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Ellenberger Oil Discovery Made In County

News Review of 1952 From the Success Files

Schleicher County has closed out the second year of the Great Drouth.

As we are launched into the New Year of 1953 we can look back upon 12 months in which we all did pretty well even without rain.

There were a lot more people in the county at the end of the year than at the beginning of it.

Those who owned farms were all hanging onto them. Able-bodied farmers drove their tractors into the shed and took jobs at good wages in the oil field or on the pipe lines. Some of the lucky ones sold oil royalties or leases for as much as the land was worth.

It wasn't a dull year by any means—there was something doing every minute. Our citizens sharply disagreed with each other on a number of issues, and they went to the polls in record-breaking numbers to express themselves, on 3 separate occasions. There were campaigns when some marched into the newspaper office and bought page ads to present their views to the county. Eldorado was undergoing growing pains.

Altogether it was a very interesting year. As newspaper folks we wouldn't have missed it for anything. Some of the year's highlights as gleaned from our past 52 issues are as follows:

January

3. The first issue of the Success in January 1952 reports a rainfall of 6 to 9 inches in the county for 1951. A number of candidates have their hats in the ring—election year is on. There was a little sleet and ice on this day. There was a rabies scare—the City passed an ordinance and everyone had shots given to their pet dogs and cats. Martin Estes went in business at the post office corner. Work started on the C. C. West wildcat test near the city.

10. Damage reported to telephone lines all over the county as result of ice storm. S. W. Texas Co-Op announces it will expand lines into Crockett County. Rabies shots are given to 129 animals here Saturday.

17. Huldale field extended east when Skelly gets producer in its No. 1 W. A. Davis estate. Somebody was worried about cracks in the school building—turns out it was only in the plaster. Gary quits school teaching to take job with Shell.

24. Poll tax payments are reported high. Election campaign getting under way. New names in the political column are Shaw, McAngus, and Enoch, besides the incumbents. Telephone repair crew at work. Plans complete for annual livestock show. Eldon McAngus, first married man, gets draft call.

31. Poll tax payments pass 1,000 mark. New Chevroleets and Fords on display. Attendance off in school because of flu. Material dribbling in for the Rancho station.

February

7. Fullerton Oil Company gets gasser on the P. K. McIntosh ranch, which was celebrated with a barbecue. School Supt. Holcomb is re-elected for three years. C. L. Meador enters the race for county judge. Construction under way on a number of new houses. J. E. Estes to observe 100 birthday Sunday. Construction completed on new county scales. A bad dust storm was reported over the week end.

14. Standard Oil brought in the fourth producer in the Neva West field. Standard was bringing in another rotary—its third. 4-H boys prepare to show lambs in San Antonio.

21. Political pot is boiling. A. G. Clark in race for commissioner and Ira Galloway of Coleman decides to run against O. C. Fisher for congress. Military funeral held for Walter Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Noel Jones, who was killed in truck accident. An ordinance prohibiting peddlers, was passed by the city council.

28. Bill Cheek received \$2.05 per pound for his reserve champion fine wool lamb at the San Antonio Livestock show last Friday, Feb. 22. All other boys who had lambs place in the show received 45¢ to 50¢ per pound. — Small rains reported over county.

March

6. County politics continues to hold the interest of readers. Second candidate in the Treasurer's race, Mrs. Alice Isaacs reaches the age of 92.

13. Delta Gulf brings in new well in northeast part of county, the No. 1 Boyd. Considerable activity in the Dove Creek area, just south of Irion County line. Local Legion announces 33rd birthday party. Anderson Bros. again contract for building Rancho pipe line.

20. Joseph B. Christian, 84, president of the First National Bank, and pioneer Schleicher County resident, died at 6:00 p.m., March 15, 1952, following a car wreck in which Mrs. Christian, driver of the car, was badly injured.

Lone Star Gas Co. announces that it will build a new line to McIntosh well and also into Sutton county. Republic Pipe Line officials spend week end in county. Oil derrick full of drill pipe in the Dove Creek field, blown down in storm. L. Moore announces for commissioner.

27. Sixth district PTA meeting being held in McCamey; Eldorado chosen for 1953 district meet. Congressman Fisher announces speaking date in Eldorado. Seniors present their class play. Dove Creek area has oil showing, but it never did amount to much.

April

3. District Court to get under way next week. Contest develops in school election. Lots of material being unloaded in Eldorado for the new pipe line and the new pumping station. Angelo man killed in car wreck south of town.

10. Old members returned to office in school board election. Ed Hill becomes new president of the First National Bank. First election year meeting held by County Democratic committee.

17. Five football teams organized for spring baseball season. E. L. Bielow, division superintendent of Lone Star Gas company in San Angelo, and chairman of the industrial committee of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, discussed the work program of that organization at yesterday's Lions club meeting. From the Santa Fe agent comes a report that 300 cars of material have been unloaded here to date.

24. This was the week when one to four inches of rain was reported. Everybody thought it was the end of the drouth—lots of grain was planted—which later died. Commencement set for May 16; Lola Beth Ballaw is valedictorian. O. C. Fisher speaks to full house in meeting Monday. Voters reminded of precinct conventions on Saturday. Wildcat abandoned on the C. C. West location.

May

1. Ira Galloway, candidate for Congress, speaks at Lions meeting. Other new candidates are Pope for commissioner and Vinson for District Judge. Some more light rains are reported. Lots of the county already dried out and dust is blowing again.

8. The County Democratic Convention was held at the court house on Tuesday afternoon, and in a short and snappy session elected Cecil Meador as the county's delegate to the State Democratic Convention to be held in San Antonio on May 27th. Ranches east of town get heavy rain. Kerr comes out for commissioner.

15. High school commencement scheduled for tomorrow night. Lions prepare to entertain oil men with barbecue. Two more in race for District Judge.

22. There were about 800 in attendance at the barbecue honoring the oil fraternity. It was reported that there was a total of 91 wells in the county—in 10 fields. Good rains again reported in county. These reports look good on paper but they failed to make crops.

29. Here comes another one! Schleicher county participated in a good general rain which covered practically all of Southwest Texas Tuesday—giving freshly planted crops a wonderful shot in the arm as well as being immeasurably beneficial to all rangeland grasses.

Early this week, Standard Oil

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Hext Zero Foods To Discontinue Lockers; To Enlarge Grocery

Jack Hext, proprietor of Hext Zero Foods, has notified his customers that the food locker part of his business will be discontinued, and that the firm will confine itself to the retail food business, which will be enlarged.

Locker customers will have until March 1st to remove their meats from the frozen food lockers.

In the meantime, Mr. Hext is promoting the sale of Hot Point and Amana food freezers in co-operation with the Ragsdale appliance firm of San Angelo.

The work of remodeling and enlarging will not commence until near the first of March. Removal of lockers and freezing equipment will provide additional display space for merchandise, especially for the new food freezers which will be placed on sale. The entire project will be carried out during the early spring months.

Loan Is Approved For Improvement Of R. E. A. Lines

The Southwest Texas Electric Co-operative, Inc., has received approval on a new loan in the amount of \$350,000. Of this amount \$225,000 is for system improvements, such as changing single phase line to two or three phase, and replacing No. 4 conductor with larger size conductor, building new sub-station if needed. These funds will be held in reserve and used over a period of several years.

The other \$125,000 is to complete lines already approved.

Babson Forecasts Business Outlook For The Year Of 1953

By ROGER W. BABSON

1. Business will start the year 1953 in high gear. The pace will slacken, however, as the year unfolds, with total business volume for 1953 smaller than for 1952. The powerful supports of the Great Boom—construction and automobiles—will lose strength as the year advances.

2. Barring World War III, 1953 will find business operating under less government control than any year since outbreak of the Korean War. But don't expect removal of price controls to help profit margins.

Intense Competition Predicted
3. Salient economic feature is the fact that our productive capacity has now been expanded to the point where, barring World War III, output can take care of both arms and civilian needs.

4. The handwriting is on the wall against inefficient operators. Their days are numbered. The successful businessman next year will be the one who can control his costs and stay out front in his market.

5. I strongly urge my business friends to get out and SELL, and SELL HARD next year; but hire the best cost accountants you can for the back office. "Order takers" will find fewer jobs as 1953 moves along.

War and Peace

6. My forecasts for 1953 are made on the assumption that World War III will not strike during the year. However, I want to make it clear that "all bets are off" the day Stalin dies or retires.

7. The H-bomb gives us another lease on time. Our first lease, from Hiroshima in 1945 to the Russian A-bomb explosion in 1949, was frittered away in idle bickering. This time we will have another "breather." It may be our last chance.

8. 1953 will be most important in the struggle for World Peace. We will need more than an H-bomb to win the peace. We shall need a great rise of spiritual strength, which is not now evident.

No New Business Boom

9. The long business boom following World War II was beginning to run out of steam when the Korean War gave it a new lease on life. However, the stimulus of defense spending is already fading. Barring further international troubles,

Prizes Are Awarded For Xmas Decorations

First prize for Christmas decorations was awarded to Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Robinson Jr., and a check for \$15, as first prize money, has been mailed to the couple. Second prize was awarded to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Edmiston and third to Miss Lucille Farmer.

T. P. and his wife decorated two windows. The picture window was outlined with lights and centered with a tree; the other large window carried out the Christmas card idea, outlined with lights, and conveying their Christmas greetings in writing under a spotlight.

The other prize winners also had most attractive displays. The large new Gene Edmiston ranch house was decorated with the reindeer theme on the roof, and Miss Farmer's residence had a yard display of Santa and his reindeer, including Rudolph with his red nose.

The judging committee, who visited the displays Tuesday night, state that competition was close and that it was difficult to make a decision. Mrs. Archie Mittel, Mrs. Joe Edens and Jerry Pennington, were on this committee.

The contest, for which the Junior Woman's Club and the Lions Club, had offered cash prizes, of \$15, \$10 and \$5, called attention to the lighting of homes at Christmas, and stimulated interest in a phase of Christmas celebration and observance which will probably grow with each Christmas season.

