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SEVENTY-FOURTH YEAR

City Will Begin New Year With Holiday On Saturday

City of Cross Plains will begin 1983 with a holiday for many local stores. Most downtown businesses will shut their doors at closing time Friday and not reopen until Monday morning.

Convenience stores, restaurants, gasoline outlets, full service stations and other concerns located on highways leading into Cross Plains will set individual schedules.

Cross Plains Post Office will be closed Saturday with no mail service in or out, no window service and no rural routes. The same is true, of course, on Sunday.

Citizens State Bank will close early, at 2 p.m. Friday, the day it usually keeps open until 5 p.m. Southern Savings and Loan will close early also, at 3 p.m. instead of its usual 5 o'clock hour.

Both the City of Cross Plains and West Texas Utility Co. Offices advise that they will be closed Friday through Sunday.

Cross Plains Locker Plant will be closed Thursday through Sunday, Dec. 30-Jan. 2.

Higginbotham's has announced

that it will be closed Monday, Jan. 3, to give employees a three-day break, Saturday through Monday.

There may be other concerns which have or will alter schedules not known to this writer.

EVANGELICAL METHODISTS SET REST HOME SERVICES

The Evangelical Methodist Church will be in charge of the regular Sunday afternoon services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home January 2 at 3:30 p.m.

Burned Lines Cause Electrical Outage

An electric outage of about two hours in Cross Plains early Monday morning was caused by lines burning into two parts on East Highway 36 between Avenues C and D.

It was not known why the power interruption happened, but it was thought that something must have hit the lines, causing them to burn. Cross Plains West Texas Utility Co. personnel found the cause and restored power in about two hours even though ice had frozen on lines, poles and vegetation.

The lines were reported to be in the ditch along Highway 36, and not on the highway.

Tax Bills Expected By Middle January

Residents of Callahan County can expect to receive their 1982 ad valorem tax statements by about the middle of January.

That was the opinion of Albert Lovell, Callahan County Tax Assessor-Collector, of Baird on Tuesday.

Tax statements have been delayed this year, and some taxpayers are wondering when the 1982 tax statements will arrive, because normal deadline for paying real and property taxes is January 31.

Lovell stated, "Irregardless of when the statements are finally mailed, the people will have 30

days to pay the taxes before penalty is added."

"The appraisers completed work and got it to us on Tuesday of last week (December 21)," Lovell said, "and extra personnel is augmenting normal staff in readying the information for the computers at this time." The county's tax assessor-collector and appraiser, said that some of the delay was his doing, having the appraisal firm re-check 450 parcels for correction. He added that we wanted to get the statements right as nearly as we could."

The re-appraisal was brought on

by the 1979 Texas Legislature which ruled that all property would be re-appraised by 1982, and it set up county taxing and appraising units.

It is pointed out that the county will also collect Cross Plains Independent School District taxes at its office in Baird. Heretofore each taxing district had its own assessors, collectors and values on property. Only the one value is now set and each taxing district takes that amount and sets its rate.

City of Cross Plains does not presently collect taxes.

Ice Forms 'On Things' In Area Sunday Night

Less than a week after winter officially began man-made objects and vegetation above the ground were covered with ice for a time Sunday and briefly Monday.

The area basked in summer-like days before Christmas, but temperatures cooled as the Yuletide drew nearer and light rain teased the area.

Christmas Day here was cool and the weather continued to deteriorate until freezing rain, sleet fell in the area. Objects above the ground took on a slick, icy appearance Sunday evening and night.

Temperatures did not get cold enough to make the moisture stick on the streets and highways, but gave power and telephone lines, trees and other vegetation a good coating of ice. Driving was never hindered, but warnings were issued to watch for the slick stuff on bridges and overpasses.

The moisture received in the holiday ice covering was gauged by one local person at one-half (.50) inch.

Warming temperatures soon melted the ice on Monday morning.

That rainfall amount increases the total measured here during December to 1.40 inches, and brings the year's aggregate to 24.41 inches.

May had the distinction of being the wettest month, thus far, of 1982 with 6.85 inches being recorded locally. June was close behind with 5.49 more inches. Combined the two accounted for just over half of the year's aggregate.

Driest month was August when only .05 of an inch fell. That was bracketed between two other dry months, July when .75 of an inch was measured and September during which .34 of an inch was reported.

The year's total of 24.41 is just about normal for this section of Texas.

Doctor Is Coming In Near Future

If plans work out, Cross Plains will have a doctor working here in the near future.

Ray Johnson, administrator of the Blackwell Hospital at Gorman, told the Review Tuesday that after the first of the year a physician will be located in Cross Plains through efforts of that hospital.

"We already have office space leased there," Johnson stated. That is the building on West Highway 36 which formerly housed Jones Real Estate and other firms, immediately west of Southern Savings and Loan.

Cross Plains has been without a physician for the past several months when Dr. Carl J. Sohns died unexpectedly.

JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL GAME MOVED TO THURSDAY

Cross Plains Junior High School basketball players and fans are reminded that games scheduled with Rising Star in Buffalo Gymnasium for Monday, Jan. 3, have been re-scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 6.

Four contests are planned, both A and B team boys and girls, and are to start at 4 p.m. with "B" team girls.

The play date was shoved back because of the long lay-off from practice during the Christmas-New Year's holidays.

2 Young Clyde Men Academy Nominees

Two young men from Clyde have been included in a slate of nominees to the United States Service Academies, according to Congressman Charles W. Stenholm.

Mason Kyle Hogan of 8 S. Pleasant Lane has been nominated to the Military Academy at West Point, New York. Joel Dolloff, Route 1, Box 304, received nominations to both the Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colorado, and the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland.

The Academies will now appraise the nominees and select a Principal for admission with Qualified Alternates. Alternates may be given further consideration, depending upon available vacancies.

Christmas Holidays Pass Quietly In This Locality

The Christmas holiday week end passed quietly in the Cross Plains area.

No major traffic mishaps were reported in this immediate area, therefore there was no contribution to the 44 persons who died on Texas streets and highways during the 78-hour holiday period. That was eight less than had been expected, although inclement weather possibly forced drivers to slow down, thus saving lives, it was opined first of the week by Texas Department of Public Safety officials.

According to Colonel Jim Adams, director of the DPS, the DPS Statistical Services Bureau has estimated 43 traffic related deaths during the 78-hour New Year holiday.

