

Merry Christmas

**Cities Don't Grow
-Men Build Them**

THIS AREA IS COMPOSED OF MEN WHO ARE BUILDERS - WATCH US GROW

The NEWSpaper Dedicated to the Development of the World's Richest Irrigation Area

The Earth News - Sun

**EARTH
SPRINGLAKE**

"A CONSOLIDATION OF THE EARTH NEWS and EARTH SUN, OCTOBER 12, 1956

VOLUME NO. 3

TEN CENTS

EARTH, LAMB COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1956

20 PAGES

NUMBER 19

NOSIN.....

WITH POLLY

Let no pleasure tempt thee, no profit allure thee, no ambition corrupt thee, to do anything which thou knowest to be evil; so shalt thou always live jolly; for a good conscience is a continued Christmas.

-BENJAMIN FRANKLIN
-nostri-

Why is it that Christmas brings back memories of ones own childhood? I can almost see that old long tan ribbed stocking I used to hang up on Christmas night. Gee, it was a wonderful feeling the next morning. We eight youngsters awoke the next morning long before day break and made a dash for our stockings. (It sounded I'm sure, like a stampeded herd of buffalo.) We'd always find an apple, orange, nuts and candy and I always seemed to get a china doll, too. (It was to me the best and most beautiful doll in the world for it was mine.) Our candy and fruit lasted quite awhile for we knew after that was gone, it was another year till Christmas again. (I think I was about sixteen when I finally discovered fruit was available and could be purchased anytime throughout the year.)

And I recall our first phonograph. (Reddy Killowatt, that working little lad from Southwestern Public Service hadn't seen this little gem.) It was run strickly by child power, we'd have a healthy little argument over who got to wind it up at first, and, oh, I almost forgot to mention those exciting tunes we heard. (Its no wonder we didn't learn the "hokey pokey" while listening to "Sweet Alice Ben Boat.") Its melodious tempo is not what you'd call the Elvis Presley style of today. We didn't have a lot, but we were not aware of that, we had each other and that was happiness.

Mom with us seven kids who use to dash for their old cotton socks will gather back in Oklahoma for Christmas. (So if you've seen the News personnel dashing around with a little more speed this week it's because we're eager once again to gather together for the holidays, each with thankful hearts for this opportunity

-nostri-

Merry Christmas to all our readers everywhere, we have found you to be, patient and long suffering, and to those with whom we have personally been associated, we feel words cannot adequately express the genuine appreciation of our pleasant associations these past two years. May each of you have happiness aglow in your hearts through this season, and may it be so installed that its contentment will linger through the years.

(See you when we get back)

Former Resident Dies Monday in Clovis

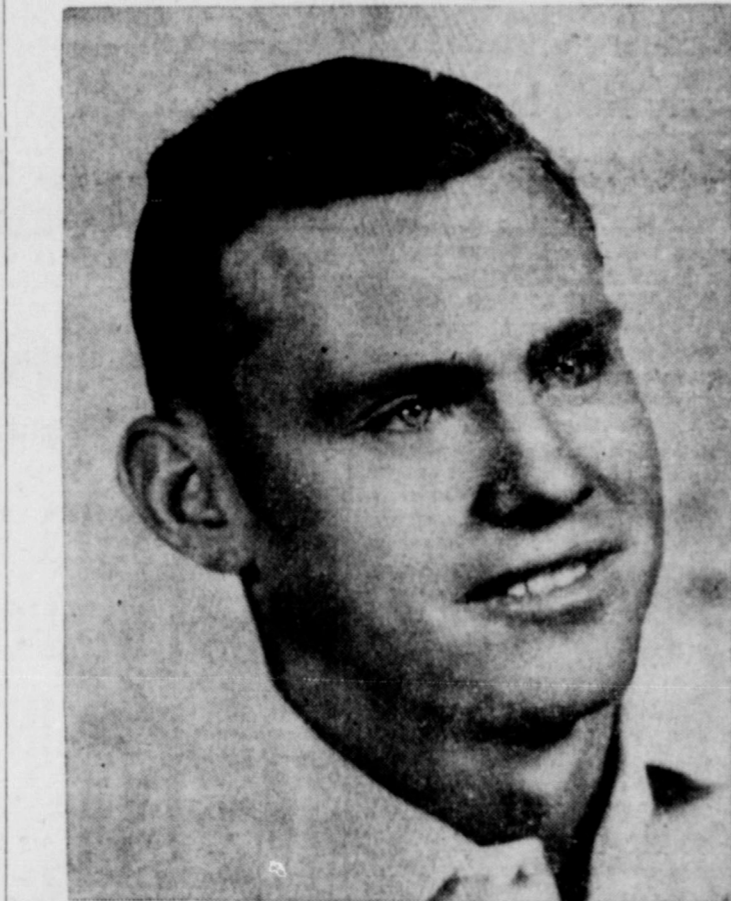
C. E. "Sonny" Wood died Monday in Clovis from injuries sustained while pulling posts with his pony.

Funeral services were held in Clovis Tuesday. Wood was well known in this area, having been an area resident a few years ago. Several from the area attended funeral services.

Christmas Cards and Packages Should Be Air Mailed Says Postmaster Kelley

Postmaster Kelley expressed his thanks today for your cooperation so far on his annual "Mail Early For Christmas" campaign. He said, "I know the time has passed to talk about mailing early." To the inevitable last minute mailers he suggests that you use Air Mail for every Christmas card or gift going out-of-town, and get them in to the mail right now!

The flood of outgoing Christmas



JESS (Pap) PARISH

Bill Kisinger Named New Fire Chief At Meeting Monday Night

New officers for the coming year were elected at a meeting held Monday night by the Earth Fire Department.

Bill Kisinger was named new Fire Chief, 1st assistant, Harold Britton; 2nd assistant, Ed Williams; president, Harold Miller and secretary, Harold Britton.

Outgoing officers are Fire Chief Lynn Glasscock; 1st assistant, Sam Templeton; 2nd assistant, Keith Chasteen; president, Carl Jones and secretary, Harold Britton.

Members voted to donate \$25.00 to the Lion Club Santa Claus Fund. The first party of the New Year will be held Friday night, January 4 at the Legion Cafe in Muleshoe for members and their wives.

Emergency Feed Grain Program Deadline Extended

The Emergency Feed Grain Program applications deadline has been extended according to Lamar Aten, ASC office manager.

The deadline for applications for grain and mixed feed is now February 15, 1957.

The deadline for roufrage under the program was extended to March 15th.

Applications under the government plan may be submitted at the ASC office in the courthouse or at the FHA office in the post office in Littlefield.

J. A. (Pap) Parish Killed In Car Wreck Sunday

Jessie Albert (Pap) Parish, 23, died at 2:30 a.m. Sunday, December 16, from injuries received in a car collision, 2 miles west of Texico, New Mexico on U. S. Highway 69.

Two other persons also were injured in the accident, but both are reported to be in good condition. They were John R. Williams, 17 and O. C. Martin, 20, both of Earth.

New Mexico highway patrolmen said, O. C. Martin, driver of the car attempted to pass a car, driven by Jack R. Bates of Sudan, who was also passing a pick-up truck. Martin pulled on to the shoulder dividing the highway to pass the Bates car. Martin apparently saw a row of giant post lights ahead of him and abruptly swerved back into the inside west-bound lane in front of the Bates Car. Martin's car skidded around broadside to the highway, then was struck on the right side by the Bates car. Both cars overturned and came to rest on the north side of the highway. Parish and Williams were in the car in which they were killed. Parish was pronounced dead on arrival at the Clovis Memorial Hospital.

Parish was born at Earth and was a member of Earth First Baptist Church. Parish was a farm laborer.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m., Tuesday in the Earth First Baptist Church with the Rev. Eugene Matthews, pastor of the Earth Methodist Church officiating.

Survivors are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Parish of Earth. Four brothers, James Melvin and Keith all of Earth and Robert serving with the U. S. Navy; two sisters, Mrs. Glenn Kennemer of Littlefield and Mrs. L.A. Marshall of Sulphur Springs, Texas and his grandfather, J. A. Parish of Truth or Consequences, New Mexico.

Pall bearers were: Gene Templeton, Ardis Barton, Glenn Vinning, Weldon Barton, Jewel Haberer and Lesteh Hammons. Honorary pall bearers were Keith Jones, Lewis Meeks, Bill Kisinger, Bill McBride, Ted Haberer and E. R. McAlpine.

Interment was in the Earth Cemetery under the direction of Lemmons Funeral Home of Plainview.

The penultimate day of the month is the next to the last day.



Farmers of the Flagg Community gathered Monday night at the Big Square School house to organize a Co-op Gin for that area. Meeting with this group to assist them were Jess Goode, manager of the Earth Co-op Gin, Inc. and directors G. W. Sanderson and Bob Armstrong also Mr. Davis, who is manager of the Co-op Oil Mill of Lubbock and Mr. McQueen manager of the Co-op Compress in Plainview.

New Ice Machine And Building To Open Soon In Earth

Ted Borum, owner of the Earth Theatres has announced that he will open a 2,000 lb. Flake ice machine for selling ice to the public in the very near future, in Earth.

Borum stated that he had not definitely decided the location or size of building plans are being made to begin construction of the building shortly after January 1st.

Stevie Hay Injured While At Play

While playing with a Tinker Toy in his home, Friday night, little Stevie Hay, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Hay, fell and pierced the roof of his mouth.

Stevie was admitted to the Medical Arts Clinic in Littlefield early Saturday morning for treatment. He was dismissed Sunday and is reported to be doing nicely.

Jarvis Angeley Appointed President Of Recreational Committee

The Recreation Committee met Tuesday night in the Lions Hall at which time officers were elected and a finance committee was appointed.

Jarvis Angeley was elected president; Clarence Kelley, vice-president; Mrs. Wilma Taylor, secretary;

Chairman And Committee For New Country Gin Appointed Monday Night

NOTICE ..

Sealed bids will be received at the Springlake Tax office, January 4, 1957 at 2:00 p.m. on a 1957 Ford School bus being offered for sale.

This equipment may be seen at the Springlake School Campus.

Bids proposed may be secured by contacting John Adams.

The Springlake Schools will be dismissed at 2:30 p.m., Friday, December 21-31 for the Christmas Holidays.

P. T. A. MEETING TONIGHT
The regular monthly meeting of the Springlake P. T. A. will be held tonight, (Thursday), at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Principal speaker will be Rev. Cecil Meadows. A playette will be presented by the High School.

All parents and teachers are urged to attend this meeting.

Edward Jones was appointed temporary chairman and also a steering committee was appointed when a group of Farmers met Monday night at the Big Square community building for the purpose of building a new co-op gin in the Big Square community.

Those on the steering committee are Dent Bradley, Laverna Vaughn, Joe Collins, George Gables and Clayton Graf.

The committee will investigate the possibility of purchasing or building a new gin in the community. The committee will contact gin machinery manufacturers, for prices and also a possible site for the proposed gin will be investigated, also farmers of the community will be contacted for their support and support on the project.

A meeting will be held Thursday, January 3 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Gables, 5 miles east of the Flagg Gin. All farmers who are interested are urged to attend.

Guests present at the meeting were Jess Goode, Bob Armstrong and Ross Middleton of Earth, Roy H. Davis of Lubbock, manager of the Co-op Oil Mill, director of Houston Bank of Cooperatives at Houston and Intermediate Credit Bank, director of Plains Cotton Growers and director of the National Cotton Council and John McQueen of Plainview, manager of the Co-op Compress.

Brother of Phil Cannon Dies In Alabama

Allen Cannon, 46, brother of Phil Cannon, died suddenly of a heart attack, Friday enroute to a hospital.

Funeral services were held Sunday in Thomaston, Alabama and burial was in the Thomaston cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Cannon left immediately to attend funeral services.

Springlake Gin Co. Presents Gift Of \$150.00 To Wolverine Band

A gift of \$150.00 cash has been donated to the Springlake Wolverine band from the Springlake Gin Company by Mr. Bill Braden.

This gift has been made to the band as a Christmas gift to an organization in which our entire community is interested, rather than sending gifts to individual patrons of the gin.

Such gifts to the Wolverine Band are tremendously appreciated because it will take several thousand dollars to properly instrument and outfit the band.

Our sincere thanks to Mr. Braden and the Springlake Gin Company for this expression of support and confidence in the band.



Group of people interested in the Experiment Station of the Texas Research Foundation met Friday night at the community center. Pictured from left to right are Weldon Barton, Dr. Longnecker from the Foundation, V. J. Sigman, Delma McCarty, Dr. Davis, scientist of Research Foundation, Bill Bryant, G. W. Sanderson Clarence Kelley, Edward Jones and Mr. Janeway from the Research Foundation.

Den II Scouts Have Den III Scouts Have Monday P. M.

A Christmas party for Cub Scouts, Den III was held at 4:15 p.m., Monday, December 17 in the home of their Den Mother, Mrs. Ta' Borum.

The scouts were in charge of the decorations and plate favors. Gifts were exchanged and each boy presented his mother with a gift they had made.

Each scout brought a gift for needy children.

Parents of the scouts presented Mrs. Borum with a useful gift. Refreshments of fruit cake, date loaf, candy, coffee and Cokes was served to John Patterson, George Foreman, Larry Joe Watson, Dean Richardson, Gary Cowley, Bobby Borum and Denny Parish. Mothers attending were Mrs. Tommie Foreman, Mrs. Joe Watson, Mrs. O. W. Richardson, Mrs. Everett Patterson and Mrs. Kenneth Cowley.

Party Line.....

Lloyd Skinner of Springlake left Sunday for San Francisco, Calif. on business.

Mrs. Pat Montgomery, Mrs. Bill Beasley and Mrs. David Johnson were Muleshoe visitors, Thursday.



CUB SCOUTS of Den III, are pictured with the Christmas tree they purchased and decorated to be given to a needy family who might not have a tree. Each member of the den brought his favorite toy to be given to a less fortunate child. Seated left to right are Gary Cowley, John Patterson, George Foreman, Dean Richardson. Standing are Denny Parish and Mrs. Borum, Larry Joe Watson and Bobby Borum. (NEWS PHOTO)

Buddy Free is driving a new 1957 Ford Ranch Wagon.

Students of Mrs. Cletis Clayton Has Christmas Party and Program

A Christmas party and program for piano and organ students of Mrs. Cletis Clayton was held Tuesday evening in her home. Students participating in the 1st program at 8:00 p.m. were:

June Taylor, Jingle Bells; Peggy Kelley, Caprice; Mary Hucks, O. Christmas Tree; Camilla and Sharon Wheatley, piano and organ duet, Jingle Bells; Sharon, organ solo, Santa Claus is Coming to Town; Sharon Wheatley and Mrs. Clayton, organ and piano duets, Beautiful City, The Shepherds and The Angels; Camilla Wheatley, Christmas Eve Medley and Christmas music on the organ by Mrs. Clayton.

Those on part two at 7:00 p.m. were:

Cheryl Foster, Jolly Old St. Nick and Fairy Tale; Linda Ussey, Christmas is Coming; Donna Watson, Deck the Halls; Donita Kelley, Jolly Old St. Nick; Diane Hodge, organ solos, Deck the Halls and Lullaby; Beverly Burrow, Jolly Old St. Nick; Christmas music on the Hammond by Mrs. Clayton.

Those on part three at 8:00 p.m. were: Steven Sanderson, Up on the Housetop; Janice Blackburn, Christmas Song; Betty Cody, Santa's Reindeer; Janice Blackburn, Santa Claus is Coming to Town; Barta Haley, Frosty the Snowman and Deck the Halls; Linda

Murrell, White Christmas; Joyce Jones, Look Out the Window; Darlyanna Morris and Karon Knight, piano duet; Barta Haley, organ solo, White Christmas; Karon Knight, Frosty the Snowman and Darlyanna Morris, Skaters Waltz and Jingle Bells.

Refreshments of punch and cookies were served to all and gifts were also on the tree for each.

Game Project Continued By Girl Scouts

The game project was continued by the Girl Scouts, Troop 23, at their regular meeting held Wednesday, December 12 at the school. Jennifer Miller was in charge of the game.

Joyce Jones served pops and candy. Scouts attending were: LaDonne Messer, Janice Cowley, Jane McCord, Jennifer Miller, Sharon Been, Euse Parish, Wanda Jenkins, Joy and Joyce Jones, one visitor, Mrs. W. T. Jones and the leader, Mrs. Kenneth Cowley.

Scout Troop 23 Has Christmas Party Wednesday

Girl Scout troop 23 met Wednesday afternoon at school for a Christmas party.

LaDonne Messer led the playing of Christmas games. The troop members exchanged Christmas gifts.

Refreshments of Christmas cookies, candy and punch was served to Jane McCord, Dixie Parish, Wanda Jenkins, Jennifer Miller, Joyce and Judy Jones, Janice Cowley, Sharon Been and LaDonne Messer and a guest, Mrs. Pete Parish and leader, Mrs. Kenneth Cowley and her assistant, Mrs. Dutch Been.

Auxiliary Christmas Party Held In Templeton Home

Mrs. Sam Templeton was hostess to the Firemen's Auxiliary in her home, Tuesday evening.

A reading, "Just Before Christmas" was given by Mrs. Ray Glasscock. Games were played. Secret pals were revealed and names were drawn for the coming year.

Refreshments of tuna sandwiches, pecan pie with whipped cream, coffee and Cokes was served from a lace covered table centered with an arrangement of red carnations flanked with red candles.

Members present included Mesdames Ervin Anderson, Harold Britton, Jerry Kelley, Carl Jones, Gene Templeton, Harold Miller, Ray Glasscock, Keith Chasteen and the hostess.

The next meeting will be January 15 in the home of Mrs. Harold Britton.

Connie Glasscock Honored With Party On 10th Birthday

Connie Glasscock was honored on her 10th birthday with a party in her home Friday afternoon.

Party games were played. Connie was presented several lovely gifts.

Birthday cake, ice cream and hot chocolate was served to Jane Randolph, Joan Murrell, Pruda Kay Sanders, Carolyn Kelley, Karen Barton, Ollie Pearl Waide, Joyce Dutton, Pamela Beasley, Bee Gee McBride, Marilyn Coker and the honoree.

Engaged—



MISS OMA LEE PORTER

Mrs. C. W. Mick of Earth announces the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Oma Lee Porter to Keith Parish, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde D. Parish of Earth.

Vows will be read December 30 in the parsonage of the Lazzbuddie Baptist Church.

NOTICE

LAYETTE SHOWER

A Layette Shower honoring Mrs. Billy Matlock, will be held Friday, January 4 at 2:00 p.m. in the Springlake Community Building. Friends are invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Black, Sammie and Danny were Littlefield visitors Tuesday.

