



Eastland Telegram



VOLUME TWENTY-FIVE

No. 115

EASTLAND, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1953

PRICE FIVE CENTS

Moore... ABOUT Eastland

By VIRGIL E. MOORE

From the looks of things we may get that White Christmas. In my own mind we can't decide if we want it or not, which probably makes it better in the long run.

At any rate, it is Christmastime again and we for one welcome the season.

The Rev. Arthur E. Hartwell, rector of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, was by the office Wednesday and was kind enough to invite us to attend Christmas Eve services at the church. We will be visiting in the home of our parents in Corsicana, then, however, and cannot attend. Father Hartwell left us the church program and scanning over it we came across this selected piece:

C is for Christ Child, 'twas He who was born. H is for Holy, that glorious dawn. R is for Royal, for was He, not King, I is for Infant, a bonny wee thing. S is for Shepherds, watching their sheep. T is for Tidings, too joyous to keep. M is for Magi, they came from the East. A is for Angels, a million at least. S is for Saviour, that's why He was born. So sing loud His praises this Christmas morn.

We would like to add our congratulations to J. D. Hanson. Hanson is the lad who brought recognition to Eastland by being named fullback on the second team All State Class A eleven.

That "cool" spell that hit Tuesday night really did put us on ice. We haven't been so cold since the time we got locked into the ice vault by mistake. The official reading in Eastland was a cold 21. Most thermometers had it 16. That is plenty cold for us old boys that come from the South, South Texas, that is.

Billie Jane Jordan just couldn't wait to unwrap the present she received from her brother Landon. The package came from Hong Kong. Inclosed was a Chinese doll and cushion. Also inclosed were several newspapers. We learned something new. We can't read Chinese or Japanese or what ever that stuff was.

Another welcome guest in our office was Rev. M. P. Elder, pastor of the Presbyterian church. Rev. Elder brought Ichiro Matsuda, a young Japanese student from Erskine College of Due West, S. C., in to see us. Mr. Matsuda will be guest speaker at the church Sunday.

The American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators asked us to pass a message on highway safety along to you. We have found, in our short career as a newspaperman, that people will read and do a lot of things. However, we have seen little results from continued safety hints. We sure hope you do read these, though, and even more, we hope you pay attention to them.

This Christmas the Association is urging certain simple precautions that they say would curtail after-party accidents. They suggest that since coffee is a medically-authenticated antidote for alcohol that it be used for the last drink, "that one for the road." At the sake of being called an old foggie at such a tender young age, we must say we can't see that alcohol has any place in a religious holiday.

We are rushing it a bit so that we can get your paper to you a bit early today in order that we too may enjoy Christmas Eve at home. Let us take this opportunity to wish to all of you a Merry Christmas.

Sweet 22 MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Boyce Pryor, Jr., still scrapes his mother's cake pans although he's 22 for his birthday his mother made enough batter for a three-layer cake, cooked only two layers and gave Boyce the rest in the pan.



Christmas, 1953

Our Celebration of Christmas centers chiefly, if not entirely, around the infant Jesus and the story of the birth in Bethlehem.

Christmas emphasizes the cult of home, motherhood and the child. But Christmas ought to have a deeper significance as well. It is not enough to glorify or worship the Babe, bringing adoration like the shepherds and gifts like the Wise Men.

The true celebration of Christmas must be related to the whole life, death, and resurrection in the ministry of the Savior of Men.

The note of tragedy, crowned with glory and triumph, is in the story of Christmas. It began in sadness as well as joy, as Mary pondered in her heart the strange sayings and the prophecy of the sword that should pierce through her own heart.

That prophecy was fulfilled as she followed her Son to Calvary and stood by the cross, a marvelous revelation of strength, courage and devotion.

In that hour on Calvary one could see the climax of that problem of suffering, set forth so poignantly in the portrayal of the Suffering Servant in the 53rd chapter of Isaiah.

That suffering could not be in vain, but could be a part of the divine plan of blessing and redemption, was the message of that chapter, confirmed and fulfilled in the suffering and triumph of the Christ.

Whether or not the portrayal referred to some earlier Suffering Servant, or to the suffering remnants of Israel, or directly to the coming Christ, the fulfillment in the life, death and resurrection of the Master is none the less real.

Even in the dark hour as the cross awaited Him, Jesus could say to the disciples, "Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

So, let our Christmas celebration be one of joy and beauty, of rejoicing in the glorious birth, of the sanctity of love and home and children—of the Christ who took them up in his arms and blessed them!

But let it be also a celebration of victory and triumph, the Christmas of a Christ who died that we, and all men, might live.

Eastland's J. Hanson Named All-State Back

Fullback J. D. Hanson, overlooked when the District 7-A all-district team was selected, won a spot on the second team All-State eleven selected by the Williamson System. The honor pushed him above his Dublin rival who was selected on the all-district team at the fullback slot.

Hanson was the only man named on the first two teams from the district except three Ranger stars. Ranger placed two men on the first eleven and one on the second. End Chico Mendoza was voted the outstanding lineman and Charles Masseege gained a halfback slot. Tommy Hinds, end, was named on the second team.

The teams: **FIRST TEAM** E. Chico Mendoza, Ranger; E. Jimmy Carpenter, Deer Park; T. Darrell Britt, Lyford; T. Albert Rucka, Crosby; G. Jerry Fleming, Smithville; G. Buddy Caddell, Crowell; G. Arthur Simmons, Newton; QB Bobby Conrad, Clifton; QB Charles Masseege, Ranger; HB Virgil Mutschink, Giddings; FB Johnny Elm, Luling

THIRD TEAM E. Drinnon, Haskell; E. Albritton, Burnett; T. Koehns, Bellville; T. Acuff, McCreary; G. Meazle, Rockwall; G. Underwood, Llano; C. Cooner, A&M Consl.; QB Frisbie, Memphis; HB Stone, Elgin; HB Hoover, Canadian; FB Allen, Crystal City

Honorable Mentions ENDS: Marburger, Elgin; Bolding, Palacios; Weeks, Hughes Springs; Williams, Edgewood; Hunter, Woodville; Luetge, Rockdale; Smith, Farmersville; Miller, Cooger; Joiner, Idalou; Teer, Plano; Magness, Timpson; Arthur; Houston SA; Daniel, James Bowie; Looney, New Boston. **TACKLES:** James, Ranger; Fox, Van Alstyne; Ince, Itasca; Prather, Mansfield; Dalton, Hale Center; Langdon Ralls, Crank, Dublin; Gray, Joaquin; Stewart, Boerne; Brewer, Talco; Simich, LaFeria; Lomax, Franklin. **GUARDS:** Strmiska, Granger; Condron, Elgin; Pedegree, Alvarado; Rogers, Matt; Tankersley,

Japanese Student To Speak Here

Ichiro Matsuda, a young Japanese student from Erskine College of Due West, S. C., will be guest speaker at the regular Sunday morning services at the Eastland Presbyterian Church.

Matsuda, a devout Christian, is preparing for the Gospel ministry. He plans to return to Japan and spend his life winning souls for Christ.

There are regular worship services at the Presbyterian Church at 11 a.m. each second and fourth Sunday. Rev. M. P. Elder is minister.

Weather FREYSCHLAG INSURANCE AGENCY
No. Side Square Phone 173
Presents the Weather Report

Forget It, No Snow Due

Forget that white Christmas. It's going to get warmer Friday, at least that's what the weatherman said today.

Temperatures are due to rise back into the high 40s or low 50s Christmas day, and the low tonight is supposed to be no colder than 25 or 30.

Eastland Joins World In Celebrating Christmas

RANGER-LULING TILT SCHEDULED FOR TWO P.M.; SAN MARCOS TO HOST TWO TEAMS

The coveted Class A state grid-iron championship goes on the line Saturday at 2 p.m. in San Marcos when the Ranger Bulldogs and Luling tangle in what is generally rated as a toss-up ball game.

The game will probably be a thriller all the way as both teams are high scoring elevens. Luling has the top-rated back in Class A football in the form of Fullback Johnny Elm, while Ranger's Chico Mendoza is the top rated lineman in the Class A division.

Ranger has been the top-rated Class A eleven in the state for several weeks, but the case that Luling disposed of highly thought of Deer Park last week has changed the tide of thinking in many parts of the state. At kick-off time Luling will probably be a slight favorite.

Luling will throw an offensive formation against the Dogs that Coach Stubby Warden frankly admits, "will be hard to handle." It is the short punt formation—an offensive weapon Ranger has not played against all season. In addition Luling uses a single wing formation on occasions.

Talk of the state is Elm. The 185-pound sensation, besides being named on the all-state eleven, was chosen on the All-Southern team, which includes Class 4-A as well as Class 1-A. He runs, passes, punts and kicks extra points. One observer said he does everything but lose yardage.

Elm has three running mates that are also deadly runners. Smallest man in the Luling backfield is 155-pound Price Mathieson.

Ranger fans may find themselves a little confused when the Luling team runs out on the field. Instead of conventional numerals, Luling uses the letter-numeral type identification, first introduced by LSU. The letter signifies the player's position, and the numeral

is for identification. For instance, Elm will be sporting "E-3". His center will wear "C-2". Tackles have a "T" and then a number, guard a "G" and then a number, and so forth.

The Wardmen are not worried about the identification of the players, however. From indications in workout sessions this week—which have been somewhat hampered by cold weather—the Dogs aren't worried about anything.

Luling is undefeated and Ranger has lost only one game. Luling advanced in the play-offs by beating Burnett 56-18 for the Bi-District crown; Franklin, 26-13, for Regional honors; Cedar Bayou 28-7 in the Quarterfinals; and Deer Park 33-6 for Semi-final awards.

Ranger beat Albany 41-14 in Bi-District play, McCamey 14-7 for Regional honors, Sundown 47-6 for Quarterfinal awards and Clifton 21-6 in the Semifinal round.

It is unusual to note that Luling's backfield is heavier than their line. In the backfield Ranger will have to give 14 pounds to the man, but in the line will have a weight advantage of 26 pounds to the man. The Luling backfield averages 165 pounds a man and the line 157. Rangers backfield averages out at only 151, but the heavy line averages 183 pounds a man.

South Texas scribes are saying the weight advantage will prove of little use to Ranger. The Luling line has brought praise all season for being "the most aggressive in the state." Another said, "They may look little, but they ain't little."

Stopping Elm will probably be Ranger's biggest job, however. If the Dogs manage to do so this season, Luling uses the letter-numeral type identification, first introduced by LSU. The letter signifies the player's position, and the numeral

Luling's probable starting backfield will have Johnny Elm, 185, at tailback; Hewitt, Kraushoff, 160, and Price Mathieson, 155, halfbacks; and Tommy Haley, 161, quarterback.

Ranger's starting line will have 185 pound Tommy Hinds at left end; Jimmy Wheeler, 190, left tackle; Gary Patterson, 195, left guard; John Rucka, 163, center; Bobby Justice, 170, right guard.

Pfe. Elbert Holder

Pfe. Elbert Holder, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Holder of Rt. 3, Ranger, who is stationed at Fort Lawton, Washington, with the 28th AAA Gun Battalion, Holder entered basic training on Dec. 3, 1952 at Camp Roberts, Calif. He was home on a 25-day leave in October.

MOST STORES TO ENJOY LONG HOLIDAY

Eastland was getting ready for Santa's visit Thursday. It was a Christmas Eve and stores were rushed as last minute shoppers went about their usual chores.

Most stores in Eastland, as well as all public buildings, will be closed tomorrow. Many will remain closed until Monday, but some—including most grocery stores—will open again Saturday.

Several churches planned special Christmas services for tonight and Christmas day. The Colored Church sang carols last night at the community tree at the hospital.

Many Eastlanders were entertaining their family, but many left Thursday to spend their holidays with out-of-town friends.

It's Christmas Eve in Eastland and the world.

400 Attend Opening Of Brazda Clinic

Formal opening of the new Brazda Clinic was held Sunday afternoon in Ranger and some 400 persons were escorted through the modernistic building.

Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Brazda greeted guests at the doorway and they were shown through the clinic by Mrs. Richard Bonney, receptionist, Mrs. George Brasher, clinic nurse, and Mrs. Ida Hooks, secretary.

The clinic consists of 12 rooms, including two examining rooms, two doctors offices, two treatment rooms, a laboratory, reception room, business office and three dressing rooms.

The laboratory is complete with latest equipment. It is approved by the State Health Department. In addition to the laboratory, a blood bank is being installed.

Flowers from friends and neighbors helped to beautify the clinic on opening day.

South Ward PTA Christmas Program Held

A Christmas program was held this week by the South Ward PTA and each class presented a program of songs and acts.

Mrs. Charles Layton gave a reading which was termed "delightful" by visiting parents. Parents visited in class rooms following the program.

Mrs. Hood's second grade class won the room count.

The next meeting of the group will be held in January.

Rites Held For Brother Of Mrs. Patterson

Funeral services were held today for Virgil Nabors in Desdemona.

Mr. Nabors, who died in Houston at a sister's home Monday night, was the brother of Mrs. Guy Patterson of Eastland.

Further details were unavailable at presstime.

Motorists Of County Urged To Drive Safe

Don't let an unsafe car ruin your Christmas plans. Before starting on that holiday trip make sure that you will reach your destination by having your car inspected.

Carl B. Boustead, motor vehicle inspector for Eastland County, cautioned today.

"Accident figures show that one traffic death in every ten in Texas is caused by faulty mechanism," Boustead pointed out. According to the Department of Public Safety, about half of the cars inspected so far have required minor repairs.

Headlights, brakes, horns, rear view mirrors, and windshield wipers—all vitally important during the winter months—must be checked before April 15, in accordance with the Texas Motor Inspection Law, he said.

Drivers who are not planning trips should take advantage of the holidays and avoid the rush on car inspection stations that will come after the Christmas season, Boustead urged. With only 14 per cent of the cars having been inspected, the remaining 86 per cent will have only three and a half more months left before deadline.

Poustead urged holiday drivers also to drive carefully, obeying traffic laws and observing the simple courtesies of the road.

"Each year at what is supposed to be our most joyous season, we cripple and kill more and more people in traffic," he said. "The Department of Public Safety has estimated that this Christmas will be no exception—that 100 persons will lose their lives. This need not be the result. It can be avoided if we drive carefully, and most important, if we drive soberly. Don't take chances with your life or the lives of others."

Methodists Set 'Watchnight' Service Here

"After Christmas" will be the sermon topic of Rev. Jackson C. Oglesby, pastor of the First Methodist Church in Eastland Sunday.

Morning worship service at the church will begin at 10:30 a.m.

The Watchnight Service will be held from 8 until 12 tonight. Recreation will be directed by Miss Jeannie Howard. A talent program will follow under the direction of Mrs. H. H. Durham. Refreshments will be served by the refreshment committee, which is headed by Mrs. Ina Bean.

Furious Feline BUFFALO, New York —When the hood on the auto of Al Grimm's car was lifted by a gas station attendant a cat, spluttering and furious, leaped out.

STYLE - SAFETY - ECONOMY That's THE DODGE for 1954 MCGRAW MOTOR CO.

Tuberculosis Still Is Active In U. S.

Despite the great progress made against tuberculosis, there are still approximately 400,000 active cases in the United States, and about 85,000 newly discovered cases with active or probably active disease were reported last year, according to the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company's statisticians.

An important aspect of the current situation is the increased proportion of deaths from tuberculosis in late adult life, the statisticians report. Not only are older persons now the chief victims of the disease, it is observed, but they also are a major source of its spread.

On the brighter side of the picture, among the Metropolitan's industrial policyholders the death rate from the disease established a new minimum of 10.2 per 100,000 for the first 10 months of 1953—a reduction of more than one quarter in the past year alone, and of one half in the past three years.

The decrease in tuberculosis mortality in the general population of the United States has been almost as rapid. Among white females the death rate from the disease is now well below 10 per 100,000.

"This extraordinary record reflects to a degree the use of newly discovered drugs and new surgical techniques, together with bed rest and other standard methods of treatment," the statisticians report. "In part, too, it results from the hospitalization of increased numbers of the tuberculous, and from the earlier discovery of cases through mass X-ray surveys in communities and in industry and through routine X-ray of hospital patients."

According to the statisticians, unremitting efforts are required for further gains in the battle against the disease.



Pfc. Elbert Holder

Pfe. Elbert Holder, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Holder of Rt. 3, Ranger, who is stationed at Fort Lawton, Washington, with the 28th AAA Gun Battalion, Holder entered basic training on Dec. 3, 1952 at Camp Roberts, Calif. He was home on a 25-day leave in October.

OWN THE ECONOMY WINNER The 1954 DODGE MCGRAW MOTOR CO.



Greetings

The Christmas wishes we send you are meant to last as long as the green of the evergreen. And may it extend to all those you love, too.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Beethoven Club Christmas Party

The Beethoven Junior Music Club met in the home of their sponsor, Mrs. A. F. Taylor, Dec. 17th at 7:30 p.m. for their annual Christmas party.

Misses Patricia Ann Fullen and Marian Woods helped receive the guests and register them.

Miss Helen Taylor opened a formal meeting and announced Miss Lou Ann Corbell as program leader for the occasion.

The program began with the singing of Christmas carols and Miss George Ann Bennett was the accompanist.

Piano solo "Rustle of Spring," by Sinding, Miss Sue Stoker. Miss Bennett told the Christmas story, followed by another piano number "In Autumn," MacDowell, by Miss Alice Joyce Cushman.

At conclusion of the program a gift exchange was made with the sponsor presenting each student with a personal gift. A Christmas tree laden with many beautiful packages added to the Christmas spirit of the young people. With the many fresh flowers of red and white carnations, pot plants and greenery, Christmas reindeer and original colorful balls for decor, the bright faces and light hearts of the group the true feeling of Christmas entirely filled my house Mrs. Taylor stated.

Refreshments included tiny Christmas tree sandwiches, fruit cake with ice cream, spiced tea and cookies.

Those present were Misses Helen Taylor, Lou Ann Corbell, Alice Joyce Cushman, Jeanne Pittman, George Ann Bennett, Maenelle Cole, Patricia Ann Fullen, Julia Lynn Izzer, Sue Stoker, Rosemary Jones, Janice Morton, Phyllis Phillips, Sarah Smith, Dorothy Simmons, Shirley Thurman, Gaila Walters, Marian Woods, Jane Howell, Ella Joy Walker, and the teacher and counselor, Mrs. Fannie Bell Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sparks Open Their House To Friends

The Frank Sparks' home on Highway 80, was opened to friends on Sunday 3 to 5 p.m. for a special time to have their friends call.

The Sparkses hospitality was evident in the setting of the entire house. Inside it was all aglow with candles and silvered Magnolia leaves a glitter with Christmas sparkle. Little groups were overheard chatting about the warmth and cheer of the entire house with its Christmas card appointments.

Receiving guests at the door were Mr. and Mrs. Jos. M. Perkins and Mr. and Mrs. James Horton who alternated for the hosts. Callers were ushered into the music room where Mr. Sparks made them feel welcome and introduced them to houseguests, Mrs. Joette Williams of Dallas, Mrs. Sparks' daughter, and to Mrs. Sparks' sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bridges of Glen Rose. Mr. and Mrs. Buck Pickens of Fort Worth and Mrs. Sparks, last in the line, invited them to the tea

table with an "enjoy yourselves" graciousness.

The long table in the center of the room, laden with silvered Magnolia leaves and red candles, had silver service at each end where the guests found Mmes. W. E. Chaney, Pearson Grimes, Jack Muirhead and Margaret Turner who alternated at serving and kept the conversation light and gay. Huge trays of home made fruit cake, mints and toasted nuts, coffee and spiced hot cider were for the guests choice.

Ropes of pine and spruce permeated the house with a spicy fragrance synonymous with the Yuletide season.

Friends moved on to the third room where house party members greeted them and presented the guest book for registration.

The hallway and stair landing, all decked in gay cards against green and white wall, house party members in flowing formal of red, white, green, mauve rose

storm grey and white, sequined black, aqua, and liting blue, completed the picture to halt the most casual eye. The hostess wore a stately rose lace and taffeta corsage of gardenias.

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. William Lewis of Abilene, Judge and Mrs. L. R. Pearson of Ranger.

Additional members of the house party were Mmes. Virgil Seaberry Jr., Arthur Murrell, Jack Frost, W. H. Hoffmann, Horace Horton, Grady Pipkin, Milburn Long and Art Johnson.

A Cornell University study shows that rural and farm property values are increased by 52 per cent when roads serving the property are improved from dirt to hard-surfacing.

Real Estate and Rentals

MRS. M. P. HERRING

1002 S. Seaman Phone 726-W



Greetings

In harmony with this joyous season...we extend our best wishes for the happiest holiday ever.

Ruby Lee's Beauty Shop
Lucille Taylor - Jean Jackson - Merle Dry

ASK US ABOUT OUR FEEDER FINANCE PLAN NOW



120,009 turkeys on Purina Plan average

4 POUNDS FEED PER POUND GAIN!

Try Purina's complete feed program for turkeys

Just right for small flocks in confinement

Lots of growers who don't have their own grain are finding complete Purina Turkey Chows suit their feeding needs to a "T". They start, grow, and finish their birds on the Purina Plan, get economical gains, and a fine finish that helps them market their birds at a good price.



ASK FOR DETAILS

AT THE STORE WITH THE CHECKERBOARD SIGN

WILSON FEED & SEED

204 North Seaman

Phone 175

Las Leales Club 'Make Merry' For Dec. Program

Las Leales Club met Dec. 21st 7:30 p.m. at the Woman's Club for regular meeting and the program on "Make Merry" with Mrs. Guy Patterson as hostess was acclaimed a success.

Roll call was answered with members expressing "Yule Tide Thoughts."

Mrs. Thura Taylor presented "Design for Listening" in a most interesting manner with illustrated recordings of Christmas carols.

"The Christmas Story" as told by Mrs. Horner, was a review of La Befana, an Italian Christmas legend, translated by Nesta de Rabeck.

Miss Eunice Nall, year book chairman, discussed "Bright Packages" and each member expressed pleasure in the table arrangements and flowers displayed for the occasion. Gifts were exchanged.

Those present were Mrs. H. L. Hassell, president, Mmes. Anna Grace Pumpass, Wayne Caton, L. E. Huckabay, Opal Cross, Eldress Gattis, Clyde Horner, Rudolph Little, E. E. McAlister, Guy Patterson, Wendell Siebert, Homer Smith, Thura Taylor, W. Q. Vermer, Hubert Westfall, J. C. Whately, Onus Dick, James Horton and Miss Eunice Nall.



Alex Rawlins & Sons
MONUMENTS
WEATHERFORD, TEX.
Serving This Community For More Than 69 Years

NOTICE

BURR'S DEPARTMENT STORE WILL

CLOSE

IT'S DOORS DECEMBER 24TH AT 6:00 P.M.



Greetings

No Christmas would be complete for us without an expression of the warm feeling that we have for our many loyal and appreciative friends. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

Nick Miller
"The Man's Store"
712 Ave. D. Phone 456
CISCO

Announcing . . .

THE APPOINTMENT OF

Cisco Locker Plant

AS LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE OF

The King Food Plan

If You—

- 1. WANT TO SAVE MONEY
- 2. AND LIKE FROZEN FOODS—

We Would Welcome An Opportunity To Explain The Advantages of The King Food Plan—The Modern Way To Eat More And Better For Less Money.

A GIFT
Is Ready For The
First 15 Persons
Who Answer This
Ad.

FOR DETAILS
'with no obligation'
CALL
A. Z. MYRICK

Cisco Locker Plant

Phone 200, Collect

Cisco, Texas

The King Food Plan
Features The
AMANA FOOD
FREEZER
Which out-performs
any other food
Freezer

109 W. 9th St.

NOTICE!

