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WE SEND OUT GREETINGS TO FRIENDS FAR AND NEAR - AND A PRAYER
FOR YOUR HAPPINESS DURING THE COMING YEAR...



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Do You Remember?...

December 23, 1938

Santa conferred with the weather man Wednesday night and the negotiations resulted in a long needed gift for the Cross Plains trade territory. The moisture began falling early Wednesday night and continued intermittently Thursday.

Cross Plains and Cross Cut monopolized honors of the latter's invitational basketball tournament last week end. Cross Plains boys defeated Cross Cut in the finals of the masculine division, and the Cross Plains sextet was victorious over Cross Cut girls 26 to 20 for the feminine diadem.

Funeral services were held at Mullin Monday afternoon for Mrs. J. B. Renfro, 63, who died at her home there Sunday night at 11 o'clock after an illness of one week. Services were conducted from the Baptist church and interment was made in the Mullin Cemetery. Mrs. Renfro was the mother of Mrs. M. B. King of Cross Plains, who was at the bedside when the end came.

Due to the fact that Christmas falls on Sunday, most Cross Plains

business concerns will be closed Monday in observance of the holiday.

Relatives, friends and neighbors converged on the J. S. Gafford home at Cottonwood Sunday and honored the beloved couple on the occasion of their golden wedding anniversary. A high spot of the day was a banquet luncheon at noon time.

Mrs. Paul Brashear, recent bride, formerly Miss Lena Helen Ray, was honored with a miscellaneous shower in the home of Mrs. W. E. Fuiret Wednesday afternoon. Scranton news.

Mr. and Mrs. Pender Mitchell and Betty Lou of California are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Thompson and Mrs. J. D. Mitchell. Cottonwood news.

Mrs. Earl Webb was guest of honor when she was complimented with a miscellaneous shower at the home of Mrs. Robert Cunningham Wednesday afternoon of last week.

Miss Juanita Vestal was hostess when she entertained members of the Deque Phaux Club with two tables of contract bridge at her

home Monday night.

F. R. Anderson, James Cross, and C. R. Cook were Gorman visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Clark of Lancaster spent Sunday here visiting friends and relatives.

Miss Yrma Sudderth, who is in training at Central Hospital, Brownwood, visited homefolks the first of the week. Cottonwood news.

December 24, 1943

A semi-annual dividend of five per cent was voted Tuesday by directors of the Citizens State Bank to be paid to all stockholders.

R. L. (Bob) Young, who lives three miles north of town, lost a finger in an accident at his home Monday. He was sawing wood with a power saw when the index finger of his right hand inadvertently slipped into the blade, shearing it

off just below the knuckle.

Miss Marjorie Helms of Odessa, formerly of this city, arrived here the past week to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends.

R. C. Warren, who has been in the Navy about ten months now serving as a radio man in the U. S. Naval Air Corps, stationed in Florida, visited relatives and friends here last week.

Mrs. Bill Weiler has returned to her home in Cross Plains after several days visit in Sterling City in the home of her son, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Odem and daughter, Sandra Gail.

Misses Mildred and Betty Browning, who are students in Texas State College for Women in Denton, are spending the yuletide holidays with their mother, Mrs. John Browning, and other relatives and

friends.

Pvt. Robert Henry Cross was buried in the Burkett Cemetery Tuesday. He is the son of Mrs. Leona Cross of Coleman and is related to a number of people in this community. He was killed in a plane crash on Tuesday, Dec. 14, near Council Bluffs, Iowa. Burkett news.

The following boys registered in November, 1943. The law requires boys as they reach their 18th birthday to register. Marvin Paul Rister, Thomas Rondal Young, Wesley Turner Richardson, James Wilford Maness, Raymond Chester Tenneson, Clarence Owen Smedley, Eldon Billie Bowen, Gerald Dugan, William Travis Henry, Everett Neil Strahan and Eryle Claude Ferguson.

The annual Christmas social of the Fidelis Matrons Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church was held in the home of Mrs. C.

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E. Poe Tuesday evening, Dec. 21, from 7:30 until 10 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Childers, who reside west of Cross Plains, announce the birth of a son, born on Wednesday, Dec. 8, in a Baird hospital.

The community enjoyed a get-together and luncheon at the school house recently. The occasion was in honor of Tuff Hutchins, who is on furlough from Camp Berkeley, Calif. Atwell news.

Mrs. V. C. Montgomery of this city underwent a major operation in a Coleman hospital recently. She was returned to her home here last week and friends will be gratified to learn that she is recovering satisfactorily.

Typewriter Ribbons. The Review

Thursday, December 23

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a little doll
a ballerina doll.
Love,
Regina

Dear Santa:
I have been a good girl so
bring me a doll and a train
Bring some toys for my brother
Thank you,
Debra Lynn Dill

Dear Santa:
For Christmas I want an
train and a toy rifle.
Your friend,
Richard Wilson

Dear Santa:
For Christmas I would like
you to bring me a bicycle
tiny tear doll. Thank you,
Kathy Nizer



CAROLING FORTH
OUR SEASON'S GREETING
OF FONDEST WISHES
THAT YOURS WILL BE
A LOVELY CHRISTMAS!

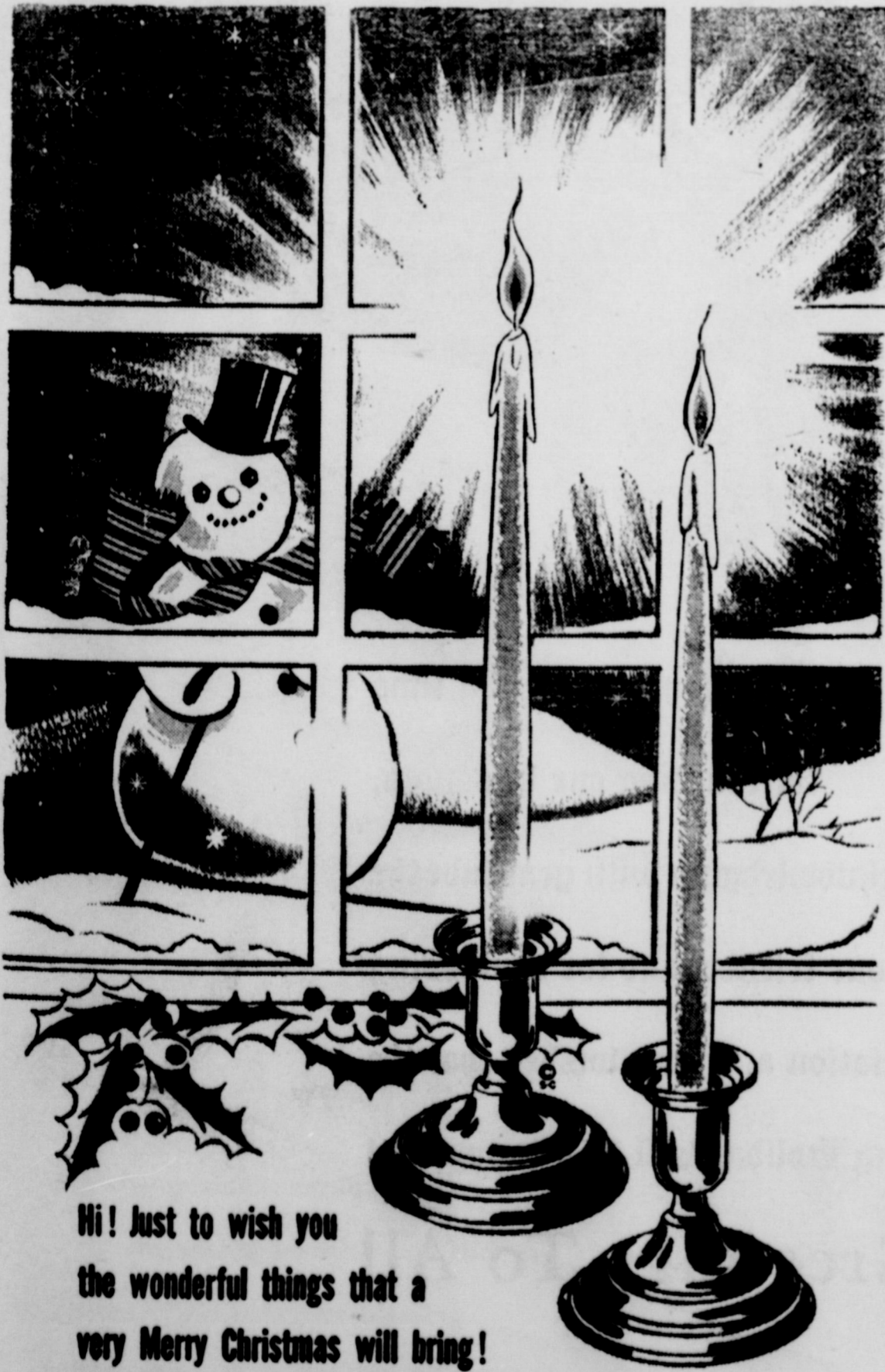
Worthy Grocery & Station

HIGGINBOTHAM'S



Old St. Nick will soon be coming down your chimney and we'd like to "present" you with our best wishes for a joyful holiday!

MAYES LUMBER CO.
CLAUDE MAYES, Owner



Hi! Just to wish you the wonderful things that a very Merry Christmas will bring!

JOYOUS HOLIDAY GREETINGS

HORNSBY ELECTRIC CO.

Dear Santa:
I am a good little boy 3 years old. Please bring me a car I can ride in, a toy guitar and a scale model car.

Thank you Santa,
Roy Dwayne Merrill

Dear Santa:
I have been good all year so you would come to see me. Will you please bring me a bride doll, iron, train case with make up? I am 5 years old.

I love you Santa,
Norma Jean Merrill

Dear Santa:
I tried all year to be a good boy but sometimes I nearly gave up. Now I'm glad I didn't. Would you please bring me a '58 scale model car and a football and basketball and goal? I'm 8 years old.

Thank you Santa,
Robert Glen Merrill

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a big Doll and a pair of skates for Christmas. I also want a record player too.

Carolyn

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a doll and a camera, a basketball with a goal with it. I want a baton for Christmas, and a bicycle with a basket on it.

Your friend
Dianne Petty

Dear Santa:
For Christmas I would like a 22 with a telescope and I would like a 20 gauge that holds three shells and I would like a bicycle and an electric train.

Thanks,
Randy Montgomery

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a pair of toy guns, and a pair of boots and a scout knife.

A friend,
Johnny Cowan

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a pair of Roy Roger Guns for Christmas and a knife with a holster and I want a wagon, I want it red, too.

Larry Dreeman

Dear Santa:
Santa would you please bring me a BB pistol. It has some BBs with it and it has some pellets with it. It shoots pellets and BBs too. That is all I want.

Your friend,
Darryl

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like some bicycle tires and a pogo stick. Also please bring me a dish set, and a Ruff and Ready set, and bring me some nuts.

Love,
Vickie.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a doll, a gold baton, and a basketball. I want a teen age doll with six dresses with it and I want a baton two feet long with rubber knobs. I want a basketball with my name printed on it in gold glitter. I want all these things for Christmas.

Your friend,
Jessie Mairlyn Foster

Dear Santa:
Would you please bring me a pellet gun and a bicycle and an electric train for Christmas.

Thanks,
Jerry M.

Dear Santa:
I want you to bring me a bicycle. Santa I want a machine gun also and an electric football set and I want a BB rifle with a scope and I want a hunting knife.

Allen Lovell

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a pair of Roy Roger guns for Christmas and remember everyone else.

A friend,
C. J. Coener

Dear Santa Claus:
If you can, Santa Claus, I want you to bring me a big bride doll. I hope you can bring me a big bride doll for Christmas. You are a very good man, Santa Claus. I love you, Santa Claus, and you are very sweet, Santa Claus.

Love, your friend,
Edith.

Dear Santa:
I want a Shirley Temple doll. Merry Christmas, Santa Claus. I hope you are feeling fine.

Your friend,
Rosalea Grider.

Dear Santa Claus:
I wish you would bring me a car and I wish you would bring me a BB gun. I would also like a red wagon.

Your friend,
Randel Dickey.

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like a 21-inch bride doll. Please bring me a basketball, also I would like a baton. I want a bill-fold, too.

Love,
Sue Walker.

Dear Santa:
I want some guns, a baseball set, a football set, an electric train. I also want some toys and I want a bike.

Your friend,
Milke Fritchlee.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me an electric train and I want a hydraulic truck, and bring me a watch.

Your friend,
Lanny Kellar.

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like a fishing knife and a rocket and a car, that's all I can have, so until next Christmas, goodbye.

Your friend,
Richard Dale Hunt.



Come All Ye Faithful

... COME LET US ADORE HIM THIS DAY

REMEMBERING THE TRUE AND LASTING

MEANING OF THIS HOLY CHRISTMAS SEASON.

MAY YOU FIND THE BLESSINGS YOU SEEK!

HAPPY HOLIDAY TO ALL

Bryan Variety Store

LLOYD AND MOZELLE



Merry Christmas

This olden greeting, we send to you,

For its meaning to all rings ever-true...

And so sincerely we mean what we say,

We will repeat-have a Happy Holiday!