Miss Beard To Be Bride of Seminarian

Announcement has been made of the forthcoming marriage of Miss Gwenolyn Beard, 909 Harvey, Fort Worth to Paul Gene Stockemer, 4519 Sandage St., also of Fort Worth.

The couple will be married at 4:30 p.m., December 28 in Travis Avenue Baptist Church, with a reception in the church banquet hall.

Miss Beard is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. B. C. Beard of Star route 2, Oilton, Texas. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Stockemer of Warren, Arkansas.

Miss Beard was graduated in 1954 from Baylor University and is a public school teacher here in Fort Worth. Her fiancé is a 1954 graduate of the university of Houston and is currently in his third year in the School of Theology at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

The bride elect will be honored at a shower, December 13 by Mrs. David McCubin and Misses Margie Ferguson, Peggy Morris and Shirley Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Beard were members of the Springlake faculty for the years 1954-56.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Beavers will leave Saturday for Beard, Texas to visit their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Rocky. Sunday they will go to Fort Worth to spend Christmas with their son and family. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Beavers.

EARTH BUTANE CO.
AMALIE OIL
BEAM and ENSIGN CARBURETORS
(All Types of Deliveries)
EARTH BUTANE CO.
Phone 3517

BETTY SUE by CANNON & PARISH



Let's forget all the "dirty looks" and sad events of last year. Make this an old-fashioned Christmas. Make the air tingle with the element of surprise. Scatter cheer wherever you go. The WHITE AUTO STORE wishes you an old-fashioned Merry Christmas.

- Electrical Appliances \$2.95 up
- Electric Blankets \$19.95 up
- TABLE RADIOS \$14.95 up
- RECORD PLAYERS \$25.95 up
- DISHES (Set of 4) \$6.95
- TOYS — BICYCLES — WAGONS TRICYCLES

WHITE AUTO STORE
CANNON - PARISH
"WE SERVICE WHAT WE SELL"
PHONE 4471 EARTH, TEXAS

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

That very special time of year is here again... so to all our friends and patrons—we want to say: may Santa shower you with everything your hearts desire.

COCO COLA Bottling Co.
Plainview, Texas

We truly appreciate all our dealers in this area.

LOWER FUEL COSTS AND REDUCE YOUR PUMP MAINTENANCE WITH..... STEWART and STEVENSON VERTICAL ENGINES

STEWART & STEVENSON VERTICALS CAN BE EASILY INSTALLED ON ANY MAKE TURBINE PUMP, ELIMINATING HIGHER EFFICIENCY WHICH LOWER FUEL CONSUMPTION GEAR HEADS, UNIVERSAL JOINTS, Etc., WITH RESULT-TION AND REDUCE MAINTENANCE COSTS.

B. and C. PUMP
304 Lake Avenue Littlefield

LOWEST PRICE EVER

on a **MAYTAG** automatic washer

With Trade-In
Only \$219.95
the all-new "Highlander"

You've always wanted Maytag quality. Get it now in the new low priced "Highlander."

- FULLY AUTOMATIC
- FULLY FLEXIBLE
- EXCLUSIVE GYRAFOAM ACTION
- SUDS SAVER (optional)
- MAYTAG DEPENDABILITY

yours for as little as \$2.50 a week!

THRIFTY FURNITURE
EARTH, TEXAS PHONE 4111

Christmas Party For Study Clubs Held In Anglin Home

Mrs. L. Z. Anglin was hostess to the Town and Country Study Club and the Altus Study Club in her home Thursday evening, December 13.

A Christmas program was presented, comprised of a Christmas Story, "The Little Stranger" by Mrs. Wanda Marie Haberer and Scripture readings by Jacqueline and Rebecca Parish. The "Teen Tones" vocal trio, accompanied by Miss Sue Neal at the piano, sang "White Christmas," "Star of the East," "Wedding Bells" and "Blues".

A Christmas Tree and Yule decorations were featured throughout the entertaining rooms.

From a silver service, hot tea, coffee and holiday cookies was served from a pink laid table centered by a pink feathered Christmas tree, accented with miniature angels.

Members and guests present were Mesdames B. T. Hamilton, Wanda Marie Haberer, G. C. Green, Ted Haberer, Dora Terry, Ray Kelley, Carra Morgan, Sam Cearley, J. L. Hinson, Roy Neal, J. A. Littleton, Jr., E. C. Hudson, Tommy Gattis, Doug Shelby, Norman Suleer, Richard Stockstill, Kenneth Burgess, Lynn Glasscock, Eugene Lee, Sam Bearden, John Bridges and the hostess.

Honored With Party On 10th Birthday

Rodney Kellogg was honored with a party on his tenth birthday, Thursday afternoon from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Games were played and spinning tops and coins were presented to the guests.

A birthday cake decorated in red white and blue with "Rods 10th Birthday" centered the serving table.

Cake, ice-cream and hot chocolate was served to Jerry Irvine, Don Johnson, Mark Hopkins, Mike Cannon, Bobby Sloan and Keith Wayne Chasteen.

Party Line.....

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Randolph Pat and Jane and Mrs. L. A. Glasscock spent the weekend in the home of Mrs. Glasscock's daughter, Mrs. Evelyn Smith in Graham, Texas.

Mrs. Olin Graham, Laqua and Jerry of Lubbock spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Glasscock and other friends.

Children's Xmas Party Held In F. Simmons Home

A Christmas party for the three classes of seven year olds of the First Baptist Church was held Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Forrest Simmons. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Delma McCarty, Mrs. Gardner Sanderson and Mrs. Buddy Adrian.

Mrs. Sanderson told the story of "The Littlest Angel." Games were played.

Party Cookies and hot chocolate were served to Donald Huff, Rebecca Parish, Arthur Ray Haberer, John David Watson, John Ortega, Haberer, Charles Kimbell, Lonnie Adrian, David Jaquess and four guests, Judy Jaquess, Earlene Walker, Susie Adrian and Marynell Walker.

Each child was presented a gift by his teacher.

DON'T BREATHE A WORD BUT —

by VIOLA HALL

This is it! The last week of school until next year. It will be grand even though it isn't as long as it sounds.

We have been provided with some very enjoyable entertainment by the Dimmitt and West Texas Choirs. Dimmitt came last Wednesday, which was a splendid performance. They also presented their trio of girls, who have gone a long way and received recognition by the state. The West Texas Choir with 65 voice choir was here Monday. Their performance was splendid, and they too provided us a girl trio that everyone enjoyed. It seemed that everyone really went wild over the boy's quartet. They call themselves the "Hi-Fi". They were really swell. While we are catching up on the news, I might mention the Senior pictures came in. Everyone seemed real pleased, especially since they did what they promised. They said their business was making "new" faces, and thank goodness! Seriously we did get good results.

Now to try and get a rundown on the teen-agers. To start with I'll tell you what I found out about that Carol Hamilton. Apparently Rex made it home. They were together at church Sunday morning and after the Methodist Cantata Sunday night.

Heenan Ridd is all smiles, because she ran a picture of that senior boy of Amherst, Ledford Inloe. They were together Saturday.

That must really have been a good show Sunday in Earth. Here are some of the couples that were seen there. Bobby D. Green and Linda Kelley, Francis Phipps and Macky McCarty, Gene Stephens and Janice Frather, and Carmelita Webb and Bobby Murrell.

Two couples at the Methodist Cantata Sunday night were Frank Wuerflien and Sharon Wheatley and Edward Wuerflien and Judy Kay Wood.

Sue Curtsinger and Joe Pratech tried to make up for Joe's absence part of last week by going some on the weekend. They were together Saturday at Amherst, Sunday afternoon and watched television Sunday night.

Say, Laverne Bibby, what is this Jame's last name? I just can't remember. Anyway they were together Saturday night.

Doug Loudder and Sharon Lott are seen together quite regularly. I know they were together Sunday night again.

Shirley Mitchell was with Tex Stryder Saturday and Sunday. By the way didn't he furnish your way home after school almost every day Shirley?

Edlie Curtsinger made it back home for the weekend. He had been gone to Arkansas on business. Right Jane? Jane McGeath was with him Saturday, Sunday afternoon and night.

Jean Jones and Otis Rae King seldom let us down. They were together Saturday and Sunday.

A. L. Cody has good taste. Shirley was with him Sunday night after church.

Bob Price and Jenelle Dent were Christmas shopping in Lubbock Friday. They were together Saturday and Sunday too.

Speaking of Christmas, I can hardly wait to see what Joan Elmore gets from Jerry Alexander. I have my own opinion though. They were together Wednesday, Thursday, Friday afternoon, Saturday and Sunday.

Melvin Lewis and Evelyn Clayton were together Friday, Sunday afternoon and night.

Molly Inglis and Keith Leonhart, a familiar sight now, were together Friday and Saturday.

By the way Terry Green who were the girls riding around with you and Charles Parish Saturday and Sunday?

Something new! Billie Jean Watson was with Butch Vandiver after the ballgame Thursday and Friday.

That is all I can tell you. May

Couples Class Entertained With Christmas Party In Eldon Davis Home

Mrs. Eldon Davis was hostess to a Christmas party for the couples class of the First Baptist Church in their home Friday evening.

Small Christmas gifts were exchanged among members. A gift of the revised version of the Bible was presented to Mrs. Davis, class teacher.

Alton Vaughn gave the devotional. The group sang several Christmas Carols. The entertaining rooms were decorated in the Christmas motif using the colors of red and white.

Dainty sandwiches, pie, coffee and soft drinks was served. Following the serving of refreshments, games of '42' were played. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Pete O'Hair, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Haberer, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. Roney Smith.

Mrs. J. L. Hinson Entertains Class With Yule Party

Mrs. J. L. Hinson was hostess with a Christmas party and a one o'clock luncheon in her home last Friday, for members of the Friendship Sunday School class of

Mr. and Mrs. Dewain Wheat, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Bills, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Burgett, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Layman, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Scott, Rev. Cecil Meadow and Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Davis.

the First Methodist Church. The table was laid with a green cloth centered with an arrangement of poinsettia. Yule decorations were carried out in the entertaining rooms.

Gifts were exchanged and "42" was played during the afternoon.

Members present were Mesdames Sam Cearley, Floyd Burgees, Crill Bulls, Roy Neal, Ray Axtell, J. D. Newton, Milt Ott, Clay Beavers, Tom Jones, L. Z. Anglin, Hilbert Wislan, Miss Ruby Jones and the hostess.

Mrs. David Stagers, Janie and Junie and Mrs. James Passons, Jo-lene and Carla of Pampa spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hooten.

New High Performance ON DEEP WELLS

New matched-engineering on F&W deep well pumps gives capacities and depths never before found, H.P. per H.P., on 1, 2 and 3 stage deep well jet pumps. And along with this high performance you get F&W dependability. That's assured by precision manufacture and a factory-test of pressure and capacity for every pump. There's an F&W Water System for every capacity need, every well depth. See them at your F&W dealer.



SNEED'S SUPPLY CO.

MULSEHOE, TEXAS

PHONE 4170



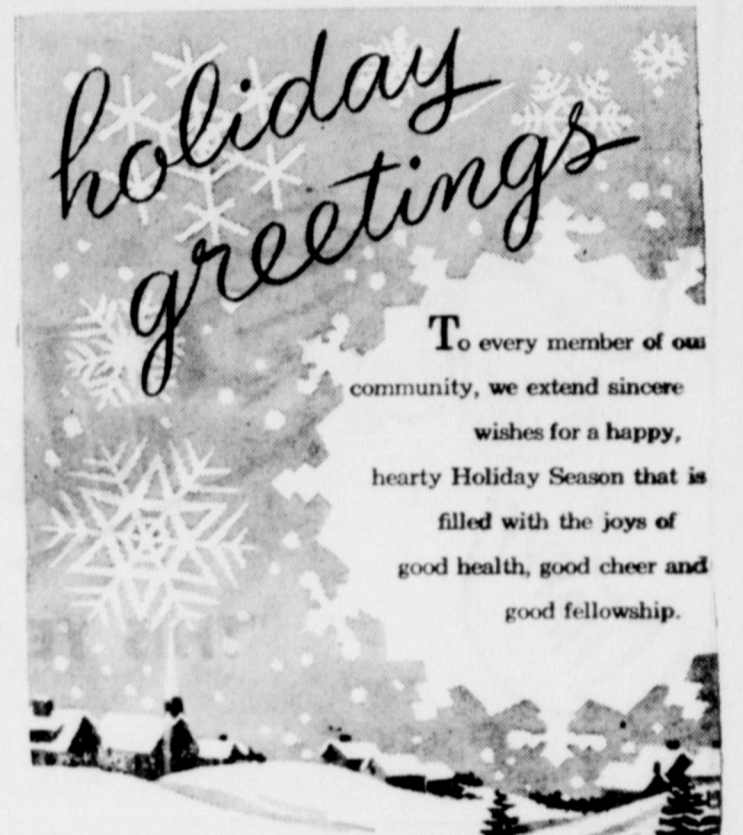
BOB CHITWOOD GROCERY

(We welcome your patronage) (Formerly Carruthers Grocery)

Springlake, Texas Phone 4812



ADRIAN FOOD EARTH LOCKER EARTH, TEXAS



CITY DRUG EARTH, TEXAS

Fleet

with Thunderbird GO

There's new power for the new kind of Ford in the great new Silver Anniversary V-8's... with new, wider horsepower ranges to meet your needs.* Or choose the new Mileage Maker Six—the world's most modern.



Low

long and light, it hugs the highway

Fairlane 500 (shown) and Fairlane models are over 17 beautiful feet long. Custom and Custom 300 models, over 16 feet. Every one of the 20 brilliant new Fords is longer, lower, roomier than ever before.



Lovely

... with beauty that's more than "skin-deep"

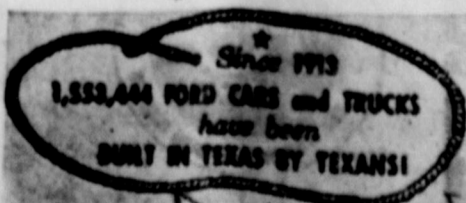
The new kind of beauty in the '57 Ford is only the lovely "complexion" over the tough and precisely co-ordinated muscles of the stronger "Inner Ford" ... that rides so silent ... so solid ... so secure!



*A special 270-hp Thunderbird 312 Super V-8 engine available at extra cost. Also, extra-high-performance Thunderbird 312 Super V-8 engine delivering up to 285 hp.

Come in and Action Test the new kind of

FORD for '57



EARTH MOTOR COMPANY

EARTH, TEXAS

PHONE 3341

Springlake Student's Faces Resembles Rudolph's Red Nose

Over 100 school students faces resemble Rudolph's red nose, due to the measles epidemic which has recently hit our community.

School nurse, Mrs. Viola Humphreys has been busy looking in throats and writing friendly notes to mother to keep Johnny home from school the next day.

There has also been several cases of mumps reported.

Parents are urged to keep their

SCHOOL NEWS

At a recent meeting of the Springlake School Board, the resignation of Thomas Ziegler was accepted for December 21.

Mr. Ziegler has been teaching Social Studies in the Junior High School.

children home if they show any signs of sore throats or anything pertaining to symptoms of measles, as this reported to be the worst epidemic in the Springlake Schools history.

There is also a large number of cases of measles among pre-school children in Earth and Springlake.

gh School. Eli Douglas will fill the vacancy of Mr. Ziegler and will assume his duties Monday, December 21.

SCHOOL PURCHASES NEW PIANO

A new Wurlitzer piano has recently been purchased for the Springlake School from the Ahlar Music Company in Lubbock.

The new piano will be used in the school auditorium and is expected to arrive this week.

COLORED SCHOOL BUILDING AND LOTS FOR SALE

It has been announced that the former Negro School building and three lots in the south part of Earth are for sale.

Funeral Services Held For Former Resident of Earth

Funeral services were held at 11:30 a.m., Wednesday at the Bellvidier Cemetery in San Angelo for Mrs. Sarah Gosa of Monroe, Louisiana.

Mrs. Gosa lived in this area a long period of time until 1951. She formerly owned the farm now owned by Jarvis Angeley.

Mrs. Gosa was well known and loved by people of this area.

NOTICE

The Olton H. H. School ex-students and ex-teachers banquet will be held, Thursday, December 27 in the school lunchroom.

Registration will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the High School Auditorium and the food will be served at 7:30 p.m.

A splendid program using a Science Fiction theme, has been arranged.

Reservations and tickets may be obtained by writing Mrs. Carol J. May, Box 98, Olton. Tickets are \$2.00 per plate.

England's King is not allowed to enter the House of Commons.

Two Cars Collide At Intersection In Earth Saturday

A minor car accident occurred on 4th st., Saturday near the Legion Hall when Mrs. Minnie Pate and O. D. Scheller's cars collided, according to Joe Ebeling.

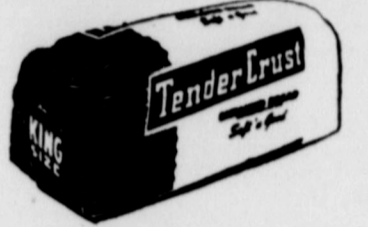
Mrs. Pate was traveling north and Scheller was traveling east, when they hit at the intersection.

Both escaped injury. Estimated damages to Mrs. Pate's car was \$500.00 and the Scheller car was reported to have an estimated damage of \$321.00.



TENDERCRUST
Large Loaf

19c



lb. 89c

RITZ CRACKERS lb. Box 33c

SUPREME CLUB CRACKERS lb. 33c

Wesson Oil
Quart 65c

BISQUICK
40 oz. 39c

MEATS

WHOLE or HALF

HAMS

POUND

49c

YOUR CHOICE of ANY BRAND

BACON

POUND

49c

FREE

ONE PACKAGE OF MEAT

With each Beef Roast Purchased at Regular Price of

49c

POUND

BABY BEEF

STEAK

LOIN or T-BONE

Lb. 59c

PORK CHOPS

2 lbs. 89c

SALT PORK

POUND

19c

LIBBY FROZEN Orange Juice
6 oz. Can
2 for 29c

SHURFRESH MARGARINE
lb. 19c

OCEAN SPRAY Cranberry Sauce
No. 300 Can 19c

LIBBY CUT BLUE LAKE Green Beans
No. 303 Can 21c

SHURFINE PUMPKIN
No. 2 1/2 Can 19c

Christmas Specials

TEXAS SELECTED Shelled Pecans

14 oz. Cello pkg

89c

LIBBY

Tomato Juice

46 oz. Can 25c

MARYLAND CLUB

COFFEE

Lb. Can 99c

GIVE FOOD
Betty Crocker
CAKE MIXES

- ANGEL FOOD 49c
- BROWNIE MIX ... 2 for 59c
- DATE BAR MIX 31c
- CHOCOLATE MALT 29c
- DEVILS FOOD 29c
- GOLDEN 29c
- HONEY SPICE 29c
- PEANUT DELIGHT 29c
- WHITE 29c

SHURFINE WHOLE PIMIENTOS

4 oz. 15c

BLUE PLATE OYSTERS

8 oz. 45c

EATMOR

CRANBERRIES 1 lb. bag 19c

CELERY HEARTS bag 25c

SUNKIST ORANGES lb. 19c

BOX of 88 \$4.50

RED POTATOES 10 lb. bag 39c

Washington State Apples lb. 21c

BOX of SIZE 64 \$7.50

DOUBLE S and H GREEN STAMPS MONDAY

PAUL'S Super Mkt.

