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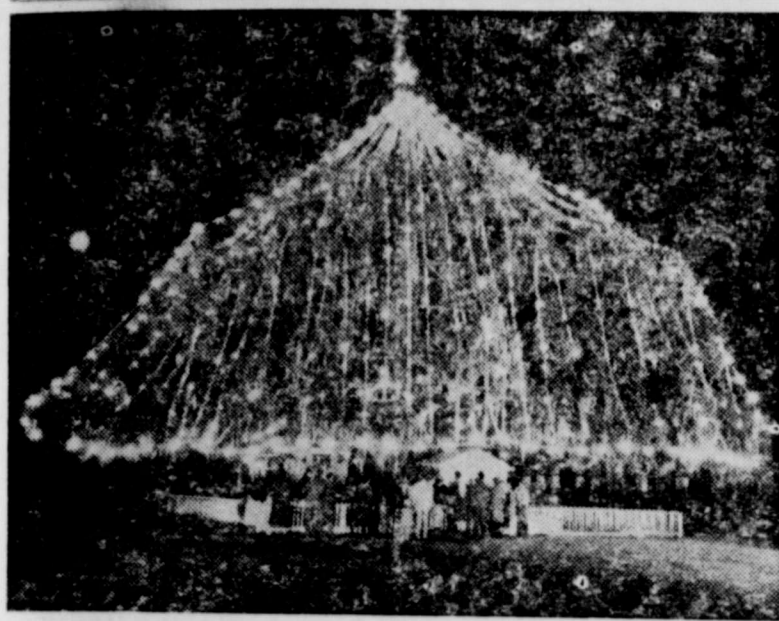
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SHINING TREE . . . If you think trimming the family tree is a big task, how would you like to tackle a 300-year-old live oak tree? The beautiful tree shown above, was decorated for Christmas at Wilmington, N. C. The majestic tree rises to a height of 55 feet and has a limb spread of 110 feet. It took some 5,000 multi-colored light bulbs to get the glistening effect shown above.

Lt. Lynn Glass, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Glass, is now home on leave until January 5. Then he will leave for a tour of duty in North Africa, serving with the U. S. Army Engineering Corps.

Home from Abilene Christian College, Abilene for the holidays are Don McDonald, LeRuth Reed and Alfred Chaple.

NO PAPER NEXT WEEK

As is our custom and the custom of many weekly newspapers we will not publish a paper next week—Christmas week. The next issue of the News-Record will be out on January 5.

We take the week to clean up the shop, get caught up on job printing, send out the expiration notices on the paper, and rest one week from having to get out the paper.

To Reno, Nevada Visiting
Mr. and Mrs. Marion Hays and Ann and Helen left Tuesday for Reno, Nevada where they will visit their two sons, a daughter and their families for Christmas. They will visit Mr. and Mrs. Jack Norris, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hays and Mr. and Mrs. Keelon Hays.

Brenda Augustine, sophomore at the University of Houston, is home for the holidays.

Danny Stewart is home from A&M for the Christmas holidays.

Gwen Dell Dearen, daughter of the Delbert Dearens, fell and broke an ankle bone last week.

The Chesley McDonalds are to spend Christmas in Baytown with Chesley's parents.

Sterling Boys Win Christoval Tourney

The Sterling Eagles boys basketballers took the boys' crown at the Christoval Invitation Tournament last week. The locals won the final game by beating the host team, Christoval 55-44.

The Wall girls won the feminine title by defeating Robert Lee in the finals 31-26.

The boys alltournament team included Bill Coleman and Jerry Payne of Sterling City. Bill Coleman scored 17 and Jerry Payne and Billy Blair had 12 each in leading Sterling to the boys title.

The Eagles had won games over Water Valley and Lake View B teams to advance to the title. The Sterling girls lost both their games, to Water Valley and the Winters B girls.

Bob Brown Buried Wednesday

Robert (Bob) Brown, 83, was buried here Wednesday afternoon. Bob, long-time feed dealer here, died in the Sterling County Hospital, Tuesday morning about 10:30. He had been ill with cancer for some time. He was a resident here for 60 years.

The funeral services were held at the First Methodist Church at 3 p.m. and burial followed in the City Cemetery with Lowe Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Brown was born Dec. 25, 1877 in Hamilton County. Pallbearers were George Garner, Billy Vern Davis, H. L. Hildebrand, Files Brown, Eff Davis and J. L. Blank.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Glenora Lane of Odessa, a son, Vance Brown of Odessa, three sisters, Mrs. Julia Thompson and Mrs. Ethel Livingston, both of Mangum, Okla., and Mrs. Emilie McCullum of Galveston, and one grandchild.

Open House Honors Mrs. D. C. Durham

Mrs. D. C. Durham, now Sterling County's oldest citizen, was honored on her 90th birthday Sunday with open house at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Morgan.

Hosts and hostesses were her children. The late D. C. Durham and his wife were pioneers to this county in 1897 from Coleman. An educator, Prof. Durham served as superintendent of schools for almost a decade and later served the county as tax assessor, treasurer, and then county and district clerk.

He also established an abstract and insurance business and with R.L. Lowe established the Lowe and Durham Hardware Co., now Lowe Hardware and Furniture. Mr. Durham died in 1948.

Mrs. Durham was born Annie Frances Kennedy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Dickson Kennedy on Dec. 17, 1871 at Salado in Bell County. The family moved to Coleman County in 1884.

She married Will Guffey in 1889. She was left with two small children upon his death in 1892. She wed D. C. Durham in 1895 and they celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in Sterling City on Sept. 28, 1945.

Mr. and Mrs. Durham were charter members of Sterling City's First Baptist Church and he served as the first superintendent for 30 years. Mrs. Durham served many years as a class teacher in Sunday School and sang in the choir. She was also president of the Womans Missionary Society and is still a member.

Presently she is treasurer of her T.E.L. Sunday School class and rarely misses church services unless health or weather prevent.

"I still try to sing a little," she says, "but now I sometimes detect a little crack in my voice."

Until a year ago she drove her car to visit the sick and "old folks", as she says.

She was a charter member of the Wimodausis Study Club and has always been active in community and charity affairs.

