

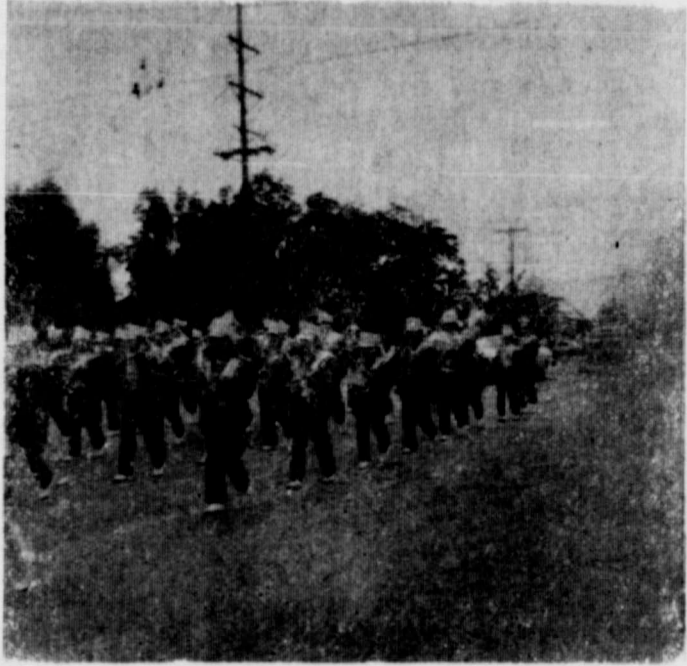
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Residents Ready for Holidays



BAND LEADS WAY — The high stepping Robert Lee Steer Band led the way for the Santa Claus parade last Saturday afternoon. Santa made a big

hit with the kids of the area, as he visited with them and handed out candy. The annual Christmas party is sponsored by the BCD.

BCD Discusses Securing Doctor

Main item of discussion at the Tuesday BCD meeting was how the group could assist the board of directors of West Coke County Hospital District to secure a doctor to replace the late Dr. J. D. McDaniel. Those present agreed that his death was a tremendous blow to the community and West Texas and that it would be difficult to find somebody to take his place.

Cumbe Ivey Jr. said the children of Dr. McDaniel had offered the use of his office space to a doctor who would move to Robert Lee and set up a practice.

Gerald C. Allen pointed out that it would be no easy matter to secure a doctor, and stated that he and the late Dr. Griffith worked and advertised in medical journals for five years prior to Dr. McDaniel's coming here.

Allen said it would be especially hard to secure the right kind of doctor to come here, since the job is suited only to a general practitioner. However, he encouraged everyone to work at the job in any way possible and a successful outcome would be well worth the efforts of everyone.

Christmas Party a Success

Everyone agreed that the annual Christmas party was a big success. Santa was very popular with the hundreds of kids who came out to visit him.

Allen told the BCD that the organization was founded in the latter part of 1925 or early 1926 and he was the first president. Ivey said, however, that Christmas parties were held at various times earlier, but they did not become an annual thing until 1957.

Decorations Winners Told

Winners of the Christmas decorations contest were announced. Winning first prize were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Trimble, second were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jameson, and taking third place were Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Bickley. Business firms, who only received hon-

orable mention instead of cash prizes were Vaughan Chevrolet Co., first; City Hall, second; and Mathews Hardware & Lumber, third.

Officers Nominated

W. W. Thetford, chairman of a nominations committee, announced the committee's recommendations and the suggested slate of officers for 1973 was elected, as follows: Roy Ford, president; George Newby vice president; Mary Prine, secretary-treasurer.

It was announced that there will be no BCD meetings the next two Tuesdays, with the next session scheduled for Jan. 9.

Commissioner Fern Hawkins announced that he is retiring Jan. 1, and thanked everyone for past support. He said he had enjoyed working with the citizens of Coke County.

Vice President Bill Allen presided with 17 members present. Two guests were Mrs. W. T. Roach who was a guest of her husband and Patrolman Richard Dodson who came with Melvin Childress.

Hospital News

Dec. 12: Philip Alford dismissed.

Dec. 13: No admissions, no dismissals.

Dec. 14: Mrs. Cumbe Ivey Jr. admitted. Bill Matlock dismissed.

Dec. 15: Clarence Mitchell admitted. Lillie Crum, Perry Mullis dismissed.

Dec. 16: Mrs. J. E. Quisenberry Jr., Becenta Gutierrez dismissed.

Dec. 17: no admissions, no dismissals.

Dec. 18: Clara Gregg admitted. Clarence Mitchell dismissed.

Tuesday there were 5 patients in the hospital and 27 in the nursing home.

Robert Lee citizens will have to wind up their Christmas shopping Saturday, as Christmas comes on Monday this year, leaving an extra holiday on Sunday.

Christmas has been in the air especially since last Saturday when Santa made his annual visit to Robert Lee. A big crowd jammed the downtown section to get a glimpse of the bearded gentleman. The Christmas party is sponsored by the BCD.

Lights are aglow all over the city and countryside and many homes and businesses have gone to a great deal of trouble to make their places attractive.

Many family gatherings will be held Sunday and Monday as persons meet to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

School will be dismissed at 2 p.m. Thursday (today) and students and teachers will not have to report back to classes until Jan. 2.

Steers Honored On 9-A All-District

District 9-A champs, the Mason Punchers, dominated the all-district selections announced late last week.

The Robert Lee Steers placed some men on the second string, including halfback Bobby Mumford; split end Randy Flanagan; defensive tackle Jeff Eubanks; linebacker Sid Burns; defensive secondary members Rudy Abalos and Randy Flanagan.

Visitors attending Sunday services at First United Methodist Church were Buster Jones of Corpus Christi, Ann Fonville of San Angelo, Mrs. Larry Jameson of Silver, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Roberts and Douglas, Mrs. McDaniel Baker Sparks and Mrs. Allan Rowaldt, all of Robert Lee.

Wall, Forsan Capture R-Lee Tourney Titles

Everyone declared the basketball tournament last weekend a big success. School officials expressed their thanks to everyone who contributed to the smooth running tournament.

Forsan defeated Sands 59-55 for the girls championship, while Wall downed Robert Lee 55-45 to take the big game in the boys division.

Miles girls downed Roscoe 60-49 and Roscoe boys defeated Sterling City 51-37 in the consolation games.