Col. Adams said the department will continue to concentrate on DWI enforcement during the holidays.

"Although the accidents caused by DWI are increasing, we are also finding an increase in the arrests for drunken driving. During the first nine months of this year, almost 21 per cent more DWI arrests have been made by the Highway Patrol and that number is increasing," he said.

"We know that many of these tragic deaths will be alcohol-related. But we are finding that the public is rapidly losing sympathy for the drunken driver and is starting to take a dim view of their fellow citizens who insist upon drinking and driving," the DPS director pointed out.

Adams says the DPS is constantly getting telephone calls and letters urging the police to "get the drunks off the road."

"This indicates a significant ground swell of support from the public for stronger DWI legislation, expanded law enforcement efforts and certainty of punishment within the courts. It is high time we look upon the problem as the criminal offense which it really is," he said.

Adams said the public has "simply lost patience with these drivers who endanger themselves and others by driving in an intoxicated condition.

The DPS will continue to conduct its Operation Motorcade during New Years.

"During these specific times when we anticipate heavy volumes of traffic, highway patrol commanders and local police will deploy additional officers as they deem appropriate," he said.

Local Artists Will Watch McMurry Art Head Paint

The Paint & Palette Club will have Sherwood Suter, chairman of the Art Department at McMurry College in Abilene, as guest artist Tuesday, Jan. 4, at 7 p.m. at the Multi-Purpose Center on East 8th Street. Members of the club are urged to be present and bring materials for painting if anyone wishes to paint along with him. Those who do not wish to paint are invited to attend and just watch. Mr. Suter is a very talented man in watercolors and has visited the club before. He was also the judge for the last art show. It was pointed out that visitors are welcome and that the lesson is free.

Mrs. Glenn Vaughn, member of the club, said when urging members to attend, "When you don't attend you miss a great lesson. We try to get the best artist we can find, so please come. Mrs. Vaughn continued, "We pay for these artists by having bake sales, and we appreciate and thank those who help by buying our cakes and pies. We also thank the members and Dessa Higgins for their donations of baked goods. Without each of you, the sale would not be a success."

A list of materials needed will be posted at the Double SS Art Gallery.

Local Library Adds 5 Titles Through Gifts

"The Santa Claus Book" by Perkes Alden was given to the Cross Plains Public Library last week by Dustin and Blake Callaway in memory of their grandfather, the late Grady Clark of this city.

Books recently purchased by the library, according to Naomi McCowen, librarian, included: "Border Healing Woman" by Pat E. Taylor, "Pioneer Days" and "Catawba Country" by Kathryn Duff.

Miss McCowen reported that 108 books were checked out this past week.

Visiting during the holidays with Claudie Mae Watkins were her sons, Terry of New Orleans, La., Don of Fairfield and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Watkins of Eastland.

Trade At Home — Save Money

D.P.S. Gives Tips About Winter Driving Hazards

Snow and ice make winter driving hazardous; however, they should not be regarded as an excuse for an accident, according to Wendell Rehm, Safety Education Officer for the Texas Department of Public Safety. It is the duty of all drivers to recognize and adjust to any adverse driving situation, Rehm said.

Two of the main causes of winter accidents are reduced visibility and loss of traction.

The old established saying of "Don't be a peephole driver" should be taken to heart. Until the heater and defroster warm enough to clear your windshield you will have traveled several miles with reduced visibility. Rehm said, "Be fair to yourself and others by clearing all of your windows so you can recognize hazards when they first appear."

After your windshield is clear, it is just as important to keep it clear. Make certain your heater and defroster are working properly before the need arises. Make sure you have good wiper blades on your automobile at all times, Rehm said.

At slower speeds, the grip between your tires and the road's surface is increased. If the road surface is wet and the temperature is at or near the freezing mark, expect ice to be on bridges and overpasses. Ice will form there much sooner than it will on other sections of the roadway, Rehm said.

Reduce your speed well in advance of any intersection. Anticipate the light up ahead turning red at the last moment and then you would be ready to stop. If the roadway is icy and the vehicle approaching on the side street begins to slide, you may be able to stop to avoid the collision. Never slam on your brakes on icy pavement. Pump your brakes gently to bring your vehicle to a stop to prevent a skid.

Stay well back of the car ahead of you. According to Rehm it takes from 3 to 12 times more distance to bring your vehicle to a stop on snow or ice than on dry pavement.

Remember, caution is the best defense against winter weather, in starting as well as stopping, he said.

Rehm said, "Drivers should not hesitate to turn on the headlights of their vehicles." He said, "Too often drivers think only of their headlights as providing them with the ability to be seen."

AARP CHAPTER SLATES MEETING NEXT MONDAY

On Monday, Jan. 3, AARP will meet at the Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center in regular session with the business meeting beginning at 11 a.m. followed by a covered dish luncheon at noon.

Of special interest in the afternoon is the program, a film to be shown of California's very beautiful Yosemite National Park.

Anyone 55 or older is invited to become a member or come as a visitor.

CLASSES RESUME MONDAY AFTER 2 WEEKS BREAK

Classes at Cross Plains Schools will resume on regular schedule Monday, Jan. 3, after a two-week Christmas-New Year's break for students and teachers.

Barring inclement weather, buses will run on schedule, cafeteria will serve breakfast and lunch and all classes will be met.

There is two weeks left in the third six weeks period.

Visiting during the Christmas holidays with Naoma McClure was her son, Tommy McClure of Fort Worth. He also visited with Kenneth and Clara Hanke.

Pioneer Cemetery's Recent Gifts Are Told

The Pioneer Historical Association has recently received four contributions, according to word from Mrs. James (Jean) Alexander, secretary-treasurer of the organization, which oversees funds which provide interest to permanently maintain the Pioneer Cemetery.

She listed the contributions as coming from the following: Maj. Gen. (Ret.) and Mrs. Wesley Peel, Ted Tharp, Mrs. Walker and Cornelia Hanks.

Mrs. Alexander expressed her appreciation to the most recent donors, those through the year and in past times for support of the cemetery.

Persons who wish to help with perpetual care of the cemetery at Pioneer may send contributions to Mrs. Alexander at Route 1, Box 234, Rising Star, Texas 76471.

COUPLE ENTERTAIN AT EAGER HOME CHRISTMAS

Visiting in the Eager home on Christmas Day were Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Wiginton, Mr. and Mrs. Huey Wiginton and Mr. and Mrs. Randal Wiginton, Clark and Daniel.

