NUMBER FIFTY-ONE

dents to join Goodfellows in pro-viding Christmas cheer for

those less fortunate in our com-

munity. Hand your contribution

today to Royce Adkins, Lions

Goodfellow project chairman, or

mail it to the Haskell Free

Press, earmarked "Goodfel-

Goodfellows, confident that

the money still needed to pro-

vide Christmas baskets for un-

fortunate families in Haskell

will be forthcoming, are now

enough money on hand at pres-

ent to pay for the baskets, Royce Adkins, chairman, is still

optimistic about the Lions spon-

sored project and expressed con-

Although there is not nearly

packing the baskets.

to you say if someone to tell them about

begin with Christmas jingle bells, ribboned in gold and red and Will you speak of mince ham and turkey, and mistletoe and holly dles brightly burning? mention organ music church at twilight and of carols in the night? point in your narrare amid the trappings tions of this particular

as is the message of m...the realization that born and Christ is today and always the light, the promise and light

as is a simple, mean-ase: "For on this day no the world a Sav-

us shall find Christt and soul.

the outward signs, the Friday Night and the customs that so well there is One with, indelibly inscribed imple story of the birth at Bethlehem.

wh is the spirit that souls; it is the well hope and promise; it firit of Christmas. 0-0-0

re it is Christmas once lil is time again for mishap. annual call. It is the e Prattlers' that all of Haskellites have the and brightest Christ-

istmastime let each of be thankful for those which Christmas is a comforting and a blessing to know dless of the unhappidisappointments which te been the experience be past year, there retraditional feeling of at Christmastime. of us be conscious of that are expected of esent season. Let each good fellowship with

0-0-0 ay that ever 'gainst comes. Wherein our irth is celebrated, of dawning singeth all And then they say, an walk abroad; The wholesome; then no rike, No fairy takes, hath power to charm. d and so gracious is Hamlet, Act I, Scene

e we contact to per-

glories of Christmas.

saying: "It's an ill lows no good," may e truth in it: merchant made a re-

ing the big ice storm when business "Well, one good it, shoppers can't

younger set buy their O.D. (Charge-On-Dad).

little sermonette: ... nd words ... Easy to possible to recover."

## Final Rites Are Held For J. W. (Slim) McKinney will be open to all Haskell County 4-H and FFA members,"

J. W. (Slim) McKinney, 63, the show grounds in Haskell affarm laborer, who resided at ter 4:00 p. m. on Friday, Janson South Ave. E. Haskell, pass-uary 19th, and must be in place ed away at 3:45 a. m. Sunday, by 9:00 a. m. on Saturday morn-December 17, in the Haskell County Hospital, where he had been a patient for five days.

Animals may be entered and premiums will be paid in the Funeral services were held at Funeral services were held at 200 p. m., Tuesday, December 19th, from the First Methodist Church here, with Rev. J. V. Patterson, pastor, officiating Patterson, pastor, officiating, and poultry, to include laying Holden Funeral Home was in hens, pullets and broilers. charge of arrangements and interment was in Willow Ceme- wishing to enter should contact

Born May 17, 1904, at Mc-Gregor, he was married to Bertha Trimmer, October 30, 1927, at Vera, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. McKinney moved to Haskell in 1943 from Ardmore, Oklahoma. He was a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters. Mrs. Billy Gene Rogers of Abilene and Mrs. Nadine Rogers, Haskell; three s o n s. Eugene McKinney of d you suggest to the Brownsville, Bobby McKinney that Christmas is found of North Hollywood, Calif., and Brownsville, Bobby McKinney of North Hollywood, Calif., and Kenneth McKinney of Haskell; Livestock Association feels that two brothers, George of Plain- the show is an incentive for the view and W. E. of Lebanon, In- young people of the county that would describe Christ- diana; six sisters, Mrs. Lorene are interested in livestock and in at the beginning. Jones of Wichita Falls, Mrs. Ro- agriculture to have a project of Christmas is sim- sa Lee Myers of Carlsbad, New that will teach him or her reuncomplicated, really. Mexico, Mrs. Mary Lou Gore sponsibility by taking care of birth of a Child at of Stinton, Mrs. Ruby Gaither their individual animals."

m. Everyone knows the of Fort Worth, Mrs. Bertha Mae has been repeated, un-in every tongue, for Mrs. Johnnie M. Burgard of Carlsbad, New Mexico and five Fire Destroys

## Three Persons we search our indiv- Injured In Wreck

Three persons were injured Friday night around 8:30 o'clock when two pick-ups met head-on near Lackey's Auction House, 100 North First.

Scott White of Rule, driving a 1965 pick-up, headed west and a 1959 Dodge pick-up traveling east, driven by Narcise Lucio, of Haskell, were involved in the

White was treated for a broken right arm just above the wrist and broken knee cap. Lucio received lacerations about the left knee and Louis Lopez of Goree, who was in the vehicle with Lucio was hospitalized for treatment of extensive facial and scalp lacerations.

Investigating officer, City Chief of Police, T. P. Barnett, said that both vehicles were totaled.

## Allen Isbell Announces For Com. Precinct 3

Allen (Jiggs) Isbell, Haskell County farmer, who resides 7 miles southeast of Haskell in the Paint Creek Community, authorized the Free Press to announce his candidacy for Commissioner Precinct 3, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary

Mr. Isbell, who has resided in Precinct 3 for 30 years, said that this was his first time to venture into politics and would issue his formal statement to the voters in the near future.

#### Free Kiddie Show At Texas Theatre Saturday Morning

Sponsored by the friendly mer-chants of Haskell, a "free" kid-die show will be held at the l'exas Theatre, Saturday, Dec. 23rd, at 10:00 a. m.

Guests included Haskell High School seniors, Randy Wiseman The all-new, full length carand Bill Ratliff. Jim Strother, toon feature in color, "Pinoc-chio In Outer Space," will be a representative of the Salvation Army, was also noted as a shown on the screen for the delight of the youngsters.

dist Church.

## Bank Stockholders Held Dec. 13th

The officers and board of directors of the Haskell County Youth Livestock Association set the date of the 1968 show, Sat-District Courtroom. They will tions to agriculture, urday, January 20th, according serve three-year terms.

to C. A. Thomas Jr., chairman of the association. "The show Guest speaker was George L. Livestock may be brought to

premiums will be paid in the

m. January 10th.

ter show this year.

day morning.

the time of the fire.

have been caused by faulty wir-

Dr. Montgomery

Rotary Speaker

Thursday Noon

told members of the Rotary Club at last Thursday's noon-

day luncheon meeting at Fel-

ker's Restaurant dining room.

guest speaker.

H. T. Wilkinson, school super-

this year, and covers a 13-county

area covers 47,000 students,'

"Main service of the Center

this year has been a film lib-

rary, but in two or three years

network, pupil diagnostic service and instructional increase,"

ucational Center is to help school

districts unite for services they

arately." the speaker said.

would be unable to obtain sep-

During a brief business ses-

sion, Rotarian voted to sponsor another Scout Troop in Haskell.

son, pastor of the First Metho-

the guest speaker said.

Dr. Montgomery said.

of Houston, A film, "Provider of Plenty," was shown.

sary celebration of the Federal manager.

Ralph Howe of Seymour and Land Bank Association of Hous-J. P. Jones of Munday were ton, Taylor presented the Has-elected directors of the Federal kell group a 50th anniversary Land Bank Association of Has-medal authorized by Congress kell at the anual stockholders and the President of the United meeting Dec. 13 here in the States for outstanding contribu-

George J. Smith, Other directors are O. G. Lew- County farmer who was unable is, president, of Rule; John E. to attend the meeting, will be Nix, vice president, of Anson; presented a medal for his out-Weldon Walker of Stamford and standing contributions to agri-E. H. Burnett of Haskell, culture.

About 75 attended the meet-Taylor, regional manager of the ing. The association covers four Federal Land Bank Association counties, Haskell, Jones, Baylor and Knox. Joe Harper of Haskell is manager and Felix As part of the 50th anniver- Copeland of Seymour is assistant

## OLD MAN WINTER "JUMPS THE GUN", ARRIVES EARLY

the county agricultural agent, Bob Schumann, or their respective vocational agriculture teacher for rules and entry blanks. Deadline for entries is 5:00 p.

Thomas said "that last year's show was a big success. Haskell consisting of rain, mist, sleet and snow Thursday, Friday and County 4-H and FFA members received about \$400 in premiums Saturday iced down this area and we are looking forward to having an even bigger and bet-

Actually the blizzard moved- morning

Although winter does not of- in Wednesday night of last week, ficially arrive until 8:17 a. m., accompanied by showers which Friday, December 22, it was totaled .13; the drizzle, snow, hard to convince Haskellites last mist and sleet Thursday, plus weekend that the frosty-old man a freezing drizzle Friday and had not jumped the gun, so to more showers Saturday, brought speak, and made his appearance another .67 of an inch to bring A conglomeration of weather, inch during the "cold spell," according to Sam Herren, "The Weatherman,"

The temperature dropped to like frosting on mama's coconut 29 degrees Thursday morning; cake. 26 Friday a, m. and 27 Saturday

## 62 Wrecks; Four Killed; 28 Injured In Haskell County Past 11 Months

#### Wiseman And Barnett Make All-Region Band

In the Region II try-outs for All-Region Band that were held recently in Jacksboro, some 400 band members from the region were present for competition. Out of these trying out only 106 The Eddie Sanders five-room were to be selected for placeframe home and furnishings, ment in the All-Region Band. plus utility room, about one-and-Randy Wiseman and Lon one-half miles west of Weinert, Barnett competed for placewas completely destroyed by fire between 6:00 and 7:00 Friment in the band and viltory was their reward. Lon placed eighth chair bass horn, and Randy placed third chair cor-Origin of the blaze was not determined, but was thought to net

By winning the third chair position, Randy will be eligible for All-State Band try-outs Jan-The Sanders were in Wichita uary 20, 1968, at a place yet Falls visiting their daughter and to be decided. He will be in family, the Wayne Offutts', at competition with 14 other cornets reprsenting the three northern regions in Texas. Only five of these 15 cornet players will be placed in the All-State

Band. The All-Region Band will be in concert Saturday night, January 6, 1968, after a grueling two day rehearsal at the University of Texas at Arlington. The concert, held at the University Auditorium, will be a varied and delightful program which should offer music that Are Held For will appeal to all tastes.

### "Education is the Foundation of our society," Dr. Robert A. Montgomery, director of the Educational Center, Abilene, County Library Moved To The Commodity Bldg.

intedent, was in charge of the program, and introduced the The Haskell County Library, which has been located on the 'The Educational Service second floor of the courthouse, Center, in Abilene, was set-up has been moved to its "new by the legislature, in August of home" in the south half of the west end of the Commodity area which is Region 14. This Building across the street east of the Free Press.

In a recent meeting, Commissioners voted in favor of the new location of the library, and the moving process was hope to have processing complished last weekend.

The library is open Wednesday and Friday of each week, with Mrs. Elsie McGee, librar-"The main purpose of the Ed- ian.

#### Stockholders Of Haskell National Bank To Meet

"Prexy" Bob Greenroy presided over the meeting. Invocation was given by J. V. Patterwill be held Tuesday, January son, pastor of the First Metho-9, 1968, at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon in the office of the

Purpose of the meeting is elect a board of directors and transact any other business which may properly come be-fore the meeting.

#### The Texas Highway Patrol investigated eight accidents on rural highways in Haskell County during the month of November, according to Sergeant Frank Jircik, Highway Patrol Supervisor of this area.

These crashes resulted in five persons injured and an estimated property damage of \$5,575.00. The rural accident summary for this county during the first 11 months of 1967 shows a total of 62 accidents resulting in four persons killed, 28 persons injured, and an estimated property damage of \$47,324.00.

What does the traffic picture look like for this Christmas-New Year holiday season? Past records have proven December to be the most deadly month of the year. December, 1966, recorded 351 traffic fatalities.

The Sergeant stated, "It is estimated that 100 persons will be killed in traffic accidents during the Christmas and New Year holidays." The Sergeant also added, "if we are going to be satisfied for a repeat performance of past records se during the month of December, then this holiday season is going to be a very sad one for many people.

## **Final Rites** Michael Duncan

Michael R. Duncan, 31, passed away in the Providence Hospital at Waco at 4:30 a. m., Monday, following brain surgery. erans Hospital at Waco for the purchase gifts they so desired past four years.

Funeral services were held the First Christian Church, Has- of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. kell, with minister, Royce Wood, C. O. Holt. and Dr. Harry Sarles, officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Holden Funeral Home and interment was at Breckenridge.

Survivors include his father Leo C. Duncan, of Haskell; his mother Mrs. Fred Dart of Baldwin Park California; two brothers, Robert, of San Benito, Texas, and William C. Duncan, of Dallas; one sister, Mrs. J.

Williams, of Tustin, Calif. Pallbearers were Roy Wiseman, Roger Moeller, Ira Hester, W. P. Ratliff, Olen King, H. E. Bland, Moreland Glass and Bailey Toliver,

CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS The origin of many Christ-man customs can be traced back to prehistorio times. Some Paan customs were modified to fit into the Christian observances. But, as official Christian Holidays, Christmas and New

Year's had a long struggle to

become firmly established

## Christmas Candlelighting Service To Be Presented At Meth. Church

#### Curtis Hawkins Is Injured In Car Wreck

SP/4 Curtis Hawkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hawkins of Haskell and grandson of Mr. and Mrs.O. W. Vaughn, of Weinert, is in a Dimmitt Hospital for treatment of injuries received in a car wreck on a rainslick highway between Hart and Dimmitt early Thursday morning, December 14th.

Hawkins received a severe shall. blow to his chest from the impact of the steering wheel. A rect the candlelighting ceremony heart specialist who was called followed by the congregation in said the impact to his chest singing "Silent Night.

He was on a 45-day leave, after having spent 18 months in Okinawa and was to report at Sigon at the end of his leave. At last report he was somewhat improved. His mother and sister, Darlene, left by bus last Thursday to be at his bedside. He also has a sister, Mrs. Gary Hufhines, who resides in Dim-

## Jaycees Of The Month Named Tuesday Night

Jerry Weatherly, chairman of the Christmas tree sale; Jesse Priest, "youth shopping spree" chairman, and Frank Jenkins, chairman of the six-man regional football game play-off between Paint Creek and Miles here, were named Jaycees of the month Tuesday night, president, Ben McGee announced.

Prior to the gathering of Jay-

cees, their wives and guests Tuesday night at the Corral building for a Christmas social, underprivileged children thirty were taken on a shopping spree He was a veteran of the Korean by Jaycees. The children were War and had been in the Vet- given \$5.00 each by Jaycees to up to \$5.00. Guests noted at the social

10:00 a. m. Tuesday from were Mr. and Mrs. Rolf Wooten

### Haskell Will Close Dec. 25 And Jan. 1st

Since Christmas and New Year's fall on Monday, Haskell will close shop December 25th in the observance of Christmas and again on Monday, January Cemetery. 1, for New Year's observance. This will give merchants and

employees a two-days' rest (Sunday and Monday) for two weeks in a row.
These holidays were agreed

upon early this year by Haskell

MERRY CHRISTMAS

## Goodfellows Packing Baskets; Confident of Additional Gifts

## WINNERS ARE NAMED IN HOME LIGHTING CONTEST

contest jointly sponsored by the West Texas Utilities Company.

Winner of first place in the Lackey, 901 North 5th, gindow lighting division was All first place prizes were see Anne Frierson, 1101 North given by the West Texas Utiliwindow lighting division was Lee Anne Frierson, 1101 North Avenue F. She received a toast well, 1401 North Ave. J.

First in the door division was Mrs. Bailey Toliver, 1601 North Ave. F. She received a Teflon Chambers of Rochester, griddle. Second place winner of \$5.00 was Mrs. J. E. Walling,

Jr., 1503 North First. First in the yard division was to the lighting contest.

Winners have been announced Mrs. H. C. King, 302 North Ave. in the Christmas home lighting F, who received an ice ejector. Second prize of \$5.00 went to Haskell Business and Profes- Mrs. J. E. Walling, Jr., 1503 sional Women's Club and the North First, and third prize of \$3.00 was awarded Mrs. Cecil

ties Company. Second and third master heater. Second prize of prizes of \$5.00 and \$3.00 were \$5.00 went to Mrs. C. E. Tid-contributed by the Business and contributed by the Business and Professional Women's Club.