In the games for third place Bronte girls slipped by Robert Lee 45-43, while Sands boys beat Forsan 87-68.

In the first round of the girls division it was Forsan 66, Roscoe 36; Bronte 52, Wall 32; Sands 55, Sterling City 20; Robert Lee 54, Miles 47. In the Boys division it was Forsan 62, Roscoe 48; Wall 48, Bronte 30; Sands 68, Sterling City 51; Robert Lee 59, Miles 47.

Second round for the girls saw Roscoe with 50, Wall 48; Miles

42, Sterling City 25; Forsan 58, Bronte 45; Sands 60, Robert Lee 35. In the boys brackets, second round gave Roscoe 55, Bronte 45; Sterling City 53, Miles 48; Wall 64, Forsan 58; Robert Lee 55, Sands 50.

Making points for the girls in the game with Miles were Rhonda Askins 24; Audrey Walker 16; Anna Rowaldt 14. In the game with Sands it was Rowaldt 16; Askins 14; Nita Copeland 3; Phyllis Duncan 2. In their third game with Bronte Askins made 20; Walker 15; Rowaldt 8.

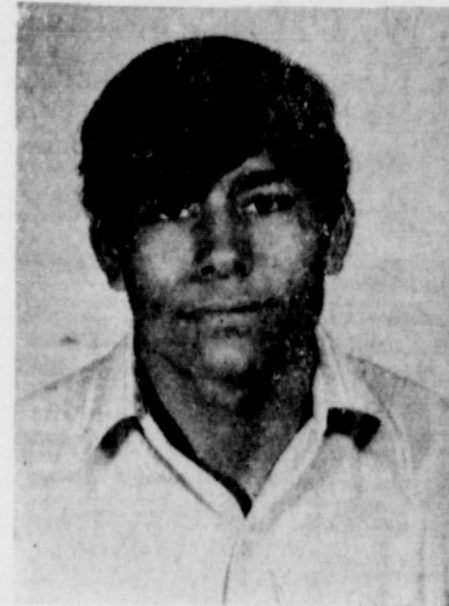
Scoring for the Steers in their first game with Miles were Johnny Wolfe 13; Bill Rowaldt 11; Bobby Mumford 11; Rudy Abalos 10; Wibby Millican 6; David Beatty 4; Terry Wojtek 2; Harvey Wink 2. In the game with Sands it was Abalos 14; Mumford 11; Millican 9; Wolfe 8; Wink 8; Rowaldt 5. In the final game with Wall it was Millican 17; Rowaldt 10; Wolfe 10; Abalos 6; Millican 6.

Merchants here still have plenty of gift items for last minute shoppers. They invite everyone to come by for any item needed during the final three days before the holiday begins.

This edition of the Observer contains greetings from most business firms in Robert Lee, who

wish to send readers their best wishes.

Sheriff Melvin Childress has warned that some gruesome traffic fatality figures are expected along with the holiday. He urged everyone to use extreme caution and courtesy during their travels anywhere during the holidays.



BAND BEAU — Rudy Abalos, RLHS senior, has been selected as Band Beau for this year. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Abalos. An outstanding athlete, he has played basketball three years and been on the track team four years. He has played football four years and received all-district honorable mention in 1971 and 1972. He is a member of the Spanish Club and was president last year. He was a Homecoming King candidate in 1971 and '72.



BAND SWEETHEART — Terry Kinsey, a junior, is Band Sweetheart this year. She has had a busy time in RLHS, serving as president of the junior class and band secretary this year. She has been in FHA two years; FTA, three years; Beta Club, three years. She was an alternate twirler in her sophomore year and is a member of the Stage Band. She was sophomore class reporter. She was one of the top 12 soil judges in state 4-H competition and has participated in UIL speech events three years. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Kinsey.

Kerrville Funeral For Mrs. Baker

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Annie A. Baker, 63, of Kerrville Saturday at 4 p.m. in the Plummer Fair Funeral Chapel, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

She died last Thursday at her home from an apparent heart attack.

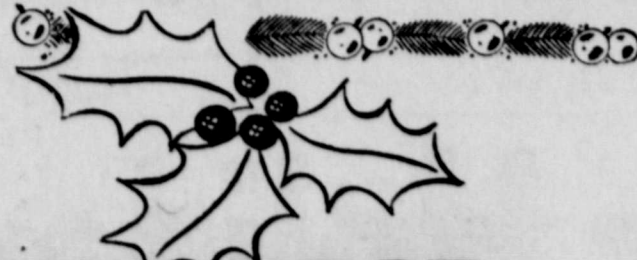
Mrs. Baker was born in Colorado City April 14, 1909, and moved in about 1914 with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Prine, to the Samco community, where she grew up and attended school. She moved to Kerrville in 1927 and was employed at the Kerrville State Hospital for many years until she retired in 1970.

Her husband, Claude P. Baker, died in 1967.

Survivors include three sisters, Mrs. Belle Lockaby of Kerrville, Mrs. John (Callie) Rives of Odessa and Mrs. W. R. (Minnie) Belcher of Denver City; three brothers, Homer Prine of Kerrville, Monroe Prine of San Angelo and J. M. Prine Jr. of Sanco.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Guinn and children of El Paso were guests in the home of her uncle and aunt, Effie and Henry Carwile, last Wednesday and Thursday, and visited her grandmother, Mrs. Fannie Carwile, who is a patient at West Coke Hospital.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS



OUR BEST CHRISTMAS WISHES TO ALL

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

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a girl 6 years old. For Christmas I want a doll. I want a Buggy and a Bike.
Stacey Heffernan

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 6 years old. I am in the first grade. I am a boy. For Christmas I want a ball and car and my brother wants a gun.
Willie Torres

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 6 years old I am in the 1st Grade. I am a girl. For Christmas I want a doll and radio and ball.
Sherri Walker

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 6 years old. I am in the first grade. I am a boy. For Christmas I want a Dallas Cowboy Foot Bol Suit and a 3 Speed Bike and a drum Sizzler track.
Eddie Hood

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 6 years old. I am in the first grade. I am a girl. For Christmas I want a play house and baby tendr luv.
I luv you,
Carra'h Ann Metcalf

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 7 years old. I am in first grade. I am a girl. For Christmas I want mittens and a ball.
Rena'e Lane

