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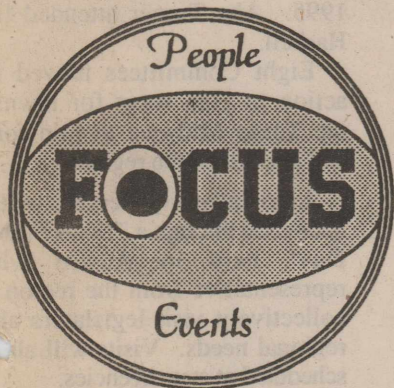
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Rotary Club wants exchange students

Rotary District 5790, which encompasses over 60 Rotary clubs in North Central Texas, is searching for students age 15-18 to participate in a cultural exchange program this summer. Requirements are a good academic standing and ambassadorial qualities.

The students will travel from DFW to destination countries in June. They will be met by Rotarians and will live in the homes of Rotarians. Each student will be hosted by foreign student of similar age and interests. In July, the students will return to the U.S. accompanied by their host sisters and brothers who will then spend 4 weeks in the U.S., departing in August.

For more information or to receive an application, call Abe Turner Youth Exchange Officer at 864-8555.

Social Security schedule announced

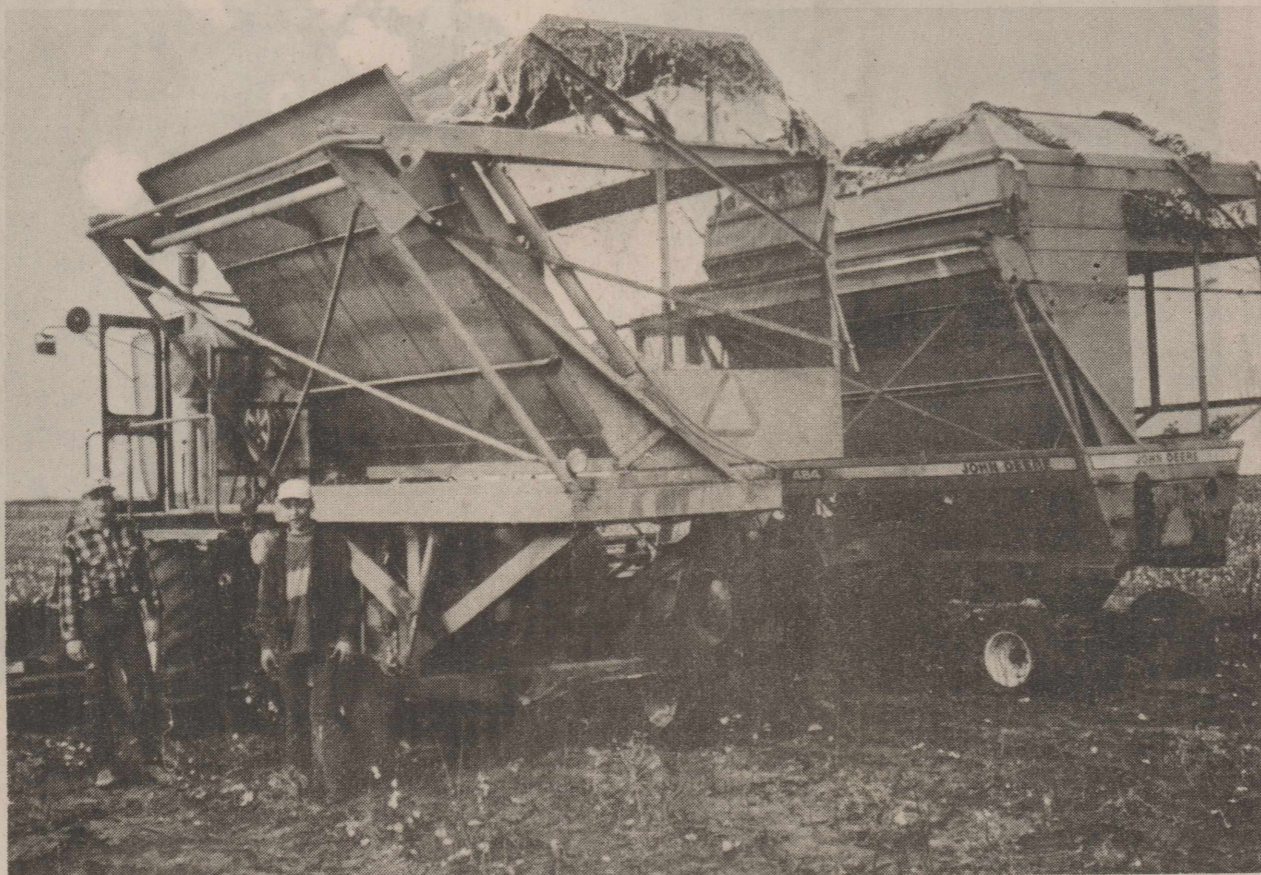
The first-quarter Social Security schedule for Haskell has been released by the district office in Abilene.

A representative will be in Haskell on the following dates: Jan. 5 and 19, Feb. 2 and 16, and Mar. 2 and 16.

He will be at the old city hall annex at 9:30 a.m. on those dates.

Correction

Omitted from the list submitted to the Free Press of names of businesses furnishing Santa gift certificates in last week's Free Press were Sport About and Heidenheimer's.



Neighbor helping neighbor

Brads Sanders, left, and Riley Pace are shown with cotton stripping equipment. They were among many local farmers who helped with the cotton stripping for Sharon Lefevre.

Local farmers work to help neighbor

"Love Thy Neighbor" was displayed December 12 at the farm of Sharon Lefevre when approximately 25 strippers, modules and several pieces of various equipment were brought by many local farmers to assist in the stripping of her cotton. Mrs.

Lefevre's husband died Aug. 31. The farmers were organized by Tommy Matthews of the Farmers Coop Gin. Tim Weise, president of the Haskell County Farm Bureau, assisted in the calling of farmers who could help. The gin shut down their normal operation to process the incoming

Lefevre cotton. Many farmers left their fields to use the combined effort to help their neighbor get her crop to the gin.

Decorations vandalized Monday

Haskell citizens are urged to be aware that vandalism of Christmas lights and decorations is occurring. Monday night several downtown businesses experienced vandalism of outdoor Christmas lights. The com-

munity Christmas light strands on the courthouse were also pulled apart. Haskell Police Department is asking citizens with any information concerning the vandalism to call their office at 864-2323.

Marci Elmore to go on summer tour

After auditioning last October for The Young Continental Singers, Marci Elmore has been invited to participate in one of their six concert tours in the summer of 1995. Her group will be traveling through the northeastern United States, including spending a day off in Washington, D.C.

The Young Continentals, a non-profit, interdenominational ministry, offers its members an experience of a life-time during the five action-packed weeks on tour. Each group consists of 30-40 members who, while on tour, sing mostly in churches and stay in

homes of church people. Powerful music and the message of Jesus Christ are the foundations of their ministry.

Marci's adventure officially begins June 11 with a trip to Denver, Colorado for an eight-day rehearsal camp where she will receive professional training in voice, choreography, and drama. She will also begin a spiritual discipleship program that will continue throughout the 36 day tour.

Preparation for the trip begins long before this, however. Prior to rehearsal camp much paperwork and fundraising must be completed, as

well as learning all the music to be performed while touring.

Tour members are not paid, but instead, each Young Continental is responsible for raising missionary support to cover the cost of their tour. Marci is currently accepting free-will offering and working (i.e. babysitting, housecleaning, etc.) to raise funding for her tour. Prayer support, as well as financial aid is also very important.

Upon returning July 16, Marci should be better equipped musically and spiritually to serve her church, school, and community. She is the daughter of W.O. and Mendi Elmore of Haskell and a 9th grader at Haskell High School.



MARCI ELMORE

Christmas lighting winners named

BY DAVID MIDDLETON
The Haskell Chamber of Commerce would like to commend all of the businesses and residential citizens of our fine city for their effort in going all out in Christmas lighting and decorations. All of the businesses and residential area were tremendous.

The judges recommended the following: Business Category: 1st Place Heads or Tails Western Wear; 2nd Place Personality/Slipper Shoppe; 3rd Place Bailey Toliver Chevrolet/Olds.

Residential Category: 1st Place (tie) Allie Belle Smith, 300 North 2nd and E.W. Pruett, 1603 N. Ave.

E; 2nd Place (tie) Ronnie Adams, 907 North 3rd East and Faye Stiewert, 1704 North Ave. G; 3rd Place (tie) Don Flippin, 700 North 19th and Donnie Rieger, 301 Bonnie Lane.

The Chamber of Commerce would like to congratulate all of the winners and wishes to thank all of the businesses and residential citizens on making our town so festive during this special time of the year. All of you are winners and really help to make our town truly "HASKELL ALIVE".

Merry Christmas---Haskell Chamber of Commerce.

Merchants to give \$1000 Saturday

Haskell merchants will given away \$1.00 in three drawings here Saturday afternoon.

The top winner will get \$500, and two others will receive \$250 each.

Three persons won \$200 each and four more claimed \$100 each in last Saturday's drawings.

Winning \$200 were Donita Hudgens on a ticket from Allison

Farm Supply, W. C. Steele on a ticket from M-System and Janet Cowperthwait on a ticket from Modern Way.

The \$100 winners were Jack Gilleland on a ticket from Cecil's Country Meat Market, Dan Hoover on a ticket from B&B Automotive, Adela Reyna on a ticket from Modern Way and Lona Mac Phelps on a ticket from Heidenheimer's.



Cowboy Christmas

Conrad Roewe of Sport-About is displaying his selection of Dallas Cowboy sweat shirts to shopper Carl Dever of Munday.

Happenings...

by Lois Redwine

Last weekend, the Jess Leonards celebrated Christmas early with their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. Those in the Leonard home were, Gene and Patty Leonard, Shelby and Lee from Mabank; Roger and Candi Leonard, Russell, Landon and Justin and Landon's friend from Gunter; granddaughter and family, Steve and Julie Marlett, Steve, Aaron, Brice, Haley and Marlett's grandson, Gage Marlett from Sharon, Ok.; granddaughter, Regina Bird from Woodward, Ok. and granddaughter and family, Richard and Alice Henderson, Jennifer, T.J., Frances, Rebecca and Sarah from Jal, N.M. The Gene and Roger Leonard families left Haskell enroute to Colorado for several days of skiing.

Several Sunday nights ago, Terry Kay Diggs was interviewed on ABC's Entertainment Tonight, along with several members of her Criminal Procedure class. The subject of the interview was "T.V. Camcras in the Courtroom". Terry Kay teaches Trial Advocacy at Hastings College of Law, University of California in San Francisco. She is the daughter of Terry and Kathleen Diggs.

Nick Long and daughter, Molly of Floydada spent Friday night with their in-laws and grandparents, Judge and Mrs. B.O. Roberson. On Saturday, they all went to Seymour for the Baylor County Jackpot Pig Show and saw Molly win 2nd place in her class.

Travis Burson of Arlington and Dan Burson of Lubbock were in Haskell last weekend with Chunky and Viola Tidwell for an early Christmas. They also visited Leon and Ella Belle Burson and Botch and Doris Burson.

Graduating Friday night in Behrens Chapel from the Lodgin School of Theology, Hardin Simmons University, was Paul J. Irby.

Jim and Jerry Bowers of Denton are staying with Oleta Bowers while they are in the process of moving to Haskell. Jim is employed by Charles Long Ford Sales in Anson.

Sudie Mae Doerr is in Fresno,

California visiting her son and family, Stan and Ivy Doerr and Merlin and Shirley Brice.

Dusty and Sarah Burson, Texas Tech students, are home for the holidays.

Celebrating Christmas early last weekend were Dr. and Mrs. Frank Cadenhead. Those home for the holidays were Bill and Diann Procter, Angela, Leta and Carrie from Waco; J.F. III and Ann Cadenhead, Joshua, Casey and Kati from Vernon; Helen Mary Holmes and Kim, San Angelo; Neil Holmes, Bever, Oklahoma; and from Haskell, Dr. Wayne, Yuvi Cadenhead, Jeremy, Christy, Wendy and Tiffany.

J.A. and LaVerne Mayfield, of Weinert, have recently been in DeSoto visiting their daughter and family, Duane and Alexia Rimmer, Adrienne, Elyse, and Meredith. They were joined there by their son, Arch Mayfield from Plainview and their daughter, Evelyn Mayfield of Dallas. They attended the Christmas cantata at the Hampton Road Baptist Church in DeSoto.

Visitors with Frieda Nehring in Rice Springs Care Home were Margaret Suter and Hazel Letz of Old Glory, Randolph and Nan Wilson and Betty Berry, Haskell.

The Robert Yeldell home was a busy place last week. The Sr. Mission met there last Monday, Pat and Angelo Jordan of Stamford visited and Billy Yeldell of Stamford visited his brother.

The Community Brotherhood met Tuesday night in Munday.

The Martin Luther King celebration will be hosted in January by the Hopewell Baptist Church Rev. John Lewis, pastor.

Bessie Hanson is spending the Christmas holidays in Odessa with her son, Rev. James Hanson.

Allene Wheatley was in Cleburne last week in the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Jerry and Mary Ann Wheatley. She was there for the Saturday, December 17 wedding of grandson, Dale Wheatley and Cheryl Ross. The ceremony was held in the Wheatley home.

No Happenings until next year. Merry Christmas to all.



PATRICIA ANN KIRBY

Holiday ceremony unites Patricia Henry, Grant Kirby

Patricia Ann Henry and Grant Edwin Kirby were united in marriage Saturday, December 17 in the First United Methodist Church. Paul Kirby, father of the groom officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Pat and Charley Henry of Haskell. The bridegroom is the son of Paul Kirby of Goldthwaite and Wynelle Kirby of Dumas.

Nelda Lane was organist. Vocalists were Michael and Regina Balmfaulk of College Station.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a gown of white bridal satin enhanced with battenburg lace, pearls, and iridescent sequins. The fitted applied bodice featured a sculptured V'd neckline and long sleeves of lace on illusion which tapered to the waist.

The slipper length skirt fell from a basque waist and flowed into a full chapel length train edged with battenburg lace. Long rows of beaded lace and appliques accented the entire train. To compliment her gown, the bride wore a veil of sequined lace and satin rosettes. The wreath held a triple pouf and layered tulle.

The bride carried a bouquet of

white gardenias, red roses and white roses accented with English ivy, tulle and red and white satin ribbon.

Maid of honor was Cindy Henry of Haskell. Bridesmaids were Sherry Perry of Caldwell, Jeanie Resendez of College Station, Laura Gafford of Houston, Paula Gustafson of Shirtz and Julie Goodenough of Abilene.

