



"AS I SEE IT"

By Jack McCarty

Christmas is almost here and a communication from Santa Claus the past week stated that he planned to visit in Cross Plains next Monday night, December 22, when he is anxious to see all the boys and girls of this area at the big community Christmas tree on Main Street. He also stated that he would have a large supply of candy, apples, oranges and nuts to distribute to all the children present. There will also be a Christmas program, sponsored by the Fire Department and every member of the family will enjoy the evening. If you have a gift for someone that you would like to place on the tree, members of the Fire Department guarantee to deliver it to the rightful recipient. Come in Monday night and bring the whole family, including baby and grandma. There will be entertainment for all. The big party will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Next week being Christmas week, the Review will be published early so that our reader(s) may receive their copy in the mail on Christmas Eve. This next edition will be the usual Christmas greeting issue and since the time element will enter the picture, it is possible that we may fail to call on you and if you desire an advertisement in this edition, please phone 114 and your needs will be taken care of.

Our congratulations are extended to Carl King and his band instructor, Bill King (no relation) upon being chosen as a member of the regional band as a bass horn player at the annual regional competition held at McMurry College in Abilene last week. It is, indeed, an honor to be chosen for this band because the competition is keen and the competitors many.

While on the subject of congratulations, we want to recognize Miss Delma Jean Newton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Newton, who was chosen the "most beautiful girl" in high school at the contest held in the school gym, Friday night of last week. She won the distinction over a field of 34 candidates and was picked by impartial judges from out-of-town. She is a beautiful girl and well deserves the title. Also, we congratulate Miss Jean Dillard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Dillard, on her election as Drum Major of the Buffalo Band. Jean is pretty and popular in school circles and should make the band an excellent leader for the next two years.

Following the usual practice of a number of years standing, the Review will again publish children's letters to Santa Claus and all children of this area are invited to mail their letters to Santa to the Editor of the Review. However, since the paper will be published early next week, it will be necessary for letters to be mailed by Friday of this week in order to assure publication.

Have you ever spent a few days in a hospital? Do you recall how lonesome it gets when friends fail to come by? Do you remember how you looked forward to the mail calls for cards and letters from friends and relatives? That's the shape young James Lynn, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brashear of this city, is in now. He has recently underwent two surgical operations in the Scott & White Hospital at Temple and is now recuperating there with nothing to do but look forward to hearing from his friends in Cross Plains and if you haven't written him a card or letter, do it now. A hospital is a lonesome place at best and a message from you will help cheer him up and make the time pass faster. His address is:

James Lynn Brashear
Room No. 377
Scott & White Hospital
Temple, Texas

This writer became well acquainted with James Lynn while serving as Scoutmaster of the local troop of which he was a member. We know him to be one of the finest boys in this community and we wish him a complete and speedy recovery as Christmas present and we know he will appreciate it.

REVIEW CHRISTMAS EDITION WILL BE PUBLISHED EARLY

The annual Christmas greeting edition of the Review will be published next week, on Tuesday so that it can be mailed and received in the homes of the trade territory Wednesday (Christmas Eve).

Merchants and business firms desiring space, and who have not been contacted personally are asked to phone 114, and your order will be taken care of.

Help Build A Better Community By Trading At Home

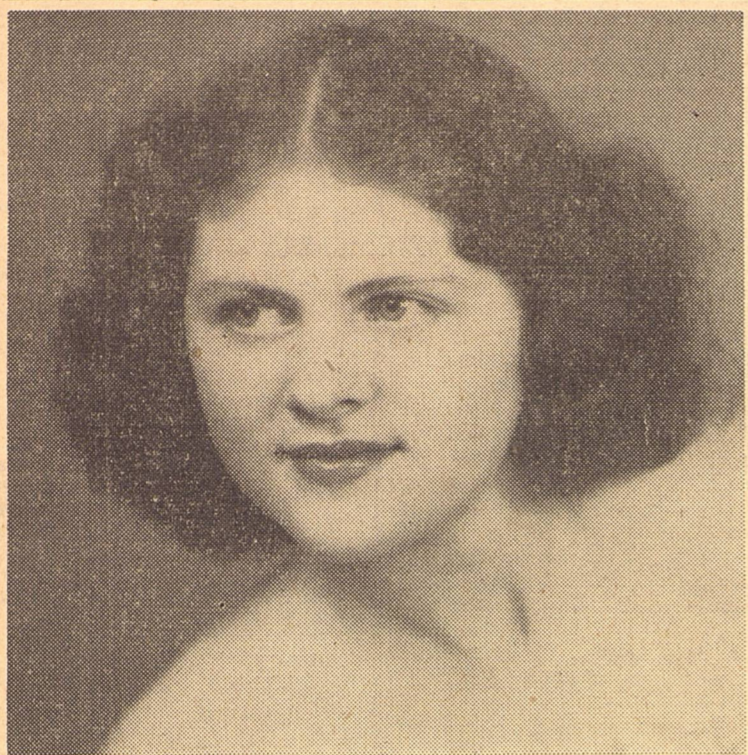
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Santa Is Coming to Town



HEAD DRUM MAJOR—Pictured above, Miss Jean Dillard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Dillard, of this city, who was named Drum Major of the Cross Plains Buffalo Band the past week to replace Miss Jackie Paulk, who moved to Kingsville recently. Miss Dillard was named by the band members in a popular vote and will lead the band for the balance of this year and next.

Former Resident Is Buried at Santa Anna

Friends of the Burrage family will regret to learn of the death of George C. Burrage, 50, who passed away at his home in San Angelo, last week.

Funeral services were held at the First Baptist Church in Santa Anna Wednesday afternoon, December 10.

The Burrage family is well known here, having made their home here a number of years ago while he was employed by West Texas Utilities Co. He served as manager for West Texas Utilities Co. in Albany after leaving Cross Plains and made his home in Santa Anna from 1947 until a few months ago when he moved to San Angelo.

He is survived by the widow, Mrs. Mabel Burrage, and one daughter, Mrs. Elgean Harris of Santa Anna, his mother, a sister and two brothers.

Christmas Seal Sale At Half-Way Mark

Christmas Seal contributions to fight the spread of tuberculosis in Callahan County totaled \$691.00 as the campaign reached the half-way mark, Mrs. C. H. Siadous, county Christmas Seal sale chairman, announced this week.

The minimum needed to continue the Callahan County Association's projects, aimed at eventually wiping out the costly, communicable disease, has not been reached, but Mrs. Siadous expressed the hope that it would be in the last half of the campaign. The seal sale will continue until December 25.

Mrs. Siadous explained that 80 per cent of every dollar contributed by county residents is used to support the Association's program in the area. Twenty per cent goes to the State Association, which forwards six per cent to the National Tuberculosis Association, with which both the state and local associations are affiliated.

Explaining that one per cent of the amount allocated to the NTA is earmarked for research, Mrs. Siadous said that medical research is one of the most important fronts in the battle against tuberculosis and that the people of Callahan County help support TB research when they buy Christmas Seals.

Research led to the discovery that TB is passed from person to person by the tubercle bacillus; it led to the discovery of the use of X-ray, our most important tool in diagnosing the disease; it has given doctors surgical techniques and drugs which have saved many lives. Research is going on constantly to find new and better weapons against TB.

"Everyone who buys and uses Christmas Seals takes an active part in the community and national battle against tuberculosis, the unnecessary disease, which is still the number one infectious killer," Mrs. Siadous concluded.

Dick Brown and H. V. Falkner were Cisco visitors Sunday.

