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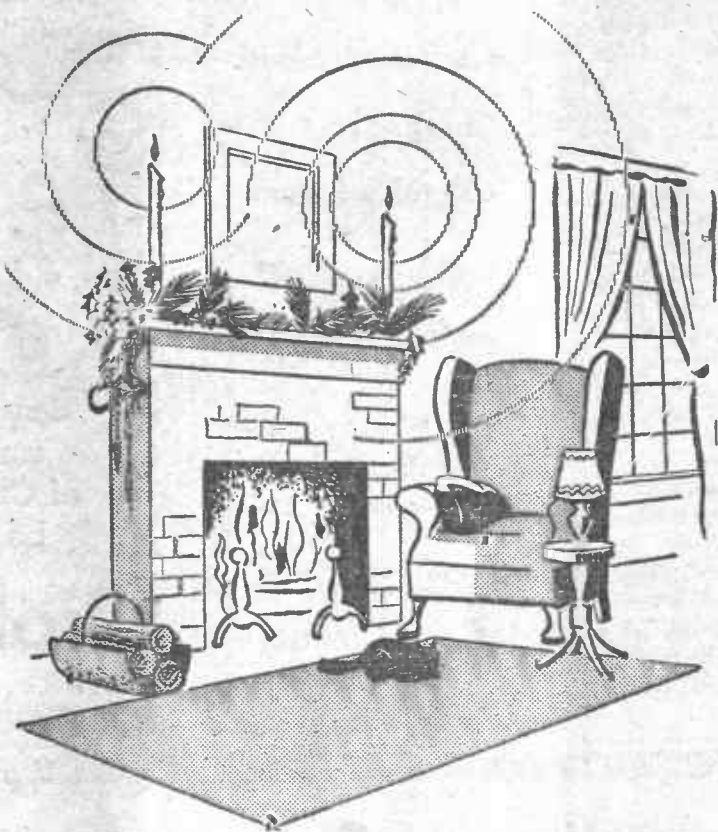
IUKA, TISHOMINGO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, THURSDAY DECEMBER 24, 1953

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VIDETTE VARIETIES

ONE we thought was good so we pass it on to this Christmas time: There's a big-hearted fellow, there are some things not he can bring. The greatest joy today is something Santa nor anyone else give us: Our American people pulled the Declaration of Independence, or the Constitution, or the Bill of Rights out of the hands of the people. Nobody handed us the right to worship as we choose, to our minds, to read and the truth without censorship. Freedom was earned by American blood and with vigilance. . . . and by many keep this precious heritage, keep on working for it. Working together for peace and freedom, for race and creed: voting in elections, taking part in community affairs, fighting racial prejudice, religious prejudice, protecting neighbor's rights as our own, even fighting for them, we can give us freedom—we can give it to each other, this Christmas season, the year, by keeping the spirit of good. . . . Working together for peace and freedom, for race and creed: voting in elections, taking part in community affairs, fighting racial prejudice, religious prejudice, protecting neighbor's rights as our own, even fighting for them, we can give us freedom—we can give it to each other, this Christmas season, the year, by keeping the spirit of good. . . .

Merry Christmas



It is with profound sincerity that we extend to you—one and all—our Heartfelt wishes for Health and Happiness during this Yuletide Season.

THE VIDETTE STAFF

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CHRISTINE HOLTSFORD
ROY VAUGHN
HURCHEL ROBERTSON
JOHNNY BIGGS
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Chief And Miss High School Crowned In Colorful Ceremony

Chief Iuka and Miss Iuka High were crowned Friday night in a Christmas coronation held in the local gymnasium. Bill Pyle acted as master of ceremonies presenting sixteen maids and their escorts.

Martha Lynn Vickers wearing a white taffeta evening dress and Stanley Dexter in his black frock-tail suit carried the crowns. Annette Allen dressed in an off-the-shoulder red net evening gown served as flower girl.

Supt. Shook crowned Kermit Rushing, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Rushing, Sr., as Chief and Barbara Hamm, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bliss Hamm as Miss Iuka High.

The grand march that followed was very pretty with each maid dressed in colorful evening dresses. Music was furnished by Mrs. Buster Ramsey at the piano.

Several cake walks were held under the direction of Herman Gann.

Methodist Youth And Adults To Greet New Year

A new Year's Eve Watch-Night service will be observed by youth and adults of the Iuka Methodist Church and Iuka Circuit on the night of December 31. It will begin at the Iuka Church at 9:00 p.m.

There will be quiet games, refreshments, and singing. Those attending will bring sandwiches and cookies; drinks will be furnished.

The service of worship and meditation will begin at 11:01 p.m. and will close with a communion service.

The observance of Watch Night originated in the time of John Wesley, who wrote a special order of worship for it. The Methodist Youth Fellowship was organized in such a service six years ago.

Prizes Awarded For Best Essay

The Mississippi Wildlife Federation announced today the appointment of a special committee to work on the study of water conservation and pollution in the state of Mississippi.

Leslie R. Moser of Iuka has been appointed to serve on this committee.

The Mississippi Wildlife Federation has recently offered prizes on the best essay on "Water Pollution Control" to High Schools throughout the State of Mississippi. Prizes will be awarded in January.

Any High School student in Tishomingo County may enter. Mail or bring your essay to Leslie R. Moser, Iuka, and he will see that it is sent to the Mississippi Wildlife Federation.

Iuka, Tishomingo Split Double Header

Iuka and Tishomingo divided a basketball double header Thursday night when Tishomingo was host to Iuka's girls and boys A teams.

Iuka girls hacked up a 35-34 victory and Tishomingo boys finished ahead 75-60.

Iuka's Ann Adams totaled 13 and Patsy Clark 9, while Hart for Tishomingo made 17.

Page netted 17, Cornelius 14 and Tidwell 10 for Tishomingo boys, Kay hooped 19 and Bullard 13 for Iuka, which trailed 41-23 at the half. Tishomingo girls were in front 17-16 at midway point.

Christmas Program To Be Given At Pentecostal Church

A Christmas program entitled, "Following The Star", will be given Friday night, December 25th, at the Pentecostal Church. The play will consist of five scenes and will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Hoyt Frederick Drowns When Car Runs Off Ferry

Hoyt Reece Frederick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Frederick, was drowned in the Cumberland River near Providence, Kentucky Monday, December 21st about 2 p.m. when his car ran off a ferry. The body was recovered about five hours later.

Mr. Frederick was employed as a trench machine operator by the Modern Welding Company. He was a veteran and served in combat duty in Korea. He was a Mason.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Dorothy Dexter Frederick; one son, Larry Wayne, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Frederick; one brother, Howard Frederick; grandparents, Mr. George Cass Stephens and Mr. and Mrs. James Frederick.

Funeral services were incomplete.

Rites Held For Henry Alton Jones

Henry Alton Jones, born May 31st, 1952 passed away December 14th, 1953 in Waukegan, Ill., at the age of 19 months.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Jones; one brother and two sisters; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Yarbrough of Iuka and Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Jones of Osyka, Miss.

Service and burial was conducted by Rev. Tom Moore at Snowdown December 18th. Cutshall Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Health Dept. To Close For Holidays

Dr. H. G. Waldrop, Director, announces that the Tishomingo County Health Department will be closed Wednesday, December 23rd until Monday, December 28th by direction of Dr. Felix J. Underwood as authorized by Heber Ladner, Sect. of State of the State of Mississippi.

Christmas Greeting Edition

This is our annual Christmas greeting edition of The Vidette. In it you will find heart-felt messages from almost all of the merchants and business and professional people of the town and county. Read and cherish their messages of good wishes to you. Advertisers are the ones who make your paper possible.

Iuka's New Band Makes Debut

Iuka's newly organized band, under the direction of Zelfred Smith, made its first public appearance Friday morning during school assembly when it presented a brief informal concert.

A sizeable crowd of parents and other visitors also heard the musical program, which was so well received that the band gave a repeat performance the same morning in the downtown business district. Musical numbers played were Silent Night, Eagle Scout March and The Marine Hymn.

The band was organized November the 2nd with 50 students taking part. Each student furnished his own instrument with the school supplying the larger and more costly instruments.

Plans are under way for formation of a band auxiliary composed of parents of bandmen and other interested parties.

The band is greatly handicapped at present due to the fact they are short on music stands and a couple of bass horns.

Another concert is being planned and will be given sometime in January.

Social Security Number Important

Mr. Ware Foster, manager of the Decatur Social Security office today asked all business firms to give names and Social Security numbers of their employees exactly as shown on the Social Security cards when making quarterly returns.

Mr. Foster cautioned all employees to carry their Social Security cards with them when starting in a new job. The card should be shown to your employer so that the name and number can be copied directly from the card.

"A woman who gets married should promptly have her name changed on the Social Security records," Mr. Foster said.

"Incomplete and incorrect reporting of the employee's name or Social Security number by employers causes considerable expense to employers, as well as to the Social Security Administration. An employee should make sure that his employer has his name and Social Security number right," Mr. Foster pointed out.

Your social security office will obtain an original or a duplicate Social Security card for employees who have never had cards or who have lost them. "All persons working under Social Security are entitled to apply once a year for an annual statement of the total wages credited to their account. Applications for these statements can be made at your Social Security office," Mr. Foster said.

Students Receive Certificates In First Aid

The Standard First Aid class in the Iuka high school has been completed by instructor James Robert Stormont. Records have been sent to Southeastern Area office in Atlanta, Georgia. The following students have been issued certificates for the course of instructions in first aid:

Mrs. B. L. Mercer, Nan Allen, Ruth Biggs, Annette Daniel, Betty Troham, Katherine Moore, Anne Adams, Ralphael Osborn, Mary Robinson, Carol Sanders, Dottie Smith, Doris Walker, Nel-

Tax Withholdings Subject To Change January 1st

Commissioner of Internal Revenue T. Coleman Andrews has announced in Washington that the law provides for changes on January 1, 1954, in the rates for Federal income tax withholding and for employer tax and employee tax under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (for old age and survivors insurance).

This was reported today by District of Internal Revenue J. L. Enochs, who explained that the rate of income tax withholding will be reduced from 20 percent to 18 percent and that the law increases the employer tax and the employee tax from 1 1/2 percent for each tax to 2 percent for each tax.

"These rates will apply to wages paid on or after January 1, 1954, even though the wages were earned in 1953," Director Enochs added.

"Tax tables for income tax withholding and for employee tax deductions on and after January 1, 1954, are included in a new revision of Circular E, Employer's Tax Guide," Director Enochs said. "District Directors of Internal Revenue will mail Circular E as early as possible in December to those employers who have been reporting the taxes each quarter on Form 941."

Hunting Fines Assessed In County

Quail hunting out of season cost game law violators \$410 out of a total of \$1960 in fines assessed during the period from December 11 through December 18, according to Wade Creekmore, Director of Conservation for the state of Mississippi.

Most of the cases made in the 37 counties involved hunting offenses. From Tishomingo County, Willie Lindsey and E. E. Lambert of Iuka were fined \$10 and \$15 respectively for hunting without a license.

County Forestry Award Winners

Three 4-H Club youths from Tishomingo County have been selected to receive certificates of merit for their work in forestry conservation projects during the past year, according to V. E. Porter of Newton, chairman of the Mississippi Economic Council's committee on awards.

Mr. Porter said winners of the awards were determined by local and state extension workers, who graded the projects.

The handsome certificates are to be presented by a representative of the Council at the annual event honoring 4-H Club members in the county, the chairman stated.

County Forestry Winners are: Earnest Lucian Vandiver, James Lester Adams, Jr., and Donald Crane.

"We congratulate the winners on the contribution they are making toward conserving our natural resources," Mr. Porter said. "Our youth are taking the lead in this needed work, and their efforts mean a better Mississippi in the years to come."

He explained that similar awards are to be made to Future Farmers of America members during the spring months.

The awards program of the Council is a division of the work carried out by the Agriculture and Conservation Committee, headed by S. E. Babington of Magnolia.

He Jane Counce, Janette Thorne, Roy Smith, Sue Sanders, Annell Hughes, Aline Dexter, Lola Mae Moore, Ada Berryman and Emma Robinson.

This class was composed of a study hall group and their teacher, Mrs. Mercer.

Look, Listen

The railroads of the United States have long carried on a safety and accident prevention campaign second to none. That it has borne fruit is evidence by the fact that in 1952 there was not

Names Selected From Which To Choose Jury Lists; Court Convenes Jan. 4th

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO VOTE?

Have you paid your 1953 poll tax? In order to be able to vote all citizens must present two years poll tax receipts. 1955 will be an important election year—our county officials—state and some national offices will be elected that year—and you cannot have a voice in who represents you unless you pay your poll tax and vote!

\$398.56 Raised For Community Christmas Fund

Iuka residents have contributed a total of \$398.56 to care for the needy of the area at Christmas this year.

