

# BRISCOE COUNTY NEWS

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## One Week Left Of Dollar Offer

### AGGIE BRIEFS

By LOOE MILLER  
County Briscoe Co. Committee

Monday, December 18, farmers of the county met in their respective communities and elected community committeemen and delegates. Tuesday the Delegates met together and appointed the county committee. The following were elected in the meetings Monday:

**Quitauque Community**  
Delegate — R. B. Persons  
Alternate Delegate — H. B. Finney  
Chairman of Community — W. V. Chandler  
Committee — Dan L. Dean  
Member — H. B. Finney  
Alternate — Otis Wilson  
and Alternate — W. E. Helms

**Silverton Community**  
Delegate — H. C. Mercer  
Alternate Delegate — Stanton Crow  
Chairman of Community — Earl I. Cantwell  
Committee — Earl I. Cantwell  
Chairman — Murray May  
Member — Lee Deavenport  
Alternate — J. E. Wheelock  
and Alternate — H. T. Gill

The Delegates, assisted by the alternate Delegates appointed H. Finney Chairman of the County Committee. Earl I. Cantwell, Vice Chairman, and H. T. Gill, Member, Deavenport, First Alternate, H. B. Finney, Second Alternate. Therefore the Community Committee in the Silverton Community will be Murray May, Chairman, Lee Deavenport, Vice Chairman, and J. E. Wheelock, Member. In the Quitauque Community will be: W. V. Chandler, Chairman, Dan L. Dean, Member, and H. B. Finney, Member. The new committeemen take over the first of the year. The County Committee and all office force wishes to take this time of wishing each of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy Year.

**Cotton**  
One of the reasons why it is necessary for the American cotton producer to curtail production during the period 1910 to 1914 would be producing an average of 21 million bales of cotton per year. However, during years 1938-39, the world produced 23 million bales of cotton and two billion pounds of rayon the equivalent of 4 1/2 million bales of cotton. While the world is increasing its production of cotton by 33 per cent, or a little more than one-third, it is increasing its production of rayon by 400 per cent, or the equivalent of 4 1/2 million bales of cotton. Last year exports were a bit more than a third of what they were during the years 1910-1914. Our own production was up last year by a little. These are a few of the reasons why it is necessary for the American cotton farmer to curtail his production.

### CHRISTMAS PARTY

O. T. Bundy and Mrs. Fred Bundy entertained with a Christmas Party at Mrs. Bundy's home yesterday afternoon. Ladies of the American Auxiliary and the Quilt Club were guests. W. E. Sherman gave the "The Other Wise Man" Christmas Carols were sung. Refreshments and gift exchange were enjoyed a gift exchange close of the afternoon. Cookies and cellophane bags were served from a lovely table with Christmas appointments. The afternoon Mesdames: Northcutt, K. Agnes Allard, Jewell, Roy Henderson, True, Jim Watson, J. A. Bain, Alexander, Joyce Richards, Thomas Sr., Perry Thomas, E. Sherman, Donald Alexander, Bob Dickerson, John Arden Allard, Jim Stevenson and Zell Stevenson.

### Search For Deputy

Floyd County Hesperian and Sheriff of Floyd County are looking for the 95-year-old man which Believe-it-or-Not held about November 26. The sheriff's office relating to Sheriff Mr. Jeff Sizemore.

### December 30 Is Absolute Deadline For Bargain Offer

With time seeming to fly faster than ever before, there remains only SIX MORE DAYS in which you can subscribe for the Briscoe County News on the bargain rate of \$1.00 for a year.

Subscriptions have been coming in pretty regularly the last few days but there are several yet who are, or will be in arrears soon.

At the close of the bargain days, our list will be gone over carefully, and all who have not paid up will be removed. The personal opinion of the manager of this paper is that if it isn't worth a dollar, it isn't worth sending. If you wish to keep receiving the home paper, be sure that your subscription is paid up in full at the close of this year. We hope, however, if you do not see fit to subscribe, that you will appreciate the fact that we must remove your name from the mailing list.

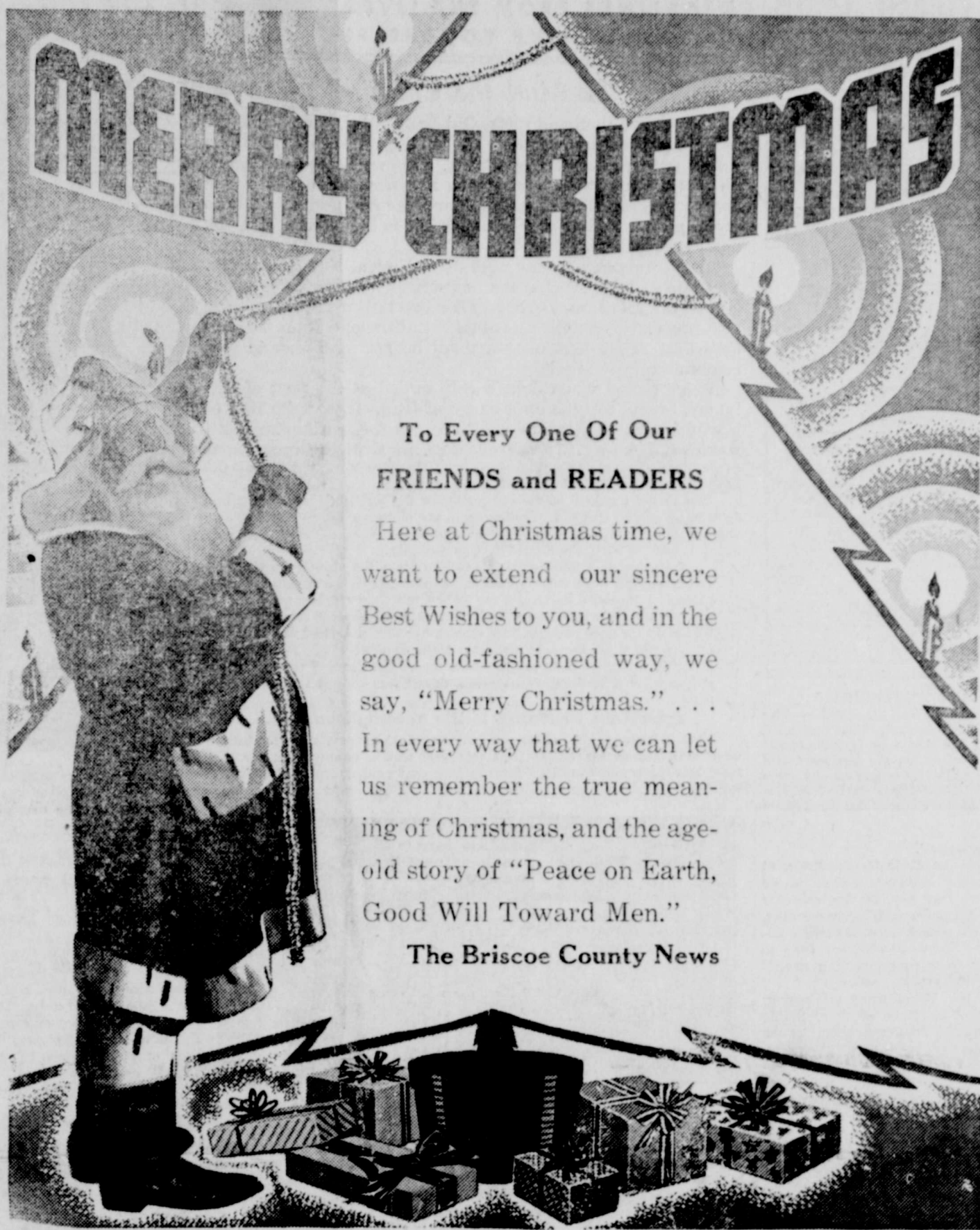
Here are those who think that the paper is worth the asking price, and have sent or brought in their subscription money:

Mrs. Albert Reid  
Barney Wilson  
T. M. Nichols  
Mrs. W. J. Hollingsworth  
Bud McMinn  
J. M. Lemons  
W. W. Douglas  
Joe Brooks  
F. A. Fitzgerald  
Mrs. Mattie Walling  
Fred Mercer  
Elton Gillis  
A. G. Stevenson  
Mrs. Jess A. Davis  
Earl Martin  
J. T. Luke  
Mrs. W. C. Roberson  
J. I. Hamilton  
Wilson Wyle  
F. C. Gatewood  
W. M. Peugh  
E. L. Strange  
John McClendon  
C. L. Dickerson  
John Thorns  
Berton Hughes  
W. E. Schott  
Elizabeth Schott  
W. B. Hughes  
Walter Watters  
Herman Pitts  
T. L. Anderson  
Mrs. W. A. Stephens  
Fulton Gregg  
R. L. Carter  
Bill Bryant  
W. H. Steele  
J. C. Smylie  
Mrs. J. B. Porter  
R. Seay  
E. L. Gardner  
F. A. Fisch  
H. T. Gill  
W. L. Woods  
R. M. Hill  
Jesse B. Leverett  
H. L. O. Riddell  
Mrs. Ben Garvin  
Elmer Pietzsch  
H. P. Richards  
Sid Richards  
Mrs. J. B. Garrison  
Jeff Simpson  
B. P. Harrison  
J. R. Foust  
Mrs. Bill Shives  
Boyd Bingham  
R. F. Stevenson  
Dee Reid  
Troy Burson  
W. W. Martin  
W. T. Davis

We want to thank you every one for your loyalty to the Briscoe County News. We wish you a very Merry Christmas, and hope that 1940 brings you happiness and prosperity. And by the way, wouldn't the home paper make a fine Xmas gift?—R. H.

**Court Reporter Killed**  
Jonathan Henry Cross, 38, was killed Friday, December 8, when his auto crashed into a freight train northwest of Amarillo. It is thought that he was drowsing at the wheel when the accident occurred. He was court reporter for the 84th Judicial Court, according to the Panhandle Herald.

**First Political Announcement**  
The Lockney Beacon printed the first Political Announcement for 1940 last week. The candidate is N. E. Waller, who has announced for Commissioner of Precinct 2 of Floyd County.



