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All Around the Town
by Mary Ann Sarchet

Times change, and so do the things that people ask Santa for at Christmas. In proof of that statement, I offer this letter to Santa from the 1945 file of the Briscoe County News:

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, house-slippers, an ironing board and iron.
Love,
Shirley Fitzgerald

Shirley Ann's doll is going to kindergarten next month, and if you really want to make her mad, just give her an ironing board and an iron for Christmas!

These days the kids ask Santa for toys by the brand name that they throw at them on television every day. Instead of asking for a baby doll, they want a baby Alive. Instead of asking for a bicycle, they want a "Free Spirit" 10-speed Bike (boys). They just don't give Santa credit for knowing anything, do they?

Here are some other "old" letters you might enjoy seeing again. These are from Christmas 1945:

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl two years old and please bring me a doll and a wagon and a wagon if you have one.
Your friend,
Laquetta Jo Chitty

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Dear Santa,
Please bring me a two-gun holster, a red truck, a bow and arrow set and a big wagon and lots of nuts, candy and fruit.
Your friend,
Donnie Perkins

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Dear Santa,
Would you please bring me a doll with yellow curls and blue eyes. I would also like to have an ironing board, some doll clothes and some pins.
Your little friend,
Sandy Smith

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These came out of the Christmas 1946 file:

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a football and baseball and a bat. I want a cowboy suit and a bicycle. I want a pair of spurs.
Yours truly,
Buck D. Hardin

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Dear Santa Claus,
I've been a nice little boy. Would you please come to see me. I want an airplane and truck. I'll close and be looking for you.
Yours truly,
Charlie Parker

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Will you please bring me a rubber doll and a big buggy and some pretzels and please don't forget the nuts and candy and toy telephone and some doll clothes and please bring the poor children some gifts. I hope you a very Merry Christmas.
With love,
Merlene Yates

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Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring us a large red wagon and one steam shovel.
Jack and Joe Davis

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Dear Santa,
Will you bring me a bicycle and a wagon and some candy?
With love,
Norman Strange

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And these last ones came out of the 1938 Christmas edition:

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a football and a bicycle and a B-B gun. Also some candy and nuts.
Your friend,
Walter Bean

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Dear Santa,
I am a little boy six years old. I live in the country nine miles southeast of Silverton. Please bring me a football and some fireworks, and candy, fruit and nuts.
Your little friend,
Flunoy Hutsell

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P. S. Please bring my little brother Joedell a tractor, candy, fruit and nuts.

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Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good little boy and I hope to stay that way, and I thought I would write and tell you what I wanted for Christmas. I want an air gun. Some of the other children have been very nice to me. Most of all I want you to bring me some candy and an apple and



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Most Stores To Close Two Days

Most Silverton businesses will observe a two-day Christmas holiday next Tuesday and Wednesday. Lallie Patton has announced that she will close the In & Out Drive In on Monday and Tuesday. Brown Hardware will be closed Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday because of the energy shortage—Brown's. The Briscoe County News will be closed all next week. Dr. Boyd will be out of the clinic Christmas through New Year's.

Varsity Teams Play Today

Friday's Basketball Games Tonight

Junior High Teams On Winning Streak

The Junior High Owls and Owlettes have established a 5-game winning streak during the past week. Last Thursday night, the teams won three of four games played here with Clarendon, and on Monday night the teams took a pair of wins at Lakeview.

The Seventh Grade Owls led off the action last Thursday, and dropped their match 14-29. Doug McJimsey was the highest scorer with seven points, with Kirk Durham putting up four, Kyle Bean adding two, and Tommy Perkins sinking a free throw.

The Seventh Grade Owlettes sought to avenge the loss by dumping their Clarendon counterparts 41-25. Twila Wood put in 18 points to lead the scoring. Annette Fleming put in eight points, Leslie Pigg, 6; Kim Cornett and Lisa Younger, 3 each; Ellen Hutsell, 2, and Liz Wristen, 1.

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| Seventh Grade | 2 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 14 |
| Clarendon | 8 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 29 |

The Eighth Grade Owlettes handed Clarendon a 47-23 defeat. Kim Hutsell put in 21 big points for the Owlettes. Linda Vaughn added 11; Debbie Storie, 9; Mignone Rauch, 6.

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| Seventh Grade | 12 | 17 | 7 | 5 | 41 |
| Clarendon | 0 | 9 | 11 | 5 | 25 |

Six boys shared the scoring as the Eighth Grade Owls defeated Clarendon 28-16. Brent Brannon and Ronnie Graves each put in seven points; Jacky Vaughn, 6; Esbardo Cruz, 4; Johnny Ortega and James Kitchens, 2 points each.

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| Eighth Grade | 8 | 8 | 6 | 8 | 28 |
| Clarendon | 4 | 0 | 8 | 4 | 16 |

Monday night the Junior High Owls and Owlettes traveled to Lakeview for a pair of wins. The Owlettes outscored Lakeview 30-14 and the Owls won 28-14.

Scoring for the Owlettes were Kim Hutsell, 18; Mignone Rauch and Linda Vaughn, 6 points each.

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| Owlettes | 12 | 10 | 2 | 6 | 30 |
| Lakeview | 0 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 14 |

Jacky Vaughn led the scoring for the Owls with 10 points. Jace Francis got five; Brent Brannon and Ronnie Graves, four each; James Kitchens and Rodney Bullock, two each; Kirk Durham, one.

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| Owls | 8 | 3 | 13 | 4 | 28 |
| Lakeview | 2 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 14 |

The Junior High Owls and Owlettes open their district campaign at Claude January 4. They will host the Valley teams January 10.

Turkey Shoot Is Slated Saturday

Silverton Young Farmers will sponsor a Turkey Shoot beginning at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, December 22, at the Silverton Gun Club Rifle Range west of town.

The Stock Show Board is sponsoring a caliche haul this weekend, Saturday, December 22, 1973, beginning at 8:00 a.m.

The caliche will be used to put around the new show barn that is being built just south of where the old show barn is now. The putting of the caliche there will insure that, rain or shine, you will be able to attend the Annual Briscoe County Stock Show.

E. A. Birdwell has donated the caliche to use if volunteers will haul it. Thanks to him for this donation.

It is requested that anyone who has a grain truck meet at the rodeo arena at 8:00 a.m. All the trucks and drivers available are needed. This will not only benefit the 4-H and FFA youth but everyone who attends the stock show.

Please help out. If you have a truck to lend but cannot drive it Saturday, please call Don Cornett at Thompson Implement.

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Cleaners Open Under New Management

City Tailors, formerly operated by Doris and Norlan Dudley who are moving to Spring near Houston, is now open under the management of Teresa and Rick Hester. Mrs. Hester is being assisted in operation of the business by Mrs. Diana Hill, who will be in charge of alterations.

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| Lakeview | 2 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 14 |

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Pat And James Gernandt Lose Home To Fire

Mr. and Mrs. James Gernandt of Austin had the misfortune of losing their home and all their personal belongings to fire Tuesday night.

Mrs. Gernandt is the former Pat Jarrett. She called her mother, Mrs. Claude Jarrett early Wednesday and told her of their loss.

Pat and James were away from home Tuesday night and when they returned they found they had lost everything they had.

Silverton High School's varsity Owls and Owlettes will travel to Claude for a pair of games beginning at 5:30 p.m. The teams will observe the Christmas holiday, and will look forward to the Claude Tournament December 27-28-29. The Owls and Owlettes have drawn Claude as their first match in the tournament.

The varsity teams competed in the Hale Center Tournament last weekend, with the Owls taking a big win in the first round and advancing into the championship bracket, and the Owlettes losing two straight. The Owls lost in both the second and third rounds to come home empty-handed after dropping a close game for third place to the Happy Cowboys.

Craig Culwell burned the boards for 37 points to lead the Owls to a 62-31 victory over Whiteface in round one. Barry Francis caged nine points; Ken Wood put in eight; Randy Clay, four; Barry Bullock, two; Tim Wilson and Rick Hutsell each got one point.

Also seeing action in the game were Gary Storie, Marshall Rauch, Ken Sarchet and Tommy Bullock.

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| Owls | 16 | 17 | 17 | 12 | 62 |
| Whiteface | 7 | 6 | 7 | 11 | 31 |

The Owlettes lost to Whiteface 41-61. Jill Hutsell put up 17 points; Becky Francis, 14; Peggy Kitchens, 4; Tammy Stephens, 4; Lesa Francis, 2. Also playing at forward were Lee Ann McMurtry and Darla Strange.

Playing guard for the Owlettes were Lori Francis, Sharon Storie, Kerri Arnold, Denise Culwell, Brenda Payne, Gayla McCord and Margaret Crosslin.

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| Owlettes | 10 | 17 | 6 | 8 | 41 |
| Whiteface | 17 | 15 | 16 | 13 | 61 |

In the second round of the tournament, the Owls lost to Hale Center 52-59 and the girls dropped a 36-61 match to Kress.

