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Town Is Ready for Holiday



POPULAR FELLOW — Santa was a popular fellow at last Saturday's Christmas party, as can be seen by the crowd gathered around him. Lots of candy was passed out by the red suited gentlemen to all the kids who came by to see him.

Coahoma Wins RL Tournament

Coahoma took championship honors in both boys and girls divisions of the annual basketball tournament held here last weekend.

In the girls portion of the tournament, Fursan was runner-up; Sands placed third and Bronte took consolation. Coahoma defeated Forsan 48-39 in the championship game.

Sands boys team placed second, followed by Roscoe in third place and Sterling boys won consolation. In the boys championship, Coahoma edged Sands 88-87.

Named to the boys all-tournament team were: David Pitts, Roscoe; Keith Pherigo and Roland Beal, both of Coahoma; Billy Beall, Sands; Johnny Wolfe, Robert Lee; Clark Kilpatrick, Sterling City; Kenny Head, Roscoe; Mike Arrott, Bronte; Stan Smith, Sands; and Philip Medlin, Forsan.

Forwards on the girls all-tournament team were: Theresa Beal, Coahoma; Cathy Woods, Roscoe; Brenda Dowley, Forsan; Janette Nichols, Sands; Sherry Griffin, Coahoma; and Michelle Golson, Bronte.

Guards named were: Gin Snead, Bronte; Debby Hendry,

Bickley Win First For Decorations

School Supt. Jimmy Bickley's home won first place in the Christmas decorations contest. Judging was done last weekend. The contest is sponsored by the BCD. First prize was \$15.

Taking second place prize of \$10 was the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Trimble. Third place and a \$5 prize went to Mr. and Mrs. Cumbie Ivey Jr.

Winning in the business division of the contest were 1. Ivey Motor Co.; 2. City Hall; and 3. Dawn Floral and Specialty Shop. No cash prizes were awarded in the business division.

Most Robert Lee business will be closed for the Christmas holiday Saturday and several have announced other closing schedules.

Offices in the courthouse will be closed Friday, Dec. 24, as well as Christmas Day and Sunday.

Others who will close Friday through Sunday include Robert Lee State Bank, City Hall, Froggy's and Adams Abstract Co.

The post office will close at noon Friday for the remainder of the weekend. The City Tax Office will be closed Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Ivey Motor Co. and Vaughn Chevrolet will be closed Friday afternoon, Saturday and Sunday.

Closing Saturday and Sunday only will be Western Auto, Baker's Grocery, Snead Pharmacy, Reach's, West Way Grocery, Gordon's Variety Store and Bahlan Cleaners.

Mathews Lumber & Hardware will be closed Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Robert Lee Observer will close at noon Thursday (today) for the

remainder of the weekend and will be open only part time for the most of next week. Persons having business with this office when it is closed are asked to contact Mrs. J. C. Wallace Jr. or Ben Oglesby in Bronte.

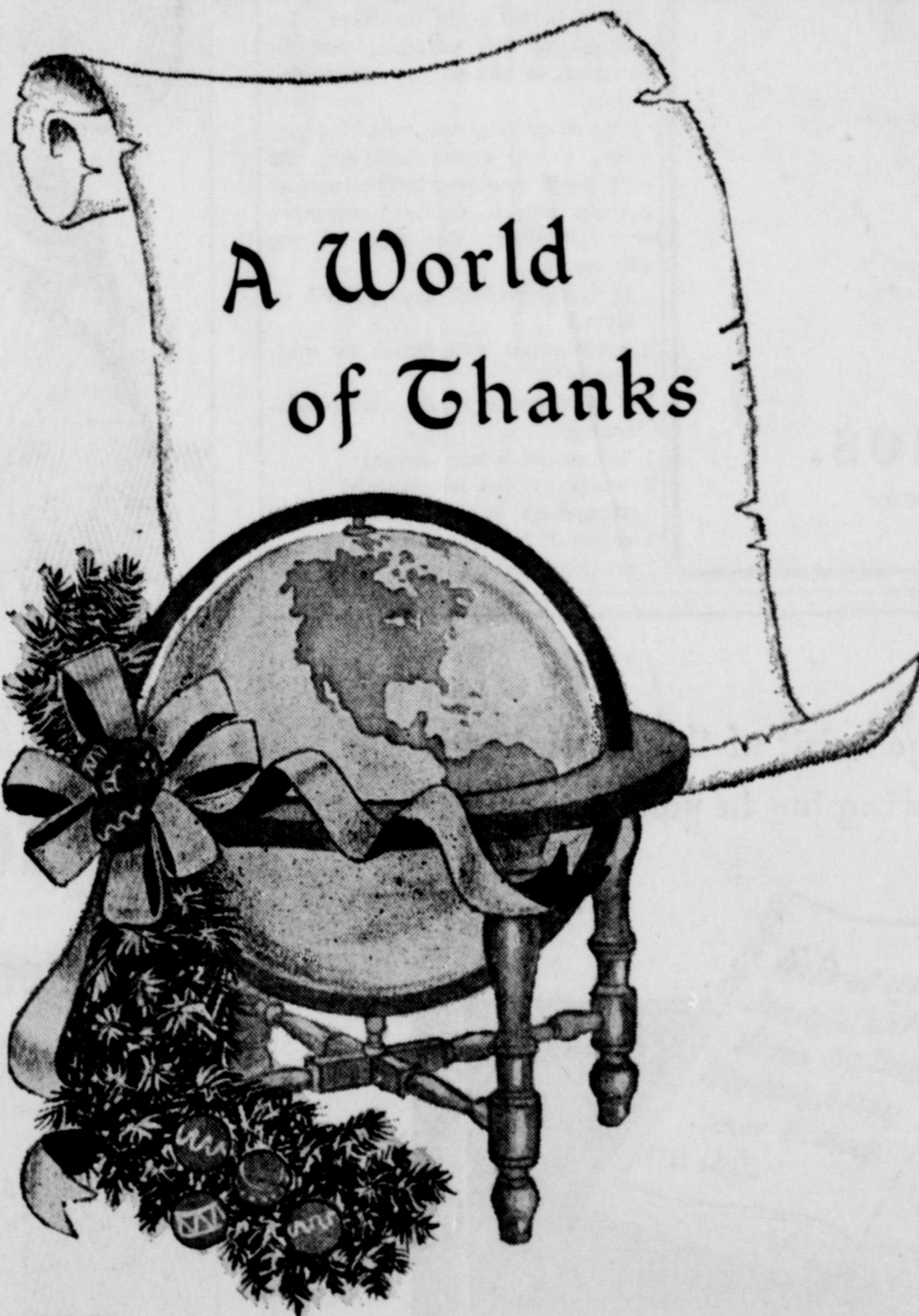
Schools were turned out Tuesday for the Christmas holidays, and classes will resume on Monday, Jan. 3.

Many family gatherings and holiday trips were being planned for the holiday.



RATHER PLEASED — Geneece Stella Killam, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Killam, has a rather pleased expression

after Santa had held her in his arms and talked to her. It happened at the BCD sponsored Christmas party last Saturday.



for your loyalty... for your friendship... for giving us the privilege and pleasure of serving you. We hope your Yuletide Season is wonderfully filled with the most sparkling moments of the entire year!

Mary L. Prine — Ben and Libby Oglesby

BCD Nominates Officers for 1972

The committee for naming new officers for the 1972 term reported at Tuesday's meeting of the BCD. Nominated were: Hugh Lewis Jr., president; Bill Allen, vice president; Mary L. Prine, secretary-treasurer; and Rev. Arthur Kendall, chaplain.