### To Every One Of Our FRIENDS and READERS

Here at Christmas time, we want to extend our sincere Best Wishes to you, and in the good old-fashioned way, we say, "Merry Christmas." . . . In every way that we can let us remember the true meaning of Christmas, and the age-old story of "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."

The Briscoe County News

## Letters to Santa:

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy ten years old and I am in the fourth grade. Please bring me a gun and a scabbard, and please bring my sister a doll buggy. Don't forget the other children.  
Your friend,  
Bonnie Gardner

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a sleepy eyed doll that can cry. I want a doctor and nurse set. Bring the other little boys and girls toys too.  
Yours truly,  
Willie Mae Murphy

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me some marbles and a car.  
Your friend,  
D. J. Strickland

Dear Santa:  
I am eight years old and in the third grade. Santa please bring me a doll, doll buggy and jacks and ball. And don't forget my other brother and sister. Bring me some candy, fruits and nuts. Don't forget the other boys and girls.  
With love,  
Ollie Mae Davis

Dear Santa:  
I have been a good boy all the year. Please bring me a six wheel truck, a football, and a wagon and bring my sister a doll for Christmas and bring me some fruit and candy.  
Your friend,  
Don Shelton

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a wardrobe, a ring, a pair of skates, and a color book. I guess I am asking for a lot of things this year, but I hope I get them. I am a little girl eight years old and I am in the fourth grade. I have been good all the year, and I would like to have these things. I am sure you won't forget me and please don't forget mother and daddy and all my brothers also sister and Bill.  
Your friend,  
Zonelle Gregg

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy ten years old. I am in the fourth grade. I go to Rock Creek school. I would like for you to bring me a baseball bat and some candy and nuts. And do not forget the poor boys and girls.  
Your friend,  
Kenneth Bean

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a doll and a little stove, also some fruit and nuts and candy.  
Your friend,  
Nettie Murphy

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy seven years old. I am in the second grade. I go to school at Rock Creek. Please bring me a cowboy suit, boots and spurs and a hat. I guess that will be all this year. P. S. I also want a football. Thanks.  
Your friend,  
Walter Bean

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a football, a gun and a car.  
Your friend,  
Thomas Strickland

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a good little girl. I have nursed my Granny who has been sick. Will you please bring me a bicycle for Christmas. Don't forget the poor little boys and girls.  
With love,  
Wanda Gene Harris

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am four years old. Santa please bring me a doll, doll buggy and don't forget the other boys and girls. I want some candy, fruit, and nuts.  
With love,  
Melba Fay Davis

Dear Santa:  
I am a girl 8 years old. Please bring me a doll buggy and a bicycle and candy, nuts and fruit.  
Your little friend,  
Betty Gardner

Dear Santa Claus:  
I'm a little girl five years old, and I'm writing for my little brother, too. I want some clothes for my doll, and a little doll house filled with furniture. Boyd wants a little tractor and equipment, and some little cars if it isn't asking for too much, each of us would enjoy a rocking chair. Fill our socks with candy, fruit and nuts, and please bring Dorn Loubel, our baby sister, a rubber doll. We're wishing you a Merry Christmas, and may everyone be happy on Christmas day.  
Your little friends,  
Mary Faith and Boyd McMurtry  
Canadian, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I have been a very good boy all the year and I want you to bring me: a football, a little car and an air gun. Please bring Paul and Joe a little car. My sister wants a little rubber doll. My mother wants a pair of shoes and my daddy wants a shirt. Thank you so much.  
Your little friend,  
Ed Shelton

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a ball, a cowboy hat, a pair of spurs, boots, and a sack of marbles. I guess that is all I want this year. I hope you will not forget me and please don't forget the other boys and girls.  
Your friend,  
Donald Bean

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a set of red rubber bricks, a northwest moun-tie suit, a typewriter and I would like to have a 25 piece tool kit and don't forget the boys and girls.  
Your friend,  
Carroll Brown

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a wagon, a football and bring my mother and father a pair of shoes. I am a little boy in the fourth grade. I have 4 little brothers. And don't forget the little boys and girls. Please bring me some candy, fruit and nuts. And bring Patt; a ball.  
With love,  
Haskell Shelton  
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PAUL S. ROGERS

**RE-ELECTED**  
The Board of Trustees of the Silverton School District met Monday night and re-elected Mr. Rogers Superintendent of our school for a period of two years. Mr. Rogers came to Silverton last July 1st, and has proven himself to be a true friend of the children in his charge, as well as to the patrons of the schools and tax payers of the district.  
Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wright spent last week end in Dallas visiting with their daughter Elva, and other relatives and friends.

## Owls Leave Tuesday On Basketball Tour

**A. and M. CLUB TO STAGE ANNUAL DANCE**  
At the Hilton Hotel in Plainview on December 26th, Ned Bradley with his 12 piece band and an excellent vocalist will play from 10 'til 2 for the South Plains A. & M. Club's annual dance. The South Plains Club is composed of all boys at A. & M. from Lubbock and the surrounding district within a 150 mile radius. Since Silverton is in this area and many boys from Silverton and the surrounding area are members of the club, the people of Silverton are cordially invited by all the club to attend its dance on the 26th—script \$1.25.

### FOLLOW THE STAR

This is the title of a picture by Peter Jensen which makes all who gaze upon it very thoughtful. Its title tells the story. There is, accurately speaking, no star in the picture, but only a beam of light in the sky and a great array of men and women with eager, upturned faces. In the front are three figures richly mounted; beside them a sturdy young peasant mother, leading her young children by the hand. Close behind are an aged couple, supporting each other as they, too, pass onward. Beside these trudges a determined youth, pushing a hand cart bearing an emaciated girl. A prisoner lifts his gaunt hand to the light of the star. Its effulgent rays rests on the brow of a cowed man, and brightens that of blind beggar. It glories a fair-haired bride and her noble husband, and rests with even purer splendor on the face of an infant in its mother's arms. Ragged beggar and buruffled aristocrat are companions. They are following the star, and they will find and worship the Christ.

This is my thought to you at this Christmas season. Though far away in body, yet very close in spirit as we near this joyous season.  
—John Thorns

### HUGE CROWD IN TOWN SATURDAY TO SEE SANTA

When Old Santa arrived in Silverton last Saturday, he found one of the largest crowds of the year assembled to greet him. Old Santa dropped in from the North Pole at the school house, where he joined the band and marched to town. The Silverton Band had just received their new band jackets of red and white, and they made a colorful parade as they marched down the street with Mr. Claus leading the way. After several band selections, the band assembled on the court house steps while Santa and his helpers handed out the treats. Almost five hundred children passed through the court house, and were given candy. One noticeable thing about Mr. Santa Claus, this year over last, was the fact that last year he was fat and had a pretty large tummy. This year, in keeping with the short crops of the past year, he was probably fifty pounds lighter, and as he left he remarked that one more lean year would make a mere shadow of him.

### FRIDAY IS LAST DAY OF GINNING HERE

Friday of this week will be the last ginning date of the season, according to Boots Bryant, mahager of the Silverton Gin Company. Monday of this week 838 bales had been turned out from the local gin, and Friday's ginning will no doubt boost the season's run to better than 850 bales. At the start of the season, Bryant estimated that 800 bales would be ginned here . . . which was a pretty fair guess. No return has been had here from the Quitauque and Gasoline gins, but the yield is less than half of last year, for the county. In 1937 Silverton ginned 3,200 bales. In 1938, the gin ran near 1,800, and 850 this year. What about 1940?  
**Trail Dust**  
Douglas Meador, editor of the Matador Tribune, has compiled a complete book of his weekly column, "Trail Dust", and it will be released from the publishers shortly after the first of the year.

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS BY JOSEPH W. LaBINE

Rumania, Pressed on All Sides, Is Key State in Balkan Crisis; Berlin Peace Talk Heard Again

(EDITOR'S NOTE)—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of this newspaper. Released by Western Newspaper Union.



RUMANIA FIGHTS OFF ENEMIES AND 'PROTECTORS'

Chances grew this month that pressure on Rumania from all sides may drive Europe's war into the Balkans, where a precarious peace still clings hopefully.

DOMESTIC: America Abroad

There may have been some marked connection between U. S. politics and the state department's abrupt decision to censure Europe's belligerents. Then, again, Ambassador Joseph P. Kennedy's return from London may have provided impetus.



JOE KENNEDY His hand was visible.

exports "shall not cause interference with the legitimate trade of its (America's) nationals."

Climaxing the renewal of vigorous U. S. action abroad was establishment of a dummy Finnish-American Trading corporation, to be financed by \$10,000,000 in credits supplied by Jesse Jones' export-import bank.

THE WARS: Rumor Hath It—

A persistent but unconfirmed report popped up simultaneously in a half-dozen European capitals to the effect that Germany was willing to call off her war with the allies, joining hands in a four-power (France, Britain, Italy and Germany) drive against the Russian juggernaut.

Arctic War

Whether they were spreading propaganda or telling the truth, the Finns did a nice job of building up world hatred of the Soviets.

It was no picnic for the Reds, at any rate. Inexperienced in arctic warfare, they died by the hundreds as the Finns loosed snow avalanches, disabled scores of tanks with uncanny firing accuracy and rode to victory on skis against their ill-prepared adversaries.

Western War

Peace talk to the contrary, the allies' war against Germany became intensified as Britain clamped down her blockade of all Nazi exports.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS: China to the Rescue

"It is for us to act in order that lit the people in distress will not be deceived."

Thus spake Norway's Karl J. Hambro, new president of the League of Nations assembly, as he ascended the rostrum to open the league's greatest show—the trial of Russia for an attempt on Finland's life.

This left the league largely a group of democracies bound together in a last futile attempt to maintain peace by collective security.

There were puppet stragglers like Lithuania and Latvia, but they could speak only in the assembly, not in the council which must vote unanimously in order to oust Russia.

SECTY. BUTLER China saved Russia.

But at Russia's darkest hour she got help from an unexpected, though logical place. In the presence of British Foreign Under-Secretary Richard Austen Butler walked Dr. Wellington Koo, scholarly ex-Chinese ambassador to the U. S., now that nation's league representative.

