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## Harbison Canyon Plans Annexation

### INTIMATE GLIMPSES...

By BEA

**OVERHEARD ON THE CHURCH STEPS:** You don't really know anything until you know it in human terms.

Kathy (Mrs. Don Cost) able choir director for the Alpine Community Church for the past seven years got a doll for Christmas. Kathy insists that she never wanted a doll, but an ad came in the mail from a grocery store with a place to sign your name for a prize. So Kathy signed her name and dropped the paper in the box at the store and forgot it until the phone rang a few days later and a cheery voice told her she had won a prize. Kathy, being one of these people who never win anything, dashed eagerly over to collect her prize and was astonished to have laid in her arms, a large Bride doll, the first prize of all. It is 25 inches high and beautifully costumed in bridal finery complete with lace veil and bouquet. Kathy carried it home wondering just what to do with this prize since her daughters, Carol and Helen, have outgrown playing with dolls. Mr. Cost suggested trading it back to the store for a beef roast, but his wife and daughters rejected this idea. After observing the doll for a while, Carol and Helen decided they were not too old to keep it as an ornament anyway.

Some of my favorite people are between the ages of three and 10; I cherish their profound views of life. One such came from Tom Banks of Poway who showed me his Christmas list of two columns: One was headed KIDS, the other GROAN-UPS.

Five year old "Dude" Richard Caggiano, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Caggiano of La Cresta, is accustomed to having a dime for milk in kindergarten and, when he started to Sunday School, a dime was given to him for the collection. The other Sunday his mother left him at his class and went on to her own adult one. A few more...

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### New Office Opens In El Cajon

A new, thoroughly modern office of chiropody with all new medical facilities available is being opened at 215 E. Douglas Avenue in El Cajon by Dr. H. Jay Allen. Dr. Allen specializes in orthopedic cases and special shoe problems.

His wife, Connie, is office manager of AIR FRANCE which will start jet service from Los Angeles to Paris in the near future.

### ECHOES OF THE PAST



THE ALPINE COMMUNITY CHURCH on Victoria Drive as it looked when nearing completion in the spring of 1953. The building of this \$50,000 little cathedral, with its very beautiful reredos, is a real triumph for the small congregation and the Minister, Dr. Roger Larson. On its first Christmas, the PAGEANT OF THE SHEPHERDS AND THE KINGS was staged and has been an annual event since that time.

### THE STORY OF SILENT NIGHT

The date was December 24, 1818; the scene St. Nikolas Church in the town of Oberndorf, Bavaria. Heavy snow made the beautiful little town look like a veritable Christmas card with the steeple of its church standing high above all the other roof tops. Inside the church the organist, Franz Gruber, a monk, was tinkering with the church organ and finally had to admit that he could not repair it. This seemed a calamity indeed for the whole town was looking forward to the mid-night mass when the Nativity would be celebrated with music and song. But the nearest repair man capable of fixing the organ was miles away in Tyrol and the heavy snow made it impossible for him to cross the mountain pass between.

As Franz Gruber turned sadly away from the organ, he saw his guitar lying on a seat nearby. It was the only other instrument he possessed and hardly suitable for the complicated music of the Christmas Mass. As he stood thinking so, another church man came in and Gruber told their plight to this friend, Josef Mohr. They agreed that the Mass must be held and with music, how they did not yet know.

Out in the early dark, walking home under the stars, Mohr thought of the night of the Savior's birth, silent and holy, and suddenly he began to think of it in the words of the famous carol. Sitting down by his lamp Mohr wrote the words down as they came to him, in all their strong

and simple beauty. He then hurried with them to Gruber, who, inspired by them, picked up his guitar and soon had plucked out the exactly right music for the words.

The Mid-night Mass was celebrated in St. Nikolas church without organ music, but with the new and beautiful special carol played by Franz Gruber on his guitar and sung by three voices. The congregation loved the song at once as did all who heard it and have heard it ever since.

At last when the snows subsided enough the repair man from Tyrol came and fixed the church organ. When he was there Gruber showed the man his new Christmas carol and played it on the organ for him. This man liked the song so much he asked for a copy which he took with him back to a family in his town famous for singing folk songs and for extended concert tours. Through this family "SILENT NIGHT, HOLY NIGHT" became known in Germany even better than it was known in its place of origin, Bavaria. After many years it was published as a German folk song. In 1857 its origin was traced and the true story became known even much later than that.

### J. McCorkle Passes

Mr. James McCorkle passed away suddenly on Monday afternoon while working in a field near his home on Alpine Heights Road.