The drive had its inception on Monday night, November 23rd, when committees were named to carry out the program. No concentrated drive has been made to obtain this amount. All contributions have been voluntary and the community as a whole is to be commended upon its awareness to the problem of the needy.

However, this year's collections are slightly lower than that of last year, that figure being \$440.40.

This fund will be used to buy food baskets for underprivileged families. A committee was appointed to investigate those who would receive the baskets; and a committee was appointed to make the purchase of merchandise. Committees will have charge of packaging and distributing the baskets.

Reported last week, \$350.56 Contributors and their amounts this week are:

Jim Jourdan	\$ 5.00
Talmage Jourdan	5.00
Iuka Masonic Lodge	10.00
Dick and Jane McRee	3.00
Methodist	
Senior Boys Class	5.00
Episcopal Auxiliary	10.00
TOTAL this week	38.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$398.56

MSCW Students Eligible For Mid-Term Degrees

Approximately 147 students are expected to complete the requirements for degrees at Mississippi State College by the end of the Fall semester January 23, Dr. T. K. Martin, registrar has announced.

One hundred thirty of these are candidates for the bachelor's degree, and 17 for the master's degree. No ceremony will be held at the mid-term, but these January graduates will be eligible to receive their diplomas with the Spring graduates May 24.

Among the mid-term candidates for degrees are Effie Kennedy of Dennis; Virginia Haines Foote of Iuka; Melvin P. Phifer of Paden and Ursula Underwood Hood of Tishomingo.

a single passenger death as the result of a train mishap.

Probably no single safety communication ever had more appeal than the letter written by a Union Pacific fireman in December, 1947, entitled "One Second From Eternity". It was addressed to a youth and his girl friend who escaped by a split second from being wiped out by a fast passenger train as their automobile crossed the track in front of it. Said the fireman, "It was so close that I, in the cab, could see the young girl throw up her hands in front of her face and cringe up against you (the boy) in stark horror."

COSBY CLINIC

Virginia Barnett, Golden Mrs. Roscoe Bullard, Iuka, girl Mrs. Will Taylor Dexter, Allsboro, twin boys Mrs. A. H. Hale, Belmont, girl James Roy Parsons, Iuka Mrs. Virgil Rhodes, Iuka, girl

The 1954 January term of Circuit Court will convene on the first Monday of the month with Judge Raymond T. Jarvis presiding.

Listed here are the names from which the juries will be selected.

FIRST WEEK

First District:

Joe Black, Claude Chase, B. B. Lambert, Dave Ables, S. M. Edwards, Walter Thomas, J. R. McClesky, Jack Yerber, Odell Bowling, W. H. Carson, S. W. Emerson, George Hudson, Finch Davis.

Second District:

Clyde Maxwell, Bus Brown, Elmer Lambert, Robert Blakney, J. H. Childs, A. K. Coker, C. E. Woodley, T. J. Gross, Thomas Blakney, J. J. Barnes, Willie South, M. C. Pruitt.

Third District:

N. P. Hester, Eugene McAnally, L. O. Browning, G. E. Wynn, C. T. Rutledge, C. O. Bingham, J. P. Bullard, L. C. Bumpass, Edward Quinn, W. A. Glasgow, L. O. Stidham, W. R. Wimbish

Fourth District:

H. C. Carr, R. B. Smith, A. A. Long, G. S. Loveless, Ralph Pennington, W. R. Nettles, Allen Thorne, Curtis Leatherwood, Adonis Deaton, J. H. Holley, J. C. Trimm, B. M. Green.

Fifth District:

L. V. Mink, J. A. Sparks, Bryant Hargett, James M. Stephens, G. P. Moore, A. V. Maan, E. T. Timbes, V. C. Griffin, Ira Harris, H. H. Tidwell, J. F. Crumby, Floyd Yerber, E. N. Caveness.

SECOND WEEK:

First District:

Ross Tucker, Noel Gray, Joe Thompson, C. F. Grisham, A. W. Clingan, Bert Davis, Olen Sanders, A. J. Berryman.

Second District:

J. L. Nagle, J. D. Honeycutt, L. W. Kennedy, M. B. Strickland, A. B. Woods, Bob Tucker, Homer Grissom.

Third District:

E. E. Pruitt, H. H. Enlow, L. D. McNeil, J. G. Bonds, Houston Luttrell, L. F. Nunley, John David Humber.

Fourth District:

W. R. Fugitt, O. E. Dean, J. R. Posey, J. H. Kennedy, W. R. Flannigan, Earnest Howell, Odie A. Bolton.

Fifth District:

S. M. Pruitt, Dave Whitfield, Lunsford Sartain, C. W. Armstrong, H. B. Barrett, Elwood Hallmark, J. A. Enlow.

Bookmobile Schedule

The Northeast Regional Library Bookmobile will appear at the following places on December 29:

Boggs Chapel, Tishomingo High School, Tishomingo Grammar School, Paden, Sanders Grocery, Dennis, Selby's Grocery, Belmont, S. Tishomingo, Golden and Carter's Branch (col).

On January 6th: Holcut, Helton's Store, Midway, Snowdown, Bennett's Chapel, Smith Grocery, Eastport, Pleasant Hill, Pleasant Ridge, Burnsville, Holloway, Gravel Hill, Rolling Hill, Cartersville (col), and Iuka (col).

On January 19th: Central, Popular Springs, Cross Roads, Morris Grocery, Barnes Chapel, Tucker Store, Bethel, Blue Springs, Mulberry, Lambert, Lambs Chapel and Center Point.

Notice To Korean War Veterans

Any Veteran desiring on-farm training please contact the Burnsville Vocational Training Department, who will assist you in making application.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Hurchel Robertson of Iuka, Route 2, announce the birth of a daughter, born December 17th at Cosby Clinic. The baby weighed 7 pounds and 12 ounces and has been named Myra Annette. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Daniel and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Robertson of Route 2.

Greetings



May your Christmas be
'merry and bright'

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THE ASSOCIATIONAL VOICE

News of the Tishomingo Baptist Churches.
R. B. PATTERSON, Missionary.
P. O. Box 314, Phone 3261, Iuka

The Tishomingo Baptist Church, in a very impressive service, set aside, for the work of the deaconship, three of their fine men on last Sunday afternoon. The new deacons are: Brother Homer Weeks, Brother J. E. Brown, and Brother Cladron Parker. The service was under the direction of Rev. Raymond Buchanan, pastor of the church. Rev. R. B. Patterson delivered the ordination sermon and Rev. C. C. Perry brought the charge. Rev. E. L. Monroe led in the ordination prayer. In addition to these brethren, the following deacons were present to participate in the ceremonies: G. A. Hall, D. M. Buchanan, W. W. Wooten, W. L. Byram, and L. D. Edwards. The newly chosen deacons, with their wives, were extended the hand of good wishes and fellowship by the church at the close of the service.

We hope to have the calendars ready for distribution in the next few days, however, lest we should not be able to get them out to the churches before the new year, we herewith give you the January part of it:

January 3, Sunday School Mass Meeting, Iuka.

January 4-8, Bible study week in the churches.

January 5, Monthly Associational meeting, Golden.

January 10, Monthly music

meeting, Old Union.

January 11, W. M. U. Quarterly Rally.

January 12, B. T. U. Executive Committee meeting, Iuka.

January 17-22, W. M. S. Focus Week.

January 18-20, State Evangelistic Conference, Jackson, Miss.

January 26, Meeting for planning Simultaneous Evangelistic Campaign, Iuka Baptist church.

Thanks a million to every one for every good wish and expression of kindness that is coming our way these days. We wish to especially extend our thanks to the good people of the New Salem Baptist church for their exceedingly great kindness, and to the men of the Iuka Baptist Church for remembering us in such a fine way.

Let us take this occasion to wish for each and every one a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Let no one do anything at this season of the year that would bring reproach on the cause of our Christ or His Church. It is indeed a regrettable thing to think there are some who would do sinful things in celebration of the birthday of our Lord. Let the people of God refrain, and set a right example to others. Let us seek to make happy the One whose birthday we celebrate.

As we look upon the Christmas tree, may we think of the One who is the Tree of Life and who, for our sins, hung upon the tree of the cross. As we behold the Holly, may we remember that the original name was "holly tree" and that name was given because of the thorns that represent the thorns of His Thorn Crown. The red berries picture the blood that was shed for us; and the green represents eternal life. The Christmas Star is none other than the Star of Bethlehem, and the Bright and Morning Star. Santa means holy and Claus means child, so that whenever we use that word we are saying: Holy Child. In fact, all the emblems and symbols of Christmas point to the Savior.

Every Missionary Baptist a Baptist Missionary.

R. B. Patterson, A. M.

SYDNEY RAMSEY
HONORED WITH
BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Sid Ramsey honored her little daughter, Sydney with a party Saturday afternoon, December 12th, the occasion being her fourth birthday.

Sydney received her guests in a light blue checked gingham dress with a full tiered skirt and yoke embroidered with tiny pearl buttons.

The children were invited into the basement of the Ramsey home where an assortment of toys were available for the youngsters enjoyment.

A beautifully decorated birthday cake bearing little cowgirl candles was served with ice cream. Peppermint stick candy, bubble gum and balloons were presented each of the fifty guests as favors.

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Annual Wish:
Happy Holiday.

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MRS. J. C. JOURDAN
HOSTESS TO CLUB

Mrs. J. C. Jourdan was hostess to the Thursday Study club, Thursday, December 10th, for their December meeting. Lovely Christmas arrangements were placed in the living room and sun room.

Mrs. McKnight, club president, opened the meeting by having the "Club Collect" repeated.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and roll call answered by giving natural resources of Mississippi followed by a Christmas prayer read by Mrs. Isaac Jackson.

Mrs. Logan Whitten, chairman of conservation had charge of the program and had as her guest speaker, Mr. W. C. Hamilton, Tishomingo County Agent that gave a very informative talk on cotton, after which a Christmas story was given by Mrs. Bill Pyle.

The hostess served refreshments to eleven members.

The next regular meeting will be on January the 8th with Mrs. R. L. McKnight as hostess and Mrs. Delbert Williams as leader.

JUNIOR 4-H CLUB
ELECTS OFFICERS

The Junior 4-H Club had a meeting Thursday, December the 10th, 1953. The following officers were elected:

President, Lloyd Murrah; Vice-President, Margaret Edwards; Secretary, Mary Margaret McCune; Reporter, David Reynolds; Song Leaders, Johnny Stormont and Wanda Taylor.

David Lee Reynolds,
Reporter

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in this

Holiday Season

1953



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of Christmas
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-and on
earth, peace-

May the deep meanings
of the first Christmas
bless your home.

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Iuka.

Miss.



best wishes
at Christmas

1953

This is a time
for remembering old friends,
and we number you among ours.

Tishomingo County Officials

CECIL SUMNERS

Chancery Clerk

ALVER BELUE

Circuit Clerk

W. T. DEXTER

Sheriff

GEORGE W. STRICKLAND

Superintendent of Education

J. D. FINCH

County Attorney

RUSSELL BONDS

Second District Supervisor

W. H. (BILL) GARDNER

First District Supervisor

O. L. WADE

Third District Supervisor

LUNCEFORD STORMONT

Fourth District Supervisor

WALTON MONTGOMERY

Fifth District Supervisor

Season's Greetings



May yours
be filled
with pleasant people
all through the Holidays

V. J. ELMORE'S 5c & 10c STORE

MARRIAGE CEREMONY SOLEMNIZED IN PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

Mrs. R. E. Helton announces the marriage of her daughter, Joanne, formerly of Iuka, to 1st Lt. Thomas S. Oden. The ceremony was solemnized December 11th in Pensacola, Florida.

Joanne is the daughter of Mrs. R. E. Helton of Huntsville, Ala., formerly of Iuka, and the late Elmer Helton.

Immediately following the ceremony the couple left for a brief honeymoon in Mexico.

Upon their return the couple will make their home in Corpus Christi, Texas where Lt. Oden is enrolled in the Marine Flight School.

NEW PROSPECT W. M. U. ACTIVITIES

The ladies of New Prospect church met in the home of Miss Cleo Moore on last Thursday for their program for "Foreign Missions" with Mrs. Tate Presley in charge.

These ladies are planning some Christmas boxes for people in their church and community. For one box they have made a quilt. On that day they quilted the quilt.

Each one brought a dish which was enjoyed by all at the noon hour.

Those who took part in these activities were Mrs. Delton Nelson, Mrs. Noel Bingham, Mrs. Drinen Frederick, Mrs. Fred Hodge, Mrs. Vester Howie, Mrs. Clark Daniel, Mrs. Umphress Gist, Mrs. Wallace Anglin, Mrs.



Tate Presley, Mrs. Owen Enlow, Mrs. Harold Dean Bowman, Miss Cleo Moore, Mrs. Troy Bowling and her mother, Mrs. Gist.

Everyone went away feeling that the day had been well spent in service and fellowship.