Randal Wiginton and his wife, Gloria, so graciously entertained the family in the afternoon by giving the most beautiful music on their instruments, the violin and viola playing duets of Christmas carols, which were enjoyed by all.

Callahan 4-H Food Show Winners Are Revealed

Callahan County 4-H Food Show in three classes was held in three divisions at Clyde on December 18.

Jean Holland, extension agent—home economics, listed the following winners in senior, junior and beginner divisions.

Senior Division—Bread and Cereal: Lori Smith, blue, district.

Fruit & Vegetable: Georgeanne Acklin, blue, district.

Main Dish: Jenny Lowe, blue, district.

Snacks and Desserts: Kathleen Ford, blue, district.

Junior Division—Main Dish: Nancy Greenhaw, blue; Leann Naizer, blue; Betsy King, blue, district; Lorie Owens, blue, alternate to district; Paula LeAnn Rose, blue.

Snacks and Desserts: Michelle Fisher, blue; Tessa Bean, blue; Wendy Bradshaw, blue; Melissa Volgtz, blue, alternate to district;

Becky Brown, blue; Deborah Fiscus, blue, district.

Fruit and Vegetables: Tonya Johnson, blue, district; Velesha Schrader, blue, alternate to district.

Beginner Division—Main Dish: Crissy Rogers, blue. Snacks and Desserts: Lory Cherry, blue.

Leaders for Callahan County 4-H Foods and Nutrition Projects are, according to the agent: Mattie Hettinger, Vicki Smith, Winona Johnson, Jan Greenhaw, Mrs. Clea Hatley, Ann Ford, Mary Gardner, Twalla Simmons, Virginia Lee, Joy Fiscus, Patricia Fisher, Vickie Voigts, Barbara McKennon, Nita Windham, Clara Schlittler, Barbara Lowe and Darlene King.

Judges were listed for the show as Christi Ehrler of Coleman and the following from Abilene: Sharon Qualls, Leta Marsh, Traci Merkel, Laurie Wolford and Lesa Gibbs.

**CHRISTMAS EVE GUESTS
IN LOCAL HOME TOLD**

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Pattison and Lori of Del Rio were among guests in the home of Mrs. Ruby McCowen. Bobby Jack McCowen and Naomi McCowen here Christmas Eve. Mrs. Pattison will be remembered as the former Diane McCowen.

Accompanying the Pattisons here were her father, Paul McCowen, and his son, David Paul, both of Abilene, and Bobby Jack McCowen's son, Ronald, and

**LOCAL FIRM FILES SITE
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Benner & Scott from Cross Plains filed application to drill No. 1 Heyser as a Callahan County wildcat nine miles south of Putnam.

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daughter, Tina, also both of Abilene.

Cottonwood News

By Beverly Brown

Happy 1983 to each and every one. May the New Year be prosperous, filled with love, happiness and good health. Each new day is what we, as individuals, make it. A time for making new resolutions for the upcoming 1983. Resolutions are easily cast aside or put off or forgotten, so this year why not make it your commitment list. (Just a thought for today.)

Last Wednesday, Mr. and Mrs. Wes Holcomb of Cross Plains and their grandsons from Abilene, Shane and Dale Clark were out to see Mrs. Ethel Anderson. On Friday Mrs. Teri Brown and Mrs. Wayne Brown dropped by to wish her a Merry Christmas.

There were several names that missed printing in the birthday list of Mrs. Ethel Anderson last week. Among the guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Rod Renfro and Carrie and Sonya Renfro of Cross Plains; Mr. Bill Smith of Cottonwood and Douglas McCorkle of

Abilene. Family and kinfolks gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nickerson, Sr. on Christmas Day and for dinner were: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nickerson, Jr. and family and Glynn Nickerson of Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Randall Franke and family of Cross Plains; Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hines and son of Brownwood; Mr. and Mrs. Herman Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kelly and son, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Kelly and family of Cottonwood and Mr. Dennis Kelly of Cross Plains.

Mrs. Teri Brown of Baytown spent last week and Christmas morning with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Brown. She attended services at the Cottonwood Baptist Church with the family Sunday and went caroling with the group. On Thursday the trio visited with Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Fillmon and Laura in Abilene and with Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Walker and Clarissa of Dalhart, who was visiting with his sister. The Fillmon and Walker families were spending Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Walker in Burkett.

In the home of Mr. and Mrs. Zeke Blackstock, Larry, Macha, Gayle and Benji for the Christmas holiday and festivities were Jamie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stevens of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Standard of Austin and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Niederdecker of Granbury.

During the holiday Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Clark had their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Robinson of Clyde and Mr. Bill Varner of Abilene in their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Butch Waggoner, Brian, Bradley and Brooke of China Springs arrived last Thursday and week end with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Knox Waggoner and family members in the Clyde and Baird area. On Christmas Eve the family visited in the home of Knox's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Waggoner and family, gathered for the evening festivities.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Wise of Broken Bow, Okla., spent from Friday through the Christmas hol-

iday with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Albrecht and children. The couple left early Sunday morning to go to Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Dale Clark came out early Christmas morning to be with their daughter and sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Kelly, Coby and Misty.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kelly had all their children with them this holiday and for Sunday, Mr. Dennis Kelly of Cross Plains and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Kelly and children and Keith, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Weaver stopped by early Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rogers of Houston were here for the holiday with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Rogers and Craig, Jr.

Doctor and Mrs. J. O. Williams have some of their children and grandchildren in and coming for the holiday activities. Those here are Priscilla and Bill Sullivan of Austin and Albuquerque, N. M., and James Anderson of Abilene; Paul Williams and daughter, Nora of Lubbock. (Olivia and Dylan, Virgin Islands are to arrive some time this Monday), and Mr. J. L. Crowley of Cottonwood, Laura's father.

Doctor and Mrs. Jack Suggs of Fort Worth came by Sunday and visited with the J. O. Williams family. They brought Yvonne and David to be with the family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Barnett and their daughter, Carolyn Kennedy and children spent Christmas Day at the home of her sister, Jean Rohus in Comanche, with other members of Billie's family gathering. Those attending were: Jewel Rogers of Oklahoma City, Okla.; Paul and Margie Day of Decatur; Charlie and Kay Rohus of Big Spring and Jimmy and Vickie Swinney and Stephanie of Merkel. On Christmas Eve, R. L. and Billie had all their children, Carolyn Kennedy, Seba, Paula and Todd, Larry Barnett and Allan and Barbara Barnett, Michael and Jeremy in their home with them.

