

# STERLING CITY NEWS-RECORD

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## 145 Poll Taxes Paid

On Tuesday of this week a total of 145 poll taxes had been paid by Sterling Countians. This compares to only 16 paid last month.

Taxes collected during November totaled \$5,193.18, said Mrs. W. O. Green, clerk in the tax collectors office. The breakdown of the taxes paid is as follows:

County taxes	2,122.62
School	2,391.97
State	678.59
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,193.18</b>

## Gift Tea Honors Mrs. Leroy Butler

Four were hostesses at a pink and blue gift tea last Saturday honoring Mrs. Leroy Butler. The tea was held in the community center from three till five o'clock.

Hostesses were Mrs. Riley King, Miss LaVerne King, Mrs. Fred Hodges, Mrs. C. C. Ainsworth, Mrs. Fred Campbell and Mrs. Horace F. Donalson.

The tea table was covered with a linen Maderia cloth, and the center piece was a stork in the center of pink and blue chrysanthemums.

Mrs. Webb Hudson and Mrs. Anna Lee Johnson played piano numbers during the tea hours.

Mrs. King was at the register, and Mrs. Donalson greeted the guests at the door. Mrs. Ainsworth was in the gift room. Mrs. Robert Foster and Miss Jacque Foster served tea and cake the first hour. Mrs. Campbell and Miss King served the second hour.

Forty guests called.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Simpson of Evant visited their daughter, Mrs. Joe Emery here last weekend.

## Mrs. Malinda Mitchell, 88, Dead

Funeral services for Mrs. Malinda K. Mitchell, 88, Sterling City resident for 76 years, were held here Monday afternoon. Mrs. Mitchell, who had been in ill health for a number of years, died in the Sterling County Hospital Saturday at 11 a.m. She had been hospitalized since September 1.

The services were held in the Church of Christ with Wayne Zuck local minister, officiating. He was assisted by A. A. Berryman, former minister, now of Clyde. Burial was in Montvale Cemetery under the direction of Lowe Funeral Home.

She was preceded in death by her husband, a stock farmer, a number of years ago.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. B. J. Crossno of Sterling City, Mrs. M. W. Trotter of Goldthwaite and Mrs. H. G. Trotter of San Sabe; a step-daughter, Mrs. Lucy Powell of Menard; nine grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Mrs. Mitchell was born Malinda Wiley on September 10, 1865 in Louisiana, Mo.

Pallbearers were O. T. Jones, Riley King, Ted Brown, Jim Butler, Fred Hodges and Will Durham.

Honorary pallbearers named were Dr. Wm. J. Swan, W. O. Batten and O. E. Deal.

The Roland Edwardses of Green Forrest, Arkansas, visited the T.H. Murrells and other relatives here last week. Mrs. Edwards is a daughter of the Murrells.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Churchill visited the Charles Churchills in Iraan last Sunday and returned by way of Midland to visit Marvin's father, W. V. Churchill.

## March of Dimes Drive Plans Being Made

Ways and means of money raising for the 1954 March of Dimes was the drawing card for a group of people representing all organizations in Sterling here Wednesday afternoon. The meeting was called by the March of Dimes chairman for the coming campaign, Mrs. T. F. Foster, Jr. The group met in the library at the courthouse.

Mrs. Foster outlined the need and requirements for the year as regards the MOD program. Representatives from the organizations will report and each organization will decide what to do in the campaign which will be held in January.

The special gifts group will make a concerted campaign during the remainder of December, but all events will be held in January.

Present at the meeting were Mrs. Foster, chairman for the '54 drive, Mrs. Ray Lane (Wimodausis Club), Bruce Medford (Boy Scouts), Mrs. Henry Bauer (P.T.A.), Ross Foster (Square Dance), Mrs. Ross Foster (Noratadeta Club), George Blackburn (School), Mrs. L. C. Alexander (Girl Scouts), Harold Emery (American Legion), and Mrs. Harold Emery (American Legion Auxiliary).

Mrs. Foster pointed out that due to heavier demands on the program and stepped-up research, the National Chapter was asking for twice as much money as before.

## New Chevrolets To Be Shown December 18

A new line of Chevrolet passenger cars, improved in appearance and performance, will go on display here Friday December 18.

R. T. Caperton made the announcement on his return from Fort Worth where Chevrolet retail dealers of this area saw models and heard a discussion of their features in the Will Rogers Memorial Auditorium.

"In line with the customary Chevrolet policy at these annual closed meetings, we have been asked not to reveal details of the new cars", said Caperton. "The company feels that its new automotive progress can be fully appreciated only by first-hand inspection. For this reason we make every effort to keep the models under wraps until the national showing, when they can be seen only in dealer showrooms."

