

VILLAGE



GOSSIP (More or Less)

Early returns indicated that farmers throughout the nation placed a stamp of approval on marketing quotas on cotton for the coming year.

In Cray County's only voting precinct in McLean, 49 cotton growers voted, with 44 voting in favor of the quotas and five against.

Raymond Smith, foreman for the crew of Commissioner O. L. Tibbets, was released from Highland General Hospital last Friday.

Something which sounds new to us will be sponsored by the Pampa chapter of Beta Sigma Phi at Pampa January 22 in the senior high school fieldhouse.

Word has been received here that W. E. O'Neal, 92 years of age, died in Amarillo Wednesday of last week.

The Floyd-Corbin-Florey Post 215, American Legion, will have a public dance at the Legion Hall Thursday night, December 18.

Classes in the McLean schools will be dismissed at the regular time Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock for the Christmas holidays.

Ellen Kay Kritzler, Chris Campbell, and Sharon Sitter entertained members of the McLean Lions Club Tuesday noon, presenting a program with a Christmas theme.

Howard Horne, former local manager for the Southwestern Public Service company, has been transferred from Panhandle to Littlefield.

The McLean basketball teams will engage in their last games before the Christmas holidays when they play in the Shamrock Invitational tournament this week-end.

A "Mobilization" program was presented by the North Fork Association Training Union at the First Baptist Church in McLean Monday evening.

Bethie Mantooth, accompanied by Caroline Christian of Claude, Wayne Eyrd of Dalhart, and Mitzie Wilson of Dimmitt, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Odell Mantooth.

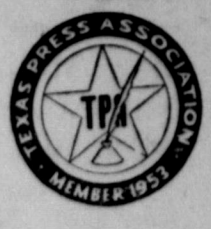
LOCAL AND HOME NEWS

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Claude Girls Win In Cage Tourney

The White Deer boys and the Claude girls were winners of the annual McLean invitational basketball tournament held in the Municipal Building last Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

NEW CHEVVIS TO BE SHOWN BY COOKE FIRM

More power, an extension of the automatic transmission option to all cars, and design revisions to accentuate the low, flowing beauty of the three body series highspot the 1954 Chevvis.

The latest models, scheduled to go on display at dealer showrooms nationally Friday, December 18, benefit as well from restyled interiors, a wider choice of rich colors and color harmonies and chassis advances to assure quieter operation with increased performance.

Power brakes, adding safety and driving control, became optional for the first time in the low-price field with the introduction. As still another "first" in Chevrolet's market, electric front seat and window lifts are also available.

Given special prominence in the presentation is the Bel Air series, which Chevrolet pioneered so successfully as a luxury line a year ago.

Fire Boys Eat— STEAK DINNER

No doubt if the members of the McLean Volunteer Fire Department ever held a steak-eating contest, the winner would be Sherman Crockett.

Crockett was one of 18 firemen present at the annual steak dinner of the department members, held last Thursday night in the Lions Hall.

Eating was the main feature of the annual dinner, but there was an excellent program of barbership quartet singing. The quartet was called the Chord Craftsmen, and consisted of Bill Haley, Hansford Ousley, James Evans, and Barney McMullan, all of Pampa.

125 Attend Cooking School

Approximately 125 women, and a few men, braved the cold winds of last Friday to attend the all-electric cooking school at 2 o'clock at the American Legion Hall.

The school was sponsored by The McLean News, in cooperation with the Southwestern Public Service company and the two Reddy Kilowatt dealers, McLean Electric company and Terry's Electric. Food was furnished by Puckett's Grocery and Market.

Conducting the school was Miss Margaret Nelson of Pampa, home service advisor for the Pampa district of the public service company. She was assisted by Miss Jane Burt of Amarillo, assistant home service advisor for the Amarillo district.

The White Deer boys blasted Claude's boys 51-25 in the final game Saturday evening. The Claude girls ousted the Panhandle girls 42-29 in the earlier Saturday evening game.

Taking consolation honors in the girls' division were the McLean Tigerettes, with a consolation final victory over Lefors by a score of 42-20. The local girls lost their opening game to Panhandle by a close 22-17 tally.

The McLean boys won over Lefors 53-32 in their opener, and then lost to Claude 38-35 in their next game.

Another McLean girls team was entered in the tourney when the "B" team took over the spot originally allocated to the Alanreed girls. The "B" team lost to Shamrock, and then were whipped 53-18 by the McLean "A" team.

In winning the boys' title, White Deer opened by winning over Shamrock 35-28, and then ousted Samnorwood 41-40 before blasting Claude in the finals.

The Claude girls, state Class B champions for the past three years, downed Lefors, Canadian, and Samnorwood to reach the finals. Most observers stated that the Claude sextet should stand a good chance for winning the state crown again this year.

At the close of the tournament, the winning teams were presented with trophies. In addition, all-tournament teams were announced, and an outstanding boy and an outstanding girl were chosen.

Named as outstanding girl was Wheelchel of Claude, and winning the top honor for the boys was Cunningham of Samnorwood.

Boys all-tournament team was Ronald Mills and Don Denham of White Deer, Wayne Moore of McLean, Don Cain of Canadian, and Joe Thompson of Claude.

Girls all-tournament team members were Rose Detton of Panhandle, Mavis Medley of McLean, Newkirk of Samnorwood, Mayfield of Shamrock, and Bryan and Brown of Claude.

The tournament was one of the most well-conducted meets ever held here.

W. W. Boyd and S. A. Cousins. Following the close of the program, the firemen elected officers to serve during the coming year. Boyd Meador was re-elected as fire chief. Others chosen were W. W. Boyd, first assistant; Cousins, second assistant; M. G. Mullanax, secretary; Charlie Morgan, hose guard; and John Anders, drill master.

SERVICES FOR TWO SISTERS OF ALAN REED

Two sisters were buried side by side Tuesday afternoon in the Alanreed cemetery. It had been the wish of the younger of the two that she could live to care for the other as long as the older sister survived.

Death came to the younger sister, Mrs. Virginia C. Blakney, Monday evening at 8:10 o'clock, slightly more than 24 hours after the death of the older of the two, Mrs. Mattie Mosely Clark, Sunday evening at 6:05 o'clock.

The two sisters had made their home together since the death of their husbands in 1939. The husbands died less than one month apart.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the First Baptist Church in Alanreed, with Rev. Virgil Loller, pastor of the Primitive Baptist Church of Shamrock, officiating. Assisting were Rev. S. T. Greenwood and Rev. R. M. Cole of Alanreed. Burial was in the Alanreed cemetery under the direction of the Claborn Funeral Home of McLean.

Pallbearers for Mrs. Clark were Roy Sherrord, Paul Bruce, F. B. Carter, Brooks Magee, Mug Castleberry, and Rev. Paul Cooper. For Mrs. Blakney, pallbearers were Bill Crisp, R. C. Hill, Olen Stapp, Alvis Moreman, Carol Burdine, and C. G. Hill.

Mrs. Clark, who was born August 9, 1866, in Huntsville, had been bedridden for a number (Continued on back page)

SCHOOL GIVES YULE PROGRAM

A near-capacity audience was on hand Monday night to see the Christmas program presented by members of the elementary school grades. The affair was held in the Municipal Building.

The program was climaxed by an impressive "Story of Christmas," narrated by Archie Dwyer, and performed by scores of the grade school students.

Opening the program was a musical number by the first graders; next was another musical number by members of the second grade. Several members of the fourth grade presented the story of "The Night Before Christmas."

The entire program was well received by the large crowd present.

BIRTHDAYS

Dec. 17—Hickman Brown, Dec. 20—Jimmy Rice, Goldie Miller.

Annual Visit of Santa Claus To McLean to Be Saturday

ARTHUR RIPPY HURT FATALLY IN CAR CRASH

Arthur L. Rippy of Stillwater, Okla., former resident of McLean and member of one of the pioneer families of this area, suffered fatal injuries in a car accident at Duncan, Okla., Sunday morning at about 11 o'clock, according to reports received here.

Rippy was returning to his home after visiting in Fort Worth and Elctra when the accident occurred. Details of the accident were not learned here immediately, but it was reported to have involved four vehicles.

Funeral services were to be held Wednesday morning at Stillwater. Burial was to be in Tecumseh, Okla., at the side of Mrs. Rippy, who died February 2, 1949, after the couple had moved from McLean.

EVANS HOUSE TOTAL LOSS AFTER FIRE

Members of the McLean Volunteer Fire Department missed having their annual steak dinner interrupted by less than two hours last Thursday night.

Firemen had enjoyed their annual dinner, completing their program at about 9 o'clock. At 10:55 o'clock, they were called out to the home of Amos Evans, two miles west of Kellerville.

By the time the firemen could get to the scene, however, the house was practically all devoured by the flames. Yet firemen spent the next two or three hours attempting to locate a man believed to be in the house.

The man, identified as J. T. Gibrath, was reported to be living at the Evans house; he was found later in Pampa where he was visiting.

The Evans house, and its contents, were totally destroyed in the fire. Estimated loss was about \$5,000.

Methodists Plan Cantata Sunday

Members of the choir of the McLean Methodist Church will present a Christmas cantata Sunday evening at 6 o'clock, Bill Day, director of the cantata, has announced. The public is invited to attend.

The cantata, entitled "Chimes of the Holy Night," will open with scripture and prayer. The program will include two solos, a duet, and special numbers featuring male voice parts and female voice parts.

Get Needs Early—Stores Plan Closing December 25, 26

Practically all retail stores in McLean plan to close both Christmas Day, December 25, and the following day, December 26, of next week.

