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## Legion Will Distribute Candy and Fruit Saturday

Commander C. T. Waller of the American Legion Post announces this week that plans are complete for the Christmas party this Saturday afternoon on the courthouse lawn for the children of Schleicher County.

Mrs. Oliver Teele's school choral groups will give a program at 2:30 to be followed by the appearance of Santa Claus at 3:00. This will be the same Santa who has put Eldorado on the map in previous years for his unselfish services to people over this part of the state.

Santa and his Legionnaire helpers will distribute candy and fruit to children 12 years of age and under.

Already in place on the courthouse lawn is the cedar Christmas tree which the Legion post installed and decorated. This, along with the Nativity tableau set up by the Woman's Club, and the lights on the courthouse and the Memorial Building, create an attractive scene to passers through, as well as to residents of the town and county.

## Hulldale Gas Plant Location Starting To Show More Activity

A visit to the Sinclair gasoline plant location in the Hulldale field this week reveals that equipment and crews are now on the job for welding and pipe-laying and that this phase of the work is now under way.

According to information this newspaper gathered yesterday Shaver & Hailey of Maude, Oklahoma, have contract for construction of the field system—the gathering system of pipe lines that will bring the gas in to the plant.

The other part of the construction work, which is referred to simply as "the plant" was let to Delta Engineering Co., of Houston.

Most of the men who are on the job now are working on the field system, except a sub-contractor from Odessa who is completing two residences and has started foundations on warehouse and offices for the plant. From information gathered yesterday it seems that nearly all of the "field system" men were staying in Christoval or Angelo.

It was reported that work will be halted for about a week for Christmas holidays.

### Calendar of Events

December 15, Thursday, Masqueraders presentation of Christmas Carol, at school.

Friday night, Dec. 16, county-wide Home Demonstration Clubs Christmas supper and party, 7:30 Memorial building, husbands and special guests.

December 17, Saturday, All-County Christmas party, 2:30 p.m. sponsored by Legion.

December 18, Sunday night cantata presented by 1st Baptist choir.

December 20, Tuesday night, awarding of prizes in Lions Club - Junior Woman's Club decoration contest.

Dec. 20, Business Women's dinner and gift exchange, 7:30 p.m., Memorial Building.

Dec. 17, Saturday, Cub Pack meeting.

Dec. 21: Wed., Methodist tree and program.

December 23-Jan. 2, Christmas holidays for school.

December 18, Sunday night, 6:30, Presbyterian pageant.

Wednesday, December 21, Presbyterian tree and Santa's visit. Presbyterian Sunday School, with white Christmas gifts.

### DISCUSS FLOOD CONTROL

W. T. Whitten and Eldon Calk reported at the Lions club yesterday on the meeting they had attended in Ozona on the subject of flood control on the Devil's River watershed. The problem has come in for attention since the disastrous flood at Ozona 17 months ago.

It was reported that chief opposition to flood control measures came from South Texas interests who objected to any impounding of water on the Devil's River watershed.

Others who attended from Schleicher county were Don McCormick, Joe Edens, Forrest Runge, and possibly others.

Boss Lion Whitten discussed the convention set for late next May in Brownsville.

Tom Davis of Sonora was the only guest at the meeting yesterday.

ESTERBROOK FOUNTAIN pens, \$2.50 — Eldorado Success.

### Schleicher County Back On Drouth List

Schleicher County has been reinstated by the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture as a drouth disaster area, according to word received by County Judge Bearce last week.

The message, coming from the State Coordinator, reads as follows: "W. R. Bearce County Judge. Governor Shivers has asked me to tell you that the US Dept. of Agriculture has approved his recommendation and that the USDA state drouth committee that your county be reinstated as a drouth disaster area. Farmers home administration county committees are authorized to accept applications. We hope this will work out to the benefit of the farmers and stockmen in your area. —William L. McGill, State Coordinator."

### Offset Scheduled For County Discovery Well

Ashmun & Hilliard, Ltd., of Midland and Fortune Drilling Corp., of San Angelo will drill a 1/4-mile west offset to their No. 1 Wilbur Brown, opener and lone producer in the O'Harrow (Canyon sand) field of Schleicher County, 14 1/2 miles northeast of Eldorado. It will be the No. 2 R. Wilbur Brown.

The project will be drilled with rotary to 5,000 feet with one of Fortune's rigs which was moved in last week.

Location, on a 320-acre lease, is 660 feet from the south and 1,980 feet from the east lines of 70-H-GH&SA. Elevation is 2,409 feet.

The discovery was finalized in October from the Harkey sand of the Canyon for a daily flowing potential of 187 barrels of 36.9 gravity oil through a 1/4-inch choke and perforations between 4,808-818 feet.

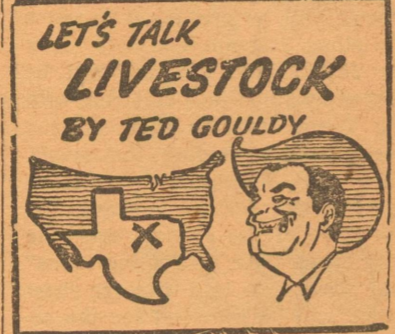
J. B. Montgomery is making satisfactory progress in Hudspeth Memorial Hospital in Sonora where he was taken for treatment following a heart attack Sunday. His children were called and are at his bedside. These are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bailey Montgomery and children of Boerne, Mrs. Billy Edmiston of Kermit and Mrs. David Humphrey of Wausau, Wisconsin.

### Bulls Bring Good Price At Sale Last Monday

Ninety bulls sold at the fifth annual Moore, Allen Lindley sale in San Angelo Monday brought an average of \$571 per head, which is \$60 better than a year ago.

Jess Koy of this county bought a half interest in one bull for \$1500—this was Quality Barb, a two-year-old last month.

Moore Bros. of Eldorado sold three bulls to Kelly for \$750, \$700 and \$700; a bull to B. J. Wilson of Mertzon for \$675; one to E. S. Mayer & Sons of Sonora for \$700; one to H. C. Grafa & Son of San Angelo and Rocksprings for \$700



### Fed Steers Sag Again

Ft. Worth—More than 154,000 cattle and calves and better than 133,000 hogs were reported at the 12 major livestock markets Monday. Fed steers were weak to unevenly lower at all points because of the continued high supplies of meat animals. At Fort Worth fed steers were weak to \$1 lower. A few handyweight fed yearlings were about steady.

Cows and bulls sold about steady with last week's close. Slaughter calves were steady to easier. Stockers were barely steady with light-weights most active. Fleishy feeders cattle were depressed by the continued weakness in fed cattle in the Cornbelt.

Comparative prices: Slaughter steers and yearlings \$1—\$19. Slaughter calves \$9 to \$17.50, few higher; fat cows \$9.50 to \$11; canners and cutters \$6.50 to 9.75. Bulls \$9 to \$13; stocker steer calves \$18 down, and steer yearlings \$17 down. Stocker cows \$8 to \$12.

### Woolled Lambs Weaker

The strange development in the trade by which full woolled lambs sell for less money than shorn lambs with a good pelt credit, was again in evidence Monday at Fort Worth. Woolled lambs topped at \$16 to \$16.50, steady to 50 cents lower, and shorn fat lambs with No. 1 or Fall shorn pelts topped at \$17.50 to \$18. Feeder lambs were weak to 50 cents lower at \$14 to \$15.50. Cull, common and medium lambs sold from \$11 to \$15.50.

Yearling wethers drew \$12 to \$15.50. Old wethers drew \$7 to \$11. Old ewes sold from \$6 to \$7.50. Old bucks sold around \$5.

### Certification

At the meeting last week of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association in Fort Worth we talked with Frank ImMasche (pronounced Im'ashy) who heads up the wool incentive program with the USDA in Washington. He says some changes in the program to take care of the sale of unshorn lambs will be announced April 1.

However, until that time it is a good idea for producers who sell unshorn lambs to be sure and get certification as needed when these lambs go for slaughter. This could amount to as much as \$1 per head or more.

### SCHOOL OPERETTA IS BIG SUCCESS TUESDAY NIGHT

Playing to a full house and a most appreciative audience, the cast of the school operetta, "The Magic Christmas Bell" presented a smooth performance Tuesday night in the school auditorium.

Well coached in their songs and dances, as well as their speaking parts, the children showed the results of hard work in their Tuesday night performance.

Two of the most difficult parts of the operetta deserve special mention: Judy Hext for her piano accompaniments during the entire operetta, and Kenneth Isaacs, who had a speaking part throughout the production.

The costumes added much to the operetta. Mrs. Oliver Teele coached the show.

### TISDALE WELL ABANDONED

The Armour No. 1 Tisdale wildcat, four miles east of Eldorado, was abandoned last weekend as a dry hole.