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an 8 year old girl. I have been a good girl. I would like Sweet Amy and Velvet and Chri-sy.
Love,
Sara de la Pena

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a 7 year old girl. I have 1 brother and 1 sister. I try to write good, too. I try to be a good girl. I wold like a snoopy tooth brush and cloths.
Love,
Tonya Welsh


Dear Santa Claus,
I am a 7 year old girl. I have been a good girl. I would like a baton and a doll house.
Love,
Martha Bickley



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


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Steve Lloyd

Dear Santa,
I want a baby tender love and I want a ring and I want a record player. And a little house and a baby boll and a dog.
Merry Christmas,
Santa Claus,
Teresa

Dear Santa,
I want a play motorecycle and a real record player and a big one too. That is all.
Love,
Douglas

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a tricycle and a wagon. I want a tape recorder and some tapes.
Merry Christmas,
Milton

Dear Santa,
I want toys and a bike, and a Christmas tree with a lot of lights, and a watch, and I want a guitar and I want a bus for my father, and a broom and mop for my mother.
Love,
Steve

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a bike and a doll, and cowboy boots. Lots of toys.
Love,
Carol

Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle. I want a wagon a little red one. I want a little play cat. I want a little play telephone and a farm with cattle and things.
Tina

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Dallas Cowboy sweat-shirt, and a Dallas Cowboy trash can and a Dallas Cowboy rug. And a toy pickup. I am 6 years old.
Love you,
Kirby

Dear Santa,
I want a sewing machine, a piano, a record with Bambe and a book with Mary Popins with a book.
I love you!
Gina Hudson

Dear Santa,
I want a sewing machine, a talking telephone and a mini bike. I want a red wagon and a tricycle and that is all.
I love you!
Jodi

Dear Santa,
I want a mini-bike and a talking telephone and a little motorcycle, a play one. I want a record player and a little truck with a camper on it, and a ring. I want a hot rod with a track on it and a record. That is enough!
I love you!
Ceasar

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an 8 year old boy. I have been good. I would like a BB gun and a shot gun.
Love,
Kyle Gibbs.

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 6 years old. I am in the first grade. I am a girl. For Christmas I want a bean bag, doll and a Snoopy toothbrush. My brother wants a choo choo train.
Tracie Tomlinson


Dear Santa Claus,
I am an 8 year old boy. I have 5 brothers and I have 4 sisters. I have been a good boy. I would like a Foot ball set and a Race Car track.
Love,
Pat Percifull

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a gun set for Christmas, and a Fort with a Lot of Cowboys and Indians, and a Airplane.
Love,
Greg

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Fort Apache for Christmas.
Love,
John

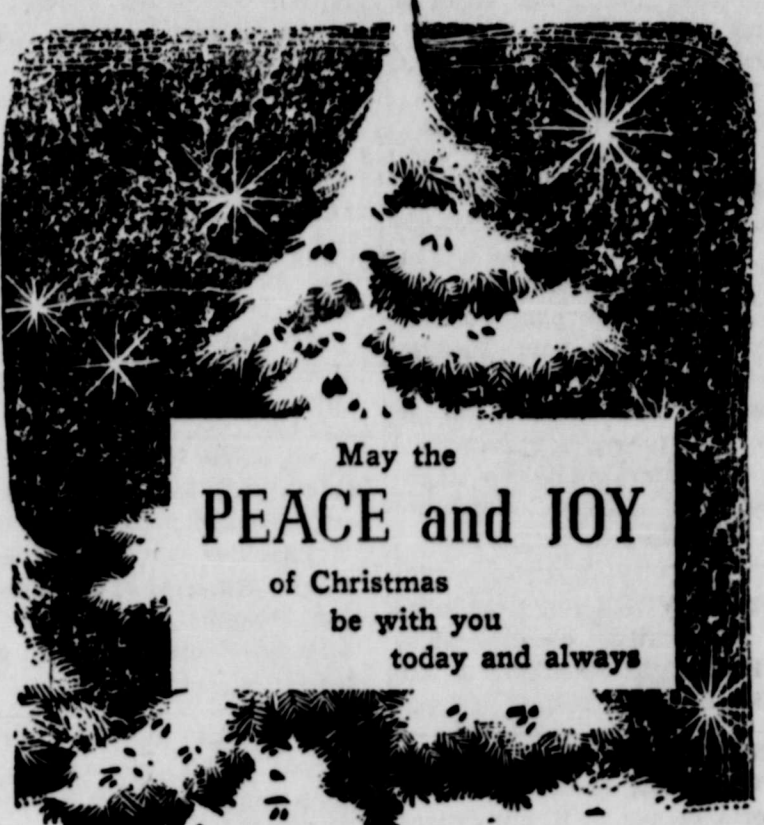
Dear Santa Claus,
I am 6 years old and I am in the first grade. I am a boy. For Christmas I want a football suit and a 2-speed bike. I love you.
Gilbert Abalos

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 6 years old. I am in the first grade. I am a boy. For Christmas I want a football and suit.
Jimmy Skinner



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JERRY THOMASON
Craig Gary Jack



May the
PEACE and JOY
of Christmas
be with you
today and always

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CARD OF THANKS

We are truly grateful to the hospital staff and the many good friends who did so much for us during Do-Dad's long illness, and for the kind expressions of sympathy in our recent sorrow. To all we extend our heartfelt thanks.

The Family of
 E. C. (Do-Dad) Davis

I AM NOT QUITTING THE Avon business, but want to sell some Avon products on hand. See me for decanters, cologne, after shave, men's cologne and every day needs, selling at half price till after the holidays. Joyce Dodson, 706 Bishop, 453-2489.

NO HUNTING

Because of past abuses, no hunting will be allowed on the J. W. Arledge Estate and Palmer Leeper Ranches in Coke and Nolan Counties for the 1972-73 season. Game Warden patrolled. tn

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Notice is hereby given that Coke County Commissioners' Court will receive bids on Tuesday, January 2, 1973, at 10:00 A.M. on one new 1973 model 1/2 ton pickup truck for the County Agriculture Agent, as follows:

One 1973 Model 1/2 ton, long wheel base Pickup Truck.
 Engine, not less than 350 cu. in.

8-Cylinder, automatic transmission w/optional rear axle ratio
 Fleet side (wide box)
 Air cleaner and oil bath
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 Standard cab
 Heavy duty rear springs
 Left and right outside mirrors
 White color
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 One used 1969 8-cylinder 1/2 ton GMC pickup truck.

