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TWO SECTIONS



CHEERY SINGERS--Members of the First Baptist Children's Choir entertained at the Christmas Lighting Ceremony in the Park on December 8.



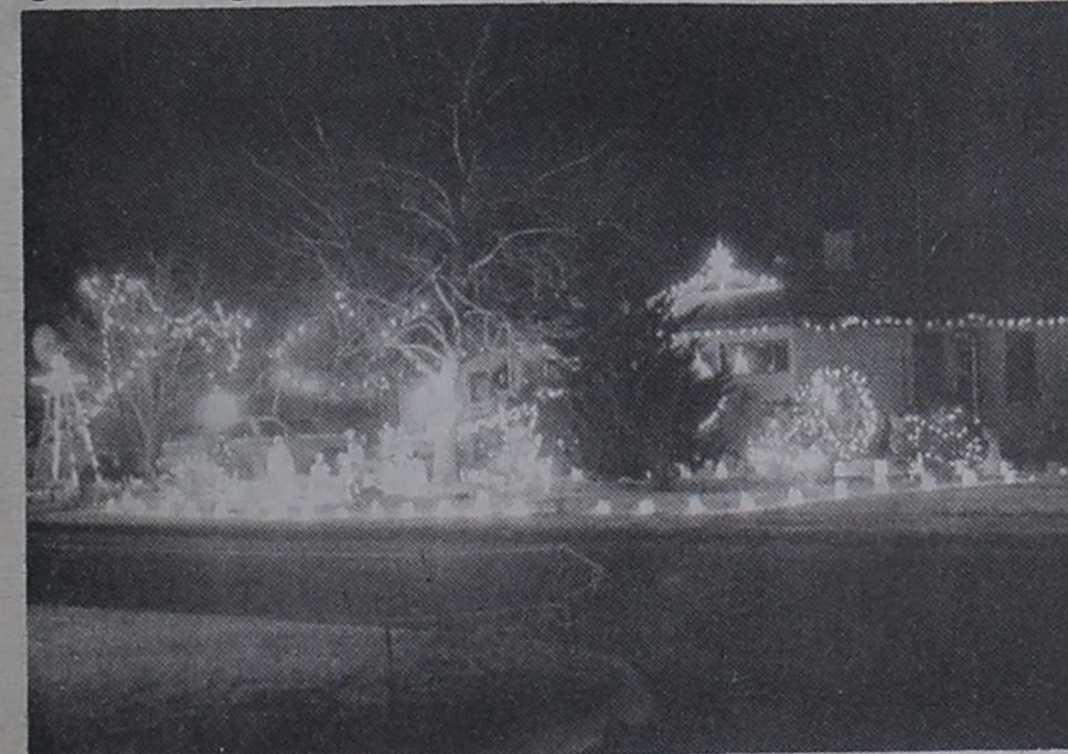
PRETTY MISSES---Miss Friona, LaTawn White, and Friona's Little Miss, Traci Blackburn, had an important visit with Santa Claus at the lighting ceremony in the park a couple of weeks ago.



MUSICAL COUSINS...This group of first cousins entertained for the Friona Evening Lion Club as guests of Roy V. Miller, who just happens to be the great-grandfather of the children. From the left are Jacob Miller, Andrea Geries, Ryan Geries, Amanda Geries, Caleb Miller and Amy Geries.

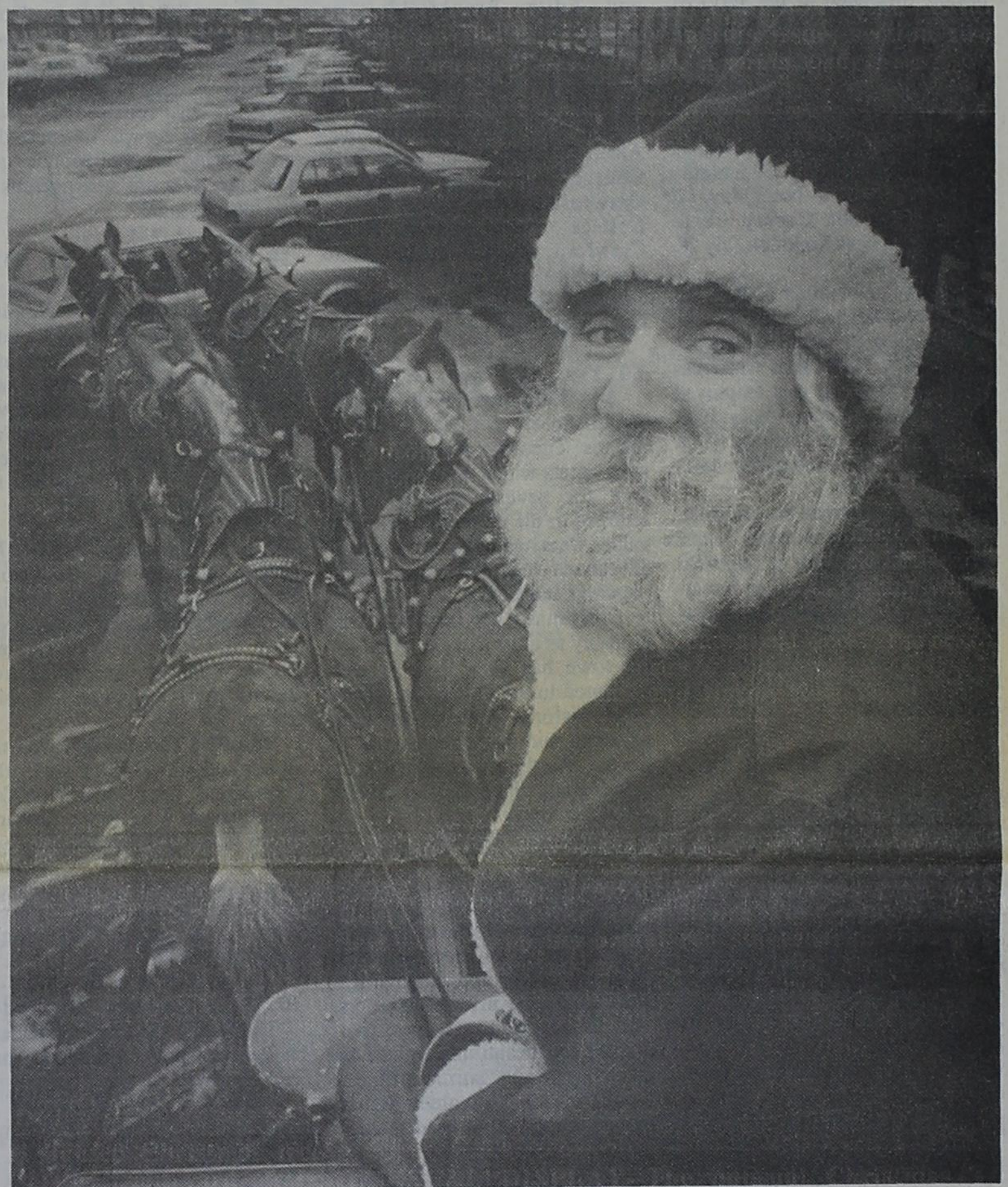


CAROLING HAYRIDES--Bruce Parr brought his mules and hayride wagon into town last Saturday so the children of several of Friona's churches could go caroling around the town.



OUTDOOR DECOR---The yard at the C.B. Eddins home on Ashland is ablaze with lights and color and outlined with luminaires.

A Merry Christmas



Heaven's Child

by Mary Dalton Crump

*The night the shepherds came, with awe,
Led by the brightest star,
They shared all the great wonderment
With wisemen from afar.*

*They only knew this was the day,
The prophecy was kept,
With no foreboding of the cross
Nor garden, where he wept.*

*The night was filled with wonder and
To them, it was not strange,
For even wisemen could not know,
This night, the world would change.*

*A star above a stable?
But when the angels smiled,
They never had the slightest doubt,
That this was Heaven's Child.*

SANTA CLAUS---Friona's own home-grown Santa Claus is none other than Bruce Parr who is shown here posed atop his bright red stagecoach. The photo was taken last year as Parr was giving Santa rides to folks at Wolfin Village in Amarillo. (See feature article on the Parr family in this issue, section two.)
Photo courtesy of D.L. Horton, Amarillo Daily News



ATTENTION READERS! No Paper Next Week

Continuing a custom of the past several years, the Friona Star will not publish an issue of the paper next week.

It has been a long-standing tradition for the management to allow the newspaper employees the week between Christmas and New Year's to enjoy time for visiting with their families during the holidays.

You will not receive a newspaper next week. The next issue will be published January 6, 1995.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



BIGGEST TREE---The biggest lighted Christmas tree in town, about 30 feet tall, is in the front yard of the A.L. Black home on 14th Street. The grandkids decorated it as a surprise for Clydie one day while she was out shopping.



UNUSUAL DISPLAY--The unusual Christmas Tree in the yard of the Daniel Rosales home on Ashland is not a real tree but is formed from a pole, lights and wires. The Star of Bethlehem lights up the house.



BUDDY LLOYD Rites Held Thursday For Buddy Lloyd

Funeral services for Thomas (Buddy) Lloyd, 85, of Friona, were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, December 22, 1994 at First United Methodist Church in Friona. Rev. Lee Roark, pastor, officiated at the services, assisted by Vergil Ichertz, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Friona.

Burial was in the Friona Cemetery under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Lloyd died Monday, December 19 at Parmer County Community Hospital. He was born May 12, 1909 in Johnson County, Texas and married Opal Smith on July 28, 1929 in Farwell.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Friona. After moving to Parmer County on January 20, 1926 from Childress County, Texas, he was employed by Friona Consumers from 1941 until he retired as manager in 1975.

His wife preceded him in death on May 18, 1981.

Survivors include one daughter, Oleta Kalka of Panhandle, Texas; one sister, Ruth Smith of Lubbock; four grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

The family suggests that memorials be sent to Prairie Acres Nursing Home.

Letters To The Editor

Dear Chamber members,
It has been a pleasure to serve as your Chamber President for 1994. What a great year! With your support and the commitment of staff and the Board of Directors, your Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture returned vitality to Friona.

There is excitement in town once again and it is but a groundswell of things to come. Thank you for letting me serve and be a part of this memorable year.

Sincerely,
Bill McCoy

Dear Bill:
Thank you for the Friona Star each week. We appreciate it and you. Wishing you all the joys of the Christmas season and a good 1995.
Virgil & Mary Kate Zeman
P.O. Box 2279, Pecos, Tx. 79772

Friona Flashbacks
....from the files of The Friona Star

65 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 27, 1929
The Star is authorized to announce that the people of the Baptist congregation will hold their first devotional services in their new church at Sixth Street and Summitt Avenue this Sunday. The regular Sunday School services will be held, beginning at 10 a.m., when arrangements have been made to have Santa Claus visit the school and distribute a Christmas treat to each one.

60 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 28, 1934
Among those of the Friona young people who are attending the various state colleges this winter, and who came home during the holiday season, the Star is able to report the following: Misses Seva Welch, Gwendolyn Cowgill, Reba and Roberta Hill, Marian O'Brian and Edith Brookfield, Lex Alexander, Glenn and Charlie Reeve, students at WTSC, Canyon. Also, Miss Rosella Dixon and Weldon Whitefield, Paul Spring, Nelson Welch, Loyde Brewer and Albert Conway, all students at Tech College, Lubbock; Miss Dorothy Crawford, student at C.I.A. College, Denton; Miss Helen Crawford, student at the State University in Austin and Frank Truitt of the Draughn's Business College at Dallas.

50 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 29, 1944
Americans, traditionally overfed at Christmas, went back to shorter rations Tuesday morning when most meats which have been point free for several months were returned to the ration list and point values were again placed on nearly all canned vegetables and canned preserves and jellies.

Christmas Day for 1944 was probably as quite a day at Friona as the town has ever seen, it even compared to the time in the town's early history when a traveling salesman said that someone had to get out shortly after daylight each morning and chase the jack rabbits out of the streets.

45 Yrs. ago--Dec. 23, 1949
The management of Friona Wheat Growers, Inc. have added to the Christmas spirit at Friona, by the erection on the extreme top of their large elevator, a beautiful electrical display in Yuletide colors. The display features a large five-pointed star beautifully lighted by electricity, and surmounting a border of red and green lights, framing the top of the head house.

40 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 31, 1954
Building permits issued by the city of Friona during 1954 today totaled \$225,240. This included both new business houses and residences and improvements. A total of 47 permits were issued.

30 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 24, 1964
Brenda Hawker, Friona's exchange student from Australia, is spending her first Christmas away

from home, and is hoping to see her first "White Christmas." Being from Australia, she is used to observing Christmas in the middle of the summer. Brenda is staying with the E. G. Phipps family during her year in Friona.

