

Clyde Couple Celebrates Their Golden Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Butler held open house at their home here Sunday afternoon, in observance of their Golden Wedding Anniversary. They were assisted in receiving by their daughter, Miss Mildred Butler.

Gold and yellow flowers were arranged throughout the entertaining rooms. The table was centered with an anniversary cake decorated in white and gold rosebuds, with the inscription Butler 1904-1954. Other appointments were in silver and crystal. Miss Nita Faye Dixon ladled hot punch and Mr. W. A. Dixon, Mrs. W. E. Norwood and Mrs. Vera Nelson assisted in serving cake.

Mr. and Mrs. Butler were the recipients of many lovely gifts and beautiful floral tributes.

Mrs. Butler's sisters, Miss Ola Good of Dallas, Mrs. Lura Skiles and son Hubert Skiles of Denton, a sister-in-law, Mrs. Esther Good of Dallas and a friend, Miss Halie May Storer, also of Dallas were present for the celebration. Mr. Butler's brothers and their families present were: Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Butler of Anson; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Butler and their granddaughter Stanna Cheryl of Post; W. E. Butler of Cross Plains; P. L. Butler of Putnam; one brother, U. H. Butler of Stanton was unable to attend. Others were nephews: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Butler and Donna of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Butler and daughters Peggy and Ritallynn of Post; and Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Butler and daughter, La Ethna of Abilene; Loyd Butler, Putnam.

Mr. and Mrs. Butler have resided in Clyde 37 years, a native of Kentucky, Mr. Butler was born Jan. 25, 1874 and came to Texas at the age of eight years with his parents. Mrs. Butler is a native Texan. She was born in Dallas County, July 18, 1874. She is the former Florence Good. They were married Dec. 24, 1904 in Jack County and Mrs. Butler's father, Rev. G. W. Good, officiated for the ceremony.

Mr. Butler has worked at the newspaper business as printer and publisher for more than 50 years. Coming to Clyde in 1917 Mr. Butler was editor and publisher of the Clyde Enterprise for 30 years, with the able assistance of Mrs. Butler. Mr. Butler is now serving his third term as Mayor of Clyde. They are both

active members of the Clyde Baptist Church and also interested in all civic work of Clyde and community.

Their only daughter, Miss Mildred Butler is instructor in High School English in Abilene High School.

Friends who called were: Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Pyeatt, Mrs. W. E. McCollum, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Tyler, Mrs. E. G. Hampton, Mrs. S. H. Briscoe, Mrs. Claudia Harless, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Byrd, Rev. and Mrs. J. Henry Littleton, Lueders; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baulch, Mr. and Mrs. Sam McIntosh, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Watts, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Watts, Mrs. J. L. Daniel, Mrs. C. L. Tyson, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Cooper, D. P. Hollis, Miss Evelyn Hollis, Mrs. H. B. Terry, Miss Ella Tyler.

Mrs. H. A. Callaway, Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Dulaney, Mrs. J. L. Tabor, Mrs. Jewel Swanzy, W. A. Dixon, Earl Norwood; Alice Big-ham, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Jones, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Barton, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Paylor, Miss Anna Belle Tabor, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hennafor, Mrs. Troy Gifford, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Pee, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Earl C. Hayes, Mrs. R. H. McElrath all of Clyde; Mrs. Dee Peavy of Abilene, Mrs. O. M. Tyner, Mrs. Fannie Hallmark, and Mrs. J. W. Collins.

B.H.S. Class Of 1947 To Meet Xmas Day

All members of the Baird High School Class of 1947 are invited to attend a reunion hosted by Mrs. Aubrey Ground (the former Bobby Sue Edwards) in the home of her mother, Mrs. Myrtle Berry, at 940 West Third St., in Baird on Christmas Day at 4 p.m. The room mothers of the class are also urged to attend. It is hoped to make the reunion an annual affair.

Lions Club Will Not Meet Dec. 28

Baird Lions Club will not meet on Tuesday, Dec. 28, due to the fact that several members will be out of town and others will have kinfolks visiting with them. Also the Presbyterian Ladies, who prepare the meals, say they will appreciate the rest.

The Baird Star

Our Motto, "Tis Not Her Birth, Nor Wealth, Nor State, But the Git-up-and-Git That Makes Men Great." Callahan County Clarendon Established November 15, 1879. VOLUME 69—NO. 52. BAIRD, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1954. BOOST BAIRD IN 1954.

Clyde Minister To Abilene Church

Rev. and Mrs. Walter C. Dever will move to Abilene after the first of January, where he will assume his new duties as pastor of the North Park Baptist Church.

Since coming to Clyde five years ago, Rev. and Mrs. Dever have made many friends who wish them every success and happiness in their new home and church.

He fills a vacancy created several months ago by the resignation of Rev. T. M. Harrell, Dr. Millard A. Jenkins, pastor emeritus of the First Baptist Church, has been serving as supply pastor of the North Park Church.

Rev. Dever begins his duties in Abilene on January 2.

Other churches Rev. Dever has headed include those at Eunice, N. M., Post City, Denver City and Paint Rock.

In New Mexico, he was a member of the state executive board of the New Mexico Baptist General Convention. Now he is a member of the Texas executive board.

Rev. Dever also is a member of the executive board of the 17th District of the state convention and the Lueders Encampment Board.

He is a graduate of East Texas State College and Southwestern Baptist Seminary.

Rev. and Mrs. Dever have one son, who is a paratrooper stationed at Fort Campbell, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. Will D. Boydston spent Saturday night and Sunday in Abilene with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Harper. Mrs. Boydston attended a breakfast with Mrs. Harper, on Sunday morning at the Wooten Hotel. They all attended church at the First Baptist Church.

Sales Supervisor For Lone Star Gas Co.



Appointment of B. Walker as sales supervisor for Lone Star Gas Company's Abilene District by W. M. Braymer, district manager.

Walker, native of West Texas and a Lone Star employee since 1939, succeeds Braymer who has been regional division manager for the company's Abilene Division.

Walker began his career at Taylor in various departments operating department in March, 1943, was promoted Taylor District manager two years later transferred to Bartlett of a sub-district in the district. His term as Bartlett, Granger, Early in 1950 he was the Abilene assistant manager.

Walker became a member of the Abilene Chamber of Commerce, a member of the City Council and secretary of the Business Men's Luncheon Club. Mrs. Walker is the former Elsie Langston of Pauls Valley, Okla. The Walker children are Benny Joe, 19, and Harold Wayne, 17. Walker's mother is Mrs. O. W. Walker of Sweetwater.

Born at Mead, Tex., Walker was graduated from the Portland, Ore., High School. He is a member of the First Baptist Church at Abilene and during his career at Bartlett was president of the Chamber of Commerce, a member of the City Council and secretary of the Business Men's Luncheon Club.

LOST!

Mrs. Vernon Myers, of Ark., lost a purse Monday containing quite a sum of money. Mrs. Myers is here visiting G. D. Myers of Star Rt. 2. She either left the purse at the Post Office or lost it on Highway 80 here in town. Finder please notify The Baird Star or the Sheriff's office, please.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held at the American Legion Hall in the City of Baird in Callahan County, Texas, on the 11th day of January, 1955, for the purpose of electing three Directors of the Callahan County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1. The officers of the said election are: D. J. Anderson, Election Judge; Hugh Ross, Assistant Judge; Mrs. J. C. Lee, Mrs. P. E. Mitchell, clerks.

All persons who are qualified voters and who pay taxes in said District shall be entitled to vote in said election.

Gilbert Hinds, Callahan County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 50-3-c

Jack Browning is improving. He has been transferred to the veteran's Hospital in Houston. Bessie Mae Borden has returned home after five weeks with Jack.

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Girl Scout News

Troop 3 of the Baird Girl Scouts had their Christmas party Thursday, Dec. 16 in the home of their leader, Mrs. John Towler.

