



Christmas Sent Underground For 34 Years by Puritan Ban

There was a time when Christmas went underground. People who advocated Christmas were in danger of arrest and imprisonment and it looked as though Christmas was on its way out.

It all happened around 1644 when the Puritans in England forbade any merriment or religious services, by act of parliament, on the ground that it was a heathen festival. What resulted was much grumbling, breaking of the law and a Christmas underground which wrote and distributed pamphlets in favor of Christmas.

In 1648, for instance, was published "Canterbury Christmas". This pamphlet gives an account of the subsequent proceedings after the Cryer of Canterbury had upon Wednesday, December 22, "openly proclaimed that Christmas day and all other superstitious festivals should be put down, and a market should be kept on Christmas day. Which being not observed, (but very ill taken by the country) the town was thereby unserved with provision and trading very much hindered; which occasioned great discontent among people, caused them to rise in a rebellious way."

Among the rarest of the pamphlets issued at that time is one entitled "The Examination and Tryal of Old Father Christmas." In this little volume, "one old Christmas was commanded to be brought to the Bar, then was a jury for Life and Death to be impaneled." The Judge was called Judge Hate-bate, the Sheriff's name was called Leonard Love-peace."

In the end Christmas is acquitted, but is cautioned by Judge Hate-bate, "for avoiding all such scandals as have been cast upon you for the future, do think fit to admonish you, that

you remember your Office is not so much to feast the Body, as to refresh the Soul, by thankful and pious Meditations."

Charles II re-established Christmas in 1678 and "Jolly Old Father Christmas" has never had to stand trial since.

3000 Bulbs Light World's Largest Christmas Tree

Three thousand multi-colored electric bulbs and tons of Spanish moss decorated the world's largest Christmas tree located in Hilton Municipal Park at Wilmington, North Carolina. The giant, 300-year-old water oak rises to a height of 275 feet and its branches spread 110 feet.

Its magnificence has been enhanced by a radio station constructed beneath the spreading limbs from which emanates Christmas music that reaches the crowds from loud speakers concealed in the branches and an apparent voice from the heavens that comes from a speaker mounted atop a nearby giant water tower.

Thronges of people gather around it each night during December to listen or join in the Christmas caroling. The tree won its title as the largest Christmas tree in a contest held several years ago.

SILENT NIGHT

The famous Christmas hymn, "Silent night, holy night", was written in Obendorf, one of Austria's loveliest villages, on Christmas Eve, 1818, by the local clergyman, who took the words to the home of the village organist the same night, where they were immediately set to the well-known tune.



A man in the right with God on his side is in the majority though he be alone.

Gratitude must be expressed in acts as well as words.

Better do a little well, than a great deal badly. — Socrates

Kindness is the oil that makes the world run smooth.

News Review Discloses Another Eventful Year In Community's History

In keeping with a custom of long standing the Enterprise again presents a brief review of the past year's happenings as the principal feature of its Christmas edition.

The year 1948 has been another eventful one in Muenster's history. New friends have joined us. Old friends have moved to other places. Some who started the year with us have gone to their reward. Some new buildings have gone up, others have been improved. In general, Muenster advanced a little farther in its career of progress.

Here is a list of brief notes on the outstanding news items of the year taken from this year's file of the Enterprise.

January 2, 1948—Joseph Raucher, 88, dies at Lindsay on Christmas eve. Bank is sponsor and co-sponsor in pasture contest for judging in February. Muenster Grads beat St. Mary's Grads in rowdy grid melee. Nobert Henscheid returns for Christmas visit after absence of 10 years. Class of 11 receives First Communion at Lindsay. Danny, 5-month-old son of the Werner Ciers is recovering from diphtheria.

Jan 9 — Mrs. Al Kuntz of Valley View dies of brain hemorrhage on New Year's Day. Construction begins on new building for Ben Seyler Motor Co. Muenster Mutual Fire Insurance association shows fewer losses and more members for past year. New year comes in wet and blustery. 150 attend annual SH Alumni dinner dance on Dec. 29. Parish mothers sponsor stork shower for European infants. Mrs. Joe Hoenig is elected president of Mothers Society. Growing brothers, Steve and Richard, are new operators of Phillips station replacing W. J. Hess. Henry Fleit-

man honored on 72nd birthday Sunday. Rites Tuesday unite Dorothy Eberhart and Ray Sickling. Robert Gruber is back at his duties after being confined to his home as the result of a fractured right ankle.

Jan 16 — Cheese volume at FMA plant reached new peak in 1947 with a total of 1,750,000 pounds as compared with 1,360,000 for the preceding year. CDA court adopts European family; to support it via CARE. Mrs. Mille Sapp, 85, of Marysville dies Sunday at Stanton. Joe Knabe is elected Muenster fire chief. Community donates 200 pounds clothing for European infants. Phone company puts in new switchboard, increasing capacity from 120 to 200 connections. Florene Arendt and Harold Nortman of Lindsay are named 4-H Gold Star girl and boy of Cooke county. Holy Name Society initiates 14 new members Tuesday. Jack Barnhart, new owner of hatchery, opens 1948 season. Bank stockholders re-elect directors at annual meeting. Arthur Felderhoff and

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Greetings

Once again it is Christmas... May it bring you peace, good health and happiness throughout the year.

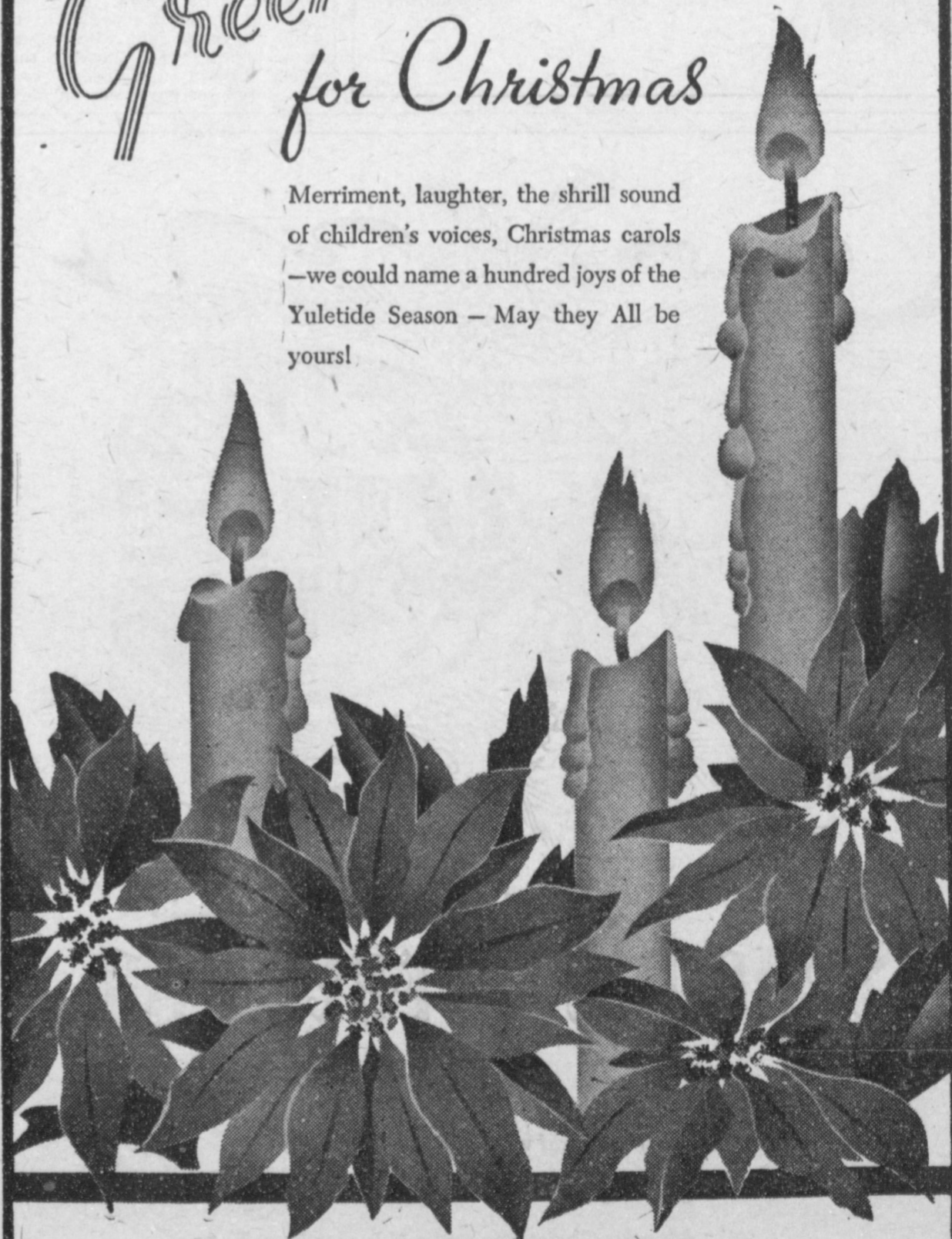
BEANS and FRANCIS

E.A. Schmitz Furniture

Wiese Jewelry

Greetings for Christmas

Merriment, laughter, the shrill sound of children's voices, Christmas carols — we could name a hundred joys of the Yuletide Season — May they All be yours!



Endres Motor Company

Muenster

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Ed Rohmer form partnership at Mill. Mrs. Herman Danglmayr, a hospital patient since September, undergoes thyroid operation in Dallas. Andy Hofbauer is named assistant scoutmaster. Leonard Schmitz marries Dallas girl Monday. Lindsay Mothers Society re-elects Mrs. Jake Bezner president.

Jan. 23 — Nick Stoffels Jr., 17, dies as the result of a car accident Sunday; his brother Meinrad Stoffels, and Harry Sicking escape with minor injuries. FMA plant to make stock-poultry feed from surplus whey; installation of new equipment is begun. Mrs. E. A. Thompson returns as teacher in public school; Miss Dolly Endres will complete college course. Joe Luttmner and Angeline Prescher marry at Scotland.

Jan. 30 — George Spaeth, 73, Lindsay resident half a century, passes after long illness. Community has record snowfall of four inches Saturday. 200 Knights of Columbus attend district initiation at Gainesville Sunday. Mrs. Herman Danglmayr, still a hospital patient, is making a normal recovery. Hornet field gets

Bermuda grass sod. Mrs. John Eberhart observes 75th birthday. Feb. 6 — County TB center announces free chest X-ray plan. Community's March of Dimes purse now contains \$150. Dixie Drug purchase by Dr. Myrick will be followed by clinic-store changes. E. P. Buckley's aged mother dies at Pawhuska, Okla. Scouts will conduct scrap paper drive. County poll tax payments increase 25 per cent. Cecilia Haverkamp and Troy Cooper of Corsicana marry here Wednesday. Lindsay sodality girls elect Rosalie Beyer president for new year.

Feb. 13 — Mrs. Henry Gieb, 68, of Lindsay dies suddenly of heart ailment on Feb. 5. Andrew Harrison is sworn in as city marshal and constable of precinct 8; starts campaign to improve driving and parking. Mrs. Nat Piott, 78, Myra pioneer, dies Feb. 3. Survey shows that Muenster added 52 homes and 19 other buildings during the past two years. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Magee of Lindsay observe their 50th wedding anniversary. Community donates \$182.95 in '48 March of Dimes campaign. Larry Hennigan fractures left arm. Mrs. J.B. Cason is recovering from major surgery. Parochial Juniors and



CHICAGO—Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright, national commander of the Disabled American Veterans, center, hands checks to James E. Nickerson, a former Army captain from Port Washington, N. Y., right, winner of \$33,000 first prize in \$50,000 DAV Service Foundation puzzle contest, and Mrs. Madge Howard of Indianapolis, Ind., left, winner of \$5,000 and a new automobile, as second place winner.

Seniors start First Aid classes. Joyce Rice and William J. Hess marry Tuesday. 150 persons attend annual Hornet banquet. Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Walterscheid celebrate silver wedding anniversary. Loreen Heitzman and Paul Neu of Lindsay marry Feb. 3.

Feb. 20 — Mrs. F.J. Brown, 47, of Gainesville passes after long illness. GI classes will learn about care of farm tools and equipment in new course; workshop is being installed at public school bus shed. Bee man wants to set out 1200 hives in Muenster clover. Wimpy Kathman and Charlie Morris buy Humble Station to replace R. P. Cain. Miss Marian Gremminger recovers from tonsillectomy. J. R. Hammer has appendicitis operation. Mrs. Teny Voth undergoes major surgery. Muenster Fourth Degree Knights sent 12 candidates to Fort Worth initiation.

