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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

8 Pages Today

HEAVY SNOW BLANKETS NORTH PLAINS AREA

ON'T NAME IT

WILL J. MILLER

MY TOWN A Xmas Editorial

ually thousands of Christ-
editorials will be published
week. The finest talent of
will take the English
and blend it into in-
reading, emotional,
provoking articles.

ter doubts if there is
the whole nation who
subject matter for a
Editorial than your
entry editor.

in a town where the
of the people believe in
statement. "It is
to give than re-

in a town where various
nations have friendly riv-
their efforts to out-do each
making this town a more
ke and happy home for
and needy.

uable cow, part of the
ticket of a deserving wid-
her children, died some
weeks ago. One of the or-
ganizations of my town quietly
solicited funds and purchased
a courageous lady another
w—a rough harsh speaking
GENTLEMAN of my town sup-
plemented his cash donation with
ough feed to last a month or
—That's in my town.

old time citizen who has
a life-time in my town, and
who has always been liberal
when his health and earning
powers were intact, has suffer-
ed the loss of health during the
past year. His money gone, his
relatives more or less burdened
good people of MY TOWN quiet-
ly passed around the petition this
week, and this gentleman will
know what kind of people live
in MY TOWN before the
Christmas holidays are over.

IN MY TOWN 400 children
will be happy with a Christmas
sack of candy, fruit and nuts
Christmas eve night at the
community tree.

AN MY TOWN 25 families of
county who according to the
records of the county are classi-
fied as more or less dependent,
will know the joy of abundant
ood, warm clothing, Christmas
oys for the children, and will
realize THERE IS A SANTA
CLAUS.

I know of a half dozen fam-
ilies who live on a close margin
and who do not find themselves
able to purchase large quantities
of food at one time, who will en-
joy fresh pork, beef, and canned
od from neighbors during this
oliday season. It is not a case
of charity—just neighbors who
et such a wonderful blessing in
IVING. That's in MY TOWN.

The wife of a more or less
rominent man in my town is
ery sick. His neighbors and
riends are anxious to help.
When it was learned this man
was seeking a nurse in a near-by
community, his friends left in-
structions that he was not to go
to Amarillo for the nurse, if it
ame necessary, but call on one
of his many friends—Not, you
understand, a case of expenses,
ut just the matter of relieving
his friend of as much addition-
al worry and detail as possible.
That's MY TOWN.

Five of my friends were dis-
cussing basketball over "coffee"
the other morning. One broke
t with the statement that our
WINNING basketball boys look-
ragged in comparison with
ams from Phillips and Perry-
on. Bob Archer declared he
ould give a dollar more than
anyone else towards giving the
WINNING team respectable
oking uniforms for Christmas.

Within ten minutes \$28.00 was
ubscribed, and when you see
the Lynx boys play in our home
ournament, you will know why
am proud of MY TOWN.

I served on two committees
ollecting funds this week for
ORTHY affairs. One man swal-
wed hard, said, "This makes
\$1.00 I have donated the past
wo days, but I can't pass up
uch a worthy cause." THAT'S
MY TOWN.

Christmas is coming in my
own, and there will not be many
eak days for sorrow. Joy
eace on earth, and
ard men is here.
laugh and cry with
their
but

Boyer Says He Will Support Governor Elect O'Daniel

PERRYTON — December 21, —Representative Max Boyer of Perryton spent several days of the past week in the west counties of the 124th Legislative District going over matters of importance coming up at the next Regular Session of the Texas Legislature. Boyer met with members of a Regional Conference at Dalhart and was unanimously requested to introduce a bill in January that would enable counties, if necessary, to vote a levy for the destruction of migratory grass-hoppers and also to seek an appropriation of State funds to supplement Federal aid in combating the hopper menace. In discussing the next session of the Legislature, the Perryton Legislator stated, "I believe the members of the Legislature are going to co-operate in every reasonable way with the new Governor. In my contacts with Governor Elect, O'Daniel, both by letter and in person, I find an effort on his part to want to sincerely work with the Legislature on the many problems to be met. As for me, I shall support the Governor when I believe he is right and refuse when I believe him to be wrong," Boyer declared.

Progress Of The Home Demonstration Council

The year of 1938, has been a rushed one for the County H. D. Club Council, since its organization in September. The council is made up of the president, and an elected delegate, and alternate delegate from each club. The county now has 9 Home Demonstration Clubs, which makes a total of 27 members.

The council members have a regular meeting once a month. At this time, with the aid of Miss Locke, H. D. agent they form plans with which they hope to extend Home Demonstration work. They plan to extend this work through county-wide cooperation with all rural home makers, and to serve as a medium through which the Agent may receive information through community clubs and give additional help to rural home makers.

Through the efforts of the council an educational exhibit was made at the Tri-State Fair in October. They received \$15.00 for their reward, from the Fair Association. Their exhibit was on Organization. Through posters, and the use of dolls to represent the officers necessary for organizing a club and a council, the exhibit was quite attractive, as well as instructive.

Clothing was the demonstration chosen for this year's work. The ladies have made their own foundation patterns, and in several instances have used them with very satisfactory results. Many are to be made in the future, and those who already have them declare them worth the time and trouble invested in them. Besides the patterns, the construction of pockets, plackets and different seams and finishes, have been studied.

LOCAL GIRL HONORED BY RAINBOW ORDER

Florence Holton was appointed Grand Representative of the Grand Assembly of the State of New Mexico to the Grand Assembly of Rainbow of Texas. This honor has never before been conferred upon this chapter in Spearman.

COMING ATTRACTIONS
ELLIS THEATRE,
PERRYTON, TEX.

Dec. 2-23 — Submarine Patrol with Richard Greene, Nancy Kelly, Preston Foster and George Bancroft.

Dec. 24—Little Orphan Annie with Ann Gillis Robert Kent and June Travis.

Dec. 25-26—A Christmas Carol, story by Charles Dickens.

Dec. 27-28 — Awakening of Katrina—with Franchot Tone and Franciska Gaal.

Dec. 29-30 — Tom Sawyer, Detective—with Donald O'Connor, Billy Cook, Porter Hall and Janet Waldo.

Dec. 31—Heart of the North starring Dick Foran, Gloria Dix-

4-H CLUB NEWS OF YEARS WORK

Enrollment for the coming year is about complete. To date there has been 65 boys enrolled in the three 4-H Clubs in the county. There are 41 boys enrolled in the 3 4-H Clubs in the county. There are 41 boys enrolled in the Spearman Club, 20 enrolled in the Gruver Club and 4 in the Morse Club. Adult leaders for the various clubs are as follows: Spearman, R. C. Bennett; Gruver, Arnold Ferguson; Morse, W. A. Gillispie.

Ben and Jack Gillispie, president and Secretary, respectively of the Morse Club, recently sold their beef calves for \$7.50 per hundred. The boys paid \$30.00 each for the calves, which weighed approximately 340 pounds and placed them on grass pasture in April. The calves were run on sudan pasture during the summer and on wheat pasture this fall. The calves were pastured for 222 days and gained an average of 1-1/2 pounds per day. After deducting operating expenses, pasturage at .75c per month and 8 per cent interest, Ben's calf made a profit of \$9.00 and Jack's calf gave him a profit of \$5.36. This type of commercial beef production is well adapted to this county, and will ordinarily return a good profit.

Nine 4-H club boys in the county have seeded 395 acres of wheat this fall, and practically all of them have good prospects for a crop. The following boys have sowed wheat; Edward Raf-

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4-H Clubs In Hansford County

There are seventy girls in Hansford county belonging to the 4-H Clubs. There are three of these clubs in this county. Clothing was the demonstration chosen for 1938.

4-H work has not had an opportunity to be developed to any great success because of the limited amount of time since the organization. Their goals in clothing are: (1) Equip sewing box, (2) learn to use thimble, (3) keep clothing in good condition, (4) make shoe rack, (5) make cup towel (6) make dress, (7) exhibit articles or garments made.

In spite of the handicaps, the beginners have finished a tea-towel embroidered with a simple design, and the second group have completed a print dress. The sponsors working with these girls are vitally interested in them and besides other contacts have given them a recreational party.

Wells To Speak At Press Meet.

CANYON, Dec. 20—H. Deskin Wells, president of the Texas Press Association, will address the Panhandle High School Press Association and the student body of WTSC on Feb. 4, the date set for the annual meeting of the high school journalists.

Delegates from the Lyxx staff will attend the session.

Community Christmas Tree To Be Saturday Night Dec. 24th

Spearman's annual Community Christmas tree will be held at the school auditorium Saturday evening December 24th. The program for the tree is in charge of the Spearman Music Club.

Each year the Community tree is sponsored by the Lions Club, assisted by the various churches.

Community Tree At Pringle Friday

Sponsored by the Sunday School and PTA organization, a Community Christmas tree will be held at the Pringle school auditorium Friday evening December 23. The program will be in charge of the teachers of the Pringle school.

Auto Accident Victim Dies At Amarillo

AMARILLO, Dec. 20—J. L. Lewis, Dumas, died in a local hospital today of injuries received when he was struck by a car on Highway 66 east of this city Sunday morning.

Lewis is a brother of Ray Lewis, GRUVER, TEXAS.