THE

Eastland National Bank

WILL BE CLOSED

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, DECEMBER

25 - 26

Eastland Telegram

Eastland County Record established in 1931, consolidated August 31, 1951. Chronicle established 1887, Telegram established 1923. Entered as second class matter at the Post Office at Eastland, Texas under the act of Congress of March 3, 1879.

D. H. DICK, Manager
 VIRGIL E. MOORE, Editor

TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY
 O. H. Dick and Joe Dennis, Publishers
 Published Semi-Weekly—Tuesdays and Thursdays

One week by carrier in city	.30
One month by carrier in city	.45
One year by mail in county	2.50
One year by mail in state	3.75
One year by mail out of state	5.25

NOTICE TO PUBLIC—Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of this newspaper will be gladly corrected upon being brought to the attention of the publishers.

NEWS FROM DESDEMONA

By Mrs. Ethel Keith

Skeet Nabors left for a veterans hospital Saturday.

Wilbur Ash of Ranger was here visiting with boy friends and attended the ball tournament this week-end.

Mrs. Robert Myers of Oil Center, N. M., spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Joiner.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Davis was in Stephenville one day this past week on business and did some shopping while there.

Mr. and Mrs. Shorty May and children were in Gorman Friday night visiting with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Key and Debbie.

Dalton Anderson of Odessa has been home for several days and will be here with his mother, Mrs. Sally Huffman, until after the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Worden of South Texas are here this week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Worden.

Miss Sue Byrd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hastings Byrd was a patient in the Gorman hospital a few days this week.

Mrs. Lindsey Jones of Boys Community was a visitor Friday night with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilcoxson while Mrs. Jones' daughter, Beth, attended the ball tournament.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gallagher who have been in TCU in Fort Worth are in Eastland and Cisco for the Christmas season. Mrs. Gallagher is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Henderson and Mr. Gallagher's mother is Mrs. Joe Gallagher of Cisco. The students have transferred to Midwestern at Wichita Falls where he will major in P. E. and she will major in English.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Page and small daughter are visiting with Mrs. Page's mother, Mrs. T. E. Castleberry and other relatives in Eastland. The Page's are now living in Portales, New Mexico where he is Associate of Music and director of Choirs in the Eastern New Mexico University. His 110 voice choir gave three performances of Handel's Messiah; Santa Fe, Albuquerque and Portales. Mr. Page also appeared with the Albuquerque Symphony. He will be remembered, with his wife Glynn, as the director of the Odessa A Cappella Choir who came to Eastland in 1950. Mr. Page said that they will return to Portales early to make preparation for a one week tour with a 50 voice choir and will give thirteen concerts. This is his third year with the University. He has recently been re-elected as president of the New Mexico Teachers Assn. Mrs. Page is also teacher of Voice and is an accomplished musician.

Overseas Veterans Welcome
 Post No. 4136
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
 Meets 2nd and 4th Thursday 8:00 p.m.
 Karl and Boyd Tanner

The Jos. M. Perkins family will converge on Eastland before Christmas morning for the annual "family tree" gathering. Mrs. Keith Beyette and two daughters, Emily Jean and Susan are here. Miss Dorothy Perkins arrived a day later after having attended a gay party in Fort Worth with the fellow tourists of last summer when she went to Europe. Keith Beyette who is with the Texas Electric Co. of Fort Worth, will arrive tomorrow, bringing his mother, Mrs. Beyette.

Bob and his family live in Eastland and will have their toes to the

hearth and names under the tree at the Seaman residence. Pearl Johnson, who has long been with the Perkins family as supervisor of the kitchen and housekeeping is also here for her share of the family gathering. Pearl's husband is in Temple at present and she will soon return to him. Mr. Joe Perkins can be reached at Santa Claus' headquarters (Joe's favorite haunt is his work shop in his yard) where he has refashioned many old clocks in the last few weeks. Mrs. Perkins says the family are all anticipating a grand and merry Christmas.

BIG SAVINGS on
AIR WALL Year-Round
AIR CONDITIONING
 FOR YOUR HOME OR OFFICE
 REDUCED WINTER PRICES!
 BUY TODAY . . . PAY IN MAY
ACT NOW!

TEXAS DISTRIBUTORS, INC.
 3914 Live Oak Street, Dallas Phone TE-2194
 "Dealer Inquiries Invited"



Greetings

As "it came upon a midnight clear," may the message of Peace and Good Will dwell in your heart at Christmas.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH



THE Season's Good Wishes

May all the good cheer and joys of this happy holiday season stay with you and your dear ones throughout the coming year.

D. L. HOULE SHOF




Greetings

A good old-fashioned Merry Christmas is our fondest wish for all our friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Meek



Silent night

May the true spirit of the first Christmas shine brightly in your heart today and every day.

First Christian Church



GREETINGS

With all the warmth in our hearts, we extend to you our best wishes for a joyous Holiday Season.

Mr. and Mrs. Curley Maynard




A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS

May your heart rejoice anew in the message of the first Christmas... "on earth peace, good will toward men".

From Singer Sewing Center
 And Employees



Best Wishes

In the true spirit of this most joyous of holidays, we wish all our friends and neighbors a full measure of happiness, health and prosperity.

RICHARD C. COX
 County Treasurer

Ranger Junior College Helps Build a Better, Brighter Future

Spring Semester OPENS Jan. 26

★ **Veterans**

Investigate the many advantages offered by Ranger Junior College. Fully accredited courses, VA-approved, unusually low tuition fees. Night and extension classes for the convenience of employed veterans.

Make arrangements now to enroll for the coming spring semester. It opens on January 26.

Visit the college office or call 620 for complete information!

Ranger Junior College is an outstanding Junior College offering a two-year fully accredited college course in freshman and sophomore work plus many vocational and technical courses.

Courses of study include . . . English, Language, Business Administration, Social Science, Natural Sciences, Agriculture, Physical Education, Geography, Education, Mathematics, Civil Air Patrol, Art and Music.

- MODERNLY EQUIPPED . . .
- SPORTS . . .
- PURPOSE . . .

Ranger Junior College is equipped with the latest electric machines in business administration for training for banks, tax offices, oil supply companies and many other business fields. The college is equipped with excellent dormitory facilities. It has a splendid library building with study rooms and well selected stock room.

Football, basketball, tennis, golf, track and many other extra curricula activities are stressed by the college.

The purpose of Ranger Junior College is to prepare young men and young women to meet problems by giving training in different fields and in keeping with the ideals and traditions of college education. The hallmark of real college is liberty of thought and action.

TUITION: For 15 Semester Hours, \$25; Books, \$4, Board \$42.00 per month.

Season's Greetings

★ ★ ★

Ranger Junior College

DR. PRICE ASHTON, President RANGER, TEXAS

Merry Christmas

YOUR J. C. PENNEY STORE WILL BE OPEN FOR BUSINESS SATURDAY, DEC. 26

Peace and Happiness for Christmas

May this Holy Season
bring to our many friends all
the rich blessings that will make
for happiness and joy through-
out the year.



MANHATTAN CAFE
WILL BE CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY

Golden Wedding For J. N. Jordans

The Golden Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Jordan, south of the city, was celebrated Dec. 19th with four of their seven children as hosts for their open house, 2:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Many gifts from relatives and friends as well as numerous floral arrangements made the scene a festive one for the repeating of vows with double ring ceremony when gold bands were presented to each of the celebrants.

About seventy five guests signed the Golden Guest book, a present from Mrs. Flora Maynard, with Mrs. Jo Peck as registrar.

The "bride's table" had lace cloth of beige and point of interest for the table was a three tiered bride's cake topped with emblematic gold. Anne Jordan of Fort Worth, Letha Robertson and Estelle Jordan of Eastland, alternated at the coffee service.

The Jordan's have seven children: sons, Jodie of Lubbock, W. C. of Imperial, Calif., and Mrs. Edith Smith of Taft, Calif.

The four present for the occasion were H. C. Jordan and Mrs. Letha Robertson of Eastland, Rufus Jordan of Fort Worth and Mrs. Pearl Peck of Eagle Pass.

Christian Science

"Christian Science" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon to be read in Christian Science churches this Sunday. The Lesson explains what Christian Science is and how the laws of God operate bring healing and hope to mankind. Mary Baker Eddy, the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science, says of her discovery, in this selection from the Lesson: "The revelation consists of two parts: 1. The discovery of this divine Science of Mind-healing, through a spiritual sense of the Scriptures and through the teachings of the Comforter, as promised by the Master. 2. The proof, by present demonstration, that the so-called miracles of Jesus did not specially belong to a dispensation now ended, but that they illustrated an ever-operative divine Principle" (Science and Health with a Key to the Scriptures, p. 123).

Among the Bible passages to be read is the following from Matthew: "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened" (7:7,8).

The Golden Text of the Lesson is from Isaiah (52:9,10): "Break forth into joy, sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem: for the Lord hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations."

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Durham will have their son and wife and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Norman N. of Austin here for the holidays. They will leave on Saturday to spend a week with her parents who live in Muleshoe, Texas.

Mr. Edward Bringham, renowned artist and world traveler, is spending the holidays in the home of his nephew, the James Hortons.

Mrs. F. A. Morgan Is Honoree For Birthday Shower

The Fideles Matron Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church met Dec. 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship rooms of the church for a surprise birthday shower and Christmas program with gift exchange among the members.

Mrs. W. D. R. Owen gave the Christmas story "The Small One." The tea table had red cloth with sequined Christmas trees and for center piece an arrangement of Christmas evergreens and candles. Mrs. H. F. Hodges, president of the class, poured and the members enjoyed spiced tea, salted nuts, stuffed dates and an assortment of decorated cookies.

Those present were Mmes. F. A. R. Morgan, Mary Bargsley, C. M. Van Geem, Nettie Rushing, E. W. Gourley, Grace Bray, Emma Wade, Lee Campbell, H. P. Pentecost, Ida Chandler, Sue Naylor, C. M. R. theal, B. W. Patterson, H. F. Hodges, Frank Lovett, Jennie Wallace, C. C. Street and W. D. R. Owen.

Christmas Party For KERC Staff

The Allen Dabney home on South Seaman Street was opened Dec. 21st at 7 p.m. with a Christmas party for the staff and their families of KERC.

The Dabney home with its gay Christmas theme, a tall tree with its many packages and the many arrangements of season's greenery was filled with the aroma of spruce and pine. Mr. and Mrs. Dabney with their son, James, welcomed the guests who were Mr. and Mrs. Steve Potts and daughter Sandra, who is also an employee, Mr. and Mrs. Foy True, Mr. Joe Johnson, Mr. Jimmie Spence and Miss Ethel Sparr.

The massive dining room table was glowing with refreshments. Mrs. Dabney used an ivory satin cloth with an arrangement entirely gold. Many candles were employed. Coffee service and appointments were gold banded havolind china.

The guests were served individual pies with whipped cream topping and coffee. After refreshments, each received a gift, for

the surprise of the evening. Mr. night with a "merry wish" for th and Mrs. Dabney bade each a good New Year.

**Greetings
of the SEASON**

In this glad time of the year,
we wish for you and yours:
the Joy of giving, the
Satisfaction of appreciation
and the Blessing of love.

Eastland Chamber Commerce

Holy night

In the hush of a mid-
night clear,
the herald angels
sang out to praise
the new-born King.
May His message of peace
and good will lighten your
heart and brighten your
home this Christmas and
all through the New Year.

**OLDEN
BAPTIST
CHURCH**

**QUALITY renovating on any
type of Mattress. No job too
large or small.**

Jones Mattress Company
703 Ave. A. Ph. 861 Cisco

**Season's
Greetings**

In the spirit of the season
we send you warm-hearted
greetings and best wishes for
a joyous Holiday.

**MR. AND MRS.
ART JOHNSON**

Merry Christmas Ahead

It looks like it's going to be the happiest
holiday ever—filled with the pleasures that only
the Yuletide season can bring... a deep down glad spirit, warm and loving hearts.

May you enjoy this Christmas with unlimited good health and good spirit.

RANGER GENERAL HOSPITAL

GREETINGS...

Dear Friends:

As we approach the Christmas Season, we can truthfully tell you that you have helped make the year 1953 one of the happiest for all of us here at Pullman Supply Co., and Eastland Iron & Metal Co.

