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Home Paper

Bringing News to People You Know

Home Girls Win Hedley Basketball Tournament

Girls Meet Here Friday Night

Memphis girls' basketball team brought home a first place trophy from the Hedley tournament while the boys team won second place. In both of their games, the girls' team, coached by Coach John Jones, defeated Hedley. In the first game last Thursday night, the girls won 44-33. In the second game, Saturday night, they won 32-24.

Three Cyclone Footballers Named To All-Region Team

Three Memphis football players, Dudley Gillespie, David Davis and Butch Adcock, received All-Regional honors this week in Class A. Coach John Jones announced Thursday morning that Gillespie, who played guard and also served as extra-point kicker, was given a berth on the First Team All-Regional by the Amarillo Daily News. Davis, quarterback, and Adcock, fullback, were named to the honorable mention team. Coach Jones stated that the honor was unusual in that the Cyclone did not get to compete in the playoffs.

ASC Begins Paying Annual Rental on Conservation Land

The Hall County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation office has begun making the annual rental payments for 1957 on land placed in the Conservation Reserve part of the Soil Bank, Lynn McKown, office manager, said this week. He stated that the office had paid out \$59,000 so far and had about \$195,000 to go before the annual rental payments would be completed. Individual farmers will be notified by mail when the work on (Continued on Page 12, Sec. 1)

Baptist Choir To Present Christmas Cantata Sunday Night

The Sanctuary Choir of the Baptist Church will present a Christmas Cantata, "The Chorus in the Skies," by Fred B. Holman, Dec. 22, at the 7:30 worship hour. It was announced that Cadet (Continued on Page 12, Sec. 1)

chorus; women's chorus and choir; "The Lord Is Come" by the choir; "The Chorus in the Skies" by the choir and concluding number. Officers of the choir are R. D. Jones, director; George Archer, associate director; Mrs. Carl Smith, organist; Mrs. T. L. Rouse, associate organist; Mrs. L. G. Rasco, pianist; Joy Lynn Phillips, associate pianist; Mrs. D. L. C. Kinard, president; George Archer, first vice president; Mrs. Jack Ross, second vice president; Mrs. Lloyd Phillips, third vice president; Mrs. Bob Ayers, secretary and treasurer; Nelson Combest, librarian; Mrs. H. J. Howell, custodian of robes; Mrs. Maud Milam. (Continued on Page 12, Sec. 1)



"And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." —Luke 2:8-14

Highway Department To Spend \$55,000 on State Road 256 in '58

The Texas Highway Department will spend \$55,000.00 in Hall County during 1958, D. C. Greer, state highway engineer, has announced. This is in addition to the regular construction and maintenance program.

Committee of 24 Laymen, Educators Organize To Study School Problems

A committee composed of school officials and citizens from each of the school districts in Hall County met in the Memphis High School cafeteria Tuesday night and organized the Committee of 24 to survey the school situation in this area, County Superintendent Mary Foreman said this week. The committee was organized as the result of House Concurrent Resolution No. 105 adopted last year by the Legislature which provided that a committee of 24 persons be set up on the state level and the county level to survey the school situation and make recommendation to the Legislature. The district committee will take up the school program phase first, Miss Foreman said. The work of the county committee must be completed and recommendations sent to the state committee not later than May 1, 1958, she explained. The state committee will then (Continued on Page 12, Sec. 1)

4-H, F. F. A. Livestock Show To Be Held Sat.

Fire Destroys Cotton in Trailers At Lesley Gin

Fire broke out at the Paymaster Gin at Lesley shortly after noon today, Thursday, with about 20 to 25 bales of cotton on fire at press time, according to a radio report from Deputy Sheriff Elmer Neel. There were also about nine trailers on fire. Lloyd Phillips of the Western Cottonoil Company office here said that the gin at Lesley shut down operations this morning about 5 a. m. because of the high wind and that the cause of the fire was unknown at this time.

Services For W. F. Hodnett Held Here Sunday

Funeral services for W. F. Hodnett, pioneer resident of Hall County, were conducted from the Travis Baptist Church at 2 p. m. Sunday under the direction of Rev. M. Stonecipher, pastor of the Friendship Baptist Church in the Buck Creek community, assisted by Rev. Lanham F. Campbell, pastor of the local church. Mr. Hodnett, who came to Hall County in 1922, died at a local hospital Friday morning about 11 a. m. after having been in ill health for about two years. He was born on Jan. 27, 1880, in Bastrop County and was 77 years, 10 months and 16 days old. Miss Louella Robert was united in marriage to Mr. Hodnett on Nov. 4, 1907, in Cargell County, and the family moved to the Lesley community in 1922. There they engaged in farming until retiring and moving to Memphis about a year ago. Their home here was at 316 N. 4th Street. He was a member of the Baptist (Continued on Page 12, Sec. 1)

Assembly of God Christmas Program To Be Sun. Evening

The Assembly of God Church will present a Christmas program on Sunday evening, beginning at 7:45, it was announced Tuesday. A three-act play will be given and members of the Sunday School department will present special numbers between acts. A cordial invitation to attend the program is extended the public.

Rep. Walter Rogers Gets First-Hand Farming Report

Congressman Walter Rogers last Tuesday visited with friends in Hall County to get first-hand reports on the farm situation, and economic conditions as they exist in this area. Arriving in Memphis about 11:30, he drove to Lakeview, where he ate lunch with a few farmer friends. After lunch, he went to the Lakeview Co-Op Gin office, where he interviewed approximately 15 men. From there he was conducted on a tour of the area, and examined a large part of Precinct 2. After the tour, Rogers returned to Lakeview, and met with another group of farmers at the Paymaster Gin office, where balloting was being conducted on the cotton marketing referendum. Citizens of the Lakeview area explained to Representative Rogers in detail about problems confronting farmers. His questions brought frank and forthright answers in which individual farm operations were outlined. "The information I have gathered will be useful to me when Congress convenes next year," the Congressman said after leaving Lakeview. "Too many people have been misinformed about the farm picture, and I intend to straighten out several of them." From Lakeview he went to Matador, where he spoke at a joint meeting of the Rousing Springs and Matador Lions Clubs. The banquet was held in commemoration of Achievement Day for 4-H Club members.

Janet Clemons, Dorothy Copeland, Sondra Stargel Named Winners in MHS Beauty Contest Monday

The annual Memphis High School Beauty Contest, sponsored by the senior class, was held in the school auditorium on Monday night, Dec. 16. Winner in the eleventh and twelfth grade division was Janet Clemons, sponsored by Bruce Bros. Service Station. Ouida Massey, sponsored by Lemens Furniture Co., was second, and Frances Wright, sponsored by J. C. Penney Co., was third place winner. Winner in the ninth and tenth grade division was Dorothy Copeland, sponsored by Goodnight Grocery. Second place winner was Patricia Leigon, whose sponsor was Brown Auto Store, and third was Alice Kay Young, sponsored by Durham's Pharmacy. In the eighth grade division, Sondra Stargel placed first, with Massey Plumbing Co. as sponsor. Joy Bates, second, was sponsored by Greene Dry Goods Co. Third place winner, Sue Pounds, was sponsored by Cudd-Boone Oil Co. Other contestants and their sponsors were: Barbara Allen, First National Bank; Shirley Bryant, Wood Bros. Super Market; Audrey Beth Burnett, Branigan Jewelry; Guyula Cawfield, Memphis Compress; Lois Clark, Cedar Room Cafe; Virginia Chapell, Household Supply; Elaine Clayton, Memphis Tire & Supply; Clayton, Memphis Tire & Supply; Linda Collins, Vogue Beauty Salon; Mattie Lou Copeland, First State Bank; Sue Daugherty, Mrs. Baird's Bread; Carolyn Ferrel, Beeson's Cleaners; Teresa Hale, Jackson's Laundry; Jimmie Harris, O. M. Perkins Trucking Co.; Joyce Hall, Stone Machinery Co.; Ruth Ann Jackson, Thompson Bros. Co.; Patsy Kennon, Memphis Democrat; Sandra Lee, Tarver-Stanford Pharmacy; Bobbie Lemons, Whitley's Beauty Shop; Kay Leslie, Kinard-Galley Agency; Linda Leslie, Phillips Bros. Service Station; Wanda Moore, Lavender Service Center; Helen Shackelford, Wright's Service Station; Peggy Shockley, Memphis Dry Cleaners; Linda Sturdevant, Mosley's Cafe; Teddie Trulove, Memphis Lumber Co.; Addie Lou Wells, Smith's Auto Store; Barbara Widener, Rice Magnolia Station; Linda Sue Widener, Vallance Grocery; Barbara Winters, Cyclone Drive Inn; Ernestine Young, Memphis Grocery. Patricia Anthony, Cicero Smith Lumber Co.; Jo Beth Barnes, Harrison Hardware Co.; Wanda Bartley, Mead's Bakery; Paula Blevins, Blevins Barber Shop; Naydean Canida, Foxhall Motor Co.; Charlotte Clayton, Borden's Dairy; Jackie Crawford, R. A. Wells Motor Co.; Mary Crawford, Popular Dry Goods; Tony Davis, Goldsmith Dairy; Sue Edwards, Farmers Union Co-Op Gin; Judith Evans, Herb's Grocery; Shari Gentry, Memphis Steam Laundry; Bettye Gidden, Hickey Motor Co.; Joyce Grice, Lindsey Cleaners; Janie Harris, O. W. Perkins Trucking Co.; Carleen Harrison, Baldwin's; Sharon Hooser, Ayers Furniture. Lera Kate Hutcherson, Greenhaw's Beauty Shop; Shirley Kennon, Coleman's Super Market; Barbara Lambert, Jones Laundry; Judy Lemons, Dr. D. H. Aronofsky; Joan Little, Clark's Clinic; Wilma Martin, Goodall Hospital; Judy Miller, Watts Auto Store; Jan Mitchell, Saied's Dept. Store; Carolyn Montgomery, Martin Gulf Station; Patricia Moore, Coy Davis Butane Co.; Naomi Purcell, Master Antenna Service. (Continued on Page 12, Sec. 1)

Memphis Little Theatre Enjoys Christmas Party in Ralph Williams Home Friday

Members of the Memphis Little Theatre enjoyed the annual Christmas dinner party on Friday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Williams. Serving as co-hostesses with Mrs. Williams were Mrs. Adrian Combs, Mrs. John Deaver, Mrs. Harry Boswell, Mrs. Claude Ferrel and Mrs. Herschel Combs.

The spacious Williams home was attractively decorated for the occasion carrying out the yuletide motif. The dining table was laid with a pink net cloth trimmed in sequins. Angle hair, pink Christmas balls and silver tinsel formed the base for the large Christmas candle glittered in pink which was used as a centerpiece for the table. Other pink candles in silver

candelabra were used at vantage points in the dining area.

On the mantle were three pink reindeer and a miniature plume tree in pink, illuminated by tiny snowball lights. To the left of the mantle was the traditional Christmas tree trimmed in lights, multi-colored ribbon bows and Christmas balls.

Following the meal of chicken loaf, green beans, salad, toasted sandwiches, date roll and coffee, a program and gift exchange was enjoyed.

An original skit was presented by Mrs. Boyd Rogers and Gladys Power who later acted as Santa to distribute the gifts.

Enjoying this affair were Mmes. A. Anisman, Jim Beeson, J. W.



KITCHEN TERRY—Bright kitchen towels express a cheerful Merry Christmas, or thanks to a weekend hostess. This cotton terry by Cone Mills is in multicolor woven stripes on white.

Coppedge, Verna DeBerry, Allen Dunbar, Leo Fields, Gayle Greene, R. S. Greene, T. M. Harrison, D. L. C. Kinard, T. L. Robertson, Boyd Rogers, Robert Sexauer, Myrtle Howard, Gladys Power, Misses Helen Boswell, Mary Foreman, Roselyn Williams and hostesses, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Ferrel, Mrs. Deaver, Mrs. Boswell, Mrs. A. Combs and Mrs. H. Combs.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lacy and girls of El Paso will arrive Saturday to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Cooley and sister, Helen Parker.

Xmas Program Is Featured By Pathfinders'

"The Guiding Light" was the key thought for the Pathfinders' Council meeting December 10 in the home of Mrs. Robert Spicer, with Mrs. W. P. Baten co-hostess.

Introducing the program, Mrs. Gene Chamberlain read "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Mrs. A. O. Gidden gave a Christmas prayer. Mrs. Ernest Lee told the story of the Hymn of the Month, "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing." While Mrs. Ann Dickson gave the Christmas Meditation, the best loved carol, "Silent Night," was being played. She emphasized that Christmas was everywhere—no cottage too small, no palace too great for its filling presence. Mrs. Dickson made the analogy that Edison made a light for our physical comfort, but that the Christ Child brought the strongest light of all.

Mrs. Barney Burnett read the story "Raphael, The Herald Angel," written by David Appel and

Merle Hudson. Raphael's post in the Beautiful City was that of a choirmaster. His pupils were the fun-loving cherubs—who never quite learned to act the part of little angels. The plump efficient Lemuel was the leading tenor in the Heaven's Hallelujah Choir. The night the Christ Child was born Raphael and all of this singers descended from Heaven to sing their beloved songs. Raphael was afraid the people on earth did not hear their songs. But on Christmas Eve of this year Lemuel with Raphael, returned to earth. They saw people shopping for gifts of love and they heard the choirsters in their church lifting their voices to the melody of the heavenly carols. The two joyfully returned to their heavenly home.

The central point of interest in the colorful Christmas decoration was a hugh green tree, around which gifts were arranged. Members, after drawing numbers, received the gifts.

Delicious refreshments were served to Mmes. Barney Burnett, Hester Bownds, A. Gidden, A. O. Gidden, Dick Spoon, Ernest Lee and hostesses.

The next meeting will be in the

home of Mrs. J. J. McDaniel Anchorage, Alaska. January 14th.

John Ira Foster Serving in Army, Stationed in Alaska

Pvt. John Ira Foster, son of Mrs. Ira Foster of Amarillo and formerly of Memphis, has been assigned to duty at Fort Richardson, July of this year.

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Merry Christmas

To The

Citizens of Hall County

And

Best Wishes for the Holiday Season

At this time of year our thoughts turn back over the past twelve months. As we review what has been completed, we realize again the meaning of friendships. You, our friends and neighbors, have made our tasks easier as we served you in county affairs.

We are truly thankful for the consideration of the citizens of Hall County. May this be the happiest Christmas you have ever had in all the years gone by, and may the New Year bring health, wealth and happiness to every person whom we have served.

Your County Officials Hope for Everyone a Pleasant YULETIDE and a Happy and Prosperous New Year

Tracy Davis
County Judge

Mrs. Ruby Goodnight
County Clerk

John Deaver
County Attorney

W. P. (Bill) Baten, Jr.
Sheriff

Mrs. Hester Bownds
County Treasurer

Mrs. W. C. Anderson
Tax Assessor-Collector

Mary Foreman
County Superintendent

Mildred Stephens
District Clerk

Edwin Hutcherson
Commissioner, Prec. 1

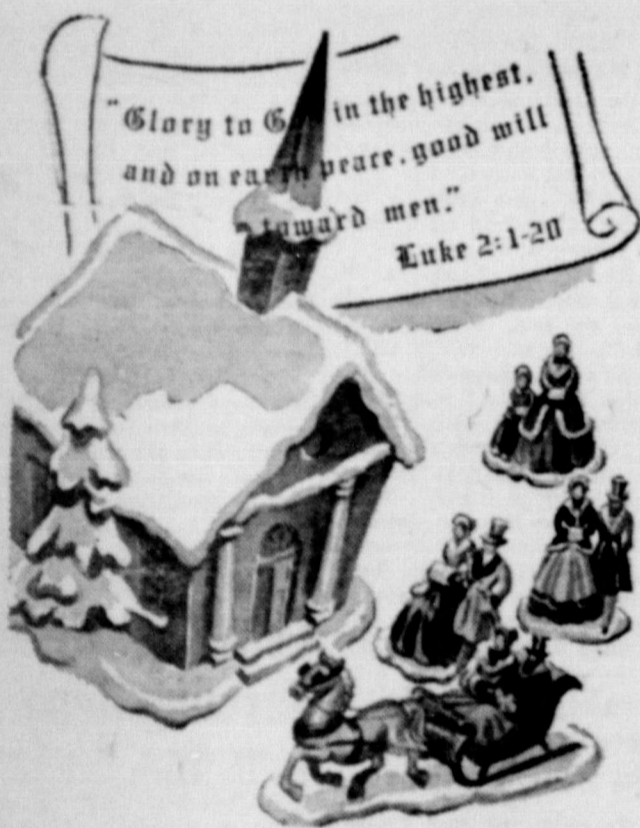
George Blewer
Commissioner, Prec. 2

S. E. Winkler
Commissioner, Prec. 3

Leon Lane
Commissioner, Prec. 4

J. S. Grimes
Justice of the Peace

W. B. Hooser
County Agent



Letters To Santa Claus

Dallas, Tex.

...years old and I will ... at my Granddad's ... They live at 221 ... I would like to have ... "Poor Piti- ... and a "Poor Piti- ... I would also like ...

... Buck would like an ... and a battery op- ... I have a new ... who of course ... what he wants as ... months old, but we ... for you to leave him ... some other new toys ... getting tired of his old ...

... also leave some- ... and Lonesome. ... they won't get to ... will have to stay in a ... Christmas. ... I would also like some

Lots of Love,
Gaye Kulp

Lakeview, Texas

... girl of about 18 ... like to have a baby ... hair; also some ... and oranges. Thank ...

... Love,
Betty Joyce Sanders

Lakeview, Texas

... boy 8 years old ... school. I am in the 3rd ... like my teacher very ... she is real nice. For ... like a pellet pistol, ... clothes, candy, fruit, ... Santa, please don't for- ... privileged children. ... you very much,
Royce E. Sanders

Memphis, Texas

... boy 3 years old. I ... a good boy. ... me a holster and ... shot gun, and lots of ...

... forget my little sis- ... big sister. They have ... good for girls.
Love,
Dwight Clayton

Memphis, Tex.

... please bring me a set ... that can take a bath, ... a puppy ...

... Love you,
Egina Jo Robertson

... Governor's Mansion, as ... was built in 1853. ... older than the Cap- ...

... to enter the union ... in 1912.



FESTIVE COUCH COVER—Colorful cotton couch cover and pillows make festive gifts, and also dress up a studio couch for the holidays. These toss pillows and studio throw by Craig are of sturdy cotton Gros tapestry in red and green. Accent pillows in black add contrast.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of expressing our thanks to the many friends and neighbors who brought food and flowers; and also to the doctors and nurses who were so sweet and kind to all of us during the sickness and death of our loving husband and father, W. F. Hodnett, who passed away Dec. 13. May we thank you again, but words can't express our appreciation.

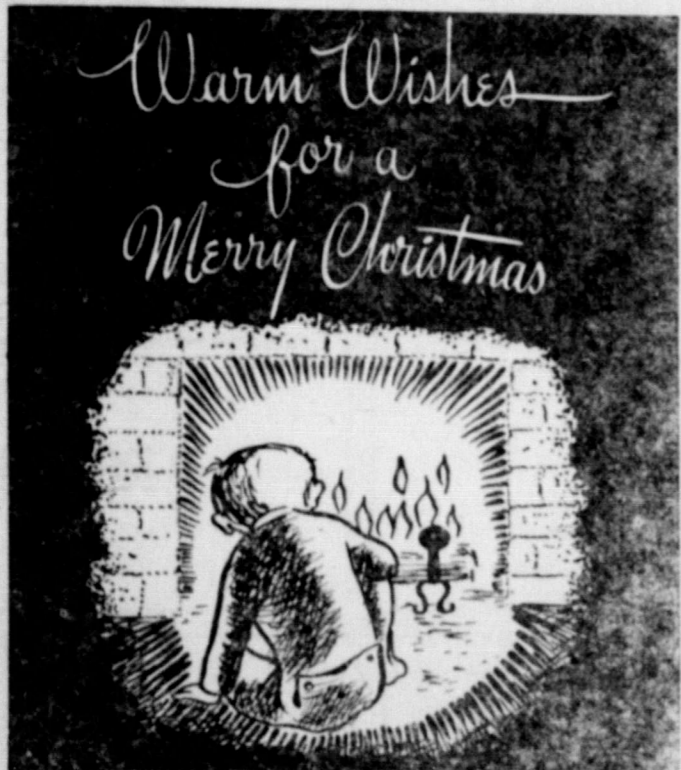
The Hodnett Family

Glenna Maddox Is New Operator Here

Glenna Maddox began work Monday as an operator at Whiteley Beauty Shop here. She is a graduate of the San Jacinto Beauty School in Aparillo with the November class.



Largest of Texas' state parks is Big Bend National Park, comprising 708,000 acres.



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WANT ADS

FOR SALE—Blacksmith Shop in Lakeview, best equipped shop in county. All machinery individually motorized. A bargain. Hoggatt & Son, Lakeview. 29-tfc

FOR SALE—Girl's bicycle, 26-inch with basket. Also boat. Call 553-M or may be seen at 216 N. 3rd after 5 p. m. 29-2p

NEW and used Singer sewing machines sales and service. Gordon Maddox. Ph. 299-J. 28-tfc

BOOK your order now for pen fed Baby Beef turkeys. Ph. 638-J1. Mrs. Roy Widener. 28-3p

FOR SALE—Good used pianos. Lemons Furniture Co., phone 12. 3-tfc

FOR SALE—Driveway gravel, washed sand and gravel for concrete, pit run gravel. E. C. "Red" Moore, phone 343-B, Memphis. 50-tfc

FOR RENT—4-room duplex. 820 Skiddy. Ph. 41M. 30-3c

FOR RENT—Furnished apartment, 710 N. 11th. See Glenn Carlos. 24-tfc

FOR RENT—Furnished or unfurnished apartments. All utilities paid. 821 Main St. Phone 204. 39-tfc

WANTED—Some to share expenses and go to Los Angeles, Calif. Contact A. R. Vallance at Vallance Food Store by Saturday. 30-1p

LADY WANTED for companion for elderly lady. Good salary. Inquire at Democrat office. 29-tfc

WANTED 20 Young Married Couples We have a Sunday School department for you who want to study God's Word. A nursery is provided free for its children. TRAVIS BAPTIST CHURCH 13th at Grundy Phone 263 16-tfc

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Special Notices AUCTION—Friday night, Dec. 20, starting at 7:30 p. m. This is a continuation of our Close Out. Harrison Hardware, Memphis. 30-1c

PICTURE framing, mats made—venetian blinds repaired, new tapes and cord—sewing machine repairing and parts. Rehels Furniture Repair Shop. 808 Cleveland St., phone 568. 27-tfc

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GOLDEN YELLOW FRUIT LB. —
Bananas 10¢

WHITE SWAN 8 OZ. PKG. —
DATES 19¢

CRANBERRIES Fresh 2 pkgs. **39c**

SHORTENING IGA Sno Kreem 3 lb. can **75c**

LIBBY'S **PUMPKIN** 2½ size can **19¢**

GOOD VALUE **BACON** Pound **49¢**

KRAFT **Miracle Whip Dressing** Quart jar **49¢**

HALF OR WHOLE **HAMS** Pound **59¢**

IGA **Fruit Cocktail** 303 size can **21¢**

PORK ROAST Pound **39¢**

IGA **PEARS** 303 size can **19¢**

WISCONSIN LONGHORN **CHEESE** Pound **49¢**

WHITE SWAN **Blackeyed Peas** 300 size can **10¢**

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Mrs. J. A. Ballard Gives Breakfast For Junior Class

Mrs. J. A. Ballard entertained the Estelline Junior Class with a Christmas breakfast in her spacious home in Estelline on December 13.

The living room and dining room were artistically arranged to carry out the seasonal spirit. A white tree was lighted with red lights. Red Nandena berries, Christmas balls and silver leaves were used as center pieces on the tables. Places were marked by tiny red socks filled with candies and nuts.

When the guests arrived, they were served iced orange juice in the living room. The menu included sausage, scrambled eggs, hot biscuits, fruit preserves, coffee and hot chocolate. The beverage set was pottery Santas.

Mrs. Bob Davidson asked the invocation. Following the meal, recorded music was enjoyed.

Those attending were: Gary Adams, Linda Altman, Sonja Anthony, Nelda Arnold, Joe Corona, Gary Cox, Jo Ann Cuppell, Daniel Davidson, Linda Hayes, Patricia Nivens, Boyd Pipes, Linda Walker and Murream Ward.

Parnell Club Meets For Quilting Dec. 4

The Parnell Club met Dec. 4 in the Parnell Club House. Opening prayer led by Cordye Hood, who also gave the devotional. Roll call was answered with "What I Did on Thanksgiving."

