

# A MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE!

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### Home Towner

BY JACK SCOTT

R. Anderson, who retired to the mercantile trade as Cross Plains manager, appears to have none of his business acumen as a result of 25 years in transient service.

The transient stopped at his store on Highway 36 recently and admired a calendar (from Higginbothams) hanging on the wall.

"Would you sell that picture," he asked.

"The year's about gone; I can't sell it," replied the merchant.

"The picture was offered and the year was consumed. I can't sell it," replied the merchant.

"Demand for used calendars isn't great."

### Christmas Makes Fools of Those Who Claim That God Is Dead

On Christmas Day a soldier in Viet Nam, dirty with jungle mud and blood, will tear open a letter from home. For a few moments he will forget his bone-aching fatigue, remembering boyhood days with his family and the excitement of getting and giving gifts.

The sour-sweat smell of barracks and the dank green odor of jungle camps will be replaced by the remembrance of white sheets on the old bed at home on Christmas Eve, the pungence of Christmas trees and the aroma of food from mother's kitchen. The illusion will be gone even before the letter is finished and that soldier will long for peace, more than you or I who have never lived on a battlefield can ever long for peace, and he may weep for a meaning that has gone out of his life.

As long as that soldier feels joy from no more than the reading of a letter on a battlefield, or has hope expressed as a longing for peace, or repents through tears for lost meaning, we know that God is alive.

### 107 Students On Honor Roll

One hundred and seven students at Cross Plains schools finished the second six-week period with a general average of 90 or more. Eighty of the honor students are in elementary grades and 27 are high schoolers.

The sixth grade led all other classes in school with 22 on the select list.

The complete roll by grades is as follows:

Seniors: Don Needham, Mary Coggin, Tommy Cowan, Peggie Lane, Patty Pennell, Charles McCowen.

Juniors: Peggy Erwin, Bobby Payne, Carolyn Tunnell, Vanda Anderson, Terry Baum, Claudia Arnold, Barbara Clark, Darylene Hargrove, Betty Purvis.

### Dale Bishop Resigns Housing Board Post

Dale Bishop has tendered his resignation as a member of the board of directors for Cross Plains Housing Authority.

Mayor Doyle Burchfield accepted the resignation and said, "I have not appointed anyone to fill this post, but expect to do so within the next few days."

Bishop listed pressing business and personal matters as the reason for retiring from the board. He has been a member since its organization several years ago.

Other commissioners are Jimmielee Payne, president, Jimmy McCowen, R. C. Gilmore and Hubert Belew.

### RUMORS HEARD HERE OF VOTE ON LIQUOR

Rumors heard here this week of possible liquor elections at Putnam and Oplin early next year could not be confirmed Tuesday.

## Grandeur Of Christmas Comes To Cross Plains

Returning of former local residents to spend Christmas with families and friends has given Cross Plains a homecoming atmosphere this Yuletide.

More than 70 collegians returned to their homes in this area last week end and late Tuesday the influx of people had become noticeable. Most local homes are expected to become crowded with returnees Friday night.

**Food Baskets**

In the hope that the spirit and gaiety of the occasion will not be absent anywhere in the Cross Plains area, plans were complete to distribute food and other necessities to persons in need. Money for the undertaking came from the United Fund, a charitable organization which has enjoyed the enthusiastic support of a large per cent of the firms and individuals residing and doing business here. In charge of distribution of Christmas baskets is E. K. Coppinger, who has been making ready for the chore the past 10 days.

Local businessmen report that

Christmas buying has been heavier than normal. Late shoppers may push retail sales to an all-time high here.

**Officers On Alert**

Highway Patrolmen report holiday traffic, although exceptionally heavy, is moving orderly with few infractions.

"We're hoping for a sane, safe Christmas," declared Highway Patrolman Bill Vineyard, who is maintaining a constant vigil over local traffic lanes. Deputy Sheriff Howard Cox, and City Marshal Edgar Heard are also putting in additional hours in the hope of keeping the holiday season a happy one.

### 6 Spend Christmas In County Jail Cells

At least six persons will spend Christmas in the county jail at Baird. That number was being held there Tuesday, all slated for after-the-holiday releases or transfers.

"The things run true to form the number may be greater than six," predicted a deputy sheriff, "usually around Christmas two or three manage to get locked up for one thing or another."

Prisoners will receive a Christmas dinner with traditional delicacies.

### Ted McCuin Breaks Ankle In Odd Fall

A. J. (Ted) McCuin sustained a broken ankle in a fall while hunting deer south of Cross Cut Monday morning.

He had been in a tree and in crawling down slipped and fell. His foot caught in a joint of the tree, holding him suspended and upside down about 30 minutes. Weldon Newton, his son-in-law with whom he was hunting, found him and rushed him to a Brownwood hospital. The fractured bones were set, however, examinations revealed that the local insurance man had also sustained severe tears in ligaments about the knee in addition to the other injury. He will return to the hospital in about a week and a walking cast placed on his ankle.

### MRS. H. A. YOUNG IN BROWNWOOD HOSPITAL

Mrs. H. A. Young was taken to Brownwood Memorial Hospital in a local ambulance. Reports of her condition were not immediately available. Friends are hopeful, though, that she will be sufficiently recovered to return home in a few days.

### WINTER'S FIRST DAY IS WARM AND NICE HERE

First day of Winter, Tuesday, Dec. 21, passed warm and clear in Cross Plains. Temperature at 11 a.m. was 55 degrees in the shade.

### Phone Patrons Get Benefits Of Tax Cut

Local patrons' telephone bills will be cheaper beginning in January of 1966. After the first of the year federal excise tax will be reduced from its present 10 per cent to three per cent.

Kizer Telephone Company also announced that the tax would be reduced by one per cent in each of the next two years, 1967 and 1968. "It will be eliminated completely in 1969," said Ralph Kizer, secretary of the firm.

### Honor Given To Fred V. Tunnell

Fred Tunnell, president of the Citizens State Bank here, has been notified of his nomination to the president's council of the American Institute of Management.

The honor came, said an accompanying citation, "In recognition of exceptional executive management ability."

Mrs. Morris Renfro and daughter of Denton are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Lee.



Peggy Erwin

### Peggy Erwin Crowned Most Beautiful Friday

Peggy Erwin, Cross Plains High School junior, was crowned Most Beautiful at the annual beauty contest held in the school auditorium Friday night.

Miss Erwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Erwin, won over forty-two other entries, and was presented a bouquet of red roses by her escort Sammy "Bo" Strickland, who was chosen most handsome boy earlier this year.

Second place went to Valeta Edington, sophomore student and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Howard Edington. She was escorted by Jackie Hinkle, second most handsome.

Joyce Button was second runner-up. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Button and a junior in high school. Her escort was Charles McCowen, third most handsome boy.

Judges were from Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene and ratings were made on beauty and grace.

Also presented during crown-

### School Children Get 11 Holidays

An 11-day holiday for Cross Plains children was scheduled to begin as classes dismissed Wednesday.

Schedules will be resumed Jan. 3.

Only three holidays are carded for the remainder of the scholastic year. There will be one day in March and two at Easter.



# holiday JOY

Our entire staff wishes you  
a very merry, merry Christmas

**RUSSELL SURLES ABSTRACT COMPANY**  
BAIRD, TEXAS



Merry Christmas  
To One and All!

RISING STAR HOSPITAL



Merry Christmas

Santa pauses with his pack to join us  
in wishing you the merriest of holidays!  
May it be filled to overflowing with  
love, hope, and every happiness.

**CROSS PLAINS MACHINE &  
SUPPLY COMPANY**  
JAMES HICKMAN

## Gaiety Of Christmas Arriving At Sabanno

By Mrs. Edwin Erwin

It is once again that time of year again when we think of all our friends and relatives and have the urge to send them a greeting. There will be quite a bit of visiting among friends and families and exchanging of gifts, good meals, etc.

A happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year from me to all of you. I want to thank all our Sabanno people for being so good to give me their news, which makes it possible for us to have a part in the best town paper.

The Busy Bee club met last Wednesday for an all-day get-together. Each brought a covered dish and we had a delicious noon meal. One quilt was finished for Mrs. J. R. Rector, Sr. After the quilt was finished we exchanged gifts from our beautiful Christmas tree. Next meeting will be Wednesday, Jan. 5, 1966. Mrs. Edwin Erwin will be hostess for that meeting.

Mrs. Tom Flippin visited with Josie and Alma Morris Tuesday.

Billy Hollis and son of Abilene visited with his mother Sunday. Mrs. Hollis is on the sick list.

Mrs. Lester King and her mother, Mrs. Pat Shirley, were in Brownwood Friday.

Visitors in the home of Josie, Alma and Columbus Morris last Thursday night were Mrs. Hazel Frazer of Hurley, N. M., Mrs. Betty Gee and son, John, of Denver, Colo., Mrs. Emma Kent of Cook, Sylvia Brown and children and Mrs. Dorothy Mosley and son David, all of Cross Plains, and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Morris and children of Pioneer.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Thompson of Odessa and Mrs. L. O. Thompson of Abilene visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. King Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Brandon visited in Putnam and Baird Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scott plan to spend Christmas in Odessa with their daughters and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Holcomb plan to have their three children and their families and a brother of Mr. Holcomb from California visit them Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Brandon plan to spend Christmas Day with all his family at the home of his son, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brandon, near Putnam.

The Edwin Erwins are ex-



Mrs. Edwin Erwin

pecting their son, Ralph and family from Hobbs, N. M., to visit them during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Truett Dawkins are expecting her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cox and daughters from Carlsbad, N. M., for Christmas.

Josie and Alma Morris visited with their brother, Wilson, who has been very sick in Rising Star Hospital. He is now recovering at his home in Rising Star.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Ingram have moved to their home in Cross Plains. Their children of Abilene visited them Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Rector, Sr. will spend Christmas in Ozona with their daughter and family.

## Truck Stop 5 Pads Lead In Keg Race

D. C. Lee Gulf defeated George Hutchins Mobil 3-1, claiming all the second place goodies, Sisters Cafe, swept the series from Odom's Cafe, 4-0, and Souder's Grocery bowed out to first place Cross Plains Truck Stop, 4-0.

Two records fell last week: Sister's Cafe fired a 1,062 handicap game against Odom's restaurateurs and Wayne Graves of the Truck Stop group moved into the top individual series spot with a 582 scratch total.

D. C. Lee Gulf's 1,014 followed Sister's record-breaker, and Dick Grider, Gulf, topped 516 maples for second place in that division.

Gulf posted the high team series, a 2,843, and Sisters and Truck Stop listed 2,845 and 2,803 series respectively.

Captains of each of the six member-teams met Thursday night and voted to bowl during the holidays, as presently scheduled, on Dec. 23 and Dec. 30.

Next week Souder's meets Sisters, Mobil will challenge Truck Stop and Gulf is paired with Odom's.

Standings to date are:

Truck Stop	32	12	727
Gulf	25	19	567
Mobil	23	21	522
Odom's	20	24	454
Sisters	20	24	454
Souder's	12	32	272

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Neeb of McAllen are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry McCoy this week.

### MRS. H. V. FALKNER HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. H. V. Falkner was brought home from Callahan County Hospital in Baird Wednesday night of last week and is reported improving satisfactorily.

### W. E. BUTLERS ENTERTAIN GRANDSONS AND FAMILIES

Dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Butler here Sunday were two of their grandsons and their families, Dr. and Mrs. Porter Henderson, Jr., Porter Wyatt III and Laura Frances of Colorado Springs, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Henderson, Joey and Jeb of San Angelo.

### ANOTHER CALLAHAN YOUTH IN VIET NAM

Airman 1-C Jimmy D. Lambert, whose wife is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. V. McFarland of Baird Route 1, is now in Viet Nam in the fight against Communist aggression.

### LOCAL BOYS ENTER FORT WORTH SHOW

Darrell Hargrove and Randy Montgomery of Cross Plains will have steers entered in the junior division of the Southwestern Exhibition and Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth Jan. 28 through Feb. 6.

### THEATER SLATES SPECIAL SHOW; SCHEDULE CHANGE

Paul Conn, manager of the Pioneer Drive-In Theatre, announces that a special midnight show has been scheduled for the New Year's Eve. Feature will begin at 11 o'clock.

The theatre will go on its regular Winter schedule beginning in January. Films will be shown three nights weekly, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.



In all the happy hustle-bustle of readying for this joyous season, we pause for a moment of thanks to you, our good friends and customers, and to wish you all the very Merriest of Christmases!