Linda Drennan, Virginia Gary and Virginia Lee Sprouse were invested as Girl Scouts and received their pins. Linda also received her Brownie Wings and Second Class Badge.

Cooking and Outdoor Cook Badges were presented to Jerry Lou Barnhill, Sarah Hatchett, Dorothy England, Kitty Jones, Karen Towler, Shirley Elliott, and Linda Shaeffer.

The girls exchanged Christmas gifts and presented aprons, which they had made, to the mothers. Cookies, candy and punch were served to the ten Girl Scouts and the following guests: Mrs. Horace Elliott, Mrs. J. L. Simmons, Mrs. C. N. Jenkins, Mrs. Arthur Beasley, Mrs. J. D. Drennan, Vicki Jones, Ronnet Elliott, Vivan and Judy White and Larry and Alan Towler.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Smith and daughter Bettye Lou, will spend Christmas in Olney with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Burton.

Miss Glynda Beth Gilbreath of San Marcos arrived home the first of the week to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gilbreath and Kay.

Oklahoma Rites For E. B. Jackson

The body of Elzie Berry Jackson, 58, was taken Tuesday morning by Wylie Funeral Home to Fort Cobb, Okla., for funeral and burial Wednesday.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Fort Cobb Pentecostal Church with burial in Fort Cobb Cemetery.

Mr. Jackson, resident of Baird for a year, died at 10 p.m. Sunday in Callahan County Hospital.

He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Myrtle Strange of Albert, Okla., and Louise of the home; three sons, Canelous of Roswell, N. M., and Raymond and Delmer of the home.

NOTICE TO THE PATRONS OF BAIRD POSTOFFICE

President Eisenhower has designated Friday, Dec. 24, as a full holiday for postal employees and Friday, Dec. 31, as a half holiday, therefore on each of these days the Baird Postoffice will close after the mail from the evening trains have been worked probably around 2:30 or 3:00 p.m. However all outgoing mail will be dispatched for the night trains as usual.

J. Brice Jones, Postmaster
Mrs. Andrew Johnson of Oplim was a business visitor here on Monday.

To all our friends we send sincerest wishes for a Merry Christmas and joys to gladden the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Levi and Sons



Seasons Greetings

The foundation of all business is confidence, and to you, whose confidence we treasure, we sincerely wish a Christmas of great joy

- Charles M. Isenhower
- J. L. Ault
- Darrell Young
- Charles Young
- Mrs. Mildred Stiffler
- Mrs. Myrtle McIntosh

THE BAIRD STAR
THE CLYDE ENTERPRISE

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Deer Hides Wanted For TB Patients

Deer hunters are asked to throw a handful of common

table salt on the hides they send TB hospital patients.

The request came today from the man who ought to know. L. M. Rathbone, Austin taxidermist,

"Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people."

Greetings of the season



ROCK HOTEL
Mrs. C. J. Redwine

who is receiving the hides for the patients.

Mr. Rathbone says the hides coming in at the rate of 10 to 15 a day are of excellent quality and most are arriving in good shape. But he says the salt will insure against spoilage.

The Volunteer Advisory Council for Texas TB Hospitals will pay for the tanning. Mr. Rathbone is handling the hides free of charge.

Mrs. Helen Smith of Austin, council chairman, asks that the hides be marked "Charity," addressed to Mr. Rathbone at 2708 South Lamar, Austin, and shipped by motor freight.

She says where this procedure is followed all of the major motor freight lines are hauling the hides free of charge.

Rev. and Mrs. John T. Allen and sons, Johnny and Sammy of Grand Prairie will arrive Thursday to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Allen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam H. Gilliland.

Tanning Scene by Carl Rose



The True Safety Service

"Driving doing eighty. Never mind the ambulance. Send a letter."

Mr. and Mrs. J. Dean, of Midland and Mrs. W. H. Todd, Davy and Bill of Wichita Falls will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. M. D. McElroy.

John T. Sparks and son, Johnny and Sammy of Grand Prairie will arrive Thursday to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Allen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam H. Gilliland.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Clampitt and son Carol visited her brother, Wayne Northcutt in Colorado City last weekend. He is in the hospital there after he suffered a heart attack about ten days ago but is much improved now.

Guy Nutt and family will arrive during the holidays and the first of the week.

Bill Work was a business visitor in Dallas the first of the week.



Unto him gifts: gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

PATTIES GRILL

Mrs. K. V. Lewis, Proprietor

Mr. and Mrs. Randall Ivy and Cleo Ivy visited their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ivy and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Yeager in Lubbock last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Short of Cisco, former residents of Baird were visitors here last week.

The J. M. Anderson family of Crane spent last weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fetterly.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Wilson of Abilene visited relatives here last Sunday and also attended the open house at the Hugh Ross home.

Miss Jackie Stanley is visiting in her cousins, Glen and Ray Bryant in El Paso this week.

Perry Gilliland of Refugio is visiting his brother, Sam H. Gilliland and family.

There Is Cause For Rejoicing...

It's Christmas and time for all to be happy. Let us all rejoice in the blessings of this glad time of the year.



The Royce Womack Family



NEIGHBORS

Callahan Abstract Co., Inc.

As we enter upon the threshold of another year our thoughts revert gratefully to those whose courtesy, good will and loyalty have made possible our progress.

In this spirit we extend to you greetings of the Season.

Russell-Surles Abstract Company

Vada White Bennett, Owner

A Merry, Merry Christmas



If it were at all possible, we would see each of you personally, clasp your hand in a friendly sort of way, and say, "Merry Christmas!" At the same time, we would express our sincere thanks for all past favors, and invite your continued patronage on the basis of our genuine interest in your welfare and our desire to be of every service possible to you during the coming year.



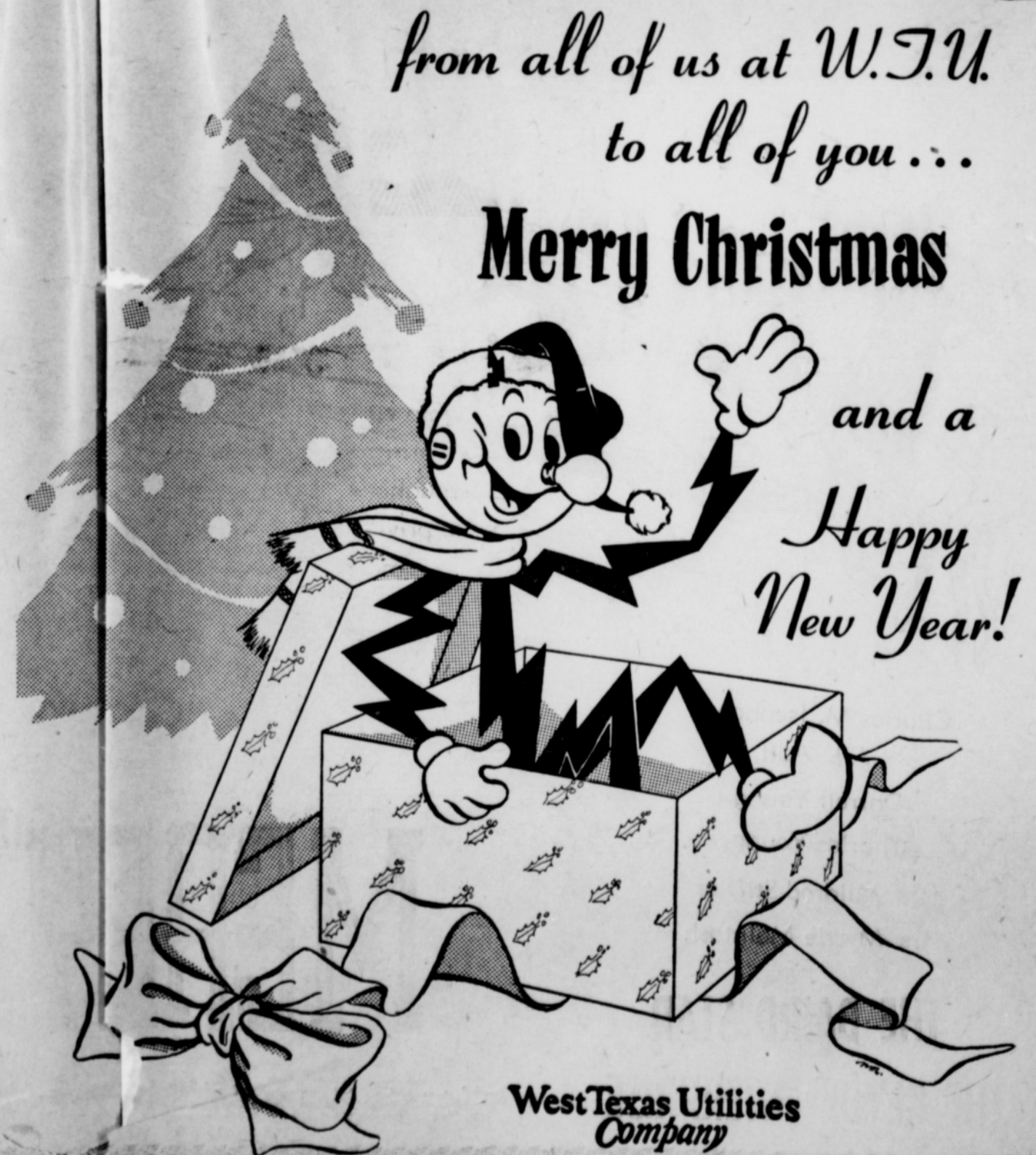
We are sorry we cannot see each of you individually—and we want to convey, through this message, our heartfelt appreciation of your friendships and to wish you all the joys of the Christmas Season.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