### Special Showing December 18

Caperton will show the new '54 model Chevrolets in his showroom on Friday, December 18. Free coffee and doughnuts will be served and favors will be given to all who come out to see the new models. Caperton feels that the '54 Chevrolets will draw a large crowd and he is making plans for a big day.

## Christmas Pageant at School Next Thursday

A Christmas pageant has been arranged for presentation at the school auditorium next Thursday night, December 17. Mrs. Johnnie Lee and Miss Mary Ann Bradshaw are in charge of arrangements. The public is invited to the affair, and no admission charge will be made.

The time for the pageant is the First Christmas. The singing of the processional "O Come, All Ye Faithful" signals the opening of the pageant. Rev. Bruce Medford will give the scripture reading and the opening prayer.

The first scene is a shepherd's field near Bethlehem. Between the scenes, the choir will sing The First Noel and O Little Town of Bethlehem. Elizabeth Cole will sing White Christmas.

The second scene is a stable in Bethlehem.

The finale is the singing of Joy to the World by the entire group and the audience. Rev. Robert Ritchie will give the closing prayer.

Don McDonald is announcer and stage manager. Mary is played by Bernetta Williams and Robert Gartman will play the part of Joseph.

Shepherds in the play are James Ayers, Gary Arp, Kenneth Fincher, Larry Stewart, David Foster and Corwin Collins.

The three wise men will be portrayed by C. L. King, Jr., David Durham and Milton Reed.

Parts of angels will be played by Betty Jo Daves, Janet Westbrook, Elaine Price, Lynda Allen, Willene Glass, Jacque Caperton, Sandra Robbins, Vicki June Johnson, Susan Medford, Rosanne Foster, Cathie Haralson and Lynda Zuck.

Choral readers will be Tommy Arp, David Drennan, Jimmy McCarty, Robert Counts, Clayton Stewart, Reynolds Lee Foster, Jimmy Parker, Steve Whitley, Wayne Daves, Paul Brown and Charles Maden.

The choir will be composed of George Davis, Leon Stockton, Ernestine Rodriguez, Carolyn Zuck, Glenda Fincher, Elizabeth Cole, Carolina Rodriguez, Christina Bernal, Esther Gaitan, Daniel Gonzales, Darla Kay Dunn, Jynette Gaston, Gwendolyn Blair, Richard Ortego, Enequina Mata, Adelina Estrada, Johnnie Rae Tollett, Barbara Clark and Mary Malone.

The Rev. B. B. Brannon, Presbyterian pastor here, attended an executive committee meeting in Fort Worth Monday. Bob is a member of the Executive Committee on Christian Education of the Mid-Texas Presbytery. The committee meeting was held to plan the educational work for the coming year, said Bob.

R. T. Caperton and Ross Foster went to Pontotoc last weekend on a deer hunt.

## Lions Club Christmas Auction Next Week

The Sterling City Lions Club is to have the annual Christmas auction on Wednesday noon of next week, it was announced at the regular luncheon this week. Lions Worth B. Durham and Horace Donalson were designated auctioneers by the club.

The auction is held each year to raise money for worthy projects of the club—notably that of supplying Christmas cheer boxes for families at Christmas time. Toys and food and baskets of cheer items are fixed up for shut-ins and others over the town.

Billy Roland Conger told of the March of Dimes and he said that each organization in town was to sponsor some type of money-raising project for the drive in January.

H. A. Chapple announced of the colored a capella choir that will be at the Church of Christ Friday of this week for a song program.

A discussion of the oil field on the Lou Johnson ranch north of Sterling over in Coke County was held. It was reported that Humble Oil Company was to build a camp there and discussion of a good road from the field to Sterling was held.

R. T. Caperton and Horace Donalson was added to the committee to see about the road to the field. Already on the committee were H. A. Chapple, G. C. Murrell and S. M. Bailey.

Ross Hardy was a guest at the meeting. The prize went to Anna Lee Johnson.

## HOSPITAL NOTES

Patients in the Sterling County Hospital on Thursday morning of this week included—

- D. P. Glass
- Mrs. W. T. Conger
- Mrs. D. P. Glass
- Luther Hallmark
- Mrs. C. N. Crawford
- Dismissals since Thursday morning of last week include—
- Mrs. George Case
- Robert Brown
- Reynolds Lee Foster
- George Davis
- Mrs. Malinda Mitchell, deceased on Dec. 5, at 11:05 a.m.