# Higginbotham'

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

To All From All At JRB

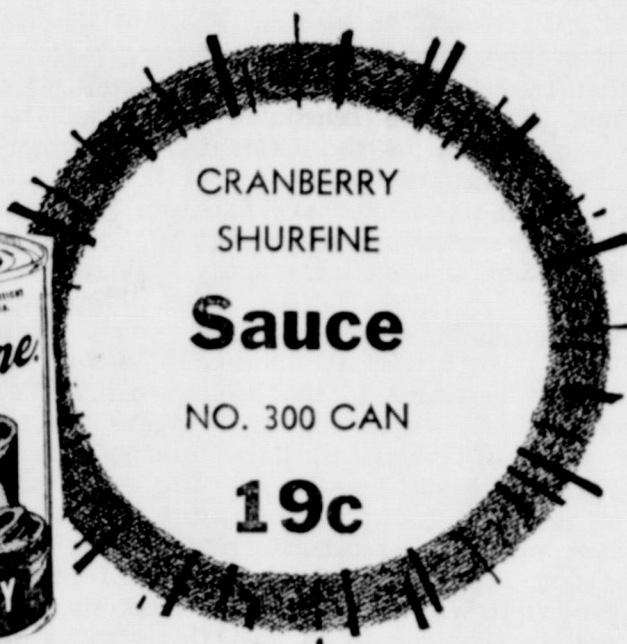


ARMOUR'S STAR, BROAD BREASTED TOMS, 16 TO 20 LB. AVG.  
**TURKEYS. LB. . . 37c**  
 Hens, 10 to 14 lbs. ----- 39c

USDA, GRADE A, WHOLE ONLY PORK  
 FRYERS, lb. .... 27c SAUSAGE, lb. ... 49c

## HAMS, Half or Whole

ALSO GOOD STOCK OF CANNED HAMS FOR CHRISTMAS FEASTING



CRANBERRY  
 SHURFINE  
**Sauce**  
 NO. 300 CAN  
**19c**



Folger's  
**COFFEE**  
 1 lb. can  
**69c**



KING SIZE  
**COKE**  
 6 BOTTLE CARTON  
**29c**  
 PLUS DEPOSIT

DELMONTE TOMATOE  
**JUICE**  
 46 OUNCE CAN

**3 for \$1**

CHERRIES, Maraschino Towie red, 8 oz. size . 29c  
 OYSTERS, Geisha Whole Cove, 8 oz. can ... 33c  
 FRUIT COCKTAIL, Del Monte, 4, 303 cans .... \$1

YAMS, Sugary Sam cut, 4, no. 2 1/2 cans ..... \$1  
 SHELLED  
 PECAN HALVES, 1 lb. bag ..... 79c  
 PEAS, Shurfine, 3 no. 303 cans ..... 69c  
 WHIPPING CREAM, Foremost, 1/2 pint ..... 23c  
 FOREMOST, CARTON  
 Ice Cream, 1/2 gal. .... 69c  
 PUMPKIN, Shurfine, 300 can ..... 9c  
 CONTADINA, WHOLE  
 PEACHES, spiced, no. 2 1/2 can ... 25c  
 FOREMOST  
 SOUR CREAM DRESSING, 8 oz. size ..... 25c

ORANGES, Mandarin Gelsha, 11 oz. can .... 25c  
 GLADIOLA, WHITE OR YELLOW  
 CORN MEAL, 5 lb. bag ..... 33c  
 ROLLS, Shurfresh frozen, 2 lb. package ..... 29c  
 EGGNOG MIX, Foremost, quart ..... 49c  
 FRESH, CRISP  
 Celery, stalk ..... 15c  
 CREAM CHEESE, Philadelphia, 2, 3 oz. pkgs. ... 19c  
 MORTON'S HOME BAKE, FROZEN  
 BREAD, makes 3, 1 lb. loaves ... 49c  
 PUMPKIN, MINCE, CHERRY, APRICOT, APPLE  
 FRUIT PIES, Morton's, 20 oz. size ..... 29c



GRADE "A"  
 MEDIUM  
**EGGS**  
 DOZEN

**Christmas  
 Special**

GOLD MEDAL  
**FLOUR**  
 5 POUND BAG  
**49c**

COCONUT, Baker's Angel Flake, 2 oz. package	29c
DAINTIES, Hershey's, 2c Off, 6 oz. package	21c
SUGAR, powered or brown, 2, 1 lb. boxes	29c
PET MILK, 6 tall cans for	89c
VANILLA EXTRACT, Adams' Best, 1 1/2 ozs.	39c
KRAFT, Marshmallows, jet puffed, 1 lb. bag	21c
KRAFT, Marshmallow Cream, pint jar	21c
KARO, Red Label, pint	33c
PIE SHELLS, Old South, 2-9 inch	29c
EAGLE BRAND MILK, each	35c
RAISINS, Del Monte, 15 oz. package	29c
FOIL, Viking, 25 foot roll	25c

Fruit Cake Mix — New Crop Nuts In Shell — Bake Cups — Wax Paper  
 Beverage Mixes — Spices — Cocoa — Bake Choc. — Paper Towels, Plates

SUNKIST NAVELS  
 ORANGES, per lb. .... 19c  
 RUTABAGA TURNIPS, lb. .... 8c  
 BANANAS, lb. .... 12c  
 APPLES, Delicious, lb. ... 19c  
 U. S. NO. 1 RUSSETS  
 POTATOES, 10 lb. bag ... 49c  
 EAST TEXAS YAMS, lb. .... 8c  
 CELERY, stalk ..... 15c  
 CARROTS, 1 lb. bag .... 9c

**WE GIVE**  
**Double S&W Green Stamps**  
 ON WEDNESDAYS  
 With Purchase Of \$2.50 Or More

**Specials  
 Good**  
 Wednesday  
 Thursday  
 Friday  
 Saturday  
 DECEMBER  
 22, 23 & 24

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**QUANTITY RIGHTS RESERVED**  
**SUPER MARKETS**  
**S&W GREEN STAMPS WITH EVERY PURCHASE**  
**MEMBER AFFILIATED**  
**FOOD STORES**  
 NO SALES MADE TO DEALERS

Remember  
 Families In Need  
 ... two persons enjoyed  
 ... Christmas party of  
 ... Plains Riding Club, held  
 ... night in the American  
 ... building here.  
 ... of exchanging gifts,  
 ... contributed canned  
 ... fruit, nuts and candies  
 ... to needy fam-  
 ... The food bought was es-  
 ... in value between \$30

Cage Squads  
 ... With Albany  
 ... Plains Buffalo and  
 ... basketball squads met  
 ... team in competition  
 ... week, taking a split deci-  
 ... Albany.  
 ... boosted their won-  
 ... record with a 46-31 winning  
 ... by Beth Hutchins who  
 ... led 16 points to the to-  
 ...

... the halftime score  
 ... local girls more than  
 ... their opponents' score  
 ... remaining period.  
 ... humbled the inexper-  
 ... Buffaloes 52-42. Jim  
 ... paced scoring with 15  
 ... for the Bison, and Al-  
 ... Joe Bob Brewster led  
 ... in the offensive ef-  
 ...

... in the first, third  
 ... quarters differed by  
 ... two points, but the Lions  
 ... points in the second  
 ... while local boys regis-  
 ... tery eight.

... Ida Williams  
 ... Symposium  
 ... Ida Nell Williams,  
 ... of Mr. and Mrs. W. B.  
 ... and art teacher at  
 ... School in Austin, has re-  
 ... returned from Washing-  
 ... C., where she partici-  
 ... in a national symposium  
 ... education held Decem-  
 ... 17.  
 ... symposium on "Uses of  
 ... Media in Art Education,"  
 ... sored by the National  
 ... association and supported  
 ... tract from the U. S. Of-  
 ... Education.  
 ... Williams was one of 50  
 ... selected from through-  
 ... United States to partici-  
 ... the project. They rep-  
 ... art educators from the  
 ... arten through college

... Day Callahan  
 ... Succumbs  
 ... D. Boydston, 90, pioneer  
 ... at Baird, died Sun-  
 ... 3:55 p.m. in Hendrick  
 ... Hospital at Abilene.  
 ... he had been a patient  
 ... Nov. 23.  
 ... was held Tuesday at  
 ... in the First Baptist  
 ... in Baird.  
 ... Jan. 16, 1875, at Rock-  
 ... Mr. Boydston first  
 ... identified with Callahan  
 ... when he began clerk-  
 ... his brother, B. L. Boyd-  
 ... in 1909 he entered busi-  
 ... himself and was active  
 ... few years ago.  
 ... sors are three daugh-  
 ... two grandsons, six great-  
 ... children, one great-great-  
 ... daughter, one brother and  
 ...

... Couple Feted  
 ... Party Saturday  
 ... and Mrs. Ben Bowman  
 ... surprised with a party in  
 ... of the couple's 11th  
 ... anniversary. Mr. and  
 ... I. Spivey hosted the cel-  
 ... in their home Satur-  
 ...

... were: Mr. and Mrs.  
 ... Coggins and Mr. and  
 ... Koenig of San Angelo,  
 ... Mrs. Melvin Bowman  
 ... family of Eden, Mr. and  
 ... Charlie Tyson of Evant,  
 ... Mrs. Lonnie Switzer of  
 ... Star, Freddie Thate and  
 ... andworth of Burkett, and  
 ... Mrs. Skeet Walker and  
 ... and Mrs. L. D. Koenig  
 ... Mrs. and Mrs. Alex  
 ... and Mr. and Mrs. Ce-  
 ... all of Cross Plains.

... Atwood of Kermitt  
 ... week end here visit-  
 ... mother, Mrs. Sally  
 ... His mother-in-law, Mrs.  
 ... Little of this city, re-  
 ... to Kermitt with him for  
 ... ded visit.

### Official Measurements of Rainfall Here in Past 15 Years

Month	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
January	1.07	.00	.34	.00	.71	1.39	1.65	.36	1.35	.00	2.85	5.60	.00	.00	2.40	2.50
February	.27	.91	.30	.40	.30	1.71	1.28	1.85	2.01	.56	2.20	1.53	.61	.50	1.67	1.85
March	.12	.94	1.30	3.75	.75	.21	.30	1.26	1.55	.30	.00	.46	.76	.25	1.47	.41
April	2.13	1.55	2.60	1.20	4.51	1.17	5.55	7.40	3.60	1.65	1.76	.67	3.09	1.86	2.69	.76
May	6.82	4.20	3.37	4.25	3.11	3.06	2.26	9.50	3.10	3.27	1.84	4.21	.37	8.24	.30	7.87
June	3.60	3.88	.30	3.00	.00	2.65	.22	3.46	1.50	5.37	.00	7.30	6.22	2.12	.35	2.41
July	3.02	.81	.10	2.52	.25	3.47	.00	.13	2.00	4.09	2.20	2.58	4.08	.22	.10	.00
August	1.26	.76	.25	2.28	.50	2.75	.00	.00	2.00	.93	2.01	.45	.30	.73	3.02	2.30
September	1.38	.71	1.65	.15	.00	.25	.00	4.07	2.78	1.35	2.20	.67	7.36	.78	8.95	2.85
October	.36	1.97	.00	5.87	2.01	2.30	2.45	5.66	2.36	5.17	3.50	3.25	3.07	.26	1.45	2.40
November	.00	.00	3.12	.48	2.50	.53	1.95	1.00	.25	4.01	2.51	.55	.92	5.18	1.68	1.60
December	.00	.00	1.40	.28	.50	.00	2.35	4.90	2.21	.63	.97	3.66	1.18	.83	.35	1.55
<b>Total</b>	<b>20.03</b>	<b>15.73</b>	<b>14.73</b>	<b>24.18</b>	<b>15.14</b>	<b>19.46</b>	<b>18.01</b>	<b>38.58</b>	<b>24.71</b>	<b>27.30</b>	<b>21.07</b>	<b>31.20</b>	<b>27.96</b>	<b>20.87</b>	<b>24.43</b>	<b>26.40</b>

Fifteen-year Average Rainfall: 22.89

Normal Rainfall Here: 24.54

Above figures taken from official recordings made by S. F. Bond, observer here for the United States Weather Bureau.

#### HIGINBOTHAMS TO CLOSE FOR 2 DAYS

Higinbotham Bros. & Co. store in Cross Plains will be closed two days next week, Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 27 and 28, to take inventory.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald White and family of Lafayette, La., will spend the Christmas holidays here in the homes of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. White, and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Barr.



HINKLE T-V

MR. & MRS. HAROLD HINKLE AND FAMILY

## Over \$1 Million Road Jobs Get Spring Start

Three highway projects, expected to cost well over one million dollars, are scheduled for construction in the Cross Plains area next Spring. Two of the projects have to do with improvements to State Highway 36 and the other is on 279.

Work on 36 will begin at the Callahan-Taylor County line and come eastward to the intersection with U. S. Highway 283, four miles west of Rowden. The road will be widened to 42 feet with crown and given hot mix, asphaltic-concrete treatment. The same type of improvement was done on that portion of Highway 36 in Taylor County this year. Estimated

cost of the first section on 36 has been set at \$430,000. Second section of 36 to be improved will be that portion of the road from the intersection of U. S. 283 eastward through Cross Plains and to the Eastland County line. This section will be given identical repairs and improvements as that to the west. Contract on the second section will probably be awarded in February.

Plans are now being drawn for the rebuilding of Highway 279, south of Cross Plains to the Brown County line. The 3.2 miles of road will be widened to 44 feet and have sealed shoulders. Contract on this work is expected to be let in April.

### Cross Cut Columnist Sends 'Season's Best' To Readers

By Mrs. Les Byrd  
I would like to wish all my readers greetings and best wishes for Christmas and the new year.

Kenneth Chambers and sons, David and Randy of Odessa spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Chambers. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Westerman, Bo and Sissie Barr of Pioneer, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McDermott of Cross Plains, Mr. and Mrs. Les Byrd spent Sunday in Austin with Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Byrd, Judy and Alan. Also visiting them were Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Chambers of La Grange.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Newton left last Thursday for a tour of the United States. They went to Oklahoma to visit her brother and sister, and from there on to Georgia to visit a cousin. They were going to the Florida Keys and several other places.

Ronnie and Howard Hubard and Michael Hutchins of Odessa arrived Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Byrd.

Bill Baucom is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Lee Melton and family, in Odessa.

Donna Ford of Cross Plains spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Les Byrd.

T. J. Chambers of Lueders spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Chambers.

Kenneth Sowell, who attends Tarleton State College, arrived home Friday for the Christmas holidays.

Ann and Brian Haun of Eastland spent Saturday night with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Newton.

