

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Joy to the World...

Dimmitt Blue Bird girls exemplify the spirit of Christmas as they wrap and pack their homemade candy to be sent to the county's servicemen all over the world this Christmas. From left are Vicki Cleveland, Harriett Dunaway, Keri Hufhines, Laine Snider, Lou Phillips, Kim Weatherford, Debbie Dobbs and Ramonda Young.

Lena and Louie Allen
Mr. and Mrs. Wes Anthony
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Annen and Claude
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bagwell
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Blackwell
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Butler and Family
Joe, Dugan and Butch Butler
Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Burkett
Mrs. Agnes Brockman
Mrs. Perlie Beck
Mr. and Mrs. George Bagwell
Mrs. Pauline Bell
Mrs. George Burch
The Milton Bagwell Family
Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Baylets
Mr. and Mrs. David Behrends and Girls
Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Bowden
The Chet Braafladt Family
The James Bradfords
Ed and Maxine Brock
Mr. and Mrs. Bud Birdwell
Fred, Juanita, Sandra and Mike Bruegel
Truett Boothe Family
Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Beyers
Mr. and Mrs. Ivor Bagwell
Lonnie Bell Family
Dr. and Mrs. John D. Blackburn and Family
The Lloyd Blanton Family
Ronnie and Susie Blanton
Lon, Betty, Janie and Lonnie Boothe
Mr. and Mrs. Ira E. Brown
Joe H. Bruce
Bill, Kathryn and Jim Birdwell
Kent and Mary Jo Birdwell and Family
Mr. and Mrs. George Bradford
Weldon and Irene Bradley
Danny and Brenda Bruton
Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Brown
Robert and Margaret Buntyn
The Monty Boozers
Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Clingsmith
Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Carlile
Deroy and Lorena Cates
Norman and Gladys Cleavinger
Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Cook
Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Cluck, Mark and Susie
Mr. and Mrs. Tex Conard
Bob Crozier Family
Floyd and Nell Copeland
The Jerry Cluck Family
Mr. and Mrs. Rex Cowart and Terry
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cartwright, Edwin and Jerry

Ulys and Millicent Davis
Betty, Edgar, Connie and Debbie Dennis
Sal and Mary DiCuffa
Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Duncan and Glenn
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Dowty
Aural C. Davis
Cecil and Trudy Dennis
Morgan, Geneva and Decimae Dennis
Floyd and Fern Dickey
Elvon, Sue, Shannon and Tanya DeVaney
Mr. and Mrs. Harley E. Dodd
Mrs. A. A. Dodd
Jim, Dorothy and Trudy Elder
Mrs. B. A. Fuller, Craig and Bruce
Nolan, Evie, George, Robert Froehner
Mrs. Cletha George
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ginn
Mr. and Mrs. Lester Gladden
Mrs. W. T. Gollehon
Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gripp and Family
John and Dorothy Gilbreath and Family
Jack and Chollis George and Family
The Jim Golding Family
Mr. and Mrs. Noel Gollehon
Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Gilbreath
Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Hershey
James, Maxie, David and Dean Horton
Nancy and Charlie Hays
Billy and Ruth Hackleman
Mrs. Ina Hackleman and Russell
Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Howe
Jim Hamilton and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Don Hargrove and children
Ben and Bernice Hill and Benny
Mrs. Elizabeth Huckabay
Mr. and Mrs. Murray Hall and Family
Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Holland
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hollums and Girls
Mrs. J. R. Harris
Jim and Ruth Hays
Mrs. Leola Haberer
Janie Hastings
Mr. and Mrs. Pat Hardy
The Dan Heard Family
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Howell and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Howell, Kennen and Kim
Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Hargrove
Kathy, Terry and Brent Hill
The Walt Hansens
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hunter and Family
Mrs. Maurine Henderson
The Ben Holcombs
Jack and Nell Ingram
The Claude Johnsons

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Jarvis and Garland
W. W., Ferne and Harry Jones
The Ewell Kelley Family
Mrs. Faye Kenmore
W. F. and Lucille King
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kuntz and Family
Troy and Billie Kirby, Keri, Bobby & Kent
Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kirkpatrick
Max, Irene, Katrina Keating
Mrs. Irving King
Mrs. Bill Kitchens
Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Killingsworth and Jerry
Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Messenger
Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Lay
Lucy Leinen
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lust
Mr. and Mrs. Vern Lust
Roy and Mozelle Lilley
Mr. and Mrs. Houston Lust and Family
Florene, Dale and Shirley Leinen
Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Little
Mrs. Rex Love
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Moore and Larry
F. J. and Louise Mears
Goodwin and Jeanie Miller
The Glenn Merritts
Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Maples
Phyllis and Bob Mooney
The Dale Maxwell Family
Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Minchew
Mr. and Mrs. Russel A. Moran, Pat and Scott
Wade and Walter Maynard
The John Merritt Family
Hazel Merritt
Mr. and Mrs. Jack R. Miller and Family
Dorothy Magness

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Maples, Sr. and C. G., Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. Bob McLean and Charles
Edd, Jackie, Marilyn and Judy McLeroy
Carolyn and David McDonald
Lester and Ettie McDermitt
Gladys McLain and Family
Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Nelson
D. and Clara Neumayer
Mr. and Mrs. Ester Noble
Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Neal
R. O., Allena, Jay and George Nelson
Woodrow and Alma Nelson
Buford, Dorothy, Danny and Terrie Newton
Donny, Wanda and Joel Nelson
The Don Nelsons
Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Noble and Family
Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Nelson
Mr. and Mrs. Buford Owens and Eddie
Mrs. Lurline Pope and Darrell
Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Patton and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Ramey
Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Ratcliff
Mrs. Kay Roberts
The Ray Robertson Family
Dale and Wilma Reeves
O. C. Renfro
Clyde and Betty Renfro
Helen Richardson
Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy L. Ross
Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Shannon and Family
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Stehr
Jack and Alta Summers
Mr. and Mrs. Ezell Sadler
Mrs. Ray E. Sheffy
Mr. and Mrs. Al Schoenenberger and Family
The Ted Sheffys

The Weldon Skiners
Gene Smith and Family
Mrs. Lavina Smith
Mr. and Mrs. Leland Smith
Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Stiles
Ioma, N. B., Sue and Lee Stokes
Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Summers
Mrs. Rachel Summers
The 6 Sides
Ralph, Avis and Steve Smith
Sam, Naomie and Donald Scarborough
Ray and Grace Strother and Family
The Rayphard Smithsons
Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Summers and Family
The Elbert Smith Family
Mr. and Mrs. Embree R. Sadler
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sava
The Gerald Summers
Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Schaeffer and Family
Larry and Jean Morris and Scott
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Summers and Family
Mr. and Mrs. James Slough and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Thompson
Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Trimble
Melvin L. Tiemann
Mrs. Mattie Turner
Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Teague
Mr. and Mrs. Doyl Underwood & Girls
Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Underwood and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Vandiver
Mr. and Mrs. James Welch and children
Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Wooddell
Harley and Sharon Wilke
The Carroll Webb Family
Mr. and Mrs. Rex Wooten, Dudley and Joyce
Mrs. E. B. Wright
Mr. and Mrs. Buck Word
Mrs. G. H. Webb
Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Willis, Jr.
Ted, Nola, Richard, Karen, Dondi Wood
Donald, Katy, Rick, Tim & Sheri Wright
Mrs. Ethel Womack
Lilla Mae Wright
The Frank Wise Family
Mr. and Mrs. John Wood and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Dewey L. Wright and Dorothy Mae
Mrs. J. C. Williams
Mr. and Mrs. R. Young
Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Youts
Mr. and Mrs. John Womack and children
Barbara Wheat and children

This is your Christmas greeting from each of us. Instead of sending individual Christmas cards, we have donated our card money to the Dimmitt Cemetery Association to help with the perpetual care of Castro Memorial Gardens.

It is our hope that Christmas 1969 will be a joyous and meaningful one for you, and that you and yours will enjoy the richest of God's blessings throughout the coming year.

Children's Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa Claus,
I want a football and a bbgun
I am a good boy.
Love,
Steven Jeffry Elliott

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bike and any
thing you want to bring me.
I like you and I know you like
me. I hope you a Merry Christ-
mas. And don't forget my par-
ents and don't forget the poor
people.
From Leon Husema

Dear Santa Claus,
Here I am writing you this few
lines just to say hello. I hope
you will bring me a doll and a
doll carriage. I've been a good girl.
I hop you give all the children
a gift if you can. Merry Christ-
mas Santa Claus.
Love,
Elena Campos

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a miniature
trensportor and johny west and
his family and a racing car set
with three sides to put cars,
Your friend,
Darryl Acker
Have a Merry Christmas
Thank you

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 9 years old. I live at 109
NW 12th. I have been a very good
little girl. I help my mother. I do
what I am told. All I want for
Christmas is a Barbie doll case.
Do you really have a son named
Willy Claus. I hope you do be-
cause we sing about him in mu-
sic. I guess I had better say Good
by! Merry Christmas and a Hap-
py New Year.
Your Friend,
Kimmie Ann Hollums

Dear Santa Claus,
I want an official football.
Love,
Leroy Ramirez

Dear Santa
Please bring me a doll and
a easy bake and one of the
little piano that is all I want
now I love you Santa thank you
for the toys please bring a game
and a puzzle and a little bike to
ride and sled two sleds one for
my little brother please do not
forget my Mother and Father please
do not forget to give my Sister
a pres
from Michele Ann Acker

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good this year. I
would like a new born baby. I
have been wishing for one all
year.
Love,
Diane Love

Dear Santa,
Please bring m3 a doll that
walks and has long hair.
And I want some dishes and a
jump rope.
And bring me an exstria gift
if you want to.
Don't forget my Parents and
sisters and brothers.
I love you, Remember me,
Thank you
Teresa Loise Brockman

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a good little girl. My
name is Maria Rajas. I am in
the third grade. I want a swinging
doll, a ring, and this is all for this
Christmas.
Your friend,
Mary Rajas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a ford tractor
set from set Hot Wheel set
Combine set Cowboy Boot size 2.
From Harold Wilhelm

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Johne tagle
gun and a truck to play with.
Hot Wheel set and a toy horse.
And some candy and duel wheel
tractor. And a toy aurplant.
Thank you
From Cary Acker

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a pogo-
stick and a doll in a infants seat.
My little sister would like a
baby doll.
Love,
Roxanne Gallion

Dear Santa,
Please bring me hot wheel track
b-b gun toy gun with a holster
toy car, hoppity hop walk horse
walk doll for my sisiter, toy car
for my borther.
from Ivan Schacher

Dear Santa Claus,
We have a Christmas tree in
our room and the other rooms
have Christmas trees to. Santa I
want a wig that goes to my wast
my hair is dark brown and I want
a play house and some furnitures
just big enough for me.
Love,
Ydolina Sepeda

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl. I am
in the third grade and I am 10
years old. I want a Tippy Toes
doll, an Easy bake oven a pop-
corn popper, hoppity hop ball, a
box of dishes, and a pair of black
Go-Go boots, and some clothes. I
live at 309 SW 3rd St.
Your friend,
Susan Olvera

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade please
bring me some Go-go boots and
a story book and doll clothes
animal twister and a Thing Mak-
er. I love you.
Rebecca Hoelting

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl, I want
some Go-Go boots, an Easybake
oven, and Swingy. I hope I'm not
asking for too much.
Love,
Norma Sandoval

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a hot will
set and a Popcornmaker and a
pussle, bring somether for my
Mhother and Father, Remember
to bring my brther and me and
Fater and Mother somther to
get form Gary Book, thing for
evething

Dear Santa,
I want a Easy bake oven and
a Swingy doll, a Dancearena a
tea set a talking Barbie doll
tippy toes doll Popity corn popper
a candy cotton machine a wrist
watch a doll that glUYrows hai
trats all I want Santa
Love,
Lupina Aleman

Dear Santa,
I have tried my best to be
good this year and I hope I have.
I want a bicycle that is called
a Pea Picker, also I would like
an electric football set the kind
they tackle each other, I hope you
have them all.
Merry Christmas!
Your freind,
David Blackburn

Dear Santa,
Please bring me Dishies, and a
easy bake set and a play snake
and some games room loom. and
a typewriter and don't forget my
parents and my family.
Love
Gaylene Wilhelm

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a very good girl
this year. I have helped my
mother this year. I would like to
have an Easy Curl Set Dress-
up accessories and a New-born
baby. Have a very Merry Christ-
mas and a happy New Year.
Your friend,
Sue Rita King

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a hot will
set and a Popcornmaker and a
pussle, bring somether for my
Mhother and Father, Remember
to bring my brther and me and
Fater and Mother somther to
get form Gary Book, thing for
evething

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a hot-
wheel track and cars with it, and
a train track with a train, and a
model airplane and a race track
and a rabbit and a polisman suit
Love
Billy Den Leonard

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Melissa. I am in
the 3rd grade. I am a good
little girl in the month of Decem-
ber. I want a Crissy, bubble gum,
nurse kit and thats all I want
for Christmas. I live at 613 W.
Dulan Street. I am 8 years old.
Merry Christmas Santa,
Your freind,
Melissa Myers

Dear Santa
Please bring me a barie doll and
thank you for the candy Santa.
Please remember my family too.
Now bring my baby a doll too.
Please bring my bother a toy
frog too, Thank you for every-
thing.
From Mary Beth Wilhelm

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in third grade and my
name is Delia E. Rosas I want
an easy-bake oven for Christmas.
I hope we get what we want. My
sister wants a doll that talks, and
my brother wan's a truck, and my
little brother wants some Hot
wheels cars. My little sister wants
some dishes. I want some dishes
too. I have four brothers and two
sisters. My big bother wants a
football. Merry Christmas.
Your friend
Dealia E. Rosas

Dear Santa,
I am in the 3rd grade. My
name is Elonda Mixson. For
Christmas I want a Dancerina,
a Buffy doll and a doll buggy.
I live at 605 West Halsell Street.
I have been pretty good this year.
Love,
Elonda Mixson

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a candy cane and a doll
dress and a sled and a Santa
Claus Boots. Oh nuts game a real
watch, most of all I want a hopped
hop. My sister wants one to My
Dog wants a bed, I want a Book
about you ok thats all.
Love
Angela Ross

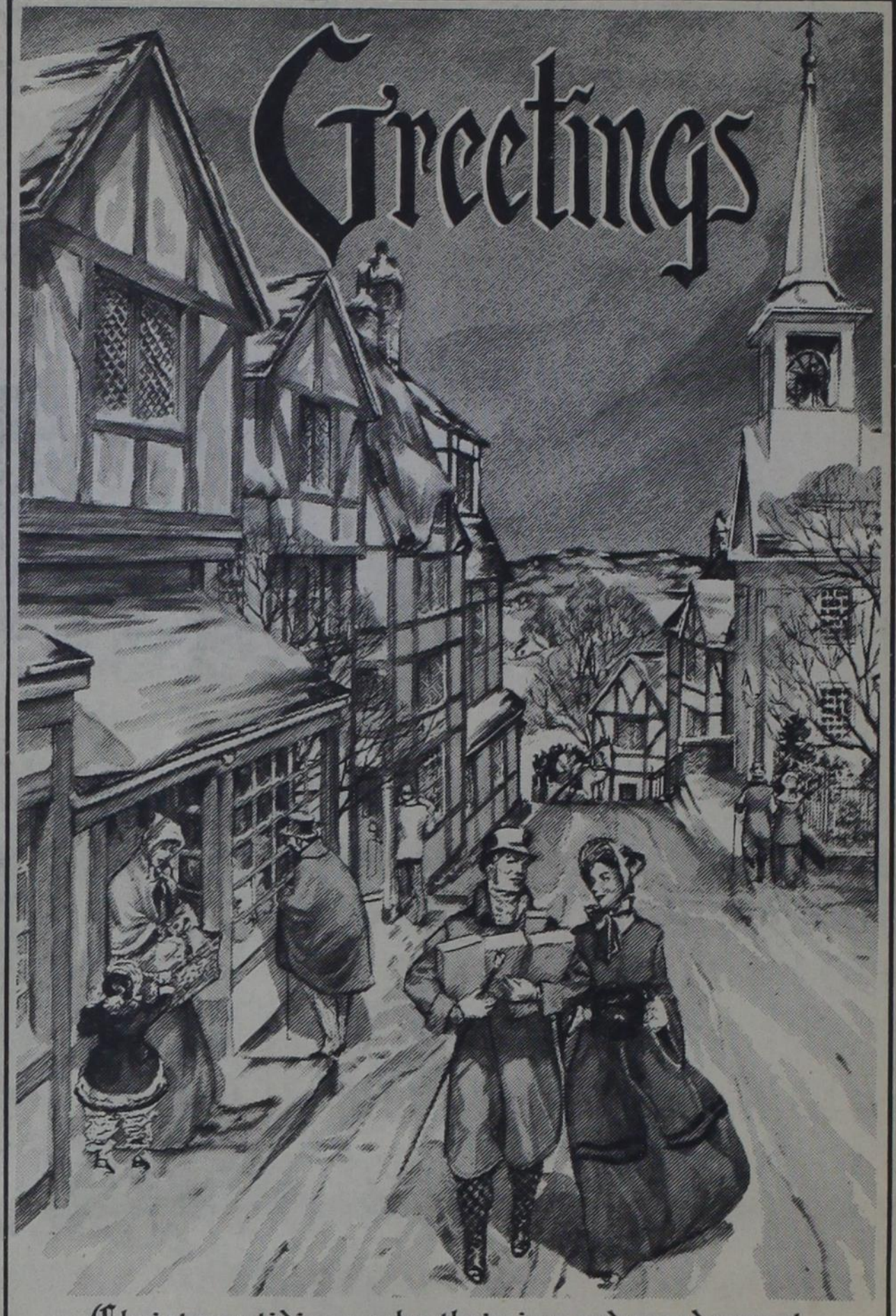
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a gun and
a Range set, and a watch. And
a gutar. And a tractor And a bike.
Remember my parents and brother
and sisters.
Thank you
From Jeffrey Schmucker

Dear Santa,
I want some boxing gloves, you
give me candy, so my family
will give you cookies cackes and
coffee good by.
Love,
Charles Renaud

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a big haul dump
truck And a Michiganun mach-
ins shovl. And a Carry-haul, and
remember my parents and my
brother and sister.
Thank you,
From Robert Pohlmeier

Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle and a Easy
bake oven. And a P.J. doll and
a talking Barbie doll. I also
want a wrist watch. A kerner
play and show. For Christmas I
also want a Merry Merry Christ-
mas. Good by for now Santa.
Love,
Mary Lynn Coody

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a football suit. I want
a write helmet. I want a purple
shirt number 27.
Love,
Gordon Layman



Greetings

Christmas tidings echo their joy and wonderment throughout the land. 'Midst the happy bustle of holiday preparations, we pause to bid wishes for health and happiness to our dear customers, their families and friends. Thank you, one and all.

Dimmitt Safety Lanes

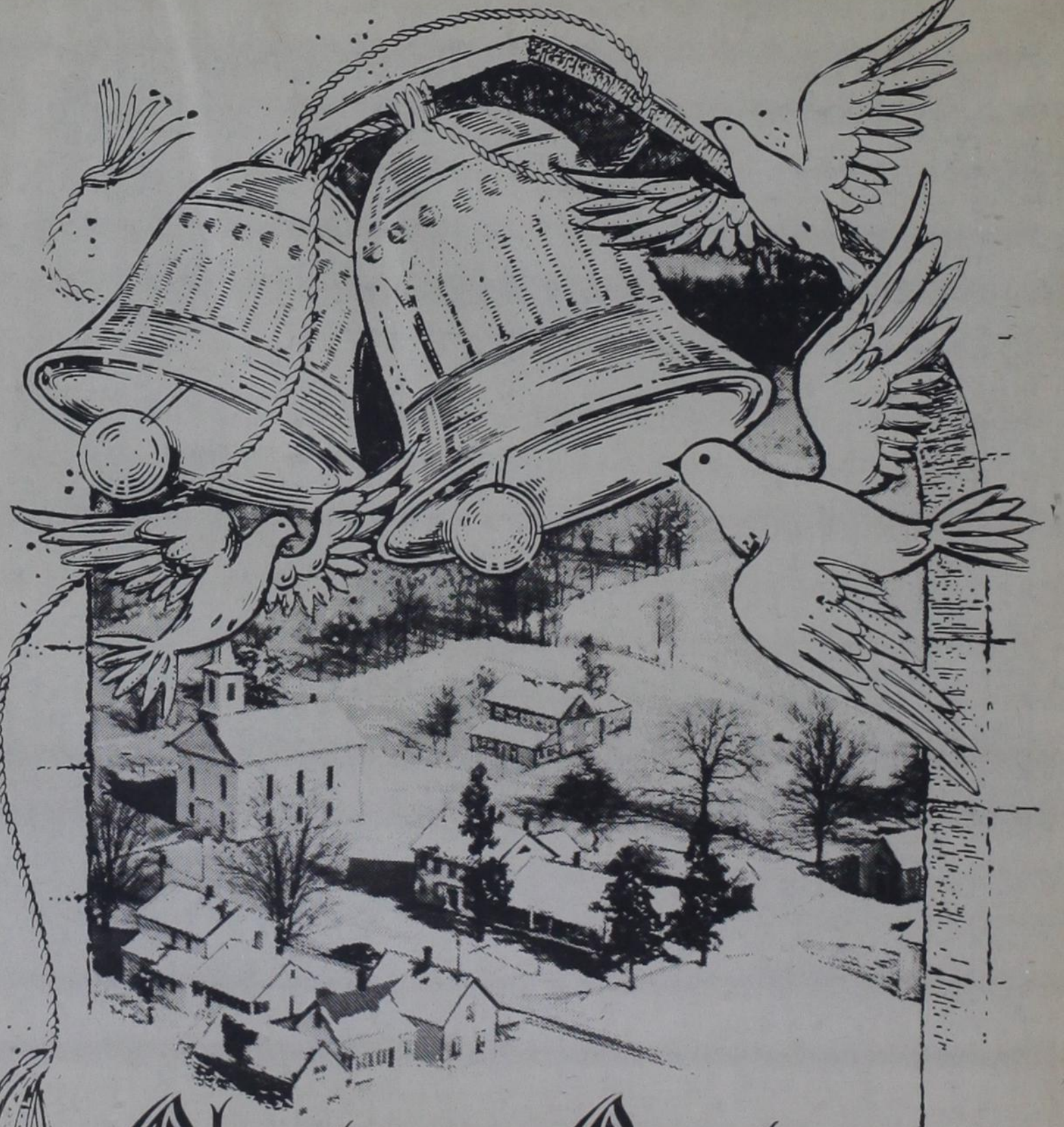
CLIFF COOK

merry Christmas

To friends old and new we send our warmest wishes for a Merry Christmas, filled with the joys of giving and receiving. Our thanks to you.