from all of us at W.T.U. to all of you...

Merry Christmas

and a Happy New Year!



West Texas Utilities Company

Old Friends and New

The greatest gift that we could ask of Old Saint Nick is the continued friendship and goodwill of our friends and customers. This goodwill is among the worthwhile things we cherish—so one of our greatest joys at Christmas time is expressing our appreciation of your friendship and wishing you a Merry Christmas.

A Merry CHRISTMAS to You

BOYDSTUN HARDWARE COMPANY



POOL IN THE downtown Fort anywhere; an c looking the dow Worth has an unusual feature found in few hotels "Pool in the S door swimming pool on a fifth floor terrace, over the pool is pas town area. Heated for year 'round use, it is named for the swank

SKY—The Fort Worth Hilton in the center of Worth has an unusual feature found in few hotels "Pool in the S door swimming pool on a fifth floor terrace, over the pool is pas town area. Heated for year 'round use, it is named for the swank of a \$1,750,000 expansion and rebuilding program tel.

Wishing you a Joyous Christmas and the best of good wishes



SHACKELFORD'S

Putnam, Texas



To wish you a real old fashioned

Merry Christmas

MAC'S DRIVE INN

COR DIAL GREETINGS
AND ALL THE WISE GOOD YOU, OUR TO
Lawrence D... Store



Christmas Gift

and every good wish for the Season

BAIRD LUMBER COMPANY

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

The Season of Good Cheer finds us again eagerly awaiting the opportunity of expressing a warm and friendly Greeting to our host of friends throughout Callahan County—the community which it is our privilege to serve. May the sentiment we express today remain with you through the Holiday Season... and all the days following.

The approach of the New Year affords us a splendid opportunity to express to you our heartfelt appreciation for your fine friendship and consideration during the preceding twelve months. It is with very real pride that we, your automobile dealers, join hands to say in a harmonizing chorus to you 'HAPPY NEW YEAR.'

ROCKEY MOTOR CO.

RAY MOTOR CO.

SUTPHEN MOTOR CO.

JONES-FRANKE PONTIAC



The Putnam News

SUNDAY SCHOOL PARTY HELD IN S. M. EUBANK HOME

Mrs. S. M. Eubank gave her Sunday School class a Christmas party in her home last Thursday. The house was decorated with Christmas tree and other Christmas decorations. Those present were Mrs. Sam Jobe, Mrs. Della Wise, Mrs. John Cook, Mrs. Mary Kelson, Mrs. Jim Bob Gunn, Mrs. E. C. Waddell, Mrs. Mary Ramsey, Ollie Burnam, Miss Vella Sandlin and Veda Yarbrough. A delicious refreshment plate was served by the hostess, Mrs. S. M. Eubank.

MRS. SHACKELFORD HOSTS W.S.C.S. PARTY

A W.S.C.S. party was held in the home of Mrs. Vena Shackelford. The program was: Christmas Story by Mrs. R. B. Taylor; The Little Mixer by Lillian Shearon given by R. L. Clinton.

A social hour was enjoyed and gifts were exchanged. Refreshments were served to the following: Mmes. R. B. Taylor, R. L. Clinton, Lee White, Alton White, Fred Heyser, Bud Fleming, Lewis Williams, I. G. Mobley, Charlie Davis, Raymond Clark, Luther Park, Tex Herring, E. V. Ramsey, Bill Elder, F. P. Shackelford, Jr., and Misses Betty, Mabel and Ruth Mobley, Gladys Riggs and Mrs. Wright of Cisco.

SCHOOL NEWS

The Putnam boys and girls are entered in the Gorman tournament on Dec. 29, 30, 31 and Jan. 1. The girls will play their first game with Stephenville at 7:45 p.m. on Wednesday night. The boys play Stephenville at 8:45 p.m.

THIRD AND FOURTH GRADES
We will have our tree on Wednesday before we turn out. Ricky Eisenhower's grandfather

FIRE & THEFT PROTECTION
Be Per Day for Safety Deposit Box - 1ST NATL in Cisco - Member F. D. I. C.

and grandmother Allyn of Trent visited him Saturday afternoon and Sunday.

Joe Roy Bentley visited his father in Eula Sunday. Johnny Lee Rouse, L. C. and Doris Lee Donaway went skunk hunting Saturday morning. Linda went to the show Saturday at Cisco and saw "Two Guns And A Badge" and "The River of No Return."

Gayle Burnam visited her grandmother Ramsey Sunday. Alice and Dorothy Aiken visited Joan Hamrick Sunday night. Jane Loiry went to Tuxedo Friday and said a poem at a Christmas program.

Billy and Diane Wagley went to Abilene Sunday and ate in a cafeteria and went to the show. Dorothy and Johnny Johnson visited their grandmother in Cross Cut Sunday.

CLUB NEWS

WOMEN STUDY CLUB HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Woman's Study Club had its Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Fred Heyser. A beautiful short story "A Star Is Born" was given by Mrs. Don Wilson.

A social hour was enjoyed and the gifts were passed to members and guest by Mrs. Heyser's grandson, Randy Wilson.

Refreshments were served to guests: Mrs. Weldon Isenhower of Putnam; Mrs. Maggie Cook of Cross Plains; Mrs. Howard Turner of Cisco; Mrs. Fred Farmer of Baird; Mrs. Don Wilson and children, Randy and Freda Jean; Mmes. Elder, Jessie Ramsey, Bud Fleming, I. G. Mobley and Misses Laverne Rutherford and Gladys Riggs and nineteen club members.

LONE STAR CLUB ENJOYS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Lone Star Study Club met in the home of Mrs. Bertram Jones, Monday, Dec. 20, for a Christmas program.

"The story of Christmas can never grow old, it holds added meaning each time it is retold," this motto for the evening expresses deep meaning and as the program of the evening was

brought to the club members, each experienced a deeper meaning of Christmas.

