

THE SLATON SLATONITE

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Known Service Station Now Operated By Wilson And Walston

Wilson and his son-in-law Walston are announcing the purchase of the Adams Service Station on North Street.

Walston, who has had a number of years experience in the automobile business, is in charge of the Wilson-Walston Station and will devote his entire time to its operation. Mr. Wilson, who is Slaton's Fire Chief, and who has been employed by the Southwestern Service Company, will continue at his present employment.

The Adams Service Station Wilson-Walston Service Station will feature Texaco Petroleum Products, as well as an extensive line of accessories, tires, and many items that the public expects to find in a modern service station.

We intend to keep our men on their toes at all times to give immediate service to every customer and we will demand courtesy from all our customers from every one who works for us," said Walston, "we hope to keep on the kind of service that has made this one of the most popular stations on the South Street."

BIG FIRM MAY LOCATE HERE

The probability of medium sized distributing plant being established here seemed brighter this week than it was when the proposition was first brought before the Slaton Chamber of Commerce a couple of weeks ago by Mr. Carl Elliott of the California Spray & Chemical Company.

Mr. Elliott and Mr. R. G. Taylor, officials of the company were here this week to make closer inspection of the available buildings that could be used by the concern and when they left they informed Allan Payne, acting Secretary-Manager of the Chamber of Commerce, that they would return at an early date with other officials of the company. They were very well pleased with Slaton as a location and felt optimistic about locating here. The California Spray & Chemical Company is a subsidiary of the Standard Oil Company.

Light Contest Is To Close Today

Today, Friday, December 22, is the last day in which to enter the Slaton Christmas lighting contest, and the Directors of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce would like for everyone who has decorated the exterior of their homes to list their names with the Chamber of Commerce office, so that the judges for the contest will be able to visit the places tonight when inspection for the prizes that will be announced in the next week's Slatonite.

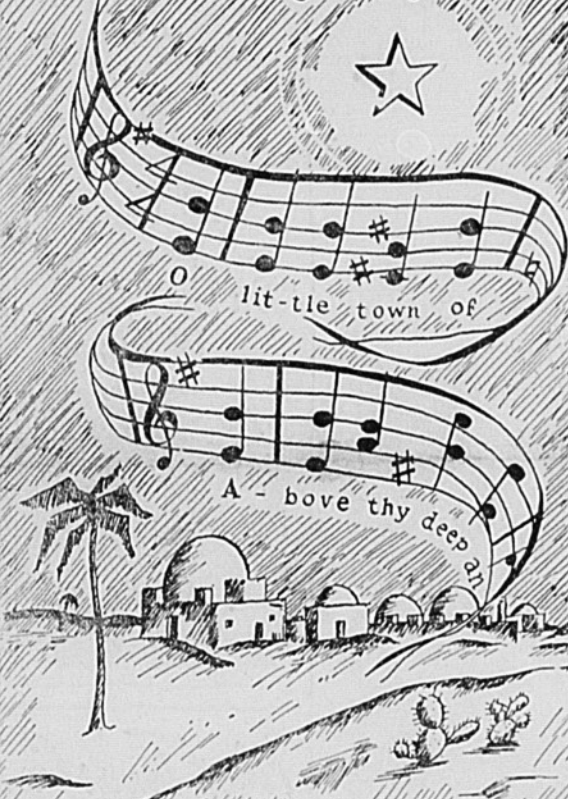
A coupon is being published in another part of this paper for the convenience of those who wish to use it, or if you do not wish to fill out the coupon, please phone or call at the Chamber of Commerce office.

RAILROAD MAN IN HOSPITAL

J. V. Bickerstaff, who suffered a heart attack at Brownfield on Monday, December 11, is at Mercy Hospital. His condition was said to be slightly improved at last reports.

Mrs. H. G. Sanders will have as guests for Christmas dinner her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Sanders and daughters, Jane and Ann, and son, Courtney, Jr., from Morton.

O Little Town of Bethlehem



The First Noel



OIL PROSPECTS LOOKING GOOD

The Long wildcat about three miles north of Slaton was reported to have had a showing of oil at around the 6000 foot level, and the well was shut down for a while last Wednesday to wait for instructions. Drilling was resumed later in the day according to the rumors on the streets. The well was down to nearing the 6500 foot depth when this paper went to press.

The fact that some oil might have been found was encouraging to folks who hold leases and royalties in that part of the county, and there were some smiles on the faces of some of the folks around here that resembled the proverbial cats' smile after he had swallowed the canary.

Town To Close On Xmas And Jan. 1

Christmas and New Year are two of the official holidays of the year for Slaton, according to the agreement of the business firms that compose the Slaton Retail Merchants Association, and Mrs. Lee Green, President of the organization said last week that every firm that belongs to the Retail Merchants has agreed to refrain from doing business on both Christmas Day and on January First.

Major Garrigues Is Air Graduate

MAXWELL AFB, Ala., Dec. 15—Major Lester M. Garrigues, son of Mr. Clyde L. Garrigues, Slaton, Texas, was graduated this morning from the seventh regular course of the Air University's Air Command and Staff School.

Prior to coming to Maxwell, Major Garrigues was Personnel Chief, Airman's Division, Selridge AFB, Michigan.

The Air Command and Staff School, second highest educational unit of the Air University, is designed to prepare officers for the command of groups, wings, and comparable staff duties.

General George C. Kenney is Commanding General of the Air University and Brig. Gen. John A. Samford is Commandant of the Air Command and Staff School.

News Of Slaton Men In Service

Elmer Lee Herring who is stationed in Sasebo, Japan, writes that he won't be home for Christmas. He would like to get letters from anyone at home. His address is Elmer Lee Herring, FA, Navy No. 3912, Box 4, San Francisco, California.

Capt. Don Hatchett, D. C., U. S. Army, was sworn in Friday at ORC Armory, Municipal Airport, Lubbock. He will probably report to Ft. Sam Houston, San Antonio for assignment.

If you have additional information about any Slaton men in service the Slatonite would appreciate your contacting us with that news.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Kendrick and sons, Don and Billy, and daughter, LaRue plan to spend Christmas with relatives in Floydada.

Mrs. S. H. Adams will have as her house guests for the Christmas holidays, her daughters, Frances Adams and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Westfeld and son, John Scott.

Mrs. D. H. Hatchett of Lubbock will spend Christmas day with her son and family, Dr. and Mrs. Don Hatchett.

Clark Self, Jr., has arrived home from ACC, Abilene, to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents.

Foundation For Gymnasium Laid; May Be Completed By April 1951

Free Movie Will Be Shown Today For Youngsters

Sponsored by Boy Scout Troop 29 of Slaton, a free movie for the youngsters of the city will be shown at 10:00 o'clock this morning (Friday) at the Slaton Theatre, Manager Bill McDavid announced earlier this week.

Admission to the movie will be some sort of canned goods or toys, McDavid said. Proceeds from the show will be used by the Boy Scouts in their drive for collection of clothing, toys, and food for needy families at Christmas time.

Another Turkey To Be Given Away

Interest in the Picture Puzzle Contest that is appearing each week in the Slatonite is growing and more replies were turned in last Tuesday night at the Slaton Theatre than were on the first contest.

The third of the series of contests is being published in this paper, and if you would like to have a chance of winning a turkey for your New Year's dinner or would like to win one of the numerous other valuable prizes, better work this weeks puzzle and turn it in by Christmas Day to the Slaton Theatre.

Each week is a new contest, and each Tuesday night a new set of prizes are awarded from the stage of the Slaton Theatre. Winners must be present to win the prizes.

Remember neatness, originality, and correctness are the three points on which the contest is judged. Those who have answered the contests have been having lots of fun. Full details are given on the page where the contest appears.

Following are the names of winners in the last Picture Puzzle contest: first, Mrs. J. J. Nesbitt; second, Mrs. Mae Melugin; third, Mrs. Rhoda Barton; fourth, Mrs. R. C. Stevens; fifth, Mrs. James L. Smith; sixth, Mrs. C. R. Potthast; seventh, Mrs. J. E. Robertson; eighth, Mrs. M. M. Metts; and ninth, T. A. Johnson.

Local Drug Store Is Burglarized Late Sunday Night

Two local men were arrested early Monday morning and charged with burglarizing the Teague Drug Store about midnight Sunday. Approximately \$250 worth of merchandise was taken by the men, according to a statement by Joe Teague III, one of the owners of the store.

The men entered the store through a back window and escaped with several fountain pens, pen and pencil sets and four dollars in silver. They were arrested only a few hours later, and most of the stolen articles were recovered.

Mr. Teague and Charlie Walton are owners of the store.

COTTON GINNING REPORT

Census report shows that 122,344 bales of cotton were ginned in Lubbock County, Texas, from the crop of 1950 prior to Dec. 1, 1950, as compared with 172,513 bales for the crop of 1949.

Harry Marsh, Jr., of E.N.M.U. at Portales, N. M., is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Marsh.

Mrs. Owen Astreth of New York City, formerly Miss Elvira Smith of Slaton, is now with the Grey Advertising Agency, Inc., and is copy writer of advertising and television. This is quite a promotion for Mrs. Astreth.

The steel has been laid and workers began pouring the concrete for the foundation of the new gymnasium for the Slaton Public Schools early this week, according to a statement by Superintendent Lee Vardy. The brick and tile is ready to be laid and that will probably be started the first of the year. Mr. Vardy and other school officials hope that the gym will be completed sometime in April, but the date of completion depends largely on the weather between now and that time. Most of the material is here and ready to be put to use.

When completed, the \$80,000 structure will be 85x110 feet. The playing floor of 50x90 feet. The brick, tile and steel building will have hardwood floors. The permanent type bleachers will seat 800 people. It will be located on the Northwest corner of the High School grounds facing Jean Street.