Feb. 27 — City gets maximum fire insurance credit for third consecutive year. Poll tax payments show that Muenster increased its voting strength by about 35 per cent. Clarence Sutton, 42, of Myra passes after long illness. R. L. McNelley to organize and build electric system in Arizona. Ethel Trubenbach wins contest on Catholic Book Review sponsored by CDA. Rain adds another 1.5 inches of moisture to soaked community. County chest X-ray total reaches 2,627. Students enter annual soil conservation contest. Clarence Fleitman 2, returns home improving after treatment at Dallas for virus infection.

March 5 — Gunshot wounds received as he entered the wrong house in Gainesville are fatal to Ralph Richards, 48, who moved from this city to Gainesville this week. Highway engineers conduct survey of pavement on Main

to be included in farm-to-market road. George Swirczynski escapes injury as bridge folds under his loaded truck. Freddie Hennigan's bird house wins in boy scout contest. City council designates March 15-20 as annual Spring Clean-up Week. Two babies are born on Feb. 29: Carol Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Pels, and Jayn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Patrick. City retains \$1.50 tax rate for 1948. Cecil Cain is a patient at Veterans Hospital in McKinney. Family reunion honors Mr. and Mrs. John Hartman on 40th wedding anniversary. Lindsay farmers meet to coordinate conservation plans.

March 12 — C. M. Martin, Hays community pioneer dies Tuesday. 18 workers organize for community canvass in annual Red Cross drive. Ralph Richard's assailant under \$5,000 bond on murder charge is no-billed. Mrs. Herman Danglmayr returns from Dallas hospital where she was a patient six months, and continues improving. Garden Club joins statewide movement in Audubon program. John Wimmer has operation for goiter. Walter Eberhart is recovering from an eye

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Wishing You

A

WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS

and All Happiness in the New Year

Jimmy's Service Station

JIMMY MILTON DON

Season's Greetings
AND BEST WISHES FOR
THE COMING YEAR

Home Art Shop
Jake Horn Jr. Muenster

Season's Greetings

It is the "wealth" of good will, and the "strength" of good fellowship that make for a Merrier Christmas and a Happier New Year.

Fisher's Market and Grocery
Muenster

The Season's Greetings
and
all best wishes

To our many good friends and patrons, we extend our warmest greetings. May this Christmas be the best you have ever had—a forerunner of many happy days to come, of wonderful friendships and achievements well done . . .

Commerce Street Store
Pete Briscoe, Owner Geo. Ausmus, Mgr.
Gainesville

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operation. Andrew Hellman dies Thursday in Arizona. Mr. and Mrs. Al Wiesman leave for Chicago to attend REA convention. Parish collection of European relief totals \$811.76. Mosaics press club edits guest section of Sunday Visitor.

March 19 — Death on March 11 ends one year illness of John Wimmer, 70. Anton J. Noggler, 44, dies Saturday from shot from 12 gauge shotgun. W. J. Linnen dies Tuesday at Bowie. Community passes half-way mark in Red Cross drive with \$400 collected. E. P. Buckley undergoes operation at Gainesville. Mrs. Joe Luke submits to surgery in Sherman hospital. Ferd Luttmir is recovering from injuries received in oil field accident. John Wieler and Ben Seyler are only candidates on city's ticket for aldermen in election April 6. Mr. and Mrs. John Klement move into new home on Main street. New Yearbooks are presented at Garden Club meeting. Joe Bauer is again named president of West Elm Game Management.

March 26 — City proclamation asks observance of Good Friday. Marker erection at Fort Fitzhugh opens Cooke County Centennial celebration. John Mahan, founder of lumber company here in 1896, dies at Gainesville. Highway collision injures Roy Nunnley and demolishes his car. Saint Joseph Society elects R. R. Endres president for 1948. Alvina Derichsweiler has her tonsils removed. Joe Knabe enters race for city alderman. Bob Ryle, General Morris, C. M. Walterscheid and J. B. Klement are in race for two positions on local school board. Fifteen Boy Scouts make pilgrimage hike to Fort Fitzhugh. Sister Patricia, down with flu, misses St. Patrick's Day program in her honor.

April 2 — March goes out like a lamb after worst sandstorm since '38. Larger grandstand heads improvement list for ball park. Muenster's Red Cross purse totals \$558. Henry Sicking is quite ill at Gainesville sanitarium. Sharon Klement recovers from pneumonia. Patsy Lawson loses part of right index finger in an accident. Emmet Pette undergoes surgery in Gainesville hospital. Jewel Marie Hoffman is Muenster's duchess for Gainesville annual Circus round-up. Earl Lehnertz and Leona Berend marry at Gainesville. Easter holidays bring students home for visits with their families. Christine Sicking and Bernard Gieb marry here Tuesday. Gregory Hunt and Mary Hermes marry Tuesday at Lindsay. Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Moster announce the birth of twin sons.

April 9 — Heavy vote favors Klement and Walterscheid as school trustees. Cheese plant's next improvement is new whey condenser. Active election ends inactive city race; Seyler defeats Knabe; Wieler is unopposed. H. D. Fields, pioneer St. Jo banker and rancher, dies Friday. Betty Lue Buckley is elected president of Press Club and editor of Mosaics. Pupils give program to honor Father Herman on feastday. Red Cross fund rises to \$560. Mrs. J. B. Wilde is in St. Vincent's hospital for surgery. Mrs. Joe Swirczynski undergoes major surgery in Sherman. L. A. Bernauer is ill. Ethel Mae Knabe has her tonsils removed. Mrs. J. W. Fletcher makes first trip to town on crutches since breaking her hip last November. Wednesday rites unite Tony Mae Friske and Ray Lueb. Lindsay committee reports \$142.50 total in Red Cross drive. Lindsay students present class play "Lena Rivers". CDA court elects Mrs. J. M. Weinzapfel as delegate to Galveston convention.

April 16 — Fire Thursday afternoon destroys home and contents of Ben Lutkenhaus family. Softball players organize and elect Walter Becker manager. City traffic control method looks good to state patrolmen when they make inspection visit to Muenster. Miss Billie Wimmer had her tonsils removed Friday. Little Robert Hesse's eye trouble starts again. Johnny Wimmer withdraws from Rohmer-Miller-Wimmer partnership. Steve Moster is re-elected VFW commander. Red Cross purse jumps to \$577. Delbert Walterscheid wins Cub Scouts' model plane contest. Mrs. Jim Cook discusses "Trees" at Garden Club meet. Mrs. John P. Neu's 75th birthday is observed.

April 23 — Garden Club's float is awarded first prize in Round-up parade. Nick Weber, 87, dies at Gainesville. Effects of severe winter are still evident in local milk yield. Maxine Steinberger named "Miss Texas" by state photographers at Fort Worth convention. Miss Agnes Esker was quite ill this week. Joe Hess marries Beatrice Rauschuber in Valley View rites. Paul Arendt Jr. marries Mary Wolf at Gainesville. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Henschel observe 20th wedding anniversary.



The busy flight line of the Naval Air Station at Pensacola will roar into action shortly as Naval Aviation Cadets jump into their fast, sturdy SNJ trainers and taxi out for a practice hop. Pensacola Naval Air Station, the "Annapolis of the Air," is the focus of the recently reactivated Naval Aviation Cadet training program, which is open to healthy, single young men between 18 and 25, with at least two years of college. Upon graduation they are commissioned ensigns in the Naval Reserve, or second lieutenants in the Marine Corps Reserve, are awarded their wings and assigned to two years' active duty. (Official Navy Photograph)

April 30 — Special pow-wow on May 4 will boost formation of a civic welfare group for men. Henschel and Hesse buy Furbach site for future new H & H Feed Store. 150 bee hives are placed in local fields. Boy Scouts collect 300 pounds of scrap paper in campaign. Senior class clicks in presentation of class play, "Moonlight For Herbert". Shop instruction is added to GI vocational school. Ben Seyler has appendicitis operation. Anselma Pagel marries San Antonio soldier. Surprise program greets Sister Canesia on feastday.

May 7 — City and rural men organize group for community welfare. J. M. Weinzapfel receives plaque in recognition for outstanding help in soil conservation. Albert E. Hermann, Gainesville printer and publisher, dies. Mrs. Jake Pagel is in a cast, following injury resulting in a broken vertebra. Dick Cain purchases Felker's interest in Livestock Auction. Mosaics staff attends press meeting in Austin. VFW Auxiliary is organized Monday night. Jerry Henschel is winner in Cub Scout's achievement program for the month; he carved a model canoe from native bark. SH junior-senior banquet is event of Sunday night. Mr. and Mrs. John Eberhart are honored on 55th wedding anniversary. Breakfast compliments Lindsay altar boys. Fisher and Gobble form partnership to purchase Muenster Hatchery. Five S.H. students win in essay contest on soil conservation and attend Awards Dinner in Fort Worth; Regina Henschel is district second place winner, Gladys Sicking, fifth; and Emmett Walterscheid, Eva Marie Muller and Della Rose Herr among the next 20 winners.

May 14 — Fatima statue, on nationwide pilgrimage tour, will be in Muenster June 12-13; special services are planned. Local pavement job on Main in farm-to-market road program should be under contract by July 1, says engineer. 2.33 inches rain—this (Continued on Page 4)

CHRISTMAS WISHES

There's no time like Christmas
time to wish all of our friends—
Good Cheer, Good Health and
Peace.

Nick and Adelina
Muenster

Greetings

Best wishes for a very merry
and joyous Christmas and a
happy and prosperous New Year.

Harrison Bros. Texaco Station
Muenster

Greetings!

May gifts galore
grace your hearth,
may joy rule in all
your hearts!

Bargain
Furniture Co.
Gainesville

GREETINGS

May all the joys and pleasures of the Yuletide be yours this Christmas.

And may the New Year be one of abundant good health and good fortune.

Ray and Steve Humble Station
Muenster

Merry Christmas

May your Yuletide be gay,
Your family near,
May your table be laden with food.
May all our good wishes extended today
For happiness, health and good cheer
Bring you and your friends and those you
hold dear — a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

The Manhattan Clothiers
Leo M. Kuehn
Gainesville

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week was perfect for crops. Mrs. I. O. Gentry, 87, Linn pioneer, passes. State League holds district meeting at Pilot Point on May 6. Electric Co-op sets up separate service district in Nona with Charles E. Wimmer in charge. 4-year old son of George Hartman dies in Chicago. Mrs. Joe Horn returns home after being a patient at Gainesville sanitarium about 10 days. Alfred Bayer and Anna Marie Klement marry. Thelma Kathman and Dolly Lehnertz receive nursing diplomas in Fort Worth. 43 children are in solemn Communion class. Impressive ceremonies feature May Queen crownings here and at Lindsay

May 21 — North Texas' finest compete in annual horse show here Sunday; some 3,000 persons attend; Don Oro is grand champ. Community Council is picked as name for men's newly organized civic group. Rites and reception honor Mr. and Mrs. Barney Voth on 50th wedding anniversary. 34 lights, each 1500 watts, are being installed at local softball field. Mrs. J. M. Weinzapfel is re-elected grand regent of local CDA court. Rose Marie Walterscheid has appendicitis operation. Conservation movie features League-Garden Club meet. The Joe Bergmans are honored on 35th wedding anniversary. Betty Lou Bezner is valedictorian at Lindsay school. Music class directed by Sister Dolores, divides this year's recital in three programs: beginner, advanced and accordion students.

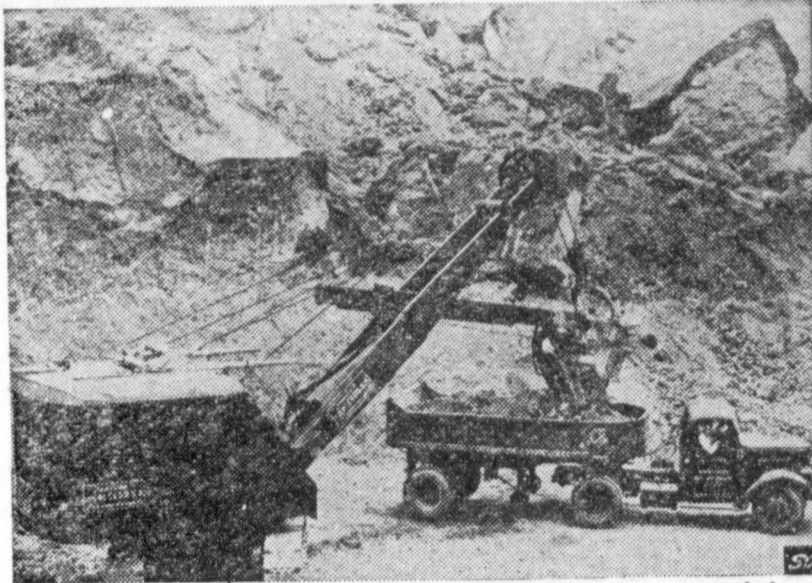
May 28 — Two inch soaker is helpful but farmers are becoming anxious about grain which is ready for the binder. Mike Fuhrmann of Lindsay delivers first wheat to local elevator; test of 63 and 64 is highest ever received here. Buddy Markham recovers from copperhead snake bite. Girls start softball practice. First grade pupils entertain P-TA with knock commencement. Parochial High annuals appear this week. August Walterscheids observe 25 wedding anniversary. High school seniors win P-TA loving cup; 6th and 8th grades tie for award. Juanita Weinzapfel receives music degree at Our Lady of the Lake college. Dolly Endres gets science degree at West Texas college. 11 high school and 16 grade stu-

dents graduate at Lindsay. Anastasia Tempel leaves for California. Mrs. Rudy Hellman elected to 4th term as P-TA president.