DAVE LEE
GULF SERVICE STATION

Dear Santa Claus:
I have been very nice and would you bring me a doll buggy and bring me a doll with a mother and brother and a daughter? Would you bring my mother some clothes and my father some clothes. Also bring my sister some games.
Ioma Jean Falkner

Dear Santa:
Please, Santa for Christmas, I would like to have a machine gun, a football and a football suit, a BB gun, and I want a Rin-Tin-Tin set and I want a truck with a cannon.
Thanks,
Vern Webb

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a girl's bicycle. Would you bring me a doll and doll buggy? Would you please bring me some doll clothes? Would you please bring me a playhouse? I would like a doll bed too.
Love,
Jean Falkner

Dear Santa:
Brother told me you are the man I was scared of in Abilene the other day, but since I am only 1 1/2 years old, I didn't know who you were and I'm sorry I cried.
I need a new doll and doll buggy, also I like to dance. Mother thinks I would like a little piano.
I get mother into trouble sometimes by using the big phone so if you would bring me a little one it would make the neighbors happy, too.
With love,
Cindy Kinnard

Dear Santa:
I hope you are fine and can visit all the boys and girls this Christmas. I am trying to be a good boy. Would you please bring me a train I can push on a track, a game and some guns and scabbard with bullets to shoot.
Your friend,
Jim Whitton

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Dear Santa Claus:
I have been a real good girl. Please bring me a doll with sweater and cap, a doll bed with mattress, some dishes, and a sewing machine. Don't forget Deana, Jackie, Pamela, Carol, Rose Marie and Glenn. Don't forget any children this year, Santa.
Love,
Vickie Lynn Illingsworth

Dear Santa:
I have tried to be good but you know how hard it is for little boys to be good all time, so I hope you will remember Christmas Eve that I have tried and bring me a rifle, a Fort Apache set with cowboys and Indians, a station with 5 men and some cars that can break apart. Mother said to ask for some clothes but I told her you'll just rake toys up there so just forget the clothes.
Don't forget all my friends and the other children in town. Do you really have a jet plane now?
With love,
Clayton Kinnard

P. S. If I win that train at the City Drug Store I would be very happy.
Love,
Beth McCowen

Dear Santa:
For Christmas please bring me a rifle, and a truck with a steam shovel on it and also a dump truck.
Love,
Stuart Sowell

Dear Santa:
Please bring me an electric train, airport, a pair of guns, a football, a fire station, a truck and a bicycle for Christmas. Thank you.
A friend,
Jack Tunnell

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a missile truck and caterpillar with a truck to haul it in and a kicking tee and a pair of house shoes.
Love,
Landy Foster

Dear Santa:
I am 3 1/2 years old, and I have tried to be a good girl.
Please bring me a doll, table and chairs, some dishes, also some candy and nuts. Please remember my little brother, Ronald, and all the other little children.
Love,
Beth McCowen

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl four years old. I have been pretty good. Please bring me a doll with high heels, and electric iron and ironing board, a toy washing machine, and some little girls highheels. Please fill my stocking too.
Love,
Beverly Tatom

Dear Santa Claus:
I'm a little boy that is seven years old. I would like for you to bring me an electric train with a lot of track and an army tank and guns. I would like very much to have a pair of double hoistered guns with caps in the belt.
Your friend,
Junior Ford

Dear Santa:
I am four years old. I would like a doll, a pair of play highheels and a pair of skates.
I have a little baby sister and two sisters and a brother older. Please don't forget them and Santa please don't forget the poor children.
Love,
Mary Frances Strahan

Dear Santa:
I would like a doll, tumbling mats and a puppy. Please bring mother and daddy something. Don't forget the other children.
Your friend,
Cathy Gregg

Dear Santa:
For Christmas I would like to have a rifle, gun, and a truck and a car.
Thank you,
James May

Dear Santa:
I want a pair of shoes and four pairs of socks and I also want some blue jeans and a gun.
Love,
Rex Archer

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl five years old. I would like for you to bring me a bride doll and some dishes. I would also like to have a large red and white teddy bear and a hobby horse.
Your friend,
Kathy Ford

Dear Santa:
For Christmas I would like you to please bring me a Temple doll, and a set of dishes and some records, too.
Love,
Jan

Dear Santa Claus:
I had a nice Christmas wagon, thank you. I would like a truck, rocket set and a truck. Bring lots of candies and nuts.
I wish everyone a happy Christmas. Thank you.
Love,
J. S. Archer

Dear Santa Claus:
Thank you for the presents I received last year. I want a doll, a purple dress, a sewing kit, and a jewelry kit. Please remember my brother, Archer.
Love,
Sharon Archer

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



MERRY MERRY CHRISTMAS

May the gifts of health, wealth and happiness be yours!

Humble Service Station

SAM BALKUM, Agent

Merry Christmas

TO ALL OF OUR MANY, MANY GOOD FRIENDS



Christmas is a time for counting our blessings, for acknowledging with gratitude the loyalty of our friends, and for expressing appreciation and good wishes that the coming Holiday will be a happy one!

Season's Greetings To All

KIZER TELEPHONE CO., INC.



Peace on Earth

May the spirit of Christmas be with you always.

PRUET FLOWER SHOP

ESS US EVERY ONE"

blessed sentiments of dwell in these words of Good will is there, grati- the soulful sense of the of man, that divine selflessness which glows the Yuletide, though it smothered with ashes in of the year.

"one" allows no exception, the poor, the kind, the good, the bad—all are All do not deserve the equally, but all blessing, and in their several be touched and purified up, for the moment at a realization of the spiri- of life.

we are so unwise as to fail by cause for thankfulness, remember that it was the youth, who had no mes- sages at all, but a great precious soul, who pointed to the Christmas bless-

seven years old and I am first grade. I have been this year. I want a hat, a holster and stick horse. With love,
Victor V. Harris

TAX-MAN SAM SEZ:

The new card Form 1040A is a mighty tempting way to file an easy tax return for folks with less than \$10,000 gross income. A lot of taxpayers do not like to read tax instructions. However, reading the tax information booklet you get in the mail just after Santa Claus has visited you can prove mighty, mighty profitable. It will probably pay you to read the tax instruction booklet carefully before you decide on whether to file a simple Form 1040A, if you are eligible, or to use a regular Form 1040 and take the deductions that are allowed on the Form 1040 that cannot be taken on the 1040A.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a dump truck, a basketball, a jet airplane, a toy shotgun, some story books. I have been a nice boy so don't forget me and the other girls and boys
Don Scott

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl two years old. Please bring me a tricycle, telephone, a little ironing board and iron, a doll with highheels, and some little highheels for me. Don't forget to fill my stocking too.
Love,
Kim Tatom

Your Social Security

(Editor's note: This is the 4th in a series of 10 articles.)

Before the enactment of the 1958 amendments, an aged parent, however dependent, could never get benefit payments based on the earnings of a son or daughter if there was a surviving wife, dependent widower, or child who was entitled or who could later become entitled to payments. This restriction applied even in cases where those survivors never actually became beneficiaries.

I recall, in particular, a case where an insured worker died leaving a widow who was no longer living with him at the time of his death. His other survivor was an aged mother who was keeping house for him and dependent on him for her means of livelihood. His death left her destitute. A monthly social security check as a surviving, dependent parent would have prevented this situation. She could not qualify as a beneficiary, however, because the estranged wife was also a survivor. Under the law, as amended, this parent would also be eligible for survivor's bene-

Dear Santa:
I am five years old. I will start to school next year. I have been a good boy. I want a hat, a ball and a gun and holster set.
With love,
Brad Harris

fit payments. An estimated 90,000 aged, dependent parents can now apply for survivor's benefits under this new provision in the law.

Since an application must be filed before benefits can be paid, persons receiving disability insurance benefits, and who have eligible dependents, should contact their district office. Parents of deceased workers who were financially dependent on the deceased son or daughter should also contact the social security office. The district office serving this area is located at 203 Fannin, Abilene, Texas.

In my next article I shall discuss other changes in the law which affect dependents of retired or insured workers. (For more complete information, ask your Social Security Office, 203 Fannin, Box 5168, Abilene, Texas, for free booklets on the 1958 amendments.)

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy and I want a BB gun for Christmas and some BBs with it. I also want a cork gun.
Thanks,
Troy Ray Watson

FIRST CHRISTMAS TREE

Many countries have their popular legends claiming for them the honor of having given the Christmas tree to the world. One tale bestows the distinction on Martin Luther.

Traveling alone one Christmas Eve through snowcovered country, the sky filled with thousands of glittering stars, the reformer was so impressed that, on arriving home, he tried to explain his feelings to his family.

Suddenly an idea suggested itself to him. Going into the garden, he cut down a little fir tree, dragged it into the nursery, put some candles on it, and lighted them. A popular engraving represents Martin Luther sitting in the bosom of his family with a lighted Christmas tree.

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy and I want a BB gun for Christmas and some BBs with it. I also want a cork gun.
Thanks,
Troy Ray Watson

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Qualified Young Men May Enlist in Army's Elite Pentomic Units

Qualified young men may now enlist for duty in Europe with one of two elite U. S. Army pentomic units through a special U. S. Army enlistment option, M/Sgt. Frank E. Lockman announced today.

Enlistments are being accepted for the 2nd Battle Group, 4th Infantry, and the 2nd Reconnaissance Squadron, 7th Cavalry. Both are elements of the 3rd Infantry Division.

The division is organized according to the pentomic concept which stresses greater maneuverability and increased firepower through utilization of the most up-to-date methods and weapons.

This enlistment option is open to prior service personnel and young men without prior military service who qualify. Enlistees will receive basic and advanced training before joining their units in Europe.

M/Sgt. Lockman pointed out that this special enlistment option is open for "buddy enlistments," whereby a young man may enter the army

with his buddies for the same unit and overseas assignment.

He also explained that young men enlisting for one of the units will become a member of the famed 3rd Infantry Division, one of the most decorated divisions in the U. S. Army. The 3rd, or "Rock of the Marine" Division, is the only American Division to have fought the Nazi on all fronts during World War II. The division has earned more than 10 distinguished unit citations.

Further information on this choice, not chance, enlistment may be obtained from M/Sgt. Lockman at Post Office, Cross Plains, each Monday and Friday from 10 a. m. to 1 p. m.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good boy so please bring me a boat and dump truck, a boat and convertible, a boat and road grader. Santa don't forget the boat. Don't forget the other little toys and girls.

Love,
James Robert Illingsworth

They err who think Santa comes down the chimney; he really enters through the heart!



Phae's Beauty Center



At This Holy Time

May the spiritual meaning of the season be with you this Christmas, and bring its blessing

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

ROSE BUTANE COMPANY

MERRY CHRISTMAS

THERE ARE NO OTHER TWO WORDS that can start the heart strings singing more quickly or more gladly. They best express human emotion. We cannot improve on them for they form the perfect thought.

ANOTHER YEAR IS DRAWING TO A CLOSE and it has been a better year because of the friendship and good will you have shown in our Drug Store.

OPERATING A PRESCRIPTION PHARMACY is not like running the average business. We deal principally in good health. Of course, we supply some of the aids to better living that you traditionally like to get from a drug store, but primarily we devote our efforts to the compounding of prescriptions and providing you with medicines and health aids.

WE ARE GRATEFUL that you have given us the opportunity to serve you. Your friendship and patronage enable us to successfully carry on our work on the health team.

AND SO, AS ANOTHER YEAR draws to a close, we want to thank you for your part in making it a pleasant one and to sincerely wish you and yours—A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

NEAL DRUG

Box 608

Phone 5-3421

FRIENDLY PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Dear Santa:
Will you please bring me a bicycle and coloring book and hoola hoop.
Your friend,
Lavern Dillard

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like a doll and a buggy and a suitcase. Merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Helen Parson.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a pump air rifle and please bring me a typewriter and a doll buggy, and please bring me a portable TV.
Your friend,
Judy Lutzenberger.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a gym set for Christmas and a doll buggy. Please bring me some nuts, doctor set, too, and Mr. and Mrs. Potato Head game.
Your friend,
Kathy Payne.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want for Christmas an electric train and a BB gun and slide and a tank and a gun.
Your friend,
James.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll and doll diaper bag, also a pogo stick and a blackboard.
your friend,
Katherine Sohus.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me for Christmas, a football and a machine gun.
your friend,
Rickey.

Dear Santa Claus:
For Christmas I would like to have a bike and a pellet gun.
Your friend,
Mike Rhodes.

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like to have for Christmas a football, a football helmet, a bike, a great big truck and a model car.
Your friend,
Billy Strength.

Dear Santa Claus:
Would you please bring me a pogo stick and a doll. And I would like a sewing kit and a cash register and a baton.
Your friend,
Brenda.

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like to have a rubber doll, a suitcase, some children's high heels, necklace and bracelet, a buggy for my doll. I want a bride doll and a tricycle and a set of dishes, a teddy bear and a doll set; a ballerina suit, a comb and brush, a tube of lipstick, a pair of bows and a little truck and a car.
With love,
Billie Gardner.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a big doll, and a car, bed and any other present you want to me to have. I thank you, Santa.
I love you,
Clovie Lee Norris.

Dear Santa:
I have been a pretty good girl this year. Please bring me a doll, play dishes and clothes. Bring to all the other kids.
Your friend,
Linda Ruth Shults.

Dear Santa:
I am in the first grade. Please bring me a BB gun, a truck and a farm set.
Love,
Stephen Fortune

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy and I am seven years old. I would like to have two guns and holsters, a bicycle and a new scooter and some candy, fruit and nuts.
Jimmy McNutt.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a BB gun, a bowling set and some fruit and candy.
Jimmy Harris.

Dear Santa:
I am in the first grade, and would you please bring me a book and some jacks?
Love,
Martha Duncan.

Dear Santa:
Please remember all the little boys and girls at Christmas. I would like to have a football, bicycle and train.
Love,
Richard Pope.

Dear Santa:
Would you please bring me a rifle and I'd like to have a truck too, for Christmas.
Your friend,
Billy

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like for you to bring me a BB gun for Christmas. Thanks.
Your friend,
Danny.

Dear Santa:
For Christmas this year I want a football and a 50c firecracker.
Thanks,
Andy Johnson.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a semi-truck and some horses and cows.
Your friend,
Troy Seals.

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like for you to bring me some toys and a BB gun.
Your friend,
Jimmy.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a bride doll with doll clothes. I have tried to be good.
Joy Sadler.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me an electric train and a drum too.
Love,
Vicky Curry

Cross Plains Review

Thursday, December 10

Dear Santa:
I have been a good boy and I would like to have a boy doll and a football for Christmas.
Thanks,
Ronnie Richardson.

Dear Santa:
Santa, please bring me for Christmas a machine gun, and a truck, and an electric train, and a football, and a BB gun and a basketball and a camera.
Your friend,
Mike Lusk

Dear Santa:
Please Santa, bring me a highheel shoes and a Thank you.
Love,
Larue Hutchins

Dear Santa:
I want an electric train for Christmas. I also want a camera and I want a machine gun, and I want a camera too, and I want an airplane and I want a BB gun.
Your friend,
Bobby Sipes

GREETINGS . . .

to my many friends in this community!
May this Christmas be a happy one for you and yours, and may the year of '59 be the best.
Sincerely,
W. A. (Slim) Crutchmer



HOLDRIDGE VARIETY STORE



Greetings!
May Santa present you with the gayest Holiday Season!