TISHOMINGO COUNTY HD COUNCIL MEETING

The December Home Demonstration Council meeting and annual Christmas party was held in the Home Agent's office Saturday, December 12, with 15 clubs represented.

The softly glowing candles spoke of the light which the Birth of Christ has meant to the world. The beautifully decorated tree and the many gifts again brought us a story within itself. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. J. R. Wingo.

Mrs. Lou Strickland of Overton Chapel club read Luke 2:1-20, followed with a prayer by Miss Bynum, and a poem, "His Birthday", by Mrs. J. C. Deaton. The Christmas Story, "If He Had Not Come", was given by Mrs. Reba Vandiver.

One of the highlights was the announcement of the winner of "Club of the Year" contest. The Belmont club won first prize with 1018 points, Paden second prize—616 points and East Snowdown third with 596 points.

The installation service of the 1954 officers, Mrs. Artie Timbes, president, and Mrs. Laurie Cutshall, secretary-treasurer, conducted by Mrs. J. R. Wingo, was very impressive. Miss Bynum presented the new officers Christmas corsages. In appreciation of the faithful service rendered by the out-going officers, Mrs. J. R. Wingo, president, Mrs. Blanche Daugherty, vice-president, and our recreation leader, Mrs. J. C. Deaton, also received corsages.

Mrs. Timbes began her post of duty as president with a few well chosen words of appreciation of the confidence placed in her by the council in selecting her to serve as president.

Miss Bynum paid compliments to the following members:

Mrs. Walton Montgomery, the only one to attend each council meeting this club year.

Mrs. Artie Timbes, Mrs. Blanche Daugherty, Mrs. J. C. Deaton, Mrs. J. R. Wingo, and Mrs. A. D. Taylor, who attended ten council meetings.

Mrs. Lou Strickland who belongs to three clubs and is a very active member.

The score sheet was revised for the coming year.



CHRISTMAS Wishes

Our Door is Always Open
to You, Our Friends . . .

Jimmie's Cafe
HOME COOKED MEALS

Iuka, Miss.

till we meet again.

Mrs. C. S. Phifer

Jimmy Ghisham, Gus Brown and Ray Curtis of Camp Gordon, Augusta, Georgia are visiting their parent over the holidays.

FOR YOU AT Christmas



Add another
Good Wish
to your
Heap of Greetings.

TAYLOR'S
Radio Shop

CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank each and every one who was so good and kind to me during my operation. I want to thank all for the beautiful flowers, good food and nice cards and letters I got. So God bless each and every one of you

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We send you
bright note of cheer
this Holiday.

GEORGE & LUCILLE PAGE



May Your Holiday Season
Be Filled with the True
Christmas Spirit -- the Spirit
of Friendly Warmth That
Brings Joy . . . Happiness . . .
and Good Will to All!

Katie Kordo

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Phone 2211 To Place Your Want Ad

For Rent — 4 room apartment, gas heat. Call 3542 or see A. L. Carson. D-24-31-J-7-14, P.D.

For well digging and repairs see Marshall Adams, Route 2, Iuka, Mississippi. D-24.

Housewives — Address advertising postcards. Must have good handwriting. Lindo, Watertown, Mass. D-3-10-17-24 Bp. P.

For Sale — 27 ft., 2-bed house trailer. All Masonite. Good Condition. Noel Whitfield, Iuka, Rt. 1. D-12-17-24-31Pd.

For Sale — Farmall model A tractor, disc, plow, cultivator and planter, 2 wheel trailer with rack. Price \$650.00 cash. See Clifford Peterson, Iuka, Rt. 4. D-17-24.

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CONGRESSMAN ABERNETHY SPEAKS AT RURAL TELEPHONE CELEBRATION



Above left: Saltillo Marshal Ren R. Bolton, throws switch at inauguration of New Rural Dial Telephone Service while L. C. Parker (left), Southern Bell District Manager, J. B. Bryant, Lions President and Congressman Abernethy look on.

Above right: H. G. Franks, Manager Saltillo Branch of the Citizens Bank and Trust Company of Atlanta. Looking on are Commissioner Little and Southern Bell's State Manager, J. M. Phillips; Ben R. Bolton; J. B. Bryant, Circuit Judge Raymond T. Jarvis, Commissioners Little and Adams and M. C. Dougherty.

SALTILLO—With ceremonies featuring the Honorable Thomas G. Abernethy, representing the Fourth Mississippi District in the Congress, as principal speaker, the latest rural telephone project to be completed in the State by The Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company was placed in service here on Wednesday.

The crowd, estimated at over 450, heard Congressman Abernethy compare the many blessings of life under the free-enterprise system in our country with the restricted life of the average Russian or Satellite citizen under communist rule.

"We Americans like to celebrate," he told his audience, "and we have so much more to celebrate than any other people in the world."

"Not only are conveniences such as the one placed in service here mighty few and far between in Iron Curtain countries," he continued, "but these things are distributed by the communist rulers to the favored few."

"And if there were anything to celebrate," the Congressman concluded, "those same rulers would tell you when and how to celebrate."

The celebration which was held at the Saltillo Consolidated High School was sponsored by the Lions Club of Saltillo and Citizens of the Birmingham Community.

Other State leaders taking part in the program were Circuit Judge Raymond T. Jarvis of Booneville, Public Service Commissioner Howard H. Little of Corinth and Highway Commissioner Roy C. Adams.

Representing the telephone company were James M. Phillips, of Jackson, State Manager and L. C. Parker, District Manager of Tupelo.

Mr. Parker stated that the Saltillo project is providing modern rural dial telephone service for approximately 250 additional rural homes and business houses in a wide farming area along Highway 45 between here and Tupelo as well as customers in the town of Saltillo and along the Birmingham Ridge Road.

A feature of the new project is the modern rural dial switching unit located in the building constructed especially for it near the intersection of Old Saltillo road and the Birmingham Ridge Road.

According to District Manager Parker, the Saltillo unit is the fourth such unit to be placed in service in the State within four weeks. It is the twentieth unit of its kind to be placed at the service of rural Mississippians since December, 1949, Mr. Parker states.

The Saltillo dial switching unit is connected by trunk lines to the Tupelo exchange and it and the approximately 250 new telephones connected to it are considered part of that exchange. All of these new customers are entitled to an unlimited number of calls to any other local telephone connected to the Tupelo exchange without additional charge.

Southern Bell's State Manager, J. M. Phillips, states that the 250 additional rural telephones placed in service Wednesday give the Tupelo service area one of the State's most complete networks of rural telephones.

Connected to the Tupelo exchange, Mr. Phillips states, are approximately 1600 customers located in the communities of Saltillo, Birmingham, Plantersville, Bissell, Furrs, Sherman, Mooresville, Auburn, Centerville, Skyline, Belden, Endville, Egsville, Richmond and Union.

Mr. Phillips stated that the Saltillo project which cost approximately 125 thousand dollars, brings Southern Bell's total investment since 1945 in the rural areas served by the Tupelo exchange to more than half-a-million dollars.

Louis Cook, manager for the Tombigbee Electric Power Association spoke briefly. About 800 poles belonging to the co-operative were used for telephone facilities through a joint-use rental agreement with the telephone company.

J. B. Bryant, Saltillo Lions President and sponsors committee chairman was Master of Ceremonies. The Reverend J. A. Landers gave the invocation and the benediction was pronounced by the Reverend Ott Richardson.

J. J. Wilson, Saltillo civic leader, gave the welcome address to which M. C. Dougherty, president of the Tupelo Community Development Foundation responded.

At the close of the program, Saltillo Marshal Ben R. Bolton closed the switch placing the new facilities in service and the first long distance call was placed by H. G. Franks, banker and civic leader of Saltillo.

The Tupelo High School Band played a number of selections during the program, which was followed by a picnic luncheon served by the sponsors.

Technicolor movies of local scenes and events were shown later in the day and Radio Station WELO, Tupelo, broadcast a recording of the program between 3 and 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

THE BIBLE SPEAKS

BY DR. KENNETH J. FOREMAN

Scripture: John 1: 20-30-31.
Devotional Reading: Hebrews 1:1-9.

God in Christ

Lesson for January 3, 1954

IT IS easier for some people to believe in icicles than to believe in God. That's true. You will hardly find anybody except savages in the hot belt along the equator who won't believe in icicles. These winter days you can perhaps see them for yourself. But many people believe in icicles who don't believe in God. In a way this is not surprising. An icicle is right there before your eyes, you see it being made, you know what it is made of. But God is not before your eyes, you can't see him made and you can't say what he is made of except "Spirit" and that isn't nearly as easy to understand as plain water and ice. It would be dishonest not to admit it—it is harder to believe in God than to believe in little things.

The Living Word

Now God knows that. We can say, without irreverence, that God is faced with a kind of dilemma. If he lets things take their natural course, most men will not believe in him, and that will be bad for them. But if he so to speak bursts on mortal men in his full glory, no human mind could endure it.

Suppose a very curious and skeptical person who did not believe in atoms because he had never seen one, insisted on a close view of an atomic explosion? He would be vaporized before he knew what hit him. A full view, so to speak, of the Infinite and Omnipotent God, would be insupportable by our small minds. It is the glory of God that he has solved this dilemma. He, the Unreadable, has translated himself into the life of man. He the Indescribable has become flesh as John puts it—has become the Christ who can be described. He who is infinitely beyond us has come to live beside us. The God who dwells in Eternity's silence has spoken in many "forms and fragments" in ages past, but now has spoken the perfect Word in Christ. When the church calls Christ the "Word" of God we mean that Christ is what God has to say.

Concern

As has often been said, it is more helpful, and just as true, to say that God is like Christ as that Christ is like God. Christ, we may say, is the knowable, the believable God. God apart from Christ is like an inscription left on a great rock in an inaccessible desert, an inscription in an unknown tongue. God in Christ is written in our own language. It has been said (with pardonable exaggeration) that Christ is the only God the Christian knows. Surely this much the Christian church has always believed; that any notions of God that are out of line with what we know of Jesus are out of line with truth. Now there are many things we want to know about God, and some of these things we really do not need to know. But some things we desperately do need to know—everything hangs on it.

One question is this: Does the high God have any concern for, or concern with, the affairs of our little planet? Is he so great that our prayers never reach him, or if they do, give him no concern? Jesus is God's answer to that question. Everything human interested Jesus. Sad things like funerals, glad events like weddings—people's ordinary problems and their great crises, — wherever people were, however obscure and "unimportant," there Jesus of Nazareth was concerned. We cannot believe in Christ as God's Word and still fancy an indifferent God.

Power

Another thing that we seriously want to know, is whether God has real power; and if so, what kind it is and how he uses it. There is a notion abroad, strange as it seems, that God is not really the ruler of all, but a sort of candidate for the throne of the universe; a celestial "Bonnie Prince Charlie" who is doing the best he can to gain control but who so far has not succeeded. If we understand and believe that God is like Christ, we can believe that he is in charge of every situation. Men called Jesus "Master" and with good reason. God is master of his universe. And yet we also see that Christ exerted his power in different ways. (More of this in later lessons in John.) He did not act on men in the manner of a lightning bolt.

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CHURCHES

Episcopal Church
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New Prospect Baptist Church
Bro. J. D. Joslin, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Church Services, 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.
B. T. U. Sunday 6:30 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday 7:00

Iuka Baptist Church
Rev. Carmon Savell, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Church Service 10:55 p.m.
B. T. U. Sunday 6:15 p.m.
Church Service 7:15 p.m.
Prayer Meeting Wed. 7:15 p.m.

Tishomingo Methodist Parish
W. F. Appleby, Pastor
Tishomingo
Preaching Services 2nd and 4th Sunday, 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Burnsville Church of Christ
Frank Newcomb, Minister
Bible School 10:00
Preaching 11:00
Communion 11:45

Paradise
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Preaching 4th Sunday, 9:30 a.m., 2nd Sunday 2:30 p.m.

Mount Pleasant
Preaching 4th Sunday, 2:30 p.m., 2nd Saturday night, 7:00 p.m.
Boggs' Chapel
Preaching 4th Saturday night 7:00 p.m., 2nd Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

Burnsville Church of Christ
Frank Newcomb, Minister
Bible School 10:00
Preaching 11:00
Communion 11:45

Mt. Joy Baptist Church
Jerrell McNutt, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 o'clock
each Sunday
Preaching Every First Sunday, 11:00 o'clock

Berea Church of Christ
Glenn Hargett, Minister
Bible Class 10:00
Preaching Every First Sunday, 11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
Bible Study Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

Tishomingo Baptist Church
Bro. R. Buchanan, Pastor
Church Services Every 1st and 3rd Sundays, 11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
Sunday School 10:00

Iuka Church of Christ
Roy L. Vaughn, Minister
Bible Classes Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Preaching Each Sunday, 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Bible Study Wed. 7:30 p.m.

