

The Cross Plains Review

CROSS PLAINS' OLDEST BUSINESS INSTITUTION

"Without offense to friends or foes we sketch Cross Plains exactly as it goes."

CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS

"When the One Great Scorer Comes to Write Against Your Name He Writes Not If You Won Or Lost But How You Played The Game"

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Bank Rounds Out Successful Year

The Citizens State Bank of Cross Plains is rounding out its most successful year in history. At a meeting of directors last week a semi-annual dividend of 10 per cent was voted stockholders. This added to the eight per cent dividend paid in July first brings the total dividend to 18 per cent. In addition directors appropriated a Christmas bonus to employees and increased the institution's over-all capital structure. \$50,000 was added to the reserve fund for contingencies, bringing it to \$60,000, and making the total bank account now \$128,000. Book value of the bank building, fixtures and equipment was reduced making those items now worth \$110,000, far below actual value.

Reflecting the sound financial principles practiced by the institution is the fact that during 1949 the bank's debts amounted to only \$100,000. This phenomenal record was accomplished despite the fact that loans during the year amounted to more than a million dollars.

We are deeply grateful to the friends of friends whose loyal support have made our growth possible," says P. V. Tunnell, vice-president of the Cross Plains bank, "and we will endeavor to express our appreciation by continuing to render the very best service of which we are capable."

Promises To Be Hot Political Year

Probably a shadow of things to come, indicating that 1950 may be the hottest political year in Callahan County, are rumors that the candidate for county clerk will be larger than life. The office, that of County Clerk, is expected to be held by at least three aspirants. It is confidently expected that B. C. Christman, incumbent, J. E. Sunderman and C. C. Cash will all be in the race. Several other offices are likewise expected to offer voters a wide choice.

Campbell Buys Out David Kane's Part Of Supply Concern

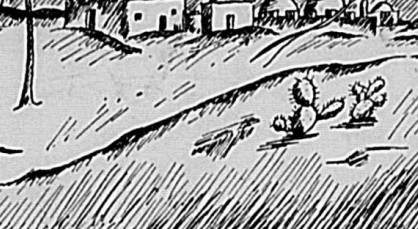
James M. Campbell has purchased David Kane's interest in the supply store which the two have operated here for some time. The store, although only announced recently, becomes effective as of December first.

New And Renewal Subscribers To The Review This Week

- Chas. Barr
- Ed. Barr
- Whaley Jackson
- Joe B. McAdams
- Claris Clark
- Kenneth White
- D. Smith
- Chas. Barr
- W. Payne
- L. Little
- T. Reed
- W. Johnson
- Frank Holley
- W. Ogilvy
- Joe Pierce
- Mrs. Kate Womack
- Chas. Emer Farmer
- E. D. Hill
- Frank Ferrell
- B. Edington
- B. Neeb
- F. Purvis
- Shelman
- L. Teague
- C. Teague
- Meador
- W. Franke
- Alma Morris
- Coegin
- J. H. Marague
- J. W. Westerman
- L. Ferrell

Let men their songs employ

O Little Town of Bethlehem



Silent Night

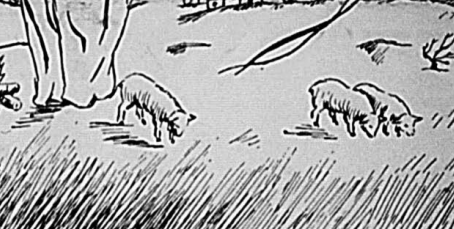


FOR ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-ONE YEARS THE WORLD'S CHRISTIAN VOICES HAVE BEEN SINGING THIS MOST BELOVED OF ALL CHRISTMAS CAROLS, WHICH STRIKES AS CLOSE TO THE SOURCE OF DIVINE INSPIRATION IN MANKIND AS ANY MUSIC CAN.

LIKE MUCH THAT IS GREAT, IT HAD AN HUMBLE, ALMOST IGNOMINIOUS, BEGINNING. IT WAS CREATED, IN A FINAL, DESPERATE EFFORT TO MEET A LOCAL CEREMONIAL EMERGENCY, BY THE COMBINED EFFORTS OF FRANZ GRUBER, SCHOOLMASTER, AND FATHER JOSEF MOHR, ASSISTANT PRIEST OF THE BAVARIAN VILLAGE OF OBERNDORF.

FIRST SUNG ON CHRISTMAS MORNING OF THE YEAR 1818, THE WONDROUS WORDS AND MUSIC OF "STILLE NACHT" ARE REVERED TODAY BY THE WHOLE CIVILIZED WORLD.

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear



The First Noel



We Three Kings of Orient Are



W. A. Crutchmiller and Miss Edna Krell visited in the home of his sister-in-law in Gorman Sunday.

Mrs. Norma Saunders has as her guest this week her daughter, Phae, of Fort Worth.

School Man Thanks P-TA For Recent Ground Equipment

Hubert Kelley, principal of Cross Plains grammar school, expresses appreciation to the Parent-Teachers Association in behalf of students and teachers for the recent improvements made to play ground equipment.

"The children have certainly enjoyed the new swings, see-saws, and slides, and teachers are delighted with the type of construction which minimizes the chance of any child getting hurt", Kelley says.

The playground equipment, representing an expenditure of several hundred dollars, is only one of several improvement projects which the local P-TA has made possible in the past two years.

Government Must Guarantee Price Of Farm Products

Congress compromise farm bill contains some good news for consumers and farmers alike, but a big headache for Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan.

Passage of the measure gives consumers reason to hope for a sizable cut in egg and pork prices next year.

At the same time, the bill puts the government permanently in the business of underwriting farm purchasing power at levels far higher than prewar.

Farmers will be guaranteed one more year of record high peacetime supports of 90 per cent of parity for major field crops. Three crops will actually have supports boosted next year. After that, there will be only a gradual tapering off of supports. For some but not all of the so-called basic crops, supports by 1954 will be permitted theoretically to drop a little more than one-sixth below present levels.

Headache for Brannan

Brannan will be in for a headache because the bill—beginning in the congressional election year of 1950—leaves it up to him to decide how high farm market prices should be held for eggs, hogs and chickens.

In providing supports for butterfat, hogs, poultry, eggs and milk, Brannan will have to use the "purchase method" which he contends is inefficient and unworkable.

The compromise bill will not allow him even to experiment with his controversial "production payment" scheme. This plan will provide for direct subsidy payments to livestock, dairy and poultry farmers instead of market price propping.

Aides predicted Brannan would renew his fight next year for authority to use the "Brannan Plan."

Brannan's decisions could hardly be expected to make all producers and consumers happy. Since early in the war, farm law has dictated mandatory supports of 90 per cent of parity for eggs, hogs and chickens. Now Brannan will have to lower them or personally justify keeping them up. He is expected to lower eggs supports. Even some organized poultry groups say they are too high.

The compromise bill also would:

1. Keep present mandatory supports in force for corn, cotton, wheat, peanuts and potatoes. These crops last year returned farmers 23.5 per cent of cash income from marketings.

2. Provide permanent minimum supports for dairy farmers at levels only a little lower than present supports. Milk and dairy supports could actually be boosted. Dairy products last year returned farmers 14.5 per cent of their cash marketing receipts.

3. Boost supports for tobacco, rice and wool which last year brought farmers 4.2 per cent of their cash receipts from marketings.

The compromise bill strip mandatory supports from flaxseed, soybeans, sweet potatoes, turkeys, dry field peas and dry edible beans. But it will permit supports for these commodities.

FIRST GRADER BREAKS ARM HERE LAST WEEK

James Leon Wells, first grade student at Cross Plains school, is recovering nicely after sustaining a broken arm in a playground accident here recently. He sustained a compound fracture but will be able to resume classes immediately after Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Scott of Abilene will spend Christmas here with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Scott and children and Miss Shirley Falkner were Fort Worth and Dallas visitors Sunday.

Captain and Mrs. Donald M. Weaver and children, of Selma, Alabama; Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Neel and baby, of De Leon, and Mr. and Mrs. Harlie B. Neel, of Fort Worth, will visit in the home of George R. Neel here during Christmas.

LOCAL YOUTH NOW ON OKINAWA IS PROMOTED

Word has been received from the Ryukus Islands that Hulan P. Adams, Cross Plains high school graduate and former local football star, has been promoted to private first class for proficiency in his duties as clerk in headquarters of the 65th anti-aircraft gun battalion.

Hulan enlisted for a three year term and was stationed at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas, before going to Okinawa.

Try Review Want Ads

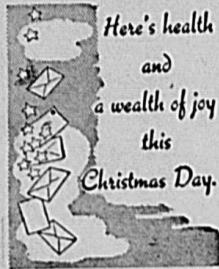
"TOP OF THE MORNING" AT PLAINS THEATRE ON CHRISTMAS AND MONDAY

"Top of the Morning, co-starring Bing Crosby and Ann Blythe, will show at the Plains theatre here Christmas day, Sunday and Monday.