### UNANIMOUS VOTE OF CONFIDENCE GIVEN TO JOIN RIO DISTRICT

Residents of Harbison Canyon are currently initiating a plan to annex to the Rio San Diego Municipal Water District. A meeting was held Monday evening in the Harbison Canyon Community Center to discuss the plan of the Canyon and any surrounding area whose residents might also be interested for annexation directly to the Rio District. A unified action by residents and property owners in various sections such as Alpine, Harbison Canyon, Dehesa and the Fletcher holdings may enable the entire area to join the San Diego County Water Authority and the Metropolitan Water District simultaneously which will result in a significant financial saving.

### ALPINE CHATTER

Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Collins of Alpine Heights Road were honored on their 40th wedding anniversary which was December 22 at a gathering of friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Collins, 9476 Grossmont Blvd., La Mesa. Guests included Miss Margaret Lowthian, Mr. Eugene L. Freeland, and Mrs. Renee Adams.

The regular meeting of the Alpine Youth Center will be held Monday night, January 3, 1960. At this meeting there will be election of officers and a few changes will be made in the by-laws as was agreed at the last meeting.

The Alpine Ramblers had an enjoyable Christmas party last Saturday night. Door prizes were won by Cliff Weber, George Dun and Tommy Dun. The teenagers then presented a lovely set of glasses to their sponsors. Refreshments were provided by the teenagers.

The annual Gamma Gamma Children's Party was held Sunday afternoon at the Youth Center. The children were all surprised when Santa arrived with a gift for each. The sorority members held their annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Frank Doerr last Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Wilcox en-  
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### Pageant Presented At Community Church

For the seventh year the PAGEANT OF THE SHEPHERDS AND THE KINGS was beautifully presented Sunday night at the Alpine Community Church.

A large audience enjoyed this impressive story of the Nativity. The production was under the direction of Mrs. Beatrice LaForce. The cast included the young people of the church with Mr. Don Cost playing the part of the Inn Keeper, Mrs. Cost directing the regular choir, Mrs. Clara Standen at the organ, and Dr. Roger Larson reading the scripture story.

After a discussion of many aspects of annexation and water entitlement procedure, the group expressed a unanimous vote of confidence in favor of annexation. About sixty persons were in attendance.

Sponsors of the plan are in the process of drafting petitions for circulation at an early date calling for annexation of the Harbison Canyon area directly to the Rio District.

### Fire Destroys House On Tavern Road

The cause of the fire which completely destroyed a house on Tavern Road belonging to Mr. Red Frey about midnight Saturday night has not definitely been determined although it may have been from an oil heater or a stove in the kitchen.

Apparently the fire started when Mr. Frey, who had been working on the house to prepare it for rental, left to get a cup of coffee. The terrific heat of the fire caused a drum containing a small amount of kerosene to explode which could have been dangerous to the crowd gathered to watch the fire.

The telephone wires of the neighboring house had been burned so the occupants had to go elsewhere to call the Volunteer Fire Department.

### Celebrates Birthday

A 45-year resident of Live Oak Springs, Fred Mastick, celebrated his 80th birthday with a dinner party.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Max Mastick and Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Mastick of Long Beach; Mrs. Maurine Haas and Mrs. Robert Dickson of San Diego; Mrs. Monroe Low and Mrs. Byrtle T. son of El Centro; Mrs. Paul and Mrs. James E. of Live Oak Springs; a grandchild, Byron, Sr. Jim, of Long Beach.

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## CAMPO NEWS

By **FAY FARRIS**

December 15, 1959 was the 46th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Martin of Morena Village, and the 16th was the birthday of Dave Lindemann, of Campo so both dates were celebrated together with a dinner at the home of the Martins on Monday evening. Mrs. John Pate and her son, Bill of Highway 94 (West) were also guests, and of course Mrs. Dave (Marie) Lindemann.

The birthday of Mrs. Frank Warren was celebrated on Thursday, December 17 at the home of Mrs. Pete Cooper on Buckman Springs Road. The guests were Pearl Deines, Alice Liggett, Pauline Morton, Alice Brown, Lola Palmer, the honored guest and the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonny Ison and family left Monday for Carlsbad, New Mexico, to spend Christmas with Mrs. Ison's father, and to see her friends, as she is from Carlsbad. They make this trip at this time of year quite regularly, but it has been two years since they went the last time. Her father visited her in Campo during this last summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Watson of Salida, Colorado, formerly of Morena Village will be visiting in this area after the holidays. Their daughter and family live in Walla Walla, Washington, and they have spent Christmas with them the last two years, and always come by Morena on their way home, where they visit Mrs. Watson's sister, Marguerite Shamblen.

