

Merry Christmas

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The Patrol Checks County Accident

The Texas Highway Patrol investigated one accident on highways in Kent County during the month of November, 1974, according to Sergeant Frank Jircik, Highway Patrol supervisor of this area. These crashes resulted in no persons killed and no persons injured.

The rural traffic accident summary for this county during the first eleven months of 1974 shows a total of five accidents resulting in no persons killed and five persons injured.

The rural traffic accident summary for the 60 counties of Lubbock Department of

Public Safety Region for November, 1974, shows a total of 497 accidents resulting in ten persons killed and 229 persons injured as compared to November, 1973, with 606 accidents resulting in 255 persons killed and 349 persons injured. This was 109 less accidents, 15 less killed, and 120 less injured in 1974 at the same period of time.

The ten traffic deaths for the month of November, 1974, occurred in the following counties: two in Hansford, one each in Cochran, Crosby, Dickens, Gray, Haskell, Hutchinson, Montague, and Throckmorton.

Santa Is Coming

Kids! Santa is coming to Jayton Thursday and Friday. He will be at the Moore Western Auto Store. There will be free candy, live music, and a large display of toys. Meet Santa at Western Auto Thursday and Friday.

State Safety Officials Expect 14 Texans To Die Over Weekend

The director of the Texas Department of Public Safety last week warned that as many as 14 persons may die in Texas during the Christmas and New Year holiday periods. Colonel Wilson E. Speir stated that 14 lives would be lost between 6 p.m. Christmas Eve and midnight Christmas Day. He said an estimated 16 fatalities are expected from 6 p.m. New Year's Eve to midnight New Year's.

Speir noted that the Christmas - New Year season is traditionally one of the most dangerous driving periods. He said the problem is compounded by the large numbers of persons taking holiday trips during seasonal parties. The DPS director urged drivers to be especially watchful on Christmas Day for youngsters trying out new cycles, minibikes, and motorcycles. And he reminded motorists that minibikes and motorcycles cannot be operated legally on public streets unless the vehicle is properly licensed, has a state inspection sticker, and the operator has the appropriate class of driver's license.

A more pointed reminder was directed to drivers who plan to mix drinking with their travels. Speir said DPS troopers have been directed to be especially watchful for motorists under the influence of alcohol.

He pointed out that the DPS will be conducting its holiday "Operation Motorcade" with extra numbers of troopers on duty throughout the Christmas and New Year periods. Speed, one of the chief factors in fatal accidents, will be checked by radar.

"We hope every Texas driver will join in our year-end efforts to make the holiday season safe and happy," Speir concluded.

Teddy Turner and Eugene Lee visited Alpha Hamlin in Abilene last week. Alpha has been sick for several weeks.

Gordon Morin was here visiting last week.

Paula Mayer and Tommy Graham of Aspermont went to the Jim Ned-Aledo game at Abilene Sat. Aledo won.

Beef Is Top Buy For Holiday Food

Beef is a top choice for a practical Christmas gift, points out a meats specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Excellent buys are available in the "light" beef section of today's markets.

Beef might be merchandised as calf, light beef, budget beef or baby beef. Beef may be bought either by the piece on the market or by the side or quarter from many different sources such as meat markets, locker plants or any plant selling beef.

No Paper Next Week

As is the custom in recent years, there will be no issue of the Jayton Chronicle for the week between Christmas and New Year. The office will be closed during that week. However, anyone having news for the paper the following week, you may mail it in, or bring it by the office and put it in the slot in the door. Thanks very much. Have a very happy holiday season.

Example of Good Crop Management



This picture of a Kent County wheat field is an excellent example of good crop residue management. Stubble from the preceding crop is an effective cover to help prevent both wind and water erosion on cropland.

Besides protecting the soil against erosion, stubble or other plant residue at its surface increases its intake of water, and contributes to improving its structure. Tillage equipment designed to leave stubble and other plant residue on the surface

has become widely used throughout Kent County by conservation farmers. For further information on crop residue management, please contact your Soil Conservation Service working through Duck Creek Soil and Water Conservation District.



Three farm bureau people attended the State Convention. From the left Dean Quade, Sheila Chisum and Z.R. Chisum.

Three Delegates Of FB Attend The State Convention

Stonewall County Farm Bureau was represented by three delegates to the 41st annual meeting of the Texas Farm Bureau Dec. 1-4 at the Convention Center in Dallas. Some 1,500 persons from all parts of Texas attended.

Policies to guide the state's largest farm organization next year were adopted by the more than 900 voting delegates representing the majority of the 210 organized county units. Also approved were recommendations on national issues. These will be forwarded to the American Farm Bureau Federation annual meeting Jan. 5-9 in New Orleans.

Delegates registered Sunday, Dec. 1, before participating in the evening's activities which included a Vesper Service, Discussion Meet and Talent Find.

The Monday morning agenda included addresses by TFB President J.T. (Red) Woodson and Governor Dolph Briscoe. A fashion show was featured at a luncheon for ladies that day.

Special conferences were

held Monday afternoon on the following subjects: Community Services, Dairy, Wheat and Feed Grains, Rice, Cotton, Young Farmers and Ranchers, and Livestock and Animal Health. In the state finals of the TFB Queen Contest that evening, Miss Glynis Tietzen of Schulenburg was chosen queen over 10 other candidates.

Tuesday's activities included the administrative report by Executive Director Warren Newberry, and the financial report by Secretary-Treasurer Bill Reid of Lamesa and Comptroller Bill McClain of Waco. Conferences were held that afternoon on Research and Education, Services, Farm Labor, Poultry, Natural Resources and Field Crops.

Singer Anita Bryant and the Church Bird Orchestra entertained at a special awards and recognition program that evening.

The convention business session began Tuesday afternoon and continued through Wednesday. The last order of business was the election of

Joint Community Christmas Program Here Dec. 22nd

The Assembly, First United Methodist and First Baptist will have a Community Christmas program. The churches will meet in the First Baptist Church Sunday evening, Dec. 22, at 7:00 p.m. The Christmas program will consist of the youth of each church combining their voices under the direction of Bob Hamilton. Several Christmas hymns and carols will be sung by this group.

The churches extend a very warm welcome to each family and person of our community to be present for this program. We have also invited a very special

guest to be with us and have a part on the program. Santa Claus has promised to spend a few minutes with us, and hear request from mom's, dad's and all the kids as to what they want for Christmas.

We pray this program will help us celebrate the birth of Christ in the right spirit and help make us aware of the true meaning of Christmas and the wonderful and personal love of our Heavenly Father. Come to the Christmas program First Baptist Church, Sunday Dec. 22, at 7:00 p.m.

Cotton Office Now Offers A New Reporting Service

The USDA's Cotton Classing Office at Lubbock announced a 24 hour Cotton Reporting Service, starting Monday, Dec. 9. Interested persons may dial 806-763-7870 for the latest cotton market prices and classing report day or night.

A similar report has been available at the Fresno, Calif. Classing Office. Numerous calls are received daily at the Fresno and reports indicate the service is successful.

Paul R. Dickson, in charge of the Lubbock Office, invites

directors and the president. The president for 1975 is Mr. Carroll Chaloupka of Dalhart, Tex.

Food, Fibre Prospects

Cropland should be up 1.1 million acres in Texas in 1975, according to an economist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Sorghum, wheat and corn acreage should

persons interested in this service to inform him of their needs, as "we want this service to reflect the needs of the public".

Pesticide Publication Available

AUSTIN--Agriculture Commissioner John C. White has announced publication of the 1974 Sample Analysis of Economic Pesticides, a book to provide Texas pesticide buyers with information about products available in the state.

The 122-page book contains the results of laboratory tests on nearly 1,500 products from 154 companies. It notes products on which stop sale orders were issued.

Copies are available by writing Agriculture Commissioner John C. White, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin.

The Jaybirds Lose Games to Munday

The Jayton Jaybirds ran into trouble Tuesday night, as they took on the Munday Moguls. They lost a cliff hanger by the score of 58-54.

Bobby Kelley led the Jaybird attack, as he dumped 17 points through the hoop.

The Lady Jays also lost their side of the affair, 37-33. Pam Trammel was top scorer for the Lady Birds with 14.

Kent County 4H Club Council Makes Outstanding Awards

The Kent County 4H Council chose an outstanding man and woman 4-H leader for 1974. The people were chosen on their contribution to the 4-H program in the county.

The outstanding man leader was Beryle Murdoch. Beryle supported the stock show and has selected some of the lambs for feeders that 4-H members are now feeding.

Mrs. Donnie Carrier was selected as the outstanding woman 4-H leader for the year. Pat has helped with food project groups and local food shows. She has helped with

dress revues in Kent County and has helped judge dress revues in neighboring counties. Pat has given leadership with county rally days and represented Kent County at the District Adult Leader training at Vernon. She has served as chairman for the educational exhibit division at the Kent County fair and has helped with many 4-H concession stands at the fair and stock shows.

The 4-H Council presented each leader with a plaque as a token of their appreciation for a job well done.



THE KENT COUNTY 4H COUNCIL chose Mrs. Donnie Carrier as the outstanding 4H leader for the year of 1974.



BERYLE MURDOCH, Jr. has been selected by the 4H Council as the outstanding 4H Club leader for the year of 1974.

The women's outsiders basketball team practiced Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Mayer went to Hamlin Saturday.

School will be out for Christmas Thursday until Jan. 2.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

There was a Red Cross training school held at the Kent County Community Center, Monday and Tuesday of this week. There were 11 persons taking the course.

Gerald Fincher was in Jayton one day last week.

Eugene Lee was seeing the doctor in Rotan one day last week.