Saddened, Norway's Karl Hambro held a last hope that Russia might at least be induced to settle the Finnish dispute peacefully.

The French use pigs for the same purpose. Another report said Russian tanks advanced against Finnish lines running over the bodies of

Floyd Gibbons' ADVENTURERS' CLUB



HEADLINES FROM THE LIVES OF PEOPLE LIKE YOURSELF!

"Behind the Curtain"

YOU know, boys and girls, Old Lady Adventure has some funny ways of sneaking up on a guy. Sometimes she just comes up behind your back, and sometimes she drops on you from above.

That's the way it was with John Hoven, New York city. You know, John started his adventuring career as a sailor before the mast, and every sailor has half a dozen or more adventures he can tell you about.

It happened when John's ship called at the port of San Lucar, Spain, to take on a cargo of lead. It was the 18th of November when they arrived there, but the weather was still warm and balmy.

You know, I said that the old girl with the thrill bag sneaked up on John in disguise. She did. She came in the clothes customarily worn by another lady known to the world as Little Rosie Romance.

On their way into town, the sailors from the ship stopped to watch a group of Spanish señoritas and señors dancing their native dances. John says he thinks the dance they were doing was the fandango.

John Adds Fandango to His Accomplishments. Now John says he never was much of a dancer, and fandangoes were way out of his class.



On that bed lay a dead man, his throat slashed, and blood dripping all over the floor.

somehow," he says, "and then she left the platform and motioned me to come along. She led me to a little cafe—a two-story building with a lot of tables and chairs out in the open and a big canopy sloping down the side of the wall.

The girl led John into that side entrance. He followed her up the stairs and into a big room on the second floor. "She spoke to me in Spanish," John says, "but I couldn't understand a word.

John could hardly believe his luck. When the girl was gone he began to look around the room. There was an alcove at one end, with portiers drawn across it.

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John Finds Dagger in Coat Pocket.

"It was only a drop of about ten feet to the ground, and the minute I felt earth under my feet I ran like a deer for the waterfront. I reached it all out of breath, for I had never stopped running the entire distance of almost a mile.

Just another link in the chain of evidence against John. The girl had planted that knife in his pocket to make the case against him all the stronger.

Well sir, John says he knew he could trust this pal of his so he blurted out the whole story. And his shipmate laughed. "Why," he said, "you just fell for an old swindle. I thought it had been played out long ago in these parts.

150-Year-Old Paintings Found Under Wall Paper

Murals apparently painted in the days just after the American Revolution have been uncovered in an old Rockport, Mass., home.

The paintings were believed to have been executed about 150 years ago as the two flags crossed over an apple tree and a brace of doves, contained 13 stars and 10 bars each.

Most interesting of the panels is one depicting a farm worker at a well who lifts an oaken bucket to his lips as a small blue dog looks on.

CHRISTMAS CROSS-INDEXED

Table with 4 columns: COUNTRY, SANTA CLAUS, MERRY CHRISTMAS, HAPPY NEW YEAR. Rows include France, Spain, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Germany, and Holland.

Well... What's Holdin' Him Up?



All ready for bed, these inquisitive young men don't believe what most boys and girls know—that Santa Claus is not only a very busy fellow but that he usually comes when nobody's watching.

Hide Away Extra Toys So You'll Have Reserve For 'Indoor' Days Later

Most children are flooded with so many toys on Christmas day that they're positively bewildered and therefore jump from one plaything to another uncertainly.



Watch Your Weather During Christmas Day!

Remember these old superstitions about Christmas weather: If the sun shines through the apple tree on Christmas day, there will be a good crop the following year.

Thunder and lightning Christmas week means much snow the rest of the winter.

At Christmas meadows green, at Easter covered with frost.

Christmas will be happier for thousands of homeless people this year because Catherine and William Booth carried the torch of evangelism from their New Connexion church in England in 1861 and started the Salvation Army.

HOLIDAY HINTS for HOUSEWIVES

HOLIDAY cookies and cakes in which honey is used need about two weeks for ripening. They improve with age, provided, of course, they are stored in covered jars in a cool place.

Broken-Down Organ Responsible for 'Silent Night'

Stille nacht! Heilige nacht! Alles schlief; einsam wachte, Nur das traute, heilige Paar, Holder Knabe im lockigen Haar, Schlaf "in himmlischer ruh"!

It was near the Christmas season in 1812 when Franz Gruber, organist for a tiny Arnsdorf church in Austria, practiced one stormy evening in the Tyrolean church.

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Evangeline Booth, who in turn succeeded Bramwell Booth in 1934.

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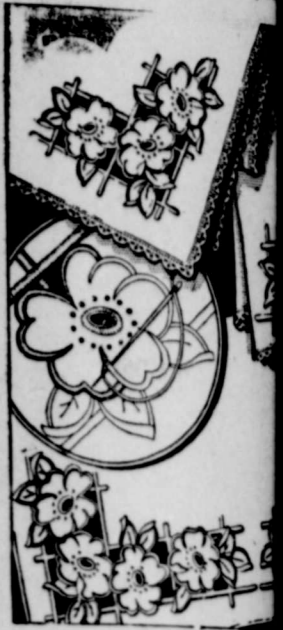
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Watch Your Kidney—Help Them Cleanse the of Harmful Body Waste

Your kidneys are constantly waste matter from the blood. Kidneys sometimes lag in their work and Nature intends to move impurities that, if retained, poison the system and upset the body machinery.

Cutwork for Linen Mark of Good Taste

JUST a touch of this need adds distinction to linen. These motifs in a color to the linen or in varied natural colors. They are just the things for the clothes, scarfs, towels and cases. So replenish your closet with these and you



Pattern 6300.

proud to show it. Pattern contains a transfer pattern motifs ranging from 2 1/2 inches to 2 1/2 by 8 inches; rials needed; color scheme.

HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONS

Read the labels on canned Many tell the number of contained in the can. Other additional useful information the contents.

About Grapefruit—A soft colored area at the stem of a grapefruit indicates decay, even in one small spot affect the flavor of the whole.

Making Muffins—Muffins be mixed just enough to all ingredients, but should stirred. Stirring develops in the flour and makes the elastic and tough.

Milk will not scorch or the pan when boiling it saucepan is rinsed with water just prior to putting milk.

Picking Lemons—Lemons have a fine-textured skin as heavy for their size are of a better quality and have juice than those that are of textured and light in weight.

Protect House Plants—of cold air or night temperatures that approach freezing has house plants. It is best to them from windows for the

Ventilate Kitchen.—The ing bad air conditions in a may cause fatigue: Not oxygen or an excess of dioxide, and the presence of monoxide, excessive moisture and excessive heat. The more than any other room requires frequent ventilation.

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# THE SILVERTON OWLET

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## Silverton Places Second In Tournament

**SNOOPING SALLY**

Say Nina, where were you and what you were doing Sunday afternoon?

Is it true that O. C. and W. L. really plan to take their Christmas vacation together? Ride or walk?

Does Vivian really have a new friend and does he walk the streets of the theatre looking for her?

Who did Sue go to Plainview for? Not really?

Can someone please tell me why Alberta looked so blue from Thursday until Saturday night?

Is it true that Johnny has let some eye catch a few glimpses of the "key girls"? Oh! Johnny, Oh! Johnny, how you can love.

Who thinks that the Owls won second place because the boys got play hands with beautiful women?

Where was Lucille Saturday night? Could it have been ---?

Who were the ads where Mr. Terry and John Edd spent an enjoyable afternoon in the Canyons Sunday night? Were you with them?

Was a certain boy in a hurry to get to Silverton Sunday night?

Where is a Santa Claus letter to Santa Claus Brown? Please bring me a great big lesson on how to dance. And a lot of love. Thanking you.  
Dot O'Hair

I know why Anita waited. Brubly taught her to be patient. Now he comes to C her and she is getting off now. Next year and please make a New Year's resolution to give me a biz.

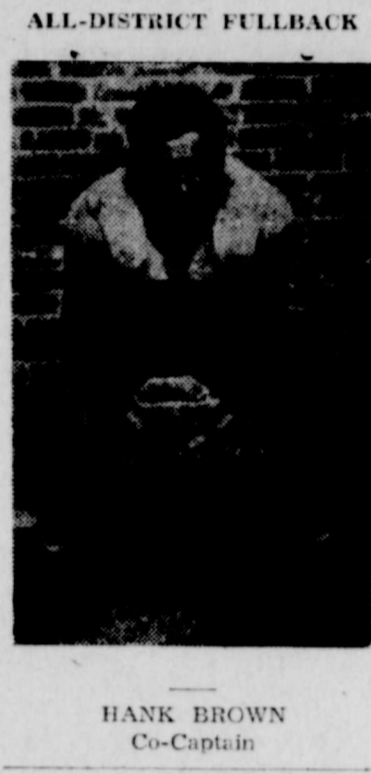
Happy Snooping and happy new year to love.

**A LETTER TO SANTA**

Silverton, Texas  
Just before Christmas  
Dear Santa Claus:

I realize that there are some beginner band members that are writing you to send them a horn for Christmas. I know one little girl that is terribly interested in getting a bass saxophone for her present this year, and another is wanting a new cornet. About the best bet for a quick entrance in the advanced band would be the present of a mellophone, Eb tenor sax, Eb alto or baritone sax, or a Bb soprano sax. But probably the most needed instrument in the entire organization is the Alto horn, either an Eb alto, Mellophone, or French horn. We now have three trombones in the Beginner group, but there is always a need for at least two more. I have heard that there is somewhere in the surrounding country-side, a certain Eb alto clarinet, that would fit in just exactly "perfect" in the Silverton High School Band. If there are any of the readers who have in their possession any used instruments, I wish they would contact me soon.

