



This week we present to you the Index's 39th Christmas Edition and our 16th such edition since moving here.

Without exception the firms appearing in this week's advertisements were anxious to send their greetings and their APPRECIATION to you for business afforded them during the year now rapidly closing.

It is also the wish of the publisher to thank this week's advertisers as well as the week to week advertisers and the readers of this newspaper for their goodwill and friendship.

God willing, the Smiths plan to be away a few days at Dallas and at Dime Box.

The Index will NOT be published next Wednesday but will go in the mails the following Wednesday, January 4th.

Bless us one and all at this time of Jesus's Birthday.

We join you all in Christian love: The Ed., his Bride, the Boys— and THE BOSS—Michelle.

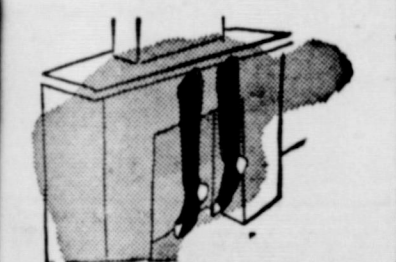
Following are the local firms sending greetings—

Wells Co-op Gin, O'Donnell Auto Supply, Gibson Motor Freight, Vernon Cook, Hash Cleaners, Thompson, Cicero Smith Lumber Co., son Tokery, Moore Insurance Agency, Cicero Smith Lumber Co., Lott Pharmacy, Rumblo Clinic, Singleton Appliance, Higginbotham - Bartlett Lumber Co., First National Bank of O'Donnell, Forbes Motor Co., Paymaster Gin, Ellis Chevrolet, Jones Service Station, Smylie Variety, C. & W. Tractor Shop, O'Donnell Implement Co., O'Donnell

Compress, O'Donnell Farmers Co-op Gin and Elevator, O'Donnell Farmers Fuel Association, Claude's Boot and Shoe Shop, Lamesa Steam Laundry, Highway Garage.

C. J. Beach, Wayland Taylor, Inc Mrs. Maggie Spears School Store, Gibson Insurance Agency, Edwards Implement Co., Quick Service Station, Sanders Meat Co., W. J. Shook, Barrington Gro., Rebel Beauty Shop, Max Co.

Jan Service Station at Y, La Verne's Beauty Shop, York Laundry, Rains Col-Text Station, Everett Barber Shop



Ossian Smith filled the pulpit at First Methodist Church giving a devotional on Christmas. The pastor presented him with his license to preach. Ossian also gave a Christmas devotional at high school assembly Wednesday.

Dear Santa — I am a little boy two years old. I believe according to my Other-Daddy that I have been especially good. I would like very much for you to bring me a big red tractor with a trailer. Please remember my friend, Ben Doss. He wants a big red wagon. DAN MOYTT

**CHANGES MADE IN S. S. LAW TO BENEFIT MANY**

The 1960 amendments to the social security law reduce by about one-third the length of time a person has to work under social security to become insured for the payment of benefits to himself and his family.

Some 400,000 people are now eligible for cash benefits because of this change in the law, including many widows, dependent husbands and widowers already at or beyond the retirement age, and minor children of deceased workers. First payments to newly eligible persons will be for the month of October, 1960.

Under the new rule, persons reaching retirement age (65 for men, 62 for women) this year need only about 3 years of work under social security instead of the 4 1-2 to 5 years required by the old law. If you reach retirement age any time next year, you will need to have worked under social security for only 3 1-4 years instead of the 5 to 5 1-4 years required before the change in the law. There is, however, a minimum requirement of a year and half of work under social security without which no benefits can become payable.

There are a number of people in Lynn, Borden and Dawson counties who will now be able to get monthly payments as a result of this change.

The change in law also provides monthly benefits are now payable to all children under age 18 whose fathers are deceased, providing he was insured, regardless of whether or not the minor child is living with and chiefly supported by a stepfather. Under the old law dependency on the step father prevented payment on the natural father's earnings record.

A representative of the Lubbock Social Security office will be in O'Donnell on Wednesday, Dec. 28th in the elementary school at 2 p. m. and will be glad to assist in all matters pertaining to social security.

Mr and Mrs. Wayne Clayton left Friday for Chicago, Ill. to be at the bedside of Mrs. Clayton's brother who is ill.

**Accept our hearty thanks**  
for the pleasant business associations of the past year. Once again we say  
**Merry Christmas!**

**Low Priced, Quality Printing At Index Office**  
**O'DONNELL INDEX PRESS**

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**Talks You Know**

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Harris and grandson went by plane recently to Lexington, Ky. to visit their new grandchild and their daughter and family Mr and Mrs. James Traylor

Jan Lott is in a Lubbock hospital

Mr and Mrs. R. W. Hamblen of Longview and Mrs. C. L. Tomlinson will spend holidays in Lubbock in the home of Mr and Mrs. C. L. Tomlinson, Jr.

Mr and Mrs. Guy Thompson and girls of Crosbyton visited in the C. W. Stubblefield home and Mrs. Flossie Johnson and Mrs. C. F. Thompson Sunday

T. S. Doss of Brownfield visited in the Ivan Line home Sunday

Mr and Mrs. Benny Kunkel of Ackerly and Mr and Mrs. Betty Jo Mahurin of Wilson and Mrs. Gene Jackson of Tahoka visited their parents Mr and Mrs. E. C. Mahurin Sunday.

The Baptist W.M.U. met Tuesday in Fellowship Hall for a Royal Service program.

Ruthell Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Jackson, was elected Unit Queen of Hairdressers Unit No. 69, Lamesa. She was sponsored by the Fountain of Beauty, O'Donnell. Miss Jackson is a 1960 graduate of O'Donnell High School and is now a student of Jessie Lee's Institute of Hair Design. Miss Jackson will represent her unit during National Hairdressers Week and also will represent them at the All Texas Beauty Show, both of which take place in February. Miss Pamela Stevens of Gall was runner-up. She was sponsored by the Solon of Beauty, Stanley Moffett, Lamesa.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to express our appreciation for the kindness of our friends during my stay in the hospital. Again our thanks  
Mr and Mrs. W. G. Pennington

**Naturalized Citizen— That's Our Santa**

Santa Claus as Americans know him is a naturalized American citizen, and as such is America's contribution to the Christmas legend. That's the opinion of Dr. Gustav O. Arlt of the department of Germanic languages on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California.

"The Norwegians who settled early in America brought the first version of the modern Santa Claus, who in Europe had been known as St. Nicholas, but never adequately personally described," said Dr. Arlt.

"When the American Clement Moore described the jolly, rotund gentleman in minute detail in his poem 'Twas The Night Before Christmas," he assumed the proportion of living legend and thus became an integral part of Christian legend and folklore," the professor stated.

**Archaeologists' Findings Bear Out Bible Stories**

Archaeologists' findings oftentimes serve to further establish the authenticity of the story of Jesus. Only recently a group discovered the name of Jesus, carved before 70 A.D. and perhaps by an eyewitness to the crucifixion, among inscriptions on 11 early Christian burial urns found in a cave on the Jerusalem-Bethlehem road.

The urns may provide the "oldest archaeological record of Christianity" and an historical confirmation of the trial and crucifixion of Christ, the archaeologists said.

A sect of Hebrews, who followed Jesus, denounced Pontius Pilate and mourned the crucifixion of their leader, was believed to have left the writings on the urns in the cave.

The Hebrew and Aramic inscriptions contained common names like Miriam, Simeon, and Matti. The Greek inscriptions and symbols beside them contained references to Christianity and, it seems probable, to the crucifixion.

**'46 Study Club Has Holiday Party**

The 1946 Study Club observed the Christmas holidays with a dinner in the Community House last Thursday at 8 p. m. Husbands were guests. The Club's president, Mrs. Dallas Vaughn, welcomed the members and guests. Invocation was given by Rev. Troy Dale.

The program included songs by the Angel Choir of the first and second grades. Mrs. C. A. Doss read the Christmas Story. The group joined in singing the traditional Christmas songs. A delicious dinner of turkey and all the trimmings was served to twenty-four club members and their guests. Bro and Mrs. Dale, Mr and Mrs. John Spraberry and Mrs. Sallie Howard

**Jr. Hi. B. B. Schedule**

O'Donnell Junior High Basketball  
Jan. 5—Seagraves There (Boys)  
Jan. 6-7—Union Tournery (Boys & Girls)  
Jan. 12—Loop Here (Boys & Girls)  
Jan. 19—Loop There (Boys and Girls)  
Jan. 27-28—Seagraves Tournery (Boys)  
Feb. 9—Lamesa There (Boys)  
Feb. 13—Weilman Here (Boys & Girls)  
Feb. 16—Seagraves Here (Boys)  
All games start at 4:30. There will be two games each date; either A and B boys, or boys and girls.

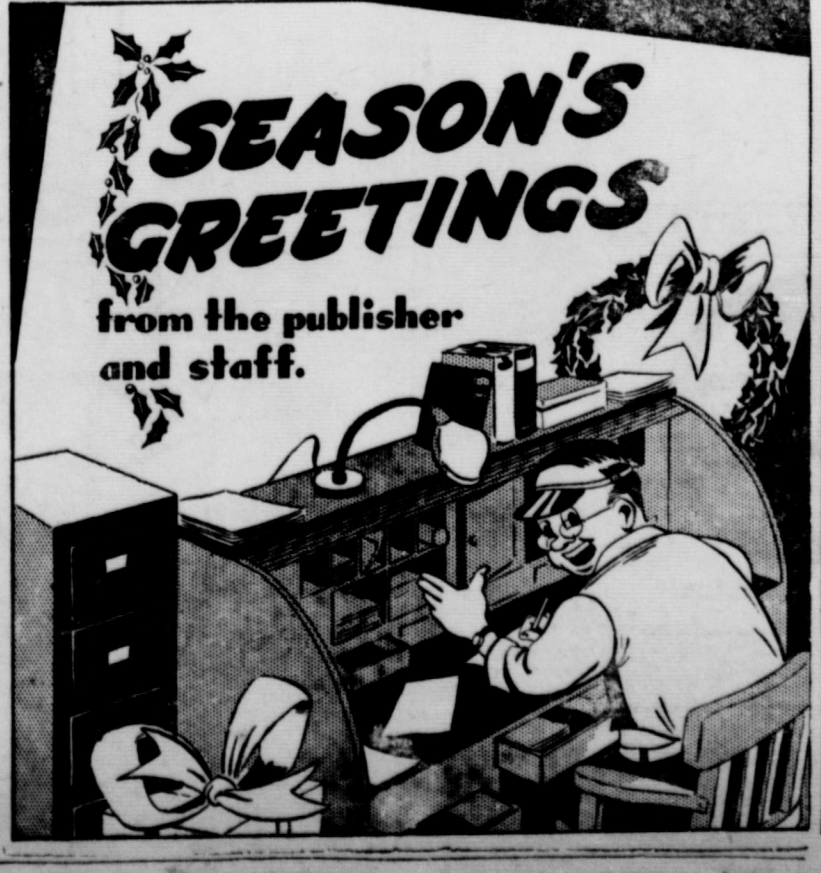
Mr and Mrs. Frank Cook and Mr. and Mrs. James Pierce visited Mr and Mrs. Roscoe Rogers at Denver City Sunday afternoon

Sgt. and Mrs. W. K. Patterson and three children have moved into the M B Allen home. He has been stationed at Ft. Huachuca and will leave for Korea Dec. 28th

Mrs. C. M. Mensch, 38, of Petersburg was injured in a car mishap and died of her injuries Dec. 11th. Funeral services were at Petersburg last Monday week at 2. Survivors from here are Mr and Mrs. Leroy Mensch and Mr and Mrs. W. E. Pierce. Also attending were Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Pierce and Mr and Mrs. J. C. Durham



Are you willing to forget what you have done for other people, and to remember what other people have done for you; to ignore what the world owes you, and to think what you owe the world; to put your rights in the background, and your duties in the middle distance, and your chances to do a little more than your duty in the foreground; to see that your fellow-men are just as real as you are, and try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for joy; to own that probably the only good reason for your existence is not what you are going to get out of life, but what you are going to give to life; to close your book on complaints against the management of the universe, and look around you for a place where you can sow a few seeds of happiness—are you willing to do these things even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas.



**TO EACH AND ALL**  
When We Count Our Blessings we find many we had not thought about. Among the outstanding blessings in our list is the good will of the people of this community.

**Santa To Be Here Christmas Eve**

**Stores To Close Dec. 26 And Jan. 2nd**

Christmas Eve afternoon, Saturday, will be a big event for all the tots of the area because at about 3 p. m. that Jolly Gentleman, Santa, from the North Pole is paying his annual visit to O'Donnell as the special guest of the O'Donnell Volunteer Fire Department.

At the Christmas Party Saturday afternoon individual bags of candy fruits and nuts will be presented to each child present.

Civic clubs will distribute toys to needy children. If you know of a child or children who may not have a Christmas up to expectations see any member of the Fire Department or any one of the ministers of town. So far as it is possible our town does not want to see anyone miss having a comfortable Christmas because of a lack of material possessions.