MEET NEXT WEEK

The regular meeting of the American Legion has been postponed to Thursday, January 8th at 7:00 p. m.

Mrs. Clyde Vinson of San Angelo has been visiting her daughter Mrs. John Miller and her family.

Possibilities of opening an entirely new oil field in the west part of this county, were excellent, as Sinclair Oil & Gas Company continued today to test its No. 1-101 University well which was making oil in the Ellenberger lime—the first pay in that formation ever found in the county.

'Twas the Right Eldorado For Local Flower Shop

A mistake in orders, in which shipments of flowers to the Eldorado Flower Shop and a nursery in Eldorado, Arkansas were mixed, worked out fine for Mrs. Woodward, who had by far the best Christmas business she has ever had.

The order which should have gone to Eldorado, Arkansas, was delivered to Mrs. Woodward three days before Christmas. It was a large shipment, containing 400 carnations alone, and many other flowers. She called the wholesalers at Denver who had shipped the orders out by plane, and told them that she could not use that many. They instructed her to sell what she could and pay for what she used.

Then she started to sell flowers. She sold all of the above and had to put in another order—and could have sold even more than that!

She says it was decidedly a cut flower Christmas around here—that there were many orders sent in from out of town, including corsages, bouquets, centerpieces for table and elsewhere, and sprays to be delivered at the cemetery—and that she was about snowed under with orders from local people too.

She can't explain it all—it just happened.

MERTZON ROAD SIX-MILE GAP IS STATE APPROVED

The State Highway Commission has approved the last 6 miles of the Mertzson highway in Schleicher County, according to information from Austin recently.

It will be remembered that there are about 20 miles of road from Eldorado to the Irion County line, and right of way contracts have been made by the Schleicher Commissioners Court for the first 14 miles. The way is now open for the commissioners to secure the right of way for the remaining six miles.

The State will probably let contracts for construction of the entire 20 miles some time next spring or summer.

Sailor Is Honored

Mrs. Ben Biggs and Mrs. W. G. McAlpine entertained a group of relatives Sunday noon with a dinner, honoring Harlan McAlpine, who is home on leave and will report back to San Diego soon.

Present were S. G. Danford of Sherwood, Clyde Biggs and Bob McElroy and daughters of San Angelo, Mrs. Thelma Biggs and Harold Lloyd and Mrs. W. T. Sanders of Wall, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Queen, and daughter Doris of Balinger, Mrs. Wesley McAlpine of Port Stockton, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Crider, Harlan McAlpine, Juanita McAlpine, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Biggs, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Biggs and Glenn and Truman, Pat McAlpine, and Carol Jean, and others. W. G. McAlpine was ill and unable to attend.

Jimmie Cook came in from the Navy for the holidays joining Mrs. Cook and the couple's daughter here. The family spent Christmas in Sonora with relatives. Jimmie has served about two of his four-year enlistment period.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Fuller and Mr. and Mrs. Charles McGill and their families visited here a day or two during the holidays with Dr. and Mrs. Wm. Lindsey. They are from San Angelo.

Post Script

The Eldorado post office crew report that business is beginning to get back toward normal, after the largest Christmas mailing the office has ever had. Postmaster Brooks does not have a total for the year available at this time, but states that the volume is larger than that of any previous year.

Recovery on a one-hour drillstem test between 7,970-8,045 feet, the total depth, was 30 feet of gas-cut mud and 90 feet of heavily oil and gas-cut mud. The tool was partially plugged.

Operator then took a 65-minute drillstem test between 7,965-8,045 feet and recovered 7,100 feet of free, 39 gravity oil, no water. Gas-oil ratio was 500-1. Flowing pressure was 825-2,400 pounds; 15-minute shut-in pressure, 2,850 pounds.

Running High

The Ellenburger was topped at 7,782 feet by samples, minus datum of 5,272 feet, or 10 feet high to Bobby Manziel 1-53 University, dry hole 1½ miles northeast.

From Eldorado the well is approximately 15 west and 5 miles north; it is about 2½ miles west of the old Reynolds school house.

Exploration

The Sinclair University location is the result of geophysical work done by Republic Exploration Co., who moved a crew to Eldorado in November, 1951, and have worked for Sinclair since that time in this area. It was reported today that Republic is moving a second geophysical crew to Eldorado.

Last reported gauge from Black & Rodman No. 1 Henderson, indicated long northeast extender to production in the Page (Strawn) field of central Schleicher County, was 78 barrels of oil in 24 hours through a one-half inch choke. Operator was preparing to drill out cement and try to open up a larger pay section. When that is done, testing will continue. This exploration is in section 25, block L, GH&SF survey.

Sinclair No. 1 Thompson, wildcat in northeast Schleicher County, was bottomed at 3,070 feet in the Permian with a drillstem test underway. A test was attempted at that total depth, but the testing tool failed to function properly.

Sinclair No. 1 Cecil McClatchey, project at the south side of the Huldale field, was being drilled below 4882 feet in lime and shale.

Sinclair No. 2 McClatchey Est., another project in the south Huldale area, was being drilled below 2670 feet in lime and shale.

Sinclair No. 1 Southland Royalty, project at the north end of the Huldale field had spudded with cable tools and was preparing to continue drilling with rotary equipment.

Humble Oil & Refining Co., No. 1 Spencer, wildcat southwest of Eldorado in the Bailey Ranch area, was rigging up rotary to continue drilling after spudding with cable tools.

Delta Gulf is moving rig to its No. 2 McWhorter in the Huldale field.

American Republics No. 4 McClatchey on Tuesday was digging surface hole at depth of 520 feet.

Standard tools being moved in this week for Delta Gulf No. 1 McClatchey.

Texas Crude Oil Company of Midland was down to 3620 feet Wednesday on their wildcat on the Otto Williams ranch.

Louis Scherck No. 1 D. C. O. Wilson stopped for a drill stem test at 4400 feet, but failed to find production and are drilling ahead.

Carter & Carter No. 1 J. F. Webster had made hole only down to 500 feet yesterday. A series of setbacks, including circulation trouble, has slowed down the drilling.

COLLEGE GIRLS HONORED

Honoring their daughters, Suzie Linthicum and Barbara Gene Borger, Mrs. Horace Linthicum of Eldorado and Mrs. Bobby Borger of San Angelo entertained with a coke party Saturday in the country club in San Angelo. Most of the guests were college friends of the two girls.

BABSON

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during the first part of the year, strikes will continue to plague management. Unions, however, will be cautious so that they will not bring down on their heads the legislative wrath of a conservative Congress.

17. During the early months of 1953 amendments to the Taft-Hartley Act will be moderate. Great labor turmoil would surely result in severe restrictions on labor being read into the Act. All in all, I forecast a decline in strike totals for 1953.

18. Looking to the year 1953, I am urging my friends and their children to work more faithfully at their jobs. They should not be fooled by present high demand for labor. Early 1953 should be used to "dig in" and work harder. Drifters will be the first to be let go.

Price Forecasts

19. Barring World War III and severe droughts, the supply of most raw materials, farm products, and manufactured goods promises to be adequate during 1953. Even the so-called invisible inventories in the hands of consumers are high as a result of heavy buying since the outbreak of the Korean War. I anticipate a few shortages next year.

20. Do not forget that there is always a big IF in the supply situation with regard to farm products. Severe drought could cause havoc. One is already long overdue. Scan closely weather reports from the nation's "bread basket."

21. The demand for goods will be stronger in the first half of the year than it will be during the last half. Disposable income will hold close to current high levels during the first half of 1953.

22. Total pay rolls will hold well, with prospects favoring a slight drop during the late months of 1953.

23. Farm gross income will strengthen along seasonal lines during the first four or five months of 1953. If we can avoid drought, I look for a lower farm income during the second half of the year.

24. The trend of wholesale commodity prices will remain in a basic long-term downswing. Look for temporary price recoveries in many groups during the early part of 1953, but do not let them fool you.

25. Unless more international troubles or drought strike hard, living costs should average some lower in 1953 than in 1952. Here again, the tapering-off will occur late, not early in the year.

Retail Trade

26. Over-all trade in 1953 will be

close to 1952 levels as far as physical volume is concerned, with a moderate decline in dollar totals. The most attractive merchandising investments should be: (1) Super-market groceries; (2) Variety chains; (3) Mail order stores; and (4) Department stores, excepting a few in the largest and most congested cities.

27. Demand for capital goods will hold strong during most of 1953. A definite slowing, however, will take place at some time. 1953 sales of consumer durables should about equal 1952's total sales, which were restricted by the steel strike.

28. Movement of soft goods during 1953 should be about the same as during 1952. Some freshening of demand in the early months may be offset later by a renewed lull.

Real Estate

29. Barring World War III, rent controls will be a thing of the past in most areas by the end of 1953.

30. Home building will be less in 1953. Prices may weaken during the latter part of the year. Building costs should edge lower. Only small new houses will be in demand.

31. In my opinion, the cost of mortgage money will tend somewhat higher during 1953.

32. Construction of municipal and public works should rise moderately in 1953 as compared with 1952. This may be stepped up sharply late in the year if business falters. There may be a surplus of tax-free bonds.

33. A moderate slide-off in the sale of commercial farm properties can be expected. No bad break, however, seems likely in 1953. Fear of World War III, moreover, should help farm prices.

34. Population trend is away from the big cities. Fear of possible bombing and automobile overcrowding will continue as a drag on city realty values. Continued migration from the urban centers will help suburban properties.

35. For those who plan buying new homes in 1953, I strongly urge the purchase of acreage in suitable suburban areas. Surely, the H-bomb experiments should quicken the trend toward subsistence farms.

36. As public housing programs are far behind schedule, the new Congress will not promote such in 1953 unless the need for pump-priming becomes much greater.

Tax Easing Will Be Slight

37. Tax relief will come mostly from expiration of present laws rather than from a new enlightened tax program. Barring further international problems, the present corporate excess-profits tax will be permitted to expire at the end of June, 1953.

