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HOW STRONG ARE WE?

As a new year begins, it is the part of wisdom for a nation, like Soil Practices and its liabilities.

States has an unrivaled standard of living. Our men and women eajoy wages and working conditions superior to those existing anywhere else. The tide of goods and services that flows endlessly along the American production and distribution line staggers the imagination. Materially speaking, business, agriculture and labor are doing weil.

We have a political system which comes as near being responsive to the wishes of the people as one can conceive of. In the last presidential election the people removed from power a party which had been in control for 20 years and put another in its place. In some future election the party now are free to air their views.

We are no longer actually at war, unsatisfactory as the Korean In the case of practices which situation is. If recent reports are correct, our military strength and The chance of another world war is less than it was.

So much for the credit side of fore work can begin. the ledger. What of the debits?

tic development of recent times has been the growing dependence Mrs. Dunlap said. of millions of people on government, to provide services and bene-

inevitable undermining of econo- ranchmen.

mic and political freedoms.

\$400 Limit For nd its liabilities. On the credit side, the United In 1954 Program

\$2.00 a Year In Texas-\$2.50 Elsewhere

Prior Approval Is Required Before Work **Can Start**

An individual limit of \$400 for each operator has been set on the amount of federal cost-share assistance on soil conservation practices to be carried out by ranchmen in Crockett county in 1954, Mrs. Mary Dunlap, executive officer in the local Agricultural Sta-

bilization Conservation office, announced this week following a meeting of the local county committee.

The New year's program will get under way January 1, but Mrs. in power will be replaced. But no Dunlap stressed the fact that no heads roll; no purges are held; ranch operator may begin any the losers are not liquidated. All conservation practice until a prior approval is issued from the local office.

require density appraisals, such as eradication of cedar, prickly 4-H Club Makes that of Western Europe have pear and other noxious plants from that of Western Europe have pasture land, such appraisal must Final Preparation be made by Claude Russell, appraier for this county, before prior approval can be issued and be-

Prior approvals and work or-The most disheartening domes- ders will be issued for a period of six months from date of issue,

Seventy ranchmen in this counment, mainly the federal govern- ty have already signed up for participation in the 1954 program, shaping stalls at the 4-H Club fits that, if a free system is to Mrs. Dunlap reported. Those barn as some 25 club members prebe preserved, must remain the res- ranchmen who did not sign up in pare their lambs for the seventh ponsibility of the individual and the initial sign-up period may do annual Crockett County 4-H Club the family group. There has been so any time after January 1, she Livestock Show set for Saturday,

the family group. There has been as one time after January 1, she livestock Show set to be a structure of a bind seeking for a kind of crad-said . In the sweep of history, has al-in the sweep of history, has al-timate slavery . The most obvious set and ul-so any time after January 1, she Livestock Show set to be a structure of anuary 9. The 4-H club boys and girls have approximately 100 lambs on feed and some outstanding show ani-mals are expected to be ready for the county show next week. The county show next week. manifestations of super-govern-ment are crushing taxes and the be distributed among cooperating bished sometime next week in

Another phase of the debits is und in the long strides that have been made in either socializing outright American enterprises and to so much government dictation and control that socialization comes ever nearer. And socialism, ling, water wen drilling, pipe-with the A&M Extension Service, of communism or some similar sys-tem of government by oppression been set up from April 1 to November 1. Ranchmen who wish to de-It is true that our present gov- fer acreage may select any five ernment is pledged to reverse this consecutive months cut of the deadly process .It is true that eight to qualify for deferred grazsome heartening steps in that di- ing at 20 cents per acre, up to the

Crime Free, Accident Free Christmas Goes Into Crockett Record

It was a very quiet Christmas, Sheriff V. O. Earnest reports of events in Ozona and Crockett county. The holiday period has, so far, gone without being married by either accident or serious crime in Crockett county, the Steriff reports.

Most places of business in Ozona were closed over the long week-end in observance of Christmas and Ozonans pretty generally observed the time off in consuming holidays turkey and other Christmas goodies and in enjoying family and friends.

Ozona businesses enjoyed a fine Christmas business in spite of the fact that the area is into its fourth year of drought. Oil development in the county has served to provide a buffer for business against drought depression, but ranchmen and business people alike are pinning their hopes on the new year to bring a final end to the pro- ty in the year of its organization longed drought.

-000 For Annual Show Lambs Being Readied

As Date Nears For **County Show**

There's feverish activity in the

readiness for the show.



Member Pioneer **Crockett Family Bur**ied Here Wed.

Funeral services were held at from the First Baptist Church here for Will L. Miller, 71, member of a prominent Crockett county ranch family, who died Monday on his

county. Mr. Miller, who had been in failing health for several years, had lived on the ranch near Ackerly for the past 18 years but still maintained a home in Ozona and called Ozona home.

A son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jones Miller, pioneer ranching couple who came to Crockett counin 1891, Mr. Miller was born in moving here.

ler, who ranches near Fluvanna, trict play to this year. Texas; three sisters; Mrs. J. W. Owens, Mrs. Paul Hallcomb and Mrs. P. T. Robison, all of Ozona; twin brothers, Rob and Roy Miller of Ozona; seven grand children and two great-grandchildren. Services were conducted by the Held Here Jan. 5 Rev. Blake Woolbright, pastor, assisted by Rev. Haynes of Ackery. Burial was Cedar Hill Ce-

metery. Pallbearers were Lowel! Littleton, Madden Read, Houston Smith, Dr. J. A. Fussell, Jim Dudley, Earl Berry , Oscar Kost and

Cody Funeral Home of Ozona and Higginbotham Funeral Home of Lamesa were in charge of the services.



Chirstmas Holidays End Next Monday for Ozona School Children Age Children To

THURSDAY, DEC. 31, 1953

A twelve-day holiday for Christmas will come to an end next Monday for Ozona school children. Classes will be resumed Monday morning after a holiday lasting from Tuesday afternoon of Christmas week. The high school group will enjoy a New Year's eve 10 o'clock Wednesday morning dance at the North Elementary auditorium this eveing, the event sponsored by the Freshman class.

