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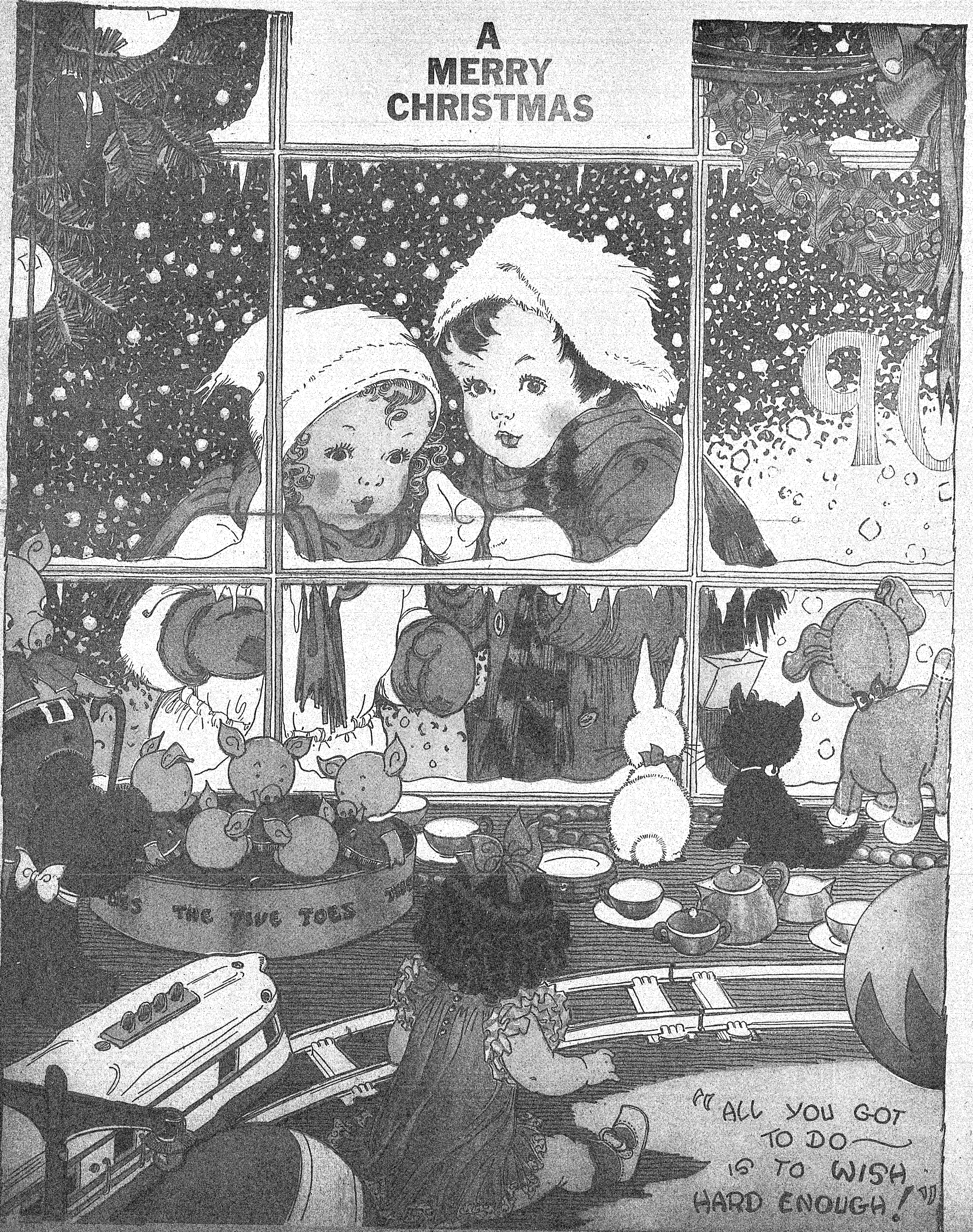
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Best Gifts Not Always on Christmas Trees

By ELEANOR CLARAGE

(Cleveland Plain Dealer)

MISS BEEBE was one person with the real Christmas spirit. Ordinarily she was perfectly content to occupy her small single room at the Augusta P. Scudder Home for Business Women, but weeks before December 25th she began to exhibit a certain sort of restlessness.

She was the first in the house to bring home a wreath from the 5 and 10-cent store and hang it in her window. A sheaf of holly came next, bought on a street corner and pinned on the wall over her dresser. She talked wistfully of the shoppers in the downtown stores and of the children telling department store Santa Clauses what they wanted.

That was why it seemed only fitting and proper that to Miss Beebe would come the blessed privilege of being invited out for Christmas dinner. Her employer, to whom she had been an efficient secretary more than twenty years, got wind of her loneliness and had his wife telephone Miss Beebe, urging her to come and eat turkey with them.

"I declare," said Miss Beebe to the "girls" at the Scudder Home, "it doesn't seem right for this to happen to me, when the rest of you have to stay here."

Pretended Gavety

But the "girls" told her not to be silly. They'd get along all right, they assured her, pretending to be awfully awfully at the prospect of being cooped up there on Christmas Day. Besides, Miss Tally, who was a nurse, had left word in the registry that she'd be glad to take a case over the holidays. She always did that at Thanksgiving and Christmas time, as she said that when you were busy looking after a sick patient, you just didn't have time to feel sorry for yourself.

That would leave Mrs. Rice and Miss Edwards alone, but they would be grateful for each other's society, they said. It was Mrs. Rice's first Christmas since the death of her husband. She had sold her furniture and come to the Home for Business Women, casting her lot with the spinsters there. She used to comfort herself by saying that at least she had the joy of being happily married for a while, so that her life seemed rich and romantic compared to theirs. She and Miss Edwards worked in a big downtown store, so they had known each other for years and were good company for each other.

Christmas Dinner at Home

There was no dining room at the Scudder Home. Each floor contained a kitchen where the inmates could cook their own meals if they felt so inclined. Usually they dined out, but Christmas was different. Mrs. Rice and Miss Edwards didn't want to eat in a restaurant that day. They'd fix their own dinner at home and relax after the turmoil of the December shopping rush.

Then Miss Tally didn't get a call, after all, so she had to stay there, too. ("Can you beat it?" she said. "If I wanted Christmas off, there'd be a flu epidemic or something!") So the three of them decided to chip in and buy a nice thick steak. The oven wasn't big enough to hold a turkey, and, anyway, they said it didn't matter what you ate if you weren't sentimental about Christmas.

When you came right down to it, Miss Beebe was the only sentimental one in the crowd. She surprised them, on Christmas Eve, by setting up a synthetic Christmas tree in the combination kitchen and dining room. They could enjoy it while they ate their

Christmas dinner, she told them, and then she almost cried, to think how lucky she was to be spending the day in some one's home.

Dressed in Her Best Black Crepe

They saw her off after breakfast, dressed in her best black crepe with the embroidered net collar. If they envied her good fortune they kept silent about it, lest their envy detract from her happiness. But they spoke of her often throughout the day, contrasting the glamour of her surroundings with the tiny kitchen that was the scene of their holiday dinner.

Mrs. Rice grew reminiscent about last Christmas. "It was silly, having a big turkey for just the two of us,"

lived in a small town, and our Christmases were like that, too. We used to have lots of snow in those days, and all us children went tobogganing with our new sleds after dinner. Seems as if Christmas was different back in those days."

They got busy with the thick, juicy steak then, and Mrs. Rice beat the potatoes to a state of light, fluffy perfection. She had baked a pie for them, too, and it wasn't such a bad meal after all. Miss Beebe's tiny tree stood in the center of the table and added considerably to the festivity. They ate and ate and talked of other Christmases, sitting over their empty plates late in the afternoon.

The End of a Perfect Day

As they sat in Mrs. Rice's room listening to the radio along about 8 o'clock there was a knock at the door and Miss Beebe peered in at them.

"Well, for pity's sake," shrieked Miss Tally, "what are you doing home at this hour?"

Miss Beebe came in and sat down on the bed. "I thought I'd come back and see how you are making out," she told them. They demanded to know all about everything.

What kind of a time had she had? Was the boss' wife nice and was their home pretty?

"Yes, indeed," she said. It was just gorgeous. The boss' wife is very stunning, and they have a butler. It was all very grand. But—

"But what?"

"But I didn't have a very good time," said Miss Beebe. "I don't know—I can't explain, exactly. They had a big Christmas tree that touched the ceiling, and lots of bells and holly wreaths and everything, but there just didn't seem to be much Christmas spirit. I'll bet you girls had more fun right here."

"Well, I never!" breathed Miss Tally.

"Oh, I don't mean to be ungrateful," Miss Beebe said, hurriedly.

They were just lovely to me, and their home is the most beautiful place I've ever seen. It must have cost at least \$50,000. I guess I missed you girls."



A Surprise

"Well, if you aren't the limit," murmured Mrs. Rice, but you could see that she was pleased. She got to her feet and said, "By the way, is anybody hungry? Cause I've got a surprise for you." She vanished into the kitchen and when she came back, she was loaded down with plates filled with salad, slices of cheese, cookies and what not. "The coffee will be ready in a minute," she told them. "I figured we all might want something so I sneaked out and fixed this stuff up a while ago."

Miss Tally looked out the window and cried, "Look, girls, it's snowing!" She threw the shade up and drew back the curtains. "It's like a real old-fashioned Christmas," she said, softly.

Miss Edwards, busy with the food on her plate, said grudgingly, "Well, I must say I've spent worse Christmases."

Indignantly, Miss Beebe said, "Why this is a lovely Christmas! What more could anyone ask? Here we are together, the four of us, all good friends, and the snow and the music and everything—"

From the radio came the voices of carolers singing that beautiful old Christmas song, "Silent Night, Holy Night," and the music drowned out the rest of Miss Beebe's sentence.

"What was that she was saying?" asked Mrs. Rice.

"I didn't catch it," Miss Tally told her. "It was poetry, I guess—something about fine houses and money not always filling one's heart with the true Christmas spirit."



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she told them, "but Carl loved good food. We went to a show after dinner, and when we came home he looked so tired that I made him lie down. I guess I should have known then that he wasn't well, but I—"

Miss Tally broke in diplomatically as she noticed the tears in Mrs. Rice's eyes. "I was raised on a farm," she said, "and talk about eating—I Well, I just wish you could have seen our Christmas dinners. Such stacks of food, you can't imagine, and relatives driving over in their sleighs, through the snow—"

"I know," Miss Edwards said. "I

Bethlehem Chimes to Ring Over World

By ARTHUR SETTEL

THE little town of Bethlehem, where Christ was born, snuggling in the hills of Judea, five miles south of Jerusalem, again prepares to bring its Christmas message of peace and good-will to a world ridden with war and ill feeling.

Once more, as many times before in the course of the years, this picturesque hamlet with its cobbled streets and ruddy, blue-eyed women who wear the steeply-crowned head-dress of their Frankish ancestors of crusading times, gets ready for the role it plays every year at Christmas time.

To the world, David's Royal City, as Bethlehem is still known, brings its annual, eternal plea to humanity for a better world.

This year, in accordance with newly established custom, the bells of the belfry of the Church of the Nativity will be broadcast over the whole surface of the globe.

Thus, the good tidings will literally be heard by Christians—man, woman and child—in many lands the world over, from Alaska to the farthestmost

corner of Africa.

Townfolk Astir Early

The townfolk of the little hill city of Bethlehem are early astir on Christmas Day.

Married women wear their flowing veils, pinned under the chin and falling backwards over the shoulders. The veil hangs from a little tower held upright like a fez by two cords which tie beneath the chin.

The men wear their gaily colored lafi, the orange-colored turbans bound round their turbans.

Wrapped against the chill air of Christmas-tide, in their sheepskin firwas, they bend their sturdy wrapped shoulders against the bitter wind, swirling down from the mist-wrapped Frank's mountain on the summit of which is the tumbled, desecrated tomb of Herod the Great who once oppressed and harried the little town.

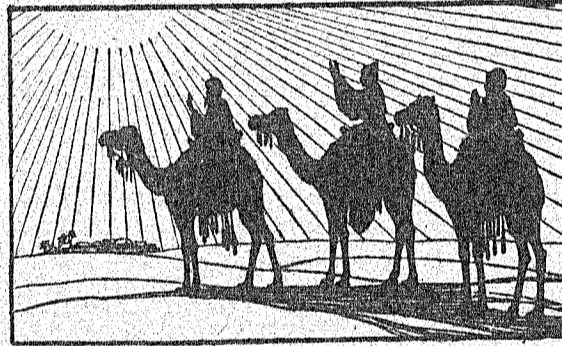
No broad tower or fine dome lends dignity to the austere basilica of the ancient Church of the Nativity which covers the hillside grotto of the Christ Child's birth. Its charm is veiled, its grimness resembling that of a fortress.

East and West Meet

But life moves apace in the forecourt

which a few years ago was still rough-paved. Camels drink from its ancient well. Caravans and motor cars mingle and bronzed Arab sheiks in native costume chat with dapper Europeans in modern suits and pith helmets.

Arab boy scouts with floating veils, entering the church on a pilgrimage to the Nativity grotto, are prominent in the constant procession of people mov-



ing in the court. This is the one and only entrance to the church. It still bears visible signs, two deep grooves, which pilgrim feet of many centuries have worn deep into the stone.

From a high-ceilinged room in the church, fitted with broadcasting apparatus, a group of British engineers gaze

down upon the abrupt valley below where a foot-path winds away toward stony Tekoa, birthplace of the Prophet Amos.

Some Still Dwell in Tents

For those British engineers are preparing to send the Bethlehem chimes around the world on sound waves from a broadcasting station.

Primitive people dwell in tent communities on the hilltops, as in the days of the patriarchs, growing their grain, herding their flocks, and entirely unaware of the miracle science is performing right before their eyes.

Monks tread along the stone-flagged resounding corridors, in the belfry a brown-robed, girdled Jesuit Father is directing the five bell-ringers at their task, which lasts in all but seven minutes.

The chimes are treble; also, tenor, light bass and heavy bass, and they mingle into a triumphant melody, clanging over barren hills, echoing across a great divide and bringing a message of peace and good will to millions of people.

His beauty, the Latin Patriarch, comes in state to Bethlehem at about 1 p. m. on Christmas Day, and after being welcomed by the Franciscans, en-

ters the Church of St. Catherine, adjacent to Church of the Nativity, for pontifical vespers at 1:30 p. m.

Y. M. C. A. Holds Service

In the afternoon about 4:30 p. m. a party from the Jerusalem Young Men's Christian Association goes to the shepherd's field to eat an al fresco meal and hold a short service with carol singing.

Since the World War the Orthodox Patriarch has courteously allowed the English-speaking community to assemble in the private courtyard adjacent to the Basilica of the Nativity to sing familiar carols.

The carols are sung at 9 o'clock in the evening, followed by a reading of the gospel for the day in Greek and English at the Orthodox Chapel of St. George nearby. A midnight Eucharist service follows at St. George's Cathedral in Jerusalem.

In the meantime the Latin Church of St. Catherine, next to the basilica, is filled with reverent crowds who have come to celebrate the feasts in the traditional manner.



Several Good Suggestions for Your Holiday Decorations

By ELIZABETH MacREA BOYKIN

YOU can practically talk yourself into believing in Santa Claus this year . . . the Christmas decorations are so wondrous and altogether enchanting. Just dangle shiny balls from a step ladder and thumb tacking holly around the house is enough to make you dismiss your doubts and give yourself up to the delicious excitement of the holiday.

Here's one gay and glittering idea for making the place look festive with comparatively little effort. Make clusters and garlands of bright glass Christmas balls and hang them all around the room—the garlands can hang from the mouldings and the clusters can go at the corners of the room. Then have big bowls heaped with the same kind of scintillating balls and make your wreaths of Christmas greens accented by these bright balls. You can have them all in one color—red, green, blue or silver or you can combine balls of two or more colors.

Different and Debonair

Another kind of garland and wreath is different and debonair in ap-

pearance. Made of Christmas greens and real fruit—oranges, lemons, bananas, apples, pineapple, and whatever else you can get, strung on copper wire into an abundant festoon. This makes a rich though perishable Christmas decoration. Copy a Della Robbia wreath motif if you decide on this idea. Or have Venetian Christmas decorations—gild your pine cones or big oak acorns for the merry occasion, especially if you are going in for tinsel and glitter . . . and when all is said and done, that's the most Christmas effect of all.

There are perfectly stunning artificial leaves and garlands in white and silver that are smartly impressive in certain interiors, and many dramatic versions of naturalistic wreaths and garlands are to be bought in the stores. And, of course, nothing could be nicer than masses of scarlet poinsettias—real ones if you are opulent, artificial ones if you're celebrating on a budget. The whole tree can be trimmed with artificial poinsettias if you want a variation of design. Another way to trim the Christmas tree would be to use big silver bows with silver ribbon looped around the tree like tinsel, and shiny

red glass bells for accent.

Two Young Couples' Version

An urbane young couple with a modern living room hung a cluster of large Christmas bells in one rather austere corner of their room. Then they cut huge music notes out of heavy colored

paper and attached these to the walls and curtains adjacent to the bells.

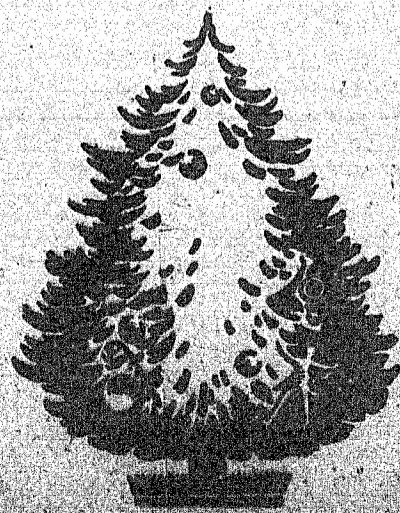
Another young couple searching for a new version of Christmas decorations cut out large white paper snow flakes and fastened them all around the dark walls of their dining room. Then they stretched white domestic over the floor, sprinkled artificial snow about and set up their Christmas tree here. In the candle light the effect was nearly as nice as a winter's woods, and the illusion was enhanced by the boughs of evergreens that hung from the chandelier and over the doors and windows. If you don't have dark walls, you can get the same effect by stretching dark green tulle over the walls, then adding the snowflakes. Or nearly as much fun would be to fasten the snowflakes on dark draperies, then hang evergreens about the walls with large snowflakes dangling from them. Or paste snowflakes on the window panes . . . they'll look fantastic and lovely on a snowy night.

There are many of the most appealing Christmas appeals in the stores for Christmas decorations. Some of them are cheap and others are looking others

especially the modern ones, are quite worldly. But all are appropriate for Christmas, the choice depending on the mood of your celebration. Here's one effective way to use them . . . have small holly nosegays in four little crystal vases down the center of a rectangular table, then a row of angels across one end of the table. At the other end use tall candles.

For your living room you could have a grouping of sophisticated angels on the mantel or on the library table . . . a delightful alternative for a Christmas tree is to make a huge candle out of cardboard in white or red. You might make it around the base of a floor lamp, then make a crepe paper "flame" at the top which could be illuminated from the light globe of the lamp. Then hang the Christmas tree around the base of the candle.

Only one thing is against the idea . . . you mustn't get cynical about Christmas because you'll miss a lot of good things if you do. A Christmas tree stands for more than just a bit of these . . . it's a stream of laughter and the spirit of holiday, good wishes,



CURRENT (EDITORIAL) COMMENT

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Christmas Is Worth While

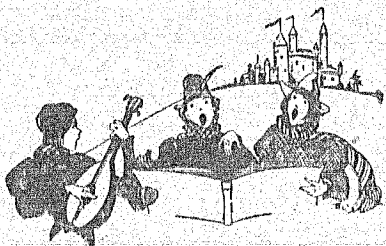
CHRISTMAS is hastening the time when "man to man, the world o'er, shall brothers be for a' that." We recognize now, more than at any other time, that men are brothers. We have a kind word, possibly a material gift, for the lowly and abandoned. We visit the prisoner in jail and take food to the hungry. We realize we are all children of the same dear God, and to do a kindness to any one of our brothers will bring its reward. We read in Holy Writ that Jesus Christ was born in a manger; that the humble shepherds, and the three wise men, bearing gifts of "gold, and frankincense, and myrrh," came to adore Him; that later He included them, and all who did a kind act, among his brethren.

He must be an old Scrooge—a grasping, grinding, covetous old sinner, who does not lose a portion of his selfishness and cynicism at Christmas time—a time that betrays the most churlish into a kind look, more precious and important than any material gift to a world so in need of kindness and appreciation.

The Christmas spirit is now uppermost in our hearts for a longer period than formerly. The newspapers are largely responsible for this; they have revealed the beauty, the significance of Christmas, and have done a great service by admonishing us to "shop early." Long before the holidays, merchants advertise their wares in the newspapers and display them in shop windows. These window displays add much to our interest and happiness. If we have no money to buy the fine things, we can have the pleasure of letting their beauty sink into our souls and wish that

some one more fortunate may have the joy of ownership. In anticipation, the influence of Christmas comes into our hearts earlier than formerly and abides longer. It lingers with us well after New Year. May the time soon come when the spirit of Christmas will abide with us throughout the year. As it is, no one can overestimate the value of harboring kind thoughts for our fellow beings. The influence of the season makes us permanently better and nobler.

At Yuletide we delight in the eager shouts of children—their cheerful faces and beaming eyes radiate the joy they feel. Seeing and hearing them, petting and loving them, begets again that golden time when we were children. As we enter into their playful mood and share their happiness, we once more are children ourselves.



Christmas Gifts

What shall I give for Christmas? That, of course, depends. If you give just to be giving, send grandpa a ball and bat, grandma a doll, and the preacher a "toy balloon." None of them will probably have any use for your gift, and will know that you have not put yourself into it. "The gift without the giver is bare." It would be better to send them an inexpensive Christmas card, or better still, a written word of greeting if you can put your heart into it.

If we make gifts it may be useful to analyze them in order. They are of three kinds—something to keep, something to use, and something to give up.

Be a little slow about giving something to keep, for it may be a white elephant on the hands of the receiver. We heartily indorse the thought of

Alexander Woolcott, the famous author, who said:

"If you are planning to give me a present this Christmas, I beg of you not to make it something indestructible, which would only add to the litter of my life. Eventually, I would shove it up into the attic and be haunted every time you came to call for fear you'd notice it was nowhere around. . . . The gracious and truly modest gift is always something perishable."