The First American Xmas Tree

Christmas traditions date back thousands of years . . . to the Druids and ancient Rome and beyond, but the first Christmas tree in Amer-

ica was brought into being comparatively recently . . . in 1847.
The place was Wooster, Ohio. A young German immigrant, August Ingard, a youth of 21, is said to have introduced the Christmas tree to America.
As Christmas drew near that year, it proved to young Ingard a season of somewhat dismal anticipation. He missed the fund of entertainment and observance which

marked the Day in his homeland. So he decided to have one like those in Bavaria.
Two other reasons, very personal ones, were his nephew and niece. He wanted to bring added joy to their Christmas, and make it one they would never forget.
Young Ingard went into the woods and chopped down a spruce tree. From the village tinsmith he obtained a twinkly tin star. The family made paper decorations, and thus the Christmas tree, as most of us know it, came into being.



Joy to The World

Let every heart prepare him room
And heav'n and nature sing!
As the glad carols ring out at
Christmas, we hope your heart is
filled with abiding joy.

**Helen and John
Henry Mayer**
and Paula and W. L.



The townsfolk gathered 'round to admire it. Before long, the word had been spread far and wide, about the beautiful tree in Wooster, Ohio. It became an American custom.

America honors August Ingard. His tomb stands on Madison Hill in Wooster. This year, as in previous years, a lighted Christmas tree will probably stand at its door, a tribute to the man who first brought to America the symbol of joy and peace and love that should be Christmas for us all, all over the world.

the lady who lived by a pepper tree

Frequently we hear people say how callous we all are, especially in America . . . how we are all "too wrapped up in ourselves, too busy with our own problems, to relate to Christmas".

Much of the time we deserve this comment. Probably because we think we have to build defenses against other, outside stimuli, to try to keep intact some remnant of our own personality which so far has escaped computerization.

But one November, not too long ago, the daily papers had occasion to record a little event that disputed this cliché, (if you will). Here is how the story went:

A lady of some 75 years or so who lives in a small town in Southern California suffered the loss of her home by fire. We shall call her Mrs. Sanchez.

All alone in the world, the disaster might have overwhelmed some lesser person.

But not Mrs. Sanchez.



The light that guided the shepherds may warm your heart and lead you to a better understanding of the true joys of life on Earth.

Jackson Garage
Jack and Vi Jackson



JINGLE BELLS
☆ A churchman, John Pierpont, composed the under-gay Christmas song, "Jingle Bells," which has been popular for over a century.

THE FAMILY LAWYER

Poker Face On The Bench?

How neutral does a judge have to be in conducting a trial? That was the issue in *The Case of the Smiling Judge*. A man had been found guilty of assault, and his attorney appealed to a higher court on the following ground: "Just as one of the defense witnesses was telling his story, the judge broke into a smile. The implication was obvious: he thought the witness was lying. Although the judge told the jury not to be influenced by his smile, the damage had already been done. The jury got the message and brought in a verdict of guilty."



However, the appellate court refused to set aside the verdict. The court said the judge's smile was just too minor an element, in an otherwise fair trial, to make the entire proceedings null and void.

Of course, a trial judge is supposed to be as neutral as possible. Ideally, he should keep a poker face at all times, since his facial expressions may well speak as loudly as words.

But the law also recognizes that judges, being only human, cannot be in total control of their emotions. Thus, another appellate court decided it was "most natural" for a judge to grin when a man named Ananias was sworn in as a witness.

On the other hand, a verdict may indeed be overturned on appeal if the trial judge made his feelings too convincingly clear.

In another case, involving a deadly weapons charge, the judge kept referring to the accused as a "graduate of Sing Sing." Again, the jury's guilty verdict was carried to a higher court on grounds of judicial misbehavior.

This time, the verdict was thrown out. Criticizing the trial judge for letting his feelings get out-of-hand, the appellate court said:

"The function of the judge is to preserve the rights of both the people and the accused, not to insure victory or defeat for either (side)."

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Japan under pressure to act on Israel.

December winds blew in from the sea and the threat of rain hovered darkly over the little homesite.
Then the neighbors pitched in, and on their own, without a by-your-leave from Mrs. Sanchez, they built a small new home for her with their own hands, and their own tools.
By Christmas Day, Mrs. Sanchez had much cause to be thankful. Her Christmas gift was there for all to enjoy the finest gift of all: the warmth of love in the neighbor's eyes.

U.S. expects energy to continue.
Pioneer 10 penetrates bits of Jupiter's moon.



It's Christmas, and time to greet good friends . . . time, too, to count our blessings. One of the greatest of these is the friendship of those whom we are privileged to serve.

TO ALL, OUR THANKS AND BEST WISHES
**Bill Williams
Service & Supply**
Bill, Betty, Rhonda
and Larry Williams

Sincere Good Wishes
We hope that you spend your holiday happily, in the company of those you hold dear. May you enjoy the peace, love that is Christmas!

Gus and Nina Fincher
David, Mark and Wes

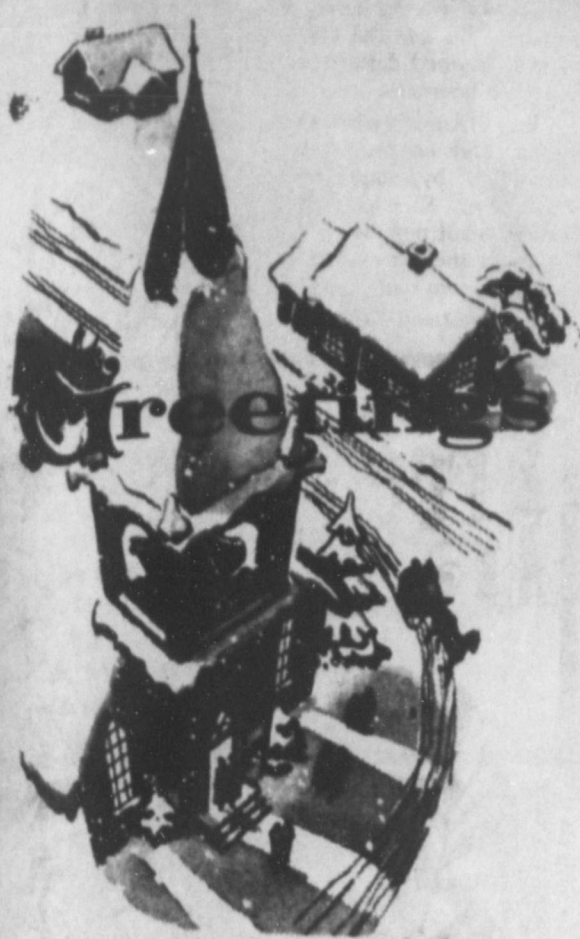
Greetings
May the peace and serenity of this holiday season dwell in the hearts of all. To our customers and friends, our greetings, good wishes and grateful thanks.

Champion Jewelry
Rotan, Texas

Holiday Cheer

Laughter, good cheer and kindness come from good friendships throughout the year. All this and much more is our Christmas wish to you and yours this happy holiday season.

First National Bank of Aspermont



We're glad to have the opportunity to wish each and everyone of our friends the happiest of holidays. May Christmas bring the realization of your hopes.

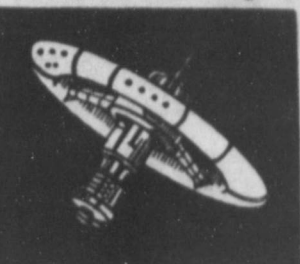
The Bill Parks Family

Man's attitudes toward religion today focus on the Laws of God rather than mere magic

At Christmastime there is so much emphasis on the secular, even commercial aspects of the Season, it is natural that skeptics of the entire religious concept take this occasion to deride many of the traditions such as the miracle of Conception, the Star in the East, and so on.

As the triumphs of modern-day science continue to dazzle the mind and imagination, its age-old "conflicts" with religion continue to be debated. Interestingly enough, in the latter part of the 20th century, when such spectacular achievements as man's voyages into space are becoming almost commonplace, the conflicts between religion and science seem less controversial... in fact, these "miracles" are being judged as events that ensue as results of the laws of God.

Quoting Cornell University's first president, Andrew Dickson White, "My conviction is that science, though it has evidently conquered Dogmatic Theology based on biblical texts and ancient modes of thought, will go hand in hand with Religion;



and that, although theological control will continue to diminish, Religion as seen in the recognition of a Power in the universe, not ourselves, which makes for righteousness, and in the love of God and of our neighbor, will steadily grow stronger and stronger."



Many great scientists have expressed deep religious feeling in connection with their scientific discoveries.

For example, concurrent with his discovery of the mathematical laws of planetary motion in the early 17th century, Johann Kepler said: "The heavenly motions are nothing but a continuous song for several voices, perceived by the intellect, not by the ear. It is no longer surprising (therefore) that man wanted to reproduce the continuity of cosmic time



Thou shalt know Him when He comes, Not by any din of drums, Nor by vantage of His airs, Nor by anything He wears, Neither by His crown Nor His gown. But His presence known shall be By the holy harmony Which His coming makes in thee.

Author Unknown



... by an artful symphony for several voices... to test the delight of the Divine Creator... by making music in the imitation of God".

Again, citing the 1948 edition of Sir James Jeans' "The Mysterious Universe", the renowned physicist-astronomer wrote that "the stream of knowledge is heading towards a non-mechanical reality. The universe begins to look more like a great thought than like a great machine. Mind no longer appears as an accidental intruder into the realm of matter.

Carol Singing Still A Popular Christmas Custom

Caroling is the custom in many countries throughout the world. And, there are about as many different customs connected with it as there are countries.

Bagpipe music accompanies the carolers in (no, not Scotland) Italy!

In England the carolers receive gifts for their efforts. "Gifts" of refreshments are often the case in America.

"Star-singers" is the name for groups of carolers in many nations. The term is taken from the pole they carry, which has a lighted star on top.

Richard Nixon, President: "We must all sacrifice a little so no one will endure hardship."

CURE FOR CANCER CHICAGO--Cancer researcher Thomas J. Dougherty reports the action of ordinary light striking certain nontoxic dyes could retard the growth of cancerous tumors and in some cases effect temporary remission of the disease.

HEARINGS POSTPONED The Senate Watergate committee said that its investigations of the milk fund and the Hughes-Rebozo money would be postponed until after January.