The interrupted basketball schedule will be resumed Tuesday Lions will seek to break into the Smith announced this week. win column in a set-to against the Big Lake Owls. The Lions have stumbled eight times in a row but in the last games were showing a steady improvement in both offense and defense.

The basketball schedule calls for another game Friday night of next week in Rankin, for a second try at the Rankin Red Devils. After that, only one practice game in 1891, Mr. Miller was born in Belton. The family lived for a launch into district play against time in McCulloch county before Sonora on the Sonora court the night of January 12. The Lions will Survivors include the widow; be defending a five-year winning school enrollment records. Howtwo daughters, Mrs. Glyn Cates streak in District play when they San Angelo; one son, Morris Milcord of 19 straight wins in dis-

-000 **Baptist Workers' Conference** To Be

More Than 100 From Area Churches Expected to Attend

Blake Woolbright, host pastor, an- cluded. nounced this week.

McCamey, Crane, Iraan, Sheffield. value to the schools. This census Imperial, Grand Falls, Bakersfield, is the basis on which the county and Todd Field. Attendance at school system receives its per capithe forthcoming Conference was icstimated at between 100 and 200 school funds. Last year this fifrom these churches. be Dr. James B. Leavell, pastor fore, would make a serious dent in The Elkhorn (Ellenburger) field of the First Baptist Church in the school's available funds. of Crockett County, located 14 San Angelo, Dr. Leavell will speak lambs in the show will be eligible miles northwest of Ozona, has at 11:30 a. m. on the topic "Our children not in school are urged been extended one location south Ministry for Christ in 1954." and %-mile west on the northwest The theme of the Conference will side with the completion of Con- be "This Year For Christ", stres- enumerated. Mrs. Chandler maintinental Oil Co. 6-27 University for sing the dedication of service in a calculated daily flowing poten- the new year . The conference will tial of 1,202 barrels of oil, gravity open at 10 a. m. with song serunreported, with gas-oil ratio of vice. Rev. E. P. Gonzales, pastor of The potential was based on an the Ozona Latin-American Bap-ctual five-hour flow of 250.50 bar-tist Church, will open the discusactual five-hour flow of 250.50 bar- tist Church, will open the discusrels of oil though a 32-64-inch sion of the Conference theme with **Be Paid In Jan.**

Census Of School Be Taken In Jan.

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New Law Sets Up Enumeration Period From Month of March

Under a new law, the scholastic ensus will be taken in 1954 during the month of January rather than in March as heretofore and machinery has been set up to begin the enumeration here on Janranch near Ackerly, in Dawson night when Coach Pelto's Ozona uary 1, County Judge Houston

Mrs. W. H. Chandler, business secretary to the County Superintendent, has been named as enumerator for this county and will begin the operation with the resumption of classes in the local schools next Monday .The enumeration must be completed by the last day of January.

A plan which has been followed here in previous years and proved very effective, will be used again this year. All children enrolled in the public schools willbe enumeraever, there will be many scholastics who will not be on this list and the public's cooperation is sought in seeing that every eligible child in the age bracket is enrolled.

The scholastic age bracket is from six years through eighteen, with September 1 the dividing line. All children who were six years of age on or before September 1, 1953, and all who will not reach their 19th birthday before next September 1, will be eligible for inclusion in the census lists. Particular attention is called to the fact that children and youths from Croc-Baptist pastors and workers kett county homes who are attendfrom eigt area churches will con- ing schools or colleges elsewhere verge on Ozona on Tuesday, Jan- and who are within the age brackuary 5, to attend the Castle Gap ets are eligible for enumeration Associational Workers Conference here. Also, any child in the age which will be held at the First bracket who is living in Ozona on Baptist Church in Ozona, Rev. or before January 31 may be in-

The Castle Gap Association is the name of every child within Importance of the inclusion of nposed of churches in Ozona, the age limits is a dollar and cents Guests speaker for the day will gure was \$68 per scholastic. A few failures in listing names, there New residents and those with to cooperate with the census taker in seeing that all children are tains office in the northwest corner on the first floor of the court-

historically, is but the forerunner deferred grazing. and terror.

rection have been made. It is e- individual limit. qually true that the forces that would destroy our free system and their chance.

As a matter of self preservation Mrs. Gertrude Perry. we must put the welfare of the nation first in considering important national issues, because our jobs, our business, our farms, and our liberties depend upon the perpetuation of a strong nation of self-governing people.

What the decision will be depends entirely upon our moral strength. Will we welcome policies and programs that are in accord with the philosophy of maximum freedom for all and will we accept the temporary financial dislocations that such policies and program may create? It will not be easy to end the era of do-all, giveall government. But, if the traditions and ideals to which we all pay lip service, and which have made us great and strong are to be preserved, it is as necessary as the air we breathe.

Nineteen fifty-four will be a year to test whether the American people will have what it takes to maintain themselves as independent individuals.

------WENDLE SCOTT PASTOR L. A. CHURCH OF CHRIST

Wendle Scott of Hollis, Okla., has accepted the post as minister of the Ozona Latin-American Church of Christ, Mr. Scott, who is married and the father of two children, attended Abilene Christian College.

Lt. Joe Perry left this morning ticipants in the show. replace it with a very different to return to his post at Fort Bragg. kind of system are still awaiting N. C., after spending the Christmas holidays here with his mother, here from Pecos to spend Christ-

will judge the show. Lemuel Jones of Junction will be the autioneer in the sale of lambs to follow the show. Each club member showing lambs in the show will be eligible

The Ozona Butane Co. will furnish a barbecue dinner at noon show day for visitors and all par-

Mr. and Mrs. John Patrick were mas visiting relatives.

HAIL AND FAREWELL



New Heavy Producer To South

440-1. There was no water.