"Top of the Morning" has a setting as Irish as its name and tells the story of the theft of the famed Blarney stone from its niche in the town of Cork. It boasts a musical score of eight new songs.

Mrs. Paul B. Conn visited Houston last week.

FOR SALE
STOCKER COW
SEE
Charley Nichols
One Mile Southwest Of



The Specialty Shop

Cross Plains, Texas



May all the wonderful things that go with Christmas be yours in the fullest abundance this year.



From all of us here to all of you—a most happy holiday.

The Cromer Hotel

Mrs. Inez Stubblefield

Greetings 1949



OUR SINCEREST WISHES FOR A BRIGHT AND MERRY CHRISTMAS GO OUT TO ALL OF YOU.

CITY DRUG STORE

YORK

Pecan Shellers

Make Appreciated Christmas Gifts

Get One For \$3.95

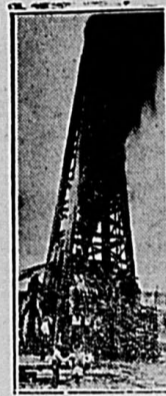
From Melvin Crabb



May the year be good to you.

Cox's Laundry

Cross Plains, Texas



May All Your Christmas Wishes Be Fulfilled And 1950 Bring Better Wells and Greater Prosperity To All.

Campbell's Oil Field Supply Store

Your Kem-I-Kal Dealer
CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

Christmas

Has a Meaning of Its Own

Every holiday occasion has its significance but none can compare with the Christmas Season. It is the one time of the year when all are united in one common attitude of good will toward fellowmen.

Christmas is always a welcome event with us. The reasons are twofold, first, because we enjoy the spirit of friendliness that predominates everywhere, second, because it affords us an appropriate opportunity of expressing our sincere thanks to those whom we serve, for their cooperation in the past. It is also fitting that we, at the same time, invite your continued patronage, as well as the consideration of those whom it has not been our pleasure to serve.

We hope this will be a Merry Christmas for you, one and all. We also wish you all the joys of a happy, successful New Year, one in which you will see the fulfillment of your every ambition. Best wishes to everyone!



Eastland-Callahan Abstract Co.

EASTLAND

RAYMOND YOUNG, OWNER



It's an ideal time to wish for you all the good things in life.

We're delighted to extend this holiday greeting to all our friends and customers.

Park Side Cafe

A GOOD PLACE TO EAT
Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Bertrand



HAPPY NEW YEAR 1950

Here's a sincere hope that this will be the best year of your life.

aton Variety Store

Joyful Yuletide

On Christmas, 1949, we re-live the joy that comes to us across the centuries. May this season bring you nothing but happiness.

Respass & Strahan

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

For 1949
Much Joy



Moore's Grill

50 Guests Present Sunday As Golden Wedding Observed

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Williams, who live between Cross Plains and Baird, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Sunday. More than 50 guests called during the afternoon to extend congratulations and wish the popular couple many more years of marital happiness.

A beautiful arrangement of white and gold chrysanthemums accentuated the theme throughout the house, and in the dining room a table was laid with white linen, the center of which was a beautiful wedding cake. Among the guests served slices of the cake, and coffee were Mrs. J. A. Heysler, long time neighbor of the couple, and Mrs. J. A. Jackson, of Baird.

A brief talk was made the couple and their guests by Rev. J. L. Carter, of Baird, who explained the joy of growing old.

Guests were registered by Miss Bess Johnson in a book which the couple will treasure as a memento of one of the happiest days of their married life.

Local Man's Sister Laid To Rest Here Tuesday Afternoon

Services were held here Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock from the Higginbotham funeral chapel with Rev. Arthur C. Evans, Presbyterian pastor, officiating, for Miss Raymond Huckaby, 54, who died in a Wichita Falls hospital Sunday. She was a sister of W. A. Huckaby, long time Cross Plains resident.

Burial was made in the family plot of the local cemetery, beside the grave of the deceased's mother who expired several years ago.

Miss Huckaby made her home in Cross Plains with her mother, living in the northeast part of town for a number of years. She had been a hospital patient for some time before her death.

The deceased was born September 5, 1895, and was at the time of her passing 54 years, three months and 13 days of age.

LOCAL MERCHANT'S DAD CUTS 2 JAW TEETH AT THE AGE OF 75 YEARS

Rev. H. B. Holdridge, of De Leon, father of C. C. Holdridge, Cross Plains merchant, experienced some pain in his mouth recently, which he believed caused by dentures he had been wearing 10 years. He visited a Santa Anna dentist seeking relief.

The dentist removed the plates and found nothing wrong. An examination of the veteran minister's mouth was made and it was discovered that he was cutting two wisdom teeth, despite the fact that he was 75 years of age at the time. The Rev. Mr. Holdridge had all of his teeth extracted about 10 years ago.

MRS. LONGBOTHAM MOVES BACK HERE LAST WEEK

Mrs. Maudie Longbotham returned to her home here on East 8th Street last week after living in Roscoe for the past two years. Her father returned with her to make his home here.

MANY NEW HOMES MAY GO UP HERE IN 1950

Several local people are reported planning new homes during 1950 and as a result of long term financing which has recently been approved for Cross Plains a number of others may build during the coming year. At least this is the opinion of C. R. Cook, who has arranged to handle home loan notes, advancing up to 90 per cent and allowing 10 to 25 years for repayment.

"We have had a large number of people express interest in the plan of financing and if only a fraction of them take advantage of it, Cross Plains should see much building during the coming year", Cook declares.

BOB SMITHS BUY FARM SIX MILES WEST BROWNWOOD

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith have bought a 150 acre farm, six miles west of Brownwood. They moved last week and now get their mail on route two out of Brownwood.

Miss Juanita Sheppard of Abilene will spend the holidays here in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sheppard.

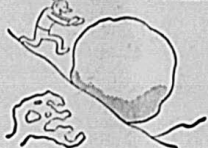
Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Mayes, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Edmondson and Mr. and Mrs. Fonia Worthy attended the annual Christmas party for West Texas Utilities employees and their guests at the country club in Cisco Monday night.

J. B. Yeager, of Putnam, was a business visitor here Monday.



Ninety-four-nine

TO YOU AND YOUR WHOLE FAMILY... OUR BEST WISHES.



PEEVY'S Texaco Station

Highway 36
Cross Plains, Texas



A happy holiday to all.

Clifton's Produce



And the best of the New Year is happiness for all of you

Watson's Studio

Cross Cut

By Peggy Rhymes

Merry Christmas to all! The postman is loaded down with Christmas greetings. Everyone is rushing about doing their last minute Christmas shopping. Lights, Christmas trees and decorations are everywhere indicating that Cross Cut is in full swing with the Christmas spirit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Byrd and Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Byrd and family spent the first of last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Byrd.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Weiss had as their guest Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Roy Andrews and family.

Miss Willie Jones, who has recently been employed at Coleman, has returned to her home in Cross Cut.

We are glad to report that even though Mr. Pete Moore has had an attack of double pneumonia, he is improving very well now. His daughter, Mrs. W. W. Armstrong, and her husband were here with him during his illness. They returned to their home in San Angelo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferrel Newton and daughter visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Newton, Friday.

Most Everyone Still Thrills At Feel Of 'Wagon Wheel' Coin

DENVER.—The average purse-hugger wouldn't know it, but there still is a demand for the old-fashioned silver dollar.

In this day of folding money, folks still are asking for the favorite mazuma of the Colorado mining barons.

The big cartwheel, which once could buy more than a stack of the present day green stuff, seldom is seen now in ordinary day-to-day exchange.

Bankers believe the biggest group of present day silver dollar users are people who frequent gambling places and slot machine players. The heavy dollar is too bulky now to serve the financial needs of the housewife or average consumer, especially with the drastic cheapening of money during the past decade.

Not Grocery Money Even in western states like Colorado, where 15 years ago cashiers always returned silver dollars in change for folding money unless specifically requested not to, the silver dollar is dropping out of the money picture as far as the grocery buyer is concerned.

They still are not as rare in the west, however, as in the east, where a silver dollar seldom is seen outside a bank vault.

Despite the silver dollar's disappearance from the bulk of trade, it still is popular with some people. Moses Smith, director of the U. S. mint in Denver, said the hard dollars are being distributed to federal reserve banks at a rate of about 4,000,000 a year.

The treasury has a stockpile in its mints of something like \$13,000,000,000 in silver dollars, despite the fact that minting of that coin was stopped in 1935. The last big batch was turned out in 1921.

Mining Kings Liked Them The silver dollar reached the height of its popularity as a medium of exchange in the 1880's and '90's during the heyday of such fabulous mining kings as Colorado's "Haw" Tabor and Meyer Guggenheim.

Tabor always carried a pocketful of the big clanking coins which he liked to throw onto the stage of the Leadville opera house when a trim figure drew his admiration. Some of the silver barons used the dollars for flooring as an obvious motif.