Puckett's Grocery and Market and Cooper's Foods have already stated they plan to close both days, in order to give employees in reality a three-day lay-off (including Sunday, December 27).

Following suit are nearly all businesses which normally close on holidays. Patrons of the various stores are requested to buy their needs prior to Friday to eliminate any inconvenience which might be caused by the two-day closing.

NEW PONTIACS GO ON DISPLAY HERE FRIDAY

Pontiac will introduce a completely new line of cars for 1954, it was revealed at an exclusive press preview of the new models in Pontiac, Mich., last week.

Although details cannot be disclosed at this time, it can be said that the new line will be called the Star Chief series, is on a new chassis, and is bigger, longer and more luxurious than anything ever previously built by Pontiac.

It will be shown for the first time, along with a newly-styled Chieftain line of cars, at dealers' showrooms on December 18. The McLean Pontiac dealer is Andrews Equipment company.

It was also noted that the '54 Pontiacs will again be available with the most widely used of all automatic transmissions—the Dual-Range Hydra-matic. It will be offered as optional equipment with both six and eight cylinder engines on any car in the line.

Pontiac introduced Dual-Range Hydra-Matic in 1952 and it was being installed on more than 85 per cent of all Pontiacs sold until production was cut off last August by the fire at General Motors' transmission plant in Livonia, Mich.

H. E. Crawford, general sales manager, told the press that all 1953 models received excellent reception in the field and that Pontiac dealers faced no special clean-up problems considering the current competitive market.

"Pontiac produced and sold more cars in the 1953 model year than any year except 1950," Crawford said. "We showed the greatest increase in sales in our price class and made the greatest penetration of our market. In addition, our dealers sold the largest number of used cars in history, even exceeding the record year of 1941."

DECORATIONS TO BE JUDGED SATURDAY NITE

Santa Claus, that genial old gent with the white whiskers to whom youngsters look forward all year, will pay his annual visit to McLean next Saturday afternoon. The time is 2 o'clock.

Santa will arrive in McLean atop a local fire truck and will hand out sacks of candy to all youngsters who are present. A huge crowd is expected to be on hand to greet him.

The Second Appreciation Day program will be held after the visit of Santa. It is also scheduled for 2 o'clock, but committees in charge have decided to hold this program until after Santa Claus leaves.

The McLean High School band will be on hand to march downtown prior to Santa's visit, adding more to the festivities this year.

Judging of the home decorations will be done Saturday night by out-of-town judges. The decorations will be judged some time after dark and all residents who have up decorations are urged to have their lights on Saturday night.

Members of the Lions Club, sponsor of the annual contests, will not be eligible in the judging, it was decided at the regular club meeting Tuesday. Disqualification of the Lions as possible winners was made due to some criticism on the part of others who usually enter the contests. Odell Mantooth, Lions president, will accompany the judges on their tour. It was pointed out that no official notification to the club is necessary to enter; judges merely ride throughout the town and look at all decorations which are up.

For the visit of Santa on Saturday, about 500 sacks of candy are being prepared by the Lions Club. Members of the club will be on hand to aid Santa in passing out the candy to the youngsters.

The American Legion will hold its annual Christmas party for children at the hall next Tuesday night, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Legionnaires will bring their own children, and will also invite other children as guests. Santa will also attend this party.

Several churches are planning parties. Some of these will be parties for the entire membership, while others will be for the various departments of the churches.

Most churches will have their special Christmas programs either Sunday morning or Sunday evening. Some churches plan special music and messages; others plan Christmas cantatas.

Members of a Chinese Secret Society, formed to rid China of foreigners, were known as the "Boxers."

Report Received on— SCHOOL ILLNESS

A report has been received by County Health Officer L. E. West from Dr. George W. Cox, state health officer, concerning the outcome of the examination of food samples which were sent to Austin after the illness of local elementary school students and teachers here prior to Thanksgiving.

Dr. Cox stated that a "strain of beta hemolytic staphylococcus aureus" was found in the sample of gravy sent to Austin. Dr. J. H. Kritzler, city health officer, explains that such bacteria could have been the cause of the illness of the 68 who suffered following the Thanksgiving meal. However, no definite solution has been reached.

The letter from Dr. Cox is as follows: "This is to confirm our telephone report to you today regarding samples of food and water you sent to us from an outbreak of suspected food poisoning at McLean. We isolated a strain of beta hemolytic staphylococcus aureus from the gravy forwarded. No significant organisms were isolated from the water or other material sent. In regard to the water sample we wish to point out that the quantity of water forwarded was not sufficient for the performance of the examination for the presence of coliform organisms as described by standard methods. We did culture the small quantity of water forwarded in an attempt to demonstrate the presence of Salmonella or other members of the enteric group. Such tests were non-productive. If you desire a standard test for coliform organisms on this supply, please forward a sample in one of the bottles we furnish. We are sending a few bottles for your use."

In 1819 the first steamship to cross the Atlantic was the Savannah.

Society

Mrs. Mike Murff Named Honoree At Bridal Shower

A bridal shower honoring Mrs. Mike Murff, the former Shirley Allison, was given last Saturday in the parlor of the McLean Methodist Church.

Hostesses for the occasion were Mesdames Emory Crockett, John B. Rice, Spencer Sitter, Earl Stubblefield, Earnest Beck, Fred Patterson, and Jerry Pennington.

Sue Glass played the piano while Mrs. Pennington registered the guests. June Stubblefield sang "Because of You," accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Bill Wilson of Dumas. The Christmas motif was used in the decorations.

Virginia Beck presented the honoree. There were between 150 and 200 attending and sending gifts.

Centennial Club Christmas Party In Finley Home

The Centennial Embroidery Club celebrated with a Christmas party December 9 at the home of Mrs. H. W. Finley.

The house was beautifully decorated in the Christmas motif. Mrs. W. E. Bogar, had charge of the program. Gifts were distributed from the Christmas tree in front of the fireplace.

Lovely plates were served by Mrs. Finley, Mrs. Homer Abbott, Mrs. Byrd Guill, and Mrs. Karl Adams. Others attending were Mesdames C. M. Carpenter, D. A. Davis, H. E. Franks, J. E. Kirby, Kid McCoy, M. H. Patterson, Boyd Reeves, Amos Thacker, and C. E. Cortis.

Ruth S. S. Class Has Party in Home Of Paul Millers

The Ruth Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church held its Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller Thursday, December 10.

Those attending were Mrs. F. E. Stewart, teacher of the class; Mrs. Betty Jo Allen, Mrs. Pat Pennington, Mrs. Norma Curry, Mrs. Charles Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Mac Stewart, Mrs. Billy Williams, Miss Marnelle Ledgerwood, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Simpson, and Mr. and Mrs. Miller.

20% off at Bill Day's.

Mrs. Bunia Kunkel returned home Friday after having spent two weeks in the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. D. Johnson of Hereford.

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Sunday, Dec. 20
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MEADOR'S DRIVE-IN CAFE
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Andy Watkins

W. T. Rices to Have 50th Anniversary On December 22

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Rice will observe their golden wedding anniversary Tuesday, December 22, at their farm home one and one-half miles east of Wheeler, Okla. The Rices are former residents of McLean.

An open house will be held and friends of the couple are invited.

Birthday Dinner Given in Honor Of Mrs. McCabe

A birthday dinner honoring Mrs. R. N. McCabe was given in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stevens Sunday, December 13.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Blaylock and children of Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. Olen McCabe and son, Mrs. Adrian Hughes and children, and Mrs. Ray McCabe, of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Carey McCabe of Eunice, N. M., Mr. and Mrs. R. N. McCabe, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Boyd, and Mr. and Mrs. Stevens and Jo Ann and Jimmy.

Liberty H. D. Club Christmas Party In Eustace Home

The Liberty Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Earl Eustace Tuesday, December 8, for its Christmas party.

Those enjoying the Christmas program were Mesdames Wallace Rainwater, Walter Bailey, Wink Gideon, O. O. Tate, Olen Davis, and the hostess.

Mrs. Jim Newton Honored at Meet Of Skillet Circle

The Skillet Circle met Thursday afternoon, December 10, in the home of Mrs. Charles Hall.

The club honored Mrs. Jim Newton with a pink and blue shower.

Lovely refreshments were served by the hostess to Mesdames Pearl Burr, J. T. Croxton, J. C. McClellan, Newton, George Preston, George Saunders, and Guy Saunders.

Friendship Class Party Is Held in Bill Simpson Home

The Friendship Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church had its Christmas party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Simpson December 7.

Gifts were exchanged after a covered dish supper. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Everett Watson, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mann, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Day and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Simpson and son, Mr. and Mrs. Oba Kunkel and children, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bragg, and Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Vineyard and daughters.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wilson and daughter of Dumas spent the week-end with Mrs. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Beck.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. O'Kelly of Amarillo spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Cooper.

Miss Iva Davidson of Wheeler visited last week in the home of her sister, Mrs. F. L. Bones.

Mrs. Woody Wilkerson and Mrs. W. T. Eldridge were in Pampa on business Tuesday.

Miss Louise Black of Blossom is visiting in the home of her

brother, Bob Black, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Dunn left Monday for Arizona and California to visit relatives.

J. L. Andrews and Clyde Andrews were in Amarillo Monday on business.

Mrs. J. L. Hess and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Magee were in Amarillo last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Foshee and children of Pampa spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Crockett.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Peabody visited with relatives in Clarendon Sunday.

Bernice Eustace of Billings,

Mont. and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Eustace of Amarillo spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Eustace.

20% off at Bill Day's.

Bill Mace of Lelia Lake visited with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McIlroy Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kennedy of Quail visited with his mother, Mrs. W. E. Kennedy, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Coleman were in Amarillo on business Thursday of last week.

