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O'Brien Man, Three Haskell People Win Christmas Awards Saturday esday. Dec. 31. art at 1:30 p. m. Three Haskell people and an trade committee of the Cham-O'Brien man had a foretaste ber of Commerce. of Christmas when they receiv-

> Saturday afternoon Th awards, all paid in silver dollars, were given in the final of three Christmas drawings sponsored through the retail

> ed cash awards from Haskell

merchants amounting to \$200

breeders of be shown are: Post Office To Be Closed Christmas by Tom Campmway, Haskell— ene bred by Dr. lorman, and one mpson, Snyder. naway, Haskell— old Glory, and we Ranch of Ben-Day Only

Employees in the Haskell post office will only have a one-day respite from handling the heavy volume of Christmas mail, with the local office closing for a full holiday Christmas Day, then resuming the regu-lar schedule Friday, Dec. 26. "Despite the fact that most business concerns and offices will have a two-day holiday, the post office will only have Christmas Day off, and all reg-ular mail service will be re-sumed Friday," Postmaster Harold Spain said Monday.

Postmaster Spain, speaking for himself and all postal employees, expressed appreciation for the cooperation given by the public during the busy hol-iday season.

"People were extremely co-operative in mailing their Christmas cards and packages early," he stated. This made it possible to handle the heav-

have been lighter this year than heretofore, while the volume of parcels and package mail has been about the same as usual, but mailings were started earl-

mor Society, Owl Postmaster Spain also noted that malings of overseas Christmas packages were made carlier than usual this year, with most of this type of mail coming in well ahead of the

\$10 in silver was Mrs. Minnie Glover of Haskell. C. C. Childress of O'Brien received the second award, \$15 in silver dollars.

Winner of the first award,

A Haskell man, W. N. Viney, claimed the third award of the afternoon, \$25 in silver dol-The Jackpot award of \$150

was claimed by Willie John-son of Haskell, an employee of Smith-Toliver Motor Co. Committee from the Chamber of Commerce conducting the three drawings was composed of Tom Barfield, Roy

Johnson and Barney Frazier.

Police Provide **Prowling Peeper** Place In Pokey

A prowling Peeping Tom was nabbed quickly Sunday night, minutes after a young mother notified police that she had seen a prowler at a window of her home in the north part of Haskell.

Highway Patrolmen Arthur Mason and Tommy Wood and Deputy Sheriff Garth Garrett, investigating, took into custody a 22 year old Negro man they found lurking near the house.

The young woman had given officers a description of the prowler, noting particularly a peculiar style cap he was wear-

After the Negro's arrest, the woman identified him as the prowler she had seen. Preacher Freed prowler she had seen.

hardship, he explained.

Posthiaster S pain believes that Christmas card mailings

The Negro, James Earl Parks, was charged in Justice George W. Piland's court Monday, enfined \$25 and costs for a total of \$44.50.

He remained in county jail Monday night, in default of payment.

VISITORS FROM MIDLAND Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Waldrip of Midland were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Calloway Sunday night.

The local post of the American Legion, taking note of the calendar of business holidays adopted recently by directors of the Chamber of Commerce, of the Haskell Chamber of has gone on record in favor of continued observance of Veterans Day as a holiday. The date of Nov. 11 was not included as a business hoilday in the schedule adopted.

Action of the Legionnaires was taken at the regular meeting of Rogers-Cox Post No. 221 Thursday night, Dec. 18, Post Commander Brax Gilmore

At that meeting the following

Fireworks Ban To Be Enforced, Officer Warns

Chief of Police Tom Paul Barnett said Tuesday that numerous complaints had been received concerning the promiscous shooting of fireworks in the business section and residential areas of town.

The officer warned that a city ordinance prohibits shooting fireworks anywhere inside the city limits except on private property.

Violators of the ordinance can and will be prosecuted if the complaints continue, Chief Barnett warned.

He particularly warned against throwing lighted firecrackers from moving cars, es-pecially in the area of the hospital and the several convalescent homes in town.

"In addition to the discomfort and annoyance caused by exploding fireworks, they con-stitute a fire hazard which cannot be permitted," the officer

Bail Bond

Robert L. Dodson, Baptist preacher of Knox City, who was indicted by a Haskell grand jury Dec. 9 on a morals offense was released from jail Saturday after perfecting bond in the amount of \$10,000.

Dodson had been in county jail here since Nov. 29, date of the alleged offense, which involved a 13 year old girl.

Following his indictment by the grand jury, Dodson had remained in jail here until bond was perfected Saturday. Trial of the case has been set for Jan. 15 in 39th district

court here. Sureties on the \$10,000 bond were four prominent Knox City businessmen and farmers.

Mrs. W. O. Barton Of Tuscola Is **Buried Here**

Mrs. W. O. Barton, 57, of Tuscola, former resident of Haskell, died at 11:15 a. m. Saturday in Merkel following an illness of about two weeks. Funeral service for Mrs. Barton was held at 1 p. m. Sunday

in Tuscola, after which the body was brought to Haskell, where brief rites were held at the graveside in Willow Cem-etery. Local arrangements were under direction of Holden Funeral Home.

Mrs. Barton was born Stella Ketton Oct. 2, 1901 in Brown County. She moved to Taylor County in 1931 and married Barton in September of 1948 in Abilene.

Her husband was employed by the State Highway Department and worked both in Abilene and Tuscola. In 1951 the couple moved to Tuscola.

Mrs. Barton was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband; two daughters, Mrs. Joe Shelton of Abilene and Mrs. B. W. Goodson of Temple; two sons., W. E. Reeves and W. O. Reeves, both of Abilene; five step-daughters, Mrs. Allene Carrigan of California and Mrs. Irene White, Mrs. Francis Brown, Mrs. Joan Chealton and Mrs. S. E. Carmack, Odessa; Mrs. S. E. Carmack, Odessa; a step-son, Bill Barton Jr., of Roswell, N. M.; her father, S. E. Ketton of Buffalo Gap; three sisters, Lou Ketton and Mrs. Roy Bass, both of Buffalo Gap, and Mrs. Willie Fletcher and Chester Ketton, both of Post, Boyd of Odessa, Robert of Brownwood and Lester of Shallowater; one half-brother, Vic.

HERE FROM LUBBOCK Judge T. R. Odell of Lub-ock was a business visitor in

lowater; one half-brother, Vic

Weathers of Hermleigh; twelve grandchildren and six great-

grandchildren.

Commerce, in adopting a sche-dule of holidays, did not include Veterans Day (November 11th) as one of such holidays; and

"WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States has officially designated November 11th as a day to honor the vet-erans of great wars and to pay tribute to those who died that we might live in freedom; and "WHEREAS, Rogers-Cox Post

No. 221 of the American Legion has in the past observed Veterans Day as a holiday and has followed the practice of conducting a memorial service on that day, and believes that it is fitting and proper to pause one day each year to honor and give our thanks to those who gave their all for us; now therefore,

"BE IT RESOLVED by Rog-ers Cox Post No. 221 of the American Legion that this Post continue to observe Veterans Day (November 11th) as a holiday, and continue to hold a memorial service on that day for the purpose of paying homage to those who gave their lives in the defense of our America, and for the further purpose of honoring our Gold Star Mothers whose sons made the supreme sacrifice for their Country and ours.'

HERE FOR CHRISTMAS FROM NEW ORLEANS

Mr. and Mrs. Dave H. Persons will have as guests in their home during Christmas, their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Hunter and Margaret Sue, of New Orleans, by the faculty athletic council.

American Legion Pledges Continued Observance Of Veterans Day Holiday The local post of the American Legion, taking note of the lanimous vote of all war veter. Goodfellows to Distribute Christmas Baskets Dec. 24

Winners In Annual Christmas Home Lighting Contest Are Announced

Climaxing the annual resi-dential Christmas lighting contest, the Business and Pro-fessional Women's Club has announced the winners in each division, along with the prizes to be awarded each winner as designated by the out-of-town judges who viewed all official

Winners in all divisions were listed as follows:

Window Division First Place, "Texas Merry Xmas," 706 Ave. L. Mrs. R. W. Herren. Three-control heating pad given by West Texas Utilities Co.

Haskell, Stamford Players Letter At Baylor

In the group of 32 varsity football players awarded let-ters at Baylor University this season, Haskell, Stamford, and Seymour players were includ-

Robert Starr of Haskell and Royce West of Stamford were among the sophomores earning letters, while Arthur Beall of Seymour, a senior, received his third letter.

Starr is a quarterback, West is a tackle, and Beall is a halfback on the Baylor squad. The award was made by the daughters Shelley, Kathy and athletic director and approved

Town to Observe Two-Day Holiday

Almost every business con-cern in Haskell, with the possible exception of service establishments, will "close shop" for a two-day holiday Christmas Day and the following

day, Friday Dec. 26. Many retail stores plan to close early Wednesday evening as the climax to one of the busiest holiday shopping sea-sons in several years. The earlier closing on Christmas Eve will permit store owners and employees a little extra time to complete their plains for celebrating Christmas.

Haskell schools were dimissed Friday afternoon for a two weeks Christmas and New Year's holiday, with classwork to be resumed Monday, Jan. 5th.

Offices in the courthouse will close this afternoon (Tuesday)

Final Rites For Former Resident Held Tuesday

Funeral services for Clarence C. Shy of Wichita Falls, a former resident here, were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday in Holden Funeral Home Chapel, with the Rev. L. H. Hood, pastor of the Pleasant Valley Church officiating.

Burial was in Willow Cemetery with local arrangements under the direction of Holden Funeral Home.

Mr. Shy, 80, died Monday morning in a Wichita Falls hospital. He was a retired rural route mail carrier. He was born June 22, 1878 in

Georgia. He had lived in Wichita Falls for the past 45 years. The former postal employe had delivered mail on rural routes for many years prior to his retirement 10 years ago. His
wife, Leland, died Nov. 10 and
buried in Willow Cemetery.
frs. Shy is survived by a
broker, Edgar L. Shy, of
Wichita Falls; a sister, Mrs.
Lillian Bray of Albany: five

Lillian Bray of Albany; five nephews, and six nieces.

Free Press Will Publish Early For New Year's Next week's issue of The Fre

Next week's issue of The Free Press will be printed and mailed one day early because of the New Year's holiday which comes on Thursday, Jan. 1.

The post office will be closed on that date, and the day will also be observed as a business holiday in Haskell.

ing date, advertisers are requested to prepare their ad copy a day earlier. All news articles should also be submitted earlier to insure publication. Because of the earlier print

for the remainder of the week, with the exception of the offi-ces of the Sheriff's department and Highway Patrol.

Offices in the City Hall will observe the same holidays as retail stores, closing Thursday and Friday. Holidays this week will be

followed by another business holiday next week when stores will close in observance of New Year's Day Thursday, Jan. 1.

Many Stores To Be Closed Saturday

In addition to the two-day Christmas holiday (Dec. 25-26) which will be generally ob-served by Haskell business establishments, a number of retail stores and buiness concerns have announced they will also be closed Saturday.

The additional day will pive businessmen and their em-ployees a holiday from Thursday through Sunday.

A canvass made Monday by the Chamber of Commerce listed the following business concerns that will remain closed through Saturday, Dec. 27: Neely Dry Goods, Blohm's Studio, Cofield's Department Store, Fashion Fabrics, Hunter Men's Wear and Dry Cleaning, Biard's Cleaners, Service Cleaners, Helber's Jewelry, Lane-Felker, Fouts Dry Goods and Variety, Haskell Free Press, Personality Shoppe.

W. I. Cogggins Insurance, Re-ail Merchants Association, Fred Allen Shoe Shop, The Slipper Shoppe, Wix Currie Insurance Agency, Barfield-Turner Insurance Agency, Cahill-Duncan Agency, Brazelton Lumber Co., Spencer Lumber Co., Kennedy Lumber Co.

PARENTS OF SON

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace H. Cox Jr. are parents of a son, John Wallace, born at 1:12 a. m. Dec. 18 in the Haskell Hospital, weighing seven pounds, twelve ounces. Grandparents of the youngster are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Copenhaver of Bellflower, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace H. Cox Sr., of Haskell; and great-grandmothers are Mrs. Burwell Cox, Haskell and Mrs. S. A. Chambers of Abi-

SPENDING CHRISTMAS

Staff Sgt. and Mrs. J. W Merrell and two children o San Antonio are here to spend Christmas in the home of Mrs. Merrell's mother, Mrs. Mary Davis Brown and other rela-tives and friends.

Second, "The Littlest Angel," 1101 North Ave. F. Mrs. Pete Frierson, \$5.00 merchandise certificate from Frazier's Ra-

dio and Record Shop. Third, "Hello" Greeting, 1708 North Avenue F, Mrs. Byron Frazier. Picture frame from Blohm's Studio,

Doorway Division
First, "Holy Night," 1007
8th St., Mrs. Bill Holden. Electric iron given by West Texas Utilities Co. Second, "The Jolly Rein-

deer," 1407 Avenue H, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Dishongh. Rose bushes from Conner's Nursery. Third, "The Christmas Tree,"

304 Avenue D, Mrs. Woody Frazier. \$5.00 in merchandise from Sherman's. Yard Scene

First, "Santa and Reindeer," 807 Avenue F. Charles Swinson, Table lamp given by West Texas Utilities Co. Second, "The Carolers," 908

North 6th, Mrs. Woodley Da-

vis. \$10.00 lingerie certificate from Personality Shoppe. Third, "Tumbleweed Snow-man," 204 South Ave. G, Mrs. Don Nanny. Hostess set from Helber's Jewelry.

Outside Tree First, "Checking the List," 506 Avenue D, Becky Busby Table lamp given by West Texas Utilities Co.

Second, "Key and Lighted Shrubs," 306 South Avenue H, Betty Clanton, Milk glass foot-ed bowl given by Lyles Jew-

elry. Third, "Modernistic Trees, 1407 Avenue H, The Dishonghs. Towel set from Cofield's Dept.

Honorable mention goes to the following entrants who were close runners-up: Mrs. S. P. Kuenstler, Mrs. Melvin Nor-man, Mrs. Hill Oates, Mrs. W. A. Lyles, Mrs. James E. Crawford, Mrs. Tom Watson, Mrs. Roy Johnson, Mrs. Mark Hel-

The B&PW Club projects committee chairman, Leone Pearsey, expressed the club's appreciation to all who parti cipated in the effort to make this Haskell's brightest Christmas, and urges others to plan early for entering into next season's program. She also ex-pressed the club's appreciation to merchants for their cooperation in making the prizes

Judges in the contest were: Mrs. William Earles, Redondo Beach, Calif., Mrs. Carl Arbuckle, Fort Worth, Mrs. C. B. Potts, San Antonio, and Mrs. L. H. Castleberry, Tolleson, Ariz.

WILL SPEND CHRISTMAS IN NEW YORK

Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Berns and little son are spending the Christmas holidays in New York City with Mr. Berns' parents and other relatives.

ATTEND FUNERAL IN SAN ANGELO Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Mont-

gomery and Bud were in San Angelo Saturday, Dec. 20, to attend the funeral of Mrs. C. C. Townsend Sr., aunt of Mrs. Montgomery.

their round of visits Wednesday morning to distribute Christmas cheer to the needy families in

Haskell and vicinity.

Assisting the Goodfellows
will be members of the fire department, and there will likely be several from other organizations helping pack and deliver the baskets.

Every effort possible has been made to determine the names of all deserving families, and to make provisions for a Christmas basket for each of these family groups.

Also, where there are children in the homes, Goodfellows will try to leave toys or something special for the little

Churches and civic organizations of Haskell have been generous in their cooperation with the Goodfellows, and in addition to help given in making the Christmas baskets possible, have donated clothing and oth-

er articles to some of the more destitute families. Individuals also, have been liberal in supporting the Goodfellows Christmas program. In fact, their contributions have made the entire project possible, a spokesman for the organization said Tuesday, in

tabulating the gifts made to the Christmas program. The local Goodfellows organization had its beginning as a Lions Club-sponsored program, and Lions are still actively associated with the project and among its strongest supporters. However, all other civic groups and organizations. churches and individuals cooperate in underwriting the work

of the Good fellows. Gifts to the 1958 Goodfellows Christmas Fund include the

following: Previously
Acknowledged\$360.00
Christian Church ...\$25.00 Lions Toy Fuld....\$ 2.00 Jessie Vick\$10.00 Mr. W. E. Payne ... \$ 2.00 Harmony Club\$10.00 American Legion....\$25.00 Royce Adkins\$10.00 Dale Condron\$ 5.00 Haskell Courts\$10.00 Mildred Tonn\$ 5.00

W. R. and Ethnye Johnson\$10.00 Haskell Nat'l. Bank..\$25.00 Haskell IOOF

Lodge\$25.00 Annonymous \$ 5.00 Larry Waskom\$10.00 E. English\$ 1.00 Dr. J. F. Cadenhead \$ 5.00 Barney Swenson\$ 2.00 Mrs. W. A. Lyles...\$ 5.00 Debra and Denna

Rhoads\$ 5.00 Paul Rousseau\$ 2.00 First Baptist Church \$75.39 Paint Creek Power Plant Employees...\$30.00 Mrs. W. H. Pitman ..\$10.00 R. W. Turnbow\$ 5.00 Huey Bledsoe\$ 5.00

Present amount ...\$684.39 Traffic Toll Of 1,858 Recorded

Through the first ten months of 1958—January 1 through Oc-tober 31—1,858 Texans were killed in traffic, figures released by the Governor's Highway Safety Commission show. Also, during the 10 months period, 98,500 persons were injured in 243,000 crashes after

4,203,000 drivers had traveled

36 billion, 200 million miles.

School Officials Oppose Proposal Made By Statewide Committee Of 24

Opposition to a recommendation by the Statewide Committee of 24 in connection with the report of the Hale-Aikin Committee was expressed at a meeting here Friday, Dec. 19 of county school superinten-dents from the 23-county area of T.S.T.A. District VII.

The meeting was held in the office of Jessie Vick, County Superintendent of Schools. Presiding at the meeting was Mer-ick McGaughey of Benjamin, superintendent of Knox County, who is permanent chairman of the district organization. District secretary is Mrs. Jessie Thomas of Paducah, who serves the county schools of Cottle

One of the main subjects of discussion in the meeting was the final report of the Hale-Aikin Committee, recently released by the Texas Education Agency to be presented to the 56th Legislature. This report contains the recommendations resulting from the studies on resulting from the studies on Education in Texas made last spring by the 254 county committees of the state. Included in the report are certain other recommendations made by the state-wide committee of 24 but not originating from the county committees

The county superintendent in session noted that the proposal to have the county school office financed "by local sources" rather than from the State Available Fund, was not included in any one of the 254 county reports. Thus it seems to be only a proposal of some of the 24 members of the original committee, and could hardly be regarded as a proposal growing out of the re-commendations of the people.

Those interested in the small schools of the state see in this proposal a subtle threat to the small schools, because if the county should have to assume the financing of the county school office, and should de-cline to do so, the small schools would lose the services of the county office, and would be hard-put financially to provide for themselves the services now received from that office. Some view it as a subtle way of enforcing further conso

At the suggestion of Chive Pierce, Abilene, superintendent of Taylor County schools, McGaughey and Everett Beaver Jones County superintendent were named by the group trepresent the district organization in opposing this proposal.

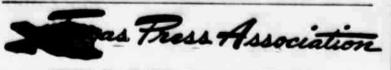
In his days shall the righteous flourish, and abundance of peace so long as the moon endureth. The kings of Tarshish and of the Isles shall bring presents the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts. He shall spare the poor and needy, and shall save the souls of the needy. His name shall endure for ever his name shall be continued as long as the sun, and men shall be blessed in him: all nations shall call him blessed. And blessed be his glorious name for even and let the whole earth be filled with his glory Amen, and Amen.

He shall judge thy people with righteousness, and

thy poor with judgment.

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Christmas . . . and Faith

This is the time of year when all the little ones are wishing that their dreams will come true. Dreams of toys piled beneath the Christmas tree. Dreams of happy laughter as the whole family gets up early to see what Santa has de-livered. You see, little ones have Faith that all this will happen.

