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Area gins gaining full speed

With the coming of warm, dry weather for the past few days, area farmers have taken to their fields with a will and the gins have been working around the clock.

A survey of area gins shows full cotton trailers piling up in the yards in ever increasing numbers. With the harvest approximately three weeks late and all the cotton being ready for harvest at the same time, it is being widely predicted that this will be one of the shortest ginning seasons on record.

The cool, wet fall season had a detrimental effect on the crop which is reported to have dropped off in both grade and micronaire from that of last year's harvest. The only bright area of the harvest picture is the prices being paid, which have risen slowly but steadily during the past two or three weeks.

Harvest operations are increasing daily in the Levelland area, according to C. R. Wharton, in charge of the U.S.D.A. Cotton Classing Office in Levelland which serves Morton area producers.

Samples receipts increased daily last week and reached approximately 1,500 on Friday.

The U.S.D.A. Classing Office in Levelland classed 3,900 samples during the week ending Friday, December 17th, bringing the season's total to 10,500. At this date last year 127,000 samples of the 1970 crop had been classed.

Grades remained about the same as the previous week. Strict Low Middling Light Spotted was the predominant grade with 52 per cent of all cotton classed. Low Middling Light Spotted made up 24 per cent, Low Middling 5 per cent and all Spotted grades 10 per cent.

Staples were predominantly 29 to 31. Twenty-five per cent had a staple length of 29, 40 per cent stapled 30 and 18 per cent was 31.

Micronaire was lower than the previous week. Eleven per cent of the cotton "miked" in the Levelland office was in the premium range of 3.5 to 4.9, 12 per cent "miked" 3.3 and 3.4, 47 per cent 3.0 through 3.2, 26 per cent was 2.7 through 2.9 and 4 per cent was 2.6 and below.

The Consumer and Marketing Service of the U.S.D.A. reported increased trading in the new crop cotton. Prices were five to ten dollars per bale higher than the previous week. Prices ranged from

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THE FACES OF CHRISTMAS . . .

WHAT COULD BE MORE EXPRESSIVE of the true spirit of Christmas than the shining faces of the little ones as they sing their praises in Christmas carols? Their very existence makes life a joy for their parents which is accutely accented

during the Yuletide season. This photo, taken, during the Christmas pageant at the First United Methodist Church Sunday evening, could have been taken in any church and the appearance of the children would be much the same.

Tribe cops honors, third at DC

The Morton Indians traveled to Denver City last weekend to play in the DC tournament and took home the third place trophy. And in addition to their high finish the Tribe supplied the tournament's most valuable player in Elton Patton. Keith Embry was also selected as a member of the all-tournament team.

In the opening game the Indians took on a fine AAA ballclub in the Brownfield Cubs. The Tribe had to hold its breath as a last second shot by the Cubs rimmed the basket and fell away at the buzzer. Morton had its finest shooting night of the season as they gained a 51-50 victory. The Tribe hit 53 of the field goal attempts and 79 of their charity tosses. Embry and Patton led the scoring with 16 and 12 points respectively.

In the 2nd round the Indians shooting percentage did an about face as they could only hit 25% from the field and as a result Lamesa was able to capture a 55-37 win over the Indians. Patton led the attack with 17 points and 11 rebounds.

Facing the host Mustangs in the third place game, the Tribe jumped to a 12-2 lead and followed the hot hand of Patton in this game cinched his selection as MVP as he ripped the nets for 26 points and hauled in 15 rebounds.

Monday night the Levelland Lobos stepped onto the court for the opening tipoff and 3 minutes later the Lobos found themselves on the short end of a 15-2 score. The Indians were off to a super fast start as they hit the first 5 shots they fired at the basket. Levelland took

time-out to regroup their forces and attempt to cool off the Indians hot hand. The strategy worked as the Lobos chipped away at the lead to trail by only five points at the end of the quarter.

The Tribe continued their tailspin in the second quarter while the Lobos' 6-5 center Grant Dukes began to zero in on the bucket and Levelland carried a 32-28 lead in at halftime.

The Indians were still off the mark in the second half and in their attempt to get the ball late in the game the Tribe committed numerous fouls which the Lobos were able to convert and gain the final 61-51 advantage.

Bryant Lewis led the Indian attack with 15 points and he was followed by Elton Patton with 12 points.

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Damage by vandals high on three farms in county

Vandals caused several thousand dollars worth of damage to crops and equipment on three farms southwest of Morton Saturday night or early Sunday morning, according to a report by the Cochran county sheriff's office.

Whiteface boy shot by accident Friday

Jacky Strickland, 15, of Whiteface, was recovering early this week in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock from a gunshot wound received Saturday, according to a report by Cochran County Sheriff Hazel Hancock.

Hancock stated that Strickland was apparently shot by mistake by David Johnson, 15, also of Whiteface, when he mistook Strickland and his dog for a pair of coyotes. David and his father Don Johnson, were reportedly returning from feeding some horses on a farm seven miles south of Whiteface when the younger Johnson saw what he thought to be a couple of coyotes playing near a water tank. He got out of his father's pickup truck and fired at them with a 30.30 Winchester saddle gun, striking the Strickland boy high in the left chest area.

They were reported to have heard Strickland cry out and went to give him aid. He was transported to the hospital in Levelland in the pickup and was later transferred to Methodist Hospital.

The accident occurred at approximately 6 p.m., Saturday, December 18, the sheriff concluded.

ing, according to a report by the Cochran county sheriff's office.

A large tractor with a tandem disc was started up and allowed to run for several hours through unharvested cotton on the Jimmy Millar farm, destroying an estimated five to ten bales before finally coming to a halt in its erratic journey over the fields, the report states.

A large tractor, thought to be owned by Ben and Ed Pinkert and equipped with a cotton stripper, basket and blower, was turned loose and finally came to rest on an irrigation well and pump causing extensive damage to both on a farm owned by Bob Polvado of Morton. Damage to the tractor and rig was tentatively estimated at \$1,000.

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No Paper Next Week

The Morton Tribune will not be published next week, Thursday, December 30, in order that the staff may take advantage of the slack business season to take a short vacation.

The Tribune office will close for the Christmas holidays at 5 p.m. December 23 and will re-open at 8:30 a.m. January 3.

Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year to all.



PERSONAL HAZARD . . .

THE BURR FILE FIRE pictured above is an all-too-common sight on the High Plains during the ginning season. The one above, at the Lawlis Gin on N.E. 1st Street, burned over a wide area Monday as a stiff breeze fanned it along and helped spread it out. It took approximately 20 firefighters several hours to get it under complete control.

ASCS committee announces earlier farm sign-up date

The program sign up will be earlier than usual. The sign-up period for wheat, feed grain and cotton farmers will begin on January 1, 1972. The sign-up period for cotton farmers will begin on January 15, 1972. The sign-up period for wheat farmers will begin on January 1, 1972. The sign-up period for feed grain farmers will begin on January 1, 1972.

It would be a shame for farmers to miss their chance to participate because bad weather kept them from coming in to sign up," Key said.

To qualify to participate in ASCS set-aside programs for wheat, feed grain and cotton farmers will set aside 83 percent of the farm's domestic wheat allotment, 25 percent of the feed grain base and/or 20 percent of their cotton allotment.

The Agricultural Act of 1970, which established the set-aside concept, has opened the way for major shifts in the patterns of American farming. By using set-aside acreage to limit general overproduction, individual farmers are free to plant the rest of their cropland to crops which will

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★ All are . . .

Christmas Eve Communion will be observed at First United Methodist Church of Morton between the hours of 5:00 and 7:30 P.M., Friday Dec. 24.

Families are invited to come together to begin their celebration of Christmas at the altar of the church.

The Methodist Church extends a cordial invitation to peoples of all faiths to come if they so desire. The pastor will be on hand during those hours to officiate in the partaking of the elements.

Strick Ramirez found hanging in jail cell Lubbock Friday

Strick Ramirez, who is thought to be a man who terrorized the city of Levelland in a wave of assault and murder early this fall, was found dead in the Lubbock county jail cell Friday afternoon. He was reported by sheriff's personnel to be hanging by his belt from a door when found.

Deputy Sheriff Wayne LeCroy said Ramirez' death was from self-inflicted strangulation, but he had made no official ruling pending the results of an autopsy.

Ramirez was last seen alive Friday morning at breakfast.

Deputies found the body about 4:15 p.m. and were making his nightly feeding when they discovered the body. Sheriff C. H. "Choc" Blanchard said.

Deputies Cleo Rogers and Tommy Wilcox lowered Ramirez' body to the cell floor after the discovery. Albert Smith, deputy sheriff, said.

Smith explained the only time a belt was attached was if it were a wide belt with a large buckle that could easily be used as a weapon.

One week ago Ramirez' upcoming murder trial was moved to Plains on a change of venue requested and granted by Judge M. C. Ledbetter of Morton. The trial was set for Feb. 14.

Fleming article published in magazine

The latest issue of "Texana" magazine has an article written by a former Morton teacher and based on some historical letters owned by a Morton family. The letters were written by Mrs. Donkey's great-great-grandmother's brother, J. D. Wilson, during the Civil War. This E. Fleming, former history teacher at the Morton secondary schools, wrote the article. The title of the article is "The Young Confederate Stationed in Texas: The Letters of Joseph David Wilson,"

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CARRYING MORTON'S BANNERS . . .

THE MORTON HIGH SCHOOL basketball fortunes for 1971 rest with the eight squadmen and two coaches above. So far this season their play has been of championship calibre which has brought their record to the 12-3 mark, with all three losses inflicted by Class AAA teams. Left to right front row, they are; Jimmy Harvey, 5'10", junior; Larry

Thompson, 5'9", sophomore; Ted Thomas, 6', junior and Keith Embry, 5'9", senior. Rear row, left to right; Ted Whillock, head basketball coach; Bryant Lewis, 6', senior; Elton Patton, 6', senior; Mike Gilliam, 6', junior; Tony Bramblett, 6'2", junior and Tommy Thomson, assistant basketball coach.

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OUT OF THE PAST . . .

THE ANCIENT EDISON PHONOGRAPH above being admired by its owners, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Buchanan of Morton, should evoke a certain amount of nostalgia in the oldtimers of the area. The antique machine, which still plays its cylindrical type records loud and clear, was built on or about 1915, according to Buchanan's best estimate, shortly after which manufacturers turned to the construction of flat turntables and records. This is just one of the large collection of antiques the Buchanans deal in, partly as a hobby and partly as a business.

Husband has right to choose residence for family—usually

"Whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge."

Does the modern wife owe this kind of biblical loyalty to her husband? Under today's law, is she still obliged to let him choose the family home?

ALMOST EVERYWHERE, that continues to be the basic rule. By and large, it is the husband who has the last word as to where they will live. If the wife refuses to follow his lead, she is guilty of desertion — grounds for divorce.

Thus: To cut expenses, a man prepared to move to a smaller apartment. But his wife decided it was "not stylish enough" for her, and went home to her parents. After a long impasse, the man finally sued for divorce and won a decree. The judge said the wife's refusal to live with him, for no good and sufficient reason, made her a deserter in the eyes of the law.

Nevertheless, the husband's authority is far from absolute. He cannot insist on a housing arrangement which is simply

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not fair to his spouse.

For example, one man decided to move in with his mother, even though he could well afford separate lodgings and even though his mother and wife did not get along with each other.

A court held, in these circumstances, that the wife had a legitimate excuse for not joining the household.

FURTHERMORE, when a man invites his wife to join him at a new location, he must really mean it — not just be going through the motions. One cantankerous husband, having journeyed alone to the West Coast, sent back the following "invitation" to his wife:

"I have completely gotten over my regard for you, if I ever had any. However, I am doing what I must do, even though you have ruined my life. I ask you to come and make your home with me, as the law requires."

When she held back, he tried to divorce her on the grounds of desertion. But the court ruled against him. The judge said this was the kind of an invitation that no self-respecting wife could possibly accept.

A public service feature of the American Bar Association and the State Bar of Texas. Written by Will Bernard.

Vandals . . .

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ated at \$2,500., Hancock said.

A third tractor, owned by Johnny Hodges and also equipped with a stripper, smashed into a lengthy section of towable irrigation pipe and carried it a long distance before entangling itself in a natural gas meter installation and coming to a halt. Damage to the line and tractor was not estimated but is thought to be several hundred dollars, Hancock stated.

No arrests have been made in the case and it is still under investigation by his office, the sheriff concluded.

Fleming . . .

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1864-1865" This is Fleming's second article to be published in "Texana," which is a quarterly journal devoted to scholarly works in Texas history.

The article concludes, "As a heritage letters afford a peek into the nature of military life in Texas for a young confederate soldier."

Fleming, who is now an instructor of history at Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell Campus, wrote "Texas' Last Frontier: A History of Cochran County, Texas" in 1965. He has since that time written numerous articles and feature stories for the Tribune, as well as articles for educational, religious, and popular publications.

Veterans Administration co-sponsorship of G.I. Bill on-the-job training with private, state, Federal and municipal employers recently resulted in 8,000 new programs and 12,000 new "job slots."

G.I. home loan activities during the June and September quarters chalked up the best record of any similar period since the late 1950's, according to the Veterans Administration.

Governor 'shocked' by DP holiday estimate of deaths

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

"To us, it is intolerable that we continue to accept the death of our fellow Texans at such an alarming rate," the Governor said after reviewing Department of Public Safety estimates that 52 persons will die on Texas streets and highways during the Christmas weekend and 46 more will be killed during the New Year's weekend.

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

and dismay," the Governor said. "We pledge the most vigorous effort on the state to keep the toll well below expectation."

The Governor said the drivers who have demonstrated that careful driving can result in lower death tolls during the Thanksgiving weekend, death toll no higher than an average day despite the heavy holiday travel.

"This was following an all-out appeal to encourage safe driving during a safety blitz by state and law enforcement officials," the Governor said. "An average of approximately 100 deaths occur each day on streets and highways. Approximately 100 died during the four-day Thanksgiving holiday."

"This proves that 'drive safely' works," the Governor said. "Drive safely" is the theme of a traffic safety campaign contributed as a public service by the state's communications media.

"Accordingly, we will again use reminders to Texas drivers through news media, urging them to drive 'friendly,'" Gov. Smith said. He said that the ads on television and radio in the newspapers include tips on driving habits that contribute to safer roads.

"In addition, we will again appeal law enforcement officials to crack down on violators," the chief executive said.

"When we view predictions that 100 Texans will die during the Christmas weekends, it is particularly disturbing to recall that one-half of all fatal accidents appear to involve a driver who is drunk," the Governor said.

"We will warn Texas drivers of the dangers of driving after drinking," he said. "And we will appeal to law enforcement officers to be especially alert for the drunk driver."

The Governor said material for television and newspapers have been distributed and he indicated he issued a personal appeal to station managers and editors to join in publicizing traffic safety messages.

Cranberry varieties differ in color but aren't identified by varieties in the supermarket. So when you see the berries, Extension foods and nutrition specialists say to look for plump, berries with a lustrous red color. Cranberries are now available in plentiful supplies, as are cranberry sauce and berry juice cocktail.

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The simple rules will help with weight loss resolution

Season of the year to conjure up new year's resolutions, and many that seem to crop up are losing weight. Make yourself this year and follow simple steps to weight reduction. Sally Springer, Extension nutrition specialist at Texas A&M University, says you must decide that you really want to lose weight. Miss Springer points out that nutritionists may report that you are carrying those extra pounds, but it is up to you — and what you eat — to trim them off. Or, it's what you don't eat that counts.

Approximately 100 million Americans are overweight. It's a national health problem. Your doctor will make sure you lose weight, especially if you have heart disease, high blood pressure, or diabetes.

If your goal is 10-20 pounds, the specialist advises. Also ask a physician about exercising.

Choose a sensible diet, she adds, that is 500-1,000 calories lower than what you normally eat. For women this level is generally around 1200 calories. Also make sure the diet is nutritionally balanced.

Here is a diet that supplies all of the needed nutrients for only 1200 calories:

Breakfast — (a very important meal) one eight-ounce glass of skim milk, one poached egg, one piece of dry toast and one-half cup tomato juice.

Lunch — cheese sandwich, carrot and celery sticks and one eight-ounce glass of skim milk.

Dinner — meat patty, broccoli, tossed salad with oil and vinegar, roll and iced tea or coffee.

Snack — apple or pear.

According to the specialist, this diet uses lower calorie foods from the basic four food groups including milk, meat, bread and cereal, and fruit and vegetable.

A fourth step in proper dieting is to exercise daily, Miss Springer says. Remember that body weight is governed by two factors — the calories eaten in food and the calories expended in exercise. Just think how much quicker you will lose weight if you work on both diet and exercise!

