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Heavy Rains Cause Rail Tunnel Slide

The only remaining railroad tunnel in the state collapsed about midnight Tuesday of last week.

The tunnel is located on the Childress to Lubbock Burlington track in the Quitaque vicinity. It is the last of several Panhandle rail tunnels.

Heavy rains and a dirt slide caused the walls of the tunnel to collapse. Rail freight service between Childress and Lubbock was temporarily interrupted.

Lubbock-bound trains out of Childress were re-routed to Amarillo, and then south over Santa Fe tracks to Plainview, where the trains proceeded to Lubbock on Burlington track.

Likewise, Childress-bound trains out of Lubbock temporarily took the Plainview-Amarillo route to Childress.

Walsh said no trains were hit by the landslide.

Farmers Do Not Have To Comply With Trailer Law

Farmers do not have to comply with a new state law requiring title certification on trailers of 4,000 pounds gross weight or more when the trailers are used for hauling their own farm produce to market.

This remainder was given local farmers this week by L. B. Brandes, president of the Floyd County Farm Bureau, who said many farmers are not aware that the new law exempts carriers of farm produce.

The law, which was passed by the 56th Legislature during its regular session this year, requires issuance of certificates of title on all trailers having in excess of 4,000 pounds and semi-trailers with a gross weight in excess of 4,000 pounds. The Texas Farm Bureau was successful in getting an amendment to the law exempting vehicles used by their owners for transporting their own farm produce to market, the county FA leader explained. He said the exemption does not apply when such products are being transported for hire.

The Farm Bureau president said the local county organization has information on the new law, and others passed by the 56th Legislature in its file copies of the Austin Newsletter, a weekly publication issued by the Texas Farm Bureau legislative department while the Legislature was in session and also in a Legislative Report prepared by the TFB legislative department following the close of the 56th Legislature, regular session.

Game Violators Pay \$9,469.45 In Fines For Month

Austin. — Game law violations from automobiles took top billing during the month of November, according to arrests reported by the director of law enforcement of the Game and Fish Commission.

Twenty-four persons were fined for hunting from automobiles, and another 19 for headlighting game animals, making a total of 43. Hunting without a license brought fines to 40 hunters; killing quail in closed season, netted 18 fines, and exceeding the bag limit on doves brought 15 fines. Another 15 persons paid fines for hunting with unplugged guns. Shotgun used in hunting all migratory birds and game birds in Texas must be plugged to three shots. Many of the repeating shotguns in automobiles carry five shells in the magazine, and must be plugged back to hold only two shells in the magazine and one in the chamber.

There were 279 violations for the month, which brought in fines and court costs of \$9,469.45.

BACK FROM GERMANY

Jimmy Heard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Heard, Lockney, Texas, arrived at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, north of Chicago and hopes to be able to spend Christmas here with his wife, Jan, and his parents. Jimmy has been stationed in Germany for the past 15 months. His wife returned to Lockney November 29 after being with him there 13 months. He is to receive a discharge in January.

Miss Rita Johnson of San Marcos Academy, San Marcos, Texas, arrived Thursday night to spend Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ike Johnson and family. She will return to school January 4.



MR. AND MRS. C. F. REVES

C. F. Reves Celebrate Golden Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Reves were honored by their children Sunday, December 20, with open house at their home on East College Street on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary. A host of friends called during the hours of 2:30 to 5:00 p.m. The Reves have been residents of Lockney for 35 years.

Miss Hattie Knight and Charley Franklin Reves were married December 15, 1909, in Hardeman County and moved immediately to Floyd County where they farmed 12 miles east of Floydada for one year. They moved to Montague County and farmed about six years before moving to Jones County, southeast of Stamford. In 1924 they moved to Lockney and have made this their home since that time.

The four children of the couple were here to act as hosts for the Golden Wedding celebration. They are Mrs. Sam Jones, Providence community, near Lockney; Mrs. A. L. Nigh, Lockney; Walter Reves, Lockney; Mrs. Kenneth Bayley, Aurora, Colorado. The nine grandchildren were also all present and helped with the hospitality.

Guests were greeted by Walter Reves and Mrs. Sam Jones secured names for the register.

Laid with ecru lace over gold, the dining table featured a beautiful arrangement of greenery and gold mums backed by a large gold wedding ring filled in with gold lace. Gold pencil tapers flanking one side, lighted the arrangement and a gold 50 accented the other side. The two-tiered wedding cake leered in white and decorated with gold rose buds was topped with white wedding bells flecked with gold.

The three older granddaughters, Mary, Frances and Louise Jones, served golden punch from a crystal service with cake and salted nuts. The napkins were white with gold wedding bells.

Among the out-of-town guests were W. O. Reves and son, Thad, of Lamesa, a brother and nephew of Mr. Reves; a brother of Mrs. Reves, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Knight of Floydada, and her sister, Mrs. J. E. Easley, Petersburg; Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bayley, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sinclair, all of Plainview.

Approximately 60 guests called.

D. B. MATHIS HOME
D. B. Mathis who underwent major surgery Tuesday of last week at Harris Memorial Hospital, Fort Worth, was returned home last Sunday afternoon. He is reported to be convalescing satisfactorily.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Latimer and children, Donna Jean and Bobby, will spend Christmas at Leonard, Texas, with relatives.

Six Are Called For Induction

Six men have been called for induction into the armed forces on the 12th of January, 1960. They are to report at 10 a.m. to the local board office in Plainview.

Called for induction are: Floyd County — Lynn V. Looney, Harland Dwayne Weaver.

Hale County — Richard Gary Shaver, Mario Ramos, James Edwin McMinn, Herman Wilson Coppock.

The following registrants are ordered to report for physical examination on the same date:

Floyd County — Don L. Williams, Gene C. O. Woody.

Swisher County — Bobby Lee Berry, Richard Gary Foster, William Mason Bivens.

Hale County — Billy Joe Sageser, Winston Russell Totty, Richard Neal Cope, Billy Charles Barnes.

Motley County — Winfred Lee Walker.

Many Stores Will Close For Week End

Many local business houses will close for the week end, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The Beacon was told this week. The coming of Christmas Day on Friday makes the situation ideal for a long week end.

Some places of business will close Thursday at noon.

Both drug stores will be closed Friday and Saturday but Lockney Drug will open on Sunday since this is their Sunday to be open.

The Lockney General Hospital clinic will be closed Friday, but will be open Saturday and closed again Sunday except for emergencies.

The Nichols Medical Group Hospital clinic will close Thursday noon, Friday, Saturday and Sunday but a doctor will be on call.

Grocery stores will be closed Friday but open on Saturday. The Beacon was informed. Also some service stations will be open on Saturday.

The Post Office will be open Saturday but the First National Bank will be closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Utility companies will be closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday as will the City Office.

Beauty shops of the city are observing various closing times during the holidays and most of these are announced in their greeting advertisements in this issue of The Beacon.

The Beacon Office will be closed Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday of this week.

County offices at Floydada will be closed Thursday through Sunday. The Beacon was told this week.

CALLED TO KANSAS
Sam Jones of Providence Community was called to Dodge City, Kansas, last week on account of the serious illness of his brother, Alvin Jones. The local man returned home Saturday night reporting that his brother was improved.

Dan Smith On All-South Plains Squad

Lockney Longhorn griddler Dan Smith has won another honor for his great performance on the football field during the past season.

Smith, a senior, was selected as a first string offensive tackle on the All-South Plains Dream Team which was released by the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal on Tuesday morning. The Dream Team was composed of gridders from Classes AAA, AA, A, and B. First and second offensive and defensive teams were chosen with no boy being placed on both the offensive and defensive unit.

Among the numerous honors showered on Dan are: the only player named unanimously on both offense and defense All-District 2-AA this season, first team offense on the All-Regional Class AA team, All-District both ways as a junior. Smith is a candidate for All-State.

The 5'11", 200 pound Longhorn captain has been named mainly as an offensive man on area honor squads, but was greatest as a linebacker on defense. Dan averaged over 17 tackles per game and was credited with a fantastic 26 tackles against the tough Dimmitt Bobcats. He made over 20 tackles in four contests and cleared the way for 10 touchdowns for the low-scoring Horn eleven.

Given honorable mention on the squad were Lockney end Oyama Buchanan and back Terry Clark; both seniors. Buchanan was chosen to both offensive and defensive All-District eleven. Clark was first team All-District as a defensive back.

Floydada mighty Whirlwinds placed three men on the area squad, more than any other school. Members of the Floydada aggregation receiving honors were defensive guard Bill Gilliland, offensive tackle Danny Shipley, offensive back Don Vickers.

Other gridders who faced the Big Red this season and were placed on the All-South Plains squad were linebacker Billy Edwards of Rails, offensive end Hal Ratcliff of Dimmitt, defensive end Robert Priest of Olton (only a junior).

Selected on the second teams were offensive guard Tommy Wilson of Olton, offensive back Darrell Oliver of Muleshoe, defensive guard Jack Ragland of Dimmitt, linebacker Junior Coffey of Dimmitt (another junior).

Rap Hopkins of Sundown, state finalist in Class A, was selected as coach of the All-South Plains Dream Team. Don Orr of Denver City was runner-up.

Pageant-Parade Is Cancelled Due To Bad Weather

Bad weather brought about the cancellation of the annual pageant-parade depicting the life of Christ, scheduled here last Friday afternoon. Rain had fallen for several days prior to the set time and churches of the area did not have time or opportunity to prepare their floats, according to Rev. Temple Lewis, chairman of the committee.

It is hoped that the affair can be held again next Christmas.

RECOVERING
Mrs. N. E. Greer left Sunday for Gorman, Texas, where she is visiting her son, Doyle Greer, who has been in a Gorman hospital. Word was received Monday by Dr. Wayne Greer, his brother, that Doyle is now at home and improving.

TO MEXICO CITY
Mr. and Mrs. Arvie Newton will spend about two weeks immediately after Christmas on a vacation trip to Mexico City.

HOME FOR HOLIDAYS
A 3-c Clifton Williams, who is stationed at Stewart Air Force Base, New York, is home for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Fowler and Frances will have as guests for Christmas, Mrs. Fowler's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Golden of Bowie.

Special Quail Season Set For Matador Ranch

Austin. — Quail hunters will get a crack at a newly acquired state ranch near Paducah for seven days of shooting, the State Game and Fish Commission said Saturday.

A special quail season for the Matador Ranch, 11 miles northwest of Paducah, will be thrown open Dec. 26-27 and Jan. 2, 3, 9, 10 and 16. The commission secured the 25,000 acre ranch in Cottle County as a wildlife management area.

Ten pairs of hunters will be permitted to shoot on the ranch each day. A limit of 15 quails per hunter will be enforced. The commission said hunters may establish reservations by phoning Davis 3-4079 in Canadian, Tex.

Hunters were advised that dogs would provide an advantage in the high grass ranch. A good supply of quail was reported.

The commission secured title papers to the ranch last week.

Floydada Man Dies In Crash

Lloyd Audell Pate, 48-year-old Floydada man, died when his pick-up swerved out of control, overturned and pinned him in a water-filled roadside ditch early Saturday morning. The pick-up hit a concrete irrigation sump, causing it to overturn. Pate was pinned beneath the water. The coroner's verdict was death by drowning.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. Monday at the First Baptist Church in Floydada conducted by Rev. Haywood Kube, pastor of McCoy Baptist Church. Burial was in Floyd County Memorial Park.

Pate had started early Saturday morning to join a relative on a deer hunt. He was alone at the time of the accident. The body was found about 7 a.m. The accident happened near the Beeton Community in the extreme northeastern part of Lubbock County.

Survivors include his wife; three daughters, Mrs. Roger Poage and Miss Verna Pate of Floydada, and Mrs. Harlan Weaver, Lubbock; one young son of the home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Pate, McCoy; two sisters, Mrs. Furman Shipman of Abernathy and Mrs. Raymond Boliver, Lake Dallas.

Durham's Brother Dies At Jacksboro

M. C. Durham, 72, brother of E. C. Durham of Lockney, died at a Jacksboro Hospital Tuesday afternoon of last week. His death was due to a heart ailment.

Funeral services were held at a Jacksboro Funeral Chapel Thursday. Attending from this area were Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Durham of Lockney, and Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Durham of Plainview. Burial was at Winn Hill.

Survivors include the wife, one daughter, the brother here, three sisters and one granddaughter.

Class Of 1955 To Have Reunion

The 1955 class of Lockney High School will hold a reunion Thursday night, Dec. 31, at the High School cafeteria. The event is scheduled to begin at 8 o'clock.

A large number of class members, teachers, parents and other school friends are expected to attend the party. Anyone interested is invited. Refreshments will be served.

TO OHIO
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Parrish left Amarillo via train last Wednesday for Columbus, Ohio, where they will spend Christmas holidays with their son, Wilkie Parrish and family. They expect to be home the first of the year.

PERKINS GUESTS
Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perkins for Christmas will be their son, Terry Perkins, wife and baby daughter of Mid-D. J. Jobe and her husband, of Brownwood, and her brother, R. B. Terry and wife of Albuquerque, N. M.



MARY MILES

Revival Begins At Assembly Here On January 3rd

Mary Miles of Snyder, Texas, will preach in a revival meeting beginning here on Sunday, January 3rd, at the Assembly of God Church, according to the pastor, Rev. Joe Stone.

Services will be held at 7:30 p.m. each weekday night and at 7 p.m. on Sundays. Special singing will also be presented during the meeting.

Everyone has a special invitation to attend the meetings, Rev. Stone said.

Basketball Teams Off For Holidays

Local basketball teams take time off for the Christmas holidays before returning to the court against Slaton teams there next Tuesday night. Lockney teams will return home January 1 for games with the Tullia squads.

Last weekend the Longhorns and Longhornettes were entered in the Tullia Invitational Tournament. The Lockney boys brought home the consolation trophy from the meet.

In the opening round Friday morning the Longhorns took a setback at the hands of the Canyon Eagles. The Eagles had romped over Lockney in an earlier contest, but this game was close in their second tilt, played Friday night, the Horns downed the Olton Mustangs to move into the consolation finals. Saturday afternoon the final boys came out on the long end of a battle with Nazareth for the consolation title.

The Longhornettes also lost their first round battle against Canyon Friday morning. They stayed in the meet with a win over Olton Friday afternoon and moved into the consolation finals against Kress Saturday. The Kress girls defeated the Longhornettes in a thriller.

Jay Edd Parsons Is Recuperating

Jay Edd Parsons is reported recuperating satisfactorily at Veteran's Hospital, Big Spring, Texas, where he underwent lung surgery Tuesday, Dec. 15. In a telephone conversation to friends here recently Jay Edd stated he was very weak but all the tubes had been removed and he feels as if the operation was successful. He doesn't know when he will be able to return home.

Those who wish to send cards and letters may address Jay Edd at Veterans Hospital, Big Spring.

MONEY FOR HEWITTS MAY BE LEFT WITH RAYMOND PARKER
Because several have expressed a desire to give money to the Hewitt family here, Raymond Parker at Parker's Super Market has agreed to take the money and pass it on to the family. Anyone wishing to give their money at this time may do so by seeing Mr. Parker.

HOME FOR CHRISTMAS
A 2-c Jerry Workman and family are here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Workman, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Boone of Sterley, and other relatives. They are stationed at Wadena Air Force Station at Wadena, Minn. They will be here two weeks. Mrs. Workman is the former Eldora Boone.

HERE FROM DENVER
Mr. and Mrs. Dene Clark of Denver, Colo., are expected to arrive Wednesday or Thursday of this week to spend Christmas with their parents here and at Floydada. Mrs. Clark is the former Joan Harris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Harris.

Much Loot Is Found Saturday By Farmers

Two Hale County farmers gave sheriffs in three counties a big lift in clearing up recent burglaries in area towns when they found loot worth several hundred dollars, among it 14 pistols and two rifles, in a vacant house five miles northwest of Plainview Saturday afternoon.

Floyd County Sheriff Walter Hollums identified the guns as lost stolen Friday night from Roberts Hardware, Floydada.

In custody was a 14-year-old Latin American boy who ran from the premises of the vacant house when Charlie Henderson and Henry Dasser, farmers residing near the vacant house, went to investigate an automobile that drove up.

Henderson and Dasser said they saw an automobile drive up to the house which is on the Dr. McKinley Howell farm. The two men went to investigate. Henderson said when they reached the house they saw two Latin American men at the car who said they had stopped to check a tire.

Henderson said he tried the front door of the house. "It was not locked and I knew I had locked it," he said. He went into the house, looked in a closet and saw some of the loot.

Outside Dasser saw a youth, later identified as John Rodriguez, 14, Plainview, hiding in weeds. Dasser said when he approached the boy "he took off like a rabbit." In the meantime the other two had driven off in their car. They were being sought.

Henderson and Dasser notified the sheriff's office immediately. Sheriff Andrews and deputies went to the scene. Making a quick appraisal of the loot, they began looking for the youth who had run from the scene.

At the spot where the boy had been attempting to hide in the weeds the officers found guns wrapped in a blanket. Inquiry among people in the vicinity gave the officers a lead on his whereabouts and they found him hiding in a bar ditch about one mile south of where Henderson and Dasser flushed him out.

Charged in both Hale and Floyd Counties with burglary are:

Pete Lopez, age 17; Juan Rodriguez, age 14, and Lucio Ramos, age 12 years.

Sixteen guns stolen from the Roberts Hardware have all been recovered, according to Floyd County Sheriff Walter Hollums. Several knives also stolen were recovered. The burglary was committed last Saturday night.

Glass Damaged
Sheriff Hollums said this week that vandals had done several hundred dollars in damage to plate glass windows in Floydada business district Thursday night.

The glass was shot with BB guns and in one business house four out of five sections of the windows in the store front were damaged.

Donald Allison Return From Hawaii

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Allison are expected to arrive in Lockney Christmas Eve from Honolulu, Hawaii where he has been stationed the past seven months with the U. S. Army. He has received his discharge and his plans for the future are indefinite.

The Allison will accompany his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Allison and Dianna to Oklahoma City for a four-day Christmas holiday. Also making the trip will be Miss Joy Rowell, Plainview, a house guest of Dianna. The O. C. Allison's other daughter, Mrs. Marion Cross, her husband and children, a son, Ricky and daughter, Kellie Lee of Lubbock, will spend Christmas Eve with the family.

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EDITORIAL

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulders, and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.—Isaiah 9:6.

CONGRATULATIONS to all the Lockney residents who have decorated their homes with Christmas lights and Christmas scenes. They are all very beautiful and some have gone to considerable work and expense to make their homes exceptionally attractive at this time. All these have added very much to the Christmas season here and have been enjoyed by many of their neighbors and friends as well as the decorator. We believe that Lockney has more lighted and decorated homes than any other city we have seen in proportion to population. We're proud of it. We hope that next year we can again have a home lighting contest and that the business district will be lighted and decorated better. If we all are willing to work and co-operate we can have the most attractive city on the Plains.

THE BEACON force would like to join with all the other business and professional people of the area in extending greetings and best wishes for a Merry Christmas to all. The people of this community, business people and others, have been mighty nice to us during the year and we appreciate it. The only way we know to repay you is to try to do a better job of serving the community in the New Year. Thanks to all and a Merry Christmas.

WHILE SPEAKING of greetings, our readers will find many very fine greeting and expressions of thanks from the

business people of the area in this issue of The Beacon. The advertisers have, for the most part, selected these with care so that they express their real feelings to you. We know that you will appreciate these expressions.

POSTMASTER GENERAL Summerfield told a Senate subcommittee of the obscenity in the mails problem. According to him, as many as 1 million children—one out of every 35 children of school age—will receive "pornographic filth" in the family mailbox" this year. In the 1959 fiscal year, his department received more than 70,000 complaints, mostly from parents, as against 50,000 a year earlier. He says that tighter laws are needed.

TWO ATOMIC powered submarines capable of firing the Polaris missile from sub or surfaced positions have been launched—the George Washington and the Patrick Henry.

EDITOR & PUBLISHER reports that Chevrolet will advertise in 7,100 daily and weekly newspapers during the coming year. This, it observes, "reveals a renewed faith in newspaper advertising on the part of automobile manufacturers."

FOLLOWING THE Khrushchev visit, Dr. George Gallup conducted a poll to find out whether the public thought the event good or bad. Results: 52 per cent said good; 19 per cent said bad; 29 per cent were neutral or had no opinion.

THE MORGAN Guaranty Trust Company of New York reports that installment credit rose by \$2 billion during the first half of the year. An advance at least as great during the second half would not be surprising.

AMERICAN BUSINESS companies, acting through their executives and other employees, should take an active part in the political and governmental process, in the opinion of a majority of 198 manufacturing executives participating in a survey conducted by the National Industrial Conference Board.

"BE IT EVER so humble, there's no cooking like home cooking." That, says the Red Cross, is the word from American servicemen queried about their "druthers" on Christmas presents from home this year. Cookies, fruit cake and other homemade edibles topped the most wanted list by a wide margin. Christmas parcels should be mailed between Nov. 1 and 20 for delivery by surface mail to servicemen overseas, and by Dec. 10 for air mail delivery.

A MAJOR manufacturing company reports that in 1953 a certain pump cost \$244.96 to make in its American plant and \$148.96 in its foreign plant. In 1958, it cost \$348.55 to make the same pump in the American plant, due to inflation and wage increases—while the cost to make it in the foreign plant had actually declined, to \$140.57.



With Our EXCHANGES

REVIEWING DECEMBER

And now comes the last month of the year. It seems only a short time ago that we were at the very beginning of 1959, and thus each year seems to go a little faster.

December is probably the most memory-filled month for most of us. For it contains Christmas, the wonderful Santa Claus memories, and the holiday season, with the reverence and emphasis on peace which brings out the best in man.

It is a month filled with historical anniversaries. The Monroe Doctrine was enunciated in 1823 on December 2. Illinois joined the Union in 1818, on December 3. December 7 is the immortal anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, an event which will never be forgotten by anyone who remembers the day. Eli Whitney, inventor of our cotton gin, was born December 8, 1765. Those who enjoy his poetry will recall that John Greenleaf Whittier's career began on December 17, in Haverhill, Massachusetts. This is also the day of the first successful flight in a heavier-than-air machine by the Wright brothers, at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, in 1903.

The Pilgrims landed on December 22, 1620, and this year Winter begins on that same day. The 24th is Christmas Eve, and the 25th is the anniversary of the birth of the baby Jesus in a manger at Bethlehem.

We must not overlook that our homeland, Texas, became a state on December 29, 1845. —Mary Ann Sarchet in Briscoe County News.

MAKES HIM MAD

Yesterday, we were driving down the street when suddenly we thought of the Texas constitution and got mad. What a mess that thing is!

The idea of states rights has always appealed to us. But the idea is a mockery where the government cannot govern, where laws are outdated and rigid, detailed and unproductive as in Texas.

Legislators can't make laws on important matters but must ask for expensive amendment elections where people vote on complicated legal documents they don't understand.