A report on the annual Christmas party was also given. It was termed a big success with both children and Santa having a lot of fun. It was reported that local businesses had donated \$248 toward the expense, but that all bills are not yet in, so no final report could be given.

Winners of the Christmas decoration contest were announced. A separate story on that appears in this week's Observer.

The Tuesday luncheon meeting was the last for 1971, with the next meeting announced for Tuesday, Jan. 4.

There were 13 members present for the meeting. W. D. McAdams, president, was in charge.

OBSERVER COMING OUT EARLY NEXT WEEK

Deadline for news and advertising for the Observer will be Monday next week. The newspaper will be printed on Tuesday in order that employees might have a few days off. The cooperation of all concerned will be appreciated.

ROBERT LEE EXES GAME RESCHEDULED

The Robert Lee Exes football game with Wall that was announced for last Monday was postponed and has been rescheduled for Saturday, Jan. 8, at 7:30 p.m. at Wall.

Everyone is invited to attend.



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CHRISTMAS



Not in the sense of custom only, but with a genuine appreciation of our pleasant association during the past year We extend to You our best wishes for A Merry Christmas.

MANSSELL BROS.

YOUR JOHN DEERE DEALER
 BALLINGER & WINTERS

H D Agent's News Dept.

By MRS. FAY C. ROE

What a boon eggs are to the family during the peak of the holiday rush, because they can be prepared in a dozen tasty dishes for a quick meal or they can be prepared well in advance of their need.

Since eggs have been tagged as plentiful by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, you'll find a wide variety of sizes and grades from which to choose.

Most retailers feature USDA Grade A or better eggs in at least three sizes. Select several sizes and use as best suited for your purposes.

For example, if your children like boiled, baked or fried eggs, but eat only half of what you serve, then use the medium or small eggs to meet their needs.

If you are scrambling a large platter of eggs, you may find it more economical to use a half dozen large eggs than a dozen small or medium eggs.

Freshness counts in the palatability of eggs in the main dish, but when you are cooking a cake, custard or casserole, use the eggs you've had the longest in the refrigerator. Your final product will be just as tasty.

A good way to plan ahead for holiday meals is to boil a dozen top quality eggs together, saving fuel and time. These hard boiled eggs will keep for a week or more in the refrigerator. You can refrigerate them in the shell, but if the shell is removed, protect the eggs with a film wrap.

You can prevent dehydration and darkening of the cooked egg white by keeping the eggs in a closed container covered with water.

Hard boiled eggs are handy for snacks for the children and as canapes to serve to unexpected guests.

For those who are watching calories, serve a smoked egg dip with fresh raw vegetables such as carrots, celery, squash, cucumber or cauliflower. For this dip you will need:

- 12 hard cooked eggs, riced or sieved
- 2 tablespoons soft butter or margarine
- 1½ tablespoons liquid smoke seasoning
- 1 tablespoon wine vinegar
- 2 teaspoons brown mustard
- 2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
- 4 drops Tabasco
- 1 teaspoon onion salt

Hospital News

Dec. 14: Mrs. James Counts dismissed.

Dec. 15: Robert Sanchez admitted. Velma Thomason dismissed.

Dec. 16: Mrs. Luther Cowley, Mrs. Wallace Ross admitted. Mrs. Juan Carrasco, E. C. Davis, Robert Sanchez dismissed.

Dec. 17: Clara Gregg, Lowell Roane admitted.

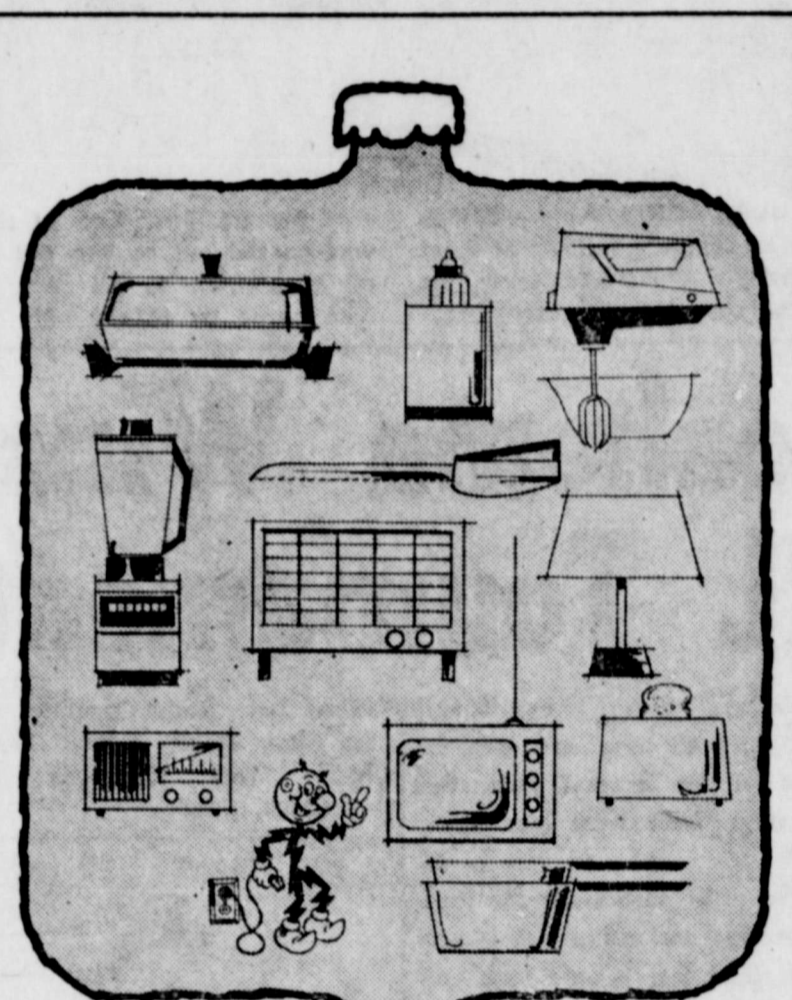
Dec. 18: Miss Effie Carwile, Velma Thomason admitted. Mrs. Gilbert Basquez, Sloane Boone, Sam McGallion dismissed.

Dec. 19: Sloane Boone admitted.

Dec. 20: Mrs. C. J. Brooks admitted.

As of Tuesday morning there were 10 patients in the hospital and 27 in the nursing home.

Try a Want Ad to SELL It.



