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# HAPPY HOLIDAYS



The Gazebo in the Frank N. Mitchell Park in downtown Roaring Springs is all decked out in Holiday style.

May Your Season Be Blessed With Joy!

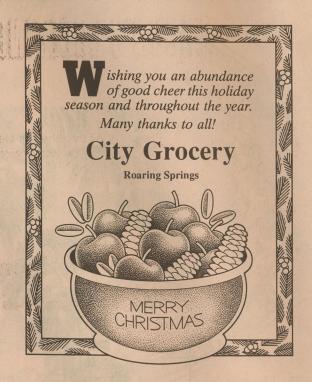


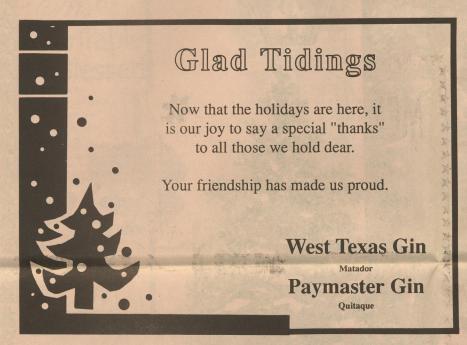
### Have A Sparkling Season!

May your holidays shine bright!

Merry Christmas to all!

Thacker Jewelry
Downtown Roaring Springs

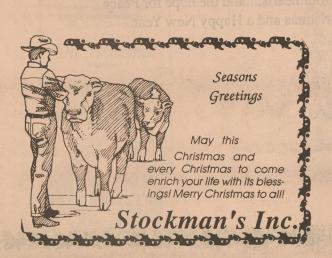














### Twelve Woys To Moke Christmos Brighter

- 1. See an old friend
- 2. Make a new friend
- 3. Help a friend in need
- 4. Strengthen family ties
- 5. Visit your House of Worship
- **6.** Visit an orphanage or hospital
- 7. Recycle your gift wrap
- 8. Make your own decorations
- **9.** Share a great meal with someone special
- 10. Go carolling in the snow
- 11. Be kind to your neighbors
- 12. Tell someone you love them

A Joyous Noel From All Of Us

**FLOMOT GIN** 













### SEASON'S GREETINGS



We're all fixed up and ready to wish you a wonderful holiday. Thanks a lot.

Higginbotham-Bartlett



Wishing you a world of good cheer this season.

To all those whose friendship we value so much, go our season's greetings and sincere appreciation for your loyal support and confidence.

Jim & Carla Meador Jeremy Jones



### Greetings of the Season

Wishing a bountiful harvest of holiday cheer to all our friends and neighbors! Merry Christmas!

**Lawrence Farm Store** 

**Roaring Springs** 





To know and serve you this past year was a true delight. Thanks and Merry Christmas!



Tommy's Garage

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On Christmas day, and every day, our very best to all our friends.

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this Christmas season. It's a privilege and a pleasure to serve you.

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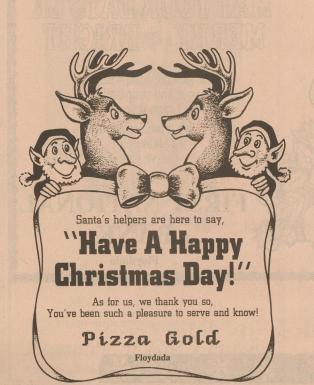
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May your holidays be a delicious, delectable and delightful mix of good friends, good food and good cheer at this most festive time and throughout the entire year! Thank you for selecting us.

Pay-N-Save Grocery

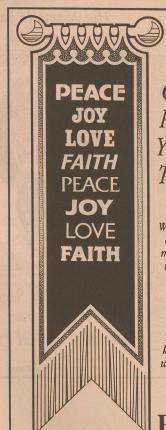
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Taylor's Pizza Box

Matador

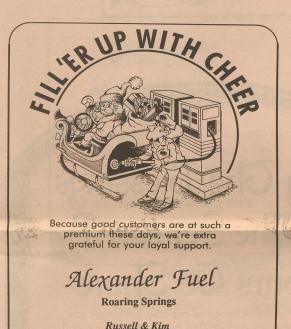


May The Spirit Of Christmas Remain In Your Hearts Throughout The Year

Wishing you and yours all the best that this marvelous season bas to offer...a wealth of warm friends, good times, plenty of laughter and lots of festivities and fun.

You've been a joy to know and serve, and we thank you for your continuing support.

Stanley Pharmacy







### It's A Wonderful Life

...When You Live In This Town!

We're proud to be part of this fine community and are thankful for the many good neighbors we've come to know.

From all of us, to all of you we send our very best wishes this holiday season.

**Quail Pipe Roaring Springs** 



Merry Christmas



We Three Kings of Orient Are...

May peace, love and happiness be your gifts at Christmas and throughout the coming year. Thank you for your patronage.

**Dickens Electric** 

Spur, Texas

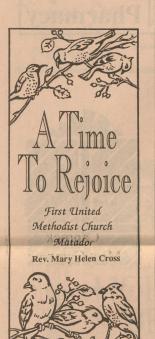
His Name is Jesus



Wise Men Still Seek Him

Assembly of God Church

Matador Pastor: Rev. Roy Eason





**Roaring Springs** Rev. Mary Helen Cross





CHRISTMASTIDE AND THROUGHOUT THE COMING YEAR.

Assembly of God Church

**Roaring Springs** 

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Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Merry Christmas to all.

Luke 2:14

## May The Blessings Of The Season Be Yours To Share

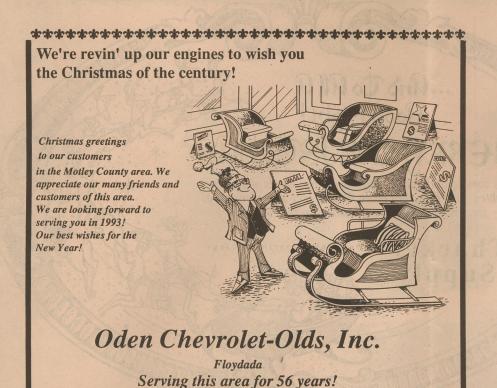
As we exalt in the occasion of His holy birth, may you also be enlightened and uplifted by the spiritual joy and inner contentment that this season of peace on earth and brotherhood to all mankind inspires.

We truly cherish the gift of your friendship.

### Cooper Oil

J.B., Jean, & Frank

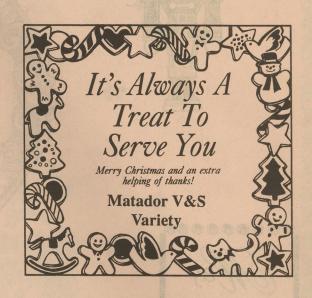




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God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son

I John 5:11













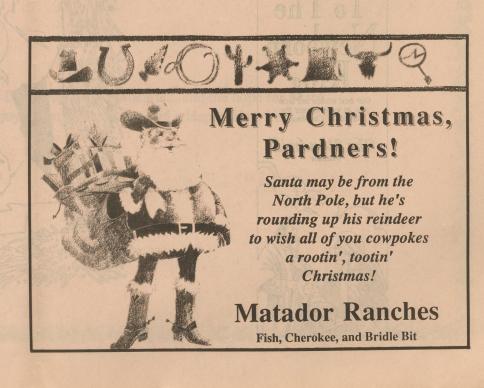
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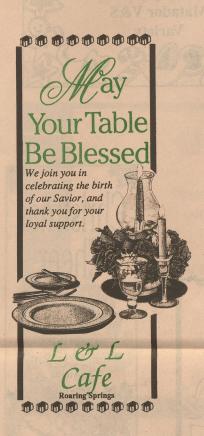
Thank you for your friendship, goodwill and loyalty. May the happiness and good cheer of the Holiday Season be your throughout the New Year!

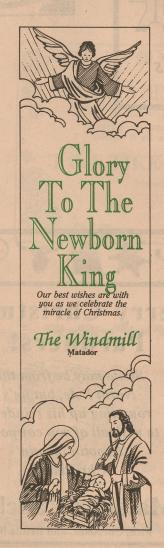
The families at the Red Ball Gin

Roaring Springs

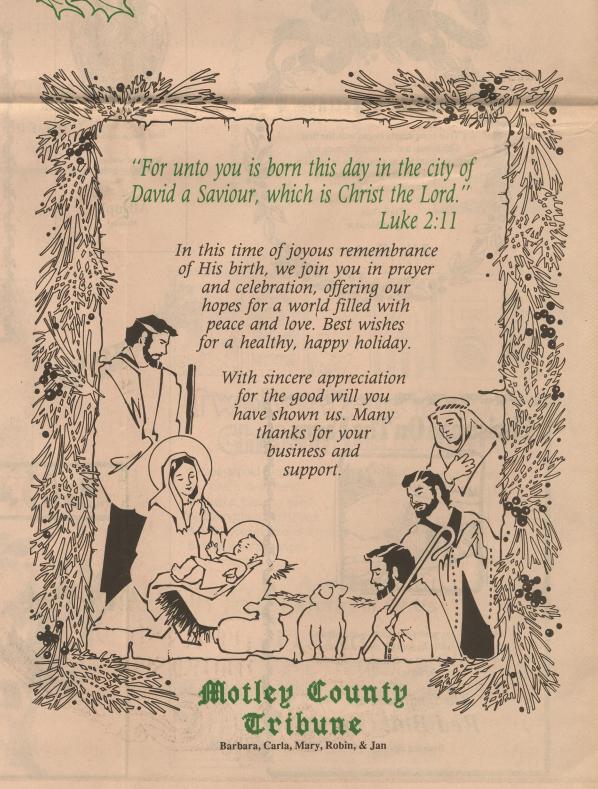














#### Christmas Mass to be celebrated at Catholic Church

Christmas mass will be held at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Matador at 9:45 a.m. on Christmas day. Everyone is invited to attend.