The Commissioners' Court of Coke County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and waive any technicality.

Weldon Fikes
 County Auditor
 Coke County, Texas

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Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,

I'm glad Christmas is nearly here. I'm nine years old. I want a minibike for Christmas. I hope you have a good Merry Christmas. I'm a good boy I play nice with my friend I'm good to my teacher.

My Name,
 Ray Tijerina

Dear Santa Claus,

I'm glad Christmas is nearly here. I am a girl eight year old. I've tried to be a good girl. I would like to have a coach.

Love,
 Rosemary Costilla

Dear Santa Claus,

I'm glad Christmas will be here soon. I am a girl nine years old. I have tried to be good this year. I wish that you would bring me a white bicycle seat if you can find one. I hope that you will have a Merry Christmas.

Love from,
 Dee Anna Key

Dear Santa Claus,

I'm glad Christmas is nearly here. I am a girl nine years old. I've tried to be a good girl. I would like to have a pink bedspread and a doll sweet angel.

Your friend, Love,
 Kim Caston

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 appreciation for the pleasant relations we have enjoyed with you, we extend the season's greetings and best wishes.

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MISS LINDA KAY HEUVEL, ROBERT J. BEHAN ARE WED IN DYESS AFB CHAPEL CEREMONY

Linda Kay Heuvel and Robert James Behan were married Saturday in Dyess Air Force Base Chapel.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Heuvel of Robert Lee. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Francis Behan of Brussels, Belgium.

Chaplain Wayne Burkey officiated. Elaine Fikes played the organ and soloist was Sterling Allen.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Albert Fields of Odessa, sister of the bride.

Thomas Behan of Falls Church, Va., was his brother's best man. Ushers were Douglas Behan and Dennis Behan, both of Greensboro, N. C., and Barry Behan of Brussels, Belgium, all brothers of the bridegroom.

The bride wore a gown of embroidered organza with empire bodice and chapel train.

Her attendant wore a gown of cranberry velour with embroidered waist and puffed sleeves.

Reception was at Dyess Officers' Club.

Following a trip to Dallas the couple will live in Abilene.

The bride is a graduate of Robert Lee High School and received a bachelor of arts degree in English and Spanish from Southwest Texas State University. She is employed by Abilene Public Schools.

The bridegroom is a graduate of high school in Annadale, Va., and received a bachelor of arts degree in English from Louisiana State University. He is in the U. S. Air Force stationed at Dyess AFB.

Rehearsal dinner was at Buffalo Gap Steakhouse.

MISS ANN FONVILLE HONORED WITH SHOWER

A gift tea honoring Ann Fonville, bride-elect of Lane Beaty, was held Dec. 15 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church.

The table was covered with a lace table cloth over white. The centerpiece was a white heart shape covered with lace and tiny blue flowers. The appointments were crystal.

Hostesses for the tea were Mes. Bob Fields, Lewis Heuvel, Gene Hinnard, Barton Waldrop, Sterling Lindsey, A. J. Roe Jr., Jerry Thomason, Artell Roberts, Vingle Hendley and Arthur Kendall and Miss Gladys Waldrop.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Post are parents of a son born Thursday, Dec. 14, in the San Angelo Clinic Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces and has been named Bryan Allen. Mrs. Post is the former Ann McGinley. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. O. McGinley of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Perry Post of Laverne, Okla. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Blair of Robert Lee.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Kitzmum Sunday were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Prine. Other guests Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Lively and Mrs. Lola Rutledge, all of San Angelo.

Bloodworths Honored On 60th Anniversary

One hundred and forty relatives and friends attended the reception honoring the Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Bloodworth on their 60th Wedding Anniversary. The celebration was held Sunday in the Fellowship Hall of Robert Lee Baptist Church.

Hosting the open house were the couple's seven children: Mr. and Mrs. Allen Bloodworth of Hetaura, Nepal; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bloodworth and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bloodworth of Silver; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bloodworth of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Willie (Daisy) Price of Akron, Colo.; Mr. and Mrs. Waymon (Ruby) Robertson and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. (Jewel) Wallace Jr. of Robert Lee.

All the children were present except Mr. Price. Also present were 11 of their 21 grandchildren and one of their nine great-grandchildren.

Susan Wallace of Robert Lee and Janice Bloodworth of Silver registered the guests. Mrs. Charlie Askins of Euless, Glenda Meuhlbrad of San Angelo, Donna Wallace of San Angelo and Pam McMullen of Abilene served the cake and punch.

Christmas colors of red and white were used in the decoration scheme. The register and serving table were covered with white lace table cloths. On the register

table the couple's wedding picture was displayed. A red flowered pine cone arrangement and three tiered cake trimmed in yellow roses adorned the serving table.

Relatives and friends attended from Robert Lee, Silver, Sanco, Bronte, Blackwell, San Angelo, Snyder, Abilene, Euless, Midland, Christoval, Junction, Water Valley, Brownwood, Goldthwaite, Arlington, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., and Hetaura, Nepal.

PERSONALS

Miss Ann Fonville of San Angelo was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Beaty over the weekend and attended Sunday services at First United Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Walker and girls of Junction and Becky Walker of Brownwood were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Walker and they all attended the 60th wedding anniversary reception for their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bloodworth.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Don Gartinian of Arlington visited here one day last week with his aunts, Mrs. Guy Denman and Mrs. Fronia Scarbrough, and other relatives and friends.

Wilson Carwile of San Angelo visited relatives here Sunday and attended services at Robert Lee Baptist Church.