North Cross Roads Baptist Church
Rev. Lauren Locke, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Church Service, 4th Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

Iuka Methodist Church
G. R. Meaders, Pastor
Church School 9:45
Morning Worship 11:00
Methodist Youth Fellowship 6:15
Evening Worship 7:30

Sacred Heart Church
1st Sunday 6:00
5th Sunday 10:00

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Secretary H. M. Biggs

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Master C. E. Marlar
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Year's Training With Gulf Refining Company Prepares
State College Graduate For Petroleum Engineer's Job



Herschel E. Lane is a husky six-footer out of Lawrence County, Mississippi. He's going to be a petroleum engineer. This is a job which carries a lot of responsibility, so the 32-year-old war veteran will have to absorb some more learning even though he holds the degree of Master of Science in mechanical engineering from Mississippi State College.

After he left State College in 1951, Lane looked around—in the Carolinas and the far west—for a while before he found a career opportunity right on his doorstep. This job of petroleum engineering can take Mr. Lane right up the success ladder, if he's got what it takes. Many of the top officials of oil companies

started with a shovel in their hands.

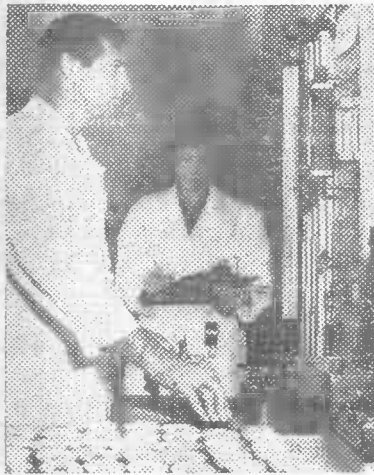
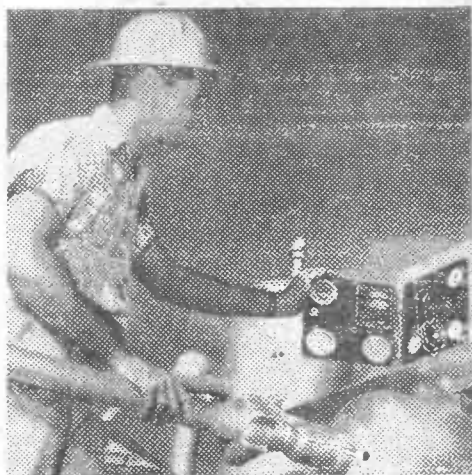
The Gulf Refining Company, one of Mississippi's largest producers of crude oil, is always looking among its Mississippi employees for young people with a future. When you have thousands of other folks' dollars riding on your decisions, you've got to have experience and know-how. The supervisors at Gulf figure Herschel Lane has a good educational foundation for the work before him; has a willingness and ability to learn, to work as a member of a team and to accept responsibility. Gulf put this Mississippian on its payroll and taught him for a year on company time. Gulf needs good petroleum engineers, so Lane started with a shovel in his hand.



Herschel E. Lane began his year's training for the job of Petroleum Engineer with the Gulf Refining Company as a "roustabout" or general laborer. Here he is helping to install a pumping unit on an oil well in the Heidelberg field, Jasper County.

from the chores of a "roustabout," trainee Lane moves to well-maintenance work... a field in which responsibility will be great when he is a full-fledged petroleum engineer. Lane records a reading (first picture) while taking a bottom-hole pressure in a flowing well after he and other members of the maintenance crew have lowered a special gauge into the hole. (Center) Lane inspects the operation of a "separator" after taking the "Christmas tree" of a nearby gas-drillate well. The separator takes distillate-bearing gas from the well and separates the dry gas from the liquid hydrocarbons. It measures it and passes it along to a transmission line for transportation to the point of use.

After six months of construction and maintenance work, Lane enters Gulf Refining Company's modern core analysis laboratory at Laurel. Experienced technicians teach neophyte Lane through the various tests performed on rock samples by the laboratory to determine productivity of a well, to determine the nature of a reservoir, to aid in the drilling of other wells in the area. Here (right), he measures the permeability of a rock sample from deep in the Earth as technician Willodean Wride records the reading.



from the core analysis laboratory, Lane enters Gulf's engineering office in an adjoining building in the heart of Laurel, Mississippi. As he takes up his slide rule to compute a pressure problem for a gas field gathering system, he recalls his days in mathematics class at Mississippi State College.

Training in the administrative procedures of the Gulf Refining Company's production division is also given the Mississippian in the Laurel Headquarters building. In this part of his education for the job of petroleum engineer, he learns the "how" and the "why" of executing the network which keeps Gulf's organization working efficiently. At the purchasing desk (above right), D. S. Bynum instructs the Lawrence Countian in the proper



accomplishment of a field work order... a form on which Lane will rely heavily in his future work.

Back in the field for his final training, Herschel E. Lane studies the operation of a drilling "rig"... the derrick, machinery and equipment used to drill for oil and gas. As a petroleum engineer, Lane will often bear the responsibility of completing all types of wells—installing production equipment such as pumping units and "Christmas trees," engineering gathering systems, and supervising maintenance work. Lane consults (right) with T. L. Hartzo, "tool-pusher" or drilling foreman for the drilling contractor, and W. I. Taylor of Gulf at the rig which will drill more than two miles into Jones County rock in an attempt to confirm Gulf's recent discovery of the state's deepest commercial oil production.



ROCKY SPRINGS

Friendship Home Demonstration club met Tuesday, December 15th for their annual Christmas party in the home of Eugene Glover with 9 members present. The new secretary, R. B. Dean, assumed her duties for the new year and leafed through gift ideas for Christmas given out by Miss Bynum. Party was under the direction

tion of Mrs. Mary Carson, recreation leader and gift exchanges were made at the close of the recreation. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

The former Faynell Ledgewood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lum Ledgewood, and Eldridge Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carol Davis, recently announced that they were married October 25th in Iuka by Bro. Davis. They are making their home with the grooms parents.

Harold Walker has gone to

California after spending his leave from Korea here with his family. He has been in the Navy for 12 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Pressley Honeycutt and son Ronnie of Oak Ridge, Tenn. are visiting Mrs. Honeycutt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lonzo Carson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson and son William Warren of Detroit are here for the holidays.

The Rocky Springs Sunday School class presented the Christmas pageant, "A Day Spring From

On High", Monday night, December 21st under the direction of Bro. Garland Knott.

Mr. and Mrs. Odis Cutshall and children, Phillip and Elizabeth of Alva, Florida are visiting relatives and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Filmore Curtis are going to their daughters, Mrs. Hoyt Hodge of Benoit for Christmas.

Bobby Yow is spending this week with his aunt, Mrs. Floyd Rowland at Sheffield.

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Bullard are

home for Christmas. Mrs. Bullard will be remembered as Imogene Ledgewood.

HUBBARD SALEM

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Grisham and children and Mrs. Mattie Hallie of Iuka, Rt. 2, spent Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Toy Jr. Bonds and son also Mrs. Della Bullard.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jones and children spent Sunday with Walter Jones and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Toy Jr. Bonds and son visited Mr. T. W. Bonds and family late Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Richard Oneal, Leon Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Copus who are employed in Detroit, Michigan arrived Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. L. L. Davis and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jozie Johnson and daughter have returned from Kenosha, Wisconsin where he has been employed.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bonds and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Toy Jr. Bonds and son Sunday night.

BANK DEPOSITS

Total bank deposits in the United States last year amounted to more than 170 billion dollars the American Peoples Encyclopedia Yearbook for 1953 reports.

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Drive Safely And Enjoy Christmas Warns Patrol

Colonel T. B. Birdsong, Commissioner of Public Safety, today reviewed the accidents which happened on Mississippi streets and Highways last December, and especially during the Christmas Holidays, "December is always a bad month for traffic accidents, but last December was the worst in the history of the Highway Patrol with 67 persons being killed in Mississippi in traffic accidents. On Christmas Day last year, 54 accidents were reported to the Patrol with 7 killed and 19 injured, and for the four-day period 156 accidents were reported with 24 persons killed and 68 injured. Yes, 24 persons were killed on Mississippi streets and Highways during the time that should be the most joyous of the year, but was the saddest for many homes."

Colonel Birdsong stated further, "we hope we will not have a repeat performance this year. We can prevent these accidents, save life and property by doing the following:

1. Start automobile trips early and take it easy. Obey all traffic laws. Be extremely careful in bad weather and darkness.
2. Drivers, watch for pedestrians, watch out for cars.
3. Don't drink and drive. "Tip-sy" pedestrians and drivers are most common during the Holidays.

We in the Highway Patrol are going to do our part. All vacations and days off have been cancelled for the Holiday period. All patrolmen, including Headquarters Staff Personnel will be working around the clock to prevent accidents. Won't you, Mr. driver and walker, help us to save your life by driving and walking safely, and we will all enjoy Christmas and New Year together? With the help of all our citizens we can prevent all accidents. Will You Do Your Part?"

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy 5 years old. I have tried to be good and I help my mother and daddy. I want you to come see me Christmas and bring me a road grader, a wagon and a doctor set. I like to play cowboy so please bring me some cowboy boots and a cowboy hat. I have a little sister and she wants some little dishes, a doll cradle and a little telephone. I will leave you some cake and coca cola.

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BURNSVILLE P. T. A. SPONSORS TALENT SHOW

A talent show sponsored by the Burnsville P. T. A. was presented at the Burnsville High School on Friday night, December 4th. The program was thoroughly enjoyed by the large crowd present.

First to appear were performers from the elementary school. Numbers on this portion of the program were "Not Scared", Horace Owens; "Dolly's Sickness", Rita Wright; Song, "Crying In The Chapel", Delight Nagle; "My Neighbors", Sue Gilliland; "Time To Rise", Dona Foote; reading, Jerry Hatcher; Song, Haroldine Pyle; and a piano solo, Bobby Harwell.

The High School portion of the program was presented by the Riviera Club and numbers in it were, "The Dancing Dolls", Betty Yarbrough and Betty McMeans; "The Comedian", Bertha Osborn; "The Gaylords", Juanita Helton, Ruth Edwards, Emogene Laird; "Rita Faye", Opal Ann Rhodes; "The Chorus Girls", Doris Rhodes, Meskel Whitehurst, Dione Strickland, Genelle Linton; Jean and Her Magic Accordion, Jean Bonds; Song, Sue Hubbard.

Numbers and those appearing on the P. T. A. part of the program were, piano solo, Barbara Tackett; reading, Mrs. Roy Adams; "Painful Comedy", Jimmy Rhodes and Bobby Kennedy;



DONALD CRANE of Holcut is a 4-H club member and has chosen forestry as his main project. His other projects are corn, pigs, beef cattle, and tractor maintenance.

fully decorated carrying out the holiday motif with a large Christmas tree placed in the den being the center of attraction.

After everyone had their fill of hot-dogs, pronto-pups, cokes and cookies the group enjoyed games, the latest recordings and the exchange of Christmas gifts.

MRS. LOMENICK HOSTESS TO OLDHAM HDC

The Oldham Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. Mae Lomenick December 11th for the Christmas program and business meeting.

The club was called to order by Mrs. Blanche Daugherty, Devotional by Mrs. Lizzie Carr, fol-

lowed by prayer by Mrs. Myrtle Stormont. Mrs. Stormont also gave the Christmas story. Roll was called with each member answering with a Bible verse. Minutes were read by the new secretary, Miss Velvie Medley.

There were 11 members and 4 visitors present. Mrs. Myrtle Stormont was welcomed into the membership of the club. Mrs. Blanche Daugherty pre-

sided at the exchange one present in appreciation to the club. Daily and a nice gift. The home refreshment adjourned in January. GO TO C



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Conclusion of the program was a baby show in which P. T. A. mothers and high school boys dressed as babies participated. Mrs. Luther Strickland's baby was judged winner. J. L. Cummings served as judge.

Pies, baked by the P. T. A. ladies, were given as prizes in cake walks.

All present enjoyed the program so well that another one is being planned to be presented soon.

Letters To Santa

December 10, 1953

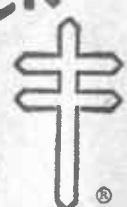
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl three years old. Please bring me a ball and a doll and coloring book and colors. I have been a very good little girl. I love you Santa.

