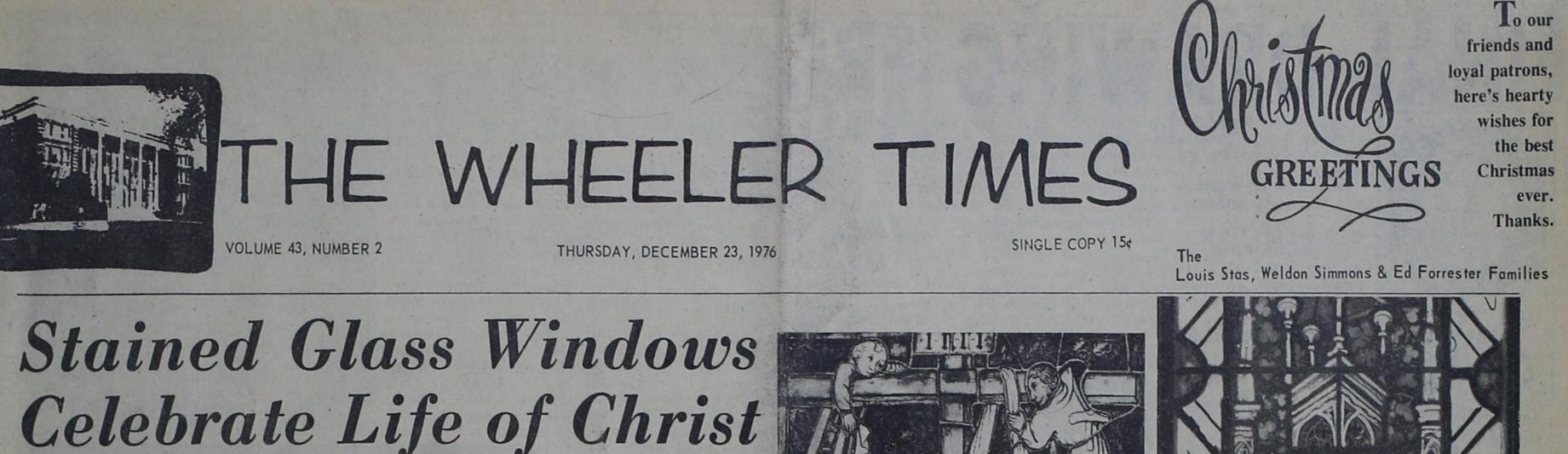
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The impact of its incandescent splendor and its over-whelming physical magnitude make the stained glass window one of the most spectacular art forms ever. They are at once dazzling and awesome. Since stained glass owes its artistic existence to light, it is directly affected by its environment.

Jewel-like Brilliance

Almost undiscernible from its exterior, the stained glass windows of a Gothic cathedral, viewed from its interior, reveal tier on tier of dazzling and sparkling windows. The brilliance is intensified not only by the impurities and bub-bles within the glass itself, but by the dirt and weathering of the exterior as well. Just as a jewel, its brilliance en-hanced by its many facets, glimmers and glows, so do we find the stained glass window dazzles and dances as the position of the sun's rays move through it. Each mark or scar on its surface further intensifies its brilliance.

Early Stained Glass

Colored glass beads were worn by the ancient Egyptians and glass blowing was known to the Roman Empire, but no one really knows just when and where stained glass was first used. The cathedral window was Gothic in origin, though examples of stained glass that possibly date from the eighth century, were found in France.

Biblical Themes

Windows that told stories of the Bible and the saints were first conceived in the twelfth century. Five larger-than-life-sized figures, The Prophets, in the windows of the Cathedral of Augsburg, Germany, are the oldest stained glass windows still to be seen in their original setting. One of the greatest existing series of windows, in the Cathedral of Chartres, France, depicts scenes from the Old and New Testaments, the Virgin and Christ, Apostles and Saints These date from 1200-1240





Left — THE FLIGHT INTO ECYPT scene from the



and Saints. These date from 1200-1240.

New Uses

Until the end of the Middle Ages stained glass windows, monumental and religious, were so costly that the only buildings deemed worthy to receive them as gifts were houses of God. Stained glass became secular as well as church art with the increasing affluence of the growing middle class.

Contemporary Stained Glass Windows

After a period when interest in stained glass windows waned, the late 1800's brought about new and original designs and color schemes. Artists Charles J. Connick and Wilbur Herbert Burnham became well known for their beautiful windows designed for the Cathedrals of St. John the Divine and St. Patrick in New York City, Grace Ca-



thedral in San Francisco and other churches in the United States. In France, Henri Matisse, Georges Rouault, and Fernand Leger designed windows for churches in Assy and other areas. Rebuilding of churches damaged during World War II, in Germany and England, resulted in new and outstanding stained glass windows in contemporary designs. designs.

A Gift to the World

Stirring in their beauty and magnitude, stained glass windows inspire and reinforce in blazing glory the message they contain . . . a message of brotherhood and love and promise, and a renewal of our faith in all mankind.

Labor Bay of the Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine, New York City. Photo by C. Harrison Conroy.

Above - PASSION, DEPOSITION - Carmelite Church of Boppard-am-Rheim, Germany, 1445. The Metropolitan Museum of Art, Thomas Leland Fund.

Right - ANNUNCIATION - Segment of window from the castle chapel at Ebreichsdorf, Austria, about 1390. The Metropolitan Museum of Art, The Cloisters Collection.

Greeting cards have colorful, historic sources

Each year researchers come up with more and more fascinating information about the origins of Christmas and New Year greetings.

Greeting cards are usually made of stiff paper or card-board, but cloth, vellum, leather, celluloid, metal, wood, clay, cork, and new materials have been added to their designs. Cards and their messages vary in size. In 1929 an inscribed grain of rice was presented as a Christmas greeting to the Prince of Wales, and in 1924, President Calvin Coolidge received a Christmas card that measured 21 x 33 inches!

In ancient Egypt the New Year was celebrated by the exchange of symbolic presents such as scent bottles and scarabs inscribed "an ab nab" ("all good luck"). The Ro-mans exchanged strenae, originally branches of laurel or olive, often coated with gold leaf. Symbols of seasonal good will, such as a Roman lamp and the figure of Victory surrounded by strenae, were combined on objects of baked clay, with the inscription "Anno Novo faustum felix tibi sit" ("May the New Year be happy and lucky for you"). The acknowledgment of the New Year with the exchanges of good will continued in Europe through the early days of Christianity. Christianity.

In the 15th century, master wood engravers produced inscribed prints which had the same intent as the modern Christmas and New Year cards. One of these shows the Christ Child with halo, before a cross holding a scroll on which appears "Ein gust selig ior" ("A good and happy year"). During the 18th and early 19th centuries, copper plate engravers were producing prints and calendars for the New Year and greetings by merchants and tradesmen were common were common.

Recognized as the first Christmas card is one designed in England by J. C. Horsley, in 1843 for his friend Sir Henry Cole. An edition of 1,000 copies was placed on sale at Felix Summerly's Treasure House in London in 1846. They were printed by lithography on stiff cardboard, in dark sepia and hand colored. The design shows a family party in progress, beneath which is the greeting, "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to You."

A similar card was designed by W. M. Egley of London and produced as an etching in 1848. While this card is and produced as an etching in 1848. While this card is more elaborate, its design suggests a relationship to the Cole-Horsley card. The same may be said of an American Christmas card of the same period, designed by R. H. Pease of Albany, N.Y., which bore the inscription, "Pease's Great Variety Store in The Temple of Fancy." Sentiment cards were exchanged and collected in the United States from 1830 to the Civil War and many have survived ... among them an "expanding heart" Christmas present or greeting card in purse form, dating from about 1859.

Today you can say Merry Christmas in Macedonian, Greek, Hungarian, any one of 32 languages plus Braille.

"Christmas Fantasy" A legendary doll house comes to sparkling life

The Christmas season celebrated in-museums across the country, brings a rich panoply of holiday customs, traditions and dazcustoms, traditions and daz-zling beauty. One such dis-play, a Christmas exhibi-tion at The Museum of the City of New York, "A Party at the Stettheimers" was put together by John Noble, curator at the Museum. It was a labour of love and involvement for Mr. Noble who says the personality of the creator of the house "very clearly expressed it-self" in determining what he could and could not do, in creating a Christmas fantasy in this unique doll house.

A different level of reality has been achieved and a set of dolls artfully designed to bring the house to sparkling life. It is the Stettheimers themselves, Florine and Ettie, Carrie and their mother, who are portrayed, and the house was decorated for Christmas as they might have done it in the mid-1920's, and peopled with some of their illustrious friends.

The Stettheimer House was made during the 1920's by Carrie Walter Stettheimer, one of three fabulous sisters who, with their mother "ruled for almost a generation one of the acknowledged intellectual salons of our town." (Henry



STETTHEIMER DOLL HOUSE decorated for Christmas. Mother and daughter at tea in the living room. Courtesy Museum of the City of New York.

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a diminutive world not unlike the one in which she lived . . . one of embroidered bed sheets, bedrooms lined in chintz, luxurious draperies, crystal chandeliers.

Original petit point cov-ers many of the chairs and also carpets the living room floor

All the miniature pieces have been faithfully reproduced. There are tiny bot-tles atop a dressing table, a bathroom scale of minute proportions, dishes and cutlery of microdimensions, and would you believe, a working elevator!

In the nursery which is appropriately papered and furnished, there is a set of doll furniture that could fit in a nutshell.

The house was filled with dolls of the Stettheimers and their friends, by Mr. Noble. The dolls were mod-eled from Florine's paint-ings and dressed in authen-tic styles of the day. Among them are sculptor Gaston Lachaise, painter Marcel Duchamp, writer Henry Mc-Bride, photographer Edward Steichen, composer Virgil Thompson and other eminent personalities who frequented the salon. Some of the greatest literary and artistic figures of the 20's and 30's were part of the coterie attending the small formal dinner parties in the

The Miracle of Christmas

The merry rejoicing at Christmas, celebrating the Birth of Christ, seeks to recapture the glory and won-der of the Nativity. People everywhere come together in warmth and goodwill, recalling the Source of the Spirit that binds them together.

Spirit that binds them together. Although Christmas is celebrated all over the world, it is not really known whether or not Jesus, as a boy, ever had a birthday party. Jews of His time did not celebrate birthdays... such observances were for kings and other important people, who lived in palaces. With or without birthday parties, Jesus had an enchanted childhood, so say the legends. One such story says He made mud-ple birds one rainy day, and as He finished them, they flew away. For having bowed down to give its fruit to His Holy Mother, Jesus rewarded a palm tree by having a cutting of it planted in Paradise. The Magic of Christmas is happily contagious,

The Magic of Christmas is happily contagious, transforming the world in an atmosphere of brother-hood and anticipation. Its magic brings families together, inspires a spirit of generosity and giving, and fills the heart with a heady lightheartedness long remembered from one's childhood.

For it is in childhood that the magic of the Yule-tide is felt most keenly. The air quivers with excite-ment and the promise of things to come. Pungent smells fill the house and little ones can hardly sleep, for listening to the furtive sounds of mom and dad tiptoeing and whispering and wrapping, far into the night night.

An old French proverb says "Miracles happen only to those who believe in them." Surely, we can all be-lieve! Surely we can reinforce our faith in miracles!

Women's lib endorses green Christmas

For about 35 years both men and women have been sentimentally dreaming of a "White Christmas." The observed.

At pagan winter festivals in early times, winter flowering plants and evergreens were prized for their prom-ise of the return of the sun and of spring. Holly and ivy are part of that ancient heritage and were extolled in an old Christmas carol "The Holly and the Ivy." As far back as those ancient pagan games, holly was characterized as masculine, ivy as feminine. At a later date, it was decided that spiney-leaved hollies are "he" and smooth-leaved hollies are "she."

A Festive Name "Merry Christmas" in June? September? It is for a lovely young lady in Sac-ramento, California, whose name is truly Merry Cheree Christmas Christmas!

this charming young wom-an never tires of explaining

In answer to endless in-quiries and as many jokes,

poignant message of Irving Berlin's popular song is dear to us all, at holiday time. However, a Green Christmas is an ancient custom and more universally

McBride)

Given to the museum 30 years ago, the doll house was the life-long project of this wealthy spinster. It has advanced decorating ideas, a miniature gallery, and as Mr. Noble suggests, almost ghostly glimpses into the life of the Stettheimer sisters.