The following program was presented:

The Man Who Gave Us Christmas - Mrs. E. V. Ramsey

Thoughts On Christmas - Mrs. W. P. Reed

Christmas Flowers and Their Legends - Mrs. Chas. Odom

Refreshments of sandwiches, cake, nuts and spiced hot tea were served to Mmes. Henry Bailey, Floyd Buchanan, Chas. Davis, Milton Sargent, Jack Ramsey, W. P. Reed, Charles Odom, John Cook, Earl Rutherford, John D. Isenhower, Miss Laverne Rutherford and Mrs. Gertrude Jones.

Union Usuals and Unusuals

Veda Yarbrough

Hi there! Say are you ready for old Santa Claus? If not you better get ready for he will be coming Friday night and that is not far away.

Fay and Emmitt Wood, Treva, Mary Dell, Allen Holmes and Peggie Wood came out Saturday night and visited with us. Holmes showed a lot of pictures he made while in Korea and several he has made since he came home. They were real good and we really enjoyed seeing them. They also visited Mrs. Mary Ramsey over in Putnam.

Mr. and Mrs. Cherry and daughter Judy visited with us a while Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Earl Rutherford of Putnam and son Clint of Lubbock were out a while Sunday evening. Clint always comes out to get some eggs to take back to Lubbock with him.

We killed a pig last Friday. Sure was a cold windy day for that kind of a job but we got it done. Hulien Smith of Putnam came out and helped Little Boy Jim, so I guess we will have ham and red gravy for Christmas and sausage too. Maybe I can manage to make some hot biscuits to eat with them. We have been eating good old cracklin' corn bread. Sure goes good with these turnip greens.

Ruth and Mabel Mobley are sick again. Sorry you girls are sick. Hope you get well so you can eat a lot of Christmas goodies. I missed you at our Christmas party, which was at Mrs. Heyser's. It was a lovely party and old Santa was real good to us. We enjoyed so very much the Christmas story "A Star Is Born" brought by Mrs. Don Wilson of Cisco. Mrs. Wilson is the daughter of Mrs. Heyser.

Mrs. Mary Ramsey and Ollie Burnam went to Cross Plains Sunday afternoon. They visited Mrs. Mary's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Bishop and the Alton Hornsby boys.

Mrs. Mary Ramsey and I attended the funeral of Mr. W. W. Everett. We also visited with the W. M. Isenhower family at Wood's.

The oil activities seem to be slowing down so they will start Christmas.

I am getting sleepy and tired all and a Merry Christmas. Hope everyone so if I don't eat to much turkey and as goodies I will see you again next week.

Putnam Personalities . . .
Ruth and Mabel Mobley spent Friday with their sister, Mrs. Herman. Mr. and Mrs. Macon Norris of Cross Plains and husband Mrs. George Brown Sunday. Ray Green, a student of A&M.

Let Your Bank Be Bookkeeper Cisco - Member F. D. I. C. - AND SAVE TIME

Lexadene and children of Rising Star; daughter, Paula of El Dorado, Ark. Chesley and Paula came in their plane to think they all had their Christmas while here. Chesley and Paula left Sunday afternoon for home with Mr. and Mrs. Cliff W. Chesley, Paul Brooks all flew back to El Dorado.

Mrs. Grady went back to Dallas Sunday to be with Mr. Hub Sherman who is so ill in a Dallas hospital. She took Dan and Rick Sherman with her to see their mother. We were so sorry to hear of Sidney Harvey's mother, Mrs. Harp of Baird being hurt Saturday afternoon in a car wreck. Hope you are not too badly hurt. Mrs. Harp, a son got out of the hospital.

The truck started putting the rock on the highway today. Maybe we will have a highway.

My were with up in the air out here on Cisco Rt. 1 because no one got the Baird Star. Friday. Saturday I came no Baird Star. I called me and asked why I didn't get our Baird Star. I didn't know I didn't get one either did Ollie Burnam and George Browns. So we were a little worried but this morning when the postman came there was a good old Baird Star. You don't know how badly you miss getting it till it doesn't come. We all look forward to Friday so we can read the Star. I had a letter from Emma Crockett, a lady who lives in Callahan County. She enjoyed the Baird Star and Bill of D. A. Yarbrough. D. McJopposed to go back to the doctor tomorrow but he didn't think he needs to go.

We are looking for James Carter tomorrow. He will come Thursday night. They will be here to see the Clause if he stops here.

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Chesley Pruet and daughter Paula of El Dorado, Ark., were visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Pruet and relatives over the weekend. J. H. Culwell is home visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Culwell. J. H. is in the Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Taylor of Putnam, Miss Bobbie Kerley of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Taylor and son Gary of Weatherford went to Love Field Sunday to meet Pete Taylor who has just received his discharge from the U. S. Air Force.

Mrs. Mary Ramsey visited her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Bishop in Cross Plains Sunday.

Mrs. Raymond Clark visited Mrs. Clark in Cisco Monday. Mrs. C. C. Ware and son Arthur of Groves were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rutherford last week.

Dr. Charlie Durnin and daughter, Mrs. Henry Hess from Pine Island, Minn., stopped by Tuesday to visit Mrs. Mary Guyton before going on to Calif. to spend Christmas with Mary Jane Durnin.

H. N. Balderee was in Putnam visiting friends Tuesday. He was pastor of the Baptist Church for a long time.

B. E. Rutherford is spending this week in Groves visiting relatives.

Mrs. C. K. Odom was shopping in Ranger Monday.

Mmes. Jack Ramsey and Wilburn Williams were shopping in Abilene Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brown made a business trip to San Antonio Thursday.

Those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Everett this week were Mrs. J. B. Sandlin of Corpus Christi; Mrs. B. B. Sutton and son Bob of Alice, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Lee of Eunice, N. M., Buel and daughter Sue Ann of Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Everett and son Michael Allan of San Antonio, Loren and Jo Verli.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brandon and his mother were here with friends and relatives in Putnam Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Rutherford of Abilene and Clint Rutherford of Lubbock were visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rutherford Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. Royce Pruet and children, Cynthia and Rodney of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Pruet Saturday night.

Mrs. Everette Williams and daughter Kay are here this week for the holidays.

Mrs. John D. Isenhower was shopping in Cisco Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Allen Pruet and son Mike of Cross Plains; Mrs. Ralph Mitchell and sons, Gary, Kenneth and Ronnie of Abilene visited relatives in Putnam Sunday.

Lucille Hall of Baird spent Sunday night with the Mobley girls, Ruth, Betty and Mabel.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Sunderman and sons, James Kerby, Max, and Kyle of Corpus Christi spent the night with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sunderman Sunday night. They were on their way to Canyon to spend the holidays

with Mrs. Sunderman's parents. Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Speegle ate Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Donaway.

Lincoln File of Gaylor was visiting Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Hamrick and family Sunday.

Tohse visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Pruet Sunday were Mrs. Billie Mac Jobe and children, Irene and Stanley, Chesley Pruet and daughter Paula, Henton Pruet, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Yeager and Mabel Mobley.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry West and daughter Carol of Abilene were visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Eubank Saturday.

Mr. Charlie Everett of Albuquerque, N. M. spent two nights with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Everett this week.

So sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Warren Everett of Cisco.

Sunshine Club Holds Christmas Party

The Eula Sunshine Circle had their annual Christmas party and luncheon in the home of Mrs. Earl Millhorn recently. After the luncheon Christmas carols were sung by the group. Mrs. Tom Stoker gave the Christmas devotional, beginning with the prophet's foretelling Christ's coming. His coming, His life and what it means to us and to the world.

Mrs. Erston Harrison installed the new officers with the candle lighting service. Gifts were exchanged from underneath the lighted Christmas tree. Each member brought a gift for a patient at the Abilene State Hospital.