For parents, there is the Faith that somehow they will this the most wonderful holiday the children have ever known. Not merely by showering upon them of gifts. Not alone by the glories of the shining tree. Not alone by the turkey and the mistletoe.

Not alone by any of these things—but by the recognition this that season is a noty season. Thinking parents will want the rapture of the Christmas Faith to remain brilliant throughout the year. These are the parents who have discovered that one holy hour a week can make seven happy days.

Now, while parents are so aware of the strength and the joy that comes through Faith, now is the time to resolve to keep that Faith "shined up" throughout the year. We can do this by worshipping regularly at the church of our choice. There we can find the strength for our lives. There the shining light of Faith, which now burns more brightly than at any other time of year, may be seen and may be captured for ourselves and for our children. Worship together this week—and every

What Do They Learn?

We hear a lot of discussion about the shortcomings of our educational system-our public schools and colleges. Apparently everything is taught but pride in our own country. Too many young people start life with the hazy idea

that there is something fundamentally wrong with our business and industrial system and that only government control or ownership of all phases of production and distribution can cure imperfections.

This thought seems to be borne out by the number of representatives in legislative halls, both state and national, who promote socialization of business and industry. Are such public officials a product of our educational system which gave them their understanding of the difference between free enterprise and socialism—the difference between a government where relatives in Tennessee. public officials are the servants of the people and one where it

Do we have too much teaching of social fads and theories at the expense of the principles and ideals of our original form of government?

Keep Cork in the Bottle

It's the season to be jolly, and nobody argues about that, but merriment at the holiday gathering that has its source in the bottle can set the stage for tragedy. Surveys show that a sizeable percentage of Christmas traffic accidents can be traced back to the party where the cork was too often out of the bottle, and at the close of merrymaking turns celebrants loose to find their way home when, in fact, they are in no condition to be on

All through the Christmas season, when in many parts of the country the weather is at its worst, the provocation to drink and drive is greater than at any other time during the year. If every driver would determine to skip the last one-forthe-road much highway tragedy would be prevented this holiday season. It would mean a Merry Christmas instead of irreparable loss and sorrow.



Here's Santa with a package of good wishes for your joyous Holiday Season!

BRAZELTON LUMBER CO.

JIM BYRD, Manager

Haskell County History PEOPLE, PLACES

20 Years Ago—Dec. 23, 1936 in a report that such was being Employment is being provided at the present time for 373 has since been taken up all men and women on WPA projects in Haskell County, according to Dan G. Cobb of Breckenridge, area engineer. Of the total number employed, 266 men are at work on WPA road projects in the county, and 107 | ing mill and a number of other women are employed in county sewing rooms and housekeep ly to the "tin bucket brigade." sewing rooms and housekeep-

ing aid projects.
Nine members of the HHS chapter, Future Farmers of America, have purchased registered Hampshire gilts. M. P. Vannoy, chapter advisor, states the chapter will form a Hampshire Swine Breeders Association, Chapter members cooperating in the swine purchas-were Carrol Bledsoe, John Milier, Frank Snellings, Bob Cousins, John Tinkle, Joe McGown, James Sloan, Jerry Carmichael and Paul Overby.

Due to to the fact that Christmas falls on Sunady this year, Haskell stores will be closed all day Monday, Dec. 26, to give the employees a Christ-

mas holiday.

A morning matinee will be given as a Christmas gift to the children of Haskell Saturday morning, Dec. 24 at the Texas Theatre.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown of Abilene are visiting her mother, Mrs. Angie Herren in this

Sgt. nd Mrs. Hugh Ratliff and daughter Ann, of Shreve-port, La., are in Haskell for the Christmas holidays. They are guests in the homes of Mrs. W. A. Kimbrough and Judge and Mrs. L. D. Ratliff.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Irby and baby from Rogers, N. M., spent several days this week with their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Ethel Irby of this city.

Students home from A&M College for the Christmas holidays are Jack, John, and Wallace Kimbrough, Eugene Frier-son, Clinton Herren and Moreland Glass.

Mrs. Harry Bradley of Monahans is here to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. M. E. Jones and other relatives.

40 Years Ago-Dec. 28, 1918 Everyone is looking forward to the time when the soldier boys will come marching home. They have sung the popular song, "We're Not Coming Back 'Till It's Over" and now that time is here, they are ready

have returned from a visit to G. H. Taylor and daughter. Miss Maggie, have returned

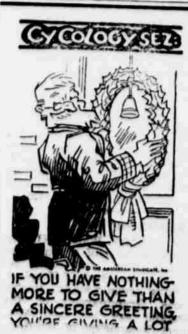
from Breckenridge. Mrs. Taylor remained there as she had lor remained there as she had son at this place, gave the not fully recovered from an at-States government in War Sav-

ings Stamps automatically become due for payment this month and the official proclamation by the Government calls for their prompt payment before Dec. 31.

Reginald Crabtree is spending a short furlough at his home in Sagerton, visiting his father who has been ill with pneumonia for several weeks. Reginald enlisted in the Navy at the time the United States entered the war, and has seen foreign service most of the time since enlisting. At present he is stationed at Key West, Fla.

Ross Kitchenloe of the Swenson Ranch was in the city Thursday and reported shipping 600 head of cattle to market from the Swenson Ranch

50 Years Ago-Dec. 26, 1908 W. T. McDaniel has ordered four 70-saw Pratt double ribbed stands for his gin here, which will enable him to gin cotton that is pulled in the boll. As long as five years ago Mr. McDaniel ginned 800 bales of bolls in one season, and is experienced in ginning cotton in the burr. The fact is, Mr. Mc-Daniel is the first man that ever demonstrated that cotton could be ginned. The Dallas News got hold of it by Mr McDaniel tthought it a slam on the county and would not own up to the fact that he originated the idea of ginning bolls. The News reporter sent



Our organization extends Holiday Greetings to all the folks of our commun-



over the South, With the advent of the Stamford and Northwestern Railway, it is practically certain that Stamford will secure a wholesale drug house, a plan-

An election was held in Seymour the first of the week to determine whether the city should have waterworks and sewerage, the proposition being voted upon separately and resulted: For waterworks 209, against 12; for sewerage 207, against 14.

The Kansas City, Mexico and Orient's steel railway is ready for the wheels that will carry men and merchandise from Wichita, Kans., to Sweetwater, Texas, a distance of 432 miles. The finish of the 2,200 foot bridge over the Pecos River Saturday closed the gap in the railway. Officers of the new road say through train service will be in operation after Jan-

60 Years Ago-Dec. 31, 1898 The little folks were enterained at P. M. Vinn's on Tuesday night, and on Wednesday night enjoyed themselves at the B. L. Flost home.

J. F. Jones announces that herealter he will run his gin and mill on the first and third W. H. Epley, having returned

from Arizona with his mind made up that Haskell County is good enough for him, has purchased the Howe farm in the Sand Hills.

Rufe Denson and Miss Ma-mie Davis, two highly respected young people of our county, celebrated Christmas Day by uniting in marriage, with the assistance of Rev. M. L. G R Davis sold 50 head of

cows this week to J. F. Albin at \$23, throwing in four or five young calves. J. E. Crisp has taken the

job as ranch boss on the Circle Ranch in King County on very favorable terms. We understand that Jud Rob-

ertson, who recently moved his cattle into this county from Baylor, has purchased the Dickenson residence in the north part of town. W. T Hudson, A. H. Tandy

for the homeward journey.

Mr. and Mrs. John Yates Dickenson made shipments of beef cattle to northern markets this week.

A telephone message from Nick Hudson at Woodward, I. To his brother, W. T. Hud son at this place, gave the shocking news that the Oklahoma man's little boy, Butler, whole deal had better respectively. All pledges to the United about six years old, was killed by a horse last Tuesday.

It is understood that Judge E. J. Hammer and Judge R. H. Looney have formed a partnership for the practice of law with offices in Colorado, Texas. Judge Hammer was recently defeated for re-election to the office of District Judge of this

LETTERS ... To The Editor

Thanks for being so prompt with my Haskell paper. I get it Saturday at noon, and read every line, even the ads. My renewal subscription is enclos-

It is like getting a long letter from friends. I love the people there, the county, the town, because I was born and reared there. There will never be any other place that will seem like home to me. But still, I have a nice home here and lots of friends and neighbors even though I have lived here only a short time. I think of all the

AND THINGS

By A. PATE

No season of the year awakfeeling of kinship toward all humanity as Christmas. It is not only a time of well wishing but of kindly doing, with a measure of sympathy that would turn no one away empty handed, that would withhold no tender greeting, no act of kindness, nor leave one word of love unspoken that might contribute to another's happi-

Nowhere in the world, we believe, will you find the spirit of Christmas more truly exemplified than right here at home in Haskell, among your friends and neighbors, in our churches and all other organizations. Because this is so, we'd like to send a "Merry, Merry Christmas' to all.

With special greetings to the clerks in the stores who can still smile after a tiresome day: to the ministers and the doctors, the teachers, the nurses and their helpers, the lawmen, the traffic cops, the

postmen, and the firemen. And extra special greetings to all our readers and our advertisers: to "Grandmother" Betts who will be receiving best wishes from five generations; to "Grandpa" Orr who can count nearly a Christmases, and to little John Wallace Cox on his first; to the Jesse B. Smith's for a lifetime of helping others; and the R. F. Pitman's for whom Christmas marks more than half century of wedded happiness together.

To each and all-not overlooking the boss and the swell group we work with-MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Somewhere in Haskell is a fellow who has the talent of a car toonist. Particularly in sketching copies of drawings and exaggerating features of some

unusually humorous picture. As a rule, talent should be encouraged, but in this case we're suggesting that this fellow had better maintain a strict cloak of anonymity from now on as the result of one of his recent "works of art."

His caricature of one of our best known and best-liked county officials mysteriously appeared recently, framed and hanging in a prominent place in the office of the afc esaid official in the courthouse.

No one, it seems has any idea where the sketch came main that way.

Haskell is fortunate in having always available a person for the role of Santa Claus who is ideally fitted for the char acterization in temperament and in deed.

He is J. M. Crawford, who

plays the role of Santa not only during the holiday season bu other times as well. He helps people because he likes people -especially young folks.

Crawford was Santa Claus in the big parade staged to mark the opening of the holiday season. At that time he distributed huge amounts of candy to little folks who thronged the He got such a big kick out of

it that he did it all over again last week-at his own expense. Friday, last day of school be-

good people there and what they did for me. Wish all of you could come to see me, and see what a nice home I have. My hope for each and every one of you is that you have a Merry Christmas

and Happy New Year. Mrs. R. L. Leclaire, 709 Georgia St., S. E. Albuquerque, N. M.



wishes received. And so, in all sincerity, we send to all our friends our best wishes for a cheerful Christmas and a joyous New Year.

JASON W. SMITH ABSTRACTER

Haskell, Texas

fore dismissing for the Christmas holidays, Crawford visited the schools and gave away a quantity of candy to the little

The colored school was included, none of the little folks were missed.

Then, Saturday afternoon, Crawford was in Santa togs again, passing out candy to youngsters on downtown streets and talking to them about their wants for Christmas.

Rough fish-carp, buffalo and and drum-are being netted and removed from Lake Stamford. They had become a menace to game fish in the lake and their removal was necessary to permit game fish to multiply.

The Stamford American, in reporting the project, explained that large nets with a mesh of three and one-half inches, are placed in the bottom of the lake, and the fish become entangled in the nets. The rough fish being removed average about six pounds, with one 15pounder being netted, the newspaper reported.

This will be good news to fishermen of this area who have found the lake one of the best fishing spots to be found

From the first year the lake was open to fishing, catches of the allowable limit have been the rule rather than the exception. Fact is, the number of game f sh taken from hundred the lake day after day has little John been almost beyond belief.

Removal of the rough fish will insure good fishing in the lake for years to come, specialists in the State game and fish department believe.

Planning a New Year's

With a little imagination and a lot of stamina you can ring in the New Year with more than one celebration.

In fact, you can keep on celebrating all through the year, just by switching calendars. The World Book Encyclopedia says most of the Christian world wipes the slate clean on

January 1st. But by trading in the Greg-orian calendar for the Julian calendar you can have another New Year's party on January

Take a few months to recover, and you can join the Iranian celebration on March 21st. If that doesn't wear you out, you can turn over a new leaf in autumn, when the Jews welcome the New Year.

If you want to cut dawn on travel time, you can continue and each group marks the beginning of the year on a dif-



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CARRIE McANULT District Clerk-Elect

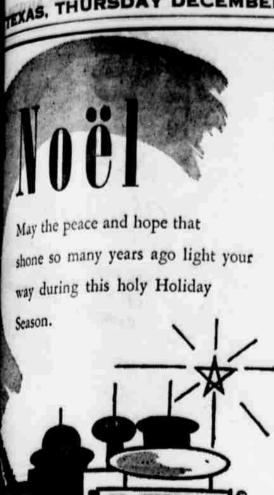


Edith and Neal Hudspeth

This is the time of year when our thoughts turn with warmth and grafitude to you, our many loyal friends and customers. To every one we wish a MERRY, MERRY, CHRISTMASI Americand America

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Many Fanciful Christmas Tree Legends Told

The trimmed Christmas tree as we know it today, is little more than a century and a half c.d. yet legends trace the orig in of the tree back to earlies

One legend concerns an early Christmas missionary, St. Wilfred, who once came upon band of Druids preparing to make a Fuman sacrifice under a large oak.

According to the story, St. Wilfred had the tree cut down and almost immediately fir tree sprang up in its place The missionary seized the evidence and made the fir tree a symbol of new faith and thereafter the Druids set this symbol of immortality in the halls of their lodges at Christmastime, surrounding it with

feasting and laughter and love. There is also the story of the Faithful Pine which sheltered the Holy Family during the flight to Egypt. With Herod's soldiers in pursuit, it was still necessary that Mary rest a while so they sought shelter in the low trunk of a huge fir tree. As the soldiers approached, the tree bent low its branches to conceal the huddled little group. When the danger had passed, the baby Jesus blessed the old tree. Today, if you cut a pine cone lengthwise at Christmastime, you can still see the imprint of His little

Another legend holds that the first Christmas tree was really an apple tree. And, although the fir tree has long since replaced its predecessor for Christmas use, the tinsel baubles we use on the tree are said representative of the fruit which for the early Christians symbolized the fall of man in the Garden of Eden and his reclamation by the birth of the Saviour.

Celebrations Of Christmas Vary Over The World

Although such things as family dinner and the custom of the dinners and the custom of Christmas observance almost everywhere this univesal holiday is celebrated differently

around the world. In the United States, course, we have the Christmas tree, holly and mistletoe, Santa Claus and Christmas cards.

In Italy the shepherds gather in villages on Christmas Eve to play musical instruments as townfolks sing sweet Nativity songs. And thousands come from all over the world to at-

St. Nicholas, forerunner of our Santa Claus, it was the custom in former years for the Dutch to celebrate for about a month St. Nick scattered his gifts about the floors of Dutch homes as early as December 6.

In Greece, decorated trees, greeting cards and the exchanging of gifts mark the observance of the holiday. New Year's Eve is the time for a really big celebration with dances and parties for both young and old.

In Mexico, during the nine days before Christmas, candlelight processions are formed nightly. Called 'lodging," this ritual reenacts the Holy Fam-ily's journey to Bethlehem and its difficulty in finding a place to stay. At a prearranged household, the marchers are barred first then admitted with rejoicing.

Books Make Ideal, Lasting Gifts For All Ages

When you start buying presents to fill the stockings belonging to younger children and relatives, don't overlook the versatility of books. Good books are a good buy, because they can be educational and appealing to children, and at the same time inexpensive to you. In selecting children's books, be sure the subject matter is both accurate and interesting

both accurate and interesting to the child and his particular

age.
Story books for the pre-school children should be realistic with colorful pictures and a simple narrative. Avoid fantastic stories and abstract pictures because pre-schoolers haven't yet separated the real from the unreal.
Color books are better for older children than for pre-school youngsters. Pre-schoolers

older children than for preschool youngsters. Pre-schoolers
cannot keep inside the lines
and may become discouraged.
The lines hamper their creativity. Give them instead blank
pieces of paper to color.

Information books having
large pictures, with details
about each picture, are good
for pre-schoolers, often giving
them ideas for play.

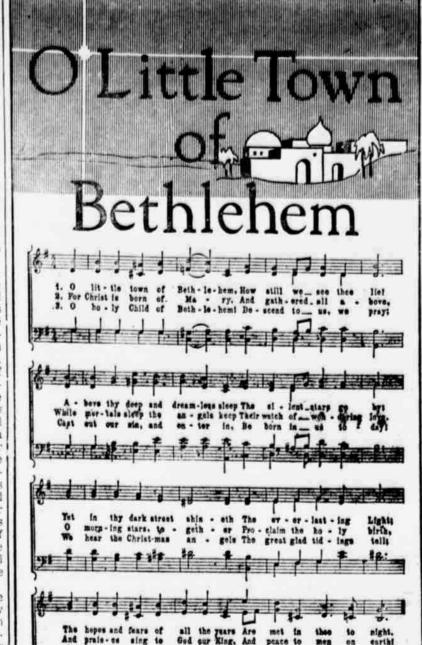
Books are appropriate Christmas gifts, are helpful to children and are easy on the pocketbook.

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PREPARED FOODS

The demand for commercially prepared foods has grown tremendously during recent years. Fifty years ago, for example, much of our bread was baked at home, but today 95 per cent of all bread eaten in America is made by bakers and sold in food stores.

North Dakota's lowest recorded temperature was 60 de-



Veteran Sam Rayburn To Begin 15th Year As Speaker Of House On Jan. 7

venes on January 7th, Sam Rayburn will take up the gavel he has wielded for a recordbreaking 15 years as speaker of the House of Representatives. The Texas Democrat has held

the post almost twice as long as any other speaker. But two Republicans gave the speakership the power that has caused some experts to rank it as second most important office in the nation.

Henry Clay was the first to turn the office to political advantage. The speaker was simply an impartial moderator before Clay's election in 1811. But, according to the World Entend Mass in St. Peter's in Cyclopedia, the "Great Compromiser" used the office to argue so forcefully for the War of 1812 that it was called "Mr. Clay's War.

However the speakership was transformed into a political

tool almost as powerful as the presidency by Thomas Reed and "Uncle Joe" Cannon.

In 1890 Reed cracked down on the delaying tactics of minerity groups by counting all

When the 86th Congress con-enes on January 7th, Sam duct business—even if they did not vote.

> The move earned Reed the nickname "Czar." but the Supreme Court later upheld the

Reed's methods were only the starting point for Joseph Cannon who ruled the House like a dictator in the early

Once, after putting a ques-tion for a voice vote, "Uncle declared, "The ayes make most noise but the nays

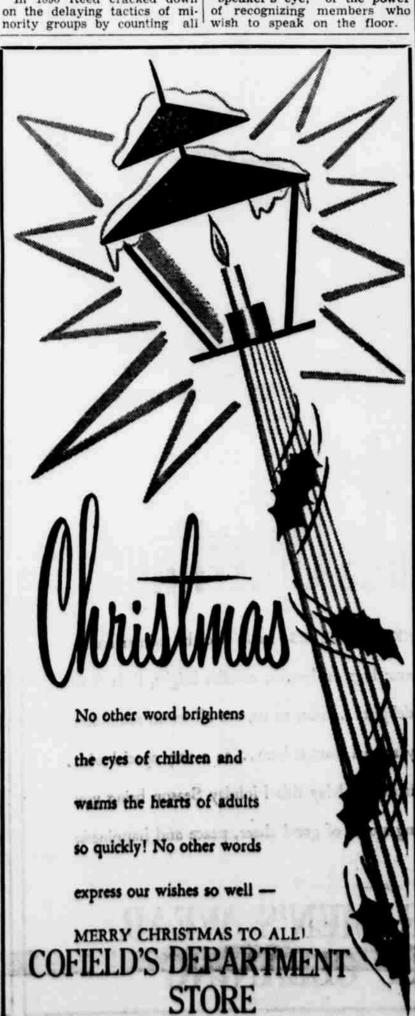
have it." Even some members of Cannon's party rebelled. In 1910, on St. Patrick's Day, a coali-tion of Democrats and about 30 Republicans set out to strip

Cannon of much of his power.