Culwell led the scoring with 16 points; Clay, 14; Francis, 12; and Wood, 10. Barry Bullock and Brett Gill were the other Owls seeing action.

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| Owls | 14 | 12 | 16 | 10 | 52 |
| Hale Center | 16 | 17 | 10 | 16 | 59 |

Jill Hutsell led the Owlette scoring with 21 points. Becky Francis got 11 points; Margaret Crosslin, 3 and Darla Strange, 1. Also playing at forward were Peggy Kitchens, Tammy Stephens, Lesa Francis and Lee Ann McMurtry.

Playing at guard were Lori Francis, Sharon Storie, Kerri Arnold, Denise Culwell, Brenda Payne, Gayla McCord and Margaret Crosslin.

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| Owlettes | 1 | 16 | 9 | 10 | 36 |
| Kress | 15 | 19 | 17 | 11 | 61 |

In the third round of the tournament, the Owls lost to Happy 36-41. Wood scored 10; Culwell and Clay, eight points each; Barry Bullock and Barry Francis, four each; Rick Hutsell, two points. Also in the game for the Owls were Brett Gill, Gary Storie and Ken Sarchet.

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| Owls | 6 | 6 | 8 | 16 | 36 |
| Happy | 4 | 11 | 13 | 13 | 41 |

Tuesday night, the locals won only one of three district games with Wellington. The Owlette Jun-

ior Varsity led off the second home appearance for the teams this season with a 29-23 win.

Scoring was by Jean Reeves, 12; Lee Ann McMurtry, 11; Lesa Francis, 6. Also playing at forward was Dara Garvin. The guards were Suzette Fitzgerald, Donna Dudley and Debra Strange.

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| Owlette JV | 0 | 9 | 12 | 8 | 29 |
| Wellington | 2 | 15 | 2 | 4 | 23 |

The varsity Owlettes had a very cold night, and didn't ring up a point until midway in the second quarter. By this time, Wellington was considerably out front, and though the Owlettes recovered some in the second half, they were never in contention.

Jill Hutsell scored 15 points; Becky Francis, 4; Darla Strange, 5. Tammy Stephens also played at forward. Guards were Lori Francis, Sharon Storie, Kerri Arnold, Denise Culwell, Brenda Payne, Gayla McCord and Margaret Crosslin.

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| Owlettes | 0 | 8 | 10 | 6 | 24 |
| Wellington | 17 | 17 | 17 | 2 | 48 |

The Owls started slow, but outscored Wellington in each of the final two quarters to finish two points behind, 48-50.

Culwell led the scoring with 16; Wood, 12; Barry Bullock, 10; Barry Francis, 9; Brett Gill, 1. Randy Clay also started for the Owls.

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| Owls | 8 | 8 | 16 | 16 | 48 |
| Wellington | 10 | 14 | 14 | 12 | 50 |

BACK THE OWLS!

Bureau Opposes State Income Tax

"The Farm Bureau is not in favor of a state income tax."

That's the statement made by L. B. Garvin, jr. of Silverton, president of the Briscoe County Farm Bureau, regarding tax policies adopted by the Texas Farm Bureau at its recent 40th annual convention in Abilene.

Garvin said that a wire news story incorrectly implied that the TFB had adopted a proposal favoring a state income tax. As a matter of fact, he said, the voting delegates overwhelmingly defeated proposals for such a tax.

Garvin said he was certain that the error in the news story was inadvertent and that the convention received excellent coverage by both major wire services as well as locally. But, a great many members, particularly those who had served as delegates, were confused by the incorrect news story, he said.

In explaining tax policies adopted, Garvin said the voting delegates approved a plan for taxing agricultural lands according to productive value. He said the organization had long favored such assessment, but that this was the first time for the organization to spell out exactly how it should be done.

Under the TFB plan, a five percent capitalization rate would be applied to price and production factors in determining the actual productive value of agricultural land.

In other tax matters, the delegates not only turned down proposals for the state income tax, they also voted against pari-mutuel betting and a state lottery as methods of raising revenue. They did favor a \$10 additional tax on motor vehicle licenses to help pay for education.

Only 12 letters comprise the Hawaiian alphabet.

BACK THE OWLS!

Jack Hightower Seeks Congressional Seat

Memphis, Texas—State Senator Jack Hightower, Democrat of Vernon, announced here December 11 that he will enter the 1974 race for Congressman from the 13th Congressional District.

Hightower chose his birthplace of Memphis, near the farm which his grandfather homesteaded in 1890, to tell a news conference of his decision to seek the office now held by Republican Bob Preece of Pampa.

"More than ever, confidence in government is essential to the success of this nation and the progress of the people," Hightower said. "I believe I can contribute to the rebuilding of our country's faith in the integrity of its political leaders."

"I look forward to an honest, positive campaign that will put me in personal touch with every citizen I can visit in every city, town and crossroads in the District."

"Serving in the Texas Senate for almost 10 years has been a high honor. I consider the Congress to be a new and greater opportunity for public service."

Hightower, who has been a State Senator since 1965, was elected President Pro Tem of the Senate in 1971. This year, as chairman of the Administration Committee, he helped reduce the Senate's operating budget by more than \$200,000. He was a leader in the new-taxes legislative session—only the second time in some 20 years that state government was funded without a tax bill. His performance as a Senator resulted in the passage of the second highest number of bills passed in the Senate this year. Hightower is one of five senators on the key Constitutional Convention Planning Committee and is also active in the interim as chairman of the West Texas Sub-Committee of the Citizens Advisory Committee on Water.

His record in the Senate was described by the Vernon Daily Record as "in harmony with the views and wishes of the great majority of his constituents." The Wichita Falls Record News wrote that "he stands tall and erect in the image of a West Texan... with a personal code of conduct that is of the highest order."

Texas Monthly magazine noted recently that Hightower is "regarded as an expert and able leader" and said that he "performed his duties as chairman of the Administration Committee with rock-solid fairness; he continue to be among the most trusted and respected Senators."

Governor Dolph Briscoe, speaking at an appreciation dinner for Hightower in Plainview last month, declared that he "has established one of the finest reputations ever



JACK HIGHTOWER

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in the history of government in Texas as an outstanding official who gives true meaning to the term 'public service'.

"He is a man who is intensely loyal," Governor Briscoe added, "and he has made tremendous contributions to what I see as a new era of fiscal responsibility in state government."

Briscoe also praised Hightower's work in restoration of the Capitol building: "Under his careful and conscientious guidance the beauty and heritage of the State Capitol has been preserved and has been put to full use."

More than a thousand people greeted Hightower at a reception in Wichita Falls on November 30 and his supporters in Childress sponsored an appreciation supper December 8. Hightower said that the outpouring of support he has received at these functions and in his travels throughout the district convinced him that "the 13th District is predominantly Democratic and I believe the voters should have a clear choice on who can represent them most effectively in Washington."

Hightower, 47, ran his first race the year after receiving a law degree from Baylor University and won a term (1953-54) in the Texas House of Representatives.

He was appointed and then re-elected twice as District Attorney of the 46th Judicial District, serving as president of the Texas District and County Attorneys Association and being named "Outstanding District Attorney of Texas" for 1959.

Hightower was appointed by Governor Preece Daniel to the Texas Law Enforcement Commission in 1957 and has served as vice president of the Texas Junior Bar Association.

He was elected to the Senate from the 23rd District and two years later won the 30th District race against a fellow senator and another candidate without a runoff. He was unopposed for re-election in 1970 and 1972.

Hightower was vice chairman of the Board of Regents of Midwestern University and is currently a member of the Board of Trustees of Baylor University.

He served in the Navy during World War II before earning a BA degree at Baylor. In 1971 he was awarded an honorary LLD degree from Howard Payne College.

Born in Memphis to Walter (now deceased) and Floy Hightower, he graduated from Memphis High School with honors in 1944. His mother still lives here.

Hightower is married to the former Colleen Ward of Tulsa. They have three daughters: Ann, 20; Amy, 17, and Alison, 14.

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Christmas Party Held Sat. Night

L. O. A. Junior Study Club held their annual Christmas party December 15 in the Pioneer Room of the First State Bank with "Togetherness... In the Spirit of Christmas" as their theme.

Refreshments were served to members and their families by the hostesses. A surprise visit was

made by Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus who brought gifts for all the children. After the gifts were distributed, Mr. and Mrs. Claus and the children decorated the Christmas tree.

Christmas music was presented by Jimmy Burson, Doug Yarbrough and Mabry Greenhaw. The members and their families sang Christmas carols and heard a presentation on the origin of Santa Claus given by Mabry Greenhaw.