### New Residents Honored In Roaring Springs

The Roaring Springs Community Volunteers held a "New Residents" Cof-Volunteers field a New Residents Color fee at the L&L Cafe Tuesday afternoon, December 15 for Johnny and Willie Mae Lloyd, Bobby and Angie Samson, Mike and Cindy Lancaster, and Mark and Becky

Brannon.
An assortment of Christmas Cookies and punch were served from a table decorated with a Christmas tablecloth of green with a red net overlay to the honorees and

the following:
Mr. and Mrs. J.N. Fletcher, Venita
Sedgwick, Modean Brooks, Frances
Walters, Lula Swim, Lee Peacock, Janice Perryman, Lisa Simpson, Carolyn Brooks, Pauline Hand, LaVoe Thacker, Ann Thacker and Amanda, Amy Bearden, Carolyn Mary Marshall, Ossie Lee Brown, Janice Brown, Nancy Long, Devonne Dillard, Jeff and Pam Thacker, Kelly Keltz, Gary Simpson, Ernie Brown, and Billie Clifton.



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### When Christmas Was A Community Affair

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Red berries, candles, and popcorn strings decorated the community Christ-mas tree, a cedar from the breaks which reached to the ceiling of the old Heath and Moses building. The raw western town of

Matador sported a few wooden frame buildings with board sidewalks in 1893. "On Christmas Eve," recalled Mrs. Jeff Morris in a 1941 Matador Tribune article, "folks gathered in for miles around for a Christmas program, distribution of gifts by a real Santa Claus, and then a dance, which usually lasted until late in

Since individual homes rarely had "Christmas trees" in the early days, most gifts were distributed at the community gathering. Favorite gifts for a young lady were a comb, brush and mirror set, which were a comb, orus and minror set, which might set back a fellow as much as a month's wages, and elaborate photograph albums, which could keep a "sparking" couple occupied for many future Sunday, afternoons. For children China dolls and toy wagons were much sought after.

Each child at the celebration received a colored cheese-cloth sack filled with candy and an apple, and sometimes a popcorn ball, all provided by donations.

Winter came early and stayed late in 1880. The young wife defiantly stuffed newpapers in the cracks between the planks of the new two room house. Her dress of white, an impossible color to keep on the frontier, exemplified her spirit to maintain a lady's decorum in a man's land

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land.

The teeth of time gnawed hard as she
waited for the freight wagon to return
from Ft. Worth with the makings for
Christmas. In her loneliness she had de-

termined that this must be a Christmas with all the Trimmings, a fat turkey, cran-berries, and a decorated tree. The days turned into weeks, and still

no sign of the freighters. If a Christmas celebration was to happen, the makings

had to come from home, however humble.

So two turkey toms, lean and tough with the season, and a couple of wild pigs, fat on shinnery acors, were killed and on the Wagon Train.

by Marisue Potts

A Christmas With

All The Trimmings

In addition, Santa was likely to visit the children at home on Christmas morning, leaving stockings filled with fruit and

candy.

In 1888 Mrs. Morriss attended the annual New Year's Ball at the Matador Ranch, hosted by Mr. and Mrs. H.H. Campbell. Only about fifteen women and girls could be rounded up in the territory from Childress to Spur to Estacado.

"About 5 o'clock, the men, led by Mr. Campbell came up to the White House to get us girls," the pioneer reminisced. "We went down to the mess-house and danced for hours, after which a midnight feast

As the New Year arrived the crowd went to the spotlessly-cleaned blacksmith shop where they dined on ham, wild

turkey, cakes, pies, salads, and other deli-cacies provided by the ranch.

Since there were about 100 men present, each cowboy would have to register when he paid his fifty cents fee to the fiddler, and the bookkeeper gave him a number. As each number was called the number. As each number was called, the gentleman selected his lady and danced for one reel, one schottische, or a square-dance round. Thus each cowboy danced only four or five times during the course of the night.

brought to the house. Strips of fat from

the pigs turned the toms into "butter-balls," the bird of choice over a hundred

That Christmas day the Matador Ranch cowboys feasted, not as Lizzie Campbell had dreamed perhaps, but feasted, never-

theless, on turkey and cornbread dressing, wild plum jelly, rice, and canned corn, ham, venison steak, and antelope

stew with sinkers, as they called the dumplings. For dessert, Lizzie's apple pies made from dried applies hit the spot. From popcorn hoarded since her arrival in the spring, the first lady of the rolling plains created popcorn balls, saluted with

cries of joy from the sweet-hungry hands. The tree, Lizzie's symbol of civiliza-tion with its long standing traditions, was

decorated with popcorn, colored leaves, and berries from the breaks. The longed-for-decorations from Ft. Worth were soon forgotten...until March, when they arrived

Often the music was provided by just eler", and called hoedowns to "Hell two cowboys. One sawed out tunes he Among the Yearlings" and "Billy in the knew on a fiddle while the other who had Low Ground."

"Turkey in the Straw," "Arkansas Trav
"two wires and a sense of rhythm," tapped on the strings for a beat. Jeff Morris, a banjo picker as well as fiddler, played "Turkey in the Straw," "Arkansas Trav
"Claus, you see, came but once a year."



Alton 'Susie' Marshall was presented a special front license plate, by Gilbert Grover, Assistant Regional Supervisor of the Texas Department of Transportation, Division of Motor Vehicle Titles and Registration, Lubbock division, last week. The tag reads, 'Texas, Alton Marshall, T.A.C., Motley County November 22, 1976-Dec. 31, 1992.

### Barbara's Bylines

I just want to take this time to remind the pewter collection of a winter town of our readers to be sure and read over the special Christmas Card section as well as the ads in the regular edition.

If you have never taken the time to read the cards you are missing out on the fun of noticing how each one matches the type of business, as well as reading the special greeting from your businesses that serve Motley County.

If you have not story and in the Library to

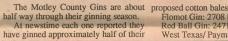
If you haven't stopped in the Library to see the beautiful collection of Christmas Tree pins belonging to Sue Seigler and

Debbie Seigler's, you are missing out. The pins are one of the most unique collections I have ever seen. There are old one and new ones and each one is different and beautiful.

Carla and I want to thank each of you for your patronage and to those who have added so much by writing stories for the Tribune. Each one of you have helped make the local newspaper enjoyable to

the reader.

Merry Christmas and Happy New



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### Looking Back

TRIBUNE FILES

Page of History turned back for a night of dancing at Swepston ranch on the plains near the Caprock west of Matador. A haunting violin echoed across the board expanse of priarie as dancing couples dressed in costumes typical of this west-em cattle country prior to the new century glided over the spacious floors. The la-dies wore hoop-skirts, waist coats, high-top shoes while the gentlemen were at-tired in the dress garb of cowboys two decades ago: high-top boots, colored shirts, California pants and vests a swing-

Mrs. Charles Keith wore her mother Mrs. Charles Keith wore ner motner-in-law's wedding dress, Mrs. D.C. Keith, the first bride of the county. Mrs. Buck Dullinhunty wore C.B. Whitten's grand-mother's dress, fifty years old. Miss Christine Swepston wore her grand-mother's dress, Mrs. L.H. Lewis. Her uncle wore a suit belonging to his father,

MOTLEY'S FIRST CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE Early Day Cowboys Rode 100 Miles

### TRIBUNE FILES December 26, 1946

Had the announcement been made several weeks ago that Motley County had really done very little progressing since 1888, the author of the statement would have been branded as a crackpot. But on the other hand, that crackpot would have a point - especially with respect to the coming Yuletide season.

This county was not organized until 1891. Before then there were so few people in the county that it would have seemed futile to have celebrated the Christmas season with any sizeable fes-

tival occasion. However, after that year, as the cowboys became more numerous, it seemed only natural for the Matador Ranch Company to honor the boys with a dance.

Even though girls were scarce in this immediate area the boys managed to have a jovial time at the dance. As a matter of fact, the plan became so popular that for the next few years the cowboys thought nothing of saddling up and riding a hundred miles - sometimes fetching their sweethearts with them.

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**Gin Totals** 

A Very, Merry Season To All You Gentlefolk!

Christmas was a simple affair; A time filled with friends, family and prayer: A time when strangers were welcomed with open arms. A time to sing God's many praises in lywns and psalms. In these modern times, it's good to remember, The gentler days of past Decembers Though some things never change, it's true... Like our deep felt thanks for friends like you!





THE FIRST STATE BANK

MATADOR, TEXAS

**FDI@** 



I'm Chooch Long. I am 10 years old. I live in Roaring Springs. My school is Motley County.

I want a bike for Christmas.

The reason I want a bike is because I

want to get around faster and so I can keep up with my friends.

Dear Santa.

My name is Ryan. I'm nine years old.
I'm in 4th grade, my school is Motley
County I.S.D. I live in Matador, Texas.
I want a water bed, a Sega Genises,
and a V.C.R.

The reason I want these things for me is because I'm a good boy.

Your friend, Ryan

We are in Kindergarten. We cannot write letters yet. We will write one together. We have tried to be good. That is pretty hard sometimes!

Amber - trampoline and walking doll.

Lupe - bat Stacey - lace ups and clothes

Emily - rocking horse and drum Kenny - walki-talki Brittany - camera, Troll Kid Annie - new clothes, doll with roller

Sabrina - Barbie Bike (no training

wheels), walki-talki. Natasha - Barbie, Barbie clothes Timmy - trampoline and walki-talki Seagram - play gun and walki-talki

John - Pop gun, race car track Thomas - Batman and Robin toy Alfred - toy bow and arrow and trampoline. Kittie - camera, troll

Rocio - Barbie, purse Clay - Dallas Cowboy Helmet, Army Helmet.

Cody - watch, camera Jose - car, turtle

We love you, Santa.

MC Kindergarten class

by Coach Alexander

freethrow line.

JR. HIGH

The Junior High Basketball teams

hosted Valley Monday, December 7. The 7th grade girls lost 8-25. Scoring was evenly distributed among Rebekah Jameson, Jill Stanley, MargaretMangram, and Louann Taylor. They each had two. Rebekah's two were 2 of 2 from the freethrow line.

The 8th grade girls had a convincing win over Valley 8th, 53-20. Kasey Parks had the game high of 26 points and grabbed 15 rebounds. Dodie Morris stole the ball 8 times. Leah Cruse and Lanie

Barton followed in scoring with nine and

Barton followed in scoring with nine and eight respectively.
The 7th grade girls have an overall record of 0-2, and the 8th grade girls are 2-0 overall. Our game with Patton Springs was canceled, so our next outing will be against Spur, here, Monday, Jan. 4. The Monday we get back! Come out and see our Junior High teams as District begins.