Florine Stettheimer was a self-taught painter and stage designer whose works were exhibited at The Museum of Modern Art, in the 1940's after her death. Ettle Stettheimer wrote novels under the name of Henrie Waste. Carrie, long considered the least talented of the three sisters, created her fabulous doll house, putting together its elaborate furnishings herself. Carrie Stettheimer created



STETTHEIMER DOLL HOUSE decorated for 1920's Christmas, Friends in and around the art gallery include Gaston Lachaise chatting with painter Marcel Duchamp, writer Henry McBride greeting Florine Stettheimer, Edward Steichen on the balcony photographing Elizabeth Duncan. Courtesy Museum of the City of New York.

lavish apartment of Mrs. Stettheimer.

The most remarkable feature of the doll house is its art gallery containing what has proved to be a choice collection of works by important artists of the period, all created especially for this mini-mansion. Of the many small original masterpieces, perhaps the most celebrated are Marcel Duchamp's miniature version of his "Nude Descending a Staircase" and the alabaster "Venus" by Gaston Lachaise.

The festive doll house, with its glittering ephemeral decorations and its soignée occupants, show a glimpse of a lifestyle now almost lost, a glimpse of people who have become legends.

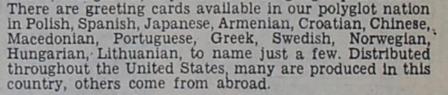
Depending on the kind of holly brought home at the holidays, it was determined whether he or she would be head of the house, the New Year!

Womens libbers will undoubtedly be cornering the market on smooth-leaved holly this happy holiday season!



that her name really is Merry Christmas, and is spelled just that way. She is used to people thinking it's funny and the constant teasing, but enjoys the fun of it as much as others of it as much as others. Miss Christmas, whose fame has spread all over the world, spends a considerable amount of time answering the many people who write her. She starts writing her Christmas cards in September.

Asked about marriage proposals and changing her name, Miss Christmas responded "Well, I've seriously thought about marriage a couple of times, but I was raised the old-fashioned way and I guess I'm looking for an old-fashioned type of person who thinks like I do. I really like the traditional things - like Christmas.'



It was noted by one of the manufacturers of these Christmas cards, that whenever there is turmoil or a revolution in a foreign country, the sales in that language soar. Since type faces in some languages are unavailable, many of the exotic messages are photographed from the originals. In the case of some Chinese messages, a waiter in a Chinese restaurant who is also an artist, wrote the greetings on a piece of paper from which they were photographed and reproduced.

Felices Navidades! Froliche Welhnachter! To you all!

SCENTED GIFT

Pomander balls make beautiful gifts trimmed up with velvet ribbons, lace and pretty braid. Tie them prettily from bits and pieces you have tucked away in your sewing box. Their fragrance will last long after the holidays are gone.

CHRISTMAS WRAP

Aluminum foil makes any gift special looking and is especially marvelous for wrapping those odd shaped things that never seem to fit into any box. Wrap and tie with brightly colored yarn . . . several different colors at the same time!

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Time for merriment and fun, for family gatherings, for caroling ... time to say thanks to all our customers and friends who make doing business such a pleasure. Loyd's & Streets, Inc **Ben Franklin**

cember 24.

DRAWING F

the west side of the courthouse as ings. drawing have. Seventeen Wheeler shoppers will share in the script to be handed out Friday. Some lucky

Crowd Present At Second Drawing

Another large crowd was on hand Saturday for the second of three drawings being sponsored this year by the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce. A total of \$1,000 will be given away at the conclusion of the three events. Wheeler shoppers were all eligible for a portion of the \$300 in script which was divided 16 ways Saturday. Three people were not present to claim their envelopes when their names were drawn. Lillie Bowman and Mrs. Mattie Atherton were each handed envelopes containing \$50 in script. They were the big winners in the second of three drawings. The \$25 envelopes went to David Jones, Oral Helton, Joel Dodd and L. V. Sivage. Ten envelopes containing \$10 each were handed to nine different people with Roy Bradstreet having his name drawn twice for a \$10 envelope. The other eight people whose names were drawn for \$10 were Mrs. Geo. Warren, Laneta Argan-

bright, Lynne Ford, B. Harville,

Betty Pittz, Harold L. Jones, P.

A. Martin and Cathy Harrison.

Mary E. Jones had her name

The third and final \$400 of person will receive an envelope Forty-nine people will share the \$1,000 Christmas Drawing containing \$100 at the drawing; \$1,000.00. The Wheeler Merwill be given away Friday, De- the \$100 will be added to the \$300 chants will give away \$300 at the which has been given away in first two drawings, December This drawing will be held on each of the two previous draw- 11th and 18th \$400 will be given away December 24th. The 2:30 P.M. as the other two Tickets will be available at all money will be divided for the first two drawings: 2-\$50; 4-\$25; and stores sponsoring the drawing

10-\$10. beginning, Wednesday December 1. The first drawing will be divided: 1-\$100; 2-\$50; 4-\$25; held Saturday, December 11 at and 10-\$10. 2:30 P.M. Other drawings will Remember, each time you be held December 18th and 24th.

> Lolled up these warm wishes Packed 'em full of fun, For a Happy, **Happy Christmas** That's a really perfect one.

Thanks to you all.



...sign it...deposit the tickets in other's prizes.

the containers which are con-. Those sponsoring the drawing Wheeler Flower Shop, Wheeler Veterinary clinic. eniently located in the spon- are as follows: Albert's Shamtock! Loyd's Ben Franklin, Pete oring firms.

You will receive one ticket per Burton Ford, Garrison Service, each dollar purchase up to a Frankenbery Texaco, Harper's Deep Rock, Hyland's Pharmacy, maximum of \$500.00 When the day of the drawing J & J Shamrock, Koshare Shop, arrives, all of the tickets will be Lancaster Dept. Store, L. & F placed in a large container and Repair, Lee Hardware & Furnithe winners drawn. You must be ture, Mcllhany Dry Goods, Prit-

chard's Thriftway, Roark's Fine

Foods, Trading Post, Ware

Chevrolet, Wheeler Co Op,

Wheeler Lumber Co., The Dot

Shop, Wil-Mart, and Outlet

The third, drawing will be Rites Read For Neal M. Rentroe

Store. Neal M. Renfroe, 84, died Those donating to drawing Monday, December 20, 1976. fund, but not giving tickets are: Services were at 10:30 A.m. Baker Automotive, City Flower & Wednesday, December 22, 1976, Gift Shoppe, Wheeler County at the First Baptist Church, Farm Bureau, First National Burial was in Forest Lawn Cemetery in Los Angeles, California.

Mr. Renfroe was born in Garland. He married Effie Helton in 1939 in Yuma, Arizonia. The couple moved to Wheeler in 1942. He was a member of the Baptist Church and Masonic Lodge. Survivors include the widow; three sons, Neal Jr. of Los Angeles, California, Dick of Eureka, California, and Billy of La Crescenta, California; and 18 grandchildren.

Eva Ellen Hess Services Tuesday

Mrs. Eva Ellen Hess, 67, died Sunday, December 19, 1976, in Shamrock.

Services were held December 21, 1976 in First Methodist Church with the Reverend Ernest McGaughey, pastor, officiating. Burial was in the Wheeler Cemetery by Wright Funeral Home. Mrs. Hess was born in Ratliff. She married C. J. Hess in 1928 in Pampa. The couple moved to

enter a participating store you present to win. However, hus- len Insurance, Production Credit Gas, Inc., Wheeler Redi-Mix, are entitled to a ticket; ask for it bands and wives may claim each Association, Rives Insurance, Wright Funeral Home, and Southwestern Public Service, Reeves Electric and Wheeler



Weldon & Dolores Simmons





Wheeler from Pampa in 1959. He died this year. She was a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include two sons, Bob Hess of Crane and Cecil Hess of Lacamp, Louisiana; three daughters, Mrs. Vernon Bell and Mrs. Norman Bently, both of Pampa and Mrs. Don Keim of Fort Collins, Colorado; tow sisters, Mrs. Robie Putman of Fordonville and Mrs. W. O. Read of Bertram; and ten grandchildren." of sanai are (usains The Pallbearers were Glen

Darling, Barney Mills, Don Dilman, Troy Shipman, G. B. Hogan, and Ernie Trumm.

NEW ARRIVAL Elizabeth Sue Stiles announces the arrival of a brother Robert Walker Stiles, II. Born December 10, 1976 weighing 8 lbs. 5 oz. and 20 inches long. Parents are Bob and Sue Stiles

of Pacahontas, Arkansas. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Stiles, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Topper.

Dear Santa. I have tried to be a good girl. I saw you at Perryton. May I have some pom-poms. Please. I love you Santa. Love. Tammy Baker

Christmas Greetings

may your Christmas star lead you to a richer, happier life: warm with love, bright with joy, secure in peace. We take this opportunity to thank you for being such good friends. We're grateful for your goodwill and loyal patronage.

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natives of Oklahoma, were mar-

Every one is invited.

No Gifts Please

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WEDDING ANNIVERSARY 1926 1976 rried at Wheeler, Texas on Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Anderson, December 25, 1976. After 23 and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Barham, years as a school teacher family request your presence at a re- in Oklahoma, they became part ception in honor of the 50th of the Wheeler community from Wedding Anniversary of their 1949 to the present time. Having parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. K. completed a 46 year school Barham, Sunday, December 26, teaching career, they have refrom 2:00 P.M. to 4 P.M. at the tired, and reside on South Main, Fellowship Hall, First Baptist in Wheeler. Church, Wheeler, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Barham are

Chamber of Commerce

LIGHTING CONTEST

Commerce Decorating Contest Christmas tree and dolls. were announced Wednesday Winners in the 1975 contest morning. A number of busi- were Wheeler Abstract and the nesses and individuals joined in First National Bank.

Winners of the Chamber of western Public Service with its mas morning is the best gift of Chomp, chomp, he bit down on MERRY all. This makes all the work and the cookie. "Yeech! I feel for preparation worth while. that fat fool that eats this. he will By: Terry Collins have to have a stomach of steel to keep this down." A CHRISTMAS WISH helping spread the Christmas A traveling trophy will be I have a wish for Christmas presented The Dot Shop at the branches waiting for the exact that is very dear to me. Businesses named the most Chamber of Commerce Installmoment. He starts climbing To my beloved Grandmother down the icycles and drops to a I wish for thee. Dot Shop with its fireplace Southwestern Public Service will ball on the tree. "Oh no!" He I love the times I spend with you Christmas scene and South- receive a plaque at the banquet. shouts. Here comes Surefoot Christmas, the best time of all First place winner in the home The love that you give to me running through the house shakdecorations was the Kent Sims ing the tree. The ball starts the precious gift of all. residence at 1303 S. Canadian. spinning, and Jackson hangs on I want to express my love, Second place honors go to the Bill for dear life. He can not take this A Christmas wish to you, Atherton home at 910 S. Alan L. any longer, so he let's go. May you have joy and peace Bean Blvd. A check for \$25 will Sailing through the air, he prays and a Merry Christmas, too. be presented the first place for a soft landing and then. **By: Carla Schaffer** winner and the second place splash! He lands in the glass of **IT IS CHRISTMAS TIME** winner will receive \$\$15. The Candles lighted. milk on the coffee table. checks will be presented at the The lights flash on and the In a row, Chamber of Commerce Banquet. family runs to the tree to open Casting shadows, The Jim Wright residence at the presents. Jackson finally As they glow. 907 S. Main received honorable manages to get out of the milk Holly, pine, mention. and while crawling disgustingly And Misletoe. If you have not made a tour of to his home he mutters some-On the lawn, the town, take time to do so New-fallen snow. thing like BAH HUMBUG! Wait

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THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT 000

Christmas only comes once a

year, but when it finally comes, people begin to change. The fellings that are kept wrapped up inside them all year long, the feelings of love that seem out of place till now are suddenly set free. Separated families are drawn closer together by this once in a year feeling of love. People whom you have disliked before do not seem to bother you any more. Everyday things are during this time.

Christmas is a time of giving, and we all have the hearts for doing so. We forget about spending too much money, but instead spend all it takes for someone we love to be satisfied. Christmas is a time all children wait for. Their minds run wild with wonderful characters of Christmas. Santa Claus always seems to be just an ordinary guy until Christmas, then he becomes the center of attraction.