38. If the need for new taxes continues high, after expiration of the excess-profits tax, the new Congress may consider additional excise or manufacturers' sales taxes. They may also serve to discourage consumer spending, if the war danger becomes acute.

39. State and local taxes may be increased moderately here and there during the year 1953. However, I do not look for total advances in such to be so great in 1953 as they were in 1952.

40. There will be no increase in capital-gains taxes during 1953; but read paragraph 46 below. Income taxes may be reduced.

Foreign Trade Outlook

41. Exports will fall again in 1953. The drop in imports will be much less than in exports. The new Administration will be urged to promote foreign trade instead of foreign aid. Only by buying our neighbors' goods can we get them off the relief rolls. To save ourselves, I predict, we will buy more abroad, although this will be hard on some United States manufacturers.

42. I look for no change in the official United States buying price for gold. We won't "money with" the mint price of gold until the nation gets really "hard up."

Conclusion: Profits Prospects,

Stocks and Bonds

43. For the year as whole I look for business profits to be slightly lower than in 1952. Earnings will be better during the early months, with a decline occurring later in the year. Profit margins will be cut by stiffer competition from both domestic and foreign sources.

44. Recently upped wages, plus some additional 1953 boosts, will also put heavier cost pressure on profits.

45. Some companies that have been hard hit by excess-profits taxes may show improved earnings when the excess-profits tax expires June 30.

46. There will be a cushion under falling profits provided by the current very high tax rates. If profits slide, Uncle Sam will share the heavier loss. This very fact, however, will make it difficult for Congress to reduce the rate of taxation.

47. Stocks are high historically. We are approaching the end of a long period of prosperity, much of which is based on artificial measures. Therefore, sometime during 1953 I forecast lower stock prices than exist today.

48. Yet, do not forget that the stock market was at about the same price point when President Hoover won by a landslide in 1928.

With business prospects good for early 1953, confidence might again cause a temporary boom. If an "Eisenhower bull market" develops, I strongly urge readers to take profits and build up reserves. Within 12 months after Hoover entered the White House the Industrial Averages fell 100 points.

49. New Administration will not favor "soft money" policy. Therefore, some further rise in interest rates seems probable. For this reason, I favor high-grade, short-term bonds, rather than long-term.

50. Finally: Wise investors are taking no action unless prepared to follow a carefully planned and supervised investment program.

The keystone of this program will, in 1953 as in 1952, prove to be a policy of diversification and selectivity. Among those groups which offer safety and good yield are certain fire insurance stocks, bank stocks, variety chain store stocks, food processing companies, and telephone companies. Even these may fail us unless our nation has a real spiritual awakening. This must include both you and me.

Personal News Items

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Spigarelli and three children of Pittsburg, Kansas, left this week for home after spending the holidays with Mrs. Spigarelli's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Edmiston. The Edmiston's other children were also with them for Christmas: Mary Dell, who attends college at Tech, Orval and W. F. and their families, and Billy Gene, who lives with his parents.

The Ross DeLozier family left Tuesday of last week for a Christmas visit with Mr. DeLozier's parents at Chelsea, Oklahoma. They returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Dewey and family spent Christmas in Ozona with Mrs. Dewey's brother and his family.

Here for a several-day holiday visit with Mr. and Mrs. Martin Estes were Mr. and Mrs. W. L. James and new baby of San Angelo, the Estes' daughter and her family.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Farris spent Christmas day and Friday in San Angelo with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Doyle and two children and Mrs. Claude Doyle went to Lampasas and took Mrs. P. W. Yarbrough, their guest from Glenview, Georgia, with them to visit other relatives.

Kenneth Doty of Ballinger arrived here on the 28th to visit his brother O. V. Doty and his family, and is spending the week here.

Guests in the Delbert Edmiston home on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day were Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Daniels and two small daughters of Odessa. The two young women are sisters.

Joe Hext and his family of 10. Marque arrived here Christmas afternoon for a holiday visit with Joe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hext.

Episcopal Guild will meet Monday, the fifth of January, at the home of Mrs. Frank Clarke. The group will leave the post office at 10:00 as usual that morning.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Whiteley had all of their children with them on Christmas, at a family gathering at the home of the Jack Whiteleys at Brady. Present were the daughters and their families, the Vernon and Laymon Hazelwoods, the Vernon Carrolls, and the Tom Carrolls of Ozona, also the Hazelwood boys' parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Hazelwood, in addition to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Whiteley.

The Whip Faulks were hosts to a number of relatives, including Mr. Faulk's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Faulk, the children who live at home, a daughter, Mrs. Wanda Atkinson, another daughter Miss Peggy Daniels, who has returned to stay after being employed in Houston, and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Daniels, a son and his wife, who returned Friday to their home in Houston. The Faulks' new residence is not quite completed, but will be ready for occupancy soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Luke, here with oil field work, spent the day on Christmas with relatives, Mr. and Mrs. L. Kent. Other guests were the Fred Gillaspay family of Eldorado.

Present at a family reunion and Christmas celebration at Breckenridge were the Ira Glasscock family. The reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gurney, Mrs. Glasscock's aunt and uncle.

Guests of the Howard Faulks were their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Faught of Hobbs, New Mexico, who also visited other relatives in Mertzon. Local people who were dinner guests on Christmas Day were the Earl Hicks family.

The W. G. Godwins had as guests on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Mrs. Godwin's sister Mrs. Ann Cowart and daughter Cynthia, and a friend, Miss Frances Cary of San Angelo.

Mrs. W. H. Graves and niece Shelia Harrison spent the night of the 24th with Mrs. Graves' parents and other relatives in Uvalde, and all went on to Eagle Pass Christmas morning to visit other relatives.

Guests of the Fred Furrs on Christmas Day were their daughter Freddie and children of Eldorado and Mrs. Furr's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Savola Bolt of Mason.

All of the children of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ashmore except the son son J. D. Jr., who is in service overseas, spent Christmas here with the home folks. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Spencer and family of Eldorado, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gay Kinnerly and family of Brady. Mr. and Mrs. John T. Hodges and son of Seymour, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Gray of Anthony, N. M., Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Terry of San Angelo, Billy and his family of Fort Worth, and Mrs. J. D. Ashmore Junior and family of Eldorado. All returned home except the Grays; Mr. Gray is a driving instructor in the school system at Anthony and had a longer vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bierwschwale spent from Wednesday through Sunday in Fredericksburg with relatives of both. On the preceding weekend they had as guests an uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. A. Krikoriam of Holly, Michigan, and Mr. Bierwschwale's father Max Bierschwale of Fredericksburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Biggs had as holiday guests their college sons, Truman of SAC, and Glenn of Baylor. All spent Christmas in San Angelo with Earline—Mrs. Bob McElroy and her family.

The Walter Barclays had as guests for Christmas their children, Mr. and Mrs. Spud Smith and son of Eldorado and Mr. and Mrs. Odean Brown and son of College Station and Mrs. Barclay's sister Mrs. Arlis McCarty and family of Mason.

The Walter Barclay family and Herma B. Whitten went to Richland Springs, Llano and Mason to visit relatives during the week end.

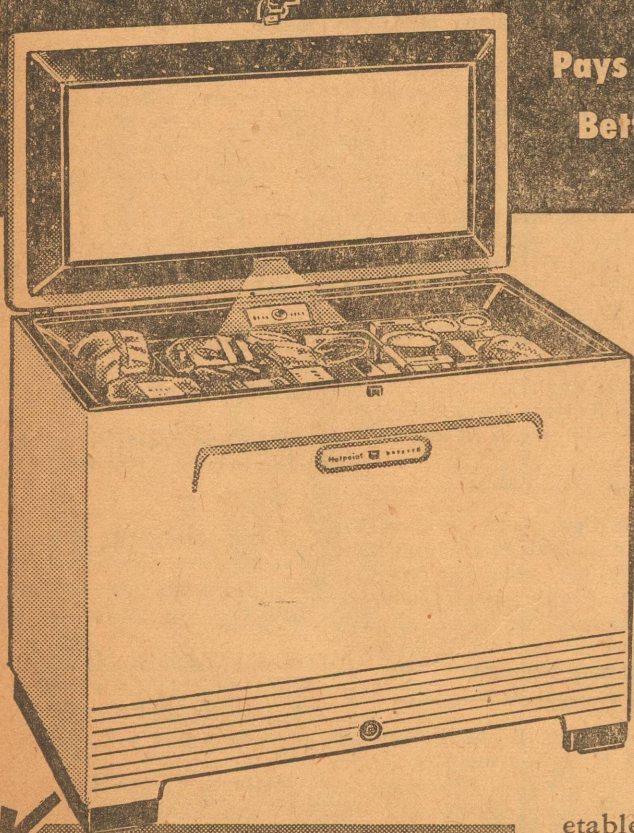
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Andrews spent the day Sunday in London with Mr. Andrews' mother.

"FREEZE" THOSE FOOD BILLS!

NEW

Hotpoint

Bonus Space Food Freezer



Pays for itself in food savings!
Better living costs you less!

• STORES 389 LBS. OF FOOD. This 11-cu.-ft. Hotpoint takes less floor space than ever. Long-lasting, sanitary porcelain-steel lining. Counterbalanced, locking lid—lift-out baskets—table-top height—5-year Protection Plan.