The Rolland Cooks have sold their home in Lake Morena to Dr. Truman McVay of Pacific Beach. He is a chiropractor and has a wife and three daughters. The Morena dwelling will be used as a weekend home only.

The Mountain Empire Woman's Club held its Christmas dinner and party at the Pine Valley Club  
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## Black Mammy's Christmas Story

By **ZUELLA STERLING**

New England Poet, descended from Judge Jeremiah Page, brother of Molly Page, who married General Stark of Revolutionary fame.—Copyright applied for. (Used with permission of Mrs. Sylvia Head Williams, daughter of the author).

Come, honeys, gadder 'round de light;  
Heah Rufus, Jane an' Sam,—  
Jes' 'member dis am Christmas night  
An' listen to you' Mam.

Once, in de days dat am gwine by,  
De sun was mos' date hot  
Dat in de South at Christmas time  
'Twould bile de cookin' pot!

Well, Santa Claus he took a ride  
Clean frum de fur North Pole,  
An' 'pon my word, he lak' to died  
It was so mighty col'!

But when ole Santa Claus he come  
To whar de palm leaves grow—  
Lan' sakes! he sho' done wish he's back  
To whar dare's fros' an' snow!

An' what yo' t'ink was in his sacks?  
I 'speck yo'd lak to know—  
Coons, 'possums, melons, jumpin'-jacks,  
An' big tin horns to blow!

An' chickens—dey was in dare too;  
An' No'hs ark, it was dare;  
An' guns an' swords dat's bright an' new,  
An' dolls wid white folks' hair!

An' stacks an' stacks of sugar-plums,  
An' cakes dat frosted 'roun';  
An' heaps an' heaps of chewin'-gums,  
An' goodies by de poun'.

But when he went to git 'em out—  
Yo' chil'uns neber see  
De way he stomp bofe feet an' shout  
As mad as he could be!

Dose candy-goodies sho' done melt,  
An' t'ings was all stuck tight;—  
A kivered wid dat sugar-juice  
Dey was an awful sight!

An' No'h's ark, it was wuss of all  
Wid sweets a-triklin' froo;  
Fur Noah an' all his animiles  
Was stuck wid gum-drop glue!

So Santa Claus he writ a note  
As cross as it could be;—  
To send him back anudder pack  
On ice by C. O. D.

An' now he comes in ships wid wings  
A-flyin' froo de sky—  
Wid ice-cakes settin' on his t'ings  
He goes a'sailin' by!

Dare, chil'uns, scamper to yo' beds,  
An' I'll blow out de light;  
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Pilgrim Fellowship (Junior) ..... 8:00 P. M.  
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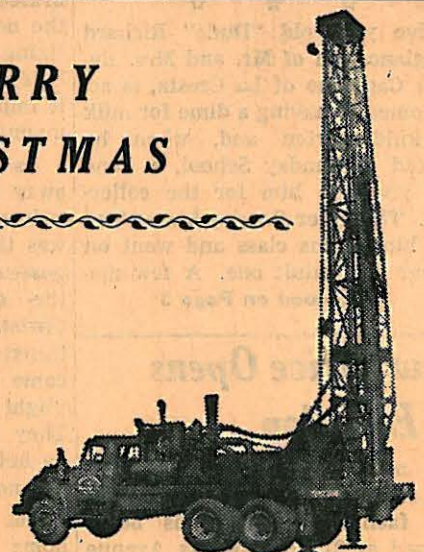
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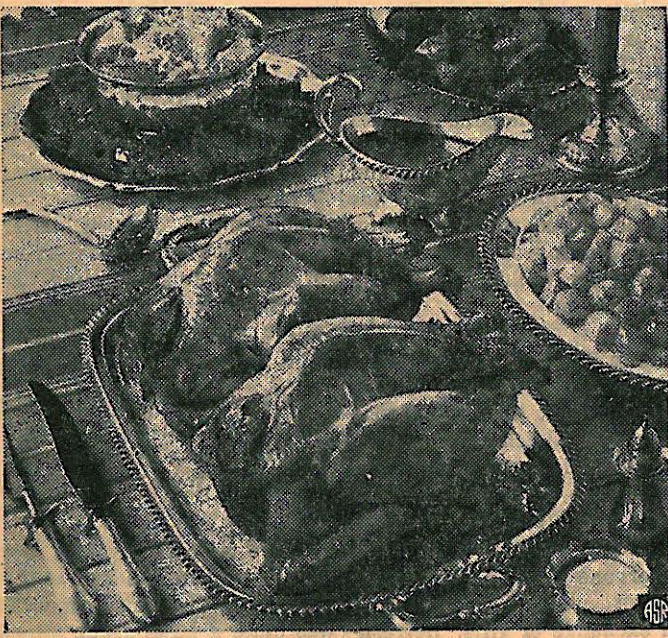
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#### Savoy Stuffing