A part of the present demand for silver dollars, the Denver mint believes, may be attributed to the growing demand for coin in this country.

U. S. mints in the past decade have produced 50 per cent of all the coinage turned out in the United States in the past 150 years.

Until dollar parking meters and peanut machines come along, however, gambling probably will provide the chief demand for the old-fashioned cartwheel.

Joe Pierce and F. E. Mitchell, of Baird, were business visitors here Monday.

Cross Plains, Texas
December 19, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:
I'm a little girl five years old. I've been a good little girl so I wish you would please bring me a big doll and anything else you have.

Love,
Judy Kay Cavanaugh

Charles Mack Holdridge, who is attending school in Stephenville, will spend the holidays here with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Penn and daughter, of Colorado City, will spend Christmas here with Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Howell.



Greetings of the SEASON

May the stars in the heavens shine as never before on your Christmas happiness this year.

Thompson's Gro. & Sta.

On Highway 36 - Cross Plains, Texas



The very fact that Christmas is with us again ought to bring joy enough, but we want to gild the lily by wishing everyone a wonderful holiday.

Claude's Furniture Store



The warmth of spirit that accompanies every Christmas season is with us again in 1949. Our wish is that you can participate to the fullest in a universal MERRY CHRISTMAS

COPELAND'S GARAGE

South Main Street - Cross Plains, Texas

Mrs. Bailey Wilson was a visitor in Abilene Tuesday. C. H. Dawson was a business visitor in Dallas last week.

Burkett News

By Mrs. T. C. Strickland



Thanks for your patronage in the year just past, and be assured that we are eager to serve you in the future.

For now, we wish you all the joy of Christmas, and health, wealth and happiness for the coming year.

Smith's Drug Store

Farmers & Ranchers:

If you are paying more than 4% interest on your land indebtedness, we invite you to let us refinance it, and save you money, at the same time making your payments much easier to meet.

If you desire to purchase a farm or ranch we can finance a portion of the purchase price with long term 4% money.

If your place is in need of improvements or repair we can furnish the money for same with 4% money and easy payments.

If you need to purchase livestock or need money for any general agricultural purposes it can be obtained on all land over and above your homestead through our Association.

Obtaining any of the above mentioned loans qualifies you as a Stockholder in our Association, which has been paying 10% dividends the past several years. We are strictly a stockholder owned institution.

Federal Land Bank Loans, serviced through your

Citizens National Farm Loan Association

Box 1175 Baird, Texas Phone 44
Leslie Bryant, Secretary-Treasurer

W. H. VARNER

Cross Plains Phone 76 Abilene Phone 8643

CABLE TOOL WORK OF ALL TYPES

3 Bucyrus Erie Spuders & 3 Ft. Worth Spuders of various sizes, will sell any one of them, with or without motors, tools and light plants. Some extra drilling tools for sale.

FERGUSON TRACTORS

See The New Ferguson Tractor With The Red Seal Continental Valve-In-Head Motor And Get A Demonstration.

Most Economical Tractor On The Market.

We Have Several Bargains In Good Used Tractors.

See Edd Morgan

Abilene Implement Co.

J. E. Burkett. A short business session was held. Minutes were read by the secretary. A report of the children's Christmas party was given and it was reported that all enjoyed a nice time.

Sew And So Club Meets On Thursday

Mrs. A. D. Petty was hostess when she complimented members of the Sew and So Club with a Christmas party at her home on Thursday afternoon of last week.

Mrs. J. C. McDermott was guest of honor for the afternoon. A shoulder corsage was presented to her. The occasion being her 89th birthday.

A refreshment plate of Christmas pudding, topped with whipped cream, toasted pecans, mints, cookies, and coffee was passed to the following guests: Mrs. J. C. McDermott, Mrs. Howard Coburn, Mrs. Lucy Dibrell of Coleman, Mrs. H. A. Young, Mrs. Joe Weller, Mrs. V. C. Walker, Mrs. E. C. Neeb, Mrs. A. F. Harris, Mrs. George B. Scott, Mrs. J. W. Dunlap, Mrs. W. H. Coppinger, Mrs. A. Painter, Mrs. Norma Saunders, Mrs. L. W. Westerman, Mrs. A. Burcher, Mrs. L. W. Placke, Mrs. Mack Campbell, Mrs. W. J. Carpenter, Mrs. Z. W. McClellan, and Mrs. Craig McNeil.

Next meeting of the club will be held on January 11 at the home of Mrs. C. R. Cook.

Rowden News

By Patsy Crow

Denton girls A team and Denton boys B team entered the Eula tournament this past week end. Denton girls won first place while the boys lost out in consolation finals. Those receiving individual awards were Dotty Swafford and Robert Armor.

Gerald Stephens, who has been living in California for quite some time, returned to his home here Tuesday. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Stephens.

Donnie Ray English and Donnie Mauldin spent Sunday with Mike Odom.

Carl Mauldin and Cecil Jones, students at Howard Payne College, are home for the Christmas holidays. They are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Mauldin and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jones.

Mrs. Lillie Swafford spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Gene Mauldin and family.

R. J. Edwards has been critically ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Earl Pyle, four miles south of Cross Plains, the past several days.

ON THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING DATE



Pictured above are Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Pierce, of Cisco, former Cross Plains residents, who recently celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

Sabanno

By Mrs. Edwin Erwin

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. King and Mrs. Lorrain Barron visited Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Shultz and Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Walker (sister of Mr. King and Mrs. Barron) of Snyder and Brownfield, over the week. They also stopped in Abilene and visited with Rev. and Mrs. S. P. Collins.

Don't forget the Christmas tree and program at the Baptist church Friday night.

Mrs. Requa is still not feeling so well. Those visiting her last week were Mrs. John Price, Mrs. Barron, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lusk, Mrs. Pearl Hock and Mrs. Edwin Erwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Truett Dawkins made a business trip to Lubbock and Big Spring last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. McCann and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Goleanor were visitors in the Ecll Mayes home Sunday.

These are the ones who attended the Home Demonstration Club party in Eastland last Wednesday: Mrs. Ralph Larrey, Mrs. Gladys Paulk, Mrs. W. E. Lusk, Mrs. A. H. Gage, Mrs. Truett Dawkins, Mrs. Edwin Erwin, Mrs. W. S. McCann, Mrs. Charlie Goleanor, Mrs. J. L. King and Mrs. Leon Thate. All reported a wonderful time and a bountiful feast at the noon hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Slaughter of Cisco visited the Edwin Erwins Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. A. H. Gage and children and Mrs. Gladys Paulk and girls visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Wiley Sunday afternoon.

Sandra Lusk spent the week end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lusk.

Mr. and Mrs. Mac McCluskey and children of Eastland visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Gage, Sunday.

Billy and Ava Nell Webb of Grand Prairie are visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. King.

"Pa" McCann has been on the sick list this week.

George Hicks is having his daughter, Thelma and husband of Galveston, visiting with him until after the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cox and daughter, Carol Jean, will spend Christmas day in the home of her parents in Zephyr.

Classified Ads 30¢ Per Week

Nutshell Advertising

FOR SALE: 1935 model Plymouth sedan, on good rubber; a bargain at \$120.00, see us at once. Motor Department, Higginbotham's, Cross Plains. (1tc)

FOR SALE: Extra good 10 weeks old shoats. Jess Sparks, Cottonwood. (1tp)

FOR RENT: Johnson's electric floor polisher. W. D. Smith. (2tc39)

FOR SERVICE: Registered Guernsey bull. His grand dam holding butter fat record for Oklahoma. His herd taking 3 firsts, 4 seconds at Dallas fair in 1949. Fee \$5.00 cash when served. Repeat if necessary. At Mrs. C. B. Freeman place, 3 1/2 miles east on highway 36. (1p)

LOST: A ladies broach made of petrified wood, valued as heirloom. Finder please return and receive reward. Pro Purvis Station. (1tp)

FOUND: A child's shoe and cap near Howard Gary's house. Owner may call at Review office for them. I. T. Johnson. (1tp)

FOR SALE: Brand new 1949 model International mechanical refrigerator, 8 cubic foot size, regular \$224.75 seller. We have only this one left and will close out at \$199.50. Guaranteed in every way. Terms, if desired, Motor Department, Higginbotham's, Cross Plains. (1tc)

FOR SALE: Almost new GE washing machine with discharge pump. Priced for quick sale. See Russell at Calhoun Motor Company. (2tc39)

FOR SALE: House and furniture in Baird. 4 room, modern, garage and wash house combined. All going for \$4,850. J. E. Buford, 505 West 2nd St., Baird, Texas. (2tp39)

FOR SALE: Late model motor scooter. Good shape and ready to go; priced reasonably. J. M. Greenwood, south of town. (2tc39)

FOR SALE: 1939 4 door Chevrolet. New rubber, recent overhaul, radio and heater; looks good, runs good. Inquire at the Review. (1tp)