Cross Plains Review

School To Turn Out For Holidays Here Tuesday, December 23

According to an announcement made here this week, the local schools will turn out next Tuesday afternoon, December 23, for the Christmas holidays and will resume classes on Monday morning, January 5.

Principal Hubert Kelley stated that all classes in the elementary school would have their class Christmas trees Tuesday afternoon just before being dismissed for the holidays.

Brother of Local Man Dies Saturday After Suffering Heart Attack

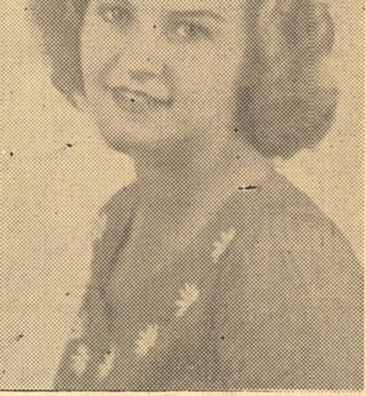
B. Newton, 56, a resident of Moran for over 20 years and brother of O. W. (Todd) Newton of this city, died unexpectedly last Saturday afternoon after suffering a heart attack.

Mr. Newton was born October 24, 1896, at Cottonwood and made his home there for many years. He was a farmer and carpenter. Services were held at the Moran Baptist Church, with the pastor, the Rev. W. R. Karkalits, officiating, assisted by Sanford Tune, Church of Christ minister.

Survivors other than the brother here, include his wife, two sons, two brothers, three sisters and one grandson.

Billie Jean Wright Named FFA Sweetheart At Tarleton College

Miss Billie Jean Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Wright of this city, was elected sweetheart of the Tarleton Chapter of the Future Farmers of America at a meeting held recently at the col-



lege. Billie Jean is a Business Administration major at Tarleton. She graduated from the Cross Plains high school in June and held several outstanding honors while attending school here. Among those were freshman Hallowe'en Duchess and class officer, band sweetheart, majorette for three years, junior class favorite, FFA sweetheart in both chapter and district, most beautiful girl and received letters in both basketball and volleyball.

Billie Jean rode on the FFA float in the Tarleton homecoming parade late in November and will be presented at the FFA banquet to be held soon.

CARL CHAMPION MOVING HIS BLACKSMITH SHOP

In an advertisement in this edition of the Review, Carl Champion announces that he is now in the process of moving his blacksmith and welding shop from its present location, to the Mason Shuford place on North Main Street, just north of the ward school.

He stated that he would be ready for business in about 10 days and invites his friends and customers to call on him in his new location.

SCHOOL MEN ATTEND DISTRICT MEETING OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS

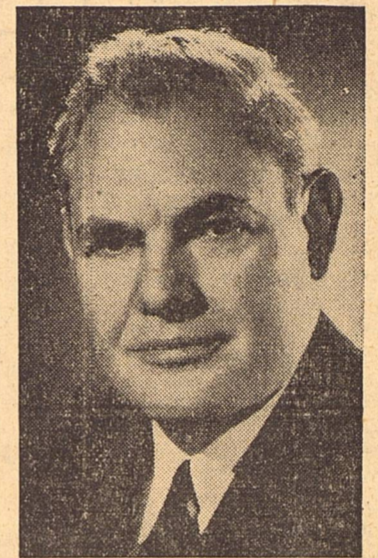
Supt. Paul L. Whitton, accompanied by school principals James Alexander and Hubert Kelley, Hulon Harris, and I. B. Loving, teachers, and Hadden Payne, president of the school board, were in Sweetwater Monday evening to attend a district meeting of School Administrators in this area.

Try Review Want Ads

St. Nick to Visit Kids at Big Christmas Party, Monday Night

Bishop Martin Elected President of Church In Assembly at Denver

Bishop William C. Martin of the Methodist Church, Dallas - Fort Worth Area, was elected president of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA at the General Assembly which closed



at Denver, Colorado, last Friday.

Bishop Martin succeeds the Rt. Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill of New York, presiding bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The Council, representing 29 denominations of over 33,000,000 members, is the largest interdenominational group in the nation. It was formed in 1950 with the cooperation of eight interdenominational agencies and now represents nearly 70 per cent of American Protestantism and a dozen church agencies. The Denver session is the first meeting of the 500 official delegates and about 1,500 other church leaders since the formal organization. It is the most representative group in U. S. Christianity.

Bishop Martin heads united churchmen who meet biennially as a council. Interim matters are handled by a 65 member General Board, representing the several groups.

Illustrative of the issues that concerned the Council in Denver last week were the increases and shifts in American population and what the churches could do to win the unchurched; the need for stronger endeavor in world missions; the trends on Protestant college campuses toward materialism; the larger place for laymen in church life; the place of religion in dealing with all the tensions in American life; problems of marriage and the home; and the importance of moral and religious ideas in establishing peace in the world.

CONNIE RAY HUTSON SERVING IN KOREA

Pvt. Connie Ray Hutson, son of Mrs. H. H. Hutson of this city, has written his mother that he arrived in Korea December 3 and is now stationed two miles behind the front lines. Connie says that at the time he wrote there was nine inches of snow on the ground, but that he slept in a cave which protected him from the cold. He is serving with an artillery unit, operating a 155 mm. Howitzer. He entered the service in September, 1951 and took his basic training at Camp Roberts, California and advanced training at Fort Hood. Connie Ray left the states for the Far East November 14.

CALLAHAN COUNTY SINGING CONVENTION TO BE HELD AT CLYDE ON DECEMBER 21

Doyle Burchfield, President of the Callahan County Singing Convention, announced this week that the organization will hold its regular meeting at the Methodist Church, in Clyde on Sunday afternoon, December 21, starting at 2:30. He stated that a number of good singers will be present to take part on the program during the afternoon and all lovers of gospel music are invited to be present at the convention.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Batis of Brownwood were guests of Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Riley Sunday.

The stage is set and everything is in readiness here for the annual visit of Santa Claus, who sent word that he would be present at the big Community Christmas Party around the Fire Department's Christmas tree on Main Street, Monday night, December 22.

Fire Chief V. C. Walker stated that the party would begin promptly at 7:30 p.m.

Carl King Places In Regional Band Meet At Abilene Saturday

Band Director Bill King, accompanied by band members Carl King, Sammie Hill, Billy Busbee and John Wagner, were in Abilene Saturday of the past week where the boys entered competition in the regional band meet held at McMurry College.

Carl King, bass horn player with the local band, won a chair in the regional band, being one of four bass players chosen from a field of 46 candidates. He played in the regional band concert held in the Radford Memorial Hall there Saturday night.

Director King stated that the competition was keen and he was indeed proud to have a member of his band make the regional band. He served as a judge in the saxophone competition.

James Lynn Brashear Undergoes Surgery At Temple Hospital

James Lynn Brashear, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brashear of this city, underwent surgery twice the past week in the Scott & White Hospital at Temple, for a growth in his groin.

According to latest reports from the hospital he is making a normal recovery.

He is a member of the sixth grade in the local elementary school and is also a member of the Buffalo Band.

UNDERGOES SURGERY

L. D. Koenig underwent an appendectomy Sunday in the Rising Star Hospital. Latest reports state that he is doing fine.

Mrs. Pauline Richards of Abilene was a business visitor in Cross Plains Monday.

THE BAYOU PHILOSOPHER COMES UP WITH UNWORKABLE IDEA FOR EQUALIZING YULE GIFT PROBLEM

Editor's note: The Bayou Philosopher on his Johnson grass farm on the Bayou won't get anywhere with the odd idea he has this week, but he never does anyway.