I know Christmas is a lot of work for adults, and maybe they prefer not looking forward as much as the children. It only comes once a year so why ruin the dreams of a young child by being a disbeleiver. To see the faces of the children on Christ-

Twas the night before Christ- Christmas is a time for giving mas and all through the house and sharing with many people. It not a creature was stirring not is a time when your family is even a mours. Except Jackson, together, and shares the joys of the little gray mouse hiding giving. The fellowship that is

under the Christmas tree stand. shared with your relatives and He was going to burglarize all the friends is a warm feeling that gifts that Santa was going to passes over everyone. bring. This was Jackson's first Christmas is not only a time for caper, so he snuck across the joy and giving, but also a time of

carpet and crawled in the little "Thanksgiving". We should be hole he had gnawed in the corner thankful for the many things we fancy because he had stolen all Christmas!

the furniture and what-nots out One of the main highlights of of the little girl's Barbie doll Christmas is the expression on a house. He was rummaging small child's face when he is through the clothes and found decoratin the tree, the irreplacejust what he wanted, a block able smile on his face when he ballet suit and a Lone Ranger has just bought his first Christmask. Whe he put them on, he mas present. looked like a perfect cat burglar. Christmas is a time when there

Jackson scrambled out of his should be peace and harmony hole, tippy-toeing by Surefoot, throughout the world. Everythe family canine, who was thing should be right with the curled up by the fire. Jackson world.

now ran down the coffee table The time when I really feel the and was going to make a flying Christmas Spirit is when I go leap to the Christmas tree which shopping and the Christmas was to be the spot of the ambush. music is playing in the malls and Before Jackson's mad leap he on the streets. It always feels so came to a screaching halt at the good to have all of your family end of the table, where there together for Christmas Dinner were cookies and milk. He just and to know that all of your loved could not resist, he had to test it. ones are around you! CHRISTMAS

By: Cindy Davis DEAR GOD,

across the world to have a nice Now Jackson is hiding in the You are a kind of Santa Claus gift from you at Christmas. I to me. I am a little too old to think this would be the greatest beleive in Santa, but I always do gift of all, but I know that this beleive in You, and I always will. probably is not possible. It is awful the way some people The next thing I would like for overlook the whole meaning of you to do is to remind all the Christmas. They become so people all over the world what involved with gifts and such that Christmas really means. The Your Son is the farthest thing meaning of Christmas is the birth from their minds. Why, if it was of Christ. Many people forget not for Jesus, there would not why we celebrate Christmas. even be a Christmas! I know I am a little old to Jesus came into the cruel beleive in Santa, but these things world in some very miserable mean so much to me. Thank you. conditions. Not many people Love.

Christmas is a time for rebirth. remembrance, and renewal. It is the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. The so called "Spirit of Christmas" is a highly contagious feeling that can be

vuletide season. People seem to become aware of all they have to be thankful for. Even amid the "hustle and bustle" of shopping, people

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pation increases until there seem no longer taken for granted of the room. His pad was quite have, and for the true meaning of to be no strangers, just unknown build eight, but I ran out of glue. caught in the gravitational pull of friends.

> The only drawback of the to only exist for a scant month. newed spirit of Christmas worldwide is a joyful feeling that creates a unifying bond. If the the time is 10:20 a.m. I have and Ritz crackers and watched dure for eleven more months, just think what the world would landing on Earth in one hour and on Mars in time to deliver be like!

The Christmas spirit-an intangible feeling that definately exists and pulls us all into its spell. The feeling creates so much goodness, unselfishness, and caring love that one wonders why it cannot exist all year long.

By: Anne McIlhany

DEAR SANTA Dear Santa.

The thing I would like most of all is for the needy children

CHRISTMAS ON SOUTHERN MARS

The year is Stardate, Decem- is not every day you see a ber 22, 2025. The great Gillgobis Martian's sleigh being pulled cancelled Christmas this year around by three unidentified witnessed everywhere during the because Santa Claus was not able flying space-deer.

to get godaille of outer space to Stardate, December 24, 2025: bring him to Mars, because his Mr. Claus and I were twenty space ferry broke down. That miles out of the Earth's atmosputs me to thinking. Oh! I forgot phere when we were caught by a to introduce myself. I am An-tak, meteor shower. My leading never seem too tired to smile, leading scientist of Mars. We deer, Dison, had a hole put nod, or wish a "Merry Christ- had three days until Christmas so through him. I crawled on top of I went to my lab. There in my the other two deer and loosened As Christmas nears, the antici- lab I built three tiny atomic Dison's reins. During that time, powered space-deer. I wanted to the power shut off. We were For my journey to Earth I the Moon. We were now free,

needed supplies. My supplies falling and not having enough Christmas spirit is that it seems consisted of ten full corses of power to lift us. We landed with freeze dried dinner pills, two a thud on the soft blue cheese of The love, celebration, and re- blankets, and twenty series of the Moon. When we recovered "Charlie's Angels". Stardate, December 23, 2025: had a little snack of blue cheese

Christmas spirit could only en- been in space between Mars and television. Earth for a day now. I should be We left the Moon and arrived

> forty minutes. The people on Earth were and girls.

By: Lee Willingham

WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS TO

ent things to me. It is a time of hardly wait for Christmas Eve holiness, thoughtfulness, and and Christmas Day. We would gladness.

holiness. Sometimes I forget always write to Santa Claus to tell why we celebrate Christmas. him what I wanted for Christmas. When I celebrate, I celebrate On Christmas Eve, before I went Jesus's birth.

open gifts and have a good time. to bed. I would fix Santa a Ham

Also, Christmas means thou- sandwhich, potato chips, pecan

surprised to see me. After all, it

presents to all the good little boys

from the shock of the crash, we

Christmas means many differ- When I was a little girl I could To me, Christmas is a time of Before a grew older I would

spirit in Wheeler.

beautifully decorated were The ation Banquet February 5.

Rites Read For Albert Cooper

One of the co-owners of the Shamrock Texan, Albert Cooper, 72. of Abilene died Friday in Abilene hospital.

Services were at 10:30 a.m. December 20, 1976 at Elliott Hamill Funeral Chapel in Abilene. Burial was in Killeen Memorial Park Cemetery at Killeen.

Mr. Cooper, born in Paris, Texas, was a 1919 graduate of Hugo (Okla.) High School and attended the University of Oklahoma, where he was managing editor of the Oklahoma Daily student newspaper and a member of the staff of Whirlwind, a student humor magazine.

An article, written in his senior year at high school about a fellow student in the Marine Corps in World War I, brought Mr. Cooper his first newspaper job when the Leatherneck, returning from war, heard of the tribute Mr. Cooper had written of him and hired him as reporter after taking over as editor of the Hugo Daily will be the final triumpth of this News.

Mr. Cooper later established a and advertised for a job. Out of three offers, he elected to come to Shamrock to work for Ted and Percy Bones, publishers of "The Texan." In the summer of 1929. the late Wilbur C. Hawk and several months at the coast, that the crowds. Gene Howe were founding a company to purchase newstegether and took over The Texan health is holding fine. Coy and Darkness chases the moon away in September 1929.

until about 1959, when he retired as editor and publisher of The Shamrock paper, he at one time was owner and publisher of The McLean News and The Wheeler Times and founder of radio sore arm.

station KBYP in Shamrock.

before Christmas. A number of Stockings full. people put a lot of work into their How fat they look,

Hanging at the fireplace, Once again we have to cook Inere Eager faces. nere ana

Breathless pause. By Laura Guthrie Speechless wonder, "Twas the night before Of Sata Claus.

Christmas. Not a creature was Children's laughter, stirring, not even a mouse." Oh! What joy. Yes, that's the time of year- For each small girl, again. We are all looking And each small boy. forward to a Happy Day. May Surprise and joy, the Evil One and his angels not In each eye,

spoil it. Be happy that the Son of Have you guessed the reason God was born a couple of why?

thousand years ago and that he It is Christmas time. world.

decorations.

People usually go places or God is speaking in silence Hugo weekly, then sold his paper have company in their homes at Unheard to any human ear. Christmas. I know a lot of people Immortal factions seem to realize going about. Will try to catch up The mystery of what appears. on them next week or the next. A though arises in everyone's Word comes from Ruth and head, Bill Taylor, who are spending And a murmur is passed among

they are having a good time. Lingering through the busy Though Ruth has suffered some streets. papers of the territory. They got with an asmatic condition, Bill's But is not yet heard aloud.

I'm still handicapped with a

Betty Bradstreet (Ruth's brother) All becomes silent with the Mr. Cooper lived in Shamrock spent several weeks with the exception of snow

Taylors. They are at home now Blanketing the cities but plan to spend some more And the hills high and low. Shamrock Texan. In addition to time there later in the winter. At A wish is being heard serving as publisher of the present, Ruth's mother, Mrs. For each snowflake that falls, Eula Bradstreet is enjoying a Echoing in the air, visit on the coast.

Merry Christmas to all! By: Lisa Weatherly

By: Jon Douglas

A VOICE

ONE GLORIOUS NIGHT May the Joys of Christmas all The most beautiful sight I will

until next year. By: Kirk Weatherly

Over the oceans and through the seas. There is a creature that lives and breathes.

He is large and tall and has no flaws, Who could it be but Santa Jaws.

He lives on the meat of many fishes, But his favorite out of all his dishes.

Is not Salmon or Trout or even a steer. It is one of Santa's own mighty reindeer.

He feasts on this beast buy one A-is the angel hair decorations. time a year. You guessed it, your right when Christmas is near.

He dreams of one day being the head. Of Santa's newly fashioned water sled.

He figures one day when all reindeer are gone, That Santa Claus and children still will live on.

He knows that after the deer are all dead

Janice Albright

ANTA

How are you? I am doing very fine, thank you. I hope Mrs. So Lord, if I become too Claus is feeling alright. You involved with the holiday season better polish Rudolph's nose that I begin to forget the real because it is supposed to be

> I do not want very many items this Christmas. All I am asking for is a pair of snow skies and matching boots, and a goose paid summer vacation to hawaii. Day I would like to find one angel under my Christmas tree. One of Charlie's Angels, that is: Jill,

Kelly, or Sabrina. When you come, you will find

some cookies and milk by the tree and a McDonald's gift certificate.

Yours truly, **Kyle Lasley** P.S. We do not have a chimney so the door will be unlocked.

they had at this time. It would "Rudolph the Red Nose Reinreally surprise some people at deer" how far others will go to do On Christmas day I would jump

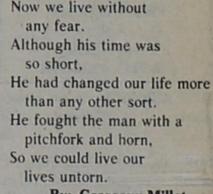
self pity at this time. To me, this Grandparents. Now that I am

done something for a friend. I also like to see how a friend's eves light up after they have opened their gift. Just seeing how a friend likes the gift makes

me feel fantastic. Christmas can mean many different things to many people. when I think of Christmas, I think down ski jacket. An all expense of the spirit that everyone seems to be in. I also think of the, thoughtfulness, gladness, and the holiness. What I have mentioned are a few feelings that I have at Christmas time:

By: Lynette Gaines







ghtfulness to me. It does not pie, tea, and a cigar. During the matter how much the gift cost, it Christmas season we would also is the thought that counts. Some watch Christmas Specials like: people would give everything "Frosty the Snowman" and

something special for a friend. out of bed and run into the living When Christmas time comes, room to see if Santa had brought it is a season of gladness. One my gifts. Then my family would can feel the gladness in the air. gather and we would all open our Sometimes a person does not feel gifts, around the tree. the gladness because of self pity. After we had our Christmas at I hate to see someone sulking in home, we then went to my

should be a time for everyone to older, we still visit, open our rejoice, not a time for sympathy. gifts, and eat Christmas dinner Just thinking of Christmas together. Being with my family makes me excited. I remember at Christmas time means very how good it feels after I have much to me. Christmas is my favorite time

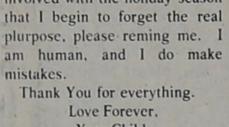
of the year. It fills lonely hearts with love and cheer.

> The house is full of twinkling. colored lights.

By: Marla Lax

Makes me think of that long and distant night, When God gave us that precious gift of life. What he gave to us was so dear.

By: Georgann Millet



would like a manger for a bed, I

know I would not. Yet, He did

Your Child, **Rose Marie Jones**

guy with the neat car.

CHRISTMAS C-stands for Christ's birth, which is celebrated by one and all. H-represents Santa's Ho Ho Ho. R-is for red, the traditional Christmas color. I-the image imprinted on a small child's mind of Santa. S-stands for the glittering snow.

T-is for the togetherness of families. M-the merry moods of all people. S-as everyone knows is for Santa!

By: Darla Moore

SANTA'S NIGHT

Santa and his reigndeer Fly through the night. He dashes down the chimney As fast as light. He will run to the tree Delivering presents To people like you and me. Then back up the chimney And off he goes Saying a many Ho-Ho's.