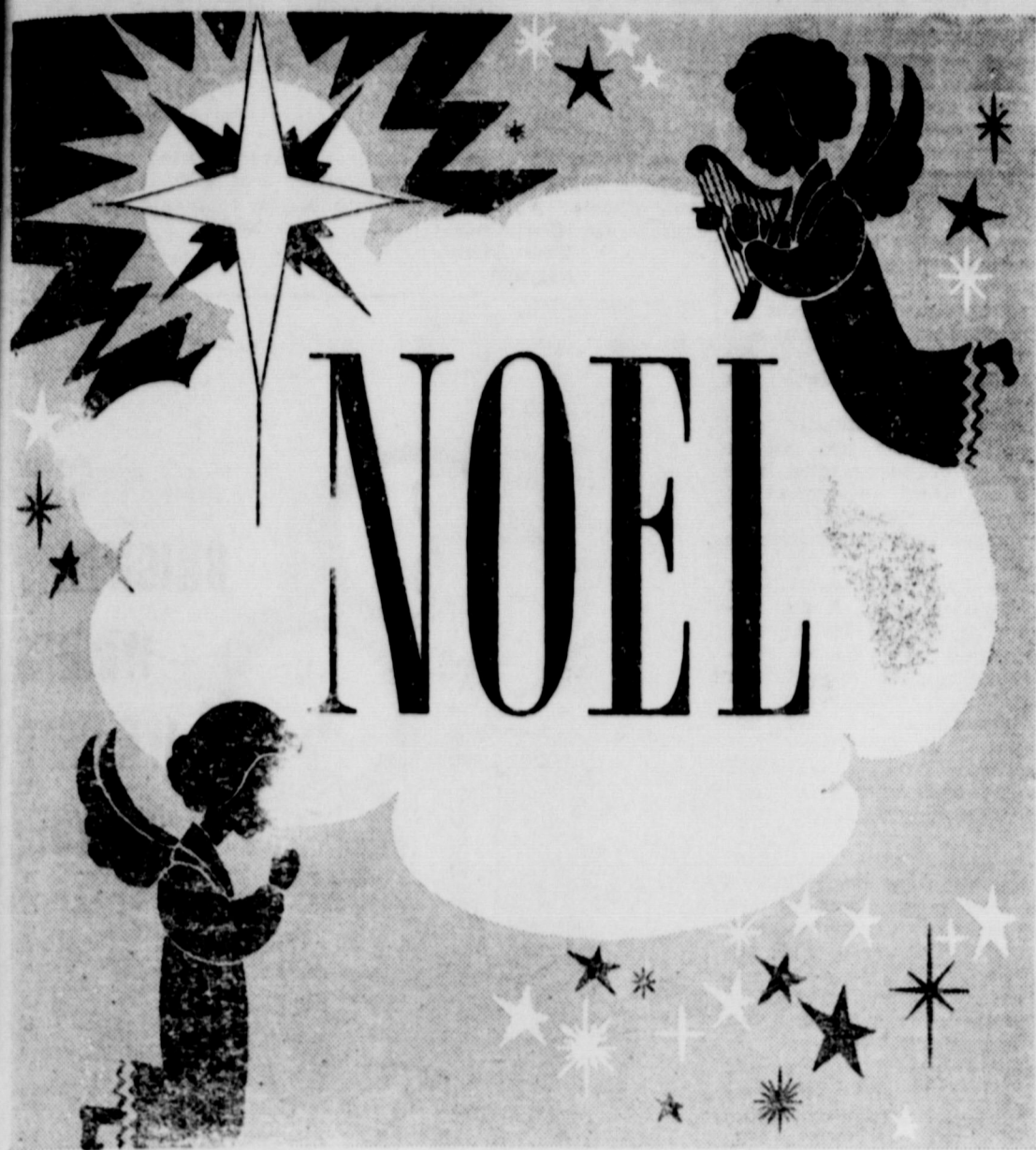
Jim Settle Dry Cleaning
"Enemy to Dirt" Cross Plains



O, HOLY NIGHT...

When Bethlehem's Star shone e'r so bright
Both Kings and Shepherds knelt at the sight
Knowing it as Herald of Our Savior's Birth,
Signifying the deliverance of Peace On Earth.

Citizens State Bank



NOEL

A joyous carol sends our Greetings!
 May your Christmas be blessed with
 the joys you love best, and may all your
 days, too, be most happy for you...

MERRY CHRISTMAS
BISHOP CHEVROLET CO.



Have a heavenly Christmas! We hope that it is
 merry and gay - one to recall as a heavenly day!

CROSS PLAINS TRACTOR SERVICE

Dear Santa:
 Would you please bring me a
 doll, a toy sewing machine and a
 coloring book. My brother wants
 a tractor.
 Thank you,
 Sharon Jan White.

Dear Santa:
 Please bring me a football and
 some guns. Bring my little brothers
 something, too.
 A friend,
 Larry Dale Bishop.

Dear Santa:
 I want some china dishes, Shirley
 Temple doll and a suitcase for
 Christmas.
 I love you,
 Sherri Neal.
 P. S.—My brother wants a ball.

Dear Santa:
 Please bring me a doll with a bed,
 a TV set and coke machine.
 Love,
 Patricia Yarbrough.

Dear Santa:
 I have been a good girl. Will you
 please bring me a doll and some
 dishes and a buggy. Bring a ball
 for my orothers.
 I love you,
 Janice Daniel.

Dear Santa:
 I want for Christmas, a doll and
 some dishes, and a baby buggy and
 an organ. I have been good.
 Love,
 Wanda Childers.

Dear Santa:
 Please bring me a doll, a suitcase,
 some dishes, a toy piano and a
 record player, and a doll house.
 I love you,
 Linda Fay Duncan.

Dear Santa:
 Will you please bring me a toy
 car and a dump truck and a grader
 and also a football.
 I love you,
 Jimmy Chesshir.

Dear Santa:
 Please bring me a radio, a record
 player and a real TV for my room.
 I love you,
 Marie Williams.

Dear Santa:
 I want for Christmas, a football
 and a pair of guns and a train and
 railroad, a car and toy builders.
 From
 Gary Gilmore.

Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl 6 years old. I
 want a baby doll with a bottle, a
 suitcase and some little dishes and
 some fruit and nuts too. That will
 be plenty. Thank you, Santa.
 My name is
 Ruby Taylor.
 Route 2, Cross Plains.

Dear Santa:
 I am in the first grade. Please
 bring me a football, a wagon, a toy
 car and a dump truck.
 I love you,
 David Dennis.

Dear Santa:
 I am in the first grade and want
 you to please bring me a doll, a
 doll bed and a house coat and a
 ball.
 Love,
 Christy Driskill

Dear Santa:
 I am in the first grade in school.
 Please bring me a gun and scab-
 bard.
 Your friend,
 Ray Gene Koerner

Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy that has been
 good. I want a gun, boots, and a
 hat and Santa don't forget my big
 brother and little sister.
 Thank you,
 Lawrence Lee

Dear Santa:
 I have been good so would you
 please bring me a doll, a suitcase,
 and some dishes.
 I love you,
 Karan McNutt

Dear Santa:
 Please bring me a doll, a suit-
 case, some dishes, a toy piano and
 record player and a monkey.
 Zada Dickey

Dear Santa:
 Would you please bring me for
 Christmas, a doll, a suitcase, some
 dishes, a toy piano, a record play-
 er, a doll house and a diaper bag.
 I love you,
 Iralouna Rogers

Dear Santa:
 For Christmas, please bring me
 a wagon, a toy car, a dump truck,
 roadgrader and football.
 I love you,
 Mike Hargrove

Dear Santa:
 Will you please bring me some
 guns and a football and wagon for
 Christmas?
 Your friend,
 David Merryman

Dear Santa:
 Santa, please bring me a car and
 a truck, a tractor and trailer—that
 is all.
 Watson Dillard

Dear Santa:
 I would like to have a football
 and a shotgun and guns, too.
 Love,
 James McMillan

Dear Santa:
 Please bring me a family doll
 and a ring and suitcase. Be good
 to all the boys and girls.
 I love you,
 Kala Sue Calhoun.

Dear Santa:
 I love you. Please bring me a
 doll and a ring and a nurse kit and
 a nurse suit.
 Dianna Gayle Jones.

Read the Want Ads

Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy five years old
 and I want a bicycle for Christ-
 mas and my brother, Larry, wants
 a 410 and my brother, Gary, wants
 a 410.

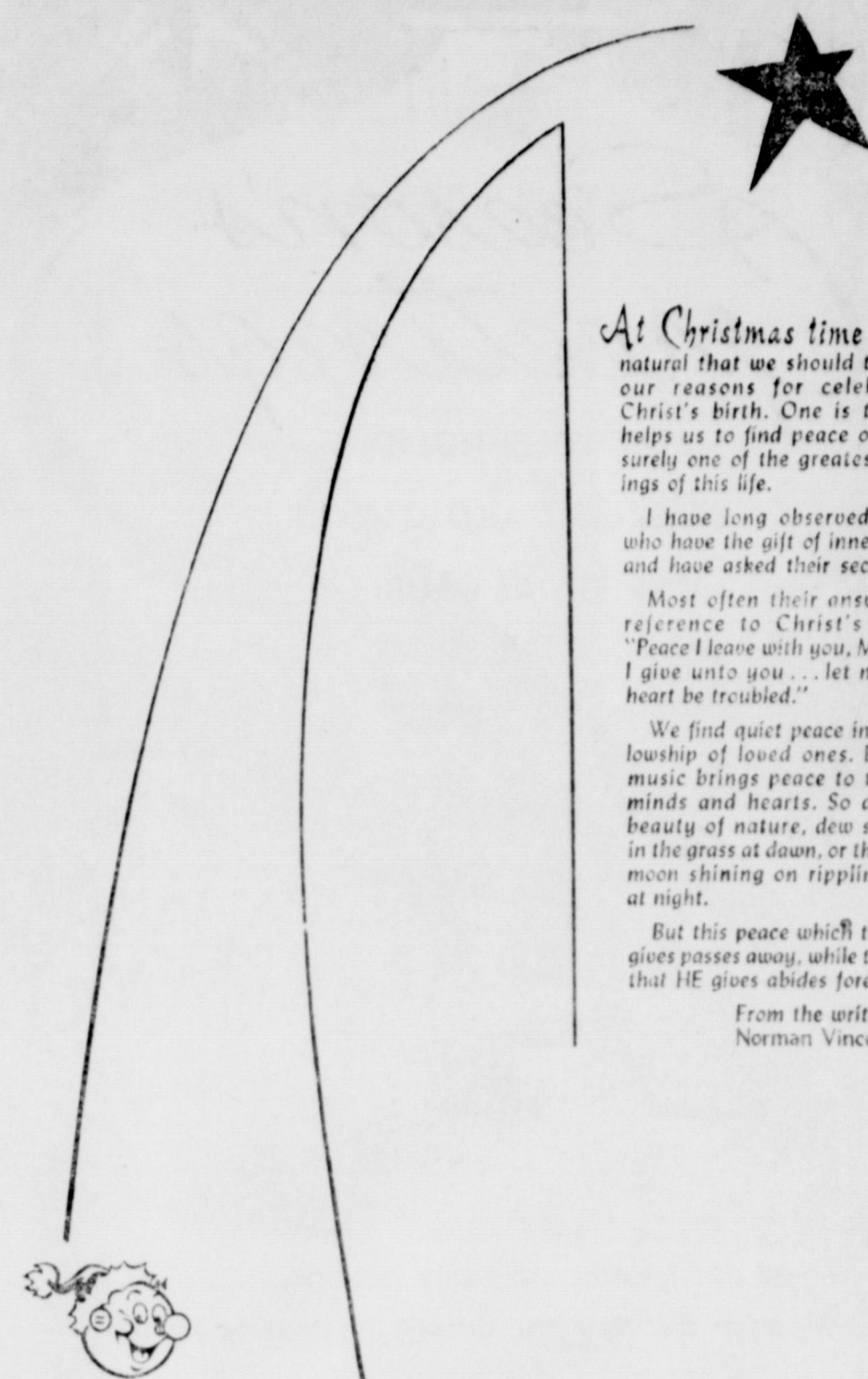
Thank you Santa,
 Billy Frank Melton

Dear Santa:
 I am five years old and I am a
 good little girl. Please bring me a
 tiny tears doll and a baton and
 fill my stocking with fruit, nuts
 and candy.

I love you,
 Vicki Foster

Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little girl five years old.
 I would like it very much if you
 would bring me a bride doll and
 dishes. I would also like a hobby
 horse and a teddy bear.

Your friend,
 Peggy Jean Tankersley



At Christmas time... it is
 natural that we should think of
 our reasons for celebrating
 Christ's birth. One is that HE
 helps us to find peace of mind,
 surely one of the greatest bless-
 ings of this life.

I have long observed people
 who have the gift of inner peace,
 and have asked their secret.

Most often their answer is a
 reference to Christ's words,
 "Peace I leave with you, My peace
 I give unto you... let not your
 heart be troubled."