Butler and Brasher of Lubbock are the architects planning the building, and Haynes and Soash of Lubbock are contractors for the job.

Pageant To Be Presented On Christmas Eve

"The Christmas Story," a musical pageant by Norman Marshall, educational director of the Slaton Baptist Church, will be presented at the First Baptist Church December 24, at 6:30 p. m. The choir of the church will furnish the music while other members will participate in the pageant which will tell the story of the birth of Jesus, in four scenes. Mr. Marshall is director of the program.

Background scenery for the pageant will be the manger scene which will be in the Baptistery above the other scenes. The choir and reader will be hidden, so that only characters in the pageant will be visible to the audience. Mrs. J. B. Huckabay will be the reader for the program.

Vocal soloists in the program will be Mrs. Geneva Ward, Larry Murphy, and Mr. Marshall. Miss Clydel McGinley is organist. Mrs. J. B. Butler is in charge of costumes.

Others participating in the program will be Giles Smith as Joseph; Charlott eSue Liles and Linda Brown, Mary; and Jerry Harlan, David Childers, Boyd Duckett, George Privett, Jr., Jan Smith, Peggy Draper, and James Murphy will be the shepherds and wise men.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Marriott will have as their Christmas guests Mrs. Marriott's parents and brother, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Vineyard and T. E., Jr., from Sherman.

Dr. and Mrs. Don Hatchett and children expect to spend Saturday and Sunday for a pre-Christmas dinner with Mrs. Hatchett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Patterson of Jacksboro, Texas.

THIS WEEK'S SMILES

There had been a death and the funeral was being held. As the minister finished his prayer, he said: "Would anyone like to say anything before we lower the departed?" Nobody spoke up. Thinking that some of the friends would like to say a few good words about the deceased but were shy, the minister said again: "Isn't there anyone here who would like to say some little something?" Nobody moved.

Finally, from the rear, a tall fellow began moving up through the mourners until he stood alongside the minister. "Wal," he began, "since nobody else is going to talk, that's a few little things I'd like to say about Texas."

Contracts Let For New Roads

Contracts were let this week in excess of 19 miles of paving to be done in Lubbock and surrounding areas, which, when completed, will be of considerable benefit to Slaton, as it will connect with six communities that have heretofore had only dirt roads coming into Slaton.

The towns that will be affected are Robertson, Union, Midway, and Klahou and Lorenzo. It has been pointed out that Slaton and smaller towns are fast becoming more popular with shoppers who live in farming communities because of parking and shopping problems and it is hoped by business men that the new roads will cause more business in Slaton.

Week's Question

Slatonites Will Cooperate With Government In State Of Emergency

Friday night the president of the United States declared a state of emergency for the U. S. This does not mean that the official capital, and the young men of the draft must do all they can in building up the nation to guard against communism, but it means that private citizens must do everything in our power to make our country strong. This is a part of the United States' emergency. Our question is "What do you think Slaton should do to help in this emergency?" Here are the answers by some Slaton citizens.

activity promoted by the government.

Mrs. W. E. Smart, 520 W. Garza, "We must forget ourselves and cooperate wholly with the government. It is a mistake for us to try to go on as usual and buying so much. We should be buying bonds and helping the government in other ways." Mrs. Smart has felt all along that we should be getting ready for war with Russia. "The majority of the people" she says, "don't realize the danger we are in now." We have been such a freedom loving people with belief in freedom for all other people, that it is hard for us to grasp the fact that anyone would want to deprive us of that freedom.

Mrs. S. S. Forrest, 22 OW. Scurry thinks that the women should take home nursing courses. The leaders of the city should make plans for caring for victims in case of atomic invasion. All of us should listen to the radio and read all the material that is put out for our protection against the atomic bomb.

-WANT ADS GET RESULTS-



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Shelley Winters, in the role of a frontier showgirl, wards off the unwelcome advances of western gunman Dan Duryea in this scene from Universal-International's new western thriller "Winchester 73," also starring James Stewart and Stephen McNally. Millard Mitchell, Charles Drake, John McIntire and Will Geer head the supporting cast.

What Happened In Slaton Last Year

Taken from the December 23, 1949 issue of the Slatonite.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Liles are having a Christmas family dinner. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jefferson and son from Lubbock are also expected to be guests in the Liles home.

Mrs. W. R. Tomlinson from Temple, Texas plans to spend the Christmas holidays with her daughters, Mrs. Claud Porter and Mrs. Howard Hoffman.

Morris W. Ward, 31, life-long resident of Slaton, died at his home Tuesday, December 20 after having been seriously ill for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Maxey are expecting Mrs. Maxey's mother, Mrs. Rosa Owens of Pampa for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Edwards and daughter, Elsie of Portales will

visit Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Guinn on Christmas.

A combination covered dish luncheon and turkey dinner was held by the members of the Baptist Homemakers Class Wednesday, December 14 at the Slaton Club House.

Miss Louise Payne of Washington, D. C., is in Slaton visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Payne, during the Christmas holidays.

Cpl. Norman P. Burns, USMC, son of Rev. and Mrs. Pearce J. Burns of 145 East Panhandle, Slaton, Texas, recently took part in the ceremonies honoring the Shah of Iran, when that potentate visited the aircraft carrier USS Valley Forge at San Diego, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Anderson and their daughter, Claudia, were severely shaken up in an automobile accident that occurred Thursday morning, December 15th near Roswell, N. M., when a large bottling company truck, a School bus and several other cars collided on

icy pavement due to foggy weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Kitten plan to spend Christmas with Mrs. Kitten's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Kahlich of Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hickman and daughter, Patsy, plan to spend several days with relatives in Baird, Texas.

Boxed Christmas Cards ready for delivery as low as \$1.00 per box, new and unusual designs at the Slatonite.

Family Life Insurance

Life insurance owned per family in the U.S., now nearly \$5,000, is half again as large as the 1941 figure.

"Safety First" The slogan "Safety First" was originated in a steel plant nearly 40 years ago.

Cook Feed for Ponies Korean farmers, who prize their meager holdings of livestock, cook the feed which they give to ponies and bullocks.

Test New Pecans

Pollen of the pecan tree is a fine powder that when it is shaken out of the anthers of a male flower it can be sifted through cloth to remove any coarser particles from the stamens. U. S. Department of agriculture special breeding new hybrid pecans cellulose sausage casings to protect the female flowers from chaff pollinations.

Sales books at the Slatonite.



Friday, Saturday
"Salt Lake Raiders"
 -with-
"Rocky" Lane
 -Second Feature-
"Tiger Man"

Sunday, Monday
 New Sabatini
 Adventure!
"Fortunes Of Captain Blood"
 -with-
 Louis Hayword

Tuesday Only
 Jon Hall
 -in-
"On The Isle Of Samoa"

Wed. and Thurs.
 Peggy Stewart
 -in-
"Messenger Of Peace"

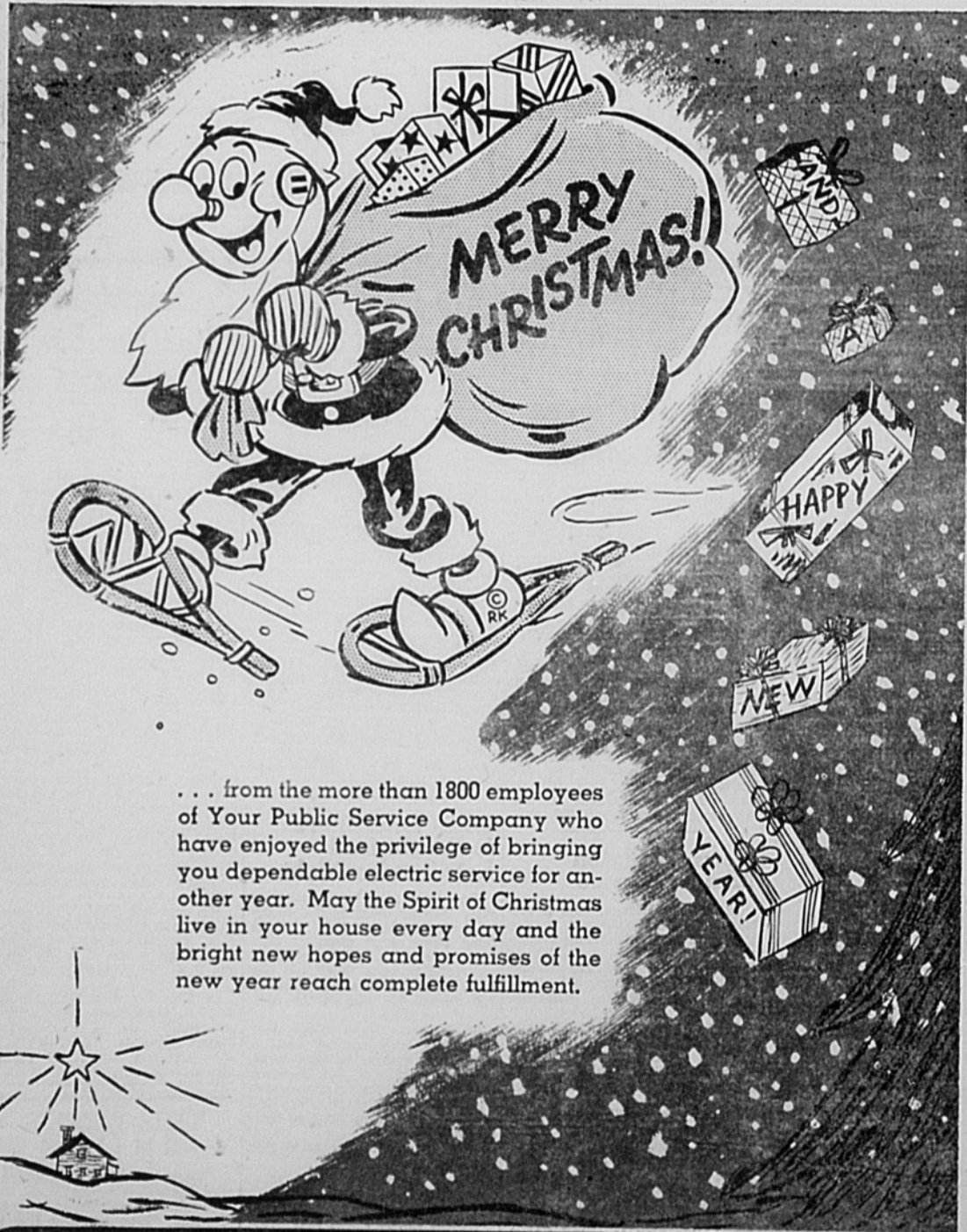


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"Return Of The Frontiersman"
 -with-
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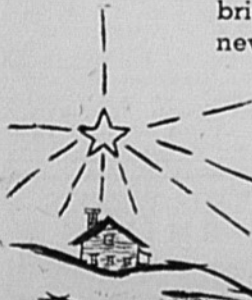
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OUTH PLAINS BUSINESS AND INDUSTRIAL GUIDE