Dear editor:

I know that the people have voted for a change, but before we cut loose from Washington entirely and start shifting for ourselves again, without of course giving up social security and pensions and price supports and RFC loans and Federal highways and flood control programs and government school lunches, there is one point I'd like to get into the general permanent program.

It didn't come up in the campaign and I don't know how anybody in Washington stands on it, but what I would like to see is a government program to finance Christmas gifts.

Like it is now, Christmas, financially speaking, is about as hazardous as farmin or ranchin. A man don't anymore know whether he's gonna break even on it when he knows he puts a crop in the ground in the spring whether he's gonna come out ahead or behind next fall.

I ain't talkin about the original Christmas spirit, I'm talkin about the practical one confrontin most people right now the one of swappin gifts among your acquaintances and kinfolks. Understand, I think the practical one is a fine idea, it's pleasant, and upliftin and exchange gifts, a fine human custom that's wholesome, but you got to consider the practical side of the matter. This idea of takin care of everybody on your list in a manner you figure they're gonna take care of you, or as nearly as you can estimate, can sweep a man off his feet and before he knows it he's in the hole and way overdrawn and all he's got to show for it is some knickknacks he ain't got much use for.

What the government ought to do is allot some money for every citizen at Christmas time, after all, the spirit of givin ought to be as wholesome for the government as it is for the individual. We send money to Washington all the time without any questions asked, it looks like once a year Washington could break down and return the favor.

I don't know how this ought to be arranged, but I imagine we got plenty of experts in Washington who could figure out a satisfactory program and I wouldn't haggle over the method just so my check got here on time. Whatever the amount was, that's the amount a man would spend for Christmas gifts.

Under this system, when your wife complained over what she got, all you have to do is say, don't blame me, it's them shortsighted bureaucrats in Washington.

If you think this system has any merit, let's get busy on it. Christmas is almost here.

Yours faithfully, J. A.



Food Buys

COCOANUTS, 15c, 2 for	25c
Oranges Lb.	10c
Lemons Lb.	15c
Tangerines Lb.	20c
Crisco 3 Lbs.	83c
Bell Peppers Lb.	23c
CELERY HEARTS, pkg.	32c
Potatoes 10 Lbs.	59c
LETTUCE, large head	17c
CARROTS, cello bag	17c
RUTABAGAS, 3 lbs.	25c
NEW POTATOES, lb.	7c
Catsup Hunt's, Bottle	23c
POP CORN, lb.	19c
CORN BREAD MIX, Hush Puppy, can	19c
RELISH, Piccalilli, lb. jar	33c
PANCAKE MIX, Pillsbury's, pkg.	37c
PANCAKE MIX, Aunt Jemima, pkg.	37c
Sugar 10 Lbs.	95c
Betty Crocker's PIE CRUST MIX, 2 pkgs.	33c
PURE COFFEE CREAM, Pream, can	34c
10c Jergen's Lotion MILD SOAP, 12 bars	65c
Oleo REO, Piggly Wiggly's Own, Lb.	27c
Armour's Shank HAMS, half or whole, lb.	68c
Turkeys Lb.	65c
PICNIC HAMS, fruited, lb.	65c
Pork Chops Lb.	45c
SMOKED JOWL, lb.	25s
Hens Premium, Lb.	59c
TREET, 2 cans	\$1.00
TAMALES, Gebhardt's, 4 cans	\$1.00
SPAM, 2 cans	\$1.00
STEW, Dinty Moore, 2 cans	\$1.00
SALAD DRESSING, Everlite, pt.	29c
Oysters Delta Maid, 3 Cans	\$1.25

We Give S&H Green Stamps

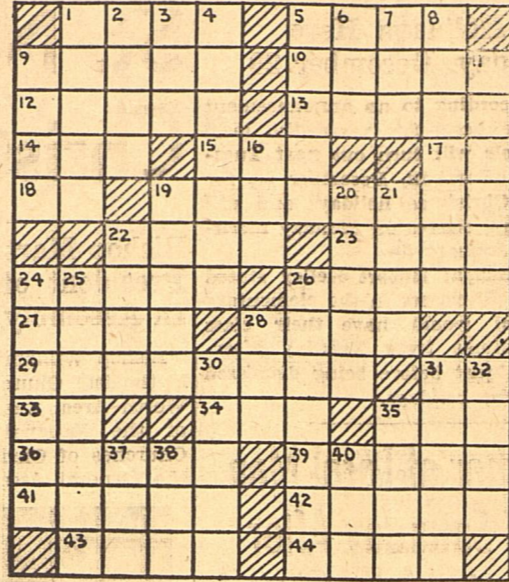
Piggly Wiggly

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

LAST WEEK'S ANSWER

- ACROSS**
- Fellow
 - Flock
 - Sacks
 - Pincer-like claw
 - Perform
 - Employs for wages
 - Island (Malay Arch.)
 - Particle of addition
 - Bind
 - Ruthenium (sym.)
 - Sun god
 - Steals
 - Gloomy
 - Internal decay of fruit
 - A fur scarf
 - Declares for score
 - Corridor
 - Speaks
 - Natives of Odessa
 - Hebrew letter
 - Overhead
 - Strike
 - Lever
 - Roman garments
 - Mistake
 - Bondsman
 - Not tight
 - Paradise
 - Remain

- DOWN**
- Oriental country
 - Complicates
 - Troubles
 - Alms
 - Cries out
 - Immature frog
 - Fireplace shelves
 - A capuchin monkey
 - Gloss
 - Dull
 - A journey in circuit
 - Malayan boat
 - Wander about idly
 - Hail!
 - Decay



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Season of Year When "Flu" Most Prevalent

This is the season of the year when influenza or "flu" is most prevalent, according to Dr. George W. Cox, State Health Officer. Colds, gripe, influenza, whatever we may call them, are believed to be spread from person to person through discharges from the nose and throat. To protect yourself and others from such disease, here are some things to be remembered:

Influenza is highly infectious. Practically everybody is susceptible to it. No matter how many times you have had the disease you may contract it again. Therefore, keep away from people who are sneezing, coughing, or sniffing or who are actively ill with colds, influenza or pneumonia. Keep away from crowded places. Have your own towel and always wash your hands before eating, and sneeze or cough into your handkerchief.

Keep fit by drinking plenty of water, by eating simple nourishing food, by some exercise out of doors every day, by dressing according to the weather, by having plenty of sleep in a well ventilated room, and by keeping the bowels regulated.

Don't neglect your "cold." If you have the slightest suspicion of fever go home, go to bed immediately and call your physician. Stay in bed until he tells you that you can get up, and follow his advice explicitly.

Disastrous results may ensue if influenza cases are allowed to get about too soon. Persons convalescing from influenza are particularly susceptible to other infections. If you are just getting over some illness, return to your normal routine of life gradually.

Noah's Ark was made of gopher wood.

MOVING . . .

I am moving my shop from its present location to the Mason Shuford place at the end of North Main Street and invite my friends and customers to visit me in my new location.

Carl Champion Blacksmith and Welding Shop

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Un-Skinned
REMOVED free

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Brownwood 9494
Brownwood Rendering Co.

State Ass'n. Joins Campaign To Rid Texas of "Sharks"

Waco, Dec. 18—An organization with several thousand members over Texas, the State Junior Chamber of Commerce, has thrown its support into the campaign to rid Texas of loan sharks through the enactment of a small loan law, similar to the legislation in effect in 30 states.

"The time has come for an all-out offensive," declared a resolution adopted at the convention here, because the need for such a statute is "serious and immediate." Texas has become "the haven for loan sharks," the resolution stated, and people "who can least afford it are being deprived of millions of dollars annually in outrageous interest."

