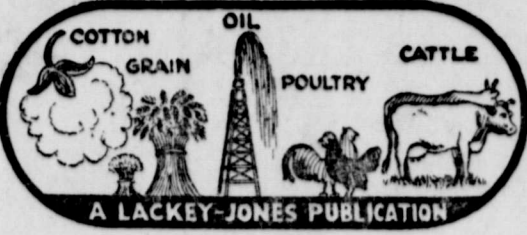


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Prices and Weather Slow Ginnings In County

As holiday season, the previous weather and light caused a two week lag in the 1949 cotton ginning in Haskell county, which is reported by Haskell's five ginning plants.

Monday morning, the ginning plants had 10 bales of new cotton a gain of 1,911 bales for Dec. 15, 20,539 bales had been ginned.

Several days of rain in December caused a delay in ginning, but this section, which is the largest in the county, is expected to remain to be ginned by the end of the season. The cotton harvest, which is reported to be a record, is expected to be ginned by the end of the season.

Fire Damages Cafe Thursday, Negro's Home Burns

An early morning fire Thursday caused several hundred dollars damage to fixtures and the building housing a small cafe one block from the southeast corner of the square.

Firemen who answered the alarm at 5:30 a. m., extinguished the blaze, but before fixtures and interior of the building had been damaged by the flames and smoke.

The cafe, operated in recent months by Robert Offield, had been closed for the past two weeks. The blaze was believed to have started from defective wiring of a fixture in the building.

The fixtures were owned by T. J. Ballard of this city, and the building by H. M. Rike of Haskell. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

Firemen were called Wednesday morning to extinguish a fire in a small barn at the home of O. E. Patterson. Only slight damage was caused.

Heaviest fire loss during the holiday season resulted Friday afternoon, when the two room residence occupied by a colored widow woman, Mrs. Gauntt, in the northeast colored section, was lost to flames. Mrs. Gauntt lost all her household goods and furniture in the fire, which had gained considerable headway by the time firemen could be called to the scene. The small structure, walled and roofed with sheet metal, was completely gutted by the fire.

Colored neighbors and white people of Haskell contributed to help Mrs. Gauntt, with donations of money, food, clothing articles and furniture.

BABSON SEES BUSINESS DIP, FEWER STRIKES, LOWER PRICES, NO WAR IN 1950 FORECAST

By Roger W. Babson

1. The total volume of business for 1950 will be less than that of 1949, due primarily to the unfortunate labor conflicts. Considering that the innocent consumer will be the chief sufferer and will be obliged to pay the bills, it seems too bad that labor troubles should upset the applicant.

Labor Outlook

2. Even with all the threats, there will be few wage increases during 1950. On the other hand, all labor negotiations take the minds of both the employees and the management off their regular business. However these negotiations come out, they result in a loss from the standpoint of the country as a whole.

3. There will be fewer strikes in 1950 than in 1949, but there will not be fewer extended negotiations which are very expensive in themselves.

4. The Taft-Hartley Law will continue to stand throughout 1950, although many schemes for detouring this law will be devised.

5. The great drive against the big companies will be for pensions and/or for sick and other benefits. These will probably be helpful to the wageworkers and may aid in ironing out the business cycle, but they will be paid for by consumers.

6. It is hoped that all parties will begin to realize during 1950 that the real road to national progress is through increasing production and greater efficiency. This is the bright light we see in the labor situation.

1950 IN A NUTSHELL			
General Business	Off 5%	Steel Output	Off 5%
National Income	Off 5%	Building and Construction	Off 7%
Farm Income	Off 15%	Natural Gas	Up 5%
Bituminous Coal	Up 5%	Foreign Trade	No change
Anthracite	Off 5%	Airline Passenger Miles	Up 5%
Crude Oil Products	Up 5%	Military Activities, Including Aircraft	Up 2%
Automobile Manufactures	Off 15%		
Retail Trade (\$ Volume) Off 3% to 10%			

Commodity Prices

7. Movements in commodity prices during 1950 will vary with different groups of industries and of products, but altogether there will be a general lowering during 1950.

8. We, therefore, advise going easy on inventories. 1950 is a time to get out of debt and stay out of debt. Speculation in commodities should be discouraged in 1950.

9. We believe that the cost of living index has turned down for the present. The average for 1950 will be less than for 1949.

10. Practically all retail prices will average less in 1950 than in 1949, notwithstanding the excess of money mentioned under 27-28 and 29 below.

Farm Outlook

11. The total farm income for 1950 should be less than that of 1949, which means lower prices on the average for wheat, corn, pork, poultry, eggs and certain dairy products. Farmers should diversify more in 1950, get out of debt and put their surplus money into savings, in preparation

for the next crop failure.

12. The supply of certain canned vegetables and fruits except citrus should be greater during 1950 than at the same time during 1949. The prices of these products should fall off, barring some weather, insect or blight catastrophe.

13. Poultry and dairy products will especially increase in volume during 1950 with prices averaging less than in 1949.

14. Farmers will continue to work to hold present subsidies. It is popular to criticize the Government owns or is making loans on, but this surplus in storage may be a great blessing when the next crop failure or war comes.

Taxes

15. The Federal Budget will be increased during 1950 over that for 1949.

16. Over-all Federal Taxes will not be increased during 1950 and there may even be some readjustments to encourage venture capital. Moreover, some of the nuisance taxes may be eliminated or reduced.

17. The long-term capital gains tax of 25% will remain unchanged.

18. There will be many increases in local and state taxes, and more reaching for relief by "sales" taxes or other forms of raising needed funds.

Retail Trade

19. Goods on counters will be of better grade in 1950 than they were in 1949.

20. Markdown sales will continue during 1950 as consumer spending slackens due to a decline in employment and other factors.

21. The dollar value of all retail sales in 1950 will be moderately downward, and the unit volume of retail sales will also be less in 1950 than in 1949.

22. Less will be spent on new building and equipment by stores and factories during 1950.

Foreign Trade

23. Our exports will be down during 1950 and our imports will be up during 1950 — comparing both with 1949. This will partly be accounted for by the devaluation of the English Pound and other foreign currencies.

24. Foreign credits will continue to be granted during 1950, but some of these will be direct by American business firms and investors. If our Government will get foreign governments to agree that such investments will be exempt from any NEW tax or other legislation by the foreign country in which the investments are made, considerable progress then would be noticeable along foreign trade channels.

25. American interests will (Continued on Page Eight)

Poll Tax Payments Lag With Advent of Election Year in '50



WITCHING HOUR . . . All across the land, as the hands of the clock approach midnight on Saturday, December 31, young ladies—and other people, too—will be pointing out the time and saying, "Look, it's almost 1950." They probably won't be wearing swim suits, however.

With a "regular" election year coming up in 1950, Haskell county voters have been slow in paying their 1949 poll tax, which will be a requisite for voting in all elections next year, a check of records in the office of Tax Assessor-Collector Austin Coburn Thursday morning revealed.

However, payment of county and State property taxes has been exceptionally heavy to date, with approximately 85 per cent of the taxes assessed for the year 1949 already paid, Coburn said.

Up to Thursday morning, poll tax payments for the current year totaled 1,617, the collector reported. He believes that at least as large a number, and more, will be issued during January, with the final deadline for payment of poll tax coming Jan. 31st.

Last year, 2,621 persons paid their poll tax in order to qualify as voters, and 1949 was an "off" political year, Coburn pointed out. For the previous election year, 3,800 poll tax were paid in the county.

Decrease in early payment of the current poll tax is attributed in a large measure to the proposed amendment submitted in November which would have eliminated the tax as a voting requisite. The measure failed, but a number of property owners had already paid their property tax during October and deferred payment of poll tax to await outcome of the proposed change.

Total payment of county and State taxes up to Thursday morning amounted to \$210,982.34 net, Collector Coburn said. Total amount of 1949 taxes assessed is \$270,784.91, he reported. A large proportion of the remaining assessments will likely be paid before Jan. 31st, he believes.

A breakdown of the total taxes assessed in 1949, payable through the county Assessor-Collector's office, list \$114,309.94 for county and county-wide road purposes; \$61,045.32 for State; \$16,444.68 for precinct roads; and \$78,984.97 for rural high school and common school districts.

Sagerton Faces Hit; Take Little

First time in recent past office at Weiland Sunday night, it took only a car, and a flashlight, to check made by Monk, postmaster. Cousins and an in-the post office department.

Investigating office was entered, but it secure anything of Cousins reported, that could be found a pair of pliers, by the culprits. A ten open to gain evidence, officers said.

Final Drive To Raise USO Quota Due This Week

Postponed until after the holiday season and the Fall business rush, a final campaign to raise Haskell county's share of funds for USO will be carried out this week, John H. Banks, chairman of the USO drive, announced today.

Haskell county has approximately 130 young men in the various branches of the armed forces, and the county's quota for USO has been set at \$750, chairman Banks said.

All of the money raised for United Service Organizations is expended for recreation, entertainment and similar activities for men in service. Mr. Banks explained, in pointing out that the county quota represented approximately \$5.00 for each Haskell county man in the service.

"It is an obligation we owe to our young men to provide as best we can for maintenance of the many activities of USO," the chairman said in asking for a generous response in meeting the quota.

It will be impossible to make an intensive personal canvass of the entire county, Banks said, and he urges all who will contribute to the USO to mail their checks or contributions to him, or to Doyle Eastland, vice-chairman. Checks should be made payable to "County Chairman, USO." All contributions will be acknowledged.