Mrs. Hollis Kellar, Danny and



Mrs. Les Byrd

Lanny took Mrs. Randa Kellar to Colorado City Sunday where she will stay with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Davis, for awhile.

Mr. and Mrs. Freddy Tatom and children will spend Christmas in Longview with members of her brother's family. Mr. and Mrs. Alton Tatom are planning to accompany them.

Mrs. Bowden Freeman of Abilene visited here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Long and son of McCamey spent the week end here in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norrel Long.

Howard McGowen returned to a veterans hospital at Temple this week for further tests and medication. He will secure a furlough to spend Christmas at home.

## Cottonwood Quilters Give Gifts At Christmas Party

By Hazel I. Respass  
The quilting club had their Christmas party last Thursday. It sounded like they were all enjoying themselves, opening Christmas gifts, etc. V. L. Fulton was present for the nice dinner served.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Murray of Comanche spent the night recently with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wilson on their way to Abilene. Mrs. Wilson accompanied them to Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Coffey of Stephenville visited Mrs. J. F. Coffey and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Coffey Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Woodard had the Admiral Baptist pastor as a guest for dinner

Sunday. Mrs. Will (Rose) Jennings was laid to rest here Monday beside the grave of her husband. He passed away several years ago.

Mrs. Edd Strahan and Glorin were in Abilene Saturday.

Miss Missouri Strahan, Mrs. Francis Gilleland and Beulah and Hazel I. Respass ate turkey supper with Miss Eunice Hembree Monday night at Scranton.

## Putnam Cagers Win At Abilene

Putnam's Panthers for the shooting of John Isen and Bob Jackson to a 67-47 victory over the Central Cagers in Abilene Monday night.

Isenhower punched points and Jackson 18, Bobby Taylor was high Cagers with 18, follow Steve Ogden with 16. Putnam sets its season at 6-3.

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Specials Good Wed. Through Fri.

FRENCH DRESSING, Wish Bone, pint .....

FRUIT COCKTAIL, Libby's, 303 can, 2 for .....

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BISCUITS, 3 cans for .....

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DOUBLE TOP VALUE STAMPS EACH WEDNESDAY  
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May each of you  
have a holiday  
full of cheer,  
enough to last  
all through  
the year!

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WISHES  
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**FOR SALE:** Galvanized tin, \$5 square; lumber; ridgepole; 2-inch wood shingle nails; work tables; washing machine, \$10; kitchen gas stove, \$10; buffet \$10; air compressor, \$15; bee hives; queen excluders; escapes; honey tank; pipe; fittings; 2,20-inch tires, rims and tubes, \$35; well wheels and buckets. C. H. Dawson, 245 Brownwood Road. 1tc

**Spare Time Income** refilling and collecting money from new type high quality coin operated dispensers in this area. No selling. To qualify you must have car, references, \$600 to \$1,900 cash. Seven to twelve hours weekly can net excellent monthly income. More full time. For personal interview write P. O. Box 10573, Dallas, Texas 75207. Include phone number. 1tp

**WANT TO BUY:** Good used safe. See or call Tom Cox. 37-3tc

**FOR SALE,** rent or trade, 2 bedroom house with carpet on East 8th Street. Redecorated inside. See C. A. Barr, 725-4854. 39 4tp

**FOR SALE:** 10 choice gilts old enough to breed, 11 choice gilts 3 1/2 and 4 months old, 2 young Duroc boars. Oral Joy, 1 mile south of Cross Plains on Brownwood Highway. 38 2tc

**MONEY** deposited in savings at the Citizens State Bank by the 10th of any month earns interest from the 1st. 43 ttc

**FOR SALE:** Deep freeze in A-1 condition \$50. Also real clean electric cook stove \$20. Oral Joy, 1 mile south of Cross Plains on Brownwood Highway. 38 2tc

**FOR SALE:** A lot full of good used cars at Bishop Chevrolet, 1953 to 1965 models. Bishop Chevrolet Co. 39-2tc

**WE WOULD** try to buy or lease cotton acreage allotments in Coleman or Callahan Counties before Dec. 31. See N. L. Lawrence or Brooke Eubank. 39-1tp

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**FOR SALE:** 1950, 6-cylinder Chevrolet pick-up in good shape. \$200.00. Call Mrs. V. A. Montgomery, Jr., 725-4474. 39-2tc

**FOR SALE:** 50 acres of land, 1 mile north of Cottonwood on highway. See W. R. Thompson. 38 2tc

**FOR SALE:** 11 gallons of white outside house paint. Also set of Baby Moon hucaps. See or call Glenn Lawrence, telephone 725-3201. 38 2tc

**FOR SALE:** Model 2010 John Deere tractor, run 600 hours, cultivator, planter with fertilizer boxes. B. F. Hutchins, phone 725-4377, Atwell. 38-2tp

**WANT TO TRADE** Eight-unit apartment building in Odessa for farm or ranch land in Cross Plains area. Frank Hearn, Box 231, Silver, Texas. 36-4tp

**WANTED:** Livestock hauling. See or call Robert Whiteside, phone 643-3357. 36-4tp

**HAY BALING** and windrowing, mowing and rake, with new crimping equipment. See or call Dwayne Wilson at night at 725-3073. 15-ttc

**TERMITE** and other kinds of pest control. For spraying under buildings, houses, shrubbery and trees, see your home town pest control man. Robert Meador, phone 725-3974. ttc

**FOR SALE:** Medium size Frigid-air priced for quick sale. See Marie Barbar at JRB or call 725-2644 after 6 p.m. 39-2tp

**WOULD PURCHASE** double eccentric, geared control well pumping power, Patten Bros., National or any other, even odd brands, considered. See R. O. or B. K. Eubank. 1tp

**FOR SALE:** Butane system for car or pickup. Beam regulator and 24 gallon tank. Like new. Joe Hanke, Jr. Phone 725-5183. 39-ttc

**WANTED:** Nurse's aid for 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. shift; also need custodian, who is a willing worker, male or female. See or call Mrs. Ray Lee at Colonial Oaks. 1tp

**WANTED:** Land clearing on contract; hay hauling from field, stacking at 5 cents per bale. Farmer to cultivate '66 cotton land preferably from central Texas or Mississippi, Alabama Area. See M. or B. K. Eubank. 39-1tp

**CHRISTMAS** greetings to all. Old Red's got it, finest of fruit and vegetables, nuts of all kinds, oranges, grapefruits, apples, tangerines, bananas, cranberries, celery, lettuce, tomatoes, sweet potatoes, pumpkins, pecans (Burkett's, the best.) Come look. You'll buy lots. Tricycles, auto cars, tractors, games, dolls and other toys. Wood cookstove and heaters, wash pots, bedsteads, refrigerators, dinette sets, nice lot of Christmas trees. I save you money. 1tp

**WE RECOMMEND** Blue Lustre to clean carpets and upholstery. Restores forgotten colors. Higginbotham's. 1tc

**BURKETT PECANS** for sale at 25c per pound. T. O. Powell, phone 725-5503. 38 2tp

**FOR SALE OR RENT:** Small house across street east of locker plant. See Alice Younglove or Kate Merryman, phone 725-4524. 37-3tp

**LANDOWNERS:** Several types of "No Hunting" signs are now available at the Review

**FOR SALE:** 14 foot Lone Star boat, 7 1/2 h.p. motor, factory-built trailer. Call 725-3511 after 6 p.m. 39-2tp

**FOR SALE:** Eight lots and a 3-room house on 11th street going east. Real cheap. See Charlie Fullen, Rising Star, Texas, Box 162. 37-4tc

**DOZING** of every type. Fast friendly service to meet government requirements. See or phone Sam Plowman, 725-2801, Cross Plains, Texas. 32-ttc

**BUTANE AND PROPANE:** for prompt gas service, day or night, call 725-3221. We also have propane for bottle service. Rose Butane Gas Service, one mile east of town on Hwy. 36, Cross Plains. (tfc)

**FOR SALE:** Loe's double-duty fully guaranteed outside white house paint, \$4.45 per gallon. Vinyl-laytex wall paint, your choice of 360 colors, 4.60 per gallon. Bowden Lum, ber Co. 23-ttc

**For COLDS take 666**



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 Next Door to Post Office

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## Business-Professional Directory

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**PHYSICIAN and SURGEON**  
 Office Phone 725-2281 Res. Phone 725-2851

**Krell Insurance Agency**  
 —Fire —Windstorm  
 —Casualty —Automobile  
 Office at  
 500 South Main Street

**W. O. W. CAMP No. 4242**  
 Cross Plains, Texas  
 Meets second and fourth Tuesday nights of each month.  
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**CALLAHAN ABSTRACT COMPANY**  
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## Citizens State Bank

## City Taxes for 1965

May be paid at the City Hall  
 Cross Plains, Texas

**PAY NOW AND SAVE PENALTY AND INTEREST**

**MRS. AVA CHILDERS**  
 City Tax Collector  
 Cross Plains, Texas

## 1965 School Taxes Due

Deadline for paying 1965 School Taxes will be January 31, 1966, and patrons are urged to get their payments in early this year to avoid penalty.

**Office Is Open Daily**

From 8:00 until 5:00 o'clock from Oct. 1, until January 31, 1966, at McCuin Insurance Agency, Cross Plains, Texas.

**DON'T LET YOUR SCHOOL TAXES GO DELINQUE**

**A. J. McCuin, Collector**

## PREMIER GASOLINES & OILS

Are As Fine As Can Be Manufactured  
 Use Them Regularly — Save The Difference

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We'd like to gaily-bedeck your Christmas tree with ornaments of Health, Wealth, and Laughter!

## CROSS PLAINS FROZEN FOOD LOCKER

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## FOR SALE

1 1/2 lots, 5 room house and bath. Price — \$2,200 Cash.  
 2 lots, 5 room house and bath. Price — \$2,500.  
 17 acres, 1/2 mile West of Cross Plains city limits along State Highway 36. Price — \$3,500 Cash.  
 1 acre, 1/2 mile west of Cross Plains city limits. Price — \$1,500 Cash.

**J. M. McMILLAN**  
 Real Estate Broker - Box 191  
 Cross Plains, Texas

## BROWNWOOD Cattle Auction

December 15, 1965

Market: Steady and active on all stocker and feeders. Packer cows \$50 higher.

Number of Head — 1,276

**Stocker, Feeder Cattle & Calves, Stocker Calves (choice) Steer Calves**  
 wts. 250-425 lbs. 24.50 - 28.50

**Heifer Calves**  
 wts. 250-425 lbs. 21.00 - 24.50

**Steer Yearlings**  
 wts. 425-550 lbs. 23.50 - 25.00  
 wts. 550-600 lbs. 22.50 - 24.00  
 wts. 600-800 lbs. 22.00 - 23.50

**Heifer Yearlings**  
 Light wts. . . . . 20.50 - 22.00  
 Heavy wts. . . . . 20.00 - 21.50  
 Plain Kinds (all wts.) . . 14 - 20  
 Heiferettes . . . . . 16.75 - 18.25

**Cows & Calves, pair**  
 Good . . . . . \$180.00 - \$225.00  
 Plain . . . . . \$127.50 - \$172.50  
 Stocker Cows . . . \$145 - \$175  
 Stocker Bulls . . \$16.50 - \$22.50

**Slaughter Cattle**  
 Fat Calves . . . . . 20.00 - 22.00  
 Fat Cows . . . . . 14 - 15.75  
 Utility & cutter cows 12 - 14.50  
 Cannors . . . . . 11.00 - 12.50  
 Shells . . . . . 9.00 - 10.50  
 Slaughter Bulls . . 17.25 - 19.75  
 Hogs (top) . . . . . \$27.10

## PAY TAXES NOW!

Payments made on state taxes in October receive 3 per cent discount, those in November 2 per cent and December payments 1 per cent.

Discount applies only to state tax.

## ALBERT LOVELL

County Tax Assessor-Collector

## YULETIDE GREETINGS TO OUR FRIENDS

## F. V. Tunnell Insurance Agency

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

## NOTICE

### TELEPHONE EXCISE TAXES REDUCED

The federal excise taxes you now pay on your telephone bill are going to be reduced effective January 1, 1966. This reduction will be from the 10 per cent rate to a 3 per cent rate on the effective date.

Further reductions are scheduled in the additional years: 1967-2 per cent — 1968-1 per cent — 1969-0.

**Kizer Telephone Co.**

CROSS PLAINS—MAY—RISING STAR

## NOTICE

WE WILL BE

**CLOSED**

**Monday & Tuesday**

December 27 & 28

TAKING INVENTORY

OUR CUSTOMERS ARE URGED TO KEEP THESE DATES IN MIND IN ORDER THAT NO ONE WILL BE INCONVENIENCED

*Higginbotham's*



No other words  
say it so well — MERRY CHRISTMAS

**J. W. FORE MOBIL STATION**

MR. & MRS. J. W. FORE



*Season's Greetings*

May the joys of Christmas follow  
you throughout the coming year...

BEST WISHES FROM EVERYONE AT

SETTLE DRY CLEANING

## Happy Yuletide Planned For Pioneer Area Homes

By Mrs. Delma Dean  
Christmas is less than a week away. I would like to wish each and every one of you a very merry Christmas and a happy new year. Let us keep the spirit of love in our hearts all the year and not just at Christmas time. In this war-torn world, the love of God is needed around the world.