Stores here will generally be closed two days for the holidays—Sunday and Monday, Dec. 25, 26th. So plan your shopping Christmas eve with this in mind.

Stores will also CLOSE MONDAY JAN 2nd

The Index would appreciate a guest list of your holiday visitors. We plan to be back on the job Saturday, Dec. 31 — or sooner if our money plays out.

If you plan a trip drive within the speed limits. Speed is a partner to the Traffic Death Angel. If you have a drink, don't drive. A harmless social drink is far more dangerous to a driver than being drunk. One jigger of whiskey reduces reaction time by one half.

Mr and Mrs. Sam Nelms and family are visiting at Port Aransas.

**Rites Set Thursday For Mr. Blocker Here**

The hearts of all of this area were saddened by word of the passing of Shack Blocker, 65, at his home near Hollywood, Calif. Monday at about 11 a. m. Funeral services will be here Thursday at 2 p. m. at the O'Donnell First Baptist Church at 2 p. m. with services conducted by his pastor, Rev. Troy Dale. Burial will be at De Kalb.

Mr. Blocker was a local grocer-man for over 25 years moving with his wife to California to be near his only child, Bobby Dan, a TV star of Hollywood.

An incomplete list of survivors include his wife and son and four grandchildren and a nephew of here, J. D. Stewart

Shack was a long time Baptist and former official of the local Baptist Church.

Down thru a quarter of a century Mr. Blocker was a leading and progressive businessman whose friendship and love was cherished by all of this area. Our sympathies go to his fine wife and son who we all love as well.

**SHORT WAVE SYSTEM ADDED BY CITY**

The City of O'Donnell has recently installed a short wave system for the City's Water System in the new Ford pickup they recently purchased. The system is already proving of great benefit in making prompt contact with the City's personnel

**VOWS EXCHANGED**

Miss Iris Lee Johnson, daughter of Mr and Mrs. J. A. Johnson and Cecil Loyd Harry, son of Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Harry, were wed Sunday afternoon at 2 at the local Assembly of God Church. Vows were read by the father of the groom, Rev. Harry Veneta Rains was bridesmaid and Jimmy Sealy was best man

**NEW POST OFFICE HEAD**

Mrs. W. E. Singleton, Jr. will become acting postmistress here effective Friday. A new postmaster will be named soon — probably a Democrat. Postmaster Hal Singleton, 3rd will be carrier on route 2.

Mr and Mrs. George Blakman o Shallowater visited Mrs. Tom Tyler and Mrs. Hervey Gardenhire and Charles over week end

Contary to published reports, the Texas State Teachers Association has not taken any position for or against the tax proposals made by the governor's State Finance Advisory Commission.

That was the statement made recently by TSTA President D. R. Bowles of Austin. One widely circulated report erroneously stated that TSTA was fighting the commission's tax plan.

"My statement recently did not mention taxes," Bowles said. "It dealt solely with the commission's recommendations concerning public education."

"The Texas State Teachers Association has never opposed or supported any specific tax, and that position remains the same up to this moment," Bowles pointed out. "Any inference to the contrary is entirely erroneous."

**Stock Show Feb 24-25**

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**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to express our appreciation to all of you who ministered to our needs at the time of the loss of our loved one. Our special appreciation for the food, the flowers, cards and letters and all other thoughtful acts. May God bless you.  
Mrs. W. G. Allen and family

**Look Who's New --**

Born to Mr and Mrs. Ronald Ranges of Lubbock a fine baby boy born Dec. 17th and named Ronald Charles. Grandparents are Mr and Mrs. Charlie York of here

Mr and Mrs. Trudy Amaro are the proud parents of a fine son born Dec. 18 at Rumblo Clinic and named Robert. He weighed 8 lb 6 oz. Grandparents are Mr and Mrs. Louis Amaro.

**SCHOOL EVENTS TO COME**

Dec. 19 — FHA Caroling party  
Dec. 22 to Jan. 2nd — Christmas holidays

**"Don'ts" On Tree Decorations**

Don't get alarmed if the kids eat a few leeches off the Christmas tree this year. It is true that they might contain a potent lead but in their metallic form they are practically insoluble and therefore poorly absorbed.

But if little Johnny inhales or swallows the fluid from a bubbling Christmas tree light it could be disastrous. The fluid is made of methylene chloride and is lethal in certain dosages.

This word comes from the National Clearinghouse for Poison Control Centers, the final authority on matters of this sort. Clearinghouse officials say, and Texas health authorities agree, that there are more than the usual hazards to life and health around the American home at Christmas.

Many items, designed for gaiety, can put a damper on the festivities of the season by killing or sickening the unwary. Holly, for example is widely used in Christmas decorations. Its berries are toxic when eaten, the clearinghouse reports. mistletoe berries are also said to be dangerous.

Fireplace colors are made of metallic salts. When thrown into a fire they create multi-colored flames. Children have been made seriously ill after eating the salts.

It isn't the snow but the gas propellant which makes snow sprays dangerous. The snow is made of harmless plastic and fatty acids, but pressurizing gases can be toxic if inhaled in sufficient quantity. Fortunately the gas evaporates after the snow is sprayed, so there is no residual effect.

Those smoke pellets for toy trains, while not recommended for a steady diet, are probably not dangerous either, since it is unlikely a youngster could eat enough to poison him.

Other Christmas items billed as "hazardous" by the clearinghouse are the so-called "dancing mothballs" and the cleaning fluid for toy train tracks.

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**With Home Grown Grains**  
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Accidental farm death rates connected with machinery, drownings, firearms and electricity are increasing and the Texas Farm and Ranch

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With the rising toll of highway deaths in the state, many of them rural residents, the Texas Farm & Ranch Safety Council urges drivers to slow down when driving on rural roads. Because all roads intersections are not marked, they advise slow up to a stoppable speed before crossing any road. Farm traffic is considerably heavier at this season, and hence, the extra caution.

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For sale — house, 6 rooms, modern on two lots, C. W. Holcomb Nelms 3213 4tc

The number of farm and urban families, homemakers and youth receiving assistance from the Cooperative Extension Service of the USDA and Land-Grant Colleges and Universities last year set a new record. More than 13 million people took advantage of the agency's "out-of-school" educational program to help solve farm, home and community problems—an increase of 7 percent over the previous year.

Consumers should have a plentiful supply of good turkey meat in 1961. And, if producers carry out present intentions, prices of turkey meat are expected to be relatively low compared with other foods, says John G. McHaney, extension economist.

USDA scientists have discovered a possible new use for wheat. In laboratory tests, acid-modified wheat flour has proved equal to commercial sizing material for imparting strength to paper.

It will pay to make sure all heating equipment is now ready for the winter months ahead. W. S. Allen, extension agricultural engineer, says no matter what kind of heating equipment you have in your home—space, central, stoves, wood burning fireplace or some other type—all normally require some maintenance. If there's a question, Allen suggests that a complete service or repair man be called.

Dried honey, a new product resulting from a drying process devised by USDA research engineers, gives bakers and candy makers an opportunity to use this wholesome sweetener to a greater extent than ever before.

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH**

A welcome and service for all  
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.  
Morning Worship 11 a. m.  
Evangelistic service 7:30 p. m.  
Young people service 8:30 p. m.  
Midweek Service 7:30 p. m.  
Large enough to know you — small enough to serve you.  
Rev. D. R. Kirkendoll, pastor

**Your Poinsettia Will Bloom Next Christmas**

THE POINSETTIA has long been a popular Christmas plant out probably few people have given much thought to the fact that it does come into bloom each year only at this season.

The poinsettia is one of a group of plants known as short day plants because it will bloom only in the season of the year with short day length periods, preferably 10 hours or less. That is why it is always in bloom during the Christmas season and not during the summer. It could be prevented from blooming now by lengthening the daylight period to 15 hours by means of artificial lights.

Flower growers have learned how to bring garden chrysanthemums into bloom any month of the year by using shading cloth to shorten the days and artificial lights to lengthen the days. The chrysanthemum is also a short day plant.

How can one keep a poinsettia plant until next season? After its usefulness is over, place it in the basement or some dry place where it will not freeze. Do not water it, or at least very little, and let the soil dry up. Next May bring the plant out, cut the stem back about two-thirds, wash the old soil off the roots and re-pot in new soil.

**Bay and Rosemary Christmas Tradition**

Bay and rosemary have also been represented among our Christmas plants from time immemorial. An ancient writer says: "Rosemarie and Baies that are most faire were stuck about the houses and the churches at the time of Christmas."

According to tradition it was the bay tree, with its lance-like leaves and purple berries, that sheltered the holy family during a thunderstorm. Accordingly it was believed that lightning will never strike a bay tree.

The association of the rosemary plant with Christmas also goes back to the early childhood of our Lord, namely to the flight into Egypt to escape the wrath and jealousy of King Herod. Its branches are said to have held the little garments of the Christ-Child that were placed upon them by the Virgin Mother. Originally, its flowers were supposed to have been white, but the plant changed the color of its blossoms to lavender as Mary's cloak.

Make sure the cotton planting seed which you store on the farm doesn't become infested with insects which can severely damage the seed between now and planting time next spring. Extension Entomologist C. F. Garner and Fred Elliott, cotton specialist, suggest the local county agent be contacted for information on seed treatment.

**RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION THE O'DONNELL INDEX-PRESS**

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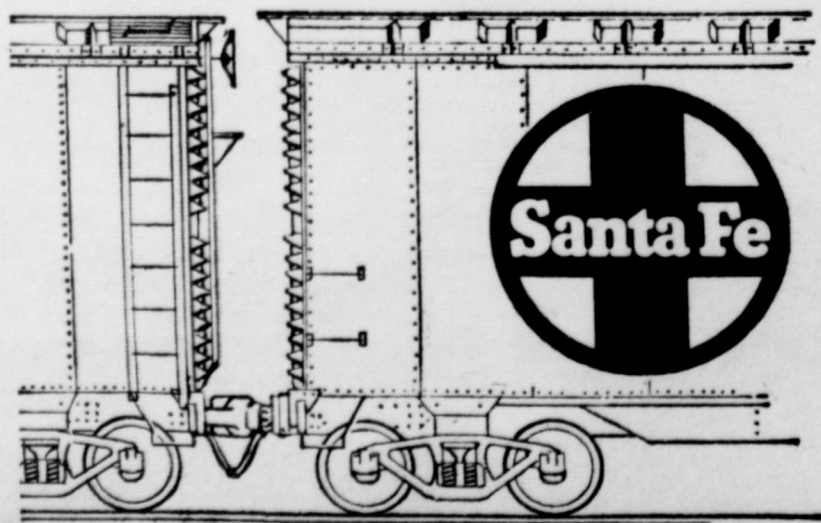
**Christmas Peace**

be yours during this wonderful season.

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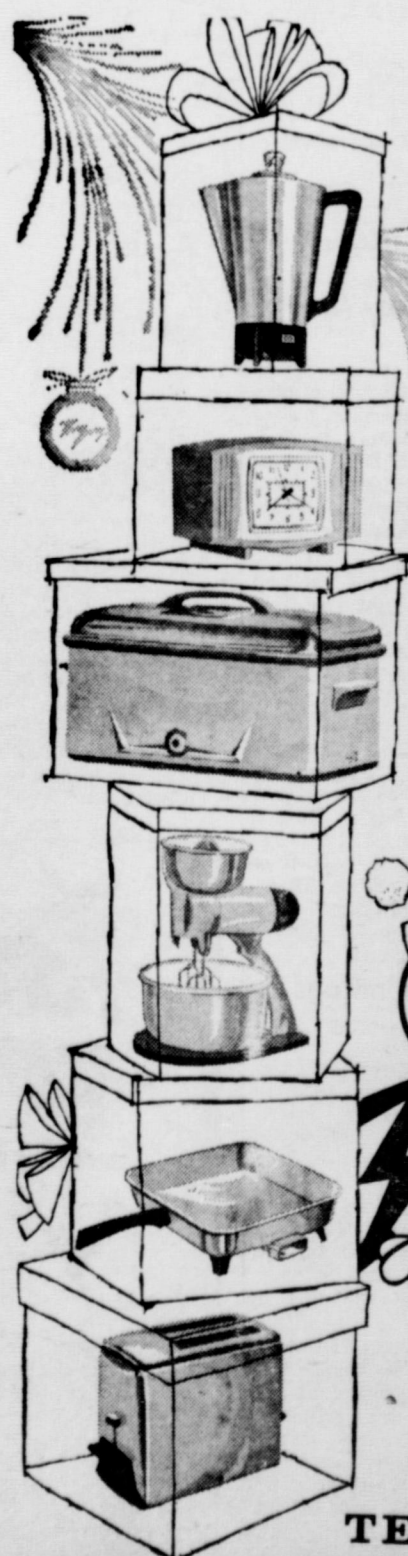
**Ship the better way**



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bough of your tree  
bend low  
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TAHOKA, TEXAS



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TAHOKA, TEXAS

# HAPPY HOLIDAY

## Marshall-Brown

TAHOKA, TEXAS

### Yule Tree Business Figured in Millions

CHRISTMAS TREES are a multi-million dollar business. Throughout the nation, some 10 million trees are supplied to the holiday demand. Prices range from \$1 to \$5, and that adds up to real money.

