

All Around the Town

by Mary Ann Sarchet

"America At Christmas Time," written by Madge Haines sets forth the following paragraphs, among others, which I especially like. These seem to me to be like windows, through which a typical America at Christmas can be seen. America of countryside is especially beautiful at Christmas time with her corn cribs round and bulging, her barns filled to the highest rafter, her cellars overflowing and redolent with apples laid in store, her pantry shelves all laden down with jellies red and flavorful, her ovens browning up the mince-meat pies, her tables heaped with fruits and breads in ample store for all.

America of prairie lands and mountains high is especially beautiful at Christmas time when nature brings from out the skies her filigrees, her laces and her coverlets of purest white and drapes them with exotic flare upon the barren shrubs beside the road, or hangs the min long robes upon a forest or a woodland to make the trees appear like royal priests who keep their watch beside some holy nave.

America of holly, wreath and Christmas rose is especially beautiful at Christmas time when windows of the town blossom full and red, and when merchants show their brightest floral piece; the eager shoppers stop and turn to gaze upon the miracles of sun and rain and sod, they stare with reverent awe upon the whorls of crimson leaves, they smile as they recall someone to whom the gift would be so dear, they buy the Christmas rose and feel within their souls the vibrant, pulsing joy that others felt when once an evening star shed forth its wondrous light.

America of fireside and home is especially beautiful at Christmas time for father sets the Christmas tree while mother decks the mantel with tiny figurines and replicas of camels, a manger and a star; and little children hang their empty stockings upon the beam and watch with wistful eyes that show their faith and hope.

America of toyland and Santa Claus is especially beautiful at Christmas time for glad, young eyes keep watch at every store they pass, or bravely stand amid a crowd to get a glimpse of one who symbolizes all their world of make-believe; and happy hearts beat fast to see the magic of his cardinal cloak, his twinkling eyes, his big round smile; and merry lips repeat a well-earned "thank you" as the jolly man hands out his gifts; and deep within young hearts there grows a seed of faith and someday each will carry on for other childish hearts the legend of a man who lives to give.

America of gifts and wrappings of shiny ribbons and of gay designs is especially beautiful at Christmas time for people fill the sidewalks of the town as they parade from store to store and back to store again, their arms well-filled with packages of every shape and size; their shopping bags are near to bursting—but oh, the joy within their eyes as they plan and wrap and tie the gifts of love they plan to give on Christmas night; the glow around each giver's face is like the halo Mary saw reflected when wise men knelt and gave their frankincense and myrrh.

America of church and cross and liberty is especially beautiful at Christmas time for from the steeples tall and high there rings a lovely melody of bells and organ tones so near to angel songs that people everywhere recall the shepherd serenade of years and years ago.

America of rich and poor, of high and low, is especially beautiful at Christmas time for then it is that every faith and every social caste meets on one common ground—around a manger and a Child; and all join hands and hearts to sing and pray their glad and joyous hymns of praise.

America is especially beautiful at Christmas time.

Silverton Girls Win Second In Local Tournament

The Silverton Owlettes lost a tight championship game to the girl cagers from Kress last Saturday night in the finals of the Silverton Invitational Basketball Tournament. After jumping ahead of Kress in the first quarter and leading by a nice margin early in the second quarter, the Owlettes were cut to a one-point halftime lead. Throughout the second quarter the score saw-sawed a number of times with the lead never being more than six points for either

team. In the final two minutes of the game, two miscalculations by Silverton's guards gave Kress four quick points and the one-point lead which won them the championship.

The Owlettes had been divided into "A" and "B" teams for the tournament, and the six girls played the entire game with only two substitutes on the bench and with none of the Silverton girls fouling more than four times. The girls

"B" team defeated the Estelline girls earlier in the tournament, with Martina Williams scoring 18 points.

Jimmie Nell Reynolds was high point girl with 37 points, while Lou Thompson led the Kress girls with 30 points, most of which were made on free shots.

Owlette forwards Becky Malow and Sue Lanham, also played a good game, each girl making a nice percentage of the shots she attempted. Sue did some very good

rebounding and took some hard falls in her effort to hang onto the ball.

Guards Donna Payne, Deanna Ritchey and LaJuan Curby, also played well, and did a good job of rebounding.

The final score was 56-55. The Kress boys also took home a first-place trophy.

Members of the boys' all-tournament team were Leon Lovelace from second-place Farwell; Sammy Johnson, from third-place Quit-

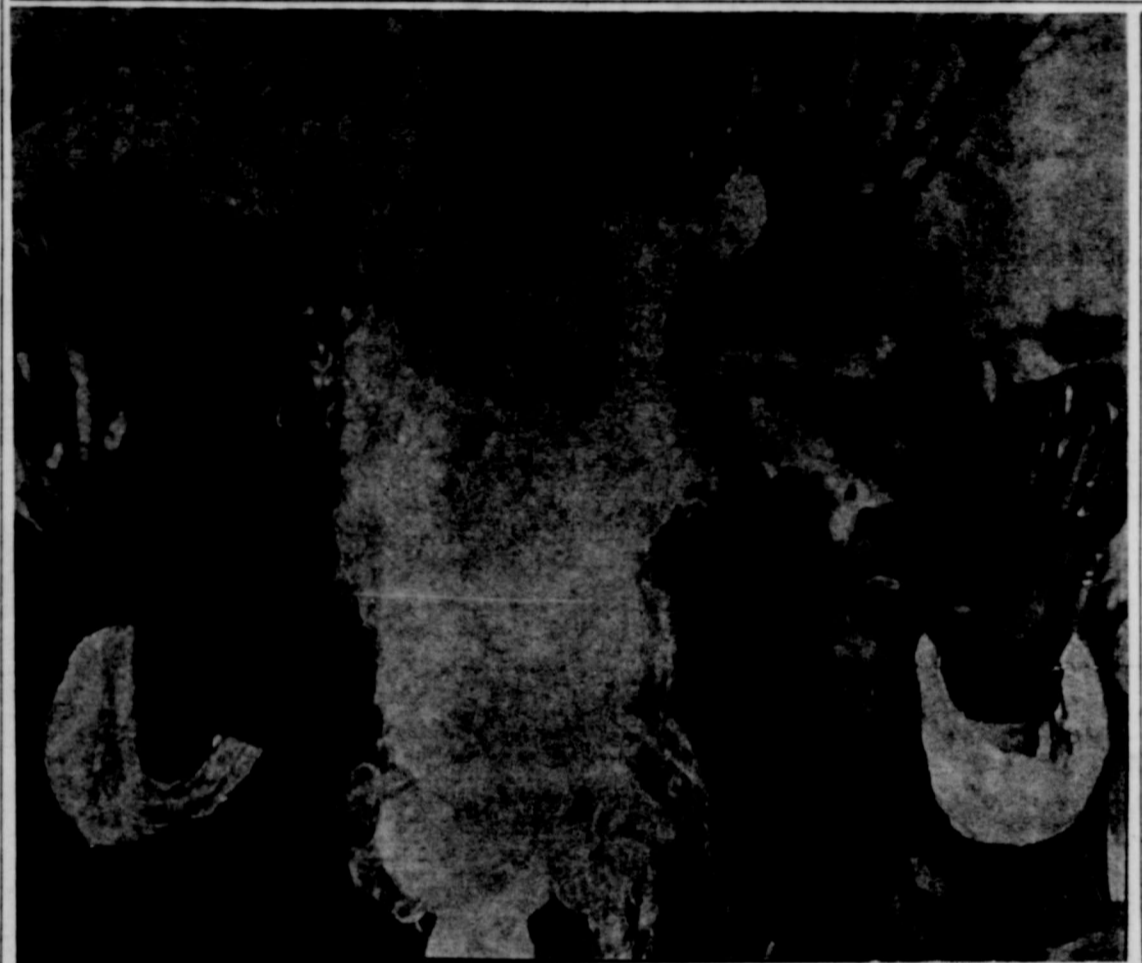
aque; Robert Rhode, Silverton; Chuck Saul, from first-place Kress; and Ted Barnes, Estelline.