Parson's Rexall Drug



Christmas Greetings

As the sights and sounds of the holiday season are upon us once again, may we wish all of you a happy and peaceful Christmas. Thank you for your very loyal friendship.

THE NORTH GIN

BILL BIRDWEL, Manager



Start Packing Your Bag Right Now, Santa!



Dear Santa,
Please bring me a truck and a tractor and a three-speed bike and a wrist watch and I want some cow and I want a game and I want a Michigan mochans shovel and I want a race trak. Thank you from Norman Gerber

Dear Santa,
I would like a birthstone necklace. My color is purple. I have ben extra good this year. I haven't much time now. By.

Love,
A'Lann Truelock

Dear Santa,
Please bring me pants and shirt a Tippy-toes with a horse, doll house record player, a bulletin board, and panty hose.

Leona Kleman

Dear Santa,
I want a monkey and a stick and a doll that can talk and a Jack-in-the-box.

Sylvia Sifuentes

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a big wheel tractor and harrow.

Walter Verkamp

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a toy gun, a bike and a football.

Bryan Huseman

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a football suit and a flashlight and a pair of shoes and helmet and pad. I am in the first grade.

Love,
Hector Bernal

Dear Santa,
I am writing this letter to tell you that I want for Christmas. I want a football, a football suit, helmet, and shoes. Please bring a pickup, too, and a robot and batteries and a little garage and play barn. I am in the first grade. You know that I try to be good.

Love,
Randy Huseman

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade. I like school. I want a thing maker and a train with batteries.

Love,
Deliba Gomez

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have the game of life and the game of elve. I have been very good this year. And I would like the game of skippo and the game of Yatzee and a taperecorder especially this year.

Love,
Cheryl Wiseman



CHRISTMAS Blessings

As we relive the miracle of that first Christmas, we send our sincerest greetings to everyone. For your kind patronage, our thanks.

ROBB PUMP CO.

P. P. MADGE DON

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a Tippy Toes and a Barbie Doll, a blue pants and shirt.

Sharon Gerber

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a doll, and a box of dishes.

Dorothy Ann Wilhelm

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a rifle, a dash board of a car, turtle-neck shirt, a Dallas football helmet, a tractor and a trailer.

Gerry Kleman

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a big wheel and a tractor, and a truck, BB gun.

Hugh Wilhelm

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a gun, Farm Set, Fire Set.

Gregory Huseman

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Tippy-toes doll and some clothes.

Lydia Trevino

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a doll house dishes, a watch and a Tippy-toes doll, and a tricycle.

Brenda Birkenfeld

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a rifle, a book, and a bike.

Martin Olvera

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a box car and an airplane.

Kent Hoelting

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade. I want a number workbook, a Barbie Doll kit, dishes and a dress.

Love,
Jean Schulte

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me dollhouse, and a Buffy doll.

Joyce Schacher

I am in the first grade. I am a good boy. I want a Viewmaster and a hot wheel track with cars. I love you.

Chris Albracht

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a race track and car a Dallas football.

Dwayne Acker

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, a record player, a playhouse and play dishes. I go to Nazareth school. I am in the first grade. I love you.

Sylvia Trevino

Dear Santa,
I want an airplane, and a truck, a combine, and a super-ball. I am in the first grade.

Love,
Agapito Garcia

Dear Santa,
I love you. I want a Mrs. Beasley and Buffie doll and some dishes and a Thing Maker and some Go-Go boots and a purse. I am in the first grade in Nazareth school.

Love,
Lori Gerber

p.s. Bring some thing good to Mother, Daddy Grandpa and all the kids.

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the first grade. I go to school at Nazareth. Please bring me a hot wheel track and cars, and a GI Joe, also a Billy Blast-off, and two more things. You know what they are. I love you.

Perry Barham

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Snoopy Space Suit, and a game Hands Down and a tractor and a fire engine and a truck loader and a helicopter for my GI Joe. I work hard in school. I am in the first grade.

Love,
Dale Hoelting

Dear Santa,
I want a Play Farm, a horse shoe set, a football set, a truck and a tractor. I am in the first grade. I love you.

Rodney Kleman

Dear Santa,
I try to be a good boy. Please bring me a steam shovel and a truck and a combine. I am in the first grade.

Love,
Joe Hochstein

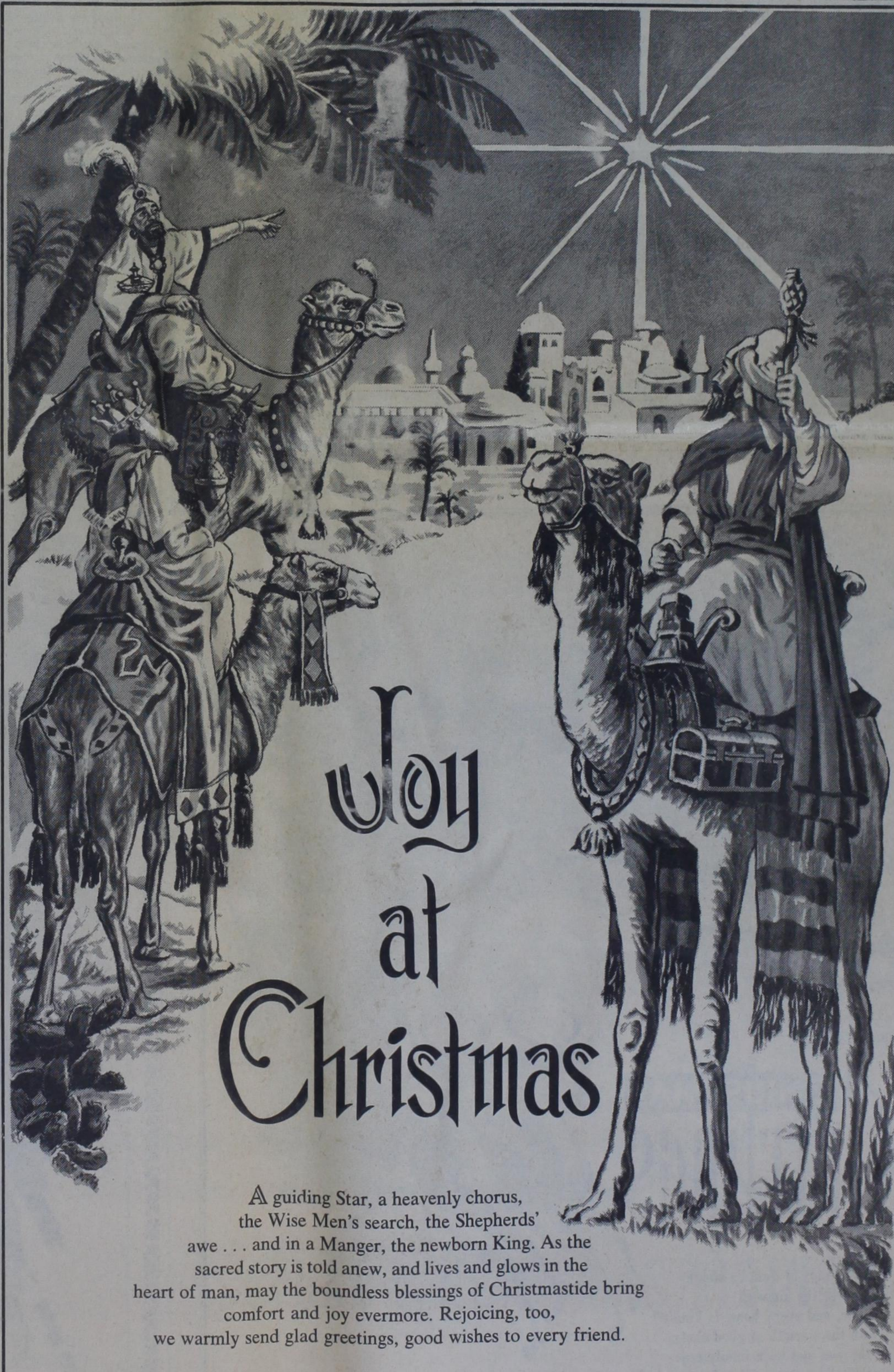
Dear Santa,
I want a Spiro-graph. Bring something nice to mother and daddy and to all my brothers. I love you.

Janet Warren

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like two cars for Christmas. I would like one to be a single racer. That will go 20,000 MPH. The other car will be a Double. They do not have tops. I would like a tape-recorder, electric socks, a magic set, a base station, and a stereo.

Love,
David Mark Oldham

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a playhouse for Christmas bring a doll too. Bring some thing for Mother and Father and my sisters and brothers. Thank you From Elena Sifuentes don forget my parents



Joy at Christmas

A guiding Star, a heavenly chorus, the Wise Men's search, the Shepherds' awe . . . and in a Manger, the newborn King. As the sacred story is told anew, and lives and glows in the heart of man, may the boundless blessings of Christmastide bring comfort and joy evermore. Rejoicing, too, we warmly send glad greetings, good wishes to every friend.

DEAF SMITH COUNTY REC

Serving Castro, Parmer, Deaf Smith and Oldham Counties

Peace on Earth



O, Holy Night, when all the world was still. There, in the distance, shone a mighty star with a luster that burns brightly now in the hearts of all men of good will. May thoughts of that first Christmas bring peace to all.

Thank you for your generous consideration.

CASTRO CO-OP GIN

EARL CHANEY, Manager

Dear Santa-- I Would Like to have a Tractor and a Horse and a Plane and ...

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 6 years old.
I would like to have a bike and
500 race track.
Love,
Matt Aven

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 8 years old.
I like a doll and a wagon. I
have tried to be very good.
Dawn,
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 6 years old.
I would like to have a B-B gun
some skates Hot Wheels super-
charger and a dynamite shack.
Love,
Kelly Irons
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year.
I hope I have been good. My little
brother has been good too. For
Christmas I would like a G.I. Joe.
My little brother would like a toy
Dune buggy. I hope you have what
you need, and have a merry
Christmas.
Love,
Randy Lunsford

Dear Santa Claus,
I want you to bring a watch
for Christmas to me. And my
sister wants you to bring a doll.
And biggest sister a ring. I no
you couldn't bring all of them.
But I hope you can. We won't
be hear so bring it to boninn
that were we will be. I have to
say good by now.
Love,
Mary Lynn Ray

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good. I want a Hot
Wheels Grand Prix set, a Hot
Wheel game, Walke talke and 6
Hot Wheel cars.
Your friend,
Gary Bruegel

the Winter Wedding gown Roma-
tic Ruffles and Leisure Leopard.
Yours truly,
Leanne Crozier
P.S. I'm 9 years old.

Dear Santa Claus
I would like to have a radio
and a watch. I am ready for
Christmas. And my brothers and
sister are ready for Christmas too.
Ricky want a truck. Tina wants
a big doll. Danny wants a bike
and I want a pair of Go-Go
Boots. We have a Christmas tree
at school and at home. I hope
we will have a Happy Merry
Christmas.
Love,
Janie Dimas

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 7 years old.
I would like to have a toy dump
truck and a bike I have tried
to be good this year.
Love,
Jorje Barretero
Hart, Texas

Dere Santa,
I want a doll that drnk, wet,
cry ters, guitar, stroler, move
pojater.
Love,
9 yers old.

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 6 years old
I would like to have a Johnny
Lightning race track set, a rock-
et, and a triceratops. I have tried
real hard to be a good boy.
Love,
Paul Sanchez
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to go to the se-
cret shop. But I can not, I have
been good. I just want one thing.
I want a Tape recorder.
Love,
Heidi Bruegel

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 7 years old.
I would like a watch and a foot-
ball robtobe very good.
Love,
Ronnie Garza

Dear Santa,
I don't want a lot for Christ-
mas. Just a talking Julia and
Dancerina.
Sincerely,
Jonette Stephenson
Age 9

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 7 years old.
I would like to have a wench
truck a new tube for my bike,
and a basketball with a pump
I have tried to be good this year.
Love,
Bill Warren

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good this year. I
would like a newborn baby. And
I would also like a new birth-
stone. And I would like a baby
small talk. And a lot more too
but it would take up too much
room.
Love,
Jean Bradford

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 7 years old.
I would like to have set of
drums, electric guitar and a race
track set.
Love,
Matt K. HART,
Texas.

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl. I want
a Dune Buggy, a monopoly game
and a P.J. Talking Baribe or
Buffy Talking Doll.
How are you and your wife and
all the elves?
Love Always,
Joe Beth Bates

Dear Santa,
I have been good as good as I
can. I hope I have been good en-
ough to get some toys. I wish
fnat I was one of your elves. I
want a football, watch, and a big
electric N.F.L. football set. Please
give me those toys.
I want that football, watch and
that big electric N.F.L. football
set for Christmas.
Do you have a little boy nam-
ed Willy Claus? I hope you do
because we have been singing
about Willy Claus in music.
Your truly good friend
Brent Graef

Dear Santa,
I habe tried to be good but
sometimes I have been bad. If
you think I should have some
toys heres what I want, a foot-
ball, and please if you have one
give me a Suger Charger, a super
Spirograph, four Hot Wheels
and I want only one more thing, it
a new racing car.
Jon Perkins

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Dance-a-rena and
Bags and things for Christsmas.
I hope I've been good this year.
I've tried very hard.
Love,
Teresa Lantz

Dear Santa,
How are you? Is it cold up
there in the North pole? If you
please, I would like some box-
ing gloves for Christmas. I would
also like a Johnny Lightneing 500
and a Hot Wheels Super Charger.
Are your elves working too
hard? Are they getting paid over-
time?
There will be some coffee and
cookies waiting for you at our
house.
Your friend,
Charles

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 6 years old.
I would like a little car to ride
and a little. I am good.
Love,
Leslie Reed
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa and Mrs. Claus,
I have been very good this year.
I do nearly everything I am told
to. I want my tooth that came
cut last year. And I want a bas-
ketball because we are practicing
that at P.E. and a talking Bar-
bie doll.
Love,
Pat Newsom

Dear Santa,
How are you I hope you are
fine.
I want a truck with Hot Wheels.
I have been a good boy. I love
you Santa. And a race taack with
two chapparals, and a electric
football game, and a movie pro-
jector with cartoons, and a rifle
and a pistol and holster.
Yours truly
Dennis Veals

Dear Santo Claus,
I want a Mini bike for Christ-
mas and some candies. I hope
Mrs. Claus is all right and the
Elves are too. Santa is Ruidolph
all right. I have 3 sisters and 2
brothers and Mother and father in
my family. You are a good man,
Santa Claus
Love
Joe Luis Arce



WISHING YOU AND YOURS THE
BEST THIS SEASON HAS TO GIVE.
AND TO ALL OUR PATRONS WE
EXTEND OUR HEARTIEST GRATITUDE
FOR THEIR LOYAL SUPPORT.

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CHRYSTENE, ILENE

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

The sounds of Santa's sleigh-bells fill the air with music, and every home is kindled with the warmth of good cheer. May you and your family enjoy all the blessings of this happy holiday season. Heartfelt thanks for your trust and support. We greatly enjoy the privilege of serving you.

CASTRO COUNTY GRAIN CO.

Peace

Far to the East, a Star shone, and on that first Christmas Eve, its radiance beckoned the Magi to the Miracle of the Manger, there to worship and rejoice in the meaning of His message... "On earth peace, good will toward men." Wherever the wonder of Christmas shines today, may it hearten and inspire us, and may it light the way to peace and joy everlasting.

To friends and patrons, many thanks.

Higginbotham-Bartlett Co.

Get a Bigger Sleigh, Santa Claus!



Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 7 years old. I would like to have an Easy Bake Oven, a Dancerina doll and some play dishes. I have tried real hard to be good this year.
Love,
Becky Cole
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 6 years old. I would like to have a baby doll and a beauty parlor set. I have tried real hard to be good this year.
Love,
Sheila Brooks
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 7 years old I would like a suitcase with hot wheel set and houses.
Love,
Chad Bruington
Hart, Texas

Love,
Leticia Valadez
Hart, Texas

I have tried real hard to be good this year.
Love,
Lorie Ann Martinez

children toys too. I love you Santa.
Yours truly
Miss Diane Hadnett

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 6 years old I would like a talking barbi doll and barbi house and a crazy

wheel car. I have tried to be very good.
Love,
Paul McAdams
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 7 years old. I would like to have a Johnny Lightning ruce track some cars and a cotton candy machine. I have tried real hard to be good this year.
Love,
Russell Clevenger
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 6 years old. I would like to have a Swingy doll, a Slinky, and a Hippity Hop and some play dishes. I have tried real hard to be good this year.
Love,
Emma Castillo

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 6 years old I would like a hot wheel set, some hot wheels and a guitar I have tried to be very good.
Love,
Brad Hill
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 7 years old I would like some drums and a guitar. I have tried to be very good.
Love,
Luis Villegas
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 6 years old. I would like a dancerina, a hop-pity hop and some barbi clothes. I have tried to be very good.
Love,
Tamera Bowden

GREETINGS

At this festive time of year it is our tradition to express the gratitude we feel for the privilege of serving our fine customers and friends.

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 8 years old I would like to have a Dancerina an aluminum cook and baka set and a toy automatic knitting machine. I have tried real hard to be good this year.
Your friend,
Ofelia Caldera
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 7 years old. I would like to have a talking Cinderella, green ghost a light up make up mirror and a Corona Ware dishes set. I have tried to be a good girl this year.
Your friend,
Lee Keller
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 6 years old I would like a barbi doll and a purse. I have tried to be very good.
Love,
Rhonda Davis
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 7 years old. I would like to have a bike, skates and a toy tractor I have tried real hard to be good this year.
Love,
Agustin Perez
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 7 years old. I would like a talking Stacy and a barbi car. I have tried to be very good.
Love,
LaGlenda Wilson

Greetings

As the Yule log glows, so glow our feelings as we extend warm greetings to our customers and friends. Thank you and Happy Holiday to all.