The bridal attendants were tailored two piece suits of emerald green velveteen with gold braid trim and rhinestone buttons. They carried a bouquet of red velvet roses with white carnations and gold ribbon.

Flower girl was Carla Resendez. Hunter Harris was ringbearer.

Best man was Scott Kirby of Goldthwaite. Groomsmen were Harry Henry of Arlington, Stuart Swiggitt of Spring, Brian Bersano of Arlington, Travis Clark of College Station, and Clint Duncan of Houston.

Josh McCormick of Pearland and Mark Ramsey of College Station were ushers.

A reception and dance were held following the ceremony at the American Legion Hall catered by Flora Pace.

The rehearsal dinner was held in the Fellowship Hall of the First

United Methodist Church. The dinner was catered by Flora Pace and hosted by the groom's parents.

After a wedding trip to Lake Tahoe, the couple will reside in Houston.

The bride is a graduate of Texas A&M University. She has a degree in accounting and is employed with a CPA firm in Houston.

A graduate of Texas A&M University, the groom holds a degree in bio-medical science. He is employed by Fort Bend County Emergency Medical Services.

A lingerie shower was held Nov. 5 in the home of Sherry Perry in College Station.

A gift tea was held Nov. 19 in the home of Jo Cox of Haskell. Hostesses were Jo Cox, Nelda Lane, Lou Gilly, Christie Stapleton, Cathy Bartley, Peggy Hairgrove, Jane Smith, Mary Lowe, Julie Goodenough and Louetta Davis.

A "get-acquainted" tea was given by Joy Barnett of Goldthwaite on Dec. 5.

A bridesmaid's brunch was held Dec. 17 in the home of Gladys O'Neal. Hostesses were Gladys O'Neal, Dwanna Klose, Jane Smith and Mary Eleanor McCollum.

Abe Turner attends TMCN meeting

Haskell is a member of the Texas Midwest Community Network. This new organization is committed to creating ways for community representatives to work together for the good of the region.

During the TMCN Council meeting held at Hardin-Simmons University December 1st, delegates from 29 town participated in planning program strategies for 1995. Abe Turner attended from Haskell.

Eight Committees moved into action to plan ways for towns in the Texas Midwest to join forces and strengthen the region:

Legislative Concerns will be addressed through a "Texas Midwest Day" held in Austin where representative from the region can collectively visit legislators about regional needs. Visits will also be scheduled at state agencies.

Network Luncheons are planned for January and April when mayors, city administrators, county judges and commissioners as well as chamber executives and officers and economic development representatives will be invited to visit about challenges and concerns in their respective communities. Success stories will also be shared.

Motivation for Volunteers is a major concern of TMCN since many town depend completely on volunteers for special events and community services. Ways to assist and reward volunteers are being developed.

Workshops on a number of topics will be offered in the region to assist community leaders with information and "how to" methods. The first workshop planned for February will focus on the sales tax for economic development. More workshops will be planned for assisting non-profit organizations, NAFTA and how it affects this region, and developing community volunteers and leaders.

Marketing the region is essential for economic growth and job creation. Plans were made to develop a regional identity and encourage the use of "the Texas Midwest" phrase. A regional map with information about each member town will be published and a regional calendar of events will be distributed to newspapers and chamber offices throughout the region.

Peer Review Teams will be organized and offer a free evaluation service to member towns for festivals, beautification programs and economic development projects.

Communications is the key to success for any organization or effort. Quarterly newsletters will be distributed to community representatives with updates about

regional activities, success stories, legislative matters and economic development projects. A central office will provide sources of information for community representatives.

Membership provides the base of concerned citizens, businesses and towns to make a regional effort effective. Numbers is the name of the game to be heard in Austin and to accomplish the many programs that will benefit the region.

For more information about the Texas Midwest Community Network call 915/893-2099.

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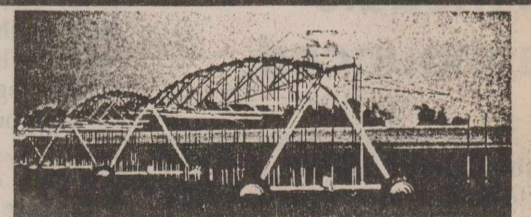
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Gail Lehrmann is spending some time in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clancy Lehrmann.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bredthauer visited in the home of Mrs. Lena Boedeker, Friday.

Those who attended the Christmas tree in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Toney were Mrs. Mary Neinst, Mrs. Glyn Quade, Mrs. Franklin Mrazek, Mrs. Alvin Bredthauer, Mrs. Barbara Nauret, Mrs. Marie Zell, Pastor Jeff Zell, Mr. Clarence Stegemoeller, Mrs. Odene Dudensing, and Mrs. Clancy Lehrmann.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Teichelman and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bredthauer went to Abilene, Thursday, to bowl with the senior citizen league.

Thanksgiving visitors in the home of Mr. A.H. Teichelman were Marilyn, Dan, Matt and Stephen Humphreys from Burk Burnett, Darlene Hold from Huntsville. They all attended the annual Teichelman Thanksgiving supper which was hosted this year

by Bernice and Carl Lunn. Fifty-five descendants of the late Charlie and Nelle Teichelman enjoyed visiting and remembering past Thanksgivings.

Two week before Thanksgiving, Mrs. Anton Teichelman accompanied Darlene and Winston Hold of Huntsville to Midland. The trip was made to visit Allen and Charlotte Hold who recently moved to the Midland area.

Gregg Teichelman spent the weekend in the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Teichelman.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Mrazek visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Monse on Tuesday.

Mr. Melton Mathis visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Monse.

It was so nice to see so many people in Faith Lutheran Church, Sunday for the Christmas children's program. After the program a sandwich supper was held in the Fellowship Hall.



MR. AND MRS. MARK CASEY

Violence rises during holidays

Violence between domestic partners has become a more public topic than ever before in the U.S. Sensational news coverage of sports celebrity O.J. Simpson's alleged murder of his former wife after years of reported beatings and other abuse has for months kept a spotlight on the dynamics of domestic violence.

And according to health officials, public discussion has unmasked a startling range of attitudes about the victims and the perpetrators of violence in the American home.

With the approach of the holiday season, health, mental health and law enforcement experts predict that domestic violence will mar the festivities in some Texan households. Family violence involving domestic partners occurs often and intensely during the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

David Zane, director of the Texas Department of Health (TDH) Injury Control and Prevention Division, explained some of the dynamics of domestic violence at Christmas. "During important festivities, people's emotions, their expectations and wishes, their disappointments and depression often intensify. If violent behavior already is one of a family's problems, it is more likely to recur during such emotional seasons," he explained.

Zane said that although TDH operates no single program to combat family violence, it works with the Texas Council on Family Violence, the Texas Department of Human Services, local battered women's shelters and child protective services to offer information and referral to families in danger of violence. The TDH Injury Prevention and Control Division does research and analyzes data used to determine characteristics of different kinds of injuries, so that prevention programs and advisories can be created.

"To perceive the seriousness of domestic violence, specifically between spouses or intimate partners, one has to understand that many cases of injuries go unreported," Zane said. "While men are sometimes injured in domestic, the victims usually are women."

Zane cites the following

statistics on domestic violence from 1993:

- Nearly 156,000 incidents of family violence were reported to the police in Texas last year.

- About 161 Texas women (about one every other day in 1993) were killed by their intimate male partner.

- Throughout the U.S., an estimated one in five adult women has been physically abused at least once by a male intimate, a ratio which is the same among pregnant women who are assaulted by their partners.

- Similarly, about one-fifth of women's injuries requiring emergency room care are the result of battering.

- Each year, about 1.8 million women in the nation are physically assaulted by their male partners.

- The American Medical Association estimates that apart from the toll in lives lost, injuries and psychological damage, domestic violence costs the nation \$5 billion to \$10 billion annually in medical expenses, police and court costs, shelters and foster care, sick leave, absenteeism and lost productivity in the workplace.

Zane said that TDH and other agencies support heightened public awareness that domestic violence is a crime that often is repeated--usually in increasing severity--until either the victim seeks help or authorities intervene. Sometimes the victims feel trapped and fear the consequences of reporting their peril. "And for a tragic few, that fear contributes to the death toll during our holiday season," he said.

Parker, Casey repeat vows

Myra Ann Parker and Mark Steven Casey of Haskell were united in marriage on Saturday, October 29, 1994 at the First Christian Church in Haskell. Frank Summers, minister of the church, performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Kathy and Sid Parker of Graham. She is the granddaughter of Gene and Nancy Plunkett of Haskell, Fred and Mary Parker of Abilene, the late Bob Smith of Midland, and the great granddaughter of Ima Lee Smith of Rulc. The groom is the son of Gary M. Casey of Graham.

A heart-shaped arch decorated with greenery and ivory bows formed a backdrop for the ceremony. Flanking the altar was a heart-shaped candelabra stoop decorated with greenery and votive candles. The bride, given in marriage by her father, chose a formal ivory gown of satin and lace. Designed with a slightly scooped neckline, the fitted basque bodice featured elegantly scalloped lace, which was embellished with seed pearls, iridescent sequins and hanging pearls. The fitted half-length sleeves were accented with hanging pearls at the shoulder and lace appliques; the full skirt with chapel train was adorned by a

formal satin peplum.

An ivory tiara held her fingertip pencil edge veil in a soft pouf in back. The bride carried a cascading bouquet of ivory silk flowers, accented by rosebuds in her chosen colors of hunter green, burgundy and ivory. Intertwined with the flowers were lace, pearls and bows.

For something old and borrowed, the bride carried handkerchiefs belonging to two of her great-great grandmothers. For something special from her past, the bride wore a penny of her birth year in her shoe.

As the guest were seated, "I Cross My Heart" was played. The

bride's sister, Sara Parker, surprised the bride and groom by singing "The Rose" as her gift to the couple. As the bride and groom lit the unity candle, the Minister Frank Summers, sang "I Will Be There". After the couple repeated their vows, "Everything I Do, I Do For You" was played. After the ceremony, the bride presented her mother with a red rose and the groom presented one to his father.

Wedding music was provided by Nelda Lane, organist, who played a medley of the bride and groom's favorite songs.

The maid-of-honor was the bride's sister, Sara Parker of Graham. She wore a tea-length satin dress with silk organza overlay in hunter green. She carried a smaller bouquet to compliment the bride's. Kayla Cernosek of Graham served as flower girl. She wore a burgundy Victorian smock with puffed sleeves and ruffles.

The groom was dressed in an ivory full dressed tuxedo with tails. He wore a bow-tie and cummerbund of hunter green. Serving the groom

as best man was Michael Casey, brother of the groom, from Graham. He wore a black pin-striped tuxedo with a cummerbund and bow tie of burgundy.

Spencer Malaise of Midland, cousin of the bride, was ring-bearer. He wore a black tuxedo with a cummerbund and bow tie of burgundy.

Ushers for the wedding were Joseph Smith of Bryan, uncle of the bride, and Matt Casey of Graham, brother of the groom. They wore tuxedos to match the best man and had black cummerbunds and bow ties.

Registering guests for the wedding and reception was Lisa Eads of Garland, cousin of the bride. Guests were given book marks with a message from the bride's parents engraved on them.

Following the ceremony, the bride's parents hosted a reception catered by Flora Pace of Haskell, at the Haskell National Bank Community Center. A chandelier light behind the bride's table softly illuminated an ice sculpture of the bride and groom. Fresh flowers surrounded the sculpture. The three-tiered wedding cake was red velvet with cream cheese icing, topped with silk flowers of her chosen colors. Fresh flowers, roses, pom-poms, alstromeria, and baby's breath decorated the cake.

Pictures of the bride and groom when they were small children, and pictures taken from the day the

groom proposed marriage to the bride to their wedding day were placed for the guest to view, as were framed poems, "Father Of The Bride" and "My Daughter, My Gift", presented by the bride's parents.

Serving at the bride's table during the reception were Lashelle Parker of Ft. Worth, cousin of the bride, and Julie Casey, sister of the groom.

After a wedding trip to Abilene, the couple will make their home in Haskell.

Friday night, October 28, the father of the groom, Gary M.

Casey, hosted the rehearsal dinner at the Branding Iron in Rochester.

A couples' shower was held in the home of Marc and Melissa Robison the night of October 25. Serving as hosts with the Robison's were George and Becky Malaise of Midland, Jane Boon and Nedra McCauley of Haskell.

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Joseph Martin joins Delayed Entry Program

Joseph Randall Martin, Jr., a senior of Haskell High School, Haskell, has joined the U.S. Army under its Delayed Entry Program. The Delayed Entry Program enables a student to delay reporting for training for up to a year so that he can finish his studies.

Sergeant Virgil Martin of the Army's Recruiting Station in Abilene, who recruited Martin, says

he is scheduled to report June 7, 1995 to begin basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. Martin has committed to six years' service and asked for advanced individual training as an Aircraft Pneumatics Repairer.

Martin is the son of Becky Lynn Walton of Stamford, and the late Randy Martin.

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--From Out of the Past-- From the Files of The Haskell Free Press

20 Years Ago
December 26, 1974
The USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service Office at Munday classed 7,300 cotton samples during the week ending December 20. This brings the season total to 26,000, according to Sidney Ferrell, In-Charge.

Several thousand people were in Haskell Saturday to search through thousands of ticket stubs in attempts to win some \$450.00 in cash given away by Haskell merchants. The final drawing was held Monday afternoon on the Courthouse lawn and a record number of people were present.

The old and familiar story of the birth of the Christ child was told in song by the Rule School Choir at their Christmas Choir program last Thursday night.

Haskell Lions Club Goodfellow Fund chairman Royce Adkins announced this week that the

Goodfellows would distribute 70 baskets Tuesday morning to needy families in Haskell.

30 Years Ago
December 24, 1964
Judy Baitz, 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Baitz has been chosen FFA Sweetheart by the Haskell Chapter, Future Farmers of America.

R. W. (Bob) Herren, well-known Haskell citizen, has been named chairman of the Haskell County Savings Bond Committee, succeeding J. M. Crawford, who is retiring from this civic activity after many years of faithful service.

Samples classes at the USDA Cotton Classing Office in Munday reached a season total of 50,411 last week. The number classed during last week totaled 7,963.

Mike Felker, president of the Haskell Chapter, Future Teachers of America, was elected a voting delegate to the state FTA convention in Houston next March at a District 7 FTA banquet hosted by the Haskell group at Sam's Cafe here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Letz, of Haskell, were among a number of central air conditioning dealers, their wives, and key officials of Texas Distributors, Inc., who recently made a pilgrimage to Tyler to inspect the General Electric Air Conditioner plant facilities there.