Judges were Mrs. Betty Allison of Rule and Mrs. Louise

The B&PW Club and the West Texas Utilities Company expressed thanks for the response

A Christmas candlelighting

service, "The Glorious Light of Christmas," will be presented

at the First Methodist Church,

Sunday, December 24, at 5:00.

Mrs. Kenneth Lane, organist; Miss Millie Holden, soloist; the

Junior Choir, and the congre-

mas as told in Luke 2 will be

read by Jim Kemp.

The story of the first Christ-

Miss Paula Terrell will bring

the Christmas message, "Let's Keep Christmas" by Peter Mar-

Rev. J. V. Patterson will di-

C of C To Hold

Today and Friday

The Chamber of Commerce

Thursday, December 21 and Fri-

day, December 22, and the wel-

come mat is out to all to drop by the C of C office for coffee,

cake or cookies and "fellow-

It was announced at the

board of directors meeting

Tuesday night that Harry Cow-

an, of Austin, regional director

for the United States Chamber

of Commerce, had been obtain-

ed for the Chamber banquet

**Funeral Services** 

For Miss Mondy

10:00 A. M. Today

Miss Ida Mondy, 79, a resident

of Haskell County since 1919,

passed away Tuesday, Decem-

ber 19, at 11:30 a, m. in the

Haskell County Hospital where

she had been a patient for the

past six days. She resided at

804 South First Street, Haskell,

and was a member of the Bap-

Funeral services will be held

this morning, Thursday, Decem-

ber 21, at 10:00 o'clock from

the First Baptist Church, with

in charge of arrangements and

interment will be in Willow

Columbia County, Ark., she came to Haskell in 1919 with her

family from Desdemona in East-

ther. Ellis Mondy and one sis-

Pallbearers will be Sam

Parks, Sam Fought, Allie Kerr,

Travis Solomon Jr., Jesse Dean,

Survivors include one

ter, Cleo Mondy of Haskell.

Born November 29, 1888, in

tist Church,

land County.

slated February 23rd.

"Open House"

will hold "open house"

ship.

Music will be presented by

fidence that additional gifts between now and this weekend would be sufficient to under-write cost of the Christmas baskets, which will exceed \$1,000. Lions have been busily en-gaged the past few days assort-

ing and packing baskets which will be delivered on Saturday morning, December 23. Prev. acknowledged . \$250.26 Latest contributions follow:

In memory of Lon Pate ..\$15.00 Mr. and Mrs. W. H. 

Frierson .......\$ 5.00 In honor of Mrs. Maurice Gannaway, Gary Frier-

Mrs. Lynn Pace, Sr. \$1.00
Mrs. Lynn Pace, Sr. \$15.00
Michael Medley, in honor
of Mrs. Toliver \$1.00
Mr. and Mrs. V. P.
Terrell and Paula \$10.00 Janice and Pace O'Neal .. \$10.00

Mr. and Mrs. H. Russell

and Cynthia ...... \$ 5.00 Anonymous ..... \$ 1.00 Lyles Jewelry ......\$ 5.00 Mr. and Mrs. Hill Oates \$10.00 Bus, Men's Bible Class...\$50.00 was at a reference to the Senior High Sunday School Mr. and Mrs. Royce

Adkins .....\$10.00 Haskell Free Press .....\$15.00 The community is cordially Anonymeus ..... \$ 1.00 invited to participate in this hour of Christmas Eve worship. Connie Turnbow, in honor of Mrs. Foote ......\$ 1.00 Mr. and Mrs. H. Withers \$ 5.00

Mrs. J. R. McMillen ....\$10.00 Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hester \$ 5.00 Lane-Felker ......\$10.00 West Texas Power Plant Employees Fund .....\$50.00. Mr. and Mrs. G. V.

Middlebrook, in memory of Gena Lynn.....\$25.00 Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Montgomery and Suzie ......\$ 5.00 Mayfield's Bible Class of First Christian Church.. \$ 8.00 First Christian Church....\$25.00 Total (to press time)....\$614.26

## Lions View Safety Film Tuesday Noon

"No Accident" was the title of a very timely film produced by the Ford Motor Company and shown at the Tuesday noon-day luncheon session of the Haskell Lions Club. Wallace Cox, Jr., was program chairman for the

Objective of the film is acci-dent prevention. The research program underway by Ford Motor Company is to build greater automobile safety in the future. The film not only pointed out the need of vehicle safety, but also the need for safety design in roads.

chairman of Royce Adkins, the Lions Goodfellow project, stated that assorting and packing of the boxes for less fortunate families at Christmastime, was underway and the boxes would be delivered Saturday morning, December 23.

Tuesday was "Dollar Day, and each member "chipped-in" an extra dollar for the Goodfel-Rev. Culpepper, pastor, officiat-ing. Holden Funeral Home is low fund

Due to the Christmas and New Year holldays, Lions vot-ed not to meet the next two Tuesday's, December 26 or January 2. Next meeting will be

Tuesday, January 9th. E. W. Pruett, president, presided over the meeting. Royce Wood led the singing with Lucy Kennedy at the piano. Invocation was also given by minister

Club members presented Lucy Kennedy with a gift in appre-ciation of her loyalty and fine work as pianist.



# INTEREST

#### Mary SS Class Annual Christmas Program Is Held

Wednesday evening at 3:00 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Sam Cobb, for their annual Christmas program, A beautiful, silver Christmas tree was the center of attraction with each member bringing their gifts to be drawn,

Mrs. Wilma Brown, vice-president, was in charge of the program, opening song, Night," was sung by the group.

Mrs. Jewel Cadenhead brought the devotional, which was the Christmas story from Luke, 2nd chapter. A special, "O Come All Ye Faithful," was sung by Stella Josselet and Flossie Rogers. Mrs. John Fouts told of the display of figurines as an illus-Mrs. Swenson each read a poem, which was in keeping with the program. The program closed with all singing, "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Refreshments were served by roup No. 2 to the following Mmes. John Fouts, Stella Jos selet, Flossie Rogers, Allie Ford, John McMillin, Vera Couch, Al Cousins, D. A. Jones, C. C. Middleton, W. E. Adkins, Barney Swenson, Jim Fouts, one and the hostess, Mrs. Sam Cobb.

#### Homemakers Christmas Social Held Mon. Night

The Haskell Chapter of Young couple Homemaking Cottage at which The bride, given in marriage time gifts were exchanged.

casion were Mmes. David Frierpeau de soie, featuring elbow son. Jerry Sorrells, Waymond sleeves of re-embroidered Alen-Lonnie Hise, Raymond Bennett, collar-Jerry Weatherly, Roger Weath- Her illusion veil fell to chapel Johnny Isaaes, Charles Thorn- while prayer book hill, W. H. McCollum, Jimmy Mrs. Cecile Hutcherson was McGee and Frankie Jenkins. Cloutier, was bridesmaid.

Members voted to use the They were gowned alik

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"Let There Be Peace On Earth" Theme of P.T.A. Program December 13

Elementary cafetorium. Opening prayer was read with the addience participating.

also their Lottie Moon offerings, pantomine skit given by the two presents to their teachers. The combined kindergarten classes. The children were dressed in "Silent white robes with red wings and each carried a little red harp cash donation to the Goodfellows Mrs. Gannaway read the story The Littlest Angel", and the children did pantomine and song

to the story. Rev. R. D. Williams introduced Mrs. M. Gannaway, Kinder- of 35 birth of Jesus, using a beautiful garten teacher. She and parents ration. Mrs. Stella Josselet and henorees for the Dec. 13 meet- ing was adjourned by Mrs. Cox.

A letter of resignation from next PTA meeting January 17.

The Mary Sunday School class

The Eirst Bantist Church met of the First Baptist Church, met nesday. Dec. 13, at 3:00 in the ing there will be an election for

a new president. Treasurer, Mrs. Wood, reported a balance of \$906.74.

The meeting was then turned . The citizenship committee reover to Mrs. Gannaway for the ported th at this Christmas, afternoon program. The pro- Elementary teachers have askgram was a most impressive ed that the children do not bring committee suggested that if the children still would like to do something, they could make a and a gaily wrapped present, in honor of their teacher, This could be done by leaving the contribution and name at the Free Press office.

Room count was won by the kindergarten class with a total

Refreshments were served by of kindergarten children were the kindergarten mothers, Meet-Everyone was invited to the

Joe Edwin Coulter of Freeport

D. Adams of Shreveport seated

For her daughter's wedding,

length dress of deep teal blue

wool with a rolled collar and

featuring a back panel. Mrs.

Cousins, mother of the groom,

was attired in a champagne

double knit wool ensemble, high-

smoke ring scarf at the neck.

the guests.

#### COUSINS-SCHERMERHORN VOWS SAID IN SHREVEPORT, LA.

The First Methodist Church of Shreveport, La., was the set- was the best man, Larry Stanting for the marriage of Miss ley of Freeport served as the Jane Schermerhorn and Joseph Edward Cousins, both of Freevisitor, Mrs. Jewel Cadenhead port, at 10:30 a. m. on Saturday,

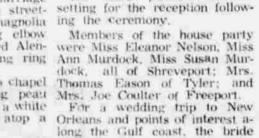
The bride is the daughter of Mrs. L. T. Cloutier Jr., and T. both of Schermerhorn Jr. Shreveport, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Cousins of Brazoria are parents of the bridegroom.

Dr. D. L. Dykes led the in their double ring Homemakers Christmas social vows Thomas Peyton provided was held Monday night in the nuptial selections at the organ.

by her father, wore a street-Present for the delightful oc- length, A-line gown of magnolia Jimmy Browning, con lace, and a wedding ring

erford, Albert Roberts, Harvey length from a matching peau Croft, Jerry McWilliams, Bob de soie bow. She carried a white Greenroy, Sonny Reynolds, orchid and stephanotis atop a

Hannsz, Frankie Mullins, Elton her sister's matron of honor. Klose, Jon L. Jameson, Ben Another sister, Miss Renee'



changed into a three-piece designer suit of pale blue wool. On return, Mr. and Mrs. Cou-

\$7.50

\$12.50

They were gowned alike in

Sins will be at home at 310 Yaupon, Apt. 36, in Freeport, \$35.00 won on the Christmas deep coral peau de soie styled float for a needy family. She attended the University of Arkansas, graduated from CHRISTMAS in Freeport

The groom, the grandson of tachments included.

Mrs. Al Cousins of Haskell, attended Aivin Junior College and employed as office manager for C. Wallace Industrial Con-

ANNOUNCE BIRTH

A daughter. Annette, weighing 7 lbs., 10% oz., was born Sunday. December 17th, at 6:41 a. m. at Baylor Hospital in Dallas, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred D. Brown, Jr.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Landess, of Brownfield, and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fred

Brown, Sr., of Haskell, Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Landess, Mrs. Ann Gordon and Mrs. Angie Mullins, all of Haskell.



GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: In honor of the Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. White, Mr. and Mrs. Scott White, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Haynie, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Cannon, request the pleasure of your company, Saturday, the 23rd of December, at "open house" from two until four o'clock, at the groomsman. James D. Matthews of Houston and Richard Fellowship Hall, Methodist Church, Rochester.

#### Mr. and Mrs. L. B. White To Observe 50th Wedding Anniversary, Dec. 23rd Mrs. Cloutier chose a street-

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. White, of Texas, and arrived in Rule on Rochester, will celebrate their New Year's Day, 1918. Golden Wedding Anniversary, Saturday, Dec. 23, at open house from two until four o'clock at the Fellowship Hall, Methodist Church, Rochester.

lighted with a multi-colored Both Mr. and Mrs. White The church parlor was the were born in Falls County near Haskell County with his parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. S. B.

White, at the age of four. Mrs. White, the former Mary Scott, lived in Falls County until 1918. They met in the sum- members of the Methodist mer of 1916 and were married Church in Rochester, where they December 23, 1917 in Eddy, attend regularly,

Mr. White was inducted in the service of World War I on August 3, 1918 and was sent to France and was on the battle front on the night of November 11, 1918, Armistice Day, He re-Eddy and Mr. White came to ceived his discharge in June of that year.

Mr. and Mrs. White have made their home for the past 50 years on their farm between Rochester and Rule. They are

## CHRISTMAS HINTS FROM THE HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENT

and teaches first grade at O. can be speeded up with a hair Paint Creek 4-H.

A. Fleming Elementary School dryer, Many new ones are on Club Elects. the market with manicure at-

Help her get full value by making sure that she reads the instructions for use and care, recommends Ruth Ann Fansler, County Home Demonstration

Safety precautions should be emphasized. Remind her that she should never take a bath while drying her hair with a dryer. With a portable dryer she can perform any household task, but not those using water.

Anyone who likes to get organized will appreciate a closet set caddy for Christmas. Fabric 1968. Meetings will be held on caddies can hang in school loc- the first Thursday of every kers and kitchen cabinets. You month at 12:50. New members butlers and carry-all bags in the the County Extension Agents car. To make a caddy, all you talked to the club members asign on the heavy background poultry fabric. Sew a casing at the top ing a curtain rod. For hanging, sive club year, tie a length of yarn or braid to either end of the rod.

For a quick punch reconstitute frozen orange juice concentrate with ginger ale instead of wa-Serve with orange slices and cherries on a swizzle stick.

Bringing up a cook in your family? How about a Christmas present just for her new role Give her very own cooking outfit an apron, potholder, per-haps a bowl or cookie sheet, and her cookbook. Several books are out now especially designed for the young cook. They have simple recipes, cute ideas and are easy reading. And don't for-get Dad's little helper with outdoor cooking. He might like an apron, mitten potholder and some utensils himself.

For best cooking to conserve food nutrients remember these Reduce amount of water, Reduce cooking time, Reduce the amount of surface area ex-

Lazy Wrapping: When wrapping gifts, place a lazy susan in the center of the table and put seals, tape, scissors and other items in the various compartments. Several members of the family can work around the table and have wrapping materials within reach.

Accident-Proofing Toys: Parents should know these major Misuse-toys should be used as directed by their maker; Re-use of toys a toy safe for one child may be dangerous for another. Check toys periodically for any worn broken parts that could be

## New Officers

The Paint Creek 4-H Club met Rice Alvis, December 12th. recently at the school to elect their officers for the new year, according to club reporter, Ricky Brazell, Officers elected Mrs. Stockton, or the 1968 4-H year are as folows: Bob Mickler, President; Steve LeFevre, Vice President: Joe Mickler, Secretary; Jeweldean Brach, Treasurer; Ricky

Walton and Marcia Overton. A regular meeting date was to hold club meetings in also can use them as bedside filled out enrollment sheets and need is a rectangle of heavy cot- bout projects selection. Many the home of Laura Overton reton fabric and some scraps of members decided to have var-bright cotton prints. Make poc- ious livestock projects. Other party. The Christmas story was in different sizes and member's projects will be clothstitch them in a patchwork de- ing, foods and nutrition, and

Brazell, Reporter; Terry Wal-

ton, Recreation Leader. County

4-II Council Delegates will be

and Joe Mickler, Terry

The Paint Creek 4-H club is

CARD SCENE

Moses have become popular.

### Social Is Held In Alvis Home

Class of the South Side Baptist Church held their annual Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Scripture of the birth

Christ was read by Mrs. Gerald Saffel, and an appropriate Christmas poem was read by

Present for the delightful occasion were Mrs. John Stockton, Mrs. Nuckles, Gerald Saffel, Mrs. Hise, Mrs. Cariker,

Colene Moody and Maryann. Mr. and Mrs. Alvis served

### Club Meets For Christmas Party

The Center Point Club met in read by Janie Whiteker and Doris Hannsz led the group in prayer. Several Christmas Carfabric. Sew a easing at the top The Paint Creek 4-H club is ols were led by Sallie Patter-of the finished caddy for insert-looking forward to a progression and Janie Whiteker. Christmas readings were given by

Refreshments were served to the following: Mmes. W. E. far the most popular Johnson, Lil Davis, Eva Pear-Christmas card illustration is sey, Emma Bland, Janie Whitthe Nativity scene. Next to that eker, Sallie Patterson, Velma is winter scenes. In recent years. Jetton, Dorris Hannsz, Eva the illustrations of Grandma Cain, Zada Smith and hostess, Laura Overton.