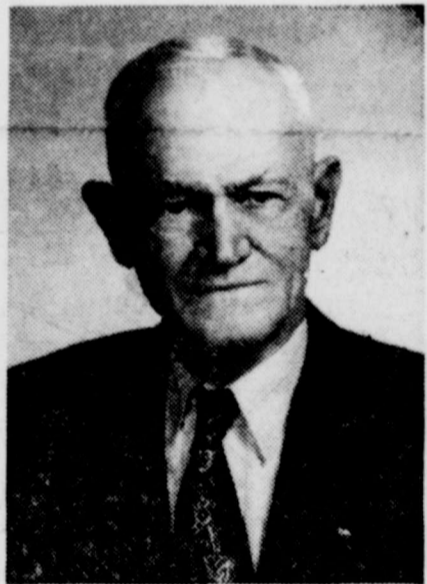
### CARPER TO FAR EAST

Pfc. O. F. Carper, Jr. left Monday for Fort Lewis, Washington to embark for the Far East, possibly Korea or Japan. Carper has been here with his parents on a thirty-day leave. He has been stationed at Fort Hood, Texas since his induction and was in the personnel office there.

Billy Vern Davis, son of the Vern Davises, has arrived home from Korea, and following his leave spent here, he will report to a base at Alexandria, Louisiana.



MRS. R. P. BROWN



R. P. BROWN

## Sterling Couple To Hold Open House Sunday In Golden Wedding Anniversary Observance

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Brown will hold open house at their home here Sunday, December 13, in observance of their golden wedding anniversary. They are inviting their friends in for the day to help celebrate the occasion.

Old-timers here, Mr. and Mrs. Brown moved from Grandview here in 1905. They were married there in 1903. The ceremony was read in the Methodist parsonage by the Rev. J.C.J.R. Patton.

Mr. Brown retired at Texas Co. consignee here the first of the year—after 37 years with Texaco. He now looks after his property here and works as hard as before retiring—he says. He was the Ford dealer here before going with the Texas Company.

Mr. Brown helped haul lumber from San Angelo to build the first church on the divide—including camping out one night—with wagon and team.

He owned the 11th car to be registered in the county. It was a 2-cylinder Auburn which he used as a service car (taxi). Passengers were hauled to San Angelo for 50c per mile. He opened the first service station in 1912.

Mr. Brown is 72 years old and is active in the Lions Club and civic work, is a steward in the Methodist Church, is a member of the Suez Temple in San Angelo, is a Woodman of the World, and makes an annual deer hunt with D. L. Slaton of San Angelo.

Mrs. Brown, the former Sula Jones, is 70 years old and a native of Mississippi. She moved to Grandview with her parents when she was 15 years old.

She became a member of the Wimodausis Club in 1916 and is now eligible for life membership in the organization—but she prefers to be an active member.

Mrs. Brown's niece, Mrs. Carlene Perrett of Arlington, has written the following poem in honor of the occasion:

### GOLDEN WEDDING

The years past could be recounted as a story, Or likened to a Symphony in all its glory.

As the baton is raised and the music starts,

Heard is the familiar strains of the Wedding March.

Then muted violins and a lone guitar,

For the West had beckoned and the way was far.

The drums of progress set a challenging pace;

Tempo of the times accented by an exacting bass.

A mighty organ weaves some threads of sorrow,

But clear tones of the trumpet is the new tomorrow.

Throughout is the flute with its lighthearted sound

And a carefree trombone is the humor found.

For the Grand Finale is the pealing of Bells in celebration.

Symbols of remembrance and renewed inspiration.

Fifty Golden Years, my privilege to review,

Is my Anniversary present, a tribute to you.

Why I give only words, I will impart.

I knew not how, to gift wrap my heart.

Carlene Perrett.

## Basketball Tournament Underway

Sterling High School's Invitation Basketball Tournament got underway here Thursday afternoon with games being played by both boys and girls teams.

Teams are entered from Robert Lee, Garden City, Forsan, Barnhart, Coahoma, Bronte, Christoval, and Lakeview.

Games are being played through both morning and evening of today and Saturday. The final games are to be held Saturday night in the gym.

### DISTRICT BASKETBALL DATES FOR STERLING EAGLES

The schedule for district basketball play for the Sterling Eagles is scheduled as follows:

- January 8—Knott here
- January 15—Garden City there
- January 19—Coahoma here
- January 22—Forsan there
- January 26—Knott here
- February 2—Garden City here
- February 5—Coahoma there
- February 9—Forsan there.

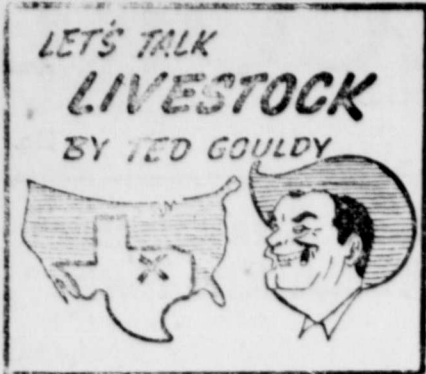
These games take in the first part of district play by District 23-B.