1 package (8 ounces) prepared stuffing mix

4 tablespoons chopped onion  
1 cup diced celery

In saucepan or skillet, melt butter called for in package directions for crumbly stuffing. Add onion and celery; cook until onion is tender, but not brown. Add liquid called for in package directions. Bring to a boil. Add to stuffing. Divide stuffing in half. To half the stuffing, add 1/4 cup chopped Brazil Nuts. To remaining half, add 6 medium oysters coarsely cut. Use each half of the stuffing for one chicken. Yield: Enough stuffing for 2 broiler-fryers.

### Resident Wins Prize In Church Contest

Mr. Clarence Stearns of Alpine has been named a second prize winner in a nationwide contest sponsored by the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches.

Mr. Stearns submitted a history of Zumbrota (Minn.) Congregational Church to win the prize. Zumbrota is a community of about 2,500 persons located 20 miles northwest of Rochester, Minnesota. Mr. Stearns, a native of Zumbrota, became interested in writing the history because an uncle once officiated at the church.

The Stearns spend their winters here in Alpine and their summers in a cottage at Clearwater lake, five miles north of Grand Marais, Minnesota.

As a free-lance photographer before his retirement, Mr. Stearns specialized in photographing celebrities who came to the Mayo clinic in Rochester. He is currently engaged in promoting a U. S. postage stamp issue to commemorate the Mayo brothers. Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt used Stearns' picture of herself to illustrate her autobiography.

The church contest was held for the purpose of commemorating the 330th year of congregational fellowship in the United States.

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ments later she was startled as he came charging in, yelling, "Mama, you forgot to give me my milk money!"

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Bedlam is a contraction of Bethlehem. The word grew in London when the church of St. Mary of Bethlehem, founded in 1247, was turned into an insane asylum in 1402, noted for its terrible noise and confusion. The racket could be heard for some distance around the hospital, and the citizens of the town soon came to compare any tremendous uproar to the asylum, Bethlehem, which word, in the native dialect, came out bedlam. The contraction finally became accepted through popular usage, for its meaning of insane noise and confusion.

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Frances (Mrs. Dr. Gary White) of Point Loma tells this story of a Christmas dinner she attended as a little girl. A whole roast pig with an apple in its mouth was brought to the table, and Fran heard a gasp from her sister who sat beside her. "Just look," said

the other little girl, "That poor pig didn't even have a chance to finish its apple!"

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In most families everyone hangs up a sock for Santa on Christmas Eve, but Al Adams says father's real sock comes after New Years when he gets the bills.

A birthday party was held for Mr. Hardy Simpson on Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Everson. Mr. Simpson was 85 years old. Many neighbors in the Willows area joined in the festive occasion.



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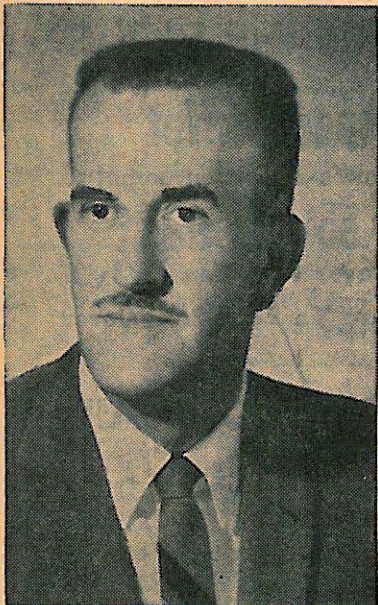
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**Flowering Fruits**

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The flowering almond does not resemble the common nut tree. It is hardy except in the coldest regions of the west. It is a small spreading shrub with many branches. The flowers may be single or double, white or pink, depending on variety.

Flowering apricots are generally about 20 feet high when full grown. They bloom early in January and February. For good flowering, annual pruning is necessary. Let the tree grow for one year before pruning, then prune all the shoots back to six-inch stubs. The following year cut back half of the whips to six-inch stubs.

Continue this routine for good flowering apricots.

Flowering cherries are best grown in the Pacific Northwest and not recommended for Alpine.

Flowering peach is the best flowering tree for our region. For flowers alone no other flowering tree can compare with the peach. This tree must be sprayed during its dormant season to prevent curly leaf. The old wood, or the wood that has flowered, must be cut back each year at flowering time to six-inch stubs. At the end of the summer the new growth will be luxuriant. Do not plant where drainage is poor as it is susceptible to root and crown rot.