Mrs. John L. Brooks of Sagerton went to Irving Monday to be there when her daughter, Judy, had her tonsils out. Judy is teaching in Irving and it taking part of her Christmas vacation for this. She hopes to be well enough to come home to Sagerton for Christmas Dinner and feel like eating!

Ford Cole of Texas Tech is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Skinny Cole.

60 Years Ago
December 27, 1934
Only four changes will be made in Haskell County office-holders Tuesday, Jan. 1, when new officials are sworn in. Roy Ratliff will be the new District Clerk, Giles Kemp will assume the duties of Sheriff; Matt Graham will be county superintendent; and A. B. Hutchens, commissioner of Precinct 1. All

other officials were re-elected. Sheriff-Elect Giles Kemp made known his selection of Mart Clifton of this city as Chief Deputy, and Mrs. Frank Williams as office deputy. He said that other deputies would not be selected until around Jan. 1.

A final drive in the buying of drought-stricken cattle in Haskell is under way this week by inspectors. 825 cattle were purchased from Haskell County farmers last week. This brought total buying to around 6,000 head and placed over \$70,000 in the pockets of farmers. The buying program is expected to end this month.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. Sanders spent Christmas Day in Munday with Mrs. Sanders' parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Pendleton.

Mrs. Arthur Edwards and daughter, Frances Merle, left Wednesday for San Angelo to visit relatives.

Miss Mildred Shook of Mineral Wells spent the holidays with relatives and friends here.

70 Years Ago
December 26, 1924
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Smith of Fayetteville, Ark., and their son, Ray Smith, of Kansas City, are visiting in the home of Mr. Smith's brother, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Smith, in this city. The Arkansas couple are oldtimers here, having lived here until a few years ago.

Elder J. D. Harvey of this city returned last week from a deer hunt with several of his friends from Stamford. He killed one deer and two turkeys, and the entire party killed six deer on the trip.

Many turkeys have been handled by the Western Produce Company of this city during the past two months. F. L. Caldwell, manager of the concern, says more than 15,000 birds have been shipped from Haskell this season. Most of the birds were dressed and consigned to the larger cities in the north and east. He estimates each turkey netted an average of \$3 to the farmer, making around \$50,000 his company has paid out for turkeys alone this season.

Rev. W. D. Dilbeck of Sulphur, Okla., visited in the home of Rev. J. L. Dilbeck in the Howard Community last week.

90 Years Ago
December 26, 1904
Lewis Howard has sold his place of 105 acres southeast of town to M. B. Howard for a consideration of \$250.

Frank Simmons was in town the first of the week, apparently looking for Santa Claus.

Mrs. L. A. Watson, of Duval County, is visiting the family of Mr. and Mrs. Z. B. Thomason.

Mr. Walter Hicks came in from Dallas Tuesday night to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends here.

Mrs. John Howard and children of the Paint Creek community left Tuesday to spend Christmas with the old folks in Comanche County.

The Rebecca Lodge held its annual election Monday night, when the following officers were elected: Miss Jestyne Ellis, N.G.; Miss Docia Winn, V.G.; Mrs. H. R. Jones, secretary; Miss Bertha Irby, treasurer; and Mrs. J. W. Meadors representative of the Grand lodge.

-LETTERS-

Dear editor,
We would like to express our appreciation to all of those that helped to make our annual Tour of Homes a success.

We are fortunate to live in a community where there is a genuine love and concern for one another. The loyal support of our citizens allows us to continue serving the frightened families that turn to us for help.

A special thank you to Frances Lane, Brian and Jennifer Burgess, Todd and Missy Lewis, Lonnie and Kim Meredith, and Mac and Bettye McBroom for so graciously opening their beautiful homes on our behalf. And to our Advisory Committee who make it all possible, thank you for all your hard work and for the delicious refreshments.

Merry Christmas to you and yours!
Donna Sue Anders
Outreach Coordinator
Noah Project - North

Dear editor,
The Haskell Methodist youth would like to take this opportunity to extend our gratitude to all who helped make our cookbook sale and tour of homes so successful. We particularly thank the generous families who opened their homes and hearts to make our tour possible.
In Christ's Love,
Haskell Methodist Youth

Dear Editor,
At this hectic and happy time of year, the Board of Directors of the Haskell Chamber of Commerce would like to wish the happiest of holidays for all our local citizens and businesses. But especially, the Board would like to take this

opportunity to express our gratitude for all the efforts put forth by our Chamber Manager, "Coach" David Middleton. Not only is Coach an excellent spokesman for the Chamber and our community, but he works long hours behind the scenes in many different capacities. Some of the results of his efforts are obvious to the public, but many others go unnoticed and are

considered to be "just part of the job".
So, Coach, for all your hard work, organization skills, and leadership, a sincere "Thank You!" Merry Christmas, Happy New Year, and may God bless you and yours.
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Vergil Smith resigns from church

Rev. Vergil Smith of Haskell has resigned as pastor of Trinity Baptist Church in Stamford. His last service will be December 28.
Rev. Smith will continue to be available for supply or revivals.

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Throughout the year, CPSC inspects and tests thousands of kinds of toys made in this country as well as overseas, and TDH verifies that the dangerous toys identified by CPSC are taken off the Texas market. Each year, toys that contain hazardous materials such as lead paint are found. Other toys are poorly designed, with small parts that can be detached or broken off and swallowed by young children. Brittle plastic and sharp metal in other toys, and inappropriate labeling for the intended age group, add to the possibility that a child may be hurt or killed.

In 1993, some 127,000 U.S. children, 40 percent of whom were younger than 5, were treated in hospital emergency rooms for injuries related to toys. That number does not include children treated at home and by clinics or family doctors. Several children died, mostly from choking, strangulation or suffocation associated with toys.

The majority of toys recalled as safety hazards each year are imported. American manufacturers adhere more closely to safety regulations than some overseas toy makers. Some foreign manufacturers are known for making toys that have had to be recalled, and the U.S. Customs Service alerts CPSC to the arrival of those products.

Charles Branton, director of the TDH Product Safety Program, advised parents, "As hard as government may try to eliminate toy dangers, sheer volume in the toy industry precludes our guaranteeing absolute safety. Adults should play it safe and check any toy for defective material, detachable parts and age appropriateness. Plain common sense on the part of parents often can prevent tragedy," he said.

Branton urged parents who find toys they suspect to be defective, dangerous or mislabeled to contact the TDH Product Safety Program at 512-719-0200.

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HEATHER HOBGOOD

Heather Hobgood at Aloha Bowl

Heather Hobgood, senior cheerleader at Haskell High School, will be participating in the halftime activities of the Aloha Bowl Christmas Day in Honolulu, Hawaii. Heather is eligible to participate in the post season bowl game because of her selection as an NCA All-American Cheerleader.

Rooming with girls from Virginia and Missouri, Heather will be performing with approximately 300 girls from across the United States. She left Monday, December 19, and will return home Tuesday, December 27.

The game will be shown locally on ABC channel 12 at 2:30 p.m.

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Texas driver licenses to have new look in 1995

Texas driver licenses will have a new look beginning early in 1995.

The new licenses will be more convenient for Texas' 15.6 million license and identification card holders and will provide more security features, according to the Texas Department of Public Safety.

"We're always looking for new ways to prevent criminals from using driver licenses for illegal purposes," said DPS Director Col. James R. Wilson. "The new licenses and identification cards will be much harder to forge or alter. A real bonus is that the same technology that make the new licenses more secure will greatly reduce the time it takes to get the card into the hands of the owner."

The DPS will begin phasing in the new technology in January. New licenses will be available in all 243 towns and cities with driver license offices later in the year.

Current licenses need not be replaced. They will continue to be

valid until their expiration date. Fees will remain the same.

The new licenses will have a look similar to a credit card, but will be easy to distinguish because of colorful images of the Texas flag and Texas seal against a beige background. New digital imaging technology also will enhance the licensees' photographs.

"The new format will include a magnetic stripe, a bar code and a special laminate to maximize security," said Judy Sibert, DPT project manager for the digital image driver license system. "Licenses issued for Texans under the age of 21 will look different from regular licenses, making it easier for merchants to determine a customer's age."

The application and renewal procedures will change very little. Applicant's thumb prints will be taken using imaging equipment, eliminating the mess of ink. Photos will be taken with video cameras linked to computers,

allowing technicians to better assure a good likeness of the applicant.

"A real benefit to licensees is that the new system will allow us to get the license in their hands in fewer than 10 days, instead of the current four to six weeks," Sibert said. "And as merchants adopt equipment capable of reading the magnetic stripe, these new cards will speed up check acceptance."

Sibert said another security feature will be a laminate embossed with the word "Texas" in lines on the front. The "Texas" will glow under ultraviolet light.

Drivers with good records will continue to be able to renew for a second four-year period without returning to a license office.

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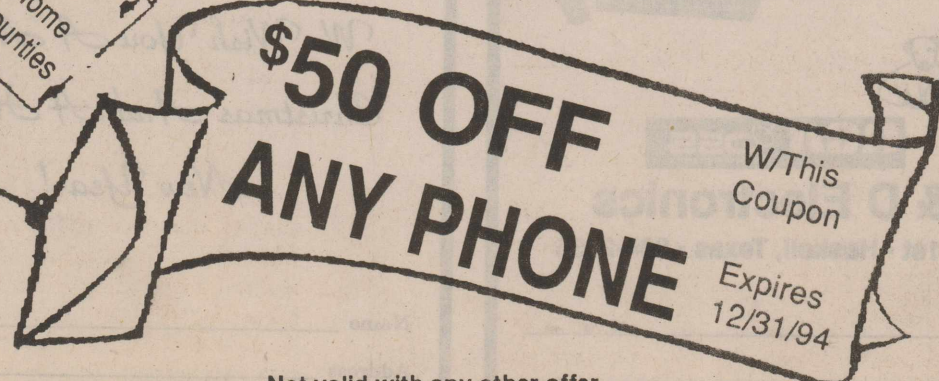
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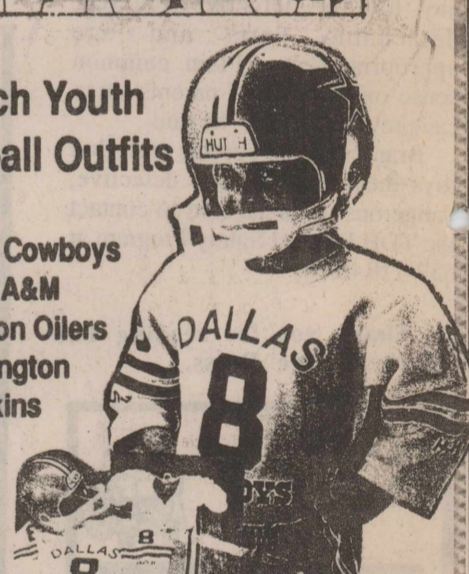
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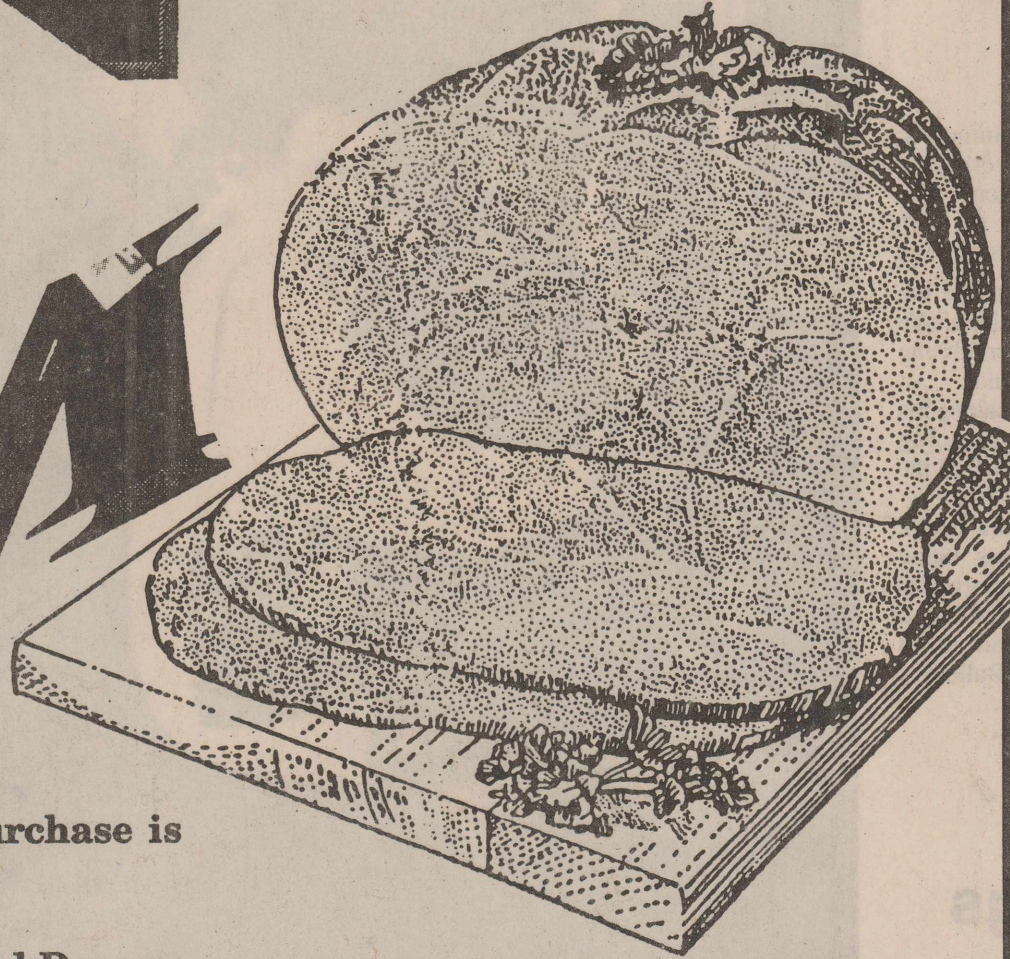
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Bullock appoints Haywood to key committees

Lt. Governor Bob Bullock announced that Senator-elect Tom Haywood of Wichita Falls will serve on four key committees and subcommittees in the 74th Regular Legislative Session.

"I believe Senator-elect Haywood has the expertise and experience to serve on these very important committees," said Bullock.

"I've put the most qualified people in positions where they can best serve the state of Texas," said

Bullock.

Bullock appointed Haywood to serve as a member of the following committees and subcommittees: Economic Development, Education, Natural Resources and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Agriculture.