Mrs. Durham is the mother of ten children, two of whom died in infancy. Her other children were hosts and hostesses last Sunday. They are Mrs. W. B. Day of DeLeon, W. W. Durham, Mrs. Roy Morgan and Worth B. Durham of Sterling City. Mrs. Clyde H. Davis and Durham K. Durham of San Angelo, Harold H. Durham of Eastland and Mrs. Charles J. Harris of Amarillo.

She has 17 grandchildren, 26 great grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren. During the afternoon over 200 friends from Sterling and the surrounding area called to pay respects to Mrs. Durham.

Mrs. Worth B. Durham went to Amarillo last weekend to be with her father who underwent surgery.

Tech Play in January
Texas Tech students in the speech department are presenting Peter Shaffer's "Five Finger Exercise" at Lubbock in January. It will be presented at 8:15 on the nights of Jan. 25-27 and 29-31 in the Tech Speech Auditorium.

Clauda Collins of Sterling is to help at the box office.

Texas Christian University students, Jackie and Elizabeth Cole and Jim Davis are home for Christmas.

Texas Tech students home for the holidays include Clauda Collins, Kent and Jeannine Jones and Jodie Emery.

Wilbur Stone, student in Texas Western at El Paso, is to go to Hialeah, Florida to visit his sister, Ginger, and her uncle and aunt. Bill Young of Levelland was to accompany him to Florida.

Lions Hold Annual Christmas Auction

The Sterling City Lions Club held the annual Christmas auction at the Wednesday luncheon. The members brought toys which were auctioned off to the highest bidder and then left for the club Christmas baskets that will be distributed later this week. Eddie Braswell, tail twister of the club, acted as auctioneer.

President Arthur Barlemann appointed a committee to distribute the baskets. He named R. P. Brown, H. A. Chapple, John Gibbs, Sherman Conner, and Stanley Horwood.

Barlemann named a committee to work on the lake deal for Sterling. Named were Jim Coleman, Jeff Davis, Alvie Cole, Earl Bailey, Jack Douthit, members and H. L. Hildebrand, Roy Foster and Riley King.

Guests at the luncheon were Bill McRee, Larry Moore and Jake Martin. The door prize went to Hal Knight.

No Meeting Next Week

As next week is Christmas week, no meeting will be held as is the yearly custom. The next meeting of the club is to be on January 3.

Bridge Club Has Christmas Party

The local Tuesday Bridge Club held the annual Christmas party in the home of Mrs. James McEntire this week. A turkey dinner was served, along with egg nog. Gifts were exchanged and bridge was played.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Temp Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Lowe, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hildebrand, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Fowler McEntire, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cope, Mr. and Mrs. David Glass and Mrs. Ray Lane.

P.T.A. MONDAY NIGHT

A large crowd attended the P.T.A. meeting here Monday evening in the school auditorium. The Rev. John Gibbs, pastor of the First Methodist Church spoke on effective learning for moral and spiritual values. The devotional was given by C. L. King.

Mrs. Dayton Barrett's second graders and Mrs. C. L. King's first graders put on a Christmas play for entertainment.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Patients in the Sterling County Hospital on Thursday morning of this week included—

O. T. Jones
Mrs. E. B. Butler
Janice Stewart
Mrs. Wren Rose
Mrs. R. P. Brown
Mrs. E. A. Medart
Mrs. Jack Muston
Dismissals since Thursday morning of last week include:
Mrs. Ella Ligon
Corwin Collins
H. A. Williams
Tommie Martinez
Robert Brown, deceased
Luther Hallmark
Mrs. Belle Richardson, deceased

Breaks Hip in Fall

Mrs. E. B. Butler fell in the local post office early this week. She suffered a broken or fractured hip and pelvis.

Mrs. Butler was taken to the St. Johns Hospital in San Angelo by the Lowe ambulance. After getting treatment she returned to the Sterling County Hospital on Thursday.

JUAN ARIZOLA DIES

Juan Jose Arizola, 29, died here Wednesday about noon at the home of a sister, Mrs. Luis Bernal. The body was taken to Fredreicksburg for burial there Friday.

Big Christmas Gifts May Be Taxable

Although it may come as a surprise to some people, the federal government levies a tax which applies to gifts made by one person to another. However, the government has no desire to tax ordinary birthday and Christmas gifts. The law therefore excludes from taxable gifts the first \$3,000 given to each individual in each calendar year.

The law allows each giver an over-all exemption of \$30,000 before the tax applies. In addition, gifts to the church, community chest, and similar charitable organizations are excluded from taxation.

The tax applies whether the gift is of money or of property. If it is of property, the tax is computed on the fair market value of the property at the date of the gift.

The purpose of many gifts is to remove the property from the taxable estate of the giver at the time of his death. This may or may not be accomplished. The federal law provides that transfers made within three years before date of death shall be deemed to have been made in contemplation of death and shall be taxable in the estate of the one who dies.

It may be advisable to "look a gift horse in the mouth", for the gift may cost the one who receives the gift in income taxes as well as the giver in gift taxes.

For income tax purposes the cost basis of property received by the gift is the cost to the giver, plus the amount of any gift tax paid with respect to the gift. The other rule is that in case of property received by inheritance, the cost basis is the fair market value at the date of the decedent's death.

An example will show you the application of the rules. Suppose a farmer acquired his land in the early days at a cost of \$10,000. This property is now worth \$50,000. The farmer wishes to retire and to escape estate taxes, so he gives the farm to his daughter.

Although he may pay federal gift taxes totaling several thousand dollars, when the daughter decides to sell the farm for its \$50,000 value, she still has a pay income tax on about \$40,000 profit (the difference between the sales price and her father's cost of \$10,000, less the amount of any gift tax he may have paid).

On the other hand, if the farmer had not given the farm to his daughter, but had left it to her under his will, he would have saved the gift tax. The daughter would have taken the property at a cost basis of \$50,000, so upon the sale she would not have had to pay any income tax.

Of course, there would have been some estate tax and administration expenses in the father's estate, but that would have been much less than the total gift and income taxes which resulted from the gift. However, depending upon individual and particular circumstances, there may be occasions when a gift is advisable. Your lawyer can advise you on this.