Members enjoying the annual luncheon were Mmes. A. L. Meek, J. S. Bentley, Ella Farrar, Lera Battles, Cecil Harris, J. E. Stallley, M. L. Logan, P. B. Loving, Claude Tarrant, M. Russell, Tom Stoker, Austin McClure, Newt Trotter, J. O. Hallmark, R. L. Britton, Ross Farmer, Seeb Baulch, O. J. Witte, J. W. Gray, R. H. Brock, Hilton Edwards, E. E. Harrison and Miss Gertie Harris. The visitors were: Mmes. Tee Baulch, Willis Baulch, Nellie Harrison, Fred Farmer, Miss May Warren and Jerry Bentley.

Mr. and Mrs. Si Greene of Abilene spent Tuesday with his mother, Mrs. Daniel S. Greene. Mr. Greene has recently returned from an extended visit in Wyoming.

Bobbie Poe, student in A&M arrived home the first of the week to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Jessie Poe and other relatives.

Miss Patsy Betcher, student in San Marcos, is home for the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Betcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie West, Cindy and Chris of Pasadena visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Price and other relatives here last week.

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last month. The purpose of the six campus literary societies is to foster friendship among women students on the campus and to promote ideals of social behavior and literary culture. Miss Betcher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Betcher, is a new member of the Philosophical Literary Society. She is a freshman majoring in business administration at SWTSTC.

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Mrs. E. C. Fulton was hostess to the Presbyterian Ladies, Monday night, Dec. 13 at 8 p.m. After singing and prayer, Mrs. Fulton presided over the opening of the Christmas program. Mrs. Robert F. Jones, of the Abilene, who spoke the message of the "Orphanage." She also told of her three children who were very interested in the Christmas message. Her message was full of hope and encouragement for the future. Mrs. Fulton was assisted by Mrs. Willie King and the girls of the church. A social hour followed and delicious refreshments were served to the guests. Mrs. E. C. Fulton, Mrs. Ellen McGowen, Mrs. Griffin Jones, Mrs. Kenner, Mrs. Arthur Parsons, Mrs. Virginia Settle, Mrs. Ethel Hughes, Mrs. Ann Jones, Mrs. Lila Alexander.

Wednesday
Christmas Club Has Party
Mrs. V. E. Hill was hostess on Dec. 15 for the annual Christmas party of the Wednesday Club. The topic for the afternoon was "Our Religious Heritage." Miss Isadore Grimes presented "Our Religious Heritage" and Mrs. Lee Ivey presided. Mrs. W. P. Hill presided over the program. Mrs. Hill reported on the work of the club during the year. It was announced that the club will have a Christmas party on Dec. 19 at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. N. P. Hill. Mrs. Hill presided over the program. Mrs. Hill reported on the work of the club during the year. It was announced that the club will have a Christmas party on Dec. 19 at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. N. P. Hill.

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Oplin Observations

By Mrs. Daphne Floyd
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To all of the readers of my column may I say "Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year." Yes indeed Christmas is close enough that I practically feel the breath of Saint Nick's reindeer on my neck this very minute and this is only Sunday, Dec. 19.

The Christmas spirit got underway when a large crowd attended the program at the Baptist Church last Saturday night, Dec. 18. Mrs. Tommie Windham was in charge of the program, which was presented by candlelight. Mrs. M. C. McGowen and daughter, Carol Lynn, of Baird were guests on the program. A large tree decorated and adorned with gifts for the Mexican Orphanage symbolized our method of giving. A small tree was loaded with gifts for the pastor and family, Rev. and Mrs. McAuley and son, Davis. Packages of fruit and candy were presented to everyone present.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Frymire and children, Kenneth and Brenda Jo of Jal, N. M. were home to attend the funeral of her grandfather, Albert Betcher, Sr. Friends were happy to see the couple's two week old daughter, Brenda Jo. Just a regular doll.

Sorry to hear that Aunt Chris Johnson had been pretty sick the first of last week but I was happy to hear she was up and about by the last of the week.

Mr. Sidney Harville's mother, Mrs. D. F. Harp of Baird was slightly injured last Saturday in an automobile accident when the car in which she was riding and which was driven by a son-in-law, Garvin Jones, was hit by another car. Seems as though she was enroute to Dr. Evan's office when the accident occurred. She received bad bruises, a broken nose and suffered shock.

Dr. and Mrs. M. C. McGowen and daughter, Carol Lynn of Baird were the supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Windham last Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnson announce the arrival of a baby daughter born Saturday, Dec. 18. The couple have a small son, James and are living near Monahan. The proud paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Johnson of Oplin.

A large crowd attended the Christmas tree and program at the Methodist Church last Sunday night, Dec. 19. Shirley Nobles was in charge of the program. It is their custom to have an exchange of gifts at their tree. Fruit and candy was also presented to everyone present.

Santa must have stopped a few days early at Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Haynes' of Lawn as they were at Oplin Sunday driving a new Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bell and son, Ronnie and Mrs. W. A. Tankersley all of Brownwood visited Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Tankersley last Sunday.

Miss Ann Buckingham of Dallas arrived Tuesday to spend a few days with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Lawrence.

Capt. J. P. Henderson and his mother, Mrs. Ethel Henderson of Camp Gordon, Georgia are visiting in the J. T. Lawrence home.

Chester Warren of Austin visited his aunt, Mrs. G. A. Gwin and Mr. Gwin last Saturday.

Mrs. Fulton Hosts Delphian Club

Mmes. M. D. Bell and E. C. Fulton were co-hostesses for the Delphian Club Dec. 14 in the home of Mrs. Fulton.

Decorations were in keeping with the holiday season. Gifts were placed under the lighted Christmas tree for the State Hospital in Wichita Falls.

The president, Mrs. S. L. McElroy, called the meeting to order and the Club Collect was read followed with the invocation by Mrs. Tee Baulch. Mrs. W. P. Brightwell, program chairman, introduced the program, the theme being "Our Faith in God." Mrs. M. L. Stubblefield presented "The Keeper of the Inn" and Mrs. Jim Asbury gave a "Faith for Tough Times." Christmas carols were sung by the entire group.

Two guest artists from the High School were introduced: Mary Brown who gave a reading of Christmas poems and Elizabeth Ann Snyder who sang "O Holy Night." She was accompanied by Mrs. Sidney Foy.

Refreshments were served to fifteen members and the following guests: Mmes. Col. Dyer, Ace Hickman, Sidney Foy and Misses Mary Brown and Elizabeth Ann Snyder.

Bill Ray of Texas Tech, Lubbock, will arrive Thursday to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Margie Ray and other relatives.

George Sutphen, student in A&M College arrived home Monday for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Sutphen.

Mrs. Rebecca Curry has returned to her home here after an extended visit with relatives in the Panhandle.

H. R. Jefferies left the first of the week for Corpus Christi where he will spend the Christmas holidays with relatives.

Sunshine Club Meets With Mrs. Beck

The Sunshine Club met in the home of Mrs. Ica Beck on Dec. 18 for the annual Christmas party.

Several members and visitors enjoyed the beautiful tree and exchanged gifts, after which they enjoyed a social hour.

Letters To Santa . . .

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy 4 years old. I've been pretty good this year. Would you please bring me a drum and a tent. My little sister, Donna, is one year old. She wants a musical rocking chair. We would both like some fruit and candy.
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Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Whitehorn spent last Sunday in Cross Plains with his brother, R. N. Whitehorn, who is ill.

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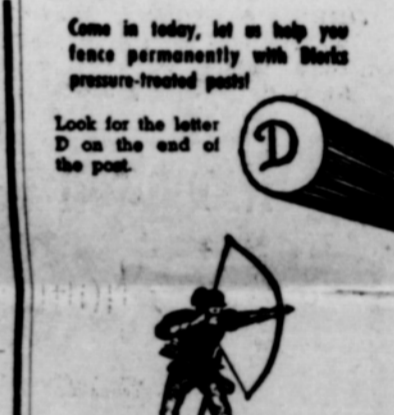
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Brrrr! We had a slight change in the weather, folks, although I haven't seen any ice as yet. This is only Sunday though and who can tell what the next day may bring. We did have about a half inch of rain Saturday and if a freeze follows this cold spell maybe it will help save the grain from freezing out.