We like to think of our customers as our friends, and we value our business friendships as we value our personal friendships. We like to feel that there is a spirit of friendship underlying each business transaction.

Thank you for the business you have given us, and hope that the New Year will bring us new customers and new friends, and above all, your loyalty to our organization.

As an expression, therefore, of our genuine appreciation of your friendship and all that it has meant to us, we wish you and those whom you love... A Joyful Christmas Season and a New Year Brimful of Good Things.

Sincerely yours,
HENRY PULLMAN

Pullman Supply Company -- Eastland Iron Metal Company

..Classified Ads..

• FOR RENT

FOR RENT: 5 room furnished house, 1313 South Basett, \$50 month. Eastland Telegram.

FOR RENT: Small furnished house. References required. Apply Mode O' Day. Phone 518-W.

FOR RENT: 3 room modern house. Olden. I. E. Talley.

FOR RENT: Small house furnished, also one light house-keeping room. 111 North Daugherty.

FOR RENT: 2 room apartment, frigidaire, newly decorated. 1229 West Main. Phone 894-J.

FOR RENT: Clean 4 room nicely furnished apartment, garage. Phone 648-W.

FOR RENT: 4 room house in country, \$10 per month. Call 682-J.

FOR RENT: Furnished and unfurnished apartment. East side of square. Phone 633.

FOR RENT: Downtown upstairs bedroom, private bath, air conditioned, bills paid. \$30 month. Phone 692 or 235.

FOR RENT: 4 room furnished apartment. 612 West Plummer.

FOR RENT: Furnished apartment. Phone 9520. Hillside Apartments.

FOR RENT: Downstairs furnished apartment, 3 rooms and private bath. Hardwood floors and venetian blinds. Upstairs furnished apartment, 4 rooms, private bath. Bills paid. Phone 107-J-3.

FOR RENT: Three room apartment, newly painted, \$25 per month. Phone 727-J1.

FOR RENT: Downtown upstairs apartment, furnished, air-conditioned, \$42.50 month, bills paid, phone 692.

FOR RENT: 2 four room duplex apartments, unfurnished. Reasonable. A. H. Johnson.

Real Estate
And Rentals
MRS. J. C. ALLISON
Phone 347 - 920 W. Commerce

T. L. FAGG
R. L. JONES
REAL ESTATE
Property Management
Home and Farm Loans

Brown Sanatorium
Office hours 8 to 5 p.m.
Dr. N. A. Brown, D.C.
In Charge
800 W. 6th St. Cisco

• FOR SALE

FOR SALE: Norge electric No. 33 washing machine, good condition, cheap. Phone 149, 610 South Hal-bryan.

FOR SALE: Northeast corner lot, 70 by 150 feet. Near schools, terms if desired. J. F. McWilliams.

FOR SALE: Special \$1.95 book satchels at \$1.00, while they last. Will make a nice Christmas Gift for school children. Eastland Telegram Office.

FOR SALE: Give pet Parakeets for Christmas gifts. Special prices on birds and cages during the holidays. Hart's Aviaries, 601 S. Basett St., Phone 670.

FOR SALE: 5 room house, breeze-way and bath. Attached garage, carpeting throughout, furnace heat, fenced in backyard, complete redecorating in August, 1953. 408 South Daugherty Street. Call 972-J after five.

FOR SALE: 5 rooms and bath. Garage and storage. Near schools. Priced for quick sale. Call 594-J.

FOR SALE: Educational and instructive toys for all young people. Hobbycraft model airplane, Qis-Craft boats, build them yourself. Gasoline motors and all hobby supplies. Makes wonderful Christmas presents: Blevins Motor Co. 511 West Main. Phone 308.

FOR SALE: Spacious 28-foot trailer house, nice inside, well furnished. Trailerlight make. Contact by phone 747.

FOR SALE: Irish potatoes, \$4 hundred pounds, delivered. Call 857.

• NOTICE

LODGE NOTICE
Stated meeting Eastland Masonic Lodge No. 467. Second Thursday each month.
L. E. Huckabay W. M.
H. P. Pentecost, Sec.

LODGE NOTICE
Stated meeting R. A. chapter No. 403 meets on fourth Thursday of each month.
C. J. Langlitz, H. P.
H. P. Pentecost, Sec.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS:
A regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Eastland National Bank, Eastland, Texas, will be held in the banking rooms of said bank between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. on the 12th day of January, 1954, being the second Tuesday in said month, for the purpose of electing directors and the transacting of such other business as may properly come before the stockholders' meeting.

GUY PARKER, Vice-President
NOTICE: From October 1st I will be responsible for bills only made personally—signed, Billy J. Marsh.

• LOST
STRAYED: Registered Hereford gilt, weight 125 pounds. Whiteface rightside. If found please notify D. B. Wyatt, Rt. 1, Eastland, Flatwoods community.

• HELP WANTED

WANTED: Reliable lady or girl immediately for house work and care of child. Phone 201-W.

HELP WANTED: Family man to represent Singer Sewing Center. Call for Mr. J. G. Heath. Phone 863.

CRAIG FURNITURE
NEW AND USED
BUY - SELL AND TRADE
Plumbing Fixtures, Water Fountains
Electrical Appliance Repairs
Phone 807

• NEWS FROM OLDEN

(By Mrs. Dick Yielding)

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Elliott are the parents of a baby girl, born in the Ranger General Hospital last week.

Mrs. Dealva Edwards, Mrs. Max McCotter and Mrs. Tommy Alford were shopping in Ft. Worth last Thursday.

Cpl. Hamon Thomas, who has been stationed in Missouri, will be home for the Christmas holidays. When he returns to his base the first, he will go to Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Reese and children left last Friday at noon for Stanton, where they spent the week-end with their daughter and family.

Mrs. Nettie Fox returned from Fort Worth last Friday where she had been visiting her sister and niece.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee McGuire received a telephone call from their grandson, in Odessa, last Thursday evening, telling them to meet him at the depot in Eastland Friday.

day. He will spend the holidays here.
Mrs. Carl Butler, Mrs. M. D. Fox and Mrs. Dick Yielding served as hostesses to about 50 children after contata practice last Wednesday night. Sandwiches and home baked cookies were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Allen and Carolyn of Kermit have been visiting his mother here. They left for Stephenville Sunday afternoon where they will visit her mother before returning home Tuesday.



Christmas Greetings
May the true spirit of Christmas dwell in your home and in your heart throughout the year.
Eastland Memorial Hospital

Season's Greetings



At this heartwarming season, we extend to everyone our wishes for a joyous and bountiful Christmas... a happy and prosperous New Year.
Warren Motor Co. And Employees

Greetings

May your heart be light and your home be bright with every Christmas joy



Fagg and Jones
Petroleum Bldg. REAL ESTATE Phone 597

New 1954 Chevrolet

COME SEE IT!
First and only low-priced car to bring you all these new features and advantages!

New!



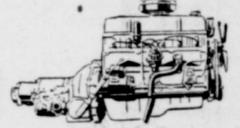
POWER BRAKES
First in the Low-Price Field!
Chevrolet Power Brakes make stopping wonderfully easy and convenient. Optional at extra cost on Powerglide models.

New!



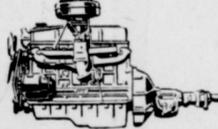
AUTOMATIC WINDOW AND SEAT CONTROLS
More Chevrolet "Firsts!"
Just touch a button to adjust front windows and seat to your liking. Optional on Bel Air and "Two-Ten" models at extra cost.

New!



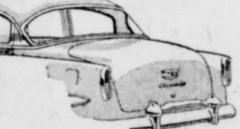
NEW POWER IN "BLUE-FLAME 125" ENGINE
Most Powerful in its Field!
The most powerful Chevrolet passenger car engine ever built! Amazingly economical, it's teamed with Powerglide, optional at extra cost.

New!



NEW POWER IN "BLUE-FLAME 115" ENGINE
Out-Powers All Other Low-Priced Cars!
In gearshift models, the more powerful "Blue-Flame 115" engine gives you finer performance with money-saving gas mileage!

New!



NEW STYLING IN BODY BY FISHER
Another Chevrolet Exclusive!
New front- and rear-end styling. All around the car you see new beauty in the only Fisher Body in Chevrolet's field.

New!



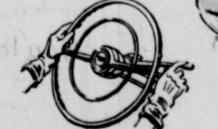
FINEST, MOST COLORFUL INTERIORS
in the Low-Price Field!
Here are the most luxurious interiors on any low-priced car! New interior color harmonies are keyed to brilliant new exterior colors.

New!

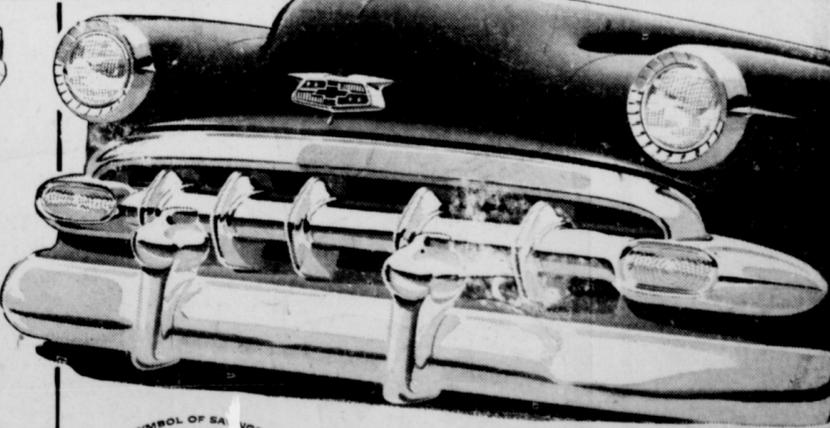


LOWER PRICED POWER STEERING
Another Chevrolet "First!"
First in its field with Power Steering. Chevrolet now reduces the price. Optional at extra cost on all models.

New!



CHEVROLET'S EXCLUSIVE POWERGLIDE
Now for All Models!
Now you can have smooth, thrifty Powerglide on any model. Teamed with the "Blue-Flame 125" engine, it's optional at extra cost.



CHEVROLET
EMBLEM OF EXCELLENCE

More things more people want, that's why **MORE PEOPLE BUY CHEVROLETS** than any other car!

WE'VE PUT JINGLE BELLS ON ELSIE SHE'S BETTER THAN SANTA'S DEER, SHE BRINGS YOU HEALTH IN BOTTLES EACH DAY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR!



Merry Christmas

from all of us at



DAIRY PRODUCTS

Tommy Nicholas
Kenneth Mayhall
Rabb Steddum
Jack Willis
J. P. Kilgore

Pete Rodgers
Richard Robinson
Luce Pittman
John Crisham
J. T. Gregory

FULLEN MOTOR COMPANY

305 EAST MAIN

SALES—CHEVROLET—SERVICE

PHONE 44



How Ready Are You for Christmas

Here is something of a Christmas "mix" that you can relax a moment for TV-ming and pleasure. It is a simple recipe and an ample one to share with the busy neighbor after it is made.

Ingredients are: 1 box each of Wheat Chex, Rice Chex, 2 pounds pecans, 1 can peanuts, 2 boxes of pretzel sticks.

And for the sauce: 3/4 pound margarine, 1/2 cup of honey dripping, 4 table spoons of tobacco, 4 table spoons of Worcestershire sauce, 2 teaspoons salt, 2 teaspoons garlic salt.



Van Heflin, co-starred with Julia Adams in Universal-International's Technicolor production of "Wings of the Hawk," opening at the Majestic Theatre, intends to limit his stage appearances. "Once every two years is about right," he says.

The popular performer, who last appeared on tour in "The Shrike" (in which he played a demanding role that kept him on stage almost continuously) said "I started in show business on the stage, and I believe it adds polish to an actor. I will never give it up completely, but touring is a rough grind and it takes plenty out of a guy."

Now in his early 40's, Heflin is married to former film starlet Frances Neal and is the father of two daughters, Vana, 9, and Catherine Carol, 6. His complete adaptability to stage and film roles is shown by his wide variety of parts in both media.

