

Christmas Is Exciting--But Don't Let It Go To Your Head While You're Driving

Christmas is a joyous, bustling and exciting season. And it is just these elements that too often contribute to tragic accidents, according to Jeanne Smith, Dodge safety consultant.

Both motorists and pedestrians are apt to be so preoccupied with

holiday plans and festivities that they let their guard down in traffic—and that's when accidents are most likely to occur, she warns. Here are Jeanne's suggestions for a safe holiday season:

1. **STAY ALERT.** Don't let excitement over holiday plans and

preparations divert your attention from careful driving and cautious walking.

2. **SLOW DOWN.** Inclement weather and more hours of darkness during the holiday season make it doubly important to reduce speed. Don't be over-anxious to reach that gala party or to complete your Christmas shopping. Last Christmas, excessive speed was the most frequent driver violation.

3. **BE A CAREFUL PEDESTRIAN.** More than half of the traffic accidents at Christmas time involve pedestrians. Don't let your enthusiasm over selecting the right gifts cause you to forget common-sense safety rules. Never carry packages or umbrellas in such a way that your vision is blocked. Most important, cross only at corners and pedestrian crosswalks. Never dart in traffic from between parked cars.

4. **BE A "COOL" DRIVER.** The holiday rush and bustle often leads to tensions and impatience. Traffic is heavy. Control your temper when behind the wheel and never take unnecessary chances.

5. **IF YOU DRINK, DON'T DRIVE.** At holiday social affairs where drinks are served, don't drive if you have had even "one for the road."



Charles Dickens' famous Christmas Carol was not the most popular of his Christmas stories during his lifetime, nor was it the one he hoped to be remembered by.

Dr. Ada Nisbet, who did extensive research for a book on the famous English author, states that the most popular of Dickens' Christmas stories in his day was "The Cricket on the Hearth," a poignant story of a father who tries to shield his blind daughter from the realities of life.

"It outdid Dickens' familiar tale of Scrooge and Tiny Tim by two to one," says Dr. Nisbet, an associate professor of English on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California. "Two weeks after its appearance in 1845 dramatic versions of 'The Cricket' were playing at 12 different theatres in London alone."

Dickens' own favorite of his many Christmas stories, and the one he hoped would give him lasting fame, was "The Chimes." As he was writing it, he enthusiastically wrote a friend that it "would knock 'The Carol' out of the field."

But the public did not take to "The Chimes," probably because it was filled with uncomfortable topical satire. "The Christmas Carol" survived and became increasingly popular. Dr. Nisbet believes, because it is cheerful and "Christmasy," with a social doctrine shapeless enough to be acceptable to all.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Inman of Littlefield visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Kirk Sunday.



By Vern Sanford
Texas Press Association

AUSTIN, Tex.—Christmas has come to the Capitol, and all the traditions are being observed.

A mammoth 40-foot tree with hundreds of lights centers the rotunda. State employees, from the youngest clerk to the top man, gather 'round the huge tree once each year to sing Christmas carols.

For the first time, Gov. Allan Shivers and his family will spend Christmas in the Mansion. In the past they've gone to Sharyland, their Rio Grande Valley home. But this year they're staying here to get ready for moving . . . to make room for Gov.-Elect Price Daniel who takes office on Jan. 15.

Sen. Daniel is working against time to get legislative and inauguration plans settled before the first of the year. Then he must go to Washington to serve two more weeks as senator.

But between being senator and getting ready to be governor, the Daniels hope to sandwich in a simple family holiday at their Liberty ranch home.

"BETTER GOVERNMENT" BILLS—An extensive legislative program designed to prevent recurrence of state scandals has been unveiled.

Sixteen "better government" bills were formulated in the attorney general's department under sponsorship of the Texas Press Association. TPA's legislative committee approved the measures and has called on Texas newspapers to work for their passage.

Bills are aimed primarily at secrecy in public affairs. They would outlaw closed meetings of governmental bodies, force publication of official transactions and impose penalties for suppression of public records. Insurance companies would be required to publish financial statements at least twice a year. Names of veterans applying for land under the veterans land program would be publicized.

Committee members also endorsed creation of a special Travis County grand jury for state affairs.

DANIEL BACKS WATER PLAN—Gov.-Elect Price Daniel will submit as emergency legislation the proposed \$100,000,000 water development fund.

Daniel said he will support this and other objectives of the Texas Water Resources Committee's program. But he said he wants to study further before making a tax recommendation.

According to committee members, the \$100,000,000 revolving fund would not require a special tax. It would be used to extend credit to local governments for water conservation projects.

However, the committee did suggest taxes to buy water storage space in federal reservoirs. Proposed levies would increase fishing licenses 50 cents and place a five per cent excise on pleasure boats and motors.

CITIES FIGHT OVER WATER—Texas' largest cities have squared off in a water rights battle that promises to surpass all others.

Southern Canal Company has asked the State Water Board for a permit to withdraw 200 million gallons daily from the Trinity River for industrial use in the Houston area. Houston has indicated it is backing the company's plan.

Trinity River Authority, together with Fort Worth, Dallas and other cities using Trinity water are protesting.

Testimony before the Water Board is expected to be complex and lengthy.

WATERFALL DEFICIENT—All

areas of the state are nearing the end of the year with substantially less-than-normal rainfall.

State Board of Water Engineers reports 11-months deficiencies ranging from 12 to 19 inches. Storage in major lakes continues at about 43 per cent of capacity.

DROUGHT AID EXTENDED—U. S. Dept. of Agriculture has extended from Dec. 31 until March 15 the emergency program to help livestock owners in drought areas buy feed.

Gov. Shivers commended this decision and asked that USDA also extend grazing privileges under the soil bank program. He requested railroads to continue reduced freight rates for hay shipments to drought areas.

Cameron and Willacy Counties have been added to bring the total drought-hit counties in Texas to 238 out of 254.

SECOND WOMAN GOVERNOR—To Mrs. Nevelle Colson of Navasota went the distinction of being Texas' first woman governor since Mrs. Miriam Ferguson.

Mrs. Colson's senate colleagues had named her interim president pro tempore, an office second in line to the governorship. Gov. Shivers and Lt. Gov. Ramsey gallantly left the state so Mrs. Colson could have the traditional "governor for a day" honors.

She proclaimed State Highway Day in recognition of one of her primary legislative interests.

SHEPHERD OFFERS AID—Atty.-Gen. John Ben Shepperd will go to Tennessee next month to help defend persons charged with interfering with school integration.

Shepperd, whose term of office ends Jan. 1, will act as a private citizen.

A federal court order has enjoined persons from interfering with Clinton school integration by "thought, deed or word." Shepperd said he thought this "too broad."

SHORT SNOOTHS—There'll be a several months delay, Land Commissioner Earl Rudder has told some 13,000 veterans applying to purchase land. Money from the additional \$100,000,000 bond program voted in November will not be available until sometime between April and June.

USDA has upped its forecast of Texas' 1956 cotton crop to 3,610,000 bales—a 10,000-bale increase over the November estimate.

Texas farmer is becoming a big operator, according to the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research. From 1949-54 the number of farms decreased 12 per cent, but total area under cultivation jumped by a half million acres. Result: fewer farms, but more in the \$25,000 a year bracket.

Austin school authorities may ask the legislature to establish a special school for the teen-age boys who serve the law makers as pages. In the past, pages have missed a semester of work . . . Newly-elected prosecuting attorneys came to Austin for a short course in state codes and procedures. Sponsors were the University of Texas School of Law and the Attorney General's Department. A course for incoming sheriffs and deputies was held simultaneously by the Department of Public Safety.

Miss Myrtle Teague of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Sanders of Morton will spend the Christmas holidays here in the home of Miss Teague and Mrs. Sanders' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Teague Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Sanders will also visit in the home of Mr. Sanders' mother, Mrs. H. G. Sanders.

Future Teachers Name Slaton Girl Vice President

Bobbie Reynolds of Slaton has been elected vice-president of the Texas Tech chapter of Future Teachers of America. Membership of the organization is open to education majors and minors.

Miss Reynolds is a junior elementary education major. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Reynolds of Rt. 1, Slaton.

Attend CYF Rally

Seven Slaton youngsters, accompanied by Mrs. Joe Holland and Mrs. R. H. Davis attended a District 2 Rally of the Christian Youth Fellowship in Brownfield Sunday, Dec. 9.

Those attending included Keith Davis, Billy Traewick, Lettie Traewick, Olivia Sanders, Sue Reasoner, Shiela McCormick, and Robin Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Gerngross and family will spend the Christmas holidays in Rowena visiting in the home of Mrs. Gerngross' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schraer.

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YOUNGEST PATIENT in the 15-year history of the Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation is tiny Susan Lee Bibbes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester R. Bibbes of Burnet, Texas, who has been hospitalized at the rehabilitation center since November 7. Born on August 4, 1956, Susan contracted polio on October 2. She is a favorite of the hospital personnel.

City Officials Caution Use of Air Guns Within Slaton City Limits

City officials this week asked parents and children alike to be more cautious in the firing of air guns within the City Limits.

Mayor L. B. Wootton stated that numerous complaints have been received by city officials and the Slaton Police Department concerning the shooting of air guns.

A city ordinance expressly prohibits the shooting of fire arms, including air guns, on or across

streets and alleys, in public parks, or near buildings.

The complaints have cited the killing of birds, and in some instances, pets.

Shooting of air guns, according to terms of the ordinance, Wootton said, would be limited to shooting within your own property, while within the City Limits.

Violation of the ordinance can result in a fine of \$100 upon conviction.



"Campus Corner"

By Beverly Bland

Monday night at the high school auditorium the FHA held their annual Christmas party where the members exchange gifts.

The Band Banquet will be held tonight at the Spur Restaurant in Lubbock. Speaker of the evening will be Robert Hall Davis, President of the School Board. There will be approximately 120 people at the feast.

Coleman Tourney

The Slaton Tigers are on their way to an exciting season with their second place trophy won in the Coleman tourney last week end.

In the first game they met Eldorado and topped them with a 62 to 43 score. Douglas Corley ripped up 23 points for the Tigers while Larry White followed close with 18. This win put them in the semi-finals where they challenged Fredricksburg with a third quarter score of 29 up. In the last 15 seconds of the game Fredricksburg had a one point lead but Jerry Hogue picked up a stray ball and made the score 37 to 36 for Slaton.

In the finals Slaton played Coleman and lost 70 to 45. The Tigers hustled but Coleman had a great rebounding power and sharp shooters. White topped the game with 13 points and Corley came up with 10.

Corley and Phil Pearson made the all-tournament team and all players on the first two teams were given awards. The coaches of the winning teams were also given awards, Coach John Taylor receiving an electric shaver.

Besides the Tiger team and Coach Taylor, Coach Ehrler and his son, Russ, also made the trip.

Frenship games

Girls A & B; Boys A

Slaton took three games from Frenship Tuesday night with the girls B team leading by a 28 to 22 victory. High scorer for the squad was Pat Schillings, scoring 12 and Frances Bell and Gail Huser hitting nine and seven respectively.

The second game of the night was exciting with the Tigerettes coming up with a 56 to 48 margin over the Kittens. The Frenship team has beaten Slaton in two games this year, one being in the New Deal tourney.

Deal tourney.

Alma Winn led the sextette to victory with 21 points; Beverly Bland and Linda Smith had 18 and 15 in that order. Laura Horn hit 38 for Frenship.

Defense for Slaton was Beth Lowry, Sunny Mudgett, Winnie Mc-

Graw, and Betty Green.

The boys' game was close with a 54 to 53 margin for Slaton. In the last two minutes of the game Frenship was seven points in the lead but the Tigers picked up to tie the game and Jerry Hogue made a free throw after the game was over.

Dickie Thomas scored high with 13 points closely followed by Doug Corley, 12 and White with 10. Stapleton hit 14 for Frenship.

Many After-Holiday Uses for Family Tree

There are a number of uses to which you can put your Christmas tree after it has served its purpose in the home.

You can cut off the longer branches and "plant" them as windbreaks to protect outdoor plantings such as low-growing boxwood, azalea, yew, rhododendron and juniper. Little teepees can be built around exposed shrubs and tender plants. This will protect them from biting, drying winds and prevent snow and ice from accumulating and bending the plants out of shape.

Other branches curved end up over flower beds when the ground is exposed will prevent heaving of soils during alternate freezing and thawing. Heaving may force bulbs and roots of perennials from the ground.

The entire tree may be used as a bird feeder in the back yard. It may be either anchored securely or fastened to a fence. Pieces of suet tied to its branches and a container of water nearby will provide a constant supply of food for your feathered friends.

Sending Cards Is Old Holiday Tradition

The custom of sending Christmas cards has grown so popular through the years that each year an average of one and one-half billion cards are mailed.

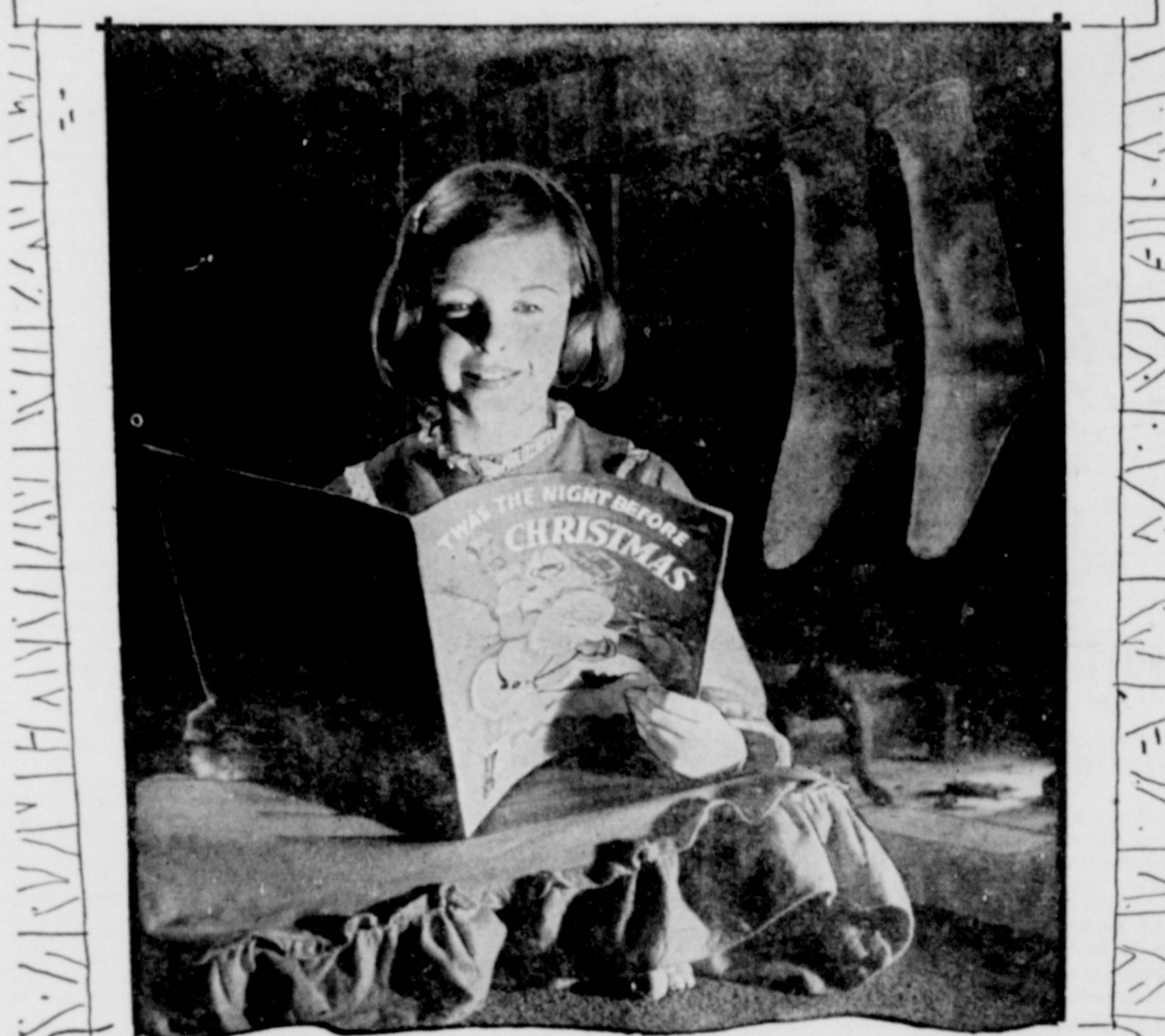
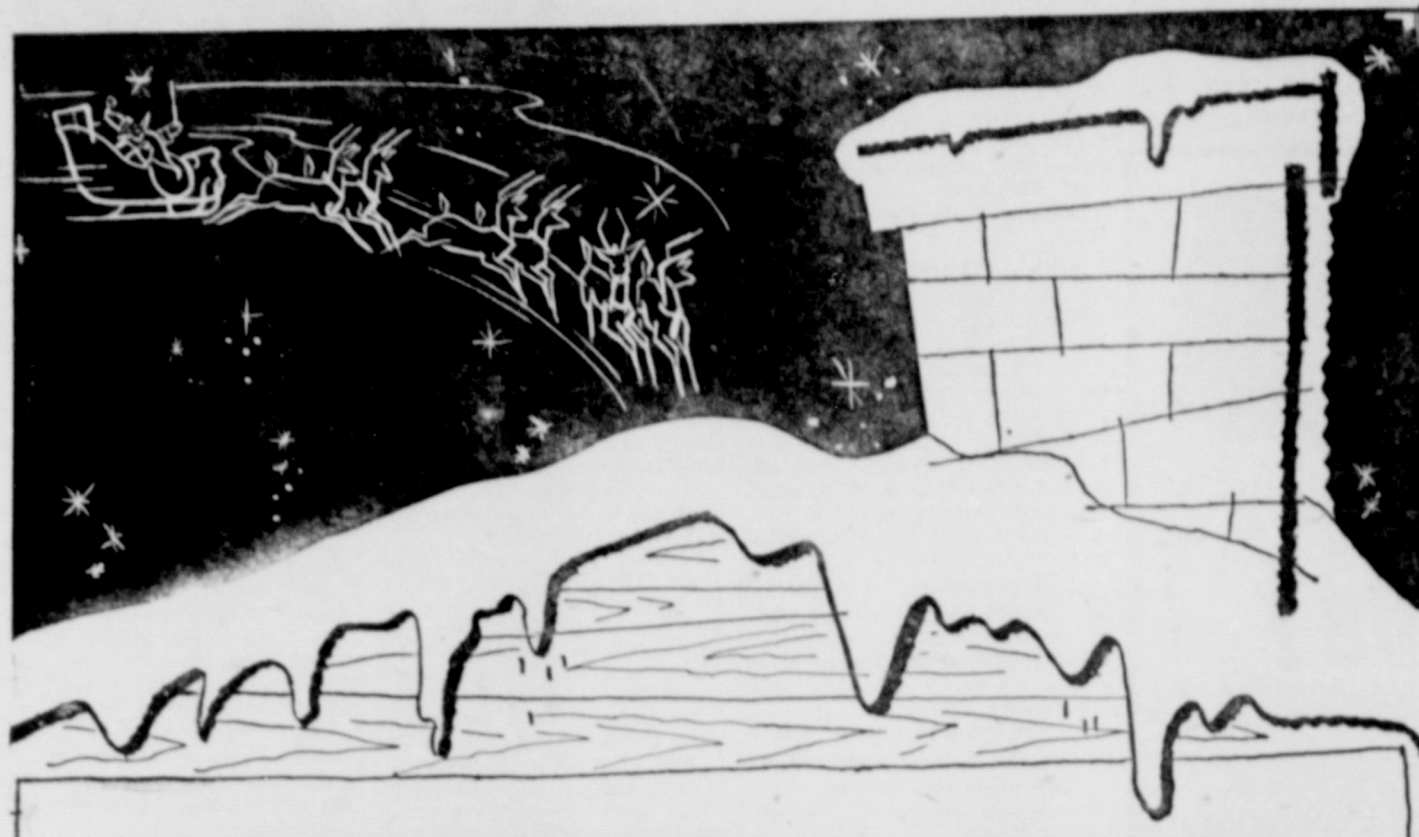
Some historians suggest that the idea of sending Christmas cards originated with school boys away from home, who wrote their letters on fancy paper and in fancy writing.