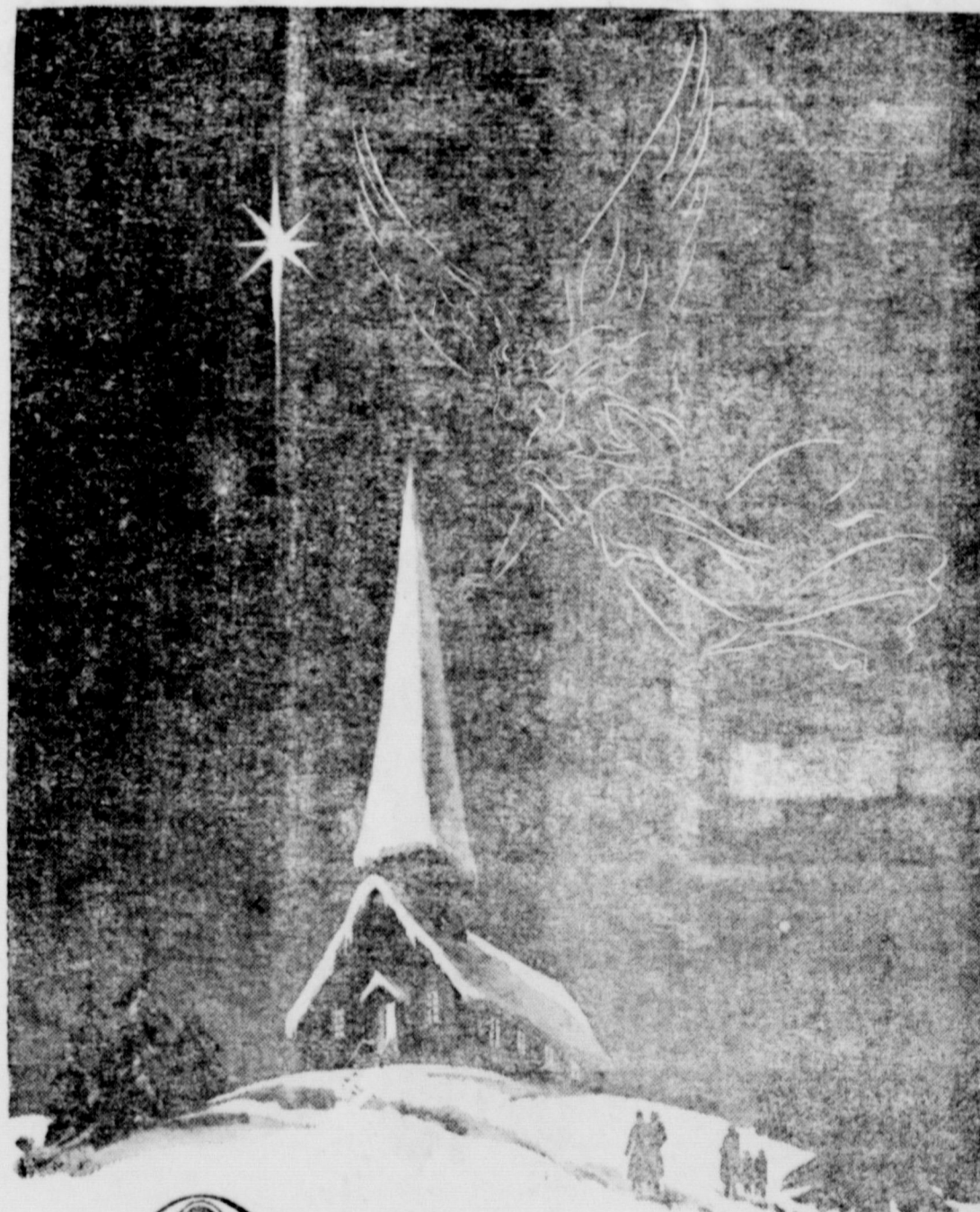
We find quiet peace in the fel-
 lowship of loved ones. Beautiful
 music brings peace to troubled
 minds and hearts. So does the
 beauty of nature, dew sparkling
 in the grass at dawn, or the silvery
 moon shining on rippling water
 at night.

But this peace which the world
 gives passes away, while the peace
 that HE gives abides forever.

From the writings of
 Norman Vincent Peale

"Hope you have a
 Merry, Merry Christmas
 ...and that you and
 your loved ones enjoy
 many Electrical Gifts."
 Reddy Kilowatt

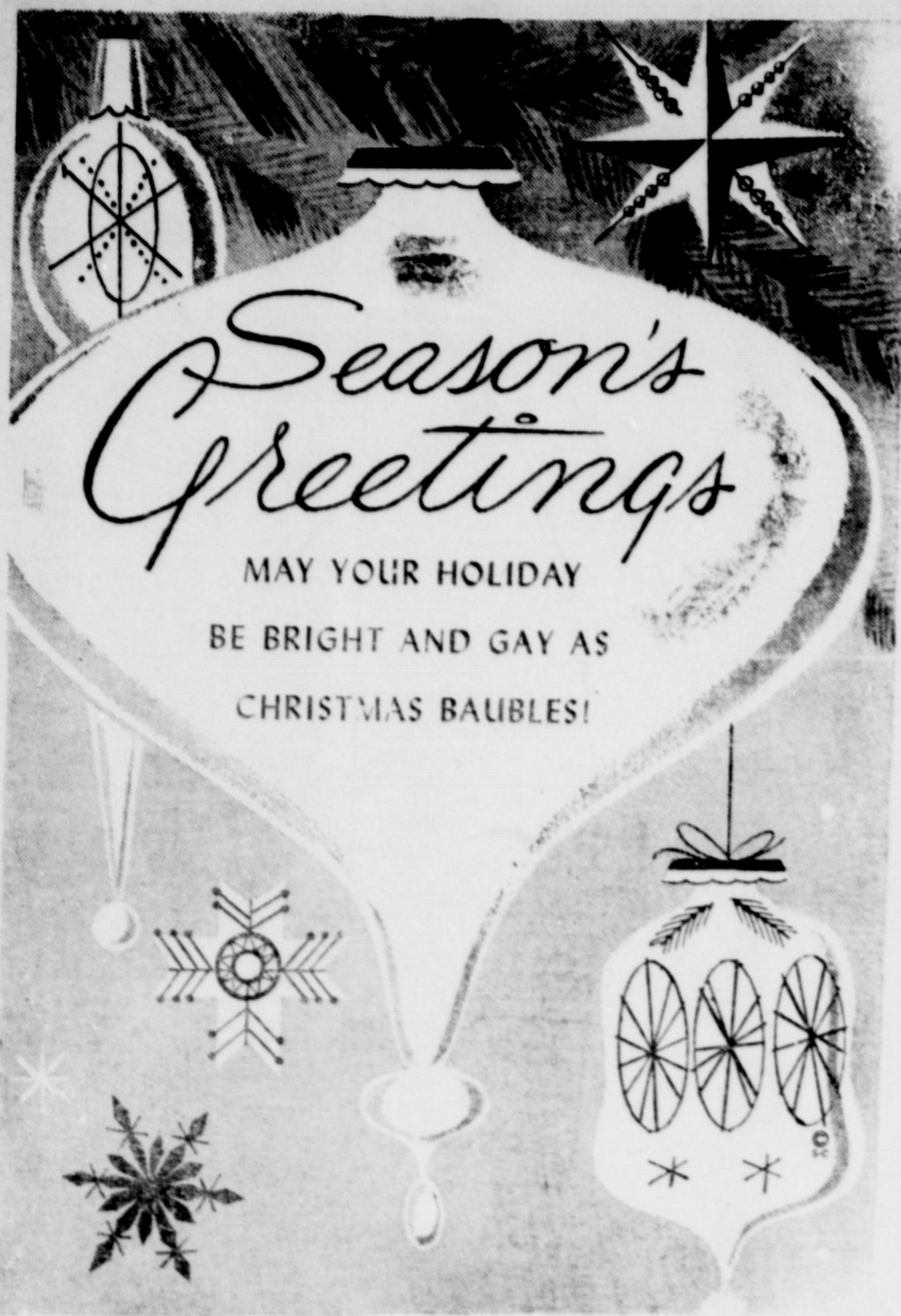
West Texas Utilities
 Company



Oh Holy Night...

...with "tidings of great joy!" Again the
 Savior is reborn in the hearts of all
 mankind! May love and peace light
 your way this Christmas!

YARBROUGH SERVICE STATION



To all our friends and many patrons...
We wish the very best during the coming year!

CITY DRUG STORE

L. D. BAYLESS, R. Ph.

HILDRETH BAYLESS, R. N.



CLOSEST TO HEAVEN IS A CHILD

New arrival on this earth,

So soon from Him at his birth,

Does, in his heart, God extol

Not in reason, but of soul—

Thus he knows what was meant

When The Child to us was sent.

DILLARD & FALKNER STATION

Drop In Farm Census Reversed In 1957-58

The sharp decline in Texas farm population which occurred in 1956-57 does not appear to have continued during 1957-58, reports R. L. Skrabanek, professor, Department of Agricultural Economics and Sociology, Texas A&M College. Skrabanek attributes this temporary reversal partly to the economic recession which tended to retard movement from farms because of a drop in the number of off-farm job opportunities. He said there also is some evidence that the recession caused the return of some workers to farm areas.

The 1958 farm population figure of 1,032,000 represents a decline of 335,000, or 24 per cent, from the estimated farm population in 1956. It represents an increase of 34,000 from the 1957 estimate of 1,018,000. As Texas' total population continues to grow, the proportion of farm population to the total population continues to decline. In April, 1958, farm residents comprised 11.3 per cent of the total population, as compared to 17.9 per cent in 1950.

This decline represents a continuation of a long-time trend. In 1910, about three of every five persons in Texas resided on a farm. The proportion living on farms continued to fall during intervening years, interrupted only during depression years and brief periods since World War II.

U. S. farm population in April, 1958, was 20,827,000. The proportion of the nation's farm population living in Texas remains relatively the same. In 1957 about 4.99 of every 100 farm people in the nation resided in Texas. In 1958, the state's share was 5.05 out of every 100.

Safety Association Says 'Don't Shop for Accidents' During December Nights

When you're out shopping these December nights, make sure you don't unwittingly shop for an accident, motorists and pedestrians were cautioned today by J. O. Musick, General Manager of the Texas Safety Association.

"Many families are driving to other communities than their own to find 'different gifts' for Christmas," he pointed out. "Downtown business areas and outlying shopping centers are crowded day and night, especially at night when most workers are through for the day and desire to take advantage of evening shopping opportunities."

The safety expert said local traffic in most areas is congested because of the gift-hunting rush. The pressure is expected to continue right up to the day before Christmas.

"It's easier to say 'take it easy' than it is to practice it," Musick said. "But we must curb the desire to rush and hurry. At the wheel or on foot, take time to move safely—to avoid endangering yourself and others."

When sidewalks, streets and highways are made slippery by ice or snow, proceed with caution, Musick advises. When blizzards bring deep snow, be prepared with tire chains. Don't block traffic or have a skid wreck.

"In addition to shopping hazards, this is the greatest party-giving time of year," Musick added.

"A host, whether it be a business firm, civic group or family, should make it clear to guests that a holiday party can be enjoyed without over-indulgence in intoxicants. It must be remembered that death takes no holiday."

Musick said state and local law enforcement officers will not let the holiday spirit deter them from strict enforcement of the laws against drunken driving.

"Each December, the accident wards of our hospitals are ready to receive the injured victims of holiday accidents," he pointed out.

This preparation is based on past experience, but often holiday accidents are really avoidable mishaps. They occur because the drivers and pedestrians involved are too occupied with thoughts far removed from the simple but extremely important task of driving or walking safely."

Musick urged every Texan to exercise reasonable restraint in his enthusiasm for the year's happiest month. "...so it will remain happy for us all."

SAINT NICHOLAS

Several hundred years ago there lived a patron saint, Saint Nicholas, who in his lifetime was Bishop of Myra in Asia Minor. An old legend tells us that the kindly St. Nicholas unintentionally originated the custom of hanging stockings by the fire at Christmas. St. Nicholas was rich, and loved to make mysterious journeys bearing secret gifts to the poor. For a long time his identity remained hidden, but he was caught at last with his sack of gifts on his back.

St. Nicholas knew an old nobleman who was very poor, and who did not want anyone to know of his poverty. Wishing to give him a gift of money, St. Nicholas one day crept to a window of the house and saw the old man asleep by the fire. The good Bishop climbed to the roof and dropped his gift down the chimney, thinking it would fall on the hearth at the nobleman's feet. But it so happened that the man's daughter had hung some stockings by the fire, and the money fell into one of them. From that kindly deed of the good Bishop has grown the custom of hanging up stockings at Christmas time.

Miss Mary Helen Strong left Monday of this week for Stone-wall, Okla., to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Houston Strong.

Women Offered Executive Posts In WAC Service

Women interested in becoming an executive in the Women's Army Corps have less than a month to submit their applications for the next officer training class, M-Sgt. Leonard M. Evans, Army recruiter, announced this week.

This class begins on February 23. All applications must be submitted at least two months in advance to insure necessary processing and selection.

Accepted applicants receive a direct commission as a lieutenant and then attend this five month's course at Fort McClellan, Ala., before their initial duty assignment.

Qualified college graduates and certain non-graduates are eligible to apply. Non-graduates must have completed at least two years of college and have sufficient leadership and supervisory experience in civilian life.

Executive level assignments are in many career fields. A few examples are personnel, intelligence, communications, and public relations. Experience in a particular field is not a prerequisite for assignment to most of the career positions open to WAC officers.

WAC officers have opportunities for overseas assignments in such places as Germany, Japan and France.

M-Sgt. Evans explained that women who meet the qualifications will find this is an excellent opportunity to begin a new vocation which is both interesting and rewarding.

For further information contact M-Sgt. Evans at 800 N. 3rd St., Abilene, or call OR 3-2576.

Dear Santa:
Please Santa, bring me some boots and a BB gun and a car, boat and trailer, for Christmas.
Your friend,
O. B. Byrd, Jr.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a doll with red hair, please bring me a set of china dishes. I want a baby bed and I want a telephone. I also want a ring and a necklace and bracelet.
I love you,
Jo Driskill

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Dear Santa:
I have been a good girl. I want a doll and a set of dishes for Christmas. I hope you won't forget me.
Love,
Jane Nunn

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a baby doll and some dishes. And a bicycle and a camera for Christmas.
Your friend,
Patricia

Thursday, December 11

Dear Santa:
Please bring me Christmasing a bride doll and a set of dishes.
Also please bring me a gift.
Thanks,
Janice Diana

Dear Santa:
For Christmas I would like you to please bring me a table.
Love,
Daria Davis



OUR
BRIGHTEST
WISHES
WE SEND
TO YOU!

Johnnie's Beauty Shop



White and light and

lovely is the day. There's peace! And we

pray it will always stay. The bells ring clear in the new

crisp air, and with every true note falls a care.

The day is Christmas and it's lovely.



W.T. COX

FARMERS MARKET

'Where Ma Saves Pa's Money'

"AS I SEE IT"

By Jack McCarty

Review staff... Jack, Lois, Dan McCarty, Benny and Jack Webb Baum... you the happiest kind of a...

Are you planning a trip during Christmas holidays, we warn that the highways are dangerous and the Department of Public Safety is predicting that over 100 accidents will be reported during the Christmas holiday period, so drive with caution. Don't let a traffic jam mar your Christmas season.

It is a good story for the Christmas season, written by Henry Van... and entitled, "Keeping Christmas".

But there is a better thing than the observance of Christmas Day, and that is, keeping Christmas.