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Girl Scouts and the Brownies Carol

The Brownies and Girl Scouts of Sterling City celebrated the holiday season by caroling last Friday night, Dec. 15. After the singing trip, with stops all over town, they returned to the Legion Hut for games, refreshments and an all night "pallet party." Breakfast was served Saturday morning before beds were rolled and all departed to home.

Girls attending were Linda Turner, Connie Legg, Mary Sue Gartrell, Erlinda Arispe, Nola Stewart, Sally Mixon, Katherine Noble, Sharon Curington, Elsa Gaitan, Glenda Duncan, Michol McCleave, Donna Noble, Deanna Beard, Juanita Munoz, Karen Curington, Helen Coronado, Terry Seago, Charlotte Foster, Susan Mixon, Amy White and Linda Munoz.

Adult leaders and assistants present were Mrs. T.L. White, Jr., Mrs. Bill Gartrell, Mrs. Burl Harrol and Mrs. H. M. Duncan.

Elsa Gaitan won a prize for "best behaved" and Connie Legg won a prize for "pill of the party." Gifts were given to girls attending.

Entertains with Party in Big Spring

Mrs. Claude Collins was hostess at a dinner bridge party Thursday night of last week when she entertained at the Big Spring Country Club. 60 guests were present, including Mrs. C. K. Markham of Kentucky.

At the bridge session, Mrs. Dean Johnson of Abilene was high for the women; William Foster was high man; Mrs. Ray Hendricks was low for the women; Oliver Jones was low for the men; and the door prize went to Temp Foster.

Assisting Mrs. Collins at the party were Mrs. Lee Augustine, Mrs. Lester Foster, Mrs. Wm. J. Swann and Mrs. Nick Reed.

From Sul Ross College, Alpine for the Christmas holidays are Jack and Thelbert Asbill, Sam Nance, Paul Harzke, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Foster and Marvin Foster.

Home from San Angelo College for the holidays are Carolyn Payne, Bill Davis, Tony Allen, Wayne Drennan and Barbara Clark.

FOUND—25 years ago on Jan. 2, 1937 a yellow gold wedding ring with six tiny chipped diamonds. From the time it was put on my finger until today it has brought me more happiness than the donor can imagine. It is absolutely enchanted.

If the donor will call or come by I will try to give him a detailed account of all this happiness it has brought me.

AROUND THE COUNTY
by
ARTHUR BARLEMANN, JR. COUNTY AGENT

The Sterling County Screw-worm Eradication fund is increasing right along according to H.L. Hildebrand, secretary treasurer of the group. As of December 19, there was \$5,409.80 in the fund. This amount represented the contributions of 39 operators in Sterling County.

It was announced by the state foundation that funds to be used for fighting and eradicating screwworms in Texas will be called for by the state group on February 1, 1962 in order that work can be started on the program in the summer of 1962.

It was also announced last week by the Southwest Animal Health Foundation, the state group responsible for the program, that five more members for the state group had been appointed, bringing the number to ten. Among those appointed and accepting were Alvie Cole of Sterling County. Final membership will be fifteen.

The state group also announced that on December 7, 1957 Texas counties had organized committees working on the drive. More counties are setting up local organizations daily according to G.C. Scruggs, acting president.

The Odessa stock show—The Sand Hills Hereford and Quarter Horse Show and the official title—starts the spring show season off on January 1. On that date, judging of fat lambs, breeding Rambouillet sheep, and the 4-H and FFA Quarter Horse classes will take place.

The Junior Quarter Horse show is the first of its kind. Other shows are planning classes for the youngsters this year or in the near future.

Sterling County 4-H club members who have entries in the Odessa show are Barbara, David, and Drew Durham in the Rambouillet sheep show.

Diana Cole has an entry in the Junior division of the Quarter Horse Show.

Judging in the Quarter Horse show begins at 8:00 A.M. Monday, January 1. Fat lambs and Rambouillets are scheduled for 10:00 A.M.

Other Sterling County entrants in the Odessa show are L.F. and Clinton Hodges. They will show in the Rambouillet division Monday.

Now is a good time to spray your fruit and nut trees for the control of San Jose scale and phylloxera. Both these diseases are easily controlled by a dormant oil spray. Dormant oil sprays must be used during the winter months when the trees are dormant as the oil will burn the leaves or buds of the trees.

Recommendations call for the use of three and one-half gallons of a 97 per cent oil emulsion in 100 gallons of water. The oil emulsion spray is available at most nursery supply houses or it can be mixed up at home; however it is easier to buy the prepared spray. Now that all leaves have been knocked off the trees by the hard freezes, it is possible to use the oil spray. It can be used anytime during December, January, or February ordinarily.

San Jose scale is a tiny scale-like insect that attacks fruit and nut trees. The infestations become heavy enough that the trees are killed. Phylloxera is a gall-producing insect that attacks trees. Inside the galls are tiny aphids or louse-like insects that suck the sap from the trees which results in a run-down condition and finally death of the tree.

This is the last column before Christmas so I would like to take this opportunity of wishing each and every reader a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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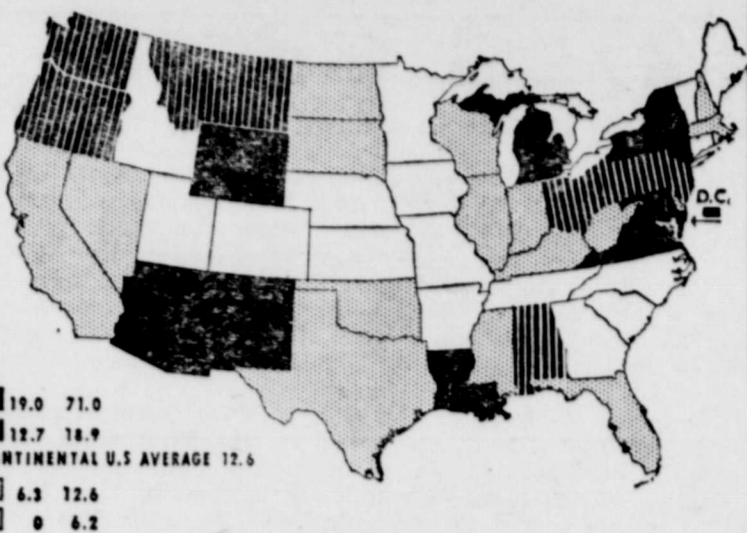
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Top-Ranking 4-H'ers Win '61 Awards for Best Projects

A trio of Texas teenagers who were tops at state fair in 4-H projects, will compete for national honors at the 40th National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, Nov. 26-30. A fourth has won a scholarship.