June 4 — Nineteen students graduate from Sacred Heart HI in exercises Sunday night; Rev. Peter Molloy is commencement speaker. H. H. Moss speaks at commencement at Public school when 3 high school students graduate; six grammar grade students receive diplomas Friday night. Injuries received in attack at service station in Albuquerque are fatal to Joe Hennian, 17. Rev. Fred Mosman celebrates first solemn mass at Lindsay Tuesday. 500 persons honor Muenster war dead at parish memorial services Sunday. Annual collection by Garden Club members nets \$161 for cemetery fund. FM road north is assured, but where and when are the big questions. Grain rush begins after a week's delay by rainy weather. Elaborate ceremonies await arrival of noted Fatima image. Vocational Bible school here at Baptist church has enrollment of 40. L. H. Baumhardt is elected grand knight of Muenster K of C council. Gene Lehnertz gets trial as shortstop on Gainesville team.

June 11 — Cris Buss, Lindsay pioneer, dies at Wichita Falls. Highway engineer picks old route for FM road. Electrical storm lights town during two hour light failure. Harvest continues at top speed after short stop for rain. Mary Faith Bernauer undergoes major surgery. Melvin Wilde has his tonsils removed. Earl Walterscheid sustains broken right foot in oil field accident. Gene Lehnertz' release by Owls is let-down to Muenster ball fans. Johann Seyler and Gladys Wilde receive BA degrees at Lubbock. Jake Horn buys shop department at Home Art Shop. VFW Auxiliary elects Mrs. David Trachta as president. Late donations boost cemetery collection to \$170. Norbert Hoedebeck and Marie Prescher marry. Hoedebeck families hold reunion on 48th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hoedebeck and Mr. Hoedebeck's 67th birthday. Emma Jo Eaves attends 4-H club girls encampment.

June 18 — Fatima pilgrimage centers here during noted statue's visit, hundreds of Catholics from North Texas visit here. All night devotions supplement day services. Sudden death from heart



An American-made power shovel loads a huge bite of earth in a Fruehauf dump trailer as work progresses on the Pan-American Highway stretching between Laredo, Texas and Panama. Many thousands of loads such as this must go into each mile of the slender highway ribbon that will eventually tie the commerce and customs of Latin America closer to those of the United States.

attack claims Gregor Stelzer. City's purchase of war surplus fence gets WAA approval. Jerry Fette sustains badly bruised hand in combine accident. J. M. Weinzapfel is re-elected to head local Fourth Degree knights. Herbert Miller is uninjured as "jack-knife" accident smashes Ed Rohmer's truck. The Leo Fetsch family moves here from Rhineland. The John Furbach family moves to Amarillo. Ewald Brend is re-elected Gainesville grand knight.

June 25 — Stroke is fatal to Mrs. Mary Schad, 68, Lindsay pioneer. Garage and new car destroyed in fire at Al Trubenbach home. 1.63 inch rain brings relief from dust. County dairy group holds state record for high production. C. J. Hellman has appendicitis operation. Billy Ben Boyles has tonsillectomy. Electric organ replaces old pipe organ in church. Junior Hammer enlists in the Navy. Rev. Thomas Weinz-

apfel is transferred from Dallas to serve as pastor at Vallay View. July 2 — Muenster Bank completes 25 years of community service. Grain suffers but other crops thrive on rain during the week. Edward Helton succeeds Robert Mitchell in local soil work unit. Lawrence Moser breaks right arm in oil field mishap. Mrs. Carl Gimple is quite ill. Six Muenster horses win at Gainesville/show. Review board sees 11 scouts pass advancement tests. Mrs. Kate Bergman has major operation.

July 9 — 42 foot extension to be built on east side of parish hall, will serve as temporary church while new church is being built. Unthreshed grain suffers from rain. Mary Seyler marries Darrel Adams at Lubbock. July 16 — Sgt. Randolph Gruber, Lindsay's first victim in world war II, is re-buried in rites with military honors Saturday.

FM radio system streamlines REA Co-op's line repair service. Weekend rainfall raises June and July total to 10 inches. Death claims Father Benedict, brother of Mrs. Frances Binz. Building activity resumes as harvest rush season passes. Ann Herr has her appen-

dix removed. Mrs. Jerome Pagel submits to major operation. Ann Arendt and Albert Herr marry Wednesday at Lindsay. July 23 — Public school adds another teacher and another classroom. Weimar convention (Continued on Page 5)

Wishing you all the things that hold a true meaning of Christmas . . . friends, contentment, peace of mind. May the spirit of Christmas dwell in your home and throughout the coming year

THE FASHION SHOP
Gainesville

MERRY CHRISTMAS



HAPPY NEW YEAR

A SINCERE GREETING TO OUR MANY FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS.



Gilbert Endres
Muenster

"O, come all ye faithful.."

As the glad notes ring out, and the young voices of the choristers blend in joyous unison, we extend our heartfelt greetings for the Yuletide. May the spirit of Christmas bless you throughout the New Year!

Joe B. Walter Lumber Co.
Gainesville

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hears Louis Budenz expose red menace. Equalization board ups valuations on city's tax records. Kenneth Klement has his tonsils removed. Smyrel Owens is enlarging his grocery store and meat market. Margaret Gruber of Lindsay goes to Washington, D.C., to be employed.

July 30 — Reinterments held this week for two of Muenster war dead: Pfc. Harold J. Pembroke, at Saint Jo; Cpl. Cecil Cole at Gainesville. VFW Post organizes team to participate in military burials. Mrs. Theo Wiesman fractures leg in fall. Al Walter fractures his left wrist. Charlene Hellman has her tonsils removed. E. R. Freshman comes to Muenster as new foreman of Phillips lease. Albert Hoelker, Lindsay, marries Pauline Warnick of Gainesville. Muenster casts record vote in Democratic primary election.

August 6 — Mrs. Theo Wiesman dies from ailments following leg fracture. 17 weary boy scouts return from outing at Possum Kingdom. 3,000 persons attend Gainesville C of C party for county oil field men. Bryant Blaylock is guest speaker at FMA annual meeting. Charles Cler home is saved Saturday by city's rural fire truck. War surplus fence arrives this week for city. Mrs. Lena Bernauer returns from Gainesville hospital where

she was a patient five days. Della Rose Endres and T. J. Gorman of Illinois marry here Monday. Kenneth Wiesman and Reynold Reiter enlist in army air corps.

Aug. 13 — A. H. Richter of Ft. Worth dies suddenly of heart attack. Toby Wiese, formerly of Lindsay passes after long illness in Flint, Mich. Burglars break into H & H Oil Co. and J. B. Wilde garage but take little of value. Stainless steel whey condenser will be installed at FMA plant next week. Paul Fisher and John Knabe herds lead latest summary on state dairy association. Lindsay summer school to open Monday. Walter Richter undergoes appendicitis operation at Gainesville. Walter Klement loses part of right finger in hay bailer accident. Uneida Dieter, formerly of Lindsay marries in California. H. J. Zimmer family of Lindsay has first reunion since 1941.

Aug. 20 — Sgt. Lawrence Felderhoff, this community's first war casualty returned for burial, is reburied with military honors Wednesday. September 7 set as opening date for local schools. Dr. Myrick and Mary Faith Bernauer take prizes on their entries at Nocona horse show. Frank Stoffels and Rose Fuhrmann marry at Lindsay. Marion Hott and Nelda Duncan marry at Saint Jo. Lillian Wimmer and Ray Otto exchange marriage vows here Tuesday. Bernadine Sicking marries Leo Mosman of Gainesville here Wednesday. 130 children re-



CHICAGO, ILL.—That the girls are holding their own at the 27th National 4-H Club Congress is evidenced by these four national winners in the National 4-H Poultry Contest. Administered by the Extension Service of State Agricultural Colleges and the U. S. Department of Agriculture, the 4-H Club poultry program is designed to develop skill in poultry raising and egg production and knowledge of the best methods in grading and marketing. Awards of a \$200 scholarship and an all-expense trip to the Congress were given to each of ten national winners by Dearborn Motors Corporation, Detroit. Shown above with David Meeker, Director of Education at Dearborn Motors, the girls are, left to right: Margaret Sandhouse, 17, of Fort Collins, Colorado; Madalyn Palensky, 18, Crete, North Dakota; Ruth Kimzey, 14, Torrington, Wyoming and Alice Roberts, 15, Lecompte, Louisiana.

port for summer classes at Lindsay school. The Paul Hellingers move from Muenster to Lindsay.

Aug. 27 — Joe Cochran, formerly of Marysville, dies in Fort Worth. Draft headquarters announce official registration dates. County Fair grounds get final touch-up for Centennial Fair. Sister Anastasia transfers to Rhineland after teaching here 40 years. Ray Swirczynski and Steve Fette are new owners of the Humble station replacing Wimpy Kathman and Charlie Morris. Mrs. Mary Mosman, Lindsay pioneer, is still active on 92nd birthday. Terese Walter and Billy Joe Miller marry Monday. John Eberhart observes his 81st birthday. Norman Luke receives bachelor degree in business administration at Denton commencement. The Al Moosbergers return to Lindsay after spending six months in Austin. Richard Arend of Lindsay goes to Saudi, Arabia, with an oil company.

Sept. 3 — Barney Voth, community pioneer and leader, dies suddenly Tuesday morning. Fence enclosing two city water units nears completion. Quality of product from new whey condenser is tops. Ben Seyler Garage has formal opening with more than 600 visitors attending open house program. 125 register here Tuesday for NCCW quarterly meeting. Herbert Fette, Gene Mosser, Leon Krebs, enlist in U.S. Army. Cecil Aytes loses car and building in fire Thursday night. J. S. Horn,

82, submits to operation. Kay Aytes fractures her right arm. Rodney Walter, Della Rose Felderhoff, Bobby Walterscheid and Herbert Knabe have their tonsils removed. Gretchen Hellman breaks her left arm. Nineteen local boy scouts get badges at court of honor. 117 young men of county report for registration Monday. William Fuhrmann delivers Lindsay's first bale of cotton for the season.

Sept. 10 — Rev. Bernard Zell, former local pastor, dies at Subiaco. Injuries received in army training are fatal to Steve Markham. Enrollment of 531 children sets new record at two local schools. Robert Hesse undergoes operation for removal of infected right eye. Charm shop re-opens after remodeling and enlarging program. Remodeling at parish hall delays opening of school lunch program. Dickie Schoech undergoes major surgery in Dallas hospital. Present schedule shows nine games for Hornets. Jacob Pagel is elected president of CK of A at state convention.

Sept. 17 — Steve Markham, 17, buried here Monday with military honors. Geraldine Neathery

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Season's Greetings
May this be your happiest Christmas of them all... and the New Year be the most prosperous, our Yuletide wish for each of our friends.

Geo. Gehrig Hdwe.
Muenster

HAPPY
NEW
YEAR

Greetings for this Happy Season

... and may its spirit of love and of giving unfold you throughout the New Year.

Johnie Wilson
Gainesville

SEASON'S GREETINGS

The shining star of Bethlehem is symbolic of the joy in our hearts which we want to share with all our friends when we say "Merry Christmas".

THE SHANTY
Muenster

Best Wishes for a Joyous Holiday Season!

"God Bless Us Every One"

May the coming year bestow upon you health, happiness and friendship... the most important possessions in life.

Many thanks for your valued patronage in the past year. May we have the pleasure of serving you again in 1949.

Muenster Machine Shop and Supply Co.
LOUIS LEFTY JEROME BUSTER

Christmas Greetings

---and our sincere thanks for your fine patronage during the past year. We look forward to serving you in 1949.