The club's special guest, Angela Eakright, from Gristown, U. S. A. was introduced and given a special gift.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Fogerson, Kristy and Peni, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Towse and Julie, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thieboud and Rhett, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Copeland, Kery and Ty, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Edwards, Tammi and Neal, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pigg and John Earl, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Burson, Kimberly and Keeley, Mr. and Mrs. John Wyatt, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Nance and Tara, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Green, Dena and Shea, Mrs. Roland Montague and Rhett, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Herrington, DeAnna and Deborah, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Turner, Nortina and Patricia, Mr. and Mrs. Max Stevenson, Jimmy, Tommy and Sammy, Mr. and Mrs. Mabry Greenhaw, Melissa, Michael and Marlon, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Weeks and Robby, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Eddleman, Blaine and Barry, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Yarbrough and Robbie, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Baird, Kerry and Kori, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Couch, Diji and Julia, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Bomar, Mr. and Mrs. John Schott, Bryan, David and Clay, and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Vanstory and Jim Bob.

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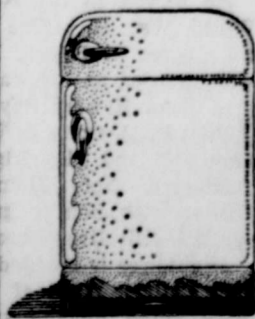
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 Love,
 Tammi Edwards

DEAR SANTA,
 I have been a pill but I will try to be better. I want a B-B gun for Christmas.
 Love,
 Neal Edwards

DEAR SANTA,
 My name is Denny Wayne Hill. I am two years old. I think I've been a pretty good boy this year. Would you please bring me a road grader for Christmas? I would also

FAMILY HAS EARLY CHRISTMAS DINNER

A Christmas dinner was served in the home of Mrs. Shelby Haynes Sunday, December 16. Eight brothers and sisters were among those present, and one sister was unable to attend.

Present were Mrs. Guy Whitacre, Mr. and Mrs. Todd Edd Burson, Maud Dean Burson, Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Grady Burson, Amarillo; Mrs. Less Weeks, Max Burson, Mineral Wells; Mr. and Mrs. O. Z. Light, Panhandle; Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Whitehead, Sharon; Mrs. Happy Cole and a friend, David, Tulsa; Mr. and Mrs. James Patton.

Several of the family attended morning services at First Baptist Church where Sharon, a student at Wayland Baptist College, and her friend, David, surprised her Grandmother Haynes by honoring her with a special song.

After a bountiful lunch, music and songs were enjoyed and gifts were exchanged. Lallie Patton and Shirlee Whitehead assisted their mother with hospitalities.

Helping Hand Club Has Christmas Party

The Helping Hand Club members carried out a tradition of almost 30 years when they entertained their husbands at a Christmas dinner Thursday night in the P. C. A. community room.

After enjoying the holiday meal the group played "42". Those present for a pleasurable evening were Mrs. Merle Oneal, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Rowell, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Dickerson, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Steele, Mr. and Mrs. Lenton Lanham, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McPherson and Bobby, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Callaway, Mr. and Mrs. Jord Hollingsworth and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Nance.

Good Samaritan Class Has Christmas Luncheon

The ladies of the Good Samaritan Sunday School Class met at the First Baptist Church December 14 for their Christmas luncheon. The tables were decorated with Christmas colors and candles.

Bro. Porter Arnold led the group in prayer, and Mrs. LaRue Garvin played Christmas music.

Marshall Rauch and Danna Garvin entertained with a duet, "Holy Night." Lori Francis and Danna Garvin sang "Gesu Bambino."

The luncheon consisted of baked turkey and all the trimmings, pies and all kinds of good things to eat.

Eighteen members of the class were present. Some were sick and unable to attend, and they were greatly missed. There were 12 guests, including Mrs. Mae Bomar's sister from Lubbock and Mrs. Zireta Perry's sister from Kilgore, the pastor and his wife.

All reported a lovely time and fellowship together.

High Plains Club Has Two Meetings

The High Plains Home Demonstration Club has met twice recently. Five club members attended November 14 in the home of Mrs. Georgia Vaughn. Mrs. Dorothy Powell, County Extension Agent, presented a Christmas Ideas Program. Members then discussed various types of Christmas gift and decorating ideas they had found useful. Members attending were Mrs. Dorothy Crosslin, Mrs. Paula Jackson, Mrs. Olivia Aguilar and Mrs. Vaughn from Silverton, and Mrs. Dorothy Fulbright from Quitaque.

"Seven Keys to a Happy Life" was the topic of discussion at the November 29 meeting. The program dealt with how to live a happier life by learning to control one's emotions. Club members present were Mrs. Janie Leal, Mrs. Janie Charles, Mrs. Dorothy Crosslin, Mrs. Elvira Cruz and the hostess, Mrs. Georgia Vaughn. The club's next meeting was set for December 12.

Mrs. Dee Arnold Honored at Shower

Mrs. Dee Arnold, the former Miss Pat Heckman of Claude, was guest of honor at a coffee and shower in the home of Mrs. Wayne McMurtry on Thursday, December 13.

Christmas decorations were used throughout the home. The refresh-

ment table was covered with a Christmas cloth, and the centerpiece was an iron skillet with a red candle in its center with holly and red berries surrounding it, and a red and white checked bow was tied to the skillet's handle.

Cheese and sausage balls, doughnuts, pumpkin bread, coffee and spiced tea were served by Mrs. Leland Wood using pewter appointments.

Guests were registered by Miss Jeanette Arnold, sister of the bridegroom.

Attending from out-of-town

was Mrs. Pat Caldwell of Hereford. Special guests at the party were the bride's mother, Mrs. Ray Heckman of Claude; Mrs. Walter Arnold and Mrs. Arthur Arnold, mother and grandmother of the bridegroom.

Hostesses assisting Mrs. McMurtry were Mrs. Alvie Francis, Mrs. L. B. Garvin, jr., Mrs. L. D. Griffin, Mrs. Leland Wood, Mrs. Riley Ziegler, Mrs. Riley Harris, Mrs. Jack Harris, Mrs. Harold Storie, Mrs. Harvey McJimsey, Mrs. Ruby Gilkeyson, Mrs. Wayne Mayfield, Mrs. Guinn Fitzgerald.

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| Free Delivery Silverton, Tex | | | |

Merry Christmas

May you share with those you love, the blessings, big and small

That make this Christmas holiday your brightest one of all.

And through the year that lies ahead may every day renew

The Hope and Faith and Happiness that Christmas brought to you.

Robert and Betty McPherson and family
 Edwin and Lorene Crass
 Miriam Jowell
 Ollie McMinn
 Bertha Rhoderick
 Mr. and Mrs. P. H. McKenney
 Alvin and Winnie Redin
 Jarus Flowers and family
 Frances Thurman
 Blanche Newman
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 Leo, Willene, Larry and Kelly Comer
 John and Jeannett Herring
 The Marvin Montagues
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 Bertha Pavlicek
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 Carl, Fern and Missy Minyard

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 Lois and Ruth Ann Cline
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 Raymond and Ravenel Grewe and Papa Cobb
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 Orville and Jackie Turner and girls
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 Brubs, Betty, Laquita and Wylie Bomar
 The George Longs
 Thelma Reagan
 Mabel Tomlin
 Spud and Betty Nan Tiffin and boys
 The Roy Mack Walkers
 The Larry Wilsons
 Terry and Paula Bomar
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 Roland, Mary Lane and Rhett Montague
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 The Bob Rauch family
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 The J. W. Reid family
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 Erma Joy Luhman
 Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Northcutt
 Nannie Bomar
 Gladys Arnold
 The Buck Hardin family
 W. D., Peggy, Donna, Connie and Will Rowell
 Charles, Mary Ann and Ken Sarchet
 Pat, Pat and Alicia Boothe
 Weldon, Rita, Gayla and Jeff McCord

Those whose names appear on this page extend to you their personal Christmas greetings. They have donated to the L. O. A. Junior Study Club Christmas Greeting Fund instead of sending greeting cards locally, and have made possible the improvement of the Junior Livestock Show Barn.

This page was donated by the Briscoe Co. News.

Dear Santa

Box 311
Tunica, Miss. 38676

DEAR SANTA,
I am a little girl four years old and I have been a pretty good girl. I would like for you to bring me a Talking Barbie and Ken, a car, and Barbie clothes. Would you please bring my little sister, Amy, a doll or stuffed toy. We will be at Papa Jack and Granny Estes's for Christmas, so you can bring my things there.

Please remember my cousins and my mommy and daddy. I will kiss you for my Barbies and Amy's doll.
Love,
Annessa McDonald

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,

I have been a good girl. I want a new bike for my birthday because my birthday is December 25. For Christmas I want a new baby doll. And some clothes. And what ever else you want to bring me. Bring my three sisters something too, and don't forget the other boys and girls.

I love you,
Donna Boling

DEAR SANTA,

I am six years old and I have been a pretty good girl this year. I would like for you to bring me a Crissy doll, Easy Bake Oven, a stuffed animal for my bed, and a surprise.

Love,
Kori Baird

Route 1, Box 104
Anton, Texas 79313

DEAR SANTA,
I have been a good girl. I didn't



SECTION TWO

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1973

mean to write on the dresser. Will you please bring me a Barbie Surprise House for Christmas. If you have any extra Baby Alive dolls I would like that, too. I will be at Silverton on Christmas seeing my Grandmother and Granddaddy Dudley cause my Grandmother and Granddad Comer are going to Virginia. I love you, Santa.

