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## Virginia, 50 Years Later, Still Believes in Santa Claus

NEW YORK—Just 50 years ago a small girl, panged with doubt, sat down and wrote a letter to a newspaper that asked an immortal question — and received an immortal answer.

The girl was eight-year-old Virginia O'Hanion. Her troubled question: "Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?"

Today little Virginia is a 58-year-old school principal who never since has questioned the reality of Santa Claus.

The newspaperman who answered her back in 1897 with an unsigned editorial published in the New York Sun was Francis P. Church, and his reply has become a part of American Christmas folklore.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy."

### Nothing Else Real

Church went on to point out that there is nothing else real and abiding but the beauty of the unseen world whose passwords are faith, fancy, poetry and romance, and concluded:

"No Santa Claus! Thank God, he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, may ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."

Church died a number of years ago, and the little Virginia whose faith in Santa Claus he kept is now Mrs. Edward Douglas, a widow and principal of a public

school in Manhattan's lower east side.

Curiously, the girl who asked the famous question and the man who gave the famous answer never met or saw each other.

A trim, pleasant-faced woman with gray hair and blue eyes, Mrs. Douglas recalled that at first she was mildly displeased by the original publication of her letter because schoolmates teased her.

"But the editorial that Mr. Church wrote means even more to me now than then. As each year passes I see more in it."

Its philosophy has influenced her own life, and she still believes with a whole heart in the things for which Santa Claus is one symbol.

Annually people from all parts of America write her the joy they have found in reading the famous editorial. She enjoys them all except a few from cranks who accuse her of personally inventing Santa Claus to confuse the downtrodden masses.

Mrs. Douglas has a daughter and six grandchildren, and her lifetime teaching career has kept her close to the world of childhood. Her school is in a poor neighborhood which is predominantly Jewish.

"Children today are more sophisticated than when I was young," she said. "They begin to have doubts about Santa Claus at an earlier age. One reason is they are more mechanically minded and they just can't figure how Santa can do what he's supposed to with nothing but reindeer pulling him."



Mary, Mother of Jesus is portrayed by Jo Ann Dobbs of Menard in the annual Texas State College for Women presentation of "The Story of the Nativity," written by Pres. L.H. Hubbard.

### WISDOM

It taketh age to make a sage,  
The wise no longer doubt it;  
The older we grow the more we know  
And the less we brag about it.

Mix together 1 pound of graham crackers rolled fine, 1 cup chopped maraschino cherries, 1 cup chopped marshmallows, 1 or 2 cups nuts, and one-half pint of heavy whipping cream. Chill in a long refrigerator dish. You'll have ice-box fruit cake.

The name Arkansas is an Indian name signifying "smoky water, with a French prefix meaning "bow".

## Highlights of the Year's Happenings in Brief Review

A glance back at the year now ending discloses incidents of outstanding interest. It has been an eventful year for Muenster. Some of those who were with us have gone to their reward. New friends have moved in, old friends have gone to other places. Notable advancement has been made in the direction of community progress.

To refresh your memory, the Enterprise presents a series of notes, gathered from its file of the present year.

Jan. 3, 1947 — Burglars visit four local business houses on Dec. 26; break into Waples Painter, Shamburger, FMA Plant; interrupted at Jimmy's Service Station; losses are small. Arthur Felderhoff is new manager of Muenster Mill; R.R. Endres retires. Construction is begun on 40 x 80 building for lawn mower factory. Cold weather sends mercury to 8 above zero during the weekend. First Sacred Heart school alumni dinner-dance is hailed as precedent for future years' gatherings. Eugene Hoedbeck marries Elsie Sanchez of Alva, Okla.

Jan. 10 — Joseph Kreitz, 89, dies Wednesday after extended illness. Mercury plunges to 2 below to crowd 48 year local record. Barnhart takes over as local hatchery begins its thirteenth year. Mrs. Joe Voth and Mrs. John Furbach submit to major operations. Sister Eymard is recovering from a fractured ankle which is in a cast since broken on Jan. 2. F.J. Faecke, formerly of Muenster, dies in Denison. Earl Walterscheid is elected president

of Holy Name Society. Cecil Cain and Ida Belle Travis are married.

Jan. 17 — Report at FMA general meeting reveals increased volume on less production. R.T. Lutz, oil operator, found dead on lease early Wednesday. Civic League and Garden Club outlines interesting program for 1947. Bank stockholders re-elect directors and declare dividend. Theodore Nogler fractured his right leg in a fall on the snow covered ground. Thieves steal T.P. Frost's bath tub. Scouts of Troop 164 get uniforms after passing tests. Mildred Fleitman of Lindsay is named Gold Star girl of county 4-H clubs. William Bergman is a patient at Gainesville Sanitarium following a heart attack. Josephine Hirsch and Joe Gehring marry in Dallas Saturday. Marcus Fuhrmann and Catherine Lueb are united Tuesday. Della Mae Moore and Joe Cason marry on Jan. 7. The Matt Muellers are honored on 38th wedding anniversary. Marie Schmitt of Lindsay marries George Rohleder of Fort Worth.

Jan. 24 — Chip of steel in Pat Hennigan's right eye may cost him his sight. Bowlers organize for a round robin tournament. Attendance at Sacred Heart P-TA meeting is increased as result of contest now in progress. Dennis, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Norbert Koesler, is improved after having his lungs tapped at Dallas hospital following serious illness. Paul Endres has operation at Sherman. (Continued on Page 2)



### And Best Wishes

For your health,  
happiness and  
prosperity through  
the coming year

Muenster Milling Company  
Muenster



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NEWS REVIEW

Bud Bernauer quits filling station business. Joe Endres returns from McKinney hospital where he underwent treatment. George Schmidkofer of Lindsay marries Louise Magee of this city. Lindsay mothers reelect Mrs. Jake Bezner as president of society.

Jan. 31 — Death claims Ben Rowe, 50, after three months' illness. Family reunion observes golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Wolf. Mrs. V.M. Ramsey, Marysville pioneer, dies Saturday. Grain crop hurt by recent cold wave; some is being reseeded. Bob Ryle's mother passes away at Sherman. R. L. Mc-Nelley's father, 84, of Fort Worth succumbs to heart attack. Lawn mower factory building nears completion. Five new homes are under construction. Frank Kaiser has operation on left eye lid in Sherman hospital. Pat Hennigan's eye injury will leave only a slight defect. Thieves complete bathroom with lift of commode and lavatory at Ben Seyler's. Otto Walterscheid buys Magnolia station. Ervin Hamric, former partner, goes into the trucking business. New installations extend city sewer lines 750 feet. REA bowlers hold lead in tourney. Capt. Robert

Hutton marries Minnesota girl in France.

Feb. 7 — Dinner dance honors members of Hornet 1946 football team. Cheese factory will sponsor dairy conference featuring A & M College speakers. Wilfred Walterscheid gets army commendation medal for heroism in action while on Ryukyu Island. Group Communion and breakfast will observe National Boy Scout Week here. FMA bowlers take lead. Relax Theatre patrons contribute \$82.29 to March of Dimes. Deadline finds only 5 per cent of city taxes delinquent. Al Flemmans are honored on 19th wedding anniversary. John B. Herr observes 86 birthday. Breakfast car breaks Paul Arendt's left leg.