Mrs. E. D. Clements went to Amarillo Wednesday to bring her daughter Rosa Lee and Martha Delon Kirk home for the holidays.

Legion Plans Xmas Party At Childress

Legionnaires and auxiliary members of Hansford county received invitations this week to attend the 18th district monthly social meeting of the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary which will be held in Childress next Tuesday night, December 27th.

A buffet supper for all visitors, very brief business session and a gala Christmas holiday dance will feature the program. Jerry W. Debenport, post commander of Cox-Fury Post in Childress promises this to be the greatest Christmas party ever held in the 18th district; the greatest social event of the closing year of 1938!

The buffet supper is scheduled from 7:00 until 8:30 in Fair Park Auditorium. The business session will be very brief; and will be followed by the dance, beginning at 9 o'clock.

Fair Park Auditorium has one of the best and largest hardwood floors in all of West Texas, accommodating 400 couples easily. Music for the dance will be furnished by Harve Walker and his 12 piece orchestra, plus special entertainers for this occasion. Childressites will join the visitors from 35 legion posts; the occasion being one of the highlights of entertainment during the holiday season in Childress. Members of the Legion and Auxiliary from the 18th district are cordially invited to attend all festivities by Debenport and Mrs. Frank Decker, president of the Legion Auxiliary in Childress.

OVER 5 INCHES SOAKS GROUND AT SPEARMAN

The dry north plains area is soaking up today (Thursday) under a blanket of snow which fell Tuesday. The fall which measured close to 5 inches and left moisture measuring .55 inches, began falling at about 5 a. m. Tuesday morning. The snow continued heavy until noon, and during the afternoon the fall was slight up to 4 p. m.

The snow at Guymon and Dalhart measured 7 inches but hardly covered the ground at Borger.

Farmers Insure Wheat For Coming Year

Texas wheat farmers have stopped worrying so much about the weather. Their winter wheat crop is insured for 1939, and their premiums are paid.

Although commercial insurance has for many years been available to handlers of farm products after these products left the farm, it was not until this year that farmers were offered this same protection for their growing wheat crop.

The Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 set up the Federal Crop Insurance Commission, with a capital stock of \$100,000,000 subscribed by the United States of America, and an appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30 was provided, not to exceed \$20,000,000.

More than 3,600 Texas growers have paid premiums for such insurance on the winter wheat crop to be harvested in 1939, and about 359,000 acres in Texas are safeguarded against crop failure according to information sent to the Texas A. and M. College campus headquarters of the AAA by E. R. Duke, state crop insurance supervisor with offices in Amarillo.

Deadline for paying 1939 premiums was November 19. Next step in the program is to pay losses as they occur, Duke said.

Authors of the plan point out that farmers for years have wanted crop insurance but that attempts to make it available on the basis of dollars was discouraged by the usual fluctuations in farm prices.

Consequently the federal insurance pattern deals entirely in terms of wheat. The farmer is insured on so many bushels of wheat an acre—up to 75 percent of his average yield. Premiums are measured on the basis of past loss in bushels of wheat. The farmer pays premiums on the basis of so many bushels of wheat and the reserve that stands behind his policy is carried in actual wheat in storage.

Policy-holders do not have to bear any overhead or storage costs. In effect the plan is a farmer's mutual insurance company with nation-wide resources to cover losses.

If the farmer doesn't have any wheat with which to pay his premium, he simply translates the bushels due into dollars at the going market, and pays in the cash equivalent. Then the FCIC invests the dollars in wheat.

If the farmer has a loss, the FCIC pays him back either in actual wheat, or if it is more convenient, in the amount of wheat that is due him at the going market.

After the premium is paid the policy goes into effect the day the seed goes into the ground—against all crop hazards: grasshoppers, jack rabbits, blow, freezing, drought, flood, rust, hessian fly, chinch bugs and all other forms of crop destroyers which the grower's individual efforts cannot counteract.

"As this insurance actually works out, heaviest payments to the grower to cover crop losses are apt to come when a short crop makes wheat worth more than the average value of the wheat from which premium payments were made," George Slaughter, chairman of the state AAA committee, explained. "Already this advantage is being illustrated by some Texas growers who have paid for the 1939 policies and are now selling low-priced wheat to pay advance, the premium for insurance on the 1939 crop."

REV. DOYEL A SUNDAY

Rev. Matthew ed services at house last Dec. 17

Here's hoping Marvin will be in the battle line fighting for Panhandle Farmers, Panhandle Business Men and Panhandle Citizens until the people of the nation draft him for the President of the U. S.

THE YULE LOG

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6TH YEAR



For the sixth time, Don't Name It, Allias Honest Bill, extends the greetings of the season "Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year" to the readers of the Spearman Reporter.

Here's hoping I can continue the publication of this annual Christmas Yule Log until 1968, when I plan to retire and live on my Government income. Social Security.

For six years I have been predicting a "white Christmas." 3 of these years the prediction has been correct... including this year.

This proves my contention to the Spearman Lions club that I am always fifty per cent RIGHT.

To Rev's. Bevo Brown and Matther Doyel—Boys if you can take it—you had just as well prepare to see me at church at least one service each Sunday next year—if I am in Spearman. And here's hoping I am more than fifty per cent right in that resolution.

There will be more SNOW before Christmas—and I hope I am 1,000 per cent correct.

The Allotment checks will arrive before April—and I hope I am two months right.

Spearman will win the basketball tournament here in January. Course I don't deserve special praise for making such a forecast—it is inevitable. I hope, I hope, I hope.

We will beat Perryton and Panhandle, Phillips and all other football teams beginning with a Capital P during the coming football season of 1939.

One sour note—the price of wheat is not going to be very high after harvest, sorry.

We can't fish in Lake Marvin

EDITORIAL

Editors Note: The editorial printed below was written by Elizabeth Ann Miller. It was not written as an editorial, but just a part of a letter from a College girl to her parents. The Editor of YULE LOG, decided it was much better than he could prepare.

CHRISTMAS

Oh! I can hardly wait to get home and see the lights and decorations and really know Christmas. You know, some people don't get the idea of Christmas at all: all they think about Christmas is Santa Claus, getting presents, and having a swell, happy time. Celophane and tinsel, colored balls—shiny stuff. Eggnog. Having a hilarious time. Slapping each other on the back. Throwing a big dance on Christmas eve. That's the way so-called moderns in big cities do. They don't realize that under all the glitter and celebration, there is one real, holy reason for Christmas.

Well, I may be old-fashioned, but I'm sticking to the old Christmas story. The quiet deep knowledge that it is God's birthday. Christmas time has a deeper meaning than any other time. It is a time for all who love each other to be together at home where there is fulfillment and joy and light and warmth and candles and music. Isn't it mysterious, oh so richly beautiful, on Christmas eve night when there is snow—perhaps, wonderful Christmas Carols, a star in the east, and the thought that everything in the world is alright? Why, one, if he has imagination, can hear the tinkle of sleigh bells and reindeers over the house-tops on Christmas eve. And Dickens Christmas story and Fruit Cake! I'm coming home, where happiness and beauty and love are. I am going to give everything I can, and Christmas eve night we are going to sit around the fire and talk and listen to the radio, and play and sing. Gray and I are going to love the tree. I am even going to hang up my stocking before I go to bed. Don't people seem friendly and nice on Christmas? Yes, Christmas is beautiful.

Set This One To Music



MARVIN JONES

HE'S a Santa Claus
If there Ever was One
If there Ever was One
IT'S OUR OWN MARVIN JONES.

And if you want to get the Christmas spirit—as it should be g-o-l-d-e-n—you will sit down and write our Congressman today and thank him for the many wonderful things he has done for the 18th Congressional District.

Congressman Jones has been more than A Santa Claus—because we know of his work, his planning, his help nearly every day of the year—His influence, his talent and the gifts that have come rolling into our district deserve the highest praise.

Here's hoping Marvin will be in the battle line fighting for Panhandle Farmers, Panhandle Business Men and Panhandle Citizens until the people of the nation draft him for the President of the U. S.

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We thank you for your patronage during the past year, and wish for you and yours a full measure of the season's choicest delights.

Phillips Retail Station



It was years ago that we wished our first "Merry Christmas." Today, as we did then, we sincerely hope that the coming year will mean continued prosperity and happiness for you and your friends. We are content if we have, in some measure, made your daily life more pleasant.

Burran Bros. Grocery & Market

Large Group Of Friends And Relatives Present At Anniversary Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Odom, who live in the Callisburg community near Whitesboro, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Sunday at their home. Their children and a number of relatives attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Odom were married Dec. 9, 1888, at Dexter in Northwest Cooke county. For the past 45 years they have lived at their present home.

A dinner was served at the noon hour and the afternoon was spent in recalling past experiences.

Attending were the following children: Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Layton and son, James and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Odom and son all of Denison; Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Case and children, Dorothy Lee and LeRoy of Callisburg; Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Odom and son, Raymond Monroe of Greenville; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Odom and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Dozier and children, Doris Ruth and Wilma Jean all of Whitesboro; Mrs. S. W. Layton and daughter, Bertha Ruth of Rigby, Okla.; and Mrs. Charmain Odom Lyles of GRUVER, TEXAS. Her two children Faerene and George were unable to attend.

Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Hackler and daughter, Doris of Childress; Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Hackler and children Billie James, Margaret, Sonny, Dorothy and Betty Jean; Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Mask, Mrs. Emma Mask and Miss Katherine Mask, all of Gainesville; W. H. Hackler Mr. and Mrs. Moses Harris, all of Ringling, Okla and sons, Jerry and James Ray of Kirkland.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hackler and son, Jimmy of Childress, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Graham of Orr, Oklahoma; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sykes of Seminole, Okla; Mrs. C. H. Riley of Denison.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Layton and children, Guy, Betty Sue and Mary Lou; Mr. and Mrs. R. C.

Hurry, Pop! What's the Reason For All These Fake Whiskers?



Peggy Hopkins Joyce plays hostess to all the Santa Clauses in New York at a luncheon in the Hotel Waldorf-Astoria. Lucky no youngsters were around or there might have been trouble:

What will you answer this Christmas when starry-eyed Junior raises his face and asks:

"Daddy, how come I saw three Santa Clauses downtown today?"

Or: "Mother, why was Santa Claus riding in an automobile today? Are his reindeer hurt?"

Or, looking at a newspaper: "Why was Santa Claus so thin when I saw him on the corner today? He's fat in this picture!"

This is the season when harassed parents must think up quick answers or destroy Junior's faith in St. Nicholas. For Santa Claus, though a messenger of joy, can also be a pest. In Omaha a sympathetic mayor last year ruled that the army of fake Santas must leave the streets, thereby bringing sighs of relief from Mother and Dad.

But in other towns and cities, papa may restrain an impulse to strangle every red-suited gentleman

he meets on the street. To prevent this mass liquidation, thoughtful persons have now offered a solution which has worked before and should work again. When Junior wonders about so many different kinds of Santas, the explanation is that they aren't Santas at all, but just his helpers. Simply wreath your face in a benevolent smile, take Junior on your knee and repeat the following:

"You see, Junior, Santa is a very busy man and he needs lots of help. So he has helpers who ask boys and girls what they want in their stockings."

The only trouble is that Junior may answer:

"Yeah, but papa, why did that man there say that he really was Santa Claus and that he'd be sure to bring me a big train set, an' a lot of toy soldiers and a drum an' a . . . ?"

Maybe the situation is hopeless!

Green and children, Adeline, Virginia Grace, Glenda and R. C. Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Val Winger and children Joette, Ina Marie, Carol Val Dean; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Thomas and children Millard, Velma Fae, Grady and Lola Fern; Mr. and Mrs. John McCormick and son, Clarence.

Miss Morris, Roy Hauser, Mr. and Mrs. Foy Davis and daughter Mr. and Mrs. Sam Allen and children, Fern and Louise; Mrs. Mollie Stubblefield and daughter Orbie Zene Chancellor; Mrs. Dovie Moore and son, Junior; G. W. Phillips and T. M. Moses, all of Whitesboro; Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Ayres of GRUVER, TEXAS Mr. and Mrs. Doulie Brown of Fort Worth.

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CATHOLIC

Catholic services will be held at the District court by the Rev. Fr. Andrew Borner each third Sunday of the month. Father Andrew Borner will officiate. Services begin at 10:30 a. m.

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TRY EVERY BRAND OF GASOLINE

I'm safe saying that. My own customers won't do it. That's what they're through doing. Maybe they thought it was just another one of their guesses the first time they drove in here for my Special Winter Blend Conoco Bronz-z-z. Now they know they've got the right one, and every cold morning tells them so, and they're getting swell mileage along with starting that never misses. I've even got one man that always had heat in the garage, but keeps it off now, and saves the expense, and tells me the car never used to start up near as fast as it does on Conoco Bronz-z-z. He's one of the ones that keep sending me in other people, which is a heap sight better than my trying to out-yell all the different brands of gasoline.



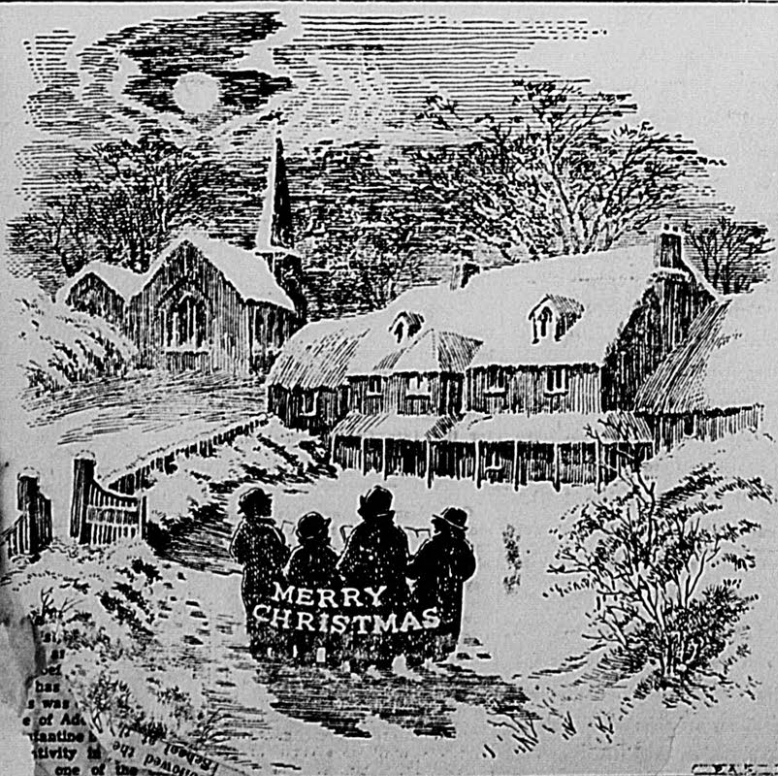
SPECIAL WINTER BLEND



Christmas Greetings are again in order . . . may we offer ours? You folks have been awfully good us this season so it's about the least we can do. What we're getting at in this peculiar way is MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

Kirk's Conoco Station

To You—An Old-Fashioned Greeting



May happiness and good health come to you in abundance . . . may prosperity smile on you, may your every day be one of contentment . . . your friends a source of constant pleasure . . . A new year wish from—

The Courthouse

A. F. Barkley, County Judge
F. J. Hoskins, County and District Clerk
Joe Hatton, County Agent
Mrs. May Jones, County Treasurer
T. D. Sansing, County Attorney

The Sheriff's Office
Hix, Fred, J. B. and Buster

COMMISSIONERS

C. W. King, Coy Holt, Vic Ogle and O. L.

Merry Christmas

1938 1938



Decorate the halls with boughs of holly

To you we send a cheery holiday greeting and express the hope that our paths will meet often

Wardrobe Cleaners

Judge Roy Archer's Son Memorialized By Court

Branchford L. Archer, 21, son of District Judge and Mrs. Roy C. Archer, who met a tragic accidental gunshot death near here Dec. 1, will be memorialized by resolution written into the Travis county district court records.

An order that the memorial resolution be entered upon the court minutes was signed Wednesday afternoon by Dist. Judges Ralph Yarborough and J. D. Moore, colleagues of the young man's father.

Recounts Qualities

"Whereas, death has laid its hand upon the genial heart of Branchford Roy Archer, son of Judge and Mrs. Roy C. Archer,"

the resolution said, "we deem it entirely appropriate to recall and recount some of the charming characteristics and challenging qualities of this talented young man. His life was not yet in its flower but showed a bud of promise to honor, exalt and bless his race.

"He was born Dec. 25, 1916 and bore a name familiar to all patriotic Texans. His forefathers had fought and bled to free Texas. Branch Archer, a forefather, accompanied Stephen R. Austin on his mission to the U. S. in 1835 and 1836 which secured men, arms and food for the embattled Texans. Osceola Archer was one of the greatest lawyers of early Texas. Many other distinguished men of this distinguished line have enriched Texas by their intellect and labor.

court of Travis county, Texas, order that these resolutions be spread upon a page of the minutes of the 126 judicial district court for Travis county, Texas, the judicial district over which his distinguished father, Honorable Roy C. Archer, is now presiding. We further order that a copy hereof be furnished the press of the city and the mother and father of the deceased.

JACOBS HELPY-SELFY LAUNDRY

Bring your bed clothing and wash them the Helpy Selfy way when you bring us your regular washing. Charges are very rea-

sonable. Plenty of hot water and conveniences. Beware of desparing about yourself; you are commanded to put your trust in God, not in yourself—St. Augustine.

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Merry Christmas 1938



Happy Christmas to all, and to all a prosperous New Year.

IKE BAGGERLY



The Management and the entire personnel of McClellan Chevrolet Company join in wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We sincerely hope that we may continue to serve you throughout the coming year.

McClellan Chevrolet Co., Inc.

The Famous Dionne Quint Calendars Will Be Here Saturday Ready For Distribution To Our Customers. Call For Yours.

Student at U. T.

"This young man had given generously of his skill and labor in the offices of Lee O. Allen, sheriff of Travis county and James A. Belger, county auditor of Travis county during the years 1935 and 1936. After serving in said positions, he attended Cumberland university at Lebanon, Tenn., receiving his diploma therefrom in 1938; he then entered the University of Texas and was engaged in his studies at that institution at the time of his untimely death.