Because of the "St. Patrick's

Day Revolution," Sam Rayburn has little of the formal authority which Reed and Cannon delegated to themselves. He still has the important

"speaker's eye," or the power wish to speak on the floor.



Annual Harvest Of Trees Helpful To Forests

Don't feel disturbed or guilty about using evergreens for Christmas trees-there's more than enough to go around. Besides, to day most Christmas trees are harvested as a crop to insure more living room for regular plantings.

Also, many Christmas trees come from poorer forest soils and wet bog areas devoted exclusively to the growing of trees for the Christmas market In such areas evergreens grow far too slowly to produce a lumber or pulpwood crop-thus Christmas trees are the only profitable harvest to come off the land.

Another Christmas source is thinnings. Mother Nature seeds from 5,000 to 10,000 trees per acre. In today's growing trees as a crop opera-tion, frequent thinning is essential to allow trees room to live and grow. The thinnings can be sold as Christmas trees -and will fill a trio of needs: first, as a bringer of joy into the home; second, as an income source to the forester; third, as "life insurance" for upcoming timber crops.

Homemade Treats Make Excellent Holiday Gifts

The Christmas season is traditionally marked by tasty things to eat. And good foods made in your kitchen add a traditional note to the celebration. Such gifts say "Merry Christmas" with an especially warm and personal otuch. From a practical standpoint, they're easy on the pocketbook, too.

Many homemakers with a German heritage have treasured family recipes for beautiful marzipan candy and springerie cookies, for instance, that are perfect for sharing with friends at holiday time. Or, perhaps, your family has its own special recipe for famous English plum pudding, spiced gingerbread is undoubtedly a family favorite if you're of French descent.

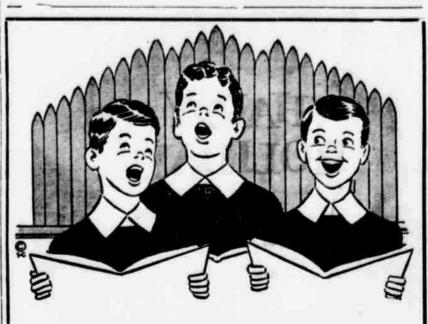
But, whether it's cookies, candy or jellies, homemade food gifts are easy to make and delightful to receive.

most of his strength comes from an informal source -the party discipline he can maintain as leader of the majority party in the House.



We wish you every joy and Hessing of this happy Christmas Season!

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Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus: I would like a football, offi-cial basketball, baseball, electric football game. Please see all the other children,

Sincerely, Walter Felker

Dear Santa: I am eleven years old. I live at 406 N. Ave. H. For Christmas I would like a Lindbergh Flying Saucer model, a "Walker Bulldog" army tank, a comet "Piper Tri-Pacer" and an invader combination gun.

Your pal, Mike Felker.

205 South Ave. C

Dear Santa: I want a baby doll and a rec ord player. I will have some cocoa or coffee-which one do you like best? I have asthma. My niece and nephew want a hobby horse and a car to ride in. Their names are Donnie and Beth Merrell, Thank you. Mary La Rue Brown. P. S. Don't forget my cousins in Amarillo, Joan and Penny Sparkman.

Hi! Santo:

My friends say that there is a Santo Claus but I don't be-

Last year my brother wrote him—you?—and asked him to come see us. Either there is no Santo Claus or he ran out of toys by the time he got to us. As a matter of fact—he didn't even come. We could have understood if he had come anyway and explained about him running out of toys, but he

So you see, I don't believe there is a Santo. If there is one then bring each of my seven brothers ond each of my four sisters and Mom and Dad a "little something." a "little something." Don't forget to bring Obsnobchuas something, because she is lone-

Janie Ozuna.

Haskell, Texas, Dec. 21, 1958 Dear Santa:

My name is Cathy Adkins. I will be six years old Tues-day and I live at 501 N. Ave. D. Haskell. I would like for you to bring me a filling station, a doctor bag, guns and holsters, a baking set and a doll. If you possibly could, would you please bring me a pony, also some candy and nuts. Remember all the other boys and girls.

I love you, Cathy Adkins.

Dear Santa:

For Christmas, my baby relatives and friends. Young off one berry for every kiss brother, one and one-half years Pace will return to his station His kisses stopped when the

SAY IT WITH SAVINGS BONDS, SANTA



Photo by Tony Venti

"Say it With Savings Bonds, Santa," seems to be what Polly Bergen, stage and screen, and television star, is telling Santa Claus as they cuddle under a holly wreath decorated with United States Savings Bonds. Santa might very well be telling Polly about the Treasury's new gift booklets of U. S. Savings Stamps now available at all post offices in \$2.50 and \$5.00 sizes. Both Polly and Santa agree that U. S. Savings Bonds and Savings Stamps make ideal gifts for all occasions. Miss Bergen may be seen regularly on CBS-TV "To Tell the Truth" and in a forthcoming Broadway play "Faster,

brother six years old wants a gun of Richard Boone, my other brother wants a suit of Richard Boone and a gun of him. I want a bicycle and record player.

Mary Rodriquez.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy 3 years old. I would like to have a covered wagon, stage coach, a train. and a station. I have been pretty good this year. Please fill my stocking with nuts, fruit, and candy. Don't forget my little brother, Randy. He is so little he can't talk yet but be sure to bring him some little baby toys for him to play with.

Ricky Phemister.

Mrs. Theodore Pace of Overton, Texas, accompanied by her son, Kemp Pace who is sta-tioned in Panama with U. S. armed forces, have returned to Overton after a week's visit

Legend Of The Mistletoe

The same mistletoe which makes boys and girls blush at Christmas had other meanings in other times.

Mistletoe, as one story goes, once was a full grown tree-Then its timber was cut for the cross on which Christ was cru- find an Evergreen in six states, cified. Since then, it has retrogressed to its present state as a parasite, a plant which grows on other trees.

Ancient Druids worshipped mistletoe because it grew on their sacred oak. At the end of every year a druid priest would cut down the mistletoe with a golden sickle, and not a twig was allowed to touch the earth. Later sprigs of mistletoe were often fastened over doorways to ward off evil spirts.

In Colonial days mistletoe here with Mrs. Pace's mother. was high and the lad who stole Mrs. W. D. Kemp and other a kiss had to reach up and puil relatives and friends. Young off one berry for every kiss.

Names Of Many Towns Reflect Christmas Idea

Scattered here and there about the United States are numerous towns and cities whose name reflects the Christmas idea in one way or anoth-

Best known, of course, are the towns of Santa Claus, Indiana. Bethlehem, Conn., and is reserved to the Indiana post offices each year handles floods of mail from senders wishing to brighten their packages with yuletide postmarks.

Indiana's Santa Claus is the only town with the exclusive rights to its Yuletide postmark although there is a Santa, Idaho. The privilege of the exclusive Santa Claus postmark is reserved to the Iniana post office by congressional act. There is only one Christmas, the one in Florida, although Maine boasts a Christmas Cove.

Bethlehem, Conn., has plenty of competition, lowever, as there are six other Bethlehems -in Indiana, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Maryland and New Hampshire.

There are two Noels, one in Virginia and another in Miss-

Looking elsewhere about the country, one can find numberless towns and cities with names which call up Biblical or holiday associations. There is an Advent, W. Va., for the Nativity. Kentucky has a Mary and Oregon and Utah a Joseph

One Wiseman is found in Arkansas and another in Alaska and it is reasonable to assume that another may be found in Wisemantown, Ky. In the spirit of the season, West Virginia contributes Goodwill; Missouri boasts of Peace Valley, and there is Joy in Illinois; Kentucky, Missouri and Texas. For the Christmas party, Turkey is available in four states, Cranberry in three. In the decorative theme, one can

The good judgment of some people will never wear out. They don't use it often enough

a Pine in seven, a Holly in

three. Trees in Louisiana and

finally, Mistletoe in Kentucky.

A great many men shiver in the cold just because they imagined they had the fire of genius.







eason's Greetings TINKLING BELLS, holly wreaths, winter scenes with evergreens; logs on hearth, candles bright, little faces beam delight ... these, to us, are all warm reminders that a very special time is here ... so a very special wish is due... May this Holiday Season being you abounding stores of good cheer, peace and happiness.

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As we come to this season of good will and joyous tidings, I wan pause to express my sincere thanks to those of you it has been my pl lege to serve as Commissioner of Prec. 4. Your cooperation and co dence has meant much to me and has helped me to more effecie discharge my duties.

I want to wish each of you and those who are not in my precin Merry Christmas and a peaceful and prosperous New Year.

FRANCIS BLAK







WEINERT

Christmas for Weinert W. M. S. Members of the Weinert Bap-tist Woman's Missionary Socity were guests in the home Mrs. Carter Tucker Monday, Dec. 18, for a Christmas

The hostess served steaming hot, red spiced punch from a white milk glass punch bowl. The bowl was based with evergreen and red Christmas balls, and rested on a white cutwork cloth over red.

The guests were served fol-lowing the monthly mission study program of the WMU. At that time the ladies were joined by the members of the girls Auxiliary and their mothers. Making up the guest list were Mmes. R. C. Liles, Bill King, Vern Derr, R. S. Sanders and

Janice, Otto Vaughn, R. H. Jones, Eddie Sanders, and Shirley, Willeford Dutton and Sandra, G. C. Newsom, J. W. Liles, C. F. Oman, Jay Cox and Jane, J. A. Mayfield and Evelyn, Hugh Miller, Wanda, Patsy and Tommy Miller, Leon Newton and Shares. Newton and Sherry, C. C. Childress and Linda Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Guess visited Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Mc-Kinney at Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene Thursday evening. The McKinney's daughter is a patient there and is seriously ill.

Rev. and Mrs. Carter Tucker and Paul will spend the Christmas holidays in Arkansas visiting relatives.

Baptist Church Services

Rev. Carter Tucker, pastor of Weinert Baptist Church has announced that Bill Guess will bring the morning message at the church Dec. 28 Walter Da-vis will bring the evening message and Tiffen Mayfield will make the announcements. Others participating in the service will be Elwood and Durwood Bruton, Patsy King James Hawkins and Truman Therwhanger.

Football Banquet

Held Tuesday Weinert football banquet was held Tuesday evening at the high school auditorium. Master of ceremonies was Danny Earle. Invocation was given by Supt. Douglas Myers. Welcome by Mrs. Gene Curd. Response was by Luther Rainey. Christmas caro's were sung by the pep squad. Mr. Cox and Saint Nick (Bobby Browning) presented the awards and the football jackets from under the Christmas tree. Mr Brown-

im was in Santo costume.

Jerry Waiker presented the football sweetheart, Erlinda Alexander. She was given a bouquet of red roses. Nell Rainey presented the football hero, David Boykin. The football boys sang "Let Me Call You Sweetheart," accompanied by Danny Earle at the piano. The speaker, Rev. Mart Har-

din, pastor of the O'Brien Bapist Church was introduced by Rev. Carter Tucker. Benediction was given by Da-

vid Phemister. The speakers table contained the trophy awarded for win-

white Christmas beils draped from the ceiling on strings of Christmas rope, the decorated tree and fire place with a Christmas card tree on the wall behind the mantle. The banquet tables were centered with greenery and fruit and nuts sprayed with blue and white glitter. Green and red lighted candles in crystal holdlighted candles in crystal holders were used. Favors were the place cards and handmade program with styrafoam San-

Team members present: Elmer Adams, Jimmy Alexander, David Boykin, Don Cunning-ham, David Earle, Chesley Forehand, Keith Hobbs, Jerry Joe Williamson.

Pep Squad members present: Linda York Adams, Erlinda Alexander, Jean Curd, Linda Dunnam, Sue Sanders, Bever-ly York, leaders; Sharon Cad-dell, Linda Cunningham, Gayle Davis, Mary Alice Davis, Yuvonne Hawkins, Louise Hix, Nell Rainey, Mary Nell Ray-nes, Patsy Raynes, Annette

Annual Workshop Held By Weinert Study Club Weinert Study Club met on Thursday in the home of Mrs. W. B. Guess for the annual workshop day, beginning at 10:30 a. m.

Mrs. Henry Vojkufka gave a devotional from Matthew, and directed the program, Roll call was I Remember My Favorite

An anthology of Christmas was given by grade school students. Terry Sanders gave "Cookie Tree," Larry Caddell, "Christmas Town," Jim Hackney, "Santa's Workshop."

Club members brought dolls and dressed them for a children's home. All toys were rejuvenated also. The gifts were taken to Hendrick Home for Children, Abilene.

A covered dish luncheon was served at noon.

The club will have the next meeting at a cafe in Haskell Jan. 1, when Dr. Sanders of Austin will speak on "Educa-tion." This will be a dinner, be-ginning at 6:00. Reservations are not limited to club members, and anyone wanting to hear Dr. Sanders will please contact Mrs. Phemister.
Attending the meeting Thurs-

day: Mmes, Elwood Hackney, Bobby Browning, J. E. Jetton, M. W. Phemister, Henry Voj-kufka, Alton Sanders, E. D. Earle, Floyd Patton. Guests: Angela Browning, Larry Caddell, Terry Sanders, Penny Patton, Sandra Dutton, Jim Hackney and John Walter Patton.

Gifts were exchanged by club members.

Christmas Dinner Party Weinert Matrons Club held their annual Christmas Dinner Party Thursday evening at the Community Center. Invocation was given by Douglas Myers. Gifts were exchanged and games of progressive 42 were played by the group. Attending the party were:

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Cass, Mr. and Mrs. Bill King, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Liles, Mr. and Mrs. W. Liles, Mr. and Mrs. R. Liles, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Mayfield, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Monke, Mr. and Mrs. P. F. ning regional champ title this Weinert, Mrs. G. C. Newsom, year, Other decorations were Mrs. R. J. Rainey, Mr. and

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa: I am a little girl seven years old. I've been pretty good this Phemister, Bill Rainey, Luther King, Wayne Offut, David Rainey, Bob Raynes, W. P. Swaner, Jerry Walker, Raymond Walker, Jimmy White, Los Williamson Walker, Jimmy White, and boys I would like some fruit and nuts, too.

Paula Mayfield.

Dear Santa: We have been pretty good boys this year and we were just wondering if you could bring us a pop gun, bowling set baseball glove and baseball. Don't forget our little brother, Terry. He is nine months old. Don't forget the other boys and girls either other boys and girls either. We'd also like some fruit and

Love, Gary and Frosty Mayfield.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am seven years old. would like for you to bring me a doll and buggy, and I also have a brother five years old and a four year old sister. Don't forget to bring them some toys.

Naomi Sanchez.



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I have long observed people who have the gift of inner peace, and have asked their secret,

Most often their answer is a reference to Christ's words, "Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you ... let not your heart be troubled?"

We find quiet peace in the fel-lowship of loved ones. Beautiful music brings peace to troubled minds and hearts. So does the beauty of nature, dew sparkling In the grass at dawn, or the silvery moon shining on rippling water at night.

But this peace which the world gives passes away, while the peace that HE gives abides forever.

> From the writings of Norman Vincent Peale

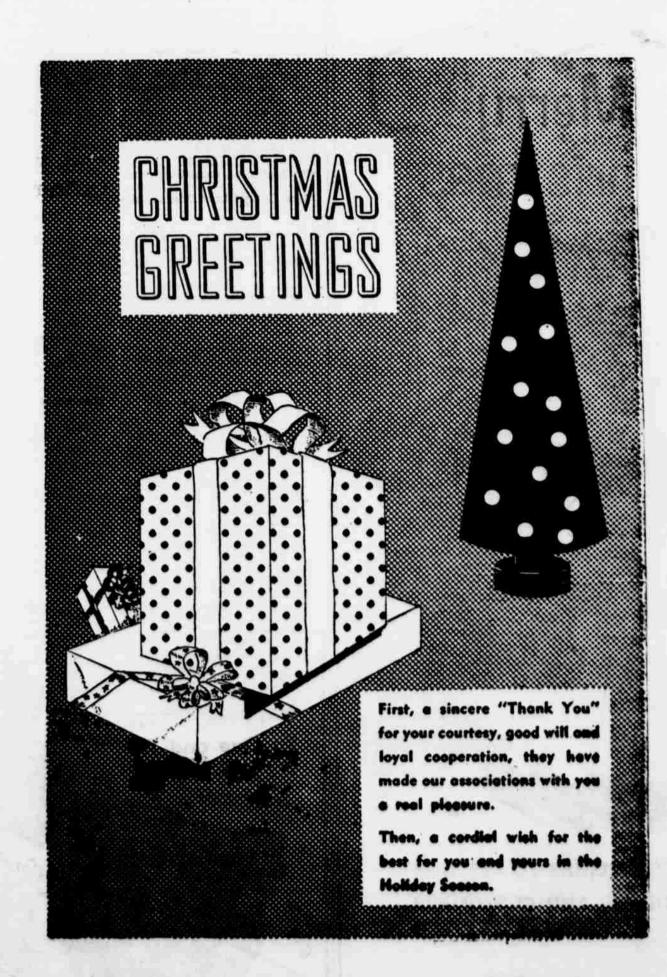
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Mrs. F. L. Peavy Hosts Party For Rainbow Club

Mrs. F. L. Peavy was host ess Dec 16 for the Rainbow Sewing Club's annual Christmas party. The Christmas tree and living room presented a beautiful appearance with Christmas decorations.

Mrs. W. E. Johnson opened the program with the ceremonial "Christmas Tree Lighting. Then the group sang "Joy to the World," followed by a reading, "Christmas Joy" by Mrs. Travis Smith, and a reading by Mrs. J. B. Edwards entitled "Baby Jesus."

A portrait of the Christ Child was portrayed by Mrs. Smith as Mary, Mrs. E. W. Andrews as Joseph, and Doylene New as the Angel, Background scriptural reading, Luke 2: was given by Mrs. Sallie Patterson, "The Shepherd and the Star" by Mrs. Clifford Thomas. Ann Taylor sang "White Christmas" as a solo.

A candlelight playlet was presented by Mrs. Jess Josselet, Mrs. Walter Rogers and Mrs. W. E. Johnson.

The group sang two songs, "Silent Night," then "When Santa Claus Comes to Town. after which Doylene New act ed as Santa Claus and each person received nice gifts. Mrs. Andrews received the hostess

Mesdames John Larned, Jess Josselet, Ann Taylor, Tony Patterson, Austin New, Travis Smith, Walter Rogers, Clifford Thomas, E. W. Andrews, W. E. Johnson, J. B. Edwards, and visitors Mesdames Jewel Turner, Annie Gordon, J. F. Peavy, John Pitman, Doylene New, and the hostess Mrs. F. L.

The next meeting of the club will be Jan. 6th with Mrs. Walter Rogers.

WEEKEND VISITORS IN HASKELL

Mr. a nd Mrs. Roy Davis and children, and Mrs. W. L. Davis and Terry Don of Morton. Texas, were weekend visitors in the home of Mrs. John Lackey of Haskell, Roy Davis is a grandson of Mrs. Lackey

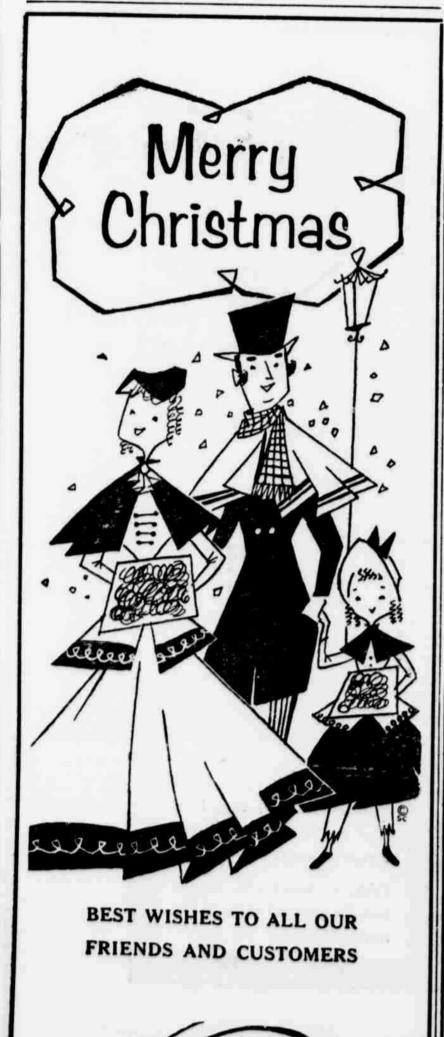
WHO MUST FILE INCOME TAX RETURN

Every citizen of the United States -whether adult or minor-who had \$600 or more gross income in 1958 must file - if 65 or over \$1200 or more.