The girls' all-tournament team was composed of Jimmie Nell Reynolds, Deanna Ritchey and Donna Payne, of second-place Silverton; Lou Thompson and Kay Campbell and Joyce Street of first-place Kress.

Mrs. C. R. Badgett, one of our senior citizens, has been quite ill with the flu at her home here.



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1961 Silverton (Briscoe County) Texas VOLUME 53 NUMBER 51



SANTA CLAUS PAID A VISIT TO SILVERTON last Saturday to be sure that everything is in readiness for Christmas and delivered a special sock of candy to the large group which was on hand to see him. When he stepped down from the fire engine he was mobbed by the anxious children.

"He was dressed all in fur from his head to his foot, And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot. A bundle of toys he had flung on his back, And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack." The appearance was made possible through a special arrangement with Eta Chi Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha International and Dr. R. F. McCasland of Tullia. —Briscoe County News Photo

SILVERTON RIDING CLUB INVITED TO SOUTHWESTERN EXPOSITION

The Silverton Riding Club has been invited by F. M. Dougherty, parade chairman, to participate in the opening day parade of the 1962 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show. The western parade through downtown Fort Worth

will start at 2 p.m. Friday, January 26.

More than 10,000 head of livestock will vie for honors at the 6-year old Fort Worth Stock Show, scheduled January 26 through February 4. The Southwestern Exposition is the nation's oldest major livestock show and site of the world's original indoor rodeo.

Check Your

Expiration Date

A number of the subscriptions to the Briscoe County News are expiring now. Your expiration date is shown to the right of the address on your newspaper this week. Please check to see if your subscription needs to be renewed.

The local subscription rate in Briscoe and adjoining counties is \$2.04 per year. Other subscriptions in Texas are \$3.06 per year. Outside of Texas the subscription rate is \$3.00 a year.

Mrs. B. F. Foster To Celebrate 83rd Birthday

Friends and relatives of Mrs. B. F. Foster are invited to Open House on her eighty-third birthday, Thursday, December 28, at the Lions Den in Kress, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. No gifts, please.

Silverton Cafe To Move To New Location

Agnes Bingham, owner of Silverton Cafe, has this week announced the purchase of a new location for her cafe. Mrs. Bingham has purchased the old Cowart Building across the street north of the First State Bank. Her brother, "Shorty" Donnell, is now engaged in remodeling the building to fit the needs of a cafe.

Ms. Bingham hopes to be open for business in the new location on January 1. The opening date will not be definite until the work is nearer completion.

Gerald Arnold, who has formerly occupied the building, is removing his business to his home here in Silverton.

MR. AND MRS. RUCKER TO CELEBRATE 50th ANNIVERSARY WITH OPEN HOUSE

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Rucker of Quitaque, will be honored on Sunday afternoon, December 24, their fiftieth wedding anniversary, at their home.

All of their friends are invited to call between the hours of 2:00 and 5:00 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller of Midland were guests of his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Miller, Karen and Pat, two nights early last week because of the snow and sleet.

SHELLIE TOMLIN SUCCEEDS GLEN LINDSEY AS MAYOR OF SILVERTON

Glen Lindsey, who has served since his election, has resigned the office of Mayor of Silverton.

The resignation was an automatic action, as Lindsey is no longer a resident of the city, having moved to their farm home near Silverton.

Shellie Tomlin, the senior member of the City Council, is now the Acting Mayor of Silverton. At the next City Council meeting someone will be appointed to fill Tomlin's position on the Council. A Mayor and/or council member will be chosen in the next election.



Ginning Report

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| Silverton Gin, Inc. | 3,052 |
| Dempsey Gin | 3,367 |
| Davis Gin | 1,458 |
| Tomlin-Fleming | 3,120 |
| Farmers Co-Op, Quitaque | 4,550 |
| Paymaster, Quitaque | 3,232 |
| TOTAL | 18,779 |

Cover Art By

Larry Smitherman

As in 1960, this year the artwork for the cover of this special edition was produced by Larry Smitherman of South Plains, Texas, who is an illustration student at the Colorado Institute of Art in Denver, Colorado.

Smitherman is in his fourth year at the Institute. For the past two years he has won honorable mentions in the Latham Foundation Poster Contest, in which there are more than thirty thousand entries annually from the United States and twenty foreign countries.

In his spare time, Smitherman does free-lance artwork in and around Denver, as well as completing jobs now and then in this area of Texas.

Rev. and Mrs. Jack Williamson and Mary Lynn of Mill Valley, California, arrived here Thursday for a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Loyd and family and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Williamson and Jerry.

Rev. and Mrs. Don Ledbetter, Donna and Debbie, of Mill Valley, California, arrived here Thursday for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Ledbetter, and brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Ledbetter and Gary Don.

News Office To Close for Holidays

While most local businesses are planning to close December 25, the office of the Briscoe County News will be closed from December 23 through December 31. Silverton Cafe will be closed both Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Mrs. Carl Crow, reporter of local news, is out of town for the holidays, and it will be greatly appreciated if you will contribute your local news items directly to the News office.

Bids Being Received On Buffalo Lake Concession

The Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife is now receiving bids for a new concession contract for Buffalo Lake. Future concession operation will be under a 20-year exclusive contract. In addition to listed operational proposals.

Interested persons may obtain bid invitations by contacting Mr. Robert L. Darnell, P. O. Box 228, Umbarger, Texas, telephone GY-9-2601.

The concession contract in force for the past 10 years will expire soon. Fees have not been charged for fishing, boating or skiing since November 30, 1961. The new contract to become effective during 1962, will provide for furnishing services and supplies needed by recreational users.

Sealed bids will be accepted by the Regional Director, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, Albuquerque, New Mexico, until 2:00 p.m. mountain standard time, January 4, 1962.