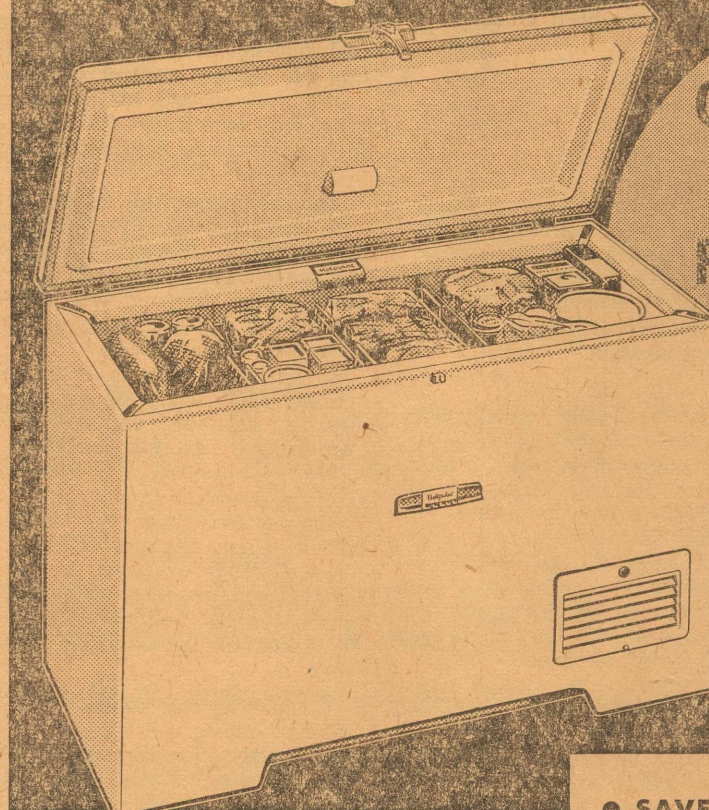
• Yes, better living for your family will actually cost you less. Buy in quantity when foods are cheapest. Freeze garden fruits and vegetables. Bake two pies or cakes at once, and freeze one. Save time, too, in fewer shopping trips. Come in—see this new 1953 bonus space Hotpoint Freezer today!

ENJOY BETTER LIVING AT LESS COST!

NEW

Hotpoint

FOOD FREEZERS



Good Meals
in a Hurry!
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Personal News Items

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Alexander went to Austin, accompanied by John and Bubba, to spend Christmas with Mrs. Alexander's parents Mr. and Mrs. John Clark, and the boys remained there for a longer visit, returning home Friday. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Clark and family of Thorndale, a brother, met them there.

The families of two Eldorado sisters, Mrs. Claude Meador and Mrs. D. E. DeLong, gathered on Christmas Day for their annual gift exchange and Christmas dinner at the Methodist Church. Present in addition to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Meador and Mrs. DeLong were Lt. Col. Morehouse and his family, who are moving from the West Coast to Washington, D. C., where he is to be stationed; Edward Meador and his family of Eldorado, Jack Meador and family of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Harper and children, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Wolfe and son of Dallas and Myrta Bob of SAC, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. DeLong of San Angelo, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fowler. Eight of the family were absent this year.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Newlin on Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Caudill and daughter Sylvia, and Mr. and Mrs. O. C. James and Newlin, all of Big Spring.

Their college children and others visited Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Gregory during the Christmas holidays. Here during Christmas week were Mr. and Mrs. Ward Gregory and son David of Texas City, Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Gregory of the University of Illinois, at Urbana, Ill., Phil of the Texas State University, Mrs. O. C. Gaines and daughter Catherine and son John Will of Oklahoma City, and Sue Hill, a niece, of San Angelo. Phil is still here, and Kirk and his wife went on to New Braunfels but will visit here again before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Baker spent Christmas Day in El Paso with their son Buddy, who is stationed there at Fort Bliss.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Davis had as dinner guests on Christmas Day Clarence Davis of Valparaiso, Ind., Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Davis and family of San Angelo, Judge and Mrs. E. W. Craig, Pinkney, Marianne, Charlene Adkinson, Martha Frances Parker, Mrs. Annie Craig, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Davis, Mary Lee and Marguerite Davis of Fort Worth.

Mrs. W. J. Warren and Carmon visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Davis Saturday.

Guests of the Earl Catheys Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Donald Patton and son R. A. of Menard and Mav Lovelace of Eden.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cathey spent Christmas in San Angelo with Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Cathey, Earl's brother.

Members of the family returning home after a Christmas visit with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bailey Montgomery in San Antonio were Jack Montgomery and his family, Billy Edmiston and family, and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Montgomery.

Gene Lewis, a Baptist missionary pastor from Missouri, and his wife spent Monday with their aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. John Michalsky and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hearn Moore of San Antonio spent Christmas with the B. E. Moores.

The Elton McGinnes family spent Christmas with Mrs. McGinnes' parents at Tennyson and on Sunday attended the McGinnes family reunion at Menard.

Rubel Aldridge and his family of Austin spent Christmas week with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Mitchell, returning home Sunday.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Mittel on Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Perry, Mrs. Mittel's parents, and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Perry Jr., and children, her brother and his family, of San Angelo.

The Andy Nixon family spent Christmas at Hobbs, New Mexico, returning home Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Newport and daughter returned recently from Cyril, Oklahoma, where they visited relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mund had as Christmas guests Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Bigby of Ballinger, Mr. and Mrs. D'Eon Priest and baby of O'Brien, Kumler Mund and Gretchen Mund. Arthur Junior who is stationed at Fort Sam Houston, arrived home Monday on a three-day pass.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. King of San Antonio spent the holidays with Mr. King's sister Mrs. C. O. Neff and her family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Newlin and Mrs. Fred Logan and two daughters spent New Year's in Big Spring with relatives.

Mrs. Johnnie O'Harrow had as a Christmas week guest her mother, Mrs. Homer Seals of Seminole, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Martin and son spent Christmas in Mason with relatives.

Mrs. J. H. Luedcke spent from Monday to Wednesday in Odessa with a daughter, Mrs. T. S. Redford.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim O'Harrow and son Jimmie have gone to Laredo to spend a week with Mr. O'Harrow's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Ahrens.

Visitors in the Sam Oglesby home during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Everett Lovelace of Brownwood, Preston Oglesby of San Angelo, and Mrs. R. L. Carruthers of San Angelo.

A. J. Atkins is reported to be doing well at the Shannon Hospital in San Angelo, where he is being treated. Mrs. Atkins was also hospitalized for a day or two with a severe cold but is much improved.

Mrs. G. E. Berry of Ft. Worth has been spending several days with her daughter Mrs. Horace Linthicum and her family.

Mr. and Mrs. Van O'Harrow had as Christmas Eve and Christmas Day guests their daughter Mrs. A. E. Wooten and her family of San Angelo.

Mrs. Dora Oliver has returned from Austin where she spent a month with relatives. Last Sunday her grand daughter and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Homeyer and children Fred Charles and Billy Polk of Austin, spent the day with her.

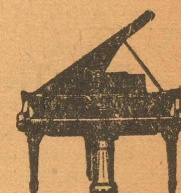
Mrs. Pat O'Harrow spent the holidays in Menard with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Pruett.

Mrs. George Marriott of Slaton is here to visit her grand daughter Mrs. Tyrrell Conway and her family who moved recently from the Oliver apartment to the Otto Mund house.

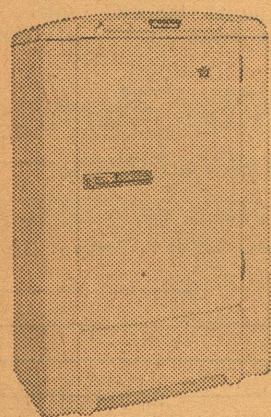
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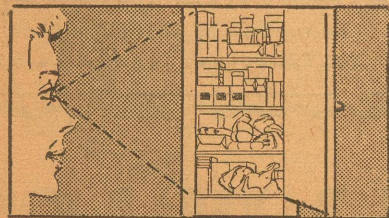
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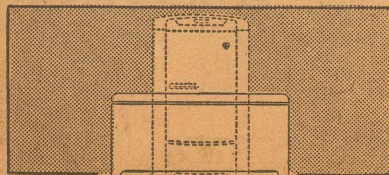
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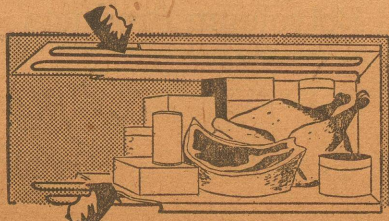
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PARK ROW
—First Run Picture—
Gene Evan Mary Welch
Herbert Heyes

Saturday, January 3
Untamed Women
—First Run Picture—
Michael Conrad Doris Merrick
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Sunday, Monday, January 4 & 5
BIG TREES
First Run — Technicolor
Kirk Douglas Patricia Wymore

Tuesday, Wednesday, January 6-7
When In Rome
Van Johnson Paul Douglas

Thursday, Friday, January 8 & 9
Strange World
1st Run
Angelica Hauff, Alexander Parlos

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Personal News Items

Guests in the Earl Parker home during the holidays were Mr. Parker's parents Mr. and Mrs. Jess Walker and a niece Joy Dodd, of London.

The Gene Parkers had as a guest on Christmas their son Luther of Odessa.

Here for a Christmas Day visit with the Eddie Peels were their son Douglas Peel and his family, also Mr. and Mrs. Perry Johnson. Later in the morning Douglas and his family and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Peel drove to Brady for a Christmas Day visit with other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Kuykendall met their daughter Louise at San Angelo on the 23rd and brought her to their home out at Cooper Lease for a holiday visit. Her sister Jean accompanied her home to visit with her and also with an aunt in Ft. Worth.

Lum Davis returned home Monday from San Angelo where he had surgery recently.

Billie Heygood visited from Wednesday to Sunday in Corpus Christi with a sister.

The Glynn Edmondsons moved recently to Marfa.

Mrs. Mattie Cozzens accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bradley to Midland to visit her son Wallis and his family, returning home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Bailey brought Mrs. A. K. Bailey home after the holidays, and went on to Rising Star to attend a family reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Humphrey spent Christmas with Mrs. Humphrey's brother-in-law and sister, Col. and Mrs. Temple Holland and were joined there by another sister and her husband, Col. and Mrs. Harvey Lumpkin of Dallas. They returned home Sunday.

Bob Lester, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lester, has recovered from an attack of double pneumonia. Mrs. Lester's mother of Lubbock has been visiting the family.

Martha Jean Hunt was on the sick list during the holidays. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hunt.