The legislature, which convenes in January, was urged to adopt the small loan bill approved by a

special committee of the State Bar of Texas.

Making the small loan business legitimate and respectable can be brought about, it was set forth, by legalizing a fair return to the lender and, at the same time, protecting the borrower through a law with "teeth and rigid enforcement." The resolution asserted:

"The ceiling on charges must be easily computed and without holes for subterfuge. Only persons with a reputation for honesty should be licensed to operate such a business, with severe restrictions being placed on those without license. Lenders should not be allowed to split loans and their charges on loan renewals should be especially limited. The borrower should be given an itemization of all charges."

Mrs. B. W. Webb of Burkett visited in the Edwin Baum home Saturday.

Mrs. E. I. Vestal, Jr. and son of Fort Worth arrived Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Vestal, Sr. and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Shelton, who have been making their home in Bowie for sometime, have moved back to Cross Plains and are now at home in the Whitehorn house, and are caring for her father, R. C. Thompson, who has been ill for sometime.

PLAINS

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY

December 17-18

Walt Disney's

"Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs"

(color by Technicolor)

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

December 19-20

Robert Stack
Ann Gwynn

"Men of Texas"

Plus

Little Rascals Comedy

"When the Wind Blows"

SUNDAY & MONDAY

December 21-22

Jeff Chandler
Scott Brady
Susan Ball

"Yankee Buccaneer"

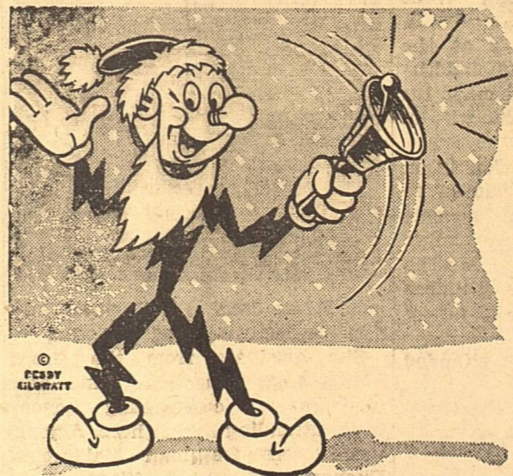
(Color by Technicolor)

TUESDAY ONLY

December 23

Leo Gorcey

"No Holds Barred"



For a gift that will really

"ring the bell" give a

G-E Automatic Electric Blanket!

Young or old—they

all want Sleeping Comfort!

These are some of the many features that make the General Electric SLEEP-GUARD BLANKET a wonderful and practical Christmas Gift:

- Comfort**
- Warmth Without Weight
 - Pre-Warms The Bed
 - Maintains Constant Temperature
 - Eliminates Midnight Hunt for Extra Blanket

- Economy**
- One G-E Blanket Takes The Place of Three Ordinary Blankets
 - Long-Wearing Washable Fabric

- Style**
- New High-Style Design
 - "Touch-Appeal" Luxury Fabric
 - Smart, Illuminated Bedside Control

You just dial "Sleeping Comfort" to suit your own personal taste — and enjoy perfect sleeping comfort.

G-E Automatic Electric Blankets are available in six lush colors — Dresden Blue, Citron, Rose Pink, Sprout Green, Flamingo and Garden Green — and in sizes to fit any style bed.



West Texas Utilities Company

Cross Plains Review

Thursday, December 18, 1952

Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Kent were their daughters, Mrs. Ruth Followell and Mrs. O. A. McCoy and husband, all of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tunnell and children were in Lubbock over the week end visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Bledsoe, and other relatives.

Pre-Christmas SALE!

\$4.95 Doll, priced at	\$3.45
\$5.98 Doll, priced at	\$4.39
\$4.95 Doll Buggy for	\$3.95
\$6.49 Kiddie Tricycle	\$4.49
\$14.95 Tricycle, priced at	\$10.95
\$23.95 Tricycle, priced at	\$17.95
\$15.75 Kiddie Car for	\$12.50
\$10.95 Radio Flyer Wagon	\$7.50
\$5.49 Radio Super Wagon	\$4.89
\$4.50 Radio Special Wagon	\$3.49
\$5.50 Daisy Air Rifle	\$3.98
Air Rifle Shot, tube	.05
\$2.75 Football Helmet	\$1.98
Single Barrel Shot Guns, 12, 16, 20 and .410 ga.	\$23.50
value for	\$19.50
Baseball Bats	.98
Soft Balls	.75
\$4.40 Whippet Fishing Rod for	\$2.98
\$2.95 Bronson Casting Reels	\$1.98
Admiral 5-tube Table Model Radio	\$19.95
Arvin Table Model 5-tube Radio, \$24.95 value	\$19.95
GE Kitchen Clock	\$4.95
GE Automatic Pop-up Toaster	\$22.95
Waffle Iron and Grid Automatic	\$29.95
9x12 Linoleum Rugs	\$7.49
Apartment Range	\$72.50
Arvin Car Heater, \$22.95 value	\$17.50
Automatic Electric Percolator	\$9.95
Costume Jewelry	.39 and up
53-pc. Set Georgian Pattern Dinnerware, a value for	\$19.95
9-Ft. Admiral Refrigerator, a \$269.95 value	\$199.95
15 Months Chevrolet Battery	\$13.95
15 Months Low Ford Battery	\$13.95
18 Months High Ford Battery	\$13.95
Goodyear 650x16 DeLuxe Tires	\$17.50
Goodyear Marathon 710x15 Tires	\$16.50
Barlow Pocket Knife	.75
Florescent Tubes, 40-20-14 watt -- Christmas Cards	
Christmas Lights and Replacement Bulbs	

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Cross Plains, Texas

SABANNO NEWS

By Mrs. Edwin Erwin

There will be a community Christmas tree and short program

at the Baptist Church next Tuesday night, December 23. Every one is invited to come and take part and enjoy the spirit of Christmas. Hubert Lusk of Dallas, Miss Eula Lusk and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Lusk of California and Beryl and Basil Lusk and families of Cross Plains and Abilene visited in the

home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lusk over the week end.

Mrs. Laminack has been on the sick list. Glad to report that she is doing better.

Mr. and Mrs. Cloris Webb and son of Cisco visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. King. They all attended church services Sunday afternoon.

The "Busy Bee Club" met in the home of Mrs. Clara Westerman Wednesday afternoon with eight members and one visitor, Mrs. Inabnet of Pioneer, present. Two quilts were almost completed. Refreshments of ginger bread and whipped cream, coffee and hot chocolate were served to all. Next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Howard Hicks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Casey made a business trip to Plainview first of the week.

Mrs. J. C. Brooker and son made a business trip to Brownwood Friday afternoon.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Earnest Hollis is doing better. She has had the "flu".

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lusk, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Lusk and Miss Eula Lusk were shopping in Cisco Saturday.

Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Hollis were: her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ida Armstrong of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Parker of Anson and their children of Abilene and Romney and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Erwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scott and son were Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hicks.

Mrs. Hattie Moore, aunt of Mrs. Joe Lilly, passed away at her home near Williams last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. King attended the stock sale in Eastland last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Forbes of Cisco were visitors in the B. A. Pierce home Monday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Irvin of Olton paid his sister, Mrs. Ben Pierce, a short visit Friday afternoon.

2nd. Lt. and Mrs. Wendell Francis spent Friday night here with his mother, Mrs. Edna Francis. Lt. Francis has just recently graduated from Officers Candidate School at Lackland Air Force Base at San Antonio and will report for duty at Oklahoma City after the holidays.

