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Mae Crabtree General Services Died Monday

Ella Mae Crabtree, 82, of Canyon and a former resident of McLean died Sunday. Funeral services for her were held at 2 p.m. Monday in the United Methodist Church with Rev. Harmon Meixner, officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery. Mrs. Crabtree was born in Dallas County and lived in Canyon for 30 years. She had been a longtime resident of McLean.

She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of McLean. She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. A. V. Reed, Miss Margie Reed of Pampa, and Mrs. W. E. Williams of Amarillo; two great nephews and one great-niece.

Savings Bond Reached

United States Saving Bonds sales in Gray County totaled \$33,821 during the month period were \$1,244 which represents 81% of the 1975 goal for the county, according to County Bond Chairman Floyd F. Watson.

Christmas Display Civic Center

A new Christmas exhibit is being provided this year in the civic center Plaza by the Association of Congregations. Using the theme of "Christmas on the Plains - 1875" a series of tableaux will be on display from Dec. 15 through Dec. 26. Scenes depicting life on the plains in 1875 are used to express the meaning of Christmas. The five displays are: "Country Church Scene," "Boy in Prayer," "Christmas On The Prairie," "Home on the Plains," Christmas is getting to be here.

Mrs. Leo Gibson has returned home after a month of visiting in California and Arizona.



FOSTER WHALEY

Whaley Resigns Co. Agent Position

J. Foster Whaley, Gray County Agricultural Extension agent since 1960, winner of many awards, outspoken representative of area agribusiness, published agricultural writer, and oft-quoted speaker, is retiring Jan. 31 from his agent position.

Whaley joined the Extension Service in 1949 as assistant county agent in Deaf Smith County. He served as assistant county agent in Carson and Gray counties and in 1951 became acting county agent in Gray County. In 1953, he was named the county agent for Armstrong County and he was there until 1960, when he returned to Gray County.

In 1969, Whaley received the highest award given by the National Association of County Agricultural Agents - the Distinguished Service Award.

The association cited Whaley "For his knowledge of beef cattle production and marketing and his ability for developing outstanding education programs which utilize this knowledge and interest, including use of the beef cattle futures market; also for his work with organized groups, program building and community improvement programs."

Whaley is a native of Saint Jo and he graduated from high school there. He is a veteran of World War II and participated in four major campaigns in the European Theatre. He holds the Bronze Star and Purple Heart. He was graduated in 1949 from Texas A & M University as a distinguished student.

Christmas Trees Now On Sale

The McLean Lions Club and the local F.F.A. Chapter are now selling Christmas trees in the old Stubblefield building located just south of the McLean Hardware building.

Come by early for a good selection. They will be open each day at 1 p.m.

Sheri Haynes Is 3rd High Pointer At Delta State

Miss Sheri Lee Haynes, who commonly known as McLean's Superstar, is making a name for herself as a freshman at Delta State University at Cleveland, Miss. In a recent game between Delta and Mississippi State, she was third on the scoring list with 15 points.

Following Christmas Sheri will play with the Delta team in Philadelphia and then in February she will play in Madison Square Garden.

Residents in this area are keeping their eyes on Sheri and feel there is no limit to what she may achieve by the time she is in her senior year.

Sheri is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Haynes and the granddaughter of Mr. John C. Haynes.

Open House Slated At Amarillo College

Open houses are scheduled Dec. 17 for friends and relatives of day and evening students enrolled in the School of Vocational Arts at the Amarillo College West Campus.

This is a means by which friends and families will have a chance to see not only where the SVA students attend school, but they will also have a chance to tour the entire campus.

SVA day students friends and relatives will be able to attend the first open house scheduled from 10 a.m. until noon. The second open house for evening students is slated from 7 to 8 p.m.

"We try to have an open house for these students every year at about this time to add a little Christmas spirit to the tour of the campus," said Nat Neal, SVA Dean.

Refreshments will be served in the SVA cafeteria.

News Deadline For Holidays

News deadline for the Christmas and New Year's paper will be at noon Monday of each week.

We must have this deadline in order to print these papers early. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

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Dalton L. Jones Buried At Shamrock Tigerettes Get 2nd Place Trophy

Funeral services for Darrell L. Jones, 68 who died Monday, were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the McLean Church of Christ.