FARMS - RANCHES
Pentecost & Johnson
REAL ESTATE
City Property

DIXIE
Drive-In Theatre
Eastland - Ranger Highway
Box Office Opens 6:30
First Showing 6:45
2nd Showing 8:45
ADMISSION 50c
Children Under 12 FREE

Friday - Saturday
December 25 - 26
TAKE THE HIGH GROUND
Richard Widmark

Sunday - Monday - Tuesday
December 27 - 28 - 29
HALF A HERO
Red Skelton - Jean Hagen
ALSO SELECTED SHORT SUBJECTS

We will be closed
CHRISTMAS EVE

INSIST ON OUR BETTER SANITONE DRY CLEANING



It's Best for the Finest Garments...
Best for All Your Family's Clothes!

Nothing we could possibly say about our dry cleaning would tell half as much as the first suit or dress we clean for you. Try us... and you'll see, feel and smell the difference in our Sanitone Service! All dirt out. Spots gone. Perspiration removed! Better press lasts longer. And it costs no more than ordinary dry cleaning! For special garments... for all your family's clothes there's nothing like our Sanitone Dry Cleaning. Call us today and see for yourself!

SANTONE MODERN DRY CLEANERS

T. B. Johnson, Owner 209 S. Seaman
CALL 132 FOR PICK-UP DELIVERY

HUMBLE TIPS



"Told you I'd have it purr" like a Kitten."
It takes good gasoline, the proper oil to keep a motor running in top shape—to make it "purr". For lubrication and car-washing too... see us.

HUMBLE
OBIE & DOC
SERVICE STATION
207 E. Main Phone 9535

Season's GREETINGS
All the joys that go with a Holiday full of heart-felt happiness—these we wish you this Christmas Season.

CISCO TRUCK STOP
Robinson Bros.
Hwy. 50 West
Cisco, Texas

MAJESTIC IN EASTLAND
Open 1:45
Friday
Saturday
Sunday

FRIDAY - SATURDAY
December 25 - 26
WINGS OF THE HAWK
Van Heflin Julia Adams

Last Times Thursday
Dec. 24
THOSE REDHEADS FROM SEATTLE
Peggy Fleming - Teresa Brewer
Gail Patrick - The Hill Sisters

A GREAT WEEK OF FINE
ATTRACTIONS FOR
YOUR HOLIDAY MOVIE
ENTERTAINMENT

SUNDAY - MONDAY
December 27 - 28
A world of adventure!
BOTANY BAY
Color by Technicolor
Alfred Hitchcock
James Mason
James Robertson
Hardwicke

Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Dec. 29-30-31
THUNDER OVER THE PLAINS
Randolph Scott
James Cagney
Linda Christian

NEWS FROM CHEANEY

Mrs. Bill Tucker
As we anticipate the happiness and joy of Christmas, the glad smiles of children, the aroma of fruit cake and the many delicious foods which grace the festive board, we are reminded of "Tiny Tim" when he uttered the well-known "God bless us every one." May the yuletide be merry and bright for all of us!

Several in the community have been ill. Barbara and Helen Perrin, children of Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Perrin, both were patients in the Gorman hospital during the week, with intestinal flu. Both are at home and much better now.

Mrs. Lonzo Melton was also a patient for several days at Gorman, but at this reporting, is resting satisfactorily at home.

John Love suffered an attack of cold and was unable to attend church Sunday. Loresta Wallace also missed church and Sunday School, due to upset stomach.

Mrs. Layton Rogers suffered a

near stroke last week and was a patient in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Della Galloway, until Saturday, when she was returned to her home. She will be convalescent for quite awhile, her doctors orders.

The Thelbert Joneses made a round of calls Friday, for a fruit cake recipe, first at Mrs. B. B. Freemans and then Mrs. A. H. Deans.

Miss Berle Blackwell of Lubbock, is home for the holidays with her parents, the E. E. Blackwells. Herman Blackwell was also home this week-end, from Fort Worth. He had just returned from a visit in Arkansas, with a friend, Glenn Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Neger visited in the Bill Tucker home Monday night. Charles, their son, who is stationed in Munich, Germany, has sent Christmas cards to many of his Alameda and Cheaney friends, which incidentally, included us.

Mr. and Mrs. Neger attended church at Cheaney Sunday and were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Blackwell and family.

All the Sunday School youngsters were the recipients of a sack of assorted candies and nuts from their teacher, Mrs. Ben Freeman. She also gave the intermediate class the same kind.

"Singin' in the Rain"...

Dreary days can be a pretty permanent thing for the family which lacks the security and protection of a sound insurance program. Don't risk it. Call me today and let's talk over your insurance.

Scottland Life
INSURANCE COMPANY
Serving Since 1909

M. H. PERRY
510 S. Dixie
Phone 713-J

LIFE • ACCIDENT • HEALTH • HOSPITALIZATION • GROUP

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

In announcing the sale of the Cisco Laundry Service to Otis Coleman, we wish to take advantage of this opportunity to thank our many friends and customers for their trade and many favors since I have been in business in Eastland.

We hope all our customers will continue to patronize the new owner.

Don Doyle

I am happy to announce that I have bought the Cisco Laundry Service from Don Doyle. We are proud of our new business firm and extend to all citizens of this territory to give us a trial. We will continue to give the same good service... just phone the same number—60.

MAY WE HAVE THE PLEASURE OF SERVING YOU.

Otis Coleman

JOY DRIVE-IN
CISCO - EASTLAND HIGHWAY
LAST TIMES TODAY

TAKE THE HIGH GROUND!
RICHARD WIDMARK - KARI MALDEN - CAROLYN DANIELA - EDGARD STUART
PLUS

BLACKBEARD THE PIRATE
TECHNICOLOR
NEWTON - BARNELL - BENDIX
Cartoon

Friday and Saturday
IT'S CHILL-OSSAL!
The Bowery Boys haunt the ghosts!
Spook Busters
LEO GORCEY HUNTZ HALL BOBBY JORDAN

THE LAST DAYS OF MIGHTY BABYLON!
TECHNICOLOR
Richard CONTE - Linda CHRISTIAN

SUNDAY AND MONDAY
APACHES THUNDERED FROM EVERY HILL!
CONQUEST OF COCHISE
JOHN HODIAK ROBERT STACK JOY PAGE
Cartoon

Salute TO THE New Year

To our many friends a New Year's toast... May you enjoy all the happiness and good fortune life can give.

YOUR DISTRICT CLERK
Roy Lane and Family

PALACE
THEATRE - IN CISCO, TEXAS
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
Opens 1:45 Christmas Day

The Blazing Fury of Guerrilla War!
FIGHTER ATTACK
Sterling HAYDEN - Joy PAGE - J. Carrol NASH
In Thrilling COLOR

SATURDAY ONLY
SUPER-CHARGED LAUGHS!
LEO GORCEY AND THE BOWERY BOYS
—plus—
Jalopy
HUNTZ HALL
THE PATHFINDER
GREATEST INDIAN FIGHTER OF THEM ALL!
Color by Technicolor
GEORGE MONTGOMERY

SUNDAY AND MONDAY
STRANGE SAFARI!
...into the Passion and Hate of the Jungle!
GLENN FORD ANN SHERIDAN ZACHARY SCOTT
APPOINTMENT IN HONDURAS
in EASTMAN COLOR!
News and Cartoon



Christmas Greetings

As shepherds watched their flocks... and Wise Men followed their
 Star... a Babe was born in Bethlehem almost two thousand years ago. Today, as then, His message of Peace
 and Good Will shines brightly in the hearts of men... a beacon of hope to light the way
 to a better world for all. In the true spirit of that message, age-old yet ever-young,
 we wish for everyone, everywhere, a Christmas rich in the joy of blessings received...
 bright with the promise of happiness, deep and abiding, through all the years to come.

BLEVINS MOTOR CO.

CHRYSLER - PLYMOUTH

511 W. Main

Phone 308



Christmas WISHES

A wealth of health, happiness and contentment are our wishes for all our friends and neighbors on this most joyous holiday.

Obie & Doc Serv. Sta.
East Main & Bassett
Eastland, Texas

AGGIE GETS HIS CLASS RING BACK AFTER STRANGE 'TRIP'

The strange 'Case of the Recovered Ring' will be told for many years to come among alumni of Texas A&M College.

What started as an ordinary theft case will be remembered among the exotic stories of other lost jewelry, complete with an unknown villain, a journey around half the world and final recovery from possession of an Oriental enemy.

The unusual part of the ring's story begins when Otto Yelton of Galveston, Class of '50, saw a yellow glitter between the bodies of two dead communist soldiers on a mist-shrouded hilltop in Korea's Choswan Valley.

Yelton moved one of the bodies aside to see what caused the glitter and found that it was an Aggie ring, Class of '45. Being a former Aggie himself, Yelton wondered which of his fellows had fallen or been captured by the Communist Chinese forces.

The rare 'J. N. Parks' was engraved inside the ring.

Yelton kept it for return to Parks' family, since he had no doubt that Parks, Class of '45, had been killed or captured.

After completing his tour of duty and returning home, Yelton gave the ring to a friend, Aggie Senior Bill Robinson of Galena Park, so that Robinson could find the owner's family and return it.

Robinson started the grim task of combing the Former Student Association files to learn which of his fellow Aggies had owned the ring. Several 'J. N. Parks' appeared on the role, and he wrote to each. All replied negatively but one. That letter returned unopened, bearing the cryptic notation, "No One By This Name At This Address."

Robinson then tried to contact the parents of the missing Parks, and wrote to the mother, Mrs. Margaret Parks of 739 W. Lynwood Ave., San Antonio. Mrs. Parks did not reply.

Some time later, however, J. N. Parks himself replied. His mother had forwarded the letter of inquiry to him at 4614 Dodd St., Corpus Christi.

A meeting was arranged between Yelton, Robinson and Parks for the Thanksgiving Day football game between Texas A&M and the University of Texas.

Yelton was unable to attend, however. He was on his honeymoon.

During their meeting Parks and

Robinson learned that both had many friends in common, since each was a graduate of Schreiner Institute Junior College.

Robinson learned that Parks himself had not lost the ring in Korea, but that it had been stolen from the glove compartment of his car while he was fishing near San Antonio.

No one will ever know the identity of the mysterious agent who stole the ring, or what wanderings it went through from that time. Sept. 3, 1952, until Yelton found it beside the dead enemy soldier on a Korean battleground.

But after a mysterious voyage half-way around the world and a series of almost unbelievable coincidences, the ring now is back in the familiar hands of its owner.



GREETINGS to All

May all the joy which comes from the true spirit of Christmas be yours through all the New Year.

Lucas Humble Service Station
300 E. Main Phone 9537



Mr. & Mrs. Victor Cornelius



Merry Christmas

To all our friends we extend our heartiest wishes for gladness and good fortune for Christmas and the New Year.

Red Graham Gulf Serv. Sta.
500 West Main



Season's Greetings

With the approach of Christmas, our thoughts revert gratefully to those whose good will and confidence we have learned to treasure throughout the years. It is to these old friends and our many new ones that we wish to extend our warmest wishes for a cheerful and joyous Christmas — a happy and prosperous New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Dick
Mr. and Mrs. Don Parker
Mr. and Mrs. Virgil E. Moore



Greetings

May you find good cheer, peace and happiness at Christmas time. These are our sincere wishes for all our friends who have made this Christmas such a wonderful one for us.

STOKER TRUCK AND TRACTOR
405 South Seaman Phone 657

Festive Recipes For The Party Season; Punch, Cakes, Breads

Cook eating is as much a part of Christmas festivities as giving and receiving gifts. The gay, rich goodies that Food Editor Helen McCully of McCall's has assembled in the December issue will delight your family and guests. The selection includes sparkling holiday punch, party tidbits and cakes and breads that are bright with spices and candied fruits. Here are a few recipes from the many she has to offer:

CHRISTMAS PUNCH

1 No. 2 1/2 can sliced pineapple
 8 oz. jar maraschino cherries
 1 bottle sweet sauterne
 1 bottle dry Chablis

1 bottle champagne
 1/2 cup pineapple juice
 1/2 cup maraschino cherries in a big bowl along with the sweet and dry white wines. Cover tightly and let stand in your refrigerator 3 to 4 hours to mellow.