Auto Crash At Aspermont Kills Two Men

One Aspermont man was killed instantly, and another fatally injured in an automobile wreck in the north edge of that city on Christmas Eve about 3:30 p. m.

An Odessa man and a Paducah couple were seriously injured, and two small children of the couple received minor hurts.

Kenneth Lunsford of Aspermont was killed instantly in the head-on crash of two cars on Highway 83 at the outskirts of Aspermont.

Jackson, 25, also of Aspermont died Monday at 4:30 a. m. in the Stamford Hospital, where he had been taken immediately after the wreck.

Gary Lattimer of Odessa, driver of the car in which Jackson and Lunsford were riding, was in a serious condition at the Stamford hospital. He suffered a broken arm, leg, rib, and bruises and lacerations.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Boren of Paducah, in the other car, were seriously injured and taken to the Stamford hospital. Mr. Boren, the driver, suffered a broken leg and arm, broken pelvis and several broken ribs. His right eye was removed by doctors Sunday.

Mrs. Boren suffered a broken arm, bruises and lacerations. The Boren children, Jerry, 10, and Judy, 2, were treated for minor bruises at the Aspermont hospital and released.



Picture above is Bill Wilson, local Ford dealer, presenting the keys to the 1950 Ford tudor sedan, given to Coach Jack Roten as a token of gratitude from the citizens of Haskell. The presentation was made Friday.

Coach Jack Roten Given Automobile As Christmas Present from Haskell People

Coach Jack Roten of Haskell High School received a visit from Santa Claus two days before his scheduled arrival.

A 1950 Ford tudor sedan was given to Coach Roten Friday, December 23, by his friends and the citizens of Haskell. In this way the Haskell fans expressed their appreciation to Roten for the success that he achieved with the 1949 Indian football team, and the esteem in which he is held by the citizenship and student body.

Roten came to Haskell from Sweetwater in 1947 and has been head coach in Haskell High School since that time. He has spent three years in developing the team and proved that his work had been successful by winning the 1949 District 6A championship, a title that had not been held by Haskell since 1938.

Royce Smith, assistant coach, and Ray Overton, Jr., junior coach, were each given \$100 in appreciation for their work. Smith is a 1948 graduate of McMurry College, and this is his first year at Haskell. Overton is a 1948 graduate of Texas A. & M. He was scout for the Indians, and is coach of the junior football squad. This is also his first year in the local high school.

Band Director James Hobbs was given \$500 for the work that he has done in developing one of the largest and best bands that the school has had in a number of years. He came to Haskell in 1948, a graduate of McMurry College.

Winners Named In Christmas Home Decorating Contest

Winners were announced Friday morning in the annual Christmas home and yard decorations contest sponsored as a part of the city-wide Yuletide program that began with the appearance of Santa Claus in Haskell Dec. 1.

Named as first place winner was the home of the R. L. Burton's at 505 North 5th St.; placing second was the C. L. Lewis home at 1501 North Ave F; with the O. A. Cobb home at 605 N. 5th St., being judged third place winner. Cash prizes were given the first three place winners.

Receiving honorable mention were the homes of Mrs. Clara Busby, H. C. King, and J. M. Crawford.

This phase of the city-wide program was sponsored by the Haskell Magazine Club and the Haskell Progressive Study Club, with Mrs. Robert Wheatley of the Magazine Club and Mrs. Joe Tyson of the Progressive Study Club heading the committees who planned the program and judging.

Out-of-town judges were used and included Mrs. Hubert Watson of Stamford and Mrs. Chas. Kay of Rochester.

The contest this year attracted a much larger number of entrants and the judges reported a difficult time in determining the final winners due to the number of beautifully decorated homes.

Father of W. J. Adams Dies In Arkansas

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Adams of this city were called to Pyatt, Ark., last week to the bedside of his father, the Rev. J. Q. Adams, who died Thursday morning, Dec. 22, at the family home in Pyatt.

Rev. Adams, a retired Methodist minister, had suffered a stroke several days before his death. He was 89.

A native of South Carolina, Rev. Adams had lived in the vicinity of Pyatt for the past 40 years and was engaged in farming in addition to his work in the ministry until advancing age and declining health compelled his retirement. Funeral service for the aged minister was held Christmas Day at Pyatt, and burial was in the George Creek Cemetery near that city. He is survived by eleven children.

Former Rule Man Dies Tuesday In Fort Worth

E. J. Davis, 42, Fort Worth resident and son of Mrs. Ada Davis of Rule, died Tuesday night in Harris Memorial Hospital in that city. He had been in ill health for some time, but his condition became critical several days ago.

A native of Miles in Runnels county, Mr. Davis had formerly lived in Abilene before moving to Fort Worth. He was in the oil transportation business and was employed in Fort Worth by the Hicks Trailer Co.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his widow.

Funeral service for Mr. Davis was held Thursday afternoon in Abilene, and burial was in that city.

Community Singing At Rule Church Sunday

The regular monthly Community Singing will be held Sunday afternoon, January 1, 1950, with the 5th Street Baptist Church in Rule, Texas.

The program will start promptly at 2:30 p. m.

Everyone is urged to come and make this New Year's singing one of the best ever held.

Funds Sought for Advancing Baskin Dam Project

Interest was revived in the proposed Bob Baskin (Seymour) Dam project with the announcement this week that the Brazos River Conservation and Reclamation District had applied for funds totaling \$77,560 to be used in preparing plans on that project.

This is one of two projects under study for West Texas by the Brazos River watershed association, and the application for financing the preparation of the plans was made to the General Services Administration.

The Seymour Dam, proposed and sponsored by the Bob Baskin Dam Association, would be located in Haskell and Stone wall counties and would store approximately 315,000 acre feet of water.

Proponents for the long-sought project have pointed out the necessity of stored water for West Texas, and declare that such a project would provide adequate municipal and industrial water for several communities, as well as developing a source of supply for limited irrigation, fishing, wildlife, and recreation.

More than thirty towns and communities could be served from this supply, John A. Couch, president of the Bob Baskin Dam Association, said.

Legion Sponsoring "Tide of Toys" for Children of Europe

In the belief that many Haskell county children will be glad to spare one of the many toys they received Christmas, or one left from last year, the Rogers' Cox Post of the American Legion is sponsoring a local "Tide of Toys" to be sent to children of Europe. The local project is part of a nation-wide movement to provide happiness for the children of war-ravaged countries, John H. Banks, commander of the local Legion post said, in announcing the local drive.

"Millions of European children will have no toys this winter," he said. "They are better fed, thanks to the Marshall plan, but the joys that made Christmas gay over here were still very much lacking over there. On the other hand many American children will be glad to spare a toy now that Christmas is past. And even if those toys arrive late in Europe, they will be appreciated just as much," he said.

Each child donating a toy is asked to attach a letter or message, signed with their name and address, to each article given. Such letters can start a chain of letter-writing and build friendship for years to come, he believes.

Distribution overseas will be in the hands of CARE, which has an efficient organization already set up in most European countries.

Children desiring to give toys should leave them at the City Hall in Haskell, not later than Saturday, Jan. 7th, with their letters, name and address attached.

Meeting of Farm Bureau Postponed To January 9

Clinton H. Herren, president, has announced that the regularly scheduled meeting of the Haskell County Farm Bureau will be postponed from January 2nd to January 9th in order that a larger number of members will be able to attend.

Loys D. Barbour, district director of Texas Farm Bureau, will discuss the proposed fire insurance company. Farm Bureau members are asked to check the expiration dates of their fire insurance policies, if possible, in order that some idea can be obtained as to the number of pledges that will be made.

Sister of Mrs. H. F. Copeland Dies At San Angelo

Mrs. H. F. Copeland has returned from San Angelo, Texas, where she was called to the bedside of a sister, who died Sat., Dec. 24 in a hospital in that city. Mrs. Copeland remained for the funeral service and burial of her sister, at Weslaco, Texas.

Several Hunters On Final Foray Into Deer Country

Several Haskell sportsmen, the majority of whom were prevented from taking advantage of the first days of the deer hunting season, left Monday for South-west Texas in the hope of bagging one or more deer before close of the season Saturday.

Those going this week included in their party, W. E. Scheets and Belton Duncan of Haskell, accompanied by Bill Carter of Post, Texas. They left Tuesday.

In another group leaving Monday were Frank B. Reynolds, Sam A. Roberts and Johnny Mullins. They will hunt on a lease in the Edwards county region.

Hunters from Haskell and vicinity who made forays early in the season, were fortunate almost to a man in bagging one or more nice deer and a goodly number of turkeys.

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SPEND CHRISTMAS IN AUSTIN

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Cahill, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cahill, and T. C. Cahill returned Monday from a holiday visit in the home Mrs. Ruby Long in Austin.

Notes

Held in the Haskell at noon Wednesday.

Rule, medical treatment.

Parza, Haskell, medical.

Haskell, surgery.

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Crow, Haskell, surgeon.

Haskell, medical.

Thames, Haskell.

Holden, Haskell.

Haskell, medical.

Trussell, Old Glory.

Holmes, Knox City.