### IRRIGATION NEWS

## 600 Gallons PM

The Perry Mittel water well, about one mile north of town on the Mertzon highway was producing water last night at a rate of about 600 gallons per minute, after having been treated with 5,000 gallons of acid Tuesday.

The testing crew came on the job Monday and spent all day rigging up. Pumping got under way Tuesday and after a number of hours, production settled down to a modest 128 gallons per minute—far below the expectations of the owner and many other observers. Acid was ordered late Tuesday and was put into the well by 10:00 o'clock that night.

Pumping started again yesterday about 4:00 p.m., and by 6:00 o'clock last night the volume was holding steady at the above figure—600 GPM.

Pumping will continue today (Thursday).

At least 20 cars of visitors were at the well yesterday while pumping was going on.

### Sinclair Completes Another Hulldale Well

The Hulldale (Pennsylvanian) field of Schleicher County has been extended one location north and east with completion of Sinclair Oil & Gas Co. No. 6 Southland Royalty Co., in 54-M-GH&SA, 11 miles northeast of Eldorado.

It was finalized for a daily flowing potential of 203.34 barrels of 39.7 gravity oil, no water, with gas-oil ratio of 518-1. Production was through perforations between 5,622-633 feet in 5 1/2-inch casing cemented at 5,643 feet, the total depth.

Top of pay was picked at 5,618 feet on elevation of 2,218 feet. Pay section was acidized with 500 gallons.

### IRRIGATING OATS

The Clyde Keeneys report this week that they have been irrigating a field of oats and that they continue to have good luck with their well.

Their large earthen water tank which at one time gave some trouble, and which was treated with chemicals to make it waterproof, is now standing with five feet of water in it and holding up in good shape.

## County-Wide H.D. Party Set For Tomorrow Night

### POSTOFFICE TO BE OPEN ALL DAY NEXT TWO SATURDAYS

Postmaster Waller announced today that the post office will remain open all day on Saturday, Dec. 17 and Saturday, Dec. 24th.

As a final reminder of dead lines to get parcels and cards mailed for Xmas delivery Waller stated that all parcels for Texas and nearby states should be mailed before the 17th if delivery is to be expected by Christmas. For the farther away states parcels should be sent Air Parcel Post and Special Delivery. He further stated that for convenience to the public as well as to the post office, mailings should be made during the slack periods of the day—before 10 a. m. and between 1 p. m. and 3:30 p. m., and 5 p. m. to 6 p. m.

The Schleicher County Home Demonstration council announces a Christmas party for all club women, their husbands and guests, tomorrow night starting at 7:00 in the Memorial Building. Plans are for all the home demonstration clubs of the county to participate.

Food will be brought by various club members.

Plans are being made to take care of the interests of all who come. There will be food for all, games for those who like to play, music for those who like to listen, and a quiet corner for those who like to swap tall tales.

Chairmen of the various events want this party to be as far as possible one in which every person can have the kind of fun he or she likes best, the council says.

Mrs. Vida Kreklow, county home demonstration agent, announces the following committees for the event:

#### Decorations

Mrs. Truett Stanford, Mrs. Edgar Sauer, Mrs. Ralph McMillan, Mrs. Jim O'Harrow, Mrs. Hal Whitten, Mrs. P. S. Dudley, Mrs. E. H. Nixon Jr., Mrs. Jess Walston.

#### Games and Entertainment

Mrs. Arch Edmiston, Retha Nell Lloyd, Mrs. Arch Ory, Mrs. Sam Ezell.

#### Foods

Mrs. Sandy Donaldson, Mrs. Hollis McCormick, Louise Kuykendall, Mrs. Carroll aRtliff, Mrs. Jack Etheredge, Mrs. Claude Alexander.

#### Table Setting, Arrangements

Mrs. Clyde Keeney, Mrs. Ruby Dickens, Mrs. Fae Mace, Mrs. W. T. Huber, Mrs. Thomas Baker, Mrs. Bethel Jeffrey, Mrs. Fred Logan.

#### Invitations

Mrs. Grover Lee Johnson.

#### Check-Up

Mrs. Gene Edmiston, Mrs. J. Tom Williams, Mrs. Farris Nixon, Mrs. Lloyd Johnson, Mrs. Milton Faught, Mrs. Lynn Alexander.

There are 135 members in the various home demonstration clubs over the county.

### BASKETBALL

Eden lost to the Eldorado Eagles here Tuesday night 51 to 61 as Curtis Stockton and Ronnie Kerr hit for 24 and 15 respectively for Eldorado.

In the girls' game Eldorado defeated Eden 25-19.

In the junior high game Edison of San Angelo downed Eldorado 31-27.

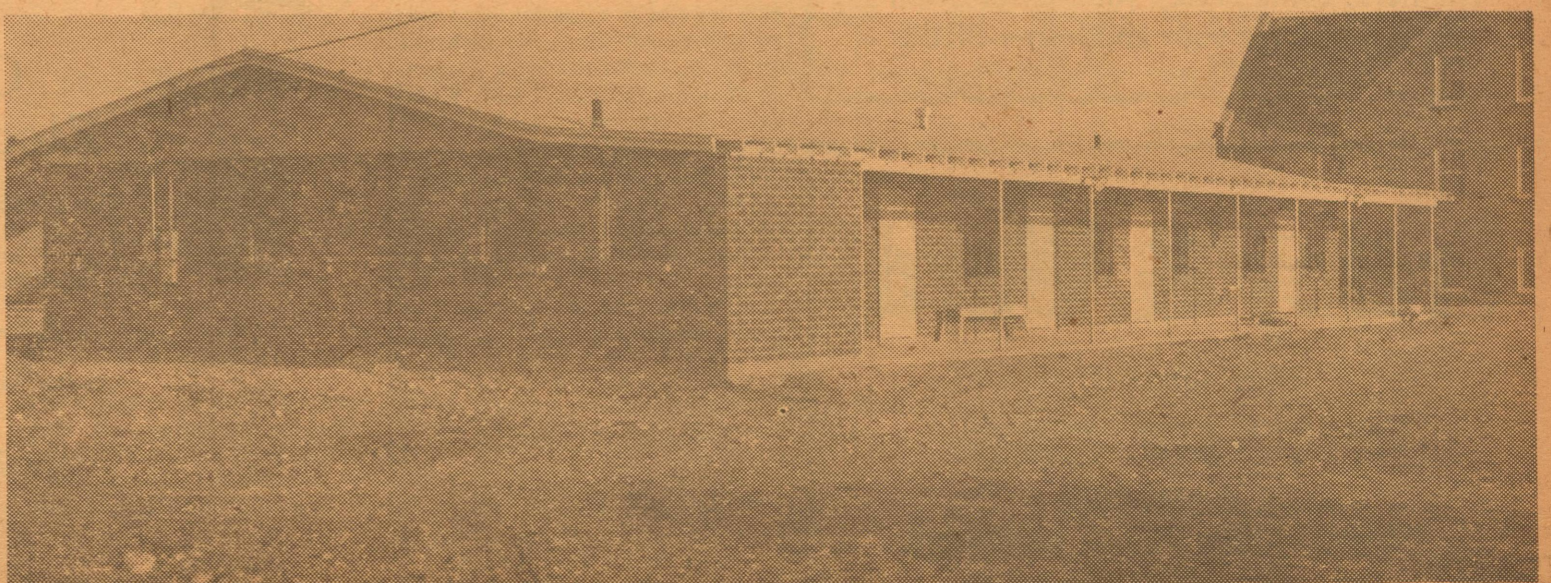
### PHONE US YOUR NEWS

All within reach of this paper are urged to phone, send or bring in their holiday news items so that the news of all families in the county may be covered within the coming two weeks.

While the crew work hard to gather the news, it is not possible to contact everyone in the limited time which elapses between publication dates. Then too some do not have telephones.

So—send in your news and help make the holiday issues the most interesting ones of the year.

Mrs. George Gandy has as a guest her mother who lives in East Texas.



ELDORADO METHODISTS moved their Children's department into the new educational building shown here last weekend, and the new facilities were in use for the first time Sunday. The building has a kitchen and several

classrooms connected by folding partitions which can be opened to form a large social hall. Work day was held Thursday and Friday of last week to move furniture into the building.

**News From Our Neighbors**

**Ranch Woman Honored**

Mrs. Berta Clark Lassiter of Alpine—thanks to her daughter, Mrs. Thelma Adams—has been named winner of the state-wide "Texas Lady" contest and she and her daughter will make a trip to Hollywood later this month.

Mrs. Lassiter, who teaches the first grade in Centennial School here, was nominated for the honor by her daughter in the contest conducted by the San Antonio Express in connection with the preview of a new motion picture, "Texas Lady," starring Claudette Colbert.

Mrs. Adams wrote: "Mrs. Lassiter is an outstanding ranchwoman, school teacher, author and community worker."