Our sincerest good wishes that you may enjoy a Merry Christmas and all the good fortune to make your New Year & Happy one.

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#### Three Members of The Haskell Young Homemakers Receives High Honors

for two members of the Haskell

Mrs. Jimmy Browning, mother of three boys, Jim. Joseph and Robert. She is active in civic endeavors, teaches a class in the Presbyterian Church and a member of same, a substitute teacher in the Haskell Ele-

Mrs. Jerry Sorrells, the mo-

Congratulations are in order Haskell Public School; she also is active in church work, a Young Homemakers who were member of the First Baptist selected 'Outstanding Young Church and a member of the Women of America.' Haskell Chapter of Young Homemakers.

Also congratulations go to another member, Mrs. Lonnie Hise, who was selected third in the Make-It-With-Wool Contest. She is active in civic endeavors mentary School, and a member of the Haskell Chapter of the Young Homemakers.

And has six sons, Vonnie, Lonnie, Donnie, Ronnie, Monnie and Johnnie, She is a hairdresser and owns and operates Gerther et one daughter, Tammy, aldine's Beauty Salon and is a is secretary to Hooper member of the East Side Bap-nson, Superintendent of tist Church.

go of Haskell and parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Berry of Haskell and

The bride wore a champagne

colored, wool knit suit. She car-

The bride is a graduate of

Haskell High School; attended North Texas State University

and a January graduate of Tex-

The groom is a graduate of

Weinert High School and attend-

ed Texas Technological College,

Lubbock. He will resume study

ple reside at 1712 Avenue X,

at B&M Vending, Lubbock

The bridegroom is employed

at the University of Texas at Ar-

as Technological College.

### Sego-Berry Vows Solemnized At Lubbock, Friday, December 15th Ginlay, officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Henry Se-

Weinert

Lubbock.

ried yellow roses.

Wedding vows were repeated by Miss Judy Kay Sego and Jay David Berry at 1:00 p. m., Friday, December 15, in the College Avenue Baptist Church, Lubbock, with Rev. James Mc-

#### Fidelis SS Class Annual Christmas Social Held Mon.

The Fidelis Class met Monday night. December 18th, for their annual Christmas social in the home of Brytis Chamberlin.

The home was beautifully decorated with red and white poinsettia and many other beautiful Christmas decorations, including a white Christmas tree with twinkling lights. The table was set with table cloth with red and white flowers and centerpiece of red and white poinsettias with candles.

Guests were met at the door by the hostess, each bringing a salad and gift. Supper was serv-

The devotional was given by the teacher, Mrs. R. L. Foote. The theme was about Mary, The Great Day. Outstanding scriptures were

Matt., 1 chap., 19-21. Luke, 1 chap., 46-56

Gifts were distributed from the Christmas tree to the following: Mmes. R. L. Foote, Juanita Rhea, Oleta Sorenson, Mamie Wheatley, Veta Furrh, Cora Pierson, Mae Bledsoe, Mrs. Tanner, Ethel Sego, Nellie Ash, Gladys Merchant, Ruby Coggins. Iola Everett and the hostess, Brytis Chamberlin.

## Dorcas Class

The Doreas Sunday School

cake, coffee and punch to members and a visitor, Mrs. Bass-

## Center Point

members of the club.



#### 'Press' Employ Gather For An Christmas Soci

Mr. and Mrs. Jetty V honored Haskell Free employees with a dinn urday night in their hor North Avenue E.

Decorations emphasiz Christmas season, and were distributed from a lighted tree.

A turkey dinner was to the following: Mr. and Al Hinds; Mr. and Mrs. Abeldt; Mr. and Mrs. Weatherford and sons Weatherford and sons Johnny and David; Mrs. Phelps; Verlene Rueffer, Huss and Mr. and Mrs.

#### Mattson H. D. Club Meets In Struck Home

The Mattson Home stration Club met in the of Mrs. Mattie Struck, ber 11, at 2:00 p. m. Christmas party.

Jill Palmer, of Plainview, was maid of honor. Jim Heffington, of Littlefield, served as best Gus Rueffer and the de was given by Mrs. Struck. Nine members ed to roll call as follow Mattie Struck, Mrs. C. C. bell, Mrs. Claude Stamp Henry Smith, Mrs. Gus Mrs. Milbert Opitz, Mrs ard Weise, Mrs. George and Mrs. Joe Davis, Each mamber brough

for a Christmas box to b to a family. Member brought gifts to exchan Refreshments were se Mrs. Struck, and the Following a wedding trip to adjourned with a "Merry Ruidosa, New Mexico, the cou- mas to All."

DISCOLORED 6 3/4 en box of 500, \$1.00. Hask

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thousands of tiny blinking lights set this Christmas tent of the Seagram Building, New York's famous peraper on Park Avenue.



By Sam Smith In the shallow depth of a jungle foxbole, the Christmas spirit is a hard thing to come by. In fact, if it wasn't for some wise guy, like the "preacher" over there, you wouldn't even know what day it was, as if it made any difference.

Lost. Cut off from your company. Burrowed down in a muddy hole that the enemy may any moment come to reclaim for his own, you can but gaze up at an empty night sky and try to close your ears against monotonous sound of his voice,

" And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem (because he was of the house and lineage of David) .

Nuts. It must be near daylight. We've been in this hole for hours. Seems more like months, though, what with "the kid" over there calling for his mama when he's asleep and crying out loud when he's a-And Preacher, him reciting just like he was reading it out of a book, How does a guy get like that, anyhow?

"... With Mary his esponsed wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered

Boy! Fat chance we got being delive d from here. Five will get you ten we've been marked off already. Operation mess-up, that's us. What starts off as a simple patrol winds up a one-way ticket out of the war out of the whele picture. Why should they take us prisoners? The way they move around, we'd be too much excess bag-

Look at Sarge. Is he worried? How can you tell? That lump of tobacco in his left jaw hasn't moved in an hour or two. Neither has his eyes. If I couldn't hear him breathing I'd think he was dead. Well, come tomorrow morning

"... And she brought forth her first born Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes. and laid Him in a manger: because there was no room

for them in the inn." No room in this cottonpickin' foxhole either. Reb, there, snoring like he was safe at home in a feather bed. That guy could sleep on a rock pile. First in line for chow and pay, first of all to hit the hay. Nice guy, though. Maybe he has the right attitude. Why worry? Not much you can do about things. Just rock along, get your share of everything you can, speak only when spoken to, don't volunteer

for nothin' "...And there were in the same country shepherds abid-ing in the field, keeping watch over their flocks by night."

And keeping watch is what they're doing out there. Wonder how close they are? Surely they know close they are? Surely they know we're here. They broke off the search at twilight, but you can bet they're not far. Come daylight, they'll zero in on us, for sure. We haven't got

'And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone

There she comes. That first break in the sky, Can't be long now. The trees are beginning to take shape. I know I can see movement. There's no breeze, Too big to be a bird. It is; it must be; it is them.

"Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all peo-

That cooks us. It's broad day-light now, This is it. Wake up, you heavy-eyed sky-jumpers,

you're about to be pounced on. 'Hey, hey, you guys, heads down. There's mail coming in. It's ours. Listen to them mortars bang. Hey, Sarge! Reb! Kid! Hey, Preach! Look up! Look up! Choppers, man, chop-Come on here, you whirleybirds! Merry Christmas, you egg-beaters, Merry Christ-mas to one and all!"

#### BASIL CAKES

On New Year's the Swedes serve a meal that is much like the Christmas feast. It begins with many appetizers, followed by lutfisk, served with cream sauce, boiled potatoes, ham, and their special rice pudding. In Switzerland housewives pride themselves on a distinctive bread, containing milk, butter, eggs, raisins, as well as other

ingredients. For years it was the habit of an Austrian family to serve a big noon-time dinner. The Hungarians, at their New Year's feast, served a roasted pig, with four-leaf clover or an apple in its mouth, as the chief article

of food. Greek women bake cakes" (the Feast of St. Basil falls on January 1.), while dressed in their best attire. Even wealthy ladies, when bak-ing such cakes, don their fin-est jewelry.

#### WATCH NIGHT

At the Watch Night service in New York's noted Riverside church, there is an 'hour of significance"; then the carillon in the tower announces the arrival of the New Year. This is a great contrast to the noisy observance in Times Square, but both are typical of the way the United states heralds the coming year. No doubt how one celebrates, he will wish with William Cullen Bryant: "The good old year is past, oh be the new as kind!



CAVE SCENE . . . Television crews are shown shooting night scenes for the Christmas special "Christ is Born" in one of the many caves in the Holy Land representative of the ones in which christ was born. Many of the caves were and are still used as stables.



FUN FOR KIDS . . . Make-and-play toys are high on the oungsters' gift lists this holiday season. One such unit enables kids to make all sorts of creepy people and things, using a plastic liquid that is heated and poured into a mold. The heating unit is UL-approved.



Since Christmas is traditionally a season of joy and happiness, special consideration should be given to the "do" and "don't" safety rules we should observe year-round. Don't get carefree and increase the possi-

bility of an unhappy accident. First, decorate wisely. Do not use cotton, paper or any flammable material when you trim the family tree. Do not place electric trains or other electric powered devices around the tree. Metalic tinsel falling across the track could create a short circuit and cause the train transformer to burn.

Be sure that all toys are of nonflammable materials. Some imported toys are made of nitrocellulose (which looks like celluloid or plastic) and this material burns with surprising ferocity.

Choose only electrical toys and tree lighting sets which are laboratory approved.

Do not use lighted candles near the tree, or in windows. It's a good buy if it is ade-Keep curtains or any other quate in size and durable in flammable naterial at windows construction. It should be easy pulled back at least 6 inches to clean, and immersible. It from any electric candles or

carton handy and dispose of pliance. all gift wrappings promptly. If it is a good buy, it will Don't let them pile up around also carry a warranty or the tree, near the fireplace, or guarantee. any heating device.

Have yourself a happy, ac-cident-free holiday.

#### BANNOCKS IN IRELAND

Bannocks, with holes in them. like our doughnuts, are made especially for New Years in County Antrim, Ireland, The Scots prepared "hot pot," spice, sweetened ale, sometimes with spirits added; when the clock struck midnight, the family drank together

#### CHRISTMAS PRAYER

St. Francis of Assisi is credited with making popu-lar the Christmas Nativity scene. He is also author of a

scene. He is also author of a prayer inspired by the Christmas spirit:

"Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love. Where there is injury, pardon. Where there is doubt, faith. Where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love. For it is ingiving as to love. For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are par-doned. And it is in dying that we are born in Eternal

## Small Appliance May Be Good Gift

A small electrical appliance is an excellent gift — if it is something the recipient needs and will use.

should also bear the Underwriters Laboratories seal of ap-On Christmas day, keep a proval, both on cord and ap-

#### Twelfth Night End Of Season

There are many ancient and nodern rituals surrounding the observance of the Twelfth Night or Epiphany, January 6, which marks the end of the Christmas holiday season.

Epiphany was first observed in memory of the baptism of Christ. It was first mentioned in A.D. 194 and by the 4th Century was a widely accepted holiday. Today, Epiphany has a three-fold meaning; the visit of the Wise men to Jesus; the baptism of Jesus; and the miracle at Cana when Jesus changed water to wine at the wedding feast.

In 9th century England, King Alfred decreed that the Christmas season would include Christmas day and the 12 days following.
The Twelfth Night cake,

along with the tradition of burning Christmas greenery on January 6, was in vogue when Charles II ascended the throne.

Latin peoples regard Epiph-any as not only a solemn religious festival but also the beginning of the pre-Lenten carnival season. Mexican observance of Epiphany includes a march of the devout to the shrine of the miraculous Lord of Chalma in a valley south-west of Mexico City.

A January 6 ritual at Tar-

pon Springs, Florida, involves blessing of the Greek sponge divers and casting of a gold crucifix into the waters to signify the baptism of Christ.

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## SAGERTON NEWS

stamford was honored with a and fall at the Will Stegemoeller party in honor of her 80th birthhouse Saturday about noon. day Sunday, December 17, in Luckity no one was hurt. the home of her daughter, Mrs. Melvin Lewis, She was eighty on Monday, Dec. 18, and has lived in Sagerton and Stamford for over 50 years. Her other for over 50 years. Her other three daughters were also to be hostesses, but only one. Mrs. Jimmy Vasek, of Lubbock, was able to come because of the icy roads. The other daughters, Mrs. Tullie Herring and Mrs. T. C. Herring, both of Amarillo, could not make it.

Those assisting in the serving were: Mrs. Elmer Boedeker, Mrs. Anton Teichelman, Mrs. E. J. Neinast and Mrs. J. D. Kupatt

Approximately 50 guests registered.

Larry LeFevre is home for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert LeFevre, from his classes at McMurry in Abilene, Larry accompanied several members of the Indian track team to an indoor track meet at Monroe, Louisiana Saturday. He placed fifth in the quarter mile. It was his first indoor track meet and it took 2% laps to make a quarter

Mr. and Mrs. Yater Benton of Fort Worth visited with Mr. and Mrs. M. Y. Benton and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark last

weekend. The home of Mrs. Ewell Kittley was the scene of the Stitch and Chatter Club Christmas party Tuesday, Dec. 12. The devotion and a Christmas poem were read by Mrs. Pete Kittley and Mrs. Ewell Kittley. Club pals were revealed and gifts exchanged from the Christmas child? tree. Mrs. Fay Gibson of Rule new member

N. Sheid, Mrs. Will Dedmon, ior or sister to "run around in." Mrs. Fay Gibson, Mrs. Pete Kittley and the hostess.

mer, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Le- and pans in the kitchen. Fevre, Mrs. John Clark, Cliff The plain truth is t

Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Ulmer went to Abilene Sunday to visit best gifts. Rather than expenwith his brother, Ray, who is a sibe gifts, children just might patient at Hendricks Memorial appreciate some of the intangi-Hospital, suffering with a bro-ble gifts parents used to give. ken hip he received when he tell Time spent together, at play, on the ice while working at at learning a new skill or a new Hamlin Friday.

The ice forming on the elec-

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Emma Lammert of tric lines caused a pole to break Stamford was honored with a and fall at the Will Stegemoeller

## SANTA CLAUS

I have been a good girl and here is what I would like to

have for Christmas: Baby Hungry Lucky Locket Kiddles

Doll Buggy Vacuum Cleaner you can bring these I would like them. If you can't find all

of them, please bring me a surprise. Please bring all the poor kids something.

Thank you,

Dear Santa. I have been a good boy and here is what I would like to

have for Christmas: Football set Fright factory

Road racing set Rifle

Also bring my little brother. Chris, some good toys.

Thank you,



What is the best gift for a

Where many parents are was a visitor, and became a concerned, the "best gift" is the most expensive one they can Those present were: Mrs. afford. Maybe it is the bicycle, Cliff LeFevre, Mrs. Etta Leach. because dad "didn't have one Mrs. Oscar Gibson, Mrs. Ben when I was young." Maybe it Hess, Mrs. John Clark, Mrs. R. is a new or a used car for jun-

The best gift for the very Sagerton Methodist Church young is something to enjoy. ladies entertained their hus. Youngsters aren't impressed bands at a Christmas party in with price tags. They don't care the Delbert LeFevre home on whether a gift costs \$49.50 or Wednesday night, Dec. 13. Pres-\$4.95. It must amuse them, ent were: Mr. and Mrs. Reece else they are likely to toss it Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Ul-aside and play with the pots

The plain truth is that, at LeFevre, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Christmastime, too many par-Clark and the host and hostess, ents have a tendency to try to
Mrs. Emil Kainer was taken make up for all the things they to the Stamford Memorial Hospital last weekend after she fell by giving them expensive material possessions. terial possessions.

These are not always the game. A bit of togetherness, doing things as a family group. A helping hand, whether with a job that needs doing, or a problem that needs

A bit of family togetherness - isn't this, perhaps, the best gift of all?