We club ladies enjoyed our Christmas party very much. The fellowship of being together and sharing our love for each other is a rewarding experience. There was a large crowd at the covered dish supper Thursday night. Those who didn't attend missed a feast and an enjoyable time. Our visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Jake Huntington of Brownwood, Arthur and Roberta Roady of Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Wilcoxon and son, Joe, Mr. and Mrs. Brandon, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Casey, Mr. and Mrs. King and Mr. and Mrs. Pruitt Dawkins, all of Sabanno. Our next game night is Dec. 30. Everyone is invited.

Homer and Wanetta Parson of Shallowater have moved to Brownwood where he is employed.

Mr. and Mrs. Cowan Hutton



Mrs. Delma Dean

and boys were in Brownwood Saturday.

Some of the J. R. Rector children have been ill but are better now. There seems to be a lot of illness going around.

Ethel Brown returned home from south Texas Tuesday night where she and Billy King of Snyder had been visiting Mrs. Opal King.

Ethel Brown spent Friday in

the Jack White home visiting Sterling White, who is ill. His daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Schooler of O'Donnel, are visiting him for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Burgette and Mildren Coon had a surprise visit from Mr. and Mrs. Paul Arnold and daughter, Margaret, of Lawton, Okla., and a little girl from the Tipton Orphan Home in Tipton, Okla., over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold, Mrs. Cleo Barton and the Roady children visited Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Roady and Gitti Roady Sunday.

Jean Fore spent Thursday night and Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph O'Dell of Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Huntington and daughters of Brady and Mr. and Mrs. Jake Huntington of Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Westerman, Bo and Sissie Barr were in Austin over the week end visiting Mrs. Westerman's sister and family, the Hoyt Byrds.

Mrs. Pat Shurley and daughter, Christine King, went to Brownwood Friday on business.

## .70 Inch Rain Falls At Atwell Past Week End

By Mrs. Aiton Tatom

We got seven tenths of an inch of rain here after a week of cloudy drizzle ended with a sunny day Sunday.

Elbert Mercer and daughter, Edna and Mr. and Mrs. Quincy Withgott and Ruth of Hobart, Okla., spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Sessions and came for the funeral of Mrs. Roy Sanders of Breckenridge on Sunday. Mrs. Sanders was the former Alpha Mercer and was reared at Atwell. Our sympathy goes to all the family.

We received news recently of the death of Iron Perdue. He grew up just East of Atwell in the Haskell Community but was a frequent visitor here.

Mrs. Ethel Hewes and Mrs. Buster Black and Billy were in Cisco Wednesday and visited with Vee.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Sessions and children visited with Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Sessions and Metta Sunday. We are sorry that Metta is not feeling well.

Roy Tatom and Merlin Garrett Brownwood Friday.

Jake Carter made a business trip to Dallas Wednesday.



Mrs. Aiton Tatom

Mrs. Buster Black and Billy visited in Cisco Monday with Mrs. R. G. Stephenson and Mrs. Iron Perdue.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pope and son have moved to Slaton where Walter has been employed about three weeks.

Mrs. Tip Wrinkle and Mrs. Carrie Johnston were in Cisco Monday of last week on business.

## Personal News Items

Mr. and Mrs. Joe McWilliams and Terry Jane of El Paso arrived here Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Hornsby and son, Tommy, plan to spend Christmas Day in Glen Rose with Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCarthy and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Odum of Cottonwood, S. D., arrived here last week to spend Christmas with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Burns and daughter, at Burkett and with his mother and husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Watts here.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tunnell and Mrs. Ethel Sims were in Abilene Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Judd Barnett will spend Christmas in Fort Worth with their daughter and grandchildren in the home of their son-in-law's parents.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Burks here this week are their grandchildren, David Browning and Marci Hoover of Odessa and Patti Burks of Abilene. The Burkses plan to have their children here also Christmas Day.

ALWAYS AN APPRECIATED

CHRISTMAS GIFT

## Fine Candy



We Have a Good Selection of the Finest in Name Brand Candies in Varied Price Ranges.

## Neal Drug

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS



White and light and

lovely is the day. There's peace! And we

pray it will always stay. The bells ring clear in the new

crisp air, and with every true note falls a care.

The day is Christmas and it's lovely.

## Coleman County Electric Cooperative, Inc.

COLEMAN, TEXAS

## Merry Christmas . . . And Happy New Year

We wish to express our sincere thanks to each and everyone of you in the Cross Plains area for the loyal patronage you have honored us with during the past year. Our hope is that you and yours be blessed with the Merriest of Christmases and the Happiest and Most Prosperous of New Years. Again we renew our pledge to offer Central Texas stockmen the best service and market possible in this area.

## Coleman Livestock Commission Company

Duwayne Edington

Coleman, Texas

Bobby Edington

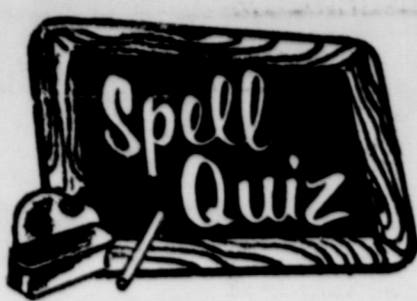
### Mrs. Rosa Jennings Dies In Fort Worth

Mrs. Rosa Jennings, 79, who formerly resided in the Cottonwood community, died at her home in Fort Worth at 6:30 a.m. Sunday.

Mrs. Jennings was born Jan. 28, 1886. She lived with a daughter, Mrs. E. B. Woody, in Abilene, before moving to Fort Worth about two years ago.

Survivors include four sons, three daughters and 27 grandchildren.

Cards Of Thanks — 75c



frankincense

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a dolly, a table to eat on, and books. I have been a good girl.  
Love,  
Jane Underwood  
San Angelo, Texas

### Holiday Feasts Appeal To Citizens Of Rowden

By Mrs. B. Crow

I would like to wish everyone a merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Johnnie, Bobby and Gina Adair of Ranger and Eddie Compton of Fort Worth visited Mr. and Mrs. John Adair over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Crow attended a pre-Christmas dinner at the home of a sister, Mrs. Mary Fry, David and Judy in Abilene. Fifty-two were present during the day and all had an enjoyable time.

Mrs. Warren Price, Mrs. George Blakley, Mrs. Lela Gibbs, Mrs. N. V. Gibbs and Mrs. B. Crow and Mrs. Gene Mauldin attended the Christmas party and quilting at the home of Mrs. Melba Walls of Baird Thursday. Each one exchanged gifts and all enjoyed the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Outlaw visited Mr. and Mrs. Warren Price Thursday morning.

Virginia and Nancy Odom are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Odom and Ivan.

Mrs. N. V. Gibbs and Judy attended the beauty contest at Cross Plains Friday night. Judy was one of the contestants.

Mrs. Lela Gibbs attended a Sunday School social for her class at the home of Mrs. A. A. Beekman Tuesday night at Cross Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Price, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Mauldin and Mr. and Mrs. B. Crow attended a Sunday School Social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Gibbs Friday night. Mrs. Price, Mrs. Crow and Mrs. Gibbs were hostesses for the affair.

Mrs. Effie Holloway and Mrs. B. Crow visited Mrs. Mattie Gibbs Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Crow also visited Mrs. Ray Been and Mrs. Elic Bainbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Odom and son of College Station are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Blain Odom and Marian and Mrs. Pearl Windham of Abilene.

Tuesday noon is deadline for news and advertising copy.



Mrs. B. Crow

Dear Santa,  
I am a little girl five years old. I have a little brother two years old and his name is Ben III. We have tried to be very good. Our mommie and daddy make us be good and they are such a good mommie and daddy, please be good to them. I want a doll and bicycle and my little brother wants a tractor and some tools. We will leave you something to eat on our table, and Santa, you can come down our chimney cause mommie and daddy won't leave much fire in the fireplace.  
We love you,  
Dawn and Ben Bowman III



IN PACIFIC — Seaman Apprentice Donald Eugene Strength, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Strength of Cross Plains, has been assigned to the USS Enprise to receive training as a radioman. He recently finished basic training at San Diego, Calif. For the next nine months his home port will be in the Philippine Islands.

### Trucking Firm Here Remodels Building

A remodeling project, to add another office and alter front of the building, is now underway at Johnston Truck and Supply on East Highway 36 here.

The local truck agency, which serves both fleet and independent operators over several Southwestern states, scheduled the expansion to accommodate a steadily increasing clientele. Dan Johnston, head of the concern, said Tuesday that he had hoped to finish the remodeling program by Christmas but recently incorporated changes would probably delay it until around the first of January.

Ten persons are employed at the firm.

Mrs. O. B. Edmondson and son, Eddy Don, were Coleman visitors Monday.

### Mac's Fruit Stand

3/4 Mile West of Cross Plains on Highway 36  
**FIREWORKS SPECIAL**  
Regular \$1.50 size Fire-crackers for ..... 85c  
Regular 85c size Fire-crackers for ..... 50c  
All Other Fireworks At Bargain Prices!

### We Will Build YOUR NEW HOME

to your plans and specifications in your town. FHA, GI or Conventional financing or cash.

**MORRIS-BILT HOMES**  
Office 1758 S. Clack St.  
Abilene, Texas  
Telephone OW 2-0688  
Evenings OW 2-7922

### S.S. Class Is Feted At Beekman Place

Members of the Willing Workers Class of the First Baptist Church Sunday School enjoyed a Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Beekman, near Pioneer, Tuesday night of last week.

After an interesting program, for which Mrs. J. H. Strahan served as chairman, a covered dish luncheon with turkey and all the trimmings was served to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Long, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Dill, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Vollie McDonough, Mrs. Jeff Clark, Mrs. Pat McNeel, Sr., Mrs. Mary Coppinger, Mrs. Henry McCoy, Mrs. Lela Gibbs, Mrs. J. H. Strahan, Mrs. Myrtle Young, Mrs. L. W. Westerman, Mrs. Kate Powell and Mrs. Ross Respass, teacher.

### SEVERAL PEOPLE PRESENT AT BAPTIST OPEN HOUSE

More than 100 persons attended a Christmas open house hosted by the Rev. and Mrs. Roger Butler at the Baptist parsonage Sunday afternoon from three to five o'clock.

Members of the Intermediate Girls Sunday School Class presided at the register, in which 92 persons were listed, and served refreshments of punch, coffee and cake.

Telephone 725-2341 to report fire in Cross Plains.

### CLEAR AND COOLER IS YULE FORECAST

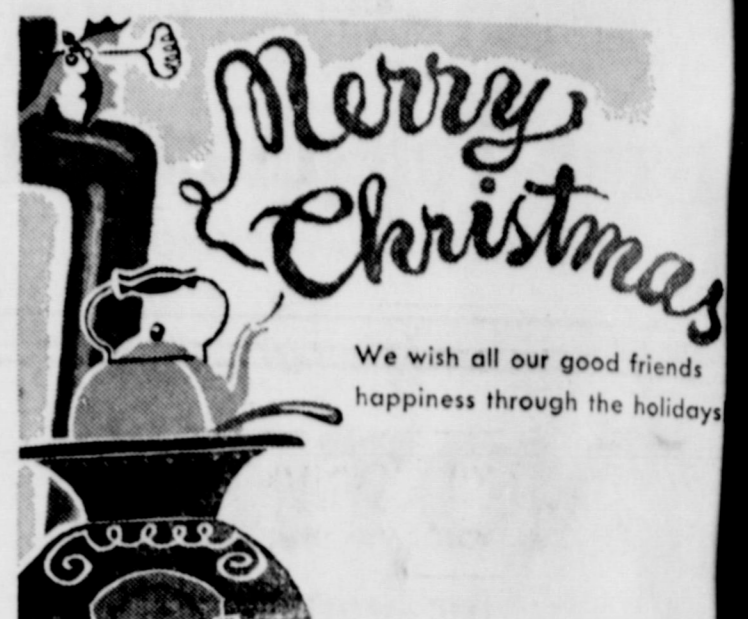
Clear and cooler weather is predicted for Cross Plains on Christmas day. The forecast was issued Tuesday by S. F. Bond, official weather observer here.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hanke, Jr. and Paula Kay and Mrs. Hanke's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Ingram of Coleman, visited their brother and son, H. B. Ingram, in San Angelo Sunday.

### MRS. ELMER PEEVY IN RISING STAR HOSPITAL

Mrs. Elmer Peevy was reported improving in a Rising Star Hospital yesterday. She has been receiving medical treatment for the past several days. She was expected to be released and able to return to her home the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat McNeel were visitors in Coleman Sunday.



We wish all our good friends happiness through the holidays.

**CROSS PLAINS GRAIN & PEANUT CO.**  
LUTHER McCLUNG  
GLENN WINFR

## Merry Christmas

TO ALL OUR CUSTOMERS AND FRIENDS EVERYWHERE

Here's Hoping To Serve You Often During 1966 And The Years Ahead

ALL YOUR FRIENDS AT  
**JOHNSTON**  
Truck & Supply  
CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

## The Simplicity Of CHRISTMAS

We rightly talk about "the simplicity of Christmas" but we must not forget that it has its complex side too.

If there were signs of poverty and lowliness around the makeshift cradle, there were signs of splendor and majesty as well. If His parents were poor, they were of royal blood. If He was "the seed of the woman," He was also "the Son of God." If His birthplace was "little among the thousands of Judah," it was great in historic memories and ancient predictions. If His cradle was a manger, it was an altar before which Wise Men worshipped. If He was born in a stable, it was irradiated by the Star of a King.

The angel said, "Behold I bring you good tidings of great joy." This is not the message of Christmas. It is the prologue to it. Without the "good tidings" there is no "joy." The good tidings are "Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour which is Christ the Lord." (Luke 2:11) The greatest thing that ever happened in this world happened in Bethlehem. Jesus was born.