Love,
Christi Comer
4 years old

DEAR SANTA,

I have been a good girl all this year. Please bring me a Putt-Putt train, Weebles, and a Newborn Baby Tenderlove.

Love,
Missy Minyard

DEAR SANTA,

My name is Katrice. I am four years old. My little brother Anthony is 1½. We have tried to be good. Would you please bring me a doll with hair that I can comb. And a pair of cowboy boots. And a bicycle. And please bring Anthony a wagon, a truck and a toy monkey. Don't forget my cousins.

We love you.
Katrice and Anthony Minyard

DEAR SANTA,

I'm a little girl four years old. I've tried to be good, and mind my Mama, Nanny and Pa. So will you please bring me a motorcycle, a small trampoline, boots, warm sleepers and a baby bed for my big baby doll. Thank you for coming early and bringing my big doll when I had to give up my kitty because it makes me cough and sneeze.

I love you, Santa.
Your friend,
Regina Stone

DEAR SANTA,

I have been a good boy and I would like to have a motorcycle, a racer car, light for bicycle, record player, truck, new clothes, colors, surf and reel, real checkers, coloring book, toy soldiers and puzzle.

I am six years old.
Richard Reid, jr.
Jacksonville, Florida

DEAR SANTA,

I have been a god girl and I would like to have a doll, colors, teddy bear, purse, doll clothes, doll house, dress, horse and toy drum.

I am two years old.
Amy Reid
Jacksonville, Florida

DEAR SANTA,

I'm a little boy four years old. I have tried very hard to be good. I would like a Putt-Putt train set, a car transport truck and a construction set.

I have a new baby sister this year so please don't forget her. She is only seven months old so bring her a Baby Beans and some baby toys.

Please don't forget all the other boys and girls. We love you.
Jason and Lorrie Minyard

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,

I have been a pretty good girl most of the time so will you please bring me a Barbie Camper, a doll house and a baby doll that takes a bath.

My little brother has been a good boy and wants a Putt-Putt train and a barn.

There will be a candy cane on the tree for you.
Merry Christmas.
Stacy and Kendal Minyard

DEAR SANTA,

I would wuv to have a little Raggedy Ann and a red gun. Please bring me a big horse. I was a little afraid to sit on your lap this year, but I do love you.

Misti Miller

CHRISTMAS BIRTHDAYS

I arrived one Christmas morn That's the day that I was born Other kids are not like me I fell out of the Christmas tree . . .

When my birthday rolls around They close up all the stores in town And have a holiday for me I fell out of the Christmas tree . . .

Every year on Christmas Day They all let me have my way I'm not like most kids, you see, I fell out of the Christmas tree . . .

Now Christmas birthdays may be nice

But I'll give you a clue I have a party once a year, The other kids have two . . .

But I want it understood I wouldn't change it if I could 'Cause it's plain as plain can be . . . If it wasn't for Christmas . . . There wouldn't be me!



The star is always associated with the story of the Wise Men. In Matthew 2:9 and 10 we read " . . . lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with great joy."

In our stately carol, "We Three Kings of Orient Are," the poet hails it as:

Star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to that perfect light.

Watch Your Purse, Lady While Shopping

Pickpockets and purse snatchers operate at peak activity during the holidays, lured by crowded stores and shoppers with extra money. Pickpockets find it easy to steal handbags that hang from the shoulder or wrist. Extra-large handbags favored by some women are especially tempting targets. Too, many women keep their wallets or coin purses at the top of their bag, which makes them most accessible for a thief. When you are in a crowd, police advise that you hold your pocketbook tightly by the clasp.



PLUM PUDDING

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½ pound dry bread crumbs
1 cup scalded milk
½ cup sugar
4 egg yolks
1½ cups seeded raisins (cut in pieces and floured)
¾ cup dried figs, chopped
2 ounces citron, cut fine
½ pound suet
¾ cup wine, current jelly or grape juice.
1 teaspoon nutmeg
¼ teaspoon cinnamon
¼ teaspoon ground cloves
¼ teaspoon mace
1½ teaspoon salt
4 egg whites

Soak bread crumbs in milk and let stand until cool. Add sugar, egg yolks, raisins, figs and citron. Chop suet and work with hands until creamy. Combine mixture. Add wine, currant jelly or grape juice, spices, salt and beaten egg whites. Put into greased pudding mold and steam for 3 hours. (The recipe makes 9 cups batter) Serve with hard sauce or lemon sauce. Serves 8 or more.
Do try the following lemon sauce for your plum pudding - it's really very good.

Lemon Sauce:
1 egg
1 cup sugar
½ teaspoon nutmeg
2 tablespoons grated lemon rind
¼ cup lemon juice
3 tablespoons water
¼ cup butter

Beat egg; add sugar, nutmeg and lemon rind. Combine lemon juice and water; add to sugar mixture. Heat until boiling, stirring constantly. Add butter and cook for 5 minutes, stirring until butter blends evenly into sauce. Serve hot over steamed pudding. Makes almost 2 cups sauce.



The Most Beautiful Story

The first and perhaps the most beautiful story is related in the second chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew:

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem.

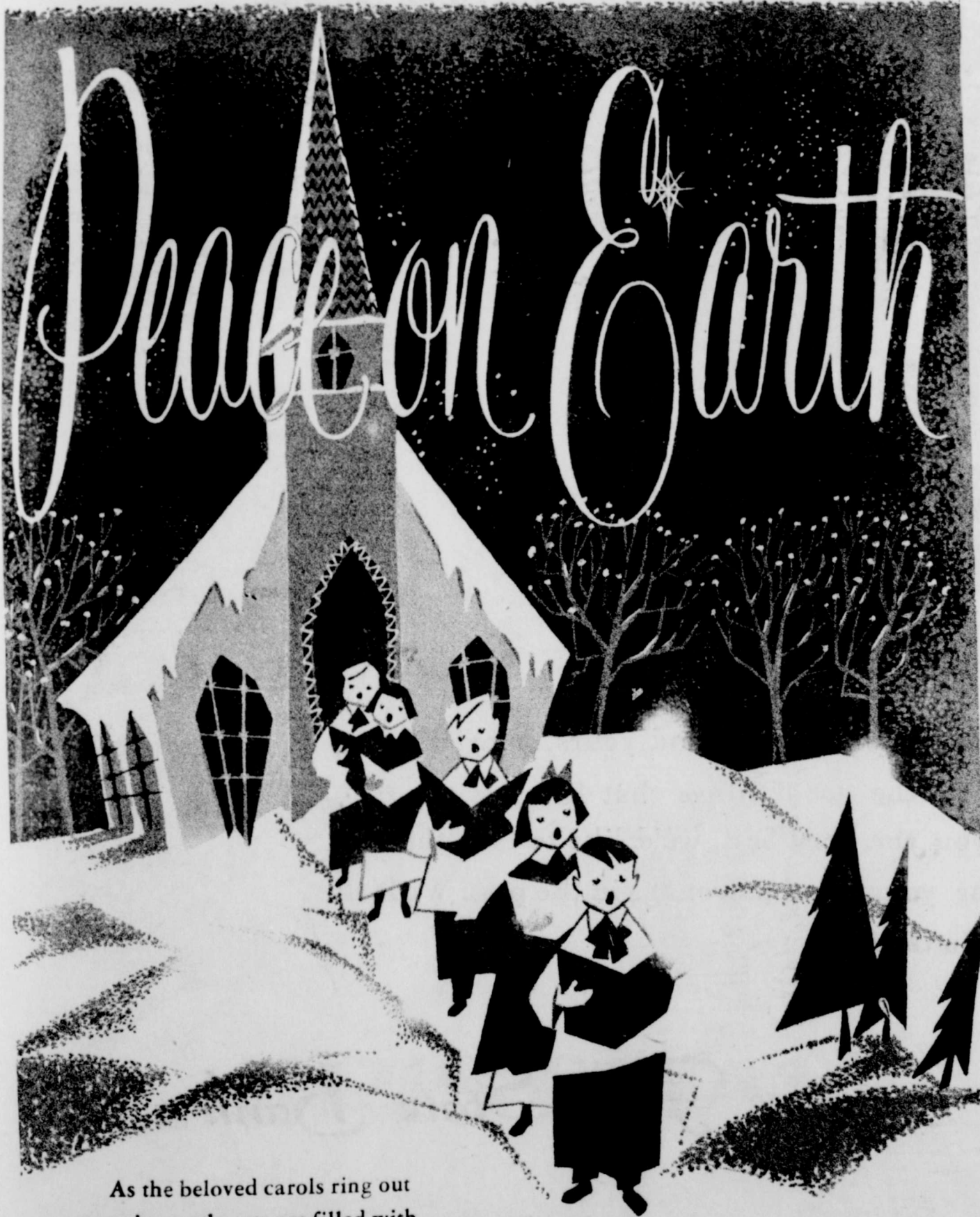
Saying, where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him . . .