JUNIOR VARSITY

The J.V. Lady Mats competed in the

Ralls Tournament December 3, 4 and 5. In the first round they met Floydada Varsity. They were defeated 62-14. Lead-

I would like a tine wonders doll. Magic tea party. Magic potty baby. Totally Hair Barbie. Snap and Play Barbie. Caggase Patch newborn. Soft teddy.

Aleda Ross Thank you, Santa



How are your raindeers? How is Mrs. Claus? I wish you could bring me a new bike called the Road Master. How are your Little helpers? and wish for a Robat too? Also a Nintendo. I wish I could see you with your wife, Mrs. Clas.

> Your friend. Chris

Dear Santa Claus, How are you? For Christmas I woul like to have my 6 front teeth. Thats not all. Dear Santa, I would lik to have a bike and a Bear. Santa how are your reindeers and how is Mrs. Claus? Are town has snow and it is bad over Matador, Texas. How are your Elves? I howp you will have A nof money to Buy My bike.

Love, Sylvia

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I hope you are okay
because on Christmas Eve you have a lot
of work to do. For Christmas I want a
sled, a Dallas Cowboys football jersey, a toy drum and roller skates. Merry Christ-Here are some things we want for mas and a Happy New Year.

> Your friend, Clint \*\*\*

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been a good girl. How are your elves doing? I want a barbie tent, and a barbie sleeping bag, and a barbie bag to put my clothes in, and a camera with a case to put it in.

> Love, Brittany P.

Dear Santa Claus,
How is Rudolph doing? Please bring
Rudolph to see me on Christmas Eve. All
you have to do is wake me up when yu get to my house. I will greet you at the door with a Christmas present. I would like a My Bundle Baby doll, Pretty Crip and-Curl, Little Miss Magic Jewels, Trouble, Double Trouble, Pizza Party, Girl Talk, Pop O'Matic and Starla. I hope all the reindeer have a Merry Christmas and Mrs.Clause and you too! Merry Christmas! P.S. I would like a pair of roller bladge size! blades, size 1.

Your friend, Amanda Sands I love you Santa!

Motley County School News

**High School Girls Basketball Report** 

ing scorers were Christie Campbell and

Lesa Prather with six and five respectively. Heather Turner led the team in rebounds with 3. Next the Ladys played

Ralls J.V. They lost 69-32. Lesa had the game high of 15 points followed by Heather with 12. Christie led the team with 11 rebounds. Lesa had seven rebounds and steals. Leigh Pipkin and Leslie

Last Tuesday night Clarendon trav-eled here for four games. The girls fell to the Broncos 36-27. Leading scorers were Christie and Lesa with nine and eight

This past weekend we hosted a J.V. Tournament where we placed 2nd. In the first round we played Paducah, defeating them 39-26. Heather Turner had the game high in points and rebounds with 16 and 10. Lesa had 14 points and seven rebounds. Heather also had six steals.

esa was 6 of 6 from the charity line.

In the Championship game, the Ladys met Floydada where they fell 41-30 to take 2nd place in the Tournament. Christie

had 13 points and rebounds. Lesa had eight points and seven rebounds. Christie, Lesa, and Jodi Boykin each had three

Come support your high school teams.

We have Valley Friday night, there.

Van Hoose each had five steals.

respectively.



Dear Santa

I want a talking doll and an oven with some Cake mixes and a red hair Barbie doll for Christmas. I'll leave you some cookies and milk.

> Love, Shea \*\*\*

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you and your reindeer doing?
I want a guitar and I want another Nitido and I want a metal cop badge and I want a million of bucks and the gameboy and a racing car and a coat like Santa and a real reindeer.

Love,

Dear Santa Claus, How are you doing? Fine I hope. I want for Christmas is a powar wheel,5050 water gun, bike, remote control car, big foot truck like Bruno the bad dog, and the Claw, skates, four wheeler. I want for Christmas is God to be with me and I want a sled. Merry Christmas and to all a good night?

Your friend, Timothy Earl Mangram

Dear Santa Claus,

Hey dude! How are the elves? Are they still making toys? I would like a California Roller baby and roller skates. We had a lot of snow

Meriel Smallwood

P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk. Have a Merry Merry Christmas!

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you today? I will go right to bed on Christmas eve. Anyway what I want for Christmas is Little Miss Magic want for Christmas is Little Miss Magic Jewels, California Rollerblade Baby, Totally hair Barbie and Ken, Shampoodle, Puppy and Kitty Surprise, Merlin Magic. I also want a new bike, Magic Tea set, new shoes and clothes, coat, Baby All Gone. Bye have to go. See you next year.

VARSITY

The Motley County Basketball teams traveled to Patton Springs December 1.

The Lady Mats defeated the Lady Rangers, 60-37. Lacey Parks led the team in scoring and rebounds with 30 and 13 respectively. Wendi Beshirs was next with nine points. Marvina Smoak grabbed seven rebounds and Mindy Dodson had five steals.

The Ladys competed in the Ralls Tournament December 3, 4, and 5. In the

first round they played Ralls J.V. winning by a score of 58-32. Lacey scored 18 ponts and Kobbi Risser contributed 10. The Ladys met Floydada in the next round falling 42-54. Lacey scored 14 points tossing in 8 of 9 from the freethrow line. Windy had three steals. Brooke Brandon

Mindy had three steals. Brooke Brandon

and Lacey each grabbed eight rebounds.

19. Lacey grabbed 10 rebounds and Wendi

They found themselves up against Spur

The Clarendon Broncos traveled here last Tuesday night. Lacey had the game high of 23 followed by Wendi with



Dear Santa Claus,
Hey dude! How are the elves and how are the reindeers? Santa I want \$2000 dollars and a super Nintendo in my stocking. I have been a good boy

> Your friend, Ricardo Luna

Dear Santa Claus,

How do your reindeer fly? How do you go down the chimney if the fire is going? Any way her is my list for Christmas as a Sega Genesis, Marble Madness, a Dallas Cowboy Bean Bag, a Emitt Smith and Troy Akemen uniform and hot shot.

Your friend, Kyle

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I have been a good girl
this year. I would like a Barbie car and a
Magic Monitor Baby. I would like a GG
walking puppy and a California Roller
Baby and a car. I would like a Mermaid
doll and a Santa.

Your friend, Cassie \*\*\*

Dear Santa Claus, How are you doing? I would like a mouth piece, fast track, crash dummy, basketball cards, hot shot, watch and weights. Merry Christmas Santa.

Your friend, Derrick Cruse

Dear Santa Claus,

How are your reindeers? Merry Christmas! I would like a walking doll, a Barbie doll, and a pair of roller skates. Thank you Santa Claus.

From, DeeAnne Brown

Dear Santa Claus, Are your reindeer ok? I wish I were with you and your reindeer. I hope you and your elves, and reindeer are o.k. The things that I want for Christmas are one pair of roller skates that are pink and white and a Roller Blade Barbie. I have tried to be a good girl. Bring my brother what he wants for Christmas please.

Love, Brenda Gillespie

Dear Santa Calus, How are you and Mrs. Claus? I would like a GoGo Walking Pup. We had a lot of snow and I got stuck in my driveway. I have tried to be a good girl.

Your friend Brittany Moore

Dear Santa Claus.

How are yor and your reindeer? How is Mrs. Claus? How is Rudolph and your is Nits. Claus? How is Rudolph and your eleves? Are your eleves work hard? We have a lot of snow. How much snow did you get? I want a bean bag and a doll and some barbie clothes. Send some new books and a movie, a game croco dile Dentist, some roll skates, a new play dog, and a watch. Merry Christmas Santa.

Brittany D.

Dear Santa Claus,

How are the reindeer? I would like a water pruv watch and gack, and most of all I would like a Water baby. Santa did you know that the snow at our house the snow is two inches to three inches. When I get home I get to make an angel in the

From, Mona Saldana

Dear Santa Claus, How are your reindeer? I want a game genie and a game boy. The game boy I want is a football tape. I wish you could take me to the north Pole.

Your friend, Britt Pierce

How are you? I would like super ninten and a Sega Genesis. I'll leave you Kool-aid on the table.

Justin \*\*\*

Dear Santa, The Lady Mats competed in the Idalou Tournament this past weekend. They met the host team in the first round and were defeated 40-51. Lacey had the game high of 15. Next were Wendi, Brooke and Marvina Smoak with 5, 4 and 4. I want a teddy bear, and a Water Baby Thank you.

Aleda Ross

Dear Santa, I want a Barbie and a Barbie play car in the next round. They lost 35-42. The game high point was shared by Wendi, Marvina, and Lacey with eight each. Marvina grabbed eight rebounds. The Lady Mats have an overall record of 4-5. They will face Guthrie Dec. 15 and Valley Dec. 18 before Christmas break.

Your friend. Sandra Torres

On my table I will leave you some cookies. For Christmas I want a Super Nintendo.

Your friend, Mont Darsey

Dear Santa, I want a B-B Gun.

Your friend. Brandon Martin

More letters on page 4



### Home Economically Speaking

by Beverly Thomas, **Home Extension Agent - Home Economics** en conservation de la conservati

BUYING AND SERVING PRE-PREPARED HOLIDAY DINNERS

It happens. Last minute changes in holiday plans leave you with no alternative but to purchase an already prepared turkey meal with all the trimmings. Or perhaps you choose to go this route to reduce the time stress.

For those who decide to buy a prepared meal follow these tips.

pared meal, follow these tips.

— If you're buying a cooked, ready-to-eat turkey or other prepared meat, pict to up within two hours of serving time, or plan to refrigerate it immediately after purchase and reheat later.

— Try one of the convenient pack-

Try one of the convenient pack-

aged stuffing mixes.

— Salad bars in delis offer a convenient way to create a tossed salad or vegetable tray. Plan space in the refrigerator to store these until serving time.

— Frozen side dishes or appetizers

can be cooked quickly and served at a moment's notice.

— The deli or cafeteria also may have

choices for desserts, as will the frozen food section of the grocery. Convenience foods are sometimes a

Convenience foods are sometimes a lifesaver, but they can be a potential for foodborne illness if not properly handled. Follow these food safety rules:

— Keep hot foods hot, cold foods cold, and everything clean. Don't leave any foods in the Danger Zone temperature range of 40 degrees F. to 140 degrees F. for more than two hours.