Feb. 14 — 300 farmers and students hear A & M specialists in all day dairy conference here. Death ends lingering illness of Frank Popp, 53, of near Gainesville. Lawn mower factory building is complete, machines are being set up. Jos. Fisher underwent a major operation in Dallas Wednesday. REA bowlers ahead again in tourney. Thomas Mosier has his appendix removed. Buddy Bernauer is a patient at Gainesville Sanitarium. Parents and Scouts gather to observe Scout Week with religious ceremony and breakfast. Rosemary Fisch marries Herbert Willis in Okmulgee. Saturday ceremony



CHICAGO, ILL.—Some of the new and ingenious toys available this year are demonstrated by the Humphrey children. Jane (left) holds a Baby Sparkle Plenty doll and drinks a soda which Richard (right) has just made from his aluminum toy soda fountain that actually works. Bill, Jr. (center) holds a Mickey Mouse Weather House which forecasts good or bad weather. Other toys shown here are the new miniature plastic furniture (far left) and the tractor and hay-ra (center, foreground) which operates just like the real thing.

unites Mary Antoinette Fisch of Fort Worth and Dan Biggins of that city. Tuesday ceremony unites Nina Mae Owen and Raymond Laux of Lindsay.

Feb. 21 — Light rain and snow do not meet local need for moisture. Telephone company buys location half block off Main Street for new building. Kaiser-Meurer start on service station beside car agency. County grocers and local business people have dinner in parish hall Thursday night. Parochial seniors start rehearsals for class play. Bill Hess leases Bud's Service Station. Air Scout squadron elects Clyde Fisher as pilot. Bud Bernauer enters Oklahoma City hospital for treatment. Traditional ceremony ushers in Lenten season. Lindsay Sodality girls elect Beatrice Block president. Catherine Pittner and John Arend marry in Gainesville ceremony. H.S. Fuhrmanns of Lindsay observe 25th wedding anniversary.

Feb. 28 — Münster's quota in Red Cross drive is \$1,000. Münster Rodeo will give first performance in April. Mary Jo Walter of Gainesville wins first prize in history contest of Cooke county. REA bowlers continue

league lead in second division of tournament. Mrs. Mike Kleiss undergoes major operation in Sherman. Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Cooke observe 60th wedding anniversary. Steve Markham gets fractured skull in fall at Subiaco Academy. Donald Walterscheid has appendix removed. Little change noted in Bud Bernauer's condition. Mrs. Henry Pette submits to major operation in Gainesville.

Mar. 7 — Urban Endres is chairman of Red Cross drive here. Miller-Rohmer & Wimmer start work on garage-filling station. Irma Hofbauer wins county first prize on elementary history essay. Leonard Bengfort of Lindsay wins county 4-H gold star honor. David Haverkamp is ill with rheumatic fever. Officers recover Dr. Myrick's stolen car in Bowie a day after the theft.

March 14 — Death Wednesday night ends lingering illness of

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May the joys of the Christmas Season go with you throughout the coming year, and may your share of happiness be brightened by the acknowledgment of our appreciation of your past favor.

We gather our share of happiness by giving our service to this community and our cordial and heartfelt wishes for your prosperity and good health.

Muenster Machine Shop & Supply Co.



HERE words cannot begin to bring you the many good wishes which we hold for you and your family. As a tiny token of our high regard for your patronage and friendships during the past year, and as a renewed pledge of the service which we constantly strive to offer, may we take this occasion to send you our very best wishes for a happy Christmas and a New Year filled with all the good things of life.

Nick and Adelina

Muenster

Greetings

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The Ladies Shop

Irene Goslin

Gainesville



MERRY CHRISTMAS  
and  
HAPPY NEW YEAR!



And may we add our sincere thanks for the many kindnesses that you have shown us in the past.

Because of your consideration the past year has been an enjoyable experience, one in which we have had the confidence and esteem of the people whom we serve. We only hope that we may continue to merit your good will and patronage, so that our policy of friendly, helpful service to all may be maintained.

Gainesville National Bank

NEWS REVIEW . . .

Buddy Bernauer, 33. J.A. Bridges, 66, of Bulcher dies. Snow and rain bring much needed relief to community crops. Mrs. Katy Roberg undergoes major operation in Gainesville. Mrs. Clarence Wilson submits to major operation in Sherman. Arnold Rohmer loses big toe on left foot in accident.

March 21 — William Bergman, 78, dies Sunday of heart ailment. Final service for Bud Bernauer is held Saturday. Muenster refinery offers plant for sale. Two-inch snow falls Saturday. Community drives for war relief and Red Cross net \$1,500. Blindness in left eye threatens Robert Hesse, three year old son of Joe Hesse. Mrs. Andrew Schoech has major operation. Henry Sicking is recovering from an eye operation. Telephone bowlers lead in tourney. Joe and Meinrad Hesse enter feed store business south of depot. Willie Fuhrmann of Lindsay is first to get Camp Howze land back.

March 28 — W.R. Cannon, 81, Bulcher pioneer dies Saturday. City proclamation asks observance of Good Friday. 40 per cent increase in city's population since 1940 is noted with completion of census which lists 841 residents. Phone company bowlers are winners in second half of tourney. The Shanty, Muenster's

ice cream and soda center, will open Saturday; Mrs. E.P. Buckley is owner and operator. Mrs. Joe Luke will open floral business. News of Mary Kessler's death reaches here. J.W. Hess is reelected president of St. Joseph's Society.

April 4 — Highway patrolmen give safety lecture at Public School P-TA meeting. Coralee Fuhrmann is Muenster duchess for Gainesville circus round-up; Clyde Fisher is duke escort. George Loeffelholz, community pioneer, dies in Oklahoma. Mrs. Herman Pierce has operation in Dallas. Slump in chicken sales is reason for early close on Muenster Hatchery. Mrs. August Reiter is a patient at Gainesville Sanitarium. Cheese plant office moves to new upstairs location. Quiet city election returns Mayor Weinzapfel and Aldermen Andy Hofbauer and J.A. Fisher to office; Richard Cain is new alderman replacing Henry Stelzer, who resigned.

April 11 — Death Sunday night ends long illness of Mary Markowitz. Muenster GI's have chance to organize agriculture class. Scouts and altar boys all set for joint weekend outing and field mass. Eleonora Miller, Cooke county girl, represents Texas at national 4-H rally in Washington, D.C. Mrs. John Hacker submits to major operation. Scholastic census shows 505 students. Early discovery of



These Chicago children look with awe at the 46-foot Christmas tree at Marshall Field & Company's Walnut Tea room. One thousand two hundred fifty ornaments, built to scale in the store's own work-rooms, adorn the tree. Twelve persons, standing on scaffolding, spent an entire day trimming it.

fire at A.C. Stelzer's prevents possible conflagration.

April 18 — Tony and Miss Theresa Hesse and Mrs. John Felderhoff escape injury when their car drops down 15-foot embankment near Whitesboro. Milk receipts at PMA plant top all time record with over 100,000 pounds. Rodeo opening is rained out; will try again next Saturday. Muenster business men will sponsor 4-H calf show to feature opening. Near three inch rain perks up prospects for good 1947 grain crops. Fred Hennigan and Tony Hoengig join in gas and oil agency. Five hundred members of North Texas CYO gather for Gainesville program. Rain cuts last day of weekend outing for scout groups.

April 25 — Muenster is host to over 200 K-C's for initiation and banquet Sunday. Senior scouts take honors in weekend contest at Cowtown. 250 youths gather here for district Sodality convention. Agriculture course for Muenster GI's will begin Thursday. Meinrad Hesse and Albert Henscheid organize H and H Feed Store. Sister Remigia is a patient at St. Vincent's hospital in Sherman. Rained out and almost chilled out, rodeo has big hopes for next show. Mower samples are completed; regular production is delayed by shortage of materials. Relax Theatre installs new screen and sound equipment. Iris show features regular meeting of Garden Club. Jeff Linn marries California

girl in Los Angeles. Lindsay boys win top honors in 4-H show at local rodeo Saturday. Soil conservation district is organized by North Lindsay farmers.