Ivey Insurance Agency

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 7 years old. I would like an electric football set and a suit. I have tried to be a very good.
Love,
Maxcie Craig
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 6 years old. I would like to have a three speed, a Johnny Lightning race track and a motorized car park. I have tried real hard to be good this year.
Love,
Chad Black
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 7 years old I would like a football suit, a piano, a little car.
Love,
Isaias Ponce
Hart, Texas

Tidwell Spraying Service

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 6 years old. I would like a fire truck that runs on batteries. I have been good.
Love,
Benny McLain
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 6 years old. I would like to have a bike and a toy tractor I have tried real hard to be good this year.
Love,
Juan Gonzales
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 7 years old. I would like a wagon and a car. I have tried to be very good.
Love,
Paul Guiterrez
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 7 years old. I would like a Mrs. Beasley doll. I have tried to be very good.
Love,
Gloria

Dear Santa,
I want a talking doll and some close, baby bed, stroler, I am 3 yeres old.
Love,
Darla Butler

Dear Santa,
How are you Santa? I'm just fine I have been pretty good. Please bring me a easy-bake oven. And a camera. Please bring other

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 6 years old and would like a talking telephone and a barbi doll. I have tried to be very good.
Love,
Diane Martinez
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 7 years old. I would like to have a Robot a Christmas stocking with toy cars in it, and a toy drum I have tried real hard to be good this year.
Love,
Joe Guzman
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 6 years old. I would like to have a helicopter train set and Johnny Lightning race track set. I have tried to be a nice boy.
Love,
Kirk Pigg
Hart, Texas

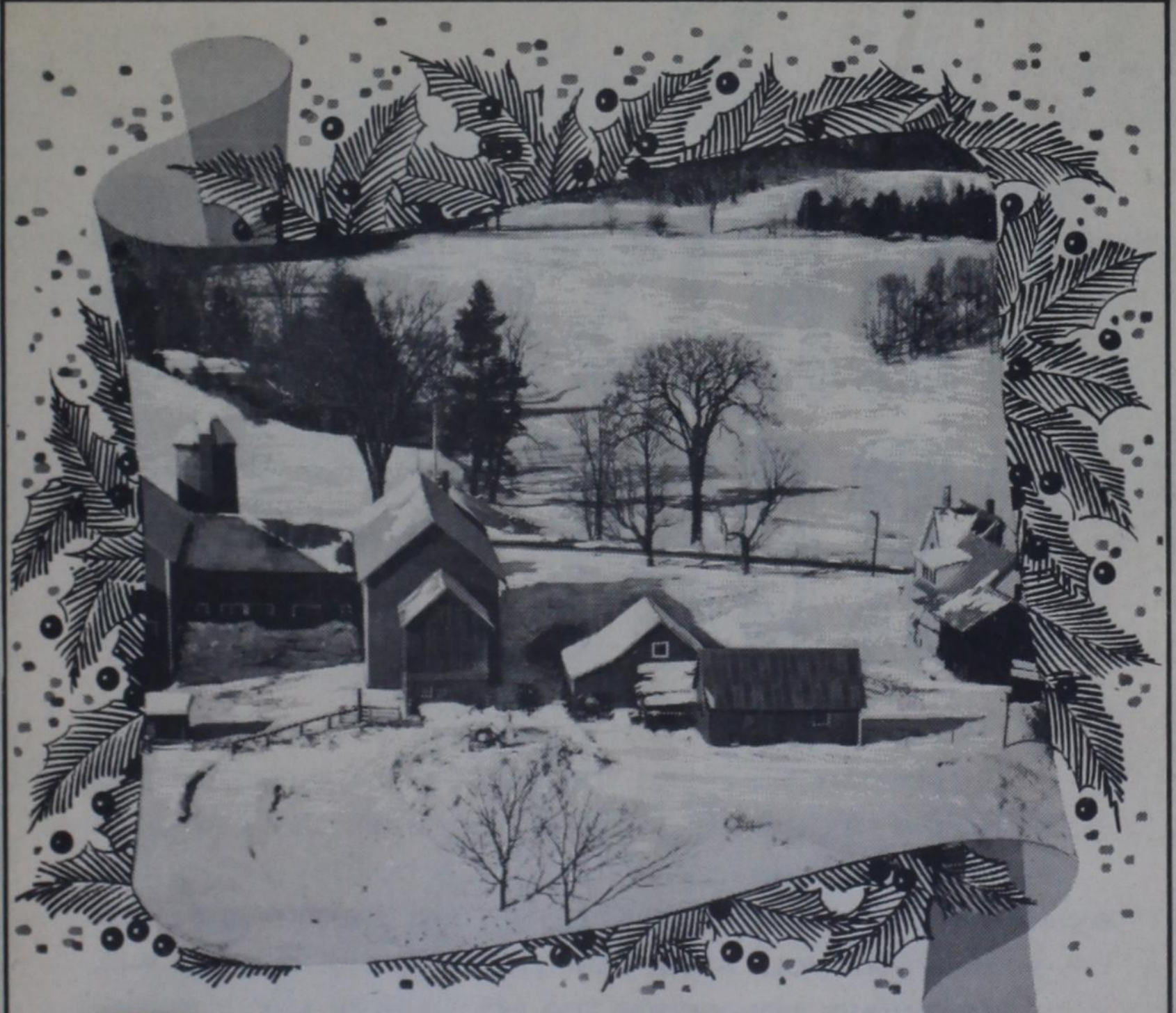
Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 6 years old. I would like a barbi doll some deaf shoes .
Love,
Suzanne Bradley
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 7 years old. I would like to have a bike, a toy drum, I have tried real hard to be good this year.
Love,
Clemente Rodriguez
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 7 years old. I would like a Mrs. Beasley doll. I have tried to be very good.
Love,
Gloria

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 6 years old. I would like a cat and a doll I have tried to be very good.
Love,
Betty Cole
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 6 years old. I would like to have a Swingy doll and an Easy Bake Oven.



GREETINGS

The calm and quiet reaches every corner of this snow-covered landscape to remind us of the beautiful peace that is ours to share at Christmas time. And so we greet you and yours with best wishes for a wonderful holiday season . . . and heartfelt thanks to our dear friends and neighbors for your continued patronage, loyal trust, support.

LaMantia-Cullum & Collier
OF DIMMITT
HOMER WEST, Manager



GLAD CHRISTMAS TIDINGS

May the peace and joy which radiates from the heart of the Holy Child, fill you and yours with the wonder and splendor of this Blessed Season. And may the miracle of His coming be an inspiration and comfort to you always. Best wishes for a joyous Christmas.

DON HARGROVE
GENERAL CONTRACTOR

"A Wagon and Some Dolls and a Bike and..."



Dear Santa,
I want a watch, a recorder, and a pogo stick. My brother I want a recorder, a goodtar and a koton candy maker.
Richard and Berle Robb

Dear Santa Claus
I want you to buy me a top that have many top in it. It calls a big top in Sears that one I want for me in Chairtmas and I thing that you are very nice to very people you see and you like little children that are nice and good to their mother and do what their mother have them what to do and they do it.
from Cecellia Gonzales

To Santa Clause from Kim
1. I want a Jane West
2. I want a kitchen
3. I want a dinettes
4. I want a dresser
Kim Louise Weatherford

From Joe Garcia to Santa Clus
This are my brothers and sister. This me Joe Garcia. This's are my brothers and sister, Dalia, Moses, Jesse. This are oru parents Mary and Joe.
The End.

Dear Santa
I am a second grade boy. My name is Joey Dean Raper. I have been a good boy this year. I would like some clothes and an army tent and a train that I see on T.V. And my own T.V. Thank you.
Love Joey

To Santa from Laine.
Dear Santa, I want a doll and some maxs. And a T.V. I want two dolls.
Thank you
Love, Laine Snider

Dear Santa Claus
I want you to come to our house and leave us some prizes.
Love
Esperanza Sanchez
I want a danceerina doll.

Dear Santa Clus
I want a danceerina doll.
Love
Elsa Sanchez

Dear Santa Claus
I want to go to Polstone on Christmas.
Love
Susan Arguijo
I want a Swingy doll.

Dear Santa
My name is Walt. I would like a Go-Go Cycle. And a Peanuts Telephone. And anything you might bring.
Love
Walt Tindal

Dar Santa Claus,
I have been a pretty good boy. For Christmas I would like to have a Payhauler, a pickup truck, a Payhauler, some tog'l blocks, and a barn with some farm animals if you have enough.
Yours hopefully,
Scott Hays
p.s. Dondi would like a doll.
p.s. I will leave you some cookies and milk on the table.
Scott

Dear Mr. Santa Claus,
We have been good little children this year and we would like for you to bring us some toys for Christmas.
Debra would like a talking Barbie doll and some clothes, a doll-house, and a doll carriage.
Greg wants talking Ken, a farm set and some trucks and tractors.
We hope you will bring toys to all the little children, and please remember our David Scott.
We will be waiting for you on Christmas Eve. Help yourself to some cookies if we're asleep when you get here.
We love you,
Debra and Greg Sava
101 NW 12th
Dimmitt, Texas 79027

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 5 years old and have tried to be a good girl this year. I would like to have a Buffy doll, A Space Kiddle, a Slinky dog and some books and house-shoes for Christmas. I will leave some carrots for your reindeer and cookies and milk for you.
I Love You,
Jerri Ka Clark
Route 1
Dimmitt, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Elizabeth Olvera and I want a Drinkee Baby Doll with a Spiritot and an easy bake oven and some candy and an Easy Curl Unit.
Thank you
Elizabeth Olvera
309 SW Third

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a shooting gallery and a Hot Wheels Case. I would also like a Time Bomb and a Say It Play It.
Love Norris Cole

Dear Santa
Please bring me a canopy bed, d-ll carriage, newborn baby doll, Sunny Flower Petal People Hair Fair Talking Stacey Beating Heart Watch.
From Kim Sides

Dear Santa Claus
I am writing you this little and you no what boys and girl like to see you and I like to see you to come to our school to see us ho ho ho Santa Claus is here gool lock.
Christmas is coming here in Dimmitt Texas and I want a doll.
Adela Barrera

Dear Santa Claus
I would like to have talking Buffy. And a record player and some records. And some games. I have been a good girl all year. I will leave some milk and cookies for you.
Love
Starla Tindal

Dear Santa
I would like a speedline and I would like a amaze a matice car and a western world and a zeriod set and a big camp and a western rifle I hope you like it in the North Pole Santa.
Love,
Michael Thomas

Dear Santa Claus,
I want you to come and visit my house on Christmas. And I want you to leave me a piano, and a swingy doll.
Love,
Susan Arguijo

Dear Santa Claus this is Janie Rueda bring me a doll and some oishes and a lettle bear and a little tv and a tettle bed okay
Bie Bie

Dear Santa
I want a desk, to match my bedroom suite. A Hot Wheels set. Have any roller skates left over leave a pair for me. Been a real good girl. Love you very much.
Lenna McGuire

Dear Santa Clause
And a Mary Christmas to you this year. I am Claude Richard Barlow I want boxing robots and Say it flay it and drums. I am six years old in the first grade and I've been a nice boy so will you come to my house.
Love Claude R.

Dear Santa Claus
I want a football
Love
Larry McIntosh

Dear Santa Claus
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Love
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Love,
Michael Thomas

Dear Santa Claus,
I want you to come and visit my house on Christmas. And I want you to leave me a piano, and a swingy doll.
Love,
Susan Arguijo

Dear Santa Claus
I want a B-B gun and two walkie talkies and a Genral Custer a Captain Madox a Geronimo a Chief Cherokee and two Ncble Knights and a mini bike.
Yours truly,
Stevie Maples

Dear Santa Claus
I want a guitar I have been a good boy.
Love,
Lee Sherman

Dear Santa Claus, I lov you. I want a doll.
Love
Valorie Ann Klause

Dear Santa Claus, I lov you. I want a doll.
Love
Valorie Ann Klause



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

As we share with you in the joys of the Christmas season, we'd like to express our thoughts and our thanks to every friend and neighbor. Our thoughts are warm with hearty wishes for a holiday brimful of excitement and enchantment. And our thanks are most sincere, for your steadfast patronage and good will. We always appreciate the privilege of serving you.

Hays Implement Co.



May the celebration of His Day bring peace to the hearts of people everywhere. Our sincere wishes to you and yours for the Merriest Christmas ever. Grateful thanks for your loyalty and confidence.

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"Dear Santa: I've Tried to Be Good, and I Want ..."



Dear Santa
How are you. I'm doing very fine. How is the North Pole. Christmas will be here soon. I would like a telescope and a chemistry set to. I've tried to be a good boy. I really should try harder in school right? Well please bring what I want please? I would like to be a biologist and study science.

By for now,
Thomas McGuire
p.s. Don't catch a bad cold if you can help it.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Baby catch aball and a vacuumcleaner and a sewing machine and a Barbie and Kin doll. A typewriter. Don't forget my family.

I love you.
From Diarme Hochstein
Thank you

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a football.

500 3rd St.
Love
Sammy Ramirez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a football, a bat, a baseball.

Love,
Santas Perez

Dear Santa Claus
I want a doll.

Maria Agüero

Dear Santa Claus
I want a baby bed, doll, doll clothes, and black board.

Love,
Ginger Woolever

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a good boy. I want you to send me a train.

Love,
Donald Ewing

Dear Santa Claus
I want a doll. I am a good girl.

Love,
Darlene Sanders

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll. Merry Christmas.

Love,
Janie Martinez

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a bulletin board, a record player needle, a Tippy Toes doll and dishes.

Edith Durbin

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bat and ball and tinktoys and dumptruk and that is all I don't want no more Love John Steffens. Thank you.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a dolla, a Santa Claus Book, Mary Christmas Santa Clus.

Love,
Rosalinda Guana

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a cowboy hat and a lone ranger mask and a rifle and too pair of guns and I want a five speed bike.

Love Jess Espinoza

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a easy bake oven and a ballet dancer doll. I want a swing doll. I hope you don't fouet my parents and brothers and sisters. I hope you a Happy Christmas.

Your friend,
Nadine Jones

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been very good this year. I want a bike that is called a Spider — and I want an electric train and a racing car set and I hope I get what I want.

Your friend,
Kim McRee

Dear Santa,
I want a mini bike for Christmas and a Ultralight game.

Your friend,
Brett Cockreham

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl. I am in the frind grade and I am 10 years old. I want an Easy bake oven and I wanta Tippy Toes doll. I want a popcorn popper too.

Your friend,
Irma Dominguez

Dear Santa Claus,
I have tried to be good all year. I want a game called Rings and Things and I want a pair of Go-Go boots too. I hope all my family will have a happy Christmas this year. We have a Christmas tree in our room.

Love,
Susana Gonzales

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a taining bike.

Patrick Hartman

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Indian Princess, a game, Sorry Operation, tick-tack-toe 11 stockings, a reindeer. Ard don't forget my mom and dad or my bother and sisters and a bike.

I have ben a good girl.
Love The family
Lisa Pohlmeier
Thank you Santa

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll. I want a pocket-book. I want a cradle.

Love
Teresa Aaron

Dear Santa Claus,
I want some candy and so truks and bikys and tops and some walktakes and a clock.

Love
Carlos Amaya

Dear Santa Claus,
Now I know how you get so fat. Because so many children give you things to eat. I've been wondering how it would look if you went on a diet, And also I'd like some Hotwheel cars and some Hotwheel track.

Love
Kelley Brent Hill

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a tiny train set, a tiny race car set, a mini-bike, a go cart, typewriter, a magic game.

Love
Kyle Wise

Dear Santa,
I want a recoud player and some books and I want some records. Well I guess I had better go now. Good-by now.

Love,
Natalie Kay Cline

Dear Santa,
I wish Christmas would hurry up and get here. I won't a lot of stuff. I hope I get all of it. Here is what I won't. A football suit, a Hotwheels super charger, a Micrasop, I won't a Cowboy and Indian thingmaker, and I won't a lot of Hotwheels.

Love,
Jay Willard

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a stroller for my dolls. I want to come see you soon. Then I want sissey the doll. Thank you.

Love,
Susan Rene Sadler

Dear Santa Claus
I what a piano for Christmas and a doll too Santa will you please come to my house on Christmas Goodby Santa has a Good Louk.

Adela Barrera
407 NE 6th St.
Dimmitt Texas 79027
and I am 7 year old

Dear Santa Claus.
I want a doll

Love Lupe

Dear Santa Claus
I want a camera for Christmas. I am a good boy.

Love, Jessie Lopez
Dimmitt, Taxes

Dare Santa Claus,
I hep you can come here to school and I want a toy for Christmas and pleas bring a candy for baby brother well this is all, have happy Chrisitmas.

Love,
Joe Constancia

Dear Santa,
I've tried to be good all year. I want a Supper Charger, desk, and a football. How is Ruidolph? I'll be looking forward to seeing you.

Your friend
Eddy Oldfield
731 Oak

Dear Santa Claus
I want a football,
Love, Write your Billy
Merry Christmas

Dear Santa Claus, I want a football. Dear Santa Claus, I like you.

Love
Victor Gamez

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Doli Stroll-cr, Eags and things, Poppity Pop-cr, Candy Joy Play House.

Please remember my Mother and Father.
Thank you
Deborah Schacher

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a drum and a not wheel rally case to Santa Cluse at the north pole thats all and renenber the presents for fanley.

Love Jimmy Kern

Dear Santa,
I want a pair of stilts, thank you for last years presents, it was a bike I love you

Yours truly
Robert N. Moore

Greetings



As snow blankets the earth, pristine and white . . . a gentle symbol of purity and peace . . . and the Christmas season arrives bringing joy and wonderment, we greet you, our dear friends and customers and your families. We especially want to extend to you a wealth of sincere wishes . . . a home that is happy and bright, good health, long life and prosperity. As we share with you in the many joys of the season may we express our heartfelt thanks to each and everyone of you for your loyal patronage.

Joe Cowen Agency

Real Estate

Insurance



CHRISTMAS

Behold the Star.
It's Christmas! At this most joyous time of year we pause to give thought to our blessings . . . numbered among them, your favors and friendly good will. Please accept our sincere thanks along with our best wishes for holiday joy in full measure.

BIG T PUMP CO.

GEORGE — BARBARA — NORRIS — HENRY — DEAN — CHARLIE — CECIL

Christmas Greetings



Joy to the World... Let every heart rejoice . . . for Christ is born in Bethlehem and the glory of His message shines forever, shines anew. Even as shepherds and wise men came to worship and be glad, so may each of us return in spirit to the sacred manger, there to find the peace and promise, the hope and happiness of the first Christmas. May the miracle of His birth and the wonder of His presence ever be our blessing and inspiration. And may this Christmas truly be, for you and yours, a season rich in joy and deep contentment.

To our Many Valued Friends, We Extend a Heartfelt "Thank You."

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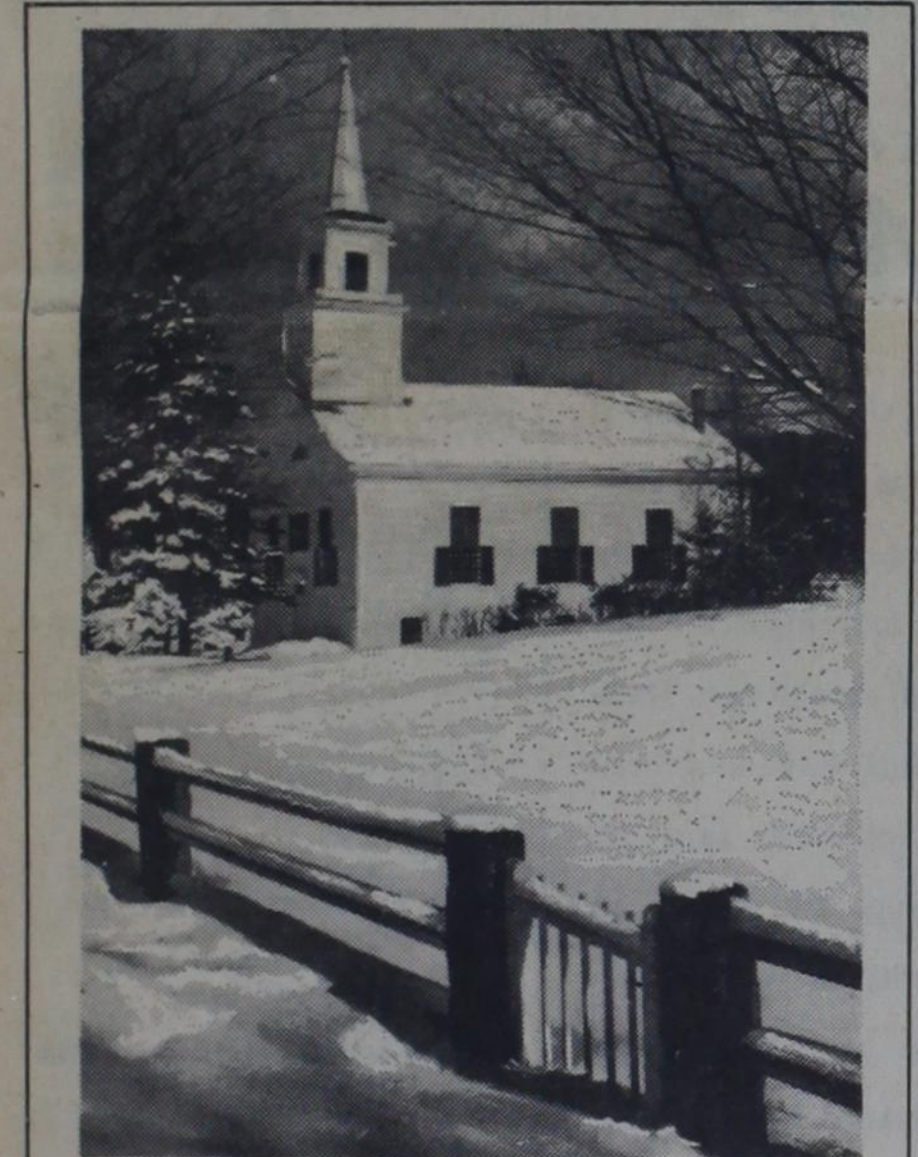
DHS exes to gather

Saturday will be Homecoming day for Dimmitt High School as exes gather for a holiday reception and several class reunions. Bill Stephenson, secretary and treasurer of the DHS Ex-Students Association, said response to a recent invitation letter has been good and a big gathering of exes is expected.

EXES WILL start registering at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Dimmitt High School. At 2 p.m., a reception will be held for all ex-students and their families in DHS gymnasium. Coffee, punch and pastries will be served. To keep the youngsters occupied, a cartoon show is planned



BIKE WINNERS at Saturday's Dimmitt merchant's drawing at the Carlile Theater were Victor Saenz Jr., 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Saenz, and Jo Carol Bull, 9, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Bull. All children attending the merchants' free cartoon shows during the last three Saturday mornings were given tickets for the free-bike drawing. Victor's bike is a red 20-16 Bronco, and Jo Carol's is a blue 20-inch Texas Rangerette.



Merry Christmas

In the snowy hush of a winter landscape, a church steeple seeks the sky . . . and we see the quiet contentment of Christmas, spreading its joys everywhere. That your joys be many, is our holiday wish for our valued friends and customers.

DIMMITT GIN
JACK TOMLIN, Owner

at 3:30 p.m. **THE ANNUAL Ex-Students Association** business meeting will begin in the high school auditorium at 4:15 p.m., conducted by Jack Miller, association president. During the business meeting, Miller said, times and places will be announced for any individual class reunions that have been planned. Also on tap during the business meeting will be the election of association officers for the coming year. "This schedule is designed to allow the individual classes to hold their separate reunions before or after the reception," Miller said.

about dimmitt and castrc county
by b. m. n.