WILL HAVE empty truck going to South Texas any time in the next few weeks. Would like part or full load of any kind. Dan Johnston. (3tc38)

FOR RENT: Westinghouse tank model vacuum cleaner. Charges reasonable. Do your work the easy way. W. D. Smith. (2tc39)

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FOR SALE: My home on South Ave. C. Four rooms and bath. Lot 75x150. Bargain price. See Rev. D. Van Pell. (2tp38)

BARGAIN PRICES on tractor tires of these sizes: 12-36 6 ply, 10-38 4 ply, 10-36 4 ply, 10-28 4 ply. Prices slashed for quick selling. See W. J. or Sam Sipes. (1tc37)

FOR SALE: Good dry wood, cut in 18 and 24 inch lengths; delivered or at my place east of town. Dale Gary. (2tc38)

FOR SALE: My home in south part of town: 5 rooms and bath, natural stone construction on 2 lots. See Bob Jones, Cross Plains. (2tp38)

FOR SALE: Good Used Tractors and Equipment, a bargain in one VAC Case and one Ford. Delma Johnson, John Deere Dealer, Coleman, Texas. (4tc36)

STILL SELLING Georgia granite and marble monuments. Let me figure with you. Your business appreciated. Rev. C. R. Myrick, 313 Fifth Avenue, Coleman, Texas. (10tp81)

FOR SALE: 225 bales bright peanut hay. See W. R. Thompson. (1tc)

FOR RENT: Bedroom, private entrance and conveniently located. Mrs. Della McAllister. (2tp38)

WILL PAY market price for yellow ear corn. Cross Plains Feed Mill. (4tp36)

FREE! If Excess acid causes you pains of Stomach Ulcers, Indigestion, Heartburn, Belching, Bloating, Nausea, Gas Pains, get free sample, Udga, at Smith's Drug Store. (tp59)

For Sale

13 acres, 4 room house located near Cross Plains on good highway.

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CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

Local Soldier Is Valedictorian At Military School

Master Sergeant Merle F. Wolf, a former Cross Plains resident has been named the honor graduate of his class in the Department of Photography Training, it was announced recently by Brigadier General Warren R. Carter, Commanding General of Lowry Air Force Base. Sergeant Wolf achieved an average of 4.3 out of a possible 5.0 to attain this honor position. This 28 year old airman entered military service in November 1939 and served in the Pacific Campaign during the war years. He is entitled to wear the Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Southwest Pacific Area Ribbon with two battle stars. Sergeant Wolf is the son of Mrs. S. C. Teague of Cross Plains.

Free Matinee For Local Children To Be Held Saturday

Cross Plains merchants will treat local children to a theatre party here Saturday morning, beginning at 10 o'clock. No ticket is needed, the exhibition being free to all.

Picture to be shown is Walt Disney's famous "Dumbo" an animated cartoon and musical. In addition, two appropriate short subjects are scheduled.

Santa Claus will be present at the theatre here and distribute confections to the kiddos, a further treat by home town business concerns.

Faulty Pipe Ends Production Try In Rowden Deep Test

Finish was written last week to an oil test that has attracted a great deal of interest during the past year.

The E. P. Griffin & T. A. Kirk No. 1 McClain, Callahan County project two miles north of Rowden has been abandoned after a little over a year.

The well was taken over recently by Jack H. Martin, et al, and a completion try was unsuccessful because of faulty pipe in the hole, according to reports.

Electric log of the project is reported to have shown a large possible pay section from a limestone formation. Location is 660 feet from the north and east lines of Lot 21, Victoria County School Lands Survey.

Correction Made About Huge Eggs

In last week's issue of the Review there appeared a story given the paper by J. W. Cox in which it was stated that five giant sized eggs were laid by a hen, owned by R. T. Reid here, in a single day.

The statement was erroneous in that the eggs were not laid by the hen, but extracted.

Mr. Reid killed the chicken for baking and while dressing the fowl the large eggs were found. They were all of about the same size, measuring seven inches around the small way and nine inches in circumference lengthwise.

The item was correct in its entirety except that instead of the eggs being laid they were extracted.

FIRST KILLING FROST RECEIVED DECEMBER 15

First killing frost of the season was received in the Cross Plains area Thursday morning of last week, December 15, approximately one month later than normally.

MARY BETH TUNNELL UNDERGOES SURGERY

Miss Mary Beth Tunnell, high school junior and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Tunnell, underwent appendectomy at the Rising Star hospital Friday. Friends will be delighted to learn that she is convalescing normally.

Merlin Hutchins, who is stationed in Paris Island, South Carolina, arrived here this week to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. H. A. Young has returned to her home here from South Texas, where she visited in the home of her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Hickman.

Cross Plains, Texas
December 16, 1949

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy five years old. I have tried to be a good little boy. I hope you think so. All I want for Christmas is a train and tri-cycle. Be sure and bring the other little boys and girls some toys and candy.

Your friend always,
Tommy Lewis Freeman



At a time when conviviality reigns among all men, we join in the annual mood to proffer to all the people of our town a wish for a mighty Happy New Year

May you prosper according to your desires in 1950.



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Yuletide Greetings 1949



Simple, unadorned thoughts are best at Christmas. So we would only wish you a joyful and happy holiday season, when every step you take increases your desire to be a friend to man. And a Merry Christmas to you

MERRY CHRISTMAS



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BAIRD, TEXAS

3,307 BALES COTTON GINNED IN CALLAHAN PRIOR TO DECEMBER 1

Census reports show that 3,307 bales of cotton were ginned in Callahan county from the crop of 1949 prior to December first, as compared with 479 bales to the same period last year.

18 YEAR OLDS MUST REGISTER WITHIN 5 DAYS AFTER BIRTHDAY

Thirty youths, who recently became 18, were registered for military service during November by the Taylor-Callahan county draft board. Of the group, only two were from Callahan county. They were: Charles Kunkel, of Cross Plains, and Darrell Lynn Young, of Baird.

Georgia Singleton, clerk for the draft board, reminds that boys are required by law to register within five days after they become 18. The local board office is located in room 301 of the Abilene post office building.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 26 TO BE HOLIDAY HERE

Reminder is given that most Cross Plains stores will be closed next Monday, the day following Christmas, to permit clerks to enjoy their fourth holiday of the year.

Householders are urged to keep the closing in mind, in order that no one will be inconvenienced by the action.

THURSDAY IS SHORTEST DAY DURING THE YEAR

Ol' man Winter officially arrives in Cross Plains Thursday, December 22, shortest day of the year. Beginning Friday the hours of sunshine will continue to lengthen until next June 21.

FREEZING CHRISTMAS PREDICTED BY BOND

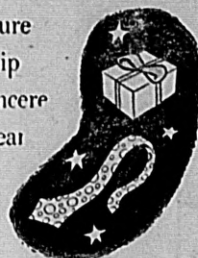
"Look for a raw, cold spell during Christmas this year", says S. F. Bond, Cross Plains' unofficial weather forecaster.

"I look for plenty of ice and possibly some snow and sleet", he says.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Mickel will spend Christmas in Clarksville.



As a partial measure of our friendship we express the sincere hope that this year holds for you a perfect Christmas.



May it be touched with the same kind of serenity that accompanies a Christmas Eve snowfall.

Jim Settle Dry Cleaning

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A Treasured Custom of Long Standing

It's been our happy privilege for a long, long time, to send our Christmas greetings each year to those of you whom we have had the pleasure of serving. We look forward each year to this occasion, principally because we learned long ago the value of loyal friendships. Each Year we strive to add more friends to our



list. If we have not had an opportunity to serve you in past, we invite your consideration. We will do our best to please.

And to those of you whom we have been associated for many years, here's our usual, yet genuine, "Merry Christmas".

FROM THE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS & EMPLOYEES OF

The Citizens State Bank



COACH VISITS SISTER HERE FRIDAY
Russell, backfield of Southern Methodist University in Dallas, visited in the home of his sister, Mrs. J. B. Harris of Rising Star was a visitor here Friday.

Mrs. Sam Plowman was a visitor in Abilene Friday.
Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Webb and son of East Texas visited here and at Burkett during the holidays.
Mr. and Mrs. Bevo Webb of San Antonio will spend the Christmas holidays here and at Burkett in the home of his parents.

Yesteryear In The Old Home Town ..

Items of interest taken from the files of the Review of 29, 20 and 10 years ago.

29 YEARS AGO December 17, 1920

Archie Baum, of Lawton, son of R. D. Baum, dry goodsman for the Merchantile Co., is visiting his father.

Perry Gilbert of the Bayou, west of town, was here on Monday. He was accompanied by C. B. and Clarence McGee and others.

Bill Wagner, tool dresser for an

oil company at Sipe Springs, came in on Tuesday for Christmas with his folks.

The Greenlee, T. J. Harris, two miles northeast of town, under-reaming below 3,000 feet. Mr. Greenlee has erected three 250 barrel storage tanks to care for the expected production when the vestal sand is encountered. This is a favorable location for bigger production than was found in the Vestal well.