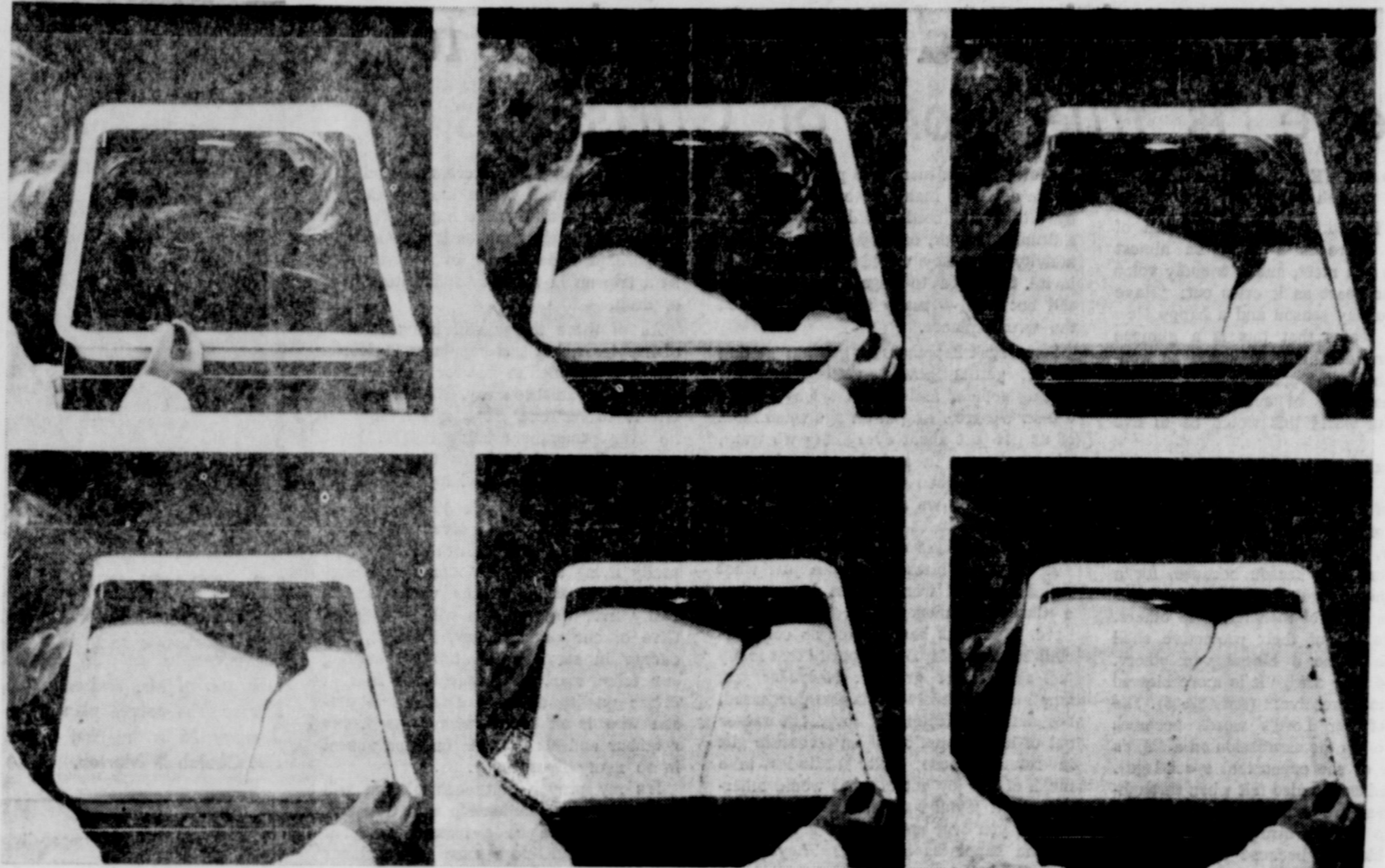
Also remember to be patient, she notes. Don't try to achieve your weight goal all at once but follow a safe routine of losing one to two pounds a week. It is harder to gain back lost pounds if you lose weight slowly.

Incorporate these five keys to weight reduction in your daily habits and your new year's resolution will come true, Miss Springer adds.

Out of Orbit



THAT'S WHAT I SAID, I'M LEADING FOR WEST MARS



Ridin' herd...

THE SEQUENCE of time-lapse photographs (one exposure every two seconds — left to right) illustrates the effectiveness of Shell Oil Herder on a simulated oil slick in a laboratory tray. Developed by Shell Pipe Line Corporation to aid in the containment and removal of oil spills, Oil Herder has just received official classification from the Environmental Protection Agency as "a surface collecting agent" and has been licensed by the state of California as an acceptable oil spill

clean-up agent. In this demonstration a slick was formed by adding crude oil to water in the tray. Two drops (.05 ml each) of Oil Herder were applied — one at each corner of the near side of the tray. Immediately upon application, the Oil Herder begins to compete with the oil for water surface and causes the oil to contract upon itself at the far side of the tray.

Mrs. Fred hosts Christmas party

Mrs. Artie Fred was host to the Busy Fingers Sewing Club Christmas party December 16. Members exchanged gifts. The next meeting will be January 6 in the home of Mrs. Rolly Hill.

PREVENTING VITAMIN LOSS — Losses of vitamins A and C occur when vegetable tissues are bruised. To prevent bruising, Extension home economics specialists suggest using a sharp blade when trimming, cutting or shredding vegetables.

Shell develops chemical cowboy

Environmental protection efforts will soon be getting a boost from a chemical "cowboy" that "corrals" oil spills on water.

Developed as part of Shell Oil Company's environmental conservation program, the chemical can surround a floating oil slick and "herd" it into a smaller surface area sometimes hundreds of times smaller.

Appropriately named Oil Herder, a Shell trademark, the chemical can help contain a spill until the cleanup equipment arrives to recover the oil. Previously, containment of spills had been handled exclusively by mechanical devices.

Oil Herder has undergone a year of successful testing after being developed in Shell Pipe Line Corporation's Research and Development Laboratory in Houston. It has also been tested and evaluated by several independent laboratories for Shell, and by governmental agencies.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has classified Oil Herder as a "surface collecting agent," and the State of California has licensed it as an oil spill clean up agent, the first chemical-type product to receive such approval in that state.

Tests to determine the effects of Oil Herder on marine life shows it to be harmless to fish, shrimp, oysters, and water fowl, if used as directed. These test data were supplied to both the EPA and California and were used in their evaluations.

Also from an environmental standpoint, Oil Herder works on the surface of the water. It does not sink or disperse the oil, which means it does not persist on the water, but quickly breaks down into simpler materials.

While Oil Herder has demonstrated its value as a tool for oil spill clean up, it is not a panacea for oil spill problems. It does not perform the difficult task of removing the oil from the water, for ex-

ample. High winds and wave conditions and extremely cold waters also limit Oil Herder's effectiveness. Therefore, the final decision regarding the use and application of Oil Herder is left to the discretion of the government's on-scene coordinator who is in charge of clean up operations.

Because Oil Herder can "push" oil on water, it can be used to protect harbors and marinas threatened by an approaching oil slick. In some instances Oil Herder applied to a small harbor could keep as slick from entering. But even if the spill occurred in a harbor, the likelihood of damage would be greatly reduced and clean up would be much easier if Oil Herder were applied around the spill.

Lab tests of Oil Herder also indicate it could help protect beaches threatened by an approaching slick. If it were applied to the surf zone ahead of the slick, it could inhibit the oil from penetrating the sand.

Only small amounts of Oil Herder are needed to control spills, and application is simple because it is applied only around the edges of a slick. Small spills in marinas or harbors can be contained with a hand-operated garden-type sprayer. For larger spills, spray units attached to helicopters are easily adapted.

The cost of Oil Herder would be an insignificant aspect of clean-up work. For example, the amount of Oil Herder required to initially treat a spill one mile in circumference is estimated to be less than \$25.

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With proper care, that prized poinsettia you receive for Christmas will give lasting beauty to your yard or patio. Poinsettias grow well in protected areas throughout South and South Central Texas.

The poinsettia plant will go into a rest period sometime in mid-January, says Everett Janne, landscape horticulturist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. At this time it will shed its colored bracts and leaves. When this occurs, gradually reduce watering and move the plant to a cool location where the temperature will remain between 45 and 55 degrees F. Do not allow the soil ball around the plant to become too dry but avoid excessive moisture.

After the danger of frost has passed plant the poinsettia directly in the yard, suggests Janne. Cut the plant back to three to six inches in height and plant it at the same depth as it was in the pot. The poinsettia should have a fertile, well-drained soil preferably having a pH of 6 to 7. Being a semi-desert plant, poinsettias will shed their leaves if the soil becomes too dry.

To produce a compact bushy plant, Janne recommends, pinching out the tips of the new growth each time shoots reach four to six inches in length. Repeat this procedure until the middle of August.

Since the poinsettia is a short-day plant, it will not set flower buds and produce the colorful bracts until the short days of fall arrive. If the plants are grown in an area where electric lights are used at night, they will not form flower buds and colorful bracts.

Poinsettias are susceptible to damage

DRIED FRUITS — Dried fruits offer several advantages, remind Extension home economics specialists at Texas A&M University. They need little storage space, are relatively light in weight, and pack well for lunches and trips. They can also be eaten without cooking.

by mealy bugs, spider mites, aphids or other sucking insects. Using the insecticide at stronger rates will cause malformed leaves and burning, adds Janne.

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'It is more blessed to give than to receive' is true story of Christmas

BY FRED WHITE, EVANGELIST
East Side Church of Christ

This is indeed a wonderful season of the year. There is a smile on almost every face you meet, and a friendly voice thrills your heart as it cries out: "Have a joyful holiday season and a happy New Year." It seems that this is a glimpse of the Spirit of Christ! It would be wonderful if this same spirit could be manifested every day of every year. What a wonderful world this would be to live in!

Have you ever wondered just what makes this a joyful time? Is it just the spending of our money and the giving and receiving of gifts? No! I don't think so. But rather, this joy comes to people during the Christmas season because, for a moment they forget themselves and begin to give some of themselves to others. They come out of their protective shell and decide to be a blessing to others.

Our Lord once said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." (Acts 20:35). The meaning of our Lord's words becomes clear as we see the expression on a child's face as he or she opens that special gift. This blessedness is also felt when throughout the year we extend a helping hand and lift up the downtrodden. To give becomes a blessing because to give is to be Godlike.

Isn't it strange that during this season when men claim to honor the birth of the

Son of God that many are paying homage to the devil. So many celebrate Christmas by hitting the bottle until they fall into a drunken stupor, or they engage in some activity that they would be ashamed to invite the Lord to engage in. Yes, it's sad but true — many seek happiness in the wrong places.

Some seek happiness in getting: getting things, getting power, getting prestige, getting popular and still others by getting drunk. We are living in an age when most of us get just about everything we want, when we want it, and therefore, become disappointed when we don't get exactly what we think we should get for Christmas. In most cases we get more than we deserve regardless of what we get.

If the Lord blessed us with just what we deserve, I wonder just how merry a Christmas most of us would really have. Christmas has become so commercialized in our day of prosperity that many just take it for granted. I wonder just how many expensive gifts are purchased, not out of a feeling of love, but rather out of an expectation of an elaborate gift in return. These faulty attitudes take much of the joy out of what would otherwise be a joyful season!

Have you ever noticed how some strive to find happiness in going? They go to places of amusement such as parties, shows, ballgames, etc., (all of these things are good within themselves — providing

they are wholesome recreation and are not used as ends within themselves, but rather means to a more important end). Others go on trips: maybe it's a vacation, or perhaps a daydream, or it just might be a trip on L. S. D. or some other kind of drug.

All of these things will bring a form of happiness, but this happiness is deceitful! It is destined to last for a short time and then it vanishes away. Often, the after-effects leaves one more miserable than he ever remembers being before. What men really need is Jesus Christ — for He alone can provide happiness which is eternal.

To live on the getting level is to be no better than an animal. Such a life is not really living at all, it's merely existing! There are certain things we must really live, we must be willing to give. Give of our time, money, intellect, and energy in serving God through serving our fellow-man. True happiness is that divine quality that characterized a person who is at peace with himself, his neighbor and his God. A condition absent in so many lives today.

It's my prayer that each of you will so live in your relationship with God that you will indeed be a blessing to your fellowman, and find a sense of that inner joy within your heart which is indispensable for successful living. May you have a joyful holiday and a happy New Year.



ENGAGED . . .

MR. AND MRS. DEAN M. NICHOLS of Morton have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of daughter, Deborah Jo, to Kenney Palmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Palmer. The couple plan to be married January 15 in the First United Methodist Church in Morton.

A maximum of 3,900 upper-division (junior and senior) transfer students will be accepted in the summer and fall of 1972 at The University of Texas at Austin.

Yule season emphasize 'world as beautiful place'

BY REV. REX L. MAULDIN
First United Methodist Church

One Christmas Guideposts had an article called "Isn't The World A Beautiful Place!" It was the story of a 6 year old boy and his parents.

Both his Mother and Father were blind and deaf. Only the little boy had normal sight and hearing. In that article the story of their lives was revealed. They told of their struggles to raise the boy in spite of their handicaps. At the close of the article the Mother wrote: "The most exciting part of each year is Christmas. It is then we hear from friends we didn't even know we had. Isn't the world a beautiful place!"

Pensioners 72 years old and older on Veterans Administration rolls during two consecutive years no longer have to file annual income questionnaires, but still must report changes in income.

Hospital care for veterans who have regular need of an "artificial kidney" is available at 40 of the Veterans Administration's 165 hospitals, the agency announced recently.

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As I thought about Christmas I did not have the same feeling the hustle and distraction of too do in too little time. I almost one pastor who said in disgust on "Let's do away with Christmas to the world we don't need your selfish celebration." But then I read the story of the blind parent the six year old boy and my father restored in the real meaning of Christmas. That meaning is centered in Jesus at the basis of Christmas. A celebration was held one year in a famous hall for a former Hollywood star now grown old. She arrived one night of the celebration to be given honor but went unnoticed by the of those who were participating program. Some even brushed her and she wandered through the theater alone. A celebration is not but she scarcely noticed.

On Christmas, this day of day of nights, let us not be guilty of aside into the wings of our lives. He is what Christmas is all about this year I propose we dedicate to Jesus. Let Him be exalted in us, in the churches, in the centers lives. Let us celebrate His birth. His coming into the world.

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 DECEMBER 2-3-4 — Friona Tournament
 DECEMBER 10 — Farwell Dome
 DECEMBER 11 — Portales Dome
 DECEMBER 14 — Abernathy There
 DECEMBER 16-17-18 — Denver City Tournament
 DECEMBER 20 — Levelland Here
 DECEMBER 21 — LCHS Here
 DECEMBER 28-29-30 — Caprock Tourney Lubbock

DISTRICT GAMES

JANUARY 4 — Floydada Here
 JANUARY 7 — Olton Here
 JANUARY 11 — Lockney There
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 JANUARY 18 — Littlefield Here
 JANUARY 21 — Friona There
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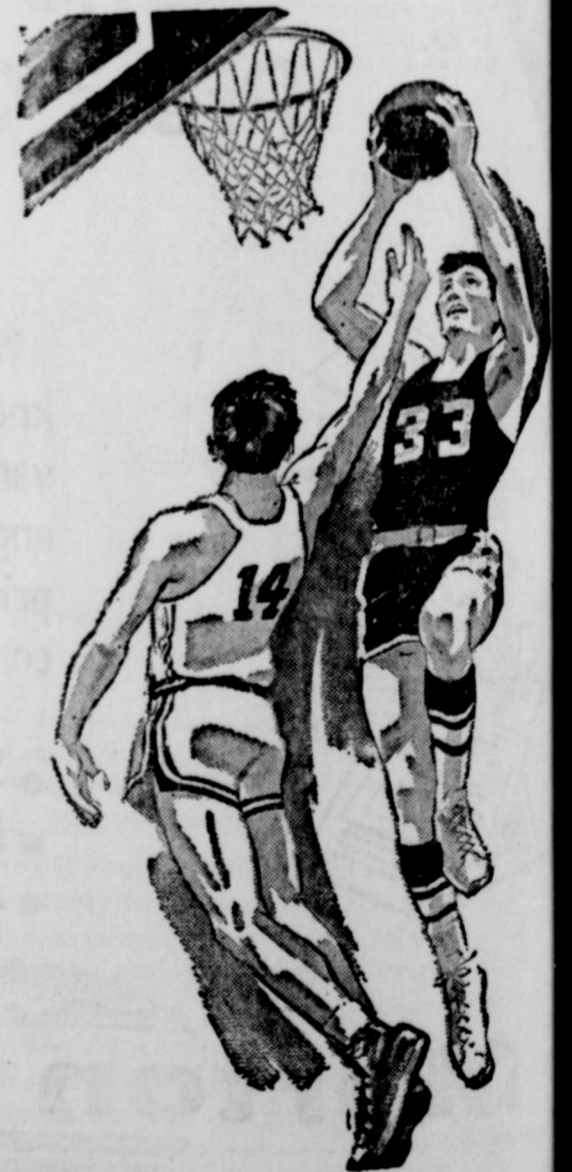
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 "With the set-aside program, farmers
 ...can decide what and how much to plant
 ...on their farms. The only crops under
 ...restricted plantings are peanuts, rice, tobac-
 ...co, extra long staple cotton, and sugar-
 ...cane," Key said.
 Notices of cotton and wheat allotments
 ...and feed grain bases plus projected yields,
 ...and payment rates along with leaflets on
 ...the various voluntary farm programs offer-
 ...ed in Cochran County, have been mailed
 ...to area farmers.
 "If farmers have any other question on
 ...program participation, County ASC Commit-
 ...tee and County ASCS Office officials
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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

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WINTER WONDERLAND . . .