Jay Farber, minister, officiated. Burial was in the Shamrock Cemetery by Lamb Funeral Home.

Mr. Jones was a native of Itasca. He married the former Evelyn Bergman in 1928 in Shamrock. He moved to Sandspur Lake, southeast of McLean, from Pampa in 1962. He was a furniture dealer in Shamrock and Pampa for 40 years.

He is survived by his wife, Evelyn; one son, Bob of Houston; one daughter, Mrs. Mary Dungan of Weatherford, Okla.; one brother, Carl of Gainesville; one sister, Mrs. Mandette Lancaster of McPherson, Kan.; one half-brother, Barniece Castalino of Tampa, Fla.; and four grandchildren.

The family requests that memorials be made to the Westview Boys Home in Hollis, Okla.

McLean Schools Get A Holdays To Take Holiday

McLean Schools will dismiss Friday, Dec. 19 for the Christmas holidays.

Classes will not begin until after the New Year's holidays.

Services Pending For Archie Farren

Funeral services are pending for Archie Leo Farren, 73, of McLean, who died Monday.

Mr. Farren was born in Nevada, Iowa and moved to McLean in 1908. He married Miss Louise Holmes in Sayre, Okla. in 1935. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of McLean. He had been an oil field pumper, a farmer and a stockman. He retired from Skelley Oil Co. in 1967. After his retirement, he contracted oil field pumping. He served in the Army during World War II.

Survivors include the widow; two sons, Jim of Scio, Ore. and Gene of Albany, Ore.; one daughter, Mrs. Helen McConnell of Lebanon, Ore. and seven great-grandchildren.

Henry Boothe, who is stationed at Abilene visited his father and his wife Mr. and Mrs. James Boothe last week.

The Tigerettes lost to the Samnorwood Eagleettes in the finals of the Samnorwood Tourneys by a score of 39 to 41. The Tigerettes led at half time 24 to 13, but fell behind the second half.

Highpointer for the Tigerettes was Delinda Howard with 18 points and Rose Dwyer followed with 16. The Tigerettes came home with the second place trophy.

Tigers Beat Owls 51-47

The McLean Tigers traveled to Silverton last Tuesday night and beat the Owls 51-47. The Tigers were behind by 15 points in the third quarter. But the Tigers caught up and were ahead by four with twenty-five seconds left and held on and beat the Owls. Coach Mears said "The boys played real good the last quarter, they really hustled and caught up."

The outstanding scorers for the Tigers were Jim Bond with 16 points, Billy Terry with 12, Dean Trew and Morse Haynes with 8 a piece, Rickey Lowery with 5 and Sam Haynes with 2 points. The Tigers are now 5-5 for the season and 1-1 in district play.

Tigerettes Defeat Silverton 36-34

The Tigerettes brought their season record to 7-6 Tuesday night as they jolted Silverton 36-34. It was the second victory in district play with no defeats.

High point in the game was Rose Dwyer with 15 points, closely followed by Delinda Howard with 13. Cindy Sherrod added 8 points.

"There were many exciting moments besides basketball on the court tonight, said one of the fans. It was the roughest girls game I've ever played in," quoted Halcyon Back.

Heald Church Plans Program

The Heald Methodist Church will have their Christmas program and tree for Dec. 24th at 7 p.m. To highlight the occasion will be a visit by "Minnie Pearl" from Grinder Switch along with Santa Claus.

Everyone is invited to come help celebrate the Birth of Our Savior. You all come.



Santa To Visit In McLean Saturday, Dec. 20

The News office received word from the North Pole this week that Santa Claus will make a pre-Christmas visit to McLean this Saturday, Dec. 20 at 2 p.m.

He will ride to the downtown area atop McLean's white fire truck with sacks of goodies for all boys and girls.

So boys and girls don't forget this Saturday at 2 p.m. come and see Santa.

Kids, Write Your Letters To Santa!

Children of the area are invited to write their letters to Santa Claus to be published in the News annual Christmas edition December 24.

Santa has indicated that things are in full swing at the toy shops at the North Pole in preparation for his annual visit, but that he needs to know what the youngsters want for Christmas. So he has asked them to write their letters and turn them in to the McLean News.