"She was raised on a West Texas ranch. She can ride a horse, brand a calf and cook a tempting pot of frijoles." Alpine Avalanche.

**Band Rates High**

The Reagan County High School Band, directed by T. A. Short, took top honors at the regional marching contest last Saturday in Odessa. The band was given first division, superior rating by the three judges who stated that the RCHS band gave the best conceivable performance for the event and the class of participants being judged, and was worthy of the distinction of being recognized as a first place winner. This high rating is comparable to a percentage grade of 95-100. —Big Lake Wildcat.

**Hospital Wing Okayed**

Dr. John R. Harris announced this week that work will begin this week on a new wing of the Bronte Hospital. The wing will be built

on the east side of the present building, making it E-shaped.

Dr. Harris said that the new addition will consist of six or seven patient rooms, a new operating room, nurses and employees lounge and laundry. It will be completely air conditioned. The patient rooms will have new furniture, the operating room will have a new autoclave and will be tiled throughout.

The addition will bring the total number of beds in the local hospital to 21. In an emergency, Dr. Harris said, the number can be increased to 25. —Bronte Enterprise.

**Incorporation Turned Down**

The question of the incorporation of Sanderson was defeated decisively here Saturday. The polls registered 67 for and 300 against the question.

A very heavy percentage of the voting potential was noted by the number of votes cast.

Those opposing the question of incorporation were mainly opposed to the possible tax burden to the property owners of Sanderson at this time and the fear of controls possible under a city government. They were also opinionated by the possibility of increased rents by property owners as a result of increased taxes. Sanderson Times.

**Road Job Scheduled**

Resurfacing of the Llano highway from Art to Mason, and widening it from 22 to 30 feet at an estimated cost of \$131,200 has been authorized by the State Highway Department for 1956. It was announced at Austin that work will begin on this project as soon as final planning is completed. The plans also call for widening the highway inside the Mason city limits to 52 feet. —Mason Co. News.

**Rebuild Pumper House**

Sun Oil Co. has announced that it will rebuild the pumper's house in the Millican camp which was recently destroyed by fire. John Brown and his maintenance crew will be in charge of construction and material is to be furnished by McDonald Lumber Co. The house was occupied by Bob Godwin and family who lost all their household articles and clothing. Friends of the family have been generous in helping them out with gifts of clothing, household articles and cash. —Robert Lee Observer.

**Patrol Station Delayed**

Prospects for the stationing of a Highway Patrol unit in Ozona are dim for anytime within the immediate future because of a shortage of manpower in the Department of Public Safety.

This information was relayed by State Senator Dorsey B. Hardean in the form of a letter written by Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., director of the Department of Public Safety, in response to the Senator's request for such action, sought by local groups for several months. —Ozona Stockman.

**INCOME TAX FORMS MAILED DECEMBER 27**

The 1955 income tax forms and instructions to individual taxpayers will be mailed between December 27 and January 10 from Kansas City, Mr. S. Baker Mallet of the San Angelo office announced today. "Taxpayers should postpone their inquiries regarding these forms until after January 10," he said.

"Taxpayers receiving tax blanks and instructions by mail should not misplace or discard them, but should save them for use in filing their tax returns, since the supply of instruction pamphlets is limited," he added.

A study of the new tax forms shows a few changes which make the return easier to complete. A new tax table for married taxpayers filing jointly eliminates the complicated computation on the return for figuring tax on split incomes.

Farmers who file and pay estimated taxes by the January 15, 1956 deadline may also obtain the forms they require at district and local offices. Most post offices have a supply of tax forms for local residents.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Steen of Abilene spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Bly on McBurnett's Ranch.

The Roy Crider family of Iraan spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Crider's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. McAlpine.

Weekend guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Burk were Mrs. Burk's sister Mrs. J. B. Wicker of Pecos and her son Murray Dean, who remained for a longer visit, and her brother and his wife Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Murray of Richland Springs.

**NEW INFORMATION FOR HOME GARDENERS, FLOWER LOVERS**

College Station. Both outdoor and indoor home gardeners and those who like flowers in the home will find information on the subjects in three recently released Texas Agricultural Extension Service publications.

"Foliage plants for the Home" describes the place of indoor plants in the modern home. Suggestions on plant selection, care and watering are major topics discussed. The number of this publication is MP-134.

"Flower Arranging is Easy" is MP-135 and the publication covers such items as equipment needed by the flower arranger; making cut flowers last longer; basic rules for arranging and design terms for flower arrangements.

"Propagation of Ornamental Plants," B-816, covers the methods and hows of propagating ornamental plants. All three are authored by A. F. DeWerth, head, Department of Floriculture and Landscape Architecture, Texas A&M College System.

The publications may be obtained from the offices of county extension agents or the Agricultural Information Office, College Station, Texas.

**First Baptist News**

**Monday, Dec. 12:**

The WMU met at the church for their monthly Bible Study, at 3:00 p.m., to review the life of Moses. Each month the life of one Old Testament character is studied. A good number were present at the meeting.

**Sunday, Dec. 18:**

Next Sunday will be the day for the offering to be taken for Lottie Moon. This offering is taken each year in Southern Baptist churches for foreign missions, in memory of this missionary who gave her life in Christian service in China.

During the morning service, the Pastor will bring a message to the Deacons of our church, and the service that morning will be in their honor.

Sunday night the choir, under the direction of Lavelle Meckel, will present a Christmas cantata entitled, "The Music of Bethlehem." Everyone is cordially invited to this service, Sunday evening.

**Wednesday, Dec. 21st**

Next Wednesday evening the church will be privileged to see a Christmas Pageant entitled, "Gifts for Jesus." The program will be played by Junior-age children, with the Young People's choir in the background providing the music. Mrs. T. P. Robinson, Jr., will be the Narrator for the Pageant. At the close of the service, everyone will bring their "Gifts for Jesus" and place them in a treasure chest which will be provided for the occasion. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy this program next Wednesday evening at 7:30.

**'Thought For The Week' Ministerial Alliance**

Scripture lesson Rom. 12:10-21.

One of the great accomplishments of the Holy Spirit through Conversion, is to remove the petty and personal selfishness from each person that this Spirit fully enters. It takes the personal pronoun out of us to a great extent and makes us share and see in others the same values that we feel we have ourselves. For an example of completely removed selfish selves, look into the lives of Albert Schweitzer, Kagawa, Grenfell and many others. What these men have done for Africa, Jaapn and Labrador give the true value of a life that has been dedicated to God and for the advancement of His kingdom.

**TAGGED for the 25<sup>th</sup>**

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- ADORABLE: 17 Jewels Expansion Bracelet \$59<sup>50</sup>
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- JULIANA: 17 Jewels 2 Diamonds 14K Gold \$95<sup>00</sup>

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**John Stigler--Jeweler**

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Higgins and son Cliffie left Sunday for their home at Oklahoma City after visiting Mr. Higgins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Higgins.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Townsend spent the week end in San Angelo where they were met by Mr. and Mrs. Coy Locke, Mrs. Townsend's brother and sister-in-law.



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**Supper, Official Visit Of Diocesan Bishop At McKavett Church**

A Sunday evening supper and attendance at church services at St. James Episcopal Church at Ft. McKavett marked the official visit of the bishop on Sunday; the priest made his official call on the McKavett Church and conducted confirmation services for a class of eight at the Episcopal Church in Menard.

The bishop of the San Antonio diocese, the Rev. Edward H. Jones, and his wife, were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. O. Wilson at their ranch home. They left for home Monday morning.

The buffet supper was served indoors at the ranch house, to the pastor and his wife, the congregation, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Martin of San Angelo and the Forrest Runge family of Schleicher County.

**JR. WOMAN'S CLUB**

Twelve members of the Junior Woman's Club met Thursday at the Memorial Building with Mrs. Fred Case and Mrs. Dan McWhorter as hostesses.

Mrs. Glenn Parker was in charge of the program.

The club room was decorated by the hostesses with the Christmas theme including candles and Christmas colors.

The Christmas party of the club is scheduled for tonight.

**PHILLIPS ON ALL-G.C.C.**

John Phillips, tackle of Abilene Christian College, was chosen as a member of the all-Gulf Coast Conference football team, according to an announcement released at Dallas by the conference faculty committee last Saturday.

The team was chosen by coaches of member schools. John is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Phillips of Eldorado.

Mrs. Leslie Baker and Mr. and Mrs. A. G. McCormack went to Dallas, where A. G. had his regular medical check-up.

Mrs. Louis Tisdale of Menard has been a guest in the home of Mrs. Virge Tisdale.

Terry Johnston of Buffalo Gap has been a guest in the home of his sister, Mrs. Turnbow.

The Russell Turnbows of Barnhart spent Sunday with Russell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Turnbow.

