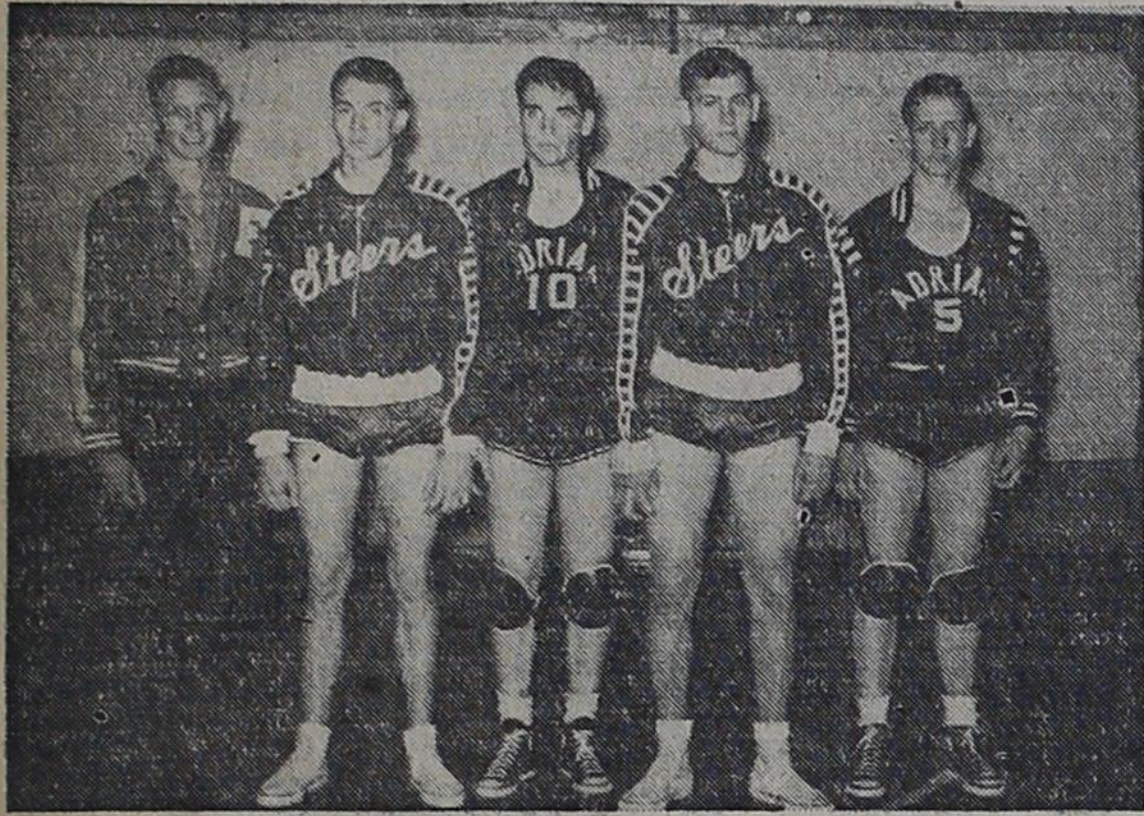




RATED TOPS in the girls' division of the Farwell tournament were the five girls pictured above, and one girl, Patsy Engram, of Texico, is missing from the all-star squad. Left to right, Grant of Ranchvale; Billy Christian of Farwell; Betty Foster of Farwell; Dorothy Moorman of Bovina; and Kay Malone of Muleshoe.



ALL STARS IN THE INVITATION TOURNAMENT held here over the weekend were the boys pictured above, with six being named to the team when a tied vote was recorded for Massey of Friona and Bobby Poteet of Farwell. Left to right, Massey of Friona; Poteet of Farwell; Brown of Adrian; Ford of Farwell; and Banks of Adrian. Harwell, of Vega, was chosen to the team, but was not on hand when the picture was taken.

Yuletide Season Programs Planned

Farwell Girls and Adrian Boys Winners

Attention to the coming holiday season is being given by students and teachers of the Texico and Farwell schools, as well as by local religious organizations, with a number of activities being planned over the Twin Cities.

The Farwell school groups are listing Christmas festivities for Thursday afternoon, prior to dismissal for the holidays, Supt. Jack Williams reported on Tuesday.

In the high school, one large party will be held by all students, with a gift exchange predominating in the affair. Individual room socials are planned by students in the grammar school, and Yuletide decorations are prevalent throughout the entire building.

Community Tree Slated
Santa Claus will visit the Texico school auditorium on Thursday evening, Supt. Agrie Jones reminded local youngsters today, when the annual community Christmas program will be held.

A beautifully bedecked tree will be arranged in the auditorium and a number of short Christmas songs are to be presented by the students, following which Santa will distribute gifts and treats to those attending. The program will begin at 7:30.

Both schools close out classes on Thursday, with work to be resumed on Monday, January 2nd.

Rev. O. O. Holladay said Tuesday that no plans for a special program had been made by the local Baptist congregation. The Lottie Moon mission offering, annually a Christmas feature of the church, was taken at the regular worship services the past Sunday.

Minister Sol Morgan could not be contacted this week, but members of the local Church of Christ said that, so far as they knew, no special observances had been planned.

Unified Program Slated
"Special one-hour services will be given Sunday morning," announces Rev. Murphy Duncan, pastor of the Texico-Farwell Methodist Church, today.

Rev. Duncan said that the special morning service was made in order that people who had visitors over the holidays might spend more time with them. The unified worship period will begin at 10 a. m., and church will be dismissed at 11. No Sunday school classes will meet, he concluded.

Stadium Fund Drive Ends Saturday At 4

Jack McManigal, chairman of the Farwell Stadium Fund, today announced that the drive for fund would end on Saturday, December 24, at 4 p. m.

The two registered Hereford yearlings to be given away in connection with the drive for funds will be awarded at that time, across the street from the Fox Drug Store.

Meanwhile, Chairman McManigal urged all workers to make a determined effort to bring in more money between now and the deadline hour. He said that present indications are that the drive will fall short of the stadium needs, and urged all interested parties to make their contributions before the closing hour.

Tax Payments Here Keep Usual Pace

Attaches at the Tax Collector's office said here today that payment of 1949 taxes were keeping "about the usual pace" in Parmer County as the year draws to a close.

Payments made during December will be entitled to a discount of 1 percent on state and county taxes, but there is no discount on school and municipal assessments. Most of the taxpayers who took advantage of the discounts made their payments during October, when the 3 percent discount was in effect, clerks at the collector's office said.

A total of only 617 poll tax receipts had been issued up to noon Tuesday, which represents about one-third of the voters of the county. Voters were again warned to keep their poll tax payments in mind. 1950 promises to be an important election year . . . and you can't vote unless you have paid your poll tax.

Mrs. Bess Henneman, formerly of this city, was here from Friona Saturday visiting friends and attending the local basketball tournament.

Sherley Grain Co. Is Building New Elevator

Construction work on a new and entirely separate grain elevator from the present large plant of the Sherley Grain Company at Bovina, is making good progress, G. D. Anderson, Jr., manager of the firm, announced last Saturday.

Anderson said that Chalmers & Borton of Hutchinson, Kan., had the contract for the erection of the new plant, which will rise just east of their present holdings. The new plant will consist of six round concrete tanks with a capacity of 300,000 bushels, boosting the total capacity of this firm to 1,650,000 bushels, one of the largest in West Texas.

In announcing the new job, Anderson said that it would be complete and separate from the present structure, although all bins will be tied together with overhead chutes for handling the grain over both plants. He said that machinery in the recently-completed elevator could not be extended to the plant now under construction, giving this as the reason for the entirely new plant.

Ground work and other preliminary preparations are being worked out now, with the steel and concrete work to begin later after danger of freezing is past. "We are in no hurry," Anderson said, adding that the new job would be completed in advance of wheat harvest next summer.

Agreement Reached On One Highway Easement

After spending the entire day in the field in an effort to reach an agreement with land owners on right-of-way easements, the Parmer County Commissioners Court reported late Tuesday that only one settlement was reached.

County Clerk Loyde Brewer said that a settlement was agreed upon with Ernest Wright along FM Highway 299, but no agreement was reached with Matt Jesko and V. W. Rannels, along the same route.

Condemnation proceedings were begun some time ago against G. O. White for an easement along FM No. 690, and the hearing is set for Thursday of this week.

Brewer said that the Commissioners were meeting Thursday of this week in lieu of the regular meeting scheduled for December 26.

Car Stolen Here Is Found In Amarillo

A 1939 Chevrolet, belonging to Buck Bradshaw of this city, was recovered in Amarillo, Saturday morning after it had been stolen from the streets in Farwell a few hours before.

Bradshaw left the car in front of the Border Theatre while he and his family attended the show, being careful to lock the ignition and remove the key. When they came out of the theatre, the car was missing.

When the auto was found in Amarillo, it had been only slightly damaged, but the thief had taken care to lock all doors before abandoning it. No arrests had been made up to noon Tuesday.

Officers said that the thief wired around the ignition switch to get the machine started.

Marketing Quotas Are Approved Thursday

Cotton marketing quotas were approved by the nation's farmers the past Thursday, when a national referendum was conducted. Over the country, the voting favored the quotas by approximately 80 percent, it is understood here.

At the local PMA office, officials said that Parmer County had almost 100 percent turnout in the voting, with the county farmers favoring the quotas by some 90 percent.

All counties of this area approved the measure except Roosevelt, to the south in New Mexico, it is reported.

REACHING OUT

Ben Smart, of the Furniture Mart, reported the sale of furnishings for a six-room house at Las Alamos, N. M., some 300 miles northwest of here the latter part of last week. The furnishings were picked up at the local store and transported in an auto trailer.

Heart Attack Is Fatal To Eugene Fletcher

A sudden and unexpected heart attack claimed the life of Eugene Fletcher, 79, long-time resident of this city, at his home in southeast Farwell, Monday night.

Although in failing health the past few years, Mr. Fletcher's condition had not been considered of a serious nature, and up to the time of his passing he continued his usual activities. He walked to the home of his brothers, Homer and Pole, a half-mile distant, Monday afternoon, returning shortly before sundown.

Mrs. Fletcher said that he was seized with the attack shortly after dark and continued to become worse until his death shortly after midnight.

Stricken with measles when he was a mere lad, Fletcher suffered almost complete loss of his vision, and this handicap continued all his life. While a youngster, he entered the school for the blind at Austin, where he was taught the trade of a broom maker, and he followed that as a means of livelihood until a few years ago, when he was forced to give it up because of declining health. He was converted and united with the church at the age of 16.

Funeral services are being conducted at 2 p. m. this (Wednesday) afternoon at the Church of Christ by Minister Sol Morgan, assisted by Rev. Murphy Duncan of the local Methodist Church. Burial will take place in the Oklahoma Lane cemetery under the direction of the Steed Funeral Home of Clovis.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Delia Fletcher; two daughters, Mrs. Neva Francis of Mountair, N. M.; Mrs. Vida Wyatt, Abilene; two brothers, Homer and Pole Fletcher, of Farwell. Eleven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren also survive.

Farwell Men Injured When Car Overturns

Two Farwell men, were injured, one of them quite seriously, early last Thursday morning, when the car in which they were riding left the pavement and overturned about four miles west of Clovis on Highway 60.

Neil Hendrickson, 31 years of age, who farms northeast of here, escaped with a broken leg and lesser injuries, while Charley Hurst, 27, sustained head injuries and is still in a Clovis hospital, where his condition is described as "only fair".

Friends reported Tuesday that Hurst may be dismissed from the hospital before the end of the present week, but it will likely be several weeks before he will recover from the brain concussion he sustained. He is reported to be semi-rational five days after the accident.

With Hendrickson at the wheel, the two young men are reported to have been traveling at a moderate rate of speed when the car went into a sharp drag dip on the highway and the driver lost control of the 1941 Ford machine. The accident occurred shortly after midnight, New Mexico time.

Hurst, who has lived at Yakima, Wash., the past several years, formerly resided here, and returned here early last fall. He has been working with thresher crews since returning. Hendrickson's right leg was broken between the hip and the knee, and he is reported to be showing satisfactory progress at the hospital, where he remains confined.

Latest Figures Are Released On Loans

FROM THE HOPPER

By HOP

Well, Publisher Skarda of the Clovis Chronicle finally made a feeble attempt to defend his "Statement of Policy" in his issue of Dec. 15. Without mentioning any names, he accused us of placing a misinterpretation on his original "Statement of Policy." In reply, all we have to say is that we simply quoted his own words when he said, "the people of the greater Clovis trade area must come to Clovis" to do their trading. We didn't suppose that he had any objection to being quoted in his blunderbust "Statement of Policy" when he made the declaration that the Chronicle would not accept advertising from merchants outside of Clovis. As publisher, Mr. Skarda has a perfect right to decline advertising from anybody he chooses, but we would just like for him to explain why his advertising solicitors have repeatedly solicited advertising from Texico-Farwell merchants up until the time of his "Statement of Policy?" Furthermore, in case Mr. Skarda has overlooked it, we would like to point out that one of the biggest paid advertisers in the very same issue that contained his "Statement of Policy" was from a firm up beyond Amarillo. According to the best information available, the people of the Texico-Farwell area spend an aggregate of \$5000 (yes, five thousand dollars) a day with Clovis merchants, and we are not surprised at Publisher Skarda wanting that practice to continue or even increase. But when he tells us in a bold-face front page editorial we "must come to Clovis," he is stressing his loyalty to his home town merchants a bit too far. If Publisher Skarda hasn't learned it

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Latest figures released on loans through the local Production Marketing Association office, in Farwell, reveal that farmers of Parmer County have received approvals for loans totaling \$6,231,362.89 on their 1949 wheat, barley and grain sorghum crops.

The figures include both farm and warehouse stored grain, put under the Commodity Credit Corporation loans, attaches at the office reported, with some 156 applications yet to be serviced at the time the figures were run, last weekend. Deadline on making application for stored grain is January 31, 1950.

In the group, warehouse stored wheat tops the list, with 1148 loans being approved on some 1,904,942.54 bushels of grain, bringing their owners a total of \$3,774,212.41 on loans, the figures show.

Warehouse stored grain sorghums are next in line, the 1467 loans approved being applicable on 76,186,626 bushels of grain and totaling \$2,207,051.23.

Farm-stored grain, on which 13 applications have been approved, will draw \$32,362.25 on loan, while the 36 approvals on farm-stored wheat bring in \$189,296.98.

Very few applications have been made for barley loans, the PMA office staff reported, with 43 being approved for elevator storage and 6 okayed for farm storage. The elevator loans total \$24,409.67, the farm loan figure stands at \$4,030.35.

AWARDED HOME FREEZER

Harold Carpenter, who farms northwest of this city, was awarded the Kelvinator home freezer, given away last Saturday by the Legion Auxiliary. Sponsors of the event said that the Auxiliary netted "about \$600" in its drive for funds to provide furnishings for the local Legion Hall and expressed their appreciation to the public for its cooperation.

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Health Note

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AUSTIN—By this time you're aware that heater weather has definitely hit Texas.

State Officer Geo. W. Cox, commenting on the above-mentioned fact said today there is no doubt that carbon monoxide—associated with gas heaters—is one of the most lethal and least publicized of all the poisonous gases.

Carbon monoxide, the doctor explained, is formed when there is not enough oxygen mixed with burning gas, or when the design or operation of gas burning equipment is faulty. "With a toxicity comparable to the gases used in warfare, not enough attention is paid to the deadly effect of prolonged exposure to carbon monoxide," the veteran health officer said. He indicated that carbon monoxide claims more than its fair share of accidental deaths in Texas, but for some inexplicable reason it is not held in the same perspective as other accidents.

Dr. Cox believes this "killer is due an explanation," and makes the following recommendations for users of gas heaters

- (1) Make sure the heater is properly adjusted, by a gas serviceman if possible.
- (2) Use metal tubing for connecting the stove to the gas line, and check for leaks before the stove is used.
- (3) Always ventilate a room where a heater is burning. Even if no carbon monoxide is being formed oxygen is being consumed.
- (4) Never operate a stove at its highest burning rate.
- (5) Do not use propane or butane gas in a heater designed for natural gas.
- (6) Never let the stove burn all night. When other people using the same fuel line turn their stoves off, the line pressure will increase, and the flame of the burning stove will increase to the point where carbon monoxide may be produced.

Carbon monoxide expelled by an automobile exhaust is a big health

hazard in winter, too, Cox warned. Many motorists have wrecked their cars and been listed as a highway death, when carbon monoxide was really the killing agent.

Save Those Leaves, Don't Burn Them

COLLEGE STATION—Every fall, tons of leaves go up in smoke instead of being saved for later use in the vegetable garden, flower beds, or for mulches on trees and shrubs. Burning is an easy but wasteful way to tidy up the home premises of fallen leaves, but it is not the best, says Sadie Hatfield, extension specialist in landscape gardening, of Texas A. & M. College.

She says it takes little trouble or space to make a compost pile and when the leaves decay into humus or leaf mold, you not only have organic matter that has fertilizing value but, more important, it adds to the water-holding capacity of the soil and makes it easier to work.

Making a compost pile may seem complicated to the amateur but it can be simple. A stack of leaves held down by boards or a layer of soil will decay in two or three years but this can be hastened by turning the pile over occasionally with the spading fork, and keeping it moist. She says leaves and similar grass and garden trash will decay even faster if the pile is made of alternate layers of leaves and rich soil. It is a good idea to mix in some nitrogen fertilizer or manure if available, she adds. Wood ashes from the fireplace may be mixed with the leaves. Use about a pound of ashes for every 20 to 25 pounds of leaves.

Leaves make a good fall mulch for the bulb beds and trees or shrubs. Apply the leaves before the ground is frozen as a protection against heavy freezing and against starting of growth during warm spells in winter.

Ever thought of serving beef and pumpkin together? An unsweetened pumpkin custard with cubed leftover meat makes a delicious main-dish pudding.

Forecast For Rural Family Living in '50

COLLEGE STATION—Over-all family living expenditures are not expected to drop as fast or as much as the over-all farm income. That is what the experts see in the crystal ball for 1950. Food supplies in general are a little larger than a year ago and food consumption per capita is expected to remain near the 1949 level or may go even higher, according to Mrs. Florence Low, extension home management specialist of Texas A. & M. College.

Consumer purchases of food should be encouraged by the plentiful and varied supply and by the lower retail prices that now appear likely for the year. The prices received by the farmer for the food products are expected to decline more than the prices the consumer will have to pay.

Mrs. Low reports that prices paid by farmers for clothing declined 7 percent from the postwar high of September 1948 to June 1949. Further drops in clothing prices seem to hinge on what may happen to the general economic situation, she says. The retail supplies of clothing should be generally good during 1950, however, should the downward trend in prices continue, retailers, wholesalers and manufacturers may continue their cautious buying and this in turn may cause temporary shortages to develop from time to time.

The demand for clothing remained at a high level during most of 1949 and indications are good for this to continue, especially if incomes continue to be high. Declines will probably be noticed first in the so-called "style" articles of clothing, says Mrs. Low.

Supplies of household equipment and furnishings should be adequate. There is a slow but certain movement from a seller's to a buyer's market for many of the durable goods and families are now able to purchase many items at prices somewhat lower than for last year. Standard models are being bought in many lines of household equipment in

preference to the deluxe models because primarily of the difference in prices, says Mrs. Low. The consumer demand, she thinks, will determine the available supply of most household equipment.

VETERAN'S QUESTION BOX

Q. What happens to the dividend of a National Service Life Insurance policy where the insured has been adjudged incompetent?

A. The NSLI dividend will be paid to the veteran's legal representative.

Q. My husband has been attending school under the GI Bill. What happens if his marks are low and his progress is unsatisfactory?

A. He may receive the assistance of VA's educational and guidance service in an endeavor to correct those factors which may be contributing to his deficiency. But he is obliged to meet the requirements of the school if he wishes to continue his course there.

Q. My husband, an honorably discharged World War II veteran, has been suffering from a slight ailment which may become serious. If he should need hospitalization, how long will he have to wait before he is admitted?

A. Ordinarily, if his disability is service-connected, he will not have to wait to receive hospitalization. If he has a nonservice-connected ailment and he is an emergency case he is admitted immediately, provided he is eligible for hospitalization. But if he has a nonservice-connected ailment that is not emergent, he must wait until a bed is available.

Q. I am a World War II veteran with a service-connected disability. Is there any deadline in connection with my entitlement to NSLI?

A. If your disability was incurred in service between October 8, 1940 and September 2, 1945 and is less than total in degree, it will be disregarded in determining eligibility under the health requirements for NSLI purposes, provided you apply prior to January 1, 1950.

SANTA FE CARLOADINGS

Santa Fe System carloadings for week ending December 17, were 22,822 compared with 25,137 for same week in 1948. Cars received from connections totaled 9,371 compared with 11,364 for same week in 1948. Total cars moved were 32,193 compared with 36,501 for same week in 1948. Santa Fe handled a total of 34,354 cars in preceding week this year.

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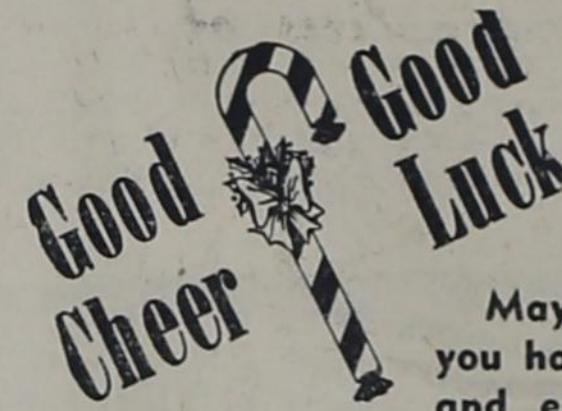
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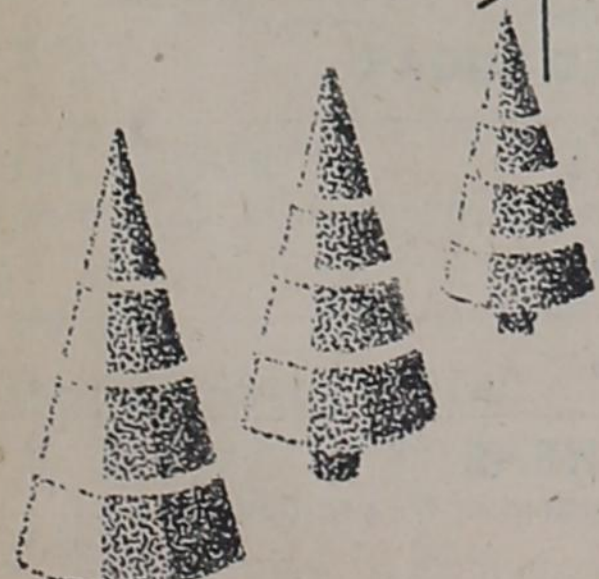


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HERALD ANGELS . . . Rehearsing for the annual Christmas candlelight service, the children choristers of the Crawford Methodist Memorial church in the Bronx, New York, make an impressive picture when viewed through a Christmas wreath in the foreground.

Romans Began Custom Of Gifts at New Year

Some authorities claim that the invading Roman legions introduced the custom of gift-giving at New Year's time into England by 'commandeering,' a la Caesar, gifts and sums of money from the populace.

Medieval royalty, who were not as wealthy as they were reported to be, revived the custom as a means of replenishing the royal wardrobes, treasures and even larders. Queen Elizabeth relied on the custom for new petticoats, mantles, silk stockings, bracelets, necklaces, precious jewels, etc. Peers, bishops, clerics, ladies-in-waiting, physicians, cooks, everybody contributed.

Oliver Cromwell's Puritan government outlawed the custom, but it was re-revived when the Stuarts were restored to the throne. Individual circumstances governed the gift-giving among ordinary citizens and, since common pins were expensive in those days, middle class gentlemen usually gave their wives and daughters pins or 'pin money.'

Idiomatically, 'pin money' has survived the days of the expensive pin, while the custom of gift-giving at New Year's time has deteriorated into obscurity in England and the United States.

On Christmas

While the litter from Christmas packages is still about, be particularly careful of smoking. Hot ashes dropped on tissue paper or carelessly-tossed match could result in tragedy.