Lillie and Blanton Childers had most of their children home for Christmas. R. D. and Sharon and boys, Shane and Todd of Scran-

**Army Commends
Lt. Carol J. Baker**

First Lt. Carol J. Baker, daughter of Harold and Rosie Holden of Clyde, has been decorated with the U. S. Army Commendation Medal at Fort Riley, Kan.

The Army Commendation Medal is awarded to those individuals who demonstrate outstanding achievement or meritorious service in the performance of their duties on behalf of the Army.

Baker is chief of clinical dietetics with the Medical Department Activity.

Her husband, Army First Lieutenant Len Baker, is the son of Julia L. Wilson of Trent.

She is a 1974 graduate of Abilene Christian University.

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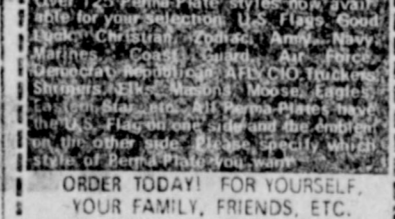
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A grateful family wishes to express sincere thanks to each of you who were so kind and thoughtful of us upon the loss of our brother. Your prayers, flowers, cards, calls and each expression of sympathy were deeply appreciated by all of us. Thank you for everything.
Mr. and Mrs. Everett Wright, Mr. and Mrs. John Howard Balkum, Alma Armstrong and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Clark.

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I wish to express my sincere appreciation to each of you who remembered me while I was in the hospital and since returning home. The flowers, cards, calls and your concern were deeply appreciated and will be long remembered. Thank you, friends and neighbors.
Mrs. Doss Alexander.

Rising Star Church
Hosting Fellowship
The Assembly of God Church at Rising Star will be host church for a fellowship Tuesday, Jan. 4, beginning at 7 p.m.
The fellowship was designed to promote better understanding among churches, according to Mrs. Charlie (Ruby) McCowen, local spokesman for the gathering.
Rev. Vernon McGinn and Mrs. McGinn, pastors of the host church, located across from Rising Star Nursing Home, invited all members of the other two churches presently committed to participating in the undertaking, Pioneer Pentecostal Church and the Old Time Gospel Mission (the Rock Church) in Cross Plains.
Mrs. McCowen explained that everyone is welcome.

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Pioneer News Items

By Gail Flippin

Pioneer Burial For Willie Ann Hughes

Funeral was held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Higginbotham Funeral Home in Rising Star for Willie Ann Hughes, 81, of Rising Star, mother of Frances Wolf, business coordinator of Colonial Oaks Nursing Home in Cross Plains and well known here.

Mrs. Hughes died at 11:30 p.m. Sunday at Colonial Oaks.

Officiating the final rites was Marshall McDonald of Cisco, Church of Christ minister.

Burial was in the Pioneer Cemetery.

Born Jan. 26, 1901, in Athens, Texas, she married Bryan Hughes, Dec. 4, 1921, at Rising Star. He died in July 1950. She was a homemaker and a Church of Christ member.

She is survived by a son, Boyd of Odessa; two daughters, Frances Wolf and Theresa Lewis, both of Rising Star; a brother, George Boyd of Hobbs, N. M.; eight grandchildren and 14 great-grand-

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Dill this past week were Ellowayne Tatom, L. A. Richardson, Collis and Vergie Eager, Eunice Starr, Aaron Jaggars, Bobbie Johnston and granddaughters, Jami and Lisa, the Dill's son, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Dill of Kingsland, Alton McCowen, Dona McCowen, Jimmy Coffey and daughter, Susan of Irving and Skeet Walker of the community.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Walker and girls spent Christmas Day in the home of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Walker and family in Rising Star. His father, Vernon Walker of Rising Star also visited in the home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Morgan and children of Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Morgan of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Franke and children of Smithville visited during the holidays with their mother, Destene Morgan and other relatives.

Those visiting over the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sessums were Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Henry, Lisa and Sharon of Bloomington, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Clarke, Angela, Randy and Roby of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Sessums, Jr. of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Mike Stretch of Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Allen Talbot of Killeen, and Mr. and Mrs. David Witherspoon and Rachel of Lancaster, Rachel, Bill and Gladys' granddaughter, is spending a week or so with them.

Lottie Sooter's holiday visitors were her son, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Sooter of Sonora, Calif. Her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jane Dixon of Monroe, La.; her sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wyley Baker of Missoula, Mont.; Lottie's son, Mr. and Mrs. Don Sooter and children of Abilene and also Lottie's children from Shallowater were there.

Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Halsell on Christmas Day were Drs. Lou and Charles Rodenburg of Abilene; also Sue, Amanda and David Taylor of Denton.

Mr. and Mrs. Tillotson visited them during the week.

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Halsell visited a niece and nephew, P. C. and Edith Carr and his sister, Eula Mae Wilmore of Aspermont at the Carrs' home in the Williams community.

The J. T. Beggses had their children with them over Christmas. They and Mr. and Mrs. Kim Beggs and her son, David, Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Beggs and daughters of Lometa and Mr. and Mrs. Rex Beggs and family of Cross Plains.

David Beggs of Eastland spent Wednesday night with J. T. and Betty.

Mr. and Mrs. Tan Flippin visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Flippin over the holidays. Tan and Janet are both college students at Tarleton State University in Stephenville.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Flippin, Tye and Tamara, Tan and Janet spent Christmas Day in Brownwood visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Rutledge and her sister, Mrs. James Moore, Gay, Kerri and Jerry.

There were 40 present at a big after Christmas chili, red bean, cornbread, etc. dinner held at Mrs. Winona Flippin's home Sunday.

Our sympathy goes out to Mr. and Mrs. James Wolf and family over the loss of Frances' mother, Mrs. Hughes of Rising Star.

Ethel Brown is sick with the flu. We do hope she gets to feeling well fast. Her visitors this past week were James and Virginia Brown of Fort Worth; also Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Dean, Mr. and Mrs. Tillotson and Mr. and Mrs. Foster.

Those visiting in the Jim Fleming home over Christmas were the Glenn Fleming family of Pampa, the Jerry Fleming family of McLean, the Bill Watson family of Pampa, Joe and Nell Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. John Watson and other relatives. All together there were 26 of them.