— This means that any foods containing meat, poultry or dairy products must

ing meat, poultry or dairy products must remain refrigerated until serving. After serving, any leftovers need to be refriger-ated or tossed. None of these foods should remain at room termperature for extended periods. This list of foods includes pumpkin or cream-type pies, cakes with cream cheese or egg white icings, dairy product-based dips, deviled eggs and party sand-

- Perishable leftovers should be put away as soon as possible, but necessarily within the two-hour time limit.

SAFE KITCHEN GIFTS

Looking for a holiday gift that's useful? Give an acrylic cutting board that helps protect against foodborne illness. Knives won't leave grooves where bacteria from fresh meat an hide. Give a meat thermometer to use for cooking large size holiday meats. Give a chafing dish that holds buffet foods at a safe termperature

of 140 degrees F. or above.

CARRY-OUT MEALS

CARRY-OUT MEALS
FOR SHUT-INS
Whether prepared by an organized
group or by a concerened individual,
meals taken to shut-ins should be transported either piping hot and served immediately or refrigerator-cold with instructions to reheat. Piping hot dinners should
be eaten within two hours. Often those
who have need for this kind of meal are
those most susceptible to foodborne illness - the elderly, the sick and the homeless.

less.

PARTIALLY COOK THE
TURKEY? NOT SAFE!

It's not safe to partially cook foods
such as the holiday turkey. Any bacteria
present may just warm up to temperatures that promote their growth. Partial
cooking will not kill them. And completing cooking the next day might not elimi
nate bacteria or their toxins that might be
present. Plan ahead to allow time for
safely cooking foods on the day of the
event, or cook ahead of time and reheat to
serve.

Educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are for people of all ages regardelss of socio-economic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap, or national origin.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: What soap is for the body, tears are for the soul.

### Cathey Perryman Named to Dean's List

Clarendon College students received recognition for their academic accomplishments as the names were released Perryman of Matador, was named to this

plishments as the names were released for the President's and Dean's Honor Roll list. Cathey is a graduate of Motley County list.

lists.
Students who maintained a 3.6 GPA High School. Robin's 'Ritins 

Christmas is here! I can't believe that pening is that 1992 is nearly over and it is, though. The weather is so different than it should be! It's actually kind of

warm and not cold.

Arm and not cold.

Another thing I can't believe is hap
I hope everyone has a very Merry

Christmas and Happy New Year!



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HOLIDAY

### Trail Dust

by Douglas Meador Submitted by Mrs. Lila Meador

#### ABOARD A TRAIN **ON CHRISTMAS**

Cold steel rails before the whinnying locomotive seemed to stretch on into eternity, with nothing but whistling posts between, and my lurching day coach was reluctant to follow the thundering steelhearted horse snorting steam through lofty nostrils. The lights had lost strength each time the brakeman, with shiny blue serge suit had passed down the aisle, and the fretful baby had ceased to cry. Shoe laces had been untied and the swollen, tired feet dendled from hard chair arms

had been united and the swollen, tred feet dangled from hard chair arms. It was Christmas eve and homesick-ness was a burning limepit with invisible flames against my heart. Sleepless and staring at the swaying whistle-cord, I flinched as each mad wheel struck the rail joint, but the heartbreak express roared on through the night toward adventure's shabby depot. Miles, like vicious guards, with cruel, cold eyes rose in formidable array beside the thought roads of retreat array beside the inought loads of retackand and the thick, foul air chaffed my spirit, while back in Texas the clean attar of sage lay gently over the friendly hills to the doorstep of home. If the wheels would change their course, I might hear my mother's hesitant footstep coming to greet me and caresses lost in the tide of joy—adfael beautiful my face as and feel her soft hands holding my face as if fearful I move.

The train lunged in starting from the

Arizona tank-town to awaken me from the reverie in time to mop the brimming tears away. A pencil of light lay across the night canvas beyond the cold win-dow-pane and grim mountains cut into the eastern skyline. Dawn and Christmas Day aboard a train speeding away from home.

### THE MIRACLE

OF CHRISTMAS
The miracle of Christmas comes again as rich mysterious incense carried on the crest of brittle north winds to find a way into the sickroom of an ailing world. The glorious fume is from the altar of love to arrest once each year the aches of trouble and greed; subdue the chronic bane of selfishness. The heart breathes a new freedom in the pure air of children's laughOUTSIDE LOOKING IN

A little girl with ragged shoes stood looking with hungry eyes, her face pressed against the plate glass store window, at a large smiling doll that leaned against a small table all set with small dishes. Whatever the thoughts may have been that shaped themselves against the canvas of her heart, they must have been sharp for her lips trembled just a mite as she turned and walked away. Someone older could have told her, although it would not have helped, that life has many plate glass windows and most of us are ranged little beggers quiside. ragged little beggars outside.

DECEMBER 25
INCIDENTS REMEMBERED
It is easier to remember incidents that occur at Christmas time, although they occur at Christmas time, a unough mey may have happened in connection with our first disillusion, yet it seems that the greatest extremes of happiness and heart-ache I have known transpired on Decem-ber 25th, some ten or twelve years separating the two days. The happy day was connected with a battered little tug of the highways, a tent pole through several joints of rusty stove pipe swung to her starboard side, that docked at the strange port of a vacant lot near my employment

Only one glance at the three small children left an uncomfortable feeling in the

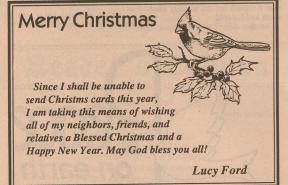
dren left an uncomfortable feeling in the heart. The snow and a tired motor caused the human flotage bound with the invisible ropes of relationship, to remain in our none-too-friendly harbour.

They did not use the parched corn and beans cooked without meat, for Christmas dinner. My own board was lighter that day, but so was my heart. The smallest blue-eyed girl, after she had looked in the package I gave her,dropped the stockthe package I gave her, dropped the stocking, stuffed with cotton which she had been holding for a doll.

The other Christmas day was long ago

and my first one away from home. Stretched on the floor of my room, I looked at the bottle of milk, two rolls and spice cake from my mother's own oven, and tried to eat. My hunger could not be quieted with food. The spice cake lay untouched in its package, when I awoke later. It was too sacred. The sleeve of my coat was moist. Outside and below my window was the din of traffic noise, lights. raised voices, singing and laughter







### Poinsettias and Silver Tea Highlights of Club Program

In keeping with the season, Matador Garden Club enjoyed a program featur-ing poinsettias when members met De-cember 15 in the home of Mrs. Robert Darsey. The occasion also was for the

club's annual Christmas Silver Tea for the headquarters endowment fund of Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. Mrs. W.N. Pipkin, president, called the meeting to order for reading of the minutes by the secretary, Mrs. Douglas Meador, and reports on projects. Due to Meador, and reports on projects. Due to severe weather conditions, the parks committee was unable to place Christmas decorations at Pioneer Memorial Park, or poinsettias in the containers downtown as in former years. A winter storm had curtailed the activities scheduled for Dec. 5, and continued until a later snowstorm resulted in cancellation of plans of seveal local organizations.

Mrs. Edgar Lee served as leader of the program, "Through a Garden Gate: To Fields of Poinsettias." The roll call reply was, "How I will spend Christmas," which

A joint meeting of the two local groups of the organization Baptist Women, held December 1 at the home of Mrs. Larry

Hoyle focused on the annual observance of the Week of Prayer for Foreign

Missions, with emphasis on the Lottie

Moon Christmas Offering. Preceding this meeting, the BW groups were hostesses for a Foreign Mission study of India, and a luncheon on November 19 at the First

a function on November 19 at the First Baptist Church.

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
observed annually by churches in the
Southern Baptist Convention, honoring
one of the demonation's early missionar-

ies. Miss Moon, a native of Albermarle County, Virginia, had served in North China between 1873 and 1912. She died

on Christmas Eve, aboard ship enroute home, the victim of starvation. During 1911 she had survived plague, famine,

flood and war - the Boxer Rebellion, but

tlood and war - the Boxer Rebellion, but had given her meager supply of food, and savings to the suffering Chinese.

The BW night group, led by Elaine (Mrs. Fred) Risser, presented the program at the Week of Prayer meeting, highlighting some of the countries where Baptist missionaries are serving. These, the beginning the group of the countries where the program are serving.

include Finland, Maco, Venezuela, North Africa and the Middle East, Ciskei, Venda, Independent Homelands in South

Africa, Niger, Costa Rica and the Windward Islands in the Caribbean. Names of missionaries having birthdays on that day

were distributed to those present who partcipated in reading the Calendar of Prayer. The women brought canned goods for Buckner's Home and a gift item. The

gifts were distributed in an exchange game and social time at the conlusion of the program. Refreshments were provided by the BW day group.

**Drive Safely:** 

**Don't Let Carelessness** 

Melt Your Holiday

**Programs Focus On Missions** 

As Baptist Women Meet

"The holiday season without poinset-tias would be like Thanksgiving without turkey, or the Fourth fo July without flags," the article declared. Written by Connie Sherley, with photography by Jack Lewis, the layout presented illustrations of the plant in vivid red, the color of the Joel Robert Poinsett, first U.S. Ambassa his honor. A dozen or more varieities are now available in pink, white, or vari-egated color, and adorning the entrance hall of the Governor's Mansion in Austin for the holiday season last year were large

revealed that all plan to be with relatives, either at family gatherings at home, or visiting elsewhere. Mrs. Alvin Stearns presented the program "Abloom For the Season," from an article in Texas Highways magazine, extolling the beauty and popularity of the poinsettias as a holiday

Mrs. Lee conlcuded the program with some tips to "Keep your poinsettias year 'Round." First to be considered were selecting and maintaining the plant, and to simplify the procedure of nurturing it

original blossoms when it was brought to the United States from Mexico in 1825 by dor to that country. The flower subsequently became known as poinsettias in

Women present were Frances Dixon, Nora Belle Dunning, Jo Ann Dickson, Nellie Lipham, Elaine Risser, Dan Bar-

ton, Karen Cox, Rosalee Davis; a guest, Lola Pohl, and hostess, Donna Hoyle. The Foreign Mission Study in No-

vember centered on growing cities and witnessing churches in India, with the theme, "Where Cross the Crowded Way."

theme, "Where Cross the Crowded Way."
Welcome was by Dan Barton, Mission
Chairman. The program opened with a
prologue by Karen Cox, followed by a
sketch of the life of William Carey, first
Baptist missionary to Inida, by Frances
Dixon. A videotape, "Crossing Boundries" was shwon, highlighting various
cities and areas of India, including schools
and hospitals which Carey had established.

lished.