December 25 was decreed as the date of Christ's nativity by the Roman emperor Julian who began his reign as a Christian, but reverted to paganism before his death.

The practice of placing burning candles in the windows on Christmas eve is tied up with an Irish custom which holds the thought of the Christ child alone in the dark, needing light for his way.

When buying toys for children remember that those of the constructive types are best—they develop the youngsters' ingenuity.

The first Christmas card was designed in 1845.

Poinsettias which have come to be a "must" for Christmas decorations owe their name and popularity to an early American diplomat, botanist and scholar—Joel Roberts Poinsett.



GLOBAL OUTLOOK . . . When you stop to think of it, the first day of 1950 probably is a good time to climb up on top of the world and take a look around. It might do a lot of good if enough people, including grown-ups, gave it a serious try.

Such Lovely
FLAMES

By John Scott Douglas

FRED DOBSON plugged in the string of lights and then stood back to admire the blue and red and green candle globes on the Christmas tree. Ellen left the table she was setting to study the effect. "Nice little tree, Fred. Seems a shame, though, not to be sharing it with someone. This was our year—"

And then she stopped, and her face, still pretty in middle age, grew pink. Fred knew she'd been about to say that it was their year to have the Robbins to Christmas dinner. Every year since their children had married and left they had either entertained their neighbors or had been their guests.

But now, by mutual consent, the quarrel with the Robbins was not mentioned. It was characteristic of Ellen not to blame Fred. And that took forbearance because Martha Robbins had been her dearest friend.

Ellen sighed. "Goodness! the turkey must be almost ready."



He was back in a moment with a rake. Lifting the smoldering tree with the tines, he hurled it out onto the snowy lawn.

Fred thought of their quarrel, which had started because of a cocker puppy which wouldn't stay home. Tom, with his usual consideration for his neighbors, had started to build a fence to keep the dog out of the Dobson's garden. Fred thought the fence was a foot within his own property line, and jokingly said so.

Tom had laughed. "Who's paying for it?"

"I'll pay half," Fred had said, "if you'll buy the strip you're using." The joke, within a matter of days, had taken on an edge, and then they gave up speaking. No longer did they fish and hunt together, or play in their usual Saturday four-somes.

By then, beginning to fume at Tom's high-handedness, Fred had his property surveyed, only to discover that his garden had in reality extended onto his neighbor's property. The fence was where it belonged.

Fred wanted to apologize, but every time he stepped outside, Tom walked into the house.

Within a matter of seconds, Fred was too busy to think of the quarrel. The little Christmas tree was on fire and crackling fiercely. He flung open the door and screamed, "Fire! help! help!" And then, snatching up the hall runner he'd been planning to replace, he knocked over the tree and began beating out the flames.

Behind him Tom called, "Stay with it, pal—I'll get something."

He was back in a moment with a rake. Lifting the smoldering tree with the tines, he hurled it out onto the snowy lawn.

Martha Robbins had appeared by then. Seeing Ellen staring dazedly at the cloud of smoke and the blackened wall where the tree had stood, she opened the windows and then slipped her arm around Ellen's shoulders.

"Poor dear! And just when you were sitting down to your Christmas dinner. After the smoke has thinned out, this room will be freezing. You and Fred are having dinner with us."

Ellen looked happy but flustered. "But this was our year—" "Nonsense!" Tom said heartily. "We'll eat with you next year." "That will be swell," Fred said, beaming.

When they started Martha Robbins' bountiful dinner, there was at first a little stiffness. But Tom was soon joking about Fred's "high forehead," and Fred was asking Tom if he'd considered selling his hair to a wire-brush factory.

As they said hearty farewells later, Tom remarked, "Can't say I'm sorry about that fire. We've sure missed you folks."

"And it was all my fault," Fred said. "I was wrong about—" "Aw, forget it," Tom interrupted. "How about some golf Saturday?" When they reached home, Fred looked at the blackened wall speculatively. "No real damage done, Ellen. A coat of paint will fix it up."

"How do you suppose the tree ever caught fire?" Ellen asked. Fred grinned sheepishly. "A match and a bunch of tissue paper may have helped."

Texas Leads All Other States In Correcting Vision of Children

Texas is one of the few states in the United States which corrects the vision problems of its school children.

Dr. Darrell B. Harmon, director of the Division of Educational Services of the state department of health, has conducted an outstanding state-wide survey of visual problems of Texas school children, writes Albert Q. Maisel in the January Woman's Home Companion.

There are thousands of children in schools in America who have been labeled "dull" only because they cannot see properly. There are few states which have given thorough and effective tests to their children to test their eyesight. Texas is one of these, says Mr. Maisel.

"The failure to adopt reasonable vision-testing practices," writes Maisel, "in most schools is part of the large failure to provide decent visual environment. School superintendents and school boards are a generation behind the present level of scientific knowledge about school construction, school lighting, classroom painting and desk arrangement."

Homecoming Basketball Game Slated, Feb. 22

FORT WORTH—Texas Wesleyan College's annual homecoming basketball game will be played February 22 when the TWC Rams meet an Abilene Christian College five on the Will Rogers Memorial Coliseum court in Fort Worth.

Members of the Ex-Students and Alumni Association will gather at 5:30 p. m. at the College's new Student Union Building for an open house and will go in a body to the game at 8 p. m.

The organization's executive committee will meet at 4:30 p. m. for a planning meeting for the spring Homecoming and May Fete ceremonies which are scheduled for May 27.

FRUIT EN ROLL

To make a wonderful dessert, roll out your favorite biscuit dough and spread it with a thick fruit sauce—rhubarb, strawberry, peach, etc. Then roll it up jelly roll style and cut into two-inch slices and bake. The clever dessert slices can be topped with more of the fruit sauce or with sweetened whipped cream.

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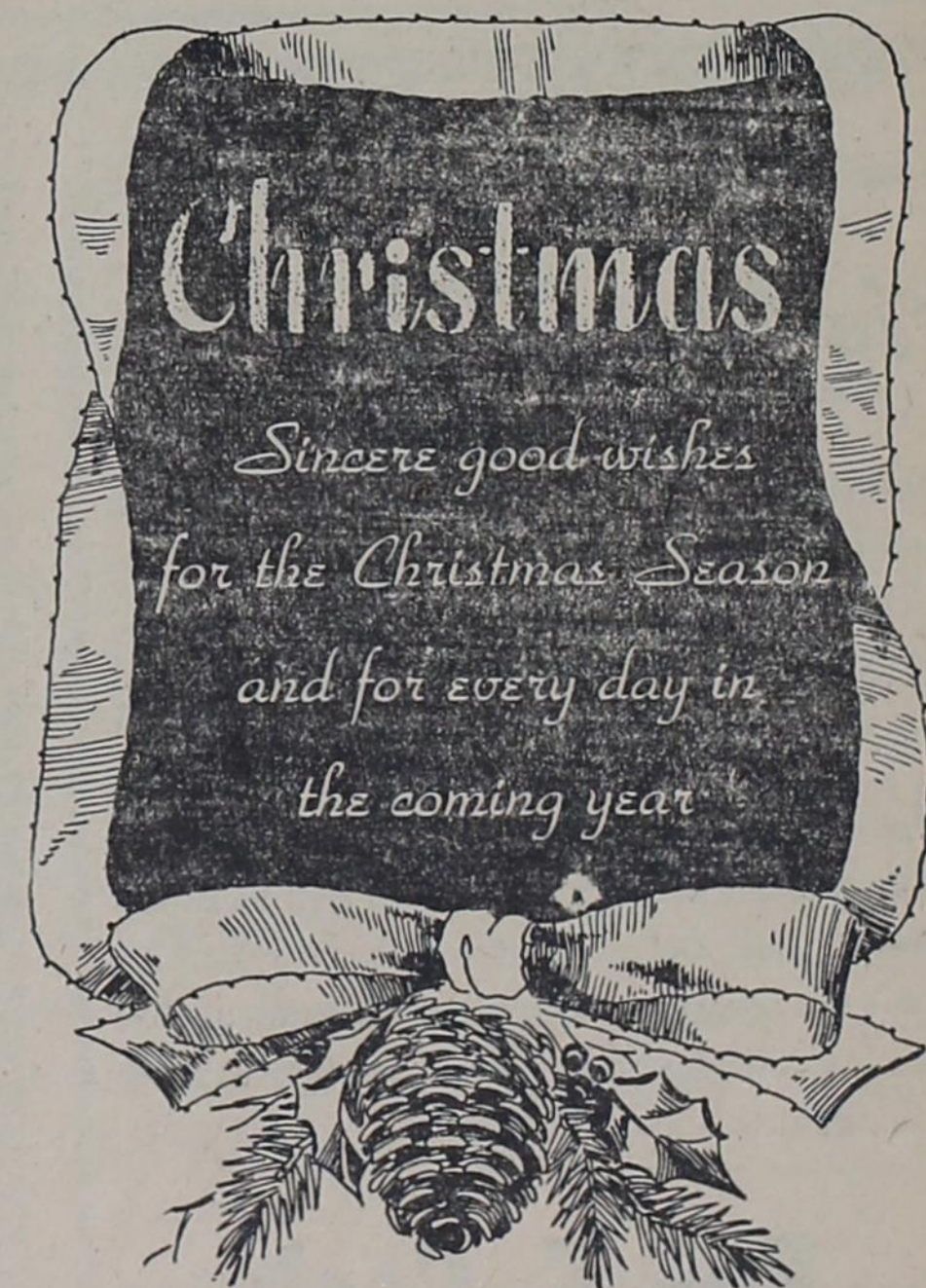
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FOR SALE—Bargains in second-hand watches, excellent Christmas gifts. Lee Nichols, at Hardage Hudson Co., Farwell. 9-2tp

FOR SALE—1949 Ford tractor in excellent shape. J. C. Henderson, 5 miles east and one south of Farwell. 9-3tp

FOR SALE—Good apartment house on two lots in Floydada, Tex. This property is bringing in about \$225 per month. Price, \$11,000. Can be handled at a reasonable cash payment, and good terms. This is a good investment for someone that wants a good income. See Lucy Crume, Florida, Texas. 9-3tp

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FOR RENT—2-room furnished apartment, upstairs, modern. See H. H. Henson, Texico. 10-1tp

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PORK SAUSAGE—Fresh, country made, 40c per pound in sticks. Les Means Lockers, Texico. 10-1tp

CARD OF THANKS

To all the patrons who were so cooperative in offering lodging for the visiting basketball players, to the officials, and to the public in general for its generous patronage of our cage tournament, we take this means of publicly expressing our appreciation.

Supt. Jack Williams,
Prin. W. M. Roberts.

Mrs. Kirt Crume and son, Van, of Hereford, visited friends and relatives in Farwell the past Friday.

Les Means and Johnnie Lewis spent the past Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Green in San Jon.

The next time you're making a cold meat salad and want a glamour touch, add crushed pineapple, pineapple chunks or Bing cherries.



Merry Christmas

May we come in a moment to express our customary YULETIDE GREETINGS and to thank you for your fine friendships and the business relationships that have resulted from them.

**H. C. JACKSON
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BOVINA, TEXAS**

Lt. Petree Finishes Special Training

Lt. H. W. Petree, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Petree of Farwell, was among the graduates of the Air Tactical School class at Tyndall Air Force Base, when the class graduated Sunday, December 18th.

For the past 16 weeks air force officers and others selected for the training have taken an intensive course in subjects of vital importance to officers in responsible positions, under the direction of Brig. Gen. J. K. Leary, Commandant. The rigid academic course has found the officers hearing lectures on military management, operations, operational services, new developments, tactics, supply and maintenance, coupled with frequent round-table discussions of problems.

Upon completion of this course student officers return to their home bases to put into operation the theories they have learned.

POW's May Make Claims for Payment

Any Texan who was a prisoner of war during World War II, and who has yet not made application under the War Claims Act of 1948 to receive payment of \$1 per day for time interred, is urged to write the Adjutant General, State Capitol, Austin, by January 1, for application forms.

Loyde Brewer, county service officer, said today that no forms for this purpose would be available in the county, and former POW's will have to make their initial request through Austin. Application forms will be furnished only to individuals who are qualified to receive the payment, which is made from captured assets of World War II enemy countries.

Four groups are covered, Brewer explained. The categories include military, civilian internees, survivors of civilian internees, and religious organization representatives.

HOME FROM DEALERS MEET

M. C. Roberts returned home last Friday from New Orleans, La., where he attended a meeting of the Southern Grain Dealers Association. Mrs. Roberts, who accompanied him, stopped off in Greenville, Texas, on their return to visit with her father, who has been quite ill for some time. She arrived here the first of the week.

TO OPEN BUSINESS

Frank and Silas Jones have purchased the old Sellman blacksmith shop property and an adjoining building belonging to Lewis Pierce, and stated the first of the week that they planned to open a garage and wrecking yard in the location around the first of the year. The premises are being made ready for their new business at this time.

TO WISH YOU

CHRISTMAS HAPPINESS

Border And Mustang Offer Free Shows

Scotty Levins today announced free shows at the Border Theatre in Farwell and the Mustang Theatre in Bovina this weekend. The shows will be the annual Christmas gift to everyone wishing to attend, he said.

The open house at the Border will begin at 2 p. m. Friday, December 23, to be followed by a free exhibition at the Mustang the following day, beginning at 10 a. m.

GOES TO DALLAS

R. L. (Pee Wee) Stewart, who has been a member of Ed Hardage's string band here since last August, leaves this week for Dallas, where he will go on a coast-to-coast network. Stewart also has a contract with Columbia for making records, it was stated here. Stewart styles himself as a fiddler.

NEW PILL ROLLER

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Truitt, of Bovina, announce the arrival of a baby boy, Larry Frank, at the Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona on December 17, weighing an even 7 pounds. The little man's father operate the Bovina Drug Store.

SUFFERS SLIGHT STROKE

Mrs. O. B. Pipkin suffered a slight stroke on Saturday of the past week. Family members said the stroke was believed to have been induced by high blood pressure, from which she has suffered the past several months.

EMPLOYEES GET BONUS

Employees of the Henderson Grain & Seed Co. were pleasantly surprised the first of the week when their boss, C. M. Henderson, issued Christmas bonus checks to the group totaling \$1145.00.

STORE BURNED

The Summerfield general store, operated by E. B. Lookingbill, was totally destroyed by fire Tuesday, according to meager reports reaching here.

WORK STOPPED

Construction work on the new grain elevator at the Roberts Seed Company, which has been making slow progress the past few weeks, due to cold weather, has been suspended entirely until warmer weather, it was learned Wednesday morning.

EZELL IMPROVING

Very little information has been received here regarding the condition of County Treasurer Roy B. Ezell, who is receiving treatment at St. Anthony's Hospital in Lubbock. A report received Tuesday was to the effect that Ezell was showing some improvement.

Here From Midland

Mr. and Mrs. Dogie Rutherford of Midland, Texas, arrived here Tuesday to be at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. G. W. Dyer, who has been ill for several days. They plan to spend the holidays here before returning to their home.

CARD OF THANKS

To My Friends

I would like to thank every one of you for your many acts of kindness and help during my illness.

Mrs. F. J. Park.

Here From Tulsa

Mr. and Mrs. John Branson and family arrived here during the weekend from their home in Tulsa for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Henderson. They will go on to Pampa the middle of the week to spend Christmas with Mr. Branson's parents before returning to their home.

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Lewis, of Texico, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Betty, to Joe Winegeart, of Texico. The nuptials are planned to take place immediately following the close of school next spring.

To Visit In Tennessee

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Henderson plan to leave here the latter part of the week for Sewanee, Tenn., where they will spend the Christmas holidays with their son, Cliff Henderson, and family. They expect to return here around the last of the year.

Returns To Home

Mrs. John Porter returned home last Friday from points in California, where she had been visiting friends for the past few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Askins, of Tucumcari, visited Monday afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Graham in Farwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Drace and children, of Abernathy, spent the weekend here as guests of Mrs. H. Ross, and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Dykes, of Clovis, and recently of Texico, visited in Sudan, Sunday.

Local Girls Participate In Christmas Parties

PORTALES—Eastern New Mexico University women living in the dormitories will have Christmas parties Wednesday evening. Women in the North Hall, to replace the usual gift exchange, have each purchased a gift for children at the Baptist Home here in Portales. Students in the Annex have "adopted" three needy Portales families and will present each with a Christmas dinner and toys for the children of the family.

Students in charge of the North Hall party are Mary Harding, Texico; Sidney (Glenn) Morton, Texico; Elizabeth Peters, Roswell; and Caroline Carr, Hobbs.

The Annex students chose Miriam Chesser, San Angelo, Texas; Grace McDaniel, Texico; and Lora Nell Smith, Monument; to head the three groups to provide the baskets and toys for the three needy families.

In Smart Home

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Sanderson and girls, of Portales; Miss Mary Lou Hatcher of Texico; and Leroy Cheever of Clovis; were Sunday dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bob Smart.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Thompson and family left Sunday for points in Ohio, where they will visit relatives and friends during the Christmas season.

BORDER

THURSDAY-FRIDAY

THE GREAT SINNER

Also NEWSREEL

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IMPACT

SUNDAY-MONDAY

THE GAL WHO TOOK THE WEST

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY

Sing, Neighbor, Sing



To The Public . .

This is to advise my clientele in Texico-Farwell and community that I have completed arrangements with H. H. DeLozier, public accountant, of Clovis, to have supervision of my office during the income tax return season.

Mrs. J. D. Thomas and H. R. Starling will be in charge of the office, and all work will be supervised by Mr. DeLozier. If we handled your income tax report last year, your file is in our care and we will appreciate an opportunity to serve you again this year.

Roy E. Cook

MINCEMEAT Marco, large package.....	17c
PEACHES Red & White, No. 2 1/2 can, in heavy syrup.....	28c
RAISINS Thompson Seedless, 15-oz. package.....	18c
PINK SALMON Brimfull, tall can.....	49c
TUNA Brimfull, light meat, per can.....	38c
SHRIMP Blue Plate, per can.....	49c
OYSTERS Brimfull, fancy, per can.....	43c
BRAZIL NUTS Large, washed, per pound.....	39c
ALMONDS Per pound.....	35c

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FLORIDA TANGERINES Per pound.....	14c
CHRISTMAS CANDY Per pound.....	24c
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APPLES Delicious or Winesap, per pound.....	11c
SUGAR Cane, 10 pounds.....	98c
POWDERED SUGAR 2 pounds.....	25c
POTATOES Red or White, 10 pounds.....	39c
PUMPKIN No. 2 1/2 size can.....	19c
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DRESSED HENS Leave your orders now, per pound.....	40c

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Texico, New Mexico

Local Happenings

College Students Come In For Yule Holidays

Beginning last weekend, a number of local college students are making their appearance on local streets, coming in home to spend the Yuletide season with their parents and friends.

The largest group, from Eastern New Mexico University, arrived home the past Friday, and will be here through January 1st. Included are Peggy and Jean Rogers, Charles Felts, Mary Ruth Petree, Sonny Graham, Nathan Harding, Beryl Brown, Mary Harding, Norma Lee Sanders, Grace McDaniel, Monty and Gervane Jones.

From Texas Tech, visitors over the Christmas holiday season will include Joan Williams, and Jim Bob Roop, and Mr. and Mrs. Warren G. Harding will probably be in for a visit. Harding is employed in the registrar's office at Tech.

Paul Young, of Wayland College, will be in from Plainview to visit in the Oklahoma Lane community, while Toby Booth, A. C. Henneman, and Mr. and Mrs. Jess Herbert Pipkin, students at West Texas State in Canyon, are arriving for a visit here. Mary and Phillis Mendoza, students at a Commercial College in Albuquerque, N. M., arrived here the first of this week, and Howard (Muggins) Graham is expected to arrive here Wednesday from McMurry College in Abilene.

JeDon Porter, student at NMMI in Roswell, arrived home the past weekend.

Rosamond Booth, student at North Texas State College, has also arrived for the holidays.

Yuletide Party Held In J. D. Lewis Home

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie D. Lewis, was the scene of a Christmas party, Saturday night, December 17th. The home was decorated with the Yuletide motif throughout.

Those enjoying the fete were Mr. and Mrs. Les Means, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Houghtling, Mr. and Mrs. Curley Hendricks, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Dyer, Pete Haynes, and the host and hostess.

Here From Missouri

Ernest Lokey, student at Wentworth Academy in Lexington, Missouri, arrived here the past week to spend the Yuletide holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Lokey.

Floyd Church Host To MYF District Meet

The Methodist Church in Floyd, N. M., acted as host church to the regular monthly meeting of the Clovis Sub-District of the Methodist Youth Fellowship on Sunday, December 18th.

The host church presented the program of the evening, using as their theme the origin of "Silent Night". Several appropriate musical selections were given during the program.

At the close of an enjoyable evening, refreshments were served to approximately 250 guests in the Community House.

Attending from the Texico-Farwell Methodist Church were Rev. Murphy Duncan and son, George; Jerry and Rex Pool, T. W. and Delbert Parton; and Bencul Bandy.

The next meeting is scheduled to be held at the Methodist Church in Portales on Sunday, January 15th.

Most Farwell Teachers Spend Holidays Here

Nine out of fifteen teachers of Farwell schools will remain here for their Christmas vacation, according to Jack Williams, superintendent. Included in the group remaining in Farwell are Supt. Williams, Mrs. O. M. Prescott, Mrs. Earl Booth; Mrs. Dorothy Jacks, Mrs. Lloyd Cain, Mrs. Lenton Pool, Mrs. Harry Whitley, Miss Wilma Snider, and R. L. Morton.

The remaining six instructors who will leave for their vacation are W. M. Roberts, who will visit Bellview and Anson, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Jobs, visiting Sylverton, Junction, and Harper, Texas; Mrs. C. E. Sanders, visiting Clovis; Louis Purvis, Sweetwater and Cross Plains, Texas; and Mrs. John Lovelace, Abernathy.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hensley plan to visit Cranfill's Gap, Lampassa, and Burnet, Texas.

Dallas Visitors Here In Booth Home

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Booth in Farwell over the holidays are their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Dunlap and son, Sam, Jr. Booth said the Dallas party intended to remain only for the holidays.

Mrs. Jim Moore was in Hale Center the first of the week, visiting her father, who is confined in a hospital.

Ten Texico Teachers Leave For Holidays

Ten teachers of Texico schools will be out of town over the holidays, Dec. 22-Jan. 2, announces Agrie Jones, superintendent. The remaining three of the 13-teacher staff will remain in Texico for the Yule season.

Superintendent and Mrs. Jones intend to visit his parents in Portales and spend some vacation time at home; F. D. Stout, girls' coach, leaves for Grady, N. M., where he will visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Stout; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Armour travel to Clovis to see their parents, Mrs. Armour and E. R. Haynes;

J. G. Hibbs will go to Brownwood, Tex., visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Hibbs; Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Stockton intend to visit Mr. and Mrs. Tom Vaughn at Rosedale, N. M., and G. B. Stockton at Forrest;

J. F. Adams will spend his vacation in Texico; Mrs. Jimmie Allman goes to Lubbock to see her sister, Mrs. Chester Young; Mrs. B. A. Rogers will remain in Texico; Mrs. Frank Seale will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Sheriff, Lubbock, Tex.; and Mrs. LeRoy Faville will remain in Texico.

Recital, Social Held By Local Students

Mrs. Florence Millwee Vinyard, local piano instructor, entertained at her home in Farwell the past Saturday with the annual Christmas party and recital for students and their parents.

Musical selections by the young pianists featured compositions by several noted composers, with a number of seasonal numbers being used.

The seasonal motif was used in decorating the entertaining rooms, with a lighted Christmas tree featuring the scheme. Refreshments of punch and cookies were served to some 40 pupils and guests.

Sunday School Group Has Social Saturday

Some twenty-five youngsters of the Beginner-Primary Department of the Methodist Church enjoyed their annual Christmas party, the past Saturday, when they assembled in the undercroft of the church.

Rather than exchanging gifts, the children brought gifts of food to be distributed to less fortunate during the Yuletide season, and two baskets were filled, sponsors report.

Christmas songs and games were enjoyed, with treats being given the youngsters, after which refreshments were served by the teachers. Mrs. Jim Moss and Mrs. W. H. Graham.