Mrs. Georgia Shipman returned to her home in Olney Thursday of last week. She had been working here in the Drive-In Grocery and Cafe the past several months.

## THE AMERICAN WAY



Truly In The "American Way"



**"Comparing Pearl Harbor Prices"**  
Fort Worth, Dec. 7—Monday was the 12th anniversary of "Pearl Harbor Day." Americans recalled this tragic day when the infamous Jap attack took place in various ways.

A group of us at the Fort Worth Stockyards got to talking about it and the question came up: "How do livestock prices today, compare with those the week before the Pearl Harbor attack?"

We looked it up and got a surprise. We think the comparison of pre-World War II Prices with those paid at Fort Worth Monday will be interesting to you, too!

One thing sure is that you agree "a lot of water has run under the bridge since Dec. 7, 1941!"

At Fort Worth Monday fat steers and yearlings and slaughter cows were about steady in a slow trade. Some top fat calves were strong to 50c higher. Bulls and stocker and feeder cattle were fully steady.

Comparing prices with Dec. 7, 1941: Good and choice fed steers and yearlings today sold for \$16 to \$22.25—the same grades 12 years ago sold from \$9 to \$11.75 at Fort Worth.

Common and medium slaughter steers and heifers at \$10 to \$15 Monday, sold from \$6.50 to \$9.

Fat cows at Fort Worth Monday brought \$9.50 to \$12.50. 12 years ago they drew \$6.25 to \$7.75. Canners and cutters sold for \$3 to \$6.50 then, and this week sold from \$6 to \$10.

Bulls at \$5.75 to \$7.50 then, sold at \$7 to \$12.50 this week.

On Monday good and choice slaughter calves sold at \$14 to \$20, a load at the latter figure from Graham. Twelve years ago on the first Pearl Harbor day their value was \$9.50 to \$11.75. Cull to medium slaughter calves this week drew \$8 to \$13.50, and then they sold from \$6 to \$9.50.

Good and choice stocker and feeder steers and yearlings a dozen years ago sold at \$8.50 to \$10.75, and

topy steer calves reached \$12. On Monday at Fort Worth similar steers and yearlings drew \$14 to \$18, and calves reached \$19. Stocker cows the first week of December 1941 sold from \$5.25 to \$7.50, this week from \$8 to \$13.

Heifers and stocker heifer calves presently sell around \$2 under steers, and at that time averaged \$1 or \$1.25 less.

Hogs had the best market in weeks at Fort Worth Monday and topped at \$24.50, or 50c higher. During the "original Pearl Harbor Week" top hogs ranged from \$8.50 to \$9.35.

Sheep and lambs sold at steady prices at Fort Worth Monday and good and choice fat woolled lambs sold at \$18 to \$19, and good and choice shorn lambs sold from \$17 to \$17.50. A dozen years ago comparable lambs sold here at \$9 to \$10.50.

Slaughter yearlings sold here on Monday at \$10 to \$14, compare with yearlings at \$8 to \$9.50 12 years ago.

On Monday slaughter ewes drew \$6 to \$7, and breeder ewes sold for \$7 to \$10. Old wethers cashed at \$7 to \$10, and bld bucks drew \$3 to \$4.

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Bread, lb. loaf	16¢
Cigarettes, carton	\$2.09
Milk, Qt. Carton,	24¢
Kotex, Box,	29¢
Wrigley's Gum 3 for	10¢
River Rice, 2 lbs.	29¢
3 Minute Oats, Large,	35¢

Sugar, 5 pounds	49¢
Cokes, Dr. Peppers	45¢
Swift's Chili	35¢
Crustine, 3 lbs.	73¢
Diamond Tissue 4 Rolls	29¢
Pet Milk, 2 tall cans	29¢
Diamond Napkins 2 for	25¢
Campbells Tomato Soup	10¢
Texas Pecan Cake	\$1.19

5 lbs.	49c		
10 lb. sack	98c		
25 lbs.	1.99		
		<b>SURF</b> Large 19¢	

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Specials for Saturday and Monday