The governor and other executives are held morally responsible for acts of subordinates elected by the people, subordinates they cannot control. The people elect lawyers they have no way of judging to the Supreme Court.

Offices exist long after their real usefulness has disappeared. And on and on the kinks lump up so that every time the

idea occurs to us, we just get sore — Pat Bennett in Crosbyton Review.

THINKING OF OTHERS

There is something about this time of the year, when Christmas comes, that makes it easy to think of others. Our thoughts are naturally turned toward good will and good cheer. We remember that "it is more blessed to give than to receive" and we find happiness in making others happy. It is the natural thing to do at Christmas.

But how will you feel next July? Will you still have some of that holiday spirit when it's summer instead of winter, and Christmas is six months away? Will you be as thoughtful of others when the weather is hot? Actually the mere season of the year shouldn't make any difference. So let us resolve right now not to let the Christmas spirit die on the 26th of December. Let us carry it right on through the spring, summer, and fall, and have it still with us when the holidays come again next year.

—The Texas Spur

EVERY TWO MINUTES fire damages or destroys someone's home in a United States city. There were nearly 300,000 residential fires reported in the U. S. during 1958, in communities of 2,500 population and over.



Dear Editor:

I see where the experts are worried that we may have a surplus of people by the year 2000, and they are talking setting up a national birth control program.

My over-governed neighbor says he can see where shrewd management of a project like this could bring on vast social reform just by not issuing any birth permits except to the right people.

And, of course, if some non-conformist couple came up with twins on a one-baby legal limit, they would have to throw one back.

D. E. SCOTT
Crossroads, U.S.A.

Long Ago In Lockney

Items of interest from the files of The Lockney Beacon.

December 26, 1929

The cold wave sending temperatures to 4 above zero here was followed Thursday night and Friday morning with a snow which melted Saturday.

The City Council purchased a new fire truck Friday night at a cost of \$6,750 and will be delivered in February.

Hammond & Company, local International Harvester dealers, have let a contract for the erection of a brick and tile building on the lots just north of the old Harris Blacksmith Shop on North Main Street.

Dr. and Mrs. S. M. Henry returned home Friday from Temple, Texas where Dr. Henry underwent surgery at Scott & White Hospital.

J. H. Hochhaus and Burton Thornton returned Thursday

from a hunting trip in the area near Mason, Texas.

December 26, 1929

Captain Red Daniels, 1947 Longhorn gridiron football star, was named on the All-American sports squad selected by Daily News Sunday, Times Herald, and other newspapers. Guthrie, Bob Quisenberry, and Ewell Dee Kelley were also named.

Billy McCada, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. McCada was the victim of an accidental gun shot Sunday evening at his home. The charge from a shotgun struck him in the chest, killing him instantly. He was former resident of the vicinity. They farmed in the vicinity of the town of Ant Valley community from 1943 to 1946.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Pleasant Valley are parents of a baby, December 18 at a Lubbock hospital. He has been named David.

1958 Traffic Safety (first ten months through Nov. 18) — 1,810,000 Injured, 237,000 Killed, \$273,000,000 Estimated Economic Loss, 36 Billion Miles Traveled.

Season's Greetings

May the joyous spirit of the season lift your heart... brighten your life... and be with you for a long time to come.

J. C. JONES CO.
Lockney

Greetings

Have a wonderful holiday time, friends and neighbors! Here's hoping that your Christmas will be the merriest and brightest ever.

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MR. AND MRS. EVERETT CRUME PROVIDENCE

Season's Greetings

A special delight of the holiday season is the opportunity it brings to exchange greetings and good wishes with all our friends. We thoroughly enjoy the friendly relationship we have with you, our customers, and we'd like to express our gratitude for your valued patronage. A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

We Will Be Closed Christmas Day and Saturday!

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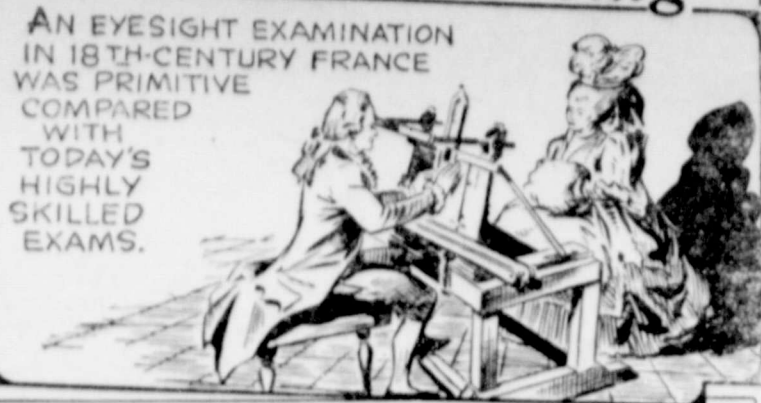
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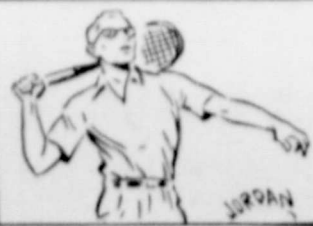
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Two cocktails (about 0.04%
of alcohol in the blood) may
reduce visual acuity as much
as wearing dark glasses at
night.

Seeing is Believing



AN EYESIGHT EXAMINATION
IN 18TH-CENTURY FRANCE
WAS PRIMITIVE
COMPARED
WITH
TODAY'S
HIGHLY
SKILLED
EXAMS.



ONLY 9% OF
AMERICAN EYE-CARE
PATIENTS OWN PRESCRIPTION
SUNGLASSES, WHICH GIVE
SHARP VISION AND GLARE
PROTECTION, SAYS THE
BETTER VISION INSTITUTE.

IF CHEMICALS GET
IN YOUR EYES, WASH
THEM AND SEE A
VISION SPECIALIST.
SAFETY GLASSES
PREVENT SUCH TROUBLE.



ALCOHOL CLOUDS
VISION AND IMPAIRS
DRIVING ABILITY.
DON'T DRINK
BEFORE DRIVING!

Hawaiian Holiday
Although many Hawaiians
have seen ice only as frozen in
mechanical refrigerators, the
trees used by the islanders for
Christmas decorations are
painted white to simulate snow.
Christmas dinner is usually
a private feast for the family.
Open-house hospitality is rather
difficult at Christmas be-
cause Hawaiians are always
ready for a party and if fam-
ilies didn't close their doors
for the holiday the home would
be invaded by happy hordes of
hungry guests seeking food and
drink.

Pure alcohol leaves no odor
on the breath—it is the flavors
in the beverage that cause the
odor.

Coffee or other stimulants
will not offset the effects of
alcohol. Only time can elimi-
nate alcohol from the blood
stream.

Chemical tests provide the
police with a scientific means
to determine whether or not
alcohol has reduced a driver's
ability.

**FROM THE
County Agent's
Office**

By Cecil Lewis

Grain Sorghum
Many producers are going to
take a look at their produc-
tion practices for Grain Sorghum.
We may be selling our
water too cheap. By planting
early and getting our usual
spring rains might help in cut-
ting expenses. By choosing a
fast maturing hybrid and plant-
ing it late, giving the Grain
Sorghum only two irrigations
at the most and fertilizing with
moderate amounts of nitrogen,
we should expect to net more
money per acre.
Mal Jarboe of the Baker com-
munity planted grain sorghum
the last of April. Part of the
field was fertilized with 50
pounds of nitrogen per acre,
part was left unfertilized for
a check. The grain sorghum
was watered twice during the
growing season. The fertilized

field made an average yield
of 5,678 pounds per acre for
a gross return of \$79.49 per
acre. The nonfertilized block
handled the same, with the
exception of added nitrogen,
produced 4,287 pounds per
acre with a gross return of
\$50.02 per acre. This is a \$29.47
increase return for \$3.75 in-
vested in nitrogen.

Farm Machinery

Now would be a good time to
do the necessary repair on the
farm equipment. Getting every-
thing you will need in shape
can save many hours and trou-
ble later on. The equipment
will be ready when you need
it. We would like to wish each

of you a MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a prosperous NEW YEAR.

**Final Days For
Deer Hunt Near**

Austin. — Two more weeks
remain of the general deer
season in Texas. The season
has been closed in that area
west of the Pecos River and in
numerous other counties with
seasons of short duration.
In the Hill country and South
Texas, the season on white-
tailed deer will close December
31.
The deer kill reported so far
has averaged slightly more
than last year's average in
size and weight.



To each of our won-
derful customers we
extend a heartfelt
wish for a very
MERRY CHRISTMAS

GRAVES WELDING
Weldon and James
Lone Star

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other daily newspapers.
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Phone OL 4-3318

**New England Tots
Had Toys in 1880's**

Old Sturbridge Village, Mass.,
is known about the country for its
annual "Muster Day," but this re-
created New England town of 150
years ago also comes in for atten-
tion at Christmas because of a
unique collection of early Ameri-
can toys.
In the early 1880's, Christmas
was just another day—unless it
happened to fall on a Sunday, as
the austere Puritans did not ob-
serve the holiday. But children of
the day were like children of ev-
ery period and every country.
They did have toys and play-
things.
Most of the toys of the day, of
course, were probably hand-made
carefully and painstakingly by
parents. Most of them were made
of wood, although some were tin,
probably made and sold by the
local tinsmith.
The collection of toys at Old
Sturbridge Village include minia-
ture furniture pieces, doll beds,
wooden rocking horses, and even
a pair of ice skates.
Examination of the toys of these
early American children indicate
that, just as Christmas hasn't
changed, neither has the chil-
dren's preference in toys.
You do not have to be ob-
viously intoxicated to be
"Under the Influence" and an
unsafe driver.
Alcohol is not a stimulant
for self-criticism occurs before
obvious symptoms of intoxica-
tion.

**WE WILL
BE CLOSED
Friday and
Saturday
Dec. 25 and 26**
Thanks for your
co-operation.
**Consumers
Fuel
Association
Lockney**

To all our good friends, we send our
warmest thanks for their patronage and good will,
along with our heartiest wishes for their
happiness throughout the Holiday season.

GREETINGS

Truett Variety Store
Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Truett

**PERSONALIZED
NAPKINS
for
WEDDINGS
and
ANNIVERSARIES**

Mary and Jack

These also make the finest gifts you can give.

THE LOCKNEY BEACON
Phone OL 4-3318

**Season's
Greetings**

At the holiday season, our thoughts turn
with special warmth to our loyal friends
and customers. We want to say how pleased
we are to be privileged to serve the folks
in this community and we wish for all a
Yuletide that really rings the bell for good
fellowship, contentment and good cheer...

to everyone

HANDLEY SHOP & PUMP CO.
Joe Handley D. L. Handley Steve Handley J. D. Handley
Bennie Handley Jack Gibson Leon Walls Marvin Walls James Eiland

Society News

Jerry Holt To Marry

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey L. Holt of Lockney announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Jerry, to Donald W. Tiley. The wedding is to take place Tuesday, December 29 in Bowman Chapel of First Methodist Church, Lubbock.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mrs. W. E. Tiley, 2405 Main St.

The engaged couple graduated from Texas Tech in August. Miss Holt's major was advertising art and design and she is employed in Dallas as a commercial artist. Her fiancé graduated in electrical engineering and is employed in Salt Lake City, where the couple will live.

"42" Party Marks Birthdays

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Griffith were hosts at a "42" party Monday evening marking the birthdays of several of those attending.

Following games of "42" refreshments of Christmas cookies, home made candy, fruit cake, coffee and soft drinks were served to Mr. and Mrs. Jay McPherson, Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Whiteley, Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Bybee, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Moody, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ellison, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cunyus, and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Griffith.

OFFICE SUPPLIES at The BEACON OFFICE.



MISS LOUANN WORD

Wedding Planned New Years Day

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Word, Floydada, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Louann, to Don Schacht, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Schacht, Lockney.

The wedding is scheduled to take place January 1 at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Providence Community, northwest of Lockney.

Jo Readhimer Is Breakfast Honoree

Mrs. Loyd Readhimer and Mrs. R. L. Rhoten were hostesses at a "Come-as-you-are" Christmas breakfast Tuesday morning honoring Mrs. Readhimer's daughter, Jo, at the Readhimer home.

The group was served orange juice, sweet rolls, and hot chocolate. Mr. Rhoten made movies of the group.

Present were Jane Reynolds, Jane Rhodes, Sue Gilbert, Cheryl Rucker, Paulette Kropp, Nancy Webster, Diane Montgomery, and the honoree.

Sherman Home Is Scene For Family Gathering Sunday

The home of Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Sherman was the scene for a Meriwether family gathering Sunday night.

Mrs. Marcia Meriwether who has been confined to Lockney General Hospital for three years was able to attend the annual Christmas dinner and Christmas tree. She made the trip via ambulance and was accompanied by her nurse, Mrs. Kelley Webster. Mrs. Meriwether has been able to be out of the hospital for a short time each Christmas and also to attend her grandson, Doug Meriwether's wedding about two years ago. She was elated to be a part of the family celebration again this year.

Present for the annual affair were Mrs. G. T. Meriwether, Jr. and children, Susan and George, Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Austin Meriwether, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Meriwether, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Meriwether and Monty, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Fortenberry, Sammy and Marcia, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sherman and Mark, Mrs. Marcia Meriwether, Mrs. Kelley Webster, Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Sherman and Tommy.

Gleaner Class Has Social

The Gleaners Sunday School Class of the Baptist Church enjoyed a social meeting Wednesday, December 16, at the church parlor.

Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. F. L. Dorman, Peggy Cherry and B. B. Vernon.

Mrs. Guy Sams told two Christmas stories.

Refreshments were served to approximately sixteen guests.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere gratitude for the many kindnesses, helpfulness and thoughtfulness during the past several weeks. So many have helped in so many different ways that we cannot name all of them but we do want you to know we are grateful and will remember you for your kindness.

Especially do we want to thank our pastor, Brother Charles Broadhurst and every member of the church, the wonderful families who have taken our children and cared for them as their own, our friends who gave blood for Ed in October and also Tuesday of this week.

Our sincere appreciation to Dr. Pat Williams and Dr. W. J. Mangold for their tireless efforts; the Lion's Club for their beautiful Christmas tree; the group who provided our Thanksgiving dinner.

May the Lord's blessings fall richly upon you in the days to come.

We would also like to take this opportunity to wish each and everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

The A. E. Hewitt Family.

CARD OF THANKS

I want to express my sincere appreciation to the American Legion, the Christian people, the Rebekahs and all my dear friends who have stood by me, helped me and kept my faith alive. I wish for all of you a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

With Love in Christ, Elizabeth Widener

Newton-Byrd Wedding Is Solemnized

Miss Lajana Sue Newton of Midland, became the bride of Willie Eugene Byrd, also of Midland, Friday, December 11, at 8 p.m. The double ring ceremony was solemnized in Bellview Baptist Church, Midland with Rev. Boyce Evans officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Newton of South Plains and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Byrd, McComb, Mississippi.

The altar was decorated with tall baskets of white gladioli. Miss Jo Ann Newton, South Plains, sister of the bride, played "O Promise Me" and "I'll Walk Beside You" and also accompanied John Bullock, soloist, who sang "Because".

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was attired in a street length dress of white net over taffeta. The bodice featured a high scalloped neckline with crelet of seed pearls set in each scallop. Her fingertip veil hung from a tiara of white seed pearls and she carried a bouquet of white carnations arranged atop a white Bible.

For something old the bride wore a pair of pearl earrings belonging to her mother, new was the Bible, a gift from the bridegroom, borrowed was blue garters and in her shoe she wore the traditional penny.

Mrs. Leonard Moore, Anderson, Missouri, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. She wore a street length dress of blue lace over taffeta, white accessories and carried a bouquet of pink carnations.

Best man was Leonard Moore, brother-in-law of the bride. Ushers were Freddie Ezell and Olin Pover, both of Midland.

Mrs. Newton, mother of the bride, wore a navy blue dress with white trim and navy accessories. Her corsage was of white carnations.

The bridegroom's mother was attired in a gray suit and black accessories. Her corsage was also of white carnations.

Reception Immediately following the ceremony, a reception was held in fellowship hall of the church.

The table was beautifully appointed with the bride's chosen colors. Laid with white lace over blue, the table was centered with an arrangement of blue and white carnations. Misses Janette McMinn and Jackie Estes served cake and punch to approximately 30 guests.

The bride is a graduate of Plainview High School and Lippert's Business School, Plainview. She is employed with Texas Crude Oil Company, Midland. Her husband, a graduate of Summit High School, Summit, Mississippi, is employed with Texas Electric Service Company in Midland.

After a short wedding trip to Cloudcroft, New Mexico, the couple will be at home at 302 West Cowden, Midland.

Special holiday studies by the National Safety Council showed that 55% of the Christmas season fatal traffic accidents involved a drinking

Drinking to an extent reduces the ability of any driver.

Lockney General Hospital News

December 16 - 22

Mrs. Marcia Meriwether, Lockney, continues to receive medical care.

Mrs. Zeb Reed, Lockney, continues to receive medical care.

Mrs. Marie Burt, Lockney, continues to receive medical care.

T. H. Boedeker, Lockney, continues to receive medical care.

Mrs. Katherine Watters, Petersburg, was dismissed 12-19 following surgery.

Floyd Woods, Silverton, continues to receive medical care.

Mrs. J. V. Gross, Lockney, was dismissed 12-20 following medical care.

Mrs. W. L. Hall, Floydada, was dismissed 12-20 following medical care.

Mrs. Pearl Pitekett, Lockney, was dismissed 12-17 following medical care.

J. C. Garrett, Floydada, was dismissed 12-17 following medical care.

Mrs. Charles Dappery, Plainview, was dismissed 12-19 following medical care.

Mrs. Henry Price, Floydada, was admitted 12-17 for medical care.

Mrs. W. B. Gunn, Floydada, was admitted 12-19 following medical care.

Mrs. R. L. Rhoten, Lockney, was admitted 12-17 and dismissed 12-18 following medical care.

Mrs. Sussie Ferryman, Floydada, was admitted 12-18 for medical care.

Mrs. Henry Ford Sr., Lockney, was admitted 12-18 for medical care.

H. L. Childs, Floydada, was admitted 12-19 for medical care.

Miss Anna Marie Ulmer, Lockney, was admitted 12-19 and dismissed 12-20 following minor surgery.

A. D. Schaffner, Lockney, was admitted 12-20 for medical care.

O. C. Vinson, Floydada, was admitted 12-20 for medical care.

Joe Carthel, Lockney, was dismissed 12-20 following medical care.

Rickey and Lonnie Peters, Plainview, were admitted 12-21 for minor surgery and were dismissed 12-22.

Arturo Contreras, Plainview, was admitted 12-21 for medical care.

New Arrivals Mr. and Mrs. William Harden, Lockney, are parents of a baby girl, born 12-19. She weighed 6 lbs., 9 ozs., and was named Kimmie Jeanine.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Morales, Floydada are parents of a baby girl, born 12-21. She was named Maria Victoria.

Mr. and Mrs. Esequiel Alvarado, Lockney, are parents of a baby boy, born 12-22.

CARD OF THANKS We extend our heartfelt thanks to all those who were so very kind and thoughtful while Joe was in the hospital. We appreciate the cards, flowers, visits and everything that was done for him. Our special thanks go to the doctors and nurses for their services.

Joe Carthel
J. M. Carthel & family

It takes at least three hours to oxidize (eliminate) one ounce of pure alcohol (about two cocktails).

Letters To Santa

Monday afternoon
Dear Santa,
My name is Danny Joe and I am in the first grade and will be 7 years old on the 23rd of December. I want a new bicycle that has a horn and light. My little brother, Larry Paul, is four years old and he wants a Ford tractor set and a bike if you have one for him.

We have a little baby brother, Ronnie, and he would like almost anything. Please leave us some candy, fruit, and nuts. We have been very good this

year and we wish you a "Merry Christmas". Please remember all of our cousins, friends and all the other good children.
Love,
"The Cunyus Brothers"
HERE FROM ABILENE
Luther Williams, a senior ministerial student at Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, is spending Christmas holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lois Williams and family.
Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Lea of Clovis, New Mexico, spent Friday visiting her brother, Rev. L. A. Blair and Mrs. Blair.

SINCERE WISHES

May Santa bring you everything you've ever wanted... as well as some wonderful things you never knew existed!

We will be closed Friday and Saturday

CARMEN'S BEAUTY SHOP

Carmen Dodson, Prop.

Season's Greetings

We extend to you our sincere thanks for your loyal patronage and our best wishes for a holiday season that spreads good cheer all through your house!

GOLDEN'S RESTAURANT

Louis and Ruth Golden

BEST WISHES

All good luck, all good cheer, all good things we wish our many good friends at holiday time.

MODERN RADIO & TV

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Cox

Christmas Greetings

With the hope that the season will bring you abiding happiness.

We will be closed through Dec. 28th

DOROTHY'S BEAUTY SALON

Dorothy Marshall Lillian Rogers

GREETINGS

With the year coming almost full circle, we once again have the pleasure of extending the greetings of the season to our many good friends and wonderful patrons. May you all enjoy this last, but best, part of the year in health and happiness.

JOHNSON & JOHNSON

Lavon Johnson Ike Johnson Alvin Hayes
Richard Ellison Kenneth Murdock J. W. Martin
Harold Wright

GREETINGS

To our "family" of cherished friends, we wish the joys of a good old-fashioned Christmas. And along with our greetings, we'd like to send our sincere thanks for the opportunity of serving all our patrons.

Lockney Farm Supply

YOUR INTERNATIONAL DEALER

C. S. HALL, Manager
BLAINE HOLT
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For Sale
 GIVE HIM A Home File for Christmas. Keeps important papers in order. See them at the Beacon Office.

FOR SALE—Champion stock. 100% pure. Cocker puppies. 100% pure. \$35. Make that happy! Call OL 4-3791. 38-1tc.

FOR SALE—144 acres, good soil, improved. 48.6 A cotton allotment. \$385.00 per acre. Miller Insurance Agency. 37-2tc.

FOR SALE—Good used Corona portable typewriter in good case. Wyatt Schaller, Phone OL 4-2579. 1tp.

FOR SALE—AKC registered pups. E. M. Quebe, phone OL 4-4014, Plainview. 36-4tp.

FOR SALE—One wheel tractor. \$35. Mrs. Boyce Kenady, Southwest First Street, Phone OL 4-3897. 31-1tc.

WOULD LIKE to have cash for house and lot owned by the Livesey Estate. 9 rooms, ample storage space, foot front on Guest Street. block from Lockney General Hospital. Contact Mrs. Mrs. Byars, Phone OL 4-3302, Box 302, Lockney. 36-3tc.

FOR SALE—Two good half sections, two lots on each, good cotton allotment. 200 acres on pavement, good improvements, good irrigation, good cotton allotment. \$50 per acre. Some terms. 122 acres in city limits. Clean land. \$400 acre. Can be used for housing project.