William Egley sent out a Christmas greeting on a fancy card in 1842 which showed his artistic and engraving talent. The card carried the message, "A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year."

In 1846, Henry Cole, a middle class Englishman, sent Christmas cards which depicted a Victorian family gathered at the festive board and which carried the message "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to You."

The cards brought fame and popularity to Henry Cole, but it was two decades before Christmas cards were sold generally.

Between four and six grades of petroleum fuel have to be stocked to service all types of aircraft using major international airports.



What magic Christmas holds for children . . . Santa Claus and sugar plums and wonderful, glittering dreams! May you recapture the enchantment of the Yuletide Season, and may all your fondest hopes and dreams come true at Christmas!

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CHRISTMAS WITHOUT CHRIST? What kind of a Christmas would that be? It's a good feeling we get after reading the Christmas Story from the Bible. His glasses and hands resting on his Bible, J. W. Hood, long-time Slaton resident, pauses after having read the Christmas Story once again. One of Slaton's pioneer residents who long has been active in civic and religious affairs, Hood lives at 300 W. Crosby.

In the Spirit of Christmas



A FEATHER IN SLATON'S CIVIC HAT

Slaton's Ministerial Alliance is to be commended for their efforts in sponsoring Slaton's Christmas Parade. Activities such as this are certainly a boost to a town's Civic Pride.

To undertake a task so large, and to put it over in such a commendable way adds a feather to Slaton's "Civic Hat." Any effort which will bring to town some 4,000 to 5,000 people is certainly worthwhile.

The Slaton High School Band, the Reese Air Force Band, and the other organizations which took part in the Parade did much to add to the efforts of Slaton merchants in reviving the spirit of Slaton townspeople this year. The parade, along with decorations such as are displayed throughout the town show Slaton to be the civic-minded town it is capable of being.

EXCESSIVE GIFTS

The law against excessive campaign contributions by one man is being widely evaded. How this is done has been explained to a Senate subcommittee by Prof. Alexander Heard of the University of North Carolina.

Tickets to fund-raising dinners are sometimes paid for by a wealthy giver. Some business men make hotel suites, airplane service and even stamp machines available to political organizations. They often place advertisements in political publications. Corporations do these things too, though they are forbidden by law from making direct political contributions. Yet they have been known to give bonuses to executives with the understanding that at least part of the increase will be donated for use in a political campaign.

Some of these loopholes might be stopped by changes in the law. The only real deterrent, however, is the spread of the feeling that it is proper to limit contributions by the rich, and bad citizenship to try to get around the restrictions written into law.

DIM VIEW OF SCIENCE

A recent educational-preference sampling of 15,000 American high school students made by Purdue university has some disquieting aspects. The youngsters placed atomic scientist at the bottom of a list of 10 occupations they would prefer.

It would seem from this—and the sampling represented a wide cross-section of American youth—that the challenge of the atomic era has not gotten through to the rising generation. They would prefer to be storekeepers, mechanics and salesmen.

One of the surprising results of the poll was the relatively high percentage of students—14 per cent in all—who believe there is something inherently "evil" about science. Another nine per cent believe that you can't be a scientist and be honest. And about one-quarter of the students think that scientists are a little bit "odd."

Purdue's high school poll shows clearly that science needs to do a public relations job. And it is in the national interest that such a job be done immediately and effectively. In a scientific, technological civilization—and that's what we have—we simply can't afford such attitudes in the citizens of tomorrow. A nationwide science-selling program in the high schools seems to be in order.

POLIO WON'T WAIT

Announcement of a new type of poliomyelitis vaccine that can be taken by mouth and may give lifetime immunity has led to confusion. Parents and others are asking whether it might not be wise to delay vaccination until the new method is perfected.

Two things argue strongly against delay. In the first place, Dr. Albert B. Sabin's new vaccine has not yet been fully tested. Anyone who waits until that has been done faces a long period without protection against a disease that is no respecter of persons. Besides, the vaccine may not prove to be as good as it now promises to be. Medical opinion differs. Only tests will tell.

In the second place, the Salk vaccine which already has given protection to millions is available in substantial quantity. Many persons who have not yet been vaccinated can now get this protection. If the Sabin vaccine later proves to be superior, those who have had the Salk shots can still take the other. Meanwhile, they will have had at least partial immunity.

Ignoring the best vaccine now available while waiting for some perfect, though as yet unproven, vaccine is foolish. The conclusion is obvious: Everyone who can get the Salk vaccine now should do so without further delay.

It might be a good idea, when weighing the virtues of a candidate, to consider not what he is likely to do for you, but what he will do for the country.

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TREE OF ENDLESS GIFTS



STRENGTH FOR THE WEEK

PEACE ON EARTH

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will to men." Luke 2:14 This passage of Scripture has erroneously been interpreted to mean that the Lord had come into the world to make peace between the warring nations of the world.

He IS coming to do just that, but this announcement to the Judean shepherds by the heavenly host did not have any such meaning. As Christ Himself later states, "Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword." Matt. 10:34.

This proclamation in the ears of these shepherds meant that their lambs would no longer be needed for temple sacrifices, for God had provided Himself a Lamb, One Who by the sacrifice of Himself would make peace, not between warring nations, but between the

individual sinner and his God. "He is our peace." Eph 2:14. "Having made peace through the blood of his cross." Col. 1:20. This is the peace of which the angels spoke as their song filled the night.

There is not even the shadow of a suggestion of a hint in Scripture that peace will come to this warring world through the Golden Rule nor through the preaching of the Gospel of the cross. Even to

talk about peace on earth while the cross casts its accusing shadow on it is to testify to spiritual blindness. So long as human nature is at enmity with God, a belief in lasting peace is worse than childish, and wholly without excuse for those who have an open Bible.

There can be no world peace until He comes Who is the Prince of Peace and overthrows the combination of man and devil, execut-

Rotarians Hear Swanner on Banking, Finance

H. T. Swanner, local banker, spoke to Slaton Rotarians Thursday on the subject of "Banking and Finance." Swanner was introduced by Melvin Kunkel.

"Most people that come to a banker for advice actually just want him to agree to a decision that they have already made," Swanner said.

Continuing, he stated that the dollar today is worth just fifty cents when compared with its value in 1939. "The demand for money is greater than the supply.

"Inflation hurts everyone, but the effect is greatest on persons living on income from pensions, or fixed incomes.

"Banking has the largest requirements of nearly any other profession," Swanner said. A banker must know about farming if he is to make sound loans to farmers. Likewise, he must know something about any business when that business man requests a loan.

Visiting Rotarians included A. E. Quest and Ryan Myers, both of Lubbock. Richard Perry of Slaton was a visitor.

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Rev. R. C. Wetzel
Pastor
Bible Baptist Church



Mr. and Mrs. Pete Wilhoit and Mr. and Mrs. Pet eKing attended the cinerama, Seven Wonders of The World, in Dallas Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. McCook visited in Miami, Texas over the weekend in the home of Mrs. McCook's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Graham.

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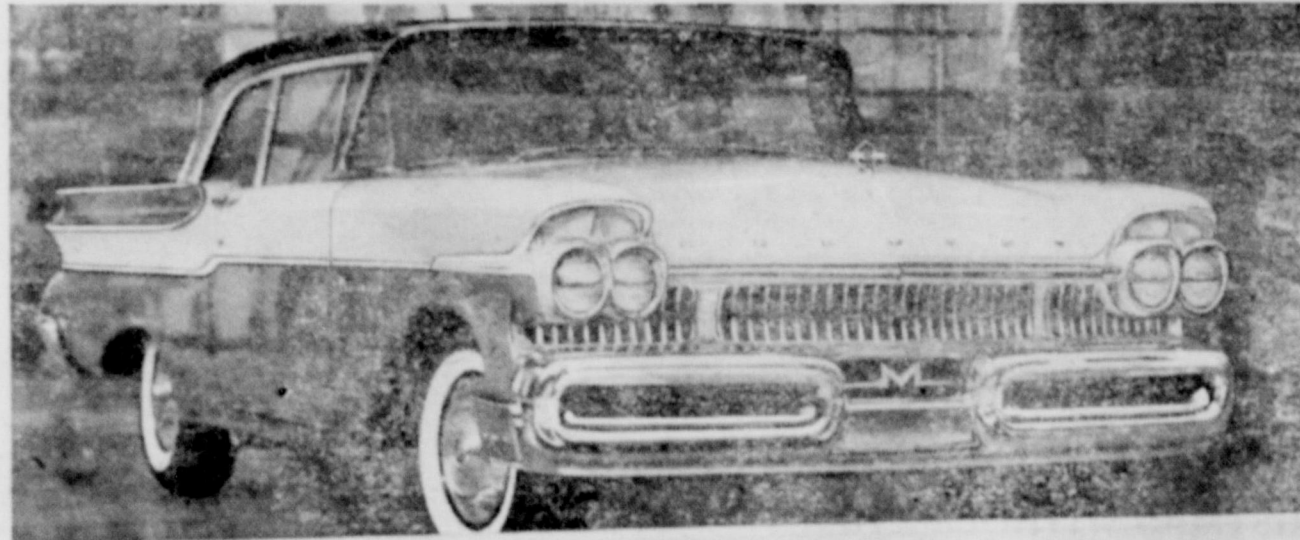
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Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Haynes and son, Bob, of Amarillo and former residents of Slaton visited here Saturday in the homes of Mr and Mrs. T. P. Keane and Mrs. Geo. Marriott.

It takes 10 inches of snow to equal an inch of rain.

Hearing on Proposed Slaton Radio Station Postponed Until Dec. 28

The Federal Communications Commission has postponed action on the proposed Slaton radio station until Dec. 28, according to Bill Harrell, partner in the application.

A hearing was originally scheduled in Washington D. C. for Dec. 17. The application calls for a radio station to operate on 1050 kilocycles in Slaton.

"We are very optimistic about the possibility of Slaton receiving the grant," Harrell said.

Transmitter site for the station will be located one-quarter mile west of the Englewood cemetery on the Woodrow farm-to-market road. Offices and studios will be located in the downtown area, if suitable space can be found, Harrell said.

Santa Fe's 1957 Calendars Feature Navajo Painter

"Navajo Sandpainter" is the subject of Santa Fe Railway's 1957 calendar painting, now being distributed by the railroad.

Painted from life last summer in an Indian hogan in the Navajo country of Eastern Arizona, the work shows a tribal medicine man fashioning a likeness of the "Crooked Snake Woman," used when a person is ill due to witchcraft.

E. Martin Henning, who resided at Taos, N. M., at the time of his death, shortly after completion of the painting, was the artist. Acclaimed by collectors and contemporary American artists as a leading Indian portrait painter, Henning once served as an instructor in oil painting at the Art Institute of Chicago.

Bea Sloan of Dallas will fly to Lubbock where she will be met by her sister Mrs. H. F. Martens, Mr. Martens and family and together they will spend the Christmas holidays in Amarillo with Mrs. Martens and Miss Sloan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Sloan.

James Hayes returned home Wednesday for the Christmas holidays. James, the son of R. O. Hayes, attends New Mexico Military Institute at Roswell. He will return to school on January 6.

Tarleton Senior Named Member of TSC Honor Guard

Buddy Sexton, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sexton of Slaton, has been selected as a member of Tarleton State College's Honor Guard. Sexton is a senior student at Tarleton.

According to Captain Richard H. Durr, associate professor of military science and tactics, the Honor Guard is a select group from the Wainwright Rifles, Tarleton's drill team.

James Madison agreed to declare war on Great Britain in 1812, if elected president.



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Most experts expect a booming adult toy market to make this a record year for manufacturers and sellers of toys and games. For several years, toy makers have been catering to the hobbyist and the "over 65" age group and now they find themselves with a toy market that is brisk at both ends of the age group.

Today's adult who works, and the elder who has retired, have plenty of leisure time on their hands and each year hundreds take up such hobbies as miniature shipbuilding, model railroading, or the less strenuous word or card games.

Some of the grown-up items on the market for the last year's top toy selling Christmas season included a \$10 scale model kit of the liner S.S. United States, "HO" gauge electric trains, model power boats, pool tables, shuffleboard sets, and an endless list of word games.

Biggest volume item in the adult toy field are the word games and the increased popularity has been so marked that within the past year two manufacturers doubled their plant capacity for producing games.

The toy makers have no intention of forgetting the nearly 50 million youngsters under 14 who are their principal market, but they are cultivating the "over 65" group—and their reasoning is simply that the older age group has more money to spend and is more interested in finding ways to occupy time.

Some manufacturers of "do-it-yourself" tools and gadgets are cashing in on the adult toy market by putting models of their products on the toy counters. Among items in this category last Christmas were a "mobile" loudspeaker, an intercom set, and a hand drill. Plenty of these were sold to grown-ups who put them to practical use.