And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.

When they had heard the king, they departed: And, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: And when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold and frankincense, and myrrh.



As the beloved carols ring out once again, our hearts are filled with hope that a lasting peace on earth will become a reality—a peace that will be echoed in every heart, everywhere. At this Christmas season, may we take the opportunity to wish our many good friends the best of everything. A joyous Noel!

BRISCOE COOPERATIVES
Raymond McJimsey, Mgr.



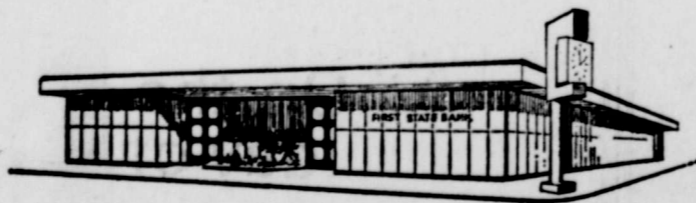
On the twelfth day of Christmas my true love gave to me . . .

the opportunity of wishing our good friends a very merry Christmas!

FOGERSON LUMBER AND SUPPLY



May the spirit of Christmas abide with you and yours...may it bring you happiness, peace, and all the good things that life has to offer. And while we're wishing you the very best, we'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for your loyal patronage in the past. We look forward to serving you again in the futur



First State Bank

Madeline Stone
Ada Clay
Ruby Brannon
Bessie Garrison
Mary John Harris

Stephen Jarnagin
David Tipton
H. B. (Doc) Simpson
William J. Strange
Sid Richards

SEASON'S BEST TO ALL



We wish you and your loved ones a very bright,

festive and fun-filled holiday celebration! Greetings from

ASHEL McDANIEL TEXACO

MODERN DAY GIFT WRAPPING IDEAS



Among the more frantic tasks of the approaching frantic season is the Christmas wrapping trauma. Organize this task to save your nerves and your pocketbook. If you choose one color scheme and stick to it, your packages will look more individual and you won't have ribbons and papers that don't match each other.

A large size roll of plastic tape in a heavy dispenser is a good investment. If you are fortunate to have one room where you can confine this operation, you won't have to put everything away every time you stop.

Tie-on tags don't slither off the package leaving you to wonder who it was intended for. If you can find a place to hang the scissors in plain view, you won't spend time hunting for them.

It is much less expensive and less troublesome to buy one very large roll of paper than to invest in costly packaged paper that turns out to have two square sheets which are usually too small for large packages. Also, large yardage belts of ribbon are more satisfactory and cheaper in the long run than ribbons measured in feet.

A new-look Christmas wrapping scheme is black and white with a sharp color accent. White paper with a fine black stripe or black-and-white tied up with brilliant orange, canary yellow, acid green, or a favorite bright color of yours, will make a good looking package.

Reminder: Always insure Christmas packages when mailing.



Merry Christmas

Deck the halls with holly ... may joy reign in your hearts and homes this season!

THERON AND FRANCES CRASS

Legend of the Magical Cherry Tree

In the days of the Christ Child's birth much of the known world was under the dominion of Rome. The people paid taxes to the Roman Empire.

A few weeks before her child was due, Mary and her husband, Joseph, plied their weary way to Bethlehem to pay their taxes.

On the way, Mary asked Joseph to pluck some cherries from a tree which, as if by magic, bloomed and bore fruit before their eyes.

Weary from miles of walking along the dusty road, and anxious to reach the city before dark, Joseph refused.

Patiently Mary again asked him to pluck the cherries. When he again refused, the tree bent down its branches so that Mary could reach them.

Awed and struck by this miracle, Joseph reverently sank to his knees and asked forgiveness of his Lord, and of Mary. Now he realized that the baby soon to be born must indeed be the Son of God.



Holly, Traditional To Christmas

Holly has long been considered the most sacred of Christmas greens; and the red berries are said to represent the blood of Jesus.

"Of all the trees that are in the wood, only the holly bears the crown!"



Time to put up all the trimmings on the tree...and to take a moment to tell our patrons that we've enjoyed serving you during the past year; we look forward to serving you again. Happy holidays!

IN AND OUT DRIVE



We wish you great joy this Christmastide...may love and peace abide with you and yours all through the holiday season and in days to come.

RAY THOMPSON IMPLEMENT, INC.
Silverton, Texas



MAY THE JOY AND PEACE OF CHRISTMAS BE WITH YOU TODAY AND ALWAYS



Dear Santa

DEAR SANTA,
I told my mother what to write you, because I can't write yet, but I'll soon learn when I go to kindergarten.

I've been a pretty good little girl —most of the time —and I would like for you to bring me Baby Alive, a nurse kit and a Barbie Beauty Center. Just bring my little sister something to ride on

or climb on —she's a tomboy —and bring her a talking Baby Beans.
Thank you. I'll leave you something to eat. Don't forget all the other children of the world.
Love Kristy and Penni

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
My name is Tami Neff, and I have been a pretty good girl this year. Please bring me a rocking chair, a houseboat, and some surprises. Please leave a surprise in my stocking, too.
Please remember my cousins and all the other boys and girls. I promise to be a good girl, and I will be in my bed asleep when you come. I hope you and Mrs. Claus have a very merry Christmas.
I love you,
Tami Neff

DEAR SANTA,
I am a little girl four years old. For Christmas I would like to have a Baby Alive, a bed, high chair and clothes for her to wear. Also, I would like to have a toy horse with a saddle, blanket and bridle so I can play like I am saddling my big horse.
Bill and I did want you to bring us some new boots, but Bopa got us those early this year.
Please bring Bill a tape player for his room, a watch and a new football helmet. Also please remember my three cousins, Shonda, Linda and Ty. Remember all the other good little boys and girls everywhere.
Thanks for such a nice Christmas last year. I have tried to be good this year.
We will leave milk and cake for you.
Love,
Suzann Settle

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
Hi! How are you and Mrs. Santa Claus? Fine I hope. How are your reindeers doing?
Well, Santa, this year I want a doll stroller and a stuffed monkey. Please bring my brother a tractor and a hot wheels car.
Santa, we will leave the usual on the coffee table by the Christmas tree. Lots of love.
Love Venita Asebedo

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
Leave me a Johnny West and a combine. Leave Brian a Teddy Bear and a Weeble Airport. I've been good.
Love,
Brad West

Warmest Wishes



...to all our patrons, whom we have had the pleasure of serving throughout the year. May this joyous holiday season find you all in the best of spirits and all your wishes come true. Thank you for your continuing patronage.

NANCE'S FOOD STORE

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
How are you this year? I would like a velvet doll please. I would like some pants and shoes and some roller skates and a little miss Beauty Shop and a 7 up Machine and if you do not have these I do not mind.
Love,
Donna Lavy

DEAR SANTA,
I would like a combine and a road grader for Christmas.
Love,
Jamie Frizzell

DEAR SANTA,
My name is Mike and I am five years old. My little sister's name is Sonya and she is three. Please bring me a train set, a rifle, string truck. Please bring Sonya a doll with a bottle and a bicycle.
Mike and Sonya Carey

DEAR SANTA,
I am five years old and I have been a good boy this year. Please bring me a six-gun set, a Dallas Cowboy helmet, shoulder pads, football and sweatshirt. And I would like some little trucks and an airplane. Also, please bring me a new toy box to put all my new toys in.
Thank you.
Love,
Shane Tipton

DEAR SANTA,
I am two years old and I have been a pretty good boy this year. Please bring me a Dallas Cowboy helmet, shoulder pads, sweatshirt and a six-gun set so I can play with my brother, Shane. And I want some little trucks and an airplane, too.
Thank you.
Love,
Chad Tipton

DEAR SANTA,
I am a little boy two years old and I have tried to be good. So please bring me a big truck and an airplane. Also, please fill my stocking. Don't forget all the other boys and girls. Thank you.
Teddy Hubbard



SEASON'S BEST TO ALL

We wish you and your loved ones a very bright, festive and fun-filled holiday celebration! Greetings from

ARCHIE CASTLEBERRY

Merry Christmas

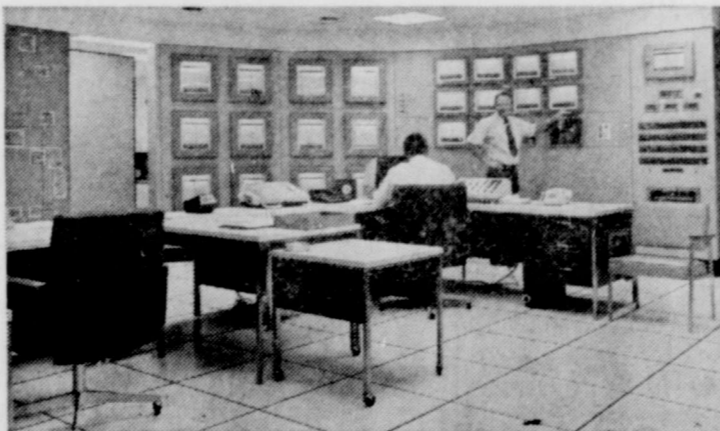


We're drumming up lots of good wishes for our wonderful friends this holiday season. We'd like to thank you for your loyal patronage through the year. Greetings from

BRISCOE COUNTY OFFICIALS

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| M. G. Moreland Judge | J. W. Lyon, Jr. Attorney |
| Vinson Smith Sheriff | Mildren Reid Treasurer |
| Arthur McJimsey Tax Assessor-Collector | Bertha Pavlicek County and District Clerk |

Reddy so you can enjoy Christmas...