Yule Legends Span Many Years and Many Lands

Did you know that the first Christmas tree erected in a church in U.S., in 1851 shocked its Cleveland congregation. It was considered too heathenish!

★ America gave the world its most Beloved Christmas plant—the poinsettia. The plant is a native of tropical America.



★ Bayberry candles, which are said to foretell good luck for the coming year if they burn bright at Christmas, were first made by early settlers in America. They dipped bayberry branches in wax and burned them during the holidays.

★ The story is told that over a hundred years ago, a parish priest in Salzburg, Austria, returning late one night from administering last rites to a dying woman, was awed by the particular majesty of the still, sparkled-with-stars night; he went home.

Russell W. Peterson, the President's nominee to head the Council on Environmental Quality:

"The U.S. should lead a worldwide drive to reach zero population growth as quickly as possible."

wrote the lovely, haunting words of "Silent Night, Holy Night." With his organist, Franz Gruber, playing the great music on

his guitar, the Father, Joseph Mohr, first introduced the strains of this popular hymn to a small congregation in Austria.

GREETINGS OF THE SEASON

Here's an old-fashioned wish that's still right in style...may your holidays be the merriest!

Pioneer Abstract & Title Co.
Euel and Erma Lee Harrison

Greetings

To all our good friends, best wishes for a very merry Christmas season!

Gordon and Thelma Hamilton

Our very best holiday wishes to you and your family in this gay and festive season! May the spirit of Christmas shine through the hours, lighting up your days!

The Carrikers
Donnie, Pat and Roni

MERRY CHRISTMAS

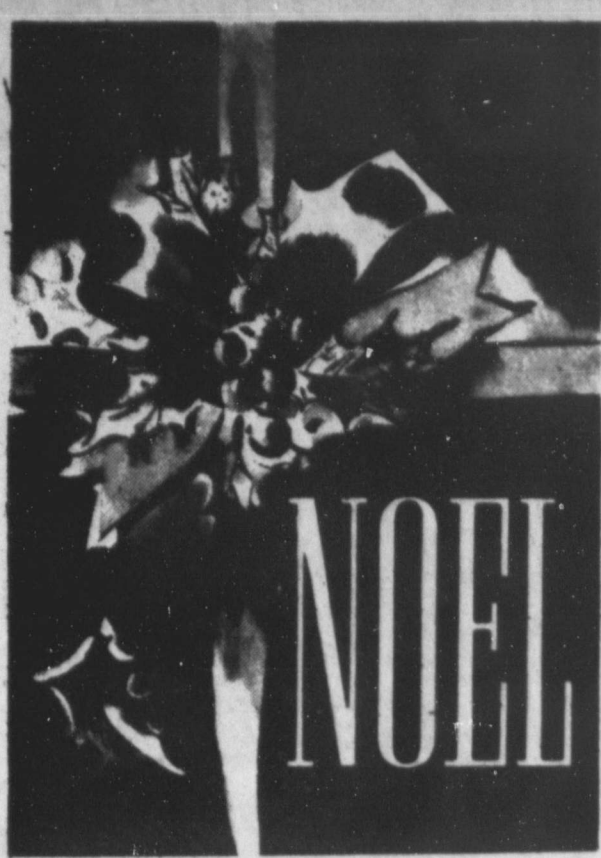
Time to wish all of our good friends and loyal customers a merry holiday season full of peace and happiness. We extend our heartfelt thanks to you and your families for your loyal patronage during the year.

Derrell's Mobil Sta.

Merry Christmas

One of the joys of the holiday season is remembering wonderful talks like you our customers. It's always a pleasure to pause and wish you happiness and prosperity. Sincere holiday greetings from those who serve you at

Cap Rock Telephone Co. Spur, Texas



May the peace of Christmas be in all hearts this the most joyous of seasons. Happy holidays to you.

Ruby York

'Christmas Only for Children'? Let's Change That

Grown-up cynics are frequently heard to say, "Christmas is only for children". This is a declaration of having abandoned any of the precepts of Christmas as far as they, themselves, are concerned. And perhaps in an attempt to set things right again, these same grown-ups "go all out" for the children in their family circles, and their acquaintance.

It's fine to "go all out" for children, at any time, as long as it is in proportion to the event, and if the children's well-being is taken into account. But sacrificial or extravagant giving can be harmful to the children, give them a false sense of values, and of course cause the giver hardship, for no good purpose.

Let us take an adult look at Christmas. Let us think of the strong, virile Christ when we think of Christmas, not merely the helpless Babe. Let us think of this mature man-God, with his adult convictions, his adult compassion, his adult physical strength, and honor these qualities.

Let us put this true evaluation of Christ into Christmas. As adults, it is we who must do this. And in doing this, we take not a whit away from the children's pleasure. But we add significance, immeasurably, to our own.

Christmas Creche Has Tradition

We do not know when the first creche was set up as a tableau to illustrate the nativity, but church records indicate that St. Francis of Assisi received special permission from the Pope to reconstruct the scene in the Bethlehem stable.

Today the crib, surrounded by figurines of the Holy Family, the Three Wise Men, shepherds, angels and farm animals, is to southern Europe and Catholic countries what the brightly decorated Christmas tree is to America.

In the Southern Hemisphere Christmas is celebrated in mid-summer heat. They will have the traditional turkey dinner. Families often go to the seashore or the hills for a picnic.

DDT POWER & USDA

A bill giving the Agriculture Department new power over the use of DDT in the battle against forest and farm insects has been approved by the House Agriculture Committee. Currently, DDT is generally banned.

Gerald Ford, Vice President: "At this moment, I see only Americans who love their country..."

Mike Mansfield, Senate Democratic Leader, on Judge Jaworski: "I think he's been doing a first rate job."

Jim Hightower, coordinator of the Food Action Campaign: "Monopolistic trends in the food industry are leading to a shortage of crisis proportions."

Moshe Dayan, Israeli Defense Minister: "We will have to compromise. We don't have to keep

all the territory gained in the 1967 six-day war."

Abdullah Zaki al-Yamani, Arabia's Minister of Petroleum: "I think the goal which we are looking for, which is peace in the area, is now more feasible than at any time in the past."

William E. Simon, Federal Energy Administration head:

"I faithfully promise that we will promptly take action against all those who are exploiting the current fuel shortages."



As we rejoice in the message of Christmas, our prayer is that your life may be blessed with love.

Sarah Byrd



A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

What is Santa carrying in his bag? All our best wishes for a happy holiday season, plus our sincere thanks for your confidence in us!

Judge Norman Hahn and Family



Just want to say we hope you have the merriest of Christmases. The very best from

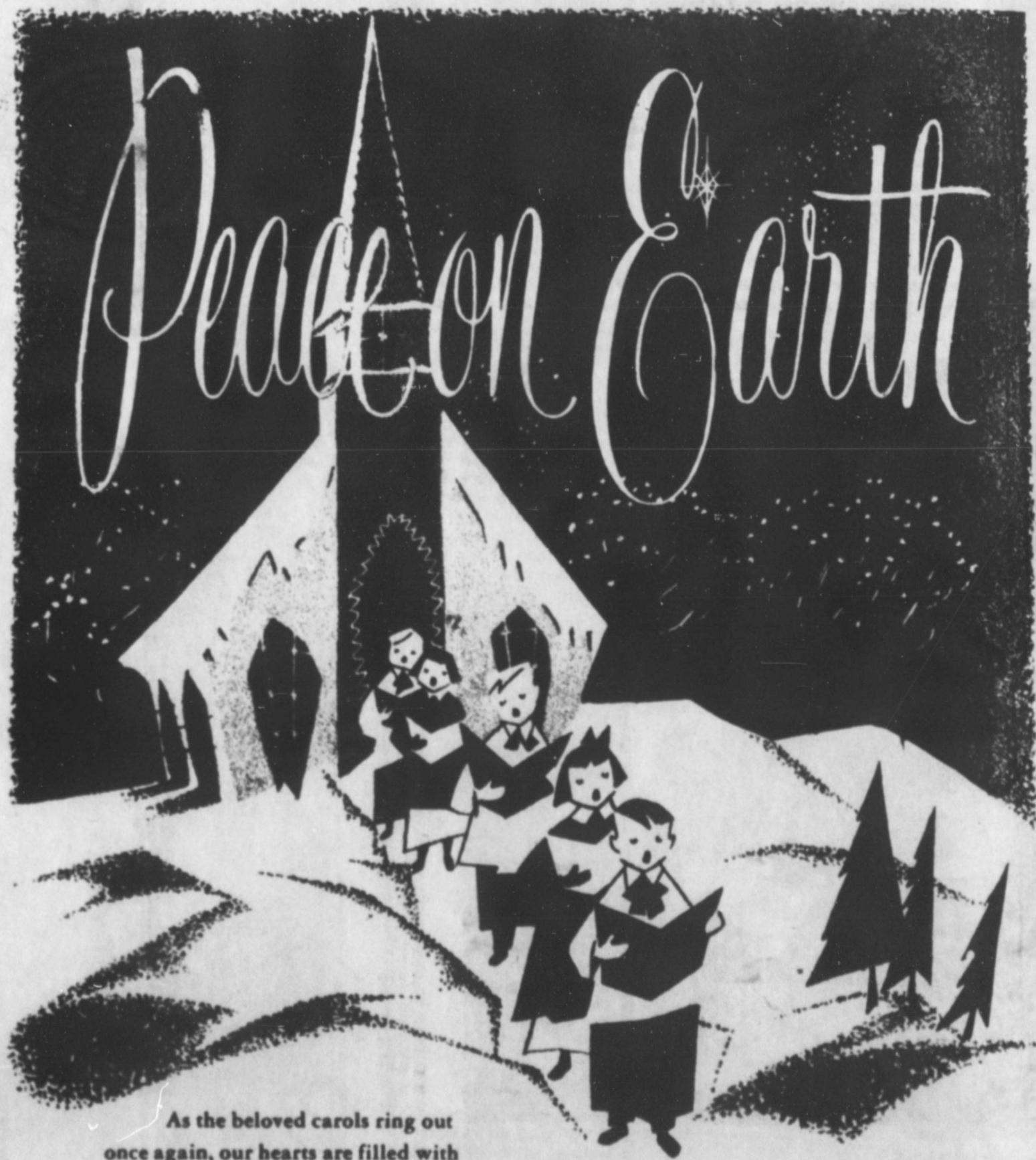
Howard Freemyer and Family



Holiday Cheer

Here's hoping your Christmas "sparkles" with lots of good things...health, happiness, and plenty of gifts from Santa! It's been a pleasure serving you in the past and we're looking forward to serving you again in the future. Sincere holiday greetings from the entire staff at

H & M Dept. Store
Floyd Hall & Barney Murdoch



As the beloved carols ring out once again, our hearts are filled with hope that a lasting peace on earth will become a reality—a peace that will be echoed in every heart, everywhere. At this Christmas season, may we take the opportunity to wish our many good friends the best of everything. A joyous Noel!