Just before serving, dump in a trayful of ice cubes and pour in chilled champagne. Makes four quarts.

HONEY CAKE

2 1/2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
 1/4 teaspoon cloves
 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
 3 eggs

1 cup brown sugar, firmly packed
 2 tablespoons cooking oil
 6 tablespoons water
 1/2 teaspoon instant or frozen coffee concentrate
 3 tablespoons orange juice
 1 1/2 teaspoon grated orange rind
 3/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons honey
 1/3 cup granulated sugar
 1/3 cup chopped, balanced almonds, pecans or walnuts

Start your oven at 350F or moderate. Line a 10"x5"x3" loaf pan with waxed paper and grease or oil the paper. Sift flour, baking powder, soda, cloves, nutmeg together.

Beat eggs in a large bowl until frothy, add the brown sugar gradually and continue beating until creamy. Now pour in the oil, water, instant or frozen coffee, orange juice and rind and 3/4 cup honey. Stir in the flour mixture about 1/3 at a time.

Meanwhile, cook the granulated sugar in a heavy saucepan until a caramel color. Stir constantly. Then add a drop of oil and the chopped nuts. Pour into a greased piepan and cool until firm and brittle. Break into little bits. Mix remaining honey with 1 tablespoon hot water, brush over cake and sprinkle with nut brittle.

RUM ICE-CREAM MOLD

1 1/2 cups light cream
 1/4 cup sugar
 1/4 teaspoon salt
 4 egg yolks
 2 cups heavy cream
 1/2 cup rum
 1/2 cup candied cherries
 1/4 cup pistachio nuts

Heat light cream in a saucepan or top of double boiler until a film wrinkles over the surface. Don't boil. Then stir in sugar and salt until dissolved.

Beat egg yolks slightly, stir a little of the hot cream into them gradually, then mix slowly into the hot cream (no curdling this way). Cook over gently boiling water, stirring constantly, until mixture is smooth and thick as corn syrup. Cool completely.

Beat heavy cream stiff and mix it and the rum gently into the cold custard. Pour into 2 refrigerator trays, set freezing control at coldest point and freeze until firm. Chop up cherries and nuts. Transfer ice cream to a bowl and mix with a spoon or electric mixer until ice cream is free of lumps.

Stir in the cherries and nuts, spoon into a 1 1/2 quart mold and freeze until firm in your freezer. No freezer? Then pack as you would homemade ice cream. Will serve 8 to 10.

SPICE BREAD

1 cup milk
 2/3 cup butter, margarine or shortening
 1/2 cup sugar
 2 teaspoons salt
 1/4 cup lukewarm water
 2 pkg quick-acting dry or compressed yeast
 4 eggs
 Grated rind 1 large lemon
 4 1/2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
 1 1/4 teaspoons ground anise

1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
 1/4 teaspoon ground coriander
 1/4 teaspoon ground cardamom

Heat milk until a film wrinkles over the surface (don't boil) and stir in the butter or margarine or shortening, sugar, salt until dissolved. Pour lukewarm water into a bowl, sprinkle yeast over top to soften, then stir in well-beaten eggs and grated lemon rind. Mix yeast mixture in with the milk mixture.

Sift flour and spices together. Beat flour and spices into the liquid mixture (this particular dough is quite liquid), cover with a clean towel and let rise in a warm spot, away from drafts, until double in bulk. At this point give dough a hard beating and pour into 2 well-greased bread

1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
 1/4 teaspoon ground coriander
 1/4 teaspoon ground cardamom

Heat milk until a film wrinkles over the surface (don't boil) and stir in the butter or margarine or shortening, sugar, salt until dissolved. Pour lukewarm water into a bowl, sprinkle yeast over top to soften, then stir in well-beaten eggs and grated lemon rind. Mix yeast mixture in with the milk mixture.

Sift flour and spices together. Beat flour and spices into the liquid mixture (this particular dough is quite liquid), cover with a clean towel and let rise in a warm spot, away from drafts, until double in bulk. At this point give dough a hard beating and pour into 2 well-greased bread pans 10"x5"x3" in size. Pans should be half full. Brush tops with melted butter or margarine and let stand, uncovered, in a warm place for 30 minutes.

Bake in a 400F or moderately hot oven 5 minutes, reduce heat to 375F or moderate and continue baking 25 to 30 minutes longer. Cool in the pan for about 15 minutes, then remove.

SAVINGS LOST

HARTFORD, Conn.—While a construction worker, Alvin R. DeSarro, was playing in a band to make extra money, thieves went to work at his home and took \$2,500. The money represented five years' savings for a new home.

Season's
Greetings
 and best wishes

Everets Grocery
 Olden, Texas

NOEL

No words express more sincerely at this time of year all that is in our hearts for our many friends than the good old fashioned "Merry, Merry Christmas!"

Freyschlag
 Insurance Agency
 For Your Protection
 107 W. Main Phone 173

MERRY CHRISTMAS

KINSEY
 GRO. & MARKET
 1103 W. Commerce



GREETINGS of the Season

May the happiness of the Holiday season, deepened and strengthened by the spiritual inspiration of the Christmas message, abide with you through all the days ahead. This is our warmest wish for you and yours, as through the soft silence of a Holy night, the shining wonder of Christmas once more dawns upon the World.

Altman's Style Shop
 North Side of Square

Greetings and best wishes for a
 Christmas that will be memorable for the happiness
 and enjoyment it will bring to you and your dear ones.

PIPKIN'S
PIGGLY WIGGLY

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Pipkin
 Mr. and Mrs. James Pipkin
 Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Pipkin
 Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Pipkin
 Mr. and Mrs. V. S. Howard

Geo. Washington's Uniform Gets Cleaning First Time In 170 Years

WASHINGTON — The uniform George Washington wore when he resigned his commission at Annapolis has "gone to the cleaners" for the first time in 170 years.

The buff-and-blue uniform coat, breeches, and vest long have been among the most prized possessions of the Smithsonian Institution's historical collection. When it was decided to move them to a new display the opportunity — and the problem — of cleaning them arose.

The uniform was tailored of the finest domestic material available at the time—so fine, in fact, that it shows almost no deterioration. Inevitably, however, fine dust particles have worked their way into the fabric—each particle acting as a tiny razor cutting the fine fibers when the cloth is agitated in any way.

The institution considered it unwise to allow the uniform out of the building to be cleaned by professional dry cleaners. The fabric could not be rubbed or sponged because of the risk of damage.

It was finally decided to use an organic solvent into which the garments were raised and lowered gently. The cleaning process over, the uniform was laid out carefully on white blotting paper to dry. It was not pressed for fear of steam damage or pressure.

The Smithsonian received the uniform 70 years ago from the Patent Office, which had received it in turn as a bequest.

Mendel L. Peterson, the institution's curator of history, reports that although the material is the finest produced in America at the time, the uniform is not up to the quality of those worn by British generals who fought in the Revolution. The British wore beautifully tailored scarlet regalia which, in comparison, makes the blue coat and buff breeches and vest of Washington's uniform look almost plain.

The coat is of woolen broad-

cloth with buff trimming for the lapel and coat tail. The lining is woolen with mohair stiffening, excepting the sleeves, which are lined with linen.

In its new setting the uniform is now displayed as a unit together with Washington's mess chest and sword. The chest, supposedly used by the General in the field, contains tin plates, a meat platter, knives, forks, spice and condiment containers, and a number of bottles. In one of the bottles is a little crude salt — perhaps evaporated sea salt for the crystals are irregularly shaped—remnants of that actually used by Washington.

The sword was Washington's favorite. Known as a "hanger" because it was designed to hang from the belt, the short sword is silver-mounted and has an ivory grip. Stamped on the scabbard is the name of the manufacturer, J. Bailey, Fishkill, N. Y.

The state motto of Texas is "Friendship." The name "Texas" stemmed from the Spanish pronunciation of a Caddo Indian word meaning "friends."

Add Cream of Tartar For Creamy Fudge

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — Use cream of tartar or corn syrup to assure creamy fudge during holiday candy-making.

Geraldine Acker of the University of Illinois recommends 1-16 teaspoon of sugar used in the recipe. The tartar or syrup helps change the sugar to "invert sugar," which doesn't crystallize easily.

Be sure the sugar is dissolved before the mixture starts boiling. Cook moderately slow. The pan should be covered during the first few minutes of boiling.

Pail Business Is No Pale Business

CLEVELAND, O. — If you've got an old pail or bucket, Ben Padwa can use it.

In fact, his business is the renovation of used metal containers, whether they held tar, chocolate syrup, ink, soap, paint, or what have you.

The 36-year-old former motion picture film booker, found shortly after World War II ended that dozens of firms using pails of all sorts toss them out when the containers are empty, largely because it's too expensive to clean them without special equipment.

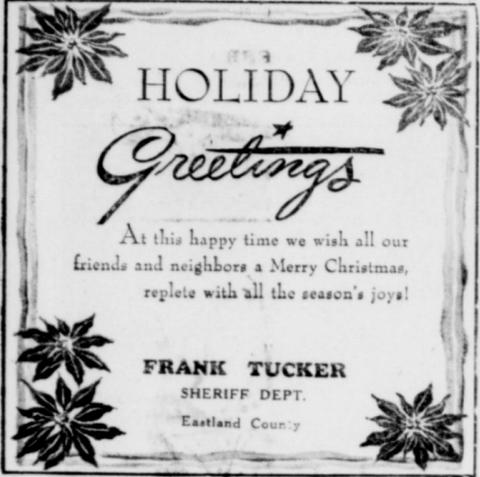
Also, he learned that dozens of companies and individuals — machine shops, foundries, greenhouses and riveters, to name a few — needed pails of all sorts which are expensive if bought new.

So, Padwa got the equipment needed to clean and straighten pails and started out about three years ago.

Now he has six employees, occupies 18,000 square feet of space and expects to renovate 150,000 pails of all sorts this year.

There are 35 nations which are not members of the United Nations.

The Quartermaster Corps bought more than 42,000,000 pounds of GI soap for the U. S. Army during the past year. Price per one-pound bar on a recent procurement order was slightly more than seven tenths of one cent.



HOLIDAY Greetings

At this happy time we wish all our friends and neighbors a Merry Christmas, replete with all the season's joys!

FRANK TUCKER
SHERIFF DEPT.
Eastland County



A Roundup of Christmas Wishes to All Our Friends

WHEN IT'S LUMBER PHONE OUR NUMBER

HANNA'S

Hardware - Building Material - Lumber

Home Owned Eastland We Deliver
203 N. Seaman Phone 70



Merry Christmas

CARL AND RAE JOHNSON
DRY GOODS



Joyous Greetings

May every heart at your house be filled with good cheer and happiness this Christmas.

Scott Paint & Body Works
Tel. 977 Eastland



Greetings OF THE Season TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

City Garage
And Employees
103 White St.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

May this Christmas bring to you in rich abundance all the good things in life—and may they remain with you throughout the New Year.

Closed All Day Christmas Day
DAVIS DRUG
DOC & SIBYL

Best wishes for Christmas and the New Year



MODERN DRY CLEANERS
209 South Seaman Phone 132

★

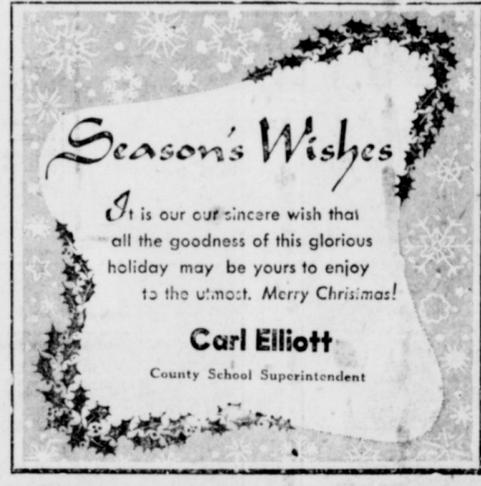
J. B. JOHNSON	MARGARET JOHNSON
JACK COLLINS	LILLIAN COLLINS
SAM H. JOHNSON	ABBIE DELL JOHNSON
HAROLD SHOCKLEY	VIOLA BASHAM
HERRELL MAXWELL	VERA STROTHER
TRACY HARWELL	ZONA BUFORD



A Merry Christmas

This greeting goes to all our friends, With a special note of cheer — "We wish you joy on Christmas Day and happiness throughout the year."