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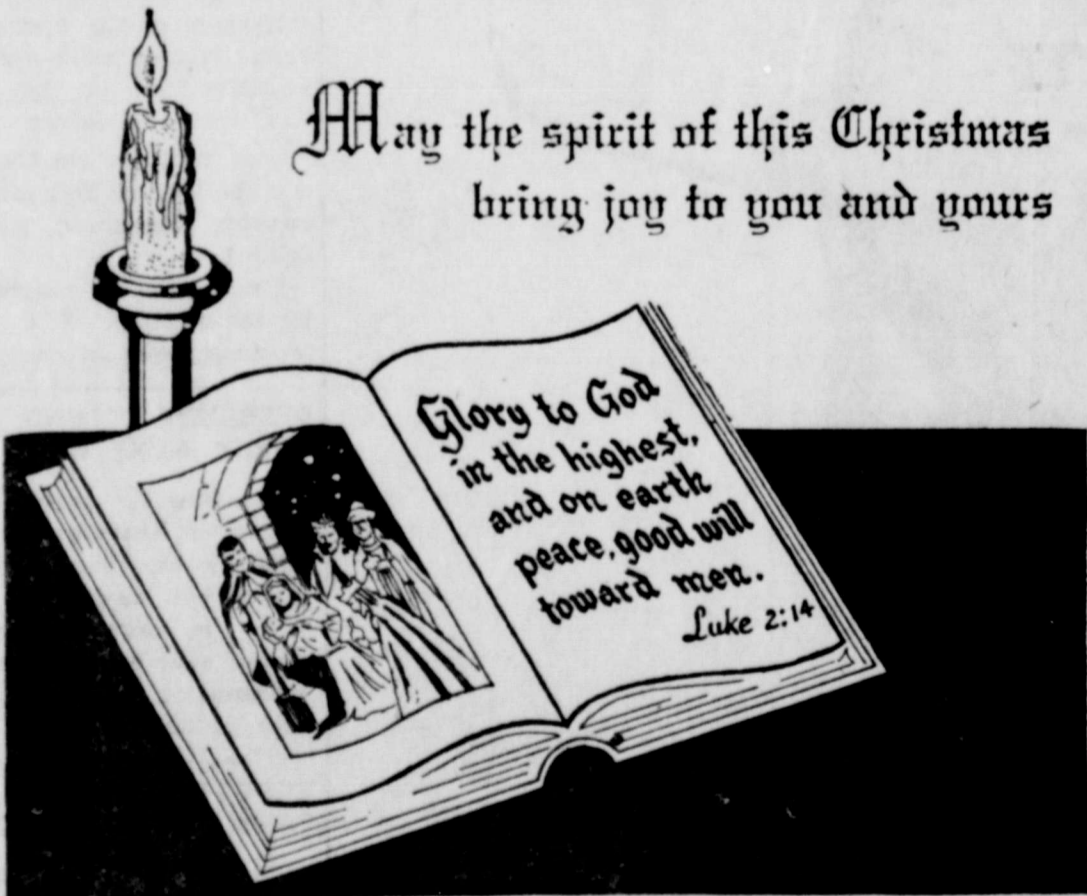
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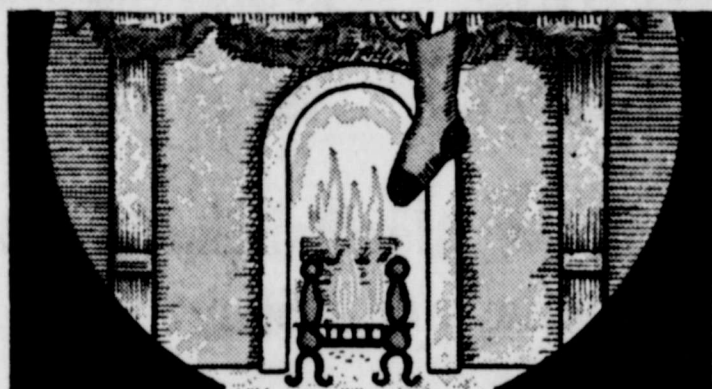
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CHRISTMAS**

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BALLINGER, TEXAS

**LETTERS TO
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Dear Santa Claus,
I am a seven year old boy.
How are you? I have been very
good in school.
Please bring me racing cars
and a walkie-talkie.
Love,
Edwin Smith

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an eight year old girl. I
am a good girl. I help my mo-
ther.
Please bring me a doll and
shoes.
Love,
Mary Galvan

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike and record play-
er. I'm eight years old, and a
Show and Tell and a jewelry box.
Grade three.
Your friend,
Melinda Torres

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm nine years old. I want to
see you and I want a talk doll
and dishes to play dolls with my
friend in the house.
Love,
Mary Lou Torres

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a seven year old boy. I
help my mother clean the house.
Please bring me a Mini-bike
and cowboy boots.
Love,
Rudy Balderas

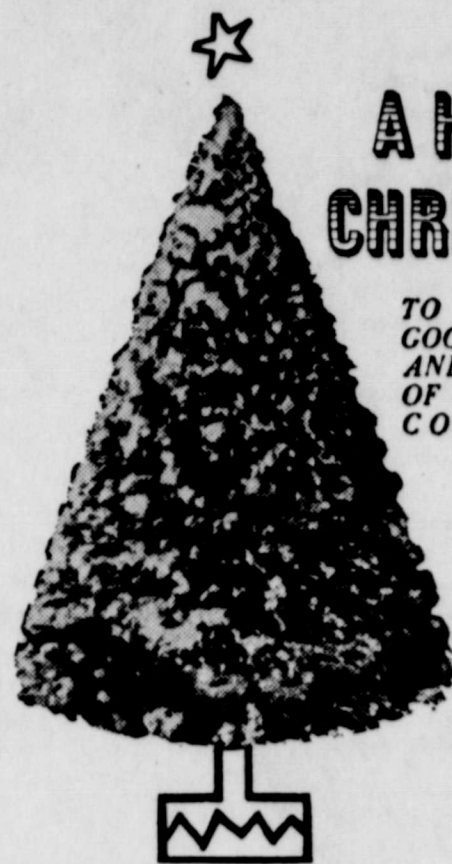
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good boy. I
am eight years old. I want an
Automatic BB Gun and football
and a helmet.
Your friend,
Tim Bosworth

Dear Santa,
I want a Machine Gun- Ma-
rauder and a mini bike. My bro-
ther wants a big wheel. My sis-
ter an oven that bakes.
Your friend,
Edwin Wilson

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a seven year old boy. I
am a good boy.
Please bring a red car and the
train.
Love,
Bob Flowers

Take a Look at the Ads.

A little time spent in reading
them is time well spent.



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CHRISTMAS**

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FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS

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**Our Thanks . . .
And
Best Wishes**



The Christmas season will always
be a time for the expression of
good will and the exchange of
friendly greetings. In this spirit
of friendship and with genuine ap-
preciation for the pleasant rela-
tions we have enjoyed with you,
we extend the season's greetings
and best wishes.

**Mrs. Artell Roberts
Kaye and Gaylon Pitcock**

Mail Schedule Changes Made

Postmaster Hugh Lewis Jr. has announced a new mail schedule which will go into effect on Jan. 1. All postal patrons are urged to study the schedule so they will not be inconvenienced by the changes.

The new schedule is:

Incoming mail will arrive at Robert Lee Post Office at 8 a.m. daily.

Mail will leave at 4:15 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Mail will leave at 12 noon on Saturdays.

Mail will leave at 8:30 a.m. on Sundays and holidays.

There will be a box tap dispatch at 7:10 p.m. on Sundays and holidays.

All outgoing mail should be placed in the outside mail box when the Post Office is closed on Sundays and holidays.

The 8:30 a.m. dispatch to San Angelo on Monday through Friday will be discontinued.

The schedule for route mail and the dispatch to Silver will remain unchanged.

Services Held for A. J. Bickley

Funeral services for A. J. Bickley, 62, were held at 3 p.m. last Thursday in the Stanton First United Methodist Church. The Rev. Cecil Tune, pastor of Asbury Methodist Church in Midland, officiated.

Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery in Stanton.

Mr. Bickley died Tuesday night of last week in Midland Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

Born Nov. 7, 1909, at Merkel, he was a former resident of Stanton but had lived in Midland the last 18 years. He was captain of the fire department at the Air Terminal between Midland and Odessa. He was a member of the Asbury Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, the former Sybil Watson of Big Spring; one daughter, Mrs. Jean Phillips of Columbus, N. M.; four sisters, Mrs. Earl Blocker, Mrs. A. C. Powell and Mrs. T. D. Barnhill, all Stanton, and Mrs. Al Graves of Independence, Ore.; two brothers, Harrison Bickley of Midland and Jimmy Bickley of Robert Lee; and two grandchildren.