Sunday guests in the home of

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Martindale were Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Harkins and T. F. Harkins of Plainview. Mr. and Mrs. George Banard and Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Moore of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Harris of Kelton, Mr. and Mrs. Neal Skinner and Mrs. Marvin Skinner of Shamrock, and Mrs. H. B. Martindale and son Elmer of Wellington.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Peabody spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Thomas at Crowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Odes Shelton and children of Pampa spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Shelton.

Mrs. Arthur Dwyer, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Glass, and Mrs. Ed Riley were in Amarillo Wednesday of last week on business.

In Memory of our father, J. Haynes, who passed away three years ago December 19

Somewhere back of the sun Where loveliness never dies He sleeps in a land of beauty With the blue and gold of the skies; And we who have known and loved him, Whose parting have brought sad tears, Will cherish his memory always To brighten the drifting year. The Family



DROP IN FOR THE BEST IN Christmas BUYS!

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DATES 7 1/4 oz. pkg. 22^c

Hershey's
COCOA 1 lb can 49^c

JELL-O 2 pkgs. 15^c

Powdered or Brown
SUGAR 2 pkgs. 25^c

Pennant
MARSHMAL-O jar 19^c

NORTHERN
TISSUE 3 rolls 25^c

Wilson's Tender

HAMS

13 to 16 lb. average

While They Last

lb 59^c

Del Monte
PEACHES 2 1/2 can 29^c

Del Monte Buff size
PINEAPPLE can 15^c

Sunshine
CRACKERS 2 lb box 48^c

Miracle Whip
SALAD DRESSING quart jar 59^c

Referee Pink
SALMON Flat can 24^c

Del Monte
TOMATO JUICE 46 oz. can 29^c



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CBS-Columbia 17-inch
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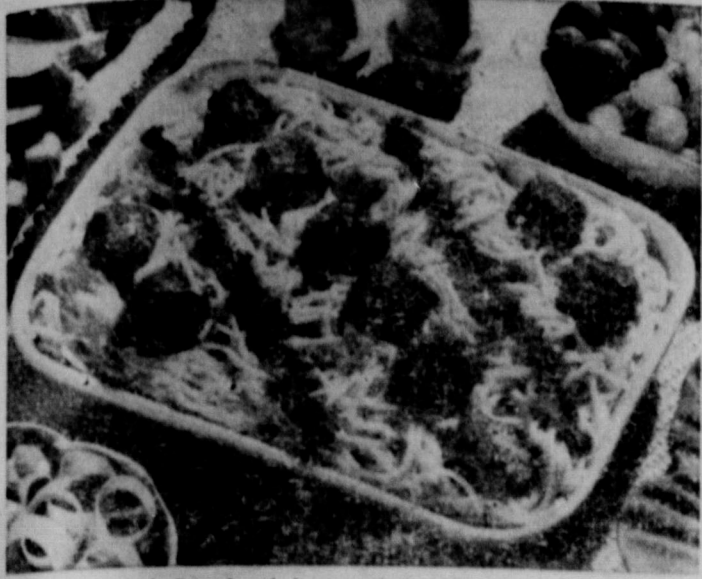
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Chili Balls and Spaghetti has real "south of the border" zest. Browned meat balls simmer gently in a chili-seasoned tomato sauce for fullest flavor.

These are the days when holiday feasting puts an extra heavy strain on the food budget. You needn't be bothered with budget worries, though. Avoid them by frequently serving simple but flavorful, low-cost foods.

Chili Balls and Spaghetti fits right in that low-cost class. Yet, it has elegant flavor. A down-to-earth main dish, it uses inexpensive ingredients like ground beef and spaghetti to best advantage.

This hearty main dish provides a generous share of food energy and protein—fuel that all our bodies need during these bustling days. Balance the main course with crisp relishes, enriched bread and milk.

Don't wait to try this easy-on-the-cook dish. It all cooks in one skillet and won't take longer to prepare than 30 minutes from start to finish.

CHILI BALLS AND SPAGHETTI

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| 1/2 pound ground beef | 1 1/2 cups cooked tomatoes |
| 2 tablespoons chopped green pepper | 1 teaspoon salt |
| 1/2 teaspoon salt | 1/4 teaspoon chili powder |
| 1 egg | 1 cup water |
| | 4 ounces spaghetti |

Combine ground beef, green pepper, 1/2 teaspoon salt and egg and mix thoroughly. Shape into small balls. Melt fat or drippings in heavy skillet and brown meat balls in it. Add tomatoes, 1 teaspoon salt, chili powder and 1/2 cup water. Mix well. Bring to boiling point, cover, reduce heat and simmer gently 10 minutes. Add remaining 1/2 cup water and spaghetti. Mix well. Cover and simmer 10 minutes longer, stirring occasionally. Arrange spaghetti on hot platter and meat balls on top. Serve hot.

Makes 4 servings.

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Christmas— COMMERCIALIZATION

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A six-year-old boy of my acquaintance was so amazed at hearing a teacher explain the historical meaning of Christmas that he could hardly wait to announce his discovery to his mother. "Did you know," he questioned with wide eyes, that Christmas is God's birthday?"

If no one explained that this day of celebration commemorated an obscure birth in a manger, how many Americans would recognize the fact? Somehow the sudden forests of firs and cedars in corner lots, the rotund figures in white beards and red suits, the bright lights, the frenzied buying, the loud noises and gaudy decorations seem entirely unrelated to the manger scene of Bethlehem.

A borrowed manger is the first of many indications that Jesus of Nazareth lived a life of simplicity and even poverty.

The pomp and splendor which kings (and more recently, queens) receive did not accompany the earthly life of the King of Kings.

But in contrast today, His birth is no longer associated with the simple quietness and lack of material riches. These are buried under an avalanche of wealth and glitter which defies description. Apparently Christmas has become the slave of commercialization.

Many who decry such exploitation of His birthday point an

accusing finger at business enterprises and naively charge them with total guilt.

A quick glance at bold headlines, full-page advertisements, tempting displays, unbelievable bargains and easy lay-away plans seems to uphold this accusation.

But a deeper probe provokes the realization that these agencies could not accomplish such a phenomenal feat alone. The money to pay for all this comes from the pay check of the average American family. Admittedly, agencies which thrive on selling have promoted increased Christmas buying.

Starting with mid-summer campaigns to put dolls or jewelry in lay-away for Christmas, they add an ever-increasing pressure in early November to promote the exchange of goods for as much money as possible. Consequently, clever minds of promotion and advertising are not blameless for the commercialization of Christmas. But, in reality, the attitudes and activities of business men are mere reflections of the current American philosophy.

Before children of this generation are capable of reasoning or developing individual opinions, they are besieged with queries about what they expect from Santa Claus.

For the next few blissfully innocent years they write extended lists of requests to him and impatiently wait for his nocturnal visit.

The desire for toys on Christmas is so deeply imbedded in young hearts that even the rowdiest find incentive enough to behave "angel like" for at least a few days.

And with the dawn of the eventful day youngsters attack bountiful treasures of presents and Christmas is spent hilariously displaying and experimenting with them. Accompanying this

is an overabundance of too-rich food which produces some regret and quantities of bicarbonate of soda.

Somewhere in the middle of this tradition—suddenly, almost shattering—some parent, religious teacher or preacher explains to the little ones that all this is not the real meaning of Christmas.

The simple story of the Christ child is abruptly introduced into mid-December and the confused little minds are left to reconcile the theoretical view to the familiar observance of Christmas.

The child says little but looks quizzically and with bewilderment at the actions of his elders.

He sees them dashing with frowns and set jaws down crowded streets and feels the tension mounting in those last days before December 25.

He is pressed by the unsympathetic crowd as he is pulled from one store to another. He sees furrowed brows and dejected, sometimes exasperated, faces as gift lists and bank accounts are compared. He hears talk of money borrowed and charge accounts opened.

He puzzles as gifts are gauged to equal or better those received last year from particular relatives and friends. His wonder increases as presents are given

to those from whom one is expected.

Finally Christmas comes and the child looks at the worn-out adults who have overspent their money, time, nerves and patience. He hears the discharge of enough explosives to destroy dozens of tin cans, several fingers, and the calm composure of everyone in his block.

Again somebody repeats that this is an observance of the birthday of Jesus, but the child's conception is fixed. He reaches adulthood and passes it on to his children. The joy and success of Christmas are measured in material returns, but lip service must be given to its religious meaning.

Some shrug and say nothing can be done—so just enjoy it.

Others develop a disapproving attitude and condemn the multitudes. Still others wonder if these are the only approaches and contemplate constructive steps to de-commercialize Christmas.

If followed, a few simple steps could change the prevailing condition. If the true spirit of giving is re-instated at Christmas, we will seek to give to the needy, the forgotten and others from whom there is no return.

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ANGELS WITHOUT WINGS

In the Children's Aid Society Jones Center, all was calm as the call for rehearsal of carols was sounded. The little angels without wings took their places, with one moppet sporting a black eye. He couldn't resist reaching under his cassock to be sure his treasured gun and holster were still there.

excitement, we can pause for the quietness of a sacred time spent in the presence of the central

figure of Christmastime. Reading the story of His birth and portions of His life would be rewarding. And third, we can give ourselves and part of our substance to the One for whom Christmas is named. Again, a little child expressed wisdom beyond her years when she asked, "If it's Jesus' birthday, where is His present?"

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Andrews, Mrs. Josia Moore, and Mrs. T. T. Andrews visited Mr. and Mrs. Don Randall and family in Amarillo Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Duward Price

and family of Shamrock visited with Mr. and Mrs. James Massey and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Ledbetter and daughter visited with Mr. and Mrs. Jess Ledbetter Jr. in Shamrock Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Stokely visited with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hamilton in Borger Sunday.