A contest in progress was completed at this meeting with the losing side being the one captained by Dot Damron. The losers will have to prepare the Christmas program for Dec. 18.

The afternoon was spent quilting. Hostesses were Cordye Hood, Marie Johnson, and Lena Hill. Those present were Lawayne Boney, Lois Weatherly, May Weatherly, Leona Burk, Colleen Burk, Nell Burk, Cordye Hood, Lucille Cope, Bessie Lathram, Bertha Moorehead, Lottie Buchanan, Marie Johnson, Gussie Omthershed, Joe Hawkins, Dot Damron, and Mrs. John Berryman.

Officers for the coming year will be elected at the meeting on Dec. 18.

Mrs. Berryman dismissed the meeting.

Twenty-nine million registered borrowers took out 360 million books at public libraries in a recent year.

Fire insurance dates from the great fire of London in 1666.



MISSILE MOVES . . . Built for U. S. Airforce by Convair-Astronautic, Atlas intercontinental ballistic missile is moved from San Diego to launching site in Florida on tubular trailer protected by security guards.

Methodist Class of Estelline Enjoys Christmas Party

The Adult Classes of the Estelline Methodist Church enjoyed a Christmas party in the Estelline Methodist Church basement on the evening of December 11. The party rooms were festive with Christmas decorations.

Visiting and games were enjoyed. At the beginning of the evening two Christmas packages were started circulating. A person could keep the package until he said, "No." At the end of the party Rev. Rucker and Mrs. Lilly Bagwell were in possession of the packages. Gifts were exchanged by means of a dart game. Christmas music was played during the evening.

Refreshments were served from a beautifully appointed table. Individual cakes had been frosted to represent Santa's face and these were served with punch or coffee. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Darby, Mrs. Frankye Darby Echols, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rigsby, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whaley, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Chandler, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Tucker, Rev. and Mrs. Rucker, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Richburg, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Hutchins, J. A. Ballard, and Mesdames Lillie Bagwell, Sam Cooper, Ed Leary, Nell Curtis, Iva Wright, Joe Eddins and Henry Spradlin and Alice Eddins.

Sheldon Anisman Passes State Bar To Practice Law

Sheldon Anisman, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Anisman, was among the 73 University of Texas Law School graduates and students who passed the Texas bar examination recently, which gives them the right to practice law in the state.

Anisman is a graduate of the local high school. At present he is serving with the armed forces, but will continue in the field of law after his release.

During one session of Congress 46,000 bills and resolutions were introduced.

Going-Away Supper Held in Parnell For Johnson Family

The Parnell Club and Parnell community united to give Mr. and Mrs. Slick Johnson and Winnie a going-away supper Dec. 11 at the Parnell Club House.

The club presented them with a beautiful white chenille bedspread and the community presented them with an electric fry pan.

The Johnsons are moving to Canyon due to ill health.

Those enjoying the bountiful supper were Mr. and Mrs. Weldon

Couch; Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hutcherson; Mr. and Mrs. Abe Freeze and Ross; Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Weatherly, Candy, Mickey, and Barry; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hill; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hawkins, Debbie and Kenny Joe; Jerry Johnson; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Burks and Vickie; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Burks, Terry and Kathy; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cope and Tom; Mr. and Mrs. Erie Trapp; Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Damron and Jackie; Mr. and Mrs. Crump Ferrel and Don; Mr. and Mrs. Zach Hood and Carolyn; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lathram, Connie and Pam; Mrs. Etta Canada; Andy Waldons, Mrs. Maudie Billingsley of Memphis; Mr. and Mrs.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Greetings to friends of other years

In Ellis County, Texas, two friends formerly of Memphis, and Hall County, are thinking of some very rich experiences and observations we had and enjoyed during our ministry in Memphis. A mental picture stands out before me this lovely morning of the entire town of Memphis, its churches, schools, stores, offices, the historic Court building, the many lovely homes, but best of all the people in Memphis, and surrounding communities.

Once in a great while comes this way from Memphis reminding us of the many holy worship there in our terian and other church to school during certain worship. It is true we even today, but we have a few moments of "Time" with you, and you Really I could call family of many of the dear neighbors, but in doing might forget for the some one, and we don't do that. Memory however soo many historic inspirations we sang together in services. What is more in life than the ministry? Just the other day I was to a friend in another church building here, over songs for the Sunday service. Really the organ helped me to into that letter.

Our love, our prayers with this little letter to friends in Memphis. Thank your friendship.

Your friends,
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to wish you a joyous and happy

CHRISTMAS

Auction Sales Will Not Be Held During Holiday Season

Hall County Commission Co.
 Sales to Resume Thurs., Jan. 2, at 1 P. M.

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"Daddy says we'll be on the Zephyr"

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Salisbury Club Families Enjoy Christmas Social

The families of the Salisbury Club enjoyed a Christmas dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ira McQueen. The dinner was a delicious affair with a variety of meats and vegetables. The room was decorated with Christmas trees and lights. The evening was a most enjoyable one for all present.

Fidelis Class Meets In Roden Home

The Fidelis Class of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Billy Roden on Dec. 12. The Christmas dinner that was to have been held was postponed indefinitely, in favor of a Valentine Sweetheart Banquet. It was reported that the class teacher, Mrs. R. D. Jones, who had undergone a throat operation, was recovering nicely.

Members present were Mmes. Glenna Rae Posey, Bobbie Collins, Barbara Hemelstrand, and the hostess, Mrs. Roden.

The date of the next meeting in Jan. 9. Visitors recently in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Blackie Glosson were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cristal and Karen of Masterson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Nelson, Mrs. Mrs. Lillie Mae Stevens and Herschel and Linda, all of Pampa, and Mr. and Mrs. U. W. Coldiron of Memphis visited Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Nelson.

THE BAFFLES By Mahoney



Estelline FFA Entertains FHA Chapter Monday

The members of the Estelline Chapter of F. F. A. entertained members of the Estelline Chapter of F. H. A. with a party in the Cub Banquet Hall on the evening of Dec. 9.

Party games and a treasure hunt furnished the entertainment. Refreshments of cookies and punch were served. Approximately thirty-five attended. T. H. Seay and Miss Agnes Nelson were sponsors.

Tad Nelson of Albuquerque, N. M., visited last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Nelson.

Estelline OES Enjoys Christmas Party Thursday

The Estelline Eastern Star enjoyed a Christmas party after the regular meeting on Thursday evening, December 12, in the Estelline Masonic Hall.

Mrs. Carl Hill, Worthy Matron, conducted a short business meeting. Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Seay were initiated into the Estelline Chapter, with Mr. Barney Russell giving the lecture.

The party was held in the foyer to the hall. The gold and green tree was lighted gaily and gifts were placed around it. Mrs. Leonard Braidfoot welcomed those present. Mrs. E. F. Kennedy read "Let's Keep Christmas" by Peter Marshall. The group sang "Silent Night." Mrs. M. E. Chandler asked the invocation. The refreshment table was centered with a stack of large snowballs, made of white popped corn. On the plates were dainty sandwiches, pickles, potato chips, chocolate chip cookies, and coffee or chocolate.

The only guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Scott of Memphis. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Barney Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Braidfoot, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Stilton Crain, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Cobb, and Mesdames Lillie Bagwell, Sam Cooper,

Truman Mabry, Lula Huffmaster, and E. F. Kennedy. The refreshment committee were Mrs. Kennedy, Mrs. Braidfoot, and Mrs. Jackson.

Boyd Dickson and family of DeQueen, Ark. spent last weekend visiting with his mother, Mrs. Anna H. Dickson. Boyd's son, who is serving with the Navy in Califor-

nia, joined the family here and returned home with them.

Most of the world's iodine supply comes from caliche in Chili.

Wishing you the best of all your desires and a Happiness this Christmas that will continue throughout the coming year.

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Greetings

Joy rings out at this Yuletide season, and we want to send you a sincere note of appreciation for your valued friendship and your good will. Frequently, in the rush of business, we often fail to express our gratefulness to you, who make our progress possible. So thank you for all favors, and a most Merry Christmas

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THE Christmas STORY

Now it came to pass in those days, that a decree went forth from Caesar Augustus that a census of the whole world should be taken. This first census took place while Cyrenus was governor of Syria. And all were going, each to his own town, to register.

And Joseph also went from Galilee out of the town of Nazareth into Judea to the town of David, which is called Bethlehem, being of the family and house of David, to register together with Mary his espoused wife who was with child.

And it came to pass while they were there, that the days for her to be delivered were fulfilled. And she brought forth her firstborn son, wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were shepherds in the same district living in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood by them and the glory of God shone about them and they feared exceedingly.

And the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which shall be to all the people, for today, in the town of David, a Savior has been born to you who is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign to you; you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace among men of good will."

And it came to pass when the angels had departed from them into heaven, that the shepherds were saying to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has come to pass which the Lord has made known to us."

So they went with haste, and they found Mary and Joseph and the babe lying in the manger. And when they had seen, they understood what had been told them concerning this child. And all who heard marvelled at the things told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept in mind all these things, pondering them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all that they had heard and seen, even as it was spoken to them.

ACCORDING TO SAINT LUKE 2:1-20

We hope you will pause to read this old, old story because this is the true meaning of Christmas.

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Around and About
by Helen Combs

Once again the holiday season draws near . . . and it's wonderful each morning to come to the office to find a stack of mail—mostly Christmas cards. It's always an added pleasure to find a scribbled note inside, perhaps from a friend whom we haven't heard from since last Christmas.

It's good to pause momentarily and realize just how much friendship means . . . that it is the simple things of life that bring us the most pleasure.

Today we were pleased to learn that in a small way we had helped to bring happiness to an elderly gentleman, W. E. Murdock, who is now living in a rest home in Amarillo. A short time ago we mentioned in our column that he would enjoy receiving cards on his 37th birthday anniversary . . . and many persons responded by showering him with cards. Mrs. John Smith, his daughter, told us how very happy her father was with the many cards which now line his room . . . and that they came from as far away as California. One former Memphian, now living in Amarillo, took time out to call on Mr. Murdock that day.

Busy as the holiday season may be, with added parties and festivities, we find there are many citizens who still take time out at this season to share in their own individual way their pleasures with others.

A time for families to be together, we wonder how many of you can equal the record of Mrs. E. H. Stanford, who, last Sunday, cooked and served her 60th annual Christmas dinner. Then, in the afternoon she held open house for all her many friends. We certainly enjoyed calling at her home, and marveled that she could serve 31 relatives at the noon hour—and have plenty of cake and coffee left for more than 100 guests in the afternoon. The marvel: Mrs. Stanford prepared all the food herself!

Congratulations to Shelton Anzaman who recently passed the Texas bar examination which gives him the right to practice law in the state. At the present, Shelton is serving with the armed forces, but plans to practice law when his tour of duty is over.

New Faces About Town: Mrs. Mildred Mothershed, who is now employed as an operator at The Vogue Beauty Salon. Mildred is not new to this profession having operated a shop here several years ago. Then, at Whitley's Beauty Shop is Glenna Maddox. Glenna is fresh out of beauty school, having completed her course in Amarillo Nov. 23.

Among early holiday visitors are Mrs. Sam F. Whiteside (the former Gloria Howard) and new son, Forrest Howard, who is about two months old. The Whitesides are from Fort Worth and are visiting her with Glorita's mother, Mrs. A. W. Howard, this week. Numerous friends have called at the Howard home to see the new arrival on his first visit here.

The Sanctuary Choir of the First Baptist Church will present a Christmas Cantata Sunday evening. R. D. Jones, director, said the choir has done much work trying to make this cantata possible, and he has extended an invitation to the public to attend. The Assembly of God Church is also planning a Christmas program for Sunday evening.

Plans are in the making to finish printing next week's issue of The Democrat on Tuesday of next week. Early Wednesday morning the Combs clan (including two sons and their wives, the granddaughter, and the husband and I) will drive to Fort Worth to spend Christmas in the home of our daughter, Pat, and her



MISS ROBIN HOOD . . . Georgian Hammon, 19, of Phoenix, Ariz., lends a bit of beauty to Sun Valley Bow Hunters tournaments held in Phoenix throughout winter months.

Mrs. E. H. Stanford Has Dinner And Open House Sun.

Mrs. E. H. Stanford entertained her family with the 60th annual Christmas dinner on Sunday at her home, 503 North 14th St., and in the afternoon held open house for her many friends. More than 100 guests registered during the day.

Decorations throughout the home were in keeping with the holiday season. At the noon hour a turkey dinner with all the trimmings was served to approximately 30 relatives.

From 2 until 5 o'clock open house was held. Christmas cake, nuts and coffee were served from a table laid with a lace cloth.

Relatives here for the occasion were Mrs. Helen McMurry, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Thomason, Mr. and Mrs. Monty Thomas and children, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Thomason and children and Mrs. L. W. Thomason, all of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Ruyle and son William Hall and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Gerlach and children of Caddo, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Shelton and son Stan of Ash-tola, Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Gerlach, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Stanford, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan McElreath and hostess, Mrs. Stanford.

School Officials Attend Clarendon Meeting Thursday

Seven school officials from Hall County attended a six-county meeting in Clarendon last Thursday where they heard Dr. H. C. Cook of Canyon, head of the West Texas State College mathematics department, discuss the needs of high school students.

This was the second meeting of the year for the six-county group. Approximately 25 persons were in attendance.

Those from Hall County included Superintendents W. C. Davis of Memphis, O. K. Edmondson of Turkey, and JoEd Cupell of Estelline; Principal Smith Reese of Turkey; Mrs. Jerrald Rapp, Estelline seventh grade instructor; Miss Bonnie Willis, county supervisor; and County Superintendent Mary Foreman.

family. This will be the first time in three years our family has all been together, and it will be a happy occasion . . . especially with two granddaughters on the scene.

May each of you have a Merry Christmas . . . and a happy and prosperous New Year.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl three years old. Please bring me a doll with clothes, some nuts, candy and fruit. Don't forget all the other little girls and boys.
Love,
Melissa Jane Jones
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 10 years old. I would like a flash bulb camera, and some clothes for Christmas. Don't forget the other children because they love you, too.
Your little friend,
Jane Helm

Memphis, Tex.
Dear Santa,
We are a little boy 4 and a little girl 2 years old. We would like for you to bring us a radar set and a baby doll. Please fill our stockings by the fireplace. Remember our little cousins and friends.
Love,
Randal and Jill Hunt

DEAR SANTA,
I am a little boy and will be six years old Christmas Day. Please bring me a big truck with a van, some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget all the other little boys and girls.
Love,
Ottie Ray Jones

Acres originally meant the amount of land one man could plough in a day.



YOUR Social Security

On an average day there are about 2,000,000 people who have been kept from gainful employment for more than six months because of illness or injury. When the disability is of a permanent or long-lasting nature John R. Sanderson, district manager of the Amarillo Social Security Office, urged that prompt action be taken to protect the person's social security rights.

A disabled worker cannot receive monthly disability payments until he reaches age 50. However, Sanderson said, the right to payments at age 50, or at retirement age may be lost if the worker fails to act. By filing an application to "freeze" his earnings record, he protects not only his own rights but those of his dependents should he die. The amount to be paid when he reaches age 50 will be figured only on his working years if his record is frozen. This assures payment of the highest amount possible based on his earnings record.

To qualify for the "freeze" the disabled person must have worked or been in business for himself under social security for at least 5 years out of the 10 years before he became disabled. Also, he must have worked at least 1 and a half years in the 3-year period he was forced to stop working. Disability must have lasted six months but may be temporary, according to Sanderson, as long as it can be established by medical evidence and to continue for an indefinite period.

A free pamphlet, which explains the disabilities which may be obtainable to the Social Security Administration.



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



The true joy and happiness of the Christmas season is found in the spirit of sharing that brings a family together. This is the same spirit that unites a community and makes it a better, friendlier place to live. We, the people who edit and publish your home-town newspaper, consider it a privilege to join with our friends and neighbors in furthering our common goals and interests. We take pleasure in wishing you yours every blessing of the Holy season—and hope that the new year will bring everyone an even greater measure of

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Tax Man — SAM SEZ

Don't worry about income tax they owe you too late to do something about it. Cash basis farmers, and even individuals, should plan their business during this year or the other hand, to take advantage of this year's expense for this tax year. Since most taxpayers on a cash basis, it may pay very much to pay the tax a lot more for the rest of the year than you ordinarily pay to itemize your tax for the year. On the other hand, you may want to pay your tax in January 1 and get a preacher enough to get next year since you will afford a tax contribution next year than this one. It is certainly thinking about from not the preacher angle, the income and expense study of your tax income may be advisable.

Students Are on Honor at Estelline

Honor roll for Estelline released this week by the principal of the school. The students were Ned Sweatt, Carolyn Hoover, Larry Braidfoot, and Rebecca Moore; Gerry Kennedy and Wood. Brazil and Chili are the A. B. C. Powers.

Army Enlistees Can Remain Home Through Holidays

A liberal leave policy announced by the U. S. Army will permit young men to enlist in the Regular Army in the month of December and remain at home for the holidays.

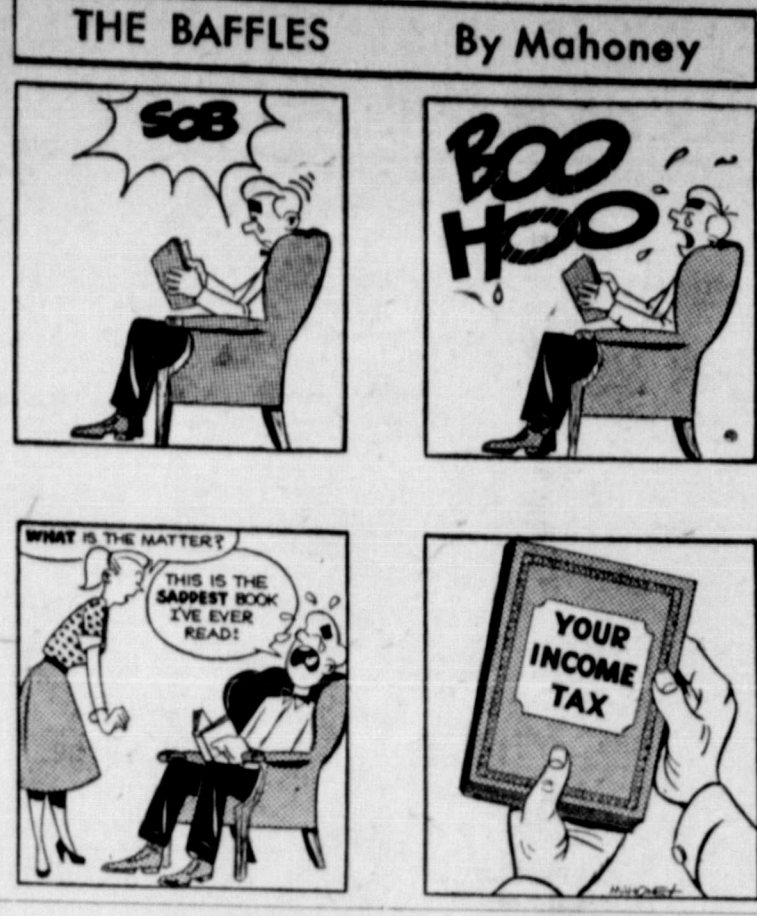
The men enlisting after December 16 may request a delay in reporting to their basic training post, the delay not to exceed 15 days. This leave time permits enlistees to remain at home through the holiday season. Leave may not extend beyond January 6.

Information on the enlistment options that may be selected, and on the Army's holiday leave policy for new enlistees may be obtained from SFC James E. Sides at the U. S. Army Recruiting Station, 212 East 7th Ave., Amarillo, Tex. or in Memphis each Tuesday afternoon.

Lubbock Veterans Office Is Seeking Lawyer Applicants

The Lubbock Office of the Veterans Administration is endeavoring to obtain applications from attorneys interested in government service. Two position vacancies will occur shortly after January 1, 1958. These are Trial Attorney (General), GS-9, \$5440 per annum. The duties are primarily of investigative nature and involve some travel throughout the area served by the Lubbock VA Regional Office.

Interested applicants can obtain applications for Federal Employment from any first or second class post office and after completing these forms, they should be filed with the Personnel Office of the Lubbock VA Regional Office, 1612 19th Street, Lubbock, Texas. Additional information can be obtained by contacting the Personnel Officer at the same address.



Some Gifts Taxable

Although it may come as a surprise to some people, the federal government levies a tax which applies to gifts made by one person to another. However the government has no desire to tax ordinary birthday and Christmas gifts. The law therefore excludes from taxable gifts the first \$3,000 given to each individual in each calendar year.

The law also excludes from taxable gifts, gifts to the church, community chest, and similar charitable organizations, and allows each giver an exemption of \$30,000—before the tax applies.

The tax applies whether the gift is of money or of property. If it is of property, the tax is computed on the fair market value of the property at the date of the gift.

The purpose of many gifts is to remove the property from the taxable estate of the giver at the time of his death. This may or may not be accomplished. The federal law provides that transfers made within three years before date of death shall be deemed to have been made in contemplation of death and shall be taxable in the estate of the one who dies.

It may be advisable to "look a gift horse in the mouth" for the gift may cost the one who receives

the gift in income taxes as well as the giver in gift taxes.

For income tax purposes the cost basis of property received by gift is the cost to the giver regardless of the fact that the giver may have paid a gift tax on the gift. The other rule is that in case of property received by inheritance, the cost basis is the fair market value at the date of the decedent's death.

An example will show the application of the rules. Suppose a farmer acquired his land in the early days at a cost of \$10,000. This property is now worth \$50,000. The farmer wishes to retire and to escape estate taxes, so he gives the farm to his daughter.

Although he may pay federal gift taxes totaling several thousand dollars, when the daughter decides to sell the farm for its \$50,000 value, she still has to pay income tax on \$40,000 profit (difference between the sales price and her father's cost of \$10,000.)

On the other hand, if the farmer had not given the farm to the daughter, but had left it to her under his will, he would have saved the gift tax. The daughter would have taken the property at a cost of \$50,000, so upon the sale she would not have had to pay any income tax.

Of course, there would have been some estate taxes and administration expenses in the father's estate, but that would have been much less than the taxes which resulted from the gift. However, depending upon individual and particular circumstances, there may be occasions when a gift is advisable. A lawyer should be consulted on this matter.

Federal Hill, Ky., was inspiration for Stephen Foster's song, "My Old Kentucky Home."

Calvin L. Todd Promoted to Rank Of Pfc. in Marines

Marine Pfc. Calvin L. Todd, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Todd of 618 Fifth St., was promoted to the present rank Nov. 5, while serving with the Marine Barracks at the Lake Mead Base, Las Vegas, Nev.

Todd was a 1956 graduate of Memphis High School.

Positions Open For Proofreaders With Civil Service

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Beautiful lawns just don't happen—they are the products of considerable time and effort, says E. M. Trew, extension agronomist. The use of adapted grasses, good soil and drainage, proper watering, fertilization and mowing are a few of the considerations which go to make a highly desirable lawn.

Local county agents can supply material on lawn management. Ask for Extension Bulletin 203, "Home Lawns."

Percentage of accidental deaths in the U. S. has gone slowly downward since 1913 when the National Safety Council was formed.

Vernice Waddell Becomes Graduate In Army Course

Pvt. Vernice C. Waddell, Jr., whose parents live on Route 1, Hedley, recently was graduated from the 12-week radio operators course at Fort Dix, N. J.

Waddell entered the Army last June and received basic training at Fort Dix, N. J.

The 20-year-old soldier is a 1955 graduate of Hedley High School and is a 1957 graduate of Clarendon Junior College.

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POWDER, all kinds, lg. 33c; giant 78c	
LET PAPER, Scot Tissue, 2 rolls 25c	
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MINUM FOIL, roll 29c	
EXEX, 200 size 16c; 400 size 29c	
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FRUIT JUICE, W. S., 46 oz. can 27c	
CHILI, sm. can 34c; No. 2 cans 59c	
FISH, solid pack, can 37c	
ACH, HD or DM, can 15c	
NY, WS, can 9c	
Whole GREEN BEANS, can 27c	
CHES, HD, med. can 23c; lg. cans 32c	
IT COCKTAIL, HD, med. can 25c; lg. cans 39c	
NS, HD, med. can 27c; lg. can 41c	
KIN, Kuners, med. can 12c; lg. can 20c	
NS, No. 1 Idaho Russets, 10 lb. bag 53c	
ROOTS, celo bag, each 12c	
BERRIES, fresh stock, 1 lb. celo bag 25c	
ERY, Green Pascal, stalk 15c	
RS, lg. Sunkist, doz. 34c	
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Editorial

YES, VIRGINIA— There Is a Santa!