We Will Be Closed December 25 and 26





Austin, Texas—Christmas has come to the Capitol, and all the traditions are being observed.

A mammoth 40-foot tree with hundreds of lights centers the rotunda. State employes, from the youngest clerk to the top man, gather round the huge tree once each year to sing Christmas carols.

For the first time, Gov. Allan Shivers and his family will spend Christmas in the Mansion. In the past they have gone to Sharyland, their Rio Grande Valley home. But this year they're staying here to get ready for moving... to make room for Gov.-elect Price Daniel who takes office January 15.

Sen. Daniel is working against time to get legislative and inauguration plans settled before the first of the year. Then he must go to Washington to serve two more weeks as senator.

But between being senator and getting ready to be governor, the Daniels hope to sandwich in a

simple family holiday at their Liberty ranch home.

BETTER GOVERNMENT BILLS—An extensive legislative program designed to prevent recurrence of state scandals has been unveiled.

Sixteen "better government" bills were formulated in the attorney general's department under sponsorship of the Texas Press Association. TPA's legislative committee approved the measures and has called on Texas newspapers to work for their passage.

Bills are aimed primarily at secrecy in public affairs. They would outlaw closed meetings of governmental bodies, force publication of official transactions and impose penalties for suppression of public records. Insurance companies would be required to publish financial statements at least twice a year. Names of veterans applying for land under the veterans land program would be published.

Committee members also endorsed creation of a special Travis County grand jury for state affairs.

DANIEL BACKS WATER PLAN—Gov. Elect Price Daniel will submit as emergency legislation the proposed \$100,000,000 water development fund.

Daniel said he will support this and other objectives of the Texas Water Resources Committee's program. But he said he wants to study further before making a tax recommendation.

According to committee members, the \$100,000,000 revolving fund would not require a special tax. It would be used to extend

Moon-Glow Ice Cream

By Betty Barclay



IT HAS A glowing orange color like a hot August moon, this frozen dessert made with a package of orange soft drink powder. And it's wonderful to eat—a cool heaping dish of it—during a warm evening of relaxation on the porch or in the garden. Orange ice cream makes good summer party fare, too; serve ginger cookies or butterscotch cake along with it.

Orange Frozen Dessert
1 package Orange Kool-Aid
1 cup sugar
2 cups milk
1 cup whipping cream
Dissolve soft drink powder and sugar in milk. Pour into freezing tray of refrigerator and set control for coldest freezing temperature. Freeze until mushy (¾ to 1 hour). Whip cream until stiff. Beat soft drink mixture until smooth; then fold into whipped cream, blending well. Return to freezing tray and freeze until firm (3 to 4 hours). Makes about 1½ quarts.

credit to local governments for water observation projects.

However the committee did suggest taxes to buy water storage space in federal reservoirs. Proposed levies would increase fishing licenses 50 cents and place a five per cent excise on pleasure boats and motors.

CITIES FIGHT OVER WATER—Texas' largest cities have squared off in a water rights battle that promises to surpass all others. Southern Canal Company has asked the State Water Board for a permit to withdraw 200 million gallons daily from the Trinity River for industrial use in the Houston area. Houston has indicated it is backing the company's plan.

Trinity River Authority, together with Fort Worth, Dallas and other cities using Trinity water are protesting.

Testimony before the Water Board is expected to be complex and lengthy.

WATERFALL DEFICIENT—All areas of the state are nearing the end of the year with substantially less-than-normal rainfall.

State Board of Water Engineers reports 11-months deficiencies ranging from 12 to 19 inches. Storage in major lakes continues at about 43 per cent of capacity.

DROUGHT AID EXTENDED—U. S. Dept. of Agriculture has extended from December 31 until March 15 the emergency program to help livestock owners in drought areas buy feed.

Gov. Shivers commended this decision and asked that USDA also extend grazing privileges under the soil bank program. He requested railroads to continue reduced freight rates for hay shipments to drought areas.

Cameron and Willacy Counties have been added to bring the total drought-hit counties in Texas to 238 out of 254.

SECOND WOMAN GOVERNOR—To Mrs. Neveille Molson of Navasota went the distinction of being Texas' first woman governor since Mrs. Miriam Ferguson.

Mrs. Colson's senate colleagues had named her interim president pro tempore, an office second in line to the governorship. Gov. Allan Shivers and Lt. Gov. Ramsey gallantly left the state so Mrs. Colson could have the traditional "gov-

nor for a day" honors. She proclaimed State Highway Day in recognition of one of her primary legislative interests.

SHEPPARD OFFERS AID—Atty. Gen. John Ben Sheppard will go to Tennessee next month to help defend persons charged with interfering with school integration.

Sheppard, whose term of office ends January 1, will act as a private citizen.

A federal court order has enjoined persons from interfering

with Clinton school integration by "thought, deed or word." Sheppard said he thought this "too broad."

SHORT SNORTS—There'll be a several months delay, Land Commissioner Earl Rudder has told some 13,000 veterans applying to purchase land. Money from the additional \$100,000,000 bond program voted in November will not be available until sometime between April and June. . . . USDA has upped its forecast of Texas' 1956 cotton crop to 3,610,000 bales-

a 10,000-bale increase over the November estimate. . . . Texas farmer is becoming a big operator, according to the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research from 1949-54 the number of farms decreased 12 per cent, but total area under cultivation jumped by a half million acres. Result: fewer farms, but more in the \$25,000 a year bracket. . . . Austin school authorities may ask the legislature to establish a special school for the teen-age boys who serve the lawmakers as pages. In the past, pages have missed a semester of work. . . . Newly-elected prosecuting attorneys came to Austin for a short course in state codes and procedures. Sponsors were the University of Texas School of Law and the Attorney General's Department. A course for incoming sheriffs and deputies was held simultaneously by the Department of Public Safety.

Cheerful Holiday Wishes



And if we pop up with a Yuletide wish for everybody? May your Christmas be a joyous one, remembered for years to come.

LAYMAN BROS. BUTANE
EARTH, TEXAS

A MESSAGE FOR Christmas

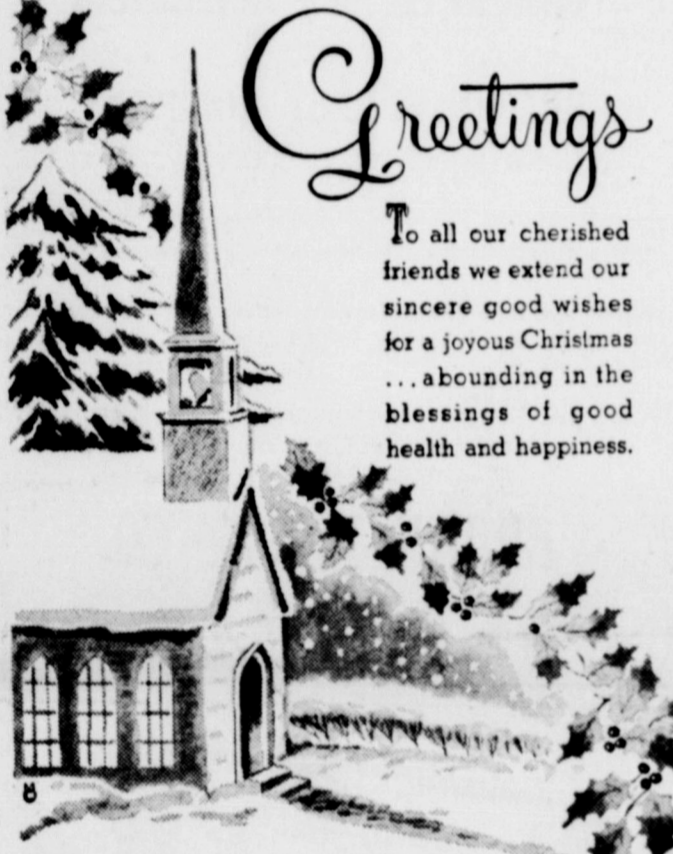


In the spirit of the first Christmas that "came upon a midnight clear" we extend our warmest greetings to you and yours.

ELLIS JEWELRY and FLORAL
EARTH, TEXAS

Greetings

To all our cherished friends we extend our sincere good wishes for a joyous Christmas... abounding in the blessings of good health and happiness.



STEPHENS and SONS HARDWARE
EARTH, TEXAS — PHONE 4121

Greetings




May your holiday season be bright with good cheer and light with good fellowship. May the happiness of the holidays be with you always...

MARKET BASKET GROCERY
EARTH, TEXAS

GOES ON... NOT IN... YOUR WALL

Dearborn's UNVENTED WALL HEATER



It hangs on the wall... burns any type gas... has Dearborn's famous COOL SAFETY CABINET.

See it... you'll love it!

DENT FARM SUPPLY
EARTH — PHOE 3191

A gay and glorious Holiday

Season is our sincere wish for all our wonderful friends.



May you enjoy peace and happiness throughout the year.

Bailey County Electric Co-op. Asso.
(A LOCALLY OWNED, MANAGED and TAX PAYING FARM ORGANIZATION)

R. C. Davis Recently Employed At Brown-White

R. C. Davis of Wilson, Texas, has recently been employed as part time bookkeeper and part time man at Brown-White Equip. Co. Prior to moving to Earth, Davis was employed at Wilson Lumber and Supply in Wilson. Mr. and Mrs. Davis and 11 year old daughter Kay, have moved into the Clinton Williams house on north 4th St. They were former residents of Earth in 1952-53.

News from— Pleasant Valley Community

by Mrs. Leroy Hicks

The P. V. Social Club's Christmas party was held Thursday night, December 13th at the community center with 22 members present.

The Christmas motif and decorations were carried out as arrangements.

Refreshments of fruit cake, coffee, hot tea, nuts and candy were served.

Following the refreshments, there was an exchange of gifts and



DOYCE TURNER, center of Pleasant Valley is State Champion and area I Champion Corn Grower. He is shown displaying his plaque received Thursday for his outstanding record as a corn grower. His yield is 168 bushels per acre. Left to right is Ben Spears, Extension Service Agronomist, Turner and Emmett Harper in charge of the Corn Division of Texas Certified Seed Producers. (Photo Courtesy of Littlefield Press)

Doyce Turner Champion Corn Grower In Area I

Doyle Turner, Pleasant Valley youth, was awarded a plaque as 1956 Champion Corn Grower in Area I, at the Springlake Lion Club meeting, Thursday.

Doyle had a yield of 168.2 bushels per acre. Doyle was also winner over all contestants producing corn under irrigation.

Doyle and his twin brother, Royce, Lamb County 4-H'ers have been setting the pace for Texas irrigated corn production the past few years. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Turner.

Other 4-H Club boys of this area who entered the contest and their yields are: Leon Collins, Earth, 166.16; Johnny Collins, Earth, 162.2; and Royce Turner, Pleasant Valley, 148.1.



By BETTY BARCLAY

Practically all adults delight in the dessert course of any meal — but sometimes mother fails to realize that baby too, enjoys his or her "dessert course" just as much as the rest of the household.

How about preparing a nutritious, delicious Lemon Egg Rennet-Custard for baby? "Junket" Rennet Desserts are so wholesome that 9 out of 10 pediatricians freely recommend them for baby's dessert. They are easier to digest than milk itself—thanks to the rennet enzyme, and will add extra milk to the infant's diet.

Rennet desserts also furnish energy for more active youngsters as well as for the grown-ups. You can easily see how nice it is to be able to make ONE dessert for the whole family. Easy to make and economical too. Here's the recipe:

Lemon Egg Rennet-Custard

- 1 egg yolk
- 2 cups milk
- 1 package lemon rennet powder

Set out 4 or 5 dessert glasses. Beat egg yolk into milk with a rotary beater until evenly distributed. Warm slowly until lukewarm, stirring constantly. Test a drop on the inside of your wrist frequently. When it feels comfortably warm (110°F.) not hot, remove at once from heat. Stir in entire contents of package at one time. Mix until powder is dissolved—not over one minute. Pour at once, while still liquid, into glasses. Do not disturb while milk sets—about 10 minutes. Chill. Top with whipped cream, fruit or nuts for adults if desired.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Newton spent the weekend in Pecos, Texas with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Davis and boys.

—PL—
Roney Smith, Donald Kelley and Dewain Wheat returned home, Thursday from London, Texas where they had been deer hunting. They brought back one deer.

Saccharin is derived from coal-tar.

WINTERIZE YOUR HOME

WITH DUST PROOF

ALUMINUM STORM WINDOWS AND DOORS

STOPS DUST — STOPS WINDOW SWEATING
STOPS COLD

WINDOWS TRIPLE WEATHER STRIPPED
DOORS WEATHER STRIPPED

For Free Estimate Call 6874 or Write Box 931

CRUMP'S STORM WINDOWS AND DOOR CO.

CLOVIS, NEW MEXICO

Texas School Bus Drivers Set Safety Record

AUSTIN, Texas — Texas' 7,500 school bus drivers, who, in driving \$2,000,000 miles annually, consistently set the state's best safety record, drew a salute here today.

The Texas Railroads adopted a resolution lauding the diligence and good deeds

and good judgement with which the drivers protect the lives of Texas children.

Pointing out that the school bus drivers' record is seldom accorded the recognition it is due and that it is a wonderful example for other persons using the highways, the resolution set out that a bus is listed in an accident report only on an average of once in every 410,000 miles. That is a distance equal to 16 times around the world at the equator.

This record has held for the

last five years, during which the school buses have traveled 410,000,000 (million) miles in transporting children to and from school.

They annually travel \$2,000,000 (million) miles, a distance equal to 3,250 times around the equator.

It was also noted that in more than half of the accidents listed that the bus actually was not involved in the collision; that cars and trucks were hit either behind the school buses or in going around them.

The Texas law requires that when school buses are loading or discharging passengers all vehicles approaching from either direction come to a full stop.

FOR THE BEST

ENGINEERED IRRIGATION SYSTEM

IN BOTH
CONCRETE and ALUMINUM
SEE
BROWN SUPPLY COMPANY

AT ONE OF ITS CONVENIENT LOCATIONS

Brown Supply Company is now giving a 5 year guarantee on all Concrete Pipe Systems.

We are also for a limited time only offering a Special Discount on ALCOA Standard Wall Aluminum Pipe in all lengths.

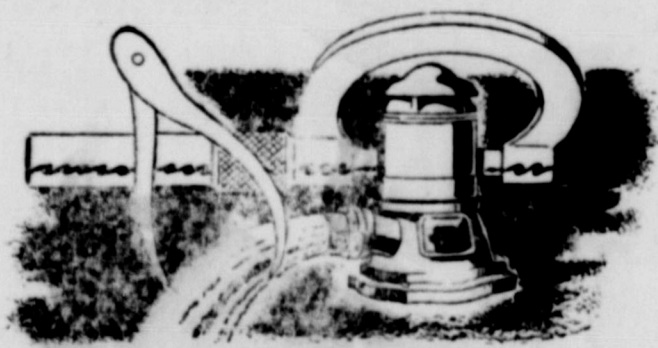
Before you buy your next irrigation System contact one of our capable Engineers for a free estimate.

BROWN SUPPLY CO.

LITTLEFIELD MULESHOE
Box 602 — Phone 479 Box 357 — Phone 2700

Christmas
May the ancient gleam
of the Eastern Star
brighten your heart on
Christmas Day.

MULESHOE JEWELRY



Job Tested

... prior to shipment

Every Layne pump is not only designed and engineered for a specific job, but is performance tested before it is shipped. This pre-testing of a Layne pump is one of the many reasons why Layne pumps have won the overwhelming endorsement of agriculture, industry and municipalities.

On any question that relates to water, "ask the man from Layne."



VERTICAL TURBINE PUMPS

SNEED'S SUPPLY CO.

MULESHOE, TEXAS

PHONE 4170

Patsy Angeley is recuperating from the measles in the South Plains Hospital in Muleshoe.

Mrs. Kenneth Briscoe was treated Monday afternoon in the South Plains Hospital with a badly cut finger.



BERKELEY 2-STAGE JET PUMP!

Here's a line of Berkeley jet pumps that will really solve your pressure problems... either get down to the 300 ft. level or push water up a long hill day in and day out.

Take a look at the 5 H.P. Model with capacities to 1320 G.P.M. from 120 ft. with 112 lbs. pressure! Or a 1 1/2 H.P. Model that delivers 400 G.P.M. from 150 ft. at 30 lbs.

E. R. Hart Company

MULESHOE, TEXAS

ABSOLUTELY



1-GENERAL ELECTRIC STEAM IRON WITH ADJUSTABLE
IRONING TABLE

EASY
TERMS

ALSO

A TOY NECCHI MACHINE

With The Purchase Of

A NECCHI SEWING MACHINE

WE ALSO HAVE A
NEW PORTABLE ELECTRIC

SEWING MACHINE

WITH A 20 YEAR GUARANTEE

SATURDAY and MONDAY ONLY

49.⁹⁵



SAVE MORE by Shopping Here ..

SEE US BEFORE YOU BUY A SEWING MACHINE-TV or APPLIANCE

Harvey Bass Appliance

MULESHOE, TEXAS

home,
Texas
hunting
er.
m coal



LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:
Please remember us this year on Christmas Eve, with some toys, candy and fruit. We've been pretty good-most of the time. If you have enough toys, please bring us football shoulder pads and helmet, and just anything else. Also an electric mixer like mummies and something else for a little girl. Be sure to remember all the other little boys and girls. Hope you have had the measles, cause we will probably still be sick then.
Lots of Love,
Danny and Sharla Sue Haberer

bring me a doll and a cradle where I can rock it to sleep, please don't forget little Dale he wants a tricycle a gun belt and two guns. We will leave some cake and sweet milk on the table for you.
Viola Lynn and Robert Dale Gilmore

Dear Santa Claus:
This Christmas I would like you to bring me a pretty new doll. And some skates. And bring me a make up kit. I would like a bicycle too. And bring me a nurse kit to And I have been a good girl all year.
Your friend
Debbie Barton

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a note book Christmas. I have a pretty Christmas tree. I want a do that shakes and nods her head. I want a ice box. I want

a electric stove. I want a washer. I want a sink. Don't forget my twin brothers and sister and all the other boys and girls.
Love Carolyn Hucks

Imacio Merry Christmas
Dear Santa:
I like to gun and 2 car and B B gun and a ball to and a little bus.