Nancy Pyeatt Gale Lamascus R. Baumgardner Helen Diers

Nancy Pyeatt, 18, Gale Lamascus, Rudolph Baumgardner, and Helen Diers, all 17, were winners in clothing, dairy, electric, and health programs respectively, according to the Cooperative Extension Service.

Nancy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Loy Pyeatt, of Tullia, is a student at Lubbock Christian College. During 10 years in 4-H clothing work she made over 80 garments. Those she modeled won six blue ribbons in Swisher county dress revues. She says her project helped her plan her well-coordinated college wardrobe.

Miss Pyeatt has been local club president, held county offices three terms and was a junior leader for six years. Her Chicago trip is awarded by Coats & Clark Inc.

Gale is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Lamascus of Schulenburg. Her dairy herd of eight won her grand championships at the San Antonio Livestock Exposition. She was also first in dairy production.

Gale has been president of Fayette county's junior dairy club and secretary of the county council. She is a junior member of the American Jersey Cattle

Club, and was county rodeo queen.

The Oliver Corporation will be Gale's host in Chicago.

Young Baumgardner, son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Baumgardner, of Plainview, is a high school senior. He completed 109 jobs in the electric project including rewiring the house and barn, replacing conduits, raising lines, installing outlets and repairing tools and appliances.

Baumgardner also built a transistor radio and installed a circuit breaker panel in the community building.

Westinghouse Educational Foundation is the donor of Rudolph's trip.

Helen, valedictorian of her high school class, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Diers, of Old Glory. Recognized as the top junior leader in health she was named assistant school health nurse.

She will be presented with a \$150 college scholarship from Eli Lilly and Company.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS



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But, particularly at Christmastime is the message of the bells most effective. From the echoing ring of the bell in a small mission church to the resounding peal that comes forth from massive cathedral towers, the bells tell of joy and peace and call to the world to come and adore.

Older themselves than the story they tell at Christmas, bells were first used to sound the alarm in fire or tumult. Rich burghers jealously guarded their bells and used them to rally their followers when danger threatened.

Bishop Paulinus of Nola in southern Italy is commonly credited with introducing the first church bells about 431 A. D., when he put up a huge copper kettle on the roof of his church and struck it with a hammer. Before that, a crier had announced services by running through the streets ringing a hand bell.

From Italy, the idea spread to France and thence to England. Not until the 11th Century did bells appear in the towers of German and Swiss churches. Competition among bell casters developed the bells in size, quality of tone and beauty. A founder had to be a metalurgist, designer and musician as well. The race for bigger and better bells went on until a bell was cast in Russia that proved to be too heavy for machinery to lift into place.

Cast in 1773, in Moscow, it is the Csar Kolokol." It weighs 180 tons, measures 20 feet in height, 22 feet in diameter and is 23 inches thick. Many costly but futile attempts were made to hoist it into place. China, the mother of many things cast the first great bell in 1408. Weighing 53 tons, it hangs in the Big Bell Temple in Peking. Another large bell, 15 tons, is suspended in the ancient Buddhist temple in Japan. The chimes of St. Michael's in Charleston, S. C., are probably the most traveled bells, having crossed the Atlantic seven times because of ownership changes or to be recast. They last crossed the Atlantic in 1865.

HOW TO SAY



As Christmas is the most universally celebrated of all world holidays, so is the expression "Merry Christmas" the most universal of all greetings. Here is an interesting game based upon this Yuletide salutation. See if you can match the greeting at left with the proper language on the right:

- 1. Buon Natale! Hawaiian
- 2. Glad Julen! Japanese
- 3. Tin Hao Nian! Italian
- 4. Chrystovjna! Chinese
- 5. Feliz Natal! Greek
- 6. Joyeux Noel! Portuguese
- 7. Kinge Shinnen! Swedish
- 8. Mele Kalikimaka! French

ANSWERS: 1. Italian; 2. Swedish; 3. Chinese; 4. Greek; 5. Portuguese; 6. French; 7. Japanese; 8. Hawaiian.



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Club Stock Show Set for January 15

The Sterling County Livestock Show will be held Jan. 15, 1962 at the County Show barn in Sterling City.

Final plans for the show were made at a meeting of the sponsoring organization, Sterling County Livestock Association.

Classes this year will include light and heavy weight cross-bed lambs, light and heavy weight finewool lambs, pens of three in each division, and classes for registered Rambouillet ewe and in both the fat lamb divisions and the breeding sheep division.

The judging will start at approximately 9:00 a.m. and the auction sale of lambs will start at approximately 2:00 p.m.

Show superintendent this year is I.W. Terry, Billy Ralph Bynum is the assistant superintendent.

Worth Durham is the sales clerk, assisted by Eddy Braswell. Riley King is the Auctioneer for the sale.

The concession stand will be operated by mothers of club members, and proceeds will go to the 4-H Club and FFA Chapter, the Methodist ladies will serve the dinner.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

All Games Start at 6:30 p.m.

- January 2. Wall Boys and Girls at Sterling
- Jan. 4, 5, 6. Boys at Big Lake Tournament
- *Jan. 9. Sands Boys and Girls at Sterling
- *Jan. 12. Boys and Girls at Garden City
- Jan. 18, 19, 20 Boys at Ozona Tournament
- *Jan. 23. Boys & Girls at Forsan
- *Jan. 26. Boys & Girls at Sands
- *Jan. 30. Garden City Boys & Girls at Sterling
- *Feb. 6. Boys and Girls at Water Valley
- *Feb. 9. Forsan Boys & Girls at Sterling
- Feb. 15. Girls A&B at Mertzon.