Mrs. E. E. Thompson had major surgery Wednesday in San Angelo. Her sister Mrs. E. E. Pritchett of Houston is with her.

The Quentin Dunn family, returned Saturday from Moulton and Brenham, where they visited relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Huber returned recently from Chestnut where they visited a daughter and other relatives and friends.

The J. C. McCoy family went to Brady to visit Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McCoy and family. All of the children were at home. They also visited relatives of Mrs. McCoy.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom McGill had as guests Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Clark of Kerrville. Another guest in the home was Wayne McGill, at home on a 11-day furlough; he is stationed at Tinker Field, Oklahoma City.

Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Neill and daughter of Odessa visited Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McAngus. Mrs. Arthur Real of San Antonio also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McAngus and Mr. and Mrs. John Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. John Miller and children spent Christmas in Ballinger with relatives, and John and his brother Robert of A&M went deer hunting.

H. M. Alagood of Miles spent Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. Ray Tisdale and family.

Misses Mary Tisdale and Dale West attended a formal dance in Ballinger Tuesday night given by Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Herring in honor of their daughters Susan and Lynn Herring.

Mrs. Lizzie McAngus returned recently from Austin, where she spent a month with her sister, during the sister's stay in the hospital. She may return there some time in January.

Mrs. Eldon McAngus of Abilene visited Mrs. Lizzie McAngus recently. Bonnie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross McAngus, also is visiting Mrs. McAngus.

Mrs. W. H. McClatchey returned Christmas Day from the hospital in San Angelo, then had relapse Monday and was taken back for further treatment for her severe cold.

Mrs. J. L. Joiner and Wilson Joiner and family of San Angelo spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McLaughlin. Mr. McLaughlin has been spending much of his time in San Angelo since his father G. S. McLaughlin age 70, was taken to Shannon Hospital following a heart attack.

Ray and John R. Jones drove to Houston and brought home their mother, who had been visiting in the W. A. Schuller home there. Mrs. Vista Courmier of Vinton, La., is with her mother this week.

The J. D. Meadors spent Wednesday and Christmas Day in San Antonio with relatives, and on Friday morning went on to Corpus Christi, to visit other relatives. They were back in Eldorado Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Kerr had as guests on Christmas Mr. Kerr's brother George Kerr of Houston and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Granville Kerr and family of San Antonio, and J. T. and his family of San Angelo, also several local relatives.

J. C. Johnson and Cecil, and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Johnson Jr., visited in San Angelo on Christmas Day with their daughter and sister Mrs. Raymond Lyn.

Christmas Day guests in the home of Mrs. M. M. Reynolds were Mrs. Gertrude Johnson of the Rudd Community, Mrs. Auta Mae Bradshaw and Gene, Mrs. Arnie Westbrook and family, Frank Reynolds and family, Miss Lottie Reynolds, and Reuben.

Guests in the Houston Thigpen home on Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. B. Arthur of Abilene, and Geraldine of San Antonio, Mrs. Frank Crawford of Brady, and Frank Crawford Jr. of Big Lake, whose children Carol and Kay, are spending the week with the Thigpens because of the illness of their mother.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Steward were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Steward and three children of Rockwood, who were here for Christmas. Here for New Year's are Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Steward, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McAngus of Kerrville, and Mrs. Walter Weems and two children of Midland.

The Clovis Taylor family visited in Rockwood where 43 had a family dinner and gift exchange from the tree.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Tom Williams had as holiday guests Mr. and Mrs. Harold Williams and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Williams and Gary, Mr. and Mrs. David Williams and Connie and Sue, Mrs. Flossie Manning and Billy of Amarillo, who were here several days. Joining the group on Christmas were Fay Williams of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Williams and Nell and Ruth, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Davis of Lohn, and Mrs. R. E. Davis of Abilene. Later two cars of relatives took a trip into Old Mexico.

Mrs. C. H. DeLongue of San Antonio has been visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Otto Sauer. Mr. and Mrs. Sauer, Mrs. Milton Faught and Gertrude Sauer of San Angelo visited relatives at Doss, and met Mrs. DeLongue in Fredericksburg, Friday. A family dinner was served at the Otto Sauer home Sunday to the children and their families from Schleicher County, and Mrs. DeLongue, Miss Gertrude Sauer, and Mr. and Mrs. William Sauer of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Thad Dildine spent the Christmas holidays in Johnson City and while there erected a memorial at the grave of their daughter Lorraine, who passed away last December 8. The Dildines have their grandson Dean Ellis as their guest this week, from San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. McAlpine and Juanita and Harlan and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Crider visited relatives in Sherwood on Christmas Day.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF SCHLEICHER

Pursuant to an order passed by the Commissioners Court of Schleicher County, Texas, during a Special Term dated December 22, 1952, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the Commissioners Court of Schleicher County, Texas, will again convene in a Special Session, Monday, January 19th, 1953, at the Court House in Schleicher County, Texas at which time they will receive and consider bids on the following road building contract.

The building of a two and two-tenths (2.2) mile paved road located in the Huddale oil field and being the dirt road now connecting highway 277 in Section 66, Block TT and extending two and two-tenths (2.2) miles east into the Huddale oil field. The specifications for said paved road to conform to the State specifications of a Farm to Market highway.

The Commissioners Court of Schleicher County, Texas reserves the right to reject any and all bids. WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE this 31st day of December 1952.

E. W. Craig
County Judge,
Schleicher County, Texas
(SEAL) Attest:
H. T. Finley
County Clerk
Schleicher County, Texas
(Jan 1-8-15)

Engagement Announced



Wallie Henrietta Gerlich

Mrs. W. H. Gerlich of New Braunfels, Texas, announces the engagement of her daughter, Wallie Henrietta, to Charles Henry Mund son of Mrs. Frances Mund of Eldorado, Texas, and C. M. Mund of San Angelo. No definite date has been set for the wedding.

ROCK CHURCH OF CHRIST

Bible classes each Lords day at 10:00 a. m., for people of all ages. Morning worship at 10:55. The sermon topic will be "Is Church Attendance Essential?"

The Herald of Truth can be heard each Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. This is a good opportunity to hear the gospel preached.

Evening service will be at seven o'clock. The sermon topic will be "Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep."

Womens Bible class each Monday afternoon at three o'clock.

Devotional services each Wednesday evening at seven o'clock.

We cordially invite everyone to attend any or all these services. If you have Bible questions to ask, we will be glad to give you Bible answers.

Quentin A. Dunn, Minister.

First Baptist News

The month of December was a pretty good month. We averaged 208 in Sunday School and 104 in Training Union. Our offering to our budget through the Sunday school envelopes was \$1097.48. We had eight additions to the church. Our average Sunday school attendance for 1952 was 194. Our goal was 200 in '52. I feel that we could have reached this goal had just a few of us done a little more. This is an increase of 12 over 1951. We averaged 182 in Sunday school in 1951. Our high month was October with a naverage of 237. Our high day was October 12 with 258 in Sunday school. Taking all in all we have had a good year in 1952. We asked the Lord for 75 additions. We have had 76 so far this year. Our motto must ever be, "Hats off to the past, coats off to the future."

Brother Darwin Welsh and Brother Nelson families wish to express our deepest thanks to all the people for the many lovely Christmas gifts and beautiful Christmas cards that we received during this past Christmas season. May we take this opportunity, not only to say thanks, but also, to wish for each and all of you God's richest blessings on you and yours for this coming year.

Don't forget our New Years Eve watch party Wednesday evening. Regular prayer services at 7:00 p.m. Officers and teachers meeting at 7:45. Watch services begin at 8:15. There will be a variety of service with devotional, relaxation, refreshment, inspiration, and we will all be in prayer as the old year goes away and the new year comes in. This is a wonderful service for all of us and we give each of you a cordial invitation to be with us for this service. Come to pray and stay.

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS. We will need every member to be present Sunday, January 4, to help us go over the top on our budget. Sunday is V day. Victory for Christ and His cause. We are trusting that after this service we will have our budget well on its way to subscription. Will you join us Sunday to help us over the top?

CALLING SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS: Our Sunday school workers' conference will meet at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 6th. This is a vital meeting. The Junior Department will be in charge of the devotional and setting up of tables. Supper will be at 7:00 p.m. and the program will begin at 7:50. It is expedient that everyone who is vitally interested in our Sunday school program be present. Our goal is 75 present. Mark your calendar right now and pledge yourself as one interested in Sunday school that you will be at this service.

Visiting the Grady Coopers over the holidays were their children Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Adams and Miss Bobbie Cooper of San Antonio. The Adamses returned home Saturday and Miss Bobbie will remain until after New Year's.

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Mrs. Reeves, who has an apartment at the Mrs. Lizzie McAngus Albert Nixon spent Christmas in home, returned this week from San Angelo with C. F. and his Kansas, where she visited relatives. family.



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They returned to Eldorado to make their home temporarily in an apartment at the residence of the bride's sister Mrs. Pat McAlpine. Both Mr. and Mrs. Halbert are employed in the business district of Eldorado.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Woodward, was reared here and is a graduate of EHS. The groom, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Halbert, is also a graduate of the local high school, and returned from service in the latter part of the summer, after serving with the 40th Infantry for about a year in Japan and eight or nine months in Korea.

Honored On Anniversary

Honoring her parents Mr. and Mrs. Perry Johnson on their 59th wedding anniversary, and also honoring Mrs. Annie Craig whose wedding date was the same day, Mrs. Eddie Peel entertained with a dinner at the Johnson home Saturday night.

Present for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Perry Johnson, Mrs. Craig, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Peel, Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Cox of Mertzon, the Elvis Craig family, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Parker and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Biggs.

WOMAN'S SOCIETY MEETS WITH MRS. ORAN ENOCHS

Mrs. Oran Enoch's will be hostess to the Woman's Society of the Calvary Baptist church at her home Friday afternoon, beginning at 2:00. The newly organized church reports good services at both morning and evening hours last Sunday at the courthouse, temporary meeting place of the group. Rev. F. H. Pryor is pastor.