The Jim Flemings visited Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Carr recently.

Gene Rankin and family of Abilene spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Rankin. June and Jay's sister from Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barnhill, also visited them.

Over the Christmas holidays those visiting in the Tommy King

home were Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Anderson of Abilene; Jo, Staci, Todd and Guy Watson of Abilene; Ethel Anderson; Loma Atwood, Mr. and Mrs. Lester King and Jerry, Billie Edington and Eddie of Albany; Russ and Treca Border of Grapevine and Gill and Lecia Becker of Cuero.

Rev. Stan Coleman of Fort Worth and James and Dorothy Reynolds visited in the E. J. Flippin home Monday night.

Mrs. A. C. Halsell will write the news next week. Call her at 725-6458.

Funeral services for Thurman Armstrong of Tyler, brother of three Cross Plains ladies, was held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at Lloyd James Funeral Home chapel in that city.

Mr. Armstrong, 75-year-old independent oil operator, died Tuesday morning after a short illness.

Officiating the final rites were the Rev. James T. Garrett and the Rev. Wayne H. McClesky.

Burial was in the Ebenezer Cemetery in Arp.

He was born July 29, 1907, in Eastland County the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Armstrong.

He was a graduate of Pioneer High School with the class of '27 and attended Eastland Junior College. He was a past president of Arp State Bank, and he was a member of Marvin United Methodist Church, The Plaza Club and Tyler Petroleum Club. He was a Mason and member of Sharon Temple Shrine.

Survivors include his wife, Marguerite Armstrong of Tyler; a daughter, Julia Hurst, of Houston; three grandchildren, Deborah Charles and Julianne, all of Houston; and four sisters, Mrs. John Howard Balkum, Mrs. Everett Wright and Miss Alma Armstrong, all of Cross Plains, and Mrs. Joe Clark of Dallas.

Pallbearers were Kenneth W. Hurst, Archie D. Francis, Leonard Shouits, Vernon Redd, Dr. C. E. Willingham, Edward E. Downing, Tom Lyles, Ben Goodwin, J. G. Lester and E. B. Yale.

Attending the funeral from here were Mr. and Mrs. Everett Wright, Mr. and Mrs. John Howard Balkum, Alma Armstrong and Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Clark.

James Eubanks Head Of U. S. Bond Panel

James Eubanks has accepted an appointment from the Department of the Treasury to serve as a volunteer for Callahan County U. S. Savings Bond Committee. Mr. Eubanks is Executive Vice-President of the First National Bank of Baird.

In announcing Mr. Eubanks' appointment, John W. Dixon, chairman of the Texas Savings Bonds Committee, remarked that "His business experience and active participation in community affairs will be valuable in his volunteer services as Callahan County chairman, especially in these times when the United States Savings Bonds Program takes on increasing importance in helping to keep our nation economically strong and secure."

As Callahan County chairman, Eubanks will work with other community leaders in a year-round program to encourage the increased purchases of Savings Bonds at banks and on the Payroll Savings Plan.

Eubanks has been active in many community affairs over the years.

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Bennie Preas Rites At Coleman Cemetery

By Lovera Strickland

Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. Wednesday of last week at Coleman City Cemetery for Mrs. Coleman (Bennie) Preas, 57, of San Angelo, formerly of Coleman.

Mrs. Preas died at St. John's Hospital in San Angelo at 12:15 p.m. Monday of last week.

Officiating the final rites was Paul Hubbard, pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist Church in Coleman. Arrangements were under the direction of Henderson Funeral Home.

Born April 16, 1925, in Burkett, where she attended school, she married Coleman Preas Sept. 2, 1947, in Coleman. She lived in Coleman for most of her life, before moving to San Angelo in 1975. She was a homemaker and a member of the Baptist Church.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Peggy Oliver of San Antonio; a son, Ricky of Bangs; a sister, Mrs. Mae Preas of San Angelo; a brother, Harvey Koenig of San Angelo, and seven grandchildren.

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School Menus

Following are the menus scheduled to be served at Cross Plains School Cafeteria Monday through Wednesday, Jan. 3-5 for lunch and breakfast, according to Mrs. Troy Stone, cafeteria supervisor.

She emphasized the foods listed are subject to deliveries of the correct items at the right time.

Noon meal was listed as follows on the designated days.

Monday: Steak, gravy, green beans, mashed potatoes, peaches, rolls and milk.

Tuesday: Corney dog, pinto beans, spinach, cobbler, cornbread and milk.

Wednesday: Spaghetti, salad carrots, jello, garlic rolls and milk.

Breakfast bill-of-fare for January 3, 4 and 5 follows.

Monday: Waffles, bacon, butter-syrup, juice and milk.

Tuesday: Oats, toast, juice and milk.

Wednesday: Hash browns, sausage, biscuits-honey, juice and milk.

Having Christmas dinner with Valerie Rouse were Mr. and Mrs. Buell Wynn and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Burkett of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Dupriest, Mr. and Mrs. James (Bim) Goble, Cindy, Rhonda, Bonnie and Jimmy of Rankin, Gary Dupriest of Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Lewis, Jami and J. J. of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Griffith, April, Nikki and Mikki of Noodle and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Dillard, Randy Dillard, Vicki and Amber Williams and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Goble all of Cross Plains.

Visiting here with Mr. and Mrs. Roger Watson and Aunt Pearl were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Watson, Kelly and Alan of Eaton Rouge, La. and Mr. and Mrs. Max Watson of Houston. Mr. and Mrs. Phelix Watson of Abilene visited them on Christmas Eve.

David Dallas of Arlington and son, John, student at the University of Texas at Austin, were among those spending the Christmas holidays here with their mother and grandmother, Mrs. J. B. (Jake) Dallas.

Mrs. Kathryn Morris and Lee and Mary, spent Christmas holidays in Fort Worth with their other daughter and sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Thayer, Shawn and Josh. They returned to their home here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robby Bailey and son, Clinton, spent Christmas week end in Boyd with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mickie Huffman, and her brother, Steve and family of Alta Loma and Randy of Boyd.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Franke, Chad and Brooke of Smithville visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Franke and family during the holidays.