Lee Pierce, of San Antonio, came in on Saturday to spend Christmas

with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Pierce of Deer Plains, and his sisters, brothers and friends. Lee has a good position with a tire company with whom he has been connected for years.

Jim Bachas and Miss Edna Pierce of Nimrod were married at the home of the bride on Sunday, December 12. They are now making their home in Cross Plains. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vestine Pierce of Nimrod. The groom has been a resident of the Nimrod country for a number of years, but of late months has been an electrician for the Cross Plains Light Company. We join their many friends in wishing them well.

20 YEARS AGO December 20, 1929

Mrs. J. C. Huntington was operated on for appendicitis at the Cross Plains sanitarium last Monday. She is reported to be recovering very nicely. A young son of Mr. and Mrs. Huntington now has pneumonia.

Wade McDaniel of Spur arrived in Cross Plains Saturday for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Holden entertained with a pre-Christmas bridge dinner at their home on Thursday night.

Red and green blended in a harmonious color scheme at the prettily appointed turkey dinner which was served on individual bridge tables. A Santa Claus was placed in the center of each table. Place cards also carried out the colors.

Covers were laid for the following 36 guests: Messers and Mmes. Fred Cutbirth, Russell McGowen, Frank Green, Ben Garner, George Wilson, Waldo Wilburn, Bill Lowe, Frank King, Dee Anderson, Ross Newton, Marion Harvey, H. A. Dubey, Nat Williams, Renerick Clark, Mrs. Jack Noel, Mrs. Aubra Dodson, Messers Hazelle Dorr, Mary Massa, Messrs. E. D. Priest, Paul Harrell and Taylor Bond.

B. F. Russell and county attorney L. B. Lewis have dissolved their partnership in the practice of civil law at Baird and Mr. Russell has formed a partnership with judge B. L. Russell and the style of the firm is Russell and Russell.

The most severe norther of the season, blowing with almost cyclonic velocity, struck this section Tuesday evening.

10 YEARS AGO December 22, 1939

Dear Ol' Santa:
I know you have received an abundance of Christmas mail and I really hate to burden you with more, but there are a number of our good friends in and around Cross Plains whom we are especially anxious for you to remember this Yuletide, so to lighten the task of selecting their gifts we offer the following suggestions.

To begin with there are Claude Mayes and Hub Freeman. Santa, they each want a doll, beautiful dolls. If you have any influence with Dan Cupid, Santa, he knows exactly the type each prefers.

Our good friend "Honest Ed" Neeb would like a new bunch of tricks to play on his old pals Foster Bond, Cleve Callaway, Joe Weller, and Craig McNeel. Any good story on the New Deal would be appreciated for Honest Ed's friends seem to like this type best.

For Bobbie Westerman we suggest a bulldog with a leash and tied on the other end of the leash we feel sure that a May high school agriculture teacher would not be objectionable. If you still have more for a pretty girl Bobbie would like a pair of boots to fit her own little feet.

And Santa, while we're remembering the girls, we must insist that Clara Nell McDermott get a set of golf clubs. She is so insistent that your failure to bring them, will certainly cause unhappiness. If you have room as you come through Big Spring stop at the newest grocery store there and pick up the strapping former Baird boy for a caddy.

Oh yes, we would certainly have you remember Rosa Van Lane. She's been rather non-committal regarding her Christmas wishes, but possibly a little toy caterpillar tractor, or miniature bridge building set would suffice.

Then there's Clyde Sims, C of C prexy, who'd like some choice pamphlets on how to make Cross Plains the garden spot of Texas, and a few helpers to do the job.

Edwin Baum and "Doc" McGowen want nothing at all this Christmas. Their cups are already running over. But Santa, save back some sweet toys for them next year.

For Dale McCook and the high school band, bring a domesticated buffalo to lead their parades. If you have a bison gentle enough, the band would really be colorful led by Johnne Frances Baldwin and followed a few spaces by little Mary Dale McCook astride the

buffalo. Wouldn't that be a circus reader of this column we send touch? So to you Santa, and every sincerest good wishes for the Yuletide.



May the tidings of great joy be yours in full this Christmas

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May the laughter of friends . . . the companionship of family . . . the sentiment and charm of the Holiday Season make your Christmas happy and gay.

We, your friends and neighbors, at your service company will be working day and night keeping the lights gaily gleaming to make your Christmas bright.

West Texas Utilities Company



Mr. and Mrs. Garland Williams and children of Fort Stockton and Mrs. Jack Miller of San Antonio will spend Christmas here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Foster.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Edmondson and son, Eddy Don, will leave Saturday morning for Palestine where they will visit with his parents during the holidays.

Bob Outbirth has returned to his home here after an extended visit in Corpus Christi.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Shield and children will spend the holidays with their parents in Abilene.

Mrs. C. T. Childs and Mrs. Nora Crow of Baird were visitors here one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Young were visitors in Baird Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Beulah Lucas and Mrs. H. A. Young were Brownwood visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Reiger of Houston spent the week end here in the home of Mrs. Jeff Clark.

Burkett And Cross Plains Break Even In 2 Cage Games

Cross Plains and Burkett basketball teams divided a twin cage engagement here Friday night.

Coach Hubert Kelley's girls upset the Burkett lassies 23 to 17, but the Cross Plains boys lost to the Burkett lads 27 to 40.

High scorers for the local girls were June Atwood and Ellowayne Byrd. Harold Strahan was high scorer for the boys.

Although defeated the Cross Plains boys staged a brilliant second half. Trailing six to 25 at halftime, the local athletes staged a brilliant scoring exhibition to make the final tally 27 to 40. James Barr, heretofore substitute forward, turned in a brilliant performance and helped to spark the second half drive.

Lon Howser Building Beautiful New Home On East 8th Street

One of the nicer, new homes to be constructed here in recent years is now being built on East 8th Street by L. L. Howser. The dwelling is the second built there by Howser.

The house will comprise five rooms, and be modern in every way. Only the best of materials are being utilized and construction is of a sturdy, durable nature.

Turkey Creek Club Holds Christmas Party Last Week

The Christmas party was held in the home of Mrs. John Coats last week. Next meeting of the club will be at the home of Mrs. Cecil Goble January fourth. It will be an all day meeting and a covered dish lunch will be served at the noon hour. A cordial invitation is extended to anyone who would like to come.

Gifts were exchanged at the Christmas party and refreshments served to the following: Mrs. A. B. McLeod, Mrs. Ronald Dunn, Mrs. R. L. Murphy, Mrs. Frank Brown, Mrs. Cecil Goble, Mrs. Charley Graham, Mrs. Bob Harris, Mrs. A. A. Holly, Mrs. W. A. Burton, Mrs. John Coats, Butch Harris and Percilla Graham.

Personals

Dr. Ben H. Bradley, of Rising Star, was a visitor in Cross Plains Friday afternoon.

Herrell and Hubert Kelley will spend Christmas at Beattie in Comanche county.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Petty will leave the latter part of the week to spend Christmas in the home of his brother in Nolan county.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fort and sons of Big Spring will spend Christmas holidays here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Young.

Miss Paula Jean Harrell of Lubbock arrived here this week to spend the holidays with her uncle, Paul V. Harrell.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McQuin and children will leave Thursday afternoon for Winters where they will visit in the home of her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Foster and family of Slaton and Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Foster and family of Clovis, New Mexico spent the holidays here in the home of their mother.



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"Look! why don't we just say..."

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
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Gay spirits are more commonplace during the Yule season than at any other time of the year. We hope you're fitting in.



May you prosper in the wealth with which Christmas abounds...

Peace, love of life, kindness and the brotherhood of all people.



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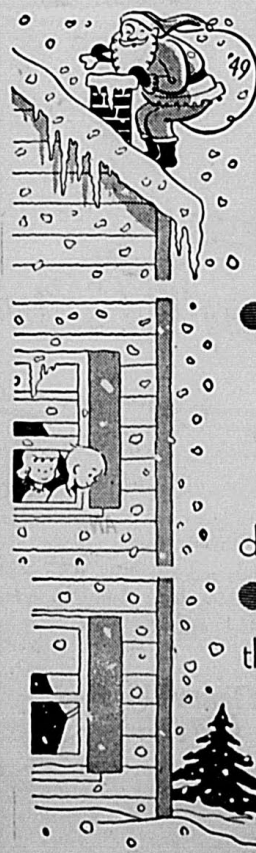
The Yule is a season for songs and rejoicing. Our earnest hope is that all you friendly people may share in this spirit to the utmost.

And for what it's worth, we offer our heartiest wishes for a very Merry Christmas



From Your Local Operators And All The Folks At

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Yuletide Greetings

● Naturally, there is a Santa Claus---just as naturally as there are children. No one even doubts that any more.

● Just give way to the spirit of the season and your share of joy will come.