Christmas Social Held In Lubbock Sunday

Children of C. E. Crume, of Farwell, and their families, enjoyed an annual Christmas season get-together, Sunday, when Mr. and Mrs. Dick Crume entertained with a turkey dinner in their home in Lubbock.

Following the dinner, the youngsters present participated in a gift exchange from a decorated Christmas tree.

Present for the occasion were C. E. Crume and son, Bill, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crume and sons, Bobby, Phillip, Donald and Dean, Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Cason and son, Guwayne, all of Farwell; Mr. and Mrs. Vance Crume and Judy of Friona; Mr. and Mrs. Kirt Crume and Van of Hereford; Steve Bavousett and the host and hostess, all of Lubbock.

In Graham Home

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Potter of Albuquerque, New Mexico, spent the past Friday night in the home of Mrs. Potter's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Graham. They were en route to Florida where they plan to spend the Christmas holidays visiting with relatives.

Tuesday Party Notes Thirteenth Birthday

Gene Hardage celebrated his 13th birthday, Tuesday night, with a party given in the home of his parents. Games were enjoyed, after which Gene opened his many lovely gifts, displayed around a miniature Christmas tree.

Cake and ice cream were served to Bill Watts, Troy Christian, Jimmy Hardage, Jerry Poteet, James Roberts, Lavon Jones, Don Geries, Don Pool, Pudge Rose, Gerald Hardage, Truitt Hardage, Mona McDormand, Gloria Dial, Peggy Hardage, Neil Hancock, Phillip Crume, Dean Wall, Gloria Jean Sanders, Lavoyda Billington, Eddie B. Smith, Glynn Hardage, Wayne Hardage, Ludene Terry, Phillip Magness, Betty Billingsley, and the honoree.

Humble Home Will Be Scene Of Reunion

Home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Humble will be the scene of a family reunion during the Christmas holidays, as the local people prepare to entertain their daughters and families.

Expected to arrive for Christmas are Mr. and Mrs. Lee McDaniel and family and Miss Twila Strickland, all of Lubbock; and Mrs. J. H. Farquhar and daughter, Martha Ruth, of near Houston.

Mrs. Thad Watkins Is Variety Club Hostess

The Oklahoma Lane Variety Club met last week with Mrs. Thad Watkins, with Christmas games and carols being enjoyed by the group.

Mrs. Scottie Barry gave a musical reading, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. W. E. Verner. Secret pals were revealed, and names drawn for the coming year. New officers were chosen for the coming year.

The Watkins home was beautifully decorated in the seasonal motif and members enjoyed a gift exchange, with Mrs. Watkins presenting each lady with a lovely Christmas corsage.

Refreshment plates were served to Mesdames J. R. Caldwell, J. B. Ginnings, John West, Jack Roach, Sam Sides, W. E. Verner, W. P. Shelley, Sam Shelley, Clyde Perkins, C. C. Christian, L. M. Grissom, J. I. Gober, Scottie Barry and the hostess. The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. John West.

To Visit Parents

Bobbin Freeman who is now stationed at El Paso at the Army Camp there, will visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Freeman, in Texico during the Christmas holidays. Lt. Freeman is being transferred to Camp Hood, at Brownwood, Texas, and will proceed there upon leaving here.

Here From California

Mr. and Mrs. Denver May and daughter, Aileen, of Pomona, Calif., arrived here early this week for the Christmas holidays. Mr. and Mrs. May plan to visit with her parents, in Wheeler, Tex., while Miss May will remain here to spend the holiday with friends and relatives.

To Ponca City

Mrs. Rosa Barlow and son, Bobby, and Mrs. aBlow's brother, John Oliver, plan to leave here the latter part of this week for Ponca City, Oklahoma, where they will visit her brother, F. A. Burdick, who has been in failing health for some time. They will visit other points before returning here after the first of the year.

Is New Member

Women's Athletic Association at Eastern New Mexico University has recently accepted Grace McDaniel, of Texico, freshman, as a new member.



This Is The Place For Your Last-Minute Christmas Gifts

RED + PHARMACY

Here For Holidays

Mr. and Mrs. James Box and Cindy arrived here the latter part of last week to spend the holidays in the Johnnie Lewis and C. D. Houghtling homes. Box is a student at Eastern New Mexico University. Mrs. Box's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cailouet are also expected in for the holidays from Oklahoma City, where he has been receiving medical care.

Visit In Amarillo

Mrs. L. C. Moore and daughter, Mozelle, and Mr. and Mrs. James Berry visited Mrs. Jesner Johnson at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo, last Wednesday. Mrs. Johnson has recently undergone major surgery, with both legs being amputated above the knees.

To Wichita Falls

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hardage and family, Lee Nichols and his mother and brother, Malcolm, are expecting to spend Christmas in Wichita Falls, with relatives.

Leave For California

Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Quickel of Bovina plan to leave Monday, Dec. 26, for Los Angeles and other California points for an extended visit with relatives.

Visit Jesko Home

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vassics and family and Mr. and Mrs. Owen Seamounts and daughters, all of Friona, were Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jesko in Farwell. The youngsters enjoyed a gift exchange during the afternoon.

MYF Christmas Party Comes Friday Night

The Methodist Youth Fellowship of the Hamlin Memorial Methodist Church, will stage a Christmas party in the undercroft of the church Friday evening at 7 o'clock, according to announcements from Rev. Murphy Duncan, sponsor, and pastor.

The group will exchange gifts and refreshments will be served. After which they will go caroling in the Twin Cities.

Here From Abilene

Mrs. Ethel Thomas and son, Warlick, former residents of this city and now of Abilene, where Warlick is a freshman at Abilene Christian College, arrived here Monday afternoon to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends in this area.

In Newton Home

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Newton Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Potter and sons of Mulleshoe, Mrs. A. E. Hawkins of Clovis, and Mrs. Bess Mansfield of this city.

Guests of Stewarts

Engle Southard and son, Mark, of Clovis, were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stewart, in Texico, Sunday.

In Monroe Home

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hamm of Camp Chaffee, Ark., spent the weekend in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Monroe. They left early Monday morning to return to camp.



SCHILLING COFFEE 1 pound	69c
FRUIT COCKTAIL White Swan, No. 2 1/2 can	35c
CRUSHED PINEAPPLE Brimfull, No. 2 can	27c
RED SOUR CHERRIES Pitted, Brimfull, No. 2 can	29c
CRISCO or SPRY 3-pound can only	85c
GOLD MEDAL FLOUR 10-pound bag only	85c
APRICOTS Brimfull, No. 2 1/2 can	25c
POWDERED or BROWN SUGAR 2 pounds only	25c
JELLO Any flavor, 3 boxes	25c
WALNUTS Diamond, No. 1, per pound	35c

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RANGE SETS, 3-pc., from	\$1.29 to \$2.49
COOKING SET for girls	\$1.98
SCRAP BOOKS, plastic backs	89c
REFRIGERATOR SETS, 3-pc.	89c
HEAD SQUARES, All-wool, astd. colors	98c
WOOL GLOVES, pair	98c
HANKIES, Men's large white, each	10c
TAM & MITTEN SET, small girls	\$2.79
SHOE SHINE KITS	69c

Stone's Variety Store
AND DRYGOODS

Texico, N. M.

Bovina Happenings

BY MARIE VENABLE

Mrs. J. O. Combs is confined to her home because of an accident that happened Friday in the Bovina school cafeteria. Mrs. Combs was going to light the oven to one of the stoves in the cafeteria kitchen and it blazed out into her face. She was rushed to the Friona hospital by Mr. Willoughby where she received medical care and was returned to her home here. The arms and face were burned also her hair. She is reported to be doing fine at this time.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Truitt on the birth of a son, Friday, December 16th, at the Friona hospital.

Several people motored to Clovis Saturday where they saw Santa Claus.

Mr. Joe Lawrence Langer of Amarillo visited here this past weekend with friends and his mother, Mrs. Joe Langer.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ayres returned Tuesday from their cabin down on Possum Kingdom Lake, where they have been since the middle of October. They tell us they really got in some good fishing during their stay there.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hook and Mrs. Hook's sister, Mrs. Ethel Mashburn, of Renfro, Oklahoma, visited in the A. G. White home several days the past week.

The foundation is being laid for the new home of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Johnston, Jr., in Bovina.

Mrs. Lee Thompson is working in the variety store in Bovina while Mrs. Bill Moore is confined to her home due to illness.

Mrs. Lee from Stockton, California, is visiting in the home of her son, Minister and Mrs. Duard Lee in Bovina.

The Bovina Rainbow Chapter No. 158 met Monday night in the Hall Dec. 5. The program was given by Friona and Bovina Rainbow girls. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Clifford Leake, Marcella Verner and Lillian Ellison were initiated into the chapter. About 30 girls were present.

Mrs. George Harold Trimble is in an Amarillo hospital receiving medical care there this week.

The Jefferson Laundry has installed a new extractor this past week to help the drying of clothes.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Charles are

spending their Christmas holidays in Vernon, Texas with Mrs. Charles' parents. They left Wednesday.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The mystery of the secret pal for the past year was revealed at a Christmas party held in the home of Mrs. Pat Kunselman Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 14 at 2:30 o'clock.

The lovely tree, laden with gifts for the party, was the main decoration. The table was covered and centered with decorations made with pine cones and colored Christmas balls and bells, with Santa and his reindeer marching around the tree.

Many games were enjoyed, and the hostess, Mrs. Kunselman, seemed to be the one that could blow the largest bubble in the bubble gum contest. Mrs. Mae Hopingardner carried off the honors in the guessing games.

Treats contributed by groups were passed around, then gifts were exchanged. Baby Rickey Kunselman was not forgotten by Old Santa as he received a gift too. His little eyes had been searching the pretty tree, wondering if Santa had forgotten him. Refreshments of pie and coffee were served to the following ladies:

Mrs. Mary Richards and daughter, Pat; Mrs. John Wilson, Mrs. Frank H. Wilson, Mrs. Joe Jarrell, Mrs. Mable Newberry, Mrs. I. W. Quicquel, Mrs. Lloyd Batty, Mrs. Oscar Bruce, Mrs. A. G. White, Mrs. Lewis Pesch, Mrs. R. G. Morgan and the hostess, Mrs. Kunselman.

Names were drawn for another year's secret pal.

PLAN FOR FUTURE

Don't overlook the importance of planning for future electricity needs or uses in the new farm buildings or those that may be remodeled. Be sure that you're using the right size wire and that plenty of circuits are included to take care of future needs.

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Plan Ahead For Those Yuletide Decorations

Half the fun of Christmas is planning ahead. You plan what you'll hand at the windows, how you'll trim the tree and what nonsense gifts you'll give to friends, large and small.

At Christmas more than any time of the year you establish definite traditions for your home. You'll find that a particularly beautiful mantel arrangement this year will become part of your Christmas every year. To help you with novel and lovely Christmas decorations, the Woman's Home Companion passes along these suggestions.

Instead of a wreath on your door this year, why not try a Santa Claus with a red cap and white beard. Make the face out of cardboard, colored paper and plastic film. And to say welcome to guests dip a doormat in green dye, and paint a big "Noel" on it in shiny white.

When you decorate your outdoor tree this year do it with the birds and squirrels in mind. Let the children tie nuts, suet, pieces of dry bread and cake to the tree with gay colored yarn. It will be beautiful at night, too when you light the colored bulbs.

Christmas is for the children, so why not set a table for them? Colored plastic mats with a holly design are bright and easy to clean. The centerpiece should be a wide mirror which has been decorated with candle figures... a Santa Claus, angels, snowmen, stars and trees.

For the sophisticated, the Companion suggests this centerpiece as a conversation starter. Fill a fruit dish with a large piece of dry ice, a half cup of water and colorful tree ornaments in all sizes. Mist from the dry ice will rise around the balls and frost them realistically.

If you are looking for an unusual window decoration try this idea. Paint an ivy bracket red, green or white. Put tiny Christmas trees in miniature pots on each shelf, then decorate the trees with the tiniest Christmas balls you can find.

There's nothing quite so satisfying as a gift wrapped especially for you. It doesn't matter if what's inside came from the dime store—the wrapping makes it really your own.

For the girl who likes to sew, gift-wrap material for a dress in a plain package, then tie it with a tape measure and decorate it with spools and a scissor cut out. If you are giving the man in your life Argyle socks, the Companion suggests filling one with nonsense gifts (the other is stuffed in the toe). Tie the top with a gay ribbon and hang on the tree "as is".

A large flat box of letter paper can be disguised as a desk. Wrap the

box in bright colored paper and attach a real blotter to the top. On two corners paste two small, square plastic boxes. These give the realistic effect of desk appointments and can be filled with clips and pen-points.

If you are giving a single gift to a family, wrap it this way to give it an air of distinction. Wrap the box in gilt paper. Tie with contrasting ribbon and across the top of the package glue brightly colored plastic cups (the dime-store variety) which have been filled with tiny candles.

A teen-ager would love a Christmas gift which has been decorated with dime-store jewelry. Or you can wrap a gift of bath powder as a hat. Cover the powder box in foil, then add a fluff of veiling held on with a wide colorful satin bow.

RECORD EXPECTED

The nation's railroads are geared to handle what the Post Office Department expects will be a record-breaking volume of Yuletide mail this month, surpassing the previous all-time high set last year when 5 1/4 billion letters and parcels, weighing 1 1/3 billion pounds, were transported.—Santa Fe Magazine.

GARNISH FOR LAMB

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NEW SUPREME COURT JUSTICE . . . Federal Judge Sherman Minton of Indiana, who was named to the supreme court recently by President Harry Truman to succeed the late Wiley Rutledge, has coffee with his wife, Mrs. Gertrude Minton, in their New Albany home shortly after receiving the nomination.

Drunks Who Drive Given Warning

AUSTIN.—Drunk drivers will go to jail if the Department of Public Safety catches them—particularly during the holiday season.

The warning was voiced Wednesday by Homer Garrison, Jr., public safety director, who explained his position this way:

"Anyone who thinks that drinking and driving can be mixed should take a closer look at the statistics. On the basis of all fatal accidents in 1948, it was found that one-fourth of the drivers and pedestrians killed had been drinking. This is strong evidence that drinking greatly increases traffic hazards to both motorists and pedestrians."

"A holiday spent in jail is certainly more than a threat of official punishment," Garrison said, noting that there is considerably more drinking during the holidays, than usual.

"It's the alternative the police are offering you if you insist on driving after drinking—the other alternative is a crackup with either death, injury or an expensive lawsuit awaiting you."

CORRESPONDENCE WORK

Correspondence courses in Bible study, agricultural economics and farm management are included in the extension service program at Texas Technological college.

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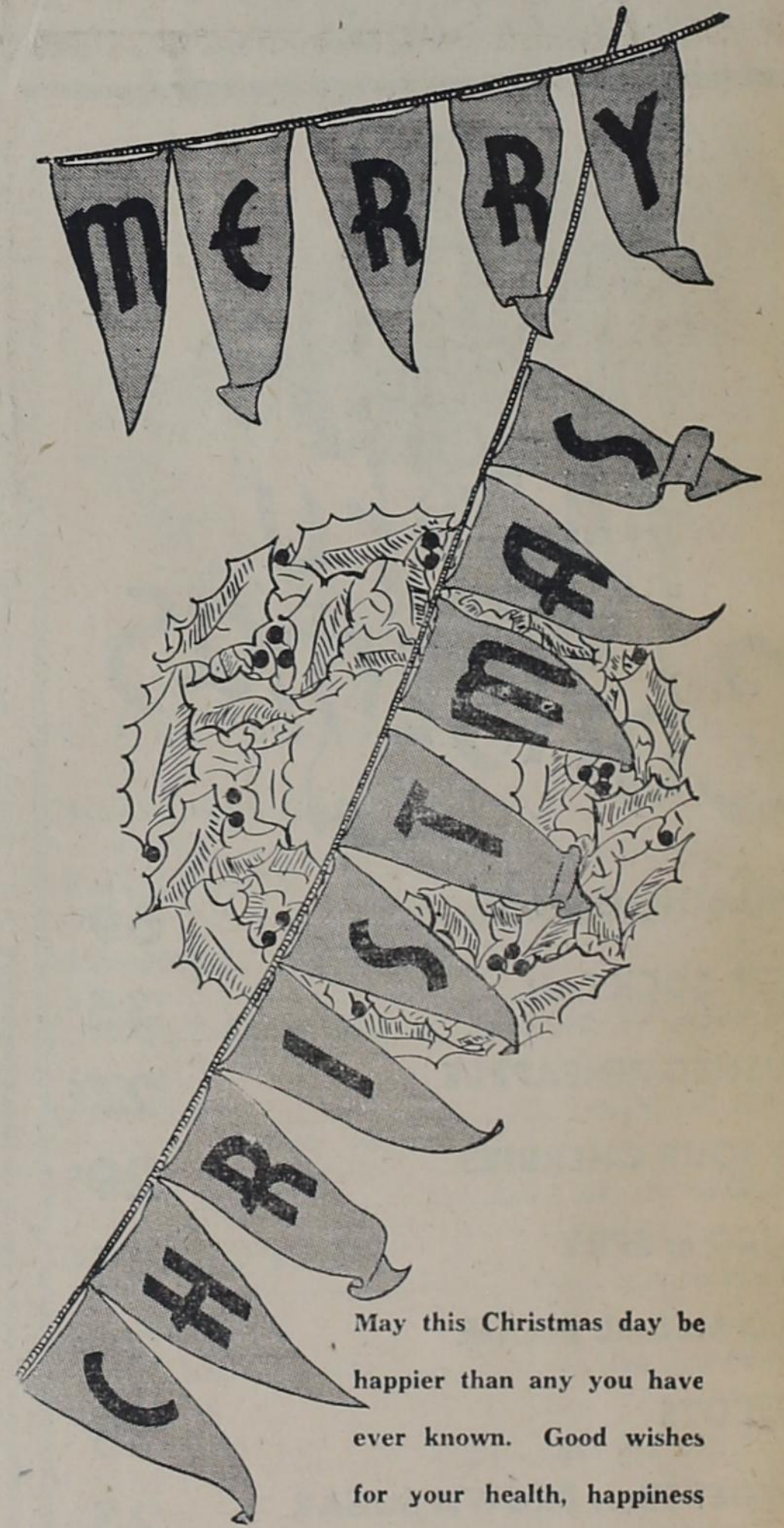
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THE CLOCK struck nine as Nola hung the last bauble on the fragrant green Christmas tree. Without even stepping back to admire the finished effect she went to the front window and peered out. A cold white moon illumined a cold white earth. She shivered. How lonely she had been in this tiny, quiet village!

When she had written Jim two months before that she was being evicted from their apartment in Chicago he had answered, "I'm hoping against hope to be home from occupation duty in time for Christmas, and I can't think of any place more perfect than Pineville to spend the holidays and my terminal leave. Remember my telling you what happy summers I spent there as a child, and how I'd always wanted to see it in winter? Do investigate this, as a Christmas present for me, Nola darling."

So she had come here and found a house. But somehow she felt that the villagers had ignored her as an outsider.

And now it was Christmas Eve. "He's not going to make it and that's that," Nola thought miserably. She knew that he had landed at San Francisco three days before and had been trying desperately to get a seat on a train or plane.



"It's me, Doc Ryan. We're on your party line you know, and heard the good news. My wife thought I'd better take you over."

The telephone rang. "There's a telegram just come for you, Mrs. West, down here at the drug store. Very important."

"Yes?" Nola breathed. "Chicago, 8 P. M. Am catching train. Get off Shoreham five miles east of Pineville 10 P. M. love Jim."

Nola leaned heavily against the wall and stared at the phone.

"Mrs. West, are you there?" Mr. Trotter, the druggist, sounded anxious. "Listen, you go out in the garage and get your car motor to warming up. My wife'll be up there in five minutes to stay with your little boy. Hurry now."

In joyful haste Nola peeked in at Jimmy—"Santa Claus is bringing you your Daddy, honey"—powdered her nose and put on her fur coat and boots.

The garage door stuck in its icy groove although she bent her whole weight against it. Suddenly, out of the darkness, a voice called. "It's me, Doc Ryan. We're on your party line you know, and heard the good news. I'm so used to driving out in all kinds of weather, my wife thought I'd better take you over."

"Dr. Ryan, I didn't realize 'til just now how I dreaded that trip alone."

A train whistle shrilled through the cold thin air as they drove up to the little depot.

"We made it!" Nola cried exultingly. "Come on." She held open the door.

But Doc muttered, "I'll stay here and keep my feet warm."

Now the huge black engine roared past, slowed down and slid to a stop. A coach vestibule door opened, and before the conductor could step down, a khaki-clad figure leaped on to the platform.

"Oh, darling, darling, darling," Nola's heart throbbed as she felt once more the thrilling warmth of Jim's arms around her.

"Nola!" Jim said everything in that word.

A few moments later as they walked to the car a voice boomed from within, "Glad you made it."

"Whoever you are—thanks," Jim answered. "It's people like you who made me want Nola to come to Pineville to wait for me."

"Get in and close the door. You're freezing me out." Doc grinned as he raced the motor.

"Christmas Eve," Jim said softly as they squeezed in with Doc. "You beside me, our baby just a few miles away, and a Christmas card place like Pineville to welcome us. Don't you love it there, darling?"

Nola glanced at Doc, thought of Mrs. Trotter and the others. "Yes, Jim, I do," she whispered. "I surely do."

CHRISTMAS PRESENT



By Shirley Sargent

THE SMALL KITTEN called Tupid watched preparations for Christmas dully. Only the middle boy, one Archie Raymond, noticed his apathy. The tree, in all its green splendor, stood tall in the living room bedecked with an increasing number of ornaments.

"Careful," Marcia Raymond admonished her son sharply. "Don't hang those big balls down so low. The kitten will break them."

Gently Archie lifted them to a higher bough, drawing in the pungent scent of the pine. Only he saw that the kitten walked slowly under the tree unaware of the boughs tickling her furry back. His youngest brother had named the roly-poly butterscotch kitten Tupid. Young Billy was easily aroused to fits of anger. His favorite expression, under stress, was a lisped, "You 'tupid, you big 'tupid."

Archie, his ten-year-old brother, Joe, and his parents laughed at the little boy's wrath and, because the kitten was s'ower than the others in



Tupid circled and smelled at the black kitten until he was satisfied. Then his tongue flicked out to lick the kitten.

the litter, they named him, most affectionately, Tupid.

"Archie," Mrs. Raymond was flurried from all the excitement, "That blue globe is much too low. Tupid will get it. I don't doubt," she added pessimistically, "that we will lose half of our globes."

Archie could see that Tupid had no interest either in the swaying boughs or the brilliant-colored fragile balls. For two days Tupid had wandered carelessly about the house and yard. He wasn't playful or friendly and he had stopped purring. Only Archie sensed that the kitten was lonesome for his sisters and brothers and his mother. At first there had been four balls of fur and a proud old alley cat mother. As they grew, they had become playful, pattering swiftly through the house. But now they were all gone, including the mother. Just Tupid was left to keep. Even the black imp with shoe-button eyes had been given away. Tar Baby, who had been the boss of the litter, had been gone barely two days, and Tupid missed him.

"Well," his father's voice boomed again, as he climbed down the ladder. "All done in time for Christmas Eve. Come here, Joe, Archie, you too Billy. I want you to see this fine tree."

Mrs. Raymond switched the lights off and Archie shivered in delighted excitement as the tree blazed, illumined by the strings of lights and balls. The magic moment was shattered by the sharp ring of the doorbell.

A rush of cold air came in as Mr. Raymond flung open the door wide to admit a bundled figure. "My father says I can't keep the kitten," Gerald Parks recited automatically, close to tears, "I have to give it back because it gives my father hay fever." Gerald went out in another rush of frosty air, but not before Mrs. Raymond had pressed a fat candy cane into his mittened hand.

Tar Baby huddled in the middle of the floor. "Watch it, boys," Mr. Raymond warned. "Let's just watch him. He feels strange here now; he'll be all right in a while."

Archie saw Tupid jump from the sofa with a purr of delight. Tupid circled and smelled at the black kitten until he was satisfied. Then his tongue flicked out to lick the kitten. Tupid's paws caressed him as his tongue washed him. The black kitten stood passive, as Tupid showered his pent-up love on him.