WOODARD FARM SALES

#### HOME-MADE CHRISTMAS WREATH



PRETTY PACKAGES are only one use for colorful aluminum gift wrap. It can also be turned into a variety of bright holiday decorations, advises The Aluminum Association. This Christmas wreath is made by pleating strips of aluminum wrap of contrasting colors and patterns, pasting them to a eardboard backing, and adding a ribbon. It's a quick and easy way to add seasonal color to the home.

#### Make Holiday Decorating Fun For The Entire Family



We all think back now and then sentimentally to the "good old days." And we remember that everything did not come ready made. Well, here's a wonderful suggestion on how to get everyone in the family wrapped up in Christmas and holiday decorating and to give the kids a glimpse of how much fun it used to be—and still can be. Make your OWN decorations.

This basic dough will help you work wonders on centerpieces, candle holders, tree trimmings, wreaths, even gifts. All you need (plus some imagination) is:

4 cups flour 1 cup high-quality table salt 11/2 cups water

Mix the ingredients (do not double or halve) well with fingers, adding more water if too stiff.

Now put everybody to work forming original sculptures. For assistance you might try cookie cutters, knife, fork, spoon, rolling pin, toothpick or what have you. Form larger pieces around wire skeletons or other supports. Paper clips or hair pins make excel-

Bake the finished work for at least one hour at 350° (test for doneness with a toothpick). After allowing time for cooling, everyone can pitch in again on the decorating. Use water colors, poster paints, food coloring or felt tip pens, with finishing touches fashioned from small fruits, nuts, berries, candles, buttons, glitter, yarn, ribbon or bits of felt.

For more recipes, hints and ideas to get artistic projects using blue package table salt going at any time of the year (especially welcome when youngsters are weathered in—or are under the weather) write to Goop Accessories, Dept. 22, 110 North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois, 60606.

Salt sculpturing is creative fun that gets the whole family involved, and your genuine "originals" will last—with care—for

## Holiday Bread And Muffins



There's plenty of colorful sparkle and luscious flavor in orange-There's plenty of colorful sparkle and luscious flavor in orange-cramberry bread and muffins, both made from the same recipe. Sweet Plorida orange juice teams with tart "marsh rubies"—more familiarly known as cramberries—for a loaf to serve with alternoon tea and a dozen muffins that will disappear in the twinkling of an eye at Sunday breakfast.

As the loaf may be frozen, why not bake several to have on hand for holiday gifting? Party hostesses, friends and neighbors would love a taste treat and made yourself!

love a taste treat you made yourself!

Orange-Cranberry Bread And Muffins 1/2 cup shortening, melted

cups flour cups sugar teaspoons baking powder teaspoon baking soda

eggs, well beaten 2 tablespoons grated orange rind 2 cups coarsely chopped fresh cranberries 2 teaspoons salt 1½ cups fresh Florida orange

Sift together flour, sugar, baking powder, soda and salt. Add orange juice, shortening, eggs and grated rind. Stir with fork just to dampen. Carefully fold in cranberries. Pour ½ batter into greased 9 x 5 x 3-inch loaf pan. Bake in 350°F, oven for about 1½ hours or until loaf tests done. Garnish with orange slices, if desired. Spoon remaining batter into greased 2½-inch muffin tins. Bake in 350°F, oven for 20 to 25 minutes or until muffins test done. YIELD: I loaf and 12 muffins.

Note: Loaf may be frozen if desired.

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### **OFFICE PARTY**

By Ellen Carroll

Harry Jones began to edge toward the doorway. The office Christmas party had almost reached the critical point. Mr. Leathers had positioned himself before the tree and was rapping on the table before him with the golden pen his employees has presented to him the previous year. Now he would present gifts to each employee and in return require them to tell everyone how they planned to spend the Christmas holidays.

This year. Harry was going to balk. For the 15 years he had worked for Leathers and Company his Christmas speech had been proud, short and deliberate: "I'm going to visit my family and friends in New Lon-

For fineen years, Harry had lived with his lie. Harry had no family. He had no friends. Each holiday season he had secreted himself in his room at the YM-CA, afraid to venture into the streets lest someone see him and Leathers & Company, which was his entire world, would become aware he hadn't gone anywhere at all, and that he was a liar and a fraud.

Harry had almost reached the door when Mr. Leathers looked him in the eye. "You may help me, if you will, Harry, I'll call the names and you pass out the present. This will cut down on the traffic and everyone will remain comfortable.

"Yes, sir," Harry responded, stumbling forward, stepping on the instep of Carol Whitley in the process. Carol let out a scream and the office resounded with laughter. Harry had done it again. Harry never did anything right.

"I'm sorry," Harry said, to no one in particular, too embarrassed to apologize to Carol, who was obviously more embarrassed than injured.

Harry suffered through the presentation of gifts. What things his friends had planned to do! Here size in the state of the to do! How nice it would be to visit grandma on the farm, to take the wife and kids to Ski Valley, or just to stay home and exchange gifts by the fire-

And then, it was Harry's turn. He accepted his present with a mumbled, "Thank you, Mr. Leathers," and hoped the matter would end there. But Mr. Leathers persisted.

'As if I didn't know, Harry, what are your plans for the

Harry swallowed hard, "I'm going to ... No. I'm not. I'm going, as usual, to my room at the 'Y'. I have no family. I have lied to you peo my friends, for 15 years. never been anywhere for Christmas. Maybe I will go somewhere this year.. if no where else, to church. But, I won't hide to make you think I have gone somewhere.

You could hear a pin drop. Spontaneously, everyone ap-plauded, Mr. Leathers the loudest of all. 'Come to see us, "Yes spend your holiday

with us. "The latch is out at our house, Harry.

Mr. Leathers raised his hands for silence. "I think, Harry, we always knew. But we could do no more than play your game. Mrs. Leathers and I would be delighted to have you join us for Christmas dinner. You need not accept now. We'll discuss it later. We have one more

"It's mine." Carol Whitley said. "And, if you don't mind, I'll come and get it. I don't want Harry stepping on my feet

"And, what will you do for holiday?" Mr. Leathers asked.

Carol looked knowingly at Harry. I have a very old friend, who, like myself, has no one to visit, no place to go. If he agrees, we shall have Christ-

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#### mas dinner together at the best restaurant in town. Everyone applauded. "That is," Carol added laugis-

ingly, 'provided he agrees to walk at least two paces behind

Everyone laughed. And every-one agreed it had been an excellent Christmas party.

## Tree Of Nineties Was Simple

Ever wonder just what oldtimers were talking about when they spoke of a "real old-fashloned Christmas tree?"
Back in the 1890's, it seems,

Christmas trees were both charming and simple. At the very top of the tree

was a gilded, sparkling star. The branches were adorned with such things as streamers, flags, popcorn and cranberries strung together, chains of gold and silver paper, candles in holders (we don't recommend this, seems a fire hazard), pep-permint canes, strips of gold paper, Santa Claus dolls, angels and cornucopias ("horns of plenty") filled to the brim with candies.

Hard candies like sourballs and peppermint canes were the typical "penny candies" of the Nineties. The canes were placed right on the tree, the sourballs either hung in little bags or used to stuff the gifts such as wagons and drums at the base of the tree.

#### TIME'S MARCH

The New Year is born at the starting point of time, the Admiralty's date line, near the Chatham Islands in New Zealand. From this point, the line curves east and west of the 180th meridian in such a way that it lies always in the ocean. Leaving the islands, the New Year moves to Australia, Asia, Europe and most of South America before it reaches American shores at Maine. It takes three more hours for it to reach California.

#### MISTLETOE KISS

Ancient Druids believed mistletoe was given to the goddess of love and therefore every woman passing beneath it was kissed, Today, it is popular be-lief that any woman who stands Mr. Smythe presents to himself beneath the mixtleton invites a cook washe presents to himself beneath the mistletoe invites a each year.' kiss. Some even hold that a berry on the mistletoe.

never had one. I was an or- be kissed but once for each. On the Christmas Eve of the

## **CHRISTMAS GIFT**

By Mike Bennett

Christmas was a wonderful time for a 10-year-old in the little town of Smithdale. Folks were filled with holiday enthu-siasm and they paid extremely well for such small chores as clearing the sidewalks of snow, bringing in coal or chopping cordwood. Brother John, two years older but so nearly equal size that we were often mis-taken for twins, was our "busi-ness manager." He lined up the jobs weeks in advance, keeping an accurate record of jobs com-pleted and future appointments. John wasn't merely training for his future role as an account his future role as an account-ant; he was making certain that we got the jobs before other kids in town beat us to them.

John always made certain some day you boys that we were assigned to any tasks around the Smythe mansion. We got these jobs so regularly a big snowfall automatical automatical solutions. I ically sent us to the Smythe grounds, shovels in hand.

Mr. Smythe was perhaps the most respected man in Smithdale. His ancestors founded the town. I have wondered since piece you hold in why it wasn't Smythedale. Maybe it started out that way. But I prefer to believe Mr. Smythe's ancestors were as reasonable as he and gave the town a name it could know and live with.

Mr. Smythe had lived alone, dollar gold piece except for several servants, memory of a very w since Mrs. Smythe passed away, which was about the time I was born. Two grown sons lived in the East, and each was president of a big business and wealthy in his own right. Each year, with their ever-increasing families, the sons returned to the Smythe mansion before Christmas and remained through the beginning of the New Year.

Each year the tree was decorated before the arrival of the younger generation, in a corner of the spacious living room. For two Christmases, John and I had greatly admired this tree as we brought in lea this tree as we brought in logs for the open fireplace. We had also gazed in great wonder at a huge, green and gaily decorated package which was placed beneath the tree even before decoration was completed under the careful direction of Mr. Smythe.

The second year, in response to my child-like question, the butler had discreetly shushed

You may well imagine what the thought of a rich man givgirl kissed beneath the mistle- ing a present to himself stirred toe will be married within a in the imagination of a child! year-if she allows herself to Bags of money? A golden cloak?

reat snowfall. the afternoon in a (Snow buried in walks and drives than two boys could

Mr. Smythe cal the house and, as fore the crackling from melted snow our boots and cloth plush carpeting. piece.

each a shiny twenty "The weather is said, "My family here until after am going to open

want you to se have been so curio The ribbons fell the wrappings were to reveal—a big car open at each end! Mr. Smythe turn

astonished boys, ever seen a mo package with some little value inside? ! portant as what I do with wealth, and does to me. This is I give myself, much value than the

This happened all time ago. Each Chr I have given mysel The package is wrapped in green. nothing but a well-

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#### **NOT A MUST**

Prepare a special gift for a stranger!" With so many people to remember, we have a list of relatives and friends we "must" give presents to. This year let's select an "extra" gift and contribute it to an organization which takes on the task of helping less fortunate have something of Christmas.

#### TAX MAN SAM SEZ:

Santa Claus will come down the chimney, football players will "bowl out" the season, and the Internal Revenue Service will send you the 1967 income tax forms. There for the winners and Lanny Coare actually people who file their tax returns on January 1 or January 2 so the tax folks can't keep the tax forms until April 10 to accommodate most of us taxpayers. In the "BC years (Before Computer) it did not make to much difference if you happened to lose the tax forms that you got in the mail between Christmas and New Years since you could go down to IRS or the Post Office and pick up some more. However, in the "WC" age (With Computer) you should use the forms that have your name, address and taxpayer identification number punched in or printed on the return. Keep these tax returns in a good safe place so your tax return will say "Hello computer, remember me?" instead of the computer saying "Bud, I

never heard of you.'

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The Rule Baherts blasted O' Brien 70-20 in the District 12-B cpener at O'Brien Tuesday

Johnny Westbrook hit 29 points led O'Brien with seven. Rule's girls won 49-37 as Su-san May hit 35 points, Susie Del Hierro had 19 for O'Brien.

#### OVER A MILLION

It is estimated that over a million and a half watch both the parade and the Rose Bowl football game between eastern and western teams, which instituted in 1916 and has become a permanent feature on New Year's Day.

#### SHINE ORNAMENTS

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Giving gifts during the Christmas season is a custom that most of us enjoy. Some of us even become reckless and spend more than we should for a particular giftmerely because it seems the "perfect" item for a special individual.

In ancient times and places, gift giving was sometimes compulsory. Raman emperors demanded Yuletide gifts of clothing, gold and silver from their subjects, So, it is said, did the Mattie L. Peavy, Mrs. Joel kings and queens of medieval

Long before the birth of Christ. Romans exchanged gifts of laurel, olive and myrtle branches, in conjunction with the Saturnalia, a paganfestival which occurred about the same time as the present date of Christmas.

The Druids of England and Northern Europe tied gifts on trees during the festival observing the winter solstice.

Gift giving today does not take the form of appearement; it reflects the spirit of kind-

hearted generosity.
It is a safe bet that even those who cry out that "Christmas is becoming too commercial" have their own special gift list.

#### GIFTS FROM OUR KITCHEN

Look in your cupboards for Christmas giving ideas. A jar of homemade jam, jelly, marmalade or homemake pickles is a welcome gift to many.

Give a Christmas tree decorated with cookies. Select a small tree. Another delightful gift is Christmas bread, Make it plain or as a Swedish tea ring or coffee cake.



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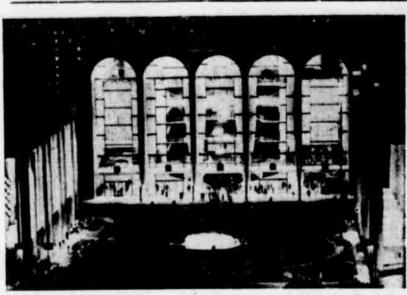
Is it true, as some today claim that Santa the Saint has been transformed by modern custom into Santa the Sugar Daddy? Do we really need good old St. Nick?

Some of our educators, with a nodding assent from "modern" parents, would put an end to the Santa Claus myth. Confusing to young minds, they say.

Perhaps the Santa Claus idea has been abused and over-commercialized. Yet it is doubtful if any child has ever suffered from the grand illusion. In fact, childhood memories of Santa's visit remain with most of us throughout a

A Santa on two different street corners? Why not? Isn't Santa something of a mystery, and a symbol? Doesn't he really typify generosity and thoughtfulness?

In the imaginative mind of a child, Santa is a symbol of Christmas. And, let's face it, it is really no reflection on good old St. Nick that many of the children who eagerly await his arrival each Christmas Eve have never heard the story of the Holy Child from their parents.



MUSIC LOVERS . . . A performance at Lincoln Center's Metropolitan Opera House draws throngs of New Yorkers and visitors during the city's glittering holiday season. Face of the New York State Theatre is visible, Philharmonic Hall

## PIERRE'S

By Jean Charles

world was a vast one, north bounded on the north by snowcapped peaks of the Kelton at all? What if this was to be range, on the west and south just another day? All of the by the rolling Red River, on the sights his eyes would behold east by the great pine forest, and the sounds to delight his

tains and across the river, were morrow? great concentrations of people, Pierre had read about them in Pilot John had flown in with the books brought to him by supplies under more adverse his father's friend. John, who conditions on numerous occamade periodic visits to bring sions. Maybe there was a real supplies and the hunters and storm across the mountains, fishermen Pierre's father guid- One could never tell. Perhaps, ed through the surrounding wil-

On the days the plane was due. Pierre went early to the the boy was oblivious. He neiriver, eager to catch the earl- ther felt the bite of the wind and skimmed to a stop on the surface of the river.

Today was a special day, It them away, was Christmas Eve. Pilot John would fulfill a promise be had made long ago. He would take Pierre skyward, over the mountains and across the forests to the Big City. As John had described it, the vision had lived with Pierre for almost a year stores and shops, people milling about, shouting and laughing, some even singing ... and at night, the lights of a thousand colors dancing across the streets ... and, side by side, neat houses, alive with the sparkle and color of Christmas trees and holiday greenery.

The plane was not due hours. But the boy scanned the horizons, even searching the

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sky in directions from which he knew the plane would not come. He felt the flakes on his nose and eyelashes before he realized that the sky had been almost shut from view by snowflakes whirling and dancing on Pierre was eight years old, the wings of a wind from the

ears, were they fading back in-Somewhere, over the mount to the never-never land of to-Surely, the plane would come

too, Pilot John had forgotten his promise

The snowfall intensified. But iest sight of the float plane as nor the pelting fury of the it dropped down out of the sky flakes that gathered on his and skimmed to a stop on the clothing and clung briefly until he absent - mindedly brushed

> Vaguely. Pierre became ware that his mother was calling him. He knew what she wanted. But it was not food that he craved. Food would not dissolve the ache that tore at his insides and seemed to increase with each passing moment, each new awareness that the later the hour, the less the chance that the plane would

"Pierre, Pierre, please come.