25 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 25, 1969
Four 1969 graduates of Friona High School, who were home from college for the Christmas holidays, were injured Friday evening when the car in which they were riding went out of control and turned over. Charles Hamilton, driver of the late model Pontiac, Joel Osborn, Ramey Beene and Danny Carthel were returning from Dimmitt, where they had attended a wedding. The accident occurred at a dead end on a country road south of Black. Osborn, who was the least seriously injured, ran to the Joe B. Douglas farm home for assistance. The four were admitted to Parmer County Community Hospital. Osborn was released Saturday morning. Beene was transferred to the Amarillo hospital Monday and the other two are still patients in the local hospital.

20 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 22, 1974
Friona Consumers' board of directors announce that longtime manager Thomas (Buddy) Lloyd is retiring as of January 1. Becoming manager on the first of the year will be Elton Wyly. Lloyd has served as manager of the cooperative for the past 24 year, and has been employed by Friona Consumers for over 33 years -- since 1941.

15 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 23, 1979
The winners of the Friona Chamber of Commerce lighting contest were announced this week. They were Virginia Jennings, first; Robin Houlette, second; Leroy Berend, third; and Gaye Tannahill, fourth.

The FHS speech team won the sweepstakes trophy at the Brownfield meet last week. Top point-makers were Mark Zachary, David Fleming, Mark Blankenship, Cole Fulks, Maria Escalante, Janette Reed, Kipi Fleming, Sheri Dodson, Christy Bengé, Sonja Gore, Sandy Spring, Gary Wright and Amber Smith.

10 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 23, 1984
The Friona Chieftain footballers landed two spots on the first team

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Dr. & Mrs. O.T. Rozzell of Clovis enjoyed Thanksgiving with their family, especially since they had not all been together in years. Ron Fowler Photography made REUNION portraits of the group, individuals and families at 10:00 am Friday and delivered 8x10 proofs at 5:00 pm the same day so that selections could be made before everyone left town. They loved it!

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Friona Jr. High School Introduces New Program

The Friona Junior High School staff has begun a new program for its students. It involves team work between teachers, students and parents to encourage high academic achievement and deal with discipline problems, as well as provide students with a fun way to learn with team work.

The program is called "Teaming." This school year, the program has been implemented for sixth grade students and teachers.

The staff would like the community of Friona to know what exciting things "Teaming" involves. They include: parent and student conferences, tracking student progress for success, team contests and awards, "Pride Tribe" and cohesiveness within the teams.

The "Teaming" period allows the parents of sixth graders to visit, at one time, with all their child's core subject teachers.

This provides an opportunity for parents and teachers to communicate, which can be beneficial for the success of students.

Tracking student progress is made easier as time is provided during the school day for all sixth grade teachers to meet together.

Much paper work is done to keep track of a student's behavior, study habits, problems in school work, as well as improvements made in these areas.

Visits with students individually, or in groups, also occur at this time. Parents are sometimes called for a visit so that, working together, the son/daughter can be encouraged to improve in a problem area.

"Teaming" gives teachers a chance to provide interdisciplinary activities. Two or more subject areas can be correlated into one learning experience.

An example of this is the math and science teachers working together on temperature to change Celsius to Fahrenheit.

The students can learn how to work a formula in math that will help them when they do a lab in

science. Another example would be reading a story in reading class that works in with what students are learning in social studies. This provides students an opportunity to see how all subject areas work together.

A large aspect of "Teaming" is to provide positive reinforcement to the students. The sixth grade teachers pick a "Student of the Week" for each core subject. These students have excelled in one subject for a week. They are awarded a certificate and a lunch pass to use to go to the front of any lunch line for that week. These are presented weekly by Mr. Wiseman, the principal.

The team teachers also have a positive day once a week. Six students a week are recognized for their positive attitudes, hard work, participation and leadership abilities. They are called in, praised for their efforts and given a small reward.

Students also compete in contests. Every week or two, the three teams compete against each other in school related activities.

The teams are awarded with points throughout the contests. At the end of the six weeks, the team with the most points will be the winner.

The winning team can be rewarded in many ways. The last winners, "The Untouchables," watched a movie and had refreshments.

"Pride Tribe" is a program we have incorporated to motivate students to do their best. "Pride Tribe" stands for "Personal Responsibility in Daily Effort."

In order for a person to become a member of the "Pride Tribe," he or she must stay within the guidelines for six weeks. The guidelines are listed below: (1) no office referrals; (2) 75 or better in every class; (3) no more than two absences (unless prior arrangements are made); (4) satisfactory or above in citizenship; (5) only one noon detention a six weeks; (6) no Saturday school referrals.



PLUGS 'TEAMING'...Four Friona Jr. High students who are involved in the new "Teaming" concept pose with certificates they have earned. In the back are Matthew Mata and Ashlee Hunt. In front are Flora Meza and Charlie Reyes.

If a student qualifies for the team, he or she will receive a t-shirt at the expense of the school. Other "Pride Tribe" benefits include a Tribe party, special lunch privileges and an early dismissal.

A special field trip will be planned for those who qualify for two of the six week sessions. This program is not limited to the sixth grade. All junior high classes will have a chance to be a member of the "Pride Tribe."

To sum up all the things that "Teaming" does for the students is "cohesiveness." Cohesiveness is a union between a group of people or sticking together tightly.

Teaming is not only a union between students, but it is also a union between the student and the teachers.

One contest that proved the students are unifying was the rap song contest. Each team had to write a rap song about their team and perform the rap for all the sixth graders.

Teaming is also preparing the

students to work together and solve differences with compromise after they graduate from school.

Some of the sixth grade students wrote short essays about their feelings about teaming:

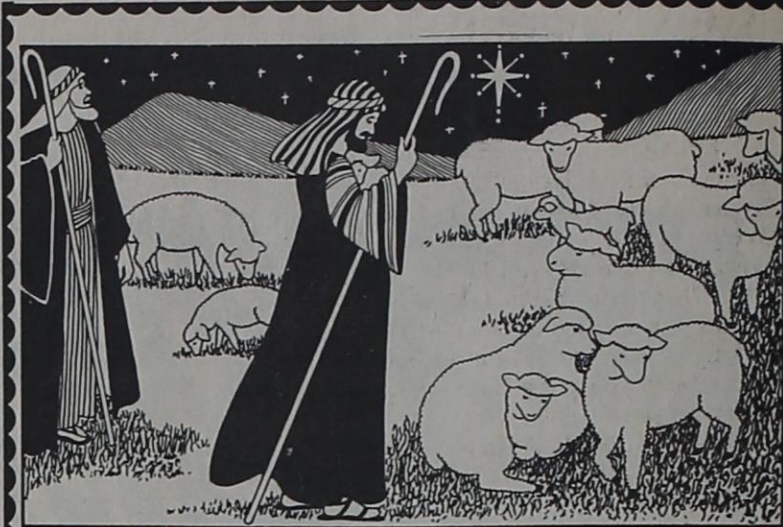
DANIEL GUERRA

I think teaming is good because you get to compete with your friends. I also like it because if you win you get to eat popcorn and watch a movie or go eat at Tasty Cream. I also like it because you get to help other people.

KRISTIE JACK

When we started teaming, I thought it was going to be fun. It is fun. It's a blast. I thought the teams were very good and it's hard competition. I don't care if we win or lose. It is just to have fun and make school events fun. Sixth grade don't have very many events except Little Dribblers and U.I.L. That's not very much so it gives us some brain work and it helps us do things in our other classes.

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New Program...

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KEATON BEHRENDSEN

I like it. It gives us responsibilities. Teaming teaches us that we can do what we try for. We get to have a party if our team wins. That is what I like most.

DIANNA TIRADO

I think of teaming as a project to help you get involved in school and to help you put a little effort into what you are doing.

LOUISE WALKER

I think of our sixth grade teaming as a very good idea. The reason I think it is a good idea is because now more people study because we have competitions on some of our subjects.

MARISA RODRIQUEZ

I think teaming is fun. It teaches you to study for tests so you can get points for your team. You also get to go on fun things. Go Dog Pound.

CASON WHITE

The thing I like about teaming is we get to have fun with our friends, and we get to compete with the other teams, too.

EMA PEREZ

What I like about teaming is we all work and encourage one another. Also, the teachers give us great prizes if we win.

JILL BROWN

I think our groups are fun. We have a chance to make friends and feel good about ourselves. I think it was a great idea to have groups.

BLANCA ACOSTA

Teaming is good and fun. We also get to do good thinking and have fun with teachers. I hope we have fun in our teams.

LUPITA CORRAL

I think teaming is really fun. Everyone can have something to go for and can study more. Those who have low grades can raise their grades.

ALISIA RANDO

Teaming is fun. It is not to try to beat the other teams and make fun of them if they lose. I like to win because I like doing the activities we do if we win.

ELIZABETH SILVA

I think that we should do a little more of it because it shows us team spirit.

ELICA RIVERA

I think that teaming is a very good idea. It helps us know our team better. We help each other remember what to study for the next competition. I think that teaming is a very good idea.



MARICARMEN ROCHA and GABRIEL LEE SOLIS... Antonio and Carmen Rocha of Friona announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Maricarmen, to Gabriel Lee Solis of Sundown, Texas. His parents are Frank and Delia Solis. The couple plans a January 28 wedding at 3 p.m. in the Templo Bautista, Friona. The bride-elect is a Friona High School graduate. The prospective bridegroom graduated from Sundown High School and is currently employed at Amoco in Denver City, Texas.



DECORATE TREE... Danny Fiel, Tom Randolph, Marca Herring, Chamber directors, and Robin Baize with Campbell Electric are shown putting lights up at the City Park and Depot.

Reception To Honor M. Watkins

A reception will be held on Tuesday, December 27, between 2:30 and 4 p.m. for Marjorie Watkins, who will be finishing her term as District Clerk this month.

The reception will be held in the County Courtroom of the Courthouse. Refreshments will be served. Mrs. Watkins has served as District Clerk for the past 12 years, and has been employed at the courthouse for the past 20 years.

S. Widner Receives Nurse Pin

The 1994 classes of practical and associate degree nurses at Clovis Community College were honored at a Pinning Ceremony, December 14 at the college.

Sherry Widner of Friona was among the 38 students who received practical degree nursing pins.

GOOD WISHES ALL SEASON LONG

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Happy Holidays!

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Santa Letters

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 Love, Gloria Burkart

Dear Santa,
 Please bring me a dress. Say Hi to Rodolph for me.
 Love, Cierra Henry

Dear Santa,
 As you know, I am living in Friona this year. For Christmas I would like some moon shoes, Baby Blue Danielle doll, a Mariko Paint & Power Ranger games for Nintendo, an Ask Zander game, pogo stick and most of all, my parents and brother to move to Friona.
 I know that this may be too many toys, so please Santa pick me a good one and be sure my brother Blake gets something, too. Please be sure and leave something for all the children in the world and help all to remember that this is celebrating Jesus's birthday.
 Love, Brittany Montoya

Merry Christmas
 With Well Wishes

May you enjoy good health and good fortune in the year to come. happy Holidays and many thanks for putting your trust in us.

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May the joys of this Holy Season fill your hearts. Good tidings to each and every one!

Joey

Calvary Baptist Church

Santa Letters

Dear Santa Claus,
I like your long beard and your glasses, but most of all I like you because your red suit and your black boots. How do your reindeer fly?
From Kandace
I Love you very much.