Members during the Thomas Gonzales, of L. R. Smith and in the Rule; Mrs. Joe G. infant daughter, of Leo Gammill and Rochester; Mrs. Jess Adkins, Haskell; Davis and infant son; Easterly and infant; Mrs. Verney infant son, Haskell; Campbell and infant; Mrs. Maria Hillard daughter, Haskell; Hillard and infant; Mrs. Am and infant son, of Chesley Forehand,

Rebekahs To Install Officers At Next Meeting

Members of Haskell Rebekah Lodge No. 43 are urged to be present at the regular meeting on Monday night, January 2, at 7:30 o'clock, for the purpose of installing new officers and for re-organizing the degree team. The local team has been invited to initiate for the B. A. Carter Lodge in Abilene on January 28.

Maj. and Mrs. Shelby Harris Here For Visit With Parents

Major and Mrs. Shelby Jack Harris and daughters, Jan and Penny of Levittown, N. Y., are visiting here this week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Harris and other relatives and friends. Major Harris is with the Continental Air Command at Mitchell Air Force Base, New York.

Chaplain Barnett Telephones Parents From Germany

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Barnett of this city received what they considered the very nicest Christmas present that could be imagined.

It was a trans-Atlantic telephone call from their son, Capt. (Chaplain) Robert Barnett, from his station in Berlin, Germany.

The call came through Christmas Day, as a complete surprise to the young officer's parents. Mrs. Barnett declared that she could hardly believe she was talking to her son across almost two continents and an ocean. "He would easily have been talking from a neighbor's phone, his voice was so clear," Mrs. Barnett declared.

Chaplain and Mrs. Barnett have been in Germany more than a year, where he is assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 16th Inf. Rgt., of the U. S. Army.

During World War II, Chaplain Barnett served with troops in the ETO. After separation at the end of hostilities, he returned to the pastorate of the Pinkerton Baptist Church west of Haskell, resigning to accept re-assignment as Army chaplain. Mrs. Barnett accompanied her husband to the Berlin station.

VISIT IN BALLINGER AND SAN ANGELO

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Maples were in Ballinger and San Angelo during Christmas and visit relatives.

Bank and Post Office To Have Holiday Monday, Jan. 2

With New Year's Day coming on Sunday, Jan. 2 will be observed as a legal holiday by the Haskell National Bank and the local post office. Both institutions will be closed all day Monday, and there will be no mail delivery on rural routes.

Merchants and businessmen are reminded to keep the Monday closing date of the bank in mind, in arranging their business transactions for the week-end.

No other business houses in Haskell Monday, coming as it does within a week after the two-Christmas holidays.

Offices in the courthouse and city hall are also expected to be open as usual on Monday.

VISITORS FROM DENVER

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Reynolds and sons of Denver, Colo., were recent visitors here in the home of his father, R. J. Reynolds. They were accompanied by Mr. Reynolds to Austin, Houston and Texas City where they spent the Christmas holidays.

VISITING IN CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Pearsey are on an extended holiday visit in the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Earles of Los Angeles, Calif. They were accompanied by her father, W. E. McElroy and Mrs. McElroy of Springtown, Texas.

HASKELL COUNTY HISTORY

Brief Items Taken from Old Copies of The Free Press

20 Years Ago—Dec. 26, 1929

A \$985,000 road bond issue carried in Haskell county by the vote of 1839 to 740 last Saturday. Roads will be paved from the Knox county line to the Jones county line on Highway 30, from the Knox county line through Rule on Highway 51 to connect with Highway 18 at Sagerton, and Highway 18 will be paved from the Jones county line to the Stonewall county line, and highway 120 will be paved through Haskell county joining Throckmorton and Stonewall counties.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy English and children of Plainview spent Christmas day in Dallas and Fort Worth and motored to Haskell and spent the week end with relatives and friends here.

Mrs. J. F. McCrary of Dallas is the season's guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Kirkpatrick.

Julian Perrin, student at Denton Normal is spending the holiday season with home folks.

The local Woodmen of the World met Friday in the McConnell building and elected officers for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Wimbush left Saturday to spend the holidays with relatives in Central Texas.

David Smith came in from Lubbock Thursday to spend the holidays with his father, N. T. Smith and other Haskell relatives.

Lewis Pearsey is with his home folks. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Pearsey for the Yuletide season.

Barton Welsh, student in Houston Junior College, Houston, Texas, is at home for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Welsh.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Alexander of El Paso are in Haskell for the holidays as guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Alexander.

Misses Mildred Simmons and Beulah Segro are with home-folks for the yuletide holidays, from Bayler, Belton.

Hill Whitaker and Marvin Branch of John Tarleton College, Stephenville, are spending the holidays with their parents in Haskell.

Jerome Sanders, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sanders of this city has been appointed to assist in the New York post office during the rush of the yuletide season.

Miss Breeden left for Fort Worth this week where she has accepted a position with a large real estate firm.

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John Oates has returned from Simmons College at Abilene to spend Christmas.

The Wichita Valley Railway Company has granted free of charge to M. R. Hemphill, the right of way for his street car line across the tracks of the company.

50 Years Ago—Dec. 30, 1899

Rev. J. N. Crutcher has been chosen permanent pastor of the First Christian Church of Paris, Texas.

Buggy whips 15 cents and up at Riddell's.

G. R. Couch invested \$100 in a Hereford the other day.

Roscoe Riter came up Sunday to spend Christmas with the home folks.

Mrs. S. W. Scott entertained a large group of young people Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Roberts have gone to spend a few days with relatives in Knox county.

J. C. Kelley and T. N. Field got back Tuesday from Callahan county with their cattle.

Bob Reeves and family came down from Knox county and took Christmas with Haskell relatives.

Sheriff Collins has duly appointed Bert Brockman as his permanent deputy.

The Christmas contribution of the Baptist church for Buckner Orphan's Home was over \$50.

F. C. Wilfong and family returned Wednesday from Fisher county where they spent Christmas with relatives.

Jud Roberson has purchased the interest of his brother, Jim, in their ranch and 500 cattle in the northwest part of the county and Jim is moving to Archer county.

Inspector T. J. Lemmon came in Thursday from another inspection trip along the quarantine line. He says a good many cattle are coming to this section from below and that a great many of them are in poor condition.

J. E. Wilfong was in town this week and bought \$9 worth of window sash for the Lake Creek school house to replace a lot broken out a few night before by some contemptible and cowardly vandals.

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Prof. J. B. Jones was down from Knox and spent two or three days with Haskell friends this week. He says the enrollment in his school is 53 pupils.

J. M. Kimbrell of Stonewall was over Friday arranging to do his next years trading with some of our merchants.

The Free Press will begin the New Year with a new department which we think will be appreciated by many of our readers. It will have a special editor.

Mr. Gibson has just completed his house and other improvements on land purchased from Mr. Garren two years ago.

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Scientists Plan to Explore Texas Life Of Early Days

History's secret life in "Texas" long before Columbus may be revealed during the next twelve months, says a writer in The Dallas News.

In their last chance to uncover the mysteries of early Indian culture, Smithsonian Institution scientists are planning scores of excavations over a 300 square mile area soon to be flooded by the new Whitney Dam on the Brazos River.

Located five miles southwest of Whitney in Hill County, the new dam will back up a reservoir about fifty-eight miles upstream and flood an area rich with evidence of early Indian occupation.

Dr. Frank H. H. Roberts, director of the Smithsonian's river basin surveys, reported that the digging will have to be done during the next year, or the opportunity will be lost.

Surveys of the region to be flooded revealed sixty-one sites which should be excavated, Roberts said. These include places that have been occupied from time to time by many different tribes, some of them in the pre-Columbian era, as well as recently.

The area is known to have been inhabited by such groups as the Tonkawa, Towash, Anadarko and Choctaw tribes, Roberts said, but very little is known about the Indian life of this region.

It is hoped that excavations will reveal the early Indian customs, what types of villages they had, whether they hunted or cultivated their food, and their relationship to other tribes.

"So little is known about them as yet, that we hardly know what to look for," Roberts said.

Robert L. Stephenson, Smithsonian archeologist, will be in charge of excavating the Indian camp sites. He will be assisted by a large labor force recruited locally and probably will use the help of some University of Texas students.

Because much of the land around the flooded region will become recreational area, the National Park Service is co-operating in the research.

Historic remains of old forts, trading posts or similar discoveries may be studied for future restoration or provide another clue in piecing together the puzzle of the past.

Texas Employment Hits All-Time Peak In November

With an estimated 8,000 or more out-of-county workers employed in the Haskell county cotton harvest during November, employment in this area and over the entire state, reached an all-time high for November, a report from Austin indicates.

Texas Employment Commission reported 2,355,600 persons held jobs, besides those on farms. The number exceeded November, 1948 by 25,000 and broke the December, 1948 record by 16,000.

Six thousand more Texans were employed making things than in October. Manufacturing employment totaled 395,300, still 5,000 below the November, 1948, peak in this line.

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Dull Trading Brings Only Slight Changes In Prices of Southwest Farm Products

Traditionally dull weekend and holiday trading allowed only slight changes in prices of farm products at the major southwest wholesale centers this Christmas week, reports the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Production and Marketing Administration.

Falling egg prices were checked somewhat by USDA's announcement of the 1950 price support program. Current receipts sold at the lowest level for any holiday season since before the war. Quotations ranged from 25 to 35 cents per dozen at the farm.

Turkeys were steady to firm with No. 1 young hens bringing

mostly 36 to 38 cents per pound, 10 cents per pound lower. Heavy chicken hens were steady around 20 to 25 cents per pound, but lightweights were weak. Fryers went down a penny or more.

Livestock receipts at both southwest and midwest yards were curtailed by cold weather and the holidays. This tended to offset the influence of the slump in the dressed meat trade.