May 2 — Rodeo shows to capacity crowd. Funeral for Rev. Shelby West of Bulcher is held Thursday. August Friske has major operation in Sherman. Barbara Boyles is recovering from painful burns on her right leg. Eighty new mail boxes are installed at local post office. Enlarging begins at Jimmy's Service Station. S.H. Seniors present class play Sunday. William Fuhrmann and Imogene Bezner are

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MERRY CHRISTMAS  
AND  
HAPPY NEW YEAR  
to all our friends  
**H & H Oil Company**  
Fred and T.W. Hennigan  
Muenster

Anthony and Leona  
at the  
**Variety Store**  
Extend  
Heartiest  
**Christmas  
Greetings**

**Christmas**  
HERE'S WISHING A  
Very Merry Christmas  
TO YOU, AND YOU, AND YOU  
... OUR FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS  
AND CUSTOMERS.  
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**A  
VERY  
MERRY  
Christmas  
TO EACH OF  
OUR MANY  
FRIENDS IN THIS  
AREA. AND A MOST  
SINCERE THANKS FOR  
ALL CONSIDERATIONS AND  
FAVORS. MAY THE SEASON  
HOLD UNTOLD HAPPINESS  
FOR  
ALL  
CHRISTMAS GREETINGS**

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NEWS REVIEW . . .

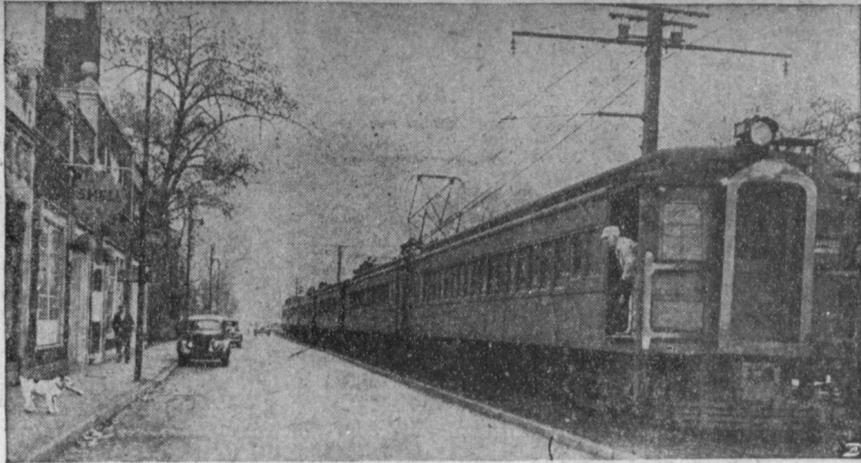
married. Garden Club announces flower show for June.

May 9 — Three-inch down-pour gives community good soaking. Eleven men are enrolled in GI agriculture course. City tax rate set at \$1.50 for current year. R.R. Tucker, 65, of Bucher, dies Sunday. Muenster softball teams will open season Friday. Mercury up to 96 degrees Sunday. Bernice Haverkamp and Raymond Kupper marry here Wednesday. Annual Junior-Senior banquet Sunday is gala affair honoring the seniors. May Queen ceremony is held at Lindsay; Lucille Fuhrmann chosen for honor. Earl Swingler wins car at VFW party.

May 16 — Parochial students win 34 prizes on soil conservation essays. Walter Eberhart is critically ill following emergency operation at Sherman. Community farmers get into action as rains finally stop. Rev. Thomas Buergler of Rhineland, former pastor, is named to start new parish at Corpus Christi. Large attendance honors Father Thomas at silver jubilee program. Hornets end spring training with 44-6 win over Denison. 12 scouts are decorated at court of honor ceremony Sunday. Mrs. Wm. Walterscheid undergoes major surgery at Sherman. Garden Club enjoys pilgrimage and outing. Florentine Trubenbach completes nurses training in San Antonio.

May 23 — More than 300 jam ball park Sunday for best horse show to date. Another 2.5 inch rain falls here. Walter Becker will open new service station Saturday. Walter Eberhart is recovering. Mrs. J.M. Weinzapfel is elected grand regent of CDA court. CDA members collect 335 pounds clothing for war victims. Frank Hennigan and Rose Marie Endres marry Thursday. Ten high and eight grade school students graduate at Lindsay Sunday.

May 30 — Heart attack is fatal to J.B. Tanner, 79, Gainesville merchant. Mrs. Rudy Hellman is reelected as president of Sacred Heart P-TA. Cold and rain cause further delay but little crop damage. David Lehnertz receives minor injuries in motorcycle crash. Ten pupils graduate Wednesday from Public school. Freshman



CHICAGO, ILL.—Hjalmar Johnson's dog Spot is shown as he meets 7:02 a.m. Illinois Central train at Windsor Park station here, to get his master's daily paper from Engineer W. E. Stokes, pictured in car door. Trained by Stokes, the dog has been calling for the paper every morning for five years. Johnson lives at 2700 E. 75th street, Chicago.

class wins cup and 50 dollars award for best attendance of parents at P-TA meetings during the term. Geneva Gremminger and Maurice Pagel marry Tuesday. 48 parochial grade pupils get diplomas Friday.

June 6 — Death ends long illness of Mrs. J.S. Myrick, 81; funeral is held in Austin. Binders and combines begin harvest grind; grain elevators open for business. Air scouts elect Paul Luke as squadron pilot. Eighteen parochial high school students get diplomas Sunday. Smyrel Owens has appendix removed. Herbert Meurer is elected national K of C delegate to Boston convention. Farewell tributes honor the H.P. Hennigan family; moving to Albuquerque, N.M. Lindsay young men assume care of parish cemetery.

June 13 — Community farmers near half-way mark in harvesting; quality and yield are good. Two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. P.W. Hellman is electrocuted at Tulsa, Okla., home. GI agriculture class now has 17 members. Robert Mitchell moves here as new director of local soil office. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hoedbeck are complimented on 47th

wedding anniversary. Cub scout pack is organized with 20 members; Ed Endres is Oub Master. Mrs. Frank Kathman undergoes major operation. Leon Hess suffers no ill effects from civet cat bite. Omer Baumhardt and June Walker marry Friday at Sherman. Dallas rite unites Lawrence Schmitz of Lindsay and Mary Alice Pass.

June 20 — Death Saturday ends extended illness of Harry F. Couch, 51. Lindsay celebration marks Rev. Joseph Fuhrmann's silver jubilee. Threshers begin operating. Agnes Felderhoff is a patient at Gainesville Sanitarium for treatment. Scouts take swimming tests while on outing at Katy Lake.

June 27 — Mrs. Wm. Wieler, pioneer resident, passes suddenly Tuesday after long illness. 3.5 inches of rain causes near-crisis in grain harvesting. 450 persons acclaim community flower show here Sunday. Virginia Walterscheid has appendix removed. Twin sons are born to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hellman; one lives only five hours; mother and other baby "doing fine". Wilde starts construction of Texaco station. Muenster scouts send five boys to life saving course at

Lake Texoma. Clara Hundt and Francis Dieter marry at Lindsay. Anastasia Fuhrman and Joseph P. Klein of Kansas marry at Lindsay.

July 4 — Harvesting schedule returns to top speed as fair weather sets in. Mrs. Angie Moon, 77, Marysville pioneer, passes away. Allen Dale Eberhart breaks left arm in a fall from his bicycle. Joe Lutkenhaus sustains a broken foot when it is run over by a wagon wheel. RMW Auto Service Station is open for business. Scouts and their dads have outing at Lake Texoma. Herman Stoffels marries Alma Sandmann of Lindsay Monday.