A Christmas tree, in the lake states, is usually a balsam or a spruce. The same is true in New England and the Appalachian section. Elsewhere in the country, virtually all kinds of evergreens are used.

The lodgepole pine and Douglas fir are frequently used in Colorado. On the Pacific coast, it is principally Douglas fir.

In Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D. C., a scrub pine takes a trimming.

In other localities, white pine, southern pine, hemlock, red and white cedar and redwood are used.

The business of harvesting this annual crop begins in the fall, when cutters go into the woods after trees. It continues as truckers bring huge loads to metropolitan markets.

Many land owners manage their swamps to make them yield a crop of trees year after year. Thinning operations are another source of Yule trees.

Farmers have discovered that they can get a cash crop from eroded acres by harvesting Christmas trees 10 or 15 years after they are planted.

### Stock Show Feb 24-25

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### ★ Send us your News



To all our  
many friends a  
Merry Christmas.

## LYNN CO. Abstract Co.

TAHOKA, TEXAS

## Christmas Greetings

May the joyous warmth of  
the Yule season rest with  
you always.



## Abbie's Fashion Shop

EVERYTHING FOR MI-LADY  
TAHOKA, TEXAS



The poinsettia has no Christmas legend and its adoption as a symbol or decoration for Christmas is of recent origin. In Spain it is known as the flor de noche-buena, and is connected with the sentiment of Christmas.

Its beautiful flaming star is one of the favorite flowers of the Christmas season, and its use as an indoor decoration is universal.

### Legends of Holly

Many beliefs are connected with the Christmas holly:

Legends relate that the crown of thorns was plaited from the holly, the white berries turning red like drops of blood after the crucifixion.

It is said that whoever brings the holly into the house first, either husband or wife, is the one who will rule in the ensuing year.

For many years the superstition persisted that holly was hateful to witches. It was placed on doors and windows to keep out evil spirits.



May the guardians  
of the Christmas  
Season attend you.

## WOOD Jewelry

TAHOKA, TEXAS



May tidings of  
great joy be yours.

### Your Lynn County Officials:

- C. W. Roberts, County Clerk
- W. S. 'Skip' Taylor, District Clerk
- J. P. Hewlett, County Superintendent
- Walter Mathis, County Judge
- William B. Griffin, County Agent
- Norvell Booger, Sheriff
- Mrs. Tom Reid, County Treasurer
- J. E. (Red) Brown, Tax Collector Assessor
- Mrs. Beatrice McLaurin, County Commissioner
- Woodrow (Ode) Brewer, County Commissioner



## First National Bank OF TAHOKA



Our cordial good wishes to all.

## Amos Furnitue

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### In Memorials 200 Years

EDINBURGH — Stewart clansmen met recently at the site near Ballaehulish, Argyll, where James Stewart was hanged 200 years ago for taking part in the murder of Colin Campbell to protest the innocence of Stewart and to commemorate the bravery with which he met the hangman. An oration was made and the Very Rev. Duncan McInnes, dean of Argyll, held a memorial service.

The Stewarts say that James Stewart was a victim of the most outrageous frameup in history. The murder remains the most celebrated crime case in Scotland.

Stewart was tried by a jury consisting of eleven Campbells and four others and the presiding judge was the chief of the Campbell clan, the Duke of Argyll.

Robert Louis Stevenson immortalized the murder in "Kidnapped."

### Noah's Ark Still Is Lost on Mt. Ararat

ISTANBUL—Not even a pair of animal tracks was found by a French expedition which battled its way to the top of Mt. Ararat looking for traces of Noah's Ark.

The expedition, led by Jean de Riquier, polar explorer, hoisted the French flag atop the rugged peak after climbing through snow, rain and heavy winds.

An American expedition led by Dr. Aaron Smith, a retired missionary from Greensboro, N. C., tried fruitlessly to find Noah's fabulous boat in 1949.

Turkey's big Soviet neighbor charged that neither group really was looking for the Ark but just wanted to peer down at Russian defenses on the other side of the mountain.

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### Christmas Trees Can Be Put to Many Uses After New Year's

There are a number of things you can do with your Christmas tree after New Year's besides burning it.

If it is a fir, for instance, it can be anchored in the back yard—perhaps in a corner of the garden—and used as a bird feeder the remainder of the winter. Pieces of suet and little feed bags may be tied to the branches. A container of water should be placed beneath the tree and kept filled so the birds will have a drink every day.

Or, cut off the branches and place them, curved ends up, over flower beds when the ground is exposed. An evergreen mulch helps prevent the soil from heaving dur-



ing alternate freezes and thaws. Long branches may be built into little lean-tos to protect tender shrubs from sun scald.

The needles of a Christmas tree can be sprinkled beneath acid-loving plants such as laurel, andromeda, rhododendron and blueberries.

If the needles on the tree are still firm, use the branches in an outdoor windowbox. Moisten the soil in the box. Then push the cut ends of the branches down to the bottom and tamp the soil firm around them. This will generally give you greenery all winter.

If you must burn your Christmas tree, don't toss it into a fireplace. Cut off the branches and burn them safely one by one.

And remember, a Christmas tree tossed into the street can become a fire hazard if playful children pick it up and make a bonfire of it in a vacant lot.

### History of Christmas Seals

When you see the Christmas seal do you ever wonder how it started? It was born in Denmark, home of the fairy tales of Hans Christian Anderson.

Einar Holboell, a Copenhagen postal clerk, was sorting mail one snowy afternoon before Christmas, 1903, when he thought of the idea of a penny stamp to swell a fund for children's hospitals.

Authorized by King Christian, the first Christmas seals were sold in Copenhagen in 1904.

Holboell's scheme outgrew his wildest imaginings, for before his death in 1927, he lived to see it spread to 45 countries.

The seals found their way to America on letters and packages and first attracted the attention of Jacob Riis who wrote an article about them. Few people, however, were interested in the idea.

Then, in the autumn of 1907, Emily Bissell, a public health worker, concerned about the fate of a small sanatorium, recalled the article and sat down to sketch America's first Christmas seal, a wreath of holly encircling the words "Merry Christmas."

With 50,000 stamps printed and nowhere to sell them, Miss Bissell at last enlisted the aid of a columnist on a Philadelphia newspaper. The idea caught and within a few weeks \$3,000 was collected.

The first nation-wide sale was held the following year and was backed by newspapers all over the country, religious and civic groups, and sponsored by the American Red Cross and the National Tuberculosis Association.

USDA scientists have discovered a possible new use for wheat. In laboratory tests, acid-modified wheat flour has proved equal to commercial sizing material for imparting strength to paper.

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Some of our most vital rights live in procedural law. A day in court means more than the right to have your say before a judge and jury. It means your right to be well represented before an impartial judge and jury, to have time to prepare for your trial. It means that you get due notice of the action against you; that the complaint or indictment shall state a clear cause of action. Due process of law means that you shall meet your accusers face to face; to cross-examine them. It means that you can present evidence in your own behalf.

The law of procedure tells you how to appeal your case to higher courts when you feel that you have not had a fair trial.

Procedural law comes down to us from years of experience in the courts of many lands. Though the centuries procedure tends to become cumbersome, but it has had great periods of reform. In America, we have had many good changes in our court procedure. In the United States, we tend to give our courts the power to change rules.

Throughout its history, the State Bar has helped to study and improve court rules. The aim is a simple set of rules to do justice with speed, uniformity and fairness.

**Falls May Be Serious**

Statistics indicate that this year we can expect approximately 560 Texans to die from injuries sustained in falls. In 1959 there were 595 such deaths—down from 627 in 1958.

There is no guarantee that the downward trend will continue. The sad fact is that these are not injuries to workmen on telephone poles or oil derricks. Except for a few they are mostly same-level falls occurring to older persons.

able for 1959, but in 1958 a majority total of 420 accidental deaths from falls involved persons between the ages of 70 and 94.

This same pattern evolves year after year. Most deaths occurring among the rest of the age span are also the result of home accidents from falls.

Older people are naturally more prone to falls because of varying degrees of infirmity accompanying the aging process.

However, many home falls are preventable provided a sound plan of battle is followed to combat this number one home-accident killer.

For instance: in stairwells and hallways adequate light must be provided night and day to avoid tripping or missing a step. A lamp or flashlight should be handy by the bedside. Another safety factor is to have hand rails even for a one or two step stairway.

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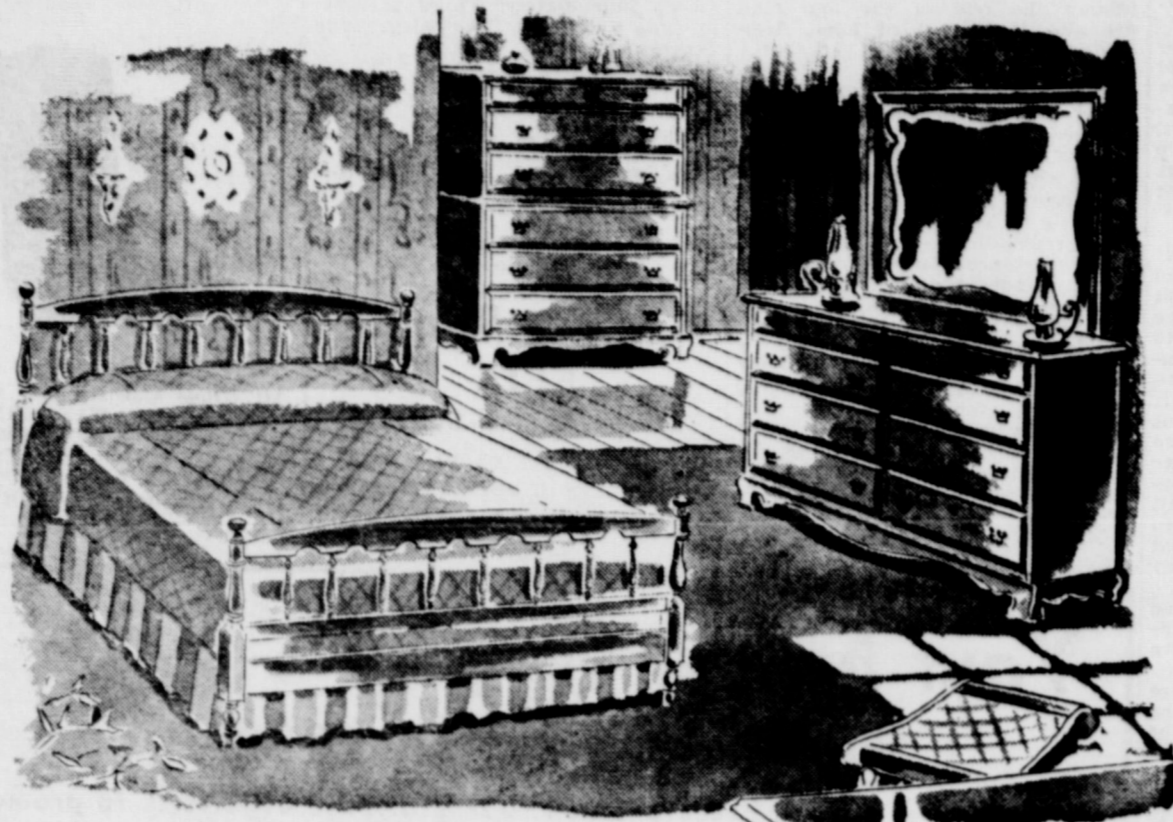
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Trouble often arises, as the human relation people say, out of a person's feelings of insecurity and injustice. So the law seeks to allay them and to give each person his due under fair rules. Written ones. Applied by impartial judges. The law sets up courts to settle disputes fairly among men when they fall out, and to curb those who would overstep their due bounds and harm others.

Under such rules each one may know where he stands. For the law sets out his rights and duties, and raising a family, in the pursuit of happiness and in seeking salvation.

The law gives each one wide powers (or freedom) through contracts to work with others to serve these lawful interests. It seeks to give each man, woman and child a fair and equal chance to learn, to make mistakes, think, and to talk over experience with others, so that we may find ways the better to live together.

The law tries to fit in with human nature, giving weight to man's hopes and to his shortcomings. Indeed, as one of man's achievements, the law itself takes note that it too may fall short — that judges and juries may err (hence courts of appeal), that the laws may have flaws (hence legislatures to change them).