All letters should be received by the News by Saturday, Dec. 22. In order to be published Children are urged to begin now writing their letters to Santa. They may get their parents or teachers to help write the letters and bring or mail them to the McLean News, Box H, McLean, Texas.

Area Men Donate Calves

Bill Graham and Jackie Hess II left McLean Tuesday morning the 17th to take a load of calves to the Methodist Home in Waco.

Those playing Santa Claus to the Methodist Home were: David Crockett, Tony Smitherman, Van Horn, Mary Dwyer, Bill Graham, Jackie Hess Farris Hess, Bob Sherrod, Ted Simmons, Jim Allison, Sam Haynes, John M. Haynes, Joe Magee, all of McLean. Mr. W. B. Hammonds from Dimmitt also sent a calf.

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Martha Class Christmas Social Saturday

Lucille Cullison
The Mary Martha Sunday school class of the Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. Howard Williams for a Christmas social and meeting on Saturday, Dec. 13 at 2:30 p.m. The home decoration including a beautiful Christmas tree.

Mrs. Margaret Chapman offered the opening prayer.

Mrs. Newt Barker, president presided over the meeting.

The devotion was given by Mrs. Bonnie Bidwell. Her topic was "Ask and Ye Shall Receive" and God's not a mail order house. She also read a Christmas poem.

Mrs. Bidwell also led the guessing and fun games which were enjoyed by everyone. Members told about their most

remembered Christmas time.

Gifts were exchanged by class members, with some receiving gifts from secret pals. The class presented a gift to their teacher, Mrs. Williams.

Members having birthdays were Mrs. Chapman, Jessie Watson, and Clara Mae Hupp.

The refreshments were the birthday cakes, candy, nuts, spiced tea, and coffee.

Those present were Mesjames Loree Barker, Margaret Chapman, Bonnie Bidwell, Bea Lester, Essie Howard, Verna Hudgins, Pearl Lerner, Clara Mae Hupp, Lucille Cullison, Irene Williams, Nora Moore, Mary Lou Thockmorton, Jessie Watson, Velma Willis and the hostess, Lillie Mae Williams.

An enjoyable time was had by all.

News From ALANREED

By Mrs. P. M. Gibson
Mrs. J. A. Hill visited in Lubbock during the weekend.

Mrs. Cecil Carter was in Pampa on Thursday where she joined the Jim Bruces of Amarillo in a trip to Kansas. They also visited the Jerry Carters.

Mrs. Cecil Carter and Mrs. F. L. Dalton of McLean were in Amarillo on Tuesday.

The Alanreed Home Demonstration Club met Dec. 10 for their Christmas party in the home of Lucille Keller. The minutes were read and approved. The business was attended to and an interesting word and number games were enjoyed by all. Then refreshments were served to the following members and a new members:

hostess, Lucille Keller, Polly Harrison, Onie Gibson, Lena Carter, Sue Crisp, Claudia Cooke, her niece Barbara Bodea, the new member, Lucy Goldston, Barbara Bible and Paul, Mary Davis, May Moreman, Maggie Johnston, Anita Bruce.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hall were shopping in Pampa Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Gibson of McLean shopped in Pampa Tuesday.

The Loyd Fulbrights have been on the sick list this week.

The P. M. Gibsons received a surprise Christmas card this week from Mr. and Mrs. Arlon Estes and their four children from Colorado Springs, Colo. They came from Michigan and were trying to settle where the climate would be good for his asthma.

Rev. and Mrs. John Thames attended the 20th Century Study Club 11. Mrs. Thames sang a special. He is the pastor of the Alanreed Baptist Church.

CANCER ANSWER LINE American Cancer Society
M. D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute

Mrs. R. M. writes: "My husband will be 45 next week and except for vaccinations and a bout with the flu last year, he never sees a doctor. I tell him that he should have regular checkups but I might as well be talking to a brick wall. What can I say that will get through to him?"

ANSWERline: Try a positive approach. Point out that he can gain real peace of mind by hearing those words: "I've checked you out and you are in fine health." Remind him that a regular checkup gives his physician a good basis for sound preventive health care. You might note that today we can save one-out-of-three lives from cancer but we could save one out of two if people had checkups that make early detection and treatment possible. By the way, after 40, both you and your husband should have a "procto" regularly. That's one way to detecting a very common kind of cancer, bowel cancer, when it is most curable. If all argument fails, you might think of giving him a checkup as a birthday present -- after all, good health is the best gift!