In the complexities of this space age with the world seething in turmoil as an angry Sea that rushes again and again against an unyielding cliff only to be spent in foam and spray, let us once again turn our hearts Heavenward and listen to the angelic chorus as we seek the "peace that passeth all understanding."

Joy to the world!  
The Lord is come.

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## Our Staff Wishes All A Very Merry Christmas

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**Apples** WASHINGTON DELICIOUS, FANCY, PER POUND ..... **15**

FANCY, CELLO BAG ALMONDS, 1 lb. bag . 49c BRAZIL NUTS, 1 lb. cello bag 4

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## Santa Claus Gets Mail From Local Children



CHRISTMAS EVE IN DAYS OF YORE: Shown here is a street scene in Cross Plains 42 years ago. The above picture was made Dec. 24, 1923. The crowd assembled at the intersection of Main and 8th Streets was there for a drawing of a new automobile being given by the merchants. Note four youngsters sitting atop the roof of Higginbotham building. They were chased off a few minutes after the picture was snapped.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a good little boy 3 years old and I would like to have a Daniel Boone gun, a cowboy hat and a tractor to ride. Please remember my Daddy who is overseas and all the other little boys and girls.  
Thank you,  
Sammy Mosley

Dear Santa,  
Remember me? I saw you in Wichita Falls and told you what I wanted but I was afraid you had forgotten everything I told you.  
Would you please bring me a doll and doll bed, and a doll stroller? James wants a Secret Sam, and Vickie wants a gold charm bracelet with a clarinet charm in it. Don't forget Branda and Sherri in Cross Plains.  
Thank you.  
Your friend,  
Cindy Illingworth  
Iowa Park, Texas

Dear Santa,  
For a little boy three years old, I have tried very hard to be good.  
Please bring me a football suit, football, G-2 Joe and a Daniel Boone gun.  
Don't forget all the other boys and girls.  
I love you,  
Robby Dean Bailey

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good little girl this year. I am five years old. Will you please bring me a baby first-step doll, doll buggy, basketball and a doll house?  
Don't forget my little brother, Robby, and all the other girls and boys.  
I love you,  
Sandy Lee Bailey

Dear Santa,  
Me and my sister go to school at Cross Plains. I'm writing you for Bertha Dean and my other two sisters and my brother and my daddy who is not able to work and also my mother. I hope that you can provide to where all of us could have things for a nice Christmas dinner.  
Thanks,  
Johnnie, Darlene and Bertha Dean Dillard

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. I want a Big Sister doll with a Little Sister doll and a doll house. You can come down our chimney now.  
Love,  
Vivian Franke

Dear Santa,  
I have been as good as a two-year-old boy can be.  
Please bring me a gun, a road grader, a front end loader and a steam shovel.  
Remember all my little cousins, too.  
I live at Odessa, Tex., but I will be at Granny Woody's and Granny Clark's for Christmas.  
Love,  
Gary Clark

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a cowboy suit and a Big Bike and a gun set. I want a water gun too.  
Yours truly,  
Joe Gamez

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a bicycle, nurse kit, projector kit, some fruit and candy.  
I thank you,  
Kathryn Sue Bates

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am five years old. I want a Barbie doll, a cat and dog that talk when you pull the string and a little piano. I hope I can see you when you get all the presents fixed.  
I love you,  
Shelley Vineyard

Dear Santa,  
I want a Big Bruiser truck and a toy bus.  
Thank you,  
Bobby Brawley

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a purse and a doll.  
Thank you,  
Martha Ramirez

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a talking puppet.  
Thank you,  
Becky Arnold

Dear Santa,  
I want a football suit and a model plane. I have been a good boy. I am six years old and my name is Ken Hunter.  
Ken Hunter

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a gun, holster and a bicycle too, and firecrackers. I will be a good boy.  
Lloyd Corley

Dear Santa,  
I want an airplane, army gun, army suit and a little guitar.  
Thank you,  
Dennis Ray Kelly

Dear Santa,  
I would like a gun and a Johnny Express Train.  
Vernon Jones

Dear Santa,  
I am seven years old and have been pretty good this year.

Please bring me a B-B gun, a race car and some binoculars. I have two smaller brothers who want some cars, trucks and guns.

My little sister wants a doll. Bring mommy and daddy something too.  
Bye for now,  
Billy Joe Wade

Dear Santa,  
Would you please bring me a doll, basketball, piano and some roller skates and please bring my little sister some toys also.  
Love,  
Cherie Aiken

Dear Santa,  
I want a baby doll and some gold shoes and some surprises.  
Traci Morgan

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a cowboy suit, a G. I. Joe equipment set and a car and a too-tootrain. I want a toy bus.  
Thank you,  
Gary Davis

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am six years old. I would like to have a bicycle and a football suit.  
I thank you,  
Kenneth Bates

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a robot and some toy soldiers, an airplane and a mate for my goldfish. I want a rifle, too. Please bring my brothers something too.  
I love you,  
Rickey Thomas

## Telephone Lines Go Under Ground

Local telephone patrons are talking underground when they place a long distance call. Telephone Co., Inc. announced that they had recently completed change-over work on long distance circuits from overhead suspended lines in Cross Plains to the underground cable in the city limits of Cisco. The new installation will cross

under the new Interstate 20 highway which is being constructed, and will be at a depth of 40 feet when the roadway is completed.

Ralph Kizer, the firm's secretary-treasurer, said, "More underground cable will be used because new methods of placement have made the cost of installation comparable to other methods."

## Courthouse Takes Yuletide Holidays

Callahan County courthouse in Baird will be closed Thursday and Friday, Dec. 23 and 24 in celebration of Christmas.

Dec. 30 and 31 will also be taken the following week.



ALL OF US AT YOUR HOME TOWN BANK

WISH ALL OF YOU

A GENUINE, OLD FASHIONED

# Merry Christmas

DURING THE YEAR AHEAD MAY YOU BE BLESSED WITH HEALTH,

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MR. & MRS. J. H. YOCHAM  
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## Do You Remember?...

December 21, 1945

Mrs. M. L. Hughes of Baird, the former Earline Smith, has been on the sick list this week but is now reported doing well. She was taken to an Abilene hospital for treatment.

December 20, 1946

A new improved loaf of bread, one pound in size and selling for 12 cents, was introduced this week by the Good East Bakery in Cross Plains.

December 27, 1946

A pear tree at the Champion laundry on eighth street and Avenue C is making a strenuous effort to bear fruit in one season. A bumper crop of fruit was picked from the tree in September but the branches are again yielding small clusters of fruit.

December 26, 1947

Billy Wagner, Jr. and Neil Wolf, who are employed with a seismograph crew near Hamlin arrived here last week to spend Christmas with their families.

To the delight of hundreds of children, Santa Claus arrived here by airplane Saturday afternoon at two thirty.

December 24, 1948

Miss Gloria Strickland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Strickland of Cross Plains, became the bride of Ray Curry, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Curry, Sr. of Pioneer, Saturday, December 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Socrates Walker of Westbrook are the parents of a baby boy born Wednesday in a Colorado City hospital. The little boy has been named Ronald.

December 23, 1949

Cross Plains merchants will treat local children to a theatre party here Saturday morning. No ticket is needed, the exhibition being free to all.

Merlin Hutchins, who is stationed in Paris Island, South Carolina, arrived here this week to spend the Christmas holidays.

December 21, 1950

Cross Plains' reaction to President Truman's declaration of national emergency, Saturday, was one of sober contem-

plations, accompanied by no "rush buying" of short items. Most merchants described Saturday at a "business as usual" day.

December 20, 1951

In a regular meeting of the City Council, a resolution banning center parking on Main Street from the bank corner north was passed and became effectively immediately.

December 25, 1952

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Neil Tatom returned here last week from Fort Riley, Kan., to make their home. Roy Neil has been discharged from the Army after having served two years at Fort Sill, Okla., and Fort Riley.

December 23, 1954

Mrs. J. W. Chapman, Kathryn and Bill arrived the past week to spend the holidays here with the Rev. Mr. Chapman. After the first of the year he will accompany them to Norman, Okla., where they will make their home.

December 22, 1955

Fire, thought to have been caused by electrical wiring, broke out in the Edwin Baum home here Thursday of last week and did considerable damage before being brought under control by the fire department.

December 20, 1956

James Barr, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Barr of this city, left Fort Lewis, Wash., Friday of last week for the Far East where he will be stationed.

December 25, 1958

Miss Lynda Tyler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Tyler, was recently selected as "Miss Cross Plains High School" by members of the student body of the school and Johnny Pancake, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Pancake, was selected as "Mr. Cross Plains High School" in the same meeting. Both are members of the senior class.

December 22, 1960

Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Crockett are announcing the birth of a seven pound son born Dec. 15, in an Abilene hospital.

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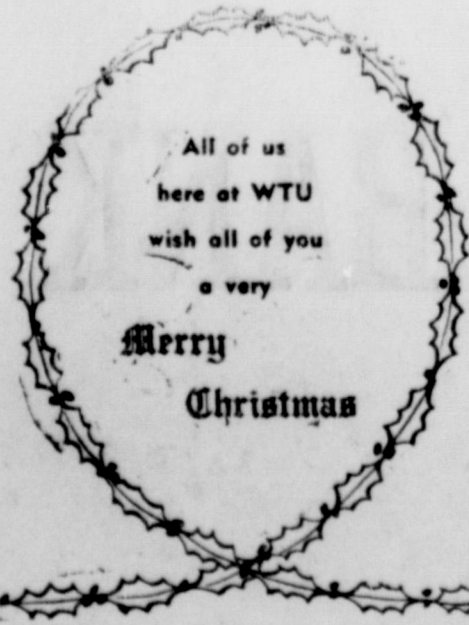


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our best wishes for a Christmas that's festive and fun — and filled with good cheer for everyone...

FROM ALL THE BOYS AT

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**Gulf Service Station**



Important names on your Christmas gift list will welcome an electrical gift for many reasons. For its usefulness, for its time-saving convenience, and because all the family benefits. What's more, an electrical gift makes Christmas last all year long! You can choose an appropriate electrical gift for every name on your list, because today you have a choice of more than 166 different ones! So give electrical gifts this Christmas. See your favorite electrical appliance dealer or WTU for a wonderful array of wonderful gifts.

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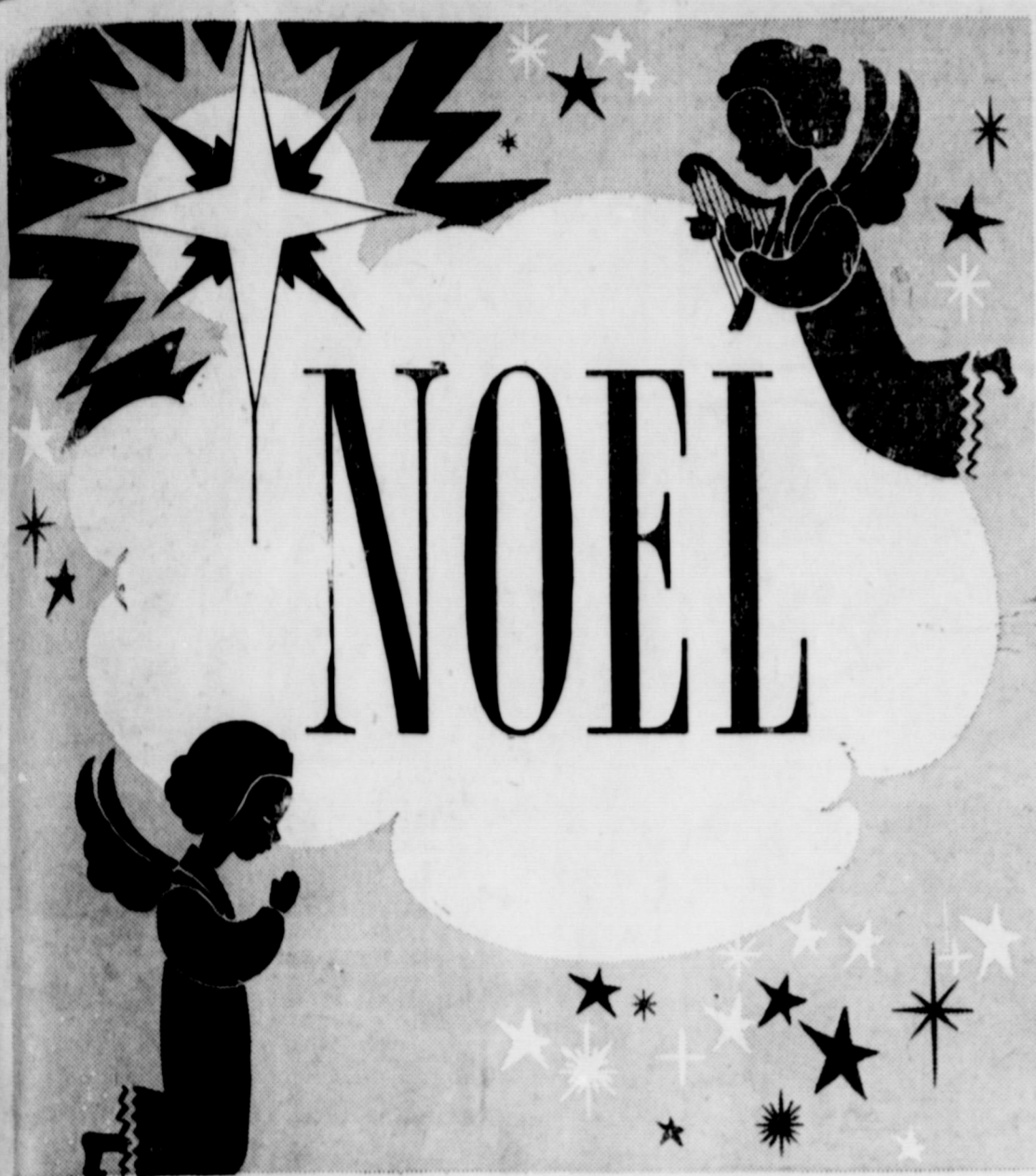
# Merry Christmas

To The Finest Folks On Earth  
**The People**  
**Of Callahan County**  
From Those Of Us Who Are  
**Honored To Serve You**

BYRON RICHARDSON, County Judge  
ROSCO SHELNUTT, Commissioner Precinct 1  
GLEN SWOR, Commissioner Precinct 2  
JIGGS SHACKELFORD, Commissioner Precinct 3  
DUKE MITCHELL, Commissioner Precinct 4  
JAMES PAUL SHANKS, County Attorney

L. C. CASH, County School Superintendent  
CARL FLEMING, Veteran's Service Officer  
BEATRICE DEAL, County Clerk  
ALBERT LOVELL, County Tax Assessor-Collector  
HOMER PRICE, Sheriff  
HAZEL REYNOLDS, County Treasurer

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE MANY FAVORS RECEIVED AT YOUR HANDS



**A** joyous carol sends our Greetings!

May your Christmas be blessed with  
the joys you love best, and may all your  
days, too, be most happy for you...