"Thay, mommy," Billy lisped, "Tupid's kissing him, isn't he?" "Um," Mrs. Raymond agreed, "Tar Baby's Tupid's Christmas present."

Mr. Raymond's eyes swept his sons' awe-struck faces. "No," he said firmly, "He's our Christmas present too."

Christmas Concert Is Planned For Tech

LUBBOCK—Texas Tech's annual Christmas Concert, scheduled for the Lubbock high school auditorium, on December 19, will mark the first public appearance of the Tech choir since Dr. Gene Hemmle became its conductor.

Dr. Hemmle became head of Tech's music department last September. The Tech concert band, men's glee club and Tech Campsaires also will participate in the program.

The program includes "Dry Bones" by the choir; "Jesus, Jesus, Rest Your Head," by the Campsaires; "Angels O'er the Fields Were Flying," by the glee club; and "Christmas Overture," by the concert band. There will be no admission charge.

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The 405 lambs were selected by J. P. Smith, Pan-Tech manager, and Ray C. Mowery, professor of animal husbandry at Tech. Ray Willoughby, San Angelo ranch operator, assisted the Tech staff in making selections.

Dean Stangel said the lambs will be used in a wheat grazing project in cooperation with Texas A. & M. They will be used in a cross-breeding experiment at a later date.

"They will be cross-bred with straight Rambouillets and mutton-type rams 'out of season' so that we can wean the offspring from their mothers and wheat at the same time," he added. The offspring lambs should be ready for market in March or early April.

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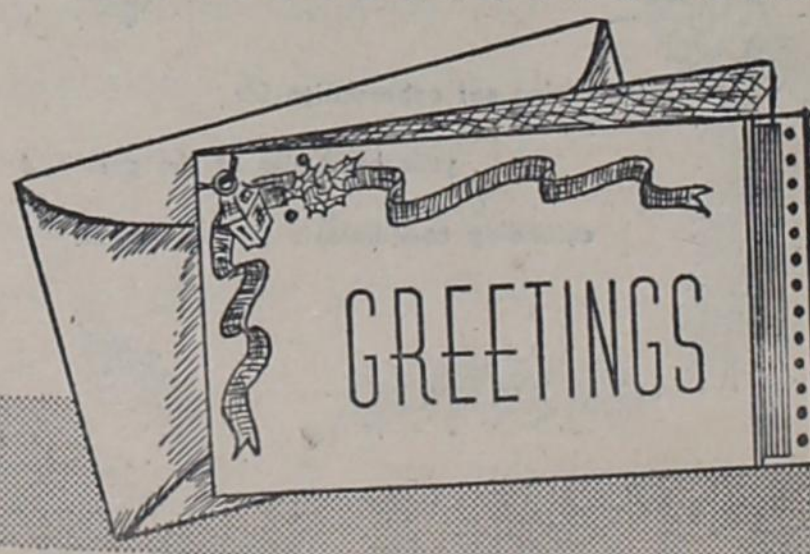
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GRINNING TRIUMPHANTLY, the Farwell girls pose with their tournament trophy, taken Saturday night. Kneeling, left to right: Hazel Petree, Co-Captains Billy Christian and June Christian, Valarie Dial, Bobby Christian. Standing, left to right, Irene Hardage, Caryetta Grisom, Hetty Nan Randol, Betty Foster, Dot Kent, Janean Lunsford and Coach Jack Williams. Pauline Sheets, another team member, is absent.

TOURNEY WINNERS—

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Six boys and six girls were awarded for 16 to lead the Bovina losers. The Springlake boys outclassed the local B squad in the boys' division of the consolation final, with Junior Smith hitting 20 points during the game for the winners, who took their game 58-21. Doshier got 8 for the Farwell team.

Tournament Team Named

Six boys and six girls were awarded all-star individual honors at the close of the activity, and gold basketballs were presented to the group.

The boys' team, ordinarily composed of five players, was boosted to six this year when Bobby Potet, Farwell, and Marvin Massey, Friona, tied in the voting for honors, and each was given a place on the team. Other boys in the group were Brown and Banks, of Adrian, and Harwell of Vega.

Girls chosen for special award were Kay Malone of Muleshoe; Dorothy Moorman of Bovina; Patsy Engram of Texico; Bobby Christian and Bettie Foster, Farwell; and Grant, Ranchvale.

The Ranchvale girls and the Vega boys' teams also received special honors, with sportsmanship trophies being presented to the teams.

Texico Upsets Bovina

Behind 18-12 at the end of the third quarter, the Texico Whirlwinds upset the favored Bovina girls, Thursday, to open the tournament, when they held Bovina to one field goal in the final eight minutes and bagged 9 points for themselves to win 20-21. Roberts and Curry, Texico guards, smothered tall Markham and Pounds in the final half of the game, and the Whirlwind forwards, when they finally started hitting, were up and gone with the game. Count had run 3-3, 10-10, at the first two quarters in one of the best girls' game of the meet. P. Engram was high, scoring 14 for Texico, 6 of those in the last four minutes of play; Markham had 6 and Pounds 7 for Bovina.

Steers Take Sudan B

The Farwell Steers continued the clean-up of local teams Thursday p. m., outscoring the strong Sudan B team, 37-20, in a game which saw Don Ford leading the tallying with 16 for Farwell. G. Chester counted up 11 for the losers. Score by quarters was 10-2, 23-5, 23-12, 37-20, all favoring Farwell.

Muleshoe Girls Swamp Squaws

The Muleshoe girls, playing a man-

to-man defense over the entire court, swamped Friona's Squaws Thursday night, 25-40, as the opening round continued. Malone ran up 20 points for Muleshoe, while her co-worker, Kimbrough was close behind with 17. Shaffer led Friona, scoring 13.

Chiefs Scap Springlake

Sparked by the shooting of Massey and Lacewell, both of whom racked up 12 points during the game, the Friona Chiefs ousted Springlake on Thursday night. Enjoying a comfortable 13-27 margin at the end of the third quarter, the Chiefs were almost taken into camp by a Springlake rally late in the game, and the final score stood at 32-39. Barnett counted up 9 to lead the losers.

Vega Gets Easy Win

The tallest team of the tourney, Vega, had easy pickings in its first game against the Farwell B stringers, with Vega subs seeing a good deal of action during a game which ended 42-16. J. Harwell, of Vega, took top scoring honors with 11, while Doshier managed 6 for Farwell.

Farwell Squeezes Springlake

The Farwell girls had a narrow escape in their first round, Friday afternoon, when they barely pushed by a fighting Springlake sextette, 27-21. The locals led 14-6 at the half, but the third quarter saw the lead cut down to 18-17 and the last quarter was full of fury. Clevenger, of Springlake, was high for the game, with 12, while Randol, of Farwell, took second with 11.

Ranchvale 37, Vega 23

The second girls' game Friday afternoon saw Ranchvale taking Vega in by a 37-23 decision, despite the quick work of L. Price and Newbill, fighting Vega forwards. Stephens and Grant led Ranchvale, scoring 17 points each during the game, while Joy Price topped Vega with 8.

Bovina Wallops Squaws

Marching on down toward the consolation title after losing their initial round, the Bovina girls pounded Friona 25-41, Friday afternoon, with the game marked by fouls. Bovina enjoyed a comfortable lead throughout, and employed a number of subs against their opponents. Bradshaw was in fine form, bagging 16 for the winners, while Shaffer hit 15 for Friona.

Muleshoe 24, Texico 18

Holding a scant lead throughout, the Muleshoe girls earned their right to the finals by defeating the scrambling Texico team in the semi-final match, 18-24, Friday. Malone and Kimbrough continued to hit for

Muleshoe, taking 13 and 9 respectively, as Donahey got her basket eye going and took 9 for the losers.

Adrian Tops Olton Boys

Adrian opened its triumphant march Friday by dumping Olton, 23-46, in a game which had its thrilling moments. Banks, star forward of the winners, pounded in 11 of the Adrian points, while Brown did able assistance. Milsap led Olton with a score of 7.

Steers Ease By Chiefs

The Farwell Steers barely squeezed by the active Friona Chiefs, Friday night, taking out their opponents 26-22, in another semi-final, as Massey and Ford went bucket-wild with 11 and 13 points respectively. Farwell held a 1-point lead at the half and quarter, advanced to a 21-18 at the end of the third quarter, and finally came out on the long end of the score.

Vega Loses to Springlake

The diminutive Vega forwards were effectively smothered by the Springlake guards to give the Green and White team a win in the consolation semi-final, 31-15, as Clevenger came through with 15 points for the winners. Price got five for Vega while Newbill came in second with 4.

Springlake Swamps Sudan B

The Sudan B string was a hapless victim of the Springlake boys in the second consolation semi-final, with J. Smith hitting 16 points as Springlake ran up the highest count of the tournament, 79-10. Sebring got 3 for the losers.

Farwell Girls Take Ranchvale

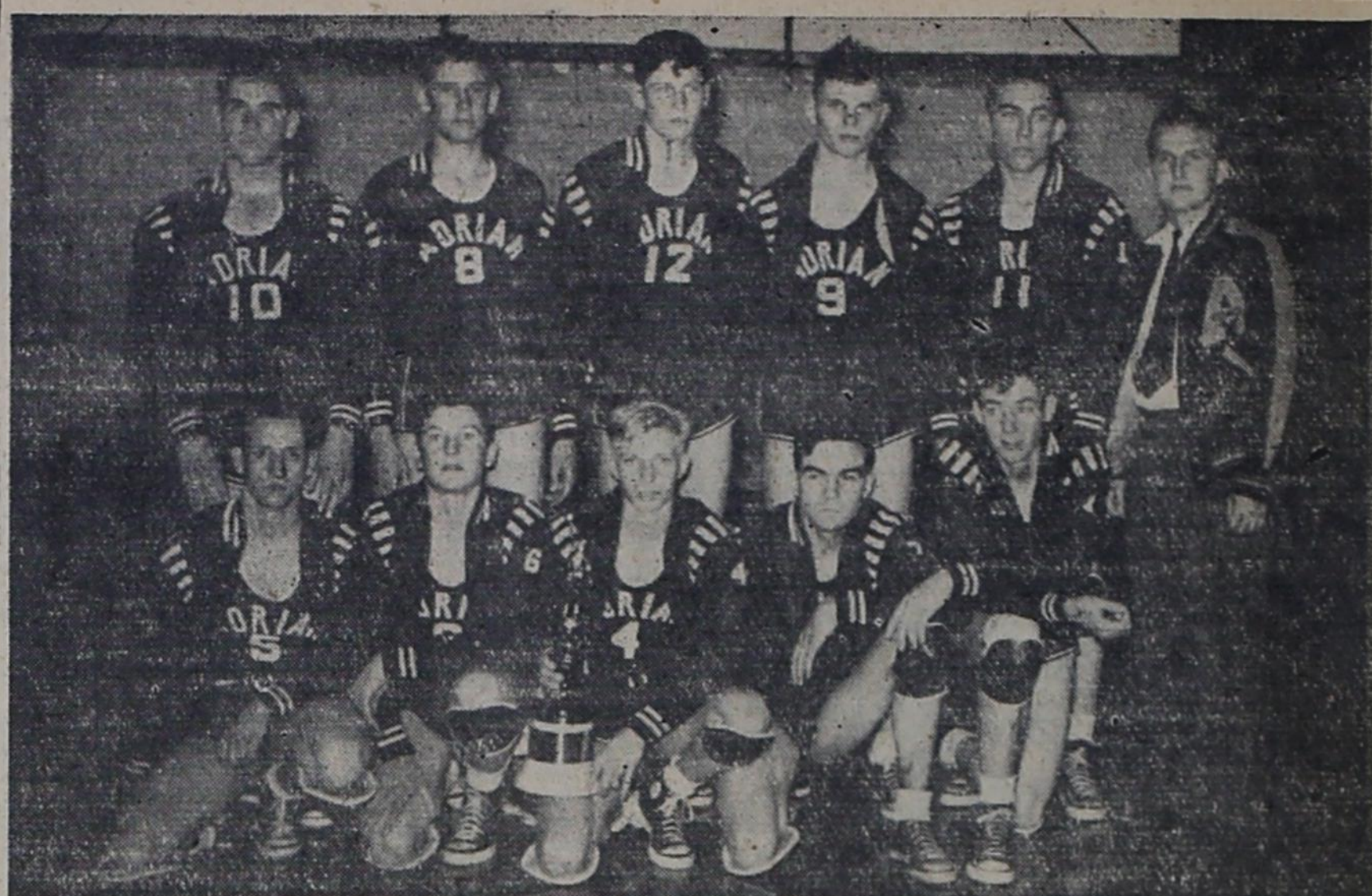
With Randol finally deciding to take her chances with the basket and bagging a total of 25 points, the Farwell girls ousted Ranchvale, 44-30. Randol got 11 of her points in the final quarter, after the locals had held a close 30-26 lead at the end of the third period. Dial was second high with 16, and Grant had 22 to top the losers.

Farwell B Surprises Olton

Showing surprising teamwork, the Farwell B string upset the Olton boys in a consolation semi-final Friday night, taking a 42-34 count over their opponents, as Doshier came through with a total of 16 for the locals. Franks scored 9 for Olton.

Vega Is Adrian Victim

On down the line went the smooth-moving Adrian team in the semi-finals, Saturday morning, when they took an easy match from Vega, 51-33. The tall Vega team failed to handle the quick Adrian boys, allowing Banks to take 14, Brown 13 and Jacobsen 12 in the game. Harwell led Vega with 12 and Cotton had 10.



TITLE HOLDERS are the Adrian boys, who took the Farwell invitation championship home with them Saturday night after defeating the Steers in the final bout. Let to right, first row: Banks, Johnson, Voyles, Fortenberry, Pinnell; back row, left to right: Brown, Lotspeich, Proctor, Johnson, Gruhlkey, and Coach Calvin Massey.

Rogers Beats Texico In New Gymnasium

The Texico Wolverines lost their first game in the new \$39,000 gymnasium, Saturday night, December 17, to the Roger Eagles, 36-32.

The hosts led the Eagles up until halftime, when the visiting aggregation overpowered the lead with a 24-27 count at the three-quarter mark.

Horton of Texico and King of Rogers, tied for scoring honors with 12 points each, and Thatford drew mention also with 11 for the Eagles.

Texico took the lead in the first quarter scoring by a count of 8-7, and maintained the one-point advantage at halftime, 18-17.

The only player to leave the court for personal fouls was Wayne Tucker, Texico captain.

Supt. Agrie Jones said he felt the game had a "pretty good attendance considering the Farwell tournament."

Elected Captain Of All-Star Players

The all-star volleyball team of Eastern New Mexico University put on a demonstration, "How To Play Volleyball", in the college gym Tuesday night of last week.

Grace McDaniel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. L. McDaniel of Texico, a student at ENMU, was elected captain of the all-star volleyball squad.

Open House Staged At Farwell School

Approximately 300 persons filed through Farwell schools Monday night for open house, Supt. Jack W. Williams reported today. Williams expressed satisfaction at the turnout, and said the school departments were well represented with exhibits.

The high school band was on hand to entertain visitors, as well as typing demonstrations, clothing showings, and a climatic demonstration in the science department.

HOPPERS—

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yet, he is due to find out some of these days that he will have a hard time cramming his MUST policy down people's throats. Admittedly, American freedom is not what it used to be but we still believe that most of us resent a MUST policy on the part of anybody.

Heard a bunch of merchants talking the other day about the practice on the part of some school officials in giving the local merchants the "go around" when it came to buying items for the school. The practice of buying groceries for the school cafeterias came in for some rather caustic remarks by the merchants. A bystander tried to point out that the school officials were merely trying to save money for the schools, which is undoubtedly the position of the school officials. This position on the part of the official is understandable; they should be commended in their untiring efforts to save the school's money whenever possible. But, as was brought out in the conversation of the merchants, there is such a thing as economizing at the expense of the boys who help to maintain the schools by their taxes. Which is another way of saying that we wouldn't have the schools were it not for the communities that support them by taxation, and you can't have communities without merchants. All of us want the schools to prosper and be well

maintained, but when we economize at the expense of the taxpayers who make the schools possible there is danger that we might pay too much for our economizing practices.

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**Santa Affected
By Restrictions**

It's difficult to understand, but the genial spirit of Christmas, Santa Claus himself, hasn't always had it easy. There have been occasions when laws or traditions or regulations have put certain curbs on the old gentleman. Here are some examples:

In Newark, N. J., Santa is required to pass a stiff physical examination before he can serve in a department store. And even then he is barred from kissing any of the children who perch upon his knee.

In Charleston, S. C., charity Santas have been forbidden to make a pitch on public streets on the grounds that children flocking in to see them may create a traffic



hazard. And in Washington a few years ago, when the postmaster general was asked to print a Santa Claus stamp at Christmas time he rejected the proposal with a scornful, "I should say not!"

Outside the U.S.A., Santa has had trouble, too. In Montreal, Canada, an influential organization fought against holding of the city's annual Santa Claus parade on the ground that it was "merely a display of grotesque and vulgar buffoonery." A prominent journalist in Rio de Janeiro fostered a movement to do away with Santa Claus (Papa Noel) in Brazil and substitute a toy-bearing grandfather Indian. In Mexico City the minister of education recommended that the Aztec god Quetzalcoatl, instead of St. Nick, should bring gifts to children.

In the field of opinion, Santa has encountered some detractors. A Prof. Ivan E. McDougle, sociologist at Goucher college, Baltimore, declared: "The Santa Claus myth has lived too long. Parents should substitute philosophy"—whatever that is.

A Toronto psychiatrist got in his blast "It should be made clear to children," he said, "that Santa Claus is not necessarily a real man any more than any other character out of a story book."

A Joy No Earthly Wealth Can Give

There is an old tale which becomes apropos chiefly at the Christmas time.

An agnostic—a disbeliever in God—made this offer to a nine-year old:

"I will give you an orange if you will tell me where God is." The youngster was equal to the challenge. "I will give you two oranges," he said, "if you will tell me where He is not."

Many great men have always felt the spirituality of Christmas, and some have managed to put it into words. For instance, when Woodrow Wilson was asked to prove the greatness of Christianity, whose founder was the Christ-child, he said simply, "Try it."

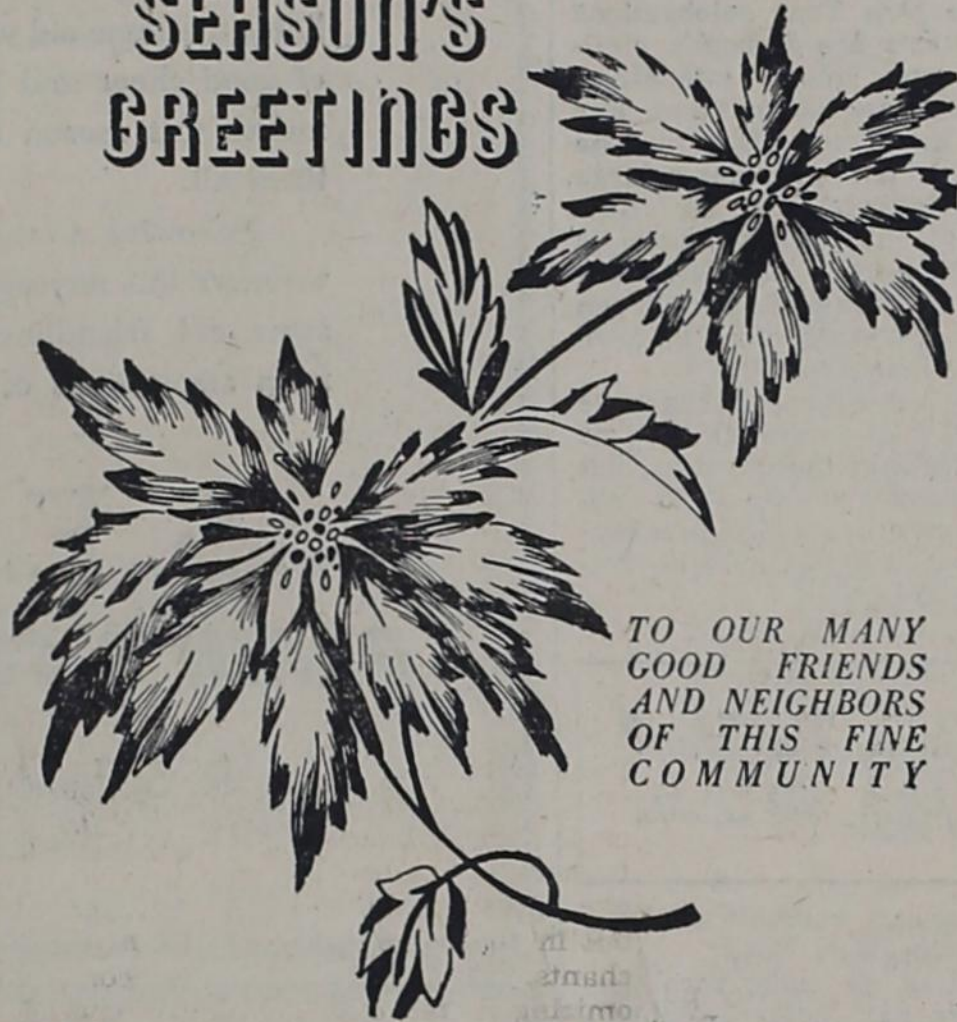
Cardinal Spellman had a Christmas gift for the mind when he said:

"The joy of Christmas is a joy that war cannot kill, for it is a joy of the soul, and the soul cannot die. Poverty cannot prevent the joy of Christmas, for it is a joy no earthly wealth can give. Time cannot wither Christmas, for it belongs to eternity. The world cannot shatter it, for it is a union with Him who has overcome the world."

The late Franklin D. Roosevelt once illustrated the spirit of Christmas with this story:

"A thief broke into the home of a priest and stole his purse. That night the priest wrote in his diary: 'Let me be thankful. First because I was never robbed before. Second because although he took my purse, he never took my life. Third because although he took all I had it was not much. And fourth because it was he who stole, and not I.'"

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"Magic" of Mistletoe

The greens which are used for Christmas decorations found their way into early festivities because of certain virtues attributed to them by the ancients, and many of them which adorned pagan seasonal rites were later taken over to grace the ceremonies and celebrations of Christmas Day.

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

It was the Druids who first used the mistletoe. "Heal-all" was their name for it. The plant was supposed to have curative values, and gradually they assigned to it all manner of magic powers.

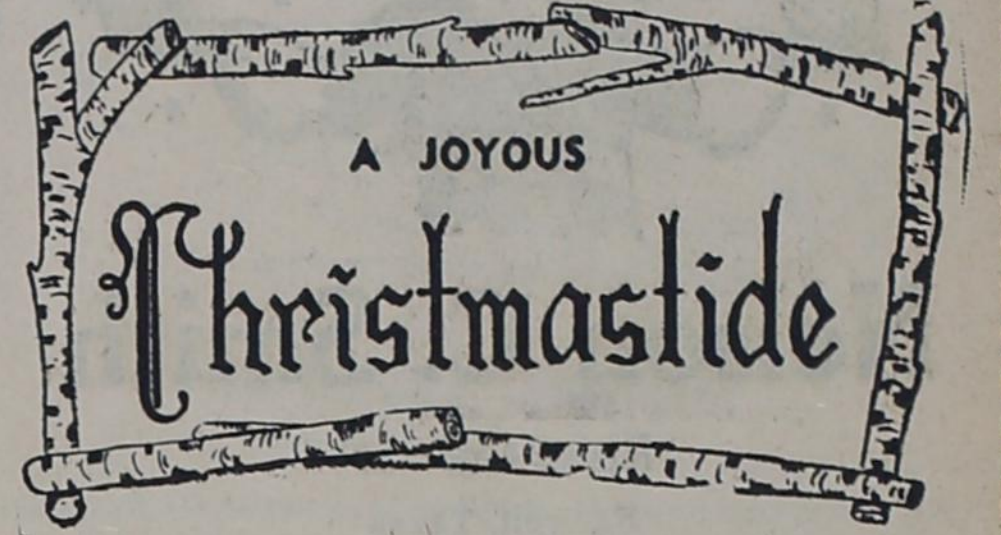
Their priests, each year around the time when we now celebrate Christmas, would have high platforms built around the sacred oak trees which, in a manner of speaking, were "hosts" to the mistletoe. Robed in ceremonial vestments of white, they ascended these platforms, and with golden sickles especially made for the solemn occasion they cut away the mistletoe.