Bullock announced appointments to all Senate committees and subcommittees on Tuesday. The Senate will be made up of 11 standing committees and two

special committees.

In making the appointments, Bullock laid the groundwork for a bipartisan legislative session.

"The Texas Senate in the 74th Regular Legislative Session will confront issues that will shape the future of Texas for generations. We all want to work together for the good of Texas," Bullock said.

Bullock said he was breaking his own tradition in announcing committee appointments before the session begins on January 10.

"We have a lot of work to do. Announcing appointments today will give Senators an opportunity to hire their committee staffs and start to work. We all want to hit the ground running," said Bullock.

Watch fields for greenbugs

The Bug Report
Louise D. Chedester, EA-Ento. (PM)
and Max Stapleton, CEA-Ag.

Watch your wheat field closely. Heaviest numbers of greenbugs continue to be found in Jones, Fisher, Stonewall and Haskell Counties, with numbers ranging up to 200 to 1,500 per row foot in most heavily infested fields. The largest number, 1,500 per row foot on six-inch wheat, was found in Fisher County.

Beneficial insects and spiders are light and will be until warmer conditions allow for their increased activity - probably after mid-February.

Winged greenbugs make up part of the greenbug populations in fields in the southern part of the area. When greenbug populations are under stress, a higher percentage of the population will be winged. Winged greenbugs are capable of migrating long distances on the prevailing winds.



Enjoying shopping trip

Shown shopping in Hassen's are sisters Jessie Woltman and Minnie Pearl Kinney. The ladies are residents of Rule.

Prepare safe turkey dinner

The Texas Department of Health (TDH) warns that proper thawing of turkeys and careful food storage are two ways cooks can avoid causing illnesses during the holiday season.

Each year during the holidays, several food poisoning outbreaks occur in Texas. They usually are traced to turkey spoilage.

Barbara Keir, director of the Public Health Nutrition program at TDH, said that turkey should be thawed in the refrigerator, or under

running water at 70 degrees or below.

"A recurrent mistake is thawing the turkey at room temperature, which allows the surface to warm before the inside meat can thaw. That allows dangerous bacteria to reproduce and cause food poisoning," Keir said.

She added that thawing in a microwave oven is safe only if the food will be immediately cooked. After thawing, the turkey should be

rinsed thoroughly and dried, inside and out.

Leftover meat should be cut off the bone and refrigerated. A safety rule is to freeze any portions to be kept beyond two days. Stuffing should be stored separately.

Keir added the following tips for avoiding salmonella poisoning, perhaps the most common form of food poisoning in the home.

- Prepare turkey stuffing immediately before cooking. Dry ingredients can be mixed in advance, but eggs, oysters, butter or other moist ingredients should not be added until cooking time.

- Cook the stuffing separately, or stuff the bird right before cooking--not the night before.

- When fully cooked, dense portions of the turkey, such as the thighs, should have reached at least 180 degree Fahrenheit, measured with a meat thermometer. The stuffing should reach at least 165 degrees Fahrenheit.

- Never leave a turkey, the stuffing or gravy unrefrigerated for more than two hours.

- If the cook uses a microwave oven, the turkey should be rotated to ensure uniform cooking.

- Cooks should wash hands, cooking surfaces, utensils and all foods thoroughly and often during food preparations.

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Boll weevil eradication program successful for Texas growers

With the boll weevil eradication program about to wrap up its first season in the southern Rolling Plains and poised to begin in the Rio Grande Valley, program officials feel they're well on their way to eradicating a pest that has plagued growers since cotton was first grown in Texas.

"We're about to apply the last treatments of the year, and the program in the southern Rolling Plains appears to be on the right track and the outcome seems positive," said Osama El-Lissy of San Angelo, program director.

The number of adult boll weevils trapped in the last six weeks in 22 fields in that area has steadily declined, El-Lissy said. Adult boll weevils normally overwinter in broadleaf litter -- the organic matter that accumulates under trees, shrubs, and evergreens -- and traps are used to indicate levels of insect activity.

The boll weevil has been costing the American cotton grower about \$350 million annually in lost yields and the cost of control. In Texas, the loss is estimated at \$20 million.

The boll weevil entered from Mexico more than a century ago, said John Norman, Extension entomologist in Weslaco.

"Either you get rid of it or you get out of the cotton business," he said.

In North Carolina and South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, and parts of Alabama where the boll weevil has been eradicated through programs such as this, Norman said, growers doing just the opposite -- they're expanding cotton acreage and building mills.

"If we were to eradicate the boll weevil and bring that money back into the market place, then everyone who was associated with agriculture would benefit. It's like a snowball effect," El-Lissy said.

For the program, the state is divided into nine zones; the southern Rolling Plains was the first to pass and implement the program. Growers in the Rio Grande Valley, who voted in the program this fall, will begin participation in February when their mapping program begins.

Each zone is mapped to show the location of different crops, as

well as sensitive sites such as schools, homes, churches, and public and private facilities. Every effort will be made to avoid these sites in the spraying program.

In all areas, traps will be placed around fields. When traps show heavy boll weevil activity, the field will be sprayed with low levels, 15 ounces per acre, of malathion.

"Once we eradicate the boll weevil, that will eliminate the use of pesticides for boll weevil control completely," El-Lissy said.

"This is one of the biggest events in the history of integrated

pest management in Texas," Norman said. "If we can remove the weevil as a pest, period, then we open the door for natural enemy control of other pests."

Natural enemies often were destroyed by the pesticide used to control the boll weevil.

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Santa pictures

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Runaway hotline established

The first nationwide runaway hotline, which was started by Governor Dolph Briscoe twenty-one years ago, became the Texas

Runaway Hotline on November 1. "In Texas, more than 120,000 children run away each year," states Jay Smith, hotline director. "Most

are not running to something, but rather, are running from overwhelming problems that often include physical and sexual abuse. Many times alcohol and drug abuse are contributing factors. As a statewide hotline we will be able to focus all of our energy and resources towards Texas youth."

The Texas Runaway Hotline is a toll-free, 24 hour a day hotline answered by more than 100 volunteers and staff members who offer crisis intervention and peer counseling. Information and referrals are available to callers who are in need of shelter, counseling, medical and legal assistance, as well as services that provide free transportation home. A message relay service is also provided to help runaways contact their families.

Over the next few months, Smith and his staff will be busy promoting the hotline's transition from a nationwide to statewide program. The hotline's toll-free number and services will be promoted through public service announcements on television, radio and in print.

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Helping out

Local farmers brought equipment to the farm of Sharon Lefevre to harvest her cotton recently. Shown are Rick Drinnon, left, and Brad Sanders.

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Tips for celebrating smart during holiday parties

The Abilene Regional Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse is encouraging citizens of the Big Country to "celebrate smart" with a few life-saving tips for holiday parties.

During the holiday season when the alcohol beverage industry is marketing their products with glitzy television, radio, and magazine ads that sing, shake and sparkle, it's easy to forget that half of all traffic accidents are alcohol-related. According to the latest statistics from the Texas Department of Public Safety, Christmas and New Year's weekends accounted for thirty-six fatal DWI (driving while intoxicated) accidents with forty-seven deaths.

Be sure that this year's holidays live up to your expectations. Take care of your friends, your family and yourself by following these simple and easy guidelines.

TIPS FOR HOSTS:
•Do not let someone who has been drinking drive. Arrange for him or her to sleep in your home or to ride with a sober driver.
•Remember that informed, health-conscious adults whom you know to drink occasionally will prefer non-alcoholic beverages in the following situations: if they are pregnant or trying to conceive, if they are using medicine of any kind, if they have had difficulty keeping their drinking moderate in the past, if they plan to drive after your party, if they wish for some other reason to avoid any of alcohol's many short and long term effects.
•Never serve alcohol to anyone under the age of 21, for whom it is an illegal drug. Remember that your responsibility for drinking by

underage guests lasts beyond the time they are in your home. Remember, too, that alcohol-related car crashes are the leading cause of death for people between 15-24 years of age.

•Provide your guests with nutritious food. Eating will slow alcohol's effects.

•Appoint a sober bartender to monitor guests' drinking and serve measured, standard drinks rather than doubles or "holiday specials." Guests can better control their

drinking when they are drinking amounts with which they are familiar.

•Do not serve alcohol to an intoxicated guest. Offer him or her a non-alcoholic drink, but remember that nothing can "sober up" a person immediately. It takes the human body approximately two hours to metabolize each ounce of alcohol; coffee or a cold shower can only create a wide-awake drunk instead of a sleeping one.

•Choose fruit juices instead of carbonated mixers. Carbonation speeds alcohol absorption.

•Be sure that drinking does not become the primary focus or activity of your party.

•Stop serving alcohol at least one hour before the party ends.

TIPS FOR GUESTS:
•Do not drink if any of the following is true: you are pregnant or trying to conceive, you are using medicine of any kind, you have had difficulty keeping your drinking moderate in the past.

•Feel free to refuse alcohol for any other reason, regardless of pressure or encouragement to drink.

•Do not drink if you are a child or adolescent. For anyone under 21, alcohol poses a number of

serious health risks. In addition, it is for this age group an illegal drug.

•If you drive, do not drink; if you drink, do not drive. There is no safe level of alcohol for drivers because everyone reacts differently to alcohol on different occasions. If you are going out with others, decide beforehand who will drive on the return trip. Do not ride with drivers who have been drinking.

•Eat before and during occasions when you are drinking.

•If you are a woman, remember that alcohol will have a greater effect on you than it will on a man of your same weight.

Parties and social gatherings shouldn't be held just to consume alcohol. An attractive selection on non-alcoholic beverages should be available for guests. About one-third of all adults in the United States abstain from drinking alcohol completely for many reasons, and their decision should be respected by family, friends and hosts.

The following recipes for non-alcoholic drinks for the holiday season are sure to add spice and variety to your parties.

Southern Style Eggnog

4 eggs, separated
1/2 cup sugar
1/4 tsp. salt
3 cups milk
1 cup whipping cream
2 tsp. vanilla extract
Nutmeg
Whipped cream to garnish
While beating egg yolks, gradually add 1/4 cup sugar and salt. Stir in milk and cream gradually. Cook mixture over hot water or over low heat, stirring constantly, until it thickens and coats a metal spoon. Cool. Add vanilla extract

and chill thoroughly. Beat egg whites until soft peaks form; gradually add remaining 1/4 cup sugar. Beat the refrigerated mixture until smooth and frothy. Fold in beaten egg whites. Sprinkle with nutmeg and garnish with whipped cream. Makes two quarts.

Sparkling Punch

1 cup unsweetened pineapple juice
1 cup orange juice
juice of 2 lemons
juice of 2 limes
11 oz. sparkling water
Mix all ingredients in a pitcher. Pour over ice cubes made of sparkling water. Makes 4 servings.

Banana Delight

2 cups milk
1 ripe banana, sliced
1/4 tsp. nutmeg
1/8 tsp. almond extract
Place all ingredients in blender. Mix at high speed until mixture is smooth (about 30 seconds). Makes 4 servings.

Red Chill

2 jiggers tomato juice
1/2 jigger lemon juice
Dash of Worcestershire sauce
Dash of Tabasco sauce
Blend ingredients and serve over ice. Salt and pepper to taste. Makes 1 serving.

Pink Mist

5 oz. grapefruit juice
1 oz. grenadine
2 oz. pina coloda mix
Splash of seltzer
Blend ingredients and serve over ice. Garnish with pineapple and cherry. Makes 1 serving.

Frosty Mocha

1/2 gal. chocolate ice cream, softened
8 cups coffee, chilled
1 pint half-and-half
1 tsp. almond extract
1/8 tsp. salt
1 square semi-sweet chocolate, grated
1/4 tsp. ground cinnamon
With mixer at low speed, beat ice cream and 3 cups coffee until smooth. In chilled 5-6 qt. punch

bowl, stir ice cream mixture, half-and-half, almond extract, salt and 5 cups of coffee until blended. Sprinkle top of punch with grated chocolate and cinnamon. Makes 16 8 oz. servings.

Mistletoe Punch

1 6 oz. can frozen lemonade concentrate, thawed
1 6 oz. can frozen orange juice concentrate, thawed
6 cups water
1/2 cup grenadine syrup
1 qt. ginger ale, chilled
Combine all the ingredients, except last two, in a punch bowl. Just before serving, add some ice cubes and gently stir in the ginger ale. Garnish with lemon slice and maraschino cherry. Makes 30 punch cup servings.

Wassail Bowl

Whole cloves
1 large orange
2 qts. apple juice or cider
3 T. lemon juice
4 cinnamon sticks
Heat over to 350 degrees F. Insert cloves, about 1/2 inch apart, into orange. Place orange in baking pan and bake for 30 minutes. Pierce orange several times with fork. In large saucepan, combine apple juice, lemon juice,

cinnamon sticks and orange. Cover. Simmer over low heat for 30 minutes. Remove cinnamon sticks and orange. Pour into heat-proof punch bowl. If desired, float clove-studded orange in punch bowl. Serve hot. Makes 16 4 oz. servings.

Let children help with holiday baking

Pitching in and helping with the holiday baking makes most children feel like they are part of the festivities, say a nutritionist at the USDA's Children's Nutrition Research Center.

"Cooking together is a great parent/child activity, and with a bit of organization, even the littles baker can participate", said Corinne Montandon, an assistant professor of pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine.

Before children arrive, assemble all the ingredients and implements you will need.

"It is important to set realistic limits and assign age-appropriate tasks", Montandon said.

Children ages 9 to 12 can prepare easy-to-follow recipes, roll out dough for cookies or pie crust, chop fruits for muffins, and grate vegetables for quick breads.

Children ages 5 to 8 can wash fruits and vegetables, stir ingredients and cut out cookies with

a cookie cutter. Toddlers can pour ingredients into a bowl. Of course, everyone can help decorate cookies.

Montandon reminds parents to make sure children wash their hands before and after every step in the food preparation process.

She also notes that most young children have short attention spans. When a recipe yields dozens of cookies or muffins, use only half and chill the rest of the dough until later.

Montandon suggests using the kitchen table as a cookie decorating center. Make sure each child has easy access to small cups filled with colored icings, raisins, pieces of maraschino cherries or dried fruits, sprinkles, miniature marshmallows and other decorative goodies.

To cut down on the mess, place a small plastic tablecloth under the chair where a child is working.

But, keep in mind, that the kitchen cleanup can be part of the "fun".

Children can help wash dishes, wipe off cabinet tops and sweep the floor. Montandon believes it is important for children to experience all the steps involved in cooking.