FOR SALE—100% in wheat! 640 acres unimproved, all in summer followed winter wheat. \$105 per acre. Half section. All in cultivation. 50% wheat base, 5 steel machines. \$73.50 per acre. Also have some improved land. All listings are in South Dakota. 36-3tc.

Strickland Real Estate
 235 Wayland CA 4-7264
 Plainview, Texas.

KNAPP SHOES FOR SALE
 For comfort, service and style, with or without arch support. Wear the best—wear Knapp. H. P. Coleman, Phone OL 4-3834, Lockney.

For
OIL PAINTINGS
 Picture Framing
 Tru-Site Glass
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 Art Supplies

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 1304 Milwaukee St.
 Plainview

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HARVEST SPECIAL
Heavy Duty International SHREDDERS
 List \$610.00
 Reduced to \$485.00

Lockney Farm Supply
 Your International Harvester Dealer
 Lockney, Texas

For Sale
FOR SALE—160 acres dry land, good wheat allotment. R. C. Mitchell, Phone OL 4-3446, Lockney. 24-1tc.

FOR SALE—4 rooms and bath on three lots, pavement. West Lockney. Walter Bean, Phone OL 4-2494. 32-1tc.

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Contact
W. ELDON ROBERTS
Life Insurance Estate Analysis
 1502 Westmoreland
 Call Orchard 2-4746
 Collect
 Abilene, Texas

FOR SALE—Venetian blinds made and repaired. Eastern Blind and Awning Co., corner 5th and Dale Streets, Plainview, Texas. Phone CA 4-3103. 27-1tc.

See me for
Washed Sand and Gravel
 Delivered to your job.
 Have new ditching machine. Will dig foundations, gas and water lines.

C. L. CALLOWAY
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SEE—Eastern Blind and Awning Co., 5th and Dale Streets, Plainview, for Storm Windows, Doors, Carports, Patios, Fences, Bomb Shelters. Phone CA 3-3103. 27-1tc.

FOR SALE—1957 Chevrolet truck tractor, fully equipped, excellent condition. 33-foot tandem trailer. Inquire at Lone Star Oil Co. After 7 p.m. call OL 4-3106. 28-1tc.

LOCKNEY REAL ESTATE
 E. R. and Revis Harris

FARM EQUIPMENT
 John Deere tractor, practically new, with new lister and harrow. Also John Deere tractor with 4-row equipment, water and cultivator. 12-foot row-way plow, rotary hoes, dust blower, and numerous other pieces of farm equipment. Can be seen at Lockney Real Estate. Revis Harris. 36-1tc.

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Wanted
WANTED—Custom plowing, home or one-waying. Russell Smith Jr., Phone OL 4-3106. 9-1tc.

WANTED—Will haul sand and gravel or drive-way material. Russell Smith Jr., Phone OL 4-3106. 29-1tc.

For Rent
FOR RENT—Duplex apartment. \$10 a week. Bills paid. 320 Southwest First Street. Mrs. A. B. Kenady. 37-2tc.

BARRY BARKER duplex now available for rent. Two bedrooms, forced air heat, service porch. 37-2tc.



Dear Editor:
 I see where the Health Department says some poultrymen have been feeding their chickens on an unhealthy female hormone to make them fatter.

My round neighbor says this don't seem reasonable, as he knows many apparently well-hormoned ladies who are not fat; so he aims to go on eating fried chickens no matter how much feminine chemicals go into their diet.

Unless, of course, some side-effect starts to show up on him, such as, say, an urge to wear capri pants or paint his toenails.

D. E. SCOTT
 Crossroads, U.S.A.

NO CHINESE DELINQUENTS
 Not long ago a New York City Judge wrote to the New York Times saying that in the 17 years he had been on the bench not one Chinese teenager had been brought before him on a juvenile delinquent charge.

P. H. Chang, Chinese Consul-General in New York, was asked to comment. He said, "I have heard this story many times from many judges. I will tell you why I think this is so. Filial piety is a cardinal virtue my people have brought over from the China that was free. A Chinese child, no matter where he lives, is brought up to recognize that he cannot shame his parents. Before a Chinese child makes a move, he stops to think what the reaction of his parents will be. Will they be proud, or will they be ashamed? Above all other things, the Chinese teenager is anxious to please his parents."

The amazing record of the Chinese children and young people shows that it is in the home that the cure for juvenile delinquency will be found—and in no other place.

HAS HEART ATTACK
 Mrs. Jann Terrell of Plainview suffered a heart attack Monday night and is in a Plainview hospital in a serious condition, according to word received here Tuesday night. Mrs. Terrell is the mother of Mrs. Melvin Potts and Mrs. Dale Lacey, both of Lockney.

Of the 63 Texans killed in Christmas-New Year's Holiday traffic in 1958, 18 were young Texans of public school and college age.

L. O. O. F. LODGE NO. 93
 Meets each Thursday at 8 p. m.
 Lockney, Texas
 WALTER GLOYNA, N. G.

4-H Boys' Agricultural Awards Winner



Roy Dee Gregg, 17, of Plainview, Texas, receives \$400 scholarship from Frank W. Jenks, International Harvester president, during 38th National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago. Roy was one of the six winners in the National 4-H Boys' Agricultural Awards Program sponsored by Harvester. In the foreground is a miniature replica of Cyrus Hall McCormick's 1831 reaper which revolutionized agriculture.

Roy Dee Gregg, 17, of Route 3, Plainview, Hale County, Tex., was one of six young 4-H Club members singled out for special honors during the 38th National 4-H Club Congress just held in Chicago.

Roy, as did five other national winners, received an all-expense trip to the congress and also was awarded a \$400 International Harvester scholarship as a result of his outstanding record in agricultural projects.

The objectives of the program, known as the National Boys' 4-H Agricultural Awards, are to develop leadership and gain a better knowledge of those agricultural projects and activities which contribute to better farming and a more satisfying rural life.

Arranged and announced by the National Committee on Boys and Girls Club Work, the program is sponsored by International Harvester Company and conducted by extension services of state agricultural colleges and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Roy, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Gregg, is a senior at Plainview High School. He has spent eight years in 4-H club work and is a member of the County Wide Club.

Working on 4-H projects came naturally to Roy since his older brothers were active members and his father an adult leader. This year he carried out six major projects, including steers, lambs, calves, grain, garden and cotton.

In addition to earning a profit of nearly \$7,000 from his 4-H projects, Roy has won numerous awards and ribbons for a variety of activities. In 1959, he was a judge on the first place team at the El Paso Fat Stock Show and took high individual honors in that event.

Roy likewise has been a member of the first place livestock judging team at the Texas State Fair and has been winning prizes for his cotton since 1953.

A past president of both his local and county clubs, Roy is a member of the American Junior Rodeo Association and is active in church and community work. He lives on his parents' 500-acre farm.

GREETINGS

Best wishes of the festive season from all of us to everyone, everywhere!

We will be closed Dec. 24th to Jan. 4th
FASHIONETTE BEAUTY SHOP
 Verna Newton Eddie Barnett

Greetings... Here's hoping that the cheery glow of holiday candles is matched by the happiness that's in store for you this Christmas.

LOCKNEY REAL ESTATE
 E. R. HARRIS

HAPPY Holidays

At this time of year, we take a long look in two directions: backward with warm appreciation for your patronage, and forward with the happy anticipation of continuing to serve you.

We will be closed Dec. 24th to Dec. 31st
PERSONALITY BEAUTY SHOP
 WYNONA NAOMI LINDA

A FRIENDLY HELLO

With best wishes for Holiday Happiness from our door to yours.

We will be closed Dec. 25 to Dec. 30
TOMMIE'S BEAUTY SHOP
 Tommie Williams Lena Brotherton

Greetings

The Holiday Season's here!
 We're hoping it brings you Good luck and good cheer!

Workman Plumbing & Heating
 Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Workman and family

SPECIAL MEAT PRICES

We will be open Thursday and Saturday!

TURKEY TOMS — just 6 left — lb.	39c
BOLOGNA , per pound	33c
BABY BEEF LIVER , pound	29c
FRESH PORK HAMS half or whole, pound	39c
ARM ROAST , pound	45c
PORK STEAK , pound	39c
SIRLOIN STEAK , pound	69c
SLAB BACON , pound	33c

WE DO CUSTOM SLAUGHTERING and PROCESSING
 We will be happy to cut, wrap and quick-freeze your meats. Come out and visit with us.

B. & B. MEAT COMPANY

FORMERLY RHODES & SON
 Located on the south end of the Paved Cut-Off in East Lockney
 Phone OL 4-2545
 ANGUS BUSBY, CHARLEY BARR, Owners

Portable Disc Rolling
 Call
WELDON GRAVES
 Dial OL 4-3483, Lockney

Cesspool Drilling PRICES REDUCED
 30-inch hole — \$1.00 ft.
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 42-inch hole — \$1.75 ft.
 48-inch hole — \$2.00 ft.
 Turnkey Job—
 Phone CA 4-9210

Sanitation Service
 Septic Tank Pumping
 Phone CA 4-9212

WARREN DRILLING
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 H. E. WARREN, Owner

OFFICE SUPPLIES at The BEACON OFFICE.

South Plains

By Mrs. Fred Fortenberry
Our community has truly welcomed the good general rain over the county which measured from 3 to 4 inches around here.

Sunday was a beautiful Sunday and church services were well attended with 77 present.

Home from college for the Christmas holidays are Eugene Beedy, Larry Smitherman, Kendis Julian, James Alton Higginbotham, Tommy Respondek and the Ronnie Uptons.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McClure were called to Snyder Friday because of the illness of Mrs. McClure's mother, Mrs. R. W. Newman. Mrs. Newman underwent surgery Saturday at Snyder. Report Monday was her condition was serious. All the children are at her bedside. We do hope she will improve fast.

Mr. and Mrs. George Weast were hosts Sunday night for a supper and Christmas tree for their children, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Smith and children of Sterley, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Evans and children of Amarillo. The Robert Lee Smiths left this Monday for a two weeks tour of Florida. Other guests Saturday in the Weast home were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Basley and children of Flagstaff, Arizona.

The Sylvin Kinnibrughs will spend Christmas with their parents at Truscott and Vera.

Mr. and Mrs. Grigsby Milton and Darla spent Thursday in Amarillo visiting Mrs. Milton and Linnie. The Grigsby Mil-

tons left Saturday for California to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Milton's parents and brother and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fortenberry had as dinner guests Sunday the Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Road of Sterley, the Fred Fortenberry, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Fortenberry and Rhonda will spend Christmas day in Amarillo at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John McCain, where all the McCain brothers and sisters will gather for a Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Wood had as guests Sunday afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. James Teague and son, Mr. and Mrs. Riley Teague and boys of Floydada, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Dunham and family of Hobbs, N. M., Mrs. Kelly Bowers of Plainview, Mrs. Beverly Howard of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Wood and son of South Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Wilson and son left Wednesday for Winfield, Louisiana to spend Christmas with Mrs. Wilson's mother, brothers and sisters. They will go by Bonham, Texas to visit Mr. and Mrs. Paul Snodgrass.

Mr. and Mrs. Leighton Teeple and children went to Amarillo Monday on business and to visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Arby Mulder and children will spend Christmas day at Clarendon with Mrs. Mulder's sister and family the Fete Lands.

The Senior Home Demonstration Club held their Christmas party Monday night, Dec. 14 at the home of Mrs. George Weast. Guests registered as

SLOW DOWN AND LIVE-THIS WINTER

DRIVING FACTS YOU SHOULD KNOW

STARTING ABILITY ON ICE

Traction ratings, based on hundreds of tests, measure the pulling or hill-climbing ability of tires and chains on glare ice conditions. Index is expressed at 100 for regular tires.

0	100	200	300	400	500
REINFORCED TIRE CHAINS 509					
SNOW TIRES 128					
REGULAR TIRES 100					

STOPPING ABILITY ON ICE

Average braking distances, based on tests from 20 MPH on glare ice. For comparison, average braking distance of regular tires on dry pavement at same speed is 21 feet, on glare ice 193 feet.

0	100	200	300	400	500
REINFORCED TIRE CHAINS					
77 ft					
SNOW TIRES					
174 ft					
REGULAR TIRES					
193 ft					

STARTING ABILITY ON SNOW

Traction ratings, based on draw bar pull tests on loosely packed snow, also indicate relative ability to pull through deep snow or climb hills.

0	100	200	300	400	500
REINFORCED TIRE CHAINS 413					
SNOW TIRES 151					
REGULAR TIRES 100					

STOPPING ABILITY ON SNOW

This shows the comparative stopping ability of regular and snow tires and reinforced tire chains on loosely packed snow, from 20 MPH.

0	100	200	300	400	500
REINFORCED TIRE CHAINS					
38 ft					
SNOW TIRES					
52 ft					
REGULAR TIRES					
60 ft					

STOPPING ABILITY ON DRY PAVEMENT

REGULAR TIRES 21 ft

Above charts, provided by the Texas Safety Association, Inc., illustrate test results by National Safety Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards. For each "braking distance" above you must add 22 feet, which is distance traveled during average "reaction time" needed to think and get your foot on brake after seeing a reason to stop. Skidding and reduced visibility are the major added hazards of winter. Can you see and stop in time? Are your windshield wiper blades giving clear, streak-free visibility? Does your defroster work?

Percentage Comparisons, 1959
Against 1958: Deaths UP 4%;
Injuries UP 10%; Crashes UP
13%; Estimated Economic Loss
UP 11%; Estimated Vehicle
Miles Traveled UP 5%.

Not a single child under four
years of age met death in the
Christmas - New Year's holiday
traffic rush in Texas in 1958.

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

With genuine appreciation of our pleasant relations, we extend to all our friends the Season's Greetings. We wish you all the holiday joys with an abundance of good health.

FOWLER HARDWARE CO.
Ernest Irene

Warmest Wishes

May health, happiness and good cheer enter your home this Christmas and remain there for years to come.

Lone Star Oil Company
JUNIOR - LYNN

Christmas Wish

Warmest greetings at the Holiday time! May this be the most joyous of Yuletide seasons for you and yours.

Reecer's Master Cleaners

they arrived. The house was beautifully decorated in Christmas decorations and Christmas music was enjoyed after exchange of gifts refreshments of sandwiches, pickles, potato chips, pecan pie, coffee and hot tea was served. Mrs. L. T. Wood led in a active game, after which games of forty-two were played. Present were Mmes. Menard Fields, R. G. Dunlap, J. D. Webb, Frank McClure, Sylvin Kinnibrugh, Fred Fortenberry, John Wilson, Grigsby Milton, Murray Julian, L. T. Wood, J. P. Taylor, Bill Beedy, Bryant Higginbotham, Bill Thompson, Horace Marble, Harry Hartman, Lottie Stewart, Lucy Thornton, Carl Huckby, and Miss Phillis Rogendorf.

Early Pritchett and boys were in Lubbock Monday.

House guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Parks and boys Monday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Allston and daughter of Lubbock, also Mrs. Parks brother, Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Shearer and family of Quinn, South Dakota who will spend the holidays visiting in Floydada and Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Fish of Junction City, Kansas,

CROSS ROADS REPORT

Dear Editor:
I see where there is a big drive on to put more truth and honesty into TV programs and commercials.

My lo-fi neighbor says if this crusade is successful, maybe he can then convince his 4-year-old that you can know the real joy of good living without beer.

But says it could bring on considerable national embarrassment if all TV campaign speeches had to be truthful and honest, on account of voters might turn down the whole slate at election time

spent Friday and Saturday visiting in the E. L. Morrison home. Mr. and Mrs. Fish are parents of Mrs. Dick Morrison. Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Bill Morrison and Jeffie of Lubbock were guests in the E. L. Morrison home.

and leave us plumb without any congressmen or a president.

D. E. SCOTT
Crossroads, U.S.A.

NAME TAGS PROVIDED
Austin. — The next time you meet a game warden or biologist in the field you'll be able to remember his name while talking with him. Field personnel of the Game and Fish Commission now have name plates which will be worn over the left shirt pocket. They are being issued to men coming in contact with the public to assure easier identification of the men.

Governor Price Daniel has written more than 10,000 letters to Texans in responsible positions asking them to "talk traffic safety" this Christmas.

The Texas Department of Public Safety has officially predicted that 111 Texans will be killed in Christmas - New Year's holiday traffic this year.

TRY BEACON CLASSIFIEDS.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

May this Christmas bring added pleasure of true health and happiness to each and every one of you.

CASSEL BROS. GIN
MONTY STANFORTH LONE STAR

Merry Christmas

One of the joys at Christmas time is greeting folks like you . . . we wish you health and happiness throughout the New Year too!

KEETER GROCERY & MARKET
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keeter

Court House News

Warranty Deeds

Ethel Sawyer to R. E. Smith, lot 4, block 41, Floydada.
 Dennis D. Taylor et al to Bemus V. Carver et ux, lot 4 and north one half of lot 5, block 138, Floydada.
 F. M. Dougherty et ux to Kinder Farris, lots 2, 3 and 4, block 3, Dougherty.
 Kinder Farris to George Wayne Rainwater, lots 3 and 4, block 3, Dougherty.
 Joe Keeter to Paul Kropp, 2 acres being east one half of the J. D. Burleson 158 acre homestead.

Marriage License
 J. B. Hardwick and Sammie Jane Walker.

County Court
 State of Texas vs. Earnest Jackson, D. W. I. Defendant entered plea of guilty and was assessed fine of \$150.00, three days in jail and court costs.
 State of Texas vs. Donald

Williams, aggravated assault, Defendant entered plea of guilty and was assessed fine of \$50.00 and court costs.

State of Texas vs. Eugenio De Leon, D. W. I. Defendant entered plea of guilty and was assessed fine of \$150.00, three days in jail and court costs.

Dear Santa:
 Will you please bring me a look satchel? Will you please bring me a doll with a blue dress on. I would like you to bring me a stuffed dog. I would like you to bring me a new dress and some new shoes.

I love you very much.

Karen Sue Collis.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Whitfill and children, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whitfill and children, all of Silvertown, Mr. and Mrs. J. Floyd Howe and family of Panhandle, and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ed Whitfill, Lockney, will gather at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Whitfill, for a Christmas dinner and tree Christmas Eve.



The Story of the Nativity

(From the Gospel of St. Luke, Chapter II, 1-20)

1. And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.
2. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria).
3. And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.
4. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David).
5. To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.
6. And so it was, at while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.
7. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.



8. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flocks by night.
9. And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they were sore afraid.
10. And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for, behold I bring you tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.
11. For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.
12. And this shall be a sign unto you: "Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."
13. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying:
14. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



15. And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another. Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.
16. And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.
17. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.
18. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.
19. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.
20. And the shepherds returned glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen as it was told unto them.

During the 1958 Christmas-New Year's holiday, four persons 55 years of age were killed in traffic, the largest of any age-group. Next came the 18-year-olds, of whom three died in traffic during the 9-day holiday period.

OPERATION DEATHWATCH, the official 1959 Christmas-New Year's holiday traffic death count, includes two busy week ends in its 12-day period this year, from 12:01 a.m., Wednesday, Dec. 23, through 11:59 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 3.

Home Making Hints

by Phyllis Roggendorff
 County Home
 Demonstration Agent

Tests In Cooking Candies
 Candy thermometers are the best guides for testing a candy mixture. But if you don't have one you can use the cold water test.

Drop a small portion of the candy mixture into a bowl of cold water and note the kind of ball it forms. Fondants, when done, should form a small soft ball which flattens out when held on the tip of the thumb. A firm ball — the test for caramels — will hold its shape when lifted on the finger. For divinity and popcorn balls the syrup should form a hard ball which can be manipulated with the fingers. The soft crack stage for butterscotch or taffy means that threads are hard but not brittle. Hard crack threads will snap when tapped against the side of the bowl. Use a fresh trowl of cold water each time you make a test.

Candy making can be a family affair and lots of fun during the holidays.

Buying A Dish Washer?

The idea of having a dish washer has real appeal for many homemakers. Research has proven that dishes washed in washers have fewer germs than those washed in the usual way. If you are planning to buy one, here are a few points to consider:

First — consider your water supply. For satisfactory use you will need an ample supply of hot and cold water. The hot water should be 160 degrees F. or more. If the water is very hard, dish washers are not satisfactory unless there is some means of softening the water.

Considering the counter space, do you want a top or front opening? Experimental work at the State College of Washington indicates no decided advantage of one type over the other. The front opening required fewer body motions for loading and unloading, while the top opening required fewer arm motions for loading.

Do you want a portable or stationary type? Space available may determine this or you may want to save time and extra handling of dishes by using a portable dish washer. The portable can be rolled to the dining area, loaded and rolled to the sink area for washing, then to the storage area for storing.

You will want to check the capacity and inside arrangement, and look for such safety features as: motor overload protection, fan screen and ground wire protection.

Consider the reliability of the manufacturer, the type of guarantee provided and cost of the unit before you make a final decision.

An individual branch circuit will be needed if the dish washer has its own water heater or dryer heating element.

I hope that you all have a HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!

OFFICE SUPPLIES at The BEACON OFFICE.



Dear Editor:
 It looks like the TV people don't aim for us to forget about how the West was civilized by rough-diamond wagonmasters, pretty girls and bullet-proof marshals.

But my TV-warped neighbor says these epic shows don't give due credit to the rugged beauticians who evidently also braved the wilds to keep heroine hair neat on runaway horses.

And says they ought to commemorate the sturdy orchestras which the films prove were always on hand to furnish background music

for Indian fights, street duels, and maidens left forlorn by horse-propelled drifters.
 D. E. SCOTT
 Crossroads, U.S.A.

SEND HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilson of Littlefield send holiday greetings to Lockney friends. Mr. Wilson, a former employee of First National Bank of Lockney has been connected with Security State Bank, Littlefield the past few years. The newest member of the family, a boy, was born September 4 weighing nine pounds, four ounces, and now weighs 17 pounds, Joe says.

TO CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bert Bobbitt and children left Monday for a Christmas vacation trip to California.

Mr. and Mrs. Colbert Falls, Rita and Joan plan to spend Christmas with relatives in Lawton, Oklahoma.

A Message of Great Joy

"And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them..."
 May the words of the Christmas story be a joy and blessing to you at this holy season

Parker Home Furnishings
 Hershel Swepton Buck Latimer
 John L. Hooten

Season's Greetings

As shepherds watched their flocks...
 A star shone brightly in the hush of a Holy Night... a Babe was born in a manger... and a new spirit of Peace and Good Will came into the world.
 May that spirit abide with you and your family now and always.

Lone Star Store
 BOB AND BILL FINLEY LONE STAR

Christmas

To our friends, a holiday wish that they may enjoy all the best of the season.