Yours for a bigger and a 'better' band,  
Don W. Terry



HANK BROWN  
Co-Captain

**ALL-DISTRICT FULLBACK**

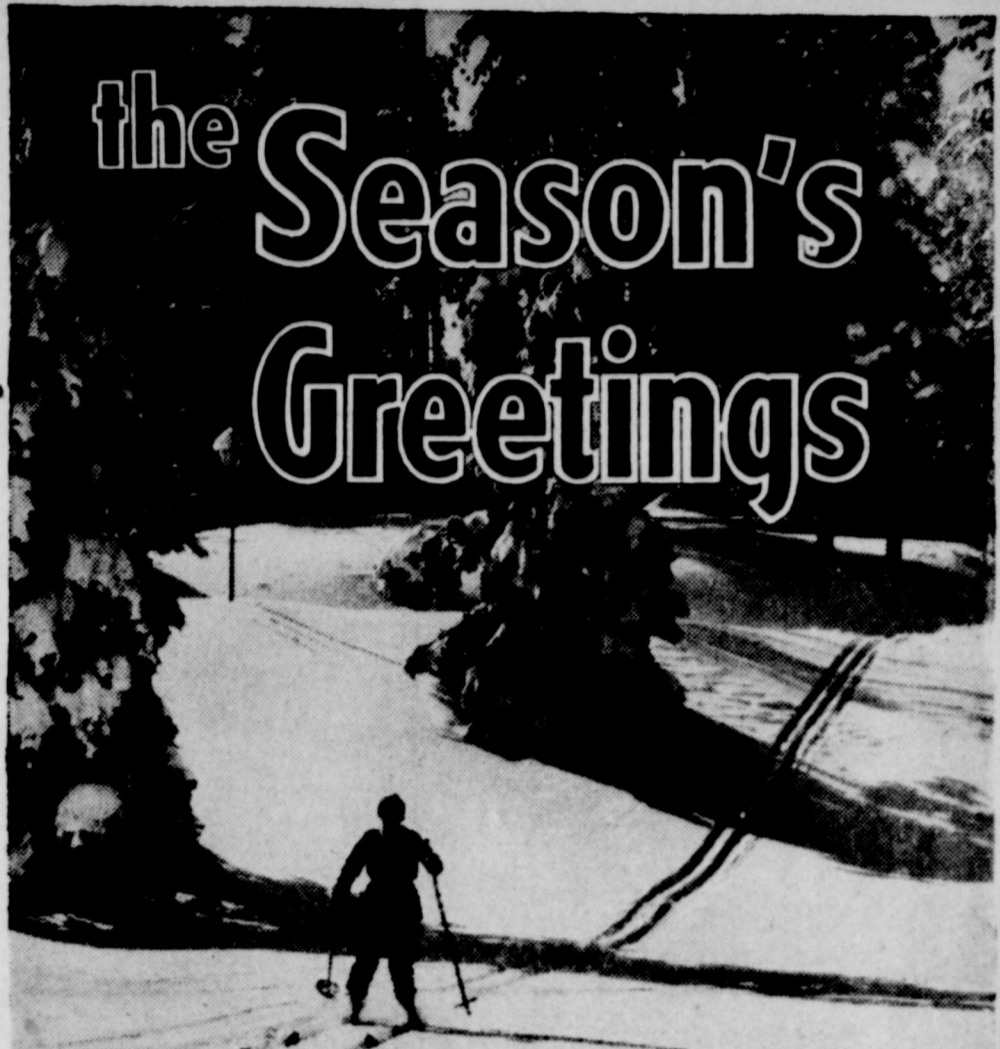
There was a happy surprise for all of us when the Silverton "Roundballers" whipped out the favored Flomot Longhorns in the finals Saturday night. Then they ran up against a team favored to enter the state tournament and lost to Turkey, 42-14.

The Owls played the best game that they have played in several years to whip Flomot, 40-32. Captain Martin ran up 23 points, Brown and Jack Burleson sank six points each, and Bruce Burleson and Gene Arnold stood out on defense. Hank looked good on the rebounds at both goals.

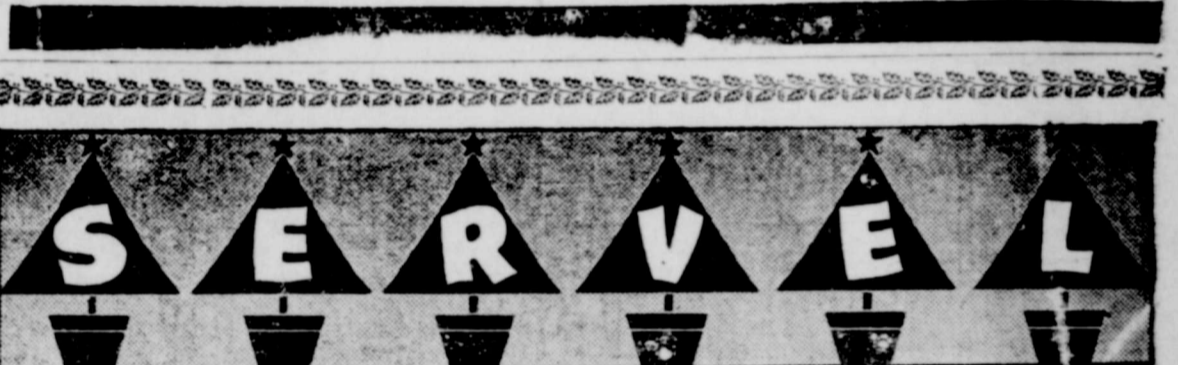
In the Turkey game, the boys were clearly outclassed, as were other teams who played the Turks during the tournament. We believe the Owls will play a better game against them later in the year. All of us are proud of the boys for entering the finals. The following teams were entered: Lakeview, Silverton, Quitaque, Flomot, Matador, Turkey, and Childress.

**Martin Makes All-Tournament Team**

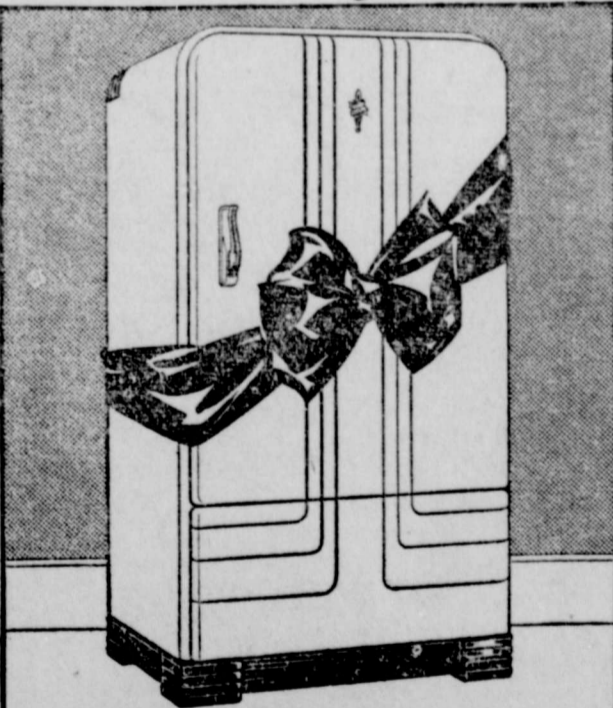
The highlight of the tournament for Silverton came after the final game when Captain Grady Martin was chosen All-Tournament center. He received a gold basketball for the honor. Other boys on the team were the Johnson boys of Turkey, Wells of Lakeview, and Tiffin of Flomot.



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**A LETTER TO SANTA**

Dear Santa:

I have been a very good little girl this year. I am not asking for anything for myself, but please, oh please, bring my Mother a son-in-law. I am hoping that you don't disappoint her.

Sincerely,  
Brownie Simmons

**PERSONALS**

Charline Garrison spent Saturday night with Wyona Lee.

Lola Howard spent Saturday night with Neta Bob Carter.

Mayme Lou Nance entertained a few couples at her house Saturday night.

**SCHOOL BOARD TO PAY 20 PERCENT ON TEACHERS' VOUCHERS**

The Silverton School Board at a recent meeting worked out a plan of re-financing 20 percent of the old teacher's vouchers. Vouchers issued to bus drivers and janitor are to be included. A detailed plan of payment will be listed in next week's Briscoe County News. All arrangements are being worked out at the present time in order that a 20 percent cash payment can be made January 1, 1940. Look for the article on School Vouchers in next week's issue.

## Free School Programs Will Be Given

**"MISTER TWEETY TWEETS"**

This is Mr. Tweety— you never can tell what the fellow is thinking when he has that "frozen-pan" face on his face. But this writer of one little fellow who is that the lower jaw of the old-fashioned old gentlemen didn't move Saturday.

Some thrill to all of those who, however, to see the some of the members of the Silverton High School Band actually marching down the street and on through town on the night of Saint Nick in his present here. The new band may not be a shade of dark, but the playing may not be noticeable when you "hear" the red coming down the street.

Of course this may be of interest to you, but I might say in passing that the new band class is to be organized at mid-term, which will be up of those future members of the advanced group who will receive their instruments by the stockings by the fireplace on the Christmas tree. These will attend this class on the foundation of band work is when they will be passed on as they are able to the group number two, and those group will then be passed on to the main body of the Silverton High School Band. Some new prospects are Betty Nan Corky Kirk, Norland Harrison, Jack Lawson, Billy Elwood Harrison, Joyce Nor-

**Chili Supper**

The present members of the two band classes were entertained last Thursday with a "chili supper" in the Home Ec Cottage. There was the gaily lighted Christmas tree, surrounded with presents, at one end of the long banquet table. Hot chili, cold drinks, celery, crackers, candies, and peanuts were served to the following guests: Miss Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, Rex Douglas, Nona Lee Deavenport, Johnnie Quillen, Martinez Cowart, Lola Fern Foust, Jonnie Allard, Guinn Williamson, Lou Ann Williamson, Nola Gay Witcher, Roy Montague, D. J. Northcutt, Clynell Hutsell, Carl Dean Bomar, Patricia Bomar, Faye Tice Bomar, Dorothy Roy McMurtry, Curly Allred, J. C. Fowler, Claynell Fowler, Freda Wimberly, Curtis Wimberly, Esdell Hutsell, Gene Dickerson, Jean Northcutt, Clyde Mercer, Ima Jo Martin, Dan Brookshier, W. E. Buchanan, Willie Smithce, Curtis King, Doris McClendon, and Mr. Terry. Some of the presents when opened really brought down the house including Curtis Kings little negro dolly, and Guinn's gift to the "Lola Fern. Partly because of the "burnt" chili, which was destroyed, and the fact that Christmas and "fireworks" were in the air, a good time was enjoyed by all present.