"Are you willing to forget what you have done for other people, and to remember what other people have done for you; to ignore what the world owes you, and to think that you owe the world; to put your rights in the background, and your duty in the foreground; to see your fellow-men as just as good as you are, and try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for joy; to own that probably the only good reason for your existence is not what you are going to get out of life, but what you are going to give to life; to close your book of complaints against the management of the universe, and look around you for a place where you can sow a few seeds of happiness - are you willing to do these things even for a day."

"Then you can keep Christmas. Are you willing to keep your eyes on the needs and the wishes of little children; to remember the weakness and loneliness of people who are growing old; to stop asking how much your friends love you, and ask yourself whether you love them enough; to bear in mind the things that other people have to bear in their hearts; to try to understand what those who live in the same house with you really want, without waiting for them to tell you; to trim your lamp so that it will give more light and less smoke, and to carry it in front so that your shadow will fall behind you; to make a grave of your ugly thoughts and a garden of your good ones; to keep your eyes on the things that will give you joy, and to forget the things that will give you grief."

Speaking of Christmas, have you contributed to the Chamber of Commerce Goodwill Fund to help provide Christmas for the unfortunate members of our community? If not, make a note to do so today. Helping in this worthy endeavor will make your Christmas brighter and our help will be sincerely appreciated by some child or aged person who will be remembered by the Goodwill. Leave your contribution with Alton Hornsby at the Citizens State Bank.

The Happy Bluebird Campfire Girls Group, under the leadership of Mrs. Harold Garrett, made dolls and contributed them to the Goodwill organization for distribution to needy children this Christmas, according to an announcement made this week by Chairman Hornsby. Assistant leaders of this group are Mrs. Howard McGowan and Mrs. Eldon Gregg.

Billy Sam Sipes Spending Army Leave With Parents Billy Sam Sipes arrived home Thursday morning of last week from New York, where he has been stationed for several weeks with the U. S. Army while attending a specialized school. He was met at Lovefield in Dallas by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Sipes, who drove him to Cross Plains.

Billy Sam will spend the holidays here and will report to Fort Hood at the end of his leave.

Charles McCord, a student at Carleton State College, is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McCord.

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THE MOCKERY



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LYNDA TYLER, JOHNNY PANCAKE NAMED MR. AND MISS CPHS; FAVORITES NAMED

Business District Has Pretty Christmas Decorations

If you have failed to take time out during your evening activities to drive down Main Street, you should do so. The beautifully-lighted tree in the center of Main Street is the prettiest that we have had and the multi-colored lights strung across Main Street add much to the setting. The business houses have attractive window displays and the quarters of West Texas Utilities are most attractive with a pink Christmas tree centering the building.

Social Security Suggests New Year's Resolutions

Most of us make a few New Year's Resolutions each year, some of which get broken before February. However, the folks down at the Abilene Social Security office hope you'll pick out the ones above that apply to you and keep them—not only in 1959, but from now on.

Billy Dale Strickland Home After Six Months Training

Billy Dale Strickland arrived in Cross Plains Saturday morning where he will visit with his mother, Mrs. Zenovia Strickland, until the middle of January when he will go to Arlington to attend Arlington State College.

Billy Dale has completed six months training with the National Guard having been stationed at Camp Chaffee, Ark. for six weeks and spent the remainder of the time at Fort Jackson, N. C.

Local Hunting Party Brings In Big Bag of Game Saturday

A hunting party made up of Bobby Golson, Joe Gary, Red Vaughn and Louis Richardson, were displaying a large bag of coons, possums and cats to friends here last Saturday morning to prove that they are experts at night hunting.

Former Cross Plains Man Buried At Killeen

Funeral rites were held at the Killeen Funeral Home Wednesday, Dec. 17, for Loyce Chatham, 37, former resident of Cross Plains. Chatham died suddenly at the wheel of a taxicab which he drove, of a heart attack Tuesday, Dec. 16.

Baptist Church At Scranton Destroyed By Fire Recently

Members of the congregation of the Scranton Baptist Church lost no time in making plans to rebuild their church which was destroyed by fire shortly before the Sunday School hour Sunday morning, Dec. 14. They voted Sunday night to undertake a building program. At the same time they called Rev. McCauley to become their pastor.

Jerry Foster Spending Army Leave Here With Parents

Jerry Foster is at home visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Foster of the Atwell community, from Fort Bliss where he has been stationed for sometime. Jerry has recently been released from the base hospital where he underwent surgery on a knee that has bothered him since injuring it while playing football with the buffalo squad, however, he is recovering satisfactorily now.

Cisco Boys and Eula Girls Are Winners In Invitational Tournament Held Here

DAVID MORRIS, ABILENE OILMAN, DIES OF BLAST INJURIES RECEIVED HERE DEC. 17

Lingering in critical condition not quite 24 hours after a Cross Plains gas well blast, Wednesday, Dec. 17, Abilene Oilman David F. Morris became the second to die Thursday. Morris, 60, of Abilene succumbed at Hendrick Memorial Hospital at 11:06 a.m. Dec. 18 despite approximately eight hours of surgery Wednesday.

Killed instantly in the explosion of a gas well on the Charley Smith place 1 1/2 miles northeast of Cross Plains shortly after noon Wednesday, was Dennis L. Halepeska, 37, also of Abilene. Mr. Morris was an independent oil operator and the secretary of Callihan Interests, Inc. of Abilene, owners of the well. Halepeska was a partner in Halepeska & Vaughn, consulting geologists.

Funeral for Mr. Morris were held at 3 p.m. Friday in St. Paul Methodist Church in Abilene with Dr. John Donohoe, pastor, Dr. C. A. Long and the Rev. R. B. Freeman officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Memorial Park.

Mr. Morris is survived by his wife, a son, Kenneth W. of Abilene; a daughter, Mrs. Miller Goodman of Midland; three brothers and one sister.

Mr. Halepeska's funeral was at 9:30 a.m. Friday in Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church with the Rev. E. J. Johnson, pastor, officiating. Rosary was said at 8 p.m. Thursday in Elliott's Chapel of Memories in Abilene.

Five Grocery Stores To Close 2 Days For Christmas Holiday

Five grocery stores in Cross Plains will be closed two days for Christmas this year, according to an announcement made here the past week by Travis Foster, owner of Foster Grocery.

SGT. AND MRS. DEAN WOMACK ANNOUNCE BIRTH OF SON

Set. Ie and Mrs. Dean Womack of Schweitzberg, Germany, are announcing the birth of a son, Jeffrey Dean. According to reports received here both mother and baby were doing fine but relatives failed to learn the date of the birth.

Department of Public Safety Seeking Men

The Texas Department of Public Safety will conduct preliminary field examinations for the position of patrolman on January 20, 21 and 22, announced Major Wilson E. Speir, Commanding Officer of the Midland Regional Office. Young men between the ages of 21 and 35 who can qualify and desire a career as a State Law Enforcement Officer may secure application forms at any Highway Patrol District Office, the DPS Regional Office or by writing Dept. of Public Safety, Box 4087, Austin, Tex. Any local patrolman will be glad to discuss the qualifications and benefits of the position with prospective applicants.

Mrs. Charley Barr Suffers Hip Fracture In Fall Wednesday

Mrs. Charley Barr suffered a hip fracture Wednesday night of last week when she fell at her home on West Highway 36.

She was carried to a Coleman hospital and Thursday morning was moved to Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene where she underwent surgery Friday morning. She is reported to be getting along satisfactorily.

C. B. Hester Home Is Destroyed By Fire

The farm home of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Hester was destroyed by fire Thursday night of last week while the Hester family was in town to attend the Christmas program and basketball tournament.

Dick Montgomery discovered the fire about 8:15 as he was returning to Cross Plains after a visit in the A. O. Harris home at Pioneer, and called the Cross Plains fire department. However, the house was almost completely destroyed when they arrived.

Mr. and Mrs. Hester and their granddaughter, Bonnie Grace, had lived on the place for several years and the Hesters' son, Bill, his wife and four small children were living with the Hesters temporarily, and lost all of their clothing and personal belongings. The Hesters will make their home on their farm near Sabanno.

Jim Cross Dies Suddenly Monday; Funeral Pending

Jim Cross, 88, life-time resident of the Cottonwood-Cross Plains area, died suddenly at his home in Cross Plains at 1:00 o'clock Monday, Dec. 22, of a heart attack.

Mr. Cross had been in failing health for several years but his death was unexpected as he had been in town and returned home only a few minutes before suffering the fatal attack while talking with Mrs. Cross.

He operated a grocery business in Cross Plains for many years before the town was moved from the old location near Turkey Creek to the present location. He also engaged in cotton ginning here.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by Higginbotham Funeral Home. Survivors include his wife; four sons, Eugene of San Antonio, James of Brownwood, Aubrey of Cisco and Dorian of the home; two daughters, Mrs. Callie Johnston and Mrs. Nora Billingsley of San Antonio; three brothers, Bob Cross of Ralls and Tom and W. J. Cross of Cross Plains and one sister, Mrs. Nora Weiler of Kermit.

Mrs. O. K. Angeley of Earth is a visitor with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam DeBusk.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Baum of Hobbs, New Mexico, and their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Baum of North Dakota, visited here Saturday night and Sunday with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Baum.

PHILOSOPHER COMES OUT AGAIN FOR HIS PLAN TO EQUALIZE CHRISTMAS GIVING

Editor's note: The Bayou Philosopher, on his Johnson grass farm on the Bayou, has discovered Christmas is here. If he has found it out, it must indeed be here. Dear editor:

Along about this time of the year every year a lot of people pull up short and declare time sure does fly here it is Christmas again and it seems like only a month or so since the last one.

This is because people live too fast. That is, they think they're living too fast, although actually, of course everybody lives at the same rate, only instead of living from one hour to the next, or at the most one day to the next, most people try to live in gulps, say twelve gulps to consume the whole year. Now me, I take things a little easier. You try to consume a whole year too fast and you wind up with indignation. Also, I notice that some people get to wishing they could skip Christmas. They say it's too strenuous, it's too much trouble, it's too commercial. Generally, though, when people say Christmas is too commercial, they mean it's not commercial enough for them, it's the other fellow that's profiting by it.

By Benny Glover

The Cisco boys and Eula girls won the Cross Plains Invitational Basketball Tournament, held the past week. The Eula boys and Baird girls were consolation winners and Eastland's boys and Coleman's girls were runners-up.

The Cisco Lobos hit a torrid 15 points in the third quarter to ease away from Eastland and handed the Mavericks a 45-29 lacing. The Eula girls had a bit harder time in beating Coleman. A 14-point fourth quarter kept Eula out of danger as Coleman managed only 10 points, as Eula won 42-35.

Charles Lipse paced the Cisco boys with 17, and Clint Humphreys hooped in 12 for the losers. Nelda Culpepper and Bobby Burns led the Eula girls to their victory, getting 20 and 18 points respectively. Sondra Dority paced the Coleman gals with 21 points.

Eula boys team nipped the Cross Plains boys in a thriller in the consolation finals, 44-41. Cross Plains led at the end of the first and third quarters, but a 17-point Eula fourth quarter bested the spirited Buffaloes. In the girls division, Baird slipped by Cisco, 33-26. A 10-point Baird third quarter made the difference as Cisco was held to four points. The score was knotted at 7-7 at the end of the first frame, and Baird held only a one point advantage at the end of the first half. Tony Burns led the local boys in the scoring column with 18, and Elton Martin sparked Eula with 14. In the girls action, Mary Jagers bucketed 19, pacing Baird while Shirley Clements hooped in 17 points for loser Cisco.

All-Tournament Teams. Cross Plains placed two cagers on the All-Tournament teams, Jo Holland and Tony Burns. Burns was high point scorer in the boys division with 69 points in three games. Bobby Burns of Eula snared tournament honors for the girls with 64 points in three games.

Boys Team. Because there was a tie for a place on the outstanding players' team there were six players named to the boys' team: Tony Burns, Cross Plains; Jack Snipes, Eula; Eldon Martin, Eula; Clint Humphreys, Eastland; Charles Lipse, Cisco; Bill McEwen, Talpa.

Girls Team. Bobby Burns, Eula; Nelda Culpepper, Eula; Mary Jagers, Baird.

Guard: Ruth Ann Hemphill, Coleman. Sandy Turner, Clyde; Jo Holland, Cross Plains.

In preliminary action Thursday and Friday nights, Eastland defeated Early 52-39, to advance into the finals, and Cross Plains boys axed Baird 48-41 to gain a play-off berth in the consolation finals. In girls action Thursday night, Coleman edged Cross Plains, 35-29, advancing into the finals, and in the consolation action Baird slammed early 41-19.

Friday night saw Cisco come from behind and nudge Talpa 46-44 in the winner's bracket play and Eula slipped past Clyde 44-38, in third place action.

In girls action, Eula outlasted Clyde 32-30 in the semi-finals, and Cisco slipped by Talpa 36-35, in consolation play.

Mrs. Henry Cravens and sons, Sidney and Richie of Mertzon visited in the home of Mrs. Mary Wagner and Dick, Sunday. They also visited in the Chess Barr home while here.

J. A.

Sidney Shirley, stationed with the U. S. Army at Fort Carson, Colorado, is spending the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Shirley.

Terry Watkins arrived some Sunday morning from the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Watkins and sons. Mr. and Mrs. Watkins and Keith and Don, a student at San Angelo Junior College, met him in Dallas Saturday night and brought him to Cross Plains.

FBX, referring to small switchboards, means Private Branch Exchange.

Thirteen pieces in a "baker's dozen" originated when King Louis of France warned all bakers who gave under measure that they would be beheaded.

Mary Martha Sunday School Class Holds Christmas Social

Mrs. Pat McNeel Jr. entertained members of the Mary Martha Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church with a Christmas party Tuesday of last week, Dec. 16, at her new home in the northwest section of town.

A buffet supper was enjoyed and gifts were exchanged.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Sam Balkum, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lovell, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Johnston, Mmes. W. D. Smith, class teacher, Tommy Hinkle, D. D. Jones, Glenn Merrill, Charles Pennell and Mr. and Mrs. McNeel.

The word "spud" for potatoes comes from an old organization called "Society for the Prevention of Unwholesome Diet."