SEALE DRIVE-IN THEATRE
 Located 2 1/2 miles west of Lockney on Highway 70
 First Show starts at 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY NIGHT, December 24th
FUN NIGHT
CARY GRANT INGRID BERGMAN
INDISCREET
 Two great stars — Cary Grant and Ingrid Bergman — in a sparkling comedy — see Ingrid in her first great comedy role — it's tops in humor.
 Also **CARTOON**

FRIDAY and SATURDAY NIGHTS, December 25 and 26

WONDERFUL TO SEE! GLORIOUS TO HEAR!
WALT DISNEY'S Sleeping Beauty
 Fantasy, romance, villainy, song and beauty combine to make this the screen treat of the year — the magic of Disney again tops the silver screen to entrance and delight the world.
 A Gift For Everyone on Christmas Night!
 This Show Only: **ADMISSION, Adults 50c. Children 25c**

SUNDAY and MONDAY, December 27 and 28

GEORGE STEVENS' production starring **MILLIE PERKINS**
THE DIARY OF ANNE FRANK
 CINEMASCOPE

COME EARLY — This picture is nearly 3 hours long! The greatest and most heart-warming story of World War II — now on the screen — academy-award winning George Stevens puts unknown Millie Perkins in the screen's most appealing and challenging role — first a best-selling novel, then a Pulitzer prize play, now an unforgettable picture.
 Also **CARTOON**

PLAINS THEATRE, Lockney

SATURDAY MATINEE 1:30 p. m. "Sleeping Beauty" Also CARTOON Walt Disney's great masterpiece.	SUNDAY MATINEE 1:30 p. m. One Show Only "The Diary Of Anne Frank" Also CARTOON
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Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Gilbreath and David will spend the holidays in Whitewright with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gilbreath and family. Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Howell of Flainview will accompany them.

Nelson Wofford, student of Abilene Christian College, arrived last Wednesday and will be here until January 4 with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wofford.

SERIOUSLY ILL
Alfred W. Brotherton is seriously ill at Nichols Medical Group Hospital here. He has been in the hospital about 10 days. He is a brother of Mrs. V. A. Woody of Lockney.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilburn Casey have spent the past week in Morarity, New Mexico, visiting their son, Donice, Casey and wife, Sue, who are planning to spend Christmas holidays here.

STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights by Vern Sanford TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN, Tex. — As the year draws to an end, it appears Texas' big political question of the moment will not be answered until next year.

That is the question of whether the Legislature will be called into special session to raise teacher salaries. Gov. Price Daniel has said that if he does call a session, it will not begin until after Feb. 1, filing deadline for the primaries. Next few weeks are to be spent in study and conferences with legislative leaders on possible methods of financing.

Governor Daniel said that in answer to his poll a majority of lawmakers (77 House members and 20 Senators, had written him they favored teacher raises. Many of these, however, attached "ifs" and "buts" that left considerably less than a majority in favor of plunging right into the task in a special session.

Fifty-four Representatives did not send answers to the governor, and it is generally assumed they do not favor a session. Besides teacher pay, the governor said a special session would also be asked to raise money to pay for medical aid for people on the state welfare rolls.

He will not call a session, said the governor, unless he feels reasonably sure its tasks can be accomplished in the 30 days. But he isn't giving it up, he added, as long as it seems possible "with some hard work to get it over."

TOO LITTLE TIME?—Among those with doubts about the probable success of a special session is House Speaker Waggoner Carr.

In his answer to the governor's poll, Carr said he felt education was too important a subject "to be legislated upon under the extreme pressures of a . . . 30-day limitation."

Carr also called on the governor to spell out well in advance of any session the tax proposals he would submit so legislators would have time to talk them over with their constituents.

Governor Daniel shot back that he would submit, for one, the abandoned property bill which would allow the state to take over unclaimed funds held by banks, insurance companies and other firms. This bill was repeatedly voted down in the House earlier this year.

NO YEN FOR BENCH — Though his political future is not settled, Governor Daniel has definitely ruled out the possibility that he might become a state or federal judge.

There had been some speculation that Daniel, who already has held a raft of high offices, might succeed retiring Chief Justice of the Supreme Court John E. Hickman or the late Jimmy Allred as a federal district judge.

Daniel said he had great respect for the judiciary, but whether as public official or private citizen, he wouldn't want to be sidelined from the fight for "progress, good government and fair taxation."

He would not say that he would not run for governor or lieutenant governor.

"BOTTLE CLUBS" UNDER FIRE — For years Texas law against selling liquor by the drink has been no hindrance to the thousands who belong to "bottle clubs."

Serving of mixed drinks to members and guests of private clubs was assumed to be the same as serving liquor in the home.

But the thing has gotten out of hand, says Liquor Control Board Chairman Coke Stevenson Jr. He said there are many clubs selling mixed drinks that are not private, non-profit clubs but are operated like business concerns to make money.

Stevenson and Atty. Gen. Will Wilson have announced a statewide drive to close up the illegal clubs. Proposed new laws also are being drafted to define clearly what sort of club is legal. Present law neither bans nor recognizes "bottle clubs."

Private bars got started in the swank country clubs, then sprang up over the state in business and professional clubs. Individuals then started their own social clubs. It is the latter — the public "clubs" — which are charged with violating the law.

ADOPTION CASE CLOSED — State Supreme Court has made final its ruling in a case that some say may cause uncertainties in the legal procedure for adoption of babies of unwed mothers.

It upheld the decision of a lower court in returning to its natural mother a child she had previously agreed to have adopted.

State Department of Public Welfare had requested a rehearing in the case. Atty. Gen. Will Wilson, representing the department, said the ruling might result in more "black marketing" of babies.

STATE RELIEF DROPS — As more people become eligible for social security, the number of Texans seeking state old age pension is decreasing.

State Department of Public Welfare reported the number of old age pensioners dropped by 1,426 in the past fiscal year. Number of Texans receiving aid through the Welfare Department was 224,113, only about two-thirds of the 368,418 getting social security checks.

Total monthly welfare payments for the state were some \$11,685,333, compared with \$20,622,190 a month in social security.

CRIME RATE RISES — Texas' fast-growing cities seem to be surging ahead in crime faster than in almost any other area. Houston had in the first nine months of the year 89 murders, same number as Los Angeles, four times as large a city.

Figures released by the Federal Bureau of Investigation showed these murder figures for Texas' ten top cities: Houston, 89; Dallas, 67; Fort Worth, 40; San Antonio, 37; El Paso, 15; Beaumont, 11; Lubbock, 10; Austin, 6; Corpus Christi, 5; Waco, 4.

SHORT SNORTS — Nineteen candidates will campaign through the holiday season in hopes of winning places in the Legislature Jan. 9. Four posts were vacated by resignations. Special elections usually attract many candidates, since the high man wins without a runoff . . . U.S. Dept. of Agriculture has estimated the 1959 Texas cotton crop at 4,500,000 bales. This is lower than previous estimates, but better than the

4,308,000 bales ginned in the state last year. Average yield per acre will be about 337 pounds . . . One-eighth, or six of the 48 persons executed for crimes in the U. S. last year, were executed in Texas. California, Georgia and Ohio also had six executions each. So far this year Texas has had only three executions.

PRE-CHRISTMAS DINNER

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Messimer was the scene of a pre-Christmas dinner on Sunday, December 20. Turkey and all the trimmings were served and gifts were exchanged in the afternoon. Present were Messrs. and Mmes. Mickey Gilbreath and David, Paul Mangum and children, Lockney; Elmer Roberts and children of Kress; Clarence Messimer and girls, Floydada; Donna and Glenda Mues of Nocona; Sam Gilbreath of Whitewright and the hosts.

HOME FROM CALIF.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Sandefer returned home Tuesday after spending ten days with their son, Tyson Sandefer in San Francisco, California.

Mrs. Jean Rose and baby daughter, Laura, Denver, Colo., came Sunday, December 13, to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. C. Cummings. Mrs. Rose's husband, Bob, is expected to arrive December 26 to spend a week and accompany his family home.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Merrell and Carolyn, and Mrs. Merrell's mother, Mrs. R. L. Lackey, plan to spend Christmas holidays in the Jack Craft home at Midland.

Miss Roy Riley of Pampa will be here to spend Christmas with her brother, John L. Riley and family. Friday afternoon the John L. Rileys will leave to spend the week end in San Angelo.

Christmas guests in the J. D. Copeland home will include their daughter, Mrs. Wendell Huddleston, Mr. Huddleston and their baby son of Andrews and the Copeland's son, Bob Copeland of Plainview.

Mrs. Ray James and her cousin, Doris Bartram, spent several days recently in Fort Summer, New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Dub Mercer and boys left Sunday for Austin where they will visit Mr. Mercer's grandmother and do some sight-seeing.

A drinking driver was involved in at least 30% of all fatal traffic accidents during 1957. 23% of the adult pedestrians killed during 1957 had been drinking.

In Texas, the 1958 Christmas-New Year's Holiday Death Toll of 63 was the lowest since 1945.

48% of the Labor Day Labor Day week-end traffic accidents involved drinking driver.

In many accident cases, fact that a driver has never entered in the driver's official record.

In Texas during 1958, only every four traffic victims a young Texan of public school and college age.

In 1958, there were only "Deathless Days" in traffic, days on which no single traffic death was recorded: April 14, June 12, July 1, August 25, and September 1.

NOTICE TO OUR CUSTOMERS!

In order to allow our employees some extra time off at Christmas

WE WILL BE CLOSED

Friday, Saturday and Sunday

Dec. 25, 26 and 27

We thank you for your co-operation.

BYRD PHARMACY

FRED D. BYRD, Pharmacist



Merry Christmas

Once again

we are happy

to wish all of you

the most wonderful,

happiest Christmas ever!

Plains Floral & Gifts

Tom and Audrey Simpson



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Greetings to all...

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Recent Income Tax Changes Are Important

College Station. — Some tax payers may overlook recent changes in income tax regulations that could reduce their 1959 tax. One new feature is the 20 percent first year allowance on tangible personal property. Farm and ranch operators should know the limitations on this special depreciation option in order to decide whether to use it, according to C. H. Bates, extension farm management specialist.

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To be eligible for this first year write-off, the property must have a useful life of six or more years. Usually a tractor or combine will qualify. Also, the property must have been purchased, Bates said any asset acquired by gift or inheritance does not qualify.

The maximum amount on which this depreciation can be taken off is \$10,000 on a separate return and \$20,000 on a joint return. However, explained the specialist, this limitation may include items of property to make up the total.

The full 20 percent additional depreciation can be taken on equipment bought in December so it enables quick recovery of this much of the cost. Then, the regular yearly depreciation can be set up for the remaining cost, less salvage value. For example, a tractor bought on December 5 for \$4,200, would be allowed \$840 first year depreciation. In addition, one month's regular depreciation would be allowed. If a salvage value of \$160 is set up, the annual straight line depreciation on an eight-year basis would be \$400. Depreciation for the month of December would be \$33. So the total depreciation allowance on this tractor for 1959 would be \$873 (\$840 plus \$33). In 1960 the depreciation allowance on the straight line method would be \$400.

Saint Nicholas



The legend of Saint Nicholas is, of course, centuries old, and began in Europe. The story had its beginning in the semi-tropical city of Patara, Turkey, where St. Nicholas was born and where he lived and died. Until after his death, when his remains were taken by Italian sailors to Bari, Italy, St. Nicholas traveled little, never venturing more than a few miles from his native region.

It was the goodness and generosity of St. Nicholas which led him to become the patron saint of many countries, of all boys, and of sailors.

Many legends concerning St. Nicholas, with re-telling have become a bit vague and clouded, but some things are certain: he was a man of wealth; he was generous and kind; and he was at one time Bishop of Myra.

Three Dowries

What is generally believed to be St. Nicholas first and best-known act of kindness was the presentation of dowries to the three daughters of a poor nobleman. According to the story, St. Nicholas learned that the poor girls had decided among themselves that one of them would sell herself into slavery in order that the two others could marry in honor. On separate occasions, St. Nicholas tossed three bags of gold into each girl's window, so that all three were married with honor, and in the usual fashion, lived happily ever after.

St. Nicholas died in 342, after being imprisoned by the Roman Emperor Diocletian and released by the first Christian emperor, Constantine.

Fame Spreads

It was not until sometime in the 11th Century that his fame spread beyond the small province where he was born, lived and died. Seafarers picked up many of the legends and carried them with them to the "modern" world. Italian sailors took his bones from the chapel at Myra and carried them to Italy. Because the journey was over unusually calm seas, the sailors adopted St. Nicholas as their patron saint.

The legends of St. Nicholas were then carried to England and eventually to the New World.

How author Washington Irving, song writer Clement Clark Moore, and cartoonist Thomas Nast created our present-day popular image of Santa Claus is quite another story.

Some situations in which this additional first year depreciation might be beneficial tax-wise are: In years of unusually high net income, and in periods when considerable borrowed capital is needed for beginning or expanding operations. Also, in case of casualty losses involving considerable equipment, such as a fire, windstorm or flood. Bates said the advantage of larger depreciation allowances would "cushion" the financial shock of re-investing in equipment needed.

For a complete explanation of this and other newer features of the tax regulations, obtain a copy of the 1960 Farmer's Tax Guide. It is available from your local county agricultural agent and from the Internal Revenue Service.

RANGE FIRE PROTECTION

Ranchers in Sutton County have found a way to get much needed equipment to fight grassfires which have burned 20,000 acres in the county. The ranchers joined with the Sonora Chamber of Commerce and taxed themselves \$10 per section of rangeland each owned. The money obtained was used to buy a four-wheel drive fire-truck and also several two-way radios so that fire fighting can be supervised from the air.

IMPROVE DAIRY STOCK

Dairymen who select good breeding stock and use better feeding methods to promote rapid growth can expect more profitable returns through earlier maturity and heavier milk production, says A. M. Meekma, extension dairy husbandman. But dairymen who buy replacements generally cannot expect to increase their herd's production level much higher than the level of the herds from which the replacements were bought.

Some people think they become experts on any subject if they read a book about it.

Humor is a rare gift. If you can laugh at the world and at yourself, you are lucky.

OFFICE SUPPLIES at The BEACON OFFICE.



Dear Editor:
I see where Democrat Chairman Butler says the drive to get businessmen more interested in politics is a menace to the country.

My itchy-palmed neighbor says, come to think of it, does seem kind of risky to let the business type citizen carry a politicians union card.

Says this would likely just lead to more national discord when these value-received disciples went to trying to take leather-bedding out of the government.

D. E. SCOTT
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One good thing about the advice that editors pass out is that nobody has to take it.



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to wish you great joy all
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Greetings of the Season

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Christmastime

Here it is again... the happiest time of all!
Eyes are brighter, heads higher, hearts
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inspiration and joy of this festive season
last the year through! Merry Christmas!

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Aiken '66' Station

Sam Young Adrian Manning



Season's Greetings

...and warmest wishes to all our friends

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For all our friends we wish this to be a season

of significance. A holiday when peace mingles with

merriment, love with good fellowship, good works

with good will. And may the spirit of Christmas abide

with you and those dear to you, now and always.

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Drama Festival Will Be Held

Nashville, Tenn.—A religious Drama Festival will be held at First Baptist Church, Plainview, February 11-13, 1960.

The festival is sponsored by the Church Recreation Service, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn. Mrs. Lake Pylant is secretary of the Church Recreation Service, and Cecil McGee is drama consultant.

Local plans and arrangements are being made by Mrs. Ceita Botterff, Youth Director, First Baptist Church, Plainview, and Mrs. Iveloy Bishop, Wayland College.

The purpose of the festival is to acquaint churches and schools with the value of drama as an unexcelled method of presenting truth. Five one-act

plays will be presented at the festival. The technical areas of costuming, make-up and lighting will be presented through practical discussion and demonstrations. Special emphasis will be given to dramatizations of worship and teaching materials for church organizations.

Any person or group interested in religious drama is invited to attend. There will be no registration fee.

The festival will open at 7:30 p.m., Thursday evening, Feb. 11, and will close at noon Saturday, February 13.

The sending of Christmas cards by way of friendly greetings and remembrance has grown up since 1860.

OFFICE SUPPLIES at The BEACON OFFICE.



DAY DREAMING . . . Christmas Eve finds veteran singer-actor Dennis Day asleep on the job of filling Yule stockings. Actually, Dennis, apparently never got any farther than putting up one or two stockings. Oh, well, may be the real Santa will wake him up when he slides down the chimney.

Holiday Stockings

We cannot be definitely sure how the custom of hanging stockings at Christmas began, but almost certainly it is associated with St. Nicholas.

According to one story, St. Nicholas dropped some money down the chimney of a poor but proud nobleman and the money fell into stockings that had been hung by the fire to dry.

Other writers credit the custom of hanging stockings to the fact that the Hollanders believed St. Nicholas rode a horse on his gift-giving trips and accordingly they would put out their wooden shoes filled with carrots or other treats for the horse.

Is Your Home 'Safe' For the Holidays?

Did you ever wonder if the home you have lavishly decorated for the holiday season is anything but "safe"? If your home and decorations are "average," you are most likely surrounded by more fire hazards than the law allows.

The Christmas tree, in all its shiny splendor, is a potential torch. A "safe" tree is one that is freshly cut, with the base submerged in water or wet sand as long as it remains in the house. It is also located away from all sources of heat.

Safe lights for the tree must be laboratory-approved, and carefully inspected for frayed cords and damaged sockets. It is unwise to "economize" by using old cords year after year. It is also unwise to overload electrical circuits with additional lights, toys and appliances.

Only nonflammable decorations should be used on the tree. Discarded Christmas package wrappings should never be left scattered under the tree. Turn tree lights off when retiring or leaving the house. Regardless of whether the New Year has arrived or not, throw out the tree once the needles become dry and fall off.

The Poinsettia

Here are some fingertip recommendations for proper care of the poinsettia, that popular house plant of the Christmas season:

1. Keep the plant in a sunny window, avoiding both drafts and heat. A temperature of 70 degrees is best.
2. Examine the soil frequently (at least twice a day) and keep it moist. When the soil begins to dry out, apply enough water to wet it to the bottom.

Christmas Is Time For Remembering

While it is not true, of course, that "Christmas is for children," no other season or holiday brings to both young and old such vivid memories of earlier, happier times.

Christmas is certainly a happy time for the young. There is a sparkle and sweetness to the Christmas season that time cannot dim within our heart.

When the snow falls and the winter winds blow cold against the frosted panes, there is warmth and contentment in the glow of a hearth fire, and it is a luxury for children of all ages to close the eyes and call back joyful, happy scenes that are so deeply treasured they can never be forgotten.

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Plant Only Texas Vegetables

Local market and home gardeners frequently are misled by advertisements of vegetable varieties. Varieties adapted to Texas conditions should be planted.

"Local Market and Home Garden Vegetable Varieties," is a new extension leaflet prepared by vegetable workers of the Texas Agricultural Experiment

Station and Extension Service. It lists recommended varieties, with those suitable for freezing and canning noted. Decisions on which are suitable are based on recent research results and field observations.

Your local county agent has copies or they are available from the Agricultural Information Office, Texas A&M, College Station. Ask for L-431.

One of the best cures for optimism is a political race.

Clive T. Gross In Virginia Maneuvers

Fort Eustis, Va. (AHTNC). — Army Specialist Five Clive T. Gross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gross, Route 4, Floydada, recently participated with the 65th Transportation Company in Operation Seahorse at Fort Eustis, Va.

The exercise was designed to determine the capabilities of Army helicopters under realis-

tic combat conditions. Gross, a helicopter crew member in the company at Fort Eustis, entered the Army last January. The 21-year-old soldier is a 1956 graduate of Floydada High School.

People often seek excuses for their failures instead of trying to do something about them.

Laziness is a progressive disease; conversely, work makes other work easier.

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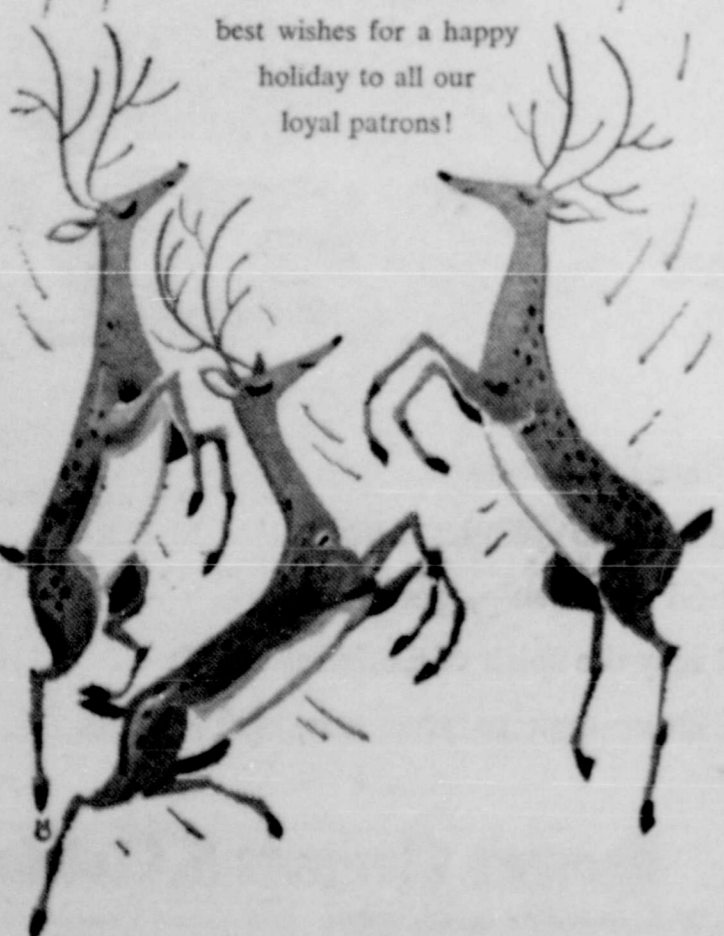
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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Our Christmas wish for everyone we know is for a wonderful holiday season, just filled to overflowing with all the traditional joys, warm good cheer and good fellowship.

We'd like you to know how very much we have appreciated your patronage and we're looking forward to the pleasure of serving you in the future as we have in the past.

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Christmas...

How wonderful is Christmas, and the message that it brings, of Peace and Good Will to All! How it warms every heart, brightens every eye and lightens every care! As we joyously celebrate this Holy Day we wish that the glow of happiness that it brings may lastingly abide with you.

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Question:
Why Do We Have Christmas?

It is now the season of Christmas, 1,959 years since the Peace was born in the Fulfillment of Prophecy, to wear a crown of gold and life of splendor for 33 dedicated years and a crown of thorns.

Because He came as a leader and teacher of men, there were those who devoted unceasing efforts to degrade and destroy Him. Yet, in quiet, God-like manner, He walked the valley of men, teaching the fundamental principles of love and truth by both parable and example.

Because He lifted the eyes of mankind above the meaningless values of worldly power and earthly riches, He sinned against plunderers and tyrants, and for this He was crucified.

Because He called out in pain for the forgiveness of those who had tortured Him and nailed His body to a cross between thieves, He set the highest example of the Golden Rule.