THERE'S NO WAY that this can be Morton, Texas . . . It's just too darned pretty! However, there is no way around it — there 'tis. A thawing trend had already set in when this photo was taken of a very beautiful land-

scaped yard on East Grant following a recent snow. A few lights on the evergreen tree and we would have the prettiest Christmas tree ever.

Cotton . . .

from page one
 28½ cents to 31 cents per pound for any cotton within grade.
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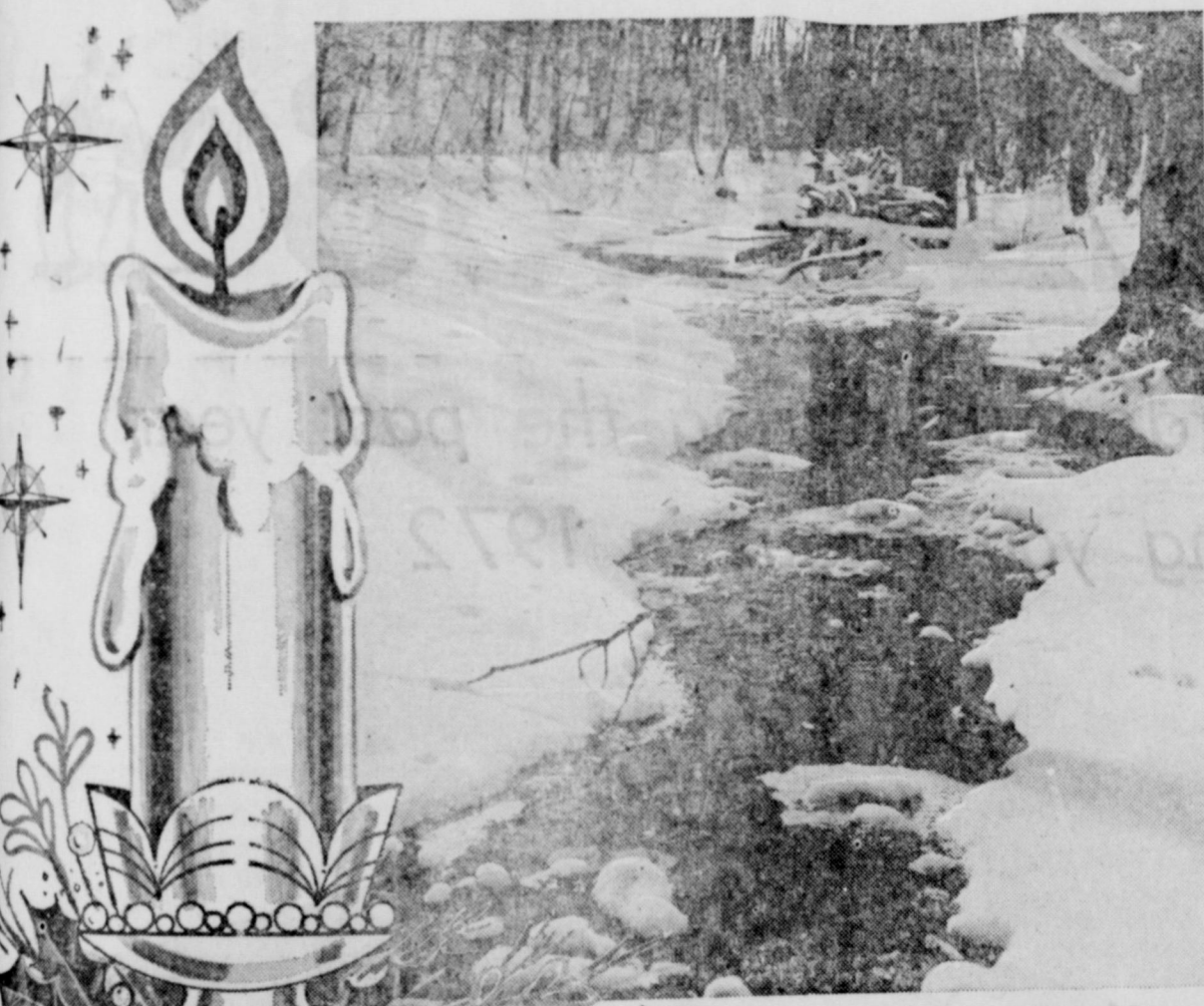
FREEING FOODS — Maintain strict sanitation in preparing any food for the home freezer, advise Extension foods and nutrition specialists. Keep all food to be frozen and everything that touches it — clean.

JOYOUS
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Real spirit of Christmas found only in the Bible

BY FAHER DAVID GREKA
 St. Ann's Catholic Church

During the past few weeks most of us have been caught up in the Christmas rush . . . sending cards, buying presents, trimming trees, hanging lights and decorations, office parties, buying a turkey, etc. As the Birthday of Our Lord approaches let's clear our minds of these absorbing details and focus on the beautiful message of St. Luke's Gospel . . . "A Saviour has been born to you . . . an infant."

"A Saviour . . ." Christmas tells us how God is saving us. He wants to be a saviour to all people. To all those who are afraid. After his crucifixion the apostles were huddled in the upper room behind closed doors but he came to them saying "Peace be to you."

He can bring peace to the father who fears unemployment, to the manager who fears the possibility of another strike. Fear paralyses. Peace frees a person to produce more confidently.

He wants to be a saviour to those with economic problems. The fishermen in the Gospels who were having economic problems turned to Christ and he told them "Launch out into the deep, and let your nets down for a catch." The result was more than a boat load which meant food

and clothing for their families. The economy of the area was given a needed boost.
 A saviour to those who are hungry. He fed over 5,000 with a few loaves and fishes. The hungry of the world today can be fed if we develop and distribute the resources that God has made available to us.

A saviour to those who are sinners. Christ brought "peace" to the woman being stoned for adultery. He can do the same today to the man or woman who has been unfaithful to his marriage partner.

On Christmas a saviour is born to us. Let us involve our lives with it's joys and problems in the mystery of His birth.

Indians . . .

from page one

Patton who had 13 points. Dukes was Levelland's top scorer with 22 points. Tuesday night the Indians battled the Lubbock Christian Eagles in a preview of the opening round game for the two squads in next week's Caprock Holiday Tournament in Lubbock. The Morton squad fought back from an early first quarter deficit to gain a 56-42 victory.

A big third period spurt which combined a tenacious press with the outside bombing of Patton brought the Tribe to a 39-31 lead after they had been down at halftime by a 21-20 margin. The press was even more effective the last quarter and the Indians were able to gain several unmolested shots and rolled the score to its final reading of 56-42.

Patton continued his hot shooting to pour in 21 points to lead all scorers.

The Indians will take a rest from game activity until next Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. when they take on these same LCHS Eagles in Caprock Tournament action. If the Tribe wins that game they will take on the winner of the Ralls-Roosevelt tilt in a Wednesday affair, and should they be victorious in that game they will play in the championship game Thursday night, where it is quite possible that the competition could be the Dimmitt Bobcats. The Bobcats are the defending champions in the tournament and they will be favored along with the Indians to gain a spot in the finals.



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Home safety is stressed during the holiday season

Accidents never take a holiday — not even at Christmas. Fire safety deserves special attention during the holidays when additional fire hazards may be created with combustible trees and decorations or faulty lighting sets. Careful attention to a few simple safety suggestions will help keep your holiday safe and happy, reminds Wayne Keese, Extension agricultural engineer.

A live, green tree is a symbol of the beauty and joy of Christmas, but a dry tree is a fire hazard. Select a fresh-looking and firm needled tree, suggests Keese. Saw off the base of the tree at least one inch above the original cut, stand the tree in water, and keep it in water until it is taken down. Check the water level daily. Be sure to place the tree away from all sources of heat — fireplaces, radiators or other heaters.

Don't rely on "do-it-yourself" flameproofing treatments, cautions the engineer. Tests indicate that some of the coatings available in aerosol cans are partly effective if the coating is thick enough. In short, there is no satisfactory home treatment which will retard fire in Christmas trees.

Artificial trees should be clearly marked as made of slow burning materials. If the tree has "built-in" lighting, look for the Underwriters' Laboratories (UL) label. Use only indirect lighting on metal

trees to avoid the possibility of electric shock.

Check lighting strings for loose connections, broken sockets and frayed insulation. Replace lighting sets with UL-labeled equipment. Bulbs made in the United States are usually safest as some imported bulbs may have dangerous hot spots. Outdoor lighting should be UL-approved for outdoor use. Reese emphasizes to always turn off all decorative indoor lighting when you leave the house or retire for the night.

Use noncombustible materials metal, glass and asbestos — for decorations wherever possible. Cotton batting, flock and decorating paper should be flameproofed. Keep natural evergreen decorations away from candles, the fireplace and other heat sources. Don't use polystyrene foam candle holders or polystyrene decorations near lighted candles.

Remove combustible gift wrappings as soon as possible and place them in a covered metal trash can.

Finally, never leave children alone or without proper supervision, advises Keese. Be especially careful to keep matches and cigarette lighters out of their reach during the holiday period when your home contains more "fire hazards" than usual. Have a family escape plan for use in case fire does strike and be sure doorways and stairs are not blocked by the tree or other holiday decorations.

Stuffings are important part of traditional turkey feasts

The holiday season kindles memories of fathers and sons watching football games, and mom in the kitchen preparing the traditional family feast of turkey and stuffing, reminds Sally Springer, Extension

foods and nutrition specialist at Texas A&M University.

Most families consider stuffings for the bird as important as the turkey itself, Miss Springer says. Family favorites include many different stuffings, such as bread, cornmeal, onion oyster, cranberry, nut, Hawaiian and sausage stuffing. Some even combine stuffings, with scoops of one type in front of the turkey, and scoops of another behind it.

Whether or not you put stuffing in the bird or cook it separately is again an individual choice, she notes. The bird cooks faster if it is unstuffed, but many people enjoy the flavor of stuffed turkeys.

If you do stuff the bird, estimate about one-half cup of stuffing per pound of bird, Miss Springer says. The bird should be stuffed just before roasting. Fill the body cavity lightly so stuffing will have room to expand. Extra stuffing can be baked in a separate pan for about an hour.

Remember, she points out, bacteria grow when food is neither very hot nor very cold, so put the turkey in the oven immediately after stuffing.

Cook the stuffed bird until the stuffing temperature reaches at least 165 degrees, she continues. The internal temperature of the thigh should be between 180-185 degrees F., whether or not the cavity is stuffed.

It is very important that left-over stuffing be removed from the turkey first before being refrigerated or frozen, the specialist advises. Cooked poultry may be safely frozen in a home freezer at 0 degrees F. for up to 6 months. Use cooked poultry and stuffing stored in the refrigerator within 1-2 days; flavor deteriorates in poultry if held under poor storage conditions for too long a time.

Help one another my children



Help one another, my children . . . Help one another, not only at this joyous time of the year, but throughout the year, and for ever and ever.

Help is defined by the dictionary as to aid or assist, and you will need aid and assistance throughout your lives. We are not speaking of monetary help, although you may need that at times, but of moral and spiritual help. Be free with your help to each other, and do not be afraid to accept help when needed.

This holiday season will, at times, be a sad one for you and members of your family, because it is the first one in which one of your Grandpas will be missing. You will have to be satisfied with memories of past Christmases when he was with us. However, my children, take solace that Grandpa will be looking down upon us from his place in heaven, and joining us in spirit. If you close your eyes and listen real closely, you most likely will hear Grandpa's laughter and sense his presence and excitement.

When you pray at this Christmas-time don't forget to include Grandpa in them, asking God to take good care of him.

Help one another to understand the true meaning of Christmas—that the Christ-child was sent to earth nearly two thousand years ago to guide all of us. The teachings of the Man whose birthday we honor have withstood onslaught after onslaught, and they will remain with mankind as long as mankind exists.

When the entire world accepts the teachings of the King of Kings, people will live in peace and harmony. But, my children, this will never happen because there will always be doubters and non-believers.

Feel compassion for these doubters and non-believers, for they will not have a complete life, nor will they know happiness in its complete form.

Help one another to spread joy, not only during this holiday season, but throughout the year. You are now anxiously awaiting the visit of Santa

Claus and the excitement of Christmas Day. May you always be thrilled and excited — and have faith that good things will prevail.

It has been said that Christmas is for children, but we would like to qualify that statement just a bit. Christmas is for all of us, and although it may seem as though children get the most enjoyment out of the holiday, the parents of these youngsters are just as happy because their children are happy.

Help one another to know and understand the love your parents have for you. Your presence makes our house a home, and without your joy and exuberance our days would not be complete.

This is the eighth Christmas for one of you, and the fifth for the other, and the happiness you have brought your mommie and daddy make our cup runneth over.

Have fun on Christmas Day, my children, and don't forget to thank God for His presence among us.

Merry Christmas, little ones.

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 7 years old. Please Bring me a Baby Tender Love and some dishes.

Love, Tammy Smith

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me some dishes, a book to read, and a game. I am eight years old.

Love, Lily Grado

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a hot wheels-track. I have been good.

Love, Harvey Berlanga

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a big doll, four little dolls, some dishes and a game.

Love, Elida Alvarez

Dear, Santa, Claus,
Please, bring me a bike, a gun, and some new clothes.

Love, Robert Butler



JOYOUS HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Willingham Gins
Red & Gary

Accent on health

Someone mentions Christmas, and the first thing that usually comes to mind is happy times around the Christmas tree.

But the holiday season quite often turns into the most dangerous time of the year. The Texas Health Department would like to put in a plug for a little common sense this Christmas.

Today, accidents loom as the nation's Number One threat to babies and children. Each year about 16,000 youth under age 15 die, and about 17 million are seriously injured as a result of accidents.

Surprisingly, about four million people receive disabling injuries and some 30,000 are killed in accidents in the home alone. The Christmas season is a prime time for one of the four million yearly home accidents to happen. People are in a festive mood and simply forget the dangers just waiting to claim them.

One of the booby traps facing your family may be the toys you purchase for your child. The Child Protection and Toy Safety Act, passed by Congress late in 1969, empowered the U. S. Food and Drug Administration to ban the distribution and sale of hazardous toys, particularly those that present electrical, thermal, or mechanical dangers.

Many are unsafe. Of the 150,000 different toys and games on the market this year, the F.D.A. last month banned 150

hazardous toys and dolls. Most US-made playthings have excellent safety records; a greater danger is posed by imported toys that are often poorly-made imitations of American models.

There are many other potential hazards every family should be aware of.

Mistletoe is fine when cast in its traditional Christmas-time role, but brewing a tea of mistletoe berries is not — repeat, is not part of that role. The Texas Health Department has documented evidence of a death following the drinking of mistletoe berry tea. It came ten hours after the victim drank the brew.

Who does such thoughtless things? More people than you would expect. There are more than the usual hazards to life and health around the American home during the Christmas season, all capable of putting a damper on festivities. Some kill, some seriously sicken the unwary.

VA employs many veterans of Vietnam

The Veterans Administration now employs more than 11,500 Vietnam veterans, Jack Coker, VA Regional Office Director at Waco reported today.

Coker said most of the new employees work in the agency's hospitals as nursing assistants, medical technicians, food service employees, drug and alcoholism counselors, and in many other categories.

The total, he added, includes nearly 5,500 hired under Veterans' Readjustment Appointments since the order establishing these was signed by the President March 26, 1970.

permitted VA hospitals and regional offices to hire Vietnam veterans on the spot without taking the Civil Service examination for jobs in grades GS-1 through GS-5. Salaries for these grades range from \$4,326 to \$6,938 per year.

There is an Old World belief that ghosts are free to roam about on earth from St. Thomas' Eve, Dec. 20, until Christmas Eve.