A good book, ranging from Mother Goose to the latest best seller, is an ideal gift if we have regard to the age and capabilities of the one for whom it is intended. Bibles and dictionaries are all right if people would only use them. Just why we do not know, but we appreciate a friend more if, when we call upon him, we find an unabridged dictionary on the stand and a well-thumbed Bible on the table. So give grandpa a Bible with good large print that he can read easily and be relieved of eye-strain.

Of things to use, we can think of no better gift for a friend who does not take his county newspaper than a year's subscription to it. The local newspaper is the only medium through which one can keep up with what his neighbors are doing—or people in the county, the State, and the nation are doing. You will have to make this gift only once, for after a year your friend, being a man of sense, will take care of his own subscription. Many of our best magazines make special effort to have them sent as Christmas gifts. A newspaper or other periodical given at Christmas recalls Christmas every time it comes to the recipient.

If you can give nothing else, give a merry Christmas greeting. A cordial greeting adds cheer to Christmas.

Covetousness

The last, but not the least, of the

Ten Commandments is, "Thou shalt not covet." We are also told that "the love of money is the root of all evil." We doubt whether any other sin is so often denounced in the Bible. The covetousness of nations has been the cause of most wars.

According to Dr. James A. B. Sherer, it is covetousness, the greed of five great Japanese families, that is responsible for the war in China.

Dr. Sherer is well acquainted with Japanese affairs; he has spent many years in Japan as economic advisor, a service for which he was decorated by the emperor.

In a recent speech to the World Affairs Institute, meeting in Pasadena, California, he declared that the militarists of Japan had betrayed the people through trickery, playing upon their veneration for the emperor, who "is used as a tool" by the militarists.

"The concealed Mussolini of Japan," said Dr. Sherer, is General Jiro Minami, Governor General of Korea. Minami is backed by five big families who control half the wealth of Japan, apart from the emperor. . . . they control the political parties and even co-operate with the imperial household itself in seeking new outlets for their enormous capital. And now they co-operate with Minami and his Fascist army in trying to conquer China.

"The vast body of the Japanese people, who are pitifully poor, are being ground under heel to finance a campaign of ambition and greed."

He also asserted that the Japanese have already more land than they can settle in a hundred years, but that the military are simply greedy for more power, the big families for more wealth.

Italy has gobbled up Ethiopia, Japan has seized Manchuria and is now trying to get more of China; Germany wants colonies and is casting covetous eyes on the Ukraine, the great wheat-producing section of Russia; both Italy and Germany want access to the iron and coal mines of Spain. Communism is repudiated by America, but it is a credit to the powers in Russia that, along with the great democracies of the world, they do not covet the lands of other peoples.

Queer Foods and Longevity

We are amused with the story of the Irishman who, during Lent, asked the waiter in a restaurant for shark, swordfish, whale, and other fish not served to customers. When told none of these were available, he said: "Well, bring me a nice, juicy steak; the Lord will not hold it against me, for He knows that I've tried to get fish." Had he been in Italy last spring his order for shark would probably have been filled, as a matter of course, for now Fascist eat great quantities of shark steaks shipped to them by Norwegian fishermen. Shark is said to be so good that the people of democratic countries will soon be eating it.

A few Americans have eaten crow and say they like it. Some of our Indians find dog meat a savory dish. We have heard of people who ate cat with a relish under the mistaken notion that it was 'possum or 'coon.

The Chinese eat the nests of a certain bird; our old geography had a picture of a Chinese rat catcher, who did a thriving business with those who like rat meat.

The Americans and the English have long poked fun at the French for eating snail. The French taught the world to eat mushrooms. Now, they are telling us that toadstools growing on decayed trees make steaks more delicious. Many fungi are poisonous; we shall await developments before we try toadstools.

A menu in a Chicago cafe offers rattlesnake steak at 70c. Now comes an Englishman recommending cockroaches, saying that the white flesh is not only nutritious but has a pleasant flavor as well.

The English used to avoid eating rabbits, for it was believed their flesh would make one melancholy. Physicians of the present day fight bodily diseases of patients by putting them on diets. They find some people are "allergic" to foods on which others thrive.

In modern times, with our means of

transportation, refrigeration, and canning, we can find in the market almost anything that the doctor may prescribe or that our taste may desire. With all this variety of food and with the stress laid on diet by doctors, we ought to stay young and live longer, but it baffles us to keep up with food theories, which change capriciously.

We are certain of one thing—to promote long life and good health it is as essential to keep an open and lively mind as keeping a healthy stomach. There is probably no defense against serious organic disease, but all of us can look around and see that, chronic disease apart, those who age early have one-track minds or have sat down to vegetate. Ivon Brown, a noted Englishman, has said: "To have queer and constant and stimulating food for thought is at least as important as to have food for the month, which has been approved by the entire faculty of medicine—if any such there be."

Fine Cattle and Fine Boys

A news item from Kansas City informs us that a steer shown by Robert Johnson, Cambay, N. M., took first prize in the junior yearling Hereford class at the American Royal Livestock Show. In the 4-H Hereford calf class, Troy Whately, of Groom, Texas, captured first prize. Several other boys in the agricultural high schools of Oklahoma, Texas and New Mexico won prizes for their exhibits.

It is becoming so common for our cattle and horse breeders to take first prizes at great shows in the North that we take it as a matter of course. It stirs our pride in the Southwest to know that this section, once the home of the longhorn, can and does produce as fine cattle as any other section.

We are proud to know, too, that our agricultural high schools are giving our country boys a chance. That these boys appreciate such schools and are taking advantage of the education available through them and other agencies like the 4-H clubs is indicated by the success with their entries in various shows. This, however, is only a small part of the evidence. Anyone who will talk to our farm boys about their work and aspirations will detect an attitude different from that of a few years ago. Then they wished to rise above the business of their fathers; now they wish to rise in that business. This is all to the good. There is nothing more hopeful for the future of society, urban and rural, than for a large part of our most intelligent boys and girls on farms and ranches to equip themselves for making better farmers and ranchers.

Another Eminent Woman Scientist

Madam Curie, along with her husband, discovered radium, one of the chief means by which physicians combat cancer. Now another woman, Professor Jean Broadhurst, bacteriologist of Columbia University, has successfully isolated the virus that causes measles.

It will hereafter be possible for doctors to detect measles in a patient several days before the characteristic rash appears. The doctors tell us also that many people, immune themselves to measles, carry the virus around with them and transmit it to others. In this way we may account for the mysterious outbreaks of measles when there has been no known exposure. Hereafter it will be possible to rid these carriers of the germs and to relieve children of the menace of contracting the disease from them. Better still, the doctors hope to perfect a preventive vaccine that will make measles as rare as diphtheria has been since Behring's antitoxin came into general use.

Probably Prof. Broadhurst's discovery means more for the health of mankind than does that of Madame Curie. Comparatively few of us have cancer; nearly all of us have measles. In 1934, the last year for which we have statistics, there were in the United States 799,435 cases of measles, compared with 256,000 of chicken pox, the next most common disease.

Since Pasteur's discovery of bacteria about 80 years ago, our physicians have found how to prevent and cure

anthrax, hydrophobia, diphtheria, malaria, cholera, typhoid fever, yellow fever, tuberculosis, and a host of other diseases caused by germs. Perhaps future generations will rank the achievements of the scientists and physicians in safeguarding the public's health as of importance as great to the welfare of mankind as the achievements of great inventors for the past three-quarters of a century, for they have greatly prolonged the expectancy of life.

We hope that the isolation of the virus of measles will result in all the good that doctors expect from it. If so, the name of Prof. Jean Broadhurst will be imperishable.

Grass Root Reveries

By JOE GANDY
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SCIENTISTS claim it is possible that the earth will change its position and the ice age, or glacial period, return. I wouldn't be the least surprised if this should happen. The earth is very beautiful, but most of us seem dissatisfied with it—wherefore the Lord, in his infinite wisdom, may decide to wipe it out.

A woman in California is suing another woman for \$2,000,000 for alienating her husband's affections. I didn't know there was a husband in the world worth \$2,000,000. While real good husbands may come pretty high, I suspect there are wives who would sell theirs for less than \$2,000,000.

One of the drawbacks of this generation is too many things to worry about. A man said he lay in bed the other night and counted 27 different things to worry about—ranging from old debts and a balky mule to gas on the stomach and the special session of Congress.

Forty-two years ago there were only four automobiles in the United States. Today there are 27,000,000. Half of them are parked and the other half are trying to park at the curb. We have to build more curbs or build fewer automobiles. This parking problem reminds me of a Poland-China sow that farrowed 17 pigs and had but 14 teats.

The first motor driven vehicle I ever rode in was an auto buggy, chain driven and steered with a straight stick. At top speed it could go 30 miles an hour.

I got a far greater thrill out of that ride than my first airplane ride, although the airplane made 200 miles an hour. We had better slow down a bit or this fast living will take all the thrills out of life.

Some churches have installed automatic electric organs to play their music. I object to mechanizing the churches. I still like to watch the pretty organist play old-time gospel hymns.



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The popular movie picture, "Wake Up and Live," may be all right when applied to Broadway. But with us farmers it is "Wake Up and Work."

They tell us that lightning rods are coming back. I hope they do—not so much for protection from lightning, but because they look kinda prosperous.

Since a neighbor put lightning rods on his house I am not bothered any more with solicitors.

We have seen some of the new autos that can be bought with a small down payment and they look swell. It isn't the down but the up payments that hurt—paying up the notes, paying up the interest, paying up the upkeep and paying up the depreciation when cars gets old and has to be sold.

A method has been discovered to make wool out of sweet milk. What we need most is for some one to find a way to convert spinach and squash into ice cream and cake.

A lady friend, discussing the merits and demerits of another woman who fortunately or unfortunately had never married, said: "She just as well have

a man to worry about, for she can't get along with him or without him." Now is this, or is it not, a compliment to man? Maybe State Press can answer.

When a lot of us get to the pearly gates—if we do—will we go there dressed up in our best Sunday clothes? My guess is that all clothes will look alike to St. Peter. Up there charity will come nearer covering a multitude of sins than clothes.

Some tall rat stories have been going the rounds. One man said that rats turned on the lights of his car one night so they could see how to read directions on a can of rat poison. Another man said that rats turned on his radio so they could listen to an old fiddlers' contest.

In the mad scramble to get more money it would be a good idea to check up to see whether or not we haven't lost some of those fine things that money can't buy.

Pretty soon the political pot will start bilin'. Let 'er bile. It is one of those things that breaks out periodically like rash. There will be solemn promises of tax reduction and government economy. But when the tumult and shouting is over the taxpayer will hold the bag and be right where he was before.

I have a hunch that wife will buy me one of those stylishly "loud" neckties for a Christmas present. She likes to see me wear things that make me look young. I need a new hat and may please her by buying a smart rakish model, the kind now worn by gay young blades. About the best way for wives to make husbands look younger is to tell them that as they get older they get handsomer. Of course, it's a lie, but we husbands love to hear them say it.

Ho! ho! for the holly and the mistletoe! It's near to Christmas time and we must help get things ready for the children and the grandchildren. My wish for every one is a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR.

FRITZI RITZ



Just Making Sure



By Ernie Bushmiller



BRIEF TEXAS NEWS---from Over the State

ACTIVE IN BUSINESS AT 87

T. A. Wiley, of Saint Jo, (North Texas), is still actively engaged in the lumber business at the age of 87. Recently he and his wife celebrated their 67th year of married life.

WOMAN SHERIFF

County commissioners of Montague county (North Texas), appointed Mrs. Jim Clingsmith sheriff, to fill the unexpired term of her husband who died recently.

TO SELL POWER DIRECT

A dispatch from Austin says that the Colorado river authority officials have announced a policy of selling cheap power direct to Texas cities and towns with municipal power and light systems.

WIDOW, 107, SURVIVES HUSBAND.

Teofilo Martinez, of Moore, Frio county, age 105, died there November 2. Martinez, a native of Mexico, had lived in Moore 50 years. He is survived by his wife, 107 years of age.

CHURCH SELLS DRILLING RIGHTS FOR \$23,500

Members of the First Presbyterian Church, of Kilgore, voted to sell an oil company drilling rights on the church's lot for \$23,500. The church will buy another site upon which to erect a new church building.

KILLS BUCK WITH BOW AND ARROW

San Antonio Light: "Elbert Wheeler, San Antonio archer, killed his first buck of the season with a bow and arrow. Wheeler shot the deer, a three-point buck, with a 65-pound cedar bow. The arrow pierced the deer's heart and struck the leg on the other side of the body."

WARNS HUNTERS

Will J. Tucker, secretary to the State Game Commission, estimated that about 100,000 hunting licenses would be issued this season. He warns deer hunters to exercise the utmost caution and suggested they wear a piece of red cotton on arm or cap to avoid being mistaken and killed for a deer.

HOPE FOR FEWER ACCIDENTS

State safety officials hope the amended driver's license law, put in operation in November, and the addition of 138 highway patrolmen, who are graduates from training schools, may have some effect on irresponsible auto drivers and reduce accidents on Texas' 22,000 miles of highway.

NEW BRIDGE OVER OLD FERRY

Time marches on. A \$218,000 steel bridge, 1,462 feet long, was opened November 9th in Sabine county (East Texas). It marks the site of Pendleton's ferry, across Sabine river, between Texas and Louisiana. The first settlers who came to Texas from Southern States used this old ferry while traveling the old historic San Antonio road.

LARGEST GYPSUM DEPOSIT IN U.S.

Five miles south of Falfurrias (South Texas), is said to be the largest gypsum deposit in the United States. It covers six acres and has been worked to a depth of 55 feet. Owned by the Gulf Gypsum Co., the plant turns out from 300 to 400 tons of pure crushed gypsum each day. Many by-products are made from gypsum, including plaster of paris, lime, cement, wall board, calcimine and fertilizer.

PREDICT REORGANIZATION OF ARMY

Complete reorganization of the army on the basis of an infantry division of a wartime strength of about 10,000 men is an almost certain result of two months experimental field tests concluded near San Antonio.

The reorganization, which is expected to start late next year or in 1939, officers said, will "modernize" the army and modify its organization probably to a far greater extent than at any previous period in our peace time history.

The army of tomorrow, as predicted by the far reaching experimental tests started in Texas early in September, will be a mobile, fast moving, hard striking "army on wheels," in which the motorized streamlined division—small flexible, and swift—will be substituted for the ponderous 22,000 man (war strength) division of today.

WOMAN BUTCHER

Sometime ago Beaumont surprised the world with an ice woman who delivered ice to customers in her own truck. Now Corpus Christi reveals a Miss Flora Fernandez, 24 years old, who owns a butcher shop, and cuts and weighs meat for customers. She bought the shop from her brother from whom she learned the business.

TEXAS COTTON MILLS

Texas cotton spinning mills had 213,470 spindles operating in September, the department of commerce reported. One of the mills turns out a fine grade of sheeting and pillow slips.

821 LICENSED PILOTS

The rapid progress of airplane transportation in Texas is indicated by a report of the Commerce Department's air bureau which showed that 821 pilots in the State had been issued licenses to operate airplanes.

97 YEARS OLD AND NOT A CITIZEN

Frank P. Olivaries, 97 years old, of Waxahachie, has lived in Texas since it was a republic, but recently made application for citizenship. He came to Texas from Argentina in 1842.

MONUMENT TO COLONEL JAMES BOWIE

Bowie county has dedicated a monument to Colonel James Bowie, Texas patriot and hero of the Alamo. The statue and pedestal, 13 feet in height and weighing 7½ tons, represents a twice life size bronze figure of the colonel and was erected in a park at Texarkana.

TRIPLETS BORN TO COUPLE 75 AND 45

Triplets were born to Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Guyer, near Bangs, Brown county. Guyer, a farmer, is 75 years old and Mrs. Guyer, 45. The babies, two girls and a boy, were brought to a Brown-wood hospital where physicians said they had a good chance to live.

DRILLS 50 ACRES OF WHEAT AT 70

A. F. Bond, farmer living near Perryton, Ochiltree county, is reported to have drilled 50 acres of wheat on his 70th birthday. The veteran farmer, who has been in the Texas panhandle 37 years, has sown 200 acres of wheat for the 1938 harvest. He is also preparing a large acreage for feed crops.

\$29,937.50 CHECK AND NOTE FOUND

Clifton H. Tupper, Sr., former newspaper man, found a check for \$14,937.50 and a note for \$15,000 lying on the sidewalk at Broadway and Travis streets, San Antonio. He returned them to the owner before their loss had been discovered.

INMATES CHEW AND SMOKE MUCH TOBACCO

Inmates of State eleemosynary institutions, exclusive of the prison system, are expected to chew 25,108 pounds of tobacco in the next six months.

Superintendents of these institutions estimated the tobacco needs of inmates for that period and the Board of Control has contracted for its purchase.

In addition, it authorized purchase of 2,354 gross bags of smoking tobacco for the same purpose.

CLAIMS TO HAVE FILLED 205,100 PRESCRIPTIONS

John S. Cravens says he has a record of filling 205,100 prescriptions during his 35 years of service as pharmacist at Whitesboro, (North Texas). Many persons, with temporary ailments, consult Mr. Cravens for "something" to ease their pains.

MEMORIAL TO TEXAS PIONEERS

Gonzales, rich in Texas history and traditions, is to be commended for setting aside an entire day—October 30th—to dedicate a \$68,000 memorial building erected there in honor of her 32 citizens who responded to Travis' appeal for help in defense of the Alamo, and who were the last reinforcements to enter the doomed fort. The dedication also included 18 other Gonzalians who took part in the first battle of the Texas revolution and defied a Mexican army to come and take their only cannon.

COWBOY ACTIVE AT 83

Hiram G. Craig, of Brenham, is one of the oldest active cowboys in Texas. At the age of 82 he rides and ropes cattle with the younger cowboys. He helped drive cattle over the famed Chisholm trail from Texas to Kansas.

SAY CATS FORECAST WEATHER

Amarillo's official weather man, H. T. Coleman, says house cats are forecasters of weather. "When a cat puts on heavy fur in fall you can look for a hard winter. When a cat wants to eat all the time it's a good sign a cold snap is on the way. But if the cat eats little, or refuses to eat in winter months, it's a good sign of continued warm weather," said Coleman.

VALUABLE HISTORIC DOCUMENT

Dr. William E. Howard, of Dallas, has one of the most valuable collections of historic documents in the United States. Included in this collection are documents issued by Queen Isabella and King Ferdinand, of Spain, and 57 letters written by General Sam Houston and 30 letters written by Stephen F. Austin. The documents are kept in steel cabinets to prevent deterioration.

BLAST CROWS WITH BOMBS

The commissioners' court of Taylor county has employed an expert to kill crows by placing bombs on tree limbs where they roost and exploding the bombs with electric-charged wires.

DUCK RANCH A SUCCESS

Mrs. Lon Carr has a duck ranch near Rockdale. She began the business with 60 ducks and 15 drakes and now owns a flock of 600. Besides a living from the sale of ducks, she has saved \$190, she said.

200-ACRE PECAN ORCHARD

W. T. Evers is owner of a 200-acre pecan orchard near Denton. His orchard 20 years old, will produce this year about 20,000 pounds of thin-shell pecans, which he expects to sell at an average price of 22½ cents per pound. The more prominent varieties grown on the 200 acres are: Burkett, Halbert, Jersey, San Saba Improved, Texas Schley and Delmas. Mr. Evers said that in some years one variety will produce more pecans than another variety, depending on weather conditions. About 12½ per cent are top-worked and the remainder are set-out trees.

CAPTURED 8-POINT DEER ALIVE

San Antonio Express: "Enroute from Eagle Pass to Laredo with a load of feed, the driver of one of Olen McDonald's trucks, with a companion, discovered an eight-point buck deer with his horns entangled in the wire of the fence along the highway, west of Carrizo Springs. The man extricated the deer, tied it securely with ropes, loaded it in the truck with the feed and delivered it still bound to the game warden at Catarina to be disposed of in whatever manner game laws provide."

PROPOSED TABLET FOR SAN JACINTO MEMORIAL

The bronze tablet which the Colonial Dames of America, Chapter No. 8 of Texas, plan to have erected in the San Jacinto Memorial Monument, which is nearing completion at the San Jacinto battle grounds, near Houston, bears the followings inscription:

TO THE MEMORY OF THE HEROIC ARMY OF SAN JACINTO

This tablet is erected by the Colonial Dames of America, Chapter 8 of Texas.

CUTTING THIRD SET OF TEETH

Mrs. L. J. Norwood, pioneer Wichita county resident, is cutting her third set of teeth. The new teeth began appearing a year ago and are now too large to permit the use of her false teeth.

OIL WELL EVERY 45 MINUTES

A total of 9,800 oil producers were completed in Texas from January 1 to October 1, 1937, according to compilations released in Austin. This rate of development is equal to one well completed every 45 minutes, day and night, in the nine months in review. At present there are 74,911 producing oil wells in Texas, with an average production of 10.56 barrels per well daily.

SOME HAT LIFTING

Grantland Rice, the well known sports editor, wrote this tribute in the New York Sun about T. C. U.: "You can lift your hats to T. C. U., playing the hardest schedule in football from September 25 to November 20, and still strong enough to beat Rice, a team that had been clicking for the last three weeks. This was T. C. U.'s ninth tough football game without a resting spot, played out with a green backfield and two green ends. And T. C. U. was in the middle of the fight in every game, including Fordham, which barely escaped with a one point margin. T. C. U.'s all-season record can compare with any one's."

OWNER OF 25-YEAR-OLD FORD

Owner of a model T Ford that he bought for \$785 in 1912, Henry E. Blackham, 4022 Hucco Street, El Paso, still drives the car to and from his work. He estimates it "has traveled 535,000 miles without a serious breakdown."

RELIGIOUS DRAMA LIBRARY LARGEST IN U. S.

Baylor University, Waco, claims the largest library of religious drama scripts in the United States, and the only unit of its kind in the world offering free service. It is under the auspices of the Baptist Student Union.

GRAPEFRUIT OUTPUT

Texas grapefruit output has jumped from 1,530,000 boxes in 1929 to 9,231,000 in 1936. About 75 per cent of Texas' bearing trees are from five to ten years old, having not yet reached their peak of production. Fruit processing plants use about 25 per cent of the total production each year.

FIREMEN BUILD OWN TRUCK

The Cleburne fire department needed a new fire truck, but the city did not want to spend any money for a truck, so the fire boys got busy and built a truck from used parts, mostly donated.

"The cash outlay was less than \$30 and it's not worth a cent less than \$3,000," Fire Chief Patterson declared as he admired the job.

CAT PLAYS ROLE OF HERO

Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Diamond, of Alta Vista, Houston, probably owe their lives to an ordinary house cat. They were awakened at night by the cat jumping on their bed, mewing and scratching. The house was on fire and the couple barely escaped the flames that were sweeping toward them. Firemen arrived too late to save the house.