THESE WOMEN!

By d'Alessio



"It's wonderful having a husband so handy around the house!"

West Texas Roundup



After failing to develop production in the Spraberry sand of the Permian, Magnolia Petroleum Co. has decided to retest the Mississippian at its No. 1 Caswell, exploration in the Draw area of southeast Lynn county.

A west offset to the discovery well of the O'Donnell Pennsylvania pool, originally was drilled to salt watered Ellengurger at a total depth of 9,360 feet. It also was barren in the Pennsylvania and was plugged back to the Spraberry.

Now operators have decided to retest the Mississippian, from which the Humble Oil & Refining Company No. 1 H. C. Dulin, one-quarter mile to the north, is producing. The No. 1 Dulin also was barren in the Pennsylvania, but was able to make a small well from the Mississippian at a total of 9,081 feet.

—The Lynn County News

new farm families already have located in the county.

Conservative estimates place expenditures connected with this group of new farmers and land purchasers at more than a half million dollars.

And the tide continues unabated.

In other words, Gaines County is experiencing a mild land boom.

Emphasizing that word mild. Good land with proven worth as cropland or land with verified potentialities is commanding a good price, but observers agree that prices being paid are justified.

—The Seminole Sentinel

Formal opening of the new \$134,000 city filtration plant was announced today by Jack Tallent, city manager.

Starting Sunday the new plant may be seen anytime during the week, Tallent says.

According to W. E. Cuzick, utilities director, the plant is one of the most modern and efficient in Texas. An idea of the efficiency is shown by the fact that 486,700 gallons of water was pumped on an average per day during one month. This is more than 21 water well could produce.

—Colorado City Record

"Saturday, with permission of the Poka-Lambro rural telephone co-operative board of directors, I will place an order for 3,000 dial telephones and 21 automatic dial exchange units," Sam Allen president of the co-operative declared here Thursday night.

—The Sun-News

Quick action and cooperation on the part of the local fire department, employees of two gins and area farmers Friday saved Olton Co-op gin a costly fire in which damages might have run as high as \$50,000, Elbert Hicks, manager of the Co-op gin said this week.

Hicks estimated that some fifty men pitched in with the local volunteer firemen and gin employees to help extinguish fires which spread to 26 cotton-filled trailers parked on the Co-op gin lot after strong winds fanned sparks from the gin incinerator into a full-scale blaze.

—The Olton Enterprise

Scheduled for presentation Tuesday night, Dec. 12, in Abernathy school auditorium, is the Lions club play, "Will The Mail Train Run Tonight?" Curtain time is 8 o'clock.

Betty Jackson, AHS teacher, is directing the play, which features a cast of local men and women. Mrs. Lamar McKenzie is pianist and Harold (Cotton) Hodges is stage manager.

—Abernathy Weekly Review

Preliminary construction plans for the Southwestern Public Service company's new electric power generating station to be located on a portion of the Halsell ranch, four miles south of Earth and nine and one-half miles north of Amherst, were announced today by J. E. Cunningham, company president.

Cunningham earlier had announced conditional purchase of the proposed site, contingent upon water tests, and the purchase agreement was made final this week at the expiration of the company's option period.

Actual work on the construction of the new generating station, tentatively designated Plant "X", is scheduled to get under way in early 1951.

The 50,000 kilowatt generator will be shipped "broken down" because of its huge size. When installed, it will be 53 feet in overall length, 14 feet wide and more than 15 feet high. The entire unit weighs 257,000 pounds when assembled, with the largest single piece weighing just over 199,000 pounds. The turbo-generator, and all other equipment necessary for the generating station, will be shipped to Amherst, nearest rail point for the power plant.

—County Wide News

Funds for the purchase of the South Lake tract for a city park for Post are one-third pledged, members of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce were told in a special meeting Tuesday night.

General circulation of the pledge petition will begin Monday, the group decided. Teams of workers will be appointed, each to make a three-day drive. The drive is to close Dec. 22. Si Thaxton and Judge Lee Bowen are to head the first team of personal solicitors.

—The Post Dispatch

Gaines County currently is experiencing what is the biggest influx of farm families since 30 years ago.

Upward of 100 newcomers have purchased cultivated land in the county or have bought undeveloped range land with the intention of converting it to cultivated land.

It is estimated that, around 75

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the New Year
with a sustaining
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Slide Detector Fence
To prevent train accidents due to falling rocks or earth slides in hilly or mountainous regions, electrically charged wire fences are made to serve as detectors. If a falling rock or an earth slide breaks one or more of the wires in the fence, a relay is released and "stop" signals are set up to halt a train approaching from either direction.

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The dollar used to do pretty well by itself, but now it has to have a partner.

Famous men get their heads on coins, but most folks would rather get their hands on them.

Anyhow, a nickle is better than a dollar, in one respect. It goes to church oftener.

And in that connection, it is a good idea for any of us to follow the nickle to church more.

Just as it's a good idea for you to try our SERVICE. Why don't you?

SELF'S Service Station

UNCLE HANK SEZ

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CHEESE, 1/2 lb. Sharp, Miss Wisconsin		45c
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Silver Anniversary Pontiacs Make Bow



Pontiac's 1951 Silver Anniversary models bring twenty-eight fresh styling innovations and seventeen mechanical improvements to the line. The new Pontiacs, now on display, again are available with six or eight cylinder engines. All models offer a choice of Hydra-Matic or synchro-mesh transmission. The popular Chieftain four-door sedan pictured exemplifies the advanced styling of the Pontiac Line.

New Year Observed March 25 in England Before Calendar Change

Prior to England's adoption of the Gregorian calendar in 1752, New Year's Day was observed on March 25, and of course, New Year's eve was March 24. The English always had a big time on New Year's Eve, and after the Puritan government abolished Christmas and absolutely forbade any solemnization or celebration thereof, the people vented all their holiday spirit on the New Year.

Even after the restoration of the Stuarts brought about a revival of Christmas customs and traditions, Christmas never regained its former eminence; but New Year went right along, surviving Puritanism and later, in 1752, the switch in calendars and the date of its observance.

Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Alcorn's family reunion at their home Christmas day includes their children and their families. They are: Mrs. Audean Watson and daughter Newtie Nan, Arnold Alcorn of Slaton, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Smith and two sons, Giles and Larry, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Henderson and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dunn and children, all of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Gilliland and son Loran, expect to visit in Big Spring over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Benning of Riverside, Calif., visited Mr. and Mrs. Claude Anderson this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hack Lasater will spend Christmas day with Mr. Lasater's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Lasater in Idalou, and New Year with Mrs. Lasater's relatives in Cleburne.

Mrs. Lulu Caldwell is expecting 34 or 35 people for Christmas dinner. Her guests will include Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Mullins, Jr., and W. L. Housour of Lubbock, S. Sgt. and Mrs. Tom Finley of Wichita Falls, and Mrs. Caldwell's other children from in and around Slaton.

Mrs. W. A. Herral of Abernathy, James Pinson of Lubbock and Maxey Pinson of Odessa will spend Christmas in the L. A. Herral home.

Checkup on Cows
Farmers should not be satisfied with less than 325 pounds of butterfat per year from each milk cow. Low producing cows do not pay.

Lightning's Chances
Your chance of being killed by lightning in the United States is about one in 365,000.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bentley will spend Christmas in Altus, Okla., with Mrs. Bentley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Hawkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gaither will have as their holiday guests, Mr. and Mrs. Coy Hester and children of Brownfield, Dr. and Mrs. Sam McMennamy and daughter of Amarillo, and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Thompson of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Anthony plan to spend Christmas in Waco with their daughter and her family the Edward Lambs.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Melton of Quitaque will visit over the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Atkins and Mrs. Toy Melton.

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Christmas Greetings



We want to say, with deepest sincerity, a very happy holiday to you.



1950

Slaton Decorator and Gift Shop

44 West Garza St. Phone 202

Season's Greetings



1950

Joy be yours this Christmas

1950

Mosser Radio Service



HAPPINESS RULE YOUR HOMES THIS SEASON.



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To all the good people of our town we wish the sum of all happiness.