7,397-7,427 feet in 51/2-inch casing Life for Christ in 1954." 7,397-7,427 feet in 5¹/₂-inch casing cemented at 7,429 feet, the total At 10:30, Rev. R. L. Shannon, For Vote In 1954 500 gallons.

Pressures were unreported

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Some Ozona Business

Depending on individual plan- for Christ in 1954." houses planned to close for the W. M. U. representatives. day, Roy Thompson, secrretary of intention of remaining open, point- days his two daughters and their office.

Pvt. Charles E. Trotter has writ- ters, Okla. ten his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Trotter, that he arrived in Sasebo, attend a C. B. R. School.

depth. Drilled out depth is 7,428 pastor of the Rankin Baptist feet pay section was acidized with Church, will speak on "Our Organization For Christ in 1954."

"Our Light. His Word in 1954" will be the discussion topic for Location is in 27-46-University. Rev. J. W. Jones, pastor of the Sheffield Baptist Church, at 10:50.

ning, there will be a partial clos- A luncheon will be served in the office reminded Crockett county ing of business firms in Ozona fellowship hall of the church dur- residents this week. on New Year's Day ,according to ing the noon hour. Beginning at Only a small part of the county's a survey completed at mid week. 1:15 in the afternoon there will be voting strength has been regis-A large number of business a board meeting and meeting of tered via the poll tax payment

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ting to the difficulty of a first-of- husbands, Mr. and Mrs. O. O. To qualify for the voting privilthe-month holiday and the fact Snipes of Walters, Okla., and Mr. ege, in addition to paying the \$1.75 that the holiday comes at week-end and Mrs. Frank Elkins of Wauri- per head poll tax, a person must and on the heels of the long double ka, Okla., and a granddaughter and be 21 years of age, a citizen of holiday observed for Christmas. her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Guy the United States ,a resident of

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Japan, on Dec. 14. He left there Christmas guests their son and Austin were holiday guests of Christmas day for Eta Jimo, an daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Madden Read at the island in the Japanese group, to Henry Patrick and son, Donnie, Read ranch. Mrs. Jones is Mr. of Hobbs N. M.

Collector Reminds Of Deadline For Qualifying For Vote

Only one more month remains Walter Dunlap of Ozona, a lay in which to pay poll taxes to quali-Places Close New Year leader in the local church, will fy for the voting privilege in the speak at 11:10 on "Our Testimony election year of 1954, Sheriff V. O. Earnest and the tax collecting

route to date, and voters are urged

to make payment at the earliest the Retail Merchant Assn. report- J. A. Marley of Ozona had as date possible to avoid a last-mied, but several firms announced guests during the Christmas holi- nute congestion in the collector's

> Fletcher and two children of Wal- the state a year and of the county six months.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joe Patrick had as Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Jones of

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A FORGOTTEN DEBT

WASHINGTON - Most Ameri- lows: can families think they have a pretty good idea of what they owe. So much for department store the total is close to \$2,900, accord. erty, to-wit: of the United States.

OZONA STOCKMAN bout \$274.5 billion, or about \$6,- weather boards; "000 3-foot clap-0008 is just \$3,108 more than the boards; 1500 10-foot fence rails; average family owes for its own 160 gatlon soap kettle; 85 sugar Ozona, Crockett County, Texas expenses. Interest alone on the troughs, made of white ash timnational debt amounts to \$144 an- ber; 10 gallons of maple syrup; nually per family. These are a- 2 spinning wheels; 30 pounds of mong the reasons why the Chamber mutton tallow, 1 la ge loom made is convinced that all of us can by Jerry Wilson; 300 poles; 100 have more if the government split hoops; 100 empty barrels;

> 000 Sale Bill of '49er **Makes** Interesting **Reading For Today**

spends less.

What was among the common possessions of an ordinary farm Miller; 50 gallons of soft soap; family in 1849 is revealed in a sale hams, bacon and lard; 40 gallons charged for at regular advertising bill of that time recently published of sorghum molasses, six head of in the Cameron Herald .The ori- fox hounds, all soft mouthed exginal bill listing items which one cept one. character of any person or firm J. L. Moss offered for sale was be gladly and promptly corrected found among personal papers of a Cameron man's father. The clipif called to the attention of the ping from the Cameron newspaper and 50 years old; 2 mulatto wenches, was sent by District Judge O. D. 40 and 30 years old. Will sell Graham of Cameron, a brother of N. W. Graham of Ozona.

The bill, originally published in

A SALE

"Having sold my farm and am drink and eat. bills, so much for doctors bills, leaving for Oregon Territory, by the mortage on the house or farm, ox team, will offer on March 1. and so on. For an average family, 1849, all of my personal prop-

ing to the Chamber of Commerce "All ox teams except two teams, County Water Control and Buck and Ben and Tom and Jer- Improvement District No. 1 But, as citizens, everyone owes ry; 2 milk cows; 1 gray mare

another debt, likely to be gorgot- and colt; 1 pair oxen and yoke: election will be held on the second ten. That's the national debt. Pre- 2 ox carts; I iron plow with wood Tuesday in January, same being sently, the national debt total a- mole board: 800 feet of popular the 12th day of January, 1954, for

RANCH Thursday and Friday – Dec. 31, Jan. 1 MAUREEN O'HARA and JEFF CHANDLER in

THEATRE

"WAR ARROW"

Saturday - Jan. 2 WILD BILL ELLIOTT in

"VIGILANTE TERROR" - PLUS -

"ROYAL AFRICAN RIFLES

Sunday and Monday - Jan. 3 & 4 ROBERT TAYLOR and DEBORAH KERR in

1 32-gallon parrel of Johnson-Miller whisky, 7 years old; 20 gallons of apple brandy; 1 40-gallon copper still; 4 sides of oak tanned leather; 1 dozen wooden pitchforks; one-half interest in tan yard; 1 32caliber rifle; bullet molds and powder horn; rifle made by Ben

"At the same time I will sell and 50 years old; 2 boys, 12 and all together to same party, as will not esparate them.