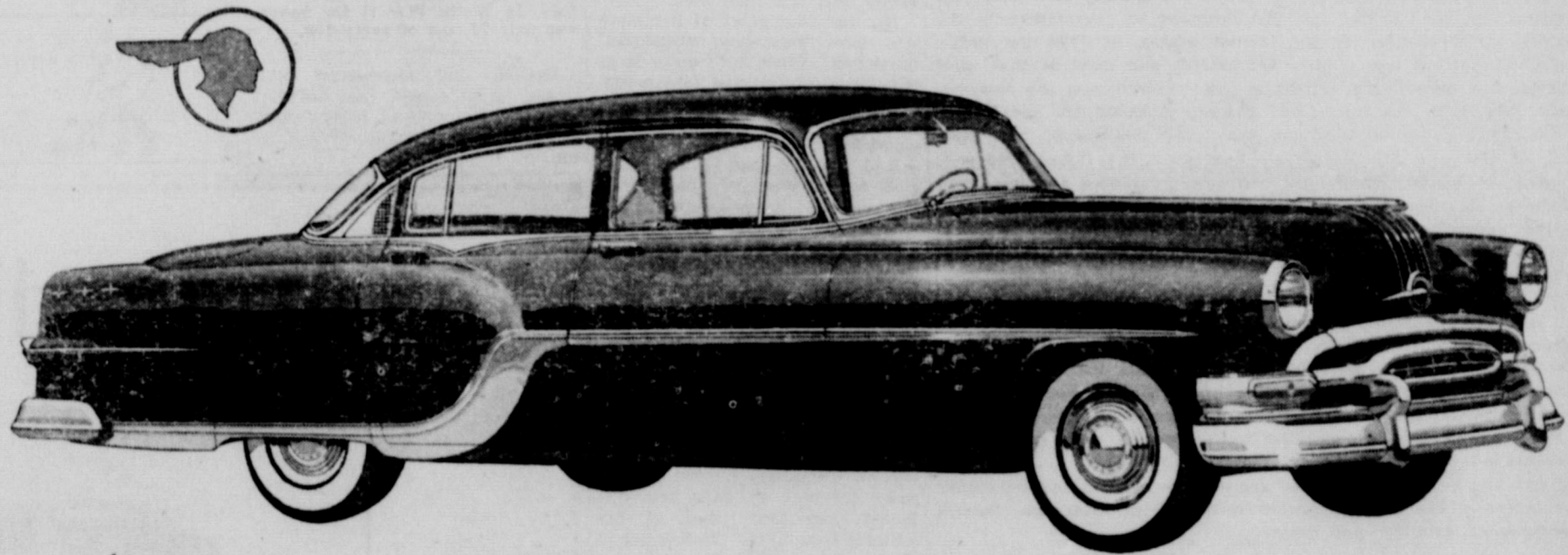
Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Bones were in Pampa Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis McClellan and daughters of Pampa visited with Mr. and Mrs. Jack McClellan Thursday.

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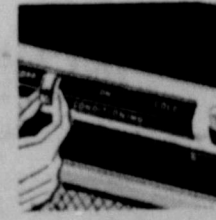
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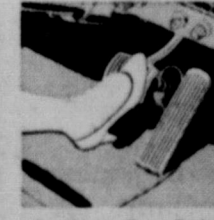
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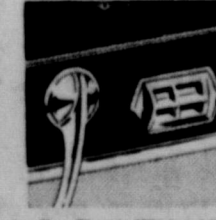
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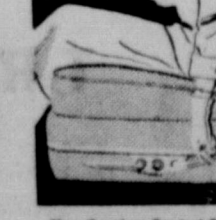
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CUTTING EXPENSES

AS A GENERAL RULE, the establishment of new governmental commissions means bad news for the taxpayer. The situation is quite the opposite in the case of two commissions which are now getting down to work.

One is the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government, under the chairmanship of Herbert Hoover. A series of task forces have been established, each of which is headed by an outstanding business man or professional man, assisted by recognized experts in particular fields. The Commission's area of study will be very wide, including such problems as water and power resources; civil service; lending agencies; surplus property; medical services; federal subsistence services, and so on.

The task forces will fully evaluate all available facts in their respective fields, and submit recommendations as to improvements in efficiency and economy, elimination of overlap, and reductions in spending.

The other new commission has not, at least as yet, received as much notice as Mr. Hoover's. However, it, too, will deal with problems of the first importance. It is called the Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, and Clarence E. Manion, former dean of the University of Notre Dame Law School, is the chairman. Other members are governors, and representatives of the public and of the executive and legislative branches of the federal government. The purpose is to study ways and means to check and reverse the trend toward more and more federal paternalism, and to provide workable plans for returning to the states all or part of certain responsibilities which are now being discharged in Washington.

That this will be a tough job goes without saying. Probably few people are aware of how enormous the growth of federal aid programs has been in the last 300 years or so. According to the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, in 1920 the entire cost of federal aid was a mere \$42,000,000, and most of that went for highways, agricultural education and research, and the National Guard. By 1936, the figure had reached \$346,000,000, not including emergency grants resulting from the depression, and two-thirds of this was for highways. Last year, the figure was well in excess of \$2,000,000,000, and highways accounted for less than a fifth of it. The largest item, \$1,400,000,000, was appropriated for the program administered by the Federal Security Agency, which is now known as the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

This aid program now covers about 40 categories—veterans, old age assistance, education, control of certain diseases, etc. The chamber indicated one major problem when it said, "If any sizeable portion of these activities is to be made the complete responsibility of the states and their political subdivisions, some plan must be devised for the transfer to the states of various sources of tax revenue now pre-empted by or shared with the federal government."

In any event, two commissions are now at work to reduce, rather than increase, the cost of government—and to make the federal establishment smaller, not bigger.

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LES TALK

By LESTER

T. D. Key, after reading the riddle brought in by D. A. Davis, sent in the following puzzler:

"While I am working out Farmer Jones' livestock problem, I'll give you a brain puzzler to solve. An army 30 miles long marching through the country marched 30 miles a day. That would leave the rear guard to camp tonight where the advance guard camped last night. As they started on the day's march, the rear guard officer sent a messenger to the advance guard officer. He overtook the advance guard and returned to the rear guard that night just as the rear guard reached the camping place the advance guard had used the previous night. How many miles did the messenger travel?"

Sorry, folks, but you'll just have to see Mr. Key for the answer. Too deep for me.

Is Christmas just for children? I heard a lady remark the other day that, after all, Christmas is just for children. Actually, she didn't mean it that way, for that same lady was in the process of making gifts for children she didn't think would have a very big Christmas.

No, Christmas isn't just for children. It's for all the people, the wee little ones, the slightly larger little ones, the teen-agers, the young people, the middle-agers, the old folks. Christmas is truly for everyone.

As we all know, Christmas is really a birthday anniversary, a birthday anniversary of someone very special. I thought Daughter Chris pretty well summed it up in a recent conversation with me. We were talking about Mary and Joseph and Baby Jesus. Naturally, being only a four and one-half year old child, Jesus is Baby Jesus to her. And she told me the story of Mary and Joseph going into town. And the hotel operator didn't have any room for them, and told them if they wanted shelter they would have to sleep in the stable.

"And there something wonderful happened, Daddy," Chris said. "Baby Jesus was born." And from there, of course, she went on and talked of the shepherds and the wise men.

But the real point of her story was that "something wonderful" happened. Chris isn't quite large enough to realize just how wonderful that happening was, but does know it was something wonderful.

And out of the bringing of gifts by the wise men has grown that custom of exchanging gifts.

When I was small, like Chris, I, as practically all children, thought of the gifts I would receive from that fine old gent we call Santa Claus. As I grew older, I would save my pennies, and gain a great deal of satisfaction from selecting something for my parents and my sister my other relatives and friends. I suppose all people did the same as they became older.

Now Christmas means just as much for me. Perhaps in a different way from that of my Santa Claus days. But I get a great deal of pleasure now when the youngsters talk of Santa Claus, when they bring their letters into the office and watch very carefully what I do with them. They don't want their letters to Santa misplaced or mislent.

Exchanging of gifts has come to the point where it is expensive, but it only happens once each year. I get a much bigger thrill watching my folks unwrap their presents and yield that

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apparent smile of satisfaction. No, Christmas isn't just for children. Christmas is for everyone.

The 1954 model Chevrolets and Pontiacs will go on display tomorrow. Cooke Chevrolet company will show the new models in their showroom, and Andrews Equipment company will display the new Pontiac. Both of the cars are more beautiful than ever. It always amazes me each year how auto manufacturers can continue dreaming up new ideas to make their cars more desirable. But they do.



MEDICAL CARE IN KOREA

by Science Features

Medical care afforded wounded soldiers in the Korean War was the best in history. Fatalities totaled only 2.3 per cent of all wounded, compared with 4.5 per cent in World War II and 8.1 per cent in World War I.

According to the Army Medical Service, which compiled these statistics, several recent advances in medical science contributed heavily to the lowered mortality rate. One was the availability of antibiotics like penicillin and terramycin to combat infection. Penicillin was not available in World War II until late in the hostilities.

Another important factor in saving lives was the use of whole blood for transfusions even in forward fighting areas. A third was the introduction of Mobile Army Surgical Hospitals, which made it possible to bring top-flight surgical care into the combat zone.

The use of helicopter "flying ambulances" to bring seriously wounded men to rear-area hospitals where they could be given complete medical care with a minimum of delay also helped cut the fatality rate, the Army reported. Wounded were often transported by air to base hospitals in Japan for further treatment.