Kent County Lumber and Supply The Thos. Fowler Agency
Bob, Patricia, Bobette and Brigette Hamilton



May the happiness of the holidays remain with you long after the Season has come and gone

Farmers Cooperative Society No. 1 Gin

Season's Greetings

Times may have changed but one thing is still the same — sending holiday greetings to friends old and new. It's a pleasure to wish you happy holidays.

Barney Murdoch

CHRISTMAS: MESSAGE OF HOPE FOR WORLD'S WOES

In a world torn with violence at almost every level, through formally or informally declared war, in rioting, anarchy, in cruel discrimination, it is difficult for thinking people to truly experience Christmas.

Yet, through the very meaning of Christ's coming, every man, of every persuasion . . . whether "Christian" or not, can take Christmas to his heart and profit by it.

For Christ personified brotherhood, abiding love, tolerance; if Christians have gotten away somewhat through the "outward and visible signs," the ceremonials and the trappings — perhaps this is the year to come home to Christ.

Whatever the rest of the world is doing, let each of us celebrate Christ's birth in our individual, personal ways.

Let us forget self, let us truly open our hearts, to genuinely offer friendship and brotherly love.



fortunate person, someone who may have much of this world's goods, but be impoverished otherwise.

This is the Christmas to relinquish those petty grievances, and perhaps the important ones, as well.

This is the Christmas to really show those you love that you do love them, in important, little ways . . . and in large ways, too. It is so human to take care of the vital, "large" ways, and overlook the small, also vital ways! This is the year to do something about that.

ZERO POPULATION

President Nixon's nominee, Robert W. Peterson, to head the Council on Environmental Quality said the United States should lead a worldwide drive to reach zero population growth as quickly as possible.

Let us "do" for others, not just through organized charities, or group efforts. Discover the thrill of assisting some less for-



MERRY CHRISTMAS

To our host of good friends, we send holiday wishes, with appreciation for your loyalty and good will.

Kent County Nursing Home

Pike, Lillian and Kim Nichols



BRINGING BEST WISHES

and good will for your Merry Christmas.

Goodall Ford Sales

Greetings



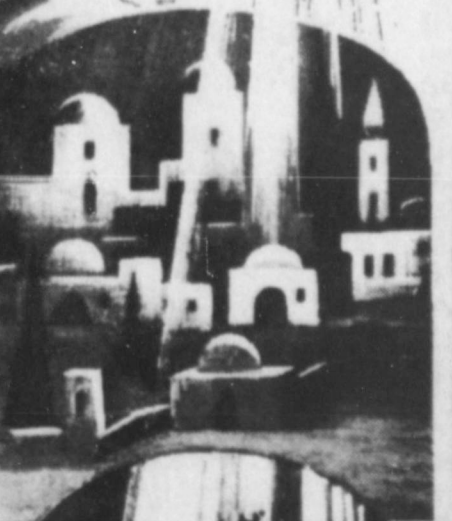
WHAT BETTER TIME TO WISH ALL OUR GOOD FRIENDS AND PATRONS THE HAPPIEST OF HOLIDAYS AND THE BEST OF EVERYTHING! A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Dickens County Electric Cooperative

Sour, Texas



The Christmas Story



In a lowly manger, hewn from the rocky hillside of Bethlehem, a Child was born . . . and herald angels sang. To the manger came humble shepherds, in wonder and rejoicing. Three Wise Men journeyed from the East, bearing precious gifts. And over all shone the miraculous light of a Star. In the words of the Christmas story, that light lives and shines across the ages, bringing hope and promise to all mankind. May the spiritual joys of the season bless you and yours, abundantly on this Christmas Day and forevermore.

The Spot Grocery

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



May your holiday be bright with happiness...warm with love and friendship...
and festive with the traditional joys of the season. To our many friends... a special "Thank you"
for the privilege of serving you. We pledge our best efforts to serve you better.

*From Our Officers
and Employees*

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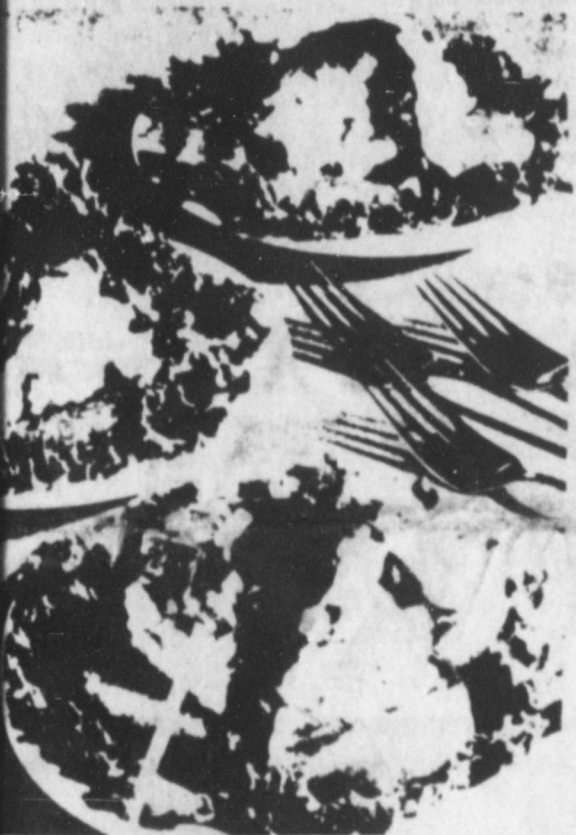
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Thursday, Dec. 19, 1974

Favorite Recipes of Opal Richards

Festive Foods FOR THE HOLIDAYS



Cranberries In The Sun

1 ounce can mandarin orange sections
1/2 cup whipping cream
1/2 cup cooked rice
1/2 cup shredded orange
1/2 cup cranberry sauce
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup cornstarch
1/2 cup lemon juice
1/2 cup orange, peeled and sliced 1/4 inch thick
1/2 cup mandarin oranges, drained
1/2 cup 1 tablespoon liquid.

Whip cream; fold in rice, orange peel, and mandarin oranges. Chill. In small saucepan, break up cranberry sauce; stir in sugar, cornstarch, lemon juice, and reserved mandarin orange syrup. Cook and stir till mixture is thickened and bubbly. Cool to room temperature. Spoon mounds of rice mixture on lettuce leaves.

Halve orange slices and arrange around mounds. Spoon cranberry sauce atop. Makes 4 servings.

Cranberry-Apple Relish

1/2 cup fresh cranberries rinsed and drained
1/2 cup red apple, corred and cut in wedges
1/2 cup water
1/2 cup lemon, seeds removed
1/2 cup orange, peeled and sliced
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup nutmeg

1/2 teaspoon mace
Grind cranberries, apples and lemon together in electric blender or grinder. Add water as needed. Stir in sugar, nutmeg and mace. Chill until ready to serve. Makes about 2 cups.

Cranberry Sauce

1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup water
1/2 cup ground (4 cups) fresh cranberries
1/2 cup combine sugar and water in saucepan; stir to dissolve

sugar. Heat to boiling; boil 5 minutes. Add cranberries; cook till skins pop, about 5 minutes. Remove from heat. Serve warm or chilled. Makes 4 cups.

Help With Problems

Help children develop the ability to come to grips with problems -- to consider pros and cons of alternative solutions and make decisions within the limits of ability -- instead of relying on all decisions for them. Dr. Jennie Kitching, life education specialist at the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

About The Hem Lines

It's not necessary to change hem length every time fashion writers predict a change. An important rule to remember is that what looks best on the body is the proper length, says Marlene Odle, clothing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Americans get up to 50 percent of their Vitamin B intake from meat, the Texas Department of Agriculture reports.

Christmas Salad

1 lb. ground cranberries
1 cup sugar
1 lb. marshmallows cut small
1 small can crushed pineapple
1/2 cup chopped pecans
Mix all and let stand overnight. Next day mix with 1/2 pint whipped cream. Let stand two hours.

Southern Pecan Pie

1/2 c. sugar
1 c. dark Karo syrup
3 whole eggs
4 tbsp. butter
1 tsp. vanilla
1 c. pecans
Combine sugar and syrup in saucepan; cook to 228°, stirring constantly. Beat eggs; add syrup mixture. Add remaining ingredients. Pour into 9-inch unbaked pie shell. Bake at 450° for 10 minutes, then at 300° for 35 minutes.

Wedding Plans Told



Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Travis are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Paula, to Mr. Charles Clifton Kimmel III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Kimmel, Girard. Wedding vows will be pledged Dec. 21, at 3 p.m. in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Day. Reception will follow.

Paula Mayer and Allen Kelly went to Rotan and took their college test.

Mrs. Oleta Moore and Mrs. Amos Fincher spent the weekend in Post visiting their daughters.

Mike Owens and Gus Fincher were in Lubbock Thursday.