Some Benefits for Workers Who Continue to Work After Retirement Age

Just the other day, a local man read an article saying all working people 65 or over who have not applied for their social security benefits should check into it. Well, he thought he was making too much money to collect his old-age insurance benefits. He's earning about \$2200.00 a year as a

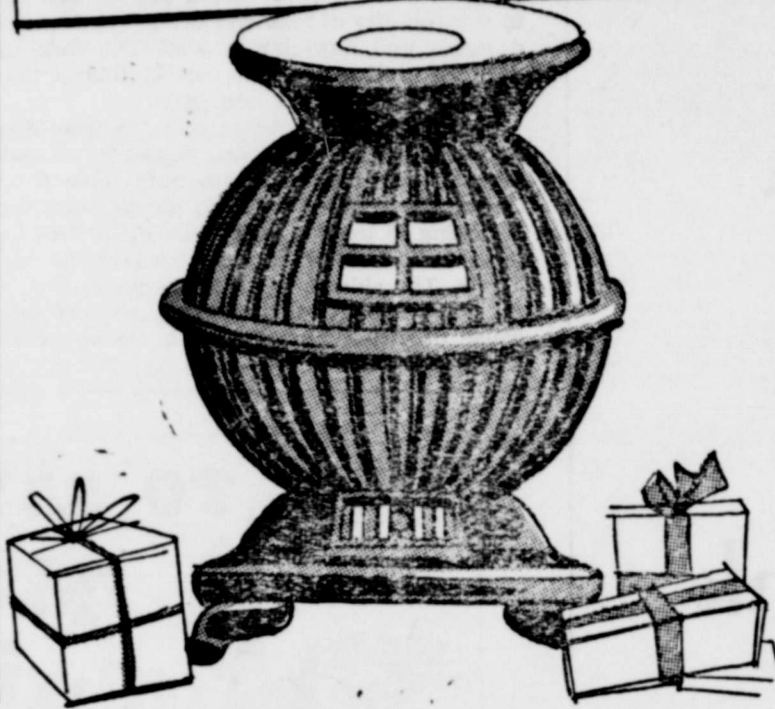
maintenance man.

He is glad he followed the advice in that article because he found that some social security benefits will be payable to him for 1961, even though he continues to work. You see, a worker doesn't have to retire completely in order to get benefits. Under a law passed just last summer, a worker earning over \$1200 a year has only \$1 in benefits withheld for each \$2 he earns between \$1200 and \$1700. Then, for each \$1 he earns over \$1700, an additional \$1 is withheld.

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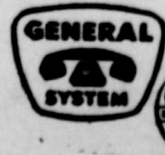
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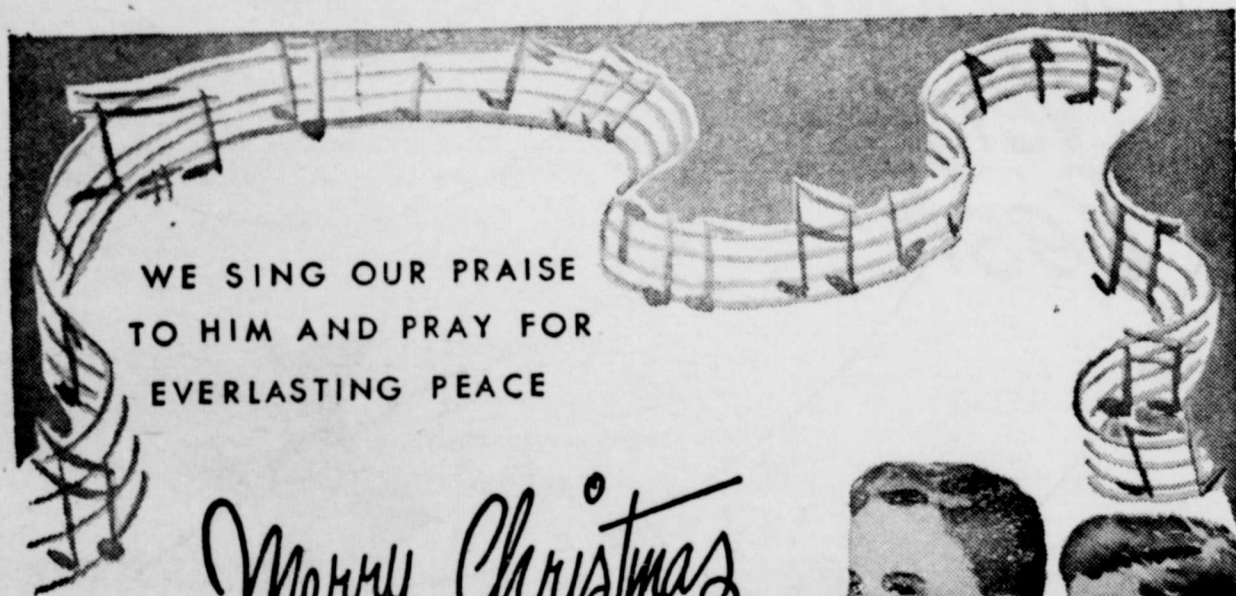


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His mission is usually the same—but not his looks and his name—that's the Story of Santa around the world.

Santa as we know him in America today pretty well follows the description given by Clement Moore in his famous poem, "The Visit From Saint Nicholas." This truly familiar symbol of Christmas was a somewhat angular figure before Moore gave him a sleigh, twinkling eyes, cheeks like roses, nose like a cherry and a round little belly.

The idea of Santa Claus began American mail carriers: British with the Dutch and their "Santa children prepare their Christmas Klass," a contraction from St. lists and throw them into the Nicholas, legendary Bishop of back of the fire. Supposedly, if Myra and the patron saint of the paper goes up the chimney, children. Children in Holland "Father Christmas" will bring may refer to either "Sinterklass" all of the gifts; if the paper or "Saint Nickolas. Early set- burns, the writer must prepare tlers in America adopted the leg- another list and try again. endary figure and changed the Czechoslovakian children antic- name from "Saint Kicolous" ipate the arrival of "kezisek" to Santa Kalouf" to "Santa Claus."

Pere Noel

In France, it is "Pere Noel" who visits the children, and he is usually pictured on a mule. British children, just as American, write letters to the Christmas giver of gifts, and prepare lists of the things they would like to receive. But, they direct their missives to "Father Christmas" and follow a tradition which might find favor with

of Christmas nearly everywhere. In New Russia, "Father Frost" is the equivalent of Santa, but old Russians still call him "Baboushka." In Germany, Santa may be either "Kris Kringle," "Christkindl," or "Kritking." Italian children, who must wait until Jan. 5, the Eve of Epiphany, anticipate the arrival of "La Befana."