July 11 — Threshers near end of harvest as dry weather continues. C.L. Williams Jr. and Mildred and Adeline Dieter of Lindsay receive minor injuries on July 4 when their car crashes into Kaiser-Frazer building. Extensions, grading and oiling are included in city street work. Jacob Pagel Sr. is a patient at M & S hospital in Gainesville. Henry Felderhoff has appendix removed. Jack Buffle breaks leg as lassoed bronc tumbles his mount. Sister Anselma is honored with family reunion to observe her silver anniversary.

Tuesday ceremony unites Joyce Tucker and Joe Tempel. July 18 — Jacob Pagel Sr., merchant here from 1908 to 1938 dies Sunday after extended illness. Jimmy's Service station reopens for business after being renewed and expanded. H and H Feed Store adds electrical department. VFW converts pool hall into club room. July 26 — H.G. Stelzer retires after 37 years as Muenster Katy (Continued on page 5)

Merry Christmas

Frank Dustin

School and Office Supplies  
Gainesville

Merry Christmas!



HAPPY

New Year

Lucy's Novelty Shop

Gainesville



The long awaited occasion is here and with it the opportunity of renewing friendships . . . of saying to our acquaintances that all our good wishes go to each of them and our heartfelt thanks for the patronage that we have had during the time we have served the people of this community.

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- ★ WISDOM FOR YOUR WORK
- ★ PROSPERITY IN YOUR UNDERTAKINGS

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NEWS REVIEW . . .

agent. 35 degree drop in temperature crowds long record for July low; thermometer readings vary from 65 to 68. Fourteen Scouts and Scoutmaster Nick Miller will attend week's encampment at Lake Texoma. Muenster and Bezner Chicks divide another pair to set series count at three each. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Flusche move to Lindsay. Mrs. Joe Luke is elected Catholic State League delegate to national convention in Chicago. Rev. J. Calvin Dennis leaves to accept pastorate in Dallas. Theresa Mae Pels is elected prefect of Young Ladies Sodality.

Aug. 1 — FMA plant produces over a million pounds of cheese in six months. GI class enrollment now totals 22. Fire caused by oil cook stove destroys home of Eddie Schmitt. Mower plant introduces its first product this week. Highway department ready to survey road and street job. Muenster loses game and series lead to Chicks. Rodeo changes date to Sunday night. Al Sohadi recovers from heart attack. Sunday rite unites Genevieve Bengfort of Lindsay and Sgt. Walter Huchtons.

Aug. 8 — Shower house, lights and field changes get under way for football boys. Gladys Wilde fractures right arm. Edward Starke sustained a double fracture of his left arm when he fell from a wagon. Wilmer Luke succeeds Lambert Bezner as president of Subiaco Alumni group. Tony Otto buys filling station from Ray Temple, who joins J.B. Wilde staff.

Aug. 15 — Firemen begin work on old GI pick-up to convert it into a city-rural fire truck. Women heavies and lightweights line up for softball benefit. Muenster swamps Bezner Chicks to tie series again. Weekend heat wave nears all time high; mercury goes to 109. Agnes Felderhoff is a patient in Oklahoma City hospital for treatment. Frances Ann Hennigan has her appendix removed. Clivet cat attacks Gene and Rodney Walter while they sleep in a pup tent. Albert Danglmayr and Betty Hartman marry Tuesday.

Aug. 22 — City buys steel water tank to double water storage and reduce fire hazard. Lightweight women beat heavies in



softball benefit game. Mrs. Herman Duesman, 63, former resident, dies in Pilot Point. Mrs. Fred Wagoner, formerly of Lindsay, dies in Dallas. R.P. Cain is new owner and manager of Humble station. C.J. Bernauer is ill. Jimmy Gehrig has operation for acute appendicitis. Muenster firemen beat St. Jo in donkey ball game there. Fat and lean men line up for benefit ball game. Chicks regain series lead. 140 children enroll Monday at Lindsay school. John Ezell family moves to Gainesville. Celia Walterscheid and Andrew Wimmer marry Thursday. Tuesday ceremony unites Helen Ruth Otto and Artie Arendt of Lindsay.

Aug. 29 — Agnes Felderhoff is seriously ill in Gainesville Sanitarium. 21st annual Cooke County Fair will open Monday.

from hospital, somewhat improved.

Sept. 12 — C.J. Bernauer, 62, dies of heart ailment. Death Friday halts apparent recovery of Henry Trachta, 66. Public school opens Monday with six teachers on staff. 518 children enroll at local schools on opening day. John Wimmer is ill at his home. Paul Hacker has operation for acute appendicitis. Owens adds grocery department to cafe. Frost and Wilde start drilling business. Dorothy Mae Yosten marries Curtis Holland in Fort Worth.

Evelyn Wiesman and Raymond Stewart of Galveston marry in Subiaco, Ark.

Sept. 10 — Muenster may get government aid on hospital program. James H. Cooke, 87, dies Friday after brief illness. Martin Klement marries Edna Haverkamp of Gainesville Tuesday. Book review features opening session of Garden Club season. Catholic Daughters sponsor mission sewing work.

Sept. 26 — New church project is revived with drive for funds;

estimated cost will be near quarter million. Hornets hold Saint Jo to 6 points in 1947 grid opener. Parched soil laps up slow 2-inch drizzle; could use more. Marie Trubenbach has appendix removed. Mrs. Herman Danglmayr is a patient at Saint Paul's hospital in Dallas. Mrs. Gus Sickling is a patient at Sherman hospital. Saint Charles church is dedicated Sunday at Gainesville. 150 parents report for first meeting in '47-48 P-TA program;

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With Best Wishes For  
A Merry Christmas  
And A Happy New Year

GILBERT ENDRES Earth Moving Contractor

MUESTER, TEXAS



TO EVERYONE

As we look back over the year just past we fully realize the factors that have combined to make possible such an enjoyable year. We can think of any number of instances where your friendship and your influence have been of tremendous benefit to this institution and it is with this thought in our hearts that we stop for a moment at this happy Yuletide to wish you all the joys of the season. We hope that your every Christmas wish will be granted, that this will be a most happy occasion for you and yours.

Kaiser Drug  
Muenster

Here's our greetings again, and we're including all the good things we can think of for you and yours. May it be a season of true happiness, a time in which you will see the full realization of your every dream and ambition.

The best of luck to you!



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NEWS REVIEW . . .

parents of seniors and 6th graders take lead in contest. Larry Yosten married Helen Arend of Lindsay Monday.

Oct. 3 — Biggest State Fair is all set to welcome two million visitors in Dallas. Valley View Eagles beat Hornets 32-6. Public school boys and girls resume 4-H work. John Furbach has minor operation at Gainesville Monday. Mrs. Fr. Seyler undergoes surgery in Fort Worth hospital. Mrs. Don C. Cooke is recovering from major surgery performed in Dallas. Eugenia Luke and C. J. Rucker marry in Fort Worth.

Oct. 10 — Agnes Felderhoff, 16, dies Oct. 3 after 9 months' illness. Hornets win easily 27 to 7 over Denison lads. Heart ailment is fatal to John Hoffman's aged mother in Rosanky. 1.55 inch rain welcome relief to community drought. Construction begins on combined shed and shop for school busses. J. W. Hess and daughter, Helen, have eye operations. P. J. Rollman returns after six weeks' stay in Vets hospital at McKinney. Get-Together

Club reelects Mrs. Jake Pagel president.

Oct. 17 — C. L. Williams is badly injured in car crash Saturday night. Knights observe Columbus day with religious and social ceremony. Hornets lose 25-7 to Marietta Indians. City asks for cooperation in annual clean-up. Buck Knabe is badly bruised in 15 foot fall from rafter at bus shed. Hot lunch program returns to Lindsay school.