At the concert last night, something new was given a trial, the charm group including three clarinets, two cornets, two alto saxophones, one b tenor, one C melody sax and the piano, the blended voices of the girls choral group sang some Christmas carols. If this quarter hour of charm is what you want, let some of us know and there will be more to come.

—Tweety



O. C. RAMPLEY  
Co-Captain

**ALL-DISTRICT HALFBACK**

In order to stimulate more interest in the school it is being planned to sponsor a number of free programs during the month of January. The first "Free Community Program" will be given Thursday night, January 6th. There will be two basket ball games with Roaring Springs. Our boys and girls will contest the Roaring Springs teams. The band will furnish the music and the pep squad will furnish the pep. There will be other features on the program including the screening of the Silverton School Film, which was made this fall. This film gives shots of the Owl Football Team, the band, the pep squad, and many of the students in the Silverton School. Everyone is very anxious to see the school reel. There will also be an educational serial screened entitled "Queen Of The Jungle." This portrays a thrilling story of a little girl who is miraculously lost in the African Jungle midst wild beast and uncivilized savages. The scenes of the jungle are most vivid and the customs and religious beliefs of these blacks embody the essence of horror. You will not want to fail to see this part of the program. Remember the date and remember there will be no admission charge. Bring the children and enjoy an evening with your friends at your own school community program.

**PEACE ON EARTH**

By Margaret Thomas

As another happy Yuletide draws near, let us be glad that we are Americans, that we may celebrate the true Christmas spirit of "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men." This teaching is being ruled out by the hate and greed of the present regime of war lords in our neighboring countries across the seas. May we rejoice that in our great country we may celebrate the Christmas spirit in the way we see fit, and worship according to the dictates of our minds.

We, as the youth of this nation, have as our trust, the teachings of the true Christmas story to help us to make this nation a true Christian Democracy.

Mr. Sherman: (after eating in a restaurant) "Here, waiter, take this steak back."  
Waiter: "I can't."  
Mr. Sherman: "Why not?"  
Waiter: "You bent it."

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AND SO I take my typewriter in hand to bring you your weekly message of cheer. I'm taking off like a sage hen in about fifteen minutes and it's up to James L. (Cranberry to you). He will have next week's paper all to himself. Maizie Garvin will try to keep him straightened out, and will be the editor for the week. An editor is just kind of a figureread anyway, and I can't think of a nicer figure-head than Maizie. Mrs. Simpson will be after the locals and Maizie the other news. Give them a little help, will you?

PERSONAL TO Elma Seaney. Bud was just in and subscribed to this paper for you. I guess he's mad at you. He said it was a Xmas present, though.

A WEEK OR so ago, C. M. Rose, editor of the Dighton (Kansas) Herald, was talking about Roosevelt's Thanksgiving... wondering if he'd change Christmas too, and so forth, and so on. And in an effort to portray the extreme he said, "The thing is getting so mixed up, that the first thing we know he will have them shooting fireworks on Christmas Day." Tut, tut, Mr. Rose, you are far, far behind. I've never yet heard a firecracker here on the Fourth, but mankind... the past two weeks have sounded like the Battle of Bunker Hill.

THE WRITER OF this column has not been determined. If anyone has anything on his chest, next week is the time to get it off. Anything you can get by Cranberry is OK with me.

SAW M. K. trying to buy a flash camera. Says things happen so fast once in a while of a night that he doesn't know what to do. So he's going to take pictures of what happens, take it home and sleep on it, and by then he will know what steps to take.

COMES A BOOST for the want ads from St. Ellis. He advertised a cream separator and sold it before the paper came out. And since it's sold he has gotten a lot of inquiries, several of them by mail. I'll bet you have something around the house that you could sell if you advertised it.

Dear Santa, I don't want much for Christmas, just bring me a lot of toys, and please bring Dickie and Avis as much candy as I've eaten there this year. Thanks.  
Yours very truly,  
Collin Thomas Hahn

AND ANOTHER week has slipped by and maybe so you hadn't noticed it. Right now there are only SIX days left for you to subscribe for a dollar. Please do it! The boys at the shop are depending on subscription money the next two weeks for their wages.

OH, YES, Barbara will stay up at her folks for a month or so. If you have any flower orders you can telephone them to the News Office and they will be taken care of. And any account you owe, may be paid here too.

JUST TALKED TO Marvin Tull. He has the whole Farmall family on hand now. He says that there's size for every one in the family, and (I think) a free ride on the little one. P. S. They are all dressed up in Christmas colors too. Read Tull's ad on the back page.

Ware Fogerson met Carl Crow at the train in Quitaque Tuesday night and brought him to Silverton. Carl has spent the past few weeks in the Veteran's Hospital at Muskogee. He says he is feeling much better.

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**North Ward News**

Mr. Floyd Wood was honored with a birthday dinner at his home last Sunday. Those present were: Mrs. Eula Crawford and children of Friona, Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Crawford of Friona, Mrs. Seavard of Hereford, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Wood and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Beavers.

Mrs. Maude Kincaannon of Sudan visited in the Dewey Beavers home last week.

Mrs. S. A. Shearer, Elbert, and Mrs. Nona Waddell were dinner guests in the G. W. Seaney home Sunday.

Mrs. Alva Long of Dinner Creek is spending the week with Mrs. Jewell Beavers.

Mr. Roy Seals of Delhi, Oklahoma, formerly of this community, underwent an appendicitis operation recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom McCain spent Sunday in the Eldon Ledbetter home.

Cecil Seaney spent Saturday night with Billie Ellis.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Haverty visited Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pool Sunday evening.

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**Wallace Locals**

Mrs. Lee Deavenport is on the sick list this week.  
Mrs. S. B. Davis is in the Plainview Sanitarium.

Mr. H. T. Myers from California is visiting his father and sisters, Mr. Henry Myers and Misses Ella and Nealie Myers.

Mr. M. M. Edwards and son Edward visited Mr. and Mrs. Dock Wallace last Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wallace were in Silverton Saturday night.

Dinner guests in the home of Mr. Henry Myers Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Bood Myers and Mrs. M. M. Edwards and son Edward.

Miss Donaldita Seaney visited Nona Lee Deavenport Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Davis are visiting in Arkansas this week.

Noel Deavenport spent Monday night with Edward Edwards.

Mrs. Ada Cox and son Troy were in Lockney last Saturday morning.

Mr. Roy Childress of South Plains called to see Edward Edwards Monday morning.

—The Haylake Quilting Club met with Mrs. D. H. Yancy Monday, December 11. Thirty members were present. The day was spent and enjoyed by all. Misses Mary Sue McWilliams and Maxine Watters had in connection with our regular meeting, a shower for the bride, Mrs. D. H. Yancy, Jr. She received many nice and useful gifts.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. A. T. Brooks, January 10th. Everyone is invited.

**MISSIONARY SOCIETY ENTERTAINED**

Mrs. Paul Rogers was hostess to the M. E. Missionary Society for their Christmas Party. A social hour of games was enjoyed. The members revealed their sunshine sisters in a gift exchange. The retiring president, Mrs. Coffee, was honored with a handkerchief shower. Lovely refreshments were served by the hostess. Those present were Mesdames: Malone, Gill, Beauchamp, S. R. Turner, Arnold Turner, Stevens, R. M. Hill, Hoyt Hill, Potter, Moore, Simpson, Billie Dickerson, R. E. Douglas, Sanders, Price, Luety, Coffee, O'Neal, and Norrid.

The Senior Study Club met with Mrs. Dick Cowart on Wednesday for their Christmas program. The program was on the Bible.

The Junior Study Club enjoyed a Christmas Party and gift exchange at the home of Mrs. Marvin Tull on Thursday afternoon.

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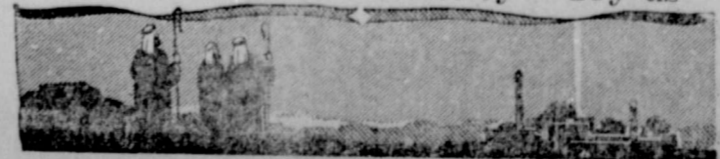
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# HOME TOWN NEWS



Mrs. W. L. McMinn and Mrs. U. B. Howard of Pampa, Texas, spent the week end in Lubbock. Mrs. McMinn Friday night, and Mrs. Howard Saturday night. Mrs. McMinn also spent the week end in Lubbock. Mrs. John Hacker of Amarillo spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Hacker's cousin, Mrs. McMinn and family. Mrs. Steve Duncan spent the week end in Lubbock with Mr. and Mrs. McMinn. Mrs. Peters of Amarillo spent several days last week with Mrs. Dean Allard.

Rev. Leverett transacted business in Lubbock Monday. Miss Mary Gartner from Pampa, Area Supervisor of District 31, was here Monday working out plans for the new year with the county case worker. Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Bomar were transacting business in Plainview Thursday. Mrs. Mattie Perry left Thursday morning for Altus, Oklahoma to spend the Christmas holidays with her daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Oliver. Mr. and Mrs. Roy O'Hair and family visited in Quannah Sunday.

Riddell Hutsell, who is attending Wayland College, came in this week to spend the holidays with his parents and relatives. Mrs. Rex Puckett and sister, Mrs. Maude Kincannon left the latter part of the week to visit relatives at Sudan, and on to Mrs. Kincannon's home in Roy, New Mexico. From there Mrs. Puckett will take the train to her home in Phoenix, Arizona. Mr. and Mrs. Grady Wimberly and children, Curtis and Freda, and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Kellum and little son Fred Chase, are leaving Sunday morning for Frederick, Oklahoma to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. Wimberly's mother, Mrs. J. T. Wimberly and sister, Mrs. Lela Kellum. Mrs. D. O. Bomar and children left early Friday morning for Gainesville where they will spend the holidays with Mrs. Bomar's mother and sisters. Mr. and Mrs. Dunagan left Thursday to spend the holidays with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jones of Electra. Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Autry and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Thompson and family are planning to spend the Christmas holidays with their daughter and sister and family in Denton. Mrs. T. C. Bomar and children, Carl Dean and Mary Tom, are leaving Saturday to spend the week end in Childress with Dr. McClendon and family. Tom, Mother Bomar and Mrs. Emma Frieze plan to join them Monday for Christmas dinner. The Harcastle sisters and brothers all plan to be together on that day. Mrs. Lee D. Bomar and children plan to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Bomar's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Morton, at Goree.