Dear Santa,
These are the things I would like for Christmas... Tender Memories Furniture, cabbage patch kids baby blanket, surprises, electronic feeding and care set.
I am glad you have Rudolph. I know the song of Rudolph.
Love, Miranda Frye

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a barbie folding funhouse and baby all-gone and jumpy. I been a good girl.
Love, Marie Tirado

Dear Santa,
Can you get me a Emit Smith jerse.
Love, Eddie

Dear Santa,
Santa can you 1. bring me a bicycle for Christmas? 2. Santa can you bring me a Sega Genesis?
Willy Castillo

Dear Santa,
I want a nintendo with two cassettes.
Damian Gozboez

Dear Santa,
Mrs. Dickson needs a new classroom ok.
To Santa From Jennifer Cardenas

Dear Santa,
I no you are bisy. But I really want to go back with my mom. I want a walkman and I want Yvonne to go with me, but I will never see Isaac agin. can you help that, and I want my sisters baby to be all riat, the one that is in his stamick. Santa I fill I can tell you inething, can I? I hope so. are you rill. It seems like it but some people say you died a long time ago is that trool or some people say you were never rill.
Faith Martinez

Dear Santa,
I want a small twenty-two camera, toy jeep.
By, Kyle

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the doll house. But now may I have the camping Barbie, and her van.
Patty Solorzano

Dear Santa,
I want a Super Nintendo and a Sega cassette. My sister wants a Barbie and my other sister wants a toy.
Thanks, Oscar Novez

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bicycle. Please can you bring me a guitar? Can I haf a van? Santa thank you for the truck and I wont a toy, and a motocicleta.
Artemio Garcia

Dear Santa,
I know you are rell but no one belives me I know that you know win are a sleep I know it is troo but I hope you will come to my house I do not know you will come.
From Samantha Stokes

Santa,
I have been bad but I can not help it. It is just getting so close to us getting our presents and so is my sister. Because we get in lots of fites would you please help me?
Katy Welch

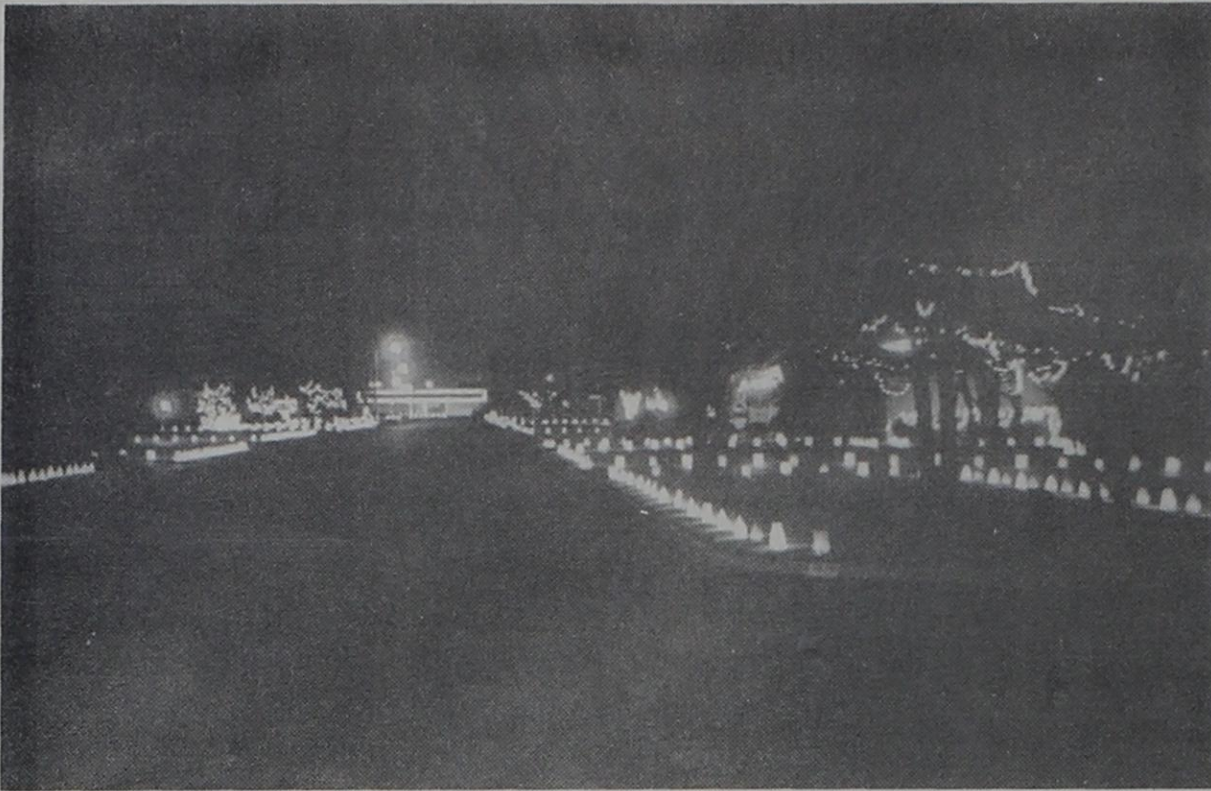
Dear Santa,
I want a bike end a litle cr wheth a barbe and I want a ring and I want a ear muffs purple and I want a umbrella.
Lucia Villa

Dear Santa,
I want a barbe, and a doll.
Yvonne Ramos

Dear Santa,
I want a saga Genesis for Christmas and game, a go car and a trouble wheel, that has a parts of the car.
Creg Parillo

Dear Santa,
I've been good. I want a barbie house and swing-set. My sister has been good too.
Love, Allison Jones

Dear Santa,
I like Christmas because I like presit and I like toes. I wont a presit dear Santa and his rander and his elfs and a real dog and his wife.
Freddy



CHRISTMAS SPIRIT...The residents of Tenth Street in Friona bind together every year to put out their luminarias, as well as other yard decorations and lights. If you haven't driven out that way, you need to before the holiday season is over.

AYULETIDE BLESSING
May you and yours enjoy a memorable and peaceful season of sacred celebration. We appreciate your support and friendship.

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Rhea-Hollene Community Christmas Party



Potts Kids--Kirk and Monia Ann Wilson, Billy Joe, Zandy, Logan and Abbie and Becky Potts with Santa.



Conlee Family--Jim and Linda Conlee, Jim and Megan Conlee, James and Ashley Conlee and Santa Claus.



Robert and Jo Osborn, baby Katie Jo and Robert's grandmother, Ilene Osborn with Santa Claus.



Norman and Gay Taylor with Santa.



Jack and Ona Patterson talk with Santa.



Sarah Widner visits with Santa.

Rhea-Hollene Residents Have Christmas Party

The Rhea-Hollene Christmas party was held Saturday evening, December 3 at the Activity Center. Some of the group went Christmas caroling to the homes of Hershel and Wilma Hughes, Cordie and Helen Potts and Chris and Ruth Drager.

Billy Joe Potts read "The

Homemakers Have Party

The Rhea Homemaker's Club held their Christmas party Thursday, December 15 at the Rhea-Hollene Activity Center.

The tables were covered with red and green cloths and were centered with tinsel and pine cones. The room was decorated with Christmas hangings and centerpieces. The Christmas tree was made from coat hangers, lights and tinsel. Hostesses were Bertha Camero and Cecelia Schueler.

Christmas carols were sung along with a tape of carols. The ladies shared a "special Christmas memory." They watched a video called "Jesus, The Story Begins." They decided to make a quilt in 1995 to raffle as a fund raiser with proceeds to benefit the Activity Center.

Christmas goodies, spiced tea, strawberry, cinnamon, apple tea, coffee and lemonade were served to those present.

Present for the party were: special guests, Diane Abarca, Ona Patterson, Judy Potts, Helen Potts, Martha Schueler, Bertha Camero, Gay Taylor, Donna Schueler and Cecelia Schueler.

Christmas Legend of the Candy Cane" and "Luke's Gospel of Jesus Christ's Birth." Sandwiches, snack foods, hot and cold drinks were served to those present.

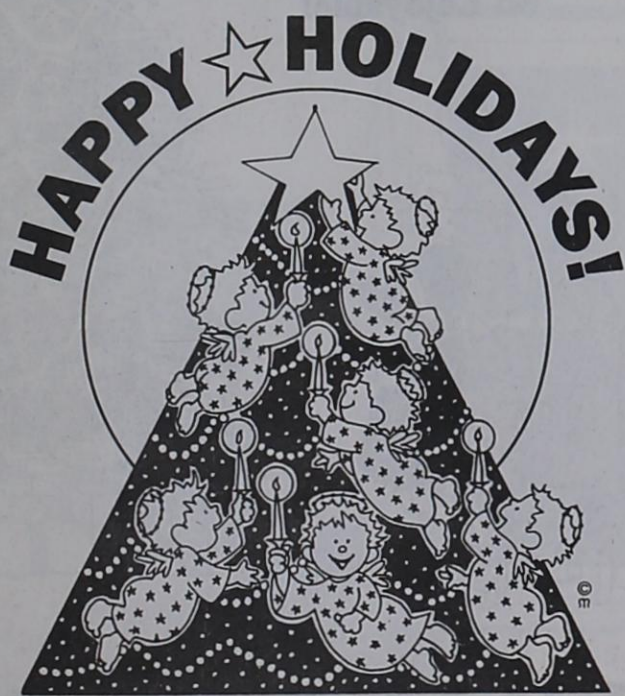
Santa Claus was there and presented candy canes to everyone after hearing their "wish list" for Christmas. The adults even told Santa what they wanted for Christmas. The children sang Christmas carols and talked to their special guest, Santa.

Forty-two people attended the party. Guests included Ilene Osborn, Alicia Smith, Sarah and Patty Widner, Billy Joe and Zandy Potts, Logan and Abbie, Logan's friend, Matthew, all of Friona; Jeff Schueler of Harker Heights, Texas; Becky Potts, Kirk and Monia Ann Wilson, Jim and Linda Conlee, Jim and Megan Conlee, Ashley and James, all of the Rhea community.

Activity Ctr. Is Decorated By Residents

Colored lights decorate the entry area and sign outside the Rhea-Hollene Activity Center. An antique tractor decorated with clear chaser lights is lit every night for everyone in the community to enjoy.

Norman Taylor and Herbert Schueler constructed the outside decorations on December 8. Herbert won a first place trophy with this tractor at the Antique Tractor Pull conducted during the 1994 Curry County Fair, held in Clovis, New Mexico.



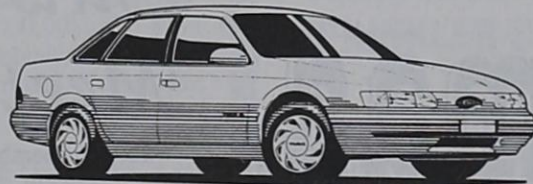
Here's hoping that joy plays a starring role this holiday season.

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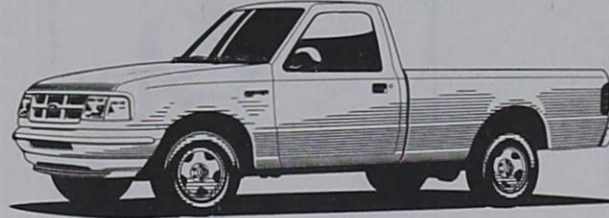
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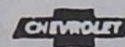
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❄️ Letters To Santa Claus ❄️



HELPS FUND....John Gurley, president of the Friona Noon Lions, is shown presenting Gerry Taylor a check for \$100 from the Lions to go to Project Christmas Card.

Dear Santa,
I would like a beebee gun, a new bike, a tripl R K and a sega, a sleeping bag, beebee pistil.
Be shur you give my mom and dad something.
Love, Will Hughs
Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,
I wish my brother would come for Christmas so he could share the presents.
Your friend, Michael Saiz

Dear Santa Claus,
I want clothes. I need 3 pair of pants and a Chicago Bulls shirt.
Your friend, Lorenzo Sierra

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bear, a doll, a ball, a pool, skates, candy, stars, stickers, \$10.00, to see my baby cousin, books, a bell, ear rings, and a T.V.
Your friend, Nohemi Benavides

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a bear holding a candy cane, a rabbit holding a candy cane, a reindeer with a candy cane.
Your friend, Felicia Cuellar

Dear Santa,
I really want a new house, a new job for my dad, new nike shoes and gymnastic lessons in Muleshoe for me.
Love, Andrea Geris

Dear Santa,
I want a bike for my Christmas party, but really wish for a toy. Are you reindeer real? I want you to buy my cousin a cuboods and my brother a shirt. I Love You.
Jennifer Mills

Dear Santa,
I want to now after you come down the chimey were do you come out and I want 1000 barbes and a nintendo and some money for my mom my dad and toys for my sister and brothers and cusers and I want Miss Ramen and Miss Housten and Miss Harris.
Love, Veronica

Dear Santa,
I want a bike if you have that much money. If you have more money then I want a play knife.
Your friend, Matt Gammon

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want cars, a dog, \$100 bill, computer, an alternater, and that's all.
Your friend, Oliver Loya

Dear Santa Clause,
I wont a cat and fish. I will be good.
Love Karla

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want cars, trucks, \$5,000,000.00 bills, toys like turtles, and robinhood.
Your friend, Kevin Ortiz

Dear Santa,
I wish I had a car, a bike, a go cart, \$1,000,000.00 bill, and Elves clothes.
Your friend, Richard Roberts

Dear Santa,
I would like a cat, a skateboard, a dog, a kitten, a bike, and a go cart. Thank you very much.
Your friend, Julian Escabedo

Dear Santa claus,
I want a go-cart, swimming pool, \$1,000.00, my family to be together on Christmas, a kite, and go to Hawaii.
Your friend, Jacob Rando

Santa Dear Santa,
I wont a sega and Lasirs, and a bebe gun, 3 bebe gun.
Robert Rocha

Dear Santa Claus,
Member to bring my prints a bring me my legos and don't forget to bring my family and I bine very good a my family has bene very good this year and have a merry Christmas Sant Claus.
Love, Eduardo Godoy

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a new bike. And for my mom new clothes. And new clothes for me to. And for my brothers get them something very nice. Please let Mrs. Harris come and visit us at school. I want Mrs. Houston for Christmas and Mrs. Ramond and Mrs. Harris for Christmas!
Love, Patricia Mata

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me toys and clothes. If you have some money then I would like a swimming pool.
Your friend, Kristi Lanier

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a sega, a super nintendo, a football, and a baseball bat.
Love you, Lorenzo Trujillo

Dear Santa,
I whut a Sega, And I whut a nuw bik and my mom whut a nuw klos. And my setr a nuw plapen and my bruth nees to hav a sega. And I whut Meery Christmas, a radio that hav a sed play and wheth a ramockaio.
Crystal Martinez

Dear Santa,
I wont a Sega and a Game Ger and I wont rollerblades and give my mom a diamond necklace and my dad give some nice tools an I want a big foot with a remote control and a bebe gun, a to my brother a shot gun.
David Mendez

Dear Santa,
Do your go a lot of plases. I want a rase car track. Breg a present for my mom and dad and for my aunt.
Love, Chris Carrillo, Jr.