We have forms that will help you make your summary and we are prepared to receive your summary and get your return out early before the January rush begins.

We will be glad to have you consult with us on your Income Tax problems, we believe we can be of material help to you. The Internal Revenue expects you to take every allowable deduction, and we see that you get it.

COURTNEY HUNT







Rites In Weinert Church of Christ Unite Louse Hix And Glenn Thompson

MRS. GLENN THOMPSON

Frank Thompson exchanged wedding vows Saturday evening Dec. 20, in the Weinert Church of Christ.

Clyde Walker, deacon in the Church of Christ, officiated for the double ring ceremony, as the couple stood beneath an arch of white sprayed foliage flanked by beauty baskets of red carnations.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Coyt L. Hix of Weinert and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Thompson of Snyder, Tex-

Preceding the ceremony quartet composed of Lou Underwood, Sue Lewis, Sharlyn Day and Joyce Denton sang 'Because," "I Love You Truand "Faithful and True."

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a dress of satin with an ballerina length, a fitted bodice with sabrina neckline and long, fitted sleeves coming to a point over the wrist. Her el-bow length veil of illusion fell from a bridal cap of irridescent sequins and seed pearls.
She carried a white orchid
with feathered carnations on a

Mrs. Leroy Hix of Odessa, sister-in-law of the bride, was matron of honor, and bridesmaids were Mrs. Martin Parks of Fluvanna, sister of the bridegroom, and Mrs. Jimmy Reeves of Abilene.

They were street length dresses of red satin, fashioned with pleated skirt, a fitted bodice with boat neck and elbow length sleeves, matching mitts and bandeaux. They carried colo-nial bouquets of white carna-

Donna Marie Parks of Fluvanna, niece of the bridegroom, was flower girl. She wore a red satin dress with pleated skirt and Peter Pan collar, with matching bandeaux and carried a basket of white car-

Lraryy Wayne Hix of Odessa, nephew of the bride, was ring bearer. He wore a dark suit and carried a pillow of white satin with the rings attached. Billy Jack Wilson of Snyder was best man, and Duard Campbell of Weinert and Carl Moeller of Haskell were grooms-

Eldon Amonett of Haskell mer residents here.

Stella Louise Hix and Glenn and Jimmy White of Weinert were ushers. Reception following the cere-

mony was held at the Weinert Community Center. The bride's table was covered with white net over white satin, flanked with beauty baskets of red carnations. Letha Carter registered guests in the bride's book and cake and punch was served by Linda Walker and Gayle Davis.

For a wedding trip to Fort Worth and Dallas, the bride chose a sheath dress of blue acrilan with matching jacket, and black accessories. wore a white orchid corsage.

The couple will be at home in Weinert after Dec. 29. The bride is a senior in Weinert High School where she is a member of FHA and is girls sports editor of the high

school annual. The bridegroom graduated oriental brocaded overskirt of from Snyder High School and attended Draughon's Business College. More recently he has been engaged in farming and ranching near Snyder.

Neighbors Hobby Club Elects New Officers

The Neighbors Hobby Club met Dec. 17 in the home of Mrs. Donna Thomas. Officers were elected for th

new year as follows: President, Donna Thomas; vice president, Julie Wallace; secretary and treasurer, Ivey Calloway; reporter, Opal Alsa-

The group sang Christmas hymns and exchanged gifts Refreshments of candy, cake and coffee were served to ten members. Those present were Mesdames Ruby Lee Brown, Ivey Calloway, Julia Wallace, Wanda Smith, Julie Wallace, Lillie Urban, Winnie Hughes

and the hostess. Donna Thom The next meeting will be Jan, 21 in the home of Mrs. Ivey Calloway.

Pansy Harris, Opal Alsabrook

VISIT IN TULIA

County Judge and Mrs. Alfred Turnbow were in Tulia. Texas, last week where they visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Estle Cilleland, for-



Sunshine Sewing Club Has Annual Christmas Party

The Sunshine Sewing Club met Thursday night, Dec. 18th in the fionic of Mrs. John Fouts for their Christmas

The house was gaily decorated for the Christmas holi days and featured a beautiful Christmas tree with gifts for each member.

The president, Wilma Brown, called the house to order. After a short business session the meeting was turned over to the recreation chairman, Several Christmas carols were sung, with Mrs. J. F. Cadenhead as pianist.

Mrs. Delia Ashley gave the levotional on the Birth of devotional on the Christ, followed with prayer. Mrs. Lula Smith gave a reading on "The True Sainthood," followed with a reading on "Christmas" by Mrs. Wilma Brown. Several musical numbers were played by Mrs. Cadenhead and enjoyed by all. A lovely hostess gift was pre-sented to Mrs. Georgia Mae Mmes. Ora McMillin and An-

nie Mae Houston acted as Santa Claus and presented each one present with a lovely gift. A refreshment plate of cherry nut cake, whipped cream and nuts was served to the following.

Mesdames Wilma Brown, Ora McMillin, Maudie Lee Jones, Delia Ashley, Thalia Jenkins, weight six pounds, Annie Mae Houston, Lucille ces. Born Dec. 19. McCurley, Clara Parks, Trudie Wheeler, Jewel Perdue, the Cadenhead

kell Hospital during the past week included:

Jimmy Don Brock, Haskell,

Mrs. D. T. Atchison, Haskell,

Miss Jeanie Strickland, Hasken, surgical.

Ales B Kupell, Sagerion, medical.

Glanche Long, Haskell, surgi-Aniceto Bicerra, Rochester,

medical. Jack Williams, Rule, medi

Mrs. A E. Kennedy, Del Rio, medical. Kenneth Dudensing, Stam-

ford, medical. Paul Wayne Christopher, Haskell, medical,

Dismissals

Mrs. Bill Pannell and baby girl, Haskell; Mrs. D. N. Foil Haskell; Bertha Lawson, Rule; Mrs. O. R. Kittley, Rule; Mrs. G. E. Daniels, Rule; Jesse D. Sparkman, Dallas; Mrs. A. M. Richards, Rule; Edd Thomas, Rochester; Mrs. Wallace H. Cox, Jr., and baby boy, Has-kell; Bill Wiseman, Haskell; Ralph Wheeler, Haskell; John Earp, Weinert; Mrs. W. A. Hatfield, Rochester; Carolyn Carlton, Stamford, Mary La Rue Brown, Haskell; Jerry Matthews, Haskell; Charlotte Goode, Rochester: Mary Alexander, Haskell.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Free of Goree, a boy, Willard Rock. weight seven pounds, 13 ounces. Born Dec. 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Pannell of Haskell, a girl, Kala Elaine, weight six pounds, seven oun-

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace H. Wheeler, Jewel Perdue, the Cox Jr., of Haskell, a boy, hostess, Georgia Mae Fouts John Wallace, weight seven and one guest, Mrs. J. F. pounds, 12 ounces. Born Dec.



MRS. FRED KUPATT

Miss Billie Hewett Becomes Bride Of Fred Kupatt In Stamford Rites

Billie Hewett, daughter of by the pastor, the Rev. Elmer Stamford, became the bride of Fred Kupatt, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Kupatt of Sagerton, Sunday evening.

The double ring ceremony was performed in the Christ Latheran Church of Stamford, Sprecher.

Sarah Shatto of Sagerton was soloist and Mrs. Robert Berry of Haskell, organist. Candles were lighted by Lanette Smith of Abilene and Carl Carlile. The bride, given in marriage by her father, was attended by



Hospital Votes Mrs. J. D. Kupatt as matron of honor. J. D. Kupatt, brother of the bridegroom, was best man, and Jana Kupatt, daughter of the J. D. Kupatts, was flower girl. Dale Curry of Mid. Kupatt, who farming in the munity, is a superscript of the munity, is a superscript.

land was ring bearer. Ushers were Kenneth Hew-

ett of Abilene, B. H. Spaw of Fort Stockton, Alton Spiser of Wichita Falls and Jesse Bohls of Pflugerville.

The bride wore a walt-length wedding gown of white satin with appliqued nylon tulke overdress. The neckitne, shorsleeves and overskirt were finished with scallops. Her fin gertip nylon tulle veil fell from a tiara of matching appliqued nylon tulie with seed pearls and she carried a showered white orchid on her Bible. Her matron of honor word

shell pink taffeta with American Beauty cummerbund and carried a cascade of pink glamellias. Miss Smith word Am erican Beauty taffeta with shell pink cummerbund and had pink carnation wristlet. A reception at the church fol

lowed the ceremony. In the houseparty were two sisters of the bridegroom, Mrs. B. H. Spaw of Fort Stockton and Mrs. Cy Curry of Midland Elizabeth Thornton, Faye Kel-ley, Bertha Nauert and Mrs. J. V. Weaver.

After the honeymoon trip to Mexico City, the couple will live in Stamford. The bride is a graduate of Stamford High success,

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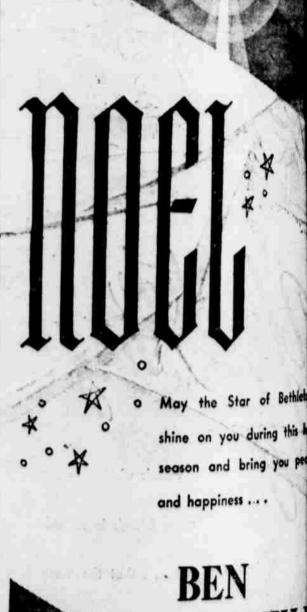
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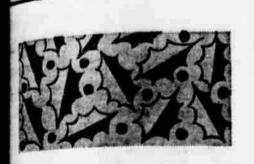


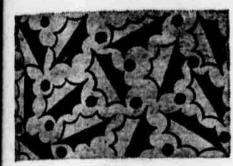


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Sagerton News

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Ulmer at Texas Lutheran College at and Jana spent last weekend in Turnersville with Mrs. Ulmother, Mrs. J. Pruitt, Mr. Ulmer and Jana attended the Stamford-Angleton game in Waco Saturday, Winston Ulmer, a student at Texas Tech in Lubbeck, were exchanged from the tree home for the holidays with his and pals revealed. parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bredthaner and family and Joy Nierdieck spent last weekend in Waco with Mr. and Mrs.

Rudolph Gaskamp. They also attended the football game. S-Sgt. and Mrs. Ted Terrell and son Clark Don, of San Antonio are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Reece Clark during

the holidays. Cliff and Delbert LeFevre went to Stephenville this week end to visit with Mr. LeFevre's brother Bob Bell, who is a patient in the Stephenville hospital. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Oscar LeFevre at Tolar, Texas.

Communion services will be held Christmas Day at St Paul's Lutheran Church at 10 a. m., and the Christmas Day service at the Zion Lutheran Church will be held at 8:30 a, m. and children's program

will be Christmas Eve. Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Stegemoeller left Monday for Fort Wayre, Ind., by train, where they will spend Christmas with their son, Harvey and his family. Harvey is a professor in the Lutheran college in Fort

Carl Kainer, student at Texas Tech in Lubbock, is home for the holidays with his pa-rents, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Bill Tabor is home from Tex-

as Tech with his mother, Mrs. John L. Brooks for the holi-

Margie Lehrmann, a student

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good boy this

Sure would be glad if you have a 26-inch Western Flyer bicycle left and you would drop it off at my place.

Also some nuts, candy, and fruit. Don't forget my Grandie and Grandad Freeman and Aunt Gene Freeman. Love. Jerry Lynn Freeman.

Nativity Theme Tops For Card llustrations

The Nativity theme is by far nost popular of all Christmas illustrations. Many are reproductions from the old masters, but each year others are created especially for the Christmas card industry.

Winter scenes are next in popularity. Some of these scenes date back to the work of early masters but in recent years many new artists, such as Grandma Moses, achieved fame in this field, For over a century, American artists have aided the industry by painting Christmas themes or by selling reproduction rights their works.

OUR WISH

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For Friends and

Patrons

As we approach this Christmas Season and survey the past year, we are indeed happy for the wonderful 'patronage we have enjoyed. We want you to know it has been a pleasure to serve you and want to wish for each of you

Merry Christmas

Happy New Year

We Will Be Looking Forward To Serving

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ROY and FLOYD COOK

and LESLIE JONES

Seguin, is visiting here with relatives during the holidays. Mrs. John Clark entertained the members of the Stitch and Chatter Club in her home Wednesday of last week at their annual Christmas party. Gifts

Emil Stremmel was released from the Hamlin Hospital last

Mrs. Dedmon, a former resident of this community, visit ed with Mrs. John Clark recently. She was on her way back to Louisiana to visit her son. She spends part of her time with her children in Colorado.

Norman Kelley of Idalou visited with Mr. and Mrs. Reece Clark and Mrs. John Clark and Whit one day last week.

VISIT IN STAMFORD

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Calloway of this city were visitors in the Fred Buerger home in Stamford Saturday night.

Ancients Credited Certain Powers To Yule Greenery

The holly and mistletoe used today for Christmas decorations found their way into early festivities because of certain virtues attributed to them by the ancients.

The Druids were the first to use mistletoe, which they call-ed "Healall." They believed the plant to have great curative powers and gradually assigned it to all manner of magic pow-

Each year, about the same time that we now celebrate Christmas, their priests would have high platforms built around the sacred oak trees, which in a manner of speaking, were "hosts' to the mistletoe. Robed in ceremonial vestments, the priests ascended these platforms ,and with golden sickles, cut away the mis-

The Saxons also prized it and it was they who gave to it the name of mistletoe.

Eventually the plant became to be known as a symbol of peace. Opposing warriors who met near it would call a truce and it was customary to hang it over entrance doors so that

those who entered would be assured of friendship.

Today, in both England and America, holly and mistletoe are associated with with Christmas as invariably as are the plum pudding and Christmas

ORIGIN OF "HELLO"

en spoken on the telephone is credited to the man who gave us the instrument. Thomas A. Edison, when once asked, "Are you ready to talk?", grabbed a receiver and shouted into the transmitter the historic first "Hello" has since "hello." followed the telephone into practically every civilied nation on the globe.

About 96 percent of the farms in the United States are family operated.

James Madison was the smallest U. S. president. He was five feet four and weighed less than 100 pounds.

Martha SS Class **Entertains With** Annual Social

The Martha Class of the First Baptist Church entertained their husbands with the annual Christmas social in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Frank Caden-

The class president, Mrs. Harold Yearwood, extended the season's greetings to all. Mrs. Edwin Jeter read the Christmas Story from Luke. Rev. M. D. Rexrode led the invocation. A buffet supper was served

after which members enjoyed

caroling and games of forty

Members attending were: Messrs, and Mmes. John Wallace, Harold Yearwood, Bob Dumas, R. A. Middleton, W. E. Huss, J. H. Jarrett, Tom Watson, C. A. Thomas, Fred Gilliam, Jo Williams, Dan Wester, Thurman Howeth, Buster Gholson, Bill Pogue, Royce Adkins, Albert Barnett, C. J. Burson Jr., John Miller, John Larned, J. I. Trussell, Borden Clifton, A. W. Tanner, Chester Ab-bott, M. D. Rexrode, and Mesdames I. N. Simmons, R. C.

George William Fouts. Haskell, Jones Singers To Meet

Couch Jr., and Edwin Jeter.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs

In Stamford Singers of Haskell and Jones Counties will meet at the Calvary Baptist Church in Stamford Sunday afternoon for the regular monthly program of singing, Sam White of Stamford has announced.

The program will get under way at 2 p. m., and is expected to be one of the best in several

All singers and music lovers are invited to attend.

Haskell Student At **H-SU Elected To** Sigma Tau Delta

Mrs. Nell Pogue, Hardin Simmons student from Haskell, has been admitted to the Ki Epsilon Chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, national English fraternity for English majors and

Requirements for admission into Sigma Tau Delta are: English major or minor; junior or senior standing; an all-over B average; and the writing of an original paper which is read before the group.

Water Helps Keep Indoor Tree Fresh And Fire Safe

Water is the key to keeping Christmas tree fresh after it has been brought indoors. Every indoor tree should be

anchored in a container that holds five or six inches of wat er. The butt of the tree first should be cut on a slant an inch above the end of the trunk.

Water should be added to the container every day to replace that taken up by the tree or lost by evaporation. Ample water makes a tree less in flammable and gives it a bet-

Any Christmas greenery will stay fresher if sprinkled with

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November Bond Sales In County Total \$23,467

of Haskell County bought \$24, 467 in Series E and H Savings

This announcement was made Monday by J. M. Crawford, chairman of Haskell County's

Savings Bonds Committee. "Sales for the first eleven months of this year totaled \$278,369, Chairman Crawford reported. "We have now achiev-

ed 88.6 per cent of our 1958

goal of \$314,000." Sales in Texas during the first eleven months of 1958 were \$157,642,990 which represents 90 per cent of the 1958 goal of \$175,000,000.

"For this Christmas, more than ever, people need to give the gift of peace—U. S. Savings Bonds. It's a present with a future; and for the New Year to keep our country strong and free and at peace with the world; to build for all the tomorrows, a land of which we will be continually proud; to provide security for the generations to come in the manner such as we have known, and above all-to keep the precious liberties and freedoms that are a part of our heritage," Crawford concluded.

Wife And Children Will Join Husband In Germany

Mrs. Larry Cornelson and children, Kathy, age 8, and Douglas, age 6, will leave Dec. 27 for Germany to join T-Sgt. Cornelson, who is with the 690st. Special Communication Group, near Zweibrucken, Germany.

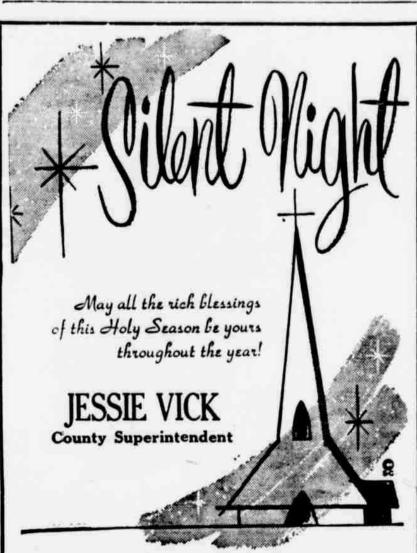
T-Sgt. Cornelson has been in Germany since September, and Mrs. Cornelson and children have been living with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. August Balzer in Sagerton, waiting for their time to go to Germany. They will leave Abilene by train and go to McGuire Air Force Base in New Jersey and from there they will fly to Frankfort, Germany.. T-Sgt. Cornelson will meet them there with their car, which was shipped over in September, and they will go to Zweibrucken to live. They expect to reach Germany Jan. 1, and they will live there for three years.

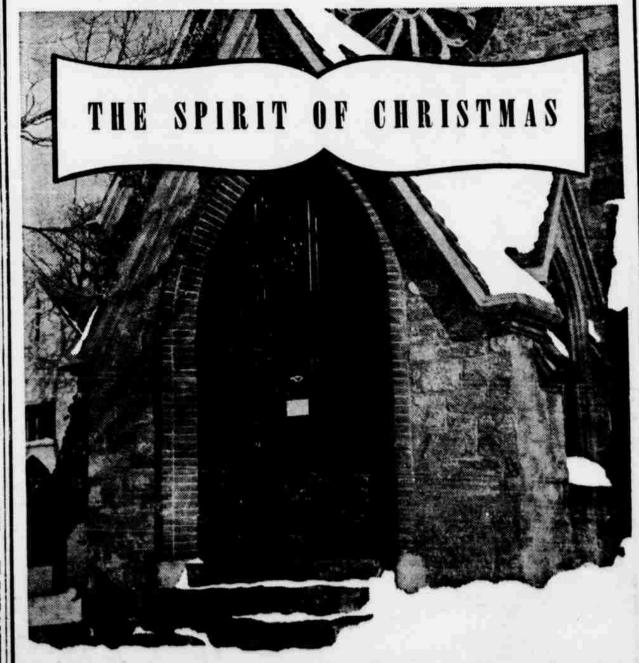
Kathy and Douglas, who have been attending school at Sagerton, where Douglas is in the first grade, and Kathy is in the third, were given a farewell party at school Dec. 19. They will attend school on the Air Base in Germany.