66,000 VOLTS PASS THROUGH BODY

Port Arthur News: "Sidney Diamond, 16, who was badly burned and shocked at Waco, November 16, was given a 50-50 chance to recover, physicians said. "Young Diamond, playmates said, climbed an 85-foot T. P. & L. tower and 66,000 volts of electricity went through his body. He was rescued by an ambulance driver and a photographer."

HELPED TO HAUL STATE CAPITOL CORNERSTONE

William James Keneson, 91 years old, who resides four miles southeast of Fannett (Jefferson county), helped to haul the cornerstone for the State capitol at Austin. "It took 32 head of good mules to pull that cornerstone from the Burnett mountains after it was quarried," said Mr. Keneson. "The contractor imported 60 stone cutters from Scotland to do the work of carving the granite into shapely blocks for the capitol walls. Convicts were used as laborers, the contractor paying the State 50c per day for their service."

Kenson is a veteran of the war between the States, an Indian fighter and rail-driver. He lives with his daughter, Mrs. Elmer Adams.

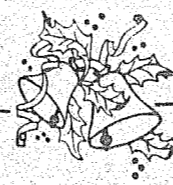
PRIZE DEER STORY

The Hereford Brand says: "Nominated as the best story of the week, the following tale comes from Dick Walker. He brought the story back with him from the Black Mountains of New Mexico, where he has been hunting for several days; he also brought back his buck."

"There were 20 fellows in the party and each of them got his deer," Walker said. "Here is how one man did it: "He was out hunting squirrels with a .22 rifle when a big buck suddenly jumped up in front of him. He shot the deer in the head and the animal fell. Elated, he rushed up and put his tag on the deer. Then the buck, which had only been stunned, jumped up and sped over the adjoining hill. The fellow took out in hot pursuit."

"Just as the man topped the hill a Mexican saw the deer and shot it. Both men arrived at the same time, and the Mexican was somewhat irritated when our man said the buck was his. He told the Mexican he had tagged the buck with his tag. The Mexican found the tag, looked bewildered and said: "Guess he yours, alright. I ain't gonna argue with anybody who runs fast enough to trot along side a deer and tie on his tag."

By Bernard Dibble



CHRISTMAS BELLS

I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old, familiar carole play,
And wild and sweet
The word repeat,
Of peace on earth, good will to men!

Then from each black, accursed mouth
The cannon thundered in the South
And with the sound
The carole drowned
Of peace on earth, good will to men!

And in despair I bowed my head;
"There is no peace on earth," I said:
"For hate is strong
And mocks the song
Of peace on earth, good will to men!"

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep;
"God is not dead, nor does He sleep!
The Wrong shall fail,
The Right prevail,
With peace on earth, good will to men!"

—By Henry W. Longfellow.

LOCAL HUNTERS BAG ELK

Members of the BPOE lodge of Texarkana were surprised when two local hunters showed a 14-point antler from a buck elk one of the men had killed during a two-week's hunting trip in Montana. The two hunters, Frank Mathis and Jewel Atkins, as positive proof the elk had been killed, brought the head of the animal home in their trailer.

TEXAS PORTS SHOW INCREASED TONNAGE

Texas ports handled 46,688,666 short tons of waterborne commodities during the first six months of 1937, compared with 37,520,392 tons the first six months of 1936, according to figures compiled by the headquarters of district army engineers at Galveston. Houston led in tonnage with Beaumont second and Texas City third.

INSISTS THAT SPIDERS DO BARK

Dr. J. A. Rickles, of Eagle Pass, flouts the opinion of scientists and is emphatic in the statement that a certain species of spiders which hang from the ceiling of his home bark and "kept him awake nights all summer and fall." Dr. Alexander Petrunkevitch, of Yale University, said the spiders couldn't bark, because, like all spiders, they had no noise-making organs.

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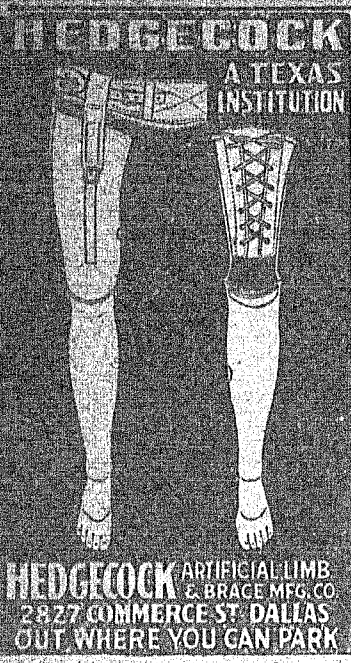


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CEDARS OF LEBANON

Among the world's oldest Christmas trees are those which stand within the nascent Republic of Lebanon, in Syria, authorized by a recent Franco-Lebanese treaty. An abrupt 6,000 feet above the Mediterranean, on a shelflike plateau, the impressive little colony of 400 trees are descendants of the famous Cedars of Lebanon, so often mentioned in the Bible. The wood used in building King Solomon's temple was hewn from the cedar forests of Lebanon.

Both Moslems and Maronite Christians are forbidden by religion and law from marring the cedars which were venerated as monarchs among trees even before Judah had her first king.

Bark of the trees is coarse and rough, reddish brown, frosted with whitish hoar. The wood, which grows reddish to yellow at the center, is extremely hard, close-grained, fragrant and capable of high polish, which made it prized by ancients for carved images. Some of the trees attain a height of 50 to 80 feet, and are very large in diameter at the girth.

There are twelve especially famous members of the tree colony, each with a distinctive personality. The oldest of all—which may have more than 1,500 or 1,000 years to its credit—is "the Guardian." It knows no enemy but lightning. Another, "the Seven-Branched Candlestick," looks just that, with a cluster of trunks rising up from a low main one. In the hollow of another tree a hermit lived for sixteen years.

The venerable cedars still "bring forth fruit in their old age," bearing fragrant cones which take two years to mature to their three or four-inch length, exuding resin from their twigs.

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Holly from Texas Forests

By DON HOLLIS
P. O. Box 741, Tyler, Texas.

HOLLY, for ages a traditional symbol of the Yuletide season, threatens to pass into the limbo of forgotten things unless drastic conservation measures are undertaken. This is the warning sounded by East Texas nurserymen and garden club women who are attempting to check the annual pillaging of East Texas forests at this time of the year. The objective of these two groups is not to discourage the use of holly for Christmas decoration but to assure an ample supply for the generations to come.

When holly trees were more plentiful throughout East Texas they were widely used for Christmas trees instead of the conventional pines or cedars. But hundreds of club women, alarmed at the dwindling supply, have forsworn the practice and have asked others to do likewise.

A few nurserymen have begun the cultivation of holly commercially, hoping to place the industry on a more stable basis so that market needs will not depend on roadside vandalism for its source of supply. The State Highway Department is doing its part by setting out holly plants in areas where they grow best.

Romantic History

Holly has a romantic and colorful history, and its use for Christmas decoration dates back almost to antiquity. The ancient Teutons festooned the interior of their dwellings with evergreens during the bleak winter months to furnish a refuge for sylvan spirits. The modern use of holly wreaths during the Yule season probably is a survival of this custom.

Superstitions and legends dealing with the use of holly abound. In some parts of England it is deemed unlucky to bring holly into the home before Christmas Eve. There's another superstitious belief that the type of holly used for decorations indicates whether the man or woman is master of the house. If the leaves are smooth the woman dominates. If they are rough, it is the man.

There are about 180 varieties of holly, twelve of which are native to North America. Holly thrives in wet, sandy soil and may be found in this country from Massachusetts south to Florida and westward to East Texas. It grows in the Mississippi Valley as far north as Missouri and Indiana.

In East Texas holly attains its fullest growth in the area around Lufkin, Beaumont and Houston. Though it is

sold extensively on the streets and in groceries and department stores, the industry has never been organized. In many instances farms and forests are raided for the supply and promiscuous cutting of branches often results in hopeless mutilation of the parent tree and the shortening of its life, or in some cases, its complete destruction.

Used in Indian Ceremonial Dances

Experience has shown that a full-grown holly tree through intelligent trimming will yield 300 to 400 pounds of decorative branches and twigs annually and still remain healthy. Garden club women, in advocating this practice, say that "proper trimming improves the tree and makes for better foliage and a more perfect shape."

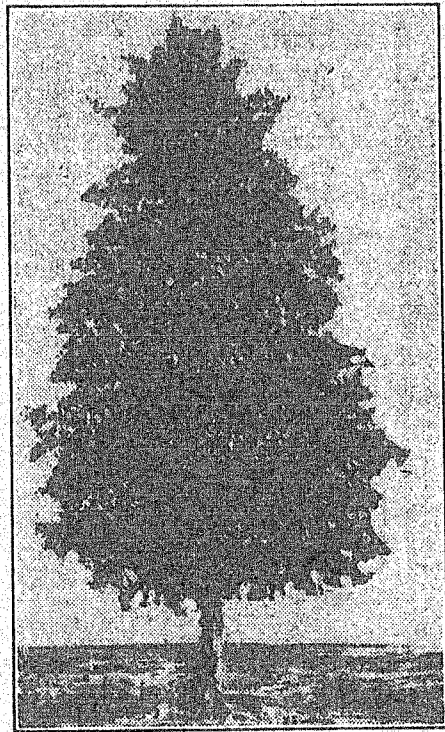
One of the several varieties of holly in East Texas, though not the predominant variety, is the ilex vomitoria, which figured in the ceremonial dances of the early Cherokee Indians in this section. As the name suggests, the bark of the ilex vomitoria, when chewed, has the effect of an emetic. The Cherokees made use of this medicinal property to purge their stomachs of impurities as part of tribal rites. Ilex vomitoria is native to East Texas and States bordering on the East.

It takes about 25 years for East Texas holly trees to reach maturity. In height, the matured tree ranges from 20 to 35 feet, though occasionally trees are 50 feet high. They are easily killed by fire which has been a contributing factor to the scarcity of holly. Most of the holly in East Texas today has grown from the old stumps.

Planting Holly Trees in Yards

The custom of planting holly trees in yards is increasing in popularity in East Texas. The accepted method is to take a small tree that has its own root system and transplant it with a generous portion of the original dirt, augmented by moss from a creek bed. Plenty of water is necessary. Few young trees will survive if transplanted while they are less than four years old.

Though holly may be propagated by means of seeds which normally do not germinate until their second year, the common practice among nurserymen is either grafting or planting the cuttings of mature summer shoots. The suggested practice of keeping the cuttings, packed in sand and moss, stored in an ice box for three months prior to planting is still in the experimental stage.



An East Texas holly tree, estimated to be over 50 years old. It is 35 feet high and 2 1/2 feet in diameter.

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AT THE COUNTY FAIR—"If you're handing out blue ribbons, 'P.W.," laughs Fred Miller (center), "give first prize to Prince Albert for smooth, mellow smokin'." "Say," P. W. Powers (left), comes back, "P.A.'s already got first prize from roll-your-owners for cool, easy-drawin' smokin'." (And that goes for pipes too!)

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"CHRISTMAS TREE LANE"

It was to combat the waste of nature's bounty that the idea of the living Christmas tree was conceived, the first lighted, living tree being, according to report, at Altadena, Calif., along a mile-long stretch of street now called Christmas Tree Lane. These trees are the graceful Himalaya cedars, known as Deodars, or Trees of God. They are hung with thousands of colored electric lights, the illumination beginning on Christmas Eve and lasting through New Year's night, with an accompaniment of community singing.

From this Christmas Tree Lane the lovely plan of having outdoor, living, lighted Christmas trees has spread well over the land. The first garden club of national importance to take up this idea in whole-hearted fashion was that of Des Moines, Iowa. That city has come to be known as the Christmas Tree City, with lighted trees on virtually every lawn. The supreme beauty of such lighted, living trees outdoors lies in the fact that they are not merely for the pleasure of the few but for the enjoyment of every passer-by.

This custom of lighting growing trees has spread until now in every town from coast to coast gaily colored trees blazon a Christmas message.

WATER JUMPER

Salmon fishermen of the Columbia river are worried. The huge Bonneville Dam is nearly finished and they wonder what effect it will have on the salmon that annually swarm up river to lay eggs in cool mountain streams.

Great as is the salmon's leaping power, it cannot possibly hurdle the dam, so the government has constructed "ladders" around the work. They are simply series of small waterfalls, up which the salmon can jump to reach the water above the dam. But the fishermen speculate on whether the fish will "take" to ladders.

Most experts believe they will, for the egg-laying urge that sends the fish upstream is almost all-conquering.

A salmon runs the gamut of human enemies, birds, larger fish. It bends its supple body and leaps up waterfalls as high as 8 feet.

WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS

Christmas is a day for those who keep the high law of personal honor, humbleness, goodness, love and service. It means nothing to those outside this pale. But it brings holy hours to those millions of homes where trees stand trimmed, where small children rush and shout, or older children are putting young, strong arms about mother and daddy to thank them for love and gifts—those homes where long and busy days and responsibility do not leave much time for demonstrable affection, yet where love abideth always—Kathleen Norris.

"Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the day of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem," Matthew 2:1.

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MERRIE CHRISTMAS

"God rest ye, merrie gentlemen!" Never old, ever new the salutation is resurrected as another Christmas rolls around.

It is no wonder that Christmas is universally the holiday of the year with English-speaking peoples, for its roots lie buried in antiquity. Long before the Romans brought Christianity to the British Isles, a pagan festival—the Yuletide—took place annually in the latter part of December.

It was the greatest of the pagan celebrations. It was held in honor of the winter solstice—the time when the sun starts its return northward, bringing promise of coming spring. Sun worship, of course, was a great part of the religion of early pagan races.

When, in 597 A. D., Gregory the Great sent Augustine as the first missionary to the British Isles, he wisely cautioned him not to destroy the temples or customs of the people—but to change them into Christian churches and celebrations. So it was that the traditional Yule-log burning, the feasting and revelry became associated with the birth of Christ, and the holiday took the name of "Christies Masse," which eventually became our familiar "Christmas."

GOLD FROM THE SEA

Once again an attempt will be made to obtain the riches in the steamer Merida, resting on the bottom of the Atlantic off Virginia. Six times, since the vessel was rammed and sunk in 1911, salvagers have tried to recover its wealth of silver, copper and jewels. When winter breaks the seventh effort will begin. Though the Merida holds

treasure galore, its salvagers will be shooting at even bigger game. For their efforts will be a "dress rehearsal" for another onslaught on the Lusitania, giant liner torpedoed off Ireland during the World War.

The Merida and Lusitania are about the last of the famed "treasure ships" which still resist attempts by divers to reclaim their wealth. Both present the same obstacles—they lie in positions exposed to the worst weather the ocean holds.

One of the best-known of all submerged ships—the Egypt, gave up its gold five years ago. It went down off France in 1922 and 10 years later divers finally recovered most of its \$5,000,000—but at terrible expense. One ship and a dozen men were lost.

"FLY BELTS"

The fight against the dreaded tsetse fly goes steadily on in South Africa. Another area in Southern Rhodesia has just been declared "deflected" after three years of constant effort.

The flies were driven out by destroying all the big game, the blood of which furnishes the tsetse with its chief food. Wholesale destruction of game may seem a terrible weapon with which to combat anything as small as a fly, but a victory over the tsetse is worth almost any cost.

Only one thing has aided man in his war against the insect—the fact that it always stays in certain areas called "fly belts." Too long these areas have been barriers to civilization's march in Africa because the tsetse transmits the deadly sleeping sickness. But by wiping out the game in a fly belt, the tsetse may be driven out and the area made safe for colonizers.

Toyland Has Gone Modern

SANTA Claus is on his tiptoes in these modern days of modern children to keep pace with the march of time. The jolly old fellow must long for the days when he knew that dolls and sleds and toys and picture books in his factories could be made in much the same fashion as they had been for years.

All that has changed now. Santa Claus spends much of his time between Christmas season studying modern inventions, science and current events, and, most of all, the youth problem as presented in the twentieth century.

Mrs. Santa Claus, too, must sometimes long for the comfortable old days of pinafores and muslin underwear as she crouches over the fashion plates and studies the motion picture magazines for ideas that will meet the demands of today's children.

Mr. and Mrs. St. Nicholas no longer reign supreme as King and Queen of Toyland. They have a ministry composed of civil and electrical engineers, chemists and psychologists, artists and designers, educators and literary folk.

They carry on the serious business of designing and inventing toys and dolls and books and other holiday gifts for the children of this and other lands according to the best modern thought as to what will give pleasure and what will be valuable in the development of the child. The good old Kris

Kringle and his wife, therefore are simply symbols in a highly organized and scientific world of the old-time "Christmas spirit."

Sign of the Times

It is a sign of the times that modern boys and girls who are to be "surprised" on Christmas morning because Santa Claus has visited their home have an important place in the army of those who influence Santa Claus' choice of toys.

The toys that boys and girls want today are decidedly a reflection of what is going in the world about them. George Washington's father gave him a hatchet, so the story goes, as a gift and doubtless at that time and doubtless at that time the little lad would want to imitate his elders. Today children give earnest attention to toys that run by electricity, and radios with real batteries in them. Dolls and such playthings must reflect not only the fashion, but the passing show as well.

"Toys that go" interest fathers as much if not more than children. The corps of Christmas toy designers must remember that father, who does much of the buying for Christmas must be pleased, too. A toy that lacks the ordinary every-day scientific and inventive features known to man and boy alike is apt to be a failure in many American households.

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MAGIC STICKS

The old argument about whether divining rods can locate hidden water, minerals or oil has broken out in Bulawayo, South Africa. It was started when someone wrote the local newspapers suggesting the forked sticks be used to find new mines.

The argument dates back about 300 years and is still far from being settled, even though there are definite cases where coal mines, oil and water have been found by "dowsers"—diviners.

A forked hazed stick is used. The arms of the fork are about 1 foot long, the stem a bit longer. The dowsers grasp the arms of the fork, holds the stick against his chest, stem up. When he walks over water, minerals or oil, the stem is supposed to be bent down by some mysterious pull.

Just what that pull is science can't determine. As the diving rod is a direct descendant of the magic wands of the ancients, superstitious folks say the rod possesses magic power. Scientists, however, insist the dowsers are sensitive in some unknown way to substances in the earth and that unconsciously, his muscles twitch the stick.

RETURN TO ARMOR

Though confronted by the most modern death-dealing weapons, some soldiers in Spain are adopting man's oldest protection—armor. It is made of felt, one-quarter inch thick, and covers one from neck to waist.

The armor is effective against shrapnel, but is no bar to bullets. There's nothing strange about that, because it was the coming of gun-powder and bullets that scrapped the elaborate armor of medieval knights.

When knighthood was in flower, a warrior was garbed from head to foot with the best steel. It may have been good protection, but it certainly didn't help him fight. It was so heavy the wearer had to be lifted on his horse. And if he ever fell, he couldn't get up without assistance.

That kind of armor was the finest the world has even seen. Before it, in primitive days, man tossed a wolfskin or bearskin across his shoulders to turn swords. The Greeks and Romans used leather and bronze. Steel armor became the fashion only when weapons were made of steel.

BRINGS BACK MEMORIES OF HOME

The little group of former American doughboys who, after the war, married and settled down with German wives in the Rhineland, will meet again this year for a Yuletide dinner and to talk over old times.

Although most of them profess contentment with life in their adopted fatherland, almost all admit a touch of homesickness for America at Christmas time.

Sergt. Anthony Calabrese, of Pittsburgh, Pa., has not been home in 18 years. He married a German girl and has a flourishing motor business there.

A framed record of his war service hanging in his parlor recalls his fighting days in the Aisne-Marne offensive.

"There are no bitter feelings left in the people here," Calabrese said. "I was the first American to enter Andernach to requisition billets for the Third Division."

"But when Christmas time comes along I feel I should like to fly across and spend some time with my mother and my two brothers in Pittsburgh."

Fred Busch of Nanticoke, Pa., echoed these sentiments. He was a member of President Wilson's escort when he landed at Naples, Italy.

Yuletide brings these voluntary exiles together for a turkey dinner and to swap stories. A plum pudding sent from America is a luxury much appreciated.

Among the American colony are John Day, of Atlanta, Ga.; Raymond Carry, of Marion, Ind., and half a dozen others. They are in business or farming.

12,000,000 BUSINESS MEN

There are 12,000,000 businessmen in America—most of them little fellows. They were farm boys, clerks, mechanics and such who saved a little money and used it to back an idea. Today they produce and deliver to us everything we desire, from an automobile to a box of salve.

They are the men who make jobs for other men. They are the men who make the abundant life possible, if we are willing to work hard enough for it, and criticism of them doesn't become anybody who has been less useful.—Robert Quillen.

HOUSEHOLD HELPS

MRS. MARGARET STUFF, Editor, Route 5, Box 179-B, Fort Worth, Texas.

CHRISTMAS EVE PARTY

One of the merriest times for informal entertainment during the holidays is Christmas Eve.

Usually groups of young people make various homes their "headquarters," or, at least, they should be encouraged to do so. If, however, there are no young folk in your family, and you wish to entertain some particular group of friends, the party described in this article is "sure-fire" for wholesome fun.

Young groups connected with Sunday schools, or other youthful organizations, will also find Christmas Eve a jolly time for celebrating.

The party which I have in mind is called "Trim-a-Tree Christmas Eve Supper." Most every normal person loves to trim a Christmas tree. Given some tinsel, tinfoil and a few pretty trifles, even the most sedate individual will join in this festive affair. Young folk will naturally revel in it.

If there be no young people in your home, trim a tree anyway! It will make your own holiday happier. You will have double joy if the tree is taken to some humble home where Christmas lights are few, or perhaps lacking altogether.

But getting back to our party. The invitations may be sent either the conventional way, or you may have an original idea and want to fashion your own in some artistic manner—

A buffet supper would prove popular for this occasion, a complete menu, if you so prefer, for which is submitted at the close of this article. A tasteful and artistic arrangement of the table will add greatly to the attractiveness of the supper. If you are fortunate enough to possess one of the lovely crystal center-pieces so fashionable now, this will afford you an ideal time to use it with your whitest table-cloth. Or a somewhat unique effect may be gained by using large sheets of silver paper instead of the customary tablecloth. Small trees, or branches, covered with silver paint are appropriate and beautiful table decorations. Holly leaves, mistletoe and colored lights may also be used with great effect.

Dishes and silver should be placed within easy reach, on the serving table or an extra table close by. Napkins may be handed guests as they come into the dining room, or they may be placed with the dishes and silver. After guests are served, they may choose seats wherever the host or hostess indicates.