Governor Daniel Says Don't Let A Collision Spoil Holiday

If you're in Texas during the holiday season, it will be practically impossible for you to escape this reminder: "Don't Let A Collision Spoil Your Holiday"

From the front pages of daily and weekly newspapers, from the loudspeakers of radios and the screens of television sets, from a thousand billboards over the length and breadth of Texas, that Christmas-New Year's holiday traffic safety message will reach out for you in one of the most intensive state-wide campaigns of its kind in recent years.

Governor Price Daniel, who opened the first state-wide traffic safety crusade early this year with an announced goal of saving 254 lives over 1957, says the goal "is now in

sight."

And to carry it through the last moment of the last minute of 1958, he has been able to secure a mighty outpouring of assistance from Texas' mass communications media and an almost comparable voluntary effort on the part of many thousands of citizens everywhere in the State.

At their own expense, billboard companies of Texas, members of the Outdoor Advertising Association of Texas, have provided more than 1,000 full-color posters carrying the Governor's message over his own signature, along with his photograph. Every billboard firm in the State participated, according to Ed St. John of Austin, an official of Duplex Advertising Co. of Austin and chairman of the Safety Education Committee of the Association. It is one of the big-

gest efforts of its kind the organization ever undertook.

J. C. Smyth, publisher of the Liberty Vindicator and President of the Texas Press Association, said he was urging every Texas newspaper publisher, large and small, "to devote whatever space and efforts are needed in his community to halt traffic deaths during this holiday season. From past experience, I am sure that no Texas newspaper will leave anything undone that it can do during the holidays to help in this all-out campaign."

From Albert D. Johnson, General Manager of KENS Radio in San Antonio and president of the Texas Association of Broadcasters, came similar assistance. "I assure you that all broadcasters in this State are vitally interested in the highway safety problem. . . and all of us stand behind you in your ef-

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Efforts to reduce the traffic toll. The Radio-TV broadcasters of Texas staged a special Labor Day campaign called "Deathless Weekend" that was credited by state officials with holding that holiday's toll to the predicted figure.

This week, Governor Daniel has mailed more than 5,500 letters to Texans in all part of the State, asking their assistance in the holiday program. Concerning the 1958 death toll, the Governor said December 12 figures showed 2,067 traffic deaths, as compared with 2,299 at the same date in 1957, or 232, about 10 per cent fewer. "This gives us hope of reaching our goal," Governor Daniel concluded, "but the holiday period alone can wipe out all this gain unless every driver in Texas makes certain he is not involved in a fatal crash."

Both the words Czar and Tsar come from the Latin word Caeser.

Fido, a dog's name is taken from the Latin fidus meaning faith.

Country roads are almost 60 feet wide because that was the width of the original survey chain.

Welding rings are placed on the third finger of the left hand because of an old Egyptian belief that a nerve ran from that finger to the heart.

Khaki is a Hindustani word meaning "dust colored."

Grasshoppers cannot jump when the temperature is at least 64 degrees Fahrenheit.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



NOEL

Behold! the Madonna and Child, sacred symbols of the Season, and a reminder of our many blessings. Let us rejoice now, for the Prince of Peace is born again, bringing us a renewal of faith and hope.

BOND GROCERY



Season's Greetings

It's such a pleasure to say thank you to our many friends and customers at Christmas. May this Yule be filled with wonder and happiness for everyone. . . .

Cross Plains Motor Co.

Oh Joy!

WHAT A HAPPY HOLIDAY!

O! The wonder of Christmas through the eyes of a child!

— Toys, tinsel and a bright, white world!



CITY OF CROSS PLAINS



JOLLY ST. NICK IS HERE AGAIN! MERRY CHRISTMAS!

ADAIR'S DRY GOODS

OUTDOORS IN TEXAS

By VERN SANFORD
Want to increase your catch of fish?

Here are a few facts gathered at random from fishermen who have been at it for a long, long time.

One angler says that he who fishes an hour or two immediately following dawn and just before dark likely will have better luck. Reason given: Fish just seem to bite a trifle better during early morning hours and late in the afternoon.

Another angler contends that fish strike better on cloudy days and just before a storm. Reason: Fish feed on insects and insects are more active then.

Fish where fish are more apt to be found, is the quite logical advice of fisherman number three. He drops these hints:

Crappie usually stay near the shore in the spring and move into deeper water, 13 to 15 feet, in the summer.

Black bass stick close to shore at moderate depths, usually three or four feet down. Seldom are they found below 10 feet. They lurk about vegetation, rocks and stumps.

White bass ordinarily are found near the surface, often in the middle of a body of water. Sometimes, however, they are caught at depths of 30 or 40 feet. They feed almost exclusively on gizzard shad. Often their presence is indicated by schools of shad leaping from the water in an attempt to escape the hungry fish. (Try a spinning top-water lure or go deep with a spoon.)

Catfish bite well at night. They may be caught at almost any depth. Usually they are found in three to 10 feet of water.

A seasoned angler says, give the fish the kind of bait to which it is accustomed. For example, he uses a silver lure that resembles the gizzard shad, when fishing for white bass.

Another says: If you're fishing in an area where noise prevails, don't worry about the noise you make. But, if you're fishing in a secluded spot—better be quite as possible.

This tip from an old-timer: Four times as many fish will congregate in an area where food is distributed regularly, as compared with normal areas. So, if you want to improve your angling average, try feeding fish on a regular basis.

Some Timely Tips

Long ago we learned that everyone has at least one good, original idea. Also we discovered that no one individual knows all about anything. So, in our contacts with outdoors people we're ever on the alert for tips to relay to our readers.

We'd like to include a few, right now, for your consideration. Chances are you heard about some of them so long ago that you had forgotten them. If so this will serve to remind you. Anyway, here they are:

Sea Sickness — If you are afraid of becoming seasick, take along a bottle of Karo syrup. As soon as you feel the least bit woozy take a couple of spoonfuls of the syrup. You'll be in tip-top shape in just a few minutes.

Candy with dextrose ingredients serves the same purpose.

To Fight Fires — You'll find a heavy blanket, especially an old army blanket, mighty useful in that boat of yours. Not only will a blanket make a comfortable seat cushion, but late are times when it also provides much needed warmth. A blanket comes in very handy in case of cold winds, sudden rainstorms, or emergency camping out.

Perhaps most important is its availability to smother gasoline flames. A blanket soaked in water is a mighty potent weapon against a fire.

Motor Care—When you get ready to dock your boat for a few days, leave your outboard motors running while you disconnect the gas line. Your motors then will continue to run until the gas in the carburetor is burned up. Purpose is to drain the carburetor completely.

This will help prevent gum inside the carburetor. Also it will keep the cylinders from sticking when you get ready to start up again.

Another good motor tip especially in cold weather, but a good habit to develop, is to kick the motor over a few times after you tilt it. This will remove all water from the cylinder heads and helps prevent freezing.

Motor Oil—Many an outboard enthusiast learns too late how all-important oil is to the motor. Every outboard gas can says on it, in jumbo type, that you should add one-half pint of oil per gallon of gas. Unfortunately the same instructions also specify one quart of oil for the six gallon can. It doesn't take much of a mathematician to figure that at a half pint per gallon there should be three pints or a quart and a half of oil for every six gallons.

If you think that a quart of oil is enough, just try it for six months. Then take your motor in and have it rebuilt. That's what has happened to a lot of good motors, including a couple belonging to yours truly.

Our advice is to use at least a half pint of oil per gallon of gasoline. Should you use too much oil the only possible harm is fouling up some spark plugs. They can be replaced a lot cheaper than it costs to overhaul a burned out motor.

Gun Care—No equipment lasts forever. But you can prolong life by exercising care and cleanliness. Especially is this true of firearms. Give your gun a thorough going over after every day of firing.

A can of Gilden's silicone will give a nice polish to your gunstock and also improve its appearance tremendously.

East is west and west is east on the 180th meridian.

According to Einstein, time is the fourth dimension.



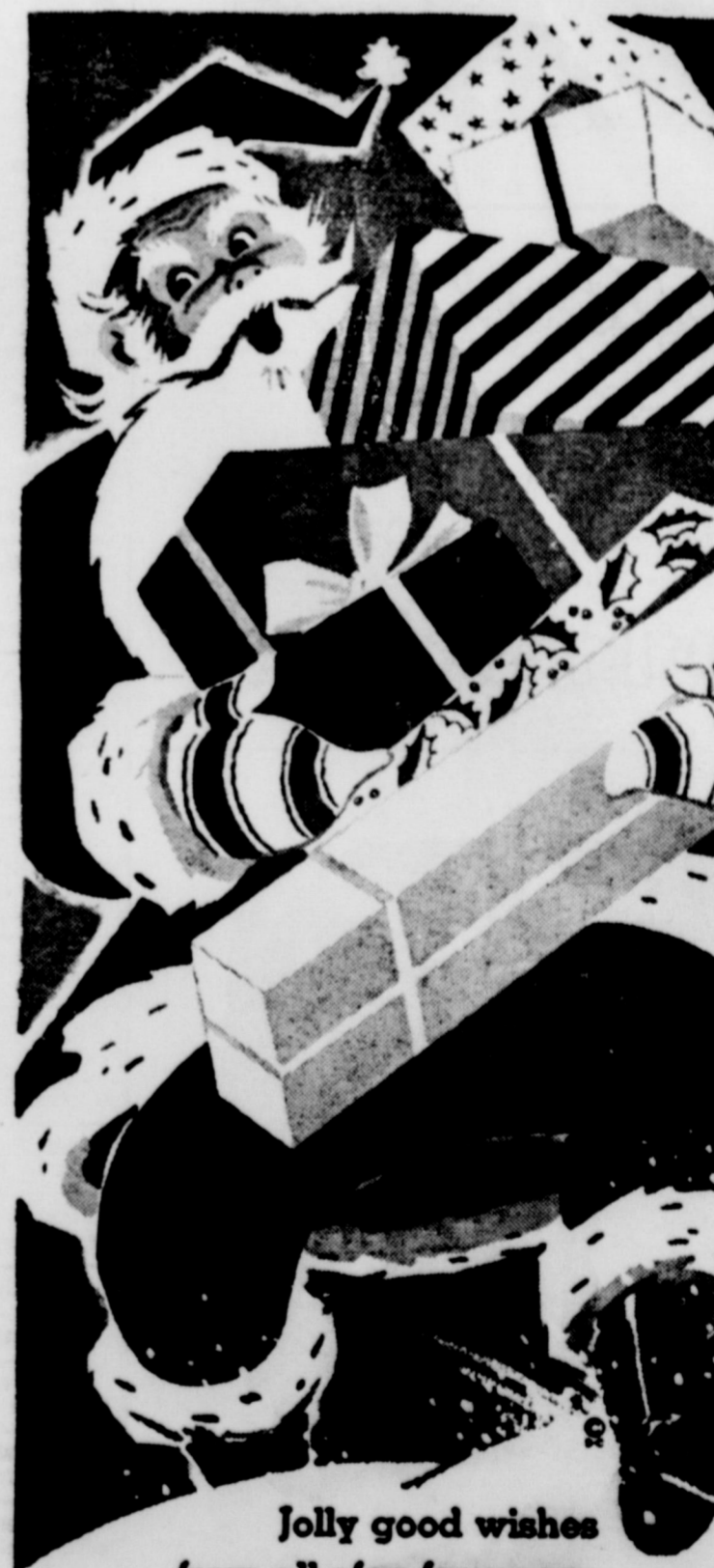
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Christmas Joy

May your holiday abound with lasting happiness— And your heart be filled with the greatest gladness.

TOM LEWIS



Jolly good wishes from all of us for a very MERRY, HEART-WARMING CHRISTMAS!

PANCAKE TRUCK STOP

James Oscar Koenig arrived home Saturday from Fort Chaffee, Arkansas, where he is in training with the Army.

Harold Ingram is home on leave from Fort Carson, Colo. to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Ingram.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Grantham and family are here from Premont to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Payne.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bayley of Goldthwaite visited in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Jack McCarty, Sunday afternoon.

Season's Greetings . . .

The foundation of all business is friendship and it is this loyal friendship that we are grateful for throughout the year.

At this Holiday Season we extend a warm Greeting to you.

May your Christmas be Merry and the New Year bring Health and Happiness.

Opal's Beauty Shop



Mary's Truck Stop Cafe



Greetings
Our Sincere Best
Wishes for a Happy
Holiday to Each of You!

Krell Insurance Agency



CLAUDE FOSTER COUNTY PRECINCT COMMISSIONER

Atwell News

By Mrs. Alton Tatom.

Mr. Wrinkle received a message Wednesday night that his father at Bronte was very ill. We are happy to report he is much improved.

Joroy Bentley from Putnam spent the week end with Jay Hutchins.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Dillard and girls of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Havens and children of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Dupriest and son of Rankin and Mrs. J. D. Goble and children of Cross Plain visited Mr. and Mrs. Ebb Rouse Sunday for a Christmas dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Morgan and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Mindon McWilliams and son and Mrs. Ila Rouse from Baird visited with them in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tatom, Beverly and Kim, visited Mr. and Mrs. Freddy Tatom and sons, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Pillars of Austin visited Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Sessions Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Smith and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Tuff Hutchins Sunday.

ABOUT YOUR HEALTH

You bought your family many more—and vastly more important—gifts this Christmas than those you wrapped in bright paper and ribbon.

You doled out hard-earned tax dollars to buy the gift of good health. Let's see precisely what you got for your money.

Your gift budget this year included more than \$10 million to buy and equip 29 medical care facilities, such as hospitals and diagnostic centers, in areas without them. Your shopping counselor was the Division of Hospital Services at the Texas State Department of Health.

You paid \$13 million to build 13 new sewage treatment plants to give your family the gift of clean, uncontaminated streams. Helping you make the right choice was the Department's Division of Water Pollution Control.

You bought seven Texas cities—all of them under 25,000 population—gifts of comprehensive city plans. By following the plans, cities can grow and expand in a healthy, orderly manner without danger of slum formation.

The bill came to \$230,000. The State Health Department helped you shop for just the right plan for each city.

It cost you \$242,000 to buy a half-billion children the gift of protection from polio this Christmas. If your own children, or you yourself, were among them you can consider yourself fortunate. Many dislaided the gift, and now Christmas holds no meaning for them.

You bought almost \$15,000 worth of relief for many youngsters who would otherwise have had to suffer the pangs of toothache. Your gift counselor in this case was the Division of Dental Health which paid the bills in connection with 15 dental clinics operating over the State.