Please come, now. It was then he saw it, gliding gracefully across the rim of the nearest peak, turning out across the meadow in a wide arc, meeting the river at the distant bend and coming to him like the fulfillment of a dream.

Supper was a mechanical procedure. Pierre spoke when spoken to, only dabbled at the food before him. He could not stifle the feeling of anticipation that lived within him: it grew and grew; it surged within him until strapped in the seat of the plane, firmly clutching his father's hand, he saw the rolling river become no more than an amber thread against a field of whiteness and the snow-capped peaks rush beneath the plane

and pass away.

It was a long flight to Big City. Yet, in his mind's eye, Pierre already could see Christmas lights on the far horizon and the flight of his own fancy was more powerful than the iron strength of the grey bird

## Benjamin Pops

team scoring honors. High for the Pirates was Jimmy Ballard

## Private Black Recipient Of Coveted Award

Private First Class Robert V. Black, Jr., of the Third Recruit Training Battalion, Recruit Training Regiment Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, California, has been chosen to receive a Dress Blue Uniform. This uniform is awarded by "Leatherneck" magazine to the outstanding recruit in the pla-Private First Class Black won

the coveted award in competiprogressed through training with season. him. From that number, and and professional knowledge in a wide range of basic military subjects were closely examined. After considering the knowledge, judged most worthy to receive elernal salvation. the Marine Corps Dress Blue Uniform. Private First Class Black is

the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Black of Haskell.

Pvt. Black is a graduate of Haskell High School with the class of 1965, and attended A&M University two years. He volunteered for the Marines in September, 1967, and took basic training at San Diego, Calif., he was promoted to where Private First Class upon completion of Basic. At Rifle Range, Camp Pendleton, Calif., he shot a 226 out of a possible 250, to qualify and receive the Expert Rifleman's Badge. He was an Eagle Scout, with God and

Country Award in Haskell Troop Pvt. Black is on a 20-day

#### WHITE HOUSE TREE

Christmas tree in the U. S. was ward the door, it was a sign placed on the White House lawn there would be a death in the n 1923, while Calvin Coolidge home. If the steps were reverswas president. The tree was a ed, it portended an addition to spruce from Coolidge's native the family. state, Vermont.

In the following year, Coolidge presided at a ceremony under the sponsorship of the American Forestry Association to urge the use of living Christ-

FOR HUSBANDS

A gift suggestion for husbands and children is: Get together and decide on a time and worksaving appliance that will free her from work every day of the

Such an appliance is an automatic dishwasher. It doesn't matter whether the housewife has a large family or if there is just a husband and wife, a dishwasher in this day and age, is a must.



Practically everyone knows that jolly old St. Nick was a real-life bishop in ancient Turkey, the original Santa Claus who liked to distribute anonymous gifts. Yet, it is not so well recorded that he was also the patron saint of pickpockets,

robbers, and pirates.

This oddity came about when St. Nicholas intervened to persuade a robber band to return stolen treasure. Pirates looked to St. Nick for accurate tips on the weather, even flew his supposed likeness on flags of their ships. In later years, swindlers in France were popu-larly referred to as the "Knights of St. Nicholas."

St. Nicholas was apparently very wealthy and exceedingly generous. The best-known giftgiving tale concerning this first Santa Claus — bags of gold secretly thrown into a house to provide three luckless daughters with dowries — is today symbolized by the sign of the pawnbroker — three gold balls.

The good bishop supposed-ly possessed miraculous powers. While on a voyage to the Holy Land, he calmed the waters of the sea to save a drowning sailor.

Sailors and pirates adopted him as their patron saint. Pi-rates even stole some of his relics from a Turkish church and took them to Bari, Italy, where a church was build for him in 1087.

Born in southern Turkey, of wealthy Greek parents, Nicho-las joined the church and became bishop of Myra. It is said that he went on a pilgrimage to Jerusalem and was there im-prisoned by Emperor Diocle-tian for his faith. Later released by the Christian Emperor Constantine, he returned to Myra, where he died on December 6,

> IN EDINBURGH Enormous crowds gather out-

side the Tron Church, in Edinburgh, on New Year's Eve, to wait for midnight. As soon as the clock strikes twelve there is an outburst of shouted good wishes, handshakes, toasts, and reels danced to the wild music



Throughout the Christian world, Christmas is THE holiday. universally celebrated, universally recognized.

Probably no library in the world could house the volume of

tion with it men, all of whom entered the Marine Corps, and material that is written about this great holiday in a single Because so much has been written - and will again be

from the recommendations of written this holiday season — we must consider it remarkable the drill instructors, the Mathat the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrines in the platoon who dispected narrative — "For God so loved the world, He gave His and professional knowledge in the platon who have the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrines in the platoon who dispected narrative — "For God so loved the world, He gave His and professional knowledge in the platon who have the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the platon who have the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the platon who have the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the platon who have the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the platon who have the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the platon who have the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the platon who have the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the platon who have the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the story of the Nativity has continued a simple and unafrine the story of the Nativity has continued as a simple and unafrine the story of the Nativity has continued as a simple and unafrine the story of the Nativi Traditions and customs are subject to the changing times. Yet, amid the laughter and festivities, whatever carols are

sung, however gifts are exchanged, there remains forever unaffected the simple story of the birth at Bethlehem. This is the conduct, attitude, military bear-ing and leadership potential of story of Christmas - an event which took place nearly 2,000 all candidates. Pvt. Black was years ago - the birth of a Redeemer and the promise of Through centuries of translation, of telling and re-telling,

the meaning of Christmas remains simple and universal. Christmas is the birthright of every man.

#### BE GRATEFUL

For how many more Christmases will the world be waiting for peace on earth to ALL men? This we do not know. We can though, be grateful for the true meaning of Christmas, Be grateful to mankind's

greatest gift, the birth of the Christ Child, Be grateful for His birthday, knowing that the spirit of goodwill on Christmas becomes the motto of all men.

#### THE ISLE OF MAN Long ago on the Isle of Man,

women sprinkled ashes on the leave, which began December kitchen floors on New Year's Eve. Next morning they looked carefully to see whether there were any footsteps among them. The first national community If they saw prints leading to-

#### SILENT NIGHT

"Silent Night" was first sung at Christmas in 1818. The church organ in an Aust-

rian village had broken downas a result of mice, so the story goes. Father Joseph Mohr wrote the poem and his organist, Franz Gruber, composed the

The congregation, which had been saddened because there would be no music for Christ-other acts of kindness shown me mas, sang "Silent Night" to a during my stay in the hospital. guitar accompaniment,

### PAINT TOY BOXES

Children love to play with boxes, so why not decorate them for Christmas gifts? A wooden box painted in bright colors turns into a pretty — and practical — toy chest. Turn it upside down, top with a colorful cushion, and you have a child's hassock. Design several like circus cages - or, a kiddle train. Stretch your imagination and create more Christmas fun for your children.

#### GOOD LUCK TOKENS

The Romans sent friends good-luck tokens, sometimes exchanging small copper coins with the head of Janus on one side, and a boat on the other; for he was the protector of ships and trade. Little Roman presents, such as gilded nuts, were known as "strenae." Gradually presents became more costly, and the Roman rulers exorbitant in their demands for expensive gifts.

#### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the Doctors and hospital staff. For the cards, flowers, visits, prayers and

### Rochester District Op

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soaring across the northern sky. Paint Creek

The Benjamin Mustangs finally rode down the Paint Creek Pirates 52-49 in a double overtime 4-B game played at Benjamin Tuesday night.

Jerry Leverton sunk the final two free throws that made the difference and pushed in 16 total points for the night to follow Michael Driver who had 21 for team scoring honors. High for

Benjamin wiso took the girls' game 49-38 as Dara Gore poured in 25 for the winners.

## SECTION TWO

# HE HASKELL FREE PRESS

KELL, TEXAS 79521, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1967

NUMBER FIFTY-ONE

## TTERS TO SANTA

very much. We have da Rifle Set

ump truck, a Shotgun 5 and he wants a Dear Santa,

pistol and a garbage

2nd grade. Please bring me a four Brothers that BB-gun, CAROM and a Magum-We would like some fruits,

who is three, wants nuts and a COCONUTS.

Three truck, a Shotgun Love, Nathan Frierson

I'm a little girl in the second grade, I am 7 years old, I have and in the first grade, one older sister. I think that I pinball machine, a have been a good girl this year, and a construction Please bring me an easy-bake oven Astro Tyke doll carriage, years old and in the a doll that will fit into the carri-

We wish you every joy

Christmas Season!

QUEEN ROOFING

**COMPANY** 

and blessing of this happy



Festive desserts and traditional drinks are a familiar part of the Christmas observance.

Turkey on Christmas Day is an American specialty. Yet no treats are more associated with the holiday than plum pudding and mince pie.

The original plum pud- en, eggs, raisins, orange ding, tradition says, was cooked up by an English hunting party lost in the woods on Christmas Eve. It consisted of deer meat and a mixed variety of game animals, birds' eggs, dried plums, ale, brandy, sugar and flour.

Mince pie, we are told, was created by the Puritans and served with a tiny figure of the Christ child in its center. The earliest known recipe dates to the reign of James I in the 17th Century - and called for beef tongue, chopped chick-

and lemon peelings, sugar and an assortment of

Hot punches have always been popular in England and are regaining some favor in America.

A mild drink is spiced tea with cloves, cinnamon and nutmeg added before brewing. A bit more glow-ing is mulled cider, simmered with spices and the other boys and girls. served with floating orange slivers. And finally, the tra-ditional Tom and Jerry. spiced brandy, frothy with

Please be good to my sister, joy, Be sure to stop and see my Bonnie, and all the other little little cousins and all the other children. Love, Jill Ann Adkins

Munday, Texas

Dear Santa, I have been a pretty good boy. I want a bicycle and a big truck with lots of cars, I have a little Dear Santa Claus, brother, name Mark. He wants a Texaco truck, and a bicycle with wheel on the back

Thank you Mike and Mark Stewart

Del Rio, Texas 78840

Dear Santa,

I'm a little girl, four years old, and I have a little brother almost 2 years old. We've been pretty good kids this year and we're looking forward to your

We want so much I don't know what to name but I'd especially like to have a talking telephone, a punching bag and a slinky toy. My little brother likes trucks, guns and big blocks, Just bring

age, and a table with chairs, us whatever you think we'd engood children. Also stop and see my Grandma and Grandpa, too. See you Christmas.

> Love. Connie and Earl Scheets

Would you please bring me a Giggles and a watch, And a Bobby Gentry album, Also a pair of house shoes and some kind of game. Don't forget the girls and boys.

Love, Box 1549 Carol Sue Lehde

> Fielding Apts. II Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa Claus, I am writing for you on Christmas Eve. I have been a nice girl all year. I want some toys for Christmas. I want a doll called Cheerful Tearful and an iron and on ironing board.

With love, Dorothy Kaye Brooks



Our Sincere Wish is that you and your family may know all the old-fashioned, yet ever new, joys of the Season . . .

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Route 1, Box 89 Weinert, Texas 76388

Dear Santa, Please bring me a woodburnng set, a watch and a Hands-Up for Christmas. Please remem-Harry, I have tried to be a good ber my cousins, Mike, Kippie, boy, I am 8 years old and in Cliff and Shane and especially the third grade. I will leave my friend Dougie, in Fairmont. you something to eat under the tree. Don't forget all the other boys and girls. With love,

Jack Rueffer

Route 1 Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa, I will be looking for you on Christmas Eve. I would like you to bring me a bow and arrow and boys some thing. and a pogo stick and some can-

601 North Ave. F Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa, I am a boy 8 years old. I am by toys, in the third grade. Will you Love, please bring me a race car set and a stick shift? Remember With love, David Tidwell

Haskell, Texas 79521 and a transistor radio. Dear Santa,

Please bring me some nuts, this year. apples, oranges and cookies and toys. Here are the toys I want, an Easy Bake Oven, a bracelet, a watch, some roller skates, In- Dear Santa,

board. Thank you for my toys. I am in the first grade. Please Dear Santa, We will have a pie on the table bring me a tractor with trailer, Please bri for you,

With love, Kimberly Drinnon

1103 N. Fifth St. Haskell, Texas 79521 Dear Santa.

I am looking for you Christ-mas Eve. I will leave some cake for you and I hope you leave some things for me. Here are some things I want: I want a football, a football helmet, a b. b. gun, a motorific, and a pair of cleats.

With love, Eddie Medford

Dear Santa Claus,

This year I'm five years old and for Christmas I would like to have a racing car set, Incredible Edibles, and a game. I'll Be in Texas at my Aunt Joey's Love, Brett Gibson

Fairmont, Minn.

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been a good boy. Please bring me a Signal light for my Bike and a Banana Seat and tall handle Bars. Daniel Phea

P. S. and Bring other girls

dy and cookies. Don't forget the other children please.

With love.

Dear Santa,

I have tried to be a good girl this year. Please bring me a Giggles doll, a record player and records and a makeup kit with real lipstick. Don't forget my baby brother, Lex. Please bring him some ba-

Lynn Weatherly

Dear Santa. I am 6 years old and I am in the first grade, I would like to have a drum set, pool table, 1404 N. Ave, L. racing car set, boxing gloves

I have been a pretty good boy Thank you

Mark Greenroy

credible Etibles, a game called Please come and visit me. I Queen of the Prom, and a chalk have been a pretty good boy and

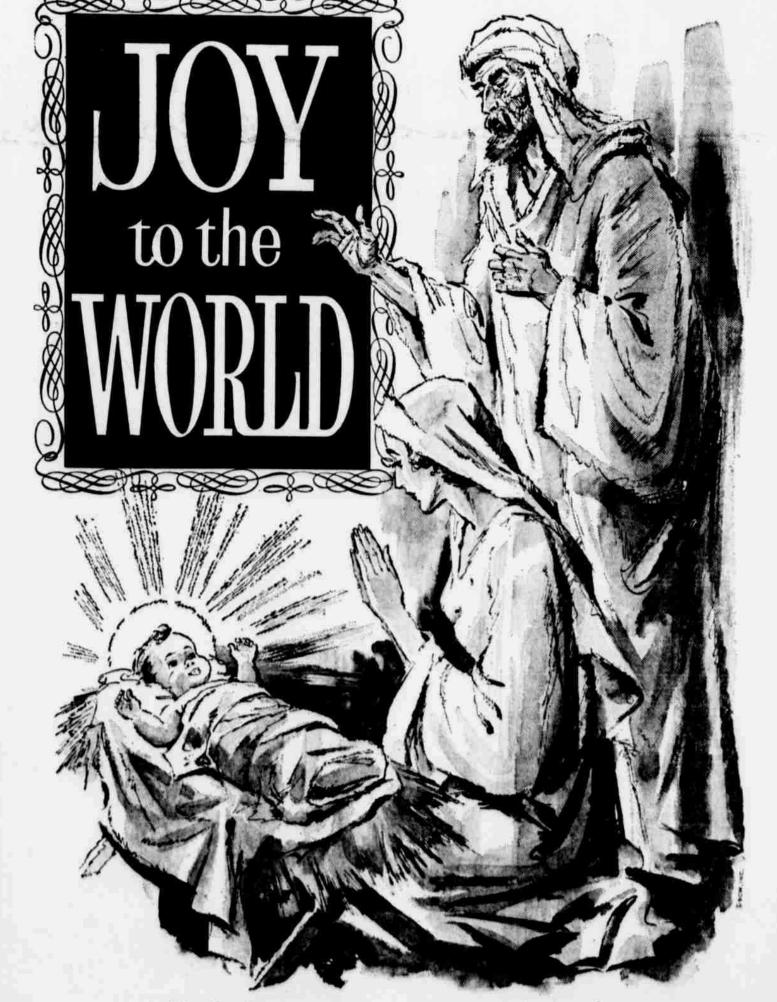
bring me a tractor with trailer, the Mustang Horse and a big big red wagon.