After the buffet supper, guests adjourn to the room where you have provided the necessary decorations for tree trimming. Each guest is given something to do. Some may string cranberries or popcorn; some may pop the corn; others string and hang the ornaments on tree. If some guest is adept with the scissors, lovely forms may be cut out of colored paper to hang on the tree. Acorns make attractive ornaments when covered with silver or brightly-colored tinfoil.

To make the event seem more party like, you can offer a prize for the most unique and original ornament created by any guest. The host or hostess should provide necessary materials for this contest, and set a time limit for the work. A "consolation prize" for the funniest or poorest design would furnish additional fun.

For favors and Christmas Eve gifts, have guests pack favor boxes for their partners. It is great fun to write the names of all guests present on separate slips of paper, then draw names to see for whom you prepare a favor. It will prove more interesting to keep the names secret until the presentation is made. Prizes may be awarded for the nicest favor box. Small boxes for these favors may be purchased at the stores. Candies, nuts, small toys, fruits and humorous decorations, together with gay

wrapping paper, twine and cards should be provided for favor-making. Names of the recipient and giver may be put on the card; then package placed on tree to be taken off just before departure of guests.

After the decorated tree is given final touches, turn on tree lights, darken room and all join in singing Christmas carols or other familiar songs.

You should find this type of party refreshing and popular with your friends.

THE SUPPER MENU

- Sliced Cold Boiled Ham or Roast
- Savory Potato Cakes*
- Fruit Salad
- Cauliflower au Gratin*
- Stuffed and Green Olives
- Celery
- Various Breads and Butter
- Jelly or Jam
- Cake and Coffee.

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A CHRISTMAS THOUGHT

For a number of years many of you have given me the privilege, through this "Household Helps" department, of coming into your home for a brief visit each month. If I have left with you a cheerful thought or a bit of useful information, I am most happy. Above all, I am grateful for your friendship, and

hoping it will reach to heaven. But, alas, his hopes are dashed and mankind is scattered far and wide!

Again he builds—this time a great empire. Then the handwriting on the wall spells his doom, gates crush, and the empire falls.

Into the realms of mysticism and cults he delves—still hoping and dreaming. Across the vast, dark abyss of time he calls for help for someone to lead him unto the light. At last a voice is heard and it says, "Why are ye troubled?"

How kindly and comforting has been that voice. For 2,000 years it has spoken to us, telling us to be of good cheer, to fear not, to have faith. It speaks again at this glad Christmas time in ringing, reassuring words. Shall we find truth and comfort in what it says or shall we turn away in doubt and despair? "Seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto ye."

We leave with you this word picture—wishing you a delightful, happy Christmas and happy New Year.

GOD BLESS YOU ALL is my sincere wish.



SELECTED CHRISTMAS RECIPES

Here are appetizing, delightful and delicious dishes for the holiday season. Try all of them and let us know what results you have. Here is wishing you many enjoyable meals—without "tummy" aches.

Savory Potato Cakes
2 cups cold mashed potatoes
1 tablespoon chopped onion
4 slices broiled bacon, chopped
1/2 teaspoon pepper
1/2 cup grape-nuts
2/3 cup milk.

Combine ingredients in order given. Shape into cakes. Sauté in skillet in small amount of fat until golden brown. Serves 6.

Tuna Fish Sandwich Filling
Place 1 cup water in top of double boiler and bring to a boil over direct heat. Combine 3 tablespoons Minute Tapioca, 1 1/2 teaspoons salt, 1/2 teaspoon pepper and 1/2 teaspoon paprika; add gradually to water and bring to a brisk boil, stirring constantly. Place immediately over rapidly boil-

ing water and cook 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add 1 tablespoon butter. Remove from boiling water. Combine 1 cup flaked tuna fish, 1/2 cup chopped pickles, 2 tablespoons chopped pimiento, 1 tablespoon vinegar and 1/3 cup mayonnaise; add to tapioca mixture and blend. Cool—mixture thickens as it cools. Makes 2 cups filling. Other cooked fish may be substituted.

Cauliflower au Gratin
Cook a large cauliflower until tender in boiling salt water; then drain and plunge into cold water. Drain and dry, divide into small pieces

quantity of grated cheese mixed together and brown in a quick oven. Serve hot. This is ideal for "Trim-a-tree party" as the casserole keeps the food hot for a long time.

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Caramel Pumpkin Tarts

- 1 1/4 cups cooked or canned pumpkin
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon ginger
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 3 eggs
- 2/3 cup caramelized sugar
- 1 1/2 cups hot milk.

Combine pumpkin, 1/2 cup sugar, spices and salt in double boiler and heat. Add beaten eggs. Caramelize 2/3 cup sugar by placing in vessel over heat and stirring until it melts and becomes a golden brown syrup; then add milk. Add last mixture to the pumpkin mixture. Pour into uncooked tart shells (or plain pie tin lined with pastry) and bake in hot oven 10 minutes. Reduce heat and bake until knife comes out clean. Serve with whipped cream.

Bran Cheese Roulettes

- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/2 cup Whole Bran Shreds
- 1 1/2 cups sifted flour
- 2 1/2 teaspoons double-acting baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 4 tablespoons butter or other shortening
- Melted butter
- 1 cup grated American cheese
- Salt
- Paprika.

Pour milk over bran and let stand 5 minutes. Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and salt, and sift again. Cut in shortening. Add bran mixture, and stir until soft dough is formed. Add 1 tablespoon additional milk, if necessary. Turn out on slightly floured board and knead 30 seconds, or enough to shape. Roll into oblong sheet, 1/4-inch thick. Brush with melted butter. Sprinkle with salt and paprika. Roll as for jelly roll; cut in 1/2-inch slices and place in greased muffin pans. Brush tops with melted butter. Bake in hot oven (425° F.) 20 to 25 minutes. Makes 2 dozen roulettes.

X-RAYS FOR STEEL

X-rays now help steel-makers turn out almost fool-proof metal. An English manufacturer has installed a giant ray machine to test his products, to be sure it contains no hidden faults. The rays reveal cracks in the interior of the steel.

Again this shows how the business world has adapted one of the most valuable aids to medicine. Discovered by a German doctor, Wilhelm Roentgen in 1895, X-rays long have been "seeing through" humans to help physicians. Today they also see through a great many other things.

In South Africa, they have one of their most spectacular uses. There, they are turned on a miner suspected of stealing diamonds. As X-rays do not pass through bones and diamonds very well, the outline of the man's skeleton is silhouetted on a chemically-treated screen. And if the man has any diamonds concealed about him, even in his stomach, those, too, cast shadows on the screen.

"And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child, and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also."—Matthew 2:8.

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SMOKE

FROM THE MOUNTAIN

A lot of our friends must have thought we were looking hungry or pretty lean because we got two very nice gifts indeed this week—one from Jim Daniels, who presented us with a whole side of a hog and those ribs were the best we've had this year, barring none. Then Mr. E. Smith kept us furnished in green vegetables which we enjoyed immensely. We are beginning to think Christmas ought to come oftener.

A certain young man named John Franklin waited up last night to meet a late bus with the girl friend on it and when she didn't show up he happened to wonder—maybe the letter said she'd stop at Brownwood. Anyway we saw Wednesday he was in a good humor and apparently had found her.

Incomplete Data Delays Arrival Of Soil Checks

Most of the farmers taking part in the Federal government's 1937 soil conservation program have completed all of the government's requirements. But those farmers will not receive their checks until at least 75 per cent of the ranchmen complete the Federal requirements, Sam H. Rosenberg, assistant county agent, declared. Only about 40 per cent of the ranchmen have completed the work necessary to approval, it was added.

Following farmers, classified by the agricultural district in which they reside, are requested to get in touch with the county agent's office within the next few days in order that their contracts might be placed in correct order. District "A," J. C. Casey, Truett Hipsher, Wesley Kile, A. C. May, H. Wetherington, H. C. Snodgrass, T. C. Whittington, and Gene T. Wisenor; District "B," Harvey Andrews, Roger Keeney, A. L. McGahey, G. A. Morris and S. D. Wilson; District "C," R. F. Miller, J. H. Steward, Mrs. J. H. Steward, M. F. West, and D. W. Whitefield; District "D," Mrs. Ada Brown, T. K. Campbell, Archie Crenshaw, Monroe Forehand, Roy Pearce, A. F. Terrell, and J. P. Thompson; and District "E," J. A. Baucon, H. L. Crabb, John M. Elkins, and A. A. Young.

Farmers who have failed to report to the county agent whether or not they have completed terracing projects on their farms include, J. C. Wigginton, J. L. Beard, Elgean Shield, C. G. Hudgins, E. L. Nelson, J. M. Savage, J. C. King, W. W. Trammell, Clay H. Wilson, Henry Cook, Jr., and J. L. Hall. All of these farmers as well as those named in the preceding paragraphs have money coming from the Federal government if they will only inform the county agent's office they have completed the Federal government's requirements. All of the other contracts have already been approved by the Federal government's office at Texas A & M College.

Ranchmen who have not as yet met all the requirements are asked to do so as soon as possible due to the fact they are preventing the payment of all the other ranchmen and farmers.

Forms on which the farmers and ranchmen will apply for payment are expected to arrive here about the first of the new year, Mr. Rosenberg, Coleman Democrat Voice.

MEETING

Annual meeting of the Santa Anna Bank will be held January 11, 1938, 2 p. m. in the office of the bank, 101 N. Main street.

Tree and Party For Children At Recreation Hall

Santa Claus To Give Personal Gifts Friday at 6 p. m.

The Recreation Department will entertain the underprivileged children of the city with a Christmas tree Friday at 6 p. m. at the Recreation Hall near the City Hall. Santa Claus will give personal gifts to the children from a beautifully decorated tree and will try to make Christmas happier for several of the city's children who might have a small Christmas.

The Department has been canvassing for the names and ages of children who should come and has selected a personal gift for each one. The Lions Club and the American Legion are assisting in purchasing fruit and candy for the children.

During the program of gift giving carols will be sung by the children and visitors who wish to attend.

The recreation department will still accept gifts of toys and other articles suitable for children if citizens wish to contribute to this cause. The gifts should be turned to Mrs. J. R. Banister or Mrs. J. R. Gipson by Friday morning so the names can be placed on them.

Those sponsoring this entertainment and assisting in the work are the following committees and directors: Dr. T. R. Sealy, Mrs. John R. Banister, Mrs. J. R. Gipson, Mrs. Harold Knape, Dr. and Mrs. R. R. Lovelady, Mrs. W. R. Kelley, and Mrs. Glen Williamson. Mayor Lemman Brown is an ex-officio director.

Funeral Services For Jack Miller Held Last Friday

Husband of Local Girl Is Buried At Comanche; Rites At Parents' Home

Funeral services for Jack Miller were held last Friday afternoon at 2 p. m. at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Miller of Comanche. Rev. Barrick, pastor of the First Baptist Church of that city, officiated at the rites.

Mr. Miller, who was well-known in Santa Anna, died here last Thursday morning at the home of his father-in-law, John Oakes, after an illness of several weeks.

Born February 28, 1912, Mr. Miller was only 25 years, 9 months and three days old at the time of his death.

On May 20, 1936 he was married to Miss Mary Oakes of this city and the couple moved to South Texas and later to Comanche until illness prevented Mr. Miller from continuing in business.

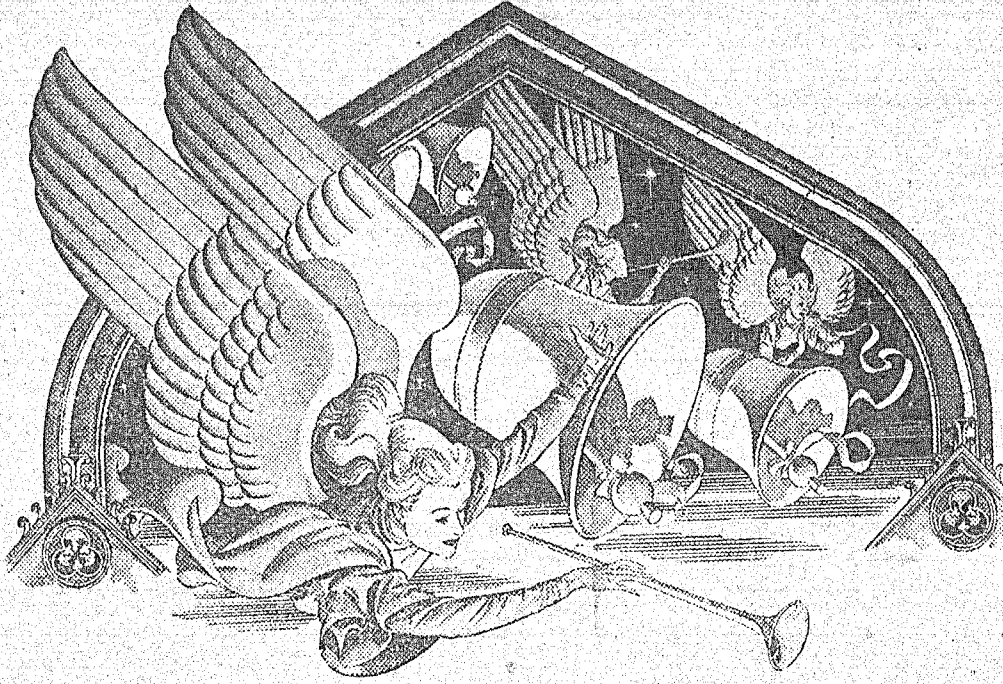
Surviving him are his wife, and a baby son, Jackie; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Miller of Comanche; and one sister, Mrs. E. J. Harden of Los Angeles, Cal.

Pall bearers were Bob Allen, C. McCullough, J. V. Carter, Damon Hall, Junior Durham, Newman Upton of Santa Anna, and Jack Mobley of Santa Anna.

Ladies in charge of the beautiful flowers were Mrs. J. W. Carter, Mrs. C. L. Boardman, Mrs. Mary Alice Mitchell, Mrs. Alpheus Boardman, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mobley, Mr. and Mrs. Neal Oakes, John Oakes, Leon Oakes, Marjorie Oakes, Helen Oakes and Newman Upton.

Interment was made in the Oakwood Cemetery.

Miss Emma John Blake, student at McMurry College, Abilene, is home for the holidays and will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Blake.



Good Tidings of Great Joy—

"And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed . . . And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the City of David, which is called Bethlehem: (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her first born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone around about them; and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord . . . And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,—Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men." —Luke 2:1-14

Students Honored At Lions Luncheon

Mary Feld Mathews, freshman, and Billie Louise Weatherman, Jo Ann Baker and Jean Mobley, students of the Ward School, were honor guests of the Lions Club Tuesday as reward for high scholastic achievement in their school work. Three other high school students attended last week, when Miss Mathews was unable to attend.

The ward school students represented those making the highest grades in the fourth, fifth and sixth grades, respectively, in the order named.

During the business session at the Club the Lions contributed from personal funds to aid the Recreation Department in buying candy for the Christmas tree planned for needy children.

Members present were A. D. Pettit, J. T. Garrett, Hardy Blue, John F. Turner, Rex Golston, J. W. Riley, O. A. Ethredge, W. H. Thate, Loyd Burgess, Geo. M. Johnson, Calvin Campbell, D. L. Pieratt, J. C. Scarborough, M. L. Womack and J. V. Davis.

TIMBER WOLF CAUGHT ON GUTHRIE RANCH

Rufe Oxford, government trapper, brought in a live timber wolf Tuesday caught on the Lee Guthrie ranch in the southeast part of the county Monday night. The wolf attracted quite a bit of attention on the street of Santa Anna where it was placed in the back of Mr. Oxford's car.

Miss Armenta Ragsdale, student at Mary Hardin-Baylor College, arrived Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ragsdale.

STORES CLOSED SATURDAY

Stores in Santa Anna will be closed the entire day Saturday in observance of Christmas, except those usually not closing, such as cafes and drug stores.

Purchasers are urged to do their week-end shopping on Thursday and Friday due to this fact so that they will have enough supplies to last over the week-end and until they return to town.

New Year's Day also falls on Saturday, but it is not likely that stores will close on that day since it is not customary here and the closing of two Saturdays in a row would seriously hurt business.

Rain Cheering To Farmers Here

The rain falling last week and part of this week cheered the farmers and ranchers of this section beyond measure since it was needed badly for pastures, small grain, and filling of tanks.

The rain came slowly and soaked into the ground which was far better than a hard rain. More is needed but the farmers felt much more encouraged when they were able to come to town Saturday after four days of mist, rain and showers which fell Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Delmo Crye of Houston is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Crye.

DR. BURGESS SEALY RECEIVES APPOINTMENT TO MAYO BROS. CLINIC

Dr. Burgess Sealy, son of Dr. and Mrs. T. R. Sealy, has just received an appointment for three years fellowship in surgery at Mayo Brothers Clinic, Rochester, Minn. His appointment begins July 1, 1938.

Miss Lula Jo Harvey of Santa Anna, Miss Olene George of Bangs, Miss Elizabeth Cliett and Nathan Cliett, Mr. Caudle and George Grady, all of Cisco, will leave Thursday for Mexico City to attend the fiesta week there.

Trickham Once Had Weekly Newspaper Published By School Teacher

By Miss Luella Chambers
Fifty years ago Trickham had a newspaper edited by Professor O. C. Melton who had charge of the school. I do not know where it was printed. I saw one copy—a nice clean little four page paper.

I heard at the time he was paid \$300 per month to run the paper and school. The people of that community wanted their children to have every advantage possible and did not mind paying for it. Trickham was called the "Free State and the Hub of the Universe" possibly because of the independent spirit of the people.

I remember Clarence and Herbert Carr had a drugstore and postoffice. Mr. L. L. Shield had a general merchandise store. There may have been others. Just as we entered the town the first time it was at the noon hour and two girls were just ending a horse race which I enjoyed very much.

Funeral Services For G. S. Evans Held December 16

Long-Time Resident of Santa Anna Passes; Widow and Eight Children Survive

Funeral services were held Thursday, Dec. 16, 1937 at 3 p. m. in the First Baptist Church at Santa Anna for G. S. Evans, who passed away Wednesday morning, Dec. 15. The burial took place at the Santa Anna Cemetery. Rev. R. Elmer Dunham was in charge of the service.

Active pall bearers were his grandsons, Edward and Pat Everett, Alvin Burden, Evans Burden, W. C. Burden, Lewis Evans Jr., and a nephew, Otis Waggoner. Honorary pall bearers were his many friends.

Mesdames F. B. Hill Jr., Vernon Parker, Chester Britton, Alvin Burden, Edward Everett, Thelma Ballew, and Misses Kathryn Burden and Era Hill had charge of the many beautiful flowers.

G. S. Evans was born Nov. 20, 1860 at Mulberry, Tennessee. He was married to Miss Mary Kathryn Waggoner May 24, 1882 at Mulberry and moved to Texas in 1885.

He settled in Burnet County where he lived three years. He then moved to Williamson County near Georgetown where he lived until 1904. At that time he moved with his family to Coleman County and settled on a farm about three and one-half miles northeast of Santa Anna. Here he lived until his death.

Mr. Evans is survived by his wife and eight of his eleven children; Mrs. H. E. Everett of Eastland, Mrs. C. M. Bartlett, Mrs. J. E. Batton, Mrs. W. H. Burden, W. C. Evans, Mrs. J. B. Howington, G. L. Evans, Mrs. George Stewardson Jr., all of Santa Anna. Three children preceded him in death. They were Sally and Clyde Evans and Mrs. R. P. Casan.

Mr. Evans also leaves twenty grandchildren, five great grandchildren, one brother and four sisters to mourn his death.

He was converted and united with the Church of Christ at the age of twenty-seven and lived a consecrated, Christian life from then until his death.

Out of town relatives and friends attending the funeral were Mrs. M. D. Marshall, Dan and Brady Marshall, Mrs. Jack Barrington of Taylor; Mrs. Sally Evans, Georgetown; Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Waggoner, Mrs. E. C. Lee, Mrs. Thelma Ballew, Otis Waggoner of San Angelo; Mrs. W. C. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hudgins, R. W. Evans, Winters; Mrs. Edgar Cole, Mrs. Lillian Rowlett, Abilene; Pat Everett and son, Stamford; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Everett and son and H. E. Everett of Eastland; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Britton, Brownwood; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Everett and Mrs. Mont Swain, Lometa.

Hosch Undertakers were in charge of arrangements.

Lake Project To Begin In March Information Says

Full Time Crew To Be Available By That Time

Preliminary surveys and arrangements for the new city lake to be built here will begin by March 1, according to information to Mayor Lemman Brown, G. S. Evans, who passed away Wednesday morning, Dec. 15. WPA labor can be secured at that time.

Citizens have been anxious to learn of the progress being made for the lake, which will be an improvement on the present one since the new one will have sufficient drainage to furnish the city in a dry season.

The reason for the delay is that practically all WPA labor has been contracted months in advance and no full time crew could be obtained until about the end of February. The use of a part-time crew adds to the expense of the project and slows the work so that it was thought advisable to wait until a full time crew could work.

Forged Checks Being Passed In This County

Officers of West Texas are seeking the person who is passing forged Western Produce Co. checks in this territory. One has been passed in Santa Anna and five in Coleman according to the last report and others have been passed in San Angelo and Brady, stated Sheriff George Brady.

All the checks were made out for about \$14 each. They were given to W. R. Kelley & Co. Hardware in Santa Anna, and Grammer Dry Goods Company, Hicks Rubber Company, Gray Mercantile Co., Goodyear Tire Co. and Horne Hardware Co., all of Coleman.

About 39 checks were stolen from the Ballinger office of the Western Produce Co. several days ago, it was reported and these forged checks in this territory are those blanks that have been filled in since the theft.

Edwin Niell visited home folks Saturday through Wednesday when he returned to Lubbock where he is employed while attending Texas Tech. He went to San Marcos before he left to bring his sister, Ruth Niell, student at the Teachers College, home for the holidays.

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Friday, Dec. 24
We Will Run Friday Afternoon From 1 p. m. on as We Do Saturday.
HOP-A-LONG CASSIDY in
"North Of The Rio Grande"

Sat., Sun., Mon., Dec. 25-26-27
The JONES FAMILY in
"Borrowing Trouble"
With JED PROUTY
and SHIRLEY DEANE
Matinee Sat., 2 p. m.