Lowell Johnson had the misfortune to lose a nice calf last Thursday night when it was

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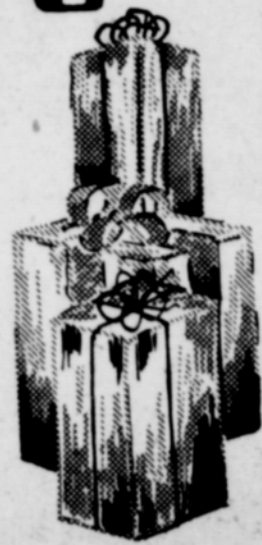


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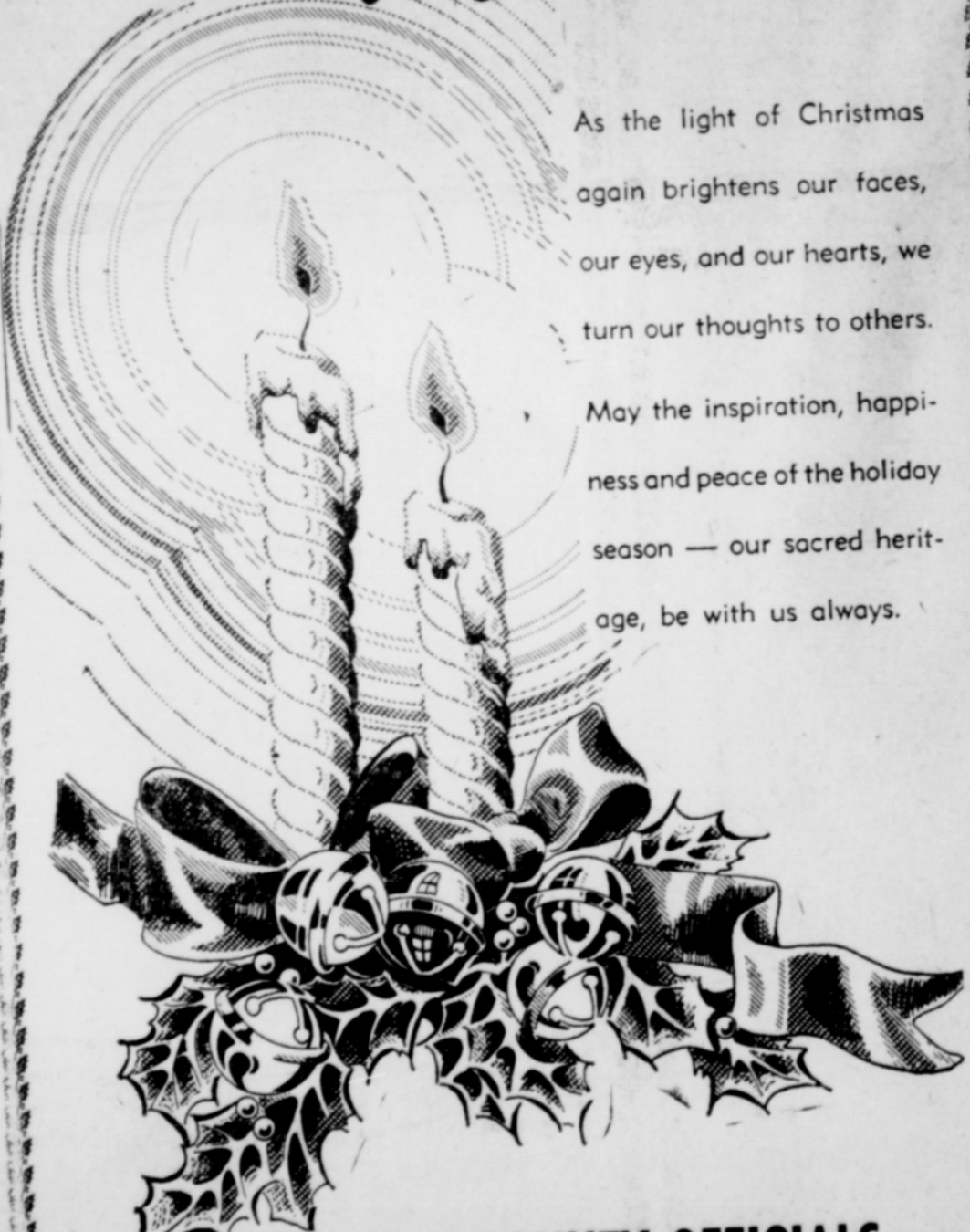
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2. Mr. Roaper said the best all-around safety advice he could give motorists was "slow down - adjust your speed to conditions." But he added these suggestions for motorists planning holiday trips:

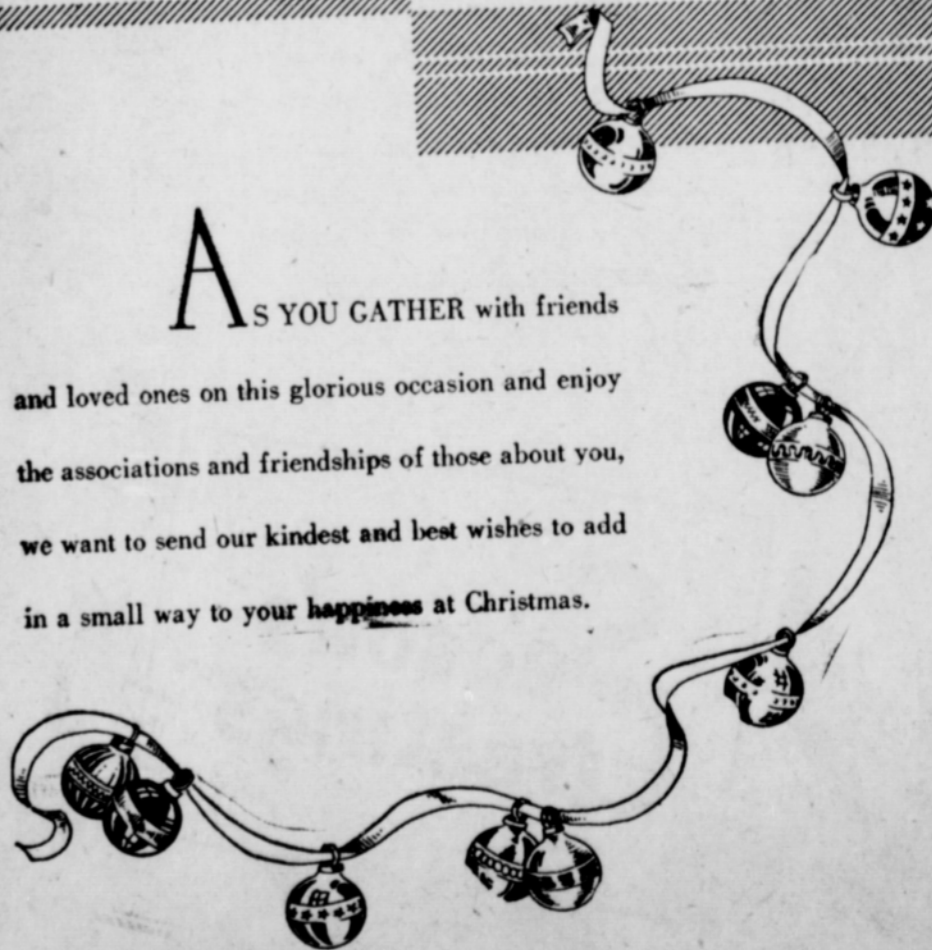
1. Plan your trip so that as much of the driving as possible will be accomplished during the light hours of the day.