Once upon a time a little girl named Virginia wrote this letter to the New York Sun:

Dear Editor—I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says "If you see it in The Sun it's so." Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?

Virginia O'Hanlon,
115 West 95th Street."

In answer to that letter, Frances P. Church penned an editorial which was to become a beloved classic in American Christmas annals. This is what he wrote:

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours a man is a mere insect, an ant, in this intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give your life its brightest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no romance, to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus? You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get you papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that are neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest men that ever lived could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view the picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus! Think God he lives, and lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousands years from now, he will continue to make glad the hearts of childhood."

Communism Still Problem

Christ's warning of nearly 2,000 years ago—"Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves"—is cited by FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover in an article appearing in the American Legion magazine for November. He applies it to communism. For communism, he writes, despite the efforts of leaders to put on smiling new faces has not weakened and its philosophy has not changed, nor has the dangers from it lessened. In his words: "... the same old communist crowd is doing business at the same old communist stand in the same old subversive way!"

Actually, according to qualified spokesmen, the Communist Party, U. S. A., "is exulting that it has received a new lease on life." And it is intensifying its work in certain extremely significant directions. For another, it is seeking appeal to young people and to influence them through concealed members in church and civic organizations. Minority groups are also a prime target, and communists are experts at exploiting and warping legitimate and honest grievances. Then, the purposeful hand of communism is turned to protesting against the continued testing of nuclear weapons and other such strategic matters.

As Mr. Hoover, out of his long and intimate experience with this danger puts it: "Division and disunity are communist weapons ... It pits race against race, worker against manager, and group against group. It muddies the waters of peace while shouting 'Coexistence!'"

The personalities of communism change. We now see, for instance, Krushchev in place of Stalin. But, as we have also seen, those who oppose Krushchev are purged just as surely as were those of Stalin. It is Mr. Hoover's point that "The tactics of communism do not change! Hypocrisy, guile, deceit, and subversion are the hallmarks of communism today as they were yesterday. Here in America every walk of life has been infiltrated by the fanged salesmen of subversion cloaked in the lamb's wool of glowing promise."

Then he propounds a question: "What ... shall we do to insure that Americans will never eat the bitter fruit which is the dreadful lot of more than one-third of the peoples of the world?" His answer is this: "Learn what communism is and make ourselves aware of the tactics used by those who promote communism."

Communism is purely materialistic in its explanation of the relationship of man to the universe and in its interpretation of history. It wishes to abolish all religions and the economic system we know as free enterprise. Its code of action is based not on morals but on utility. It reasons that the end always justifies the means. Its goal is worldwide revolution culminating in a worldwide communist society. And its end result, to quote Mr. Hoover once again: "... is the reduction of man from a spiritual creature to the level of high-grade animal whose sole reason for being is to copulate and die."

WELCOME CHEER FROM OUR SPACE SHIP



Press Paragraphs— QUOTING OUR NEIGHBORS

Turkey Leader
 Area Democrats lost two stewarts in the untimely deaths of Cole Boswell of Turkey and Editor Norman Wright of the Ranger Times.

Boswell, who with his wife was killed in an automobile accident Saturday night, was "Mr. Democrat" in Hall county. Few people in Texas did more for Ralph Yarborough in his campaigns for public office.

Boswell, a smalltown insurance man, was a Yarborough supporter and a loyal Democrat. It was his type that financed Yarborough's campaigns. Always operating on a shoestring, when Yarborough found himself in a financial pinch and had to call for help, he called on men like Cole Boswell. We have called on Boswell when we had the responsibility of raising a little money for Yarborough. He always did more than his part.

It was fitting that Yarborough attended the double funeral, serving as a pallbearer.

Boswell was typical of those who militantly protested the utter disregard for honesty and integrity which characterized the Democratic convention at Ft. Worth a year ago last September. He was one of the "boozers" when the state machine stole the convention than sent little Price out to smooth things over.

Yarborough could never have been elected without the support of men like Cole Boswell—just plain, middle class, smalltown and rural people. He and his school teacher wife were typical Yarborough supporters, typical loyal Democrats.

That is why we see red when daily papers with utter disregard for the truth tell their millions of readers that Yarborough was financed and elected by Walter Reuther and organized labor, pinkos, radicals, Negroes, and the like.

That is why we see red when we read in these same papers that it was only organized labor and radicals who "boomed" and created the commotion at the Fort Worth convention after the Shivers-Daniel gang showed their contempt for honesty and fair play.

—Tulia Herald

Make Cotton Competitive
 Most everybody in the know regards cotton seems to think that the cotton industry needs to move

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fast to make American cotton competitive with the synthetics and cotton from other countries, so as to save the markets and not lay up the cotton raising industry in this country. How to do this and arrange some kind of compensatory payments to keep from breaking the farmers while the change is being made, is the big problem. George W. Pfeffenberger, of Plains Cotton Growers, says the final outcome of any action in the congress is in doubt. A split in the farm block over other commodities has the whole agricultural program stalemated for the present. He fears no other legislation will be forthcoming this year. Just back from Washington he says the situation is not completely hopeless, but leaves the impression it is almost.

The USDA opposes all new farm legislation except its own plan, which is to give the secretary full authority to set support prices anywhere between 0 and 90 per

cent of parity, or at least between 60 and 90 per cent, and without any increase in acreage. This information comes from the Plains Cotton Grower executive, Mr. Benson doesn't see eye to eye with most of us. —Floyd County Hesperian

Christmas Quiz

1. What was the famous deed George Washington performed on Christmas Day?
 2. When did Santa's sleigh first make its appearance?
 3. Where did the real Saint Nicholas live?
 4. Legend has it that the crown of thorn was plaited from which Christmas plant?
 5. What was the message inscribed on the first Christmas cards sent by Henry Cole?
 7. In Norse mythology, who killed whom with a mistletoe arrow?
 8. For how long has Christmas been observed on December 25th?
 9. Where did the Yule Seal idea originate?
 10. Who was Joel R. Poinsett?
- ANSWERS:
 1. Crossing the Delaware. 2. In

Memories Turning Back Time

From The Democrat Files

40 YEARS AGO
 December 20, 1917
 Causes Of Army Sickness: Over-Crowding, insufficient clothing and bad sanitary conditions are blamed in reports of Surgeon General Gorgas made public today for epidemics of diseases at Camp Bowie, Texas; Camp Funston, Kansas; Camp Doniphan, Oklahoma and Camp Sevier, South Carolina ... Pure Early Mebane Planting Seed: We have enroute from Lockhart, Texas, 1000 bushels of the finest Early Mebane Triumph cotton seed that we could find in Texas. The cotton from these seed made from 38 to 43 per cent line this year. Farmers Union Supply Co., Jno. Bishop, Mgr. ... Dr. F. B. Erwin, Graduate, Licensed Veterinarian Inter-State Inspector—Office Rushing - Tomlinson Drug. Co.

30 YEARS AGO
 December 22, 1927
 W. D. Orr Signally Honored By Photographers of America: A photographer whose work is recognized as the apex of quality throughout a wide section of the Panhandle has been signally honored by the Photographers' Association of America. He is Wiley DeWitt Orr of Memphis. Out of 10,000 photographs in this country 140 have been chosen by the association as artists of extraordinary ability. Mr. Orr is one of the 140 ... Remodeling Residence: C. W. Beome is having his home houth of town remodeled, changing the partitions, adding a bedroom, and putting down hardwood floors. He recently had city water and gas piped to the place. The building will be stuccoed and will be modern in every respect with all city conveniences.

20 YEARS AGO
 December 17, 1937
 Shopping District Sparkles With Lights: Myriads of multi-colored electric lights strung around the Clement Moore's famous poem, "The Visit From St. Nicholas." 3. Saint Nicholas was the Bishop of Myra, in Turkey. 4. From the holy plant. 5. "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you." 6. Christ Child. 7. Loki killed Balder, the sun god, after Balder's mother had obtained a promise from all living things, other than the mistletoe that they would not harm him. 8. Since 354 AD. 9. In Denmark, the idea of Einar Holboell, a postal clerk. 10. An American statesman, Ambassador to Mexico, for whom the poinsettia plant is named.

—Childress Reporter

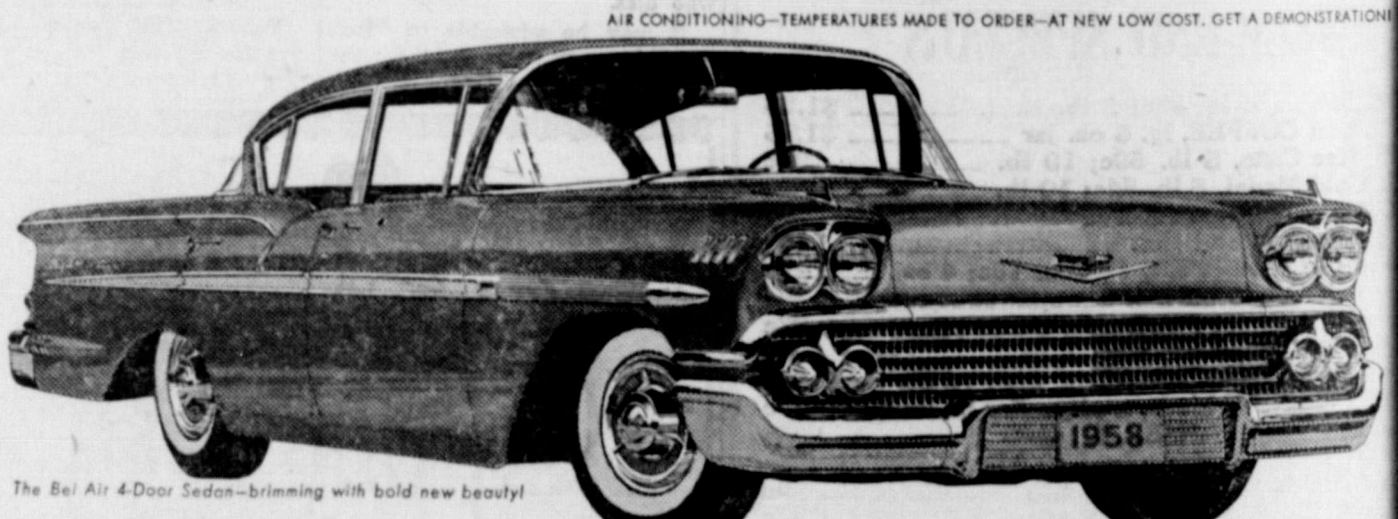
10 YEARS AGO
 December 25, 1947
 Small Fire at Store: The fire department called to the army store Street Friday afternoon 5:15 o'clock where a caught fire. The door setting the door ... Miss Elected Director ExState Texas College, Miss Man has been notified has been re-elected of the ex-students association West Texas State College ... Mr. and Mrs. J. pedge are spending the in Abilene and Colorado Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mother girls of Wichita Falls day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Mo

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Student Council Meeting
Brownfield

Members of the Memphis Student Council at the annual meeting of the Association of Student Councils in Brownfield on Wednesday.

Attending were David Binkley, president; Linda Leslie, secretary; Virginia Chappell, president for 1958-1959; Swayne Mitchell; Teddie Perry; Wright; Miss Ne... sponsor.

The group was addressed by Dr. James T. West Texas State College. His address followed the theme for the day which was "Not Say Go; Go Th...".

... State Executive of the Texas Association of Student Councils also talked at the luncheon in the Brown-

field High School cafeteria, the councils divided into discussion groups on the subjects of "How Can Public Manners Be Improved Through the Student Council?"; "How and Why Should Student Council Activities Be Evaluated?"; "What Are Some Good Projects the Student Council May Sponsor?"; "How Can the Student Council Formulate a Program Through Which Students Will Be Inspired to Study?"; "How Can the Student Council Develop an Effective Orientation Program for New Students?"; "What Should Be the Qualifications of Student Council Officers and Members?"; "What Are the Standards of a Good Student Council?"; and "What Can a Student Council Do to Encourage the Superior Student to Assume Leadership?";

In the business meeting that was held, the school officers elected for the Association were: Plainview, president; Tahoka, vice-president; Tulia, secretary-treasurer; Colorado City, parliamentarian.

People can have TB in its early stages without knowing it. A chest X-ray can find TB before outward symptoms appear.

THE BAFFLES
 By Mahoney

BURK
 Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Damron and Jake and Mrs. F. E. Trapp were in Amarillo on business Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hutcheson accompanied by Mrs. Paul A. Meacham and Randy Paul of Turkey visited in Amarillo Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Marcum and boys.

Harold Wheeler and Wayland Marcum of Amarillo visited with Mr. and Mrs. Parge Winn and family Sunday.

Mrs. Bob Mothershed visited Saturday in Memphis with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mothershed, Nancy and Sue.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Huckabee of Turkey visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Morehead.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Hawkins and sons of Pomona, Calif., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. C. Latham and family and in Turkey with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hawkins and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Slick Johnson and Winnie spent the weekend in Happy with her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Driskill.

Mrs. Tom Orcutt, Jim, Tom and Judy of Amarillo are visiting this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. C. Latham and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Orcutt.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hutcheson accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hutcheson of Quitaque visited Sunday in Portales, N. M., with Mr. and Mrs. Orvil Washington, Jr., and in Clovis, N. M., with Mr. and Mrs. Darryl Winn.

Hall Co. Heart Association Meets At Legion Hall

The Hall County Heart Association met Dec. 15 at 7:30 p. m. in the American Legion Hall.

Meeting with the local group was Mrs. John N. Thurman of Borger, chairman of the board of

the Northern District of Heart Association. During the meeting, plans were made for the 1958 Heart Fund campaign and a film was shown on rheumatic heart.

Those present were Hubert Dennis, Mills Roberts, Ted Myers, Dr. H. R. Stevenson, Mrs. Myrtle Brown, Mrs. Hulda Wilson and Mrs. Thurman.

ED HILL'S CABINET SHOP

SOCIAL SECURITY

OLD-AGE AND SURVIVORS INSURANCE NEWS

Tardiness sometimes merely inconveniences the one who is late, but there are occasions when being late can be more costly, according to John R. Sanderson, District Manager for the Social Security Administration at Amarillo.

"A late shopper for Christmas gifts can still find something or other even the day after Christmas, and missing a train or a bus doesn't mean there won't be another one along a little later," remarks Sanderson, "but missing the December 31 deadline for filing for disability insurance benefits can mean a real loss, not just an inconvenience."

Effective with January 1, 1958, benefits under the disability insurance provisions of the Social Security Act can start no earlier than for the month in which formal application is filed. Sanderson stated that up through December 31, 1957, a claim for disability insurance benefits can result in back-dating payments to July of 1957. He suggests that all disabled persons aged 50 or over check the following requirements and make every effort to get a claim filed before January 1, 1958:

1. The disability must have started at least six months ago.
2. It must be so severe that substantial gainful activity is impossible.
3. The disabled person must have had five years of social security credits out of the ten years just before becoming disabled, and at least 1 1/2 years of such credits out of the three years before onset of the disability.

The disability must be one that can be medically determined.

The International Date Line is an imaginary north-south line through the middle of the Pacific Ocean.

Academis was the name given to a series of philosophers who taught at the Athenian Academy.

Selling of modern accident insurance in the U. S. did not begin until 1864.

PARNELL
 By LILLIAN M. HUTCHESON

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Burk and Jerry Murphy of Amarillo visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burk and Mr. and Mrs. Gene

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Knight Home Is Scene For Woman's Council Meeting

The Woman's Council of the First Christian Church met in the home of Mrs. Vero Knight with Mrs. E. E. Roberts as co-hostess for the annual Christmas program and to pack a box of useful gifts and clothing to be sent to the Mexican School in Eagle Pass.

Mrs. Tommie Kesterson was leader for the program which was as follows: song "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," by the group; prayer by Mrs. Mable Roberts; story, "What Never Grows Old" by Inez Aspren; scripture reading from the second chapter of Luke by Mrs. Norman; duet, "Silent Night" by Mrs. Faye Maddox and G. C. Sharp; the devotional, "Sermon by Peter Marshal" read by Mrs. Kesterson; "Let's Keep Christmas," a musical, by Mrs. Dick Fowler; a Christmas poem by Joan Sharp; a Christmas Story by Mrs. J. A. Odom; a song, "Christmas" was sung by Vivian Maddox; a poem, "Not Forgotten," by Mrs. Kesterson.

Tasty refreshments were served to: Faye Maddox, Mary Jane Thompson, Tommie Kesterson, Lena Milam, Inez Aspren, Ella Norman, Eva Odom, Dorothy Stargel, Louise Fowler, Lucile Randall, Belle Odom, Mable Roberts, Vero Knight.

Use of "abracadabra" as a "magic" word began in the second century when it was recited to expel fevers, inflammations and agues.

In Nero's time the public slaughter house was one of the most imposing structures in Rome.

Philathea Class Members Enjoy Christmas Party

The Philathea Class of the First Baptist Church were entertained with a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Alvin Massey Tuesday night.

The group enjoyed an inspiring devotional, "Let's Keep Christmas," by Mildred Watts and a Christmas story, "The Three Who Stole," by Martha Lou Moss. Christmas carols and the exchange of gifts made up the social hour. Dainty refreshments were served to the following: Mildred Mothershed, Martha Lou Moss, Ruth Barnes, Lucile Hutchison, Mildred Watts, Inez Patrick, Lois Goffinnett, Estelle DeBerry, Jerline Hill, Pauline Gillispie, Ruby Lee Gentry, Jeanene Johnson, Marilea Miller, Mrs. Byron Baldwin and the hostess, Abbie Massey.

Wilson Home Is Scene of Party For T. E. L. Class

Mrs. Hulda Wilson's home was the scene of a lovely Christmas party held for the T. E. L. Class of the First Baptist Church on Dec. 12.

Assisting in the hostess duties were Mrs. Linnie Cauthen.

Outstanding in the decorations throughout the house was a large Christmas tree trimmed beautifully in red lights and ornaments. Adorning the fireplace were silver decorations, and small angels on white revolving trees.

The dining table was laid with a red cloth. Centering it was a large white sleigh and reindeer filled with red ornaments, and red candles at each end. The buffet carried out the red and white

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HOLIDAY NUT TORTE

- 3 cups Royal pecans
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 6 egg whites
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 6 egg yolks

Chop pecans very fine. Blend with flour, baking powder and salt. Beat egg whites until stiff and until they hold a peak. Gradually add 1/4 cup sugar, beating constantly. Beat egg yolks until thick and lemon-colored; gradually add remaining 1/4 cup sugar, beating constantly. Fold in egg white mixture. Fold in nut mixture. Pour into 2 round 9" layer pans lined with buttered waxed paper. Bake at 350 degrees 30 minutes or until done. Cool on cake racks. Fill with whipped cream and pipe whipped cream garnish on top.

color scheme. Tables for four were laid with white cloths, centered by poinsettias. On each napkin was a red poinsettia favor.

Rev. Fern Miller brought the invocation. Recorded Christmas carols were played throughout the meal.

Mrs. Joe Weathersby, president, opened the program, and Rev. Miller gave the prayer. Mrs. Weathersby read the Christmas scripture for the devotional. Mrs. Theodore Swift brought the story of the shepherds, with the accompaniment of the classic favorite, "Silent Night."

Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Mary Bownds acted as the Santa Claus helpers, and distributed gifts to the members and guests.

Mrs. Frank Ellis closed with a prayer.

Enjoying the affair were Rev. and Mrs. Fern Miller, Mmes. Myrtle Crabb, Lee Thornton, Theodore Swift, J. W. Fitzjarrald, Estelle Barber, Alla Boswell, Mary

Bownds, W. L. Crawford, Frank Ellis, W. E. Hill, Mary Lenoir, J. S. McMurry, Elmer Prater, J. H. Smith, J. S. Spencer, A. T. Scott, J. M. Saunders, Emma Baskerville, Eva Vaughn, and the hostesses, Mmes. Wilson and Cauthen.

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UDC Enjoys Party In DeBerry Home

Members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy met for their annual Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Joe DeBerry on Dec. 11.

The Christmas motif was carried out in the decorations throughout the house. The serving table was laid with a net cloth over red satin. A centerpiece of frosted fruit, forming a wreath around three large candles, graced the table. Small china bells were given as favors. Dainty refreshments were served to the members.

Mrs. Herlie Moreman, president, presided over the business meeting.

The program for the afternoon had as its theme a short verse, "All glory to God on high and on earth be peace. Good will henceforth from heaven to men begin and never cease."

The roll call was answered with a Christmas poem.

Mrs. R. E. Clark gave a very interesting story, and Mrs. DeBerry gave a reading by William Russell Clark.

Mrs. Emma Baskerville played Christmas carols at the piano while all joined in the singing.

Gifts were exchanged from a low table centered with tall decorated foliage in gold and red.

Present were Mmes. T. J. Hampton, Clark, J. H. Norman, Moreman, Glynn Thompson, J. A. Odom, Baskerville, and the hostess, Mrs. DeBerry.

Memphis Students Rank High in Math, Science Enrollment

The per cent of Memphis High School students taking mathematics and science tops the national average, according to a survey made recently by Tom Wyatt, a senior in the school.

The survey was made to find out how Memphis rated as compared with other schools in the

number of students taking the courses, after much national publicity concerning the lag of interest on the part of American students in these studies.

Of the 48 seniors, there are 17 or 35.42 per cent taking some course in science. The percentages of seniors taking the different science courses are: general science, 3.08; biology, 4.16; chemistry, 15.59; physics, 12.5.

Of the 41 juniors, there are 20 or 48.79 per cent taking some course in science. The percentages of juniors in the courses are: biology, 14.37; chemistry, 19.95; physics, 14.37.

Of the 59 sophomores, there are 50 or 89.29 per cent taking some

course in science. The percentages are: biology, 85.75; chemistry, 3.54.

Of the seniors, there are 35 per cent taking some course in mathematics. The percentages are: plane geometry, 16.25; algebra I, 18.75. Of the juniors, 92.68 per cent are taking mathematics courses. The percentages are: plane geometry, 90.24; algebra I, 2.44. Out of the more class, there are 30 per cent taking different courses in mathematics, as follows: algebra I, 46.21; algebra II, the freshman class, 100 per cent are taking mathematics in courses of: general mathematics, algebra I, 54.4.

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 I would like for you to bring me a football, roller skates and a new gun. I would also like to have some games and fruits, candy and nuts.
 Love,
 George Porter

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 I have been a good boy part of the time. I would like a gun, doctor's set, building logs, some games and candy and nuts.
 Love,
 Kenneth Bob Porter

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 I am a little girl 4 years old. I would like for you to bring me a baby doll and a bottle set. I have a little sister who is 2 years old, and she also wants a doll and a bottle set. Don't forget the candy, fruit and nuts.
 Love,
 Darlene and Sherry Proffitt

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 I would like for you to bring me a bicycle, a few records, a dump truck. Please don't forget all the other things.
 Love,
 Marsha Lynn Helm

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 I would like for you to bring me a wood burning set, a gun and holsters, and a vest with my guns, and spurs.
 Love,
 Vicky D. Parks

HALF-PAST TEEN



"WHICH ONE HAS THE MOST GAS IN THE TANK?"