FORMER RESIDENT HAS WRITTEN BOOK

William H. Muston, now retired and living in Mountain View, Calif., has written a book entitled "The Twelve Pillars of Wisdom." He is a former long time resident of Sanco and in 1917-18 was pastor of both Sanco and Robert Lee Baptist Churches. He had a long ministry in Baptist Churches and in eight states as a missionary.

In his book, he contends that, regardless of social change, one's life must have a solid foundation. "The Twelve Pillars" was published by Carlton Press, 84 Fifth Ave., New York, and is being sold for \$4.50.

Bill Mahon of Eagle Lake is here visiting his grandmother, Mrs. P. E. Mahon, and other relatives.

— WELCOME —

Pecan Missionary Baptist Church

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.
 B. T. S. 6:00 p.m.
 Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Joseph W. Yates, Pastor



Mrs. Clark Alen Duff

Miss Leslie Kay Rogers And Clark Alan Duff Wed in Odessa Rites

Miss Leslie Kay Rogers became the bride of Clark Alan Duff of Santa Fe, N. M., in a ceremony at 6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 20. The wedding was held in the home of the bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Rogers in Odessa. Earl Danley, Odessa Church of Christ minister, performed the wedding.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Benny D. Rogers of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Shafer of Odessa.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an empire dress of candlelight peau de sole, trimmed in Chantilly lace and re-embroidered with iridescent sequins and beads. The long puffed sleeves were accented by pointed French cuffs. A bow with streamers to the floor formed the train in back. The veil was of candlelight silk illusion on a cap covered with satin and lace with sequins and beads. Her bouquet was white lily of the valley, baby's breath and pink rosebuds atop a white Bible.

Maid of honor was Karen Hughes of Big Spring. Bridesmaids were La Shara Shanks of Big Spring and Angela Moore of Midland. The attendants wore floor length dresses of pink miramist over satin, fashioned with long puffed sleeves and empire waists trimmed in rhinestone braid. They carried small matching pink miniature carnations on white Bibles and wore carnations in their hair.

Harvey Duff of Odessa served his brother as best man. Groomsmen were Bobby Stillwell of Odessa and Mitt Rogers, brother of the bride, of Robert Lee.

A reception followed the wedding in the home of the bride's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Stillwell, in Odessa.

The rehearsal dinner was given Sunday afternoon, hosted by the bridegroom's parents.

Mrs. Duff is a 1970 graduate of Big Spring High School and Columbia Secretarial College of Odessa. She has been employed by Atlantic Richfield in Midland.

Her husband is a 1968 graduate of Permian High School in Odessa and is a U. S. Army veteran, having served in Korea. He is assistant manager for Furr's Cafeteria in Santa Fe, N. M., where the couple will make their home.

HE Girls Present Christmas Show

The Homemaking Department girls presented a style show during the activity period Dec. 8, with a Christmas theme.

Sterling Allen narrated the show and Jamie Craig gave special entertainment. The girls modeled the garments made in class this semester.

Taking part were Aurora Abalos, Marcia Duncan, Becky Conner, Sheila Heck, Mary Lee McCoy, Cheri Baker, Ardona Boone, Gay Brice, Mary Hughes.

And, Terri Kinsey, Christine Lara, Sue Lindsey, Elaine Milligan, Theresa Percifull, Jo Nell Ross, Konny Service, Dora Ybarra, Brenda Adams, Jamie Craig, Mandy Harmon, Jane Hughes, Susan Ivey, Wnda Prine, Sndra El-dred, Linda Havins, Vicki Lanier, Lesa Lindsey, Jeania Tinkler and Johnny Wright.

FARM DECALS TO BE ISSUED

A representative from the State Comptroller's Office will be present next Thursday, Dec. 30, at the courthouse, beginning at 9 a.m. He will issue and renew farm user permits for butane tax. Those who have received renewal notices are asked to bring them when they come.

WANT ADS

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING RATES
 1st Insertion Per Word 5c
 2nd and Subsequent Insertions Per Word 3c
 Minimum Charge: 50c
 Additional 50c for blind ads.

CARDS OF THANKS
 Per word 5c — (Minimum \$1.00)

COPY DEADLINE:
 Classified Ads — 4 p.m. Tuesday
 Display Ads — 4 p.m. Tuesday

Classified ads and cards of thanks are payable in advance unless customer carries a regular account. \$1.00 minimum charge if posted in ledger.

OPEN LATE: We will be open until 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Dec. 16 and 17, and Thursday, Dec. 23, for your convenience in doing your Christmas shopping. Western Auto Store.

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 Sam L. Williams, Phone 453-2525.

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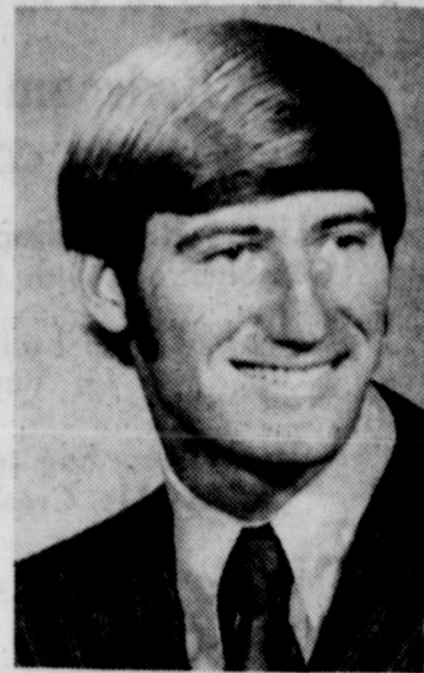
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GOOD LOOKERS — The Most Beautiful and Most Handsome students in RLHS have been named for this year. Marcia Duncan was elected Most Beautiful. She is a senior student and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Duncan. She was a freshman class favorite and was FFA Sweetheart during her sophomore year. She has served as cheerleader for three years and is president of the FHA this year. She has also been active in the Spanish and

Science Clubs, served as class officer for two years and as Student Council representative for two years. She has been on the basketball team for two years. Frank Box is the Most Handsome boy this year. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Box. An active participant in football, he made both offensive and defensive football teams this year. He has served as junior class treasurer and has been a member of the Spanish Club and Student Council.

RLHS BASKETBALL NOTES

Three games Tuesday night in Robert Lee closed the basketball season until after the holidays.

The Winters girls B team defeated Robert Lee B 49-43. Scoring for Robert Lee were Anna Kay Rowoldt 17, Ginger Salmon 13, and Susan Prentice 11.

Winters downed the girls A team 34-21. Rhonda Askins scored 9 for the locals and Elizabeth Bickley made 7.

Robert Lee boys A team nar-

rowly defeated the visitors 60-59. Bill Rowoldt and Edwin Lindsey scored 15 each to lead the Steer scoring.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Palmer are spending this week and the Christmas holiday weekend at Eagle Pass in the home of their son and his family, the John Palmers.

THERE'S HOME TOWN NEWS IN THE HOME TOWN ADS.

10% OFF

On Following Merchandise in Stock Thursday and Friday

- All Christmas Toys
- Shot Guns
- Living Room Suites

MERRY CHRISTMAS
 and THANK YOU

Western Auto Store

Bob & Phelan Wrinkle



Paula Vaughan

Paula Vaughan Is Asst. Editor

Paula Vaughan has been appointed assistant editor of The Lightning News, the student newspaper at Dallas Academy, Dallas, where she is a student.

As assistant editor, she will work with the editor in coordinating the work of the reporting staff. She will also work with the editor in the preparation of editorials.

Miss Vaughan, who is a member of the Academy Student Council, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vaughan of Robert Lee.