Teague's Clothiers

News Review--

Garret, former resident, and aged mother die in ambulance crash. Harrison Brothers announce purchase of Texaco Station from Klement Brothers. S. H. Alumni association elects Mrs. Lou Wolf president. Frank "Wimpy" Kathman quits bread route to join F. E. Schmitz motor company. Larry Hofbauer has his appendix removed. League-Garden Club reorganizes after summer recess. Mr. and Mrs. Al Walter observe 20th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Artie Arendt move to Muenster from Lindsay.

Sept. 24 — Parish starts drive for new church and other improvements. Football trophies will be given to two outstanding Hornets at annual banquet through courtesy of the Charm Shop. Parochial High press club organizes for work on Mosaics. Joe Walter is elected president of North Texas Subiaco Alumni. Andy Harrison has appendicitis operation. Mrs. Ed Eberhart is ill in Gainesville sanitarium. Frankie Jo Wimmer recovers from illness. New Katy schedule becomes effective here. Laurie Wilde's engagement to James Bezner is announced with wedding date set for February. Gun Club sponsors shooting contest as new church benefit. Johnny Schmitt of Lindsay joins the Merchant Marines.

Oct. 1 — President Truman's

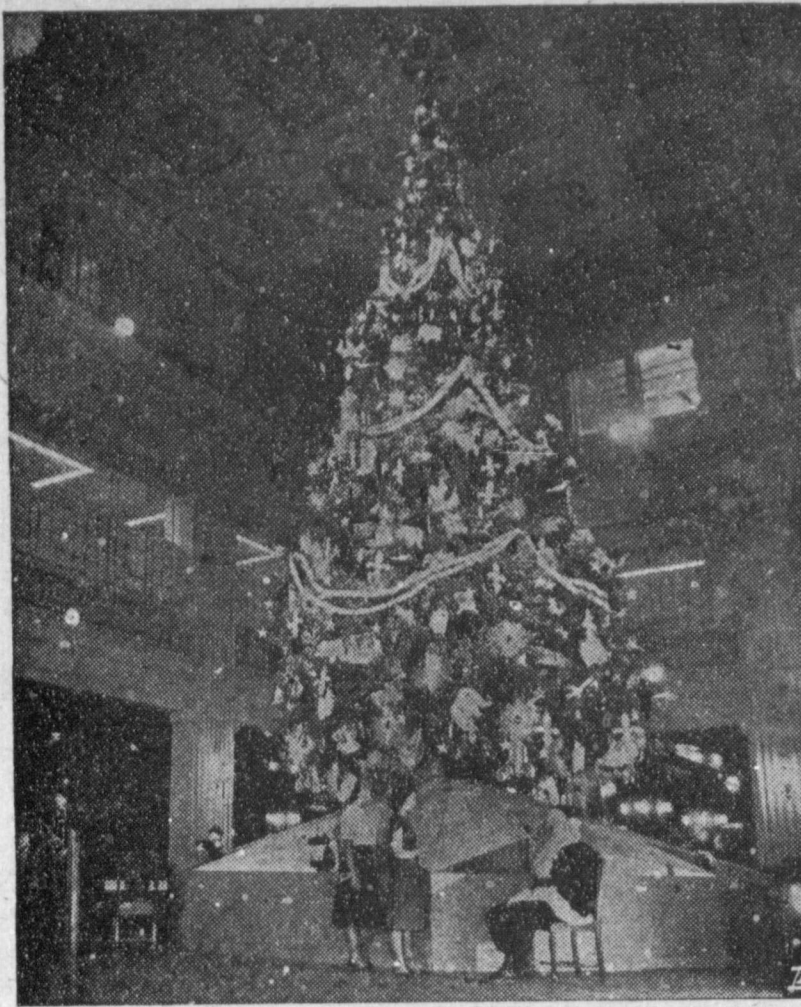
visit to Gainesville draws hundreds from here; approximately 10,000 gather to hear and see Harry. Hornets open season with 18-0 win over St. Mary's. P-TA resumes lunch program next Monday in temporary kitchen. Roy Baumhardt breaks right arm playing football. August Walterscheid is recovering from an illness. Mrs. Emil Herr of Hereford has major operation. Don Oro wins at Abilene horse show. Edna Hartman and Thomas Gremminger marry. Isabell Eberhart and Julius Stelzer exchange marriage vows. T. J. Hoffman marries Wichita Falls girl. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fisher Sr. recently married couple, are honored at a reception. Lindsay boys take all honors in 4-H county pig contest.

Oct. 8 — Hornets lose in tough game with St. Xavier team. T-5 Michael Kupper is re-buried with military rites at Lindsay. E. L. McNeley resigns to become manager of Arizona REA cooperative. Thirteen Katy oil cars crash and burn at Lindsay Monday. Co-operative hospital venture ends with 100 per cent refund to all members. Francis Wiese opens jewelry store here. Beans Schmitz changes furniture store location. Electric Co-op names J.C. O'Brien president and J. A. Klement director. Highway department advertises for bids on Muenster FM road. Dan Owen breaks his right arm. Mrs. John Rohmer is recovering from surgery. Florence Haverkamp and Richard Schumacher marry. Mrs. Maggie Cain and J. S. Bagwell marry at Myra. K-C council approves renovation program for hall basement. VFW Post occupies new home — former John Kathman home.

Oct. 15 — Robert Hesse, 4 1/2, dies after 4 year fight with fatal disease. Sunday's 1.11 inch rain breaks three months' drought. Mack Reed, 63, Myra pioneer dies of heart ailment. Saint Jo Panthers romp over Hornets for 19-0 victory. Endres motor company expands parts department. Mrs. J. P. Fisch, 87, falls and breaks her hip. Margie Walterscheid has operation for ruptured appendix. Mrs. Jake Pagel is re-elected president of Get-Together Club. Harold Nortman, Michael Neu and Willard Kuhn win prizes in Dallas pig show.

Oct. 22 — Hornets romp over Leopard Reserves for 21-0 victory. Hornets drop 12-6 contest to Laneri Micks. State League holds district meeting at Lindsay. Dolphy Scott, 55, of Sivelis Bend dies. Mrs. J. P. Fisch goes to Fort Worth hospital. Parochial pupils and teachers attend Dallas conference. New Methodist church is dedicated at Myra. Muenster gets first freeze Oct. 18. Floyd Lehnertz breaks right arm in fall at skating rink. Earl Koelzer and Beatrice Fuhrmann marry. Boy scouts treat Community Council to wiener roast. Local boys and girls at State Fair for 4-H program.

Oct. 29 — Geyser results as gas pressure hits Trinity water sand



CHICAGO—Mildred Candy (left) 16, Church Hill, Md., and Phyllis Dangler (right) 15, Seward, Alaska, in Chicago to attend the 27th annual 4-H Club Congress, visit Marshall Field & Company's store to see the gigantic Christmas tree, 45 feet high, in the store's Walnut Tearoom. Sixteen persons, standing on scaffolding, spent 10 hours trimming the tree. More than 1,000 ornaments, designed and built to scale in the store's display department, decorate it. More than 1,000 man hours were spent in making the ornaments.

on Buddy Reiter farm. 22 candidates join Catholic Daughters in reception ceremonies here Sunday. School bus drivers attend safety session. H. H. Moss addresses SH Parent-Teachers Association. Three more games added to Hornet schedule. Mrs. T. P. Frost is appointed county health nurse. Mrs. J. P. Fisch returns from hospital after having broken hip set. Arthur Felderhoff and Evelyn Spaeth marry. 89-year-old mother of Mrs. Don Cooke dies.

Nov. 5 — President Truman wins sweeping victory in Tuesday election. Hornets defeat St. Xavier Warriors 2-0. Playful pranksters raise lots of rumpus

on Halloween. Health Department says city water is OK. Leo Lawson has major operation. Gertrude Esker sustains fractured ribs in fall. Leo Haverkamp in Dallas hospital for eye treatment. John Knabe and Paul Fisher's cows top production record of county dairy association. Hornets trample Alvord Hi 37-7. Mary Krahl and Emmet Sicking marry. Athletic committee's box supper is outstanding success. Clara Stoffels and Erwin Fuhrmann marry at Lindsay. Cooper and Woodruff, Dallas contracting firm gets job for local FM road.

Nov. 12 — Street and road pavement project begins this

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Greetings

To all whose friendship we cherish so much . . .
A Merry Christmas
A Happy New Year

Lucy's Novelty Shop
Gainesville

Merry Christmas

May the joy and peace of Christmas be with you through the New Year.

IRENE'S CAFE
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Dentist
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Phone 1537 Gainesville

DR. A. A. DAVENPORT
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On Highways 77 and 82
Plenty of Fried Chicken
OPEN 24 HOURS A DAY
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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

John Wieler
Paul Walterscheid
Muenster

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

One of the real pleasures of Christmas is the genuine joy of wishing happiness and good health to our many friends.

Clayton Dry Goods Co.
Gainesville

News Review--

week. Road contractors offer to handle street paving jobs. Reburial service for Sgt. Leo Zipper held at Pilot Point. Tanner Furniture sustains big loss in warehouse fire. Gainesville Junior Highriders beat Hornet juniors 39-6. Phone and REA lines and fences to be moved to widen right-of-way. Bernice Luttmner receives minor injuries in car accident. Woodrow Clegg succeeds Martin Davis as district clerk Al Schad is ill with a heart ailment. Al Wiesman has appendix removed. Mary Wiesman sustains back and ankle fractures in car wreck, is convalescing at the home of her sister, Mrs. Al Fleitman. Jewel Hoffman becomes bride of Earle Otto. Little Hornets beat Little Panthers 14-7. Fire destroys Andrew Hacker barn. Annual pilgrimage and flower exhibit feature Garden Club meet.

Nov. 19 — First stage of Main Street paving project nears completion. Fire near Red River razes 2500 acres pasture and forest. Hornets tie with Valley View

Eagles 6-6, lose to Leopard reserves 20-6. Bernice Reiter reigns as queen of colorful football homecoming events. Roberg Brothers, Jerome Pagel and Rody Klement reopen old lumber company at Saint Jo. Holy Name Society elects Arthur Bayer president. Ben Sicking has major operation. Frances Streng undergoes tonsil operation. Jo Burchfiel breaks left leg. Miriam Koessler marries Sherman man here. Marie Schmidkofer and Joseph Fuhrmann marry at Lindsay.

Nov. 26 — Residential street paving project originates at community meeting. Mower plant under new name and owner, resumes operation. Albert Schrempp passes in Topeka. Mrs. Ervin Hamric named to head drive for CROP donations. Hornets beat Gunter 6-0. Sister Theresina addresses P-TA. Hornets and Alvord huskies battle to scoreless deadlock. Public School P-TA elects Mrs. R. P. Cain president. Ray Voth marries Lucille Arendt. Lawrence Sicking and Marcella Beznar marry. Annual infant shower collects 450 pieces of clothing for Europe's babies. Louis Schniederjan, St. Mary's 4-



Engine "revved up" for take-off, a Naval Aviation Cadet aboard the practice carrier USS Wright at Pensacola Naval Air Station gets the go-ahead signal from the flight dispatcher of an air group. Pensacola Naval Air Station, the "Annapolis of the Air," is the focus of the recently reactivated Naval Aviation Cadet training program, which is open to healthy, single young men between 18 and 25, with at least two years of college. Upon graduation they are commissioned ensigns in the Naval Reserve, or second lieutenants in the Marine Corps Reserve, are awarded their wings and assigned to two years' active duty. (Official Navy Photograph)

SEASON'S
GREETINGS

FRANK DUSTIN
Gainesville

Season's Greetings

We wish all our many friends
the abundant happiness of a
wonderful Christmas and
New Year.

Dixie Drug
Muenster

H Club, wins state-wide tractor maintenance contest. Hubert Beznar, Tech student, mentioned in college Who's Who. Rita Block, Lindsay, is County 4-H Gold Star girl.

Dec. 3 — Bishop Lynch dedicates new St. Mary's school at Gainesville. Death of Walter Richter Sunday ends one year siege of fatal illness. J. A. Cole, community pioneer, dies. FM road south of Muenster gets OK from highway department. Hornets tie with Mustangs on Thanksgiving day. Parish members elect new church committee. Edward McKinney begins as manager of REA Co-op. Alumni sets Dec. 27 for annual dinner-dance. 15 local ladies represent Muenster at Gainesville NCCW session. Tillie Fuhrmann weds Wichita Falls man. Discussion clubs organize at Lindsay.

Dec. 10 — Vote on pavement proposal to be held Dec. 18. Telephone company elects new directors, raises rates, approves rebuilding entire system. Garden Club honors Muenster war dead on memorial plaque; it is received this week. Parish donates \$394 to St. Joseph's Orphanage at Dallas. Carra Pagel quits store business, sells to Smyrel Owens. Harry Fisher is second place winner in county conservation contest. Gerald Bayer sustains broken foot in truck accident. John Fette is recovering from eye operation in Dallas. Gerald Bindel has his tonsils removed. 53 parochial children in first communion class. Old landmark, former Hoenig store, being cleared away.