"My home is two miles south Cynthia, Ind., in 1849, was as fol- of Versilles, Kentucky, on Mc-Connor ferry pike. Sale will begin at 8 o'clock a. m. Plenty to "J. L. MOSS"

-000-NOTICE OF AN ELECTION

For Directors of the Crockett

Notice is hereby given that an the purpose of electing two (2) directors, to serve terms of two years each, on the Board of Directors of the District.

Polling place will be the Crockett County courthouse and polls will be open from 8 a. m. to 7 p.

All laws of the State of Texas relating to the holding of elections in this state are applicable in the case of an election to choose directors of the Crockett County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1.

Applications for places on the ballot have been received from Lowell Littleton and James Baggett and the names of these two candidates will appear on the ballot. Space will be provided for writing in the names of other candidates a voter might wish to vote for, in each case striking out the name or names of the candidates whose names are printed to leave two names on the ballot signifying voter's choice to fill the two places on the board of directors. SHERMAN TAYLOR, President W. E. FRIEND, JR., Secretary

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Church of Christ Ozona, Texas E. M. Steph, Minister CHURCH CALENDAR

Lord's Day: Training Class - 6 p. m. was fired in 1953-not 1865. Worship - - -7 p. m. Wednesday: ladies Bible Class, Senior-10 a. m. Ladies Bible Class, Junior - 4 p. m. Ladies Bible Class, Junior - 4 p. m. Bible Study and Prayer - 7 p. m. Bible Study and Prayer - 7 p. m. Bible Study and Prayer - 7 p. m.

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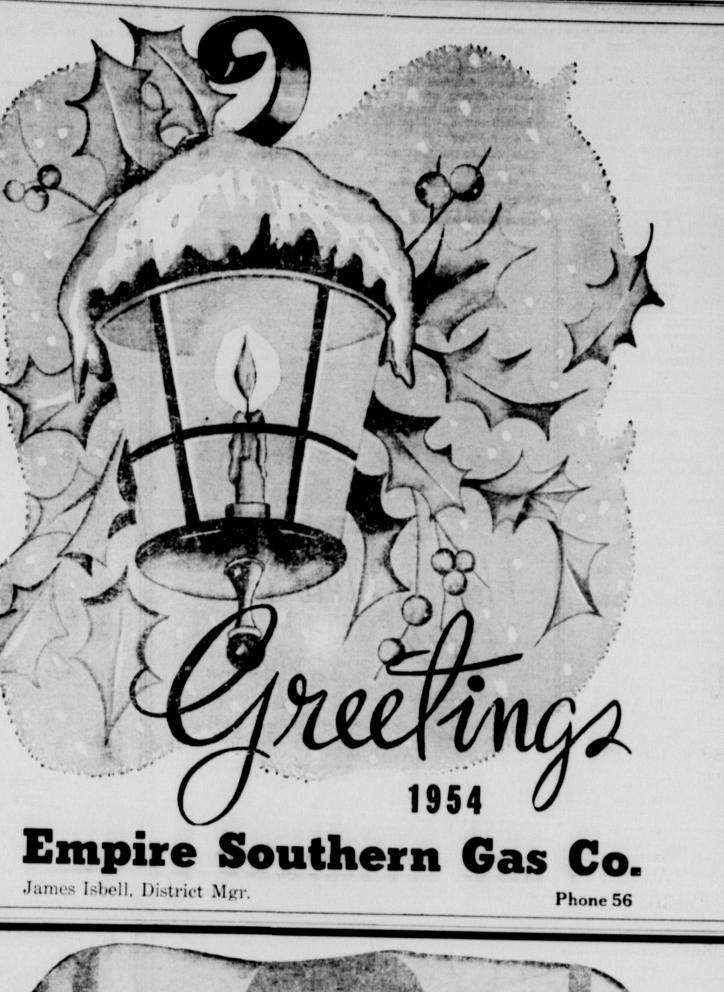
differed Tuesday with the history books and announced that Bible Study for all ages, 10 a. m. the last shot of the Civil War In its annual roundup of odd accidents around the country, the council reported.

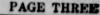
Radio Program Sunday: Herald of Truth - KGKL- 1 p. m. This is a good program that ap-pears each Sunday over a nation wide hook-up. James A. Willeford is the speaker. Be sure and hear it.

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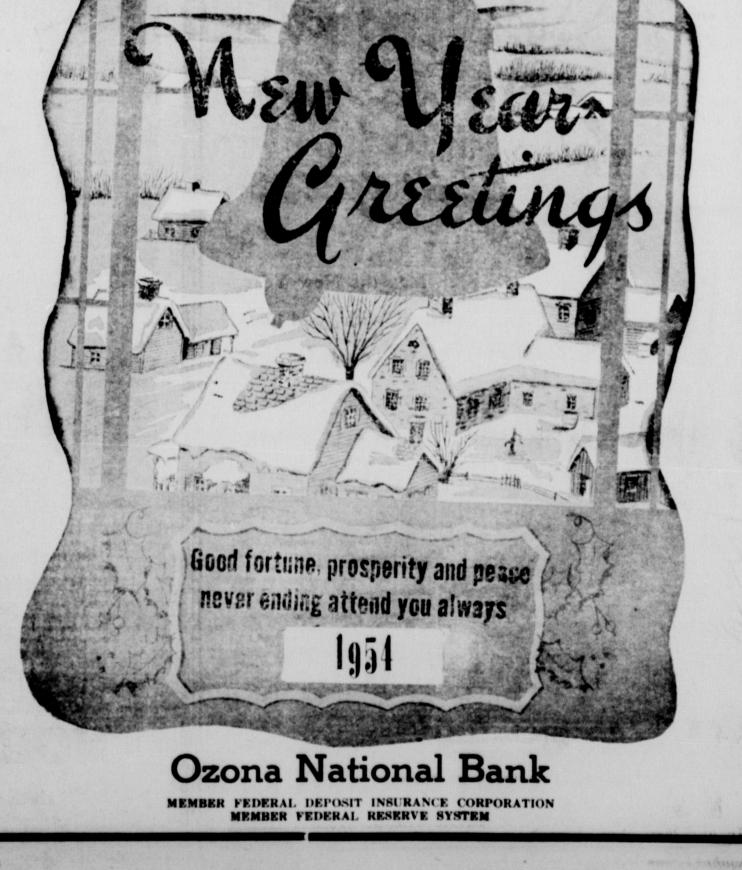