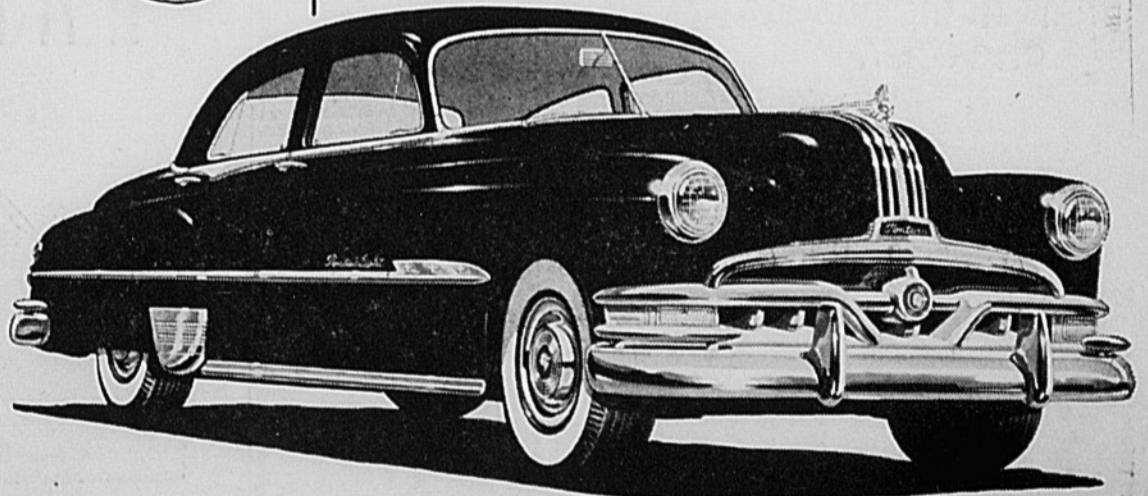


Let us share the joy of the season without stint.

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Come in and see the New Silver Anniversary Pontiac



Double Proof

that Dollar for Dollar you can't beat a Pontiac!

- ① A look at the Car proves its Quality
- ② A look at the Price proves its Value!

In the short time since it was presented thousands of people have flocked to see the great new Silver Anniversary Pontiac—few cars have ever had a reception to equal this. Most people came to admire, which is natural enough. But a great many people do more than admire, they start figuring—they begin to compare this wonderfully beautiful and desirable car with the modest price tag it bears. No car, at any price, offers more for every new car dollar you invest than a great new Pontiac! Drop in any time and look at the car—then look at the price—you'll be doubly sure that dollar for dollar, you can't beat a Pontiac!

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SLATON IMPLEMENT CO.

Slaton, Texas

300 South 9th St.



that a Merry Christmas can mean is our sincere wish for you this glad holiday season!

Anthony's

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Window Shades

When a too-short window shade pulls off the roller, try sewing a few inches of muslin to the top before retacking. It does not show when raised.

Wheat

Wheat is the most widely distributed of all the cereal grains consumed and is the major cereal grain in the world grain markets.

Folding Towels

The way to prevent "long corners" on towels—and an aid to folding them when dry—is to fold all towels lengthwise before hanging on the line.

North Dakota Farmer

The average number of acres per farm in North Dakota increased from 496 in 1930 to 590 in 1945.



JUST TALK

by A.M.J.

Now we're in a hot spot, and in the dog house. Women are calling us wanting to know how you make Jam Cake without jam.

Last week we published Mrs. W. R. Wilson's favorite recipe which was Jam Cake, and the instructions were perfect except that the amount of jam to be used, was omitted. Just what it was omitted turned out to be my fault. To be perfectly honest I did not know that there was a recipe in the paper concerning Jam Cake, but I suppose everything that gets in the paper with a mistake in it, is blamed on me. Must be that I made a mistake trying to publish a newspaper, especially the Slatonite.

Mrs. Wilson told my wife that a lot of women must read the recipes in the Slatonite, for flocks of them have been phoning her wanting to know how many cups of Jam should go into the cake and I'd phone her myself if I could get a Jam Cake made at our house.

Mrs. Wilson used to be the publisher of the Ralls Banner, and folks who used to read her paper tell me that if I could get out as good a paper as Mrs. Wilson, and her force used to publish, that I'd have more subscribers than I could get paper to satisfy.

Mrs. Wilson is one of the nicest women I know, and if you ladies can find out how much jam to use I feel sure you'll have "that man of yours" going on like the dopes talk in the Gladiola radio program, if you make that cake, and if I can find out to print a better Slatonite from Mrs. Wilson I'll be using her recipe on publishing a newspaper.

Up until now I have not been greatly surprised by the things that women come in and want done at a printing office and stationery supply place, such as club programs printed in the shape of a fan, club books printed so that the edges can be indexed, invitations printed on purple paper and baby announcements with pink or blue ribbon tied on them, and up until now we have worked out most of my hair and the problems that have confronted us, but Attorney Claude Cravens came up with one last week that almost stopped the clock. He wanted a pint bottle of blue ink. We had red ink, blue-black ink, black ink, green ink and a small bottle of white ink, but only Royal blue was suitable for the grade of legal advice that he dishes out at so much per yard and only Royal blue ink was suitable for the flourish that he calls his signature.

He got the ink, but it's just such things as this that make folks ask me in the morning when I come down whether I drink prune juice for breakfast.

At last I have found out what to do to get rid of borers that infest peach trees, at least I am very optimistic about solving the problem. Mrs. W. B. Hestand phoned my wife last week that she knows the very stuff to do it with. Moth crystals, and the time to mess up the borers lives is right now.

According to Mrs. Hestand's directions, the person who wants to get rid of the little insects that make peaches have bad spots on them when they ripen, should loosen the ground around the trees, about 15 inches, dig a shallow trench around the trees about six inches away from the trunks and put the moth crystals in the trenches and cover lightly. The directions Mrs. Hestand gives is to do this in October and November, not later than December before the fall and winter rains start. What I'd like to know is what fall or winter rains she is talking about.

And that part about loosening the dirt around the trees and digging trenches! The ground is so

hard right now that I do not see how the borers move tails or jaws, much less make love and multiply, and I'd like to tell anyone who gets the idea of sprinkling moth dust on a borers tail that he, or she, should get some mighty good liniment before they start, that is, unless their ground is a lot softer than ours, or they should do as I did, hire the digging done.

In case there are such hard to discourage folks who still want to go after the borers, the name of the moth crystals is Di-Chloride by Merck. It may be good for killing moths too for all I know.

Some weeks ago I had my blood chilled and threats made that I might get some arsenic in my coffee or get pushed off the front porch, which would have about the same effect since I have gotten so dignified in appearance and so tight in my clothes that I cannot

tie my shoe strings without sitting down pulling my feet up in my line of vision and causing me to get all out of breath after I get the job done.

The cause of these dire threats comes from my wife who says she is tired reading about the things she and our cocker "Sandy" do.

At the risk of having to leave town on a slow trot with some extra size bumps on my head I am going to let out a little information concerning Sandy and keep the other information until I get badly stumped for something to tell about.

Sandy has developed the ability to almost talk, and I'm looking for him to start calling me dirty names most any day, in fact I feel sure that he thinks that is what he is doing quite often these days.

In the evenings when I sink down in my barrel bottomed chair and start reading, Sandy gets by my side and starts mumbling in tones

that sound like they'd be insulting if I knew what he meant. If I do not stop and scratch his ear and poke him a few times he'll dive into my lap right through the paper or knock a book out of my hands. I'm wondering yet what happened to a fellow in Los Angeles who tried to swap his wife for a motorcycle and second hand phonograph. The account of the transaction was in the Los Angeles Examiner I was reading one day last week when the dog jumped through the paper.

It is said that dogs reflect the kind of masters they have and I feel sure Sandy is reflecting my wife when it comes to his talking and he manages to get a lot of stuff out of me, too, only he can eat it and the things my wife gets out of me are most astonishing.

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Steel Pioneer

Captain William R. Jones was the outstanding production genius of the early bessemer steel era. Very early in his steelmaking career he nearly doubled previous records with similar equipment, and continued to produce what were then considered astounding tonnages of steel.

Washing Chenille

Chenille spreads should be washed as soon as they have become soiled. Short, frequent washings are better than an occasional lone one. Do not soak the spreads.

New Atomic Word

Among new words which the atomic age has given the dictionary is "weaponeer." It means "one who activates an atomic bomb into readiness for release upon a target."



Our heartiest good wishes for your Yuletide joy. 1950

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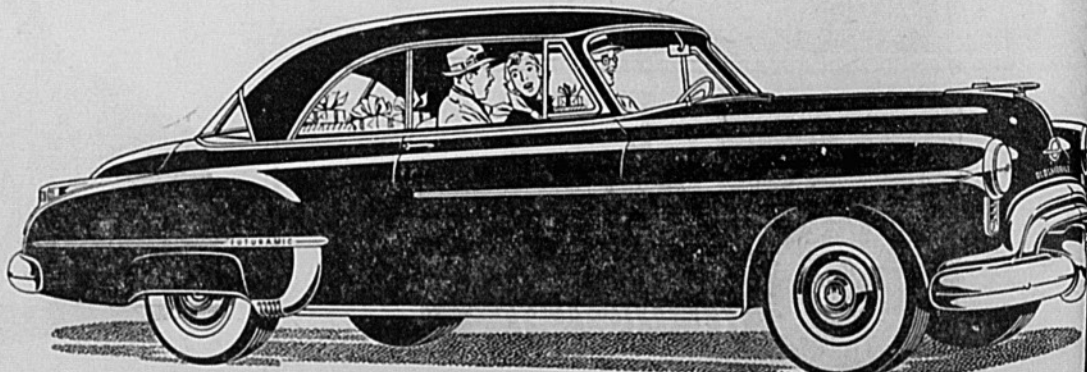
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CHRISTMAS - 1950

The old familiar tidings of "peace on earth" come in 1950 with more of a hope for things not attained than in faith for works achieved. For in many parts of the world there is no peace. Mankind's selfishness has the better of him and differences of opinion are being translated into bloody conflict in various areas of this troubled earth.