Hogs lost 25 cents per 100 lbs. at San Antonio and Fort Worth, but went up 50 cents at Oklahoma City in line with stronger trends at midwest yards. Good and choice butchers brought mostly

\$15.50 to \$16 in the southwest.

Mixed trends prevailed at the southwest cattle yards. Slaughter classes were strong to 50 cents higher at Houston, San Antonio and Oklahoma City, but were weak to 50 cents or a dollar lower at Fort Worth and Kansas City. Most strong spots were forced as result of light offerings and good demand for that specific grade. Stockers and feeders were steady to firm.

Slaughter lambs were steady at San Antonio, weak to 50 cents lower at Fort Worth, up \$1 at Oklahoma City and tending higher at most midwest markets. Ewes were steady.

Both wool and mohair continued to bring firm prices as stocks declined. Holders asked 60 cents a pound for adult and 80 to 85 cents for kid mohair.

Most grains declined. Wheat lost several cents or more, white corn 2 to 3 cents, white yellow corn, sorghums, and oats held about steady. Barley gained 1 to 5 cents per bushel.

Most wholesale feed prices weakened along with whole grain prices. Millfeeds slipped \$2 to \$3 per ton and cottonseed meal as much as \$2. Volume of offerings

remained large but feeders bought only what they needed.

Extreme dullness in markets. Fort Worth alfalfa at 25 to 30 cents changed from a week ago. USDA's new report port farm prices of milk and butterfall wholesale dairy market.

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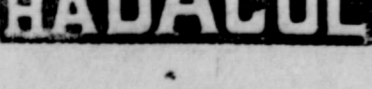
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Home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Sagerton Friday Morning

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Sagerton family in Sagerton by fire in the early morning of Friday. It is believed that the fire started from the Christmas tree which was lit in the living room. The family was preparing to go to bed when the fire started. The fire spread rapidly and the family fled to the back porch. The fire was extinguished by the fire department. The damage to the home is estimated at \$10,000. The family is now staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gibson.

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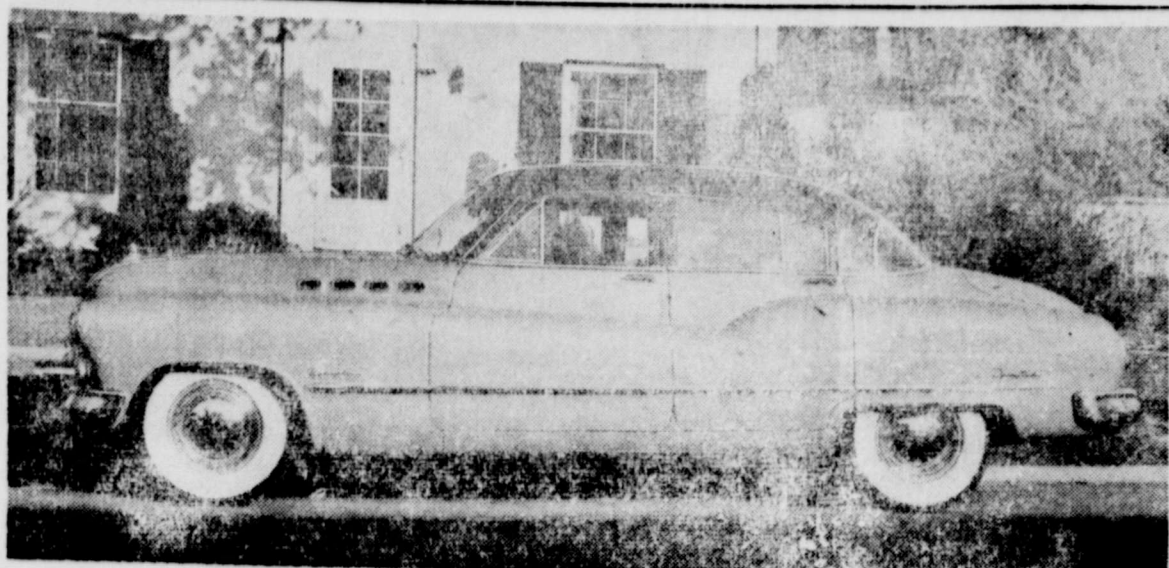
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Manske and children and Mr. E. Manske all spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Manske and Mrs. Lueders. Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Neinst for Christmas dinner were: Mr. and Mrs. Audie Vee Neinst of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. August Balzer, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stanhope, Mrs. Thos. Hemphill and Carol, and Lillian, Loretta and Zola Neinst.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Neinst who were home for Christmas are: Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Scott and family and Mr. and Mrs. Humphreys and children of Albany, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Crow and Wanda Sue of Hillsboro, Mr. and Mrs. Gerhardt Muegge and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Walling and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dick of Haskell, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Neinst and Ken of Sagerton. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. William Neinst, Victor Neinst and Mrs. Wm. Neinst's brother from Littlefield and Mr. Crow of Hillsboro.

Johnny Guinn, a student at H-SU in Abilene spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mose Guinn. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wells, Mr. and Mrs. William Neinst, Victor and Audrey Neinst and Mr. Bagwell, all of Littlefield visited here during the holidays and attended the Littlefield-Mexia game in Abilene Monday. They were accompanied by Lois and Dorothy Knippling.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Y. Benton during the Christmas holidays were: Mr. and Mrs. Yater Benton, Jr., and daughters, Marie and Margaret of Ft. Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Cook and Carolyn of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark and Bob and Steve of Sagerton. Kenneth Stegemoeiler, a student at Concordia School for Boys in Austin, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Stegemoeiler.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gray of Stamford visited Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Manske and Jerry Monday. Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Clark Christmas Day were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Cobb and Johnny of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark, Bob and

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Planned Shopping Saves Time, Effort And Money

Shopping by impulse is a good way to get poor returns for the money, time and effort spent at the grocery store, says Mrs. Vee J. Howle, county Home Demonstration Agent. The impulse shopper buys what appeals to her at the time and often doesn't consider the needs of her family nor her pocketbook. The wise shopper, on the other hand, goes to market with a list that includes the items needed by her family and shopping for her is fast and easy for she knows what she wants.

Mrs. Howle says that it is a good idea to work out menus for several days in advance and if storage space is available in the pantry or kitchen, you can save many trips to the store. Be sure to include food items that will give the family nutritious and essential foods at every meal.

She says it is often necessary to adjust the market list to what the markets offer. Staples like flour and sugar can be listed definitely, but meats, fish or poultry for the main dish, and fruits and vegetables often must be chosen in accordance with supplies and prices. In buying fruits and vegetables, compare price per serving of fresh, frozen, canned or dried before making a selection. In buying meat, eggs, and canned goods, she says, it is wise to take advantage of cheaper grades where possible for budget meals. These offer as much nutritive value as higher grades and are often just as good for many cooking purposes or for mixed dishes.

HASKELL VISITORS
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Prospective car buyers of Haskell and throughout the nation soon will know whether increased steel costs are to mean higher car prices.

Price tags are to go on many new models within the next few weeks. Undoubtedly they will reflect the auto industry's reaction to the recent \$4 a ton hike in steel prices.

Scheduled for public introduction—and new price tags—during the month ahead are all the new Chrysler models and most of General Motors' new vehicles. Other producers may be waiting to see what these heavy volume companies do about prices.

As far as steel itself is concerned the price hike should not mean a very sharp boost, if any, in car prices. Few cars now made require more than a ton and a half of steel. Many use less. And

moreover, the auto makers, facing increased competition, have been trying to cut rather than advance prices. Among the new models soon to be given public showings are Buick's Roadmaster and Super models, scheduled for next week. Chrysler, Dodge and Oldsmobile have set their public displays in dealer showrooms for Jan. 4; the new Chevrolets will be shown on Jan. 7; De Soto on Jan. 9; Plymouth Jan. 12; Lincoln and Cadillac shortly thereafter.

SPEND HOLIDAYS AT PILOT POINT
Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Gilmore and son were holiday visitors in the home of her mother, Mrs. T. E. Thornton of Pilot Point.

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NEWS OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Miss Mary Jo Zelisko and Cleo A. Nipper Wed Saturday at Bride's Home

Miss Mary Jo Zelisko, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe J. Zelisko of this city and Cleo Arthur Nipper of Wichita Falls exchanged marriage vows during a simple but impressive rite read in the home of the bride's parents, Saturday afternoon, Dec. 24.

The groom, a resident of Wichita Falls, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Nipper of Dallas.

Rev. Vernon N. Henderson, pastor of the First Methodist Church, officiated during the ceremony which was read before an audience of close friends and relatives of the couple. For the occasion, the home of the bride's parents was artistically decorated in a Yuletide motif.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attired in an aqua gabardine suit



with brown and white accessories. Her corsage was a white orchid tied with white satin streamers.

The bride's only attendant was Mrs. A. L. Roden Jr., of Munday. She wore a lovely brown suit with brown accessories. Vance Fester of Wichita Falls served as best man for the groom.

Mrs. Nipper graduated from Haskell High School. The groom graduated from Lefors Independent High School, from the University of Texas in Austin with a bachelor of business administration degree, and from Southern Methodist University. Nipper, a trust officer at the First National Bank in Wichita Falls, was affiliated with the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity at Southern Methodist University.

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A reception honoring the couple was held immediately following the ceremony in the home of the bride's parents. The refreshment table was beautiful with a white lace cover and was appointed with a crystal punch service and the traditional wedding cake.