Guests in the home of the O. L. Woodwards from Friday to Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Penny Cantrell, who are 81 years old. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Pat McAlpine and children of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Page and son Bob spent the day Sunday at Sterling City with friends.

**Presbyterian News**

**Sunday**

Sunday School ..... 9:45  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00  
Pioneer Fellowship ..... 4:30  
Senior Hi Fellowship ..... 5:30  
Evening Worship ..... 6:30

**Wednesday**

Crusaders ..... 4:00  
Choir Rehearsal ..... 4:00  
Christmas Tree for the whole  
Sunday School—Santa ..... 6:30

This Sunday night there will be a pageant, "The Prince of Peace" by Mary Poole. The scene is a large book so that when the pages are turned the prophets appear in life as portrayed by a cast mainly of adults in the church. It is the Christmas story from the time Christ's coming was foretold until his actual coming. This program has been moved up 30 minutes making the time 6:30. Mrs. Walter Warren is the director.

On Wednesday night there will be the annual Sunday School Christmas Tree and the coming of Santa Claus. There will be a sort of local talent program while we gather around the tree and wait for Santa to arrive. All the attendants will bring something wrapped in white for some needy family or families. This, we call our White Christmas, an act of playing Santa Claus to those who are in need.

On Sunday the 25th, Christmas Day, there will be a special Children's Service at the 11:00 service. Adults are urged to come and bring their children. Sunday School will not dismiss but all will come directly into the sanctuary at 11:00.

**TABLES HERE**

The card tables that the Dora Lee circle sold ads for have arrived and are now in the Memorial building, circle members announce.

**"42" CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The Merry-makers "42" Club held their annual Christmas party Thursday in the Memorial Building. There were three tables of players, including one guest Miss John Alexander.

There was a luncheon at noon and gift exchange from the Christmas tree.

J. W. Davis of Austin was an over-night visitor in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Davis.

Mrs. Frank Bradley and Mrs. Elizabeth Ballew drove to Brownwood Saturday and took Becky McAngus and Ann Ballew to the district Presbyterian Youth meet.

**Personal News Items**

The Paul Phillips family spent the day Sunday at Tankersley and were joined there by Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hare of San Angelo.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Sauer Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. John Faught of Mertzon. The women are sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Carroll of Ozona spent the day Sunday with local relatives.

Mrs. Jerry Jones of Sonora spent the day Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Houston Thigpen.

The Wiley Hight family visited Saturday and Sunday in San Antonio with relatives and called on Mrs. Elton McGinnes and baby Robbie at the hospital.

The Granville Kerrs of San Antonio will arrive here Saturday, to take Granville's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Kerr, back home with them for a week's visit.

Guests during the weekend in the Archie Mittel home were Mr. and Mrs. John Donham of San Angelo, and their daughter Judy.

Guests of Dr. and Mrs. Jack I. Mowrey during the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Orval Massey of Fort Worth.

Members of a hunting party at Camp Wood during the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McDonald and grandson Dwight McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn McDonald, Joe Ed Spencer, and S. E. Etheredge.

Mrs. A. R. Parker is doing as well as can be expected after her recent surgery. Her stay in the hospital in San Angelo is indefinite.



J. FORREST RUNGE ..... CHAIRMAN, CHRISTOVAL  
E. E. FOSTER ..... SECRETARY, KNICKERBOCKER  
B. E. MOORE ..... MEMBER, ELDORADO  
FORD BOULWARE ..... MEMBER, CHRISTOVAL  
BEN HEXT ..... MEMBER, ELDORADO

A range field tour will be held at the Ed Willoughby ranch eight miles south of Eldorado Saturday December 17th. The tour under the sponsorship of the Texas Section of the American Society of Range Management, will get under way at 9:00 a.m.

Sponsors feel visitors will be impressed by the range improvement Mr. Willoughby has been getting under a conservation range management program.

The American Society of Range Management is composed of pro-

fessional range conservation and management personnel, ranchmen and others interested in range management. This group will have their annual meeting in Sonora Friday December 16th. Registration is at 1:00 p.m. Friday, December 16th. This will be followed by a short field trip with a banquet and meeting later in the evening.

All ranchers and others who are interested in range management are invited to attend. An interesting program on range recovery is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Bounds moved this week to San Angelo where their new address will be 23 East Highland. He is engaged in oil field trucking for various mud companies.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Edens and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sproul were among those from here attending the funeral of an aged cousin, R. A. Sproul, at Kerrville Sunday.

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Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Stearns and son and daughter of Corpus Christi are spending their week's vacation with Mr. Stearn's parents, Rev. and Mrs. M. C. Stearns, at the Methodist parsonage.

Mr. and Mrs. George Long were called to Quanah because of the death of an aunt of Mrs. Long's. They received the message Monday night and left for Quanah Tuesday morning.

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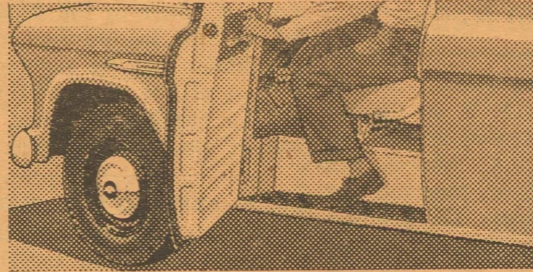
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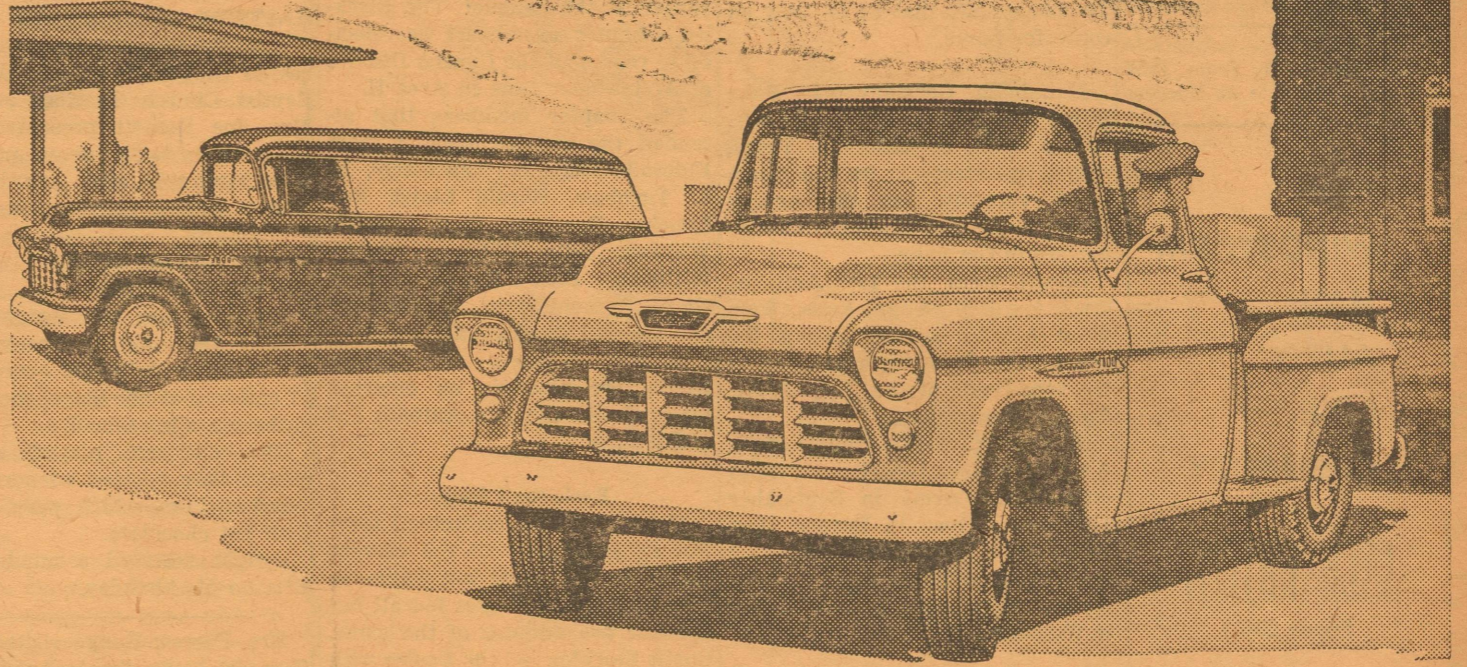
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## Christmas Decorations Featured At Party For Wednesday Club

Mrs. Sam Oglesby was hostess to the Wednesday Bridge club with a luncheon, Christmas party and afternoon of bridge on Wednesday.

Tiny Christmas trees, with a gift for each player, centered the quarter tables, and a large tree of pink net flanked with smaller trees, decorated the mantel. Place cards carried out the Christmas theme.