2. Postpone your trip entirely when the weather is particularly rainy, snowy, or when sleet and hail are in the weather forecast. Be sure to consult a weather forecast for the area to which you're driving.

3. Be certain your car is in tip-top mechanical condition before attempting to take any sort of a trip.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

AS YOU GATHER with friends and loved ones on this glorious occasion and enjoy the associations and friendships of those about you, we want to send our kindest and best wishes to add in a small way to your happiness at Christmas.



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Rowden Round-Up

By Thelda Crow
Community Activities Reliably
Reported by The Star Reporter

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Odie Smedley Saturday was Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Smedley and family and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blekeley of Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. Chief Horner and children of Ahlens visited Mr. and Mrs. Gene Mauldin and family over the weekend.

Some of the people of Rowden went to the homes of the people

of our community and sang Christmas carols.

The children of the Rowden Baptist Church presented a Christmas program to the church Sunday night.

Bill Hart of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Hart of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Garner, Don Lynn and Gwynel of Lamesa will spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hart.

After all is said and done, we keep on saying and doing.

Tape Recorders Used By Students

The Texas Tech department of foreign languages has initiated a program to utilize tape recorders in aiding students with their homework.

The beginning French language class can go to the Tech library, put on a set of ear-phones and hear the next day's lesson being read in perfect French. By the beginning of the next semester, all lessons for the first-year French course will be on tape and available to students.

Although this mechanical study aid is being used solely by the language department, similar tapes can be used to teach English, music and many other subjects.

Dr. John H. Dowling, head of the foreign languages department, and William Roberts, foreign languages instructor, are developing the technique.

Present equipment consists of a tape player and eight sets of earphone. Proposed additions include a recorder, to permit students to compare their pronunciation with that of an expert, and listening booths to enable an entire class to drill simultaneously on the day's assignment.

IT'S THE LAW

IN TEXAS
A public service feature of The Star

GIFTS - HOW MUCH DO THEY COST?

Since everyone thinks quite a lot about gifts during the holiday season, the subject of gift taxes may be a surprise to some people, the federal government levies a tax on gifts made by one person to another.

However the government has no desire to tax ordinary birthday and Christmas gifts. The law therefore excludes from taxable gifts given to each individual in each calendar year.

The law also excludes from taxable gifts gifts to the church, community organizations, and charitable organizations, and allows an exemption of \$30,000 - before the tax applies.

The tax applies whether the gift is of money or of property. If it is of property, the tax is computed on the fair market value of the property at the date of the gift.

The purpose of the gift tax is to remove the gift from the taxable estate of the giver at the time of his death. This may or may not be accomplished. The federal law provides that transfers made within three years before date of death shall be deemed to have been made in contemplation of death and shall be taxable to the one who dies.

It may be advisable to "look a gift horse in the mouth" for the gift may cost more in income taxes as well as the gift tax.

For income tax purposes the cost basis of property received by gift is the cost to the giver regardless of the fact that the giver may have paid a gift tax on the gift. The other rule is that in case of property received by inheritance, the cost basis is the fair market value at the

date of the decedent's death.

An example will show the application of the rules. Suppose a farmer acquired his land in the early days at a cost of \$10,000. This property is now worth \$50,000. The farmer wishes to retire and to escape estate taxes, so he gives the farm to his daughter.

Although he may pay federal gift taxes totaling several thousand dollars, when the daughter decides to sell the farm for its \$50,000 value, she still has to pay income tax on \$40,000 profit (difference between the sales price and her father's cost of \$10,000.)

On the other hand, if the farmer had not given the farm to the daughter, but had left it to her under his will, he would have saved the gift tax. The daughter would have taken the property at a cost basis of \$50,000, so upon the sale she would

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not have had to pay any income tax.

Of course, there would have been some estate taxes and administration expenses in the father's estate, but that would have been much less than the taxes which resulted from the gift. However, depending upon individual and particular circumstances, there may be occasions when a gift is advisable. Your lawyer can advise you on this matter.

(This column, based on federal and Texas law, is written to inform—not to advise. No person should ever apply or interpret the law without the aid of an attorney who knows the facts, because the facts may change the application of the law.)

The Bill Bookouts of Dallas sept last weekend with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Ross, Mary and Janet.

Season's Greetings
AND BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR
MAYFIELD'S

Wishing a
Merry Christmas
to some people it's a pleasure to remember

BRYANT LAUNDRY

Merry
CHRISTMAS
And, may we
add —
THANK
YOU
For your
Patronage
STAUDT JEWELRY

THE JOY OF
Christmas
May you have
Each Joy and
Blessing
That is part of
Christmas Day

MODERN TAILORS

WITH BEST WISHES FOR A
Merry Christmas
TO EACH OF YOU

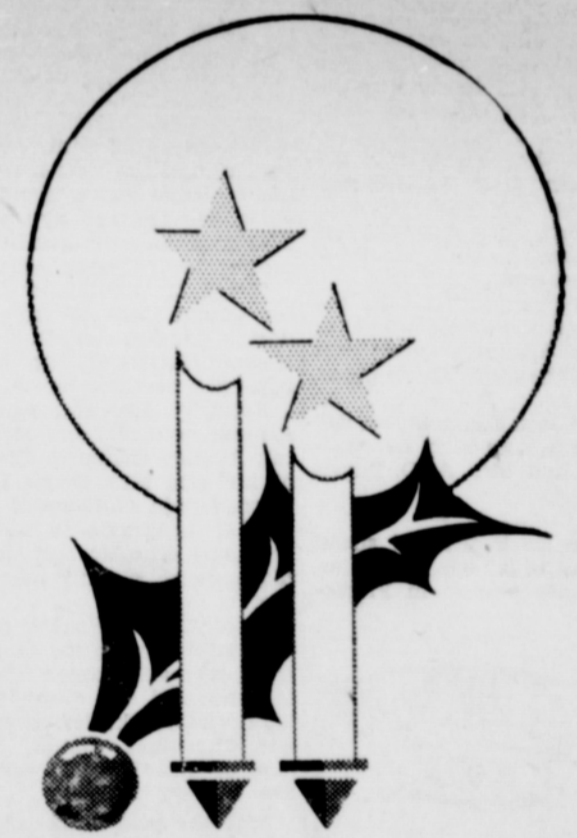
OSCAR STIFFLER

*It's the Old,
Old Story...*



Journey of the three Wise Men
to bring gifts
to the new born King
is familiar to each of us,
as fascinating and thrilling now
as when it was first related.
and just as thrilling to us
is the opportunity we have
each Yuletide
to wish our friends,

Merry Christmas
Lock Insurance Agency



GREETINGS!

With grateful acknowledgement of your courtesies and the evidences of your good will that have made the past year a pleasure to us, we wish you a Christmas of great joy and a New Year of Happiness and Prosperity.

We pledge ourselves to an even greater and more efficient service than ever before and in keeping with this policy, we respectfully solicit your continued friendship and patronage.

Municipal Light Plant

We
Wish You
an
OLD FASHIONED
CHRISTMAS

At this radiant Season of good cheer, when business cares and worries are overshadowed by good fellowship and kind thoughts and deeds, we sincerely wish you an old fashioned joyful Christmas and a just reward for your every effort during the New Year.

You have been very considerate in every way during the time it has been our privilege to serve you. For that reason we have set as our goal greater efforts to serve you more diligently than ever before.

Home Telephone And Electric Company

Sam Baugh Speaks At Grid Banquet

National Football Hero Sam Baugh was guest speaker at the annual Baird Bear football banquet held in the First Methodist Church last Friday night. The annual affair is sponsored by the Callahan County Luncheon Club to honor the Bears, who this year were champions of District 7-B and Co-Champions of Districts 7-B and 8-B.

Baugh, associate coach at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, was introduced by Coach H. R. Jeffries, who is in his first year as coach of the Baird schools.