POOL'S DRY CLEANERS
207 S. Lamar Phone 47



Season's Wishes

It is our sincere wish that all the goodness of this glorious holiday may be yours to enjoy to the utmost. Merry Christmas!

Carl Elliott
County School Superintendent



Greetings for

To all our friends we wish a Christmas that is a merry one in every way and a New Year that will be happy every day.

Rushing Motor Co.
DESOTO - PLYMOUTH
211 So. Seaman Phone 313

JOYFUL Holiday Greetings



In the warm and cheerful atmosphere of this wonderful Christmas season when families are gathered together — when spirits are refreshed, hearts uplifted and all the world is suddenly full of smiling people — we want to offer to one and all our very best wishes for the happiest holiday you've ever enjoyed.

MUIRHEAD MOTOR CO.
BUICK - PONTIAC DEALER
Eastland

Down On The Farm—
 . . . there is no such thing as partial loss. When the fire is over everything is gone except the ashes and if you are insured we pay for them. Now is a good time of the year to check up on your insurance—the house, furniture, barn, tools, feed and other valuables. This Agency, organized in 1924, represents only old line stock companies—no Mutuals—and is well equipped to serve you right here at home. Give us a ring, an office call or write.

If it's Insurance, we write it!

EARL BENDER & COMPANY
 Eastland (Insurance since 1924) Texas



Greetings for CHRISTMAS

We'll go along with Santa in wishing a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All.

HARP BROTHERS
 LUMBER - CABINET SHOP
 Phone 999

Yukon Cave May Hold Important Pre-historic Data

By HENRY CURTIS
 United Press Staff Correspondent
 FAIRBANKS, Alaska—A rich record of prehistoric life in Arctic North America may be uncovered in a remote cavern in the Yukon next summer.

The huge cave, something of a rarity in the Arctic Northwest, was found this year by Prof. Otto W. Geist of the University of Alaska. He hopes to find in it the remains of Alaskan and Yukon residents of as long ago as 48,000 B.C. These prehistoric occupants of the far north included the mastodon, the huge giant beaver, the Arctotherium (cave bear) and the monstrous Fairbanks lion.

Geist even voices a wistful hope that he may find the remains of a man who lived among the ancient wild animals when he goes back next summer. So far the oldest Alaskan to leave his bones where they could be found was a mere 2,000-year-old modern man.

Geist himself discovered these bones, but he's sure the Arctic Northwest attracted prehistoric man. To him, his cave seems the best place to look for more-ancient human traces.

The professor found his cave after investigating rumors of its existence. He was led to the mouth of the cavern by a 70-year-old Indian, John Nukon, who helped kill two grizzly bears inside the cavern in 1900.

The cave is in the headwaters country of the Porcupine River, about 100 miles north of the village of Old Crow in the Yukon. Geist says the cave has three chambers extending 600 feet into a mountain.

Geist is no newcomer to the Porcupine River country. He worked his way up the Old Crow River last year and this summer, finding prehistoric traces all the way.

"Mammoth material is strewn all over the area," he says. "Every bar on the river furnished bones."

When old Nukon led the scientist to the cave this past summer, Geist found a thick layer of ice covering the cavern floor. Ice stalagmites reach as high as six feet toward the ceiling.

The professor could see saplings resting on the cave floor beneath the clear ice, and Nukon identified them as sticks used by his hunting party to retrieve their grizzlies from the cave.

Geist reasons that an earthquake since 1900 opened air passages in the cave ceiling, letting



Greetings

May your Holiday season be enriched with the blessings that belong to Christmas.

STANLEY WEBB
 Tax Assessor - Collector



GREETINGS

May the season's joys follow you throughout a happy New Year.

Wilson's Variety Store
 803 W. Valley Phone 310-M



GREETINGS

May we add our very good wishes to the hosts of sparkling greetings fondly given and gladly accepted during this, the joyous Holiday Season of Good Will to All.

Howell and Rogers Gro.
 111 White Street Phone 178



Hi!

To all our friends and neighbors, we extend our heartiest good wishes for a merry Holiday Season and a bountiful year to come.

HAIL TYPEWRITER
 803 W. Valley Phone 310-M



GREETINGS

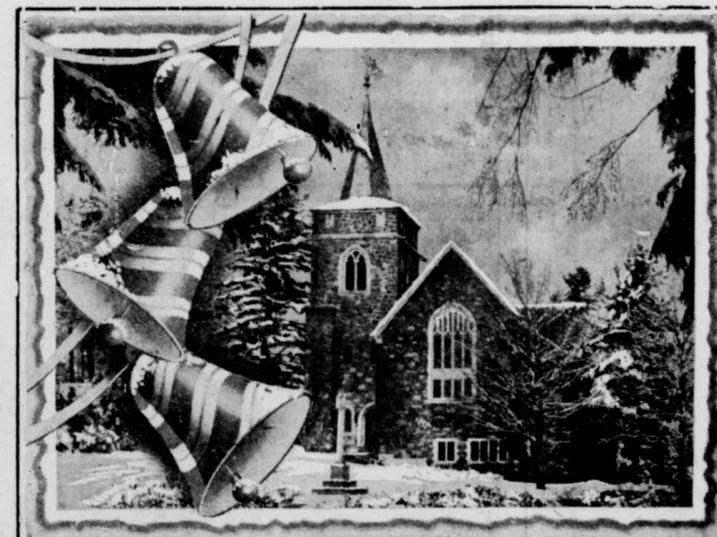
Along with our warm Christmas Greetings we send to you and those dear to you every good wish for a joyous season filled with good health, good cheer, and contentment. And may your Holiday happiness extend throughout the New Year.

WILSON FEED AND SEED
 204 North Seaman Phone 175

THE



WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY CHRISTMAS DAY DECEMBER 25TH




Merry Christmas!

To everyone at Christmas time comes the joy of giving and receiving. It is our pleasure now to offer our sincerest wishes for a very cheerful Holiday to all our friends.

Season's Greetings

TINKLING BELLS, holly wreaths, winter scenes with evergreens; logs on hearth, candles bright, little faces beam delight... these, to us, are all warm reminders that a very special time is here... so a very special wish is due... May this Holiday Season bring you abounding stores of good cheer, peace and happiness.

HOLLYWOOD - MAXWELL COMPANY
 Three Plants in Eastland
 Headquarters Office - Hollywood, Calif.



May the old fashioned Christmas spirit of peace and joy embrace your home this glorious holiday season. And may the richest gifts—health, happiness and good will come to you and your dear ones.

Greetings of the SEASON

SIG FAIRCLOTH LIVESTOCK COMMISSION COMPANY AND EMPLOYEES
 Highway 80 East Sale Day Every Tuesday

First Christmas Cards Ridiculed But Now They Are Yule Tradition

Christmas cards are so much a part of our Yule-tide observance that it is difficult to imagine a holiday season without them.

Yet the custom of sending these greetings is little more than 100 years old.

The practice originated in England in 1846. It was suggested by Sir Henry Cole to Joseph Cundall, a London artist, who had a drawing made and lithographed in

black and white. About 1000 copies were produced and colored by hand. They sold for a shilling each.

Just as folks laughed at the Wright Brothers when they first tried to fly an airplane, and at other new ideas the first card was ridiculed. It also was criticized, on the grounds that it encouraged drinking.

The main scene showed a home-

ly family party of three generations. The principals were toasting, with red wine, the health of the "absent friend" — the addressee. The side panels represented the traditional Christmas charities. On one, the poor were being fed. On the other, they were being given clothing.

It was not until about 18 years after the first card made its appearance that the custom became popular. Drawing costs for designs delayed wide use. Artists received large sums because mechanical methods of reproduction had not been developed on a large scale. But when the nobility adopted

the custom, employing distinguished artists to paint appropriate cards, the industry boomed in England. Etchings, both plain and tinted, became popular overnight. Other countries notably Germany and Austria, began to import cards.

The Christmas card was introduced in America by Marcus Ward and Co. of London in the late seventies. The firm had a monopoly for a time. Then a Boston engraving firm began to compete.

The competitive spirit in America took a form so popular to day—the contest.

In the spring of 1880, the lithographic firm founded by Louis Prang offered prizes for the best designs. (Writing greeting messages and creating such designs still is a lucrative business for free lancees.)

Nearly 600 persons submitted entries. Cards flooded the American market about a month before Christmas. Now, stores start taking orders in July. For, over the years, senders have turned to cards styled to individual tastes.

Quail Wing Sift Vital

AUSTIN — The coming quail harvest in Texas promises lean shooting generally but the Director of Wildlife Restoration for the Game and Fish Commission hopes for an improved proportional return on quail wings for research.

This program, he said, has been marked by increased cooperation by hunters in recent years. This fall it becomes more important than ever because of efforts to scientifically appraise quail population variations.

The quail season under the General Law runs from December 1 through January 16 but there are special seasons in several areas.

The Director of Wildlife Restoration asked hunters in areas where quail stocks permit some harvest to write the Commission headquarters in Austin for special containers for quail wings, as well as general instructions.

Treatment Helps Calves Survive

CHICAGO — A discovery by veterinary scientists to help control one of the most serious disease threats to new-born calves is reported in the Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association.

The report said that a combination of dried cattle serum, vitamin K and pre-digested milk solids has proved effective in controlling scour, which kills many new-born calves.



Greetings

No Christmas would be complete for us without an expression of the warm feeling that we have for our many loyal and appreciative friends. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

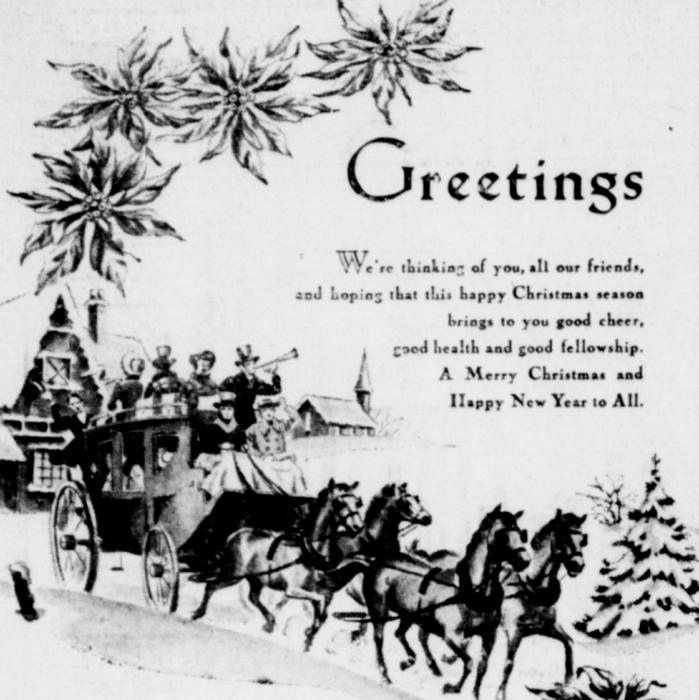
REEVES TEXACO STATION
503 West Main St.
Eastland, Texas
A. P. Reeves & Jack Chick



MERRY CHRISTMAS

As an expression of our thanks and good will, we extend the Season's Greetings to all our many friends.

Eastland Steam Laundry
Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Lasater P.U. 584



Greetings

We're thinking of you, all our friends, and hoping that this happy Christmas season brings to you good cheer, good health and good fellowship.

A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to All.

R. M. SNEED CONTRACTOR
Eastland, Texas



Appliances - Sales & Service
Plumbing & Elect.

CISCO
Appliance Co.
Cisco, Texas
Phone 414



Christmastide

May you experience the glorious feeling of peace and brotherly love... this Holiday Season.