PIONEER NEWS

By A. O. (Slim) Harris

Santa Claus will be at the Baptist Church on Saturday night, December 20, to meet the boys and girls who have been real good and minded their mamas and papas. Each youngster is to bring a not too expensive gift. A boy bring a gift for a boy and a girl for a girl. Each will get a bag of candy and nuts from old Santa. Everyone is cordially invited to come and see Santa Claus.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Gray over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gilbert and Mr. and Mrs. Luther McCrary of Santa Anna.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown of Snyder have moved to Cross Plains where he will be employed in the Cross Cut oil field.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Huntington of Pampa were here last week. Mrs. Susie Fore returned home with them for a visit over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bryson have moved to the Keller farm southeast of town. According to last reports his mother, who is ill at his home, is some better.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Fore are now living at both ends of the line. They have taken rooms at Brownwood, where they spent the nights. During the day they are at home. He expects Santa to give him plenty to do the next few days on his mail route.

C. B. Hester and Mack Gray were home for the week end. They are working on a construction job at Haskell.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Duncan and Mrs. Phelps of Megargil visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rube Griffen over the week end.

Mrs. Delma Dean left Monday morning to spend a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Cowan Hutton, and the new granddaughter, near Littlefield.

Relatives visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Harris here last Sunday were: Mrs. A. P. Boyd, Mrs. Viola Taylor, Mrs. A. L. Martin and husband, Mrs. Nola Gladson and Mrs. Dora Preston, all of Snyder. They are cousins of Mr. Harris and formerly lived in the Macedonia community east of Rising Star. This is the first time they have been back to view the place of their birth in 52 years. They reported finding only a few items remaining after this half century. They and one brother is all that remains of a family of 12. However, I, the writer, was born at their home and I am addressed as a brother, too. We spread joy while they were here.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Walker of Midland visited with his grandmother, Mrs. V. M. Plumlee, over the week end. He is employed with the Forest Oil Company as a geologist.

I. C. Plumlee and son, Bob, expect to get started with the new dairy sometime this week. They have done themselves proud with the nice new barn which will accommodate a string of 50 cows.

BURKETT NEWS

By Mrs. T. C. Strickland

Mrs. Dora Roberts and Velma Lee of Coleman attended church here Sunday and were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Parsons.

Sunday visitors in the Methodist parsonage with Rev. and Mrs. R. V. Lindsey and Mary Ann were his mother and step-father, a sister and brother-in-law and a nephew, all of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Porter of Fort Worth were week end visitors here.

W. C. Strickland of McMurry College, Abilene, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Strickland, over the week end.

James Henry Brown of Cross Plains visited Rev. and Mrs. R. V. Lindsey Sunday evening.

The high school basketball teams entered the tournament at Santa Anna over the week end. The girls were defeated Saturday morning by Mozelle and the boys were beaten Saturday afternoon by the Mozelle team.

A group of young people from here, accompanied by Rev. and Mrs. R. V. Lindsey, attended the M. Y. F. district meeting at Breckenridge Monday night.

Mrs. Bob Herring has been ill in the Coleman hospital the past several days.

Jackie Dean Strickland, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Strickland, who was recently inducted into the army Air Force, is stationed at El Paso. Pvt. Owen Keefer is home for a 30 day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Keefer.

Billy Joe Herring, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Herring, received an honorable discharge from the military service November 17. He is at home with his wife and baby at Yuma, Arizona.

Week end visitors in the home of Mrs. Net Cross were Mrs. Ruben Booth of Fort Worth, Mrs. Leah Strickland, Mr. and Mrs. Allie Joe Strickland and baby of Houston and Mrs. James Hill and baby of Brownwood.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks and deep appreciation to our friends and neighbors for their numerous kind deeds and thoughtfulness during the extended illness and death of our dear wife and mother. The expressions of heartfelt sympathy, the many cards, gifts and beautiful flowers will always be remembered. May God bestow his richest blessings upon each and every one of you.

W. M. Wright and family.

Charlie Fullen left this week for Fort Worth for an extended visit.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Roberts of Fort Worth visited with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Sims one evening last week. The Roberts' have many friends here, having made their home here several years ago and built the local ice plant. At this time Mr. Roberts is engaged in operating a refrigeration concern in Fort Worth.

CARD OF THANKS

Words are inadequate to express my deep appreciation to my many friends for the many kindnesses shown me during my recent illness. Your cards, flowers, letters, visits and other remembrances have made each day during my stay in the hospital and at home more pleasant.

Dr. Eli Powell

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Adair made a business trip to Abilene Thursday.

Mrs. A. K. Wesley and Joe Burkett of Burkett visited in the Norman Farr home Wednesday of last week. In the afternoon Mrs. W. J. McAnally was a visitor in the Farr home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Smith visited in Abilene Sunday with her son, Cornelius Elliott and family. Neil and David Elliott, who had been visiting here for several days, returned to their home.

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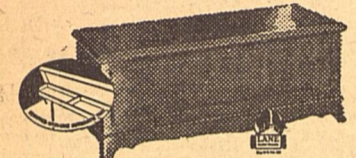
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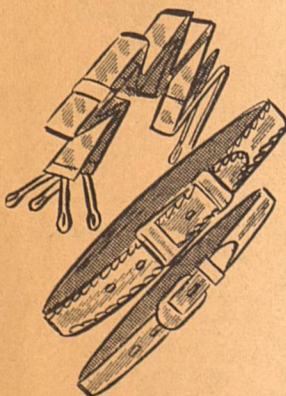
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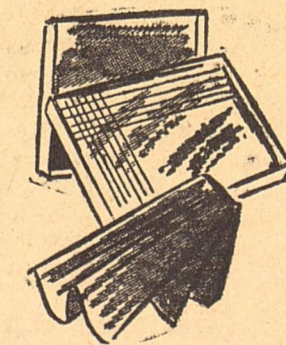
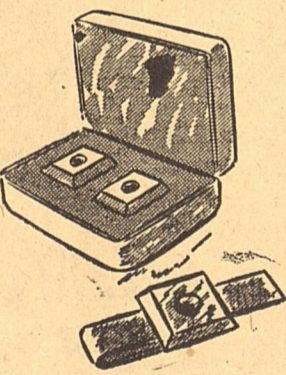
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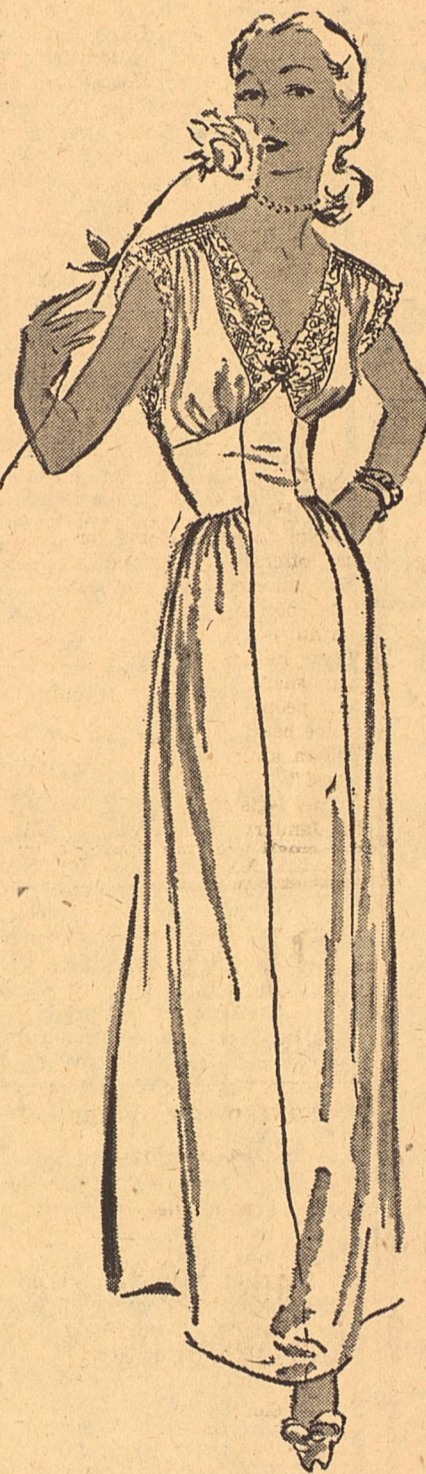
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Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Foster were in Slaton Sunday and Monday visiting their son, Ray, and family.