DAUGHTER IS BORN DEC. 22 TO MR. & MRS. TREY MEIRON

Dustin Mitchell Meiron is proud to announce the arrival of his sister, Lindsey Danielle, on Wednesday, Dec. 22. She weighed 9 pounds and was 21 inches long. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Vincent (Trey) Meiron III of Breimerton, Wash.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Vince Meiron, Jr., of Pioneer. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dominv of Cross Plains, and Mr. and Mrs. George (Buddy) McCorkle of Brownwood.

Great-grandparents are Vincent (Bill) Meiron, Sr. of Pioneer and Era King of Abilene.

Great-grandmother is Bertie Allen of Bangs.

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Burkett News Items

By Lovera Strickland

We will try to have more news next week. We hope everyone had a Very Merry Christmas. Hope they have a happy New Year. Don't forget to eat your black-eyed peas and jowl.

Mina Wright of Coleman spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strickland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Strawn visited Mr. and Mrs. Lat Mountain, Montie Jennings and Lula Havener one afternoon last week.

Jack and Zora DeBusk and in Kerrville for Christmas. They and the Pat DeBusk family were guests in the home of Mrs. Sally Parrish. Pat and Andrew returned to Burkett with the DeBusks for a short visit. The Tommy Estes of Abilene were in Burkett during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Boyle spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Strickland and family in Snyder.

Mrs. Tommie Strickland of Snyder and Mrs. Lyn Broch of Midland visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Strickland Sunday morning.

John Walker and daughter Kim, of Lampasas came last Friday and Pete and Irma Walker returned home with them and stayed until Sunday. Jim and Elva Walker brought them home. They visited Pete's sisters in Lampasas also. Pete reported they were both doing real well.

Pat and Johnnie O'Brien, Michael and Jennifer spent Christmas afternoon and night with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Neff and Buel. They celebrated Christmas together by having a big after Christmas dinner with lots of fun, fellowship and lots of good food.

Hulon and Ricky Harris visited Mrs. Quinn Harris last week. Lillian entered the hospital Sunday evening for tests. Hope she is home real soon. Mr. and Mrs. Grady Harris of Arenas Pass are with her this week.

Mrs. A. H. Carroll is on the sick list this week also.

Pauline and Lanette Burns spent the Christmas holidays in Round Rock with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Burns and girls and Mrs. Caroline Sanders and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lat Mountain and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Strickland met Eureka Whitley of San Saba and Lana Ketchum and boys of Midland in Brownwood last Wednesday for a short visit.

Christmas Day dinner guests in the A. B. Foster home were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Smith, Ricky and Ricky Lee of Lake Brownwood, Mr. and Mrs. George Webb, Jr., Butch, Teri and Kim, Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Worley, Jessie and Rodney Smith of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Bevelyn Foster and Tonya of Seagoville, Jessie Sparks and Shawn Weatherford of Comanche, and Mr. and Mrs. Ron Maston of Bedford.

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State Capital HIGHLIGHTS
 By Lyndell Williams

The leaders of five heavily hispanic community groups got a boost this week in their efforts to more than double the amount of equalization aid the state pays to poor districts.

The groups, led by San Antonio's Communities Organized for Public Service, gained the support of the men who will be the state's top three elected officials—Gov.-elect Mark White, Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby and House Speaker-apparent Gib Lewis.

White, Lewis and Hobby not only agreed to support an increase in equalization aid, the funding that is intended to make poor school districts more equal with richer districts, the men also agreed to help the groups plan their strategy for getting the proposal through the Legislature.

The officials, however, stopped short of endorsing the proposal as written.

Under the COPS plan, the equalization funding would increase from \$360 per pupil to \$550 per pupil for the next two years and to the state average for expenditures per pupil by 1986.

The current state average is about \$750 per student.

White promised to rank the proposal as a top priority of his administration along with bringing down utility rates.

Hobby, however, said the funding levels COPS has proposed may not be feasible. Hobby pointed out that the Legislative Budget Board has proposed increases of only \$30 and \$60 for the next two years.

Other components of the COPS education proposal including increasing funds for bilingual education, providing impact aid to school districts with students whose parents are illegal aliens and providing state funds to make up for cutbacks in federal impact aid for districts with large military populations.

Water Proposal
 The Texas Energy and Natural Resources Advisory Council has put off action on a resolution that contains some 20 policy recommendations to assist revision of the state water plan.

TENRAC accepted the resolution for further study but backed off final adoption of the document.

TENRAC is participating in the effort to revise the Texas Water Plan, which was drafted in 1969. Also working on the revision are the Texas Department of Water Resources and the Governor's Water Task Force.

Included in the resolution are recommendations that the Legislature provide for assessment of a withdrawal fee for the use of state surface waters, that TDWR be given exclusive jurisdiction over management, regulatory and enforcement and surface water reinforcement functions to protect sources and that the Legislature provide a loan program for flood prevention and control.

Adoption of the proposal now will be delayed until sometime

next year.

Election Law Revision
 While the water recommendations stalled before TENRAC, Secretary of State David Dean was releasing recommendations for sweeping changes in Texas election laws.

Dean has recommended that the election of all statewide officials be moved to all in the same year as presidential elections. When the terms of statewide officers were expanded from two to four years the elections were thrown into off-year elections.

Dean says the change would increase voter turnout and encourage maximum participation in state elections.

Other recommendations by Dean included unitary primaries, mandatory presidential preference primaries in May of presidential-election years, voter initiative and the voting requirements for amending the state constitution.

The heavily Democratic Legislature is not likely to approve Dean's recommendation when it would mean cutting the terms of a full slate of Democratic officeholders by two years to coincide with the 1984 presidential election.

Nativity Scene
 All around the Capitol, everyone has been filled with the spirit of the holidays.

Everyone, that is, except Austin atheist Madalyn Murray O'Hair, who was planning a final attack on the annual Christmas nativity scene in the Capitol Rotunda.

The nativity scene and a Christmas tree are set up every year in the Rotunda by the Texas Public Employees Association but O'Hair has been trying to do away with the tradition since 1978. She contends it violates the separation between church and state.

Now, O'Hair says a U. S. appeals court in Boston has handed down a decision in a Rhode Island case that will force lower courts across the country to outlaw all government-sponsored religious activities.

O'Hair plans to file suit to challenge the nativity scene sometime next year, but TPEA members say they have no intention of taking down the plastic figures of Mary, Joseph and the baby Jesus.