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Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy 6 years old. For Christmas I want a BB gun.
Joe Torres

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy 6 years old. For Christmas I want a football game and an airplane.
John Page

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an 8 year old boy. I have two sisters. I want to be the Best boy in the World. I would like a punching Bag and a football set.
Love,
Bobby Foust

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an 8 year old girl. I have been a pretty good girl. I would like some skates, Bike, pivot pool game. Sweet Amy.
Love,
Felecia Ford

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a 7 year old girl. I have two sisters. I have been a good girl. I am a big girl. I would like a barbie.
Love,
Maribel Torres

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an 8 year old boy. I am a big boy. I have 5 sisters and no brothers. I would like a football. I would like a football helmet.
Love,
James Clyde Wright

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a 7 year old girl. I have two brothers. I would like a Sweet Cookie doll.
Love,
Shirley Torres

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an 8 year old boy. I have two brothers. I have been a pretty good boy. I would like a Shooting Gallery and a Sizzler's Track.
Love,
Jimmie Sawyer

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an 8 year old girl. I have three brothers. I am going to be a good girl from now until Christmas. I would like a desk and a Coke machine.
Love,
Leslie Drennan

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 6 years old and in the first grade. I am a boy. For Christmas I want guns and Indian things and football game and GI Joe.
Doug Bell

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy 7 years old. For Christmas I want a Gun rack and gun.
Richard Jacobs

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy 7 years old. For Christmas I want toys.
Johnny Torres

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 6 years old. I am in the first grade. I am a girl. For Christmas I want a baby tndr love and Snoopytoot, bean bag doll, tooth brush. I want toys for my brother.
Mary Alice Lara

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 6 years old. I am in first grade. I am a girl. For Christmas I want a baby Tndr Love.
Rhonda Prentice

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Merry Christmas

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Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an 8 year old boy. I have a sister. I would like a Ten speed bike and a football. My sister would like a Doll. My Dad would like a currur. My Mother would like a brick house. I am a good boy.

Love,
Kerry Wrinkle

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an 8 year old boy. I have a sister. I have been a good boy. My sister would like a doll. I would like a Bow and Arrow and a Football Suit.

Love,
Lupe Torres

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a 7 year old boy. I have 4 brothers. I have been a good boy. I would like a bike and that's all.

Love,
Terry Millican

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an 8 year old girl. I have been good. I would like a Bean Bag, Chair and a Pivot Pool game. I have a 2½ year old brother. He has been good too. He would like an inch worm and a real football.

Love,
Leigh Ann and Robert Runnion

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a 7 year old boy. I have 1 sister and 1 brother. I would like a bow and 25 Arrows. My Mother and Daddy would like a grass trimmer. And I would like a golden-night.

Love,
Everett Wilson

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a 7 year old girl. I have been a good girl. I would like a Snoopy tooth brush, clothes and skates.

Love,
Amy Percifull

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a 7 year old girl. I have been a good girl. I have one brother. I would like a Bulletin Board and a Barbie Camper.

Love,
Teri K. Bryan

Dear Santa Claus,
I am an 8 year old girl. I have two brothers and one sister. I have been a good girl. I would like a Record player and records.

Love,
Teresa Clawson

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 7 years old. I have been a good boy. I would like a Fat track. I have 1 brother. I have two sisters.

Love,
Jerry Fambro

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a 7 year old girl. I have one sister. I have been a good girl. I would like a hair dresser's set.

Love,
Debbie Cummins

MAY WE EXTEND TO YOU OUR WARMEST

GREETINGS

To everybody...

Gordon's Variety Store



Sincere Good Wishes

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

Juanita and Jack Trimble

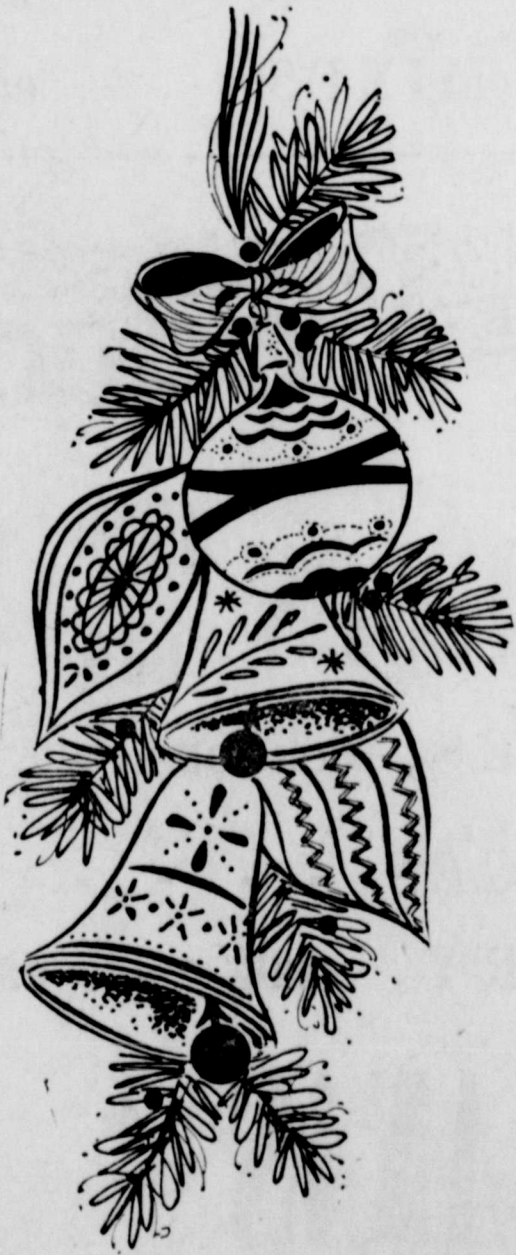
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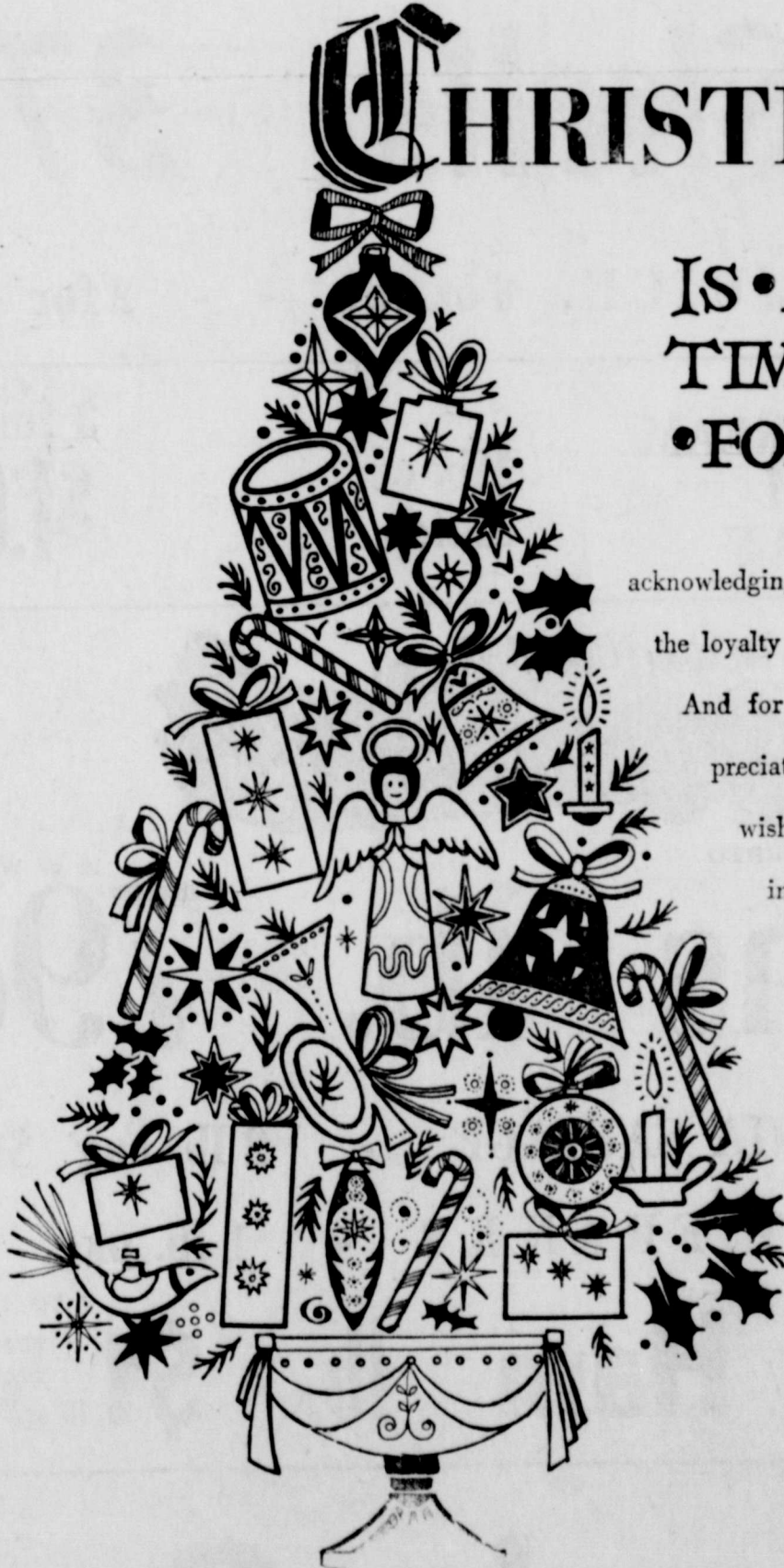