By: Cindy Coates

this so that we many have a better life. How could anyone keep from being eternally grate- Dear Santa: ful to Him, much less overlook Him at Christmas time?

plurpose, please reming me. I foggy on Christmas Eve.

P.S. By the way, all I want for When I wake up on Christmas Christmas is that tall, handsome

He was a former president of be yours. the Panhandle Press Association and a founder of the Shamrock Boosters Club. Mr. Cooper was a member of St. Paul United Methodist Church in Abilene, Sigma Delta Chi professional by well wishers on her 91st

journalism fraternity and Sigma birthday in her home in Mo-Alpha Epsilon social fraternity beetie, Sunday. Among those and a charter member of the wishing her the best were Mrs. Shamrock Rotary Club. Pauline Hooker and Hrs. Sue

Edna Irene Batt, a former Ama- a strawberry cake. rillo resident. They adopted a Among other well wishers who The birds fluttering and singing seven-month-old daughter. Mary visited during the day were her Elizabeth, in July 1946. Mrs. son and daughter-in-law, Mr.

Cooper died in 1975. Survivors, in addition to his Shamrock, her nephew and wife Angel looked down from above daughter. Mrs. Mary Walker of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Neece of

Abilene, include a grand- Clarendon, Mr. and Mrs. Secrest daughter, Miss Patricia Eliza- of Wheeler and Mrs. Kay Hamil-

beth Walker of West Fort Hood. ton of Mobeetie.

ever see Was the scene of a newly born MRS. SALLIE NEECE

Christmas tree. The reindeer put on the lights 91YEARS OLD Making the tree look very bright.

The squirrels running around Mrs. Sallie Neece was honored very busy you see Trying to find acorns enough to fill the Christmas tree. The chipmunks come away from their cozy nest. On April 7, 1931, he married Harrison who presented her with To help put the tensile on at their

very best. With flair took the golden rope And flew high in the air. and Mrs. John A. Neece of And on this glorious night an And saw this beautiful sight. She came down from heaven to Place the star on just right. **By: Myranda Pierce**

Santa will be looking for some thing to lead his sled.

And what would be better than a trustworthy shark To guide Santa's sleigh in light and in dark. He waits for the day when people

> will say. Look! It's Santa Claus, Santa

Jaws at the head of the sled. By: Vic Bradford

Senior Drawing

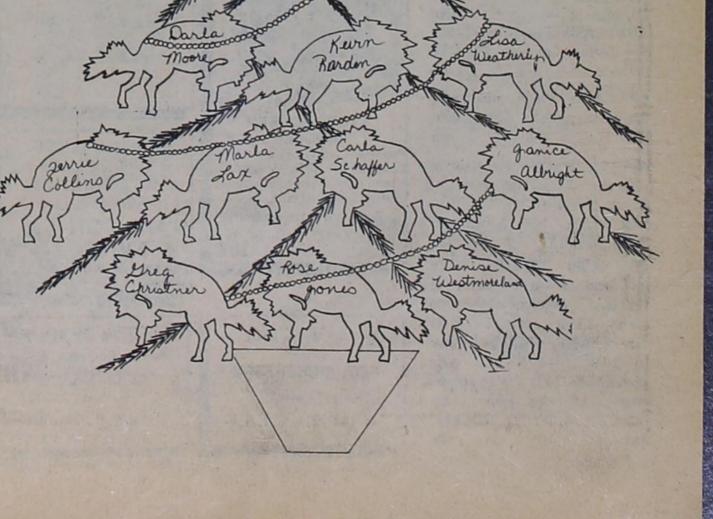
The Senior class had their drawing for the Elgin watch Monday, December 20, 1976. The winner of the watch was Patsy Rarden. The winning number was 357. By: Marla Lax

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Ms people everywhere reverently celebrate the Birth of Christ, we pause and give thanks for His wondrous teachings.

Lhristmas Blessings

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Dear Santa

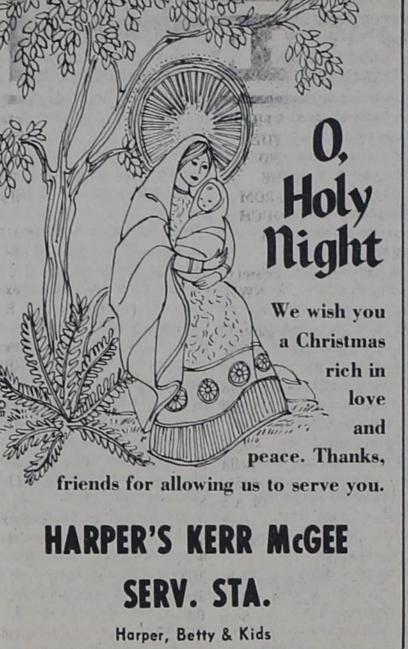
Dear Santa.

I would like a radio and a record player when you visit my house. Your friend, **Brend Roundtree**

Dear Santa, I want a big Tonka mighty bulldozer and my sister and want a set of walkie-talkies. Merry Christmas, Love, Scott Howard

Dear Santa,





paints, a coat and some roller-I would like a thundershift 500 skates. Love, Terri Seitz Allen Leatherman Dear Santa, I would like a money magic game and one ball of red, white, and blue yarn and three hooks. I want a new pair of shoes, new

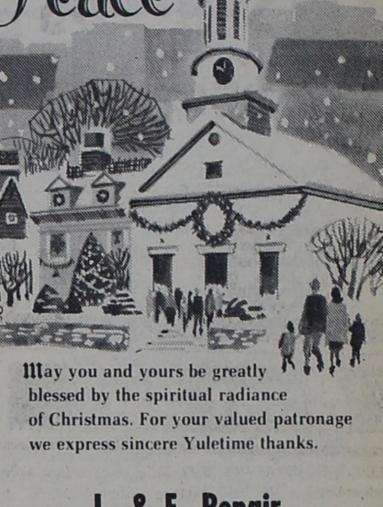
Love. Christina Moellenkamp

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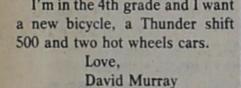
Dear Santa Claus, I want a motorcycle for Christ-I would like a dresser for mas and I want an Evil Knievil. Christmas please bring it. And a My name is Donald. I live in train please, too. Mobeetie. Love, Love, Steve Bunn **Donald Stevenson**

Dear Santa Claus, I want a Baby Brother doll, a Dear Santa, sit and spin, and a doll that walks My name is Kichi. I have been and crawls. I hope you have a good. I want a skate board and a very happy Christmas. hush little baby. Also a dog! I Love, have cookies and milk on the Teri stereo for you.

> Love. **Kichi Hamilton**



M&M Gin



Dear Santa. When you visit my house bring peace on earth and good will, a model and a tape recorder. Love, **Russell Lee Laverty**

Dear Santa, I would like what is on this list: crochet yarn bag and 4 hooks, record player, and loony tunes. Love, Betsie Mae Stepps

it to First St

Dear Santa. I would like what is on this list: Crochett yarn bag and 5 hooks, record player, and loony tunes. Love, Crystal Sue Hopsom

Dear Santa. I want a Baby-Alive and two walkie-talkies. I have been good at school. Love, **Diane Moffett**

Dear Santa. I want a pocket knife, walkietalkies and a football. I would like an airplane. I will have coffee and cookies for you. Love, **Eddie Anderson**

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Love,

Dear Santa. I want a soldier suit, a set of walkie-talkies, a Santa suit, and I have been good at school. And I have been good at home. Love,

Jimmy Roundtree

Dear Santa.

boots.

I would like a game called Pay Day and an easytracer and an Etch-A-Sketch and some clothes too. That's all I want for Christmas. Love,

Pam Dyson

Dear Santa. I would like a record of the Captain and Tennille. And a nice present for my mom and dad and a not so nice present for my big brother.

> Yours truly, **Dennis Stuart**

Dear Santa.

I wish I had a ten-speed bike and a book of Santa Comes to Town.

Yours Truly, **Billy Roundtree**

Dear Santa.

I want a tape recorder, a sleeping bag, and a new pair of shoes. Love,

Lisa Dockins

Dear Santa, I want the game called money magic and some pierced earrings. The record loony tunes. That is all I want. Love.

Debra Darnell

Dear Santa. I would like a money magic game, pierced earrings and peace on earth good will to men. I will leave you a glass of milk and maybe some cookies.

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I love you, **Dixie Harris**

Dear Santa,

am 7 years old.

Dear Santa,

I want a real bird that flies and a whole bunch of drums. I'll share the toys with my brother, Will.

Mique Snelgrooes

Dear Santa,

I have tried very hard to be a good girl. I would like a record player, Thumbilena doll, and pom-poms. I will be at my Grandma and Grandpa Abernethy.

Love, Karla

Dear Santa. I want Tuesday Taylor doll, an etch-a-sketch, a basketball set and a game of sorry, and some clothes.

Love. **Tonya Gilmer**

Dear Santa. I want a scope for my BB gun, a marching Mickey Mouse, and anything else you think I'd like. Love,

Davy Gilmer

Dear Santa. I want a hush-a-baby, an etch-a-sketch, a real organ, a table and chairs, and a bionic woman game. Love. Julie Gilmer

Dear Santa. I want a drum, race track, and skate board for Christmas. Stephen Batton

Dear Santa. I'd like to have a drum, shirt, gun, and a record and also a toy T.V., Walkie Talkie, and a camera.

Scott Castillo

Love, Shelia K. Moffett

Dear Santa, I would like the game money magic and I want a wake up Thumbellina doll and peace on earth good will to man. Love, Jennifer Estes

Dear Santa. All I want for Christmas is five balls of varn and five hooks. A varnbag and peace on earth good will to men. Your friend, Linda Moellenkamp

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Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

I'd like a gun, choo-choo track, and a cowboy hat and some film. Also a duck set, a pair of cowboy boots, and a jacket. Joe Stevenson

I want a racing track and a

Brandon Hamilton

racing car, and I want a Tonto set

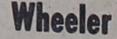
with the Lone Ranger. . From

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Love... Let us rejoice as

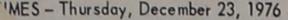
we celebrate and

remember the true meaning of this holy day. Thanks.



Dear Santa. I want a shirt and a Lone Ranger for Christmas. That's all. **Tommy Velasquez**





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DAY COOKING cooking. s for holiday meals are end- adding to the stuffing for best 4 quarts cubed bread (about 32

ess, and even though most flavor. variety might be enjoyable this A stuffed turkey is an ideal 1 tablespoon poultry seasoning vear.

bread or rice. Then add mush- cautions are followed, stuffed rooms, celery, parsley, chest- turkey can be safe to eat. stuffing is ready to cook.

TO MAKE STUFFING Bread, the main ingredient of stuffed turkey.

many stuffings, should be twothree days old. Cut off the crust, maining stuffing from the cavity then break or cut bread into small before storing the refrigerator or pieces. A one-pound loaf of freezer. white bread will make about Remember, you can still bake a 5 quarts cubed day-old bread eight cups of crumbs. It takes dish of stuffing alongside the one cup of stuffing for each roasting unstuffed turkey.

pound of dressed bird. For light, dry stuffing, no rinse the bird well and pay dry. liquid need be added. If the It is easier to stuff the neck cavity family prefers a moist stuffing, first. You might consider using add about two tablespoons liquid two different stuffings-one for or broth per cup of stuffing.

Bread, herbs and salt may be Always pack stuffing loosely. mixed together ahead of time. Stuffing swells with turkey juices However, mix the other ingredi- during roasting. Always skewer ents into the stuffing just before or sew the cavity closed.

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Onion and celery 2 cups finely chopped onion dients for turkey stuff- should be cooked just before 11/2 cups chopped celery

slices) toasted if desired families have preferences; a little TO STUFF OR NOT TO STUFF 1 to 11/2 teaspoons salt

place for harmful bacteria to 2 tablespoons chopped parsley Begin with cornbread, white grow. However, if special pre- 1/2 cup turkey broth

nuts, cranberries, oysters, sau- Stuffing should be placed in- and celery until soft, but not sage, onions or nuts. Top with side the turkey cavity just prior to brown: add and melt one cup seasonings of thyme, sage, rose- roasting. Never hold a stuffed butter or margarine. Combine mary, celery seed or poultry- turkey at room temperature or in onion, celery and butter or seasoned herbs. Then a delicious the refrigerator. The roasting margarine, bread cubes, salt, time will be longer to reach the desired 180 degrees F. in a broth in large bowl; mix well.