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

Eventually the green came to be regarded as a symbol of peace. Opposing warriors who met near it would call a truce, and it was customary to hang it over the entrance doors so that they who entered might be assured of friendship.

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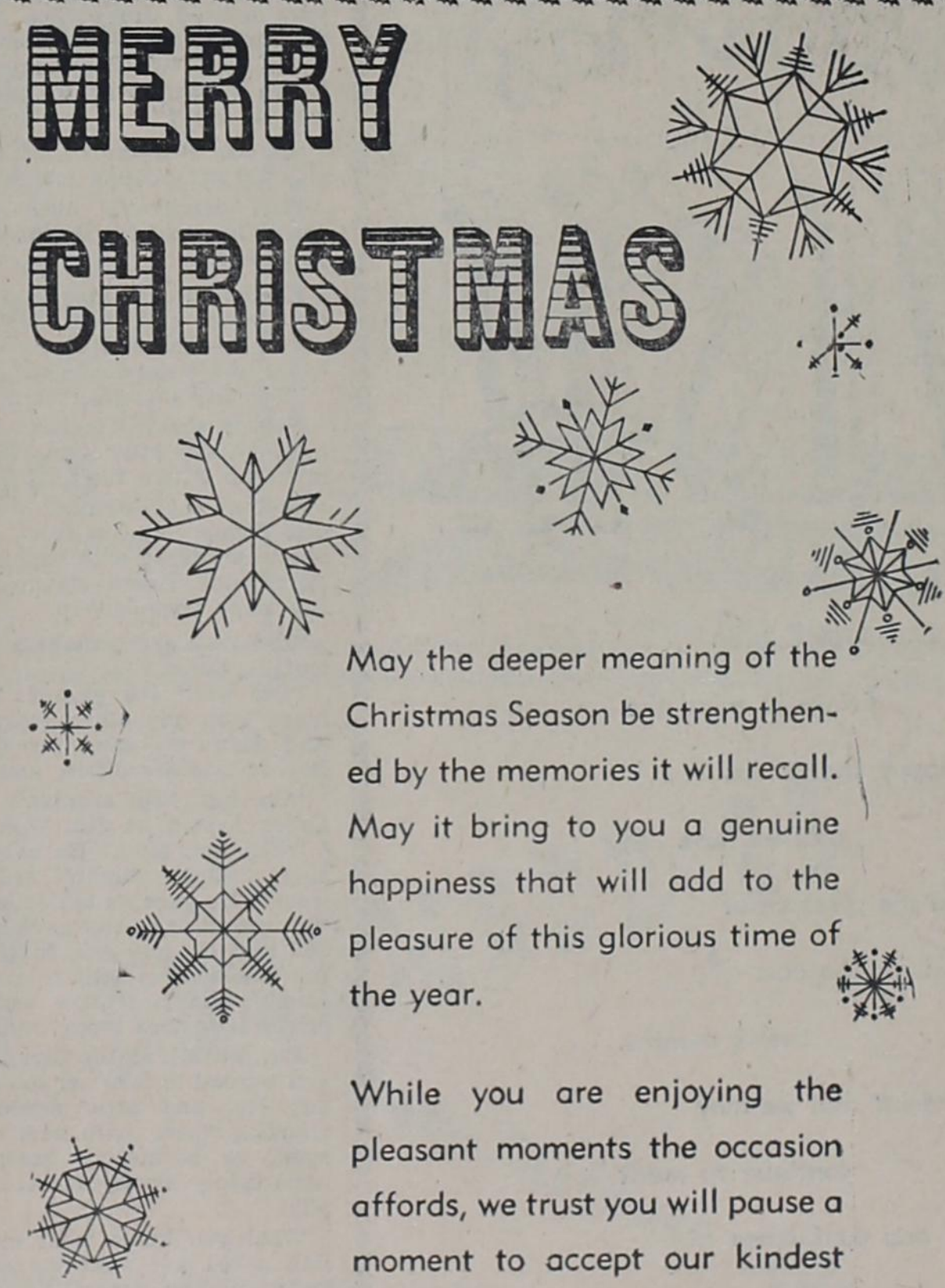
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Your trust and confidence
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will be one of
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Let EVERY HEART

By Vera Tarpley

"BUT THEY don't believe in Christmas, Jim—you know that." Laura wished she hadn't spoken quite so loudly; her remark had stopped in midstream three rapid-running conversations. Her guests studied the rug pattern. Jim merely looked at his wife in silence.

"I mean, after all," she went on, "it's not their religion. . . so I assumed it would be embarrassing—to them—to invite them to our Christmas party." She swallowed uncomfortably.

"And I assumed that this party was for all the fellows in our office, including Ben." He smiled then, but didn't soften the accusation. Everyone in the room knew of the close friendship between Jim and Ben—they only guessed at his wife's resentment of the friendship.



"He asked us to sing 'Silent Night' and guess what? He gave us ten dollars! And she invited us in and gave us candy and cookies."

Mr. Adams, office manager, broke the silence next. "I wouldn't worry about it too much, Jim. After all, Christmas is . . ." He emptied his glass and returned it to the coffee-table. "And we all feel a little differently about the holiday than they do."

About nine o'clock carolers came to the door, singing lustily and slightly off-key. "Let every heart prepare him room . . ." The oldest caroler was scarcely twelve. He rattled a box full of coins. Mr. Adams snatched the donation box from him, ceremoniously deposited nine pennies, and passed from guest to guest, bowing after each donation. Everyone put in nickels and dimes. Jim put in a five-dollar bill and everyone shouted "Show-off!" Laura was annoyed but kept still. Laura and Jim's little girl, Bonny, was out caroling too, but her group covered a different neighborhood.

No one noticed much when the telephone rang later in the evening and Jim went to answer it. But they noticed Jim's face when he returned to the living-room—it was white and twitched unpleasantly. Laura walked over to him. "Who was it, dear?"

"It was Ben—he called to apologize for not coming tonight."

"His daughter's been in Children's Hospital for the past month, you know."

Adams broke in. "Say, that's right—Ben said she was pulling out of it—that was last week I believe. How's she doing, did he say?" "She died this afternoon."

Nobody seemed to have anything more to say after that. The party broke up within the next half-hour.

Just as the Adamses were leaving, Bonny came in from caroling. She was flushed with happiness and excitement. Laura clutched her in her arms convulsively.

"Did your group make a big haul tonight, Bonny?"

"Did we!" she gasped. "We got more than any other group I bet! And Mon, we sang for that Mr. Ben at Daddy's office, and—"

"Oh but you shouldn't have!" Laura looked at Jim with alarm.

"Why not, Mom? He asked us to sing 'Silent Night,' and guess what? He gave us ten dollars! And she invited us in and gave us candy and cookies, and gee, they're nice! And I told them hello from you and Daddy, and you know what? She cried! Isn't that funny, mother?"

Jim looked at his stricken wife and wanted to take her in his arms, but Mr. and Mrs. Adams were standing there with their mouths open, so he merely grasped her hand firmly. Bonny babbled on happily.

"And you know what else? Mr. Ben asked me what the donations went for, and when I told him he took all the money out of his wallet and put it in our box, can you imagine? And then I asked him if he had any boys or girls like us and would they like to go caroling with us and he said no. And then she started crying again and we left. Wasn't that funny?"

Mr. Adams cleared his throat. "By the way, Bonny, just what were those donations for anyway? I forgot to notice."

"Why, for the Children's Hospital fund—or something like that—it was all printed on the box."

U.S. Stands Low On List of Nations Getting New Year

From the precise instruments of the naval observatory in Washington, and through the great Arlington radio towers, America and much of the world will learn the exact instant when the old year has passed and 1950 has taken its place. And it is from another haunt of science in the capital, The National Geographic Society, that one learns when and where the new year begins.

The United States, accustomed to ranking itself pretty highly in world esteem, has to content itself with being about sixth-rate in the eyes of Father Time, the society points out. For time serves up the new year to Australia, Asia, Africa, Europe and most of South America before he gets around to the first of our citizens in Maine.

Then, for three more hours, the people of California must munch the crusts and pick the bones of the old year before they receive a fresh helping of time; and the residents of Alaska must wait two more hours beyond that.

When the New Year actually is born it will be 7 a. m. December 31 in our eastern cities; 6 a. m. in the central time zone; 5 a. m. in the mountain zone, and 4 a. m. in the Pacific coast states.

While the New Year celebrations in all countries are basically similar, there are many interesting variations and special features. For example, in Great Britain the king's honor list provides a large topic of conversation on New Year's day. The wassail bowl is an important part of the New Year observance in England, and "open house" is generally kept in town as well as country.

New Year's customs always have had a joyful theme. Few tears ever mark the death of the old year, but there is always gladness at the advent of the new era which mankind always hopes will prove to be better than the old one.

*A Happy New Year?
Then Pay All Debts*

Want to assure yourself a happy and prosperous New Year?

Well, first of all make sure that all debts are paid before midnight on New Year's Eve. This ancient Chinese custom is designed to start the New Year off with a clean slate and, although its origin is lost in antiquity, solvency is still a good foundation for prosperity and friendly business relations.

If you are unmarried and would like to remove the 'un' from your status, be sure to put on the left stocking before putting on the right one when you dress New Year's morning — and try to be as left-handed as possible during the day, thereby increasing the potency of the charm which is supposed to aid



love's progress. Marriageable maidens who look out the window on New Year's morning, can anticipate being married before the year is out if they see a man before they see a woman.

Be sure to wish everyone a "Happy New Year," but keep your fingers crossed for luck while giving or receiving the greetings; and don't forget to say "rabbits" as soon as you wake up in the morning.

An old English custom, presumably founded on the superstition that whatever you do on New Year's Day is indicative of your fortune during the ensuing year, advises opening a bank account on January 1.

Since your New Year will be, to a certain extent, what you make it, resolve to make it a happy and prosperous one.

Idoltrous Rites Caused Ancient New Year Ban

Although it is not generally recalled, Christians at one time were prohibited from participating in the social customs prevailing at the season of the New Year.

The reason for this was that while the Christian emperors kept up the custom of observing the New Year, the people continued so many idoltrous rites that the church applied a ban upon participation in the rites.

Finally, after December 25 had been fixed as the date of Christ's nativity, the church made January 1 a religious festival. This has been observed in the Roman church since 487 and in the Anglican church since 1549.

Merry CHRISTMAS



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Among the myriad problems which beset parents at Christmas time are the many questions from the small-fry about Santa Claus. And the business of telling Junior or his little sister the truth about the jolly old gentleman in the red suit is really a major task.

However, the situation is bound to arise, and when it does, it does something to your heart strings—so you draw the little ones close and cast about for the best explanation.

Oddly enough, the true story is best—and the easiest to tell. So why not just tell the little ones this?:

St. Nicholas (or Nicolas) is Santa Claus' real name. He lived in Asia Minor and was the beloved bishop of the Greek church of Myra in Lycia. He is the patron saint of the young, and in some European countries a person dressed as a bishop still assembles the children and distributes gifts of nuts, sweetmeats and other nice things to the good boys and girls.

Children loved St. Nicholas and trudged along beside him as he trudged the dusty roads of the Lycia countryside, bringing fruit and candy to the sick and needy.

One of many stories told of his goodness concerns a poor and honest man and his three good and beautiful daughters. The father was unhappy for poverty prevented his giving the customary dowries to his daughters, and for this reason they could never have suitable husbands.

One night a bag of coins was tossed in at the man's window. The next night the act was repeated. But on the third night the father watched, and the anonymous giver was detected. The jolly bishop stood with the third bag of coins in his hands. The father was very proud and would not accept the money. The good bishop begged the poor man to accept the gifts and use them for his daughters' dowries, requesting that his name never be revealed.

At last, the father accepted the money for his daughters, but he could not keep the name of the generous bishop secret — so the legend of the goodness of St. Nicholas was further spread and strengthened.

Ants are more closely rated to bees than to termites.

- then came Three Wise Men



Legend not only has identified the Wise Men as Gaspar, Melchior and Balthasar, it has crowned them and given them the kingdoms of Tarsus, Arabia and Ethiopia. It has symbolized their gifts as symbolic of what Jesus was to become—gold for a king, frankincense for a high priest and myrrh for a great physician.

The Gospel text's specific wise men from the east logically identifies them with Zoroastrianism—an ancient monotheistic religion of Persia. Zoroastrian priests were called Magi; they were powerful in public and private life since they, and they alone, possessed the priestly mysteries involved in the worship of Mazda—who represented the Zoroastrian power for good.

The Magi may or may not have been fabulously wealthy: St. Matthew does not elaborate their treasures nor the amount of gold, frankincense and myrrh which they presented to the Christ Child. The gifts may have been mere tokens of their treasures, or the sum and substances thereof.

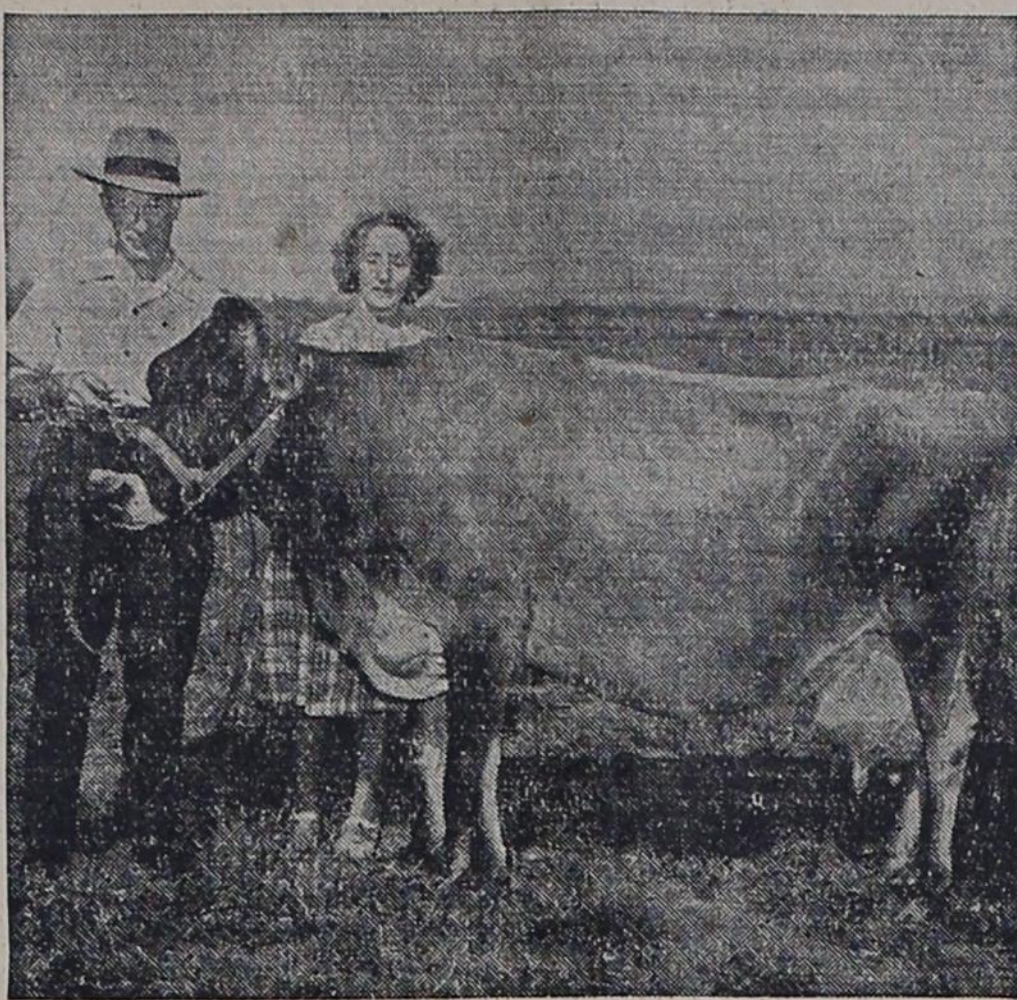
And if they were soothsayers, mystics and possibly clairvoyants they were also truly wise—in as much as they did not return to Herod, but departed into their own country by a different route.

Tech Speech Clinic Offers Free Aid

LUBBOCK—Students with speech defects in public schools and at Texas Tech are receiving aid from the Tech speech clinic without charge, Miss Helen A. Lindell, clinic director, has announced.

"We attempt to correct any deviation from the normal way so that the student will not be handicapped either socially or in business," she said.

The area clinic for public school students has patients from a number of South Plains communities. Response to the annual campus clinic for Tech students has been "surprising-ly good", Miss Lindell said.



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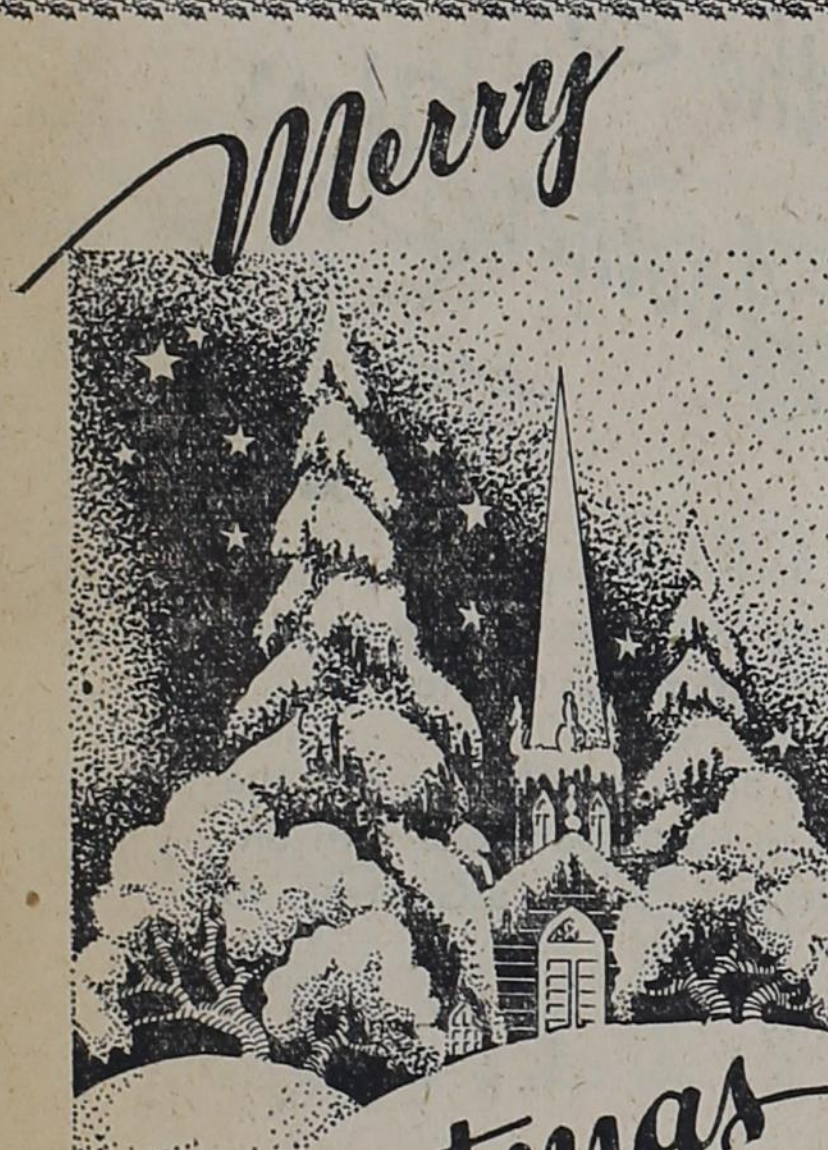
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ONE TRACK MIND

By Shirley Sargent

THE VERY NICEST thing about Henry Ellis, Henry had decided, was the fact that he was nine years old. He possessed another attribute variously described by his mother as stubbornness, stupidity, and the result of a one track mind. To get something he really wanted, Henry had learned from experience, he always had to work hard and long. Pestering his mother for what he wanted came easiest. "Why not, Mom?" he begged. "Why can't I do it? I want to more than anything in the world. I'd be so good you wouldn't know me." Finally his mother gave in to his endless teasing and what she considered impossible promises. "All right, all right," she said,



Soundly sleeping, he lay back in the chair, in one hand a noise-maker; clutched limply in the other, a large horn. The box in his lap contained piles of confetti.

"We'll see if you can be good for a whole month and then—well, we'll see."

His long-awaited goal was in sight, but Henry had to admire his mother's shrewdness. Knowing that Rita, who was five, would keep close tab on him, Mrs. Ellis put her in Henry's charge for the month. Playing nursemaid to a five-year-old was a stern task, even when he could be as nasty as he wanted—but taking care of her on

his good behavior was purely awful. All this time she would taint her demands with "Or I'll tell mama." Only once he told her calmly but desperately, "If I ever have any children, they'll all be boys or all be girls. I'm not going to make any little boy of mine have a little sister. No sir, I'll give him a turtle or a goat or something he wants, not a little sister."

Rita just barely listened to him before demanding, "Now be a turtle for me, Henry. Crawl like a turtle and pull your head in a shell."

The days crept past Christmas and Henry knew that being good was surely a most terrible experience. Then at last the month was over and he heard his mother asking, "Had enough of being good, Henry?"

Feeling it to be a trick question, he answered casually that "... would be fun to see the fellows again, and just sort of all over relax!" She laughed, encouraging him to go on. "Hey, mom, well, can I do it—you know?"

She kissed him, saying, "Yes." Henry yelled "Hooray" as he ran into his room. Gosh, it had been worth waiting for after all—my but he hated girls, though. Ugh! There were some very important matters to attend to before he was quite ready. They wouldn't take so long, but the waiting would. He started unwrapping his packages. Thanks to mom, life was really fine.

A little before 12 that night Mrs. Ellis, noting the silence, went into Henry's room. His lights were blazing but the boy was asleep in a chair drawn close to an open window. She walked quietly over beside him. A whole month—thirty arduous days devoted to being good—he had worked for this night, and now he was asleep with the sum total of his dreams in his lap and fists. Soundly sleeping, he lay back in the chair, in one hand a noise-maker; clutched limply in the other, a large horn. The box in his lap contained piles of confetti, while reams of paper streamers were laid neatly over the chair arms. There was a ridiculous paper hat crushed into the chair back by his head, and, on the table near him, there was another horn. It had a white card tied on it labelled simply "For mother."

So, she thought, with tears in her eyes, a little man's plan for one night had included his mother. She shook him gently, settled his hat more perkily on his head, and picked up her own horn. Noise seemed suspended in the air.

"Wake up, little one track mind," she said, sitting him up straight. "Hurry and wake up so you can wish me a Happy New Year!"

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The old years fades into history. Many, many important events have taken place and we find ourselves with mixed emotions. We ponder the next twelve months, yet we face it with the same determination that has carried America thus far.

We do not fear the new year. We welcome it, with all its possibilities and the promise of happier days. Grant that we may continue to be tolerant one with another and as the dawn of the new year approaches, we say, "Season's Greetings to You, Our Friends."

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98 Years Ago a Lutheran Pastor Set Up the First Tree in Church

December 24 this year, the tradition of the Christmas tree in American church services will be 98 years old—for it was back in 1851 that a Lutheran minister in Cleveland, Ohio, lighted the first tree at such services.

The minister was the Rev. Henry Schwan, pastor of the Zion Lutheran Church on Cleveland's York street and his action brought on a storm of controversy which lasted several years. This was caused by the fact that the Christmas tree had so long been associated with pagan observance of the season that many conservatives believed it had no place in Christian ceremonies.

However, some of Rev. Schwan's congregation, especially the children, thought the beautifully-decorated tree, glowing with candles, was just the spirit of the Christmas season.

But the objectors had their way and they were determined that Rev. Schwan's tree was to be the last of the Christmas trees erected in America.

Through the years that followed, the minister did all in his power to learn of the origins of the Christmas tree tradition in order that he might show that the tradition was far from the "heathen" ceremony it had been called.