Question: "Is unusual bleeding always a sign of cancer?"

ANSWERline: No. But, unusual bleeding is a signal that something is wrong and when it occurs, a physician should be consulted as soon as possible.

ANSWERline: Unproven methods of cancer diagnosis and treatment can cost lives. If a cancer patient delays proper treatment for an unproven one, valuable time is lost because cancer is most curable when treated early, and if a cancer patient stops a proven treatment for an unknown, his chances of cure go downhill. Cancer is too serious a matter for anyone to deal with but the professional with access to the best science can offer.

A fashion model asks: "Should all moles be removed? I have a 'beauty spot' near my mouth. It is kind of a trademark, but, I worry about cancer."
ANSWERline: Hang on to that trademark because all moles don't automatically have to be removed. However, you should be alert to any change in your mole's size or color. If you notice anything, check with your physician.

A teacher asks: "How can I get the facts about cancer in our particular state for a class project?"

ANSWERline: Your local American Cancer Society Unit has a booklet entitled "Cancer Facts & Figures" that will be quite a help. It is free of charge.

A retired businessman writes: "There are a lot of people who think that they can cure cancer with old herbal medicines or diet or exercise or whatever. I know that their methods aren't strictly legal, but what harm can they do after all?"



Jesse James loved chili so much that he refused to rob a bank in McKinney, Texas, because that's where his favorite chili parlor was located.

New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. James Rodney Winter of San Angelo proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Kimberly Dawn, on Friday, December 5, 1975. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Winter of Stinnett and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard McClellan of McLean. Great grandparents are Mrs. Eunice Evans of Pampa, Mrs. Gladys Winter of Stinnett, Mr. Ernest Clifford, west of Pampa and Mr. Sam McClellan of McLean.

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HEALD NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Don Morris of Amarillo spent Thursday night and Friday with Mrs. Arlie Grigsby.

Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Tate spent Friday night and Saturday visiting in the Wesley Masters home in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Ott Davis visited Sunday in Pampa with their daughter, Jana.

Mrs. Myrtle Miller Austin of Lubbock visited in the O. O. Tate home Sunday. She also was a visitor at church Sunday morning.

Mrs. Ben Westmoreland of Wheeler spent Monday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ott Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Carpenter, Brad and Russell of Borger visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Carpenter.

Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Tate were in Oklahoma Tuesday to attend funeral services for Mr. Tate's aunt.



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Christ was an "extremist" and was crucified by sinful men for it. He dared to walk differently. His answers were not from the usual bone-deep of "contemporary dialogue." He was not influenced by what people said, or by the mainstream of human thought. He was a man with a mission. (John 9:4) He dared to be DIFFERENT! He preached on the theme, "The impossibility of neutrality." "Almost" was not enough. "Private" or secret disciples were looked upon as personal deserters. "He that is not with Me is against Me; and he that gathered not with Me scattereth abroad" (Matt. 12:30).

The greatest peril today is the peril of neutrality. Every extremist is marked with labels in our present day, yet the greatest extremist of them all--the extreme of indifference--to often goes unnoticed. (Unnoticed by man, not by God). This "impatient, indolent, lazy, middle-of-the-roader" has no counterpart. He sits alone. He will eat the very heart out of a congregation and draw the very life's blood out of a nation. The middle of the road is a dangerous place to drive or walk, much less live. Jesus said, "So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spew thee out of My mouth" (Rev. 3:16).

"Isn't it better to go halfway and quit than to never start?" one may ask. The answer Jesus gives is a very direct and unequivocal "no"! -- read Luke 14:28-30.

The desire for popularity and acceptance pushes one to the "middle of the road" where he can walk both sides of the street at the same time. He mistakes the "stretching of the conscience" for the "broadening of the mind." To him, nothing is altogether right or wrong. He may sip the Lord's Supper on Sunday morning and sip cocktails on Sunday evening. He runs with the hounds and hides with the hares. He would rather face sin around a conference table than on the operating table. He makes convalescents out of those who are in desperate need of surgery. Sin is cancer. You cannot peacefully co-exist with it--not for very long. You do it up or it will do you in!