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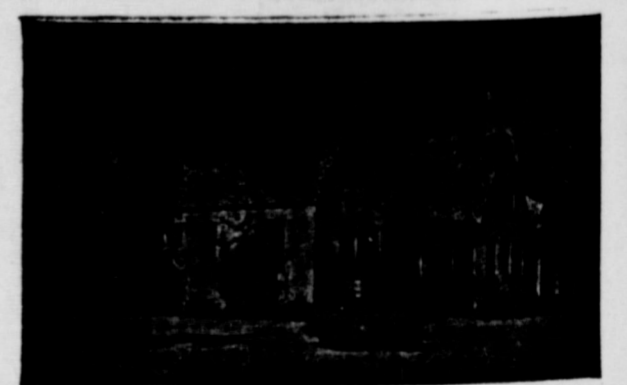
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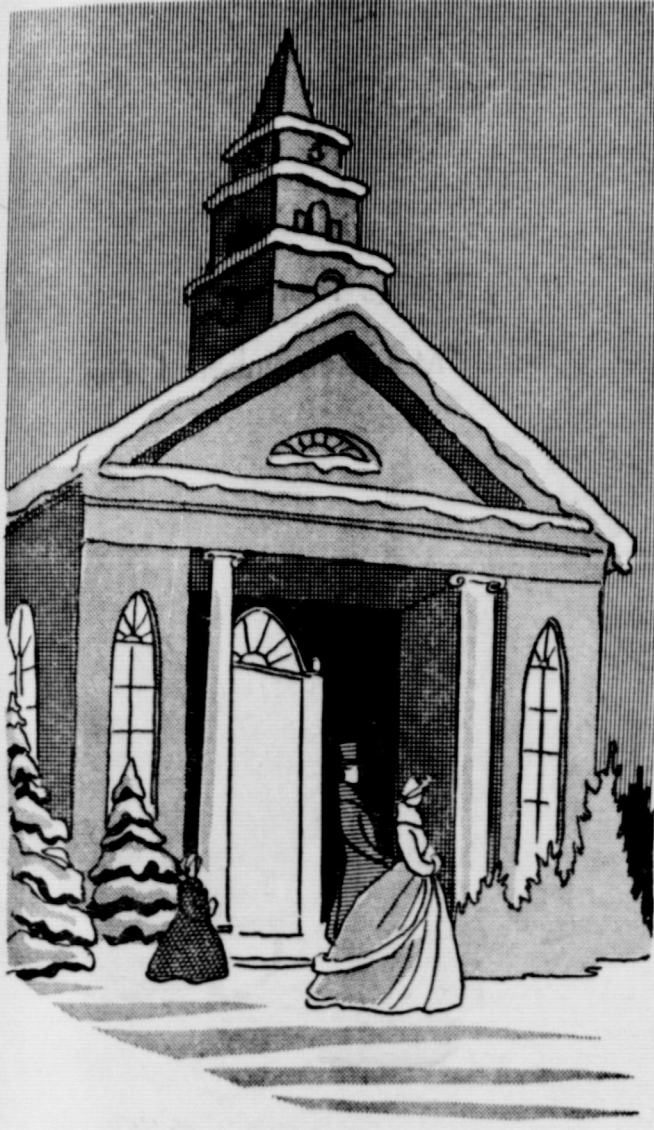
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## DON'T HAVE A TREE FIRE THIS CHRISTMAS

EVERY AVERAGE American home will have a Christmas tree this year. Traditional and symbolic as the trees are, they present a great fire hazard, and should be carefully watched.

Remember that when you bring a tree into the house it is going to dry up. A freshly-cut tree will not take fire any easier than the evergreen trees growing outside, but the hazard increases by the hour. For this reason, it is not wise to put up the tree too early before Christmas day or to leave it too long after the 25th. Trees of all kind will become highly inflammable at the end of a week.

Families, clubs, churches or organizations that wish to keep their trees up longer than a week should take special safeguards to keep it reasonably safe.

The tree can be kept fresh by setting it up in a pan of water. Cut off the base of the tree at an angle at least one inch above the original cut and keep it standing in water during the entire period it remains in the house. It may be necessary to add water from time to time to keep the water level above the cut.

Place the tree well away from stoves, radiators, and other sources of heat. When you smoke, stay away from the tree. Also be sure that the tree is secured in such a way that it cannot fall. Do not put it near a doorway where it might block an avenue of escape, should a fire occur.

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## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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## Why You Hang Holly at Yuletide

CREDIT THE PAGAN Druids for inspiring one of the nice Christmas customs — decorating with holly. The traditional holly for the holidays is widely believed to have had its origin in the Druid practice of bringing holly sprigs indoors. The Druids woodland spirits lived in the holly.

Indoors, holly gave the spirits a nice warm place in winter. Besides, the lush green holly and the contrast of its red berries provided beauty that could be revered by men when the sacred oaks were shorn of their foliage.

The early Christian church frowned on such pagan customs and tried to stamp them out. In due time, however, it was felt that some of the customs could be adapted to the new Christmas conception.

Some beautiful legends associate the holly with Christ. In fact, it is often called the Christ thorn. One legend depicts the leaf spines as the crown of thorns; the red berries as the sins of the world and the blood of Christ. Another credits holly with first springing up from the footsteps of Christ. The plant is said to remain green all winter as a reward for once hiding Christ from his pursuers.

The impact of the holly on the Christmas celebration is evidenced in the traditional holiday colors, green and red. The Druids weren't the only people of old who thought the holly was something special. Pliny, the great Roman historian, insisted holly blossoms caused water to freeze. Also, that holly thrown at any wild beast would make it lie down tamely next to the branch.

## TO GET HOLIDAY LEAVE

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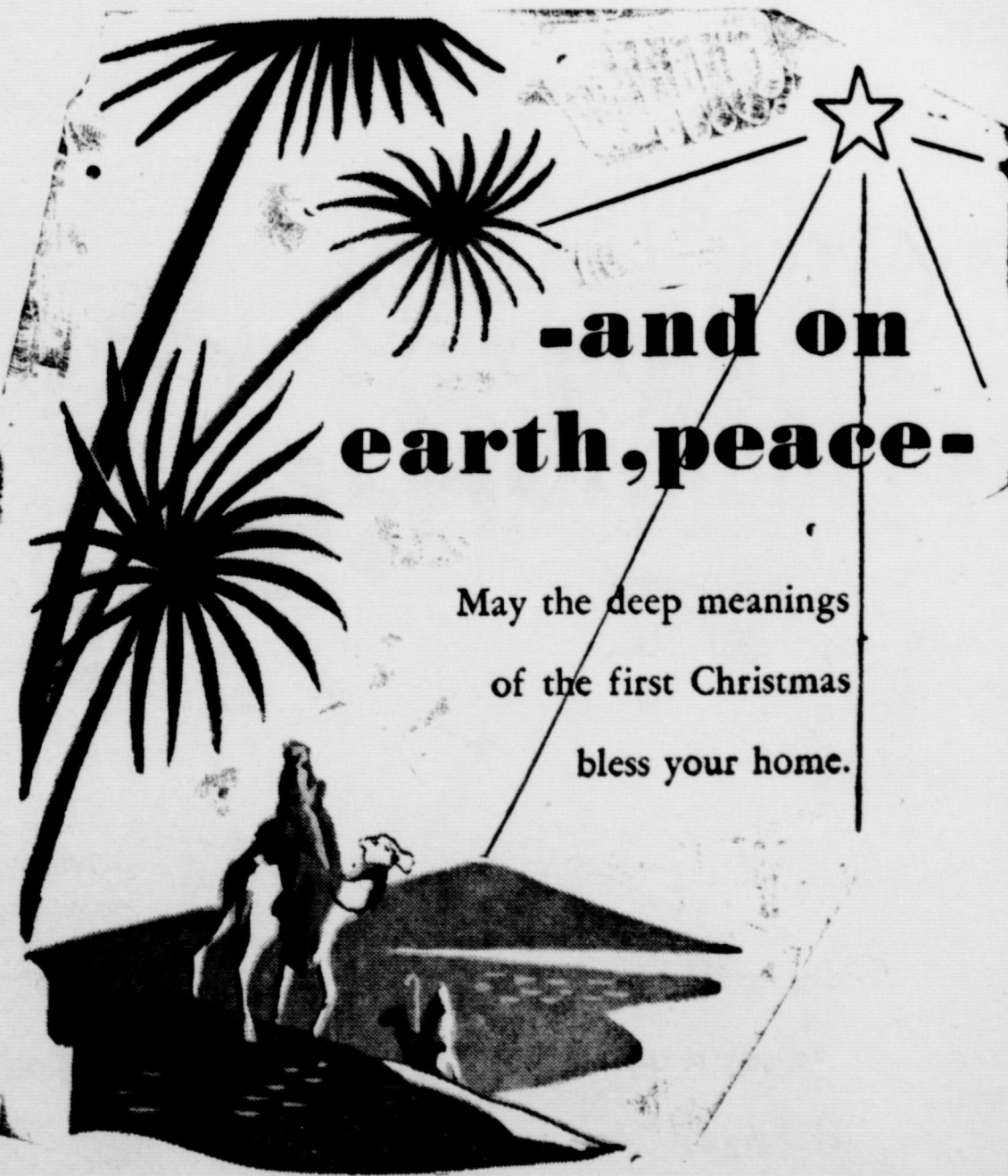
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**Contracts Are Important**

At this time of year, many landlords and tenants are thinking about farm rental arrangements for 1961. While some operate from year to year on the basis of verbal agreements regulated largely by local custom, written leases are better and may save disagreement and hard feelings between the parties.

Farming is a business and should be conducted in a businesslike manner for best success. Rental contracts involve a full year's work by the tenant and possibly thousands of dollars for both parties. A few dollars spent on a properly drawn lease is good business economy.

A farm lease is not a simple paper. Printed lease forms often turn out to be traps if not understood, or if not properly executed. A farmer-tenant contract is intricate and of such importance to both parties concerned that amateur draftmanship is risky.

Fixing of cash rent or designating the length of term are relatively simple. Yet, even in these matters, ambiguity or incompleteness can cause bitter disputes and expensive lawsuits.

A loosely drawn property description may have consequences entirely unintended by either landlord or tenant. Where rent is to be based on acreage, an accurate description is doubly important.

In addition, there are legal rules to substitute for some omissions in written leases. For example, a holdover by the tenant may automatically renew the contract if the lease is silent on the subject. It is as important to know the results of omissions as to know the courts' interpretation of the language used.

There are many matters which should be covered by a properly drawn lease. For instance, if a tenant is to farm on a share basis, care should be taken to define what expenses are to be paid by the parties as well as what shares are to be taken out. A lease should cover such things as who is to make repairs, what land is to be cropped, whether the tenant can cut timber, whether loss of a building by fire or other cause frees the tenant, or whether the landlord must accept a sub-tenant.

One great cause of difficulty with leases is blind faith on the part of the persons involved that all differences of opinion can be worked out. Poor memories as to verbal agreements can cause disputes between persons even though they are both honest and generous.

Many of the possibilities that should be covered by a properly drawn lease will not occur to inexperienced persons. The renting of land deserves a written contract, and it is a contract too important to be entrusted to anyone other than an expert.

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**FAIRY TALES** and Christmas stories are a Yuletide tradition. It is thus fitting that the story which promises to be America's most popular and long-lived fairy tale is related to the Christmas season.

Once upon a time there was a reindeer with a built-in flashlight bulb for a nose. You know, Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer. From a small beginning in 1938, the little animal with the built-in beacon has become as familiar as Humpty-Dumpty and Cinderella to youngsters everywhere.

First invented as a sales giveaway promotion for Montgomery Ward by Robert L. May, Rudolph was featured in many free booklets before he became associated with Christmas. Songwriter Johnny Marks liked the title "Rudolph, the Red Nosed Reindeer", so he wrote a song about it. He was so sure he had a success that he started his own Publishing company, using "Rudolph" as his first release. Gene Autry made the initial recording, and that one record sold 2,000,000 copies.

Last year, there were 16 different recordings of the song for sale, ranging from boogie-woogie by Sugar Chile Robinson to Bing Crosby, and cowboy singers.



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**Tree Decoration Has Ancient Source In Arabian Legend**

When you fasten the ornaments to your Christmas tree this year you will be commemorating a centuries-old Arabian legend that relates how plants blossomed and flowered and trees miraculously bore ripened fruit on the eve of the first Christmas.

In fact, the Christmas tree itself stems from the story of a Scandinavian "sacred" tree and Martin Luther, a German, is said to have brought the first one indoors and decorated it for the Yule season in the early 16th century.

These are only two of more than a score of legends from which today's Christmas symbols and customs stem. According to Jeannette Lee, who has probed their origin for nearly a dozen years, the American Christmas symbols — from candles and bells to kissing under the mistletoe — have no common nationality. They have come from all parts of the world.

Mrs. Lee, who is supervisor of creative art for a greeting card company, constantly utilizes the traditions and emblems of the festival as ornaments for Christmas cards and is just as constantly searching for new ones. This year, for example, the bright-colored tree ornaments are in high vogue as devices on Christmas cards.