He wrote countless letters to friends and acquaintances all over the world; he questioned strangers and made long notes of their conversations. And, when he learned that a particular part of the world already had Christmas trees, he would mark that place on a large map which hung in his study—a

dark green tree where the tradition was established, a light green one where Christmas trees, at least, were known.

Pastor Schwan made his search for knowledge of the Christmas tree almost a crusade.

But as Christmas time approached in 1852, Rev. Schwan had not found enough church support for the tradition to light another tree at his Christmas service that year. So, with great regret, he resigned himself to the end of his hope of establishing the custom.

But on December 24, he received from the pastor of one of Cleveland's older churches the present of a new tree. Rev. Schwan realized immediately that the present meant the acceptance of the custom by a churchman far more influential than himself, and his sadness vanished.

There was a Christmas tree in the York street Zion Lutheran church that year—and once accepted in Cleveland, the custom spread all over the United States.

York street where Pastor Schwan's church once stood is changed now and long ago was renamed Hamilton avenue; and the first tree, decorated with candles and a gold star at its top, has given way to trees with brighter, more colorful decorations.

But the tradition of erecting and lighting Christmas trees, which is observed throughout the nation, is the same tradition which Pastor Schwan introduced to this country in the town of Cleveland nearly 100 years ago.

Star of Bethlehem Continues to Puzzle Modern Scholars

Once again Christendom sees the Star of Bethlehem and, like the Wise Men of old, rejoices with exceeding great joy.

Astronomers have discounted possibilities that the star may have been a natural phenomenon since such phenomena occur too far from the earth to serve as any sort of local guide. Modern opinion is, however, inclined to hold that there was a Star—although the story probably has been touched by Oriental imagery.

St. Matthew suggests that even the Wise Men may have lost sight of the star while they were in Jerusalem; hence, they rejoiced when it reappeared to their vision as they approached the Manger of Bethlehem.

Come to think of it, astronomers have sought an astronomically authentic star—and found it not; historians have sought an historically human Jesus of Nazareth—and are still arguing whether or not they have found Him; even zealous theologians, striving to harmonize messianic and eschatological theories with the illusive historical and human Jesus, have sometimes lost sight of the Babe in the Manger Who from His lowly stable draws unto Himself all who are weary and heavy-laden.

Pressing close to that sacred Manger, Christendom glimpses the Star of Bethlehem once more and rejoices in the light of righteousness and peace which has conquered every tyranny that evil men could think of, the light that shineth in the darkness and shall not fail.

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on earth...
good will
toward men

"Peace on earth . . . good will toward men."
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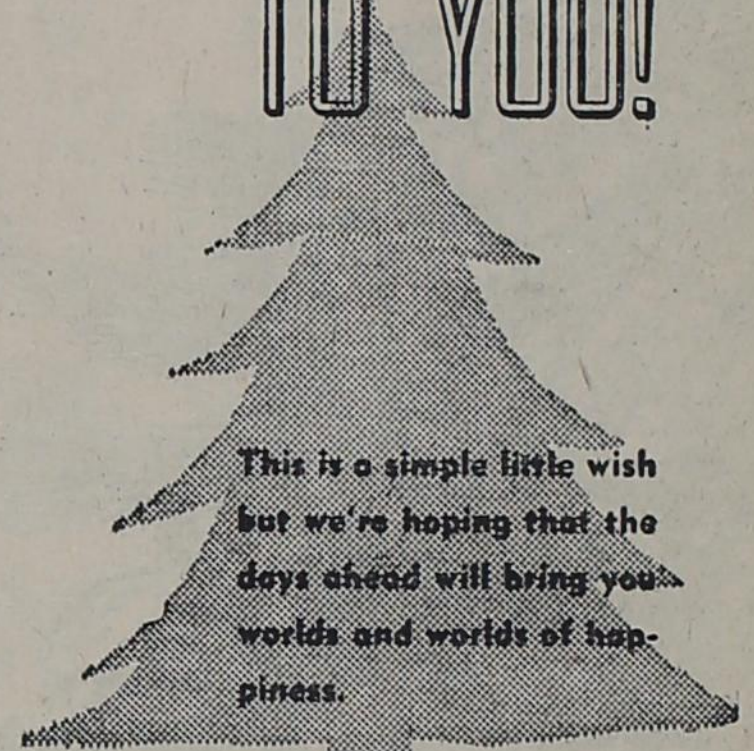
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GREETINGS

Pause a few minutes, please, to accept our heartiest GREETINGS for the Christmas season. Our every wish is for your happiness and contentment at Christmastime and during the New Year.

Whatever your disappointments may have been the past year, whatever sacrifices may have been yours, may you find strength to face the future with a cheerful heart.



We, as Americans, look forward to each Christmas because it is a season that is definitely a part of the American life. From the friendliness of the Yuletide, may we obtain the determination to meet the problems of the future, secure in the knowledge of tried and proven friendships to help us in our every effort.



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FROM YOUR

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NEAT BUTTON TRICK

Before a new garment is worn, touch the center of each button with transparent nail polish. It seals the threads so you won't have to resew so often.

ON CURING CONCRETE

New concrete on the farm can be cured by covering with earth or straw. Cover it as soon as possible, then keep it moist for at least five days.



By Dorothy Boys Kilian

IT WAS Christmas Eve but the group of people sitting on the floor in the Reeds' living-room certainly weren't in a festive mood. "Doggonit," Dad exclaimed as he stared gloomily at the shiny tracks and the motionless cars of a new electric train. "What's wrong with this thing anyway?" "We've put it together exactly according to directions, I'm sure we have," fifteen-year-old Rick insisted. "Well, something's got to be done," said Mom, looking in from the kitchen where she was stuffing the turkey. "Little Jackie's been praying for that train for months, and how'll he feel tomorrow morning if the thing won't run?" "Maybe Ralph can help. He's coming by for me in a few minutes, you know," said Wilma, the pretty big sister of the family. "Oh, him!" Rick was scornful. "That guy from the big city with



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his socks and ties and handkerchiefs that match! What does he know about motors?" "Rick!" Mom reproved.

"Oh, I know you all think of him as an outsider," Wilma said. "If you only really knew him better! Mom, I do wish you'd let me ask him to breakfast tomorrow." "I'm sorry dear, but I just don't think he'd fit in."

The doorbell rang. Wilma answered it and she and Ralph exchanged happy hellos.

Rick immediately threw out the challenge to the tall, blond, well-dressed young man. "We can't make this train go. Can you tell what's wrong with it?"

"Maybe," Ralph said quietly. "I used to have a train something like this."

"Look out, that cotton batting stuff will stick to your trousers," Dad warned.

"That's snow, and the snow around here is clean."

Dad looked slightly startled. Wilma smiled. She remembered how impressed Ralph had been by the whiteness of the drifts even on Main street last night.

"The flakes are practically sooty before they even reach the ground in Chicago," he had said.

"Tracks are O.K.," Ralph straightened up. Then he picked up the shiny black engine carefully and turned it over and over. He put it up to eye level and peered into its workings.

"The professional touch!" Rick muttered.

"There may be oil in the commutator," Ralph said. "That sometimes happens with a new engine. I'll see if I can get it out."

"I'll get you a rag, Ralph, just a minute," Wilma got up and started for the kitchen.

"Never mind, this'll do," Ralph answered, pulling his perfectly folded wine-colored handkerchief out of his jacket pocket.

He worked quietly for a moment, gently poking the corner of the handkerchief into the inside of the engine. Then he set the engine carefully down on the track and said, "Turn on the juice, will you Rick?"

Rick meekly moved forward the black lever at the transformer. There was a whirring sound, the wheels began to move, and the little puffer-billy whizzed and clacked around the curve.

"Praises be!" Dad heaved a loud sigh of relief.

Ralph quietly got up from the floor and turned to Wilma. "Maybe we'd better go now, if we want to catch the gang."

"All right, Ralph," Wilma said. Her eyes turned pleadingly to Mrs. Reed. "Mom—"

"Oh, yes, Wilma," Mom interrupted. Turning to Ralph she said heartily, "In all the excitement we almost forgot to ask you to be sure to come over for late breakfast with us tomorrow. It's just a simple family affair, but we surely would like to have you with us."

"You bet." Dad's eyes twinkled. "Something might go wrong again and we'd feel safer with you around to fix it."

GREETINGS



with all good wishes

for a glorious Holiday Season

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Farwell, Texas

Clovis, N. M.



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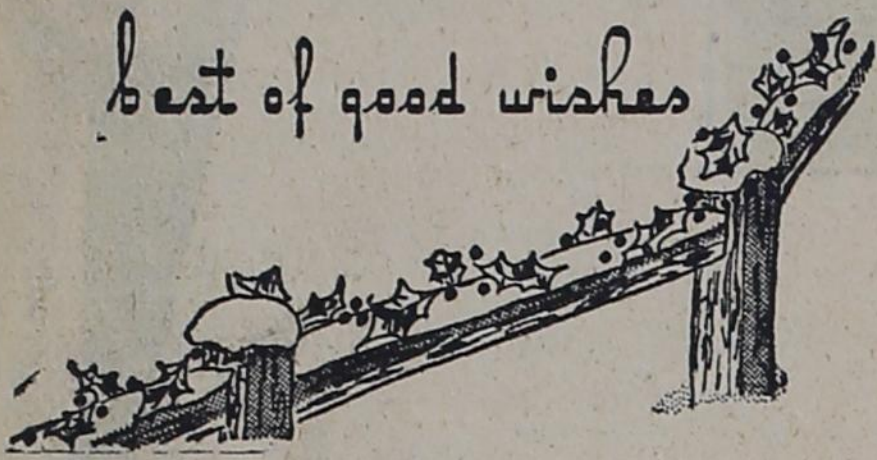
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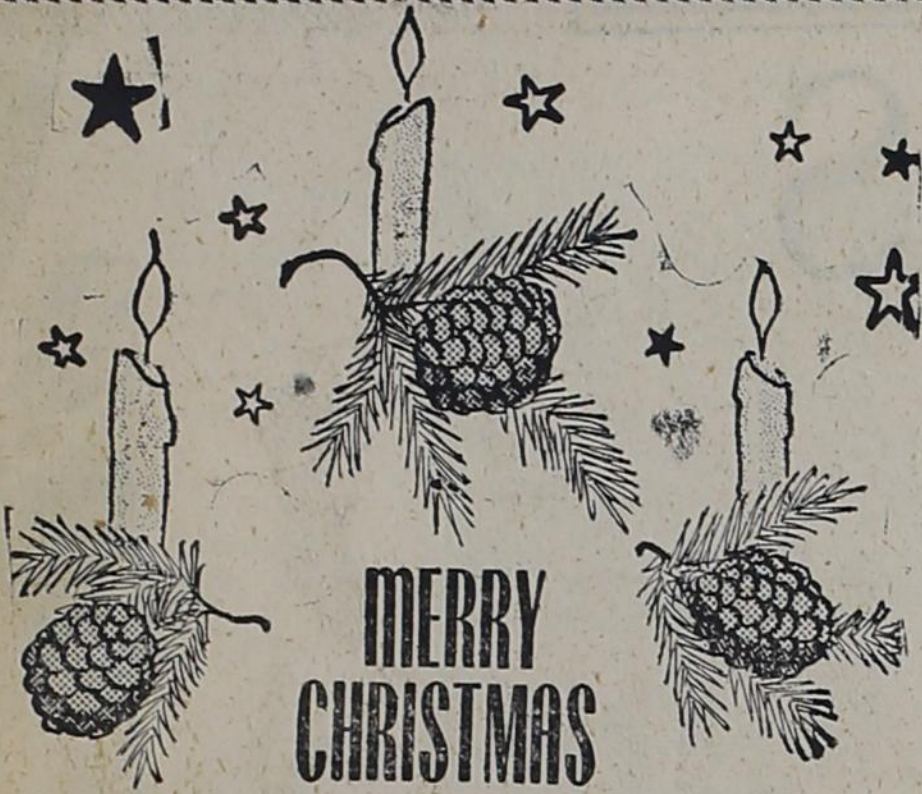
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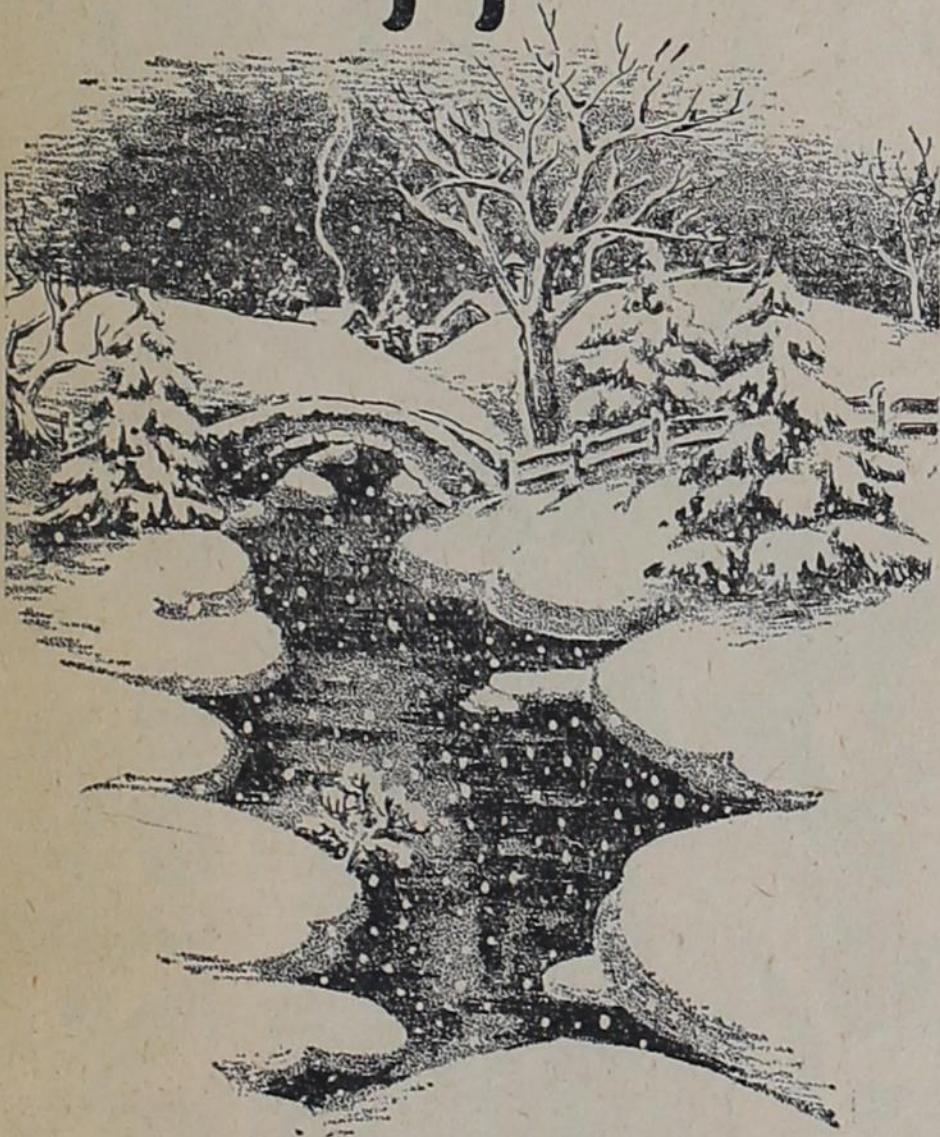
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and best wishes for good fortune
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Christmas Happiness



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The Scots have always made a big fuss over New Years, and no wonder. The wassail bowl goes 'round at New Year's time, filled with savory liquid and nostalgic memories.

Traditionally, the wassail bowl itself should be an ornament of graceful design; its contents should be warm and spicy—with sweetened wine, ale, sugar, and nutmeg.

Custom dictates that at the stroke of 12 on New Year's Eve, the head of the household should sip the mixture and then pass it among those present. A favorite custom of the Scots has been to pile into wagons or sleighs carrying kettles full of the wassail, cheese and buns. The party stops at various houses in the community and the refreshments go 'round at each stop without paying much attention to the approaching dawn.

"Open House" on New Year's Day was quite the vogue in the United States around the turn of the 20th century. Newspapers carried columns of 'at home' notices announcing the hours during which visitors would be received. And having duly received, hosts and hostesses closed their receptions and joined the procession of callers at other 'open houses.'

Human nature being what it is, receptions were often 'crashed' by strangers prompted by the accessibility of free punch, and a succession of several 'open houses' sometimes resulted in the most welcome guests arriving in excessively boisterous or mellow moods and contributed to the abandonment of the publicly announced 'open house.' But intimates still toast each other around a private wassail bowl and "drink a cup of kindness yet for Auld Lang Syne."



New Year's Day, aside from its festive connection, may not seem very momentous to the average citizen, but in the past it figured prominently in the making of history.

It saw the unfurling of the first American flag by George Washington, and the emancipation of Negro slaves.

Here is a list of important events that have occurred on New Year's day throughout the ages:

- January 1
- 38 B. C. The era of the Caesars began. . . .
- 1349 A. D. Edward III, king of England, defeated the French before Calais with great slaughter. . . .
- 1735 Paul Revere born. . . .
- 1757 Calcutta, India, captured by the British. . . .
- 1776 First Union flag of 13 stripes unfurled by George Washington. . . .
- 1792 Kentucky admitted to the Union. . . .
- 1801 Union of Ireland with Britain. . . .
- 1814 American dragoons attacked the British who had seized Buffalo, N. Y. . . .
- 1815 General Jackson repelled British when they attacked New Orleans. . . .
- 1825 Great Britain acknowledged independence of South American republics. . . .
- 1863 Emancipation of Negro slaves became effective by proclamation of President Abraham Lincoln. . . .
- 1907 U. S. pure food law put into effect. . . .
- 1913 Parcel post system inaugurated. . . .
- 1919 New Year's day declared a legal holiday throughout the country except in Massachusetts and Washington, D. C.

REMEMBER LAST CHRISTMAS?



Remember Last Christmas?

These were the major goings-on in the world during Christmas week in 1948:

December 27 — Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty, outspoken foe of Hungary's Communist regime, was arrested on charges of plotting against the government, spying, treason and blackmarket dealings in currency.

In an extemporaneous speech at Kansas City, President Truman made this remark that caught the interest of the world: "There are certain leaders in the government of that country (Russia) who are exceedingly anxious to have an understanding with us."

December 29 — President Truman returned to Washington after a Christmas vacation in Independence, Mo.

December 28 — Twelve stranded air force men were rescued by plane from an icecap in southern Greenland by Lt. Col. Emil Beaudry.

December 31 — The 80th congress, denounced by President Truman as the second worst on record, passed into history with the adjournment of both houses.

December 31 — At year's end, America's favorite popular song for the moment was "On a Slow Boat to China."



CHRISTMAS SYMBOL . . . The light of the deathless spirit of the Yule burns steadily in every mind at this season of the year, but nowhere is it more beautifully typified than in the delighted, wide-eyed look of a child experiencing the shimmering delights of his first Christmas.

Naturalized Citizen— That's Our Santa

Santa Claus as Americans know him is a naturalized American citizen, and as such is America's contribution to the Christmas legend. That's the opinion of Dr. Gustav O. Arlt of the department of Germanic languages on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California.

"The Norwegians who settled early in America brought the first version of the modern Santa Claus, who in Europe had been known as St. Nicholas, but never adequately personally described," said Dr. Arlt.

"When the American Clement Moore described the jolly, rotund gentleman in minute detail in his poem "Twas The Night Before Christmas," he assumed the proportion of living legend and thus became an integral part of Christian legend and folklore," the professor stated.

Archaeologists' Findings Bear Out Bible Stories

Archaeologists' findings oftentimes serve to further establish the authenticity of the story of Jesus. Only recently a group discovered the name of Jesus, carved before 70 A.D. and perhaps by an eyewitness to the crucifixion, among inscriptions on 11 early Christian burial urns found in a cave on the Jerusalem-Bethlehem road.

The urns may provide the "oldest archaeological record of Christianity" and an historical confirmation of the trial and crucifixion of Christ, the archaeologists said.

A sect of Hebrews, who followed Jesus, denounced Pontius Pilate and mourned the crucifixion of their leader, was believed to have left the writings on the urns in the cave.

The Hebrew and Aramic inscriptions contained common names like Miriam, Simeon, and Matti. The Greek inscriptions and symbols beside them contained references to Christianity and, it seems probable, to the crucifixion.



Christmas Greetings TO EACH OF YOU

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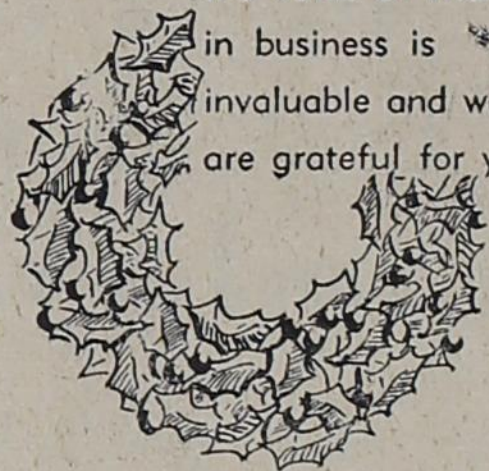
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in business is
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Farwell, Texas

ANYTHING WE CAN DO?

Is there something we can do to

add to your Christmas happiness?

If so, please call on us.

Meantime,

here's our greetings to you

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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O Little Town of Bethlehem

1. O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, How still we see thee lie; A -
 2. For Christ is born of Ma - ry, And gath - ered all a - round, While
 3. How si - lent - ly how si - lent - ly The won - drous gift is given! So
 4. O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem, De - scend to us, we pray, Goad

bove thy deep and dream - less sleep The si - lent stars go by; Yet
 mor - tale sleep, the an - gels keep Their watch of won - dering love. O
 God im - parts to im - man hearts The bless - ings of His heav - en. He
 out our sins, and an - ter in, Be born in us to day. We

in thy dark streets shin - eth The ev - er - last - ing Light; The
 more - ing stars to - geth - er Pro - claim the ho - ly birth; And
 ear may hear His com - ing, But in this world of sin, Where
 hear the Christ - mas an - gels, The great glad tid - ings tell; O

hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee to - night,
 prid - es as sing to God the King, And peace to man on earth;
 weak souls will re - ceive Him still, The dear Christ an - ters in,
 come to us, a - bide with us, Our Lord Em - man - u - el



Thank you for your thoughtfulness, consideration and loyalty during this past year. We hope this carol brings you joy this Christmas Season, and may each day of the New Year be filled with the good things of life.



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COOKIES FANDIES & CHRISTMAS

LIKE Santa's pack, your stock of holiday goodies should be plentiful and interesting. Since callers will be as much present as holly and gifts during the holidays, do your baking of cakes and cookies, so your cupboard will be ready for any who might drop in.

Home-made delicacies served during Christmas and New Year's are as heart-warming as the sound of the yule log crackling on the hearth. If you have a fruit cake, a variety of cookies and perhaps a few candies, and if you serve these with a festive beverage, you will have gone a long way in spelling holiday cheer to those who come to say "Merry Christmas" at your home.

Here is a simple type fruit cake which does not need the aging that a traditional cake requires. The recipe makes two 9x4x3 inch loaves and is the perfect answer as to what should be served during the holidays:

Raisin Fruit Cake

(Makes 2 loaves)

- 4 cups seeded raisins
- 2 tablespoons grated lemon rind
- 1 tablespoon cinnamon
- 1 tablespoon allspice
- 2 1/4 cups liquid
- 2 1/2 cups chopped nutmeats
- 4 cups sifted cake flour
- 5 teaspoons double acting baking powder
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 1/2 cup butter or shortening
- 2 eggs, well beaten
- 2 teaspoons vanilla

Combine raisins, lemon rind, spices and water in a saucepan. Cover and simmer gently for eight minutes. Drain, pressing out as much liquid as possible. Measure liquid and add water or coffee to make one and one-half cups, and reserve. Grind raisins with nutmeats.