Texas City, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 I am a little boy 4 years old and I have been very good. I would like a doctor kit and a little football. Please bring my brother and I some Lincoln Logs together. I need some new clothes to wear to Sunday School because I am getting too big for everything I have now.
 Love,
 Mike Morris

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 We are two little boys 5 and 1 1/2, and think we've been pretty good this year.
 For Christmas we would like to have a tricycle, wagon, Lone Ranger rifle, bow and arrow set, some little cars, blocks, house-shoes, and a basketball. Also some fruit and candy.
 Please remember all the other boys and girls.
 Thank you,
 John and Michael Hansard

Quail, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 Would you please bring me an electric train and a football and a pair of house shoes?
 Your friend,
 Jerrell Fielding

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 We are four and two years old. We have been good boys this year. We want a car we can ride in and some new guns.
 Don't forget our baby brother Steven.
 Love,
 Darryl and Neil Hemelstrand

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus,
 I would like a Madam Alexander ballerina and a doctor kit. I would like for you to bring my brother who is 15 a knife with four blades.
 Love,
 Lucheryl Tucker

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 I am a girl four years old. I have not decided just what I want for Christmas. I would like for you to bring me a boy doll so he can be a big brother for my girl dolls.
 Anything else you bring will be just fine. Don't forget my big sister, Pamela, and all the other boys and girls.
 I will be spending Christmas in Dallas with my grandmother Gilmore so be sure to look for me there.
 Your little friend,
 Mitzie Lindsey

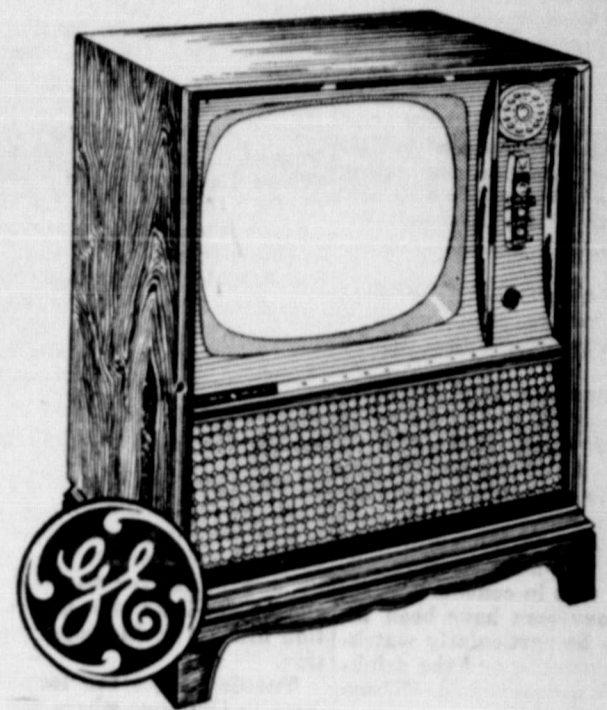
Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 I am a good little girl. I help my mother take care of my little sister Susan, and run errands for her every day. Will you please bring me a Tiny Tears Baby, a

piano and some doll dishes. You'll find my stocking hanging next to Jo Ed's. Fill it with anything you have, I like chewing gum and candy.
 With love,
 Carol Jean Godfrey

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Welcher visited in Plainview Sunday with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Welcher.
 Washington Irving, creator of Rip Van Winkle, was at one time U. S. minister to Spain.

ATTENTION

Christmas
 Holiday Tourists
 •
 Holy Masses
 at
 Holy Angel Church
 Childress
 Christmas Midnight Mass
 New Year's Mass 7 p. m.
 •
 St. Mary's Chapel Shrine
 Clarendon
 Christmas Mass 9 A. M.
 New Year's Mass 6:30 P. M.



For Christmas . . .

Give the Family a
NEW 1958
 General Electric Slim Silhouette Styling
 T. V. Set
 With Ultra Vision and Triple Speaker
 It will pay you to compare!
Raymond Ballew
 The House of Quality

To wish you a
 Happy
 Holiday
 Season

"THE ARONOFSKYS"
 David Judd
 Donald
 Trigger

We cherish the Happiness our old and new friends have given us over the years — and at this joyous and heartwarming season give you our sincerest wishes for Christmas Joy.

Eddie Foxhall
 Don Carmen
 Billy Stone

Harold Moore
 Harvey Melton

Charlie May
 Dutch Wheeler
 W. L. Williams

Foxhall Motor Co.
 Your Authorized Ford Dealer

Newlin, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 I am a little five-year old boy. I want a Wyatt Earp suit, a farm set, a tent and a little fire truck and please do not forget my little nephew, Randy.
 Your friend,
 Gary Morrison

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus,
 I'm a little girl five years old. I go to kindergarten this year. Please, bring me a baby doll, doll clothes, doll trunk, skates, and a stuffed animal. Don't forget my little sister, Dana, who is seven months old.
 I love you,
 Fleta Gay Coldiron

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 I have tried to be a good boy, but sometimes that isn't easy because I have two little sisters to tease. Please bring me two guns with black handles, a typewriter, a cowboy telephone and Carol, Susan and I would like a big red wagon. You'll find my stocking hanging by the Christmas tree, please fill it with candy, nuts and fruit. Don't forget all my little cousins.
 Your friend,
 Jo Ed Godfrey

The good will and patronage of our many friends are worthy indeed of our sincerest best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

Allie's
 Beauty Shop

Merry
 Christmas

It is a sincere pleasure to remember our friends at Christmas with a few words of greetings and good wishes. We are hoping your Christmas will be a happy, successful occasion, long to be remembered.

and best wishes for
 a Happy Holiday Season

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 GROVER RODEN
 Manager
 MRS. WANDA WEBSTER
 Secretary
 PHAETON ALEXANDER
 Ginner

Highway Patrol Begins Drive To Cut Traffic Deaths

Major R. A. Crowder, commander of Region No. 5 of the Texas Department of Public Safety, warned motorists this week that every man with the region will be on duty Dec. 21 through Jan. 1 in an attempt to hold to a minimum the slaughter on Texas highways during the holiday period.

All days off have been canceled and in addition license and weight patrolmen, motor vehicle inspection patrolmen and other personnel will be used to augment the strength of the Highway Patrol in doing traffic control work.

"An all-out effort is being conducted to reduce some of these terrible tragedies," the major said. The department has estimated that 113 persons will be killed in Texas in traffic accidents during this period.

"In addition to the extra long hours, we will have every available radar unit in constant operation, and our men have been instructed to be particularly watchful for the speeder and the drinking driver," Crowder said.

"These two violations are our major accident causes, and we must eliminate them before we can reduce our accidents. We earnestly hope that every citizen will co-operate in this program and help us to back the attack against traffic accidents.

"If the public will use common sense and good judgement, and comply to the strict adherence of our traffic laws, the possibility of accidents would be reduced," he said.

Last year 85 per cent of all rural fatal accidents involved a traffic violation.

Janet Clemons -

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Linda Rea, Raymond Ballew, Studebaker and Appliances; Georgia Saied, Dunbar & Dunbar.

Linda Saye, Alamo Service Station; Barbara Simpson, Kesterson Insurance Agency; Walter Smith, Potts Chevrolet Co.; Kay Stilwell, Memphis Farmers Co-Op Gin; Jeane Vallance, Odom Clinic Hospital; Priscilla Wright, Fowlers Drug.

Sharon Davis, Paymaster Gin; Barbara Elem, Moore Radio & T. C.; Barbara Fulton, Gidden Electric; Deeda Hickey, The Fair Store; Zady Higginbotham, West Texas Utilities Co.; Beatrice Hook, Wines Laundry; Helen Howard, KCTX, Childress; Celia Leslie, Leslie's Flowers; Barbara Mauck, Wilson's Insurance Agency; Dorothy Wheeler, Cummings Cafe.

Judges for the event were W. E. Gentry, Al Allison and Billy Joe Atkinson, all of Childress.

Cyclone Girls -

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40-60, and were downed by Lelia Lake, 30-39, in the second match.

The Quail boys went into finals before being defeated by Hedley by two points for the championship. Lelia Lake won the consolation bracket of the boys' competition.

Tuesday night the local teams went to Quitaque where they won one game and lost two. The A squad girls downed the Panthers, 41-34, with Helen Shackelford sinking a total of 13 points for honors. The A squad boys lost 54-62 with Dudley Gillespie, high point man with 26 points.

Dick Morgan led the scoring for the B squad with 8 points as that group lost 24-44.

The next home game will be Friday night when both the boys and girls meet Estelline here.

The Cyclone girls will play at 7 p. m. followed by the boys about 8:30 p. m.

Advertisement for U.S. Savings Bonds with the headline 'THAT'S A FACT' and illustrations of a reindeer and a Roman soldier.

William Swindle Transferred To Clarendon SCS

William C. Swindle, who has been associated with the Soil Conservation Service and the local office of the Hall County Soil Conservation District since February of 1956, has been transferred to Clarendon. Charlie Cape, local work unit conservationist, made the announcement this week.

Swindle was promoted to work unit conservationist there, effective Monday.

"Farmers and ranchers in the district will miss Bill very much. He was a great help to many of them, assisting in working out a lasting soil conservation plan," Cape said.

Swindle attended Texas A & M College where he received B. S. and M. S. degrees in agriculture. He taught vocational agriculture for several years before starting to work with the Soil Conservation Service.

"We are sorry to lose Bill, but we wish him every success in his new advancement," Cape added.

W. F. Hodnett -

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tist Church. Survivors included his wife of Memphis; four daughters, Mrs. Guy Eden of Brice, Mrs. Ralph

Nobles and Mrs. Cyril Nobles, both of Bakersfield, Calif., and Mrs. A. C. Powell of Newhall, Calif.; three sons, Earl of Dumas, Elvin of Bakersfield, Calif. and A. C. of Amarillo; 23 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. Emma Slaughter of Lockhart and Mrs. Myrtle Barbee of Alvin.

Interment was in the Fairview Cemetery at Memphis under the direction of Spicer Funeral Home. One son, Martin, preceded Mr. Hodnett in death in 1944.

Pall bearers were J. W. Driver, J. O. Adams, Jr., J. W. Hatley, Jr., Carol Fowler, Boaz Stotts and Alvis Freeman.

Four Students Left Standing in Weekly Spelloff Tuesday

Only two students missed words in the weekly spelloff over the Childress radio station Tuesday. Miss Mary Foreman, county superintendent, announced this week.

Those who participated in the event were Sue Lusk and Wanda Mabel of Turkey, Jimmy Ward and Exie Hughes of Austin Elementary, and Vivian Maddox and Linda Guthrie of Travis Elementary.

When the regular assignment was completed only one person had been downed, and when the extra words were given one other student missed out, leaving those from Turkey and Travis Elementary standing at the end of the

program.

Miss Foreman expressed appreciation to the Turkey Teacher Association for with the transportation of students to the event. Those assisted this year include Mick Cotton, Mr. and Mrs. Lusk, Mrs. G. P. Dr. Rev. Tommie Williams and Jess Meacham.

Local students are taking spelloff by Miss Foreman.

Aardvark is the Dutch name for the South African ant-eater.

Advertisement for Harrison Hardware with the headline 'AUCTION Friday Night Dec. 20th'.

Greenbelt Water Board Holds First Formal Meeting

Dr. S. H. Townsend of Childress was elected chairman of the Greenbelt Municipal and Industrial Water Authority at a meeting of the directors in Childress last week.

This was the first official meeting of the group since the authority was created by election in the seven-county area last August.

Wendell Harrison is the representative to the board from Memphis.

In addition to Townsend, Sam Breedlove of Clarendon was named vice chairman, and Clifford Johnson of Hedley was selected as secretary-treasurer.

Other members of the board are Kenneth Tooley of Paducah, Carol Knopp of Clarendon and George Shaddid of Wellington.

At the meeting last week the laws which pertained to the authority were explained and the duties of the directors pointed out. First move of the group, Townsend said, will be to employ an engineer to start making plans and estimates on the dam and pipeline. This must be done, the chairman explained, before any progressive work on the project can be done.

Committee of 24 -

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make recommendations to the next session of the Legislature.

The members of the county committee are as follows:

Memphis—R. C. Lemons, W. C. Davis, Mrs. Weldon McCreary, Mrs. Grover Booth, Ethel Hillhouse, Dwight Kinard, W. A. Leigon.

Lakeview—Loran Denton, V. C. Durrett, Mrs. B. B. Gibson, O. E. Bevers, Mrs. A. C. Sams.

Estelline—JoEd Cupell, Crump Ferrel, Mrs. Rabb Holland, Clarence Moore, John Chaudoin.

Turkey—O. K. Edmondson, Mark Lane, Lewis Eudy, Mrs. Redell Irby, Mrs. Byron Young.

County—Gene Lindsey, Mary Foreman, J. W. Coppedge, Hulen Clifton.

First Baptist -

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communication chairman.

Other members of the choir are Mrs. Frank Ellis, Mrs. Wendell Harrison, Mrs. Henry Hays, Miss Bobbie Stewart, Mrs. Hulda Wilson, Mrs. R. D. Jones, Mrs. Fern Miller, Mrs. Nelson Combest, Mrs. Billie Parker, Mrs. S. A. Ellis, Mrs. T. J. Bridges, Robert Stewart, Henry Hays, Dwight Kinard and J. K. Porter.

ASC Begins -

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their payments have been completed, the manager said.

He explained that it took a considerable amount of paper work before the checks were ready for the farmers and that clerks were working on the program as fast as possible. The total amount which will be paid to county farmers this year for placing their land in the Conservation Reserve is \$264,000.

"We hope to have all of the payments ready by Jan. 1," McKown said.

ACP Handbook

The Agricultural Conservation Practices handbook, distributed each year to county farmers, has been sent to the state office for final approval, he said. As soon as the office gives final approval the book will be published and distributed to farmers.

Michigan leads the U. S. in industrial output and leads the world in automobile production.

To Late To Classify

FOR SALE—Fat hens, 1.00 each. 912 Montgomery. 30-1p

PALACE

Thurs.—Fri.—Sat. "THE JOKER IS WILD" Frank Sinatra Mitzzy Gaynor

Sat. Prev. Sun.—Mon.—Tues. "THE WAYWARD BUS" Jane Mansfield Dan Dailey

Wed.—Money Nite (Play Darto) "OH MEN, OH WOMEN" (In Color) Dan Dailey Ginger Rogers

RITZ

Friday Bargain Night "CARNIVAL ROCK" Susan Cabot Brian Hutton

Saturday "CANYON CROSSROADS" Richard Baseheart Phyllis Kirk

Sun.—Mon.—Tues. "PORTLAND EXPOSE" Edward Binns Virginia Gregg

Wed.—Thur. "BOY ON A DOLPHIN" (In Color) Alan Ladd Sophia Loren

Advertisement for Food Specials with a list of items like Celery, Cranberries, Oranges, Bananas, Apples, Crabapples, Peaches, Cherries, Pecans, and Walnuts.

Advertisement for Memphis Grocery with a list of items like Pork Chops, Bacon Squares, Beef Roast, Cheese, Oleo, Hams, Turkeys, and Hens.

Advertisement for Christmas wishes by Lucille Ables, featuring illustrations of Christmas ornaments and a tree.

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Call us at home if the store is closed

JOHN FOWLER Pharmacists DICK FOWLER

Advertisement for Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, featuring jewelry and movie film.

Advertisement for Fowlers Drug with the headline 'The smart way to keep his'.

Advertisement for various camera models like Brownie Star, Starflex, and Starlet.

Advertisement for Fowlers Rexall Drug with the headline 'YOU CAN DEPEND ON ANY DRUG PRODUCT THAT BEARS THE NAME'.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

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The Memphis Democrat

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MEMPHIS, HALL COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 19, 1957 *** TEN CENTS *** NUMBER 30

Hundreds of Letters To Santa Claus Reveal Wishes of Children



Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I want a football suit and a football. Don't forget my sister. Love,
Douglas Wheeler
Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
I want a truck with a cannon on it. I want another truck with a light and two cannons on it, and a Texas Rangers' suit. Don't forget my brother.
Love,
James Neal Hughs
Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a doll buggy and some dishes?
Your friend,
Linda Carol Hunter
Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
I will be 5 years old on December 11, and I want a bow and arrow set, a basketball, and a pony for it. Don't forget my horse.
Love,
Genaro Salinas
Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I would like a glove for Christmas and two guns and a holster. I would like a cowboy suit, too, and a football suit, and a sack of candy. Don't forget Mary Helen, and Fernando Salinas.
Love,
Jaci Louise Hatley

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a big sister and little sister doll and doll clothes?
Your friend,
Cathy Ellen Gibson
Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
I want a 24-inch bicycle, a Jill doll with a long pony-tail, a mink with her and some doll clothes for her.
Love,
Carol Thompson
Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
I want a BB gun and I want a truck. And my sister wants a doll and some clothes for it.
With love,
Alan
Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
I will be 5 years old on December 11, and I want a bow and arrow set, a basketball, and a pony for it. Don't forget my horse.
Love,
Genaro Salinas
Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I would like a glove for Christmas and two guns and a holster. I would like a cowboy suit, too, and a football suit, and a sack of candy. Don't forget Mary Helen, and Fernando Salinas.
Love,
Jaci Louise Hatley

Hereford, Texas
Dear Santa,
Could you please bring me a playhouse, a bow and arrow set, and some boots?
With love,
Celia Lynn Hutcherson
Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
I want a truck with a cannon on it. I want another truck with a light and two cannons on it, and a Texas Rangers' suit. Don't forget my brother.
Love,
James Neal Hughs
Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a doll buggy and some dishes?
Your friend,
Linda Carol Hunter
Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
I will be 5 years old on December 11, and I want a bow and arrow set, a basketball, and a pony for it. Don't forget my horse.
Love,
Genaro Salinas
Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
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Love,
Jaci Louise Hatley

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good but I'm not. My mommie's saying I'm a bad boy. I would like some toys. Don't forget my little sister, Carlene. She loves you. Love,
Carol Jean Stiles
Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I like you. I know you like me. Merry Christmas to you.
I would like high heel doll and record player, gown, robe, house shoes, bicycle, toys. Santa, don't forget Tondo and Kirby.
Love,
Martha Beth Gordon

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy four and a half years old. I am looking forward to seeing you again this year. I want you to bring me a farm set, a football helmet, a bow and arrow, a dump truck and an electric train. Bring plenty of fruit, nuts, and candy.
Please don't forget the other little boys and girls all over the world.
I love you,
Billy Edd Dixon
Alamogordo, N. M.
Dear Santa,
Remember me? I am a little girl three years old.
Please bring me a doll, buggy, stove, refrigerator and sink set, a car coat, a washing machine and a dress.
I will be at my aunt's near Gatesville so please leave my things there.
Love,
Martha Beth Gordon

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I would like to have some skates and a cancan, and some games. I think you are the polliest man I have ever seen.
Yours truly,
Patricia Gaylynn Jeffers
Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old. I would like a doll for Christmas, a set of dishes, and a desk.
Your friend,
Glynda Vandagriff
Turkey, Texas
Dear Santa,
We live at Turkey now. Please don't forget us. I (Marsha) want a doll with high heels and Tommy wants a truck and gun and scabbard. Please don't forget Jackie Maupin who lives at Turkey, too. Thank you, Santa Claus.
Love,
Tommy and Marsha Rogers
Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
Will you bring me a bicycle and a doll?
Your friend,
Judy Kay Fowler
Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
Will you bring me a pellet gun for Christmas.
Your friend,
Royce Sanders

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am three years old this year, and have tried to be a good boy, but sometimes it is hard. Please bring me a football, a football helmet, road maintainer, and bicycle. Please fill my stocking with fruit, nuts, and candy.
I love you,
David Lindsey McBee
Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
I love you. I know you love me. I want a doll. Santa, don't forget my brothers.
Rhonda Gowdy
Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a B.B. gun?
Your friend,
Gayle Gowdy
Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
If you can, please bring me a high heeled doll that has pretty hair, a record, a sweater, a bracelet, and a twenty-five dollar bond.
I remain your friend,
Marsha Yvonne Bell
Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am a girl 5 years old. I have 2 brothers 4 and 2 years old. I want a doll and Mix-Master. My brothers want a tractor and airplane.
Love,
Susan, Walter Lynn, Holly Rose

Management and Employees say

SEASON'S GREETINGS

As we look back over the year just past we fully realize the factors that have combined to make possible such an enjoyable year. We can think of any number of instances where your friendship and your influence has been of tremendous benefit to this institution and it is with this thought in our hearts that we stop for a moment at this happy Yuletide to wish you all the joys of the season. We hope that your every Christmas wish will be granted, that this will be a most happy occasion for you and yours.

to the friends and customers of this firm

Memphis Farmers Co-Op

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Wishing you all the joys of Christmas

Christmas has always been a time of friendliness and good cheer. One of the oldest traditions is the simple well wishing to one's friends for a Happy Christmas. This year we send to each of you that wish fourfold...

MERRY CHRISTMAS

MEMPHIS LUMBER CO.

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Letters To Santa Claus

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am 9 years old and in the fourth grade.
I have tried to be good this year although at times it was pretty hard.
For Christmas this year I would like to have a doll, a bicycle and a monopoly set. I hope that's not too much. Please don't forget to visit all my friends.
Your friend,
Anita Snowdon

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a 26-in. bicycle. I want a caterpillar.
Your friend,
Mike Bruce

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am 3 1/2 years old and have to be a pretty good boy.
I would like for you to bring me an army set with a big light, 2 guns and holsters, and some fruit and nuts.
Thank you,
Ronnie Keith Phillips

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a pair of skates, a doll, a doll buggy, and a pair of peddle pushers for Christmas.
Your friend,
Judy Carol Guthrie

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 5 years old. I would like for you to bring me a scabbard and guns, a ranch set with animals, and anything else you would like to bring. Also candy, nuts, and fruits. And Santa, don't forget the other boys and girls.
Thank you, Santa,
Rickey Don Lowe

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am 3 1/2 years old and have to be a pretty good boy.
I would like for you to bring me an army set with a big light, 2 guns and holsters, and some fruit and nuts.
Thank you,
Ronnie Keith Phillips

LAFF OF THE WEEK



"But, sweetheart—I can't afford to buy you an engagement ring and send you to cooking school, TOO!"

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am Gary Sims. I am nearly five years old. I have just moved here from Oklahoma and have tried to be a good boy.
I would like to have a white moving van, a set of guns and holsters, a doctor's kit, and a yellow Chevrolet station wagon for Christmas.
I'll be looking for you, Santa.
Gary Sims

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
I'm a little girl three years old and think I'm getting pretty big.
I want a telephone and a little girl doll with a ponytail. Also a suitcase with lots of doll clothes on little hangers.
Please come see Meta Kay and Ronald, too. Don't forget all my cousins who will be at Mam-ma's and Granny's.
Oh yes, Santa, Ona Mae Payne here at Lakeview wants a little girl just like me for Christmas. Please don't forget me.
Love,
Jennifer Ann Pate

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa,
I want some guns and army men and a carry-all.
Your friend,
Larry Browning

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle, a play gun, a play rifle, and a pair of boots.
Your friend,
Jimmy Grice

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am a little girl two years old. Please bring me a Tiny Tears doll, some dishes and a stove. Also some nuts, fruit and candy. Don't forget all the other boys and girls.
Your little friend,
Marlene Moore

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Bee-Bee gun and carry-all, army truck and some army men.
Your friend,
Laddie Kent Fowler

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I want a B. B. gun and a checker set. Don't forget anyone.
Love,
Jimmy D. Allen

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a gun, a ship, a car, a ball, and a train.
Love,
Jerry

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a cattle truck and sideboards?
Your friend,
Danny Pat Gowdy

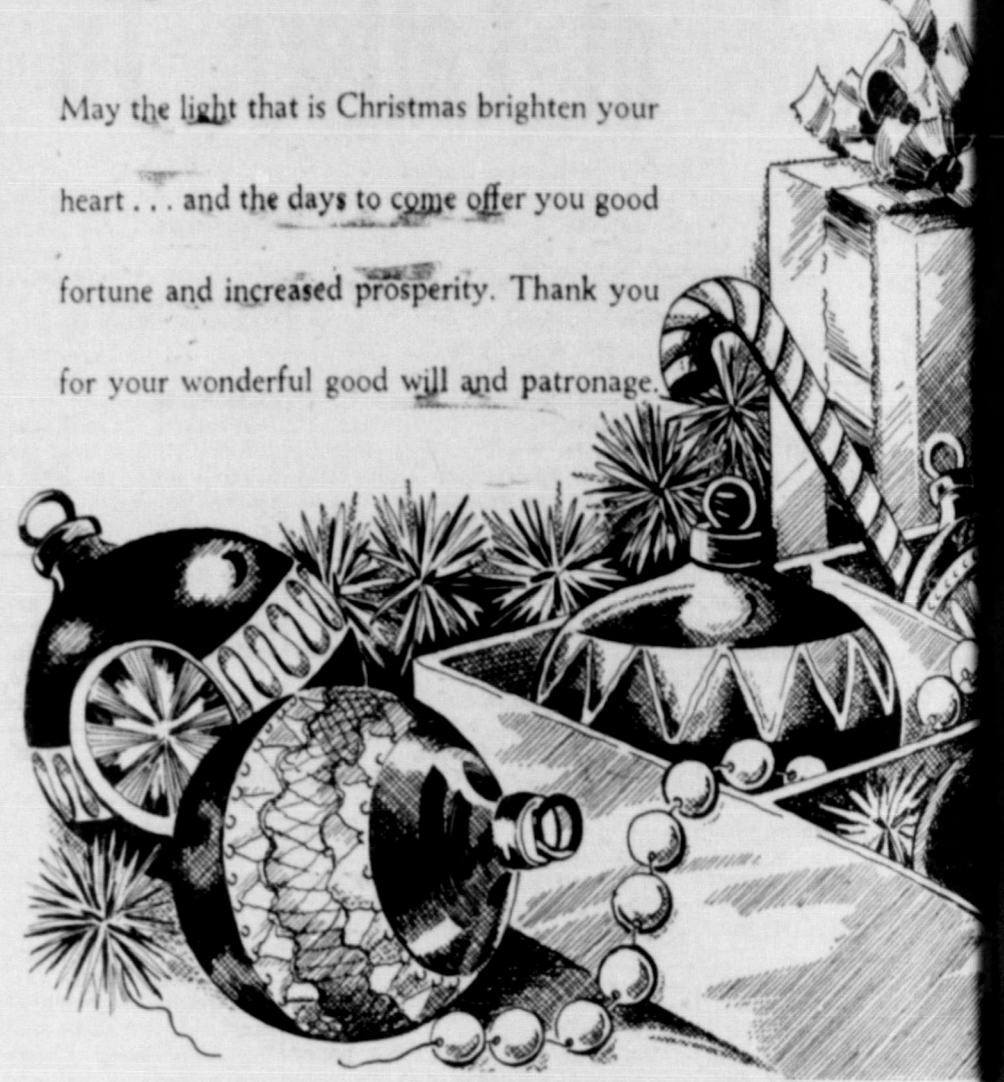
Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl. Santa, please bring me a doll and also doll suitcase, apples, nuts, and candy.
Love always,
Joyce Canida

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a baton and suit. Please bring me a dancing doll. How is Mrs. Santa Claus? I would like four pencils, red and blue and green and yellow.
Your friend,
Christi Collins

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
Will you bring me a Po-Go stick, and a little John Deere tractor with a shovel and trailer and a breaking plow?
Your friend,
Jay Ben McMillen

Warm and Sincere Holiday Greetings

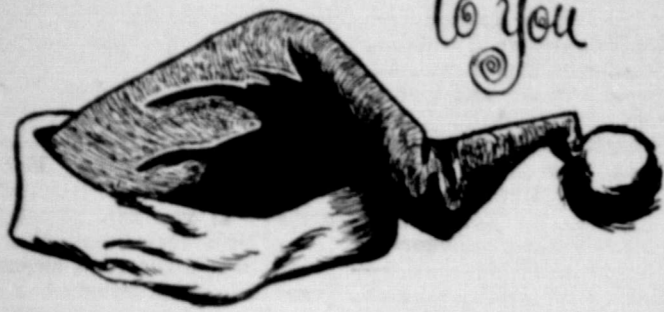
May the light that is Christmas brighten your heart... and the days to come offer you good fortune and increased prosperity. Thank you for your wonderful good will and patronage.