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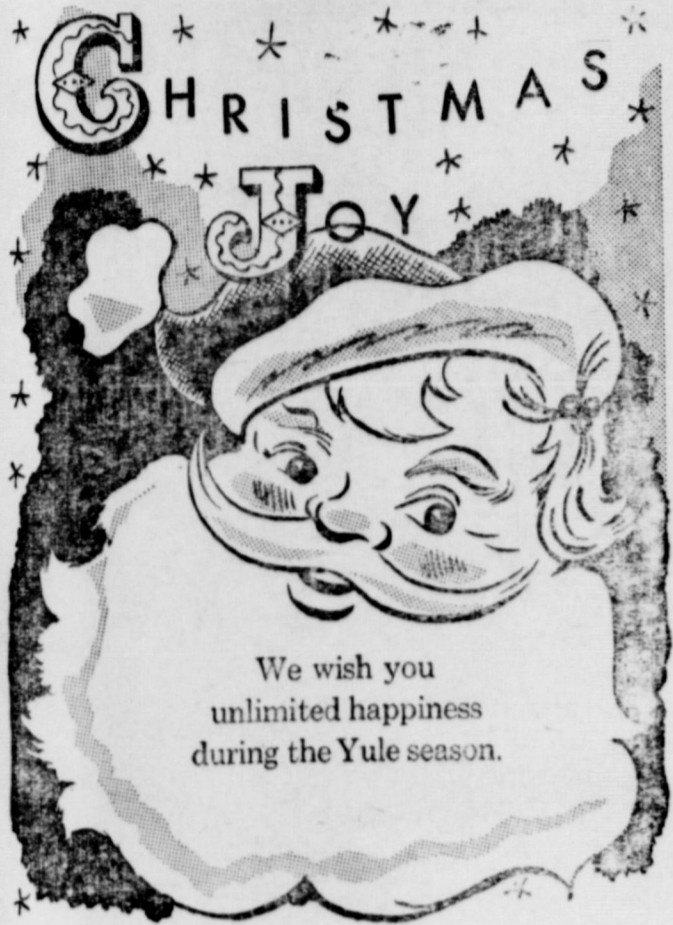
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The practice of holding "open house" has been a Christmas tradition through the years. The Saxon lords threw open the doors of their great halls to peasant and noble alike during the festive season and all enjoyed a great feasting, songs and the exchange of gifts. A tremendous Yule log was dragged upon an open fire pit and festivities lasted until the embers alone remained.

The same custom was followed in the pre-Civil War South. The slaves often soaked a log in the cypress swamps long before Christmas so that it would burn slowly, and extend their Christmas freedom.

"Open House" during the Yuletide season is a true mark of democracy.

**Cowboy's Party Is Real American Fete**

One of the most typical of our American holiday celebrations is the Cowboy's Christmas Ball, which has been held almost every year since 1884 in the small town of Anson, Texas.

The celebration started as a wedding party in the old Star Hotel when ranchers poured in from the widely scattered ranges to honor one Cross P. Charley and his bride. It was such a success that it was repeated year after year.

Christmas Eve brought the spirit of the old West to Anson. Cowboys donned their colorful dress, their gay shirts and decorated boots. Cowgirls outfitted themselves in gingham dresses "like mother wore". A cowboy band swung out and the dancers perform the heel and toe polka, the Varsouvienne, and other old folk dances.

*Origin of Symbolic Tree Shrouded in Old Legends*

The origin of the Christmas tree symbol is shrouded in legends that reach back to the period of Druid tree worship long before the advent of Christianity. Credit for tree decoration and gift-giving, however, is generally given to Germany, where the customs were started in the 16th or 17th centuries. Over a period of years the practice spread into northern Europe and from there to America.

Outside tree decorating is essentially an American trademark and a special feature of community spirit. The best known outside displays in America are on the White House lawn and at the Rockefeller Plaza in New York City.



Eyedrops are a refreshing "eye-opener" on arising in the morning and will soothe tired eyes when used before retiring for the night. Plenty of sleep, proper diet, good reading habits are also helpful in giving you a bright outlook on life, report researchers for the Murine Company of Chicago.



DEVOTION . . . Christmas is not so much a time of receiving as it is a time for giving. These children, in their prayers, are giving by far the best gift of them all—their selves.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE  
A friendly Church serving a friendly community in a needy world invites you, Sunday school at 10 a. m. Morning Worship at 11:00 a. m. Evening Worship at 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting each Wednesday at 8 p. m.

**Interesting Job? Santa's Beats All At This Season**

WHO HAS ONE of the most interesting jobs this time of year? That's easy. It's Santa.

The rotund gentleman hiding behind the red ensemble and the flowing white beard learns a great deal about the nature of humans, especially children, at this time of year.

However, after receiving thousands of letters from all over the



country, and talking to thousands of youngsters on street corners and in department stores. Santa usually comes to the same conclusion each year. Times and customs change, but children seldom do.

Requests that Santa receives follow a general pattern each year—everything from bicycles to roller skates and cowboy suits for boys, with dolls and elaborate accessories the favorite with the girls.

There are some exceptions. Lots of children make requests for useful items, typewriters and such, in the hope of becoming writers and stenographers. Last year one lad asked for a Bengal tiger.

Santa, understanding human that he must be, promises to fill all the requests that he can and explains tenderly why there are some that are out of reach.

**St. Nicholas Possessed Of Great Virtue, Piety**

Saint Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, was said to have been a saint of great virtue and piety.

An ancient legend is told that he became the patron saint of school boys when he restored to life the sons of a rich Asiatic, who had been murdered by a robber-innkeeper while they were enroute to school in Athens. It is said that he was warned of the crime in a vision, but was unable to reach the inn in time to prevent the murders. He restored the boys to life through prayers and also forced the murderer to confess his crime to authorities.

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Rev. D. R. Kirkendoll, pastor

**Merry Christmas**

We want you to know we are thinking of you this Christmas season.



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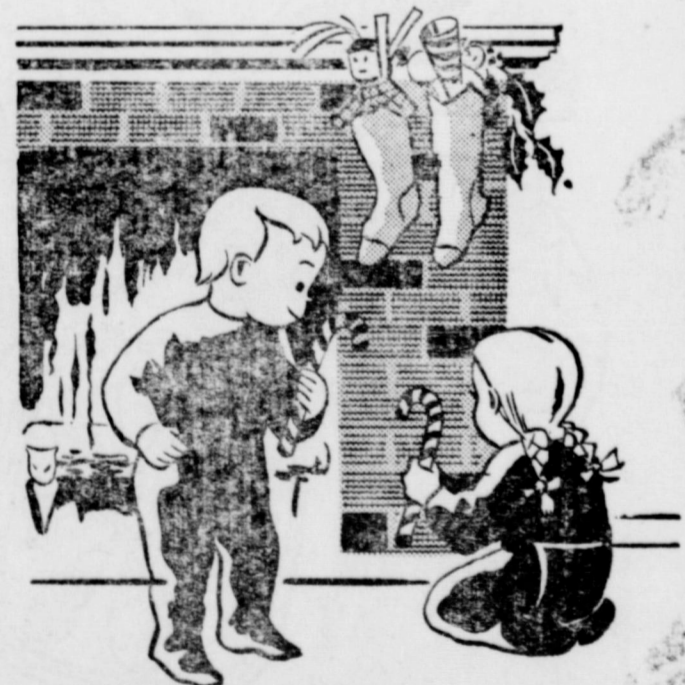
**Season's Greetings**



May yours be filled with pleasant people all through the Holidays.

**Moore Insurance**

Mr and Mrs. Elvin R. Moore



AT CHRISTMAS,

we wish you all the happiness this magic season offers.

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and may the angel of peace guard you.

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### Copyright Law Is Important

America has led the way in protecting the fruit of man's mind. Our literature, drama, scholarship, and vast media of public information prosper because of our copyright law.

Are you an author? An artist? A playwright? Or are you thinking of going into such work? If so, find out about copyright law. It protects you—against copying, but not against independent reproduction of a similar work.

A copyright enables you to sue him in federal courts for damages and collect — if someone copies your work or any substantial part of it without permission.

The most important single thing about copyrights is this: Do not publish anything until you find out what kind of a copyright notice you need. If you publish without proper notice, you lose all rights in the work.

As long as your book is not published you own the script. The common law protects your rights in it the same as in any other property. For an unpublished book you need no added legal safeguard. You cannot register its copyright.

But you may copyright such work as a play, lecture, sermon, or artwork, though it has not been published.

A book's copyright may be registered in the author's name or any one he selects, such as the publisher, who can better guard the copyright or grant proper consent to quote the book, under a contract between himself and his publisher.

Here are some other kinds of work you can copyright: Poems, newspapers, maps, photographs, dramatic and musical compositions.

A copyright is good for 28 years. You may renew it once so as to keep it in effect for a total of 56 years.

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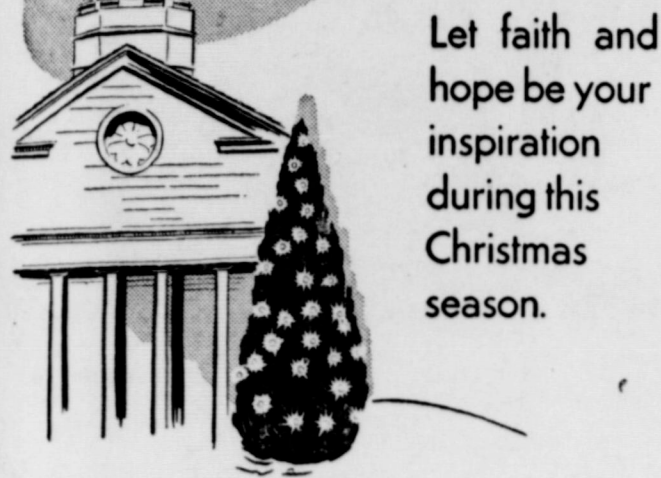


May your Christmas be one of JOY.

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E. T. Wells, Manager

# Merry Christmas



Let faith and hope be your inspiration during this Christmas season.

## Jones Service Station

Ervin 'Bud' Jones



**SHIRT-SLEEVED SANTA . . .** It's not a common subject for discussion, but Santa Claus sometimes does take off his coat and just lounge around in his beard and shirt-sleeves. However, this is not standard procedure, and it's mighty few Santas you see sitting on a park bench in New York.

### Christmas Helps World's Economy

Many people, with the total conception of children, have come to believe that Christmas has become too commercial. In a spiritual sense, this is true to some extent.

Economically, however, no other holiday or festive season contributes so much to the welfare of the world. Christmas has hardly passed into the new year before thousands are at work on toys and myriads of other Christmas specialties for the next holiday. Each year, as the lights of Christmas trees twinkle on a wintry night, how many of us think of the millions who have gained employment through the Christmas shopping industry?

And yet, "too commercial" may be an understatement. Is it too wrong, once a year, to make the dominant theme one of giving, rather than of receiving? Christmas, and the spirit of Christmas, has endured wars and great chaos through centuries as a time of joyousness and happiness, and giving has always been an important part of the festivities.

The picture of the family united, with presents opened, and children wrapped in the joyousness of Childhood's greatest emotion is still, and will remain the Christmas story.

Dried honey, a new product resulting from a drying process devised by USDA research engineers, gives bakers and candy makers an opportunity to use this wholesome sweetener to a greater extent than ever before.

### Tell the truth about Santa

Among the myriad problems which beset parents at Christmas time are the many questions from the small-fry about Santa Claus. And the business of telling Junior or his little sister the truth about the jolly old gentleman in the red suit is really a major task.

However, the situation is bound to arise, and when it does, it does something to your heart strings—so you draw the little ones close and cast about for the best explanation.

Oddly enough, the true story is best—and the easiest to tell. So why not just tell the little ones this?

St. Nicholas (or Nicolas) is Santa Claus' real name. He lived in Asia Minor and was the beloved bishop of the Greek church of Myra in Lycia. He is the patron saint of the young, and in some European countries a person dressed as a bishop still assembles the children and distributes gifts of nuts, sweetmeats and other nice things to the good boys and girls.

Children loved St. Nicholas and trudged along beside him as he trudged the dusty roads of the Lycia countryside, bringing fruit and candy to the sick and needy.

One of many stories told of his goodness concerns a poor and honest man and his three good and beautiful daughters. The father was unhappy for poverty prevented his giving the customary dowries to his daughters, and for this reason they could never have suitable husbands.

One night a bag of coins was tossed in at the man's window. The next night the act was repeated. But on the third night the father watched, and the anonymous giver was detected. The jolly bishop stood with the third bag of coins in his hands. The father was very proud and would not accept the money. The good bishop begged the poor man to accept the gifts and use them for his daughters' dowries, requesting that his name never be revealed.

At last, the father accepted the money for his daughters, but he could not keep the name of the generous bishop secret — so the legend of the goodness of St. Nicholas was further spread and strengthened.

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## Ellis Chevrolet Co.

John Ellis and Staff

**Oyster Farming Is Big Business**

Take a look at the calendar. There's an "R" in every month between now and April, and you know what that's supposed to mean. It's the oyster season again. More millions of the succulent shellfish are destined for harvest in the next six months from the many reefs in inland bay waters of Texas.

A stupendous total of 45 million individual Texas-grown oysters were sold on the retail market last year. More than 90 percent of them passed through plants on which the Texas State Department of Health had put its stamp of approval covering plant sanitation.