Christmas Customs From Many Peoples

The observance of Christmas in the United States, is a combination of customs which have come to us from Germany, England, Italy, Turkey, and many other countries, customs which have been combined into a beautiful and varied observance.

Christmas customs, combined with a proper association of the spiritual nature of the observance, gives the real meaning of Christmas and the universal message it holds for all mankind, "Peace on earth—good will to men!"

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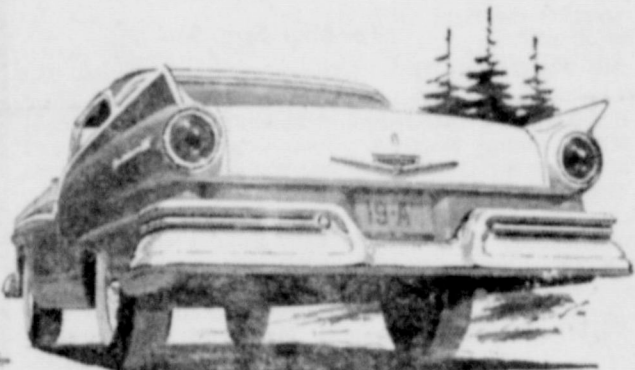
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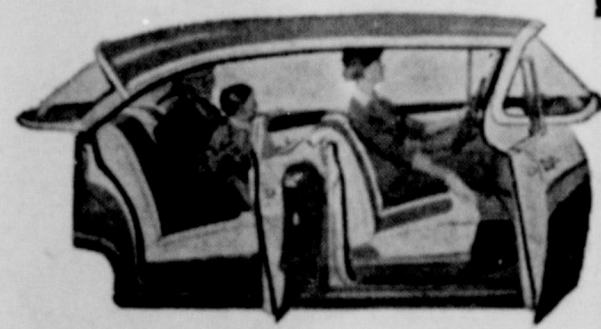
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Poinsettia Plant Can Be Kept for Next Christmas

The poinsettia, long a most popular Christmas plant, is one of a group of plants known as short day plants because it will bloom only in the season of the year with the shortest day length periods, preferably 10 hours or less. That is why it is always in bloom during the Christmas season and not during the summer.

The so-called blooms are really leafy bracts which color up a brilliant red. The true flowers are the small insignificant yellowish cups found in the center of the whorl of red bracts.

Poinsettias require regular watering—every day if necessary—but not excessive watering. They should be placed where they will get a maximum amount of daylight and sunshine. Day temperatures should be about 70-72 degrees and night temperatures should never be allowed to drop below 60 degrees.

Your poinsettia need not be discarded after the holiday season is over. To keep your plant until next year, place it in the basement or some other dry place, where there is no danger of it freezing. Water it very little, if at all, allowing the soil to dry up. Next May bring the plant out, cut the stem back about two-thirds, wash the old soil off the roots and re-pot in new soil. Softwood cuttings taken in July and rooted will give you good Christmas blooms.

Best Wishes

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Friday, December 21, 1956

For Sale

FOR SALE—32' 1952 Travelite trailer house, 2-bedroom, refrigerated air conditioning, 9 x 20 aluminum awning. Phone VA 8-3281, 150 S. Second. 6-1tc

FOR SALE—3-bedroom home, fenced-in back yard, 905 W. Dickens, phone VA 8-3736. 9-1tc

FOR SALE—Our home at 1050 W. Lubbock, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, den and double garage, with central heat and air conditioning, located on 100-ft. corner lot, the house is carpeted throughout, all drapes, dishwasher and garbage disposal included in sale price, can give possession January 1. Call J. C. Strange, VA 8-3372 or VA 8-3651. 8-1tc

FOR SALE—1950 4-door custom Ford with all extras, clean. See at 235 E. Scurry st. or call VA 8-3388. 9-1tp

FOR SALE—5 rooms and bath, will take good car or pickup in trade or will rent, available about January 1. 200 S. 1st, phone VA 8-3279. 7-4tc

FOR SALE—Dining room suite, mahogany, drop leaf Duncan Phyfe extension table, 6 chairs and 2 corner cabinets to match; also Frigidaire, Imperial model electric range, used two months. Call VA 8-4302 or VA 8-3097. 9-2tc

FOR SALE—2 fresh milch cows, Raymond Henzler, 2 miles west of Slaton, call VA 8-4049. 8-2tp

FOR SALE—White turkeys, dressed or on foot; also pheasant, chicken fryers and pullets. Phone VA 8-4043. 9-2tc

FOR SALE—Three 7 1/2 horsepower single phase motors and two 5 horsepower 4 miles south and 1 mile west of Southland, N. E. Denton. 8-2tp

FOR SALE—1 1/2 horse jet pump, also 120-gallon tank. See M. P. Gentry, Slaton, rt. 1, phone VA 8-4091. 9-2tp

FOR SALE—DeKalb hybrid sorghum, place your order today. Huser Hatchery. 8-2tc

FOR SALE—Black and white toy Boston screwtail male puppy. Can be seen at 410 W. Dickens. 8-2tc

FOR SALE—Hens and fryers, dressed or on foot, and kiln-dried sweet potatoes. Jesse Brasfield, phone VA 8-3340. 7-4tp

FOR SALE—Bendix Economatic washer, good condition. Call VA 8-3534. 8-2tc

FOR SALE—DeKalb hybrid sorghum is 85% booked out, get your order in today. Huser Hatchery. 8-2tc

FOR SALE—Two-bedroom house, 320 East Panhandle street, \$3,500. See Cecil Self at Self Service Station. 5-1tc

For Rent

FOR RENT—3-room furnished apartment near West Ward school, 245 S. 15th, phone VA 8-3288. 9-1tc

FOR RENT—3-room apartment, private entrance, private bath, for adults only. Call VA 8-4623. 1-1tc

FOR RENT—3-room furnished house at 635 W. Scott, Mrs. George Albare, call at night, VA 8-4154. 9-1tc

FOR RENT—Front bedroom, private entrance, near bath; also bachelor apartment, private entrance. 325 South 9th, VA 8-3850. 7-1tc

FOR RENT—Small furnished house with carport, West Garza, C. C. Wicker, VA 8-3902. 1-1tc

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WANTED—Carpenter work, anything, cabinet, hang paper, install glass or file saws. VA 8-3694, M. B. Tate. 9-4tp

WANTED—Ironing to do in my home, 60c an hour. 140 S. 7th, Mrs. G. W. Bussell. 9-1tp

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THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF LUBBOCK NOTICE

PUBLIC AUCTION OF REAL PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE COUNTY OF LUBBOCK

NOTICE is hereby given that by virtue of one certain Order which the Commissioners' Court of Lubbock County, Texas, duly made, passed, and entered of record on the 10th day of December, A. D. 1956, George Green, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2, Lubbock County, Texas, was appointed a Commissioner within the meaning of Article 1577, Revised Civil Statutes, State of Texas, for the purpose of selling at public auction the following described real property belonging to said County of Lubbock:

All of Lots Nine (9) and Ten (10), Block Ten (10), South Slaton Addition to the City of Slaton, Lubbock County, Texas,

as shown of record on a map or plat of said addition recorded in the County Clerk's office of Lubbock County, Texas.

Said public auction will be conducted by said Commissioner at the North door of the City Hall of the City of Slaton, Lubbock County, Texas, between 2:00 and 2:30 P. M., on Friday, the 11th day of January, A. D. 1957. Conveyance of the property will be made to the highest bidder submitting a bid therefor by General Warranty Deed signed by said Commissioner in behalf of said County. The terms of said sale are cash or a duly certified Bank Cashier's check payable to said county. The County of Lubbock hereby reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids.

WITNESS MY HAND this 18 day of December, A. D. 1956.
DUDLEY BRUMMETT, County Judge of Lubbock County, Texas

(Published in The Slaton Slatonite December 21 and 28, 1956 and January 4, 1957.)

Sell it with a Want Ad.

'Cans for Christmas' Contributions Asked for Relief of Slaton's Needy

"Cans for Christmas" donations are now being accepted through contributions placed in boxes in Slaton grocery stores today through Monday.

The drive is being conducted through the Federated Church Relief program, which operates the Welfare Center.

Names of needy families are available to individuals, groups, and organizations, by calling Mrs. F. W. Tye at VA8-4586.

Foodstuffs placed in "Cans for Christmas" boxes will be distributed through the Welfare Center.

Most Children Want Simpler Type of Gifts

An early report from Santa reassures the fact that our younger generation isn't too much fazed by this electronic world in which we live today.

Although some precocious youngsters ask for the outlandish in toys when they write to Santa, the majority still request the old stand-bys—such things as red wagons, tricycles, balls and gloves for the boys and dolls and shoes for the girls.

It is indeed reassuring in this modern age to know that children still find security and happiness in the simpler things of life, the things that pleased us most when we were children ourselves.

Tax-Man Sam Sez:

When paying your income tax you want to remember that Texas is a community property state. It may come as a shock to your wife but she only gets half of what you and her together made. For tax purposes, in Texas the wife can only have half-not all.

If your wife worked and she files a separate tax return, she must show one-half of the community income of both husband and wife. She also takes credit for paying one-half the withholding tax. You can expect a tax audit if the wife files a separate tax return claiming a refund for the withholding tax she paid and then the husband files a joint return and does not include the wife's income and uses the wife's exemption. You can't do that.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Osborn and Ann of Odessa will be guests in the home of Mrs. Osborn's mother, Mrs. Fred Stottlemire, Christmas day.

Miss Beulah Ellison of Trenton is visiting here in the home of her sister, Mrs. J. M. Stephens, and Mr. Stephens.

R. A. Tanner of Lubbock visited here Tuesday afternoon in the home of his sister, Mrs. Beulah Stephens.

Mrs. J. F. Ducey and children of Houston are visiting here in the home of Mrs. Ducey's mother, Mrs. W. R. Greer.

Mrs. R. D. Merck spent Thursday in Symer visiting her mother, Mrs. Jack Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wilson of Lubbock spent Sunday evening with his brother, Elbert Wilson, and Mrs. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Shafer had as guests Sunday evening their nephew, Tommy Fondren, and his fiancée, Betty Hicks, both of Lorenzo. Mr. Shafer's brother, J. M. Shafer, and Mrs. Shafer also visited the A. R. Shafers on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Melcher visited in Lubbock Sunday in the home of Mr. Melcher's brother, Frank Melcher, and Mrs. Melcher.

Wanda Warren of Seagraves visited here Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Merck. Guenda, the Mercks' daughter, and Wanda were school mates in Seagraves before the Mercks moved to Slaton.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Brush of Petersburg visited here Monday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Robison. Mr. Brush was a member of the Slaton police force before moving to Petersburg where he is deputy sheriff.

CHRISTMAS— TIME OF JOY

Christmas—a time of joy and peace, tree lights, tinsel, and snow and time for renewal of that perennial cry, "Christmas is too commercial."

It's been said for years, and to a certain extent it has always been true. Many are too concerned with today's commercial world to have time for the observance of Christmas. Others are so busy buying presents, selling presents, and generally making Christmas an ordeal that they, too, are unable to place the emphasis where it rightly belongs—on the religious and spiritual level.

Yes, there is much about Christmas that is commercial, or rather that has been commercialized. Yet Christmas itself, and the spirit that belongs to the holiday, is always the same. As individuals, each "make" our own Christmas within our hearts. Our feelings, our motivations and our outward actions, weigh these well and you will know what Christmas means to you.

How often is it also said that Christmas belongs to the children. This is true, then the observance of Christmas would have been forgotten long ago. Tinsel and glitter, presents under the tree, stockings by the fireplace, this is the meaning of Christmas to the young in heart; but all these are merely adjunct to the true and significant meaning of Christmas; that on this day a child was born in Bethlehem and because of this birth mankind may hopefully strive for eternal salvation.

The true Christmas is not commercial, nor does it belong only to the young. Through faith, good will and charity do we enter into the proper observance of this great holiday and only the truly have boiled, the cynical, the greedy, and the disbelievers; only they through their own lack of virtue, are not a part of the true celebration of Christmas.

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'The Christmas Story' Presented by Junior High Choralettes Monday

"The Christmas Story" was the title of the Pageant presented at the Junior High School auditorium Monday, Dec. 17.

The pageant was under the direction of Mrs. M. G. Davis. Mrs. Sam Mullenax was accompanist, and Mrs. W. H. Legate assisted the director.

The "Choralettes," composed of 115 Junior High girls, participated in a candlelight processional, and made up the chorus used throughout the pageant.

Soloist included Sue Liles, Harriet Perkins, Nita Ward, Linda Walker, Dana Heaton, and Ann Wright. Carolyn Jo Rhodes was narrator.

Taking part in the Tableaux were Olivia Sanders as Mary; Arthur Sumrall as Joseph; Ann Hadcock as the Angel; James Harlan Wright, Don Edwards, and Phillip Fudge as the three Wise Men; and Johnny Clack, Tommy Claiborne, and Howard Hoffman as the Shepherds.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for the cards, flowers and food which were sent to us during our recent illness. We wish to especially thank the blood donors. God bless you all.

—Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Jones

Mrs. Buck Gossett of Post visited here Tuesday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Berkley.

Slaton Legionnaires, Auxiliary Participate in Veterans Hospital Christmas Gift Wrapping Project



Six members of the Slaton American Legion Post and the Legion Auxiliary spent Tuesday at the Big Spring Veterans Hospital wrapping Christmas packages for the Veterans to send to their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Peebles, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. White, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Dennis made the trip.

Each Christmas season the American Legion Auxiliary gathers up suitable articles and toys from the community which are sent to the Auxiliary Gift Shop in the Hospital. There the patients select gifts to be sent to their loved ones.

For patients confined to beds, gifts are placed on carts and taken through the hospital. Following their selection, Legionnaires and Auxiliary members gift wrap, box, address and mail the packages. Expense for the project is borne by the American Legion Auxiliary.

A party is held each Christmas Eve for patients, and each patient receives a gift. The party is sponsored annually by the American Legion Auxiliary.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Wild and their daughter, Mrs. J. E. Thompson, and her sons, Jimmie and Tommy, of Lubbock will leave Saturday for Dallas where they will spend Christmas with another daughter, Mrs. Robert L. Stone, Mr. Stone, and Sharron.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Middleton returned Saturday from Sulphur Springs where they had been called due to the death of Mr. Middleton's brother, G. W. Middleton 76 who died Wednesday and was buried Thursday in Sulphur Springs. Mr. Middleton had been ill for some time. He is survived by his wife, 1 daughter one granddaughter, three sisters and two brothers.

SILENT NIGHT...

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Mrs. A. L. Clifton had as guest over the week end her brother, Paul Van Dyke, of Anton. Her daughter, Nancy, arrived home Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays. She is a student at McMurry.

Mrs. J. B. Winchester, Dow, Ken, and Brad left Wednesday to visit Mr. Winchester who is a patient in the Veterans Hospital in McKinney.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Meadow will leave Saturday for Pilot Point to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Meadow's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Hammonds.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Richardson of Hale Center visited here Wednesday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Richardson.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Middleton for the Christmas holidays will be their son, Maurice Middleton, Mrs. Middleton and son, Tracy of Tulsa, Okla. and their daughter, Mrs. B. L. McCain, Mr. McCain and son, Gilbert of Odessa, and Mr. Middleton's sister, Mrs. Lenton Brunson, and Mr. Brunson of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Stribling will spend the Christmas holidays visiting Mrs. Stribling's father, O. J. Church in Oklahoma City, Okla. and Mr. Stribling's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stribling in Davenport, Okla.

MEMBERS OF THE American Legion Auxiliary decorated this tree in the clubhouse for the use of any group having parties there during the holiday season. Adding the final touches are, left to right: Mrs. George Green, president; Mrs. Fred Tudor, treasurer; Mrs. Carter Shaw and Mrs. Hazel Boyle, members. The tree was the auxiliary's Christmas project.



Dear Santa Claus,

We are two little boys, four and two and half years old. We have been good boys this year and we help mommie all we can.

Please bring us cowboy suits, two guns a piece, a band and I want a watch and bring Jim a train. Now don't forget Patti Jean she's our baby sister and we didn't have her last year when you came to see us. Bring her

some little soft toys to play with. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Love
Tom and Jim Melton

Dear Santa,

I want a record player (automatic) and an electric train with tracks. I want a football and a junior lineman's belt. I want a suburban pumper. I have been a good boy. I am 7 years old.

Gary Glassecock

Dear Santa,

Our names are Robert, age 2, and Rebecca, age 4, Ratliff. Rebecca wants a doll and doll clothes, also a doll suitcase. Robert wants two guns and two scabbards.