Tues., Dec. 28
BARGAIN NIGHT 5c & 10c
WILLIAM HALL in
"Escape By Night"
With ANNE NAGEL

Wed.-Thurs. Dec. 29-30
BUDDY ROGERS in
"This Way Please"
With MARY LIVINGSTON,
FIBBER and MOLLY MCGEE

Starting Saturday Night, Jan. 1, We Will Run MIDNITE PREVIEW 11 p. m.
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A Yuletide Greeting

The News editor and assistants wish to extend to all the subscribers, advertisers and friends of the News their most heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the fine cooperation each of you has given the staff this year. The present staff, in the front office, was new at the job and the business men and subscribers' attitude of cooperation has had a great deal to do with the work we have done this year.

We will endeavor to give our readers a better paper next year and we have already made plans for improvements in the appearance and completeness of the issues. Your suggestions and backing are always welcome for they encourage us to try even more to serve you.

With the remembrance of your good wishes in the past and the hope of your continued favor, the staff wishes each a very Merry Christmas.

Christmas Carnage

During last year's Christmas season, 4,290 Americans were killed in traffic accidents. More lives were lost in that Christmas carnage than in carrying on the American Revolution, which lasted eight years. This season the National Safety Council, with the support of numerous other civic bodies, is waging a Nationwide campaign to reduce the Christmas traffic toll by effecting stricter enforcement of traffic laws by police officers and courts at a time when it is natural to relax and by inducing every driver and pedestrian to be doubly cautious.

Parents, teachers and others can help in this effort to save lives. One Dallas citizen, W. T. Binford, civil deputy in the Sheriff's office, has even made use of a holiday card to promote safety. His pictorial card shows the number killed and injured in automobile accidents in Dallas County this year, bears a warning against driving after drinking and carries the greeting, "Drive carefully so I can wish you a Merry Christmas next year."

Heavy traffic, hurrying drivers and poor visibility make the holiday season especially hazardous. More Americans were killed in traffic accidents last December than in the entire year of 1913. Many of the 4,290 deaths and 110,000 injuries last December could have been avoided. Their repetition this holiday season can be at least partially prevented if more caution is used. —The Dallas News

Cleveland News

By Gwendolyn Hodges
Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Priest and baby visited in the Jack Stovall home Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Dick Ford entertained the young folks with a party Saturday night.
Miss Evelyn Haynes spent Saturday night with Misses Lee Etta and Margie Fleming.
Miss Doris Moore was a Saturday night guest of Miss Kathleen McCormick.
Visitors in the Richard Jennings home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Claud Hodges, Gwendolyn and Ialine Hodges, Doris Cupps, John Jennings, L. P. Jennings, Jr., Faye Jennings and Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Jennings.
There is to be a Christmas tree at the Methodist Church Friday night.
Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hibbetts

visited Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Baugh Sunday afternoon.
Dorothy Hibbetts spent Saturday night with Syble Phillips.
There was prayer meeting at the Methodist Church Sunday night.
Several from this community attended church at Liberty Sunday night.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our deepest gratitude to our many friends for their many acts of kindness during the sickness and death of our husband and father.

Especially do we wish to thank the doctors and nurses of the Sealy Hospital, and Pat and Norman Hoshch for their untiring services.

May God's richest blessing be on you.

Mrs. G. S. Evans and Children

Read the advertisements.

WE EXTEND OUR GREETINGS

We feel that you have helped in a large way to make our business a success. We feel it is a privilege to serve you and with deep appreciation to you we extend our greetings for the season.

Merry Christmas and Happy, Prosperous New Year To All

Bud Crump Service Station
Gulf Products
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Baptist Column

R. Elmer Dunham, Pastor.
Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.
Roy Reid, Supt.
Training Union 6:15 p. m.
Lester Newman, Director.
Praching Services 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. By pastor.

A Great Day Sunday

The past Sunday was one of real joy and achievement. A good attendance at Sunday School and preaching services at the morning hour, and a splendid address on Buckner Orphans Home by Miss Roberta Howard, formerly of the Home and now of Howard Payne College, followed by an offering of more than \$230.00 put everyone into a real Christmas Spirit. The offering will be held open for a few days and will go far beyond the amount already in hand. At the evening service Mr. W. J. Lites of the State Sunday School Department, made an address which inspired all hearers. He will continue with us thru Wednesday evening.

College Students Welcomed

A number of college students worshipped with us Sunday morning, representing more than half a dozen colleges in the state and one from out of the state. It was good to see them back home and taking their places in church services. They are the "Cream of the Crop" of young people and will be the leaders of tomorrow.

A Religious Christmas Observance

A large number stood up Sunday morning to say that they believe we should observe Christmas as the Birthday of Christ by having a religious service, so plans were announced for a thirty minute service at the Church Friday evening from 7 to 7:30. The Christmas Story will be read, carols and songs will be sung, and promptly at 7:30 the service will adjourn, some of the people going out with baskets of fruit and food for needy families, others to sing carols by various windows.

Place A Candle For A Carol

Anyone wishing the carolers to sing by their window on the night of Christmas Eve should light a candle and place it in a front window. All young people of all churches are invited to join the Senior Prep and Senior Hi Union groups who will set forth at 7:30 to sing carols. They will appreciate your co-operation in placing the candles where singing is desired.

New Year's Eve Watch Party

The Men of the Brotherhood will have their wives as guests at a seven o'clock dinner at the church Friday, Dec. 31. Just following this the Sunday School lesson and prayer meeting period of 45 minutes will come and those who wish to be dismissed for an "early-to-bed." All others, beginning at 8:30 will participate in a social which will last until midnight and the beginning of the new year. A play "The Tragedy of Tin Can Alley" will be one feature of the social. It will be directed by Miss Ora Alice New-

man. Following this games and stunts will be in vogue, with perhaps candy making, popcorn popping, etcetera, et cetera, et cetera will make the hours pass hurriedly away. This is an all-church social and all ages are invited. No requirement will be made of anyone to remain until the year ends but loads of fun will make all wish to stay.

Pray For Peace

In a war-torn world let us each and all pray for peace for our own nation and the world. Let us pray for our President, who is exerting splendid efforts to avert war. What more fitting thing could we be doing at the Birthday of the "Prince of Peace" than praying for ridance of the awful horror of costly, foolish mass murder, known as war? Let us pray for peace!

Assembly of God

Sunday School 9:45.
Praching at 11 o'clock.
Christ Ambassadors at 6:30 p. m.
Evangelistic service at 7:30 p. m.
Praching on Wednesday and Saturday evenings at 7:30.
R. V. Boatright, Pastor.

Presby'rian Church

M. L. Womack, Minister
Sunday School, 10 a. m., J. T. Oakes, Supt.
Services at 11:00 a. m. and 6:30 p. m.
Mother's Club third Thursday in each month.
Women's Missionary Society Mondays after second and fourth Sundays.

May this be a joyful Christmas to our little flock. We are very grateful for the many kindnesses shown us during the past year. May heaven's rich blessings be in each home. May the New Year open its gates bidding you welcome to its green pastures on the banks of the still waters. Kind greetings are extended to all the people of the community.

Many of the Fire Boys came last Sunday. We were greatly pleased to have them. The door is always open to them and their families.

The children will have a brief program next Sunday morning.

The Mother's Club arranged a program and Christmas tree last Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lester Guthrie.

You are cordially invited to attend our services next Sunday.

Methodist Church

Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Morning Worship 11 o'clock.
The pastor will speak, honoring the return of our young people who are visiting home from college for the holidays.
Young People's Meeting 6:00

A Merry Christmas TO YOU

You who have been dealing with us regularly know that it is our desire to serve our customers in every way possible to promote the general welfare of the community. We feel that you are a part of our business and we are grateful for your patronage. We are wishing for you a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Phillips Drug Co.

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Youths Secure Jobs Through Federal Agency

Austin, Dec. 23. — As a consequence of the employment program operated for Texas youth jointly by the Texas State Employment Service and the National Youth Administration, more than 900 young people between the ages of 18 and 21 were placed in private jobs during the month of November, J. C. Kellam, State Youth Director, said. This accomplishment represents approximately a normal month's job placements for these two agencies, he said.

The four Junior Division offices of the Employment Service obtained private employment for 853 youths. One hundred sixty-one from NYA work projects obtained private jobs, some of them through the Employment Service, others through their own efforts or aided by NYA Representatives.

Preliminary reports for November indicate that a private job will be among the Christmas gifts quite a large number of Texas youths receive through these two agencies, Mr. Kellam said.

The National Youth Administration work program now provides part-time employment and work training for about 5,000 eligible youths, Mr. Kellam explained. Through the work performed and in parallel spare-time training classes these youths obtain experience and information on how to work and where to get a job.

The four Junior Division offices of the Employment Service are in Dallas, Houston, Ft. Worth and San Antonio. The employment Service also assists young people who need jobs through its regular offices in other cities and towns.

Elvard McClothing of Corpus Christi came Sunday to visit with relatives and friends during the Christmas holidays.

A VERY MERRY Christmas

A Happy New Year

To You

We thank you for favors since we have been in Santa Anna. We will consider it an opportunity to be able to serve you during 1938

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Santa Anna — Texas

HAPPINESS TO YOU

We regard a great many friends and customers in this community very highly, having known them through business relations. And now that business is being driven out by the gay days of the Yuletide may we with the others wish you happiness and joy. We appreciate your patronage and hope to continue serving you.

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Santa Claus, Originated In Holland, Has Many Names In Many Countries

Santa Claus is the most popular figure in the world. Children watch for him from Christmas Eve to the next morning. The patron saint who can make their dreams come true. Santa Claus, himself, however, doesn't visit every country. He sends helpers to some of them. Sometimes, too, Santa Claus answers to a different name.

He originated in Holland, hundreds of years ago, under the name of St. Nicholas. He didn't wait until Christmas Eve to come, but appeared on Dec. 5. Therefore, he is expected on that night every year, and the day is called St. Nicholas Day.

St. Nicholas rides a snow white horse down the narrow Dutch streets. Wherever he sees a wooden shoe outside the door of a house he enters. That shoe is a sign that a little boy or girl lives there. St. Nicholas scatters toys and candy from the sack on his shoulder, over the floor, and then rides on to the next house.

In France the children await Le Pere Noel, as their Santa Claus is called, to come on Christmas Eve. Those who have misbehaved are frightened. For with Le Pere Noel travels Father Whipper, who has a long gray beard and a frown. Father Whipper follows Le Pere Noel down every chimney and leaves a switch for each child who has disobeyed during the year.

Santa Claus sends his twin brother to Sweden and Norway. Father Christmas, as the brother is called, looks very much

DISTRIBUTING ALMANAC



From the Santa Fe railway's general offices in Topeka, Kansas, these charming young women are mailing 525,000 Santa Fe almanacs for 1938. Demands for these almanacs always exceed the supply since the booklet contains a great store of general information as well as weather wisdom and zodiacal lore. Every rural route boxholder along the Santa Fe System lines will receive the almanac and 200,000 of them will be distributed to urbanites.

Whon News

By Corine Traveek
Everyone at Whon has the Christmas spirit and is eagerly waiting for Santa. If anyone happens not to believe in Santa Claus just come to Whon—we have sure proof.

The pupils of Whon School decorated a Christmas tree for Mr. and Mrs. Cicero Smith. Mrs. Smith has been an invalid for about three months, and it was the pupils' desire to gain happiness by making a shut-in happy.

Tex Featherston spent the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Carter.

Miss Beulah Tisdell and Mrs. Tom Wheeler accompanied Mrs. Bendleman to visit her brother of Melvin, Texas.

Last week a jolly group of hunters returned from Rock Springs. The hunting party consisted of E. M. Tisdell, Beulah Tisdell, Dick Black, Nolan Black and Eaf Day. They spent several days on C. K. Black's ranch. Plenty of deer and turkey were seen, and all but one turkey may still be seen unless a more fortunate group has been hunting since. Beulah seemed more interested in 'Ole Bess, (a pony, not a cow) than in shooting deer. She came home a champion rider.

The turkey that met his fate by the aim of the hunters was brought to Mrs. E. M. Tisdell. She not only baked the turkey but also the "fixtures" that make a turkey dinner complete. The result was a big turkey dinner. Those present to enjoy the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Black, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Tisdell, Nolan, Billie, Cloelia and Maxie Gene Black and Vera Faye and Beulah Tisdell. Mrs. Black and Mr. Tisdell furnished the music for the occasion and Mr. Black and Mrs. Tisdell the after dinner speeches.

Mr. and Mrs. Birl Shannon wish to announce the arrival of Charlotte Shannon, a sweet little baby girl.

Several school children have been absent this week because of the chicken-pox.

A large crowd attended a Sunday School party at Mrs. E. M. Tisdell's Monday evening, Dec. 20. Those present were Texas and Imogene Featherston, Elouise Calloway, Vera Fae

Tisdell, Vean Trotter, Bert Carter, Byrnes Calloway, Buford Teal, Bill Turner, Willie Lee Rutherford, and John Will Bryant. The entertainment consisted of a Christmas tree, games and singing. Everyone enjoyed it.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Black and family are moving near Coleman next week. We regret very much having them leave but we hope that they may find many friends at Coleman.

Miss Lorraine Hood was called to the bedside of the mother Monday evening.

Oliver Turner has left for Fort Worth to accept a position.

Civil Service Examinations Announced

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations as follows:

Junior tabulating machine operator, \$1,440 a year; alphabetic accounting machine operator, \$1,440 a year.

Inspector of railway signaling and train control, \$3,800 a year. Interstate Commerce Commission.

Mathematical statistical analyst, and senior associate, and assistant mathematical statistical analysts, \$2,600 to \$4,600 a year. Soil Conservation Service.

Full information may be obtained from the Secretary of the United States Civil Service Board of Examiners at the post office in any city which has a post office of the first or second class, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Greetings - -

To Our Friends:

One of the real joys of Yuletide is the opportunity to put aside the routine of every day business and in real sincerity wish our friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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THE HAPPIEST TIME OF THE YEAR

At Christmas time we lay aside our worries and cares and have a season of mirth and fellowship. We welcome this glad holiday that we may show appreciation of our patrons and friends by wishing them happiness and prosperity during Christmas and the New Year.

B. T. VINSON Grocery

May Your Home Be Filled With Christmas Cheer

May we share our Christmas wishes and good will with you and yours in the home. It is a pleasure to serve you at any time and we solicit your continued support during the New Year.

W. H. Hudgins Service Station

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like Santa. He doesn't leave any gifts until the children have sung their Christmas carols for him.

Over in Denmark little gnomes bring the Christmas presents to the children. They wear small red hats which make them invisible in a house. The children leave bowls of rice in the stables, which the gnomes are expected to eat, if they are hungry.

Santa's wife fills the stockings in Italy. An old legend explains why Befana, a witch-like woman, comes instead of Santa Claus.

It seems that on the night the Three Wise Men started to search for the manger where the Christ Child lay, they passed the house where Befana lived.

"Come with us to seek the Christ Child," they said.

Befana shook her head. "I have to sweep my house," she answered. And so, as a punishment, she must spend all her life sweeping, except the night before Christmas when she stops long enough to deliver gifts to Italian children.

In Germany Kris Kringle merely looks down the chimney, locates the wooden shoes that are waiting to be filled, and lets the toys drop into them.

Lighted candles are placed in the windows in Ireland and the doors are left open, for children believe that perhaps the Christ Child, searching for shelter, may come to their homes. There is always food on the table for him. Santa Claus also comes to Ireland with gifts for stockings.

In Poland, it is believed that at the hour of Christ's birth all the animals are granted the power to talk as human beings. All presents for Polish children are left at their churches.

The Kolyada, a girl dressed in white, who has always driven her sled from house to house on Christmas Eve in Russia, is banned now. The new government has decided

that Santa Claus and Christmas trees, too, must stay out of the country.

Christmas is called "Karacsony" in Hungary, and shoes are left on the doorsteps. If a child has been good he finds sugar in his, but if he has been bad, he will find switches.

St. Mikulas, who travels through Bohemia, is accompanied by an angel and a devil. The devil knows the naughty children and urges Saint Mikulas to give them switches for presents but the angel coaxes him to give them toys if they will promise to be better.

The Spanish children place tufts of straw and hay near their shoes when they start to church Christmas morning. While they are gone Santa Claus stops long enough to leave his toys and let the reindeer eat the food.

Santa Claus has many names and many helpers, but no matter who comes on the gift-bringing mission the same joyful spirit is back of it all.

—Kerrville Mountain Sun

Rockwood News

By Hearthal King

Miss Alpha Mae Johnson of McMurry College, Abilene, is at home for the Christmas holidays.

Glen Blackwell, Vernon Estes, Weldon McCreary, Harold Stewart and Marie McCreary of Texas Tech, Lubbock are at home for the Yuletide holidays.

Hilton Wise, Claude Box, and Evan Wise are hunting this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Johnson and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Taylor and family at Gouldbusk Sunday evening.

Marie McCreary, Margie Walton, Alpha Johnson, Woodrow Hull, Shorty Hull and Jr. Brusenhan attended the show at Brady last week.

The Junior play, "The Girl in the Fur Coat" was presented Tuesday night to a large crowd.

Season's Greetings

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Santa Anna Steam Laundry

Service That Satisfies Phone 32
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THE MOUNTAINEER

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OFFICIAL PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSPAPER

DECEMBER 24, 1937

Welcome Exes

Christmas is a gala time everywhere. It is looked forward to eagerly by everyone—not only boys and girls, but grown-ups as well. Young people that are at college probably look forward to Christmas more than any one else, for they know they are going home.

The student body of Santa Anna High School wishes every ex-student the happiest and merriest Christmas you have ever had.

Oran: I suppose you think I am a perfect idiot.
Betty Ruth: Oh, none of us are perfect.

Christmas Greetings

We sincerely wish to thank the editor and assistants of the Santa Anna News for their kind and patient service to us this past year. Your service has helped us beyond words.

We also want to wish the staff of the Santa Anna News and to the readers of the "Mountaineer" a very "Merry Christmas" and a "Happy New Year."

The Mountaineer Staff

Mickle: Al is the first person you learn about when you go to school.
Jessie: Al who?
Mickle: Alphabet.

Homemaking III Girls Plan Old-Fashioned Carol Sing

The Homemaking III girls are looking forward eagerly to Dec. 23, when they plan to have a regular old-fashioned carol sing, for the benefit of the town people. They plan to start in the evening about seven o'clock and visit various parts of the town and later meet at one of the girls' houses when they will have a Christmas tree.

So be cordial and invite the singers in. Help to make this a real old-fashioned Christmas and make it stand for all it is.

Freshmen Have Christmas Tree

The Freshman class had their class Christmas tree Monday, Dec. 20. It was given early in the week so that those going away for the Christmas holidays would not miss it. The class members drew names at the last class meeting for Christmas gifts.

Mr. Jackson, the sponsor, distributed the gifts which were on the tree. Miss Harvey gave everyone in the class a candy cane for their gift from her. Everyone received gifts and enjoyed the tree very much.

The class is planning to have a New Years party if possible. Carolyn Kingsbery is to give it for us.

Seniors Select Invitations

Mr. Thompson, representative of the Herff-Jones Engraving Company visited school a few days ago and called a meeting of the officers of the Senior Class to select invitations for the Seniors of 1937-38. A very new and unusual design was selected, the chief theme being cattle brands of long ago.

Debate Club Has First Debate

Thursday at the regular debate club meeting the first debate of season was held. The question for debate this year is resolved: "That the State of Texas Should Adopt a Unicameral Legislative System."

The boys' team, O. L. Cheaney and A. L. McGahey, defended the affirmative side of the question against Ara Belle Ragsdale and Billie Burk Pope who defended the negative side. This was only a practice debate and no judges were appointed and no votes cast for either side.

The capable coach, Mr. Charles Mathews, is working very diligently with his teams this year in an effort to develop a winning team.

Greenhands Are Initiated

In chapel Friday, Dec. 17 the F. F. A. Chapter of Santa Anna gave an interesting program on Future Farmers of America work. They also initiated three new members to the degree of greenhands. The new members were Felton Martin, Darrell Cupps and Keith Featherston.

Alumni Become Members of Tech Chapter Of Alpha Chi

Dosh T. McCreary of Santa Anna and Wendell Sparkman of Coleman have recently been selected members of the Alpha Chi, national honorary scholastic fraternity, according to news received from Lubbock. The two are of the 48 juniors of Texas Technological College who have been initiated into the club.

Membership is composed of junior and senior students whose scholastic rating places them in the upper ten per cent of all enrollees of the college.

Childhood Education Leader



DENTON, Texas—Miss Epsie Young, second grade supervisor in the N. T. S. T. C. Demonstration School here, has been named State president of the Association for Childhood Education. The election is considered a tribute to a leader in primary education in Texas and an honor to the local Teachers College.

A. C. E. boasts a Texas membership of 1,500 and is fast becoming one of the leading educational organizations in this country, according to its new State president. It is composed principally of teachers in the lower grades and was formed by the consolidation of the International Kindergarten Union and the National Primary Council.

T. L. Reid: If you don't quit flirting with my girl, you and I are going to play Santa Claus.
Oscar Hill: What do you mean?

T. L.: Your nose will be the fireplace and I'll hang a sock on it.

Mr. Jackson: Some fish travel long distances. Can anyone give me an instance?

Alice Louise: Yes sir, a gold fish, it travels around the globe every day.

Waiter: Are you Hungary?
Mr. Little: Yes, Siam.

Waiter: Den Russian to the table and I'll fill.

Mr. Little: All right. Sweden my coffee and Denmark my bill.

Seniors Have First Annual Play

Monday night, Dec. 20 the Santa Anna High School senior class of '38 presented their first annual play, "Miss Jimmy." A large crowd attended. About \$55.00 was taken in.

Between the second and third acts a contest was held to determine the most beautiful girl. Miss Dorothy Pettit received the prize, which was a large cake, baked by the Homemaking girls.

Sophomore News

The sophomore class regrets that one of their members, Mary Burney, has been seriously burned and is in the hospital. It is reported though that she is recovering rapidly. Each one in the class is hoping for Mary to return soon.

The class also wishes to welcome an old member into the class as a new one, Una Mae Farris. Una Mae was a member of the class part of last year, but moved away and is now returning. Una Mae, we welcome you back.

Santa Anna High School
Dec. 17, 1937

Dear nice Santa,
For Christmas I want a sign to put on my back which says, "My name is 'Mr. Jackson.'" I want four new meter sticks so I will have one nearly all of the time. I also want some fruits, nuts and smart General Science students. I hope I get everything I want.
Your little friend,
Mr. Jackson

Alice Jane Lovelady Entertains at Party

Alice Jane Lovelady entertained with a Christmas party Saturday night, Dec. 18. Various games were played, including bingo, in which seven couples won prizes.