But, whether it's the Norwegian "Julenisse" or the Chinese "Lan Khoony-Khoong" (nice old father)



What happens the day after Christmas? Is the spirit of Christmas "spent" in lavish preparation and anticipation, enjoyed but briefly, then thrown aside with the wrapping paper and colored ribbon?

What happens the day after Christmas? Does one breathe a deep sigh and inwardly say, "I'm glad that it's over for another year"?

If this happens, then certainly we are not "keeping the Christmas." The Spirit of Christmas is superficial. Our Christmas symbols and ornaments, many of them pagan in their origin, are only decorative trappings for creating a festive spirit.

It Is Real

But Christmas is not superficial. Christmas is REAL. And so must observance of the holiday be REAL and not the mere matter of observing customs and practices as a matter of conformity.

The glitter is gone from evergreens and holly wreaths on the day after Christmas. The tree suddenly becomes old and drops its needles upon the carpet. No longer does the bright figure of Santa adorn the mantle or doorway; it simply hangs there, bereft of glamour and stirring little anticipation.

It Has Meaning

Unless we have "kept the Christmas" in preparations for, and observance of Christmas Day, then we have observed a meaningless holiday.

This year, let us keep the Christmas in a spirit that will keep the profound meaning of the holiday deep in our hearts for the remainder of the days after Christmas.

As we observe the Christmas, we must find time to meditate upon the great reality—that upon this day Christ was born, bringing to all mankind the promise of eternal salvation. This is the message of Christmas and the secret to the successful keeping of Christmas forever and ever.

ALL OF THE BEST TO YOU IN THIS JOYOUS SEASON



ELROY BUTLER'S TEXACO STATION

Carols Traditional On Beacon Hill

Every Christmas Eve the lights of Boston's Beacon Hill shine more brightly as happy carolers sing out their Yuletide greetings.

The custom of Beacon Hill carols was originated by Frederick W. Briggs, in 1895, after spending a merry and musical evening in an English town. In recent years some 150,000 Christmas celebrators have joined the wandering minstrels in celebrating Joyous Yuletide on the Hill.

From the brilliantly illuminated State House to Charles Street, from aristocratic Beacon Street right over the Hill into the slum districts, old houses beam holiday tidings. Carolers stream up and down the Hill, past mansion fronts which are gaily illuminated with vari-colored lights. At Louisburg Square, guests toast each other with eggnog and the evening rings with the sounds of good fellowship and the echo of happy Yuletide greetings.

First Community Tree At Christmas Was Held In City of Cleveland

THE COMMUNITY Christmas tree idea was born in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1912. The community raised funds to defray the cost of the tree and celebrations through the sale of preferred stock in "Cleveland, the city of good will (unlimited), incorporated under the laws of the commonwealth of good cheer."

Holders of preferred stock were entitled to "dividends payable daily in the form of happy voices of robust children, the contented faces of friendly fellow citizens and the advancement of the city of good will."

Sale of stock was pushed everywhere, the most unique place being the Cleveland stock exchange where the stock was listed at the head of other securities. The sale brought \$12,000, which purchased Christmas cheer for 13,000 citizens, as well as the first community Christmas for the city.

Nazareth: After Centuries, The Chosen City Is Growing Modern

The advent of modern conveniences is gradually making a vast change in the homeplace of Jesus. Nazareth, scene of many miracles, has witnessed a new one—water, in plentiful supply.

Since long before the time of Christ, Nazarene women had to carry water in earthen jugs. Now, such sources as the famed "Fountain of Our Lady Mary" will be needed only as shrines recalling the city's historic past.

The water for the most predominantly Arab city in Israel is piped in from a Jewish farm settlement in the Valley of Esdraelon. The 12-inch pipe carries it to a summit overlooking Nazareth where a junction with municipal pipelines allows distribution throughout the city.

Nazareth, the chosen city and one of Christendom's holiest places, was once so insignificant that the term "Nazarene" was applied to Jesus Christ in derision. And, long before the birth of Christ, the city was the target of a variety of invaders.

In the Christian era alone, Nazareth has been conquered many times. The city was wrecked by Saladin in the Christian-Moslem wars of the Middle Ages. In the same period the Christian population was massacred by Bibars, the Egyptian sultan and general. Some of the historic churches have been razed and rebuilt as many as three times.

Less than five miles away was the once thriving city of Sepphoris where the Romans put down a desperate revolt of the Jews led by Judas the Galilean when Jesus was a boy. Herod Antipas, son of Herod the Great, rebuilt Sepphoris, and there is speculation that the young Carpenter may have aided in the reconstruction.