Patsy Irene Wilson,
Iuka, Miss. Rt. 2

BURNSVILLE, MISS.
December 14th, 1953

Dear Santa,
Will you please come to our house Christmas eve night. I am a little boy 8 years old. I want a bicycle and a big truck. I have sisters. My oldest sister's name is Annette. She wants a doll and doll house and some dishes. My

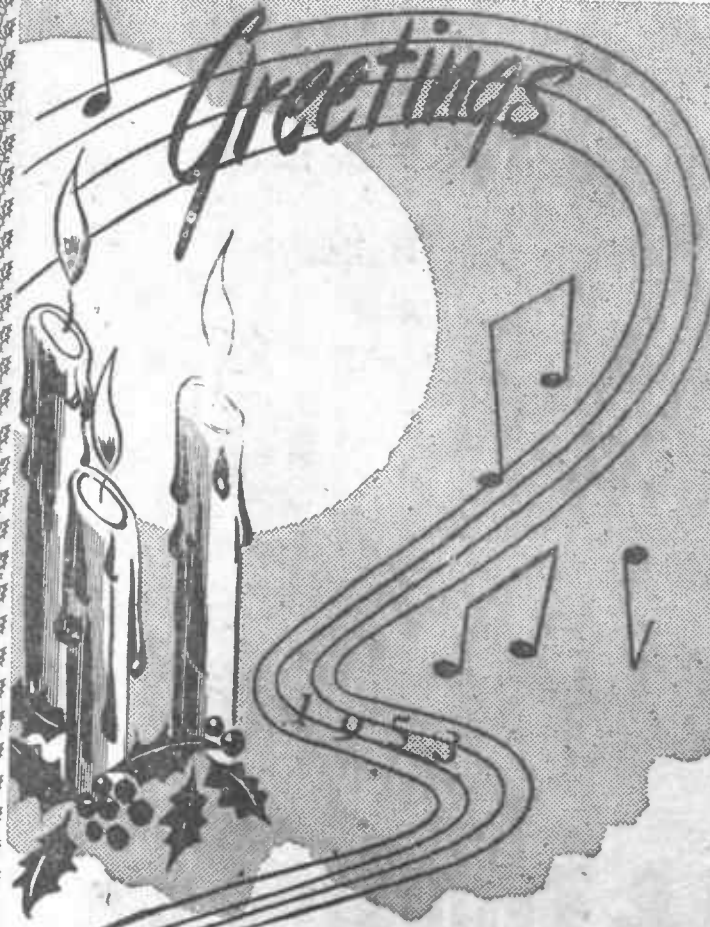
DON'T FORGET YOUR CHRISTMAS SEAL LETTER— fight TB



baby sister's name is Hilda Gay. She wants a doll and doll buggy. They are 6 and 3. Santa we have been very good. Please don't forget us and be good to all the little boys and girls everywhere. My name is Jerry. I forgot to tell you, so please bring these things we have asked for.

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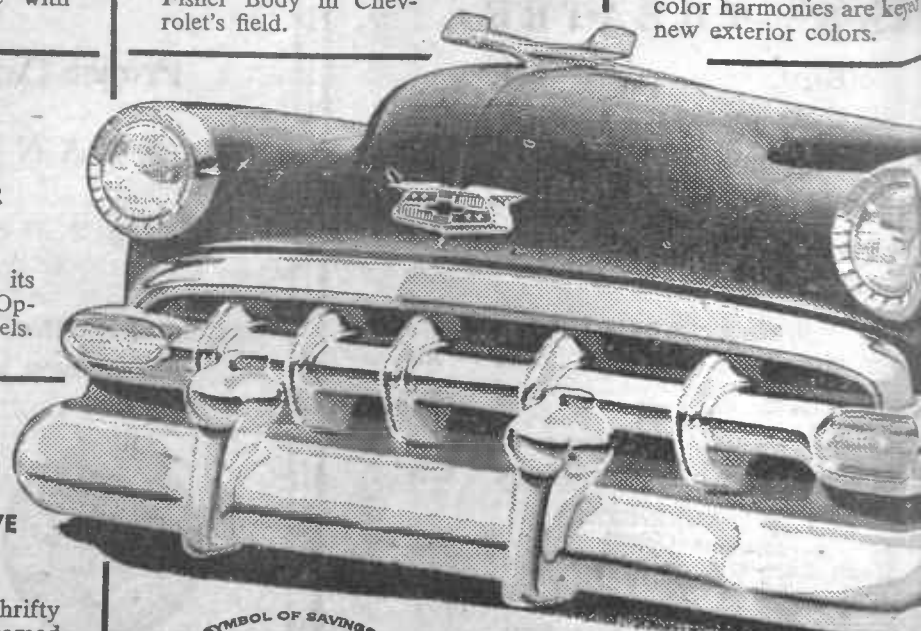
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PERSONALS

Attending the plant to prosper contest in Memphis Thursday were Miss Imogene Bynum, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Quinn, Tishomingo County winners, W. C. Hamilton, C. B. Betterton, E. N. Allen and R. C. Tice.

Miss Edith Scruggs visited in Memphis last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hamilton spent the week end in Eupora and attended the annual Lion's Club dance.

Mrs. R. J. Brown left Saturday night for a visit with her son, Dr. Jim Brown of Kingsport, Tenn.

Mrs. Leon Phillips and Mrs. W. C. Hamilton spent Wednesday in Memphis.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hamlin and baby of Saron, Tennessee visited Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Goben over the week end. Mrs. Hamlin and baby will remain here the rest of this week.

R. J. Goben and Mr. Cook of Memphis visited in Iuka Friday.

Miss Imogene Bynum spent the week end in Booneville.

Mrs. Ann Byrd spent Friday in Memphis shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Finlay, Jr. and Ellen of Vicksburg, Rev. and Mrs. N. N. Maxey, Macon and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Odom of Hernando will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Dexter and Mrs. W. F. Bonds.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Finch have Braxton and sons of St. Louis and Barry, who is stationed in San Antonio, Texas home for the holidays.

Sidney Barrette Edwards is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dean Hubbard and family of Memphis spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. John Hubbard.

Little Josephine Watson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harris Watson, enrolled in the Mississippi School of Deaf, is at home for the holidays and will remain until the 3rd of January.

After a state-wide tour of Missouri and several weeks at the University of New Mexico at Albuquerque, Miss Jean Murphy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Murphy, formerly of Iuka, now at Cherokee, has finally settled in Greenville, Texas where she is employed with Wallace Studios.

Miss Murphy is spending the Christmas holidays with friends and relatives of Iuka and Cherokee.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Aultman and son will spend Christmas Day with Mrs. Will D. Knapp of Holly Springs. Mrs. Knapp plans to accompany them home for the remainder of the holidays.

Lt. James Melton Whitehouse of Fort Knox, enroute to his home in Columbus, spent Monday night with his father, Mr. James Whitehouse. Mr. Whitehouse, manager of the Mammoth Hosiery Mill, left Wednesday night to spend the holidays with his family in Columbus.

Billy Wayne Daniel who is stationed in Cheyenne, Wyo., is spending a two weeks leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Daniel.

Mrs. Ralph Daniel and son left Tuesday for Fort Smith, Arkansas to spend the holidays with her parents.

James Hardy Holder, Jr. and family of Nashville and W. S. Boswell and family of Cleveland will spend Christmas with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Holder.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Gann and children will leave Friday for a two weeks vacation in New Orleans.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Pankey of Corinth visited Mrs. Mary James and Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Harwell Sunday.

gayest season of all the year. The day which the traditional Christmas carols and hymns have been proclaiming and honoring for weeks ahead. This is the day the little ones and Moms and Dads and all open the gay, mysterious packages that have collected under the tree.

On Christmas morn, as the packages are opened, you'll save a lot of afterwards picking up, if you'll bring in the laundry basket or a large carton to drop the gift wrappings in. It will help you save in good order some of the ribbons and papers you might use again next year, or during the year. Even crinkled and torn tissues, make good packing materials for fragile or breakable gifts prepared all during the year.

Christmas Customs

We here in America have fallen heir to many heart warming, home loving customs of many lands—Christmas cards, Carols, Christmas greens and candles, and even Jolly Old Saint Nick.

In ancient times, people held nature in reverence and sought to bless their homes by bringing into the woodland spirits that they believed lived in all growing things. From this primitive belief has come our custom of Yule Logs, mistletoe and other greens in our home at Christmas. Legend tells us that on the first Christmas night all the trees and flowers blossomed forth.

The Christmas Tree came with those of German descent. Probably from a still older German custom of greeting guests on Christmas Day with small trees ablaze with candles.

And Jolly Old St. Nick also has a German touch. Originally he came on December 6 to see if the small boys and girls had been good. If he found they had, then on Christmas Day the Christ Child brought them presents.

This beloved fellow, St. Nicholas, really seems to know no national boundaries. He appears in some form or other here and there and everywhere. In Holland, he wears a red Bishop's robe, has a long white beard, rides on a white horse and brings gifts to fill small wooden shoes. In Iceland, Santa comes in the form of a tiny elf.

From Italy and Spain comes our custom of setting up the manger scene in our homes, churches and other places. In Italy this scene is the center of the family's celebration.

In Ireland every house has a candle in its front window to light the Christ Child on his way. In Syria, lighted candles shining in windows are symbolic of the season. In far off Labrador, children receive little lighted candles set in turnips at church service. The use of candles appear in many lands and every American home has its share of candle light at Christmas.

Candlewax Stains

An the use of candles at Christmas, brings the question of removing the drippings from table linens.

The first step is to scrape the hardened wax from the surface of the cloth gently with a dull knife. Then sponge the stain with cleaning fluid, as you would treat any grease spot. If any traces of color are left, you can usually remove them by sponging with a cloth dipped in a mixture of two parts water to one part rubbing alcohol.

Remember the safe way, whenever you use cleaning fluid: Use it outdoors or in a well ventilated room.

County Agent News

By
W. C. Hamilton
Representing
Mississippi State College

Your County Agricultural Extension Service staff all join in wishing you and yours a very Merry Christmas and most successful New Year.

Christmas day is not the time to see how much work you can do. I wish it were possible for all of us to just take the day off and not do anything. However, some work, especially that of dairymen and poultry producers is an every day job and cannot be postponed.

If possible, try to take some time off from the routine and enjoy yourself this holiday season. You dairymen and poultrymen, do the work that is absolutely necessary but don't try to think up some additional jobs to do.

While observing Christmas this year, take a little time to think about the real meaning of the Day—not just the commercialized modern version. You know Christmas has a far deeper significance than just another holiday and a time to give Christmas presents. These are just outward signs of the real meaning of Christmas.

Here Are Some
After Christmas Suggestions

Watch your pigs for signs of hog influenza. Infected pigs are listless and won't eat. Other symptoms of the disease are loss of weight, labored breathing, watery eyes and coughing.

Once the disease appears it can spread through your herd. While pigs with flu seldom die, they take about a week to recover and there is also the danger of flu turning into pneumonia.

Prevent flu before you have to cure it. Don't let pigs sleep outside or in damp drafty houses. Feed balanced rations and keep animals free from parasites.

Heavy pruning of peach and apple trees will reduce yields. Thin bearing peach trees only moderately. Head back the branches and remove dead and damaged branches.

In pruning young peach trees, provide a framework of three to five branches spaced six to eight inches apart on the trunk with the lowest branch about 18 inches

above the ground. To prune old trees, remove the branches near the ground that are completely shaded out by those above. Also prune out dead, broken and crossing branches and water sprouts. In young apple trees maintain a central trunk or leader and prevent sharp crotches by removing limbs that threaten to form such crotches.



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To Every Member
of Your Family...
Merry Christmas

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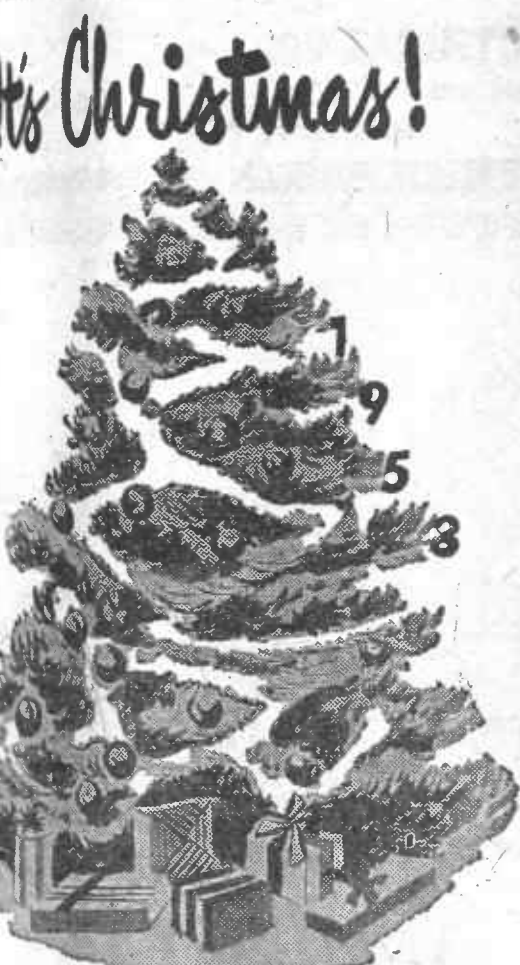
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Fill Home Freezer While Broilers At Seasonal Low Price

With the current seasonal low in the broiler price, homemakers are advised to fill home freezers or lockers with broilers, according to Paul Yount, poultryman of the Agricultural Extension Service.

"The quality is top, because broilers grow fast in cold weather and go on the market young, tender and tasty," he pointed out.