A panel discussion with questions and answers about mission work in India was conducted by Jo Ann Dickson, Odessa Mullins and Elaine Risser, answering questions from the audience. Epilogue by Karen Cox, Calendar of Prayer by Lila Meador and closing prayer and Thanks for the meal to follow, by Jo Ann Dickson, concluded the program. Food for the lunch was prepared by recipes containing spices and other ingredients indigenous to India, as well as more familiar homestyle dishes.

Women from Roaring Springs and Flomot Baptist Women groups joined the Matador BW for the Mission study. They

were Mrs. Brown Hinson and Odessa Mullins, Roaring Springs and Bernice (Mrs. Clayton) Bond and Alma (Mrs. L.E.) Shorter from Flomot. Local women

n addition to those mentioned were Ruby Thompson, Daisy Smith, Winifred Lee,

Nora Bell Dunning, Gertrude Ruhl, Grace Shelton and Evelyn Garrison

### Health

Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse

from season to season, a holiday calendar was recommended. A routine schedule, beginning New Year's Day would be followed in sequence by Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Autumn Equinox, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Mental

Poinsettias and other holiday decorations, including a tree, beauteious with myraid Christmas ornaments, enhanced the setting as the women were seated at the dining table for refreshments. Served were chicken meat pies, ham salad pies, mincement tarts, olives, celery and pickled okra relishes, chocolate mousse pot 'de cream, chocolate pound cake, spiced tea and coffee.

Members present were Opal (Mrs. J.D.) Craven, Bailey (Mrs. Ted) Elliott, Bertha Stearns, Winifred Lee, Lila Meador, and Opal Pipkin, co-hostess with Winifred Dursey. Winifred Darsey

containers of marble and peppermint

y Ron Trusler, M.Ed., L.P.C. Assistant Executive Director Central Plains Center for



### EMOTIONAL BURN-OUT IN WIVES

Some men are emotionally cool-rarely expressing their feelings. They are preoccupied with what they want and seldom notice their wives.

Then there are those who are just the

opposite - they always express what they feel. They're so preoccupied with their wives that she feels smothered, constantly watched and criticized.

If you are married to this type of man, you may feel that you're always walking on eggshells. You're trying to not set him off and you feel tense, constantly. You may feel you're always questioned about your love for him. Even about certain facial expressions or the tone of your voice, etc. Your interest in other people or things may be viewed, by him, as meaning you love him less. You feel suffocated, drained! This type of relationship can be emotionally draining - a

cause for emotional burn-out!

Someone may ask, "How do you put up with him?" There may be several answers to that. One is that there is no doubt your're THE most important thing in his world. You know that because he wants your TOTAL attention. He's great to be with on along trin when it is just the to be with on a long trip, when it is just the

But the problems come after those emotionally draining man to accept the reality of the feeling of separateness that naturally comes after that special closeness. He begins to panic and feel insecure. So, he starts blaming the wife for not loving him enough, again.

What causes a man to be this way and what can a wife do? Some ideas will be shared in the next week's article. This topic has been adapted from an article that was shared with me. It was written by Ann Gottlieb (McCalls, March 1985).

### Lions Club News

The Matador Lions Club heard a wonderful program, of jazzy Christmas a be judged the week of Christmas songs, performed by the Motley County High School Choir, when they met on December 15.

The High School Choir is a new and during a basketball game.

\* The Christmas Lighting contest will be judged the week of Christmas.

\* Gifts for needy children if Matador are being taken care of A fund raiser supper will be done January 29 before and during a basketball game.

The High School Choir is a new program directed by Beberly Mars.

Lion Dick Van Hoose was in charge, in Boss Lion, Tony Rose's absence.

Announcements made were:

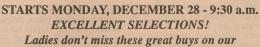
Tailtwister Lion Kirby Campbell col-lected several extra fines from fathers and grandfathers of girls and boys performing in the choir.

Meeting adjourned.

Is Where The Heart Is

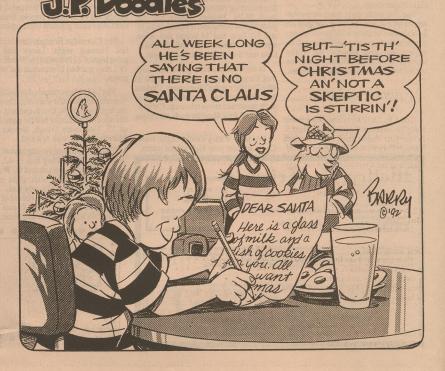
Especially at Christmas, and throughout the year, may every heart and home be warmed by the spirit of contentment that this season brings, and blessed with the joy of sharing it with loving family and friends.

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My name is Lindsey. I am 4 years old. I live in Roaring Springs. I have been a good girl. For Christmas I want a Baby Doll that cries, a car, and a McDoodle. I will leave you some cookies and milk. I love you, Santa.

I want a doll and crayons and a jump rope and a ball and a yo-yo

Marie Landin

Dear Santa, I would like a B-B Gun and a nintendo

game.

Larry Russell

I want a gun for Christmas

Your friend, Trey Smallwood

Dear Santa, I want a B-B Gun with a scope, 4

Your friend.

Joel Rieger Dear Santa

want a toy shotgun.

Your friend, Brady Brooks

Dear Santa, I wish that I could have a Super Nin-

> Your friend. Quinten Rose

Dear Santa

I have some cookies put out for you. hope you have a good Christmas.

Dear Santa, I want a air pump for my present

> Your friend, Ashley Francis
> \*\*\*

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Claus? I want Baby All
Gone. I will leave you some cookies.

Stachia Baxter

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus? I will leave him some milk and cookies.

Your friend

Dear Santa, I would like a pellet gun.

Your friend, Cole Grundy

Dear Santa

How old are you? Are you on a diet?'
Do you have a TV? Can you fly? I want Space Police Lego set, and a snow making machine.

Your friend, Sean Rose

Dear Santa

How are you? I am fine. I hope you would bring the following: a missle to shoot my sister, a basketball goal. What size of underwear to you wear? Do you like bikini underwear? I will let you go, see you later.

Your good boy, Brant Donaldson

P.S. Get Llan a Barbie Doll and get Llan new life.
P.S.S. Watch out for my big dog.
P.S.S.S. You don't speed.
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Dear Santa,

I hope you can get me a Super Nintendo or an IBM Coputer. I need some wax pencils and some pens. I need some long sleve shrt and sweats. How are you this year? This year year I've been very good as I can be. What is Miss Claus doing this year? I would die to see her. How are the reeindeer. What I mostly want is to get a remote control car.

Love you, Matt Frances

P.S. I will leave nine cookies for you and P.S. Merry Christmas.

Miss Claus.

I will be at my Grandmother's house.

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Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I am fine. Can you tell
me what size of boots do you were. I want
a super nintendo and games. I hate the girls in my class. Will you take them out of here.

Your friend.

P.S. All Jay wants is a date with Llan

Letters to Sauta Dear Santa

Dear Santa,

My name is Lou Ann Salazar. I would
like it if you would give Sean Rose a
Barbie doll, and Dusty a new brain, and
Jerod a new pasafire. Will there is one
thing that I won't for Christmas is my
family to come for Christmas.

Lou Ann Salazar

Dear Santa,

I think you need to go on a diet. I'll leave some Slim Fast instead of milk and cookies, ok? I hope it is because it is what

you get!

I would like a pair of roller baldes, give Sean a chain to keep his glasses on, give Jerod a passifer, you can give Sean a Barbie doll. Brant needs good looks, give Matt a new attitude. Dusty needs a new brain. One more thing how old are you?

P.S. You might think about shaving, too. P.S.S. Give Paul a dictonary to look up crazy and find his name.

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Dear Santa

How are you? I am fine. How are the reindeer? I hope they are fine. How is Mrs. Claus? What ever you bring me is fine. I hope you can fit through my door. I will leave you a bag of deer feed and a Dr. Pepper. Please don't fly tooooo high.

Your friend, Andy Jones

This year I would like a BB gun, a chemistry set and a puppy like Patches. I would also like anything else you will geve me. Please save some oreos for Mrs. Claus because she needs some. I also would like to know how all the reindeer

Sincerely, Jerod Rieger

P.S. I won't hang up any water balloons or fish nets.

Dear Santa

Hope you can still fix your pants from four years ago, because when yu come to my house I want you to send Sean and Paul a Barbie Doll each. Oh and please give Dusty a new brain. Give Jay some fat, and give Mrs. Claus a hug for me. Please give Quinn a present aht when it is cold wear pants and when its hot wear shotgun sweats. Please give Andy time to win all the rodeos. I would like a stereo. Oh! And give Blake a kies from Shella Oh! And give Blake a kiss from Shella.

P.S. Merry Christmas

Love your fan, Rebecca Williams

P.S.S. I have been good!!
P.S.S.S. Give Mrs. Parks a teddy bear from the rodeo.

Dear Santa

What size of under draws do you wear? Do you wear a wig, or is that really hair? Santa, I've been a good boy this year. I got presents under the Christmas tree this year. Do you sleep with a teddy bear at night? Does Mrs. Clause come and tuck you up real tight? Santa, how does your sleigh lift up when you weigh so much? Do you go swimming in polka-dot swimming trunks? I want a year supply of candy bars, a football, and a T.V. Merry Christmas to you Santa (if your real).

Sincerely, no tellin' - Quinn Hays

P.S. Don't bother with the girls.

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I am fine, For Christmas
I would like a keyboard. I also will leave
you milk and cookies. How is Mrs. Claus
and the reindeer? Hope you have a Merry Christmas.