The holiday wish for peace comes with a particularly poignant hope to many families in this country, whose sons are either in the service or under the expanded military program are about to be inducted. To the families with sons, husbands or sweethearts in Korea this Christmas will be a sad one—especially sad if the loved ones are languishing in an Army hospital or suffering the hardships of frontline action in a Korean Christmas.

Christmas 1950 with its many perils the world over should focus attention anew on the message of the Babe of Bethlehem—a message which carries hope for all mankind regardless of religious persuasion. There can be no better wish today for all of us than that we work together to attain that state whereby we can truly say as it was proclaimed 20 centuries ago that there is peace on earth and good will toward all men.—The Teamster.

Most Folks Are Never Pleased

Howard Swanner reports that the City of Slaton Bonds sold last week for the best price, from the city's standpoint, of any bonds that have ever been sold by Slaton before.

Nearly every business firm in Slaton has done more business than they have ever done before in history, and most every one who is physically able, and half way willing to work, has a job, including practically all of the women, and yet there is more criticism of our national Government than there has ever been. The dollar is sarcastically called the Truman nickel and every person seems to be complaining of high prices.

There are a great many things for which the present national government deserves criticism, but if ever the people, particularly the big manufacturer, ever had reasons to feel that prosperity has arrived then most certainly they should not be complaining about the amount of business that is being done.

Business, even BIG business has its rights, and should be considered, for it is big business that has laid the golden egg for us in the way of luxuries, conveniences and every-day things we think of as necessities, but if those guys who are operating the big business want a depression they are certainly going at it in the right way, and so are the labor unions. If labor and the capitalists can't make peace we are most certainly going to get in a terrible mess before long.

The Parade Has Started

The present City Commissioners of Slaton have accepted the responsibility that the future growth of the town demands so far as it seems the present will accommodate.

There are quite often serious mistakes made when a town grows to be the size that Slaton is, and that is by not looking far enough in the future.

If Slaton grows, as it seems it will, then the sewer lines will have to accommodate many more people than they do now, and unless they are of large enough size they will have to be replaced as will the water mains and many other facilities will have to be increased.

The \$75,000.00 in bonds recently authorized will provide many conveniences and necessities that the present population needs and will provide for some increase in population, but Slaton grows as much in the next ten years as it has in the last ten, then, the town will be well along toward being a city.

There are some old timers here who insist that Slaton is seriously handicapped by being so near Lubbock, but their desire to keep Slaton from increasing in population is getting past their ability to control Slaton, and Slaton is on its way.

The supposition that Slaton cannot grow because it is so near Lubbock is based on a false belief and grew in Slaton because of the timidity of some of the early day settlers who were afraid to build a lot of room out here in West Texas that they could use in vision two progressing cities in such close proximity as Slaton and Lubbock, but there is no more reason why Slaton could not become as large or larger than Lubbock than there is that it should have remained a small cattle town because it is so near Lubbock. It is worth the jump on them way back in the early days, Saint Paul and Minneapolis are another example of cooperation and growth between two cities. If Slaton does not grow in the future it will not be because Slaton is too near Lubbock, but because the people of Slaton will not take advantage of the opportunities here in West Texas.

People who come to this section from other states and the older settled parts of Texas are all greatly surprised at the fast pace of business and the vitality of the folks in West Texas. We are just beginning to get started and West Texas and South Plains in particular, are most surely destined to be the golden spot in the United States. If you want to keep up with what is coming this way you'd better set your sights and put on your working clothes, or you won't even see the much less in it.

OTES

"The trouble with women's slacks is that they're not enough."—Comedian Bob Hope.

"Every woman should have a husband—especially her newspaper columnist Inez Robb.

"Most anyone will admit he couldn't perform an appendix, but rarely do we find a man who doesn't think he can do a big government job."—Elder Statesman Bernard Baruch

"Federal taxes built big government by siphoning off resources that support local and State governments."—A. Putnam, president of NAM.

"A scandal is something that should be bad to be bad."—N. Y. Times.

From the Honolulu Star-Bulletin: "A well-known beauty says that beauty is not a question of age. It is making the most of her good points."

From the Fosston, Minn., Thirteen Towns: "Household names in the Lindau home are Mr. and Mrs. Waly and their four boys, S. D."

"An endorsement of Senator Russell Long in the short time he has been in Senate he has demonstrated his ability."

From a real estate ad in the Des Moines Register: "House for sale—\$9000, \$8000, \$6500. Better buy one of these. They are very cheap in future years."

Calends to Calendar

In ancient Rome, the priests called the people together on the first day of every month, known as the Calends, and announced the sacred days and festivals to be observed during the month. The people checked the days on their "fasti," marking the important feasts in red.



YOU'LL BE SORRY . . . With the heavy burden of 1950 weighing upon his old shoulders, the passing year embraces with compassion the infant 1951, whose time draws near to take up the cudgel in his year-long bout with the world.

Otter's Strategy

Otters, when hunting for fish, always swim up stream. This is because fish, when waiting for food or reposing, have their heads up the water. The otter can more easily approach them from behind.

Seamless Steel Pipe

The biggest size of seamless steel pipe, used mostly for pipe lines, is two thousand times the diameter of the smallest size of tube, used for hypodermic needles.



CHRISTMAS JOY

May heaven and nature sing for you this season.



S. & J. Cleaners

SEASON'S GREETINGS



Let us look for faith and reassurance in the New Year.



Texas Grocery And Market

Flower Legends Express Christmas Beauty

There are many legends concerning Christmas, but some of the most beautiful have to do with flowers.

The Christmas rose, for instance, was divinely created. A shepherd maid wept at having no gift to lay before the Babe in the Manger. Suddenly an angel appeared before her—

The Angel spoke, his voice was low and sweet
As the sea's murmur on low-lying shore,
Or whisper of the wind in ripened wheat.

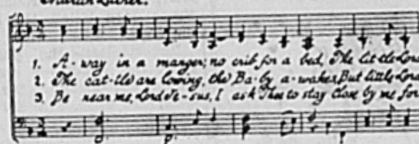
Then, after hearing why the maiden wept, he touched the ground where her tears had fallen, with the branch of lilies which he carried, and immediately the place was white with Christmas roses, which the maid gathered and laid on the manger.

Of the others, Sainfoin, or Holy Hay, is believed to have cradled the infant Christ in the manger.

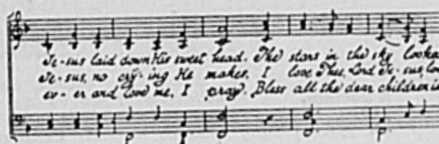
And the snowdrop is the flower of the Virgin Mary, and is said to be the emblem of the candles she lighted on Christmas Eve.

Away In A Manger

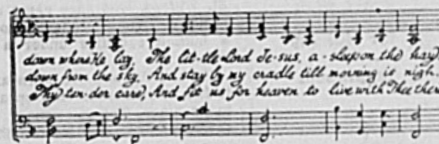
Martin Luther. Carl Hiller.



1. A way in a manger, no crib for a bed, The little Lord lay
2. The ox and the donkey, the Babe lay a-wake, but little Lord
3. Be near me, Lord's - us, I ask that to stay close by me for



He - sus laid down his sweet head. The stars in the sky looked
He - sus no cry, by the manger, I love the Babe, but he lay
He - sus and I, I pray, Bless all the dear children in



down where he lay. He lay in the manger, a - sleep, the head
down from the sky. And stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.
The ox and the donkey, And stay by me for heaven to live with the child

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Buy for the future!

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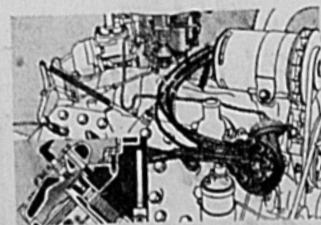
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[WITH 43 "LOOK AHEAD" FEATURES]

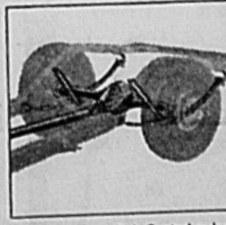
"LOOK AHEAD" features galore have been built into this '51 Ford to give it lasting comfort, beauty and economy. In addition to the features pictured Ford offers you new Double-Seal King-Size Brakes for greater safety . . . a new More Rugged Chassis Frame . . . and a new Waterproof Ignition System.

And in this '51 Ford, you'll find Fordomatic Drive,* the newest smoothest, savingest of the automatic transmissions. You get Key-Turn Starting. And, of course, you get your choice of the silent and savingful power of Ford's V-8 and Six engines. Come in and see this new '51 Ford for yourself!

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Ford's Automatic Mileage Maker is a three-way combustion, ignition, and carburetion system that gives you high compression performance with even regular grades of gas.



Ford's Automatic Ride Control makes rough roads easy on you, easy on the car itself. Trons out the bumps—automatically.



Ford's Automatic Posture Control pulled forward, the seat automatically rises. Pushed back, it automatically lowers.

It's built for the years ahead!

This '51 Ford is years ahead in style, too! You'll see beautiful new "Fashion Car" styling . . . with a future-styled "Dual Spinner" Grille, New Rear Window styling.

And the new, long-wearing "Color-Keyed" Fordcraft Fabrics . . . the new "Safety-Glow" Control Panel in Ford's "Luxury Lounge" Interior match exterior colors!

Come in for the "LOOK AHEAD" facts on the '51 FORD!