"Polished, cultured, and refined in presence and bearing, he suggested the easy achievements of the highest points of mental and moral attainment. Gentle, kind, and affectionate, he invited, won and held the confidence and esteem of his friends. We submit to his loss as a manifestation of the wisdom of the Creator. But in doing so we ask that it be

Ordered on Minutes

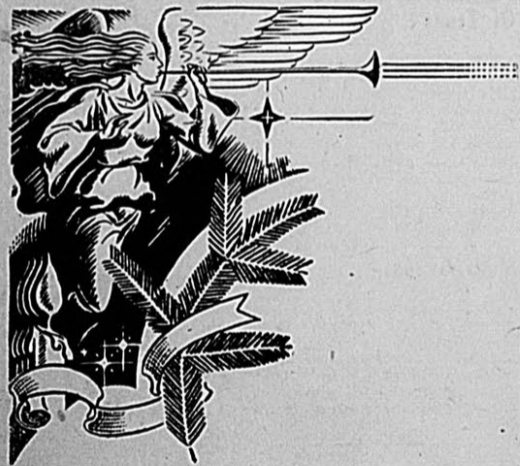
"Therefore, we Ralph W. Yarborough, judge of the 53rd judicial district court of Travis county Texas, and as presiding judge of 3rd administrative judicial district of Texas; and J. D. Moore, judge of the 98th district



Christmas would be incomplete unless we expressed our deep appreciation for your patronage, and wished you and yours the most of Christmas joy.

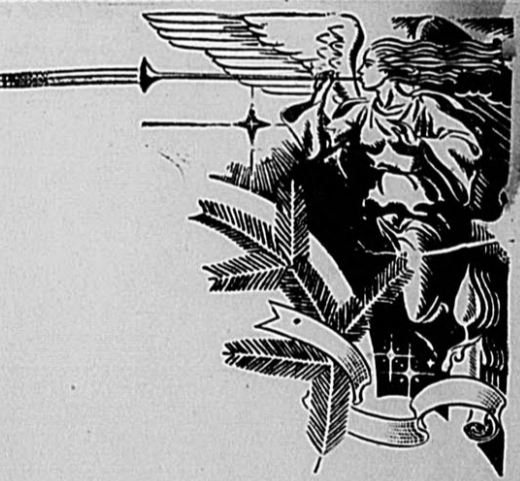
Frank Hardin

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Peace on Earth,
Goodwill toward
Men.

Join us in that prayer that war disappear and peace reign supreme.



We wish to take this opportunity to thank those who have made the year just passed a successful one for so many of us. We wish also to pledge our cooperation in making the coming year even more joyous than the one just passed.



R.L. McClellan Grain Co.

THE LYNX

READ WHAT YOUR BOYS AND GIRLS ARE DOING IN SCHOOL

Lynx Place Second In Perryton Tournament, Saturday

Spearman To Hold Basketball Tourney January 6th and 7th

High School Assembly Met Monday

The High School had a chapel program Monday morning. Mr. Finley reported on the fine sportsmanship displayed by all of the participants in the Perryton tournament. The program was turned over to Mr. Graves, coach of the girls' basketball team, who made announcements of future games to be played in Spearman. Julia Kern and Ledru Jacobs who made the all star teams at the Perryton tournament, were given loud applause of praise by the student body. The program was turned over to Tad Platt, who reported on previous games and on games to come. It was announced that the Spearman tournament will be held Jan. 6-7, the week end after we come back to school after the holidays.



Season's Greetings to All + 1938

... from the Lynx Staff

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The Spearman Lynx is going places in basketball this year. They have gone to tournaments and have brought back two trophies. The boys were second in the Perryton tournament last weekend.

They defeated Perryton 28-18 in their opening game at 8 o'clock Friday morning. They led out on Berger 19-21 on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. We say this was the best game of the tourney. The Lynx matched with White Deer after noon at 3 o'clock, and again victorious, the game ending with Lynx 21-15. Spearman met Perryton in the final also their first defeat of the season, which up to now has been 12 games. Spearman defeated by a score of 14 to 8. A fact which makes us angry every time we think of it. We are looking forward to when we shall meet them again. We also promise to make a much better showing. Winning second was honor considering the team had to play. If everyone yelled as loud as Miss Hawkins I am sure we would have won. place. Jacobs, was placed on all star team.

Exchange

—Grace Sheets
ONLY YESTERDAY
Only Yesterday
I heard an argument
Between Two men who write
And One was a purist
And One was a subjectivist
Who Writes what he likes
And Rides mercilessly
Over The Souls of grammarians
Said the priest
"You My pretty subjectivist
My Splitter of infinitives,
My Misplacer of modifiers
Are an anarchist;
You Have no respect
For The Laws of our language
Answered the Subjectivist
"No. My doddering purist
I Am no law-breaker
I am the law.
If I Split an infinitive
It Is to make room
For A better word.
If I misplace a modifier
It Is because it is more easily
Found After being misplaced
I Write as I please
And Let who will
Read and understand."
—Journalism news.

add 2 cups of self control for a relish. Let it cook six weeks and serve it hot on the report card.
—The Pirate

A college paper is a great investment;
The college gets all the fame
The printer gets all the money
And the staff gets all the blame.
—The Wichita

Marriage is an institution.
Marriage is love, love is blind
therefore marriage is an
Institution for the blind.
—The College Star

You see a beautiful girl walking
down the street
She is singular and you are
nominative—
You walk across to her and she
is verbal—
So you become dative—if she
isn't objective,
You become plural,
And walk home together.
Her mother is accusative and
you become imperative—
You talk of the future and
she changes to objective
You become masculine and
kiss her—
Her father becomes present—
And You Become Past Participle
—Scribbler's

To thin—don't eat fast.
To the fat—don't eat—fast

What You Isn't
Never be what you isn't
Always be what you is.
'Cause if you is what you
isn't,
Then you isn't what you is.

Lives There A ?
Lives there a student with
Soul so dead,
Who never to himself hath
said,
"To heck with studies,
I'm going to bed."
—Stolen

Slinky, slimy, little worm,
How you tinkle when you squirm
Down beneath my skin so deep
While in my quiet grave I
sleep.

Oh, thou grimy parasite,
Cleaning bones with all your
might
But when on my brain you
carve,
Alas, my worm, you will starve!
—McMurry War Whoop

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hatton left
Wednesday for Abilene to visit
his people. On Sunday they will
go to Amarillo to visit Mrs.
Patton's people.

The Lynx are looking forward to their own tournament, which is next on the schedule. It is our aim to have a larger tournament than ever before. We also intend to win it although it will have better teams present than any that we have attended this year. There is some talk of getting warm-ups for the Spearman Lynx. If any team ever needed them, we certainly do. We hope we can get another trophy at our tournament and we think we can.

Samplings

DID I FORGET SOMETHING?

It was just two days until Christmas and Mrs. Prattlemore was busily doing her last minute shopping. Not that she hadn't been shopping and buying presents two weeks before then, but she had just remembered some of her so-called society friends that might turn their noses another three inches higher if she didn't give them a Christmas gift of some kind. Of course she didn't have to give them an expensive present, just something to make them remember her. Yes, just some little inexpensive present like a string of pearls or a diamond necklace.

It was getting quite late in the day and Mrs. Prattlemore had to be getting home to her work. Yes, she had to go home and feed the goldfish, and then her day's work would be done. She was just on the verge of calling a taxi when she stopped and said to herself, "Now did I forget something?" I Wonder? Then she thought over all of the gifts and presents that she had bought for all of her family, relatives, and "noselifters." Satisfied that she hadn't forgotten a single thing, she started for the taxi station. She did not however, even so much as notice a sign on a window close by which said, "Help those who won't have any Xmas and she suddenly took a bad case of coughing when she passed the Santa Claus with the pot for money.

Mrs. Prattlemore had forgotten something—after all—she had forgotten (or didn't want to remember) those who were unable to have a good Xmas. Christmas to her was a contest to see who could give and receive the most presents. Let us hope there are not very many people in the world like Mrs. Prattlemore and remember that we are not the only ones who like Christmas.

Harold Graves

Christmas is celebrated as the anniversary of the birth of Christ. That day, which is commonly Dec. 5, is marked as a day for helping others, exchanging gifts, and making merry.

Several dates were set aside for Christmas; but, finally, Dec. 5 was adopted. It is not known whether this date is correct. The main importance of Christmas is the Christmas spirit.

It is the spirit of giving. The spirit should be also, to help people and to love other people.
—Robert Harbour.

Lynxettes Lose Conference Game Monday

Monday night the Lynxettes played Morger, losing 22-16. It was a close hard-fought game every minute of the time. Janelle Womble led the scoring with 6 points. A preliminary game between the 7th graders and freshmen was played, the frosh winning 6-3. After the girls game the town team played the Gruber teams.

Seventh Grade

Everyone is just getting over the exhibit and is looking forward to Christmas. For the exhibit we had the girls exhibit the things they had been doing in Art. The boys displayed some of their work in Manual Training. The little tree laughed delight-

Through the Keyhole

Mrs. Caldwell, the way to a student's heart is through his stomach.

William must have been an awful boy to receive the present he did at the Senior party.