Rev. Riley Fugitt, minister of the First Baptist Church, opened the program with the invocation. Following was a very delicious luncheon served by the ladies of the Methodist Church. Immediately following the meal Leslie Bryant, who was master of ceremonies and is president of the Club, introduced several speakers who thanked the Club for its hospitality and congratulated the victorious Bears on a most successful season.

Irvin Corn presented Coach Jeffries with a Bulova watch on behalf of the Baird Quarterback Club and Hugh Ross presented him with a check from the school in appreciation of his work this season.

Baugh was then introduced. Sam, as most people know him, was an outstanding quarterback for the Washington Redskins for 5 years. He started his football at Sweetwater High School, went to TCU and then to the Redskins. He retired from participation in the game a few seasons ago but continued on as a coach with the Cowboys of H-SU. Baugh stated that the backing of the town was a necessary thing to have a winning team. Certainly the team had that this year. The town was great to support its boys this year and may they do so even more next season. The speaker further stated that the main thing for the boys to remember was to do their best at all times that they are on that field. In order to be a great ball player one must act like a great ball player. This was very good advice and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the interesting speech.

After the main speech the program was turned over to Coach Jeffries. He then presented awards to the lettermen of the 2 years team. Jackets were presented to 16 boys with 9 reserves getting sweaters. The lettermen are: Robert Corn, Arvid Harris, Floyd Wood, Bill Gorman, Leslie Nichols, Fain Williams, Curtis Alphin, John Bullock, James Warren, Paul Jones, Gerald Weed, George Lambert, Tony Price, Jim Barnes, Bobby Joy, and Don Jones. The first 8 men will be lost to the squad next year either by graduation or by ineligibility.

Next on the agenda was the presentation of the District 8-B Trophy by the Tri-Captains, Robert Corn, John Bullock, and Bill Gorman to Bill K. Ford, Capt. of schools.

The program ended with the showing of the films taken of the Baird-Rochester bi-district game and the Baird-Clyde game.

Mr. and Mrs. Edger Smith will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Purvis in Ft. Worth.

Mrs. Eunice Brock will spend Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Allmon in Franklin, La.



THURS. - FRI.
DICK POWELL
DEBBIE REYNOLDS
in

"Susan Slept Here"
Color by Technicolor

SATURDAY
"Four Guns To The Border"
BORY CALHOUN
COLEEN MILLER

SUN. - MON. - TUES.
GREGORY PECK
"Man With A Million"
Technicolor

WED. - THUR.
FRANK SINATRA
STERLING HAYDEN
"Suddenly!"

Callahan County Hospital News

Patients
Mmes.:
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John Stewart
H. W. Plowman, Cross Plains
D. F. Harp
Charline Bailey and daughter
Anita Mendez
Homer McIntosh
Miss Josephine Hamlett
Mr. L. H. Jernsted, Houston

Dismissals
Mmes.:
J. E. Bibb
D. D. Winkle, Cross Plains
Cecil Nichols
Euna Lovelady, Putnam
J. T. Edwards, Clyde
Walter Williams
Mr. A. D. Smith, Cross Plains
Mr. Homer McIntosh
Mr. Dudley M. Faircloth
Mr. Ed Glover

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hill, Jr., arrived by plane Tuesday from Castle Air Base, Merced, Calif., for a two-week visit with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hill of Baird and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Phillips of San Angelo. Others home for Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Hill, Sr., will be their daughters and husbands: Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Davis, Tulsa, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Ira M. Goodrich, Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Bill D. Young, Craig and Diane of Abilene.

Mrs. Daniel S. Greene is spending the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Wood in Cross Plains. Her grandchildren from Ft. Worth, Dallas and Odessa will also be there.

Church Of Christ News

The preacher and his family were pleasantly surprised last Sunday night when just about everyone from church came home with him after services. And then came the gifts, an electric blanket, an electric coffee maker and Chinese checkers and then coffee and cookies for everyone. We take this means of thanking you from the bottom of our hearts for your kindness and thoughtfulness.

We are to have two visiting preachers with us next Lord's Day. Bro. L. W. Hayhurst of Fairview, Okla. will speak for us at the morning service and Bro. Charlie Boyce of Helena, Okla. will speak at the evening service. Both preachers will be visiting in the home of your preacher. We urge you to be mindful of the worship services next Sunday and to come early for Bible study.

Tecumseh Topics

Mrs. Lillian Crawford Tersely Told, Typographically Tended and Tolerably True.

Christmas Greeting to all. It seems that Santa Claus is just around the corner and now the weather seems so nice and quite but time enough yet for a great change in weather conditions before Santa's arrival.

Mrs. J. M. Whitley left Sunday for Grand Falls to visit a few days in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnson, who have a baby girl at their house.

Recently Mr. and Mrs. Roy Armour, and Mr. and Mrs. Linton Atchley visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Hodges.

Ira, Lynda and myself visited Sunday afternoon in the Hodges home. Also Mr. and Mrs. Jess Mason were visiting over there too.

I think Mrs. Hodges did the wrong thing when she sliced that fruit cake and passed it around for she said she always had a lot of fruit cake left over from her Christmas dinner, so I'm glad that maybe I will make her another visit soon.

Just the past week we heard from Mrs. James McNeal, formerly Margie Lee Crawford of the community, telling about her baby girl born Dec. 1.

Dale and Bet were out here Saturday night and they tell us they will be back Christmas Eve. Do you understand why? Well they are still looking for Santa. A lot of fun to look under the Christmas trees and see what names are on the packages and from whom. Lynda saw one with a tag that was addressed to her and from Santa, but she said "I know that one is not from him because he hasn't been here yet."

Heard lately that Mrs. M. E. Howton, an old-timer of Tecumseh before moving to Ranger, has had the misfortune of falling and a wrist joint that has her handicapped in the use of her hand.

Sonny Whitehorn of Abilene spent last weekend with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Whitehorn.

Yvonne Melton of Breckenridge is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Lawrence.

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da of Kermit; Miss Alzena Clappitt, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Warren and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Millorn all of Baird; Lucien Warren of Oplin and Mr. and Mrs. Delmon Smith and son Stephen of Lawn.

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LEAN, TENDER
CHUCK ROAST, lb. . . . 45c

FRESH GROUND
HAMBURGER, lb. . . . 39c

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FIRM, CRISP
LETTUCE, 2 heads . . . 25c

GREEN, PASCAL
CELERY HEARTS . . . 25c

VALLEY FRESH
CARROTS, cello package . . . 09c

PURPLE TOP
TURNIPS, lb. . . . 05c

BLACK'S

RECIPE OF THE WEEK
By Mary Lee Taylor
Holiday Cheese Dip

3-oz. package white cream cheese, softened
5-oz. jar sharp cheddar cheese spread, softened
1/4 cup Pet Evaporated Milk
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
1 teaspoon grated onion

Put the cheeses into a quart bowl. Mix thoroughly by mashing with back of a spoon. Stir in milk, a little at a time. Add Worcestershire sauce and onion. Mix in well. Chill thoroughly (see note). Serve with potato chips or small crackers.

NOTE: After chilling, remove dip from refrigerator and let stand about 1/2 hour to soften before you serve it.

Whole pound

CRANBERRIES, 1 lb. box . . . 25c

IMPERIAL OR DOMINO
SUGAR . . . 88c

10 lb. bag

FLOUR
25 lb. sack
\$1.79

CANDY

12 oz. pkg.
23c

OLEO, Kimbell's, lb.

19c

MARSHMALLOW CREME

HIP-O-LITE, 16 oz. jar . . . 25c

KOUNTY KIST

2 cans
CORN . . . 25c

KRAFT DINNER, 2 boxes

19c

PET MILK

2 tall cans
25c

BETTY-CROCKER

CAKE MIXES
33c



BLACK'S

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