Thank you Timmy Leek, 105 N. 4th Haskell, Texas Please bring me these things:

Book satchel Snow cone maker Heidi's swimming pool I love you, Paggy Harris, Age 7



May this holy season be filled with blessings for all GHOLSON GROCERY CO.



The Lord is come! Let us go and worship the Babe Who brings His message of peace and love to all nations once again! May He bless you and yours at this holy season!

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## IN APPRECIATION

- \* As we come to the close of another year, we at Sherman's want to pause and express our sincere thanks to the residents and customers of this area for the fine patronage we have received and which has enabled us to remain in business and to enjoy a steady growth.
- \* Whether or not you are one of our many satisfied customers, we still want to say a hearty "thanks" to all and cherish the friendship of everyone and humbly say "thanks" to each of you.

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## LETTERS TO SANTA

Sure do thank you for the football. Thank you you brought me last Christmas, I am five years old a nice gift. They are good some now and I try to help mother times. I will leave you a cookie and be a good girl. I'd like for and a glass of milk. Please be a little brother. Shawn, who is one year old. He is really the

sweetest one at our house. He'd probably like 'The Farmer

Dear Santa Claus, My name is Nathan Blair, I live in Haskell, Texas, I am 6 years old. I have been a good boy. Would you please bring me

And please bring my 4 sisters

you to bring me a Baby First-coreful when you ride in your Step and a new baton. I have slay.

105 N. Ave. A

I'm a little girl two years old and I've been pretty good this year, I would like a baby doll that can take a bath, some blocks and a red wagon. Thank

Cristi Ann Guess Box 8, Weinert, Texas



for all our friends that sings outs MERRY CHRISTMAS, everyone! CAHILL & DUNCAN

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I certainly hope you have lots of money this year because I want quite a few things. I want a Biby First-Step, a Mattel-O-Phone, table and chairs, dishes and a feddy bear,

I don't know if I've been good enough for all of these things. but I've tried to be. Don't forget I'll be at Daddy Jack's house. Please remember all the other little girls and boys.

I love you, Karen Kay Campbell

Dear Santa Claus, I'm four years old and have tried to be a good girl. Some-times it's pretty hard with two sisters and a brother. Please bring me a Baby's Hungry doll and a new baton.

My little sister, Shannon, is 2 years old. She wants a recking horse and a baton for Christ-

We'll leave you a treat on the table Christmas Eve.

Love. Kiersta Lane

Dear Santa, My Name is TAMMY I am nine years old I have been a good girl I wish I had a bicycle with

training wheels. I live in HASKELL, TEXAS. Tammy Blair 105 N. Avc. A. Haskell

N. 3, P. O. Box 229 Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa Claus, Please may I have some dolls, a ring, and a Star Book, I want a pretty yellow dress. With love, Silver

> 600 Ave. B, Hi. Santa, Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa. I want a bickele for Christ-mas Eve, and a big cake, also

Your friend,

Dear Santa,

I want a Bike with long han-I am sorry I have to rite you other stuff, letters. By for now and merry Don't forg Christmas. Love.

Johnny Yeary

Dear Santa,

I've tried to be good and be sick to so I'll not ask for much just would like to have my two front teeth and a paper doll I can call my own.

I love you One of your admirer

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy 3 years old. My name is Steven Turnbow, I s you might say I have been a pretty good little boy this year, so please don't forget me. I would like you to bring me a little road-grader, and a truck, a little bicycle with training wheels, a little combine, some candy and nuts for my stocking and anything else you want to bring me. Santa, don't forget my sister Connie, I think she wants a speedometer for her bicycle and a Twister game and some records, I wish I could ecme to see you at the North Pole, but I can't, so I sure hope you come to see me.

love you Santa, Steve Turnbow, 1101 N. Avc. K

Dear Santa!

I am a little boy 3 years old and would like very much for you to stop by my house on Christmas. I would like almost anything, but most of all I want a riding tractor, doctor kit and an animal truck

Love. Monty Moeller

Dear Santa

I like to talk with you on the phone and I am trying to be very good. Please think about bringing me a walking doll, tractor, skates, billfold, dump truck, boots, gun, and a stand for my record player, Remember my friends, Laurie, Mark, Walter, Holly, Kendale Joe and my cousins. Bobby, Wade, David, Chris, and Jim. vid, Chris and Jim. Camille Klose, age 3 107 N, Ave. M



A Merry Christmas to You and Yours!

May your home be filled with every holiday joy!

BASSING **JEWELRY** 



With few exceptions, the

magic merriment of the Christ-mas spirit captures every heart long before the holiday arrives. It begins with a gradual quickening of heart and step, a readier smile, an alertness to the smiles and laughter that we meet along the way.

It brings an awareness that children, for the most part, are not really little monsters. They are suddenly happy and cheerful, helpful and polite, and we wonder how we considered them otherwise.

We are suddenly aware that the earth is filled with the beau-tiful sounds of music — from the churches, from the schools,

be alive, filled with a certain anticipation.

Bethlehem - and the Christmas merry so long as we remember this one great event in the his-

For my second Christmas, I would like a truck, tractor, wa-gon and a Farmer See & Say toy. Don't forget my best bud-dy, Camille Klose and all my other cousins.

Jim Alexander Wichita Falls

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little girl 4 years old. dle bars and a Johnny Astro. I I want you to bring me a walk-did not get too ride your sleigh. ing doll, clothes and a bunch of Don't forget the other kids,

Your Friend, Kimberly Sue Daniels

Dear Santa Claus, I am a little girl 6 years old.

I want a Baby Hungry, clothes and other toys, Also don't forget Dora and Barry Brown, I have been a good girl.

Vicki Mae Daniels

Dear Santa Claus. I am a little boy 2 years old. I want a football suit, gun, hat and clothes. My sisters and I will leave you something to eat will keep on being a good boy.

Johnny Carlton Daniels



Christmas is much more than a one-day observance.

from the stores and shops.

And, we find ourselves in step with the world, happy to

Christmas is not a day, it is a season. It is a season of "Peace on earth; good will to men." It is the time we remem-ber that Christ was born in season will be joy-filled and tory of mankind.

May the season ring with gaiety & good cheer for all!

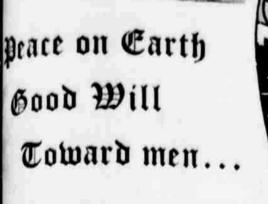
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ABSTRACTER

Haskell, Texas

Here's wishing to our

many friends in an old-

past Christmas day . . .

fashioned way . . . that the many

blessings of Christmas time, linger long

SMITTY'S AUTO

SUPPLY

in the LOW RENT DISTRICT



NEW YORK SKYLINE . . . Visible in photo above is the rectangular United Nations Secretariat Building, flanked by the spires of the Empire State Building, left, and Chrysler Building, right. More often than not, New York has snow for the Christmas season. Always, in this great American city, there are interesting things to do and see at Christmastime.

## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

I am a little boy five years old. I have tried to be a good Will you please being me a Walkie-Talkie, a shot gun, and Tiear Santa secret agent get-away car. little boys and girls.

Ronnie Balley

Dear Santa. have tried my best to be good. cement mixer. Please don't boys and girls, forget my friends Robert, Bruck - Love, Wade Matthews and Brad

I love you, Mark Bailey

Dear Santa Claus. I want a Giggles doll, Tommy for me Turtle, Bride Suit and a Major-Pleas ette Suit, Spirograph, Incredible and a big car.
Edible, Mickey Mouse and his talking pals, Doll House, I am 7 years old and in the first grade. I have been a good girl pear Santa, this year, Tamara Sorrolls

Dear Santa Claus, I want a Stingray bicycle with Chairs and a set of dishes. a wheel that does not get flat.

I want a lock on it. Please bring my little brother, With love,

Cynthia Ivey

Dear Santa Clause,

I want a football, a basketball and a goal, a little Joe Bonanza set, a pair of binoculars, a Kadet Trainer Rifle, Most of all, I would like to have a Sting Ray bicycle, if I can have it. Love:

Jimmy Browning, age 7%

I am a boy 9 years old. I Please remember all other would like a bike, a BB gun, Isa some fruit, nuts and eardy. Love, Johnny Munoz Dear Santa,

I am 4 years old and have tried to be a good boy, I would Claus. I am a little boy 3 years old. like a road grader and dump truck for Christmas. Also a recwould sure like to have a erd player and some records, walkie-talkie, a shot gun and a Please be good to all the other

Dear Santa, 902 South Second Street I am a little boy 1 year old, Haskell, Texas and I am too small to write so my big sister, Cindy, is writing 42 tons - all these make it a

Please bring me a little wagon

Robert Alan Ivey

My name is Tonya Roberts. I am I years old. I have been i good gad this year so please 704 North 13th dan't forget me on Christmas. Haskell, Texas I would like to have a Baby foll. High Chair, Table and Flease remember all the other boys and girls, too. Thank you, Tonya

1105 N. Ave. K. Huskell, Texas Dearest Santa Claus,

My name is Jeffery Medford. My name is Lee Roberts and I am 3 years old I have been am 2 years old. I have been a good little boy and I would good boy almost every day like to have a BB gun. Please they you last came to see me, remember all the other little



To our friends and patrons ... we wish you the best during the coming Christmas and New Year

BIARD'S CLEANERS

## Candles, Goblets Upside Down

when they are turned upside down. Stand them in a row on window sill. Let them light the living room. March them down the middle of the smorgasbord table. They are bright and effective and very quick and easy to arrange,

Inside each goblet, place a large Christmas ball, each one a different color. Secure 10-inch red candles to the bottoms of the goblets (which are now the tops) with candle wax or floral clay, hide it with sprigs of evergreen. If you use candlewax, decorate or not as you wish the wax matches the candle and does not show.

Two explanations have arisen for naming this small town near Evansville, Indiana, after the modified name of Saint Nicholas. About 75 years ago this town applied for a post office and auggested the name Santa Fe. When it was learned that this name already applied to a post office in the state, the people decided to name it Santaclaus, changing it in 1928 to the customary words,

A second version says that in 1882, on Christmas Eve, while some residents were discussing in the general store the naming of their town, Santa Claus walked in. Unanimously they called "Let's name it Santa

Whichever explanation is correct, the town has been busy both summer and winter in recent years. In summer, tourists stop in to see the museum, the original post office with its fine collection of toys of the past 704 N. 13th decades. A Santa Claus park, Haskell, Tex. life size Mother Goose figures, Kriss Kringle Street, and a colcred statue of the white bearded saint, 23 feet high, weighing rare attraction during the ten months when Christmas mail is of secondary interest.

### LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

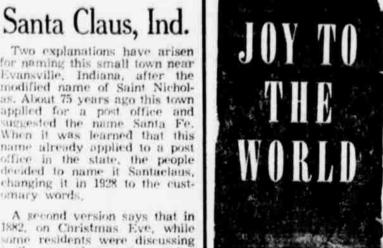
Goblets become candleholders Dear Santa: ben they are turned upside I am 7 years old. I would like to have a Smoke rifle, a Tip-It, a Hands-Down, a (Banana) bike I love you, Rex Pittman

> 1105 N. Ave. K Haskell, Texas

Dearest Santa Claus, My name is Edgwyna Med-ford. I am six years old. Santa, I want a baby doll that cries and a little kiddle.

Please remember all the other fittle kids.

Thank you, Edgwyna S. I love you, Santa,

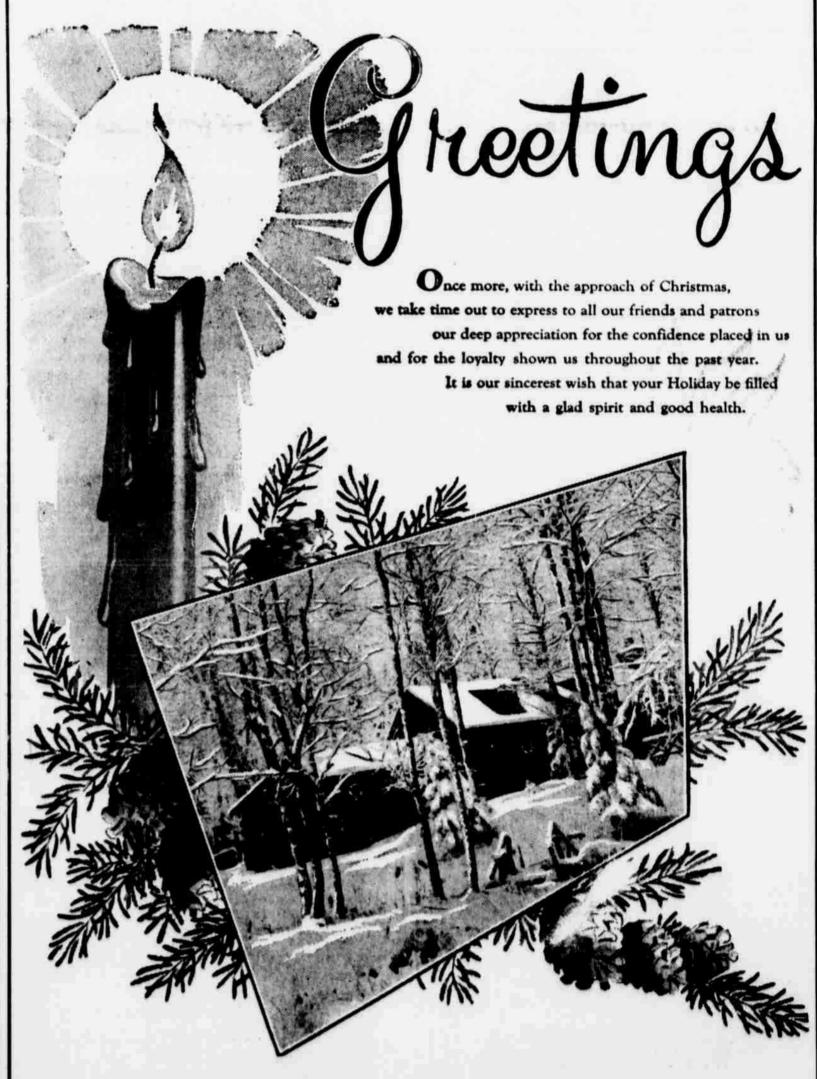


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0, come all ye faithful...

May the peace and happiness symbolized by the Star of Christmas remain with you throughout the Holiday Season.

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Haskell, Texas



. . . and may this Holiday Season bring each of you . . . JOY, PEACE, LOVE AND GOOD WILL!

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THERE'S NO CHRISTMAS LIKE CHRISTMAS IN MEXICO



Christmas in Mexico is like Christmas For one thing, it lasts almost a month, starting on December 8 with the Day of the Immaculate Conception and ending on January 6 with the Day of the Three Kings, when the children get their gifts. A thousand electric spectaculars light up the cities, and almost everybody in town joins in at least one posada, the re-enactment of the search for lodgings in Bethlehem by John and Mary which ends up in a big pinata-smashing party. (Pinatas are papier-maché animals stuffed with Christmas goodies.)

In cities and towns throughout Mexico, there are parades and fiestas all through the season. It's so colorful and so different from Christmas anywhere else that there is a heavy yearly influx of U.S. tourists in December, not only from the border states but from Los Angeles, Chicago and New York—to say "Felice Navidad" and join in the fun.

#### Christmas Time LETTERS TO In Costa Rica SANTA CLAUS In this island country there is a variation of the presepto

a manger scene under the tree

or in a corner of a room, a

whole room is filled with a rep-

lica of the Nativity, and people

go from house to house admir-

The Christ Child has for cen-

turies been accepted as the giver of gifts, but recently Santa

Claus has also made his influence felt here. It is not uncom-

mon to see a mannequin in a

department store window, equipped with a beard and the

rest of the Santa Claus regalia.

INFORM FRIENDS It is foolish to be bashful a-

bout writing information letters information concerning chil-

dren's ages and interests is

helpful and welcome to persons

Children's interests change from year to year. If only the child's age is known, it is possible for the giver to receive helpful advice from clerks.

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are also used. This warm-

climate plant was introduced into the U. S. from Mexico in

1834 by Joel Roberts Poinsett,

U. S. minister to that country

you know will be sending gifts.