We wonder why Clifton receives so many phone calls during civics class.

Fran and Louise are wonderful cooks, and it is said, "A hint to the wise is sufficient."

Julia, I heard that your candy was wonderful but your popcorn was terrible.

It is very romantic to hold hands in front of a Christmas tree, isn't it L. M.?

Book of the Week

—Betty Morton

"A Christmas Carol" by Chas. Dickens. Yes—rather a strange story, yet didn't you learn something? You say, "The ghost of Jacob Morley and the three spirits, ghost of Christmas past, ghost of Christmas present, and ghost of Christmas yet to come, were all just in a bad nightmare brought on by Scrooge's cold. Perhaps, but just the same, they accomplished their purpose what ever they were. Oh, haven't you read 'The Christmas Carol'?" I'll tell you about it then. Scrooge! a squeezing, wrenching, grasping, scraping, clutching, covetous old sinner! He was said to have a heart as hard as the hardest steel, no warmth could warm him, no winter cold could chill him. He stayed the same, cold, hard and indifferent.

One night as Scrooge came home from his business, he started imagining things. First the door knob looked like his dead partner Morley, and then he heard queer sounds. Scrooge was sitting by his small fire eating gruel when he heard the sound of chains being dragged across the floor. He looked all of his doors and windows and sat shakily with fright. Presently the sound came nearer and nearer, and finally he saw the ghost of his partner come through the door with a chain of iron money bags, safes, and heavy money, dragging behind him. The ghost sat down and stared at Scrooge with fixed eyes. The spectre talked with Scrooge and told him that he had a chance to save himself from the fate of his dead partner. He said that for three nights Scrooge would be visited by 3 spirits, the ghost's of Christmas past, Christmas present and the ghost of Christmas yet to come. Then the ghost of Jacob Morley disappeared. As he had predicted these ghosts came.

The ghost of Christmas past brought back memories of childhood and young manhood to Scrooge; the ghost of Christmas present made Scrooge very sorry; the ghost of Christmas yet to come made Scrooge very sad and afraid, but all three spirits made Scrooge a better man.

Scrooge had no further association with spirits, but lived upon the 'fatal abstinence principle' ever after. It was always said of Scrooge after his change that he knew how to keep Christmas well if any man did. "May that truly be said of us, and all of us."

Julia Kern Makes All Tournament Team

Friday and Saturday the Lynxettes also attended the Perryton tournament. Julia Kern was highly honored by being placed on the All-tournament team. The girls won their first game Friday at 3 o'clock from Morse by a score of 22-19. Janelle Womble was high point with 9 points. Saturday at 4 o'clock the team played Canadian and lost a hard fought battle 18-16. Julia Kern took scoring honors with 5 field goals and 1 free toss. The girls do not feel badly about losing this game and promise to give Canadian a tussle the next time.

The Brightest Room Of All

Speaking of rooms decorated to fit Christmas, I should say Mrs. C. E. Campbell's room is the most beautifully arranged. In the center of the room is a shapely tree covered with red, blue and silver icicles, and sparkling snow. Nuts and candy canes wrapped in bright cellophane, reflect the light of the colored bulbs only add to the brilliance of the tree. In the back of the room stands the sand table, in the center of which is seen a Christmas scene with Santa and the reindeer. Below the top of the table is the Nacimiento, or the representation of the birth of Christ. On the blackboard just above the table is painted the star of Bethlehem shining over the tow and the shepherds all are kneeling down and looking up at the star. The scene is painted in colored chalk. From the top of the blackboard and from one side of the room chains, brilliantly colored, are looped together and connected to a large red bell just above the tree.

A cleverly designed Christmas border is formed around the blackboard of the room. The windows are decorated with Xmas trees, candles and wreaths. A room decorated more suitably or your friends a sou year wish fr

Glorious Christmas

Beautiful thoughts!
Bringing to many the cheer
they need,
Giving a smile where often
'tis missing,
Stopping the world in its
blind greed
Of buying,
Of selling,
Of getting
All that is within its power.

Christmas wishes!
Beautiful thoughts!
Of love
Of Peace
Of good will toward men
Glorious Christmas!

Future Homemakers Of Texas

The FHT club had a Kid Party Dec. 13. There were forty little girls present. The children all came dressed in kid clothes with their dolls and balloons. They played kid games, after which Santa Claus came. He had a toy for each child. Lovely refreshments were served and the children left for home at an early hour.

Sixth Grade

The 6th grade had a very nice art exhibit. The class has made five notebooks. Mrs. Gunn gave a prize for the best boys music notebook and the best girl's notebook. Those who the prize were Dorothy Bradford and Frank Porter.

Santa Won't Miss 'Farthest North' U. S. Community

PENASSE, MINN.—Youngsters living in this isolated community are quite confident Santa Claus won't pass them by this Christmas. Penasse, you see, is St. Nicholas' first stop in the United States, and the farthest north point in the nation.

The bewhiskered gentleman abandons his reindeer before he reaches Penasse each year, because the deep snow usually hampers even those sturdy steeds. He travels by ski-equipped airplane, flown to the isolated village twice each week from Warroad.

Penasse's only other visitor in the winter is Indiana Pete, a trapper living on a nearby island in the Lake of the Woods. The postmistress is Miss Helen Arnold, twenty-two, who admits business isn't very rushing—even at Christmas time.

SIDE LIGHTS

By MARVIN JONES

I believe that the Interstate Commerce Commission should require railroads to make a blanket reduction in all export freight rates on agricultural commodities.

This would be in line with present freight reductions which already apply to industry. It would stimulate the exportation of farm products, and by enlarging traffic, would benefit the railroads as well.

In the grain rate hearing decided July 1, 1930, Commissioner Lewis of the Interstate Commerce Commission, in concurring with the majority opinion, uses this language:

"Our carriers have extended—and we have not interfered—to manufacturers of iron and steel articles, automobiles, and farm machinery, rates 25 per cent lower on exports than on domestic shipment. If the same principle were here applied to wheat and its products it would have a vast beneficial result."

As industry has these reduced export rates, why should not the same reductions be given wheat and cotton and other farm commodities going into export as a simple matter of justice?

In several speeches on the floor of the House in 1930, 31-32 and 33, I called attention to these rank discriminations against the products of the farm and I urged the old Farm Board to apply to the Commission for a correction of these injustices.

Last year I succeeded in placing an amendment in the Farm Act which makes it the duty of the Secretary of Agriculture to apply for correction of these discriminations to the end that agriculture in the freight rate structure may be placed upon a parity with industry. This is but another step in the long fight for equality.

It is very encouraging that the people of the South and Southwest have become aroused to the great injustice that has been done them during these years. It affords real hope that the situation may be corrected.

LETTER TO SANTA

DEAR SANTA:
I am 8 years old and have been a good boy. Bring me a pair of skates and a big rubber ball. Lots of candy, nuts and fruit will suit just fine.
Gene E. Newcomb

AUTO LIGHTS

In the driveway of Tech high
A stubborn auto stands;
Nick Deare, a mighty man is he,
With trouble in his hands,
The carburetor seems to be
The cause of all his woe;
He tightens half a dozen bolts
But still it doesn't go.
He sits beside the school to give
His brain a chance to cool,
He ponders on his training
In the auto school.
And then he starts his job once
more,
And just by chance it seems,
The cause of all his trouble it;
He's out of gasoline.

Frank Inkman has been working on a flat tire for five weeks. P. S. it's still flat.

(Dedicated to Mr. Finley)

History is a dead subject.
It died across the sea.
It killed the Greeks and Romans.
And now it's killing me.
—Tech Hi Bulldog

Here's How It's Done
2 cups of good attitude
3 cups of hard work
1 1-2 cups ambition
1-2 cup neatness
5 tablespoons of attention
3 cups of fresh air and sun
1 1-2 cups of sleep
Mix well with courtesy mixer;

SENIORS

The room mothers, Mrs. Bob Archer and Mrs. Walter Wilmethe gave the Senior Class a lovely party Monday night. Everyone enjoyed the table games, which included checker, Fiddlesticks, Monopoly, and Jig-saw puzzles. After the games refresh-

ments of sandwiches, salad, cake hot chocolate or coffee, and candy were served.

Gifts were exchanged by the class. The room mothers were presented with their gifts from the class, and favors from Mrs. Caldwell were handed to the class.

JUNIORS

are working hard as to be up with for the new year. juniors will be glad vacation to come. out Wednesday 2, 1930. planning a All the think, other s was g pre- nantia's g y e- tivity is one of the oldest ndom and has a od. The orig- standing but it additions.

about your making biscuits?
Does L. M. like biscuits.
Bob, do you still want to move to Canadian, I wonder why?
Merle, you seem to be going south a lot, What for?
Janelle, I guess Joe will have to quit basketball because your ruining your voice.
Ann, what do you want for Christmas.
Allison, I think Doris Jean is a cute kid, don't you?
Doris Jean, why do you always Annie, Meenie, Minnie, Mo Allison to win instead

Wed. 12:30-1:30 p.m. adding

FROSH

MEET: Geneva Mackie
Geneva was born March 8, '25 at Pampa, Texas. She has always attended Spearman schools. Geneva has blonde hair and hazel eyes.

study. With at dar

BLDGGETT

J. P. Patrick spent a evening Tuesday with Mrs. A. D. Reed at the PTA program Tuesday at Spearman.

HOLT NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Powell were having some carpenter work done on their house the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Carter Crawford have returned to their homes after a few days business trip to Reed, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Close have as their guests their daughter Mrs. Linn Rogers and Mr. Rogers and son of Wagner, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lee and daughters had as their Sunday night supper guests Mr. and Mrs. John Heath.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Pendergraft and daughter Betty Ruth and James Beck and Mrs. J. R. Kirk visited Thursday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Barton.

Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell

and sons are spending a few days in Jester, Oklahoma where they are visiting relatives and friends. On their return they plan to visit in other Okla. parts.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Batton, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Close, Mr. and Mrs. Linn Rogers and son, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Rosson, Mrs. J. R. Kirk, Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Pendergraft, and daughter, Edgar Fite, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Mose Lamb, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Jackson and daughters, all attended the merchants drawing in Spearman Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. M. C. Scott who has spent the past several days at the bedside of her sister Mrs. A. Duncan in Martha, Okla. returned to her home Monday night.

Mrs. Kiff White and children were shopping in Spearman Tuesday afternoon.

M. W. Lackey made a business trip to Stinnett Monday.

Rev. Doyel, pastor of the Baptist church in Spearman filled his regular appointment at the Holt School house Sunday afternoon. Visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Watt Huffstutter of Spearman.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ownbey and daughter were shopping in Spearman Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Holt honored their son Nolan, with a delightful holiday party Wednesday evening.

Hours of intensive work will be behind the Holt Sunday school and community program when it is presented Saturday night Dec. 24 at 7:30.

Mrs. Charlie Rosson, Mrs. Pendergraft, Miss Winnell Jackson, Clyde Thompson and Charlie Rosson will be in charge of the program.

Santa Claus will have treats for each child in Holt community—He will also deliver gifts to the children from the tree.

MORSE NEWS

—Virgie Lee Dortch

The Morse Boys and girls went to the Perryton Basketball tournament Friday. Our girls played Spearman and only lost by a score of two points with the final score being 20-22 in favor of Spearman. The boys played Gruver and lost to them. Both teams enjoyed the tournament very much and hope to attend another one soon.

Monday night a game of basketball was played between the Sunray High School teams and the Morse teams. Morse won in both games by a large margin.

Mr. and Mrs. Cap Boney of Morse were transacting business in Spearman Monday morning. Rev. McBrayer of Gruver was in Morse Sunday. He delivered a sermon at the School building both morning and evening. Preceding his sermon Sunday evening a Christmas play was presented by the Epworth League.

Mrs. Jess Womble and daughter were transacting business in Amarillo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Womble and Family returned Tuesday morning to their home in New Mexico. They have been here visiting relatives for the past few weeks.

Desmond Kelly and Mr. and Mrs. Forest Cline were visiting in Hooker, Monday.

W. A. Gillipie and Mack Dortch were transacting business in Spearman Saturday.

Mrs. Dane Cambern of Pampa has been visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Womble.

Wayne Kelly of Amarillo was visiting in the home of Mrs. H. N. Kelly over the week end.

PHONE 10 FOR JOB WORK

R. V. CONVERSE SAYS

A reciprocal trade treaty will be executed with Turkey some time in January 1939. When it becomes operative Turkish baths should go on sale at reduced rates.

In a poll taken by Dr. George Gallup, director American Institute of Public Opinion, on the question "Do you think Military training should be part of the duties of the boys in the CCC camps 75 per cent voted Yes, 25 per cent voted no. The depression has wrought a great change in the minds of the American people, it may only be a little while until we will be wondering what democracy really is.

One writer, points out that if left alone Congress will chase Old Age pension rainbows, Farm price panaceas and money tinkering schemes, ending in a tangle of 531 different ideas. We have always been led to believe that Congressmen sleep while in Washington, coming home only to run for exercise in order to more enjoy the next two years sleep.

The Monopoly Committee has found that Big Business is using patents to build monopolies.

The Advisory Council on Social Security are recommending amendments to the social security act that will make the 47 billion dollar reserve fund unnecessary. Sounds like the committee has been fooling around with Dr. Townsend.

Senator Adams of Colorado still thinks the budget should be balanced, rather than a defense program. If we do not strengthen our defense equipment we may not have a budget to balance. Look what has happened to the Chinese budget.

Tony Galento, the 38 pounder is rapidly making a record that will give him a chance at Joe Lewis the heavy weight champion.

Those in the know have passed out the information that Roosevelt's First message to the Congress in 1939 will deal only with a broad objective leaving to Congress the work of the details according to the pressure from home.

Oswald Pirow, defense minister of the Union of South Africa, said in London a few days ago "Europe is drifting into a war: a war which no Nation wants but against which every government is preparing, unless there is a complete change of outlook within the next month or so, the international tension will reach a breaking point during the spring of next year." In that event we may need the 10,000,000 bales of cotton and the surplus of wheat that we now have, if such a thing should occur it is very doubtful if we could keep out of it.

Just learned over the radio there is to be an effort made in the next Congress for the Government to take over the ownership of the Federal Reserve Banks, if this happens we will be getting someplace but where.

Yours, R. V. Converse.

Cooperators At Work

Approximately 125 women are members of some Home Demonstration Club in this county. This shows the interest they have taken since the clubs first organized. Since the adjacent counties have had H. D. Agents for sometime the women were partially interested before their clubs were organized. Since the Program has been outlined to them their interest has developed rapidly.

Clothing was selected as the demonstration for 1938. The co-operators' goals are: 1. To make and use all dress finishes; 2. To learn to make a correct bound

pocket and buttonhole; 3. learn to set in zipper and finish pocket 4. to make a foundation pattern. Some of the cooperators were hard to fit and felt they could not make their own clothes but have found since they made their foundation pattern that making a dress was not only possible, but comparatively simple. Eight foundation patterns have been made and others are planning to make theirs. Thirty-three cooperators kept individual clothing accounts, and 21 kept family accounts. There were 14 closets made and 24 remodeled.

Jacket Completed From Pair of Pants; Wardrobe Now Complete

My youngest son began his first year of school this year and in completing his wardrobe a jacket to match a pair of corduroy trousers was lacking. A pair of trousers had been given to me for this purpose; they matched perfectly in color and design, but in laying out my pattern I found there was not enough material. So they were laid away again.

When our first Home Demonstration Agent, Miss Locke organized the Spearman Club, clothing was selected as the demonstration for the remainder of the year. Miss Locke gave as some of her demonstrations; pockets, seams, button holes, plackets, sewing on of zippers and renovating garments.

Through these demonstrations I received the help needed and the trousers were again brought to light. With much careful planning I was able to get a comfortable and attractive jacket from them, by piecing them in several places. This was covered by placing pockets over the places pieced. The 35c spent for a zipper and the thread was the entire cost of the garment.

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

DEAR SANTA:

I am a 5 year old and have tried to be a good little girl. Please bring me a doll in a suitcase. A sewing set and a set of dishes. Lots of candy, nuts and fruit.

Yours, Mary Beth Newcomb.



On this, the best Christmas of all, we wish to extend to our many good friends our sincere desire for continued good health, happiness and prosperity. The contacts we have had in the past have been most satisfying and pleasant to us, as we hope they have been to you.

Come to our store Thursday, Friday and Saturday for your gift shopping. We have many useful and appropriate gifts left in our large stock.

Spearman Dry Goods Co

ROY RUSSELL



The spirit of Christmas calls us to a better appreciation of old associations and the value of old friendships. May you have a Christmas replete with all the joys life can muster.

White House Lumber Co

RIP DALTON, Mgr.

Season's Greetings

As another glorious Yuletide comes upon us and we look back upon the many friendly relationships we have enjoyed with our customers during the past year, a warm glow of appreciation steals over us. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to have served you and we hope we have done it well. To please you is our constant aim.

May your Holidays be happy days and your New Year bright with the good things of life!



A very merry Christmas and with it our sincere desire that the coming year finds you in the best of health. We shall endeavor just as in years past, to serve you to the best of our ability. Your continued patronage will be appreciated, as always!

HOME BAKERY

GUS McLAIN, Mgr.

CAN you think of a Christmas Present that is a Home?

To be able to buy a home like paying rent is an opportunity to home lovers that has never been offered here before. This is your great opportunity to own a home. Give them the most 'sure-to-be-liked' Christmas Present of all — "A HOME FOR THE FAMILY."

SEE OR WRITE JOHN COLLARD



To all our friends—may this Christmas bring added pleasures of true health and happiness to each and every one of you. And may the coming year be one of lasting joy.

Jacobs Produce

Merry Xmas TO ALL!

1928 - 1938

For the 10th. time we come to the many patrons and friends in Hansford county wishing them a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We are mindful of our obligation to the good friends and we have ever tried to keep abreast with the march of progress in our line. This year we contracted for the nationally known Dry Sheen Process of Cleaning.

The greatest progress in Cleaning during the past century. The Dry Sheen process is aptly called Insurance. It protects your clothes from the harmful cleaning methods, insures cleaner, nicer looking clothes, with longer wear. ODORLESS and COMFORT. We have a complete line of tailored clothes priced from \$20.00 to \$50.00. Order Now. None Better.