I. A. Bird Honored On 90th Birthday

I. A. Bird was honored on his 90th birthday last Friday with a reception at the Robert Lee Recreation Hall. There were 135 persons registered who called to share his birthday cake and visit him.

Mr. Bird was born Dec. 15, 1881, in Hico, Tex. His father, Miller Bird, was a Texas Ranger and a veteran of the battle at Dove Creek near San Angelo. The family came to Coke County in the mid 1880s. He attended the first school at Sanco, two years before Coke County was organized.

He was married to Mary Maude Cosley near Big Spring April 29, 1900. She died Jan. 6, 1968. Mr. Bird taught school at Horse Mountain, north of Sanco, a short time but most of his life has been spent as a rancher, cattle raiser and in the oil business.

Coming from out of town to attend the birthday party were: Mr. and Mrs. Leo Rainey and Mrs. J. A. Littlepage, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Creighton, Big Spring; Sam Buchanan, Roscoe Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Simpson and Charles and Sam Miller, Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jordon, Mason; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Moeckle, Ballinger; Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Sweet, Blackwell; Mr. and Mrs. Otto Jones, Colorado City; and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Roe III, Waco.

Coming from San Angelo were Ed Nunnally, Bessie Whiteside, Juanita Barger, Mrs. Glen Simpson, Mrs. Effie Miller, Robert B. Mitchell, Mrs. C. F. Wyatt, Rev. John W. Syrios, Mrs. O. C. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Menielle, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Grice, Mr. and Mrs. Howard McCulloch, Mrs. Sam S. Powell and A. N. Counts.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Littlefield of Afton, Okla., are parents of a new daughter, Shannon Delane, born Dec. 17. She weighed 8½ pounds. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Littlefield of Afton. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bilbo of Robert Lee.

Governor Warns About Holiday Deaths

Gov. Preston Smith has expressed "shock and dismay" at the prediction that nearly 100 persons will die in holiday traffic in Texas over the Christmas and New Year's weekends.

"To us, it is intolerable that we continue to accept the death of our fellow Texans at such an alarming rate," the Governor said after reviewing Department of Public Safety estimates that 57 persons will die on Texas streets and highways during the Christmas weekend and 46 more will be killed during the New Year's weekend.

"We wish we could dismiss the DPS estimates as simply too high," Gov. Smith said. "But, past experience has shown that the estimates have been consistently very close to the ultimate toll.

"We view these predictions with shock and dismay," the Governor said. "And we pledge the most vigorous efforts of the state to keep the toll well below this expectation."

The Governor said the drivers of Texas have demonstrated that careful driving can result in lower death tolls. "During the Thanksgiving weekend, deaths were no higher than an average day's toll, despite the heavy holiday travel," he said.

Observer want ads are very effective and cost very little.

The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

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SOCIAL SECURITY REP. DUE

A representative of the San Angelo Social Security office will be in Robert Lee on Jan. 6 from 1 until 2 p.m. in the courthouse. He will be available to assist persons in filing an application for social security retirement, survivors, disability or medicare insurance benefits. Anyone interested is invited to contact him at that time.

BE WISE. INVEST REGULARLY IN U. S. SAVINGS BONDS.

THEY ARE YOUR BEST INVESTMENT FOR A GUARANTEED INCOME TO CARRY OUT THOSE BIG PLANS YOU'RE MAKING

Greetings

We hope and pray that the fullness of Christ's grace and blessings will be yours.

Alamo Theatre

Sat. 6:30 — Sun. 1:30
Mon. 6:30
Walt Disney's
"Scandalous John"
Rated —G—

The Highway Scrooge



The "Highway Scrooge" doesn't know what it means to "Drive Friendly." To Scrooge, Christmas driving is all take and no give. He never pulls to the right to let someone pass.

And if a pedestrian gets in his way, well, too bad. The Highway Scrooge takes the holiday courtesy given by others. He gives back nothing—but heartbreak and misery.

Don't be a Scrooge. Drive Friendly.



The Governor's Committee on Traffic Safety

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa,
I am a seven year old girl. How is your wife? How are you? I am all right.
Please bring me a doll that writes and a doll that goes in her car.
Love,
Darnisha Rodriguez

WELCOME

Robert Lee Baptist Church
West 11th and Chadbourne
Bill Beaty, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday
Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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Dear Santa Claus,
I am a seven year old boy. Santa Claus, is your wife all right? Please bring me a Play gun and a train and a Football.
Love,
Cixto Saucedo

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a seven year old boy. I help my Father and Mother.
Please bring me a Walkie-Talkie and a horse that goes with Custer.
Love,
Joey Millican

Dear Santa,
I saw your show when you were little. And do you know what I want, a Show and Tell. I am nine years old. And yesterday I saw you on TV. And I know the name of the show. It is named Santa Claus Show.
Your friend,
Ernie Abalos

Dear Santa,
I want a Rumbler, a movie projector, Sunday clothes, a football suit and shoes.
I have been good and I want my little brother to have a piano and my big brother to have a new basketball.
Your friend,
Gary Davis

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an eight year old boy. I am a good boy. My little sister wants a doll. Please bring me a Mini-bike and Play gun.
Love,
Ray Torres

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a seven year old boy. I have been good. I wish you a Merry Christmas. Please bring bring me a chopper-oo.
Love,
Pat Percifull

Dear Santa,
My name is Michael. I am 8 years old and I am in the 3rd grade and I want a 20, 2 and a mini bike so that is all I want.
Love,
Michael Wolfe

Dear Santa,
I'm 9 years old. I don't know what I want just yet but I will tell you later on. I have tried to be a good boy this year.
Your friend,
Marty Caston

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm wondering if you are going to come to my house on Christmas night. I am eight years old and in the third grade. I have tried and tried very hard to be good. I want a jewelry box. I hope everyone has a good Christmas.
Your friend,
Mary Ann Abalos

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm Dewane, I'm eight years old and I have tried to be good. I want a 3 speed dragster. I hope that you come with the reindeer with you.
Your friend,
Dewane Fambrough

Dear Santa,
I want to tell you what I want. I want a show and tell and a baby carriage. That is all I want. I am in the third grade. I am nine years old.
I am trying to be good.
I wish everyone a Merry Christmas.
Love,
Kellye Percifull

Dear Santa,
I've been very very good. I want you to come and see me. I want you to bring me a pretty, diamond jewelry box.
Love,
Carolyn Collins

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an eight year old girl. How are you? I have been very good in school this year.
Please bring me a Barbie camper and some Go-go boots. I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Thank you.
Love,
Dee Anna Key

The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

Dec. 23, 1971

Christmas Greetings



This message is warm with friendliness and filled with good wishes for Christmas

Ollie Roe and Family

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GREETINGS

Our warmest wishes to each of you at this Holy Season.

Rev. & Mrs. Bill Beaty and Boys



Like the music of the carols, may your Christmas be blended with

gladness
and

Joy

Adams Abstract Company

Mr. & Mrs. S. E. Adams

Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Adams and Children



Sincere Good Wishes

May there come to you at this Christmas time all the precious things of life.

Juanita and Jack Trimble

JUST WANTED TO ADD OUR OWN SMALL, BUT SPECIAL GREETING TO EACH OF OUR WONDERFUL FRIENDS. OUR HEART-FELT THANKS AND BEST WISHES.

Merry Christmas



MARTHA and FERN HAVINS



WASHINGTON
 "As it looks
 from here"
OMAR BURLESON
 Congressman
 17th District

Washington — More than a thousand years ago in England in the year 878, the celebration of Christmas commenced on Dec. 16 and would have ended according to custom on the 12 night, Jan. 6. At about that time King Alfred the Great was so occupied with Christmas revelry that the invading Danes took him and his army by surprise and he became a fugitive. History goes on to indicate a happy ending. Alfred came back to win. During his successful reign, he united most of England and in the process, brought Christianity to the invaders.