Mrs. A. L. Roden presided at the punch table while Mrs. Joe J. Zelisko served slices of the wedding cake. Mrs. Bruce Moore presided at the bride's book.

Following a wedding trip, the couple will make their home in Wichita Falls, at 3608 Grant St.

GUESTS IN A. M. TURNER HOME CHRISTMAS

Holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Turner and family were their sons, Abe and Jimmy Turner, Texas Tech students, and their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Owens of Lubbock.

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Jud H. D. Club Has Christmas Party December 22

The Willing Workers H. D. Club members and their husbands met in the home of Mrs. R. E. Mathis Jr., for their annual Christmas party.

Christmas games and contests were planned by Mrs. E. E. Burleson and Joe Mathis. Prizes were awarded the winners.

Christmas gifts were exchanged from the gaily decorated tree. Refreshments were served from the candlelight table to Messrs. and Mesdames E. E. Burleson, Cecil Jetton, C. M. Manley, John Powell, D. N. Powell, Ira Short, H. B. Yarbrough and Mesdames S. E. Lanier, Joe Mathis and R. E. Mathis.

Alfred Turnbow's Host Friends For Christmas Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Turnbow entertained a number of relatives and friends with a Christmas dinner in the home.

Guests in the present for the enjoyable occasion included: Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Turnbow of Haskell, Mrs. S. A. Brown and son J. R. Brown of Haskell, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Drinnon and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Turnbow and Patsy, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Turnbow and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ayeock and Jimmy, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Puschel and Mike, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Therwanger and Alfred Lynn and Karen Kay, James Fowler and Lavoid Robertson of Haskell.

Callers at the Turnbow home during the afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Edd Honea and David, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dumas, Roberta, and Billie Clyde, Mrs. Sam Cartwright and baby of Oklahoma.

VISITORS IN HOME OF MRS. L. D. RATLIFF

Visitors in the home of Mrs. L. D. Ratliff during the Christmas holidays were Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Ratliff, Jr., and family of Spur; Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Ratliff, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. David Ratliff and family, Stamford; and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pierson and children of Orange.

HERE FOR HOLIDAYS

Miss Hassie Davis, teacher in the Dallas Public Schools, was a holiday visitor in the home of relatives here.

Children of Mrs. I. H. Harrell Home For Christmas

Mrs. I. H. Harrell had the following children home for Christmas: Mr. and Mrs. Rollo Harrell, Billy, Jimmy and Garry; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Harrel and Clyde Jr., all of Hale Center; Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Harrell, Mr. and Mrs. Hoie Harrell, Francis and Don, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Tom Gordon and Billy Dan, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Carroll and Betty Jan, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Allen and Paulette, Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Ray Foster and a brother-in-law, Charlie A. Harrell of Ranger. All the children were home with the exception of a daughter, Mrs. W. H. Pugh and family of Phoenix, Ariz. All went to the home of J. B. Carroll for a Christmas Tree and dinner on Christmas Eve night.

HASKELL VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Roberts of Wichita Falls were holiday visitors in the homes of relatives here.

Children Visit In Home of Mrs. Anna Vaughn Christmas

Mrs. Anna Vaughn had as her guests for Christmas her four daughters, Mrs. W. T. Clark of Carlsbad, N. M., Mrs. C. T. Aaron of Edinburg, Mrs. C. H. Bryant of Breckenridge and Mrs. M. O. Bruloe of Haskell. Also three granddaughters, Mrs. Watson Hayes of Carlsbad, N. M., Mrs. Bud Reed, Fort Worth, Texas, Miss June Bryant, Breckenridge; and grandsons, Carl Vaughn, St. Jo, Missouri, Curtis Cross, Belleville, Ill., Thurman Clark of Carlsbad, N. M., and great grandsons, Kenneth and Percy Hayes, Curtis Cross, Jr., and Barbara Ann Cross, Patricia Ann, Lena Fae and Alma Mae Reed of Fort Worth.

Twist Type Rug Gains Favor With Home Lovers

Right now there seems to be a "tug-of-war" between the twist-type carpets and rugs and the "cut pile" type, so far as consumer preference is concerned. The twist type is becoming more popular and is actually challenging the long supremacy of the other type, says Mrs. Bernice Claytor, extension home management specialist of Texas A. & M. College.

She says consumer prefer the twist-type with the harder surface and nubby or pebbly look, because it shows soil and footprints less easily, has good scuff resistance, is of plain color yet may give a two-tone effect because the uneven surface provides highlights and shadows.

The big difference between the two types of carpets is that in the twist-type the loops of yarn are left uncut while in the cut-pile type the loops are sheared off leaving the familiar soft, velvet-like surface.

Another trend in buying, she says, is toward the small, brightly-colored cotton rug. They are especially popular with the younger generation because they add cheerful color to the home at little cost and are well suited for informal house furnishings. Larger cotton rugs are being favored for their informal pattern and good color even though they are less durable than wool in a rug.

When small rugs are used, Mrs. Claytor says they should be fixed so they will not slip for many serious home accidents are caused from falls on small or throw rugs.

Blue Bonnet H-D Club Has Annual Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party of the Blue Bonnet Home Demonstration Club provided a fitting climax to the year's activities, Tuesday evening, Dec. 20, when club members and their families gathered in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Knipping.

A turkey dinner and all the trimmings was served buffet style by Mrs. R. V. Hagle, assisted by Mrs. Perry Pennel.

The table was laid with a lace cloth, with a centerpiece of red carnations and yellow chrysanthemums, flanked on either side with burning red candles. Other table appointments were of silver and crystal.

Adding to the festive appearance were poinsettias, a snow scene, and mistletoe.

The group sang traditional and popular Christmas carols. Myrtle Murray and Sue Williams sang a duet. A solo was given by J. D. Wendeborn, and Barbara Wilson gave a special number.

Highlighting the program was Mrs. Rex Murray, who told the story of the "Other Wise Man" by Henry Van Dyke.

Gifts were exchanged from a multi-lighted Christmas tree.

Places were marked for Messrs. and Mesdames Raymond Astin, A. C. Denson, John Wendeborn, Lee Cornelius, Arthur Williams, R. V. Hagle, G. E. Davis, Rex Murray, Joe Holcomb, Less Lewis, Edd Conner, and Sue Williams, J. D. Wendeborn, Myrtle and Edith Murray, Barbara Wilson; Mrs. George Fourqurean, Mrs. J. M. Alexander and Mrs. Perry Pennel of Stamford.



Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hutchinson of Weimert are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Eunice, to Jimmy Cox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Cox of Haskell.

Miss Sue Gordon And Bob Guess Exchange Vows

Friday afternoon December 23 at 4 o'clock Miss Sue Gordon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Gordon became the bride of Bob Guess, son of Mrs. Rebus Guess.

Rev. Walter Copeland, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Weimert read the impressive ceremony at the church parsonage. Wilbert Klose and Alice Cox were the couple's attendants.

The bride chose for her wedding dress a blue satin street length dress with sweetheart neckline fashioned with a full skirt. Her corsage was white roses. Miss Cox wore a rust crepe dress with pink carnation corsage.

After a short wedding trip to Carlsbad and other points in New Mexico the couple will make their home in the Mattson community where Mr. Guess is engaged in farming.

TEXAS TECH STUDENTS HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Among the Texas Tech students home for Christmas holidays were Nancy Ann Furrh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Furrh; Milton Christian, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Christian; and Bobby Don Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Smith.

HERE FROM CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Carrigan and son Rex of Sacramento, California, visited in the home of their sister and aunt and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brannan and other relatives and friends here the past week.

U. S. Stands Low On List of Nations Getting New Year

From the precise instruments of the naval observatory in Washington, and through the great Arlington radio towers, America and much of the world will learn the exact instant when the old year has passed and 1950 has taken its place. And it is from another haunt of science in the capital, The National Geographic Society, that one learns when and where the new year begins.

The United States, accustomed to ranking itself pretty highly in world esteem, has to content itself with being about sixth-rate in the eyes of Father Time, the society points out. For time serves up the new year to Australia, Asia, Africa, Europe and most of South America before he gets around to the first of our citizens in Maine.

Then, for three more hours, the people of California must munch the crusts and pick the bones of the old year before they receive a fresh helping of time; and the residents of Alaska must wait two more hours beyond that.

When the New Year actually is born it will be 7 a. m. December 31 in our eastern cities; 6 a. m. in the central time zone; 5 a. m. in the mountain zone, and 4 a. m. in the Pacific coast states.

While the New Year celebrations in all countries are basically similar, there are many interesting variations and special features. For example, in Great Britain the king's honor list provides a large topic of conversation on New Year's day. The wassail bowl is an important part of the New Year observance in England, and "open house" is generally kept in town as well as country.

New Year's customs always have had a joyful flavor. Few tears ever mark the death of the old year, but there is always gladness at the advent of the new era which mankind always hopes will prove to be better than the old one.

VISITOR IN HASKELL

Felix Byrd, home on leave from the Marines, spent the week end with relatives and friends.

VISITORS FROM ARIZONA

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Address and children of Miami, Arizona, spent the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends here.

VISITS PARENTS

Richard Baccus of Lubbock, Texas spent Christmas with his parents and family here.

SPEND CHRISTMAS IN PAMPA

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Tooley and Kenneth spent the Christmas holidays in the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Cone at Pampa.

RETURN HOME AFTER HOLIDAY VISIT HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Clifton and son Rickie of Fort Worth, and Mrs. C. C. Dickerson of San Antonio have returned to their homes after spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mart Clifton in this city.