Thank you very much Santa.

Love,
Robert and Rebecca
Ratliff

Dear Santa Clause,

I won't a dump truck and a steam shovel. "Sissy" is writing this for me because I don't know how to write. She wants some records. Bring Mommy and Daddy something too. Please put some nuts and fruit in mine and "Sissy's" stockings.

Good bye,
Teddy Kidd

Dear Santa Claus

I want a ballerina doll, a baton and a cash register. Doll bed 755 So. 18th
7 years old
from Jane Clack.

Grandmother of Local Woman Buried Sunday

Funeral services were held Sunday, Dec. 16 at the Lums Chapel Baptist Church for Mrs. Maggie Lenora Brock, 84, of Littlefield. Mrs. Brock was the grandmother of Mrs. Gordon Davis of Slaton.

Mrs. Brock died Saturday, Dec. 15, in the home of a daughter, Mrs. Roy Hutson, of Littlefield.

Survivors include four sons, Alvin and Ruben, of Littlefield; Newton, Ardmore, Okla.; Heston, Dallas; five daughters, Mrs. Bertha Haney, Mrs. Ila Hutson, of Gene Autry, Okla.; Mrs. Eva McGill; Silasbee; Mrs. Gibson Smith, Duncan, Okla.; Mrs. Roy Hutson, Littlefield; four brothers, two sisters, 32 grandchildren, 49 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Davis and children of Slaton attended the services.

10 Jailed Over Week End

Chief of Police Bill Daniels this week reported 10 persons jailed over the week end on charges of drunkenness, disturbing the peace, and violation of the state liquor law.

Six calls of various nature were received during the same period.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim D. Campbell will spend the Christmas holidays in Whitesboro visiting in the home of Mrs. Campbell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Shoemaker.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am 6 years old I have been a good girl. I would like to have a baton for Christmas. A ballerina doll, a doll stroller, a fuzzy dog.

Sincerely
Jean Clack.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 6 years old and my name is Hobby. I would like a bicycle and boxing gloves. I have a big sister 9 years old and her name is Dee. She would like a Cindy Bride Doll and pink toe shoes.

I love you,
Hobby Chapple

Dear Santa,

I would like a table tennis set for Christmas. And don't forget the other boys and girls because they want toys too.

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Gene Eddings Home Scene of Party

The Vota Vita Class of Westview Baptist Church had their Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Gene Eddings Monday, Dec. 17.

Following a devotional by Mrs. Jay Gray, the group played games. Present at the party were: Mesdames J. E. Todd, Howard Armstrong, Estelle White, Ophie Cooper, Jim Fain, Gray, Claude Campbell, Earl Caldwell, Wesley Gentry, J. B. Smith, and Bill Clack.

Tiger Town Elects New Governing Body

New officers, directors, and sponsors were elected recently for Tiger Town, the local teenage organization.

Officers are as follows: President, Donnie Marsh; vice-president, Sammy Wilson; secretary, Nancy Mosley; and reporter, Dal Stanley. Kathy Smith and Dixie Clark are in charge of decorating and planning. The new board of directors consists of Paulette Dowell, freshman; Ronald Bagby, sophomore; Louise Moore, junior; and Dickie Thomas, senior.

Adult advisors are Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Kirksey, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Dowell, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd C. Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bagby, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith.

Revised Rules Now Effective
At a December 16th meeting of officers, directors, and advisors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Smith, rules were revised and decided upon as follows:

- All Slaton High School students must have a membership card.
- All ex-students and students of neighboring towns are welcome but they must pay a small fee.
- Sponsors reserve the right to refuse admittance to anyone if they see fit.
- Persons using or having intoxicants will not be admitted.
- Everyone in Tiger Town is expected to conduct themselves in good taste.
- All damaged property and broken records must be paid for by persons breaking them.

It was also decided that the record player and records would be loaned to no one without the consent of the board of directors.

New membership cards are being printed and will be on sale soon. They will be effective until September, 1957.

A Christmas party will be held at Tiger Town in the City Park Saturday, Dec. 22, at 8 p. m. The affair will be semi-formal.

Joe Schilling and Harold Steffens students at Assumption Seminary in San Antonio will arrive Friday to spend the Christmas holidays here with parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Schilling and Mr. and Mrs. John Steffens.

We will be Closed Monday and Saturday every week. Get your permanent now before Christmas. For appointment, dial VA 8-3495 Betty's Beauty Bar

Society

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Blue Bonnet Club Plans Banquet

Mrs. F. B. Tudor was hostess at the Blue Bonnet Club's Christmas party in her home Wednesday, Dec. 12.

Mrs. W. F. Blackerby, president, presided over the business session. Plans were made for their annual banquet to be held January 4 at 7:30 p. m. in the Clubhouse. They voted to donate \$10 to the newly organized welfare center.

Gifts were exchanged and club sisters were revealed.

Refreshments were served to Mesdames Roy Parks, Blackerby, Ford Stansel, Joe Teague Jr., R. C. Sanner, K. W. Campbell, Henry Jarman, Dudley Berry, Harold Wilson, B. G. Guinn, C. C. Wicker, A. L. Clifton, H. H. Edmondson, Dan Liles, Fannie Patterson, W. F. Davis, and L. T. Garland.

The next regular meeting will be January 9 in the home of Mrs. Guinn.



Born Dec. 15 to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Esparza, Slaton, in Mercy Hospital a girl weighing 7 pounds and 1 ounce.

Born Dec. 18 to Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Fannin, 305 E. Crosby, in Mercy Hospital a boy weighing 3 pounds and 15 ounces.

FONDY'S RETURN FROM EASTERN VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fondy returned recently from a trip through West Virginia and New York. In Mechem, West Virginia, they visited with Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Wysocki. Mr. Wysocki is an engineer on the B&O Railroad in Birmingham, New York they visited with the Grocki family. While in New York City they visited the Empire State Building, the Statue of Liberty, the United Nations Building, and attended the Ed Sullivan Show and the Garry Moore Show.

While in Fonda, New York, they checked on some family genealogy in the town's history book and visited with some members of the Fonda family. On the return trip they stopped in Sandusky, Ohio, to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Fox and family, their niece. They returned to Slaton through Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Reed will have as their guests Christmas Day their children, Perry Reed, Mrs. Reed and boys of San Angelo; Bill Reed of South America; Mrs. Luther Myers, Mr. Myers and children, Mrs. Ervin Roberts, Mr. Roberts and children, Ray Reed, Mrs. Reed and children, Wesley Reed, Mrs. Reed all of Slaton and one grandson of Tahoka.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Long and Sandra and Sandra's friend, Deen Jackson of New Deal, spent Sunday in Big Spring visiting with Mrs. Long's sister, Mrs. Tip Anderson.

Mrs. Bobby Douglas will leave by plane from Amarillo Saturday night to join her husband who is stationed in Stuttgart, Germany with the armed forces.

To My Friends

BOTH FAR AND NEAR
May The Blessings of Christmas Be with You and Through the New Year

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W. S. C. S. Has Program on "Human Rights"

The W. S. C. S. of the First Methodist Church met in the church sanctuary Tuesday, Dec. 11, at 9:30 a. m.

Mrs. Martin Collins led the lesson on "Human Rights." She was assisted by Mrs. Phil Brewer who told of the work of the local welfare center.

Rev. C. N. Wylie spoke on the work of the Mexican Mission which is sponsored by the Presbyterian Church with assistance from the Methodist Church.

Rev. J. B. Sharp discussed the proposed Student Loan Fund in the Methodist Church.

Annual Christmas Party

The W. S. C. S. had their annual Christmas party Tuesday, Dec. 18. Mrs. M. L. Germain gave a program illustrating the Christmas scene. She was assisted by Mrs. Calvin Lamb and Mrs. R. B. Lain who gave the scripture readings.

Mary Ann Klattenhoff, organist, accompanied Cherie Arrants as she sang Christmas carols.

The 24 members and 2 guests who were present exchanged gifts. Each member brought toys for the Slaton welfare center.

Twelve Churches Report 1,560 in Church School

Attendance at church schools in Slaton Sunday, Dec. 16, totaled 1,560 in the 12 churches which reported.

Churches reporting and their attendance was as follows:

First Christian	73
Church of God	52
First Methodist	303
First Baptist	413
Church of the Nazarene	89
Westview Baptist	241
First Presbyterian	81
Grace Lutheran	109
First Baptist Mission	86
Assembly of God	66
Pentecostal Holiness	50
Missionary Baptist	17

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Romines and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Walker will leave Sunday for O'Donnell where they will spend the Christmas holidays in the home of Mrs. Romines and Mrs. Walker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Simpson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Avent, Mrs. Ettie Mathis, and Mrs. Ruby Wood visited in Earth Sunday in the home of Mrs. Avent, Mrs. Mathis, and Mrs. Wood's brother, W. C. Macey, and family.

Sorority Dines at Lubbock Restaurant

The Kappa Kappa Iota sorority had their annual Christmas party Thursday night, Dec. 13, at the Spur Restaurant in Lubbock. Gifts were exchanged at the dinner.

Guests of the Slaton conclave were Mrs. Myra Ann Wallace, national president of Kappa Kappa Iota, and Mrs. R. A. Metcalfe, past state president. Both are members of the Alpha conclave in Lubbock.

Members of the sorority present at the dinner were: Mesdames W. C. Gilmore, Virgie Hunter, Maurice Kerr, Martha Brown, John C. McGraw, L. A. Reasoner, J. J. Hurst, John Taylor, Leonard Ehrler, and Jennie B. Nobles.

Athenians Have Progressive Dinner

The Athenian Study Club had their Christmas party Tuesday night, Dec. 18. It was a progressive dinner beginning with an appetizer in the home of Mrs. Weldon Meador.

Members and their husbands then went to Mrs. J. D. Perkins' home for a salad. The main course was at the home of Mrs. L. A. Reasoner. Co-hostess for the main course was Mrs. J. E. Eckert Jr. The M. G. Davis home was the scene for dessert.

Members brought toys to donate to a needy family and the welfare center.

Present at the dinner were: Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Bowman, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Cheatham, Mr. and Mrs. Surman Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Dawson, Mr. and Mrs. Eckert, Mr. and Mrs. George Harlan, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Jaynes, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Lain, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Martens, Mr. and Mrs. Meador, Mr. and Mrs. Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. Reasoner, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mullenax; and two new members and their husbands, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Brewer and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Nesbitt.

Girl Scouts Work On Clothing Badge

Girl Scout Troop 2 met in the home of Mrs. Byron Johnson, troop leader, Thursday, Dec. 13.

The scouts continued work on their clothing badges. Each wrote a list of things that would be appropriate in their wardrobe and would help to keep it in order.

Present were Lynda Shelton, Steffie Johnson, Marilyn Gilmore, Dora Tucker, Laura Isbell, and Annie Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McKey and family of Texas City will arrive here Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays in the home of Mr. McKey's uncle, J. E. Robertson, and Mrs. Robertson. They will also visit with their grandmother, Mrs. J. R. Robertson.

Clell Garman Has Birthday Party

Clell Garman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Garman, was honored on his fifth birthday with a party at his home Sunday, Dec. 16.

The guests were entertained with games.

Refreshments were served to the following: Sharon, Buddie, Donna, and Glen Jones of Lubbock; Patricia, Sue, Addie, and Vickie Rackler; Dwayne and L. E. Hinson of Levelland; Clell's brothers and sister, Roger, Mike, and Dixie; Mrs. Alcy Selph, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jones, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Hinson, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Rackler, and Clell's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Gartman, of Hart.

Church Workers Have Party

Teachers in the primary department of the First Baptist Church had a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Bobby Edmondson Thursday, Dec. 13. Gifts were exchanged. Refreshments were served to the following: Mesdames Wayne Liles, E. H. Ham, Lynn Perdue, Luke Sloan, Carter Shaw, C. H. Norris, and Chester Wilson.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sanders during the Christmas holidays will be their son, Wallace Sanders, Mrs. Sanders and son, Larry, of Denver, Colo. and their daughter, Mrs. Donnie Osburn, Mr. Osburn and family of San Bernadino, Calif.

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CHRISTMAS IN THE CITY . . . A glistening tree, dim figures in the night, and the shadowy background of tall buildings—add these the glittering sparkle of snow and then you'll know that Christmas has come to the city.



PERFECT ANGELS . . . Being good is always easier when it gets near to Christmas time and these little ladies, dressed for the role of angels in a Christmas pageant, are certainly taking their role to heart.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following article was received from the Texas Highway Patrol office in Lubbock. It voices an appeal from the Highway Patrol for safe, careful driving during the Christmas and New Year holidays.

The Texas Highway Patrol wishes each and every one of you a very Merry Christmas and safe holiday driving. At the same time, we ask you to help in seeing that Santa Claus gets to every home in Texas. We had much rather see the gay holiday wreaths hanging on your front door than to see a black wreath of mourning. Drive safely—Obey traffic rules.

Dangerous December
The month of December is a dangerous period for highway travel in Texas. December always produces the greatest number of traffic accident fatalities. Two hundred and sixty-three persons lost their lives during that 31 day period last year. Think what a sad Christmas this must have been for so many families.

The Texas Highway Patrol is going to "step up the attack" on all moving traffic violations during the 12-day holiday period, Dec. 21 through Jan. 1. We are asking the

motoring public to "back the attack" by obeying traffic laws, by being a courteous driver, by watching for pedestrians crossing the streets or highways and by reporting drinking drivers.

115 to Die
An estimated 115 persons will die in traffic accidents on our Texas highways between Dec. 21 and Jan. 1. All available State Police will be on duty long hours, patrolling the highways during this period for the purpose of removing the dangerous driver from the road. You can help us make the highways safer by just using common sense in driving. Let's unite our efforts and make this a deathless holiday on the South Plains.

Since Jan. 1, 1956, 123 persons have lost their lives in the 21 counties that make up District 6 of the Highway Patrol. This is 11 more than were killed in the district for the entire year of 1955. Again we urge you to "back the attack" by driving safely.

The License & Weight Division and the Motor Vehicle Inspection Division are teaming their inspectors with Texas Highway Patrolmen and will be assigned to regular patrol duty during the holiday period. We hope by using extra personnel and working longer hours to stop or at least cut down on the slaughter of our citizens on Texas streets and highways. Won't you do your part also and let's all be around to see Christmas 1957.

Tax-Man Sam Sez:

Farmers ought to get the "1956 Farmers Tax Guide" and start studying how to prepare their 1956 tax return come January 1st. You can get it from your County Agent, and Internal Revenue Service office, or by writing the District Director, Internal Revenue Service, 2101 Pacific Avenue, Dallas, Texas. This is profitable reading as it gives a lot of hints on record keeping as well as telling you how to pay the tax you owe. Uncle Sam wants you to pay all you owe but not more than you owe. A lot of farmers need to learn how to pay self-employment tax and qualify for social security. This booklet tells what kind of income qualifies for self-employment.

Mickie Ward, a student at McMurry College is spending the Christmas holidays here with her mother, Mrs. Geneva Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Sanner spent the week end in El Paso visiting in the home of their daughter, Mrs. M. B. Francis, Mr. Francis and family.

The Rev. and Mrs. Marshall Stewart will leave Monday for Abilene to spend the Christmas holidays in the home of Rev. Stewart's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Stewart.

Bill Reed, who is employed by the Thomas Oil Company in South America, is visiting here in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Reed.

Dianne Farmer of Post visited here Friday with Alma Reese Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schniers will leave Sunday for San Angelo to spend the Christmas holidays in the home of Mr. Schniers' parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Schniers. They will be accompanied by Mrs. Schniers' mother, Mrs. A. J. Buxkemper, who will visit in Van Court with her daughter, Mrs. Ben Book, Mr. Book and family.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stokes over the holidays will be their son, Gerald, of Dallas and their daughter, Mrs. W. H. Mudgett, Mr. Mudgett and children, of Sudan. Mrs. Stokes' sister, Miss Marie McDonald, of Big Spring, and her brother, Ross McDonald, Mrs. McDonald, and daughter of Lamesa.

S. A. Thompson of Amarillo is visiting here in the home of his son, Wade Thompson, and Mrs. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Ritchey visited in Halls Friday in the home of their son, Lewis Ritchey, Mrs. Ritchey and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Self Jr. spent the week end in Bomarton in the home of Mrs. Self's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cunningham.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Layne Jr. and son of Grand Haven, Mich. will arrive here Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. Layne's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Layne.

June Handley of Amarillo and Robert Cole of Wabash, Indiana, were married in the St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Amarillo Tuesday, December 18th. June is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Handley, former residents of the Slaton community. Among those attending the wedding from here were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kitten and Joe Jr., Clem Kitten Sr., Glenda Lou Kitten, Pauline Miller, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Miller.