Sift flour once, measure and add baking powder, salt and sugar; sift three times. Cream butter thoroughly, and add flour mixture, eggs, vanilla and reserved liquid. Stir until all flour is dampened. Beat vigorously for two minutes. Add raisin-nut mixture and mix thoroughly. Turn into two 9x4x3 inch loaf pans which have been greased, lined with brown paper and then greased again. Bake in a moderate (350°) oven for one hour and 15

minutes, or until done. Let stand five minutes on cake rack, then remove from pan, leaving paper attached until ready to serve. Cool. Wrap in a clean cloth and store in tin container to keep moist.

*The liquid may be water or left-over coffee.

Kris Kringle cookies are a tasty concoction of dates and nuts. If stored in a tightly covered container, they will keep moist for several days:

Kris Kringle Cookies

(Makes 30 balls)

- 1 cup butter cookie crumbs
 - 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
 - 1/3 cup sifted all-purpose flour
 - 1 cup finely chopped, pitted dates
 - 1 cup black walnuts, chopped
 - 1/2 cup sugar
 - 2 eggs, beaten
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla
 - 1/4 cup confectioners' sugar
- Combine cookie crumbs, salt, baking powder and flour. Add dates and nuts. Add sugar gradually to



RAISIN FRUIT CAKE
for a spicy holiday

beaten eggs. Blend in cookie crumb mixture and vanilla. Bake in a greased and floured nine-inch square pan and bake in a slow (325°) oven for 30 minutes. While still warm, cut into 30 squares. Roll each square into a ball, turning the top, crusty portion inwards as you roll. Place confectioners' sugar in a bag. Shake the balls in the sugar to coat evenly.

TOYS FOR THE CHILDREN

How did you choose the toys for your youngsters this Christmas?

A New York toy manufacturer declares that only a few parents will select the proper playthings for their children each Christmas.

Most, he said, buy toys that please themselves, rather than the children.

The man, who owns a company that makes creative playthings, warns that "gadgety" toys may be harmful and frustrating. And, he adds, children quickly tire of them.

"The best toy a parent can buy," he said, "is a set of plain unpainted, wooden unit blocks. Children will use and enjoy them from age 18 months to nine years."

He said that girls between age 3 and 7 should have a "doll corner." He said the corner should be supplied first with a large wooden stove, bed and cupboard.

"The doll corner will become the most treasured play place in the little girl's life," he said.

He contends boys from ages 2 to 7 mostly enjoy "transportation" play—trucks, cars and boats.

There was no statement about what parents should choose at Christmas for the young teenage boy or girl—in the 13-16 year-old group, whose interests already are deeply grained in social activities, and who prefer parties and dances to play-at-home activities.

Perhaps by next year, this manufacturer, or some child psychologist will have solved this problem.



AND I WANT . . . This is a candid camera shot of a little girl being interviewed by a genial Santa on the subject of her desires in the line of Christmas presents. The rapt expression on her face is typical of small girl-and-boyhood when a lovely crisis like this presents itself.

There are almost as many different sorts of beetles as there are all other insects combined.

BRINGING YOU Season's Greetings Wilson Food Store

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Wilson

Bovina, Texas

THAT jolly old gentleman is here again, bringing with him, we hope, a sleigh full of good things for all our good friends. Welcome, Santa, to this community, you'll find some mighty fine folks around here, each of whom is deserving of all the nice things you have for them.

They're friends of ours, and we're proud to call them friends. They have been good to us—we hope you will be good to them.



Merry
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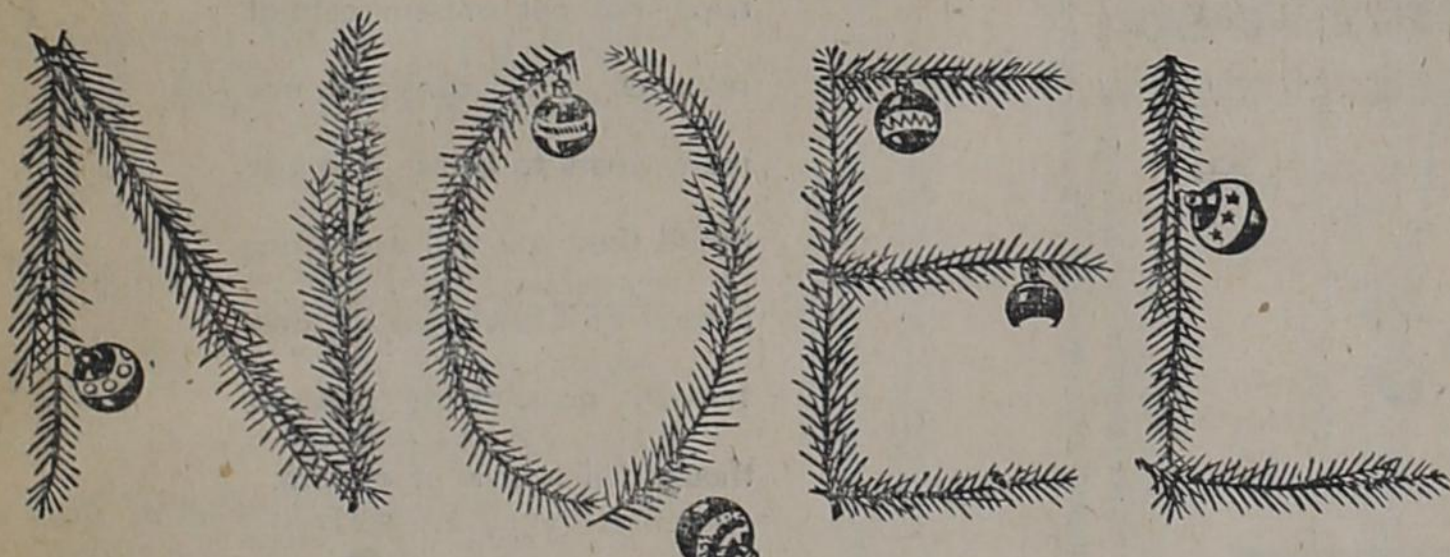
Esquire Cleaners--Trimble Barber Shop

Bovina, Texas



BACKED UP . . . What would Christmas be without bright new dollies for little girls to cherish? Giving promise of a goodly crop of dolls for this Christmas are these finished heads on racks in a toy factory, ready to be given bodies and limbs.

A Most Joyful



and Our Best Wishes

It has been our good fortune to have the opportunity of serving the finest people we know of anywhere and the arrival of the Christmas season brings renewed appreciation of the value of these fine relationships.

Permit us to extend to you, the people we serve and those we hope to serve, our hearty good wishes for your happiness at Christmas-tide.

Bovina Wheat Growers, Inc.

Lee Thompson, Mgr.
Bovina, Texas

the Thrill of Christmas

The thrill of Christmas is electrifying! The warm glow of true friendships and associations with loved ones, the blessings of good health, good cheer and good fellowship inspire each of us to greater things and a better understanding of those about us.

We await the Holiday Season with a keen anticipation—not for the material things resulting from such an occasion, but because it is the one time of the year that the whole world is kin.

That this Christmas be the most inspiring of all, is our Yuletide wish for you.



Macon Elevator

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Macon

Bovina, Texas

Legend of the YULE LOG

In Virginia, the old Dominion, storied land of early American history, there is an old tradition of the origin of the Yule log that is retold every Christmas.

As the family sits around the Yule log and sips their Christmas eggnog on Christmas eve, the ancient legend is recounted again.

One very cold Christmas eve, when the frosty wind howled across a world of snow, an old man was sitting in his little cabin wishing that he had a fire to warm him.

Suddenly he heard the cry of a little child away out in the cold. The old man hobbled to the door and gazed out across the snow. The wind and the snow came rustling in and the old man shivered until his "onliest two teef" chattered with cold.

The plaintive cry of the child came again above the whistle of the wind. It went straight to the old man's heart and he wished with all his power of longing that he might have the strength to go out and find the unfortunate babe.

The cry came a third time — and when a wondrous thing happened. A miraculous power filled the old man's veins. His muscles became strong and tense, his crutch fell back into the cabin and he stepped from his threshold out into the snow.

Hurrying over the snow with a speed he had not owned since boyhood, by and by he came to a little child lying in a snow bank.

He bent down and touched the child and a great new strength flowed over him, a strength which seemed to give him wings as he sped back to his cabin.

Arriving there, he placed the child upon the bed, tenderly drew the ragged coverlet about it and then looked to see if there were a bit of furniture he could use to make a fire with which to warm the little one.

At that precise moment a great log rolled across the threshold and into the fireplace. The little child looked at the log with eyes like stars—stars which sent gleams of light that kindled the log with the most brilliant fire the old man ever had seen.

The dingy little room immediately was filled with radiance and warmth, and as the light enwrapped the child he laughed and laughed with a melody like a song from the heart. The old man turned his eyes to where the fire burned and watched the flames leap in beautiful rainbow tints over the log, and as his old eyes watched, the colors seemed to form the shape of the Cross in the fire.

The flames of the Cross leaped higher and higher, blue, red, yellow and white, and as the old man watched this display, suddenly and magically there appeared a table in the center of the room, covered with a Christmas feast such as never before had been spread before his eyes. And never again was the old man hungry or cold, and never after that was there a Christmas in old Virginia without the Yule log and the Christmas Child to give light and warmth.

And that is the story of the Yule log as it is told in Virginia every Christmas eve.

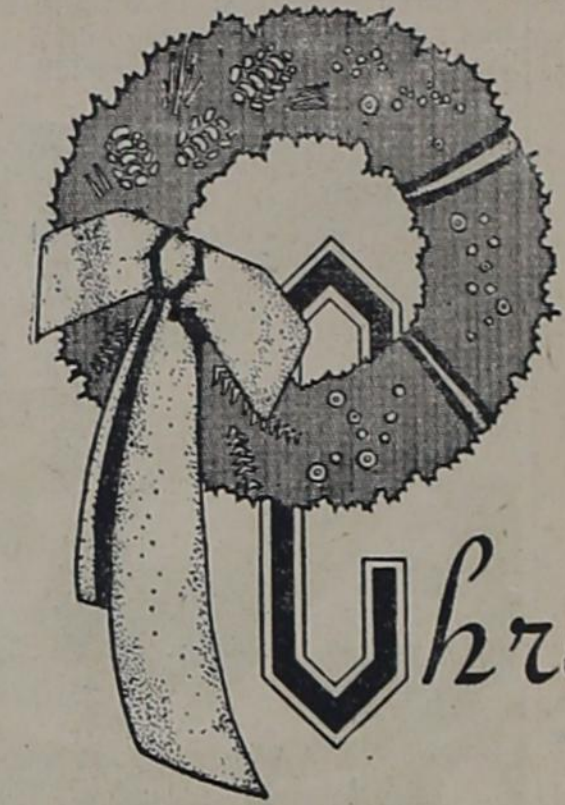
The ideal Christmas tree is the fir, because of its tendency to hold its needles longer.



AMERICAN CHRISTMAS SCENE . . . Symbolic of our nation at this festive season of the year is this picture of little Ethel Gorman, 4, daughter of a guide at the Statue of Liberty, as she admires a Christmas tree on the porch of Newell M. Foster, superintendent of the statue staff on Bedloe's island. Over her shoulder, Miss Liberty herself stays right on the job, blazing her message of peace and good will.



Scott's Music
Clovis, N. M.



just wouldn't seem like Christmas if we didn't take advantage of the opportunity to thank you for your excellent patronage the past year. A perfect Christmas to you and yours.

Pace Brothers

Texico Hotel Building

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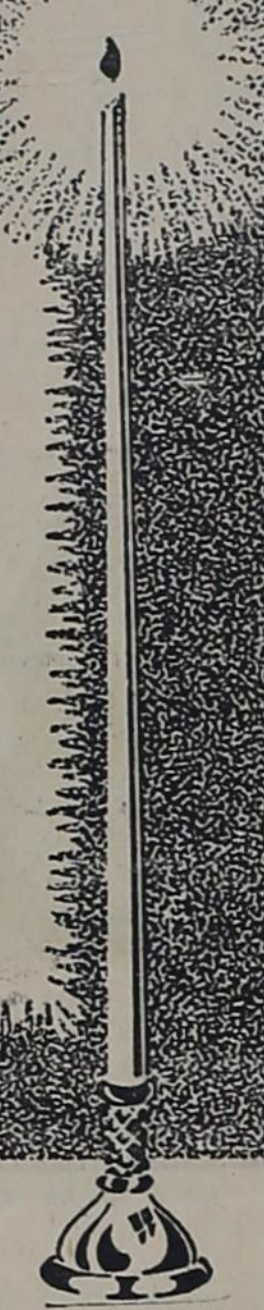
ALL too often we forget to speak our thoughts of the fine people of this community whom it is our privilege to serve. Our good wishes are many, however, and we deeply appreciate your friendships and associations.



Merry Christmas
City Cleaners
Farwell, Texas

The Warm Glow of Christmas Candles

It is our fondest wish that you will enjoy the same warm friendships and associations of those about you on this, the greatest day of them all - - Christmas.



Roden-Smith Drug Store

Clovis, N. M.

WISH you a very Merry Christmas and to express the hope that our present cordial relations may continue for many years to come. It is our desire that you will enjoy the Season of Christmas, its fine friendly associations and its thoughtful tokens of esteem.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

You have been considerate and generous with your patronage and we are truly grateful for these courtesies. Merry Christmas to one and all.

Jack Holt

"THE CLOTHIER"
Clovis, N. M.



THIS Christmas, as in all past Christmases, our thoughts and affection for our friends remain bright. So, our best wishes of the season to you—and hopes for a happy New Year!

Lariat Grain & Seed Co.
Progress Grain Co.

GEO. HOUSER, Manager

Season's Greetings

To all of you whom we have faithfully endeavored to serve for many years, we say

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Williams Mercantile Co.

Bovina, Texas

LEGAL NOTICE

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS**

TO: Mattie D. Hudson, Eliza J. Hudson, Hopping & Roberson Mercantile Company, a corporation, Wiley Blair, H. P. Farr, O. L. Olcham, L. F. Wilson, Coleman Lysaght Blair Co., a corporation, L. F. Wilson & Company, a corporation, the unknown stockholders of said corporations, and the unknown heirs, assigns and legal representatives of the aforesaid defendants, greeting:

House thereof, in Farwell, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 16th day of January, A. D. 1950, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 30 day of November A. D. 1949, in this cause, numbered 1493 on the docket of said court and styled L. E. Meeks, Plaintiff, vs. Mattie D. Hudson, et al, Defendants.

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

Plaintiff sues in trespass to try title, alleging that on November 1, 1949, he was the owner in fee simple of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, Block 18,

*Pilgrims Deplord
"Ye Christmas Day"*

Puritan disapproval of Christmas celebrations disembarked from the Mayflower with the Pilgrims in 1621 and, accordingly, Governor Bradford issued a statement publicly rebuking certain young men who declined to work on December 25, "ye day called Christmas."

This first New England Christmas — or non-observance thereof — should not be credited as the first Christmas on American soil, since Leif Erikson spent a winter or two on the North American continent around the turn of the 11th century.

Leif was a Christian, and it is likely that members of his crew were Christians, too; although it is quite possible that some had accepted the faith without remodeling their pagan natures, since King Olaf's methods were ruthless and his command "Be baptized, or else!" left them little choice.

Undoubtedly, flagons of crude, raw wine fermented from the grapes of Leif's vinland were passed around and the celebration may have been rather boisterous, but in all fairness to Leif—who, according to excellent testimony, was a sincere convert—it is reasonable to assume that there was a trace of religious observance.

Perhaps Leif remembered the few words of Latin prayer he learned at the time of his conversion and recited them in honor of the birthday of the Redeemer he had accepted. . . . Thus, the first Christmas in America was observed.

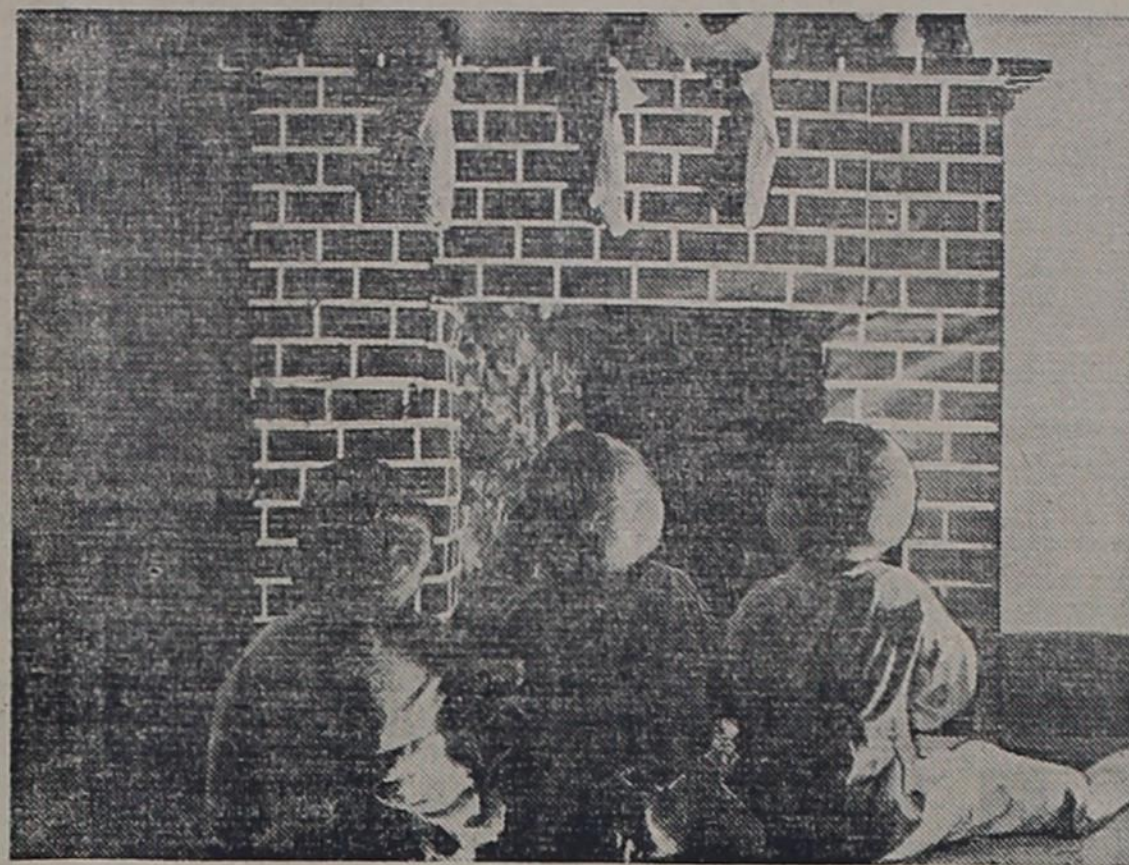
of the original town of Farwell, Parmer County, Texas, and on such date, the defendants unlawfully ejected him to his damage in the sum of \$1.00 and that the reasonable rental value of said land is \$10.00 per year, and plaintiff also fully pleads the ten-year statute of limitations, and prays for title and possession of said land as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this process, shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Farwell, Texas, this 30 day of November A. D. 1949.

Attest:
LOYDE A. BREWER, Clerk,
District Court, Parmer County,
Texas.
By: Rosa Lee Tabor, Deputy
(SEAL)

TRIBUNE ADS BRING HOME THE BACON



HOPE THAT SUSTAINS THE WORLD . . . If there is anything more touching and inspiring than the sight of a little boy or girl waiting patiently for the arrival of his beloved Santa Claus, the world has yet to produce it. With boundless hope, after hanging up his stocking, he finally goes to bed, knowing as surely as he knows his own mother and father, that the Giftbringer will have been there when he awakens.

Tech Now Has Deed To Pan-Tex Plant

LUBBOCK—Formal transfer of 17,000 acres and 433 buildings on the former Pan-Tex ordnance plant area near Amarillo has been made to Texas Technological college by the General Services Administration. The property is valued at \$23,000,000.

The GSA—successor to the War Assets Administration—turned a deed for the wartime property over to Charles C. Thompson, Colorado City, Chairman of Tech's board of directors.

Tech has been operating the Pan-Tex farm since an interim agreement was reached with the GSA last April. The transfer is classed as an educational grant and will cost the college nothing.

Dean W. L. Stangel said the farm will continue to be used as an agriculture experiment station on a self-sustaining basis. Current experimental projects include one on wheat poisoning made in cooperation with Texas A. and M., and another on eradication of the bindweed.

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GLOVER'S SHOP

Bovina, Texas

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Merry Christmas

Now that the Yuletide Season is here again, we find ourselves eager to express to you our good wishes for a Christmas long to be remembered in years to come as the most enjoyable of them all.



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Cartoons Forecast For English Departments

AUSTIN—Cartoons in English class are a prospect for both Texas high school students and University of Texas freshmen.

Attractive, colored, Disney-type filmstrips are in preparation at the University Extension Division's Visual Instruction Bureau. The strips will illustrate phases of theme writing, grammar, diagramming, sentence structure, punctuation and spelling.

English Professor Joseph Jones first experimented with the visual

aids in 1945 under a University Research Council appropriation.

After art work on the strips is completed early in 1950, they will be available to Texas schools through the University of Texas Extension Division.

TO CORRECT SOILS

Trace elements—zinc, copper, manganese and boron—may be applied to the soil or sprayed on plants when needed to correct nutritional disturbances. Because only a small quantity of these elements are needed, many folks overlook their importance when it comes to plant growth.



UNIVERSAL FRIEND . . . Santa, the universal friend of little folks, has managed to gather together a group of kiddies from all over the world. Represented here are the small fry of Paraguay, Greece, Poland, Austria and Italy.

Christmas of 1804 Was Chicago's Best

Surely there will never be another Christmas celebration like the one in Chicago in 1804.

Captain John Whistler (grandfather of the painter who painted the famous "Whistler's Mother") was in command of the garrison at Fort Dearborn and he decided that there should be a great feast—complete with music, dancing and a splendid Christmas tree.

Soldiers from the garrison went a-hunting in the woods just north of the river and came back with a fat buck deer, some rabbits, a raccoon or two, a few wild turkeys. Added to the roasted pig (contributed by some festive-minded citizen) and the magnificent Christmas pudding, these morsels provided abundance for all. Everybody—the civilians and the military—drank a toast to Thomas Jefferson, the President of the United States.

The punch was "dizzy" and there were fifes and drums and a couple of fiddles to play for the dancing.