MERRY CHRISTMAS

**L. W. Pancake's Truck Stop**



May your Christmas tree be bright and gay,  
and heaped with gifts and good cheer  
for you, and all the family!

## Letters To Ol' Santa

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a rifle, pistol, football suit and an X-15.  
I want something for mother and daddy.  
I want one more thing. It is a baseball glove.  
From Tony Wyatt

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. For Christmas I want a football suit  
From Sam Koenig,  
How are you?  
Grade 1

Dear Santa,  
I want a gun set and a toy dog.  
Ray Howell

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a Tressie doll for Christmas. I also want a stove and refrigerator.  
Thank you,  
Nancy Chesshir.

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a bride doll, overnight case and a comb and brush set. Please bring my brothers what they want. I have been a good girl this year.  
Thank you,  
Cindy Sue Purvis

Dear Santa,  
I want a blackboard or a stove and ice box or walking doll. Thats all.  
Caroline Berten

Dear Santa,  
I want a baby doll.  
Hazel Lee

Dear Santa,  
I want a walking doll. Please bring all children who do not have a mommy and daddy something.  
Sandra Williams

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you? I want a camera. I want a watch. I want a Super Ball.  
Thank you,  
Betty King

Dear Santa,  
I hope you are feeling well. I want a bicycle and an army helmet and an army pack. Please bring them to me.  
Love,  
Mike Edington

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like to know how you are. I would like to have a spinning wheel. I would also like a Barbie dress and a Baby First Step. Please bring them Dec. 25.  
Love,  
Sandy Weiss

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a "Hands Down" game. I would like to have a chalkboard, too. I would like to have some Barbie doll clothes. I have been trying to be good, but it is hard. I will try and think to leave you some cookies and milk out. Do not forget all the children in the world.  
Thank you,  
Edith Ingram

Dear Santa Claus,  
Are you doing just fine?  
Please bring me a set of dishes and a hair dryer and a Super Ball and please, Santa, don't forget the other children. And thank you, Santa Claus.  
Love,  
Deborah Hance

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you? I am fine.  
Please bring me a B-B gun, an English racer and please bring me an electric train.  
Love,  
Billy Dee Whiteley

Dear Santa,  
How are you?  
I want a girl's watch. I want Barbie clothes, too. I want a tricycle for Brandi, please.  
Thank you,  
Betsy Bowden  
Cross Plains, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a talking doll. I enjoy school. I want a Baby First Step. Sorry, I have to go now. I want a stove, a kitchen an ice box and a bike also, Santa Claus.  
Teresa Sue Merrill



## Season's Greetings

The brightest light of the Christmas season  
is the opportunity to express our thanks for your  
confidence and loyalty and to wish to each of you  
the many joys of a Merry, Merry Christmas...

**A.J. McCuin Insurance Agency**

**Merry Christmas**

This' olden greeting, we send to you,  
For its meaning to all rings ever-true...  
And so sincerely we mean what we say,  
We will repeat - have a Happy Holiday!

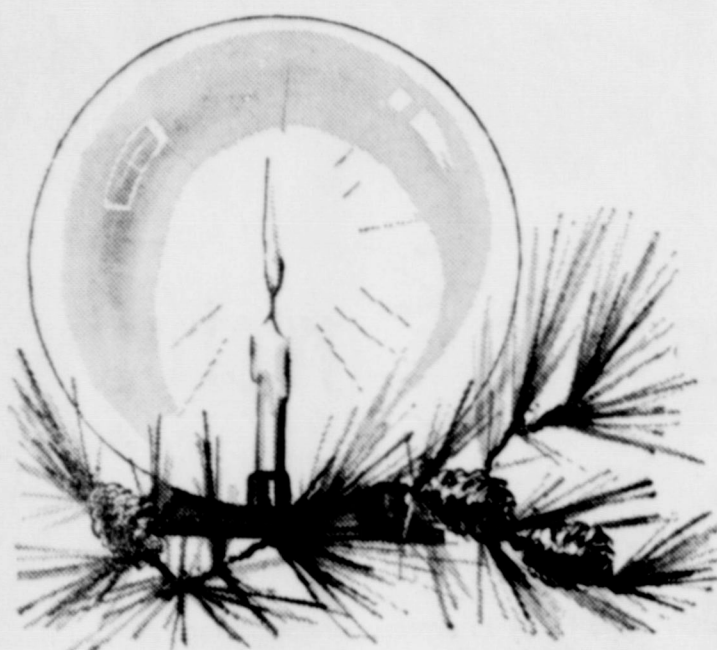
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## News Of Former Residents

Edwin E. Wilcoxon, former local resident who is now Church of Christ minister at Buffalo, Wyo., writes to say that a trip home this Christmas seems unlikely for the reason that two of his daughters have been suffering a case of the mumps and that neither he, his wife nor son has had them and expect to possibly suffer the malady any day. "It looks like we won't get to see friends and kinsmen there this yuletide," he writes.

G. S. Hill, who worked in the Cross Plains Post office back in the days when Ike Kendrick was postmaster, now resides in Abilene where he is office manager for Leon Theatres. Hill and his wife visited briefly in Cross Plains one day last week.

C. S. Boyles, early-day merchant in both Baird and Cross Plains, now resides at 609 West 14th Street in Swetwaeter. The

Review goes to him regularly.

R. E. Duncan, whom schoolmates here during the mid-1930's used to call "Lonesome," now makes his home at 1109 West 5th Street. He is a brother of Mrs. A. O. Harris and Mrs. Dick Montgomery, both of this city.

One of the first non-residents to respond to an appeal in last week's issue of this paper for financial support of Cross Plains Cemetery was J. H. Childs, Brownwood postmaster, who was reared here. Mrs. J. P. Smith received a \$10 check from him Friday.

J. H., who was severely injured in World War II while serving with the 32nd Division in the Philippines, is regarded by many oldsters as the greatest all-around athlete ever to wear the spangles of Cross Plains High School.

## Personal News Items

J. C. Claborn was in Comanche one day last week.

James Paul Shanks of Baird was a business visitor in Cross Plains Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Gilmore plan to spend Christmas in Snyder with relatives.

Mrs. E. E. Henderson of Coleman visited here Thursday in the home of her sister, Mrs. L. W. Westerman.

Mr. and Mrs. Giles Upton of Baytown will spend the Christmas holidays here in the home of her sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Newton and daughter, Angela, of Bryan arrived here over the week end to spend Christmas in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McCuin.

Edward A. Compton of Fort Worth was here Friday.

County Judge Byron Richardson of Baird was a business visitor here Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Neeb of McAllen visited relatives and friends here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Watson and son, Guy, were in Dallas last week where Guy was fitted for braces at a children's clinic.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Nabers and little son Scott of Waco arrived here Saturday to spend several days during Christmas with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Granvel Scott of San Antonio and A-1 and Mrs. Grady Scott of Roswell Air Force Base, N. M., will spend Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elvis B. Scott and son, Don, here.

## IN DAYS OF YORE

Jan. 1, 1926: Five new producing oil wells were brought in for the townsite the past week, bringing the total number of wells to 70.

Lewis Coppinger is exhibiting a 48-pound pumpkin which measured four and one-half feet around.

Elliott Bryant and Jack Scott, who attend school at San Antonio, are spending the holidays with their parents.

Miss Annie Spencer of Fort

Worth spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Spencer of Rt. 2.

Visiting in the W. C. Adams home during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Dennis of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Reiger of Corsicana, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Tyler of Clyde, C. L. Adams of Lubbock, D. J. Cutbirth of Valley Mills, Luther Cutbirth and daughter of Eula and J. and Annie Cutbirth of Dudley.



**The Marinello Beauty Shop**

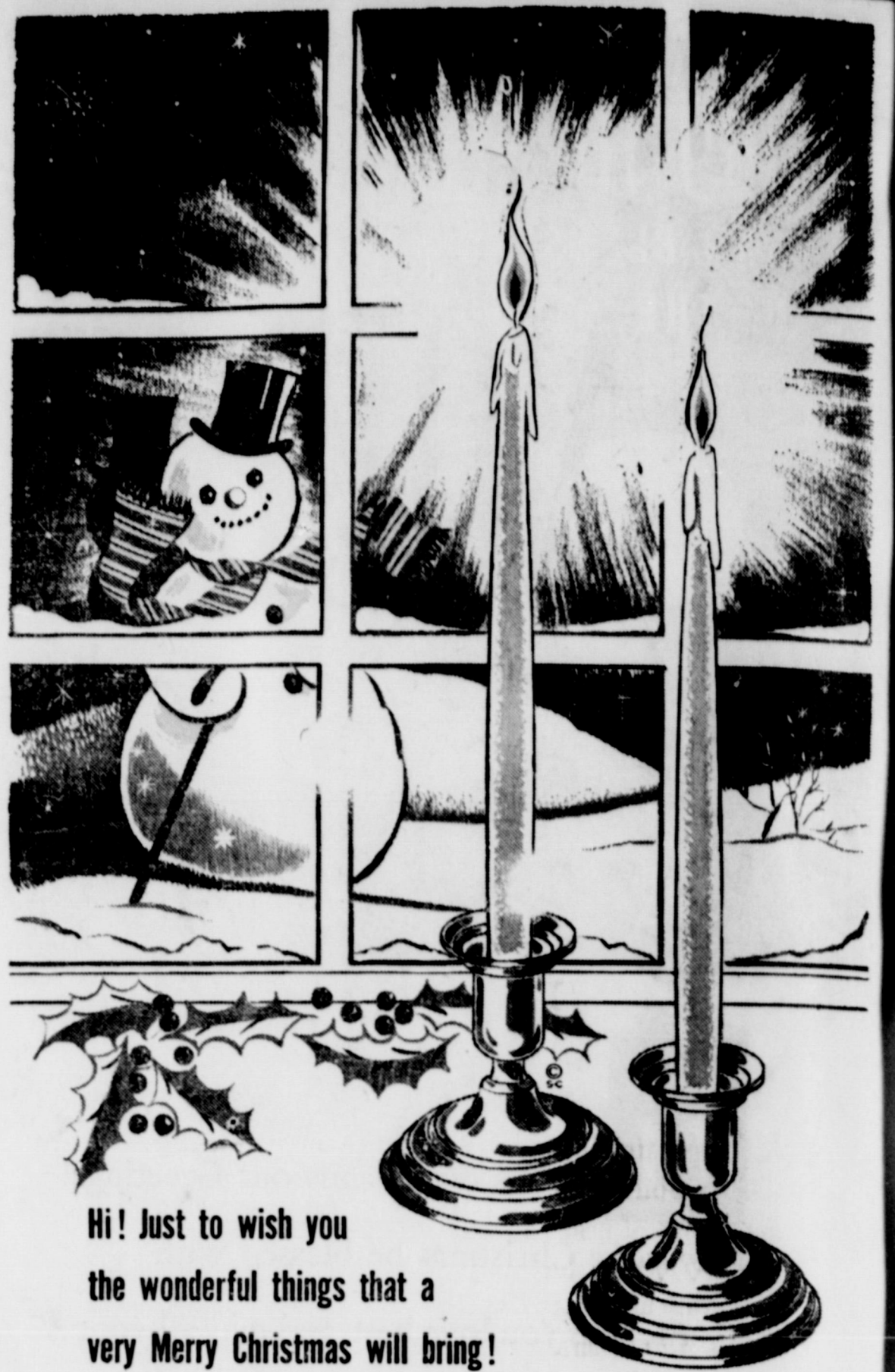
MYRTLE DAVIS, owner

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**The City Council**



Hi! Just to wish you  
the wonderful things that a  
very Merry Christmas will bring!

JOYOUS HOLIDAY GREETINGS

**SISTERS CAFE**

GAYNA & HARRY DODDS AND THE STAFF



... COME LET US ADORE HIM THIS DAY

REMEMBERING THE TRUE AND LASTING

MEANING OF THIS HOLY CHRISTMAS SEASON.

MAY YOU FIND THE BLESSINGS YOU SEEK!