Bidders are urged to inspect the site to familiarize themselves with the type of operations to be conducted, government buildings available, and other pertinent details.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Whittemore were in Amarillo Friday evening to meet her sister, Mrs. Chester Lee, Don and Rickey, who flew there from Chula Vista, California. Mrs. Lee and the boys will be guests of her mother, Mrs. W. Alford, and other relatives for ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Kitchens were in Floydada on Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Glenn Smith and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. O. Riddell were in Lubbock on Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Owens and Eddie were in Silverton Saturday night for the ball games and to visit friends and relatives.



Jimmy Webb and Joe D. Gallington are shown inside a boxcar being loaded with magnesium sulfide. Seven carloads were shipped by Silverton Clay Products, Inc., last week to Haldor Topsoe in Hellrup, Denmark. —Briscoe County News Photo

Toni Rhode and John Burson, students at H-SU, are spending the holidays with their parents. John and Dave Schott, students at Tarleton College, are home for the holidays.

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GENERAL TELEPHONE
COMPANY OF THE SOUTHWEST

From The County Agent's Office

We all hear a lot about the use of wheat and grain stubble and cotton burs to increase the organic matter content of the soil. But, what is organic matter and what function does it have in the soil? You might say that organic matter is the storehouse of plant nutrients in your soil. It is literally the "Fat of the Land." Organic matter results from the decomposition of plant and animal materials by soil organisms. On the average it contains about 56 percent carbon and 5 percent nitrogen.

You may ask, of what value is organic matter in the soil? Organic matter improves soil structure with a corresponding increase in the rate of infiltration and water storage capacity. Organic matter improves soil aeration, loosens dense, compact soils, at the same time granulating loose, open, soils to give them a friable, crumb structure. Organic matter exerts a strong influence on the exchange

capacity of the soil, and also acts as a buffer to prevent rapid changes of fluctuations in soil acidity or alkalinity. During the decomposition of organic matter, a continuous supply of carbon dioxide, nitrogen in various forms, phosphorus and other nutrients so essential to plant growth are liberated.

Organic matter serves as a storage facility for mineral nutrients such as calcium, magnesium, nitrogen and many others, making them less likely to be lost in drainage or water seepage. Organic matter makes the soil more favorable for vigorous, rapidly developing root systems of young plants.

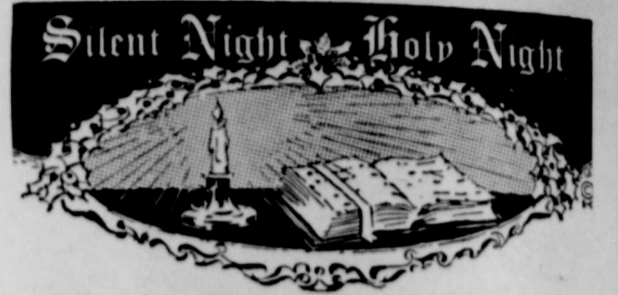
Continuous cultivation without attention to regular additions of residues gradually lowers the organic matter of your soils. This level may become so low that maximum production cannot be obtained. Regular additions of cotton burs to your land will offset this

condition. Cotton, a clean-tilled crop, does not produce much residue; for this reason, you need to restore regularly the organic matter which is lost during the cultivation of the crop.

Soil organic matter decomposes relatively fast when Ph, moisture temperatures and aeration conditions are favorable. In this area conditions are favorable for the rapid decomposition over long periods. Therefore, we are not able to accumulate in our soils a high content of organic matter. For maximum production, regular additions of residues should be made to such soils to maintain a favorable balance.

Cotton burs and other crop residues are relatively high in carbon and low in nitrogen. Their decomposition process temporarily uses up much of the available nitrogen in the soil. To avoid this situation,

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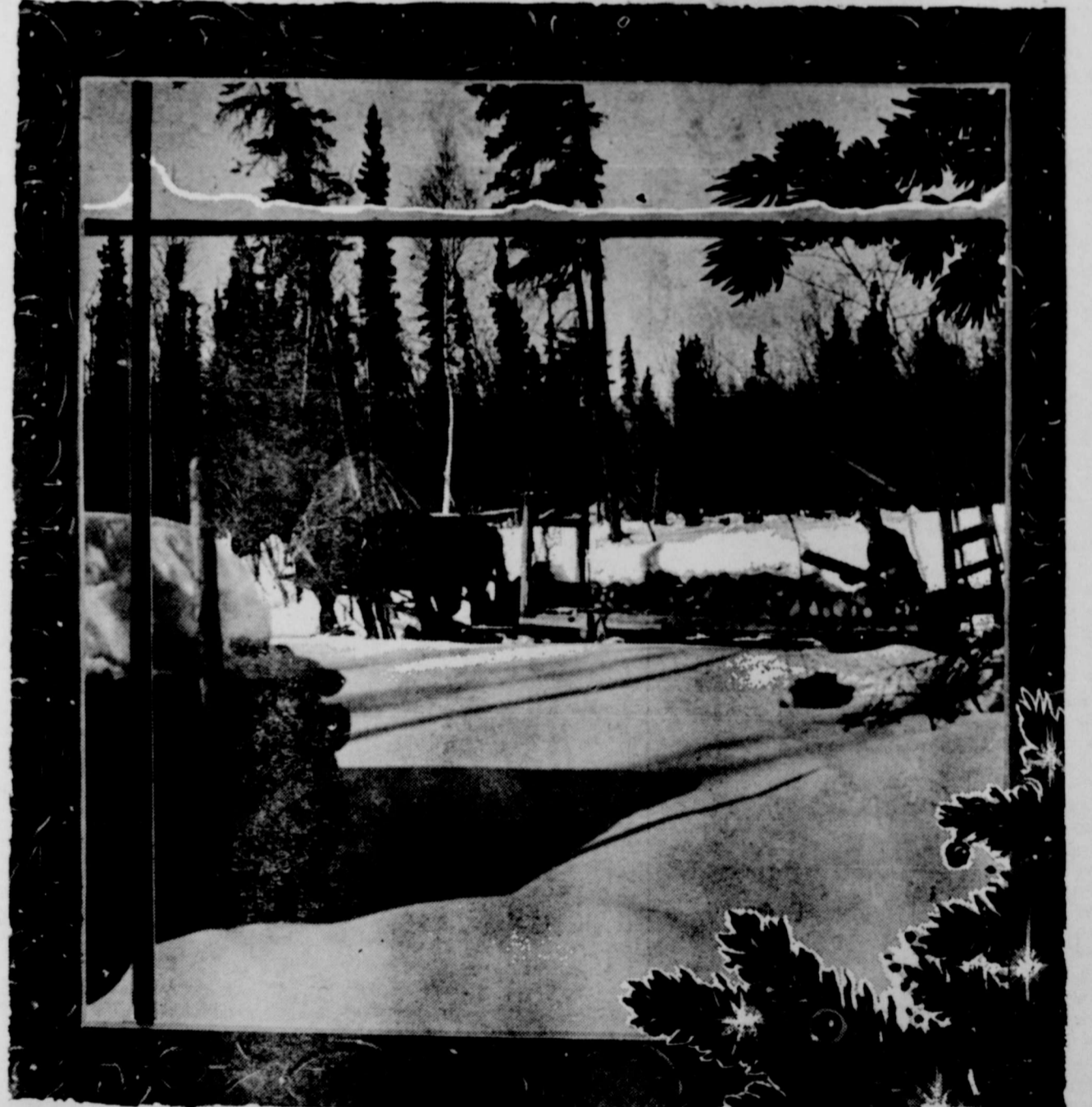
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Silverton Gin, Inc.