LIBRARY NEWS

"Confessors of the Name" by Schmitt; "The River Garden of Pure Repose" by Boynton; "House of Earth" by Wilson are the newest guild books.

Other new books are: "The Secret of the Musical Tree" by Sutton given by Donna Beth McCormick; "Mark Twain Boy of Old Missouri" by Mason; "Hoosier Boy James Whitcomb Riley" by Mitchell; "The Caine Mutiny" by Wouk, given by Mrs. Sidney Gaynor.

The library has just purchased an Encyclopedia of Texas in two volumes, published by the Texas Historical Society, and "The Three Musketeers" by Dumas.

These memorial books are now ready for circulation: "The Blind Bull" by Williams given by Mrs. Grace Weems for Cleve Jones Jr.; "Great Expectations" by Dickens in memory of W. A. Davis; "A Christmas Carol" by Dickens in memory of J. B. Christian; "Adventures of Oliver Twist" by Dickens in memory of Frank Bradley; and "Hard Times" by Dickens in memory of B. K. Cheek. These four volumes of Dickens were given by Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Willoughby.

SINGING AT BLAYLOCKS

About 25 gathered Saturday night at the W. A. Blaylock place for a singing, with Mrs. Ovid Wade as pianist. Jerry of Dallas and Ebbagene of Waco were both here for the holidays and sponsored the singing. Ebbagene had as a holiday guest her room mate Nan Young of Ballinger; the two went to Del Rio to visit other school friends.

Gerald Hartgraves and family visited his parents at Maryneal on Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Menees and family spent Christmas with relatives in Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Booth of Austin spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Solon Booth.

Guests of Mrs. T. F. Green during the holidays were Carroll Green of Lake Charles, Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Green and children of Cleveland, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Green of Baird, Odell Green of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Green and son of Sonora, and Lt. Tommy Green of San Marcos.

Mrs. L. L. Steward of McAllen and son Lynn of Fort Hood, former Eldorado residents, visited briefly this week with Mrs. Mabel Parker, Mrs. Luke Thompson, and other friends in Eldorado. Mr. Steward, who was formerly on McIntosh Ranch, is now managing a farm in the Valley.

Ramona Dildine is spending the holidays with her sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Ellis in San Angelo.

Mrs. Ed Hill is much improved after her illness, and is able to be in town when the weather permits.

Mrs. Gene Horton of Ft. Worth was here for the holidays and left Saturday for home, accompanied by her grand daughter Susan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jo Ed Hill.

News From Our Neighbors

Life Is "Restored"

J. E. Evans, 67, Ozona trash hauler, was restored to life by a rare cardiac resuscitation operation performed by a San Angelo surgeon Tuesday morning after being "dead" for several minutes.

Evans was being given anesthetic preparatory to undergoing an operation for removal of a growth in his nose. His heart stopped beating and the surgeon, a heart specialist, made an opening between the patient's ribs and massaged the heart until it resumed normal beating. Meanwhile, oxygen and heart stimulating drugs were being administered. —Ozona Stockman.

New Card Idea

You couldn't convince the post-office employees here that the drouth has made any dent in the usual volume of Christmas mail, but one clever Ozona couple used the drouth as a theme to produce one of the local well-appreciated novelties.

Handwritten on a ragged piece of wall paper, the greeting card reads:

What, no Christmas cards?
'Twould never do at all!
But we've had a drouth this year
Hence the paper off the wall!
Merry Christmas!
Happy New Year!
—Ozona Stockman

Good Rain Total

Mason County will show at least 27.21 inches of rain for 1952. That was the total up to this morning, and any moisture between now and Jan. 1 can be added to what has already been officially recorded by Grady Steen, local weather observer.

The latest rain was Friday when 1.14 inches was recorded. —Mason County News.

Highway Improved

Further improvement on U. S. 67, the primary trafficway between the southwest part of Texas and the Fort Worth-Dallas area, was nearing reality this week with receipt of bids by the Texas Highway Commission on a new bridge and curve re-location at the Middle Concho River 12 miles west of San Angelo.

A Graham firm was low bidder, with \$243,952 on the job, and in line for the contract. A new bridge across the Middle Concho and straightening of about 2 miles of road will add to the safety and speed traffic on the Tom Green County portion of the highway.

A narrow bridge with a curve at the west end has been the site of many traffic accidents and numerous fatalities in years gone by. —Big Lake Wildcat.

Suit Is Filed

A long-anticipated civil suit destined to make legal history was filed Tuesday morning in 83rd District Court, with Pecos County Water Improvement District No. 1 as the plaintiff, and owners and lessors of various pump-farm projects south and west of Fort Stockton as the defendants.

The suit seeks to establish the permanent and prior right of the Water District's land owners to the underground waters of the Comanche Creek watershed, and petitions for an injunction against alleged diversion of waters by the pumping well owners and operators. —Fort Stockton Pioneer.

Cattle Are Thin

A couple of Kimble County ranchers were discussing the eternal question of grass.

"Just how bad are things over on your ranch?" asked one.
"Pretty tough," replied the other. "Our cattle are so thin we use carbon paper and brand two at a time." —Junction Eagle.

P. O. Is First Class

The Fort Stockton Postoffice will become a first-class office on the basis of sales volume for 1952.

The local office passed the \$40,000 mark with Monday's business, reports Postmaster C. R. Wiley, and another thousand or so dollars of postage sales is expected before the end of the month with the final rush of Christmas mailing, and with the last-minute "stocking up" of business concerns on postage for the month end.

A new accounting procedure will result from the new classification, as well as new regulations on parcel post mailings. —Fort Stockton Pioneer.

New Sun Pipeline

The Pipeline Division of Sun Oil Company has completed a new 35-mile stretch of 8-inch pipeline extending from Silver to China Grove in Scurry County. The line is capable of handling 900 barrels of oil per hour.

At China Grove it joins the 26-inch line which Sun and Gulf has constructed from Longview to Midland. A junction at Wortham connects with a line leading to Port Arthur. —Robert Lee Observer.

Stuck In Mud

Quite a number of cars got stuck in the mud on the Mertzon fresh graded streets last Friday morning, but they were still able to smile.

You see it has been a long time since they have had that helpless feeling one gets when they get stuck in the mud.

The city commission had just finished dragging two of the main traveled streets when the rains came, and to make things even worse they had been watering them. That and the rain made them virtually impassable, but a few ventured forth and were there until they were pulled out by some one. —Mertzon Weekly Star.

Bridge Approved

A new bridge over Alpine creek, on State Highway 223, Alpine loop road, has been approved by the Texas Highway Dept. in a program of work that will be carried out during the next two years with combined state and federal funds, it was announced this week.

The bridge is to replace the old steel girder double bridge, moved from Highway 118 on North Fifth street a number of years ago and which is considered a traffic hazard, it was stated.

Included in the two-year program also, and previously announced in the Avalanche, is improvement of Highway 118 from Alpine north to the Jeff Davis county line. All of the right-of-way, 120 feet in width, has been secured by the county for this project and fences moved to conform to highway regulations. It is expected that this work will be done some time next year. —Alpine Avalanche.

Personal News Items

E. T. Johnson and his family of Midland spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Johnson and Elaine remained for a longer visit with her grandparents.

Mrs. Jack Jones and children spent three weeks in Ft. Worth with relatives. Jack drove after them last week and brought them home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Jones had as holiday guests in their home Mr. and Mrs. Joe Reynolds and Ronnie and Mackie of Roswell, N. M., Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lucas and Jamie of Ft. Worth, Mrs. Bernice Sammons, counselor at Hockaday School at Dallas, Bubba Sammons of A & M, and Mr. and Mrs. George Kerr of Houston. Mrs. Reynolds and sons remained for a longer visit.

Here for the holidays as guests in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Koy, were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Childress of Roswell, N. Mex., and Mr. and Mrs. Paul M. Hallcomb, of Ozona.

The Gilbert Lowe family spent Christmas in Llano with Gilbert's mother and in Junction with Mrs. Lowe's grandmother.

Miss Mary Hoover of Dallas, spent from Tuesday through Christmas day with her parents Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Hoover.

Rev. and Mrs. Jim Hays of Brookshire stopped here to spend the week end with Mrs. Myrtle Williams and other friends in Eldorado. They also attended both services at the First Baptist Church of which Rev. Hays is a former pastor. They had been visiting relatives at Goldthwaite and expected to visit Mr. and Mrs. Jack Whitley at Ozona before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Henderson had as guests during the week end their cousins Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Henderson of San Angelo. J. E. recently returned from overseas, and is being transferred to Phoenix

Mrs. Ray Murkison and Mrs. Bill Brown of Odessa visited recently with their sister, Mrs. Ed Hill.

Jackie Henderson of Texas Tech is at home for the holidays.

Miss Miltia Hill of Alpine is here to visit her parents Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Hill.

Rev. and Mrs. Clarence Smith of Ft. Worth visited Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Logan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mace and daughters Iretta Fae and Paula Jo spent from Wednesday through Sunday with out of town relatives. At Ft. Worth they visited Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Mace and family and at Hedley they visited Mrs. Mace's father W. T. Floyd.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hale and sons spent Christmas in Iran with relatives.

Mrs. George Williams has gone to China Lake, California, to visit her daughter Mrs. Margaret Craig.

Mrs. Victor Sauer and Cassie spent Christmas in San Angelo with relatives, while Victor and the boys went to Doss, Fredericksburg, Blanco and other places.

Miss Ruth Shelton met her brother at Stanford and spent four days there, returning to Eldorado Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bearce and daughter Mrs. Carroll Sproul, and Mrs. Eddie Peel attended the funeral of Ollie William Cox, 23, Wednesday at Sweetwater. Young Cox, who crashed to death in his plane near Sweetwater, was a relative of the Bearces and Peels.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Doyle Friday were Paul Davis and his family of Waco, Wallace and his family of Alpine, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Powers and family of Independence, Kansas, and Elsie Davis of Alpine. The Doyles' daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Cunningham arrived here Tuesday night for a brief visit before moving to Artesia, New Mexico.