Dear Santa,
I whanta go-cart. I hop you remember to bering something for my family. Merry Chrismas Santa and remember to bering Mrs. Houston something.
Love, Chad Hutson

Dear Santa,
I will love you if you get me a walkman with a cassette.
Love Ricardo Goff

Dear Santa,
Can you give me a big toy like a car and a truck and a bike and a race car and a real little dog. Merry Christmas Santa.
Love, Francisco Tafoya

Santa Clause,
Do you have an elf name bnard and judy. PS. How are the raindeer down.
Love, Logan

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I want a helmet of the San Francisco 49ers and clothes of the San Francisco 49ers. Do reindeer really fly? Thank you Santa.
Rojelio Sanchez

Dear Santa,
I want a dog, stuffed animals and I want a toy truck.
Michael McLellan

Dear Santa,
How are the reindeers? How do they fly? I want a train. I like you Santa.
Jesus Montanez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want for Chistmas presents, a skatebord, a bike, a typewriter, a football, a lemo, stickers and a car.
Your friend, Ricardo Garcia

Dear Santa,
I want a traplin.
Dustin Thompson

Dear Santa,
I want a barbie, a car if you still have money, a box of candy canes, a present, a book, and a swimming pool.
Your friend, Monisa Bautista

Dear Santa,
I want a nintendo with two cassettes.
Damian Gozlaoz

Dear Santa,
I've been a good girl. I want a jupsi and a baby that crys rember to bring Mrs. Harris somthing and Mrs. Raymond somthing and Mrs. Hoston somthing. Can you bring my dad a 4 wheeler. Can you bring me one of those things that hold your sleeping bag. Merry Chrismas.
Love, Brittany Anthony

Dear Santa,
I love you, Merry Christmas to you. I want go get my mom a new car, get my Dad a new rado and I want a new bike. I do not ava chimney. Get my gramp a nice toolbox and gev my mom and dad a chot gone. And I want nice close remember I love you.
Love, Amber Smock

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. Please bring me some presents. I would like a few toys and some new clothes. Santa please remember to bring Mrs. Houston some presents.
Love, Raul Lopez

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas. Mrs. Raymond has been very good and Mrs. Houston too. I been very very good this year. I want Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Houston and Mrs. Raymond and a Math Book. That's all I want. Oh and my frineds. And pizza hut the techer can eat pizza.
Love, Kristin



IRMA ELENA BALLI Irma Balli Recognized By Mar.-Ed.

By IRMA BALLI
Irma Elena Balli is the daughter of Ovidio, Jr. and Irma Balli. This is her second year in the Marketing Education Program as well as her second year being employed at Bi-Wize Health Mart. She is a 17 year old senior at Friona High School.
By being in the Marketing Education Program, students get some experience working in different job fields. They receive on-the-job training so they can be better workers and deal with business transactions in a more satisfying way. It allows them to go to school and work part time in the mornings or afternoons. It is also a way of teaching students responsibility and helps them make decisions that will affect them in the future. What a privilege these students receive to work in business jobs here in Friona!
Thank you Mike and Claudia Hanes for giving me an opportunity to work and enhance my skills in the business field. I hope to make this another great year.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FRIONA!!!

Week of December 25-31
Friona residents having birthdays next week are:

December 25--Holly Mohr, Bob Hurst, Dr. Bob Sanders, Etoile Holley, Charles Carter, Michael McLellan, Betty Smock.

December 26--Wade Cargile, Lindsey Nicole Jennings, Guy Ellis, Tony Day, Opal Baxter, Gaylord Maurer, Teresa Taylor, Lynda Grimsley, Tyler Peace.

December 27--Joanna Schueler, Johnnie Walters, Roy L. Smith, Micha Duke, Levi Whitney Bandy.

December 28--Allen Stewart, Todd Long, James Chadwick, Sara Zervas.

December 29--Bob Clark, Holly White Schueler, Mabel Jones, Alan Monroe.

December 30--Jerry Goen, Larry Sanders, Jessie Gonzales.

December 31--Bill Ellis, Glenda Ellis, Kenneth Wilhelm, Keith Martin, Joel Landrum, Gwendolyn Maurer, Frankie Lindeman.

Week of January 1-7

January 1--Hack Corbell, Gary Stowers, Jack Clark, Agnes Fulks, Richard Wilson.

January 2--John Bill McFarland, Sunny Horton Ratliff, Dr. Neil Veggeberg, Buford Hartwick, Jose Luis Prieto, Deanna Duke.

January 3--Jennifer Brockman, Marriott Vann Horton, Vickie Kube, Vondale Mann, Jeremy Reed, John Jarecki, Maxine Bolding, David Moseley, Jolynn Tongate.

January 4--Wanda Wilhelm Gibson.

January 5--Courtney Stowers, Carolyn Kaufman.

January 6--Wesley Barnett, Mitch Massey, Randy Lee Sharpe, Megan Conlee.

January 7--Jeff Hamilton, Mike Lamb, Keta Dodson, Harold Taylor, Gloria Turner, Kelli Hamilton.

If you or someone in your family has a birthday coming up soon, call the Friona Star at 247-2211 by Wednesday noon.



CLASS OF 1964....The 1964 Friona High School graduating class held their class reunion in Amarillo, August 6. There were 27 classmates and 14 spouses present. Present were: (back row, left-right) Numan Loafman, Danny Black, David Lee Carson, Lynn Phipps, Eric Rushing, Bill Edelman, Jerry Parker, Glen Herring, Edwin Taylor, Greg Jarrell and Arlen May; (middle row) Paula (Phillips) O'Brien, Marca Lynn (Massie) Herring, Diana (Taylor) Tutor, Wessie Hand, Lois (Moyer) Eitel and Kay (Coffey) McGee; (front row) Rose Ann (Greeson) Ray, Helen (Stowers) Gerner, Mary Ethel (Wilson) Henry, Patricia (Floyd) Wilkins, Carolin (Guinn) Reeve, Carolyn (Herring) Carson and Gary Lou Renner. Other classmates attending, but were not present for the photograph, were Gene Hight, Aaron Drager and Fleta (Smith) Whitman. A spokesman for the class said, "The Class of 1964 wishes everyone a Merry Christmas."

Parmer Crimestoppers To Offer Reward

The Parmer County Crimestoppers will pay up to \$1,000 dollars for information leading to the arrest and indictment of any suspect. If you have any information on any of the following crimes, please call 1-800-774-TIPS.

In Friona, a burglary of a motor vehicle occurred on November 16. A local citizen left his pick-up at Friona Truck and Auto Repair located on Washington Street. After the repairs were made it was placed outside for the owner to pick up. After picking up the vehicle, the owner went to get some tools located in a bed mounted tool box and discovered that around \$250 worth of tools were missing. All tools were craftsman brand.

A burglary of a habitation occurred on December 12 on Euclid Street in Friona. Taken from the residence was \$215 in cash from a bedroom. Entry was gained through an unlocked window. The

owner may have surprised the thief when they returned. A blue Ford pick-up was seen in the area.

Between November 18 and November 21, the Bovina Medical Clinic in Bovina was vandalized. Several lights were broken out on the outside of the building.

Between August 5 and 6, a black durastart battery was taken from a tractor located just south of Kirby Welding in Bovina.

Several reports of vandalism have occurred all over town in Farwell where Christmas lights were damaged.

On November 12, it was discovered that several engine parts were taken from an irrigation engine located West of Lazbuddie. On November 22, it was discovered that some more engine parts had been removed from several irrigation engines located South and East of Lazbuddie. Engine types have been Ford, Chevrolet, and Chrysler.



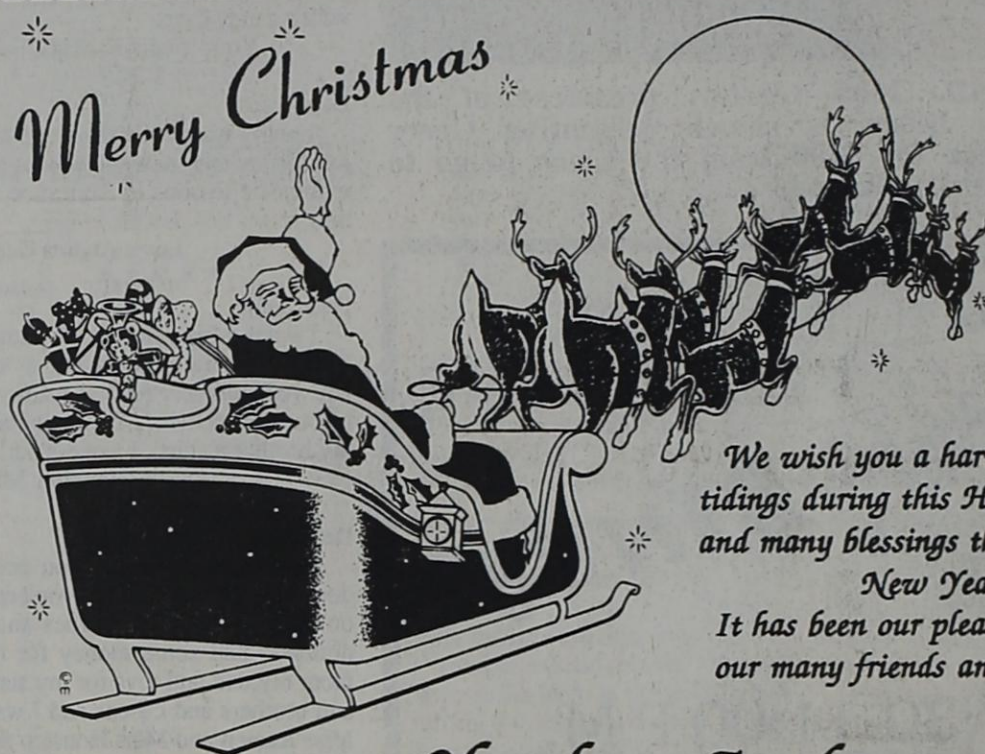
MAY YOUR HOLIDAYS SUIT YOU!

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We wish you a harvest of good tidings during this Holiday Season and many blessings throughout the New Year.

It has been our pleasure to serve our many friends and neighbors.

**Sherley Anderson
Rhea Elevator**

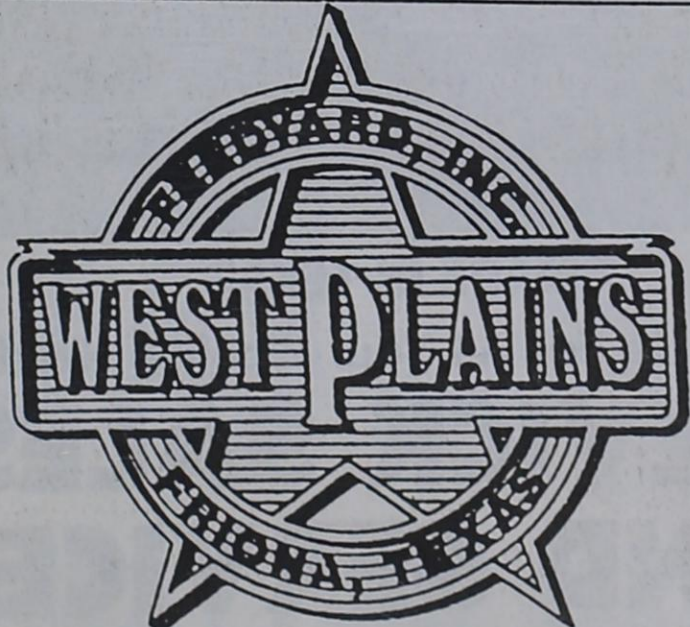


GOD BLESS ALL LIVING CREATURES at CHRISTMASTIME

Our best wishes are with you and yours as we celebrate the Miracle of His birth.