Mrs. Dave Hargrove and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hargrove and family visited the Walker Hargrove family in Hamlin, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Pierce of Cisco visited with Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Pierce Sunday afternoon.

Today, Walker, was here from Colorado City the past week and visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Walker, and other relatives.

Mrs. Johnnie Frances Howell

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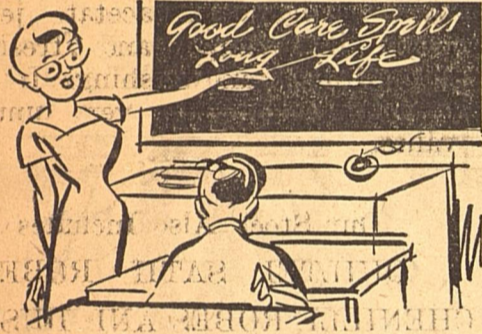
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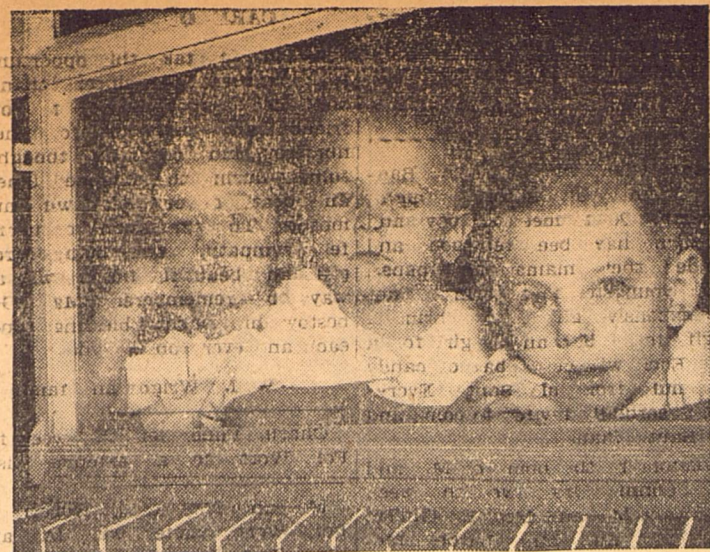
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Do You Remember?...

Taken From The Files of The Review, 15 and 25 Years Ago

DECEMBER 17, 1937

Everything is in readiness for the opening of Pioneer High School's fifth annual basketball tournament this week end.

Mr. White told the Review in a telephone conversation from Baird Thursday afternoon at one o'clock that he accepted the coaching position of Baird and that he would resign his post as mentor of the Cross Plains High School Buffaloes effective January 1.

Calvin Lackey, center, and Granville Pierce, quarterback, will captain the Cross Plains high school Buffaloes during the 1938 football season.

Sammie Roberts of Goldthwaite and Miss Winnie Coppinger of Cottonwood were married Friday, December 10.

Walter Woodrow Wilson and Miss Willie May Gaines of Cross Cut were united in marriage at the Presbyterian manse here Sunday afternoon with Rev. S. P. Collins, pastor, solemnizing the rites.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hansen of El Paso County are the guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Armstrong. The Hansens are enroute home after an extended trip through Europe.

Mrs. Arthur Mitchell, Mrs. J. D. Stroud and Mrs. Jim Settle were joint hostesses when they complimented Mrs. Everett Jones of Baird with a miscellaneous shower at the home of the latter Tuesday afternoon from three until six.

Mrs. Jess Duplap entertained members of the Cross Plains Home Demonstration Club with a Christmas party at her home Wednesday afternoon of last week.

The Dressy Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Fonia Worthy Wednesday afternoon, December 9, in their regular meeting.

John Frank Boland of this place and Miss Pauline Stansbury of Atwell were united in marriage at Putnam Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Melton and baby spent Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Alton Barr of Cross Plains.

A transaction was closed Tuesday in which W. L. Bryan became owner of the R. L. Young Barber Shop on North Main Street.

A deal was closed last week whereby Paul Shanks of Clyde became owner of the Davis Hatchery here.

Mrs. Arthur Flahie received news Sunday of the death of her father, R. Enoch, 88, at his home in Pen-ville, Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Arvin and daughter, Jo Ruth, of Baird and Miss Esther Varner of Clyde were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Varner.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Eager and babies, Misses Virgie and Jeanette Eager and Mrs. Eunice Starr were in Abilene the first of the week.

Members of the Salm Quilt Club met in the home of Mrs. T. T. Nichols Thursday afternoon of last week.

DECEMBER 16, 1927

Monday night the Volunteer Fire Department enjoyed their annual banquet in the basement of the Methodist Church.

C. N. Harris, who has been in the tailor business here for the past six years, has sold his business to J. J. Lawson, of Fort Worth, who has assumed active charge of the business.

The High School Buffaloes have begun training under Coach Murphy, in preparation for basketball season after Christmas.

Monday night this section was visited by rain.

Mr. and Mrs. John McLain and children and Miss Christine Cunningham were Fort Worth visitors the past week end.

Porter J. Davis entered several hens in the egg laying contest at Tarleton College in November, and one of his entrants won second honors by laying 28 eggs during the month.

Mrs. A. G. Crabb visited her

daughter, Mrs. R. T. Bailey, of Comanche, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Scott, and Mrs. Russell McGowan visited relatives at Baird Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Anderson visited in Eastland the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Murphy spent the past week end in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Garrett visited relatives at Spur last week end.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Smith a fine 10 pound girl, Friday, December 9.

CROSS CUT

By Dixie Weiss

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Andrews and children of Comanche visited Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Weiss Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Flowers and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Hill Meadors and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hull of Cross Cut have recently moved to Cross Plains.

Several from Cross Cut attended the Christmas program at the tree in Cross Plains, Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Taber from Bangs visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Meador and family Sunday.

Cowan and Henry have moved a cabletool rig over the Keller No. 1, four-and-one-half miles southeast of Cross Cut and are preparing to sandfracture it.

The Tbx. No. 1 well on the G. W. Pickett set pipe and cemented at the Cross Cut sand.

The well is located three miles southeast of Cross Cut and is producing 250 bbl. of oil per day.

COTTONWOOD

By Hazel I. Respass

Rev. C. R. Myrick was called by the Baptist Church as their pastor here.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Luster and family moved to Abilene Saturday.

E. F. Eudaley and son, Cliff, are moving to the Richard Thompson place.

Mrs. George Fields and daughter and Mrs. Baña and daughter of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Bains Sunday.

Judge and Mrs. Favors and Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Respass of Rising Star visited in the Respass home Sunday night.

Charlie Nesmith of California is visiting friends and relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy J. Clark were in Baird Monday on business.