Cranberry - Orange Bubble Loaf

2 cups packaged biscuit mix
1/2 cup orange juice
1/2 cup 8-ounce can (1/2 cup) jellied cranberry sauce
4 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
1/2 cup packed brown sugar
1 teaspoon shredded orange peel
1/2 cup sifted powdered sugar
2 teaspoons milk
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
Combine biscuit mix and juice; mix well. Divide into 16

portions. Cut cranberry sauce into 16 pieces. Shape each portion of dough into a ball around a piece of sauce. Roll balls in butter. Combine brown sugar and peel. Roll dough in brown sugar mixture. Place in greased 8 1/2 x 4 1/2 x 2 1/2 -inch loaf pan. Bake in 350° oven for 30 minutes. Let stand 5 minutes, then turn out. Combine powdered sugar, milk, and vanilla; frost bread while warm.

Kent County H. D. Council Holds Combined Programs

The members of the Kent County Home Demonstration Clubs combined three programs, the X-mas tour, result demonstrations for the year's program, and a council meeting, Dec. 11. The members met at the Community Center in Girard, at 9 a.m. going from there to the home of Lois Simpson and viewed the medicine cabinet, which she had purchased, a larger cabinet, and revised the medical arrangements, placing all first aid instructions within the cabinet. After serving coffee, the members went to the Raymond Hooper home, where Mrs. Hooper displayed a beautiful bedspread made of a special pattern, from knit material, and other X-mas decorations.

Next stop was with Mrs. Hugh Turner, where she had a queen size bed she had prepared as a bedroom remodel result demonstration. Mrs. Turner had her house decorated for the X-mas holidays.

Mrs. W.W. Hodges home was the next stop, where she had built a service porch as a family living result demonstration.

The members, also went to the Jake Swaringen home, and viewed the new service room that was built for their home.

The next home was Mr. and Mrs. Doug Smith. The home was decorated throughout, for the holiday. Here, Mrs. Smith served a holiday punch, dips and candies. The club appreciated being asked to visit the Smith home.

The members, then went to the Mrs. Jake Fuller home, in Jayton, where Mrs. Fuller had prepared a nice lunch. Mrs. Fuller also had yule-tide decorations.

After the luncheon, the

council meeting was called to order by the council chairman, Mrs. Ernest Thomas. Mrs. Bill Perkins, 4-H chr. gave a report of the gold stars and other 4-H activities. She stated the 4-Hers will sell magazine subscriptions. The purpose of this sale is for the 4-H Camp at Brownwood. The magazine sale is state wide. If you would like to have a part in helping this project, contact Mrs. Bobby Stanaland and Mark Geeslin.

Parliamentary procedure study was the high point of the council meeting. Reports of the Girard and Jayton Clubs were given by Mrs. Turner and Perkins.

Several X-mas activities are planned for the holidays. There will be a community X-mas tree, at the Girard Community Center, Dec. 21, and a youth program will be at Jayton.

Five members and four visitors answered roll for council. The next council meeting will be Jan. 8, 1975.

After the council adjourned the members visited the Benny Carriker home, where Mrs. Carriker had made pant suits, and refurnished a bedroom. Also many X-mas decorations were throughout the beautiful home. Mrs. Carriker has invited the club to visit her home each year of our tour.

The final stop was at the Bobby Stanaland home. Mrs. Stanaland has completely finished a buffet as a result demonstration. She also gave us a brief lesson on using a micro-wave oven and the bread-dough hobby she had finished. Here a merry X-mas greeting was extended to all. You are welcome to be a member of this Texas Home Demonstration work.

Happy New Year greetings.



MRS. LAVERNA HARRISON is shown here giving a demonstration on arranging of flowers to the members of the Clover 4H Club. In the picture, from the left, are Mrs. Harrison, Rosa Trevino, Lisa Benevidas and Dana Cox.



4H HOME IMPROVEMENT PROJECT tour of the Rotan Veterinary Clinic, from the left, Dana Cox, Sally Sumner, Lisa Benevidas, Rosa Trevino, Jackie Harrison, Beth Owen, Vanessa Fowler, Melissa Cheyne, Sylvia Trevino, Jan Harrison, and Judy Fowler.



A HOME IMPROVEMENT PROJECT TOUR OF THE ROTAN VETERINARY CLINIC. From the left, Dana Cox, Sally Summers, Lisa Benevidas, Rosa Trevino, Jackie Harrison, Beth Owen, Vanessa Fowler, Melissa Cheyne, Sylvia Trevino, Jan Harrison and Judy Fowler.

Good Supply Of Turkeys For Your Christmas Table

College Station -- Turkeys are in abundant supply this year and can be the mainstay of holiday meals, Marilyn Haggard, foods and nutrition specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, reported this week.

"Most turkeys are marketed as frozen whole birds, but chilled turkeys are sometimes available too. Also halves, quarters, parts and steaks are on the market."

"Boneless turkey roasts and boneless turkey rolls are popular conveniences. They're sold in all white meat, all dark meat, or a combination of both," she said.

Poultry should be kept frozen until time to thaw or cook. Turkeys can be thawed in the refrigerator in the original wrapping, or lightly covered with waxed paper if unwrapped.

Time required to defrost a turkey in the refrigerator follows: 4-12 lbs: 1-2 days; 12-20 lbs: 2-3 days; 20-24 lbs: 3-4 days.

Roasting is one of the most popular methods of preparing turkeys. At 325 degrees F. cooking times are: 8-12 lbs: 3 1/2-4 1/2 hrs.; 12-16 lbs: 4 1/2-5 1/2 hrs.; 16-20 lbs: 5 1/2-6 1/2 hrs.; and 20-24 lbs: 6 1/2-7 hrs.

Keep Your Cash Down

When shopping, avoid carrying around a lot of cash or flashing money. Keep a close watch on your wallet or purse, advised Mrs. Lillian Chenoweth, family resource management specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Jack East is home from the hospital and doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Fincher and Mrs. Oleta Moore attended the band concert at Post, Sunday afternoon. Their granddaughters played in the concert.

The Clover Club Members Take Tour Of The Vet Clinic

On Saturday, Dec. 14, members of the Clover Girl 4-H Club who are enrolled in the Home Improvement Project visited the veterinary clinic at Rotan to learn how to care for pets. Dr. Brandenberger told them about caring for puppies, cats, and full grown dogs and then he gave them a tour of the clinic.

The girls also visited the Village Flower Shop. Mrs. White showed them different types of tableware and told them how they could be used in serving a meal. Those who attended the tour were: Dana Cox, Vanessa Fowler, Sylvia Trevino, Beth Owen, Lisa Benevidas, Sally Sumner, Melissa Cheyne, Jackie Harrison, Rosa Trevino, Judy Fowler, Jan Harrison, and Bert Stanaland.

The old house behind the post office was burned Thursday night. Cause of the fire is not known at this time.

Mrs. McMahon, mother of Mrs. Sallie McAteer and Mrs. Clyde Long is reported to be very ill in the Stamford hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Sandell visited with his sister, Mrs. Hartense North Thursday of last week.

The man who is willing to live according to his principles should not object when others do the same.

If you're conscientious and unselfish in what you say or do, you need not worry about what people think.

Manure Fertilizer Gets Good Results Ag Engineer States

College Station—Manure used as fertilizer will produce just as much sorghum, corn silage and wheat as commercial fertilizer and is much cheaper, contends Dr. John M. Sweeten, agricultural engineer with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Comparable yields were produced in the Texas High Plains with 10 tons of manure per acre and recommended fertilizer applications.

"It costs about \$40 to fertilize one acre of land with commercial fertilizer while the cost of fertilizing the same amount of land with feedlot manure is about \$23 where the haul distance is 10 miles. Assuming the same yields from the two acres, fertilizing with feedlot manure saves about \$17 per acre," says the Texas A&M University System specialist.

This indicates a break-even haul distance for manure of about 40 miles.

Because of the shortage of commercial fertilizer and the resulting high prices, the demand for feedlot manure as fertilizer has reached an all-time high, explains Sweeten. "Today Texas feedlots are operating at less than 60 per cent capacity and the demand for manure from crop farmers is exceeding the supply."

Charges for feedlot manure delivered to the field varies among feedlots, but a typical charge is about \$2.25 per ton for a 10-mile haul. Of course, the charge varies with the distance hauled.



May your happiness be so great that you treasure forever the many wondrous memories of this Christmas and all its joys.

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A Joyous Christmas

To all, a wish for a Christmas richly blessed with peace and joy. And to our patrons, our heartfelt thanks for the privilege of serving you.

The Geeslin Family

Texas Farm Labor Drops By 17,000

AUSTIN—The Texas farm labor force numbered 273,000 in late October, down 17,000 from a year ago, Agriculture Commissioner John C. White announced recently.

Family workers totaled 177,000, while hired workers numbered 96,000.

Nationally farm labor was down three percent, totaling 4,651,000 workers.

White said Texas farm workers, including farm operators, family members working 15 hours or more a week without receiving cash wages, all family members and hired help, averaged 35.1 hours a week.

Of these, farm operators worked the longest hours, averaging 40.7 hours.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Time to wish all of our good friends and loyal customers a merry holiday season full of peace and happiness. We extend our heartfelt thanks to you and your families for your loyal patronage during the year.

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We're glad to have the opportunity to wish each and everyone of our friends the happiest of holidays. May Christmas bring the realization of your hopes.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Yuletide season brings thoughts of Christmases gone by...and thoughts of friends like you. We sincerely hope that you enjoy the happiest of holidays!

Gayton Flower and Gift Shop
Odell, Laverna and John

Cherry Christmas

We know we're on the right track when we say, we hope Santa brings you the nicest gifts on Christmas day! Sincere holiday greetings from the folks at

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Christmas Joy

It's that time of the year again! May your home be filled with old-fashioned holiday cheer at Christmastime...and your hearts filled with the joy of greeting friends and being with loved ones. Best wishes from the folks at

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Frank McKenzie of Califor-
 nis in Jayton visiting with
 and Mrs. John Cheyne.
 has been 50 years since I
 around here," he stated,
 and would enjoy seeing any
 the youngsters left that
 here then."