The games of bridge followed the turkey luncheon. Mrs. Dick Bearce won high, Mrs. P. F. Case low, Mrs. C. C. McLaughlin and Mrs. Elizabeth Powell bingo, and Mrs. Jimmie West, Mrs. Joe M. Christian, Mrs. R. J. Page and Mrs. Jim William cut.

**COMMITTEE MEETING TODAY**  
Members of the Troop Committee of Boy Scout Troop 18 were to meet this morning at 7:30 to make further plans for reregistering the unit. Meeting with the committee was Jerry Starkey, Scout executive.

**ATTENDS ANGELO WORK SHOP**  
Mrs. Vida Kreklow, Schleicher County Home Demonstration agent, attended a clothing work shop at San Angelo college last week. It was conducted by Miss Nena Robertson and Miss Madeline Russell, clothing specialists of A&M. Agents from 14 surrounding counties were in attendance.

### New Babies

Born, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lloyd, Friday evening in a hospital in San Angelo. He weighed seven pounds and six ounces at birth and has been named Roy Gene. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Powell and Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Lloyd of this county. Paternal greats are Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hoffman of Paint Rock, and a great great is Mrs. Rex Morton of Big Spring.

Mrs. Lillian Crosby left today, Thursday, for San Antonio where she was to take a plane for Westover, Massachusetts, where she will spend the holidays with her daughter Kathleen, Mrs. Gene St. Clair and family.

### The Military

Clyde Bauguess Jr. of Treasure Island, California, is at home on furlough, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bauguess and other relatives here. After his two weeks' furlough, Clyde Jr. will be assigned to Long Beach, California. He has been in the Marines over two weeks.

He was accompanied to Eldorado by a friend from Los Angeles.

Thad Thomson, III, a first lieutenant who has been in service nearly three years, is expected home by Christmas Day. He has spent all of his period of service except six months in the Orient, mainly in Korea and Hawaii. His parents, Captain and Mrs. Thad Thomson, state that he is now en route for home.

Mannheim, Germany. Pfc. Bobo Gunn, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Buster Gunn of Eldorado, Texas, played quarterback on the team which recently won the Army's Western League football championship in Germany.

Gunn's team, the 1st Anti-Aircraft Artillery Group, Rams, compiled a 9-2-1 record during the season. The Rams were defeated in the semi-finals of the U. S. Army, Europe tournament.

A member of the group's 357th AAA Operations Detachment, Gunn entered the Army in September 1954 and arrived in Europe last March from Fort Bliss, Texas.

He attended Texas A&M College. Gunn's wife, Laverne, is with him in Germany.

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## Dickens' Play Presented By Masqueraders Tonight At School

Residents of Schleicher County are urged to remember that the Masqueraders of Eldorado High School will present the old favorite, "Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens, tonight, Thursday, beginning at 7:15.

The play will be presented by the drama club in three acts, with stage settings and costumes reminiscent of the period of 19th century London. The cast have been at work on this play for some time, with Mrs. Wynne as coach, and a finished production is promised. The public is urged to attend. There will be an admission price of 25 and 50 cents, to help defray costs of costumes.

## NIXON CLASS PARTY HELD AT CALES HOME

The Nixon Class of the First Baptist Church held a social at the home of Mrs. George Cales Wednesday. The group gathered in the late morning and were served a Christmas dinner, featuring chicken and dressing and other foods, at noon.

Mrs. Allen Kuykendall read the devotional. Present were Mrs. J. C. Hancock and little daughter, guests and Mrs. Kuykendall, Mrs. Leslie Galbreath, Mrs. Perry Mittel, Mrs. C. C. Henderson, Mrs. Jess Thompson, and Mrs. L. M. Hill, president, members; and Mrs. Will Whitten, Mrs. George Cales and Mrs. Ben Biggs, associate members.

The group exchanged gifts, and then packed a box for the Rev. and Mrs. Darwin Welsh, former pastor, now of Artesia, Colorado.

## METHODIST WSCS HOLDS CHRISTMAS PARTY WED.

The WSCS of the Methodist Church held their annual Christmas party at the church Wednesday afternoon beginning at 3:00.

The table was decorated with a tree from which gifts were exchanged. The group sang Christmas carols, and Mrs. Albert McGinnes read the Christmas Scripture. Mary Ann Page and Kay Peters played a piano duet, "Jingle Bells" and Mary Lynn McGinnes sang "Christmas Star." Mrs. Jim Martin read the Christmas story.

Coffee and tea were served with decorated Christmas cookies.

## TAKEN INTO O.E.S.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Lee Johnson were initiated into the Order of the Eastern Star at the regular meeting of the chapter Monday night.

## School News

### Vo-Ag News

The Eldorado F. F. A. Chapter was well represented at the Concho District F.F.A. Awards banquet in San Angelo Monday, Dec. 12. Attending were 13 members, the chapter sweetheart, Burnell Doyle, and guests Ann Alexander, Supt. Holcomb, Principal Andrews and Oliver Burk the FFA chapter advisor.

The district sweetheart was chosen at the banquet. The Blackwell chapter sweetheart was elected to represent the Concho District at Alpine next June in Area II.

The chapter members that attended the district banquet from Eldorado were Herman Early, H. L. Turnbow, Harold Lloyd, Rex Enochs, Domingo Pina, Jimmie Whitten, Billy Williams, Bobby Williams, Dick Runge, Ernest Nimitz, Donald Parks, Joe Stanford and Sherrill Dannheim.

Jimmie Whitten and Ernest Nimitz are planning on entering fat lambs in the San Antonio Fat Stock Show.

### Basketball News

The high school basketball team lost its first game of the current season to Christoval last Thursday night 52-48. The Eagles led all but the last two minutes of the game. Curtis Stockton led the Eagles with 19 points, David Kuykendall hit 16.

This week-end the Eagles will enter the Brady tournament. Their first game will be with Menard at 4:15 p. m., Friday. If they win, the next game will be with the winner of the Brady-Mason game at 2:45 Saturday. Also if they lose they will play either Brady or Mason at 10:45 a. m. Saturday.

Eldorado Junior Hi lost a close game to Mertzon Monday by 34 to 31. The scoring was started when Bellman of Eldorado shot at the wrong basket, making 2 points for Mertzon. The Eldorado team was paced by Robledo with 14 points. Bellman collected 11. Walter Donaldson 2, and Donnie Smith made 4. B. Tankersly led the Mertzon attack with 9.

## WOMAN'S CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY HELD ON TUESDAY

Mrs. Edwin Jackson was leader at the regular meeting and Christmas party held by the Woman's Club of Eldorado Tuesday afternoon at the Presbyterian Church. Present for the occasion were about 45 members and guests.

During the business session the president, Mrs. Ernest Nimitz, appointed a nominating committee, composed of Mrs. Edgar Spencer, Mrs. Keno Ogden, and Mrs. Bob Page.

The president extended the thanks of the club to the beautification committee, of which Mrs. Carl Stevens is chairman, for the excellent work done by that group. A scroll from the General Federation was passed around for signatures — the club having done enough in safety education to be accorded that privilege; several such projects have been carried out this year, with Mrs. Palmer West is chairman.

Gifts for patients at McKnight's Hospital were placed under the tree as a welfare project of the club.

The program subject of "Christmas in Other Lands" was carried out under direction of Mrs. Archie Mittel. She read the origin of Christmas symbols, and children portrayed the customs of other countries: Norway, England, Holland, Switzerland, Sweden and France. Mrs. James Page was at the organ.

The entire group sang Silent Night. The Christmas motif was carried out in the table decorations, with the social committee, Mrs. Pete Ringle, Mrs. Jess Walston and Mrs. Bob Page, in charge.

During the tea hour, Mrs. Forrest Runge displayed her hobby collection of creches, and gave a talk on the creche and its symbolism.

The program yearbook quotation set the mood for the Christmas party: "May you have the gladness of Christmas which is hope, the spirit of Christmas, which is peace, the heart of Christmas which is love."

Mrs. Nimitz closed the meeting with Christmas greetings, and the club collect concluded the program.

## WORKING GIRLS PLAN CHRISTMAS DINNER THE 20TH

An event of the holiday season which was announced only recently is a dinner for the working girls of the city on the evening of the 20th in the Memorial Building.

This banquet will be strictly for ladies only, and any who plan to attend are asked to make reservations at either of the drug stores by the 15th, so that the serving of the dinner may be planned for.

Each of the girls will bring a gift for the gift exchange. Dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m.

## PACK MEETING IS SATURDAY

The Cub pack meeting scheduled to have been held tonight has been postponed to Saturday, the 17th, beginning at 7:30, announces Cubmaster Dick Preston. A good turnout is expected.

## EASTSIDE W.M.U. MEETS

Mrs. Houston Thigpen was hostess to the W.M.U. of the Eastside Baptist Church Tuesday evening. Mrs. Joe Dossett presented the Bible lesson to the seven members who attended, after which the hostess served refreshments.