James said, "Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? Whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God" (James 4:4). Wrong--right; yes--no; either--or; good--bad; God--Satan. Take your pick. No room in the middle of the road, and no way to have both.

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STATE CAPITAL
Highlights
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AUSTIN — Texas political parties are gearing up for the 1976 presidential elections—and the state's first (and perhaps only) presidential preference primary.

Republicans launched their primary plans several weeks ago, and organizations are forming to support candidacies of President Gerald Ford and former California Gov. Ronald Reagan.

Democrats met in Fort Worth last week to finalize delegate selection rules changes. They also approved a proposal to streamline their state conventions (making them double-header, two-day sessions, instead of one-day, 24-hour marathons).

U.S. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen and Alabama Gov. George Wallace are moving out front among Democratic presidential candidates in the Texas primary May 1 with preliminary petition-gathering and organization.

Liberal Democrats met in San Antonio Saturday to map their strategy to try to minimize the delegate strength of Bentsen and Wallace.

Former U.S. Sen. Ralph Yarborough said he may become a candidate in the preference primary, although he will reach no firm decision before the end of the year.

Former Georgia Gov. Jimmy Carter is also making plans to enter the primary, as is former Oklahoma Sen. Fred Harris. Other candidates are undecided.

Metric Conversion

Texas industry may be converting already to the metric system of measurement, according to testimony before a House sub-committee.

State agency spokesmen discussed with the panel a possible overhaul of the

state tax structure if the change from the English system of measurement (feet, yards, pounds and pints) is adopted.

The U.S. is the only major industrialized nation not using the metric system. Congress has been considering several bills which would convert to that system.

Some industry representatives said they feel the conversion ultimately is inevitable.

Race Opens

Chief Justice Charles Barrow, 54, of the San Antonio Fourth Court of Civil Appeals last week mounted a campaign for an upcoming State Supreme Court vacancy.

Barrow so far is unopposed, but he said he will "run like a scared coyote," expecting another candidate will emerge before filing deadline. The veteran of 13 years on the intermediate appellate court bench paid his filing fee as a Democratic candidate.

Lawmaker Pay 25th

Texas legislators are now squarely in the middle among those of 50 states when it comes to the payroll.

They rank 25th at \$600 a month, with \$30 per day living expense allowances during sessions.

California legislators are paid the most—\$21,120 a year plus a \$30 per day expense allowances, a leased auto and gasoline credit card and \$4,556 a month to pay for staff operations during annual sessions. New Hampshire pays \$100 a year—with no expense account.

Courts Speak

Texas Supreme Court refused to force trial of a suit by 12 alien children seeking to throw out a state law which requires them to pay tuition to attend Houston

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The high court also rejected Alamo Heights and Edgewood (San Antonio) school districts' efforts to require their taxable property values to be equalized with those of other districts.

In both the Houston and San Antonio cases, the court refused to accept petitions for writs of mandamus.

In another case, the Supreme Court upheld Texas Woman's University rules requiring undergraduates under 23 to live in dormitories.

Reaching for a pistol in a belt is not assault with intent to murder, the Court of Criminal Appeals held in overturning a conviction and 25-year sentence of a Lufkin man.

A State Bar grievance committee has moved to suspend the law license of 229th District Judge O.P. Carrillo pending his appeal of an income tax fraud conviction.

AG Opinions

The Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System may enter student loan cancellation contracts where graduates become employed by certain state agencies, Atty. Gen. John Hill concluded.

In another recent opinion, Hill said public community and junior colleges are required to set aside from tuition charges for vocational-technical courses only the six per cent designated in the Texas Education Code.

Appointments

Texas House Speaker Bill Clayton has been selected to head the 15-state Southern States Speakers Conference. Clayton also is chairman of the Southern Legislative Conference.

Gov. Dolph Briscoe appointed Dr. D. Jack Kilian of Lake Jackson to the Texas Air Control Board.

Atty. Gen. John Hill was named chairman of the National Association of Attorneys General's Committee on Environmental Control.

Rudy Davila of Austin is the newly-appointed director of the Division of Community Relations for the Texas Department of Community Affairs.