MAY THE BEST OF EVERYTHING COME YOUR WAY

MR. & MRS. O. B. JACOBS
AND JIM

CHRISTMAS

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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

Tasty Treats for Christmas *Feasting*

We are extremely grateful to all our good friends and customers who have patronized us so generously during the past year. At this Christmas season we want to wish you a happy holiday and all the joys of the season.

Shortening 3 Lb. Can
SNOWDRIFT **79c**

LIPTON TEA BAGS - - - 48 ct. 69c
 LIPTON TEA - - - - - 1/2 lb. box 89c
 STUFFED OLIVES - - - 5 oz. jar 45c
 ZEE NAPKINS, 60 ct. - - - 2 for 29c
 CHIFFON PAPER TOWELS, big roll - 3 for \$1.00
 CHIFFON FACIAL TISSUES, 200 ct. - 3 for \$1.00
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FROZEN FOOD *Festival*

COOL WHIP - - - - - qt. crt. 65c

TWIN PACK
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GOOCH'S
 OLDE VIRGINIA SAUSAGE - 2 lb. bag \$1.69

GOOCH'S
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BEANS, 303 can - 2 for 55c

DEL MONTE
SWEET PEAS, 303 can - 2 for 55c

DEL MONTE 303 CAN
FRUIT COCKTAIL - 2 for 65c

OUR DARLING
CORN, 303 can - - 2 for 45c

OCEAN SPRAY 2 NO. 303 CANS
Cranberry Sauce 69c

EVANGELINE
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MARSHMALLOW CREME - pt. 32c

GLADIOLA FLOUR - 5 lb. bag 63c

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COCONUT - - 7 oz pkg 39c

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Christmas
to all



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Greetings

May this
Christmas bring
special joy to
you and yours.

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SMITH

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus,
I am glad Christmas is coming.
I am nine years old. How are
you and Mrs. Santa Claus. I am
very well. I want a doll that
crys and her little bath tub.
Love,
Betty Ybarra

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm glad Christmas is nearly
hear. I'm a girl eight years old.
I've tried to be a good girl. I
want a typewriter and cotton
stripper. I would like you to
bring a presnet for my little cow-
boy gur, cowboy hat.
Yolanda Torres

Dear Santa,
I'm glad Christmas is nearly
here. I am a girl nine years old.
I've tried hard to be a good girl
and I'm working my hardest in
scool. For Christmas I would like
a birthstone ring for September.
I hope you will give poor children
something too.
Love,
Kenda Rasco

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm glad Christmas is nearly
here. I am a boy eight years old.
I've tried to be a good boy. I
want a football and a bike for
me and a riffle. I hope you have
a Merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Armando Sanchez

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm glad Christmas is nearly
here. I am a boy eight years
old. I've tried to be a good boy.
I would like a John Deer Trac-
tor and a cotton stripper. I
would like for everyone's stock-
ing to be full.
Your friend,
Bob Flowers

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm glad Christmas is here. I
am a boy eight years old. I've
tried to be a good boy. I want
some cleats and a taperecorder
and a Dallas cowboy suit. I would
like for everyone's stocking to be
full.
Love,
Eddie Caulder

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a girl eight years old. I
have tried to be good this year.
I want an organ piano for Christ-
mas. How are you?
Love from,
Lupe Munoz

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm glad Christmas is nearly
here. I am a boy eight year old.
I've tried to be a good boy. I
would like to have a walkie-tal-
kie. I'm working my hardest in
school.