Because He came, with Divine direction, to lead mankind to salvation, He is with us, always.

Because of His example and sacrifice, the tyrants and plunderers who seek to conquer and enslave are eventually aside and relegated to oblivion . . . while the lessons of His Divine teachings remain forever, showing the way toward peace on earth, good will to men.

Because He is always with us, it is fitting that we observe the Christmas, the anniversary of His birth, in the hope that on this new Christmas the hearts of men everywhere will be up to receive His most wondrous message.

Peace on Earth
Good Will
Toward
Men

And suddenly

there was with the angel
a multitude of the heavenly host
praising God and saying
Glory to God in the highest
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in Lockney

**NEW AUTO INSURANCE PLAN
SHIFTS COSTS TO CARELESS**

Fort Worth.—Texas motorists who have operated their automobiles in an accident free and lawful manner during the past three years will be rewarded to the extent of \$20 million, Dr. Robert W. Strain, member of the State Board of Insurance told a meeting of the Independent Insurance Agents Association here Monday noon.

Actually, the plan will be a shifting of financial burden from the careful driver to the shoulders of those who have been involved in accidents or who have compiled a record of moving traffic violations. "This is not an increase in automobile rates — it is a shifting of costs," Dr. Strain emphasized.

Breaking down an intensive survey of driving records of 40,365 Texas motorists, into more understandable statistics, Dr. Strain revealed that out of 23 insured family automobiles, 13 will receive a discount of 20% on their premium rates and four will receive the same rate they have been paying before. Thus, 17 of 23 will either receive a reduction or no change in the rate they now pay. The remaining six will pay higher rates. Of these, three will pay only 20% increase, one will pay a 40% increase, the remaining two will pay from 60% to 100% increase in rate.

The Safe Driving Insurance Plan is a result of the public demand to reward safe drivers and force those who have had accidents or records of moving traffic violations to share a proportionate cost.

"In addition, we very definitely feel that this plan will provide an incentive to reduce the tragic toll on our highways that may not have been present heretofore," he said.

In a lighter tone, Dr. Strain remarked that the Plan had already had one immediate effect. "Prior to its announcement the bulk of the our mail was to do something to reward the safe driver; since the Plan has become known, we no longer hear that request, and have assumed that our letter writers now fall into the minority of drivers who will be paying the surcharge," he stated.

The State Board Member went on to point out that the plan is set up on a point system which provides four points for driving while intoxicated, hit-and-run, or negligent homicide with a motor vehicle; 2 points for accidents not falling under exemptions involving clear-cut blame for operator of the other vehicle involved; and 1 point for moving traffic violations.

Dr. Strain concluded his speech by pointing out "This is a sound plan for the insurance buying public. It puts the cost where the cost should be, and it does NOT provide any extra dollars for insurance companies. It is a good plan which, if necessary, can be altered if experience shows it needs altering in the future."

**Wrapping the Gift
Is Important Job**

While half of the fun of giving gifts is in the wrapping, the giver should exercise care to be certain that the package does justice to the gift itself. Plan your wrapping program carefully. Here are some helpful suggestions:

1. Do your gift wrapping on a solid surface.
2. Measure wrapping paper before cutting.
3. Fold corners carefully and fasten them securely.
4. Make bow separately, then tie or attach to package with clear tape.
5. Be sure ribbon matches colors in wrapping paper.
6. Don't use dainty designs or pastel colors for a man's gift.
7. Don't use wrapping paper featuring big designs to wrap small packages.

**Simple Rules Will Help
Keep Your Tree 'Fresh'**

Here are some things you should remember before relying too much on any "fireproofing" materials to protect your Christmas tree:

1. There is no substitute for a "fresh" tree.
 2. Nothing protects and preserves a tree better than water.
- So, for a safe Christmas, buy a "fresh" tree and see that it has enough water to keep it fresh.
- Waiting until the last minute to purchase your tree doesn't assure that it will be fresh, as you have no way of knowing how long the tree has been cut and "drying out" on the sales lot. Shop early for your tree, be sure that it is still fresh and moist—then keep it in plenty of water while it is in use.

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY.

Letters To Santa

Monahans, Texas

Dear Santa,
It's snowing here. It will never be white like where you live but we are glad for just a little bit.

Nick and I have been as good as can be expected I guess. I hope you don't have any trouble finding our letter in Papa's paper.

Santa if we aren't at our house Christmas, will you

THE LOCKNEY BEACON, LOCKNEY, TEXAS, DEC. 24, 1959

please bring our presents to Aunt Dora Faye's house because we will be there.

Nicky wants a freight train and a truck and a crash helmet like the go-kart drivers wear.

I want a doll buggy and a sweet baby doll. I would like for it to have a little suit case for it's clothes.

Remember my grandparents who live a long way off.

We love you,
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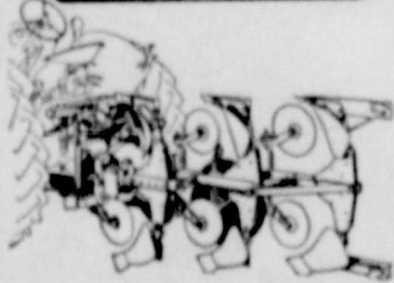
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Committee Cites Reasons For Youth Problems

The various factors surrounding juvenile delinquency constitute many problems facing today's children and youth. But delinquency in itself is a problem affecting only a small minority of young Texans.

The Governor's Committee for the 1960 White House Conference on Children and Youth conducted extensive studies of delinquency, its causes and cures. And much of the responsibility, it was found, lies on

the doorsteps of the communities.

Because of its findings, the Committee recommended that communities tackle the problem on an every-day basis in the following areas:

Schools, law enforcement, juvenile court and probation, churches, youth participation and recreation, youth employment and health.

Emphasis was placed on the need for continuing work within communities to prevent delinquency by affirmative action in those areas which affect youth development.

Highlights of the Committee's findings include:

1. The moral, religious, and value decay within many homes has given rise to growth

BANK NOTES by Malcolm

DID YOU KNOW...

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Subscription Price To Beacon Going Up First Of Year

Subscription prices on The Lockney Beacon will be higher after January 1st, 1960. The Beacon has been \$2.00 per year in the county and \$2.50 per year outside Floyd County for the past eight years while prices of paper and almost everything that goes into a newspaper has continued to rise. The Beacon publishers want all the subscriptions we can get but we feel we must, of necessity, raise the subscription price.

Effective January 1st, 1960, The Beacon will be \$2.50 per year in Floyd County and \$3.00 per year outside the county. We will continue to accept either new or renewal subscriptions at the old rate until January 1st but will not accept subscriptions more than two years in advance or paid to a date later than January 1st, 1962.

The difference in the subscription rate inside the county and outside the county is necessary because of the difference in postage. Due to a postal subsidy on second class mail, the cost of mailing The Beacon to subscribers in Floyd County is very little while it costs considerably more when mailing outside the county.

Remember that you can save money on both papers when you renew The Beacon combined with your favorite daily newspaper. We have special rates on the combination.



Many thanks for your loyal friendship and patronage. If good wishes were snowflakes, we'd snow you under a blizzard of them! Have a wonderful holiday season!

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Sincere Wishes FOR THE HOLIDAY

We extend to you our sincerest holiday greetings. May you enjoy the Peace, Hope and Love which is Christmas.

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Mrs. Fred Huggins Mrs. Arthur Brown

of delinquency.

2. In the field of law enforcement, there is an inability to cope with the lack of respect by youthful offenders for the individual and property rights of citizens; insufficient personnel trained in servicing youth; lack of respect for police and lack of concern on the part of communities for law enforcement.

3. In the area of treatment of juvenile offenders, a need was noted in the fields of rehabilitation and diagnosis, probation, detention, parole. Understaffed — or none at all — juvenile probation departments and lack of treatment facilities for the mentally ill and severely disturbed child also were cited.

4. In the field of prevention, the identified areas of concern were vocational guidance and job responsibility training for young people; community action for the creation of local youth employment opportunities; child protective services to help prevent child neglect; early treatment of the prospective delinquent, and community action to utilize resources available to deter delinquency.

The Governor's committee cited numerous individual problems which contribute to the delinquency of children. Many of these revolved around the home and the relationship between the child and his parents. The studies showed that a great majority of the Texas public feels that parents today aren't doing as good a job of raising their children as did parents of yester year. The general opinion was that youth is losing out on the values of family togetherness, the time, attention and personal care of their own parents.

Many such problems brought about by lack of parental guidance have been covered in this series of articles. The specific problem of juvenile delinquency, although not a major one at this time, can best be coped with on a community basis, the Governor's Committee reported. It was recommended that White House Conference committees be organized and maintained on a continuing basis in every county to spotlight community problems and formulate step-by-step plans for the control and prevention of delinquency.

These and other findings of the State Committee were aired at the Governor's Conference in Austin on December 5. Texas delegates will take the complete Committee report with them to the White House Conference in Washington, March 27-April 2.

The social drinkers are a greater menace than commonly believed as their critical judgment is impaired with a fairly low alcohol concentration and they outnumber the obviously intoxicated drivers.

In spite of past and present efforts to increase safety education and traffic enforcement too many drinking drivers are still operating on our streets and highways.



To you and yours, the peace and joy of Christmas with sincere best wishes from us.

LUKE'S SHOP

Mr. and Mrs. Luke Grantham



At this joyful season, we take pleasure in extending to you

Season's greetings

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O. Holy Night

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Season's Greetings

To all of our wonderful friends and neighbors... we hope that Santa arrives bearing a sleigh-load of all the good things in life. May the season find you rich in the blessings of Happiness, Peace and Health. The season's best to all.

JACKSON TIRE COMPANY

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Jackson
Richard Wiley Floyd Barber
"Cai" Dalgado

1960 Statewide Swine Carcass Program Given

College Station. — Mr. Swine... would you be interested in information regarding the carcass value of the hogs on your farm? T. D. Crasley, extension animal husbandman, says it will be available to purebred breeders and commercial producers who enter animals in the 1960 statewide swine carcass tests to be concluded during the ninth annual Swine Short Course at Texas A & M, April 4 and 5.

Major changes have been made in the 1960 tests. Tanksley points out that producers entering pigs in the tests must deliver them to A&M between January 2 and 15, 1960, and weights between 40 and 160 pounds. All 1960 entries will be fed and finished on concrete feeding floors. The uniform management emphasizes the specialist will help identify the "meaty" seedstock because the major differences in carcass desirability will be a result of the hogs' breeding.

Barrows and gilts may be entered as can purebreds or crosses. Each person is limited to two entries. They may be

littermates if the carcass records are to be used in the breed meat-type certification program. Entries must have been tarrowed between September 15 and November 15, 1959, and must be accompanied by a health certificate when delivery is made to A & M.

All pigs will be purchased by the Animal Husbandry Department but each will be earmarked and entered in the tests in the breeder's name. Information on gains and carcass characteristics will be provided on each animal.

Tanksley says the changes from former tests will permit hog value to be figured on a live weight basis, including dressing percentage.

The animal husbandman says that county agents now have complete details on the tests and will be glad to answer any questions producers might have. Tanksley reminds that all swine producers, including 4-H and FFA members, are eligible to enter animals. "It's all a part of our continuing search," he says, "for a better meat-type hog."

1959 Traffic Safety Totals (First 10 months of 1959 thru Nov. 15) — 3,940 Dead, 111,930 Injured, 268,000 Crashes, \$302,000,000 Estimated Economic Loss, 38 Billion, 200 Million Miles Traveled

Two Men Gave 'Silent Night' To the World

The words of that famous carol, "Silent Night, Holy Night," will ring this Christmas in many different corners of the earth. In the mountain town of Oberndorf, Austria, however, they will probably ring clearer and more distinctly. For it was here, some 141 years ago, that the carol was sung for the first time.

The background story of this famous song begins on a sad note, for that night of December 23, 1818, Father Joseph Mohr, the parish priest, and his friend Franz Xavier Gruber, schoolmaster and church organist, had made a depressing discovery: that mice had eaten away the bellows of the church organ, and there would be no music for Christmas services.

Storn Lifts
As the two men were making their way through the wind and snow-swept streets of the village, it is said, the storm suddenly lifted and suddenly all was serene. Father Mohr looked up to the snowy peaks and clear skies and muttered to himself, "Silent Night, Holy Night. All is calm, all is bright."

Immediately Gruber repeated the words, and both men were struck with the same idea—the beginning of a Christmas carol. The two hurried on to the schoolmaster's house and there, for the rest of the night, worked diligently on a melody and suitable verses. Remembering that there would be no organ music, they kept the melody simple, one that could be played easily on a guitar.

Holiday Music
There was music that Christmas in Oberndorf, after all, for Father Mohr and Franz Gruber led the villagers in the first public singing of what has become perhaps the best-loved of all Christmas Carols.

The organ that wouldn't play also figured in the popularization of the Oberndorf carol. The song became traditional in the Oberndorf region, but in the year 1830 when an organ builder came to fix the organ he heard the song, memorized it, and carried it across the mountains—and to the world.

One year after the organ builder memorized the song and carried it with him from town to town and village to village, the carol was included in presentation of a musical festival in Leipzig, Germany.

Great orchestras and great singers "discovered" the song and in the ensuing years it has become a part of our Christmas heritage. Father Mohr never lived to see the greatness the song would achieve. He died in 1848 and his parishioners had to pay for the burial of the poor, but dedicated priest, Gruber, the schoolmaster, lived 15 years longer, but also died poor and obscure, perhaps—perhaps not—aware that the world would always be thankful for "Silent Night, Holy Night."

South Plains Scouts To Attend Jamboree In Colorado Springs

John Thomas, of Ralls, the South Plains Council Boy Scout Jubilee Jamboree Chairman has announced that plans for the 1960 Boy Scout Jamboree are complete for the South Plains Contingent.

The South Plains Contingent will leave the Lubbock area by bus July 18th, 1960, at 8:00 a.m. After lunch in Dalhart and a rest stop at Raton, New Mexico, the 280 Scouts and Leaders will spend the night in Pueblo, Colorado, July 19th will be spent in Denver. Arrangements have been made to spend the night at the University of Denver.

The Scouts will arrive at the

Jubilee Jamboree Campsite (across the Highway from the new Air Force Academy) on July 20th and spend the day setting up camp.

July 21st will give the Scouts an opportunity for Sightseeing around the Colorado Springs area.

Highlight for the day will be to the top of Pike's Peak via the Cog Railway.

The Jubilee Jamboree will open July 22nd with some 50,000 Scouts and leaders in attendance from the United States and foreign countries.

Many events will be staged at the Jamboree such as a full scale rodeo, TV shows, arena shows, and Scoutcraft skills.

Jamboree operation will be set up to serve a city of 50,000 with its own fire departments, bus line, post office, bank, hospitals, barbershops, super-

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market tradin' post, telephone exchange and places for religious worship. Tons of food will disappear as the Scouts prepare their own food over open fires. With 50,000 inhabitants will form the greatest tent city in the world.

The South Plains Council quota of 280 Scouts and leaders has been accepted. Applications to attend the Jamboree are still being accepted on a "waiting list" basis.

Thomas has announced that the following veteran Scouters will serve as leaders for the South Plains Council Contingent: Doug Pitts, Matador; Raymond Ross, Merton; O. C. Rankin, Whiteface; R. T. Wilson, Brownfield; John Schoolfield, Brownfield; Allyn Cox, Jimmie Wilson, Floydada; Bill

Mayes, Ralls; Mark Geeslin, Jayton; T. J. Thompson, Ralls; Ike White, Earl Bird; Claude Brown, Sam Henry, Jr.; M. L. Stiles, Billy Foster, Jim Halsey, Gary Milburn, and Frank McNeil, all of Lubbock.

LOCKNEY LODGE
No. 867
A. F. & A. M.

Regular meeting night, third Tuesday of each month. Members urged to attend. Visitors welcome.

JOHN L. HOOTEN, W. M.
D. E. LATIMER, Sec'y



May happiness and contentment enter your home to bring you a Joyful Christmas

J. E. Cox Insurance
MR. AND MRS. J. E. COX MRS. GRACE FOWLER

Greetings

Good wishes and greetings go from us to you at Christmas time, with the hope that you and yours may enjoy all the happiness that goes with a real old-fashioned Yuletide.

AIKEN ELEVATOR
Charlie Andrews, Manager

54 Redfish Sent From Gulf Coast To Pecos River

Rockport. — Another shipment of 54 tagged redfish from the Gulf Coast of Texas has been sent to the Pecos River area, according to the director of the marine laboratory here.

The redfish were collected from Matagorda Bay by Don Day and Jim Lyon. Each was approximately 12 inches in length.

This is a part of the program to transplant salt water fish from the Gulf Coast to West Texas streams of high salinity. Several other such transplants have been made in recent years, and a number of the redfish have been caught by fishermen from the Pecos.

Biologists doubt if the redfish will reproduce in the Pecos, but a careful study is being made of those fish being caught, and fishermen have been asked to cooperate in sending in tags of fish caught in the area.

Small amounts of alcohol reduce judgment, self-control and driving ability.

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Season's Greetings

We send you these greetings with the sincere hope that they find you together with all your loved ones, enjoying the peace and happiness of Christmas. May all the joys of the season remain with you throughout the year ahead.

WHITE AUTO STORE
Carl Irene Junior

Greetings

To all our valued patrons:
our warmest thanks for the privilege of serving you during the year now drawing to a close and our very best wishes for your happiness and success in the new year now dawning.

Paymaster Gin Paymaster Farm
Aiken, Texas

WHITE DISCUSSES YEAR - END FARM PRICES AND CONDITIONS

(The following article on farm prices and conditions comes from John C. White, Commissioner of the Texas Department of Agriculture.)

So now we come to the end of one of the best production years Texas agriculture ever had — but net farm income is dropping down a full 15 per cent below 1958.

The 1959 Texas cotton crop is estimated at around 4,500,000 bales, compared with 4,308,000 bales in 1958. Sorghum grain production is figured at about 277,000,000 bushels for 1959, a little up from the 273,066,000 bushels harvested in 1958.

Rice production for the year is running at 13,136,000 hundredweight, against 11,938,000 cwt. in 1958. The corn crop is due to exceed 41,366,000 bushels, also up from 1958. The Rio

Grande Valley is well under way with at least a nine million box citrus season, up two million from 1958 and the first real bumper season since the disastrous freeze in 1951.

Ranges and livestock in general are in their best condition in the past 10 years. There were an estimated 8,510,000 cattle on Texas ranges at the beginning of the year, along with 5,355,000 sheep, and there are more now.

But cotton is the cheapest for any December in a decade. Corn is bringing \$1.12 a bushel, compared with \$1.21 a year ago. Overproduction and cheapness of corn is going to have its effect on the vital Texas sorghum grain market — if not this year, certainly next year. Livestock markets, seldom robust and always highly sensi-



GIFT FOR BOYS . . . Self-adjusting caps of the style shown above make ideal gift for boys. Caps come in age groups, from four years up and are styled for winter wear with ear muffs, stormband lapel and interlining. Because they are self-adjusting, they "grow with the boy" and can be worn season after season.

...tive, are showing signs of weakening in the face of heavy production.

There is a drastic squeeze in the parity ratio — in relation to the prices they pay, the prices received by farmers in 1959 are the lowest in 19 years. The farmer's share of each dollar spent by the consumer has dropped to 38 cents, lowest since 1942. The most authoritative sources agree that farm income is due to fall somewhat lower next year — in other words, things are liable to get worse before they get any better.

About the only flat statement concerning the U. S. farm problem on which you can get anywhere near unanimous agreement is this: Something is wrong. Try to go any further than that and you are likely to learn at first hand just how controversial this farm problem can become.

Few workers retain their usual composure when the clock says it's time to stop work.

Home Making Hints
by Phyllis Roggendorff
County Home Demonstration Agent

The holiday season is nearly here. Are you beginning to worry about the company meals or refreshments you will be serving? You can avoid a lot of last minute fuss and confusion by advance planning and preparation.

You can plan ahead on what you will serve, when it will be prepared, how it will be served, and table decorations. If you have a freezer, don't forget to use it so some of the food can be prepared several days ahead of time.

A bulletin entitled "Food and Fun with Friends," will help in planning. It gives information on invitations, introductions of guests, recipes and suggestions for preparing refreshment plates for large or small parties. Teenagers in the family will

find the information helpful too.

The bulletin is free. You may come by or call for a copy.

HOME DEMONSTRATION COUNCIL PARTY

The council party last Saturday, December 12, was enjoyed by all that attended. The committees worked effectively before the party and refreshments were delicious, the decorations were attractive, and the recreation was fitting for the occasion. I'd like to thank these committees for their efforts. Decide time and place: Mrs. R. L. Bullock, Mrs. Grigsby Milton and Mrs. H. S. Waller; refreshments and table, Mrs. R. H. Tinsley, Mrs. Kenneth Brose, Mrs. Sam Jones; decorations, Mrs. O. G. Mayfield, Mrs. Monroe Schulz, Mrs. John Shipley; recreation, Mrs. L. B. Brandes, Mrs. Hoyette Hodges, Mrs. Ronald Evans.

Mrs. A. H. Kreis, County THDA chairman, presented the THDA pins to a member from each club who was selected by her club members as an outstanding member. Those were presented to: Mrs. G. W. Smith, Dougherty; Mrs. Monroe Schulz, Harmony; Mrs. Elmer Norrell, Homebuilders; Mrs. Earl Edwards, Sr., Lakeview; Mrs. Henry Bollman, Lockney; Mrs. W. D. Nance, Lone Star St., Mrs. Sam Jones, Providence; Mrs. H. F. Jackson, Sandhill; Mrs. Grigsby Milton and Mrs. J. K. West, South Plains; Mrs. John Shipley and Mrs. Tom Porter, Starkey; Mrs. Virgil Adams, Sterley. The pin was also presented to Mrs. Arion Miller, Sandhill, who has served as the County THDA chairman for the past two years.

The last days of the year are the best. And they've finally come. Our Christmas wish is that they be filled with extreme happiness for you and your family.

BROWN GULF SERVICE
ARTHUR BROWN

May a wreath of good fellowship and happiness be round you and yours during this Holiday Season... this is our most sincere wish.

U & I LAUNDRY
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ragle



Greetings

Let us rededicate ourselves to the way of life He asked of us as we celebrate the time of our Saviour's birth.

LENA FAE STORE

LENA FAE SWEATT



Season's Greetings

Away we go, full speed ahead! We just couldn't wait another minute to tell you how deeply we appreciate your loyal friendship and patronage and to extend to you and your family our very warmest wishes for a holiday season bright with all the great blessings life has to offer!

PYLANT GROCERY & MARKET

MR. AND MRS. O. V. PYLANT



Season's Greetings

With all the traditional good will and warmth of the Holiday season, we wish the best of everything to our loyal patrons and thank them most heartily for the opportunity of serving them during the past year.