You and your neighbors gave the gift of hope to 15,000 actual or suspected victims of cancer and heart diseases. It cost you \$120,000 to support 20 different cancer and heart clinics in which despair and anxiety were eased or erased.

Your desire to give your family the gift of good health also took a negative turn. Health department inspectors hired by you condemned almost 700,000 pounds of food and drugs as being unfit for human use.

You spent \$8.5 million this year to see that health services got right down to the community level where our family could get to them. The money paid for equipment and supplies and for salaries of physicians and nurses and sanitarians.

DID YOU KNOW—?

Each U. S. Congressman represents approximately 280,674 people.

A cat's whiskers are delicate sense organs which help him find his way about.

An average bale of cotton weighs 480 pounds.

Pine trees are less likely to be struck by lightning because their resin interferes with their conducting of electricity.

English mailboxes are called pillar posts.

It is warmer to wear two thin garments than one thick one because the air between them serves as insulation.

Columbus died at Valladolid, Spain in 1506.

License number 100 is always reserved for the President's car.

Alexander Graham Bell was 29 years of age when the telephone was patented.

China adopted tea drinking because the water was impure.

The Eskimo dog possesses the bravest fur.

Tungsten has the highest melting point of all metals.

Only as a signal of distress may the American flag be flown upside down.

No species of birds now living have teeth.

Rosin is made from the distillation of turpentine.

Panama is the smallest country in North America.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Fidelis Matron's Sunday School Class Holds Party

The home of Mrs. Peyton Smith was the scene for the annual Christmas party of the Fidelis Matron's Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church Monday night of last week.

Mrs. L. F. Foster brought the devotional.

Gifts were exchanged from a beautifully decorated tree and refreshments of salad, fruit cake, iced tea or coffee were served to the following: Mmes. J. P. McCord, Lela Foster, L. F. Foster, Vernon Falkner, Allie Montgomery, Opal Gattis, A. Webb, A. J. McCuin, Tom Cox, Norrell Long, Otis Purvis, V. L. Hobby, A. B. Dewbre and the teacher, Mrs. Roy Acker.

Dear Santa Claus: We all got together tonight, and asked our Mommy to write you a letter.

Would you please bring us all some new shoes, playthings and something real good to eat?

Oh yes, bring Mommy and Daddy some more switches, as theirs are all used up.

Jimmy, Penny, Charley, Priscilla and Laurie Ann Nichols

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Dear Santa:

Please bring me some cowboy boots, a doll and some blue jeans. Don't forget Freddy and the other children.

Love,
Susan McNeel

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Newton of College Station arrived in Cross Plains Saturday to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McCuin of this city and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Newton at Cross Cut.

Mrs. Harold Dennis of Mineral Wells visited here Sunday afternoon and night with her son and family, Rev. and Mrs. Gordon Dennis and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Von Campbell and granddaughter, Cathy, all of San Angelo visited here Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Payne and Mrs. Mack Campbell. Mrs. Campbell entertained the two families with a Christmas dinner at the noon hour.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fore were Abilene visitors Thursday evening of last week.

John Paul Jones was the first great U. S. Naval hero.



YULETIDE GREETINGS!

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Everyone!

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Thursday, December 25, 1936



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let us reserve a part of our
joyous holiday for thoughts of Him
Who is The Christmas Spirit.

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May this Holy Season bring
you an abundance of happiness!

TEE BAULCH

COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR



Christmas Greetings!
Like the Wise Men of old,
may you find treasures of the
heart and the spirit this Noell!

Dillard 66 Service Station



FOR SALE CHEAP: 3 second-hand monuments; also lots of new monuments. W. J. Cross. 4tc

FOR SALE: Westinghouse electric roaster with timer clock, \$30; portable James dishwasher, \$60; large Sunbeam electric skillet, \$10; bath-room gas heater, \$4; and 2-wheel stock trailer, \$125. Mrs. Joel Mayor. 1tp

BUILDING LOTS: For excellent building lots in the Edgewood Addition, see Jack McCarty at The Review office or call 5-3571.

FOR SALE: 5-room modern house, to be moved. See Mrs. Bob Merryman. 1tc

FOR SALE: Used gas range. Higginbotham's. 1tc

WE WILL BE in this vicinity soon: Two late model spinet pianos and two small student pianos that responsible parties may assume low monthly payments or will discount for cash. Write only: Credit Mgr. McBrayer & Sons Piano Co., 3128 E. Lancaster, Fort Worth, Tex. 2tc

ARTHRTIS?
I have been wonderfully blessed in being restored to active life after being crippled in nearly every joint in my body and with muscular soreness from head to foot. According to medical diagnosis I had Rheumatoid Arthritis and other forms of Rheumatism. For FREE information on how I obtained this wonderful relief write:
MRS. LELA S. WIER
2805 Arbor Hills Drive-W
P. O. Box 2695
Jackson, Mississippi

FOR SALE: My 3-bedroom home located in northeast section of town. See Mrs. C. D. Lane. 1tc

KEEP THIS AD!
Over 25,000 Arthritic and Rheumatic Sufferers have taken this Medicine since it has been on the market. It is inexpensive, can be taken in the home. For Free information give name and address to P. O. Box 826 Hot Springs, Arkansas.

FOR SALE: Ford tractor and equipment, newly overhauled, \$465.; Dodge pickup, '42 model, \$135. Jack Stout, Rt. 1, May, Texas, Phone 8-4256, Rising Star. ttc

WANT TO BUY your pecans: Vaughn Grocery, West Highway 36. 1tc

FOR RENT: Small furnished house. See Cleo C. Joy. 1tc

BUTANE AND PROPANE: For prompt gas service, day or night, call 5-3221. We also have propane for bottle service. Rose Butane Gas Service, one mile east of town on Highway 36, Cross Plains, Texas. 34-ttc

CALL Lovell's Service Station, 5-2151, and have a Western Mattress Company representative call at your home and discuss renovating your old cotton mattresses into new innersprings. Low-priced because we make it in our own factory, you save the middle man's profit. 10 year guarantee. Western Mattress Company. 14-ttc

NOTICE: I am trying to locate someone in the vicinity of Cross Plains who knew my parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McAvay in 1893 or before. Please contact me, Mrs. J. P. Leard, 104 W. Francis, Madill, Okla. 3tc

NO HUNTING OR FISHING on the Owen Ranch. Signed Ludie H. Owens. 12tp.

WANT TO BUY: Good oak wood. Will pay \$5.00 to \$6.00 per rick. Dan Johnston. 1tc

FOR SALE: 15 head mixed blooded cows. All nice cows, 3 with young calves, the others heavy springers. Call 5-4381, Cross Plains, after 5 a.m. 2tc

FOR SALE: Nearly new 10 hp. Johnson outboard motor and 14-t Lone Star boat; 19 head sheep; 500 ft. aluminum sprinkler pipe, 4", 4" and 3" with sprinkler heads and Fairbanks-Morse water pump used one season; also 10 acres of and under irrigation at Lake Brownwood. See Jim Baum. 34-ttc.

FOR SALE: 4-room house with bath, close in. Phone C. H. Dawson, 5-3284. ttc

NO HUNTING OR FISHING on the Owen Ranch. Signed Ludie H. Owens. 12tp.

FOR SALE: Used maple dining room table and six chairs. Higginbotham's. ttc

PECANS-PECANS: We pay highest cash price for your pecans. See Gary Feed Mill. 8tc

TYPEWRITERS: New or used. See us for those Christmas gift typewriters, either portable or standard. Terms can be arranged. The Cross Plains Review. File folders. The Review.

SPECIAL: During the Month of December: 10% discount is being offered on all monuments ordered during the month of December. Will also take livestock in trade on monuments. Contact C. R. Myrick, Cottonwood, Texas. 3tc

FOR SALE: 2 used gas ranges, cheap. W. J. Cross. 4tc

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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PAY TAXES NOW

Payments made before February 1st will not be subject to additional fees for interest and penalties, and to accommodate property owners this office has mailed statement of 1958 taxes.

Don't forget that if you wish to vote during 1959 your poll tax must be paid before February first. You will not want to be disfranchised for the need of a poll tax receipt, so attend to this detail at once. Poll taxes may be paid at the Citizens State Bank in Cross Plains as well as at the office of . . .

TEE BAULCH
Callahan County Tax Assessor-Collector

PIONEER DRIVE-IN THEATRE
Plains - Rising Star Hwy.
Wednesday and Thursday
DEC. 24-25
"Once Upon a Horse"
DAN ROWAN
DICK MARTIN
Friday and Saturday
DEC. 26-27
"Sierra Baron"
BRIAN KEITH
Sunday—Monday—Tuesday
DEC. 28—29—30
"The Bridge on the River Kwai"
WILLIAM HOLDEN
ALEC GUINNESS
Wednesday and Thursday
DEC. 31—JAN. 1
"The Snorkel"
PETER VAN EYCK
BETTA ST. JOHN

Miss Barbara Lynne Lane To Wed Jim McKay, Jan. 24
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lane, 515 N. Bernice, Odessa, are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Barbara Lynne, to Jim McKay of Liberal, Kans., son of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. McKay of Tulsa, Okla.
After their marriage January 24, 1959, the couple will be at home in Liberal.

Miss Lane is the daughter of the former Miss Winnie Coppinger and a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Coppinger of Cross Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fore were Abilene visitors Thursday evening of last week.

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Hornsby Electric Co.

NEW MODERN 2-bedroom home in Clyde, will trade for farm in Cottonwood community. John Estes, Clyde, Texas, Phone 3872. 2tc

FOR SALE: Good used GE washer and nice apartment size gas range. Higginbotham's. 31-ttc

CARD OF THANKS
We are deeply grateful for all the manifestations of kindness and sympathy extended us during my recent illness.
May God bless you.
W. E. BUTLER.

CITATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Rudolph Neeb, if living, and if dead, of the unknown heirs of Rudolph Neeb; Annie Neeb, if living, and if dead, of the unknown heirs of Annie Neeb; Nannie P. Neeb, if living, and if dead, of the unknown heirs of Nannie P. Neeb; Louise Fredrick Neeb, if living, and if dead, of the unknown heirs of Louise Fredrick Neeb; Willie Howard Neeb, if living, and if dead, of the unknown heirs of Willie Howard Neeb; George Charles Neeb, if living, and if dead, of the unknown heirs of George Charles Neeb; Iva Nettie Neeb Baum, if living, and if dead, of the unknown heirs of Iva Nettie Neeb Baum; R. C. Baum, if living, and if dead, of the unknown heirs of R. C. Baum; Nina Paula Neeb Davidson; C. W. Davidson, if living, and if dead, of the unknown heirs of C. W. Davidson; J. B. Neeb, if living, and if dead, of the unknown heirs of J. B. Neeb. Defendants, Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable District Court 42nd Judicial of Callahan County at the Court House thereof, in Bairst, 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 19th day of January A. D. 1959, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 5th day of December A. D. 1958, in this cause, numbered 11,224 on the docket of said court and styled: Anna Mae McNeel Whitmire and husband James Whitmire Plaintiffs, vs. Rudolph Neeb, et al Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit:
This suit is for trespass to try title as well as for damages, and in the alternative for title under the Three, Five, Ten and Twenty-five years Statutes of Limitation, said land being Lots Numbers One (1) and Two (2), in Block No. Thirty-one (31) of the Central Addition to the town of Cross Plains, in Callahan County, Texas, according to the plat of said Addition recorded in the Deed Records of Callahan County, Texas, 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 Bairst, Texas, this 5th day of December A. D. 1958.
Attest:
MRS. CORRIE DRISKILL, Clerk, District Court, Callahan County Texas.
(Seal)

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gist of Calgary, Canada, are spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. W. A. Strickland and husband. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Curry and children of Abilene visited in the Strickland home Thursday night of last week and Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Vaughn and family of Stephenville were visiting here Sunday.

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4-room house, 2 acres in Scranon, Texas.
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4-room house, 1 lot in Cross Plains, Texas.
160 acres lease, 29 head dairy cattle, dairy equipment. Now in operation.
1 1/2 lots Southwest part of town. Priced \$350.00.
3 acres, 5 room house, 2-car garage. Priced \$6,750.00.
3 Lots, 12x18 building; southeast part of town. Price \$450.00.
217 Acres land; good well and windmill; 30 acres cultivation, no minerals, fenced goatproof. Price \$40.00 per acre.
4 1/2 acres, 4 room house. Good water well, out buildings in Haasa, Tex. Priced at \$1,800. Terms.
70 2/3 acres, 15 cultivation, 1/2 minerals, no improvements. Priced \$5.00 per acre.
210 acres, 70 in cultivation, 1/2 minerals, 7-room house, water well and windmill. Priced \$55. per acre.
Old 4 room house to be moved. Price \$250.00
5 room house and lot, block 14 Central Addition. Price \$3,000.00.
W. A. Williams place; 6-room house, 2 lots on North Main St. Price \$4,500.
116 acres, 80 acres in cultivation; 30 dairy cows, 10 springer heifers, 1 15-month-old heifers, 1 Jersey bull, Grade A parlor barn, new 14x60 sheet iron hay barn, implement 20x30, 3-bedroom home, 250-gal. butane tank; good well with jet pump; stock tank; cross-fenced; other improvements; cattle clean, Bangs and T. B. tested.
2 acres and improvements, southwest part of town. Price, \$1,200.00.
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It's time for wide-eyed laughing children, sparkling ornaments, gaiety, and gifts, and for us to send you all of our very best wishes!

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hall

Expert Gives Tips on Social Security Requirements

Would you like to get your first social security check as soon as possible after entitlement? You can help the social security office get your money to you earlier by applying beforehand and by getting the proofs needed together, according to E. R. Tuley Jr., social security district manager in Abilene.

Tuley advised that all persons intending to retire get in touch with the social security office or two months before actual retirement. They should bring with them the papers necessary to establish their rights to benefits. These include the social security card, proof of age, and proof of recent earnings, such as the last W-2 form or last income tax return, with Schedule C or Schedule F and the cancelled check with which the self-employment tax was paid. If the retiring person's wife is 62, she should bring proof of her age. Also, if there are any children under 18, their birth or baptismal certificates, or other proof of age, should be furnished.