Your friend, Ryan Moore

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a tape despeser on a new colors, and a computer

Jay Tomison

Dear Sana,

How are the reindeer? I hope the all right. How are the elves and Mrs. Santa Claus? I hope you are all right. How are you Santa Claus? I hope you are fine. I would like a stereo.

Your friend, Blake Barton

P.S.S. I have been good! P.S.S.S. Give Mrs. Parks a necklace! P.S.S.S. Give Rebecca a kiss!

Dear Santa.

Paul wants some duck tape so he can be quiet. Quinn wants a girlfriend, Llan wants a life. I would like a new game boy super Mario World 2.

> Your friend. **Dusty Jackson**

### Christmas Memories

by Mary Hamilton Meason

While trying to think of something to write for a Christmas story, I glanced at my desk calendar to check the date to see how many days I had before the story was

how many days I had before the story was due. The date was December 7, Pearl Harbor Day.

That date brought to mind the horrors of that day and the millions of people who were saddened by the tragic events of the day, the loss of life, the fear for the future and the first thought in everyone's mind.

"Will my husband, son, father or brother have to go to war?" Christmas 1941 was ruined for the entire nation.

I remember well where I was when I

I remember well where I was when I heard the news. I was on the way to Roaring Springs, and had my car radio Roaring Springs, and had my car radio on. Suddenly a special news report broke in and announced that Pearl Harbor was under attack by the Japanese. Even now when a TV or radio program is inter-rupted for a 'Special News Report' I have a feeling of fear and dread.

That Christmas was very special and I'm sure the same thought was in the mind of every woman, "Will this be the last Christmas I will ever spend with my loved one." My husband and I spent Christmas day with his entire family that year. My father-in-law was bedfast and my husband was his favorite child, so we did everything to make it a loving and happy Christmas for Mr. Meason. My request for a Christmas present that year was something that I would always re-member when the realization that there may never be another Christmas cele-

may never be another Christmas celebrated with my husband.

Just before we were going to open our packages, someone asked me to go to the kitchen for something and when I returned to the living room, there was themost adorable black and white Cocker Spaniel muony with a big red how around Spaniel puppy with a big red bow around her neck with my name on it!

That little dog was always very special to me. We named her Peggy and she lived

to be almost 13 years old.

Melvin enlisted on August 2, 1942

Melvin enlisted on August 2, 1942 and was home on furlough only one time. That's when I decided that my dog lowed Melvin more than she loved me. She made every step he did and ignored me completely until he went back to his base. My soldier got home in November 1945 and I met him in San Antonio. We went to Dallast to visit his sister and from there to Lubbock to get my Christmas dog which I had left in the kennel there. When the vet brought Peggy in the room where we were waiting she saw Melvin and started yipping and running round and started yipping and running round and round the room, then she jumped up into Melvin's arms and licked his face all over - even his ears! She didn't notice me at all, and she sat in his lap all the way home and seemingly forgot that I even existed until she decided that Melvin

wasn't going to leave again.

My first Christmas as a "war widow"
was spent in Wilmington, North Carolina with Melvin at Camp David where he was going to Master Gunner's School in the Coast Artillary in an anti aircraft artillery unit. That was quiet a trip. I was carrying my purse, my heavey luggage and a pair of "Civi" shoes for Melvin, which he later traded to a farmer in France

which he later traded to a farmer in France for one (1) fresh egg!

It seems I always lose something or leave something everywhere I go and that trip was no exception. It was made more exciting by losing my husband, leaving my billfold in a phone booth in the train station in Atlanta, Georgia and washed out train bridges. But I finally found Melvin, recovered my billfold, all money and train ticket in tact and the train bridges were repaired and I was only 12 hours late getting home. getting home.

And now again, just before Christmas, Marines are being sent to Samalia. At least it is supposedly to guard food sup-plies and to see that the food reaches the



Again at Christmas there will be many sad and fearful mothers, fathers, and I'm certainly not against helping starv-

ing people but I often wonder how many of those countries that the U.S. has helped defend, loaned them large sums of money, have sent aid when disaster strikes and fed them when they are starving - how many of those countries would come to our aid in any way if we should experi-ence the same circumstances Christmas

can be very sad as well as a very happy and merry time. But despite sorrow and lonliness the very spirit of Christmas helps us through the sadness and worry.

My first heartbreaking Christmas was in 1936. My mother died as the result of a car wreck at the age of 56. She was buried on November 15 and 1 married 11 days later. That we for from hearts

buried on November 15 and I married 11 days later. That was far from being a happy wedding day.

Have you ever noticed how friendly people are at Christmas time, even people you have never met? They are not being friendly in hopes they will receive a gift from you, but the Christmas season is the time for joy, and almost everyone, whether they realize it or not, have an inborn sense of joy at Christmas time.

The most hearthreaking Christmas was

of joy at Christmas ume.

The most heartbreaking Christmas was in 1984 - the year our son died. I've never decorated for Christmas nor put up a Christmas tree since his death, but I have learned to enjoy Christmas again, with the help of the Lord, family and wonderful friends.

The funniest Christmas I have ever

had involved a quail hunt. After Christman dinner the men all went quail hunting, the less adventuresome and older nig, the less adventuresome and older people took a nap so my sister-in-law and I decided we would go quail hunting. There was a big snow that Christmas, not real cold and we didn't want to sleep. We got our guns, put on our boots, and started out. We were walking down a fence row

was left of that poor bird was two legs dangling with little threads of skin! But we got a lot of pot shots and had our limit minus that badly mangled bird. The two happiest Christmas seasons of my life was when, in 1945, my hus-

band came home from overseas, and 1948 was the happiest Christmas of all. Our son was born in February.

Christmas shopping that year was more fun! That little boy got toys that he wouldn't even be able to play with for another year or two. And clothes! He certainly had to grow to them and he

didn't seem to care a lot, but he loved the lights on the Christmas tree. But his parents really enjoyed that little boy's first Christmas!

The two years that I have spent in Nordland, Washington have been very special. That is the most beautiful place to spend Christmas, with its huge hem-lock trees and all species of other evergreens, snow covered mountains, and the tide ebbing and flowing just a few yards from my nieces house. This beautiful place looks like a huge Christmas card.

Christmas Eve is a fun, wild time thee. Christmas just goes on and on. Christmas Eve is the big Christmas dinner, we spend the night at a great nieces home and the next morning, Christmas

Day, the rest of the great nieces and nephews, great-great nieces and nephews and all the great-great-great nephews arrive to see what Santa Claus has left. The Christmas Tree looks just like the old church trees used to look. Then my niece, her husband, and I go back to their home and have another Christmas

tree!

Then the Hamilton family Christmas here in Matador, with my sister-in-law and all of her family, is an event. It takes all morning to get all the gifts open, clean up the paper, boxes and ribbons. Then dinner, and what a dinner! After everything is cleaned, the dishes washed, and food put away, people start disappearing some to hunt, others to take a nap and the 5 college men go gift hunting.

some to hunt, others to take a nap and the college men go girl hunting.

Late that evening, people start appearing again, we eat and play games until everyone is nodding, what a happy Christmas!

During all our fun and feasting we must never lose sight of the true meaning of Christmas and the greatest gift of all, lesus. As the saying goes, "He is the reason for the season!" And remember to pray for those Marines as they risk their likes to see they the the treamed of praying lives to see that the thousands of people who are starving will receive the food they so desperately need. Let's all try to keep the joy and friendliness all the year. Merry Christmas!

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#### TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS (IN TEXAS THAT IS)

'Twas the night before Christmas In Texas, you know Way out on the prairie Without any snow.

> Asleep in their cabin Were Buddy and Sue A 'dreaming of Christmas Like me and like you.

Not stockings, but boots, At the foot of their bed, For this was in Texas What more need be said?

When all of a sudden From out the still night There came such a ruckus It gave me a fright!

And I saw 'cross the prairie Like a shot from a gun, A loaded up buckboard Come out on a run.

And 'hawin' with will, And horses (not reindeer) He drove with such skill.

"Come on there Buck, Pancho, And Prince, to the right! They'll be plenty of travelin' For you all tonight."

The driver in Levi's And shirt that was red, Had a ten-gallon Stetson On top of his head.

As he stepped from the Buckboard He was really a sight A beard and moustache So curly and so white

> As he burst in the cabin The children awoke And both so astonished That neither one spoke.

He filled up their boots With such presents galore That neither could think Of a single thing more

When Buddy recovered The use of his jaws, He asked in a whisper "Are you Santa Claus?

"Am I really Santa Claus?" Well what do you think?" And he smiled as he gave A mysterious wink

### Then he leaped in his Buckboard And called back, in his drawl, "To all children of Texas, Merry Christmas You All!! Caution For

Fantasyland

Reader's Column

by H. Soltwisch

When birds forget their songs, Wear mink upon their feet, And Hershey bars grow profusely From a diamond-studded street; When squirrels no longer chatter, Wear polish on their nails; When steamboats run on railroads And freight trains run on sails; When Santa doesn't arrive on time And drives a pink Cadillac, When Mrs. Claus stays at home To nurse her achine back; Then you'll know it's time To put your toys away, For you won't be in the game of life, At least not on this day. But life is not a game at all, It's imperative we be very serious About the way we go about our lives, However public or mysterious. "Fantasyland does not exist, So wake up and face reality God supplies the important things in life, To bless the likes of me and you! God is real, He is no fantasy!



During the 2nd World War it was imperative that a general get back to his headquarters at once.

In deep darkness and a pouring rain, his driver made his way in and out of shell craters and got him there safely.

The general praised him. But

the driver said, "General, sir, I just kept saying to myself, 'I'm in

Our country's in a mess. Everybody's demanding, "Why doesn't somebody do something?" But we're in this jeep, too. So let's help, not yelp.

The Bible answers, "If My people, shall humble themselves, and pray, and turn from their wicked ways; then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.



Production estimates for the High Plains have not been an easy thing to develop for the 1992 crop according to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers.

Best estimates from area crop watch rs now place the size of the High Plains crop between 1.35 and 1.37 million bales, nearly 150,000 bales below the December USDA estimate for crop reporting districts 1-N and 1-S. Harvested acreage is expected to be near the USDA estimate of 1.39 million for the area.