Love,
Cixto Saucedo

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm glad Christmas is nearly
here. I'm a girl. I'm nine years
old. I've tried so hard to be
a good girl. I've would like to
have a teddy bear and a Record-
player. I hope you have a happy
Merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Mary Galvan

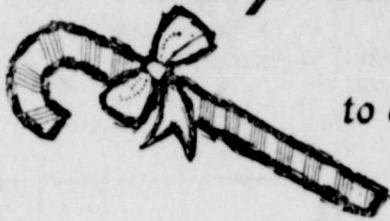
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Happy Holidays

One of the nicest things about this season of the year is the
opportunity it gives us to send greetings to our friends and
customers. From all of us to all of you, Merry Christmas
and Happy New Year.



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the BLESSINGS of
CHRISTMAS

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SPECIALTY SHOP

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W. D. McAdams

Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm glad Christmas is nearly here. I am a boy eight years old. I've tried to be a good boy. I would like to have a bicycle and a rifle. I would like for everyone's stocking to be full.

Love,
Tom Bosworth

Dear Santa Claus,
I am glad Christmas is nearly here. I am a boy eight years old. I've tried to be a good boy. I would like to have a minibike and a dune buggy. I would like for everyone's stocking to be full. Please bring my brothers some dune buggy.

Love,
Ray Torres

Dear Santa,
I will like your visit on Christmas eve. Please do bring poor children something too because when you come I hope you do. I want some walkie talkies and some Rock en Sock en Robots.

Letter by,
Darren Williams

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm glad Christmas is nearly here. I am eight years old. How are you? How is your wife. I have been a good boy. I would like a rockem sockem robots and a nfl football sout. That's all.

Love,
Matt Wilson

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm glad Christmas is nearly here. I am a boy eight year old. I am a good boy. I would like to have a train and a walkie talkie. I would like for everyone's stocking to be full.

Love,
Edwin Clell Smith

Dear Santa Claus,
I am glad Christmas is nearly here. I am eight years old. I've tride to be a good boy. I would like to have a rifle and a three speed bike. I would like to have every ones stocking to be full.

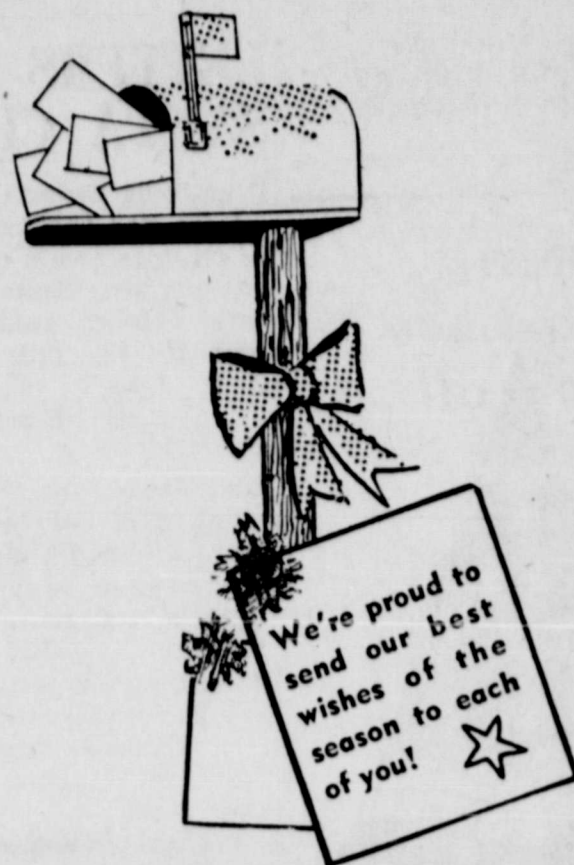
Your friend,
Tommy Wayne Bryant

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm glad Christmas is nearly here. I am a girl nine years old. I've tried to be a good girl. I hope every children have toys. I want a snow cone maker.

Love,
Priscilla Ramirez

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm glad Christmas is nearly here. I am a boy nine years old. I have tried to be as nice as I can be. I want a toy dune bugby. I hope you will give the poor children something too. Santa, I hope you have a merry Christmas.

Love,
Buck Duncan



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BALLINGER, TEXAS

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 appreciation for the pleasant relations we have enjoyed with you, we extend the season's greetings and best wishes.

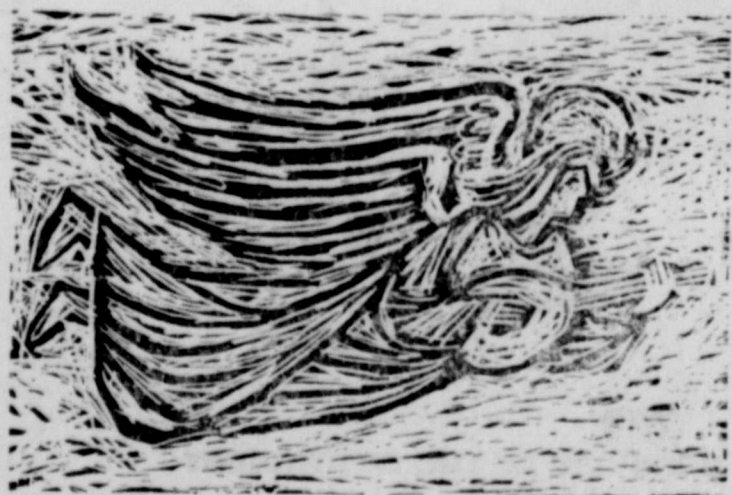
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It Has Been Our **GOOD** Fortune

— to do business with the finest people on earth and the spirit of the season brings renewed appreciation of old associations and the value of new friends. May it always be our good fortune to serve you. We hope to merit your continued friendship and patronage.

Merry Christmas

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SPECIAL GREETING TO
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FUL FRIENDS. OUR HEART-
FELT THANKS AND BEST
WISHES.

*Merry
Christmas*



Since I am retiring as Commissioner of Precinct 1 in January, we feel that this is a special Christmas and that we want to thank all of you for the many favors shown us during the 16 years I have served as your Commissioner. We are indeed grateful for your help and friendship.