Dear Santa Claus:
If you have a toy please bring me a B B gun. Please bring me a football suit. Please bring me a cowboy suit.

Love Arthur
I think I been good.
Arthur Ray Haberer

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like a B B gun. I would like some guns.

I been a good boy.
Love Daniel

Dear Santa Claus:
I like to have some skates and a walking doll. I like a baby bed please bring me the things I wrote down.

Love Alice

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a Tiny Tears doll. Please bring me some skates Please bring me a bicycle.

I thank you
I think I have ben a good girl.
Velma Jo Black
Please see the other boys and Girls.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a Betsy Wetsy doll. I think I have been a good girl.

Love Johnni Lynn Carley

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a diaper bag set a ballerina doll a typewriter and a bake set. I have lost 8 pounds on my diet. I think I have been a good girl.

Love
Diana McNamara

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like to have a Roy Rogers gun and a cowboy suit. Thank you.

Your Friend
Joe Puente

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like to have a B B gun I wish I had a bat and ball.

Love Dwayne

Dear Santa Claus:
I think I have been a good girl. I hope you visit me on Christmas Eve. I would like to have a bride doll in a suit case and a bicycle.

Thank You
Love Bargara

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like to have some skates. I would like to have a big wagon please. I would like to have a Tiny Tears doll please.

I think I have been a good girl.
Thank You
Your Friend
Kathie Brown

Party Line...

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Glasscock shopped in Clovis, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Williams and Stacie visited his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Glasscock and girls, Friday. They were enroute to their home in Archer City, Texas, from visiting her parents in Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Knight and boys shopped in Amarillo, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Sloan and Bobby were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hooten.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sawyer and Mrs. B. L. Skinner of Springlake were in Lubbock on business, Monday.

Shirley O' Hair, student at A. C. C. at Abilene is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert O'Hair, Jr.

J. P. Stine and Bob of Plainview and David Johnson and Don spent the weekend in Monte Vista and Alamosa, Colorado attending to business.

FOR SALE TWO-BEDROOM HOUSE in EARTH

See C. H. LEMMONS
Thrifty
Furniture Mart

Party Line... Eighth Grade Class Has Skating Party

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Chasteen and children spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Jones in Lubbock.

Visitors in the Pat Montgomery home Sunday were, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Leonhart, Keith and Charlene, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Beasley and Pam and Mrs. David Johnson and Ronnie, Patty Mann and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Qualls and D. Lynn of Wolforth.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sawyer and family will leave Thursday to spend the Christmas holidays with her brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith and Richard Smith of Kernville, California.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Weaver were Littlefield visitors Wednesday.

Mrs. Jim Morris and Anita Louie returned home Sunday after a three weeks visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Willard Wilson at Holdenville, Oklahoma. Mrs. Wilson has been ill, but is much improved at this time.

Party Line.....

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Sanders have purchased a new 1957 Chev.

Mrs. Jim Morris and Anita Louie returned home Sunday after a three weeks visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Willard Wilson at Holdenville, Oklahoma. Mrs. Wilson has been ill, but is much improved at this time.

AMONG THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Mickey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cowley is reported to be suffering from the measles. Mickey is improving.

Neal Knight is also reported to have the measles, and is steadily improving. Neal is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clytie Knight.

Anita Sharon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert O'Hair Jr. is con-

finned to her home suffering from measles.

Mrs. Orin Parrish reports their three children are all confined to their home with the measles.

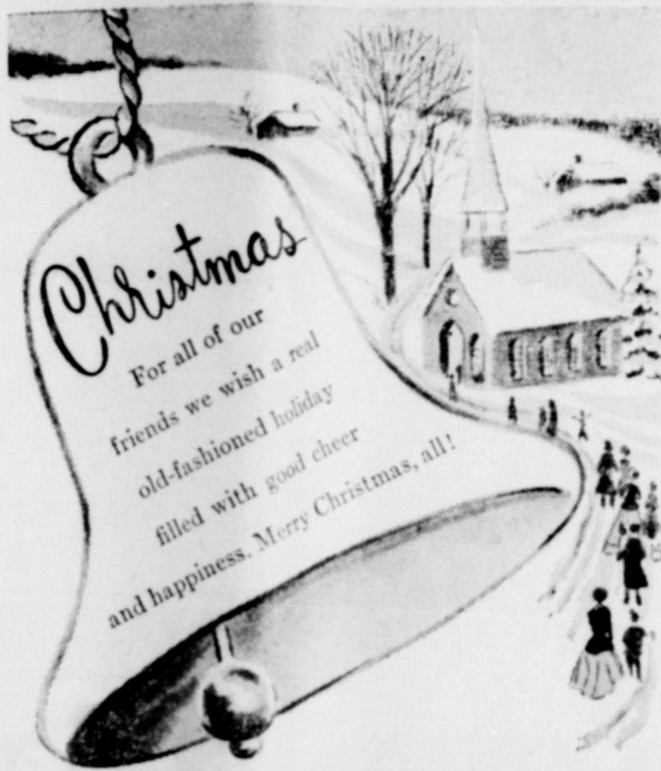
Dianna McNamara, daughter of Mrs. Lorene McNamara is reported to have the measles.

Party Line.....

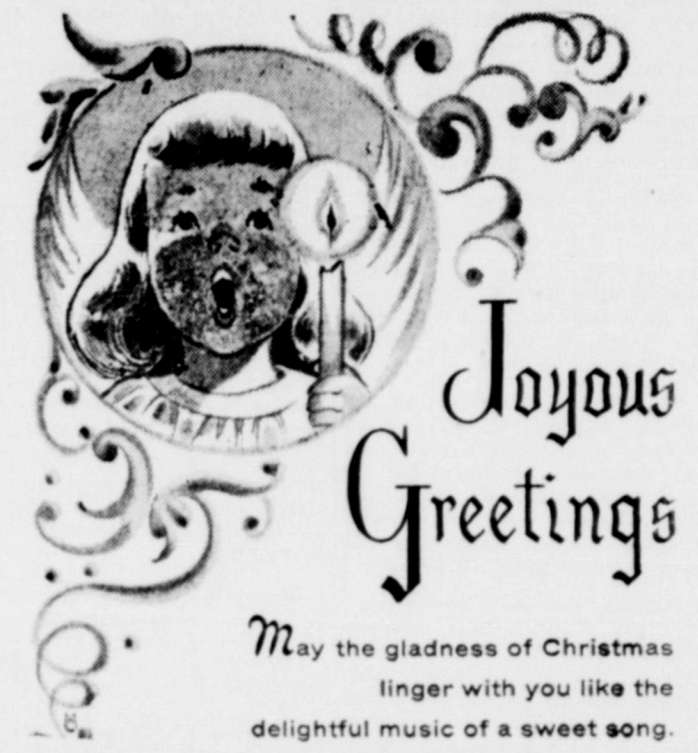
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Glasscock, LaRue and Connie shopped in Lubbock, Monday afternoon. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Olin Graham.

NOTICE

EARTH CEMETERY ASSOCIATION MEETING
A meeting of the Earth Cemetery Association will be held Friday night, December 21st at 7:30 P. M. in the community Building. It is important that everyone who owns lots or who is interested in the cemetery be present at this meeting.
DIRECTORS of EARTH CEMETERY ASSOCIATION
By Marshall Kelley



A. D. TAYLOR INSURANCE
EARTH, TEXAS



D and C GARAGE
EARTH, TEXAS

REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD USE

MATHIESON



AMMO-PHOS FERTILIZERS

16-20-0 13-39-0 11-48-0

- ECONOMY** — You save time and money in storing, handling and spreading high analysis pelletized AMMO-PHOS because it contains up to 2½ times more plant nutrients than most other fertilizers. Compare plant food values.
- STORABILITY** — AMMO-PHOS occupies only half as much of your valuable storage space. Pellets will not lump or cake if stored in a dry place. Buy ahead with confidence. AMMO-PHOS will be in excellent condition when you need it.
- SOLUBILITY** — All guaranteed plant food in AMMO-PHOS are completely soluble in water. The method of compounding keeps the phosphorus available longer.
- DRILLABILITY** — No sticking or bridging when you drill with AMMO-PHOS. The pellets are dry and free-flowing — provide easier, more even distribution in the field without bothersome dust. Airplane application is simplified.

- CHEMICAL UNIFORMITY** — There's no spotty feeding with AMMO-PHOS. Each pellet has a uniform content of the major plant foods . . . the same guaranteed analysis . . . because AMMO-PHOS is chemically compounded. Each plant receives the same proportions of plant foods, resulting in uniform high yields.
 - AVAILABILITY** — AMMO-PHOS gives you quick-acting, non-leaching nitrogen . . . the most available phosphorus you can buy . . . and potash to fit your soil requirements. The pellets retard the rate of reversion of phosphorus by clay in the soil . . . give plants a quick, healthy start and feed through to a successful, big-yield maturity.
- PLUS ADEQUATE SULPHUR — All grades of AMMO-PHOS contain adequate sulphur in addition to the major plant foods. This important plant food element is another bonus factor when you use Mathieson High Analysis Pelletized AMMO-PHOS.

(Crops Fertilized With Mathieson Has Made State For The Past Few Years)

FARM CHEMICAL CO.

SPRINGLAKE — PHONE 4813



Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Lemmons
THRIFTY FURNITURE
EARTH, TEXAS



EARTH BUTANE CO.
EARTH, TEXAS

Water Held Vital To Texas Growth

EDITORS NOTE: This story was clipped from the Fort Worth Star Telegram and should be well studied and considered.

Littlefield—Otha F. Dent of the Texas City Board of Water Engineers says cities which will have adequate water in the future are those which are planning ahead now.

But, said Dent, "the city that has an adequate water supply now and for the foreseeable future is an exception rather than the rule."

And he said only water, or the lack of it will determine the future population and industry of Texas.

"Cities, like almost everything else in human experience," said Dent in a statement, "fall into two categories: Those that recognize the need for additional water supplies and are doing something about it, and those that only recognize the need; or in this case,

"Some of our towns have not alert ones and compunct ones, yet felt the pinch of water rationing or other related contemporary phenomena, and consequently have not begun to look into the future to anticipate growth and resultant demand.

"It seems incredible that, despite all the publicity being given to water and to those cities that are vigorously searching for future water supplies, there are some who still feel that a water shortage is one problem they will never have to face," he said.

"During the past century, urban per capita water use increased from less than 50 gallons per day to 145 gallons. This figure includes the water used for fire protection, certain small community enterprises and street flushing, but does not include water used by industry.

TREND TO CONTINUE

"Household automation has also

REPAIR AND SERVICE

**PEERLESS PUMP
BROWND - WHITE
EQUIPMENT**



By BETTY BARCLAY

Here is a milk dessert that's easier to digest than milk itself. And no wonder. Only "Junket" Rennet-Custard contains the exclusive rennet enzyme ingredient which works like magic.

And how bab will love smooth, refreshing rennet-custards! They are pure, fresh milk desserts that come in seven delicious flavors—raspberry, vanilla, orange, lemon, strawberry, chocolate and maple.

So easy to make, too. Why it's almost instant! Just stir rennet powder into lukewarm (not hot) milk and let it set.

So simple to make today, and you'll be making a good start toward developing his good eating habits from infancy on up to the older years.

Warm milk carefully until it is just lukewarm. Put a drop on the inside of your wrist just as you test baby's bottle. The milk should be comfortably warm, but not hot. Remove from heat. Stir in rennet powder until dissolved—not over 1 minute. Pour at once while still liquid into 1 to 3 custard cups (depending on baby's appetite). Let stand 10 minutes until thick. Top with strained peaches before serving. Rennet-custard may be served right after making or may be chilled until meal time.

had its part in increasing the per family use of water and until the last time saving appliance is installed, this upward trend in water use will continue," the board member said.

Dent said, "the well designed municipal water supply system of 12 to 15 years ago very likely is inadequate to meet present demands."

Caught in a four way squeeze between fast-growing population increasing per capita demand lack of finances and prolonged drought, countless communities have been face to face with the realities of an inadequate water supply system, Dent said.

From the cross road communities to the great metropolitan areas there are approximately 3,200 population centers in Texas, and included in that number are about 800 incorporated cities.

"The magnitude of Texas," said Dent, "is measured by its great distance and manifold extremes. From the humid east to the arid west and from the northern high places to the coastal Rio Grande population centers face problems not only for their number but also for their diversity.

ONE BASIC PROBLEM

"Yet with all their diversities and variations there is one basic and fundamental problem in common to all the population centers:

"Need of water."

Dent declared that water sets the pattern for human activity.

"With the state's population increasing at a rate of a quarter of a million each year, only water will set the limit on the state's ability to absorb this increase in population and its accompanying industry. It will be the one factor determining whether the additional population and the accompanying industry will be retained by the state or

will look elsewhere to more favorable areas."

"When the books are balanced on the state's economy, the presence or absence of water will be the determining factor as to whether a community, town or city

will be an asset or liability."

Dent said that "the immediate problem in the minds of all city officials is the assurance of an adequate water supply to their inhabitants now and in the future."

NOTICE

My Expression Classes Will Begin Again
The First Saturday In January

MRS. HORACE McADAMS

**ALWAYS Come To
BEAVERS AUTO PARTS**
Where You Can Get What You Want
AND WHEN YOU WANT IT
AND LIKE YOU WANT IT
WE HOPE

BEAVERS AUTO PARTS

EARTH, TEXAS

PHONE 3851

CHRISTMAS

Greetings

THESE SPECIALS GOOD DECEMBER 21 THROUGH 24th

We Will Be Closed, December 25-26

WHITE SWAN

COCOANUT 4 oz. Can 15c

KIMBELLS

STRAWBERRY PRESERVES .. 20 oz. Jar 39c

CAMPFIRE

MARSHMALLOW CREME 6 1/2 oz. Jar 19c

WHITE SWAN

MINCE MEAT 9 oz. pkg. 23c

Cranberry Sauce KIMBELLS 1 lb. Can 2 for **35c**

CAN BISCUITS 2 for 25c

DEL MONTE

CRUSHED PINEAPPLE No. 2 Can 29c

POWDERED SUGAR 2 boxes 25c

Dromedary DATES 8 oz. pkg. 19c

KIMBELLS

POP CORN 2 lb. Bag 29c

Gladiola Cake Mix Box 25c

Shelled Pecans ELLIS Pieces 12 oz. **89c**

MAXWELL HOUSE

INSTANT COFFEE 6 oz. Jar \$1.29

HUNTS

FRUIT COCKTAIL No. 2 1/2 can 37c

WHITE SWAN

Cream Style Corn No. 303 Can 2 for 29c

Bake-Rite Shortening 3 lb. Can 79c

MIRACLE WHIP

SALAD DRESSING Quart 59c

KING KO WHOLE

PEELED APRICOTS No. 2 1/2 Can 29c

TABLE READY

OLEOMARGARINE lb. 19c

Del Monte Sweet Peas 303 Can 23c

MEAT BUYS

for Thrifty meals

CORN KING

SLICED BACON lb. 49c

PICNIC HAMS lb. 35c

PORK SAUSAGE 2 lb. Sack 55c



FRESH COCOANUT 2 for 25c

LARGE

STALK CELERY each 15c

FRESH CRANBERRIES lb. 23c

LARGE GOLDEN

FRUIT BANANAS lb. 15c

Monday Will Be Double Stamp Day

PATTERSON BROS. GRO.

For Free Delivery - Phone 3431

Earth, Texas

+ SUNSET +

THURSDAY - FRIDAY

**Hold Back
The Night**

JOHN PAYNE
MONA FREEMAN

SATURDAY

The Beast

of Hollow Mountain

Starring
GUY MADISON
in CinemaScope

SUNDAY MONDAY

"Rogers and Hammerstein's
CinemaScope 55

Carousel

starring
GORDON McCRAE
SHIRLEY JONES

TUESDAY

The Solid Gold

Cadillac

JUDY HOLLIDAY
PAUL DOUGLAS

WEDNESDAY
BONUS NIGHT

FRANK SINATRA
DEBBIE REYNOLDS

The Tender

Trap

CinemaScope

THURSDAY - FRIDAY

RORY CALHOUN
BARBARA RUSH

in

Flight To

Hong Kong

+ EARTH +

THURSDAY

CLOSED

FRIDAY

"Horror beyond belief"

The Beast Of

Hollow Mountain

GUY MADISON

CinemaScope

SATURDAY

DOUBLE FEATURE

Santa Fe

Passage

Starring
JOHN PAYNE
ROD CAMERON

—PLUS—

Zanzabuku

SUNDAY - MONDAY

Th Solid Gold

Cadillac

Starring
JUDY HOLLIDAY
PAUL DOUGLAS

A Columbia Picture

TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY

In the complete grandeur of
CinemaScope 55

Color by De Luxe

Darryl F. Zanuck
presents

Roger and Hammerstein's

The King and I

Starring
DEBORAH KERR
YUL BRYNNER

THURSDAY

CLOSED

Merry Christmas

SECTION
"B"

The NEWSpaper Dedicated to the Development of the World's Richest Irrigation Area

The Earth News - Sun

SECTION
"B"

A CONSOLIDATION OF THE EARTH NEWS and EARTH SUN, OCTOBER 12, 1956

VOLUME NO. 3

TEN CENTS

EARTH, LAMB COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1956

8 PAGES

NUMBER 19



LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa: I have been a good girl and Donna and Sherry have too. We live in Earth, Texas in a tan house. We have a boxer puppy that bites a little, but not hard.

dio and Donna wants a bicycle.

Jolly Wishes
A cheery Holiday wish for happiness and good health for all of our friends.

GERALD'S Barber Shop
EARTH, TEXAS

FOR CHRISTMAS: A Fanciful Candy Chain



THIS CHRISTMAS, deck your fireplace with a chain that's jolly, made of a variety of colorful candies that go hand-in-hand with seasonal evergreens, mistletoe and holly. As shown above... shortly after starting, grown-ups and youngsters too, can make a chain several feet long. Here's how: Pull out from a queen size roll... a 3" strip of clear plastic wrap and spread it out on a table. At 2" intervals, place a piece of candy. Then fold over wrap and twist between each piece of candy to lock them all in place. Wrap a bit of colored or clear cellophane tape between each piece and your first link is complete. Join links together with same tape to make a saram-candy chain long enough to decorate your fireplace, Christmas tree, entrance ways or rooms. Moisture proof, the chain can also be hung outdoors and best of all... the children can eat its contents when the holidays are past.

Please bring him a rubber bone. His name is Champ.

Love
Jan Scott

Dear Santa Claus: I would like a ballerina doll. And I would like a ring and a watch. One of my brothers wants a bicycle and a road grader with a top on it and he wants a shovel too. My second brother would like a dump truck and a cattle truck and some cattle. We would like

an inter com set. Thank you.