May your spirits be lifted by the beauty of the season, just as ours have been by the privilege of knowing good people like you.

Happy Holidays and many thanks.



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BI-WIZE HEALTH MART--Myrtle Melton (right), winner; and Mike Hanes, owner. **MONTY'S FLOWERS & GIFTS--**Mary Moseley (right), winner; and Monty Allen, owner.

Chamber Promotion Winners --December 10 Drawings--



WYONA'S FLOWERS & GIFTS--Debra Baxter (left), winner; and Wyona Clark, owner. **PERRY'S--**Diane Rogers (right), winner; and Mary Rodriguez, store manager.



COUNTRY CHARM--Tommie Mercer (right), winner; and Johnna Blackburn, owner. **INGRAM'S DEPARTMENT STORE--**Mary Jones of Hereford (right), winner; and Sylvia Ingram, owner.

Club Has Program On State Facts

Modern Study Club met December 6 at the club house. Fifteen members and five guests were present.

President Nellie Shelton presided and gave the welcome. Roll was answered with an interesting fact about Texas. Candace Ingram sang three Christmas songs.

Lois Norwood introduced the program. Barbara Symank discussed some interesting and unusual facts about Texas. Hostesses for the evening were Iona Cook and Hazel Britt.

Santa Letters

Dear Santa,
Since this is my first Christmas, I really don't want much, maybe some clothes and a few toys.

Mostly I want a safe trip for Mommy and Daddy and myself to Friona to see my MeMe, my Aunt Leslee (who is my namesake) and my Great Granny. I hope you have a safe trip from the North Pole around the world.

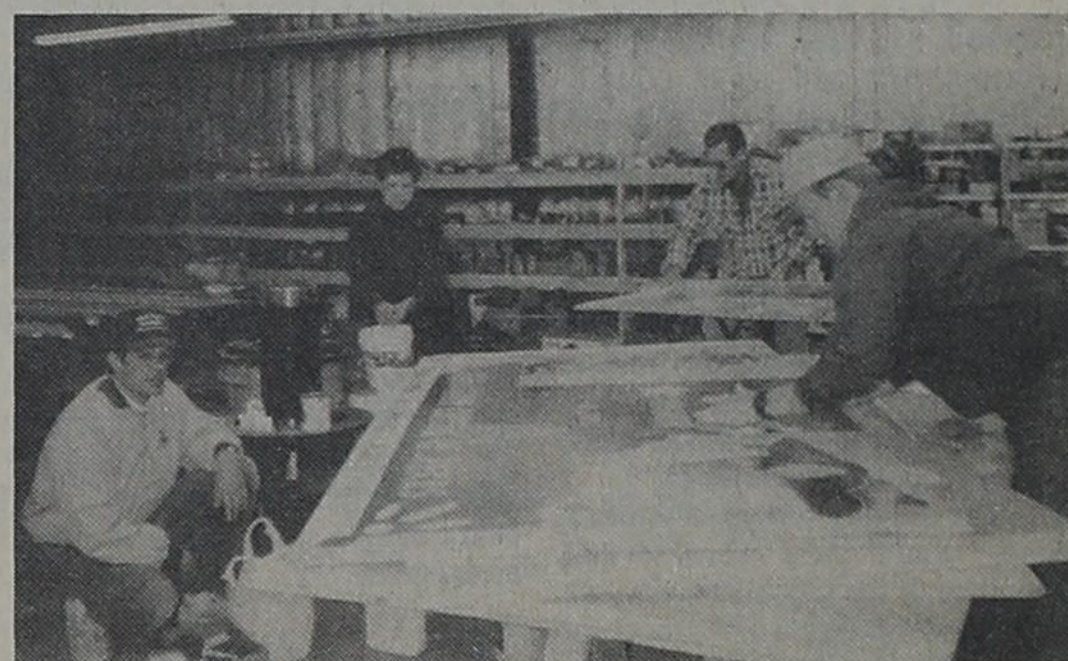
Love, Leslee Amber Roberson
Madison, Tennessee

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Misty Burkart. I want purl and a diamond ring and neckles. How are you doing? Your doing fine aren't you? How are the randir doing? I guess I better get back to taking my shower and baby-sitting.

Love, Misty Burkart



WOMEN'S DIVISION MEETS...The Friona Chamber of Commerce Women's Division held their general meeting December 5 at the Friona State Bank Community Room. The group discussed the many 1994 projects they were involved in and started making preparations for 1995.



MAKING SIGNS...Chamber of Commerce directors (left-right), Bill McCoy, Karen Harrelson, Danny Fiel, Marca Herring (barely visible) and Ricky Barnett are shown preparing signs that will be erected at the east and west city limits of Friona in the near future.

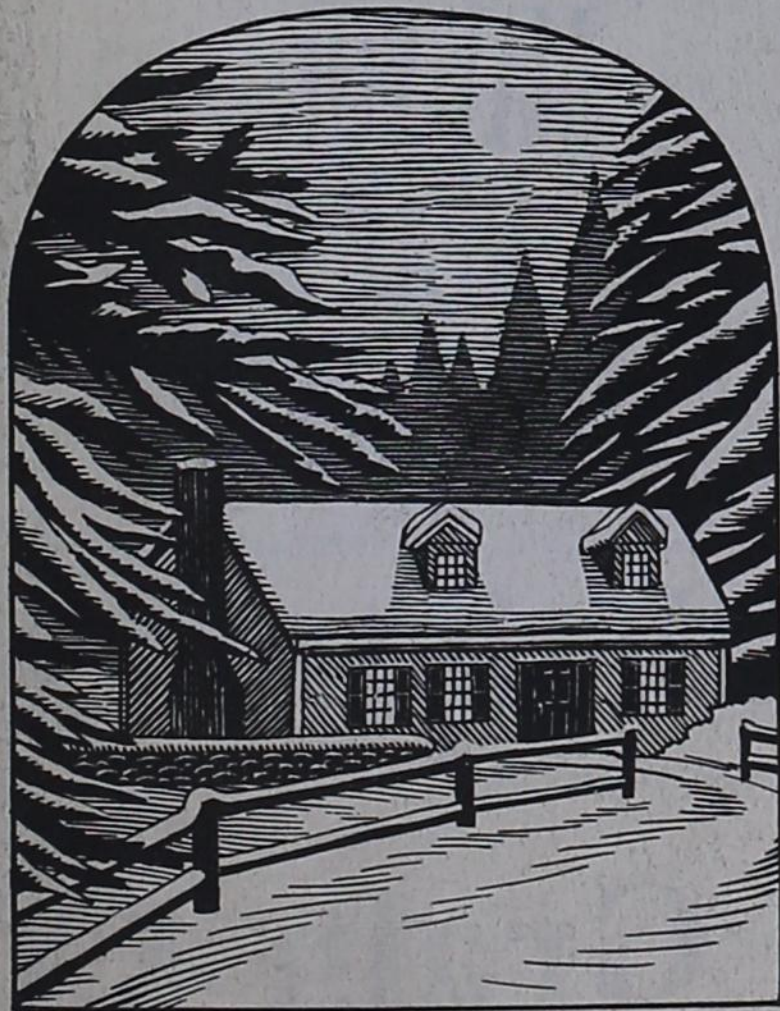
Merry Christmas and Happy Moo New Year!



WE WISH YOU THE VERY BEST DURING THIS HOLIDAY SEASON AND THROUGHOUT THE NEW YEAR.



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May God Bless Your Home This Holiday Season

Wherever you live, may you be visited by faith, love and good fortune in the year to come. We feel blessed to have so many good customers and friends. Thank you for visiting us.

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Did You Know?

By **GEORGE RUSHING**

This last week I attended the wedding of one of my nieces. We were helping with the refreshments for the reception to be held afterward. Everything was ready and we decided we had better be seated, as the wedding was about to start.

Five of us entered the front of the church and were being seated by an usher. The church was already half full as the usher asked if we were friends of the bride or groom. We said bride and he immediately ushered us to the middle of the church and seated us on the right hand side.

We had failed to tell him that we were members of the family, so after about a minute we quietly got up and walked down the side aisle and seated ourselves in the front seats reserved for family.

As we sat there I began to look to the other side of the church and see friends of the bride sitting on that side. Could we be sitting on the wrong side? None of us knew which side the friends of the bride or groom were to sit on.

In fact, concerning proper etiquette, about the only thing I know is that the fork goes on the left side of the plate, and if your head itches, you're not to scratch it, but you are to pull your hair where your head itches. I'll bet some of you didn't know that.

Anyway, in a few minutes we realized we were sitting on the groom's side and in the family section. Now came the question, should we just stay seated and act as if this is where we belong?

Do we quietly stand up and move single file across the center aisle to the other side of the church? Or do we move down the outside aisle to the back of the church and then down the other side aisle to the family section of the bride?

The service would begin any time. Since there were several members of the groom's family, we decided we needed to make room for them. We five got up and slowly moved to the back of the church, stepped across the back and then down to the front of the church and into the pews reserved for the bride's family. One gentleman commented as we passed, "Having a

hard time finding your seats?" Well we made it and before the service was to begin, too.

It was a beautiful wedding with the church decorated for Christmas. Red was everywhere, red cushions for the pews, red dresses on the bridesmaids, red roses, red poinsettias. It was beautiful.

What does this have to do with our Christian faith? First of all, if you are born again into the family of God, then there is a place reserved in heaven for you, and the ushers (angels) will know exactly where you belong. We are the Bride of Christ.

Second, don't take things this Christmas season so serious. It has been said that Christmas is one of the most depressing times of the year for some. Don't let it be. We celebrate Christ's birth.

Let us remember, Christ is not in the grave, neither is He the baby in the manger any longer. He came and completed the work that God had given Him to do. Today He is seated at the right hand of God to continuously make intercession for those who are His. It is a time for celebration.

And if you see me around town pulling my hair, don't worry, I haven't gone crazy, my head just itches.

Psalm 16:11--"Thou wilt make known to me the path of life. In thy presence is fullness of joy; In thy right hand there are pleasures forever.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I want a toy that looks like you, I want a Staryformy Christmas tree.
Thank you, Elvira

Dear Santa,
I wondered if you are a person but I wate a nises bike that never gets flat thats why because I can every day. I still wondered if you are a person.
Claudio Trujillo

Dear Santa,
Do you come to Friona? In Christmas? Who are you? Do the penguin like you? Would you bring me a game gear?
Alex Cruz



ATTEND OPEN HOUSE....A large number of customers and employees of D.L.'s Thriftway are shown in the above photos as they enjoyed goodies prepared by the staff during Tuesday's Christmas Open House.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a skate board, motorcycle, pick-up, bike, swimming pool, and elves clothes. It seems to be a long time for Christmas.
Love ya, Gloria Burkart

Dear Santa,
Can you bring me Barbie clothes or some popicles like the other time or a litt toy. That's all.
Good-bye, Erandy Lara

Dear Santa,
I want a seaga, a gamegear, football, a 6 x 6 remot control car, a TV, and skates.
See you later, Derek Fairweather

Cancer Center Sets Breast Screening

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and High Plains Baptist Hospital will again conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic in Friona at Parmer County Hospital, 1307 Cleveland on January 18 from 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to boosting your chances of winning the battle against cancer are early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing breast self-exam each month.

Each participant at our screening will receive a breast exam and one-to-one instruction in breast self-examination by a Registered Nurse specially trained in breast cancer detection, and a mammogram by a mammography technician. Our program is certified by the

FDA, American College of Radiology and the State Health Departments of Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico.

The American Cancer Society urges all women to have their first mammogram by age 40. Those who have a close relative with breast cancer or other risk factors may be asked by their doctor to have a mammogram at an earlier age.

The total cost of the screening is \$70.00. Ask about funding that is available for free breast screenings and mammograms.

Please call the Women's Center at Harrington Cancer Center at 1-800-377-HOPE or (806) 359-4673 today for more information or to schedule an appointment.

December 17 Winners Are Announced

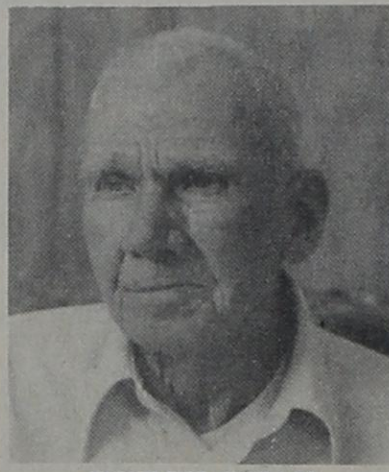
The 1994 Christmas promotion, sponsored by the Friona Chamber of Commerce, held its final weekly drawings this Saturday, December 17.