Dec. 17 — Muenster citizens

like the pavement but not the price; will vote on issue Saturday. Carl Manke dies at Comfort, Texas. K of C members have communion breakfast program. .28 inch drizzle breaks the monotony but not the drought. Balance of curbs on Main street must be three feet wide, says highway department. Al Fleitman, Al Hess and J. A. Klement continue as AAA committee. Muenster boys win attendance prize at county scout party. Veterans service officer will be here each Tuesday to assist veterans. Christmas parties hold social spotlight.

SPECIAL DELIVERY

YPSILANTI, Mich.— Nurse Dorothy Heath was startled early Tuesday when a young man approached her in a corridor of Beyer Memorial Hospital and quietly told her: "I've got a basket full of babies."

She lifted the cover and saw triplets, two boys and a girl.

Charles Logan of Wayne, Mich., a cement worker, said his wife, Elizabeth, gave birth to the children in their home about an hour earlier.

He bundled the babies into the basket and his wife into the car and headed for the hospital.

Mother, babies and nurse all were reported doing well.

Christmas
Greetings

T. C. Schneider, Agent
Humble Oil & Refining Co. Gainesville

Merry
Christmas

And best wishes for a
prosperous New Year

Ben Seyler & Employes
Muenster

Merry
CHRISTMAS

May there be a song in your heart
all through a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year

Community Lumber Co.
Saint Jo

Tornadoes Are Freakish, Destructive and Deadly

By Norman Carlisle

On a September afternoon in 1912, the U.H. Wendell family of Syracuse, N. Y., was going calmly about its business when a tornado struck the house with breathtaking swiftness. The whirling monster snatched the home from its foundations, flipped it upside down, then set it back in place, roof downward. The stunned Wendell family, not much the worse for wear, found themselves sitting on the ceiling.

The strange experience of the Wendells is only one of the

countless thousands of equally curious happenings which have befallen victims of nature's most violent and capricious storm the tornado. Every year, anywhere from 100 to 145 tornadoes do an appalling amount of damage in the United States.

Sometimes tornadoes team up to carry out their work of destruction. In October 1938, three tornadoes roared into Charleston, S. C. Neatly they divided up the town, one tornado tackling the main part while two attacked the outskirts. They killed 31 people and did \$2,500,000 damage in a few minutes of frenzied activity.

What is believed to be an all-time record destruction dates back to a terrible day in February 1884, when some 60 tornadoes made a mass attack from Illinois to the Gulf of Mexico. Before the day was over they had destroyed 10,000 homes and killed 800 people.

From a distance the tornado has been described as rope-like—or as resembling a huge elephant trunk. It has even been mistaken for train smoke. It sounds a good deal more frightening than its appearance, and is likened to the thundering of locomotives crossing an iron bridge. An excellent eyewitness account is that of Will Keller, Kansas farmer, who lived through a frightening experience on a June afternoon in 1928:

"As we hurried to the cyclone cellar, I turned for a last look. The lower end of the funnel-shaped cloud, which had been sweeping the ground, began to rise, and I knew we were comparatively safe until it dipped again. In a few seconds the great shaggy end was directly overhead.

"Looking up, I saw right into the heart of the tornado. The circular opening in the funnel, hollow except for what looked like a detached cloud moving up and down, was 50 to 100 feet in diameter and extended upward for at least half a mile. The whole was made brilliantly visible by lightning which zigzagged from side to side. Around the lower rim of the great vortex, small tornadoes were constantly forming and breaking away."

People caught in tornadoes have had hair-raising adventures,



yet oddly enough, many have lived to tell the tale. In Newburg, Ala., in 1920, J. P. Sanderson saw a tornado coming and ordered his family to lie on the floor. His small son didn't obey quickly enough and Sanderson was horrified as the youngster disappeared through an open window.

Almost before the grief-stricken father could cry out, the boy reappeared and was gently deposited on the floor—uninjured.

Tornado victims are often carried high into the air. There was, for instance, a Miss Morehouse who was walking along the street in Kirksville, Mo., in 1899, when a tornado struck. Before the woman knew what was happening she found herself lifted skywards.

"I was conscious all the time I was flying through the air," she said. "I was lifted and whirled around and around, at one time far above the church steeple. As I was roaring through the air, I saw a white horse rotating about me. By the way it kicked and struggled I knew it

was still alive." Her adventure was soon ended when Miss Morehouse was deposited, quite unharmed, on the village common a quarter of a mile from where she had been picked up.

The pranks of the tornado have given it a reputation for bizarre playfulness. In a home torn to pieces by a western tornado, there was one room from which a wall was blown away and every stick of furniture swept out. Yet hanging to a nail on the opposite wall a sunbonnet was untouched by the fury of destruction.

The relative value of health and wealth always depend on which one you have lost.
R & R Magazine

Best Wishes

... May the Yuletide season be the harbinger of a year of peace and prosperity for all our friends.

McDaniel Garage
Muenster

Christmas Wishes

May the blessings of good cheer, good health and good friends visit you this Christmas.

Lone Star Cleaners
Gainesville

Season's Greetings

WITH BEST WISHES FOR CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR

Hirscy Bakery
Muenster

Greetings

To our many friends—old and new—May the spirit of Christmas linger with you to brighten every day of the New Year.

Muenster State Bank
Member F.D.I.C.

W E'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

Geo. J. Carroll & Son

HEALTH DEPARTMENT REPORTS DECLINE IN DISEASE, DEATH RATE

AUSTIN.—The editor of this paper has just received a beautiful Christmas card signed by Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, carrying the following message to be published for the citizens of Texas:

"The Texas State Department of Health is happy to report that with your help the incidence of communicable disease in Texas has reached an all time low; also people are living longer, on the average, than at any time in the past.

"Christmas is a proper time to give thanks for the degree of health we now enjoy. I want to thank you for your assistance in making this record possible, and ask you to continue your efforts to further public health in Texas.

"May you and all those you hold dear have a very Merry Christmas and a New Year of Good Health. Sincerely yours, Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer."

On the front of the card is a handsome picture of the new State Health Department Building which was first occupied by the Department in 1943, and on which has just been completed a fourth floor addition. Prior to occupying this building, the entire Health Department was housed on part of one floor of the old Land Office Building.

Dr. Cox was re-appointed to his 7th consecutive two year term as State Health Officer, by the State Board of Health in December.

"Your Greatest Gift May Be a Life" Is Statewide Christmas Safety Slogan

AUSTIN.—Your greatest gift may be a life!

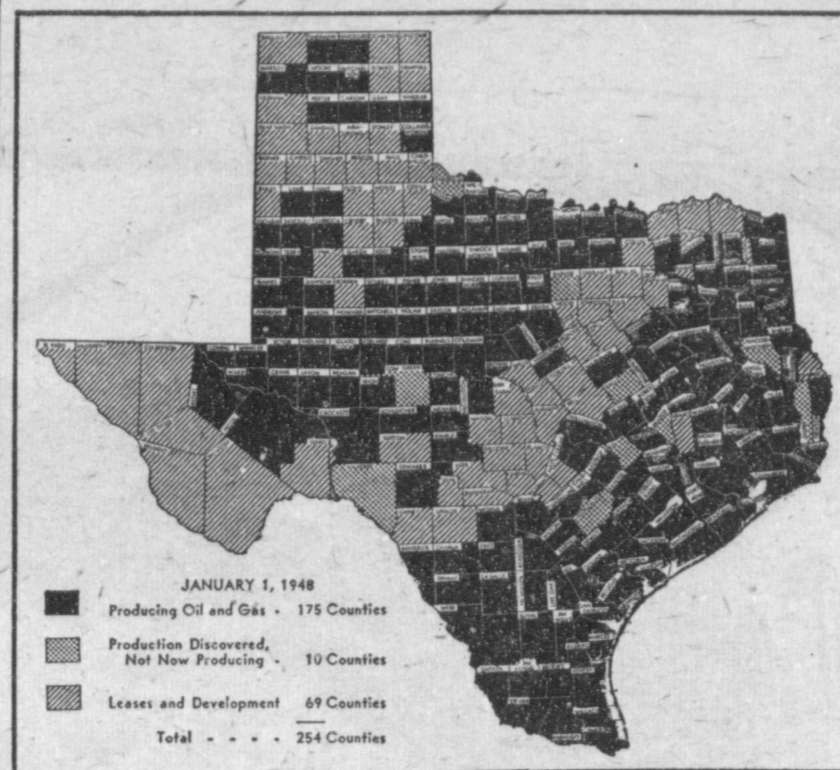
With this slogan as its spearhead, the Texas Safety Association Saturday took Governor Jester's campaign against holiday traffic deaths to the far corners of the State.

The Association asked the 41 statewide organizations supporting its traffic safety program to spread the word that there can be less than the expected 85 deaths and twenty-five hundred injuries between Dec. 23 and Jan. 1 "if individual Texans will assume the responsibility for making it so."

Governor Jester said the Department of Public Safety has predicted 230 deaths and 6,000 injuries for December. In the two days before Christmas, the prediction said, 30 will be killed and nine hundred injured.

The farmer, back from the country fair with a new horse, found the animal refused to eat or drink. The farmer's eyes gleamed hopefully. "By golly, I've got a real bargain if he's a good worker," he exclaimed.

Petroleum Business Pays Landowners Of Texas Over 331 Million Dollars



DALLAS.—About 58,000,000 acres of Texas land, nearly one-third the state's area, has been leased for oil and gas exploration and production, a report published by the Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association indicated today.

Land has been leased from landowners in each of the 254 counties, the report showed, and there is oil and gas production in 175 counties at the first of 1948. Ten more counties have had production but are not producing now. During 1947 Kenedy, San Augustine, and Sterling counties produced oil for the first time.

The Texas petroleum industry during 1947 paid Texas landowners scattered over 254 counties, a total of \$331,738,000 for leases, rentals, bonuses, and royalties.

Landowners last year received more than \$89,348,000 in lease and bonus payments. The report said this sum was "a considerable income in view of the fact that only a portion of these leases will ever become productive."

"When the property is productive, the landowner received 'royalty payments' which average slightly more than one-eighth of the oil or gas produced," the report stated. "These payments in Texas during 1947 were \$242,390,000."

Johnsons Baffle Scorers At NTSC Basketball Games

and Johnson are working the scorekeeper overtime at North Texas State College basketball games.

To make it worse, James and Johnny Johnson are red-headed and have the same first initials. Charles has black hair.

They are not related. James, a hard driving guard, lettered at Woodrow Wilson in Dallas and served in the merchant marine. Johnny, a six-foot forward comes from Abernathy and is a navy veteran and former West Texas State cage star.

Charles, youngest but tallest of the three, is a product of North Side High in Fort Worth where he lettered four years and was captain two seasons.

Diplomacy is the ability to take something and act as though you were giving it away. —Banking

LONGER TIRE LIFE

Synthetic tires that wear 30 per cent longer than natural rubber are now being made in steadily greater volume, and tire makers predict that eventually your car tires may outlast your car. The new synthetic rubber is produced at near-freezing temperatures instead of at the standard 122-degree heat. This new process once took too long to be practical, but "speed up" chemicals have been found to meet the problem.

In coming months, the new tires are scheduled for volume production tire industry officials say.

Holiday Greetings

We wish you each—we wish you all—the blessings and happiness of this Yuletide season. Our best wishes for your happiness now and all through the New Year.

It is again our pleasure to thank you most sincerely for your past patronage. We tried to serve you well—we hope to serve you even better in '49.