In addition to saving lives, these and other scientific advances made it possible for 88 out of every 100 casualties in Korea to return to duty. In World War II the figure was only 77 out of every 100.

Reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle.—Washington.

He who is firmly seated in authority soon learns to think security and not progress, the highest lesson of statecraft.—Lowell.

Camels' humps are composed of fat—the backbone is straight.

"El" in Hebrew names such as Elisha, means God.

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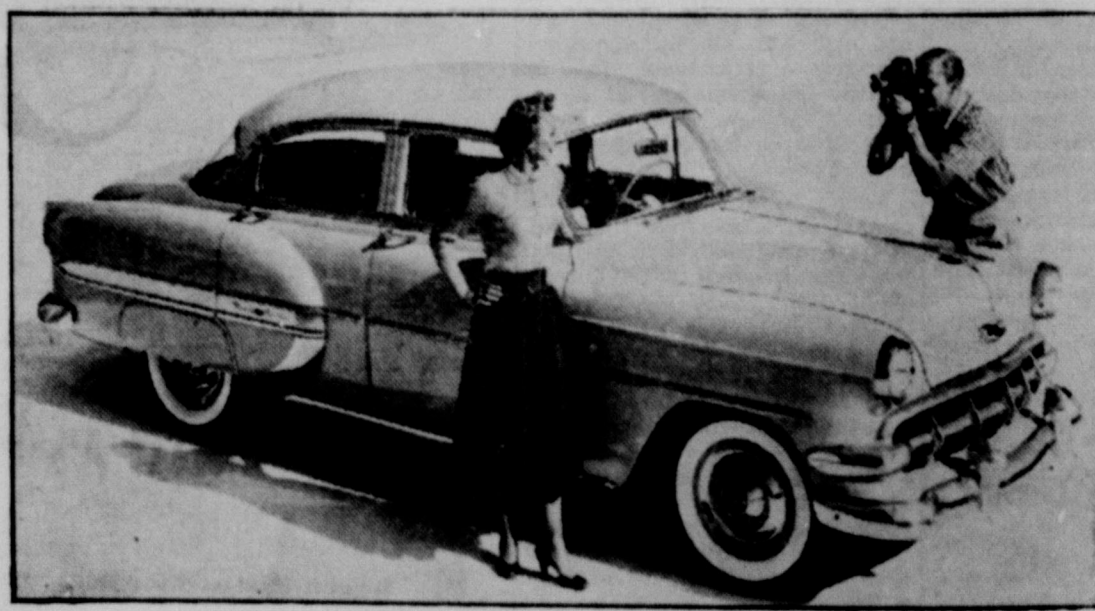
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4-H Members in Texas Win Trips

1953 HONORS in the Lone Star State were presented to four 4-H Club members who reported exceptional work in the National 4-H Clothing, Farm and Home Safety, Field Crops and Home Improvement programs. Their rewards will be all-expense trips to the 32nd National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago. Summaries of their accomplishments are as follows:



Ann Crow
By making 129 garments suitable for work, school and parties, Ann Crow, 18, Ingleside, was proclaimed Texas champion in the 4-H Clothing project, an honor that included an all-expense trip to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, made possible by The Spool Cotton Co. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Crow and a member of the Lucky Clover 4-H Club, where she has a perfect attendance record for six years. She has won blue ribbons in five dress revues and taken first place at the County Fair the last three years. Ann began 4-H work six years ago and is now president.

Marva Chambers, 18, of Owens, turned her efforts toward making the interior of her home more comfortable and attractive in the 4-H Home Improvement program. State honors and an all-expense trip to the Congress were awarded to Marva—a fine bonus for good planning and painstaking effort. The trip was provided by the Sears-Roebuck Foundation.

Marva has been an active 4-H Club girl for six years. She chose "Remodeling My Bedroom" as her demonstration. She mixed her paints until she had an orchid gray which she used on the walls, and painted the ceiling a deep rose. Flowered drape material was used at the window, bench and closet shelves. Then she upholstered a chair in light green with ruffles of the drapery material carrying out the scheme of green, rose and gray. Noteworthy results in the 4-H Farm and Home Safety program have been accomplished by Margie Sellers, 17, of Whitesboro.

All these programs are conducted under the direction of the Cooperative Extension Service.

for which she received as state winner the General Motors trip award to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago. She helped make her community more safety conscious by means of surveys, demonstrations and other aids. She drew 17 free hand posters advertising National Farm Safety Week, displaying them in business houses in Gainesville and Callburg, and conducted a safety survey, placing 260 placards on hazards throughout the community.

Margie also planned a community safety program, securing speakers and movie, arranging for newspaper and radio publicity. She conducted a hazard survey on the home and farm, urging other 4-H'ers to do likewise. Through all-around efficiency in crop production on the 875-acre farm, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Masters, Wesley, 16, of Hale Center, was named state winner in the 4-H Field Crops program. A coveted trip to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago was his reward from the International Harvester Co. Wesley was able to achieve that recognition through careful attention to every phase of crop production, such as keeping farm machinery in condition, selection and treatment of seed, and scientific soil management.

President of the Cotton Center Boys' 4-H Club in 1952, Wesley raised seven acres in cotton that year, boosting his cotton acreage to 28 acres this year. His field crops for 1953 consisted of 12 acres of Plainsman Maize and 15 acres of Black-eyed peas. In 1953, in addition to cotton, he raised castor beans, alfalfa and cow peas.

40 Years Ago—

IT HAPPENED HERE

Taken from the Files of The McLean News, 1913

McLean's First Defeat

The local high school team was compelled to bite the dust in a most ignominious defeat on the ball diamond at Texola last Saturday afternoon, when at the end of a nine inning struggle the said Texola bunch had accumulated 11 scores to their one.

Even though there was a vast difference in the scoring, the home boys feel they did themselves proud for at least the first five innings. They held their opponents down to one score in that number of rounds, but the continual strain of play against men and withstanding the continual fire of the rooters, finally told on their nerves and they went to pieces in the sixth, and ten scores resulted for the other side in the remainder of the game. One of the pitchers, Vester Cooke, went overland in an auto and did not arrive in time to participate and in consequence Roy Richardson held the mound for the locals during the entire session.

A return match is now in the formative stage and will likely be played on the local diamond in the very near future. When the visitors go against the high school boys another time they will find a very formidable array of talent in the field and at the bat.

Surprise Singing

Uncle Bill Petty was very agreeably surprised Thursday night at the home of C. E. Francis. Mr. Petty was invited to go to the Francis home that night to practice some songs, and

in the meantime a crowd of young and older people were invited to a singing unbeknowning to Mr. Petty. The occasion was to celebrate Uncle Bill's 64th birthday anniversary, which was the next day.

One by one the people gathered at the Francis home and were invited into the parlor, where they told Uncle Bill that they came to held him celebrate his birthday. He was very much surprised as he was not expecting any extra ones there. The time was spent in singing until after the 12 o'clock hour so the crowd could be present on his birthday. At recess, all enjoyed a feast of peanuts and conversation. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Petty, D. V. Jay and family, Britton Lilly and family, C. E. Francis and family, Luther Petty, Amos Lilly, Sam Erwin, Mr. Thompson, Alvah and Bethel Christian, Reep, Bartow, and Fred Landers, the Messrs. Ledbetter, Misses Cora Wadley, Mary Erwin, Edith Stockton, Mildred Holland, Ethel and Myrtle Ledbetter, and Ollie, Myrtle, and Dora Thompson.

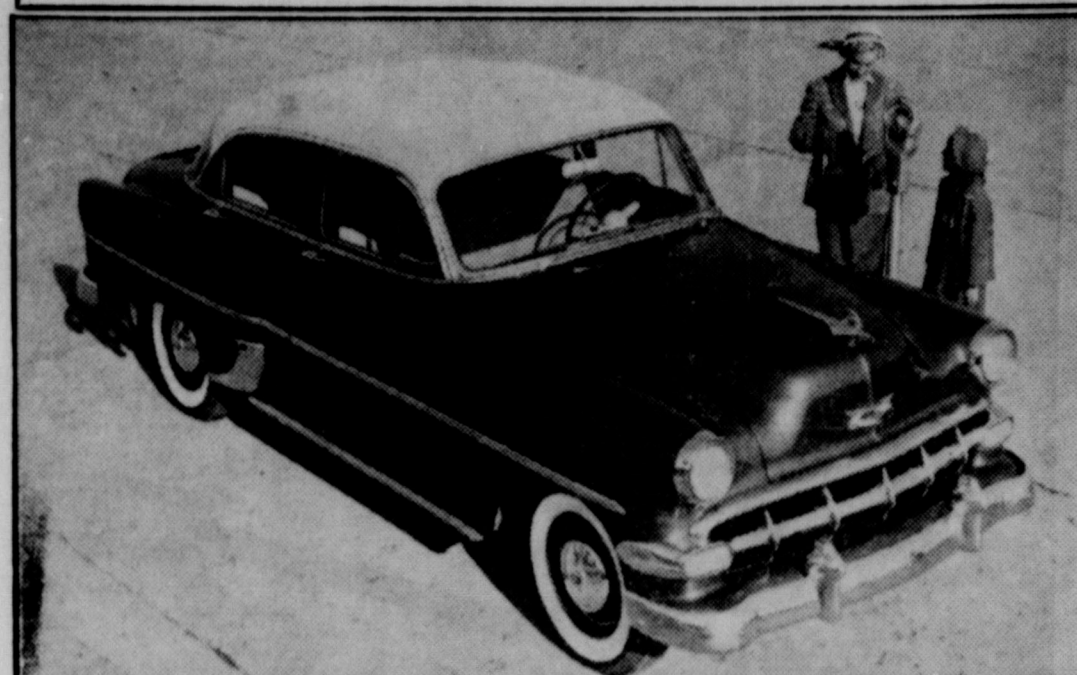
At L. O. Floyd's

Complimentary to Miss Pearl Easley of Shamrock, who is her guest, Miss Winnie Floyd entertained a party of young people at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Floyd, in the west part of town, on Tuesday evening of this week.