Merry Christmas

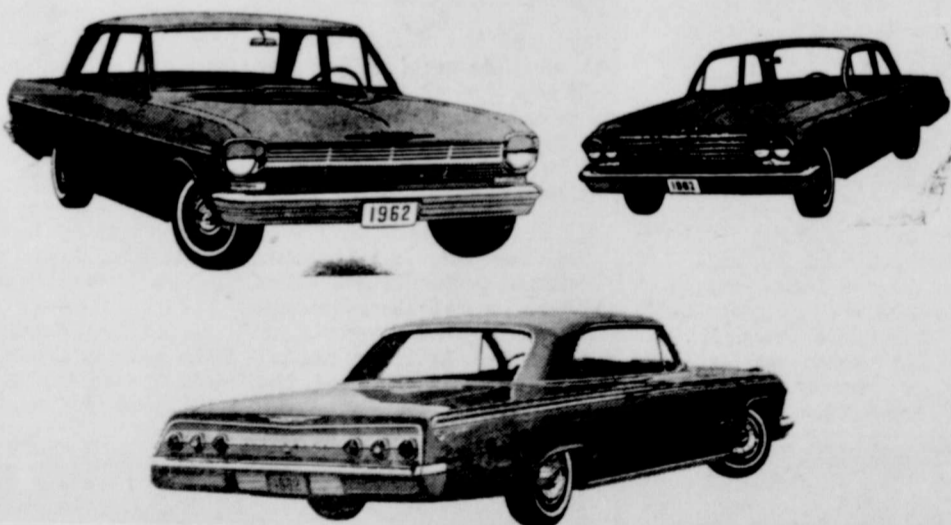


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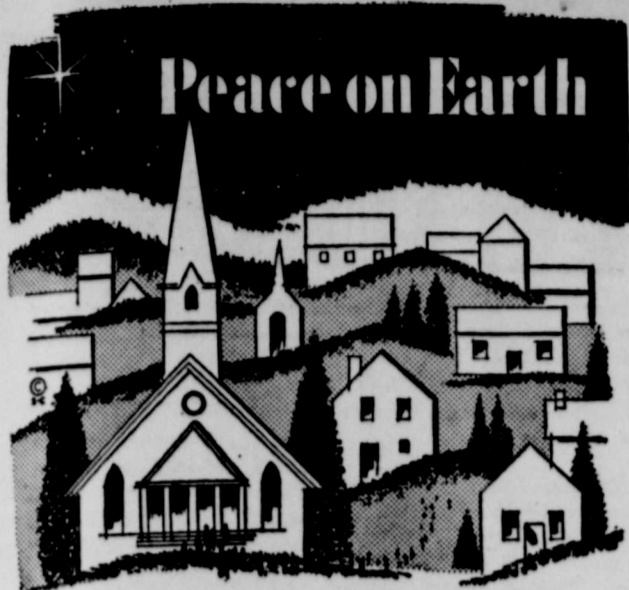
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GOOD WILL TOWARD ALL MEN

May the Star of Bethlehem light our way to a lasting peace during this holy Christmas season.

THE HOUSE OF GIFTS

Roy, Zollie and Sam Brown
Charlsie and Doug Arnold

From The County Agent's Office

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apply burs well in advance of the crop season or supplement them with additional nitrogen from a

chemical source.

Nitrogen plowed down with cotton burs is beneficial in the following ways:

1. It hastens the transformation of cotton burs or other residue into

active organic matter.

2. It results in a larger amount or active organic matter from a given quantity of crude cotton burs.

3. It provides an additional supply of available nitrogen for the crop that follows.

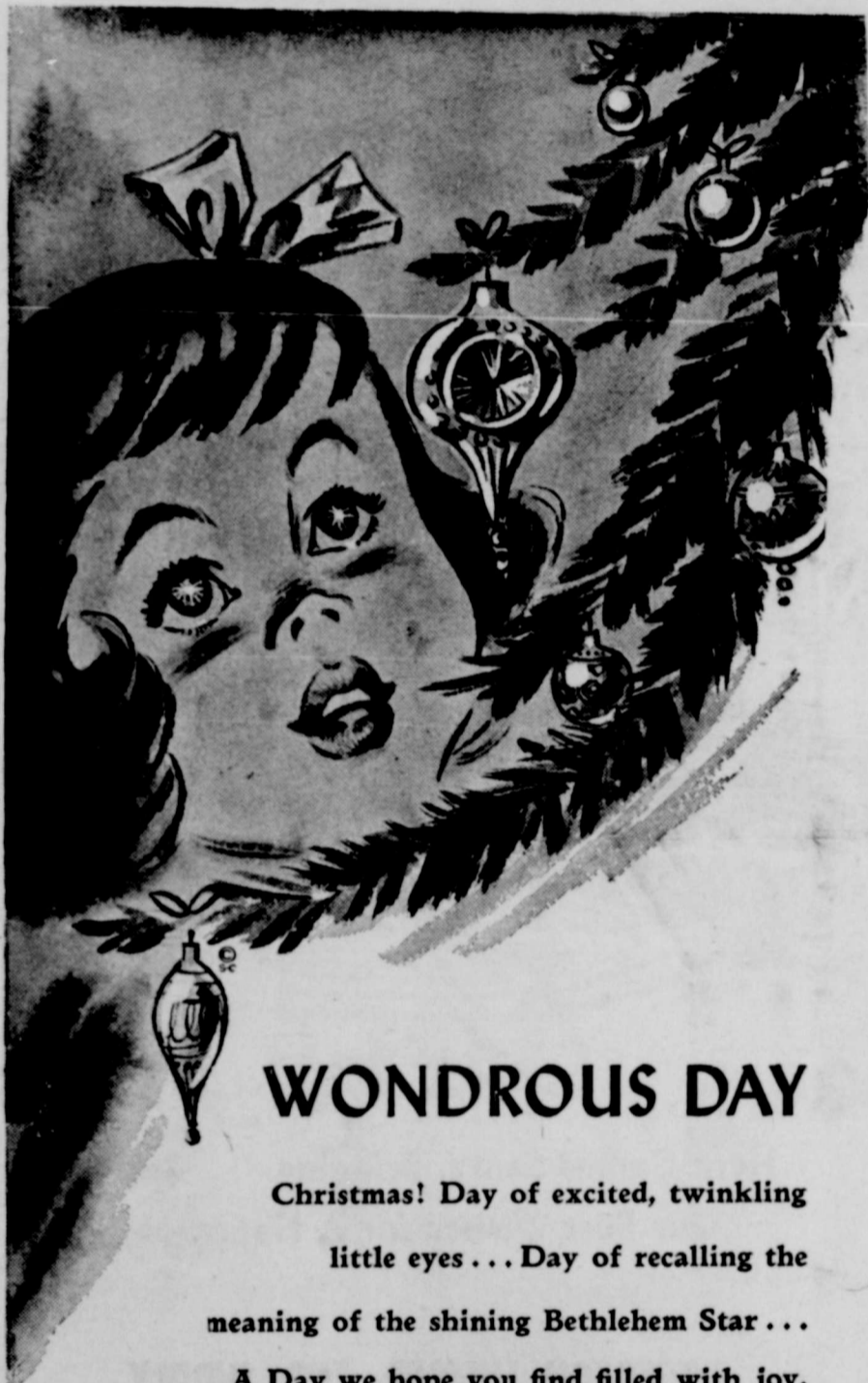
4. It prevents any depression in yield which may result from plowing down heavy applications of cotton burs which are high in woody materials and low in nitrogen.