Love
Nancy, Jimmy, Johnny
Eddie Alair

Dear Santa: I would like to have a little doll with some clothes that walks on high heels. I would also like a set of little dishes with food also a nurse set. Bobby wants a steam shovel and a road grader, a tractor and a

little tricycle. We have been pretty good but we are sorry for what we have done wrong.

With Love and Care
Jenny and Bobby Angeley
Earth, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a caterpillar and a printing set and some candy, nuts and fruit and gum.

Love
Jerry Anderson

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a tricycle and some candy and nuts and fruit.

Love, Joy

Dear Santa Claus:

This line is just to said you hel-lo and please bring some toys for me. And my little sister. I like dolls and a little bear. I live 4 miles north from Earth. Please don't forget me on Christmas day and I wait my toys.

Thanks
Estela Reyes
Rt. 2

I have 7 years old please bring me some toys because I don't have any.

Dear Santa: Please bring me a Tiny Tears doll, a doll buggy and a little table and chairs and bring the other little kids something.

Love
Sandra Henderson
Earth, Texas

Dear Santa:

I'm a little girl six year old, and for Christmas I want a ballerina doll, piano, baking set and a makeup set. Also bring my brother, who is nine, a football, helmet and shoulder pads. A remote controller on

and Roy Rogers guns. And Santa please don't forget any little girls or boys. We love you lots.

Love,
Wayne and Janice Chasteen
Box 565, Earth, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:

This lines is just to said you hel-lo and please bring some toys for

me and my little sisters. For me I like to have a pair of cowboy guns or wagon and my sister she like to have a tea set or a doll. I live 4 miles north from Earth. Please don't forget me on Christmas day and I wait my toys.

Thanks
Joe Luis Reyes
Rt. 2, Earth, Texas

I have 6 years old and my little sister has 3 years.



Our heartfelt greetings to all our friends. May they be blessed with peace, health, and good cheer.

PERKINS GARAGE
SPRINGLAKE, TEXAS

Season's Greetings

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

Earth Motor Co.



As old as our faith, as young as our hopes, is the spirit of Christmas. May it once more lift your heart, lighten your cares and brighten every corner of your life. May its infinite joy and glorious promise abide with you and your loved ones... now and always.

Watson Bros. Butane

SPRINGLAKE, TEXAS



WELL, NATCH: How else would you expect Santa to be tired while in Bermuda? And judging by the upward glances of these youngsters, St. Nick's dress to them is as natural as Christmas, and presents, and all the turkey one can eat. And those knee-length shorts are right in style (and comfortable, too) during December in this mid-Atlantic colony.

The Story Of Christmas

Just after the shortest day in the year, when the earth begins to turn its northern hemisphere toward the sun, more than half the nations of the globe celebrate Christmas—the birthday of Jesus Christ. No other festival brings so much happiness to so many persons, and no other holiday is so widely observed the world around. "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men," is its inspiring message.

The exact date of Jesus' birth is not known, and for 200 years or more, while Christians lived in the shadow of persecution, the church had no Christmas celebration. Soon after A.D. 200 the new feast was being observed on various dates—especially January

6, March 25, and December 25. By the middle of the fourth century, the Western church was nearly everywhere celebrating it on December 25. Later the Eastern church accepted this date.

In England this festival came to be called Christes masse (Christ's Mass), because a special mass was celebrated on that day. The French name Noel, the Spanish Natividad, and the Italian Natale mean simply "birthday." The Germans call the season Weihnachten, which means "holy nights."

Old as our Christmas festival is, many of our customs and ceremonies associated with it are far older. They got their start thousands of years before the Christian era, for our pagan forefathers used to celebrate the winter solstice as the birthday of the sun. The wise fathers of the church gave the ancient festival a new meaning and Christmas it has well been said is "like a big sieve in which everything that is most beautiful, most significant

'Neath The Mistletoe

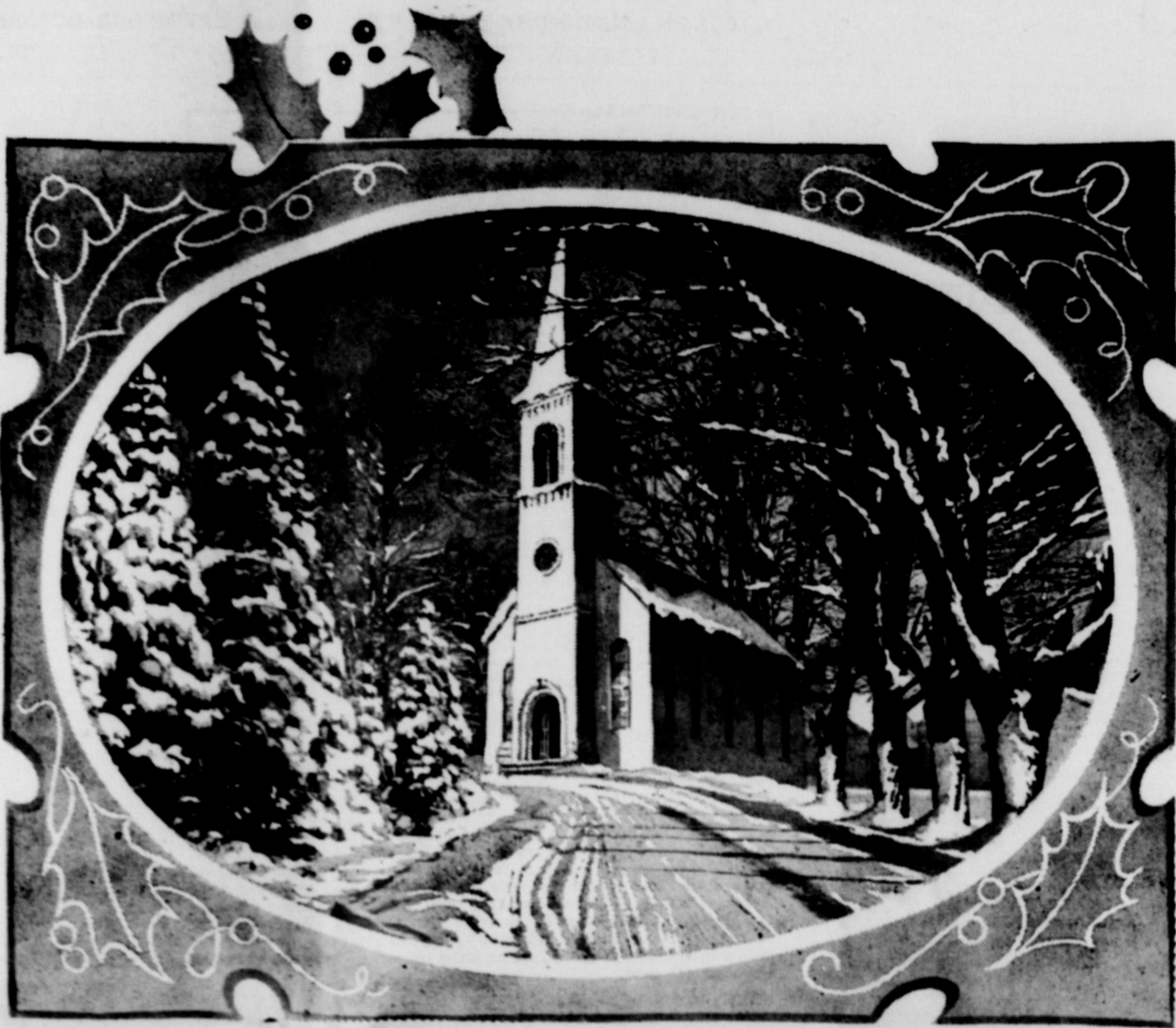
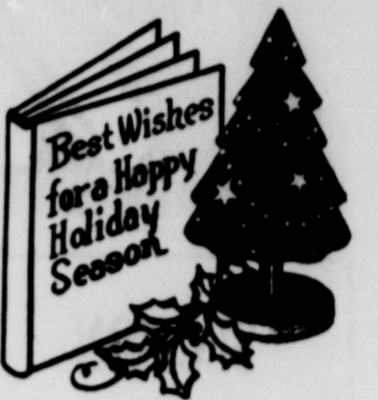
Did you ever hear this story of the origin of the custom of kissing most potent, and most lively, both in heathendom and in Christendom, remained, while all that was small and trivial and outlived fell through and blew away. It became the great festival of the entire year, the day of greatest significance which attracted ceremonies which had disappeared and were forgotten.

down to us from Scandinavian mythology. Balder, the Scandinavian Apollo, had been charmed by his mother against all injuries from fire, water, air and earth. But his ancient enemy, Loki, the bad one, fashioned an arrow out of mistletoe. Being a parasite, it did not spring from any of the above elements. Balder was severely wounded by the mistletoe weapon, and was only brought back to health by the efforts of all gods. Balder's mother decreed that the mistletoe plant should never again be used as a weapon. She was so grateful for her son's recovery, she promised to kiss anyone who passed beneath the branch of mistletoe. And so it is, a man may demand a kiss

Yule Log And Boar's Head Are Not Used Here

The Yule Log, a great block of oak, was brought in with care of a maiden as she stands beneath the mistletoe at Christmas, but he must give her one of the berries. When the berries are gone, the mistletoe loses its spell, and kissing is over — except on a mutual basis. —From 1001 Christmas Facts and Fancies.

mony on Christmas Eve and every Christmas banquet. The custom still survives at vices College, Oxford. The boar's head procession goes back to the days when the northern people believed that the spirit which made grain grow (the "corn spirit") was embodied in the hog. So at Yule they sacrificed and ate a boar to bring good crops. In Scandinavian countries, the boar is now represented by little cakes or loaves baked in the shape of a pig. In medieval England a boar's head was brought in with ceremony at



JIM COX JACK COX
MANGERS

R. A. Bradley — Jim Burkhead — Neoma Jackson
Ray Brashers — Gene English — J. C. Dalton
Charles Lambson — Jim Lumpkin — Mrs. G. S. Sanders
Ray Wrinkle — Robert Murray — Ben Mastelles
W. A. Bishop — Curtis Browder — Lloyd Spies

PERSONEL OF
FRY & COX BROS.
MULESHOE, TEXAS

THANKS!

For a Wonderful
Season, Your Faithful
Patronage has been
Appreciated.

(We will look forward
to seeing you again
Next Season)

Christmas Greetings

In the spirit of an old-fashioned
Yuletide...warm with good fellowship and
rich in friendship...we wish you the Season's
heartiest greetings. May your Holidays
abound with good health and high happiness
and leave you with a treasure trove of bright
memories to cherish through the year ahead.

Pleasant Valley Gin

PLEASANT VALLEY

Central Compress & Warehouse

SUDAN, TEXAS

Day After Christmas Is Boxing Day

The day after Christmas is Saint Stephen's Day in the church. But it is commonly known in England as Boxing Day, because of the custom of bestowing Christmas boxes containing money on servants, tradesmen, and various people who render services to the public. Of Roman

origin, it is a feature of the old English Christmas season which still persist today. Epiphany, or Twelfth Day, was also a day of gift giving. In memory of the Magi, or Three Kings, the English monarch used to present at the altar gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. On that day, too, friends exchanged gifts. As a day of festival Twelfth Day was second only to Christmas. One feature of the entertainment was a huge cake containing a bean.

Party Line.....

Mr. and Mrs. Carlis Billis, Gary and Carla of Lovington, New Mexico spent the weekend with their parents.

Christmas Wishes

Our warmest wishes to you and your dear ones for a joyous Holiday.



LOTT WELDING SHOP
SPRINGLAKE, TEXAS

MERRY CHRISTMAS



May the happiness of Christmas abide in your home and in your heart now and throughout the gladsome Holiday Season.

SPRINGLAKE BEAUTY SALON
Phone 4702

Listening For Health



Photo by Louis Schwartz

Maybe it tickles, but he knows it's worth the trouble to find out he's healthy. Health education programs of your tuberculosis association financed by the Christmas Seal Sale teach young and old how to stay well and fight off TB. The 50th annual Christmas Seal Sale will continue through December.

Busy Schedule For Linda Eberidge At Wayland College

Preview — Linda Eberidge, "Earth" will have a busy time at Wayland College between now and December 21.

All Wayland College students will take part in or hear the comparatively recent presentation of Handel's "Messiah", December 8. On December 18, the Wayland International Chorus' production of the Christmas operas "Amahl and the Night Visitors", will be staged. Climaxing various observances of the holiday season will be the all-college Christmas Dinner and Party, sponsored by the Student Government Association, December 29. All-college favorites will be announced at that time.

Students will also be attending the services of the annual Campus Revival December 16-17, when Dr. R. J. Robinson, pastor of First Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga., will be visiting Wayland.

A daughter of the Methodist Church, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Eberidge, Earth, who is a 1954 graduate of Springlake High School, seeking the B. S. degree, she continues to be a teacher.



May the season bring life's brightest ornaments—the Joy of Loving, the Fun of Giving.

(We will be closed December 25-26)

EARTH CLEANERS

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Donald

IT'S THE LAW in TEXAS

LAW OF NATIONS

You will find strange words in the U. S. Constitution: "Congress has the power to define and punish piracies and felonies committed on the high seas, and offences against the law of nations." No man owns the high seas, and no nation rules it. So that when a crime like piracy takes place, the law does not look upon it as against any one nation, but against the law of nations.

For centuries, all maritime nations have had the right under international law to capture on the high seas persons guilty of piratical acts and to punish them.

Piracy is an international crime, but each country punishes it under its own laws. Any nation has the right and duty to police the high seas, and any pirate loses the protection of the flag he may be flying.

As one court put it, the pirate is "treated as an outlaw, as an enemy of all mankind."

How far this idea of the "enemy of mankind" may go, is now a question before world opinion.

The Treaty of Versailles, for example, held that Germans who had broken the law and customs of war should go to trial before the courts of the victors.

Though World War I Germans did not do so, those of World War II faced trial and were convicted at Nuremberg. The right of victors to try war criminals has been warmly debated ever since.

Where did we get the idea that there is a law of nations?

It comes to us through centuries of international trade, commerce, war and treaty making. Chiefly it came down through Roman law, and found expression in the belief that God promulgated a law of nature through man's reason which is binding on men and nations.

More salt is present in the Atlantic than in the Pacific Ocean.

Pure radium resembles common table salt.



Season's Greetings

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

O. C. McBRIDE and SONS GIN

EARTH — PLEASANT VALLEY

Holiday Greetings

May this Holiday Season bring you everything you want most.

BUSBY MOTOR CO.
SPRINGLAKE, TEXAS

From All of Us to You and Yours...

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



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

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

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

Pioneer Natural Gas Company
FUEL FOR A GROWING EMPIRE

Giving Presents Goes Back To The Wise Men

Giving presents is an important part of Christmas happiness. The custom seems to go back to the ancient Romans, who distributed gifts in the course of their mid-winter festival, especially on New Year's day. In the Bible story, the Wise Men, or Magi, brought gifts to the infant Jesus on the twelfth day after his birth. And so, in Spain, Italy, and some other countries, it is not on Christmas but on the eve of Epiphany, twelve days later, that children receive their presents.

In several northern countries, the season's gifts come almost three weeks before Christmas for they are brought by Saint Nicholas on the eve of his feast day, December 6. Saint Nicholas was a bishop of the 4th century. He came to be regarded as the special friend and protector of children. Once, the story goes, he tossed three purses filled with gold into the house of a poor nobleman who could not provide a dowry for his three daughters. Now, in the Netherlands, Belgium, Switzerland, Austria and parts of Germany, he returns every year on Saint Nicholas Eve with gifts for good children and switches for bad ones.

Our own jolly Santa Claus is just another form of Saint Nicholas "San Nicolaas," and this soon became "Sanka Klaus" and then "Santa Claus."

To make this symbol and the spirit which it represented seem real, Santa Claus is shown as a

Wait Till Tomorrow!



"MAYBE TOMORROW," their teacher said. Pierre and Nicole wait hopefully for tomorrow to bring them more food, warmer clothes, better schools, improved health—things that Save the Children Federation helps to give thousands of needy boys and girls, without regard to race or creed, in this country and overseas. You can brighten Pierre and Nicole's tomorrow by answering the 25th Anniversary Appeal of Save the Children Federation, 345 East 45th Street, New York 17, New York.

Nightmare Before Christmas —

IT WAS THE NIGHT before Christmas and all through the house not a creature was stirring, with the exception of . . .

Father, who wants to know what happened to the Christmas tree stand when he put it away last year . . .

Mother, who is trying to answer the telephone and father at the

same time . . .

Norman, aged three, who is calling from the crib and wishing to be informed if that noise he hears is Santa Claus . . .

An expressman, aged 150 by the way he feels, who is delivering a rocking horse at the side door . . .

Aunt Agnes, who has just dropped the library table drawer, seeking a pencil to sign the receipt . . .

Grandma, who can't remember what she did with the Bedtime Stories she bought for Norman's stocking and who wanders about like Lady Macbeth . . .

Anne, aged sixteen, who skips endlessly and wants to know if they can't unpack the new phonograph tonight instead of tomorrow so she can ask some boys in to dance while father trims the tree

A delivery man, who sounds like a troop of cavalry in the front vestibule and who is with difficulty convinced that he has the wrong house . . .

Jack, aged fourteen, who blows out a fuse while monkeying with the lights for the Christmas tree and throws the whole house into darkness . . .

Radio loud speaker which announces, "Christmas Carol, God Rest You Merry Gentlemen, Let Nothing You Dismay," broadcast from Station DIN.

SHOP THE CLASSIFIED WAY AND SAVE!

SEASON'S Greetings

Joyfully we join the merry carolers to warmly wish our wonderful friends and patrons a Happy Holiday Season.

CITIZENS STATE BANK
Member F. D. I. C.
EARTH, TEXAS

person. Besides being merry and jovial, he is fat, to represent liberality and plenty of good things to eat. He is dressed in red, to represent warmth and heartiness. Since he comes in the winter time what animals should draw his sleigh but reindeer? What better names could his reindeer have than those given them by Clement Moore in "A Visit from St. Nicholas?"

Now, Dasher! Now, Dancer! Prancer and Vixen! On Comet! On Cupid! On Donner and Blitzen!

And where should Santa Claus come but at the North Pole itself? He is as old as Father Time and has a long white beard; but his rosy cheeks show that he is also as young as a child. Over his shoulders he carries a pack full of toys and other gifts for children.

Christmas Greetings

Greetings to All

'Tis the season to be jolly...and happy are we to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas.