SLATON MOTOR CO.

150 W. Lynn

Phone 133

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Whalen will visit Mrs. Whalen's mother, Mrs. G. C. Hannon of San Angelo over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Berry are planning on serving Christmas dinner to over thirty guests from San Angelo, Seagraves, Colorado City, Denver City, Roswell and Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Christmas guests expected in the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Belote are Mr. Belote's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Belote, Sr., of Paducah and Mrs. Belote's mother Mrs. Preston Owens of Crowell, Tex.

Site of Kansas City
An enterprising French trader named Etienne de Bourgmont camped at the future site of Kansas City in 1712 and was the first European to visit there. Daniel Morgan Boone, son of the more famous Daniel, was probably the first American to reach the spot.


Color Aids Sales
A manufacturer of brooms found that attractive color played a large part in the sale of his products when he discovered that an inferior grade, with colorfully painted handles outsold—by 3 to 1—a better quality broom with an unpainted handle at the same price.

Katherine The First
Katherine Child probably belonged to the first woman's auxiliary of master painters in this country. Her husband, Thomas Child, Boston painter and paint maker in the 1700's, had her initial in the coat of arms of the painters' guild of London of which he was a member.

Cutting Diamonds
Although diamonds are one of the hardest minerals, popular belief may lead one to think that another diamond is used to cleave them . . . whereas actually specially hardened steel blades are used.

Wall of China
The great wall of ancient China was a chain of defense with many weak links. It was partly of stone, partly of brick, and in some places scarcely more than a rampart of earth.

**When Father Carved the...
BOAR'S HEAD**



WHAT ROAST TURKEY is to Christmas dinner today, the boar's head was to the Yuletide feasting of Medieval England.

Preparation for the feasting began during September or October when the boar's flesh was at its best. Hunters tracked the animal down with well-trained packs of boar-hounds and it was dangerous sport, attacking the ferocious beast with spears or surrounding him and driving him into a net.

His ear was his most vulnerable spot, but before the dogs could get a grip on it and pin him down, his sharp teeth often wounded—sometimes even killed—the hunter and his dogs.

Nevertheless, the pluckier the boar, the louder his praises were sung, the merrier the feasting, when his head was borne to the Christmas table.

World's Christmas Legends Numerous

Multitudinous legends claim innumerable origins for the Christmas tree. One better known legend concerns an early Christian missionary, sometimes identified as St. Wilfred, who once came upon a group of Druids preparing to make a human sacrifice under a large oak.

He had the oak cut down and, as it fell, a young fir tree sprang up in its place. The missionary seized the evidence and made the fir tree a symbol of the new faith; henceforth, the tribesmen were to set this symbol of immortality in the halls of their lodges at Christmastime and surround it with feasting and love and the laughter of children.

The legend of the Faithful Pine which sheltered the Holy Family during the flight to Egypt is less well known perhaps, but so very charming and touched by the mysticism appropriate to the Nativity theme.

With Herod's soldiers in pursuit, Mary simply had to rest awhile and sought shelter within the hollow trunk of a huge fir tree. As the soldiers approached, the tree bent its branches to conceal the huddled little group. When the danger had passed, the baby Jesus blessed the old tree. And if you cut a pine cone lengthwise at Christmastime, you can still see the imprint of His little hand.

Nor has legend overlooked the bright baubles which bedeck our modern Christmas trees. The first Christmas tree was really an apple tree, according to legends collected by Florence B. Robinson. And, although the fir tree long since has supplanted its predecessor for Christmas use, the popular tinsel bauble of today is the representative of the fruit which for the early Christians symbolized the fall of man in the Garden of Eden and his reclamation by the birth of the Saviour.

Have your prescriptions filled at **TEAGUES DRUG STORE** by a registered pharmacist.

Local Topics

Many farmers fear that the next year will find them very short of help. Many of the young men have been deferred from military service to help gather the 1950 crop, but many of them expect to be in the army before another season. Landlords who own land and have it leased will likely be hardest hit next season.

Did you notice all of the cotton picking machines that worked in this part of the country during November. Many farmers say that they will likely turn to picking machines more and more and believe that cotton picking will be done very much as wheat is gathered in the Panhandle with machines.

A number of new homes are getting close to completion among them the Lloyd Tucker home on Lubbock Street, the Si Wilcott home on Garza and the W. H.

Seideman home on Lubbock Street. All of these new homes are of the highest class construction and will add greatly to the appearance of the town.

There is a very good probability that a good size manufacturing plant will be located in Slaton unless the strained conditions of the nation cause expansion to stop.

Even though prices have been frozen on automobiles many of the local dealers say that they expect to get a good many cars before the deliveries slow down.

Although the recent vote on the issuance of bonds for water, paving and sewage improvements was light it carried two to one, and, if possible, the work of using the money for the

purposes it is intended, will be started.

From all indications the holiday season in Slaton will be quiet. Number of visitors will be around us and a lot of old timers are expected to make short stops here.

Fire Chief Wilson says that folks who have Christmas trees should be very careful about the lights on the trees, especially where candles are used. He said that the holiday season is the worst of all for fires and that this part of the country is particularly vulnerable as things here are getting mighty dry. He particularly warns folks about discharging fire crackers and roman candles into dry grass or where they can set weeds or rubbish on fire.




Your Merry Christmas is in the bag this year.



LOUIE F. MOORE
COUNTY CLERK

Merry Christmas




A bottom-of-the-heart wish for Holiday happiness.

1950

NORRIS BARBER SHOP

Season's Greetings



Here's luck all the days of the year.

1951

Dr. Belote

NEW YEAR

Cheerful Tidings **1951**

GREETINGS

May we offer a big "THANK YOU" for your past patronage?



BAIN AUTO STORE



Peace on Earth

1950

Merry Christmas to you—good friends all.

A Happy, Prosperous 1951

SLATON BUTANE & APPLIANCE

Season's Greetings



MAY YOU ENJOY AN ENCHANTED CHRISTMAS.

1950

BURTON Book Store

Season's Greetings



1950

Direct from our heart—a wish for a very Merry Christmas.

Berkley & Haddock

Bathub Stains
The greenish-blue stain left by water in sink and bathtubs can be removed with a solution of salt in vinegar, left standing overnight in the sink or tub.

Lake Magadi
Lake Magadi in southern Kenya, British East Africa, in a 30-square-mile saucer of solidified sodium bicarbonate, the same as the crystals a housewife uses to soften water.

Shoe Consumption
The average per capita consumption of shoes in the United States runs to about three pairs a year; two pairs for men and a little better than three for women.

1951 Wheat Crop
The government support price for the 1951 wheat crop has been set at 90 per cent of parity to assure an abundant supply of wheat in accordance with acreage allotments.

Kris Kringle Isn't Really Santa Claus

Popular notion seems to imply that Kris Kringle is a German term of endearment for Santa Claus. Just what motivates this idea is not all clear, since Kris Kringle is really a modification of Christkind who, although endowed by German legend as a gift-giver, resembles Santa Claus not in the least.

Santa Claus, as we know him in America, never really caught on in Germany. St. Nicholas comes around on his liturgical feast day—December 6—with his pockets bulging with candy and nuts and trinkets. Well and good, but German parents maintain, as did their predecessors of the Reformation era, that the central idea of Christmas, the birth of Jesus, should dominate the observances.

Nor is Christkind depicted as the Infant Jesus himself, but rather as his messenger and gift-bearer who comes to earth at Christmastime to bring happiness to good children. The Christkind is usually represented as a child dressed in white robes, wearing a golden crown and having big, golden wings.

SOUTHLAND GIRLS ARE ON PLAINS TOURNAMENT TEAM

Mary Frances King of Southland won an All-Tournament basketball award at the Plains Tournament this past week end. Mary is a senior at Southland this year. The award was a beautiful gold necklace with All-Tournament basketball player inscribed on the brooch. Mary is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. King of Southland.

Also represented on the mythical sextette were players from Plains, Meadow, Bledsoe, Wellman and New Home.

New Home high school won both the boys and girls championships. Plains teachers and coaching staff were excellent hosts. This is the first year Plains has had a girls tournament. The Plains school plant is one of the newest and finest in all West Texas.

Mrs. O. B. Lipps underwent major surgery in Mercy Hospital on Saturday, Dec. 9. She has been ill for about two and one half years with heart trouble. She is reported to be improving nicely. Mrs. Lipps is the mother of Mrs. Bert Andrews, Mrs. L. N. Farris and G. V. Lipps all of Slaton. Other children called to her bedside were H. K. Lipps, and Billie Nell, of Breckenridge, Mrs. Jack Teffeller and Mrs. J. M. Taylor of Kermit, and granddaughter, Mrs. Earl Rowan of Kingsville.

Mr. and Mrs. James Perkins and daughter, Harriet, will spend the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mrs. T. J. Perkins and Mrs. J. R. Westbrook in Deport, Texas.

Sheep Breeding
A branding fluid for sheep has been developed which is completely removed from wool by scouring.

NEW TRAFFIC RULES ARE OF MUCH HELP

The new traffic regulations and rules for controlling traffic has helped considerably, but many folks are still double parking in front of the Post Office. A truck was left parked on the West side of the Square last week for several days. The block in the motor froze and the truck was towed to the city shops where it was unclaimed at last report.

Shades of the Past
If King Euthydemus II of Bactria (235 B.C.) could return to the earth today he would find nothing new about 75-25 cupro-nickel coinage such as the United States five-cent coin. Even in his day the mint of his ancient Asian domain was busy turning out coins containing 77.5 per cent copper and 20 per cent nickel.