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 40 ct. (Heavy Duty) Bag **79c**

REYNOLDS FOIL - reg. size box 29c

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ZEE TOILET TISSUE - 2 roll pkg. 19c

VIVA TOWELS, lg. rolls - 3 for \$1.00

SCOTTIE FACIAL TISSUES - ^{200 CT. BOX} 25c

Baker's Choc.
 Chips
 6 Oz. Bag
25c

Griffin Angel
 Coconut
 14 Oz. Bag
59c

Be Sure and
 Register Every
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 For Our Xmas
 Drawing

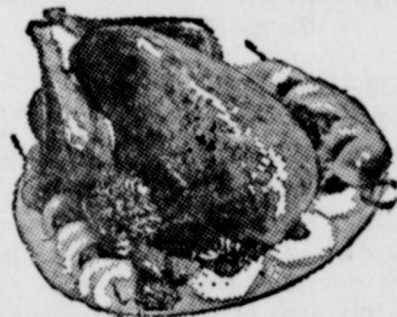
Crisco
 3 Lb. Can
79c
 Limit One Please

Griffin Crystal
 White Syrup
 Full Quart Jar
59c

Fresh Green Onions - 2 bunches 25c
 Fresh Green Cabbage - - lb. 9c
 Russet Potatoes - 10 lb. bag 59c
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May each moment of Christmas ring with joy for you and your family.

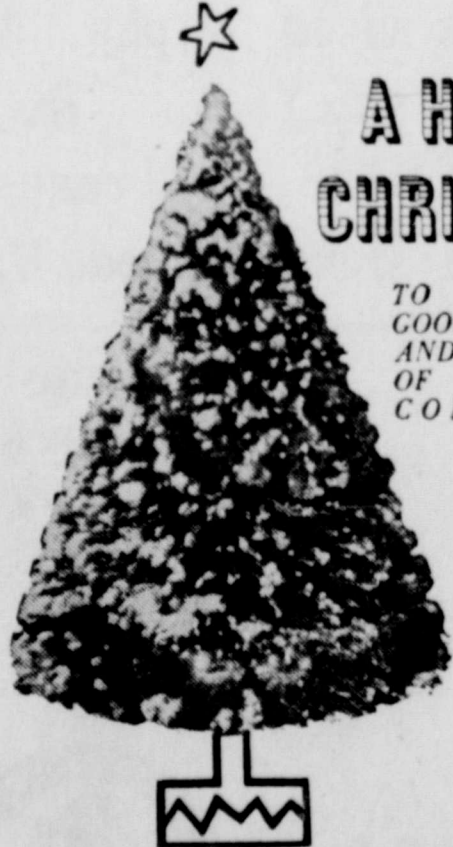
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Thank You
 is the most sincere expression we know to convey our appreciation of your friendship this past year.

We extend to you our warmest greetings and good wishes for happiness.

WESTERN AUTO STORE
 Bob & Phelan Wrinkle and Family



A HAPPY CHRISTMAS
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W. H. MAXWELL, JR.
DON EDMASTON

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus,
 I am an 8 year old boy. I have been a good boy. I would like a shot gun and a ten speed bike.
 Love,
 Steve Lloyd

Dear Santa Claus,
 I am a 7 year old boy. I have Ben a good Boy. I would like a santa Claus suit and a Mini Bike.
 Love,
 Gary Caulder

Dear Santa,
 I am an 8 year old boy. I have two brothers. I would like a horse and a snow cone maker.
 Love,
 Ricahd Ramirez


Dear Santa Claus,
 I am an 8 year old boy. I am a good boy. I am a big boy. I want a football and mini-Bike.
 Love,
 Pat Heffernan

Dear Santa Claus,
 How are you and your wife Santa Claus. I love you Santa Claus. Santa Claus I want a GI Joe and electric shoting gallery. Please bring my brother a racing Track set.
 Love,
 Joey Millican

Dear Santa Claus,
 I'm glad Christmas is nearly here. I'm nine years old. I tried to be a Good Girl. I would like to have a tape recorder and talking doll. I hope you have a Merry Christmas.
 Your friend,
 Melinda Torres


Dear Santa Claus,
 I'm glad Christmas is coming. I made the honor roll 2 this year. I am a boy nine years old. I've tride to be a good boy. I would like very much to have some walky talkys and a miny bike. I wold like for everyone's stocking to be full.
 Love,
 Steve Eldred

Dear Santa Claus,
 I made the honor roll two times. December 3 our family had a baby cow. I am a boy eight year old. I'm working my hardest in school. Our class made the month of December and put it on the wall. Please bring my brother a radio and me General Custer's horse and Johnny West's horse.
 Love,
 Clifton Millican



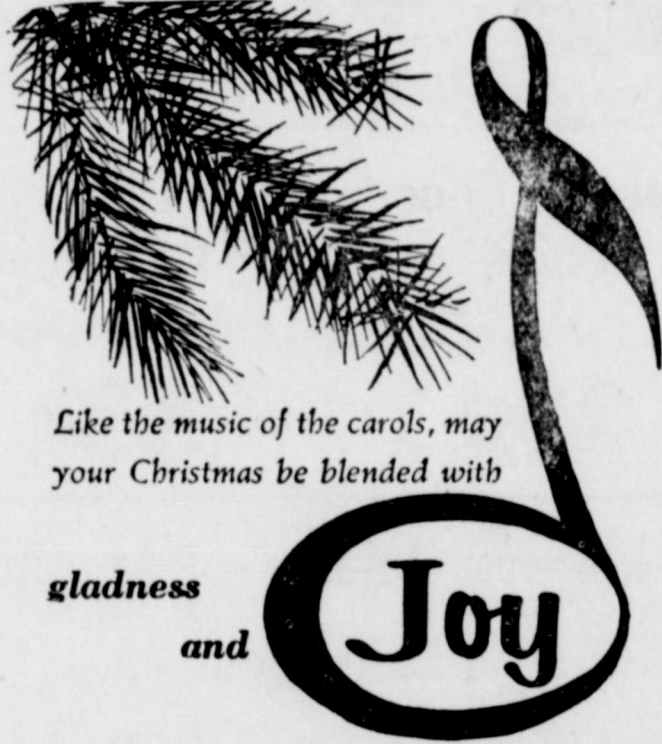
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It isn't far to
 Bethlehem.
 It's anywhere that
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 Someone.



MAY EVERY CHRISTMAS BLESSING BE YOURS


Bessie Walker



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

gladness and Joy

Ava Lou, Jerome & Vince



CHRISTMAS

MAY LASTING FRIENDSHIPS CHEER YOUR HEART AND MAY GOOD HEALTH AND HAPPINESS BE YOURS NOT ONLY AT THIS HOLIDAY SEASON BUT ALL THROUGH THE YEAR.

The Lomas'
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