Thank You for Your Patronage
McNEIL SERVICE

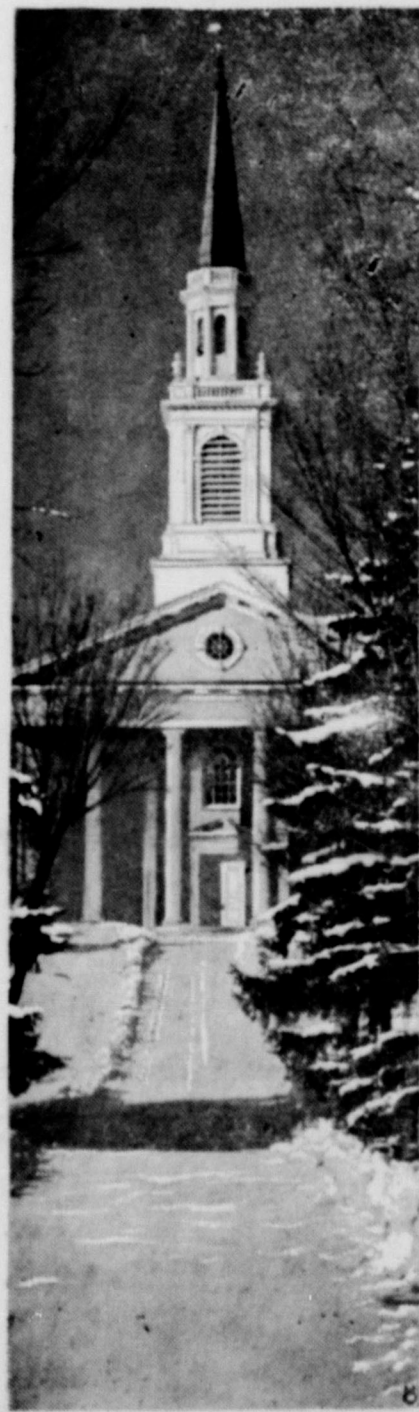
CHRISTMAS Greetings

We hope you and yours enjoy a hearty Holiday... brimful of the love and joy that make Christmas.

ARMSTRONG CLEANERS
EARTH, TEXAS

The Season's Greetings

We extend to our many good friends a sincere wish for a Yuletide laden with a wealth of the good things in life. May every day be filled with the blessings of good health, happiness and warm friendships.



Greetings

We hope the magic of this glorious season extends throughout the year for you and yours...bringing with it the blessing of happiness, the joy of good health and the pleasure of warm friendships.

Thompson Chevrolet Co.
EARTH — OLTON

Patterson Bros. Grocery
EARTH, TEXAS

Feast On Holiday Mushroom Muffins



MARVELOUS are muffins made with condensed cream of mushroom soup. Their subtle flavor and extra special texture bring magical mouthwatering moments... especially when served the days of feasting along with that holiday bird.

HOLIDAY MUFFINS
 2 cups sifted flour
 1 tablespoon baking powder
 1 tablespoon sugar
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1 can (1 1/4 cups) condensed cream of mushroom soup
 1/2 cup chopped walnuts
 1/4 cup melted shortening
 1 egg, beaten

Sift dry ingredients into a bowl. Mix soup, walnuts, shortening and egg; add to flour mixture. Stir until well blended. Fill greased muffin tins 2/3 full. Bake in a hot oven (400° F.) about 20 minutes. Makes 12 muffins.

They'd make a special breakfast surprise some morning, too. You might like to vary this recipe by substituting condensed cream of chicken or cream of celery soups in place of the condensed cream of mushroom soup.

**News from—
 Pleasant
 Valley
 Community**

by Mrs. Leroy Hicks

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Reeves and son spent the weekend in Shallowater and Anton.

Mrs. Leroy Hicks was calling in the Jarvis Angeley home, Monday evening.

Jack, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Allison spent a few days last week in the Muleshoe hospital suffering with asthma.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Turner were shopping in Lubbock, Monday.

Mrs. Bonnie Haberer has been

spending the nights with Mrs. Ted Haberer and son in Earth while Ted is away on a fishing trip.

Mrs. Carrie Withrow spent last weekend visiting relatives in Crane and San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Dunham, Nancy Kay and JJack, Mr. and Mrs. Peyton Dunham, Cindy and Bobbie were in Wichita Falls and Fredrick, Oklahoma recently.

Miss Pat Inman and Miss Sara Lou Graves of Waco spent a few days last week visiting in the home of Pat's family, Mr. and Mrs. John Inman and Ira Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Turner from Waco and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Turner and daughters returned last Monday from Deaver, Colorado where they visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bucks and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Angeley were visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Angeley of Morton recently.

Mr. and Mrs. John Inman and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Shoemaker were

in Clark Saturday shopping. Bonnie and Patty Angeley were Sunday afternoon callers in the home of Delores and Aloma Shoemaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Blair and family are spending the week in Shallowater.

Several families attended the Building Directors meeting Tuesday night with Harry E. Angeley, the presiding officer in charge.

Purpose of this meeting was to elect two new building directors. E. K. Angeley was elected to succeed the term of G. Wuerflein, deceased; John Inman was elected as the other director.

Roy Taylor donated a circular in the Community center. An estimate on the cost of wiring the community building was submitted by R. Shoemaker.

There were further discussions pertaining to the ceiling and floor of the building before the adjournment.

The P. V. Community meeting was held Tuesday night with Billy Pice in charge of the short business meeting.

There were discussions on whether to proceed with the Progress contest or to drop it. It was voted to drop out of the Neighborhood Progress Contest for this year.

It was voted to sponsor another turkey shoot before Christmas. The Skoot Club will be in charge of the turkey shoot plans.

The meeting was adjourned.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hicks were visiting Sunday afternoon in the Roy Shoemaker home.

**Texas To Be Well Represented At
 National Cotton Council January 28-29**

Memphis, Tenn. -- (Special) Texas will be well represented at the National Cotton Council's 19th annual meeting scheduled for January 28-29 in St. Louis, Mo. George G. Chance of Bryan is chairman of the delegation which includes:

Producers—J. S. Sharp, Paris; J. Wallis, Hammond, Tye; J. H. West, Bishop; Roy B. McQuatters, Littlefield; Geo. G. Chance, Bryan; Geo. Q. Payne, El Paso; Weber W. Pool, Sinton; and C. H. DeVaney, Coahoma.

Ginners—Max C. Smith, San Marcos; Wilmer Smith, Wilson; and Aubrey L. Lockett, Vernon.

Warehousemen—Wm. H. Smith, Galveston; Harris F. Underwood, Lubbock; and Stanton Brown,

Merchants—R. O. Beach, Sr., Waco.

Houston; J. B. Hubbard, Dallas; and Burris C. Jackson, Hillsboro.

Crushers—R. F. Holubec, Granger; Roy B. Davis, Lubbock; and Jas. R. Gill, Paris.

More than one thousand cotton industry leaders from 18 states will discuss a program designed to increase cotton consumption through intensive research and promotional campaigns. Council delegates will deal with specific problems in lowering production costs, improving quality, and increasing sales of cotton and cottonseed products.

**Season's
 Greetings**

To everybody, everywhere, we extend our sincere wishes for an old-fashioned Yuletide...warm with friendship...richly endowed with happy memories...bright with promise for the future...abounding with good health and good fellowship...a season filled with deep and lasting joy.

and **THANKS!!**

FOR A WONDERFUL GRAIN SEASON THIS YEAR—YOUR PATIENCE AND COOPERATION HAS MADE WORKING WITH YOU A REAL PLEASURE.

Springlake Elevator
 and
Sunnyside Grain Co.

SPRINGLAKE, TEXAS

SUNNYSIDE COMMUNITY



Here they are!
 The season's best wishes to all our wonderful friends. May you enjoy to the fullest every minute of this glorious holiday.

HOMER GARRISON MOTOR CO.
 (Lincoln-Mercury Dealer)
 LITTLEFIELD, TEXAS

EL PASO CAMP EVENTS

by MARILYN McGEATH

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Jones, Doug and Jean shopped in Hereford, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Jackson and son, Steve visited Mr. Jackson's brother in El Paso for five days. They left Friday and returned

Wednesday.

Mrs. Gary Moore was in Littlefield on business Saturday.

The Rex Jenkins' shopped in Lubbock Wednesday and in Littlefield Thursday.

Mrs. E. J. Jones was in Littlefield Thursday.

Larry Beavers was host to a birthday party in his home Monday afternoon. Those attending were Barbara Jean Moore, Steve Jackson and Steve Hendricks and the honoree. They each had a very nice time.

Gary Moore's nephew from Lub-

CHRISTMAS Joy and Peace

The season of rejoicement is here and we extend to you our sincerest wishes for a cheerful and peaceful Yuletide.

B and I VARIETY

EARTH, TEXAS



Joyful Wishes

In harmony with the Holiday spirit, we add this cheery note: May you and yours enjoy for years to come, all the happiness we wish for you this Christmas.

EARTH DRY GOODS

Delicious White Sauce Made With Instant Cream



By BETTY BARCLAY

A basic white sauce can be varied in so many ways to give simple dishes an added flair. When this sauce is made with instant cream it is so easy-to-make that it should quickly become a household favorite. The recipe we are giving today has three versions in thickness; thin, medium or thick sauce. For casserole dishes we suggest the sauce be made in the medium version—and here are a few suggestions for varying a plain white sauce.

With a ham casserole use mustard as a seasoning. Try a cup of grated sharp yellow cheese with 1/4 teaspoon of Worcestershire Sauce for macaroni, spaghetti or noodles. Stir an egg in the sauce for sea-food dishes. The addition

of pimento, parsley or hard cooked egg makes a perfect garnish for vegetables.

And now for the instant cream white sauce that never lumps.

Instant Cream White Sauce
4 tablespoons instant cream
Flour (see quantity needed below)
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup water
1 tablespoon butter or margarine

For thin sauce: use 1 tablespoon flour; medium sauce: 2 tablespoons flour; thick sauce: 3 tablespoons flour.

Method: Mix instant cream, flour, salt in saucepan. Add water. Cook and stir until mixture boils and is thickened. Add butter. Makes 1 cup sauce.

book and his brother from Plainview visited in the Gary Moore home Saturday evening.

Otis King was a dinner guest in the E. J. Jones home Sunday evening.

Danny Rivers was a weekend guest in the Rex Jenkins home.

Marilyn McGeath and Jane McGeath attended a slumber party in the home of Sue Curtisinger Thursday night.

Mrs. F. J. Jackson and small son Steve spent the week with her mother in Amarillo, Texas.

Larry Beavers has attended school for three days since the Thanksgiving holidays. He was first sick with the measles and then with a virus infection. Larry is feeling much better and is again able to be back in school.

Mrs. Glen McGeath and daughters were in Dimmitt, Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Jackson and Steve shopped in Dimmitt, Saturday.

Word was received this week that Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tennison who are former residents of this camp, but now live in Jalisco, New Mexico enjoy receiving the Earth paper and especially this column so they know the news of their old neighbors. Thanks for

the compliment from this fine family they were very dear friends of all of us.

Word was received that Mr. Thomas was in a car wreck in Oklahoma, the extent of his injuries is unknown at this time.

Farm Bureau Roundup

Fun night was the theme of the meeting of the Pleasant Valley Farm Bureau meeting.

Games and refreshments were enjoyed by a large crowd of young and old alike.

The meeting was held in the community center in Pleasant Valley with President, E. K. Angeles, leading the fun. Next meeting of this group will be January 15th.

FARM BUREAU BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEET AT SPRINGLAKE

Springlake was the center for the Lamb County Farm Bureau Board of Directors meeting last Thursday night. Directors and their wives met in the new community home for a covered dish supper and followed this with a business meeting.

New directors approved at this meeting were C. C. Slaughter, Fieldton, Leroy Hackler, Orono, Jack Fisher, Susan and V. R. Dering from Pep. These new directors will meet with the board for the first time Thursday night, December 20th in the Farm Bureau office in Littlefield.

Alternates approved were Lobby Short, Fieldton, W. T. Hall, Otton, Hubert Chisom, Sudan and Leonard Albus, Pep.

The Thursday meeting is a special meeting called by the County President Herman Neuschwander for the purpose of studying the Bracero program as administered in Lamb County.

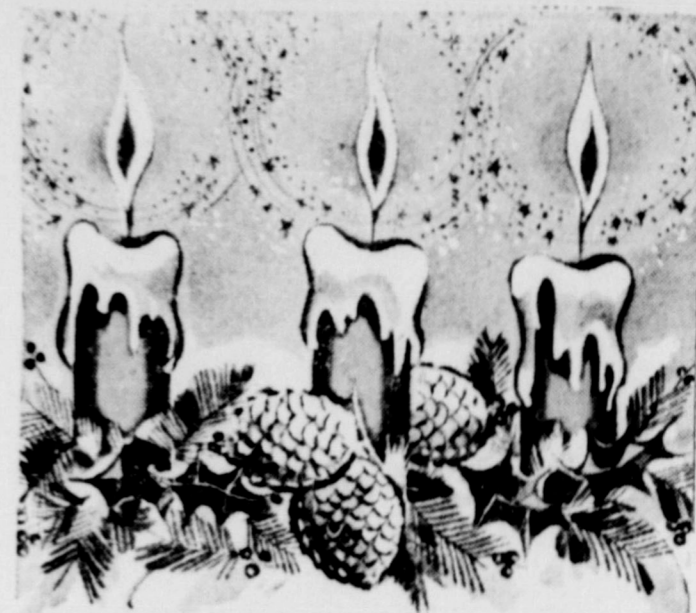
COTTON ACREAGE INCREASE LOOKS GOOD TO FARMERS

After many years of continually losing our cotton acreage, the

recent 1,758 acre increase for Lamb County, looked good to us farmers," said Neuschwander, in a letter to J. Walter Hammond, President of the Texas Farm Bureau and Bill Fortenberry, head of the Plains Cotton Growers, Herman Neuschwander, President of the Lamb County Farm Bureau expressed the appreciation of the local board of directors and the county farmers, for the part these organization had in obtaining the recent increase in cotton acreage en-

joyed in Lamb County. Neuschwander also said "We want to thank you for your appearance before the Texas Cotton committee at College station this summer, where you pleaded the case of the cotton farmers of the Plains."

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Black were in Muleshoe, Saturday where Mr. Black received a medical check-up.



NOEL

With happy memories of many pleasant friendships, we extend our sincerest wishes for a joyous Christmas to all.

MITCHELL LAUNDRY

EARTH, TEXAS

O, Holy Night



As you celebrate the Birthday of Him, who was born in Bethlehem upon the Holy Night of long ago, may the true spirit of Christmas surround you and your loved ones, lifting your hearts anew with its glorious promise of "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."

Rutherford & Co.

EARTH, TEXAS

Season's Greetings

One of the special joys we find at Christmas-time (along with trimming the tree and exchanging gifts) is collecting on all the wonderful friends we have—and wishing each and everyone of you a most delightful holiday season.

CAMPBELL Cotton Gin, Inc.

DODD COMMUNITY

Party Line...

Miss Lois Lewis, student at A. C. C. is spending the Christmas holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lewis.

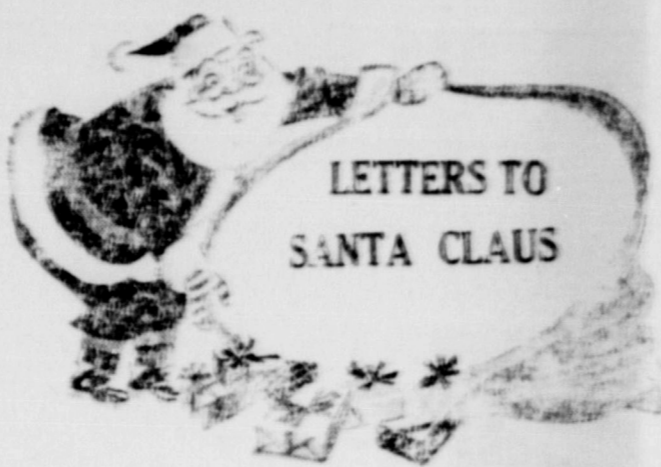
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hadaway have purchased a new 1937 Chevrolet.

Ronald and Donald Sarcel are spending the holidays with their

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Sand et. Both are students at A. C. C.

Mrs. Paul Wood, Mrs. Travis Jaquess and Mrs. Bill Bosley were in Lubbock, Friday where Mrs. Jaquess received a medical checkup.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Donald will have Christmas Eve for Sleigman Mississippi to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Hannah Smith. They will return home, Thursday.



Expression Pupils Presented In Speech Recital

Mrs. Eunice McAdams presented an expression pupils and kindergarten expression pupils and kindergarten, December 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the Springlake School Auditorium. The same program will be presented in the new Muleshoe Methodist Church, December 23rd at 3:00 p.m.

The Welcome was given by Kelley Earl O'Hair. "The Lord's Prayer" by the Kindergarten class, Drucella and Dana Damron, Nancy Aduddell, Kerma Nickels, Andy King, Kitty Carter, George Ann and Hal Ray Newsom, Linda Kerr and Joe Pat Riley.

"The Littlest Angel," and "Sally Ann Helps," by Jane McCord. "To Christmas Market" by Brenda Clayton and Kelley Earl O'Hair. "Time For Christmas" by Anita, Donita and Connie Jo Kelley, Barbara Burrows, Mickey Montoom and Beverly Prather. "Tell Santa" by Barbara Burrows. "The Prayer" and "Most Important Birthday" by Vicky Prather.

"Merry Christmas, Everyone" by David and Elroy Wislan, Jr. "What Uncle Jack Says" and "The Proof" by Jill McConl. "A Gift For Santa" by Beverly Prather. "Jack Frost," "Artist" and "The Old Doll" by Debbie Barton. "Looking By Mickey Montgomery." "A Cuddle Stone" and "What Ginger Wants" by Ginger Dent.

"Christmas Gifts" by Connie Jo, Anita and Donita Kelley and Brenda Clayton.

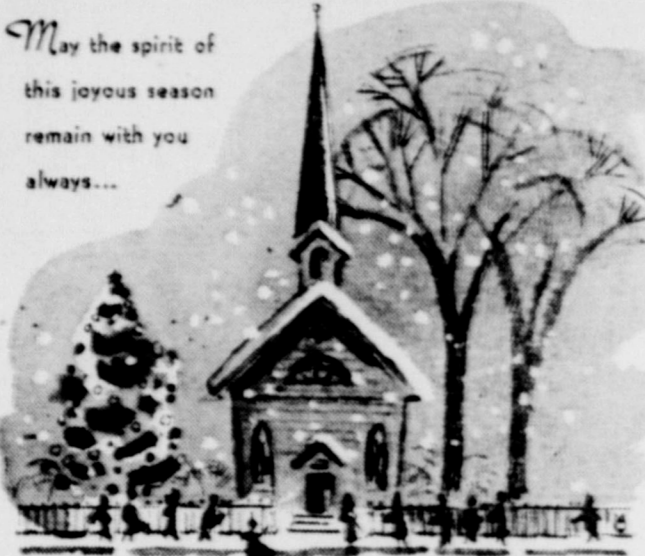
"Just Fore Christmas" by Jimmy Stone. "How Funny" and "Just Before Christmas" by Lindell Wilson. "Just Right" and "My Daddy's Neckties" by Darrell Wilson. "Big Wish" by Stanley Bickel. "Santa Claus Rule" by Buddy Roberts. "Gifts" by Ken Mc-

Adams. "Santa's Not Fair" by Ben Carter. "Christmas Presents" by Julie McAdams. "Santa Claus and the Mouse" by Charles King. "Merry Christmas" by Jackie Baker, Kitty Carter and Deanna King. "The public is invited to attend the program in Muleshoe Methodist Church.