HIGH PLAINS MOTOR CO. & PARTS SUPPLY

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ZONING ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING DISTRICTS, REGULATING THE SIZE OF BUILDINGS AND OTHER STRUCTURES AND PERCENTAGE OF LOT THAT MAY BE OCCUPIED AND FOR WHAT PURPOSES, AND THE SIZE OF YARDS AND OTHER OPEN SPACES, THE DENSITY OF POPULATION, THE LOCATION AND USES OF BUILDINGS, TRADE, INDUSTRY, COMMERCE, RESIDENCE OR OTHER PURPOSES, AND THE ERECTION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, ALTERATION, REPAIR OR USE OF BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES OR LAND, WITHIN SUCH DISTRICTS; ADOPTING A ZONING MAP SHOWING THE ACTUAL LOCATION OF SUCH DISTRICTS; PROVIDING FOR A METHOD OF ENFORCEMENT, FOR THE INTERPRETATION OF THE ORDINANCE, DEFINING CERTAIN WORDS, PROVIDING FOR A BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT FOR PENALTIES, FOR AMENDMENT AND CHANGES, AND A SAVING CLAUSE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOCKNEY, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. INTERPRETATION AND PURPOSES. The zoning regulations and districts herein established, have been made in accordance with a comprehensive plan, for the purpose of promoting health, safety, morals and the general welfare of the City of Lockney. They have been designed to lessen congestion in the streets, to secure safety from fire, panic and other danger, to provide adequate light and air; to prevent the overcrowding of land, to avoid undue concentration of population, to facilitate transportation, water sewerage, schools, parks and other public requirements. They have been made with reasonable consideration, among other things, for the character of the district and for its peculiar suitability for particular uses, and with a view to conserving the value of the buildings and encouraging the most appropriate use of the land throughout the City of Lockney.

SECTION 2. ZONING DISTRICTS AND MAP. Zoning regulations and districts, as herein set forth, are approved and established. The City of Lockney is hereby divided into classes of Use Districts as shown upon the Zoning Map which is adopted with and is declared to be a part of this Ordinance, and shall be considered as much a part of the same as if the matters of information set forth thereby were all fully contained and described herein. Said map shall, on its face, be identified and verified in the manner following: It shall bear the title "ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF LOCKNEY, TEXAS" and shall bear even date with the passing of this Ordinance, it shall bear the names of the City Council, the Mayor and City Clerk. The original of said map shall be kept in the proper place in the Municipal Building and a replica thereof shall be produced upon paper in such reduced scale as will permit of such replica copy being pasted upon and attached to a page of the Ordinance records immediately following transcription herein of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. USE DISTRICTS.
"A" DWELLING DISTRICT — Buildings or land in any portion of the city may be used for this classification; but in an "A" District no building or land shall be used, and no building or structure shall be hereafter erected or structurally altered which is arranged or designed to be used for other than one or more of the following uses:

- (1) One family dwellings.
- (2) Public School, Park or Playground.
- (3) Accessory buildings, private garage and servant quarters located not less than 60 feet from front line (no provisions on side streets).
- (4) Incidental uses: uses customarily incidental to any of the above uses, when situated in the same dwelling and not involving the conduct of a business, including customary home occupations when engaged in by the occupants of the dwellings; such as dressmaker, the office of a physician, surgeon, dentist, musician or artist, when used as his or her private dwelling. Said incidental use, however, shall never be permitted as a principal use, but only as a secondary use when indispensably necessary to the enjoyment of the premises for any of the uses permitted by this section and actually made of the premises but not otherwise.
- (5) Signs: no window display, no name plate exceeding two (2) square feet in area, no temporary bulletin board or sign board exceeding twelve (12) square feet in area appertaining to the lease, hire, or sale or construction of a building or premises, nor advertising sign of any other character shall be permitted in any "A" District.
- (6) No new construction of dwelling containing less than 1200 square feet of floor space.

"B" DWELLING DISTRICT — Buildings or land, in any portion of the city except in an "A" District, may be used for any of the following uses; but in a "B" District no building or land shall be used, and no building or structure shall be hereafter erected or structurally altered which is arranged or designed to be used for other than one or more of the following uses:

- (1) Any use permitted in an "A" or "B" District.
- (2) Boarding and lodging houses.
- (3) Hospitals and clinics.
- (4) Hotels.
- (5) Institutions of a philanthropic nature.
- (6) Libraries and museums.
- (7) Multiple dwellings, apartment houses and group houses. DOES NOT include tourist courts.
- (8) Private clubs, fraternities, sororities, lodges, excepting those whose chief activities are services customarily carried on as a business.
- (9) No new construction of dwellings containing less than 600 square feet of floor space.

"C-1" DWELLING DISTRICT — Any use permitted in an "A", "B" or "C" District BUT no new construction shall be allowed that does not contain at least 300 square feet of floor space.

"D" DISTRICT — RETAIL BUSINESS DISTRICT.
(1) Any use permitted in any of the foregoing districts.
(2) Parking of automobiles and trailers (including house trailers).
(3) Tourist Courts.
(4) Any kind of retail sales or services to patrons except manufacturing plants, processing plants, slaughter houses and poultry houses.

"E" DISTRICT — INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT.
(1) Any use permitted in any of the foregoing districts.
(2) Manufacturing plants.
(3) Processing Plants, (BUT NOT including cotton gins, rendering plants, cotton seed acid delinting plants, or any processing or manufacturing plant which is noxious or offensive by reason of the emission of odor, dust, gas fumes, noise or vibration).
(4) Grain Elevators.
(5) Blacksmith Shops.
(6) Poultry Houses.
(7) Machine Shops.
(8) Veterinary Hospital.
(9) Cannery.
(10) Petroleum products, wholesale storage.
(11) Fertilizer storage.
(12) Building materials storage yards, lumber yards.

NEWLY ANNEXED TERRITORY — All territory annexed to the City of Lockney, Texas hereafter shall be classified as "A", single-family dwelling district, until permanently zoned by the Governing Body of the City of Lockney. The City Zoning Commission shall as soon as practicable, after annexation of any territory to the City of Lockney, institute proceeding on its own motion to give the newly annexed territory a permanent zoning and the procedure to be followed shall be the same as is provided for the adoption of original zoning regulations.

SECTION 4. FRONT YARDS.
(1) In the "A" Districts there shall be a front yard having a depth of not less than 25 feet, from property line to building.
(2) In the "B" Districts there shall be a front yard having a depth of not less than 20 feet, from property line to building.
(3) In the "C" and "C-1" Districts there shall be a front yard having not less depth from the property line than 15 feet.

SECTION 5. REAR AND SIDE YARDS.
Not less than five feet from property lines for dwelling area, and not less than three feet from property line for garage.

SECTION 6. SPECIAL AREA REGULATIONS.
(1) On any lot on which a front yard is required by this ordinance no wall, fence, shrub, hedge tree shall be erected, planted, maintained, or set up within 25 feet of the corner of the lot at any street intersection if it exceeds three feet in height.

SECTION 7. NON-CONFORMING USES.
(1) Any use of property existing at the time of the passage of this ordinance that does not conform to the regulations prescribed in the preceding sections of this ordinance shall be deemed a non-conforming use; except that any duplex or apartment use existing at the time of the passage of this ordinance shall be deemed a conforming use. Any lawful use existing within a building at the time of the passing of this ordinance, in any business, industrial or manufacturing district, shall be deemed a conforming use upon the lot devoted to such use at the time of the passage of this ordinance.
(2) The lawful use of land existing at the time of the passage of this ordinance, al-

though such does not conform to the provision hereof, may be continued, but if such non-conforming use is discontinued, any future use of said premises shall be in conformity with the provisions of this ordinance.
If a building occupied by a non-conforming use is destroyed by fire or the elements it may not be reconstructed or rebuilt except to conform with the provisions of this ordinance.
(3) The lawful use of the building at the time of the passage of this ordinance may be continued, although such does not conform to the provisions hereof, and such use may be extended throughout the building provided no structural alteration, except those required by law or ordinance are made therein. If no structural alterations are made, a non-conforming use of the building may be changed to another non-conforming use of the same or more restricted classification; provided, however, that in the event a non-conforming use of the building is once changed to a non-conforming use of a higher or more restricted classification, it shall not later revert to the former lower or less restricted classification.
(4) The right of non-conforming use to continue shall be subject to such regulations as to maintenance of the premises and conditions of operation as may in the judgment of the City Zoning Commission be reasonably required for the protection of adjacent property.
(5) Nothing in this ordinance shall be taken to prevent restoration of a building destroyed to the extent of not more than fifty-one (51%) per cent of its reasonable value by fire, explosion or other casualty or act of God, nor the continued occupancy or use of such building, or part thereof, which existed at the time of such partial destruction.

SECTION 8. ZONING MAP DESIGNATIONS.
(1) When definite distances in feet are not shown on the zoning map the district boundaries on the zoning map are intended to be along existing street, alley or property lines or extensions of or from the same.
(2) Where the street layout actually on the ground varies from the street layout as shown on the zoning map, the Zoning Commission may apply the designation shown on the map to carry out the intent and purpose of the plan for the particular area in question.

SECTION 9. CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY AND COMPLIANCE.
(1) No building hereafter erected or structurally altered shall be used, occupied or changed in use until a certificate of occupancy and compliance shall have been issued by the city inspector stating that the building or proposed use of a building or premises complies with the building laws and the provisions of these regulations.
(2) Certificates of occupancy and compliance shall be applied for coincident with the application for building permit and shall be issued with ten (10) days after the erection or structural alterations of such building shall have been completed in conformity with the provisions of these regulations. A record of all certificates shall be kept on file in the city office and copies shall be furnished on request to any person having a property or tenancy interest in the building affected.
(3) No permit for excavation for any building shall be issued before application has been made for a certificate of occupancy and compliance.

SECTION 10. CITY OF LOCKNEY ZONING COMMISSION AND BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT.
(1) There is hereby created a board of adjustment consisting of five (5) members, each to be appointed by the City Council for a term of two years and removable for cause by the appointing authority. Vacancies shall be filled by the appointment by the original appointing authority of a suitable person to serve out the unexpired term of any member whose place on the Board has become vacant for any cause.
The Board is hereby vested with power and authority, in appropriate cases and subject to appropriate conditions and safeguards to make such exemptions to the terms of this ordinance in harmony with its general purposes and intents and in accordance with general or special rules therein contained for the purpose of rendering full justice and equity to the general public.
The Board may adopt rules to govern its proceedings provided, however, that such rules are not inconsistent with this ordinance and that such other times as the Board may determine. The chairman, or in his absence, the acting chairman, may administer oath and compel the attendance of witnesses. All meetings of the Board shall be open to the public. The Board shall keep minutes of its proceedings, showing the vote of each member upon each question, or if absent, or failing to vote, indicate such fact, and shall keep records of its examinations and other official acts, all of which shall be filed immediately in the office of the Board and shall be a public record.
(2) Appeals to the Board of Adjustment can be taken by any person aggrieved or by any officer or department of the municipality affected by any decision of the Board. Such appeal shall be taken within fifteen (15) days' time after the decision has been rendered

by the Board, by filing with the Board, a notice of Appeal specifying the grounds thereof.
An appeal shall stay all proceedings of the action appealed from unless such a stay would, in the Board's opinion, cause an imminent peril to life or property. In such cases proceedings shall not be stayed otherwise than by a restraining order granted by the Board or a court of record.
The Board shall fix a reasonable time for the hearing of an appeal, give the public notice thereof, as well as due notice to the parties in interest and decide the same within a reasonable time. Upon the hearing any party may appear in person or by attorney or by agent.
(3) The Board of Adjustment shall have the following powers:
(a) To hear and decide appeals where it is alleged there is an error in any order, requirement, decision or determination made in the enforcement of this ordinance.
(b) To hear and decide special exceptions to the terms of the ordinance upon which the Board is required to pass under this ordinance.
(c) To authorize upon appeal in special cases, such variances from the terms of the ordinance as will not be contrary to the public interest, where, owing to special conditions, the literal enforcement of the provisions of the ordinance will result in unnecessary hardship, and so that the spirit of this ordinance shall be observed and substantial justice done.
(d) The concurring vote of three (3) members of the Board shall be necessary to revise any order, requirement, decision or determination, or to decide in favor of the application on any matter upon which it is required to pass under this ordinance, or to affect any variance in said ordinance.
(e) Any person or persons aggrieved by any decision of the Board, any taxpayer, any officer, or department of the Municipality may present to a court of record a petition, duly verified, setting forth that such decision is illegal, in whole or in part, specifying the grounds of the illegality. Such petitions shall be presented to the court within ten (10) days after the filing of the decision in the Office of the Board and not thereafter.

SECTION 11. PENALTY FOR VIOLATION.
Any person or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance or fail to comply therewith or with any of the requirements thereof, or who shall build or alter any buildings in violation of any detailed statement or plan submitted and approved hereunder, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be subject to fine of not more than two hundred (\$200.00) dollars, and each day such violation shall constitute a separate offense. The owner or owners of any building or premises or part thereof, where anything in violation of this ordinance shall be placed, or shall exist, any architect, builder, contractor, agent, person or corporation, employed in connection therewith and who may have assisted in the commission of such violation, shall be guilty of a separate offense and upon conviction thereof shall be fined as provided above.

SECTION 12. DEFINITIONS.
The following shall apply in the interpretation and enforcement of this ordinance, to wit:
(1) Words used in the present tense include the future; words in the singular number include the plural number; the words in the plural number include the singular number; the word "building" includes the word "structure"; the word "lot" includes the word "plot"; the ordinance. Meetings of the Board shall be held at the call word "shall" is mandatory and not discretionary.
(2) APARTMENT HOUSE: A room or suite of rooms in an apartment house or tenement arranged, designed or occupied as the residence of a single family, individual, or group of individuals.

(3) APARTMENT HOUSE: A building or portion thereof arranged designed or occupied by three (3) or more families living independently of each other.
(4) BOARDING HOUSE: A building other than a hotel where lodging and meals for five (5) or more persons are served for compensation.
(5) COURTS, TOURIST: A building or group of buildings designed, arranged or used for temporary occupancy having accommodations for housing or parking automobiles in close proximity to the quarters occupied by the owner of such automobile and providing for three (3) or more such quarters.
(6) COURTS, TRAILER: An area designed and used for the temporary occupation by automobile trailer or tent quarters and providing for one (1) or more such quarters.
(7) CUSTOMARY HOME OCCUPATIONS: Occupations ordinarily carried on in a home that are not detrimental or injurious to adjoining property. These may include serving meals or renting rooms to not more than five (5) persons not members of the household, dressmaking, millinery, washing and ironing. Customary home occupations shall NOT include barbershops, flower shops, carpenter shops, electric-

ians shops, plumbers shops, radio shops, tinners shops, transfer or moving van offices, auto repairing or sign painting.
(8) DISTRICT: A section of the city for which the regulations governing the area, height and use of building are uniform.
(9) NON-CONFORMING USES: A building or premises occupied by a use that does not conform to the regulations of the use in the district in which it is situated.
(10) STRUCTURAL ALTERATIONS: Any change in the supporting members of a building such as bearing walls, columns, beams or girders.
SECTION 13. CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS:
(1) The City Council may from time to time amend, supplement, or change by ordinance the boundaries of the Districts or the regulations herein established.
(2) A public hearing shall be held by the City Council before adopting any proposed amendment, supplement or change. Notice of such hearing shall be given by publication three times in the official publication of the City of Lockney, stating the time and place of such hearing, which time shall

not be earlier than fifteen days from the first date of publication.
(3) Any amendment, supplement or change to which there has been a protest filed with the City Clerk, duly signed and acknowledged by the owners of 20% or more, either of the area or the lots included in such proposed changes or those immediately adjacent in the rear thereof extending 200 feet from the street frontage of such opposite lots, such supplement, amendment or change shall not become effective except by a three-fourths vote of the City Council.
SECTION 14. VALIDITY CLAUSE: Should any part of this Ordinance be held invalid, no other part shall necessarily be affected thereby.
SECTION 15. EFFECTIVE DATE: Read, passed and adopted at meeting of the City Council held the 10th day of December, 1959.
J. E. Cox, Mayor, City of Lockney
A. Juanita Thompson, City Secretary

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THE LOCKNEY BEACON, LOCKNEY, TEXAS, DEC. 24, 1959

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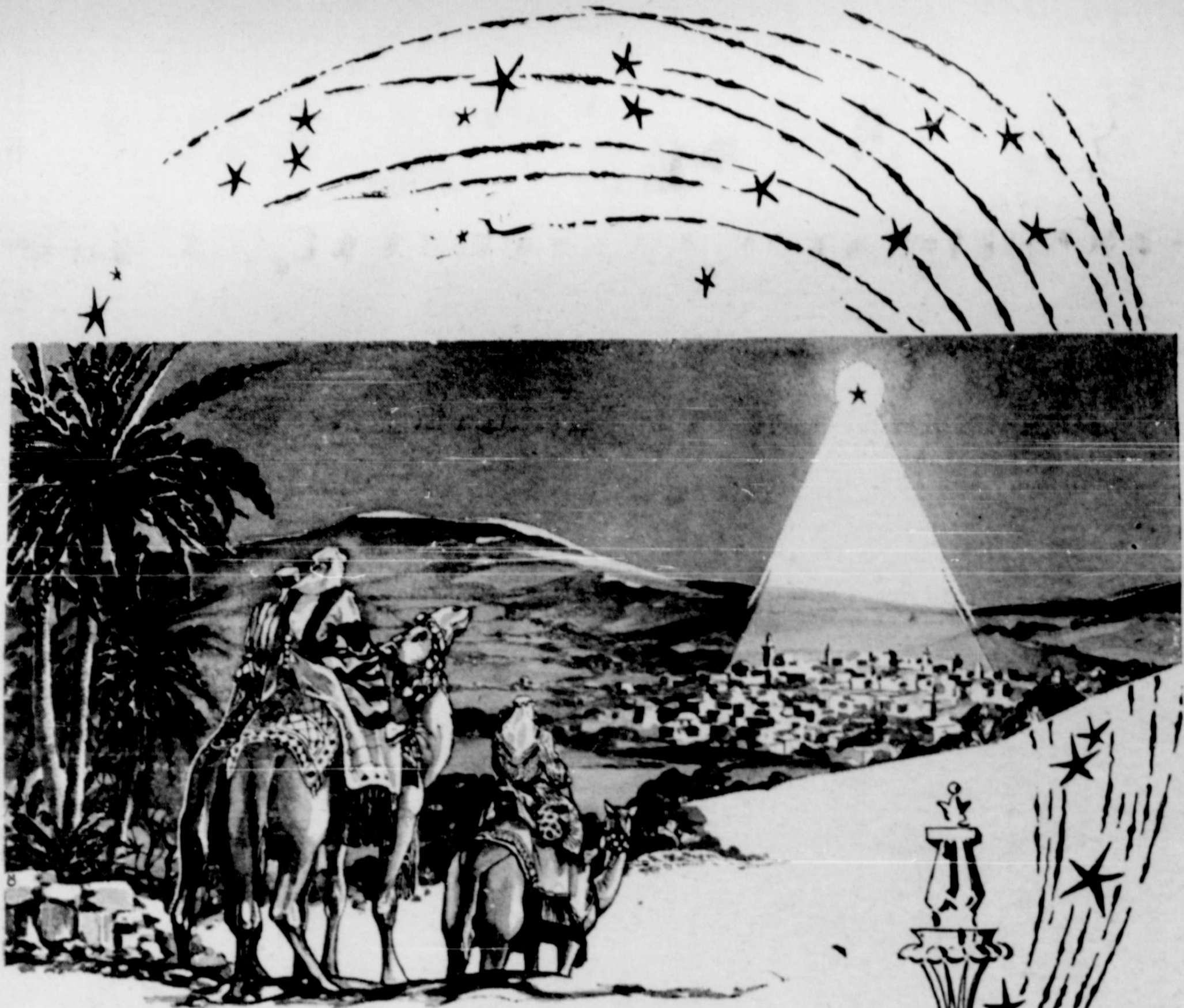
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GREETINGS
Here's a holiday tradition we really cherish... time out to tell you how much your loyal friendship and patronage mean to us and to wish you and your family a very healthy, happy and cheerful festive season!

GREEN MACHINERY CO., Inc.
1201 E. 5th Street
Plainview, Texas



Greetings for Christmas

Let us rejoice in spirit...let us be glad of heart, for Christmas is here... Christmas, rich in the enduring gifts of hope and faith, peace and good will, brought to all men by the Christ Child on that holy night long ago. May this season of joy and wonder bring to you a sustaining sense of serenity and uplifting happiness to glorify all the days of the coming year.



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Tax Assessor-Collector

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Commissioner, Precinct 1

J. D. McBRIEN
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Justice of the Peace

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CLARENCE GUFFEE
County Superintendent of Schools

W. C. PLUMLEE
Commissioner, Precinct 3

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Sheriff of Floyd County

KENNETH BAIN JR.
County Attorney

MARGARET COLLIER
County Clerk

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Licensed State Land Surveyor and
Surveyor of Floyd County



He claims the papers ought to always print it "\$290,000,000,000.00," which is a very impressive-looking figure to such individual taxpayers as do not owe that much themselves.
D. E. SCOTT
Crossroads, U. S. A.

Dear Editor:
My psychology-bent neighbor says the newspapers are to blame for us people mostly being unfrantic over the size of the national debt.

Says they print it "\$290 billion," just using the three figures, while most of us owe four or five figure debts, so we feel like we are in worse shape than the government.

GIVES UP LICENSE AT 90 MAIL-FRAUD ARRESTS

Americans were duped out of \$43,742,204 in 139 major mail fraud cases last year, Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield has revealed. He said a report by David H. Stephens, Chief Postal Inspector, showed a record number of arrests for mail fraud in the fiscal year that ended June 30.



PREVIEW . . . There are few things more exciting to the youngster who has been waiting and waiting for Christmas than slipping down the stairs to see if the jolly old gentleman has arrived. If the hour is yet too early, who's to know if a fellow decides to set up watch by the chimney and greet Ole Santa when he comes?

Who Really Sent That Very First Christmas Card?

What is generally conceded to be the first card specifically designed as a Christmas greeting—the card designed in England by J. Horsley for Sir Henry Cole (in 1843)—did not meet with an enthusiastic reception. Sent to his personal friends, Cole's card had side panels which depicted the feeding of the hungry and the clothing of the naked. This was well and good. The objections to the card arose from the illustration in the central panel—a scene in which a middle-class English family raised their wine glasses to toast an absent friend (obviously the recipient of the card). The scene so aroused temperance zealots that Cole never authored another card.

Still Looking

Actually the search for the "first" Christmas card is still going on. Although it bore no specific greeting, the New York Historical Society, some 30 years before the Horsley-Cole card, sent to members and friends of the society a woodcut of St. Nicholas, which bore a Christmas poem in both Dutch and English.