Music and games helped to while away the merry hours and all present reported the affair a pleasant one.

Sunday School Picnic

Added Power, Performance Mark Chevrolet



The two-toned four-door sedan in the "210" Series typifies the new beauty and smartness of the Chevrolet line for 1954. The "210" Series is one of three cars and luxurious new interiors in striking color offered by the company in an array of 13 body models.

Members of the different city Sunday Schools enjoyed what was termed a union Sunday School picnic on Tuesday of this week at a beautiful wooded spot on Hackberry, north of the John Waters place.

There was a large crowd of young people and old in attendance and a monstrous big dinner was enjoyed.

The thirteen original colonies

were Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, and Virginia.

There is no place in the highest heavens above nor in the deepest waters below where the moral law does not reign.—Confucius.

All moral obligation resolves itself into the obligation of con-

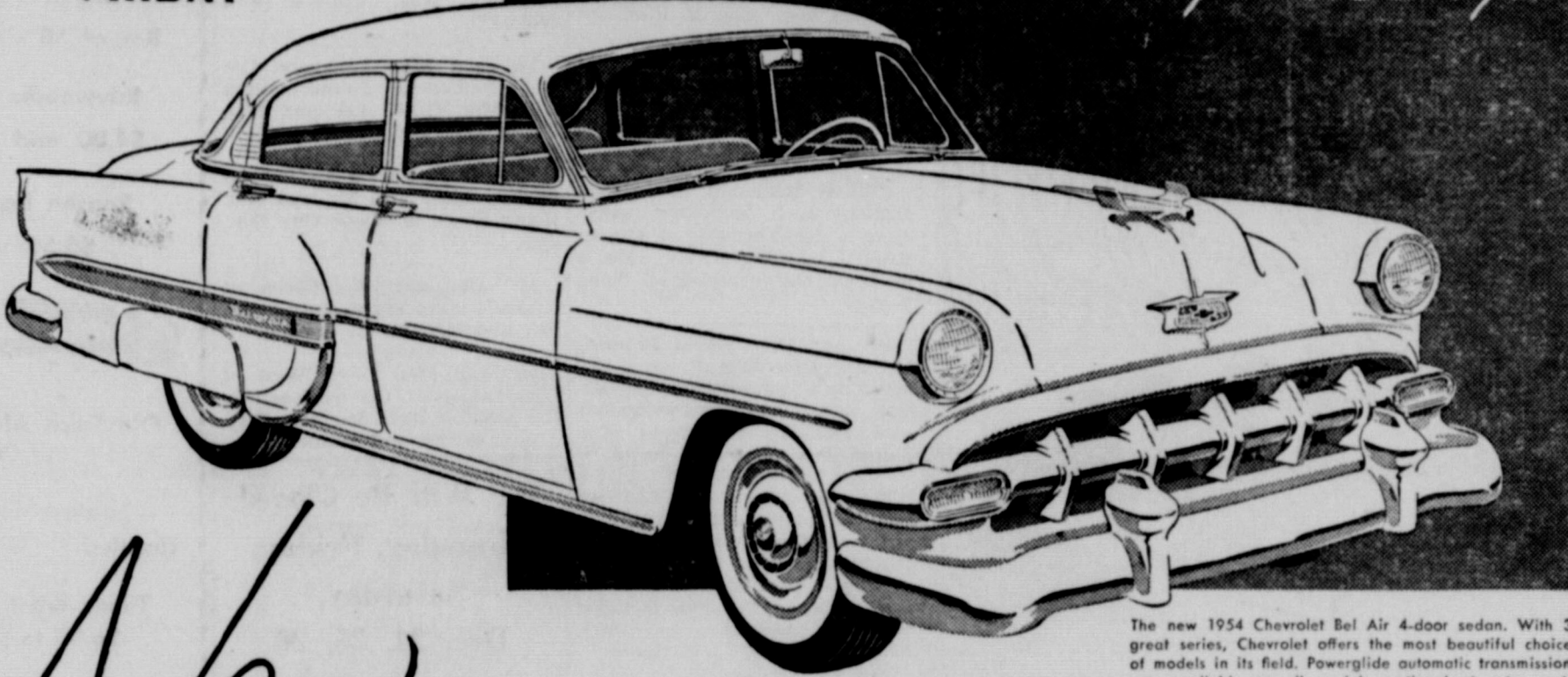
formity to the will of God.—Charles Hodge.

It is not possible to found a lasting power upon injustice, perjury, and treachery.—Demosthenes.

Plain-dealing is the best when all is done.—William Payne.

Virginia Dare was the first white child born in America.

ON DISPLAY FRIDAY



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Stop in and take a good look at the best-looking Chevrolet you ever saw!

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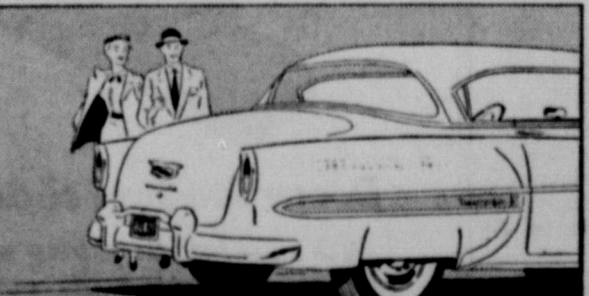
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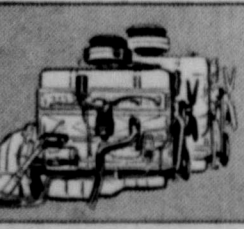
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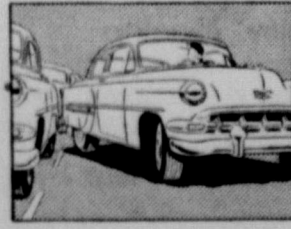
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Carbon Monoxide From Gas Heaters Is Deadly Poison

There is no doubt that carbon monoxide—associated with gas heaters—is one of the most deadly and least publicized of all the poisonous gases, said Dr. Geo. W. Cox, state health officer. Carbon monoxide is formed when there is not enough oxygen mixed with the burning gas, or when the design and operation of the equipment is faulty.

With a toxicity comparable to the gases that have been used in warfare, not enough attention has been given to the deadly effects of prolonged exposure to carbon monoxide. This gas claims far more than its share of accidental deaths in Texas.

Dr. Cox makes the following recommendations for use of gas heaters:

1. Make sure the heater is properly adjusted.
2. Use metal tubing for connecting stove to gas line and check for leaks.
3. Always ventilate a room when the heater is burning.
4. Do not use any artificial gas in a heater designed for natural gas.

5. Never let the stove burn all night.

Carbon monoxide from automobile exhausts is a big health hazard, warns Dr. Cox. He said many motorists have wrecked their cars and been listed as highway deaths when carbon monoxide was the real killer. Cars should never be run in garages with the doors closed.



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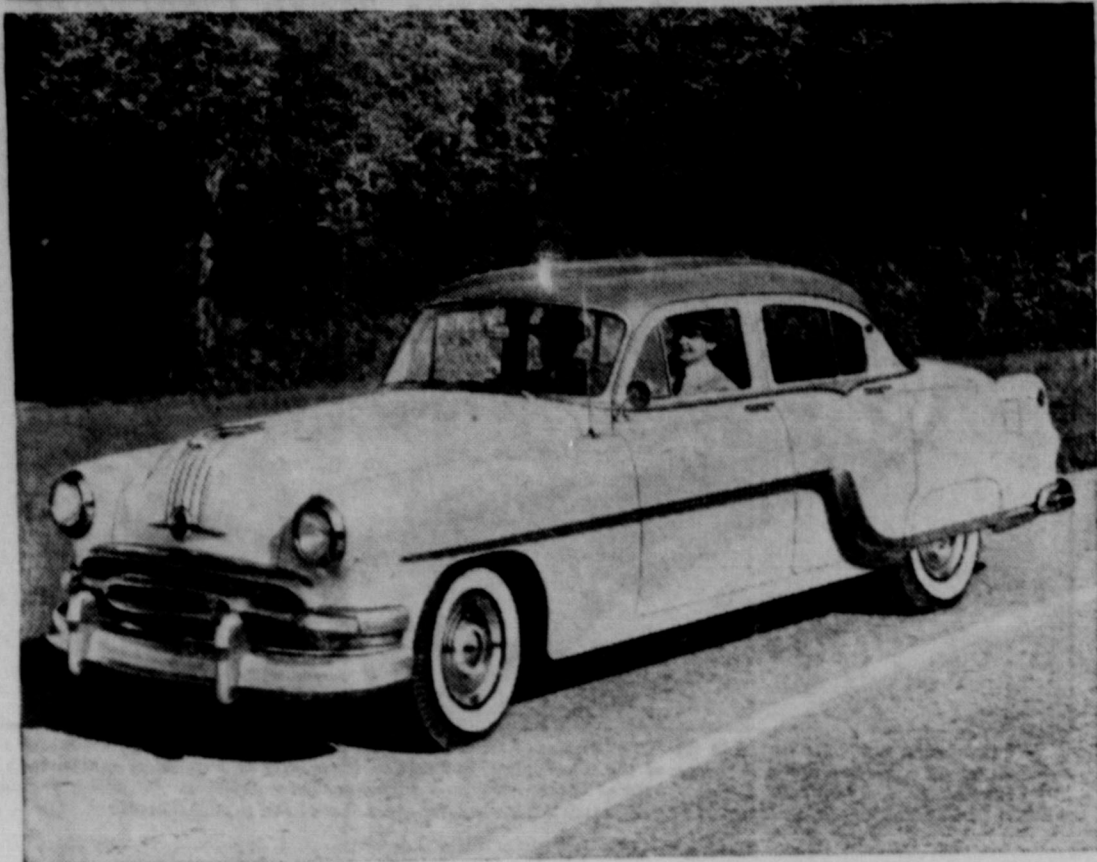


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Doctor Advises to Cook Pork Well

"Now that winter is here, our thoughts turn to pork roast dinners or perhaps to waffles and sausage suppers. From the standpoint of good nutrition, pork is good to eat. It is rich in protein, fat, and vitamin B, but undercooked or raw pork is also the most common source of a disease called trichinosis," Dr. Geo. W. Cox, state health officer, said.