TOM AND TED SWANNER stand beside a symbol of the work that made Ted "Jaycee of the Month." He is chairman of the extension committee that deals with extending the city limits of Slaton. Anyone interested in this project should contact Ted.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Corley and children will spend the Christmas holidays visiting Mrs. Corley's mother, Mr. W. W. Helms, in Eldorado, Okla. and Mr. Corley's mother, Mrs. Fannie Corley in Mangum, Okla. They will also visit other relatives and friends in Eldorado and Mangum.

Calendar Of Coming Events

- Thursday, Dec. 20**
L. A. to B. of R. T., 9 a. m.
Rotary Club, 12 noon, Clubhouse
High School Band Banquet, 7 p. m., Leslie's Chicken Shack, Lubbock
Ruth Class, Westview Baptist Church, Christmas party, 7:30 p. m., Clubhouse.
- Friday, Dec. 21**
Christmas Holidays begin at Public Schools
Slaton vs. Crosbyton, Boys, Girls, and Girls B, 6 p. m., there.
- Saturday, Dec. 22**
Tiger Town, 8 p. m., City Park
- Sunday, Dec. 23**
Attend the Church of your choice
Reunion of E. H. Ahrens Family, 9 a. m.-5 p. m., Clubhouse
- Tuesday, Dec. 25**
Merry Christmas
- Wednesday, Dec. 26**
V. F. W., 7:30 p. m., V. F. W. Hall

Slaton Tigers Take Second Place at Coleman; Two on All-Tourney Team

Ancients Believed Christmas Greenery Held Certain Powers

The holly and mistletoe used today for Christmas decorations found their way into early festivities because of certain virtues attributed to them by the ancients.

The Druids were the first to use mistletoe, which they called "Heal-all." They believed the plant to have great curative powers and gradually assigned to it all manner of magic powers.

Each year, about the same time that we now celebrate Christmas, their priests would have high platforms built around the sacred oak trees, which, in a manner of speaking, were "hosts" to the mistletoe. Robed in ceremonial vestments, the priests ascended these platforms, and with golden sickles, cut away the mistletoe.

The Saxons also prized it and it was they who gave to it the name of mistletoe.

Eventually the plant became to be known as a symbol of peace. Opposing warriors who met near it would call a truce, and it was customary to hang it over entrance doors so that those who entered would be assured of friendship.

Today, in both England and America, holly and mistletoe are associated with Christmas as invariably as are the plum pudding and Christmas tree.

MINCE PIES, SO LONG A PART OF OUR CHRISTMAS TRADITION, ORIGINALLY HAD A DEEP, SYMBOLIC SIGNIFICANCE. THE FIRST



MINCE PIES WERE PATTERNED IN OBLONG SHAPE, AFTER THE MANGER IN WHICH CHRIST WAS BORN. THE CRUST REPRESENTED THE GOLD BROUGHT BY THE THREE WISE MEN, THE MANY SPICES, THE FRANKINCENSE AND MYRRH.

Hustling all the way, the Tiger basketball squad won two games and lost one to take second place at the Coleman Tournament, Dec. 14 and 15.

The Tigers played their first game Friday afternoon, Dec. 14, against Eldorado and won, 62-43. Top scorer in this game was Doug Corley with 23 points. Right behind Corley was Larry White with 18 points. By winning this game, Slaton advanced to the semi-finals, where they met Fredricksburg. The Tigers held a five-point halftime lead, but at the end of the third quarter, the game was tied, 29-29. Late in the final period, Fredricksburg took a one-point lead, but with 15 seconds remaining in the game, Jerry Hogue picked up a loose ball and hit a jump shot to give Slaton the lead. The final score in this exciting game was 37-36.

Saturday night, Slaton met Coleman for first place. The Tigers enjoyed a short-lived two-point lead in the beginning seconds of the game, but from there on, Coleman dominated the game with their sharp shooting and rebounding power. When the horn ended the game, the final score read 70-42. While White was high-point scorer for Slaton with 13 points, and Corley was runner-up with 10.

Presentation of the awards came after the game. First place went to Coleman, second place went to Slaton, and ACC High School won third. San Sabo was awarded fourth place. Next, the all-tournament team was announced. Two Tigers, Corley and Phil Pearson, made this select group, along with eight others. All players on the first two teams were given individual awards. Jimmy Norris of Coleman was selected the most outstanding player of the tournament. The last awards went to the coaches of the first four teams. Coach John Taylor received an electric shaver.

Fifteen made the trip. They were: Coach Taylor, Coach "Junior" Ehrler, little Russ Ehrler, Pearson, Corley, White, Hogue, Dickie Thomas, Dal Stanley, Tommy McClanahan, Lavoy Reed, Don Wright, Dale Gordon, Rodney Kitten, and Vic Huser.

—The Tiger's Cage

Robby Whitfill of Lockney is spending this week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Martin. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Whitfill will arrive Saturday to spend the holidays with Robby and the Martins. Mrs. Whitfill is the Martins' daughter.

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BOY, OH, BOY . . . If this isn't the biggest and brightest candle this youngster ever discovered, it will do until some future year when maturity will bring the deeper significance of this great holiday.

Bethlehem Basilica Among Oldest Churches

The Basilica of the Nativity at Bethlehem, constructed more than 1,620 years ago, is one of the oldest churches in Christendom.

As it stands today it represents the original building as erected by Emperor Constantine and restorations and additions made under Justinian.

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Greetings

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Slaton Student Named to Iowa State College Religious Week Committee

Student Committees at Iowa State College are in the midst of preparations for Religion in Life Week, Jan. 6-13.

Main speaker for this year's observance will be the Rev. Samuel M. Shoemaker, rector of Calvary Episcopal Church, Pittsburgh, Pa. Dr. Shoemaker has been selected by Newsweek Magazine as one of "Ten Greatest American Preachers," and is author of some 25 books.

Theme for the week is "Religion in Reality." Religion in Life Week is sponsored by Student Religious Council, and includes chapels, discussions, all-college convocations, and special events.

Harold Fox, Slaton, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Fox, has been appointed to the Chapel committee.

Sir Francis Drake was the first Englishman to sail around the world.

do you remember?

One Year Ago in Slaton
Taken from Dec. 23, 1955

Band Director Bill Townsend and 14 members of the high school band attended the 13th annual band clinic December 9-10 at Texas Tech.

Miss Louise Carolyn Griffin and Eugene Millard German were married in a candlelight service read by Rev. E. A. Todd of Plainview in Cooper Methodist Church of Woodrow Friday, Dec. 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Kunkel and daughter, Wanda, left Tuesday to spend the holidays visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Kunkel in Seguin and Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Richardson in Floresville.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Crabtree of Levelland visited Sunday with Mr. Crabtree's parents, the Rev. and Mrs. Elmer Crabtree.

Bobby Norris, who is with the 90th Replacement Battalion at Ft. Lewis, Wash., is home visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Norris. Bobby has a delay en route to Birmingham, Ala., on official business.

Mrs. Audean Nowell and daughter, Neutie Nan, attended the Nowell family reunion in Denver City last Sunday.

Dr. M. J. McSweeney spent from Thursday last week until Monday in Austin with his father, Dr. M. J. McSweeney Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Crim of Lubbock visited last week with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Melton.

Five Years Ago in Slaton
Taken from Dec. 21, 1951

Walter Heinrich received the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement near Sanyangni, Korea.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Belote, of Paducah expecting Dr. Belote's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bleote, of Paducah for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Clem Kitten will spend the Christmas holidays a

Hereford visiting the J. L. Hoffman and L. J. Kuper families.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Kenney for the Christmas holidays are their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Parise and two daughters of Seattle, Wash. Their son, Cpl. Alton Kenney, from Barstow, Calif., is expected home also.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Lanier of Washington, D. C., arrived Tuesday to visit Mrs. Lanier's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Gregory.

Ten Years Ago in Slaton
Taken from Dec. 20, 1956

Frank Todd, who is attending North Texas State College, Denton, will spend the Christmas holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Todd Sr.

John Burton, tenor, from Slaton will take part in the traditional Christmas presentation of Handel's oratorio, "The Messiah," when it is sung in the auditorium of Southwest Texas State College December 15.

Grace Haynes Guild of the Presbyterian Church was organized last Thursday evening in the home of Mrs. Mildred Lokey. It was named in honor of the District Presbyterian Missionary.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Bahon and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dawson all of Lubbock, and Mrs. Sallie Pinion, Mrs. Tom Walker and Lela spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Deaver.

Mrs. Gus Seal left Wednesday for Dallas to spend the Christmas holidays with her children.

Christmas: Our Great Holiday Began As Strictly Religious Festival

Although records indicate that the Christmas festival was spoken of in the fourth century as a custom of long standing, the exact age of the holiday is not known.

Christmas actually began as a strictly religious observance and was officially recognized in the fourth century as Christ's Mass, or the Mass of Christ. And it is quite significant to note that until this time it had been the custom of the church to celebrate the anniversaries of deaths, rather than births, so Christ's birthday was appropriately the first to be made an occasion for feasting.

It was many years after the first observance of Christ's Mass before gift-giving became a part of the festival season. The church finally condoned the practice, in remembrance of the Three Kings who had traveled far to present their gifts to the new-born Christ.

In other centuries, too, the feast of Christmas was to be the subject of controversy. In England, during the Reformation, many believed the undue jollity of Christmas day to be sacrilegious. The English Parliament, on December 24, 1652, ordered that "no observance shall be held of the five and twentieth day of December, commonly called Christmas day; nor any solemnity used or exercised in churches upon that day in respect thereof."

Naturally, the edict proved to be very unpopular with the masses of the people, but it had its effect and it was many years before Christmas was once again regarded as a holiday.

And England was not alone. The Puritans of Mass. bay colony had a law that imposed fines for observance of Christmas and Gov. Bradford once issued a statement publicly ridiculing certain young men who declined to work on Dec. 25, "ye day called Christmas."

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Happy Birthday

December 21: Mrs. Augusta Blume, Darrell Wiley, Mrs. C. D. Willis, Fred Walters, O. Z. Ball, Donna Joines, Mrs. Nora Harper, Ed McKinney, J. B. Wells Sr., Martha Elder, Delmar Roberts, and Glenna Payne.

December 22: Melvin Kunkel, Teddy Pricer, and Billy Snider.

December 23: Mrs. J. D. Blair, Mrs. E. A. Kercheval, Glenda Lou Kitten, and Marcus Crumbley.

December 24: Mrs. Claud Townsend, Mrs. L. T. Kincer, T. A. Turner, Mrs. R. J. Anders, Lloyd Jeffreys, Mrs. John E. Martin, and Lowell Merrell.

December 25: J. S. Edwards Jr., Otho Dee Dillard, Mrs. Louis Mosser, Jimmy Jeffreys, Miles Beard, Mrs. C. E. Hogue, and Michael Craig Brown.

December 26: Herman Schilling, Jeffie Johnson, Louise Moore, Mrs. Sam Shockelford, Mrs. Jim Sain, and C. E. McCoy.

December 27: Moel Lee Dickson, E. J. Kahlich, Mrs. Norbert Kitten, Mrs. E. E. Williams, and Mrs. Earl Reasoner.

Boys Rancher to Visit Home in Wilson Christmas

Joe Hewlett of Wilson will spend the ten day Christmas vacation from America's First Boys Ranch, Amarillo, in his home town. Joe is the son of J. P. Hewlett of Wilson.

Joe is looking forward to the Christmas holidays, just as the other 225 Boys Ranchers are. They are allowed to go to visit relatives, friends, or whomever they may wish for ten days. There are always a few who don't have a place to go or had rather stay at the Ranch. A nice Christmas is planned for them, as well as a trip.

Thirteen-year-old Joe is in the seventh grade at the Boys Ranch School. He also participates in football, baseball, and the all-

around program at the Ranch. In his spare time he is fishing in the Boys Ranch Lake.

The boys will have their big party on Dec. 19 at the Ranch and the next day they will be allowed to leave for their vacations. They will be going to 33 different states all over the nation.

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Earl Reasoner, Haywood Baser and two sons, Don and Jay Martin, Joe Walker Jr. Leon Walker, J. C. Smith, W. J. Shafer, and every Jarman returned last week from a deer hunt in the Big B country.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Warren Nazareth spent the week end at the home of Mrs. Warren's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kitten.

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Cecil Long's Garage

Boy—I can hardly wait!
I've got my stocking hung by the chimney with plenty of care, and Christmas morning it'll be bursting full of all sorts of good things. There'll be a candy cane sticking out of the top... there always is... and a walnut stuffed way down in the tip of the toe.

And then... the tree! I don't think there's a prettier sight on earth than a Christmas tree. And all those presents underneath it, wrapped up in bright colors and tied with ribbons.

Then Mom and Dad and my sister Ellen and I will get dressed, and we'll go to Church. That's one of the best parts of Christmas. For Mom and Dad always say that Christmas is the celebration of Christ's birthday. I love the music in our Church at Christmas—"Hark the Herald Angels Sing," and all the other carols. When I hear them, I feel all filled up with joy, and I know why our minister says that Christmas is the happiest day of the whole year.

Boy—I can hardly wait! And I just hope that your Christmas is going to be as merry as ours!

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Day	Book	Chapter	Verse
Sunday	Matthew	2	18-25
Monday	Matthew	2	1-12
Tuesday	Matthew	2	13-23
Wednesday	Matthew	2	1-17
Thursday	Isaiah	9	1-7
Friday	Isaiah	21	1-9
Saturday	Isaiah	66	1-2

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MRS. V. G. BROWNING and her 4 1/2 year old daughter, Mary Frances, begin a Plum Pudding.

Slaton Women Give Their Favorite Tested Recipes

Mrs. V. G. Browning's grandmother was a native of England. One of the traditions he handed down was the making of a Plum Pudding at Christmas. Mrs. Browning shares her family's favorite recipe for this holiday cake.

English Plum Pudding

- 1 cup chop suet
- 1 cup sugar (1/4 brown, 3/4 white)
- 1 cup sorghum molasses
- 3 EGGS
- 1 cup milk
- 1 1/2 cup raisins
- 1 cup nuts (pecans)
- 1/2 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp. allspice
- 1/2 tsp. cloves
- 1 tsp. soda
- 1 cup baking powder
- 3 cups flour

Sift all dry ingredients together (except 1/2 cup flour). Mix fruit and nuts with the 1/2 cup flour that has not been sifted. Combine dry and liquid ingredients, then add fruits and nuts. Turn into well greased molds. Mrs. Browning uses coffee cans. Steam 3 to 4 hours.

You can use dates and orange lemon peels in addition to other ingredients.

Longtime Resident of Slaton

Mrs. Browning moved to Slaton with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Marriott, and family in 1916. She was Pauline Marriott before her marriage in 1934.

For years the Brownings owned the Palace Cafe, then they moved to the country and Mr. Browning entered the insurance and real estate business.

Pauline was at one time very active in clubwork and civic affairs but her interests now center mainly around Mary Frances. She is a member of the Slaton Garden Club and is a charter member of the W. S. C. S., though not active at the present time in the latter.

Recent Activities of Westview W. M. U.

The W. M. U. of the Westview Baptist Church sponsored a week of prayer for the Lottie Moon Christmas offering December 2-8. The week's activities began on Sunday evening at Training Union Assembly. A film on missionary work was shown at that time.

On Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday of that week, members of the W. M. U. met at 9:30 a. m. for prayer and programs on different phases of mission work. Mrs. J. S. Vaughn, prayer chairman, was in charge of planning the morning meetings. An average of 11 members were present at the morning meetings.

On Wednesday evening at the regular prayer meeting service of the church, Ronnie Boswell, a student at Wayland College and music director at Westview, gave a missionary message.

Aletha Fuller Circle Meets

The Aletha Fuller Circle met Thursday, Dec. 13, in the home of Mrs. Bryan Ross for Bible study. Mrs. M. A. Morris led the opening prayer. Mrs. Ray Belt was in charge of the program on "Daniel's Prayer for his People." The closing prayer was led by Mrs. Ross.

Five members and one guest, Mrs. Olin Rapp, were present.

Ben Oliver Circle Meets

The Ben Oliver Circle met in the home of Miss Lillie Payton on Thursday.

Mrs. J. S. Vaughn led the opening prayer. The Bible study on "Daniel's Prayer for his People" was presented by Mrs. George Green. Mrs. T. J. ... led the closing prayer.

Eight members were present.