Severely disabled persons applying for freeze of social security status, if under 50, or for disability payment, if 50 or over, should bring information about medical examinations and treatment and employment for the past several years.

In death cases, proof of age is needed for all eligible children, widows over 62, and dependent parents. Widows eligible for monthly benefits must furnish proof of marriage. Proof of death must be obtained in all cases.

Tuley cautioned that no one should delay filing his claim because the necessary proofs are not readily available. The social security office will be happy to assist in securing them.

The seven wonders of the modern world are the airplane, radium, antiseptics, antitoxins, X-ray, radio and the telephone.

An avirn was frequently used as a design on Colonial furniture because it was considered a symbol of hospitality.

When the highest section of steel is placed on a large building during construction, the American flag is displayed.

Safety Official Says Driving Is A Privilege—Not A Right

Texas will enjoy a much safer year on its highways in 1960 if every motorist will recognize driving as a privilege, not a right, J. O. Musick, General Manager of the Texas Safety Association, said this week.

"A driver's license entitles one to share the use of public roadways," he pointed out. "It doesn't allow individuals the right to do as they please if their actions interfere with the safe movement of traffic."

"Officials concerned with law enforcement, safety education and engineering activities related to highways hope 1960 will be one of our 'better years' in accident prevention," Musick declared.

"But the key that will unlock a better future is a host of safety-minded individual drivers, proud to be safe drivers," he emphasized.

He declared the state's highway network as a "vast outdoor laboratory wherein every person at the wheel fancies himself as deserving to be at the head of the class when it comes to proving himself a good driver."

"However," he continued, "the accident occurrences continue at a rate which proves that many drivers have not yet learned their lessons well. They are flunking in their tests at the rate of nearly seven persons killed every 24 hours, and more than 300 persons injured in the same period. The economic losses from auto accidents in Texas for 1958 are expected to run to about 270 millions of dollars."

The safety expert added, "We may be starting a brand new year, but we're right smack in the middle of a long, sometimes rough winter season when motorists are put to their toughest test."

Musick urged all drivers to: 1. Think for yourself, and at the same time be on the defensive for possible errors on the part of other drivers.

2. Lengthen distance between vehicles when winter weather turns bad.

3. Give signals to turn well in advance, realizing that the following drivers back of you need longer distances in which to stop on winter road surfaces.

4. When you have to stop, use a light pumping action on slick roads. Jamming on brakes may throw your vehicle out of control.

5. Replace old windshield wiper blades with new, live-rubber ones for clear, streak-free visibility. You must see danger to avoid it.

6. Keep your vehicle in efficient operating condition, paying special attention to vital winter equipment—lights, brakes, tire chains, defroster, windshield wipers, heater and battery.

A day at sea is divided into six periods of four hours each.

The word salary comes from "salarium" meaning salt mine, since Roman soldiers received part of their pay in salt.



VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

May the gifts of happiness grow for you — and give you lasting pleasure!

Norman & Dixie Coffey



Greetings to our Friends

J. B. STRENGTH



To All-Christmas Blessings

HAZEL REYNOLDS

CALLAHAN COUNTY TREASURER



YULE GREETINGS

... best wishes and much joy we send to you, our patrons and friends!

Mrs. Chas. Robinson

CALLAHAN COUNTY CLERK



OH, SILENT AND HOLY NIGHT...

...here's a prayer that our Savior's message..first told so long ago.. will bring comfort and peace to all mankind at Christmas...

LAUNDROMAT



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BEST OF THE SEASON TO YOU AND YOURS!

CORRIE DRISKILL

DISTRICT CLERK — BAIRD, TEXAS



'Tis the season for carol singing, for gay wreaths of holly, glowing candles, and sugar plums. It's Christmas! Time to wish you all the HAPPIEST OF HOLIDAYS

We pause at this busy season of the year to extend our sincere thanks to our many friends and customers for your valued patronage. May the New Year bring you Health, Wealth and Happiness!

CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS

We will close Christmas Eve at 2:00 p.m. and will reopen for business Friday morning, Dec. 26.

NITE & DAY CAFE

ward Gary returned home last week from Tempe, where she visited for a week with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Wood Gary, and made the acquaintance of her new grand-

Thomas Jefferson invented the sliding doors used on our street cars, over 125 years ago

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Jackson of Cisco were visiting friends in Cross Plains Thursday evening.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Typewriter Ribbons. The Review

STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights

by Vern Sanford

TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

Austin—There's the Iron Curtain, the Bamboo Curtain and what might be called the "Oaken Curtain"—those heavy oak doors in the State Capitol and elsewhere that sometimes swing shut when public officials are transacting public business.

Several newspaper organizations are forging a battering ram with which they'll make a run at the "Oaken Curtain" during the next legislative session.

Three measures designed to prevent concealment of public information will be offered. Briefly, here's what the bills would do:

No. 1. Make open to the public at all times all official meetings of all city councils, commissioners courts, legislative committees and state boards, commissions and agencies. Any official found in violation would be liable to a \$100 to \$1,000 fine and removal from office, and the action taken in secret

would be invalid.

No. 2. Make any official who prevents or refuses to permit inspection of a public record liable to a \$100 to \$500 fine and removal from office.

(Neither of the above measures would apply to any meeting or record not open to the public under present laws.)

No. 3. Make any person who takes and carries away a public record "with intent to destroy, suppress, alter or conceal" liable to a three to seven-year prison sentence.

All these measures are being sponsored by the Associated Press Managing Editors Association, and have been endorsed by the Texas Association of Sigma Delta Chi a professional newsmen's organization.

All the bills, said Ed Wischamper of Abilene, APME's freedom of information chairman, are based on the premise "that the public is entitled to know what goes on in the government divisions which levy and spend taxes and whose decisions affect the lives of the people."

Or, from another viewpoint, if it's truly "government of the people, by the people and for the people," there's seldom need to hide it from the people.

Who Meets Secretly—Insofar as Austin is concerned, the most likely targets for freedom of information proposal No. 1 are the Legislative Budget Board and the State Board of Health.

The Budget Board, a joint panel of senators and house members, meets in advance of sessions to thrash out recommendations on how much money to appropriate where. Billions in public money are involved.

Shut-out Capitol pressmen contend the public ought to be in on these decisions.

But Budget Board members point out that it's terribly touchy business at this point and that premature reporting would be like taking the lid off a box of bees. They can't speak frankly, they say, and come to an understanding with reporters present. And besides, the story goes, the Budget Board's report will be made public when it's submitted to the Legislature.

State Board of Health has excluded reporters from sessions in which it decides the allocation of millions in federal hospital-building funds. The Health Board, too, contends that it eventually makes its decisions public. Newsmen complain that the reports are slow in coming in and hard to get.

State Board of Insurance was petitioned by Sigma Delta Chi's Austin Chapter to keep its public records and meetings open. This board promptly replied that it had not and would not attempt to conceal any official acts or hearings.

Some official activities are, by law, conducted in private. Senate meets in executive session when deciding whether to confirm appointments by the governor. Also the Senate committee on nominations. In these sessions discussions involves people—the appointees—in a very personal way. Newsmen recognize this problem.

Also, the deliberations of both grand juries and petit juries are conducted in legal privacy since the reputation of innocent, as well as guilty, persons are involved.

None of these legally confidential activities would be affected by the freedom of information measures.

Going "First Class"—Reconstruction was over, but fence-cutting was causing a lot of trouble in West Texas in 1883.

That was also the year the Legislature finally got around to acting under seven-year-old Constitutional instructions to "as soon as practical, establish, organize and provide for the maintenance, support and direction of a university of the first class."

At the conclusion of its 75th anniversary celebration, a special committee of 75 made a report on its year-long study of progress. It's conclusion: the University "stands on the threshold of true greatness," but is not yet really "first class."

Committee labeled some departments and schools "superior," most just "satisfactory." It recommended more money for research, money to attract professors of world-wide renown, money to hold the talented young professors. It recommended eliminating the "dead weight" of inferior faculty members.

Texas is well able to support these advances, said the Committee. It called on the Legislature not to appropriate income from the University's Permanent Fund for current expenses, but allow the regents to use it for steps toward "excellence."

Desired end product would be, by the 100th anniversary, a university ranking among the top five or six in the nation.

Budget Blues — Texas General Revenue Fund, like many a personal account, is going to be badly in arrears by the first of the year.

Deficit is expected to be about \$40,000,000 by the time the Legislature meets Jan. 13.

General Revenue began the fiscal year in September with about \$13,000,000 on hand. In the months since expenses have consumed this and put the state in the hole at the rate of about \$13,000,000 a month.

State employees have been able to continue cashing their checks only because banks agreed to hold them until the State Treasury gets

money to make them good.

First headache facing the lawmakers will be finding money to pay their own salaries, secretaries, expenses, etc. Possibilities are deficit financing or borrowing from special funds.

Dear Santa:

I love you. I want a bicycle with trainer wheels. I want a basketball and a mother doll, baby doll and a doll bed and a football and helmet and a rug sweeper like my mama's. Bring me anything else you want me to have.

I love you,
Sylvia Graham

Dear Santa:

I am four years old and have tried to be a good boy. I want a Zorro suit, hat and a horn.

With love,
Jay Harris

Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Byrd and Judy and Allen arrived Saturday from Corpus Christi to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Les Byrd at Cross Cut and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McDermott of this city.

Bill Spencer, Bill Mayes, Granvel Scott and Cecil White have returned from a few days deer hunt near Junction.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



May this Christmas be but another happy marker along the road of a good life!

ALBERT LOVELL
SINCLAIR STATION

THE BEST GIFTS

The best gifts are not those we buy, wrap in colored paper and adorn with tinsel, but those we give from the treasures of our hearts and wrap in the intangibles of grace and goodwill.

To little children—Smiles of encouragement and words of cheer as they step, a little bewilderingly, into the first experiences of life;

To youth—A helping hand in their quest for good romance and adventure, without which youth

cannot live;

At an old age—Some opportunity for dreaming dreams;

To life and things of life—Some measure of devotion which will enliven the common ways and ennoble the common tasks;

And to posterity—The legacy of a good name and good work well done.

Hamburger is so called because it originated in Hamburg, Germany.



We'd like to gaily-bedeck your Christmas tree with ornaments of Health, Wealth, and Laughter!

Frozen Food Locker



Christmas is a gift that belongs to us all... but in our merry-making, let us not forget the true meaning of the day!

Rising Star Hospital



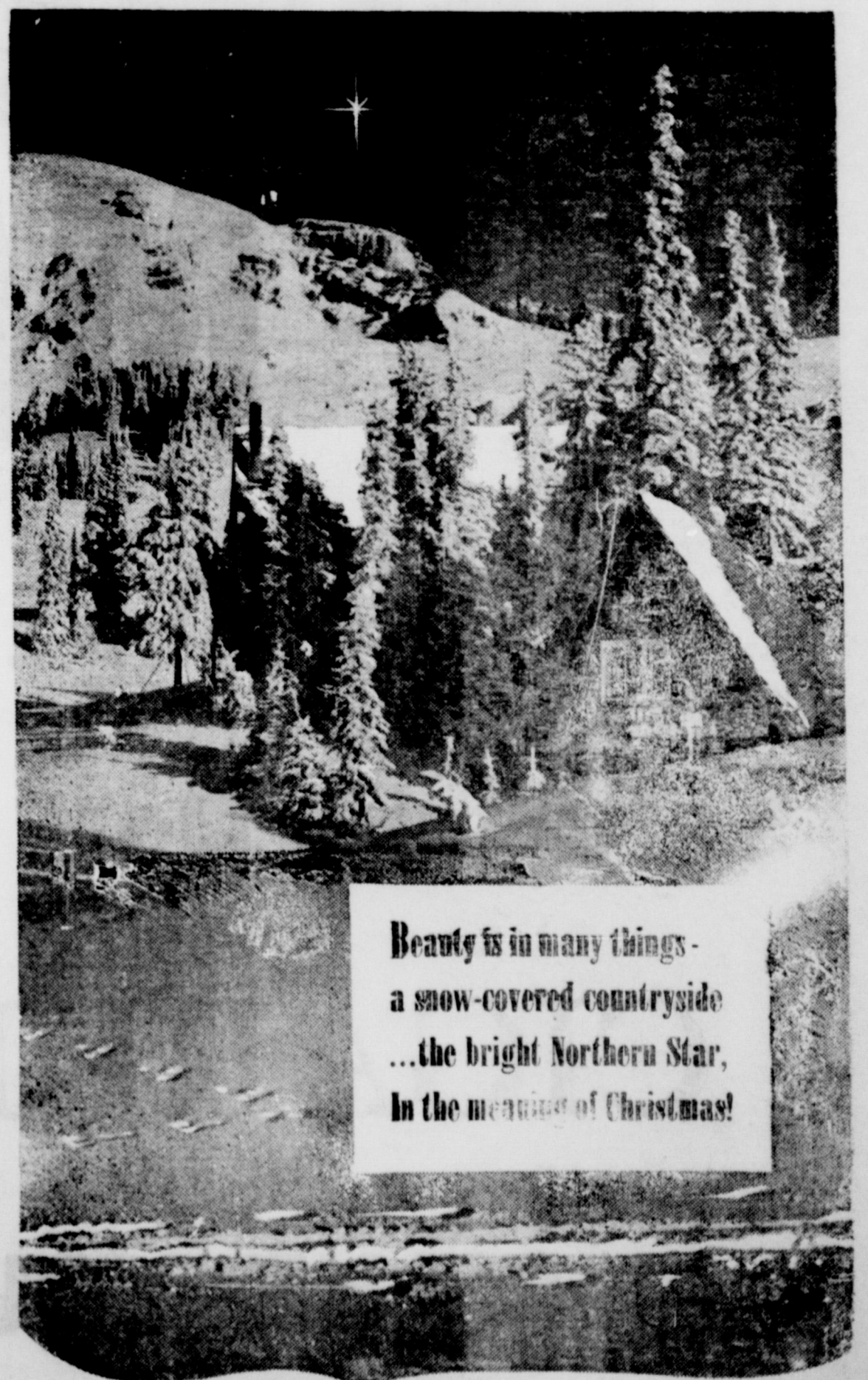
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TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND WONDERFUL CUSTOMERS!

GEORGE HUTCHINS



Beauty is in many things - a snow-covered countryside... the bright Northern Star, in the meaning of Christmas!

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