The Charm Shop
Pearl and Marilyn

Merry Christmas to All

Huchtons Laundry
Muenster

Merry Christmas

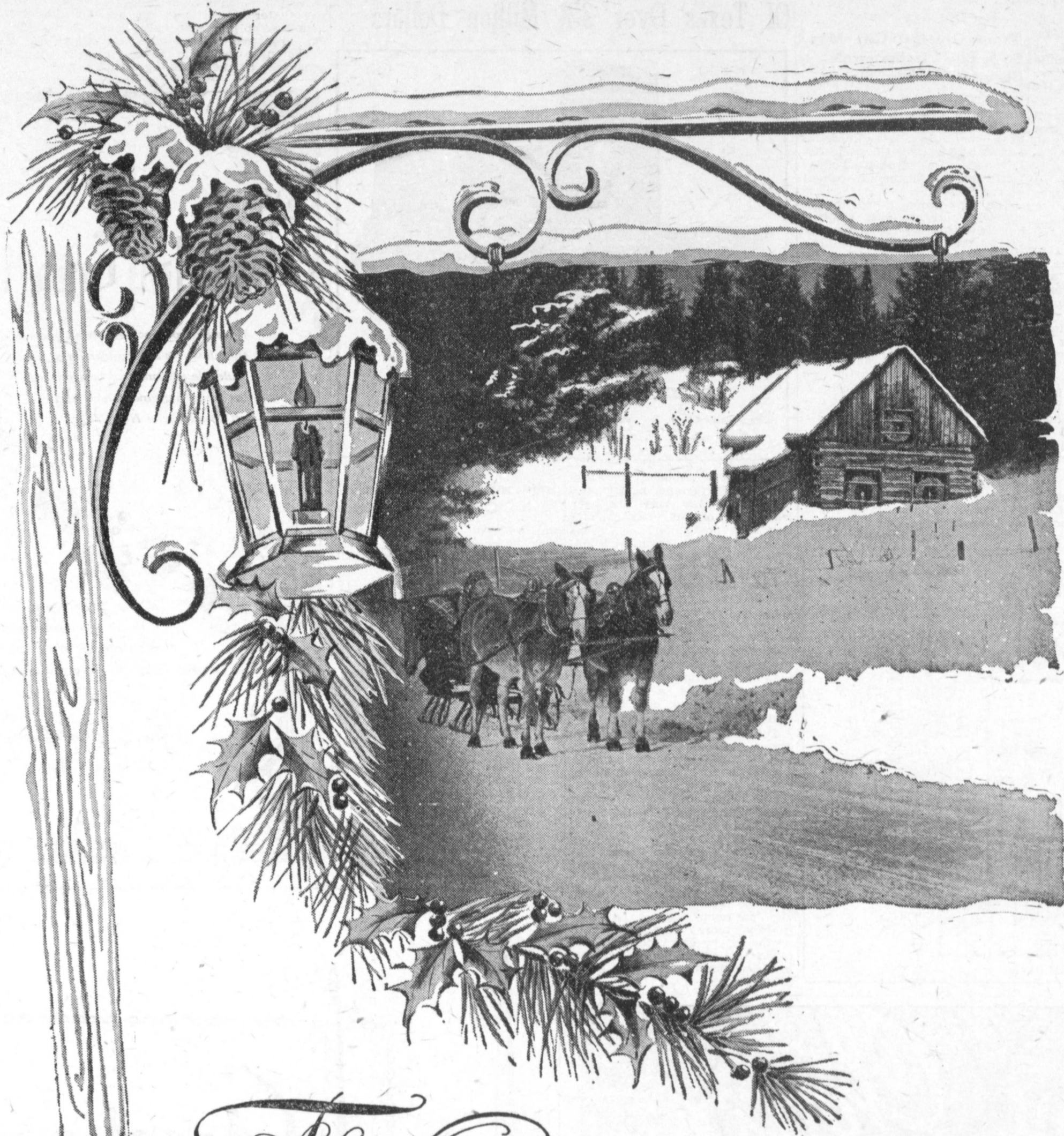
The joy in wishing you a Merry Christmas can only be equaled in the pleasure of voicing our hope for your happiness and good health during the coming new year.

C. D. Shamburger Lumber Co.
Muenster

Greetings

It is a pleasure and an honor at the eve of the Christmas season to express our sincere regard for your friendship and your loyalty and to wish you the Merriest Christmas of them all.

FARRAR'S
GOOD SHOES • CORRECTLY FITTED
Gainesville



The Season's Best Wishes

*The Yuletide season with its multitude of joys and
manifestations of good cheer, is with us again. Once more
it offers us the opportunity to set aside the routine of
every-day business and in real sincerity wish all our friends
the blessings of A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.*

The County Officials of Cooke County

CARROLL F. SULLIVANT
County Judge

M. L. HELM
County Tax Assessor-Collector

EMORY HORN
County Sheriff

WOODROW U. CLEGG
District Clerk

JOHN ATCHISON
County Attorney

J. E. "Earl" TAYLOR
Commissioner Precinct 3

HUBERT H. MOSS
County Superintendent

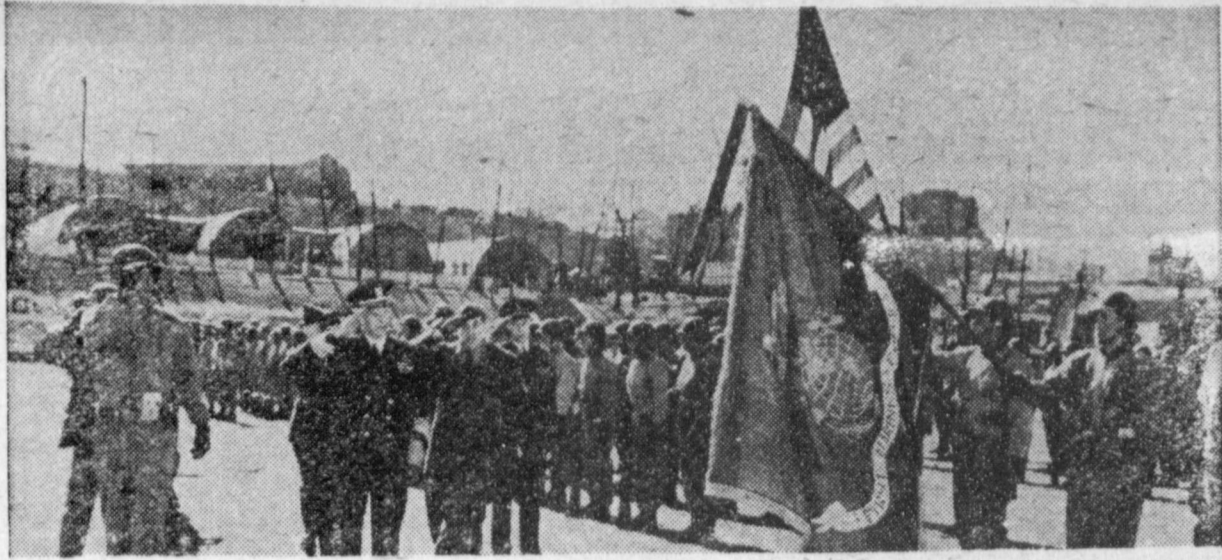
C. C. "Cliff" GARDNER
State Representative

WILLIE MAE GRUNDY
County Treasurer

EARL ROBISON
Commissioner Precinct 4

TOM BLOUNT
County Clerk

BEN W. BOYD
District Judge



TSINGTAO, CHINA—With United States Marines on the scene, safe evacuation of U.S. citizens from war-torn China is assured. Shown above, Vice Admiral Oscar C. Badger (center), Commander of U.S. Naval Forces in the Western Pacific, salutes the colors during an inspection of the First Marines. Flanking him are General Gerald C. Thomas (right), head of Fleet Marine Force, and Major Edwin B. Wheeler of Port Chester, N.Y., unit commander. The outfit is being reinforced with 1,250 Leathernecks from Guam to assist in the evacuation.

Socialized Medicine, It's Wonderful

How to Get Your Glasses

by RAYMOND NUNN
In Scotland's Sunday Mail

If you need a pair of glasses or because you've never had any before and need them now, this is how to go about getting them.

First, visit any optician and doctor who is in the health scheme. Their names are available at post offices and public libraries. If you can't find a list in your area this means it hasn't yet been published and you'll have to wait unless you care to go round and ask.

Having run down the right doc-

tor or optician you obtain your first forms from him — O.S.C. 2 and O.S.C. 2a (Scotland).

When You Pay

If you have broken your spectacles through "personal carelessness" you must pay to get them repaired, and if they're over two years old, you pay anyway.

But you don't get the glasses — not for a long time.

The prescription goes to the local Ophthalmic Services Committee who consider your case. In cities it usually takes them a month to reach a decision.

If they give the OK the optician will make you spectacles, but not quickly.

For Scotland's best and biggest opticians (and naturally you'll pick the best since it's all free) are swamped with applications.

One Glasgow firm has already turned away a thousand applications, partly because they can't manufacture spectacles quickly enough, and partly because they keep running out of forms O.S.C.2 and O.S.C.2a (Scotland), which are difficult to get.

Good Service

But wherever you go you will find that the optician will do his very best to serve you efficiently. This is not only due to the fact that opticians have always given good service to the public.

The other reason is that they have a wary eye on a return to the position as before, when free spectacles will have become a memory, because, as one explained to me, "it is the considered opinion of every optician in the business that the present fantastic rate of expenditure on this service cannot continue indefinitely."

Meanwhile the opticians are not grumbling. They are all earning money fast, although, they say, it isn't coming through from the Government as quickly as they are issuing free spectacles.

Advertising Stunt Man Finds People Are Honest

ST. LOUIS.— Albert Poll, advertising stunt man, has concluded that people are more honest than he thought.

Poll toured St. Louis streets for four days with a wheelbarrow full of money, \$110, which was supposed to represent "savings" made by buying at a certain food store. He purposely left it unguarded at times to see if any passerby would dip into it but nobody did.

"I expected to have at least half of it stolen, just for good will's sake," Poll explained.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT

Take your postoffice box number, and double it. Add 5. Multiply by 50, then add your age. Add the number of days in a year. Subtract 615. You won't believe it — but the last two figures will be your age; the others your postoffice box number.

LAMPASAS RANCHER CLAIMS 2000 KILLS IN WAR ON RATTLESNAKES

LAMPASAS, Texas.— Elisha Chambers gigs rattlesnakes like piscatorial enthusiasts gig fish.

That makes him a valuable citizen around these parts, where ranchers annually see thousands of dollars worth of their livestock cut down by rattlers.

A lot of folks around here think Lampasas County should have a rattlesnake killer on its payroll. If and when the job is created, it'll go to Elisha Chambers handsdown, for he has an undisputed talent in dealing with the venomous reptiles.

In the past eight years, Chambers has giggered and dynamited 2,000 or more rattlers. That makes him the champion rattlesnake killer of Lampasas County, easily — and maybe of all Texas.

His "gig" is a long piece of metal tubing with a barbed end. Chambers calls it a harpoon; a fisherman would call it a gig. Whatever name it is called, it is Chambers' favorite weapon.

At times, when he gets the gig going in a full nest, Chambers has wiped out whole families of rattlesnakes without stopping to clear the sharp weapon.

The biggest rattler Chambers ever stopped was a 15½ pounder. The snake had 22 rattles, was 6 feet, 3 inches long, 21 inches in circumference.

Chambers began his war on rattlesnakes soon after he moved onto a ranch near here. The reptiles bit his sheep and his horses and he gnashed his teeth. Then Chambers' baby was bitten, and that did it. He opened warfare on snakes.

TRUE TO FORM

Anyone doubting that this government is the biggest thing on earth is invited to consider this: The Veterans Administration this year asked for \$7,900,000 for stationery. This would have printed 3,674,000,000 forms, or 200 forms for each veteran or 30 forms for each person in the United States. It also asked for 303,217,500 letterheads, at a cost of \$557,902. This would have permitted each of the employees of the VA, including elevator operators, to write 1348 letters in fiscal 1948.

With best wishes

... for a joyous Yuletide celebration and a New Year overflowing with all good things for you and yours.

Lou Wolf and Arnold Swirczynski

Christmas joy to All

BOHLS STORE
Gainesville

With best wishes for Christmas

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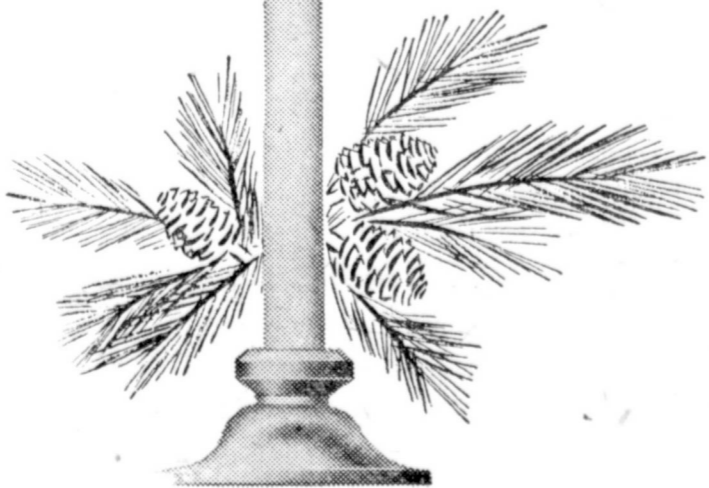
Deck the tree with boughs of jolly good spirits . . . tinsel bright as the faces of little ones on Christmas morning . . . ornaments reflecting happiness, joy, peace on earth — good will to all men. We sincerely wish you all the joys and happiness of the season and a wonderful New Year to come.