The Indians of western Guatemala speak 20 languages and more than 100 dialects.



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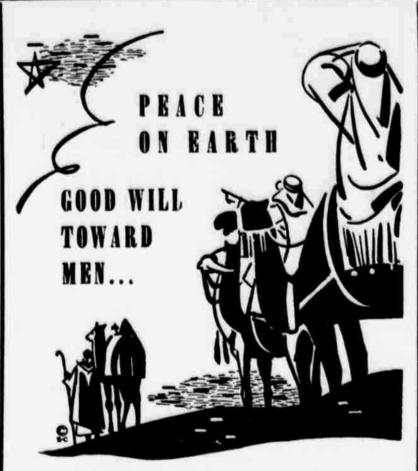




With reverent hearts we pay tribute to Him on this Christmas and hope that His teachings of Peace on Earth and Good Will to Men will find expression throughout the world. May your family enjoy the many rich blessings of Christmas!

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BY VERN SANDFORD

Down in the South Texas brush country, and ranging over into Southwest Texas, New Mexico annd Arizona, roams the javelina. It's known as the collared peccary. This interesting little animal is gaining fast in popularity.

Once near extinction, due to rapacious hide hunters, who killed them by the thousands for his fine glove-leather skin, the javelina (pronounced "hav-elina," or "haveleen" down Mejico way) has staged a comeback since the Texas Game & Fish Commission slapped stringent laws on the sale of javelina hides.

Now this little pig roams the Texas dry country by the thous-

ands, providing sport that is unusual and exciting for those hunters who are enterprising

enough to go after him.
Seldom weighing more than
50 pounds, this exotic animal is a paradoxical bundle of bris-

The danger in hunting this pig is cornering a herd, which might stampede your way. This possible hazard adds to the spice of javelina hunting.
Arizona and New Mexico

have stern laws to protect their slim javelina populations. There's a one-month open season and one per hunter pos-session limit in Arizona, a n d closed season in New Mexico. Texas with its vast herds has mixed laws. The general law sets November 16 to Decem-

ber 31 as open season, and,

allows but two kills per man. But there are a number of counties where the pig is so plentiful that he has become a nuisance to the rancher. Here there is no closed season nor bag limit. These counties are: Frio, Jim Hogg, Kinney, La Salle, Maverick, McMullin, Starr, Uvalde, Val Verde, and

The sale of javelinas and their hides, however, is pro-hibited everywhere in the state. If you intend going into the brush after this unusual animal, it would be a good idea to learn a few facts about his habits, and how best to find

Javelinas feed on various forms of vegetation and nuts, such as acorns and mesquite beans, but their favorite food is cactus. In javelina territory, vast areas of cactus clumps can be found almost completedevoured.

The javelina easily can be detected from a distance by his rank, musky odor. He can be trailed by his "sign," such as the little cloven hoof prints, droppings, and chewed cactus

As the hunter approaches, if he has trod lightly and kept himself hidden, often he can hear the grunting, squealing, and chomping of a javelina herd before he sees it.

Here is where the hunter must be careful. He'd better be certain he hasn't boxed the herd in a canyon or a draw from which there is no exit Otherwise he may find him-self in very unpleasant situ-

Once the javelinas detect the presence of a hunter, the pigs are going to leave, one way or another. If possible, they will disappear in the brush, but if they have only one exit they will take it, hunter or no hunt- one died needlessly.

There are two ways of hunting javelinas. One, is the quiet and careful stalk, A patient wait alongside the pig trail. This is rewarding to the sportsman who enjoys outwitting the

sly and elusive animal. The javelina is equipped with perfect camouflage. Unless the hunter knows just what he is looking for, he may be close to a herd and never know it. Often the pigs will freeze in silence at a man's approach. So well do their salt and pepper bristles blend with their background that they are practically invisible.

If this method of taking your pigs appeals to you, we suggest that you keep your eyes, ears and nose alert-Watch the ground for "sign." Watch the brush for any slight move, or the outline of a stationary pig. And constantly sniff the air for that betraying musk oder that hangs in the air for yards in every direct-

in for yards in every direction around a feeding herd.

Should you crave fast and furious excitement, hunt javelinas with dogs. Here is where the little pig displays his fighting heart. He hates dogs on principle. He will meet them principle. He will meet them head-on, clacking his teeth and slashing his wicked tusks from right to left., Once aroused he won't hesitate to include you on his hate list, and will at-

Never is the javelina taken girls. Your little friend, by dogs without a knock-down, slash-up fight. So, if you are after excitement, blood and gore, by all means use dogs. However, purists consider the use of dogs cruel and unsport-

Once you have your pig, treat the carcass as you would a deer, except that you must remove the musk sac-that nipple-like protrusion lying just north of the tail near the backbone. Otherwise the meat will be strong and unpalatable.

There are sportsmen who hunt javelinas with a .22 rifle. is not wise. In the first This place, you will cripple more than you kill. Most important to you, perhaps is the danger that the wounded pig will squeal his rage and trigger off an attack by the balance of the herd.

Best gun to use is a carbine It's a great gun for the brush country—easy to handle at close quarters. Either a 30-30 or a .32 caliber will do. Heavier guns such as the 30-06, or even the 30-40 are sometimes used. Shotguns loaded with buckshot, will kill the little pigs. But sportsmen don't consider the shotgun quite the gun

If you want some exciting and interesting shooting in South Texas arrange with a rancher to let you hunt javelinas on his place.

More than likely you will bring back a couple of impressive tusked heads to hang on the wall in your trophy room, and a freezer full of tasty pork to barbecue for your friends.

TRAFFIC TOLL HEAVY

Texas traffic killed 218 persons during December, 1957, but 103 died during the 11-day Christmas-New Year's holiday period. This was the smallest number killed in any December for nine years, but every



Letters To Santa Claus

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Dear Santa: We are two little girls that have been very good - we think. We hope you will bring each of us a baby doll with curly hair and a set of dishes. Our little brother, Gregory, would like a plastic train and a color charging top. Places por color changing top. Please re-member all the little boys and girls everywhere.

Love, Diane and Helen Myers.

Rt. 1, Box 54 Knox City, Texas

Dear Santa: I am a little girl seven years old and in the first grade. Please bring me a bride doll, bicycle, sewing machine and a blackboard that goes on the wall. Don't forget the other boys and girls, and my dog and cat. Santa, have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year Love,

Brenda Alexander.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl five years old. I will go to school next year. Please bring me a bride doll, bicycle, sewing machine and everything else. Don't forget the other girls and boys. And my cat and dog. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Love, Judy Alexander.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been trying to be good girl this year. I would like a baby doll and a teaset I also want some pretty clothes. Well, I hope you don't for-get the other little boys and

Dorethy Ellen Freeby.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a big girl eight years old and I would like for you to come to see me Christmas. I would like a doll with hose and high heels, stuffed dog (a big one), diamond ring, some games, fruit, and nuts. I am very good and I help with the housework and gather the eggs. Love.

Barbara Foster.

Dear San I am a boy a grears old and I am a boy to come I would like fo. to come and see me Christma I want a gun, watch, football admet and shoulder pads, games, and fruit and nuts. I help my daddy with the farm work. Love.

Randy Foster.

Dear Santa Claus: bring me a big tractor, a rock- other than English.

ing chair, and a pair of boots. My little sister is one and onehalf years old and would like a doll and buggy, a black-board set, and a rocking chair. Thank you, Santa.

Steven and Gina Grand Haskell, Texas.

Scientific translators have We have been a pretty good little boy and girl this year. I am two and one-half years ooo scientific articles are published as the property of old and would like for you to ished each year in languages

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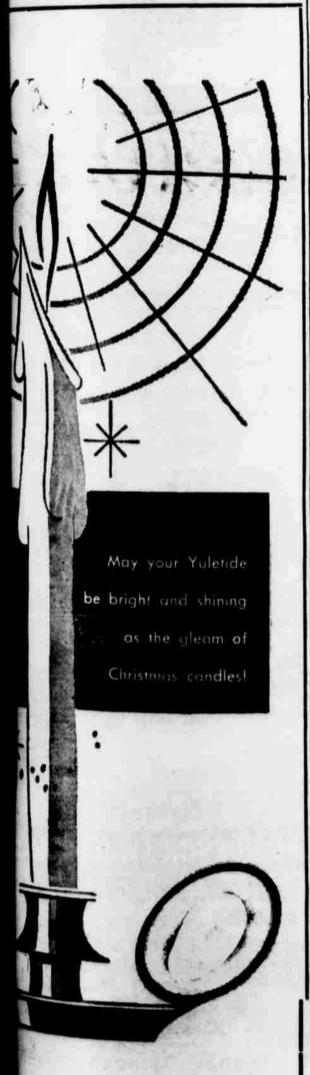
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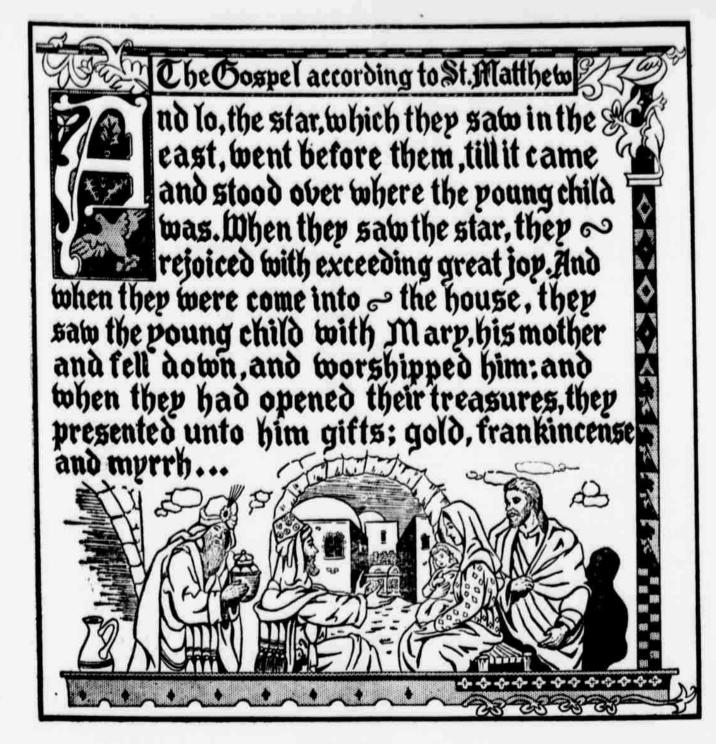
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New Publication Deals With Range Of Texas Weather

College Station-Information from 94 widely scattered weather stations in Texas was used to chart late spring and early fall low temperatures in the state. These temperatures, points out R. D. Blood, U. S. Weather Bureau and R. J. Hildreth. Texas Agriculture Experiment Station, are very important to farmers.

determining crop yields and low temperatures which cause Training damage and injury to plants and animals are a concern of every agricultural producer. The information on the number of frost-free should enable farmers to make better decisions concerning new varieties and crops for a

given area. Blood and Hildreth are the authors of MP-298, Late Spring and Early Fall Low Tempera-tures in Texas, Through the use of a series of charts, they Knox. have outlined by areas and dates a general indication of the risk of occurrence of low dates in the spring and before Canadian border.

specific dates in the fall. Dates Dist. 14-B Basket for three levels of risk-50, 20 and 5 per cent-for 32 and 28 degree temperatures, are presented for both spring and fall.

The publication was released jointly by the Experiment Station and the Extension Service of the Texas A&M College System and copies are available from local county agents or by mail from the Agricultural Information Office, College Station, Texas.

Pvt. Tommy McNeil Climate is a major factor in Completes Special

Fort Knox, Ky. (AHTNC)-Army Pvt. Tommy C. McNiel, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. McNiel, 306 North Avenue M. Haskelli, recently completed eight weeks of advanced armor training under the Reserve Forces Act program at Fort Knox.

McNiel received basic combat training at Fort Carson, Colo., before arriving at Fort

One of the world's few international ski areas is located at temperatures after specific Eastport, Idaho, on the Idaho-

Ball Schedule For 1959

The 1959 basketball schedule for District 14-B has been announced by O'Brien Supt. Elvin Mathis, chairman.

The two teams finishing in top position will play a best 2-of 3 games series to deter-mine the district championship. Boys' championship must be settled on or before Feb. 21, and the girls' championship on or before Feb. 28.

date of Feb. 10 was left open, in case there are any postpone ments, Supt. Mathis explain-

The district schedule: Friday, Jan. 9-Rochester at Mattson; Weinert at Paint Creek; O'Brien at Rule.

at O'Brien; Rule at Weinert. Friday, Jan. 16-O'Brien at Rochester; Rule at Paint Creek; Mattson at Weinert.

Tuesday, Jan. 13—Paint Creek at Rochester; Mattson

Tuesday, Jan. 20—Rochester at Rule; O'Brien at Weinert; Paint Creek at Mattson. Friday, Jan. 23-Weinert at

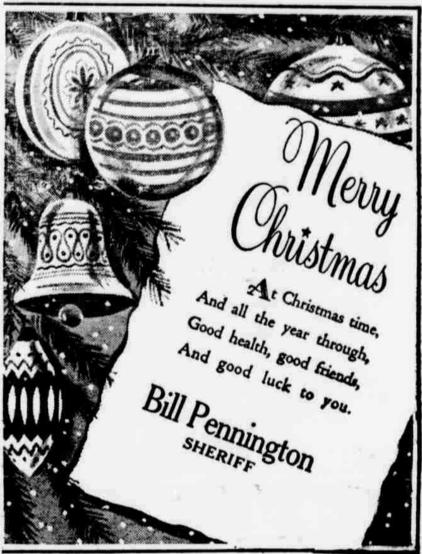
Rochester; Rule at Mattson; Paint Creek at O'Brien, Tuesday, Jan. 27-Mattson at Rochester; Paint Creek at Weinert; Rule at O'Brien.

Friday, Jan. 30-Rochester at Paint Creek; O'Brien at Matt-son; Weinert at Rule. Tuesday, Feb. 3—Rochester at O'Brien; Paint Creek at

Rule; Weinert at Mattson-Friday, Feb. 6-Rule at Ro-chester; Weinert at O'Brien; Mattson at Paint Creek. Friday, Feb. 13—Rochester at Weinert; Mattson at Rule; O'Brien at Paint Creek.

A man never gets so rich that he can afford to lose





"GREETINGS"

This is the season which the people have chosen to express appreciation of their neighbors and friends.

As the day approaches we feel an urge to express our gratitude to God and to man for the many, many blessings they have showered upon us.

To all who may read these lines, we count ourselves especially fortunate to have lived while you lived.

Concerning Christmas . . . This we have learned and would like to pass on to you: Christmas is not a "word" that may be limited or defined by circling a date on your calendar.

Christmas is an institution to teach us "a better way of life." When we have fully convinced ourselves "it is more blessed to give than to receive," we are making good progress toward a happy life. When we have proven to ourselves that "good neighbor deeds" are just as rewarding in June as in December, we have acquired a panacea for many of our daily ills.

Many of us have heard our neighbor say, (and we might have even believed) "That four-year-old child there is having the happiest days of his life." Let us consider how can these things be. We know that God holds no vengeance on age. We know that "as your faith is, so be it unto you." It may be that the four-year-old child has an abiding and sustaining faith in the love and ability of his father to supply his every need. It may be that we have a lack of faith.

It will add much to our joys to know "every good gift and every perfect gift cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variableness."

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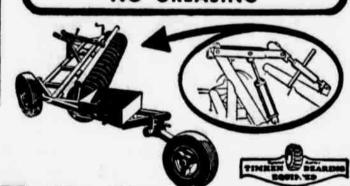
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HIGHLIGHTS AND SIDELIGHTS . . .

FROM YOUR STATE CAPITOL

That was also the year the

Legislature finally got around

anniversary celebration.

of progress. It's conclusion: the

University "stands on the threshhold of true greatness."

but is not yet really "first

Committee labeled some de-

partments and schools "super-

or," most just "satisfactory." It recommended more money

for research, money to attract professors of world-wide re-nown, money to hold the talent-

ed young professors. It recommended eliminating the

'dead weight" of inferior fac-

Texas is well able to support

these advances, said the Com-mittee. It called on the Legis-

lature not to appropriate in-come from the University's

Permanent Fund for current

expenses, but allow the regents

to use it for steps toward "ex-

Desired end product would

be, by the 100th anniversary, a

university ranking among the

top five or six in the nation.

Budget Blues—Texas General Revenue Fund, like many a per-

sonal account, is going to be badly in arrears by the first

Deficit is expected to be about \$40,000,000 by the time

the Legislature meets Jan. 14.

about \$13,000,000 on hand. In

the months since expenses have consumed this and put

the state in the hole at the rate

of about \$13,000,000 a month.

been able to continue cashing

their checks only because banks

agreed to hold them until the

State Treasury gets money to

First headache facing the

lawmakers will be finding money to pay their own salaries,

secretaries, expenses, etc. Pos-

sibilities are deficit financing

When they are cut length-wise, vegetables are said to

lose less vitamins during cook-

The public school system of

Cincinnati, Ohio, which was or-

ganized in 1828, was the first

make them good.

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State employes have been

General Revenue began the fiscal year in September with

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of the year.

BY VERN SANFORD

Texas Press Association Austin. Texas-There's the Iron Curtain, the Bamboo Curtain and what might be called the "Oaken Curtain" - those heavy oak doors in the State Capitol and elsewhere that sometimes swing shut when public officials are transacting public business.

Several newspaper organizations are forging a battering ram which they'll make a run at the "Oaken Curtain" during the next legislative session.

Three measures designed to prevent concealment of public information will be offered. Briefly, here's what the bills

No. 1. Make open to the public at all times all official meetings of all city councils, commissioners courts, legislative committees and state boards, commissions and agencies. Any official found in violation would be liable to a \$100 to \$1,000 fine and removal from office, and the action taken in secret would be invalid.

No. 2. Make any official who prevents or refuses to permit inspection of a public record liable to \$100 to \$500 fine and removal from office.

(Neither of the above measures would apply to any meeting or record not open to the public under present laws.) No. 3. Make any person who takes and carries away a public record "with intent to destroy, suppress, alter or con-ceal" liable to a three to seven year prison sentence.

All three measures are being sponsored by the Associated Press Managing Editors Assolation, and have been endors ed by the Texas Association of Sigma Delta Chi, a professional newsmen's organization.

All bills, said Ed Wishcampof Abilene, APME's freedom of information chairman, are bas ed on the premise "that the public is entitled to know what goes on in the government di-visions which levy and spend taxes and whose decisions affect the lives of people."

Or, from another viewpoint if it's truly "government of the people, by the people and for the people," there's seldom need to hide it from the peo

Who Meets Secretly-Insofar as Austin is concerned, the most likely targets for freedom of information proposal No. 1 are the Legislative Budget Board and the State Board of

The Budget Board, a joint of senators and house members, meets in advance of sessions to thrash out recommendations on how much mon ey to appropriate where. Bil-lions in public money is invol-

Shut-out Capitol pressmen contend the public ought to be in on these decisions.

But Budget Board members point out that it's terribly touchy business at this point and that premature reporting would be like taking the lid off a box of bees. They can'l speak frankly, they say, and come to an understanding with reporters present. And besides, the story goes, the Budget Board's report will be made public when it is submitted to the Legislature.

State Board of Health has excluded reporters from sessions in which it decides the allocations of millions in federal hospital-building funds. The Health Board, too, contends that it eventually makes its decisions public. Newsmen complain that the reports are slow in coming in and hard to get. State Board of Insurance was

petitioned by Sigma Delta Chi's Austin Chapter to keep its public records and meetings open. This Board promptly replied that it had not and would not attempt to conceal any official

acts or hearings.