"Food is a special part of the holidays, whether you intend to trim the tree with gingerbread men, provide treats for your child's holiday party at school, or fill the cookie jar at home," she said.

Just remember, the final product might not be a culinary masterpiece, but it will sweeten holiday memories.

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VA Home Page contains information found in VA's "Federal Benefits for Veterans and Dependents" pamphlet; a departmental organization manual; a listing of and addresses for all VA facilities; medical automation programs; and legislation and Congressional testimony pertinent to VA. VA Home Page is part of White House Home Page -- the first interactive, multimedia, electronic citizens' handbook, created to make government information more readily accessible to citizens across the country.

This White House initiative provides a single point of access to all electronic government information on the Internet, a vast computer network used by people in more than 150 countries. Using free software such as Mosaic, which is distributed by the National Center for Supercomputing Applications, a person can access information through a multimedia interface which includes photographs, sound, video and "hotlinks" is the text that take the user to related areas of interest.

The VA Home Page electronic address is: "http://www.va.gov/".

Indians named to 7-2A All-District Team

Haskell Indians named to the All District 7-2A first team offense were Brandon McFadden, Sr. OL; Wesley Alsabrook, Sr., TE; Chris Silvas, Sr., FB; Justin Lisle, Jr., and Casey Larned, Sr., RB; Cody Cypert, Sr., K.

Defensive first team members include Martin Limones, Jr., DL; Ryan Olson, Sr., and Jamie Hodglin, Jr., LB; Casey Larned, Sr., DB; and Cody Cypert, Sr., P. Named to the second team offense were Stacey Walker, Jr., and

John Isbell, Jr., OL; and Jamie Hodglin, Jr., C. Second team defensive members were Robert Ortiz, Jr., DL; Bucky Harvey, Sr., DE; Frankie Masias, Jr., and Keiland Riley, Sr., DB. The Fighting Heart Award went

to Indian Cory Green, Jr. Other All District 7-2A picks were: First team offense: OL Benji Williams, Sr., Hamlin; Dwayne Hunter, Sr., Hamlin; Joe Lozano Sr., Anson; Hondo Henderson. Sr.

Stamford.
C: Derek Moore, Sr., Hamlin.
TE: Don Clawson, Jr., Hamlin.
WR: Alex Lozano, Sr., Anson; James Clawson, Jr., Hamlin; David Nowlin, Sr., Rotan and Tim Lanphere, Sr., Hawley.
FB: Jeremy Thompson, Soph., Hamlin.
RB: David Bell, Sr., Hamlin; John Sanchez, Soph., Stamford.
QB: Eric Brown, Sr., Hamlin.
K: Derek Moore, Sr., Hamlin.
First Team Defense: DL: Benji Williams, Sr., Hamlin; Chris Irwin, Sr., Anson; Dwayne Hunter, Sr., Hamlin.
DE: Brian Weaver, Sr., Hamlin; Jeremy Mueller, Sr., Stamford.
LB: Kyle Wilburn, Jr., Anson, Ricky Ramos, Jr., Stamford; Cory Brazee, Sr., Hawley.
DB: James Clawson, Jr., Hamlin; Kevin Tate Sr., Anson;

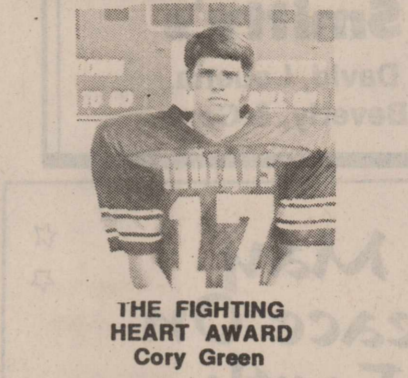
Justin Reed, Sr., Stamford.
Second team offense: OL: Jeremy Adams, Sr., Hawley, Danny Jimenez, Jr., Anson, Scott Brown, Sr., Hamlin.
C: Chris Irwin, Sr., Anson.
TE: Rocky Coates, Soph., Stamford, Kenneth Hooper, Soph., Hamlin.
WR: Kevin Cobb, Sr., Stamford; Scott Latham, Sr., Hamlin.
FB: Kyle Wilburn, Jr., Anson.
RB: Bruce Cooper, Sr., Hamlin; Donald Williams, Jr., Anson.
QB: Temple Daniel, Sr., Rotan; Eric Strand, Jr., Stamford.
Second team defense: DL: Jay Carrion, Sr., Rotan; Chance Pritchard, Jr., Stamford; Chris Smith, Jr., Hamlin; Jeremy Adams, Sr., Hawley.
DE: Saba Moreno, Jr., Anson.
LB: Sean Bolden, Sr., Hamlin; Scott Brown, Sr., Hamlin; Joe Lozano, Sr., Anson; John Heathington, Sr., Hawley; Chris Gaspar, Sr., Rotan.
DB: Andy Davis, Sr., Hamlin; Alex Lozano, Sr., Anson.
Fighting Heart Awards: Max Villanueva, Sr., Stamford; Aaron Pritchard, Sr., Stamford; Zack Burns, Jr., Rotan; Will Womack, Sr., Hawley; Scott Brown, Sr., Hamlin; Jeff Martinez, Sr., Anson.



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L to R: Robert Howard, Carolyn Everett, Randy Hise, Andy Gannaway

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Love,
Kira
P.S. Pongo would like a bone and toy to chew.

Dear Santa,
I want a T.V. and my size Bride Barbie and a V.C.R. and a telephone and a cabbage patch doll but not a crimp and curl and a bell off of Dancer.
Love,
Jaclyn Drinnon
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Open House

Librarian Betsy McManamon, left, is sharing a library book with kindergarten student Malinda Brueggeman and her mother Nancy during Haskell Elementary School's open house last Thursday.

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,
I have been a pretty good girl this year. I would like to have a swimming pool, basketball, teddy bear and a real rabbit. Also, I would like for my niece and nephews Nikki, Brian, and Chase to get some toys. For Nikki a guitar, Chase a play radio, Brian a football, my sister, Teresa, a new microwave.

I will leave you a snack on the deep freeze. Rudolph, we will leave you a carrot.

Please bring my mom a new coffee pot and my dad a new pickup.

I hope every boy and girl gets a gift and has a very Merry Christmas.

Love,
Crystal Campbell
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Dear Santa,
I love you. I want a talking Simba.
Love,
Saphron

Dear Saint Nick!
I want a new bike! A lot of money so we can move in a house with a yard! I wish everybody a merry Christmas!! Oh, and Clause, oh, and a upstairs on our house! And the Barbie doll that rides the horse!

Love,
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Justice of the Peace
Pd. Political Adv. Pd. for by Gina Brown

Wishing You A Delightful Season

Here's hoping the holidays bring a special magic to you and yours. Thanks so much for helping us build our business this year!

Steele Machine
Hwy. 380 E • Haskell • 864-2208

JOY To all our Great Patrons

We would like to thank you and wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

From all of us at
Haskell Butane
817-864-2424 • Stamford Hwy • 817-864-3915

CELEBRATE THE SEASON WITH CHEER!
Many thanks for making our year.

Rodela Plumbing
864-2460 • Haskell

CATCH THE SPIRIT!
All aboard for some holiday cheer,
Rolling on ahead into high gear,
Get yourself ready, get yourself set,
To celebrate your best Christmas yet!

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864-8919 • Haskell
We will close early Christmas Eve.

WITH WARM REGARDS

As snow and frost blanket the land, we're warmed by thoughts of the many fine people we have had the pleasure to serve in the past year.
Merry Christmas and God bless you.

from the employees & directors of

Stamford Electric Cooperative
225 W. McHarg • 915-773-3684 • Stamford

**LET IT SNOW...!
LET IT SNOW...!
LET IT SNOW...!**

Hope you receive a blizzard of happiness and a pile-up of good cheer this holiday season.

Merry Christmas
from
"The New Group"

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the season
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of love and brotherhood
in our hearts and to greet
one another in peace!

Our sincere appreciation to
all our Customers and Friends.

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Haskell, Texas 864-2956

Season's Greetings

HI!

Warmest thoughts and best wishes for a wonderful holiday and a very Happy New Year!

Carolyn Reynolds
District Clerk

Pd. Political ad. Pd. for by Carolyn Reynolds

home sweet home

Here's hoping your home is filled with sweet tidings, tasteful festivities and delicious memories this holiday season.

It was really a pleasure serving you.
Thanks for making our year a piece of cake!

The Sweet Shop
and Employees
864-2711

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

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

Nanny Plumbing Inc.
301 S. Ave. E • Haskell • 864-3043

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

We're glad to be celebrating with good friends and neighbors like you. Many thanks for your valued business.

Hanson Paint & Body Shop
207 S. First • Haskell • 864-3631

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
My name is Zachary, I am 2 1/2 years old. I think I have been pretty good this year, so I hope you will bring me my Christmas wish this year. I really want a bicycle and a train. My bubba, Bryson, wants a Tractor, daddy wants a truck and mommy wants peace and quiet. Please bring my Uncle Justin something too. Don't forget I'll be at Grandpa's house. I'll leave you a piece of pie and a Pepsi.

Love,
Zachary Trussell
age 2 1/2

Dear Santa,
I am 11, and I guess I've been pretty nice this year, anyway I have a few things I want for Christmas, like: a telephone, V.C.R, a flip chair, clothes, movies and tapes, a scratch off card that holds about 200 dollars or more in it, and I want it to snow. By the way my sister Andrea and I will leave out some milk and cookies for you.

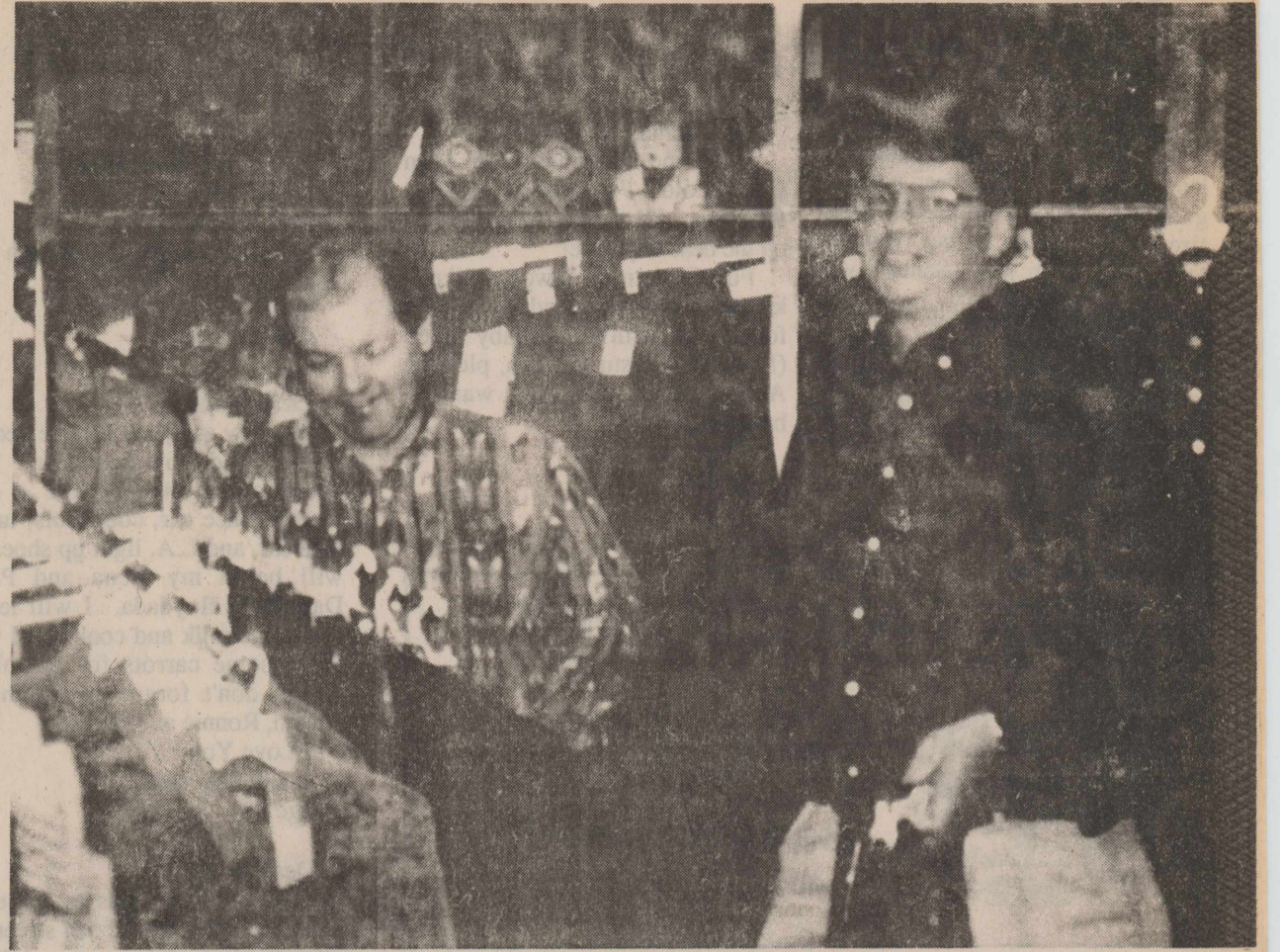
Love,
Tabitha Dawn Coker
Haskell, Tx

P.S. My sister Andrea has been really nice this year so she needs some toys. But don't bring her more than me, ok!

Dear Santa,
I am 3 years old and I've been good, I guess. Anyway heres a few things I would like for Christmas: a real Microwave, a baby doll, barbies, barbie car for me to drive, and one for my barbies, I also need a play house like Paige Adams. This Christmas I would really like for it to snow. Remember, and don't forget my cousins Taylor, and Kody if he ever gets here. Because they live in Medford, Oklahoma.

Love,
Andrea M'Lynn Anderson
1107 North I
Haskell, Tx

P.S. My sister has been very good to me. Bring her somethings. Her name is Tabitha!



Western Christmas

Rick Phemister of Heads or Tails Western Wear is helping Ron McCandless with his Christmas shopping list.

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa:
My name is Carson Hadaway and I am 3 months old. I don't have any brothers or sisters -- it is just me and my parents. This is my first Christmas and I am very excited. Mommy says that I am a Christmas present I just came early.

For Christmas I don't want very much. I do want a Fisher Price Activity Gym and a Fisher Price Activity Center. It would be really nice to get some money to put in my savings account for when I go to college. I know that college is 18 years away but Daddy says we need to start saving now.

For all my family I want a very Merry Christmas. Please send my boyfriend Judson Kinzy whatever he

wants for Christmas, too. For everyone I wish peace on Earth.