CAMPBELL TAILOR SHOP

Phone 113



White House Shares Yule Spirit

WASHINGTON—The holiday atmosphere that grips America each December also finds its way to the White House, home of our chief executives for nearly 140 years and scene of many a colorful Yuletide party in bygone years.

White House history is rich with anecdotes of such gatherings since the building was occupied by the country's second chief executive, John Adams. For his granddaughter, four-year-old Suzannah, President Adams gave the first Christmas party ever held in the White House. Those were the days before the mansion was finished, when Mrs. Adams is said to have hung out her wash in the great East room.

Suzannah's party was a success but one of her guests broke a doll dish belonging to the little hostess. Suzannah retaliated by biting off the nose of the young guest's new wax doll. President Adams had to resort to diplomacy.



Entrance to the White House at Washington as it appears each year during the Christmas season.

Jefferson Played Violin.

Christmas has always aided chief executives in discarding their dignity for a brief return to the simplicity of their childhood days. It was the widower President Jefferson who played the violin for his young guests, and the aged Andrew Jackson threw wide the White House doors to hundreds of orphans who listened to the President himself tell them wild tales of Indian wars.

Dolly Madison, most famous White House hostess in history, was in charge of President Jefferson's party in 1805 when nearly 100 guests were present. Mrs. Madison also served as hostess at 13 other Christmas dinners in the White House during the two terms each of Jefferson and her own husband, James Madison. Once the Madisons had to flee from the mansion when the British invaded Washington in 1812.

Jackson's party for the orphans was inspired by his own sad boyhood. At his party Santa Claus came to the White House as usual, leaving many gifts for the homeless

youngsters. Jackson himself found a cornucopia and warm carpet slippers in his bulging stocking.

Jackson in Snow Fight.

"Old Hickory" is said to have participated in a snowball fight at the party, aided by Vice President Martin Van Buren. As his little guests scattered over the moonlit White House lawn he turned to a friend and said:

"They remind me of the one who came to the knees of Jesus, and of whom He said, 'Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of Heaven.'"

In modern times much more ceremony has been attached to official Washington's celebration of the Yuletide. Each year the chief executive radios holiday greetings to American soldiers, sailors, marines

and diplomatic representatives throughout the world. His most important official duty is a Christmas eve address to the nation, a custom that has probably become permanent.

The nation's "official" Christmas tree in Washington is lighted annually by the President as he participates in colorful ceremonies broadcast throughout the country. During the past decade and a half, four Presidents have used the same switch box for this purpose. Last year a new silver plate was attached to the box bearing the names of these men.

Another recent innovation at the ceremony is the use of a four-toned chime to signal the lighting of the tree. The chimes ring out as the President presses the button lighting the tree, broadcast as a signal to millions of listening Americans.

CHRISTMAS MORNING ECSTASY



"Hello, Santa! Sorry I'm so late but Christmas is just around the corner and I'd like to place my order. Bring me a doll, a teddy bear, a tricycle, a toy piano, a bag of candy, a new dress and a . . . What's that, Santa? Have I been a good girl? Of course I have! Er . . . that is, I hope I have."



"Look at that doll! Santa WAS here last night, wasn't he, mummy? Guess I must have been an awfully good girl to deserve a doll like this! Brown eyes, real hair, a pretty dress . . . n everything!"



"What's this? Another doll! Kind of hard to get it out. Wonder what else is in this big stocking . . . maybe it's the candy I ordered from Santa Claus."



"Whee-e-e! Some tricycle Santa left me. There's so much to play with that I hardly know where to start. Wouldn't it be nice if Christmas came every day? But that would be too much for Santa Claus, and, after all, I'd get kind of tired, too."



"Here it is bedtime already. I've had a busy day but I'm really not tired. Better go to bed, though, 'cause mummy says I should . . . and I really ought to be a good girl after this wonderful Christmas."

SACK DRESS MADE AT LOW COST

One Home Demonstration co-operator has found another use for chick-feed sacks. She has made a practical and attractive dress of these. The dress was used for a street dress during early fall and later was taken for a house dress. It was cut with sufficient fullness to insure comfort as a work dress.

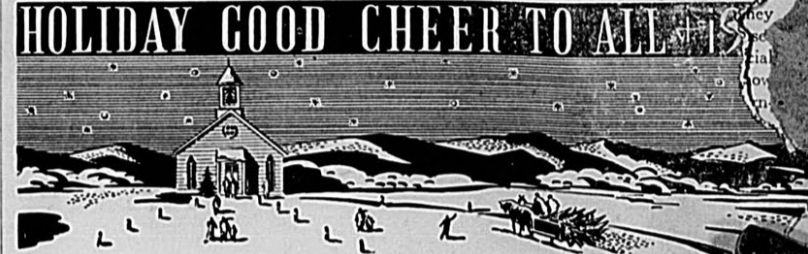
Three one-hundred pound sacks were required to make a size 16 dress. These sacks were of a texture similar to that of a crash material. After they were bleached and made into the dress, rose colored buttons that had been saved from a discarded garment were used for the trimming.

Although Mrs. Schubert, for it was she who made the dress, wore the dress without dyeing it, she plans to dye it later.

1938 Christmas Good Cheer

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WELL, Folks, another year is drawing to a close, and once again it's time for Santa's annual trip down from the North Pole. And once again it's time for us to add our voices to the chorus of "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all."

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KEENE, N. H.—This community is toyland each Christmas season as workers in the toy factories rush to put last-minute touches on miniature locomotives, automobiles—and even auto trailers!

American Turkey Has Foreign Name

You'll eat your turkey and like it this Christmas, but do you know where this festive bird got its name? The turkey is the only species of poultry native to this country. Its name is attributed by some to its call notes, "turk-turk-turk"; others believe that its head ornaments, resembling the fez worn by natives of Turkey, gave rise to its name.

Another explanation is seen in the fact that the first turkeys from America were sold in Spain, largely by Hebrew merchants. Since the bird was frequently confused with the peacock, it is said that the Hebrew traders called it "tukki," their name for the peacock. With the widespread use of this name in English, it easily became the present "turkey."

Christmas Celebration Dates Back to 354 A.D., Roman Records Show

The earliest celebration of the birth of Christ, December 25 of each year, took place in the Fourth century, and the custom spread from the western to the eastern church. Before that date the commemoration of Christ's nativity and baptism took place January 6.

First mention of Christmas is found in a Roman document known as the "Philocalian calendar," in the year 354, and the first English celebration of the festival was in 598, when St. Augustine baptized 10,000 converts.

In 567, the Council of Tours, France, declared a 12-day festival from Christmas to Epiphany, and later, from 991 to 1016, the laws of Ethelred ordained that all strife should cease at Christmas. In Germany, Christmas was established in 813 by the Synod of Mainz, and in Norway by King Hskon the Good, in 950.

'Silent Night, Holy Night'



Members of the choir of St. Vincent of Ferrante lift their boyish voices in the unforgettable melody throughout the United States, church choral groups one of the most popular of Christmas. No church music is better known than the original but it is still a favorite.

Nature's Yuletide Gift



Christmas Everywhere!

—Herbert Hughes, A. M.

"For the Christ child who comes is the Master of all No palace too great, no cottage too small." By the time you read these words, Christmas will be upon us. Truly in the words of Phillips Brooks, it will be "Christmas everywhere." No palace to great no cottage too small.

The year just closing has been a hectic one. War is raging in China and Spain. European nations are consumed with hate and fear. Peace and good-will seem to have vanished from the earth. The nation that gave Jesus to the world is suffering untold persecution. In our own land of great wealth, many thousands, nay millions are in want. And, now, Christmas is here.

There is something about Christmas we cannot resist. Our beliefs about the "Babe of Bethlehem" differ. Millions worship at His shrine. Many others cannot accept Him as other than human, yet even the Jew cannot resist the thrill of Christmas. What was there about that Babe, born of humble parents nineteen centuries ago, that has gripped the world.

Somehow, the birth of that one baby so far away, and all those centuries ago, has made all babies infinitely precious.

The thought of that baby has inspired artists and poets in all the ages since. What great deeds have been wrought in His name! How nobly and magnificently men have died for their faith in Him! Why is it that believers and unbelievers alike yield to the lure of Christmas? What has He given to the world? It is the Spirit of Christmas. But you ask, what is the Spirit of Christmas? It is the Spirit of Peace on earth, the spirit of service. It was the "Babe of Bethlehem" who gave to the world, the "ideal of service." He it was who taught that it is "more blessed to give than to receive."

May all we who read, help to make this the happiest Christmas ever. Let us forget war and hatred and selfishness. This writer wants to take this opportunity to wish all of the people of Hansford County a "Merry Christmas" in the words of old Saint Nick.

"He sprang to his sleigh, to his Team gave a whistle, And away they all flew, like the down of a thistle

But, I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight
Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good night."

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XMAS BRIDGE PARTY

Mattie Lou Easley entertained a few friends at her home Tuesday evening with a Bridge party. The home was decorated with Christmas colors and decorations of Xmas. Playing were Mr. and Mrs. Noel Womble and Harold Womble, Lucile Parsons, Bernice Vernon, Mathew and Daily Easley, Aneron Easley and the hostess. High score award went to Bernice Vernon for the ladies and Daily Easley for the men.