Visiting Mrs. Lou Baum in
 Abilene Saturday were: Mrs.
 Jimmie Brewer, Mrs. Velma
 Cave, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie
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Merry Christmas



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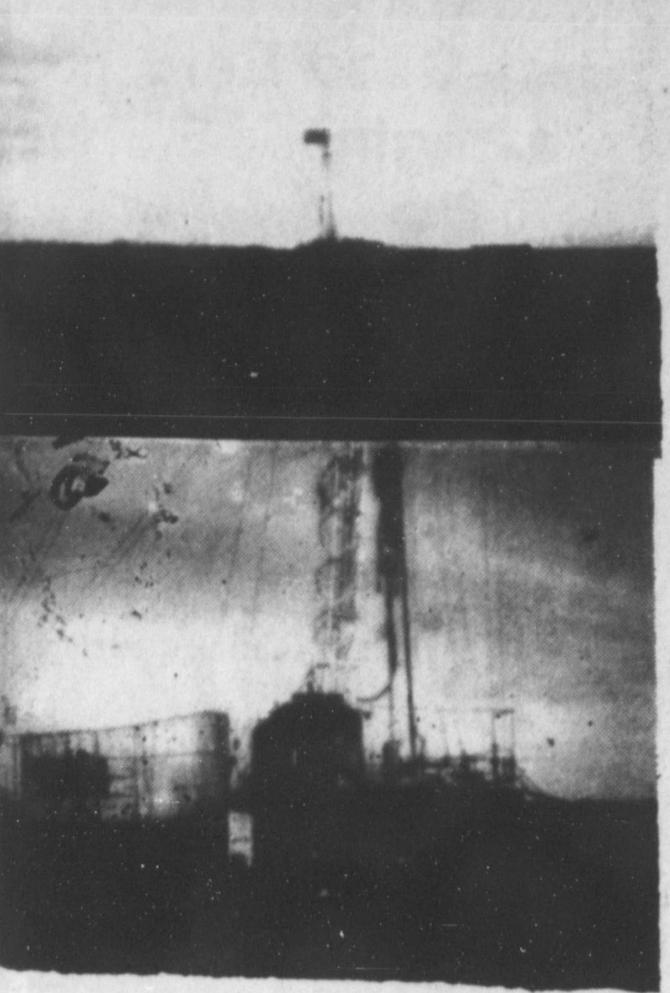


"GREAT LITTLE BREAKFAST--
 REMEMBER TO CALL ME FOR LUNCH."



GIFT-WRAPPED CALF--Farm Bureau President Carrol G.
 Chaloupka, left, and Agriculture Commissioner John C.
 White were not suggesting anyone buy a live calf for
 Christmas when they attended the Texas Department of
 Agriculture's Holiday Gift Certificate kick-off in Austin
 recently. However, the calf, enclosed in a beribboned box
 suspended from a 20-foot tree, alerted passersby to the gift
 certificates for meat, poultry and dairy products available in
 major chains throughout Texas. The promotion is being held
 to help the state's agricultural producers caught in the
 cost-price squeeze.

Publicity is a dangerous Few people complain about
 habit; some people make fools being over-rewarded by life's
 of themselves over a little bit fortunes.
 of it.



HERE ARE TWO PICTURES OF THE NEW DRILLING RIG
 ON THE Floyd D. Hall place near town. It was set up Monday
 afternoon.
 It will test the Noodle Creek formation, and is scheduled to
 go from 4,100 to 4,200 feet. [Photos by Helen Mayer.]

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FEEDLOT ODOR CONTROL--
 Feedlots will eventually have
 to control odors, but first some
 means must be found to
 measure these odors, contends
 a agricultural engineer in
 waste management with the
 Texas Agricultural Extension
 Service. A reliable method of
 odor measurement would
 enable air pollution control
 agencies to establish odor
 criteria. Through odor mea-
 surement, the actual need for
 an odor control program could
 be determined

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Merry Christmas

Teen Scene
Jayton Cafe



Christmas Greetings

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Telephone Blitz

Irma was only mildly distressed when the first telephone call came from a collection agency, asking her to pay a disputed bill. But her dismay mounted as the calls kept coming in, day and night, at home and at work.

Finally, after receiving more than 100 calls in three weeks, she filed suit against the collection agency for invasion of her privacy. In court, the agency argued: "She could have turned us off very easily. All she had to do was pay up."





Christmas Greetings

Our sincere thanks and heartfelt good wishes to all


Farmers Gin - Spur

Greetings

The best wishes of this Yuletide season to you and all those you hold near and dear.



Village Flower & Gift Shop Rotan, Texas



Greetings to all

Here's a very special delivery of warm wishes for a merry Christmas.

Velma Cave and Jimmy Brewer

But the court said that even in the collection of a lawful debt, some methods are unlawful—including the use of the telephone as a psychological battering ram.

Other collection methods that courts have held to be an invasion of privacy include humiliating the debtor in the presence of his fellow employees and bringing the debt embarrassingly to the attention of his neighbors.

But privacy, like most rights, has limits. The law recognizes that a creditor, after all, is entitled to have his money—and to apply a reasonable amount of pressure to that end.

In another case, a debtor waxed wroth when he received the following telegram from a bill collector:

"Must have payment immediately or legal action."

Again, the debtor sued for damages on grounds of an invasion of his privacy. But this time, the court ruled that the collector had not overstepped the line.

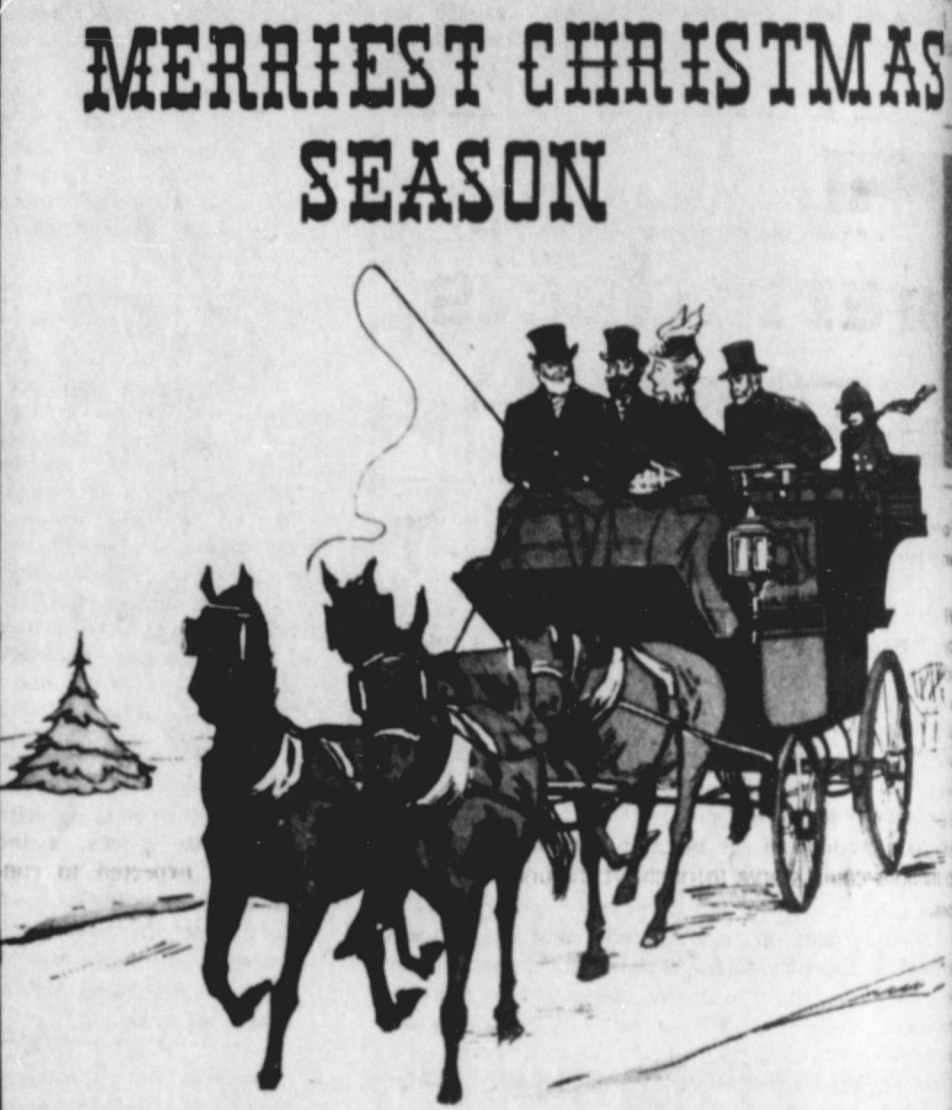
"The protection afforded by the right of privacy," said the court, "must be restricted to 'ordinary sensibilities' and not to supersensitiveness."

"There are some shocks, inconveniences, and annoyances which members of society in the nature of things must absorb."

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MERRIEST CHRISTMAS SEASON



Howard and Bonnie Goswick



Greetings

Santa's coming along spreading lots of holiday cheer. And, he's delivering special thanks to our nice friends.

Hagar Auto Repair
Troy, Judy and Dwain



Greetings TO ALL OUR FRIENDS!

It's always a pleasure to wish you the best of holiday seasons!


Mr. and Mrs. Bill Harrison

MEAT IMPORT FIGURES EXPLAINED

U.S. meat imports are reported as three different sets of statistics, explains a livestock marketing specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Imports of meat into the U.S. are recorded on a product weight basis, but these figures must be converted to carcass weight to compare with domestically produced beef. Meat subject to the Meat Import Law presents another set of figures. This includes all fresh, chilled and frozen beef, veal, mutton and goat meat and all products rejected but not canned and preserved. According to Meat Import Law figures, imports for 1974 were down 21 per cent from 1973.

"We are encouraging everyone to put some of their Christmas money into Texas agricultural products," White said. "They'll please people on their shopping list and help the farmers and ranchers who supply Texas with its daily food needs."