The Delbert Taylor family spent five days of Christmas week with relatives in Coleman.

Mrs. J. E. Tisdale had as holiday guests Tuesday Mrs. Vester Hughes and Vester Jr. of Mertzon, F. M. Pool and family of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Prugel and family of Sonora, and Mr. and Mrs. Virge Tisdale, all of whom were dinner guests, others joining them later in the day. Vester Jr., who is in the military department at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va., will leave Saturday to return to school.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Ringle spent Christmas Week in Texon with the former's brother, then went to Ballinger to spend the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reece, Mrs. Ringle's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Page spent the holidays at Callahan, Texas, with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brittain, brother and sister-in-law of Mrs. Page.

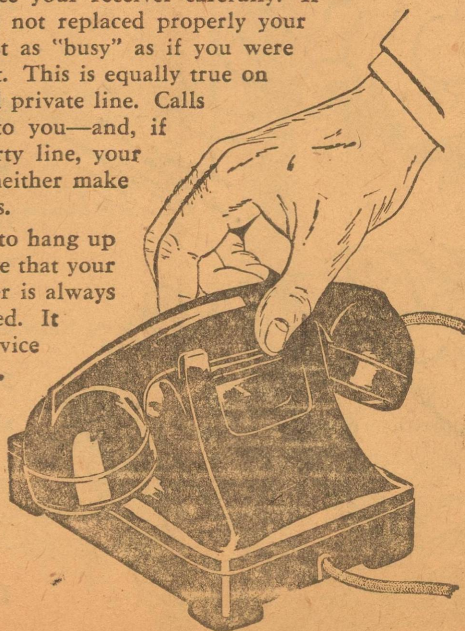
Mrs. Robert Sproul and daughter Mary spent the weekend in Temple with Dr. and Mrs. James Guthrie.

The C. C. Townsends spent Christmas in San Angelo with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Locke and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Townsend. They report a good day, with most of the children at home.

How to Keep Your Telephone From Being "BUSY" . . . Doing Nothing

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In Home Ceremony Couple Wed Last Night

Mrs. Alma Harvey, daughter of Mrs. J. H. Luedecke of this city, was married at 9:00 New Year's Eve, in San Angelo, to Boots Corbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Corbell of San Angelo. The ceremony was performed in the family home at 522 North Bishop, San Angelo, the Rev. Henley, pastor of Immanuel Baptist church, officiating.

For the ceremony the bride wore a two-piece silk suit in dusty rose with black accessories, and her corsage was of white gardenias. The couple were married before the fireplace in the family living room, white glads and white tapers providing the decorations for the mantel.

The couple's only attendants were the groom's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Corbell. For the ceremony Mrs. Corbell wore a red suit with black accessories, and her corsage was white.

A reception followed. The dining table was laid with a white lace cloth, centered with a bride and groom surrounded with greenery. Refreshments were served to Mrs. J. H. Luedecke, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Mayo, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Draper, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Doty, and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Estes of Eldorado; Mr. and Mrs. Bob McElroy, Jonnie Corbell, and Billie Herring of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Malchek and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Corbell of Eola, in addition to the groom's parents. The wedding cake was topped with a miniature bride and groom.

The bride was reared in Eldorado, attended the schools of this city, graduated from high school here, and until recently had been employed at Ballew Drug Store, after a period of residence in San Angelo.

The groom attended school at Eola and Eldorado, and attended college in San Angelo. He started his naval training in 1942, and served four years, was recalled to active duty in 1950, and was discharged in 1952, after nearly two years in the Korean war area. At present he is employed in Eldorado with Delta Gulf.

The couple will rent an apartment in Eldorado for a short time, after which they will go to Spain with Delta Gulf employees for oil field work in that country.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Trentham were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barnwell of Selah, Washington, who were here a day last week, and Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Uherek and family of Pecos. Mr. Trentham, who has been working in Odessa two weeks, has returned home.

Duncan Wilson of Marfa spent Christmas Eve and Christmas Day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. DCO Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Neff have as guests this week Mrs. Neff's sister, Mrs. J. R. Gage and children Jean and Johnnie, of Brownwood.

College young people at home for the holidays were special guests and took part in the program, when the First Baptist church observed Student Recognition Day Sunday night. Rev. Darwin Welsh directed the youth choir.

Five WMU members taught the study book on Stewardship when the circles of the WMU met in all-day joint session at the First Baptist Church Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. A. H. Green and daughter Ethelene had as guests from Sunday through Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hendrix and Mrs. Gerald Jones and daughter of Crane. All spent Monday in Brownwood with Mrs. Fannie McClusky, Mrs. Green's sister-in-law, who is in the hospital.

Post Script

The type for this issue of the Success was put together on Wednesday night, Dec. 31st. We hope we haven't missed any important news items overnight, but if we have it's because we are printing a little early.

We couldn't cover the watch parties too well—there are three at local churches: Fundamental Baptist, First Baptist and Methodist, a bridge at Mrs. Gus Love's, a dance at Sonora—to mention a few.

Many of the business houses are closed for the day, New Year's Day.

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Litter Is Important In Poultry House

COLLEGE STATION — Good poultry management includes the use of adequate amounts of what-ever material is available. Such materials as wood shavings, cane pulp, peanut hulls, ground corn cobs and various types of straw all make suitable litter, says Moore. Litter is put into the house, explains the specialist, to insulate the cold floors in the winter and to make them cooler in the summer; as an aid in maintaining sanitary conditions by mixing with and covering the droppings and in preventing diseases and parasites.

Further, points out Moore, a good litter makes for comfort in the poultry house and especially important is the use of litter in the laying house. The lack of plenty of clean litter means unclean eggs will be gathered and that results in dockage when the eggs are marketed unless extra labor is used to clean them.

The litter in the poultry house must be kept dry and this cannot be done unless the house has a good roof; is properly ventilated; managed correctly; free from floor seepage; not over crowded and equipped with a good watering system.

Wet litter is a disease hazard and adds to the possibilities for parasite troubles, says Moore. Litter in the brooder and broiler houses should be cleaned out and replaced after each group of birds is removed from the house. The house should also be given a thorough cleaning and disinfecting between each brooding or broiler growing period.

In the laying house, Moore says, a shallow litter can be used if the house is cleaned frequently due to moisture conditions. Following this practice, however, increases labor needs and the cost of litter material. Moderately deep litter—from four to eight inches deep—may be used where moisture conditions do not create too much of a problem, but it must be stirred and when moisture from droppings and the water fountains wet areas excessively, these spots should be removed and replaced with dry material. The house should be cleaned when the litter begins to become unmanageable, says Moore.

Many of the larger egg producers who confine their layers to the house use a deep litter—from 8 to 12 inches — and by mixing lime or superphosphate with it or by feeding grain on the litter, maintain it in a satisfactory manner over a period of a year or more. New litter is always put in the house before a new pullet flock is housed.

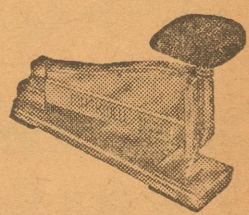
Finally, Moore says, proper location of the feeders and waterers in the house makes litter management easier. Moving feeders frequently will prevent a build-up of droppings around them and a drainage system to get water splashed from the fountains out of the house will help keep the litter dry. And allowing plenty of floor space per bird, simplifies the job of litter management adds Moore.

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REVIEW

(Continued From Front Page)

Company completed a prolific flowing well in the Neva West field of central north Schleicher.

June

5. Rev. Shilling moves to Big Lake and Doyle Morton sent to Eldorado Methodist Church, following annual conference. Pipe line crew now working in this county.

12. Route is mapped out for the Mertzon highway. Bible schools and revivals under way at churches.

19. Frank Prochaska moves to Kilgore. County committee getting ready for first primary election.

26. Primary election ballot is in hands of the printer. New county chairman is announced. Lions have installation night. Mias Amigas opens annual meeting today.

July

3. Dr. William H. Lindsey is on the job in Eldorado as the county's new M. D. His office is established in the Roach building, and he has been receiving patients since Tuesday morning.

The big Rancho pipeline which is being laid by the construction firm of Anderson Bros., continues to creep steadily across Schleicher County. The welding and painting crews passed the pumping station location some time last week.

10. Absentee voting under way. Standard gets biggest well in the Neva West field.

17. J. L. Ratliff starts building new apartment house. Candidates busy as election draws near.

24. All set for election Saturday. Paper full of instructions and last minute appeals. Car accident fatal to Richard Davis, 27.

31. Election returns show one new face in the county official family. Steel strike slows down pipe line work.

August

7. All set for home coming of Eldorado Exes. REA CoOp ready for annual meeting. Date set for bond issue for Mertzon road.

14. Absentee balloting starts for second primary. School gets delivery on new equipment.

21. Faculty and opening plans announced for school. Begin talking pool and con about the road bonds. 4H Club sheep show set for Friday.

28. Second primary is over. Thirteen new teachers announced for school. First bale of cotton comes in.

September

4. Record crowd present for opening of school. All set for road bond election Saturday. Interest running high.

11. Football season opens. District court set for Monday. Dr. Maginot gets call for military duty. Bonds pass 3 to 1.

18. Sale of Gaines County oil lease brings \$112,000 bonus to school fund here.

25. Plans being worked out for right of way on new road.

October

2. Hamburger Bill closes his stand and leaves for Masonic home.

9. Wildcats continue to be spotted all over the county. Texas Democrats for Ike organization is spreading over state. Eldoradoans take off for state fair.

16. Oil Progress Week is celebrated by Success with 18 page edition.

23. 1953 model Dodges go on sale. Eldorado Eagles continue losing streak. Drouth emergency hay coming in.

30. General election campaign draws near end. It's all about Ike and Adlai in this paper. Right of way contracts let.

November

6. Election returns! Ike wins in county, state and nation. Material arriving for road right of way. Three more producers added in the Huldale field.