Oct. 24 — Hornets swamped by Laneri, 32-0. Old landmark being torn down will furnish material for new home for Arnold Swirczynski. Parochial teachers attend meetings in San Antonio and Dallas. Mrs. Herman Fleitman has major operation at Gainesville. Mrs. Herman Dangelmayr continues as a patient in Dallas hospital. Fire snuffed early at Henry Luke feed store does very little damage. C. L. Williams is moved from Gainesville hospital to Vets hospital in McKinney. Freshmen take lead in P-TA contest; sixth and eighth graders tie for honors. Anna Marie Schilling and Anton Fleitman are married Monday.

Oct. 31 — George Dankesreiter,



HOLLYWOOD—"Coin machines have raised more money for the Damon Runyon Cancer Fund than all other American products!" This statement was made by Walter Winchell, newspaper columnist and radio commentator, second from left above, here to make a new Cancer Fund movie. The coin machine industry, representing hundreds of thousands of amusement machines, such as juke boxes, pin games and vending machines of all types, has already raised and turned over \$120,000 to cancer officials for research on finding the cure for cancer. Coin machine owners, recognizing the public service nature of their equipment, are donating a share of the proceeds of their machines to this cause which benefits all humanity. Peanut vendors, penny weighing scales, and a hundred odd types of very human coin-operated machines are fighting cancer in this way. Shown left to right above are Dave Gottlieb, president of Coin Machine Industries, Inc., Winchell, Herb Jones, vice president of Bally Mfg. Co., and Ray Maloney, chairman of the Coin Machine Industries campaign to raise funds for the Damon Runyon Cancer Fund.

# CHRISTMAS



. . . brings to each of us an appreciation of those fine friendships and memories which make life worth living. And so at this glad Holiday Season, we extend to you our cordial greetings and wish for you both health and happiness throughout all the coming year.



Pagel and Schniederjan  
Muenster

76, dies Thursday. Hornets beat St. Mary's Mustangs 20-0. Plan for building hospital is presented at group meeting. Health officer will conduct early study of hospital project. 2.5 inch rain is ideal as grain crop starter. Clem Reiter is honored on 25th wedding anniversary. John Voht heads county dairy improvement group as president.

Nov. 7 — Small fire fighter is now available for nearby rural calls. Hornets beat old grads 25-0 Joe Reiter, former resident, dies in Oklahoma. Parish is conducting clothes and food drive for needy Europeans. Hand extinguisher nips Halloween fire at C. J. Kaiser home. Overnight hike and field mass on scout weekend program. C. J. Wimmers are honored on 41st wedding anniversary. Mrs. August Walterscheid is Muenster Pioneer Queen; gets recognition over Gainesville radio station program.

Nov. 14 — Death claims Mrs. Sylvester Strenig, 48, at Temple. Mrs. J. W. Fletcher fractures hip while stepping out of car. Hornets scalp Sanger Indians 12-0.

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## My Neighbors

By BILL PAULSON



"If taxes don't quit takin' the profits out of our stocks, we'll soon be known as Bagholders instead of Stockholders!"



We wish you all the joys of the Christmas Season and sincerely hope that the coming months will bring you a large share of happiness and prosperity.

The management of this organization is joined by every employee in extending this Christmas Wish.

Irene's Cafe  
Gainesville



In this merry season there's a little wish we would like to add: May this be the happiest Christmas you ever had.

H. M. Schmitz  
Muenster, Texas

Christmas Greetings

Thanks for many pleasant relations during 1947 . . . May you have the best of everything in 1948

Dr. T. S. Myrick  
Muenster

WE'VE searched everywhere to find some new way of expressing our greetings to you. Each selection we made was discarded and each time we came back to the old reliable, "Merry Christmas". It just fits the occasion perfectly and we see no reason to change it or to use any other expression.

So when we say, "MERRY CHRISTMAS" please remember that it is expressed with all the sincerity and appreciation we can think of for your loyalty and consideration in the past.

A Merry Christmas

Teague Clothiers

111 N. Dixon

Gainesville

**NEWS REVIEW** . . .

Main street light burns again. St. Mary's Exes beat Muenster Grads 6-0. Scouts brave norther for field mass and overnight outing. Joe B. Walter lumber yard opens at Gainesville. Double wedding service unites Louise Hermes and Ed Schad and Elfrieda Hermes and Joe B. Hundt at Lindsay.

Nov. 21 — Local group attends soil conservation talk by Louis Bromfield in Wichita Falls. Catholic veterans seek to establish post here. Catholic Daughters admit 35 members at reception ceremony Sunday. Mrs. Herman Danglmayr is improving at Dallas hospital. Gas explosion blows section of wall out of Huchtons laundry at 3:30 a.m. Wednesday. Community women are sewing dozen shirts and skirts for

Red Cross. Leonard Bengfort of Lindsay wins trip to Chicago for 4-H achievement. Mum show features regular meeting of Garden Club.

Nov. 28 — Mrs. Gus Sicking, 59, dies in Sherman hospital following illness. Community is cautious and curious after jail birds' escape at Saint Jo Sunday. Rain soaked Hornets score 26-6 win over Bowie Bunnies. Mrs. Leo Zwinggi, 54, dies after one-day illness. Alumni association sets Dec. 29 for dinner-dance. Louise Felderhoff and Edward Knauf marry Tuesday. Public School P-TA sponsored mock wedding and male style show, combined with pie supper, is howling success. Mildred Wiesman and Henry Yosten marry Saturday. Mrs. Joe Luke has major operation at Sherman.

Dec. 5 — Survey this week to determine hospital's eligibility for



CHICAGO, ILL.—Chuckie Datz, 3, kisses pet duck a sad farewell as he leaves bird at 14-acre Olson Park, home of the Olson Rug Co. Chuckie raised the duck from an Easter gift duckling to a full grown bird, but because of approaching winter is forced to turn his pet over to the Walter Olson Bird Sanctuary in Olson Park, located in the heart of Chicago's Northwest industrial area, which is visited by upwards of one-half million people annually.

deral aid. The Gallahers are up and recovering after car crash on Nov. 23. National Scholastic press club admits six members of Mosaics staff. Hornets end season with crushing 39-13 win over St. Mary's. High school plans first aid classes. Georgia Ann Kathman marries William Insell of Gainesville at Dallas. Santa Claus calls on Muenster school children. Mrs. Charles Taylor and three children arrive in Manila; join Capt. Taylor.

Dec. 12 — Bank directors OK increase of certified surplus to \$35,000 and declare the customary five per cent dividend to stockholders. Number system of placing phone calls to be standard here soon. Muenster Scouts take two attendance prizes at Gainesville county round-up and pot-luck supper. Feed supplement is next product from FMA cheese plant. Muenster is well fixed for moisture after Saturday downpour; December rainfall

now stands at 3.82. Joe. Fisher has major operation in Dallas. French girl he met during war arrives to marry Deward Martin. J.P. Flusche and Tony Hoenig enter well service business. Melvin Herr is elected president of Altar Boys' society.

Dec. 19 — Masses at midnight and 5 a.m. head list of Christmas services. Burglars get tires, radios and car heaters at J. B. Wilde garage Monday night. Marty and Rody Klement will open new Texaco Station on Jan. 2. Garden Club elects Mrs. T. S. Myrick president for 1948. Parochial pupils appear in Christmas musicale Sunday. Infant son of J. P. Flusches has operation at Gainesville Sanitarium. Cecil Cain goes to Vets hospital in McKinney for two weeks' treatments. Mrs. M. H. Grammer has major operation in Wichita Falls.

A coordinator is a man who regimented confusion.