For Christmas, I want a Batman set, a Kadet Trainer Rifle, Mr. Potatoe Head and his friends, a Puncho Bag, an Outer Space ray gun, and Martian Robot. We will have a treat

Joseph Browning, age 4%

waiting for you,

Dear Santa Clause, Please bring me a Kadet Trainer Rifle, three slinkys, Big Bertha Tank, Little Joe Bonanza set, and a Lone Ranger set. and a stocking of candy and

Robert Browning, age 6

Dear Santa Claus. My name is Chris Colbert, I am 7 years old, I am in the second grade, I know your elves are working hard making toys for the girls and boys. I hope your elves are finished the night before Christmas. I want a Mighty Mike, GI Joe tank, Rock 'em Sock 'em Robots, GI Joe frogman suit. GI Joe frogman sled, Kaboom, GI Joe Motorcycle, GI Joe Marine suit, poinsettia. It normally blooms GI Joe Air Cadet suit, GI Joe when days are foot locker, GI Joe jeep and therefore ideally suited to the trailer and rifle that really Yule season. Red poinsettia is shoots and GI Joe searchlight, the favorite, but white and pink football and record player.

## Chosen City Once Derided

Love, Chris

We recognize Nazareth as "the chosen city" and consider it one of the holiest places in Christendom. Such was not always the case.

Nazareth was considered so insignificant that the term "Nazarene" was applied to Jesus Christ in derision.

When Jesus called his first disciples, among them wa Philip of Bethsaida, Philip went to Nathanael and said, "We have discovered the one about whom our scriptures speak. He is Jesus of Nazareth, the son of

Joseph."
And Nathanael replied, "Can anything good come out of

After Jesus had spoken to him, Nathanael exclaimed. "Thou art the Son of God; Thou art the King of Israel."

And Nathanael returned to Nazareth with a few chosen disciples as Jesus began his min-

ciples as Jesus began his ministry in the chosen city.



SINCERE BEST WISHES FROM

Woody's

Christmas, we h you may alwa the peace, happiness

cheer that we

this Yuletide

FIRST BAPTIST CHUR



The SLIPPER SHOPP

# hristmas loy to y The truest joy of Christmas is not found in reco but in giving. So this greeting is sent with a hop God's promise of Joy and Love, of Peace and Will -- will be yours this Holiday Season.

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shine on you during this holy season and bring you peace and happiness ....

## DUNCAN GIN



## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Merry Christmas, Santa. Bring me a Giggles. See you Christmas on a slay. DeAnn

Dear Santa,

I like you you are to good. How about a spider bike, I want a tool set, Bring the other people something. I want some boxing gloves and punching bag,

o. Thank you. Love Mike King. 1506 N. Ave. F. Haskell, Tex.

Dear Santa,

We are two little boys who live in Irving, Texas, but we will be in Haskell for Christmas. Our names are Kevin and Kendall Strickland, and we are 3 and 4 years old. We would like a big tractor to plow with, a football helmet and some guns. Please don't forget our little sister, Kimla Ann, who is one year old. She wants a doll buggy and a doll. Please remember all the other little boys and girls, too.

Kevin and Kendall Strickland 4002 Rainier, Irving, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy two years old. I think I have been a pretty good little boy this year. I would like a red tricycle, a choo-choo train, and a tractor with some equipment for Christmas, Please remember my cousins from Midland and my little cousin, Kevin, who lives in Rule. They have been good, too. Thank you, Santa

Ricky Dunnam, age 2, Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa. Please bring me a VRROOM

Beth Ann Pumphrey....

I am 7 years old. I want a bike for Christmas and maybe some cars and boats. I have three sisters, Kathie, Sandy and Karen. Please bring them something. Thank you. David Bartley.

918 N. Sixth St. Dear Santa,

Haskell, Texas Dear Santa Claus, I would like a football suit, radio, mouse trap game, and

a speedometer for my bike. We will leave some milk and cookies for you, With love,

Randy Darden

Dear Santa Claus,

children this year and hope that you agree. Here is our Christ- other children.

Vanessa wants a soft doll that talks, a few clothes and a doll buggy. She also wants a "Mr.



#### PECAN PIE

This time of year, when you are entertaining a lot, serve that all-time favorite, Pecan Pie. This one has a smooth maply flavor, is simple to make and simply delicious.

2 eggs 1/2 cup sugar 1/2 cup Griffin's Waffle

Syrup

2 Thsps. melted butter 1/2 tspe. vanilla extract 11/2 cups pecans 1 unbaked 8" pie shell

504 S. Ave. E

206 South G

Haskell, Texas

Haskell, Texas

I am looking for you. I will leave a cake for you. Please

bring me a guitar and a tube for

set. Please do not forget the oth-

I am looking for you at my

house. I will leave a lunch for

you. Please leave me a bike

and a little globe. Do not forget

My name is Michael New, I

am 8 years old and I am in the

third grade. I would like you to

bring me Major Matt Moson

I am going to be glad to see

you on Christmas. I am going

to help my mother and father

so that you will give me some

toys. This is what I want you

set and a football game set,

Rt. 1, Haskell, Texas

79547 Route 2 Haskell, Texas 79521

bike and I want a car race

Beat eggs slightly and mix with sugar, waffle syrup, butter and vanilla. Stir in pecans. Pour into unbaked pie shell and bake 45 minutes or until lightly browned, at 375°.

Serve warm or cold with vanilla ice cream or whipped cream . . . or plain.

Dear Santa,

er children.

With love,

Reulo Treuina

the other children, With love,

Yours truly,

Michael New

Marla Witherspoon

Peanut-Maker." Bubba wants an airplane, a toy that talks, some guns and a sno-cone man. Darice wants a Katrina with some doll clothes, a doll buggy. a Sno-white telephone. We will leave you a snack close by the Christmas tree. We hope you enjoy it. We love you,

Vanessa, Bubba and Darice Russell (P. S. Oh yes. We will be visit-ing with our grandparents in

Haskell, They are: Mr. and Mrs. Burl Darnell at 1201 N. Ave. L. and Mr. and Mrs. H. Russell Route No. 3. Our cousins, Becky. Linda and John Kyle will be in Haskell, too.

North Third St. Haskell, Texas

I want a ring and a doll for Christmas. I want you to remember the other girls and My name is the property of the control of t

With love, Hilda Gonzales

> Rt. 1, Box 88 Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus, ear Santa Claus,
We have been pretty good books and a doll, that is all. And please don't forget the Dear Santa,

With love. Debra Casillas

Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa, I have been looking for you. Santa, here is what I want for Christmas, I want a car and a truck and a big bus and a boy's watch. That is all.

With love, David Longoria

Route No. 1 Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa, Please think about the other people. Please save me some Christmas candy, I want a bike, popgun for Christmas.

Arthur Granado



WE HOPE THAT THIS CHRISTMAS WILL BE A JOYOUS ONE FOR ALL OUR PRIENDS

TRUCKS TRACTORS

103 North Avenue E Haskell, Texas

to give me, a doll, dishes, a watch and some books to read. But please do not forget the other children. With love.

Lupe Ca'zares

1004 North Ave. J Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa, I hope you come to see me on Christmas Eve and I hope you go to see other little girls and boys. I have a list of toys I want but I do not want to get so many so other girls and boys can have some too. I would like Jeopardy, Giggles, Twist 'n Turn Barbie, Incredible Edibles. With love.

Debora Sears

607 South Ave. G Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus, I am a little girl 8 years old. I have tried to be a nice girl. Would you please bring me a Suzy homemaker oven and a Tressy doll. I will leave you some cake on the table and the milk will be in the refrigerator.

Cynthia Jones



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I love you,



May the guiding star of Christmas light your way.



A PRAYER for

As the curtain begins to draw across the old year, we pray that the spirit of Christmas be kept in the bearts of men not only this

one day ... but every day. For with Christmas to our bearts nothing in life could ever quench the joy or dim the light of our peace.



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friends, good times and all

that's best in life. May

this Christmas add richly

## LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Canta Claus, I would like to have a cash register for Christmas, I live at 1733 Sherman Street in Abilene, Texas.

Please bring Twylie and Jay something, too.

Bobby Dean Druesedow, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little boy seven years old and am in the second grade. And I sure do like too go too school. Please bring me some bookends, books and coloring books. And anything you think I would like. I will leave you some cake and Coke for you on the snack bar. Lot of love.

Tim Griffin Seymour, Texas Oh, don't forget my big brother, Scotty

Dear Santa.

1 am a little boy four years Dear Santa Claus, old and have been a good boy. Please bring me a Tommy Turtle, a Kool Aid dispenser, a snow cone maker and a game. Thank you.

Love. Bryan Middlebrook

Mr. Santa Clause North Pole Dear Santa:

I would like a cowboy gun, hat and boots, I would like a pickup truck, a dump truck and a cement mixer.

My cousin, Alton, is writing this for me, Your Very Very Good Friend. Christophor Dean Stocks

429 Lorna Dr. Burleson, Texas

Mr. Santa Clause North Pole Dear Santa.

Please bring me a doll and ouggy and some dishes. I would ike a Teddy bear and a ball. My cousin, Alton, is writing this for me

Your Very Very Good Friend Amy Carol Stocks 429 Lorna Dr. Burleson, Texas

bear Santa. For Christmas I would like to have a football, and a bb gun, and a tether ball, and a thingmaker set, I am 7 years old. My name is Darrell Jenkins, I ive in Santo, Love, Darrell

For Christmas I would like to have a water truck, a road grader, creapy crawler set.

Dear Santa Claus, dible and a twist and turn and Barbie

Your friend. Allex Garcia Weinert, Texas Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a ring for Your friend, Neil Smith Weinert, Texas

Dear Santa Claus, Bring me a box of candy and incredible Edible, creppy crawr. fright factory, crepel pepel, maks a live, bebe gun, make our explosives science kit, tappe dubble bailers gun, Your friend, James A. Davis,

Weinert, Texas bear Santa Claus, I want a twist 'n turn Bar-

oie, and I want baby buttercup. Love, Reda Campbell

Dear Santa Claus I want a viewmaster and a nurse kit and a tea set. We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Love, Debra Robertson Weinert, Texas

Please bring me a Incredible Edible and a twist and turn Bar-

Your friend, Lisa, Weinert, Texas

Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me a Incredible Edibles and the Crow Shoot

Your friend, Walter Patton Weinert, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a Baby's Hungry, a Vacu-form and a Snakes Alive or Tang Bang or anything else you want to. My birthday is Christmas Day. I will be 9 years old.

Your friend, inda Yates Weinert, Texas

Please bring me a tractor, B B gun, a little car and some nuts, eandy and fruit, Please bring Frank a tricycle, numeral.

Joe Castillo Weinert, Texas

Your friend.

Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me a big train, a ball, a fire truck, a car and some fruit, nuts and candy. Your friend,

Benito Perez Weinert, Texas Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me a basketball and goal, a wagon, a B.B. gun,

and some candy, nuts and fruit. Your friend, Geronimo Reyes Weinert, Texas

Hello! I wonder if its as cold at the North Pole today as it is here in Rule? My name is Karla Denise Brothers and I'd like to tell you that I really liked that sleigh ride with you in Haskell. old and I've been a fairly good girl sometimes. Would you please bring me a Little Miss Fussy doll, a pair of beginners skates, a guitar, some bracelets and a sewing set. I also love candy,

See you soon. Lots of love, Karla Denise Brothers Box 532, Rule, Texas

Dear Santa,

Cokes and fruit.

Hi! How are you this very cold day? My name is Sandra Lynnette Brothers and I have been a fairly good little 5 year mouse trap and a tip-it game. I old girl. This year, Santa, I am 5 years old and my name is would like very much for you to Glenn Jenkins. I live in Santo. bring me a "Baby's Hungry" Love, Glenn doll, a pair of skates, a guitar, bracelets and a sewing set. Maybe you could leave me some Cokes, candy and fruit, too. Santa, please remember all the less fortunate boys and girls,

Thank you, I love you! Sandra Lynnette Brothers Box 532, Rule, Texas

Dear Santa.

I am a little girl 3 years old. I have tried to be a nice girl. Would you please bring me a the Mustang, too. The whole Miss Tubsy doll, a guitar and works. I guess you would call a cash register. Also some fruit it because I want to look as and nuts. I will leave you some much like a cowboy as possible. cake on the table. There will be milk in the ice box.

I love you. Flora Mynea Jones

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl 7 years old. Please bring me a locket and 3 Kiddles, a record player and jacks, also some fruit, nuts and

Love, Gloria Munoz

Dear Santa, I am a little boy five years old. I have been a pretty good boy this year. Please bring me a rifle, guns, Johny West and his horse and a football game, also a truck with a horse van. I will leave cake and milk on

the table for you, Thank you, Ricky Drinnon



If you were to travel through the rural areas of Austria, you would no doubt wonder about an unusual inscription written in chalk above the doorway of many homes. It goes like this: C + M + B = 1967.

These letters are renewed every year at Epiphany, the only change being replacement of the date of the new year. On January 6, 1968, the letters will be renewed, with the sole addition of the new year's

The letters stand for the names of the Three Kings, or the Three Wise Men, or Magi. In case you have forgotten, they are Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar. The Three Wise Men are the focal point of the celebration of Epiphany in the Western church, as they are considered the first called upon to worship Christ as God and King.

Bethlehem. Yet Epiphany, groups around the world. from the Greek "revelation

Dear Santa Claus, My name is Pamela Leigh Santa, I am almost 4 years Davis and I have tried to be good most of the time this year, I would like to have a red tricycle and wagon and something for my dog, Trixie. I will be visiting my Grandaddy and Grammy Davis at Haskell and

I'll leave an apple for you. Love, Pam

Dear Santa Claus,

am a little girl four years old. Being good has been kind of hard part of the time, but I have been pretty good most of the time. For Christmas, I would like for you to bring me a doll, a record, and a sewing ma-chine. Also please fill my stocking with candy, fruit and nuts. Please don't forget all the other little boys and girls across the country.

Thank you, Shelah Nell Jetton 1703 N. Ave. G

Dear Santa Claus,

I am 21/2 years old and very excited about Christmas. For Christmas I would like some boots, levis, a hat, and a cowboy shirt. I would like a Marvel Thank you,

Lee Lane

Route 3, Box 196A Snyder, Texas

Dear Santa Claus, We are two little brothers ages I am a boy, 10 years old. I We are two little brothers ages would like a BB gun and a 2 and 6 years old. We have been ZORRO suit, also some fruit, real good this year. Our names nuts and candy.

Love, Moses Munoz like a bicycle with training wheels and Rickey would like a bicycle with training wheels and Rickey would like a kitty car, and anything else that you want to bring us. Be sure to remember all the other little boys and girls.

Love, Eddie and Rickey

Dear Santa,

I have been a nice girl this year and I would like a trailer bike and a doll that wets its pants.

I am sorry I missed you when you were in town, but I had the mumps and didn't want to give them to you. Remember all the other little boys and girls.



-Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Sawyer-



of the Lord" actually celebrates three manifestations of Christ: to the Wise Men, at his baptism 30 years later, and in the wedding feast at Cana.

The Austrian custom of painting the initials of the Wise Men and the year above doorways replaced the pagan "Drudenfuss" or pentagram and other hex symbols inscribed thereon to guard the house from evil spirits.

During the Austrian Epiphany season, three boys dressed as the Three Wise Men, and called Sternsinger, or "Star Sing-ers", carry the message of the Magi from house to Tradition holds that house. They are rewarded January 6 was the date up- with cakes, candy and fruit; on which the Wise Men in recent years have taken completed their journey to up collections for charitable

#### Cranberries Are American Treat

Cranberries are as traditional as apple pie. Known to the Indians as I-bimi, or "bitter berry", cranberries were pounded into a paste called pemmican, which was used as poultices on wounds.

Noting the berries to be the favorite food of cranes, the Pilgrims called them craneberries. In true American tradition, this was eventually changed to cranberries.

Cranes, of course, are unwelcome in cranberry bogs but other birds are encouraged. Bogs are often lined with birdhouses - homes for swallows, which eat destructive insects.

Along with the birds, the bees play a welcome role in cranberry production. The pollen is too heavy to be carried by the wind so bees are necessary to pollinate the flowers.