Trichinosis is caused by a tiny parasite which is found in the muscular tissue of infested animals. When such meat is eaten, the parasites multiply and enter the blood stream, causing fever, intense pain in the muscles and a high white blood cell count. Symptoms of trichinosis are varied. It may be confused with typhoid fever, food poisoning, colitis, rheumatism, pneumonia, and many other diseases. However, you need not worry about becoming ill with this disease if you cook pork thoroughly.

According to Dr. Cox, pork that has been thoroughly cooked will not transmit trichinosis—they die at 137 degrees Fahrenheit. When pork becomes white and no pink color remains in the center of the cut as well as around the edges, it is safe to eat. Long, slow cooking will do the trick and retain the delicious juices of the pork.

This disease is transmitted in hogs principally by the feeding of uncooked garbage which invariably contains raw pork scraps containing the parasite of trichinosis. It is, therefore, essential for hog raisers and farmers to cook all garbage before feeding it to swine.

Dr. Cox says, "Don't let your fear of this disease rob you of your enjoyment of pork and its products, which are delicious and good for you. The most important preventive measure is—eat only pork that is well cooked."

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lee and children of Pampa visited with Mrs. O. K. Lee and Mrs. Frank Golightly Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Anders and family visited with Mr. and Mrs. Roger Smith in Magic City Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Green of Amarillo spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Appling.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis West of Hereford spent the week-end in the home of their daughter, Mrs. J. C. Claborn and family.

We Will Be Closed
Thursday, Friday,
Saturday,
Dec. 24, 25, 26

Merry Christmas
McLEAN LAUNDRY
Cleo Edwards

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Drew Word visited with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Purcell and family in New Mexico, and Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Frier and Z. H. Cook in Amarillo over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Farley of Lubbock spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. John B. Rice.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Dean and children of Skellytown visited in the home of Mrs. Dean's sister, Mrs. James Massay and family, Saturday night.

Clifford McDonald, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. McDonald, underwent a tonsillectomy in Groom hospital last Wednesday. He is at home and reported as doing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Howard, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Rice, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Howard, and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Farley visited with Mrs. H. E. Franks near Ramsdell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Andrews and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Howard and son Dan attended a family reunion in Childress Sunday. The reunion was in celebration of the 90th birthday of Mrs. Andrews' and Mrs. Howard's father, C. B. Reeve.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Funk of Fort Morgan, Colo., visited last Monday and Tuesday in the Wib Fowler home. Mr. Funk is a brother of Mrs. Fowler.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Jones, Byrd and Sue Jones, and Mrs. Lillie Johns visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jones in Sunray Sunday.

Mrs. Sam McClellan was taken to Temple Monday to undergo surgery.

Mrs. W. T. Eldridge and Mr. and Mrs. Woody Wilkerson spent the week-end in Amarillo visiting with relatives.

THE AMERICAN WAY



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Stephen McNally, Alexis Smith,
Jan Sterling

"Split Second"

Saturday:
Gene Tierney, Cornel Wilde

"Leave Her to Heaven"

in Technicolor

Sunday, Monday:

John Wayne, Lloyd Nolan,
Walter Abel, James Arness

"Island in the Sky"

Tuesday, Wednesday:

Victor Mature, Jean Simmons

"Affair with a Stranger"

Thursday, Friday:

Ann Sheridan, Sterling Hayden,
Philip Reed

"Take Me to Town"

in Technicolor



It was one of those mountain roads and the tourist stopped to ask directions from a native. "Pardon me, sir," said the stranger, "can you tell me where this road goes?" "Well," said the hillbilly, "this road just moseys along a piece, then it turns into a hog trail, then a squirrel track, and finally runs up a scrub pine, and ends in a knothole."

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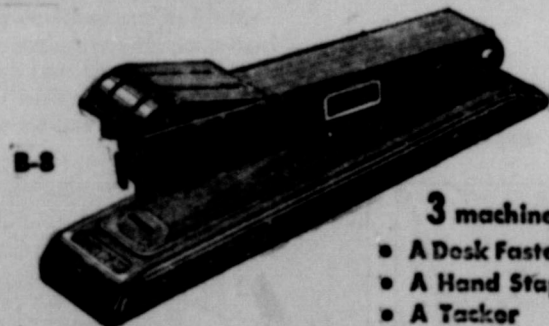


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Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Etchison of Borger visited with Mrs. M. M. Newman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Barrett, Melvin Butrum, and Mrs. Bobby Williams attended the Phillips-Ballinger football game in Wichita Falls Saturday.

Mrs. J. R. McClellan was in Pampa Tuesday of last week on business.

Mrs. Jess Leibetter and daughter were in Amarillo last Wednesday on business.

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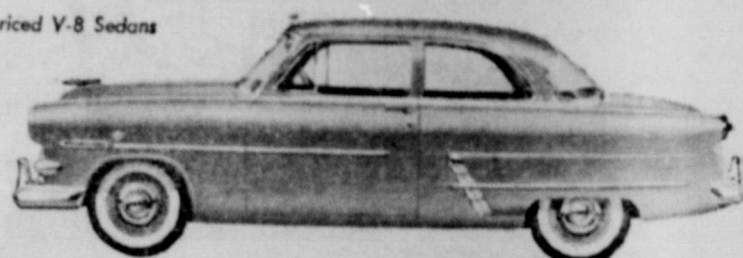
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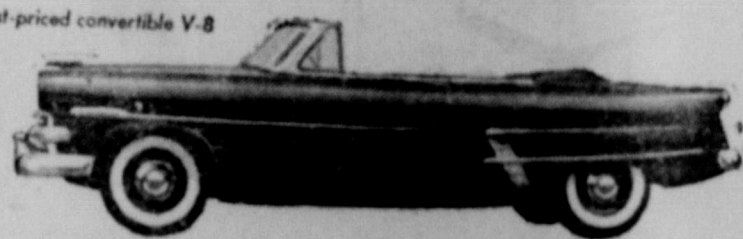
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Christmas Theme Of Regular Meet Of Local W. S. C. S.

The Christmas program for the W. S. C. S. was held at the McLean Methodist Church with Mrs. Amos Thacker as leader, and Mesdames Chas. Carpenter, Walter Foster, and Will Bogan as hostesses.

The Christmas theme in decorations included hurricane lamps, evergreens, and Christmas ornaments on the mantel. Twin tables held Madonnas with spruce and red roses; large red candles and pine cones, and a large centerpiece of pine and holly with lighted angel, graced the large table which was piled high with gift packages.

The program opened with the song, "Come All Ye Faithful." Mrs. Thacker announced the next numbers. Mrs. Bogan read the Christmas story from Luke; then came the surprise number when Mrs. Guy Hester, posing as Matilda Jones, pastor of Sunny Side Church in Dark Town, U. S. A. came to the pulpit and delivered a sermon on "No Vacancy." It was a stirring message and was greatly appreciated by all present. "Silent Night" was sung, and prayer was led by Mrs. Carpenter.

"Memories of St. Nicholas" was followed by the exchange of gifts.

Refreshments of date cake and coffee were served to Mesdames C. H. Day, W. M. Rhodes, John Sparks, J. L. Hess, Madge Page, Walter Bailey, J. L. Andrews, Alice Wilson, Byrd Guill, Ferd Bones, Ellen Wilson, J. E. Kirby, Homer Wilson, C. W. Parmenter, Lloyd Hinton, R. N. Ashby, D. A. Davis, George Humphreys, S. J. Dyer, Hester, Carpenter, Thacker, Foster, and Bogan.

20% off at Bill Day's.

E. J. Windom and E. J. Windom Jr., were in Amarillo Friday on business.

SOCIETY

Pioneer Study Club Meets in Home of Mrs. Evan Sitter

The Pioneer Study Club met Thursday, December 10, in the home of Mrs. Evan Sitter, an associate member.

The house was beautifully decorated with a Christmas tree. Each member was presented a Christmas corsage as she arrived. Hostesses for the occasion were the associate members, Mesdames Earl Stubblefield, J. Edwin Kerr, Harold McColum, C. W. Parmenter, Buell Wells, and Sitter.

For the program, each member told a story. Those giving the best stories were crowned queens for a day. They were Mrs. Vernon Gibson and Mrs. Carl Jones.

Refreshments representing the Christmas motif were served to Mesdames Jim Back, W. E. Bogan, J. D. Coleman, H. W. Finley, Gibson, C. R. Griffith, Forrest Hupp, Jones, Clyde Magee, Miro Pagan, Hap Rogers, June Story, B. L. Webb, June Woods, and Guy Hester.