Some official activities are,
by law, conducted in private. Senate meets in executive ses-sions when deciding whether to confirm appointments by the governor. Also the senate committee on nominations. In these sessions discussion involves people—the appointees—in a very personal way. Newsmen recognize this problem.

Also, the deliberations of both grand juries and petit juries are conducted in legal privacy since the reputation of innocent as well as guilty, per-

sons are involved.

None of these legally confidential activities would be af-fected by the freedom of information measures.

Going "First Class"-Reconstruction was over, but fencecutting was causing a lot of trouble in West Texas in 1883.

Game Department Field Workers Get Uniforms

Field personnel of the Game and Fish Commission will for the first time, don uniforms, according to the fiscal director of the commission. Delivery to 54 employees began about

Game and fisheries biolorists, hatchery personnel, and field assistants will be issue hat and olive green woo shirts, jacket and trousers. This will be similar to those worn by game wardens-Purpose of the uniform is to

identify persons having direccontact with the public. Shoulder patches will further identify each person's particular rank and work assign-

SPENDING HOLIDAYS IN

RUIDOSA, N. M. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Aycock of Haskell are spending the holidays with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Ivy in Ruidosa, N. M.

CHRISTMAS GUESTS IN C. G. BURSON SR. HOME

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Burson to acting under seven-year-old Sr. have as guests in their Constitutional instructions to home for the holidays, their 'as soon as practicable, estableh, organize and provide for the maintenance, support and direction c. a university of children Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Norman and three children, Darlene, Paulette and Dorcas, of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Casey and At the conclusion of its 75th family of Arch, N. M. Expected as guests in their home Christspecial committee of 75 made mas Day are J. Cleo Scott and a report on its year-long study family of Houston, and Rev. and Mrs. Paul Nelson and Gregory of Abilene.

Bayberry Bush Had Role In Early Christmas Rite

"To learn your luck for the year they say, Burn a bayberry dip on Christmas day. If the flame burns bright and

the light shines clear, Good luck will be yours throughout the year." This old verse repeats the tradition from the early years of our country that burning bayberry candle on Christmas

eve would insure one of a long

and happy life. The settlers of our country found that the bayberry gave off a wax that would make fine candles. Since animal fats were important as food and for other uses, it was the bayberry candle that was used as much as possible. It was usually the

task of the children to gather the berries. Candles have always been associated with Christmas and many legends give them a place in the observance of this

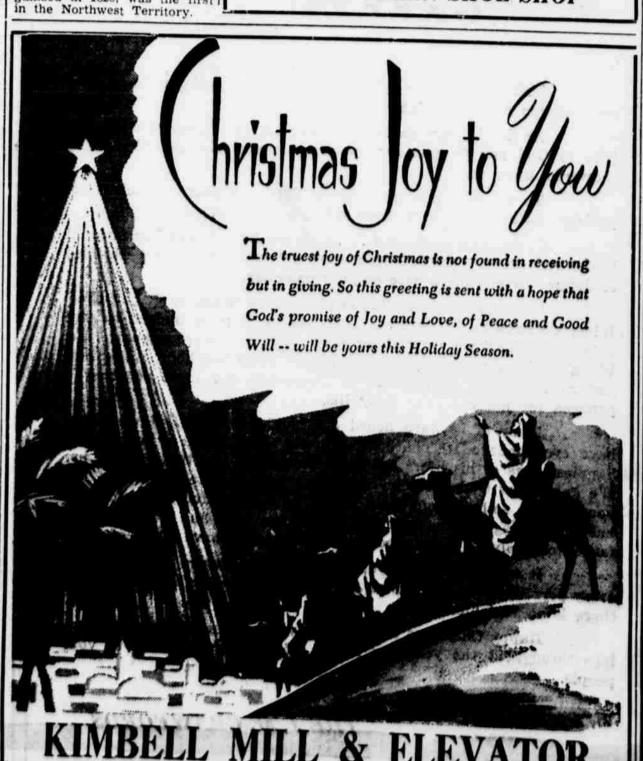
holiday. Even today homes that never use a candle, or have one about during the rest of the year, have mantels, windows and dining tables decorated with them during the holiday. And on Christmas Eve, with the family gathered around about the tree and fireplace. nothing adds to the atmosphere like the warm, soft glow of Christmas candles.

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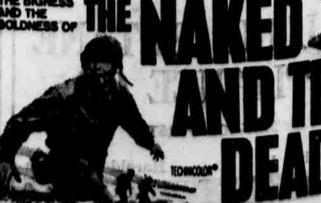
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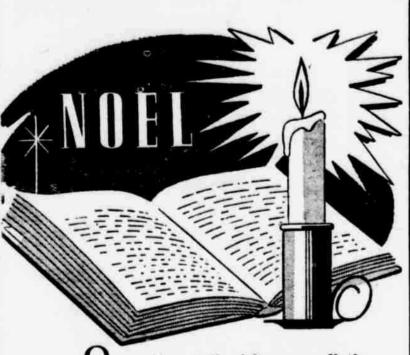
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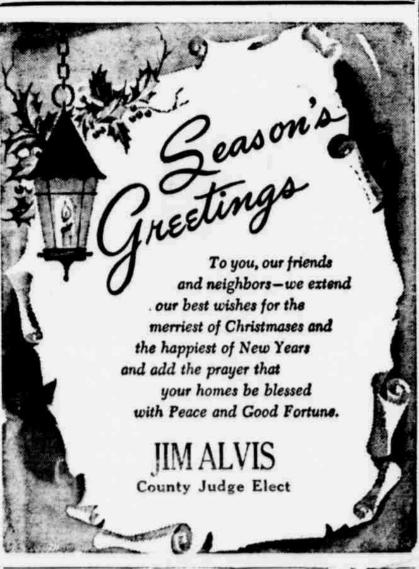


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The holiday is New Year's Day, Jan. 1, which comes on Thursday. Many stores utilize this date for the annual inventory, while other merchants consider it a well earned holi-day following the Christmas

Christmas Today Replaces Early Pagan Festivals

Long before the birth of Christ, the Greeks, Romans, Saxons and Scandinavians were taking part in December festi-

From the Saxons came the ceremony of burning the Yule log. The Saxons burned great bonfires in honor of their god Thor.. From the Romans came the giving of presents, for the custom has been traced to the Roman Saturnalia.

It may seem strange to say that pagan riotousness might be the forbear of the Christian holiday of goodness and love, but intermingled with that which was objectionable, were things that have gone straight to the hearts of people through-out the Christian world. And, although few people

know it, it was for the purpose of substituting a Christmas festival for pagan ones of Romans and Druids that celebrations of Christmas in Decemher were first encouraged and popularized.

Wage Findings In Cotton Harvest \$1.75 and **\$**2.00

Wage findings effective Dec. 18 in the harvest of Haskeil County cotton have bee7n announced by Ed McDonald, Dallas, regional director of the Bureau of Employment Secur-

For second pulling of irrigated and dryland cotton the rate is \$1.75 per hundredweight, and for third pulling on irrigated or dryland cotton the rate is \$2.00. The wage find-ings are effective for two

Christopher Columbus never lived to realize that he had discovered a new continent.

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Is it true, as they say, that Christmas belongs to the chil-

Christmas is indeed a time when hearts must be young but it is not only the child who can know and share the love and faith and hope that brightens the heart at Christmas Christmas is a great spiritual occasion and the atmosprere

excitement and anticipation that permeates the world of the young has deeper, more significant counterpart in the world of the older generation. The hard-boiled, the cynical and the disbelievers cannot enter into the spirit of Christmas. Their hearts are too heavy, too filled with guilt and inner fears, and they close their eyes to all but the material as-

filled with the wondrous glory of the occasion, who see betinsel and who enter with the faith of a little child into the realm of the spirit known as Christmas. For all these, there is joy and peace and happi-

Christmas belongs only the children? Christmas belongs to us all. It is ours to share, to the fullest measure. And, if the truth be known, we elders have a much greater share in the holiday than our children. To them. Christmas is bright lights and Santa Claus and snow and tinsel on the tree, and toys and fruits and good things to eat, and the mere acts of giving and receiving. Have you ever considered the fact that we share in all these aspects of the holiday -in addition to the deeper truer meaning of Christmas and the most important part, which the very young heart is yet unable to understand or comprehend?

Christmas belongs to the children? No, Christmas is pects of the holiday observ- ours. A part of the holiday, a ance. But there are those at bright and shiny part, belongs all ages whose hearts become to the children. But they must

grow in grans and faith and wisdom before they can really share in the will and complete spirit of Chris 328.

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Dear Santa Claus:

Dear Santa Claus:

friend,

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 9 years old.
I would like a doll. Don't forget the nuts, fruit and can-dies. Your friend, Darlene Hawkins.

Weinert School Dear Santa Claus: I want a football, a basketball, and a goal for Christmas. I want a watch and a pair of gloves. Love,

Terry Sanders

Weinert School Dear Santa Claus: I want a basketball for

Christmas, and a football, a baseball and a Chinese Checker and a regular Checker game. That is all I want for Christmas. I am going to end my letter now. Love, Ronny Alexander

Weinert School Dear Santa Claus: I want a ballet doll. I want four games, Tic Tac Dough, Twenty-One, Name That Tune. and The Price is Right. I want some records, about 13. I want a Pogo Stick, I would like a few pieces of fine jewelry for children my age, about 10 pieces. I would like to have a few clothes. I wish you a Merry Christmas. Love always Nona Penelope Patton

Weinert School

Dear Santa Claus: How are you doing? Santa Claus, I want a present, will you please bring me some. I would like a little doll carrier and a little wagon and a col-oring book of Zorro. Your friend,

Janie Lopez

Weinert School

Dear Santa Claus: I want a pump BB gun and an electric football game, and baseball and basketball and glove. Your friend, Frank Dutton

Weinert School

I want a bicycle for Christmas because I like to ride on it every day. I like to play with it when the day is pretty. I think that is all for the present. Your friend, Elida Garza

Weinert School

Dear Santa Claus: I want a 22, and toys and candy. Your friend, Vidente Garza

Weinert School

Dear Santa Claus: I would lige a record player for Christmas. Your friend, Judy Boone

I have been trying to be a good girl this year. I would like a doll and some doll cloth-es. Also I would like a set of

dishes. Santa you have always given me something. I hope you will not forget the other little boys and girls. Your Weinert School

I want a BB gun and a watch Christmas possible. and an electric train. Your Jimmy Sanchez

Weinert Schoo!

Dear Santa Claus: I would like to have a bicycle, size 28, and a doll with clothes. Your friend, Evelyn Mayfield Weinert School Dear Santa Claus: I would like an overnight case and train case. Thank you. Your friend.

Patsy Ruth Miller Weinert School Dear Santa Claus:

Ruby Gean Freeby

I would like a Tiny Tears doll that is 101/2 inches tall, a Pogo Stick, and a size 26 inch bicycle. Your friend, Anita Edwards

Weinert School

Dear Santa Claus: How are you doing? I am just fine. I can hardly wait until Christmas comes. I want a doll for Christmas. I don't have anything else to say. So now I will close my letter. Don't work too hard Love al-

> Peggy Davis Weinert School

Dear Santa Claus: I would like to have a ballet doll, a camera and nuts, fruits and candy. Please remember all the other little boys and girls, too.

Mary Yates Weinert School

Please send me a BB gun Please send me an electric man. Please send me a wagon. And best of all, I wan cand, fruit and other things like that. Your friend, Larry D. S.

Weinert School

Dear Santa Claus: I am 8 years old. I want a doll and some clothes, too. And I want a record player, too. Bring my little sister a doll,

Suelema Zomora

Dear Santa: I am a little boy five years old, I have been a pretty good boy. I would like to have some plastic bricks ond a service station Bring Sheilah a doll here as she will be here on

Terry Hutson

I'm a big boy seven years old, My name is Dalton. I've wanted an electric train now for the past three years, and as I believe I'm big enough this year, I'm expecting one. I've tried real hard to be the kind of a good boy my mother and daddy, my Sunday School teacher (Mrs. Ammons) and my second grade teacher (Mrs. King) would be proud of. Be real extra special to them, too, as they've been so good to me. Don't forget anyone. Don't forget Phylliss my little sister, she wants a doll like most children do. Most of all don't forget the one who makes

church regular. Serve Him."

Dalton Edward Moeller

608 South 11th St.

I am a little girl and will be two years old on Christmas Day. My name is Phylliss Jon Moeller, I live at 608 South 11th St. I love to see all the pretty Christmas trees, lights. decorations, and everything about Christmas that I know. I love to go to church and Sunday School and I love Jesus. I'm sure He will tell Santa to bring me a pretty bride doll, that I've been wanting so bad. Don't forget any of God's little children, especially the orphans and missionaries. Remember Dalton, my big broth-er seven years old. He's writ-

ing you, too. Love, Phylliss

Haskell Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy 51/2 years old. I have been a good boy this year. For Christmas I would like a machine gun, Lone Ranger suit, a Joe Palooka Gym set, and a big drum. I hope you will be extra good to all the other boys and girls.

Randy Lacey

Dear Santa: We are two little girls that have been very good all year long. We would like to have you to bring us some dolls that wet and cry, some stuffed toys to sleep with, a little cook fruit, nuts. We have a brother that is three who would like a rocking horse and a truck, too. There will be some coffee and cookies on the coffee table.

Frieda, Rita, and Tim P. S. Mommy wrote this, bring her something nice.

Dear Santa: I am seven years old. Please bring me an electric train and guns. Please don't forget to bring the other boys and girls some toys. Thank you very much.

Love, Wayne Dorner.

I am four years old, and would like a doll, doll buggy, and a bicycle for Christmas. Love,

Pam Klose, 107 N. Ave. M



Merry Christmas to all our loyal friends and customers, and wishing the best of everything for you!

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Haskell, Texas

Dearest Santa: I am a little boy four years old and I have been pretty good this year. Please bring me a record player, skates. and a Lone Ranger tent. Also fill my boot stocking with nuts, fruit and candy.

Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Bobby Cobb.

Dearest Santa: I will be six years old in a few days. I know I will get a lot for my birthday but bring me a blue record player, skates and a tent, Fill my boot stocking with apples, candy and gum. I have been a good boy this year, so don't forget me and my friends.

I love you Santa, Gary Cobb.



Deasons Greetings

To all our friends for a happy holiday season.

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But at Christmas time, we take this space to say

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Just a friendly wish that under

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To you and your loved ones —

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LETTERS TO SANTA

My name is Ricky. I will be live Dec. 19. I have a sister that is 11. Her name is Glenda We have a dog named Taffy. Our dog wants a collar. I want a bowling set, some guns, and a punching bag. My sister wants a billfold, a pair of pajamas and a pair of Pixie shoes. I have been good. My sister has, too. Be sure and come see us. We will have a piece of fruit cake and some

coffee. Love, Ricky and Glenda P. S.—We live at Rule Texas. We don't have a chimney. You will have to come in the front door. It will be unlocked.

Dear Santa: I'm a little boy 5 years old and I think I have been a fairly good boy this year. Therefore I would like to have: a long gun, cattle truck, ranch telephone, and a pair of

Santa Claus, my little cousins are coming from Massachusetss and New Mexico so be sure to bring them something up to my grandmothers. Please remember all others boys and girls. I'm going to move but 'm sure you can find our house. Eddie Stewart.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 5 years old. For Christmas please bring me a bicycle with coaster brakes and trainer wheels, and a doll bed, anything else you can spare. Don't forget other girls and boys. Nanny English.

Rochester

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy 4 years old. For Christmas please bring me a bicycle with coaster brakes and trainer wheels, also a black board, anything else you can spare, but don't forget other boys and girls. Tommy English.

Lubbock

Dear Santa: I am a fine boy 4 years old. Please bring me a football suit. a gun, and some fruit. My brother, Jay, is 6 months old. bring him a baby doll and some stuffed toys. We will be in Haskell this year, so don't go to Lubbock looking for us. David Pickering.

Dear Santa Claus: We are a little girl 2 years old and a little boy 1 year old. We try to be good. So will you please bring us a big doll, a set of dishes, a tractor, dump truck and some guns. ome candy and gum.

don't forget our baby sister, Carol and James Moeller.

W. O. Elmore

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy 6 years old and in the first grade. I would like a train, bowling set, and guns. Don't forget my little friends and teacher.

Dear Santa Claus, I am four and a half years old, and have been pretty good Would you please bring me a Tiny Tears Doll, a doll buggy, a stove, washing machine, dishes and anything else. Don't forget my little brothers Curt and Tommy. Santa, my Uncle Jerry is sick so please bring him something extra special. Vicki Matthews.

Dear Santa Claus, I am a little girl four years, and have been pretty good. Please bring me a bride's doll in a suitcase with clothes, a little white Bible, any any thing else you wish. Please don't forget all of the other boys and girls.

Judy Cleo Lehde

Dear Santa Claus,

I am two and a half years old. I guess I've been pretty good. Will you please bring me a ranch set, a rifle and gun holsters, also a rope and any other toys you want to leave. I have a little brother seven months old, so don't forget

Curt Matthews.

Dear Santa, I want a wee three doll family. I want some roller skates I want a ballerina dress.

him and my Mommie and Dad-

Haskell I want roller skates. I want 'At the Ranch, Betsy." want a Dale Evans set.

Dear Santa Claus, I am a little boy 7 years old. I am in the second grade. I have studied my lessons good. I am a good boy most of the time. Please bring me a wrist watch and a football. Charlie Rueffer.

Weinert

Dear Santa Claus, I am a little girl 6 years old. I have helped mother all year long and tried hard to be good. Please bring me a doll, play pen, an ironing board, some jewelry.

Bernice Rueffer

Dear St. Nick: I would like for you to bring me a Fanner 50 Gun and hol-ster set, And 7 junior golfing clubs. And I would like for you to leave my second to the big gest brother a clock-radio. And the last thing I want is a machine gun that stands on three legs and operates with a bat tery. Please bring my big brother a pink Cadillac. Patrick Hugh Pace.

I want a pretty doll, with high heels and a jack-in-thebox. And don't forget the other children. Judy Therwhanger.

Dear Santa Claus,

Dear Santa: I have been a good boy this year. Please bring me a holster and one gun, a tent, viewmaster and a toy animal for Randell Arend.

I am a little boy 8 years old and live in Seymour, Texas. I am in the third grade and have tried to be a good boy. So will you please bring me a saddle BB gun, roller skates, hydraulic dump truck. Don't forget to stop by my three little cousins house in Anchorage, Alaska. And leave something nice for my teacher, Mrs. Dickson. Scotty Griffin.

Dear Santa Claus: I would like a Miss Park Avenue doll. I would also like a monkey that blows bubbles. some clothes and a tea set. some fruits, nuts, and candies Your friend,

Janice Rainey.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl six years old. I go to Haskell Elemen-tary School. I am in the first grade. I have tried to be good and next year if you will bring me a doll, a nurses case, and a set of dishes. And I have a twin brother, please bring him a set of guns, a cowboy hat, and a football, and please bring Rickie and Danny lots of toys. too. Thank you, Santa, I love

Gail McFadden.

Flowering Bulbs Offer Variety In Yule Decorations You can easily force spring flowering bulbs to get contin-uous bloom throughout the holiday season and late winter. and crocuses can be potted for

Narcissi, hyacinths, tulips flowering. Use only bulbs of best quality. Set them in shal-low pots containing soil with good water-holding capacity and drainage. A satisfactory soil mixture is three parts good

garden loam, one part of or-ganic matter and two parts sand. Fill the pot with soil to one-half inch below the rim, leaving the tips of bulbs barely

Plant hyacinths and narcissi as close together as you can. For tulips, plant five or six bulbs in a five-inch spot,

Place the pots in a cool place at 40-50 degrees. The soil must moist while in storage. When the roots are well developed, bring the pots into a warm room for forcing. The plants grow best in full sun and in moderately moist soil. When the plants are in full bloom, remove them from the

sun to a bright location. The flowers will last longer if you keep them in a fairly cool place.