SPENDS CHRISTMAS WITH PARENTS HERE

Mrs. C. H. Breazeale and daughter Ruth of San Angelo spent the Christmas holidays in the home of Mrs. Breazeale's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Ellis of this city.

VISITORS IN C. N. SCOGGINS HOME

Mr. and Mrs. James McDaniel and Miss Junita Scoggins of Dallas were holiday visitors in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Scoggins.

VISIT PARENTS HOLIDAYS

T. Sgt. and Mrs. C. and children spent the holidays in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Bruloe of Haskell. They left for Carlsbad Monday where Sgt. C. and children spent for the past few days in the home of Mrs. Bruloe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Bruloe of Haskell.

HOLIDAY VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Dunnam of this city had a holiday home during the holidays. Mrs. Dunnam is the daughter of Mrs. Westbrock and Lubbock.

HERE FROM NEW MEXICO

Mr. and Mrs. Watson of Carlsbad, N. M. spent the holidays in the home of Mrs. Vaughn and her sister, Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Mose Hayes in Tom

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Buick Prices Cut As Much As \$310 On New Models

Price cuts ranging from \$65 to \$310 were announced Tuesday by Buick Motors on certain of its 1950 model cars. The reductions include a recently announced cut of \$40 on Buick's torque converter transmission.

The new lower price tags affect models in the new Roadmaster and Super Series. No change is made on the Special series, introduced last August. In the Roadmaster series \$65 and \$76 cuts are made respectively in the sedanette and four-door sedan, while \$190 reductions are made on the convertible, \$310 on the so-called hard-top convertible and \$290 on the estate wagon. In the super series the convertible is cut \$85 and the estate wagon \$300.

MR. AND MRS. E. L. HILLIARD PARENTS OF DAUGHTER Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hilliard of Haskell are announcing the arrival of their daughter, born Dec. 24 at the Haskell County Hospital. The little girl weighed seven pounds, one ounce, and has been named Patricia Ann. Grandparents of the new arrival are Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hilliard of Haskell and Joe Kolasa of Minneapolis, Minn.

CARD OF THANKS May we take this means of thanking our friends who were so thoughtful of us during the illness and after the death of our loved one. We would indeed like to thank you for the lovely floral tribute to his memory and for the food sent. We especially want to thank Dr. Nail, Dr. Williams, Dr. Willie Treat, Bro. Allen Webb, Mrs. Mary Martin, Mrs. Alfred Pierson, and Miss Carolyn Turner. The Family of Allen Adams.

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Christopher Columbus was the first white man to celebrate New Year's day in the western hemisphere. While his ships were being repaired on January 1, 1493, he enjoyed a sumptuous dinner with two savage monarchs on the island of Haiti. After his meal, historians say, the discoverer of America had his first smoke of tobacco.

History of The New Year Goes Back As Far As Ancient Europe

Everywhere throughout the world for thousands of years man has celebrated the passing of time. He has done so in various seasons and to the accompaniment of different customs — but always the holiday has been one of gladness and joy, of hope and brightness, of light and laughter.

The history of the celebration of New Year's day goes far back into antiquity. It is only in relatively recent times that New Year's day has been observed on January 1. The holiday has been a movable one and various races have marked it in different seasons. For instance, the ancient Persians and Egyptians celebrated New Year's on September 22, the autumnal equinox, while the Greeks did so at the winter solstice, December 21. The vernal equinox, March 22, marked the beginning of the year for the Jews.

At the New Year season through the ages, man has taken new stock of himself, and has pledged himself to higher, finer things and has resolved that ere the year ends, he will have done those things which would move him nearer Utopia.

New Year's Day has always been actively celebrated in the United States and from Colonial times to the present it has been a day of great significance. Presidents have received the public at great receptions on that day, and the custom of visiting friends and relatives is one which has survived until the present.

New Year's eve seems to be growing in popularity as a time of jollity and good fellowship and the average American feels lost unless he can "go somewhere" and "do something" on the turn of the year. Of the many legends and traditions which have grown around the significance of the New Year, the one most persistent is that what you do on the first day of the year will be an indication of what will happen in the months to follow. As an example, to open a bank account at New Year's was considered lucky in old England.

So deep-seated was the general belief in the "first thing" determining "future things" that even after the festival was declared a general holiday, many clung to their old-time beliefs, and to insure work for the coming year would set the pace by spending at least an hour or two in some useful pursuit.

The first day of the year has been more generally observed than any other holiday and over a longer period.

Omens of good luck have always been associated with the new year, all founded more or less upon the belief that a supreme power was vested in some unseen deity who could bring good luck if properly appeased, or mete out punishments. The Romans named their new year in honor of Janus, the two-faced god, who had the power to look back over the past and also, in a prophetic way, could look into the future.

He was represented with a key in his hand symbolizing his power to open doors and gateways, and this holiday was one of great gaiety lasting several days.

The festival was not observed in midwinter, but in the spring, when the Roman year began, and had only 10 months. Later, when two months were added to the calendar, January and February were placed at the beginning of the year and New Year was celebrated on the first of January.

The "first foot" — the first person to enter the house on New Year's day — plays a significant role in the family's future fortunes, according to several old superstitions concerning the beginning of a new year.

To bring good luck, the first arrival must be a dark man, but if he also brings a gift and "carries in" more than he "takes out" then the house is assured peace and plenty for a whole year. The most auspicious gift as luck bringer is a lump of coal or a red herring.

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Texas— ORANGES	3 Lbs.	25c
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HOLIDAY VISITORS
Mr. and Mrs. Gene Harrell and baby, David Paul, of Fort Worth spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Harrell.

SPENDS HOLIDAYS IN FORT WORTH
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brannan spent the Christmas holidays in the home of their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Priddy in Fort Worth.

HASKELL VISITORS
Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Carrigan and children of Carbon, Texas, visited in the home of his sister, Mrs. Bill Brannan, Monday.

VISIT IN ABILENE
Mr. and Mrs. Alton Middleton and children were Christmas visitors in the home of his parents in Abilene.

HERE FROM SHAMROCK.
Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Metcalf and children were Christmas visitors in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. V. Marrs.

VISIT IN PITTSBURG
Mr. and Mrs. Terry M. Diggs were Christmas visitors in the home of her parents in Pittsburg.

GUESTS IN J. M. CRAWFORD HOME FOR CHRISTMAS
Visitors in the J. M. Crawford home over the Christmas holidays were Horace Crawford of Delmita, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Crawford of Dallas, and Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Crawford and children of Wichita Falls.

HERE FROM SPUR
Mr. and Mrs. Raul English and family of Spur visited here this week in the homes of their parents, Mrs. Booth English and Mrs. W. D. Kemp.

VISITORS IN PERSONS HOME
Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Brittingham of San Antonio were Christmas visitors in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave H. Persons.

VISITING PARENTS
Mr. and Mrs. Dan Oates of Austin are visiting this week in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hill Oates.

ATTEND FUNERAL OF ALLEN ADAMS
Among the out-of-town relatives and friends who attended the funeral of Allen D. Adams here last week were: M. A. McLaughlin, Ann and Gene of Dallas, Texas; Arnett Ware of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Baugh of Muleshoe, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Holloman and Betty of Portales, N. M.; Mrs. Fannie Sullivan and Spencer Sullivan of Spur; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bledsoe of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bledsoe, Jr., of Lamesa; Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Whitaker of Lamesa; Mrs. S. W. Treat, Abilene.

VISITORS IN BARTON HOME
Mr. and Mrs. Beuford Barton are visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Barton in this city.

VISITING IN ABILENE AND MERKEL
Mrs. Courtney Hunt and daughter, Miss Madalin, were in Abilene the first of the week, where Madalin remained for a visit and Mrs. Hunt in spending several days with relatives and friends in Merkel.

VISIT IN SEYMOUR
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bacus and (Richard and Duane, and Mrs. I. A. Lee visited Mrs. Warren Bacus, a patient in Seymour hospital, Christmas day.

VISITORS FROM KRESS
Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Tooley of Kress, Texas, spent Friday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Tooley. W. M. Tooley is a journalism student at the University of Missouri working on his M. A. degree.

HERE FROM NEW MEXICO
Rev. and Mrs. J. H. McClendon, former pastor of the Assembly of God Church here, were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Graham Monday night. They were en route to their home in Artesia, N. M.

VISITORS FROM GRAND PRAIRIE
Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Monsey and children of Grand Prairie were Christmas visitors in the home of her mother, Mrs. Lura Sellers in this city.

More Planning Needed on Texas Farms, Expert Says

Farmers and farm families are faced with a challenge that can be met most successfully through planning and efficient production. The level of farm prices is edging downward and acreage allotments are being made and these conditions will make necessary changes in farm operations. Farm living standards have im-

proved during the last 10 years and good management will be necessary to maintain them, says C. H. Bates, extension farm management specialist of Texas A. & M. College. He reports that county extension agents are assisting farm families in setting up plans for further improvement of farm production practices and suggests that the following management poses of crop production be considered when you start on your future plans.

Select and use the highest yielding adaptable crop varieties and don't forget the new corn hybrids. The most productive parts

of the farm should be planted to cash crops. If you are in an area of the state where commercial fertilizers can be successfully used, get your fertilizers early and apply them generously, says Bates. Use the best known cultural practices and these should include soil-building and moisture conserving measures. Be on the alert for insects and disease hazards and if they show up use control measures for control pays off in greater production and better quality in the crops. Then store your produce to get the highest market prices—generally quality merchandise faces the least competition.