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a B-B gun, and a bike. I am a good boy. Thank-you
Raymundo Tarango

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a reord player, and a crazy kar. I want a little piano, and some crayolas. I want a trampoline.
Love Hilda Hinojos

Dear Santa, Claus
I want a Vrrroom I want a rifle I want a B-B gun I want some pistols. I want some clothes. With all Love
Bruce Crowley hank you

Dear Santu Claus.
I want a radio and a train.
Love Donnie B Merritt

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope you will, bring me a cowboy hat and some guns, boots, a bell a, Mickey Mouse? watch racing car ?with a road and a, box of crayols. I hope you will? bring me The toys.
Thank you Ruben Guajardo

Dear Santa Claus, I have been good. I want dingo boots and clothes. B-B gun goodby Santa Claus I like you Santa
Charlie Martinez

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a baby tender-love, tables and chairs, crayolas, trampoline, barbie, and a picture maker, Action, and a wagon.
Love, Lisa Gay Zuber

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a mini-bike. Also I would like to have a train. I try to be good. Forgive me when I'm not.
Love, Lynn Hoffman

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been very good. Please bring me A Live Action P.J., A Barbie with grow'n Pretty hair, Timey Tell, Witch! Witch!, And a Velvet, Picture Maker
Love, Stacy Greener

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike, a Baby Tender-Love.
Love, Denise White

Dear Santa,
I want a Bicycle, a green one.
Thank You, I am a good boy
Saul Acosta

Dear Santa Claus
Please I want a minibike I am a good boy
Leonardo Soliz

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a play telephone, and a doll, and a little doll for my baby. My little brother wants a Bicycle.
Thank You. Bonnie Johnson

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a green Bicycle and a b-b gun.

and a Vrrroom. I Love you, Santa
Ramiro Orozco

Dear Santa Claus
I hope I have been a good girl, bring me a watch, Baby Tender-Love a bike I hope your rein-deers are this Christmas, Love Cristy Cassa
P.S. Also a Bible.

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a doll, sleepin and a trampoline.
Rachael Kern

Dear Santa Claus
Please bring me a doll, with a and a carrying case, and doll clothes have been a good girl. Thank you
Sharon Lynch



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Morning Worship Second
and Fourth Sundays 11:00 a.m.
H.M.S. 4:00 p.m.
Wednesdays—
Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Van Cash, Preacher
S.W. 2nd and Taylor

Sundays—
Bible Class 10:00 a.m.
Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

Wednesdays—
Midweek Bible Class 8:00 p.m.

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FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Rex Mauldin, Minister
411 West Taylor

Sundays—
Church School Session 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship Service 10:55 a.m.
Evening Fellowship Program 5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

Second and Fourth Monday
Wesleyan Service Guild 7:30 p.m.

Tuesdays—
Women's Society of Christian Service 9:30 a.m.

Each Second Saturday,
Methodist Men's Breakfast 7:00 a.m.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Paul McClung, Pastor
202 S. E. First

Sundays—
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:55 a.m.
Morning Service KRAN 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

Tuesdays—
Helen Nixon W.N.U. 9:30 a.m.

Wednesdays—
Graded Choirs 7:30 p.m.
Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.
Church Choir Rehearsal 8:30 p.m.

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SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
Gilbert Gonzales
N. E. Fifth and Wilson

Sundays—
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Evangelistic Service 7:30 p.m.

Tuesdays—
Evening Bible Study 8:00 p.m.

Thursdays—
Evening Prayer Meeting 8:00 p.m.

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EAST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST
Fred White, Minister
704 East Taylor

Sundays—
Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Worship 10:45 a.m.
Worship 7:30 p.m.

Wednesdays—
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I have been very good but some time I have been very bad to my brother. I wish I had some guns for Christmas.
Your friend, Carlos Fuentes

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a E.Z. Bake Oven and a freezer and baby Tender Love and a Timey Tell. That is all. I just want four thing for Christmas.
Your friend, Margaret Hernandez

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been very good. Please bring me a Screaming Demons, a Smash-up-Derby and a Choperoo.
Your friend, Darron Dixon

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good. I want a ring. I want some dolls. I want Timey Tell. I want an Oven.
Your friend, Sylvia Qutana

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good. I have been very good to my Teacher. Will you bring me a big Wheel and Timcy Tell.
Your friend, Vanessa Evans

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good. I want some sizzlers cars and juice machine. I want a watch too and a new bike.
Your friend, Kent Burleson

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been very good. I want a Choperoo for Christmas and a Mean Mountain.
Your friend, Carlos Hinojos

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good. Please bring me a Rumber's Mean Mounta'n set, a Demon Smash-up-Derby set, a Joe search for the mummy's, a Ben Bogle, a Santa Claus, a Mean Mountain, a Miss Beasley and Tim-
Your friend, Pat Howard

Dear Saint Nick,
I have been very good. I hope Rudolph has been very good too. I hope that you like this letter very much. I want a Dallas Cowboys helmet. Most of all I want a tramoline I want a Smash-up Derby too.
Love, Richard

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a truck, a police car, and an airplane.
Your friend, Peter Honesto

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good. I want a Smash-up Derby set. I want a Screaming Demons Mean Mountain set. I want a G I Joe and a Johnny West.
Love, Marty Williams



SEEN OFTEN IN MORTON . . .
THE ABOVE PACK of loose dogs could be a serious hazard, especially to small children, if any one of them should contract rabies. The size of the dog makes no difference when one carrying the dread disease bites a person. Morton has a leash law, but as these dogs attest, it is not being enforced.



Greetings

We wish to extend our holiday greetings to you and your family as you gather in celebration.
Thank you for your loyal support.

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THE INFORMED CONSUMER

BY CRAWFORD C. MARTIN
Attorney General of Texas



When you receive unordered merchandise through the mails, do you know your legal rights? A law passed by the Sixty-first Texas Legislature in 1969 provides that where unsolicited goods are delivered to a person, he has the right to refuse to accept delivery of the goods and he is not bound to return the goods to the sender. If such unsolicited goods are either addressed to or intended for the recipient, they shall be deemed a gift and the recipient may use them or dispose of them in any manner without any obligation to the sender.

There are three exceptions to this law — first, when the goods are sent due to a bona fide mistake, and the sender has the burden of proof to show the error. Second, the law does not apply to goods which have been substituted for goods ordered. Finally, the act does not apply to goods ordered by the recipient.

In summary, if a consumer received merchandise which he did not order he can refuse the goods or treat the goods as a gift. The consumer is under no legal obligation to pay for the merchandise received in this fashion.

A related area is the negative option plan employed by Book and Record Clubs whereby an individual signs a contract with the club and items are automatically sent to him. Under this negative option arrangement, the consumer is obligated to pay for all items received unless he returns a card to the company indicating his refusal to purchase the item. The common complaint with this plan is the failure of the consumer to realize his legal obligation if he fails to periodically notify the company of his wishes. In addition, some companies do not allow a sufficient time period to receive the option cards prior to mailing the merchandise. The consumer who signs up with one of these companies should understand his legal obligations under the contract and be alert when the option notices are received so that merchandise is not inadvertently ordered.



The Blessings of the Season to Our Friends
Herb's Gulf

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Dear Santa,

I am nearly three years old. Please bring me some toys I can play with. Thank you, Eric Pruitt

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been very good. Please bring me a BBgun for Christmas. Your friend, Larry Matta

OLD-TIME GREETINGS



Hope Your Holiday is Bright

Bill's Food Store
& Employees



To our customers at this festive season we wish all blessings.

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A HEARTY THANKS FOR YOUR WARM PATRONAGE

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Twelve SPC coeds chosen as 'presidential hostesses'

Twelve South Plains College coeds have been chosen for Presidential Hostesses. This is a new group for the college to further enhance its colorful history.

The six freshmen and six sophomore girls will begin their duties at the beginning of next semester. Their duties are to be available at the College President's request for various appearances and functions; to attend area high schools for college nights and other recruiting events; to serve as college hostesses for open houses, receptions and other special events; and to welcome dignitaries visiting the college campus.

The girls were selected from a group of 54 originally presented for consideration by college departments and Student Senate. These names were turned over to a reviewing committee, consisting of Mrs. Sherley Foster, Miss Paula Bell and Mrs. Gail Burrier, all SPC faculty members. The number was cut considerably by this committee before being submitted to the screening board, composed of Mrs. Carole Roberts, Mrs. Helen Roberts, Miss Bell and Mrs. Mary Shea. After studying and analyzing information presented by the reviewing committee the group interviewed each individual applicant. The finalists attended an informal tea attended by the Board, Dr. and Mrs. Marvin Baker, and others chosen by the President.

The girls' qualifications included personality, poise, appearance; informed concerning all areas of the college and community; able to relate to and communicate with people; maintain a grade point average of 2.75; willing to do some traveling and perhaps remaining on campus some weekends; and to be willing to attend charm sessions. Sophomores will be required to remain for the entire year and freshmen must return their sophomore year.

The girls chosen are: Cheri Butler, daughter of Duly and Mrs. Charlotte Butler of Minneapolis, Minnesota. She is a freshman and while in high school, she was selected as a member of the Hallmark singing group. She was also a member of the pep squad. She is co-captain of the South Plains College Tex-Anns.

Dusty Anne Hensley is a freshman from Sundown. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hensley, Jr. and participated in band, basketball, in high school. She was basketball captain and head cheerleader last year. She is a member of the Tex-Anns this year.

Kathie Trull, a member of the SPC Baker's Dozen singing group, is a freshman from McAdoo. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Trull, Kathie was a member of the National Honor Society, was named Miss Cotton of Crosby County and a member of the Junior Harmony Club. She is a member of the Mid-Management Club at SPC.

Debbie Hammerle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hammerle of Garland, is a freshman at SPC. She was a cheerleader three years, a member of the Student Council, Future Teachers Association and Beta Club. She was named Miss Garland Spirit award during her senior year in high school. She is a cheerleader and member of the Student Senate at SPC and was one of seven finalists for this year's Homecoming Queen.

Bobbie Jenice Robertson, a South Plains College cheerleader, is a freshman from Smyer. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Robertson. She was Miss Smyer High School, basketball captain, named Most Popular, Most Beautiful, and Student Council Vice-President in high school.

Phyllis Kay Blair of Levelland is a freshman and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Blair. She was Student of the Month, a member of F.T.A. and the National Honor Society, Spanish Club, Office Education Association vice-president and was the winner of the L.C.T.A. scholarship. She is a member of the Student Education Association and BSU and Tex-Anns at SPC.

Katherine Ann Neusom, a sophomore from Smyer, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Neusom. She was a member of FHA, Student Council President, voted Most Popular, Miss SHS and Homecoming Queen in high school. She also played basketball and was a cheerleader. At SPC she is a cheerleader and was recently named 1971-72 Homecoming Queen.

Kathy Kirkpatrick is a sophomore from Levelland. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Kirkpatrick and was a member of the drill team two years while in high school.

Ruth Anne Blankenship is a sophomore from Farwell and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Blankenship. In high school she was co-editor of the annual; secretary of National Honor Society, pep club, FHA, and Student Council. She received the Out-standing Teenager of America award.

Terri Gerik, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Gerik, is a sophomore from Pep. She was valedictorian of her class in high school, member of the basketball team and was Farm Bureau Queen.

Cindy Gann is a sophomore from Levelland. She was a cheerleader, treasurer of FTA, Homecoming Queen, member of National Honor Society, in high school. She has been on the Dean's Honor List and is a member of II Pizzicato at SPC.

Janet Setliff, a sophomore from Fort Worth, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Odell Setliff. In high school she was Most Beautiful, Football and Basketball Princess, member of National Honor Society and cheerleader.

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a car. I want an airplane. I want a basketball.

Your friend, James Earl Coleman

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been very good. I have been waiting for Christmas. I want a Kansas City football suit, a bicycle and a train set.

Your friend, Kelly Taylor

Dear Santa Claus

I've been good. Will you please be good to me. Will you bring me a cotton candy maker, a Madame Alexander doll. And some clothes. I've got to go now.

With love Stephanie Coleman.

Dear Santa Claus

I have been very good. I like dolls. They are pretty.

Love Norma F.

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a ring, watch, a bicycle, a Timey Tell and E.Z. Bake Oven.

Your friend, Debbie Hightower

Dear Santa,

I have been very good. Will you please give me a trampoline. I love you Santa

Love Maryann Gandy



It adds much to the enjoyment of the season to extend to our friends and customers our best wishes for a MERRY CHRISTMAS...

Silver's Butane and Employees

Merry Christmas

This sincere wish we heartily extend to you, our many loyal friends and customers.



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Our Christmas Blessings

Peace on earth, good will toward men.

Red Horse Service
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Season's Greetings



May true joy be yours this Christmas!

Atchison Jewelry
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May all our wonderful customers enjoy the very best of holidays!

Morton Packing Co.

provisions of the 1972 upland cotton program aimed at continuing the progress achieved this year — were announced last week by Secretary of Agriculture Clifford M. Hardin.

The provisions of the 1972 upland cotton program follow those of the 1971 program by giving farmers the opportunity to make better overall use of their land through interest of a balanced production of crops," Secretary Hardin said. "Cotton is moving toward an improved posi-

tion as evidenced by several encouraging factors now being realized with this year's crop. In the first year under the new cotton program, production is higher . . . about 500,000 bales more than last year; market prices are averaging more than 5 cents above 1970; and cotton income to farmers should be up nearly \$200 million."

The 1972 upland cotton program provides for a national base acreage allotment of 11,500,000 acres, a national aver-

age loan rate of 19.5 cents per pound, a preliminary set-aside payment rate of 15 cents per pound and a set-aside requirement of 20 percent of the farm base acreage allotment.

"Any cotton farmer may participate in the 1972 program by signing up and complying with the set-aside and conserving base requirements for his farm," Secretary Hardin said. "Also, through the set-aside provision cotton farmers will assist in the overall commodity supply adjustments authorized and contemplated by the Agricultural Act of 1970. As for cotton production in 1972, each participating farmer will have the opportunity to plant

the acreage he decides upon after study of the outlook for supply, demand, price and other factors, including alternative crops.

Availability of cotton payments and CCC loans on cotton produced will, of course, aid farmers in planning and carrying out crop production operations. Having had a year's experience with the set-aside program, farmers are expected to make more effective use of the program in 1972."

Simultaneously with his announcement of the 1972 upland cotton program, Secretary Hardin also announced the feed grain program for 1972 which is designed

to reduce feed grain supplies and increase net farm income.

Secretary Hardin said the feed grain and cotton programs for 1972 are being announced early this year to give farmers more time to make important decisions about planting and agricultural financing.

The national production goal of 12,949-

000 bales (standard bales of 480 pounds, net weight) is equal to the sum of the estimated domestic consumption and estimated domestic consumption and exports necessary to provide carryover stocks for market expansion, plus an adjustment year which begins August 1, 1972, plus an allowance of five percent of the estimated United States on July 31, 1973, equal to 50 percent of the average offtake for the 3 preceding marketing years.

The national base acreage allotment of 11.5 million acres is the same as for 1971 and is the acreage determined necessary, on the basis of the 1972 expected national yield, to produce an amount of cotton equal to the estimated domestic consumption during the 1972-73 marketing year, plus the 25 percent adjustment authorized to produce the national production goal and further adjustment to maintain adequate supplies.

The national average loan rate of 19.50 cents per pound applies to Middling 1-inch upland cotton (micronaire 3.5 through 4.9) net weight, at average location. The 1972 rate is the same as for 1971. After determining 90 percent of the acreage world price for such cotton for the 2-year period ending July 31, 1971, an adjustment was made to take into account the higher world prices in 1970-71. This adjustment is needed in order to keep U.S. cotton competitive and to retain an adequate share of the world market.

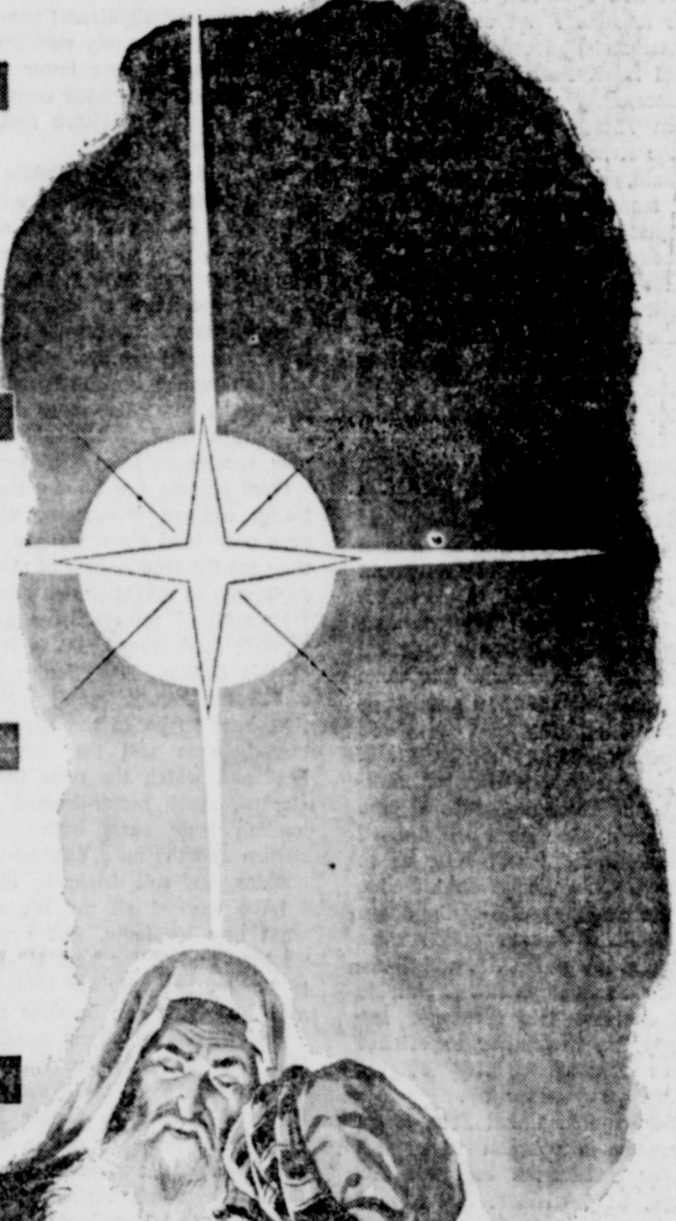
Loans available to program cooperators for different individual qualities will be based on the Middling 1-inch rate. A schedule of premiums and discounts for these various qualities will be issued at a later date. As in 1971, loans will be available to cooperators for a term of 10 months from the first day of the month in which the loan is made. Storage charges in excess of 60 days will be deducted from the loan proceeds.