Merry Christmas



This is the happy season, when voices join together in laughter and song. It's the time when we count our blessings and share our good fortunes with friends and strangers alike. In the true Christmas tradition, we'd like to extend to you and yours, our best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

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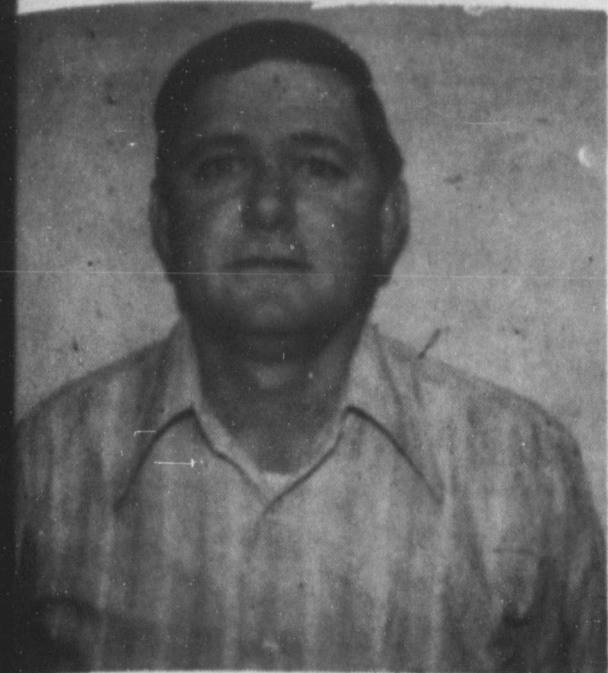
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William Reeder Is Soil Conservation Service Technician



William Reeder has been assigned to the Jayton Field office of the Soil Conservation Service as District Conservationist. Reeder replaced Dale Butler, who accepted a similar position at Fort Stockton, Tex. Reeder transfers to Jayton from Memphis, Tex. Reeder has been located at Graham, Jacksboro, and San Marcos, starting with the Soil Conservation Service in 1965. Reeder holds a B.S. degree from Southwest Texas State University in Range Management. Reeder, his wife Sharon, and daughter Christie, are looking forward to becoming a part of the Jayton community.

Buffet Meals Popular

COLLEGE STATION--Buffet meals are always a popular form of holiday entertaining, but since the food may stay unrefrigerated longer than usual, some precautions are necessary, one foods and nutrition specialist reminded this week.

She's Marilyn Haggard, with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University system.

"If cold cuts are part of the holiday party fare, using several trays of food instead of only one keeps them from standing at room temperature too long.

"Bring out a fresh tray frequently to replace those partly used. The meats stay cold and bacteria do not have a chance to grow," she said.

"The serving dish for shrimp salad -- another perishable item -- could be packed in cracked ice. Or use smaller serving dishes and refill often from the refrigerator," she suggested.

Other party buffet favorites such as deviled eggs, cheese and sour cream dips must all be kept cold also.

She pointed out that egg-nog, traditional during the holidays, makes an ideal breeding place for bacteria unless it is kept well-chilled and the supply replaced often.

LIVESTOCK FEEDING REMAINS UNDER PRESSURE

Feed supplies and prices will remain the critical concerns of the livestock industry in the coming months, says a livestock marketing specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Reduced grain and soybean production has resulted in rising feed prices and cutbacks in livestock feeding. Hog prices are expected to decrease this fall but should increase next year. Fed cattle prices should increase during the first half of 1975 along with feeder cattle prices. Lamb prices are expected to continue under pressure.

FLAX ACREAGE UP

Flax acreage is increasing in Texas due to the improving price situation. If the present price of about \$8 per bushel holds, flax acreage may replace cotton in a 10 to 12 county area around Corpus Christi. This would mean a crop of more than 200,000 acres compared with about 35,000 acres last season. Plantings this season may reach about 75,000 acres and production should total about 900,000 bushels. Flax is hardy and aggressive and requires little special attention or special equipment. It works in well with a rotation program of cotton and sorghum.

Gas Furnace Energy Tips

If you have a gas furnace -- and 33 million American homes do -- you can save energy and control costs: (1) In winter, at least at night, turn thermostat down to 68 degrees. (A savings of 15% of the average heating costs can be achieved for 24 hour turn down and 9% for 8 hour night time set back). (2) In the summer, if you have an air conditioner, turn thermostat up 78 degrees. (A savings of 15% of the average cooling costs can be achieved). (3) Don't block air vents. (4) For heating -- draw drapes at night, open on sunny days. Reverse the process for cooling. (5) Caulk, use weather stripping, check for adequate ceiling insulation (six inches in most areas) and consider installing storm windows and doors. (Individually these to 17% of your heating and cooling costs depending on where you live and the condition of your home). (6) Insulate ducts in spaces and rooms which do not require heating or cooling. (7) Have an annual furnace tune-up. (8) Clean or replace furnace air filters regularly. (9) Close-off unused rooms and shut off registers or radiators.

Lady Baltimore -- A Walnut Treat



The Lady Baltimore Cake has been a dessert showpiece for years. Three tender white cake layers are put together with a filling of raisins, dates and crunchy California walnuts. Perfect for parties, today's contemporary cake version is made with speedy cake and frosting mixes that still give you as elegant a cake as if you'd started from scratch. Developed in the Diamond Walnut Kitchen, this Speedy Lady Baltimore Cake variation is easy to assemble when you use convenient mixes plus California walnuts that come already shelled and nutcracker fresh in clear bags or vacuum cans. If you prefer to crack your own, you'll find plenty of walnuts in-the-shell in cellophane bags.

Speedy Lady Baltimore Cake

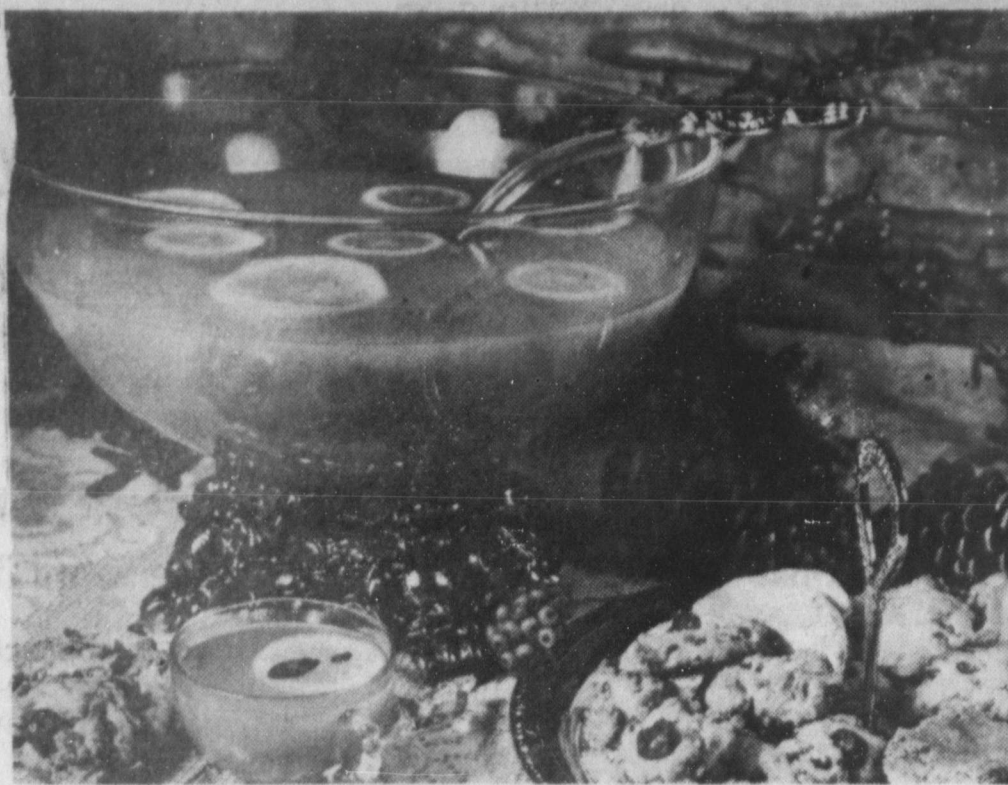
1 package (18 1/2-ounce) white cake mix 1 teaspoon vanilla

Prepare cake mix as package directs adding vanilla. Pour batter into 3 greased and floured 8-inch layer cake pans. Bake at 350 degrees F. for 20 minutes. Cool layers on wire racks. Put together with Speedy Lady Baltimore Frosting and filling.

Speedy Lady Baltimore Frosting

2 packages (7.2-ounce) fluffy white frosting mix 1/2 cup chopped dates
1/2 teaspoon vanilla orange juice 2 tablespoons
1/4 teaspoon lemon extract 1/2 cup finely chopped Diamond Walnuts
1/2 cup chopped raisins

Mix frosting mix as package directs adding vanilla and lemon extract. To 1/2 of the icing, add raisins and dates that have been soaked in orange juice. Stir in walnuts. Use as filling between the cake layers. Use remainder of the plain frosting with-out fruits and walnuts to frost sides and top of cake. Makes one three-layer cake.



LET'S HAVE A PARTY--Holiday time is party time and Hot Buttered Orange Punch will get the evening off to a perfect start. Serve it with an assortment of cookies.

HOT BUTTERED ORANGE PUNCH

1 1/2 c. sugar 1 quart orange juice, strained
2 c. water 1/2 c. fresh lemon juice, strained
10 whole cloves 2 c. apple cider
1 Tbsp. cinnamon 1/2 c. butter
3 Tbsp. cut up crystallized ginger Orange and lemon slices

In large saucepan combine sugar, water and spices. Cook over medium-low heat about 10 minutes. Strain. Add juices and cider. Simmer gently. Add butter and stir until dissolved. Pour into punch bowl. Float orange and lemon slices on top. Yield: 16 servings.



ADDING UP--Cozy, all-cotton corduroy from Cone Mills gives Doodlebug's two-piece suit fashion's favorite faded look. Comfort-scoring jacket features gathered yoke and mini-pocket; button-on skirt has droid waist.