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About the biggest single project ever undertaken by this community got under way this week when the Sacred Heart Parish vacated its fifty year old church and started clearing the site for a new building, the cost of which has been estimated to run as high as \$400,000.

If the enthusiasm and co-operation shown by the volunteers who came to help can be taken as an indication, the job is off to a wonderful start. A lot of work was done the first few days. If the pace continues all usable materials will be neatly stacked and ready for the big job within a few weeks.

It's a gratifying sign, especially in view of the concern so frequently expressed over the size of the project. It proves to all who will observe that this community can do big things in a big way by pulling together. It also suggests the possibility that a magnificent edifice worth as much or more than the estimated figure can be built with a considerably smaller cash outlay. The stockpile of material now being salvaged and the labor cost now being saved is a big start in that direction.

With a similar cooperative spirit on the financial side, the project will be a breeze. If people kick in as cheerfully as they pitch in they'll have the whole fund under control in a few years. It's possible, you know. A community whose income runs to several millions annually can raise a sizeable fund every year when it gets the notion.

A few days ago this writer received the latest pamphlet on Communism from the un-American Activities Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives. Entitled "100 Things You Should Know About Communism in Education", it is the third in a series of five intended to expose the communist system of worming its way into American life with the ultimate goal of wrecking our country altogether and turning it over to Stalin and his henchmen.

In this country as well as in Russia the Reds adhere to the Lenin theory "Give us the child for 8 years and it will be a Bolshevik forever." Their method is to teach the youngsters what to think rather than how to think. Hatred of God, hatred of democracy, hatred of all countries and peoples not in the Red orbit, along with a blind fanatic allegiance to Stalin and Communism make up the training which the Reds choose to call education.

Thank goodness they haven't quite reached that stage in the United States. They haven't taken over kindergartens and lower grades but they have wormed their way into institutions of higher learning all over the country and are at this very moment carrying on a systematic insidious campaign to poison the minds of high school and college students and adult students in special trade schools.

Thousands of people all over this country today are being taught that the American way of life is no good, that private initiative and free enterprise lead only to chaos whereas the Russian system offers comfort and security for all. Contemptible, misleading teachers are painting rosy pictures about the Red utopia but neglecting to tell students that the underprivileged in this country enjoy more comfort and freedom than the elite of Russia.

Ridiculous as it seems, the whole rotten red campaign of poisoning American education is carried on under the guise of academic freedom. Hiding behind the principle that any theory is entitled to an airing in American classrooms, subversive teachers openly expound the advantage of the communist way but do not allow a fair presentation of the American way. What the red instructors defend as academic freedom is nothing but red propaganda by the time it reaches the students.

For a long time this column has harped on the abuse of academic freedom in colleges, and it is pleased to note that the un-American Activities Committee in its pamphlet presents a similar

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MOST SERIOUS problem before the Security Council in 1948 was the Berlin question, which involved four of the five permanent members of the Council. Here the 11-nation Council listens to the views of the United Kingdom as explained by Sir Alexander Cadogan (center).

Peter Hellinger, 76, Lindsay Resident 48 Years, Dies Dec. 23

Peter Hellinger, 76, a resident of Lindsay for 48 years, passed away on Thursday, Dec. 23, at his home in Gainesville following an extended illness.

Funeral services were held Monday morning at 9 o'clock in Saint Peter's church, Lindsay, with Rev. Conrad Herda, pastor, officiating at the requiem high mass and at the burial in the Lindsay cemetery. Pallbearers were Raymond, Joe, Andrew and Norbert Zimmerer, Joe Koerner and Bill Schad.

Mr. Hellinger was born March 7, 1872, in St. Antonio, Ind., and came to Lindsay in 1899. On Nov. 15, 1900, he married Miss Barbara Galasky. He engaged in farming and resided in Lindsay until about a year ago when he retired from active work and moved to Gainesville to make his home. Mrs. Hellinger died in 1924.

Survivors are 11 children: Mrs. Ben Fleitman, Muenster; Mrs. Lawrence Knabe, Mrs. Jack-Rosson, Joe, Frank, George and Hugo Hellinger, all of Gainesville; Paul and Pete Hellinger, Lindsay; Carl Hellinger, Amarillo, and Mrs. J. L. Senn of Washington and 28 grandchildren.

REMODELING JOB IN KC HALL BASEMENT NEARS COMPLETION

When Muenster Knights of Columbus gather for their regular monthly meeting next Wednesday night they will find their basement remodeling job complete.

L. H. Baumhardt, grand knight announced this week that the finishing touches are being applied now and the council's officers are preparing a special program to introduce the members to their new club quarters.

Principal changes include a complete interior finish of plaster and celotex, new fixtures, a kitchen, snack bar, check room, bingo table in four sections, and several small tables. The bar and tables all have maple tops from material salvaged from the discarded bowling alley and are finished in their natural color with chromium trimmings.

Vincent and Leonard Walterscheid of Hereford visited here this week with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Al Walterscheid and family. Leonard lettered on the Hereford Calves "B" team of Hereford High this year and made 42 points during the season. He plays fullback. The boys are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walterscheid, formerly of this city.

Peter Kappas, Husband of Former Muenster Girl, Dies Saturday in California

Leo Voth left early Monday morning by plane from Dallas for Palm Springs, Calif., to attend funeral services for his brother-in-law, Peter Kappas, who died on Christmas day at 2:45 a.m. after an extended illness. Funeral arrangements were still incomplete pending the arrival of relatives.

Mr. Kappas is survived by his wife, the former Miss Mary Voth of this city, and one son, Peter Jr.

Bank Directors Declare 26th Annual 5% Dividend

For the twenty-sixth consecutive year stockholders of the Muenster State Bank received a 5 per cent dividend on their investment this Christmas. In keeping with a custom originated when the bank was organized in 1923, directors declared the dividend at their regular December meeting.

Along with this statement announcing the dividend the officers pledge their continued efforts to participate in any worth while development of the community and invite all citizens of this area to avail themselves of the bank's facilities and personnel in working out their problems.

FOOTBALL BANQUET TO HONOR LETTERMEN AND OUTSTANDING PLAYERS

The two outstanding players on the 1948 Hornet football team will receive trophies, and lettermen of the season will be announced at a banquet sponsored by the Sacred Heart P-TA Athletic Committee Thursday night, Jan. 6.

Guests for the event are members of the team and pep squad, members of the local school board and their wives and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Evans, donors of the two trophies.

The dinner, to be held in the school lunch room, will be followed by a dance in the K of C hall.

Daniel Starke who enlisted in the army air corps on Dec. 13 is stationed at Lackland AFB for his basic training. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Starke.

Miss Marie Sturm of Rushville, Neb., and Reuben Sturm of Carroll, Iowa, are spending the current holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sturm. They will leave again this weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Endres and daughter, Miss Floradell, spent Sunday in Fort Worth visiting their daughter and sister, Sister M. Cecile at OLV convent. Mrs. Endres remained for an extended visit returning home Wednesday.

MARY JO WALTER AND NORMA JEAN MOSSER HURT IN CAR CRASH

Misses Mary Jo Walter and Norma Jean Mosser of Gainesville were injured when the car in which they were riding with Pvt. Eddie Fleitman was wrecked at 11 p.m. on Christmas night. Two of the four men riding in the car that collided with the Fleitman car were injured.

Miss Walter lost several teeth and sustained a cut on her lower lip, a deep wound on her left knee and bruises on her left foot. Several stitches were necessary to close the wounds and she was hospitalized at M & S hospital.

Miss Mosser received a wound over one eye but was not hospitalized. Pvt. Fleitman escaped injury.

The accident occurred on highway 77 north of Gainesville.

Pvt. Fleitman, who is stationed at Scott Field, Ill. was spending a short furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al Fleitman.

News of Sick And Injured

Al Schad was back at his usual duties at the FMA store Monday afternoon for the first time since an illness afflicted him early in November.

Jerry Fuhrmann is recovering nicely at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Fuhrmann, following removal of his tonsils at Gainesville sanitarium Tuesday.

C. L. Dickerson had stitches removed Monday from his left thumb which was cut off to the first joint in an oil field accident on Dec. 20. The injury is healing satisfactorily.

Pauline Fleitman, 11-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Fleitman, was a patient in Gainesville sanitarium this week for treatment for an ear infection and is recovering satisfactorily.

Mrs. Aubrey Tuggle who underwent major surgery at Gainesville sanitarium on Dec. 18 was sufficiently recovered to be moved to her home here last Thursday and is recovering normally.

Adolph Herr, Wilson, Okla., formerly of Muenster, was dismissed from M & S hospital Monday after being a patient since Dec. 15 following a car wreck in which he received serious injuries.

Cpl. and Mrs. Darrell Trotter and daughter of Biloxi, Miss., arrived last week Wednesday for a holiday visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fletcher. Cpl. Trotter will leave Saturday to return to camp, his wife and daughter remaining here about two weeks until he is transferred back to Fort Worth following completion of a special course of training in Mississippi.

Parish Vacates Church This Week and Begins Clearing Location for New Edifice

S. H. ALUMNI COMBINE FORMALITY AND FUN AT ANNUAL PARTY

Combining finery, formality, food and fun, the Sacred Heart Alumni Association's annual dinner-dance at the parish hall Monday night maintained its reputation as the outstanding event on this community's social calendar.

About 125 alumni members and guests were present for the program consisting of a dinner in the school lunch room at 7:30 and a dance on the main floor at 9.

Father Paul Charcut of Pilot Point as principal speaker admonished those present to be wary of the spreading evil of secularism which places undue emphasis on temporal gains and comforts but minimizes the real importance of spiritual values. In order to maintain a proper regard for spiritual values he advised that Sacred Heart alumni members strive to preserve every phase of the thoroughly Christian education which has distinguished their alma mater for many years.

Fathers Thomas Weinzapfel and John Walbe also stressed the importance of keeping God and Christ in the classroom. Father Weinzapfel declared that religion is the basis of citizenship, that a nation cannot survive unless its members grow up with a proper knowledge and respect for right and wrong. Elaborating on the same subject Father John stated that no sacrifice is too great to preserve a true Christian standard in our schools.

Frank Hennigan, football coach, spoke briefly to thank Hornet boosters for the fine support given the team and himself during the past season.

All the speakers were introduced by Mrs. Lou Wolf, president of the association and toastmaster for the program.

Silver predominated in the dining hall decorations with a long strip of metal foil running the full length of each table. Large fans of the same material served as a background for Christmas lights in the windows, and more of it was used for individual mint cups and covers for candle bases. A Christmas tree and tinsel streamers predominated on the dance floor.

PARISH MOTHERS TO SPONSOR SHOWER FOR BURNED-OUT FAMILY

Officers of the parish St. Anne's Society announced this week that the organization will sponsor a community miscellaneous shower next Tuesday afternoon for the Ed Endres family whose home was destroyed by fire recently. The affair will be held in the parish hall basement beginning at 2 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Endres have three children, a girl three years old, a boy two years of age and a baby.

Hostesses for the afternoon will arrange tables for cards and dominoes for guests who enjoy games and will serve refreshments.

SMU-Oregon Broadcast Begins at 1 p.m. Saturday

The traditional New Year's Day broadcast of the Cotton Bowl Game in Dallas by Humble Oil and Refining Company will go on the air at 1 p.m. Saturday. This 13th Cotton Bowl game, featuring the Championship S. M.U. team and the visiting Oregonians, will be brought to listeners over a state-wide network. Kern Tips will give the play-by-play report and will be assisted by columnist Alec Chesser. The Humble broadcast may be heard in this area over stations WRR, Dallas and WFAA-820, Dallas.

The job of vacating Sacred Heart church in time to permit holding New Year's services in the new location was completed this week with time to spare. Wednesday morning Father Herman Laux stated that the goal he had set for the week had already been reached.

Perfect cooperation did the trick, Father Herman said. As the result of a gratifying response to his call for volunteers an average of more than fifty persons has been on the job since early Monday morning. At the end of the second day they had all equipment and furniture moved to the temporary location in the parish hall and the school basement. Since then the crew of workers has been divided. Some are putting the finishing touches on the temporary church and chapel, some are beginning to tear down the old building.

The only items not moved from the church prior to Wednesday were the bells. They will remain there until a special stand near the Sisters' home is completed. C. J. Fette, in charge of that job, said the bells too will be moved before the end of the week.

Technically the old building lost its status as a church the first day when the Holy Eucharist and sacred vessels were moved to the chapel in the school basement. The daily mass on Tuesday and since has been held there.

The division of principal furnishings into the two new locations was as follows: one small altar, and children's pews formerly in the balcony, were moved to the school. The main altar, a small altar, the organ, stations of the cross and all pews from the main floor were moved to the hall. Statues and other furnishings were divided between the two places.