Almost every county in Mississippi is producing these quality broilers at the seasonal low price. The state will grow and market some 35,000,000 of the birds this year.

"We do not know how long this low price will prevail, so now is the time if you want to fill your home freezer or locker," Mr. Yount added.

TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB MEMBERS ENJOY CHRISTMAS PARTY

The associate members of the Twentieth Century Club, Mrs. Douglas Altman, Mrs. James McAmis, and Mrs. William Curtis entertained the regular members with the annual Christmas social on December 17, at 7:00 p.m. A dinner consisting of chicken and dressing and all the trimmings was served in the pine paneled private dining room at the Pan-Am cafe.

At the conclusion of dinner, the gifts under the Christmas tree were distributed by Santa to the following: Mrs. Bryce Kitchens, Mrs. B. L. Pruitt, Mrs. Nolan Pruitt, Mrs. J. B. Stormont, Jr., Mrs. H. F. Chambers, Mrs. Herman Gann, Mrs. James L. Dean, Mrs. Robert E. Harwell, Mrs. Kermit Rushing, Mrs. P. L. Sweeney, Mrs. Minor Nixon, Mrs. J. O. Clark, Mrs. E. E. Cutshall, and Mrs. O. T. Gaines. Mrs. W. R. Jourdan, Mrs. Austin Drake and Dr. Mary J. Ward were unable to attend.

JANET GANN CELEBRATES 3RD BIRTHDAY

Little Janet Gann celebrated her 3rd birthday Monday. A number of Janet's young friends were invited over for lunch.

Hamburgers, birthday cake and ice cream were served. Janet received a nice selection of gifts.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Austin Smith and daughter Cubby arrived Sunday from Fayetteville, Arkansas to spend the holidays with Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Thorn.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Cox and Mr. and Mrs. David Cox of New Albany visited Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Murrah and family last week end.

Mrs. Victoria Gravette will spend the holiday with relatives

Central States News Views



SIGHT for "four eyes" is Miss Nancy Ann Miller, of Mt. Prospect, Ill., named "Miss Specs Appeal" in nationwide contest. Pretty blonde, 21, proves that glasses don't detract a bit from a girl's appearance.



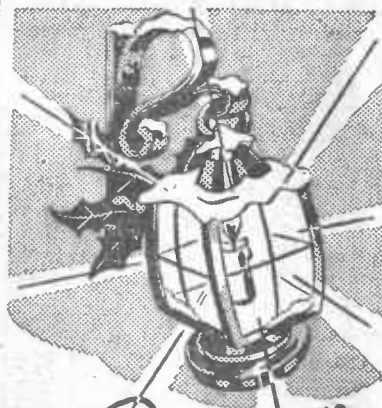
OVERSEAS—Sgt. Gene Gale, of Faribault, Minn., stationed at Tokyo General Dispensary, takes turn at bottle-feeding tiny Japanese orphan. GI's at Dispensary provided funds for year-round milk supply for all tots at nearby orphanage.



THIS IS HAY, being loaded in upstate New York for drought areas in Mid-America. Eastern railroads volunteered 50 per cent rate reduction on hay shipments as drought-relief contribution.

BEER SALES RISE

Beer and ale sales increased in 1953 despite the fact that there were fewer breweries operating than in 1951, according to the American Peoples Encyclopedia 1953 Yearbook.



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Whether the scheduled hike in the Social Security tax from 1 1/2 to 2 percent (on employee and employer alike) is cancelled as President Eisenhower has asked, or goes through as Chairman Dan Reed of the House Ways and Means committee thinks it should; we think it is time for our elected leaders to make up their minds whether it is insurance or charity.

If it is insurance, whoever has kicked in for it should get it at age 65—even if he should want to keep working, and earn \$75 or \$7500 a month. If it's charity, then it shouldn't go to people

with large unearned incomes.

And certainly, in these times, when brains and experience are needed, any law that penalizes a useful citizen for working after age 65 is downright immoral.

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Report To The People Of Mississippi United States Senator John Stennis

During the last five weeks I have made a County Courthouse tour of every section of Mississippi making 47 speeches in 37 towns. These included speeches in houses and before some civic, church and school groups. Finally, it was my privilege to address a joint session of our State Legislature. At many of these engagements I invited questions from the audience at the conclusion of my remarks. Based on

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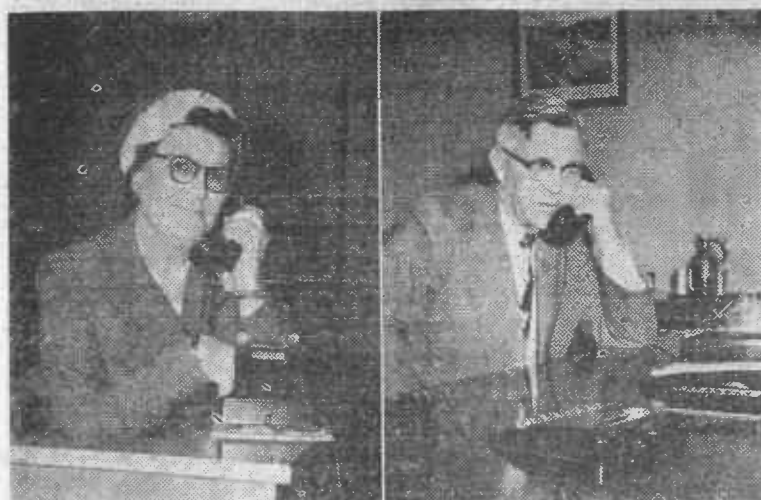
fairly accurate estimates, I addressed about 16,000 people.

These annual State tours are my method of bringing the problems of the government directly to the people in their home communities and of giving them a chance to talk directly to me of these problems and to suggest remedies. These direct contacts inform me as well as inspire me as I meet and exchange ideas with thousands of people throughout the State each year.

I personally inspected much of our levee and flood control system in the Delta area, the Waterways Experiment Station in Vicksburg, some of our Agricultural Experiment Stations over the State, and other Federal installations, so as to be able to better represent the needs of our people in Washington as to these items. I have visited all of the military installations of our State. In 1954 I shall continue these tours and shall visit more of the Agricultural Experiment Stations, our national forests, our flood control work and other Federal activities.

In an effort to bring some helpful information to our young people, and because of my special interest in their work, I made a special effort to visit our tax-support junior colleges. I found active and alert students, faculties and administrators doing splendid work in expanded and enlarged programs that include some timely vocational training of the highest order. One purpose of these visits was to encourage our young people to take every advantage of their training

LADY MAYOR LEADS IN RURAL TELEPHONE DAY CELEBRATION



At close of rural telephone day program at Burnsville, Mrs. A. H. Montgomery, the town's first woman mayor, puts in the first long distance call over the newly completed rural dial system. On the other end of the line, in Jackson, was J. M. Phillips, Mississippi Manager for the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company.

BURNSVILLE — This North Mississippi town, distinguished for its all-woman government, has a new distinction today—a brand new rural dial telephone system just completed by the Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company.

A large crowd was on hand Friday at the Burnsville High School where Mrs. A. H. Montgomery, the town's woman mayor, delivered the welcoming address in ceremonies marking the inauguration of service over the new rural telephone lines.

Mayor John H. Allen, of Iuka, also had a part in the program and Honorable Howard H. Little, member of the Mississippi Public Service Commission, spoke for the state in inaugurating the new facilities.

The Reverend J. A. Blount of Burnsville, read the Invocation and the Benediction was given by the Reverend W. F. Appleby. L. V. Edwards acted as Master of Ceremonies for the affair which was sponsored by the citizens of Burnsville.

Telephone Company representatives taking part in the celebration were L. C. Parker, of Tupelo, District Manager for Southern Bell and W. G. Hardin, the company's manager in Corinth.

Mr. Hardin told his listeners that the newly completed facilities will provide modern rural dial telephone service for approximately 125 new customers in Burnsville and in the communities of Leedy and Holt, as well as a wide area along U. S. Highway 72 between Iuka and Burnsville.

"An important feature of the project," Mr. Hardin said, "is the modern rural dial switching unit in Burnsville which is housed in years and to seek a future of happiness and service in Mississippi, and in their home counties if possible. I was much impressed with the student bodies in our junior colleges and the programs of training that are offered there.

On December 4 I returned to Washington to attend the Supreme Court arguments in the school of segregation cases and also to buttonhole as many of the Senators as possible as they begin to arrive, and personally explain to them our dire need for legislation early in January permitting additional cotton acreage. On November 30 I wrote Secretary Benson urging him to specifically say that he would recommend to Congress in January

a new building constructed to receive it.

The rural dial switching unit here, District Manager informed the audience, is one of four such units to be installed in the State within a month and one of approximately twenty of these units which Southern Bell has placed in service for rural Mississippians since December, 1949.

The new rural dial switching unit at Burnsville is connected by trunk lines to the Iuka exchange. All the new telephones, therefore, are considered a part of the Iuka exchange. The monthly rates paid by the new customers entitle them to an unlimited number of calls to any other local telephone connected to the Iuka exchange without any additional charge.

Total cost of the new project was approximately \$50,000. Mr. Parker stated. The company's facilities were placed on about 400 poles. Approximately 280 poles belonging to the Tishomingo Electric Power Association were used for telephone facilities by a joint-use rental agreement between the two utilities.

W. J. Brinkley, the Power Association's Manager, was one of the participants in the program which closed with the placing of the first long distance call by Her Honor, Mayor A. H. Montgomery to J. M. Phillips, of Jackson, State Manager for Southern Bell; and the first local call over the new facilities by young Monty McClesky to Dr. A. H. Montgomery.

Southern Bell Manager Phillips stated that the project just completed here is part of a great program of improvement and expansion in Mississippi in which the telephone company has invested approximately 80 million dollars in the past eight years.

uary passage of a law providing for at least 3.4 million additional acres and am glad to note that the Secretary now says that he will recommend a law providing for 3 million additional acres. His recommendations are timely and helpful. This acreage will relieve some of the inequities in the cotton allotments. I believe the Secretary's definite recom-

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mendation assures a law for an additional 3 million acres, and hope it will be more. The problem remains of apportioning this additional acreage by a law to be proposed in January.

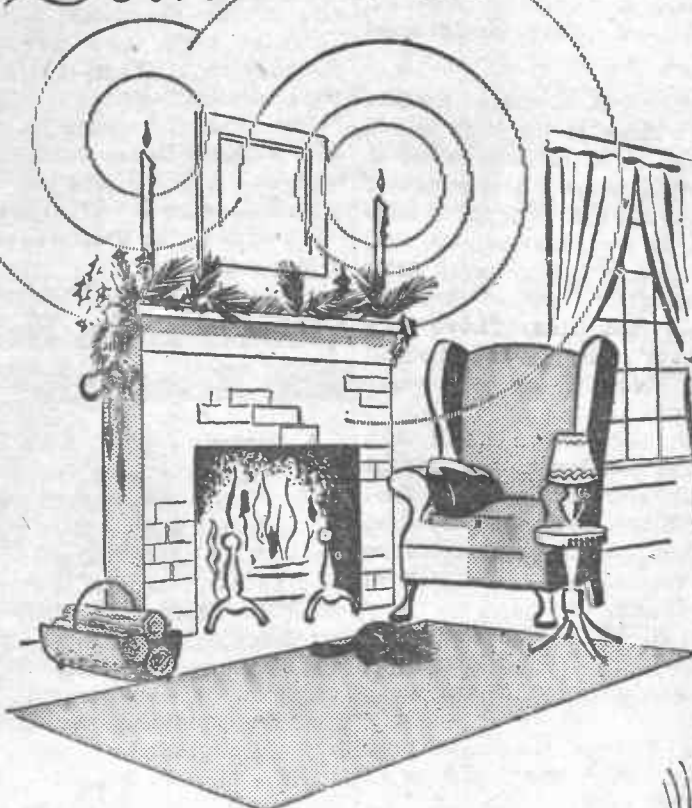
The 1954 Congress faces many serious and far-reaching problems, including (1) the farm program; (2) reciprocal trade extension; (3) taxes; (4) the national debt; (5) a balanced budget; (6) military spending; (7) Taft-Hartley amendments; (8) social security extension; (9) Hawaii and Alaska statehood bills; (10) F. E. P. C. Hovering over these and other problems are the 1954 elections, where the entire House and one-third of the Senate are up for re-election, with the Party-line division already virtually equal in both Houses and Senate. President Eisenhower is facing serious splits within his own party on some major matters, but will be sustained on much of his program by many Democrats, particularly on questions of military defense and foreign trade.

I shall be glad to hear from anyone with constructive criticisms or suggestions regarding these or any other questions, and shall give personal attention to them. I hope this has been a busy and happy year for you; it has for me. As we face 1954 with confidence in ourselves and in God, I hope it brings you many worthwhile satisfactions of life.