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Lloyd Bryan's Station

Clements of El Paso was here this week.
Mrs. J. F. Miller and Huffman visited here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peyton Tuesday night and Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Cook attended a Shrine party at Abilene Tuesday night.
Garland Smith of Dallas will spend the holidays here with his father and sister, W. D. and Lyla Smith.

Jack Stout May Be Rural Mail Carrier Out Of May Office

Jack Stout, Cross Plains high school principal, has been notified by the Civil Service Commission that he is number one on an eligibility list of three for a rural mail carrier's position out of the May post office.

As yet official confirmation of his appointment has not been received, and the Review has not learned whether or not Stout will accept the appointment when it arrives.

People from Cross Plains attending the Baptist Workers Conference at Eula last week included: Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Chapman, Earl Pyle, Mrs. A. J. Mathis, Mrs. Mamie Swafford, Mrs. C. H. Dawson, Mrs. Earl Smith, Mrs. Eta Booth, Miss Gussie Jones, Milt Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Cavin Freeman, and J. B. Bishop.

Cottonwood

By Hazel L. Respass

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John T. Purvis December 12 at Hendrick Memorial Hospital, Abilene, a girl. She has been named Peggy Jo. Mother and baby are doing fine.

Mrs. E. E. Shelton visited in Borger recently with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Shelton.

Gaylan Coppinger has been on the sick list the past few days, but is recovering nicely.

There is some moving already started. Red Duncan has moved to the Foller place from Trent. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lawler to the J. B. Moore place and Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Shelton to Mrs. T. A. Coppinger's farm.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Whitehorn and Mr. R. C. Thompson visited in the Shelton home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Respass and Dixie Ann were dinner guests in the Respass home Sunday.

Mrs. O. B. Edmondson and son, Mrs. Edwin Baum, and Mrs. L. W. Westerman were Eastland visitors Tuesday.

The Methodist Corner

First Methodist Church
J. Bond Johnson, Pastor

This is a formal invitation for you, your family and guests to attend a birthday celebration Sunday morning at the Methodist Church honoring Jesus Christ.

The Christmas day Sunday school will begin at 10:15 a.m. with the formal Christmas worship service at 10:30. The time of services were planned with the purpose of allowing the entire family—even the cooks—to worship our Savior on the anniversary of His birth.

There will be no services at the evening hour on Sunday, and the mid-week service on December 28 will be dismissed.

See You In Church Christmas

If you missed the Christmas service presented by the children's division of the church school during the Methodist Sunday evening fellowship this past Sunday, you missed an exceptional program. Much praise is due Mrs. B. K. Eubank and her assistants for the presentation.

See You In Church Christmas

On behalf of the trustees, board of stewards and other officials of the First Methodist Church, I wish to take this opportunity of extending Christmas greetings at this Blessed Season.

I know that you are grateful to God for the wonderful blessings he has bestowed upon each of you during this past year, and I beg His continued blessings upon you during the year to come. A very merry CHRISTMAS and a happy, happy, new year to you and yours.

J. Bond Johnson
See You In Church Christmas

OLD and YOUNG alike...



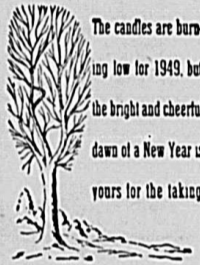
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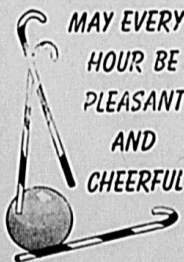
Merry Christmas

And Happy New Year To All Our Friends and Customers

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to all of you. May no cloud appear to disturb its serenity.

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CHRISTMAS CHEER



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God willing, there will be no pain of sadness to mar the tender happiness that Christmas ought to bring to all of you.

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A wealth of New Year cheer

May all the good things of 1950 be yours to enjoy



S. N. Foster & Son Grocery

Belle Plain Woman Is Buried Tuesday

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon for Sarah Susan Hornsby, 89, who died Monday in the Callahan County hospital at Balrd. Rev. J. C. Hancock, pastor of the Rowden Baptist Church, officiated. Burial was made in the Belle Plain cemetery.

A resident of this county since December 1889, Miss Hornsby had been ill for the past 10 months. She lived in the Belle Plain community with her brother, W. J.

Hornsby, since she came to Callahan County.

JAMES CAMPBELL HOME AND RECOVERING FROM ACCIDENTAL GUNSHOT

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Campbell and children returned to their home here this week from Centralia, Illinois. Mr. Campbell who was shot through the back in a hunting accident while in Illinois is recovering normally and hopes to be able to return to work in a week or so.

"Please say to my friends that I

really appreciated the many nice cards and letters during my stay in the hospital," Campbell said, "it's worth more than medicine to know that one's friends are interested."

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. McNeel will have as their guests during the holidays Mr. and Mrs. Fred Drake of Pensacola, Florida, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Soloman of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett McConathy of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Webb, Mrs. Belle McConathy, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Stewart, and R. F. McConathy, all of Brownwood.

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Merry Christmas

The divinity of the season is surpassed only in the joy it brings to the hearts of men. Merry Christmas.

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Cross Plains, Texas

Nation's Water Is Most Precious Of Natural Resources

The nation's most precious resource, water, is running short in many sections, a United Press survey has shown. In a few cases, such as at New York, the water shortage is a momentary matter, caused by a lack of rainfall.

But in vast areas of the mid-west, southwest and far west, agriculture and industry are beginning to feel the pinch on ground water shortages as moisture tables drop far beneath the surface. Geologists and other experts said the falling water table was a simple case of too much water being taken out of the ground, too fast for nature to replenish the subterranean lakes, rivers and rivulets that seep precious moisture through the rocks to fill wells and reservoirs.

Modern air conditioning systems, for example, depend on huge quantities of cold water, drawn from the earth to circulate through their mechanisms and provide the low temperature to chill air. In some localities, such as Illinois, distilleries and other industries use so many millions of gallons of water that they must sink wells hundreds of feet into the earth as the natural reservoirs drop deeper and deeper.

In the west vast irrigation projects are diverting water from its natural watersheds through canals and ditches for surface use to water plants in areas that are naturally arid.

Some pessimistic geologists warned that unless emergency measures were taken to halt the trend, big sections of the nation might become desert wastelands or dust bowls.

The situation in New York, although temporary, was serious and Stephen J. Carney commissioner of water supply, made radio appeal to the 8,000,000 residents to cut down consumption.

He said the situation was caused by an eight inch rainfall deficiency at a time when the city's reservoirs were 37 per cent below capacity.

Excessive pumping for irrigation and industrial use was blamed for critical water shortages in California's San Joaquin Valley and in the Los Angeles areas. Serious situations from the same causes were reported in the Santa Clara Valley, Salinas Valley, Antelope Valley and the Ventura-Oxnard areas.

In Texas residents of the plain around Amarillo reported their plight as desperate with the water supply dropping from month to month.

In Southern Arizona, experts reported, ground water is being taken from the earth for irrigation purposes three or four times faster than it is replenished. In Eastern Arkansas steps are being taken to correct water shortages caused by heavy pumping to flood the area's rice fields. Southern Louisiana has a similar problem.

BUSINESS CONDITIONS ARE FAVORABLE HERE AS 1949 NEARS CLOSE

Although Christmas buying is yet incomplete and inventories have not been taken, many local business concerns report 1949 will be one of the best years in history. Volume of business done here is not expected to greatly exceed 1948, and the margin of profit may be slightly less, but all firms report collections good and turn-overs excellent.

Probably not since 1919 have farmers enjoyed a better year than the one now closing, and their prosperity is reflected in local business conditions.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Miller were Abilene visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Upton of Trickam were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Claude Miller here Sunday.

Mrs. Hattie Gray had as her guests Sunday her daughter, Mrs. G. Q. Armstrong and daughter, of Mineral Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Caker and family of Pecos visited here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Foster over the week end.

Mrs. Earl Tompkins and daughter, Mary Beth, of Espolena, New Mexico visited here in the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Plowman, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Dennis and children, Glenda Lou and Donnie Wayne, of Jal, New Mexico, are here to spend Christmas in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Meador.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Moon here during Christmas will be his two sisters of Rio Hondo, their daughter, Miss Polly Moon, a technician in a Waco laboratory, and their son, Harold Moon, a student in Hardin-Simmons University.

Counterfeiters Are Reported Active In Southwestern Area

This is a lush season for counterfeiters. And storekeepers and shoppers should be on guard against holiday passers of bogus bills, according to Forrest V. Sorrels, area supervising agent for the U. S. Secret Service, Treasury Department.

"Wise persons will examine money carefully, especially \$10 and \$20 bills, since there are more counterfeits in circulation now than any time in the past 10 years," declared Sorrels.

Two very deceptive new counterfeit notes to look for are \$10 bills with green seal and numbers drawn on the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Minn., and Richmond, Va.