One quintillion is written 1,000,000,000,000,000.

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

May the spirit of this joyous season remain with you always...



DANNA'S DRIVE INN

Thanks for past patronage, and invite each of you back EARTH, TEXAS



A merry Christmas

Our Yuletide best to all our friends... for a season packed with all the wonderful things that Christmas means!

TIDWELL GROCERY
EARTH, TEXAS

Dear Santa:

I want a new black tricycle, a bride doll and I want Tracy a new rocky horse and little Scott wants a singing Teddy.

Love,
Kathy Lee

Dear Santa:

I am five years old and I have been a real good boy. I want a John Deere pedal tractor and an electric razor just like daddy's. I'll need a screwdriver and pair of pliers, too. Don't forget mommy and daddy and all the other kids. Bring my little sister, Pat, some toys, too.

Love,
Mike Cleavinger

Dear Santa:

How are you? Fine I hope. I am just fine. I am eleven years old and I am in the sixth grade. My teacher's name is Mr. Zular. He is very nice.

Would you please send me a second player and some records also some night skirts and sweaters and anything else you think I would like.

Thank You Very Much,
Love Always,
Deann Adrian

Dear Santa Clause:

Please bring me a toy tears ball and fruit and candy.

Thank you,
Jane Branson
Muleshoe, Texas

Dear Santa:

I want an Electric Train, Dram, Roy Rodgers suit, gun or anything of Roy Rodgers. O, yes Santa, I ruined my football helmet, please bring me another. Bring me a holder for a football.

Bring my little brother Kenny a sweater and other toys. Good Bye.

P. S. Will try to be good Santa Clause.

Santa, if can't bring all of

these things just bring what you can.

K. Kelley
Kelly Earl O'Hair
Earth, Texas
Box 585

Dear Santa:

I would like to tell you what I want. I want a Buick toy train, automatic dump truck, road maker, road building set and Buffalo Bill guns.

Yours Truly,
Ricky Roy Byers
Springlake, Texas

Dear Santa:

I am four years old and I have tried to be a good boy. Santa, would you please bring me a cowboy outfit with a double holster set, a truck and a Roy Rogers Ranch set.

I have a little brother, Bill. He has a helicopter and some cars or anything suitable for a two or two years old. Would you bring year old boy?

Santa we will be in Sayre, Oklahoma with our grandmother.

Bye and Love,
Brent and Bill Tanner

OLD-FASHIONED CHRISTMAS Wishes



To all our friends, we extend warm wishes for a Holiday that is full of love and joy. A Merry Christmas to all!

EARTH THEATRES
EARTH, TEXAS

Greetings

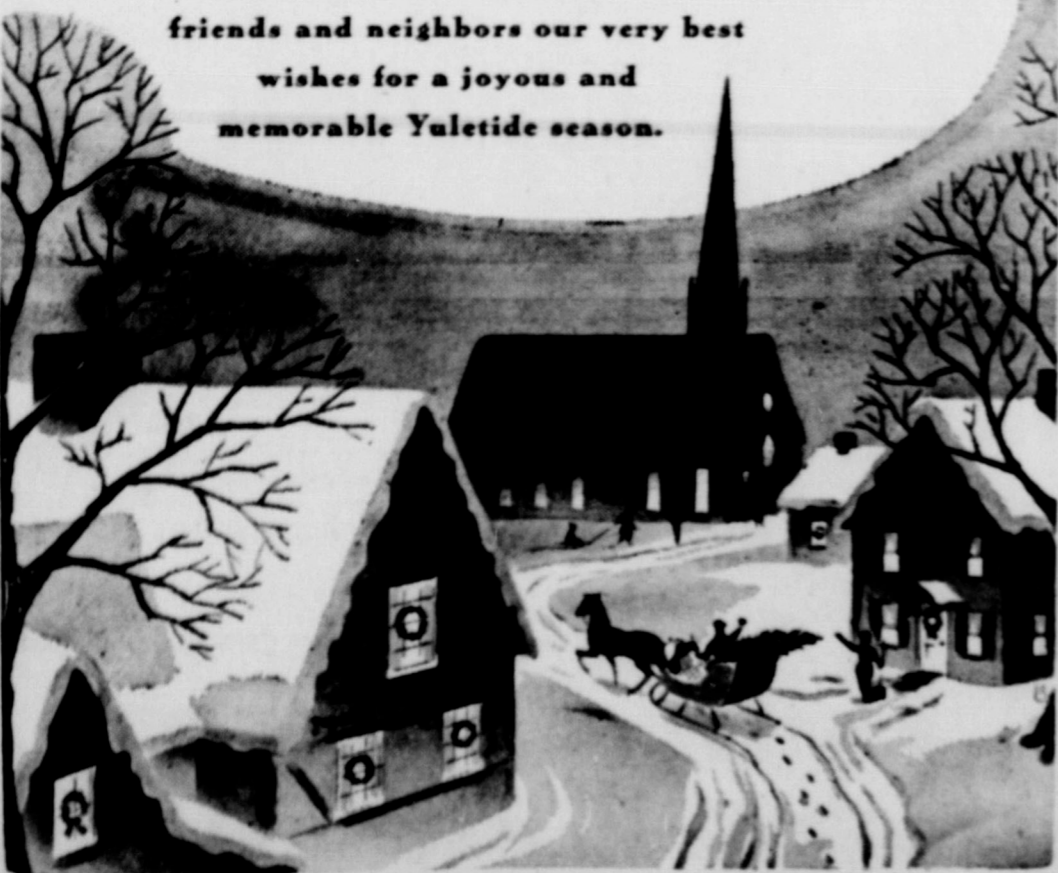


For all our friends we wish this to be a season of significance. A holiday when peace mingles with merriment, love with good fellowship, good works with good will. And may the spirit of Christmas abide with you and those dear to you, now and always.

Earth Co-op Gin, Inc.

Earth Elevator WISHES YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

As an expression of our thanks and good will, we are extending to all our friends and neighbors our very best wishes for a joyous and memorable Yuletide season.



News from—
**Sunnyside
Community**

by TEENY BOWDEN

The Brotherhood met Tuesday night for their regular meeting. Dr. F. B. Faust from Earth was

the guest speaker. Two films, "A Life To Save," and "Rheumatic Fever" were shown. Fifteen members were present. Coffee, Cakes and fruit cake was served.

Mrs. Otis English was admitted to the hospital at Lubbock again for blood transfusion, Wednesday. Alonzo Ferguson and Mrs. T. B. Bridges went to Weatherford, Wednesday to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Gunn.

The Jenell Green and Oline circles met Wednesday night for the circles programs from Royal Ser-

**Merry
Christmas**

*Just dropping in with
a packful of cheery wishes
for all our friends. May your
Christmas be a merry one,
overflowing with happiness.*

GEORGE KASINGER
RADIO and TV SERVICE
EARTH, TEXAS

The Spirit of Christmas



*At this joyous time
of Christmas, may happiness
fill your heart and may the blessings
of peace, good health and good fortune be yours.*

MARTIN BROS. WELDING
EARTH, TEXAS



The fact that the youngsters at the Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation face Christmas in wheel chairs and braces does not lessen their enthusiasm for the coming of St. Nick and other Yuletide joys. Among those hanging their stockings at Texas' own comprehensive rehab center this year are Gary Ryan of Kingsville, Linda Bingham of Bridge City and Kathy Carroll of Abilene.

The Junior II Sunday School class had their Christmas party, Thursday afternoon at the church. Mrs. Raymond Lilley is their teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bridges and Bruce from Earth spent the first part of the week with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bridges.

Mrs. T. J. Bridges celebrated her 52nd birthday this week.

The Primary Sunbeams met Friday evening at the church for their Christmas party. Patricia Sadler is their leader.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Widner took her father, who has been in the hospital in Amarillo, to his home in Mierose, Friday.

Little Cindy Elkins has been ill this week with bronchitis.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hooper of San Angelo, Texas visited with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ogletree and grand- parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cox, Friday and Saturday.

The little infant nephew of C. J. Johnson stayed with them Tuesday while his parents shipped.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Alair and family went to Las Cruces, New Mexico this week to see Mr. and Mrs. Norman Cox and family. They visited Sandra Cox in the hospital in Truth or Consequences, New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Myers Ogletree moved into their new home in the Pleasant Valley community, Wednesday.

Cleo Widner from Melrose visited with the Ezell Sadler's, Saturday.

Mrs. Rex Jenkins mother visited in her home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ott from Dimmitt visited Sunday with relatives in the community, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Paterson from Summerfield visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Lilley, Sunday. Gale Sadler and Miss Verna

Mae Lewis from Lubbock visited Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Sadler.

50 attended Sunday School, Sunday morning with 101 in Training Union Sunday night.

Brother Wayne Lee's parents from Summerfield visited with them, Sunday.

The Christmas program was presented during the worship hour Sunday night. The Beginners and Primaries sang, "Away in a Manger." Olvis Spencer recited the poem, "Inasmuch," and the play "No Room In The Inn," was presented. The cast included: Jacob, The Innkeeper- Wayne Lee; Ruth, his wife-Mrs. Rodgers; Rebecca, his daughters-Sherry Lilley; Mary and Joseph-Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Johnson; Shepards-Larry and Myles Sadler and Keith and Gene Johnson; Wise Men-Noah Spencer, Gerald Elkins and Dale Widner.

The Church Choir furnished the music for the play. Janelle Hayden sang, "O' Holy Night," at the conclusion. Treats were given to those present. Three pieces of Samsonite luggage was presented to the Pastor and family by the church. Butch was given a gift certificate.

Mrs. S. M. Taylor attended church services Sunday for the first time since her accident.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Johnson and family visited with his parents and other relatives in Dimmitt Sunday.



**CHRISTMAS
GREETINGS**

*Our hearts are
filled with the
warmest wishes
for the merriest
Christmas you
ever enjoyed.*

We Will Be Closed December 25-26

B. W. Armistead, O. D. — Glenn Burke, O. D.

406 Lfd. Drive, Littlefield, Texas

GREETINGS



May the blessings of the first Christmas abide with you for all time.

May the spirit of good will to all men be your guiding faith forever.

City Shoe Shop and Western Wear

"Complete Boot and Shoe Repair
EARTH, TEXAS

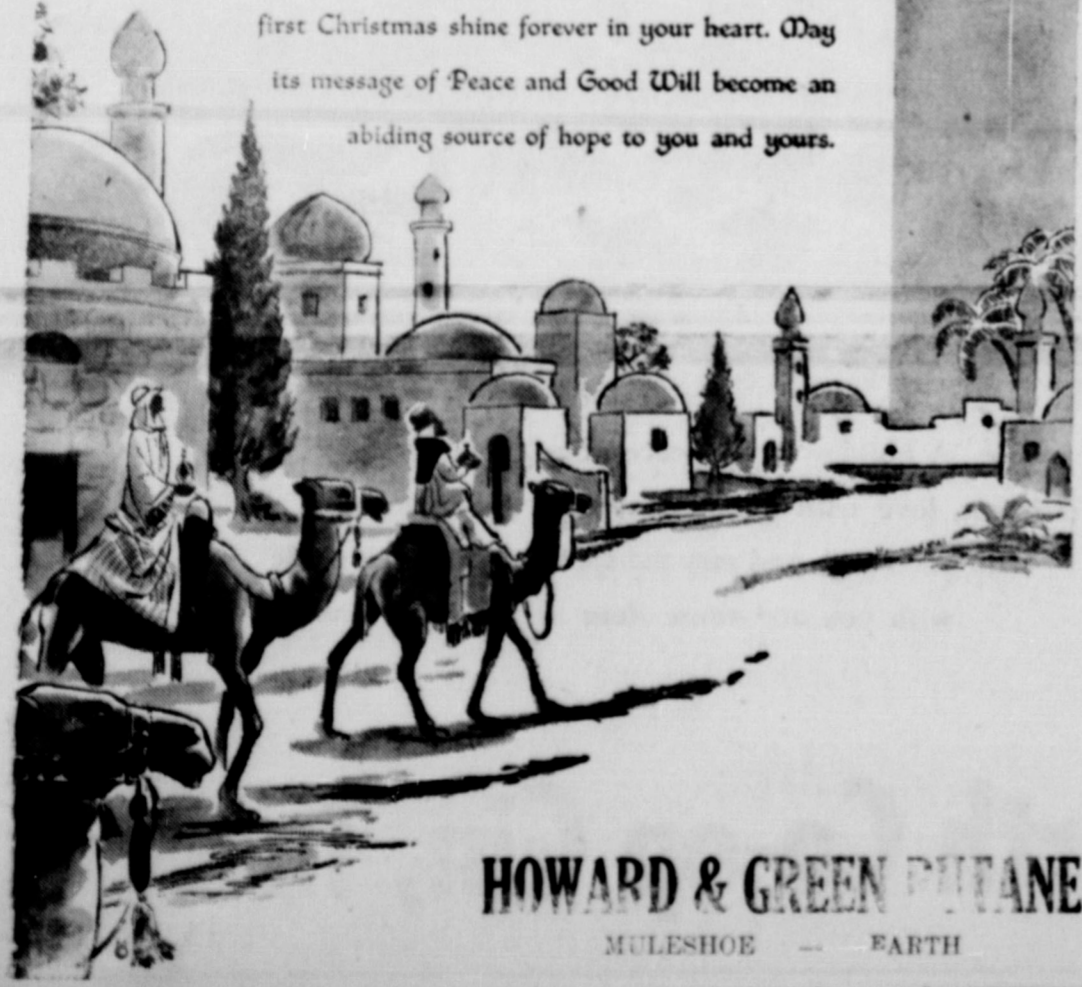
FOR A JOYOUS
Christmas

*At this joyous time of
Christmas, may happiness
fill your heart and may the
blessings of peace, good
health and good fortune be
yours for a long time to come.*

RALPH RUDD
Texaco Station
SPRINGLAKE, TEXAS

Season's Greetings

*As brightly as the star of Bethlehem,
that Silent Night, may the spirit of the
first Christmas shine forever in your heart. May
its message of Peace and Good Will become an
abiding source of hope to you and yours.*



HOWARD & GREEN PUTANE
MULESHOE — EARTH



Greetings

*May the joys of the
Holiday Season
surround you and your family,
and linger long in your home
and in your heart, to brighten the days
that lie ahead. A Merry Christmas to everyone.*

WARES 'and PERSONNEL'

LITTLEFIELD, TEXAS

"Where's My Present?"



"OMMY" THE FOX, who is a frequent food hand-out caller at the Kadak fishing lodge in Algonquin Park, on the transcontinental line of the Canadian National Railways through Northern Ontario, does little pre-Christmas sniffing to find out "What's for me" on the decorated floor Christmas tree. Chief Guide Jack Wilkinson annually decorates a tree for the friendly animals in the 3,000 square-mile Provincial park. Here hunting is not allowed but trout fishing is encouraged.

'Twas The Night Before Christmas—

(WESTER STYLE)
 Editor's note: In view of the fact that the children are so sold to the Westerns on TV we thought that they would get a bang out of the parody written by R. B. Mattox, a professor of Zoology at Texas Tech.)

'Twas the night before Christmas and out in the West
 The boys were all playing them close to their vests
 The cards were all dealt and the bets in their places
 While each player bluffed of kings backed by aces
 The barkeep had furnished each player a drink
 Of stuff that should have been poured down the sink
 When out in the street there rose such such a clatter
 That they rushed to the door to see what was the matter
 When they looked through the door they all turned quite pale
 For there in the street stood old

Two-Gun McHale.
 Now McHale was well-known as a gun slinging tough
 And the boys could see that he meant to get rough.
 Unshaven and dirty, he gave them a jolt
 For in each dusty holster hung a .41 Colt.
 He tied up his horse and stomped to the bar
 Where his gaze chanced to fall on the sheriff's star
 With a flick of his wrist and the boom of his gun,
 He sent that poor creature away on the run.
 Then he said to the barkeep in tones rather frisky
 "Come here, you fat slob, and pour me some whiskey!"
 After downing the rot-gut in merely one gulp
 He pummeled the nearest bystander to pulp



KIMBELL GIN CO.
 EARTH, TEXAS

Why Do We Use Christmas Trees?

Our Christmas decorations of evergreens also come to us from pre-Christmas times. In Italy, Spain, and some other countries

Then with his big flat hit the bar with a crash
 And he told one and all to hand over their cash.

As he walked to the door he unholstered a gun

And announced to the crowd that they now could have fun

And he cheerily called as he shot out the lights.

"Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night!"

flowers are used instead of evergreens. This may be due to the fact that the early church frowned on the use of evergreens because of their association with the earlier pagan festivals. In Sweden, too, flowers are used. In Sweden, too, flowers are used. In Sweden, too, flowers are used.

Mistletoe came to be especially associated with Xmas because the northern peoples held it sacred and thought that it had magic powers. Sprays of it were hung over doorways as charms. Holly, too, was the subject of many superstitions; its use at Christmas is regarded as especially appropriate because of its prickly leaves were thought of as representing the Savior's crown of thorns and its bright red berries as representing drops of blood.

The Christmas Tree, however, did not come into general use until comparatively recent times.

It comes to us from Germany, and the first written mention we have of it is in a carol of 1510. The German people have a story that Luther started the custom of a century or so earlier and put candles on the tree to represent to his children the brilliant stars of Christmas Eve.

Many other stories are told about the Xmas tree. One of the oldest takes us to Germany in the 8th century, when the missionary Saint Boniface was trying to end the practice of sacrificing human beings to the sacred oak. He found the custom hard to stop. Finally, he led his converts out into the forest at Yuletide and showed them a fir tree, which was, he said, pointing straight up to the Christ Child.

"Take this tree," said Saint Boniface, "into your homes as a sign of your new worship, living still when earth is darkest and with no stain of blood upon it."

Merry Christmas —

Do you remember those glorious moments of Christmas when the world was decorated with star-spangled, holly-wreathed, mistletoe-studded wonder and happiness, when you were only four, or six, or eight, or even ten years old.