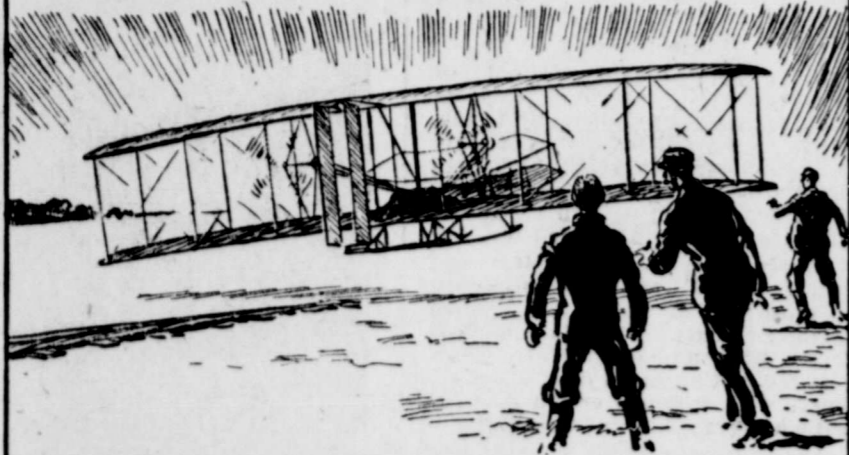
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TO THOSE EARLY PIONEERS GOES ALL CREDIT FOR OPENING UP A NEW ERA. BUT THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MODERN AIR AGE IN OUR COUNTRY HAS ENLISTED, AS WELL, THE ORGANIZATION OF VAST INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES AND THE INVESTMENT OF THE SAVINGS OF COUNTLESS AMERICANS.



**4-H Lamb Tour Saturday; Banquet That Night**

A 4-H Club lamb tour will be held at 1:15 p.m. Saturday, December 12. Persons on the tour will visit all boys having 4-H Club lambs on feed. These boys are Alfred Chapple, Don McDonald, LeRuth Reed, Marvin Foster, Melvin Foster, Jodie Emery, Bobby Dunn, Jodie Green, Bill Humble, Delmar Radde, Tony Allen, Lynda Allen, and Bill Davis.

**4-H ACHIEVEMENT BANQUET**

The 4-H Club Achievement Annual banquet will be held Saturday night at the community center, said Fred Campbell, county agent. Members, their guests and parents are invited, said Campbell.

**A. E. Moore, 79, Buried Here Sunday**

Funeral service for A. E. Moore, 79, were held here Sunday afternoon at the Church of Christ. The local minister, Wayne Zuck and a Church of Christ minister from Bridgeport, officiated. Burial was in Montvale Cemetery with the Lowe Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Moore, former resident here, died in Bridgeport early Saturday. He had lived there the past few years.

Pallbearers were H. M. Knight, C. C. Ainsworth, L. W. Longshore, Everett Cope and Dr. Wm. Swann, all of Sterling and Mike Slaton and Earl Ward of Bridgeport.

Honorary pallbearers named include W. Y. Bengé, Sr., Claude Collins, Sr. and J. S. Cole.

One daughter, Mrs. Eva Snowden, of Silver survives.

**Wimodausis Club to Meet Dec. 16**

The Wimodausis Club will meet Wednesday, December 16 in the clubroom of the community center for a Christmas program. Mrs. Foster Conger and Mrs. O. M. Cole are the hostesses.

**Science and Your Health**

**Medicine and Old Age**



In 1900, there were 3 million persons over 65... today there are nearly 14 million



'Elderly Citizens' have the same health problems as younger persons, but...



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Science works to increase strength and energy in over 65's. Hormones and vitamins may be the answer.

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More people are reaching old age than ever before—some 14 million today as compared to three million in 1900. These elder citizens present new problems, economic, sociological and medical, many of which are inter-related.

Over-65s suffer the same ills as younger persons, but they are more susceptible to them. High blood pressure, diabetes, cancer, arthritis, heart diseases, hardening of the arteries, and even pneumonia, a disease that is on its way out in younger age groups, thanks to antibiotics, exact a heavy toll among our senior citizens.

Many of the new drugs have helped old and young alike. Anticoagulants prevent the dangerous blood clots which so often appear in old age. Several new drugs have helped cut down high blood pressure, which hits more than 60% of our senior citizens. Much has been done to combat heart disease — the greatest killer — which strikes more frequently both in the winter of the year and in the winter of life.

Important as these advances are, at best they only cure—they do not prevent. The real challenge

to medicine is to build up the human machine that begins to wear down as old age advances. Vigor must be improved, tissues revitalized, outlook brightened and strength regained, lest vital organs fail in their functions.

Two types of agents—vitamins and hormones — offer the best chance of building up energy and resistance. Male and female hormones—androgens and estrogens — have been used with considerable success in brightening the outlook and increasing the vigor of old men and women. Often they are used interchangeably to fight a specific malfunction or waning strength. They have even been combined into a single drug, as in the case of Combandrin, to revitalize tired tissue and improve general well-being of male and female alike.

Vitamins, too, are playing a more important role in old-age therapy. Tests on animals have shown that vitamin A increased life span 10%, and that B complex vitamins lengthened life 10-25%. If the outlook for over-65s looks better today than before it is due in large part to the gains made in hormone and vitamin therapy.