Don't have time to come up with much in this column as it is always written just before press time, however, there is time to say Merry Christmas for the Nelson families and all of the bunch at the News office. Now I must do my Christmas shopping before the late rush gets started.

233 sign up; \$1,455 given

A press-time tally of "Operation Christmas Greeting" showed that 233 families and individuals signed up for the project, contributing \$1,455.50 in Christmas card money to the Dimmitt Cemetery Association fund. **THE SIGNATURES** which appear on the Community Christmas Card cover page of this issue represent more than 1,000 men, women and children in the Dimmitt area. Donations averaged \$6.25 per signature. Mrs. Sue DeVaney of the First State Bank reports that five other signatures have been added to the list since the Community Christmas card went to press. They are: Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gilbreath, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Webb and Family, Stanley and Poppy Byrnes, Mr. and Mrs. Bob DuLaney and Brad, Mrs. E. F. Sadler. "We really appreciate everyone's cooperation on the project," said E. B. Noble, treasurer of the cemetery association. "The money will be a great benefit. With this money to supplement our regular income, we should be able to operate Castro Memorial Gardens for another couple of years without any financial trouble. Our cemetery fund had been going down a little all along, and this really gives it a boost."

Six names added to Hart roster
The names of six more families have been added to the donors' list for Hart's Community Christmas Card since it went to press. **IN ADDITION** to those listed on the Hart community card on Page 1, Section C of this issue, these families contributed to the Hart Cemetery Fund instead of sending local Christmas cards: Melba, Ed, Jan and David Harris, R. J. Murray, John and Vera Holloway, Mrs. Evelyn Davis, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rich

McMahon earns Army promotion
Keith McMahon, son of R. V. McMahon Jr. of Dimmitt, was promoted Nov. 25 to Army Specialist while assigned to the 56th Transportation Co. near Long Thanh, Vietnam. Sp-4 McMahon is a supply clerk in the company.

Clear Christmas
(Readings recorded at 7 a.m. daily for the preceding 24 hours.)

	Hi	Lo
Thursday	69	26
Friday	52	28
Saturday	53	27
Sunday	69	28
Monday	63	38
Tuesday	73	27

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HOWARD COOK
US Weather Observer

Willises take top home-lighting honors

Willises swept the top two places in the Chamber of Commerce Christmas home lighting contest. **ALLIE MAE WILLIS**, 710 W. Lee St., was named the winner Friday night after judges had studied 10 beautifully decorated entries in the contest.

Second place winner was G. L. Willis of South Cemetery Road, the first place winner's brother. Judges ruled that third place was a tie between the Greg Burks home, 719 Maple St., and the Douglas Adams home, 1001 Maple. Honorable mention went to the David Hays home, 701 Oak, and the Don Carpenter home on State 86 East. **THE CONTEST** was open to all residents within five miles of Dimmitt. Miss Willis won \$25 as her first place award, while the G. L. Willises won \$15 and the Burkses and Adamses split the \$10 third-place money. Miss Willis' winning home features cutout statues and paintings of carolers and holiday greeters in Colonial dress, with a loud-speaker playing Christmas music. Evergreen trees at each end of

her home are decked with colored lights, and a white tree in the picture window is decorated with blinkers. Wreaths deck the doors, the garage windows carry holiday scenes, the eaves are lined with colored lights, and the entire home is bathed in floodlights.

The Adams home features a manger scene flooded in red light and lined with blinkers. The home's decorations also include light-lined eaves, a spun-glass tree in the picture window, and Santa at the doorway. The Burks home utilizes colored lights along the eaves, on evergreen trees at each end of the house and on a yard light in front. The centerpiece of the Burks display is the picture window, which is bordered by colored lights and centered with the decorated Yule tree. **A DRIVE** through the city's residential sections gives proof

that Dimmitt residents "dressed up" their homes more than ever this Christmas. Particularly impressive are the homes along the 700 through 1000 blocks of West Maple Street. The city's stores reportedly were sold out of exterior light strings by last week. All the winning home decorators have been requested to leave their homes lighted through Sunday night for public viewing.



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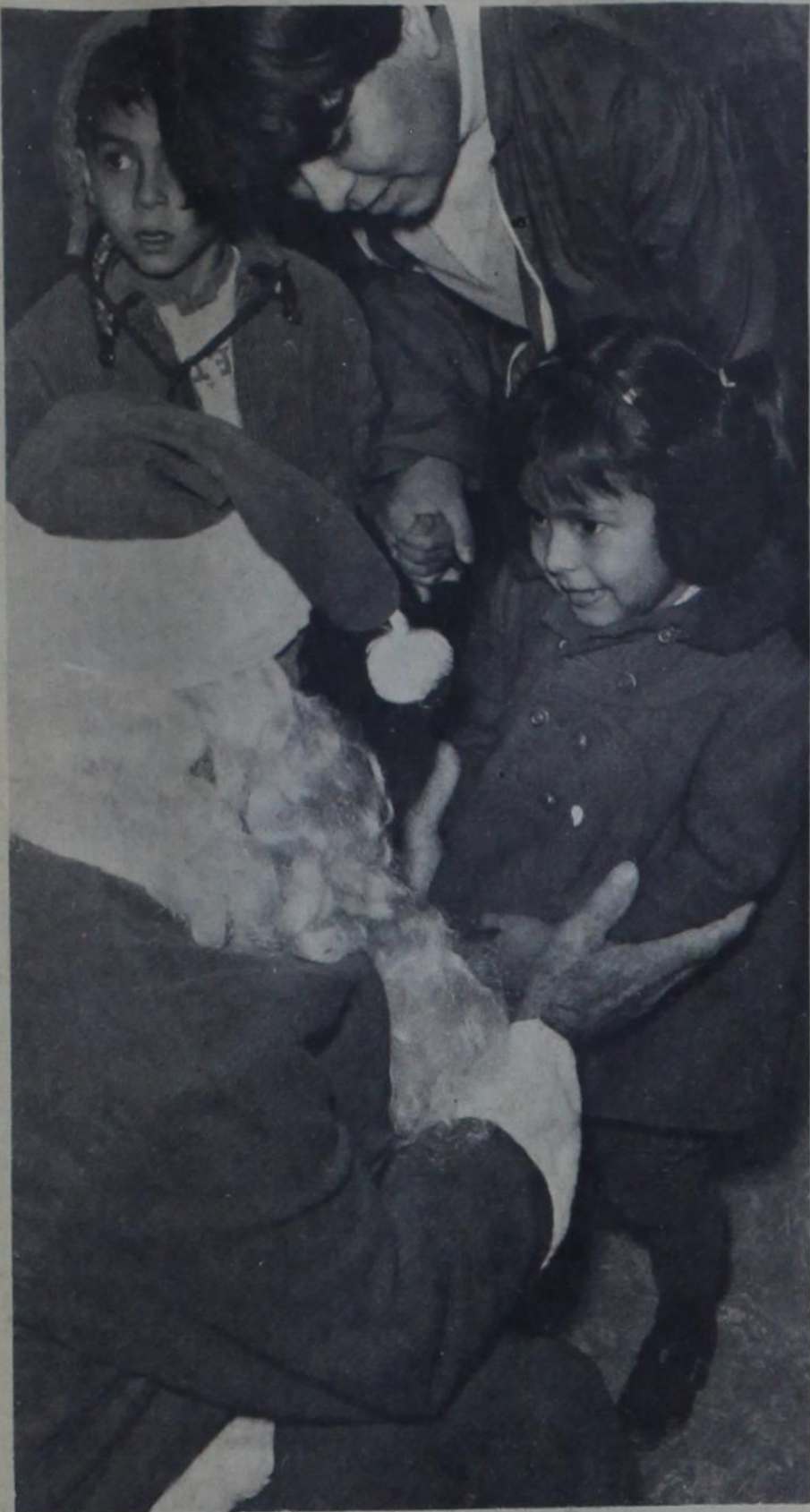
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Bethel news

HD Club ladies have yule party

By MRS. JACK RISTER
THE Home Demonstration Club had its annual Christmas party at the community building. Twenty ladies attended with two guests. They exchanged gifts and also brought gifts for the girls at Girlstown. Mrs. Donald Gilreath will take the gifts to Girlstown this week.

Mrs. Bud McElroy visited Wednesday with her mother Mrs. L. H. Hooper of Morton.

Mrs. Charles Wales, Mrs. Vern Lust and Mrs. Earl Lust attended a Woman's Society of Christian Service luncheon at the First United Methodist Church last Wednesday.

MR. AND MRS. Jim Bagwell and Mr. and Mrs. Vern Lust were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lust.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Keating and Katrina are in Arkansas visiting Mr. and Mrs. August Albrecht, Nelle Albrecht and Becky Buetherton.

Mrs. James Welch, Sharon and Rhonda were in Lubbock Tuesday.

Peter Bergen of Los Angeles, Calif., White Campbell and Thurman Pyron of Hobart, Okla., Dale Miller of Roosevelt, Okla., hunted pheasant Saturday and Sunday with Charles Rickerd.

Monday Peter Bergen, Milton Bagwell and Charles Rickerd hunted on the Oklahoma ranch for quail.

Tuesday the Charles Rickerds went into Amarillo to take Peter Bergen to catch a plane back to Los Angeles.

MR. AND MRS. Glenn Lust are the proud parents of a baby boy, Wayne Harold, born Dec. 15. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Vern Lust and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hinkson of Lazbuddie.

Mrs. Bud McElroy visited Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. J. D. McElroy and Mrs. James Osborn of Levelland.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rister were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. C. C. Rister and Mr. and Mrs. J.

D. Bradley and boys of Levelland.

Sunday afternoon they visited Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Dick of Littlefield.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sides and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wales, along with the rest of the bridge club went to Amarillo Friday for dinner and a movie.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wales and family attended the Springlake-Vega basketball game Monday night. Donna Axe plays on the Vega's girls team. They also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Axe of Vega.

Mrs. Wesley Smith attended the mothers tea and program presented by Mrs. Leon Sander's piano students Thursday night. Judith Smith is one of the students.

Mrs. Wesley Smith attended the first grade's music program Friday morning.

MR. AND MRS. J. A. Taylor visited in Lubbock Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Welch. Mrs. Elbert Smith took 19 students of the Lucky U Kindergarten class to Amarillo Wednesday for lunch and the Kinder Konzert.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Smith attended funeral services for her uncle, Grover Thomas, in Amarillo Saturday.

Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Perkins entertained Sunday night after church services of the First Baptist Church for the church council. Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Smith and Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Morgan attended.

Mrs. Bud McElroy and Mrs. Jack Rister visited in Hereford Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud McElroy and family visited in Levelland Saturday with Mrs. J. D. McElroy Sr., Wayne and Ronnie, Mr. and Mrs. James Osborn and family.

MRS. A. T. Morgan entertained tained in her home Thursday morning with an informal coffee. Sixteen ladies attended.

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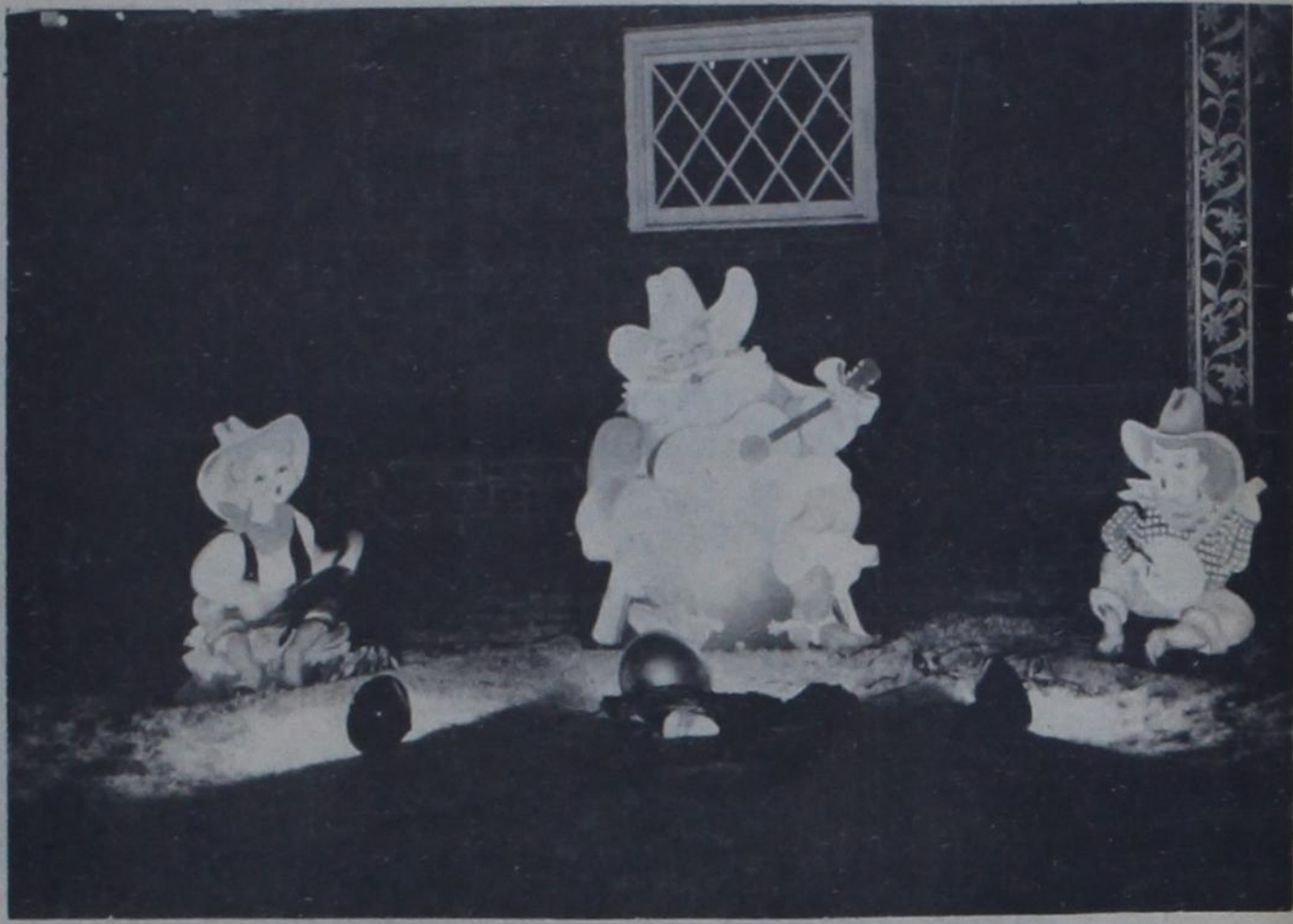
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We would like to extend our warmest holiday greetings to our friends. Thank you, Merry Christmas.

SALLY'S STEAK HOUSE

Sunnyside news

Fire destroys house on Earl Watson farm

By TEENY BOWDEN The fire departments of Dimmitt and Springlake answered a call last Wednesday night when fire was seen in the unoccupied house belonging to Earl Watson. Carl Bradley and family were passing and saw it just about the time L. B. Bowden smelled smoke and went out to investigate. Mrs. Bradley let Carl out of the car and he and others who saw it as they passed fought the fire while she drove to the Bowden home to call the fire department. Since it is a stucco house, the shell and part of the roof remain intact, but it was a complete loss as far as the inside is concerned. The Earl Watsons live in Springlake, but have a farm here.

CINDY SADLER was among a group of students from North Elementary School in Dimmitt who went last Saturday to Amarillo to hear the children's concert presented by the Amarillo Symphony Orchestra. Janis Bridge was one of the 11 new members of the Springlake-Earth High School to be chosen for the National Honor Society. Garner Ball, Mrs. J. Paul Waggoner and Mrs. Hubert Lilley received word Thursday afternoon of the death of an aunt, Mrs. Dora Muse of Phoenix. She was the sister of Bob Ball of Olton. They were with the family at Olton Thursday evening and Friday evening. Funeral services were held at Olton Friday afternoon.

DEBRA BALL was one of the Dimmitt High School Choir members who went to Amarillo Tuesday to tape a TV program.

Sue Harris was one of the Hart seniors who made a tour of Wayland Baptist College in Plainview recently. In the annual basketball tournament in Friona, the eighth grade girls of Springlake-Earth Junior High lost to Tulia, 35-2, won over Dimmitt, 18-13, and lost to Canyon, 40-26. The eighth grade boys in their games won over St. Anthony's, 30-18. In this game Dickie Bradley made three points. They lost to La Plata, 43-39, as Dickie made 11 points. The Springlake boys then lost to Bovina, 37-26. Thresa Elliott plays on the Dimmitt girl's team.

J. B. Hensley of Hale Center spent last Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Gale Sadler and girls and their guests, and he spent the day last Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Ezell Sadler, Larry and David.

MR. AND MRS. W. T. Autry went to Fredrick, Okla., Tuesday to visit her mother, who is seriously ill, and have an early Christmas dinner with her family Wednesday. They returned home Thursday. The book, "The Taste of New Wine," was donated to the church library this week in memory of Sid Taylor, a former resident of the community, by Mr. and Mrs. Gale Sadler, Cindy and Susan.

Mrs. Pearl Sadler of Dimmitt came home with Mrs. Ezell Sadler Wednesday night, and spent the day Thursday with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wyson of Wayland were dinner guests last Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Gale Sadler, Cindy and Susan.

THE SPRINGLAKE Wolverettes

took first place in the basketball tournament held locally. They won over Olton 78-66 and Floydada 50-41. Later, they were defeated by Canyon, 61-52. Janis Bridge made two points in the game with Floydada. The Wolverettes lost to Hart, 79-66, after winning over Olton and Amberst.

Jeff Matlock was chosen "Good Guy" for the week from Springlake-Earth School by the National Junior Honor Society. It is a weekly project for the Society. Leslie Louder left Friday for Stephens County on business and to visit relatives. He returned Sunday.

THE ADULT V ladies' Sunday school class and their husbands had an early Christmas supper in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Phelan Thursday night. Those present were Rev. and Mrs. Mack Turner, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Holbrooks, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Shirey, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Bills, Mr. and

Mrs. Weldon Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wilson, and Mrs. Irving King.

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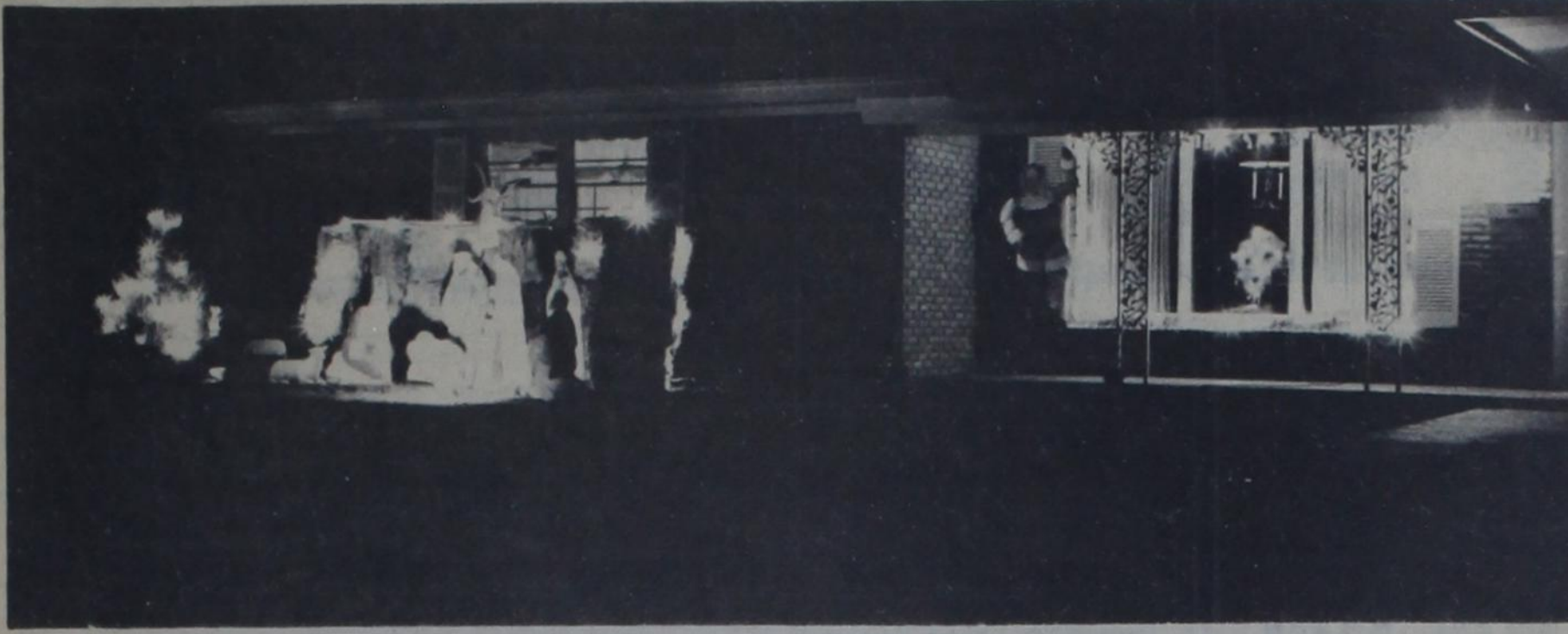
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Mrs. Ratcliff heads MOD drive

The annual January fund-raising appeal for prevention and treatment of birth defects will be headed by Mrs. Jim Ratcliff, it was announced this week by Mrs. Diane Bisig, chairman of the area chapter of The National Foundation-March of Dimes.