Because of the limited space in the hall balcony, it will be used only for the choir, and has no separate arrangement for seating school children. In effect this reduces the capacity to that of the main floor of the old church, which may fall short of accommodating the usual Sunday and Holy Day crowds.

Nevertheless Father Herman said he will try to carry on with the old schedule, holding Sunday and Holy Day services in the hall at the usual hours of 6, 8 and 10. In case the building gets too crowded he will make other arrangements to divide the attendance.

His original plan to hold simultaneous services in the church and school will not work satisfactorily, he said, until the parish has another assistant pastor. Unless two priests are present, especially at communion, the main service cannot end early enough for those who wish to return or send other members of the family to the next mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Needham, Mrs. Ruth Needham and Mrs. Walter Richter had as guests during the Christmas holidays Mrs. Thad Murley of Bailey, Texas; Mrs. Bill Grubbs and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Piper of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Green, Mrs. Lucille Fancher, Frankie Fancher and Miss Joyce Armstrong, all of Gainesville.

Schedule of Coming Events

SUNDAY, JAN. 2, following afternoon church services, St. Anne Society meeting, parish hall.
MONDAY, JAN. 3, 7:30 p.m., city council meeting, city hall.
TUESDAY, JAN. 4, 2 p.m. community shower for Ed Endres family, parish hall.
WEDNESDAY, Jan. 5, 8 o'clock K of C meeting, K of C hall.
WEDNESDAY, JAN. 12, 2:30, Get-Together Club in the home of Mrs. Joe Luke.

Johnny Otto was the winner of the bicycle contest which ended last week at the Jake Pagel store.

Mrs. Dick Cain and children spent the Christmas holidays in Amarillo with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hogan and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Stelzer and daughter of Chicago are here this week for a visit with relatives.

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LOCAL NEWS BRIEFS

Rev. Henry Felderhoff of Cleburne visited here this week with members of his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Linn had as guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Homer Smith of Bonham.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Barker and daughter spent the 25th in Bonham with his parents.

Joe Starke, a student at Den-

ton, is spending the holidays with his parents and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Swirczynski of Dallas spent the 25th with their parents, the Joe Swirczynskis and J. S. Horns.

Most Rev. Bishop Augustine Danglmayr of Dallas visited here during the week with members of his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Hoedebeck and children of Dallas were Christmas guests of his parents and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Knabe and daughters, Joann and Geraldine of Hereford, spent Monday and Tuesday here visiting relatives.

Joe Weinzapfel of Saint John's Seminary, San Antonio, is spending the holidays with his parents and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fletcher of Wichita Falls spent Christmas and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fletcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Swirczynski of Fort Worth spent Christmas and the weekend with his parents and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Herr of Pilot Point visited his mother Mrs. Fred Herr and family, Monday evening.

Tuesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Linn were Mrs. Mildred Harris and two daughters of Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Swirczynski and children of Ardmore were here Sunday and Monday to visit their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Henry and son of Gainesville were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Mollenkopf on the 25th.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Yosten and daughter, Judy, of Fort Worth are here for a holiday weekend visit with their parents, the I. A. Schoehs and F. J. Yostens.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. King had as dinner guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Felty of Hood, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Blanton and Mrs. John Trew of Valley View.

Mmes. Bill Stelzer and Anna Havis returned last Friday from a week's visit in Fort Worth with the Henry Luebbert family and the Dan Bradley family.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Farrow of Groover, Texas, are here for a holiday visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Tuggle, and her brothers, Jack and Aubrey Tuggle.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Needham had as guests Monday Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Bolander and daughter of San Diego, Calif., who are spending the current holidays with relatives in Cooke county.

Lex Linn and family of Pasadena, Texas, visited his brothers here Monday enroute home after spending the Christmas holidays with relatives in Dallas and Ft. Worth.

Gene, Giles and David Lehnertz of Houston arrived on the 24th and spent until Tuesday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lehnertz. Miss Dolly Lehnertz, R. N., of McKinney, joined the family on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. King spent Christmas day with his parents Mr. and Mrs. H. E. King at Myra. Other guests were Miss Lucille King of Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Bentley of Dallas.

HARVEY GRAMMER AND MINNA LOU HARRISON ANNOUNCE MARRIAGE

Mr. and Mrs. J. Thad Harrison of Myra have announced the marriage of their daughter, Miss Minna Lou Harrison, to Harvey Grammer, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Grammer, also of Myra.

The couple exchanged marriage vows on Nov. 25 in Saint Jo with Rev. Hudson, pastor of the Baptist church, officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Grammer are temporarily at home in Myra until living quarters are available in Muenster. He is employed in oil field work here.

Miss Juanita Zipper of Dallas spent the 25th here with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Insel and daughter, Sandra Kay, of Conroe, Texas, spent Christmas and Sunday visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kathman here, and the Inselts at Gainesville.

Sister Agnes and Sister Irma of Fort Worth spent Wednesday here with their mother, Mrs. M. J. Endres, and their grandmother, Mrs. J. P. Fisch. They were accompanied to Muenster by Sister Caroline who spent the day with her cousin Mrs. F. J. Yosten.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Richter were their children and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Cris Jensen and son and Mr. and Mrs. Amber Estes of Wichita Falls, Misses Clara and Kathleen Richter of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Lutkenhaus and family and Mrs. Walter Richter and son.

Citation by Publication THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Pearl Roper, Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable 16th District Court of Cooke County at the Court House thereof, in 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 7th day of February A. D. 1949, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 27th day of December A. D. 1948, in this cause, numbered 15385 on the docket of said court and styled E. R. Roper Plaintiff, vs. Pearl Roper, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit:

That on or about the 7th day of May, 1948, plaintiff was lawfully married to defendant at Conway, Arkansas. That Plaintiff and defendant continued to live as husband and wife until on or about the 23rd day of September, 1948, when by reason of harsh treatment on part of defendant, they were permanently separated, since which time they have not lived together as husband and wife.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays that defendant be cited to appear and answer this complaint and that he be granted a divorce from this defendant, 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 27th day of December A. D. 1948.

(SEAL) Attest:
Woodrow U. Clegg, Clerk,
District Court, Cooke Co., Texas.
(6-7-8-9)

Members of the Haverkamp and Hess families had as their guests from Christmas eve to Thursday, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bischoff, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Bischoff and Cowell Bischoff of Louisville, Ky. They were honored with a series of dinners and card parties during their visit here.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ray Evans and Merlin Joe spent Christmas in Madill, Okla., with relatives.

Miss Dorothy Hartman has a new 1948 green Plymouth coupe

delivered by Ben Seyler motor company on Dec. 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cook had as their holiday guest Mrs. Opal Jones of Athens.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hess had as guests for the 25th her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Rice of Yarnady, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Couch arrived Tuesday from Detroit for a holiday visit with her sister, Mrs. Ray Evans and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Buckley and Betty Lue spent the 25th in Grapevine with her brother, L. G. Chasteen and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Helton and daughter spent the Christmas holidays in Waco with their parents.

Messrs. and Mmes. Marion Ray Holt and Milton Ramsey spent Christmas day with the ladies' parents in Ringgold.

Mrs. T. S. Myrick and children spent Monday and Tuesday in Weatherford visiting her mother and other relatives.

Miss Lucille Cler of Fort Worth spent the holiday weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cler.

Paul R. Nieball of Lakeside, Ariz., was here during the holidays to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nieball.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Nieball and daughter, Patsy, of Dallas spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nieball.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McCreary and children of Iraan, Texas, left Wednesday after spending a week with her mother, Mrs. Callie Baumhardt and family.

Ed McKinney, REA office manager, spent Christmas in Fort Worth with his family. They will move to Muenster as soon as Joe Luke's new house is completed.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob McBride and son of County Line, Okla., spent the 24th and 25th visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Williams and members of the family.

Mrs. Catherine Huchtons had all her children and grandchildren at home for Christmas, including Mr. and Mrs. Sid Huchtons and son of Davis, Okla., and M. Sgt. and Mrs. Walter Huchtons and son of Denison.

Norman Fleshman and his classmate, Gene Sheets, of Oklahoma City left Wednesday to return to Capitol Hill High school after spending the holidays with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Fleshman.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Morris of Gainesville and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Daniels and two sons of Plainview, visited Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Morris on Christmas and the three families were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. General Morris.

All of F. W. Herr's children and grandchildren gathered at his home for a Christmas day reunion. Present from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Jakubec and children of Dallas. They arrived on the 24th and remained through Sunday.

Mrs. Ben Hellman had as her guests for Christmas dinner Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Frost of Gainesville, Messrs. and Mmes. Jud Boyles and Clarence Hellman and their families, Mrs. J. W. Boyles and daughter, Miss Polly, of Denton, and Mrs. Edith Jones and two children, also of Denton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilde had as guests for Christmas and Sunday her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Schmitz and sons, Leroy and Johnnie, all of Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Schmitz and two children of Dallas, and Mr. and Mrs. Grant Cox of Hammond, Ind. Mrs. Cox is remembered as the former Miss Rosalie Schmitz.

Guests of Mrs. M.J. Endres and her mother, Mrs. J.P. Fisch, for

the 24th and 25th were Mr. and Mrs. John Fisch of Okmulgee, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Len Endres and children of Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fisch and family of Guthrie. Both families from Oklahoma also visited their daughter and sister, Mrs. Dick Graf and family in Gainesville.

A family party was held on Christmas eve in the home of A. T. Hoehn with all his children present with the exception of Bill Hoehn of Borger. Those in attendance were Miss Jane Hoehn Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hoehn and baby of Gainesville, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hoehn, Dallas, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Cler and family. The Dallas visitors remained here until Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Baumhardt entertained with a dinner on Christmas day in their home for the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McCreary and children of Iraan, Texas, Roland Baumhardt, A & M College, O. J. Baumhardt, Wichita Falls, Mrs. Callie Baumhardt and family, and Mrs. L. H. Baumhardt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. James and their granddaughter Virginia Graves, of Wichita Falls. Miss Janice Lee Baumhardt accompanied her grandparents back to Wichita Falls to spend a week.

Alphonse Hoenig and Walter Becker returned early last Friday from a week's fishing trip at the Gulf. While in Corpus Christi they visited Rev. Thomas Buegler and Rev. Richard Eved; at Three Rivers they saw the Leo Hartmans, and in Austin visited the Toney Burger family. They were accompanied home by Rev. Vincent Orth of Corpus Christi who is spending the current holidays in Lindsay assisting with church services and visiting his sister, Mrs. Matt Fuhrmann and family.

PRESS CLUB MEMBERS HAVE CHRISTMAS PARTY DEC. 22

Members of Sacred Heart Press Club held their Christmas party on Wednesday night, Dec. 22, in the freshman room of Sacred Heart High school.

The room was elaborately decorated in the Yule motif featuring a decorated tree and a miniature nativity scene. Favors for guests were miniature Santa's boots filled with candy and tiny Santa Clauses.

The singing of carols preceded the gift exchange and games and the serving of refreshments concluded the program. Sister M. Eymard, press club sponsor, and Rev. Herman Laux, were special guests.

SAN ANTONIO VISITORS HONORED DURING STAY HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wilde entertained with a birthday dinner in their home on Dec. 22 honoring her brother-in-law, W. A. Showers of San Antonio.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Showers and daughter, Jane Gail, Mrs. G.E.W. Adams and son, Jack, all of San Antonio, Messrs. and Mmes. Joe Bergman and Joe Kathman.

On Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bergman entertained with a dinner honoring the San Antonio visitors with the same group as guests, plus Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Rosson of Decatur and their son, Clyde Jr., and Alphonse Schmitz of Valley View.

The San Antonians returned to their home Monday after a week's visit with relatives in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Walterscheid and sons, Earl and Tommy, accompanied by Miss Florene Arndt of Lindsay, spent Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in Hereford visiting the Frank Walterscheids and friends.

About 60 persons attended the annual FMA Christmas party on Dec. 22 for employees and their guests. The affair was held in the plant's pent house offices. The 28 plant and store employees received gifts from the association and the group enjoyed informal diversion and refreshments.

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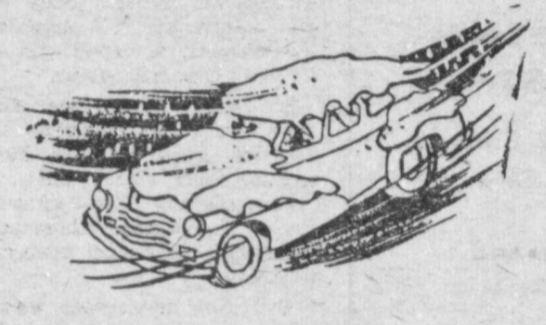
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