We also should remember that decomposition of materials is accomplished by small organisms in the soil. These organisms are only active when the soil temperature is 60 degrees or higher. Also, a good rule of thumb when applying chemical fertilizer to burs or stubble is 20 pounds of actual nitrogen should be applied for every ton of residue applied. Sometime when you have extra heavy wheat or grain stubble and the carbon-nitrogen ratio is very wide, you may need to go to 30 pounds of nitrogen.



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CENTURY OF PROGRESS STUDY CLUB in the bazaar. Shown are Christi Northcutt, Mrs. Pat Northcutt, Mrs. J. W. Reid, Jr., Mrs. Carl Dean Bomar, Susan Northcutt, Mrs. D. T. Northcutt, Mrs. John Gill, and Mrs. Fred Mercer. —Briscoe County News Photo

OF INTEREST TO
Women

Study Club To Meet In Strange Home

The Century of Progress Study Club will meet for their regular business meeting on December 27, 1961, in the home of Mrs. Norman Strange.

The program will be entitled "Unlatching The Door To Knowledge." The program will be given by Mrs. Carl D. Bomar and Mrs. Pat Northcutt.

Carl D. Bomar.
Approximately twenty couples attended.

Hostesses For Book Shower and Tea

The March of Time Study Club expresses their appreciation to the people of Briscoe County for their participation at the Silver Tea and Book Shower held on December 16th.

Thirty-one dollars was given for the library. Seven new books were donated.

Mrs. Troy Burson and Mrs. Roy Mayfield served coffee and cookies from a table laid with white linen. A Christmas motif was used in decorating the center of the serving table.

Study Club members brought their gifts for the State Hospital at Wichita Falls.

HELPING HAND CLUB MEETS IN BALDWIN HOME

The Helping Hand Club met in the home of Mrs. Nettie V. Baldwin Thursday, December 14. The afternoon was spent exchanging Christmas gifts and visiting.

Members present were Mmes. Zoe Steele, Fannie Francis, Nelda Jasper, Miriam Jowell, Mae Pearl Rowell, Pearl Lanham, Ima Nell Francis, Lois Nance, Lorene Crass, LaVern Mercer and the hostess.

Vici and Micki Jasper and Dan came after school and enjoyed a short visit. We missed the other two members who were unable to come, Mrs. Ethel Fitzgerald and Mary John Harris.

The club's annual Christmas party will be Thursday, December 21, at 6:30 p.m. in the P.C.A. community room.

Mrs. Jim Mercer was a patient in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo last week.

Mrs. Jim Clemmer and James were in Tulia last week having his eyes and glasses checked.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Crass attended the L.C.C. vs. Wayland College Freshman basketball game in Lubbock Thursday evening of last week. Bob Crass, their son, is on the L.C.C. team.

Mrs. H. E. Fowler has gone to Portland to stay with her son, Charles Quillen. Pat and Mike, while Mrs. Quillen is in a Corpus Christi Hospital undergoing surgery and recuperation.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Norris and family of Monahans, have been recent weekend visitors here with his mother, Mrs. Mart Norris, and other relatives.

Study Club Members Enjoy Christmas Party

Members of the Century of Progress Study Club entertained their husbands with a Christmas dinner party Tuesday evening in the dining room of the "66" Restaurant. A lovely buffet style dinner was served to all the members and guests.

The dining room was beautifully decorated in a western Christmas motif.

A quartet composed of Jerry

Garrison, Linda Harvell, Gail Whitfill and Sheryl May, accompanied at the piano by Susie Hill, entertained the guests with Christmas music during the meal.

Mrs. Clifton Guice read a poem, "The Night Before Christmas in Texas," which was acted out by Steve Harvell, who played Santa Claus.

Santa distributed the gifts which were exchanged by the members,

after which an old-fashioned sing song of Christmas music was enjoyed by everyone.

An enjoyable evening was ended after playing games led by Mrs. James Davis.

Hostesses for this holiday party were Mrs. E. A. Birdwell, Mrs. Joe Montague and Mrs. Jack Strange.

The entertainment and decoration committee was Mrs. Clifton Guice, Mrs. James Davis and Mrs.



Tidings
of great joy

To each of you, we extend our heartfelt wish that this Christmas season brings you peace and happiness.

Jewell and J. W. Lyon, Jr.



Here Comes Santa, Bringing Our Best Wishes for A Happy Holiday..

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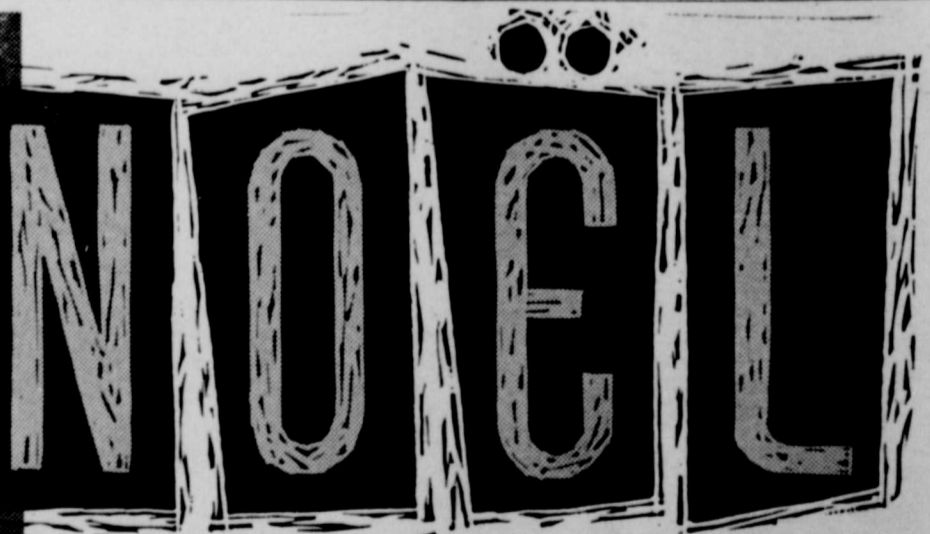


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May Christmas, 1961, once again remind us of our Christian faith that we may reaffirm a divine belief in an ever-living God for it is through him that all blessings flow!