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**OIL WELL COMPLETED ON GLASS RANCH**

J. M. Hawkins Trustee, Midland, No. 1 J. L. Glass est., section 2 block 31, T-5-S. T&P survey, completed a San Andres discovery well three-quarters of a mile southeast of the Herrell Clear Fork pool in western Sterling County Wednesday of this week. The well was completed to pump 57.92 barrels of 31.5 gravity oil, plus 60 per cent water daily from open hole at 1,454 to 1,465 feet after fracturing with 2,000 gallons.

**PAROCHIAL FIELD GAINS EAST STEP-OUT**

The Parochial Bade Field of Sterling County was extended on location east with completion of Boykin Brothers et al No. 1 Bade, located in 22-22-H&TC, for a daily pumping potential of 77 barrels of 32-gravity oil, no water.

Production was from open hole between 1,118-90 feet. Top of pay was picked at 1,136 feet. Casing (5 1/2 inch) was cemented at 1,118 feet. Total depth is 1,190 feet.

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Fri., Sat., Dec. 11-12  
"Mississippi Gambler"  
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Sun., Mon., Tues., Dec. 13-14-15  
The Story of Three Loves  
Kirk Douglas, Pier Angeli

Wed., Thurs., Dec. 16-17  
"So This Is Love"  
Kathryn Grayson, Merv Griffin

Fri., Sat., Dec. 18-19  
"California Conquest"  
Cornel Wilde, Teresa Wright

Sun., Mon., Tues., Dec. 20-21-22  
"Split Second"  
Stephen McNally, Jan Sterling

Wed., Thurs., Dec. 23-24  
"Mr. Scoutmaster"  
Clifton Webb, Frances Dee

**NOTICE, POSTAL PATRONS**

As always in the past, post office box rents must be collected on or before the beginning of a quarter. Collections shall be made on or before the beginning of a quarter for the entire quarter or in advance for the current fiscal year. Box patrons and agencies of the Federal Government are permitted now to pay rental on post office boxes in advance for not more than one full fiscal year, July 1 to June 30, next, or for the three, two, or one quarters remaining in the fiscal year. Therefore, patrons may pay beginning December 20, either for the quarter ending March 31, 1954 alone or for that quarter and the quarter ending June 30, 1954, together—thus, paying in full for the remainder of the fiscal year. Then, beginning July 1 (or 10 days before that date when box rent notices are placed in the boxes) patrons may pay for four full quarters, thereby paying their rentals on their post office box for an entire year.

When a patron including a Government agency surrenders a box prior to the expiration of the period for which rental has been paid no portion of the rental shall be refunded.

Please feel free to ask at your local post office any questions that are not made clear concerning the above notice regarding rentals on your post office box.

Now, in connection with arrangements for the handling of Christmas mails, experience has shown that the cooperation of the public in preparing their mailing of greeting cards and gift parcels constitutes an important factor in facilitating their dispatch and delivery. Therefore, it is important that special attention be given to publishing the need for cooperation with respect to the following:

**POSTAGE:** Save time. Purchase stamps in advance of the rush period. Fully prepay postage on all mail matter.

**ADDRESSES:** Address all matter plainly and completely in ink, give street address and apartment number, if any, or box or rural route number whenever possible. The delivery zone number should be shown when applicable. Place sender's return card in upper left corner of the address side. The use of

address tags should be avoided.

**PACKING AND WRAPPING:** Pack articles carefully in strong durable containers. Wrap and tie articles securely, but do not seal them unless you have a merchandise mailing sticker or wording on the wrapper. Sealed parcels not so labeled are subject to the letter postage rate.

**PERISHABLE MATTER:** Articles such as fruits and meats likely to spoil within the time reasonably required for transportation should not be presented for mailing.

**PERMISSIBLE ADITIONS AND ENCLOSURES:** Parcels may be marked "Do Not Open Until Christmas", this being permitted in order to encourage early mailing.

Written greetings of the season and names, numbers or symbols, for the purpose of description, may be enclosed with third or fourth class mail (parcel post). Books may bear simple dedicatory inscriptions not of a personal nature. Other written additions subject parcels to letter postage.

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By Frances Lee Barton

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**Plum Pudding**  
1 package lemon-flavored or cherry-flavored gelatine; dash of salt; 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon; 1/4 tea spoon cloves; 2 cups hot water; 3/4 cup finely cut raisins; 1/4 cup finely cut cooked prunes; 1/4 cup finely cut citron; 3/4 cup finely cut nut meats; 3/4 cup Grape-Nuts.

Combine gelatine, salt, and spices; add hot water and stir until gelatine is dissolved. Chill. When slightly thickened, fold in combined fruits, nuts, and Grape-Nuts. Turn into mold. Chill until firm. Unmold. Serve with whipped cream flavored with nutmeg. Makes 10 servings.

Note: If desired, 1 1/2 cups cooked dried figs may replace prunes, citron, and raisins. You may also substitute 3/4 cup crushed vanilla wafers or graham crackers for the Grape-Nuts.