The agent said to look for the number 12, 1207 or 207 in tiny print in the lower right corner of the Minneapolis note's back. There is a definite break in the outer border line of the fake federal reserve seal at left of portrait and immediately below and between the second N and E of Minnesota.

Watch for the number 207 or 1207 in tiny print in the lower right corner of the back of the bogus Richmond note, Sorrels also warned. A small white spot appears in the background of the bill's Hamilton portrait, to your left opposite the mouth.

Another tip is to inspect the treasury seal and serial numbers which are printed in light, faded green on the two bills and which are very noticeable when compared with a genuine bill.

Sorrels said in most cases of bogus money, the defects appear in the portrait, especially around the eyes. In the genuine the eyes are clear and lifelike. In the counterfeit they are usually dull and blurred.

If you spot a bogus bill when it is handed to you, the Secret Service asks that you try to delay the customer while you call police. If the passer leaves before police arrive, write down his description and strive to obtain his car license number.

FIRST HALF OF SCHOOL YEAR IS NEARLY GONE

When Cross Plains students return to classes January second after Christmas recess, they will begin reviews for mid-term examinations to be held January 11 and 12. The second half of the current school year will get underway January 16.

Read The Classified Ads

Personals

We Graciously Thank You . . .

for your friendship and patronage and wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Big Reduction on girls bicycles and pedal cars
Many other bargains still left for suitable Christmas gifts.

WESTERN AUTO Associate Store
Home Owned and Operated by
V. L. HOBDY
807 Main St. Phone 34



GOOD CHEER, GOOD HEALTH and Prosperity to all!

We deem it an honor and a privilege to express again our heartiest Yuletide greetings.

May your every Christmas wish come true.

A. H. Nelson Gro.
North Main Street

ALL ABOARD



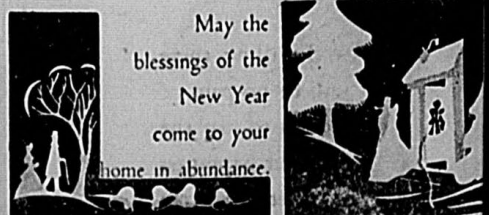
CITY UTILITIES



In the same cheery manner the words "Merry Christmas" come to you with our hope that all the season's happiness and joy be yours.

Fonia Worthy's Grocery & Station

On Highway 36 Cross Plains, Texas



Otis Purvis Station

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

NELSON SEEMS TO BE UNUSUAL GARDNER AS WELL AS MERCHANT

W. Nelson, local merchant, was in town one day last week the earliest tomato plants here in years. The plants, which were unseasonably warm, had come up volunteer in the summer's tomato garden. They were more than a foot tall. Another agricultural oddity was mentioned by H. P. Moon, who has been gathering fresh English

peas regularly until Thursday morning of last week when the plants were killed by the season's first frost.

BABY GIRL IS BORN TO MR. AND MRS. J. PURVIS

Mr. and Mrs. John Purvis, who live north of Cottonwood, are parents of a baby girl born recently in the Baird hospital. The child's name was not immediately learned by the Review.

All-Conference Grid Team Includes Two Cross Plains Boys

A talented set of backs who could make beautiful football music together and a line that would blend their efforts into a rhythmic gridiron melody forms the 1949 All-District 11-B team.

It wasn't an easy assignment to select this star-studded cast of pigskin performers. The 13 lads chosen by district coaches for their all-opponent team are all-around players who can handle both offensive and defensive chores. The final tabulations were compiled by O. B. Chambers, Early High superintendent.

Six schools are represented on the first team. Rising Star, by virtue of a tie for one backfield position with Bangs, dominated the first team crew with four men. Early placed three players on the team and Cross Plains two. Gorman gained one position and tied Santa Anna for another to complete the mythical picture.

From the moment the ballot counting started, there was never any doubt about two members of the all-star eleven. Halfback Buck Gibson of Rising Star, who was the only unanimous choice, and halfback Ben Doyle Sudderth of Early were the top ball carriers in the eyes of all who saw them play.

The other three backs—Robert Enloe of Gorman, Garner McClatchey of Bangs, and Don Criswell of Rising Star easily outdistanced other candidates. McClatchey and Criswell pulled the same number of votes while the other two players came up with substantial majorities.

The second deadlock in the balloting came at the end positions. Damon Miller of Early won honors at one wing, but Roy Rawls of Gorman and Billy Joe Scott of Santa Anna tied for the other flank position.

The tackle positions went to Ronald Hicks of Rising Star and Keith Coburn of Cross Plains. The guards were Bobby Roberts of Rising Star and Murray Flowers of Early, while the center slot belongs to Howard Lee Neeb of Cross Plains.

FORMER LOCAL COUPLE TO OBSERVE 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY DEC. 27TH.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Hembree, former Cross Plains and Cottonwood couple, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary at their home at 1610 Sandefer in Abilene, Tuesday, December 27.

Mr. Hembree formerly served as postmaster of the Cross Plains office and the couple have many friends in this locality.

Social Security Is Help To Dependents If Breadwinner Dies

Many people think of social security as something to expect only when they get old, according to Ralph T. Fisher, manager of the Abilene social security office.

One of the most important features about this government insurance plan is the protection it affords the family in case the bread winner dies. Where there are dependent children under 18, old age and survivors insurance provides for monthly payments to the children and to the widow who is caring for them. The widow may be entitled to monthly benefits for life when she reaches 65. If there is no child or widow, the worker's parents may qualify for monthly payments at 65 if they were dependent on him for their support. In some cases there is no one immediately qualified for any of the types of monthly payments and in such a case a lump-sum death payment may be made.

There are two important considerations in the payment of the benefits; first, the bread winner must have worked under social security long enough to be insured; and second, a claim for the payments must be filed with the social security office.

As a service to local residents, Glen McNatt from the Abilene social security office visits Cisco regularly. He was to have been in Cisco on Thursday, December 22, at 2:00 p.m. at the post office.

BROWN COUNTY FARMERS VOTE NO ON MARKETING QUOTAS LAST THURSDAY

Brown county farmers voted against marketing quotas last Thursday. The ballot was 90 against and 42 for.

Over the nation, though, more than the required two thirds majority was rolled up. United Press reports said the total would be near eight to one for maintaining marketing quotas.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Howell and son, Max, and Dr. and Mrs. M. C. Baldwin and daughter of Plainview will spend Christmas here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Baldwin.

Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Strahan and two children, of Odessa, spent the week end in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Howard Strahan, in Cross Plains.

This sum is the equivalent of—More than three times the year's expenditures on housing.

Over double the cost of household operation for the year, including every expense in running a home.

More than twice the amount spent on clothing, accessories and jewelry combined.

Three times the cost of all transportation outlays, including automobile purchases and their operation.

U. S. Economic Facts

Department of Commerce figures show that in 1948 the total cost of federal, state and local government amounted to \$51,800,000.

Merry Christmas

May the blessings of Christmas descend upon your homes in abundance.



The Fabric Shop & Central Cleaners



Let us give thanks together for the priceless gift of Christmas 1949

W. D. Smith

Cross Plains, Texas

Classified Ads 30¢ Per Week



We commend the New Year to you as an opportunity to embrace twelve months of happy achievement.

Ira H. Hall

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS



May The Santa Claus Of Good Cheer Bless Each Of Your Homes This Christmas Season

IS THE WISH OF YOUR FRIENDS AT

HIGGINBOTHAM BROS. & Co

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

Thanks For The Privilege of Having Served You During 1949, and Hoping for a Continuance of Your Confidence and Support In Years To Come.

First Baptist Church
By Rev. J. W. Chapman

Morning services on December 25 will be in the regular order: Sunday School at 9:45 and the worship hour at 11:00 a.m. Christmas music will be used for the service. The pastor will use for his sermon topic, the story of the birth of Christ according to Luke's gospel.

At the Training Union Hour, 6:30 p.m., Miss Mary Alice Applin will bring a flannel-graph story of the Nativity. This is a very beautiful arrangement of the birth and life of Christ.

Classified Ads

NOTICE: Sturges & Gibbs in Coleman will be open until 8:00 p.m. each night this week for convenience of out-of-town shoppers. (1tc)

A CHRISTMAS GREETING

May we take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks for the business we have enjoyed from your community. We send our best wishes for a Happy Holiday Season and a Prosperous New Year. We are always happy at any time to be of service to you.

LONE STAR LUMBER AND BUILDERS SUPPLY
ABILENE, TEXAS
1818 Pine St. Phone 4381

A personal wish for all my friends customers and acquaintances. A most joyful and happy Christmas to one and all.

May your new year be most prosperous.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis H. Bowlin and Children.

Miss Nancy Allgood and the hostesses Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Strahan.

Strahan Home Scene Of Party For Sunday School Class Dec. 16

The conventional mistletoe, roses and sprays of cedar were the decorations used by Mrs. J. H. Strahan when she entertained the T. E. L. class of the Baptist Sunday School the evening of December 16. She was assisted by Mrs. W. R. Thompson.