In 1832, Carl W. Drepperd discovered in a Pennsylvania attic a "broadsheet" issued about 1842 by John M. Wolff, Philadelphia printer. The sheet, 10 inches by 15 inches, featured a reproduction of C. C. Moore's "The Visit of St. Nicholas" and as well carried the greeting, "A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year."

The first commercial venture into the Christmas card business was made in 1863 when an English firm hired Punch cartoonist C. H. Bennett to illustrate a series of cards which were sold in that year as "Christmas complimentary stationery."



Merry Christmas

...and all good wishes for a completely happy holiday season

Webster Service Station

R. V. & KELLEY



Season's Greetings

Happy holidays to you and yours! We send warm wishes by the heartfelt, with the hope that the joys of the season may long endure.

Many thanks to our loyal friends! Your patronage has made this year a wonderful one for us, and we are sincerely grateful.

PANHANDLE WAREHOUSE & COMPRESS CO., Inc.

FRANK HAWKINS, Supt.

Preparation Is Important for Perfect Turkey

Turkey and all the trimmings—that's what makes a Christmas feast fit for a king.

The turkey, of course, is the most important item so great care and consideration must be given to the selection and preparation of this native American fowl.

Age, sex, and tenderness of the meat determine the market class of the bird. The youngest turkeys, by far the most popular with American families today, weigh from 4 to 6 pounds.

The next class, popular with larger families weigh in from 6 to 25 pounds and is composed of toms and hens over eight months of age. These older toms tend to be stronger in taste and for that reason the hens are more popular.

Top Birds

A top quality bird should have a well-developed, moderately broad breast, well fleshed through its entire width and length. The breastbone should not protrude.

Preparing your fowl is important also. Be sure that all wingtip feathers have been removed. Any remaining ones can be pulled out by pressing the skin around the feathers down to the tips of the quills with the forefinger and thumb of one hand and pulling the feathers straight out with the other hand.

Helps Taste

By using a pair of pliers you can remove many of the heavy tendons of the legs. This greatly improves the cooking and taste of the drumsticks.

Stuff your turkey just before putting it into the oven. Use three skewers before closing the cavity. Tie a square knot after each skewer so the lacing won't tighten. This allows steam to escape and prevents soggy dressing.

And last, but important, give your turkey a chance to cool before serving. It will carve much better if you do.

"Because of the continuity of scientific activities, the future has all the potentials of a paradise. But unless there is a rebirth of ideals and greater emphasis on values, it has all the possibilities of hell."—Charles L. Anspach, President Emeritus, Central Michigan College.

To wish you joy and happiness for Christmas



...and to extend our sincere thanks to all our good friends

**LOCKNEY BUTANE COMPANY
HENRY HODEL OIL COMPANY**

PEACE... Joy... and HAPPINESS

Across the ages, the sacred message of the Babe of Bethlehem spreads a wonderful radiance through our hearts, our homes, our churches. We greet you at Christmas with the wish that peace, joy and happiness may ever be yours.

PATTERSON GRAIN COMPANY
Lockney - Sterley

Japanese Attache To Study Sorghum

Hideo Tokoro, the Japanese Agricultural Attache to the United States, will spend December 11th to 21st in Texas. He will be guest of the Grain Sorghum Producers Association as he studies grain sorghum production, marketing and utilization. Mr. Tokoro has indicated that the traditional freed grain in Japan is rice. He explains, however, that the production of livestock and poultry has expanded to the point that rice is now in short supply and must be conserved for use as food. As a result of this, Japanese food manufacturers will, in the near future, enter the world market for the purchase of feedgrains to meet the needs of their expanding economy. It is expected that Mr. Tokoro will pass

the information he gathers here relative to grain sorghum on to his government officials and agricultural leaders in Japan.

BILLBOARD PLAN HIT

Senator John Sherman Cooper has expressed the hope that the Senate - House conference committee, which will reconcile the two bills on highway financing, would eliminate the Senate's bill-board amendment. The provisions would exempt from Federal regulation those portions of interstate highways passing through incorporated municipalities having their own billboard regulations.

TRAPPED!

Portland, Ore. — A 5-year-old boy was caught red handed when he turned in a false alarm recently. Firemen found the lad at the alarm box with his finger caught in the mechanism.

HOW TO SAY Merry Christmas

As Christmas is the most universally celebrated of all world holidays, so is the expression "Merry Christmas" the most universal salutation. Here is an interesting game based upon this Yuletide salutation. See if you can match the greeting at left with the proper language on the right:

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| 1. Buon Natale! | | Hawaiian |
| 2. Glad Julen! | | Japanese |
| 3. Tin Hao Nian! | | Italian |
| 4. Chrystofjnal! | | Chinese |
| 5. Feliz Natal! | | Greek |
| 6. Joyeux Noel! | | Portuguese |
| 7. Kinge Shinnen! | | Swedish |
| 8. Mele Kalikimaka! | | French |
- ANSWERS: 1. Italian; 2. Swedish; 3. Chinese; 4. Greek; 5. Portuguese; 6. French; 7. Japanese; 8. Hawaiian.

Christmas Tree Needs Care

From the moment you bring your Christmas tree home, keep it moist if you wish to insure safety, beauty and fragrance. Of course, you have to start with a fresh tree—one that won't drop its needles when you move or shake it.

The first step is to throw cold water all over it as soon as you get it home. Then recut the stem with a new diagonal cut at least an inch above the old cut to open pores for drawing up water.

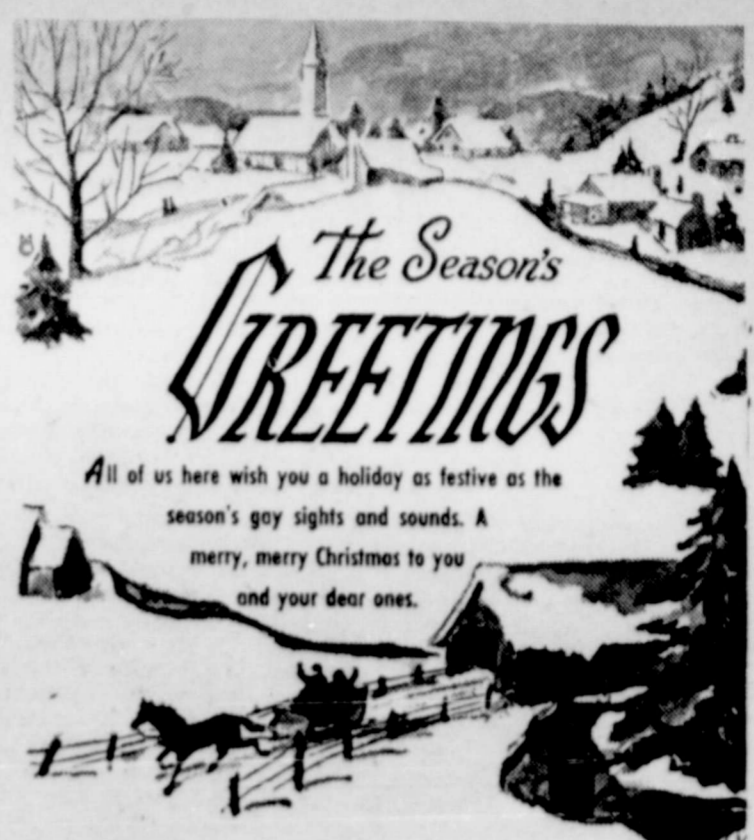
Keep Cool
Set the tree in water and keep it in a cool shady place until it is brought indoors for trimming. The first day a 3 to 6-foot tree is placed in water, it may take up a quart. After that, the water needs replenishing daily because the tree may take up a cup of water every day in a warm room.

Many chemicals have been tried for fire-proofing trees. Even substances like sugar, aspirin, or fruit acids have been used. None however, has proved as effective as plain water which keeps the tree naturally moist.

Good location for a Christmas tree is in the cool part of the room, away from radiators, fireplace, radio, TV set, or other sources of heat. They should not be placed in doorways or locations that could block exit if fire should occur.

Plan the location before you select the tree.

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY.



The Season's
GREETINGS

All of us here wish you a holiday as festive as the season's gay sights and sounds. A merry, merry Christmas to you and your dear ones.

Rowland-Gordon Oil Co.
Lockney

Kimble Optometric Clinic
6:30 to 5:30 Monday through Saturday
Appointment Not Necessary but for your Convenience
Dial YUKON 3-2496, Floydada



Best wishes of the season to all of you whose friendship and patronage we value so highly. Here's hoping your holiday joys are sweeter than candy and much more enduring!

COOPER CONOCO STATION
M. E. Cooper, Prop.

AN APPLE FOR CHRISTMAS

If there's a traditional reason, we don't know about it, but any youngster (or grownup) who hangs his stocking from the mantle shouldn't be surprised to find an apple there come Christmas morn. This isn't because Santa raises apples during his "off" season, but it does indicate the status of the apple as the "all-American" fruit.

Apples are grown in every State of the Union. More apples—and more apple pies—are produced in the United States than in any other country. In a good year about two-thirds of a bushel is grown for every man, woman and child.

The apple's ancestry is traced to immigrants. Plant students believe the progenitor of the modern apple appeared first in southwest Asia, between the Caspian and Black Seas.

Apples do not grow true from seed and for this reason most seedling apple trees are worthless. Occasionally, however, one is found with highly desirable characteristics. Such a tree can be propagated endlessly by grafting.

Discovery of a fine new apple is the plant world's equivalent of striking gold or oil. And, to our knowledge, no one has ever complained about finding a bright red apple in a Christmas stocking.

Christmas Holiday Was Once Forbidden

Christmas has not always been a "legal" holiday in this country. In 1659, the general court of Massachusetts Bay colony passed this resolution:

"Whosoever shall be found observing any such day as Christmas or the like, either by forbearing labor, feasting, or any other way, as a festival, shall be fined five shillings."

The first "legal" observance in this country is believed to have taken place in Boston in 1686 when Governor Andros conducted services in the town hall. And it was still many years later, in 1856, that the State of Massachusetts officially passed laws which permitted the observance of Christmas.

The Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth, Texas, is one of the most famed rodeos in the world, drawing thousands of cowboys and rodeo followers to Fort Worth each winter.

FOOD - STAMP PLAN

The Senate has passed a bill to continue for three years, in a modified form, the giving or selling of American surplus agricultural surpluses to friendly nations.

The vote was 68 to 14. The measure now goes to conference for adjustment of numerous Senate and House differences.

The Old West had its pirates, too. A range pirate was a man who turned his stock loose on the range without owning open range and water in proportion to the cattle turned loose.



May the Christmas holidays be filled with brightness for you and yours

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YOUR OLIVER DEALER
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We pay top prices for your hogs six days every week.
CATTLE AUCTION EVERY THURSDAY.

Contact us when you have hogs for sale.

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Wishing Our Friends
A MERRY CHRISTMAS

May we pause in the rush of this holiday season to thank our many friends whose good will throughout the year has been an inspiration to us and to wish you all the Blessings of the season.

Lockney Lumber & Supply
Leon Frank Jerry Lynn

From All of Us to You and Yours
MERRY CHRISTMAS!



Our gift to you... the comfort and convenience assured by the bright blue flame of natural gas.

At this time of the year, particularly, it is extremely gratifying to be providing a service which contributes so much to warmth and contentment in the home during the Holiday Season.

So from each and every one of us at Pioneer, Best Wishes for good health — and the happiest Christmas you've ever had!

Pioneer Natural Gas Company
FUEL FOR A GROWING EMPIRE



His mission is usually the same—but not his looks and his name—that's the Story of Santa around the world.

Santa as we know him in America today pretty well follows the description given by Clement Moore in his famous poem, "The Visit From Saint Nicholas." This truly familiar symbol of Christmas was a somewhat angular figure before Moore gave him a sleigh, twinkling eyes, cheeks like roses, nose like a cherry and a round little belly.

The idea of Santa Claus began with the Dutch and their "Santa Klaus," a contraction from St. Nicholas, legendary Bishop of Myra and the patron saint of children. Children in Holland may refer to either "Sinterklass" or "Saint Nickolas. Early settlers in America adopted the legendary figure and changed the name from "Saint Kikkolous" to Santa Kalouf" to "Santa Claus."

Pere Noel

In France, it is "Pere Noel" who visits the children, and he is usually pictured on a mule. British children, just as American, write letters to the Christmas giver of gifts, and prepare lists of the things they would like to receive. But, they direct their missives to "Father Christmas" and follow a tradition which might find favor with

American mail carriers: British children prepare their Christmas lists and throw them into the back of the fire. Supposedly, if the paper goes up the chimney, "Father Christmas" will bring all of the gifts; if the paper burns, the writer must prepare another list and try again.

Czechoslovakian children anticipate the arrival of "kezisek" or Jesus. In New Russia, "Father Frost" is the equivalent of Santa, but old Russians still call him "Baboushka." In Germany, Santa may be either "Kris Kringle," "Christkindl," or "Krieking." Italian children, who must wait until Jan. 5, the Eve of Epiphany, anticipate the arrival of "La Befana."

But, whether it's the Norwegian "Julenisse" or the Chinese "Lan Khoony-Khoong" (nice old father), "Santa," the gift-giver, is a part of Christmas nearly everywhere.

Munterville, Iowa—For all of her 100 years, Mrs. Mary Kindblake has been a member of the local Lutheran Church. She was enrolled by baptism at the age of only a few days.

And I Quote . . .

"Our children know all about what society owes them. Apparently a lesson that hasn't been taught is what they owe society." — Virginia P. Held.

"A procrastinator is one who puts off until tomorrow the things he's already put off until today." — Griff Niblack.

"Inflation, as we get it, is when everybody is so rich that no one can afford anything." — Changing Times.

"A constant drip will wear away a stone — or a welcome." — D. O. Flynn.

"One of our present troubles seems to be that too many adults, and not enough children, believe in Santa Claus." — New Orleans Blue Book.

COLD CASH!
Hampton, Va. — A burglar stole cold cash — money hidden in a refrigerator — from Joe's Grill, a local eatery, recently. He must have been determined not to handle 'hot' money!

"Keno" came from the gambling game of the same name, and cowboys often use the word to mean everything is all right.

"The House of Accessories"
Pool's Gift Cottage

116 Southwest 10th
(Between Broadway and Lubbock Highway)

PLAINVIEW

Offers the best and latest imports and reproductions of glass, china, brass, copper, pewter, pine, etc.

Open stock dinnerware. Early American furniture and specialty furniture. Artificial flowers and fruit.

Spirit of Christmas



To rejoice in the glad message of the Christmas story . . . to treasure the blessings of home, family and friends . . . to know the rewards of giving . . . often richest when the gift is a smile or a greeting of warmth and cheer. May this spirit be yours this Christmas.

UNITED ELEVATORS, Inc.
Providence - Plainview

Celebration Of Christ's Birth Changed Custom

The celebration of Christmas brought back the birthday party.

To the early Christians, it was unthinkable to celebrate one's birthday — much less the birthday of Christ. Birth meant the assumption of original sin and frequently the beginning of a life persecution and perhaps martyrdom.

Birthday festivities, moreover, were a pagan custom. The Pharaoh of Egypt and Herod celebrated their birthdays, as the Bible relates. But it was

sacrilege even to suggest that a Divine Being had a birthday.

In the 300's, however, this attitude was beginning to change. World Book Encyclopedia reports that in the year 354 the Bishop of Rome declared December 25 to be the anniversary of the birth of Christ.

But it took another pagan ritual to help establish Christmas. The ancient people of Europe had been accustomed to celebrating the winter solstice, when the sun seems to return to the Northern Hemisphere, in late December. The pagan feast commemorating the victory of light over darkness was simply replaced by the Christian festival honoring the "Light of Life."

TRY BEACON CLASSIFIEDS.



Dear Editor:

I see where a Senate committee is looking into how come a lot of the new drugs are priced so you can't tell whether you are getting antibiotics or diamond fuzz.

My prolonged neighbor says science is doing fine at providing for the survival of the financially fittest, but he figures the Senators may be sort of embarrassed when they get the sickroom profiteers

all smoked out.

On account of they are apt to find the old boy whose gimme complex is doing the most to keep drug prices up, and who gets the biggest helping of the gravy, is Uncle Sam.

D. E. SCOTT
Crossroads, U.S.A.

SPECIAL DELIVERY?

New York City — Deliver babies has become routine for Policeman Robert Dezenford, 53; he has delivered 40 babies in 21 years on the force, carries a special surgical kit be ready for these frequent emergencies.

Those who would a-wash ing go on Christmas, indebted to Henry VII. World Book Encyclopedia says English king introduced drink of hot ale and spices from the Scandinavian countries in the 1400's. In some parts England, trees and fields were "wassailed," or toasted, to sure a good crop.

OFFICE SUPPLIES at BEACON OFFICE.



Season's Greetings

The joyous Christmas Season is here again . . . to brighten our hearts, to lighten our cares.

To all our wonderful friends, we hope this glorious holiday will bring everything that makes for a life of happiness and contentment.

First National Bank

in Lockney

CHARLES DURAN, President
JUNE BYBEE, Cashier

FLOYD M. NEILL, Vice-President
VIRGIL THOMAS, Assistant Cashier
TOMMY MONTANDON, Assistant Cashier

CARROLL MINOR, Vice-President
I. W. Dippery Jr., Assistant Cashier

MINK-LINED AUTO

Tucson, Ariz. — At a cost of \$2,500, Jay Bullen, wealthy sportsman, had his custom-made automobile lined with 150 matching mink skins. The pelts cover the rear floor board, the arm rests, and the door straps.

MARINE-MINDED FAMILY

Richmond, Va. — When Miss Nannette Beavers joined the marine corps, she was following a family tradition. Her father, her mother, and her sister all have served in the marines.

Redeemer Legends Common Among American Indians

Redeemer legends were common among American Indians. While some were aboriginal, others probably were greatly influenced by contacts with Europeans, especially missionaries.

One of these legends was gathered by the Reverend Ephraim S. Alphonse, a Wesleyan Methodist minister who lived among the Valiente Indians for 21 years. The legend concerns the Ulikron (orphan of the Virgin) and how he traveled long ago from the far, far north. He talked to stout little men, to tall red men, to men in huts, to men in tall houses made of stone, to men who make broad roads and wear fine soft clothes and pearls and silver and gold. The Ulikron passed among them long ago and told the men to be good, to love good, and to do good. The Ulikron passed and talked. His eyes were soft and seeing. His eyes saw through men. His eyes saw and saw and men looked on and wept and stopped their wars. They stopped their hate. Their bows and arrows shot the deer but never man again.

The Ulikron pointed to the stars. He talked of the Crab, the Plouzon, the Great Bear. He talked of the God above those stars and he told men to be good and he would come again for all good men; and men began to be good. All Indians wait for the Ulikron.

Such is the story of the Ulikron, which as you can see, closely parallels (and most likely is) the story of Christ.



SEASON'S GREETING . . . Young voices raised in harmony with the songs of the seasons. This is a part of Christmas that is traditional almost everywhere. Children shown above represent members of New York's St. Vincent Ferrer Church Boys' Choir.

CARS WELL SEASONED

Rutland, Vt. — "I hate people who own automobiles," said William Hall when he was arrested and charged with smearing mustard and shaving cream on cars parked on downtown streets. He was held for trial on a charge of malicious mischief.

The Christian custom of reckoning time from the birth of Christ was introduced in the 500's by a monk named Dionysius Exiguus. But World Book Encyclopedia reports that the monk made a mistake of four to six years. Scholars now believe Christ was born in 4 B.C. or 6 B.C.

PURITAN LAW

The stern Puritans of New England, who frowned upon the celebration of Christmas as a pagan rite, when so far as to enact "blue laws" banning the making of mince pies. World Book Encyclopedia reports that mince pies are associated with Christmas because they were originally baked in the shape of a manger.

SANTA CLAUS

Santa Claus is the garbled American version of San Nicholas, the Dutch name for a Roman Catholic bishop who became the patron saint of schoolboys during the Middle Ages, according to World Book Encyclopedia.

SAVES CHILD

Boston — As she worked in her home, Mrs. Helen Slattery had a habit of looking out of the kitchen window to see how the children in the back yard were getting along.

To her horror, one afternoon, she saw Bobby Eaton hanging by his neck from a clothesline. Mrs. Slattery rushed out and rescued him.

The boy got tangled in the line when he fell from the roof of a shed on which he was playing.

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY.



Dear Editor:

I see where the experts claim it was scads of letters from the people which pressured Congress into passing the labor control bill last session.

My incompatible neighbor says this is very unhandy — people having to run the country by correspondence — but maybe the Postoffice Department needs the money.

He figures, though, if Congress can't look after our interests without written instruction, the free-postage program ought to be reversed so it applies on letters to Congressmen instead of from same.

D. E. SCOTT
Crossroads, U.S.A.

96 YEARS YOUNG

Charleston, E. I. — To celebrate her 96th birthday anniversary, Mrs. Martha Crandell took her first airplane ride.