**Lone Star Cleaners**  
Gainesville



*Wishing You*

**A  
WONDERFUL  
CHRISTMAS**

*and All Happiness in  
the New Year*

*Phillips Service Station*

Wm. J. "Bill" Hess

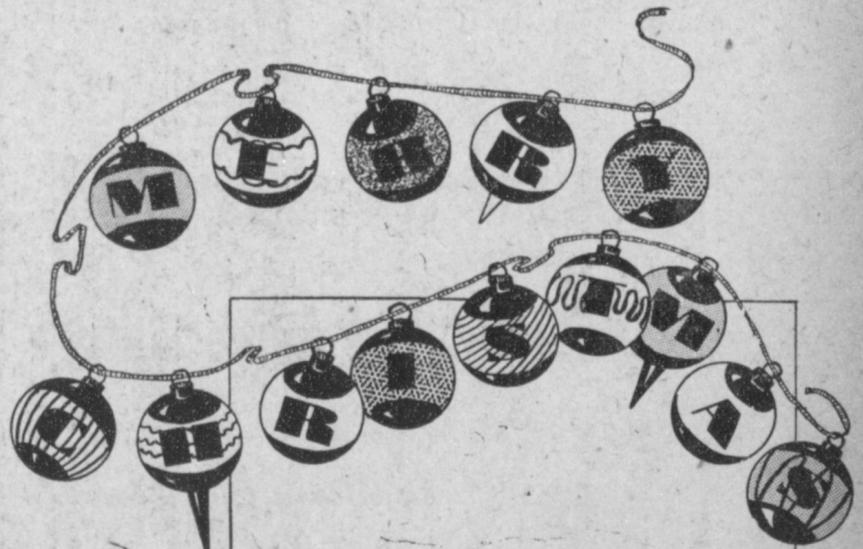
Muenster



**Joe B. Walter Lumber Co.**

On Highway 82

Gainesville



As we extend our good wishes to you for the Christmas Season, we are remembering all the nice things you have done for us in the past.

*Thanks a Million!*

**Muenster Livestock Auction Commission Co.**

Dick Cain and Babe Felker

"Trouble is a great sieve through which we sift our acquaintances; those who are too big to pass through, are our friends." Then there was the young man who couldn't eat, he couldn't sleep, he couldn't drink since he met "her." Trouble was he was broke.

# A Joyous Noel

We sincerely hope your Christmas will be filled to overflowing with happiness and good cheer and may the New Year be one of Health, and Prosperity



Lou Wolf  
Muenster



Ed's Automotive Shop  
Ed Pels Muenster



New Santa Claus—New Christmas tree lights

The brilliantly lighted Christmas tree as we know it today originated late in the 16th Century. According to legend, Martin Luther became entranced one night with a starry Christmas sky and returned home to set up for his children a tree illuminated with numerous candles to represent the star-brightened sky.

The first written reference to a Christmas tree is found in the works of an unknown writer of the early 17th Century who said: "At Christmas they set up fir-trees in the parlours of Strasbourg and hang thereon roses cut out of many-colored paper, apples, wafers, gold-foil, sweets, etc. . ."

But the relationship of light with the observance of Christmas goes all the way back to the birth of Christ when the brilliant Star of the East became the most universal symbol of the Nativity.

Even as the early converts gathered in the catacombs to observe Christmas during the dark days of the Church there were tiny oil burning lamps to brighten their somber surroundings. The interiors of the medieval cathedrals and churches always were banked with rows of flickering candles during the Christmas season, while later in English-speaking countries the dancing light of the Yule log burning in an open fireplace added cheer to the occasion.

This flickering motion of light, so long identified with the grave observance of early Christmases,

was lost completely around the turn of the 20th Century when the electric light replaced the unsafe, outmoded wax candle. But now the electric light itself has reverted to that dancing light effect through its newest development—the Bubble-Lite.

For the first time it is now possible to obtain all the brilliancy and eye-arresting motion that was lost when use of the candle was discontinued in Christmas tree decorating. The Bubble-Lite consists of an "action" candle-shaped three-inch glass tube set in a two-toned translucent plastic base, which in turn houses a low-wattage bulb. This small bulb serves to light up the ornamental plastic base, as well as to generate sufficient heat to whirl the gayly-colored fluid in the glass tube upward in a continually bubbling spiral, while sending rays of light colorfully dancing through the upper glass "candle."

### Everything?

Young man to spinster: "You look so cheerful and happy all the time! I always thought unmarried women were sour and grouchy all the time. Why are you so different?"

Spinster: "Well, I have a fireplace that smokes, a dog that barks, a parrot that swears and a cat that stays out all night. What do I need with a man?"

### FRICION, NOT WORK, IS THE CAUSE OF WEAR

All of us, at some time or another, have stood and marveled at the sight of a great engine in a pumping station, or a mighty dynamo in action. Day after day, year after year the machine runs stopping only for short periods at long intervals for minor adjustment.

Ask any engineer and he will tell you that it isn't the work that eventually puts any machine on the scrap heap, it's the friction. And isn't it about the same with the human engine? Hard work doesn't hurt it. It is the friction that wears; the petty jealousies, distrust of associates, envy of other's successes and the conflicts that result from faulty planning.

### I HAVE FOUND TODAY

... an excellent thought to close the year on. I've shut the door on yesterday, its sorrows and mistakes. I've locked within its gloomy walls past failures and heartaches. And now I throw away the key to seek another room, and furnish it with hope and smiles and every springtime bloom. No thought shall enter this abode that has a hint of pain, and every malice and distrust shall never therein reign: I've shut the door on yesterday and thrown the key away. Tomorrow holds no doubts for me since I have found today.

Some people are always grumbling because roses have thorns. I am thankful that thorns have roses.

### My Prayer

I know three things must always be  
To keep a nation strong and free:  
One is a heartstone bright and dear  
With busy, happy loved ones near.  
One is a ready heart and hand  
To love and serve and keep the land.  
One is a worn and beaten way  
To where the people go to pray.  
So long as these are kept alive  
Nation and people will survive.  
God, keep them always, everywhere,  
The hearth, the flag, the place of prayer.

The song "Yankee Doodle" was written by a British surgeon.



John Wieler, Agent  
Magnolia Petroleum Co.  
Muenster

## In Grateful Appreciation

For your many favors during the past year, we extend best wishes for a

Very Merry Christmas  
And  
Happy New Year

We earnestly hope the coming year will be the best you have ever had



J. B. Wilde

J.B., Ray, Jonsey, Ray  
Muenster



# A Friendly Word

This little gesture comes to you in true appreciation of the thoughtful treatment you have afforded us in the past year.

We are truly grateful and in the most friendly way we know, we extend the compliments of the season.

C. D. Shamburger Lumber Co.  
Muenster

### Modern Surgery Is Less Hazardous and More Versatile

The dangers of surgery are diminishing as the variety and magnitude of operations are increasing. There is practically no area left in the body which cannot be approached surgically with safety.

For example, tracts in the brain can be cut to improve greatly the condition of some persons previously confined in insane asylums. Defects in the skull resulting from accidents can be filled in completely and permanently with a metal or plastic that the tissues tolerate well. A new drug has made operations for goiter much safer and resulted in less reaction.

Today a lobe or a whole lung can be removed. An operation which requires cutting the nerve supply to the stomach is effective for stomach ulcers. Disease of the liver resulting in shutting off of its necessary circulation is being relieved by shunting the circulation to other vessels through metal tubes.

Modern surgery is only about 60 years old. This period represents almost all the advances in surgical knowledge. During almost every year it is found that some condition is amenable to an operation previously unknown.

Many persons formerly condemned to death, or to a life of permanent disability or discomfort, can now be returned to normal life.

Soft soap was used for cleaning by early Americans, same as it is now.