Last year's harvest was put up in 154,000 one-gallon cans, with about 300 medium-sized oysters per can. A very high percentage of them were consumed right here at home.

Since oysters are often eaten raw, it stands to reason they would be capable of carrying disease. In the past they did, of course, but today to nowhere near the extent they would if it were not for a little-known program of plant certification and water pollution investigations conducted by the Texas State Department of Health.

The certification program was started back in 1937. It is voluntary in that there is no law compelling plant operators to seek certification. But in order to sell their oysters cities which have local shellfish ordinances, plants must be certified by the state health agency. Most major Texas cities have such ordinances.

**Health Program Cited for Children**

Pioneering a program of medical care which has vitally helped four and a quarter million handicapped children in the past 23 years has earned the Crippled Children's Program of the federal Children's Bureau a 1960 Albert Lasker Award.

The awards are made annually for "breakthroughs in medical research and advances in public health programs directly benefiting millions of human beings throughout the world" by the American Public Health Association.

This year's presentations were made by the Association and the Albert and Mary Lasker Foundation in New York last October.

The Crippled Children's Program, mainly administered by individual states, emphasizes high quality care and is widely approved by physicians, hospitals and local communities throughout Texas and the United States.

Each year the demand for these services has increased, with the rate per 10,000 children served doubling in 22 years.

In Texas the total cases per year has risen an average of 14.3 percent per year from 4,532 cases in 1956 until 1959 with a record total of 6,473 cases.

Under the law, basically, and child under 21 years of age and unable to pay is eligible provided he may be cured of his condition corrected so that he may be returned to a future of productive adulthood.

**GIFTS NEEDED FOR T. B. HOSPITAL**

Sanatorium, Texas — Gifts for the McKnight State Tuberculosis Patients Christmas Gift Shop are urgently needed. Gifts should be sent now so that they may be inventoried and Christmas wrapped for the patients selection from the shop the first week of December. Patients unable to go home for Christmas and those not in a position to give a gift to their families are aided by your gifts. All work on the Gift Shop is done by volunteers of the McKnight Volunteer Council and their efforts are given that they may share with the less fortunate the joys of the yuletide season.

Needed items are underwear for men and women, hose, deodorants for men and women, costume jewelry, household items, toys suitable for small children, gifts for teenage boys and girls and cash can be used to replenish short items in the shop.

Wherever you live, you may send items at no cost to you — simply take the package to the motor freight office in your city and mark the package to go to the Christmas Gift Shop, McKnight State Tuberculosis Hospital, Sanatorium, Texas. The freight line will deliver it free of charge.



We hope your holiday packages are filled with great joy.

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**Custom of 'Pinata', Observed in Mexico, Is Spreading to U.S.**

The pinata, Christmas custom so long observed by the happy children of Mexico, is gradually spreading into the United States.

Although it performs year-round duty in the land south of the border, the pinata is busiest during the Mexican Christian festival that lasts from December 16 to January 6. In America, it is used in various parts of the country only at Christmas time.

The pinata is made of thin, fragile clay, and is filled with sweetmeats and trinkets before being suspended from the ceiling.

Each of the guests, not always only just children—is blindfolded and given a stick. The object is to swing the sticks overhead until someone shatters the pinata, sending the delicious contents pouring out, whence a mad scramble takes place for the spoils.

The pinata is a great aid in making the long Christmas season tolerable for Mexican children. Tradition decrees that they must wait until the final day of the 21-day Christmas season to receive their gifts.

**Christmas Was Once Holiday That Moved About on Calendar**

Christmas was once a movable feast. The eastern branches of the Christian church usually celebrated it in April or May. Western Europe sometime in January.

In 337 A.D., St. Cyril, bishop of Jerusalem, set out to make the date universal. With the permission of Pope Junius I, he appointed a commission to determine, if possible, the precise date of Christ's nativity. The theologians of the Church finally agreed upon December 25, and since the year 354 this date has been celebrated.

Members of the Greek, Russian and Ukrainian Orthodox churches in the 20th century observed the date of January 7, because they use the Julian calendar, which lists December 25 on that date by calendar.

A group of 33 young Texans with their four chaperons will leave Dallas Nov 25 for Chicago and America's best known 4-H meeting, National 4-H club congress.

For the first time, a hay show will be a feature of the annual Texas A and M Daryman's Short Course scheduled for Dec. 1 and 2nd.



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## MERRY CHRISTMAS



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## Christmas Quotes

"Christmas is the time you decide to pay your doctor something on account. You know you will need him the day after."

—Walter Pulitzer.  
"What do people mean by sending you a dozen Christmas cards during the festive season, and not deigning to send you three lines by way of a letter the rest of the year?"

—J. Ashby-Sterry.  
"At every Christmas party, just as things are beginning to get good, someone shuts his eyes, puts his head back and moans softly: 'Ah, well, this isn't like the good old days. We don't seem to have any good old-fashioned Christmases any more.'"

—Robert Benchley.

### Christmas: 'Good Time; A Kind, Forgiving Time'

Charles Dickens once referred to Christmas as "a good time; a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time." This is an adequate description of the Christmas spirit. Why not make this an old-fashioned Christmas?

Elaborately planned parties, those great time-takers, should not be a part of the Christmas scene. A homey, hospitable get-together will create an atmosphere in which everyone can relax.

Since Christmas is really "the children's hour", why not give them a greater part in preparing for the day? Children will get more delight from helping prepare and decorate the tree than in seeing only the finished product.

### Small Amount of Plant Food Will Keep Needles on Tree

If you have the type of a tree-holder that permits the tree trunk to rest in water, you will find that a small amount of plant food dissolved in the water will aid in retaining the needles on the tree, and keep the needles green. If you use a pebble or rock-filled pail to support the tree, cover the pebbles or rock with a plant food solution.

Use one teaspoonful of plant food, powdered form, to each gallon of water in the container, or use one plant food tablet to each gallon of water.

## United States Top Buyer and Supplier In Tree Industry

The United States is the world's leading source of supply as well as the top buyer in the Christmas tree industry—a better than \$50,000,000 business.

The majority of our Christmas trees come from New England, New York and Pennsylvania, the north Middlewest, and the Northeast Pacific regions. In recent years, New Jersey has annually marketed around 100,000 trees for local use.

Most of the trees for Christmas sales are cut early in the fall and the trees are kept green with plenty of water until shipped to distribution centers.

Some mass producers, however, cut trees early in the new year, and treat them with preservatives and coloring solutions for storage in chilled warehouses.

### 'Snapdragon' Popular

A game called "snapdragon" was very popular at Christmas time in England more than 200 years ago. To a limited extent it is still played in some parts of England, as well as in America.

The original game called for a quantity of raisins to be deposited in a large bowl or dish. Brandy or some other spirit was then poured over the fruit and ignited. At a given signal, the participants attempted to snatch a raisin from the blazing bowl.



SECRETS . . . This little girl wants something for Christmas, but she's not telling anyone except Santa Claus, who looks like he understands the problem.

### Purple Heart Veteran Deported as Wetback

SAN ANTONIO—Immigration authorities sent a 21-year-old Purple Heart veteran of Korea back to Mexico as a "wetback" recently.

The veteran, Cpl. Alberto Gonzales of Monterrey, Mexico, was sent in an immigration bus to Laredo, Tex., to be put off in Mexico. Immigration Officer W. L. Meuhlhause said he had entered the United States on a dead man's birth certificate before he joined the American army three years ago. Wetbacks—named for those who swim the Rio Grande—are illegal entrants.

The G.I. Forum, which works on the problems of Latins in San Antonio, assigned an attorney, Richard Casilas, to the case with instructions to "go all the way to the state department if necessary" to allow Mr. Gonzales to live in the United States.

The immigration office said he was being allowed to leave the country "voluntarily" and predicted he could get a permanent visa from the American consul in Mexico that would allow him to come back in time for the wedding.

Mr. Gonzales was discharged from the army at Fort Sam Houston.

He joined the Army Sept. 17, 1948, and enlisted for another three years on the same date last year. Velia Sanchez, 20, his fiancee, said he had spent a year in Korea, with headquarters of the Eighth army.

"He was wounded in the hip and got a broken ear drum," she said. "He has the Purple Heart, five campaign stars, the United Nations ribbon, the Korean service ribbon and a unit citation."

### Spare Parts for Body Are Available to Man

NEW YORK—Spare parts for the human body still can't be ordered from a mail-order catalog. Nevertheless, the advance of medicine during the past few years has made available an imposing array of replacements for damaged or ineffective organs.

Following the development of the blood bank, first of the spare-part repositories, ingenious surgeons have found ways to maintain banks for eyes, bone, cartilage, arteries and veins. There are now methods for transplanting whole organs from one individual to another, and for constructing replacement organs from tissues taken from the patient's own body.

Some man-made spare parts, such as the artificial kidney, are already coming into clinical use, while others, among them the mechanical heart and plastic heart valves, are well along in the experiment.

Dried honey, a new product resulting from a drying process devised by USDA research engineers, gives bakers and candy makers an opportunity to use this wholesome sweetener to a greater extent than ever before.

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## Christmas Greetings



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George and Maggie

# Christmas Peace



May the wonderful peace of the first Christmas be yours this holiday season.

**O'Donnell Farmers Fuel Association**

## Contracts Are Important

At this time of year, many landlords and tenants are thinking about farm rental arrangements for 1961. While some operate from year to year on the basis of verbal agreements regulated largely by local custom, written leases are better and may save disagreement and hard feelings between the parties.

Farming is a business and should be conducted in a businesslike manner for best success. Rental contracts involve a full year's work by the tenant and possibly thousands of dollars for both parties. A few dollars spent on a properly drawn lease is good business economy.

A farm lease is not a simple paper. Printed lease forms often turn out to be traps if not understood, or if not properly executed. A farmer-tenant contract is intricate and of such importance to both parties concerned that amateur draftmanship is risky.

Fixing of cash rent or designating the length of term are relatively simple. Yet, even in these matters, ambiguity or incompleteness can cause bitter disputes and expensive lawsuits.

A loosely drawn property description may have consequences entirely unintended by either landlord or tenant. Where rent is to be based on acreage, an accurate description is doubly important.

In addition, there are legal rules to substitute for some omissions in written leases. For example, a holdover by the tenant may automatically renew the contract if the lease is silent on the subject. It is as important to know the results of omissions as to know the courts' interpretation of the language used.

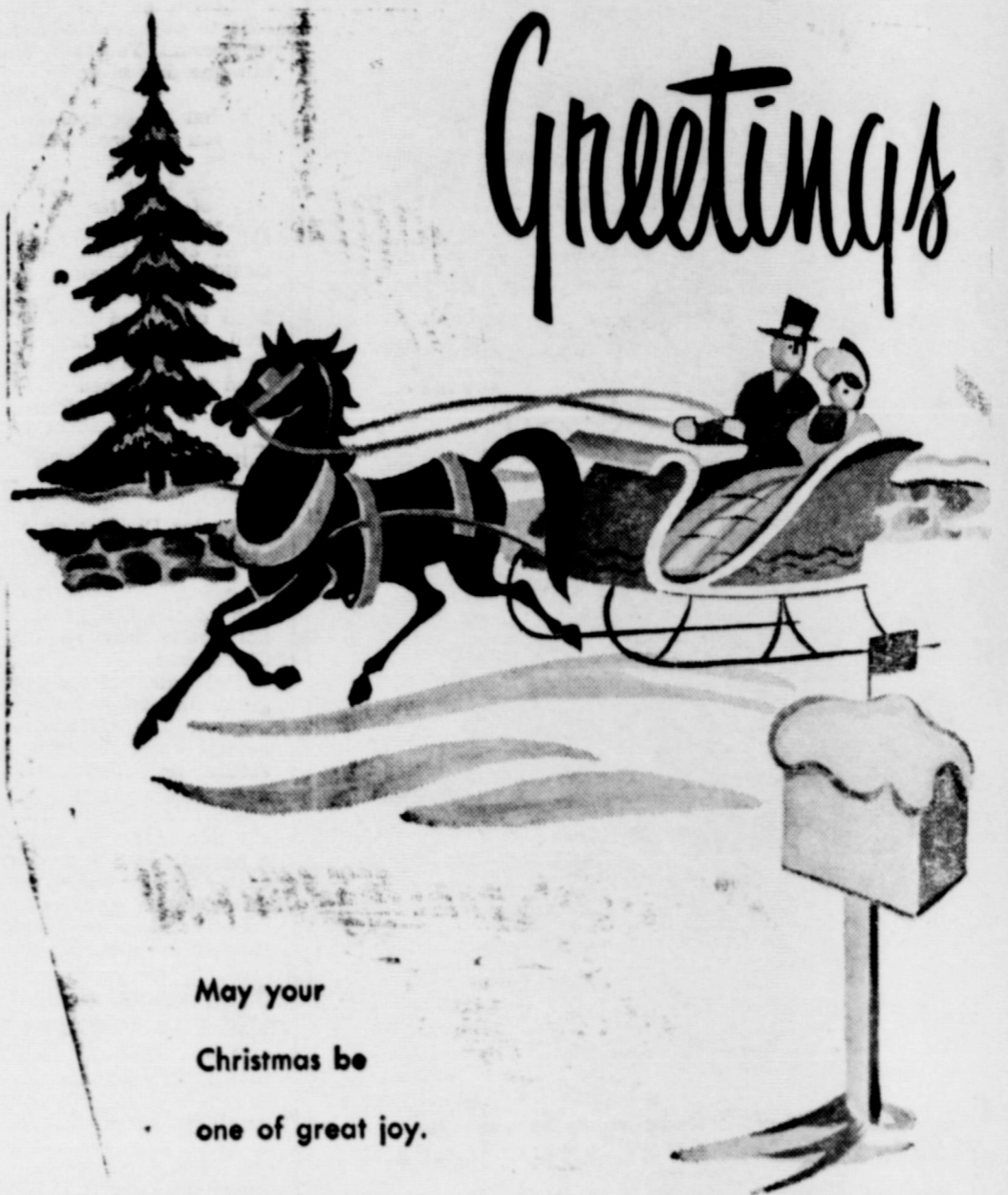
There are many matters which should be covered by a properly drawn lease. For instance, if a tenant is to farm on a share basis, care should be taken to define what expenses are to be paid by the parties as well as what shares are to be taken out. A lease should cover such things as who is to make repairs, what land is to be cropped, whether the tenant can cut timber, whether loss of a building by fire or other cause frees the tenant, or whether the landlord must accept a sub-tenant.