Celebrate God's power no more in the forest with shameful rites, but in the sanctity of your homes with laughter and love."

By the beginning of the 19th century nearly all Germany had adopted the Christmas Tree, and soon after the custom spread to most other countries of northern Europe and to the United States. It is still unusual, however, in Italy, Spain, and Latin America.

Do you remember bouncing out of bed, early Christmas morning, so sure that good old Santa had not forgotten the toys and games that you asked for?

Now that we count Christmases by the dozens, we can still cast our cares aside for a few days, relax and rejoice in the happiness that we can bestow on the junior members of the family and on those outside who are not so fortunate as we are.

This is the season when we forget "ME" and ask "Are YOU happy?" And in proportion as we apply that formula, will Peace and Good Will and Happiness prevail. This is our Christmas message—may we hope this is the happiest Holiday season of your life.



THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

Let us stop, this day, to reflect on the true spirit of Christmas...the spirit of Charity and Good Faith...the spirit of Humility and Good Will Towards All. And let us pray that from this day forth, the Christmas Spirit will abide with us through all our lives, that we may be the better for it. May we take this opportunity to wish all our friends the very best on Christmas and for all of the days to come.

Farmer's Co-operative Association
 OF SPRINGLAKE
 SPRINGLAKE, TEXAS

Santa Solves Holiday Home Entertainment Needs



So many millions of Americans own movie cameras today and show films of their kids and vacation jaunts that Christmas in these homes presents no gift problem. A wide selection of entertainment movies exclusively for home use is available today and while many of these films are particularly appealing and amusing to young children they also have just as much interest for dad and mom, thus enlivening the happy holidays for the entire family.

Camera dealers and department stores have these entertainment movies in both 8mm and 16mm film and a number of them are especially suitable for Christmas, such as "The Little Lamb", a story of a stray lamb on the first Christmas Eve, and "The Little Match Girl", one of Hans Christian Andersen's stories of love and Yuletide laughter. Boys and girls enjoy sports films, too, and in this group are "Football Parade of 1936", reviewing exciting high-

Christmas Tree Decorating Safety

Speaking from his Austin office, J. O. "Jim" Musick, General Manager of the Texas Safety Association, issued a word of caution to Texans, today, regarding Christmas tree-decorating safety.

"Accidents at Christmas time always seem so much more tragic," Musick said. "And this is especially true if the accident results in a fire that costs a family their home; maybe serious injury to one of the family."

Musick pointed out that most of this type of accident is easily preventable, if only a few common sense precautions are taken. As an example he listed the following eight rules which he considers "musts" in safe decorating:

1. Keep tree outside until time to trim.
2. Place tree away from all

3. Use non-inflammable decorations.
4. Never use candles near tree.
5. Make sure lights, sockets and wiring are in good condition.
6. Anchor tree, at top, with wire to prevent it from falling.
7. Turn off tree lights at bedtime or when away from home.
8. Dispose of tree safely; never burn in fireplace.

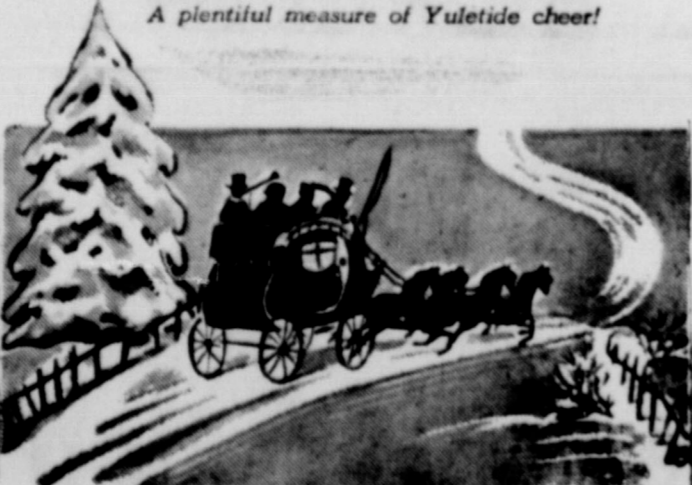
"Remember," he concluded, "It takes less than 60 seconds for the average tree to burn up completely so make your Christmas a bright one, but with happiness—not with fire."

At least ten countries use the eagle as the symbol of supremacy.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

The time for joy, the time for peace;
The time for pleasures that never cease.
We wish you all at this time of year
A plentiful measure of Yuletide cheer!



WINDERS FERTILIZER CO.

MATHIESON AMMO-PHOS FERTILIZER
EARTH, TEXAS

The Manger Plays Important Part In Many Lands

In these countries, and in other places where most of the people are Catholics, the heart of the Christmas celebration is not the Christmas tree, but the manger scene. This is a miniature reproduction of the stable where Christ was born, with tiny figures of people and animals. The Italians

call it the presepe; in Spain it is the nacimiento; and in France it is the crèche. Nearly every Catholic church in the world has its manger scene, and in many homes that takes of its deepest meaning for the people. This play scene is said to have been started by Saint Francis. The story is that on Christmas Eve of 1224 he arranged a stable. Assisted with real animals and real persons for the actor.

The usual form is a hill built of stones which are covered with moss or other greenery. The figures of Joseph and Mary are near the cradle, and in the background are the animals, the shepherds, and the Wise Men. Above the hill are suspended angels, or

a bright star, or perhaps a white dove. The whole family helps build this scene, usually on a table in the corner of the living room. The pretty colored figures are made of plaster in Spain and in parts of France; but in Italy they may be of earthenware or of wood.

On Christmas Eve at early twilight the children light up the manger scene with candles—in France with small three-colored ones in honor of the Trinity—and these candles are lighted every night until Epiphany (the 12th day after Christmas), when the scene is put away for the next Christmas.

Maryland has the only state flag bearing a coat of arms.

Christmas Casualties For Young and Old

Christmas casualties — Father: backache induced by operation of Junior's electric train for four hours while in a prone position.

Mother: A feeling of general demoralization resulting from the receipt of expensive gifts from seven people to whom she had not

even sent cards.

Walter (aged 17): Heart attack, the aftermath of the hit a mail to help out with Christmas dinner.

Helen (aged 14): Nose out joint. She received a gold watch, while Katherine's (door) was platinum.

Junior (aged 8): Acute infection three cuts from his little ax, and a burn or two.

Hilda (the cook): Melancholy due to Officer Reilly's failure call with a suitable gift in return for the handsome necktie tendered him.

The Christmas Tree: Baldness



THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

Let us stop, this day, to reflect on the true spirit of Christmas...the spirit of Charity and Good Faith...the spirit of Humility and Good Will Towards All. And let us pray that from this day forth, the Christmas Spirit will abide with us through all our lives, that we may be the better for it. May we take this opportunity to wish all our friends the very best on Christmas and for all of the days to come.

THANKS FOR YOUR PATRONAGE

Adrian Food

DODD EARTH

Dodd Grain Co.

DODD COMMUNITY

USE THE CLASSIFIED FOR YOUR PROFIT

FOR SALE
 FOR SALE: Hegari Bundles, 3 and one-half miles west, one mile north of Earth, Wilson Lewis, 12-20-2tp
 FOR SALE: Houses for sale or trade, terms to suit you. See Joe Wasson at Dee's Cafe in Earth, 11-15-16f
 FINISH High School or Grade School at home. Spare time. Books furnished. Diploma awarded. Start where you left school. Write Columbia School, Box 1514, Amarillo, 9-4-57

WANTED: About 2 tons of either light grain bundles or butts. Maybe alfalfa or even could use off-grade and size. Write name, location, price. Johnnie Graham Rt. 2 Littlefield, 12-27-2tp
REAL ESTATE
 FOR BETTER deals in real estate, (especially farms and ranches.) Frank Bozenan, Spring Lake, Texas. Also your listings appreciated. 1.21.tf
 FOR RENT: Electric floor waxer - Thrifty Furniture 12-15-16f

MOVING & STORAGE
 FOR COMPLETE MOVING and STORAGE SERVICE CALL BRUCE and SON Phone CA 4-6349 Plainview, Texas

WHEN . . . YOU SHOP AT Ellis Jewelry and Floral
 You Are Sure Of QUALITY SERVICE Earth Phone 4341

FOR SALE: Purebred Boxer Puppies - Travis Scott, Phone 4431, Earth, Texas. 12-20-1tp

WANTED TO RENT
 One fourth to one-half section land. Prefer land located near Earth. Would buy equipment & motors. See BILL MORRIS 3 mi. No. of Earth - Box 555 12-30 8tc

FOR ALL YOUR ELECTRICAL WIRING and Electrical REPAIR WORK Call 4121 **Stephens and Sons Hardware**

FOR SALE: Two 2-room houses to be moved. See Joe Wasson at Dee's Cafe in Earth. 11-22-2tc

LOOK! BOYS and GIRLS Xmas Fireworks
 Of all kinds Available at Springlake Cafe

WANT TO RENT
 One quarter section of Irrigated Land See BILLY HOMER HODGE Phone 4221

SHOP THE CLASSIFIED WAY

SNOW PLUMBING & HEATING CONTRACTOR
 PLUMBING SUPPLIES
 PHONE: 5979 DAYS — 8100 NIGHTS
 MULESHOE BOX 421

MULESHOE IMPLEMENT AND SUPPLY CO.
 ALLIS - CHALMERS — G. M. C. — PONTIAC
 SALES — SERVICE — PARTS



This is the Farmall 450 in the new 1957 farm tractor line now being shown by International Harvester dealers everywhere. The "450" is shown here with the new Fast-Hitch with Traction Control pulling the new McCormick four-bottom plow.

Brownd-White Equipment Co.
 EARTH, TEXAS PHONE 3951

DONALD DUCK By Walt Disney

Help Fight TB
 Christmas Greetings
 Buy Christmas Seals

Highlights and Sidelights FROM YOUR State CAPITOL

SHORT SNORTS — Assessment by senatorial districts has been proposed for raising money for the Texas Democratic Party. Finance committee members have approved the plan, will recommend it to the executive committee. . . State Senator Charles Herring of Austin has proposed a two-term limit be placed on Texas' governorship. It would take a constitutional amendment. . . Two per cent gain in income of Texas farmers and ranchers has been reported by the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture for the period Oct. 15 to Nov. 15. . . Dallas leads the state in number of manufacturing plants. Houston, San Antonio, Fort Worth, El Paso, Austin, Amarillo, Waco and Corpus Christi follow in that order. . . Texas con-

MAKE Taylor's Studio
 YOUR STUDIO We Specialize in Weddings — Portraits
Taylor's Studio
 WE DON'T WANT ALL THE BUSINESS, WE JUST WANT YOURS
 Littlefield Phone 76

The Smartest Kids at School can be Smartly Dressed with the automatic **NECCHI**
 LIFE-TIME GUARANTEE
 Call or Visit for FREE Demonstration HARVEY BASS APPLIANCE Muleshoe, Texas

HAIR-BREADTH HARRY

OH! AT LAST! BELINDA SIGNALS ME! SHE SAYS - "EVERYTHING" EXCEPT - DON'T MOVE, ME FINE FELLOW, IF YOU DON'T WANT A PUNCTURE!!

You Can Make Meringue Cookies
 By Betty Barclay
 "MAKE 'EM Yourself!" You can. These glamorous meringue cookies that you used to have to buy from a fancy bakery, you can now make yourself in less than half an hour! Three dozen of them, too; enough to serve with elegance at an evening card party.
Chocolate Meringue Cookies
 1 cup chocolate chips; 3 egg whites; 2 cups sifted confectionery sugar; 1/2 cup saltine cracker crumbs; 1/2 cup chopped pecans; 1 teaspoon vanilla.
 Melt chocolate over hot water. Cool. Beat egg whites until stiff. Add sugar gradually, beating after each addition until blended. Then fold in cracker crumbs, nuts, vanilla, and melted chips. Drop from teaspoon on lightly greased baking sheet and spread slightly. Bake in moderate oven (375°F.) about 10 minutes. Makes about 3 dozen 2-inch cookies. Store in tightly covered container.

BARGAIN HUNTER'S DELIGHT
 \$500.00 DOWN
 \$50.00 per month on balance
 2-BEDROOM, STUCCO
 Well located in new addition
 Now vacant, move right in
A. D. TAYLOR
 Phone 3831
 REAL ESTATE BROKER

The EARTH NEWS
 Published Every Thursday at Earth, Texas

ROSS L. MIDDLETON Editor and Publisher
 MRS. "POLLY" MIDDLETON Advertising Manager
 MRS. ANNA JOHNSON Society Editor
 JIM MORRIS Compositor

Entered as Second Class Matter at the Postoffice at Earth, Texas, October 1, 1954 — Under Act of March 3, 1879

SUBSCRIPTION RATE
 Earth and Trade Territory, per year \$3.00
 Elsewhere in United States, per year \$3.75

ADVERTISING RATES GIVEN ON REQUEST

CITIZENS STATE BANK
 EARTH, TEXAS
 CAPITAL and SURPLUS - \$100,000.00
 "Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation"

MARY WORTH'S FAMILY

MARY WORTH'S FAMILY

MARY WORTH'S FAMILY

MARY WORTH'S FAMILY

Cranberry Coffee Cake is New Taste Treat



Here's a recipe that will treat your "taster" to a real change. It's a spicy-flavored coffee cake with a mouth-watering topping that lends zest and sparkle to that mid-morning snack. Try this really delicious, really different Cranberry Coffee Cake. You'll enjoy it! And invite neighbors to share it with you at coffee-time. They'll love it, too.

DELICIOUS CRANBERRY COFFEE CAKE

- 2 cups cake flour
- 3 tsps. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 egg
- 1/4 cup C and H pure Cane Granulated Sugar
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1/2 cup shortening, melted
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/4 cup whole cranberry sauce

Topping

- 1/4 cup C and H pure Cane Granulated Sugar
 - 2 tbsps. butter or margarine
 - 1/4 cup flour
- To prepare the topping, combine 1/4 cup sugar, butter or margarine and flour and mix until crumbly. Sift together cake flour, baking powder, salt and cinnamon. Beat egg slightly, add sugar and mix well. Stir in vanilla, melted shortening and milk.
- Add dry ingredients and mix thoroughly. Spread batter in a greased 9-inch square cake pan or baking dish. Spoon cranberry sauce over top of batter. Sprinkle with topping. Bake in moderately hot oven (400° F.) 30 to 40 minutes.

Irrigation Without A Well Proves To Be Successful to Three Dryland Farmers

Irrigation without a well, that is what Claude Russell, A.O. Dickson and Rufus Ogerly are doing. These three Lamb County Soil Conservation District cooperators, who live in the Bull Lake watershed of the Hampton Gin Community, have installed spreader systems to pick up outside water and spread it over their fields. The Lamb County SCD Board of Supervisors recommends this practice for all dryland farms which have suitable land and access to a sufficient watershed.

A spreader system is a series of terrace-like structures constructed on a field to control and store a given amount of water from its own watershed or to pick up water from an outside source.

There is no set standard for a spreader system, for each system has to be designed to fit the field and the contributing watershed area.

Joe Krizek, engineer for the Soil Conservation Service, designed three systems last winter. Two were installed on the A. O. Dickson farm, and one was installed on the Rufus Ogerly farm. One of Dickson's systems is the syrup-pan type which picks up outside water from a bar ditch and stores approximately one foot of water behind each structure before it passes around an end block and fills the next one below. When all are full, the extra water is returned by the natural watercourse. Dickson's other system picks up water from a draw and distributes it from the backside of the structure and stores a given amount on the upper side. When the system is filled, it spreads the water over a large flat field.

Ogerly's system is the syrup-pan type, but it picks up its water from

the watershed above with a series of pipe through a dike.

Russell didn't get his complete system was installed last year, but a temporary system was constructed in the late spring. The complete system is now under construction.

All three men estimated that about three or four inches of water was received above the natural rainfall, which was about five and one-half inches this year and about six inches last year.

Their cotton increase this year averaged from one-third to one-fourth bale per acre more where the spreader system was installed.

Dickson states, "If you don't have an irrigation well the spreader system is next best for increasing yields; but you are still depending on the annual rainfall and on the extra water that can be picked up from the contributing watershed, for sometime during the year some extra water can be expected."

Ogerly says, "I only got the use of water that had been going by my farm in the bar ditch, but received quite a bit of moisture from the drifting snow last February." Russell reports, "I would recommend this system to anyone, for it made my crop this year. I picked up about an extra inch application of outside water when only one-half inch of rain fell on my farm at that time."

Standard terraces are sufficient where no outside water is involved. The benefits received are: increased yields, preventing the loss of water by runoff, and the controlling of water erosion. This is the best time of the year to do this type of work.

Planning and layout assistance can be obtained through your local Soil Conservation District or by contacting the Soil Conservation Service office at Littlefield.



LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:

I am not big enough to write but am big enough to want some new play things for Christmas. My sister would like me to have a doll and my brother, Doug would

like me to have a red wagon. I love to look at books so mother would like some new ones for me. I do like like Hershey candy bars so please bring me one.

Your Little Friend,
Janice Meyer

Dear Santa:

I am three years old and I have been pretty good this year. I'd like for you to bring me a pearl earring and a doll with a pony-tail and a doll bed. I'd like to have a cash register, too. Bring my little sister some toys to chew on. She is 9 months old. Bring all the other little kids some toys, too.

Love,
Jan Cleavinger
Springlake, Texas

Dear Santa:

I like you very much. Will you bring me a record player and a watch and plenty of records? Will you bring my brother a gun? Will you bring mother and daddy a piano?

Your Friend,
June Taylor

Dear Santa:

I am a boy 7 years old. I have been good enough for these things: A guitar, 30-inches long. A filling station and some guns that are named Wyatt Earp, page 22 Montgomery Wards Christmas catalogue. I hope to see you Christmas Eve.

Your Friend,
Douglas Messer

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a pretty good boy this year. Please bring me a Doctors Kit and a Tak-A-Peg Desk-ette also a rifle and an airplane. I want a Television set, too.

Thank You,
Ricky Rudd

Springlake, Texas

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a B B Gun. Please bring me two guns with a whip if you have one. Don't forget my baby brother, David bring him any thing that you want to.

Thank You,
Danny Lynn Kelley



Christmas Greetings

In the spirit of an old-fashioned Yuletide...warm with good fellowship and rich in friendship...we wish you the Season's heartiest greetings. May your Holidays abound with good health and high happiness and leave you with a treasure trove of bright memories to cherish through the year ahead.

Earth Oil & Gas Co.



Merry, Merry Christmas

We hope you have lots of fun, and joy, and laughter, this Christmas.

MEDICAL CLINIC

Dr. and Mrs. F. B. Faust
Faith-Helen and Bruce
Minnie Guana, Mrs. Zoe Wilson
EARTH, TEXAS