Gifts were exchanged by the members. Gifts were also sent to Girlstown.

Mrs. Allen Graves and daughters of Wellington visited with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Green Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Willis, Mrs. Clyde Willis, and Mrs. Walter Bailey were in Amarillo Monday on business.

Mrs. Earnest Jones and daughter of Shamrock visited with Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Stokely Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Sharp and children were in Pampa Saturday on business.

Christmas Party Of Ladies Auxiliary At Kemp Home

The Presbyterian Ladies Auxiliary met in the home of Mrs. Jess Kemp Tuesday for the annual Christmas party.

The house was decorated in the holiday motif. Mrs. Don Alexander presented the following program: hymn, "Silent Night"; devotional and prayer, Mrs. Arthur Erwin; "Christmas Time," Mrs. C. O. Goodman; "I Am Dreaming of a Green Christmas," Mrs. Bill Stubbs; solo, "White Christmas," Mrs. Kemp; "Christmas Is More Than a Greeting," Mrs. Alexander; "The Lord's Prayer," Caroline Stokes, accompanied by Mrs. Travis Stokes.

Gifts were exchanged from a lighted tree. Mrs. Kemp, Mrs. J. R. Glass, and Mrs. John B. Rice served refreshments to Mesdames C. E. Corts, Claude Powell, Stubbs, E. J. Windom Jr., Elizabeth Major, C. O. Goodman, Arthur Erwin, S. R. Jones, Alexander, E. J. Windom, Percy Snooks, J. Edwin Kerr, C. E. Cooke, Kid McCoy, Stokes, B. E. Glass, W. W. Shaddi, and Caroline Stokes and Pat Windom.

Members of the Dorcas Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. W. E. Rainwater Tuesday afternoon for their annual Christmas party.

A short business session was held, after which gifts were exchanged.

Refreshments were served by the hostess to Mesdames E. L. Price, Homer Abbott, Bill Boyd, Roy Reeves, Frank Reeves, John Biggers, J. J. Rallsback, Raymond Smith, Andy Goodwin, Morris Shelton, and J. B. Caudill.

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E. J. Windom and E. J. Windom Jr., were in Amarillo Friday on business.

Miller, and Mrs. Lonnie Day; "Sing the Song of the Cross," Mrs. Scotty McDonald; hymn, "Joy to the World"; prayer, Mrs. E. L. Price.

Gifts were exchanged after the program. There were 21 present.

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Mrs. L. M. Blaylock of Pampa and Mrs. Thomas and son of Groom visited with Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Sharp Sunday.

Merry Melody Club Meeting Is Held At Local Church

The Merry Melody Music Club met Friday, December 11, in the McLean Methodist Church under the direction of Mrs. Kenneth Wilson.

Repertoires were played by by Donna Ruth Magee, Pat and Mike Jenkins, and Marsha Andrews. Hostesses were Mesdames Clyde Magee, J. H. Jenkins, and

Clyde Andrews. Refreshments were served to about 50 guests and students.

Students making the A honor roll were Suzanne Hibler, Marsha Andrews, Michal and David Massay, Darla Jane Hill, Pat and Mike Jenkins, Pamela Mann, Cinda Pugh, Ann Terry, Peggy Sharp, Caroline Parker, and Lequita Wells.

Frank Rodgers, who is working in LaJara, Colo., is home for the holidays.

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The W. M. U. of the First Baptist Church held its royal service program Tuesday.

The program was as follows: "The Gift of God's Love," Mrs. Howard Williams; "solo," "For God So Loved the World," Mrs. Paul Miller; scripture, "Prophecy and Fulfillment," Mrs. Charles Bailey and Mrs. George Colebank; "A Song in the Night," Marnelle Ledgerwood; "The Message of the Song," Mrs. Troy Corbin; "Stewards of the Gospel," Mrs. Don Allen; "The Song Must Be Sung," Mrs. Frank Simpson; "Others Are Singing With Us," Mrs. Bailey, Mrs.

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Found—3-year-old whiteface cow. Has blotched brand high on right hip. See James Noel. 1p

MISCELLANEOUS

See John Mertel for real estate. Phone 17. 38-1fc

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Sisters—

(Continued from page 1)

of years. She had been cared for by her sister, Mrs. Blakney, who had expressed the hope that she could live as long as her older sister.

Mrs. Clark moved to Alanreed from Norman, Okla., about 20 years ago.

Mrs. Blakney was born January 24, 1876, also in Huntsville. She had been a resident of Alanreed for 42 years, moving there from Beaver, Okla.

Survivors of Mrs. Clark are a son, Gray Hudveitz of Douglas, Ariz.; two grandsons, Alfred B. Clark of Cone and Leon Clark of Houston; and a granddaughter, Mary Ann Bradley of Pineville, Mo.

Survivors of Mrs. Blakney are a daughter, Mrs. Buddy Hill of Alanreed; and three grandchildren, Murrell Emmitt Hill, Tommie Dee Hill, and Norma Sue Hill, all of Alanreed.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Meier of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Switzer and children of Keller, Okla. were dinner guests in the Stratton home Sunday, the occasion being in celebration of Mrs. Laura Stratton's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Legon Burris went to Oklahoma City and Tulsa, Okla., last Friday after their Christmas potted plants.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Langham and son of Childress visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Langham, Sunday.

Mrs. Clyde Andrews and children, and Mrs. E. J. Windom Jr. and sons were in Amarillo Saturday on business.

Ann Cooper, student at WTSC Canyon, spent the week-end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Colebank.

Arizona Man Likely To Detour Off '66' Next Time Through

There's a Mr. Lang of Flagstaff, Ariz., who is beginning to have a thorough dislike for one point on Highway 66. The point he doesn't like is that about five miles west of Alanreed where the single lane road turns into a double-lane highway.

Just about one year ago, in the fall of 1952, Mr. Lang was passing through this part of the country when the pick-up he was driving caught fire from a faulty fuel line. The fire occurred at the place about five miles west of Alanreed.

Last Saturday, just about the time he remarked to his daughter who was accompanying him on the trip, that "this is the place where my pick-up caught fire a year ago," something which smelled like burning rubber was noticed. Lang stopped the sedan, and sure enough, it was on fire. Again the trouble was a bad fuel line.

Passing trucks stopped and drivers helped extinguish the burning car with fire extinguishers.

CLASSES PICK ALL-FAVORITES

All-school and class favorites were selected by the students of McLean High School last week. All-school favorites are Christine Hunt and Wayne Moore, both seniors.

Senior class favorites are Jack Hupp and Barbara Wilson; Junior, Beverly Henry and Jimmy Farron; sophomore, Marie Watson and Floyd Skipper; and freshman, Ann Sligar and Joe Dwyer.



If you are planning on retiring, it might be to your advantage to have a talk with a representative of your local social security office well in advance of your planned retirement date. J. R. Sanderson, manager of the Amarillo social security office, pointed out this week.

Inasmuch as retirement payments are based on your average monthly wages or average monthly income from self employment, the time you file your claim may affect your monthly check, he declared.

"Don't quit your job until you are sure you are insured," Sanderson cautioned. He said that your local social security representative will give you information that may help you decide on the best time to file your claim and will advise of the documents or evidence necessary to prove your right to payments.

You are invited to contact your Amarillo social security office and ask for the leaflets, "An Easy Way to Estimate Social Security Payments" and "Your Social Security."

Three New Tests For Gas Announced

Three more gas test locations have been announced for the area near McLean, two by the Panoma corporation and one by the Phillips Petroleum company.

The locations are as follows: Panoma corporation—H. Hunt No. A-1—1480 feet from S. 1220 feet from W lines of Sec. 12, Blk. 30, H&GN survey; 2.5 mi. N from McLean. PD 2800 feet.

Panoma corporation—J. Krouch No. A-1—1320 feet from N & E lines of Sec. 187, Blk. E, D&P survey; 3 mi. SE from McLean.

Phillips Petroleum company—Crisp No. 1—2310 feet from S & W lines of Sec. 14, Blk. B-2, H&GN survey; 4 mi. NW from Alanreed. PD 3100 feet.

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Stokely and Mrs. Sarah Woody spent a few days last week visiting with relatives and friends in Dale, Okla., and Oklahoma City. Mrs. Woody remained for an extended visit.



Dr. Clement Moore Was Ashamed of His Famous Poem

Dr. Clement Moore was ashamed of his famous poem, "Night Before Christmas" and would not acknowledge that he wrote it for more than 20 years. Today, the poem which begins—

Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house, Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;

is one of the most beloved of all Christmas writings.

Dr. Moore was an aloof professor of Greek and Oriental literature in the Episcopal Seminary in New York. He wrote the poem on Christmas Eve 1822 and read it to his seven children.

He had not planned for the poem to go further than his own family, but a relative who was visiting the Moores put a copy in her diary. The next year the relative's father sent it to a newspaper.

Other newspapers printed the jingles and they quickly became known all over the country. The dignified Dr. Moore was embarrassed and considered it beneath a man of his scholastic standing to be the author of children's jingles.

Twenty-two years later, however, he finally publicly admitted authorship of the jingles and it was published in book form under his name for the first time.

Camels and pigs are said to be unable to swim.



At Home—

NEW BOSS

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hamilton of Borger, former McLean residents, are the parents of a daughter, born December 3 in Pampa. She weighed 6 pounds, 2 ounces, and has been named Christine Louise. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Lowary of McLean.

with the boys

Pfc. Jesse W. Roberts is spending a 21-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Roberts of the Back community. Pfc. Roberts has just completed his recruit training with the Marine Corps. His address, after he returns to base, will be: Pfc. Jesse W. Roberts, 1410760, M. C. B., Camp Pendleton, Calif.

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