CHECK-IN FASHION--Junior Editions back-to-school houndstooth trousers are extra-rugged in comfortable, washable, pure cotton corduroy from Crumpton-Richmond. Pants feature piped pockets and widest belt loops. SUN-SATIONAL COTTON--Crazy-quilt patchwork makes sense for Galtown's colorful suspended skirt in crisp, comfortable cotton. Sun-sentials in back, then-buckles-in front for easy wearing.

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A Weekly Report Of Agri-Business News

Compiled From Sources Of The Texas Department of Agriculture John C. White, Commissioner

Food Shortages? ... Got Yours Yet? ... Farm Prices Up Again ... Just A Reminder.

WHILE WE HAVE no fear of a food shortage in this nation, there is a real worry about enough food for the world's population in the years ahead.

A recent study of the world food outlook noted that supplies of food for the world now depend primarily on growing conditions in 1975 and 1976. If the world--especially the United States--has good growing weather in those two years, the short-range outlook for the world's food production will be good. But bad weather can mean millions could starve throughout the underdeveloped nations.

The study goes on to recommend that the best way to assure more food for the world's hungry is to encourage more food production in the developing countries. Transferring of food from this nation to other nations who do not happen to have a surplus of food production is at an impossible situation in trying to feed all the world's hungry, the report notes.

Stepping up food production, through increased technology in developing countries, is the basic answer to producing sufficient food, the report concludes.

So while we in this nation worry about how we can afford to buy food, it really is a small item compared to what in countries where there is no food at any price. In fact, it's due to the agriculture efficiencies of our farmers that we continue to be the best-fed, best-clothed nation in the world.

FARM parity as of the middle of November is down to which is two points under a month ago and is 13 points under a year ago. Farmers again are finding that farm prices are down, even though not many of their city brethren realize it.

But for the record, all categories of livestock are below parity. So is cotton, but most grain prices are above parity. In Texas, hog prices averaged \$34.60 as of the middle of November while parity was \$45.70. Calves show probably the biggest difference in parity. Calf prices average \$22.10 hundredweight, while parity is \$66.50; this is two-thirds below parity.

Cotton is a similar example. Cotton prices averaged 32.7 cents per pound while parity is 75.64 cents per pound.

Poultry producers, too, are having price problems. Key producers averaged 34 cents per pound as of November while parity was 47 cents per pound. Eggs averaged 63.7 cents per dozen while parity was 74.4 cents per dozen. Milk, wool, and mohair are also below parity levels.

IF YOU are still wondering what to do about Christmas presents, don't forget a practical gift this year. Give meat, poultry, or dairy products. Many stores throughout the state are cooperating in this program with farm groups and the Texas Department of Agriculture. If you prefer, you can give a gift certificate for meat, poultry, or dairy products.

If you want a gift certificate of your own to give, check with your nearest regional office of your Texas Department of Agriculture. You can cut the high cost of gift giving and the high cost of living for your friends with a gift of poultry products, poultry, or meat.

REMEMBER, if you received a questionnaire from the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service please fill it out as accurately as possible and return it as promptly as possible.

YARD ITEMS FOR HOLIDAY DECORATIONS

Certain yard items can help you "deck the halls" of your home this holiday season. points out a landscape horticulturist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Branches, leaves, pods and fruits can be inexpensive, easy to attain decorations. Pyracantha, holly, yaupon and huckleberry provide colorful fruit along with Japanese persimmons and crabapples. Pine cones, cockleburrs, cat-tails and cotton bolls make excellent decorative items. Sumac, oak and sweet gum leaves provide excellent color.

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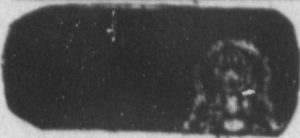
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Kent County, Texas, will receive bids for purchase of fire proof drapes for Kent County Nursing Home until 10:00 a.m. Monday, January 27, 1975. Interested parties may contact Judge Norman Hahn at the Kent County Courthouse or call 806 237-3373. The Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids. This the 9th day of December, 1974.
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Pesticide Publication Available

AUSTIN--Agriculture Commissioner John C. White has announced publication of the 1974 Sample Analysis of Economic Pesticides, a book to provide Texas pesticide buyers with information about products available in the state.

The 122-page book contains the results of laboratory tests on nearly 1,500 products from 154 companies. It notes products on which stop sale orders were issued.

Copies are available by writing Agriculture Commissioner John C. White, Texas, Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Tex. 78711.

Tests were conducted by the department's Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Division.

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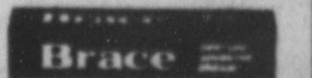


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Nursing Home News

The residents and staff of the Kent County Nursing Home invite you to their annual Christmas party Saturday, Dec. 21, 1974. There will be entertainment and refreshments throughout the evening. The program will begin at 6:30 p.m.
Residents with birthdays in December are Mr. D. Taylor, Mrs. Price and Mrs. Hilton.
Visiting in the home recently were:
Mrs. Elsie Woolley of McAdoo; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harris, visiting Minnie Harris;

Rev. Truett Kuenstler; Mrs. R.D. Hooper; Mrs. Hugh Turner of Girard; Hallie and Dehne Stephens of Abilene visiting Uncle John Latham; D.F. McKenzie of Merced, Calif., visiting Matt Darden; Johnny Cheyne visited Rube Grice; Brian Grice visited, Mr. Favor and Mr. Grice.
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Evening Service, 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7:30

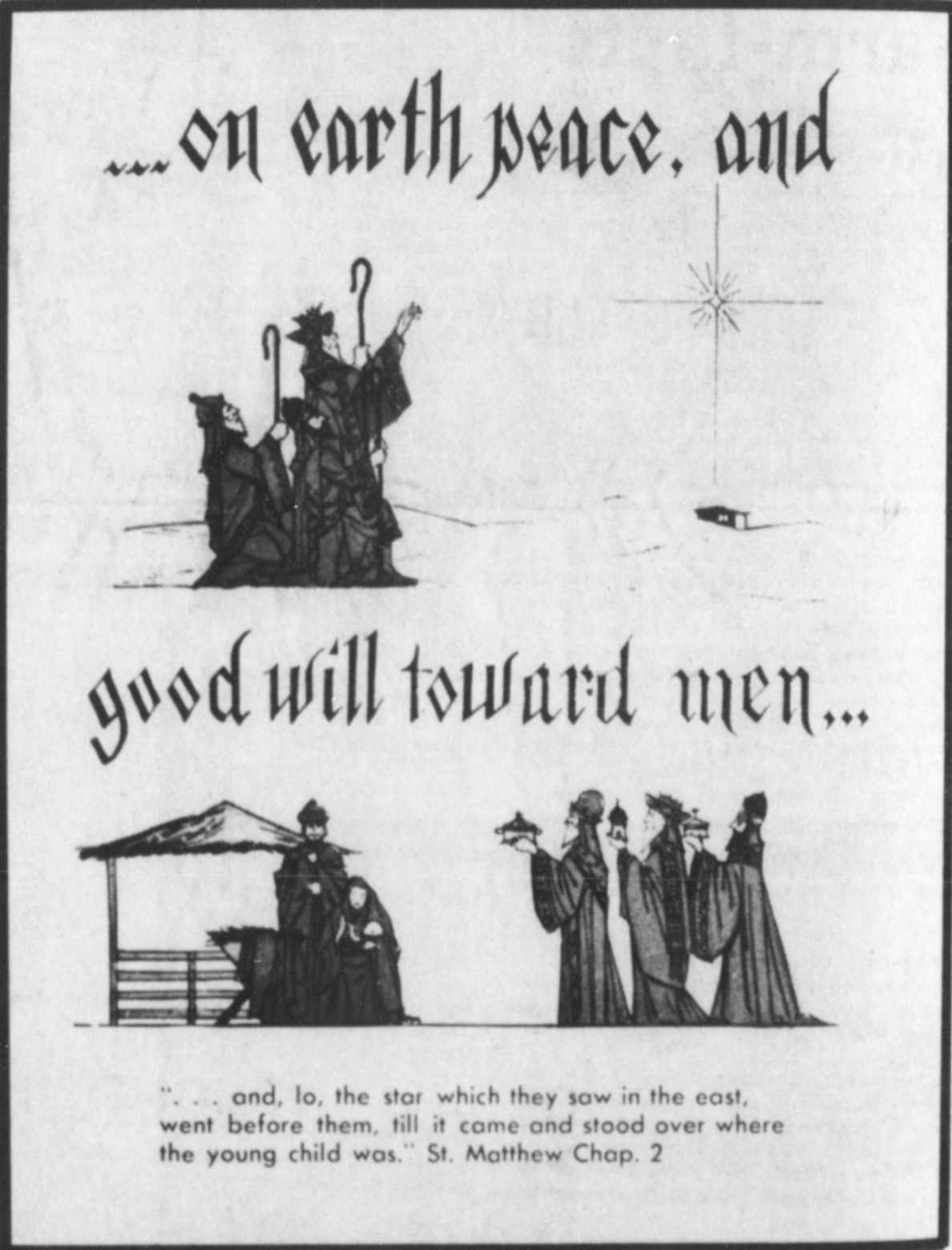
CHURCH OF CHRIST
Girard, Texas
Abe Martin, Minister
Morning Service, 10 a.m.
Evening Service, 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Bible Classes, 7 p.m.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
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Rev. G. B. Jones, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Youth Meeting, 6 p.m.
Evening Worship, 7 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 8 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Jayton, Texas
Rev. Bill Perkins, Pastor
Church School, 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship, 10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship, 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study, 8:00 p.m.
Youth and Children Bible Study 8:00 p.m.

CATHOLIC CHURCH of the EPIPHANY
Mass 7:30 Saturday Eve.
Rev. Larry Hemp

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Jayton, Texas
Truett Kuenstler, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Training Union, 6 p.m.
Evening Worship, 7 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting, Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m.



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