Cotton Producers Directors To Meet

The directors of the Greenbelt Cotton Producers, Inc. announce that the annual meeting of the organization will be held on Dec. 13.

The meeting will convene at 2 p.m. at the USDA Cotton Classing Office, in Memphis. Mr. Ted Proske, the officer in charge of the Memphis Cotton Classing office began receiving samples on Nov. 24. There were over 127,000 samples classes last year. The election of directors, and a resume of the past years business will be among the important items on the agenda.

The Greenbelt Cotton Producers, Inc. was formed in 1959 for the purpose of establishing a cotton classing office in Memphis. This office serves cotton farmers in Armstrong, Briscoe, Carson, Childress, Collingworth, Cottle, Donley, Gray, Hall, Hansford, Hemphill, Hutchinson, King, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Motley, Roberts and Wheeler Counties.

Officers and directors currently serving are: President-Jerrel Rapp of Estelline, Forest Creamer of Paducah, A. J. Garland of Goodnight, J. R. Hefley of Shamrock, Leonard King of Childress, Hubert Rhoades of Clarendon, D. E. Brunson, Quitaque, Joe Degan of Flomot, D. D. Pennington of McLean, Buck Breeding of Shamrock and Mrs. Johnny Farnsworth of Memphis serves as Executive Secretary of the Greenbelt Cotton Producers, Inc.

The courthouse in Pampa will be closed in observance of Christmas beginning at 12 noon on Christmas Eve, Wednesday, Dec. 24 and on Christmas Day, Thursday, Dec. 25, and will be closed in observance of New Year's Day on Thursday, Jan. 1 except for the sheriff's office.

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Briscoe Falls to Tigerettes 51-41

The Tigerettes beat Briscoe in the semi-finals game of the Samnorwood tourney by a score of 41 to 51 last Friday. The Tigerettes were in control during the whole game with the forwards hitting 49% of their shots. Briscoe was in foul trouble and in the last quarter played with five girls. The McLean girls went on to play in the finals with Samnorwood. Highpointer was Delinda Howard with 28 points and Rose Dwyer followed with 14 points.

Student Council To sponsor Film

The student council of the high school is sponsoring a film. The film "Never a dull Moment" is to be shown to the first through sixth grades on Friday, Dec. 19 at 8:30 a.m. It will be shown to the seventh through twelfth grades at 12:30. Santa Claus will then talk to the teachers and hand out presents.

No two snowflakes, diamonds and fingerprints are alike.

Roving Reporter...

By Cherrie Billingsley
 Hello everyone! Hop Christmas joy is beginning to creep into your bones. Isn't Christmas a wonderful holiday? Especially when one thinks of all the traditions that have been around in families for many years. To satisfy my own curiosity I asked several of my friends what their one special Christmas tradition was. I decided I'd pass these little bits of Christmas cheer on to you readers.

"We spend Christmas Eve with my Mother's family and at my grandmothers house, then Christmas Day is spent with my Dad's family." "We all get gifts from Santa at our house, even mom and Dad." "My brother always reads the Christmas story of Jesus right before bedtime." "the tree is a big thing at our house, we all pitch in to make decorations and to decorate the tree." "Mom plays the piano and we all sign carols on Christmas Eve." "We decorate the tree on Christmas morning and keep it up til New Year's Day."

Everyone has a special tradition for Christmas. The very essence of Christmas is tradition. The reporters, sponsors, and editors all wish you and yours a very Merry Holiday Season.

Tigerettes Beat Wheeler In District Game

The Tigerettes stole by Wheeler's Mustangettes to a 43-31 victory in their first district game here last Tuesday night. The local girls took a firm grasp on the lead early in the game as Delinda Howard, Cindy Sherrod and Rose Helen Dwyer burned the nets for a 26-14 half time tally. The Mustangettes came back to narrow the gap in 3rd quarter of play in a feeble attempt to regain control, but the McLean girls got things together again in the 4th quarter to dump in 14 compared with a Wheeler 9.

Rose Dwyer lead McLean scorers tossing 7 field goals and two free throws for a total of 16 points.

The Tigerettes traveled to Silverton Tuesday night for their 2nd game in district play.

U.S. Rep. Alan Steelman of Dallas will formally announce for the U.S. Senate here January 5.