Your friend,
John Stennis,
United States Senator

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY

Season's Best



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at your fireside
to greet you personally,
Merry Christmas.

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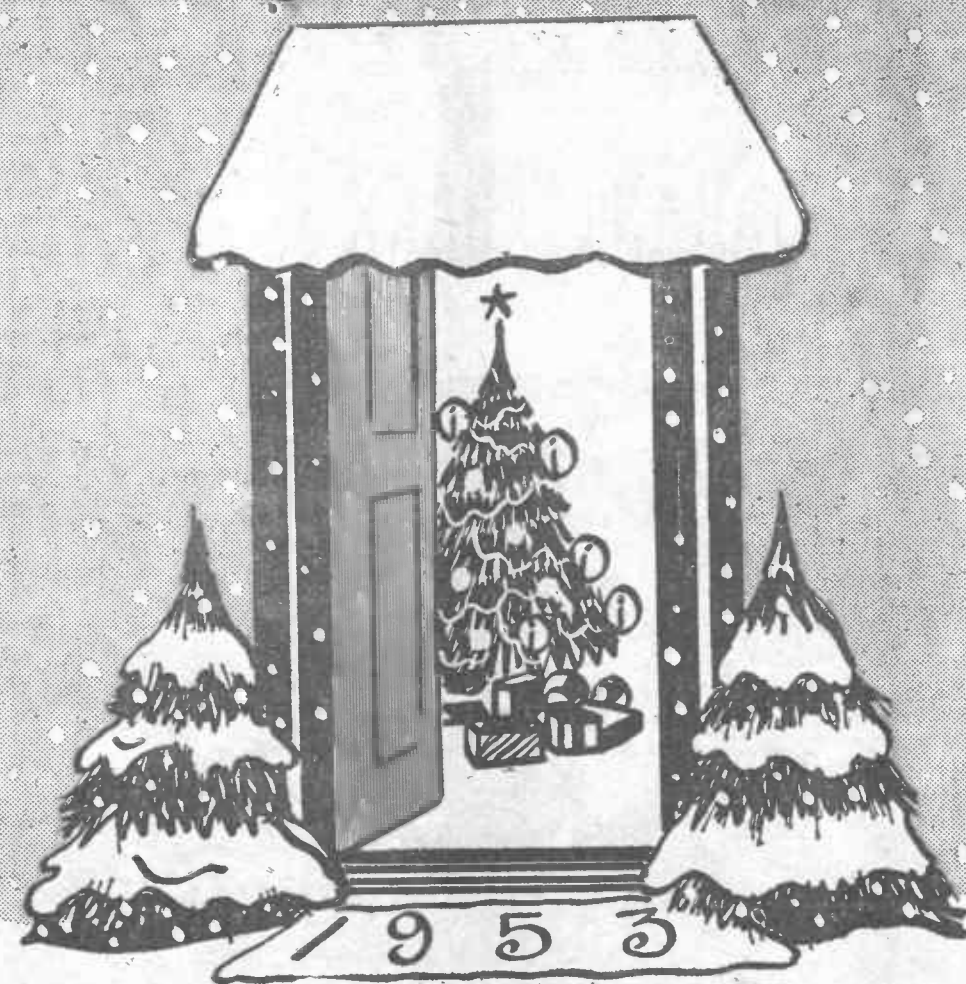
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★ BURNSVILLE

Women's W. M. U. met Tuesday afternoon at the Baptist Church. There were 18 present. We had a wonderful meeting. Wish more ladies would meet with us.

The P. T. A. sponsored another Talent Show at the High School Friday night. It was fine. A Christmas program was presented at the Baptist Church Sunday night by the Intermediates, Jrs., Primaries and Beginners. After the program Mrs. Edwards showed the film, "Love Thy Neighbor", then we exchanged gifts. Everyone sure did enjoy it. We invite everyone to attend Sunday School and church with us each Sunday at the Baptist Church. Our new pastor is Rev. J. A. Blunt. Everyone sure does like him. If you can't come be with us, attend the church of your choice.

Mr. H. M. Marlar, Senatobia, Miss., son of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Marlar was home for the week end.

Mrs. Charles Harrington and baby daughter spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Marlar.

Mrs. J. R. Lambert died Sunday afternoon. Funeral was held at the Tabernacle Monday at 1:00

p.m. with Rev. Sharp officiating. Burial at Possum Trot graveyard. Mrs. Blunt's sister, Miss Sandra June Coker is spending a few days with her.

There will be an all night service at the Tabernacle Church Thursday night, also preaching Saturday night. Everyone is invited to attend.

The grammar school presented a program Friday morning. It sure was good. School was dismissed a week for Christmas.

We wish all the Vidette readers a Merry Christmas.

Comments On Here And Hereafter

A few years ago I read "Return to Religion" by Link. The author was a great psychologist. He did not know much about theology, but his philosophy was all right. For the last few years we have heard much from the psychologists about the danger of suppressed desires. Young people have been taught that what they want they have a right to have. Parents have taken the bride off youth. Modern education has said, "Do as you please." The world has waked up to find itself in the middle of a bad fix. It is refreshing to find an outstanding psychologist come back

to the old-time Christian philosophy which says, "Deny yourself. Do what you ought to do whether you feel like it or not. Think of the other fellow. Learn obedience." Link even accepts the old orthodox position of human depravity. He admits that man is really a fallen creature. He agrees with the fundamentalist that sin is really, sin. Return to Religion is very comforting to some of us old-time parents who reared our children under the old-time methods of discipline and self-control. I do not agree with the author in all he says, but his philosophy is so good that I have an idea he got his theology straight. I hope so. Hurrah for the old-time philosophy and for the "old-time religion!"

A man who rejects the Bible's doctrine of human depravity can find no intelligent explanation for world conditions. Why do people do as they do? The Bible has the answer. They do as they do because they are as they are. In Adam all died. Like it or not, we are all born in sin. Man in himself is helpless. He cannot even think right—that is, he cannot think right along moral lines. The Bible makes it clear that as a man thinks in his heart, so is he. How is a man who cannot think straight going to live straight? No man can live straight until he is born again. He has to have a new nature. Unregenerated men may be restrained, but unregenerated men cannot live right. Unregenerated men cannot keep a world out of war, because man who is in rebellion against God will sooner or later be in rebellion against his fellowman. We are living in a day when no intelligent man would want war, but we are preparing for war, because somehow or other, we know that war is inevitable. We rarely ever meet an optimist. Man said years ago, "we will have no more war," but we had war. Man has built his empires, and the dust of the centuries blows over them. Man cannot save himself in this world, and it certainly is not possible for him to save himself in eternity. We talk about peace, but the Bible makes it plain that there is no peace for the wicked men. We may hold off the fatal day, but the fateful day will come as long as natural men, in their natural unregenerated state, try to run the world. Jesus does offer peace, but He offers peace to men as individuals. He makes it plain that there will be no peace in this world until Jesus comes again. We have tried to educate men so they would be good, and they have used their education and training for destructive purposes. Christians can live together in peace; but even among evan-

Three Miles of Rock . . .



J. B. Tomlinson and Miss Mildred Darwin of the Gulf Refining Company's core analysis laboratory at Laurel are shown above with cores from Gulf's first Mississippi oil discovery which in 1943 established the Eucutta field in Wayne County, and the company's most recent success—the state's deepest producing well which is flowing oil from beneath the Soso gas field in Jones County.

"INNARDS" OF 24 STATE COUNTIES ANALYZED AT LAUREL LABORATORY

LAUREL, Miss. — (Special) — Over three miles of Mississippi "innards" have been tested, analyzed and catalogued in the Gulf Refining Company's core analysis laboratory at Laurel.

The records show that samples of rock from 513 Gulf wells in 24 Mississippi counties have passed through this unique Mississippi establishment.

J. B. Tomlinson, head of the Gulf core lab, said analysis of cores is a highly important tool in the search for and production of oil and gas.

"Cores" are cylindrical sections of rock strata taken from deep in the Earth during well drilling operations by means of a special drill bit.

Gulf scientists conduct various tests on these cores, catalog them, and correlate the information gained with data on other wells drilled in the area. Through such studies, geologists and geophysicists are constantly increasing their knowledge of Mississippi's "innards" and bettering their chances of finding additional oil and gas reservoirs.

Core analysis is also helpful in the conservation of oil and gas resources. Through tests perform-

ed on these rock samples, trained observers can determine the approximate amount of oil or gas present in a reservoir and can recommend well-spacing formulae and withdrawal rates which will assure optimum recovery of the valuable minerals.

Miss Mildred Darwin, Laurel native and graduate of Mississippi State College for Women, believes she has handled more Mississippi rock than any other Mississippian. She joined the staff of Gulf's core lab soon after Dr. G. E. Manger set up the operation in late 1944 and has been working in the Laurel laboratory longer than any of the present seven employees.

From a garage on the West side of Laurel which was its first home, the Gulf core lab has been moved into a modern structure adjacent to the Gulf office building in the heart of town. The staff has grown to seven technicians from the original group of three.

The core analysis laboratory at Laurel has become increasingly important to Gulf's operations in the southern states. Besides all Mississippi cores, samples from Gulf wells in Alabama, Florida, Arkansas and Louisiana are sent to Laurel for analysis.

CUMMINGS - NORRIS

Miss Betty Doris Cummings, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Cummings, became the bride of Sgt. Charles Delbert Norris, son of Mrs. Gracie Norris, on Monday, November 30th at Iuka.

Mrs. Norris graduated from Burnsville High School last April.

Sgt. Norris has served ten and a half years in the U. S. Army, was in World War II and spent one year in Korea. For the past two years has been stationed at Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Georgia. He is now on his way to Germany where Betty plans to join him in a few months.

CHRISTMAS

Below is a poem by C. B. Young, President of the Panola County bank, and dedicated to his old friend, Rev. J. H. Holder.

Christmas ain't what it used to be
When Jim and me were boys,
We never had so many "eats"
Nor half a hundred toys;
And as for oranges and grapes
And cocoanuts and limes,
We never knew that such things grew
Except 'round Christmas times.

And Jim and me were simple
We really believed our folks
When they would talk 'bout Santa Claus
We never saw the joke,
But just kept on believing
That Santa was a guy

Who came right down the chimney
With things they couldn't buy.
And if we got a little gun—
Or, maybe just a sled,
A drum, a horn, a pair of boots
Or a wagon, painted red,
My, my, we would strut about the place
As proud as proud could be.

But kids these days, my, my, I swan,
They have so much each day
That Christmas couldn't have the kick
It had for us, I'd say,
For if guns ain't real
And the dolls don't talk and sleep
And the radio get messages
From clear across the deep,

They feel cheated—
"Unluckiest kids"
And if there is a
He certainly has
But Jim and me
We were the
To live in days
scarce
And toys were
We cherished
months
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And grieved when
By one too rough
We still believe
more
Than coronets
And "simple
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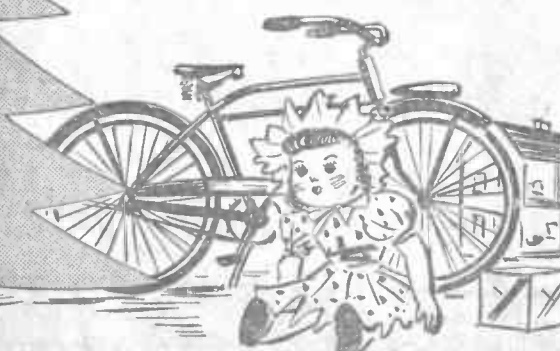
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Back To Korean Veterans

Iuka, Miss., Dec. 21—Veterans Administration today extended to Korean veterans that compensation payments for service-connected disabilities may be made retroactively to one of the different dates.

the VA Center at Jackson, listed the three dates as follows:

1. If the veteran files his application within a year from the date of separation from active service and VA finds that his service-connected disability was severe enough at separation to be compensable, compensation payments may be made retroactively to the day following the date of separation.
2. If the veteran files his application within a year from the date of separation, but his disability was not severe enough at separation to be compensable, compensation payments may be made retroactively to the date of separation.

made retroactive only to the date evidence shows the disability became severe enough to rate compensation.

3. If the veteran files his application later than one year after separation, compensation payments may be made retroactive to the date of filing of the claim or date of receipt of evidence showing entitlement, whichever is later.

Hinds said this does not indicate there is a time limit for filing. He said veterans may apply for disability compensation at any time during their lives.

Compensation may be paid monthly to veterans who have disabilities which are judged to have been incurred in or aggravated by service in the armed forces either during peacetime or wartime service. The peacetime rate is 80 percent of the wartime rate unless the disability resulted from extra-hazardous service, in which case the wartime rate may apply.

Disability claims for veterans in the Jackson office are, encompassing Mississippi are handled by the VA Center located on Lindberg Drive, Jackson.

LUCY ROWE CLUB ENJOYS YULETIDE MEETING

An evening of Christmas entertainment in a setting of gay holiday decorations was enjoyed by members of the Lucy Rowe Study Club last Thursday night in the home of Miss Marion McDonald.