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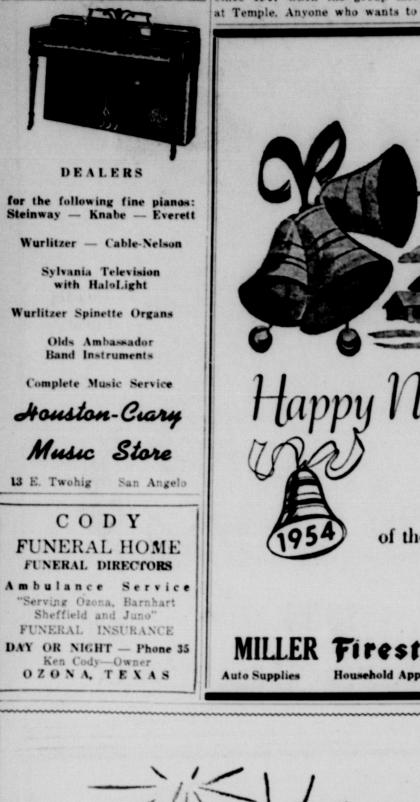
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To Hold Waco Hearing On Farm Problems Jan.

Waco-Dec. 29, Texas farmers invited to attend a public meet-House Agriculture Committee of the Waco meeting. Congress to give ideas on a farm program.

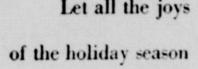
Congressman W. R. Poage, rank-



Agriculture Committee ing Democrat on the House Agri- appear before the committee is culture Committee, has completed welcome and invited to do so. At the Waco meeting, Poage arrangements with the help of Waco Chamber of Commerce, said he believed that the most Poage said he expected between discussed topics will be cotton 15 and 20 members of the commit- allotment, support prices includranchers, dairymen and anyone tee to atend. Clifford Hope, R .- ing cattle support prices), reorgaelse interested in agriculture are Kansas Chairman of the House nization of the Soll Conservation Agriculture Committee and rank- Service, and reorganization of the ing in Waco January 13 of the ing committeeman, will preside at U. S. Department of Agriculture. "But, of course, we want to hear "This will be the first meeting anything anyone has to say on of the full committee in Texas the agriculture situation," Poage

since 1947 when the group met added. -000-



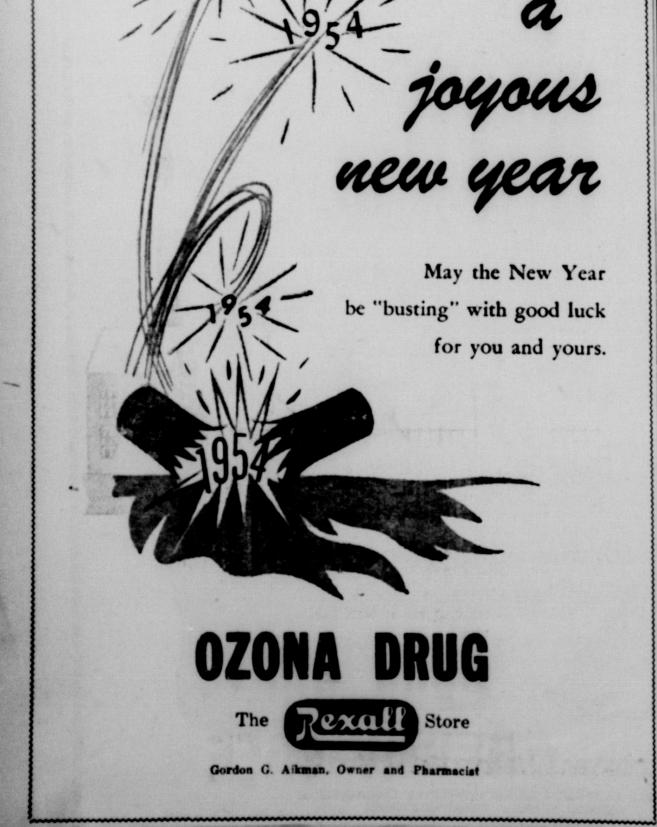


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FA 4-H Day At Worth Show Set

k Show grounds on Saturday, truth: Homemakers and 4-H Club and righteousness."

Because of the educational vathe livestock exhibits and evil." er features of the exposition, annual pilgrimage is eagerly you wolly." bearing the classes and oups roll into Fort Worth from sections of Texas and from ther states.

000 MY NEW YEAR'S GREETING TO YOU FOR 1954

1 pray my Creator, my Lord and avior for his blessings to rest n you!

I Beseech you, therefore, by the

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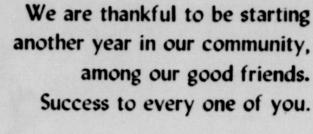
R. J. Cooke

Interest on the federal debt this "Quench not the Holy Spirit." year will be about \$6.6 billion-"Abstain from the appearance of more than the entire cost of the federal government for any year "The very God of Peace sanctify prior to 1934 with the exception of 1918 and 1919.



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Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Butler

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Christmas Gifts Sent To Boy Ranch By Ozona Ranch, received the Forum gifts Woman's Forum Group for transmission to the boys.

tion at the Country Club.

Hostesses on the occasion were Jack Williams and Joe Williams, of Dallas. Mrs. Hugh Childress, Jr., and Mrs. Pleas Childress. Program leader was Mrs. Boyd Baker. Mrs. Nip Blackstone told the Christmas story and Mrs. Joe Clayton played Christmas music.