CYCLONE DRIVE INN

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Winters

Merry Christmas to you



Cudd Bros. 
TRUCKING MEMPHIS, TEXAS
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ANYTHING ANYWHERE ANYTIME

A wish for Peace
and Joy
at Christmas
and
Always

DR. JACK L. ROSE

to wish you the
Joy of
CHRISTMAS
its cheer, its kindness
its friendliness, its
hope... and above all,
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CLENT'S BARBER SHOP

Will be closed Dec. 25, 26 and Jan. 1

HAPPY holidays

Warm glow from the yule log...
radiant lights on the Christmas tree...
the happy look on the faces of your loved ones at Christmastime... may you enjoy them all at this great season.



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Season's Greetings

... this time-hallowed Yuletide greeting expresses warm Christmas message of friendship and good will peace and joy to all.

to Friends

With it we send our sincere thanks and appreciation for the business you have given us. We hope our service has pleased you... and that throughout the coming year you will think of us with the same friendly feelings we have for you.

Everywhere

CHRISTMAS Greeting Our friendliest wishes to you for a joyous Christmas season.

FOSTER FOOD MARKET

Letters To Santa Claus

Coyanosa, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
We are two little girls who have been very nice this year. Well, as nice as any 2 and 4 year old girls could be.
We plan to go to our Grandmother and Granddaddy Adeock's for Christmas, so we'd like for you to bring our toys to their house.
We would like a Tiny Tears doll-cach, some clothes for them, and some dishes to play in our sand pile. Also, some books would be nice, too.
Don't forget all the other little boys and girls, and especially our uncles, Butch and Bunky.
We'll be looking for you on Christmas Eve, Santa. We love you.
Kimberla and Kameron McCanne
P. S. Oh, yes, Santa, we sure do like candy, fruit and nuts, and since it will be a special occasion, maybe our mother and daddy would let us have more candy than usual, so that would be nice, too, if you could leave us some.

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am 5 years old, and go to kindergarten and I've been a pretty good girl.
Please bring me a doll buggy and a doll with a pacifier.
I'll be glad when you get here.
Love,
Anita Taylor
P. S. Please put some candy, nuts and chewing gum in my stocking and Santa, please don't forget all the less fortunate boys and girls.

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
We are a little boy and girl four and three years old. We would like a record player and records, a rifle, a dolly and stroller and fruit and nuts and candy for Christmas.
Love,
Johnny and Kathy Carmen
Estelline, Texas

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a cash register, four red pencils, different colors.
Your friend,
Mike Hughes
Estelline, Texas

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a cowboy suit and the holster.
Your friend,
Emilio Contreras
Newlin, Texas

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good girl. I would like to have a bike and a little Woman doll named Meg. Please don't forget the other boys and girls.
Your friend,
Jane Hoover

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am looking for you. Please bring me a punching bag.
Your friend,
Rog Fowler
Estelline, Texas

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll that can talk and walk and that is all.
Your friend,
Josepina Contreras
Lakeview, Texas

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a wagon for Christmas?
How are you doing today? I am O. K. now.
Your friend,
Larry Sanders

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like for you to bring me some boots, clothes for my Terri Lee doll, and lots of nuts and candy in my stocking. I've been a nice girl all year.
Love,
Lu Gay Godfrey
P. S. My boots should be size 8 1/2.



WELCOME TO SANTA—One way to wish Santa a warm welcome when slides down the chimney is with a decorative "Merry Christmas" mat. This one by Mallison, made of red or green cotton chenille with white letters, is as practical as pretty, says the Cleanliness Bureau, since it can be washed by machine or hand in soap or detergent suds.

BEST WISHES FOR THE HOLIDAYS



During the past year it has been a sincere pleasure to have the privilege of serving you...and we are deeply grateful for your confidence in us.

Hope this Christmas is your merriest one!

GOODALL HOSPITAL

Dr. O. R. Goodall

Dr. H. R. Stevenson

BEST WISHES FOR A
HAPPY
HOLIDAY SEASON

WATTS AUTO PARTS
Sep and Mildred Watts

Wishing you
all the joys
of the
Christmas
Season

THE FAIR
John and Inez Shadid
Mrs. Floyd Liner
Mrs. Johnie Brewer

A Cheerful Christmas



When Christmas Comes . . .
... how good it is to send a word of greeting to a friend.
Friendships of customers like you are important. And we deeply appreciate how much you have done to make our past year a success.
May your Christmas be happier than ever before.

MASTER ANTENNA SERVICE

611 Noel St. Phone 670

GREETINGS

AT CHRISTMAS

The Holiday Spirit lights new friendships and rekindles old ones year after year. At this season we like to pause to remember our friends. The business you have given us is sincerely appreciated, and we hope you are pleased with the way we have served you. We want you to think of us as a friendly firm. May your Christmas be happy.



HOUSEHOLD SUPPLY CO.

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Pete and Belle Shankle
J. O. Dixon C. T. Chappell

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy seven years old. I go to Travis School in the second grade in Mrs. King's room. I would like to have a basketball and goal, a football, a real watch, and a remote control car. Santa, you might make that watch water proof and sand proof—I live in West Texas, you know. Santa, I've got an uncle and cousin who live with me. My uncle, Jimmy, would like a record player, and my cousin would like a guitar for Christmas. They are big boys and would take good care of their things if you bring them.
Please don't forget all the other boys and girls. I'll have some cake and coffee for you when you come.

Barry Don Bownds

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, a can-can petticoat, some clothes for my doll, and a new dress. Don't forget my little brother.
Love,
Eva Ann Glosson

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa,
We are brothers and sisters. I, Linda, want a doll, ball, socks, lots of doll dresses and lots of good things to eat. Robert wants a white horse and a man riding it and a gun, caps and skates, too. I, Linda, am 5 years old. Robert is 4. We have been good. We stay with Grandmother most all the time. Don't forget her. So we go to bed early.

Your little friends,
Linda and Robert Moore

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a playhouse, a record player and a dish set.
Your friend,
Renee Wood

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a ballet doll. I would like a set of dishes. Merry Christmas to you.

I have a sister named Jennifer and a brother named Ronald. Don't forget them.
Love,
Lometa Kay Pate

Memphis, Texas

LAFF OF THE WEEK



"Ha! ... None of that stuff for me—one drop behind each ear and ZOWIE—no cars!"

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
Will you bring me a BB gun and a wagon?
Your friend,
Alan Booth

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
Will you bring me a BB gun?
Your friend,
Kirby J. Hatley

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
Will you bring me a rocking horse, and a cowgirl suit with a hat and some boots.
Your friend,
Marilyn McMillen

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a BB gun, a dog collar, an electric baseball game, and that's all.
Your friend,
Danny Peters

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am looking for you. Please bring me a bike basket.
Your friend,
Sue

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
Will you bring me some dishes? I love dishes. Would you bring me a doll?
Your friend,
Linda Lee Robertson

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I'm a girl 7 years old. I would like to have a bike and a doll with rooted hair.
Your friend,
Carolyn Sue Hutcherson

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy 3 years old. I have been a good boy. Santa, please bring me a gun, handcuffs, and a stick horse, apples, nuts, and candy.
Love always,
Ronald Steve Canida

Bellaire, Texas

Dearest Santa,
I am a little girl almost 3 years old. I am looking forward to your visit this Christmas very much. I have tried to be a good little girl, but must confess at times I haven't been. Santa, it's awfully hard to be good all the time.

I would like for you to bring me a high chair for my dolly, a grocery cart, an ice box, stove, sink, some plastic dishes, a make-up kit and a sock full of candy, fruit, and gum. I have a little baby brother, Randal, who is 3 months old. He would like some pretty butterflies to look and go at.

Santa, please remember all the other little boys and girls everywhere. Also my two grandmothers who I will not get to see this Christmas. My Men-Ma lives in Abilene and my Muddy lives in Memphis. Give them my love.

Please leave my gifts here at my home—5117 Linden, Bellaire, Texas. I love you, Santa.

Your little friend,
Debbie Ann McCreary

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me clothes for my Terri Lee doll, a pink refrigerator, teddy bear, and anything else you think I'd like.

I've been a good girl this year.
Love,
Susan Leigon

Lakeview, Texas

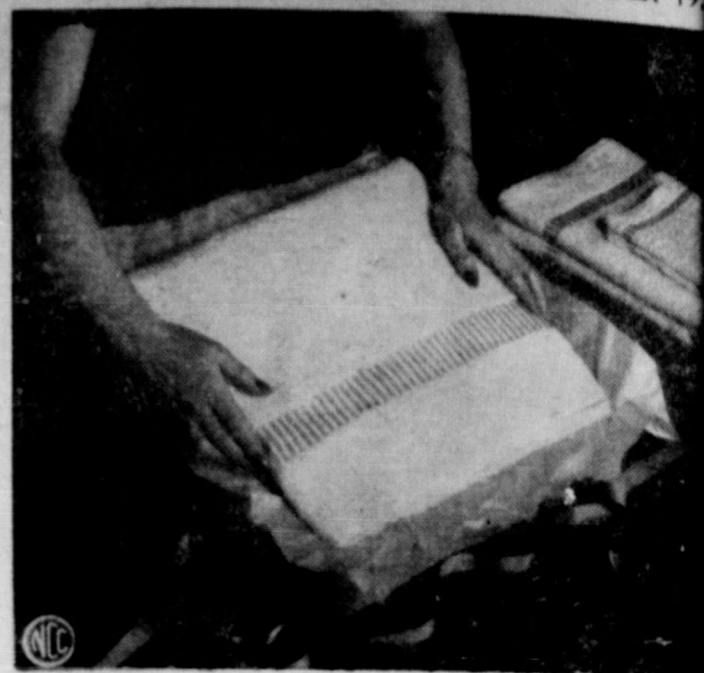
Dear Santa,
Will you bring me a doll?
Your friend with love,
Barbara Weaver

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
Will you bring me a record player and a doll?
Your friend,
Syreta Lowe

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a BB gun, a BB pistol, and a robe and house shoes.
With love,
Tommy Henson

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a whole cowboy outfit.
Your friend,
John Tom Helm

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a basketball.
Your friend,
Gary Rea



GIFT WRAPPING—Cotton terry, styled in decorator like these Cannon towels, makes practical presents for day giving. Fine towels deserve fine wrappings, and will look their best in bright boxes lined with tissue and colorfully beribboned.

Ivory has been a favorite material for art work since earliest times. Andrew Jackson was a all trades—planter, trader, chant, soldier and statesman.

Season's Greetings



"... Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy... for unto you is born this day... a Savior, which is Christ the Lord..."

—St. Luke 2: 10-11



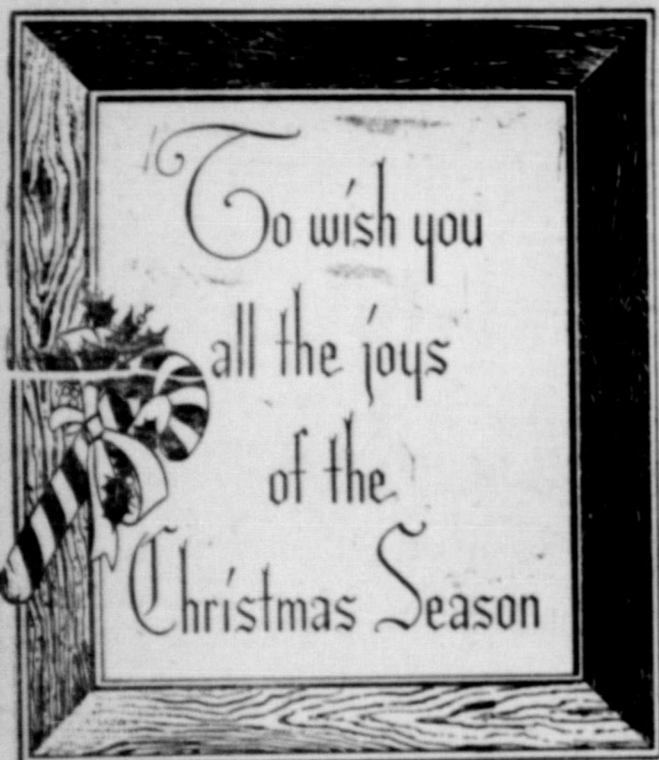
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Bear Wheel Alignment
Our Specialty
Phone 546, Night 437

Thanks!

Expresses most sincerely our appreciation for your friendliness and fine patronage this past year. We extend best wishes for your happiness at Christmastime



PAUL BLEVINS BARBER SHO



MILLER & MILLER

J. H. Barbee, Jr., Agent

MERRY CHRISTMAS



DICK SPOON

Chevrolet Specialist

Warmest wishes for a Wonderful and Happy Christmas

BRUCE BROS. TEXACO

Glenn and Boyce

It wouldn't seem like CHRISTMAS If we didn't wish Season's GREETINGS



To those we like

LINDSEY CLEANERS

Phone 38

619 Main



The STAR OF HOPE

The Star of Bethlehem first shone against a dark night, and the Prince of Peace came to an earth torn by wars and racial hatreds. Yet the darkness of nineteen centuries ago could not master that Light. Nor can the hardships provoked by evil forces today extinguish the Hope and Faith and Love kindled by the divine flame. Its radiance will glow as a beacon to guide mankind in the way of Justice and Peace.

May that Light illumine your heart this Christmastide!

SPICER FUNERAL HOME

Letters To Santa Claus

Lakeview, Texas
I am a little boy three years old. I have been very good this year. Would you please bring me a tractor, a big wagon, and anything else you want to bring. Also bring me some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget all the other little children.

Larry Simpson
P. S. Don't forget my little cousin, Buster, who lives in Amarillo because he has been a good little boy, too.

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a walking doll and a doctor set. Please bring my little brother a tricycle.

Your friend,
Ruby Freelen

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a doll with clothes. I would like records. I would like a bicycle and a typewriter.

I would like a robe and house shoes. I would like some games.

Brenda Gayle Lowe

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am only 15 months old but I would sure enjoy a tricycle and a hobby horse if you have one. Also a truck and some smaller toys. I like lots of candy and fruit. I have been a very good boy. Don't forget my auntie, uncle, and cousins on Christmas Eve. See you then.

Love,
Steven Kennedy

Dear Santa,
Will you bring me a doll with a baby bottle and a blue and white check dress.

Your friend,
Judy Lynn Payne

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a bicycle and a toy Santa. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Love,
Lazan Moreman

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am looking for you. Please bring me a gun set.

Your friend,
Terry

Vigo Park, Tex.
Dear Santa,
I have been a good little girl and I will be two years old the 13th of this month.

Santa, please bring me a baby doll, doll buggy and a spring horse and a little platform rocker. Bring me lots of fruit, nuts, and candy. Come to see Mother and Daddy. They have been good.

Your little friend,
Donnita Jo Byars

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me an electric football set and a basketball or a baseball set.

Your friend,
Tony Pounds

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll and record player, records, and dominoes, and a sack of candy.

Love,
Betty Ellen Shira



PRETTY CHRISTMAS SHEETS — Gay, printed cotton sheets are one of those gifts for the home that are likely to appear on a Christmas list for milady. Pretty as well as practical, they sparkle with bright holiday colors. These hand-painted percales by Fieldcrest feature floral patterns in delicate shades of pink, blue and green.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Here's a brief little message to those of you whom we have served the past year and to those whom we hope to serve next year—may this be a pleasant Christmas for you and yours.



CEDAR ROOM CAFE

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Clark

We find Real JOY

in wishing you

A Glorious Christmas

Merry Christmas

ERS FURNITURE STORE

Wishing you
and Happiness



Merry Christmas

TO YOU... OUR FRIENDS
AND CUSTOMERS

ES MAGNOLIA SERVICE

Best Wishes



Kenneth Bownds Auto Service

Automatic Transmissions Our Specialty

MERRY

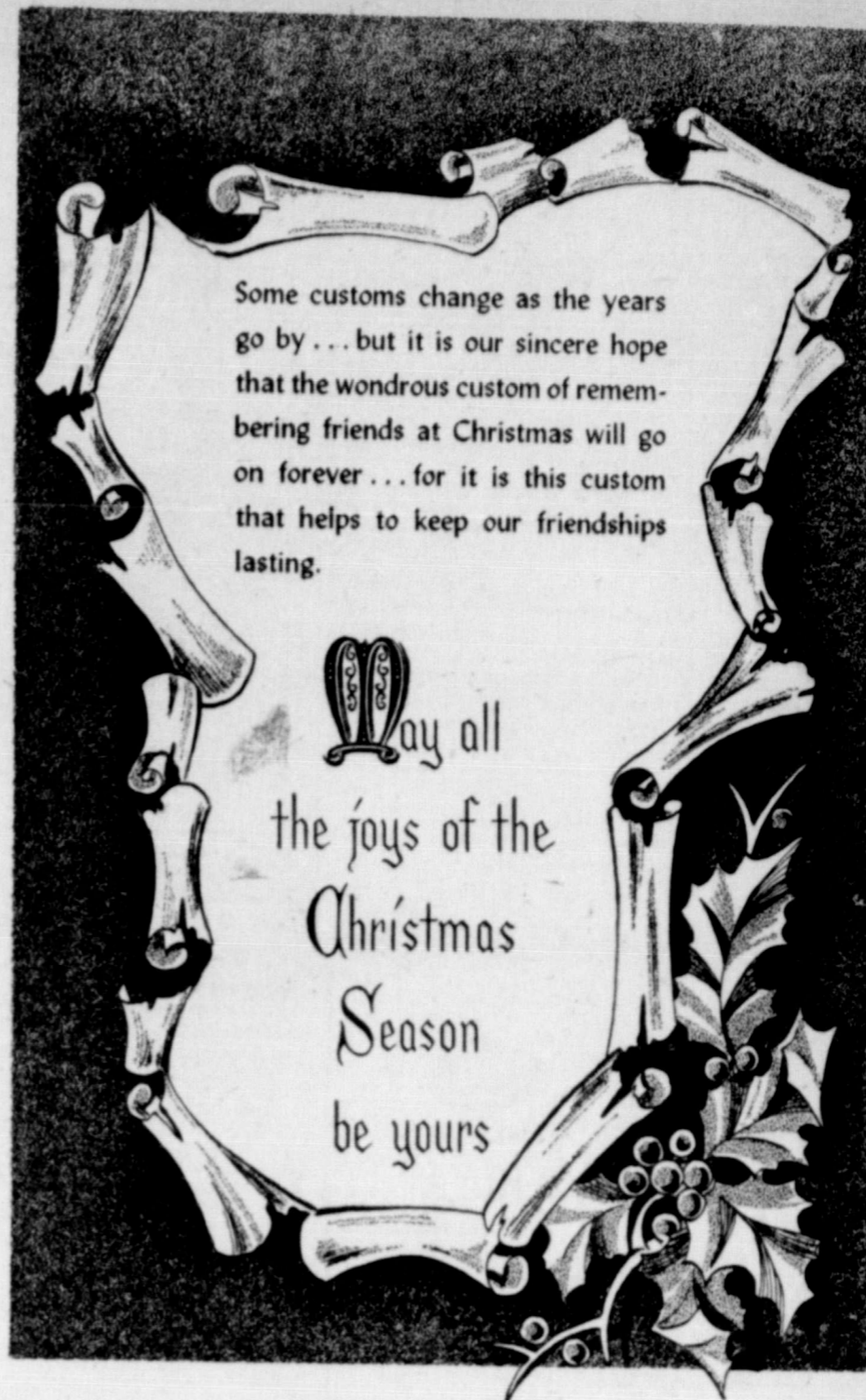
We send this Christmas message in sincere appreciation of the confidence you have shown in us.

CHRISTMAS

MARTIN'S GULF SERVICE

Noel & 4th Sts.

Phone 161



Some customs change as the years go by... but it is our sincere hope that the wondrous custom of remembering friends at Christmas will go on forever... for it is this custom that helps to keep our friendships lasting.

May all
the joys of the
Christmas
Season
be yours

KINARD-GAILEY AGENCY

Dwight Kinard

Dorothy Hodges

Ace Gailey



HAPPY HOLIDAY!

To Everyone

After the rush of Christmas, may we extend a wish for a Happy Christmas to you with our warmest thanks for your friendship this past year?

CUDD-BOONE OIL CO.

Goodyear Tires & Tubes
Shamrock Products

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa, Liberal, Kans. I am ten years old and in the 5th grade and my little brother is five and in kindergarten. I would like a doll with hi-heels, real hair, and ear rings. My brother would like a hi-way set and please leave a record player for both of us. We will be at our grandparents, the J. N. Helms, at Newlin, for Xmas. Thank you. Love, Judy and Terry Smallwood

Dear Santa Claus, Memphis, Tex. I am a little boy six years old. Please bring me a set of guns, drum, horn, and cowboy shirt. With love, Marlin

Dear Santa Claus, Memphis, Texas. Please bring me an army suit. Thank you. Sandy Ray Vandagriff

Most Gracious Santa Claus, Memphis, Texas. If you have time to drop by I will have something for you to fill up on. If you have time you might leave me a doll, watch, and a Bible. Your friend, Zee Yarbrough

Dear Santa Claus, Estelline, Texas. I would like a drum and a 26-inch girl's bicycle. And don't forget about a bride doll and bride dress. I hope you and Mrs. Santa are O. K. Your friend, Brenda Hood

Dear Santa, Lakeview, Texas. I am a little boy 1 year old. I have been a good boy and would like for you to bring me a gun, truck and a tricycle. Thank you, Anthony Smith

Dear Santa, Memphis, Texas. I want a football suit for Christmas. Please remember the other boys and girls, too. Your friend, Sammy Houston

Dear Santa, Estelline, Texas. I want a 26-inch bicycle. I want a football suit and a Bee-Bee gun. Your friend, Robert Wood

Dear Santa, Memphis, Texas. I would like to have a watch and some wax fruit. Love, Vicki

LAFF OF THE WEEK



"Harry, I'd like to have you meet a young man who is really going places with our company..."