One great cause of difficulty with leases is blind faith on the part of the persons involved that all differences of opinion can be worked out. Poor memories as to verbal agreements can cause disputes between persons even though they are both honest and generous.

Many of the possibilities that should be covered by a properly drawn lease will not occur to inexperienced persons. The renting of land deserves a written contract, and it is a contract too important to be entrusted to anyone other than an expert.

### CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

A friendly Church serving a friendly community in a needy world invites you. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Morning Worship at 11:00 a. m. Evening Worship at 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting each Wednesday at 8 p. m.



May your Christmas be one of great joy.

**O'Donnell Implement Co.**  
Carr Spraberry, Owner



Joy to the World

And may the light of the Christmas star shine upon you and bring you peace.

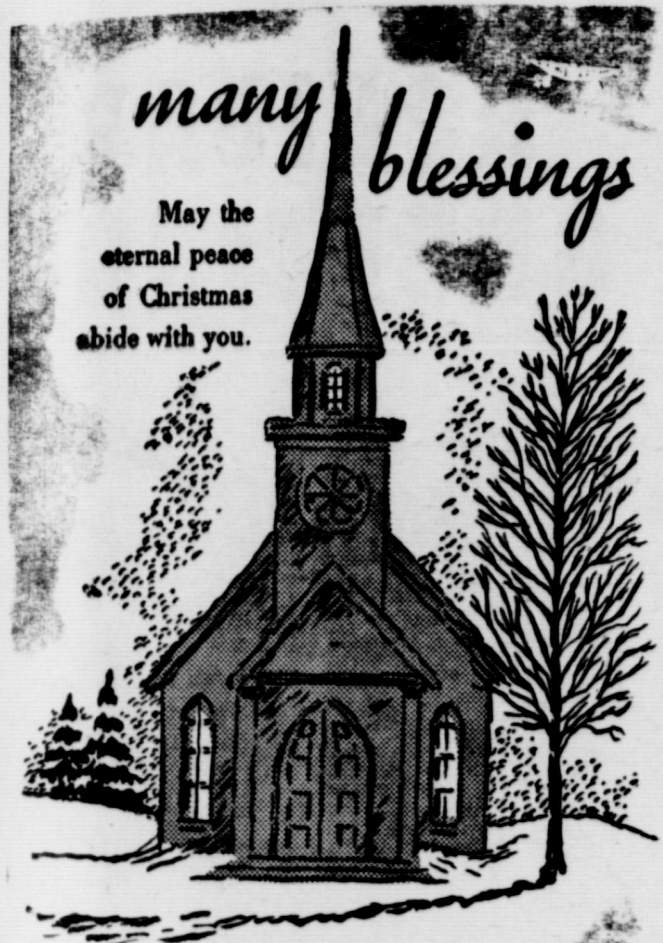
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### "Greetings by Mail" Originated in 1846, Now a Modern Custom

Look at the paintings on the Christmas cards you send and receive — you'll find famous names and some of the best contemporary art. Here is how it all began.

On a December day in 1846, a middleclass Englishman, Henry Cole, sat at the library desk of his London home addressing to his friends what were probably the first Christmas cards ever printed. The cards depicted a Victorian family assembled at the festive board and the traditional Christmas customs of giving to the poor. They also bore the now-classic greeting: "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you."

Cole, in a historic move, two months before had commissioned John Calcott Horsley, a Royal



Academy artist, to paint the illustration for the card and had struck off a thousand lithographed copies. He dispatched them that December. This was such a markedly successful stroke of good will that plain Henry Cole subsequently became Sir Henry Cole.

Horsley's art was a far cry from today's Christmas card paintings, but he started a cycle which a hundred years later was to bring fine art into high favor on Christmas cards.

An American shopping for cards may select, for instance, a painting called "Snow Under the Arch" by another Royal Academy member—Winston Churchill, Britain's wartime prime minister and famed amateur artist. Or he might choose Peter Hurd's "One Night in Winter" or "Grandma" Moses' "The White Church" or "The Nativity" by Alexander Ross.

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Make sure the cotton planting seed which you store on the farm doesn't become infested with insects which can severely damage the seed between now and planting time next spring. Extension Entomologist C. F. Garner and Fred Elliott, cotton specialist, suggest the local county agent be contacted for information on seed treatment.

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Accidental farm death rates connected with machinery, drownings, firearms and electricity are increasing and the Texas Farm and Ranch

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Peace and contentment be yours this Christmas.

## The Fabric Shop

LAMESA, TEXAS



May a serene happiness be yours this Holiday Season



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LAMESA, TEXAS



The poinsettia has no Christmas legend and its adoption as a symbol or decoration for Christmas is of recent origin. In Spain it is known as the flor de noche-buena, and is connected with the sentiment of Christmas.

Its beautiful flaming star is one of the favorite flowers of the Christmas season, and its use as an indoor decoration is universal.

### Legends of Holly

Many beliefs are connected with the Christmas holly:

Legends relate that the crown of thorns was plaited from the holly, the white berries turning red like drops of blood after the crucifixion.



It is said that whoever brings the holly into the house first, either husband or wife, is the one who will rule in the ensuing year.

For many years the superstition persisted that holly was hateful to witches. It was placed on doors and windows to keep out evil spirits.



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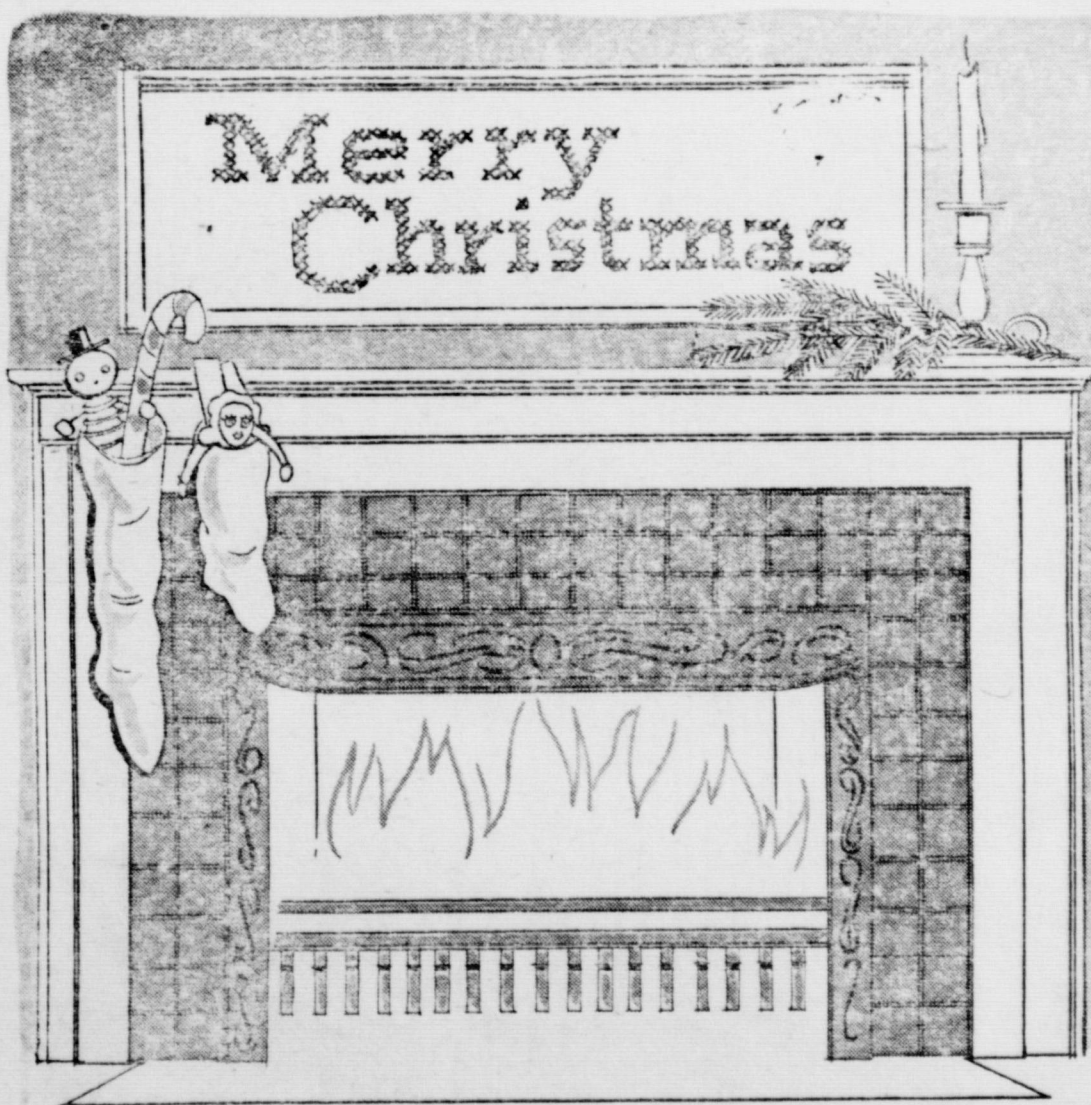


Let us pause at this season and recall Him in peace and quiet joy.

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To old friends, and to new friends we hope to earn, it is a pleasure to extend best wishes of the season.

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Merry CHRISTMAS



The Rebel Beauty Shop

ZHELL SINGLETON AND STAFF

**Abbreviation, Xmas Of Greek Origin**

There has been much unfavorable comment on the abbreviated form for Christmas that is commonly used. Many think it inappropriate and undignified to use the shortened form, Xmas.

The explanation of its origin is that the initial letter of the Greek name for Christ is X and the coincidence of its cruciform shape led to an early adoption of this letter as the figure and symbol of Christ. X is frequently found on walls of the catacombs. When the early Christians wished to make a representation of the Trinity, they would place either a cross or an X beside the names of the Father and the Holy Ghost. From this came the shortened form Xmas, instead of Christmas.

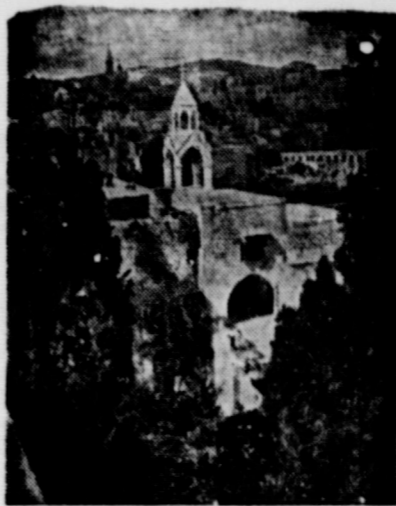
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**Everyone Wants To See Just One 'Good Old' Yule**

"How I would long to see just one more 'old-fashioned Christmas!'"

These are familiar words at this time of the year. Before the Yuletide season is over, some member of the family, grandfather or grandmother, probably, is certain to pass that remark, as they have done each Christmas of the past.

And yet, if we search back into the records . . . to the turn of the century, . . . we find that, even then, someone was wishing for "an old-fashioned Christmas." It is then that we realize that the celebration of the birth of Christ has not changed greatly with the passage of centuries. Basically, Christmas is the same, year after year. It is only the world and the people who are not the same.

He may not admit it, but when grandfather first began to raise a family, he overheard his elders musing over the changing Christmas customs and heralding the approach to "complete commercialism" of the Yuletide celebration. Even then they were worried.

No one can deny that Christmas has been greatly "commercialized" since the days of early America. Yet, so has the entire nation. In the days of our ancestors there were none of the vast trading centers and commercial marts that we know today. Our very way of life has been greatly changed with modernization. Our holidays, and Christmas is the principal one, have managed to keep abreast.