Fred Biffle from Amarillo was transacting business here Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Lee D. Bomar entertained with a turkey dinner Sunday. Guests included: Mr. and Mrs. Doug Arnold and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kellum and son, Rev. and Mrs. Leverett and Dorothy, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hutsell and family, Mother Bomar and Mrs. Simpson, Billy Rampley, W. L. Perry, and Patricia Bomar. Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Gollihar of McAdoo spent Sunday night in the Ben O. King home. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Havran spent Tuesday in Amarillo. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Teeter were visiting in Lubbock Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cash and children were visiting in Tulla and Amarillo Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Harrison and son of Kress spent Sunday with Rev. and Mrs. B. P. Harrison. Mr. and Mrs. Ben O. King spent Sunday afternoon in Lubbock. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bomar spent the week end in Elida, New Mexico with Mrs. Bomar's father. Mr. and Mrs. John Myers and son of Elida, New Mexico spent Friday night with Mr. Myers' sister, Mrs. Jim Bomar. Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Stephens spent Tuesday in Lubbock. Miss Lizzie Gregg left Wednesday morning to spend the Christmas holidays with her brothers in Quitaque. After a short visit there she will go to Talam, New Mexico to visit her sisters. Monday afternoon at two-thirty the funeral of Mr. W. T. Roberts, former resident of Silverton, was conducted from the First Baptist Church. Rev. Jeff D. Welch of Lubbock assisted by Rev. Jesse B. Leverett was in charge of the services. He is survived by five sons and two daughters.

## Francis Locals

The Helping Hand Club met with Mrs. Carl Wimberly December 14th. There were eighteen members present. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Virgil Baldwin January 4th. Mrs. Jack Jowell and Edwin returned from Cleburne Wednesday. Mrs. Edwin Crass went to the Lubbock Sanitarium for a major operation Wednesday. She is doing nicely at this time. Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Roberson and Billie Joyce of Littlefield spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Roberson. Keg Matthis had an emergency appendicitis operation at Plainview Wednesday. Mrs. W. C. Roberson spent Monday and Tuesday with her daughter, Mrs. Weldon Whitford of Plainview.

## Claude Crossing News

Miss Donaleta Seaney spent Tuesday night in the Gabe Garrison home. Several attended the Community Christmas tree at Mr. and Mrs. Jim Carter's Tuesday night. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mallow were in Amarillo on business Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Don Garrison and Mr. and Mrs. Gabe Garrison and Pascal were dinner guests in the Carroll Garrison home Sunday. —Send us your last minute rush cleaning.—City Tailors. There will be a Christmas tree and a program presented at the Calvary Baptist Church Saturday night at 7 o'clock. SUBSCRIBE NOW FOR \$1.00

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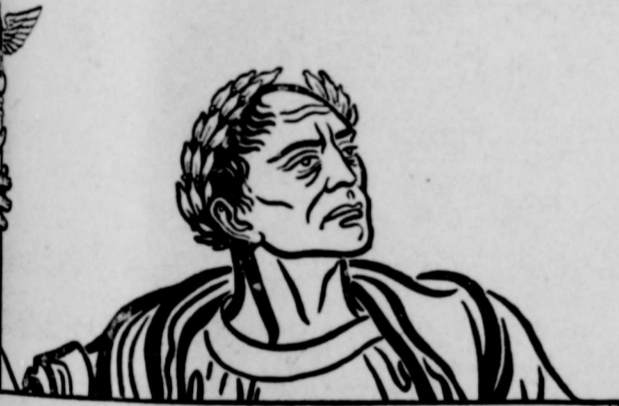
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# The Honorable Uncle Lancy

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## THE STORY THUS FAR

Left orphans by a tragic automobile accident which claimed the lives of their mother and father, three sisters, Helen, Adele and Limpy, are visited by their Aunt Olympia, politically minded wife of Senator Alencon Delaporte Slophire. She insists that the girls return with her to Washington, to make their home with them. In addition to loving the girls, Aunt Olympia knows they will be a terrific political asset. Senator Slophire has as his political opponent one Brother Wilkie, a minister, whose political campaign is furthered by seven "unspeakable brats" who sit on the rostrum with him while he makes speeches. Aunt Olympia and the Senator, kind and loving, nevertheless know that their three nieces will mean votes for the Senator. Senator Slophire, a pleasantly foggy individual who means votes for the Senator, prepares for their coming. Though Limpy, depends on the astuteness of his wife, prepares for their coming. Though Limpy, the youngest, is 16, and Helen, the oldest, is 21, the Senator buys them all the toys and gifts he can find, feeling that "children" should be occupied. When they first meet their "Uncle Lancy," as he is to be known, the girls take him to their united bosom. Soon Adele, most beautiful of the sisters, meets Len Hardesty, publicity man for Brother Wilkie.

## CHAPTER III—Continued

Len Hardesty took a glass from the tray Hilda had placed on the coffee table, put in liquor and water. He walked slowly toward her. "I only hope you do not change your mind and accept this at my insistence, for I need it myself. More pit of the stomach business. . . . Oh, my dear Miss Adele, do have a drink! Oh, you must have a drink! Come on, be a sport, just one now! Pick you up no end."

Adele leaned forward, gazed intently, deliriously, into his eyes and then gave the lovely blonde head a very decided, very becoming little shake. "No, indeed, thanks. I wouldn't dare! I'm—having entirely too much stimulant as it is." And the blue eyes clung to his.

Len Hardesty set the glass on a small table with a resounding plunk. He turned to Olympia.

"Ollie, I apologize," he said. "I didn't think you had it in you."

"Oh, I just gave her a rough general outline," said Olympia. "I must admit that she added a good deal of embellishment. Take your drink, Len. You're going to need it. I may as well show you the rest. . . . Hilda, ask the young ladies to come in and squelch this worm."

Len drained the glass. "I'll have another, thanks." He poured for himself, slowly. "When I think that I'm going to spend the next eight months pitting my brats against your beauty—"

"Oh, come now, Len, I'm not as good-looking as all that," said Aunt Olympia.

"Ollie, I didn't even see you. I never expect to see you again. I'm not sure I'll ever see anything but the automaton there. There seems to be a sort of bright light—an aura, you might say—around that pit we mentioned—"

Hilda coughed faintly in the doorway. "She thinks she's the Senator," said Olympia in a large whisper.

"Miss Helen is waiting for a long-distance telephone from Iowa—"

"Long distance! From Iowa?" ejaculated Aunt Olympia. "Why, who's there to talk to in Iowa, with Congress in session?"

"It might be something about a school," said Adele, sweetly. "Or—you don't suppose she could have forgotten to—pay that grocery bill?" said Aunt Olympia. "From what I saw of that delivery boy, he's just the type to buy a new necktie and put on his gloves and follow a bill clear to Washington."

Hilda coughed again. "And Miss Limpy is having a conference."

"Having a conference? Miss Limpy? What are you talking about? Is the Senator here?"

"No, ma'am. It's with a—a policeman. Miss Limpy accidentally or something threw her arithmetic—"

"Trigonometry," corrected Adele, loyally.

"Yes'm. Out the window and hit the policeman on the head, and he's having a conference about it."

"Well, don't let him in here," said Aunt Olympia decidedly. "We've worms enough in here. Miss Limpy can handle him herself. Tell her to come in when he goes."

Len Hardesty shook an accusing finger at Aunt Olympia. "You staged this, Ollie. You staged this whole scene. You knew I was coming. You've been listening at keyholes and pursuing me with detectives and you knew I was headed here and you staged this. Hitting a policeman on the dome with a trigonometry! So that's the kind of campaign we're up against, eh?"

"No," said Aunt Olympia honestly. "I'm sorry, but I can't hog the credit. It never entered my head. It's good, Len. I admit it's good. But Limpy thought it up herself."

Len groaned. "But just to cheer you up, Len, I will admit that Adele is far the best-looking. The others are all right—in some ways even better. I don't believe Adele would ever have thought of bashing a policeman with a trigonometry. But she got most of the looks."

"You're telling me that?" he demanded bitterly. "I'm no fool. I know there's a limit on that sort of thing. . . . But if that kid thought of attacking a policeman—out of her own head—she's dangerous. They're all dangerous. You're dangerous."

"Oh, we just try to hold our own," said Aunt Olympia serenely.

Limpy bobbed brightly in at that point. She looked slight and small in comparison with Adele's tallness and Olympia's general largeness. She began to speak almost before she was visible. But Len Hardesty, a good reporter, did not overlook that even before she spoke, the feet—"

ground. She looked up with a slight smile and took a sip of her lemonade. She looked up again. This time, the smile melted away on her lips and suddenly they were looking into each other's eyes, deeply, very soberly. Len shook his head with sudden impatience. Something must be said.

"Do you like Washington?" he asked gravely, though the trite query struck him as a good deal of an anticlimax, after meeting her eyes. "I do today," she said.

"Does the old girl give you all your lines?" he asked moodily. "Not that one. That was original."

"That's something. . . . Did you mean it?"

"Yes," she said, with honest brevity. "Well, it's a good thing. To tell the truth, you're going to be seeing a good deal of me from this on—"

"Oh, no, we're not," interrupted Olympia, bounding back. "The only way we're going to be seeing anything of you is at the other end of a good sharp stiletto. If there's any tampering with my campaign material I'll report it to some committee on something."

"I can't stay for dinner tonight," he said, "though it's nice of you to ask me. I have another engagement. I can come back about nine though, since you insist, and—talk things over with Sloppy and sort of check up on the campaign. And how about my dropping in for luncheon around one-thirty tomorrow? I can take the whole afternoon off—if I don't get caught—and give the girls a good sales talk."

"We're going to be out! We're going to be out from right now till the election," said Aunt Olympia rudely.