Dear Santa Claus, Estelline, Texas. I want a Bee-Bee gun, army set, bicycle, carryall, cowboy set. Your friend, Jimmy Adecock

Dear Santa, Memphis, Texas. I am in the third grade. I am nine years old. My name is Cathy Dale. I would like you to bring me a big bicycle. I have a brother. His name is Randy. He is five years old. Please bring him something, too. Your friend, Cathy Dale

Dear Santa, Memphis, Texas. I want some clothes, and I want some nuts and apples and oranges. With love, Mary Lee Hawthorne

Dear Santa, Memphis, Texas. I am a little girl seven years old. I would like a bike, a baby doll with washable hair, and a pretty skirt and sweater. Remember all the other little boys and girls. Love, Sheila Ford

Dear Santa, Memphis, Texas. I am seven and in the second grade. I want plenty of clothes for my "Tiny Tears" baby, a talking switchboard, a tickle bee game, and a new cancan. My little brother, Nickki, wants Corp. Rusty suit, bugle, a boat, and monorail rocket. Don't forget any other children, please. Thank you, Jondel and Nickki McCauley

Dear Santa Claus, Lakeview, Texas. What I want for Christmas is everyone else to get what they want. Thank you very much. Your friend, Ronald Pate

Dear Santa, Alamogordo, N. M. You were very good to me last Christmas. Thank you so very much. Please bring me some American Logs, a holster and gun, power shovel and dump truck, a satellite launcher, some clothes and games. I will be at Aunt Mary Lou's, so bring my things there. Don't forget my little cousins, Donny and Kay. Love, John Lynn Gordon

Dear Santa, Estelline, Texas. Please bring me some red pencils and a mirror. I had a piano before. But mother does not want a piano in the house. Your friend, Rosalinda

Dear Santa Claus, Memphis, Texas. Please bring me a good record player, some slim-jims, full cancan and a sweater set. Do not forget the other boys and girls. With love, Kathy Jones

Dear Santa, Memphis, Texas. I am a little girl in the third grade and I have been a good girl this year. Please bring me a Dew Drop baby doll and a Dialmaster telephone. With love, Donna Beckham

Dear Santa, Lakeview, Texas. I am a boy almost 9 years old. I am in the third grade. I would like for you to bring me a double set of guns with cylinders that turn, a bicycle, and nuts, fruit and candy. Yur little friend, Terry Jackson Gable

IN THE TRUE SPIRIT

of the Christmas season



We feel a special pride... a personal glow of friendship's warmth within... when greeting those who have helped us along our business way.

May the joy and peace of CHRISTMAS be yours

KESTERSON INSURANCE AGENCY

Bill Kesterson Wynne

A very Merry Christmas

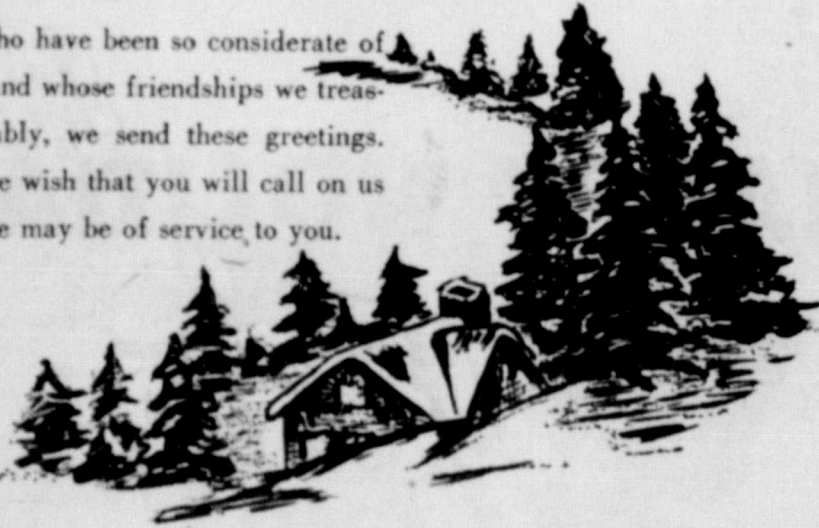
We feel a special pride... a personal glow of warm friendship... when we send our Christmas Greeting to those who patronized our business the past year.

STONE MACHINERY CO.

J. I. Case Farm Machinery Sales—Service—Parts

Greetings and Best Wishes

To you who have been so considerate of us in the past and whose friendships we treasure immeasurably, we send these greetings. It is our sincere wish that you will call on us anytime that we may be of service to you.



COY AND WINIFRED DAVIS

Earl Bloxom

Best wishes for the Holidays!

It's a pleasure and a privilege at Christmastime to be able to set aside the cares and problems of our workaday world and extend our best wishes for a Merry Christmas to our friends and customers.

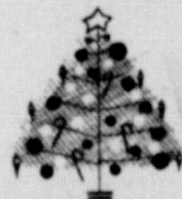
ALAMO SERVICE

V. P. and Doyle Fowler

Christmas Seals Fight TB...



... have You Bought Yours?



Not just "Thank You"... but warm and personal greetings and best wishes

FOR A

Merry Christmas

Carl's Jewelry and Watch Repair North Side Square Carl McIntush

SEASON'S Greetings



TO YOU... Our good and treasured friend

You will be very much in our thoughts as we pause to observe the Christmas Holidays. Your help and interest in making this a year of progress and accomplishment for us is deeply appreciated.

Our Christmas will be happier because you've been our friend, and from the bottom of our hearts we wish you a Merry Christmas.

CICERO SMITH LUMBER CO.

Gene Lindsey Floyd Edwards M. C. Roberts

Letters To Santa Claus

Newlin, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy 5 years old and have tried to be a pretty good boy this year.
Will you please bring me a pair of cowboy boots. Also some candy, fruit and nuts and anything else you would like for me to have.
Please don't forget all the other little boys and girls.
Love,
Randy Phillips
Lesley, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 6 years old. Please bring me a car and house trailer, a helicopter, a horse van, Roy Rogers gun and holster, a tool set and a basketball and goal.
I have a little sister this year who is 4 months old. Please bring her a jumper, bounce seat and a doll. Her name is Connie Sue.
Love,
Jimmy Carroll Fowler
Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 3 years old. I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me a Tiny Tears doll, some fruits, nuts and candy. Bring all the other children something, too. Don't forget my little nephew, Ricky Fulton, who lives in Quitaque.
Thank you very much,
Tammy Clayton

Colorful Gifts From The Kitchen



During the holiday season, nothing is more satisfying than preparing gifts in your own kitchen for friends and neighbors. It is often the unexpected and thoughtful gift that brings pleasure to others.
For youngsters, the Cookie Tree is fun. The tree itself is cut from a square of white plastic foam which you can get at the variety store or florist shop. First, cut a flat tree shape, then two half trees. These halves can be attached to the flat tree shape with rounded toothpicks to form a four-sided tree. The base is a five inch circle of foam. Attach the assembled tree to the base with toothpicks. Put glitter on the edges of the branches with white plastic glue.
Use your favorite cookie mixes or recipes and make the cookies about two inches across or less. Wrap them in transparent plastic wrap, attach a small piece of colorful ribbon to the back of the wrapped cookie with a bit of cellulose tape. Then arrange cookies on the tree with small pins. The cookies can be removed for eating, yet replacements can be easily attached. The plastic wrap will protect the cookies while they are on the tree and give them a holiday sparkle.
Candies can be attractively packaged in small plastic berry boxes. Place a plastic foam snowflake on top, then overwrap the box with plastic wrap.
Small fruit cakes can be baked in muffin cups and garnished with candied fruit. When these are wrapped they glisten and give a festive look to your gift.

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl seven years old. I have two little sisters, Susie and Terrie. Susie wants a dollie and some clothes and a big rubber ball. Terrie wants a dollie, also some blocks. Will you please bring them? And I need a new doll, too, with hair and some records for my record player. Don't forget all the other boys and girls.
Love to you,
Diane Henry
Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I would like a doll with high-top boots, one package of Grace Kelley paper doll.
I have been a good girl says my mother and father. I hope every little girl and boy in the world has a big X-mas.
I appreciate all of the gifts in the past year. Be sure and come to Memphis X-mas.
Love,
Vicki Hooser

Lewis Carroll made up "Alice in Wonderland" to amuse three small girls on a boating trip.
Charlotte Bronte published her famous novel, "Jane Eyre," under the pen name of Currer Bell.

BOB'S CAFE
Mr. and Mrs. Howard West

Your Holiday Dreams

Our wish for you
Season of Joyousness
and Good Will,
May your dreams for
happiness
all come true.

CORLEY'S BARBER SHOP

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 3 years old.
Would you please bring me a big dolly, some doll clothes, and Ronnie Keith and I a record player. Also please bring me some nuts and fruit.
Thank you,
Denise Phillips
Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a set of dishes, a doll, a skirt, a dress, doll clothes, a doll house, a watch, a stove, a refrigerator, an iron, a typewriter, a sewing machine, a washing machine, a kitchen cabinet, a piano, a phone, doll furniture, and a ring.
I am a little girl.
With love,
Wynema Graham

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am Jamie Hough. I am six years old. I have tried to be a good little girl. I want you to bring me a Cinderella watch, and I want it in a little high heel pack. I want a little buggy, and I want a doll bunk bed. And I want a queen doll. And I want a little combination washer and dryer.
Please bring me some candy, nuts and fruit.
I love you,
Jamie Kay Hough

Saying Merry Christmas is our way of saying "Thank you" to all our many customers and friends. We take this way of saying, "It has been good indeed to serve you during the year now passing... and in the future we hope to be of greater service." May you have a wonderfully happy Christmas!

WILLIAMS OIL CO.

Ralph Billy Stewart Mildred

JOY TO ALL

It's been wonderful having you for a friend and customer this year. You have enabled us to progress — you have inspired us to do a better job — and we are deeply grateful.
May you have a warm, bountiful Christmas...

HERB'S GROCERY
Herb Claude Opal

We Look Forward

to the joy that comes when friends and business associates pause to wish each other well...
A Merry, Merry Christmas To All...
Thank you for your patronage

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Will Writes from Austin

By WILL EHRLE
State Representative
88th District

Farm Program Due Change
With your permission I would like to stray from the state level this week and discuss some of our federal legislation and policies, namely that of the farm program. As evident that the present administration plans to continue and to further restrict our farm program, I want to quote from an article recently released from Washington.

Committee Wants Farmer Off Farm
Quoting: "Washington, (UP). The Committee for Economic Development called today for a land retirement program to get the small farmer off the farm and into other employment."

"Unlike the present soil bank plan, the CED said, the proposed land retirement plan would concentrate on getting whole farms out of production to assure reduced output and encourage movement out of agriculture."

"The CED is a committee of 150 business executives and scholars who work together to promote a high level of national employment and maximum economic growth." The above quotation was taken directly from the article. It would appear that at least the Republi-

can party has indicated what has been their real intention all along, get the farmers off the farm.

First Objection

My first objection to this policy is concerning the group which made it, "150 business executives and scholars," NOT A SINGLE FARMER IN THE WHOLE GROUP. I personally am all for big business. I believe in a capitalistic and free enterprise system. It means that you and I as customers get better goods at cheaper prices. However, I do object to the formation of farm policies by people, many of whom have never set foot on a farm.

We don't let farmers set the economic index for business; we don't let the livestock raisers set the federal policies for Health, Education, and Welfare. Then why should a group of "executives and scholars" set farm policies?

Second Objection

My second objection is that the administration approach to the farm program is all wrong. The farmer and the Texas oil man should get together because the inport of their respective products is the root of both their problems. I believe in supply and demand, but not on a free world market.

LAFF OF THE WEEK



"Sleep well last night, Benson?"

The oil man in this country and the farmers here should both be protected from excessive imports from other countries. If it were on a national basis, the supply and demand would soon equalize. However, as long as millions of bales of cotton are imported each year

the demand will get smaller and the supply larger.

Committee Report Says:

The committee's report went on to say: "The chronically poor farmer . . . might be encouraged to transfer to more suitable and profitable employment."

The way it works out, I guess, is that rich farmers get to stay while poor farmers have to seek "other employment."

Perhaps federal troops will even be sent down to make sure the "poor" farmers get off their land.

Nast, Early-Day Cartoonist, First Drew Santa Claus

STILLWATER—Santa Claus, a fellow who enjoys almost universal support, was first sketched as we know him today by Thomas Nast, creator of two far more controversial figures — the GOP elephant and the Democrat Donkey.

The famed cartoonist's drawings, showing Santa attired in red and accompanied by reindeer, appeared in Harper's weekly. It is the first known picture of the present day St. Nick, according to sources in the Oklahoma University library.

The original St. Nicholas, later to become patron saint of Russia, was bishop at Myra in Asia Minor, probably some time during the fourth century.

About 600 years after his death, reports of his legendary generosity were brought to Russia by Czar Vladimir and later spread his reindeer-drawn sled.

One of the legends about St. Nicholas' generosity gave rise to the custom of hanging stockings near the chimney on Christmas eve. It all began when St. Nick, the son of wealthy parents, gave his gold to girls without doweries by dropping it down chimneys.

One eager miss, so the story goes, hung her stockings in the chimney to catch the gold. Millions of youngsters have since followed her practice, thus adding another colorful tradition to the Christmas celebration.

Austin P.-T. A. Has Christmas Program, Hears Rev. Binkley

The Stephen F. Austin met Dec. 10 at the school with Mrs. Wendell Harrison and Mrs. Ace Gailey as hostesses.

The invocation was given by B. J. Thomson, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by the first grade.

"Why Do Bells on Christmas Ring" and "Christmas Prayer" were given by the first grade. In the second graders' part of the program, Sandy McQueen played two piano selections, "Jingle Bells" and "I'm Getting Nuttin' for Christmas," as well as "Up On the Housetop" and "Silent Night" were given by the group.

Rev. David Binkley delivered the Christmas message.

The attendance award was won by the second grade.

At the conclusion of the program, a social hour was enjoyed in the cafeteria, with refreshments of cookies, punch or coffee served.

Mmes. Shirley Patrick, C. C. Meacham, Gene Corley, and Johnnie Brewer visited in Amarillo Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. John Scott of McLean spent the weekend with his sister, Mrs. Dick Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Webster went to Houston Monday to spend the holidays with their son and family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McCool of Dumas visited his aunt, Mrs. Dick Watson, over the weekend.

Report From Washington

By Walter Rogers
Congressman, 18th District



S Rozhdetvom Khristouym!
Before you decide there is something wrong with our typewriter, let me explain that the above is a Russian translation of "Merry Christmas."

In this December, 1957, as an examination is being made throughout the world of so many aspects of the United States and the Soviet Union, I believe it is fitting that we not forget to examine the most vital factor which composes the two great powers of the earth. I speak of the people of Russia and America—the millions of individual human beings and the elements which motivate the actions of each of those individuals. With all the upheaval and unknown components attendant to man's entry into the Space Age, the answer will be, as it has always been, resolved in human beings. The answer at which we will arrive depends, I believe, upon the motivating spirit of the individual and the dignity he can at-

tain.
Consider Russia today, dominated by communism which manifests no God other than the god of force, of delusions and misunderstandings between peoples and ruthless desires to perpetuate these ideals in all lands of the earth. It is saddening to realize that the principles and ideals of the man whose birth we now celebrate cannot prosper in this atmosphere.

I would be the last to contend that all of us in America keep our halo properly polished, and I would be the first to affirm that the sense and spirit of Christmas prevail at this anniversary of the birth of the Prince of Peace. As a result, understanding and good will among our people is promoted and our faith in God, which was declared when our nation was born, is strengthened. It is heartening to observe American adherence to the traditions and ideals of Christmas, and it is my earnest

hope the above caption will signify "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace will toward men" is indeed in the hearts of all throughout the world.

Dr. and Mrs. Jack Baldwin of Amarillo visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin on their return from

Jimmy Morrison, who is in the U. S. Army, left on Dec. 7 for Germany to be stationed. Mrs. Morrison has taken a position with the Rock Oil Company in Amarillo.

Mrs. C. L. Wells and Cliff, Mrs. Marvin and Tom Wright, all of Amarillo, were in the home of Mrs. Claude Prather and Neva Graham Monday.

Paul Rowlett, graduate and Mrs. Claude Prather, were in Wichita, Kansas, he is serving in the Air Force.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer of Wichita Falls were in the weekend visiting his relatives.

A Rose for Jesus



It's a very difficult task to teach children that Christ is in each and every one of us for very few adults really seem to recognize that whatever you do for a fellow man you do to Christ. At Christmas-time in particular we pray for peace in the world, but do we really do very much to put peace in our own world? Do we really make an effort to stop family squabbles and neighborhood wrangles before they build into something big? To aid in teaching this lesson we might relate this story . . .

I looked up to see my boy standing in the back door, his hair just damp enough to curl back from his forehead. His cheeks flushed from play, and his blue eyes were shining with excitement. He held something behind his back in the age-old childhood manner of bearing a gift to one's mother. "Mother, guess what I found for you!" Bill produced the one lovely peace rose that had been growing on one of his daddy's bushes . . . After supper, lessons, and baths, the children settled down with me for our family prayers and story . . .

Now let's talk about the rose, for in lots of ways the rose is a picture of the spirit of Christmas. When God created the rose bush, He didn't give it much, just a few twigs and a bunch of thorns. With those twigs and thorns the rose bush produces the lovely fragrant flower that means love to nearly all people in every country of the world. The rose is rather a universal flower, and it carries its beautiful message of love to many hearts in many places. The rose makes its way to a humble cottage to bring cheer and joy. The rose finds its way into the sanctuary of God, there on the altar to pray in silence. The rose steals its way into the sickroom to soothe the pain. The rose appears on the casket to lessen the grief. The rose finds its way into the halls of palaces to give warmth to the cold walls. The rose rules over barbed wire to tone down the riotousness. The rose bush is equipped only with thorns and twigs. We are equipped with intelligence, understanding, conscience, speech, sight, hearing, and a heart, the organ of love. But are we instruments of peace on earth like the rose is? Do we have to apologize to the rose bush?

There's one more thought about the rose I want you to have. The rose gives freely of itself, not because it sees a need, recognizes worth, or seeks rewards. Now lately we've been talking about the fact that living doesn't mean just presents. I want you three children to learn to give of yourselves just like the rose gives its fragrance even when there are no passersby. Can we do something like that?

Bill looked puzzled. "Mother, how are we going to give when there's nobody to get?"

Kathy giggled at Bill and asked, "Mother, do you mean like saying the prayer in the morning that makes all your thoughts, words and deeds during the day a prayer?"

That's exactly what I mean, Kathy. Since we pray to be instruments of peace, this Christmas-time let's do some checking up on ourselves. Every time we keep an argument from starting we're picking a rose for Jesus . . .

There's no way of telling how far one little act of love, one little argument stopped, can and does reach, especially if it has been offered up as a Christmas gift to the Prince of Peace.

God has given us two hands—one to receive with and the other to give with. We are not cisterns made for hoarding; we are channels made for sharing. If we fail to fulfill this divine duty and privilege, we have missed the meaning of Christmas.

Leslies

It's an old American Custom TO WISH FRIENDS AND LOVED ONES MERRY CHRISTMAS

But each year we look forward to the occasion with more anticipation and eagerness because each year we find we have made many new friends whom we wish to remember and thank for their fine patronage.



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So now at this Holiday Season we want to express our sincere appreciation for the part you have played in helping us to attain any success we have enjoyed.

We will always do our best to justify your faith in us, and in our ability to serve you well.

In the Spirit of Christmas we wish you the finest kind of Holiday Season . . . with 1958 heaping full and running over with health, happiness and prosperity.

Sincerely your friends,

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Santa Claus Asked To Bring Wide Variety Of Presents

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good girl this year. I hope that everybody else has been good. I would like to have a bike for Christmas and a little woman doll. I would like to have anything. Be sure to leave something for the poor girls and boys.
Yours truly,
Regina

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I would like to have a truck, a guitar, and shot gun, and a wagon for Christmas.
Love,
Charles Sperry
Lakeview, Tex.

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 5 years old and I have been pretty good. I would like for you to bring me a coke machine, ice box, washing machine, cabinet, sink, stove, and record player, and my little sister who is named Ray Neil and is 4 months old would like to have a jumper, house shoes, and rattler. And bring lots of fruit, candy, and nuts.
And don't forget all of the other little boys and girls.
Your little friends,
Pernina and Ray Nell Martin

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I want a BB gun and a record player, and don't forget Sharon.
Love,
Alan and Sharon Gowdy

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am 8 years old. How old are you? I want a pair of guns, some boots, a guitar, cowboy hat, cowboy shirt, an airplane, an army tank, basketball, football, toy soldiers, machine guns, basketball rack, football suit. I will give you a dollar for Christmas.
Your friend,
Mike Lesley
P. S. Merry Christmas to all and to all a good night for me.

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
Please bring me a Madam Alexander doll, a gold baton, some games and records.
Don't forget the other little boys and girls and a Merry Christmas to you.
Love,
Melissa Barbee

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I want some army men and two little cars and a watch and a boy doll.
And some candy and nuts, and that is all, I guess.
I love you, Santa,
James

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I want a Timex watch and a wagon with sideboards. I guess that will be all except don't forget the other children.
Your friend,
Gayle Koening

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
We are two little boys and a little girl. We have been good children. We would like a truck and airplane and guns and caps. The little girl would like a baby doll, fruit and candy.
Thank you,
C. L. Howard and Oleta Perkins

Paducah, Tex.
Dear Santa,
I am a little boy nearly 5 years old. I have been fairly good this year. For Christmas I would like a white Bible, a bulldozer, and a gun and holster set, and anything else you would like to bring. Also, remember all the other little boys and girls, too. Bring my toys to my grandparents at Memphis, as I will be there.
Your little friend,
Hoy Max Spencer

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I want some dishes and a walking doll.
Your friend,
Carolyn Sue Ward

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like for you to bring me a drum and a baby buggy and a doll to go with it. Please bring me a baton and baton suit to go with it, and play money, too.
Your friend,
Cherri Rapp

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl age 6. I want a doll house but if you can't find one, bring me a set of dishes and some kind of game. Don't forget my little brother. He wants a gun. We love you very much.
Lenda and Donald Shawhart

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bride doll in a pink dress. I guess you would call it a bride's maid doll.
I am 10 years old and I am in the fourth grade. Santa, I believe in you. Some don't, though. I would like to have some clothes. My little brother wants a train from you. The reason he wants it is that he sees Casey Jones on television.
Yours truly,
Shyrel

Memphis, Rt. 1
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy 9 years old. I go to school at Lakeview, and am in the fourth grade. I have a nice teacher, Mrs. McElreath.
Please bring me a basketball and goal, a pair of boots, black cowboy hat, a game of some kind, and a Bible. Anything else I would appreciate. Don't forget the other kids.
Thank you,
Mike Nabers

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am 9 years and going on 10. My sister is 5. My mother, daddy, sister, and I got a record a month ago. I would like a Miss Revlon doll and a stuffed monkey. And my sister would like a Miss Revlon doll and a stuffed monkey, too.
Love,
Glenda and Cinda Maddox

Merry
Christmas



This Holiday season—may it be filled with high hopes and a spirit of confidence.

We extend heartfelt greetings and good wishes to all our friends in this area. And, come what may, we renew our pledge to continue to serve you to the best of our ability in the months to come.

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Christmas
Is a Family Affair



It is as it should be—many of us remember the happiest times in our lives—when our families came from far and wide to share this day of happiness; and so on Dec. 25, 1957, it is our hope that you find the wonderous spirit of Christmas in the heart of your family.

We are glad to join with other firms and individuals, in the spirit of the season, and wish everyone a...

MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR

We remember the part you have played in the progress and operation of this organization since it was established here. For this support we are truly grateful. We value your continued goodwill, and trust that we may merit it in the future.

Memphis Compress Co.

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Turkey

Letters To Santa Claus

Parnell, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 How are you? I am fine. I am a little girl five years of age. I have tried to be good this year. I would like for you to bring me a Bride dress so I can play dress up. I would also like a doll and a record player and anything else you have room for. My brother wants a typewriter. He is getting too big for toys. I will be home this year. My Grandmother and Grandfather are going to spend Christmas with us. Please bring them something, too.

Don't forget Vicky, Jake, Candace, Connie and all the other little girls and boys. Also please don't forget my Aunt Mae and Uncle Oren. I don't think Butch has been too bad so you might bring him something, and Bunky has been pretty good, too.
 I'll be looking for you Christmas.

Love,
 Debra Lynn Hawkins

Memphis, Tex.

Dear Santa,
 I would like to have a bicycle. My teacher, Mrs. Gurley, would like to have a dress. I would like one, too. My teacher always wears a pretty dress to school and I would like to show my teacher I can wear a pretty dress, too.