The Agricultural Act of 1970 established the preliminary set-aside payment rate at 15 cents per pound. Such payment will be made to cooperators as soon after July 1, 1972, as is practicable.

The final set-aside payment, together with the national average market price for Middling 1-inch upland cotton, micronaire 3.5 through 4.9, in the designated spot markets during the August-December 1972 period must equal the higher of (1) 35 cents, or (2) 65 percent of parity as of the beginning of the marketing year, August 1, 1972. However, the payment will not be reduced if the rate as finally determined is less than the 15 cent preliminary rate. The payment is made on a quantity of cotton determined by multiplying the acreage planted within the farm base acreage allotment by the payment yield established for the farm.

More on cotton next week.

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We echo the prayer of millions throughout the world at this Holy Season . . . that soon there will be peace for all men.

Cochran Memorial Hospital District

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,
I forgot to tell you I wanted a Electric train set at Kiddie City. I won't be at my house I will be at my Grandma's house at Gruver Texas, I got a book at my that has toys When you come to Grandmas, you will find it the cheaks are what I won't for Christmas
Your friend, Jerel Murrah Lubbock, Texas.

Dear Santa,
How are you, fine I hope. I don't want to disapoint a bunch of of kids "not billy goats! Well Santa I'd like a football suit 105 lbs, a blue helmet med. High-impact plastic Shoulder Pads or silver blue jersey med. game pants with protective pads. Also I'd like a Table Top Billiards Table and a Miniture NFL-AFL Football Helmets.
Thank you yours truly, Kevin Key

Dear Santa
I Want a typewriter and a G.I. Joe and a camera, for Christmas, from Scott Wesley. Pam — Wants a Babby Tendar Love and a Barbie. She is my Sister, and can not write.

Dear Santa Claus,
Hi! My name is Howard Thomas Jr. My nick name is Champ. I am 3 years old. Santa I want a biclye a green one. I want a playgun with a hoelstir. I want a coat. I want some Black shoes. I want a Crazy Car. I want some clothes. I want my mommy a watch. I want my daddy a watch like mommy.
Your friend, Howard Thomas Jr. Merry Christmas Santa Claus!

Dear Santa Claus
I want a Julie. doll for christmas and I want a Easy bake oven and I want a some clothes for my doll and I want some clothes a black pants suit for christmas. I am 8 year old I am in the 3 grade Morton Texas Gen Delivery My teacher name is Mrs. Doty. I have been a good little girl.
Billie Ann Coleman

Dear Santa Claus,
Hello, My name is James Earl Coleman. I am in 2nd grade. My teacher's name is Mrs. Dulper. I want a airplane. I want a house. I want a biclye. I want some brown shoes. I have been a good boy. I want a Krazy Car. I want a basketball. Thank You Santa Claus.
Your friend, James Earl Coleman Have a Merry Christmas. Happy Christmas

Dear Santa Claus
I want a Minnie Bike and a hot Wheel set I an in the Third graed and I have been a good boy Lacy Robinson and I am 10 years old a please bring it
Lacy Robinson

Dear Santa:
I am a girl and I am 1 year and 11 months. I have been a nice little girl. This is what I want for Christmas a red wagon, baby tender love, and a stocking full of toys and candies. Please bring my brother Erine a mini bike and Freddy a rist watch. Say hello to the red nose reindeer from your friend:
Emma Gonzales

Wishing you the best of everything at Christmas-time and always!

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Christmas Greetings

to all our customers

Shop-Rite Shoes

Dear Santa Claus

I want a Malibu Barbie and a Sand Buggy and a Living Baby Tender Love with her clothes and a All Aluminum Cook and Bake set and Mystery Date game. Then my dog Barney wants a real Dog Bed. Good-by Santa Claus
Love Judy Mason

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been a good girl. I want Miss Beauty, and I want Tummy Tell and a E.Z. Bake oven. I like you very much.
Your friend, Norma Enriquez

ATTRACTIVE, inexpensive desk name plates. See samples at Morton Tribune.

Sensing the news

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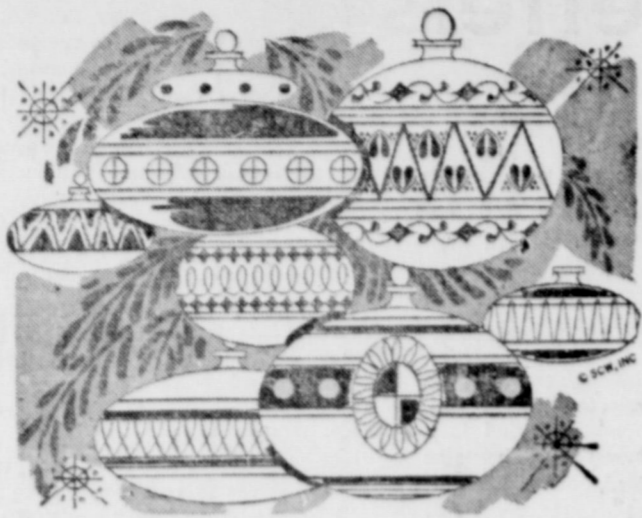
Dear Santa,

I want a stroller and a doll to fit in it. Also, a jukebox that plays Rose Garden.
Your friend, Gay Pruitt

Dear Santa,

I want some miniature cars, an outfit, and a robot.
Thank you, Mark Pruitt

GREETINGS



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Pearl's Nursing Home, Inc.



TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

Ben Franklin

Jimmy St. Clair & Employees

Current negotiations concerning the future of the Panama Canal could lead to another setback for the cause of freedom in this hemisphere.

Public attention has been focused on the Nixon administration's new Asian policy, which has resulted in expulsion of the free Chinese from the U.N. and American appeasement of Red China. But the U.S. is in danger of surrendering strategic advantage much closer to home. In Washington, many observers believe the Nixon administration is prepared to turn over much of the Panama Canal one to the Panamanians.

No need exists for such action. The United States purchased the Canal Zone and dug the canal. It has been generous, perhaps excessively so, with Panama. The U. S. has a right to the Canal Zone in perpetuity.

Control of the Canal Zone is one of the few strategic and political advantages the U.S. possesses in Latin America after a decade of retreat from a position of unquestioned power in this hemisphere. Indeed the Panama Canal is essential for interfleet mobility for major U. S. naval vessels. Effective operation of the canal wouldn't be feasible if an unstable, left oriented Panamanian government controlled the Canal Zone. Panama, unfortunately, is a notoriously unstable country.

Sen. Strom Thurmond (R-SC) recently pinpointed the strategic importance of the Panama Canal, saying: "As an artery of marine transportation, the Panama Canal enterprise became, and still is, a part of the coastline belonging to the United States. As such its exclusive control by the United States is necessary for national defense just as the control of the Chesapeake Bay or New York Harbor is necessary for national defense."

The senator added: "It is discouraging to report that negotiations are once again underway with Panama, even though the present government is a revolutionary regime with little prospect of stability and with no procedures for ratifying a new

It is shocking that U. S. officials would contemplate giving away a U. S. strategic advantage and throw away the vast sums American taxpayers have invested in the Canal one. Transfer of the Zone to Panama would deprive the United States of significant military and economic protection. It is doubtful that the U. S. could use the canal in a time of international crisis if an antagonistic regime were in charge in the Canal one. Indeed whoever controls the Canal Zone is in a position to exert leverage on all countries using the canal, especially the South American Countries whose goods must transit the canal to reach U. S. and European markets. Panama is not a suitable country to exercise this leverage. The world already has had bitter experience with another unstable country Egypt by controlling a key waterway.

Today, the Panama Canal Zone is an island of freedom in a region ridden with demagogues or totalitarian regimes. Central America, in particular, has a long history of petty dictatorships and violence. In World War II the free world narrowly avoided Axis political domination in Panama.

An American resident of the Canal Zone recently protested in a letter to the New York Times any sell-out of the U.S. control of the one, noting "the rule of terror under which the people of Panama exist." The author of the letter asked: "Is this the kind of life we are expected to live in the Canal Zone? Are we Americans, who have fought for freedom since the birth of our country, going to surrender now?"

Now is the time for the American people to let President Nixon know that they are opposed to any surrender of U. S. sovereignty in the Panama Canal one or any lessening of American control over the "Crossroads of the World." If the American people don't assert their convictions on this point, the U. S. security interest in the Panama Canal one may fare as the cause of the Free Chinese has fared at the hands of liberal advisers in the White House and State Department.

Welfare funds are being used to support prostitutes and drug addicts and finance hippie communes, according to testimony given at a Pennsylvania House of Representatives investigating committee hearing in Reading, Pa., last month.

That's only a segment of the national

scandal involving welfare. In several states, food stamps have been distributed to strikers. In New York State, thousands of employable welfare recipients have resisted efforts to put them to work.

It is no wonder that increasing numbers of informed Americans are indignant in the face of these and other revelations of misuse of the taxpayers' money.

Rep. Adriano Mastrangelo, in a recent report on welfare abuses in the Keystone State, cited the following situations:

"Public welfare funds were paid to a convicted prostitute for eight months because she sprained her ankle.

"Public welfare funds — \$132 a month per person — are being collected by a group of hippies who put the money in a common fund. One hippie went to Europe for five months but his relief payments were continued and his checks contributed to the common 'pot' by fellow hippies in his absence.

"Public welfare funds were paid to a woman living with an employed man not her husband."

In New York State, State Rep. John E. Kingston recently noted that there is data that indicates "significant numbers of persons failing to comply with the new work law." He wrote in a letter to The New York Times that "8,800 employable recipients (of welfare) have resisted efforts to put them to work."

The Food Stamp Act, Public Law 88-525, also has been used to aid the underserving. Last year, for example, food stamps were distributed to strikers at General Motors plants. The food stamps served as a subsidy to members of the striking United Auto Workers. Proponents of food stamp legislation are seeking expansion of the program which cost \$248 million in 1969 and which now costs more than \$2 billion a year. A total of 9.2 million Americans now receive this form of welfare aid.

Food stamps are among the most irritating welfare giveaways. Working citizens only read about welfare checks. But they see the free-loading of the food stamp recipients in neighborhood grocery stores.

Recently, I received several letters regarding food stamp abuses from readers of this column. Mrs. James E. Rowland of Chester County, Tenn., wrote:

"I hate to go to the supermarket and buy bologna and the cheapest ground beef and watch the ones that have the stamps, much better-dressed than I am, loading their carts with country ham, steaks, and the most expensive cakes and cookies, and soft drinks by the case . . . I have worked all my life and I don't want any handouts. But I am tired of working and giving part of what I make to the leeches who are better off than I am. Just what can be done about this?"

Unquestionably, many Americans share Mrs. Rowland's indignation. Their indignation will be all the greater when they learn of efforts by Senate liberals and the White House to obtain quick approval of welfare expansion legislation.

The Nixon administration is trying to get its hurtful Family Assistance Act out of the Senate Finance Committee as soon as possible. Sen. Abraham Ribicoff (D-Conn) has another enormously expensive welfare bill that he is pushing. His bill is backed by a coalition that includes the AFL-CIO, the League of Women Voters, Common Cause, and Americans for Democratic Action.

The promoters of increased welfare would do well to consider the fate of foreign aid legislation, another pet liberal project over the last two decades. Public dissatisfaction with the foreign giveaways finally resulted in defeat of the foreign aid bill. The same thing could happen to welfare legislation if the White House and senatorial liberals keep proposing new programs as election time draws close. A day of reckoning could come for both the White House welfare planners and Sen. Ribicoff's coalition.

The promoters of welfarism should realize that working Americans are sick of the domestic giveaways and want to tighten welfare requirements. The New York Assembly has realized that and approved a requirement that welfare recipients pick up their welfare checks at state employment offices. The Empire State now insists that able-bodied relievers make a serious effort to get a job.

No other Western democracy has the welfare mess in which the U. S. is involved.



OLD-FASHIONED HOLIDAY CHEER

Here's hoping that you and yours will know every happiness of this season.

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A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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Merry Christmas TO ALL OUR GOOD FRIENDS

It's always a pleasure to greet you and wish you the best of the season!

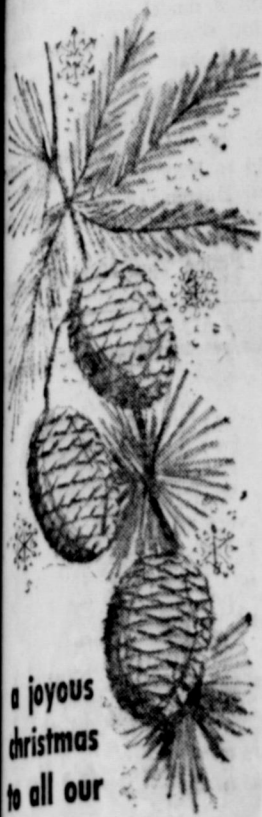
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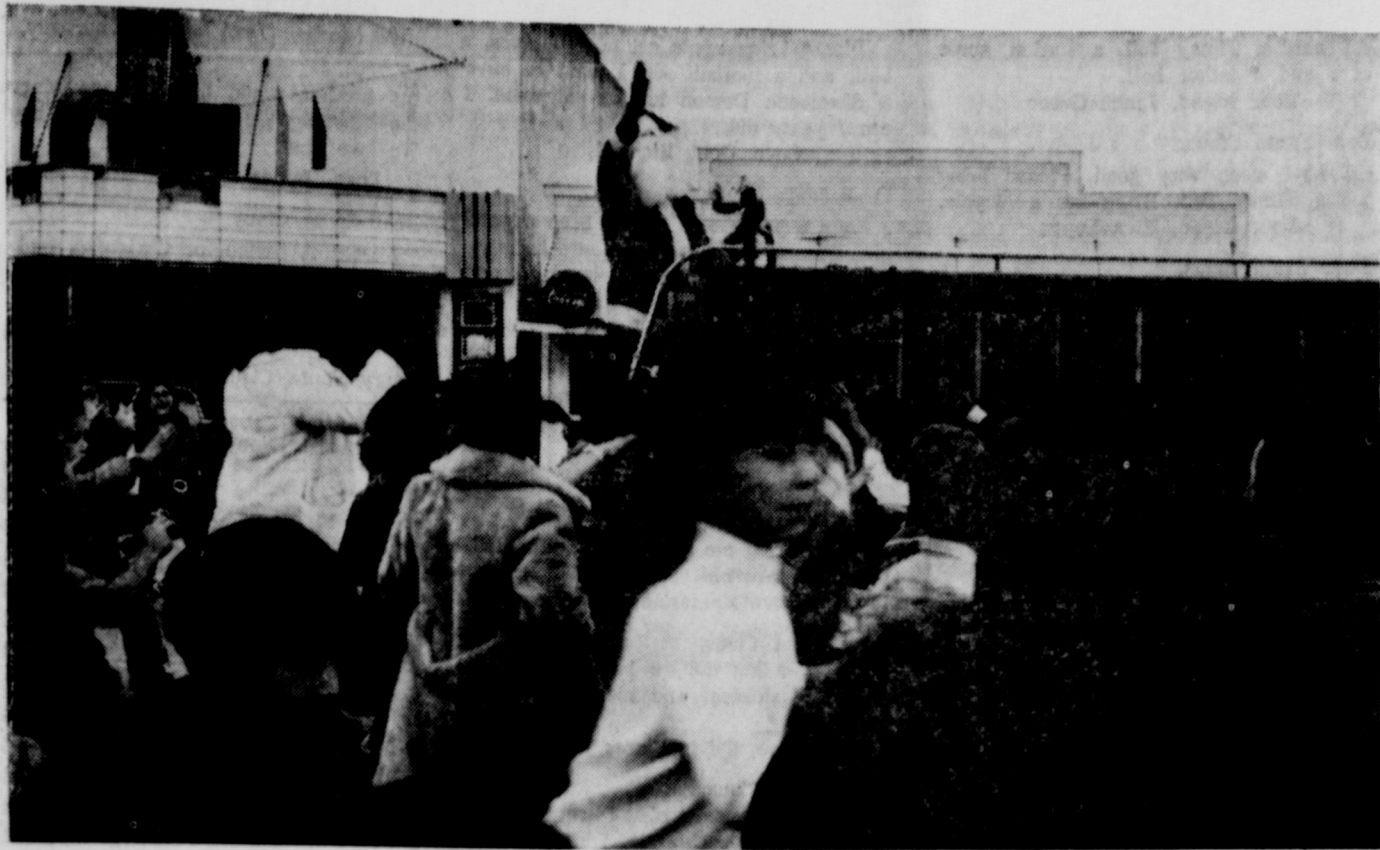
At this holy season, may we take the opportunity to wish you every blessing!