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With the rising toll of highway deaths in the state, many of them rural residents, the Texas Farm & Ranch Safety Council urges drivers to slow down when driving on rural roads. Because all roads intersections are not marked, they advise slowing to a stoppable speed before crossing any road. Farm traffic is considerably heavier at this season, and hence, the extra caution.



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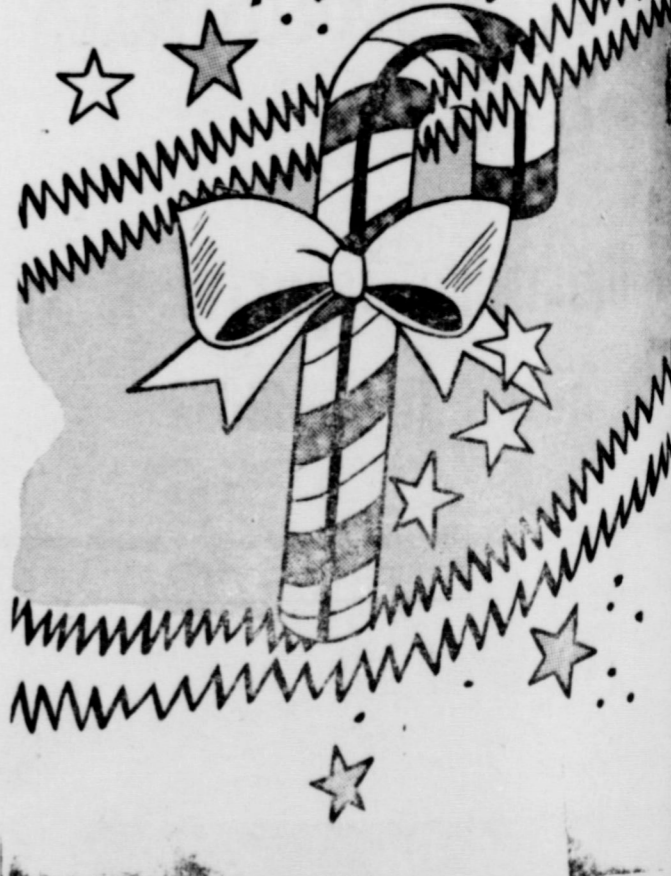
**HOLIDAY GREETINGS**



**The Vogue**

LAMESA, TEXAS

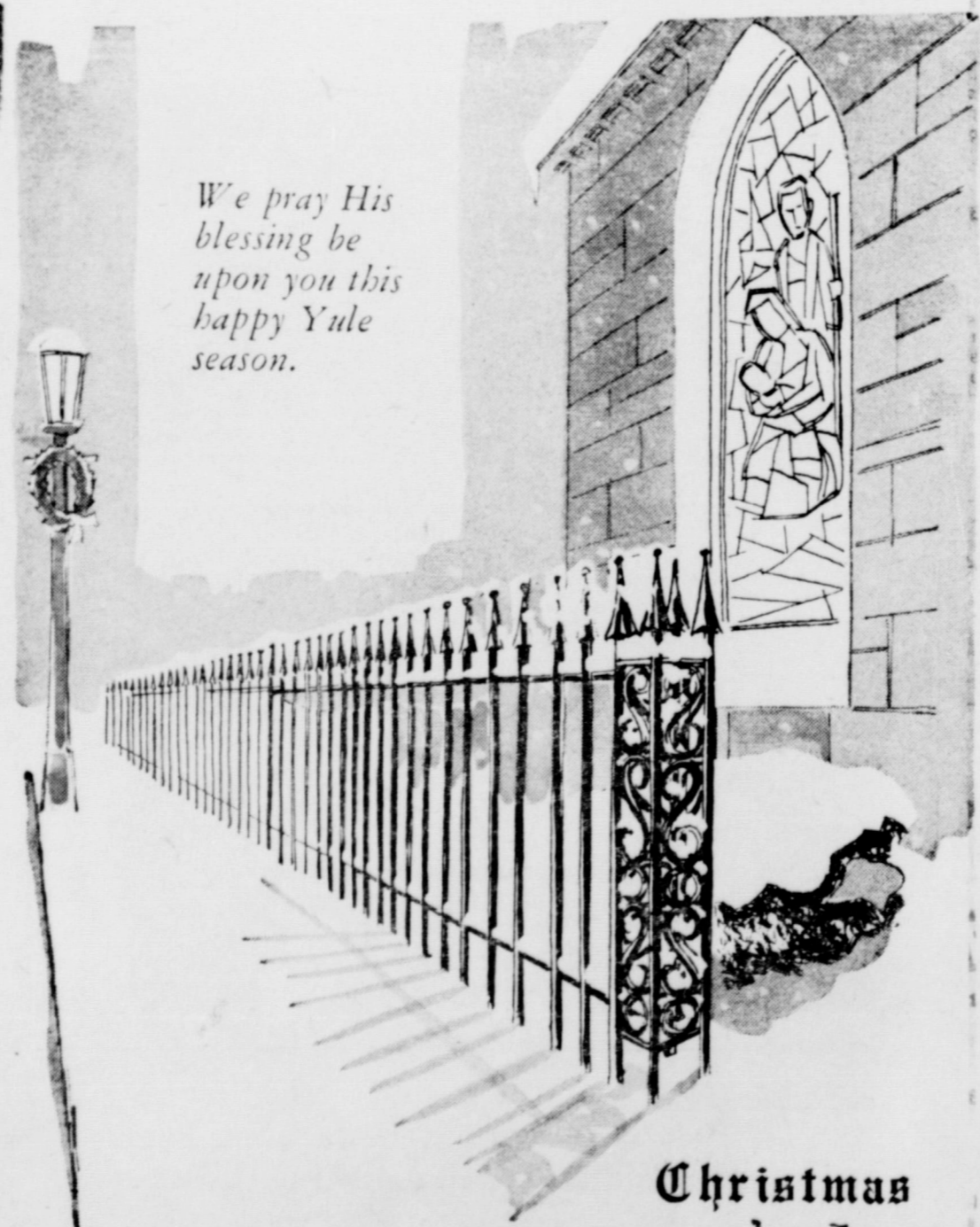
**Merry Christmas**



Collins Department Store

LAMESA, TEXAS

We pray His blessing be upon you this happy Yule season.



Christmas

Stanley Funeral Home  
TAHOKA, TEXAS



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Nevertheless, he explained the \$3,600 minimum teacher pay proposed by the commission is \$400 short of the \$4,000 minimum which has been recommended and approved by TSTA, the Texas Congress of Parents and Teachers, and other organizations interested in education.

The \$4,000 minimum was presented to the Legislature in 1959 and is fully supported by recommendations which the 254 county Hale-Aikin committees made more than two years ago.

"If the full \$4,000 is approved by the Legislature, it will do no more than place Texas at the average paid teachers in other states," Bowles emphasized, "since Texas is now more than \$700 below this average. A \$400 increase represents a half-step at a time when a full step is essential."

Bowles pointed out that the commission did recommend approximately the same maximum teacher salaries that have been included in the TSTA-supported program, although it would require longer to reach the maximums.

He also pointed out that the allotment for transportation, although on a slightly different formula, would involve approximately the same increase in total funds for school bus operation.

However, Bowles said the commission actually recommended a decrease in the allotment of funds for maintenance and operation of schools in districts with fewer than 75 teachers and the increase for

larger districts would be extremely negligible.

"The cost of maintaining and operating a school program has almost doubled since the original formula was set up in 1949," he reminded, "and to reduce this amount does not appear defensible."

Big cities and other rapidly growing areas were left out of the commission's recommendations also, Bowles noted. He found no recommendation for providing State aid to such districts on the current year's school attendance, rather than the present system based on the preceding year's attendance.

The TSTA president said that TSTA will present its full program to the 57th Legislature with the knowledge that it already has the endorsement of thousands of Texas citizens.

"Recognizing the real emergency which confronts our schools, we solicit the understanding and support of this program by every Texan who is concerned with providing better educational opportunities for Texas children to meet the demands of our rapidly changing times," he declared.

The TSTA program calls for among other things: A beginning annual salary of \$4,014, for a bachelor degree teacher (present \$3,204); an increase of \$380 per school bus; and an average increase of \$125 per teacher for maintenance and operation.

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl five years old. I have tried to be a good little girl. Please bring me a bicycle and a co'orform set. Don't Mike and Randy in Japan. I love you.

Janice Nelms

—oOo—

Dear Santa,

I want you to bring me a bicycle—size 26 and a pair of lofer shoes size 2 1-2 and some pants.

Oh, bring my little sister a tricycle.

By By Santa, Please bring it. Santiago Rios, Jr.

See us before you sell your "H" cotton, C N. Hoffman

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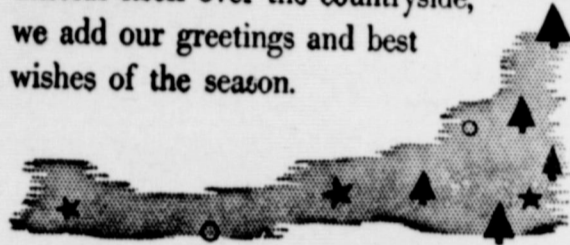


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Come in and pick and choose to your heart's content!



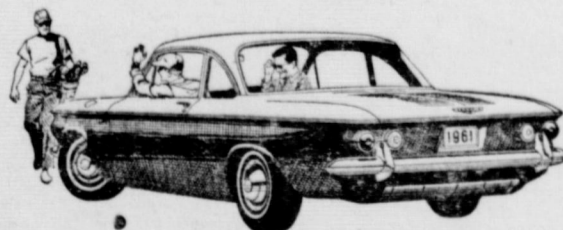
New '61 Chevrolet NOMAD 9-PASSENGER STATION WAGON

There are six easier loading Chevrolet wagons for '61—ranging from budget-pleasing Brookwoods to luxurious Nomads. Each has a cave-sized cargo opening measuring almost five feet across and a concealed compartment for stowing valuables (with an optional extra-cost lock).



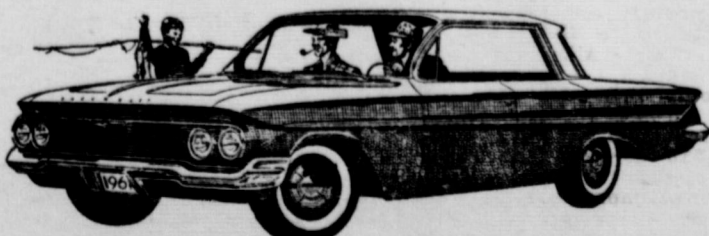
New '61 Chevrolet IMPALA 2-DOOR SEDAN

Here's a new measure of elegance from the most elegant Chevrolets of all. There's a full line of five Impalas—each with sensible new dimensions right back to an easier-to-pack trunk that loads down at bumper level and lets you pile baggage 15% higher.



New lower priced '61 CORVAIR 700 CLUB COUPE

There's a whole crew of new Chevy Corvairs for '61—polished and perfected to bring you spunk, space and savings. Lower priced sedans and coupes offer nearly 12% more room under the hood for your luggage—and you can also choose from four new family-lovin' wagons.



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Merry CHRISTMAS



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AIM AT MORE MONEY FOR STATE'S TEACHERS

Officials of the Texas State Teachers Association expressed deep disappointment and concern regarding recommendations by the State Finance Advisory Commission for the improvement in education.

TSTA Pres. D. Richard Bowles of Austin said the governor's citizen commission recommended only one-half of the increase in teacher salaries proposed by TSTA for presentation to the 57th Legislature.

"The total State expenditure for improvement of education recommended by the commission is \$67.5 million for the biennium compared with \$160 required to finance the full TSTA - Hale - Aikin program," Bowles noted. "This would mean only \$23.7 million per year which is only one-third of the amount requested and is little more than \$10 per student," Bowles pointed out. "This will not provide material improvements in the public school system of Texas."

"If our schools were in comparable position with other states of the nation, these recommendations would, for the most part, be excellent," Bowles continued. "But they now fall far short of removing the lag which has built up in our program during the last five years."

Bowles expressed appreciation for the commission's efforts and for the time they have devoted to the study.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. W. McCrary, Rt. 3, Tahoka, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Joan, to Melvin Ray Lobstein, son of Mrs. Lucy Lobstein, Rt. B, Lamesa.

The bride-elect, a graduate of O'Donnell High School, is employed at First National Bank in Lamesa. Lobstein, who graduated from the Lamesa school system, is serving in the U. S. Army and is stationed at Fort Sam Houston. The couple will be married in a ceremony January 15, in the First Baptist Church here.

The number of farm and urban families, homemakers and youth receiving assistance from the Cooperative Extension Service of the USDA and Land-Grant Colleges and Universities last year set a new record. More than 13 million people took advantage of the agency's "out-of-school" educational program to help solve farm, home and community problems—an increase of 7 percent over the previous year.

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**Hose 79c**

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