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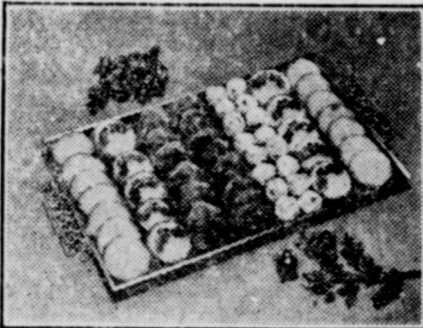
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**Cookies for Christmas**



By JANE ASHLEY

Be prepared for the Holiday Season! Keep a jar full of assorted cookies to serve with coffee or milk when relatives and friends come to call. Here is one delicious, easy-to-make variety that should be on the cookie tray.

- Brown Sugar Fruit Cookies**  
3 cups sifted all-purpose flour  
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder  
1/2 teaspoon baking soda  
1 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon  
1 1/2 cups brown sugar, firmly packed  
3/4 cup Mazola Salad Oil  
1/4 cup water  
2 eggs  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
1 cup raisins

Sift together first five ingredients. Make a well and add in order, sugar, salad oil, water, eggs and vanilla. Beat until smooth. Fold in raisins. Drop by teaspoonfuls onto greased baking sheet. Bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 12 to 15 minutes. Cookie dough may be covered, stored in refrigerator and baked as needed. Makes about 5 dozen cookies.

\*If desired, 1/2 cup granulated sugar and 1 cup brown sugar may be used.

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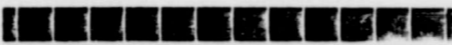
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**THINGS TO TALK ABOUT**  
BY FRANKLIN J. MEINE  
Editor, American Peoples Encyclopedia



RECENT MEDICAL RESEARCH INDICATES THAT YOU SHOULDN'T WORRY NEARLY AS MUCH ABOUT HOW FAT YOU ARE AS ABOUT HOW LONG YOU ARE FAT.



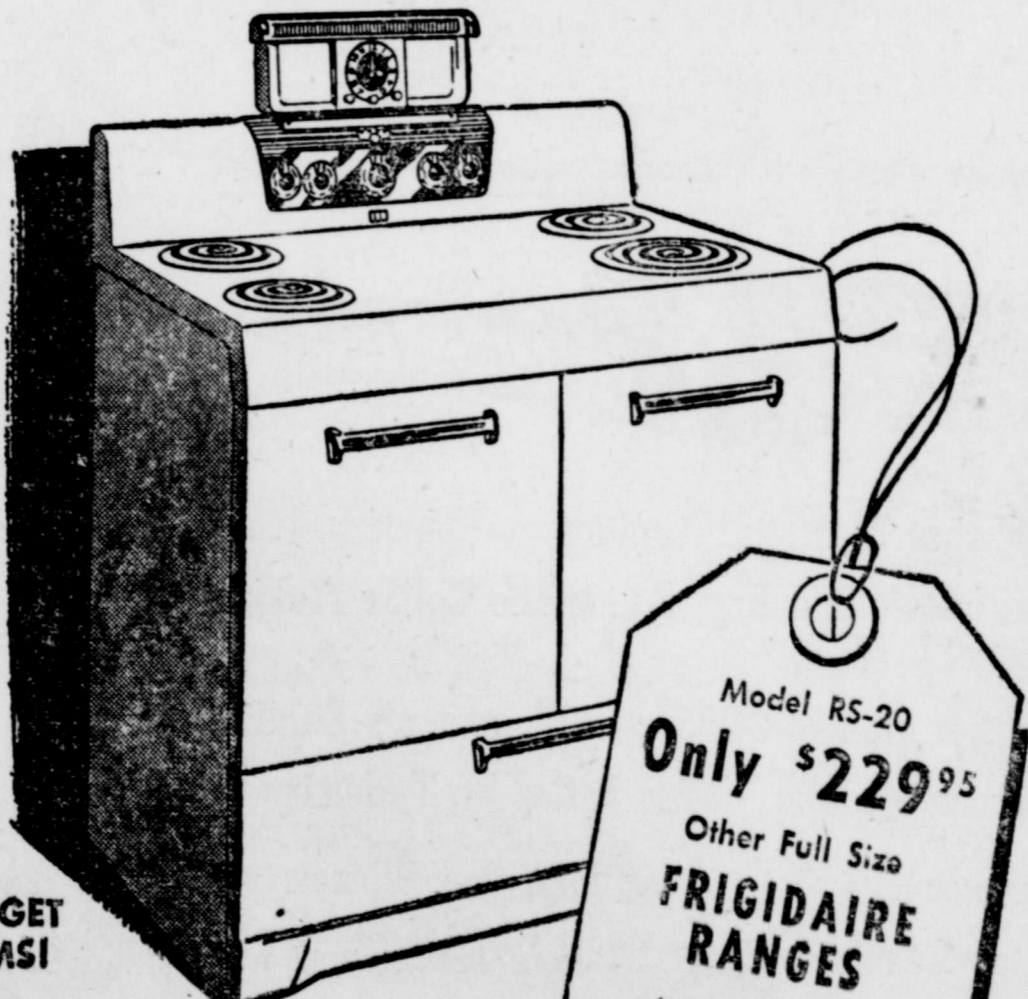
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From where I sit... by Joe Mars.