Tigerettes Defeat Wellington 51-34

The McLean Tigerettes defeated the Wellington girls 51-34 in their first game of the Samnorwood tournament last Thursday. The Tigerettes took an early lead which they held throughout the game. High scorer for the Tigerettes was Cindy Sherrod with 19 points.

B-Team Boys Play Wheeler

December 9 the McLean B-team boys played Wheeler in McLean. The score was Wheeler 32 and McLean 21. The high pointer of the game for McLean was Carter Trew who scored 10 points. By Natalie Morris

Next Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium, the McLean Student body is giving a Christmas program for the people of the area. The first and second grade choirs and third and fourth grade choir will sing Christmas carols. The beginning band will play "Old St. Nick is Swingin'" and "Rock-et." The Junior High Band will

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CARD OF THANKS I want to thank everyone for the gifts, cards, visits, and calls while I was in the hospital. God bless everyone of you. Mrs. Betty Lowe

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County Agricultural Agent Texas A. & M. College Extension Service By FOSTER WHALEY

BANGS DISEASE
I haven't kept up closely with the fight going on between the U.S.D.A. and the Texas Animal Health Commission with reference to the Brucellosis Control Program. But I have kept up closely with the progress of the Nat'l Brucellosis Control Program since it got started back in 1947.

Back in 1947 when the U.S.D.A. started its main effort to eradicate Brucellosis in cattle there were over 6200 recorded cases of undulant fever in man. As the number of counties in the U.S. have become modified Brucellosis free and Brucellosis free the incidence of Undulant Fever in man dropped to approximately 250 cases by 1972.

Texas has trailed all states in its efforts to eradicate this problem. While certain elements over the state have fought efforts for the state to become a modified Brucellosis Free State, other states have gone through the rigid efforts of becoming "Brucellosis Free". In other words many states that have been declared Brucellosis free have pretty well wiped out all traces of Bangs Disease.

A modified Brucellosis free county tolerates a certain degree of infection so long that it does not exceed a certain percentage. A Brucellosis free county is free or practical totally free of the disease.

We are happy that Gray County is now Brucellosis Free. It is one of 15 in the state that enjoys this designation.

Of the 250 cases of Undulant Fever in man in 1972 most of the source of infection came from swine-not cattle. So I believe we could safely say the main reason we have made such a dramatic drop in Undulant fever cases in a direct result

of the Brucellosis program in the nation. Now I'd like to make another common horse sense observation. If you were a member of an animal Health commission in some other state that had gone through the millions of dollars of expenses necessary to get your state into a Brucellosis free state, what would be your policy toward a state like Texas that hadn't rounded the second base in their clean up program?

I believe I know your answer. Your first thought would be we will bar the shipment of all cattle from Texas until they get on the same level as we. The second thought you might have would run like this. "This cattle business is a tough thing anyhow. Texas is one of the largest exporting states into other states. Lets embargo them since we have a good excuse and buyers from the corn belt and other importing states will come to us making our female off springs worth ten cents a pound more than the same cattle in Texas.

Now I have made some pretty strong remarks and let me say the foot dragging in Texas might be a boon to the operators if the feeder and stocker operators can buy these heifers at a big discount they will be in a most competitive position.

So it boils down to this the people in Texas that are fighting this program will probably be the biggest loser. It will be a bad pill for all registered breeders. But most registered breeders have always been for the program.

The U.S.D.A is the one taking most of the mud balls from the opposition in Texas. But the individual states is the ones that are going to put it on the sore backs of a lot of Texas Breeders that are already reclining from the impact of one of the worst price drops this country has ever seen. Light weight heifers can now be purchased for little more than 20 cents a pound. We don't need any further discount in Texas on these calves that are bringing about one-third what it cost to produce them.

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Known as C.P.R. cardiopulmonary resuscitation, the lifesaving instructors' course is designed to teach instructors how to teach methods for regaining and sustaining heart beat and breathing in emergency situations.

The course consisted of four evening sessions of three hours each totaling 12 hours of C.P.R. instructor training. Besides practical training in mouth to mouth resuscitation and closed cardiac massage technic, instruction in anatomy and physiology were presented and related films and slides were shown. Medical-legal points were stressed as well. The need for the instructors to have more information than the routine student was also stressed.