Yours truly,
 Sandra Shackelford

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 I am a little boy 7 years. I have been a pretty good boy this year. I would like for you to bring me a BB gun with BB's, a set of 52 games, and a bicycle. Also lots of candy, fruits, and nuts.
 My little niece, Rhonda, will be at my house for Christmas, so leave her presents with mine. Don't forget Mike, Pam, Pernina, and Ray Nell. Be good to my cousin, Sherry Davis, who lives in Fairbanks, Alaska.

Love from your friend,
 Mackie Nabers

Ordway, Colo.

Dear Santa,
 We're two little girls who live in Colorado but will be in Memphis for Christmas. I am almost 5 and would like to have a doll and a stove like mother's. My little sister, Lesley, is 2 and doesn't talk much but I think she wants a doll and please bring her a hammer toy to play with while I cook.

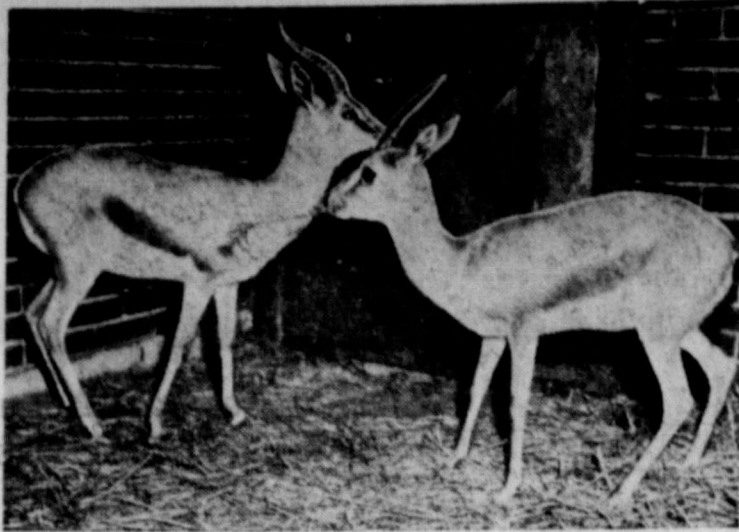
Don't forget all our little cousins and friends. We'll be looking for you at Granny's house.

Lots of love,
 Zella Jean & Lesley Kinard

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa,
 I am looking for you. Please bring me a gun set.

Your friend,
 Bob Tribble



RARE GAZELLES . . . Newly arrived at Chicago's Lincoln Park zoo, these Spekes gazelles are believed to be the only pair of this species in captivity.

Dear Santa,
 I am a little boy almost 5.
 I would like an Army set, a gun set, a belt, boots, cowboy hat, nuts, fruit and candy.
 Please don't forget my little cousin, Jeanette, and all the other boys and girls.

I love you,
 Danny Ray Martin

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
 I'm a little girl 2 years old. I have been pretty good this year. So would you please bring me a set of dishes and a tricycle. Also some fruits, nuts and candy.

Thank you,
 Joyce Ann Jeffries

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa,
 I'm looking for you. Please bring me a doll.

Your friend,
 Patsy

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa,
 Please bring me a record player, doll and paint set. I have tried to be a good little girl.

Love,
 Claudia Mac Corley

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa,
 I am a little girl 2 1/2 years old. I have tried to be good. Please bring me a doll, doll buggy, and table and chairs. Please be good to all the other little girls and boys in the world.

I love you,
 Nickie Sue Hood

Dear Santa Claus,
 I want two guns and holsters. Don't forget my brother and sisters.

Love,
 Rocky More

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa,
 I want a Tic-Tac-Toe game, cavalry set without fort, steam shovel with truck, U. S. Army set, and Eskimo jacket.

Love,
 Robby

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa,
 I want a fire engine for Christmas. Please get the other children what they want.

David Rose

Parnell, Texas

Dear Santa,
 I am a little girl six years old. I mind my Mommy, and Daddy, drink my milk and go to school every day. I would like to have a doll and doctor's set for Christmas. Please remember other little girls and boys and have Nonie and Cullin to come to see me.

Love,
 Katie House

Dear Santa Claus,
 I am four and a half years old, and my Mamma thinks I'm a pretty good little girl.

Would you please bring me a ballerina doll, and anything else you think I'd like to play with?
 I love you,
 Debbie Yarbrough

Dear Santa Claus,
 I'm a little boy four years old. I think I've been pretty good this year, but maybe I'll try to be just a little better.

I want a record player and little flashlight, and I sure would like to have a real cowboy suit.
 I love you,
 Randy Thomson

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
 I am a little girl eight years old. I am in the third grade. Please bring me a doll, a dress and some doll dresses.

With love,
 Sharon Dawkins

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa,
 Please bring me a boxing game, and a record player and some records. I want a bicycle.

Thank you,
 Lanny

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
 I am a little girl seven years old and in the 2nd grade. I have been pretty good. Will you please bring me a bear that drinks out of a cup, life like pony, football suit, football.

Love you,
 Teressa Carson

Dear Santa,
 My name is Tommy Lynn Hall, and I would like to have a bicycle, please. My little brother Bobby Lee wants a rocky horse. We have been pretty good this year.

Thank you,
 Tommy Lynn and Bobby Lee Hall

a
 Christmas
 Letter
 to
 our
 friends...



Dear Friends . . .
 Christmas is here!

As we look back on the days that have passed since Christmas last year, we realize it's been a wonderful year, filled with good memories and good friends. For that, we thank you.

We hope this Christmas is your happiest . . . we hope the Christmases to follow will be rich for you in health and happiness.

To you we say . . .
 a merry, merry Christmas.

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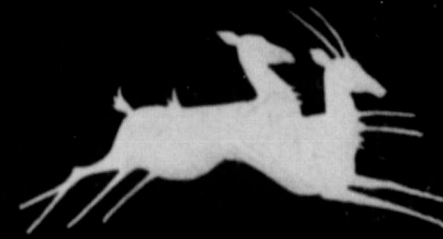
For your patronage and friendly good will we extend our sincere thanks and best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

C. T. SNOWDON

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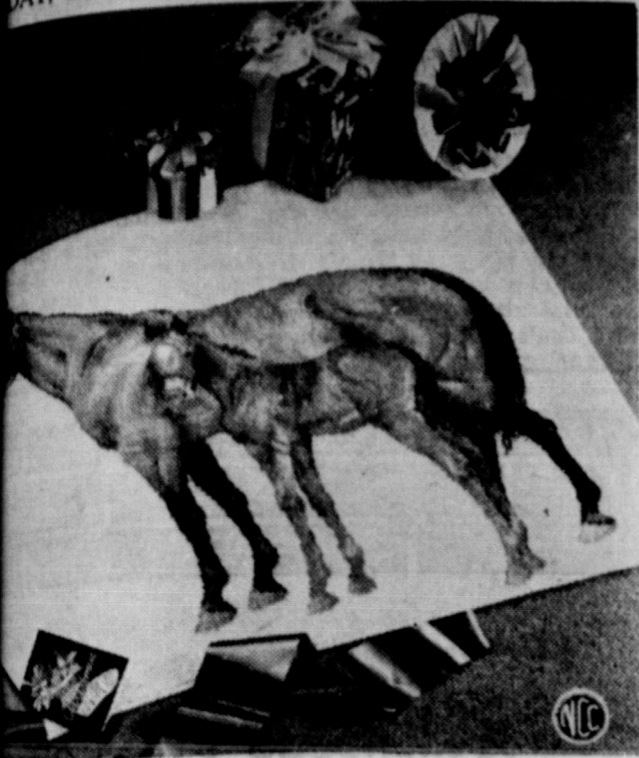
May we include our friendly wishes with the many others you have received

SEASON'S GREETINGS



BEESON CLEANERS





THE HORSEY SET—Pair of thoroughbreds, woven in colors on a soft cotton rug by Karastan, makes a horse fancie. Washable floor covering also can be a wall hanging. Other subjects in cotton rugs for the holidays include tigers, sailing ships, barber shop and quar-

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a walking bride doll and a bathanett.
Your friend,
Judy Burleson

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, jacks, dishes, table and chairs.
Your friend,
Tommie Peek

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle and an over-night case.
Your friend,
Tiny Wingo

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me an electric train, a monkey, and a parakeet for the family.
Your friend,
Fred Earl Snowdon

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I have been a good little girl this year, I think. So would you please bring me a bicycle, a small doll, and fruit, nuts and candy. I have two little brothers, so please think of them, too.
I love you,
Carolyn Saxon

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Will you please bring me a B-B gun and a tool set?
Thank you.
Your friend,
Robert Glyn Kennedy
P. S.: Please bring my little sister a doll, too.

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Terry Lee doll, some clothes, a can-can petticoat, a basketball, a bingo game, a record player, a pair of pixie shoes, and a watch.
Love,
Joan Davis

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl five years old and I am going to kindergarten this year. Please bring me a bride doll, doll house, a bicycle, also some skates for my doll. Remember all my little friends and my cousins who don't live in Memphis. If you have enough fruit, nuts, and candy, please fill my stocking.
I love you,
Lisa Kay McBee

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a baseball, and a pair of guns.
Your friend,
Bobby Luke Carroll

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a walking doll and three dolls, a baton and suit, bicycle and caterpillar, and carry-all.
Your friend,
Rebecca Hargesheimer

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a cowboy suit, a gun, and boots.
Your friend,
Larry Don Ivy

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bicycle for Xmas and I want some candy, nuts, oranges and an apple.
Jackie Row

HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON

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Letters To Santa Claus

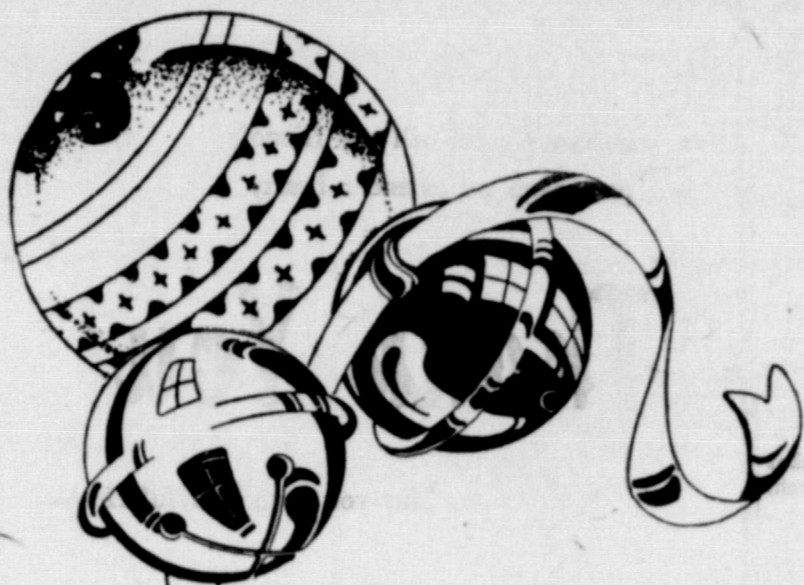
Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I like for you to bring for Christmas and some of my little brother some a car. I am 8 years old four.
We love you,
Shirley Jene Moore

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy 7 years old, and I have tried hard to be good. Please bring me a set of guns and a basketball. Also candy, nuts, and fruits. Don't forget the other little boys and girls.
Your little friend,
Joe David McWhorter

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like Dialmaster telephone, Walking Ballerina Doll with wardrobe, house shoes, and Snap-A-Part jewelry.
With love,
Linda Walls

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I would like a diaperbag and a Twinkle Tears doll with her own bathinette, and a set of dishes.
Love,
Patty Adams

Memphis, Tex.
Dear Santa,
I would like a doll, some dishes, a Bible, some jacks and and bath and a bag for my doll.
Your friend,
Judy Moore



To Everyone

The Yuletide Season offers a magnificent opportunity for us to express our heartfelt appreciation of all the fine things that have been ours to enjoy during the past year, chief among which is the splendid patronage that you have given us. Your consideration has made it possible for this firm to have a successful year from the standpoint of material gain, of growth and service, of acquisition of new and valued associations and of maintenance of old friendships. It will be our purpose to merit continued good will in the years to come.

Thank You...

We are not without grateful humility when thinking of the splendid patronage that has been ours, and we wish to thank each of you for whatever part you may have had in making possible the progress of this firm.



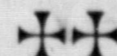
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Letters To Santa Claus

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa, I have tried to be a good girl this year.

Please bring me a Doreena Ballet doll set and a doll high chair for Christmas. Please remember all of my friends.

Love,
Kay Coppedge

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a bicycle and a cash register and a desk and a pair of guns, candy, nuts, oranges and an apple.

Rex Row

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a boy of four years old. Please bring me a little red wagon, a tractor with a bulldozer, and a big sack of candy.

Don't forget my little nephew, James Clifton Widener. Please bring him a pair of boots and Levis.

Thank you very much,
Rickey Dale Widener

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus, I would like to have a doll 19 inches tall with clothes and suitcase, with rooted saran hair, with high heels, flatties and real slippers. My brothers would like to have a guitar a-piece.

Yours truly,
Alinda

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus, I would like to have a football, blackboard, two Roy Rogers guns, bicycle, and a record player with some records. Guess that is all for this time. Don't forget all the other boys and girls and don't forget my little brother. He wants something nice, too.

Love,
Albert Ray Stone

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa, I would like a record player and many good records. I would like a flash camera, flash bulbs and some rolls of film. And I would like some doll furniture in gold. Don't forget my little brother, age 9 1/2.

Yours truly,
Glenda Lee Bruce



TIGER — Off-beat gift is Jungle Rug sleeping bag made of washable cotton corduroy. Kids play on, in and under it, watch TV, and cuddle inside for a nap with tiger's head as pillow.

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus, I want a doll and some pretty dresses for Christmas and a hair brush. I have been a good girl for my mother.

Lillie Ann Morrow

Dear Santa Claus,

I am almost 7 years old and have been a good girl. I want a Francine doll. I also want a Bathinet and I want a suitcase.

Thank you,
Becky Coley

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa,

I have been a good little boy and I would like very much for you to bring me a new coat, suit, and also a pair of cowboy boots, and lots of candy, nuts, and fruit. Also I have a little brother who would like a big toy truck. His name is Danny Lee.

Your little friend,
Timmy Freelen

Dear Santa,

I want some skates, a monopoly game, a doll buggy, a pair of pedal pushers and a bicycle.

Your friend,
Sandra Guthrie

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

Please do not bring me anything.

With love,
Kay Miller

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa,

I'm a little boy 10 years old. I have been a pretty good boy this year. Please bring me an electric freight train. Eddie wants you to bring him a baseball glove. Be sure it's Wally Post endorsed pro model. I would like a BB gun, too. Also fruit, nuts, and candy.

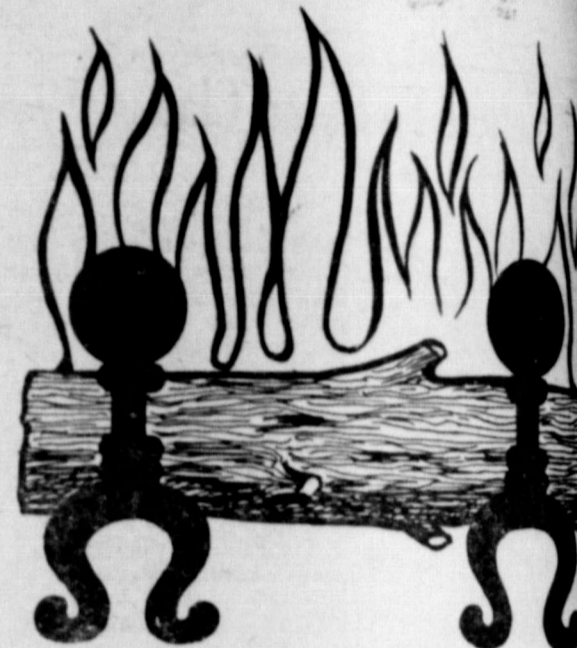
Your friend,
Jeff Dale Moore

Memphis, Texas
Here it is Christmas again, so I guess I had better tell you what I want and also for my little brothers, too.

I am 8 years old and in the second grade and I would like for you to bring me a watch and my little brother, Gary Dale, wants a cowboy suit and guns. My big sister, Sue, also wants a watch. We have tried to be good, Santa. Please don't forget all the other

little boys and girls, too. Christmas, Santa, Love, Janie Rose, Gary Dale, Memphis, Dear Santa, Please bring a B-B gun, shoots B-B's and a B-B gun, shoots B-B's, pellets, darts. Your friend, Tommy

Warmest Wishes For a Merry Christmas



O. K. TIRE STORE

Bill Lowe

Noel & 7th

For your good will and friendly patronage we extend a hearty

Thank You

May you have a Joyful Holiday



LINER'S WRECKING YARD

MERRY CHRISTMAS

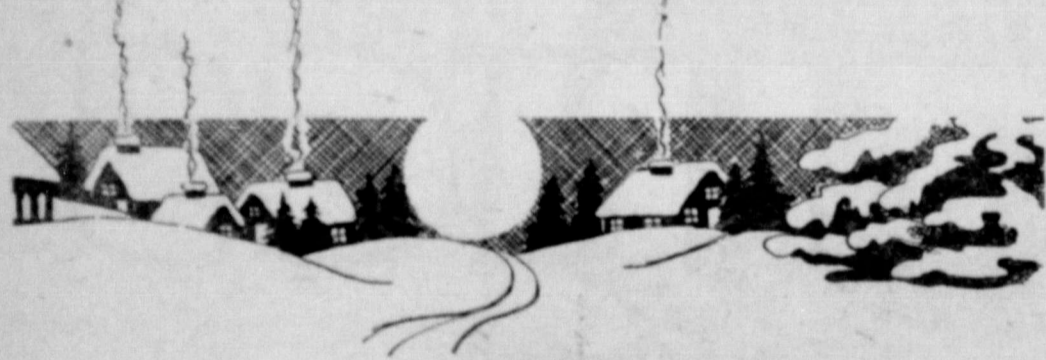


SELBY SHOE SHOP

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hays

Thank you, friends and neighbors, for your fine cooperation and helpful courtesy in the past year. We look forward to a bright future and hope you will receive a generous share of the good will and happiness so much in evidence today.

HOLIDAY GREETING



So now at this Holiday Season we want to express our sincere appreciation for the part you have played in making our business what it is today. We will always do our best to justify your faith in us, and in our ability to serve you well.

In the Spirit of Christmas we wish you the finest kind of a Holiday Season.

Hickey Motor Company

Phone 289

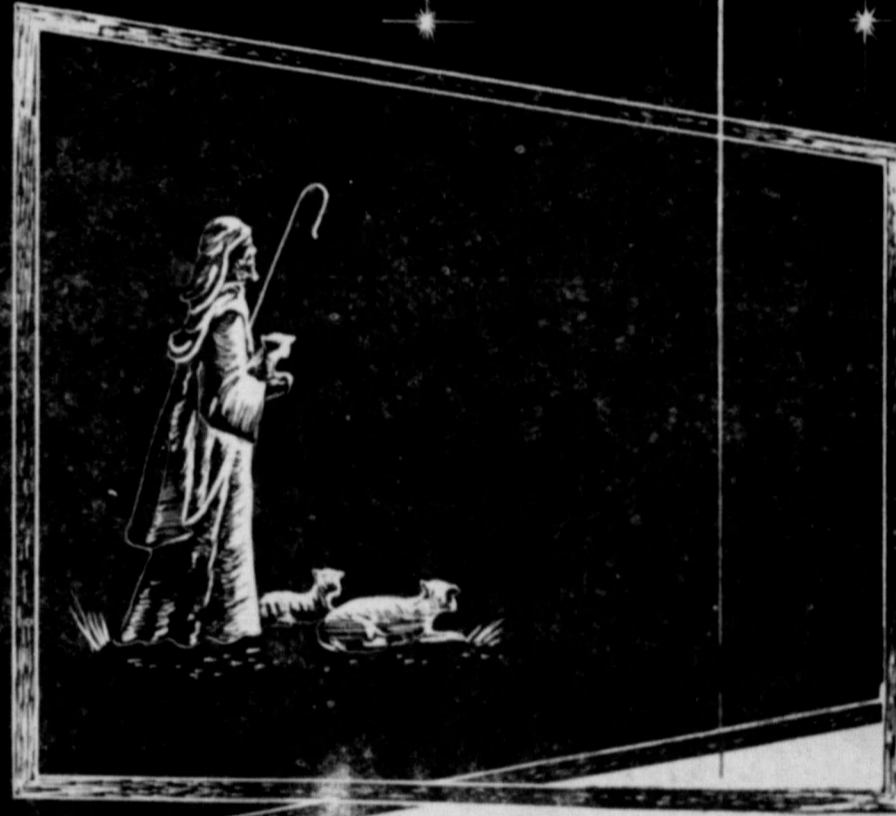
8th & Main

through 20 centuries

Through twenty centuries, the hope of Peace, born in a manger in Bethlehem, has been the star that guides mankind.

Teaching Peace and Love, this spirit has passed down to each family . . . drawing them close together at this season, although separated by many miles.

In this Holiest of Seasons, may you and yours enjoy this promise of Peace and Good Will on earth.



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LAVEVIEW—James Skinner

BRICE—J. W. Hatley
ESTELLINE—Helen Clifton

Letters To Santa Claus

Santa Claus,
I want a trumpet, a lariat rope,
a B-B gun and a rocket
for Christmas.
Please do not forget my little
Phyllis. She wants a doll
for bed.
Remember all the other boys
and girls.

Love,
Keith Morris

Santa Claus,
My name is Dale and I have
a good boy.
I would like a record player,
a "Comb" record, Doctor
tool kit. And please fill
my bag with goodies.
Remember, bring Mommy and
something.

Love,
Dale

Santa Claus,
I want a walking doll that can
talk that will be all.
Your friend,
Carolyn Knox

Dear Santa,
I'm a little boy 4 years old. I've
been as good as can be expected.
So would you bring me a train,
football, and dart gun. Also bring
my baby brother Timmy a rock-
ing chair, and some small toys.
Don't forget the fruit, nuts and
candy.

We love you,
Joe Don and
Timmy Saxon

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm a little girl 4½ years old.
I have been a good girl and would
like for you to bring me a Bal-
lerina doll, doll house, telephone,
and a record player.

Be sure and remember all the
other little girls and boys.

Love,
Debbie Ann Odum
Memphis, Texas

Memphis, Tex.

Dear Santa Claus,
I only want one thing for Christ-
mas and that is a .22. I'm like
David. I know you're trying to
make us believe you're real. If
you are real why don't I see you
when I sit up all night on Christ-
mas night?

Your friend,
Hayden Shockley

Holiday Cream Fudge Adds New Meaning To Christmas Giving



Noah Webster must have been something of an Ebenezer Scrooge to judge by his definition of fudge. Mr. Webster's dictionary calls it a "soft, sugary candy containing chocolate and nuts." And then he stops, leaving out the most important part—the fun of making or receiving a boxful for Christmas.

And if you're using this fudge recipe, you'll be preparing an extra batch to nibble on at home. The evaporated milk, blended with marshmallow and semi-sweet chocolate morsels, guarantees a creamy texture and rich flavor that will keep you in the kitchen making fudge all during next year, too. The fudge can be made in just a few minutes, and chances are that all the ingredients—including a can of evaporated milk—are on hand at all times. If not, they will be—after you've made your first batch.

Holiday Cream Fudge

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|---------------------------------|---|
| ½ cup evaporated milk | ¼ teaspoon salt |
| 1 8-ounce jar marshmallow cream | 1 12-ounce package semi-sweet chocolate morsels |
| ½ cup butter | 1 teaspoon vanilla |
| 1½ cup sugar | ½ cup chopped Brazil nuts |

Combine evaporated milk, marshmallow cream, butter, sugar and salt in saucepan and bring to full boil stirring constantly. Boil five minutes over moderate heat, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; add semi-sweet chocolate morsels, vanilla and nuts. Stir until chocolate is melted. Pour into greased pan 8x8x2 inches. Chill until firm. YIELD: Approximately 2¼ pounds.

Lakeview, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a Dialmaster Telephone, walking ballerina doll with wardrobe, house shoes, and a snap-a-part jewelry set.

Please bring my little brother, Tommy, a Popeye, the waiter, tricycle, little station with cars, and roller ring.

With love,
Maurice Walls

Fifty years ago TB meant almost certain death. Today it can be cured, but TB kills 15,000 Americans every year.

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a red watch and a garnet birthstone ring, a new bedspread for my bed, and some clothes for Terri Lee.

Maybe you cannot bring all of these, but please bring what you can.

Phyllis Dunn
P. S. Merry Christmas to all.

Actuary, which now denotes an insurance mathematician, originally referred to Roman News reporters who recorded the "acts of the day".