Bates says another item you'll not want to overlook is to do the necessary work at the time when it will be most beneficial and time-saving. The use of proper sized tractors and equipment with well trained operators may eliminate costly hand labor by permitting early cultivation of crops.

Finally, he says the use of good business methods in farming are as essential to the farmers as they are to a modern factory operation. Competition will "weed out" the inefficient producer. Farm records, he points out, are an aid to better farm planning for they are the "eyes and ears" of your farming business and can help you make the kind of plans that will increase farm profits and maintain the present high standards of living.

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GUESTS IN HOME OF MRS. PAXTON

Mrs. R. J. Paxton had the following guests in her home for the holidays: Mr. and Mrs. Joe L. Searcy of Huntsville; Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Lewis, Jean and Betty of Hawley; Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Ammons, Betty and Jimmie of Baytown. Mrs. Paxton accompanied them to Baytown and Huntsville for a several weeks visit.

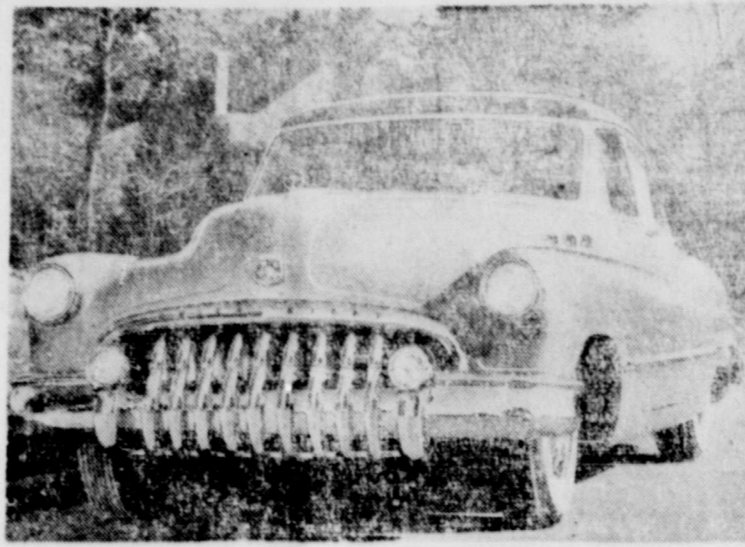
ATTEND WEDDING IN VERNON

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Pierson, Col. and Mrs. Jim Isbell and son Jimmy, Mrs. J. P. Payne and Mary Beth Payne were in Vernon Friday to attending the wedding of Lois Ann McPherson. Miss McPherson is a niece of Mrs. Payne and Mrs. Pierson.

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CURRY CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor, Rev. John W. Seay
Sunday School 10 a. m.
Morning Service 11:00 a. m.
(Sermon by Pastor)
Evening Service 7:00 p. m.
(Sermon by Pastor)
Everyone is welcome.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

400 South Avenue E.
J. U. McMullen, Pastor
9:45 Sunday School.
11:00 A. M. Worship and Sermon.
6:30 Young People's Service.
7:30 Evangelistic Service.
Monday, 2:30, Women's Missionary Council.
Wednesday, 7:30, Prayer Meeting.
Saturday, 7:30, Young Peoples Evangelistic Service.

MATTSON BAPTIST CHURCH

10:00 A. M. Sunday School.
11:00 A. M. Preaching Service.
7:45 P. M. Evening Service.
EAST SIDE BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. W. T. Priddy, Pastor

8:30 A. M. Radio Sermon by the pastor, Rev. W. T. Priddy, over station KDWT, Stamford.
9:45 A. M. Sunday School.
11 a. m. Morning Preaching Service
7:00 p. m. — Young People's Meeting.
7:30 p. m. — Evening Preaching Service.

THE CHURCH OF GOD

909 South 1st Street, East
Geo. Ivy, Pastor
Sunday School at 9:45 A. M.
Message at 11:00 A. M.
Preaching Sunday Evening 7:00 P. M.
Prayer Meeting Tuesday 7:00 P. M.

LUTHERAN CHURCH SERVICES

Trinity Lutheran church members will meet at the Presbyterian Church in Haskell on the following schedule:
First Sunday in each month at 11 a. m.
Third Sunday in each month at 2:30 p. m.

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Jesse Jones, Pastor
9:45 A. M. Sunday School.
11:00 A. M. Preaching Service.
6:30 P. M. Young People's Class.
7:00 P. M. Song Service.
7:30 P. M. Preaching Service.
Wednesday, 7:00 P. M., Prayer Service.
Friday, 7:00 P. M. Choir Practice and Teachers' Meeting.

FUNDAMENTAL BAPTIST CHURCH

114 Ave. D, South 2nd St.
Rev. S. C. Willis, Pastor
10 a. m. Sunday School.
11 a. m. Morning Message.
7 p. m. Young People's Service.
8:00 p. m. Evening Message.
Wednesday, 7:15 p. m. Prayer Meeting.
Friday, 7:15 p. m. Teachers' Meeting and Young People's Training Service.

PINKERTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Jack D. Wester, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00.
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Training Union 6:30
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Accidents Take Heavy Life Toll Of Children

Take all deaths among children from 1 to 4 years old caused by the so-called childhood diseases, and they would total a little more than half the child deaths caused by accidents.

Figures released by the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Texas State Department of Health, show accidental deaths in 1948 killed 593 children under 4 years of age, 218 of them under one year, while the combined deaths from diseases of childhood—scarlet fever, whooping cough, diphtheria, measles, poliomyelitis, and epidemic meningitis—killed only 324 children in the same age group. The report shows one of every three deaths in the 5-9 age group is accidental; four of ten deaths in the 10-19 age group is accidental, and very little decline is noted in that rate through the other age groups under 30.

State Health Officer Geo. W. Cox said, "State and local health officials can prevent epidemic diseases, and safeguard food and water supplies, but it is up to the individual citizen to protect himself from untimely death by accident."

According to the report, of 100 accidental deaths, 30 involve motor vehicles, 12 are due to falling or crushing, 5 are due to drowning, and 4 are due to burns.

And despite frequent reports of death resulting from "not knowing it was loaded," only three of every 100 accidental deaths involve firearms, the Health Department report revealed.

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FLOUR	25 lb. sack	\$1.98
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VEGETABLES		
LETTUCE	head	12c
SPUDS	lb.	5c
FRESH TOMATOES		15c
ORANGES	lb.	12c



O'NEAL'S RECIPE OF THE WEEK

by Mary Lee Taylor

Cheese Chips
1 cup sifted cake flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup soft shortening
1 cup grated American cheese
3 tablespoons Fat Milk
1 tablespoon water
4 teaspoons caraway seeds
Sift flour with salt. Work in shortening with fork. When mixture looks like small peas, fold in cheese. Stir in gradually mixture of 2 tablespoons milk and the water. Shape dough into a roll about 1 1/2 in. thick. Wrap in waxed paper. Chill several hours or overnight. Turn on oven; set at moderately hot (400° F.). Cut chilled dough in 1/8-in. slices. Put on well-greased and floured baking sheets. Brush with remaining tablespoon milk. Sprinkle with seeds. Bake on oven shelf slightly above center about 12 min., or until light brown. Makes 4 dozen.
*Poppy or celery seed also can be used.

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FOR SALE—5 room house with all modern conveniences. 1 1/2 acres of land. See Woodley Davis at Smitty's. 49-4tc.

FOR SALE—Kirkpatrick home place north part town. Frame house, five rooms and bath; built in kitchen cabinet; two porches; garage; concrete cellar; chicken house. Two or four lots. Clear title and abstract. See Kirby Kirkpatrick. 49-4p

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VISIT IN RISING STAR AND CROSS PLAINS

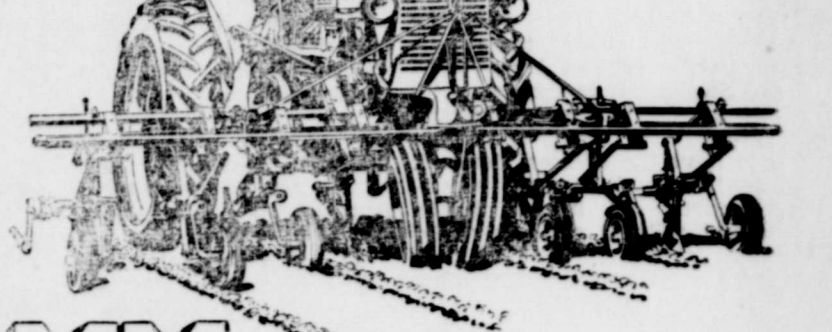
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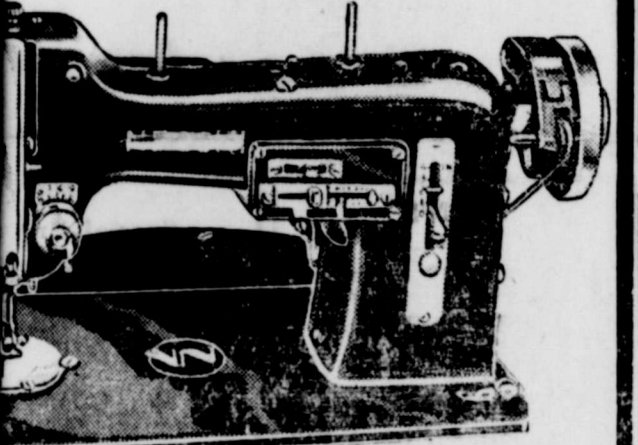
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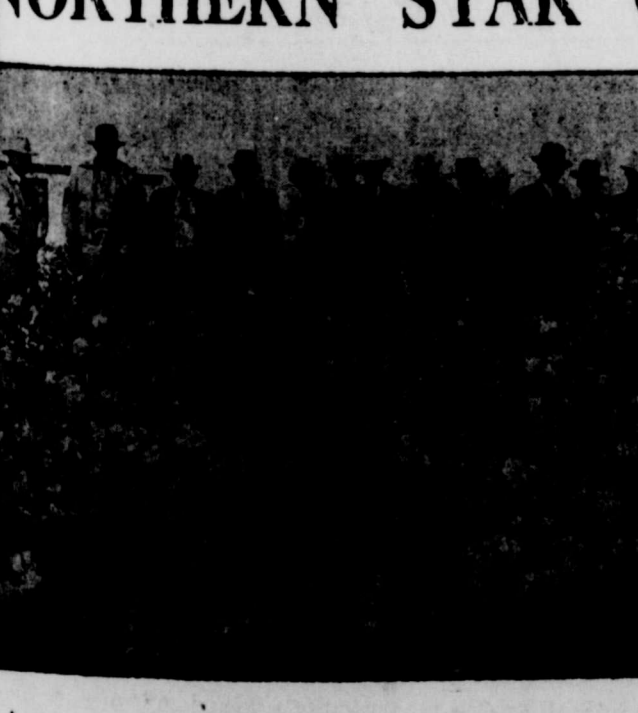
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Babson's Report—