The majority of the manikins used by the Gray county heart division still have to be borrowed from elsewhere. Needed still by the Gray County Heart Division are several re-

Alanreed Study Club Have Christmas Dinner

The annual Christmas party of the Alanreed Twentieth Century Study Club was held Thursday, Dec. 11 in the Alanreed School Cafeteria.

A traditional turkey dinner and all the trimmings was served. Members and guests President, Betty Simmons.

The program led by Mrs. Lucille Keller, consisted of readings by Tony Hambricht, Brett Simmons and Lucille Keller.

A musical medley was presented by Mrs. John Thames with everyone joining in singing Christmas carols.

Following the program gifts were exchanged.

Members and guests present were Mesdames and Messrs. Granville Simmons, Hartley Davis, Edgar Cupell, Frank Hambricht, Bob Corbin, Bill Crisp, John Thames Dan Keller, Marvin Hall, Enloe Crisp, Laverne Goldston, Doug Groves, J. D. Fish, Red Easton, Kinneith Hambricht, Mesdames Ada Simmons, Saffronia Pettit, Iona Glass, Mary Ellen McClellan, and Eddie Corbin, Chris Moore, Tammy Pierce, Beth Hambricht, Tony



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susciannes, and arrhythmia ann, and a recording to help teach these courses.

Dr. Forrest Sparger, president of the Gray Co. Heart Division, course instructor and member of the staff of Frank Phillips College, was assisted by several certified C.P.R. instructors. Miss Vermell Meador was the volunteer deputy instructor in the course and Katherine Gibby, C.P.R. instructor, was the volunteer secretary. Other volunteer instructors were: Linda Fletcher, R.N.; Jean Johnson, R.N.; Imogene Murrell, R.N.; Jessie Newberry, R.N.; Marjorie Penn, R.N.; Evelyn Reger, L.V.N.; Bobbie Silcot, L.V.N.; Ruth Steger, R.N. and Bob Steger, certified x-ray technician.

The course was produced by Frank Phillips College and sponsored by the Highland General Hospital, and supported by the Gray County heart division, Texas Affiliate, Inc., of the American Heart Association.

1975 Souviner Mint Sets Now On Sale

Christmas shoppers should keep their local post offices in mind as a source of gifts, the U. S. Postal Service suggested today.

The Postal Service said that the 1975 Souvenir Mint Set, featuring all of the 28 commemorative stamps issued in 1975, is now available for sale in most post offices. The mint set contains a packet of the stamps in a display folder which provides space for mounting the stamps and a brief description of each issue. A similar mint set of the 29 commemorative stamps issued in 1974 is available again this year.

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Clarendon College To Offer Night Classes In McLean

Clarendon College will once again offer off-campus extension courses in McLean starting on January 17. Courses offered will be American History in room 273 on Mondays at the high school, Reading in room 123 on Wednesdays and Art in rooms 101 and 102 on Thursdays.

Larvell Carlson will teach American History, 1865 to the present time. Betsy Piefrey will teach Reading and Betsy Hawkins will teach Art.

Persons interested in enrolling in any of these night courses may contact the Registrar's office, Clarendon College, Box 968, Clarendon or call 817-874-3591.

A group of persons interested in taking a Texas Government course are trying to get a list of enough names to start a class on this subject. If you would be interested in this please leave your name at the McLean Library with Martha Parker.

Fish Applications Deadline Jan. 1

An increase in fish requests for stocking private ponds has prompted the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to set the fish application deadline for Jan. 1.

Private landowners had until June to make requests in 1975 for catfish and sunfish and the P&WD had no way of projecting how many fish would be needed.

An earlier deadline of Jan. 1 will help program the demand for all species of fish to be stocked in both private and public waters.

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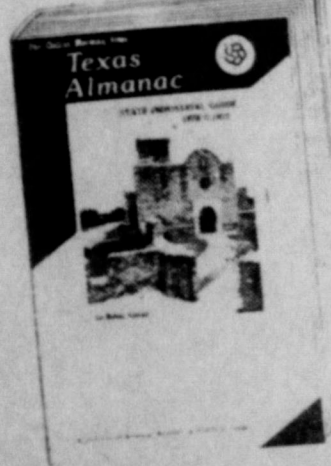
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