Home Party House Scene of Luncheon

Mrs. R. E. McReynolds entertained at a holiday luncheon in the Home Party House, 940 South 10th, Saturday, Dec. 15.

The table was covered with a white maderia cloth. Holly and green candles were used for decorations. The place cards were caroling angels.

Following the luncheon each guest told of the first Christmas they could remember. Some unusual and jolly Christmas were recalled, reports Mrs. McReynolds.

Guests at the luncheon were: Mesdames S. H. Adams, R. H. Todd Sr., S. G. Wilson, R. M. Shepard, Electa Williams, Gus Robertson, Allen Wallace, A. E. Whitehead, and E. R. Legg.

First Baptist W. M. U. Meets in Circles

The W. O. Harper Circle of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Clea Young Wednesday, Dec. 12.

Mrs. George Privett led the opening prayer. Mrs. Johnny Neris was in charge of the Bible lesson. The closing prayer was led by Mrs. L. O. Lemon.

Nine members were present.

Lottie Moon Circle Meets

The Lottie Moon Circle met Wednesday in the home of Mrs. J. C. Smith Jr. The circle chairman, Mrs. Fannie Patterson, presided.

Mrs. Harry Stokes led the opening prayer followed by the Bible lesson which was taught by Mrs. R. L. Smith Jr. The closing prayer was led by Mrs. Doyle Morrison.

Twelve members were present.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. R. L. Smith Jr. January 9.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Turner had as their week end guests their daughter, Mrs. Harvey Allen, Mr. Allen and son Bobby of Hobbs. Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Joe Turner of Lubbock visited in the Turner home.

Refreshments were served to 14 members and two visitors.

Dorcas Class Has Christmas Party

Mrs. L. R. Gregory was hostess to the Dorcas Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church for their Christmas party and turkey dinner on Friday, Dec. 14. The Christmas motif was carried out in the table decorations and the Christmas tree.

Mrs. Clyde Shaw, teacher of the class, gave the invocation. A program consisting of a devotion led by Mrs. R. L. Smith on "Gift of Friendship and the Birth of Christ" taken from the second chapter of Matthew. "Hope of the World" was given by Mrs. Eula Ferril. The entire group sang "Silent Night" and Mrs. L. O. Lemon closed the program with a prayer.

Mrs. Henry Jarman presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. E. E. Culver.

Gifts were exchanged by Mesdames Lela Clark, T. A. Johnson, Boyd Meeks, Smith, Bill Deaver, Shaw, R. C. Hall, Gregory, Jarman, C. R. Bain, Ludie Williams, Joe Neilson, Joe W. Tate, Edna Jennings, Ferril, Ernest Carroll, Dora Hord, Audene Nowell, Lemon and Jack Foster of Happy, Texas.

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The Slaton Slatonite Society Clubs

Rachel Ehrler, Editor

The Slaton, Tex., Slatonite

Friday, December 21, 1956

Civic and Culture Club Has Annual Christmas Luncheon

The Civic and Culture Club had its annual Christmas luncheon Wednesday, Dec. 12, in the home of Mrs. H. E. Anderson.

Following the covered dish luncheon, members of the club exchanged gifts around the Christmas tree. Mrs. E. R. Legg reviewed "Her Christmas at the Hermitage" by Mrs. Helen T. Miller.

The table had candle arrangements done in silver foil and Christmas balls.

Mrs. Lee Green, a former member of the club who now lives in Corpus Christi, sent the club place cards made of miniature shells fashioned in flower arrangements.

Present at the luncheon were: Mesdames J. D. Barry, J. H. Brewer, A. C. Burk, Martin Collins, George Caldwell, Bessie Donald, J. A. Elliott, M. L. German, R. C. Hall, W. R. Lovett, F. E. Perry, A. L. Robertson, H. G. Sanders, Fred Schmidt, R. H. Todd, W. R. Wilson, Clarence Wylie, M. A. Pember, S. H. Adams, and Legg.

Willing Workers Class Has Social

The Willing Workers Class of Westview Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Electa Williams for their Christmas social Wednesday, Dec. 12.

The class president, Mrs. Williams, presided over the business session.

Mrs. C. A. Bloom led the opening prayer, and the devotional on the "Birth of Our Saviour" was presented by Mrs. J. S. Vaughn.

Mrs. Fay Gray, a visitor, presented an interesting Christmas story. The closing prayer was led by Miss Lillie Payton.

Gifts were exchanged by class members.

Refreshments were served to 14 members and two visitors.



THIRD GRADE STUDENTS gather to sing "America" at the close of a program on clothing of foreign lands and America.

Mrs. J. D. Blair Tells Of French Christmas

For the many people whose Christmas rush is now in progress, Mrs. James D. Blair can sympathize. Her shopping rush was over before Thanksgiving because her relatives are in France and she had to get things mailed early in order to be assured of their arrival in time for Christmas.

When asked about her reaction to American holidays, Mrs. Blair said that France had no comparative holiday for Thanksgiving, which is strictly an American holiday, but Christmas is celebrated in France.

Christmas in France is a serious religious holiday. In the region of Mrs. Blair's home (southern France) they have a Christmas play each year. The play is comparable to our Easter pageants in this country. Each village has its own methods of celebration but as a rule the townspeople march in a procession for midnight mass.

Gifts are not as commercial in content in France as in America. They are given for their personal value and not as many are given to any one person.

Christmas trees are centrally located in the towns in the south. The home decoration is the nativity scene. These scenes vary from small arrangements to scenes including every character connected with Christ's birth.

In eastern France people have trees and stockings. In the south, they use shoes in place of the stockings. Santa Claus is known as La Pere Noel.

Each family sets aside an extra plate of food on Christmas. This plate is called the "part for the poor." Some invite a child from an orphanage to eat with them or they take the food to someone poorer than they.

Mrs. Blair's hometown is Marseilles, France. She was employed as a social worker in the medical center of a construction company before the war. During the war she worked with the French Army in North Africa. The Blairs were married in France.

In 1946, the Blairs came to the U. S. They spent one year in east Texas and then moved to Slaton.

The Blairs have nine children. The oldest, Marie France, is ten years old. Then there are Chantal, James Patrick, Jo Ann, Yvonne, Jean, Elizabeth, Regina, and Claude.

When asked about cooking French food, Mrs. Blair remarked that ingredients such as wine and certain spices are hard to find here.

Joan Pember Honoree at Shower

Joan Pember, bride-elect of Jessie Adams, was honored with a personal shower in the home of Mrs. A. L. Clifton Tuesday, Dec. 18. Mrs. Clifton's daughter, Nancy, was co-hostess.

The honoree's colors, red and white, were the theme for the decorations. The refreshment table was covered with a white lace cloth. The floral arrangement was of red and white carnations. White candles in crystal holders completed the decorations. Crystal appointments were used.

For their gift to the honoree, the hostesses selected white nylon lingerie.

Punch and cookies were served to approximately 25 guests.

A guest in the John Taylor home last week end was Miss Carol Garrett, a student at Texas Tech. Miss Garrett's home is in Crosbyton.

Marvin Leon Stovall of Odessa has been visiting his grandmother, Mrs. D. W. Walston Sr. He returned home last Monday.

Recent Bride Honored at Shower

A miscellaneous shower honoring Mrs. Charles Norwood was given on Tuesday evening, Dec. 11, in the home of Mrs. Bland Tomlinson. Mrs. Norwood is the former Karen Deaver.

The receiving line was composed of Mrs. Tomlinson; the honoree; Mrs. Bill Deaver, the honoree's mother; Mrs. H. C. Fountain of Wilson, the honoree's grandmother; Mrs. Earl Tunnell of Tahoka, the honoree's aunt, and Mrs. Myrtle Eckles, the honoree's sister-in-law.

Miss Nancy Mosley presided at the guest register. Musical selections were presented by Misses Mary Ann Klattenhoff and Irene Tomlinson.

The honoree's colors of pink and white were carried out on the refreshment table which was covered with a hand-embroidered cloth of white linen. The seasonal centerpiece was done in pink and white. Miss Helen Ann Norris presided at the silver tea service.

The 19 hostesses presented the honoree with an electric skillet and a bean pot.

Grace Mission Workers Meet

The Grace Mission Workers of the Grace Lutheran Church met Thursday night, Dec. 20, for a Christmas party. The program was opened with the Christmas story in verse and songs. Mrs. Floyd Foerster sang "O, Holy Night."

Mrs. Arthur Stolle won the birthday apron and in turn will make the birthday apron for next year. Christmas games were played by the group. Gifts were exchanged.

Each member brought a gift which will be sent to A Home for the Aged in Pan-de-Lac, Wisconsin. The society sends gifts to the home every year.

The refreshment table was decorated in pink and silver. Twenty-four members and three guests, Mesdames C. J. Miller, Carol Stolle, and Helen Schneider, were served by candlelight.

Hostesses for the social hour were Mesdames A. A. Russell, C. M. McPherson, Wallace Becker, and Richard Becker.

Goldman, China; Billy Trousdale, Germany; Grace Johnson, Norway; Billy Ray Wilcox, Spain; Dickie McKay, Mexico; Randy Martin, Netherlands; Andy Deanda, Belgium; Julius Gage, United States; Dennis Brush, Great Britain.



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Teams Will Play In Area Tournaments

Tournaments head the schedule for the Slaton girls' and boys' basketball teams during the next month. The Tigerettes will participate in the Crosbyton tournament Dec. 27, 28, and 29. Both the Tigerettes and the Tigers will go to the Dimmitt tournament Jan. 3, 4, and 5. Dec. 18. Friendship will come here for three games, boys' girls', and boys' "B". The same three teams will go to Crosbyton Dec. 21.

After the tournaments the teams begin conference play with Abertown here Jan. 8. Crosbyton will come to Slaton Jan. 11, for three games.

—The Tiger's Cage

Holidays Celebrated in Many Different Ways

Not all the countries in the world celebrate Christmas in the same manner that Americans do. Christmas is a universal holiday, but it is celebrated differently in different lands.

In Latin America Christmas is celebrated for nine days continuously. This celebration starts on Dec. 16, and ends on Christmas night. Large groups of friends and relatives celebrate Christmas together. After dark, a procession is formed with everybody taking part. At the head of the procession are two children carrying a small litter decorated with pine twigs. Small figures of Mary and Joseph are carried on this litter. The travelers carry candles and sing all during the procession. When they come to the house at which they

are destined to stop, they all go in for games and fun. A large glass container, called a pinata is broken. The children then scramble for the nuts and toys and candies which fall from the pinata.

Czechoslovakia Celebrates
In Czechoslovakia, the day of St. Nicholas is celebrated on Dec. 6, and much prominence is given to the children. They hang their stockings outside or near the window so that St. Nicholas can drop gifts into them. St. Nicholas is accompanied by the devil, with baskets of switches and a long chain for naughty children, and an angel with baskets of toys and candies for the good ones. The 24th of December is a fast day and many do not eat until night. In the evening, a large feast is served to the family.

The Christmas tree was originated in Germany, where the children also expect gifts for Christmas. They hang their stockings in the window, or place their shoes in front of the window. In the morning they may find nuts if they have been good, or switches if they have been bad, in their stockings. A large feast is served for Christmas Eve, and practically every German family decorates a Christmas tree. Usually each child is asked to improvise a Christmas poem, and the family gathers around the tree singing Christmas songs.

Two-Day Holiday Observed
Christmas, which is celebrated on Dec. 6 in Hungary, is a two-day legal holiday. The children

place their shoes or boots on the window sill, expecting gifts. Church bells ring much of the time. On Christmas eve the gifts are distributed and songs are sung just before the evening meal.

In Italy, Christmas trees are not used, nor is evergreen, to celebrate the Christmas holidays; for evergreens are directly related to pagan celebrations. Gifts are not usually given, but a yule log is burned, which takes the place of the Christmas tree and Santa Claus. The children are blindfolded before the yule log, and each recites a verse of poetry to the Christ child, and they then receive a small heap of gifts. The Christmas season extends to Jan. 6.

In Russia, Christmas is preceded by a 40-day fast. This Christmas is closely associated with the church. Traditional Christmas gifts are red boots for the children and gold slippers for the young girls. "Babushka," grandmother, is said to distribute the gifts.

Dutch Receive Sweets
In Holland wooden shoes are

placed on the step for the good Saint to fill with toys and sweets. Some carrots are left for the horse which St. Nicholas rides in Holland.

Christmas in Ireland is traditionally a festival of the deeply spiritual. Everyone enjoys a spirit of good will and happiness all over this small country.

In Paris the "reveillon" or Christmas Eve supper, is the great Yuletide event. Overindulgence in it probably accounts for the air of gloom that overhangs the Parisian Christmas day. Rich sea foods and many different wines make up this great feast.

Although different countries celebrate the Christmas season in many different ways, it means the same thing to all—a time of joy and happiness in which people enjoy the fellowship and good will of all mankind in remembrance of the greatest event the world has ever known, the birth of Christ.

—The Tiger's Cage

COACHES NAME PHIL PEARSON MOST VALUABLE GRID PLAYER



Phil Pearson

Phil Pearson, senior fullback, was voted by the coaching staff as the most valuable player on the 1956 football squad.

Pearson was chosen for his consistency throughout the season and for his desire to win. Also taken into consideration were his blocking and tackling ability and his value to the team.

Pearson has played four years of football at Slaton and has lettered in three of these years. After his junior season he was named

honorably mention all-district end. Pearson was one of the tri-captains of the squad.

—The Tiger's Cage

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith will have as their guests for the Christmas holidays her brother, Rev. Hugh F. Blaylock and family of Friona and Otis Blaylock and family of Muleshoe, and her sister, Mrs. I. W. Holloway, and family of Levelland.

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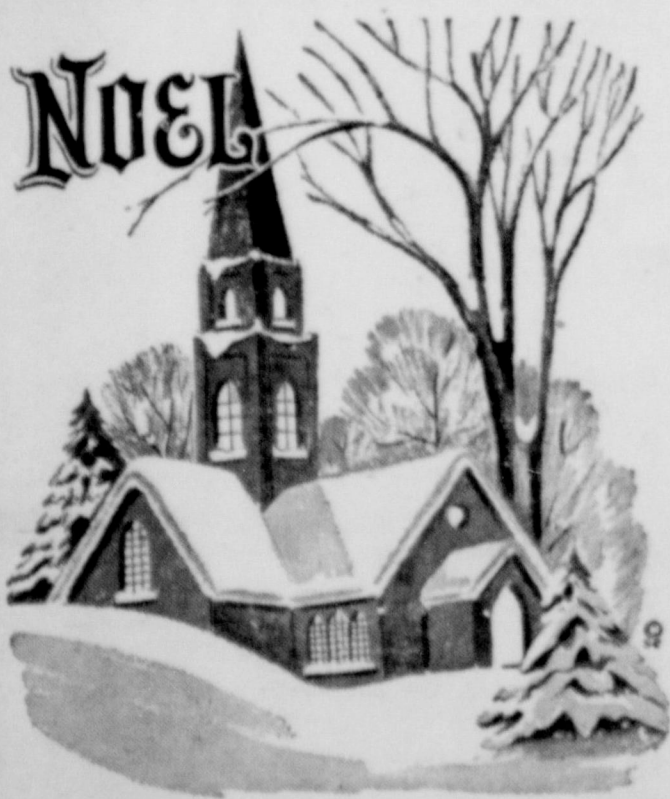
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Senior Girls Take Homemaking Tests

Senior girls of Slaton High School joined 300,000 others throughout the United States in observing "Homemaking of Tomorrow Day" Tuesday, Dec. 4.

Simultaneously, in more than 11,600 of the nation's high schools, the senior girls tested their homemaking knowledge and attitude in a 50-minute written examination. A total of \$106,000 in scholarships will be offered by General Mills in this third annual Betty Crocker Search for the American Homemaker of Tomorrow contest.

Participating from Slaton High School were: Mary Ann Klattenhoff, Neutie Nan Watson, Patti Cooper, Pat Smith, Helen Anne Norris, Barbara Wilke, Marilyn Boyce, and Nancy Mosley.

Previous winners in Slaton were Billie Nell Farmer, 1955; and Joan Pember, 1954.

The girl with the highest test grade will represent her school and will receive an award pin designed by Trifari of New York. Her test will be entered in competition for \$1,500 and \$500 scholarships which will be awarded each state winner and runner-up. The school of each state winner will receive a complete set of the Encyclopedia Britannica.