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have more competition from foreign producers of raw materials and of manufactured goods during 1950 than they had during 1949. This will benefit some American concerns, but be harmful to others.

26. Fear of war with Russia will continue during 1950. World War III will come sometime; but it will not start during 1950. These in large vulnerable cities should use these years of peace to get some small farm or country home to which they can go in case of war. Such places will be almost unobtainable when war actually comes.

Deficit Financing
27. The supply of money will be increased during 1950, but the price of Government bonds will not change one way or the other during 1950.

28. In addition to the anticipated Federal deficit the \$3,000,000,000 being distributed as insurance refunds to veterans will be mostly spent.

29. Congress will not change the price of gold during 1950.

Stock Market
30. Most stocks will work up and down in about the same range during 1950 as during 1949.

31. Stocks of companies with assets mostly in natural resources known as inflation stocks, should have the greatest demand.
32. There will be more investment buying for income during 1950 and utilities and companies making labor-saving machinery may be more popular than other industrials or railroads.

33. The wisest investors will keep a fair amount of their funds liquid throughout 1950 pending the great break in stock prices which will come someday.

Bonds
34. High-grade taxable corporate bonds bearing low coupon rates should continue at about the same prices during 1950, but of course, they will sell for much lower prices when money rates increase.
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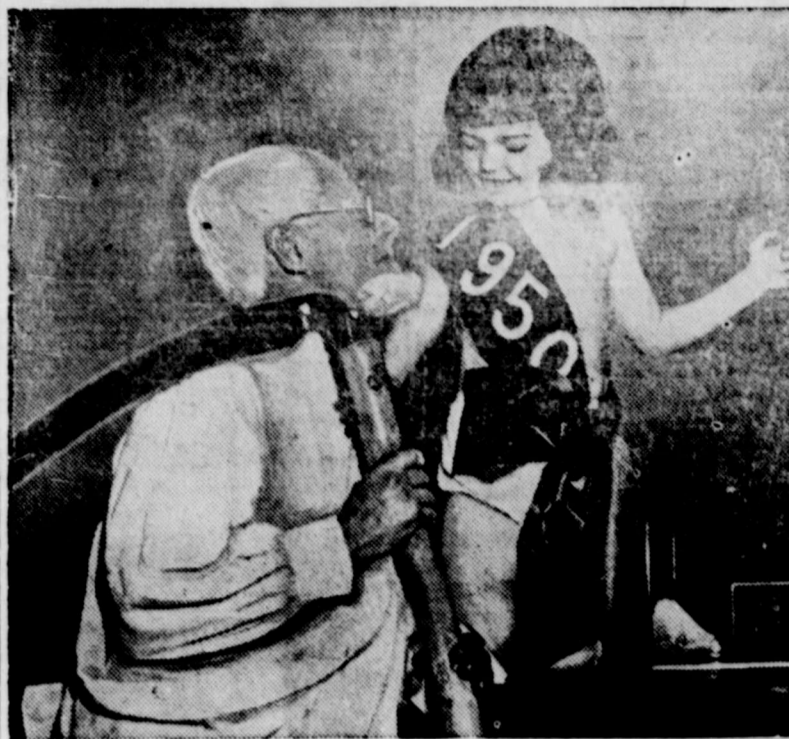
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Sgt. Geo. Ferguson Leaves For Japan After Visit Here

S/Sgt. George E. Ferguson, U. S. Army Engineers, left recently to return to his new station at Nagasaki, Japan, after a visit here with his father, L. B. Ferguson, Haskell building contractor, and Mrs. Ferguson.

S/Sgt. Ferguson has been in the Army for three years, and for the past two years had been stationed in Korea. During his stay in the States, he took delivery of a new automobile, which he will ship to Japan for use during his assignment in that country.

VISITS IN ROTAN
Mrs. Mary Martin was a Christmas visitor in the homes of relatives in Rotan.

HERE FROM AUSTIN
Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Davis, Jr., and sons of Austin were visitors in the homes of their parents Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Davis, Sr., and family of Rule, and Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Whiteaker of Haskell during the holidays.

HERE FROM LOUISIANA
Mr. and Mrs. Dan Ellett of Minden, La., spent several days in Haskell this week visiting friends. Mrs. Ellett is the former Edna Minick of Haskell.

VISITOR FROM BIG SPRING
June Ann Day, teacher in the Big Spring schools, was a Haskell visitor this week in the home of Mrs. Brooks Middleton and other friends.

HOLIDAY VISITOR
Mr. and Mrs. John H. Atterbury, Jr., and children of Bryan are spending the Christmas holidays in the home of her mother, Mrs. Elam Parish and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Atterbury, Sr., of Knox City.

VISIT PARENTS HERE
Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bradley and children of Lela, Texas, were holiday visitors in the homes of their parents here, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Bradley and Mr. and Mrs. I. V. Marrs and other relatives and friends.

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48. 1950 will be an election year. The Republican Party will remain in the doghouse. The Administration will continue to talk radically against Wall Street and the so-called "Selfish Interests" but at heart the Administration will be fairly conservative. Its bark will be far worse than its bite.

49. The Administration will continue to be sympathetic to organized labor unless someone like John L. Lewis goes too far. In that event, such a man will be made the whipping boy, but with the consent of other prominent labor leaders.

50. The Congressional Elections of 1950 will not change the political status of Congress to any great extent.

VISIT IN FORT WORTH

Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Florence were holiday visitors in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Kelley and Mr. and Mrs. Max Florence and families of Ft. Worth. They were joined there by Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Florence of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wileman and daughter of Tatum, N. M. Their trip included a visit in the home of L. T. Florence's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Florence of Granbury.

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VISIT PARENTS
Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Chambers and son of McKinney and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hill and son of Leveland were visitors in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Sloan and family during the Christmas holidays.

HOLIDAY VISITORS IN R. L. BURTON HOME

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Burton during the Christmas holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey Rogers of Goree; her mother, Mrs. U. S. Rogers of Monday; Mrs. William Jones of Cane Hill, Ark; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rogers and daughters and Mrs. Ellen Bryant of Ft. Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Terry Warren, Wink; Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Stodghill and family of Kermit; Maurice Partin of Corpus Christi; and Mrs. Alice Wray, of Kermit.

HOLIDAY VISITORS IN HOMES OF PARENTS
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Roberts and children of Austin were Christmas visitors in the homes of their parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Sam A. Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Free. Other holiday visitors in the Roberts home were Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson of Fort Worth and J. W. Roberts of Corpus Christi.

SPEND HOLIDAYS WITH MOTHER
Mr. and Mrs. Jewell Gentry and sons of Dallas spent the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. A. Q. Gentry.

VISIT IN DENTON
Mr. and Mrs. Herman Henry and children were holiday visitors in the home of his mother in Denton.

GUESTS IN HELLUMS HOME FOR HOLIDAYS
Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hellums of this city for the holidays were their children, Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Wren of the Rio Grande Valley, who have returned to their home in Hulingen; Miss Wynell Hellums of Dallas; Mrs. Hellums' mother, Mrs. A. J. Gossett of Alvord; her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wall of Portales, N. M.

HOME FOR CHRISTMAS
Mary Grindstaff of Dallas spent the Christmas holidays in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Grindstaff.

HERE FROM MORAN
Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Jones of Moran, former residents of Haskell, were Christmas visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John

HOLIDAY VISITORS
W. A. GILMOR
Holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gilmor were her mother, Mrs. Russell Peach of Dallas; Mrs. Bob McGee of Dallas; Dr. and Mrs. Lee W. San Angelo, and Dr. King of Fort Worth. Peach is remaining for an extended stay.

SPEND CHRISTMAS IN STAMFORD
Mr. and Mrs. Ed and daughter, and Welsh visited in the home of their parents in Stamford (Christmas. The annual reunion of the family, fifty-seventh anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. can.

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