This Christmas, as in the holiday seasons past, key people in our service area are working to make sure that you have the power you need for all your electric needs. The picture above is just one of the many areas where activity never ceases. Information from every corner of the area we serve is at the fingertips of the people who staff our control center.

When the call comes for more power — even on Christmas Day our people act instantaneously to be sure you get that power. From the colorful lights decorating your home to the roasting of your Christmas bird, you can rest assured that the electricity you need is there — and every kilowatt is 100% usable — because we're working...

Your Future is ELECTRIC





the animals in the stable talk as cathedral bells peal

Many years ago there existed a custom among the farm people on Christmas Eve to "light the animals to the stable."

The farmer would light two candles... one for himself and one for the shepherd boy assisting him. They held their flickering candles for a moment in the corners of the animals' stalls. Then each stood at one side of the doorway, while the animals were

herded in. The candles were snuffed out, and the animals were served double rations, for was it not their Christmas celebration, too? They had shared their shelter with Him that first wonderful night.

One Christmas Eve the farmer's family readied themselves for Mass at the great Cathedral as was their custom.

In the stable the well-fed

beasts drowsed contentedly. At midnight they were roused by the joyful pealing of the cathedral bells. As if by signal, the animals stirred themselves.

Flying to a high perch in the stalls the rooster stretched its neck and crowed: "Christ is born!"

"When?" croaked the raven, flapping its wings.

"This night," cawed the rook.

"Where?" asked the ox.



"Bethlehem," bleated the sheep.

"Let us go!" brayed the donkey.



With a buzzing of wings the bees flew out of the stable in swarms, singing a dissonant carol as they went.



And so, while the human beings sang praises to the newborn King of Kings in the Cathedral, the animals in their own simple way performed their acts of reverence. Some knelt in devotion.

In Palestine the church is gay with flags and decorations on Christmas Eve. A procession is heralded by a streaming banner held aloft by a flying horseman. Police mounted upon Arabian horses are followed by a single horseman standing upon a coal-black steed, carrying the Cross. At the end of the procession are church men and members of the government, in two-wheeled carriages bearing the effigy of the Holy Child. The procession enters a church, and winds its way down to a grotto where, marked by a silver star, is the site of the birth of Jesus. Here, too, is the site of the manger.

Merry Christmas Wonderful Time

With the simple but sincere greeting, "Merry Christmas", all the warmth and excitement of Christmas reaches its peak. Days and weeks of list-making, gift-shopping, home-decorating, party-planning are reaching a happy culmination when we start exchanging the greeting "MERRY CHRISTMAS!"

Every year, Christmas seems to generate more eager anticipation, here and everywhere, with earlier and more enthusiastic planning—approximately, for part of the spirit and joy of Christmas is in the planning. The spirit of Christmas starts with thoughtfulness. It begins in the hearts of each of us it grows with a hope, a wish, a prayer. Christmas is for rejoicing, Christmas is for giving, Christmas is for sharing.

Christmas is a spirit abounding in legend and lore, in customs and traditions honored through the years. And most of all, it is the spirit of reverence and joy that shepherds and wise men knew. To capture that spirit is to keep Christmas truly well, for it enriches all the things this wonderful season stands for.

patron saint of travelers

Modern-day man carries around today's counterparts of magic potions and signs used by his ancestor to dispel evil spirits.

One of the tokens many of us use is the Saint Christopher medal seen frequently hanging from the rear-view mirror in automobiles.

Who was this St. Christopher? His story is fascinating.

In 200 A.D. there was a powerful Arabian king, who had a son whom he named Offero, which means "the bearer."

His passion for proving his personal bravery caused him to leave home and seek the ultimate challenge.

One night he could hear a voice as if calling from the river:

"Offero! Offero! Help me!"

Seizing his staff, Offero ran toward the river bank. To his great surprise, there was a little boy. When the child saw the youth, he smiled, and to Offero there seemed to be a great light around him.

"Offero, will you carry me across the river?" asked the child.

Offero, thinking that the child had been separated from his parents, picked him up and started across the river with him.

But as he proceeded, the child seemed to become heavier and heavier, and the tide more fiercely strong. The waters almost

carried them away, but by dint of his staff Offero somehow managed to steady himself with his little burden and to reach the shore, exhausted, but safe.

He was falling asleep when as if from a great distance he heard the child's voice saying,

"I am the Christ. You have served me well, for you, Offero, carried Me, Who bears the burdens of the world, through these waters tonight. And I shall leave a sign so that you will know that it is so."

And miraculously, when Offero wakened, in the full blaze of noon, he saw that where his staff had lain, there now grew a lush, luxuriant palm tree with leaves, flowers and dates. And Offero knew that this was the sign for which he had been waiting. He had found Christ and he would serve Him forevermore.

And from then on, Offero was known as Christopher (Christ-Offero), meaning Bearer of Christ.



Selecting Right Toy Isn't Child's Play

Some psychologists insist that toys selected on the basis of a child's sex are harmful because they force social roles on the child.

Giving dolls to little girls and trucks to little boys isn't necessarily bad. However, parents should not be disturbed when their child shows interest in toys generally associated with the opposite sex.

Studies have shown that the girl who's a tomboy as a child usually turns out to be most feminine when she grows up.

One cardinal rule to keep in mind when shopping for children is: The ideal toy for any child is one that best suits his individual personality.



WHAT BETTER TIME TO WISH ALL OUR GOOD FRIENDS AND PATRONS THE HAPPIEST OF HOLIDAYS AND THE BEST OF EVERYTHING! A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Jack's PHARMACY
JACK ROBERTSON
Registered Pharmacist



Here's an old-fashioned wish that is still right for today: may the holiday season extend to you and your family every joy and blessing that is possible. We wish to thank you all for your patronage throughout the year...we look forward to serving you again in the future with pleasure. Have a very merry Christmas and a wonderful year to come!

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Christmas Blues

Not Everyone Can Be Jolly

Common symptoms of "Christmas Blues", according to psychiatrists and other mental health workers are "a feeling of irritation and depression that grows as the holiday approaches." The feeling becomes most intense a day or two after the holidays, when the person may be plunged into deep despair.

One explanation may be the sudden contrast between the good feelings of the season and one's real personal worries and miseries.

Other sources of the blues might be a feeling of isolation, because one is away from his family or has none. Then too, one might be forced to be with people he doesn't like - relatives for instance.

Gift-giving and money worries may cause irritation, or the general harassment of Christmas - shopping, mailing cards, visiting, putting up decorations - can drain a person's good spirits.

Keep in mind that many other people experience an unhappy Christmas - and they'll get over it too.

CHRISTMAS IS EASIER "IF"



You divide your shopping days into two days and two evenings per week. It will be less tiring and frustrating.

You Gift wrap as you go along rather than waiting until all your shopping is done.

You Include all the members of the family for decorating the house and yard. Easier for you and fun for all.

You Organize your gift list ahead of shopping and include everyone's clothing sizes, hobbies, sports, reading and other preferences.

Your card list is pruned before writing begins - there are always people on them who are really more than the ghosts of Christmases past.

Cooking is the final phase of Christmas before the fun of entertaining begins. Figure out what you can cook ahead of time to freeze: puddings, pies, sweet breads, appetizers and homemade fudge, among other things.

Plan out everything ahead of time and you'll be relaxed and ready for Christmas when it comes.

For Decorations

Inexpensive Paper Mache Objects

Paper mache is an inexpensive material that can be molded into wonderful shapes, and objects made from it are practically unbreakable.

To make paper mache, however, takes a little preparation. First you must soak newspaper or paper towelling in strips, not more than 3/4 of an inch wide, overnight in hot water. The next day squeeze the paper between your fingers until it is almost dry. Now add a paste which you make yourself: Add enough cold water to 1/2 cup flour to make a thin creamy mixture. Boil this mixture for 5 minutes over a low flame. Stir constantly. Allow the mixture to cool, then thin with cold water if necessary. For a pleasant fragrance and to prevent spoiling you can add oil of peppermint or oil of wintergreen.

Now you can add your paper strips which have been soaked overnight to the paste, and begin forming objects for the Christmas tree, for a centerpiece or decorations for other areas in your holiday house. Be sure the paper and the paste have been mixed until you have a heavy "dough".