—The Tiger's Cage

The Rev. J. B. Sharp will spend the Christmas holidays in Corsicana with Mrs. Sharp and the boys. Mrs. Sharp has been visiting in Corsicana for the past few weeks with relatives. She will return with Rev. Sharp after the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. James Buckner of Amarillo visited here over the week end in the home of Mrs. Buckner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Townsend, and their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Merrell.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Merrell over the Christmas holidays will be their son, Lowell Merrell, Mrs. Merrell and five children of Tulsa, Okla. and their granddaughter, Mrs. Darrell Crisp, and Mr. Crisp, of Gainesville, Mo. Mr. and Mrs. Crisp will also visit in the home of Mrs. Crisp's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lois Merrell.

Mrs. Julius Stahl celebrated her 81st birthday with a birthday dinner at her home Sunday. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Kelley and Mr. and Mrs. Jaynes Cloninger of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Roland Scheutte.

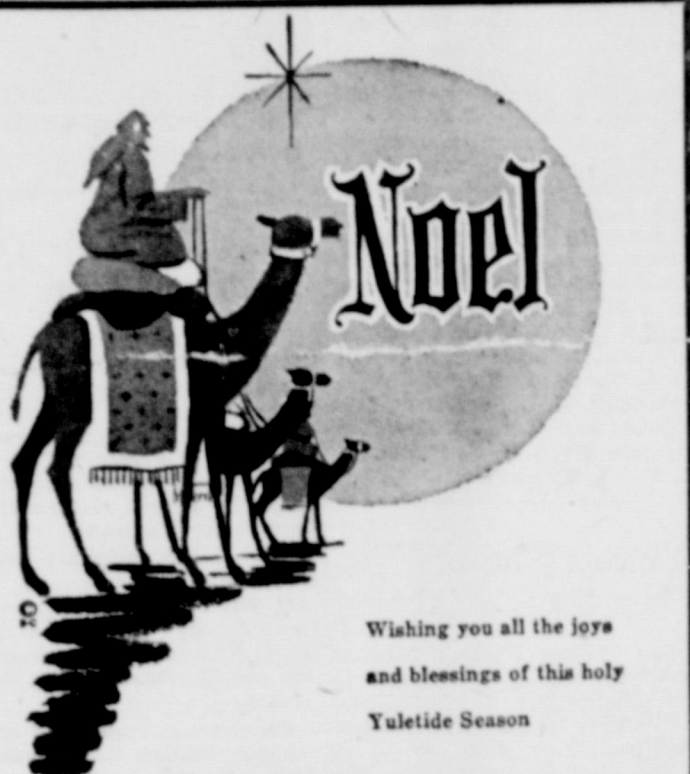
Rev. Carl Carlin, a student at Wayland College, Plainview, spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walters. Their daughter, Mrs. Le Troy Lester and son, Ricky, of Levelland spent Monday in the Walters home.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the Hunters Club, The American Legion, The Womens Auxiliary, and the people of Slaton who helped make it possible for us to visit our husband and father, J. B. Winchester, in the Veterans hospital at McKinney and for their gifts for our Christmas. God bless you all and Merry Christmas.

—Mrs. J. B. Winchester
And Boys.

Last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Rackler visited Mrs. Rackler's cousin, Emma Gene Sibley, who is a patient in West Texas Hospital in Lubbock.



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Tigerettes Win in Overtime Period

Slaton and Wilson split a pair of girls games Tuesday, Dec. 4. The "B" squad lost 22-14, while the varsity squeaked by Wilson 43-42 on the clutch shooting of Beverly Bland.

Pat Schilling led her team in the losing cause by dropping six points. She was followed closely by Frances Bell with four points, while Peggy Bownds and Gail Huser had two points each.

In the varsity game, the Tigerettes overcame a five-point third-quarter deficit to tie the regular game 41-41, forcing the contest into overtime. With only seconds left in the overtime period, Miss Bland popped in the winning points, making the final score 43-42.

Miss Bland also took high point honors by sinking 19 points. Close behind her was Wilson's Julia Benavidez with 15. Other scorers for the Tigerettes were Linda Smith and Alma Winn with 12 points each.

—The Tiger's Cage

Tigers Take Two Tilts From Lions

Slaton took two out of three games from the New Deal Lions Dec. 11.

In the preliminary game Slaton's "B" team took New Deal's "B" 37-33, with a last minute surge. Russell Cummings was the game's and Slaton's high scorer with 10 points.

The New Deal girls came back strong in the second half to top the Tigerettes. After trailing 45-39 at the half the Lionesses posted an 82-68 victory margin. Beverly Bland led Slaton's attack with 26 points. Linda Smith and Alma Jean Winn had 21 points apiece.

The Tigers coasted to a 79-58 victory in the final game. Slaton jumped to an early lead and kept it the rest of the game. Jerry Hogue popped the nets for 29 points and Doug Corley netted 25 for the Bengals.

Teal scored 29 for the losers.

—The Tiger's Cage

Six Tigers Make Honorable Mention

Six Tigers made honorable mention on the 2-AA all-district team announced Dec. 6.

Those in the offensive honorable mention group are: End Alex Franco, Tackle Dale Gordon, Guard Carlton Tumlinson, and Quarterback Doug Corley. Defensive players are Alfred Blisard, tackle, and Roland German, linebacker. Although none of the Tiger squad made the all-district first teams, Blisard missed by one vote.

The all-district teams are selected by the coaches of the 2-AA teams.

—The Tiger's Cage

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Whitehead had as guests over the week end their grandson, Fred Mitchell, of Lubbock and Mr. Whitehead's nephew, Robert Whitehead, of Granbury.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Wright spent last week end in Midland visiting Mrs. Wright's brother, John Mowell.



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Committee Organized To Aid West Texas School in Eliminating Everyday Problems

Plans for an organization that will "turn opinions about West Texas school operations into facts" will be drawn up by a five-man committee elected by school administrators meeting at Texas Tech.

The school executives authorized the committee to outline tentative organization, financing and program for a West Texas School Study Council.

The Council would give school administrators opportunities for discussion of common problems. It also would provide a center for research on those problems.

Planning Committee

Named to the planning committee are Superintendents T. A. Beach, Andrews; Weldon Marcom, Levelland; and Fred Cunningham, Hereford; and Dr. Morris Wallace, Tech education department head. That committee was authorized

to name a fifth member chosen from the Tech faculty.

The committee will report its findings to a meeting of West Texas School administrators Jan. 29 at Tech.

In discussions preceding formation of the planning committee, the school executives agreed that "flying by the seats of their pants" was costing their schools dearly in time, money and efficiency.

"We're more likely to solve our problems with facts than with opinions," Roach pointed out in urging the establishment of a research program.

Problem Solution Sought

"We've got to take a long look at West Texas school problems before we can hope to make real progress in eliminating the myriad of everyday problems which are taking so much time," Marcom

said. He added that "Public schools are being challenged to perform at even higher levels by a public that is becoming more and more aware of its schools and their programs."

Cunningham pointed out the need for the schoolmen to pool ideas on problems and turn those ideas over to personnel who have time for research.

Dr. Wallace presided at the meeting in the Tech Union Building.

Consultant Services

If established at Tech, the center would have access to consultant services of such academic departments as education, architecture, engineering, government, sociology, economics and psychology.

The center also could provide other professional resources and

services not available to a local school.

In conjunction with the meeting on the West Texas School Study Council, 10 other area educators met in the Tech Union Building with Dr. Ishmael Hill, assistant superintendent of Lubbock Schools, to discuss curriculum developments.

The two groups ended their meetings with a joint luncheon in the Union Building ballroom.

Superintendents Attend

Superintendents attending the West Texas School Study Council discussion included: G. E. Thompson, Kermit; O. R. Douglas, Brownfield; P. L. Vardy, Slaton; N. L. Douglas, Hale Center; Nat Williams, Lubbock; F. J. Young, Seminole; Charles Matthews, Plain-

view; and Cunningham, Marcom, and Roach.

Assistant superintendents attending were M. E. Stanfield, Snyder, and Carleton B. Downing, Midland.

Tech personnel at the meeting included Dr. G. E. Giesecke, academic vice-president, and Drs. R. L. Davidson, James R. Gammill, George P. Mechem, W. B. Gates, W. M. Pearce, Bruce C. Browning, J. William Davis, B. J. Fallon, and Wallace and Henry R. McCarty and Adrian Vaughan.

Included in curriculum discussions were Joe Tidow, Andrews; Jerry Snyder, Midland; Delwin Webb, Brownfield; Mrs. Spencer Beasley, Levelland; John D. Thompson, Seminole; S. M. Anderson, Big Spring; Frank Wilson, Snyder; R. B. Karnes, Plainview; and Ralph Ransom, Lamesa.

Christmas Hazards

Each year we read or hear of a family that has had their holiday season marred by a Christmas tragedy.

Little careless acts—that seem so unimportant at the time—are the cause of death or some accident which mars the spirit of joy that should accompany the holiday.

Tragedies—especially at Christmas—are needless, so take a moment to think about the dangers that may be present in your home. Christmas trees cause many fires, so choose your tree wisely. Don't buy a larger tree than your family needs, and be sure it isn't dried out.


The many and varied assortment of lights now being used to decorate Christmas trees can, if not properly handled, cause an electrical fire.

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Christmas time has a lot of "do it yourself" tasks about the house. Watch out for frayed wires, loose connections and broken sockets on Christmas tree lights.

Don't plug too many cords into one outlet.

If you leave the house, be sure all tree lights are turned off.

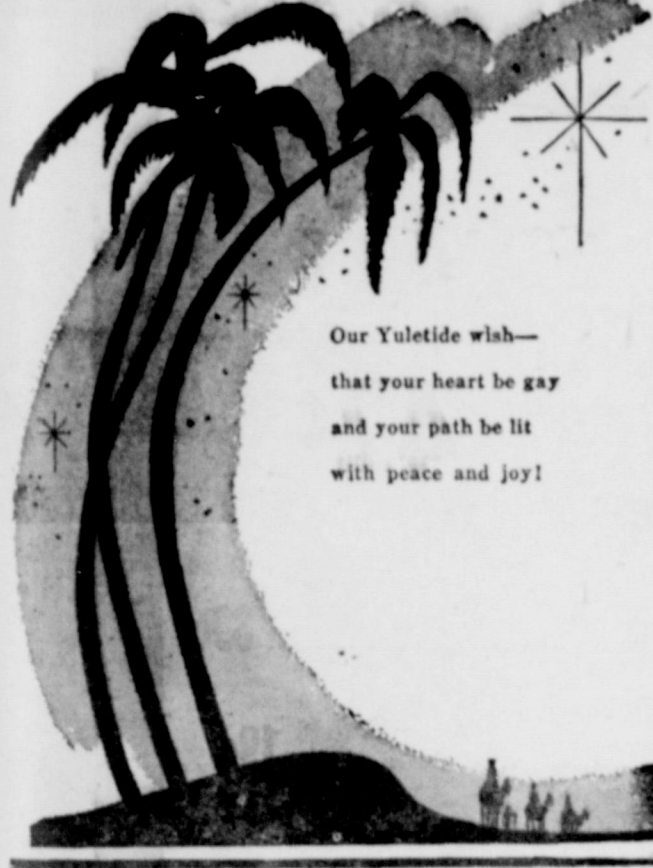


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Farmer's Income Tax Aid Booklet Now Available From County Agents

Farmers who are confronted with problems growing out of the new social security phases of their Federal income tax returns, as well as with other points in their tax determinations, will get a big assist from the new 1956 edition of the Farmers' Tax Guide now available at Internal Revenue Service offices and from county farm agents.

The 64-page booklet has been brought up to date by tax agents and the various agricultural groups.

One Million Copies

A million copies of the booklet have been printed again for nationwide distribution. Last year's edition was extremely well received by farmers and was highly commended by such groups as the National Grange, the American Farm Bureau Federation, the Farmer's Union and the National Livestock Tax Committee.

The booklet tells farmers how to prepare their 1956 tax return through numerous examples on how to do it. The 1956 changes in the self-employment tax law are set out in the front of the booklet, along with a check list of farm income and expenses. Farmers will have no trouble in finding the answers to particular problems since the troublesome problems are set out under separate subject headings.

Inventories, Depreciation

The booklet also deals with such subjects as farm inventories, depreciation, capital gains and losses, casualty losses and thefts, trades, condemnations and diseased livestock, soil and water conservation, and other matters of farm interest.

The publication contains considerably more material than is included in the information booklet

which will accompany 1956 farmers' tax forms, scheduled to go into the mails late in December. Farmers who have had special problems during 1956 will be able to plan much of the calculation required by their returns by using the new guide, revenue officials said. It will enable those who file January 15 estimates to do much of their computation in advance of actual form preparation.

Farmers desiring a copy of the guide should visit either their County Agent or the local Internal Revenue Service office. The booklet can be obtained by mail from the District Director of Internal Revenue, 2101 Pacific Avenue, Dallas, Texas.

Monterey Plainsmen Defeat Tigers, 70-40

Slaton's cold shooting Tigers lost their third game of the season as Monterey out-scored them 70-40. The Tigers could connect on only two field goals in the first half and only eight in the last half. From the free-throw line Slaton sank 20 of 30 attempts.

High scorers for the Bengals were Dal Stanley and Larry White with 12 and eight points respectively.

The game's and Monterey's leading scorer was Tony Godsey, who had 19 points. Dick Deike had 18 for the Plainsmen.

The Tigers out-rebounded and out-hustled the Plainsmen but their frigid shooting kept them out of the ball game.

—The Tiger's Cage

Mr. and Mrs. Adecock of Merkel visited here Sunday in the home of Mrs. Adecock's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Meeks.

SHS Cagers Fail To Win Trophies

Slaton cage teams failed to win any honors at the New Deal Tournament held Dec. 6, 7, and 8. The boys lost both of their games, while the girls lost two and won one game.

The boys lost their first game to Idalou on Dec. 3 by a one-point margin, the final score being 49-47. Idalou's Wayne Isom was the game's high-point scorer with 22 points, with Dal Stanley leading the Tigers by sinking 13 points. Close behind Stanley was Jerry Hogue with 11.

Slaton played their second and last game of the tournament against Frenship. The final outcome of this game was 70-55. Top Tiger scorer was Hogue with 17, with Doug Corley close behind with 14 points. Total individual points scored in the two games were: Phil Pearson, 17; Corley, 20; Stanley, 19; Hogue, 28; Tom McClanahan, six; Dickie Thomas (one game), four; and Larry White (one game also), eight.

The Tigerettes fared better, as they advanced to the consolation finals. They also played Idalou Dec. 3, and lost. The final score was 50-40. Miss Linda Smith had 21 points to lead her team's attack. Beverly Bland had 10 and Alms Winn sank nine points to complete Slaton's scoring.

Slaton won their following game of the tournament by downing Silvertown 33-25. Miss Smith again was high-point girl with 13 points.

The winning of this game advanced the Tigerettes to the consolation finals, where they were defeated by the Frenship Kittens, 72-62. Although Misses Smith, Bland, and Winn dumped in 15, 20, and 27 points respectively, it was not enough, as the Kittens scored 10 points more.

—The Tiger's Cage

Mr. and Mrs. Olen Dougherty and son, Charles, of Tulare, Calif. visited here last week end in the home of Mrs. Dougherty's brother, A. H. Shelton, and Mrs. Shelton.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burton of Lubbock visited here Sunday in the home of Mrs. Burton's mother, Mrs. Louis Mosser.