"Ho! Ho! Home for the Holidays" is an annual promotion sponsored by local retail merchants, in an effort to promote shopping at home.

The drawings for \$50 were held at each of the participating stores. Each winner had to be present at the drawing to receive the \$50 in Friona Bucks at the store where the winning name was drawn.

Winners in the December 17 drawings were: Ingram's Department Store--Pam Hamilton; On Eagles' Wings--Pam Hamilton; W.H. TV & Appliance--Wessie Hand; An Added Touch--Raymond Delgado; Bi-Wize Health Mart--Myrtle Melton; Brockman Sales--James Pope.

Also, Lakeside Parts & Machine--Roger Nelson; Perry's--Leola Summerlin; Monty's Flowers & Gifts--Tommie Mercer; Country Charm--Becky Mays; D.L.'s Thriftway--Mary Colunga; Wyona's Flowers & Gifts--Hannah Lookingbill.



DUTCH DEAN Dutch Dean Is Buried Dec. 22

Funeral services were held in Friona's Union Congregational Church, Thursday, December 22 at 10:30 a.m. for Dutch Dean, 84, of Friona.

The Rev. Herman Krauel, pastor, officiated at the services, which were conducted by Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Born June 25, 1910 in Wellington, Texas, he married Sarah Schlenker on September 9, 1933 in Clovis, New Mexico. He died Tuesday, December 20, 1994 at Parmer County Community Hospital.

Mr. Dean had been a Parmer County resident since 1930, moving here from Wellington, Texas. He was a member of the Union Congregational Church of Friona and was a retired farmer.

Survivors include his wife, Sarah, of Friona; three daughters, Florence Sifford of Bella Vista, Arkansas, Gladys Spring of Bovina and Lindy Varner of Phoenix, Arizona; three sisters, Ruby Sullivan of Littlefield, Grace Ridings of Pampa, Texas and Sylvia Shaw of Victorville, California.

Six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren also survive.



JANET RENAЕ REDWINE...Janet Renae Redwine received her Master of Science degree, majoring in social work, on Sunday, December 18 on the campus of the University of Texas at Arlington. She is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Carrol Redwine and granddaughter of Nina Redwine of Bovina and Mr. and Mrs. M.T. Butts of Quanah, Texas. Janet is a 1989 graduate of Perryton High School and received her Bachelor of Science degree in social science from Howard Payne University, Brownwood, in May 1993.

On January 2, she will begin her employment as a coordinator with the Senior Citizens of Greater Dallas.

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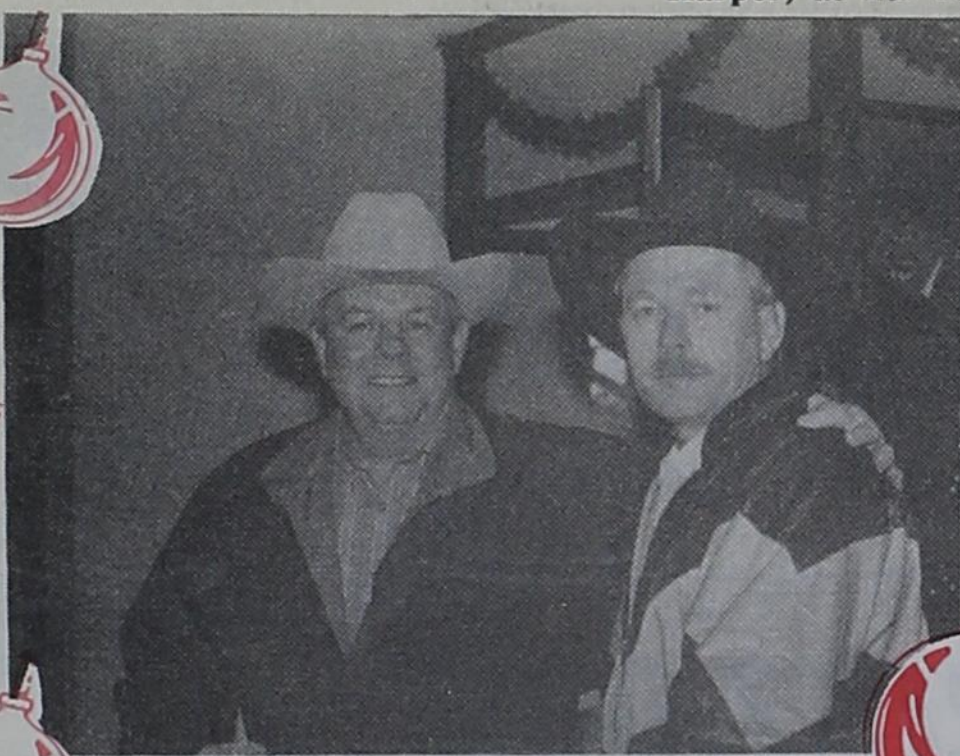
These photos were taken at the Bank Christmas Tea and Charlene Harper's retirement reception, both held December 16.



Robert Neelley, Bank President, is shown presenting a gift to Charlene Harper, at her retirement reception.



Employees....Reta Martin, Larry Knowles, Charlene Harper and Jerry Hinkle.



Bank Director Wesley Barnett and Jayson Grimsley.



Charlene Harper's Family...Lowery Harper, David Harper, Charlene, Darlene and Donna.



Patsy Talley, Charlene Harper, Baker Duggins and Joe Talley.



Charlene's Family, Jewell Wells, Zora Gaede, Robert Neelley, Bill Burnam, Marca Lynn Herring, Debra Baxter and Mavis Burnam.



Charlene Harper, retiring from the Bank after 25 years, is shown here with Lisa Weatherly.



Nola Faye Vestal, Charlene Harper and Claire Blanco.



BRUCE AND GRACE PARR

Parmer County Pioneer Couple Return To Days Of The Old West

By Carol Ellis

Most people don't start an entirely new career when they are in their mid-sixties, but then most people aren't Friona's own home-grown, sassy Santa Claus known as Bruce Parr.

Bruce has been a farmer all his life but he has been collecting old wagons, buggies, antique farm implements, old blacksmithing tools, etc. for many years. Plus, he has always enjoyed working with large animals such as mules, horses, oxen and the like.

Then in the early 1980s, people started asking him to put some of his antique vehicles into area parades, so Bruce formed a small company known as the "Tejas KIID Express" and went into this as a business. He now considers himself to be a wagoner, a mule-skinner and a blacksmith.

By the way, the KIID in the firm's name is the initials of the Parrs' four children, Kim, Ira, Iva and Donna.

Bruce's wagons and other outfits always win trophies and prizes when they are entered in parades, but he usually gives the trophies to his grandkids. He made a fair living at working with people on entertainment events and promotions of various sorts with his wagon business but Bruce says after the oil business went "bust" he hasn't done very well with it.

He worked with the Texas Sesquicentennial Committee in 1985 and took his rigs to a lot of big places to publicize that event. He was in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in '85 when it rained four inches and the temperature was 34 degrees, so the parade wasn't a big success that year and the photos taken at the parade were not especially good.

Following the Macy's parade, Bruce and crew loaded up the animals and the stagecoach and drove all night in a blizzard to make it to Chicago the next day for an appearance in the McDonald's Charity Parade there.

He has customized a 40 foot long trailer which will hold the stagecoach and mules. He pulls this with a pickup as he travels across country to various events. He has appeared in just about every major parade in the state of Texas, Wyoming and Colorado.

Most of Parr's old vehicles are true antiques, but a few have been repaired and some have had to be modernized for travel on paved roads and the like.

But the bright red stagecoach which is his trademark was specially built by hand to authentic specifications. It took the builder ten months to make it. The entire coach is made of wood, just like in the early days, except the wheel bearings are modern and it has hydraulic brakes on front and back wheels. The outer skin of the coach is not painted red. It is red fiberglass so it won't ever wear out or get scarred up.

His real pride and joy is an antique conestoga wagon built around 1850 or earlier. This piece is in mint condition, never repaired, and can be hooked up and pulled just like in the early days.

"The few conestogas that are still around are just a pile of splinters," Parr noted. He says most people are not as interested in seeing this one, because it is not as "showy" as some of his other pieces.

Also in his current inventory are several types of buggies and surreys.

He has a spring freight wagon which came from Minnesota, plus a lot of old blacksmith tools and farm equipment like bull-wheel binders and an old horse-powered mill for grinding grain or making molasses.

He still has the wagon that his daddy drove when he came to the plains and the anvil that he brought with it, plus the wagon that his wife's family came in from Oklahoma.

Parr has driven his vehicles in some pretty fancy weddings in Amarillo and other places. He drove singer-actress Carol Lawrence in the

Cotton Bowl Parade in Dallas one year and nearly every summer he does rides for tourists who stop at the Big Texan in Amarillo.

He grows a beautiful white beard, totally natural, every year around Christmas time so he will look more like Santa Claus as he takes various groups on hay rides, Christmas Caroling, Santa rides and the like.

Diane Dick in Amarillo has used him in her modeling agency as a Santa Claus for several years and he has done Santa rides for Wolflin Village in Amarillo.

He drove Gerald McCathern all around through his district when he was running for congress a few years back. Then Bruce took a lot of his equipment to the Town and Country Days at Tom Christian's ranch on the rim of Palo Duro Canyon, plus he has worked quite a bit with the museum in Canyon.

Working with the animals must be in his blood because Bruce is a natural at it. He understands that animals, especially mules, have to be handled properly. He says there is always a lot of noise connected with being in parades and this can spook an animal which does not have the proper handler. There were a lot of fireworks during the Cotton Bowl Parade but he didn't have any trouble with the animals at all.

He currently has about 20 mules and six horses. His eight matched palomino mules are quite a sight and are very rare animals.

At one time he had a team of ten oxen which was really impressive. He took this team to Cotton Bowl parade, too.

Bruce notes that the oxen were pretty old when he got them. They came from the lumber business in the swamps of Mississippi. Bruce says he learned a lot about working with oxen from old Tom Jasper who ran a freight hauling business in Friona until 1948 and he used oxen to pull the freight.

Bruce's oxen began to get too heavy and old for their joints to hold them up. Out of kindness to the animals he had to have them

slaughtered but he had their hides tanned and has kept a few of them. Some of the hides were as big as a king-size bedspread.

Bruce took some of his vehicles to Albuquerque one summer where son Ira and family live. Then Bruce, Grace, Ira and family all appeared as extras in a made-for-TV movie, "Sparks," which was being filmed there.

Victoria Principal was the major star of the film in which she played a lady mayor of Albuquerque. It was shot just north of the town on a river where there are some lovely old mansions. The movie was a pilot to introduce a new TV series which the backers hoped would take off and be as popular as the "Dallas" series, but Bruce says it never did get that far.

The "Lonesome Dove" people have contacted Parr and asked him to bring his equipment out to the Big Bend Country where they will soon be filming another sequel to that popular TV movie, but he is still in negotiation and has not finalized the deal.

There will be another statewide wagon train next year and Bruce is planning to participate. 1995 will be the 150th anniversary of Texas USA Statehood and this wagon train will be for celebrating and publicizing this historical event.

Bruce and Grace Parr are both pioneers of Parmer County. His parents, J. W. and Josephine Parr, came to Friona in 1919 with their six children, of which Bruce was

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PARADE PRIZES---The banner which went with Bruce Parr and his stagecoach to the Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade ten years ago is shown here in the background. He is holding a trophy from the Permian Basin Parade and several ribbons are shown above. Parr gives most of his trophies and prizes to his grandkids.

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THE FORMULA FOR THE FUTURE

Jerry Ware Makes Her Holiday Preparations

By SCOOTER RUSSELL
It took several moves and a number of years for this lovely, dark-eyed lady to be living in her pretty duplex in Bovina. Jerry Ware began life May 13, 1905 only three hours from Bovina in Hansford, Texas.

This is the old town of Spearman that was first called Hansford and when the railroad moved across country the town moved about three miles in another location and changed its name to Spearman. The only thing at the old townsite is the cemetery.

Jerry's parents were Tom Ben Windom and Frances Tennessee Douglas. Her mom came from Tennessee and her dad came from Farmersville, Oklahoma.

Dr. Lancaster of Clovis delivered all the boys at the clinic except Jimmie, and he was born at home. Jerry said she just decided she wanted to have that one at home but before he came she thought that might not be a good idea.

Jerry had four brothers and one sister. They were: E.J., Clell, Clyde, Cloyd and Imogene. While living in Spearman, Imogene, E.J., Jerry and Clyde were born in a dugout.