## DWIGHT IS HONORED ON HIS BIRTHDAY

Honoring her son Dwight, who was 10 years old on December 1, Mrs. Gordon McDonald entertained 11 children at her home, the group gathering after school.

The children played several games, then roasted wieners and marshmallows, which were served with hot chocolate.

Dwight received a number of gifts on his birthday.

Mrs. Forrest Runge visited from Thursday to Sunday in Austin with her daughter Mae and Mrs. G. K. Eisler and family. She and several others visited a cousin on a ranch near Kyle. Mrs. Runge also attended a meeting of the Audubon Society, at which slides of wild life and birds in Mexico were shown.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Farris and daughter of T Half Circle Ranch visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Donaldson.

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## Farmers Expected To Continue To Spend For Electric Aids

College Station. An estimated \$24 billion will be spent by farmers of the nation for electrical appliances and equipment during the period from 1956-1975. This amounts to an average of \$5,300 per farm.

The estimates are from a rural market study just completed by the Rural Electrification Administration and contains estimates for the total number of U. S. farms whether served by REA borrowers or other utilities.

Purchases during the next five years are expected to amount to about \$5.3 billion and for the following 10 years to around \$11.3 billion. The study is based on previous estimates that the power requirements of REA financed systems will nearly double by 1965 and triple by 1975. It also assumes there will be no drastic changes in income, prices and technology and that the number of farms based on census definitions will decline by 15% during the next 20 years.

Expenditures for 27 items are estimated in the study. Lights and house wiring will be the best sellers. Refrigerators are second; television receivers third; washing machines fourth and in order are plumbing and related facilities, home freezers and electric ranges. In the farm equipment group,

milk coolers and water pumps are expected to be the top sellers. Milking machines, drill presses, fractional horsepower motors, livestock watering equipment, power saws, feed grinders, chicken brooders, tool grinders and dairy water heaters follow in order.

Texas farmers, during the 1956-60 period, are expected to spend about \$179 million for electrical appliances and equipment and for the 1961-65 period about \$204 millions. California is expected to be the top market for appliances and equipment and sales for the next five years are estimated at \$297 millions.

This expansion is more evidence of how farmers are using electricity to cut production costs and make their efforts more efficient and life more enjoyable.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moore (Maxine Yardley) have moved back to Eldorado and Moore is employed in the oil fields.

The Edwin Childers family visited Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Childers at Rochelle Sunday.

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#### Burning Gin Trash Wasteful In Many Ways, Says Ag Man

College Station. There is a simple and practical answer to the fire problem which confronts cotton ginners and farmers during every harvest season. A majority of the destructive fires originate from sparks blown from bur burners or bur pits, says F. C. Elliott, extension cotton work specialist, eliminate these hazards and the problem is pretty well whiped, he says.

He strongly recommends that cotton burs be returned to the land. Each ton of gin waste contains about \$7 worth of plant food to say nothing of its value for adding needed organic matter to the soil. This organic matter greatly increases the water holding capacity of the soil and helps make it more drought resistant.

Elliott says that tests conducted on the Spur Experiment Station last year showed that moisture penetrated to a depth of 29 inches on land which had received an application of four tons of burs an acre the year before against a penetration of 15 inches on soil which received no treatment. Water stored in the soil, he adds, is mighty good insurance against a crop failure.

Getting the burs from the gin to the farm he recognizes as a problem but he's got an answer for this one too. Plans for a truck bed distributor for gin trash is available without cost through the county agent's office and Elliott says the distributor has done a top job for many Texas ginners. A new truck and distributor cost less than half of the normal expenditure for a bur burner.

Elliott says he has watched one farm where burs were applied five years ago and today the difference in plant growth can be noted between the treated and untreated areas. Production likewise has been effected during the five year period. Elliott says demonstrations have proved that a jump of 10% in yield can be expected the first year after burs are applied to the soil.

For the sake of the soil and to save needless waste of property, the specialist advises all parties concerned to get the materials back on the land.

#### DORA LEE CIRCLE

There were nine present when the Dora Lee Circle met last week with Mrs. Roger Luckenback presiding. It was agreed that a sweet sale will be held at a later date.

The study course for the circle starts on the 3rd Monday in January and will continue for six consecutive Mondays and will be open to all women of the church. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Dick Preston.

After PTA meeting Tuesday night, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Jackson drove to Bertram to spend several days with Mrs. Jackson's mother, who is ill at the hospital there.

#### Value of Deferred Grazing Demonstrated

College Station. Ranchmen in widely separated areas of the state are selling themselves on the value of resting a part of their range land each year.

Travis King, Jim Hogg county agent, reports that Paul Neth has found that it is more important to rest a pasture after a good rain has been received than during a period of drouth. Neth had a lightly stocked trap pasture on his ranch and when the drouth commenced to get tough, he put all of his cattle in the trap for easy feeding. After a good rain, he moved the cattle and found that the key native grasses, tanglehead, blue grama and others had really come back.

S. L. Mullins, Menard county agent, reports that range deferment was a very popular practice in his county this year. About 21% of the county's range was deferred and noticeable improvement in desirable range cover is noted. He says there are only about one-third as many cattle and half as many sheep in the county as there was five years ago. The results from resting the rangeland has sold many operators on deferred grazing, says Mullins.

Taylor County Agent H. C. Stanley, Jr., reports that a section of range land on the C. M. Webb Ranch was completely deferred during this year and the results are classed as excellent. The grass growth ranged from knee to waist high and produced a wonderful seed crop. And said Stanley, "It is the good grasses which predominate such as side oats grama, little bluestem, Indiangrass and green sprangletop."

#### Pecan Huller And Separator Developed

College Station. Members of the Department of Horticulture of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station have developed a pecan huller and separator which effectively removes any adhering husks, and separates pecans from other materials.

The combination pecan separator and huller can be operated satisfactorily by two men. Tests with the machine in 1954 in harvesting Success pecans showed that under favorable conditions two men could easily clean 500 pounds of pecans per hour.

The machine is of simple design and easy to construct. It is mounted on wheels and can be pulled by tractor from tree to tree. The original model was designed for operation at a farm headquarters, but the task of loading and hauling the trash mixed with the pecans proved too burdensome and time-consuming.

Detailed information of the machine and its operation, may be obtained by asking for Miscellaneous Publication 137, through the office of the local county agent.

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#### Broomweed Can Cause Weak Premature Calves

College Station. Weak premature calves and retained placentas in beef cows have been experimentally produced by feeding a species of perennial broomweed. These results were obtained in feeding trials conducted during the past three years, at Marfa and Seminole.

The trials were conducted by Dr. J. W. Dollahite, associate veterinarian and M. V. Anthony, assistant range specialist, of the Animal Disease Laboratory of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Marfa. Assisting with the studies were station staff members and Gaines County Agent L. H. McElroy. The Gaines County Commissioners provided the Station with a grant-in-aid for \$5,000 to support the work and ranchmen in Gaines and other counties cooperated.

Broomweed is found from the timber belt of Texas westward to Arizona, north to Idaho and south into Mexico. It is also commonly known as turpentineweed, slinkweed and threadleaf broomweed. The research workers say that broomweed will cause premature weak calves and retained placentas when in the toxic stage. The quantity of a plant a cow must consume to produce symptoms varies widely in different years, in different seasons of the year and on different soil types. The cause of these variations has not been determined nor the toxic principle of the plant established.

In the trials 23 cows were fed broomweed. Thirteen delivered normal calves while 10 cows produced premature weak calves, weighing from 30 to 45 pounds. Nine cows passed their placentas normally and 14 retained their placentas for 3 to 10 days after calving.

A survey of grazing habits of cows at the time of outbreaks has always shown them to be grazing broomweed. Losses may occur at any time but the heaviest come in the period from December to April. In the Gaines county area, losses occur almost every year and in affected herds, 10 to 60% of the calves will be weak and premature. Some calves will survive if properly cared for while others are born dead and most die before they are 48 hours old. The research workers have not produced experimentally abortions in the early stages of pregnancy.

#### High Plains Irrigation Farmers Own 1,800-Mile Water Pipe Line

College Station. Irrigation farmers in the High Plains area of Texas are doing something about conserving water and making its use more efficient. The result is better crops.

According to a report just released by Extension Irrigation Engineer R. V. Thurmond, farmers in the Plains area have installed, since 1948, a total of 9,618,062 feet of concrete pipe on their farms and ranches. Putting it another way, Thurmond says this pipe, if placed in one continuous line, would make one whale of a project. It would extend for 1,822 miles and would range in size from 12 to 18 inches in diameter. Quite an engineering feat is his way of describing the work done.