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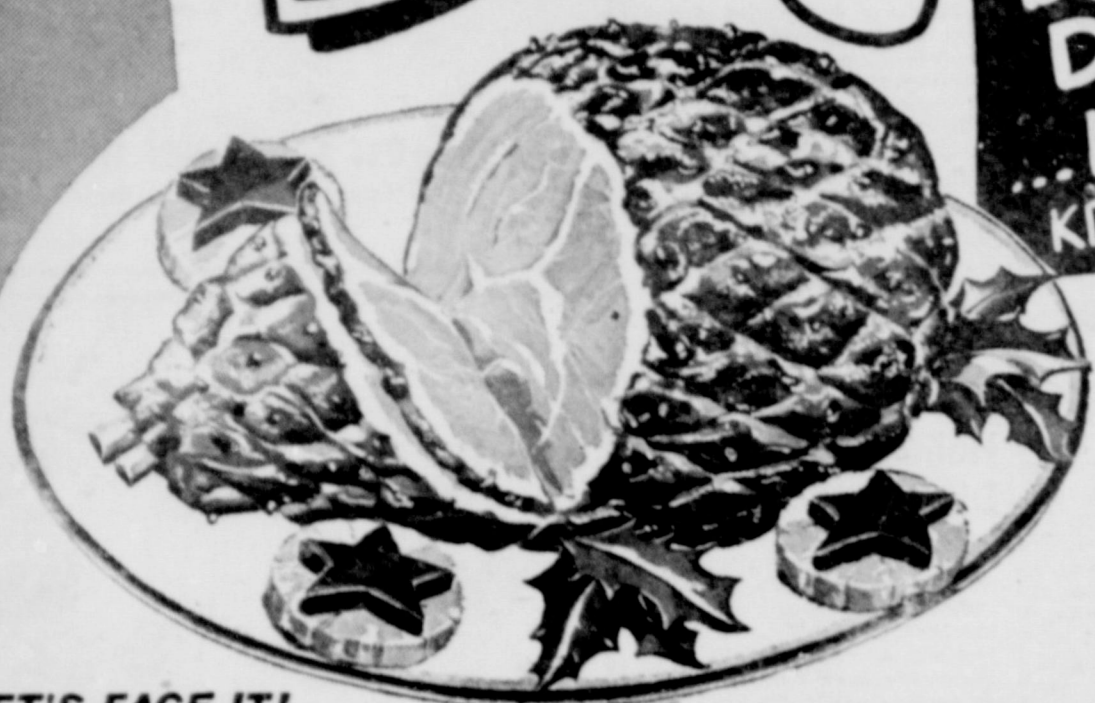
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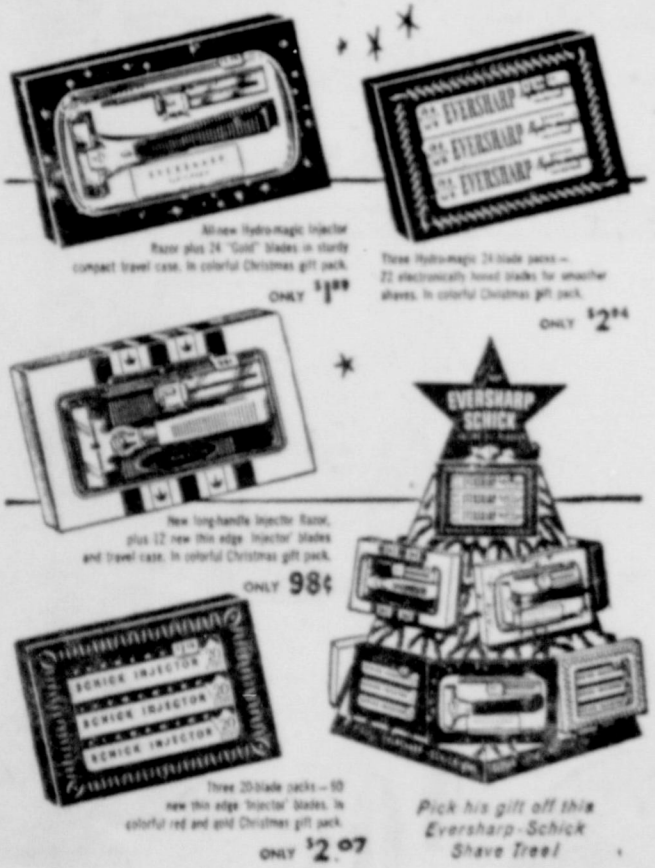
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burn Maeker of Wilson were Sun-
day guests in the home of Mr. and
Mrs. Ray Maeker.

WILSON NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Lichey and
Mary Lou spent Saturday and Sun-
day visiting Mr. and Mrs. George
Holden of Big Spring.

Mrs. Jerry McLeroy and Tommy
Fountain of Amarillo visited their
grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Char-
lie Campbell and Mrs. H. C. Foun-
tain over the week end.

Rev. G. W. Heinemeier attended
the installation of the new pastor,
Rev. Martin Moser, at the church
in Lariat on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Crowson and
children visited Mr. and Mrs. John
H. Phillips and daughter of La-
mesa on Sunday.

Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs.
John Hamilton were Mr. and Mrs.
Bill Copeland of Meadow and Mr.
and Mrs. Clifton Hamilton and
family of Tahoka.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Riddle had as
their guests on Thursday Mr. and
Mrs. Ervick Perkins of Woodrow,
Mr. and Mrs. Erick Perkins of Sla-
ton, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Perkins of
San Antonio and Mrs. Inell Jenkins
of Slaton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Clary and Caro-
lyn visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard
Ferguson of Post Sunday afternoon.

The MYF of the Methodist
Church enjoyed a social after ser-
vices Sunday night in the home of
Rev. and Mrs. Wilkerson and fam-
ily. Refreshments of hot cocoa and
cookies were served to fourteen
guests.

Lunch guests of Mrs. Katie Nie-
man on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs.
Amil Nieman and Mr. and Mrs.
Vernon Brannon and family of
Lubbock.

The W. M. S. of St. John's Lu-
theran church met Tuesday for
their Christmas social. A devotional
was given after which games were
played and gifts were exchanged.
Thirty members and guests were
present.

A. A. Teinert returned Sunday
after having attended a church
meeting in Austin over the week
end.

Mrs. H. C. Fountain attended
the wedding of her granddaughter,
Karen Deaver, to Charles Norwood
in Slaton Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Cookston of
Lewelland visited Mr. and Mrs.
Harry Hewlett and family on Sun-
day.

The Brownfield Associational
Brotherhood meeting was held at
the Baptist Church here on Tues-
day night. A fried chicken supper
was served to approximately ninety
guests. Rev. Jack Pierce of Loren-
zo was guest speaker for the oc-
casion. Special music was brought
by men from New Home.

Sunday afternoon visitors of

Mrs. Katie Nieman were Mr. and
Mrs. Adolph Nieman of Andrews
and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bruno of
Lamesa.

The Walter League of St. Paul's
Lutheran Church met Sunday night
to complete plans for their Christ-
mas party and caroling. Ronnie
Nolte served refreshments to twen-
ty members and two visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Arvin Holder and
family attended a Christmas din-
ner and party given by Mr. and
Mrs. Wayne Kenney of Slaton on
Sunday.

Mrs. A. L. Herring of Lubbock
returned home Wednesday after
having spent a few days visiting
Mr. and Mrs. Thad Smith.

The Wilson High School basket-
ball teams played host to the Smer-
ey teams on Friday night. In the
opener the local "B" team beat the
visitors 30-15. In the girls' game
the locals lost a thriller to the vis-
itors by the score of 44-48. The
local boys beat the visiting varsity
team by the score of 42-39.

The Mary Sunday School Class
of the Baptist Church had their so-
cial on Friday night. The group en-
joyed a meal at the Spur in Lub-
bock and afterwards attended a
movie. Nine members were present.

The St. Paul's Lutheran Church
was host for a conference for pas-
tors and their families on Tuesday.
Guests attended from Lubbock,
Lariat, Plainview, Littlefield, Spar-
enburg, Lamesa and possibly others
places.

Mrs. Hollie Smith the former
Miss Ethel Summerlin was honored
with a miscellaneous shower
Thursday night in the home of
Mrs. Grover Coleman. Mrs. Leon-
ard Mosley was mistress of cere-
monies for the program entitled
"This is your life." Also on program
were a group of high school girls
who played their musical instru-
ments. Mrs. Glenn Ward and Mrs.
Rinney presided at the refresh-
ments table which was laid with
a natural color lace cloth and cen-
tered with a bridal center piece.
Approximately fifty guests were
present.



SUNNY CHRISTMAS . . . It's
always Christmas at the little
post office at Christmas, Flor-
ida, and about this time every
year thousands of packages pour
into Christmas, to be mailed
again, under the famous post-
mark of "Christmas, Florida."
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a young helper.

Water Is Key to Safe Fresh Indoor Tree

Water is the key to keeping a
Christmas tree fresh after it has
been brought indoors.

Every indoor tree should be an-
chored in a container that holds
five or six inches of water. The
butt of the tree first should be cut
on a slant an inch above the end
of the trunk.

Water should be added to the
container every day to replace
that taken up by the trees or lost
by evaporation. Ample water
makes a tree less inflammable and
gives it better color.

Any Christmas greenery will
stay fresher if sprinkled with wa-
ter.

Season's
Greetings

May blessings
come your
way!

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GOOD TIDINGS



GOOD TIDINGS . . .

"She brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped
him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; be-
cause there was no room for them in the inn.

"And there were in the same country shepherds abid-
ing in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.
And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the
glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they
were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I
bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all
people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David,
a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a
sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swad-
dling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of
the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God
in the highest, and on earth peace, good will to men."

Luke 2:7-14

Saint Nicholas



The original Santa Claus was St. Nicholas who was born in the
ancient port city of Patara, in Southern Turkey, on the Mediterranean
coast, during the 3rd century. St. Nicholas was for many years Bishop
of Demre (ancient Myra) and it was at Myra that he died in 342.
He is buried in Demre in a church which bears his name, the Church
of St. Nicholas.

Renown for his many kind deeds, and especially for his loving
generosity towards children, the good bishop has become a legendary
figure in the folklore of many nations. To accommodate the many
travelers who visit the Church of St. Nicholas in the blue mountains
of Demre, the Turkish government recently completed a new road.
Just last year the government honored him by issuing a special stamp
in his name.

Biblical tradition is very rich in the ancient land of Turkey. In the
city of Antioch, where the followers of Christ first called themselves
Christians, the site where St. Peter led the first Mass can still be
seen. Many other saints, including the Apostles Paul, John, James,
Luke and Barnaby were born in this region. Mary, Mother of Christ,
retired after the Crucifixion to the city of Ephesus, where her abode
has been excavated and opened to the public by the Turkish govern-
ment.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Marriot
and boys, Freddy, Dickie, and Jim-
my will spend the Christmas hol-
idays in Sherman visiting in the
home of Mrs. Marriot's parents,
Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Vineyard.

Mrs. Pearl Maupin of Wichita
Falls is here to spend the Christ-
mas holidays with her daughter
Mrs. Doyle Morrison, and Mr. Mor-
rison.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Nance had as
their week end guests Mrs. Nance's
parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Burn-
ett, and her brother, Dale Burnett,
and family of Sudan.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mote and
son, Robin, of Abilene came last
week end for a visit in the home of
Mrs. Mote's parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Bill Layne. Mr. Mote is a student
at McMurry.



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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

Friday, December 21, Will Be the Last Day
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Mr. and Mrs. Gene Nelson and family of Falls visited here over the week end in the home of Mrs. Nelson's mother, Mrs. Birdie Mey-

Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor will leave tomorrow for Dallas where they will spend Christmas with Mrs. Taylor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Monday.

Presbyterians to Present Four Special Christmas Services

The Christmas Season will be observed by the Presbyterian Church with four special services.

A Christmas party was held Wednesday, Dec. 19 at the Educational Building, with the program rendered by the children.

Saturday at 7 p. m. a Christmas program will be held at the Mexican Mission, 3rd and Geneva streets, with the children participating.

Sunday, Dec. 23, at the 11 a. m. service, the minister, the Rev. C. N. Wylie, will continue the series of sermons on "The Personalities Connected with the First Christmas Story." The subject will be "Lessons from the Visit of the Wise Men." E. D. Cummings will sing "O Holy Night."

A Christmas Worship Pageant will be given Sunday evening at

7:40 p. m. The pageant will include five tableaux of the Christmas Story, a Children's Chorus, an Angel Chorus, and a solo, "We Three Kings," by Mr. Cummings.

Proper Tree Cuttings Help Forests Grow

Cutting an evergreen for a Christmas tree is not a harmful practice, so don't feel guilty about it. Even the trees that are sold in market places were "harvested" as a crop to give living room to regular plantings.

Christmas trees are grown on poorer forest soils and wet bog areas where evergreens grow far too slowly to produce a lumber or pulpwood crop—thus Christmas trees are the only profitable harvest that can come off that land.

Some trees do come from top lumber areas, but these are "thinings." In growing trees as a crop it is often necessary to thin out the smaller trees so others will have room to live and grow.

Thus it is that the "thinings" serve a number of uses: they bring Christmas joy into the home; provide income for the forester; and serve as "life insurance" for upcoming timber crops.



PROOF ENOUGH . . . Skeptical oldsters who would spread the word there is no Santa should have a chat with this Chicago youngster who fairly beams as he asks old Saint Nick about the things that will be under his tree come Christmas morning.



Just as vari-colored Christmas tree lights add to the Christmas spirit in practically every American home, so does flickering candlelight add to the enjoyment of holiday decorations.

This year's candles take on a glitter and sparkle to go with their glow. Tall or short, fat or slim, all candles lend themselves to jewel-like decorations its the "doing" that increases the fun and deepens the joy.

Popular on Christmas shopping lists this year are trim-a-candle kits which "do-it-yourself" fans can use to transform plain-Janes of candleland into tapers of striking loveliness which may be used for home decorations or gifts.

The kits' contents include glitter, spangles of infinite shapes and colors, pearls, sequins, stars and hollow beads.



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You can tell a lot about people by the way they regard time.

Do they put stock mostly in the past—their record; the present—their direct joy in work or play; or the future—their plans.

Why not use all three dimensions of time? Past experience to guide, the present for zest, and the future to realize dreams.

Lawyers report a sharp shift in the way people regard time and the law: Of old they thought of law in terms of past facts like failures to meet legal duties, misdeeds, etc.—facts useful chiefly in lawsuits.

You still have to think of the record, since you may have to go to trial some time. So keep good records of your affairs.

But more and more people now also think of the law in the future tense—in terms of built-in safeguards for plans which they want to go through without legal hitches.

Our heavy income and death taxes have made people plan ahead legally, rather than wait for the ax to fall.

Any time you buy or sell a home or a business or make an investment you have choices of how you may do it—some wise, some not, in view of your circumstances. Should you insist on an abstract or accept or offer instead a title insurance policy? (Your lawyer has a definite part to play in either event.)

Should you do business as a sole proprietor, a partnership, or corporation? Do your contracts set out ways of meeting unexpected events? How best may you serve your estate (and also carry out your wishes)—by a will or a trust, or by direct gifts?

While all of these things point forward, the past in the form of court records can serve you by showing where trouble may come from.

As more and more people know the symptoms of legal trouble—where to look for legal hitches in plans before big trouble starts, there will be fewer law suits and better human relations.

And where does trouble sometimes start? Most often where you lack a clear grasp of your relationship, your rights and duties, and your own and the other fellow's resources—in transactions involving large personal or financial stakes.

(This column, prepared by the State Bar of Texas, is written to inform—not to advise. No person should ever apply or interpret any law without the aid of an attorney who is fully advised concerning the facts involved, because a slight variance in facts may change the application of the law.)

Proper care of the hunting dog's feet is essential if the dog is to be successful in the field. Hunters should inspect their dogs' feet frequently, keeping watch for tender or injured spots and removing grass or caked mud or other objects found between the pads.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Mangum will leave Saturday morning for San Antonio where they will spend the Christmas holidays in the home of Mr. Mangum's mother, Mrs. Louise E. Cox.

Hollis Barkley, who is in the submarine service on the USS Charr at San Diego, Calif. spent last week here in the home of his mother, Mrs. Verna Barkley.

Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Ball of Amarillo will arrive tomorrow to spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. K. C. Scott, and family.



May blessings unfold for you at Christmas!

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Nazareth: After Centuries, The Chosen City Is Growing Modern

The advent of modern conveniences is gradually making a vast change in the homeplace of Jesus. Nazareth, scene of many miracles, has witnessed a new one—water, in plentiful supply.

Since long before the time of Christ, Nazarene women had to carry water in earthen jugs. Now, such sources as the famed "Fountain of Our Lady Mary" will be needed only as shrines recalling the city's historic past.

The water for the most predominantly Arab city in Israel is piped in from a Jewish farm settlement in the Valley of Esdraelon. The 12-inch pipe carries it to a summit overlooking Nazareth where a junction with municipal pipelines allows distribution throughout the city.

Nazareth, the chosen city and one of Christendom's holiest places, was once so insignificant that the term "Nazarene" was applied to Jesus Christ in derision. And, long before the birth of Christ, the city was the target of a variety of invaders.

In the Christian era alone, Nazareth has been conquered many times. The city was wrecked by Ealadin in the Christian-Muslim wars of the Middle Ages. In the same period the Christian population was massacred by Hilara, the Egyptian sultan and general. Some of the historic churches have been razed and rebuilt as many as three times.

Less than five miles away was the once thriving city of Sepphoris where the Romans put down a desperate revolt of the Jews led by Judas the Galilean when Jesus was a boy. Herod Antipas, son of Herod the Great, rebuilt Sepphoris, and there is speculation that the young Carpenter may have aided in the reconstruction.

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