NEW YORK—First fashion show in the home furnishings field featured the fall meeting of the home furnishings division here. Carpet Institute, Inc. staged the show at a New York hotel. A collection of wool carpets and rugs, selected on the basis of style and color, covering a wide price range, was shown. Six attractive models, like the pretty miss above, paraded on the flood-lighted runway, carrying carpet samples mounted on frames, to the accompaniment of background music and a running commentary by Milo Boulton, master of ceremonies. Each sample was draped with a correlated swatch of drapery fabric.

in areas where contour farming means short turns and sharp curves.

Turner and Childers say equipment makers likewise are devising a wide range of specialty machines for jobs like terracing, posthole digging and silo unloading. There is a "flame" cultivator designed to burn out weeds instead of cut them down.

"Many other specialty items are coming," Turner says, "but what we are really headed for is a machine that will just have four wheels and a power plant. Farmers will mount all their special equipment on this basic piece as they need it. And most of it will be out in front of them where they can see what they're doing."

"It is a sin to believe evil of others, but it is seldom a mistake."

### \$10,000 A YEAR FOR READING TO SENATORS

Washington. — The Senate's new groaner will neither moan nor grumble.

Republican Senators finally agreed Wednesday on Edward E. Mansur Jr., 30 a Jefferson City, Mo., Republican and navy veteran, as reading clerk.

Mansur will replace John C. Crockett, 83, who read bills, amendments and the Senate roll like a motorcycle droning down a lonely highway.

GOP Caucus Chairman Eugene Milliken announced Mansur's election after an audition and said the fellow could read distinctly — and would — for \$10,000 a year.

New York is known as The Empire State.

## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

We realize more than ever how much it means to have the friendship and good will of folks like you.

Please accept our sincere thanks and our good wishes for a Prosperous NEW YEAR

Bohls Store

Gainesville



### Farm Machines Getting Faster, Simpler, More Efficient and Adaptable

Washington. — Farm machinery is getting faster, simpler to operate, more efficient and more adaptable to varied use on farms of all sizes.

Two Agriculture Department engineers, Louis E. Childers and Arthur W. Turner, see these definite trends:

**Tractors—**  
1. Smaller sizes, lighter weights and increased power in proportion to weight.

"This means mechanized operations are becoming possible on small farms and over rolling or rocky fields not suited to larger equipment," says Childers.

2. Increased equipment as plows and cultivators so that they become virtually part of the tractor.

**Auto-Style Precision.**  
3. Hydraulic controls that give the farmer finger-tip command of his machine and result in safer, speedier work.

4. Simpler attachments for those tools that cannot be mounted.

5. Redesigning of mounted tools and attachments to accommodate them to higher-paced operations.

6. Shields and other safety devices.

7. Automobile-style precision in farm power equipment.

"The days are gone when any old casting would do if a farmer's tractor broke down," Childers says.

**Combines and other multiple-use machines—**

1. Greater versatility that will permit combines to be used not only for harvesting small grains but for handling legumes and seed crops.

**Multiple-Purpose Machines.**

2. Development of other multiple-purpose machines in the forage crop field.

3. A tendency toward self-propelled equipment in which the power unit is tightly built into the machine.

"The one disadvantage in this feature is that a power unit is permanently tied to equipment that may be used not more than six or eight weeks in a season," Turner points out.

**Haying equipment—**

1. A hay chopper that also can pile hay in windrows.

2. A virtually automatic, one-man hay baler that picks hay up and bales it with wire or twine in either square or round bundles.

The engineers emphasize that these trends are extending the benefits of mechanization down to the smallest farms. Moreover, they say the switch to lighter, more compact machines is an aid to soil conservation practices



Season's Greetings To all our friends

Our very best wishes and sincere thanks to you for your appreciated patronage.

The Charm Shop

MUESTER, TEXAS

## GREETINGS

from US to YOU



Once more it is our pleasure to extend the compliments of the season and express our hope that the New Year will bring to you and yours the abundance of good things and good health you

richly deserve. And on this important occasion we wish to thank you most sincerely for your generous patronage the past year and we pledge a continuance of our established quality and service.

Prosperous



New Year

Waples Painter Lumber Co.

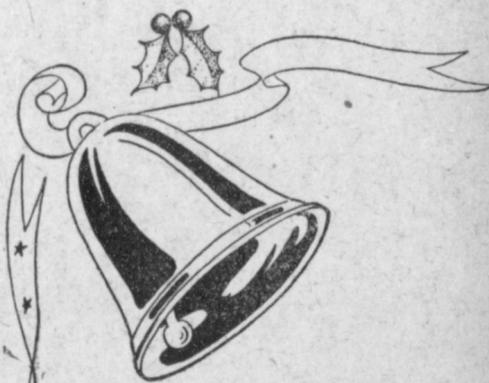
Muenster



HERE'S WISHING YOU AND YOURS EVERY HAPPINESS FOR CHRISTMAS AND THE COMING YEAR

Hennigan Motor Co.

Muenster



## A JOYOUS YULETIDE

As we express the Season's Greetings at this happy Christmastime, we pledge to strive to maintain this same spirit of thoughtful service throughout all the days of the coming year.

Our sincere thanks for your patronage, and our assurance that it is our purpose to merit its continuance.

Clayton Dry Goods Company

Gainesville

A  
MERRY  
CHRISTMAS



*to Our Many  
Friends*

With the passing of each year, it becomes more evident that the peace of Christmas is enjoyed only because there were those who made every sacrifice that we might enjoy Christmas to its fullest extent. As we extend our Season's Greeting we are mindful that without those sacrifices, we could not enjoy the blessings of peace.

If we strike a solemn note at this glad season of the year, it is only because we are remembering that there were those who gave their all to make it possible for Americans everywhere to observe and enjoy Christmas.

The peace of Christmas is sacred. May we never forget.

Best wishes for your health  
and happiness in 1948

*Your County Officials*

CARROLL F. SULLIVANT  
County Judge

CLIFF GARDNER  
State Representative

JOHN ATCHISON  
County Attorney

HUBERT H. MOSS  
County Superintendent

EARL ROBISON  
Commissioner Precinct 4

M.L. HELM  
County Tax Assessor-Collector

MARTIN DAVIS  
District Clerk

MRS. WILLIE MAE GRUNDY  
County Treasurer

EMORY HORN  
County Sheriff

TOM BLOUNT  
County Clerk

J.R. LITTLE  
Commissioner Precinct 3

**SWEDISH TRADITION HONORS ST. LUCY AS CHRISTMAS FAVORITE**

St. Lucy's Day, on December 3, inaugurates the Christmas season in Sweden.

On that day the prettiest girl in the household is chosen to impersonate Lucy; very early Christmas morning she will go through the house awakening the household and giving each person a cup of coffee or some sort of sweetened beverage. Her costume is traditionally a white dress with a red sash, and she wears a wire crown entwined with holly leaves and berries — similar to the American cranberry — studded with nine candles.

Liturgically, St. Lucy was martyred about 300 A. D. The story goes that Lucy gave her dowry to the Christians — whose courage she admired — instead of turning it over to her fiancé. The enraged young man informed against her and she was condemned to be burned at the stake; unharmed by the flames, she did not die until thrust through with a sword.

Lucy is commemorated somewhat diversely in Switzerland where she is the legendary wife of Father Christmas. Wearing a round cap over her long braids, a laced bodice and a silk apron, she marches around the village with Father Christmas and distributes gifts to the girls while he looks after the boys.

The Texas Safety Association warns motorists that every time you follow the car ahead too closely, every time you pass on a blind curve, every time you mash the accelerator to the floor, you're gambling a few seconds against the blood and agony and death of 100 persons slated for death during the Christmas holidays.