Says O'Hair: "They're beat and they know it, so let them have their tacky Jesus this year."

Mrs. Carl Marsh spent Christmas with her son and his wife. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Butler in Ardmore, Okla.

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Mr. and Mrs. Mickie Huffman of Boyd and Steve Huffman of Alta Loma visited their daughter and sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robby Bailey and Clinton, here a few days last week.
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Esther Johnson of this city had an early Christmas, spending it with her granddaughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Beard, and their daughter, Sherri, at Lorena on the week end of December 18.

Both of Mrs. Johnson's daughters were there, Reecie Golden of Gatesville, and Jo Upton and husband, Harry, from Richardson. Others present included Bobby Golden and wife, Karen, of Groesback; Cliff Greenbauer and wife, Penny, from Baton Rouge, La.; Scott Greenbauer of Texas A&M University at Bryan, and Scott's fiancée, Tammy Anderson, of McGregor.

Cattle Lice Control Time Arrives Says County Agent

It's the time of year when the nation's cattlemen need to put up their guard against a pest that annually pilfers their pocketbooks of \$100 million.

Lice are the culprits, and they begin to reproduce rapidly with the onset of cool weather, says Greg Gerngross of Baird, county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. They reach peak populations in late winter and early spring. Uncontrolled, lice can soon infest a whole herd, because with

cold weather, cattle tend to bunch up more and the pests can easily move from one animal to another. Heavy hair coats on animals during cold weather also afford protection for the parasites and allow increased reproduction. Costs to the cattlemen — both in control efforts and dramatic production losses — increase as lice populations build.

There are two types of lice — bloodsucking and biting — and both infest cattle, says Gerngross. Sucking lice pierce the animal's skin and suck blood while biting lice feed on particles of hair, scale, scab and skin discharges.

Lice infestations irritate animals, causing itching, scratching and rubbing on fences or anything else available. This produces denuded areas, bruises and lacerations on the affected animal. Heavily infested animals will have an unthrifty appearance and will suffer weight reduction, decreased milk production, anemia or even death.

Lice infested animals may also be more subject to respiratory diseases such as pneumonia. Heavy lice infestations often stunt calves. Undernourished cattle of any age usually have the heaviest infestation.

Pour on and spot-on grubicides labeled for lice are effective and considerably reduce the problem of cold stress associated with dips and sprays. However, the possibility of a host-parasite reaction is always a threat if the material is applied after the cut-off date for grub control.

Systemic grubicides labeled for lice control usually recommend a lower rate than that to control grubs, which would help reduce the host-parasite reaction.

Use of nonsystemic dust applied by hand or in dustbags would eliminate the possibility of host-parasite reaction. But because of a lack of penetration of heavy hair coats, dusts do not provide as effective lice control as dips or sprays, Gerngross explains.

The spot-on formulation of chlorpyrifos is a new product that has been effective against lice. The product kills all stages of lice — eggs, nymphs and adults. One application is adequate for season-long control if the entire herd is treated and no untreated animals are later introduced into the herd.

Only a small amount of chlorpyrifos is required, thus eliminating cold stress from soaking animals with sprays and dips. The insecticide is not a grubicide, so it can be used anytime without fear of a host-parasite reaction. However, this product is not labeled for dairy animals, bulls over eight months, or purebred exotic breeds.

Gerngross cautions that whichever lice control program is used, the cattlemen should be certain to read label directions and pay particular attention to warnings, restrictions and pre-slaughter intervals.

Additional information on control of lice and other external parasites of cattle is available in the publication, "Suggestions for Controlling External Parasites of Livestock and Poultry," at the County Extension Office.

Mrs. Dewey Cason Buried At Burkett

Mrs. Dewey (Maggie) Cason, 81, of Decatur, formerly of Coleman and Burkett, died Monday, Dec. 20, in a Denton hospital.

Burial was in the Burkett Cemetery Friday afternoon under direction of Stevens Funeral Home of Coleman, following services at 2 p.m. in the Stevens Funeral Home Chapel.

Rev. Paul Hubbard, pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist Church in Coleman, officiated the final rites.

Born Sept. 28, 1901, in Coleman County, she married Dewey M. Cason in 1922 in Coleman. She was a member of First Baptist Church. Survivors include her husband; two sons, Kenneth of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mack of Decatur; four daughters, Maxine Young and Clydene Comedy, both of Abilene, Billie Sparks of Brownwood and Berenda Akins of Texarkana; a sister, Mrs. Ivy Merryman of Coleman; 14 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Garland West, Ronald West, Billy Don Comedy, Michael Cason, John Helberg and Lewis Cason.

Funeral Held Friday For Vera Porter, 65

Funeral service was held at 11 a.m. Friday at Walker Funeral Home Chapel at Coleman for Mrs. Clarence (Vera) Porter of Fort Worth, a Burkett native.

Mrs. Porter, 65, died at 6:32 p.m. Tuesday of last week in All Saints Hospital in Fort Worth.

Burial was at Burkett Cemetery under direction of Walker Funeral Home of Coleman. Officiating the final rites was the Rev. Estelle Allen of Brownwood.

A native of Coleman County, Mrs. Porter was born in Burkett on March 30, 1917, the daughter of Stephen and Nellie Holmans. She attended school at Burkett. On March 24, 1937, she married Clarence Porter. She was a financial analyst for General Dynamics for 39 years. She was a member of the United Polytechnic Methodist Church of Fort Worth.

She is survived by her husband. Pallbearers were nephews, Donald Porter, Alvin Porter, Roy Porter, Jim Porter, Ronald Holmans and Jim Holmans.

4 LOCAL FOLK AMONG 22 AT CISCO YULE DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Dickson and Lisa Dawn and Esthloy Dickson, all of this city, spent Christmas Day in Cisco in the beautifully decorated home of Mrs. Truly (Bernice) Carter.

Following a bountiful dinner, gifts were exchanged. Twenty-two family members were present.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Marshall during Christmas week were their grandsons, David, Steve and John Marshall of Durango, Colo., their son, Buford and wife Carolyn of Grapevine, grandson, Kyle of Scurry, Mr. and Mrs. Claude McGee and their grandson of San Angelo and Mrs. J. L. Coker and daughter, Vickie of New York, N. Y. Brent Key had lunch with the family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Dickson and Lisa Dawn spent Saturday evening and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Mike Jones, Dustin and Michelle, in their ranch home southeast of Breckenridge. The young people spent a part of Sunday in Possum Kingdom State Park in Stephens and Young counties north of Caddo.