Wilson's Cafe

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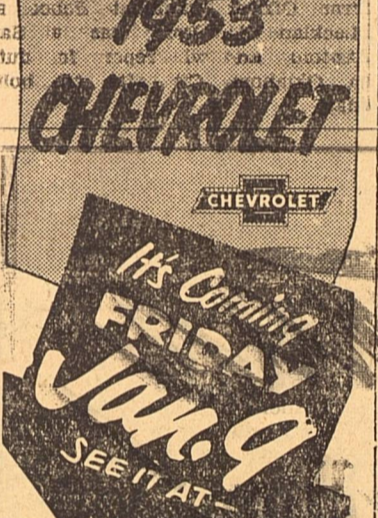
Mr. and Mrs. C. S. McClellan of Baird visited his mother, Mrs. Z. W. McClellan, Sunday afternoon.

Among those visiting in Temple with Lynn Brashear the past week were Mrs. J. L. Bonner, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Park and daughter, Mrs. Gleab Vaughn and son, Elvis Scott, Claude Foster, Hubert and Herrell Kelley, and Blenda Brashear. Mrs. C. M. Mathis of Macon, Georgia, Mrs. Bobbie Nell Purvis of Alvis, Oklahoma and Mr. and Mrs. Arvin Brashear of Abilene were also at the bedside of their brother over the week end.

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FOR SALE: 4½ room house in Edgewood Addition. Frank Rundell. (tfc18)

FOR LEASE: My place at Cottonwood. See Mrs. Verna Mae Ramsey. (tfc35)

LOST at school house (near gymnasium) Friday night: Black suitcase, containing men's clothes; pair work shoes. See Gerald Bowden or leave at Review office, reward. (1tp)

FOR SALE: Jersey milch cow, with young calf. See J. C. Bowden, Burkett, Texas. (1tp)

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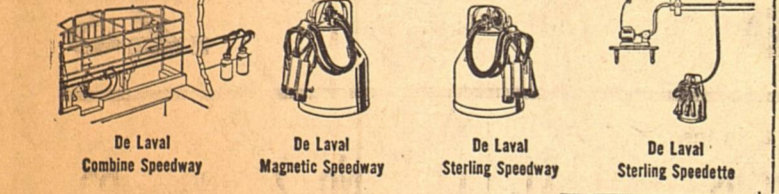
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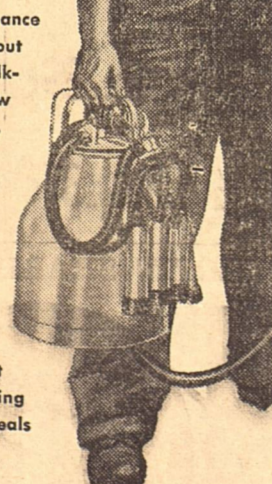
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ROWDEN NEWS

By Velda Crow

Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Farley were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Gibbs and boys.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Stephens and son, Pfc. Weldon Stephens, who has just returned home from Germany, visited Mr. and Mrs. Harold Stephens and Lynn in Abilene Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Crow and Richie and Mrs. Dale Gibbs of Baird had supper with Mr. and Mrs. B. Crow, Thelda and Velda Sunday night.

Many from this community attended the beauty contest at the high school in Cross Plains Friday night.

Misses Pearl Smedley, Marjorie Mauldin, and Thelda and Velda Crow visited Miss Sheila Nichols of Cross Plains Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Smedley and Sharan of Abilene visited with Mr. and Mrs. Odie Smedley and Pearl Sunday.

Mrs. B. Crow, Thelda and Velda visited with Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Cuthbert in Clyde Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Chief Horner and Pat of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Gene Mauldin over the week end.

Veterans ? Box

Q—I am a disabled veteran entitled to a VA grant for the purchase of an automobile. Is there any deadline for applying for my car?

A—Yes. Your application must be filed either by October 20, 1954, or three years after your separation from service, whichever date is later.

Q—Must a veteran's blindness be service-connected, in order for him to get the electronic and mechanical equipment that VA issues to the blinded?

A—Not necessarily. The veteran must be entitled to compensation for a service-connected disability, which may either be loss of sight or some other disability.

Q—I am a Korean veteran. After I got out of service, I changed my name. Would that bar me from getting a GI loan, since all my military and discharge records are made out in the name I no longer use?

A—No. If you are otherwise eligible, you would be entitled to the loan. However, you must submit competent evidence that establishes your identity.

Q—I'm planning to enroll in a trade school under the Korean GI Bill and study carpentry. Most of my course will be shop practice. What is considered full-time in such a course?

A—Full-time in your course would be at least 30 hours a week for at least five days a week, with no more than 2½ hours of rest periods each week.

Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Armstrong and daughter, Julia, of Arp visited his mother, Mrs. W. P. Armstrong, and other relatives here over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Baum visited in Stephenville Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Clements. Mrs. H. L. Harris accompanied them as far as Dublin where she visited relatives.

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Arts and Crafts Club of Cross Cut Have Their Christmas Party Monday

The Arts and Crafts Club of Cross Cut enjoyed their Christmas party Monday at the club room with Mrs. Jack Watkins and Mrs. Ross Newton, of the social committee, in charge of the program. Mrs. Roy Stambaugh gave "Origin of Christmas", followed by a song rendered by Mrs. Jack Watkins and Mrs. Charlie Sowell. Mrs. Ross Newton reviewed the book, "The Other Wise Man". The refreshment table was laid with an imported Irish linen lace cloth, centered with a Christmas arrangement reflected on a mirror. Various Christmas decorations were used throughout the room. Christmas carols were sung during the refreshment hour.

Cranberry punch, open face sandwiches in the shape of Christmas trees and stars, congealed salad and fruit cake topped with whipped cream was served to Mmes. O. B. Byrd, A. Balcum, Elvie Byrd, Les Byrd, Homer Norris, A. L. Mathis, Charlie Sowell, Newt Coley, Sutton, Lewis Newton, Leroy Byrd, Norma Jean Black, Roy Neal Tatum, Ferrell Newton, Pete Golson, O. F. Melton, Jack Watkins, Ross Newton, Roy Stambaugh and Miss Willie Jones.

Gifts were exchanged from the tree from "hidden pals".

Bank Directors And Employees Enjoy Christmas Party

Directors and employees of the Citizens State Bank enjoyed their annual Christmas party Friday evening, December 13. The party was held in the basement of the First Methodist Church.

A turkey dinner with all the trimmings was enjoyed by the 27 persons attending.

Mrs. W. P. Brightwell of Baird gave a very interesting report on her recent trip to the Orient, during the social hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Baker and son of Knapp were dinner guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thompson, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Wright, Mrs. Noah Johnson and Miss Billie Jean Stealy of Abilene took Billy Wright to North Fort Hood Sunday, where he is stationed. Billy had spent the week end here with relatives.

Mrs. Evans Hostess to Presbyterian Ladies At Christmas Party

Mrs. A. C. Evans entertained the Ladies Association of the Presbyterian Church with a Christmas party at the manse Monday, December 15, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

The program was opened with a prayer by Mrs. Evans. Mrs. Tom Bryant gave the devotional and Mrs. Merlin Garrett reviewed the book, "Daughters of Dorcas", by Florence Hayes.

During the social hour Mrs. Evans served sandwiches, olives, pickles, brown bread, cookies, mints and Russian tea. After refreshments nine two-pound boxes of home made candy was packed for our boys in service.

Those present were: Mmes. Tom Bryant, Merlin Garrett, Kate Strahan, Fonia Worthy, Olen Montgomery, L. A. Frazier, Pink Barr, Kate Womack, S. C. Barr, J. G. Sims, Herman Keith, H. E. Coburn, Oran Barr, Edwin Neeb, W. B. Williams and Kay and Charles Barr.