Refreshments consisting of cakes and hot chocolate were served to the following guests: T. L. Reid, Dorothy Pettit, Betty Jo Reid, Buddy Lovelady, Willma Mills, A. L. McGahey, Emma Sue McCain, Virgil Lancaster, Lucille Lancaster, Bartlett Lamb, Betty Ruth Blue, Oran Henderson, Gwendolyn Oakes, Darrell Whitley, Charlie Henderson and the hostess, Alice Jane Lovelady.

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And, if in the last minute rush of Christmas buying, some one should be too rushed to give you a smile—leave one of yours.

For nobody needs a smile so much as those who have none left to give.

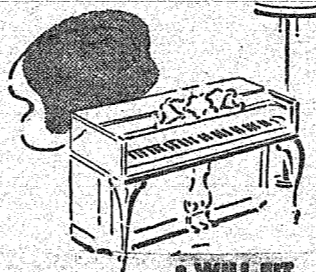
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SOCIETY - CLUBS

Mrs. Verner Named Luncheon Honoree

Mrs. Clifford B. Verner was named honoree at a beautiful luncheon given last Friday by Mrs. Harry Blue at her home in Santa Anna. The luncheon was a farewell courtesy for Mrs. Verner, who will leave in January to join her husband in Big Spring, where they will reside.

The dinner, served buffet style, consisted of turkey, dressing, cranberry sauce, celery curls, white salad, date pudding and coffee.

The centerpiece for the large table was beautifully decorated with a miniature Santa Claus forest, with frozen lake, trees, snow and reindeer. The small tables at which guests were seated were decorated with miniature Christmas trees. Attractive cards marked the place for each guest. The living room was also adorned with a lighted tree.

Those on the guest list included Mrs. C. B. Verner, Mrs. James L. White of Brownwood, Mrs. Ernest Allen of Blanket, Mrs. O. A. Etheredge, Mrs. T. R. Sealy, Mrs. Sherman Gehrett, Mrs. T. M. Hays Jr., Mrs. W. H. Thate, Mrs. C. D. Bruce, Mrs. Joe Mathews, Mrs. Loyd Burris, Mrs. H. O. Knappe and Miss Betty Blue.

Mrs. Nickens Is Hostess To Club

The Santa Anna Home Demonstration Club was entertained with their annual Christmas party last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. D. W. Nickens.

The home was beautifully decorated in seasonal colors and Christmas ornaments.

The club president, Mrs. John Lowe, presided for a brief business session and appointed Mrs. W. E. Vanderford as food supply demonstrator for the coming year and Mrs. R. C. West as bedroom demonstrator for 1938.

The guests were entertained

with jolly Christmas games, including pinning the tail on the reindeer. Miss Ellen Richards won the prize of a beautiful crocheted dollie. Christmas carols were sung and then Santa Claus came and gave each member a gift.

The club presented Mrs. C. D. Hardy with a shower of gifts in appreciation for her outstanding work in the club during this year.

Those present or who sent gifts were Miss Blanche Boyd, Mrs. Fred Turner, Mrs. J. C. Scarborough, Mrs. L. O. Garrett, Miss Luella Chambers, Mrs. Joe Harvey, Mrs. W. H. Standly, Mrs. J. F. Williams, Mrs. Dan Blake, Mrs. Leroy Stockard, Miss Ellen Richards, Mrs. Carl Ashmore, Mrs. John Lowe, Mrs. R. C. West, Mrs. Clinton Lowe, Mrs. E. W. Wiley, Mrs. Judge Woodruff, Mrs. W. E. Vanderford, Mrs. Mace Blanton, and the hostess.

Refreshments of hot chocolate, cookies and bright Christmas candy was served to the guests. Plate favors were tiny Christmas bells.

J. T. Yates Honored At Dinner On 68th Birthday Monday

J. T. Yates celebrated his 68th birthday Dec. 20 at the family home with a dinner and family reunion. Many relatives and friends called during the day and remained for the delicious dinner.

Those present to wish Mr. Yates happy returns of the day were Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Yates and family, Mr. and Mrs. Granville Roberts and family, Mr. and Mrs. Loranza Evans, Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Yates and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Yates and family, Mr. and Mrs. Strodler Yates and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Yates, Mr. and Mrs. Roy West and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Pearce and son, Billie Lee, and Clinton Fox, all of Santa Anna and Coleman.

Mrs. Ruie Bledsoe and daughter, Bobbie Gene, of Valera; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brusenhan

and daughter, Frances Aleene, of Farwell, and the honoree's family, Mrs. J. T. Yates and Theron and Christeen.

Gladhand Class Has Social Friday

Mrs. Harold Knappe and Mrs. Jim Bob Gregg were hostesses for the Christmas social of the Gladhand Class of the Methodist Church Friday night at the home of Mrs. Gregg.

Following a brief business session the guests played games in keeping with Christmas and wrote telegrams to Santa Claus which proved quite comical.

Christmas gifts placed around a decorated tree in the living room were exchanged among the members and gifts were also presented to the teacher, Mrs. Chap Eeds and to the class president, Mrs. Jim Daniels. Mrs. Knappe was given a gift as a farewell token, since she is moving soon to Abilene.

Refreshments of pear salad, in the red and green Christmas colors, cheese wafers, fruit cake and hot tea were served. Small candy canes were plate favors.

Those present were Mesdames Chap Eeds, Jim Daniels, Harry Caton, Charles Berry, Robert Smith, Collin Price, and C. A. Crump; Will Rogers Berry, Elizabeth Eeds, and the hostesses.

Golden Anniversary Celebrated Recently By Former Citizens

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Barnes, former residents of Santa Anna but now residing in Coleman, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last Tuesday evening, Dec. 14 with a family reunion and turkey dinner at their home. Only one son, J. Q. Barnes of Tucumcari, New Mexico, was unable to be present.

The long dining table was centered with an elaborate wedding cake, topped with miniature bride and groom, standing under an arch. In keeping with the golden anniversary motif, the cake was flanked with gold and silver candles and gold and white

chrysanthemums in bowls. Mrs. Ford Barnes of Santa Anna offered a toast to the couple and then Mrs. D. J. Barnes cut the cake.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnes were married on Dec. 14, 1887 at Durango, Texas and moved to this county in 1909, settling first in Santa Anna where Mr. Barnes was in the mercantile business. The couple moved to Coleman about 15 years ago.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ford Barnes, Santa Anna; B. H. Barnes, Port Arthur; Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Collier and son, Barnes, and daughter, Margaret Jo, Sweetwater; Mrs. J. C. Lester and son, Jimmie Pool, Lovington, N. M.

Dr. Maurice Barnes, Waco; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Kinksberry and children, Carolyn and Maurice, Santa Anna; Mrs. Rex Hartgraves and son, Charles Rex, Artesia, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Joe C. Barnes and son, Joe Gilbert, Whon; Mr. and Mrs. Otto Boehlert, Mart; and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pool of Coleman.

Merry Wives Club Have Cafe Dinner, Christmas Social

The Merry Wives Club enjoyed a Christmas dinner last Thursday night at the Service Cafe and then went to the home of Mrs. Sherman Gehrett for a Christmas tree and an evening of games.

The dinner, served at reserved tables at the cafe, consisted of turkey, dressing, English peas, candied sweet potatoes, celery, cornbread, fruit salad, mince pie with whipped cream and coffee.

At the home of Mrs. Gehrett, the guests were entertained with games in keeping with Christmas and the spirit of gaiety was aided by the beautiful Christmas tree in the home and seasonal ornaments.

At the close of the evening punch was served to the guests.

Those present for the dinner and social hour were Mesdames Grady Adams, Ford Barnes, L. man Brown, Ed Bartlett, S. W. Childers, O. L. Cheaney, Sam Collier, O. A. Etheredge, Rex Golston, Roger Hunter, Dennis Kelley, Ross Kelley, John T. Payne, T. R. Sealy, Jack Woodward, Minnie B. Pinney and Sherman Gehrett.

Miss Dockery Weds William Vaughn

Miss Annie Lou Dockery became the bride of William L. Vaughn Saturday, Dec. 17 in a ring ceremony at the Baptist parsonage with the Rev. R. Elmer Dunham officiating.

The young couple was unattended. The bride wore an ensemble of brown and gold with accessories to match.

Immediately after the ceremony the couple left for a short wedding trip, but did not announce the destination.

Both are residents of the Trickham community, where they will make their home.

Rex Golston Jr., student at A and M, arrived early this week to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Wilson of Coleman were visitors in Santa Anna Monday. They spent part of their time with Mrs. Wilson's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Jones.

Grandma Chambers has a new great granddaughter, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Chambers of Dallas.

Look Forward To 1938

We hope that you will look forward to this Christmas season as one of the happiest you have ever spent and anticipate the New Year with a great deal of pleasure.

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Your faith in us has made us endeavor more and more to give service which you will find pleasant and helpful. We hope to continue to serve you in many ways that will make you more prosperous throughout the new year.

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SOCIETY - CLUBS

Christmas Program And Social Enjoyed By U. D. C. Tuesday

The United Daughters of the Confederacy were entertained Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ollie Pearce Weaver when the regular program meeting and Christmas social was given.

The home was beautifully decorated, with a Christmas tree lighting up the room and seasonal ornaments lending a festive atmosphere.

An interesting program in keeping with Christmas was given. Mrs. Charles Bruce entertained with instrumental music followed by a Christmas story told by Mrs. W. R. Kelley. Little Misses Barbara and Evelyn Bruce sang several Christmas songs for the enjoyment of the guests. Mrs. Weaver gave an inspirational talk of "Christmas at Mount Vernon," and an interesting and appropriate reading was given by Mrs. Seth Risinger.

During the social hour which followed the members exchanged gifts which had been placed around the tree.

Refreshments of pecan pie

and hot coffee were served to the following guests: Mesdames W. R. Kelley, H. W. Kingsbery, J. R. Banister, Paul Van Dalsen, John Lowe, Seth Risinger, Jim Newman, Henry Campbell, Charles Bruce, Mollie Harper, W. O. Garrett, Miss Dora Kirkpatrick, and Evelyn and Barbara Bruce.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harrington of Water Valley, Miss Kate Lewis of Austin and Miss Verde Lewis of Coleman will be Christmas guests of Mrs. Seth Risinger.

Shield H. D. Club Meets Tuesday At Shelton Home

The Shield Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. Edgar Shelton Tuesday evening for a Christmas social.

Several games were played carrying out the Christmas theme. After the games gifts were passed to all present.

Refreshments of hot chocolate and mince pie topped with whipped cream was served to eight visitors and thirteen club members.

The club will meet again on January 6. A special invita-

tion is extended to members to start the year off right by attending this first meeting of the year.

Margaret Bruce Is Honored At Party

Margaret Bruce was honored with a party on her 13th birthday when Mrs. C. D. Bruce entertained last Friday at the Recreation Room. Deck tennis, contests and the birthday cake with its rings, buttons and other favors provided amusement. Those present were Anna May Fetty, Dixie Ann West, Jeanne Marie Hefner, Marie Newman, Emma Kate Parsons, Gloria Hensley, Allene Jones, Reuben Rountree and Jackie Simpson.

Christmas Social Follows Meeting Of O. E. S. Chapter

The local O. E. S. Chapter held a regular meeting Monday night followed by a Christmas tree and social with nineteen members present, the record attendance for the year.

After the chapter closed gifts were exchanged by the members who gathered around the Christmas tree for the evening's entertainment. Coffee and cake were served as refreshments to the following members:

Mesdames Rex Golston, W. O. Garrett, S. W. Childers, W. T. Wheatley, Jim Newman, Chas. Cakes, A. D. Pettit, Myrtle Brown, Sherman Gehrett, V. E. Penny, T. T. Perry, Don Ewing, Roy Bledsoe, Misses Betty Blue, May Blue, Maude Bowers, Grace Mitchell and Mr. and Mrs. J. Ed Bartlett.

Marilyn Baxter Broadcasts In College Chorus

Stephenville, Dec. 20. — Marilyn Baxter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stafford Baxter, Santa Anna, sang on a broadcast presented by John Tarleton College last Saturday morning on the regular College Hour program over WBAP.

Miss Baxter is a member of the Tarleton Chorus, which, under the direction of R. Berton Coffin, sang Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" from "The Messiah" and the old Christmas carol, "First Noel," on the broadcast.

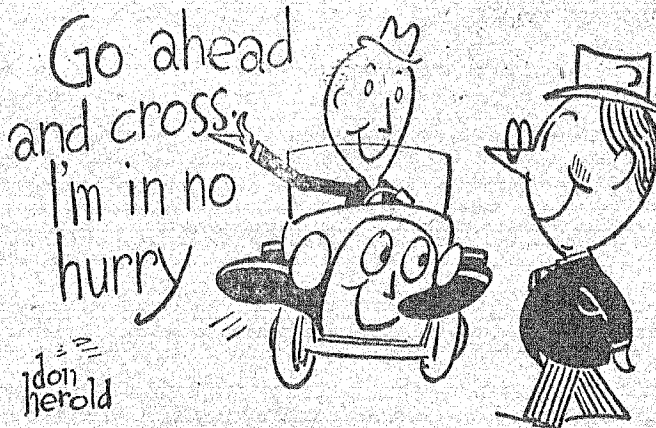
Programs presented by John Tarleton College go on the air once each month from KTAT and once about every five weeks from WBAP. The next Tarleton broadcast is scheduled for Monday afternoon, January 17, at 5:15 o'clock, when compositions by Albert T. Luper, William P. Grant, and R. Berton Coffin, members of the Tarleton fine arts faculty, will be played by their composers over KTAT.

Miss Baxter is visiting her parents in Santa Anna during the Christmas holidays. On January 3 she will return to Tarleton, where she is a junior in social science.

Mrs. T. K. Martin and little son, Chap, will spend Christmas Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chap Eeds.

1-MINUTE SAFETY TALKS

By Don Herold



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The hardest thing in this world to "sell" is humility.

I mean the hardest thing to impart to anybody else is humility.

The very act of trying to give somebody else humility about anything arouses everything else in him BUT HUMILITY.

We are all inclined to shun HUMILITY because it is a virtue that is so close to the weaknesses of cowardice and craven submissiveness. We are all so scared somebody will get a little the better of us, if we give them an inch.

Yet HUMILITY is exactly the quality that humans need a whole lot of, to solve a whole lot of their problems.

We have it in golf and in other sports. We yield. We give the other player the benefit of doubts. We praise his poor shots and discount our own good shots. In other words, we are not scared to be gentlemen.

But when we climb into an automobile, we put a chip on our shoulder and a feather in our cap. We are not going to let anybody slip anything over on us on the road. "Well, who

does that so-and-so think he is, trying to beat me to the crossing!"

Nor do we admit for a minute that we may have our driving faults. Nor do we concede that there is a possibility that we MIGHT some day be the cause of an accident.

No, we are the exception to the rule. We are the person who drives fast but drives well. Only dumbbells have smashes.

The sooner we all realize that humbleness and deference and courtesy at the steering wheel are sporting qualities, and the sooner we admit that, even in our hands, an automobile is an instrument capable of dealing out death and disaster if we handle it carelessly or cockily, even for an instant, the sooner we shall learn humility towards other drivers, towards Fate, and towards laws of momentum and centrifugal force, and the sooner will we cut down the motor car's annual American toll which, according to The Travelers Insurance Company, is 36,800 killed and 967,840 injured.

The automobile is a blessing—but a dangerous one. Drive it with great humility in your heart.

Liberty News

By Mrs. William Sheffield
Everyone is rejoicing over the fine rain last week but would welcome some sunshine now for awhile.

There was not a very good attendance at Sunday School and Church Sunday. Everyone try to do better next Sunday.

Mrs. Jess Howard spent Thursday with Mrs. William Sheffield.

A good many people of the community took advantage of the pretty weather Friday and went to Brownwood to do their Christmas shopping. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. William Sheffield, Mr. and Mrs. Carter Duggins, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Duggins, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Walker, S. H. Duggins and Mrs. A. K. Sanderson.

Miss Ruth Polk worked for Reid Variety Store in Santa Anna last Saturday.

Mrs. Sammie Duggins and Charles Kenneth spent Saturday with her mother, Mrs. T. P. Sumner of Santa Anna.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Howard and son and Mrs. and Mrs. G. W. Howard were Sunday afternoon callers of Mr. and Mrs. William Sheffield.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Duggins and Mr. and Mrs. William Sheffield were visitors in the S. H. Duggins home Monday and helped with hog killing.

Quite a few from this community attended the senior play at Santa Anna Monday night. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. Will Holt and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Norris and son, H. W. Mr. and Mrs. William Sheffield and William Jr., Miss Lonella Taylor and John Walker Taylor.

A country editor of a newspaper came in one night with a smile on his face and a light in his eyes and his wife said, "Well, you must have gotten a lot of new subscribers today." The husband replied, "No, you know this man, John —, that hasn't paid his subscription in ten years came in today and told me to take his name off the mailing list."

Rosemary Duggins spent Saturday night and Sunday with her grandmother, Mrs. P. D. Hughes.

Mrs. J. T. Taylor of Santa Anna is visiting in the J. W. Taylor home this week.

One Year Ago

(Taken from the Files of the Santa Anna News of Dec. 25, 1936)

Two friends of Mrs. Laura M. Poe planned a surprise for her birthday on Dec. 16. Mrs. J. W. Lewis and Mrs. Jim Scott paused in the midst of busy hours to invite friends and neighbors of the honoree for the occasion.

Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Lowery, several guests were at the home to enjoy a Christmas tree and an evening of fun. Jack Berry

Miss Anita Kirkpatrick, student in Texas University at Austin, arrived Wednesday to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Theo Kirkpatrick.

Roy F. Reid spent Tuesday in Merkel.

E. W. Polk Jr. of San Diego, Calif., is spending the holidays with homefolks.

Miss Margerie Foy in San Marcos State College, is spending days with her mother, Fletcher Pope.

It isn't gambling, or when nice people put up money just to make it interesting.

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To Our Friends Both Young and Old

Friends have been compared with silver and gold. New friends are as silver and old friends are as gold. We value our friends more than we do these precious metals because of their value and worth to us. As gold and silver shine in the Christmas lights and make a beautiful glow, the smiles of our friends make a glow in our hearts. May happiness and good fortune be yours for Christmas and the New Year.

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Santa Anna

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Christmas Trees Originated With Heathen Peoples In European Countries

Christmas is the time of celebration for the birth of Christ and the Christian religion. Yet the Christmas tree, which goes hand in hand with our Yuletide celebrations, was pagan in origin. The pagan peoples of Europe used the tree in their celebrations before English speaking nations adopted it. The Teutonic peoples of Europe began the practice when, according to legend, St. Winifred, a missionary to Norway, hewed down a large oak tree, which the people had been worshipping to show that it was nothing more than a tree and not a divine object. But as the tree fell, a little fir tree pointing a green star toward the star, rose in its place.

St. Winifred explained that that small tree was a holy tree, the wood of peace. Its evergreen leaves were signs of an endless life and was symbolic of deeds of kindness.

A still later myth connects Martin Luther with the origin of the Christmas tree, but this is believed to be entirely imaginary. However the story goes that Luther was traveling through the country one Christmas and the beautiful stars made a deep impression on him. He tried to describe to his wife and children their beauty and when he could not he went out into the woods, cut down a little fir tree, put candles on the branches and lighted them.

The tree as a portion of the Christmas celebration was slow in coming into its present prominence. Missionaries endeavored to teach the people that continuance of the tree decoration was pagan even as their former religion had been. However, many peoples, who had accepted the Christian faith worked the tree into their new religion. The tree was finally established into the Christian practices in Strasburg about 1608 but it was not until about 200 years later that the English-speaking countries adopted it.

Thus the German settlements in the United States were the first to use it here, but now it is a universal favorite in American homes as a part of the Christmas decorations and celebrations.

Say you saw it in the News.

Ranger Museum In San Antonio To Be Dedicated

Ex-Rangers and all others interested in the dedication ceremonies of the New Ranger Museum in San Antonio are invited to attend the services at 2:30 p. m. on New Year's Day, according to announcement received here by Ranger Auxiliary friends.

The new building is three stories high and was a federal project built by the WPA funds and has just been completed. The first floor of the building has been dedicated to the Rangers to use as they see fit, for meetings and entertainments.

The second floor has been assigned to the trail drivers. Major George B. Black of Comanche is chairman of the program committee for the Ranger Ceremonies.

This museum, however, does not replace the one to be built in Santa Anna.

Ten Years Ago

(Taken from the Files of the Santa Anna News of Dec. 23, 1927)

W. T. Vinson and little granddaughters, little Misses Glenda Beth and Mary Katherine Williamson, visited relatives in San Angelo last week-end.

Ed Bartlett and Charlie Harris have returned from a hunting trip near Pecos.

Miss Inez Marshall, who is attending Texas Tech at Lubbock, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Marshall.

Thomas Campbell, who is attending school in McKenzie, Tenn., arrived Sunday to be with his parents for the holidays.

Miss Nitia Eubank visited her sister in Fry Field last week.

Aubrey Parker, attending Texas Tech at Lubbock, is home for the Christmas holidays.

Read the advertisements.

The HEADLINES Say:



Christmas Shopping—1938 Girls Harriett Haddon, Joyce Mathews, Lola Jensen and Terry Ray (left to right) bombard Ben Blue with gifts on a Hollywood movie set.



Lovely Adele Bailey, noted Manhattan model, opens a souvenir gift box filled with Beech-Nut Christmas table dainties. The box is beautifully illustrated with scenes from the Indian and Revolutionary country featured in Walter Edmonds' "Drums Along the Mohawk."



It's Always Christmas Here—Christmas, Fla.—This community claims notice for the only "Christmas" postmark in the world. Postmistress Juanita S. Tucker, standing in front of her office.

Miss Mail Swamps Ten Wrens—More than 200,000 cards have been received by Ten Wrens, noted radio philosopher, from his fans in all parts of the world. Teny will send them along to children in the hospitals.

MEXICAN IS KILLED IN CRASH NEAR COLEMAN

COLEMAN, Dec. 22.—(Spl.)—One Mexican was killed, another seriously injured and two more received slight injuries in an automobile crash about eight miles northwest of Coleman on the Coleman-Abilene highway this morning about two o'clock.

The transient Mexicans and their wives were traveling west when they collided with a truck, en route to Brownwood.

Antonio Rojas is dead, his elderly father, Ambrosia Rojas, is probably fatally injured, a brother, Ricardo Rojas, and another Mexican received slight injuries. Truck and automobile were demolished.

(Abilene Reporter) Another thing this country needs are people who won't get hot under the collar without first working up a sweat.

Without machine power, life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness would have no satisfactory meaning in this modern age.

Say you saw it in the News.

Miss Bess Shield is home for the holidays from TSCW at Denton.