Another very old story goes like this: One night in ancient days three horsemen were riding across a desert. As they crossed a dry riverbed a voice out of the darkness called "Halt" and they obeyed. The voice then directed them to dismount, pick up a handful of pebbles, put the pebbles in their pocket and remount. The voice said, "You have done as I commanded. Tomorrow at sun-up you will be both glad and sorry." Contemplating the mystery and not understanding, the horsemen rode on. As the sun came up, they reached their pockets to find that a miracle had happened. The pebbles had turned into diamonds, rubies and other precious stones. Then they remembered the warning words. Sure enough they were both glad and sorry—they were glad they had taken the pebbles but sorry they had not taken more.

This illustrates the greed and selfishness in men. To be sorry not to have grasped more can cause us to forget the blessings which have come our way.

Obviously, the world is still torn with wars, dissension and numerous troubles. Everyone yearns for peace, harmony and tranquility in our individual and

national lives. When we don't have these things, we are inclined to forget such words as the old English carol, "God rest ye merrie, gentlemen, let nothing you dismay; remember Christ our Saviour was born on Christmas Day." With faith in an all powerful Creator, we can joyfully celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, who is our hope for "peace on earth, goodwill to men." This is our Christmas message from our house to yours.

Several years ago, by reason of sheer volume, we simply had to abandon the practice of sending Christmas cards to friends we love. We hope you will take this as our personal wish for you and yours for a joyous and pleasant Season.

The Chaplain of the House of Representatives gave this to us and we pass it on to you with warm friendship and appreciation.

May God send you for Christmas and the New Year Enough joy

To keep your heart singing,
 Enough sympathy

To make you understanding,
 Enough hope

To enrich your life,
 Enough strength

To steady your spirit,
 Enough love

To share yourself with others."

Lee Anne Crowder of Midland was the weekend guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Beaty.

PERSONALS

Lane Beaty, student in Cisco Junior College, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Beaty.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Palmer of San Angelo visited last Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Brooks who are patients at West Coke County Nursing Home.

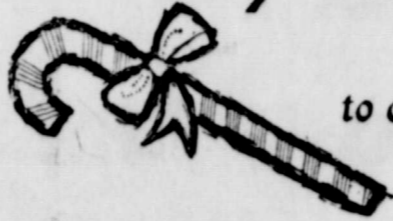
Spending Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Roe Jr. are their children, Mr. and Mrs. James Brown of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Roe III of Waco. Mr. and Mrs. Roe III are also visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Derrick of Sanco.

Kenneth Prime spent the weekend at Llano with his friend James Wright. He returned home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Walker and family and Curtis Wayne Walker and son, Douglas, all of San Angelo, were weekend guests in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Walker. Other guests in the Walker home Sunday were her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Palmer of Colorado City.

THERE'S HOME TOWN NEWS IN THE HOME TOWN ADS.

It's Time to
 Say **MERRY** Christmas



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 Chris, Bill Tom, Sue and Gaye

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SEASONS GREETINGS

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We're proud to send our best wishes of the season to each of you! ☆

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WARM WISHES



May your home be snug with the joys of the Season. May your home be bright with the smiles of your family. May your home be filled with contentment during all the days to come.

Snead's Pharmacy

Closed Christmas Day Only
 WILL BE ON CALL



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MEDALLION BROAD BREASTED

TURKEYS

12 TO 14 LBS.

LB.

39c

GOOCH'S DINNER

HAMS

lb.

\$1.29

BONELESS & COOKED



GOOCH'S

BACON, thin sliced - lb. 65c

CELERY, stalk - - - - - each 19c

TEXAS ORANGES - - - 5 lb. bag 59c

FRESH CRANBERRIES - 1 lb. pkg. 43c



Bananas lb. 10c

OLE SOUTH PIE SHELL - twin pkg. 35c

FROSTY WHIP - - - - - qt. crt. 45c

JOHNSTON

MINCE & PUMPKIN PIE - each 79c

7-Up

king size

8 BOTTLE CRT.

65c

MEAD'S BISCUITS - - - - - 3 for 29c

CHIFFON SOFT OLEO - - - lb. 49c

GRADE "A" MEDIUM

Eggs doz. 49c



DEL MONTE CUT GREEN BEANS - 2 for 55c ^{303 CAN}

DEL MONTE SWEET PEAS - 2 for 55c ^{303 CAN}



STOKELY'S FRUIT COCKTAIL - 4 for 98c ^{303 CAN}

FOLGER'S

LB. CAN

Coffee 89c

CRANBERRY SAUCE - 2 for 65c ^{300 CAN}

DEL MONTE PUMPKIN - - 2 1/2 can 29c

EVANGELINE SWEET POTATOES - 2 for 45c ^{303 CAN}



Crisco

3 LB. CAN

89c

REYNOLDS HEAVY FOIL

ROLL 55c

KRAFT MINIATURE MARSHMALLOWS - 10 oz. 21c

STUFFED OLIVES - 5 oz. jar 39c

LIPTON TEA BAGS - 100 ct. \$1.19

DELUXE DIAMOND PLATES - 40 ct. 89c

ZEE NAPKINS - 360 COUNT - 63c

Gladiola 5 lb. bag

Flour 55c



We Want to Wish Everyone a Very

Merry Christmas

We Will Be Closed Dec. 25th & 26th

Baker's Groc. & Mkt.

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll that I can bathe—a tom and tell doll. I want a doll for my baby that can say mama and daddy. I want a play store and a boot for my big ole brother and a play telephone and that's all.

I love you,
Sherri Walker

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a car and some guns for Christmas.

Love,
Joe Torres

Dear Santa Claus,
I want one doll and a play horse for Kelley, my brother. For my Mom I want some ear rings and a tie for my Daddy.

I love you,
Tracie Tomlinson

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a talking doll that eats and a color book and crayons.

Love,
Rhonda Prentice

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a motor cycle, a man in an airplane and a bicycle.

I love you,
John Page

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Christi, a swing set, a Teddy Bear and a doll for my little baby. My name is Carrath Ann.

I love you,
Carrath Ann Metcalf

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll, a doll house and that is all. Bring my brothers some trucks.

Love,
Mary Alice Lara

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a turkey gun and an electric race track and an army gun and that is all.

Love,
Richard Jacobs

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a baby tender love and a baby buggy and a little pony and a baton, and a little ball and a little wagon. I also want a play snowman and a play kitty.

I love you,
Stacey Heffernan
P. S. Bring two little lambs.



HE SHALL BE GREAT AND SHALL BE CALLED THE SON OF THE HIGHEST: LUKE 1:32

VIOLET KIRKPATRICK

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a SSP and a toy motor cycle and a pop corn maker. That is all I want.

I love you,
Eddie Hood

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a play gun for Christmas and a electric race car. Tancy and Debra have to have a doll. Tancy can have a race car too.

I love you,
Douglas Bell

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a GI Joe, a bicycle and that is all.

Love,
Gilbert Abalos

P. S. I want a play gun to tie on my leg that want get off.

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a girl six years old. A Cristie doll for Christmas would be fine.

Maribe Torres

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy six years old. I want a mini Bike. I want a Bee Bee gun.

John Walker

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a girl six years old. I want some pretty White boots. I want a doll in a basket in a play store.