SANTA at Turner's

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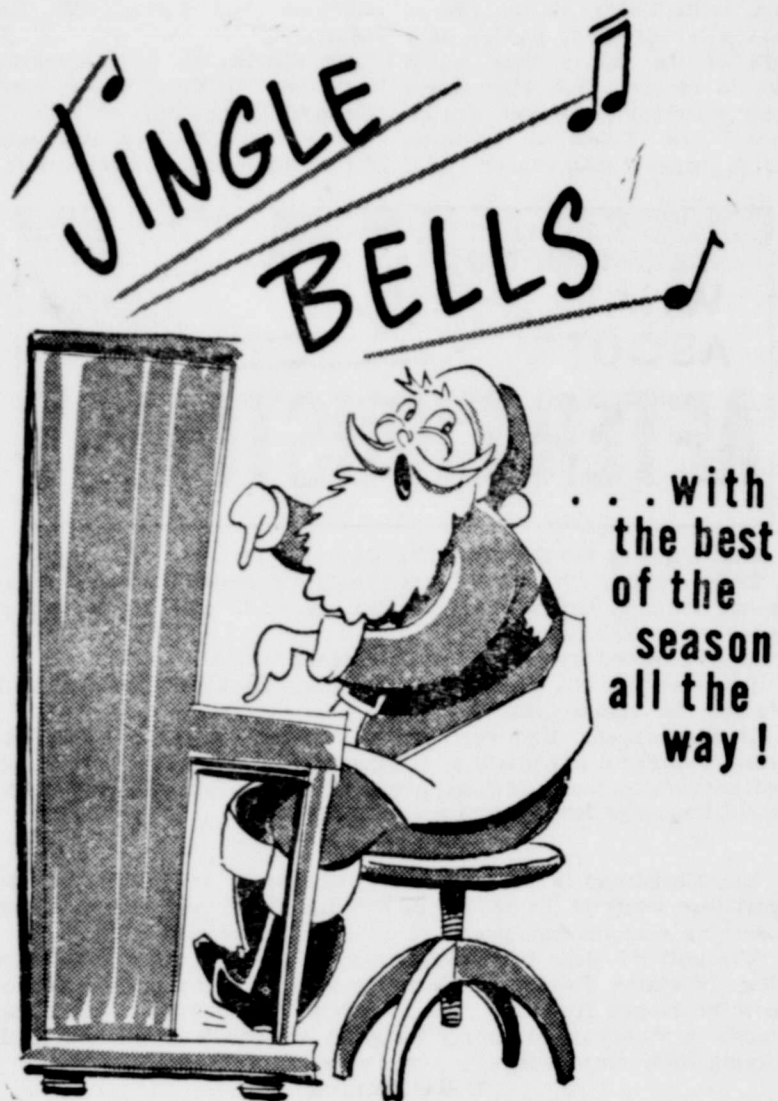
Bring your children to Turner's and let them see and talk to Santa.
Free Favors for the Kiddies



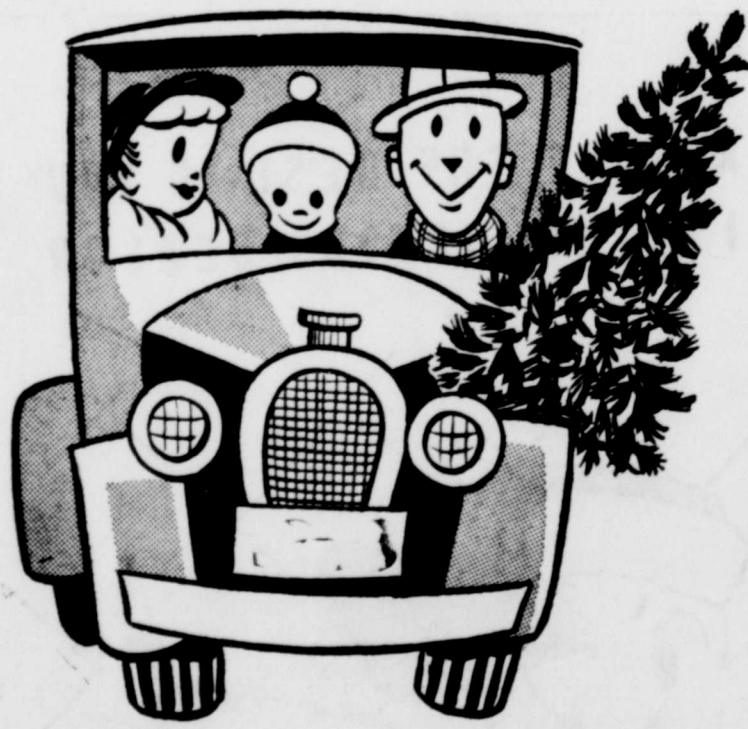
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What's Doing in the Churches

CHURCH OF CHRIST
 Marion H. Hays, Minister
 Bible school 10:00 a.m.
 Morning worship 11:00 a.m.
 Classes 6:00 p.m.
 Night Worship 7:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Mid-Week Service 7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 Sherman Conner, Pastor
 Sunday school 10:00 a.m.
 Morning worship 11:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
 Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:30 p.m.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
 John Gibbs, Pastor
 Church school 10:00 a.m.
 Morning worship 11:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 Hubert C. Travis, Minister
 Sunday school 10:00 a.m.
 Morning worship 11:00 a.m.

ST. PASCHAL BAYLON CATHOLIC CHURCH
 Fr. Bertram Tiemeyer, O.F.M., Pastor
 Sunday Mass (Oct. thru Mar.) 1:00 p.m.
 (Apr. thru Sept.) 12:15 p.m.
 Lenten Services: Way of the Cross and Filmstrips with dialogue on "The Good News of Christ" Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

How Christian Science Heals

RADIO
 San Angelo
KGKL
 Sunday 8:15 a.m.

TELEVISION
KCTV
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 San Angelo
 Sunday 10:15 p.m.

REWARD NOTICE
 A reward of \$500.00 will be paid by the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association to any person (other than law enforcement officers) giving information causing the arrest and final conviction of any person or persons found butchering or stealing any sheep or lambs or goats belonging to any Association member in good standing. When two or more persons give information, the above sum will be divided at the discretion of the Board of the Association. When two or more defendants are involved in a single crime, the total reward is limited to \$500.00, but the conviction of one defendant, even though the other defendants are acquitted, will entitle the claimant or claimants to said sum of \$500.00. All claims must be submitted within ninety (90) days following conviction. If, upon conviction, a defendant confesses other thefts, no additional reward will be paid. All decisions concerning the payment of such reward and the conditions of payment will be made by the Board of Directors of the Association.
TEXAS SHEEP & GOAT RAISERS ASSOCIATION
 In case of fire dial 8-4771.

POSTED—My ranch in Sterling County is posted according to law. No hunting or trespassing. Temp Foster

FOR SALE—1949 two-door Chevrolet with '54 motor, heater, radio; good for a lot of service. \$250.00. See Bob Ross at Mrs. D.C. Durhams.

POSTED NOTICE—The U Ranch in Sterling County is posted. No hunting or fishing, trespassers will be prosecuted. Geo. H. McEntire. U Ranch

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HOLIDAY Rates now in effect on the San Angelo and Fort Worth daily papers. Get your subscription renewed at the News-Record.

FENCE BUILDING—I will contract fence building in this area. See me at the Sterling City Lumber & Supply. Phone 8-4401. A. L. Jackson.

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Letters To Santa

From Latin first graders in Mrs. Ray Lane's room.

Sterling City, Texas
 Dec 1, 1961

Dear Santa:
 I want a football suit and a jeep.