After a bountiful dinner served buffet style, the ladies held a short business meeting, then introduced their honored guests, members of the Home Makers class which is taught by Mrs. A. J. Mathis.

Christmas carols were sung and some very interesting and touching readings given by Mesdams L. L. Howser and J. W. Dunlap. Mrs. Howser, class teacher, presented each lady with a small corsage arranged in a very clever little holder.

Climaxing the evening's entertainment was the gift exchange and immediately the very beautifully decorated Christmas tree became the center of attraction. At this time the members of the class revealed their "secret pal" names which proved to be a source of merriment.

Those present were: Mesdams I. H. Hall, H. V. Falkner, J. A. Miller, J. L. Baum, S. N. Foster, S. G. Jones, F. C. Newton, N. G. Jones, A. J. Mathis, A. J. Kunkle, E. O. Adams, J. C. DeBusk, Winnie Elliott, Etta C. Booth, L. W. Westerman, J. W. Dunlap, L. M. Purvis, L. L. Howser, J. W. Chapman, Annie Warren, A. W. Wright, and

Mrs. Jack Aiken Is Hostess To W.S.C.S. At Christmas Party

The W.S.C.S. of the Methodist church met with Mrs. Jack Aiken in her home for the Christmas program on December 19.

The tree and decorations were beautiful. The tree stood in a unique metal holder which was a Christmas present from her husband many years ago.

After the usual devotional conducted by Mrs. Yarbrough and Mrs. Aiken, a group of five ladies gave "The Wisest Wise Man" (modern version of Van Dyke's "The Other Wise Man"). The whole group sang "Joy To The World".

Then came an exchange of gifts and attractive refreshment plates were passed, each being lighted by a tiny birthday candle in candy holder.

After much cheerful chatter reluctant good byes and expressions of appreciation were said to the much loved senior member.

2 Men Known Here Victims Of Wreck At Baird Tuesday

Melvin Farmer, long time resident of Baird, was killed and Andrew Young, formerly of Cottonwood, was gravely injured Tuesday night in an automobile wreck north of Baird.

Details of the accident were not available as the Review went to press. Neither had funeral arrangements for Mr. Farmer been completed, however, it was believed that services would be held from the Baird Methodist church Thursday afternoon, possibly at two o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Jiles Upton and daughter of Baytown will spend Christmas here in the home of her mother, Mrs. W. J. Gray.

Review Want Ads Get Results

Mrs. Hattie Adams Is Hostess To The Burkett H. D. Club

The Burkett home demonstration club met Tuesday, December 13, in the home of Mrs. Hattie Adams with 17 members and two visitors present.

The devotional was given by Mrs. Lou Burkett, followed by prayer offered by Mrs. C. D. Baker. Christmas carols were sung with Mrs. John Price at the piano and Mrs. Alva Holland leading. Mrs. D. C. Gray read the Christmas story and Mrs. Nolan Burkett told how the yuletide is celebrated in foreign lands.

Mrs. Willie Henderson of the Live Oak club gave the council report and an interesting demonstration on candle making. She exhibited a white candle which she had made and presented it to the hostess.

Gifts were exchanged from a beautiful Christmas tree, revealing to members their secret friends throughout the year.

A delicious dinner was served, buffet style, after which drawings were made for "secret friends of 1950".

Members present were: Mesdams John Price, D. C. Gray, Earl Brown, Clyde Brown, Jimmy Davis, C. D. Baker, Lester Strawn, Nolan Burkett, Lou Burkett, J. W. Morgan, Cora Gaines, T. C. Strickland, Ava Belle Oliver, J. C. Boyle and Hattie Adams. The two visitors were Mrs. Fannie Evans and Mrs. Willie Henderson.

Next meeting of the club will be in the home of Mrs. Nolan Burkett January third.

MICKY FREEMAN IS HONORED WITH PARTY

Mrs. H. C. Freeman was hostess when she honored her daughter, Mickey, with a party at her home Thursday afternoon of last week. Games and contests were enjoyed throughout the afternoon.

Refreshments of hot chocolate, santa suckers, and cake were served to 30 guests.

Pioneer

By A. O. (Slim) Harris

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Gray and Marilyn spent the week end in Leuders with friends and carried away the honors of being good wild game hunters.

Mrs. Laura Hurley of Abilene visited her daughter and son over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Flippin visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Pancake Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Delma Dean suffered a nervous breakdown last Saturday and is confined to her bed. She is reported to be doing very well at this time.

PLAINS Theatre

BOB & ALMA VAUGHT
CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

Nights 6:45 P.M.
Matinee, Sat. & Sun. . 1:30 P.M.

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY
December 21 & 22

Burt Lancaster
Paul Henreid

In

"Rope of Sand"

FRIDAY & SATURDAY
December 23 & 24

Bob Mitchum

In

"Nevada"

and

Mischa Auer
Mary Boland

In

"Little Tough Guys
In Society"

SUNDAY & MONDAY
December 25 & 26

Bing Crosby
Ann Blyth
Barry Fitzgerald
Hume Cronyn

In

"Top O' The
Morning"

TUESDAY ONLY
December 27

Marguerite Chapman

In

"The Green Promise"

Mrs. Eva Huntington and Patti Sue of Abilene spent the week end with Mrs. Eula Fore.

Several relatives were guests in the F. N. Nills home over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Hess and Mrs. Homer Brown were in the city of Brownwood.

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

Thursday - Friday - Saturday

Chocolate Covered Cherries, lb. box 49

SUGAR, pure cane - 10 lb bag - - 87

10c COUNTER SPECIAL

SEE OUR BIG COUNTER OF 10cent CANNED GOODS ITEMS
BUY ANYTHING ON COUNTER FOR A DIME

ORANGES, fresh, 8 lb. bag - - - 43

Grape Juice, Steele's, quart - - - 19

Oxydol, Dreft, Duz or Tide, pkg. - - 23

Come In And Guess At Number Of Beans In Jar For \$10. Prize To Be Given Saturday. You Don't Have To Buy A Thing. Anyone Can Guess.

THE ABOVE SPECIAL PRICES AND OTHER FOOD BARGAINS WE ARE OFFERING CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS ARE NOT LIMITED. BUY AS MANY AND AS FREQUENTLY AS YOU DESIRE.

HERE'S WISHING EACH OF YOU

Merry Christmas

AND A HAPPY, PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

W. T. COX

"WHERE MA SAVES PA'S MONEY"

BURKETT

CROSS PLAINS



Yes, it is Christmas time again—and we want to take this opportunity of wishing you the compliments of the Season . . . a Merry, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We've appreciated the business given us in the past—we have tried mighty hard to please you and we hope to number you as a customer for many years to come.

So here's a hearty "Thank You" for your good will in the past, and the best of wishes for prosperity, health and happiness in 1950.

SUGAR, LIMITED 10 Lb. Bag 87

HUNT'S Pears, 2 1/2 size - - 29c ALL FLAVORS Jello, 3 pkgs. - - - 27

CRISP, GREEN Celery, stalk - - - 15c EVERLITE Salad Dressing, pt. - 27

CRISCO, Limit One At This Price 3 Lb. Tin 69

Cranberries, lb bag - 25c Oranges, 5 lb. bag - 27

Salt Jowls, lb. - - - 15c Cheese, Longhorn, lb. - 37

ARMOUR'S Bacon Ends, 2 lbs. - 31c ARMOUR'S Picnic Hams, lb. - - 47

FRESH Pork Liver, lb. - - - 31c ARMOUR'S Sausage, 1 lb. roll - 37

BACON, Banner, sliced, lb. - - - - 39



Sale of Christmas FOODS
FRIDAY and SATURDAY

Register for free groceries to be given away Saturday afternoon at three o'clock and again at four. You don't have to buy a thing, just come in and sign your name. Neither do you have to be present to win.

SUGAR, Imperial - 10 lb. bag - - 86c

R&W Flour, 25 lbs. - - \$1.69	LARGE HEADS Lettuce, 2 heads for - 21c
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R&W Coffee, lb can - - - 65c	LARGE Celery, 2 stalks - - 25c
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HAM, half or whole, - lb. - - - 51c

Cranberries, lb. bag - 20c	Spuds, 10 lb. bag - - 45c
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LONGHORN Cheese, lb. - - - 35c	YELLOW QUICK, BLUE BONNET Oleo., lb. - - - - 28c
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SHORTENING, - R&W, 3lb. can - 65c

R&W, White or Yellow Corn, 2 No. 2 cans. - 39c	OUR VALUE Green Beans, 2 No. 2 cans 27c
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BACON, Armour's Star, sliced, lb. - 50c

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

Here's wishing each and everyone of you every happiness of the Christmas season and sincere, good wishes for the new year. It has been a pleasure to serve you in years past and here's hoping that we may continue to enjoy your patronage and support.

HAPPY AND BOOTS

RED & WHITE STORE

"Store of Friendly Service"

Cross Plains, Texas