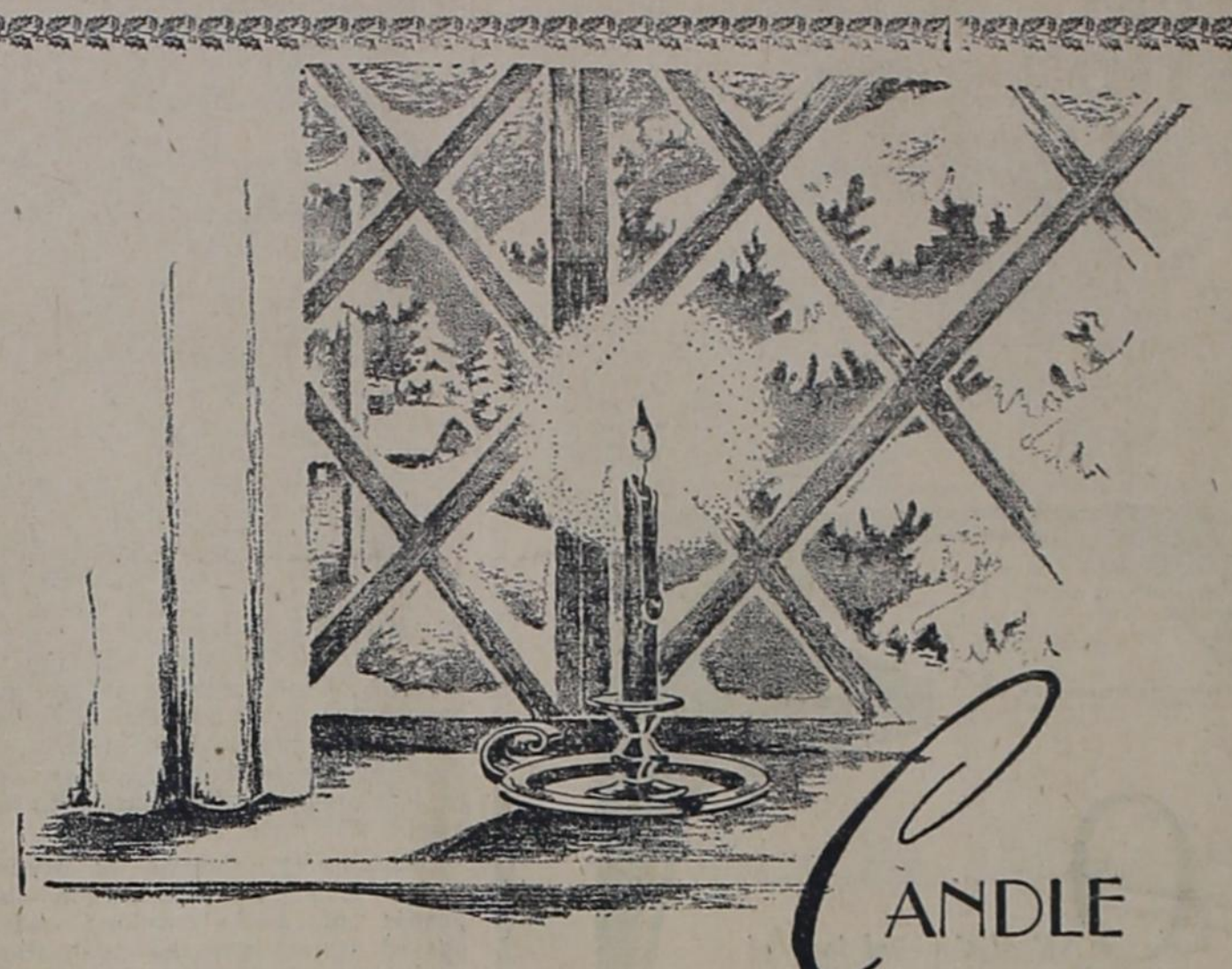
It was getting late when a watcher in one of the blockhouses gave a warning shout that Indians were approaching; but they turned out to be friendly Indians who came bearing gifts to the feast. They watched the white folks dance, and when the whites were exhausted, the redskins took the floor and began a wild, whooping dance of their own which climaxed Chicago's unique Christmas celebration in 1804.



CHRISTMAS At Its Best

The full enjoyment of the Christmas Season comes only from the pleasant associations of loved ones and friends. Our wish for you is that you may experience this blessing. Our sincere thanks, too, for your kindness and regard. We wish you all the richest things that life affords.

Gaines Hardware Company
Bovina, Texas



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happy smiling faces,
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All these signs of Christmas
mean its time to say

SEASON'S GREETINGS
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NOW THAT IT'S ABOUT OVER



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LOADS OF GOOD WISHES

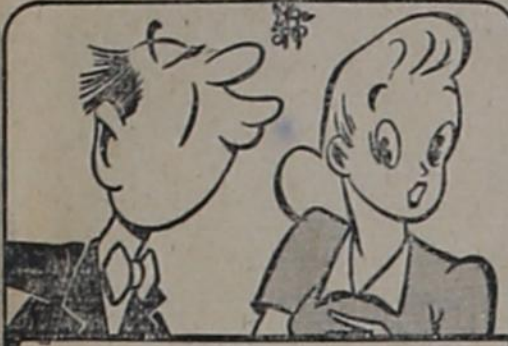
May the Holiday Season bring to you all the pleasant moments so necessary for a Joyful Christmas



Charles Oil Company

Phillips Products—Wholesale & Retail
Bovina, Texas

QUESTIONS ON CHRISTMAS



1. The Swedes know kissing is fun. That's why they thought of the Christmas mistletoe. What should be done to the mistletoe for each stolen kiss? (a) remove a berry (b) do nothing (c) take off a leaf.



2. We ought to know the names of the Three Wise Men who were the first givers of Christmas gifts. They were Melchior, Balthazar and (a) Samuel (b) Casper (c) Shadrach?



3. Everyone likes to get lots of Christmas cards. When did the custom of sending them start? (a) about 1845 (b) about 1781 (c) about 1903.



4. Who first had the idea of building a small replica of a manger for the Christmas ceremony? (a) Pope Gregory (b) Piers Plowman (c) St. Francis of Assisi.



5. The Christmas tree is the heart of our Christmas decorations. Which country first used the tree as a part of holiday observance? (a) Germany (b) Norway (c) France.



6. "Silent Night, Holy Night," one of the most beloved of Christmas hymns, was written by (a) Beethoven (b) Father Joseph Mohr (c) Martin Luther?

ANSWERS
1. (a) Remove a berry. It's a small price for a kiss.
2. (a) Samuel
3. (a) about 1845. W. C. Dillson, an English artist, probably sent the first card.
4. (a) Pope Gregory
5. (a) Germany
6. (b) Father Joseph Mohr wrote the hymn in German and sang it in a little church near Salzburg.

Finns See Evergreen As Mourning Symbol

Evergreens are never used as decorations in the homes and churches of Finland because the Finns regard them as symbols of mourning.

At Christmas most homes where there are children suspend a "heaven" from the living room or dining room ceiling. Such "heavens" consist of a cord framework covered with straw and different colors of paper ribbon, etc., and decorated with paper stars and silhouettes cut in various designs. The effect, when reflecting the fire-light and the candles' glow, is mysterious and fascinating.

Candles are used profusely in the churches; the alters are banked and the windows are filled with them, so that in the pre-dawn darkness (Christmas morning services begin at 6 A.M.) the churches

beckon approaching worshippers like brilliant lanterns.

After the early church services, the gayly decorated sleds race for home, bright robes flying and sleigh bells a-jingling. Breakfast is festive, and then everyone takes a long nap. Christmas Day is not devoted to play or gift-giving; it is religiously observed, with intervals of carol singing and Bible readings.

The day after Christmas is St. Stephen's day, and from then until New Year's parties and general festivity are in order. Although gift-giving is not an integral part of the observances, in some parts of Finland trinkets and useful gifts of wearing apparel are presented to children by Wainamoinen, the Kalevala hero of Finnish legend.

Legend relates that the crown of thorns which was placed on the head of Jesus was made of holly and that before the crucifixion the berries were white, but turned crimson like drops of blood.



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Bovina, Texas



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ON REPAIRING LEATHER

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THREE CHEESE RULES

Three cheese rules: go easy on the heat when melting it; add it to other ingredients in small bits rather than in a large piece; and blend cheese in a smooth sauce before adding to other ingredients, preventing curdling.

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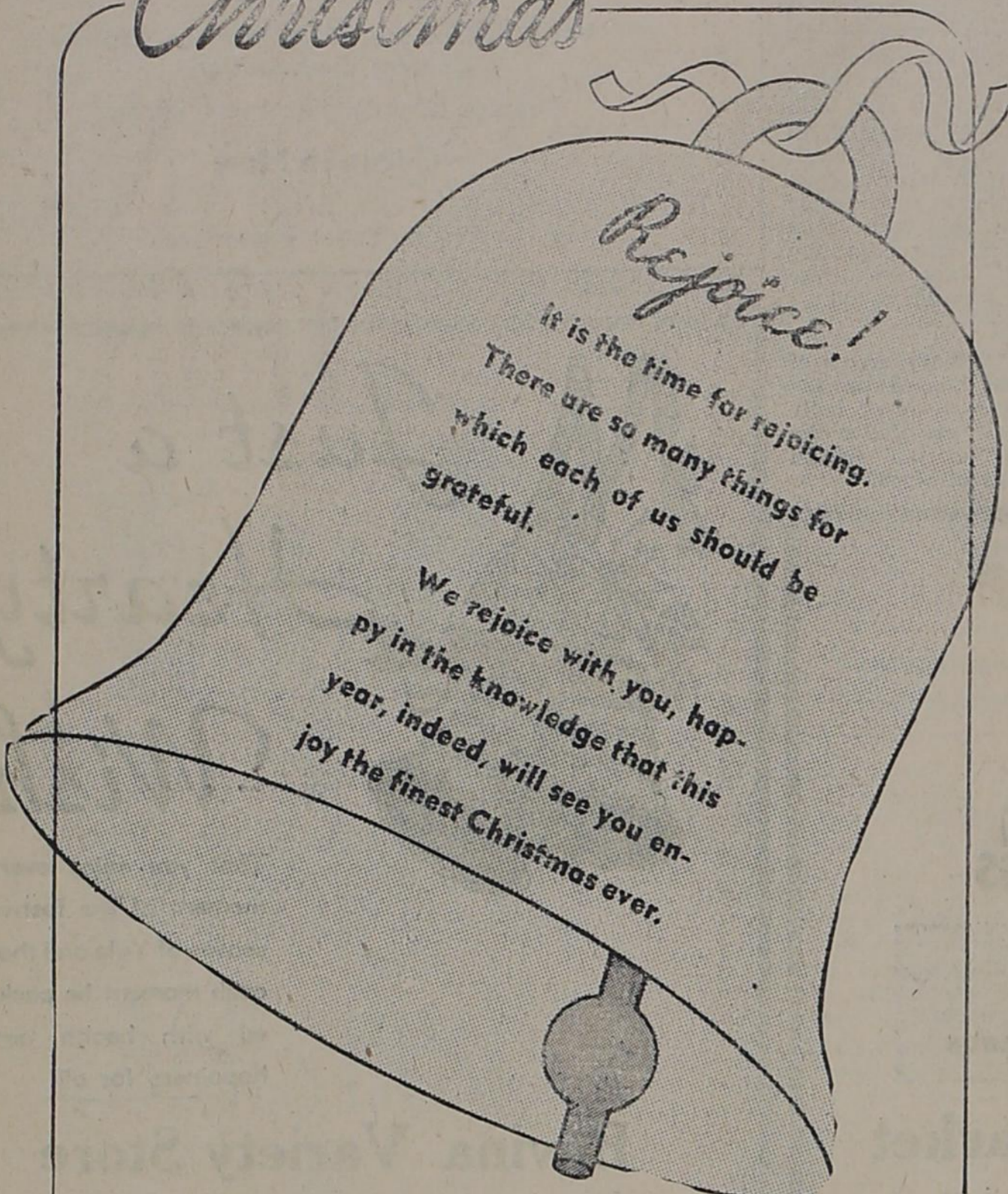


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SEND YOUR FRIEND THE TRIBUNE FOR XMAS

Christmas



Rejoice!
 It is the time for rejoicing,
 There are so many things for
 which each of us should be
 grateful.
 We rejoice with you, hap-
 py in the knowledge that this
 year, indeed, will see you en-
 joy the finest Christmas ever.

Greetings

Triplett-Pringle Company
 Bovina, Texas

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
 THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: William H. Rose, Mrs. William H. Rose, Eugene L. Swenson, Mrs. Eugene L. Swenson, Ira M. Cobe, Mrs. Ira M. Cobe, G. W. Barcus, Mrs. G. W. Barcus, Grayson M. P. Murphy, Mrs. Grayson M. P. Murphy, William S. Hood, Mrs. William S. Hood, Benjamin B. Putman, Mrs. Benjamin B. Putman, The Western Lands and Immigration Co., a corporation, Charles H. Wilcox, Mrs. Jennie V. Wilcox, C. T. Dycus, and Ella Dycus, W. W. Stroud and V. P. Stroud, J. C. Bell, Louise Bell, C. P. Scott and Julia M. Scott, Curtis Montgomery and Francis Montgomery, Courtland P. Scott, Mrs. Courtland P. Scott, the unknown stockholders of Western Land and Immigration Co., a corporation, the unknown heirs of J. L. Osborn, deceased, and the unknown heirs of J. M. McCuan, deceased, and the unknown heirs, assigns, and legal representatives of all of the aforesaid defendants, greeting:

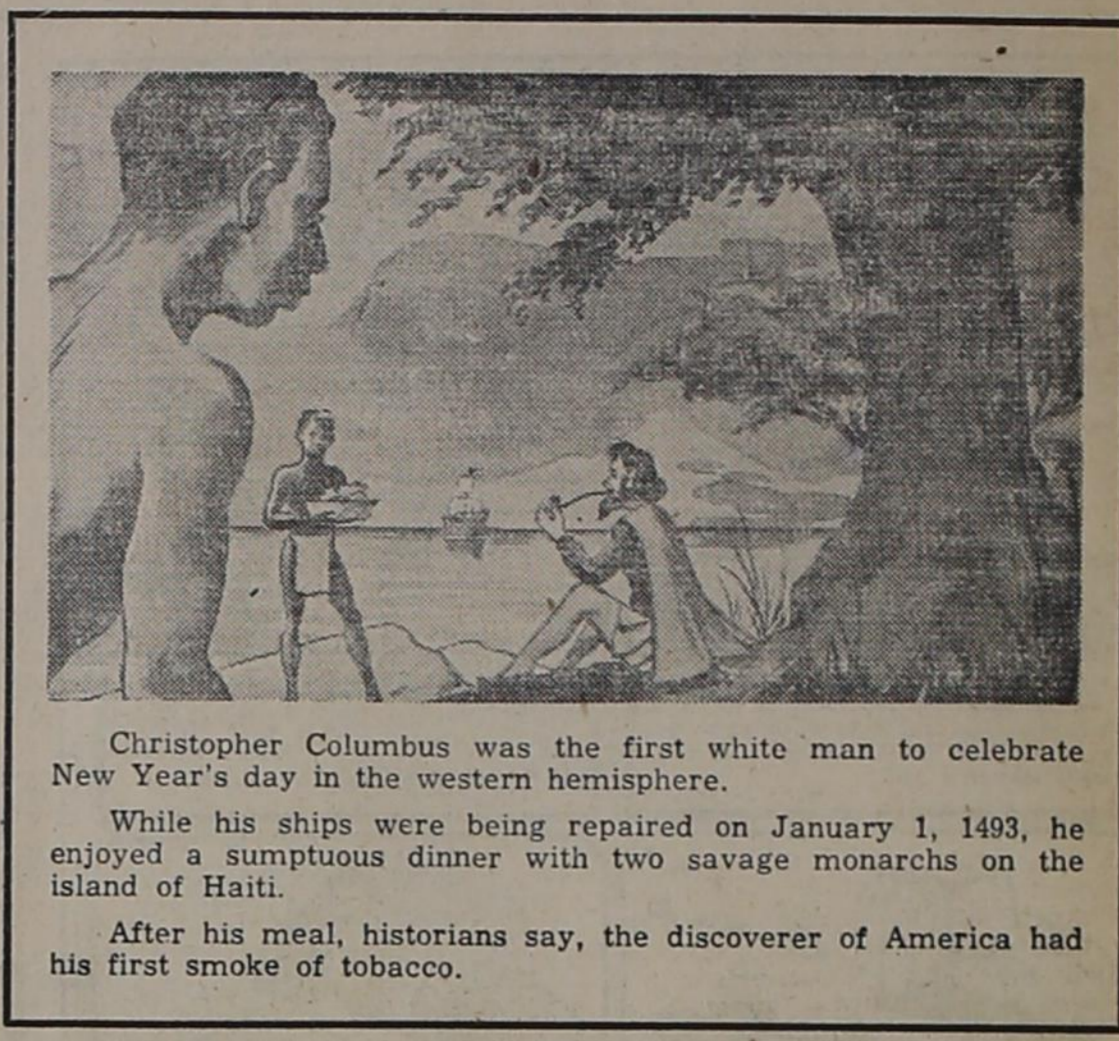
You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable District Court of Farmer County at the Court House thereof, in Farwell, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being, the 16th day of January A. D. 1950, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court on the 3rd day of December A. D. 1949, in this cause, numbered 1495 on the docket of said court and styled Elvira L. Osborn, individually and as Independent Executor of the estate of H. W. Osborn, deceased, Plaintiff, vs. William H. Rose, et al, Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Plaintiff brings suit in trespass to try title alleging that on November 1, 1949, she was and still is the owner in fee simple of all of the following lands in Farmer County, Texas: N 1/2 of SE 1/4 of Section 12, Syndicate Block A, NE 1/4 of Section 26, Syndicate Block B, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, Block 5, Robinson Addition to the original town of Farwell, and SE 1/4 of Section 8, Twp. 16 South.

That on such date the defendants unlawfully entered upon said lands and ejected plaintiff and withhold from her the possession thereof to her damage in the sum of ten dollars. Plaintiff also fully pleads the five and ten year statute of limitations, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit. The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Farwell, Texas, this 5th day of December, A. D. 1949.

Attest:
 LOYDE A. BREWER, Clerk,
 District Court, Farmer County
 Texas. (SEAL) 8-4tc



Christopher Columbus was the first white man to celebrate New Year's day in the western hemisphere. While his ships were being repaired on January 1, 1493, he enjoyed a sumptuous dinner with two savage monarchs on the island of Haiti. After his meal, historians say, the discoverer of America had his first smoke of tobacco.

Here's What We Mean-

When we say, "MERRY CHRISTMAS," we mean that in addition to expressing our greetings of the season, we also acknowledge the courtesies extended to us by the many friends of this organization.



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IT'S TIME once more to tell those swell folks, our customers, how much their patronage has meant to us in the past, how their friendliness to us has made serving them worthwhile, and how we wish them the Biggest, Happiest, and Merriest CHRISTMAS ever.

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Greetings of the Season

We wish for you every happiness that you may enjoy fully The Season of good cheer.

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 Bovina, Texas

LEGAL NOTICES

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
 THE STATE OF TEXAS
 TO: J. N. Janes, Mrs. J. N. Janes, J. O. Janes, Mrs. J. O. Janes, J. B. Janes and Mrs. J. B. Janes, Eugene L. Swenson, Mrs. Eugene L. Swenson, Charles A. Ahlstrant, and the unknown heirs, assigns, and legal representatives of all the aforesaid defendants, greeting:
 You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable District Court of Parmer County at the Court House thereof, in Farwell, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 16th day of January A. D. 1950, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 1st day of December A. D. 1949, in this cause, numbered 1494 on the docket of said court and styled T. G. Hudson, Plaintiff, vs. J. N. Janes, et al, defendants.
 A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit:
 Plaintiff brings suit in trespass to try title alleging that on November 1, 1949, he was the owner in fee simple and in possession of Lots 17 and 18, Block 2, of the original town of Bovina, Parmer County, Texas, and on such date the defendants unlawfully entered upon said lands and ejected plaintiff and withhold from him the possession thereof to his damage in the sum of ten dollars, and

plaintiff also pleads the five and ten year statute of limitations as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.
 The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.
 Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Farwell, Texas, this 1st day of December A. D. 1949.

Attest:
 LOYDE A. BREWER, Clerk,
 District Court, Parmer County,
 Texas.

(SEAL) 8-4tc.

FEATURE WRITING

AUSTIN—The techniques of feature writing and the application of those techniques for those interested in selling non-fiction articles and pictures to magazines and newspapers are given in a new textbook by Dr. DeWitt C. Reddick, University of Texas journalism professor.

It is called Modern Feature Writing and is written in an easy-to-read style with many stories and illustrations taken from the author's 20 years of experience in practicing and teaching feature writing. It was published by Harper and Brothers, New York.



WITCHING HOUR . . . All across the land, as the hands of the clock approach midnight on Saturday, December 31, young ladies—and other people, too—will be pointing out the time and saying, "Look, it's almost 1950." They probably won't be wearing swim suits, however.

*Time Not Constant
 In the Celebrations
 Of Christ's Nativity*

While December is now the month in which Christ's birthday is celebrated by Christians all over the world, research and study show that Christ's nativity has been celebrated in January, March, April, May, September and October by various peoples.

And although few people know it, it was for the purpose of substituting a Christian festival for pagan ones of Romans and Druids that celebrations of Christmas in December were popularized.

No historian pretends to fix the actual date of Christ's birth or the date at which Christmas became a general festival.

About all that is known is that during the fourth century the feast of the Nativity was observed in all western world churches at different dates.

The confusion resulting from celebrations in seven months of the year caused the western church authorities to meet in 340 to set a definite date for the celebration. The eastern churches did not cooperate until the sixth century when December 25 was set as the day to be observed.


The question has arisen innumerable times as to why December was selected as the month for rejoicing. The answer is that this month was chosen in order that a Christian festival could compete with those of the pagans, because December was noted for its feasts and holidays in nearly every civilized land.

Greeks, Romans, Saxons and Scandinavians all took part in the celebration of these festivals which had originated before the birth of Christ.

From the Saxons came the ceremony of burning the Yule log. The Saxons burned great bonfires in honor of their god Thor. From the Romans came the giving of presents, for this custom has been traced to the Roman Saturnalia.

It may seem strange to claim that the pagan riotousness might be the forebear of the Christian holiday of goodness and love, but intermingled with that which was objectionable, were things that have gone straight to the hearts of people throughout the Christian world.

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Clovis, N. M.



Christmas
GREETINGS

to all of you whom we have been of service in the past.

Paul Jones

SERVICE STATION

Bovina, Texas

HOME IS THE HEART OF ACCIDENT PROBLEM

CHICAGO—Home is where the heart is—and where the heart of the accident problem is, too.

According to the 1949 edition of "Accident Facts", statistical yearbook of the National Safety Council, there were 35,000 home accident deaths in 1948—which makes the home America's No. 1 accidental killer.

Falls were the greatest cause of home deaths last year, resulting in 18,200 fatalities. Burns, scalds, and

explosions came next, with a total of 6,000 deaths. Mechanical suffocation caused 1,800 deaths, to rank third in 1948.

Special studies show that more than 25 per cent of fatal home accidents occur in the bedroom. The yard and kitchen are the next most hazardous locations at home, causing about 12 and 10 per cent of the deaths respectively.

Venom of the Black Widow Spider is 15 times as potent as that of the rattlesnake.



IT is time for all of us to pause for a moment or two, that we may exchange friendly Christmas Greetings and to wish all the good folk in this community a Christmas of good cheer.

To these greetings, we wish to add our sincere appreciation to each of you for your kind consideration and your courtesies in the past.

Venable & Combs

Bovina, Texas



OF BETHLEHEM HAS INSPIRED MANKIND FOR CENTURIES. ITS GLORIOUS SCENES LIVE AGAIN ON THIS YEAR'S RELIGIOUS CHRISTMAS CARDS WITH THEIR REVERENT SENTIMENTS ---

AGAIN HAS COME THE SEASON OF THE BLESSED SAVIOUR'S BIRTH, WHEN PEACE AND LOVE AND KINDNESS ENCIRCLE ALL THE EARTH



THE ANGEL ANNOUNCES "TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY" TO THE SHEPHERDS



THE RADIANT STAR OF THE EAST LEADS THE WISE MEN



THEY OFFER ROYAL GIFTS OF GOLD, FRANKINCENSE, AND MYRRH



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Horseradish and steak—a grand duet. Just add a little of this relish to the meat gravy right before serving time for unusually savory results.

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Cheese Souffle

4 tablespoons butter or margarine,
4 tablespoons flour
1½ cups milk
1 teaspoon salt
Dash of cayenne
½ lb. Old English or American cheese, sliced
6 eggs
Make a sauce with the butter or margarine, flour, milk and seasonings. When thickened and smooth remove from heat and add the sliced cheese. Stir until cheese is melted.

Add beaten egg yolks, mix well. Cool slightly, then pour slowly onto stiffly beaten whites of eggs, cutting and folding thoroughly together. Pour into a 2-quart casserole (this size is necessary for proper expansion) and bake 1½ hours in slow oven, 300 degrees F. Serve at once.

Complete Menu

- Cheese Souffle
- Broiled Tomatoes
- Buttered Broccoli
- Beet and Onion Salad
- Whole Wheat Muffins, Butter or Oleo
- Baked Pears
- Coffee - Milk



To thank you as we would like to is far beyond us. For if we had no friends like you there would be no firm like ours.

Our sincere thanks for the association and patronage with which we have been favored.

Kimbrow Drug Store

Bovina, Texas



IT'S an old and happy custom
But, it warms our heart
to wish each of you a

Merry Christmas

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Bovina, Texas



FOR many years it has been our privilege to extend Season's Greetings to the multitude of friends and customers who have favored us with their patronage in the past.

We welcome this traditional custom — it gives us an opportunity to express our sentiments — to renew our pledge made years ago that our standard of service would be maintained on the highest level possible.

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A Welcome Custom



A Jolly Good Christmas

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