Carson Hadaway

Dear Santa,
Hi! How are you and Mrs. Claus? Thank you for my presents last year. I have been a very good girl this year and so has my little sister, Ashley.

Please bring me a Jenny Gymnast, Easy Bake oven, a doll stroller and anything else you think I would like.

Don't forget all my cousins and Ashley. She's writing a letter to you, too.

Love,
Chelsea Bullard

Dear Santa,
Hi! This year I really know who you are! I've seen you on T.V. lots of times. I've been a good little girl this year. So has Chelsea.

I would like a Newborn Nancy, a doll stroller, a tricycle and anything else that your elves make for me.

Please don't forget Chelsea, Kris, Paula, Casey, Kristy, and my cousins that live in other towns.

Have a safe trip!
Merry Christmas!
Love, Ashley Bullard

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Brennan Medford. I have been a very good boy this year. Please bring me a Little Smokin' Grill, a loader, and a blue saw that make sparks. Could you please take some toys to Meme's house to play with when I'm there? A tractor would be good. Bring my Daddy some shoes, and my Mommy a watch. Please remember all my friends, especially Katie, Levi, and Kenna.

Love, Brennan

P.S. I will leave you some apple juice and Sharks fruit snacks.

Dear Santa,
I'm 3 1/2 yrs. old would you please bring me a sword, a pair of yellow power ranger houseshoes, an easel, a football and helmet, and a baseball and bat. Please bring Trey, Amber, and A.J. (my big brothers and big sister) a really nice gift. Also if you could bring my cat, Miss Bianca, something.

Love,
Richie Rogers

Dear Santa,
My name is Savannah D. Stephens. I am 2 years old, I've been a very good girl. For Christmas I want a Mr. Bucket, a doll, a piano, a bear. My sister Adria wants some stuff too. Be sure you tell my Dad what my mom wants or he will be in trouble if he doesn't get it for her.

Thank you,
Savannah

Dear Santa,
I'm almost 6 yrs. old and would like you to bring me these things: a pair of red power ranger houseshoes, a McDonald's snack maker, a gross Food maker, a skate board, an easel, a slippery slide for next summer, some sidewalk chalk, a computer for kids and a wireless remote control car. Please bring my brothers and sister (Trey, Richie and Amber) something nice too. I'll leave some cookies and milk out for you.

Love,
A.J. Rogers

Dear Santa,
I have been good, so has my sister. Please bring us many surprises! We live in Abilene.

Love,
Sara and Staci

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

May your holiday season greet you with plenty of good friends and good cheer. Our deepest thanks to you for making our year a ringing success!

Haskell Co-op Gin

Leon Jones, Mgr.

All the Best to You On Christmas

Here's hoping your holiday is stuffed with the gifts of family, friends and good fortune. We appreciate all you've given us throughout the year and look forward to continuing to serve you in the future.

Happy Holiday and many thanks.

Rule Co-Op Gin and Elevator

John Pike, Manager
301 Adams Avenue
997-2421 • Rule

WE'RE MAKING A LIST...

We'd like to thank each of you personally, but we've made too many good friends in the past year to find the space to list them here.

So to all of you, our very best wishes go -- for a very Merry Christmas and a ho...ho...ho!

Double A Drive In
1103 North 1st • Haskell
864-2466

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,
Hi, how are you? My name is Ronnie Lynch. I have been a pretty good boy. Santa I would like a big fire truck, some Power Ranger toys, and motorcycle. Santa I will be at my dads in Ark. Please don't forget my brother Justin. He's been good too. Santa I will leave you some milk and cookies on the bar. Be careful, tell Rudolph Hi for me.
Love,
Ronnie
age 3

Dear Santa,
My name is Ashlee Short, I am 2 years old. I've tried to be good this year. I'll try not to hit Bubba on the head anymore!
For Christmas I would like a kitchen like JuJu's and some play food to go with it. A baby kitten (Mom says a stuffed one, please!) And anything else you want to bring, okay!
Luv's you,
Ashlee

Dear Santa,
Here is my Santa list:
Telescope
Fire station
Stuffed horse and a saddle in my stocking.
Love,
Cameron Short

Dear Santa,
Hi, how are you? I have been a pretty good boy this year. For Christmas I would like a six wheeler race car, cool tools, turbo race car, and L.A. light up shoes. I will be at my Nena and PaPa Daniels in floydada. I will leave you some milk and cookies. I will leave some carrots for Rudolph. Please don't forget my brothers, Austin, Ronnie and Heath.
I Love You,
Justin Schoepf
age 6

Dear Santa,
I want Santa Claus to come to my house at 1004 SE 5th street. I want Santa to bring me a doll, a dog, two Barbie dolls, and a suit of size 8 clothes.
Krystal Wilson
age: 6

Dear Santa,
I live at 1004 SE 5th Street. I want Santa to bring me a Train, some candy, a police car, and a suit of 4T clothes.
Daren Wilson
Age: 2

Dear Santa-
My name is David Gordy. I live in Odessa but I'm going to be at my Grandma Yvonne's and Granny's house for Christmas vacation. Please bring me a remote control car, another car, a new fishing pole and a few surprises. Bring Gabrielle a few cars, Jenny a Dallas Cowboy sweater and Mary a new sweater. And my cousin, Michael, a remote control car.
My new baby brother is going to be born for Christmas Day so bring him those little keys to play with.
Love,
David



Annual visitor

Students at the Discovery World Child Center were surprised Friday with a visit of the jolly old elf from the North Pole.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

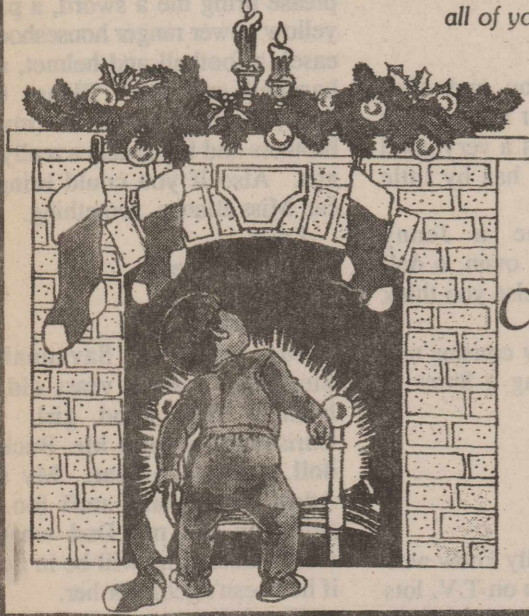


May joy, prosperity, peace and goodwill visit your home this holiday season.

Bassing Jewelry
404 N. First • Haskell

Santa will soon drop in!

The stockings have been hung and you're ready for the festivities to begin. But before everyone gets too wrapped up in the countdown to Christmas, we want to thank all of you for your friendship and patronage.
Happy Holidays!



Country Daizie
409 S. 1st
864-3781
Haskell

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old and in Kindergarten now. I am in Mrs. Irby's class. She is very nice. I have tried to be a good girl. I would like a Baby Alive, Baby Bed, Fisher Price fold-up doll house, Doll clothes, Baby food, wind soule, clothes for Mama, Barbie doll for Jenny, Motorcycle for Leon.

Thank you!
Sincerely,
Brittany J.
P.S. We have moved to a different house, too. (Hope you know were I live.)

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a pink bike with training wheels, a play doll, and a teddy bear.
Love,
Malinda Brueggeman

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Michael Gordy and I'm 5 years old and I've been good. I want a tapico thing, a mote control race car set and a Power Ranger robot.

Josh doesn't get anything cause he's mean to me.
I'm going to leave you some stuff to eat.
Love you,
Michael Joseph Gordy

Dear Santa,
I have been a good guy this year. Please bring me a remote control "Big Wheels", a Power Ranger, some new games, and some new videos. Thank you for last years gifts.
Sincerely,
Richard Belyeu

Dear Santa:
My name is Kayla Peters. I live in Haskell, Texas. I am 3 years old. I have been a good girl this year and would like for you to bring me the following things for Christmas.

A Barbee jeep
A Barbee doll with it. One that sits in the back seat of the jeep.
A baby doll bicycle.
Clothes
New shoes
Your friend,
Kayla
P.S. Please bring mom, antie and James some things. I will leave you milk and cookies Christmas Eve.

Dear Santa,
I am 23 1/2 months old. I will be a two on Christmas Eve. For my 2nd Christmas I want semi trucks and clothes and some movies to watch. I would like some things of the lion King. Mommy would like some clothes and anything you want to bring her. And for my daddy I really don't know. But I guess you could just take him a little something. Please don't forget Grandpa and Ma Villa and Grandma Harris, all my aunts, uncles, and cousins, and friends. I will leave you some chips and coke.

I love you,
Austin Green

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a big baby I can hold on my hip like Maw Maws, and a pink bike with training wheels and a Jumpsie baby doll.
I love you Santa,
Kristy Judd
Age 3

Dear Santa,
All I want is a jeep. You already have my FiFi and green rag. I have been good all year! Don't be scared of the dog; He just likes to bark.
Love,
Chase Phillips

Dear Santa,
My name is J.D. Harris and I am 8 years old and a 3rd grader at Hamlin school.
I will be with my Dad this Christmas in Haskell. I have been a good boy and made good grades.
I would like a new bike, some new clothes, a Emmitt Smith Dallas Cowboy jersey.
I will leave you some cookies and milk.
My little brother Ryder has been real good too and I think he wants a jeep. So don't forget him and my Aunt Dee. She coaches in Merkel but will be at Me-Me's for Christmas. Bring my dad a new hat.
Merry Christmas. I'll be at Me-Me and Grandad Harris' in Haskell.
Love you,
J.D. Harris

Deer Santa,
I would like a bbq set and a cobera snake car and a monster struck and I Love You
Casey Judd
P.S. I hope Your reindeer are doing good to.

JOY TO THE WORLD



To all our friends, near and far, we offer our thanks and best wishes.
Lanco Insurance
510 N. 1st • Haskell
864-2629



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Thanks, friends!

Larned Sales Center
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Merry Christmas from The Larned Family

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Joe & Sarah Cortez
Mrs. Bynum
Mrs. Moore
Mrs. Middleton



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All aboard! Load up with cheer! Christmastime is almost here. To all our good patrons, we know it's a fact. That with your kind help we've stayed right on track. So without any further delay, We'll say "thanks for your business -- Have a great holiday!"

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Your FRIENDLY
SUPERMARKET

Haskell, Texas



Letters to Santa

10 Years Ago
December 1984

Dear Santa,
How are things coming along with your elves and the toys? All the kids in Haskell, Texas are getting ready for you to come. We are putting up our Christmas trees and stockings. We hope you will have something good for all the boys and girls. I am trying to be good. I will leave something good for you and your reindeer to eat and drink. Would you please bring me these things? Basketball zasson Atari cartridge, Chopper Command Atari cartridge, Dimensional Binoculars, G.I. Joe Cobra plane.
Thank you.
Love,
Casey Lamed
P.S. Please bring my brother something, too.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I would like you to bring me a:
1. Computer and games.
2. Cabbage Patch doll and clothes.
3. New Born Flower Kid.
4. Snugglebumm.
5. A Glowbug or glowbaby.
6. A Rainbow brite doll.
Love,
Amy Lynnette Cunningham
P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk.

Dear Santa,
I want a Kim and Ken and bike and Bear and Car and pick up and lots of money and a home and a suit and a pair of roller skates.
Love,
Bobby Cothron
I Love Santa

Dear Santa,
My name is Jennifer Comedy. I'm seven yrs. old.
I want a bike and a Cabbage Patch bedspread.
Please bring us a birthday cake for Jesus.
Love,
Jennifer Comedy

20 Years Ago
December 1974

Dear Santa,
I would like a TTP, Plase. I would like a BB Gun, Plase. Would like some pants, Plase. I would like a Big Jim, Plase.
Love,
Shane Hadaway

Dear Santa,
I am three years old and have been trying to be good. I would like a pickup and trailer with horses and cows. I would also like a dump truck.
Please don't forget my baby brother, Michael. He is only four months old. He would like a walker and a stuffed animal.
Merry Christmas, Santa.
Love,
Wayne Hester
Weinert

Dear Santa,
I want a bollet girl doll and a baby alive doll.
Your fiend,
Sheila Swinney

Dear Santa,
I want a trampoline and Kathy quick curl.
Bette Villarreal

30 Years Ago
December 1964

Dear Santa,
I would like for you to try to get these things for me and I have tried to be very good and I might have not been good every day but I have tried to be nice. I would like you to bring me a Pat-a-burp and a buffet and TV and if you think I have been very, very good.
Sign, Deb Mickler,
R.R. 2, Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Linda. I am 7 years old and in the first grade. For Christmas I want a talking Tiger and an etch-a-sketch. Bring my brother, Kenneth, a Timex wrist watch and a football. We have been very good this year.
Love always,
Linda Hilliard

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a B-B pistol, a Va-room hotroder engine and a gun set. I have helped my mother and daddy. My daddy wants a shirt and my sister wants a Chatty Katy.
Your friend,
Robbie Peiser, R.R. 2,
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,
My name is Terry Brueggeman. I am 6 years old. I have been as good as I could be, so would you please send me a vr-oom for my bicycle, a B-B gun and some B-B's. Please don't forget all the other boys and girls.
Yours truly,
Terry Brueggeman

40 Years Ago
December 1954

Dear Santa,
I would like a white Bible with my name on it. My little sister, Paula, would like a walking doll. Eddie, my little brother, would like a gun, truck, football and a hammer. We would like for you to leave us a 3-D viewmaster and a drum, some candy, fruit and nuts.
Your friend
Elaine Elmore

Dear Santa,
I've tried to be a good girl and have done my school work pretty well. So for Christmas you bring me a Toni Doll, a magic writing board and chalk. Please remember all other little children.
Zona Carroll Bassing

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy almost 3 years old. I would like for you to bring me a tractor that I can ride, a dump truck and a top that spins and sings. Please bring me some fruit and candy too. Santa don't forget all the other little boys and girls and bring them something also.
Your little friend,
W.O. Elmore

Dear Santa Clause:
Please bring me a electric football set, a basket ball, and some candy, nuts and fruit. And don't forget the other little boys and girls. I have two brothers and a sister. Please bring them something, too. Love,
Charles Gibson

50 Years Ago
December 1944

Dear Santa:
I have been a nice boy this year and would like for you to come see me. I would like for you to bring me a desk and a chair, blackboard with chalk and a set of soft lead pencils. I have a little sister that would like a big doll, table with chairs and a set a dishes.
Your little friend,
David Ross Frierson

Dear Santa Clause:
I am a little boy nearly three years old. Mommie says I have been good, so I'll tell you what I'd like you to bring me Christmas. Most of all I'd like for you to bring me a little red tractor and trailer just like my Daddy's. Also I'd like very much to have a baby doll that sleeps and says "mam-ma" and "papa" and a football, nuts, candy. Please don't forget all the other little boys and girls.
Your little friend,
David Melvin Miller

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl two years old. I have tried to be a good little girl this past year. I would like for you to bring me a big doll that cries and a doll cart for it and anything else, and fruits, nuts and candy. Don't forget my Daddy Pfc. Melvin Jacobs at Camp Swift, Texas and all the other soldiers and little boys and girls.
Bye, Santa,
Your little friend,
Elsie Rowena Jacobs

Dear Santa Claus:
We are the little Hester girls and are 6 and 4 years old. We would like to have our things alike if you can find them. First we would like to have some pretty dolls with wardrobe trunks with some clothes in them and irons that really iron, and ironing boards. We would also like some chairs for our table and dishes and a knife and fork set. Anything else you want to bring us will be all right. We hope all the other little boys and girls get what they want, too.
Bettye and Janice Hester

Art Club enjoys holiday meeting

The December meeting of Brazos West Art Club was a heart-warming occasion.