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Whatever your crop, reliable irrigation means more yield per acre . . . and more yield puts more profit in your pocket! Be sure of water

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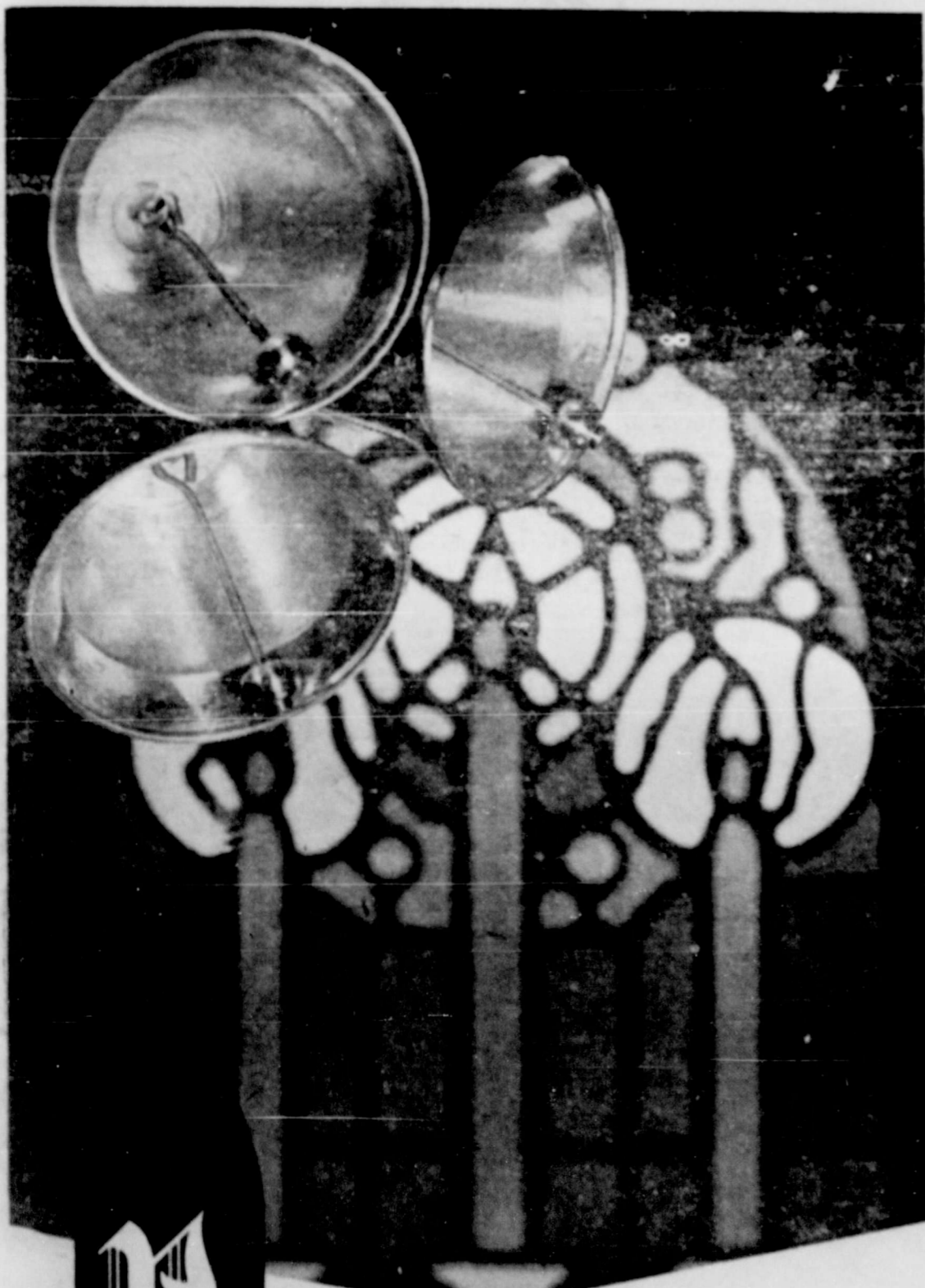
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CHRISTMAS 1959



Remember...
for whom the bells toll



Christmas Wishes

To our many loyal friends and devoted patrons we send heartfelt greetings. May the glorious inspiration of the first Christmas be with you and your loved ones throughout this holiday season, and abide with you for all the years to come . . . lightening your cares, brightening your lives, bringing you enduring peace and contentment.

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H. G. HODGES, Manager

KENNETH WOFFORD, President

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A CHRISTMAS OF OLD

When our elders talk about an "old-time" Christmas among the things they are remembering is the pleasure and anticipation associated with the preparations for the holiday.

There were no "commercial" Christmas trees in the "old days"—everyone went out to the nearest hillside or forest and chose one to their liking—for free. Tinsel, ornaments, electric tree lights, these too, weren't to be had. Decorations for the tree were all homemade—and usually the entire family lent a hand in the preparations.

Today we would be foolish, of course, not to take advantage of the many beautiful and ornamental decorations available for decorating home and Christmas tree. Yet, we can still recapture some of the "spirit" of the "old-time Christmas" by making some of the Christmas tree ornaments and decorations as a family project.

A variety of ornaments are possible from such materials as plastic foam. A cookie cutter, for instance, can be used to outline such shapes as snowmen, Santa Clauses, gingerbread men, dolls, clowns and stars on a sheet of 1-inch plastic foam. Cut out the shapes with a sharp knife and then let each member of the family decorate an ornament. Some can glue sequins to the cutouts to form features. Others can tint the foam with food coloring, or glue felt to the ornament to add extra details, such as hats or buttons.

A pipe cleaner, inserted and glued to the top of the ornament provides a hook.

Decorating the tree is usually a family project, enjoyed by both young and old. Preparing the decorations for the tree can be equally enjoyable and memorable.

BROILED FRUIT KABOBS

Here's a beautiful garnish for party plates. Marinate chunks of pineapple, plump prunes, thick banana slices and preserved melon in equal parts of sherry and melted butter. Thread the fruits on to a skewer and broil under a medium flame until lightly browned. If wood or bamboo skewers are used, soak them in water for an hour or two so they won't char under the broiler flame.

Birmingham, Ala. — Ninety-year-old Hughes B. Kennedy gave up his driver's license recently, saying "a man my age had better quit driving a car."

FOR CANDLE MAKERS

Start now to save coffee cans, shortening cans and large 47-ounce fruit juice cans. They are perfect for melting paraffin when you make candles. Turn the flame to low—that's lower than simmer on the new range. Give the paraffin plenty of time to melt. At low temperature you have no smoke and no smell.

"There are two great injustices that can befall a child: One is to punish him for something he didn't do. The other is to let him get away with doing something he knows is wrong." — Judge Robert Gardner, Superior Court, Orange County, Calif.

BETTER DAYS AHEAD FOR HOG BREEDERS; PRODUCTION DOWN

College Station. — Better days may be ahead for hog producers. Farrowing intentions for December 1959 - February 1960 are down four per cent from last year in the 10 Corn Belt States. If intentions are followed this will be the first reduction in two years and may stimulate a price increase.

Farrowing intentions for the period March 1960 - May 1960 will be reported in December and if the number of pigs born in this quarter show a decline, then we can assume hog numbers have turned the corner and headed down, according to Lloyd Bergsma, extension livestock marketing specialist and John McHaney, extension economist.

In the 10 corn belt states, which accounted for 75 per cent of the total U.S. production in 1958, the number of sows farrowed or intended to farrow this

fall (June through November) is five per cent larger than during the same months of 1958. This is 23 per cent larger than the 1948-57 average.

The hog-corn ratio has reached a level which would normally promote a reduction in hog numbers, noted the specialists. The current ratio of about 11.5 is the lowest during a fall breeding season since 1955 when the fall hog-corn ratio dropped to 11.4. However, they said, the effect this lower hog-corn ratio normally has on farrowing intentions and hog numbers may be partially modified by the huge supply of feed grains and lower level of feed grain prices.

Hog slaughter during the first nine months of 1959 has been 14 per cent greater than in 1958. Slaughter for the last quarter of 1959 will come largely from the March-May pig

crop which was up 9 per cent from last year. With the larger fall pig crop in 1959 slaughter can also be expected to continue high during the first half of 1960.

The specialists noted that for every 10 per cent increase in the number of hogs marketed there is usually a 25 per cent decrease in hog prices. If beef prices are relatively high, an increase in the consumption of pork can be expected. However, this increased consumption will not be enough to do more than keep hog prices from skidding much lower. With marketings expected to increase in 1960 as a whole, the specialists predict hog prices to average close to or a little below those of 1959.

This is not the time to expand your hog production, they added, but it is the time to improve breeding stock, become more efficient and to get ready for better hog prices in some early year following 1960.

"It's getting harder and harder to support the government in the style to which it is accustomed." — Australian Manufacturer.



Dear Editor:

I see where they have now got a law in New Jersey which says nobody can sell clothing, building materials, furniture or appliances in that state on Sundays.

My gospel-goaded neighbor says it's nice these people have got stern lawmakers who won't let them risk their hope of Heaven by dealing in these unholy items on the Lord's Day.

Says he has always believed in keeping Sunday holy by not handling money, except to buy strictly ox-in-the-ditch articles like fish bait, golf balls and shotgun shells.

D. E. SCOTT
Crossroads, U. S. A.

LAW AND DISORDER

Northampton, Mass. — So motorists would have fun.

Forced to drive up an embankment to escape collision with a speeding driver, who wheeled about and overtook offender after a 3-mile chase. Subsequently William Francisco, Jr., 18, was fined after pleading guilty to speeding and violating the law on the road.

The motorist he crowded Police Chief Ernest Jay, nearby Belchertown.

FARM ACREAGE BILL

The House has sent to Senate a bill preserving farmland acreage allotments on land taken over by the Government for reservoirs and other Federal projects under the right eminent domain. The bill effect would make it compulsory for the Government to give a farmer whose land had been taken over his farm allotment when he leased the land back from the Government for use.

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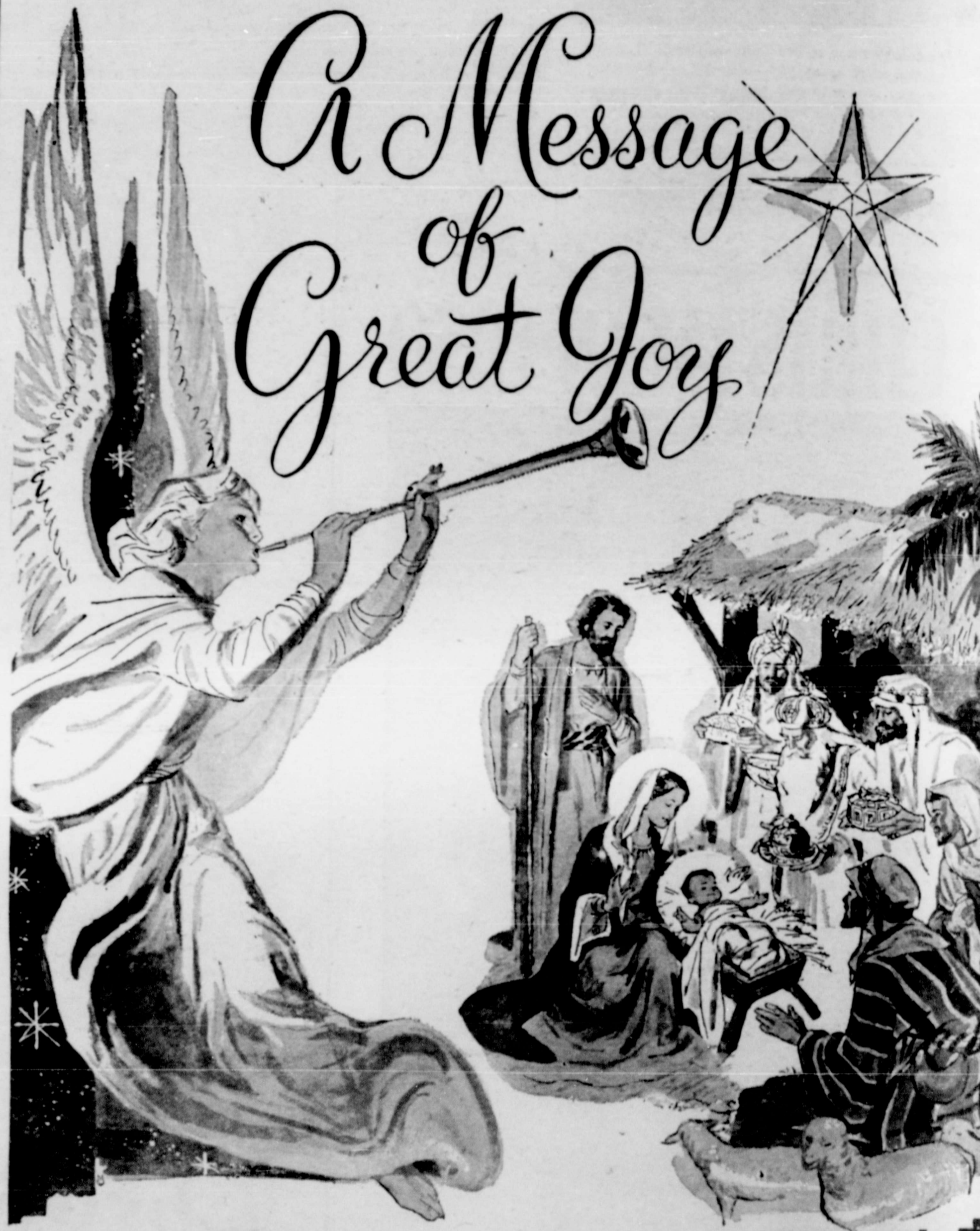
Joyous Greetings
to all
our
friends



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"... and suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, Glory to God in the highest... on earth Peace, Good Will toward Men..."

Let us rejoice, for once again Christmas brings us the guiding faith of Peace and Good Will to All, and the high inspiration of His holy message. To our many good friends, we send heartfelt greetings, with the wish that all may enjoy a most blessed Christmas, in the company of family and friends . . . singing the old familiar carols . . . hearing again the well-loved, spirit-lifting words of the Christmas story.

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STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights

by Vern Sanford

TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN, Tex. — Ordinarily, between Thanksgiving and Christmas, politicking takes a back seat to holiday preparations in the Capitol. This year a lot of people are concerned with what sort of "gifts" they'll get in January. Gov. Price Daniel has called special elections to fill the legislative vacancies for the year 1959. For the several candidates already actively running for these offices, election would be a highly acceptable post-season present.

written members of the Legislature asking how they feel about having a special session early next year to raise money for higher teachers' salaries. Some already have stated bluntly and publicly that this is a "gift" they could pass up. It would force them to choose, right before running for reelection, between disappointing the teachers and passing a new tax, which always makes somebody unhappy. Several have said that they feel the matter of teacher raises either should have been

settled during the sessions last spring and summer or should be postponed until the next regular session. After statewide elections, it's pointed out, legislators might have a clearer idea of what all the people want.

Other lawmakers, however, say they feel teachers should have an immediate raise. Talk now is that, if the special session is called, it will be about Jan. 12, just after the special elections.

For state officials in general, holiday dreams are focused, not on Dec. 25, but Feb. 1, the last day to file for a place on the primary ballot. For the candidates, no "visions of sugar plums" can compare with the hope of having Feb. 1 end with no tough opposition in sight.

WATER ENGINEER RESIGNS — McDonald D. Weinert has resigned his post as chief state water engineer effective Jan. 12. Weinert said he was not leaving because of being "under fire by anyone" and that he did not have another position at the time.

Weinert is a retired Army Engineers Corps colonel. He was hired in April, 1958, to head the Water Board's planning section. Legislature authorized the planning section to study all the state's surface and underground water resources and make a statewide report to the Legislature.

Water Board has been the target of critical statements in recent months by the Texas Water Conservation Association and the Texas Society of Professional Engineers. TWCA charged that friction between board members had caused the state's water program to lag.

Governor Daniel, in a recent speech, recommended that the Water Board be reorganized along the lines of the State Highway Commission.

WATER FIGHT CONTINUES — Whether the Trinity River or the San Jacinto is the best source for Houston's future water needs is the issue in a prolonged hearing before the State Water Board.

Trinity River Authority and the City of Houston are seeking permits to build two dams near Houston. San Jacinto River Authority is contesting the application. It contends Houston has an agreement to get its water from the San Jacinto and that Trinity water is insufficient and polluted.

Engineers for the Houston-Trinity group have presented mountains of statistics in support of their case that Trinity water will be adequate for industrial use and cheaper than San Jacinto water.

City of Denton has dropped its opposition to the proposed dams after coming to an agreement with TRA and Houston to

Gingerbread Is Top Holiday Treat

Turkey and all the trimmings, fresh fruits, candies and nuts—all help to put a "sag" in the kitchen or dining room table during the Christmas season. Sweetbreads, rolls and other evidence of Mom's cooking artistry are usually in evidence. Despite the fact everyone gathers around for the big Christmas dinner, "nibbling" between meals is a custom nearly everywhere.

For such families, here is a "nibbler's" suggestion:

Honey Gingerbread (Makes 1 loaf)

- 1/2 cup shortening
 - 1/2 cup sugar
 - 1 cup honey
 - 2 eggs, beaten
 - 2 1/2 cups sifted flour
 - 1 teaspoon baking soda
 - 1 teaspoon ginger
 - 1 teaspoon cinnamon
 - 1/2 teaspoon cloves
 - 1 cup boiling water
- Cream shortening and blend in sugar. Beat in honey and eggs until mixture is light. Mix and sift dry ingredients and add to honey mixture alternately with hot water. Turn into a greased 9-inch loaf pan and bake at moderate (375°F.) temperature for 20 minutes. Reduce heat to 350°F. and bake 10 to 15 minutes longer.

protect water rights of the Garza-Little Elm and Grapevine reservoirs.

COMMISSION STUDIES GAS PRICES — Railroad Commission is now considering the record of nearly a year's heated discussion over whether Lone Star Gas. Co. should be allowed to raise its rates.

More than 300 Texas cities are affected.

Lone Star is asking to increase rates from 30 to 40 cents per 1,000 cubic feet. It says that 9 cents of this is swallowed up by the higher prices it must pay for gas at the wellhead. It is asking also that some system be established to adjust prices to customers automatically when costs to the company go up significantly.

Attorneys for the affected cities charge that the gas company is trying to put an unfair share of the costs on householders rather than on the big industrial consumers.

LAWS CLARIFIED — In a series of opinions, mostly concerned with new laws passed this year, Atty. Gen. Will Wilson has ruled:

1. That parts bought for repair of air conditioners are not subject to the new 3 per cent sales tax on air conditioners. All parts sold for the original installation are taxable.

before the judge the next morning.

5. That county funds can be used to pay all or part of the hospitalization insurance premiums for county officials and employees.

6. That a veteran who refuses to execute a contract under the veterans land program after purchase has been approved forfeits his 5 per cent down payment and portions of the closing fees.

RECORD SALES SEEN — Totals thus far indicate Texas should hit an all-time high in retail sales in 1959, says the Bureau of Business Research. BBR's estimate of total 1959 sales, based on the good showing of the first 10 months, is \$13,658,000,000. This would be 8 per cent better than last year.

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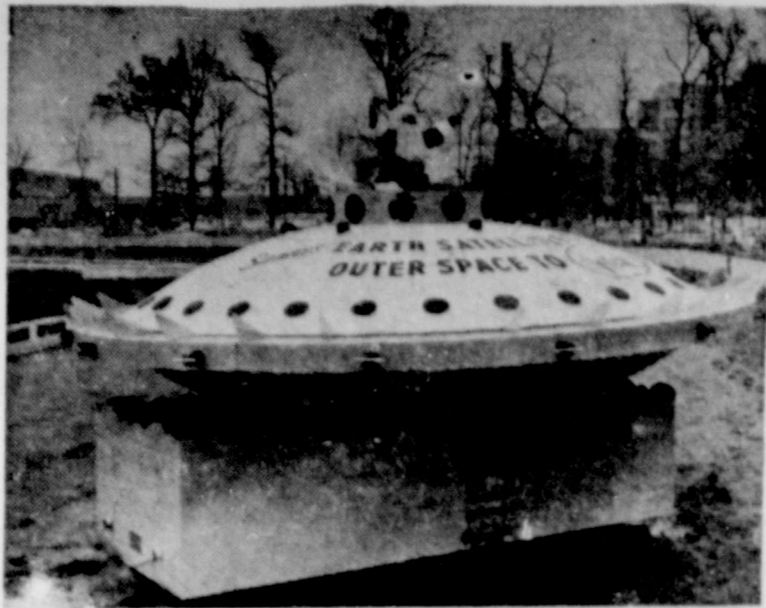
SYNTHETIC BLANKET TIP

Dynel, Orlon and other synthetic fibers are becoming increasingly popular for use in blankets. They launder easily and dry faster than natural fibers. The clothes dryer should be preheated before drying synthetic fabrics. Be sure to check frequently for proper moisture content to avoid overdrying.

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY.

USE FOR UNEMPLOYED CLOTHESPINS

There are many uses for the clothespins you don't need when you buy a new clothes dryer. Make up three or four dye baths in saturated colors. Let the clothespins soak up the brilliant colors. The clip-type pins can be used as desk organizers for bills, pictures, ads, notes, etc. The pencil-type pins make wonderful toys for pre-school children.



MODERN VEHICLE . . . We don't think the reindeer and sleigh will ever be replaced, but the jolly old gent shown above appears to have dropped out of space via an earth satellite. He probably only wanted to show the modern generation that he was "on the ball." Come Christmas night, it's a safe bet he will return to his familiar and long-honored method of transportation.

WHAT ABOUT AFTER CHRISTMAS?

What happens the day after Christmas? Is the spirit of Christmas "spent" in lavish preparation and anticipation, enjoyed but briefly, then thrown aside with the wrapping paper and colored ribbon?

What happens the day after Christmas? Does one breathe a deep sigh and inwardly say, "I'm glad that it's over for another year?"

If this happens, then certainly we are not "keeping the Christmas." The Spirit of Christmas is superficial. Our Christmas symbols and ornaments, many of them pagan in their origin, are only decorative trappings for creating a festive spirit.

It Is Real

But Christmas is not superficial. Christmas is REAL. And so must observance of the holiday be REAL and not the mere matter of observing customs and practices as a matter of conformity.

The glitter is gone from evergreens and holly wreaths on the day after Christmas. The tree suddenly becomes old and drops its needles upon the carpet. No longer does the bright figure of Santa adorn the mantle or doorway; it simply hangs there, bereft of glamour and stirring little anticipation.

It Has Meaning

Unless we have "kept the Christmas" in preparations for, and observance of Christmas Day, then we have observed a meaningless holiday.

This year, let us keep the Christmas in a spirit that will keep the profound meaning of the holiday deep in our hearts for the remainder of the days after Christmas.

As we observe the Christmas, we must find time to meditate upon the great reality—that upon this day Christ was born, bringing to all mankind the promise of eternal salvation. This is the message of Christmas and the secret to the successful keeping of Christmas forever and ever.

No one is too big to be courteous, but many people are too little.

Carols Traditional On Beacon Hill

Every Christmas Eve the lights of Boston's Beacon Hill shine more brightly as happy carolers sing out their Yuletide greetings.

The custom of Beacon Hill carols was originated by Frederick W. Briggs, in 1895, after spending a merry and musical evening in an English town. In recent years some 150,000 Christmas celebrators have joined the wandering minstrels in celebrating Joyous Yuletide on the Hill.

From the brilliantly illuminated State House to Charles Street, from aristocratic Beacon Street right over the Hill into the slum districts, old houses beam holiday tidings. Carolers stream up and down the Hill, past mansion fronts which are gaily illuminated with vari-colored lights. At Louisburg Square, guests toast each other with eggnog and the evening rings with the sounds of good fellowship and the echo of happy Yuletide greetings.

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CROSS ROADS REPORT

Dear Editor: I see where our leading Presidential prospects have spilled their views on the matter of sending birth control aid and advice to other countries.

My trend-watching neighbor says likely most foreigners would rather see a birth control program in the U.S. to hold down the output of meddling Americans.

But says our politicians would find it hard to make up their minds on this, as long as birth is a gamble and you can't tell until too late whether a new citizen will be a Republican or a Democrat.

D. E. SCOTT

"The trouble with the average budget is that it is hard to fill up one hole without digging another."—Dan Bennett.

DECORATING WITH FRUIT

A fruit bowl or a bountiful basket placed in a spot where it's easy for the family to help themselves is a decorative as well as a healthful element to the home. Fresh fruit is an ideal snack for weight watchers and persistent nibblers. Frosty grapes, red and golden apples packaged sunshine of citrus fruit and the graceful form of bananas add color, aroma and hospitality to the home.

A cowboy who can keep in balance upon and with a horse, and who can ride long distances without retightening the cinches or galling the horse's back, is known as a "light rider."

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