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a joyous christmas to all our patrons

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HE HAS THEIR ATTENTION . . .

SANTA DOESN'T NEED TO HALF TRY to get the undivided attention of the younger set as he proves above during the annual Christmas parade in Morton last week. He was easily the hit of the show despite the presence of the

beautiful floats and marching band. His costume and candy attracted flocks of kids as the parade followed its course through the main streets of the town.

Servicemen getting "early outs" before the end of the year who plan to start school under the GI Bill in January should apply for their certification as soon as possible if they wish to head off GI Bill payment delays.

Farmers should make management decisions

Farmers have many choices to make in the 1972 set-aside programs, emphasized Danny Key, Chairman of the Cochran County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) Committee.

First of all, he said, is the choice by farmers who have feed grain bases or wheat or cotton allotments on whether to participate in one or more of these voluntary programs. If a producer has a farm with feed grain bases and wheat and cotton allotments, he could participate in none, some, or all of the programs as he chooses, without penalty for non-participation.

For corn and grain sorghum farmers who decide to participate, another choice will be whether to sign up for voluntary set-aside up to 10 percent of their bases, and also whether to offer to set aside 5 or 10 percent more at the option of the Secretary of Agriculture.

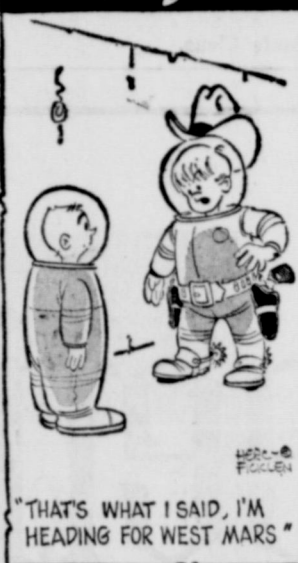
Barley producers who decide to participate will be choosing whether to offer voluntary set-aside up to 20 percent their farm base in addition to their qualifying 25 percent set-aside for participation.

Other choices to be made in relationship to program participation include decisions on: What crops to plant in view of potential farm yields and markets; what financing will be sought; whether to put in new farm storage facilities, buy new machinery, lease or buy more cropland; how to manage storage and market-

ing of previous-year crops; whether to plan for more intensive input per acre, in terms of fertilizers, herbicides, pesticides, land preparation, and crop cultivation.

"The set-aside farm programs are designed to give farmers as much latitude as possible, consistent with the aim of improving farm income. It means pro-

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Christmas Blessings

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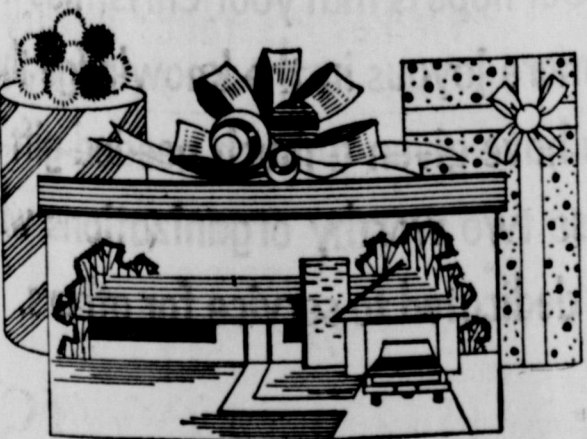
JOY AT CHRISTMAS



May your Christmas be bountiful, served with all of our blessings.

TicToc Restaurant & Drive-In

Rob and Loma Richards



May your home be blessed with all the joys of the Season! Merry Christmas!

Morton Insurance Agency



Peace on Earth

May the Holy Babe bless the family of man with lasting peace.

Our entire staff joins in wishing you a Christmas that is filled with peace and happiness!

Gwatney-Wells Chev.-Olds.

ducers make their own farm management decisions. The Government doesn't decide for them," Key said.

He added, "It also means for 1972 that a lot of decisions must be made this winter, since sign-up for the 1972 feed grain, wheat and cotton programs is set for January 17th through February 25th. Because of the options which the Secretary of Agriculture must decide on by

mid-March, that sign-up period will not be extended, and farmers who may want to participate should underscore it on their calendars right now.

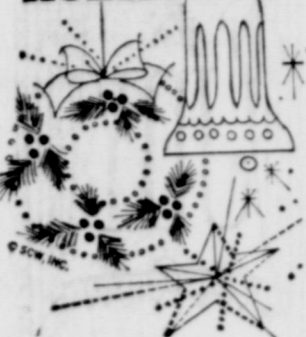
"As soon as official detailed program information is received in the county ASCS office, we will get it out to farmers via mail, meetings, and all news channels. Phone calls, visits and letters of inquiry from farmers will be welcome."



Season's Greetings

Wiley's Humble Station

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



Time again to say, have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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Merry Christmas TO ALL!



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Letters to Santa

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Screamer One bicycle. If you can't get me that I want a GI Joe. The bike has five speeds. I have been a good boy. love,
Mike Dewbre

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a wagon, and a barbie, record

player, and a table with four chairs.
Love Yolando Chavez

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a mini bike, guns, racing car, and B-Bgun. I am a good boy. Thank-You
Guadalupe Marquez

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a Timey Tell, a station, some cars and a tether ball.
Your friend, Janna Greer

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been very good. Please bring me a Timey Tell. Bring me a bicycle.
Your friend, Elva Lopez

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a mini bike, a gun, a G.I. Joe, and some new clothes.
Love, Mario Vasquez

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a big car, and a truck. I play cowboy and Indians. I would like a gun also.
Love, Freddie Garza,

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a drum, and a game too I am 7 years old.
Love, Billy Thomas

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 7 years old. Please bring me a big doll, a ball, a car, and a piano.
Love, Amanda Betts

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 7 years old I want a car and a big truck and a typewriter.
Love, Kenneth Orum

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 8 years old. I have been a good little girl. Please bring me a sleeping bag and a Twinky doll.
Love Kristy Hodge

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been wanting a go cart to ride in. Can you bring it to me? I have been good. I am 8 years old.
Love, Glen Fowler

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a big car, a ball a truck, and a game too. I am 9 years old.
Love, David Fuentes

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a big car, and a truck. I am 8 years old.
Love, Eddie Anzaldua

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a doll, a pair of shoes, and a game. I am 8 years old.
Love Ann McCarver

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a set of golf clubs, a ball, and a football set. I want to have a Skreemoo Demon and an airplane. I am 7 years old.
Love, Doug Richardson

Dear Santa Claus:
I am 8 years old. I have been a good girl. Please bring me a Juliette hairstyling salon, an identification bracelet, and a baking kit.
Love, Rebecca Lewis

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a big ball, four small dolls, and dishes. I am 8 years old, I have been good.
Love, Charlene Woods

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a bake set and a doll. I am 8 years old
Love Katherine Harvey

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a big doll, a book to read, a puppy, a stoking, and a ball. I am 7 years old.
Love, Sylvia Flores

Dear Santa Claus,
I am eight years old. I want a G.I. Joe and I want a bicycle. I have been a good boy.
Love Phillip Sinclair

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a big ball a toy car and a game.
Love, Ronnie Patton

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I do wish you would bring Me a Dapper Dan, Dressy Bessy, Radio, Rabbit & Purce. Please don't forget the other boys & girls.
I love you Dedra Lamar

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a baton, watch and Mrs. Beasley. I've been nice and I didn't cry yesterday. I love you.
Natalie Tucker

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Barbie doll, A Watch, and a table and chair set.
Thank you Shelly Chancey

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have an SSP Siamese Slingshot and a Big Wheel for christmas.

my brother would like to have Marvel the Mustang We have been good boy's We love you
Love. James to Jeff Waltrip

Dear Santa Claus
I want A barbie for Christmas and a sewing basket and some candy for my stocking too.
thank you Love Cynthia Dutchover

Deary Santa Claus

My Name is Sylvia I'm good I want a model sewing doll. And ket for sewing. There's a whole Things I want but I know that's can bring. Merry Christmas.
From Sylvia D.

P.S. Say hi to Mrs. Santa Claus say hi to Rudolf, Dasher, Dancer, Vixen, Blitzen, Danner Prancer, C

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May the holidays ring in happiness for you!

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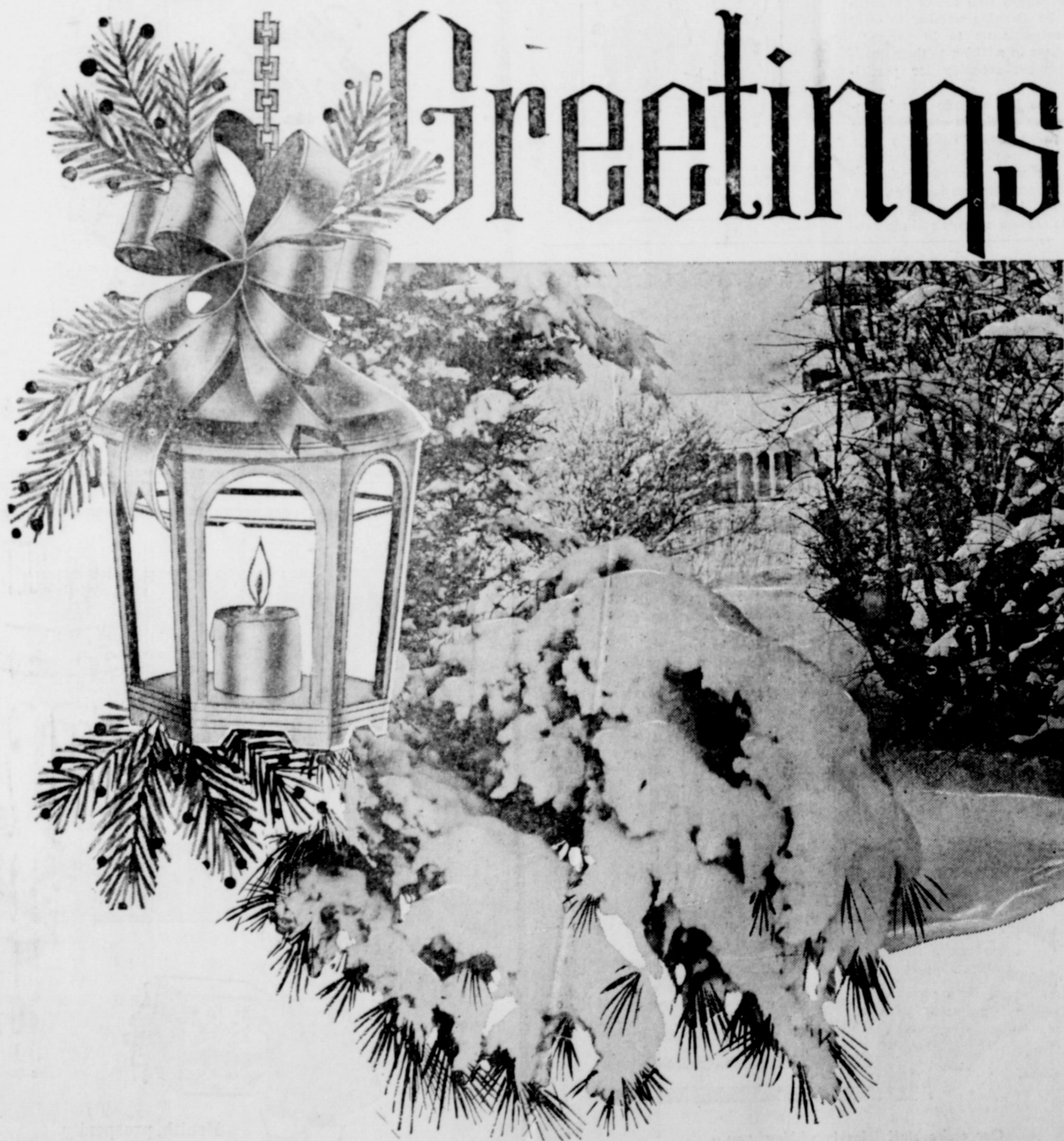
The Yuletide carols convey our sincere greetings!

John's Welding



A bright Christmas to our many friends!

Reeves Shamrock



As Christmas draws near, our thoughts turn to those who have gladdened the past seasons for us — our customers.

Being the season of giving to others, and in appreciation for your loyalty and support, we the officers, directors and employees of the First State Bank have made a donation, in your names, to Boy's Ranch at Pettit and to the Cochran Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. Your donations will be of substantial aid in carrying on their valuable work.

Our hope is that your Christmas will be more joyous in the knowledge that you have given a much needed gift to these two worthy organizations who are dedicated to service for others.

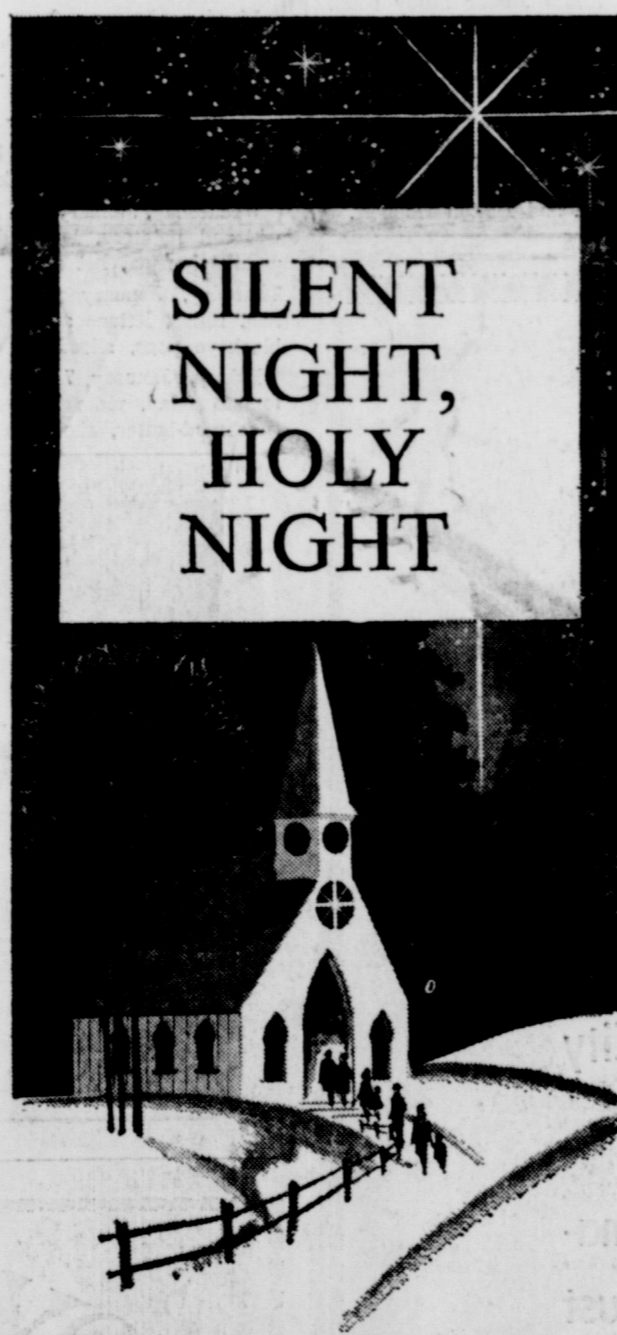
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Morton Texas

Season's Greetings

The Ray Tucker Family
 The Mike O'Brien Family
 The Bill Carter Family
 The Ray O'Brien Family
 Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Fralin, Loy Scott and Joe Kern
 Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Ramsey
 Evelyn Seagler
 Lorena Cadenhead
 Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy S. Harris
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Terry and Ross
 Mr. and Mrs. L. S. McCarty
 Mr. and Mrs. R. Z. Dewbre
 The Donnie Dewbres
 The Ralph Beasleys
 The Earl Outlaws
 Mr. and Mrs. Clyde P. Price
 George and Treva Jo Autry
 Mr. and Mrs. Keith Price and Girls
 Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Betts and Girls
 Farmer's Co-op Assn. of Enochs
 John Coffman Family
 Mrs. Anne Dean and Children
 Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Hoyl
 Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Wallace
 Leonard Groves Family
 John Pool Family
 Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Reynolds
 The Warren Williamsons
 The T. K. Williamsons
 The Jerry Winder Family
 Mr. and Mrs. Gary Willingham, Annette and Todd
 Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Willingham
 Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Williams, Loy, and Richard
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Robinson and Eric
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Watkins
 Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Roddy
 James and Peggy McClure
 Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Clayton and Boys
 Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Nebhut, Janella, Deletta, Teri and Barry
 Mr. and Mrs. Randy Thomas and Amy
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 Mr. and Mrs. Connie Gray and Family
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 Billy, Mac, Connie Jo and Cristy Foust
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 Mrs. John Mills and Claudia
 Mrs. Evelyn Smith
 Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Lowallen

In lieu of sending personalized
 Christmas Greetings this year,
 these Morton area residents
 have contributed to the
 Morton Day Care Center
 and are using this means of
 wishing their friends a
 Happy Holiday Season



May each man find peace in his
 heart this night...and may that
 peace extend throughout the world.