AARP MEMBERS ENJOY FELLOWSHIP THURSDAY

Nineteen members and friends met at the Multi-Purpose Center Tuesday night, Dec. 21, for fellowship.

The president, John Miller, showed two interesting films, "Christmas In Norway" and a comedy film on "The Twelve Days of Christmas." The group sang several Christmas songs then enjoyed delicious refreshments after which domino and 42 games were played.

Monday, Jan. 3, 1983, will be the first regular meeting of the new year, and all members are encouraged to be present and bring prospective new members.

Mrs. David Morales of San Antonio visited friends here Tuesday.

In their van with a group from their church, Calvary Baptist Church of Huntsville. They all enjoyed supper before continuing their trip to Glorieta Baptist Retreat in New Mexico.

Local Home Hosts Visitors For Yuletide

Rev. Bill and Sharon Reed had many visitors in their home over the holidays. Christmas Day all their children were home at the same time except Matt and Julie Reed and Lisa of New Brunfels.

Visitors were Bill, Jr. and Linda Reed, Jim, Lee, B. J. and David; Chuck and Sandy Dard, Angie, Mike and Victor; Jim Reed and Tim Reed, of Cross Plains, as well as Leeland and Cheryl Watson and Shari Watson of Sabamo and Terry Watson of Breckenridge.

Other visitors were Jamie Banes, Grady Wooten, Terry Abernathy and Justin Melson of Cross Plains.

"It was a warm and rewarding 'old fashion' type Christmas," Rev. and Mrs. Reed said, "and we would like to send our warmest wishes to all for a happy and prosperous New Year.

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Rowden Sector News

By Mrs. N. V. Gibbs

The happiness of Christmas has come and gone with children enjoying all their gifts from Santa Claus.

Little Leigh Harrell's eyes showed surprise when she saw Santa's gifts under her tree. She will be having a second birthday soon. Her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Newberry of Abilene, were there to share the excitement.

Many families had dinners, either on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. Bob and Cathy Dye and daughter, Julie, hosted a dinner for his family, including his mother, Edna Dye and brothers, Tommy and wife, Erlene, and son, Douglas, and Edwin and wife, Ann and daughter, Lori Ann of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hunter of Coleman visited in the Tommie Harris home Sunday afternoon.

Those enjoying Christmas Eve supper in the Tommie Harris home were their children and grandchildren Terry Harris, Jimmy and Pam and children, Jared and Joanna, Nicky and Evelyn, also Blandye of Pioneer and Tonya of Abilene. Mrs. Ivon Odom of Cross Plains also was a guest in the home.

Don and Pam Harris and her children Misty and Paul and Mr. and Mrs. James Reynolds visited in the Harris home on Saturday, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. James Reynolds and Ellen and Janet and Tan Flippin spent Christmas in Midland with Jim and Cecia Reynolds.

Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Strickland of Abilene and Mrs. Edna Dye were dinner guests in the Tommy Dye home Friday night.

Mrs. Adra Cooke and Mrs. Opal Steele of Clyde had Christmas dinner in the Tony Steele home. Lee Jernigan of Lake Proctor visited in the home during the week.

Mrs. Elveda Sikes and Ernest Sikes of Abilene visited Mrs. Gibbs Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. V. Gibbs made a trip to Sonora Sunday where they visited Granvel and Parlee Gibbs. They had prepared a delicious meal for all their guests. Stephen Gibbs of Odessa, son of Granvel Gibbs, was there spending the holidays. Also Parlee's son Wesley of Bronte was visiting in the home. Mrs. Leila Gibbs had a report of the visit as well as food, fruit and pictures from her son and wife.

Sterling and Joyce Odom visited his mother, Mrs. Ivon Odom in the Cross Plains rest home during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Trevey, and children, David, Scott and Jennifer of Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Palmer and son Michael, and Ivon Odom all enjoyed Christmas dinner in the Sterling Odom home.

Guests in the Don Harrell home for the week end holiday were relatives of Mrs. Harrell, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bogar and daughter, Pat and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Newberry of Abilene. Also Griff and Melissa Andrews of Austin. On Christmas Eve, the Don Harrell family had dinner with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harrell in Abilene.

Robbie Watson of Austin is spending the holidays at home with his family, the Robert Watsons. Other visitors in the home

were Mr. and Mrs. Tom McMillin of Abilene.

Christmas visitors in the Raymond Gibbs home were his niece and family of Azle, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Summers and children, Shane and Belinda. Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy West and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Angel.

Those visiting Lizzie Burks and her sister, Emma Johnson during the holidays were Robert and Bobbie Burks of Cross Plains and Carrol Burks of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dye and Julie were in Mason spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Dendy.

Mrs. Edna Dye was in Eastland Saturday having dinner in the Frank Sayre home, and will attend a dinner party in the Ed Sayre home Monday night in Breckenridge.

Mr. and Mrs. N. V. Gibbs served Christmas Eve dinner with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Steele and children, Tonya, Bill and Connie.

While in Abilene last Wednesday Mrs. Sterling Odom viewed the partial collection of antique quilts of the Daughters of the American Revolution Museum. They were shown recently on the Mid Day — with Kay TV show which prompted many to have a desire to see them. Mrs. Odom wins quilting awards each year at the West Texas Fair and especially enjoyed the quaint designs and patterns of these elaborate works of art. Signs of "Do not touch" were attached to the dozen or more quilts on display. Abilene was one of four cities honored by this display of art.

Last week's visitors in the Gene Mauldin home were Mrs. Tim Burns and children, Mark and Bridget of Potosi, Burt Vickers of Abilene and the Roland Mauldin family of Denton Valley and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Traub.

On Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Mauldin served Christmas dinner to Willie and Irene Masters of Snyder, and Bob and Melinda Maninger, and Rod and Charlotte Clifton of Lubbock. Also Roland and Faye Mauldin and sons Douglas and Kenneth of Denton Valley.

Sunday afternoon, Carl and Mable Mauldin of Huntsville arrived

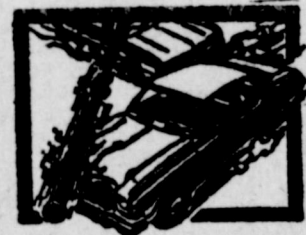
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