Love
 Tony Munoz
 Sterling City, Texas
 Dec. 1, 1961

Dear Santa:
 I have a new house and my mother is sick. All I want is a jackin-the-box, and a doll.

Love
 Sylvia Martinez
 Sterling City, Texas
 Dec. 1, 1961

Dear Santa:
 I am six years old and in the first grade. For Christmas I want a space hat, candy and a BB gun.

Love
 Jessie Lujan
 Sterling City, Texas
 Dec. 1, 1961

Dear Santa:
 Wililam and I are twins we are from Mexico and are nine years old

Please bring us some candy, a jet and a BB gun
 Love
 Santos Rodriguez
 Sterling City, Texas
 Dec. 1, 1961

Dear Santa Claus:
 I am Albert Estrada. I want a motor scooter for Christmas
 I love you

Sterling City, Texas
 Dec. 1, 1961

Dear Snaat:
 I want doll that can walk and some candy

Love Elvira Ojeda
 Sterling City, Texas
 Dec. 1, 1961

Dear Santa:
 I would like to get a jet, a electric train and some candy.

Love
 Raymond Fuentez
 Sterling City, Texas
 Dec. 1, 1961

Dear Santa Claus:
 I am Raymond Rodriguez. I go to school. I am in the first grade. I want a BB gun and some candy.
 Love
 Raymond Rodriguez

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Proper Tree Cuttings Help Forests Grow

Cutting an evergreen for a Christmas tree is not a harmful practice, so don't feel guilty about it. Even the trees that are sold in market places were "harvested" as a crop to give living room to regular plantings.

Christmas trees are grown on poorer forest soils and wet bog areas where evergreens grow far too slowly to produce a lumber or pulpwood crop—thus Christmas trees are the only profitable harvest that can come off that land.

Some trees do come from top lumber areas, but these are "thinnings." In growing trees as a crop it is often necessary to thin out the smaller trees so others will have room to live and grow.

Thus it is that the "thinnings" serve a number of uses; they bring Christmas joy into the home; provide income for the forester; and serve as "life insurance" for upcoming timber crops.

Merry Christmas



Rather than Christmas Cards this year, we greet our friends with this MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The Jack Douthits

NOTICE—We will be open Sunday 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. for the convenience of our lay-away customers.

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THANK YOU

Thank you, many friends, for the lovely Christmas greetings you sent. May God bless you this Christmas season.
Mrs. D. C. Durham
Mrs. J. H. McCabe

CARD OF THANKS

We want to thank each one of our neighbors, friends and relatives for the good food, beautiful floral offerings, visits, calls and cards. We are especially thankful to the men who served as pallbearers and the ladies who so graciously served lunch; to Bro. Conner, and all who were so nice in our hour of sorrow and need at the passing of our loved one.

May God bless each one of you.
The family of Mrs. May Carper.

CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank everyone who brought food, sent flowers, and cards and visited me while I was in the hospital. I want to thank Dr. Swann and the nurses for their attention and kindness. May God bless you all.
Mrs. Ella Ligon

CARD OF THANKS

We want to express our deep appreciation and thanks to all for the thoughtful gifts of food, flowers, etc. at the passing of our beloved mother. We deeply appreciate the care and kindnesses of Dr. W. J. Swann and the hospital staff.

May God's richest blessings be with all of you.
The family of Mrs. Belle Richardson

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

To the people that read my little bog of nonsense (your time was wasted, no doubt) I am hoping that you have A nice Christmas. I hope you waste the time to keep reading my column and I will waste my time writing it.

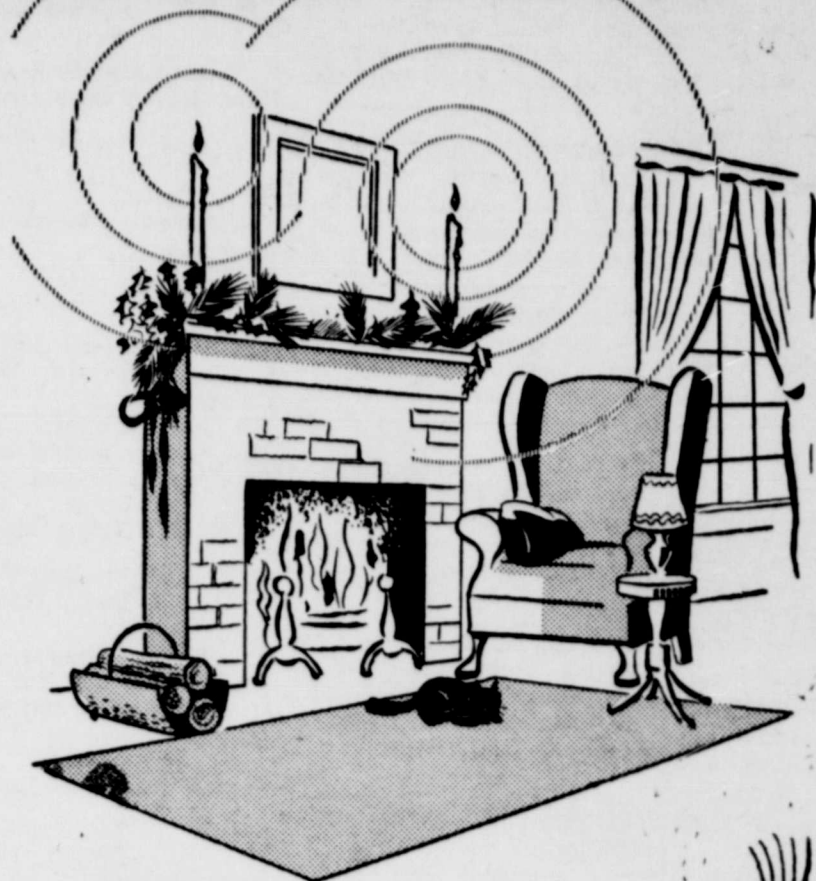
And if traveling over the Holidays drive slow and keep your nose clean.
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you a most
Merry Christmas

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...and the Herald Angels sing...

"On earth, peace, good will toward men." So the herald angels sang. May this message of joy and hope, this glorious promise, sing in all our hearts today, and may we, at the Christmas season, gain new spiritual inspiration for all the days to come.
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