Tonya Welch

MAY WE EXTEND TO YOU OUR WARMEST

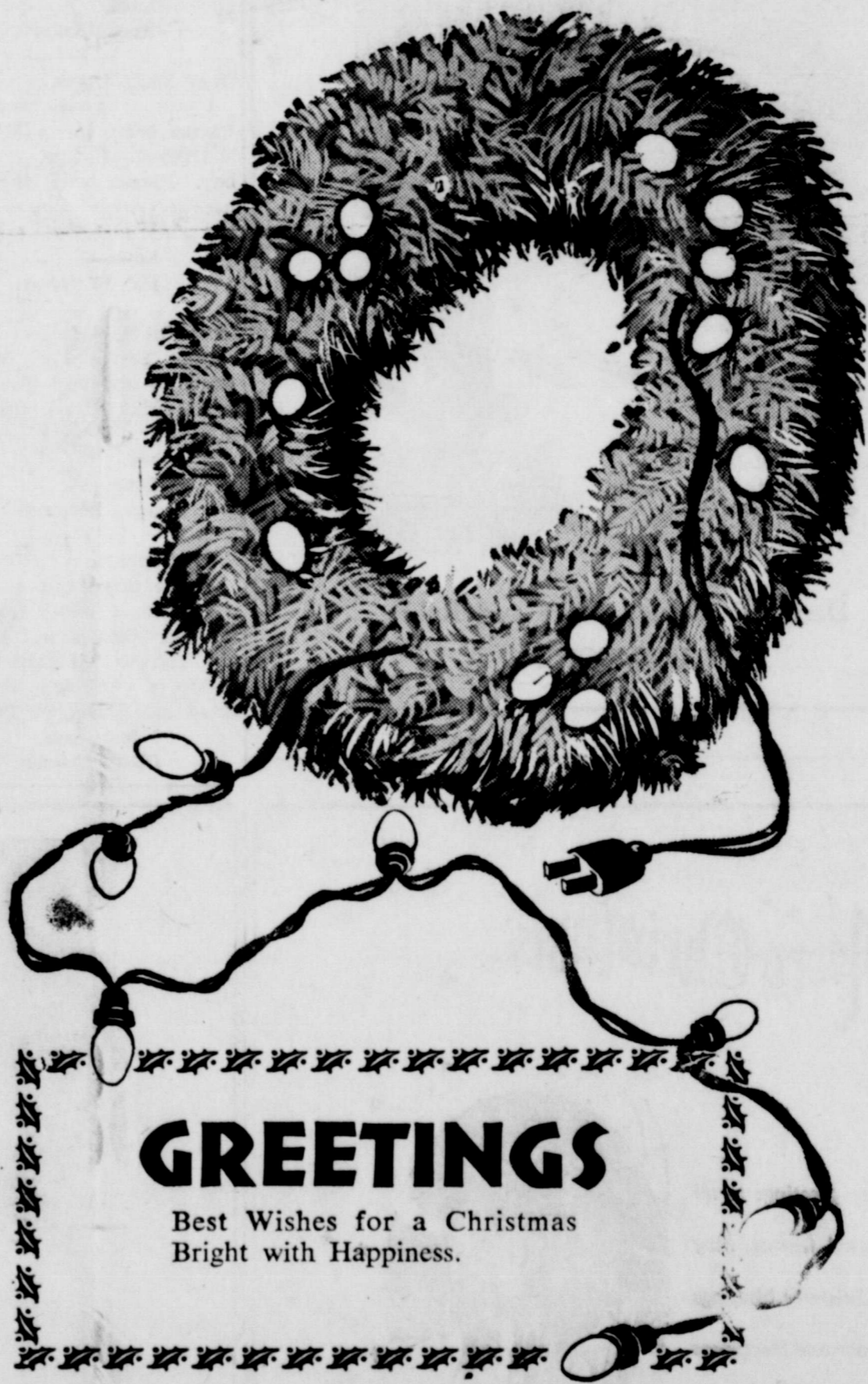
GREETINGS

To everybody...

Gordon's Variety Store

OUR BEST CHRISTMAS WISHES TO ALL

Mr. & Mrs. J. M. Prine Jr. And Family



GREETINGS

Best Wishes for a Christmas Bright with Happiness.

West Way Grocery

Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan Davis

HELLO

were happy to wish you

A PURR-R-ECT CHRISTMAS



BELL AUTO PARTS

Elmo and Bernice

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

It isn't far to
Bethlehem.
It's anywhere that
Christ
Comes down and finds
Peace and Welcome
Shining in the face of
Someone.



MAY EVERY CHRISTMAS BLESSING BE YOURS

Bessie Walker

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike for me and a record player. I am eight years old. I want a teddy bear and show and Tell and a jewelry box. I am in the third grade. I have tried to be good. Please bring me.

Love,
Rosa Baldares

Dear Santa,
You will be giving me a visit soon. I am nine years old and in the third grade. I am trying to be good. I would like a record player and a battleship game. I wish everybody a Merry Christmas.

Love,
Dianna Tinkler

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a seven year old boy. How old are you, Santa Claus? I have been a very good boy in school.

Please bring me some Cowboy boots and some Cowboy pants and a electricity Football game.

Love,
Buck Duncan

Dear Santa,
I am looking forward to your visit on Christmas Eve. I am nine years old and I am in the third grade. I want a teddy bear and I want a record players and I want a pony. Hope you come to my house.

Love,
Anna Bazar

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a seven year old boy. Please bring me a Mini-bike and a football. Please, I am a good boy. Please bring me a Cowboy hat and train, Colars and Coloring Book and Hot-wheels.

Love,
Pat Heffernan

Dear Santa Claus,
Dear Santa, I'm looking forward to meeting you. I'm ten years old. I have tried to be a good boy. I want a pellet gun and a hat.

Love,
Joel Percifull

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a motorcycle, a bicycle, a horse trailer and a gun for Christmas. Please take the gun to Thailand where my daddy is. And tell Maw Maw to bring me a Dapper Dan.

I love you,
Chuck Askins

Dear Santa Claus,
Santa Claus, I want a foot ball and a helmet for Christmas so I can play at my yard.
Your friend,
Jose Saucedo

Dear Santa,
I want a mini-bike. I love you and you love me. I like toys, you love toys.
Love,
Coy Long



Mathews Lumber & Hardware

BETTY, JACK, JERRY & BRENDA



May your every wish for the Holiday Season be realized — that's our wish for you.