"The 1992 crop will definitely go down in the books as one of the strangest on record" notes PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson. "The fact that we lost over one and one-half million acres lost over one and one-nair million acres of cotton is noteworthy by itself, adding in the fact that 1992 will be one of the highest quality crops ever produced from a predominately late crop makes it that much more noteworthy."

Total crop losses for the area were approximately 52 percent of expected plantings and averaged as much as 60

percent when accounting for the fact that only 2.7 - 2.8 million acres had actually been planted when the heavy rainfall and

been planted when the heavy rainfall and seedling disease problems that followed swept through the area.

Acreage figures provided by the State ASCS office in College Station indicate approximately 1.475 million cotton acres were certified as standing and slightly under 1.672 million acres reported failed in PCG's 25-county area. The report also indicates that total planted acres were expected to be over 3.1 million.

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PCG calculations indicate that a crop of 1.37 million bales would produce average yields of 473 pounds per acre from 1.39 million harvested acres or 445 pounds per acre from 1.475 million acres. Each scenario is well below the 524 pound average yield estimated by USDA to achieve their 15.1 million bale estimate.

A breakdown of cotton acreages for the 25 county area through the beginning of December is included in the following

\*\*\*\*\* chart \*\*\*\*\*

1992 Total Upland Cotton Acreage Texas High Plains

	Intended	Reported	Reported
County	Plantings	Failed	Standing
	acres	acres	acres
Bailey	88,919.0	81,646.0	6,652.5
Borden	27,698.7	5,467.6	22,231.1
Briscoe	37,018.3	25,828.3	11,169.3
Castro	50,368.9	34,148.2	15,833.8
Cochran	125,129.7	103,657.4	21,404.2
Crosby	196,766.9	115,920.0	80,675.9
Dawson	234,575.3	57,943.3	176,632.0
Deaf Smith	4,204.7	2,397.7	1,735.0
Dickens	30,344.4	9,872.0	20,472.4
Floyd	174,098.6	139,044.4	34,956.2
Gaines	288,430.5	49,662.0	238,767.7
Garza	36,609.9	3,502.6	33,107.3
Hale	203,989.2	182,095.0	20,685.7
Hockley	239,835.9	146,697.5	93,029.7
Howard	88,858.4	38,569.1	50,289.3
Lamb	170,417.1	151,155.2	18,932.9
Lubbock	258,622.4	194,792.8	63,829.6
Lynn	241,286.7	82,120.2	159,166.5
Martin	110,971.8	24,212.3	86,759.5
Midland	30,128.5	1,053.9	29,074.6
Motley	30,438.3	2,242.0	28,109.2
Parmer	54,711.2	47,204.1	6,402.1
Swisher	60,203.6	52,582.2	6,609.1
Terry	239,418.3	.94,602.0	144,816.3
Yoakum	129,891.8	25,429.4	104,462.4
Total	3,152,938.1	1,671,845.2	1,475,804.3
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Information provided by USDA-ASCS

### NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS CAN WORK

Contrary to the way it usually happens, New Year's resolutions are not made to be broken

'Resolutions can work any time of the year if you go slowly and realize you may not succeed on the first try," said Dr. Michael Cox, a psychologist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

pected to be over 3.1 million.

Cox encourages people to ask, "How can I take better care of myself next year?

"It may sound self-centered, but working on personal growth makes you more able to take care of relationships," he

After choosing a resolution or two, write them down

Cox says that it will not make the resolutions a reality, but it does indicate

that you are serious.

Once New Year's Day arrives, it is time to review the list and to get support.

"Whatever change you want to make, tell other people," Cox said. "Give them your sense of direction, so they can help." It may be a friend's encouragement to stick with that new walking program or a co-worker's positive comments that make

the difference. "Take credit for positive changes and accompalishments," Cox said. "As you begin to see yourself making changes, the

attitude truly begins to change."

And, if you do break your resolution?

Try again. There is nothing magical about New Year's. Cox says it is seldom, if ever, too late to make a change.

### 'TIS THE SEASON.....

When Christmas trees start popping up all over town, burglars aren't far be-

hind.
Sad, but true, the Christmas sea brings out the worst in the few people with larceny on their minds. As a matter of fact, there are people who will let you do their Christmas shopping for them. They'll break into your car or your home or even steal your purse while you're shopping.

shopping. So, when you do your Christmas shop-

ping, take some precautions:

— Lock your house and your car

\_ Don't put your purse down or leave it open. Keep your bag securely in your hands, and keep your wallet in a pocket where pickpockets can't reach it. Don't carry a lot of cash, and those bill that you carry, be sure to separate by denomina-

- Check your charge card receipts to be sure they're totaled correctly; and be sure to tear up the carbon and extra cop-

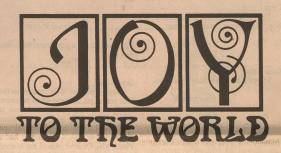
Check your parcels to be sure you really received what your purchased.
 Shop with a friend, and if you're

shopping at night, park in a well-lighted

If you're going to be away for the holidays, make sure your house looks occupied anddoesn't give criminals clues. For instance, use a timer to turn on lights or a radio, and stop your newspaper de-

Hivery.

— Beware of telephone sales pitches at this time of the year. Telephone scam artists take advantage of your spirit of giving by taking.



### DPS Urges Extreme Holiday Driving

The Christmas holiday season is just about upon us. This is one of the most celebrated holidays of the entire year. People will be travelling the streets and highways in abundance. With the increase of traffic, there also comes the increase

and the danger of more accidents.

Major V.J. Cawthon, Regional Commader of the Texas Department of Public Safety, reminds us, "Christmas is a very special time for all of us, We, the Department of Public Safety, reminds us, "Christmas is a very special time for all of us, We, the Department of Public Safety, west to very a very service of the Public Safety west to very a very service of the Public Safety west to very a very service of the Public Safety west to very service of the Public ment of Public Safety, want to urge ev-eryone travelling our streets and high-ways to use extreme care, so that they will arrive at their destination safetly."

Major Cawthon reminded us that the best thing we can do is to adjust our atti-tudes, as we sit down behind the wheel of our vehicles and as we fasten our safety belts. Without a good attitude, we cannot be a defensive driver. Defensive driving is the key to arriving at our destination

accidented free.

Major Cawthon reminds us that a lot of people celebrate the holidays by drink-ing alcoholic beverages in excess. He stated, "If you drink, don't drive and if you drive, don't drink. Drive friendly, the Texas way.

'We will have all available troopers working this season and they will be especially watchful for those drivers that are driving in excess of the speed limit and those that drink while driving," stated Major Cawthon.

The best defense you can have inside a vehicle is to wear your safety belt. Remember, your chances for survival, if times greater if you can remain inside your vehicle.



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Inounce the arrival of her first greatandchild, Elizabeth Carol Rockwell.

Minton of Lewisville, Texas, and Mr. and
Mrs. John Rockwell of Pompano Beach, Mrs. Juanita Cooper would like to announce the arrival of her first greatgrandchild, Elizabeth Carol Rockwell.
She was born December 20, 1992 at 1:07 a.m. in Southwest Methodist Hospital in San Antonio. She weighed 8 pounds and 13 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. Proud parents of the new arrival are Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rockwell of San Antonio. She Neckwell of San Antonio. She weighed 8 pounds and 13 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. Paternal great-grandmother is Mrs. Bob (Doll) Jameson of Matador.

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### Whiteflat News

by Earlyne Jameson 智管管管管管管管管管管管管管 OVERHEARD

We hope our grandchildren remember this Christmas because of the love they feel around them, rather than the many gifts they receive. We hope they learn as we did, that love doesn't come gift wrapped from a store.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Dixon visited in Wheeler, Wednesday and Thursday with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Adrain Risner. They visited in Lockney, Saturday with his sister, Mrs. Liller Garsison and attended the Christmas party at WTU in Canyon, attended an OPEN HOUSE in the home of the Rev. and Mrs. Eddie (Kahty) Marcum in Wolfforth.

Sauruday with missister, Mrs. Effect Gar-rison and attended the Christmas party at the Care Center.

Jonah Stan of Denver, Colorado ar-rived Monday to spend the holidays with his grandmother, Mrs. Jack Spray.

Matadors had their first real Christmas

tree. Some of the cowboys rode horse-back over the cedar breaks, looked over

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aturday to visit his wife, Mrs. Sibyl Barton at the Lockney Care Center and attend the Christmas party. Also attending was Mrs. Barton's sister, Mrs. Zona-Ruth Cammack of Matador. Mrs. King had recent catarack eye surgery in Plainview and is reported to be doing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gordon of Post

Eddie (Kahty) Marcum in Wolfforth, Sunday Mrs. Turner and Heather attended the Christmas party at the Lockney Care

his grandmother, Mrs. Jack Spray.

Mrs. Juanita Cooper and friend, Mrs.
Pauline Hand of Roaring Springs attended the Christmas party at the Floydada Nursing Home, Thursday night. They shared the happy occasion with their parents

Mrs. Rob Jameson and Jim

Mrs. H.R. "Skeet" Jameson were her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Gary B.

Laughlin of Midland. They were en rouch home from Amarillo where they visited home from Amarillo where they visited Gage. home from Amarillo where they visited her mother, Mrs. Susie Posey Sain and sister and husband, Ronda and Mike Webb. They attended Friday night, Wilson Barton accompanied his sister and husband, Ronda and Mike Webb. They attended Friday night, Ronda's commencement at WTU in ter, Mrs. Katherine King of Matador and Mrs. Jana Guest of Turkey to Lockney,

ranch on Christmas. On the contrary, it was more fun than ever - for there were more families and the people had become better acquainted. The intimacy among friends that adorns the season had been established.

Even the tradition of the little girl's desire for a doll at Christmas had not changed. The little girl of today cannot possibly love the beautiful wax dolls that are made by the factories any more than the little doll girls have desired.

are made by the factories any more than the prospects, and finally decided on an enormous tree which was to become the first ranch Christmas tree.

Back at ranch headquarters the tree was trimmed with candles and popcorn and was set up for benefit of the general public. Gifts were put beneath the tree and were later exchanged. The small children of the county were rounded up for the party so they too could exchange iffs. need for improvement.