For the occasion the living room was bright with decorations, the center of interest being a large Christmas tree trimmed with blue and silver balls. A beautiful poinsettia formed an attractive centerpiece for the coffee table. Throughout the



meeting recordings of Christmas carols were played.

Mrs. Eloise Smith presided over the business meeting opening with the members reading the club collect in unison and pledging allegiance to the flag. The club voted to donate \$5.00 to the Tishomingo County Tuberculosis Association and \$5.00 to the Vicksburg relief fund.

Gifts for the ten County Home patients were wrapped to be delivered Christmas eve. Fruit will be carried New Years Eve.

A special feature of the evening was the club Christmas tree where gifts were exchanged. Preceding the tree, Mrs. Eloise Smith gave Frank Carleton Nelson's "Christmas Meditation". The hostess served a lovely salad plate with spice tea to seventeen members and one visitor, Miss Edith Meaders.

The next meeting will be January 8th with Mrs. Leon Phillips as hostess. Miss Carolyn Crawford will have the program on International affairs and will have as her guest Miss Gladys Arakawa of Honolulu, Hawaii.

SNOWDOWN 4-H CLUB PLANS FOR NEW YEAR

Miss Bynum and Mr. Betterton met with us December 4th to conduct our first 4-H club meeting for the year of 1953-54. We filled out the membership cards for the coming year and elected the following officers:

Girls Club: President, Martha Sue Rhodes; Vice-President, Brynda Rutherford; Secretary, Peggy Daniel; Program Chairman, Mattie Lee Walker; Reporter, Judy Shackelford.

Boys Club: President, Billy Moore; Vice-President, Jimmy James; Secretary Eugene Watkins; Program Chairman, David McCully; Reporter, Leory Moore.

There are 47 members in the club. The next meeting is scheduled for January 12, 1954.

Leory Moore, Judy Shackelford, Reporters

PERSONALS

Mr. J. E. Clark spent a few days with his brother, Carlton Clark of Fulton, Ky., the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Pace, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Pace and son, Timothy will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Pace, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Clark.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Clark and family are: Sgt. and Mrs. Leonard L. Walker and family and friends from Louisiana, Sgt. D. P. Clark, Jr., Paris Island, S. C., Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Barnes and Joe Clark of Camden, Tennessee.

Sgt. Edgar T. Lewis of Carswell Air Force Base, Ft. Worth, Texas, son of W. E. Lewis, Iuka, Rt. 1, spent the week end with relatives. Sgt. Lewis will spend Christmas in Mexico City, Mexico with friends.

New Albany spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Carter. Dorothy Smith of Memphis is spending the holidays at home.

Cpl. Jimmy Jackson who is stationed at Ft. Jackson, S. C. will spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Jackson.

A/3c Donald Deaton is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Deaton and will remain until after the holidays before reporting back to Shepard Field near Wichita Falls, Texas.

Mrs. Cliff Phifer is back home from the hospital in Memphis. She is to return to the hospital on December 31st.

Mrs. Gertrude Diekmann of Mio, Michigan is spending the holidays with Mrs. T. A. Clark and family.

Mrs. T. A. Drake spent several days in Cosby Clinic last week suffering from a severe cold.

U. N. SCHOLARSHIPS

The United Nations distributed more than 2,500 scholarships and

fellowships during 1952 under its expanded Technical Assistance Administration program, the Yearbook for 1953 of the American Peoples Encyclopedia reports.

U. S. POPULATION

The total civilian population of the United States at the beginning of the year was approximately 158,000,000, the Yearbook for 1953 of the American Peoples Encyclopedia reports. Population in this country increased at an average monthly rate of 220,000 in 1952.

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Ann Judson Circle members met in the home of Mrs. Bill Jones Monday night for their December meeting. In the glow of a large lighted Christmas tree and holiday decorations, a most interesting Christmas program depicting, "God's Love For Us," was given under the direction of Mrs. Buster Ramsey, program leader.

The program began with the group singing the Christmas hymn, "Joy To The World." Assisting Mrs. Ramsey with parts of the program were Mrs. Herman Gann and Mrs. John B. Stormont.

Jr. A special, "Silent Night," was rendered by Mrs. Ramsey, Mrs. Aultman and Mrs. Byrom. Concluding the program the, "Littlest Angel," was read by Mrs. Byrom.

After the exchange of gifts the

hostess served delicious ice cream cake and coffee to the fifteen members present.

NATIONAL INCOME

National income in the United States in 1952 was estimated at \$290.5 billion, an increase of 4.6 per cent over the \$277.6 billion recorded in 1951. Personal income amounted to \$268.5 billion, which was 5.7 per cent higher than in 1951. The American Peoples Encyclopedia 1953 Yearbook reports that wholesale prices rose by only 2 per cent, which meant that there was an increase in national and personal income in real terms as well as dollar value.

SOIL CONSERVATION DIST.

Eighty-four per cent of the agricultural land in the United States has now been incorporated in soil conservation districts, the 1953 Yearbook of the American Peoples Encyclopedia reports. More progress in the field of soil conservation was reported last year than in any other year in history, it stated.

**FILLERS — onh-4
FOREST LAND**

There are 622 million acres of forest land in the United States, the 1953 Yearbook of the American Peoples Encyclopedia reports. Of this total, 461 million acres is considered to bear commercially valuable timber.

TOMATO YIELD

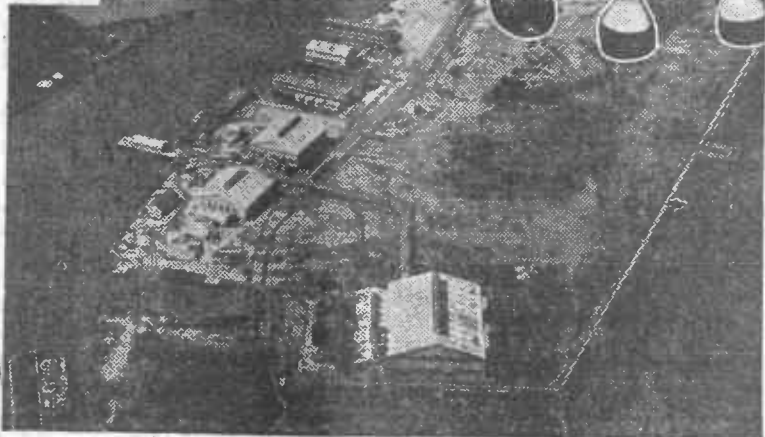
An acre of tomato plants will yield from 5 to 20 tons of tomatoes, according to the American Peoples Encyclopedia 1953 Yearbook.

Central States News Views

"PODNER"—Hank Bauer, New York Yankee star, enjoys chance to play with his young son, Henry Jr., during off-season at his Kansas City home.



LEST WE FORGET—Bleak winter may chill memory of one of the mildest autumns in Midwest history. This reminder shows pretty Donna Darelus sunbathing at Lake Calhoun near Minneapolis—in November!



NEW SOURCE—Air view of new \$14,000,000 mining plant of Freeport Sulphur Company at Garden Island Bay, La., near mouth of Mississippi River and 45 miles from nearest industrial plant. Largest sulphur development in last 20 years, it will turn out 500,000 tons a year at peak organization.



MISSISSIPPI FORESTRY QUEENS PUT ON ICE—Mississippi Forestry Queen Mary Ann Mobley (left to right), Brandon; and District Queens Elaine Coker, Toombsuba; Frances Ganann, Isola; Nancy Winders, Michigan City (state runner-up); Eva Jordan, Mt. Olive, and Mrs. William May, Jackson, wife of an Illinois Central Railroad Forester and chaperon, take their first ice-skating lesson at the indoor Chicago Arena. This was one of many exciting events enjoyed by the girls during their two day prize-winning trip to the Windy City. The Chicago trip on the Illinois Central's "Panama Limited" and "City of New Orleans" was sponsored by the Mississippi Forestry Commission as part of a recent statewide contest.

SALVATION ARMY

The International Salvation Army operated in 89 countries and preached its gospel in 81 languages last year. Its 16,879 corps and outposts and 1,739 institutions were manned by 26,608 officers, and 18,217 employees, according to the American Peoples Encyclopedia 1953 Yearbook.

NUMBER OF PAPERS

U. S. daily newspapers now total 1,786—the largest number since 1942. Canada gained two evening papers during the past year bringing the total to 96 daily and 5 Sunday papers, it is reported in the 1953 American Peoples Encyclopedia Yearbook.

RECORD TOY SALES

The American toy industry enjoyed record sales in 1952, topping 1951 by 12.5 per cent in retail value, the Yearbook for 1953 of The American Peoples Encyclopedia reports. This increase was registered in the face of lower prices which were generally down 8 per cent from 1951.

HOURLY EARNINGS UP

The average hourly earnings of factory workers increased from \$1.64 in December, 1951, to \$1.73 in December, 1952, a gain of 5.5 per cent, the American Peoples Encyclopedia 1953 Yearbook reports.

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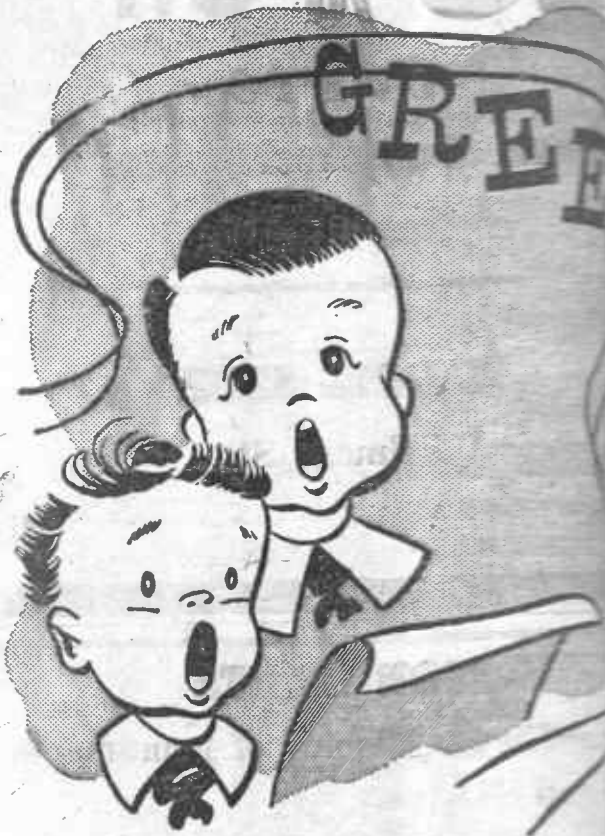
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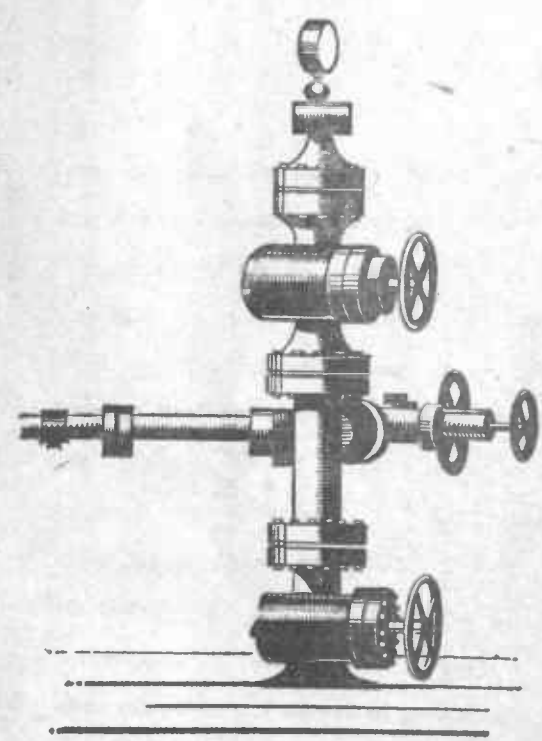
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No Gifts
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The pipes, wheels and gauges in this illustration make up what oilmen call a "Christmas Tree." To the oil and gas industry it is the symbol of a successfully completed, producing well.

Perhaps to the oilman who named it, or to a modern artist, this device looks like a Christmas tree, but there the similarity ends. In contrast to the yuletide gifts associated with conventional Christmas trees, the oil and gas industry usage of this term brings to mind the calculated risk of private capital in great sums against high odds—more than 20 to one in Mississippi—in the search for new oil and natural gas reservoirs.

Nature's "gifts"—if oil and gas can be called gifts—are far from free. The "Christmas Trees" which cap producing wells in 29 Mississippi counties are surface indications of the continuing battle with Nature in which the oil and gas industry, having invested over one billion dollars in its Mississippi operations, currently is spending nearly \$60 million per year in this state to find and develop these mineral resources... production of which is so vital to Mississippi's economic progress and the nation's military security.

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