Derwood, Eunice, Mike and Bobby
MUMFORD



THE DAVID KEYS

Alene, David, Joe David and Dee Anna

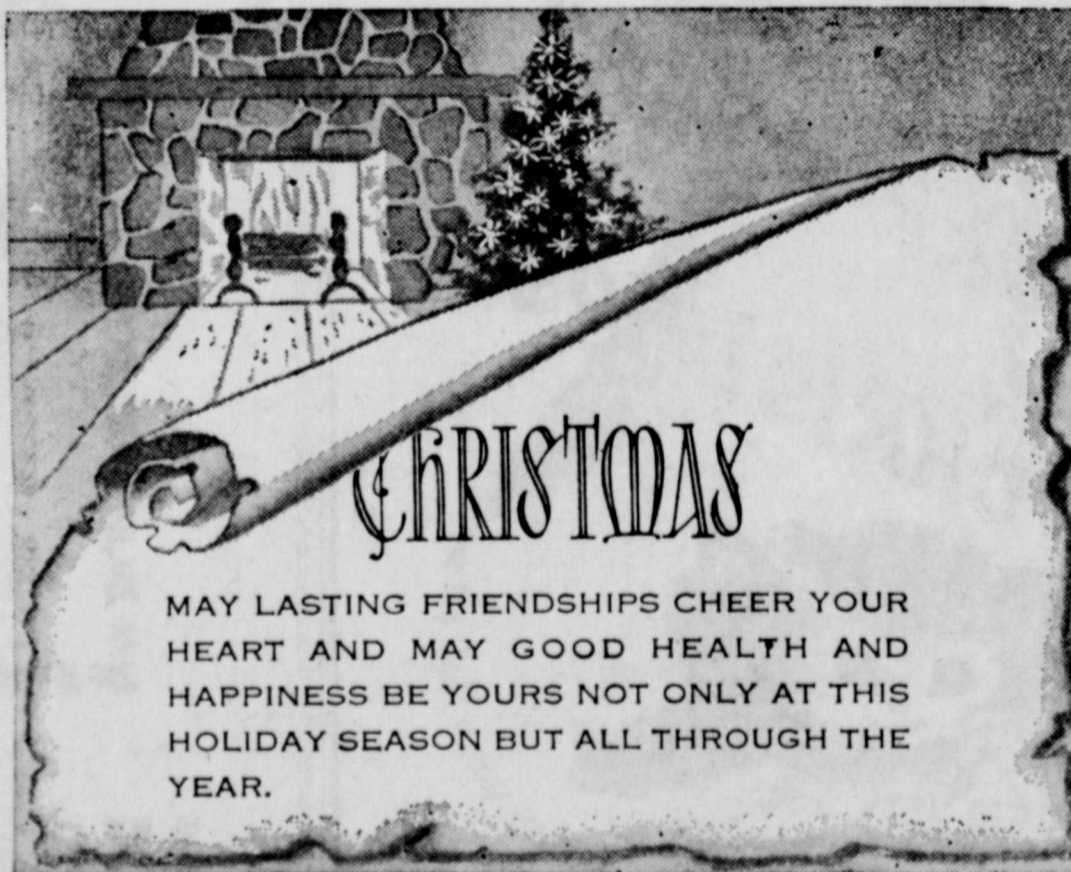
Merry Christmas

Sincere greetings to all our good friends. May the Christmas blessings of Peace and Happiness be yours today and in the days to follow.



HOOD UPHOLSTERY

Mary, Keith and James Hood



The Lomas'

George and Thelma

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an eight year old girl. How is your wife? How are you? I have been a good girl this year. Please bring me a sewing machine and a foot rug and a Barbie doll. Merry Christmas. Thank you.

Love,
Kim Caston

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a seven year old girl. I have been listening to Mrs. Newell.

Please bring me a Barbie doll and School clothes.

Love,
Rosemary Costilla

Dear Santa,
I am an eight year old boy. How is Mrs. Claus, and you? And I Love you.

Please bring me a Chopperoo Mini-bike. And a wagon and a Hot Wheels and racing cars and house shoes. And cowboy boots and walkie-talkie and radio.

Love,
Steve Eldred

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a seven year old boy. I have been a good boy. I wish you a Merry Christmas.

Please bring me racing cars and Walkie-Talkie, Cowboy Pants, Cowboy hat, Play guns, Chopperoo, School clothes, coloring book

Love,
Tommy Bosworth

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm ten years old and I'm in third grade. I've tried to be good. Well I want a BB gun and a mini-bike. Have a good time.

Your friend,
Albert Abolis

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a seven year old boy. How are you? How is Mrs. Claus? Please bring me a shooting gallery and the boxing robots.

Love,
Matt

I listen to my teacher.

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an eight year old girl. I help my mother and my father to work. My little sister wants a Barbie doll. I want a Barbie doll and a Colors and Coloring book.

Love,
Lupe Munoz

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an eight year old girl. How is your wife and how are you?

Please bring me a doll that takes a bath.

Love,
Betty Ybarra

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a seven year old girl. I help my Mother. How is your wife?

Please bring me a Talk doll and a wagon. My little brother wants a little bike. Merry Christmas.

Love,
Yolanda Torres

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine. I am an eight year old girl. I have been good this year to Mrs. Newell.

Please bring me a Blue jumper, house shoes, and jewelry box. Merry Christmas. Thank you.

Love,
Kenda Rasco

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a seven year old boy. I have been listening to my teacher. How is Mrs. Santa, she is fine. I have helped my Mother.

I want a Guitar and a football shirt and some cleats and a electricity Football game and a walkie-talkie, Cowboys boots and some pants and a hat and a Wagon. Merry Christmas.

Love,
Eddie Caulder

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a seven year old boy. How are you doing, Santa? And how is your wife? Please bring me a big bike, train and walkie-talkie.

Love,
Clifton Millican

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an eight year old boy. How are you? Do you like the North Pole? I have been a nice boy.

Please bring me some Hot-Wheels. We wish you a Merry Christmas. Thank you.

Love,
Darren Williams

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a BB gun and a blue car, small, a small truck with blue sides.

Love,
Ray Tijerina

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm eight years old. I'm in third grade. I want a race track. I hope your reindeers aren't sick. I hope you can make it.


Your friend,
Trey Womack

May hope and peace, and above all, good cheer, be yours at this **best** happy season; and may unhappiness be forever unknown to you and yours. **wishes**

FRAN-CILLA FLOWERS
T. M. and Mary May Wylie

With every good wish for your happiness and pleasure this Christmastime!

W. W. THETFORD & FAMILY



HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON

JERRY THOMASON

Craig Gary Jack

Season's GREETINGS

We'd like to take a moment of the season to tell you how much we've enjoyed knowing you and serving you this past year. Our special and sincere Yuletide wishes to you and your entire family.

Winnie and Barton Waldrop

CHRISTMAS

IS • A • TIME • FOR

acknowledging with gratitude the loyalty of friends . . . And for expressing appreciation and good wishes that the coming year be rich in rewards for you.



NEWBY FUNERAL HOME
Mr. and Mrs. George Newby

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a girl seven years old. I want a Cristie doll, Football and bike.

Felecia Ford

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy seven years old. I want a basketball and a sizzler track and sizzler cars and juice machine.

Jamie Sawyer

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a girl six years old. I want a Bobi doll with Hair that grows and a record player and a Bubble My Sin and Mickey Mouse.

Teri K. Bryan

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy six years old. I want a Screamin Demon Christmas.

Kerry Don Wrinkle

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy seven years old. I want a football for Christmas.

Lupe Torres

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy six years old. I want a airplane with gasoline to go up for Christmas.

Everett Wilson

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a girl seven years old. I want a Tim-E-Tel doll, a Tent and Jump-o-lene Christmas.

Leigh Ann Runnion

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy six years old. I want a Screamin Demon and football.

Terry Millican

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a girl seven years old. I want Velvet for Christmas.

Leslie Drennan

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a girl seven years old. I want a Cristy doll and Velvet.

Sara Dela Pena

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a girl seven years old. I want a pretty Bobi doll, Vedvel too, and E-Z oven stove.

Teresa Clawson

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy six years old. I want a Bee Bee gun. I want a Record Player. I want a Rock Tumbler.

Chris Yates

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a girl six years old. I want Cristie for Christmas.

Martha Bickley

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy six years old. I want a fire truck for Christmas.

Gary Calder

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a girl six years old. I want a doll for Christmas.

Thank you,
Shirley Torres

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy six years old. I want a Football.

Jerry Fambro

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy six years old. I want a whip for Christmas.

Cecil Allen Ross

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a girl six years old. I want Velvet.

Thank you,
Amy Percifull

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a girl six years old. Cristie is the doll I want.

Lee Ybarra

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy seven years old. I want a football for Christmas.

James Clyde Wright



We hope you have a happy holiday!

FRANKIE'S BEAUTY Salon

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Jana & Eddie



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Merry Christmas

**Mr. & Mrs. Nelan Bahlman
And Family**

Mrs. P. E. Mahon

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