> After serving, remove the re- enough for neck and body cavities of 16-18 pound turkey.

> > 2 pounds sausage meat

(about 40 slices)

2 cup chopped onion

1 cup chestnuts, sliced 1 cup chopped celery

1 teaspoon thyme

1 teaspoon marjoram

Cook sausage meat in large youngster to talk with Santa. skillet over medium heat, break-

ing meat up with fork as it cooks; interested in Christmas, especdrain.

Combine all remaining ingred- get. However, the two-year-old ients, except broth or water, with is not interested in knowing sausage meat in large bowl; toss whether Santa is real or imaginlightly to mix. Add only enough ary. broth or water to moisten stuffing

1 cup minced onion 1 cup chopped celery 1/2 cup butter or margarine 4 cups soft white bread crumbs (8 ing at Christmas time.

Allow about one hour at 350 SANTA CLAUSE, Myth or Reality? FLB Interest Billing Rate Lowered degrees F. to bake a side dish of stuffing.

OLD-FASHIONED BREAD STUFFING 11/2 cup butter or margarine

Melt one-half cup butter or margarine in skillet. Cook onion poultry seasoning, parsley and

Stuff lightly into turkey. Yield:

SAUSAGE STUFFING

turkey broth or water 1 cup chopped green olives

¹/₂ cup chopped parsley

1 teaspoon pepper

turkey.

CORN BREAD STUFFING

ents.

Local stores are decorated and receiving. stocked with a variety of gifts asking themselves, "What parents can help children undershould I tell my children about stand that Santa is a spirit, or

Santa Clause this year?" Many parents are concerned want ing to do things for those that if they tell their children you love rather than a fat man Satna is real, the youngsters will with a wooly beard in a red suit. be disappointed and distrustfull when they discover Santa is not that Santa is a real person, the real after all. Other parents spirit of Santa lives on as family worry about spoiling Christmas members feel and express their for the children by telling them love and concern for one another. that the story of Santa Claus is

just a beautiful myth. The truth about the myths and

reality of Santa comes gradually to a youngster. Understanding more about the stages of development of your children will help you decide what to tell him and when.

Christmas festivities mean very little to young children. Going to visit Santa can be a frightening experience for toddlers and it is wise not to force a By two, a child will be more

ially the presents he is going to

A three-year-old will probably lightly. Sufficient to stuff neck show a mild interest in Santa, but and body cavities of a 20-pound he is still too young to fully comprehend the traditions of the holiday season. By four, children are interested in all the details of Santa, even though they still ge confused about what is happen-

The real Santa Claus ages are

How to preserve the magic and five-to-six year old may be inter- Bill H. Bratton, Manager of This billing rate change will be ranchers credit at the lowest excitement of Santa Clause when ested in writing to Santa or may the Federal Land Bank Associ- effective on both farm loan and children see so many different want to visit Santa. Also, at this ation of Shamrock, announced rural residence loans. Sant Clauses may concern par- age, the child starts to be today that The Federal Lank interested in giving as well as Bank of Houston will reduce the

Once in elementary shcool, rate loans to 8%. This reduction in July, 1969 and allows the rate ideas and assorted Santa Clauses youngsters will hear different will be effective on January 1, to fluctuate with variations in the -short, tall, skinny, fat, old and versions of the Santa story and 1977, and will affect \$980 million young appear on the streets and may come to parents with their in variable rate loans to 17,100 the money market have made in stores. By now parents may be doubts. This is the time when Texas farmers and ranchers.

> feeling, of love and giving, of Even past the age of believing

Thurs. Review **Xmas Program**

The annual celebration Christmas by the Thursday Review Club was held in the home of Mrs. Bob Roark on December 9, were Mrs. Bynum Smith and Mrs. Rick DeArment.

"The Best Christmas Pageant Ever", presented by Mrs. Ernie McGaughey, has the 22 members and 3 other guests present rolling with laughter.

In a more subdued tone later, abirthday cake for the Christ Child was brought forth. Upon it were placed 12 lighted candles representing each month of the year by a member whose birthday coresponded with that month. An original prayer was spoken by all the candle lighters. Traditional Christmas carols were sung by those present

Mrs. Harold Loyd Lee. Gifts were exchanged and one

interest billing rate on variable introduced by the Houston Bank

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that we have recently purchased installation charge if you call us the Wheeler TV System. We will or come in before January 10th. not begin operation until the 27th of December, but when we do in the Ware Chevrolet building. assume our new duties, we hope Our phone number will be the to be able to give you the best same as it currently is-826possible service. We hope that 3026. you will feel free to call us if you

have a problem with your cable you. and we will try to see to it that it is corected as quickly as possible. the TV System.

As an introductory offer to our future customers, we are offering free hookups to anyone wishing to get on the cable if they sign up before January 10th. In order to 1976. Assisting her as hostesses do this, you would be required to pay your first months rent in

MEETING

A townhall meeting will be held Thursday, December 23, at 4 p.m. in the City Office to discuss grant application for futherance of water system up

dating and housing.

accompanied on the organ by

The variable rate loan was

money market. Improvements in this billing reduction possible.

We are pleased to announce advance but there will be no

We'll be hoping to hear from

We will do our best to improve Sincerely,

> N. D. & Roberta Ware Gary, Bob & Denise

Dear Santa Claus. I want something please. want a army suit and a rescue team and there's a big thing I really want, a minibike.

Love, Stephen Meadows

Dear Mr. Claus, May I have a trampoline. B. B gun. and T. V. Money Magic. May I have 3 things please. Your Dearist friend, Drew Thomas



Bratton stated, "This action is in keeping with the Land Bank's N policy to provide farmers and possible cost consistent with

sound business practices."

The Federal Lank Bank of Houston makes long-term real estate loans on farm and ranch land and rural residences throughout Texas and now has \$1.2 billion in loans outstanding. The local Association makes and services loans in Wheeler and Collingsworth counties. Officers and directors of the Association are Paul Hathaway, President; Tom R. Cunningham, Vice-

President; Woodrow Wood, G. B. Sloss, Jr., John R. Henard, Our new office will be located Jr., and Billy W. Buckingham, Directors.

Rites in Calif. For **Myrtle Anderson**

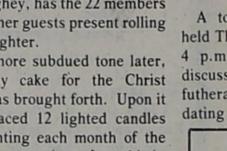
Myrtle Caddie Anderson was born March 9th, 1884 in Montague, Texas. Departed this life December 7th, 1976, making her stay on earth 92 years 8 months and 28 days. She was united in marriage to William Nathaniel

Pace July 25th 1901. To this union were born 7

children, 2 dying in infancy. Surviving children: 1 daughter Audry Erwin; 4 sons, Marvin, Lawlis, of Hilmar, California, Howard, of Pico Riveria, California, and Ocie of Patterson, California. 17 Grandchildren, 40 great grandchildren, and 5 great-great-grandchildren. One brother, two sisters. Other relative and a host of friends.

She joined the Primitive Baptist Church at Briscoe, Texas August 1932. Baptized by Elder J. R. Sims. A faithful member ever present at her meetings.

Moved to California 1938 from Texas. 1948 moved to Turlock where they made their home. Unable to keep house any longer they went a guest home. He pased away September 22, 1971. She stayed on in the home until she no longer could take care of herself. She then went to a Nursing Home. She was in the nursing home when she passed away. She was a Charter member of Harmony Primitive Church and the oldest member. Her membership was in this Church at Hughson, California. Funeral services were held at California, December 10th, 1976. And join our hands around the Conducted by her pastor, Elder D. A. Layne. Also taking part Elder Elvin Layne and Elder We'll lift our songs in praise to Marvin Sims. Pallbearers were the grandsons. Honorary Pallbearers were 6 of her church By Edith Donaldson Members.



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BEN

slices) 6 cups crumbled corn bread 2 eggs beaten S3-K726-01

> 1 teaspoon salt 1 teaspoon thyme 1/2 teaspoon sage 1/4 teaspoon pepper 1/4 cup chopped parsley Saute onion and celery in butter or margarine until soft. Combine white and corn bread crumbs, seasonings, and parsley. Stir in sauteed vegetables. Add eggs; mix well. Makes enough for neck and body cavities of a 10 to 12-pound turkey.

OYSTER STUFFING Reg. \$11.87 4 quarts toasted bread cubes (about 32 slices) 1/2 cup butter or margarine 1 cup chopped celery 11/2 cups chopped onion 1/2 cup cutter or margarine 2 teaspoons salt Reg. \$20.97 1 quart oysters with liquid or 4 cans (7 oz. each) frozen oysters with liquid, thawed 1/2 cup milk 1 teaspoon sage 1/8 teaspoon pepper Reg. \$17.97 Measure bread cubes into

large bowl. Melt one-half cup butter or margarine in skillet; cook celery and onion until soft. Pour over bread cubes. Heat one-half cup butter or margarine in skillet; add oysters and liquid; heat a few minutes until edges curl; remove oysters. Pour liquid from skillet over bread cubes. Chop oysters coarsely; add to bread mixture. Add milk, sage, salt and pepper; mix well. Stuff lightly into turkey. Makes enough for neck and body cavities of 16 to 18-pound turkey. WILD RICE-MUSHROOM STUFFING

1 package wild and white rice mix Robert L. Fincher 2 tablespoons butter or margar-'

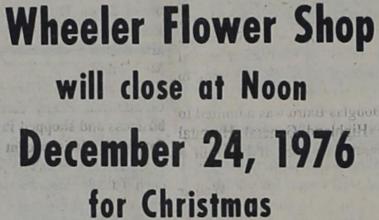
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Sayre, Okla. 73662 2 tablespoons chopped onion 1 can (3-4 ox.) mushrooms, stems and pieces 1 tablespoon chopped parsley

Cook rice mix according to package directions. Melt butter or margarine in small skillet; cook onion until soft. Drain and chop mushrooms. Combine cooked wild rice mixture, onion, mushrooms and parsley; mix well. Stuff lightly into neck

five and six. The wonder and excitement children experience during this period is surely worth any temporary disappointment that may come later. The

member remarked it was the Best Christmas Party ever. Guests present were Mrs. Ernie McGaughey, Mrs. Fredricka Adams, Mrs. Jim Hester, and Mrs. Gary Hardcastle.



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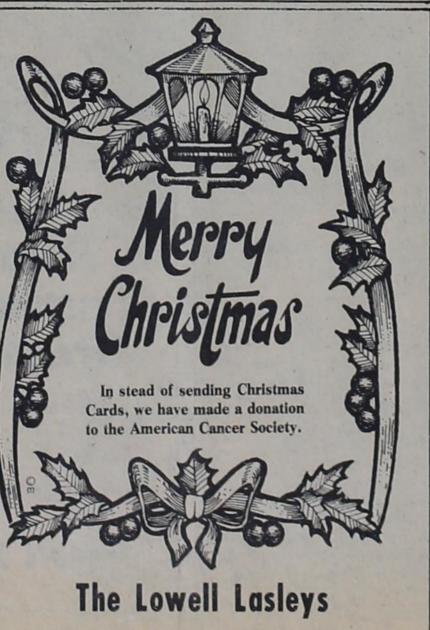
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when quiet Bethlehem lay; CHRISTMAS TIME IN ALLISON As Mary placed her first born Oh! little town of Allison, so still I see thee lie. son; upon the manger hay. The shadows deep along the Oh! little town of Allison, lets all Norton Funeral Home, Turlock, our hearts rejoice. street; bright stars gleam in the sky. town, for God made us His

Dear Santa Claus,

No sound comes from the darkened Homes, as dear friend choice. calmly slep. thee, thy gift-your son-who And God above, forever near, his came for you and me. silent vigil keeps. Tis Christmas time in Allison,

bright stars upon the blue, A pale moon shines; and God above sends love-as always

new Oh! little town of Allison, how still you are this morn. There is no sound of rushing trucks, nor blare of noisy horn. I makes me think of lang ago,

game.

Laid to Rest in North Hilmar Cemetery of Hilmar, California beside her husband amid many lovely flowers. She will be greatly missed by family and a Guiness book of World Records friends. Rest in Peace until the Ressurection Morn.

In Sorrow Audry Erwin

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May I have a football suit. a

football and a new football hel-

met. An Evil Keneivel jump set,

Augie Hennard

Love.