In addition to the gifts for Boys' Ranch, members exchanged gifts

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from the big Christmas tree. Mrs. D. B. Pettit, librarian for the

Members of the Ozona Woman's were Mmos. Carl Appel, Boyd Ba- 27. The baby has been named Forum presented individual gifts ker, Charlie Black, Nip Blackstone, for all boys at West Texas Boys Hugh Childress, Jr., James Child. Son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M .Baggett Ranch and in addition a box of as- ress, Pleas Childress, Joe Clayton, of Ozona and Mr. and Mrs. Elton sorted games which all the boys Bill Clegg, Fred Hagelstein, B. B. Smith of Van Horn. could enjoy as their Christmas Ingham, Jr., Pete W. Jacoby, gift to the Ranch. The gifts were Dempster Jones, Jess Marley, Beeassembled at the annual Christ- cher Montgomery, Joe S. Pierce, mas holidays gue-ts her son-inmas party held by the organiza- III, W. T. Stokes, C. O. Walker, law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs.

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SON TO SMITHS

Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Smith of Fort Morgan, Colo., are the parents Present for the Christmas party of a son born Sunday, December Micheal Ellis Smith He is a grand--000-

Mrs. Vera Baker had as Christ-W. H. Whitaker, Charles Williams, Eddie Bower and daughter, Joan,

> 54 A Bright and Happy New Year to Our Friends

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As we turn the leaf

on the New Year

we say "Thanks,

for past favors".

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SDA Predicts Wool About Same In '54

the following discussion of the Situation, Annual Outlook Agriculture.

the increase in world production prices received by domestic pro-with severe burns about her sto-expected, but world stocks pro-ducers for the 1954 clip probably mach, hands and chest. e lower. Although total the major consuming es are up, the increase prosomewhat less than the in holdings of unsold in the Southern Hemisphere ting countries.

ted States production probabe lower next year. The sheep and lamb slaughyear suggests a reduction umber of stock sheep and wool production in 1954. theep and lamb slaughter denextvear as now appears, of pulled wool also ld be reduced.

eld consumption of wool durfirst half of this year is nated to have been about oneover early 1952. After the consumption reached a World War II low in the third of 1951, it increased for sive quarters.

luse of apparel wool in the ted States during the first half year was about one-fifth ast year. The total for the however, probably will exthat of last year by a smaller entage. If economic activity consumer purchasing power at about present levels there is no great change in requirements, mill connext year probably will early the same as this year. ces of wool in Australia since ning of the current selling have fluctuated near the prices of last June and been slightly above those year earlier. Quotations at for domestic wools early October were well above a earlier.

ices received by domestic vers for shorn wool during first 6 months of the current eting season averaged slight-

ly above last year. The mid-month will not be greatly different from averages for the first 4 months this year. were above the national average

loan rate but for August and Sep-Peggy Hagelstein, 4-year-old tember were just below. The aver- daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred age for the season probably will Hagelstein, who was seriously for wool in 1954 is con- be slightly above both last year burned when a Christmas sparka currentbooklet, "Agri- and the national average loan rate, ler ignited her dress while she In the absence of any change in and her brother, Rick, were playby the U.S. Department the international situation, wool ing with fireworks, is reported in Agriculture. he World supply of wool for the relatively stable until the end of bospital. The child suffered first season is expected to be the current selling season in Aus- and second degree burns over asame as for 1952-53. A tralia next June. Te averaghe of bout a fourth of the body area,

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New Year Wishes Lots of happy days to you, all year long. **POPULAR DRY GOODS** Samuel Martinez **JANUARY IS**



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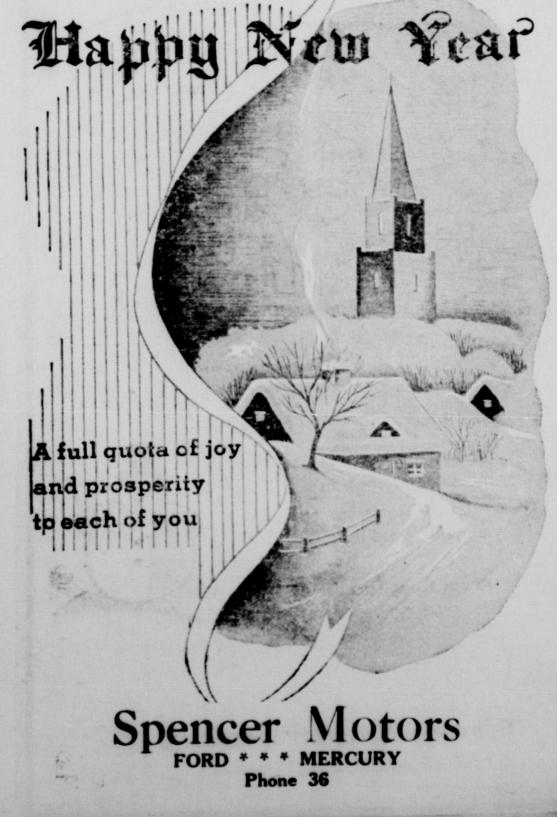
In this important election year you will want to qualify to vote by paying your poll tax.

Let us remind you that January is the last month in which you can pay your poll tax and qualify for the voting privilege - 1954.

Also if you have not yet paid your county state and school taxes, the month of January is the last in which to do so without penalty. No discount will be in effect after Jan. 1. Poll tax is \$1.75 per person-add to your tax bill.

V. O. EARNEST

Sheriff, Assessor and Collector of Taxes **Crockett** County



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Black-Eyed Peas And Hog Jowl As New Year **Dish Is Traditional**

TAYLOR, Texas -- The traditional custom of eating black-eyed peas on New Year's Day to start 1954.