She and Earl joined the Methodist Church and were both baptized at N.L. Tharp's tank. It was located near the Bob Wilson place. She said it was a beautiful day and there was group singing.

Her father was a rancher and farmed some land but mostly raised cattle. He raised broomcorn and milo. She said during the depression years they ate lots of cornbread because flour was rationed along with several other items during World War I.

Earl farmed and the couple lived at McLean the first year they were married. Then they moved to a place between Clovis and Farwell. This was Gus Ware's place and Gus was Earl's brother.

Jerry graduated from high school in Springfield, Colorado and went to business college in Wichita, Kansas for three months before her mother suffered a stroke and she had to quit school, return to their hometown and help her father care for her mother.

Then the couple moved to a farm on the Grady Highway and lived for a time. She said this was the only time their home was broken into and the only thing taken was a brick-pattern quilt.

Jerry said her mother lived six more years before she died. She was paralyzed on one side so her dad had to help with her.

After they moved from the Grady Highway farm, they moved to a rented place at Pleasant Hill and farmed for Mr. Jarrel, located six miles west. While living there, they had a school teacher who lived with them for two years but they haven't stayed in touch with her.

Jerry said she and her husband, Earl, had to go together for three years because of her mother's illness and she felt she had to wait. They were married March 27, 1931 at Estancia, New Mexico by a Presbyterian preacher in a barber

shop. The witness was the preacher's wife.

country, but kept their place here and moved back a year later.

They built a new home and it is now where Grandson Pat and his wife, Donna Ware, live. Later they swapped houses with son, Tom and Sandy, and moved to town.

Earl became ill one day and she took him to the hospital in Friona. She said Earl reached up and pulled her to him, kissed her and told her he was going to go.

She said she told him that he wasn't going anywhere but he laid back and died. She said it was such a shock but now she realized what a blessing it was to die so easy without too much suffering.

After Earl passed away, she moved to the Bill Thornton place for a couple of years and loved the country. Then moved back to town and built the duplex where she has lived since 1965.

Jerry is the mother of three sons, grandmother of ten and great-grandmother of seventeen. She said she had attended all the grandchildren's high school graduations and been to all their weddings.

She has quilted all her grandchildren a quilt and has one for Grandson Todd's wedding shower. She said she worked on it while he was little and he helped her with the stitches and she left the part that he had sewn.

When she was a small girl, she remembers her father would always get a big box of apples and oranges at Christmas, and sometimes they would get a little toy.

They would have a Christmas tree decorated with strands of popcorn or cranberries. They usually had something special at church and received a little sack of candy. She said this was a real treat because they seldom got candy.

Jerry has been in several organizations. She is a member of the United Methodist Women's group, a quilting club and the Thrifty Club at one time. She is president of the Senior Citizens organization for the second time.

Jerry loves to travel and has been many miles. She went to Europe twice, Hawaii twice, Guam, Mexico City, Washington state, Salt Lake City, Alaska, Canada and the Bahamas.

Jerry has many friends and loves visiting, crocheting and is now knitting.

She is looking forward to spending Christmas with both her

sons in Bovina. She will have a meal with Leon and Shirley and family before Christmas and on Christmas Day, she will be with Tom and Sandy.

She still loves to cook and said she would cook as long as she could because she enjoys it so much, especially making homemade bread.

During the holidays, she always makes the "Overnight Salad" for special times. Mix:

- 2 eggs
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon flour
- 1 teaspoon butter
- 1 cup pineapple

Cook until thick, stirring constantly. Set aside to cool. Add:
1 cup pineapple, cut up
1 cup nut, chopped
2-1/2 cups marshmallows
1 can No. 2 white Royal Ann cherries, cut up



EARLY CHRISTMAS....Jerry Ware admires an early Christmas present from Granddaughter Carol of Austin. She plans to spend Christmas in Bovina with members of her family.

- **** ***** *****
- 1 pint whipped cream
 - Mix together and let set overnight. Will serve twenty.
- *****
- WHITE FRUIT CAKE**
- 2 cups sugar
 - 1 cup butter
 - 4 cups flour
 - 1 cup blanched almonds
 - 1 teaspoon baking powder
 - Whites of 8 eggs
 - 1 cup candied pineapple
 - 1 cup candied cherries
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Bruce Parr's Family Members Are Pioneers Of Our Area

(Continued from Page 1-A) the baby, having been born that same year over in Castro County.

The Parr family started out in Montague County and moved to the Amarillo area around the turn of the century. J. W. Parr drove a horse-drawn Watkins wagon route from the Pecos River on up into Oklahoma.

When they arrived in Parmer County the family lived in a sod house for awhile. Bruce says there were only about ten houses in Friona and no streets had yet been cut out. The Parrs bought and farmed a section of land north of Friona and later J. W. Parr went into business with O. G. Turner.

These two enterprising businessmen started several firms in Friona including a farm implement house, automobile dealership, movie house, hardware store, real estate and insurance.

Grace's parents, Ira and Grace Miller, came to the Parmer County area about seven or eight years after the Parr family came. Grace was the youngest of a family of eight children.

Bruce says he first met Grace when she was five years old and her father brought her with him over to the Parr place to buy some milk pen calves. Bruce thought she was the prettiest little thing he ever laid eyes on and "I set my cap for her right then," he says.

Grace says she doesn't remember that, but the two of them dated all through high school in Friona. He worked at the movie theater then, where all the teens like to hang out on Saturday.

Bruce graduated from Friona High School in 1937 and Grace in 1939. These two childhood sweethearts have been married for 55 years.

Grace was also the youngest of her family of eight youngsters. The Millers came from the area of Woodward County Oklahoma where most the older children remained when the family brought the three youngest, Claude, Maesie and Grace, to Parmer County.

These three attended school at Lakeview where their dad served on the school board for many years.

Later they went to high school in Friona.

Johnny Miller, Grace's nephew, still farms the land where the Miller family first settled in Parmer County. Maisie Flynn, Grace's sister, is a long-time resident of Bovina.

Descendants of the older Miller children who stayed in Oklahoma are still farming the land in Woodward County which has been in the family since the Cherokee Land Run of 1893.

Grace says she doesn't go in for the old west routine like Bruce does. But she has gone along with him on many of his trips.

A few years ago when they traveled in a motor home, Grace took up the hobby of needlepoint. She has put many hours into a beautiful three foot by five foot rug which adorns the living room at the Parr home east of Black.

Bruce says Grace is also just about the best cook in these parts or anywhere else.

Bruce and Grace are members of Friona's First Baptist Church and were quite active in civic things during the time their children were growing up. Grace was a member of the Black Study Club, Lakeview Home Demonstration Club and Modern Study Club, president of PTA and involved in sponsoring all sorts of school activities.

Bruce has been connected with many of the agricultural organizations of the area and served on the school board at Black for many years until the school was consolidated with Friona. He is past president of the local Lions Club and past president of the Friona Chamber of Commerce.

The Parrs have four children, 16 grandchildren and four little great-grandsons.

Ira Bruce Parr is the oldest of their brood. He started to school at Black, finished school at Friona and then attended college at Texas Tech and LCC. He married Wynette Beaton and they now live in Albuquerque where he has a chain of western stores there.

Iva Ben Parr came along five and a half years later. She went

through school in Friona, got her degree at Tech and taught school for awhile in Bovina. She also taught college English at Tarleton College in Stephenville.

Then she married John Foster and they moved to the Ft. Worth area where she now works for a publishing house that publishes college text books.

Donna Jo Parr went to college at Southwestern State University at San Marcos and got her masters degree at the University of Texas. She taught English at the University at Edinburg. She is married to Trev Sparks and they have an auto dealership in McAllen.

Kim Parr went to college at Utah University at Logan, Utah. He married Cece Lewis and they moved to Landrum, South Carolina to be near her parents, former Friona residents Nelson and Lucille Lewis.

Kim finished his degree at the University of South Carolina at Spartanburg. He is a certified intensive care nurse.

Grace says her greatest joy is in getting to visit the kids and the grandkids in all these various places. They usually go to Albuquerque to see the Fall colors in New Mexico every year and they are planning to spend Christmas with Ira and family there this year.

She says the colors of the red maples are beautiful in South Carolina where Kim and family live at the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Donna Jo and group live right on a river in the middle of bluebonnet country, so it is great to visit there in the springtime, plus they have a place on the beach at Port Isabell.

When they go to visit Iva Ben and her family, Grace enjoys going to sporting events, plays, shows and musicals in the Dallas/Ft. Worth area.

Bruce says his main goal now is to spend the rest of his days showing his old vehicles and animals as a teaching tool for both children and adults, because this sort of thing is a part of our heritage but it is dying out. In a



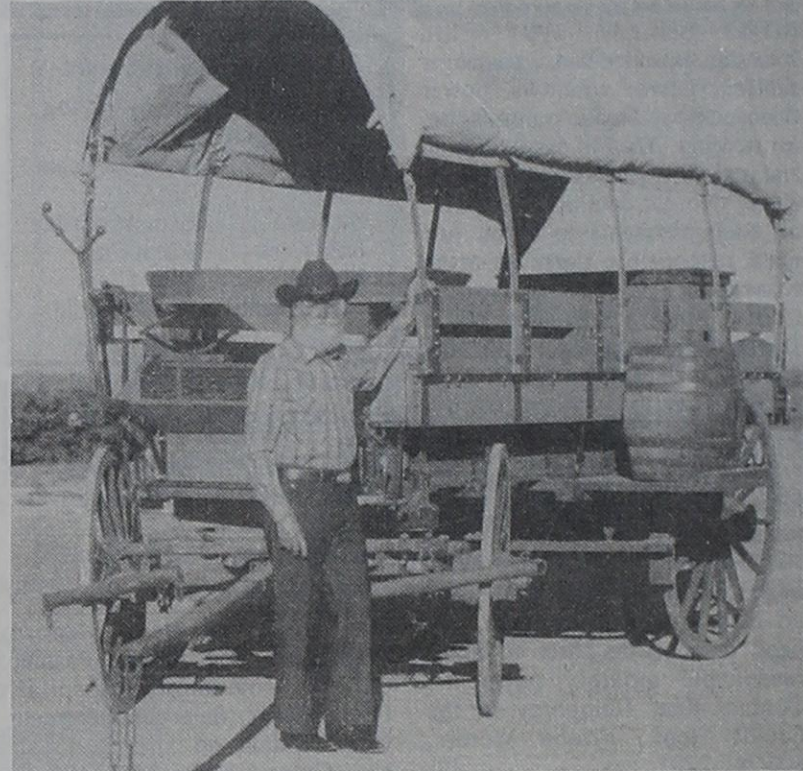
THE STAGE COACH---Grace and Bruce Parr are posed here on the rim of Palo Duro Canyon with their red stagecoach and team of palomino mules.

few years no one will know anything about what hitches to use, which tack is for which animal, how to train and handle the animals, etc.

Bruce also took his gear to El Paso once to visit former Friona residents, David and Gladys McVey. Gladys was teaching in El Paso at that time and Bruce set up the equipment at her school and put on a program for the school children.

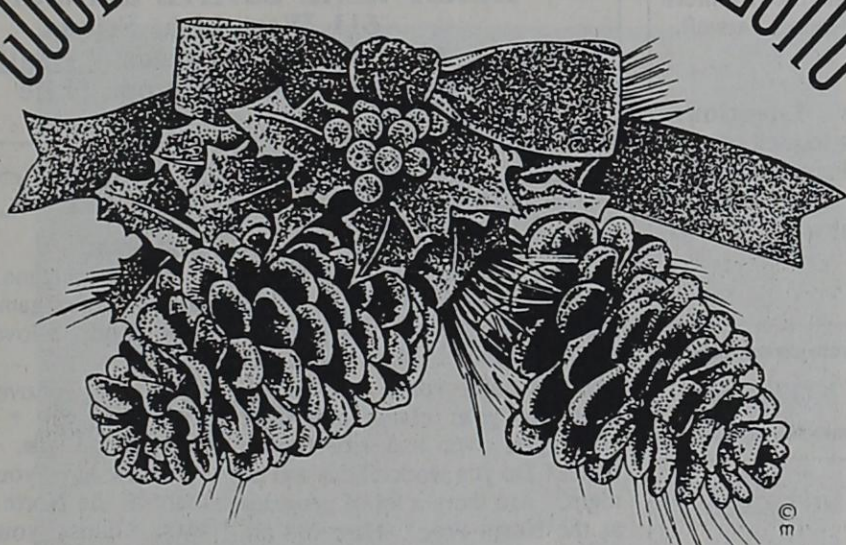
As each class would come out to walk among the wagons and animals, he told them about the history of these things and how they played a part in settling this country. He has also done the program for Iva Ben's school in Ft. Worth.