Thurmond says it's a demonstration which shows that farmers are doing something on their own to conserve and get the most efficient use from the water pumped for irrigation system means the elimination of water losses from ditch seepage and evaporation. Evaporation losses alone in the area range from 70 to 80 inches annually. It does away with the weed problem on ditches; macks for easier and

more complete cultivation of all areas; permits tying together two or more wells which cuts labor costs and of major importance, it permits better water distribution over the entire farm.

The engineer says four commercial companies are doing the work and are to be complimented on the thorough job which they have done. They overlook no details in planning and installing the system for the farmer.

The first system was installed in 1948 and by January 1954, 4,391,218 feet of underground concrete pipe were in use. Since 1954, approximately 1,000 additional miles of installations have been made. It is expensive, says Thurmond, but its lasting qualities are very good and the savings in water, labor and better water distribution make it a paying proposition.

#### Methodist News

The night of the 21st has been selected by the Methodist Sunday School for their Christmas program and tree, according to announcement made by the Commission on Education, which is in general charge of the event.

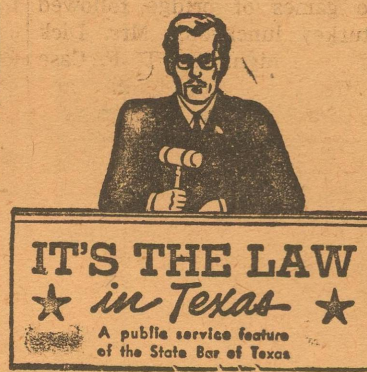
Teachers of the children's division are making plans for the program, which will start at 7:00. There will be Santa's visit following the program.

Regular services are planned for next Sunday and Christmas Day, according to announcement made by the pastor.

The new educational building of the Methodist Church was used for the first time Sunday morning. Attendance was good in spite of the cold weather.

Weekend guests in the C. N. Bly home were Roy Sipes of San Angelo and Sonny Noelke of Mertzon.

Mrs. Emma O'Harrow of Plainview has been visiting Mrs. Grace O'Harrow.



#### Law Not An Exact Science

Many people have the impression that a lawyer can tell them with finality what the law is in any and every fact situation. Few realize that in many instances the lawyer, like the doctor, can only give his expert opinion on the state of the law as applied to a particular set of facts.

There are some fact situations, which arise repeatedly, where the law is well settled, and the lawyer can state with considerable conviction that the exact rule of law applicable.

However, in many situations, the lawyer, after studying the statutes and the court decisions that are applicable, can only give his best judgment as to what a court would hold the law to be as applied to the particular set of facts presented to him.

How does a lawyer learn to advise clients on legal questions? First, he must have six or seven years of academic education. In Texas this means at least three years of college work and three years in a recognized law school. Because the community at large has an interest in the qualifications and conduct of members of the bar, these minimum educational requirements must be met before examination for admission to the bar may be taken.

During the three years of formal legal education, the law student attempts to read, digest, reconcile and understand from 10,000 to 20,000 separate cases, statutes, and monographs. He must draw

from these an understanding of basic legal principles, of processes of legal reasoning, of methods of fact and legal investigation, and of court procedures which bring relief to clients.

In both counselling and litigation, a lawyer must draw upon a wealth of precedent which he has attempted to store in his memory in order to apply one or more principles of law to the fact situation presented by his client. Ordinarily, many legal principles and rules of statute or decision are involved in even the simplest situation. Too, the problems raised by various clients, like fingerprints, are never exactly the same.

After searching his memory, the lawyer will usually check the pertinent rules and precedents. These are found in an ever-increasing volume of statutes with which modern legislation seeks to regulate many aspects of our life, and in the decisions of the courts, boards and bureaus.

Almost every problem presented to a lawyer requires research in statutes and law books before a proper answer can be given.

Therefore, you will not receive an immediate answer to your problem from your lawyer, unless it is of the most elemental type. Your lawyer should, and you should give him time to, form his opinions from the authoritative statutes and decisions. You should also understand that, due to the constant fluctuations in our laws, he will sometimes be able to give you only an informed opinion, rather than an absolute statement of the law applicable to your situation.

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

Guests of the Russell Sallee family were Mr. Sallee's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Sallee of Brady.



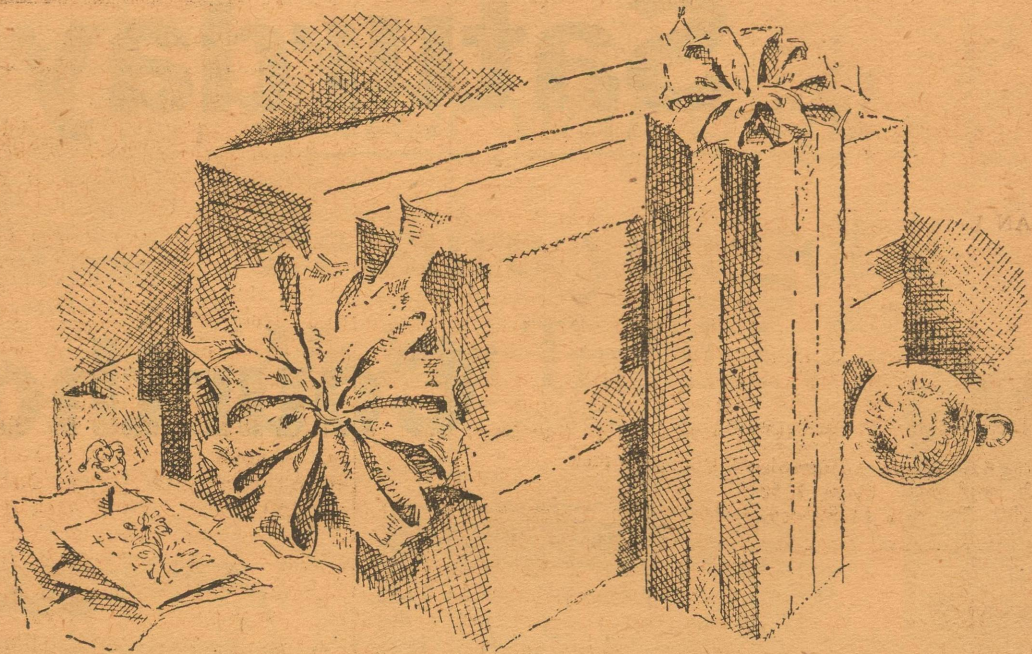
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**BRIDE HONORED WITH SHOWER SATURDAY P.M.**

Honoring Mrs. Jerry Jones, the former Bessie Gerral Thigpen, a group entertained on Saturday the 10th, from 3:00 to 5:00 at the Memorial Building, with a miscellaneous shower.

The Christmas colors of red and green were carried out in room decorations and table appointments. Pot plants decorated the reception room. The table was laid with a red cloth, overlaid with white lace, and was centered with a Christmas tree on a reflector, and a Santa and reindeer. Chocolate and cake was served.

Hostesses were Mrs. C. O. Neff, Mrs. Sam Carrell, Mrs. Laymon Hazelwood, Mrs. Vernon Hazelwood, Mrs. Sam Gausemeier, Mrs. Albert Thigpen, Mrs. L. B. Kersey, Mrs. Delbert Taylor, Mrs. E. T. Turnbow, Mrs. Joe Dossett, Mrs. Paul Phillips, Mrs. J. R. Trentham, Mrs. Marvin McDonald, and Mrs. Anna Beth Hoelscher.

Miss Joan Trentham presided at the register. Patsy Kellogg and Jessie Trentham served the first hour, and Barbara Spencer and Gaynell Belk the second. A trio, composed of Barbara Spencer, Gaynell Belk and Becky Mund, sang.

Among those present from out of town were Mrs. Ollie Young and daughter of San Angelo, and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Gausemeier of San Angelo.

**COOPER H. D. CLUB MEETS**

The Cooper Gas H. D. Club met Dec. 7 at 2 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Clark for the club's Christmas party. After a short business meeting the group enjoyed playing Christmas games and music and exchanged gifts. Nine members were present. The next meeting will be Jan. 4.

**Night Bridge Club Elects New President, Has Christmas Party**

A supper-bridge and annual Christmas party was attended by members of the Saturday night Bridge Club at Memorial Building. There was a turkey dinner, the gift exchange, and the games of bridge at seven tables.

Jo Ed Hill was elected new president of the club, succeeding James Page.



Austin. One of the most startling events of the past week was the admission by Bascom Giles that he—and he alone—was responsible for the administration of the Veterans Land program.

Giles admitted not once, but four times, during the past week—in two criminal and two civil trials in Crystal City and Austin—that he was solely responsible for the program—under the original policy set up by Board members Beauford Jester, Price Daniel and Giles, in 1949.

Gov. Allan Shivers and Atty. Gen. John Ben Shepperd had staunchly contended that such was the case, but Giles was silent on this point until this week.