That is the opinion of Elmore R. Torn, who has promoted the profession; others lay it down." wider acceptance of the custom -John C. Vivien. as his hobby for many years.

that the custom associates itself game."-Dan Bennett. with luck. Its obesrvance is more universal in the Southern States, but has now moved into practi- bly was made by a woman driver." cally all states, according to Torn.

Torn feels that the millions of people who observe the custom this year will give thanks that the who has lots of married friends." New Year of 1954 comes as a day of peace in the world, regardless of how unstable it may yet be.

At the same time they may offer a silent prayer that peace may hat."-U. F. Newlin. remain in the world and that the struggle to keep and extend free- Over 400 Deer Hides dom may gain in its march towards eventual triumph.

to join in the observance of the custom of goodwill.

Any kind of black-eved peas are the custom, but the truest inter- four state TB hospitals. pretation calls for cooking dried black-eyed peas with hog jowl.

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December Adds But Small Amount To Tax **Collection Totals**

December, the final month for earning a discount on county and state taxes, did not bring a rush of final taxpayers, Sheriff V. O. Earnest, reported this week from the tax collector's office.

Final figures for the month had not been assembled and the discount period will extend through pattern, December payments were light.

However, approximately 91 percent of the county's tax bill has tem. already been paid, Mrs. Gertrude Perry, deputy, reported.

Phone News to the Stockman

. . . and I quote: -Margaret Puchir.

-000 "You cannot have jobs without hunters to swell the growing supthe year off properly may have assets behind them."-Earl Bunt- ply of buckskin and reports size added meaning this New Year of ing, managing director of NAM. and quality of the hides improving

-000-"Some women take up law as a

-000 Eating of black-eyed peas cooked "A successful marriage is one in vith salt hog jowl on New Year's which the husband is as patient dress them to the Austin Taxider-Day carries with it the legend with his wife as he is with his golf mist Studio. Austin. Texas .But

-000-"The turn of the century proba--Franklin P. Jones.

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"A confirmed bachelor is one -Edward H. Dresschnack.

-000 "A woman can bear up under anything when she wears a new -000--

Donated For Use By Torn said he wishes to invite all Texas TB Patients

Austin - Texas deer hunters have provided a gigentic Christmas satisfactory for the observance of gift for about 2500 patients in the

> More than 400 deer hides have been received for their use in leather work, L. M. Rathbone of the Austin Taxidermist Studio, reported today. Mr. Rathbone is donating tanning services and has paid shipping costs on hides sent to him collect.

Some motor freight lines also have co-operated in the collection by carrying the hides without charge when they were advised by the hunters they were for use by the TB patients, Mr. Rathbone reported.

Hospital officials will be able this week, but, following the usual to annouce the gift during Christmas observance in the sanatoriums, according to Mrs. Alice Coombs, director of occupational therapy for the state hospital sys-

> "The soft leather will mean many hours of enjoyment to the! patients," Mrs. Coombs said. "Oc-

cupational therapy is a major need in our TB hospitals. These hides "The best way for a woman to by helping to fill that need will protect her wedding ring is to soak contribute materially to the hosit in dishwater three times a day." pitals' purpose of getting sick people well."

Mr. Rathbone expects holidays as the hunting activity moces south where he declares the "big bucks roam."

Hunters wishing the patients to receive the hides may simply adthey should be marked "For TB Patients."

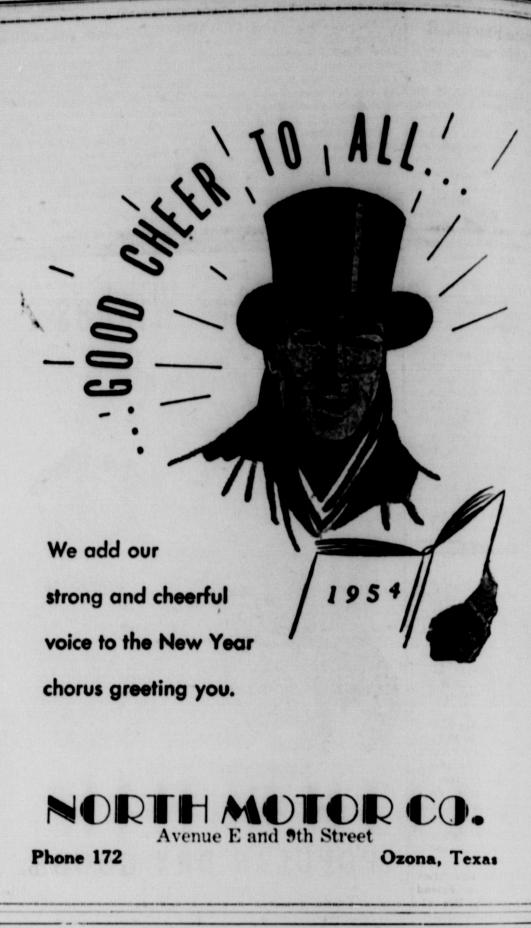
000-GLAMORENE, the Rug-Cleaning Miracle, on sate at Ratliff Hdw. & Furn. Co. Ozona, Texas.

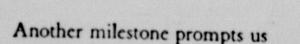
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Rosalie Friend, Bride-To-Be, Honored eries Of Parties In Christmas Season

Rosalie Frield, who will

5, was honored at a series because many college girls and son, Mrs. C. E. Davidson, III, Miss ies during the Christmas out-of-town young married cou- Tibba McMullan, Mrs. W. S. Wood,

and Mr.s. S. M. Harvick, un: and allos of the bride-to-be- chicken and all the trimmings was White, Mrs. V. I. Pierce, Mrs. Jeanette Trotter entertained Dec. children, Mr. and Mrs. served to Miss Friend, Mrs. Evart O. L. Richardson, Jr., Mrs. Bats 10 with a kitchen party for Miss Busby and Miss Friend by, Mrs. Jack Brewer, Mrs. Toby Mrs. Hillery Phillips, Jr., and W. E. Friend, Jr., Miss Carol of Dallas. T. Richardson with an open at the Harvick home Dec. Jr., Mrs. Chris Perner, Mrs. David

house was beautiffully depresented to the honored Hickman, June Perner, Kay Kir-

of this week, Mns. Sher-Miss Friend with a dishes. the Roy Parker home.