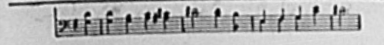
Rev. and Mrs. O. B. Herring left Monday for Houston to visit their daughters and families, Mrs. B. I. Stanley and Mrs. Ned Kempson. The Harrings plan to return on December 30. Bro. Herring says this is the first vacation he has had during the 27 years he has been in the ministry.

Miss Lorene McClintock of New York City, was to arrive Thursday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. McClintock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Holt were expecting their son, William D. Holt and wife and two sons, Mark and Stephen, to arrive today to spend the Christmas holidays. William Holt is a student at the University of Texas Medical School in Galveston.

Wire baskets, regular and large at the Slatonite.

We Extend Our Season's Greetings



In words and music—a very Merry Christmas 1950



DOLLIES ALL . . . Barbara Johnson (left) and Patricia Abel, both orphans, are in a virtual paradise, seated amid so many playmates. The dolls, more than 800 of them, were dressed by volunteer workers for distribution to charitable organizations as Christmas gifts.

SLATON LUMBER CO.

—WANT ADS GET RESULTS—

YULETIDE

! Cheer

A bright note of happiness is our Christmas wish for you.

1950

Forrest LUMBER COMPANY
EVERYTHING FOR THE BUILDER

Merry Christmas

1950

For you may the day be as bright and hopeful as its name.

addoc on Implement Co.

A Christmas thought

☆ Let us be thankful for this land which allows our hearts to be warm and happy on Christmas.

Clay Dates

Department Store

Slaton, Texas

18th Century Camouflage
When Lord Nelson's fleet was engaged in naval warfare during the eighteenth century, he evolved the idea of painting the deck-sides, gun carriages — and, sometimes, the guns themselves — red. Then, when a gunner was killed, the man who took his place was less likely to be unmoved by the bloodstains.

Cleaning Waffle Iron
You can easily clean the grids of a waffle iron by soaking a paper napkin in household ammonia and leaving it between the grids overnight.

Large and regular size wire baskets at the Slatonite.

Ironing Rayon Crepes
When ironing rayon crepes or jerseys always iron with the grain. Iron rayons on the wrong side. Do touch-up jobs on the right side using a pressing cloth over the fabric. If you don't, you will have shine.

Diesel Performance
Diesel locomotives handled nearly 50 per cent of passenger-train car-miles and nearly 35 per cent of freight gross ton-miles in the year 1949.

Chick Eats Chick
Overcrowding is considered a major cause of cannibalism in chickens.

Resolutions Fun, If Right Spirit Attends Making

George M. Cohan may have saluted the great American custom of breaking New Year's resolutions, but Ernestine Evans assures us that around the turn of the century her family played the game of resolutions very seriously and for keeps. The game was invented by the family's Aunt Callie whose dinners were out-of-this-world, and if you were invited to New Year's dinner, you automatically were invited to dinner on April 1. There was one qualification, however.

Aunt Callie's guests were required to write out one—just one—good resolution, seal it in an envelope and deposit it with Aunt Callie.



Then, on April 1, the envelopes were opened and the family, having feasted on their 'second' New Year's dinner, judged just how well the resolutions had been kept.

Typical resolutions covered a wide range of resolves—looking in the dictionary before interrupting conversations by asking questions, folding one's clothes carefully at night, keeping the kindling box well filled, Aunt Lou's anti-gossip promise, and the elders' promises to read aloud and teach the children to sew.

It was embarrassing to have broken one's resolution before it was read on April 1; thus a lot of good habits were launched, and it was a lot of fun, too.

Folklore

Coffee has made its way into folk behavior. In the Antilles, brides carry coffee blossoms instead of orange blossoms. At one time a Turkish wife could divorce her husband if he did not keep her adequately supplied with "the lovable liquor."

New Year Was A Spring Affair In Egypt, Rome

New Year's was not always a mid-winter affair. Ancient Egypt used the overflowing of the Nile as a calendar and celebrated the New Year accordingly, in June. The Babylonians began their year in March, and the early Romans followed the Babylonian pattern.

Bearing this in mind, the custom of invoking the gods of fertility at New Year's time—the origin of which is lost in antiquity—seems logical and appropriate.

The Romans were accustomed to hanging tiny masks of Bacchus upon trees and vines, the idea being to impart fertility to every side of the tree to which the masks were turned by the wind.

In the old days, Rumanian youths went from house to house singing and wishing everyone a prosperous New Year.

Scottish lads always had a howling good time going about on New Year's Eve switching the trunks of fruit trees and petitioning a 'good howling crop.'

Reflecting the fear of starvation, peasant families in various parts of the world baked a special New Year's cake which they dashed against the door; members of the household hastened to pick up a piece and eat it, prayerful that neither hunger nor want should enter the house during the ensuing year.

P.T.A. Units in Japan

More than 31,000 P.T.A. units, with about 16,000,000 members, have been organized in Japan since the American occupation, it was learned by the Japan International Christian University Foundation. Through them, parents in Japan for the first time have a voice in the education of their children.

Sound Sleeper

Especially wary when awake, the weasel is a very sound sleeper. It can often be taken up by the head, feet or tail and swung around for a considerable time before it begins to awake.

Speedy Finish
In one British automobile plant, seven men can paint 1600 car bodies a week because of a conveyor that moves the bodies down the length of the plant. Rotary cradles carry the bodies and allow them to be turned by the men wielding the spray guns so that they can apply the paint at the best working angle.

Rescue work is a helicopter forte. Notable was the one in 1945 when a U. S. coast guard helicopter, assembled at Goose Bay, Labrador, rescued 11 Canadian airmen, one at a time, from a bleak Labrador hillside after conventional planes had repeatedly failed. Helicopters have become standard eyes of fleets operating in ice-choked waters.

"Lion's Provider"
The jackal is called the "lion's provider." When on the trail of his prey, his hideous calls disclose his whereabouts to the lion, who follows in his wake and drives him away from the carcass when the kill is made, leaving him only fragments when his own hunger is satiated.



Loads of CHRISTMAS JOY

May there be no sidetracking of the HAPPINESS EXPRESS! 1950

Is The Wish Of ALLAN PAYNE RHONA SCHRAMM

Merry Christmas

1950

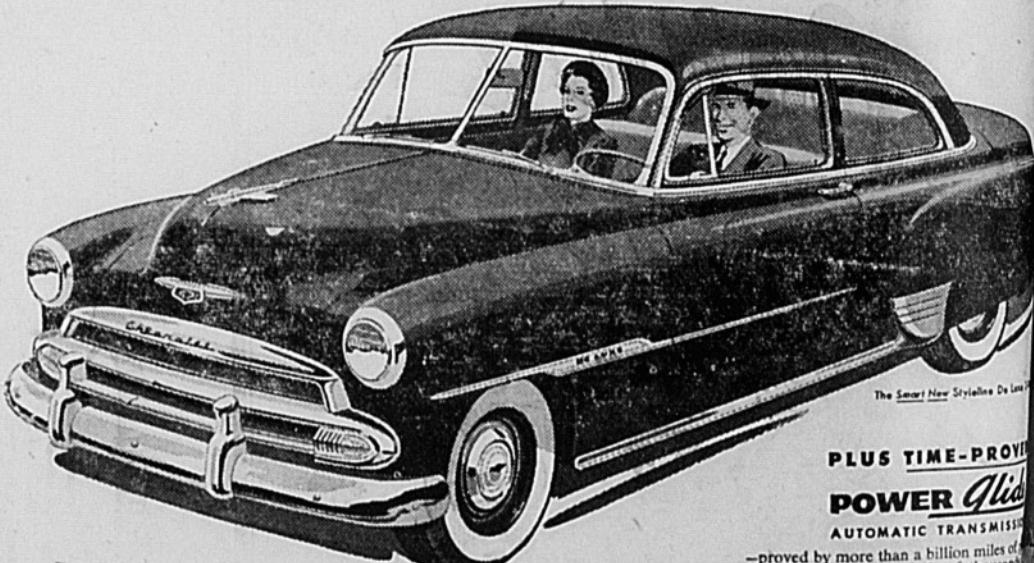


• We hope that peace will

• dwell in all the homes of our town. SLATON PHARMACY

NEW 1951 Chevrolet

AMERICA'S LARGEST AND FINEST LOW-PRICED CAR



PLUS TIME-PROVED POWER GLIDE AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION

All the things you want IN THE NEWEST NEW CAR FOR '51!

Choose Chevrolet and you'll own the newest new car for '51 . . . the car that is refreshingly new, inside and out . . . with that longer, lower, wider "luxury look" which stamps it as most beautiful in its field.

You'll own the only car that offers you your choice of the finest, time-proved no-shift driving* or standard driving, at lowest cost.

You'll own the car that gives the top-flight combination of thrifty Valve-in-Head engine performance, riding-comfort and safety.

Come in . . . see and drive Chevrolet for '51 . . . America's largest and finest low-priced car!

AMERICAN BEAUTY DESIGN—Brilliant new styling . . . featuring entirely new grille, fender moldings and rear-end design . . . imparting that longer, lower, wider, big-car look which distinguishes Chevrolet products.

AMERICA-PREFERRED BODIES BY FISHER—With new and even more strikingly beautiful lines, contours and colors . . . with extra sturdy Fisher Unisteel construction . . . Curved Windshield and Panoramic Visibility.

MODERN-MODE INTERIORS—With upholstery and appointments of outstanding quality, in beautiful two-tone color harmonies . . . and with extra generous seating room for driver and all passengers.

MORE POWERFUL JUMBO (with Dual-Life rivets) Largest brakes in low-price class with both brake shoes self-energizing . . . giving stopping-power with up driver effort.

SAFETY-SIGHT INSTRUMENTS—Safer, more efficient . . . hanging upper crown reflections in windshield . . . ment lights . . . and read instruments in front.