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 Simon Marina Family
 The Richard Houstons
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 The Don Gandys
 Hume and Eltha Russell
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 Armie Love Hawkins and Bob

ASCS Farm News

BY JOHN W. HALL, CED

Farmers have three set-aside choices to make in the 1972 feed grain program. "Every farmer is aware that more corn was harvested in 1971 than was immediately needed. Now steps are being taken to put corn back in balance with market demands," said Clarence A. Danklefs, Chairman of the Texas State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) Committee.

Danklefs outlined the choices in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's 1972 feed grain set-aside program.

First choice for producers who have feed grain bases (corn, barley or grain sorghum) on their farms is whether to sign up between January 17 and February 25 in the voluntary feed grain program. When a producer signs up in the program, he agrees to set aside an acreage equal to 25 percent of his total feed grain base.

"This is a five-percent increase in the set-aside over the 1971 program," Danklefs said. "A farmer agrees to keep his set-aside and conserving base acres out of production, and he is then free to plant all or part of his farm to any non-quota crop he wishes.

"The feed grain base is used only to figure the number of acres to be set aside and the payment total. It in no way limits the amount or the kind of non-

quota crops he can grow," Danklefs explained.

A feed grain producer who signs up for the qualifying 25 percent set-aside may also sign up for one or both of two additional options being offered.

He may designate acreage up to 10 percent more of his corn-sorghum base for set-aside. If he has a barley base, he may designate an additional acreage equal to 20 percent of his barley base for set-aside. A farmer will receive an additional payment on this optional set-aside acreage.

Producers who have corn-grain sorghum bases may take a second option and offer to set aside an acreage equal to 5 or 10 percent more of the total corn-grain sorghum base. Secretary of Agriculture Earl L. Butz will decide no later than mid-March whether to accept the 5 or 10 percent of additional acreage offered under this second option.

"These choices provide farmers more leeway in their farming operations. They can choose the crop-and-acreage mix most profitable for their farms. Now a farmer has control of a program for his farm, instead of a national farm program having control of the farmer," Danklefs said.

Payment rates for the qualifying set-aside will be 80 cents per bushel for corn, 76 cents per bushel for grain sorghum, and 64 cents per bushel for barley on the farm yield multiplied by the qualifying acreage set aside.

Payment rates for the additional set-aside will be 52 cents per bushel for corn, 42 cents per bushel for barley, and 49 cents per bushel for grain sorghum figured on the established farm yield times the additional acreage set-aside.



Merry Christmas to All!

J. W. McDermett Liquified Gas



With thanks to our many friends we say A Happy Holiday.

Forrest Lumber Co. & Employees

Carrie Ann Tyson rites held Monday, burial in Morton

Services for Carrie Ann Tyson were held Monday at 2 p.m. in First United Methodist Church. The Rev. Rex Mauldin, pastor, officiated.

Burial was in Morton Memorial Cemetery under direction of Singleton Funeral Home.

Mrs. Tyson, 30, died about 4:20 p.m. Saturday in Cochran Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

A native and lifelong resident of Morton, she married Jessie Wynn Tyson on February 11, 1962. She was a member of the Emlea Smith Junior Study Club. Survivors include her husband; a son, John David of the home; her parents Mr. and Mrs. Arland Mullinax and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Strickland all of Morton.

Pallbearers were: Rodney Fralin, Eugene Whittner, Zane Donald, Wayne Donald, Neal Everett and Dalton Hodnett.

Bookmobile

The High Plains Bookmobile will be in your area on the following dates.

Wednesday December 29 — (will not run Christmas Holiday) Whiteface No. 1 — 9:30-10:30; Whiteface No. 2 10:30-10:40; Lehman — 11:05-11:30; Bledsoe 12:00-1:00; Maple — 2:15-3:15.

School menu

Monday, January 3 — Baked franks w/tomato sauce, Spanish rice, green beans, plum cobbler, hot bread-butter, milk.

Tuesday, January 4 — Goulash, buttered English peas, cabbage, baked custard, hot roll wheat bread, milk.

Wednesday, January 5 — Pepper steaks, whipped potatoes, buttered mix greens, pudding-banana, hot rolls-butter, milk.

Thursday, January 6 — Hamburger on bun, relish, lettuce and tomato, buttered blackeye peas, sliced peaches, milk.

Friday, January 7 — Baked salmon, tomato salad, pinto beans, 1/2 pear, hot cornbread-butter, chocolate milk.

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So please, Santa, this Christmas let's have gaiety without grief, happiness without heartaches.

Merry Christmas, Santa

Sheriff Hazel Hancock

and Deputies



to all our loyal friends Happy holiday!

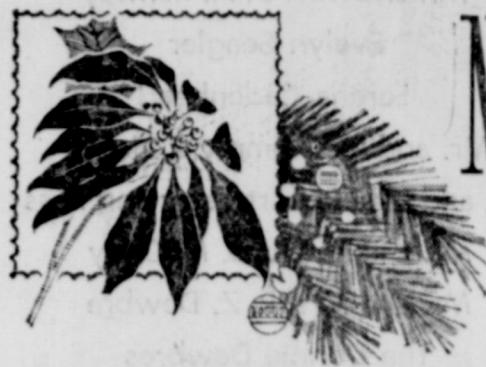
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Cotton growers group, GSPA call for program rules change

Executive officers of this area's two largest commodity organizations, Elbert Harp of Grain Sorghum Producers Association and Donald Johnson of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., have suggested to the U. S. Department of Agriculture a small change in the 1972 feed grain program rules.

They say this one change "would increase the effectiveness of the program, avoid some undesirable effects, increase producer income and not cost the government an additional penny."

As a result of heavy overproduction and depressed prices of feed grains in 1971 USDA has announced substantial changes in the government's feed grains program for 1972. Need for reduced production for the most part has gone unchallenged, and most High Plains farmers are looking with favor on the steps taken by USDA to bring it about.

FEED GRAIN producers who participate in the government program for 1972 will be required to set aside from production an acreage equal to 25 per cent of their base allotments, as opposed to only 20 per cent this year. By meeting this 25 per cent mandatory set-aside requirement, and by planting at least 45 per cent of their base acreage, producers will become eligible for a "set-aside payment" of 68 cents per cwt times the farm's established yield on 50 per cent of base acreage.

In addition, farmers will have the option to set aside acreage equal to another 10 per cent of their base allotments, voluntarily, for a payment of 87.5 cents per cwt times the established yield. On top of that 10 per cent growers may offer to set aside up to 10 percent more of their grain sorghum base, at the same rate of payment, and USDA will later decide whether all or any part of this offer is to be accepted.

Therefore, there is a good possibility under present rules that farmers, will have to plant 45 per cent, have to set aside 25 per cent and will voluntarily set aside another 20 per cent of their feed grain base. This would "tie-up" 90 per cent of the total feed grain base acreage, whereas in 1971 the feed grain program "tied-up" only 65 per cent of the base, 45 per cent planting requirement and 20 per cent set-aside requirement.

THIS ASPECT of the feed grain program, unless a change is made, when applied to the 25 counties represented by PCG where the total feed grain base is 4.5 million acres, would mean a reduction of over 1.1 million in the acres available for planting to cash crops.

The change proposed by Johnson and Harp would permit farmers, for program purposes, to count as planted to feed grain the 10 or 20 per cent of feed grain bases voluntarily set aside. And since it is generally thought that most High Plains farmers will take the maximum set aside option if available, up to 20 per cent of the feed grain base, a possible 900,000

acres, would be freed for planting to soybeans, cotton or some other income-producing crop.

According to Johnson and Harp, the benefits from permitting farmers to count voluntary feed grain set-aside as planted acreage would be substantial, both to producers and to government.

"**FIRST, LESS** acreage would be devoted to feed grain production both by reason of the reduced planting requirement and because of the added incentive for producers to offer the full 20 per cent voluntary set-aside, and this is an objective apparently desired by both producers and USDA. Second, producers would have more land available for the production of non-surplus crops, while their program payments would remain the same," Johnson said.

Thus it would seem USDA, by making a slight rule change, can do something really effective to help farmers — and without any additional cost.

USDA has the proposal under consideration, and an answer should be forthcoming shortly, Johnson stated.

Feed lot disease research grant received by WTSU

The West Texas State University School of Agriculture announced today a \$10,000 research grant to study diseased calves in commercial feed yards of the Texas Panhandle.

The grant was made by the Houston Committee. The research will be under taken by John W. McNeill, acting head of the school's Department of Animal Science.

McNeill said the "main problem confronting the cattle industry was developing an economic and effective regime for preventing and treating diseases of calves coming in to the area."

He said the problem has been intensified because of competition for replacement cattle in the rapidly expanding feed yards.

"Prices have increased, and as a consequence, more stockmen have resorted to lighter weight calves to place on feed," he said. "Even though these lighter calves represent a cheaper per head investment, they demand more intensive management and disease control practices."

McNeill said changes in environment, shipping stress, dehydration and ration changes generally result in respiratory diseases.

"Death losses are certainly a problem, but probably of greater economic concern is weight loss and reduced performance resulting from diseases," he said.

"We can't put a price tag on the loss. A majority of the cattle are affected to some degree."

In the beginning the research will seek preventive medicines to be used in the feed yards, he said, but "we would like to extend it to the producer's end."

The research will be carried out at the university's Nance Hereford Ranch. McNeill said the grant came about after Don Jobes, assistant manager of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, toured Panhandle feed yards and saw the problem.

The money will be used to purchase vaccine, feed, equipment and help cover undue death loss, McNeill said.

The study was initiated for one year, McNeill said, but "I hope funds will be renewed. I would like to see a minimum of three years for this research."

The experimental facility at the Nance Ranch is scaled to approximate commercial feed yards. About 500 head of cattle will be used.


More and more University of Texas faculty members are using course-instructor surveys as a measure of their teaching effectiveness. At a teachers' request, the University's Measurement and Evaluation Center will administer and tabulate the survey questionnaires which show how students are reacting to the class.

Happy New Year!
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CHRISTMAS CHEER



From All of US at
Ramsey Food Store



TO ALL A
Merry Christmas

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Owen Bros. Custom Feeding Co.

Three hurt in rural accidents in October

The Texas Highway Patrol investigated five accidents on rural highways in Cochran County during the month of October, according to Sergeant H. E. Pirtle, Highway Patrol Supervisor of this area.

These crashes resulted in no persons killed and three persons injured.

The rural traffic accident summary for this county during the first ten months of 1971 shows a total of 42 accidents resulting in two persons killed and 33 persons injured.

The rural traffic accident summary for the 60 counties of the Lubbock Department of Public Safety Region for October, 1971, shows a total of 595 accidents resulting in 19 persons killed and 294 persons injured. This was 96 more accidents, 14 less fatalities, and 26 more injured than during September.

The 19 traffic deaths for the month of October, 1971, occurred in the following: Wise, Roerts, and Wheeler, two each; Crosby, Hale, Parker, Stonewall, and Hemphill, one each.

Merry Christmas
And
Holiday Greetings
to All!

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WINTER REPAIRING GREETINGS



Well, bless our "soles!" It's time to greet our good friends and wish them happy holiday!

Ramsey's Shoe Shop

Merry Christmas



Wishing you all the happiness that can come with Christmas.

Leonard Coleman
County Commissioner

News from Bula-Enochs area

Larry Bates, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey Bates, arrived in Lubbock by plane Thursday, Dec. 16, from Fort Rucker, where he is stationed with the US Army. Mrs. Bates, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Dane and Gerald Bates were there to meet him. He will be home until December 29.

L. G. Harris celebrated his 76th birthday Wednesday, December 15. He and his family were residents of the community for many years. Mrs. Harris died about 8 years ago. Harris was in the chicken business until his health failed. He now lives alone north of Enochs.

Mrs. L. E. Nichols drove to Lubbock Tuesday afternoon and spent the night with her daughter, Myrlene Nichols.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Vanlandingham celebrated their 39th anniversary Wednesday, December 15. We wish them many more happy anniversaries.

Congratulations to Mrs. Brenda McCall George of Lubbock. A graduate of Bula High School, she finished college at Texas Tech Friday, December 17 and will begin her teaching career in Slaton in January.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Autry moved into the Graves house north of Enochs last week.

Guests in the G. R. Newman home Friday was their son, Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Joe Newman, and daughter, Lanett, and son, Jo Bob, of Muleshoe.

The Enochs Baptist women had their Christmas party Tuesday Dec. 14 in the fellowship hall of the church, they played several games, sang Christmas carols and drew numbers for exchange of gifts. The table was covered with a red velvet cloth trimmed with wide red lace centered with a Christmas arrangement with lighted red candles. Refreshments of all kinds of Christmas goodies and red punch were served by Mrs. Troy Price. There were 14 women present, Mesdames Wanda Layton, Troy Price, Olive Shaw, Etta Layton, Marie Elliott, Dovie Dane, Louise McCall, J. B. Vanlandingham, Sandra Austin, Ellen Payless, L. E. Nichols, Winnie Byars, Rose Nichols, and Welma Petree and one child Jeff Austin.

There was a truck loaded with hay and a car accident just north of Enochs Friday night as they ran into some straying cattle. No one was hurt.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Lane and baby from Canyon spent Friday night with her parents, the C. R. Seaglers. They were on their way to visit her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Turner at Las Cruces, N.M.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Curt Johnson Sunday was his daughter Mr. and Mrs. Earl Peck and son Micky Don of Lubbock, and her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Roberts of Odessa, and Mrs. Alma Altman.

Duwayne Baker is at home doing real good, his parents are very happy that he is able to be at home.

There was a fellowship at the Baptist Church Sunday night after training union and worship service. The congregation gave their pastor and wife a love offering and a bonding. Refreshments were cookies, cake, candy, punch and coffee.

Keith Coats visited his sister, Deanna Coats in Clovis, N.M. Friday night.

Edd Autry returned to his home from the Littlefield hospital Saturday after spending the week there.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pearson Sr. had their family Christmas gathering Friday night with a supper and exchange of gifts. Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Don Henderson and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Pearson and children, Mr. and Mrs. Darral Nowell and children and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pearson Jr., all of Muleshoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Millsap and children visited her mother, Mrs. Alma Altman Thursday night. They also visited her sister, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Baker and

family at Morton.

Ronnie and Mitzi Altman of Three Way spent Saturday night and Sunday with their grandmother, Mrs. Alma Altman.

Mrs. Debbie Wallace from Las Vegas, Nevada spent Saturday night and Sunday visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Olive Angel and other relatives, the Harold Laytons and the Junior Austins. Mrs. Austin took her to Lubbock Sunday afternoon to board a plane for Florida where she will join her husband for a visit to his parents.

Woodrow Sattlewhite of Andrews visited the J. C. Pearsons Monday.

The Bula boys and girls basketball teams played in the Whiteface tournament Dec. 9-11. The girls won first place and Freda Layton won all tournament honors. The Pep boys won first place and Bula boys second.

Bula played in the Whiteface tournament Dec. 16-18. The girls played Amherst and won first place with a score of 73-36. The boys played Wilcox and won first place, by a score of 37-36. Lisa Risinger was named the most valuable player in the tournament. Shelia Medlin and Ron Risinger were all-tournament players.

Bula school dismissed their classes Thursday, Dec. 23 for the holidays and will resume classes January 3, 1972.

The Bula community had their Christmas tree Sunday night at the Methodist church. They sang Christmas Carols and visited.

Mrs. J. D. Bayless was in Morton shopping Tuesday afternoon and visited her brother Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Coffman.



It's such a pleasure to say thank you to our many friends and customers at Christmas.

Long S Gin

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,

We have been pretty good girls this year.

My name is Kari and I want you to bring me: Valverie, Ball, & black lace up boots. Please bring my little sister eri, Valverie, lace up boots, and a new Barbie and clothes.

Please remember all the other little girls & boys that won't have very much for Christmas.

Mamma will leave cake & milk by the tree or if you prefer coffee to get warm it will be in the coffee pot in the kitchen.

Love, Kari & Jeri Hoffman Box 307 Amherst, Texas 79,312

LeFleur Garden Club holds Christmas party

The LeFleur Garden Club met December 9 in the home of Mrs. Roy Hill for a salad luncheon and Christmas party.