SAINT NICHOLAS

The remaining bones of St Nicholas are preserved today in museum of Antalya in Southern Turkey. Most of them were stolen by pirates almost a century ago. Those that remain are carefully preserved.

The world's largest natural arch is the Rainbow Bridge in southern Utah. It is 309 feet high and 247 feet between its abutments. It crosses dry creek.

Tradition of Yule Log Is Thing Of Past

An old and honored Christmas tradition-the Yule loghas almost vanished from our holiday celebration. Logs and fireplaces are not as common as they were once, but the tradition of the Yule log was carried on in England for cen-

It was introduced into Great Britain by the Vikings who burned it to honor the God Thor. The custom was adopted by the English as part of the Christmas festivities.

With great pomp and ceremony the very best log that could be found was brought into the house and placed in the great fireplace.

The fire was lit and the servants of the house gathered with the master and there was much singing and celebrating the coming of the Christmas holiday.

According to the custom of hose days the holiday season lasted twelve full days and the log burned during the entire

At the end of the holiday. any fragments of the log that remained were carefully col-lected to be used again the following year to kindle the new Yule log.

Celebrating today does not last for twelve days, but the superstition that all decorations should be removed by the twelfth night to prevent bad luck in the New Year still survives.

SAFE TOYS

Be sure this year that all the toys you give children or your children receive, are safe. If they are electrical be sure they carry an inspection label.



Christmas, we hope that you may always enjoy choer that we wish you this Yuletide Sesson.

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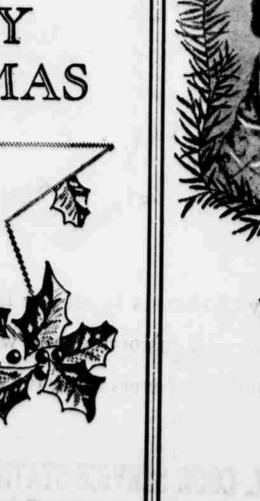
A PRAYER E

As the curtain begins to draw acre the old year, we pray that the spirit of Christm

be kept in the bearts of men not only ! one day ... but every day. For with Christmas in our best

nothing in life could ever quench the joy or dim the light of our peac

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OUTS DRY GOODS

BE CAREFUL IN PLACING AND DECORATING CHRISTMAS TREE

departments and safety an upward draft. officials, millions of American homes become dangerous fire traps at Christmas time. Fire at any time is tragic, but at this happiest of seasons it is more so.

There are a number of simple, easy ways to reduce the hazards of fire in your home during the next few days. Location of the Christmas tree in your home is of vital importance. Do not let it block an exit, or set it up near a

Roads Were Not Paved For First Yule Journey

There were no modern highways leading from Nazareth to Bethlehem when Mary and Joseph undertook the memo-able journey nearly 2,000 years

The way was rough and hard

and dangerous. As far as routes were concerned, there were three. The western route led along the sea coast and through the plain of Sharon. This route was unpopular with pious folk like Mary and Joseph who shunned the heathen cities, rowdy travelers and the ungodly as much as possible.

The shortest route via the fruitful plains of Esdraelon into the mountains of Samaria and through Shechem and Bethel, was not very popular either. The road was tolerable, but steep; however the Jews had little use for the Samarians, and vice versa.

The Jordan route, which de-scended into the Jordan Valley and followed the river's east bank around Jericho, was favored by the majority of Galilean travelers who for the Passover and other religious events went down to Jerusalem at regular intervals and knew their way around as well as surbanites know their way around modern metropolitan Christmas Season

If the Jordan route was a little round-about, it was fairly level-and steeped in Jewish history, from the shadow of Mount Tabor where Saul in desperation sought his "witch" of Endor, to the tomb a little before Bethlehem where the first Joseph buried his beloved

It is fairly certain that Mary and Joseph did not choose the western route when they planned their very special jour-ney. Whether they chose to go by way of Shechem and Bethel, or around the walled city of Jericho may never be determined definitely.

But, the distance-nearly donkey which trudged faithful-

ly at his side. This was a hard journey and Mary appreciated the shelter of the stable that night—no one could have been more grateful or more happy than Mary. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and laid him in a

Regardless of warnings by stairway which would provide

Be sure your tree is fresh and it should be kept outdoors until actually needed. When setting it up, stand it in a bucket of water or wet sand and brace it well so there will

be no danger of it falling It is most important that the decorations be flame proofed or made noncombustible materials. Lighting sets and extension cords should be in good condition. If in doubt have them tested.

Inspect Tree Daily
Even these precautions are not enough, however. Make it the duty of some member of the family to inspect the tree every day during the holiday season. This way you will know immediately if it has become too dry and should be dis-

The switch used for turning on the tree lights should be placed some distance from the tree. Never use an outlet or plug under the tree or run electric trains around the base.

There are a few other simple rules that should be observed if decorations are used around the house. Keep them away from chairs and other places where people may smoke. And keep plenty of ash trays handy during the holiday season. Never Use Candles

It is traditional to have lights in the windows at this season, but never use candles. Keep curtains and other flammable material pulled back at least six inches from any electric

And on Christmas morning, or any other time you open presents, remove all gift wrappings and packing material from the living room and dispose of them immediately.

It can be a happier Christ-mas if you know there is no danger of fire.

Help Children To Calm Down For

Many parents dread the coming of the Christmas season because their already active children seem to become more exuberant.

This is natural since Santa Claus and hidden packages, as well as the mad rush of shopping and holiday preparations, stimulates a child's emotions. Sometimes they are so keyed up they are almost hysterical.

Child development special-

ists believe by creating a quiet atmosphere in your home and explaining the joys of the holi-day, you will help prepare your child for a more peaceful Christmas.

More time should be spent miles—was, in any case, un-relenting and conquered only a reverent Christmas rather by persistent plodding. And when Mary was too tired to go another step. Joseph took the packs upon his own shoulders so she might ride the little and share together the true mas will be a joy for the en-tire family when you and the children pause to understand and share together the true meaning of the Christmas mes-

Be careful what you tell a child about Santa Claus. Retractions are difficult to make later.

Automobiles were offered to consumers "completely equip-

ped" for the first time in 1910.

fastive and joyous one!

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South America Is Adopting Many Of **Our Yule Customs**

North American customs for the celebration of Christmas are becoming more popular in Latin American countries Our southern friends, however, have many holiday traditions we could not well adopt.

In Mexico, for instance, during the nine days before Christmas, candlelight processions are formed nightly. They are called Posadas.

This ritual reenacts the Holy Family's journey to Bethlehem and its difficulty in finding a

place to stay.
It is arranged for the marchers to be refused entrance at a home, then admitted with rejoicing and great festivities. Also, Mexico has a tradition called breaking the pinata. A fragile earthen jar—the pinata

—is filled with candy, toys and trinkets and suspended from the ceiling. Guests are blindfolded, spun

around, and allowed to hit at the pinata with a stick. When it is smashed, everyone rush- feet, in West Texas,

es for the shower of treats. The youngsters of many Lat-in American countries look forward to January 6—the Epiphany and a visit from the three Wise Men when gifts are

received. Children address their letters for Christmas to the Baby Jesus, care of St. Peter in many Latin American countries. And in Colombia it is a custom for merrymakers to masquerade in the streets on Christmas eve. Whenever a friend detects another's identity, he claims a reward.

CHRISTMAS OUTLAWED

The Puritan government of England outlawed Christmas in 1643. Christmas customs and traditions were revived with the restoration of the Stuarts, but the holidays never re-gained its former prestige in England.

A pre-school child enjoys toys he can put together or build. Blocks are an all-time favorite.

Highest point in Texas is the top of Guadalupe Peak, 8751



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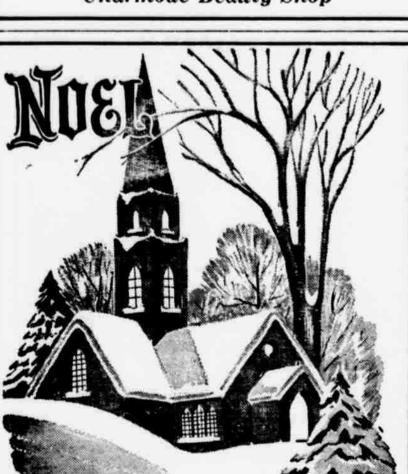
This is the spirit of Christmas that began on that silent and hely night in Bethlehem. May this same spirit bless your family, bringing you all the heart-warming joy of a very Merry Christmae!

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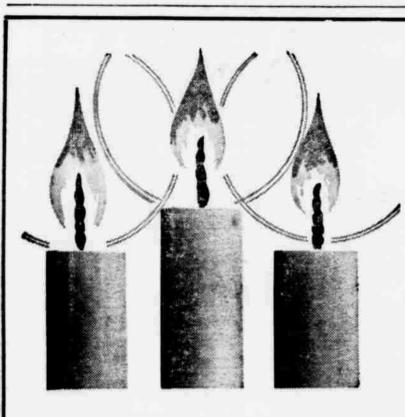
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Season's Greetings

From all of us here to all of you - we send warm and friendly wishes that this Joyous Christmas Season may set the scene for many happy days to come!

HAMMER LAUNDRY Mr. & Mrs. Otis Elmore and W. O.



Pity your poor ginner . . he's caught right in the middle on this uproar over spinning tell him , , and he does . . he "over cleans" and "over dries" to bring top prices in the loan . . but the cotton mills say it won't spin like it should . . . they have to mix rayon! . . . the v-p of a leading mill says "we're paying too much for higher grades and probably not enough for lower grades . . . is there any wonder we'll change our buying
habits?" . . . this all points up
the need for judging quality by
spinning standards . . . if it
isn't done, cotton is going to
surrender part of its market.
While we are on the subject
of cleaning cotton . . are you
sure that extra cleaning means

sure that extra cleaning means money for you? . . some tests have shown that in lower grades, weight-loss caused by removal of additional trash more than offsets the premium paid for the improved grade . . something to think about.

50 Degrees—50%
Raw cotton holds its color best when stored at 50 degrees

best when stored at 50 degrees F. and 50% relative humidity . . . that's what government tests show . . . and the owner can lose up to \$50 a bale in color change with improper storage.
Seed to CCC

At least three states put cot-tonseed into CCC loan during November . . . first time in six years that the support level has been higher than market price , , one effect will be to keep cottonseed oil in government storage this will give ment storage . . . this will give a wide-open field to soybean oil to take over parts of the

About 143,000 farms could wind up in the soil bank's con-servation reserve in 1959 . . . that's about 3% of all farms in the United States and the number seems to be limited only by funds available . one effect of the soil bank in one county has been to put the only gin out of business . . . won't that be considered when the county farmers make their decision about growing cotton under the new farm

What About "GA" recently mentioned what production increase cotton farmers would have if the plant could be stopped from ignoring about half its squares maybe gibberellic acid (GA) is part of the answer . . nothing definite yet but experiments show some giant production increases . . . scientists siress the fact that much is still to be learned about the effects of "GA" . . . but leaders feel that it has a definite possibility . . . plans are for continuing and wide-spread ex-

sincere, and honest will have easy sledding on their way to

Make it a habit to keep your feet on the ground and you'll never have far to fall.



WE HOPE THAT THIS CHRISTMAS WILL BE A JOYOUS ONE FOR ALL OUR DRIVE-INN

Letters To Santa

Claus

Dear Santa: I've been a good boy this year and I would like a bicycle, police car, drum and a truck and trailer. I don't want too much so you can give other children some toys. Be sure and go see my friends.

Jimmy Boyd.

Love, Sherrie Harrison.

Haskell Dear Santa Claus: My name is Paula Wooten. I live at 1010 N. 6th St., Haskell, Texas. I want a baby doll, ballet doll with a bride dress, and ballet dress and Sunday

dress.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 7 years old.
I have tried very hard to be a good girl this year. I would like for you to bring me a Ballerina Doll, a bicycle, a ballerina dress for myself, and a pair of leotards. Also some candy, fruit and nuts. We will have some goodies for you in

the kitchen. I love you, Diane Thomas.

Haskell

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a 22 rifle and one pair of boots and a long rope. quality . . . as a farmer you are interested in the money that comes from the high grade cotton . . "clean it up," you are full him and he does to the cotton in the money that comes from the high grade cotton is and he does to the cotton in the money that comes from the high grade cotton is and he does to the cotton in the money that and dress, and a fur stole. Thank you very that holds water or milk. I wear size 4½, the cotton is a fur stole. Thank you very the cotton is a fur stole in the money that comes from the high grade cotton. I am nine years old. I have one brother named Steve Cothron I will be at 401 N. Elm Ave. H. Put my name on the packages.

Your friend, Joe Cothron.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a rubber doll, that sits with clothes. I want some

skates. I will get you some milk and cookies and candy. I like Christmas, Sarah Lou Josselet.

It's better to give than to receive—because it's deduct-

Dreaming is all right as long as you keep wide awake doing

The music's outlandish the lyrics don't fit-it's crazy and tuneless but boy, what a hit!

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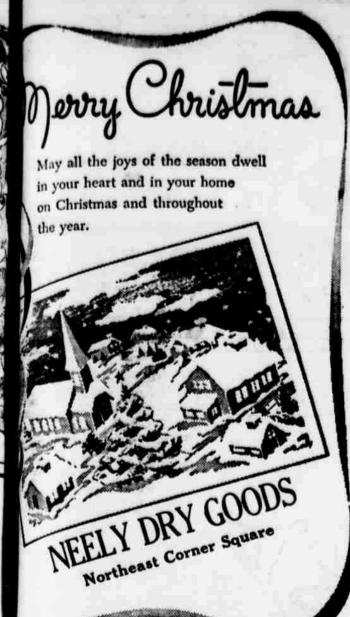
Add to the good things of Christmas - our wishes for a joyous heliday!

Corley's Tire Service



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Dear Santa:

Star Route, Haskell, Texas Dec. 12, 1958

candy, nuts and fruit. Be sure

Please bring me a baby doll, make-up kit, high heel shoes, play hat and dress, and a fur stole. Bring all the other little

boys and girls something, too.

Love. Lonnie Hodgin.

Haskell

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Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 3½ years old. I have been pretty good this year. For Christmas I would like for you to bring me a Tiny Tears Doll, a real big teddy bear, refrigerator, and a doctor's case so I can doctor my dolls and my big sister, Charlotte. I would like some candy, nuts and fruit. I hope you have a Merry, Merry Christmas, Santa.

Your friend, Sharon Lynn Hise

Hello Sweet Santa! Isn't Christmas fun? As you make your journey from the North Pole, please stop by our house and leave me a doll, pa-jamas and duster, and house shoes, and fill my stocking with goodies. Santa, don't forget the other little boys and girls and all of their special wants. Just think Santa, if baby Jesus had not been born on Christmas we would have missed Christmas

> Melanie Ann Vojkufka, age 4.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a Colts 45, an air gun, a robot, a robe, two guns with

holsters. Please bring my sis-

as well as our Saviour.

ters something. Billy Hise



OLIDAY GREETINGS

I am thankful for this Holiday Season and the opportunity to press my appreciation for your friendship and good will. Particularly this season do I wish to express my thanks to you, who I have served past few years as Commissioner of Precinct 2. I shall never forget ur cooperation in helping me to discharge my duties in a more effi-

May I wish you and yours a very Happy Holiday Season.

LEON NEWTON Commissioner, Precinct 2

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 8 years old and in the second grade. Please bring me a bride doll and a ring. Don't forget my two little sisters. Janis is 6 years old and wants a ballerina doll. Cora is 6 months old, you can I could use a glove too. I hope bring her a rubber doll. Also all the other little boys and would like some fruit and nuts. Don't forget my teacher, Mrs. Terrell, and the other little boys and girls.

Love, Linda Scheets.

Dear Santa: I want a Superman watch and a Superman suit, a pair of Wyatt Earp guns, American bricks, a Vanguard Rocket launcer, a giant telescope, a B-B gun, a pumper fire truck and a satellite train, and a bicycle. Don't forget the other little boys and girls around the world.

Yours truly, Jerry Adkins.

Haskell Dear Santa Claus: My sister and I have been pretty good. My sister wants a big baby doll and doll house. I want a Wagon Train, Winchester saddle gun and a mo-

> Your friends. Janis and James Wall.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a boy 7 years old My name is Eugene Abbey. I have tried to be a good boy all the year, Please bring me anything you may have. All I really want is a baseball bat and ball. girls get what they want for Christmas.

Eugene Abbey.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl 17 months old and I try to mind my moth-er and daddy. Please bring me a toy horse that I can ride a doll, a telephone, a doll buggy, a jack-in-the-box and pair of house shoes.

Dear Santa:

Yours truly, Kathy Perrin.

This year for Christmas I would like for you to bring me a bride doll, a cowboy suit and guns, and a doll buggy. I have grown a lot since last Christmas and am now 3½ years old. I think I've been a good girl. Oh, yes! Remember all the other little boys and girls. Bring some candy and fruit, too, if you can.

I love you,

Teresa Thomas, Haskell



Allie Belle Smith Horace Oneal County Clerk

Carolyn Reynolds

May happiness ring in your holidays and accompany you through this glad season! RAYMOND WHEELER

Christmas



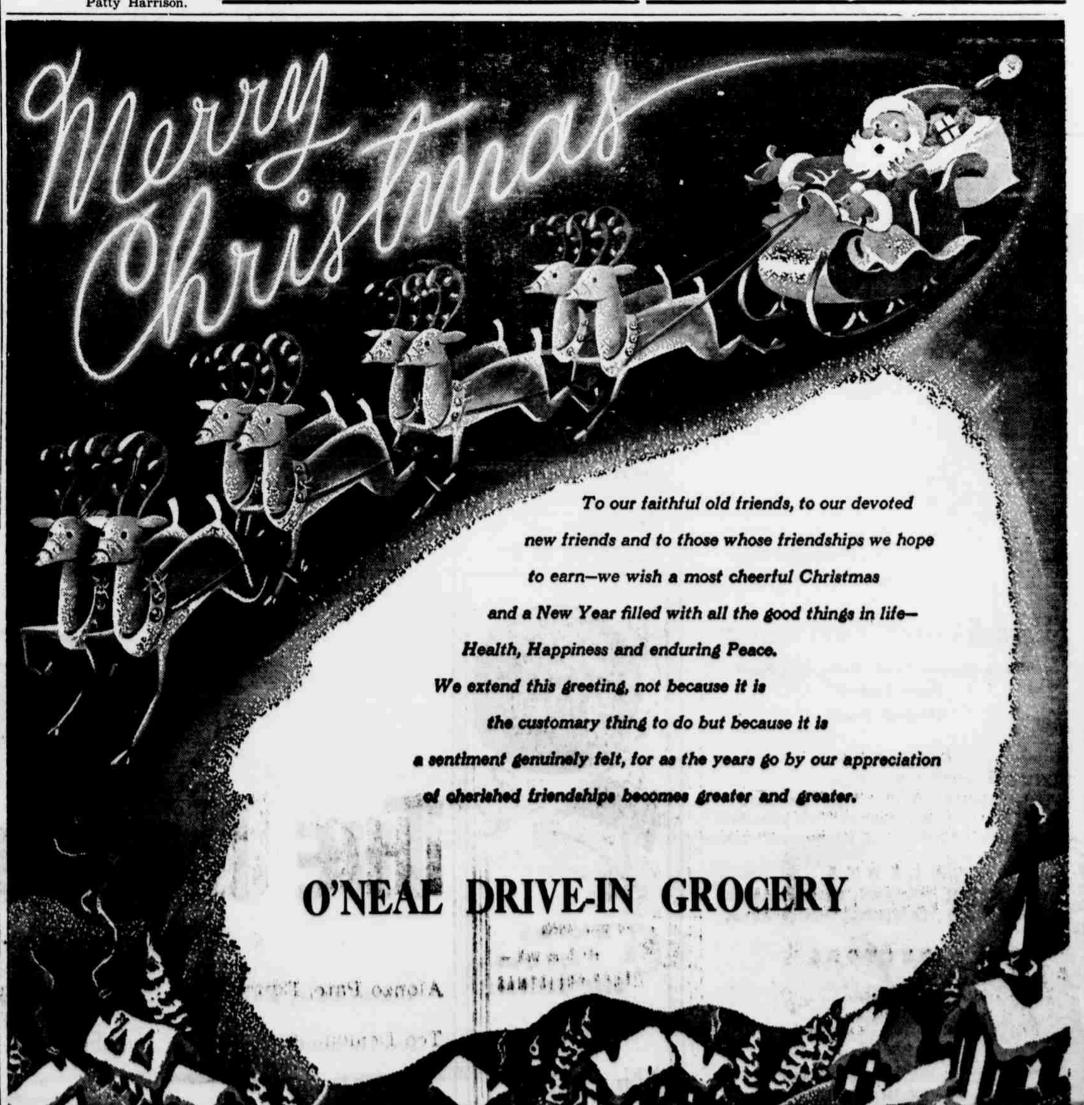
MAGNOLIA STATION

May our acquaintances and our relations ever be mindful, our friendships stronger and our hopes brighter as it comes to you and yours through the Christmas Holidays and the New Year.