Giles pleaded guilty to two indictments in Crystal City. He drew sentences of six years in prison on each. He did not contest the civil trials for money allegedly paid him as bribes.

A total of \$53,000 in cash already has been paid back to the state by Giles. Still pending against him are 10 criminal indictments and civil recovery suits totaling \$171,427.

**Cheatham Named DA**

Wiley Cheatham of Cuero, whose aggressive prosecution of veterans' land scandals made him nationally known, has won double promotion.

Governor Shivers promoted Cheatham from county attorney to district attorney, effective Jan. 1. Then Shepperd named him assistant attorney general to serve until Jan. 1. In the latter post he heads the criminal division handling prosecution of veterans' land fraud cases.

**Shivers May Run Again**

Back in the limelight as a potential candidate for governor is Allan Shivers. He made it a point to remind newsmen that he is among the "possibles."

Governor Shivers promised to tell his 1956 political plans "about dogwood time." This, he explains, is usually between mid-February and mid-March.

Although Shivers has been expected to step out at the end of his present term, he never has definitely said so. Meanwhile U. S. Sen. Price Daniel holds fast to his announced intention to tell no political plans until after Jan. 1.

Added signs of life in Ralph Yarborough's law office indicate something developing there soon. The Austin attorney has brought newsman Lyman Jones back from California to work in the 1954 candidate's office.

Col. and Mrs. G. P. Welch have been house guests of Captain and Mrs. Thad Thomson. Col. Welch has been divisional artillery commander at Honolulu, and is now enroute to new duty in Florida.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Etheredge and Burnell Doyle visited Billy Jack Etheredge at Lubbock Saturday and Sunday, returning home Sunday evening.

Guests of Mrs. C. C. West have been her oldest son H. L. West of Presidio and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mund of Douglas.

Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Dudley and Mrs. P. A. Olson with Mike were in San Antonio with Mrs. Olson's daughter Patti Lou, who is under a doctor's care there. They stopped at Uvalde to visit Mr. Dudley's brother, Ray Dudley, on his Cherry Valley Ranch.

—The Success \$2 year—anywhere

Gordon Alexander and his daughter Norma Jean of Austin spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Alexander.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Y. Clopton and children are back after a week's visit with relatives at Port Arthur, Oakdale and Alexandria.

Jess Ashmore was in Waco Wednesday and Thursday attending sessions of Grand Lodge of the Masonic Order. Mrs. Ashmore accompanied him and stopped in McGregor to visit a daughter, and the two later went on to Fort Worth to visit a son and a daughter.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

**New Light on an Old Subject**

Mr. Evans from the Lighting Company gave an interesting talk at the Community Hall last night — on how farmers can cut electric bills. For those who missed it, here's a short recap.

Don't try to light up the cobwebs in the rafters. Use a reflector and a smaller bulb will probably do the job. Too many farmers use naked bulbs that waste 50% of the light.

Try using moveable projector bulbs that beam light the way a searchlight does. A couple of these "spots" will often give you

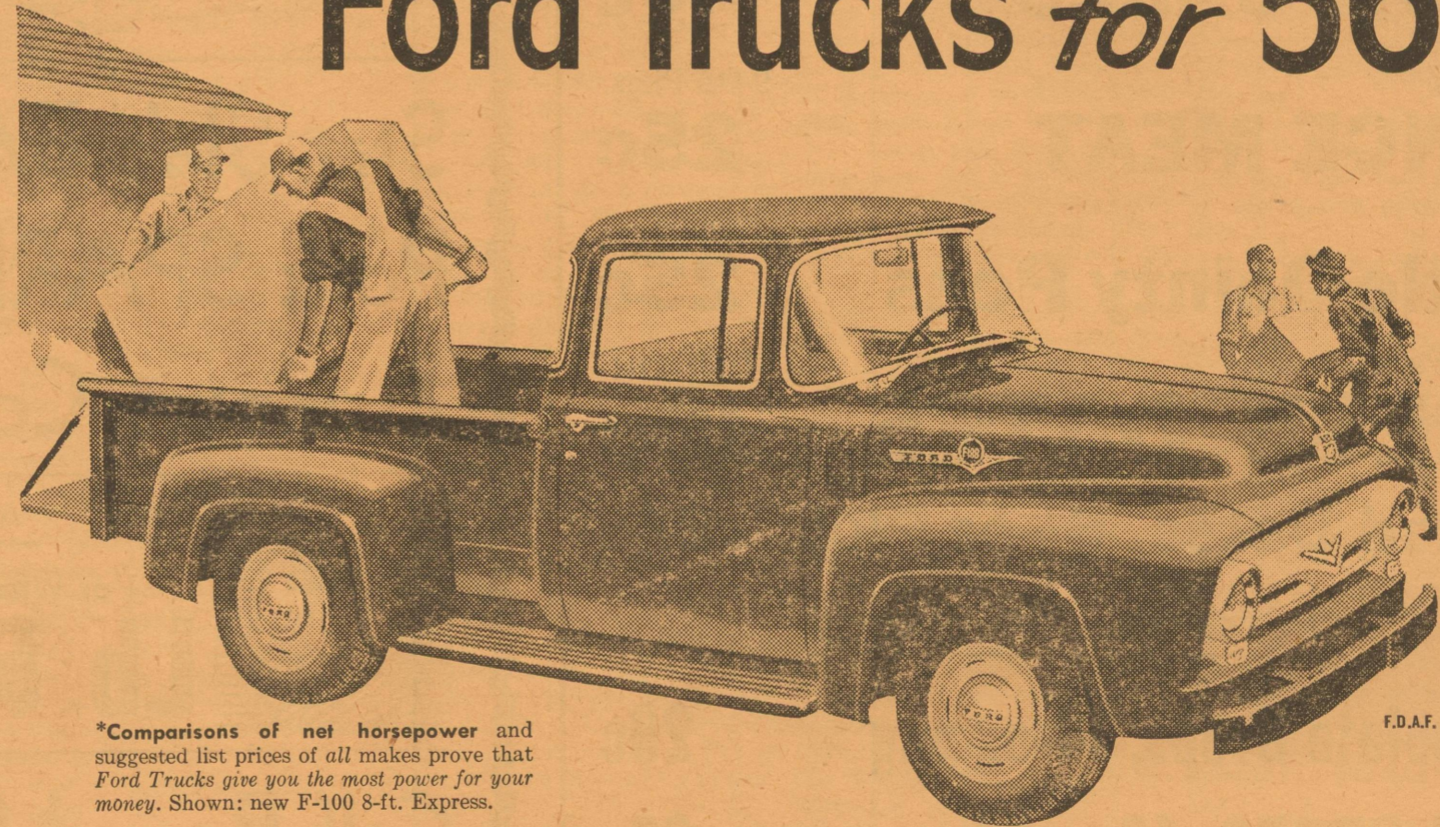
better illumination than a gang of juice-wasting overhead lamps.

From where I sit, it's amazing how often we misuse the things we have . . . like electricity. We also make a mistake if we misuse our right of personal choice—about which candidate to vote for, say, or whether beer or coffee makes the ideal mealtime drink—by trying to force our opinions on others. Respect for the other fellow's point of view should be our "guiding light."

Joe Marsh

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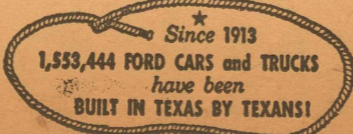
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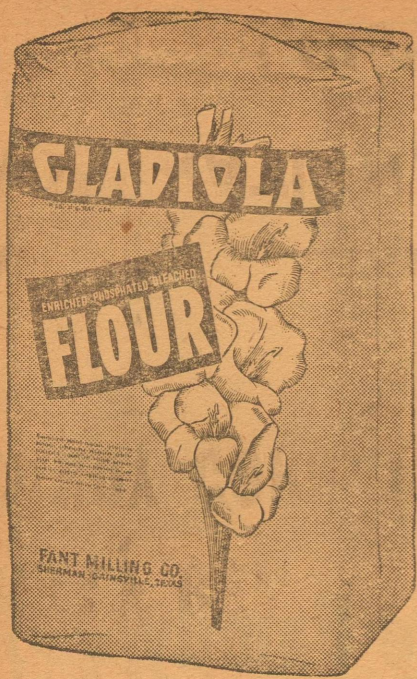
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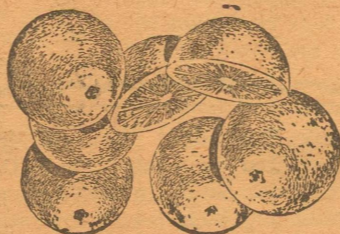
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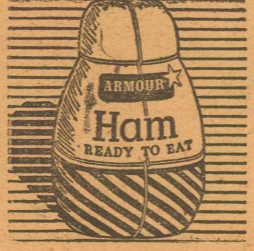
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