Mrs. Olin Darland, president, conducted a short business meeting. Members voted to buy two new books for the club library and also voted to decorate a window for the contest sponsored by the Morton Area Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. J. L. Thomas and Mrs. Hill presented the program.

Mrs. Thomas spoke on "Background." She used a variety of colors and textures of material to demonstrate the effects the type of background used can have on an arrangement.

Mrs. Hill spoke on "Niches." She displayed arrangements using different colors of lighting to show the effects color has in either adding to or subtracting from a design.

Members exchanged gifts following the program.

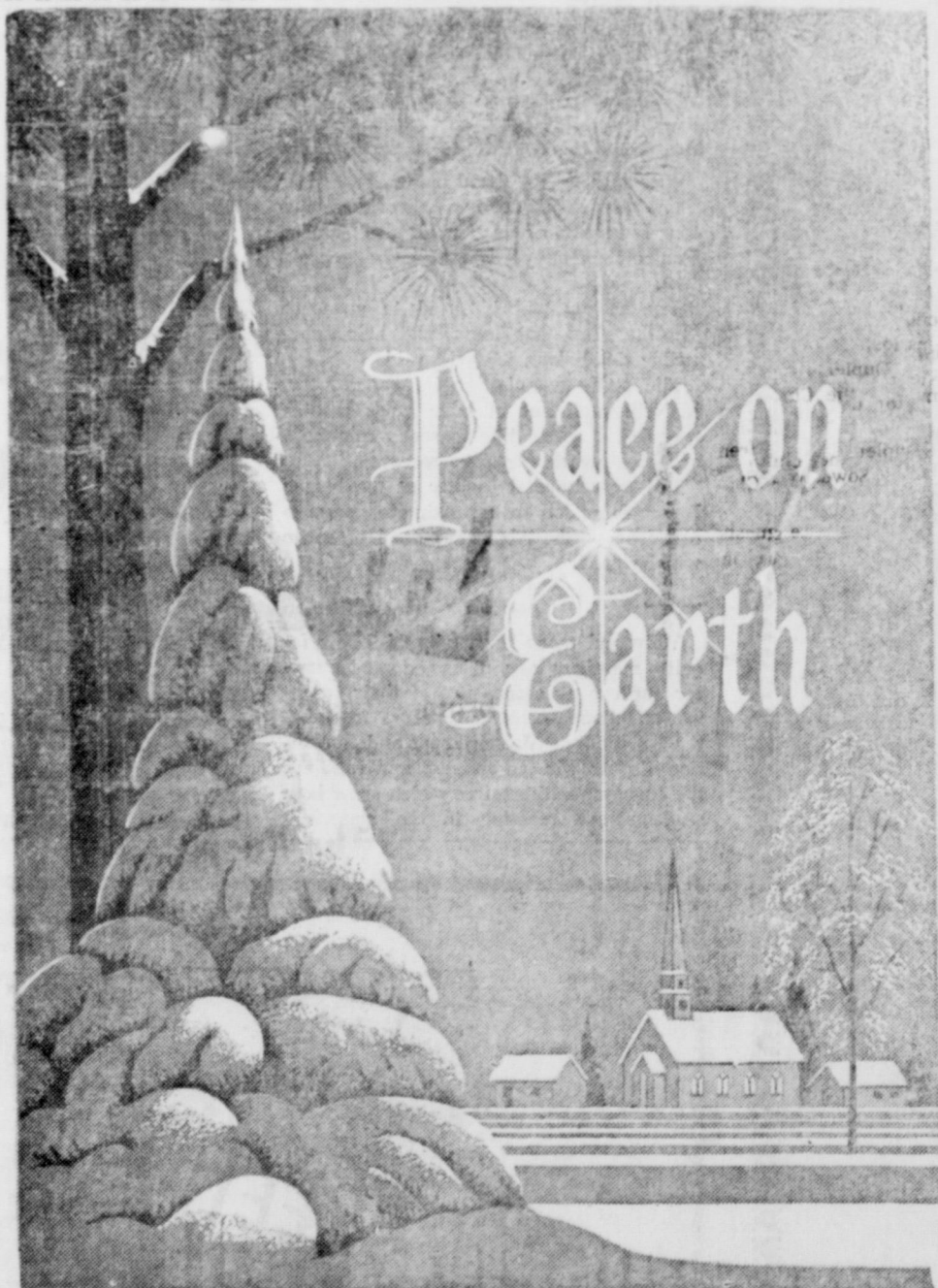
Attending were: Mesdames Darland, Thomas, E. R. Fincher, Hill, L. Z. Scoggins, Ray Griffith and Miss Lessie Ward.

Club honors Senior Citizens with party

The Town and Country Study Club met Wednesday, December 15, in the home of Mrs. W. G. Freeland for their annual Christmas party honoring the Senior Citizens of the community.

Christmas carols were sung by the Morton High School Tranquility Group, under the direction of Don Chandler and Mrs. Keith Kennedy read a Christmas poem, that had been given to her by Mrs. J. A. Gowdy, and dedicated to the memory of Mrs. Gowdy.

Guests present were: Mesdames Tom Stevens, Tone Young, H. S. Hawkins, Nath Crockett, N. H. Steed, Sr., C. C. Reynolds, L. M. Baldwin, W. M. Ellington, Mary Rice, W. W. Smith, D. T. Smith, Walter Taylor, J. W. Nichols, Edd Lytle, Earl Cadenhead, Elizabeth Greer, J. O. Gathright, C. C. Benham, Tom Brown, Lillie Bratcher, S. A. Ramsey, F. L. Fred, W. L. Miller, G. F. Cooper and Rolly Hill. Members attending were: Mesdames Ray Griffith, A. A. Fralin, Kermit Ward, A. E. Sanders, W. A. Hovey, Harold Reynolds, Wayne Wilcox, W. L. Foust, Kennedy, Connie Gray, Willard Henry, Joe Seagler, Ross Shaw and Freeland.



May the beauty of the Season brighten your life, not only at Christmas, but always.

The Tom Sneads

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Eva Lee Snead
Jimmy

Alex
Marcel
Tommy Lee



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Joy to All

Reynold's Texaco

Season's Greetings



May your holiday be warm and bright!

Modern Beauty Shop
Margie — Dorothy — Della

Confusion about measles often times brings disability

Doctors are increasingly worried over what seems to be a general confusion among the public about measles and German measles. They are two distinct diseases caused by two different viruses.

Measles, or rubeola, is perhaps the most underrated of all childhood diseases. Measles can kill or, more often leave a lifelong legacy of brain damage or deafness. Since encephalitis occurs in a small but significant number of measles cases, and permanent disability occurs in a fair proportion of these, this year's upsurge will sentence several thousand children to some sort of brain damage. Rubeola most frequently strikes preschoolers.

Until 1963, measles was virtually unstoppable. Today, one dose of measles vaccine given to children 12 months or older offers almost 100 percent protection. It's the best odds a parent can find anywhere in child health care these days.

German measles, or rubella, is less contagious and occurs more frequently among young adults. Women stricken with rubella during the first three months of pregnancy run a great risk of bearing retarded or handicapped children.

(though it has no relation whatever to the other variety), rubella is one of the mildest infectious diseases of childhood. Many youngsters actually go through rubella without knowing they have it. But when the virus is transmitted to the pregnant mother the results can be devastating. Following the 1964-65 rubella epidemic, an estimated 20,000 babies were born with severe birth defects.

With another epidemic predicted for 1972 or 1973, the only way to prevent an equally large harvest of deaf, blind, and mentally retarded infants is immunization of children between 12 months of age and puberty. The epidemic is expected because rubella outbreaks historically run in cycles of seven to ten years.

Separate immunization shots are available for both rubeola and rubella. Unfortunately most mothers are unaware of this and assume that a single shot protects children against all types of measles. This misconception leaves the children open to infection by one or the other of the viruses.

Rites pending for former Mortonite

Funeral services are pending at Sammy Leveritt Funeral Home in Paris for Louis Frank (Snookie) Russell.

Russell, 43, former Morton resident, died at approximately 4 p.m. Tuesday, December 21, of an apparent heart attack.

He was married to the former Janie Graham of Morton. Russell was a graduate of Morton High School, attended Eastern New Mexico University and Texas Tech University. He was a veteran of the Korean War.

He was employed by Bedwell Implement Company and Cochran County Farm Bureau before moving to Paris. He was manager of the Singer Sewing Machine Company and also employed by Campbell Soup Company at the time of his death.

Survivors include his wife; six sons, Gary, Robert, Micheal, Tim, Marvin and Kevin; one daughter, Melonie, all of the home; two sisters, Mrs. Roy Dean Hill of Leonard and Mrs. O. D. Chesshir of Morton; and one brother, Jack Koyte, of Lubbock.

Trotline regulation clarified by state fish, game officials

A new regulation requiring trotlines placed in public waters to be tagged with the name and address of the owner and the date the line was placed in the water need not be confusing, according to Leo Lewis, fisheries staff assistant for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Many fishermen use an aluminum or brass plate steel-die stamped with the necessary information. They work well except for having to stamp out new ones if the line is taken from the water and later set out again.

One of the best markers for temporary or permanent use is a white piece of plastic cut from a laundry bleach bottle and marked with a laundry marking pen. The plastic is as durable as the line itself and the ink stands up to the salinity of the water very well.

Lewis recommends tying the tag to the line with the same type of line used for the main line.

Three Way news

The Three Way High School tournament was held at Three Way high school gym the past weekend. The Three Way girls won second place. Tuesday night the Three Way high school basketball boys played Plains at Plains losing both games.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Dupler from College Station are home for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Gib Dupler and children visited her mother, Marie Sowder, in Clovis Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. House were guests of the H. W. Garvins at a restaurant in Morton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Wheeler were in Lubbock Thursday. Mrs. Tommy Durham and daughter from Lubbock spent Sunday night in the George Tyson home.

We wish to express our sympathy to the Tyson family on the death of Mrs. J. W. Tyson who was buried at Morton Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Garvin were in Lubbock Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Pollard and son from Levelland and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Benton from Spade and Mrs. Addie Masten from Maple were dinner guests Sunday in the Rayford Masten home.

The Dutch Powell family and the Paul Powell family had Christmas supper in Levelland Saturday night with the Pete Todd family.

Mrs. Homer Richardson and Mrs. Dutch Powell were in Lubbock Monday.

Hospital notes

Patients admitted to Cochran Memorial Hospital December 15 through December 21 were: Robbie Sanders, Margaret Gentry, Sabas Jimenez, Finis Williams, Goldie Strawn, Goldie Walker, Foy Kelly, Jerry Don Brownlow, Billy Bratcher, Ed Latimer, H. G. Gardner, Ray Hoyle, Rena Garrett, Doug Richardson, James Brownlow, Jimmy Burns, Lucille Wynn, Lee Sinclair, Gary Embry and Paul Wylie.

FREEZING BUTTER — Store butter in its original protective wrapper or container until ready to use. But if you don't plan to use it within two or three days, Extension foods and nutrition specialists remind that you can freeze extra amounts of butter. Frozen butter will maintain its quality up to two months.

Look who's new

Tammy Lea, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Burgess. Tammy arrived at Cochran Memorial Hospital December 17 at 8:25 a.m. and weighed 7 pounds and 4 ounces.

Baby girl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ysidro Costello. She arrived at Cochran Memorial Hospital December 19 at 2:50 p.m. and weighed 8 pounds and 9 ounces.

Baby boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Romero. He arrived at Cochran Memorial Hospital December 18 at 11:15 a.m. and weighed 8 pounds and 2 ounces.



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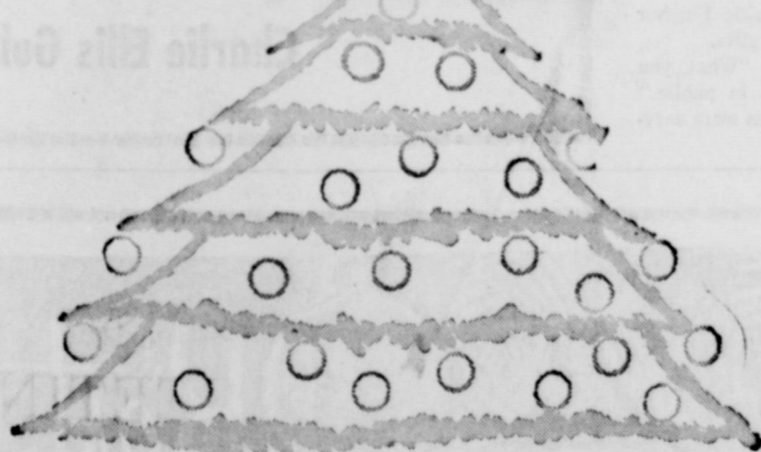
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HAPPY HOLIDAY

R. J. Vinson
County and District Clerk

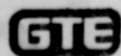
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And ONE to ONE let all of us take this opportunity to wish all of you a happy holiday season!



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Christmas Greetings

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Johnny & Babbye McClure



May this coming year be a time of happiness, joy and lasting peace for you

Paul Lawlis Gin

Paul & Olivia Lawlis

About local folks . . .

Ernest Gene Chesshir from Oklahoma City, Okla. will arrive in Morton Thursday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Chesshir. They will all spend Christmas Day in Littlefield with Mrs. D. T. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Collins, Kirk and Gary spent the weekend in Dumas with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. B. V. McCutchan and Scott. While there they celebrated their grandson's first birthday.

Miss Becky Greene is home from college and spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Van Greene.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed W. Hester, Jr. from Lubbock will arrive in Morton Christmas Eve to spend the holidays with her parents, the Bill Sayers.

Mr. and Mrs. Todd Fields are spending the holidays here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Fields and Judge and Mrs. M. C. Ledbetter.

SP/4 Robert D. (Doug) Scott is home on leave visiting friends and family. He is serving with the U.S. Army in Hanau, Germany. A 1969 graduate of MHS, he went into the Army in September of 1970 and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Scott and the grandson of Carrie Scott and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kelly.

Mrs. Barbara Wright and daughter, Susan, from Levelland and Mrs. Cecil Lindsey visited over the weekend with their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Sallie Rosser, who is a patient in a convalescent home at Hollis, Okla.

Visiting in Morton briefly last week was Rev. Curtiss Carroll, president of Jacksonville Bible College. Rev. Carroll was pastor of the First Missionary Baptist Church before moving to Dallas as head of the Baptist Book Store. He later accepted the Presidency of JBC.

The Carol Baldrigis of Plainview were visitors with the Herman Bedwells and other friends in Morton over the weekend.

Mrs. Hal Pugh and son, Robbie, spent several days in Austin last week with her husband who is now located there. The Pughs formerly operated the Tic Tock Restaurant. They will be moving to Austin after mid-term.

William Lavender of the U.S.A., now stationed in Hawaii, is visiting with his family here for the holidays. He will return to Hawaii Dec. 27.

Roy Tucker returned home Sunday from Deer Camp, Austin after several weeks of employment there.

Mrs. W. L. Miller will spend Christmas with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Willis, of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Allsup visited recently in San Angelo with her granddaughter and family who live there.

The Fred Morrisons spent Sunday and Monday in Chillicothe with her mother, Mrs. Aaron Phillips.

Mrs. L. A. Parker of Benjamin arrived Tuesday to spend the holidays with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Connie Gray and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Stetcher Stokes and Rhonda of Ceres, California arrived Monday night unexpectedly for a few days visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Stokes. While here they will visit with other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Linder are expecting their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Jones and son, of Dallas to arrive Christmas Eve to spend part of the holidays with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Hawkins and girls from Lovington, N.M. were in Morton over the weekend visiting with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Benham and Mrs. Scott Hawkins.

Mrs. Sherrill Griffith and boys of Lubbock visited in Morton over the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Scott Hawkins, and Sherrill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Griffith.

Former resident's rites Saturday

Services for Mrs. Nettie Perry of Lubbock, former Morton resident, were held here Saturday at 3 p.m. in Singleton Funeral Chapel. The Rev. G. A. Van Hoose, pastor of the Assembly of God Church, officiated.

Burial was in Morton Memorial Cemetery.

Mrs. Perry, 79, died about 4:30 a.m. Friday in University Hospital in Lubbock after a brief illness.

A native of Grayson County, she lived in Morton until 1943 when she moved to Lubbock.

Survivors include a son, Ira of Lubbock; a brother, Houston Thompson of Muskogee, Okla.; a sister, Mrs. Reba Bewley of Corsicana; 15 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Davis hosts Tops Club party

The Lighter Later Tops Club met in the home of Mrs. Ruby Davis December 15 for their annual Christmas party.

Odessa Daniel received a gift of jewelry for the best weight loss.

In lieu of a gift exchange, members donated money to be used for gifts for John Kelly, eight year old resident of Boys Town at Pettit. Mrs. Nellie Fincher was appointed to select the gifts.

Thought for the day was "What you eat in private is what shows in public." Coffee, spiced tea and cookies were served to eleven members.



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