McMullan, Jr., Tommy Hardney Moughon of Gilmer, White, Jack Holt, Clyde of Long Beach, Calif., Ul-Eddie Bower of Dallas,

Friend, Jr. Carol Friend and Ann erved The honoree was ed with two china bread tter plates.

Jack Holt and daughter. entertained with a milk party on December 22 to Miss Friend. Christmas des were used throughout

at were Misses Kay Kirby, Perner, Tibba McMullan, te Trotter, and Carol Friend, Imes. Charles E. Davidson. m Perner, Chris Perner, Olhitley, Ulmer Busby, Jack er, James Chapman, David itzer, W .E. Friend, Jr. brass picture plate was pred to the honoree by the host-

Ollie Whitley and Miss White honored Miss Friend a luncheon Monday, Dec. 21, House of Flowers Tea Room.

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Perner, Mrs. Will Baggett, Mrs. Jr., Mrs. Frank McMullan, Mrs. Resauce Sam Perner, Mrs. Louise Murchiples were "home for Christmas". Mrs. Al Owen, Mrs. Dub Wallace, mer.

A delicious luncheon of fried Mrs. H. B .Tandy, Mrs. Evart Mrs. Jack Brewer, Jr., and Miss

Harvick, Mr. and Mrs. White, Mrs. Hilton North, Mrs. Friend, Mrs. Gene Williams, Mrs. Friend at the Will Baggett home. Christmas holiday guests Mrs. Wine barrel, silver cap. Lost in Harvick, Mr .and Mrs. W. E. Friend, Mrs. Frank Ashby, Frank McMullan, Jr., Mrs. W. D. A salad plate was served to the Holt's son Robert Hartgrove, Mrs. downtown area during pre-Christ-Busby and Mrs. and Mrs. Mrs. Sam Perner, Mrs. Ulmer Bus- Cooper, Mrs. Max Schneemann, Jr., honoree, Mrs. Wil Baggett, Mrs. Hartgrove and their son, Massie, mas shopping. Finder please call Busby and Miss Friend has Mrs. Line Port and W. E. Friend, Jr., Miss Carol of Dallas.

Mrs. S. M. Harvick, Mrs. Stephen Mrs. Richard Flowers. Mrs. Evart White was awarded Jack Holt, Mrs. C. E. Davidson, high score prize for bridge; Mrs. Max Schneemann, Jr., low score in bridge and Mrs. Sam Perner, high in canasta. The honoree was pre-

Lake, Mrs. Martin Harvick, Miss week in the Perner home are ansented an aluminum butter war- Tibba McMullan, Mrs. Hillery other son-in-low and daughter, Mr. Phillips, Jr., Miss Joan Holt and and Mrs. Son Wilson and daugh-Mrs. Sam Perner. -00

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Friend, Mrs. O. L. Richardson, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Paul Perner had Mrs. Dub Wallace, Miss Rosie Wal- as guests their son-in-law and ley, Mrs. C. E. Davidson,III, Mrs. daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Allen Robert Cox, Mns. Ben Lemmons, and children, Micheal and Johnny. Mrs. Johnnie McMullan of Big from Midland. Also visiting this ters, Joan and Ann, from Dallas. -000





Schweitzer, Mrs. James Chapman, and Mrs. Martin Harvick, and in the Christmas theme. Misses Carol Friend, Jeannette e prees for their new kit- Trotter, Pat Hickman, Marjorie

by and Joan Holt. The hostessses presented Miss nd Mrs. James Bag- Friend with two silver bon bon

A dessert-bridge at the Ozona were Misses June Perner, Country Club on Dec. 12 was givby Joan Holt, Marjorie en in Miss Friend's honor by Mrs. Carol Friend, and Ann Hudson Mayes and Mrs. Dick Henand Mmes. Sam Perner, West, Toby Carleton, Mc-S. M. Harvick, Troy Hick-S. M. Harvick, Troy Hick-James Dockery, Bill Melton, Maurice Lemmons, Miss Joan Holt,

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Conoco Completes Elkhorn Link Well

Continental Oil Co. 35-A J. M. Shannon ,link well one location north and south of production on the east side of the Elkhorn (El-lenburger) field of Crockett Coun-ty, has been finaled for a calcu-tion in the one-well Todd. North between 1,540-1,842 in the San Anlated daily flowing potential of 324 (San Andress) field of Crockett dres. Top of pay was picked at barrels of oil, gravity unreported. County, 1712 miles northwest of 1.838 feet on elevation of 2,146 no water.

The potential was based on an actual 18-hour flow of 243.5 bar- vation is 2,405 feet. 7.358-378 feet in 5½-inch casing cemented at 7.356 feet, the total depth .The Ellenburger was topped by samples at 7,145 feet, elevation unreported. Pay section was acidized with 1,500 gallons. Pressures and gas-oil ratio were unreported. Location is in 21-UV-GC&SF, 14

miles northwest of Ozona. -000-

WOMEN'S GOLF ASSN.

The Women's Golf Association will not have regular golf play Tuesday, Jan. 5, but will play on their alternate day, Thursday, Jan. 7. Golfers will tee off at 1:30 p. m.

NOTICE OF REWARD 1 am offering \$500 Reward

for apprehension and con-viction of guilty nation to every theft of livestock in Crockett County - except that no officer of Crockett County may claim the reward.

V. O. Earnest Sheriff, Crockett County



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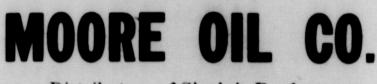
discovery was finaled Oct. 16 for The Texas Co. has filed applica-tion to drill its 1-A NTC-1 M. A. barrels of 30.1 gravity oil, no wa-

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VEAL ROAST Ib. 32		SALT PORK Lb. 350