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COMPANY

GREETINGS!



DEAR FRIEND,
Just a few lines to let you know we appreciate your loyal patronage, and wish you a very Merry Christmas!

ALLARD BUTANE

Quilts News

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Brown of Matador were visiting with friends in Quilts Tuesday.

Bobby Broxson of Sunray returned Mr. N. L. Bedwell home Wednesday. He had been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Opal Broxson, for the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. John King and Danny Mayfield were visiting and shopping in Lubbock Thursday.

Mr. Virgil Skinner, Mr. J. B. Tiffin, Mr. Lester Tiffin, Mrs. Bettie George, Mrs. Charles Gowin, went to Maud, Oklahoma, Friday to attend the funeral of an aunt and cousin, Mrs. S. A. Gowin. They returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Person were in Lubbock Thursday visiting their daughter, Mrs. Rayford Hewett, and to do some shopping.

Mrs. Ober Johnson, Mrs. John Fulton, Mrs. Glen Ramsey, and Mrs. Arthur Barrett were shopping in Plainview Wednesday.

Mrs. Frank Sachse returned home Thursday from Lubbock after several weeks' stay recovering from a broken hip.

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Harvey visit-

ed Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Frank Sachse.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Blankenship and Carol, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hawkins of Lockney, Mr. Mort Hawkins visited with Mr. Bert Hawkins in the Taylor Clinic and Hospital at Lubbock Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lockett Payne of Crosbyton spent Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. Mort Hawkins.

Mr. John Rogers and Mr. Charles Gowin were in Amarillo Monday on business.

J. Royce Bradshaw of Turkey spent Thursday night with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith.

Mrs. Horace McDonald took Patsy to the doctor for a check up in Lockney Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Cross of Paducah visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Norvelle Hamilton.

Mrs. Norvelle Wise took her father, W. P. Hawkins, back to the hospital at Plainview Saturday. He hasn't been doing very well.

Mr. and Mrs. George Setliff of Turkey visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Norvell Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Morris went to Hereford Sunday to visit their son, Mr. and Mrs. Carkey Morris and Celia Ann. They returned home Monday. Celia Ann accompanied them home.

Mr. Danny Morris and children Debbie, Ronnie and Kevin, of Granada Hills, California, arrived Monday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Morris.



Glad Tidings of Joy to everyone

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES GOWIN



JOY
... and gladness to one and all this Christmas!

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Here's hoping Santa treats you right and fills your stocking with the gifts of Joy and Gladness... and a Happy Christmas!

TOMLIN - FLEMING GIN



...at this Holy Season

May the peace and joy be with you
IN AND OUT DRIVE IN

JAMES, LALLIE AND JERRY



Betty's Beauty Salon



SEASON'S GREETINGS

CITY TAILORS
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sharp

O Come, ALL Ye Faithful



*As joyful
Christmas hymns ring out,
so do our
very best wishes.*

JOYOUS NOEL
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*Merry
Christmas*

TO OUR FRIENDS

We pause from worldly labors to give thanks for kindness in the past, and wish you Christmas joys that last and last.

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FRANCES

**School Officials
Attend Meeting**

Tuesday, December 12, Mr. J. S. Hinds and Mr. O. C. Rampley, the superintendent and principal of Silverton High School, attended a District Administrative Meeting at Estelline Texas. The topic discussed at the meeting was "New Accreditation Standards."

**Thanks, Typing
Customers!**

Thanks to the response people have made to the typing service offered by the FBLA and to the hard work of the Silverton FBLA Chapter enough money has been earned by the chapter to pay for over half the cost of a sweater for each member.

So thanks to all you customers of the FBLA Typing Service for making it possible for the FBLA members to receive their sweaters for Christmas. Keep the work coming!

**Charter Officers
Elected**

By Robert Hughes

Tuesday, December 12, the Zenith Chapter of the National Honor Society of Silverton High School elected its charter officers. Those elected were as follows: Robert Hughes, president; Carolyn Garrison, vice-president; Becky Mallow, secretary; Larry Elms, treasurer.

As this is the first year Silverton High School has ever had a chapter of the National Honor Society, we should be especially proud of these charter officers.

The chapter will hold an induction ceremony to install the charter members and officers soon after the Christmas holidays.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,

I have been a very good little girl. For Christmas I would like matching dresses, pink or blue, for my dolly and me, and matching bows to go in our hair.

Thank you Santa,
Fay Lynn Perkins

G. W. Chappell has recently attended a series of schools in Frigidaire Products in Fort Worth.



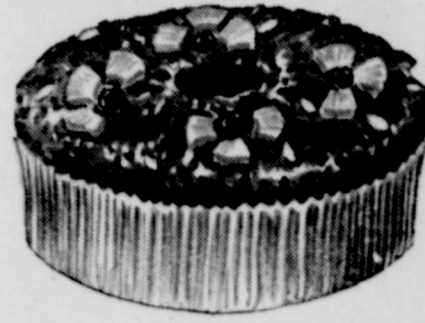
**Blessings to one
and all this day.**

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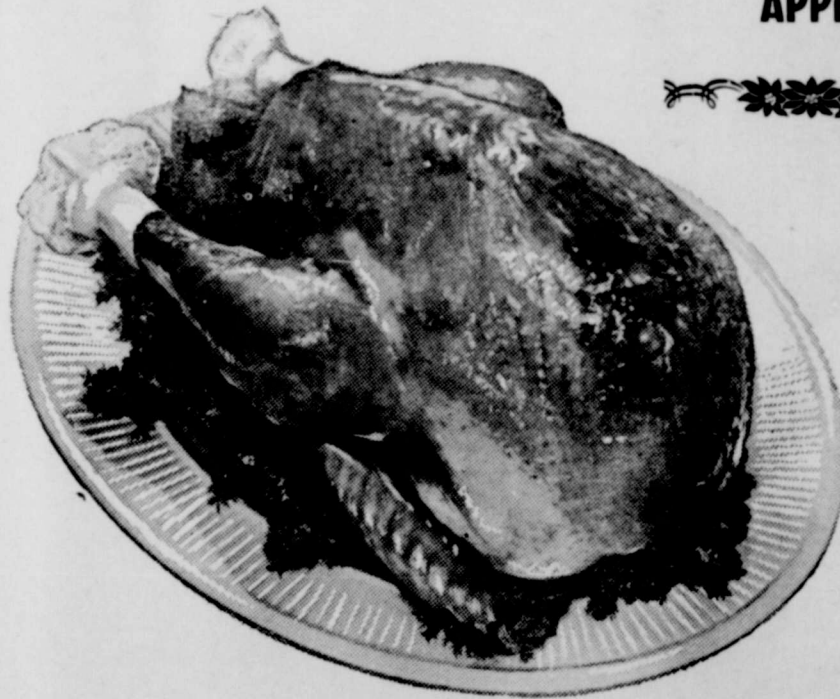


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sidered the last month or so winter, but as you see, we're just getting started!