**A Case of "Moosestaken" Identity**

Slim Smith never had a chance to use his moose call until a trip north this year. Visited him yesterday to see what he'd bagged. "First day out," he told me, "I picked up a trail. I sounded the call and waited. Then I heard a moose call. Sure enough, something came crashing through the brush. But it was another guy with his moose call. Boy, did I get my finger off the trigger in a hurry!" "My last day there I picked up another trail. This time I got

me a real moose. But you can't I took a good look before I did any shooting!" From where I sit, we could all learn a little from Slim's experience. Most of us are guilty sometime or other of being too quick on the trigger. Like the fellow who would deny me the right to an occasional glass of beer with my dinner. I say that kind of "aim" is way off!

*Joe Mars*

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**Coffee Honors Girl Scout Leader Monday**

Mrs. David Glass, Mrs. R. T. Caperton, Mrs. Wilbur Stone and Mrs. Worth Allen were hostesses at a coffee Monday morning in the community center honoring Mrs. L. C. Alexander.

Mrs. Alexander is the leader of the newly organized Brownie Scouts and Girl Scouts.

Projects for the year were discussed. Mothers of the Brownies and Girl Scouts were present at the affair.

**GIRL SCOUTS ACTIVITIES**

The Girl Scouts meet every Thursday afternoon at 4:30 to 5:30 at the Girl Scout house. Membership dues are \$1 yearly and .10 weekly. Age requirements are 10-15 years.

Present membership of the Girl Scouts include—Janet Duke, Ona Mae Bickerback, Elizabeth Cole, Claudia Collins, Jeannine Jones, Christene McCarty, Darla Morris, LeRuth Reed, Judy Stewart, Gayle Steward, and Sandra Williams. Any girls of this age group are cordially invited to visit the next meeting.

Mrs. Alexander said projects planned for the winter period include paper craft, Saturday all-day hikes and nature study, Christmas Caroling, folk dancing, music appreciation, group singing, personality development and Girl Scout House redecorating.

**BROWNIES**

The Brownies meet at the Girl Scout house Tuesday at 4:00-5:00 p.m. Membership dues are \$1 yearly and .10 weekly. Age requirements for Brownies are 7-10 years.

Present membership in Brownies include Lynda Allen, Jacque Caperton, Edna Davis, Mitsy Davis, Olema Davis, Lee Douthit, Beverly Dunn, Temple Ann Foster, Glenda Fincher, Bonnie Gartman, Willene Glass, Judy Hamilton, Joanna Murrell, Cecelia McDonald, Lois Ethel Price, Janice Stewart, Ginger Stone, Janet Westbrook, Bernetta Williams, Sue Williams, Carolyn Zuck, and Sandra Robbins.

The planned projects for the winter period include group singing, folk dancing, paper craft, primary etiquette, Christmas caroling, music appreciation and nature study. The Brownies have cleaned up the front yard of the Girl Scout house for a completed project.

The Girl Scouts went in a group to San Angelo to hear the Children's Symphony November 30.

Both groups are adopting one patient per week at the hospital. A small gift or card with the girl's signatures are to be sent. These gifts and cards will be purchased with club funds.

Merit badges are given to each girl who completes projects undertaken either in a group or individually, said Mrs. Alexander.

Membership badges will be given to all new members in January. An

investiture service will be held in the newly decorated club house at that time. The parent's interest and cooperation has been excellent to date, said Mrs. Alexander. She says that visitors to any of the meetings are welcome.

**NEGRO A CAPELLA CHOIR AT CHURCH OF CHRIST TONIGHT**

A special group of singers from Southwestern Christian College of Terrell, Texas, will present a special program tonight at 7 o'clock at the Church of Christ. This group has been selected from the larger a cappella chorus of the negro school and consists of quartets, sextets, and other special arrangements. The chorus has attracted favorable attention in Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico and Louisiana.

The college is fully approved for the training of veterans. Founded in 1950, the Terrell school is directed by a board of trustees composed of

both white and negro members. Primarily it seeks to train young people for active church service, while at the same time providing a standard junior college education. Singing is emphasized in all of the activities of the college, and over half of the student of the past year were in the college chorus.

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