"See you tonight about nine. Thanks, Ollie. Sweet of you to ask me. . . . Uncle Lancy! My word!"

"We're virtually out now," said Aunt Olympia.

"What do you think, Limpy?" said Adele suddenly. "Are they arriving at an armistice, or is this a lull before they tear each other limb from limb?"

"I'm expecting blows at any minute," said Limpy. "That's what I'm waiting for. Otherwise I'd be right back with my logarithms."

"Blows! Blows between Ollie and me?" he sat on the arm of her chair and put his arm around her. "Why, Ollie and I are mad about each other. It's my one regret that Sloppy saw her first. Why, I'd lie down in the dirt and let her walk right over me—though I'd be a good deal flattened in the process. And she'd do the same for me, too!"

"Sure I would," said Aunt Olympia, with a beaming smile. She patted his hand affectionately. "You snake-in-the-grass!"

CHAPTER IV  
Never in her life had Aunt Olympia experienced such satisfying happiness. The girls, with their gentle youth, made a perfect foil for her rugged ruddiness, her biting humor. Their appreciative laughter spurred her to gusty heights never before attained. She had not realized how large a part the audience plays in the success of theatrical endeavor. She could hardly let them out of her sight long enough to get their proper sleep and begrudged Limpy every minute spent on "those lousy logarithms."

So the girls were a little disconcerted one day when she went about the apartment wrapped in a brooding air of detachment, full lips compressed, left eyelid ominously lowered; seeming not to hear their light talk, and still more surprisingly, adding no enlivening embellishments of her own. They watched her uneasily.

"Are you sick, Aunt Olympia?" Helen finally asked. "No," she said abruptly. "I'm working my subconscious."

"The girls smiled faintly. 'Don't overtax it,' said Adele. 'I understand it's rather delicate.' 'And be careful it doesn't turn and begin working you,' added Limpy."

Aunt Olympia did not hear them. That night she addressed the Senator mildly.

"Del, I want to ask your advice." The Senator coughed deprecatingly and his glance at the girls was apologetic.

"What do you think we ought to do about these girls?" she demanded.

That shocked the Senator into immediate coherence. "Do about these them!" he ejaculated. "Do nothing about them! Leave them alone! They're doing all right for themselves."

"Referring to their social life," Olympia continued. "Should we bring them out or keep them in seclusion?"

The Senator wiped his glasses. Then he smiled. "My dear, living up to my established reputation as a philanthropic and public-spirited American, I say, bring them out. Give the world a treat! The world needs a treat and I am not one who believes that the blessed should be begrudged their treasures."

Olympia frowned. "Thinking of the campaign," she said significantly. "Which would have more telling effect on the campaign; to let them

go out, decorously of course, most decorously, or keep them in modest retirement until we go home? If I know our constituents, and I think I do, it would flatter them no end to get the idea that while we were obliged to safeguard and shelter these children from the insidious snares of Washington, we realize that in our home—among our friends—our constituents—they are safe."

The Senator considered this, frowningly. He had not yet worked up any campaign spirit himself, with Congress in no mood for adjournment. His troubled eyes circled the attentive subject of the discussion and the sight led him to instant conclusion.

"No use to punish the girls for the sake of a few votes, in my opinion. Let them do as they please."

Olympia never paid any attention to what he said. "We could go right ahead—building them up—whetting public interest—putting out just the right photos—and still hold them aloof. It would delight the voters; and why not? It is a definite compliment. But I don't want to bore the girls."

"Aunt Olympia," Helen broke in gently, "if you don't mind, I'd really like to go around as much as I can. I do not mean to gay, social things. I do not want to seem disrespectful or lacking in feeling, but since I shall be with you only this one season, I feel I ought to learn as much as I can, get as much experience as possible. I'd like to learn how things run, how Congress works, all the things that go to make Washington the heart of the nation."

Aunt Olympia agreed with her heartily. She invariably agreed with the girls, even if she flatly flouted her agreement in the next breath. She was determined to be on good terms with them at all cost and she felt that an initial agreement took the edge off what followed.

"Perfectly right, my dear, perfectly sound. So you should. Washington is an education, a higher—and, in some ways, a lower—education. It is your civic duty to learn all you can. The life here will be valuable experience for you in the future whether you teach school—or go into politics—or merely sell—say, groceries."

A swift glance flickered among the girls.

"I don't see that politics enters into selling groceries," said Uncle Lancy. "Unless you refer to putting the bad fruit at the bottom of the basket."

Aunt Olympia gave him a straight, hard look. Already the girls knew that look. They called it her shut-upping look. "Aunt Olympia gave me her shut-upping look, and I never opened my mouth," they would say to one another. Uncle Lancy had no name for it but he understood it.

"A thorough education," he remarked safely, dropping groceries. "You can come about with me, Helen. You can sit in my committee meetings. Some of them are merely good antidotes for insomnia, but on the other hand, some of them are very interesting. The munitions committee got into a fight every time it met. You'd have enjoyed that, but unfortunately it wound up its work and quit."

"After all," went on Aunt Olympia musingly, "it does impress homey hicks to know that one has been received in Washington. But we'll be careful. We'll discriminate."

"Sure, that's the idea," corroborated the Senator. "Discriminate. Take them only to things that are good fun—and hold them in seclusion from the bores."

"I'll start off with a luncheon, exclusive, very small. Then a large tea—not too large. . . . It's too bad about Len Hardesty; he's a lot of help at that sort of thing. . . . Yes, Helen, you're right. We'll bring you and Adele out—in a decorous way—and exclude Limpy."

"Aw, Uncle Lancy!" wailed Limpy.

The Senator rose to her appeal. "Stuff and nonsense," he said. "What's the matter with Limpy? Limpy can take care of herself. Let her have a good time."

"Del, you silly dunce, that child—"

"Seventeen, Auntie darling!" Limpy reminded her. "And seventeen is very, very close to eighteen."

"Sixteen," corrected Adele determinedly.

"Plus. Large plus, small minus."

"Let 'em have as much fun as they can, that's my idea," said Uncle Lancy loyally.

"I don't want to have fun," disclaimed Helen promptly. "I just want to learn as much as I can; about politics and government, particularly; from the ground up. I don't want gay society—"

"You want official things," said Aunt Olympia. "Yes, you're right. Well, we have a stack of invitations. We'll go through them tomorrow and you can pick out what you like. And I'll plan the luncheon." She frowned thoughtfully for a while, left eye invisible. "You know, Del," she said suddenly, "I'm not at all sure but Adele could do a sight worse."

The Senator did not pause to cough. "Do worse!" he ejaculated. "I don't see how she could do worse. I don't see how she could do any better myself. She's just about perfect, in my opinion. They all are. In fact, they are perfect."

Adele laughed. "It has a faint resemblance to a compliment, Auntie," she said. "But it's a bit too foggy for my clouded intelligence. Do worse than what?"

"Than Len Hardesty. He's smart. He's got what an election takes. And the Senator'll be up again in '44."

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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### Lesson for December 24

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### THE CHILD AND THE KINGDOM

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 1:18-25; 18:1-6; 19:13-15. GOLDEN TEXT—A little child shall lead them.—Isaiah 11:6.

### The children's holiday!

Yes, Christmas is the children's day of days, and it is also the day for those who have been "converted and become as little children" (Matt. 18:3). It is quite proper that it should be so, for Christmas really means nothing very significant except as we gather at Bethlehem's manger and there we find a child, the Christ-child. Those who come on the morrow to do homage to Him in the spirit of childlike faith will truly keep Christmas. In that spirit the writer of these notes wishes for you who read these lines just that kind of a holy day of joy and gladness.

Let us then go first of all to Bethlehem, and there having seen the One who "became flesh and dwelt among us" as a little child, we shall be ready to go on and learn from Him what a blessed example, responsibility, and opportunity there is in the childhood which we see all around us.

### I. The Child—Jesus Our Saviour (Matt. 1:18-25).

The virgin mother Mary "brought forth her firstborn son" and "called his name Jesus"—the one who should "save his people from their sins" (vv. 21, 25). In order that He might be the Saviour, He had to be both God and man. This could only be true as God sent His only-begotten Son into the world by giving to Him a human mother in whom He as the eternal Son of God was "conceived by the Holy Ghost" (as we express it in the creed) and became the Son of Man.

For anyone who believes that God has all power and all wisdom to do what He wills and as He wills, and who further believes that Christ was pre-existent as the Son of God before His incarnation, there is no difficulty in believing in the virgin birth. In fact, no other manner of incarnation would have been possible. It necessarily follows that the one who denies the virgin birth of Christ thereby declares that He does not believe in the God of the Scriptures and in Jesus Christ His Son our Lord.

### II. The Child—Our Example (18:1-4).

The disciples had been having a discussion about who was to be the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. This was not because they desired their brothers' advancement, for each one wanted to be the greatest (Luke 9:46).

Jesus frankly told them that they needed a real change of heart, a conversion. True greatness is not a matter of worldly position or ambition, but of a childlike humility. Such an idea was absolutely revolutionary in the day of Jesus, and in fact sounds unbelievable to the worldly man today. But it is nonetheless true that the great man or woman is the one who knows and recognizes himself to be utterly dependent on God in every moment, every circumstance, every trial, and in every opportunity of life. We need to learn of our children.

### III. The Child—Our Responsibility (18:5, 6).

These awful, solemn words should be considered with great care. What a terrible judgment awaits those who cause little ones to stumble by reason of their false teaching, their failure to bring God's Word to bear upon their lives, improper discipline in the home, or the influence of a bad example. There are probably preachers, teachers in the Sunday School, grandparents, uncles, aunts, mothers, fathers, yes, even friends of little children who need to reread these verses and then cry out to God in repentance before it is too late.

### IV. The Child—Our Opportunity (19:13-15).

Jesus knew the real value of a child and His loving heart reached out to invite the children to come unto Him in love, in obedience, and in trust. When they came, He never failed to bless them.