DINNER PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Gibner entertained Friday evening with a dinner at 7:30. Xmas decorations were prevalent.

The table was laid with a white cloth, centered with autumn foliage lighted with white candles in red holders.

Guests enjoying the Yuletide dinner were Messers and Mesdames Lloyd Campbell, Heydon Hensley and Bill Russell.

XMAS PARTY AT VERNON HOME

Members of the Senior class of the Baptist Sunday school, Miss Bernice Vernon entertained with a lovely Christmas party at her

Mrs. Marvin Chambers and daughter are spending the Xmas holidays visiting relatives at Weslaco, Texas.

home Thursday evening Dec. 15. Chinese checkers was the diversion at the party with two high score prizes going to Maxine Allen and Harold Womble. Low score prize was awarded Miss Pearl Locke. Refreshments were served Misses Cleo Leverton, Maxine Allen, Ruby Ruth Kelly, Lucile Parsons, Miss Pearl Locke, Buena Vernon, Carol McClung, T. C. Harvey, Harold Womble, Rev. Matthew Doyel, Dwight Hutchison, Wayne Hutchison and hostess Bernice Vernon.

20TH CENTURY CLUB MET IN JOINT SESSION

The 20th Century Club met in joint session Thursday December 15 in the home of Mrs. E. C. Womble.

Children of the club members rendered the program. Six of Miss Coons pupils appeared in dances. Mrs. Campbell presented the Christmas Story in pagant. A children's chorus sang Christmas Carols.

A business session followed the program of entertainment. The Christmas idea was carried out in all the appointments in blue and white. Colored lights added charm to the festive atmosphere of the house.

Mrs. E. C. Womble and Mrs. Woodville Jarvis were co-hostess for the meeting.

Present were: Mesdames Paul Roach, Frank Hardin, Will Miller, W. R. Finley, Bob Douglas, R. L. McClellan, Raymond Kirk John Allen, S. B. Hale, R. V. Converse, Hix Wilbanks, Bob Morton, P. A. Lyon, Gene Richardson, Ray Platt, Rex Sanders, George Buzzard, R. Phelps, R. B. Archer, Delon Kirk, and the hostesses Womble and Jarvis.

POT LUCK DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hatton entertained the Bid a Bit Bridge Club for their regular dinner for husbands nite Dec. 15.

Xmas decorations were used thru the house and on table appointments.

Guests present were Messrs and Mesdames Bill Hutton, Bill Russell, Lloyd Campbell, Heydon Hensley, Mrs. Gwinfred Lackey and Mrs. Roy Wilmeth.

High score for women went to Mrs. Lloyd Campbell and Mr. Russell.

BOOK CLUB

"The Yearling" by Margaret K. Rawlings was reviewed by Mrs. Bruce Sheets at the Book Club Friday morning.

Mrs. Bill Miller had the meeting, serving a breakfast at 9 o'clock. Members present were Mesdames Bruce Sheets, Fred Hoskins, Gene Richardson, Joe Hatton, Bill Hutton, Lloyd Campbell, C. A. Gibner and the hostess.

E. D. Clements and Frank Hardin returned Saturday from Hot Springs, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Earl Steed spent Saturday and Sunday in Pampa and Groom.

SOUTH EAST H. D. CLUB MET FRIDAY

Mrs. Mearl Beck entertained the South East Home Demonstration Club with a Christmas party Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. M. Blodgett.

The president being delayed Mrs. Carl Hutchison presided. Group singing and the club collect opened the meeting.

A report was given of the foundation pattern school conducted by Miss Barnes. After

the business session, the club achievements were displayed. The suit made of an old cast off coat by Mrs. E. S. Uptergrove was the most outstanding.

A story was given by Mrs. R. V. Converse. After adjournment delicious refreshments were served to Mesdames Patrick, Gowen and children, A. D. Reed, Simm, and Powell guests and J. M. and Deta Blodgett, Earl Church, H. H. Crooks, Graves, Hutchison, Shedeck, Uptergrove, Hix Wilbanks, Converse and Beck.

The club will meet at the home of Mrs. J. M. Blodgett January 3, 1939.

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ferty Jr., 45 ac., Travis Wilson, 30 ac., J. D. Cluck, 40 ac., Ray Mulkin Jr., 20 ac., J. D. Hester, Jr., 60 ac., J. D. Wilbanks, 20 ac., Richard Shedeck, 64 ac., Newell Allen, 30 ac., and J. R. Keim, 86 ac. Richard Shedeck has 116 acres of land rented and J. R. Keim has 155 acres rented. Both boys are complying under the AAA program for which they will receive allotment checks.

Three Gruver 4-H boys have 14 beef calves and are running

Fateful Meeting

By KATHRINE EDELMAN

IN THE graying dusk of a December afternoon the slowly moving figure seemed almost a part of the landscape. Half a dozen cars whizzed by but not one stopped to offer him a lift or ask where he was going. If the Spirit of Christmas, of kindness, was abroad, it was surely passing him up.

Ten minutes more of plodding through the chill, darkening air, and another car came roaring down the road, passing him by as the others had done. The grim lines around his mouth grew deeper, then he heard a loud grinding of brakes.

"Almost passed you up," a gay voice cried.

"Pretty fine of you to stop for an old man." He shuffled into the vacant seat as he spoke.

"Oh, that's nothing," the gay voice was a bit embarrassed. "But I did almost pass you up. With this Christmas business, and the rush and hurry, one could pass up their own mother."

"I like to hear you say that. It's what I've always believed. The fact

AN UNUSUAL STORY FOR CHRISTMAS

is, I was making a bet with a friend about it. What's your name?"

"The name is Tod Jenkins. I'm headed for St. Louis—going home to spend Christmas with mother. I graduated in engineering last June."

"An interesting story." Tod turned to look at the old man as he spoke. He almost swung the car off the slab. "Why—why you look years and years younger than I thought!"

A hearty laugh sounded against the sharply rising wind. The man was speaking again. "I'm not so old, Tod," he said slowly. "I'm a long way from the old fellow you were kind enough to pick up. Yesterday we had an argument at the club. I made a bet with a fellow that I wouldn't have to walk an hour before I would find the Spirit of Christmas. It was rather a crazy thing to do, but I happen to be rather an eccentric scientist. My name is Perry Birch."

"Perry Birch!" Tod's eyes widened in astonishment, and his foot went off the accelerator, bringing the car almost to a standstill before he went on. "Why—why," he stammered, "I've been wanting to meet you all my life. I've read everything you've written—studied your methods and work for years. In fact," his voice grew more embarrassed, "I've been hoping that some day I might follow in your footsteps. The biggest wish of my life is to become a scientist like you!"

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Greetings to You

May the spirit of the season reflect itself in all the happiness, health and joy that surround you and yours at Christmas tide.

Dr. J. E. Gower

them on wheat pasture as a commercial project. J. D. Cluck has four heifers and two steers; Edward Rafferty Jr., has two heifers and two steers; and Clifford Stedje has four steers. J. D. and Clifford are new 4-H members, and both have gotten off to a good start by selecting as their projects something that is practical and likely to be profitable.

C. P. Archer, President of the Spearman Club, recently returned from Chicago, where he attended the National 4-H Club Congress as a guest of the Santa Fe Railway Co. C. P. was awarded the trip because of his outstanding record as a 4-H club boy. There were 39 4-H members who were awarded a trip to Chicago from Texas—and everyone of them had completed one or more successful projects and had kept a good set of records on each.

LADIES NIGHT

The ladies of the Bid a Bit Bridge club gave a Xmas party Saturday night at the home of Mrs. Bruce Sheets with Mesdames Sheets, Hester, Hutton and Lee as joint hostesses.

Dinner was served early in the evening at beautifully decorated tables lighted with candles and then gifts were exchanged from the Xmas tree.

Followed a series of games with Mrs. Gwinfred Lackey being high.

Others playing were Mesdames Lloyd Campbell, Bill Russell, Joe Hatton and John Berry.

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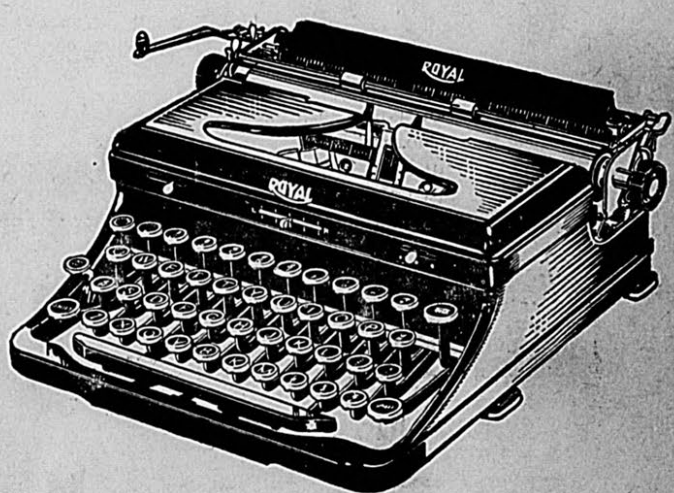
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