Hatching Season to open December 27th

Our Hatchery will start December 27th. All interested in selling us hatching eggs come in at once.

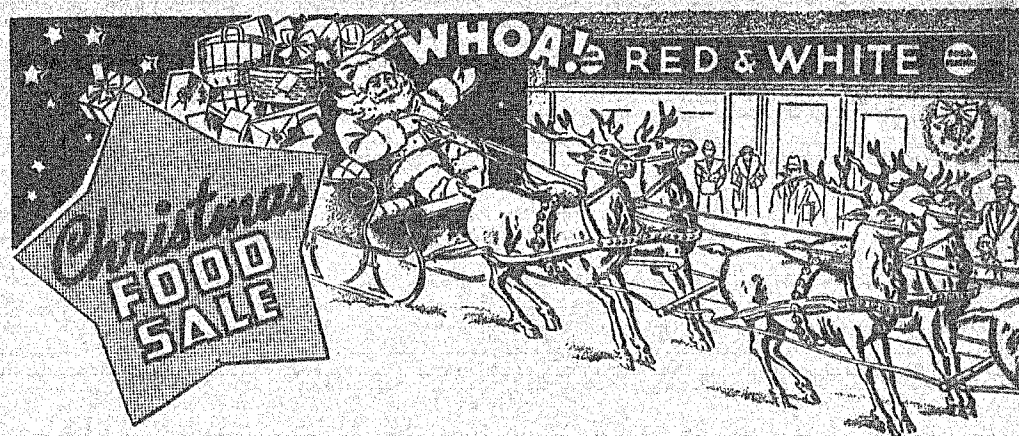
Griffin Hatchery Santa Anna, Texas

We Take This Means of THANKING YOU!

We would like to see each of you personally and tell you how much we thank you for the part you have played in our successful year. We cannot do this so we take this means of thanking you and wishing for you and yours happiness through Christmas and New Year.

SERVICE CAFE

Visit Us For Your Christmas Dinner



SPECIALS FOR THURSDAY and FRIDAY DECEMBER 23rd - 24th



- Flav-R-Jel 3 pkgs. for 14c
- PEACHES California Evaporated, 2 lbs. 27c
- SYRUP R. L. KARO 3 lb. can 27c
- WALNUTS No. 1 Emeralds per pound 18c
- MARSHMALLOWS R & W. 8 oz. pkg. 9c
- PEARS Red & White No. 2 Can 15c
- MEAL Red & White, 10 lb. sack 31c
- OATS Red & White, Regular or Quick, 3 lb. package 19c
- DATES Red & White Pitted, Package 15c
- PEAS Red & White, No. 2 Can 18c

- Cranberry Sauce R & W 17 oz. 15c
- Catsup R & W. None Better Large Bottle 15c
- Tomato Juice R & W. 3 for 23c
- Pineapple R & W. Fancy Table, No. 1 Tin 10c



Cocoa

Blue & White

NO. 2 CAN

21c

PEACHES



Red & White, No. 2 1/2 Can Sliced or Halves 19c

- Fresh Fruits - Vegetables
- CELERY Per Stalk 10c
- LETTUCE each 5c
- SPUDS 10 Pounds for 21c
- APPLES Per Dozen 23c
- ORANGES Per Dozen 23c
- Cranberries Per Pound 17c

CRISCO

Three Pound Can 57c

BAKING POWDER

K. C. 50 Oz. Can 31c

SYRUP

OLD TIME No. 10 Can 63c

Quality Meat - Good Values

- BACON Sliced Dexter, per lb. 29c
- CHEESE Full Cream, per lb. 23c
- ROAST Forequarter, per lb. 15c
- STEAK Round or Loin, per lb. 25c
- FRANKS Kiro, per lb. 17c

Christmas Greetings To Our Customers

WHOSE PATRONAGE HAS MADE OUR YEAR FILLED WITH JOY. MAY WE CONTINUE TO SERVE YOU DURING THE COMING YEAR.

HERE'S WISHING YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

THE RED & WHITE STORES

CLASSIFIED COLUMN

25c CLASSIFIED ADS GET RESULTS 25c

Classified Rates

All Ads, Cash With Order. Classified 25c for minimum of 15 words. Ads will be accepted until 7 p. m. Wednesday. Ads sent by mail will receive prompt attention when remittance is received. To discontinue an ad, notice should be in office by 7 p. m. Wednesday. Phone 45 to place classified ads.

For Sale

Pigs For Sale. Chap Beds. Phone 2511. 52-52p
CORD WOOD: See W. G. Wynn, Whon, Texas. 2tp
Bundled Hygeria for sale. See Leg Owen. 52nc
Underwood Typewriter No. 5. Size \$30.00 cash. On Display at News Office.
Two Choice Jersey heifers, fresh. T. B. and abortion tested. F. J. Parker. 50-54p

For Rent

For Rent: My place in Santa Anna; good house in southeast part of town. All modern conveniences. Arranged for two families. Large dairy barn and 20 acres of land. Fenced and cross fenced. Equipped for chickens and turkeys. See man on place or Mrs. J. W. Patterson at 816 Melwood Ave., Brownwood, Texas. tn

For Rent January 1, five room house. Modern conveniences. South part town. Mrs. C. E. Turner. 52-53c

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NOTICED—All lands owned or controlled by us are posted according to the law. No trespassing, fishing or hunting allowed. B. E. and L. M. Wilson. 31m

Miscellaneous

DON'T SCRATCH! Paracelde Ointment is guaranteed to relieve any form of Itch, Eczema, Athletes Foot or other itching skin irritation or purchase price promptly refunded. Large 2 oz. Jar only 60c at Phillips Drug Store. 1-7-38

"Leto's" for the Gums Are your gums irritated? Do they itch? Do they burn? Do your gums cause you annoyance? Druggists return money if "LETO'S" fails to satisfy. Turner Drug Store. 11-1-38

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Watch, Spectacle and Jewelry Repairing SEE John T. Payne Jeweler Phillips Drug Co.

Sufferers of STOMACH ULCERS HYPERACIDITY

DEFINITE RELIEF OR MONEY BACK! THE WELAND... definite relief in thousands of cases of Stomach and Duodenal Ulcers, due to Hyperacidity, and other forms of Stomach Disturbance. See to it you get the... PHILLIPS DRUG CO.

DR. R. A. ELLIS

Optometrist Brownwood, Texas

Turkey Shipments Exceed Texas Cars Sent Out in 1936

"To the efforts of farm demonstrators and turkey growers associations is due the credit for much of the improvement in the quality of turkeys raised on Texas farms in recent years; and the educational work of these organizations has been an important factor in making the turkey industry more profitable to Texas farmers. Dressed turkey shows and other type of turkey exhibits are held every year at several points in the State for the purpose of demonstrating to producers the most desirable varieties and qualities of birds necessary to command the highest market prices. Annual training schools are also conducted each fall for those wishing to qualify as licensed graders, who are necessary at shipping points to insure uniform grading and maintain Government standards. Both live and dressed birds are graded as prime, choice, or commercial, according to the quality for both producer and consumer.

"Turkey eggs sell for 13 or 14 cents per egg, and one marketing association reports that 239,799 eggs sold from Texas to the Northern hatcheries this year yielded \$33,747.00.

"The value of turkeys in Texas in 1929 was \$8,645,685 or about one-third that of chickens. The turkey raising industry in this state has profited by such good publicity as the 'Turkey Trot,' which attracts thousands of visitors to Cuero every two years, special exhibits of live and dressed turkeys, and other forms of advertising. Of the 676,001 farms reporting production of turkeys in 1935 in the United States, 114,004 were in Texas, and although Texas produces more turkeys than any other

state, it is probable that a still greater percentage of the nation's supply of turkeys will come from Texas in the future."

POLITICAL CALENDAR FOR 1938

Austin, Dec. 21. — The year 1938 is studded with many important political dates.

The subjoined calendar, compiled by Vann M. Kennedy, Secretary of the State Democratic Executive Committee, lists the most important dates and events.

The time for holding the next state democratic convention is uncertain because of conflicting election laws, Kennedy explained.

The Calendar:

Jan. 31st — Last day for obtaining poll tax receipts.

June 6th — Last day upon which state office candidates and district office candidates (in districts containing more than one county) may file applications to have their names listed on the Democratic Primary ballot.

June 13th — State Democratic Executive Committee meets to make up ballot for Primary Election.

Committee also designates place where State Democratic convention will meet in September.

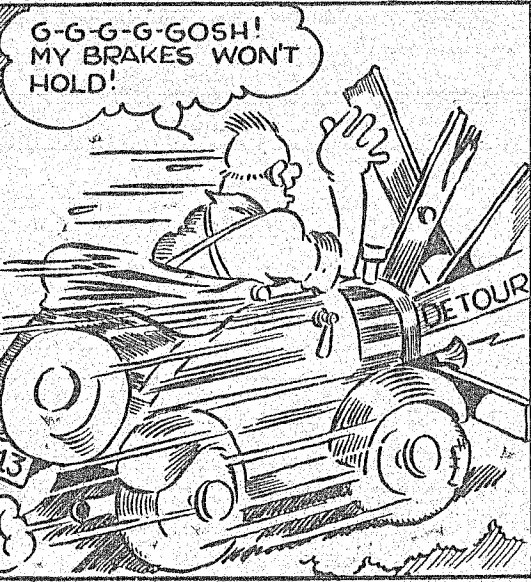
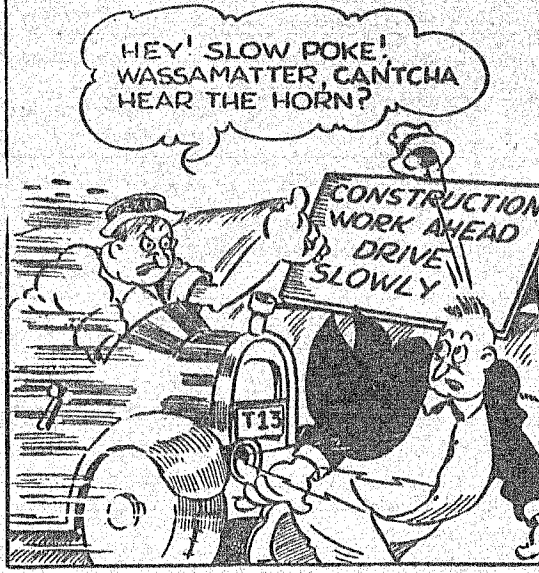
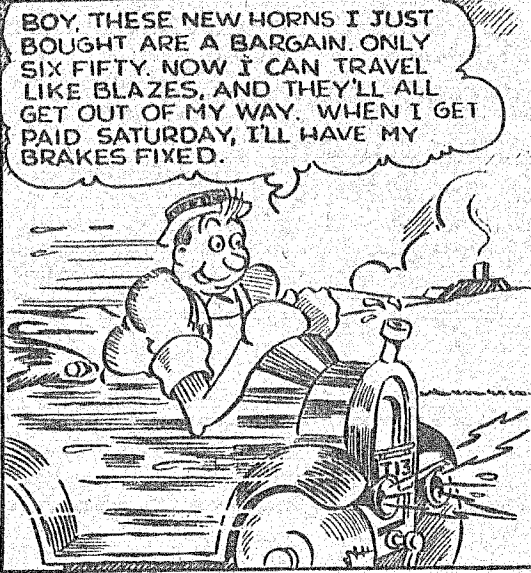
June 18th — Last day upon which county and precinct office candidates, and district office candidates (in Districts composed of only one county) may file applications to have their names listed on the primary Election ballot.

June 20th — County Democratic executive committees meet to determine, by lot, the order of names listed on the ballot; to estimate expenses of the Primary Election; to assess costs against candidates.

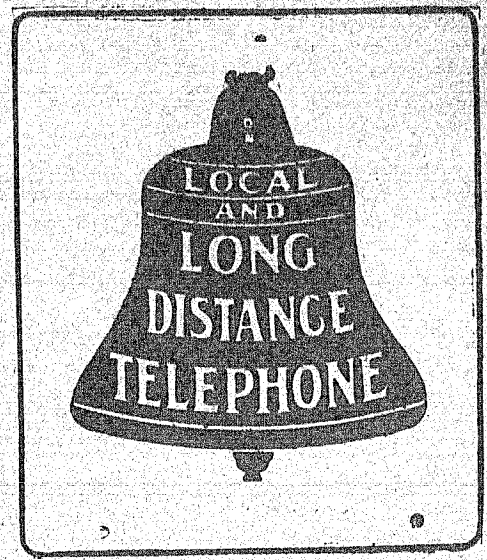
July 23rd — First Primary Election Day.

In counties of 150,000 and more population, polls open from 7:00 a. m. to 7:00 p. m.

THE ADVENTURES OF OZZIE



Mr. and Mrs. Harold Knapson returned to their home in Abilene. Engleside Sunday after spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jordan and other relatives here. They were accompanied to Santa Anna by Mrs. Dena Frazier and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Jones.



GREETINGS and Best Wishes

We hope that the year to come will add to you rich stores of blessings and experiences.

We are anxious to serve you and prove in deeds as well as words that we would like a part in adding to your happiness for the year 1938.

Santa Anna Telephone Co.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Speer left Santa Anna last week to make their home in Winters. Mr. Speer has been operating the Speer Motor Co. here.

W. E. Vanderford went to Leuders Saturday to visit his brother. He returned first of the week.

Miss Edith Richardson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Richardson of Rockwood, came home Saturday from McMurry College, Abilene, to spend the Christmas holidays.

Miss Francine Merritt, student at Hardin-Simmons, Abilene, arrived Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Merritt.

Julian Kelley, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Kelley Jr., arrived home this week from John Tarleton College to spend holidays at home.

Range Program To Be Continued

College Station, Dec. 20.—The range feature of the Agricultural Conservation Program, which was started in Texas in 1937, will be continued in 1938, according to Geo. Slaughter, chairman of the Texas Agricultural Conservation Committee.

The 1938 program will be similar in most respects to the preceding plan, Slaughter said. Some practices have been dropped from the present plan, and others have been added.

The deferred grazing practice, whereby part of the range is withheld from grazing for a six months period to allow natural reseeding, long recommended by Texas A. and M. College pasture authorities, was popular with ranchmen. Increased emphasis will be placed on this practice and ranchmen in 1938 may earn 60 percent of their range building allowance by this method instead of 33 percent in 1937, Slaughter indicated.

The range building allowance has been changed from a straight \$1.50 per animal unit to \$1 per animal unit plus two cents per acre of range land.

Erosion and runoff control will again be featured through payments for contour listing, furrowing, or subsoiling, and by construction of spreader dams and terraces.

The construction of dams for water reservoirs, one of the most universally popular practices this year, will be continued under the 1938 program and will be enlarged to include payments for drilling wells, which cannot, however, be located at the range headquarters.

Slaughter indicated that all points of the proposed program were subject to change by Congress in its present session, although only minor details are expected to be affected by such changes.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our deep appreciation and thanks to our friends, neighbors and relatives who have so generously aided us during the long sickness of my husband.

Every little deed of kindness as well as larger ones is so much help in these trying times.

May God bless you for your kindness.

Mrs. Joe Kingston

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Plumbing and
Stove Repairing
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Exclusive, authentic, concerning West Texas ranch, farm, livestock, sports, oil and general news than any other newspaper.

FIRST WITH THE LATEST NEWS

The San Angelo Morning Times goes to press at 2 a. m. in time for all night sport events as well as other late news.

San Angelo Weekly Standard

Sixteen or more pages every week with all the leading features from the daily for the preceding week (except sport and oil news) one full year— **\$1.00**

Greetings - - - And Thanks to You

We wish to thank you for friendly business relations during 1937

WE WISH FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS, JOY AND GOOD CHEER AND FOR YOUR NEW YEAR MUCH HAPPINESS

Hosch Furniture and Undertaking Company

Santa Anna — Texas

We Express Our Gratitude For Your Past Favors

We appreciate the fact that we have been able to serve you in the months past. We are continually striving to improve our service that our patrons may profit. We wish for you the peace and joy of Christmas and may the New Year hold happiness and prosperity for you.

JUST A PEEP AT . . . 1938 . . .

RESOLVE

To Buy Your Groceries & Hardware FROM

W. R. Kelley & Co.

Santa Anna, Texas

Phone No. 4

Traditionalists Insist on Fruit Cake, Cookies and Puddings For Holidays

You are a "traditionalist" if you think about your holiday fruit cakes and puddings baked delights. A "traditionalist" is one who prefers a sleigh to an open airplane; thinks red and green should be Christmas colors instead of blue and silver; likes berry berries instead of red carnations; likes his Santas fat, not streamlined—and plenty of fruit cakes and puddin'!

Since traditionalists are in the majority (you may be pleased to know) it's time to start thinking about—and making—those good things, now.

THE FRUIT CAKE

What a gift—fruit cake! A "must" too, for the holiday droppers-in and the scores of party occasions, so make plenty. You can serve tradition but save your time if you use the ready-mixed fruit cake. It comes packed right in the neat metal container in which you bake it, and gives you a real Dixie-style fruit cake. Add an egg, a third cup of liquid (orange juice is good) and bake. You can lacquer the tin any color, put the cake right

back in and wrap it up for a gift.

If you must make your own, don't forget that ready-sliced citron, lemon peel, orange peel, pineapple and whole cherries and mixed fruits come now in convenient 3-ounce packages, ready to use. They're in just-right dice or in lengths which you can cut to suit yourself. Dates now are ready-pitted and the best ones are pasteurized.

Dark Rich Fruit Cake
 1-2 pkg. raisins
 2 pkgs. pasteurized dates
 2 3-oz. pkgs ready-sliced citron
 2 3-oz. pkgs. ready-sliced orange peel
 1 3-oz. pkg. ready-sliced lemon peel
 1 3-oz. pkg. cherries
 1 3-oz. pkg. ready-sliced pineapple

2 3-4 cups flour
 1 teasp. cinnamon
 1-2 teasp. nutmeg
 1 teasp. salt
 1-2 teasp. all-spice
 1-4 teasp. cloves
 1-2 cup butter
 1 teasp. soda
 1 cup brown sugar
 3 eggs
 1-2 cup strong coffee infusion
 1-2 cup molasses

Cut pitted dates in pieces; halve the cherries. Put all fruit and peels in bowl. Sift flour, salt, soda and spices over fruit and mix; cream butter; stir in sugar gradually, then beaten eggs. Add flour and fruit alternately with coffee and molasses. Pour batter into large paper-lined loaf pan; bake in slow oven (375 degrees F.) three hours. This makes 4 lbs.

Plum Pudding

Bake plum pudding in little crocks, use for gifts.
 1 lb. flour
 1 teasp. salt
 1 teasp. soda
 2 teasp. mace
 1 lb. grated carrots
 2 teasp. baking powder
 2 teasp. cinnamon
 2 teasp. cloves
 3-4 cup molasses
 1 1-2 lb. currants
 1 cup melted shortening
 1 lb. raisins
 1-2 lb. pasteurized dates, cut
 3-4 cup dark karo
 Mix and sift dry ingredients. Add carrots and shortening and mix well. Add remaining ingredients and blend thoroughly. Oil molds and fill 2-3 full of mixture; cover tightly with waxed paper and steam five hours.

Orangerie

Oranges have been a holiday fruit ever since the first youngster found a fat orange in the toe of his Christmas stocking!

2 eggs
 1-4 cup fresh Florida orange juice
 1 tbsp. lemon juice
 3-4 cup sugar
 1 teasp. grated orange rind
 1 cup flour
 1-4 teasp. soda

Beat together egg yolks, fruit juices, sugar and orange rind; add stiffly beaten egg whites. Fold in flour, sifted with baking powder, and sugar. Bake in small loaf pan or tube pan in moderate oven (325 degrees F.) for 35 to 40 minutes. Ice with Orange Butter Icing.

Holly-Day Spice Cake

Just right for festive occasions is the spicy, creamy cake made with bananas! You can't make this too far ahead of time for it is better eaten shortly after baking, but plan to use it during the holidays.

2 3-4 cups sifted flour
 2 teasp. baking powder
 1 teasp. soda
 1 teasp. salt
 1-4 teasp. cloves
 1 1-2 teasp. cinnamon
 3-4 teasp. nutmeg
 2-3 cup shortening
 1 1-3 cups sugar
 2 eggs, well beaten
 1 2-3 cups mashed bananaas (4 to 5 bananas)
 2 teasp. vanilla

Sift together the flour, baking powder, soda, salt and spices. Rub the shortening to a creamy consistency with the back of a spoon. Stir the sugar, a few tablespoons at a time, into the shortening and continue stirring after each addition until light and fluffy. Add eggs and beat well. Add flour mixture, alternately with banana, a small amount at a time. Beat after each addition until smooth. Stir in flavoring. Pour into greased layer cake pans and bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.) about 35 minutes or until cake is done. Makes two 8-inch layers.

Mr. Jackson: What was the greatest accomplishment of the Romans?

Wyndell Rowe: "Speaking Latin."

The game was very one-sided. Just after half-time the captain of the losing team approached the referee.

Bo Brewer: "I'll say, referee, can we have another ball?"

Referee: "What do you want with another ball?"

Bo: "Well, those chaps seem to want that one all to themselves."



The Mountaineer

Alumni Visit School

Several of the former students of Santa Anna High School who have been away attending college visited school Monday.

The ones who visited school are: Billie Baxter, Nowlin Myers, and Carlene Ashmore, who are attending Texas Tech at Lubbock; Emma John Blake who is attending school at McMurry in Abilene; and Annie Nickens of John Tarleton, Stephenville.

We were also proud to have a visitor, Jack Ogle, from Daniel Baker College in Brownwood.

Homemaking Inspector Visits School

Mrs. Pazdral, the homemaking inspector, visited in the homemaking department here Thursday, Dec. 16. The report which she gave was highly favorable. She especially commended on the drapes, floor finishes and the home-like atmosphere which prevailed throughout the department. The girls and instructor are to be congratulated for their splendid work.

Homemaking III Girls Have Individual Xmas Projects

The girls of the Homemaking III class have realized that usually in the home, plans and preparations for Christmas are left to one person. These girls have planned to reverse the

condition in their homes this year and make Christmas happier by placing upon themselves the responsibility of planning for the holidays.

Lookign over their projects, we find that some are already making gifts of various kinds, trimming Christmas trees in their homes, helping in the making of cakes and candies and planning for the entertainment of guests.

These projects are very helpful not only to the student but to the family as well.

Wyndell Rowe: I hear you got thrown out of school for calling the dean a fish.

Jessie Porter: I didn't call her a fish. I just said, "That's our dean" real fast.

Glen (running to his mother): Oh! mother, there is a mouse in the pail of milk.