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Amount THE OCH, I, A. H. S. S. C

Reg. \$89.99 cavity of 16 to 18-pound turkey. 13.90 Dear Santa. I will want you to bring me a bike and also I want you to bring me a record player and all so I Reg. \$54.99 will want you to bring me three Barbie's. I Love you. Dana Baird

Dear Santa Claus. May I have a football suit. Dear Santa Clause, may I have a Gi Joe. Love, Cody Wiggins

Dear Santa, I want an army tank, some army men, a walkie talkie, and I want a TV Magic. I Love Santa, Stuart Cross

Lowell, Loretty, Kevin and Kyle



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Mrs. Virgie Aderholt came boys. Christine Atherton and home from hospital last Sunday, boys and Juanell Maning and We were glad to hear this.

Mattie Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Montgom- parents the J. O. Heltons.

ery visited them Saturday.

also.

her a speedy recovery.

Visitors at the J. O. Heltons Ty Swift was spending Sunday Sunday were Martha Sweny and afternoon with his grandmother,



To faithful old friends, To cherished new friends

children were also there.

La Rowe Young visited Bill and Jessie and Darren stayed for the Holidays with their grand-Mrs. Vernon Swager fell and

Elizabeth and Ginger Mears hurt her shoulder. She was in visited Bill and Mattie Thursday Wheeler hospital. We wish for

Eddie Swift.

M. Swift.

Tressa.

don Parker.

erty.

with her sister Mr. and Mrs. E. Visitors Sunday at Dan and There was a celebration for Brenda Hefley and Karon Hefley

Trees Perry's 3rd birthday Sun- and Karon Hefley, Mr. and Mrs. day. Those there were Kenneth Lee Lackey and Joe.

and Lou Dean Douthit of Quan-Mrs. McElroy mother, Carolyn, nah, Mr. and Mrs. Odell Perry of Balensecfen came to spend a few Wheeler, Billie Sue and LaAndra days with them.

The McElroy children spent Stuckey, Roy and Willene Waters, Patsy, Katholine and Karry Friday and Saturday night with McArthur. Happy Birthday the Leon Fillingim while Mayme and mother shopped in Amarillo.

Debbie and Treesa Perry, Bil-E. G. and Willa Fillingim lie Sue and LeAndra Stuckey visited Mr. and Mrs. F. A. shopped in Elk City Saturday. Grensin and Elizabeth Sunday Sunday, 19 of December was afternoon.

real windy, but not so cold. Visiting the Wayne Meeks Visiting Colie Parkers Satur- Friday night were her uncle and day night and Sunday was Wel- aunt Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Carroll from Oklahoma.

Gene Dougherty, DeWayne While Dallas Fillingim's Mathis, Terry, Rickey Dough- mother was in the hospital with new baby, Dallas visited his

Elbert and Ruby Zybach shop- grandparents Willis and Verna ped in Pampa one day last week Fillingim, David and Phillis Hefand visited with her brother, ley, and Bill and Karon Hefley. Evart and Iris Goad. Sunday at Willis and vernas

Sunday Elbert and Ruby at- were Roberta Maddox, Carolyn tended Farmer and Opal Hefleys Gilmer, the Don McElroy family, Golden Anniversary. Donna Summers, Tommy and Helen Helton attended Loyd Tina Densberger Wilma Bible

and Myrlle Jones Golden Anni- and Tom.

versary Sunday afternoon. Clarence and Irene Zybach Mark and Annette Meek, Cloid attended the Golden Anniversary and Teresa Evans visited Helen of Loyd and Myrtle Jones Sunday Sunday. afternoon then went to Wheeler

Jack and Sharron Helton and and attended Farmer and Opal boys from Seattle, Washington Hefleys Golden Anniversary. are down visiting relatives. Clarence and Irene visited Mac

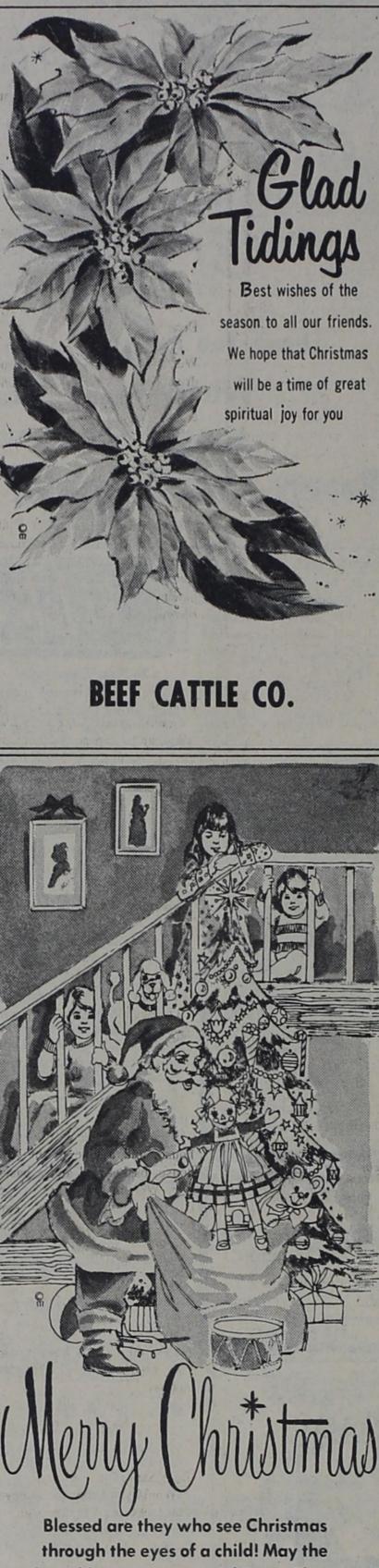
At Tom and Alice Bell Heltons and Gay Purcell and children Sunday for dinner were the Jack Saturday night and the R. L. Helton family, Ronald, Debbie Zybachs on the way home. Gay Croslin, Joe Paul and Joyce and new baby was doing just Smith of Savre. fine.

Perry and Odallie Helton of Lois Meadows and Evelyn Security, Colorado visited the Meek visited Sophia Helton Tom Heltons last Tuesday. They Wednesday.

went home Wednesday. The Don McElroy family and Thomas Ray and Dale Helton her mother, the Charles Crownate dinner Saturday with Tom over family visited the Jack and Alice Bell. Meeks Friday night.

Tom and Allice Bell ate dinner Mr. and Mrs. Howard Loh-Friday in Sayre with Joe Paul and burger and children went to Joyce Smith. Sweetwater for weekend to visit Mike and Stacy Phillis spent her parents, the Truman Alex-

Beckie Irvine visited Rita and Eddie spent las week in Kelton with her sister Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Swift. Eddie spent las week in Kelton Visitors Sunday at Dan and Rita were Jack and Evelyn Meek,



Dear Santa,

I am a boy 6 years old, and I am in kindergartern. For Christmas I want a cowboy hat, a knife. chaps, and a hatchet. Thanks,

David Jones

Dear Santa.

Dear Santa, Please bring me a Lone Ranger I would like to have some B. outfit, a Weeble Ghost-town, a B's, 70 pellets and a B. B. Pistol. big bulldozer, a race-car, a I have been good to all my friends boxing kangaroo, a S.W.A.T. and parents. I also want for outfit with a S.W.A.T. gun and Chrsitmas a big dump truck and binoculars, a rabbit with a gun, a watch. spring-horse, and a watch. I've Larry Erwin been a good boy this year.

Dear Santa.

adventure doll set.

I would like a doll, talking y

machine with numbers and the

alphabet and I would like a

Barbie Doll. I also would like an

animal radio. I would like the

"They just love Christmas!"

Shannon Beard

Love, Shawn Zybach **Briscoe Kindergarten**

Dear Santa.

For Christmas please bring me a Big Wheel, chaps, a Weeble Ghost-town, a bow and arrow, a punch-me boxing man, and a computer. My brother, Jason, needs some little cars. I've been a good boy this year! Love,

Shawn Miller

Dear Santa, For Christmas please bring me a gun, a cowboy hat, chaps, a fire hat and fire engine, a cowboy suit, and some plastic cowboys and Indians. I've been a good boy most of the time. Love, David Jones

Briscoe Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa.

a pretty good boy.

Love.

Please bring me a Barbie Townhouse, a Barbie Quick Curl set and everything that comes with it. I also want a regular dollhouse. I've been a good girl this year.

Love, LeAndra Stucky

Please bring me a wonder

Tim Dickinson

I am 11/2 years old and I have

been a good little girl this year. I

would like a big baby doll for

Christmas. Please bring my little

brother a musical Teddy bear. He is 3 months old and is a good

little boy. We live in Balko, Okla.

horse and some toys. I have been

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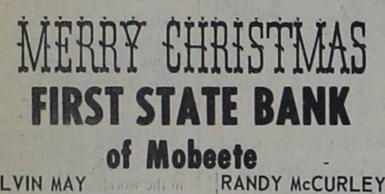
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STUART'S FABRIC



EDWARD'S '66 SERVICE STATION

Friday night with Willis and anders, her sister and family, Verna. Mr. and Mrs. Don Brookman At the Higgins tournament the from Parkers, Arizona was also

Briscoe girls won 3rd and the there visiting. Boys took Consolation. Visitors Sunday at Travis and

Roland Hill got a individual Rosalee Keelins were Risa Keeltrophy. in and children, Jimmy and

Rita and Lindsey Renee Fillin- Elane Keelin and children, Gene gim came home from hospital and Norma Keelin. Thursday. Mother and baby are

18 degrees cold at the J. Ol doing fairly well, Verna said. Heltons Monday 20 of December.



panied Mrs. Nettie Walsh home

the rest of the winter with

relatives there and other places.

Mr. Mrs. Milton George from

Melody Gilmer from Miami

Mr. and Mrs. Zeland Rainey

and children and Mr. & Mrs. Les

Seamster were dinner guests in

the home of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip

spent the weekend with her

grandparents the Leon Lanes.

Borger spent Sunday with Mr.

Mrs. Lester Levitt Mr. and Mrs. Clark Thompson with him where she will spend from Pampa were house guests in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Tom Etheredge and Jason Sunday.

A large crowd attended the and Mrs. Frank George. Christmas program and tree at the school auditorium Saturday night. Superintendent Jack Bailey expressed his deep appreciation of the hospitality shown to and Winston, Mrs. Mike Dyer his family since moving here and then turned the program to Mrs. Rogers. It was greatly enjoyed by all. Gifts were distributed Rainey in Erick, Oklahoma Sunafter the program.

day. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Harrison Mrs. Virgie George returned went to Raton, New Mexico home Wednesday of last week Friday where they will help move from Cheyenne hospital where J. D. Wallace and family from she received treatment for sev-

Raton to Dumas where they both eral days. will be employed. Mr. and Mrs. Leon Nachlinger Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dukes from Pampa and Martha Alvisited W. A. Dub Crenshaw at dridge from McLean visited in St. Anthony Hospital in Amarillo the Richard Kiker home Saturday Friday. Mr. Crenshaw is re- and attended the Christmas procovering nicely from surgery. gram at the school.

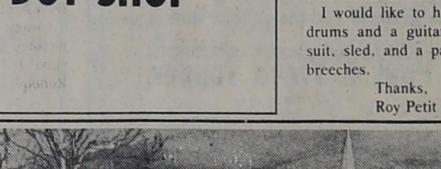
Mrs. L. W. Grayson spent a Mrs. Virgil Cornwell sponfew days last week with her sored a Christmas supper Thursmother Mrs. Virgie Aderholt at day night in the Fellowship hall Briscoe. Mrs. Aderholt is on the of the United Pentecostal Church which is also the Annual party of

A very larg crowd atteded the the Ladies auxialry of the church 50th Wedding Anniversary of of whom Mrs. Cornwell is pres-Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Jones at the ident. The husbands were also school Cafeteria Sunday after- invited. Those present were, noon from two to four. They Ona Black, Nettie Walsh, Juanita received many lovely gifts. Boydston, Maudie Harrison, W. Warren Brown came from H. Vance, Keith and Forrest, Amarillo Saturday and accom- Glen and C. W. Boysdtons,

Christine Gilmer, Pete Filmers, Bruce Harrisons, Eddy and Ed Walkers, Guy Browns, Lanora Morse and Rev. and Mrs. Cornwell. A delicious meal was enjoyed after which the prover polls of the year were revealed. Vickie Ralston from Odessa is spending the week here with friends.

breathless anticipation of Santa Claus renew our sense of wonder and joy, this happy season. Magical wishes and thanks for your patronage.





but, we will be at Memaw's in Wheeler. Please remember all the other boy and girls, too. Love, Misty & Shane Shugart Dear Santa, I want a dump truck and hot wheels and a football helmet, a bull dozer, a football and thats all. Santa I have been a good boy so I hope you bring all of this to

Rodney Baker

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Barbie doll and two dresses and bring me a nice trade doll that walks when vou squeeze her hand, and three books, and a Raggedy Ann doll. Merry Christmas Santa. Also bring a Pizza Hunt and baby life, and a sewing machine. Shannon McGraw

Dear Santa Clause, I would like to have a set of drums and a guitar, a football suit, sled, and a pair of Levi's

he sky's the limit for Santa and our glowing holiday wishes for you. Hope yours is the merriest Christmas ever

Ed, Patricia, Curtis and **Gary Don** Forrester



A magical season full of dreams come true . . . that's what Christmas is. We wish you much joy.

sick list.