The appointment signals the opening of campaign preparations for the drive to be held in Castro County, Jan. 2-31.

In discussing the goals of the campaign, Mrs. Ratcliff noted that "when the March of Dimes turned its energies and resources toward prevention of birth defects in 1958, the challenge was electrifying. It was the first major attack on diseases that affect a quarter of a million of our newborn annually."

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Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Cogburn of Happy became the parents Dec. 16 of a 7-pound, 10½-ounce boy, whom they have named Chris Evan.

It's a girl for Mr. and Mrs. Amador C. Hernandez of Hereford. She was born Dec. 16, weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces, and has been named Rosa Aura.

A 7-pound, 2½-ounce daughter was born Dec. 17 to Mr. and Mrs. Margarito Sanchez of Dimmitt. She has been named Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Felis G. Barrientos of Hereford became the parents Friday of an 8-pound, 13-ounce daughter, whom they have named Diana.

It's a boy for Mr. and Mrs. Reyes B. Sanchez of Earth. He weighed 9 pounds, 2 ounces when he was born Saturday, and has been named Robert Bosquez.

On the Go

MR. AND MRS. W. A. Youts and children of Wichita Falls were here Sunday to attend the 50th wedding anniversary of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Byrnes.

On the Go

CAVIN LEE WEBB and family of Amarillo visited his mother, Mrs. Ruby Webb Sunday.

Class has party in Burks home

Mrs. Charles Burks entertained the Homemakers Sunday School Class and several members of the Mary Kirk Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church, with a Christmas party in her home last Tuesday evening.

THE HOUSE was beautifully decorated. In the living room a green tree was decorated with silver icicles and all silver trimming. The white tree in the den had green and red balls and striped candy canes.

Mrs. Ben Hill and Mrs. Jim Elder led two Bible games, after a salad supper. Gifts were distributed by the Homemakers Class president, Mrs. Melvin Summers.

ATTENDING were Mmes. R. E.

Strother, Rachel Hunter, Morgan Dennis, Ralph Lambright, Irene Carpenter, O. T. Vardell, Norris Wesson, Leste McDermitt, E. L. Ivey, Jimmie Pinner, Noel Gollehon, Ivor Bagwell, H. E. Edwards, Raymond Hance, M. L. Harlan, Raymond West, J. C. Gardner, J. O. Carpenter, Jeanie Bruton, Hill, Summers and Elder.

Hospital news

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PATIENTS DISMISSED:

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Estner Martinez
Mamie Moore
Allie Mae Isaacs
Florenca Gomez
Jean Campbell
John L. Smith
Esther Hernandez
Ethel Westfall
Barbara Lust
Dan Nelson
Cruz Gonzales
L. M. Carter
Mary Flynt
Denise Temple
Francis Sanchez
Eunice Cogburn
Jimmye Wyrer
Maria Barrientos
Mary Sanchez

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL:

Will Wright
C. M. Patterson
Irene Carpenter
Hector Cardona
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WHEN NEWCOMERS want to buy or rent a home, they look first at the classified ads!

Leila Petty, former HD agent for county, to retire in Tulia

Miss Leila Petty, former Castro County home demonstration agent, who has served as the Swisher County agent for the past seven years, will retire from the Texas Agricultural Extension Service Jan. 31.

THE announcement was made recently by Swisher County Judge Jack Driskill and Mrs. Aubrey W. Russell of Lubbock, Extension District 2 home demonstration agent.

"Miss Petty has been a devout servant of the Extension Service for 26 years," said Mrs. Russell. "She began her tenure in Castro County and also served as home demonstration agent in Floyd and Cochran Counties before moving to Swisher County."

"She has been outstanding in both youth and adult organization work," continued the district agent. "She received the Distinguished Service Award from the National Association of Extension Home Economists several years ago in recognition for her accomplishments."

ONE OF her finest assets, according to Mrs. Russell, is that "she is a great believer in youth." This is evidenced by the outstanding

accomplishments of many of the 4-H Club members with whom she has worked, especially those in food and nutrition and clothing projects. Through her efforts, Swisher County annually has had its share of top winners in the District 4-H Food Show and Dress Revue.

"Miss Petty is one of the hardest working home demonstration agents that I have had the pleasure of working with," added the district agent. "In working with 4-H'ers, she has made it a point to meet with every 4-H Club in the county at least once a month."

In addition to her professional work, Miss Petty has been active in a number of other endeavors, pointed out Mrs. Russell. She especially enjoys her work with the Garden Club and is an officer in that organization. She is also active in the Methodist Church and the Wesleyan Service Guild.

Miss Petty is a native of Loving in Young County, and a graduate of Texas Woman's University. She will continue to reside in Tulia.

No replacement for her position has been named.

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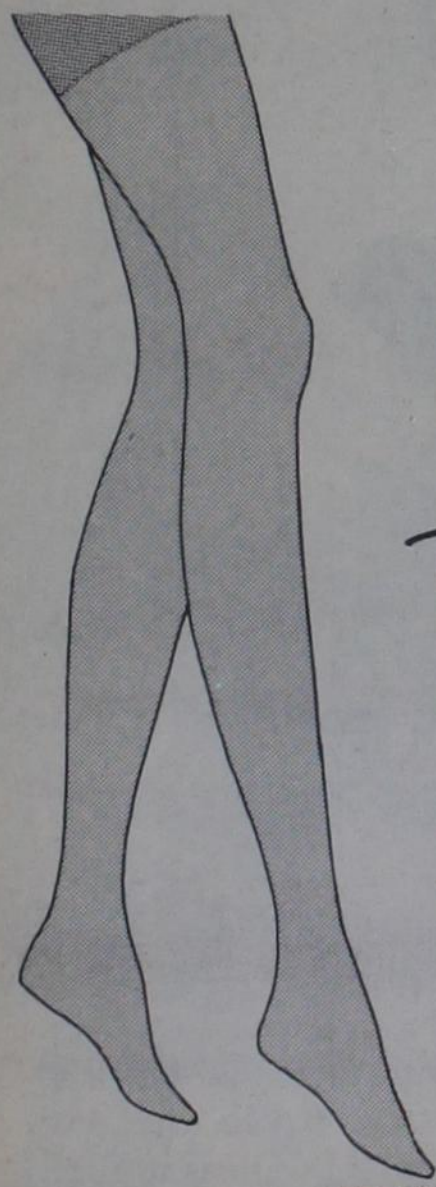
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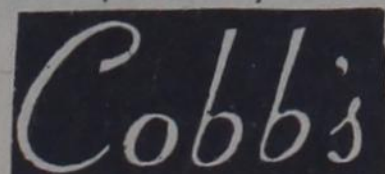
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SWPS to spend \$25 million on construction during '70

More than \$25 million will be invested in new plant and equipment in 1970 to meet the needs for electric power in its 45,000 square mile service area, it was announced today by Roy Tolk, president of Southwestern Public Service Company.

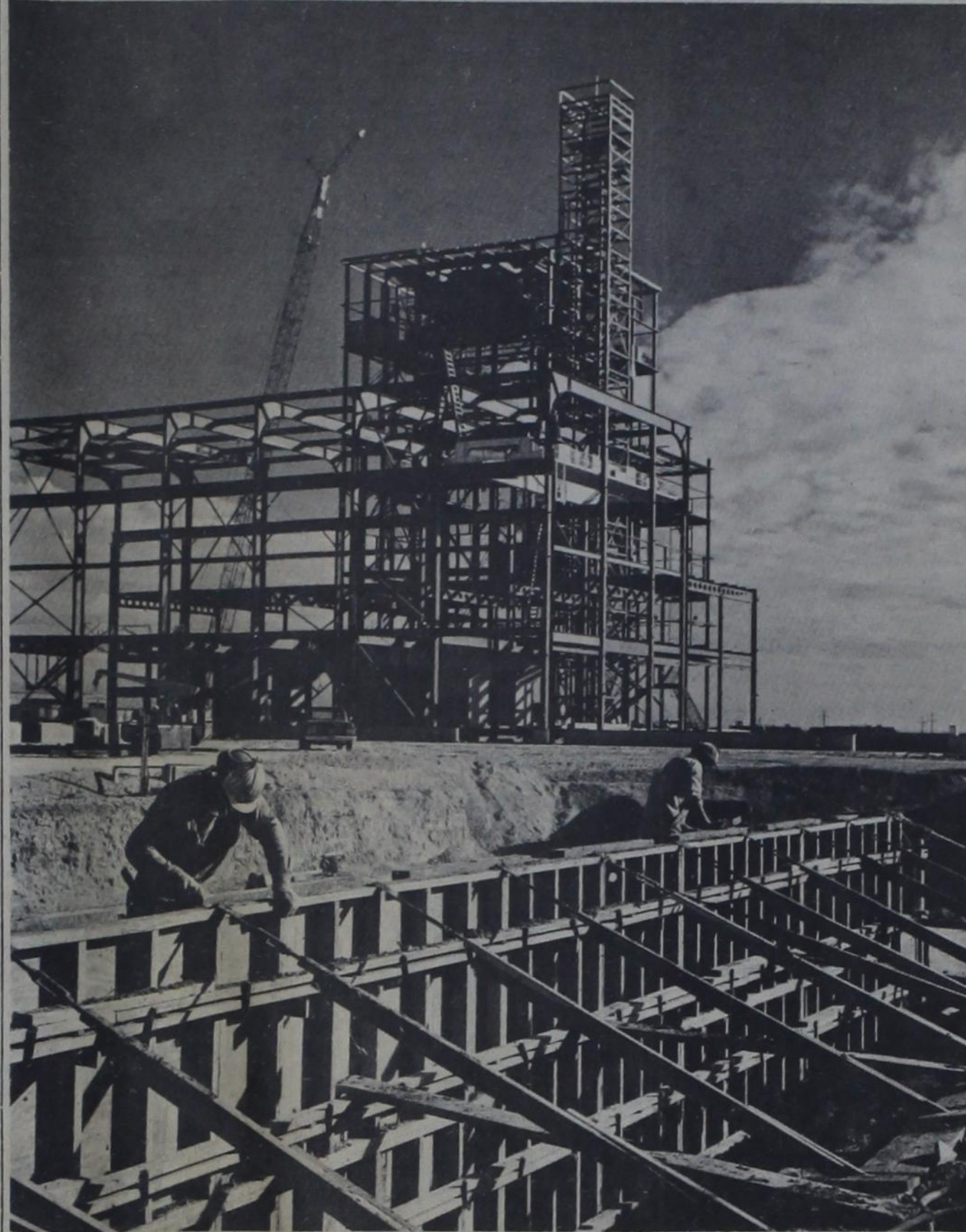
THE MAJOR project in the 1970 construction program will be continued construction on Jones Station, a new generating station located on the Texas South Plains, near Lubbock. Ground was broken earlier in 1969 on the new plant, which will have an original generating capability of 210,000 kilowatts, and is scheduled to go into operation in mid-1971.

Approximately \$25 million of the 1970 improvement investment will go for new facilities in the Plains Division of the company, made up of communities in eight Texas and two New Mexico counties including Dimmitt.

"When it comes to electric service, people are mainly concerned about two things these days, reliability and cost. We share these concerns with our customers. That's why it has been necessary for us to invest an average of 20-million dollars a year in new equipment every year for the last ten years. New equipment improves reliability, adds to efficiency, and, thus, gives us a chance, at least, to fight galloping inflation," Tolk said in announcing the construction program.

"RELIABILITY of electric service is not a national problem, although it has been made to sound like one in recent years. This fear atmosphere, which has been largely the product of adbo-building since 1965, has been cates of government control of business, even though the failure which set off the 1965 blackout originated on a government-owned electric system.

"There are a few areas of the country, none of them close to this region, in which some power shortages may develop in the future. If these shortages do come about, one of the reasons will be that some companies have been prohibited from building necessary plants and transmission lines by special interest groups — a handful of people. It some-



A MAJOR INVESTMENT in Southwestern Public Service Company's 1970 construction program is the Clifford B. Jones generating station being built near Lubbock. The electric utility announced this week that it plans to invest more than \$25 million on new plant construction, expansion and equipment during 1970.

Patrol reports 18 wrecks here during November

The Texas Highway Patrol investigated 18 accidents on rural highways in Castro County during the month of November, according to Sergeant Vernon Cawthon, Highway Patrol Supervisor of this area.

THESE crashes resulted in five persons injured, and an estimated property damage of \$47,540.

The rural accident summary for this county during the first eleven months of 1969 shows a total of 113 accidents resulting in two persons killed, 50 persons injured, and an estimated property damage of \$117,295.

Once again in Texas we are approaching the most joyful season of the whole year, Christmas. However, traffic wise the month of December has proven to be the most destructive month to the life of mankind — Death by a Motor Vehicle.

IN 1968, two traffic records were set in Texas; the month of December had the highest traffic fatality number of 369 as compared to 341 during December of 1967. The second record was 3481 traffic deaths for the years as compared to 3367 traffic deaths for the year 1967.

What is the outlook for the year 1969? The Sergeant stated, "The

Texas death count for the beginning of December, 1969 is 125 more traffic deaths as compared to the same time last year."

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"OUR SOIL is our country — to save the one is to save the other." — Anonymous

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times appears to me that we have quite a few people living in this 20th Century who want all the comfort and convenience of the space age, including low cost electric power, but want the landscape to look the way it did at the time of the landing at Plymouth Rock, with no cities, no railroads or airports, no highways and no power lines," Tolk added.

Tolk asked the press to help draw the distinction between a "blackout" and an "outage." He described a "blackout" as a shortage of power and an "outage" as a service interruption caused by some other reason than a power shortage.

"Let me say, too, that we won't have any blackouts in our service area in 1970, but we will have some service interruptions. We aren't perfect yet, our reliability record is 99.997, and there will be some times when we'll have all the power anybody needs, but there'll be a lightning storm or a squirrel in a substation or an equipment failure or a human failure, and we'll have a service interruption for some of our customers. So, interruptions, yes; insufficient power supply and blackouts, no," Tolk concluded.

SOUTHWESTERN Public Service Company's 45,000 square mile service area covers parts of four states, beginning in the southwest corner of Kansas, crossing the Oklahoma and Texas Panhandles, moving down on to the South Plains of Texas and then west to include the Clovis-Portales and

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On the Go

MRS. VADABEL, Odhiam arrived in Dimmitt Sunday to spend holidays with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Don Olson.

On the Go

MR. AND MRS. Ray Bearden are spending the holidays with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Fry at Port Neches.

On the Go

MR. AND MRS. A. J. Bolton of Salt Lake City, Utah, visited her sister, Mrs. Ray Bearden and Mr. Bearden last week. The group went to Lubbock Thursday to visit Ray's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Simpson.

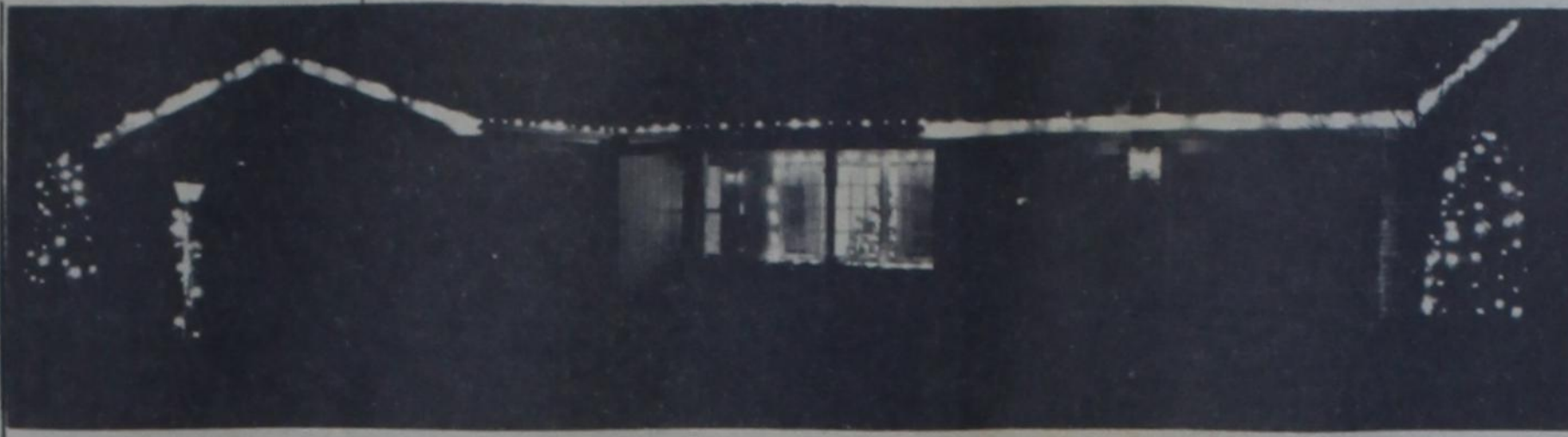
WHEN NEWCOMERS want to buy or rent a home, they look first at the classified ads!

GREETINGS to ALL



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Claudio Bendazzi sends greetings

Dimmitt received a community Christmas greeting from Italy this week.

IT CAME from Claudio Bendazzi of Vercelli, who was Dimmitt High School American Field Service exchange student, in 1936. Claudio lived with the James Bradfords while attending EHS his senior year, and the Bradfords have had the Castro County News sent to him ever since he returned to Italy.

Claudio writes: "Taking the opportunity of the Christmas holidays, I want to thank you very much for the copy of the Castro County News that I receive from you regularly. I read it with much interest, as you can guess, since a part of myself is still there in Dimmitt."

"I wish you all a merry Christmas and I would be grateful to you if you would publish in your newspaper my Christmas wishes to all Dimmitt people."

THE NOTE was written on the back of a red card with the gold wording, "Buon Natale e felice Anno."

Claudio has sent holiday greetings to the News each Christmas since his return to Italy.

Cats' Caprock foes stand tall

As Dimmitt's Bobcats enter the big Caprock Tournament next week in Lubbock, they plan to look up a lot.

FOR THEIR first round game Monday, Coach Kenneth Cleveland's defending Caprock champions have drawn Class A powerhouse Paducah (16-1), which boasts a 6-9 post forward and a 6-5 hotshot who is averaging 30 points per game.

And there's a 50-50 chance Dimmitt will meet Post in the second round — and run up against a 6-10 giant.

The Bobcats haven't even seen trees that tall this year, and haven't had their run-and-shoot game tested against any team that stood number-to-nose taller than their 6-1 average.

THE CAPROCK Holiday Tournament, sponsored for charity by Lubbock's Caprock chapter of the American Business Club, will feature 16 of the top high school quintets in the northern half of Texas.

The tournament, to be played in Lubbock Memorial Coliseum, is divided into an upper (AAA and AAAA) bracket and a lower (B, A, AA) bracket with a championship in each division. Each team will play a game a day, win or lose.

Teams in the lower bracket are Dimmitt, Crosbyton, Petersburg, Post, Shallowater, Lubbock Christian, Paducah and Seagraves.

IN THE upper bracket are Lubbock High, Lubbock Estacado, Lubbock Coronado, Lubbock Dunbar, Lubbock Monterey, Plainview, Garland and Odessa Ector.

Eight games will be played daily.

Here's the first day's time schedule: 8:30 a.m. — Petersburg vs. Lubbock Christian.

10 a.m. — Shallowater vs. Post.

12:30 p.m. — DIMMITT vs. Paducah.

2 p.m. — Seagraves vs. Crosbyton.

3:30 p.m. — Dunbar vs. Odessa Ector.

6 p.m. — Lubbock vs. Plainview.

7:30 p.m. — Monterey vs. Estacado.

9 p.m. — Garland vs. Coronado.

IF DIMMITT wins its first game, it will play the Shallowater-Post winner at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday. A loss to Paducah would put the Bobcats into the consolation semifinals at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday.

Wednesday's schedule in the small schools division calls for the consolation third place game at 8:30 a.m., consolation championship bout at 12:30 p.m., third place game at 3:30 and the championship game at 7:30.

In the large schools division, the consolation title game will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, the third place game at 6 p.m. and the championship bout at 9.

The complete tournament brackets are posted on the front door of the News office.

College president to preach Sunday

Howard K. Davis, president of Midwest Christian College in Oklahoma City, will be the speaker at the 10:50 a.m. worship service Sunday at the First Christian Church.

DAVIS is on his final quest for funds to make the down payment of \$250,000 for a new building on the campus. The present campus was originally built as a Catholic seminary in 1959 at a cost of \$5 million, and its buildings are now valued at \$6 million.

Bedford W. Smith, minister of the local church, has been a guest professor at Midwest Christian College during the fall semester, commuting weekly from Dimmitt to Oklahoma City.

Children of the Bible School and the weekly Children's Hour presented a Christmas program at Sunday evening's service.

THE Children's Hour and the Wednesday evening Bible study will not meet again until Jan. 7.

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Last rites held for John Mayhew

Funeral services were held in Wichita Falls recently for John A. Mayhew, 83, father of Earnest Mayhew and Mrs. Bell Brant of Dimmitt.

MR. MAYHEW died Dec. 13. Last rites were held Dec. 16.