With Christmas just four days away, most of us are wishing secretly for the traditional White Christmas. However, this part of Texas has a notoriously bad habit of giving us completely sunshiny Christmases.

Due to the lack of space in this Christmas Edition, it was not possible to get all the school news in this issue. Several other articles from the OWL'S HOOT will be in the New Year's Edition.



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Merry Christmas from the 'Owl's Hoot'

The OWL'S HOOT Staff takes this opportunity to wish all its readers, both students and adults, a very merry Christmas and the happiest of New Years.

The OWL'S HOOT has in weeks past has tried to present school news and school nonsense in an interesting, "readable" manner, and it is our hope that we have succeeded in our efforts to present school happenings in such

a way that will do justice to the writing as well as creative talents of our Staff.

This is the OWL'S HOOT fourth year of publication. It was started in 1958 under the leadership of Mrs. O. C. Rampley, sponsor of the Future Business Leaders of America, and is still under her able and competent supervision.

There are many people who work to put out a paper each week

who receive very little recognition. Their names don't appear on the Masthead, for it would take practically the entire page to name everyone who aids in its publication. These people are the various reporters of the clubs and organizations, typists, informers (who supply the invaluable information to Peepin' Tom), grade school and high school teachers who turn in their class and departmental news,

and numerous others.

Possibly the two people who deserve the most recognition and credit are Mary Ann and Charles Sarchet, who so graciously consent to print our page in their newspaper.

It is to the Sarchets and Mrs. Rampley that we respectfully dedicate this Christmas issue of the OWL'S HOOT.



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S.H.S. SPORTS

The Silverton Tournament here last week-end was a great success as eight teams battled during the three-day event for the trophies presented Saturday night at the conclusion of the final games.

The tournament began last Thursday as each team played its first game while hoping to be on its way to first place. The results of the first round of games are as follows:

- Silverton "B" 11—Quitauque 77
- Estelline 36—Kress 46
- Memphis 40—Farwell 56
- Turkey 33—Silverton 53

Although the "B" team lost by a wide margin, they did a good job in holding a team that had been averaging 81 points a game to only 77 points. Emmett Tomlin and Orville Turner tied for high point honors.

In the last game of this round, the Owls breezed by the Turkey Turks after a very slow start in the first quarter when Turkey was leading. The team finally started clicking again as they scored 17 points in the second quarter to 4 points for Turkey. Fred Stafford contributed greatly to the final score of 53 to 33 with 18 points for the Owls.

Semi-Finals

The results of the first round of play threw winning teams and losing teams together in the semi-final battles. The results of these contests are as follows:

- Consolation semi-finals,
- Silverton "B" 18—Estelline 43
- Memphis 77—Turkey 27
- Semi-finals for first place,
- Quitauque 44—Kress 46
- Farwell 64—Silverton 55

The "B" team was outscored 18-43 as they made a vigorous try led by Roy Gene Stephens in points as they gained more valuable experience for future basketball games. We feel this team sibilities for the future.

In the Silverton vs. Farwell game the Owls were leading at the end of the first quarter, but the Steers began to pull ahead and were leading at the half. It was a hard fought battle all the way with a final score of 64-55. Although Silverton lost this game, we feel it was one of the best games played by the Owls when they were on the lower end of the score.

Finals

Memphis won the consolation with 42 points to Estelline's 39. The third place trophy was seized by Quitauque with 60 points to Silverton's 40.

The Owls seemed to have been slowed by the Quitauque Panthers in this contest for the third place trophy. The Quitauque team did some fine shooting as the home team looked good in spots on both offense and defense, but just couldn't seem to get going smoothly enough to climb ahead of the Panthers.

The Kress team did a fine job as they went all the way in the tournament without a loss and played the final game with results as follows: Kress 58—Farwell 43.

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It was a hot time in the old town for the Owlettes Thursday night as they pounced the Turkey

six 72-31.

The Turks got off to a very fast start as the score stood 6-0, with the Owlettes trailing, and only two minutes left in the first quarter. But that was the last of that part, as the score read 20 to 10, with the Turks trailing, at the end of the first quarter.

The second quarter was only

more action for the Owlettes and the score at the half was 44-16.

The guards proved to be just pretty good forwards, and forwards good guards the last half, as just about everybody switched about and played their opposite. The scoring below will show you how good they really were. Sue Lanham netted 24 points, Jimmy Nell Reynolds 19, Becky Mallow 10, Sharon Weaver 6, LaJuan Curry 6, Donna Payne 4, and Deanna Ritchie 2.

This victory moved the Owlettes in the running for first place.

Friday night the Owlettes tangled with the Friona "B" team. This game wasn't so easy for Silverton as the score was only 22 to 16 at the half.

The second half was much better as the final score stood 47 to 34.

The Championship game Saturday night was a thrilling game for everyone.

When the Owlettes were 16 points ahead in the second quarter, they didn't know what a big disappointment faced them when the final buzzer rang.

The Kress Kangaroos kept creeping closer and closer to the Owlettes and at halftime were one point ahead of Silverton with the scoreboard reading 31-30.

The second half was only more exciting action at it was mostly "two points for you—two points for me." The Owlettes needed three points just one of those times to get even. The final score read 55-54 with Kress the Champion of the Silverton Tournament.

Jimmy Nell Reynolds scored 37 points for high point honors. Sue Lanham had 9 and Becky Mallow netted 8.

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All-Tournament Team

Silverton players listed on the All-Tournament Team were Robert Rhode for the boys' and Donna Payne, Deanna Ritchie, and Jimmy Nell Reynolds for the girls' team. These players did a wonderful job and Silverton High is proud of them.

Owls Sadden Happy

The tournament-winning Happy Cowboys were baffled Tuesday night, December 12, as the Silverton Owls breezed by them with a 54-35 victory at the Happy gymnasium.

The start of the game was fairly slow with a tied score of 18-18 ending the first half. The second half began a rally by the inspired Owls as they sank 36 points which was twice as many as in the first half.

Kenny Thornton and Fred Stafford did some fine playing as they scored 13 points each themselves and were largely responsible for several other points besides.

The team was very proud of reaching two goals during this game besides setting the season records on nearly all statistics. The boys hit approximately 45% of their field goals and 55% of their free shots. The score of 55 points was the highest scored this season by the Owls, and the team had three men with two-digit numbers of individual points scored.

These seem to be very healthy signs and with a team like this and with continued improvement, the future looks very bright.

LUNCHROOM MENU

Thursday, December 21
Barbecue on buns, pork and beans, potato chips, apples, and milk.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

If you could have a Christmas wish, what would you wish?

Peggy Phillips — I'd wish for a doll — about 6 ft. 2 in. tall, blue eyes, and very athletic.

Kiela Oneal — I wish school would turn out for ever and ever and everybody could get an education without going to school.

Larry May — I'd wish for all the time I wanted for sleeping.