HAPPY HOLIDAY TO ALL

**Taylor Rural Electric Co-Operative, Inc**

MERKEL, TEXAS



**JOY TO ALL  
AND BLESSINGS  
OF THE SEASON**

May you find peace, joy and happiness at Christmas time. These are our sincere wishes for all our friends who have made this Christmas such a wonderful one for us...

GERALD, NELL AND ALL THE OTHERS AT  
**BOWDEN LUMBER COMPANY**  
Cross Plains, Texas



May the Christmas message of Peace and Good will be a light of hope to guide the way to a better world for all of us...

FROM ALL THE FOLKS AT  
**DILLARD DRILLING COMPANY**  
Cross Plains, Texas

## New Texas Almanac Is Vital Reference Source

Maps of leading lakes and historical sites, new U. S. Census business data, ZIP codes for all Texas post offices and many other new features are found in the 1966-67 Texas Almanac, just published by The Dallas Morning News.

Larger by 48 pages than the last edition, this issue marks the 125th anniversary of the establishment of the firm which publishes The News and the 110th anniversary of the founding of the Texas Almanac. Dr. DeWitt Reddick, director, Schools of Communication and Journalism, University of Texas, is author of the history of "Texas Oldest Business Institution" in this edition.

Other exclusive features in the Texas Almanac listed by editor Walter B. Moore include: Population estimates for Texas cities, towns and counties. Individual County maps and information. A guide to pronunciation of difficult Texas place names.

Individual pages of economic information for each of Texas' 40 largest cities.

Twenty pages with scenes and maps of historic towns and counties.

Reproductions of work by leading Texas artists.

An expanded recreation section, with color pictures and an introduction by Frank Tolbert of the News.

Election returns for 1964 and earlier years, including Texas' vote in all presidential and gubernatorial elections.

Complete text of the Texas Constitution, with amendments adopted through 1964 and descriptions of amendments submitted in 1965 and for 1966.

Lists of state, county and municipal officials and summaries of state, county and municipal governments and finances.

Also listed are more than 500 Texas trade and professional organizations, colleges and universities, libraries and museums and theater groups.

## Santa Claus Letters

Dear Santa,  
I want some needles to go in our record player so I can play our Christmas records. I also want a Tammie doll. I want a Barbie doll and some other doll that goes with Barbie and Tommie. Have a nice Christmas.

With love,  
Barbara Smoot

Dear Santa,  
I want a football suit for Christmas. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

With love,  
Randy Hunter

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Johnny Express and a Big Bruiser. Thank you.

With love,  
Jimmy Bates

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want an army set and a Johnny Seven gun.

Your friend,  
Randy Pancake

Dear Santa,  
I wish I had some socks and a new gun, too. And give me a new shirt. Thank you.

Your friend,  
Tim Bishop

Dear Santa,  
I want a Super Ball, a race car and a bike for Christmas. I hope you have a merry Christmas.

Your friend,  
Clarence Tennison

Dear Santa,  
I want a "Hands Down" game for Christmas and a billfold, too. Don't forget the other girls and boys.

Your friend,  
Sharon Hance

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you doing? I am doing fine. I want a B-B gun and a bicycle and a set of guns and an army set and a dump truck and that is all I want for Christmas. Please bring me that. Thank you, Santa. I live in Cross Plains, Texas.

The set of guns and a dump truck are for Deanie.

Robert, Carrel Grissom

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I am fine. Please bring me a B-B gun. Please bring me a bicycle. Please bring me an army set.

Thank you,  
James Weiser

Dear Santa,  
I want a new bike for Christmas. All girls have bikes, don't they? I got a doll as big as me and a baton last year. I sure want that red girls' bike. I want one without three wheels at the back.

Your friend,  
Erica Robertson

Dear Santa,  
I want a stopper gun, a stopper, bow and arrow, toy German rifle, and a Man From U.N.C.L.E. set. I also want a pair of sox. I also want a bicycle.

Yours truly,  
Brad Waggoner

Dear Santa,  
I am a little girl. I am 9 years old. I want a watch, a chalkboard, and a basketball. The family wants a "Hands Down" game. Bring my sister and brother something too.

Love,  
Sharron Dillard

Dear Santa,  
I want a pair of sox and I want a hat too.

Your friend,  
Jackie Rector

Dear Santa,  
I am a little boy. I am 9 years old. I want a bicycle and some cowboy boots. Bring my brothers something too.

Lots of love,  
David Bennett

Dear Santa,  
I want a football and Sunday suit and a basketball. I hope you do not have any trouble coming over.

Your friend,  
R. B. Dillard

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have Barbie and Ken dolls for Christmas.

Your friend,  
Hazel Lee

Dear Santa,  
I would like a pellet gun and a racing set for Christmas. I hope you can bring them.

Love,  
Randall Franke

Dear Santa,  
I wish I had a train. I wish I had a B-B gun and some new clothes.

Your friend,  
Ricky Westerman

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a G.I. Joe and a little station wagon. I would also like to have a B-B gun. I hope you have a good time.

Your little friend,  
Johnny Markham

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am in the the third grade. Would you bring me a B-B gun and a bicycle?

Your friend,  
Joe Ramirez

## PIONEER DRIVE-IN THEATRE

CROSS PLAINS - RISING STAR  
Highway 36 Phone 725-4701  
Show Starts at 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY  
December 22 - 23

"I SAW WHAT YOU DID"  
Joan Crawford

FRIDAY & SATURDAY  
December 24 - 25

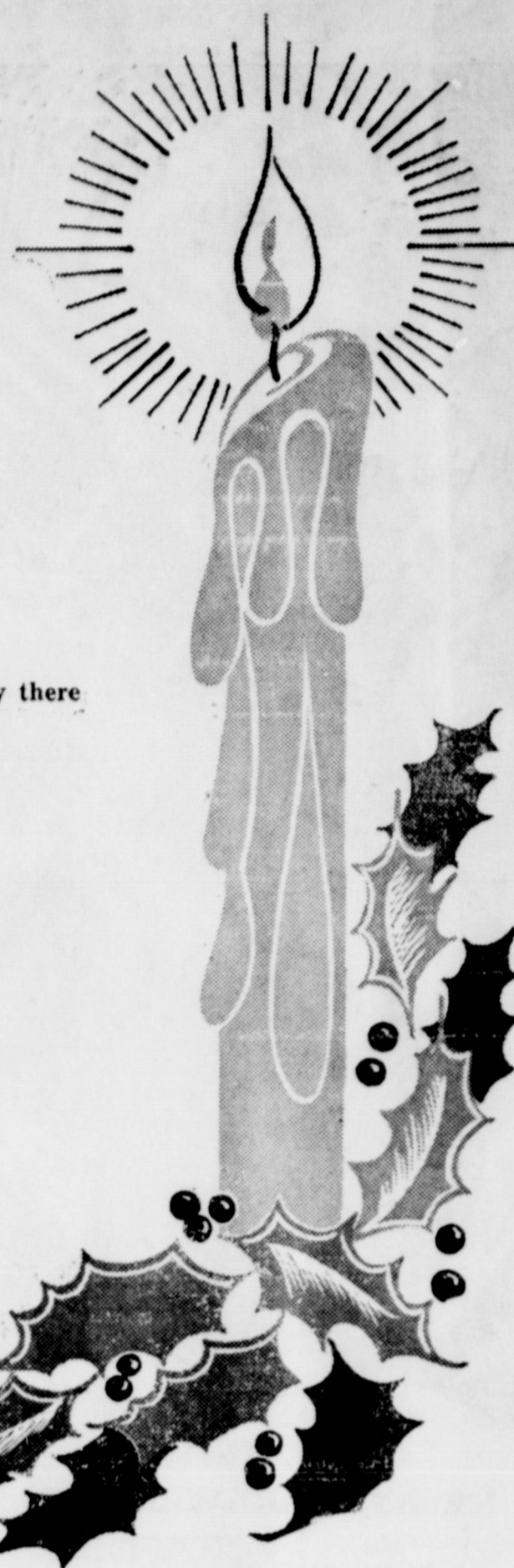
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Bobby Darin  
Donald O'Connor  
News and Cartoon

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"LOVE? & KISSES!"  
Rick Nelson

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To our many friends:  
Merry Christmas Greetings  
we send to you — And, our  
warmest wishes, too . . . May there  
be special joys in store —  
All the wondrous things,  
You're surely hoping for!

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Serving More Than 5,000 Farms and Ranches in Comanche, Eastland,  
Mills, Callahan and Stephens Counties

## Comanche County Electric Cooperative

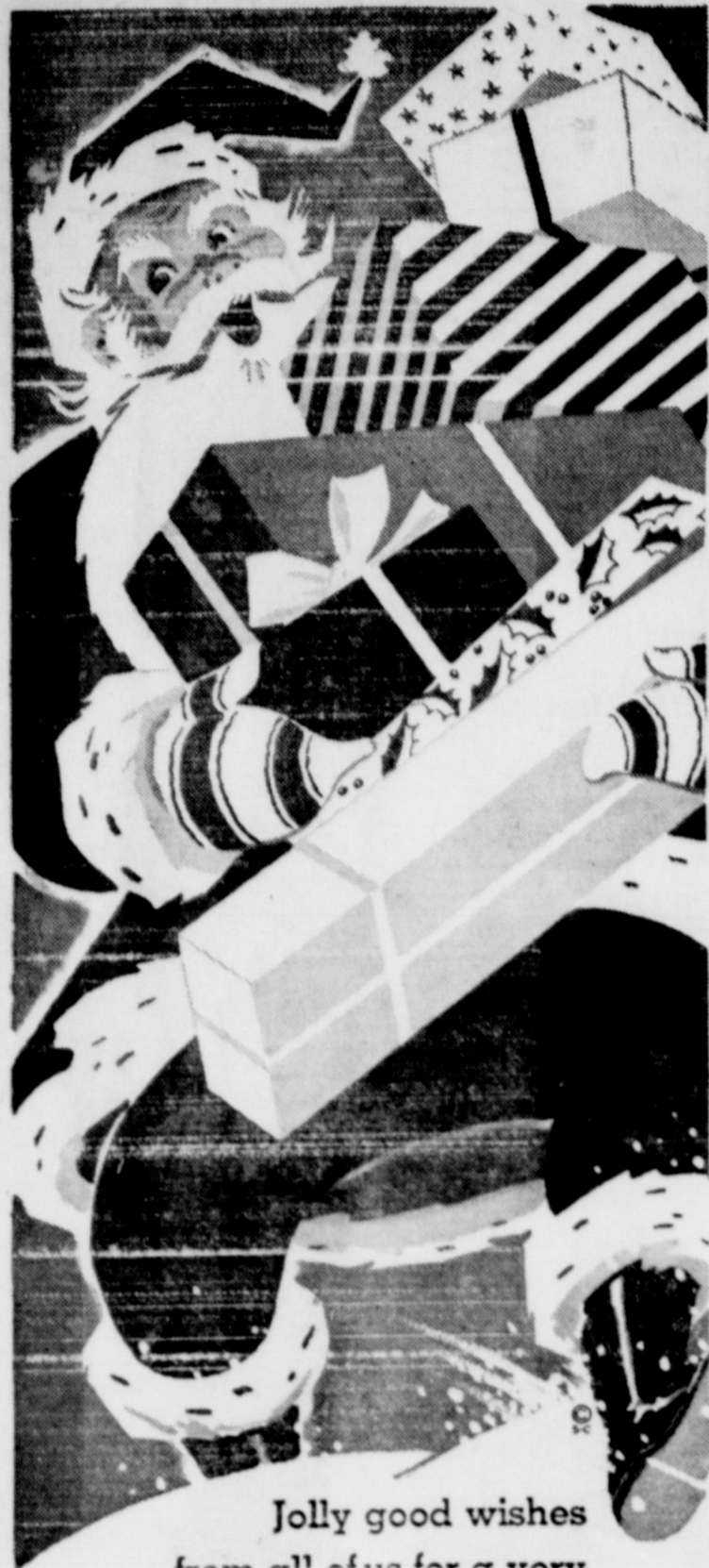
as gay as  
Christmas

Wrapped up in every package with our  
label and gift ties, are the spirited wishes of  
all here who have served you in  
the past year . . . we say to you: Have a  
GAY, EXCITING CHRISTMAS!



## Black's Food Stores

BAIRD AND CLYDE



Jolly good wishes from all of us for a very MERRY, HEART-WARMING CHRISTMAS!

**KOENIG'S**  
Humble Station

### "The Square"

By Charles H. Brower

Square! Another of the good old words has gone the way of love, and modesty, and patriotism. Something to be laughed at. Why, it used to be that there was no higher compliment you could pay a man than to call him a "square-shooter." The ad-man's promise of a "square deal" once was as binding as an oath on the Bible. But today, a square is a guy who volunteers when he doesn't have to. He's a guy who gets his kicks from trying to do a job better than anyone else. He's a boob who gets so lost in his work, he has to be reminded to go home. He hasn't learned to cut corners or goof off. This nut we call a square gets all choked up when he hears children singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee." He even believes in God, and says so in public.

Some of the old squares were Patrick Henry, George Washington, and Ben Franklin, some of the new squares are Glenn, Grissom, Sheppard, Cooper and Young. John Glenn says he gets a funny feeling down inside when he sees the flag go by; says he's proud he belonged to the Boy Scouts and the YMCA. How square can you get?

A square is a guy who lives within his means, and thinks his Uncle Sam should too. A square gets his books out of the library instead of the drug store. He tells his son it's more important to play fair than to win. Imagine!