A Favorite

"We Three Kings of Orient Are"

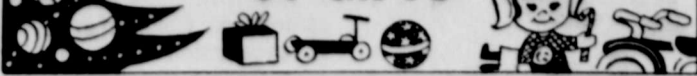
They laid their offerings at his feet;
The gold was their tribute to a King,
The frankincense, with its odor sweet,
Was for the priest, the Paraclete,
The myrrh for the body's burying.

from Longfellow's "The Three Kings"

One of the most highly cherished traditions connected with our Christmas celebration is the story of the coming of the Wise Men (Magi, or the Three Kings, as they are variously called) from the East to pay homage to the Infant Jesus in the manger at Bethlehem.

Thus, even in our modern world, we are thrilled to hear, or join with others in singing "We Three Kings Of Orient Are"; and this story inspires us each Christmas, like the Magi of old, to "follow the star" and pay homage to the Baby Jesus in the stable in far-off Palestine.

LEGENDS AND TRADITIONS OF GIFTS



Gifts in Sweden are exchanged on December 13th, The Feast Day of St. Lucia, a Sicilian maiden, who suffered martyrdom in the year 304. As she was noted for giving food and drink to the poor, it is customary on her day to perform such deeds as a memorial to her.

There are several beliefs and customs about Christmas gifts in Scandanavian countries. In Denmark, boys and girls believe that a small gnome, dressed in grey and wearing a pointed cap, is responsible. They call him "Jule-nissen."

Germans have always been generous in their giving at Christmas. They buy numerous presents; and the women often spend months making fine pieces of

needlework for their friends. Even very small children are encouraged to make simple gifts for their parents, brothers and sisters.

In Czechoslovakia, it is said, the youngsters believed the saint came down from heaven on a golden cord with a basket of presents for all good little boys and girls.

Since the spirit of generous giving fills the air at Christmas, in some lands, animals, too, are remembered. St. Francis of Assisi wanted all creation to share in Yuletide happiness, so he gave domestic animals an extra amount of food at this time. A Russian legend tells that at the night of Christ's birth barnyard animals and fowls spread the joyful tidings, or rather they helped to spread them.

ONCE AGAIN IT'S TIME
TO WISH YOU ALL A
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Briscoe County Sheriffs Dept.

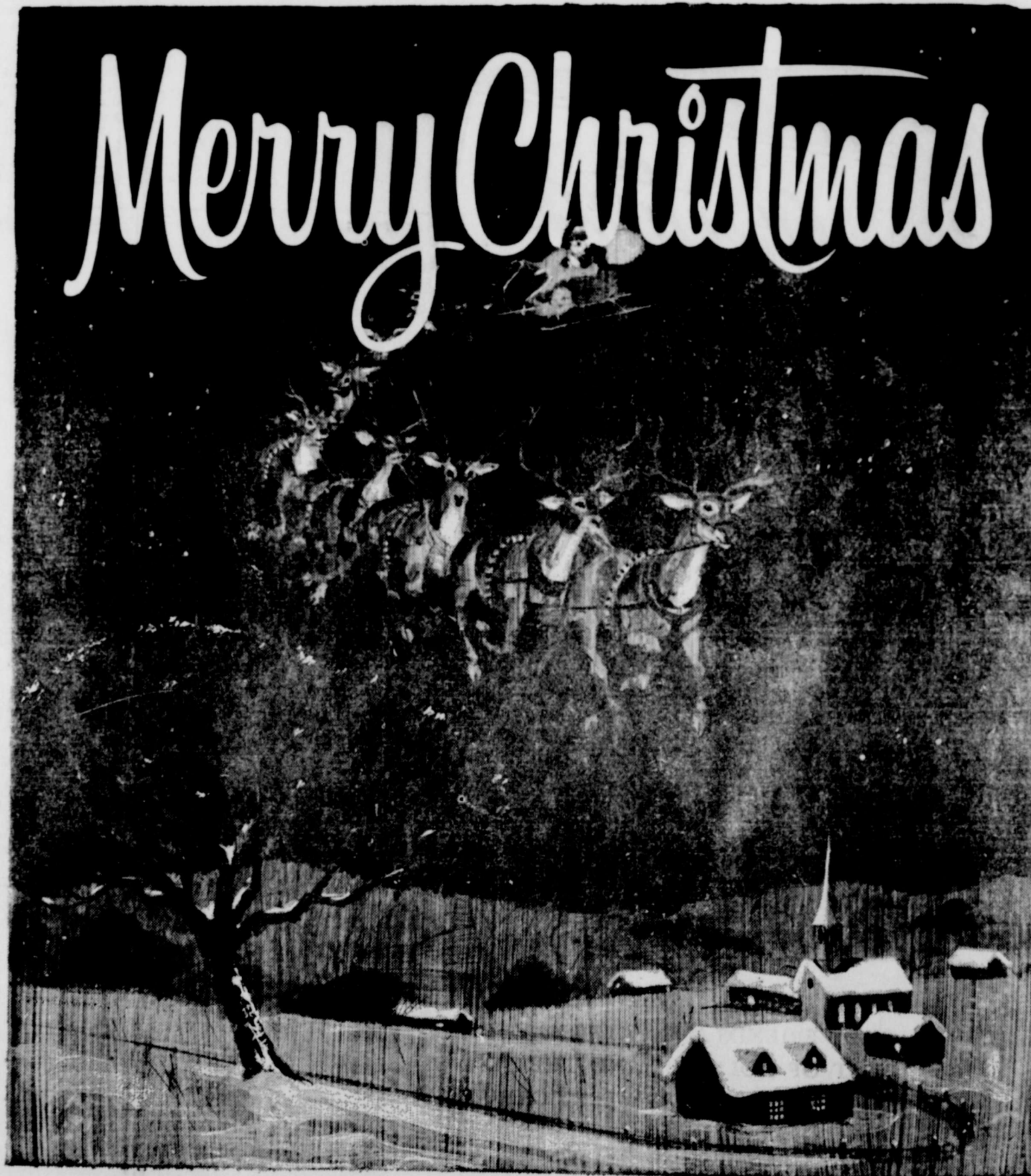
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We're happy that the season affords us a chance to say hello to all our friends...and to wish them a very merry Christmas!

JONES DEPT. STORE

Merry Christmas



One of the joys of the holiday season is remembering wonderful folks like you, our customers. It's always a pleasure to pause and wish you happiness and prosperity. Sincere holiday greetings from those who serve you at

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Joe Grabbe

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Blessings to All

Like the Wise Men of the Scriptures, let us follow the Star of Bethlehem, that our lives may be blessed by the Infant Jesus. We wish you and yours a happy Christmas season.

Bill and Mabel
Erwin and Dorothy
Don and Charlotte



May your happiness be so great that you treasure forever the many wondrous memories of this Christmas and all its joys.

SILVERTON AUTO PARTS

the creche is adored all over the world

Of all the traditional activities of Christmastime, none is more enjoyed than the preparation of the little Christmas crèche, the miniature Bethlehem stable.

Not only in the United States is this tradition honored . . . but all over the civilized world. From the Bethlehem "cave" of the Syrian youngsters to the Jeslicky in Czechoslovakia, to Mexico where the people are setting up their Posada, all are sharing in a ceremony of reverence and love.

In the crèche are all the Nativity figures: the Holy Mother, Mary; Joseph; the Wise Men; the shepherds and their flock . . . the cattle, the donkeys, the sheep, the lambs and all the creatures which inhabited the stable area . . . all gathered around the Baby in the manger.

Throughout most of Europe from earliest Christian times the custom of recreating the Nativity scene has spread. Often the figures were delicately carved of wood, precious to the owners and handed down from generation to generation. A tender link of devotion.



The first crèche, according to earliest records, was made in 1223. In Italy presepe is the name for the crèche. There have been many wonderful presepi. In Rome there is one in the Church of Ara Coeli containing a Bambino said to have been carved from an olive tree from the Mount of Olives.

The presepe which is considered the most famous Christian Crib in the world is also in Rome, housed in the Basilica of Saints Cosmas and Damian. The scene covers an area of 45 x 21 feet and shows the manger scene, the palace of Herod, and farmlands and villages in living, realistic panorama that actually reflect the customs of the 17th century. Hundreds of wooden figures have been hand-carved by famous artisans.

In Spanish, posada means an inn or lodging place, but it has come to mean more specifically the inn of the Nativity story.



Ideas For Your Outdoor Tree

It is not necessary to have an evergreen tree on your lawn to have an outdoor Christmas tree. Almost any small tree can be decorated to look pretty, even in the daytime. When decorating with lights, try using a two-color scheme with the lights, and your tree will stand out from others in the neighborhood. If you don't use lights, but do have trimmings, perhaps you can rig up a lighting arrangement to throw a spotlight on your tree. Heavy cord, double sockets, and a metal goose-neck lamp can turn your lawn into a stage.

Besides lights, other decorations can be hung from your outdoor tree. Silver foil ornaments or aluminum sheet cut-outs are pretty. Little twinkling stars and birds cut from blue aluminum sheet would be beautiful. White plastic balls studded with sequins, tacks, and other sparkle, help to brighten an outdoor tree.