Dear Santa.

I want a Baby-a-live and the baby that walks and crawls and some pom-poms and some clothes. I love you Santa.

Danita Tucker

Dear Santa,

I want an easy bake oven and a Happy Birthday Doll and especially a doll buggy and a little teddy bear and a pair of boots. I love you, Santa, Melodic Riggs

H3 SIVAS May the peace and serenity 9:300 of this holiday season fill you with hearthside warmth. For your kind patronage, our thanks. **Production Credit Assoc.** James, Chuck and Glenda

Page 9 - THE WHEELER TIMES - Thursday, December 23, 1976 Dear Santa. Dear Santa, Dear Santa Claus. **'Dear Santa** I want a hush little baby. I have I would like to have what is on Will you bring me a Tin Can this list: chalkboard. been good. Alley? This all I would like. Love, Love. Love,

Patty Murray

Dear Santa. Dear Santa. I love Santa Claus. I want a I want a Lone Ranger and doll and I want a little dog. I Silver, and also a Safari set, a Dear Santa, want a game to play. I miss you. Rookie police car and Ken. Love, April Gardner Love,

1.

Race track, a car and train, a Dear Santa, toy motorcycle, and nothing else I want some boots. I want for Christmas. some dolls. Greg Langley Johnnie Roundtree Love.

Brenda Life

Dear Santa. I want a Hush-a-baby, a bike, and a record. That's all. Robin Mickey

Julie Steeps

Dear Santa Claus.

I want a TV tennis, a Hot Weels 500 racing track, a you drive it car, a cattle truck, and some Hot Wheeles. I have been a good boy. Love,

Freddy Lee Hunt

Dear Santa Claus, I would like a Heather Doll, Tatami Slippers and Mickey Mouse print sleeping bag, ten speek bike (20 inch), autography patchwork turtle and dog, and a recordplayer patch work. Love.

Your friend,

Dear Santa, I am 5 years old and I have been a good boy. I would like to have a walkie-talkie for Christ- deer.

Shawn Davis

I want a yamaha and a kiss for

Your friend,

nen

ehristma

State in a second a later of the

Charlie

Dear Santa Claus,

Lori.

mas. I think my sister Jana would like to have some little dishes. Casey is only 4 months old so she would probably just like some kind of baby toy.

May happiness

always dwell with

you. From our

LANCASTER DEPT. STORE

house to your

house . . . thanks.

Love.

Dear Santa. I would like a bike and a doll. How is Rudolph and your rein- Melton and I'm five years old.

Your friend, Melinda Guthrie

Dear Santa. I am in kindergarten and trying Tommy, Jana & Casey to do good in my work. Would

you please bring me a safari set, and Rookie Police car with Mike Dear Santa Clause. and the Lone Ronger and Silver.

Dear Santa,

want to be.

My name is Brandon Cort

My mother says I'm good when I

Please bring me a truck and a

Tiny mightly Moe's train set.

Be careful in the snow.

Brandon

Love.

My name is Don. I am 3 year's Please remember my firends on old. I've been a good boy would Christmas eve. I will leave you you please bring me a bulldozer some good cookies Santa. dumper, a red fire truck and a

Love, **Greg** Langley Box 127

Mobeetie, Texas

I have been a pretty good boy

this year, and would like a

bulldozer and plow for Christ-

mas. Also, please bring my little

Thank you,

Bryan Markham

Age: 4 years

Allison, Texas

I am a good girl. I want a doll

Jill Johnson (1)

Dr. Jack L. Rose

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Fri.: 2-5

brother, Monty, a toy.

bed and a baby doll.

Dear Santa.

Dear Santa,

Tues .: 9-5

good little girl. I'll leave you some cooking and

smockey C. B. Radio. Please

bring my sister a baby doll. Her

name is Amanda. She's been a

milk. I Love You. Don May

Rt 1 Mobeetie, Texas

Dear Santa. Please bring me a tractor, a plow, and a three wheeler tha pops wheeles. I am pretty good.

Love, Matt Johnson (3)

Dear Santa Clause. I am wanting a furniture truck, a combine, and a hay rack. I'll leave you a snack. I love you, Dave Johnson (5)

Dear Santa, I am 4 years old. For Christmas I want a doll and a bottle. I have been good this vear. Thanks, **Christy Jones**

Dear Santa, I am 3 years old. I want a doll and some clothes. I have been a

Lori Lee Dear Santa Claus. Could I please have a Tin Can Alley, and a Green Machine, an electric train, a Big Mack truck, Lega Building Blocks, and for the last thing some cars. Love and kisses. Bret Moore Dear Santa. I would like a Yamaha Maxt.





Wendell, Sandra and Clifton Morgan

GREETINGS

Tranquility. Serenity. Peace. May these treasures blanket this joyous season. For our loyal patrons, we're ever grateful.

From the Employees At

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Toby Collins

Dear Santa. I want a bike with a horn on it. How is Rudolph? Your friend **Danny Pierce**

Dear Santa.

Please bring me a Barbie tow house, and a bike to the town house, basket doll and a basket hop. Will you bring my mom and dad some more sheets. Will you bring my Grandma and Granddad toaster, and a bike for me. Your Friend,

Dear Santa. I would like to have a pink huffy bike for a girl. I want some clothes.

Lisa Tyndall

Your friend, Marisa Johnson

Dear Santa Claus. Would you bring me a bicycle that looks like a motor cycle. Your firend, **Robert Andis**

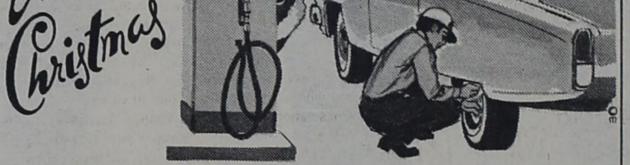
Dear Santa. I would like to have a bicycle, overalls, and Green Machine. Love, Ted Moore

Dear Santa,

I want you to bring a Yamaha motorcycle, gocart, electric choo choo train, and let me see Rudolph's nose shine so bring. Love, **Bufford Meadows**

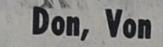
Dear Santa Claus. I want a Yamaha 100 of a Yamaha 75 or a Yamaha 50 or a Go-cart.

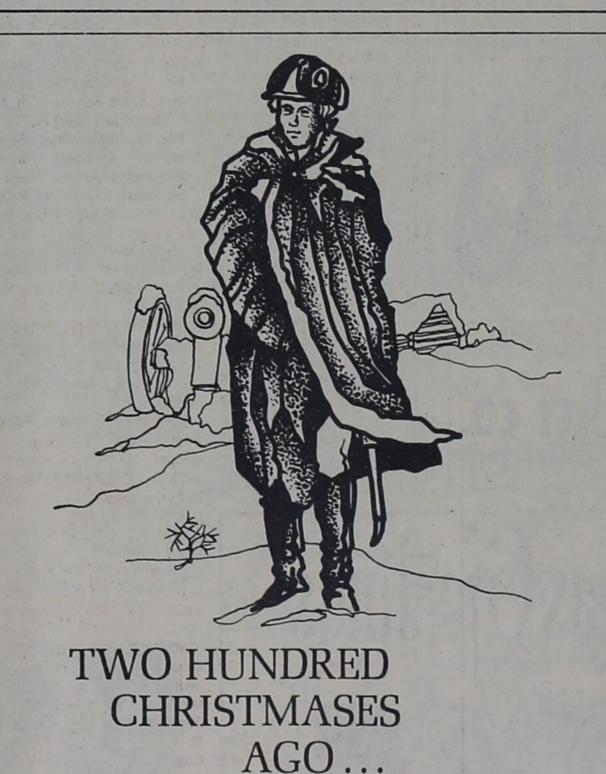
Your friend, Vincent Mendiola



Merrily, you'll roll along with our best holiday wishes . . . and our heartfelt thanks for your confidence in us!

Albert, Hannah Faye, and the second and the second that we want





General George Washington's ragged and decimated Continental Army was on the brink of dissolution; the cause was all but lost. Thomas Paine was calling for American resolve good girl. Thanks, Jeana Jones

Dear Santa.

I live in Wheeler, Texas. I am glad that you aren't the way in the story that we read.

I want a trampoline and ten. speed bicycle and a basket ball, gold. You are the sweetest Santa in the world.

Love. Bridgett Wallace

Dear Santa.

I want a army shirt and an army gun and I want a trampoline and I want a money magic and I want a football. Santa, I like you very much. The End.

> Love. **Bobby Schubert**

Dear Santa. Hove you. I want a hush little

doll it has a pacifier and a bottle and a craddle. Love. Larissa Tracy

Dear Santa.

I want the six million dollar man and I want a fish. I wish you a Happy New Year. The End. Love. **Billy Richardson**

Dear Santa,S I want a walking doll. I want a Baby-a-live. I love you Santa. To Santa. From Belinda Blake

Dear Santa.

I want a stretch Armstrong and please bring me an army uni-And also a football form. uniform.

Yours truly, **Tim Comer**

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa.

Please bring a baton and a cheerleader suit and a Baby-a Live. I love you.

Dear Santa Claus. I would like to have a China doll, pom-poms, a spirograph, a yo yo, and would you fill up my stocking. I want, a mini bike and a toy chest.

Love, Angela Lambeth

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Candee Atwood

May I have a football suit and a pair of cleats. And the suit that I want is a Wheeler Mustang suit. Love. Eric Price SAWS Hand Saws - Skil Saws Table Saw Blades Chain Saws Jointer Blades Foley Equipment

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McQUEEN-FARNSWORTH VOWS READ



WHEELER CO-OP

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Mitchell Mrs. Maurine Brotherton Weldon Simmons

something new, something bor- dresses designed to match the

Wedding vows were read December 18 at 4:30 P.M. in the of honor, Miss Sally Brown of Mrs. George Ferris, organist, First Baptist Church of Memphis Amarillo, and bridesmaids Miss- played the traditional wedding for Stacy Farnsworth and Max es Sondra Elem, Cynthia Watson march.

McQueen. Rev. Melvin Hooten and Raynell Martin of Memphis. performed the ceremony before Their floor length gowns carrried formal gown of silver lame' with an archway of greenery flanked out the bride's chosen colors of matching accessories. Her corby branched candelabra bearing coral and mint green. They were sage was of coral cornations. The white tapers.

The groom is the son of Mr. and matching picture hats and car- pink carnations. Mrs. E. L. McQueen, Jr. of ried nosegays of coral and mint The reception was held im-

Memphis. Given in marriage by her with satin streamers. father, the bride wore a formal Serving his brother as best serving table was covered with a white princess style gown of man was Mark McQueen of coral cloth and was centered with sheer organza. Venice lace Austin. Groomsmen were J. E. a coral and mint green floral trimmed the high nickline and Vick of Wayside and Tommy Bell arrangement flanked by candles. bodice. The long fitted sleves and Mike Godfrey of Memphis. Crystal and silver serving pieces which came to petal points were Head usher was Miles Farns- completed the table appointaccented with Venice lace. The worth, of Wheeler, brother of ments. The three tiered wedding full skirt swept into a chapel train bride. He was assisted by Tex cake was topped with bells and and was encircled with two rows Stone and Dickie Braddock of twin gold wedding bands. of Venice lace. Her tiered veil of Memphis and Ronnie Browning Alternating at the serving tulle fell from a headpiece of lace of Amarillo.

and seed pearls. She carried a Candlelighters were Lisa ards of Amarillo and Mesdames cascade boquet of miniature Farnsworth and Greg McQueen. Mike Godfrey, Tommy Bell and white carnations and baby breath Flower girl was Chandra Staple Tex Stone of Memphis. atop a white Bible. She had the and Chris Stone was ring bearer. traditional "something old, The girls wore chiffon and satin was Miss Andrea Bachman of



rowed and something blue and a bridesmaid's dresses. Their lucky penny in her shoe." headpieces were fashioned of Attending the bride were maid flowers and ribbons.