He is survived by four sons, Frank of Sonora, W. C. of Gruver, Earnest of Dimmitt and John Jr. of Bossier City, La.; three daughters, Mrs. Mary Weaver of Los Angeles, Calif., Mrs. Bell Brant of Dimmitt and Mrs. Lottie Hegwer of McAlistier, Okla.; 20 grandchildren, 55 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were four of his grandsons, Glen and Bobby Mayhew of Dimmitt, J. Lee McAfee of Amarillo and Dean Mayhew of Gruver, and two friends, W. A. Youts of Wichita Falls and Melford Jarrett of Plainview.

Country Club slates dance

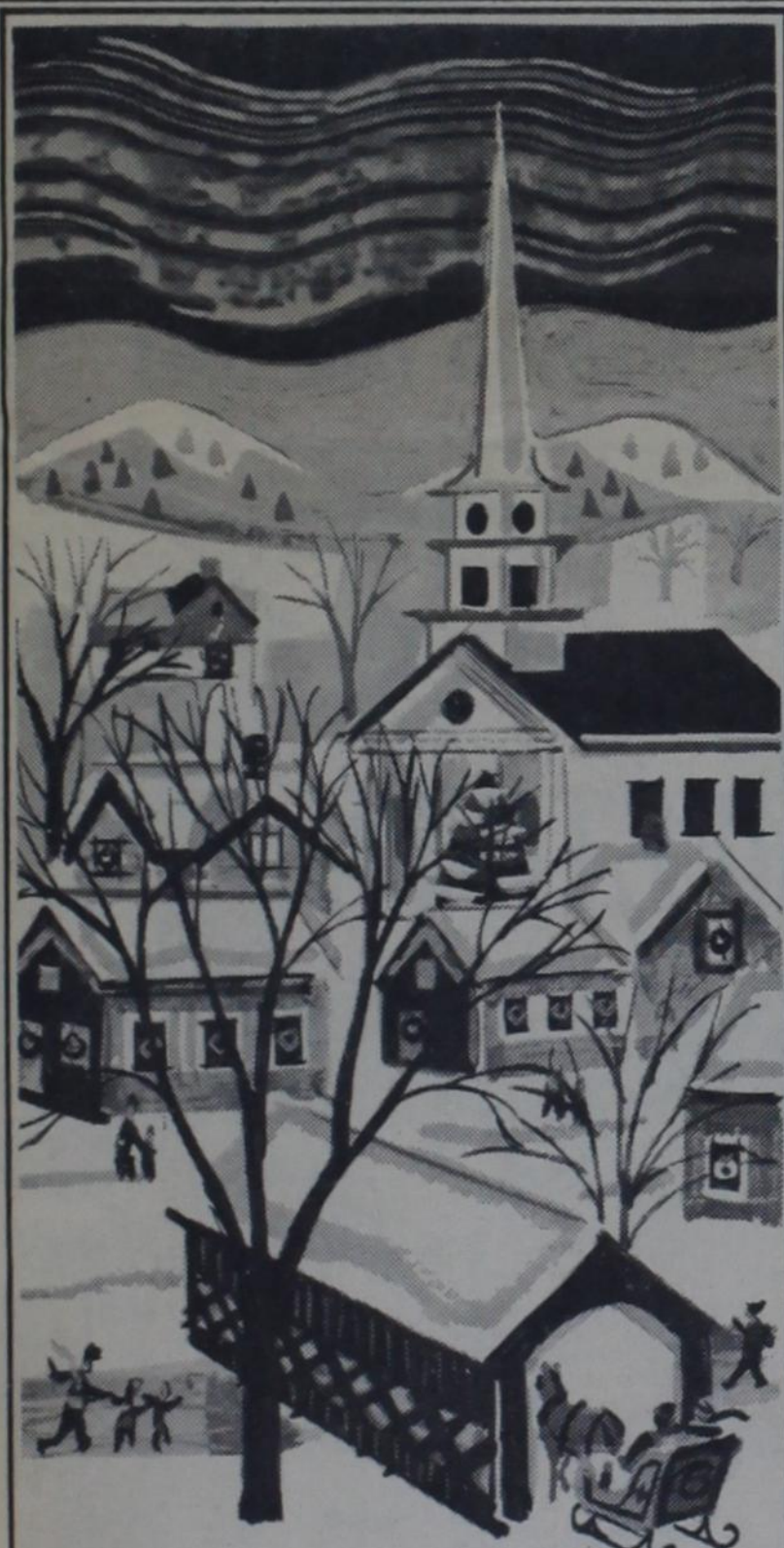
Members of the Castro County Country Club and their guests will usher in the new year Wednesday night with a New Year's Eve dance, beginning at 8 o'clock.

ADMISSION will be \$5 per couple, and dress will be semi-formal.

The event is the second of two holiday dances sponsored by the club's board of directors. The club also held a Christmas dance Saturday evening.

Wootens return

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wooten, former Dimmitt residents, have moved back here from Venita, Okla., where they operated a ranch. They have bought the A. V. Barnes home at 722 Oak St. Wooten owns a farm south of Dimmitt.



a Joyous Christmas

Here's wishing you and yours all the long-lasting happiness of an old-fashioned Christmas. We deeply value your continued patronage ... and friendly good will. To everyone, a heartfelt thank you.

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Season's Greetings From Hart



This is our Christmas greeting to all our friends in Hart and throughout the county. We have donated our Christmas card money to the Hart Cemetery Fund to keep our cemetery a credit to our community and to the memory of those who rest there.

We extend our very best wishes for a most joyous holiday. May our community always typify the Spirit of Christmas.

- Mr. and Mrs. John McLain
- Mr. and Mrs. E. Wamon Foster & Family
- Sue A. Dinwiddie
- Mr. and Mrs. Willis A. Hawkins, Sr.
- Mr. and Mrs. Claude Ray
- Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Wescott & Family
- Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Futrell
- Vasca Kittrell
- Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jackson
- Mrs. G. R. Bennett
- Mr. and Mrs. L. C. McLain
- Mr. and Mrs. Pete Steiert
- Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Jones
- Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Newman
- Mr. and Mrs. Orvil Friday
- Mr. and Mrs. Al Sharp
- Mrs. H. E. Loman
- Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Davis
- Mr. and Mrs. Lester Lancaster

We wish you a Merry Christmas



Tree time is hazard time!

Indoor lighting, when properly used, can enhance the entire home during the Christmas season. But, if electricity safety rules are ignored, it can cause serious accidents, loss of life and property.

FOR A good start, Mrs. Jane Berry, Extension home furnishings and housing specialist with Texas A&M University, suggests you check old strings of lights carefully for chipped sockets, cracked connections and frayed wires. Throw out badly damaged wires carefully and separately.

If new lights are on the shopping list, buy only UL-approved lights. They may cost a bit more than non-approved lights, but the additional cost may mean saving your home from fire.

Mount sockets on Christmas trees so bulbs will not touch foliage, paper or cotton, Mrs. Berry suggests. Use only fireproof decorations.

AFTER THE tree is trimmed, inspect it regularly to see if

foliage near the lights has started to turn brown. Change the position of the lights slightly to avoid burns.

Bright twinkling lights attract children, so warn them of the dangers of hot lights and extension cord connections. Never leave sockets empty or run cords under rugs. Always disconnect lights at the outlet when not in use or when the family is asleep or away.

A dry tree is a nuisance since it sheds, loses its color and aroma and poses a serious fire hazard. Be certain the tree receives plenty of water. When needles start falling, take the tree down.

Flood or spot lighting is safer and more beautiful than strings of lights for metallic trees. While they are non-flammable, metallic trees will conduct electricity.

Some of the plastic and metalized trees available to consumers will burn just as readily as a natural tree. So, take the same precaution with them as you would a natural tree.



SEEING SANTA was a privilege local youngsters had for three Saturday mornings in a row as the jolly old gentleman visited the free cartoon shows at the Carlile Theater, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce.



There's no happier time than Christmas, because it's a time for sharing all the happiness we feel with those we care about most. That's why we'd like to share our joy with you, wishing you a Merry Christmas and saying "Thank You."

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About Trees . . .

On the night Christ was born, legend says, all the trees burst into bloom. Thus began many stories about the Christmas tree.

Early folk tales described a huge tree in the midst of a forest. The tree held many candles, some straight, some upside down. At the top was an infant with a halo around his head.

It was believed that the tree represented humanity. The candles, up and down, symbolized people, good and bad. The infant was the Christ Child.

On the Go

VISITORS in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brooks Sunday were Mr. Deward Armstrong, Terry and Kent, Mrs. Emmitt Autrey, Michelle and Emmett III, and Mr. and Mrs. Butch Chumley of Texico, N.M.



To wish you the joys of Christmas

In the fine and happy tradition of the holiday season we wish to extend our greetings to our customers, old and new. May you enjoy the festivities and delights of this special time as your families gather in joyous celebration. Thank you for your loyal trust and support. Your warm friendship makes us feel very proud. Merry Christmas.

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At this season of joy our Heavenly Father, we render thanks to Thee for the gift of eternal life given so freely in the person of Thy Son, Jesus Christ. May we humbly, by faith accept Thy gift.

Amen.



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State Capitol Highlights

Legislators carol around 32-foot tree

By VERN SANFORD
Texas Press Association
Highlight of the holiday season at your State Capitol always is the annual Christmas party for employees and state officials, held in the House of Representatives.

state unemployment insurance tax paid by Texas employers will go down again in 1970 — for the third straight year — according to the Texas Employment Commission.

Tax rate of employers will be reduced 1.2 percent from the calculated experience rate effective Jan. 1, reports W. S. Birdwell Jr., employer representative on the Commission.

Under the law, when the unemployment compensation fund exceeds \$300 million, as of Oct. 1, the rate must be reduced. This October it totaled more than \$355 million.

So, payroll tax paid by the employers will be about \$23 million less. Not all employers will benefit. About 65 percent already have earned the minimum 0.1 percent.

Overall average tax rate for unemployment insurance paid by Texas employers is about half the average for all states.

MORE CRIME-FIGHT FUNDS ALLOTTED
Governor's Criminal Justice Council has recommended allocation of \$50,025 in federal funds to fight crime. Money comes

from the \$1.1 million action fund granted Texas by the Federal Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968.

Congress considers funding the program this year with \$250-275 million, including \$9 million for Texas.

WATER QUALITY PLANS TOLD
Twenty-three northeast Texas towns and corporations have told the Texas Water Quality Board their plans for improving waste discharges.

Mayors and managers were invited to report on what they are doing to improve water quality. Board also conducted hearing on a proposal to require self-reporting from firms and cities that now discharge waste materials.

SAFE DRIVING URGED
Gov. Smith has appealed to Texas drivers to use "utmost caution" during the coming holiday season.

Dept. of Public Safety estimated traffic crashes in state during the Christmas-New Year period may claim as many as 87 lives.

Both the governor and the DPS said that this tragic toll can be averted if Texans will "drive safely and realize that no one is immune to a traffic crash."

Smith declared "a State of traffic safety emergency" through Jan. 5.

APPOINTMENTS
Gov. Smith has named the 15 members of the new Teachers Professional Practices Commission.

They are Mrs. Christine Higginbotham of Houston, Mrs. Marjorie Jewel Bays of Mesquite, Mrs. Doris Jewell Harris of Abilene, Mrs. Jacqueline Bramwell Brown of El Paso, Mrs. Naomi Olivia Press of McKinney, Stephen Albert Fey of Beeville, Mrs. Aida L. Garza of Laredo, Dr. John Woodford McFarland of El Paso, Joseph Jones Pearch of Richardson, Claude A. Hearn Jr. of Randolph Air Force Base, Mrs. Ione Marie Stewart of Austin, Mrs. Betty Higginbotham Petty of Corpus Christi, Mrs. Alyce Marie Hamilton of Kilgore, Mrs. Newell Ann Burke of Freeport and C. J. Cartwright of Fort Worth.

Smith also announced these appointments:

Veterans Affairs Commission — John Edward McKelvey of Electra and Justin Monroe Morrow of Rotan (reappointees)

Gulf Coast Waste Disposal Authority — Dr. William Arnold of Houston and Thomas Jenkins of Winnie.

State Board of Pharmacy — Ed Minor of Austin and Homer (Punch) Irvin Nelson of Brownfield (reappointees).

Interstate Compact Commissioner for the Red River — William Ralph Elliott of Sherman.

Firemen's Pension Commissioner — Mrs. Marie Hudson Winters of Austin (reappointment).

State Board of Plumbing Examiners — Steve M. Chuoque of Texas City, Kurt A. J. Monier of San Antonio and Robert Leon Wingler of Wichita Falls.

Committee to study Financing of the Minimum Foundation Program — Norman R. Hall of Lampasas, C. Dana Williams of Corpus Christi, Gerald Bruce Wadzeck of San Angelo, Doyle Corley of New Boston, Dr. J. W. Edgar of Austin and Mrs. Carrolle Koch of Quanah.

Texas Board of Examiners in the Fitting and Dispensing of Hearing Aids — George Ben Walker Jr. of Houston, Wallace Hugh Conaughty of San Antonio, Mrs. Margaret E. Mayhall of Austin, Ted Charles Lucenay of Waco, Roy Francis Brakebill of Wichita Falls, Ollie Bill Livingston of Lubbock, Dr. Aram Glorig of Dallas, Harold Norman Williams of El Paso and Tom Bowen Gray Jr. of Austin.

COURT MARTIAL
A suit to prevent the court martial of a Fort Hood Army private has been filed in Judge Jack Roberts Federal District Court in Austin. Members of the Richard Chase Defense Committee filed the suit on behalf of Private Chase, who is now being held in the Fort Hood stockade. The 26-year-old soldier is charged with disobeying a direct order and refusing to take part in riot-control training at the Central Texas Army base.

ATTY. GENERAL'S OPINIONS
Community mental health centers are merely component parts of "units of government" under Texas Tort Claims Act and liability of personnel for damage suits would be responsibility of the creating governmental units, Atty. Gen. Crawford Martin recently held.

In other new opinions, Martin concluded:

State Highway Department may purchase personal injury and property damage insurance coverage for its employees within specified limits.

Parking fees charged University of Houston students is a voluntary student assessment, rather than compulsory service fee.

PUBLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION
A group of private citizens is distributing an eight-page booklet summarizing the results of the controversial report of the Governor's Committee on Public School Education (COPSE).

Booklet includes a rundown of the accomplishments to date and those that became law even in a modified sense. It also advocates action on the "additional improvements proposed by COPSE

which are still needed to give Texas a first-class public school system." Included in that section are the proposals for tax equalization and consolidation of smaller schools that raised so much furor during the legislative session.

CARGO PERMIT ASKED
Texas Aeronautics Commission held hearing on application of Lubbock-Amarillo Armored Service Inc. for permit to transport cargo by air.

Flights would be coordinated with firm's 82 armored security cars. Cities served would include San Angelo, Brownsville, Midland-Odessa, Big Spring, Amarillo, Lubbock, Abilene, Dallas-Fort Worth, Austin, Waco, San Antonio, Corpus Christi, McAllen, Harlingen, Beaumont, El Paso, Galveston, Houston and Wichita Falls. Two existing lines opposed application.

SHORT SNORTS
State Rep. Bob Armstrong of Austin has announced that he will run for Land Commissioner against the incumbent Jerry Sadler, who plans to seek re-election. Harris, Dallas and Lee Counties have been placed under federal quarantine for hog cholera as a result of an outbreak of the swine disease.

Texas Supreme Court has licensed 251 new attorneys.

Sen. Criss Cole of Houston, the only blind member of the Texas Senate, will be Governor for a Day on Jan. 10.

Nearly half of Texans eligible to vote — about 1.5 million — already have registered, according to State Democratic Executive Committee.

"RAPIDLY increasing local community interest in small watershed development throughout the country is one reflection of public insistence upon vigorous resource conservation action." D. A. Williams, Administrator, Soil Conservation Service

"IT IS fortunate that today there is a growing recognition on the part of land users and the public generally of the need to strengthen conservation in our upstream watersheds and to minimize flood damage." — Dwight D. Eisenhower

"CONSERVATION of the land — a step in the process of keeping the community resourceful, productive and a desirable place in which to live." — Anonymous

Here are week's best food buys

Busy food shoppers can save time and money with these marketing tips from Mrs. Gwendolyn Clyatt, Extension consumer marketing specialist, Texas A&M University.

In general, look for best values this week on chuck roasts and steaks, short ribs, ground beef, liver and round steaks and roasts. Pork values include shoulder roast and steaks, end-cut pork chops and loin roasts.

and grade A large eggs continue to offer the best combination of quality and economy for you egg money.

FRESH FRUIT and vegetable items in best supply at the most economical prices include oranges, grapefruit, tangerines, grapes, avocados, bananas, russet potatoes, celery, carrots, sweet potatoes, cauliflower and mustard, collard and turnip greens.

MERRY CHRISTMAS
Watch carefully and you may see Santa speeding our message your way for a happy holiday for you and yours. Thanks for your confidence and support.
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Greetings
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A message for Christmas
To you, our good friends and customers, we're extending warm wishes for a bright and merry holiday season abounding with good cheer, fellowship and joy. And, with deep appreciation, we send along our many thanks for your thoughtful consideration all year. Serving you has indeed been our deepest pleasure and privilege.
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PERCY SHEPPARD (in checked shirt) has just received a gift and Santa returns to the tree for more during the Golden Spread Nursing Home's annual Christmas party

last Thursday night. Friends, relatives and musicians gathered at the home to entertain and help Santa with the Christmas party.

HD notes

Christmas time full of hazards

By IRENE KEATING

AS WE enter this festive season we tend to forget safety. We are all aware of the dangers in traveling due to weather and other conditions, but we don't think of the dangers at home.

The December Texas Health Bulletin reminds us that nationally about 30,000 persons are killed annually in accidents in the home.

One of the booby traps facing you may be the toys you purchase for your child.

SOME TOYS become dangerous weapons if they break (such as rattlers), and others shoot potentially deadly missiles, provide electrical shock hazards, burning hazards, etc. Some toys have toxic paints and lacquers and many children get lead poisoning from them.

Remember that holly and mistletoe berries are poisonous, causing severe vomiting, diarrhea, and

disorders of the central nervous system.

Bubbling Christmas tree lights contain methylene chloride, which, if swallowed, could cause slight poisoning. The bright colors, movement and internal allure make them particularly attractive to small children, who may break open the candle-shaped glass and drink the contents. Another danger is that these lights may explode.

FIRE SALTS produce beautiful colored flames, but they contain certain chemicals — including arsenic and various toxic salts that can cause vomiting if eaten.

The gas propellant in artificial snow is toxic if inhaled, but leaves no residue when the snow dries.

Smoke pellets for toy trains could make children sick if they are eaten.

I hope each of you has a nice holiday and that you get to be with your family and friends.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus,
May I have a farm May I have a 20 cows May I have a car and two horses and one big Santa Claus

Deverle Kennedy

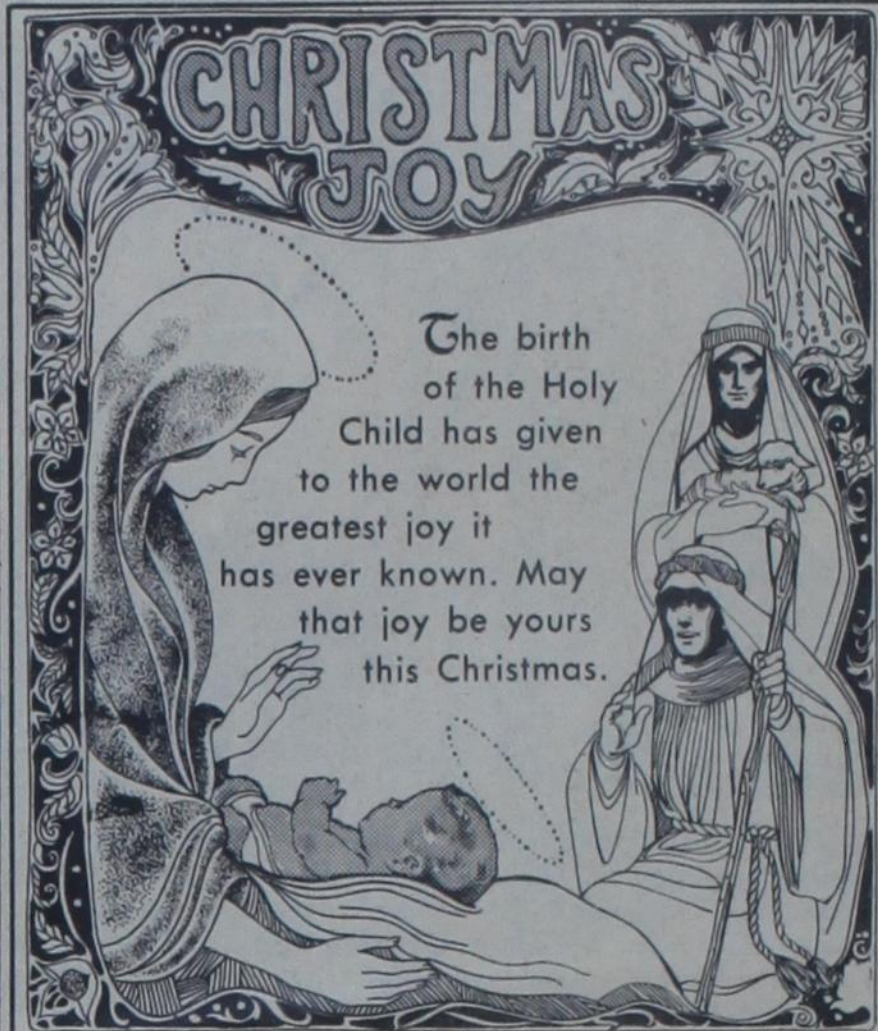
Dear Santa Claus,
Please brreige me a bicycle and I what a ball Please brreige me a too apples I what sme footbat shoses. Please brreig me a pop gun.