Bruce says he would like to do a similar program for the schools in Friona, Bovina, Hereford, Dimmitt, Muleshoe, Lazbuddie and others in this area, all in one week, if possible; Friona one day, Bovina the next day, and so on. This would be better than having to put everything up and then in a week or so get it all back out again.



CHUCK WAGON---Bruce Parr is shown here with the authentic chuck wagon which he built from scratch with all brass fittings.

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Laney Receives Award; Coalition Officers Elected

Texas Speaker of the House Pete Laney on November 17 was recognized for his efforts in creating a pro-business environment in the South Plains and Panhandle regions of Texas.

Laney received an award from the communities that make up the High Ground of Texas economic development coalition during the group's annual meeting and seminar in Lubbock.

Friona is a member of the High Ground of Texas coalition.

Laney has been Speaker of the House nearly two years. Since he was elected, Laney has worked to change the House rules, creating a more open legislative environment. This new environment has allowed for the passage of laws which support economic development and job creation.

Also at the meeting, Rod Ellis was elected president of the High Ground of Texas. Ellis is the director of economic development for the City of Lubbock.

Other 1995 officers are Mike Carr of Hereford, vice president; Grady Elder of Plainview, treasurer; and Myron McCartor of Peryton,

secretary.

New directors for the year are Elder, Marty Mangum of Littlefield, Dave Marr of Muleshoe, and Lori Vincent of Stratford.

Outgoing President Rick Osburn said 10,000 new jobs have been created in the South Plains and Panhandle areas in the last year.

"The High Ground of Texas in essence markets the state of Texas," said Rick Osburn, 1994 High Ground president. "Under Speaker Laney's leadership, we have a lot to offer to businesses looking to locate in Texas, particularly in this region." Southwestern Public Service Company provides administrative support for the coalition.

The High Ground of Texas includes 25 communities that work together to bring economic growth to the region. Communities with membership in the High Ground are Amarillo, Borger, Brownfield, Canyon, Dalhart, Denver City, Dimmitt, Dumas, Floydada, Friona, Gruver, Hereford, Lamesa, Levelland, Littlefield, Lubbock, Morton, Muleshoe, Pampa, Peryton, Plainview, Slaton, Spearman, Stratford and Tahoka.

The Night Before Christmas In Texas

'Twas the night before Christmas in Texas you know,
Way out on the prairie without any snow,
Asleep in their cabin were Buddy and Sue,
A dreaming of Christmas, like me and like you.
Not stockings, but boots, at the foot of their bed,
For this was in Texas--what more need be said?
When all of a sudden, from out the still night,
There came such a ruckus it gave me a fright!
And I saw cross the prairie like a shot from a gun,
A loaded up buckboard come on at a run.
The driver was "geein" and "hawin" with a will
The hosses (not reindeer) he drove with such skill.
"Come on there, Buck, Pancho, and Prince, to the right.
There'll be plenty of travelin' for you-all tonight!"
The driver in levis and shirt that was red,
Had a ten-gallon Stetson on top of his head.
As he stepped from the buckboard he was really a sight.
With his beard and moustaches so curly and white.
As he burst in the cabin the children awoke,
And both so astonished that neither one spoke.
And he filled up their boots with such presents galore
That neither could think of a single thing more.
When Buddy recovered the use of his jaws,
He asked in a whisper, "Are you Santa Claus?"
"Am I the real Santa? Well what do you think?"
And he smiled as he gave a mysterious wink.
Then he leapt in his buckboard and called back in his drawl,
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DPS Troopers Make Plans For New Year's

During this upcoming 1995 New Year's holiday period, all available Department of Public Safety Troopers will be on patrol in an effort to reduce, both by their presence and actions, violations that could lead to accidents. It is only through the help and cooperation of the motoring public, by their self-compliance, that the needed reduction of death and destruction can be realized.

The Troopers of the Department of Public Safety are urging all motorists that if you are going to a party this New Year's Eve to plan your trips ahead. Take that designated driver with you. Remember, if you drink, don't drive, if you drive, don't drink.

If you are hosting a party during this holiday period, be a responsible host and don't push alcoholic beverages on people.

Have more to drink than alcohol, such as soft drinks and fruit drinks. Above all, don't let a person drive away from your party after he has had too much to drink.

The Texas Department of Public Safety wants everyone to enjoy the holiday period, but don't make the same mistake that so many have made by saying, "It will never happen to me," because it can. Have a safe, healthy and happy New Year.

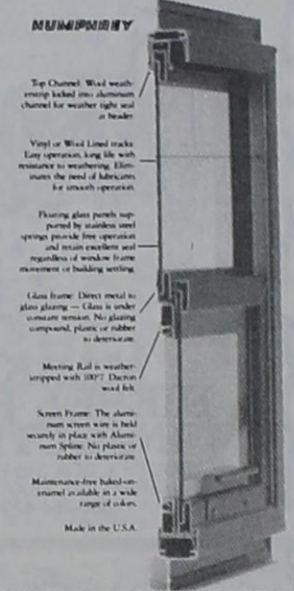
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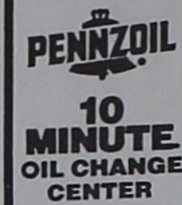
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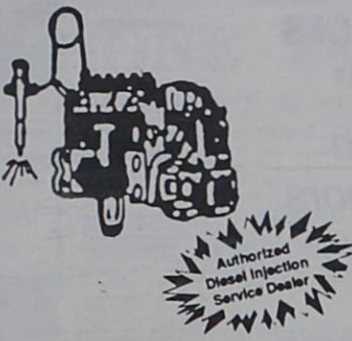


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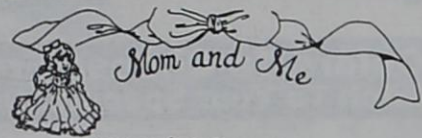
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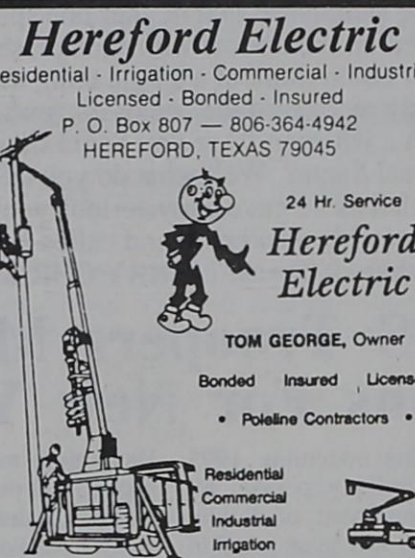
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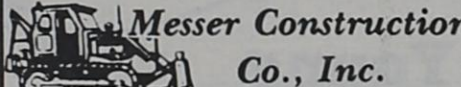
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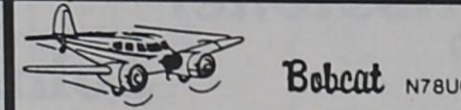
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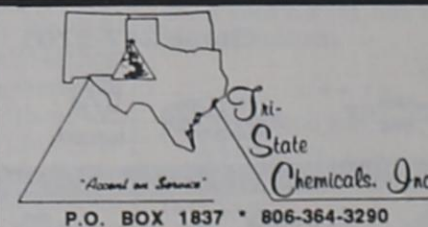
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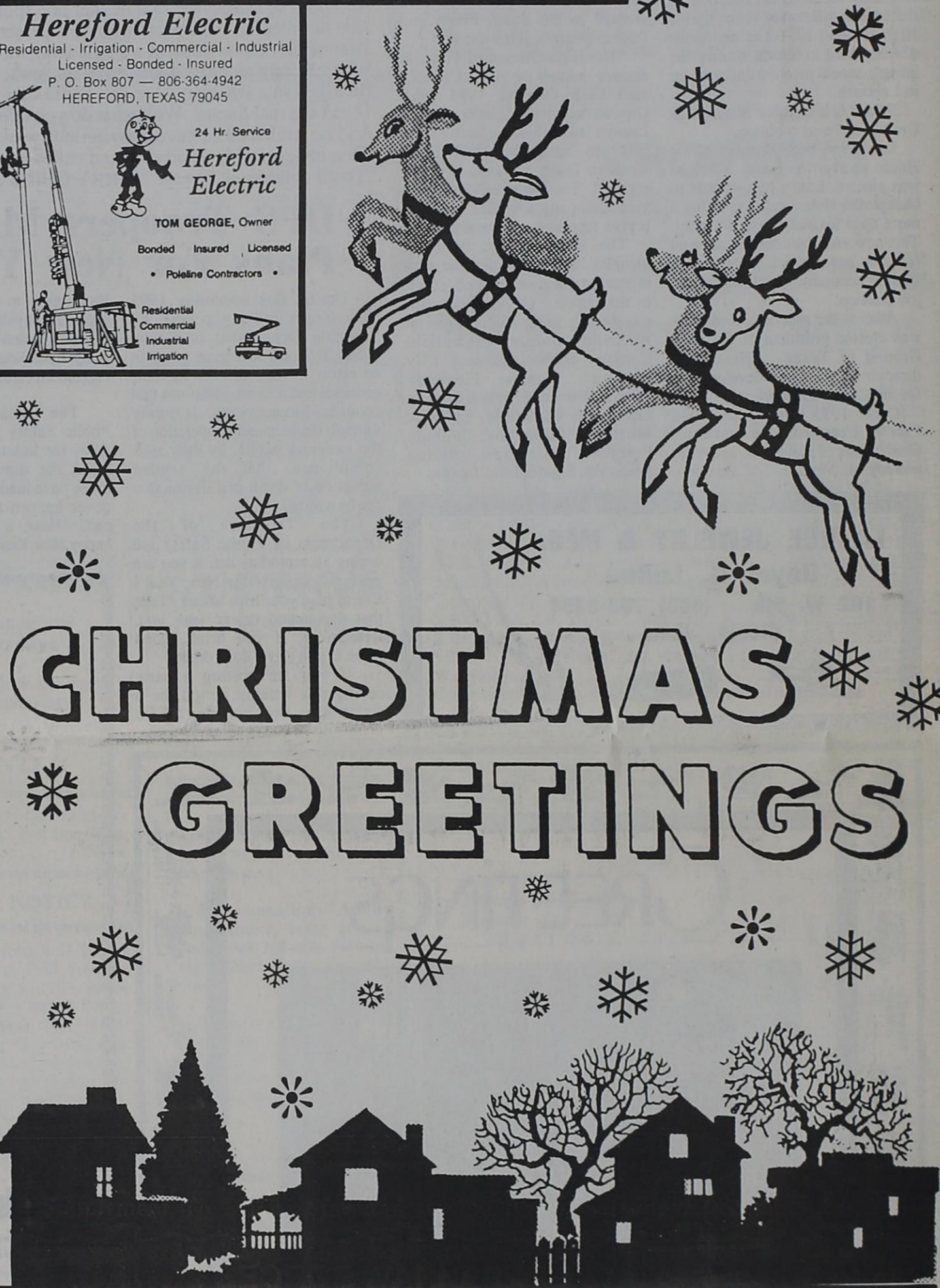
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HOW THEN SHALL WE CROSS THE SEA, MOSES?!

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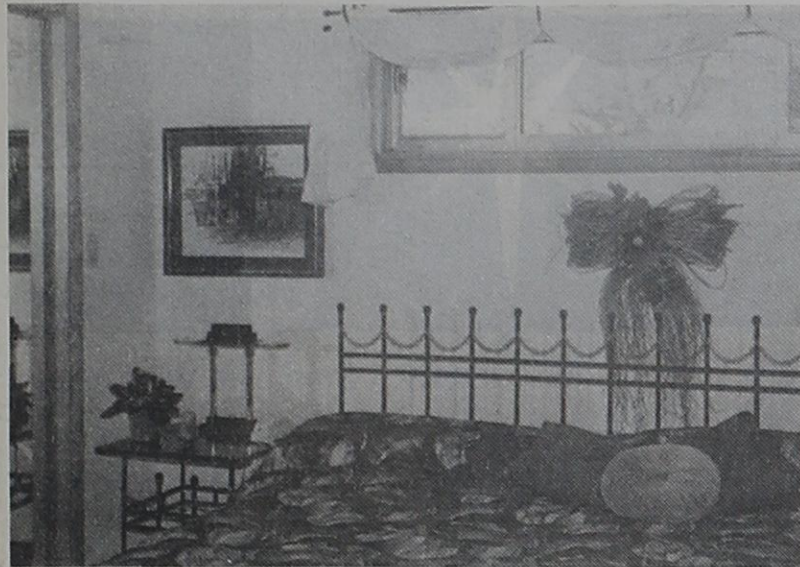
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Love, Erica Wyly

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