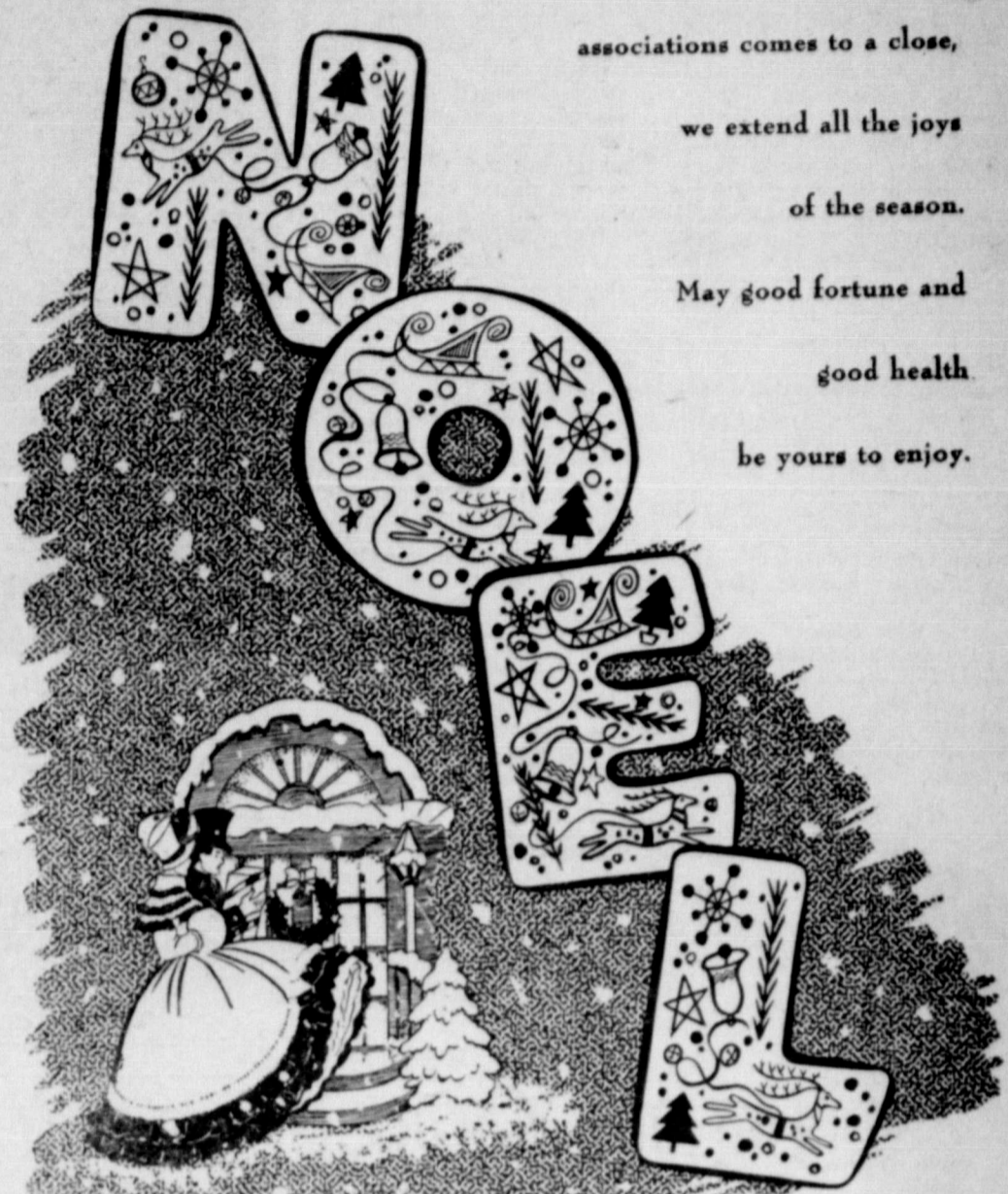
Joyous Christmas Wishes

The merry season is at hand
and we hope it contains
a multitude of blessings for each of you.

Thank you for your patronage
and good will

MEMPHIS DRY CLEANERS

As another year of very pleasant
associations comes to a close,
we extend all the joys
of the season.
May good fortune and
good health
be yours to enjoy.

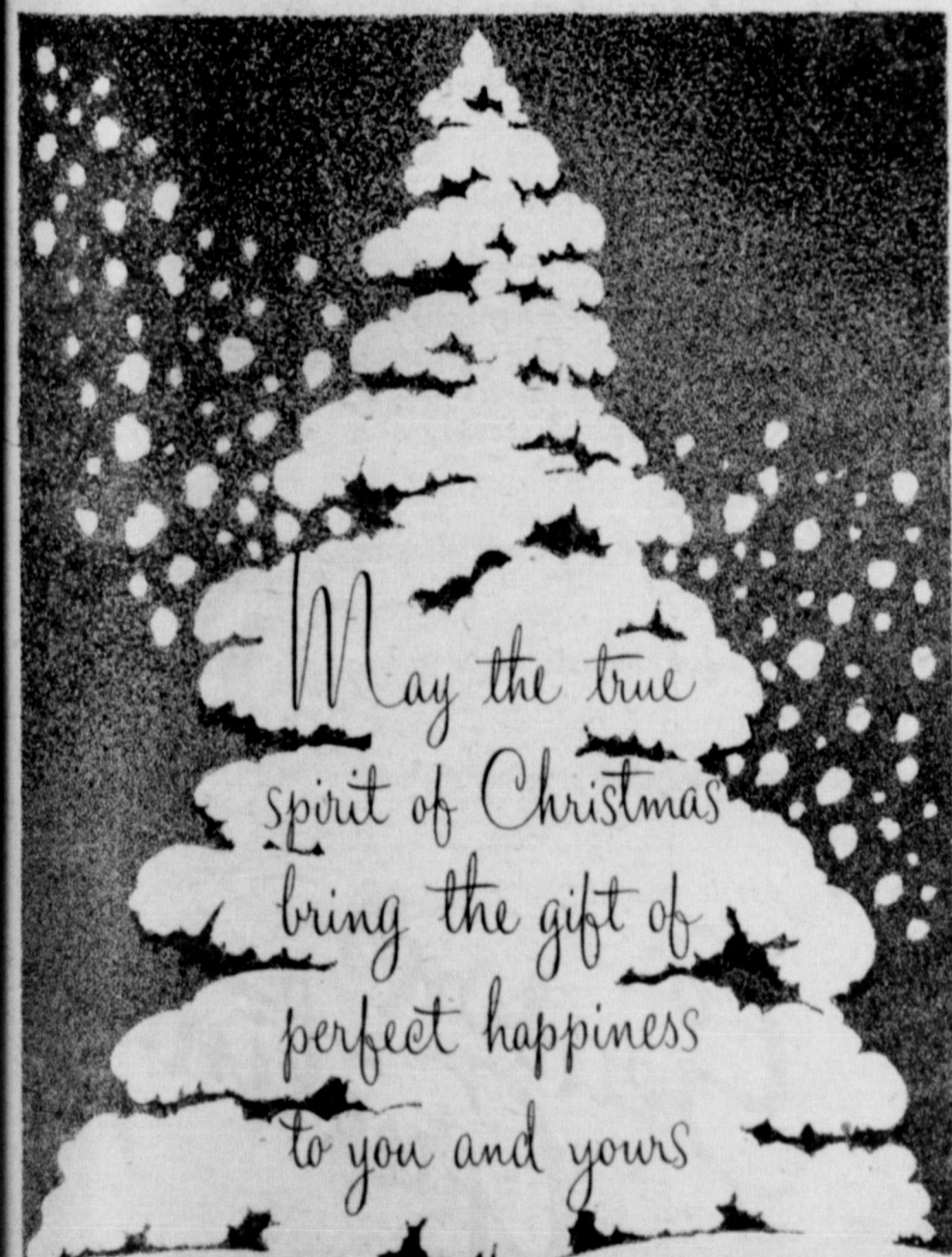


Best wishes for the Holidays

LEMONS FURNITURE CO.

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May the true
spirit of Christmas
bring the gift of
perfect happiness
to you and yours

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

POPULAR DRY GOODS

"The House of Better Values"



Christmas

We want to send our sincere ...

THANK YOU

... your way.

At this Joyous Season, we find ourselves
thinking of old friends... those who have
meant so much to us through the years...
and those who have become our friends
since Christmastide last passed this way.



EVERY GOOD WISH FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Potts Chevrolet Company

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Homer Burleson

Bud Lemmon

L. O. Denis

Earnie Anthony

Homer W. Tucker

Orlis Wheeler

Letters To Santa Claus

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I want a hat, a ball, a cowboy shirt, a boat, a jeep and a guitar. I am seven years old. I think I have been good.
Your friend,
Jerry Don Dugger

Brice Station
Clarendon, Texas
Dear Santa,
I would like to have a watch for Christmas. I also would like to have a pair of boots and a car coat. And I want a wave set. See you soon.
Your friend,
Wyvon

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bride doll and a dish set.
Your friend,
Sharon Gilchrest

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am looking for you.
Please bring me a record player.
Your friend,
Odell Gilchrest

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I want you to bring me a doll with pajamas. Don't forget other boys and girls.
Love,
Jeanne Weaver

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am looking for you.
Please bring me a doll.
Your friend,
Holly

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl in the third grade and I have been a good girl this year.
Please bring me a Tiny Tear doll, record player and a pair of skates.
With love,
Jeanie Anthony

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I want a football helmet, a B. B. gun and horse.
Your friend,
Paul J. Smith

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I want a B. B. gun and some B. B.'s, too. Please bring my little brother some toys.
Don Proffitt

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy 8 years old. I want a record player, football suit, cowboy hat, and cowboy boots.
Love,
James Ray Edwards



GIFT TABLECLOTH — A Christmas gift for all in the home to enjoy is a charming circular tablecloth of Everglaze cotton chintz in a lovely border print. The lady of the house wears a festive at-home coat in Everglaze cotton, styled by Stella Fagin.

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good girl. I am eight years old. I would like to have a little radio and some little doll clothes.
Your friend,
Jayne McElreath

Dear Santa,
I want a scabbard and a scooter, and a Cathy doll and a bow and arrow.
Santa, I want to know if you would bring all my toys?
Love,
Kim

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring some clothes for Christmas.
I have been a very good girl. I am in the third grade.
With love,
Iva Mae Hawthorne

Abernathy, Texas
Dear Santa,
I want a doll with shoes!
Tanja Ann Lindley
Age 2

Dear Santa,
Please bring us a doll-house, some paper dolls, and candy.
We have been good girls. Please don't forget the other little children, too.
We love you,
Nina Wren and Perry Jo Glover

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a doll of dishes, and a table and chairs for Christmas.
Love,
Margaret S.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll and a doll and a typewriter for Christmas. I would like some nuts and dy, oranges and apples.
Merry Christmas to all.
Rena Jerry

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a filling station, horn, funny pillow. My little sister, Janet, would like a baby with a bottle and a bed to put it in, and a baby stroller. Remember all the other little boys and girls, too.
Your friend,
Alan McNally

Hereford, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Nitey-Nite Doll and Dolly Hi-chair and a cupboard for my dishes.
Don't forget my brother and little playmate.
Thank you,
Jami Kay Bownds

a special christmas message



for you...

For your past favors and good will... for your friendship which we value so highly... for a wish of happiness in the future, we extend our best wishes for this special season.

Hughs Battery & Elec. Service

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Joy and Peace at Christmas

May Christmas bring those richest gifts of peace and joy to you
HIGHLAND MERCANTILE CO.
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Barnes

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a football, a Cyclone jacket, a gold and black football helmet with a nose guard on it, and please bring me some boots.
With love,
Orval Melton Weddel

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am eight years old and I hope that I have been a good boy.
Please bring me a real live horse and the claw.
With love,
Gerry Knight

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a girl in the third grade. I have tried to be a good girl this year.
Please bring me a Betsy Wetsy doll and clothes, skates, a bicycle basket, and a Singer sewing machine.
Love,
Suzette Smithee

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am nine years old. Please bring me a can-can slip, a velvet skirt, a white blouse, two pairs of blue jeans and two shirts. We are having fun in the third grade.
With love,
Jerita Freeman

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am looking for you. Please bring me some jewelry.
Your friend,
Susan Booth

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am an eight-year-old girl. Would you please bring me a high heel doll, a baton, and skates? I have been a very good girl. See you Thursday.
With love,
Laura Sue Moss

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a watch and a record player. I am 7 years old.
Your friend,
Harriet Watts

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl in the third grade. I am ten years old.
Santa, please bring me a new dress, an overnight kit, a necklace, and a cancan.
With love,
Shirley Jarrell

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a B-B gun and candy and nuts and a Roy Rogers gun for Christmas.
Your friend,
Roy Whitehead

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 7 years old. Please bring me a set of guns and if you have any roller skates please leave a pair also. I want some nuts, fruit and candy, too.
I love you,
Joe Temp Lavender

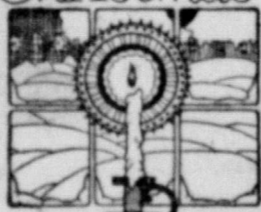
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a watch and a pair of pixie shoes.
Remember all the boys and girls.
Love,
Mary Ann Lemons
Merry Christmas.



May every joy of the Christmas season be yours and may the New Year bring you happiness

SAIED'S

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas



We are indeed thankful for the friendships of those about us and the happiness that has come to us as a result of these associations. May this Christmas favor you with a season of genuine happiness and content.

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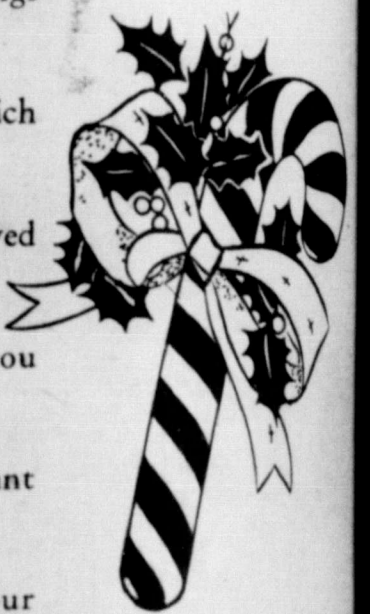
Lee Brown

PeeWee Simmons

WISHING YOU
JOY AND HAPPINESS
NOT ONLY AT
CHRISTMASTIME BUT
EVERY DAY OF THE
NEW YEAR

Model Auto
Service
Harry Aspgren

We take the opportunity offered by this Holiday Season to express to you the feelings of good will and appreciation with which we regard our association. We have enjoyed very much the pleasure of serving you during the past year and hope our pleasant relationship can long continue. It is our earnest wish that all that is good shall be yours this Yuletide season.



Season's Greetings

MEMPHIS
PRODUCTION CREDIT ASSOCIATION



ME FOR BLIND . . . Born blind, 4-year-old Petraglia triplets, Gail and Donna break ground for new home in Bronx, N. Y., as dad and mother assist. Materials and labor will be free.

Letters To Santa Claus

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus,
 I am a little girl 4 1/2 years old. I've been a pretty good girl this year. Would you please bring me a doll house, a doll and a watch. Please remember all the little boys and girls.
 Love,
 Dana Kesterson

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus,
 I am a little girl in the third grade and I am eight years old. I have tried to be a good girl this year.
 I would like a bicycle and a can slip for Christmas.
 With all my love,
 Janet Coleman

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus,
 Please bring me a TV, a wagon, an airplane, and a cow.
 Your friend,
 Ernest Parker

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 I want a play telephone, a car, a dummy.
 Clarence Melton
 Bring me a gun holster.

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 I would like a Bride doll, and a watch.
 Love,
 Phylis

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 I am a little boy 7 years old. I would like for you to bring me a truck, and some shoes. And please me a gun and nuts. Please don't forget the other boys and girls.
 Love,
 Mike Bloxom

Memphis, Texas
 Dec. 10, 1957
 Dear Santa Claus,
 I am looking for you. Please bring me a bicycle.
 Your friend,
 Sandra McQueen

Memphis, Texas
 Dec. 10, 1957
 Dear Santa Claus,
 Please bring me a Jill doll, Clothes, an onyx ring, and a doll craft kit.
 With love,
 Rita Yarbrough

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 Please bring me a football, guitar, a gun, boots and a black hat.
 Duaine Gilchrest

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 I am looking for you. Please bring me a bicycle.
 Your friend,
 Charlotte Jones

Memphis, Texas
 Dec. 10, 1957
 Dear Santa,
 I try to be a good girl. I am 9 years old. I want a record player and a pair of skates. My little sister wants a bicycle.
 Your friend,
 Charlotte Jones

Memphis, Texas
 Dec. 10, 1957
 Dear Santa,
 I am looking for you. Please bring me a bicycle.
 Your friend,
 Sandra McQueen

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 Sandra McQueen

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 I am a little boy almost four years old. I think I have been a pretty good boy this year. I would like for you to bring me a Roy Rogers Cowboy suit, guns, boots and hat. Please don't forget my sisters, my nieces Vicky Clark and Cheryl Ann Brown, & my nephew Robbie Clark Jr. Don't forget all the other little boys and girls also bring me some fruit, nuts and candy.
 A friend,
 Junior Kennon

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 I would like a pair of black boots. My brother would like a tricycle.
 Love,
 Ronnie and Randy Ward

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus,
 I am in the fourth grade. I am nine years old. I would like a ballerina doll, and a dictionary for Christmas, please.
 Yours truly,
 Susan McQueen

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 I would like very much for you to visit my house again this year. I have been pretty good.
 Please bring me a "Kay" doll, doll trunk, zipper note book, baton and dishes.
 Please visit all the other little boys and girls everywhere.
 Your little friend,
 Camilla Lemons

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus,
 I am Donna Sims. I will soon be 8. I just moved to Memphis from Oklahoma. I want a little bride doll.
 Love,
 Donna

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Daddy Santa Claus,
 I want an electric football set, a BB gun, a dog's collar and a raybee shot for a dog.
 Your dear friend,
 Larry Parks

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 Please bring me a bicycle, and please bring my brothers Tommy Lynn and Bobby Lee a bicycle and a tricycle. We would like some candy and fruit, too.
 Thank you,
 Jerry Don Hall

Season's Greetings

TO OUR MANY GOOD FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS OF THIS FINE COMMUNITY

MILLER MATTRESS FACTORY
 Red Ball Motor Freight Lines, Inc.

EACH year we welcome the opportunity which the Christmas season offers to express our appreciation for that measure of good will and confidence which we enjoy from you. Having you as one of our friends and being privileged to serve you in a business way will inspire us to greater effort so that we may continue to merit this consideration.

For your friendship . . . for your liberal patronage . . . for your important part in the community life of the people of this area . . . we say "thanks." Your loyalty and confidence are invaluable and it's good to know that our community is made up of such fine folk.

It is our hope that your every Christmas wish will be granted and may it be a most wonderful occasion for you and yours.



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Memphis, Texas

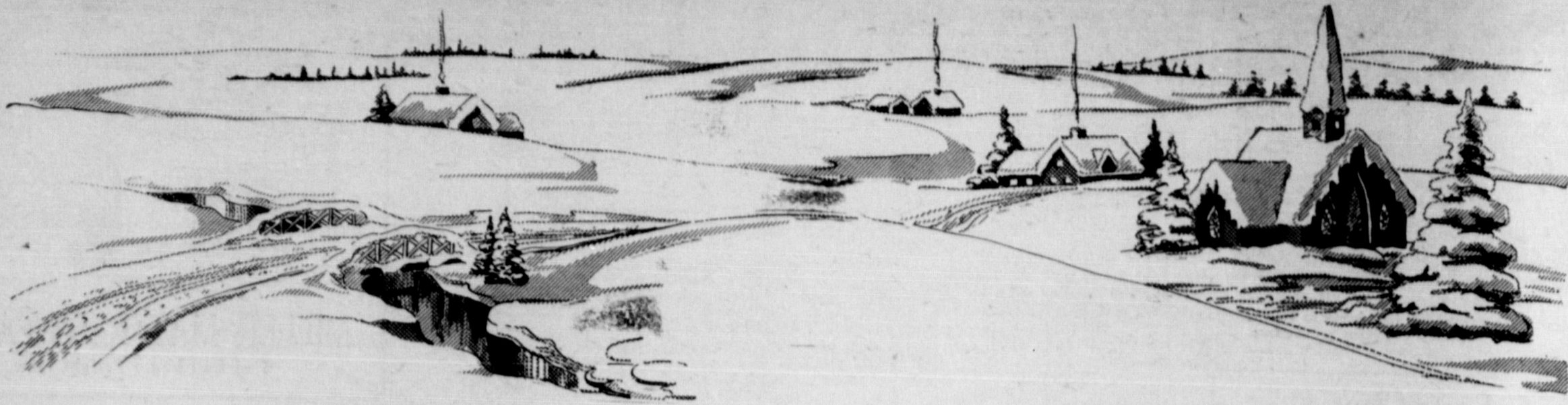
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Better friends we could not wish for . . . nor a happier occasion than this Christmas to wish them joy, success and happiness. Thank you for your friendships and loyalty.

BALDWIN'S



To each of us, Christmas has a very special significance . . . it may be a combination of things traditional and things spiritual. But, in our own heart, we celebrate the occasion in some way or another manifesting love for our fellowman. It is a predominating factor that is important to the real significance of the Christmas season.

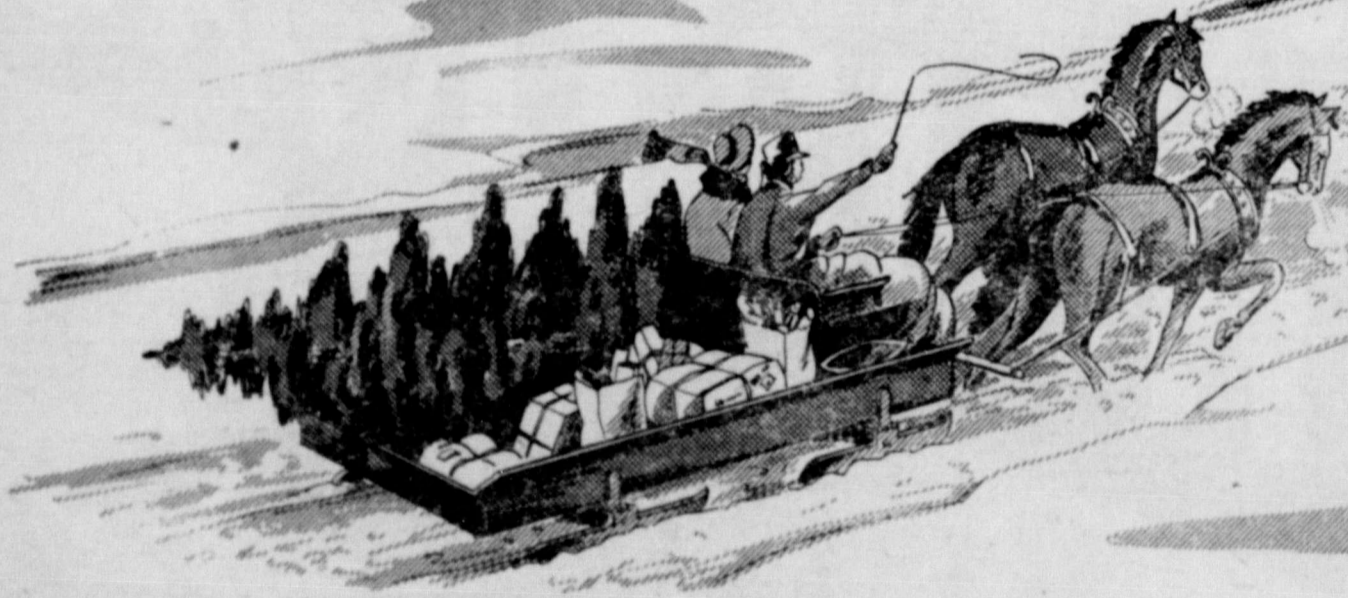
This is as it should be . . . we are dependent one to another. During the year we are inclined to take for granted the friendship and loyalty and courtesies of our fellowman. There is a tendency to accept these relationships at all times, gratefully and humbly, but without proper recognition to their value.

That's why, at Christmastime, we traditionally send Season's Best to each of you. We can, through these greetings, express in a small measure the true appreciation we have for the thoughtfulness of the wonderful people of this community. It is a privilege to serve you and we pledge to strive continually to merit a continuation of your friendship and patronage.

Yes, we are grateful for people like you . . . for a community such as ours. We ask for no greater! We value your loyalty, and in the tradition of Christmas we humbly express our greetings to the host of friends in this area. Merry Christmas to one and all.



The Wonderful Tradition of CHRISTMAS



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