Richard Gonzales

Dear Santa Claus,
Will you brian me a rastrink and a horse trayler and prekup.

Donald Ray Bradley

"IF THE vast energies of the human race could be directed toward a goal of conservation instead of destruction, the good earth would respond with abundance of food for all." —W. C. Lowdermilk



ALVIN'S DRIVE-IN CLEANERS

"ONLY BY conservation can we be led on to a higher spiritual and physical development which will express itself in stewardship of the earth for the well-being of humanity for all time." —W. C. Lowdermilk

Best toys allow for imagination

A toy can help a child learn and grow as he has fun with it. He can explore and create, develop coordination, enrich his knowledge and prepare to deal

with abstract ideas like numbers and letters.

KEEP THIS in mind when looking for children's Christmas presents, says Jennie Kitching, Extension family life education specialist at Texas A&M University.

Here are her suggestions:

Give do-it-yourself toys. Complicated toys, like electric trains with networks of tracks and switches, are good for Dad and older brothers. Children want trains they can push on the floor.

Remember too, battery-powered playthings leave little to a young child's imagination and soon bores its owner.

GIVE DOLLS — just nice, plain dolls. Let the child's imagination supply the action.

Some toys help children learn about the grown-up world through role-playing. Many youngsters dote on miniature and pretend versions of grown-up possessions: a plastic razor for shaving, dishes and housekeeping equipment, dress-up clothes.

Give clay or paints. With them a child can make anything. But don't rashly ask what he is making. He may not know himself. It doesn't have to be anything; the young artist may just be experimenting with his feelings or with colors, forms, designs or textures.

LOOKING FOR a home to rent or buy? The best deals are on the News classified page, the county's most complete home listing.

"THE earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof." — I Cor. 10:26.

Christmas Greetings



Christmas, each year, is a wondrous occasion bringing into every home an abundance of joy and happiness for all... and the eternal spirit of love and peace, which is the essence of the season, never changes. It's the same feeling which makes us want to share the very best with our good friends and thank you for your loyalty.

Directors and Personnel

Dimmitt Wheat Growers, Inc.

Peace good will toward men

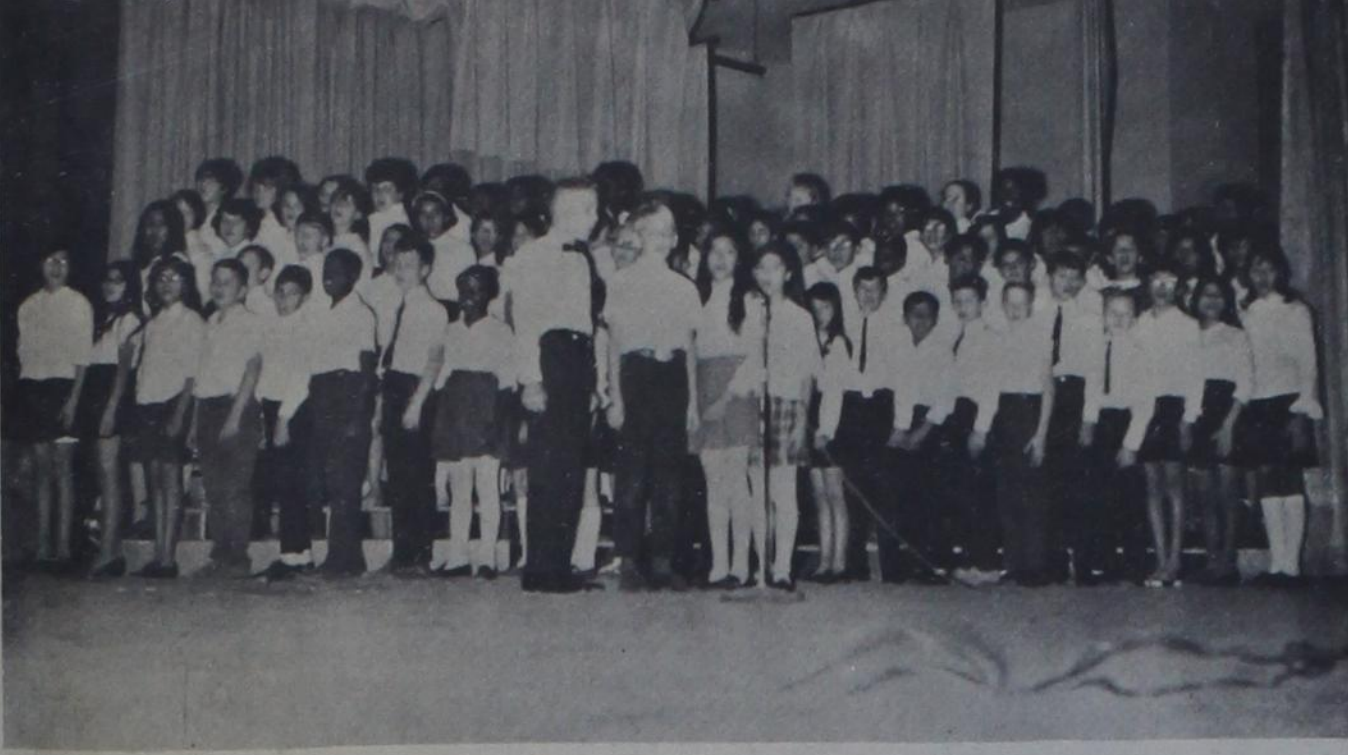
This season, it is our wish that your spirit be moved by the inspiration and hope that distinguished the first Christmas. And that its meaning then... of peace and good will toward men... will be its meaning now for you and your loved ones.

Y & B ELECTRIC CO.

CHARLIE YOUTS



"DO YOU HEAR What I Hear?" asks the Dimmitt High School Choir during the choral concert, "A Child's Christmas," last Thursday afternoon. The choir, directed by Mrs. Maxie Horton performed six Christmas songs during the concert, and the Girls



Choir sang a separate number, "What Child Is This?" The DHS Choir also was featured in a Christmas music program on KGNC-TV, Amarillo, Wednesday afternoon and on KGNC Radio Monday afternoon.

THE NORTH ELEMENTARY CHOIR performs during the Christmas choral concert, "A Child's Christmas," Thursday afternoon in Dimmitt High School auditorium. During the concert the young choristers also formed a "living Christmas tree" with decora-

tions and a star, and produced a "Toyland" scene with a manger. The elementary and high school choirs, accompanied by Andrea Axe, performed 12 traditional and contemporary Christmas songs during the concert.



At this wonderful time of the year we wish you and your families the merriest and happiest Christmas ever, plus a special "Thanks" for being special to us!

DAIRY QUEEN

GI thank-yous pour in

Letters continued coming in this week from county servicemen around the world who had received their homemade Christmas candy.

THE COUNTY'S candy makers whipped up more than 600 pounds of confections which were sent to more than 60 county servicemen in November.

Mrs. Reta Welch of Bethel, chairman of this year's "Christmas Candy for GIs" project, reported that she has received thank-you letters from six county servicemen.

Marine Lance Cpl. Graham Sheffy of the Marine Corps base at Twentynine Palms, Calif., wrote: "I RECEIVED your candy yesterday and we enjoyed it very

much. I say 'we' because my buddies enjoyed it as much as I. It's really nice when you know the people back home care enough about their servicemen to send something. You don't realize how much something like home means to you until you're in the military."

Pfc. Anthony M. Gibson of Fort Bragg, N.C., sent this letter to Mrs. James Bradford, Genrie Bruton and Mrs. Welch:

"YOU COULD never know just how much your package of goodies meant to me. It makes a person feel really cared about and thought of. I'm currently in the hospital and have been for 12 days, but plan to be out in six more. Will get to come home on

Dec. 27. "Again, I want to express my deep appreciation for your hard work and concern... Let us pray for peace and guidance... Thank you again and Merry Christmas to all of you" note from S-Sgt Milton J. "Pat" Patterson:

"Hi! Just a note to thank the people of the Castro County Candy Project. Everyone in the 12th Transportation liked the candy very much."

Sgt. and Mrs. Larry Ringwald wrote from England:

"THANK YOU all so much for the nice boxes of goodies. We really do appreciate your thoughts and deeds. As we are now in a move from here in England to Germany within a week, we really will enjoy it."

From M. C. McClenney, aboard the USS Enterprise in the Atlantic:

"I am writing to thank you and all of the girls who took the time and trouble to do the making and sending of the Christmas candy for the servicemen. My friends and I would like to compliment you are the girls, because it is always nice to know that someone is thinking of the servicemen no matter where they are."

SG. AND Mrs. Bill Ho-Gland, who are stationed in Bamberg, Germany, wrote:

"We received your box today, Thanksgiving Day. Thank you for once again remembering the men and women of the Armed Forces. This year we are lucky enough to be together as a family stationed at Bamberg, Germany. Please call my mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Scarborough, and tell them we said hello and Merry Christmas!"

"SECOND only to our human resources, the greatest natural asset of this nation is the soil itself. The coal, the oil, the iron, the lead, the gold and silver, and all the other precious, semi-precious and utilitarian minerals in the depths of the earth would be of little worth without the productive fertility of the surface." —Theodore R. McKeldin

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus,

I want some football shoes. May I have a bbgun, and some bbs too. can I have menybic.

Paul H. Brown

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a big car and I want a ball and I want a book off Christmas.

Mike Esquival

Dear Santa Claus,

May I have a pop gun Please and a bicycle, Please and a Indian Please and a Orange please.

Scott Jones

Der Santa Calus,

I want a: A reel Casscit tape recrader and wood burning set and spill and spell and some candy clouts and I want some clouts.

from Laury Franks

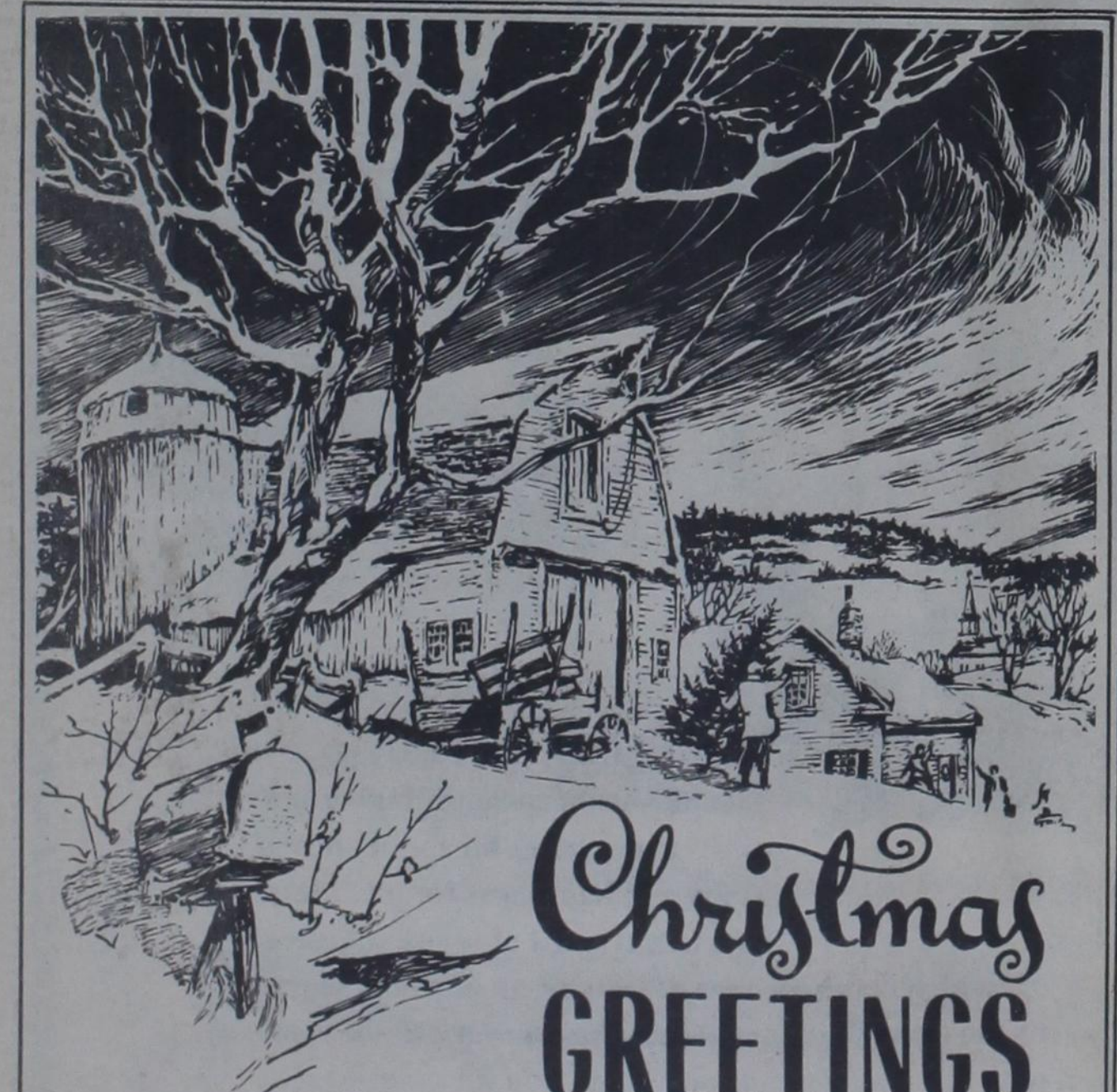


A Christmas Prayer

May the beautiful meaning of Christmas... living through the ages to inspire men everywhere... continue to live in your own heart and mind. And may your Christmas be filled with joy.

SHAW'S PLUMBING SERVICE

HOOPER AND PHOEBE



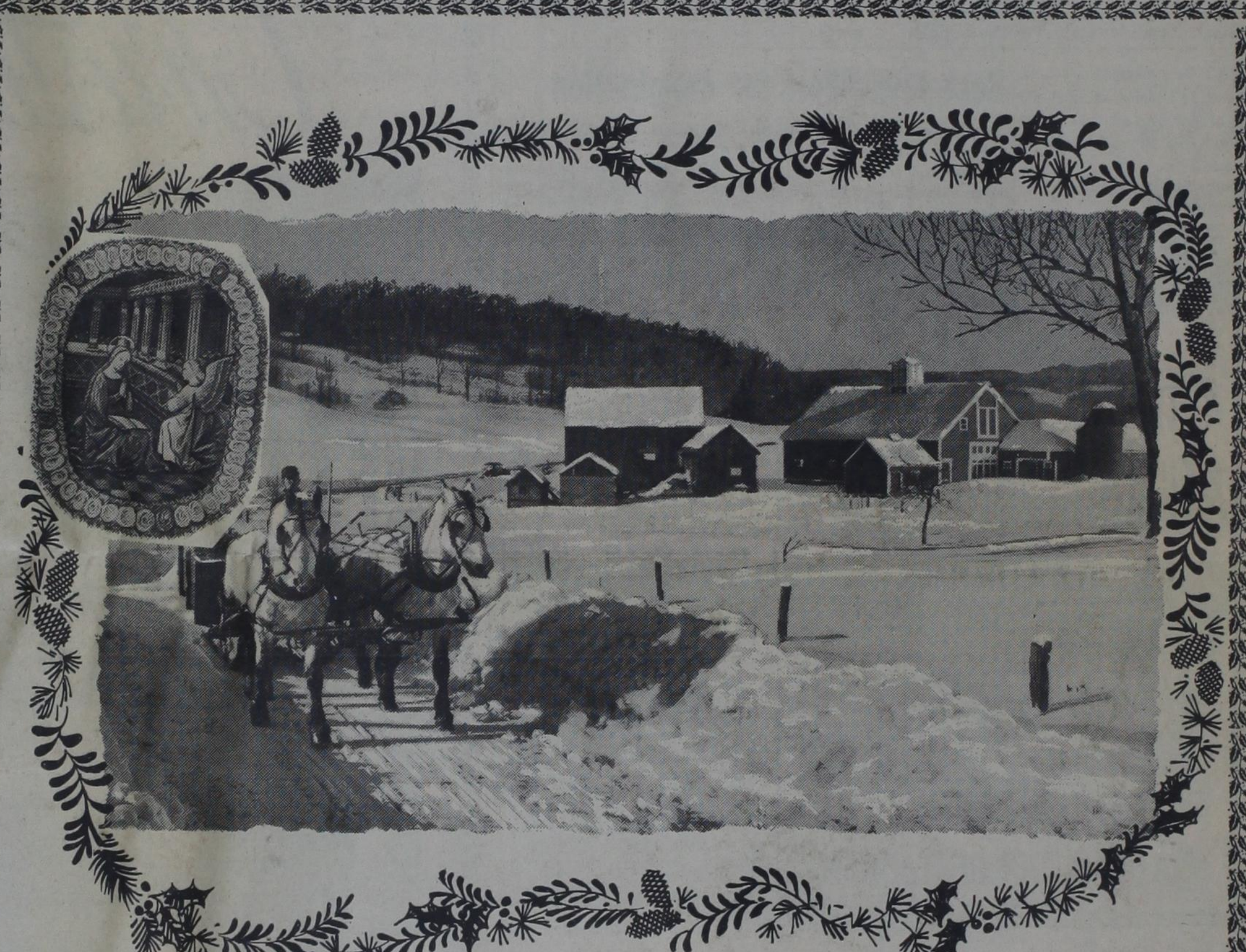
Christmas GREETINGS

At this crisp and exciting time of year, we are hopeful that your holiday will be filled with joyous warmth, richly shared with those you hold dear. And to you, our customers, we express our thanks and appreciation for your continued patronage. Merry Christmas!

DIMMITT ELECTRIC CO.

CLYDE VICK

Phone 647-3571



BEST WISHES FOR

Christmas

Christmas . . . the traditional time to give and to share! As the Yule season approaches, we sincerely hope that you will accept our thoughts of friendship, our thanks for your continued patronage and good will and our wishes of health and happiness, peace and contentment for you and your family. May your holiday festivities abound with merrymaking and delight; may the joy of the day continue to shine upon you throughout the years.

FRONTIER BODY SHOP

TULIA AND DIMMITT

J. C. HUGHES, JIMMY SMITH, ED EWING and JOE SMITH

Get a Bigger Sleigh, Santa Claus!



Dear Santa,
I want a five speed bike for a present from you, and a speedometer to put on it and a mirror to go on it to, and a electric football set, and most of all a hot wheel slot track with a hot wheel to go with it and I want the hot wheel to be a Chapparal, and I've been very good half of the time.

Yours truly,
Randy Durham

Dear Santa Claus,
You will soon be coming. I want a doll bed, a doll, and a high chair, and a table and four chairs, dresses and pajamas. I am in the first grade in Nazareth School.

Love,
Dianne Schulte

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a tractor set. And a game, And a Johnny West. Your friend
Kyle Gleghorn

I am in the secon grade in Nazareth School.

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade in Nazareth. I want a Cinderella doll. And some clothes for it. I want some clothes for my Tippee Toe Doll. A also want some Knee High boots. I try to be good, I

Love,
Laura Lea Kleman

Dear Santa,
Please bring me an easy bake and a Barbie doll. Please bring all the boys and girls some thing. I'm 6 years old.

Love,
Danelle

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a rifle and a ranch set and a guitar. I been a good boy this year. I hope all of the boys and girls get something. I am 8 years old.

Love,
Johnny Schmucker



Dear Santa Claus
We are wishing that you bring us some toys and candies for Christmas. There are five in the family. Susan age 10 wants a tipy toes doll that rides a tricycle. Elizabeth age 8 wants a talking doll and a box of dishes. Ann age 4 wants a doll that dances and an Easy Bake Oven. Clemente Jr. age 7 wants a Daisy B.B. Gun and some trucks. Louis age 6 wants a bike and some trucks for Road Building We would all like some candies so that we will have a white Christmas.

Thanky you
Susan Olvera
309 SW 3rd

Dear Santa Claus
I want a easy bake oven Can you bring it in Christmas I might not be here in Christmas We might go to San Benitao in Christmas my sister has a skating doll. This is Josefa Trevino writing this note.

I want a doll for Chrismas Sana Clos. I was good all the day throw and I will leve Sana milk and something to eat.

From Deanna.

Dear Santa Claus,
May I have a Suezhomaker and come to my house to brek a coke. have a nise Christmas.
Lori Ann Barnes.



Velvety snow falls on the countryside. Carolers, young and young at heart, sing out the spirit of the holiday. This is the season to be jolly, and the time to express our gratitude and appreciation to our friends for their support.

DICKEY'S DOZER SERVICE

FLOYD, FERN And EMPLOYEES

To Give Our Employees Some Time With Their Families, We will Be Closed December 25th through December 28th.



Best Wishes for the CHRISTMAS SEASON

Thanks to the support of friends old and new, everyday business is a special pleasure. Best wishes for the holiday season.

DIMMITT CLEANERS
MR. AND MRS. J. V. MESSENGER



At Christmas...

We pray that the miracle of His birth in a humble manger will once more spread its wonders, its promise across the land, bringing peace on earth, good will to men. In the joyous spirit of the holiday we offer our thanks to our customers for your many kindnesses. We greatly value and enjoy the privilege of serving you. Merry Christmas.