A Christmas tree decorated especially for the birds can serve two purposes. It can serve as a helpful restaurant for the feathered friends, and as a different decoration for the humans. Gay red cranberries, white popcorn balls, both lend color, and with other things birds like to eat, attract them to their Christmas dinner. Suet strings, or suet cakes are a treat for them. For the cakes take suet or other fat and bird seed and mix the seeds in the melted fat. Breadcrusts, sunflower seed and nuts can also trim the tree.

An old recipe for "WASSAIL"

The Wassail or Warsail bowl is regarded as of such antiquity that it said to have been known by the ancient Britians. It has been a favorite Christmas beverage for centuries. An old recipe for "wassail" as it used to be made at Oxford is as follows:

Put into a bowl half a pint of sugar, pour on it half a pint of warm beer; grate a nutmeg and some ginger into it; add four glasses of sherry and five additional pints of beer; stir it well; sweeten it to your taste; let it stand covered up for two or three hours, then put three or four slices of bread cut thin and toasted brown into it, and it is fit for use. GOOD LUCK!

Lights In Window Comes from Ireland

The placing of lights in windows has become very popular in our holiday festivities. It originated from an Irish custom. The Irish place lighted candles in their windows on Christmas Eve as a guide and an invitation to all who, like Mary and Joseph on their first Christmas Eve, may be wandering about unable to find quarters for the night. In Ireland poor wanderers and tramps are welcomed everywhere. They are given a good meal, a place to sleep, and are sent on their way in the morning with a bit of money in their pockets.

Pomander Balls Easy-to-Make Gift

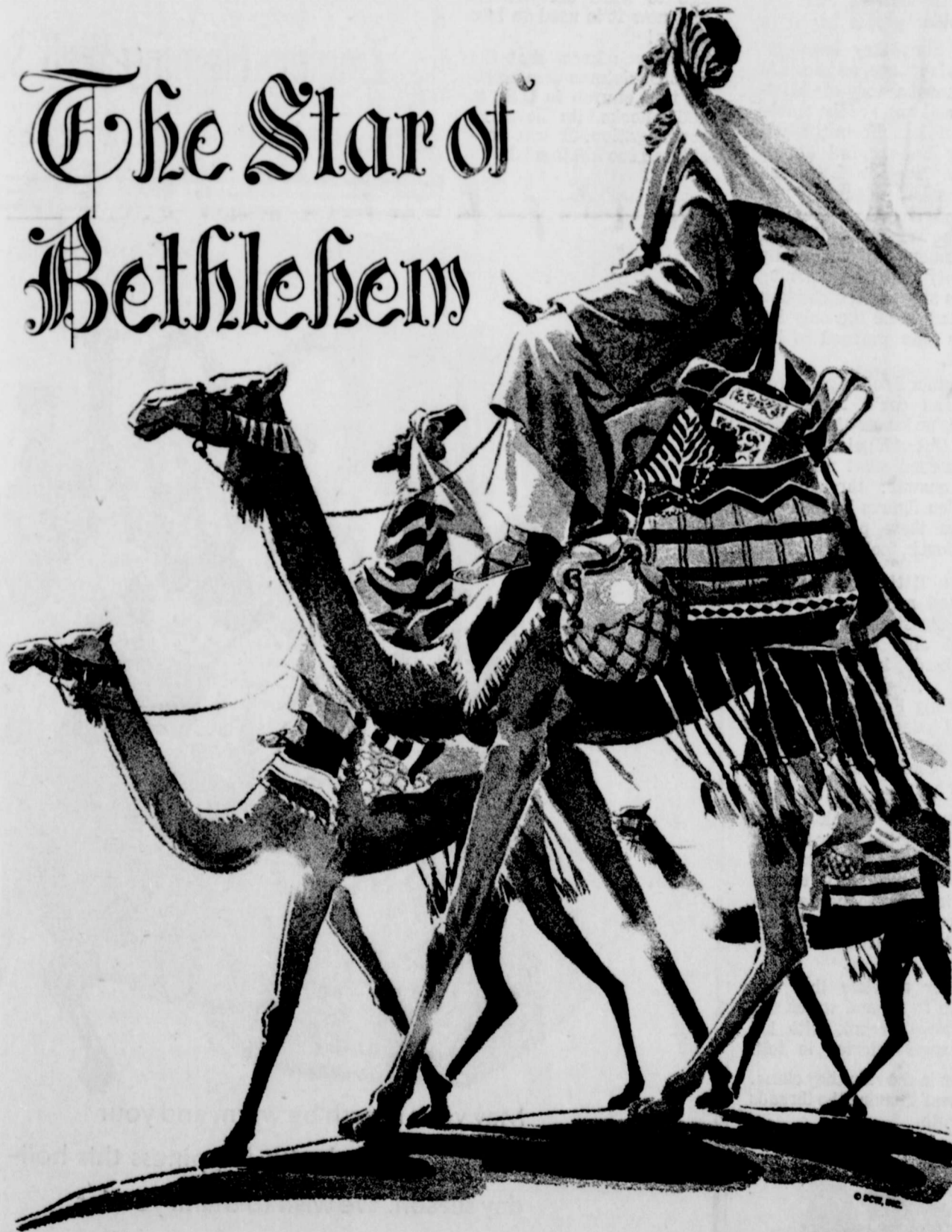
Pomander balls are easy-to-make gifts - and inexpensive too. Stick whole cloves into large, firm oranges until completely covered. Cloves may be inserted more easily if holes have been made with tines of a fork. Roll in a mixture of equal parts orris root (purchase in pharmacy) and ground cinnamon. Use about 1 1/2 tablespoons total for each orange. Wrap it in tissue. As pomander dries and shrinks, it develops its spicy fragrance. Remove tissue, shake off loose powder and pomander is ready for use. These are wonderful for closets and dresser drawers.



We want to take this opportunity to wish you and yours a Merry Christmas blessed with the joys of the Season.



The Star of Bethlehem



Like the Wise Men of old, let us bring our gifts before the Holy Child. May the star of that first Christmas night guide us all with its holy light to peace on earth.

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Silverton, Texas



Blessings to All

May all your hopes and dreams come true during this happy holiday season. You've helped make ours come true this year.

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An old Spanish Legend: San Froilan of the Wilderness

Many years ago a pilgrim monk, Brother Froilan, came to live in the wilderness. With him he brought an old rug for protection against the elements, some packets of healing herbs and seeds for growing. Around his waist hung his crucifix, and a short-bladed Damascus sword.

His neighbors were the remnants of the Germanic tribes, all pagans, believing in gods of wood, stone and sacrifice.

With one of the few gold pieces he had brought he purchased a small gray donkey, which became his companion and friend, as well as his beast of burden. This was his only friend among the hostile families nearby with whom he could not communicate by the spoken word.



Only the children treated him kindly. They loved to watch him sit by the fire, take his knife and carve some small animal which they knew — a goat, a calf, a sheep, even a wolf or fox, traditional enemies.

As the months went by, the older people began to trust him; they began to share language, and he read to them the story of Christmas and some of the teachings of Jesus from the breviary he carried at all times. Even in Latin the stories had a rhythm and cadence they could enjoy. But the monk knew that the tribesmen did not really identify with the meaning of his stories. The children seemed to be the only humans who warmed to his spirit.

Brother Froilan pondered how he could reach the minds and souls of the older folk. Out of a quiet mind he summoned what might be the answer: through the wooden figures he made — things these people could see, touch, feel.

The little animals he carved represented that first Christmas. Perhaps he could also carve angels, shepherds, kings from the East . . . perchance even the Holy Family! Then he could indeed bring a Christmas to his neighbors which they could truly take to their hearts.

Thus the monk began fashioning the other figures of the first Christmas, and he told the story to the children as he carved the figures. The children, delighted, shared their joy with their elders.

After a while they too came to sit and watch the "strange" monk with his "strange" stories to tell.

Even in the rain they came. He was weaving the threads of truth.



The children made a small spread for the tiny Jesus figure. The older people brought offerings of food to the monk for his evening meal.

Brother Froilan was deeply grateful to the heavenly Father for showing him a way to these people's hearts . . . and perhaps to a better way of life, through Christmas.



Did you know that the first Christmas stocking was first hung in either France or Belgium!

Did you know that mistletoe was used centuries ago to ward off witches and now it is used to lure a kiss!

Did you know that the first Christmas tree erected in a church in U.S., in 1851 shocked its Cleveland congregation. It was considered too heathenish!

Holiday Greetings



Just putting together the best of wishes for all our good friends. May this Yule season be a happy one for you and your loved ones. Thanks for your patronage.

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Christmas Joy



It's that time of the year again! May your home be filled with old-fashioned holiday cheer at Christmastime... and your hearts filled with the joy of greeting friends and being with loved ones. Best wishes from the folks at

VERLIN B. TOWE AGENCY



May your hearth be warm and your home filled with happiness this holiday season. We wish to thank you for your patronage during the year and look forward to serving you in the future.

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