Flowering plum is also a good tree for Alpine. It is good under almost any soil condition. Will take a little shade but needs sun for good leaf color. Prune immediately following blooming season. They are used mostly in places that need a color lift.

**ALPINE CHATTER**

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tained her brother last week.

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Everyone in Alpine and the passers-by on Highway 80 have enjoyed the beautiful Christmas decorations and music at the Alpine Union School. They are wired to go off automatically each night at 11 p.m. Mr. Clyde Gilley, Mr. Donald Davey, and Mr. Markus

Schaeffer installed the decorations.

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Bailey's Cafe will be closed for a couple of weeks in order to put in new fluorescent lighting.

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Vera Bartley and daughter, Delana, have taken a bus trip to Texas to spend Christmas and the beginning of the New Year with relatives.

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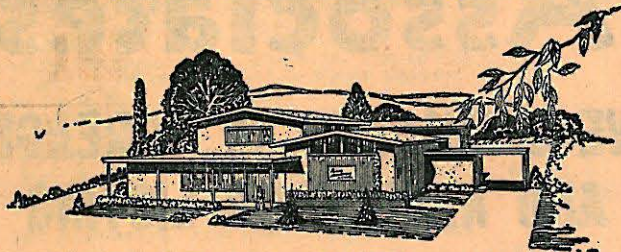
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**Jr. Baseball News**

"A turkey shoot was held last weekend on the new ball field to raise additional money for the Alpine Junior Baseball Association. Due to a poor turnout of shooters, especially from the Alpine area, we could not term this shoot a big success. Many of the entrants were from El Cajon and San Diego, and as far away as Ramona and Vista. Another shoot will be held around Easter.

"Here is a list of the men who won turkeys at the shoot: Jim Landers, 2; Harold Nichols, 2; Jim Dyer, 1; Tom Nichols, 1; Jim Rorie, 1; Dennis Manion, 1; Farrell Stiehm and the following men won one pound of bacon: Harold Nichols, Tom Nichols and Bud Cooper.

"The Alpine Junior Baseball Association would like to thank all of those who did enter. A special thanks is extended to Tom Nichols and Jim Landers for running the shoot. Another thanks to the following men who assisted them: John Gilroy Bradley Romaine, Gene Wilcox, Bud Cooper, Larry Wilcox, Gordon Gilroy. These women served refreshments during the shoot: Gladys Jennings, Joanne Nichols, Leona Wilcox, Leona Drennon, Grace Wilcox, LaVerne Crosby, and Marge Cooper.

"The Alpine Junior Baseball Association would like to thank all of you who have worked so hard this past year in helping with our baseball program, and to the men and wives who have given so many weekends to the completion of the new ball park. With the start of the New Year just a couple of days away, we are hoping to see more lending a hand to complete this ball park as the new season is rapidly approaching.

"I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

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**CAMPO NEWS**

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House on Saturday evening, December 19. The main dinner was prepared by members Ladonna Colley and Bertha Rogers, and pies were baked by Muriel Utt, Gertrude Haskell, Pearl Deines, and Mrs. Rogers. The door prize was an electric skillet, which was won by Ralph Mullins of Pine Valley. There was an exchange of gifts after the dinner.

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Mountain Whirlers Square Dance Club held its Christmas Dance Saturday night at the Club House in Campo with Al Schaeffer calling, and Walter Ellis guest caller. The present square dance class and all graduates from this club were invited. There were five squares, and everyone had a wonderful time. There was a Christmas tree and an exchange of gifts. Refreshments were barbecued ham sandwiches, potato chips, pickles, olives and coffee. Four home made cakes were raffled off, and were won by William Wordley, Bee Boyd, Bernie Seikert and Junior Rinks. About seven pounds of ham was left, and it was also raffled off. It was won by Pete Cooper.

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Al Schaeffer and his wife, Jean,



**TEEN TALK**

By JANIE

The Pageant of the Shepherds and the Kings, given by the young people of the Alpine Community Church, went off very well last Sunday night. As usual after the program the group took off in cars to go Christmas caroling. Everyone enjoyed the caroling, but their festive spirits were dampened a little by a persistent drizzle.

From what I hear the Christmas party the Teenage Club had last Saturday was a huge success. The teens who went are still talking about it.

There were gifts galore received for the orphan children at the 4-H Champions Christmas party. There was quite a large group attending, and everyone enjoyed the games, dancing and refreshments.

Here's hoping you have a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. (Hope you get everything you asked Santa for, too!)

were guests of Pete and Helen Cooper over the weekend. They went home with them after the Square Dance.

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