The glorious thing is that little children are privileged to bring their little hearts to Him. Someone may say, "Jesus is no longer on earth, I cannot take my child to Him." Jesus is not here in the flesh, but He is here ever present with His children. You can bring your child to Him, for the coming which He has in mind in these verses is not in any physical sense but rather spiritual. The parents who teach their little ones about the birth of Christ on this Christmas day have brought them to Him. Every word of instruction, every encouragement to pray, every example of devotion to Christ which the child may follow is the true bringing of that child to Him.

Will you do it this Christmas—in the home, in the Sunday School, in the church, anywhere? If you do, there will be blessing beyond your ability to contain it and you will have

A Blessed Christmas!

## Patchwork Border For Luncheon Cloth

By RUTH WYETH SPEARS

THE new uses for crazypatch stitches in Sewing Book 3 have aroused so much interest that it is worth thinking of smart new ways to use pieced quilt block designs. This border pieced of small patterned cotton prints of all kinds and colors put together with red and blue strips is the result. It is very striking and decorative for lunch cloth shown here which, by the way, is made of unbleached muslin bags. The seams where the bags are joined make the cloth the desired size.



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### IV. The Child—Our Opportunity (19:13-15).

Jesus knew the real value of a child and His loving heart reached out to invite the children to come unto Him in love, in obedience, and in trust. When they came, He never failed to bless them.

The glorious thing is that little children are privileged to bring their little hearts to Him. Someone may say, "Jesus is no longer on earth, I cannot take my child to Him." Jesus is not here in the flesh, but He is here ever present with His children. You can bring your child to Him, for the coming which He has in mind in these verses is not in any physical sense but rather spiritual. The parents who teach their little ones about the birth of Christ on this Christmas day have brought them to Him. Every word of instruction, every encouragement to pray, every example of devotion to Christ which the child may follow is the true bringing of that child to Him.

Will you do it this Christmas—in the home, in the Sunday School, in the church, anywhere? If you do, there will be blessing beyond your ability to contain it and you will have

A Blessed Christmas!

## Smiles

Helpful Squall

"This is a wonderful cake, darling." "Yes. Cook made it for the milkman, but they quarreled this morning."

So She Said

"But your wife said she'd forgive and forget." "Yes. She's forgotten she'd forgiven."

Thinks Better

"Daddy, what's a bachelor?" "It's a man who thinks before he acts—and then doesn't act at all."

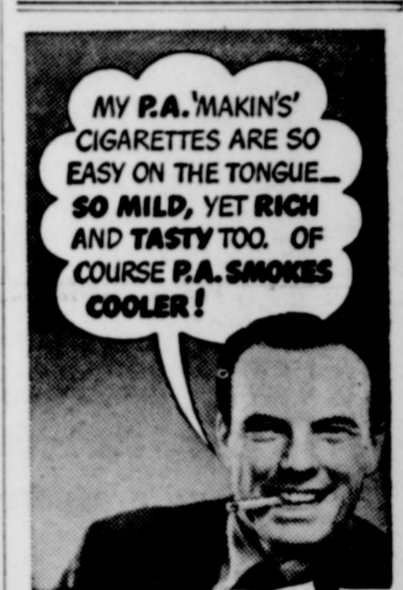
Asked if the coffee was all right, the diner replied: "It would be if it was called soup and used for shaving."

Willing to Chance It

"Dad, do my homework for me." "Now, son, you know that wouldn't be right." "Praps not, dad; but you might have a go at it."

Might Need Several

Doctor—You should take a bath before you retire. Patient—But, doctor, I don't expect to retire for another five years.



A HINT FOR MORE JOY IN YOUR "MAKIN'S" SMOKES

In recent laboratory "smoking bowl" tests, PRINCE ALBERT burned

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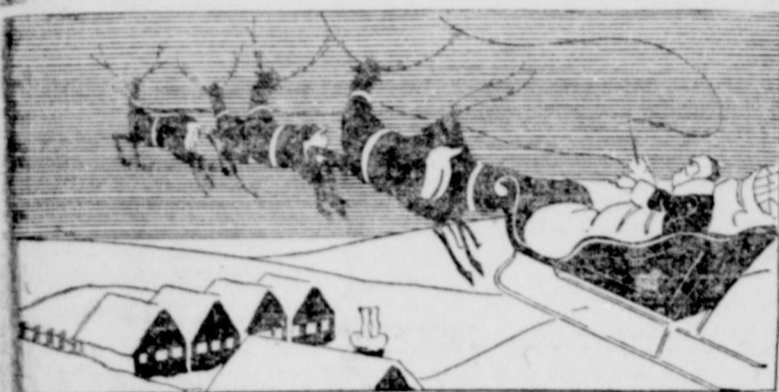
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... ALVIN REDIN

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Our employees join in wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a joyous and prosperous New Year

West Texas Gas Co.

GOOD GAS WITH DEPENDABLE SERVICE

Dear Santa

Dear Santa Claus: I have been very good all year and I would like for you to bring me some toys. I want a doll, and cedar chest full of candy, nuts, apples, oranges and bananas.  
Jeannine Waldrop

Dear Santa: I have tried to be a good boy. I am nine years old and in the fifth grade. I want you to bring me an air gun and lots of fruit, candy and nuts.  
Jimmie Bullock

Dear Santa: I am a little girl two years old. Will you please bring me a little broom, mop, dust pan, apron, vacuum cleaner, a doll and a whole box of chewing gum, candy, nuts and fruit. Thank you.  
Your little friend,  
Janice Carol Bullock

Dear Santa: I am a big little boy. I want you to please bring me a steam shovel and truck.  
Your friend,  
Jack Graham

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy five years old. I have been a pretty good boy and helped mother and daddy. Please bring me a football, a shotgun and

some candy and fruit.  
Your little friend,  
Gail Bullock

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy two years old. Please bring me a gun, a pop eye toy, an aeroplane and some candy and fruit. Don't forget other little boys and girls.  
Your little friend,  
Dwayne Bullock

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy three years old. I have been good. Will you please bring me a big truck, a big tractor and a milk wagon. I also want some candy, fruit and nuts. Please don't forget my mother and daddy.  
G. W. Chappell

Dear Santa: I am a young man four years old and I have been a nice boy this year. So will you please bring me a dump truck, wagon, doctor's kit, blackboard, cowboy suit, wench truck and a fire wagon. I have a little brother, Billy Gene, who is almost two years old. Please bring him a tricycle, bus, tractor, story books, bathrobe, house shoes, and a doll (the sissy). He has been a nice boy, too. Thank you very much.

Your little friend,  
Donald Albert Reid  
Del Rio, Texas  
P. S. Don't forget Grandmother Reid and Grandmother and Grand-pop Snodgrass.

Graham Turkeys Rank High

L. E. Graham, of west of Quitaque, has one of the largest turkey "ranches" in this section, and at the Turkey Poultry Show last week he "swamped" the show at Turkey, and carried off every honor for which he was eligible. In fact, according to the Quitaque Post, he took seven ribbons with six entries.

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3617 FOWLER APPLIANCE CO.

FOR SALE—Extra good auto radio. It's way above average and priced at only \$15.00, installed.  
See DEE REID

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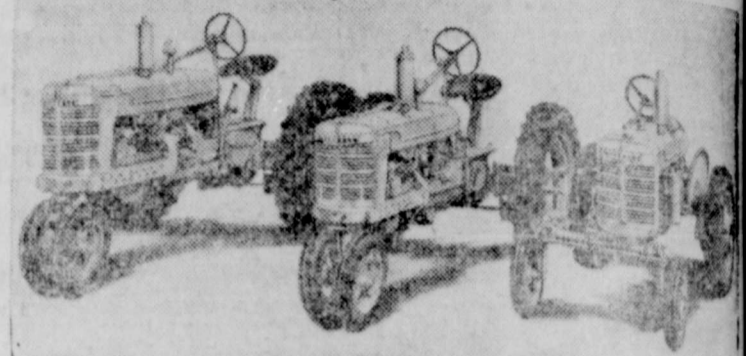
Silverton, Texas  
December 14, 1939

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
COUNTY OF BRISCOE,  
TO THE PUBLIC:

You are hereby notified that Briscoe County, acting by and through its commissioners court will on the 8th day of January A. D. 1940, come being a regular term of said court, receive and open written sealed bids for:  
One road scraper with approximately 4 cubic yards capacity, struck measure. Pneumatic tires, hydraulic control, with fittings for both

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Tull Implement Co.

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35 and 50 deisel caterpillar tractor.  
Terms of said bid: Will be paid for in four per cent county warrants against road and bridge fund Briscoe County.  
Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids. All bids must be in the office of the County Judge by ten o'clock A. M. January 8, 1940. All bids must be accompanied by a certified check fifty dollars (\$50.00).  
W. Coffee, Jr.  
County Judge, Briscoe County, Texas  
(First published in the Briscoe County News December 14, 1939)



Kirks Cafe



We want to forget our business in this ad and make it just a sincere wish from our hearts that you enjoy the Christmas Holidays and all the days to come.

City Tailors

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Merry Christmas!

To Our Hundreds of Friends  
At this time, the most glorious holiday season of the whole year, we extend our sincere 'best wishes' to our many friends and customers in this community and we hope that we can continue to serve you through many more Christmas seasons.

Magnolia Service Station

Maurice Foust, Mgr. Bennett Haley



GREETINGS, FRIENDS...

Once again another Christmas is here... and once again, as friend to friend, we want to wish you the merriest Christmas you have ever had. We wish we could greet you each personally, and tell you how much we appreciate your friendship and goodwill, but since we can't, we are using our space this week to express our sentiments to you.

Let's remember today, that there is more to Christmas than a time for celebration... that behind it all is something far deeper... the message brought by the Angels in Bethlehem nearly two thousand years ago... a message on which our whole world is based... and with that thought in mind we again say to all a very Merry Christmas.

WHITESIDE AND COMPANY



Stop Scratching, Santa..



THE IDEAL GIFT IS SOMETHING USEFUL... AND WHAT IS MORE USEFUL THAN "Something Electrical"?

There is still time left to pick out that "last minute something" that will please every member of every family. Any employee will be glad to assist with your Christmas shopping.

All the Employees of the Entire Company take this means of wishing you and yours...  
The Merriest Christmas and the Happiest of New Years

Texas-New Mexico Utilities Company