**GUESS WHAT HAPPENED SEPTEMBER 3-14, 1752 ABSOLUTELY NOTHING**

Great Britain and her colonies adopted the Gregorian calendar in 1752; the Julian calendar having become 11 days slow by that time, parliament ordered that the day following September 3, 1752, would be September 14, and that the legal year should begin on January 1.

The Gregorian calendar is, in effect, a revised edition of the old Roman calendar. The ancient Roman year began with the month of March and ended with December, the 10th month. January and February were added in the course of time and the celebration of New Year's on January 1 began in 452 B. C.

Continental Europe had universally adopted the Gregorian calendar by 1700 but Great Britain, frowning upon anything originating in Rome as Popish, continued the use of the old calendar — with its legal year beginning on March 25 — until the confusion arising from using a different calendar than the one used by continental Europe prompted the adoption of the Gregorian calendar in 1752.

**Citation by Publication THE STATE OF TEXAS**

To: William E. Turnbo Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable District Court of Cooke County at Gainesville, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 19th day of January A.D. 1948, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on



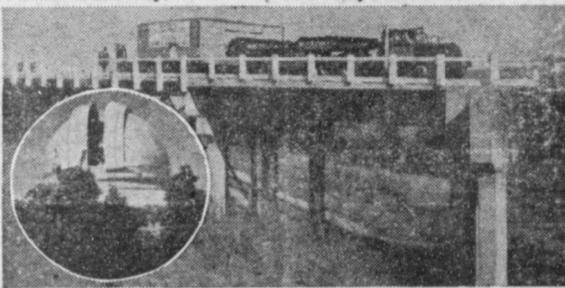
**THREE GENERATIONS** and Grandma is only 28. Mrs. Tillie Heredia, left, is shown with her daughter, 14-year-old Mrs. Alfonso Ortis and baby daughter Terry.



**PRINCE MAHMOUD**, youngest son of Ibn Saud, ruler of Saudi Arabia, arrives in New York from London. He came to this country for medical treatment and will remain indefinitely.



**AS CUTE A GAL** as ever breasted the seas is Penny Edwards, imported from Broadway to pep up the Hollywood scene.



**TRAILER CRADLES GIANT MIRROR.** The world's most fragile load, the 200-inch Palomar telescopic mirror, valued at \$600,000, is carefully transported by truck-trailer on a 160-mile trip from the California Institute of Technology to the Palomar Observatory atop Mt. Palomar (inset). The mirror was packed in a special shockproof case and loaded on a 16-wheel Fruehauf Trailer. Combined weight of the mirror, case, truck and trailer was 60 tons.

the 2nd day of December A.D. 1947, in this cause, numbered 15130 on the docket of said court and styled Bertha Turnbo vs. William E. Turnbo Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: A suit for divorce and for change of the name of plaintiff from Bertha Turnbo to Bertha Davis, plaintiff alleging that she and defendant were married on or about the 9th of May 1939, and lived together until about November 4, 1939; that soon after said marriage plaintiff learned that defendant had been guilty of criminal violations and had been in the Reformatory at times, and that he was a violator of the criminal laws, and he neglected and did not honor her as a wife, and abandoned her on or about November 4, 1939, more than three years ago, since which time they have not lived together as husband and wife, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said court, at office in Gainesville, Texas this the 2nd day of December A.D. 1947.

Attest: (SEAL) Martin G. Davis Clerk, District Court, Cooke Co., Texas (2-3-4-5)

The Hindus claim to have invented the violin bow.



May your Christmas be merry and bright

THANKS FOR EVERY CONSIDERATION DURING 1947

Frank 'Wimpy' Kathman Muenster



**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS**

Please accept our cordial wish for abundant prosperity and contentment to each of you. And may we say, "Thanks to all the good friends of this organization for enabling us to continue to be of service to you."

**Cain's Humble Station**  
R.P. Cain, Muenster

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS**

AMONG THE GOOD THINGS BESTOWED BY THE PASSING YEAR, OUR MOST VALUED ONE IS THE FRIENDSHIP AND GOOD WILL OF THOSE WE SERVE

IT IS A PRIVILEGE, AT THIS HAPPY SEASON, TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION AND TO WISH YOU ALL THE JOYS OF THE YULETIDE SEASON



McDaniel Garage Muenster



All Hearts Echo Christmas Gladness

Join your family and friends at Christmas services and let your voice sing out in praise of Him whose birth we mark each December 25th.

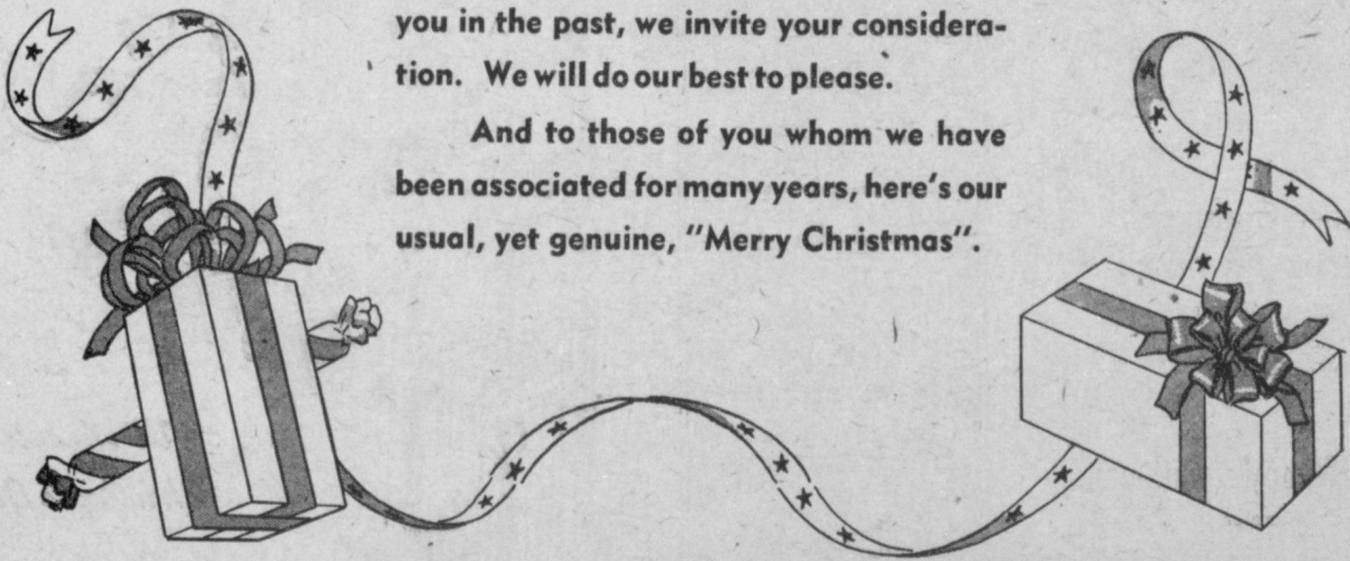
Best Wishes For A Merry Christmas

**Geo. J. Carroll and Son**  
Gainesville

*A Treasured*  
**A CUSTOM**  
**OF LONG STANDING**

It's been our happy privilege for a long, long time, to send our Christmas greetings each year to those of you whom we have had the pleasure of serving. We look forward each year to this occasion, principally because we learned long ago the value of loyal friendships. Each year we strive to add more friends to our list. If we have not had an opportunity to serve you in the past, we invite your consideration. We will do our best to please.

And to those of you whom we have been associated for many years, here's our usual, yet genuine, "Merry Christmas".



**MERRY**  
**CHRISTMAS**

*Rudy Hellman and Plant Employees*

*Andy Hofbauer and Store Employees*

**Farmers Marketing Association**