A square is a guy who reads the Scriptures when nobody's listening. He believes in honoring Mother and Father, and "Do Unto Others," and that kind of stuff. He thinks he knows more than his teen-ager knows about car freedom and curfew.

So, will all of you who answer this description please stand up, and be counted. You squares who turn the wheels, and dig the fields, and move mountains, and put rivets in our dreams; you squares who dignify the human race; you squares who hold the thankless world in place.

### Cross Plains Junior Cagers Fall To Early

Cross Plains Junior High basketballers traveled to Early Monday night for district play with the Early Junior Longhorns.

Mighty Mites were beaten by Early 34-20. Mites' high scorer in the losing fling was David Merryman, contributing six points.

The Cross Plains girls sextet was taken by a 24-8 margin. Seventh grader Lydia Albrecht led the effort scoring four points.

Next junior high game will be Jan. 3 at Rising Star, girls game beginning at 6:30.

Cards Of Thanks — 75c

### Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Crockett plan to spend Christmas in the home of their son and his family at Fort Hood.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Nabers and son, Scott, of Waco arrived here Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays in the home of her parents.



As gay and bright as your sparkling tree: THAT'S

what we hope your CHRISTMAS will be;

Full of laughter and joy without

measure; May gladness and

health be your treasure

Merry Christmas!!

**Bryan Variety Store**

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS



**ROSE BUTANE SERVICE**

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

MR. AND MRS. YERNER ROSE



**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

Our heartiest greetings to you and yours!

**City Utilities, Cross Plains, Texas**

## Local Children Write Letters To Good Old Saint Nicholas

## Column Of Birthdays

**December 24:**  
 Patricia Webb  
 Mrs. Jim Ray Cox  
 Carol Foster  
 Mrs. Emma Morgan  
 Drew Hill  
 Jim Alexander  
 Christy Driskill  
 Mrs. Larry Blankinship  
 Mrs. Albert Hughes  
 Gertrude McIntosh  
 D. P. McCorkle  
 Ethel Eastham

**December 30:**  
 Eric Lovell  
 Mrs. Bob Dean  
 Gertrude Johnson  
 Wanda Jennings  
 Billy King  
 Lawrence A. Lee  
 Nancy Sheppard  
 F. L. Merrill  
 Sambo Fleming

### MRS. J. L. SETTLE NOW IN NURSING HOME HERE

Mrs. J. L. Settle became a resident at Colonial Oaks, local nursing home, last week. She had been a patient in an Abilene hospital for the past few weeks recovering from injuries sustained in an automobile accident in which her husband was killed.

### MACK INGRAMS PURCHASE MEADOR'S STATION HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Ingram completed transactions last week whereby they became owners of the Meador Grocery & Station on North Main Street here. Mr. and Mrs. Ingram are now in charge of the business. Former owners of the concern for many years, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Meador, plan to retire and tend to stockfarming.

### CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of thanking the people of Cross Plains for making us feel so welcome to your very nice little city.

We wish to congratulate you on the friendly atmosphere and friendly greetings from every one we meet. We hope to contribute to the friendliness and betterment of the community. It was through your local paper the Cross Plains Review, that we found our little home which we have now moved into. It is the Potter place, and we welcome visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. George Woody

Tuesday noon is deadline for news and advertising copy.

Dear Santa,  
 For Christmas I want a "Secret Sam" and a bike.  
 Your friend,  
 Lynn Tatom

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a bicycle. Please bring me a B-B gun. Please bring me a basketball.  
 Howard Phillips

Dear Santa,  
 I want a puppy and a cowboy set and anything else. Be sure to get mom and dad something. I got to go now.  
 Thank you,  
 Jimmy Crawford

Dear Santa,  
 Will you please give me a Vac-u-form and a U.N.C.L.E. gun when you come down the chimney and fill my stocking with candy.  
 Your friend,  
 Rex Beggs

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I am five years old. I am trying to be a good girl. Please bring me a doll, two games and some silly putty. I will leave a piece of pie on the table for you.  
 Love,  
 Dana Kay Richardson

Dear Santa,  
 I want an airplane, a radio and an electric guitar. I guess that's all.  
 Your friend,  
 Jerry Pat King

Dear Mr. Santa,  
 Please send me a Texas Ranger set and a football.  
 Your friend,  
 Gadayous Edwards

Dear Santa,  
 I want a watch and a transistor radio and a Super Ball.  
 Your friend,  
 Carl Lynn Thomas

Dear Santa,  
 I want a record player for Christmas. Be sure and bring my brothers' and friends and everybody else something, too. I hope you and everyone else have a very nice and merry Christmas.

Dear Santa,  
 Will you please bring me a Man From U.N.C.L.E. set? I also would like a set of four sports cars, the 56 T-Bird, a Mustang, a Sting Ray, a Jaguar XKE and five pinlight batteries.

Dear Santa,  
 I want a pair of boots and a watch for Christmas. Have a merry Christmas.  
 Your friend,  
 Gene Johnson

Dear Santa,  
 If it wouldn't be too much trouble I would like to have a Daniel Boone rifle. I would like a package of army men, too.  
 Your friend,  
 Dave Gerald Butler

Dear Santa,  
 I would like to have a Red River gun, a Super Ball and a Secret Sam.  
 Roy Dillard

With love,  
 Debra Crawford

Richard Sowell.

**December 25:**  
 W. B. Harmon  
 Jimmy Vanstory  
 Donald Stover  
 Hubert Region  
 Sue Bains  
 Wesley Webb  
 Mrs. Evans Watkins  
 W. A. Balkum  
 Mrs. D. McAllister  
 Roger Crawford

**December 26:**  
 W. F. Kilgore  
 W. A. Payne  
 Ethel Anderson  
 Jay Ringhoffer  
 Mrs. Joe Bryson  
 Claude Foster  
 Bill Slate  
 Richard Keith Illingworth

**December 27:**  
 Mrs. Jack Little  
 Mrs. Elmer Wilson  
 Dickie Nowell  
 Mrs. Lottie Kinnard  
 Royce Lawrence  
 Bobby Lawrence  
 Mrs. Gene Bush

**December 28:**  
 Don F. McCall  
 Marion Perry  
 Mrs. Katherine Swindle  
 Mrs. Ben Riffe  
 Mrs. Glen Vaughn  
 Michael Ingram  
 Mrs. Billy Paul Golson  
 C. A. Walker  
 Pauline Collins

**December 29:**  
 Dianne Johnson  
 Joe Wilcoxon  
 Mrs. Earl Allen  
 Johnnie Strickland  
 Kenneth D. Brown



# OLD-FASHIONED Greetings

Sleigh bells jingle, voices ring out, hearts are filled with Yuletide cheer—

We hope your Christmas will be as merry as all the Yules of yesteryear!

## Kizer Telephone Company

CROSS PLAINS — MAY — RISING STAR



May your holiday abound with lasting happiness—  
 And your heart be filled with the greatest gladness.

## Mayes Flowers

JUANITA, BILLY AND REX MAYES

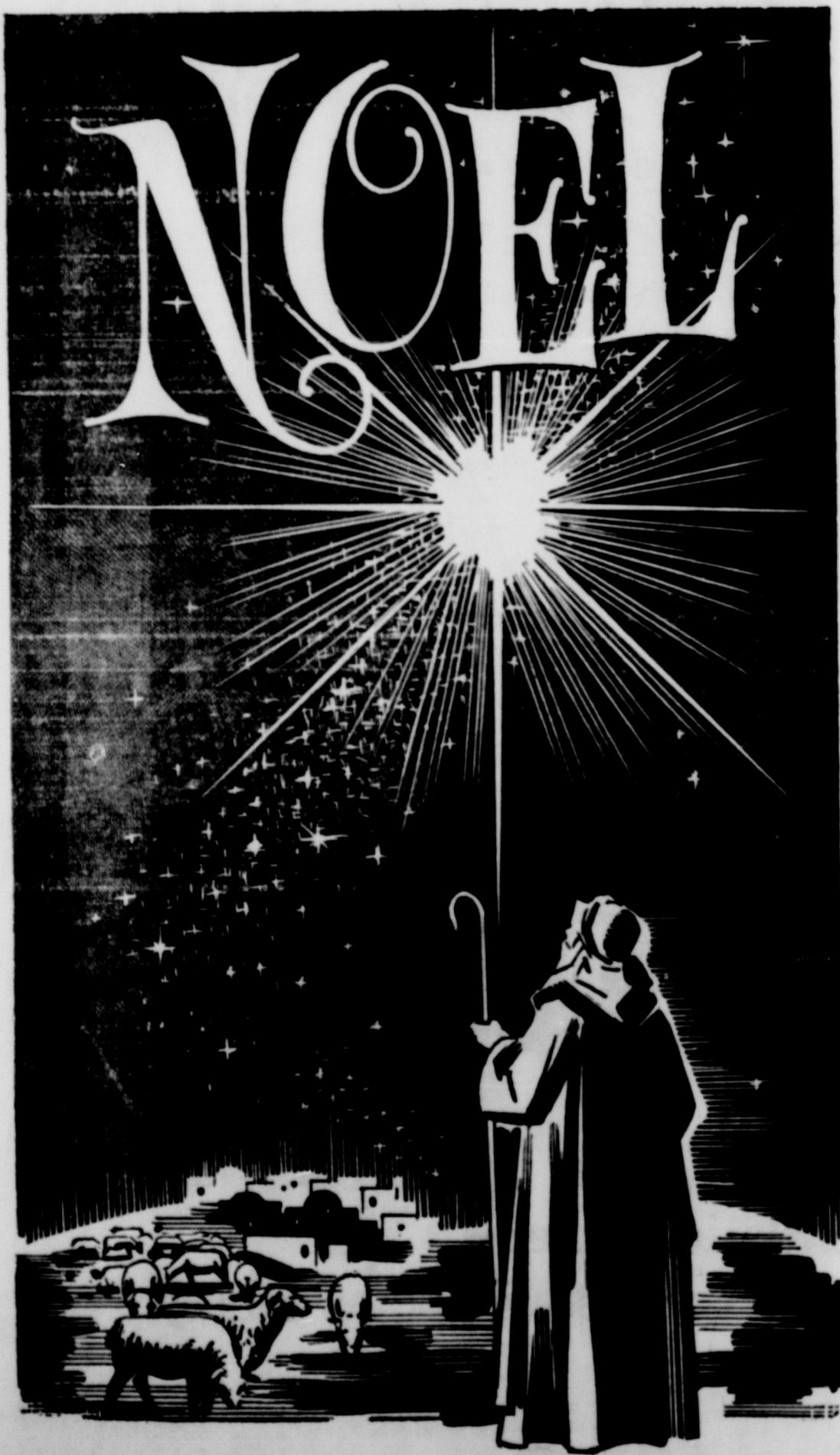


Oh Holy Night...

...with "tidings of great joy!" Again the Savior is reborn in the hearts of all mankind! May love and peace light your way this Christmas!

**DILLARD & FALKNER**

TEXACO SERVICE STATION



**Big D Drilling Co.**

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

## Letters To Ol' Santa

Dear Santa,  
I want a set of dishes. I want a doll that walks. Please bring my little twin sisters a doll each. Thank you, Santa.

Love,  
Debra Potter

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a training bike, a tricycle, Barbie doll and a set of dishes. Thank you, Santa.

Love,  
Bertha Dillard  
Rising Star

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me an English racer. Please bring me an army set. Please bring me a race car.

Love,  
Kenneth Glen Covey,  
Cross Plains, Texas

Dear Santa,  
I will like an army set. I will like a play bayonet. I will like a pack, too.

Thank you,  
Garry Smoot  
Cross Plains, Texas

Dear Santa,  
I want an army set. I want a Super Ball. I want an army gun.

Please bring them for Christmas. I live in Cross Plains and I have one dog.

Tommy Davis

Dear Santa,  
I want a Caterpillar. I want a maintainer. I want a dump truck.

Thank you,  
Freddie Childers,  
Cross Plains, Texas

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a watch and a Super Ball and a Baby First Step.

Love,  
Pat Rector

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me an army gun. Please bring me a tricycle. Please bring me an army set.

Your friend,  
Phillip Bennett

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I am fine. I want a B-B gun. I want a watch. I want an army set.

James Covey,  
Cross Plains, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a B-B gun. I would like a vacuum cleaner. I would like a Super Ball.

Thank you, Santa Claus.  
Love,  
Greg Turner  
Cross Plains, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Bible and a baton and a hair dryer. I like Christmas, Santa Claus. Thank you, Santa Claus. I live in Cross Plains, Texas.

Love,  
Beverly Wright

Dear Santa,  
I want Baby Boo. I want Baby First Step. Thank you, dear Santa Claus.

Marie Baugh,  
Cross Plains, Texas

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Mary Poppins doll and I would like a set of dishes. Thank you, Santa. I love dear Santa Claus.

Shirley Brown

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Baby First Step and a Barbie doll with some clothes. I want a baton and a watch. I want a vacuum cleaner. Thank you, Santa.

Love,  
Leslie Wyatt

Dear Santa,  
I want a camera, an army gun with a bayonet, and a Super Ball, please.

Love,  
Bill Holland  
Cross Plains, Texas

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Super Ball and a movie projector. Thank you Santa.

Love,  
Loye D. Brown

LANDOWNERS: Several types of "No Hunting" signs are now available at the Review



May the true meaning of the season come alive in your heart with joy and happiness for a truly Merry Christmas!

**GEORGE HUTCHINS**

MOBIL PRODUCTS



May the inspiration of this season bring a new understanding of peace to the hearts and minds of men this Christmas —

**SEWALT SALES**

PETE GOLSON, LOCAL MANAGER