JOHNSON SMITH
COUNTY CLERK



Season's Greetings

May the "Peace that passeth all understanding" enter into your heart at Christmas. In the spirit of Him, whose Natal Day we celebrate, may you find the hope, faith and courage to hold steadfast to the bright promise of a world in which peace and good will shall reign forevermore.

EASTLAND MEDICAL & SURGICAL CLINIC
404 West Commerce Street - Phone 301

M. A. TREADWELL, M. D. W. D. BARROW, M. D. J. H. CATON, M. D.



Best Wishes for Christmas

When the wise men followed the guiding star from out of the East... they found a beautiful and awesome sight at the end of their journey...

May the spirit of the first Christmas brighten your home with its joy and lighten your heart with its promise of "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men"

Willy - Willys Furniture Mart
"Lower Overhead Means Lower Prices"
Eastland—305-7 S. Seaman—Phone 585

W. E. Brashier W. G. Smith

Merry Christmas

At Christmas time,
And all the year through,
Good health, good friends,
And good luck to you.

CUB CAFE
John and Peggy Terrell
and Employees

U. S. Warned 100 Years Ago About Russia In China

There was an American in China 100 years ago who predicted the events of today.

He warned of Russia's aims and ambitions in the area. It was all written down—but forgotten or ignored when Russian-supported Mao Tse-tung and his "agrarian reformers" were coming into power, according to Earnest Hobericht, United Press Staff Correspondent.

That American of long ago was the U. S. Commissioner in Shanghai, Humphrey Marshall. He was fourth choice for the job that nobody wanted. A West Point graduate, he served two years in Congress.

Marshall arrived in China in January, 1853. He found things in quite a fluid state. It was the time of the Taiping revolt and all of the major foreign powers were faced with problems in connection with their China policies.

According to history, Marshall thought the British were trying to cast their lot with the Taiping rebels in hope of being on the winning side and benefiting thereby.

He heard the ruling authorities of China, the Manchus, were being approached by Russia. The czar was offering to aid the Manchus in return for certain favors.

So, 100 years ago, Marshall wrote the U. S. Secretary of State. He expressed his fears bluntly and predicted what would happen if proper steps were not taken.

Marshall said Russia's "assistance would probably end in passing China under a Russian protectorate, and in the extension of Russian limits to the Hoangho, or the mouth of the Yangtze."

"The interference of the czar would readily suppress the rebellion, by driving the rebels from the great highways of commerce, and from the occupation of the towns on the seaboard," he added. "Whatever might be the ultimate compensation demanded by Russia for this timely service, China could not resist its collection."

"I think that almost any sacrifice should be made by the United States to keep Russia from spreading her Pacific boundary, and to avoid her coming directly to interference in Chinese domestic affairs; for China is like a lamb before the shearers, as easy a conquest as were the provinces of India."

Marshall pointed out that if Russia got control of China, "the

fate of Asia will be sealed, and the future Chinese relations with the United States may be considered as closed for ages, unless now the United States shall ion the upward result by adopting a sound policy.

"It is my opinion that the highest interests of the United States are involved in sustaining China . . ."

Geraldine Fitch doesn't mention Marshall in her new book, "Formosa Beachhead," but she writes as though she had his 100-year-old warning in mind. She says: "Many of America's problems in Asia result from failure to read history books and documents which clearly show Russia's aims."

"Nothing is clearer than Russia's determination to conquer China completely, as the primary requisite to world conquest," she writes. "That is the basic pattern."

"Nude Look" At Women's Clothing Is Assailed

The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Melbourne, Australia, Cardinal Mannix, attacked the "nudity" of women's clothing recently and said some garments looked as though they had been "sprayed on."

He told the National Catholic Girls' Movement conference that nothing indicated the paganism of the present day more than the "dreadful immodesty" of girls' dresses. He said some magazines and comic papers seemed to be doing their best to degrade womanhood.

"But judging from the picture they use, nudity seems to be women's aim," he said.

"Nudity is not too strong a word. The garments worn in the picture seem to be just sprayed on—no more."

Prussia does not exist today as a geographic or political entity. But during a span of 500 years 29 generations of Hohenzollerns built and ruled Prussia. They consolidated the German kingdoms intrigued against the Hapsburgs, Bourbons, Bonapartes, Russian czars, marched armies across Europe, and made the name "Prussia" synonymous with militarism.

For **MONUMENTS**
Of Distinction
call
MRS. ED AYCOCK
Our years of experience enable us to give you prompt and courteous service.
See display at 206 Ave. E. or call 188 for appointment
Cisco

MERRY Christmas

We greet our friends at this happy time and wish them well, now and always.

JOHNIE JONES
GULF SERVICE STATION
Corner Bassett & Main St.

Holiday Greetings

It is our sincere wish that your Holiday Season be enriched with all the blessings that belong to Christmas . . . that you find every happiness in the New Year ahead.

CONNELLEE COFFEE SHOP
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jones
and Employees

Greetings

It is our pleasure once again to say Merry Christmas to all our friends and neighbors.

BROWN SANATORIUM
Dr. N. A. Brown, D. C., Owner Cisco, Texas

A NEW DRINK
FLAVOR DERIVED FROM **REAL ORANGES**

BOTTLED BY AN OLD COMPANY
SEVEN-UP BOTTLING CO.

GREETINGS

The loyalty of our many friends gives to us added confidence and much promise for the future. We wish a Joyful Christmas and Successful New Year to all.

Higginbotham - Bartlett Co.
EASTLAND, TEXAS
Phone 112 301 West Main St.

"Hark! the herald angels sing..."

THIS CHRISTMAS, as we rejoice in the commemoration of the birth of our Lord, let us remember the good his teachings have brought to all mankind.

MAY OUR HEARTS be open this Christmastide to His message that by the power of God's love alone can we be inspired to great deeds and wise action.

BRAZDA CLINIC
Ranger, Texas

Season's Greetings

Just this holiday season be the brightest and happiest ever is our heartfelt wish for all our friends and neighbors.

Bunn's Texaco Sta.
410 West Main Eastland, Texas

GREETINGS OF THE Season
AND BEST WISHES FOR THE **New Year**

The S. L. (Leon) Bovrland Family

CHRISTMAS CHEER

Age-old, yet ever new, the true spirit of Christmas brings good cheer to every heart, new sparkle to every eye. May you and your loved ones experience, in fullest measure, all the joys of the season, and may its happiness spread its glow throughout the New Year.

CISCO JUNIOR COLLEGE
Cisco, Texas

Season's Greetings
AND ALL GOOD WISHES
FOR THE
New Year



WILKIN'S JEWELRY
East Side of Square Eastland

First Gum Was Not For Pleasure

MOUNT VERNON, O.— This town claims the man who first patented chewing gum.

He was a surgeon-dentist and his name was William Finley Semple. His patent was dated Dec. 28, 1869.

Though the first to patent chewing gum, Semple wasn't the first to produce it commercially. The pioneers were the Curtis Brothers of Bangor, Me.

Dr. Semple concocted his gum as something of a dentifrice and not just as a popular chew.

C. Y. Semple, son of the dentist, recalled on a visit here recently from his present home in Baxter Springs, Kan., that the gum "was red in color, a rather rubbery substance, put up in sheets about the size of letter paper, perforated in squares about an inch in size."

"The squares were probably a little more than twice the thickness of the present sticks of gum," he added. "They had little—but very little—flavor and really afforded a lot of chewing."

A granddaughter, Mrs. Dick Austin of Oklahoma City, Okla., first wanted his gum, then decided to offer the explanation for the

SOME BLOOD PRESSURE SURGERY SUCCESSFUL

CHICAGO — Surgery is preferable to medical treatment in some severe cases of high blood pressure, according to a report in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

A report by Dr. Reginald H. Smithwick, professor of surgery in the Boston University School of Medicine, and his associate, Dr. Jesse E. Thompson, showed that, at the end of five years, 81 per cent of 1,266 patients who had undergone surgery were still alive, while only 46 per cent of 467 patients who had chosen medical therapy had survived.

Smithwick about 15 years ago developed a radical operative technique to reduce high blood pressure. It consists of removing large portions of splanchnic nerves which serve various organs within the abdominal cavity.

chewy, practically tasteless gum.

"The gum grandfather patented," she said, "was for dental purposes only. He, being a dentist, did not approve of sweets."

Mrs. Austin also said her grandfather missed out on a \$20,000 offer from a manufacturer who at Austin of Oklahoma City, Okla., first wanted his gum, then decided to offer the explanation for the

Enrollment in Colleges Show Slight Increase

CINCINNATI — The trend of full-time students in U. S. universities and four-year colleges turned slightly upward this fall after five years of decreasing enrollments.

Dr. Raymond Walters, University of Cincinnati president and an authority on collegiate enrollment movements, reported this on the basis of estimates received from 506 approved institutions.

"The estimated increase of a few percentage points in full-time totals is a consequence of larger freshman classes," Dr. Walters commented. "The total of new students now exceeds that of a year ago just as, in turn, 1952 freshmen had topped the 1951 figure."

"Registrars of both publicly and privately supported institutions typically report 'small increase' and 'no considerable proportion' in response to our inquiry as to full-time students under the Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952."

He pointed out that many Korean veterans, "chose rather to take well-paid jobs in industry and business so freely available."

"A considerable proportion of the GI's who followed through their original applications to the Veterans Administration are engaged in part-time study at urban universities, thus receiving up to \$50 per month educational entitlement while holding regular jobs."

The Cincinnati president believes abundance of jobs may be a factor in small decreases in full-time enrollments this fall as compared with last which are reported in universities in certain cities from East to West, most of them among what Dr. Walters terms the "Big 25."

Of all institutions reporting, 50 per cent showed increases, 27 per cent no change, and 23 per cent decreases in estimated full-time enrollments.

Among public universities, 67 per cent reported gains ranging up to 14 per cent, 25 per cent no change, and 8 per cent decreases up to 7 per cent.

Among private universities, 81 per cent showed gains up to 7 per cent, 14 per cent up to 14 per cent, and 5 per cent no change, and 24 per cent decreases up to 14 per cent.

Among technological institutions, 47 per cent showed gains up to 14 per cent, 25 per cent no change, and 28 per cent decreases up to 14 per cent.

Among teachers' colleges, 59 per cent showed gains up to 24 per cent, 21 per cent no change, and 20 per cent decreases up to 14 per cent.



Greetings

May Christmas and the New Year hold for you the blessings of health, happiness and prosperity...

Western Auto Associate Store
Herbert Ekrot, Owner Eastland

Noel



For now... for always... Joy to our friends and neighbors, Peace to our nation, Good Will to all.

Heads Repair
Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Head
1011 W. Main



Season's Greetings AND BEST WISHES TO ALL

CROWELL LUMBER CO.
722 W. Main Phone 300

Season's Greetings

May this greeting serve to carry to all our friends our wish that their Christmas may be a merry one and the New Year hold a full measure of happiness.

TALLEY'S BARBER SHOP
Olden, Texas



Happy Holidays

May your Christmas be Merry and your New Year prosperous.

King Motor Co.
100 East Main Phone 42



It's Christmas!

FOR NOW...FOR ALWAYS... may the joys of this Holiday Season surround you and yours, and may you dwell amid the blessings of peace, health goodwill and happiness...

Throughout The New Year
Mr. & Mrs. John S. Hart

Greetings

Play the joys of the Season and all its friendly cheer brighten your home at Christmas and abide with you all through the year... This is our warm Holiday wish for you and yours.



Season's Greetings LINKENHOGER & SON
Pat and Link

Greetings

Once more, with the approach of Christmas, we take time out to express to all our friends and patrons our deep appreciation for the confidence placed in us and for the loyalty shown us throughout the past year.

It is our sincerest wish that your Holiday be filled with a glad spirit and good health.



EASTLAND NATIONAL BANK
WALTER MURRAY, President

Guy Parker, Vice President
Emory Bradford, Asst. Cashier
Inez Harrell, Asst. Cashier
Russell Hill, Cashier
Janie Wilson, Asst. Cashier