IMPROVED CENTER-POINT Steering even easier . . . and while parking . . . Chevrolet's famous Knee-Comfortable beyond its price range.

*Optional on De Luxe models



MORE PEOPLE BUY CHEVROLETS THAN ANY OTHER CAR

CROW-HARRAL CHEVROLET

120 N. 9th St.

Brown Sugar
Brown sugar gets hard when it is packed. To soften it, put it in a heavy, wet cloth. Let it stand for 24 hours or longer and it will be soft again.

Draperies
Drapery and curtains should be hung in a way that will give them the height of the window. An abundance of inexpensive material is better than an insufficient amount of quality material.

Thin, but Efficient
A film of palm oil on the finish of a tin plate used in "tin cans" is so thin that it is barely seen with the naked eye, but it is five times thicker than a standard coating of tin on steel.



Our very best Christmas wishes.

1950

HUETTE
Ice Station

'AND THEY WENT UP...' There Was No Paved Highway For That First Christmas Trip

There was no macadam highway leading from Nazareth to Bethlehem when Mary and Joseph undertook their memorable journey nearly 2,000 years ago.

As far as routes were concerned, there were three. The western route led along the sea-coast and through the plain of Sharon. This route was unpopular with pious folk like Mary and Joseph who shunned the heathen cities, rowdy travelers, etc., as much as possible.

The shortest route, via the fruitful plains of Esdraelon into the mountains of Samaria and through Shechem and Bethel, was not very popular either. The road was tolerable, but steep; however, the Jews had little use for the Samaritans, and vice versa.

The Jordan route, which descended into the Jordan valley and followed the river's east bank around Jericho, was favored by the majority of Galilean travelers who for one reason or another (the Passover, etc.) went down to Jerusalem at regular intervals and knew their way around as well as suburbanites know their way around modern metropolitan areas.

If the Jordan route was a little round-about, it was fairly level—and steeped in Jewish history, from the shadow of Mount Tabor where Saul in desperation sought his 'witch' of Endor, to the tomb a

little before Bethlehem where the first Joseph buried his beloved Rachel.

It is fairly certain that Mary and Joseph did not choose the western route when they planned their very special journey. Whether they chose to go by way of Shechem and Bethel, or around the walled city of Jericho may never be determined definitely.

But, the distance — nearly 100 miles—was, in any case, unrelenting and conquered only by persistent plodding. And when Mary was too tired to go another step, Joseph took the packs upon his



own shoulders so that she might ride the little donkey which trudged faithfully at his side.

Verily indeed, did Mary appreciate the shelter of the stable that night—no one could have been more grateful or more happy than Mary. And she brought forth her first-born son, and laid him in a manger.

Pentagon Building
Construction of the Pentagon began in September, 1941, and was finished in January, 1943. The job normally would have required four years, but workmen operated around the clock. Pentagon employees numbered 33,000 in 1945, peak war year, and security regulations were stringent. Today only parts of the building are out-of-bounds to callers.

Aids in Application
After your paint or enamel is thoroughly mixed and ready to be applied, transfer a small quantity of it to a large can. It makes it easy to dip your brush without bending the outside bristles. Empty coffee tins are useful.

Protection for Shoes
If your shoes come clean after a scrubbing but the leather toes and heels look dowdy, give those portions of the shoe a coat of thin colorless shellac. It protects the leather and restores gloss.

Blue Denim Trousers
British sailors named the blue denim trousers for the town of Dungri, a suburb of Bombay, India, where the sturdy cotton cloth first was manufactured for tenting.

Spider's Diet
Spiders eat other insects, besides flies. Under winter conditions, they can go without food for probably as long as several months.

Left-Over Wall Paper
Leftover wall-paper makes an attractive and practical place mat for the table. Cut out several mats with pinking shears for a finished edge and then add a coating of shellac to make them washable with a damp cloth.

Grain Crops
Famine and severe food shortages are generally very closely associated with failure of the grain crops from which both man and domestic livestock derive a large part of their total food supplies.

Photo Finish
The inner surfaces of a camera must be black throughout. The black finish used must dry dead flat and show no streaks or gloss. The finish must also have excellent adhesion.

Steel in Medicine
Stainless steel is used by some surgeons to patch or replace damaged bone because the metal withstands body acids and does not poison the blood.

Strawberry Jam
Strawberry jam should be stored in a cool, dark place in order to preserve its color satisfactorily.

Cutting Marshmallows
Dip scissors in hot water before cutting marshmallows to keep them from sticking.

Bakers' Milk Bill
American bakers annually spend \$55,000,000 on the purchase of milk.

Cooking Chickens
Always cook chicken "well done" and at low temperature.

Hamburgers
A hamburger and bun contains 29 per cent of the working man's daily requirements of thiamin.

Christmas Joy

May true happiness come to you and yours on this Day of Days.

BUTLER MONUMENT WORKS

Christmas Cheer

It's Christmastime, and we are happy once more to extend our heartiest Yule greetings to a host of good friends, young and old, old and new.

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!

Campbell's Gin

Merry Christmas

Good friends, let us be thankful for this gracious season. 1950

SLATON BAKERY

DICKSON HATCHERY
extends

Christmas Cheer

Cow Feeding
Cows being fed for high milk production need correspondingly large amounts of fresh drinking water

Roman Vote Getters
In order to get votes, Roman politicians often distributed free bread to citizens.

Two Terms
The first President of the United States, George Washington, served eight years.

Milk Ring Test
The milk ring test is a quick method of testing cattle for brucellosis.

U.S. Place Names Express Christmas Idea Many Ways

SANTA CLAUS, INDIANA: Bethlehem, Conn.; and Christmas, Fla., are a few of the more familiar post offices which each year handle a flood of mail from senders wishing to obtain yuletide postmarks.

Although the federal post office department has now barred extra flourishes by local postmasters using Christmas symbols and mottoes, a town's own holiday name can still give that festive touch to a greeting or package of toys.

Indiana's Santa Claus is the only town so designated in the United States. The privilege is reserved to its post office by congressional act. There is, however, Santa, Idaho. There is also only one Christmas—the one in Florida—plus a Christmas Cove, Maine.

On the other hand, seven Bethlehems answer the seasonal roll call: they can be found in Connecticut, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, New Hampshire, and Pennsylvania. The Bethlehem, Conn. post office was one of several stations that figured in headlines recently on the use of especially-designed cancellation stamps bearing the now-forbidden Christmas tree decoration. The town's population is about 350.

There are two Noels—in Virginia and Missouri. Last year, Missouri's Noel post office reported hand-cancellation of a record 650,000 pieces of Christmas mail—800 for each of the town's residents.

Besides specific Christmas names that dot the land there are dozens that call up Biblical or holiday associations. There is Advent, W. Va., for the Nativity. Kentucky has a Mary, and Oregon and Utah a Joseph each.

One Wiseman is found in Alaska, and another in Arkansas. The third, it may be assumed, is in Wisemantown, Ky. There are five Stars and four Shepherds. West Virginia contributes Goodwill; Missouri, Peace Valley; and there is Joy in Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri, and Texas.

For the Christmas party, Turkey is available in four states; Cranberry in three. Kentucky has a Mistletoe. Six states count an Evergreen; seven a Pine, and three a Holly.

Louisiana comes up with Trees, Alabama with Candles; and to top the decorations, Pennsylvania has its Angels.

Mistletoe Has Come Long Way Since Days of Druid Worship

The mistletoe has come a long way from the days when it was worshiped by the British druids to its present status as a criminal killer of forests. However, its use as a symbol of love, peacemaking and goodwill survives to this Christmas intact from the pre-Christian days of the ancient Scandinavian light god, Balder, whose palace stood in the Milky Way.

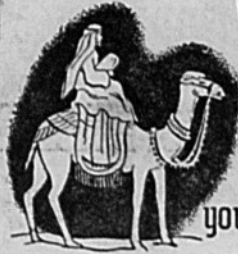
The beloved Balder, so the myth goes, was slain by a mistletoe arrow but was restored to life at the intercession of the other gods. Custody of the mistletoe plant was then entrusted to the goddess of love who ordained that henceforth anyone passing beneath its bough should receive a kiss in token of love, not vengeance. As long as the mistletoe was held high it could never be used as a power for evil.

STRICTLY BUSINESS by McFeatters



"There's some dope in the reception room who claims he's a hypnotist. Woof!"

SEASON'S GREETINGS
Merry Christmas 1950



We're deeply grateful for the gift of your friendship.

CHAMPION JEWELRY



LET'S STRIKE A CHORD OF MERRIMENT.

MODERN WAY FOOD STORE



To you, a full measure of peace and plenty.



PEMBER INSURANCE AGENCY



The true peace and joy of the season be with you...



Model Grocery And Market



Best wishes for your happiness this Yuletide.

KERTAN STUDIO



Love and kindness guide you this reverent season.

And may none but true friends cross your path. 1950

CLIFFORD AND ETHEL YOUNG

FOUR CARS DAMAGED BY DRUNKEN DRIVER

A negro was arrested last week for drunken driving. He rammed into the rear of a row of parked cars in front of the Baptist Parsonage at 2:30 Monday morning and not only wrecked his car, but damaged three others. Little insurance was carried on any of them.

SCHOOLS TO OPEN JAN. 2ND.

The Slaton Public Schools closed on Thursday, December 21st for the holidays, they will convene again on January 3rd, allowing Monday January 1st as a holiday. Some new students are expected to enroll here when the new year starts.

— WANT ADS GET RESULTS

OUR BEST TO YOU



MERRY CHRISTMAS!
1950

SLATON-PALACE THEATRE

Bill McDavid, Mgr.