13. Huldale field jumps south one mile when Sinclair McClatchey comes in.

20. Union Thanksgiving service sponsored by Ministerial Alliance. Williams shoe shop closes. New Plymouths on display.

27. Mrs. Jackson elected state vice president of PTA. Bailey Ranch area to get wildcat. More road improvements scheduled.

December

4. Christmas decorating contest announced by Clubs.

11. New Fords go on display tomorrow. Everybody engaged in holiday plans.

18. L. T. Wilsons to hold open house for Golden Wedding celebration.

25. First National Bank elects Geo. Long as new director. School buys new residence for superintendent. Churches close out holiday activities. It's all over but the shouting.

Happy New Year.

Personal News Items

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Baugh had as guests their daughter and family, the L. T. VanEmans of Marfa. Another daughter, Mrs. Jack Brown, was ill during the holidays and on Saturday afternoon had her appendix removed in a San Angelo hospital; her children are visiting the grandparents this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Joiner closed their news stand Wednesday and Thursday, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, and went to Midland to visit their son and his family. They returned home Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Sutton of Brady were holiday week visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cathey.

Here for a visit with the Will Doyles on Christmas were O. C. Hutcherson and son Bob of San Diego, California, a brother; Mrs. P. W. Yarbrough of Glenville, Ga. a sister; and Mr. and Mrs. Uel Kirby and daughter Peggy Joe of Monahans, another sister, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Doyle of Roby, and the couple's children who live here. Mr. and Mrs. Cramer Sofge and family, the W. C. Doyles, Kenneth Doyle and family, Ray and family, Mrs. R. L. Damron, Chester Damron, also Mrs. Ura Kinsey.

A large crowd, including the children and their families, gathered on the Sunday preceding Christmas for their Christmas supper and gift exchange from the tree, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Woodward. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Burl Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Pat McAlpine, Mrs. R. L. Nolen also all of the grandchildren. Present for the occasion were all of the children except Jimmie who is in the Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Woodward are spending New Year's in Brownwood with Mrs. Woodward's mother Mrs. Carrie McMullen.

Renters at Ashmores have been visiting out of town. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Nix, who live in a trailer visited in Kermit, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Wright, also trailer residents, visited in Comanche; Mr. and Mrs. James Towles, who live in an apartment, were guests of relatives at Borger and other places.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Alexander and Mrs. Lynn Alexander visited Sunday in Llano with nephews and their families, returning home via Brady where they visited other relatives.

The children visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Anderson for Christmas included Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kerr of Marlin, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kerr and son Larry of Port Neches, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Kerr and two daughters Beverly and Sylvia of San Angelo, and Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Kerr of Houston, who remained for a longer visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Alexander visited in Barstow with Mrs. Alexander's two sisters who live there and they were joined by another sister from El Paso.

Mrs. C. F. Griffith is spending the holidays with relatives in Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Bubba Thompson and daughter spent Christmas with relatives at Claude.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Finley and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Page have been visiting in Marfa, and attended the wedding of Nancy Jones, a relative.

Mr. and Mrs. James Page have returned from a holiday visit in Ft. Sumner, New Mexico, with Mrs. Page's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Donaldson and sons spent the day on Christmas in Odessa with their daughter Mrs. Milton Harris and her family.

Mrs. Ben Isaacs has been spending the holidays with her sister Mrs. Bertha Shugart in Dallas.

Lewis Ballev has been hospitalized in San Angelo with a shoulder injury.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Crosby and their daughter Grace, SAC student, spent Christmas in Christoval with Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Williams and Sunday in Sonora with Mrs. R. D. Nance.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Jackson spent several days in Bertram with Mrs. Jackson's relatives, and came on to Menard to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Jackson. Others there were J. T. Jackson Jr. and family and the Curtis Stockton family of this county.

Mrs. Edwin Jackson will attend the State Board of Managers' meeting of the State Congress of Parents and Teachers at Austin next week. She will be accompanied to Austin Sunday by Mr. Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Morgan and Mr. and Mrs. Lilburn Hazelwood and son were in Ft. Worth for the holidays visiting relatives. All of the family were at home for the first time in many years.

Grover Joiner and Ray Boyer made a business trip to Ft. Worth Monday, returning home Tuesday.

Mrs. Dorothy Evans has been on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Boyer and children spent Christmas in Eden at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stoepler. Also there were Mr. and Mrs. Victor Kent of this county.

Dinner guests in the Sandy Donaldson home on Christmas Day were Mr. and Mrs. Desmond King and children of Brady, and Mrs. R. W. King and Mr. and Mrs. Orland Harris and children of Eldorado.

Mrs. Lewis Smith and her family of Sonora spent the day Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Donaldson.

The Harvey Dunhe'n family of San Angelo spent a few hours with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Dannheim and other relatives in the county. Lawrence was also a visitor in their home overnight.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Speck had as guests on Christmas their sons, Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Speck of Rocksprings and Henry Jr. and his family of Eldorado, and Mrs. Speck's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Dannheim.

Mrs. Kenneth Cheek and two sons visited during the holidays in Uvalde with relatives.

Here from Tucson, Arizona, for a visit with Mrs. B. K. Cheek and other local relatives are Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cheek.

Among those who visited Mrs. J. B. Christian during the holidays were the Jack Elder family, who were dinner guests on Christmas Mr. and Mrs. Wesley McAlpine of Ft. Stockton and Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Williams of Midland.

The Owen Frys left on the 22nd for a three-day visit in San Saba with Mrs. Kate Fry. They were met there by Mrs. Fry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. West and two children of Round Rock.

Major and Mrs. A. A. Kohler of Wichita Falls were guests of Mrs. Kohler's brother, Eldon Calk and his family recently.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clarke for the Christmas holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Neville Pressley Clarke of College Station, who also visited Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Patterson; Miss May Clarke and Miss Elizabeth Clarke of Waco.

The Lee Crenwelge family spent several days in Ozona and Fredericksburg, returning home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Dameron had as guests Mr. and Mrs. Fred McElroy of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Sandy Donaldson spent Sunday in Calf Creek with relatives.

The Eldon Calk family spent Christmas out of town with relatives. They were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Dewberry at Brownwood, all of the children being present, and had supper in Coleman with Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Calk, Eldon's parents, who had most of their children with them.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Browder had as guests on Christmas their children and families from San Angelo: Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hayden and son and Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Capps and son. The boys remained for a longer visit with their grandparents.

Mrs. Mattie Bruton and daughter Mary moved during the holidays to their new residence in the west part of town.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Bryant had as guests their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Rogge and daughters of Sonora, who had spent Christmas in Rowena with Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Rogge, and came to Eldorado Thursday evening, to remain through Sunday. Mrs. Bryant served a Christmas dinner Saturday.

Chester Biggs, Jr., of Howard Payne, and Vera Fae Biggs of San Angelo were here for the holidays to visit Mr. and Mrs. Chester Biggs.

The B. L. Blakeway family spent the weekend with Mr. Blakeway's mother in San Angelo, and also visited other relatives there.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Frank Blaylock had as guests for Christmas Mrs. Blaylock's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Jay of San Angelo. The Blaylocks also visited in San Angelo during the holidays.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Blakeway for Christmas were Mrs. Blakeway's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Thompson of McCombs, and her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hamby and baby of Dallas, who spent Wednesday and Thursday with them.

The Gordie Alexanders of Austin were here for the Belk-Alexander wedding during the holidays, and Gordie returned later to attend the McSwain funeral.

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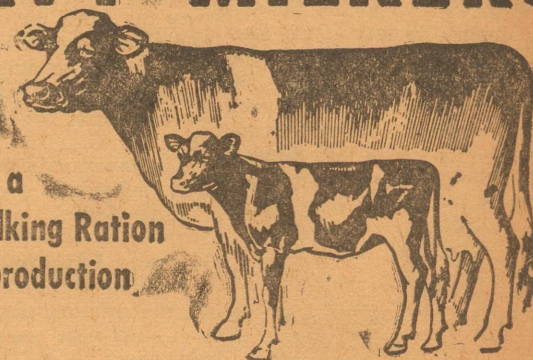
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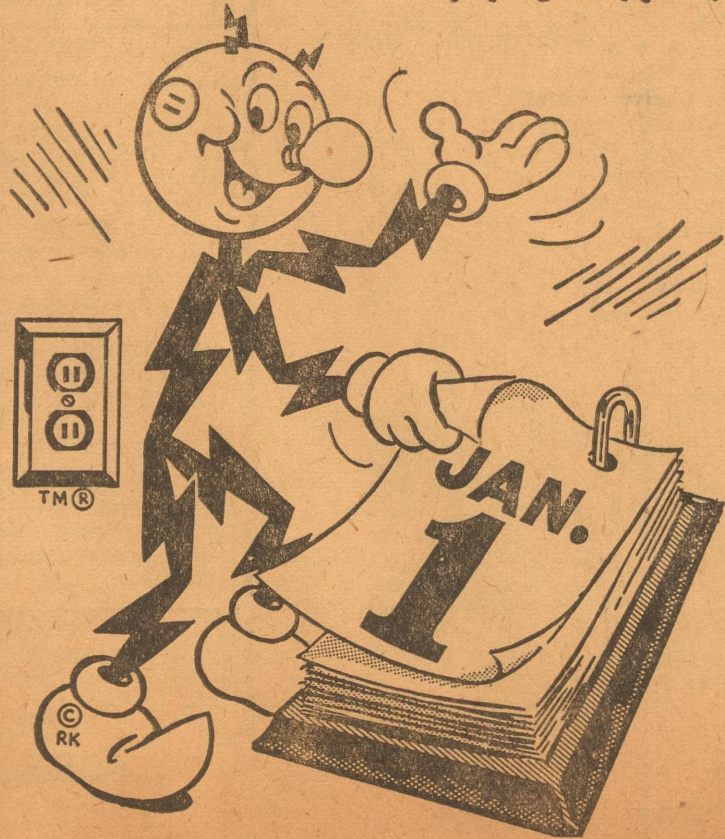
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