Members came laden with mouth-watering delectables and gaily wrapped packages.

Gladys O'Neal hosted the holiday event in her beautifully decorated home.

Randy McLelland came, guitar in hand, and entertained the group

with many Christmas songs. We enjoyed the new, the old, a sing-along, and special requests he graciously provided.

After our meal and songs, members exchanged their hand-made gifts.

A short business meeting followed.

As the fun night ended, we adjourned to our respective homes with a song in our hearts.

Holiday Greetings and best wishes for a Merry Christmas!

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Jesse Guadalcazar



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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

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Happy Holidays

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Haskell

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800-687-0749

Season's Greetings

WITH OUR THANKS, AT CHRISTMASTIME

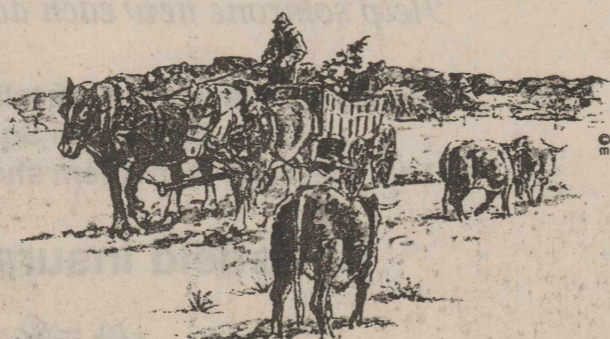
Of all the places in the land, we're glad we've settled here. Thank you for helping us to have a truly fruitful year.

Haskell Livestock Auction

Hwy 277 S. of Haskell

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from all of us at

Haskell Tire & Appliance Center

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Lavon Beakley, Kenneth Campbell, Chester Lamb, JoAnn Carroll, Jimmie Darden, Larry Bailiff, Danny Payne, Joe Camacho

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Spencer and I am 4 years old. For Christmas would you bring me some Fish and Tadpoles? (Mommy said maybe to the Fish but no to the Tadpoles.) I want a Power Ranger Game, a Ready Set, Go-Car, a Big Loader, a Truck and a Robot. Also I'd like for my Granny to win the Lottery for Christmas.
Thank you,
Spencer Malaise

Dear Santa
My name is McKenzie Barrington (otherwise known as Mamaw's baby, Nonnie's pumpkin, and Stacey's stinker). I am 3 years old

For Christmas please bring me Baby check up, talk Smart Street, and a Fox and the Hound tape (video). Also please bring me the Barney live tape.
Please remember my cousins in Throckmorton and bring them goodies too.
Love, Tennie

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I would like a big water gun and a dancing Barbie and Ken. I need a new bicycle and I'd like some games and some new movies to watch too.
I'll leave you some cookies and milk like I promised.
I hope you have a safe trip.
I love you alot,
Candace Brister



Last minute shopping
Doris McDougal shows shopper Mischelle Howard, front, the many decorated baskets available at Merle Norman.

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
Do you still like Rudolf?, & how are the elves doing? I've been pretty good this year, and most of the time so has my brother and sister. I help my Mommy when I can I Love my Mommy & Daddy and sister and brother and doggie and my calves.

Santa, I would like a doll house, and a tattoo, and windsuits for my sister & I. My brother would like a Dallass Cowboy Jacket. And my dog Sadie would like a bone. If mom has been good enough you might bring her some earrings. Don't forget our stockings.

Santa we'll leave you milk & cookies on the table & a carrot for Rudolf. Thank you for the watch you gave me today and thank you

for the presents. I Love You Maggie
P.S. I like Rudolf & his red nose. I think he's cute.

Dear Santa,
My name is Chambray. I am six years old, and I am in kindergarten. For Christmas I want a Dr. Dreadful, Baby Tattoo, Go-Go Worms, Sloberin' Sam, A Glow In the Dark Tent, Cowgirl Barbie, Gymnastic Baby, and the Lion King movie. Please get daddy cologne, get mama earrings, get Brittany a book, get Cannon a little football, get Shana a t-shirt, get Kako a hot tea glass, and get Paw-paw a fishing pole. Santa, thank you, I love you!

Love,
Chambray Paige Bartley
P.S. I will leave chocolate chip cookies and milk on the table.

MEMBER 1994
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*O holy
Night*

May the Star of Bethlehem inspire all men's hearts!



We hope the message of love and the true spirit of the season makes its way into each heart in every land.
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May the timeless spirit of Christmas warm your hearts this season and always.

JOYOUS NOEL

Rice Springs Care Home
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Computer training course offered

Haskell County Extension Office will sponsor a computer training course "Introduction to Quicken 7" on January 11. The course will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 4:00 p.m. The registration fee is \$40.00 per computer (husbands and wives may share one computer). Due to limited computer space, persons interested in this course are required to pre-register at the Haskell County Extension Office by January 4.

Quicken 7 is an inexpensive, easy to use record keeping program that is widely used by agricultural producers. Participants will use a case study to learn to use Quicken 7 in a hands-on setting. Participants will enter transactions in the register and write check screens. They will learn to categorize by type of income and expense, to split and memorize transactions, and to develop meaningful reports. No prior computer experience is necessary.

Persons interested in participating in this computer training should come by the

County Extension Office at 101 S. Ave. D in Haskell, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon or 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. and complete the required pre-registration form before January 4th.

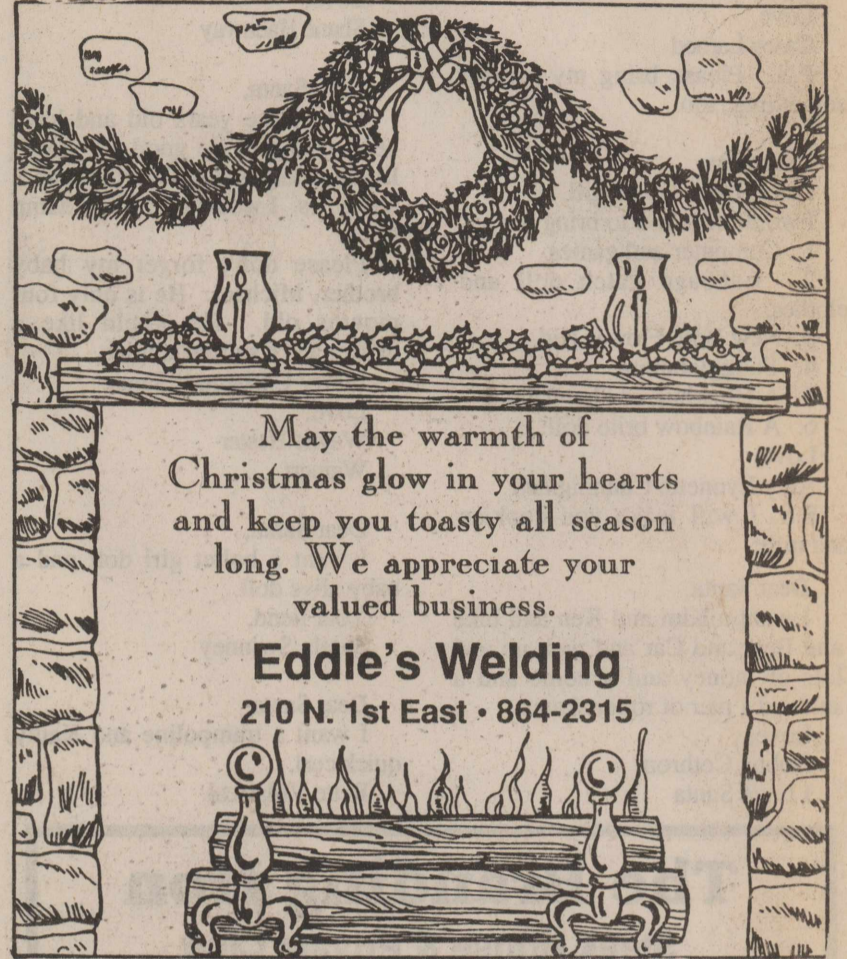
For more information you can call Max Stapleton, CEA-Ag. (817) 864-2658 or Lou Gilly, CEA-FCA (817) 864-2546. All educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.

Parrack graduates

Forty-eight students in the School of Nursing received degrees during fall commencement exercises at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Dec. 17.

Degree recipients included Teresa Faye Parrack, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Unger, 201 N. Ave. L. Haskell.

Parrack received a bachelor of science degree in nursing.



It's That Time Of Year



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Copeland, Klose repeat vows

Jennifer Lyn Copeland and Steven Loyd Klose were united in marriage at 7:00 o'clock in the evening August 6 at Memorial Baptist Church in Baytown with Reverend Steve James officiating during the double ring candlelight ceremony.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Copeland of Baytown. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence A. Milner of Baytown, Mr. and Mrs. Willie McGill of Kilgore, and the late Joseph L. Copeland. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Foreman of Alvarado and Mr. and Mrs. H.W. Hankins of Mineola.

Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Don Klose of Haskell. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Felix Klose of Haskell, Mrs. Irene Cooper of Cisco and the late Ben Cooper.

Given in marriage by her parents and escorted by her father, the bride selected a sophisticated sheath gown of Italian white satin. The bodice

Texas grapefruit makes great holiday gift

Ho, Ho, Ho. Winter is the time for snow and sniffles, Christmas trees and trimmings, and great gifts with Texas Red Grapefruit.

With citrus fruit consumption at a 10-year high, more and more consumers are proving to love the taste-appeal of the Texas Red Grapefruit. Consumers are finding out about the "taste that won't bite back" - Texas Red Grapefruit. With its sweet flavor and bright bold color, Texas Red Grapefruit is proving to be the fruit-of-choice for gift baskets during the holiday season.

Although many supermarkets make their own fruit baskets with Texas citrus for ready-to-sell gift baskets, consumers are finding they can purchase grapefruit and oranges by the carton at their local supermarket. With only a few items available from craft stores, you can make your own personalized gift baskets!

To make your own holiday fruit basket, start with a container; many people love straw baskets, but hat boxes, gift bags, decorative boxes, even a crystal bowl can make a beautiful container for your gift. If you prefer to wrap with cellophane, cut the wrap six-times the length of the container. First, place the wrap under your container. Next, fill your container with Easter grass or a soft shred, then fill your container pyramid-style with sweet, juicy Texas Red Grapefruit or sweet juicy oranges.

Now select special items to add a personal touch to your gift. Items such as a taped message, video, a favorite recipe, cookies, teas and coffees - even a photograph makes your basket a memorable one. Finally, gather the cellophane up around the basket and tie with a big red bow.

dinner ring given to her by her grandmother, Katherine Milner. For "something new" the bride wore a Texas Aggie garter.

Attending the bride as maid of honor was Cristen Wikert of Lake Jackson. Bridesmaids included Melissa LeBlanc, sister of the bride, of Hunstville, Wendi Branch of Ft. Worth, Susan May of Dallas, and Nicole Vamvakias of College Station. Serving as flower girl was Blair Banker of Missouri City, cousin of the bride.

The bridesmaids wore coral-colored gowns of Italian satin. The rounding necklines were cut low in the back and featured a large bow. From the basque waistlines, the skirts fell into a tea-length sweep hemline. They carried arm bouquets of fresh flowers highlighted with light pink sonia roses, melon astromerias, purple larkspur and white daisies and accented with coral tulle and white satin ribbon.

The flower girl wore tea-length white lace dress accented with a white satin bow. She carried a basket of mixed flowers in complimenting colors.

Best man was Joey Thomas of Haskell. Groomsmen included Kacey Cain of College Station, Keith Medford of Haskell, Jim Lanier of Umbarger, and Ronnie Kirby of Houston.

Serving as ring bearers were Zachary Hise, nephew of the groom, of Holliday and Nathan LeBlanc, nephew of the bride, of Hunstville. They carried heart-shaped satin, appliqued pillows made by the mother of the groom, Phyllis Klose.

Serving as ushers were Todd Randolph of Port Neches, Joel Copeland, brother of the bride, and Paul Goodner, both of Baytown, Larry Kitchel, cousin of the bride, of Houston, and Jon Kitchel, cousin of the bride, of Friendswood.

Providing music for the occasion were Sheila Hise, sister of the groom, of Holliday, as vocalist and Richard Ponder of Baytown as organist.

A dance reception followed the ceremony at the Newport Country Club in Crosby. Houseparty member included Kim Banker, cousin of the bride, Terri Dockery, Angela Kitchel, Heather Smith, Alicia Harris, and Nicole Lanier.

Following a wedding trip to Cozumel, the couple will reside in Bryan.

The bride is a graduate of Ross S. Sterling High School. Both the bride and groom are graduates of Texas A&M University. The bride will be teaching in Bryan, and the groom will be a teacher's assistant at Texas A&M University until he earns his master's degree in Agricultural Finance in May.

A miscellaneous shower was held in the Fireside Room of the Memorial Baptist Church in honor of the bride. Hostesses were Jean Stephens, Sandra McKaskle, Mahalah Doolittle, Monette Roseberry, Cindy Stein, Yvonne Kitchel, and Dianne Brizzolara, all relatives of the bride. The honoree was presented with a starter set of her dinnerware and a canister set.

The groom's church, family, and friends hosted a miscellaneous shower at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Haskell. The bride received a set of cookware.