Sincerely,

ALFRED TURNBOW

County Judge



Dear Santa Claus



the foyeus Christmas we wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to all of our patrons and business associates for their friendship - their eac operation - their loyalty during the past year. A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone.

> City Barber Shop Dick and Bruce





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Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa: I am nine years old, I would like a foto-electric football game, and I want two pairs of boxing gloves, and I want a machine. Your friend, Ray Herren.

Dear Santa Claus: I am writing you a letter for Christmas I am a little girl 3 years old and have been a pretty good girl. So I want you to bring me a doll, dishes, cowboy boots, apples, oranges, candy, nuts. And be sure and don't forget my four cousins, Johnnie and Melvin Bruggeman of Caddo, Texas, and Donnie and Joy Moeller of Weinert and my mother, aunts, uncles, grandfather, and all other boys and girls at Christmas time. Be sure and bring them things for Christmas also. I will sign off now. Your truly

Mary Moeller

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 10 years old. I want a big doll, a wrist watch, a Viewmaster, a baking set of food mixers, also fruits. candy and nuts. Please don't

forget my sisters Becky and

Molly Wright 713 South 9th

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl almost 6 years old. I want a big doll, a doll house, and some games, an iron and and an ironing board. Also some fruis, candy and nus.

Shirley Wright 713 South 9th

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl, 18 months old. I want a little doll, a doll walker, some push and pull toys, also some fruits and candy.

Becky Wright 713 South 9th

Weinert

Dear Santa: We have been good children. Our names are Debbie, age 3 years, and Kyle, age one year-We hope, dear Santa, that you will come to our house on Christmas Eve. Debbie wants you to bring her a big doll, a gun, nurses kit and a little flashlight. Kyle wants a gun with holster, a doll and a big airplane that roars. Please bring us both together a big m swing and We love you. Debbie Labeth and

Kyle Wayne Josselet

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 5 years old who lives in Rule and I would like for you to bring me some things for Christmas. I'd like to have a baby doll, a stove. ice box, and sink set, a big doll bed, a doll high chair and paint set. My little siser who is one and a half years old would like a baby doll too, a rocky horse and some pull toys. We've both been pretty good little girls and are really looking forward to Christmas. Your friends, Jeleta and Ruth Ann

Blankenship

Dear Santa: I am a little boy 5 years old and I wish for you to bring me a Viewmaster with some Christmas and cowboy pictures. Also bring my little sister a baby doll.

Kenneth Hilliard.

I am 9 years of age. I would like to have a bride doll for Christmas. Bring all the other girls and boys what they want. Thank you.

Patricia Ann Hilliard

Dear Santa:

I am 10 years of age. I would like to have a portable radio. Bring all the other boys and girls what they want. Thank

Ronald Lee Hilliard



Dear Santa: I am a little girl 6½ years old. I am in the first grade. I live in Abilene with my mother and brother but I will be in

Haskell at my Grandad Clar-ence Taylor's Christmas. Santa you always find me and I am glad. Santa could you please bring me some new cowboys, horses and saddles that come off. I need some doll clothes too, A doll house and some doll furniture. I want a live horse. Santa, please bring mother something nice as she works very hard for us. Santa I know some songs that I learned at Sunday School

and at school. Your little friend, Belinda Harrell, 1425 N. Mockingbird Lane,

P. S. Santa, please remember our pastor, Bro. Billy Hendrix. as he tells about Jesus.

Abilene, Texas.

I would like to have a Toodles Doll that is 21 inches tall with hair. I would also like an English racer with all the new equipment. I want the size 26 racer. I was going to get one more thing but I thought if some of the children that were

hungry had the money I would be wasting they would not be hungry so I changed my mind. Be looking for you Christmas Your friend,

Sandra Mathison.

Our custom of singing Christmas carols-not as prevalent as in former years dates back to ancient times when waifs and minstrels sang them in the streets. The first true Christmas carols which spread to many European countries, originated in Italy during the 13th century.

Christmas Was Not Always Celebrated On December 25

Like Easter, Christmas was once a movable feast, cele-brated on a different date each

In 337 A. D. St. Cyril, bishop of Jerusalem, with the permission of Pope Junius I, appointed a commission to determine, it possible, the precise date

Christ's nativity.
The theologists finally agreed upon December 25, and since the year 354 this date has been celebrated.

SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco's first Christmas tree was made in 1850 from Douglas fir branches wired on a stick by a German wine shop proprietor.

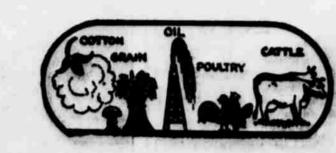


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With the passing of each year, it becomes more evident that the peace of Christmas is enjoyed only because there were those who made every sacrifice that we might enjoy Christmas to its fullest extent. As we extend our Season's Greeting we are mindful that without those sacrifices, we could not enjoy the blessings of peace.

If we strike a solemn note at this glad season of the year, it is only because we are remembering that there were those who gave their all to make it possible for Americans everywhere to observe and enjoy Christmas.

The peace of Christmas is sacred. May we never rorget.



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Douglas fir and any of the long

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Haskell became an incorpor ated town on April 30, 1907.

needled pines.



THE PERSONALITY SHOPPE

our best wishes that your

happiness and joy!

Christmas be filled with much

Claus

Dear Santa:

Haskell

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy and I am 9 years old. My little brother is 3 years old. We have been pretty good kids. My little brother wants a tricycle, tinker toys, and guns. I want a football, log cabin set, scabbard and guns. Oh yes, Santa, don't forget our fruits a n d candy. Don't forget my big brother Eugene. He wants a new car. And don't forget my oldest brother, Franky Don, who lives in Fort Campbell, Ky. Please bring him home for Christmas. Also don't forget my sister Myrtes Ivey, who lives in Haskell, Texas.

Ben Melton. Ben Melton.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a real pretty doll, I would also like a pretty watch and a cooking kit. I would like some dresses and nuts and fruit. Please don't forget the other little boys and girls. Your friend, Ruby Joyce Rainey.

November 29, 1958

Dear Santa Claus: My wants are so terrific I will write you early. I am 9 years old I live in Abilene and go to Fannin School, but I will be in Haskell Christmas at my grandparents, the Clarence Taylors.

Santa, I want a bow and arrows, an army set, missle set, a radio that you fasten to metal and it will work. I think they cost \$3.00. Santa, I would like a Pee Wee airplane that runs by a gas motor. I would like an air force set, and an electric train and that is all. I will be watching for you.

David Paul Harrell,

425 N. Mockingbird Lane, Abilene, Texas.

P. S. Santa, please be good to Mr. Clare, as he always prints us kids letters to Santa Claus.

My name is Janie Lou Kelley. I want a doll and a pair of skates, gund and scabbard and some bullets and a pair of pajamas and a bath robe and a nurses kith and a pair of house shoes, I love you. Janie Lou.

Weinert School Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a big tricycle, a pair of house shoes, some Tales of Wells Fargo, guns, a soda pop truck, and a football. Don't forget all the other boys and sirls. Yours

Tommy Miller, age 5



W. A. LYLES, JEWELER

East Side of Square

Hackell, Texas

Letters To Santa Sumptuous Meals Pick Yule Tree Highlight Yule All Over World That Fits Your Holiday Plan

Pick the Christmas tree to suit your holiday plans. If you intend to keep the tree brate Christmas, along with merrymaking and the gather-ing of friends and relatives, is for only a few days, the Nor-way spruce has the traditional traditional in every country that celebrates the holiday. shape and good color and is perhaps your best buy. Its one failing is that it sheds its need-les fairly soon.

The main dishes, of course, vary from country to country, but tradition remains and some of the dishes have not chang-ed for hundreds of years—ex-cept to taste better as we get older.

Serving a boar's head was an old English custom. It was brought into the banquet hall on a large platter accompanied by trumpet flourishes. It has been replaced today by stuffed turkey and a wide assortment of pies, topped off with plum pudding covered with flaming sauce. All of it is a banquet fit

for a king.

A tasty dish that was originated by the Puritans and is very American, is the mince meat pie. Originally the dish was served with a tiny figure of the Christ child in the cen-

The earliest known recipe dates from the early 17th cen-tury. It calls for beef tongue, chopped chicken eggs, raisins, orange, lemon peelings, sugar

and various spices.

Rice pudding is the traditional opener for a Norweigan Christmas feast, followed by the Christmas pig whose growth had been watched care fully throughout the year.

Sometimes as many as four-teen different kinds of cakes are served in Norweigan The Christmas feast in Swed-

en always features a large se-lection of buns, cakes and loaves, of all shapes and colors.
The Danes center their feast around a plump Christmas goose, served with hot cab-

bage and sugar-browned pota-toes and stuffed with apples

and prunes.

The French also serve the traditional goose at their Christmas feast along with buckwheat cakes with sour cream, roasted chesnuts with milk or wine, and all types of cakes and candies with which to end the meal.

The Swiss feature a pear cake called the "Bireweggle" which resembles a shiny loaf of bread. It contains a spicy, flavorful concentrate from air

dried pears mixed with raisins.

Here in America the Christmas turkey is the most popular dish, served with a variety of vegetables. Followed, of course with a variety of pies and cakes
—most often the fruit cake.

Because of mixture of tra-ditions and beliefs in the United States the Christmas feast varies more than in other

LOOK FOR SANTA

American children look for presents in their stockings o under the Christmas tree, In Italy they seek them in "Urns of Fate" and the children of Norway seek them in hiding places all through the house.

Texas has not been without cattle since 1690, when the Spanish brought stock for the first mission.



CAHILL & DUNCAN

Legends Vary About First Christmas Tree

There are many legends about decorating the Christ-mas tree. One dates back to Boniface, who as England's missionary to Germany in the 8th century, 'replaced the sac rifices to Odin's sacred oak to a fir tree adorned in tribute to the Christ child."

Others say that the tree and its candles should be attributed to Luther. Another says the practice dates to the Teutoni practice of bringing trees into homes to appease the god-like spirits that were believed to which ever tree you buy, make sure it is fresh and not tinder-box dry. Tree experts say to merely feel the twigs and needles as a test. If they are dry and brittle, look at inhabit forest timbers.

But there is a legend more beautiful than all the rest. According to it, when Christ was born a group of stars looked down upon an olive tree. a date palm and pine tree which stood over the manger.

the tree butt first on the floor. A shower of needles will tell Seeing that the pine had nothing to offer in His honor you the tree is dangerously For general attractiveness and quality, select the tree that has pyramidal shape branches well down to the base and abundant and attractive foliage. This applies to all Yuletide trees for ornamentation spruce for ornamentawhile the others gave fruit and dates, they descended from the heavens to rest upon the pine's boughs as an offering-and that was the first Christmas tree.

When a lad starts the study of Latin and algebra he says good-bye to his boyhood and, also, to any help on his home-work from dear old dad

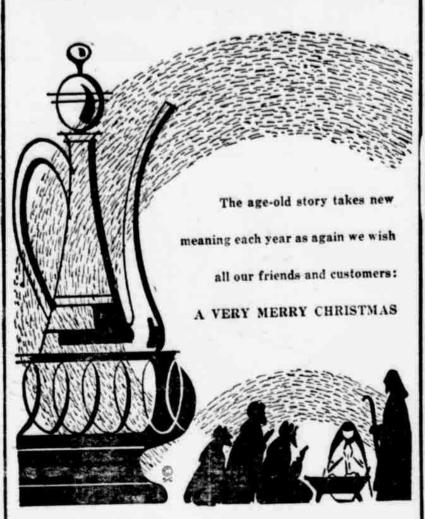


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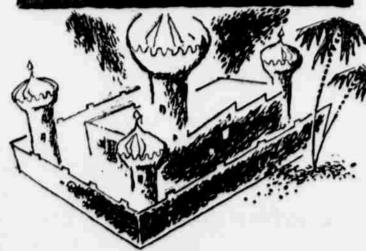


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As the songs of angels rang out with the glorious message of old, may Christmas again bring new hope and blessings to all of you!

HIGHWAY DRIVE-IN

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Crume

LETTERS TO SANTA

I would like one pair of guns with a secret pocket that has a derringer gun. I would also like a machine gun that sets on the ground on a stand. I would like some surprises. My big brother, Barry, would like a basket ball and goal and some surprises. some surprises.

Thank you Santa, Randy Oneal.

Weinert, Texas, Rt. 1 Dec. 14,1958

Dear Santa: I am a little girl four years old. I'm going to start being better and help my mother and daddy. Please bring me a bicycle, a Tiny Tears doll and a little car. Don't forget my brother and sister.

Love, Joan Caddell.

Weinert, Texas, Rt. 1 Dec. 14, 1958 Dear Santa: I am a little girl five years old. Please bring me a bicycle and a Tiny Tears doll. I am

going to try to stay awake so I can see you. Don't forget the

other little boys and girls Love, Lorenia Caddell.

> 507N. Ave. C Haskell, Texas, Dec

Please bring me a baseball glove. I want a frontier set, I want a Vent Bonner set. I want a sawed-off shotgun. I want a derringer. I want an Army set.

With love, Steve Harrison.

1303 N. Ave. H Haskell, Texas, Dec.4

Dear Santa: Please bring me a football helmet with a double nose guard, and a pair of football pants, a Palaton gun set, bowling set. I would like for you to leave my big brother an electric hockey game. I am going to leave you some going to leave you crackers and milk. With love.

Tommy.

1002 N Seventh Haskell, Texas, Dec. 14 Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a cancan, purse, a pair of shoes, and a sewing set. Please bring Darlene a doctor's set, some dol dresses, and a dish set.

With love, Theresa Kaye Abbott.

ear Santa Claus:

While you are on your way deliver toys, just wondered if you have time to leave me a 26-inch bicycle, with all the other boys who wants one. Don't forget the fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget the boys and girls in my room-Mrs.

I love you Santa, Jerry Lynn Freeman.

Haskell, Texas, Dec. 12, 1958 Dear Santa:

I want a bride doll and many other things. Don't forget the other boys and girls. Please come to my house at 1300 N. 5th Street.

Your friend, Ruth Villarreal.

Haskell, Texas, Dec. 12, 1958 Dear Santa Claus: I want a ball, a boat, a car and an Elgin watch. Gerald Ray Howerton.

Haskell, Texas, Dec. 12, 1958 Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll and two more toys for my sisters.

Maria Sanchez

Haskell, Texas, Dec. 12, 1958 Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a BB gun, and a rifle.

Ray Acosta.

Haskell, Texas, Dec. 12, 1958 Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, dishes, a dress, shoes and clothes for my doll.

I would also like a doll house and a teddy bear. My sister wants a doll buggy.
Ellie Vasquez.

Haskell, Texas, Dec. 12, 1958

Dear Santa:

I want a big baby doll, and a whole bunch of clothes. Cora Feemster.

Haskell, Texas, Dec. 12, 1958 Dear Santa: Please bring me a bat, and a left hand ball glove. John Martinez.

Haskell, Texas, Dec. 11, 1958 Dear Santa:

I want a play machinegun that stands on three legs and a play rifle that you put bullets in, I want a satellite train. too. Don't forget the other children. My little brother wants a pair of boots. Robert Berry.

Haskell, Texas, Dec. 12, 1958 Dear Santa:

My name is Charles Scott McDonald, and I live at 707 South 2nd Street. I would like a pair of engineer boots and an ice cream machine for Christmas.

Sincerely yours, Scott McDonald.

Route 1, Haskell, Texas Dec. 12, 1958 Dear Santa Claus:

I want a baby doll, a diaper bag, and bottles, too. Please be good to the other children too, because all of us hav been good children. Please bring everybody what the want. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Love, Denna Robertson.

Dec. 12, 195 Dear Santa Claus: I would like an electric train for Christmas. Bring my sister something, too. Love,

Tommy Dale Patterson Haskell, Texas, Dec. 12, 195

Dear Santa Claus: I have tried to be a very good boy. I want a train and a bicycle for Christmas. Santa don't forget the other boys and

Your friend. Ronny Briscoe.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a toy shot gun, and a bowling set, and a derringer. Bring my little brother a tractor.

With love.



Haskell, Texas, Dec. 12, 1958 Dear Santa Claus: My name is Pamela Kay Burson I'm eight years old. I am in the second grade. Here is what I would like for Christand a Scout knife, and some surprises.

mas. Iron and ironing board, doll house, sister doll, Coke machine and teddy bear or dog to sit on my bed. Could I please have them fuzzy if I

> Love, Pamela Burson.

Haskell, Texas, Dec. 12, 1958

Dear Santa: My name is David Highnote. I am 8 years old and in the second grade. Please bring me a telescope and a blackboard with some chalk; also a type-writer and a bubble gum machine if you have it.

I thank you, David Highnote.

Dear Santa: I want a tent. I want a pingpong table and some games. And some bowling pins and a bowling ball.

Joe Greer.

Haskell, Texas, Dec. 11, 1958 Dear Santa.
I am almost 3 years old, I have been a good y. I am in the second grade. I vant a BB gun, bow and arrows, robot

Love, Danny Pittman.

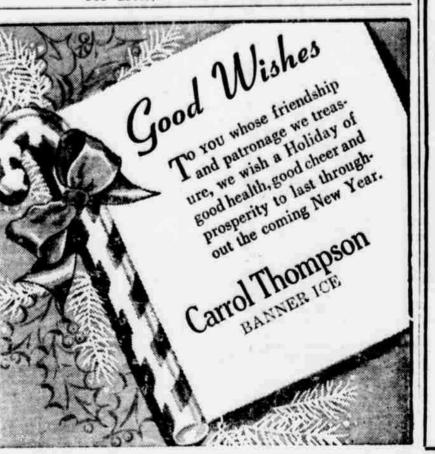
Dear Santa: I would like to have a pair guns like Paliden has on Have Gun Will Travel. I would also like to have two sweat shirts, and a picture paint set. Please bring mother and father something. Please don't forget any little boy or girl, God bless

> Thank you, Johnny Dunlap.

Dear Santa : Glenn wants a Be-Be gun and a ring. Rowena wants a little card table and a doll house. Monena wants a farm

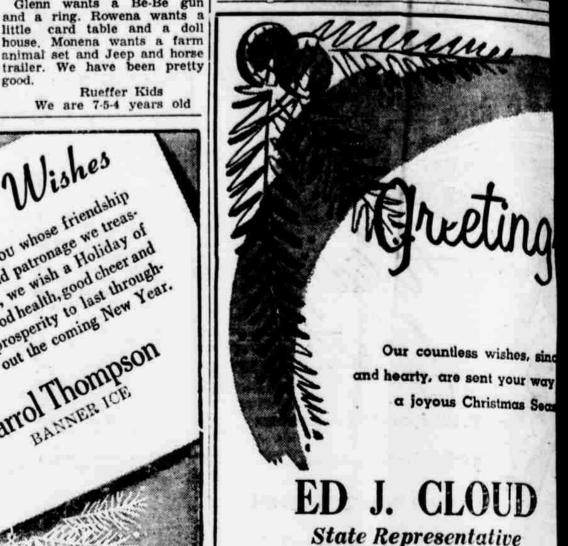
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We are 7-5-4 years old





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