However, the tree and the new fashion of celebrating the Yuletide season did not substitute for the gay dance that had always been the center of attraction at the

### NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Flomot News

by Earlyne Jameson

TOURIST ATTRACTIONS
IN TEXAS
Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin returned
home recently from a trip that included
historical and tourist attractions in Jefferson and Marshall, Texas.
In Jefferson they toured the beautiful

son and Marshall, Texas.

In Jefferson, they toured the beautiful FREE PLANTATION built in 1850 by slave labor furnished with authentic Victorial antiques; THE BEARD HOUSE built in 1860 located in the historic downtown district and furnished with Federal, Empire and Victorian periods; EXCELSIOR HOUSE has been in operation since the 1850's and is now a Bed and Breakfast furnished in period furniture; THE MANSE and DR. ELLIS' home are among the historical homes open to the public during Holiday Tours. These homes are occupied by descen-These homes are occupied by descendants of the original owners and shown by a member of the family. This tour was especially interesting for Mr. and Mrs.

Martin.

They enjoyed a boat ride on the Bayou where they heard about Jefferson being a thriving river port until 1876. A big log jam was removed, causing the water to lower that ruined the shipping industry. The large steamboats would turn around in Jefferson and return as far away as New Orleans.

They were impressed with the tour of

They were impressed with the tour of Jay Gould's Private Railroad Car named Atlanta Gould. He used this car until his death in 1892. It was brought to Jefferson during the oil boom and was used as living quarters for the T&Y Yard Master and his family. The car is 88 feet long, had state rooms lounged diving room.

A state rooms, lounge, dining room, kitchen butler's pantry and bath!

Concluding the tour in Jefferson, they had a trolly ride of the city, tour of old cemetery and the legendary story of Diamond Bessie.

They enjoyed a delicous catfish din-

They enjoyed a delicous catfish dinner in a log cabin restaurant at Caddo Lake and a walk to the water edge to see the Cyprus trees.

They continued to Marshall and observed master potters at the Marshall Pottery making dishes. The WONDER-LAND OF LIGHTS in Marshall was spectacular display of 5 million lights including 2 million lights on the court-house that is now a museum. A parade where the local Wich School hand in where the local High School band in lighted uniforms leading the procession was a sparkling sight to see! A city tour included the Church of the Bells and a

Home Tour.
Mr. and Mrs. Martin returned home recommending the trip to anyone who enjoys touring beautiful and historical

IN HOSPITAL

Joe Degan is a patient in the Methodist visiting Hospital in Plainview. At his bedside family besides his wife, Leona are daughter and Julie.

TOUR OF HISTORICAL AND TOURIST ATTRACTIONS IN TEXAS

TOUR OF HISTORICAL AND Husband, Dr. and Mrs. Jerry (Sheila) Gilbert of Jacksonville, Alabama. They enplaned to Lubbock, Friday.

Z.D. Starkey of Amarillo visited his mother, Mrs.C.W. Starkey, Sunday. Mrs.A.D. Moseley visited the past week in Dimmitt with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Coy Dunn, Mrs. Dunn was under medical treatment for

Mr. and Mrs. Dickie Cloyd and Jason of Memphis visited his mother, Mrs. Annie Bee Cloyd, Saturday. Mary Ellen Barton and Viola Stinson

visited in Floydada, Friday with Mrs. Mollie Burleson. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers visited

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers visited in Plainview, Saturday with Joe Degan, a patient in Methodist Hospital. Tommy Beck and son, Arthur of Turkey visited Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, Sunday.
Wayne Hunter has been on the sick list this week.
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey visited Tuesday and Wednesday in Amarillo with Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Reid and children and in Canyon with Mr. and Mrs. Michael Starkey.

Michael Starkey.
Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Cannon of Tulia visited Sunday with her mother, Mrs. James Monk.

Steve Green of Silverton visited his father, Art Green, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Morris, Dodie and Rabecca attended to business in Plaiview, Friday and visited Mr. and Mrs. Tim Lane and children.

Mrs. Butch Hughes was in Lubbook

Mrs. Butch Hughes was in Lubbock, recently to be with her father, Clyde Rogers of Turkey, a patient in St. Mary's

May so Thompson and Mrs. Orville Lee and week-end houseguests, grandsons, Kellan Roberts of Plainview and Josh and Bran-don Lee of Flomot were guests, Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lee, Robert, Jason and Ernje in Clarendon and Ernie in Clarendon.

Cindy and Christi Shorter, Texas Tech students, are visiting during the holidays with their family, Mr. and Mrs. Clois

Shorter and Keri.
Natalie and Brooke Rogers of Lindale arrived Saturday to visit the holidays with their father, Donnie Rogers' and grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers. Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Starkey, Jackie

and Tanya visited from Friday until Sunday in Wellington with Mrs. Edna Benton and Mr. and Mrs G.C. Baker and had a pre-Christmas celebration.

Dr. Jerry Gilbert of Jacksonville, Alabama is visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D.M. "Ikie" Gilbert. They visited in Plainview, Saturday with Joe Degan, a patient in Methodist Hospi-

Tina Clay, student at Texas Tech, is visiting during the holidays with her family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay and

### Roaring Springs News

by Odessa Mullins & Roxie Lewis 雪雪雪雪雪雪雪雪雪雪雪雪雪雪雪雪 Community Volunteers Hosts Christmas Party

The Roaring Springs Community one had a good time opening toys, deco-Volunteers held their Christmas party rated boxer shorts, bull grinder, Christ-Thursday, December 10 at the L&L Cafe. mas stocking from Rudolph, Corral and horses, and other assortment of gifts. were prepared by Volunteers of hot wings, chips and dips, cookies, breads and other delicous foods.

After the buffet, gag gifts, brought by each one present, were delivered by Andy Brown as numbers were called. Every-

The drawing was held for the beautiful quilt made by the Community Volun-

teers. It was won by Cleo Watson who

was present and very delighted to have

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Christmas came early in the home of Mrs. Minnie Dye. Her son, A.J. Assistant to the Director of Extension of the United States Department of Agriculture was scheduled to speak Monday, December 14, to South Plains Cotton farmers concerning ways and means of better production and marking their cotton. He arrived in Lubbock Eriday night. December 14, 190 Mrs. Lillian Thacket's new room rived in Lubbock Eriday night. December 14, 190 Mrs. Lillian Thacket's new room marking their cotton. He arrived in Lubbock Eriday night. December 14, 190 Mrs. Lillian Thacket's new room marking their cotton. He arrived in Lubbock Eriday night. December 14, 190 Mrs. Vera Mitchell accompanied Rev. and Mrs. Donnie Howell to Littlefield Mrs. Donnie Howell to Littlefiel rived in Lubbock Friday night, December 11, and spent the night in the home of his brother, Chet Dye at Crosbyton. On Saturday, he and Chet and sons, Cody and Bryce, came to the home of Mrs. Minnie Dye. Chet and his sons spent the day. They were joined by their sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Rollie McNutt and Ben of Spade. Mr. and Mrs. R.A. McNutt of Lubbock came for the day on Sunday. There was good food, games of forty-two and exchange of gifts. All left late Sun-

day afternoon day atternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. B.L. Peacock left Thursday of last week to keep an early Friday morning medical appointment. They enplaned from Lubbock Air Terminal Saturday for Phoenix, Arizona, to spend Christmas with his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Peacock. They plan to go on to Sacramento to visit her sister and husband in Sacramento, California, be-

and their family.

Mrs. Lillian Thacker's new room number is 433 West, Methodist Hospital, 3615 19th Street, the zip code is 79410.

Mrs. H.C. Smith, who has been in Lubbock for several weeks to be near her mother, Mrs. Lillian Thacker, who is hospitalized in Methodist Hospital was at hospitalized in Methodist Hospital was at

home the past weekend.

Mrs. Cora Mitchell of Amarillo is the guests of her daughter and husband, Mr. nd Mrs. Buzz Thacker.
Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Thacker were Lub

bock visitors Sunday. They visited his grandmother, Mrs. Lillian Thacker at Methodist Hospital.

Methodist Hospital.

Visiting Mary Lumsden Sunday for a pre-Christmas dinner and tree were her sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Largent of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Don Largent and Cody of Afton.

Mr. and Mrs. Todd Mullins, Josh and Nicholas of Lubbock spent Saturday night with their grandmother, Odessa Mullins.

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And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a

Luke 2:8-12

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#### Jesus Is Called God



There is one God (Deuteronomy 6:4). He is expressed in three persons, The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit. Each is called God in the Bible. However, neither is God without consideration of the other two. There are not three Gods. It is not 1+1+1. It is 1x1x1; and this equals One.

The Heavenly Father is called God. Read I Corinthians 8:6. The Bible calls Jesus God. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God...And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us..." (John 1:1,14). "But unto the Son He saith, Thy throne, O God, is forever and ever...." (Hebrews 1:8).

Any person or any writing which denies the Diety of Jesus Christ is not a reliable source of information. To deny the Diety of Jesus is misleading and a failure to honor even the Father. "That all men should honor the Son, even as they honor the Father. He that honoreth not the Son honoreth not the Father."

The Holy Spirit is called God in the New Testament. "But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Spirit?...thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God." (Acts 5: 3,4).

Since it is always safe to follow the Bible, we should call each of the three Divine personalities, God. However, in calling either one of them God, we should not be eliminating from consideration the other two. Yes, the baby born so long ago in a stable and laid in a feed trough was indeed. God. And because so long ago in a stable and laid in a feed trough, was indeed, God. And because He is, we are accountable unto Him. (John 12:48).

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Bids must be in the Judges office no later than 5:00 p.m. January 8. Mail bids to the Judges office, Box 719, Matador, Texas 79244.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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PLANS FOR CENTENNIAL
The First Baptist Church is preparing for their
Centennial in June, 1993. They would like to have
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ASSOCIATION
SEEKING INFORMATION
The Northfield Cemetery Association is trying o purchase markers for all of the unmarked graves that are in our cemetery. If anyone has any information that might be useful to us we would appreciate

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Also, if anyone would like to help with this project, donations and memorials may be sent to:
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MAMMOGRAM CLINIC
A clinic will be held in Matador on Wednesday,
January 27, 1993 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at
the Motley County Clinic, 1224 Main. Exams are
done by appointment only. For more information
about the clinic or to make an appointment, please
call the Harrington Cancer Center at their toll free
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