The brides Mother wore a fashioned of chiffon over satin groom's mother was attired in a The bride's parents are Mrs. and featured halter tops with gown of pink chiffon featuring a Charles R. Brown of Wheeler and chiffon capes that dipped to the lace bodice and long fitted Johnny Farnsworth of Memphis. waistline in the back. They wore sleeves. Her corsage was of rose

> green pom poms and baby breath mediately following the ceremony in Fellowship Hall. The

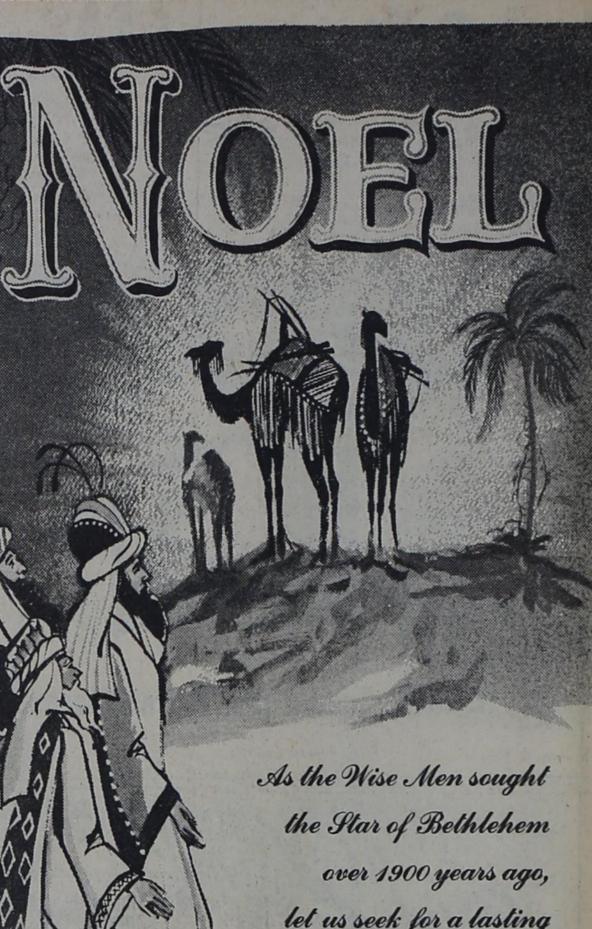
table were Mrs. Suzanne Rich-Attending the guest register

Memphis. Other members of the reception party were Mesdames Billy D. Roden, Jack Boney, Howard Richardson and Andy Gardenhire.

Mr. and Mrs. McQueen will make their home in Amarillo where they are both employed. Grandparents attending the

wedding were Mr. and Mrs. E. L. McQueen Sr., of Memphis and Mrs. Fred Farnsworth and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Graham of Canadian.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Mc Queen Jr., hosted a rehearsal dinner Friday evening, December 17, at 8 p.m. at the Big O Restaurant. The guest list included Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Vick, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Tex Stone and Chris, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Godfrey, Dickie Braddock, Ronnie Browning, Mr. and Mrs. William McQueen and Greg, Mr. and Mrs. George Ferris, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Farnsworth and Lisa, Mrs. Carolyn Staples and Chandra, Rev. and Mrs. Melvin Hooten, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brown, Miles Farnsworth, Stacy Farnsworth, Max McQueen, Mark McOueen, Sally Brown, Sondra Elem, Cynthia Watson



let us seek for a lasting peace on earth. Let us pray for that day when men will live

anta zooms n, his pack filled to overflowing with joy, peace, and contentment for all. Happy holidays and thanks.



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Mrs. Max McQueen

Dear Santa Claus,

I've been good. I would like a

cheerleader's suit, shoes, and

like a big swimming pool that all

Jolly's. Please make sure the

bride doll is the biggest one you

I love you,

Amy Hester

can find.

P. S.

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Dear Santa.

shoes are 131/2.

like some pom-poms too. I would and Ray Nell Martin. DEAR SANT also like a cheerleading uniform and some shoes to match. I would like a hula hoop and some I know you're very busy, and I stockings. I would also like a hope you can read this letter.

swimming pool and a trampoline. I want a bride doll with clothes I would also like a warm kitten. to go with her, because I know Love.

Kathryn Adams

pom poms just like the cheer- Dear Santa. leader's at Wheeler. I would also

I love you Santa. Tell Rudolph I love him. Be my guest at my my friends can swim in. I want a house. Santa would you wake me trampoline just like Dee Ann up Christmas when you come to my house.

From Chris Bedowitz

How are you Santa Claus? Dear Santa,

Also, please make sure the Thank you for all the presents cheerleading suit is a 6x, and the vou brought me last Christmas. I have been a good boy all year. I am in the first grade and I would like a backhoe and a football.

Please remember the other Please bring me a Jaws game, kids in my class and my cousins Richie and Ronnie. I will be at my Grandmother's house in Wellington.

Love. I want a Barbie and I want a **Tony Jackson**

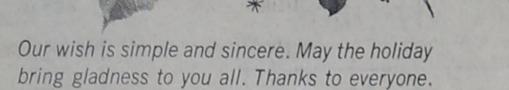
> Dear Santa, I have been a good boy. I would like you to gring me anything you would like too. Remember my brothers too. Thank you, David Jones



together in harmony.

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In this season of happy thoughts and warm hearts, we extend a special "Thank you" to all our good friends and patrons for your confidence, loyalty and support . . . a Merry Christmas to all!

PETE BURTON FORD

Gay Burton

Waddell Davis

Jimmy Gilmer

Pete Burton **Delbert** Thomas Leonard Gaines

Dickie Burton Gary Don Burton Chuck Earney

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Dear Santa.

I'm a little girl 5 years old, and For Christmas I want a "Hap-I think I've been pretty good. py Birthday Baby Tenderlove" Please bring me a Liberty Bell doll, a "Baby-That-a-way" doll, Piggy Bank, a Baby Alive, and a lots of candy and a set of dishes. basketball goal. Please don't I've been a good girl this year. bathtub. Love,

Shonda Meek Briscoe Kindergarten



May the peaceful tranquility of this Holy season enter heart and home. Our pleasure is serving you.

George and Vena Richardson

Dear Santa Claus. Dear Santa. I want a rock tumbler, and a I am 5 years old and I live at Happy Birthday doll, and some Briscoe, Texas. I would like a Barbie Town pom-poms. Black and gold. I will leave some hot chocolate and House for Christmas. some cookies for you. I love you. I will leave some hay for your

Love.

Mindy Hardcastle

LeAndra Stuckey reindeer. Please bring Marcus, a toy telephone, and some plastic

blocks, and some toys for the Dear Santa, I am 3 years old and I live at Briscoe, Texas. I would like a Curious George Monkey for Christmas. Love, Tressa Perry

Love.

Dear Santa. I want some magic markers and an electric blanket. With love. Thanks. Michele

Dear Santa. I want a Jamie Summers doll, magic markers, and a light bright. Thanks, Wanda Kay Taylor

Dear Santa. I want an electric blanket. Thanks. Nita Sue Keelin

Dear Santa. I want a Jamie Summers doll, Weeble Haunted House, and Don't Cry Baby. Thanks Janette Ann Hink

Dear Santa, I want a light bright. Thanks, Love. Julie Moore

Santa

Dear Santa, Dear Santa. I want a Weeble Haunted I want a Jamie Summers doll, a bike, and a light bright. House. Thanks, Thanks, Leslie Wendy



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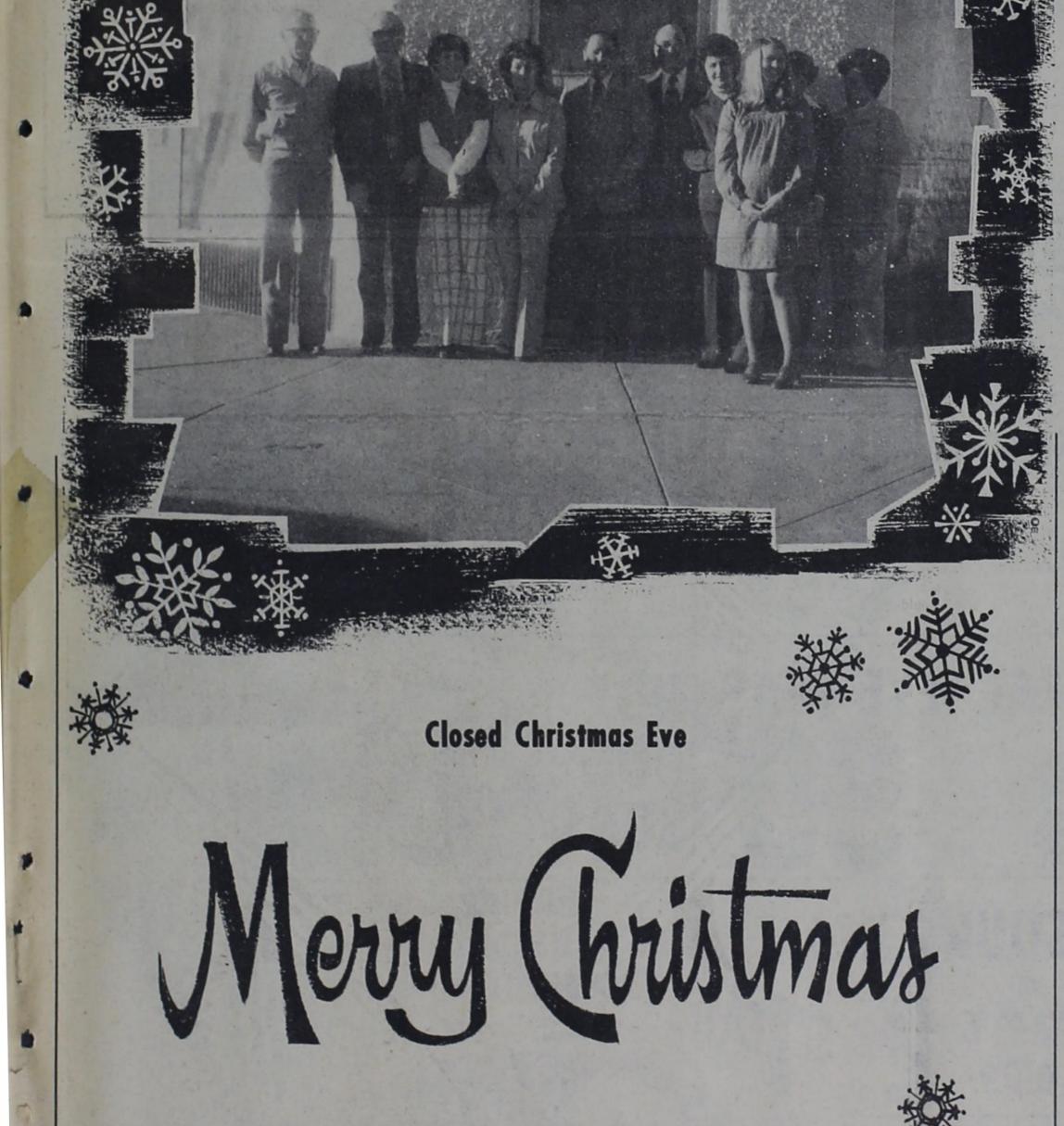
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time. Warm thanks.

of Christmas in our

Howdy, and

Merry Christmas



I want a bubble gum machine. Thanks, Melinda

Dear Santa, I want a Don'T Cry Baby and a light bright. Thanks, Kristi

Dear Santa. I am in Kindergarten. For Chrsitmas I want a guitar, a Huffy, and a pool talbe. Thank you, Brett Buckingham

Dear Santa, I am in kindergarten. For Christmas I want magic markers, record player, and a Raggedy Ann clock, and a Snoop toothbrush.

Thank you, Karla Harris

Dear Santa. I am in Kindergarten. For Christmas I want a Lone Ranger, a horse, and a police car. Thank you, J. D. Kirkland

Dear Santa.

For Christmas I want a bulldozer, a road-grader, a Weeble Treehouse and Ghost-town, a chalkboard with chalk and an eraser, a telephone, a spring horse, and a stuffed tiger and dog. I've been a good boy this year.

> Love, Jeromy Reames Briscoe Kindergarten



At last it's here . . . the merriest time of the year! This is the season

when old friendships are strengthened and new ones are fostered

by the spirit of good will all about us. Here's hoping we may continue the fine association we have enjoyed in the past.

Thanks, friends, and have a wonderful Holiday.

from all the people at the . . . **First National Bank**



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