HI-PLAINS AUTO SUPPLY
BUCK & LEONA And EMPLOYEES

To Santa Claus
I want a doll and a pair of shoes. I hope you get what I want for Christmas.

Love
Oliever

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bicycle and a play doll and a pairs of boots and a ball and a dime ring and wig stick and a pretty dress, and a pair of shoes. My sister wants some too.

Dear Danta Claus,
I love you Santa Cluas, I am a good gril.

Dolores Lupe

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like some toys for Christmas. I would like a Johnny Lightning. I have been a good boy. Love Shane Rose and more toy Snakes in the grass, operation Toss across Getaway chase game nfl football game 4 foot snowboat Hoppity hop Roll over Movie projector

Dear Sauta Claus
I want a doll and a ring. I want a litten kitten and a jump rope and a bicycle and a play house and a fen and a dress and a wagon.

Estella Robledo

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll and a ball I want a jump rope. I want a litten kittle and a fan. May I have a ring and a bicycle.

Hilda Guzman

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a apple, I have a doll of Santa, I want a sled, Please I want a ball, I want a baby doll, I want to apples and on book, I want a big, I want the rat.

Rosalinda Aguilar

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a fan. I want a kitten. May I have a doll, I want a dress. I want a red dress. I want a jume rope I want a bell. I want a new dress. I love Santa Claus.

Irma Godino

Dear Santa Claus,
Please give me a big house if you do not give me a house I like some candy and a doll. And I like a coat. And to little apples.

from Patricia Martinez

Dear Santa Calus,
I want a BB gun. I like Christmas, I want too horse one trayler. I want a zoo, I want a bicycle, I want a Buzzy Buzz.

Scott Odom



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Santa has a message for his reindeer... "Be quick, step lively, it's Christmas!" And because it's Christmas, we have a message for you, and for all our wonderful customers and friends. We'd like to wish you every joy of the season, with much thanks for the joy of serving you.

HARMAN'S

BILL and PAULA HARMAN, ANGIE ABREGO, SARENA TEAGUE
GAIL WILCOX, LOIS YOUNG, ANGIE GONZALES, BILLY, DANA

Children's Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa,
I want a B-B gun and a Major Mat Mason and a Mini bike. I have been a good boy.
Yours truly,
Dustin Lee Wilcox

Dear Santa,
I want a gun. Will you got me a gun. I like to go hunting on Christmas. Will you get me sum cars. I want a gun.
Larry Bossett

Dear Santa,
I would like a doll that has a little bed with her bottle and her clothes to. And Santa I love you and Mrs. Claus. And you look real funny with your beard. And Santa I have been good with my mother and father to. And Santa once I saw you in the television with your animals to. And santa once you were at home with Mrs. Claus at your house. And once the little reindeer had heard a noise and guess what that noise and up came a monster and he went with them.
Yours truly,
Normalinda Villegas

Dear Santa,
I want a mini bike and a crazy car and hot wheels. I ben a good boy. I won't a hole lot of presents and an elctric foot ball game.
Your truly,
Bill Cranford

Dear Santa,
I want a car set, and a bride doll, and some games, and a ball and a little mouse for my kitten, and something for my puppy. I've been a good girl so bring me these toys.
Your truly,
Carol Bagwell

Dear Santa Claus,
I am wirthing you this letter and that I want a perry litle doll and a little dog for Christmas ho ho here we are with Santa Claus ho ho the December the 25 is Christmas. Marry Christmas heppy knew year have good lock goodby Santa.
to Santa Claus from a little girl Adela Barrera ho ho ho Marry Christmas happy Knew year.



Greetings

Happiness, kindness, and tidings of good will are what we wish you on this holy and happy holiday. We send you our best through this little message to show our appreciation.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl all year. I would like Dancerina and a easy bake oven and a Buffy doll that talks. I am in the 3rd grade. I am 9 years old. I will have you some milk and cookies out Christmas night.
Yours truly,
Cara Miller

Dear Santa,
I want a bike for Christmas and a candy to. I being a good boy at school, I which you could oom to school. every one will be happy to see you at school. My father said he was going to take us to see you but he didn't had time to go. So I am going to writh you a letter for you. And don't forget to by me a bike on Christmas.
I love you sant
Yours truly
Hector Gonzales

Dear Santa,
How are you, I am fine. I would like a Sun and Snow, Football helmet, and a roobot and Slinky. That is ll.
Love,
Ross Armstrng
609 W. Stinson
Dimmitt, Texas

Greetings

From all of us to every one of you, may we offer a sleighful of the best holiday greetings and a sincere thank you for all your kindness.

KITRELL ELECTRONICS

P. S. My address is 715 W. Cleveland.

Dear Santa,
I know that you and your elves have been working hard. I want a bridedoll and a barbie doll and clothes for it. And a barbie suitcase, and a ring. I hope you feel good and your elves. I love you.
Yours truly,
Janie Henderson

Dear Santa,
How are you? How is Mrs. Claus? I am just fine. I have been a nice girl. Thank you for last years gifts from you and Mrs. Claus. This Christmas I want a toy super market with cash register and telephone.
Yours truly,
Kathy Goldsmith

Dear Santa Claus,
I want Dencerina, Cotton Candy Maker, and a buggy with curtains.
I have a little brother; would you bring him a Hot Wheel town, Bobcat football helmet, John Deere tractor, and bicycle. Also a Poppy Corn Popper!
We love you Santa. We will leave you something to eat Christmas Eve.
Always,
Kim and Jeffrey Watts

Dear Santa,
I've been a good girl this year. I want a Buffy doll that talks and the litte tiny Mrs. Beasley. And a Easy Bake oven. And a litte baby crawler. I will leave you a cupcake on the bar.
Yours truly,
Penny Proffitt

Dear Santa,
I want a Swinging wonder, a hot wheels grandpre set with Loda GT 70, split n image custom volkswagon, feetside, beatnik bandit, a five speed bike with mirror, and Speedometer and a Snoopy Teddy Bear. a talking Larry Lion.
Yours truly
Leslie Heard

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? How is your wife and rudolph, how are your elfs? I'm plaining again to see you this year. I have been good this year. I want a bycile and a skedildder. I'm going to have a very big stocking for you too fill up wifn apples, oranges, nuts, candy canes, and candy. I'm going to make you a cake and some hot tea when you come. Have a nice trip.
Your friend,
Susan Renaud

P.S. My address is N.W. 12th and Halsell.

Dear Santa,
I waet sum presents for me and mother. Santa I hope you will bring me sum presents. I want a mini bike fore Christmas.
Yours truly,
Danny Reyes

Dear Santa,
I want a five spead, and a speedometer to put on it and a mirror to put on it and a electric football set and most of all a Hot wheel st slot track with a hot wheel car with it and a Johnny Lightning Dragster and some tools.
Yours truly,
Johnny Merritt

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade. I want a chalk board and chalk. I want a baseball glove and a bat. I was sick last week. Now I am well. Bring Mother and Daddy, and Ricky and Wayne everything they want.
Love,
Lester Backus

Dear Satna,
How are you?
I want a B-B gun and a train for Christmas. And I been a good boy. And I want my mother and Daddy to get some too.
Yours truly,
Danny Thomas Ortiz

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? How is your wife, and ruddof, and the elfs? I have been good this year. I want a Car Carrier, for Christmas. I am going to have a big stocking for you to fill up. I will have you a cup of coffee and some cookies when you come. I want you to have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Your friend,
Robert Renaud

The Village Shop

CHEERY Greetings

We put aside our business to greet all our fine patrons with sincere best wishes for a Merry Christmas and to express our deepest appreciation for your continued friendship and many kindnesses.

NORTHERN PROPANE GAS CO.
T. D. Claborn, Manager

Merry Christmas

Amid the hustle and bustle and busy preparation of this merry time we pause in the happy tradition of the season to wish our many fine friends and neighbors all the long-lasting happiness of an old-fashioned Yule. Thanks for your loyal support.

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a big four tractor. I want a train. I want a training bike. I want a manure tractor. I like you because you give me toys. You are nice to me. I hope you came to all of the houses. I am in the second grad. I see you on T.V. We got a new truck. We got lot of stuff from you. All of us get toys. I wish you a Happy Christmas. I am bad to you. I go to school every day. I like you a lot. We got a Christmas book. I like our Christmas book. I hope you come to our house. I want you to come everywhere. Thank you, Remember my family.

Your friend,
Greg Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a farm with one or two tractors. And I want a bike if you the moey, give me any toy you want to me. But I want a bike please, and a farm I would like a race and car set please. And please bring me some colers for school. My mother and father want a divan. And my brother Victor want some gloo and colers. My mother wants a stov and a lamp. My father wants a tool box. My little brother wants wat I want.

Thank you
from Val Steffens

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bike and a farmset and toss across and a John Deere with a cab and duel. I want another John Deere tractor with a cab and no duel. And hats-off and a Michigan shovel. Don't forget my parents and brothers and sisters.

Thank you,
Leland Hoelting

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Work book and a sewing machine and a slack set and a toy vacuum cleaner. And bring everybody a happy Christmas and even you. Please remember my Mommy and Daddy.

Love Doretta R.
Thank you

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bike and Mrs. Beazley. We have a Christmas tree I have ben good. We have a math race in school. Please remember my parents.

Love,
Roanne Acker

Dear Santa,
I have been very good. I would like to have a cowgirl shirt and some cowgirl pants. I want some cowgirl boots, too. I also want a doll called Swingy. She dances. I want a few mystery books, spooky ones.

Yours truly,
Susan L. Clay

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a fan, I want a car. I want a big bicycle. I want a big blue ball. I want a big Santa Claus. I want a big blue Christmas. I want a big Red TREE.

Pat Luna



FIREHOUSE ELVES—Dimmitt's volunteer firemen proudly display the hundreds of used toys they repaired and repainted for delivery to the city's underprivileged children on Christmas eve. Collecting, repairing and distributing

the toys is an annual project of the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Dept. and Auxiliary. The firemen had two large tables of toys ready to go after last Thursday night's meeting.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. I hope you think so to. Anyhow I want a baton a basket for my bicycle and a hotel for my little kiddles.

Yours truly
Lisa Wales

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl. I want a B.B. gun and some ring I want a toy store. I want a ball. I want a big jump rope

Laura Miller

Dear Santa Claus.
Please give me a Johnn lightn and a BB gun.

Dear Santa Claus,
Will you let me have a ball and a orange and a doll and a appl. I want a jump rope.

Leticia Gutierrez

Dear Santa Claus
May I have a Suezhomaker and a doll that play and a jump-rope.

Janet Black

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a basket and a ball. And a big clock I want a ball And I like you Santa Claus.

Christina Sue Valadez.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl all year. I am 9 years old. I would like a Buffy doll that talks and her little Mrs. Beasley that she holds in her hand. and a record player and some games. I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Yours Truly
Starla Gayle Tindal

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a whtirl skep. I like the toys you gived me last time. And i love you to. I love my family to. I love my father to. I love my mother to.

Cindy Ehly
And please remember my parents.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Western Rifle and Please bring me a Mustang bike and Please bring me a big toy barn and Please don't forget my family. I have been a good boy.

Thank you
Dewayne Heck

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year an I would like a Barbie that doesn't talk an some Barbie doll clothes Santa I can't think of any thing else.

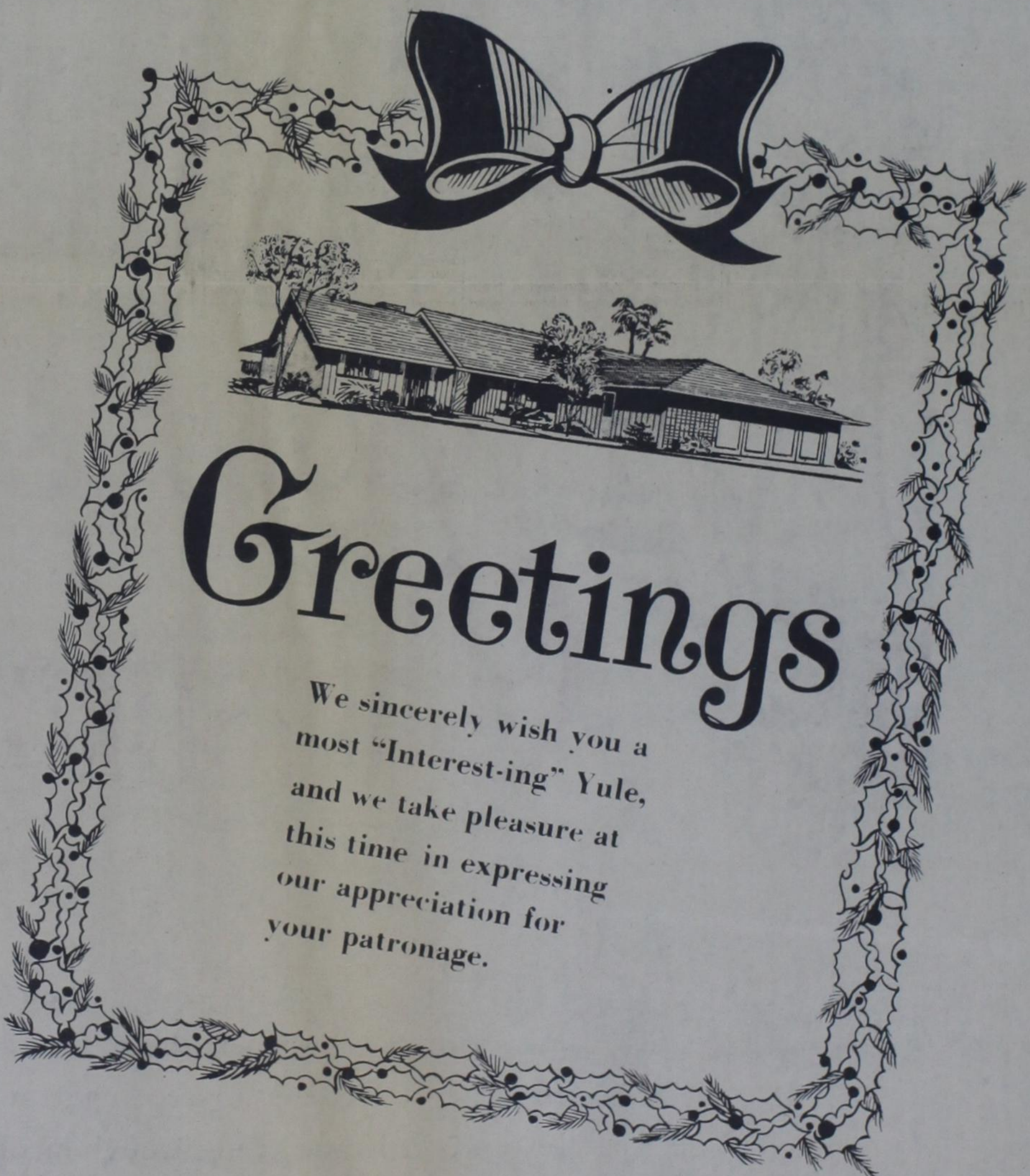
by Santa
Your truly,
Cindy

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Let us add our voices to those of the young carolers here, as we wish each and every one of you the very best of the Christmas season — all the merriment it holds. And may we extend grateful thanks.

ED HARRIS LUMBER CO.
HART, TEXAS



Greetings

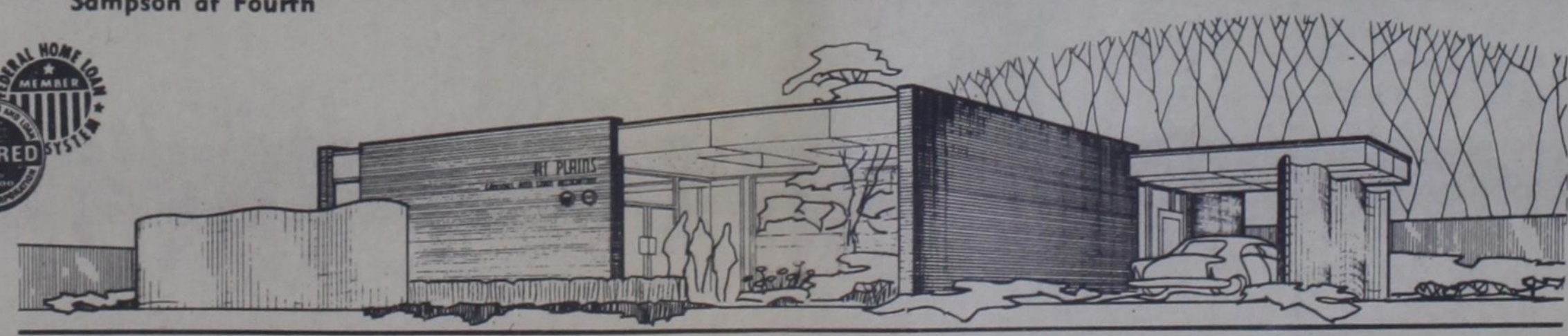
We sincerely wish you a most "Interest-ing" Yule, and we take pleasure at this time in expressing our appreciation for your patronage.

From our entire staff

Hi-Plains Savings & Loan Assn.

Sampson at Fourth

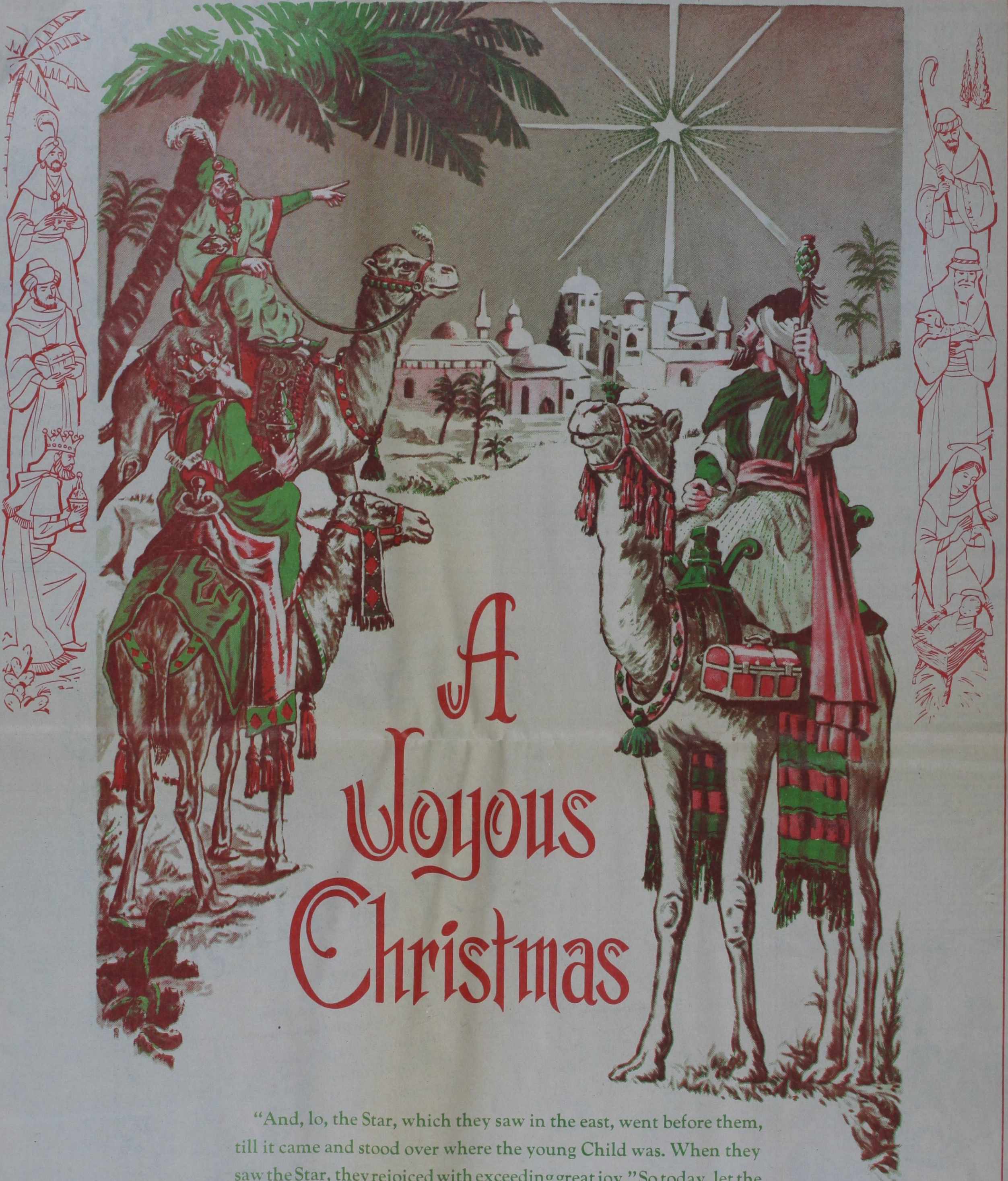
Hereford, Texas



Christmas Greetings

Here's wishing you a merry old-fashioned Christmas. And to you, warm thanks for your confidence and trust! It has been a pleasure to serve you.

Cowsert Abstract Co.



A Joyous Christmas

"And, lo, the Star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was. When they saw the Star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy." So today, let the peace and joy of Christmas shine throughout our daily lives, bestowing the blessings of the season upon one and all. In the glad tradition of this most beloved holiday, we join in the wonder and rejoicing, and say a heartfelt "Merry Christmas" to our many good friends.

Sincere thanks to our loyal customers for your kind patronage.

Dimmitt Feed Yards, Inc.