The bride was honored with a luncheon at the Kaffee Klatsch in Bryan given by Sally Kirby, Edna Woodall, Ginger Cherbonnier, Sally Motl, Jennifer Opie, Sheila Renchie, Julie Clark, and Dinah Bolton, teachers from Ben Milam Elementary. The bride received a complete set of towels.

The bride and groom were honored with a couple's shower at Tiki Island. Hostesses were Melissa and Jake LeBlanc, Kim and Bryan Banker, Angela and Jon Kitchel, and Larry Kitchel. Following a Mexican buffet, the couple was presented with "honey-do" gifts.

The bride was honored with a bath and lingerie shower in the home of Wendi Branch. Hostesses included Alicia Harris and the bridesmaids.

A bridal luncheon was given by Gail Branch, Jill Grail, Linda Hathaway, Renita McGahee and Gayle Tilton at the Teapot Depot in Highlands the day of the wedding. The bride was presented with a crystal biscuit jar from the hostesses.

The groom's parents hosted the rehearsal dinner at the Baytown Civic Center the evening preceding the wedding. Following a barbecue buffet, attendants were presented with gifts from the bride and groom. Decorated barbed-wire heart wreaths were presented to all the attendants from the hosts.

DPS Troopers to work Christmas holidays

All available trooper of the Texas Department of Public Safety will be working this Christmas holiday season and they will be especially watchful for those drivers that are in excess of the speed limit and those that drink while driving.

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Holiday recipe

Instant Cappuccino Mix
Yield 2 1/4 cups mix
1 cup powdered chocolate milk mix

3/4 cup powdered non-dairy creamer
1/2 cup instant coffee granules
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg

In a medium bowl, combine all ingredients. Store in an airtight container.

To serve: Place 1 heaping tablespoon mix in a cup or mug. Add 1 cup boiling water and stir.

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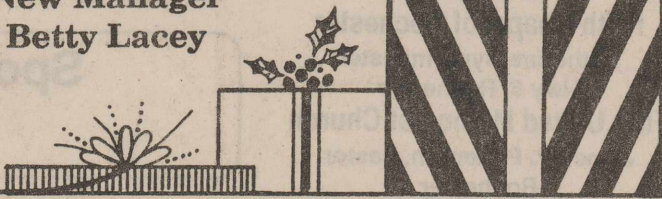
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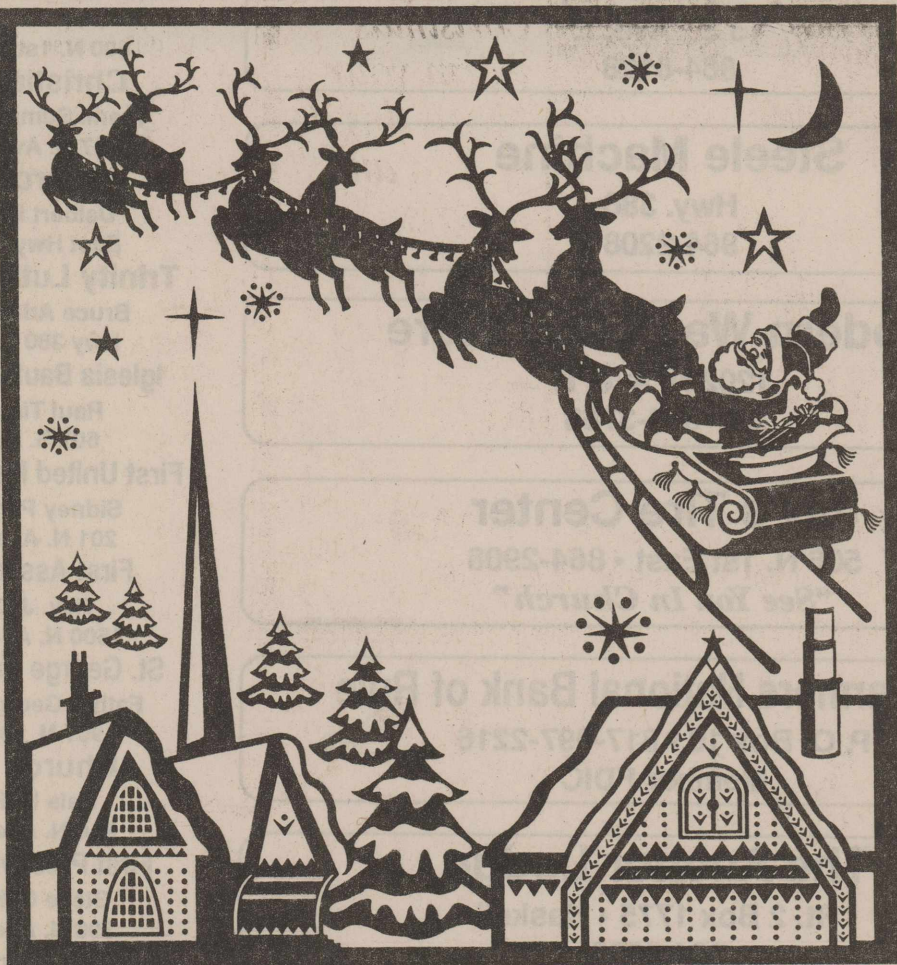
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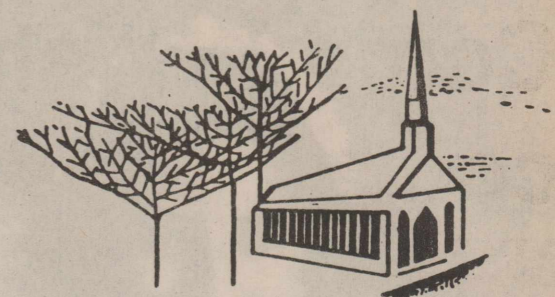
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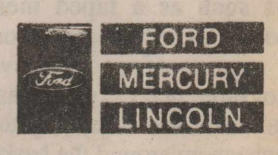
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Computer short course scheduled

The Knox County Extension Service will be offering an Introduction to BudPro computer short course. Stan Bevers, economist with the Texas A&M Center at Vernon, will teach computer users the features of BudPro, a new comprehensive set of standardized software programs for cotton, corn, cow/calf, sorghum, stocker cattle and wheat during a financial record keeping workshop. This introductory session has been scheduled for January 18, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Rhineland and covers the basics of developing enterprise budgets, tracking expenses, and determining break even prices.

The class is limited to twelve participants. Each student will have individual hands-on computer access. "While the pace of instruction will be geared toward the new computer user, current computer users will also benefit from this new exciting package," said Bevers.

Bevers has been teaching computer short courses to farmers and ranchers across the state for

many years. Agricultural producers must work within the factors which he can control such as expenses or finding alternative pricing methods, he said. Identification of market prices needed to cover costs (break even prices) become imperative to increasing competitiveness. Participants, using user-supplied information, will develop enterprise budgets and determine expected expenses, returns, and prices. Tips for use will be discussed throughout the course.

This workshop is part of The Texas Agricultural Extension Services' Have Computer Will Travel project. This innovative project was initiated in the fall of 1992 and involves the lease purchase of a notebook computer lab. This computer lab is used throughout the state and affords the flexibility to teaching a computer course anywhere there is a demand.

Registration fee is \$40 and is on a first come, first serve basis. For more information, contact Paul Weiser, Knox County Extension Agent, P.O. Box 167, Benjamin, Texas at (817) 454-2651.

Suggestions to trim holiday trash

There's more than one way to fight the holiday bulge at Christmas. We can watch our waste as well as our waistlines.

"Many of us do a great job of recycling and reducing our waste throughout the year, then we get to the holiday season and discover our trash cans are overflowing again," said Kevin Tuerff, manager of the Clean Texas 2000 pollution prevention program of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission.

"With our tips for trimming holiday trash and some help from the dozens of Christmas tree recycling programs around the state, we can all save a little money and take care of Texas during the holidays," Tuerff said. "Trimming waste doesn't detract from the spirit of the season."

Excess packaging and wrapping are big waste items at holiday gift-giving time. But manufacturers and retailers now offer more options.

Many gift bags, baskets, tins and other containers are reusable, as are ribbons and bows.

"One of every \$11 spend on gifts goes to packaging," Tuerff said. "By purchasing reusable wraps, you can save that extra dollar the next time around. At the same time, you don't add to the burden on landfills."

Christmas trees are another big disposal problem after the holidays. Thanks to the 134 cities and 15 counties in Texas that recycle trees, many Texans can now put those used trees to beneficial use.

Austin has the oldest and one of the most successful Christmas tree recycling programs in the state. In the first nine years of the program, more than 265,000 trees have been recycled, according to John Giedraitis, the city's arborist and forester.

Over the years, these trees have been chipped into the grand total of

18,000 cubic yards of mulch. Some of the mulch is used in city parks and public areas while the rest is used in "Dillo Dirt", a natural soil amendment sold by the city.

Reusing the trees has saved thousands of garbage truck trips to area landfills and thousands of cubic yards in landfill space. Trees, which aren't compacted well in garbage trucks, occupy much more space when they're sent to the landfill than when chipped into

mulch. Giedraitis said the Christmas tree recycling program is a great educational tool as well. "We've got more than 800 volunteers, including lots of kids, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. You can't buy the kind of educational publicity that a program like this attracts." "We get a tremendous number of people interested in recycling and forestry issues with this holiday program. That carries over into the rest of the year," he said.

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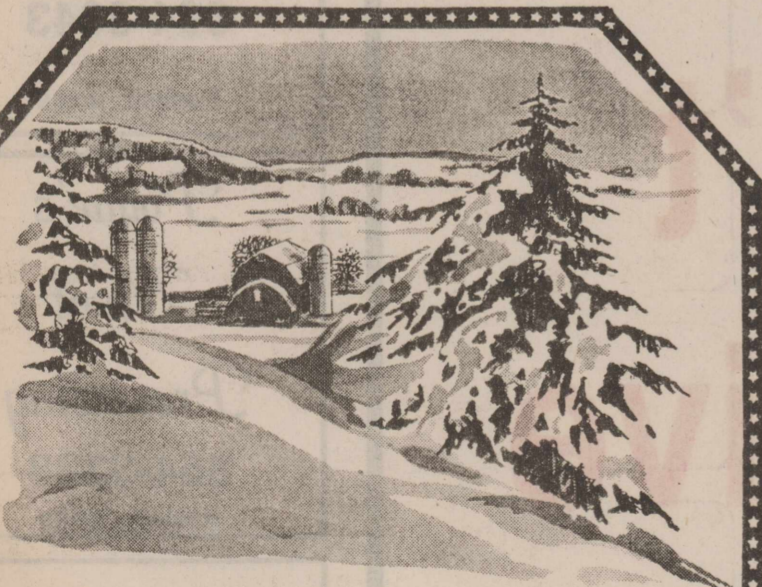


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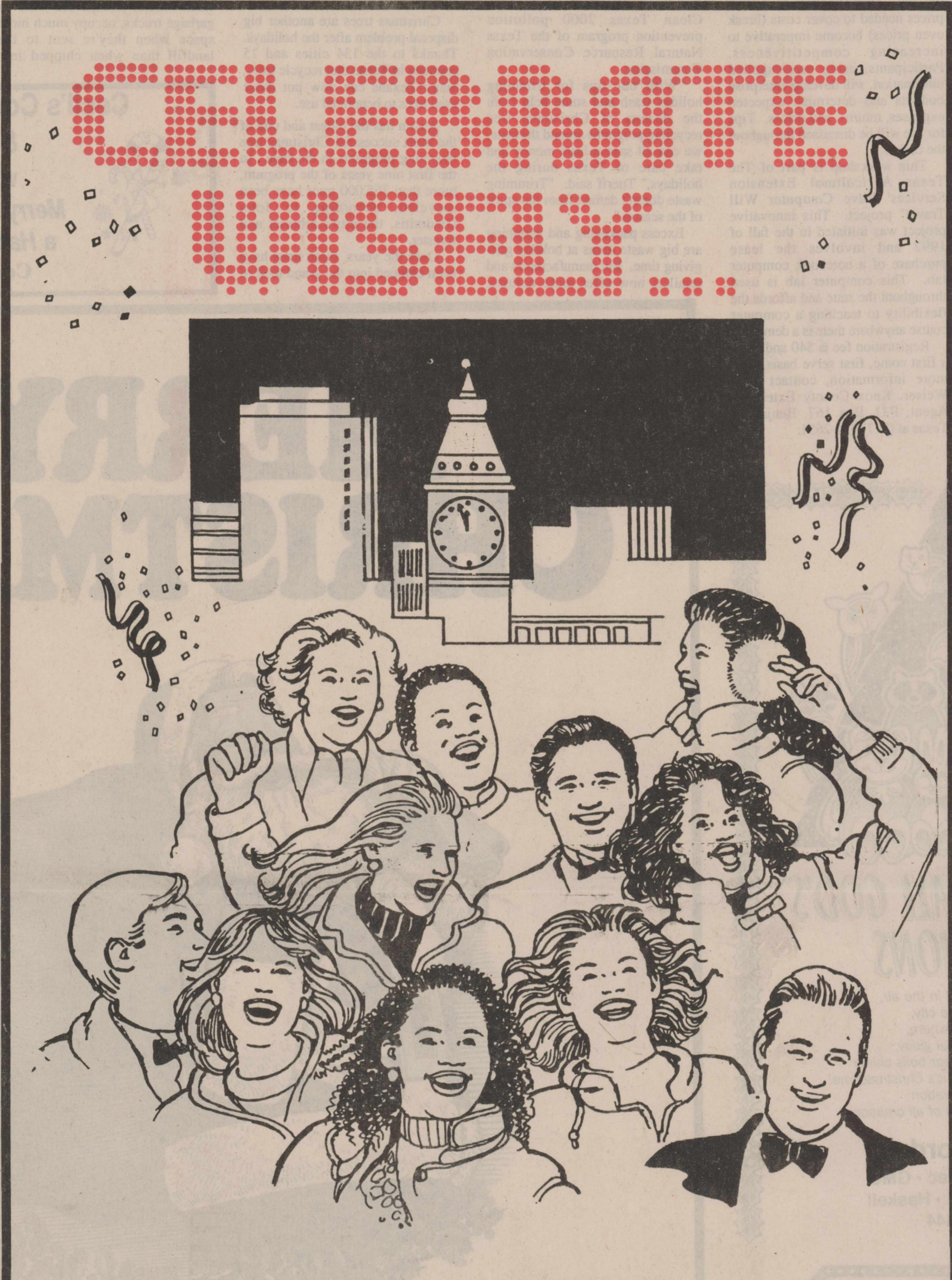
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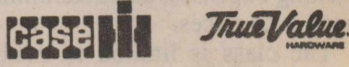


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