Peggy Mercer — I wish everybody would be happy and have a Merry Christmas.

Roy Gene Stephens — I wish for the prettiest girl in high school.

Helen Lewis — I'd wish I were 18.

Dick Reid — I wish for a 40-foot Cadillac.

Three girls wish Santa would bring them a gym all their own so they could scrimmage.

Riley Harris — I wish Santa Claus would marry Mrs. Lacy and carry her off to the North Pole.

Kenneth Cole — I wish I could catch up in my studies so I could play basketball and run track.

Virginia Shelton — I'd declare everyday a national holiday.

Johnny Jowell — I wish for 40 feet of snow and no school.

—The Roving Reporter

All High School Christmas Party Today

This afternoon, the annual all high school Christmas party will be held in the study hall. This event, the climax of the Christmas Season will be the end of Dress-Up Day, the day all the high school comes dressed in their best.

There will be refreshments for everyone and various entertainment features including a parody on the famous poem, "A Visit From St. Nicholas," done by the Senior girls, Robert Hughes, and Jerry Williamson.

Following the party, school will be dismissed for the Christmas holidays.

PEEPIN' TOM

It seemed only too obvious when the janitor discovered four little boys locked away in his tool room the other day. Just what were you doing Joe K., Jerry B., Ronnie H., and Jimmy P.?

Isn't there a new romance going on between Marcalyn and B. D.? They seem terribly friendly in the hall.

Camellia, the reason Tony couldn't call you is that Kiela was talking to T. D. and Sandy was talking to Ray. Oh, these party-line affairs!

If anyone got a bad sandwich during the tournament last week-end, just see Sue, Mary, and Mac about it. They have a habit of grinding up paring knives with the tuna.

We've noticed several couples that are getting rather "close" lately. Among them are Billy Hamilton and Peggy Phillips, Kenny Thornton and Helen Lewis, Bill Schott and Sharon Weaver, Mike Ridgley and Pat Cagle (?). And we're wondering about a few more including Jimmy Nell Reynolds and Charles Sullivan.

We've noticed that Larry Elms seems more than mildly interested in Linda Harvell. Oops! There we go trying to make a match!

It's surprising how a girl will work when she sees some boy being carted off by another female, especially when she considered the boy more or less her own private property. But we shan't call any names!

Student Council Holds Door-Decorating Contest

Each year the Student Council of Silverton High School holds a door-decorating contest. Each class in high school chooses a door and decorates it. A committee of teachers then judge the efforts and a prize is awarded to the winning class. The beautifully decorated doors seen around the school are the results of this contest.

NOTABLE NOTES

By Robert Hughes

The Gift That Keeps On Giving

What if you knew that this were the last Christmas you were ever going to celebrate? Would your attitude toward Christmas be any different? Would your actions be any different? Would you still be more concerned with what you were getting for Christmas than with what you were giving? Would you still be placing as much interest on the material, commercial side of Christmas? Would you still be thinking about Santa Claus? Would you still be forgetting what Christmas is? Would your Christmas spirit be as likely to disappear the moment the tree was down, not to reappear until next December?

With all the bargaining and buying, cheating and charging, dining and drinking that goes on during the Christmas season, it is a difficult thing to creep away from the Christmas crush to take an objective look at our methods and motives for celebrating the birthday of Jesus Christ. Perhaps it would be a good thing for all of us to ask ourselves the questions listed in the first paragraph and see how we would answer them.

I don't believe that if this were going to be the last Christmas that people's attitudes would be more inclined toward discovering how wonderful Christmas really is, not how wonderful it can be made. Santa Claus would probably be faced with a sudden drop in popularity. And above all, Christmas Spirit would probably enjoy the longest life span in its history. People would not be so willing to shed the unselfishness, cheerfulness, friendliness, charity, compassion, and good will which make up the once-a-year suit of Christmas Spirit if they realized that it would never be put on again.

Christmas should not be a momentary truce in the war of worldly living. Christmas should be, and is, always; because Christmas is, after all, the celebration of God's glorious gift to the world—that unspeakable sacrifice that has itself been the gift that has kept on giving.

SENIORS TO HAVE CHRISTMAS PARTY

Tomorrow night, Friday, December 22, the Seniors will have their annual Christmas party at the home of their sponsor, Mr. Bill Verden.

Members are reminded that boys should bring a boy's gift and girls should bring a girl's gift. The price for gifts is \$1.00 to \$1.50.

F.B.L.A. CHRISTMAS PARTY HELD RECENTLY

By Shelia Jarnagin

The Annual F.B.L.A. Christmas Party was held in the high school library during activity period on December 14, 1961.

Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sarchet, Mr. Alvin Redin, who are honorary members, and the high school teachers. Forty-one F.B.L.A. members were present.

Christmas songs were sung by Sharon Weaver, Edith Miller, and Jerry Garrison at the piano.

The wall behind the serving table was decorated with large Christmas ornaments overhanging the words "Merry Christmas To The Business World." The table was arrayed with Christmas sandwiches, Yule Log cakes, and red and green pops. China figurine bells were given as plate favors.

Copies of the weekly OWL'S HOOT were distributed and the party dismissed to attend the first game of the Silverton Tournament.

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Mrs. O. C. Rampley, F.B.L.A. Sponsor, presented the chapter's officers with gold symbols of their office during club Christmas party. Becky Mallow, President, received the gavel; Ann Wingo, Treasurer, the key; Larry Elms, Vice-President, the torch; and Barbara Fisch, Secretary, the quill.
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Mrs. Gwen Davidson of Clarendon spent the weekend with her uncle, Mr. Ollie Nall.

Those visiting with Mr. Mrs. Warren Payne and family Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Es Hughes and family, Mr. Ma Hughes, Jr. and children of D bock, Mr. and Mrs. Everett W ack and girls of Amarillo.

WHAT ABOUT CHRISTMAS??

That songs, plays, musicals, etc., as religious activities, Christmas season are beautiful, effective, and appealing, surely none will deny. Still, since man must conform to God's will to receive His promises, the question must be asked, "What must God think about it?" We would leave a few thoughts for you to ponder.

An allwise God nowhere left us the time of His Son's birth. Had he have wanted it observed, surely He wouldn't have been so absent-minded. About the only thing certain about the time of our Savior's birth is that it WAS NOT Christmas time. This is regarded as certain.

God's word, our guide to perfection (2 Tim 2:16, 17), never authorized any celebration of Christ's birth. To engage in any worship NOT AUTHORIZED is "vain". (Matt 15:9). Christ's resurrection is that which is to be celebrated. It happened on the first day of the week. Christmas in Apostolic times celebrated His death as often as the first day of the week came.

There is no harm in social gatherings, interchanging of gifts and presents, and other kindly offices; but to make it appear as a religious service, done on, and motivated by the birthday of our Savior, may have your or my authority, but it does not have God's authority. Sincere people will do well to hear God again when He says, "Ye shall not ADD unto the word which I command you, neither ye diminish aught from it." (Deut 4:2).

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