Mother: Oh dear, you took it out didn't you?

Glen: No, mother, but I threw the cat in.

AS FATHER TIME TURNS THE PAGES—

As the page of time just turned, leaves pleasant memories of 1937, may the new page of 1938 be filled with richer, happier experiences. To our patrons we wish to thank you for the privilege of serving you and hope to continue this service.

Woods Brothers Service Station

SINCLAIR PRODUCTS
 Santa Anna — Texas

MAY THIS CHRISTMAS BE A HAPPY ONE FOR YOU

MAY THIS SEASON WITH ITS MIRTH AND CHEER BE A HAPPY ONE FOR YOU.

MAY THE NEW YEAR LAVISH ITS RICHEST BLESSINGS ON YOU.

WE GIVE YOU OUR BEST WISHES BECAUSE WE FEEL THAT YOUR LOYAL SUPPORT AND GOOD WILL DESERVE THE BEST WE HAVE.

BLUE HARDWARE CO.

Santa Anna — Texas

Greetings To Our Friends

We feel that our friends mean more to us than material things. To us our patrons are our friends. We hope that we may keep their friendship and good will during the future. This will make us very happy.

We wish for you a holiday season of mirth and good cheer and may prosperity be yours during the coming year.

EVANS GARAGE

GREETINGS

FOR THE SEASON

We feel that we have merited your patronage by our desire to serve you in the best way possible. We hope that the New Year will renew your confidence in our ability to serve you. May this season bring happiness to you and prosperity during the New Year.

TURNER DRUG STORE

Our Kind Thoughts And Best Wishes Are For You

May This Yule Season Be One of Happiness for you and 1938 truly a glorious one for you.

Mrs. G. A. Shockley

Millinery and Ready-to-Wear

Beauty Shop

Gift Shop

Say - - Merry Christmas

WITH A NEW 1938 MODEL

V-8 FORD

WE ARE TAKING THIS OPPORTUNITY OF THANKING OUR MANY PATRONS FOR THEIR KINDNESSES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR AND FOR THE BUSINESS DEALINGS WHICH WE HAVE ENJOYED WITH THEM.

OUR WISH IS TO CONTINUE SERVING BOTH NEW AND OLD CUSTOMERS DURING THE NEW YEAR AND TO GIVE ALL THE COOPERATION WE CAN IN MAKING YOUR YEAR THE MOST PROSPEROUS YOU HAVE EVER HAD.

HERE'S WISHING YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

Santa Anna Motor Co.

SANTA ANNA — TEXAS

Eureka News

By Mrs. G. A. Brinson
The preaching services were well attended Sunday. A large crowd attended B. T. U. There were 13 visitors. We invite them all back to B. T. U. and also to Sunday School.

Anna and Mr. and Mrs. Alvey Modawell and children visited Raymond in the afternoon. Miss Beatrice Hamlett visited Miss Esther Hammonds Sunday. We were glad to have Coy Sue, Vernon and Marcel Coleman of Coleman visit B. T. U. Sunday night.

ADVISES RELAXATION



DR. GEO. W. COX

Relaxation Is Health Necessity

Austin, Tex., Dec. 23.—"There is a very good excuse at the holiday season to crowd into the day and night as much pleasure as possible. It is the one time of the year when every-day affairs take second place. In so far as individual possibilities permit, the fiesta spirit prevails. That many persons are 'short' on rest and relaxation at this time is evident to all. However, it is one thing to deprive the body for a few days of the daily quota of sleep and rest required, and quite another one to make a habit of this practice throughout the year," states Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

THE STORY OF ST. NICHOLAS

St. Nicholas isn't just a fairy tale. He was a real man living many, many years ago in Greece and his name has been brought down to us in the form of Santa Claus, whom every child and adult, too, loves. The original St. Nicholas lived in Asia Minor hundreds of years ago and was known as the patron saint of children because he was so good to them and tried to make children happy.

wanted to help him, but did not want to know he was helping the man. One night he got some of the gold he had inherited from his parents, and stealing to the house of the poor man, dropped the purse into the house and slipped. The poor man and his daughters rejoiced but could not imagine how the gold got there. When the money was nearly gone, Nicholas slipped money into the house again. The father and his daughters started watching at night then to see who their benefactor was.

Greetings To Our Friends and Patrons

Our business has been a pleasure during the past year because of your loyal support. We express the hope that our service to you may be continued during 1938.

MAY YOUR CHRISTMAS BE MERRY and YOUR NEW YEAR PROSPEROUS

Jess Howard Barber Shop

MERRY CHRISTMAS

And Welcome to 1938

The New Year will bring with it a new chance to create and to serve better than we have ever done before. If we work together for the general welfare of our community we are assured of success in making 1938 a glorious year in the improvement and the contentment of ourselves and our community.

Let Us Work Together Best Wishes To Our Friends

RAGSDALE BAKERY

Ragsdale's Good Bread -:- Guest Cakes

May You Enjoy This Holiday Season

If this season is one of joy to you and if the New Year brings prosperity to you then will our wish be fulfilled.

We feel that the New Year will do us a good turn by giving us your continued patronage.

SANTA ANNA BEAUTY SHOP

Telephone 99

FAREWELL To 1937

We appreciate the happy association with our patrons during the past year and look forward to the New Year with its opportunity to serve again those who have been so kind.

We thank you one and all and extend our warmest wishes for your happiness during Christmas and the New Year.

EXCHANGE FURNITURE CO.

T. H. UPTON, Mgr.

Our Wish To You

Our wish for you is a Christmas filled with good cheer and a New Year of Health, Happiness, and Prosperity.

Jordan Grocery & Cafe

EAST SIDE

To You . . . Best Wishes For A Joyous Holiday Season From Us

We feel that we know the needs and wishes of the people of this community and we have their welfare at heart. When their interests and desires are satisfied then we have succeeded.

The more joy you receive from the holidays and the more prosperous is your New Year the happier we will be.

Greetings -- And --- Thank You

We appreciate greatly your friendliness and your patronage during the past year.

We extend greetings at this time and wish for you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

MAGNOLIA PETROLEUM CO.

Stafford Baxter, Agent

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CHRISTMAS TIDINGS

Wishing Christmas 1937 And The New Year 1938

Will be one filled with happiness for you. That all your wishes may be granted because we feel that our friends deserve the best. We are grateful for your friendship and patronage.

We are striving to perfect our service to you and trust that we may be worthy of your loyalty as we continue to serve you throughout the New Year.

Santa Anna Ice & Cold Storage

Santa Anna Telephone 96

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS

Santa Anna, Texas Dec. 15, 1937

Dear Santa Claus, I want some house shoes, size 13, some nuts, oranges, apples and candy. I have studied hard since I have gone to school. I will study hard after Christmas and will try to be better to everybody. Please remember all good boys and girls and bring them what they want.

Your friend, Juanita Cozby

Miss Carlene Ashmore has arrived from Texas Tech at Lubbock to spend the holidays with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ashmore.

LYRIC BROWNWOOD, TEXAS Friday and Saturday Fred Astaire, Gene Kelly, George Burns, Gracie Allen, A DIME'S WORTH OF MIDWEST. Midnight Saturday Sunday, Monday, Tuesday. The Confession. WEDNESDAY - THURSDAY Lewis Stone, Mickey Rooney, Cecil Parker - in - "You're Only Young Once"

Home Demonstration Notes

Home improvement demonstration with the bedroom which has been carried by the Coleman County Home Demonstration Clubs for three years and which will be completed in 1938, has been most successful and is proving most valuable to the women. The 1937 bedroom demonstrators of the different clubs have completed their goals for this year and exhibited their accomplishments at the Achievement Events throughout the county. All improvements were made since the first of the year in accordance with standards set up by the Extension Service. Following is a list of the standards set up for good bedroom work with a summary of the special efforts of each bedroom demonstrator toward completing their work.

To Make The Room Healthful For Sleeping
 Coleman Independent — Mrs. Ben Dunn, bedroom demonstrator, has turned her back porch into a bedroom with eight windows on the south and west. The room is comfortable and pleasant for sleeping even in the hottest weather, and there sufficient ventilation at all times.

Sufficient Ventilation and Sunshine
 Liberty — Mrs. Marshall Duggins, bedroom demonstrator, has used light wall paper and ivory enamel to give the feeling of light and cleanliness to her room. She has realized that abundant sunshine and fresh air are necessary in any bedroom to make it sanitary for sleeping.

A Well Equipped Bed
 Rae-Echo — The bed adds much to the comfort of Mrs. John B. Henderson's bedroom. She has made a spring protector from old cotton sacks and covered the mattress with a protector and pad. The dark paint from the old iron bedstead was removed by using a paste made from one can of lye, five teaspoons of cornstarch, and water. When this paste was cool it was brushed over the bedstead and the old paint was then easily washed off. The bedstead was then painted ivory to match the other furnishings in the room.

Appropriate Floors
 Live-At-Home — Mrs. J. G. Brown, bedroom demonstrator, has made her floor in her bedroom easier to clean and more attractive. The floor was cleaned well, painted with a floor paint, and covered with a linoleum rug in an appropriate pattern.

Improving Walls, Floors, Woodwork
 Indian Creek — Mrs. Garland Abbey, bedroom demonstrator, began work in her bedroom first last spring by enlarging it and adding another window for more light. The walls were papered with light figured paper which is suitable for a bedroom. Mrs. Abbey refinished the woodwork of the room with a clear varnish. The floor was completely covered with linoleum to make it easier to keep.

Storage For Clothing
 New Central — Mrs. Josephine Nalley, bedroom demonstrator, rebuilt the old closet to make it more convenient for storing clothing. The closet had been made to open into a room adjoining the bedroom so as to make the closet more useful, it was necessary to make it open into the bedroom. An old door, used for the closet door, was re-finished by applying lye to remove the paint and then varnishing it. Shelves for storage space were added to the closet and it was all papered in a light color to help bring more light into the closet and to give it a clean, neat appearance. A rod for hanging garments and a shoe rack were added.

Put All Furnishings In Good Condition
 Brown Ranch — Mrs. J. W. Roberts of Brown Ranch, bedroom demonstrator, won first place in the County bedroom tour held in June by the County Home Demonstration Council. The most important things Mrs. Roberts did was to build a spacious closet, re-finish floors and woodwork, paper the room, and refinish the furniture. "My bedroom work was so successful and the bedroom looked so nice when we finished it that we have since papered all the other rooms in the house to make them look as well," said Mrs. Brown, who

now has clean, attractive rooms in her home due to her improvement work in the home demonstration club.

Appropriate Curtains
 Gouldbusk — Mrs. W. C. Norwood, bedroom demonstrator, added thin, light curtains to her southeast bedroom. The curtains give a cool, dainty cheerful appearance, and will be easy to launder. "Curtains for a bedroom should be light in color and attractive," says Mrs. Norwood. "Curtains help to soften the light entering the bedroom from the outside, making the bedroom more restful."

Keeping The Room Clean And Orderly
 Shield — Mrs. H. E. Stewardson, bedroom demonstrator, has improved her daughters bedroom and provided suitable and adequate storage space for their clothing. By giving children closets with rods and shelves low enough for them to hang up their things and put them away, they form the habit of neatness and order early.

Making The Room Useful For Reading, Writing Or Sewing
 Trickham — Mrs. Jess York, bedroom demonstrator, says, "I needed a reading or working center in the bedroom so I removed the paint from a small table, sandpapered the table and varnished it a dark oak color. I refinished a straight chair to match the table, added a shade for the lamp, added a hanging book-shelf, and I have a writing or working center which I enjoy very much. Nearby is my new rocker which I received for winning second place in the county bedroom contest and my magazine rack which makes a comfortable center."

Making The Home Convenient For Dressing
 Santa Anna — Mrs. R. R. Lovelady, bedroom demonstrator, finds a convenient dressing center is most important in a bedroom. The dressing center should be composed of a dresser or dressing table, a chair or stool, a good large mirror placed near the clothes closet and where there is good light. Having a place for everything and keeping everything in its place save time and energy in dressing.

Providing A Bathing Center
 Voss — Mrs. John Launder, bedroom demonstrator, finds that a bathing center adds much to the comfort of rural homes where there is not a

bathroom near the bedroom. For the bathing center it is necessary to have a water container, a bowl, container with soap, and fresh wash cloths and towels.

A Bedroom Should Be Clean And Cheerful
 Whon — Mrs. J. C. Barnes, bedroom demonstrator, painted the woodwork in her bedroom ivory in order that it would be lighter and cleaner. All the woodwork in her room was older and darker and the light woodwork makes the room much more bright and cheerful.

Making Room Attractive And Restful
 Comal — Mrs. Elmer Key, bedroom demonstrator and 3rd prize winner in the bedroom contest, made her small room attractive, comfortable and convenient without giving it a crowded, jumbled appearance. The room is on the southeast and has four windows and two doors, giving sufficient ventilation, sunshine, and light. At the windows are thin green curtains that lend color and coolness to the room.

Windows And Doors Screened
 Bowen — Mrs. H. A. Hagler, bedroom demonstrator, has found that in order to have a bedroom which meets good standards, all of the windows must be screened carefully. Good screening prevents the

entrance of many insects in the house and helps to keep out some dust.

Adding Accessories
 White Chapel — Mrs. O. H. Lancaster, bedroom demonstrator, has increased the attractiveness and comfortableness of her bedroom by the addition of simple accessories. She made a small book shelf to hang over the work table from cheese boxes. Glass jars, clear and painted ones, in good designs are used as flower containers. A set of bottles and boxes are painted in a color to blend with the room and used as the dressing table to hold the toilet articles. "Too many small things in a room give a jumbled, crowded appearance, but a few things add much to the bedroom," says Mrs. Lancaster.

Plan Bedroom To Suit Needs
 Silver Valley — Mrs. Clarence McCurdy, bedroom demonstrator, believes that since a bedroom is one of the most essential rooms in the house it should be carefully planned, decorated and kept. A bedroom is needed for resting, dressing, and working; therefore, the bedroom should provide a comfortable bed, a convenient place to dress, good storage for clothing, places to read and study, and be attractive and restful.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brusenhan spent Sunday night with Mr. and little daughter of Farwell and Mrs. Fred Brusenhan.

Greetings To All —

As the bells ring out the old year and ring in the new we want to thank you for the favors given in the past year of 1937 and we look forward to 1938 with its prospects of serving you. Merry Christmas to all and a Prosperous New Year.

Sandwich & Coffee Shop

D. O. LANE, Prop.

GREETINGS

To Our Friends On Christmas

Our patrons are our friends. We could not get along without our friends. It makes us feel good to know that you stood by us in the past and we solicit your friendship for the coming year.

A Yuletide of Joy and A New Year of Happiness

GILBERT SERVICE STATION

A. E. Gilbert, Mgr.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

And Happy New Year

To Our Friends and Patrons

Shoe Hospital

J. G. WILLIAMSON, Prop.

CHRISTMAS FOR YOUNG AND OLD.

Little folks live from Christmas to Christmas. It is the big event in the year for them. Older ones anticipate Christmas with equal zest and delight.

MAY WE NEVER GROW TOO OLD TO APPRECIATE "MERRY CHRISTMAS" AND MAY YOU HAVE THE HAPPIEST OF ALL CHRISTMASSES THIS YEAR!

Allow us to thank you also for your patronage and to look forward to your continued interest in 1938 with a promise to serve you even better.

Blue Merc. Co.
 QUALITY MERCHANDISE



A Bright Merry Christmas

A Happy New Year!

West Texas Utilities Company

Brightness and Cheer throughout the year! This Your Electric Servant wishes for you, uttering a wish that can come true! These are our gifts to your home and community. Well-lighted homes create a holiday spirit the year 'round; good light brings comfort and eyesight protection; and electric power supplies safe refrigeration, easy cooking and all the many services that are yours at the touch of a switch. Just as each Christmas finds West Texas—the Land of Opportunity—enjoying an advanced standard of living, so it finds Electric Servants contributing more to the happiness and comfort of the quarter-million people in the 161 communities served by this company. And every Christmas finds the unit cost of this service diminishing. To make 1938 a happier year, use more Electric Service at today's low rates.

PIGGLY WIGGLY

Wishes One And All A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year

Trickham News

By Mrs. A. H. Dean

The attendance at Sunday School and church Sunday was the best we have had for several Sundays. Bro. Smith delivered two splendid sermons.

Miss Cora Douglas who is attending school at Denton, came Sunday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kit Douglas for a few days.

Visitors in the Charlie James home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Cleo James and baby of Brownwood, Agnes James and Violetta Goodgoin.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess York and Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Reed spent Sunday at Adamsville visiting in the Will Reed home.

We are glad Mary V. Burney is able to be at home again. She is recovering from some bad burns. Mr. and Mrs. Wiley McClatchey and children and Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Dean and children called to see her Sunday.

Mrs. Oscar Boenicke visited Mrs. Fred Miller Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stacy, Mr. and Mrs. John Pentecost, Wiley McClatchey and family and W. D. James all visited in the Walter Stacy home Sunday.

The Home Demonstration Club ladies and 4-H girls had their Christmas party and tree Monday night, Dec. 20. Many pretty and useful gifts were exchanged. The songs, games and

refreshments were enjoyed by a large crowd.

Miss Oma Lee Martin, who has been visiting in Lubbock for several weeks, is expected home Wednesday.

Bro. Smith was a dinner guest in the Ed McClatchey home Sunday. He visited in several other homes of the community during the day.

Mrs. Lee Dockery, H. B. and Mary Ola Dockery and Mrs. Carroll Bowden of Cherokee went to Brady Saturday to see Mr. Jess Miller, who has been very sick.

A. H. Dean and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Haynes.

Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Stearnes spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sharp.

Methodist Church Has Social Honoring Pastor and Family

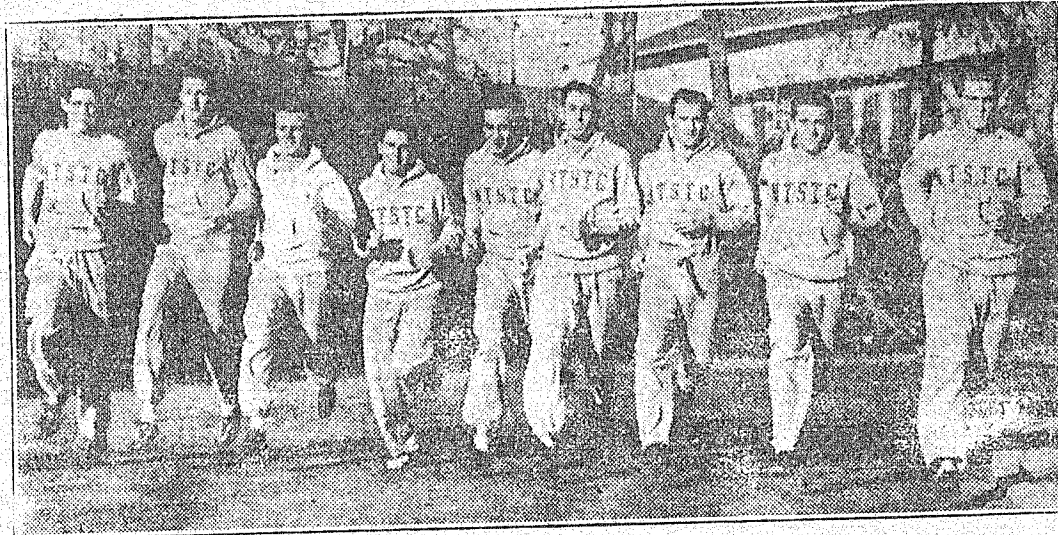
Members of the Methodist Church entertained with a social Wednesday night in the church auditorium and presented "a pounding" to the Methodist pastor and family as their Christmas gift.

Many members and visitors were present during the hours from 7 to 9 and enjoyed visiting with each other. The gifts were presented to Rev. and Mrs. J. V. Davis at that time.

Refreshments of punch and cookies were served to all present.

Merry Xmas--Happy New Year

N. T. S. T. C. CROSS COUNTRY



DENTON, Texas—"From Rideout to Rideout, just about the best single track aggregation in the whole South," modestly says Coach Choc Sportsman of his nine cross country runners pictured above. All nine went to the Southern A. A. U. meet at New Orleans, where on Dec. 18 most of them were entered in the 4.7 mile cross country run for the Southern championship.

The runners, left to right: Blaine Rideout, Grover Simpson, Don Kern, Bob Hanna, Floyd Martain, Henry Morgan, Kenneth Sampson, Jack Sahling and Wayne Rideout.

Game Warden John Wood was a visitor in the News office and in Santa Anna Monday. Mr. Wood was appointed to his position recently to succeed his father, who died several weeks ago. Mr. Wood is a former student at A and M College, where he became acquainted with the News editor.

Vernon Ragsdale, student at Hardin-Simmons, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ragsdale during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bob Gregg will leave Thursday night for Bryan to spend Christmas with Mrs. Gregg's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Sloop, who will probably accompany them back

to Santa Anna for a few days visit.

Dosh T. McCreary, student at Texas Tech, arrived last weekend to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. T. T. McCreary and family.

Nowlin Myers, son of Mrs. G. W. Myers, is home for the holidays from Texas Tech at Lubbock.

LOCKS SEND LETTERS TO LOCAL FRIENDS

Friends here have received letters this week from J. R. Lock, former high school principal and now Dean of Boys at San Marcos Academy. The Locks are enjoying their work immensely. Mrs. Lock also having a position in the school. They send Christmas greetings to all friends in Santa Anna.

Miss Althea Ragsdale, librarian at the Henderson State Teachers College, Arkadelphia, Arkansas, is here to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ragsdale. She arrived Sunday.

Billie and Marilyn Baxter are home for the holidays to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stafford Baxter. Billie attends Texas Tech and Marilyn is a student at John Tarleton.

Say you saw it in the News.

Plenty of Money To LOAN On Farms and Ranches At Low Rate of Interest S. W. CHILDERS Santa Anna, Texas

A SINCERE WISH

Our relationship with our patrons during the past year has been very pleasant and we feel that they are worthy of a sincere wish for a joyous Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

MRS. HALL BEAUTY SHOP
Located In Phillips Drug Co.

OUR CHRISTMAS MESSAGE TO OUR PATRONS

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

To our friends who have been with us through the years and have been kind and considerate and to our new friends who have not been with us long we extend the season's greetings. We do not look upon you merely as customers but as friends we are all one big family of friends. We like to feel that our business is essential to you and that we are rendering worthwhile service. It is our pleasure to serve you.

We Wish for you the best that Christmas holds of mirth and cheer and a New Year of happiness and prosperity.

PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

COLEMAN GAS & OIL CO.

Santa Anna

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