Victory Sunday School Class Enjoys Christmas Social Tuesday Night

The Victory Sunday School Class of the Methodist Church enjoyed a Christmas party in the basement of the church on Thursday night of the past week.

A program of readings and Christmas carols was rendered by members of the class.

After playing games, refreshments were served to Mr. and Mrs. George Neel, Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Riggs, Mr. and Mrs. Will Fortune, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hammett, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Carpenter, Mrs. Sam Swafford, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Yarbrough, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Carnes, Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Riley, Mr. and Mrs. McMillan, Mrs. Norris, Mrs. B. K. Eubank, Mrs. Mack Campbell and Rev. and Mrs. C. Y. Butler.

Each member brought gifts to be placed under the tree and they were exchanged following the social hour. All present reported a good time.

Wayne Freeman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Freeman who reside a few miles west of Cross Plains, has been discharged from military service and is now visiting his parents. Wayne recently returned from Germany where he has been stationed the past two years.

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National Safety Council Sponsors National Christmas Savings Plan

CHICAGO, Dec. 10—The National Safety Council today announced a nationwide Christmas savings plan to stop accidents.

"If every American will join this savings plan before the Christmas holidays, a real yuletide bonus—human life—will be paid," said Ned H. Dearborn, Council president.

The campaign has been joined by more than 160 national organizations, and by city and state public officials and civic leaders. They will unite in creating an awareness of the special holiday hazards, and will enlist voluntary cooperation from every American to hold accidents to a minimum this Christmas.

The year-end holiday season is the most dangerous period of the year, Mr. Dearborn said, and accidents annually mar the celebra-

tion in thousands of homes. Traffic accident deaths on both Christmas eve and Christmas day are about twice as high as the annual daily average.

This year, with the holiday consisting of four days for many persons, the toll could be even higher than the 351 traffic deaths reported during the four-day Christmas week end last year, Mr. Dearborn warned.

"Traffic is especially heavy over long holidays, which encourage traditional family get-togethers even when the members must drive considerable distance," he said. "The festive spirit of the season, plus the normal winter hazards of bad weather, slippery roads and longer periods of darkness create added danger."

For a safe and merry Christmas, the National Safety Council suggests these precautions:

1. Driving or walking, put the Christmas spirit of "good will toward men" into practical use by being extra courteous to others. And take your time!
2. If streets are icy or slippery, keep your speed down and your caution up.
3. If you imbibe Christmas spirit in liquid form, stay away from the steering wheel of a car.
4. Avoid home hazards, too. Don't use candles, be sure tree lights and wiring are in good condition and keep gift wrappings away from the fireplace or other source of heat.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bush of Anson were week end visitors here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bush.

Mrs. W. A. Strickland, Mrs. J. W. Chapman, Mrs. Hattie Norris, Mrs. B. K. Eubank, Mrs. Raymond DeBusk, Mrs. George Wright, Mrs. Lester Barr and Marcell Rich were among those visiting in Abilene Saturday.

Methodist Men's Club to Meet at Church Tonight

Paul Whitton, President of the newly-organized Methodist Men's Club, announced this week that the organization will hold its regular monthly meeting in the basement of the church tonight (Thursday) starting at 7:30, and all men interested in the movement are invited to attend.

Jack Tunnell, program chairman for the night, stated that Preston P. Mangum, a former prominent member of the Legislature from Dallas County and now a practicing lawyer in Rising Star, will be the principal speaker of the evening.

School Lunchroom Menu

The following menus will be served in the school lunch room here Monday and Tuesday of next week:

Monday: Pinto beans, stewed potatoes, turnip greens, pickles, relish, cornbread, jello with fruit and chocolate or plain milk.

Tuesday: Turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes, English peas, cranberry sauce, celery strips, canned peaches, chocolate or plain milk.

Mrs. H. M. Wiginton and Randy, Mrs. Harlon Wiginton and Mrs. J. Ben Hart and Doyle Eager were guests in the G. L. Eager home Sunday.

Mrs. Willie Wood and Mrs. Henry McCoy were Abilene visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Cash of Baird, Rev. and Mrs. R. A. Pape and family of Scranton, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Jones, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Williams and W. M. Palmore of Dublin; Mr. and Mrs. B. I. Marshall, H. A. Chaney, Mrs. Durham and Mrs. Nettie Hickman of Rising Star were visitors in the J. W. Foster home, at Pioneer, during last week. Mrs. Foster, who has been ill for sometime, is improving.

Future Homemakers Corner

Patsy Cumba, Reporter

The second and third year girls are now working on Crafts. They are making aluminum trays, ash trays and coasters. The girls are enjoying it very much.

Later on in the week the classes will start Christmas baking. Here is a receipt they will use. The public may wish to try it.

ICE BOX DATE ROLL

2 1/2 cup graham cracker crumbs. 1/2 lb. marshmallows cut in small pieces.

1 lb. dates (cut fine).

1 1/2 cup nut meats.

1/2 pt. cream (whipped).

Combine the above, reserving 1/2 cup crumbs to roll mixture in.

Roll and place in ice box wrapped in wax paper, approximately one week before using. Makes 15 servings.

Use powdered sugar or flour on scissors to keep from sticking.

Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Riley were in Eden Monday afternoon to attend funeral services for Wayne Price, who was killed in a plane crash near Corsicana Saturday.

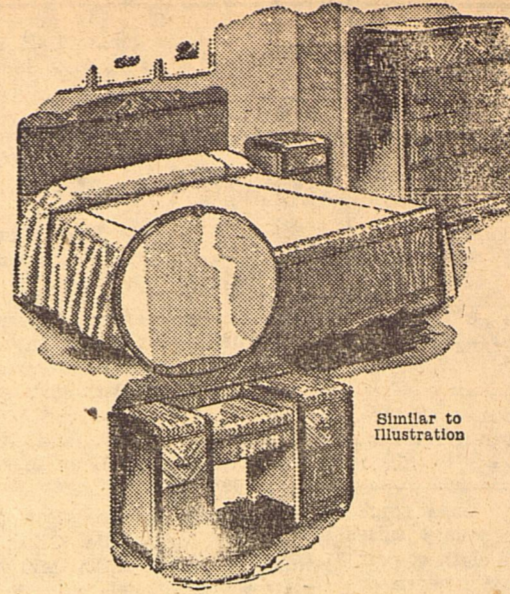
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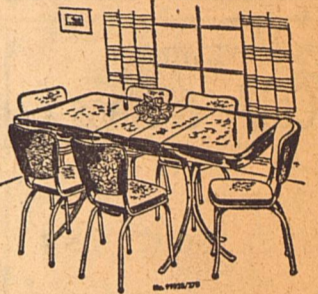
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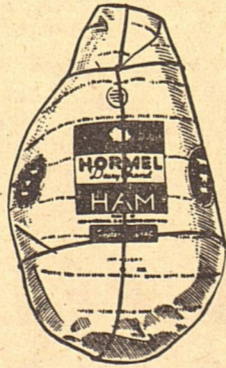
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Hams

WHOLE, SMALL

LB.

63c



Cake Mix

Gladiola (29c bottle vanilla extract free)

.39

Tomato Juice

Libby's, 46 Oz. Can

.33

Pop Corn

Lowman's, No. 2 can

23c

CRANBERRIES, fresh, 1ge. box

39c

CATSUP, Hunt's, 14 oz. bottle

19c

Cocoanut

Baker's, 8 Oz. Pkg.

29c



LARGE,

Fresh From Box

5 Lb. Bag

35c

Cranberry Sauce

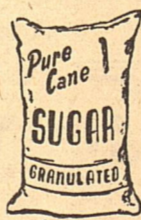
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