New Zealanders spend their Christmas Day in much the same way as it is in the United States and Europe





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## LETTERS TO SANTA

Haskell, Texas 79521

Ta. an organ, a charm for my cat, a selet and a watch. Santa Wir Dates, please do not forget the ther children. Be sure and fill stackings with good es.

With love. Mona Bledsoe

Dear Santa Claus,

ome things I want you to bring me, a watch a playhouse, a play stove. And remember the other children, to give them Dear Santa Claus, With love. Eva Ochoo

905A South Seventh Haskell, Texas 79521
Dear Santa
I am a little girl and I am 8 years old. Please bring me a transistor radio. I would also like to have a watch for Christmas Thank you very much for being so nice to me the last few years. Please, Santa, remember all the other boys and girls around the world.

With love,

A doll that says Mommy and Papa and a buffet and the dishess and a Suz; home make dresser and the accessory. I will be at my grandmother's and grand father's house.

I love you.

Tammy Hale

Dear Santa Claus:

Electric football game
Major Matt Mason
And a Monopoly
Gil Richardson

With love, Kala Pannell

Dear Santa.

700 North Ave. A Haskell, Texas 79521 Dear Santa

Dear Santa Claus, teacher, I wish Santa Claus the and girls. nerriest Christmas of all.

With love, Kelvin Marshall East North first Haskell, Toxas 79521

Dear Santa,
I am looking for you Christmas Eve. I will leave some
a skies for you to eat. I have
about four gifts I would like to
have. They are, a Swinger eammaterial of the state of the cookies for you to

With love. Derrel Schmidt

401 North Ave. G Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa, I am going to leave you 205 S. Avenue J. cup of coffee and some cake, I. Haskell, Texas 79521 will leave you some other

things, too. I am looking for you on Christ-mas Eve. I can't wait unt'l football suit. Please do not for-Christmas comes. These are get the other children. With love,

How have you been in the spring? I have been good. would like this for Christmas: A doll that says Mornmy and

Gil Richardson 1007 Ave. G. Haskell, Texas

Haskell, Texas 79521
Dear Santa,
I will be looking for you this year, I will leave something for you to eat on Christmas Eve. For Christmas I would like a watch and some Christmas candy. Do not forget the other children.
With love,
Duane Roberson

Dear Santa,
My name is Lisa McBroom.
For Christmas I would like a Kodak Instamatic 104 Flash-Cube Camera, a football and the 4th album of the Monkees. I would also like the game Twister. Bring my little sister, Holly, some cuddly toys. Don't forget the other boys and girls.
Love, Lisa McBroom
105 N. Ave. M. Haskell, Tex.

Haskell, Texas 79521 Dear Santa Claus.

My name is Walter and I am
3 years old. I would like a Su-I will be looking for you, I will leave a snack for you, Now here are some things I would like you to leave me, a bicycle and Action City, And don't forget the other children.

With love, Johnny Lancaster

3 years old. I would like a Super Sonda, a rifle gun, a new hat and a gun and holster set. Thank you for the gifts you gave me last year. Please stay warm and don't take a cold so you can make your rounds to all of the girls' and boys' houses. Walter McBroom 105 N, Ave. M. Haskell, Tex.

This is my first Christmas and For Christmas I want a bike. I am very excited about it, My a pair of boots, a cowboy hat, name is Holly and I am 1½ and I want a be be gun. Dear months old. For Christmas I Santa please think of the peowould like a doll, some blocks ple, I wish all my friends a and a toy telephone. Please do happy Christmas, and also my not forget all of the other boys McBroom

105 N. Ave. M. Haskell, Tex,

Dear Santa, I want a doll named Giggles and Mr. Pierre's Glamour School. I want a Home beauty Shop. I love you.
From Renae McBroom 105 N. Ave. M

Dear Santa: I want you to bring me a glove, and a ball, and bring my brothers and sisters something to. Remember all the other boys and girls. I have tried to be a good boy this year. Yours truly. Roy Don Harding

Dear Santa,

I am three years old, Mommy has to write my letter. Thank you for the other times you have left me toys at Christmas. If you visit our house this year, I'll have pie and coffee for you. I would like a Mattel-Phone and The Farmer-Says. If you bring anything else, I'm sure I'd like it. Please fill my sock. I sure like candy. Remember my brother who is 9 years old. He wants an elec-

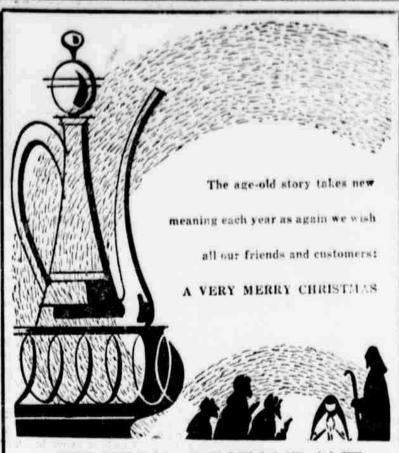
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tric guitar.



Time again to say, have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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### Water Is Key To Safe Tree

mas tree this year, take care

Buy a fresh tree. Your eye will fell you if a tree has started to turn brown. Even if it is ter which keeps the tree natur-very green, tap the butt of the ally moist. tree on the ground. If needles fall, select another tree,

When you get the tree home, douse it with cold water. Then, recut the stem with a new diagonal cut at least an inch above side as 'la part de Lieu' - God's for drawing up water.

Set the tree in water and keep door.

May all the rich blessings

throughout the year!

of this Holy Season be yours

Dick's Barber

Shop

Tommy and Dick

it in water. The first day a tree is in water, it may take up a quart. Afterwards, it should be replenished with lesser amounts. Select a location for your tree that is in the cool part of the If you want a prettier Christ-room, away from radiators, as tree this year, take care fireplaces, radios, TV sets, or

when you buy your tree and other sources of heat, take care of the tree after you A variety of fireproofing materials are available for Christmas trees yet the most effective and inexpensive is plain wa-

#### GOD'S SHARE

In France, a portion of the Epiphany cake is often set athe old cut. This opens the pores share. It is given to the first poor person who comes to the

## **CHRISTMAS URGE**

By Ted Jones Joshua Crane was almost 90 years of age and the richest man in Hilivale. He had not, as the boys around the potbellied stove at Moore's General Store liked to phrase it, "hit a lick at a snake in thirty years." Oldtimers still had stories to tell of some of the ways Joshua had accumulated his

Needless to say, Joshua Crane had no friends. Elmer, perhaps, but it was hard to tell, Elmer carried out his duties as cook, valet and chaffeur with a defference that was unchangingly stoic. Long ago he had learned to turn a deaf ear to the digs and more-than-casual comments of townfolk as he went daily to the market or wheeled the big, black limousine through

Joshua Crane was the nearest thing to a relative or a friend that Elmer could claim. He had never known a family, his first memories of any importance being those of life in sternly managed orphanages, of run-ning away cheating and stealing his way across a continent and eventually into prison. El-mer was grateful to Joshua Crane. Joshua had hired him on a warden's recommendation 30 years ago and neither man had any reason to regret or to

Elmer didn't mind not having family. You don't miss something you never really possessed. Only at Christmas did Elmer feel stirring within himself the urge to reach out and grasp a share of the joy and the goodwill that seemed to permeate the snow-laden streets of Hill-

Christmas alone was a lonely time for Elmer. It was his time of greatest need. And, it was the one time of the year when Joshua Crane insisted on sending him away. For thirty years, Elmer's vacation period extended from December 23rd to January 2nd, without variation. Joshua insisted that he not only leave the house, but "get out of town. Go somewhere Do something. A person gets stale if they never know change."

Awake and restiess in the unfamiliar Ceakness of a hotel coom, Eliner felt stirring within himself the thing he had come to call "the Christmas He dressed, and impervious to the chill of wintry winds, walked the lonely streets. He knew this time the urge would without returning to the hotel for his sparse belonghe stepped aboard a bus that would take him back to Hillvale.

In contrast to the other homes passed along the way, the Crane mansion loomed dark and silem behind the tree-lined

Elmer let himself in as quietas possible, hoping to forestall until tomorrow the tirade that was sure to come his way. Halfway up the stairs a glimmer of light from the partly mened basement door stopped him short Lights. Colored

lights. Blinking lights. Fora long time, Elmer stood, his nose and one eye against landing. The Cellar was alive with sights, and the smell of Christmas. An ancient, carefully preserved metallic Christmas tree held the center of the meticulously with baubles and tinsel that had an equal look of age and une At the base of the tree, splend idly arranged, were an assort ment of gaily wrapped packages, with the discoloring marks of time obvious at each corner

"I knew you would come. I

Crane spoke without turning his eyes from the tree. Hillvale folks had much to

say Christmas Eve when word got around that the Crane mansion was decorated for Christmas, with a tree in the window and a welcome wreath on the

Strangely, the things folks had to say were somewhat kind. The kind of things Folks usually say when the Christmas urge' gins to stir deep within the

#### MIDNIGHT SHOPPER

Many department stores have

### Christmas In The United States

When the Puritans reached New England, they brought with them their dislike for any obser-vance of Christmas and levied fines on those who dared to celebrate the holiday. It was not until the 19th century (after many German and Irish immigrants had arrived) that holiday celebrations really became popular in that part of the country.

In the Southern colonies, in a 24-hour shopping service, If Virginia, for example, there you've reached the point where were gay gatherings of families you can't figure out when you're and friends, with bountiful feasts going to find time to finish your and gala balls by candlelight. Christmas shopping, try doing The aristocratic plantation own-it by telephone in the middle of ers carried on many of the holiers carried on many of the holi-

the yule log burned

The Moravians, who made homes in eastern colonies, because of religious persecution in the Old World, continued their unusual customs. On Christmas Eve, carrying lighted candles and singing a Christmas hymn, they marched into a stable, thus recalling Christ's humble birthplace. In our Southwest, people of Spanish and Mexican ancestry staged old holiday plays such as "Los Pas-tores" and "Las Posadas." tores' brought here from Spain via Old

Mexico. Scandinavian settlers in the Middle West, cherished their feast itself reigns supreme native traditions as have their throughout Scotland, and is andescendants. Therefore, our Am- nually celebrated by cheerful day traditions that had prevail- erican Christmas observance is customs and merrymaking

ed for centuries in the home a most interesting and unusual country. Often the slaves were one; for it includes varied cusnot required to work as long as toms from faraway lands,

#### HOGMANAY

In Scotland, New Year, or Hogmanay, is the great festival of the year, far exceeding Christmas in importance, Many Christmas in importance. Many explanations have been suggested for the name "Hogmanay." It has been variously derived by scholars from French, Greek, Norse or Spanish words connected with the season, but no general agreement on the subject eral agreement on the subject has been reached yet. Whatever the true origin of its name, the

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Santa's I He's Santa Clay names around the called "Father F Children eal Old Falther" ese children call and in Norway, gifts from an e

Tonten." "Pere Nael" youngsters rece from and in Holli s. "Sinterklass." The world has "Santas", but name, wherever

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to Jurasand with the Customers

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

If we strike a solemn note at this g season of the year, it is only because we are membering that there were those who g their all to make it possible for Americ everywhere to observe and enjoy Christn

The peace of Christmas is sacred. we never rouget.



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## SECTION THREE

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NUMBER FIFTY-ONE

I want a cash register, a Johnny Eagle set, a stocking

full of candy and a surprise.

Also a Chief Cherokee, Merry

## ETTERS TO SANTA

says I look just like erry-clothed bath-You won't have to candy or nuts, beon a diet. Santa, Dear Santa. as good to the other

weid McGowen I fixed a pallet living room, Feel

know you will be good

age, I'd like a most of the time. I would like

Thank you, Tammy Roberts Haskell, Texas

I am a little boy five years deer. Santa, you'll find a big old I would like a football suit, applesauce cake on the dining tootball and some guns, Don't forget all the other boys and girls. I'll see you Christmas.

Jimmy Roberts Haskell, Texas

Greetings to our

good friends & neighbors!

OUTS DRY GOODS

I'm a little girl, three years old. My name is Irene. Here is my Christmas list: John I'm a little I am a little girl, 7 years old, pajama bag. Fve got plenty of pajamas to stuff it with, I'd al-

P. J. bag. My a little Miss First Step and a Baby Teenytalk. Santa, would telephone that talks. See you you bring me a kilt just like also like a little Christmas. Don't forget the like one my sister wants. I wear a size 3 dress. Please bring me lots of nuts and candies.

Love and a big kiss, Irene McGowen

(Pure Sugar: There are carrots year. Come to see me. in the refrigerator for your reinroom table so help yourself. The milk and sandwiches I made for you are in the refrigerator, too.).

Dearest Santa Claus,

Here I am writing you these few lines first to say hello and hope that God have help you this year. So you can send me and my 2 sisters a Toy for Christmas because mom and daddy ever year don't have money to buy some toy so please send us some toy for

Thank you and God bless you, Yours truly, Diana Masias P. O. Box 2 Munday, Texas 76371

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a baby doll and high chair for her. I want some dishes, a baby buggy, a cleaning set, a skipper doll. I have been a good girl. Please leave my things at Daddy Jack and Grandma Sanders. I love you very much.

Deborah Sue Cox, Age 4 Denver, Colorado

> 400 S. Ave. F Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa, I am a little boy 7 years old. I would like for Christmas a transistor radio. My little brother, Ricky, who is two years old, would like to have a toy tool set. He likes to hammer. We both would like to have candy, nuts and fruit, too. We will have our stockings hanging. Don't forget my Mother and Daddy and please don't forget the other little boys and girls.

Dear Santa.

I can't say I have been good little boy this year, but I have tried and for effort I would like a tricycle, wagon and

cowboy guns.
Please don't forget all the other kids. Love, Barry Tidrow

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a boy 4 years old. I would like for you to bring me punching bag for Christmas. I have been pretty good this football, I would like a big sup-

Jay Druesedow

Love, Mark Hix 2217 ROSS ABILENE

Dear Santa,

Christmas!

I want a be be gun, Daniel Boone suit, football suit and a rice if you have enough toys. Love, Paul Hix Abilene, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you doing? I think I have been a good girl this year I would like a jewelry box and a Luckie locket kiddle named Lilac with long blonde hair, and a doll named Ruthie. We have been very nice, Good-by, And bring all the little boys and

girls toys.
Love, Twyla Druesedow
9 years old
Abilene, Texas

P. S. We will leave some cookies or a piece of cake for you by the fireplace.

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been a good girl this year so will you please bring me a Twisten Barbie with some clothes and suit case. A camera, blackboard, makeup kit, sewing machine and a skipper doll. Please leave these at Daddy Jack and Grandma Sanders. will be there Christmas. Love, Brenda Kay Cox Age 7, Denver, Colorado

Dear Santa Claus, I want a stocking full of candy, a biby first-step, a piano, dishes and surprise. Love, Kim Hix



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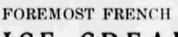
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#### CHRISTIANITY'S PRECEPTS

Christmas is almost upon us.

The tinsel and multi-colored lights, the crispness in the air, the Goodfellows making ready to deliver the baskets of goodies to our Goodfellows making ready to deliver the baskets of goodies to our Monday night as regular night less fortunate families. These are evidence of the gentle customs watchman. Mr. Cousins has t and traditions of Christmas, reassuring proof that we still live in record as a police officer for a reasonably stable society.

If we but observe Christmas in its broader meaning this year, it should help bring reason and humility to our aid in finding ans- ed to replace the signal lights wers to man-made evils.

Christianity is the faith of civilized man. Its precepts become most clear in the enduring observances of the Christmas Season. The disorders that have swept the world and our land are a signal that we should repair to the precepts of Christianity, and there is no better time to start than this Christmas Season.

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## Haskell County History

30 YEARS AGO

(December 24, 1937) Robert Dean came in Monday to spend the Christmas vacation with his grandmother, Mrs. R. the crop of 1927, prior to De-B. Fields. Robert is attending cember 1, 1927, as compared the University of New Mexico with 41,268 bales ginned to Deat Albuquerque.

Thomas Keigler, student in Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Keigler for merce. a week's holiday. He will re-turn to Lubbock, Dec. 26th.

Robert Thompson is spending Christmas holidays in Cewith friends and relatives. Marvin Gholson of Dallas is

spending the week with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gholson and family.

Bob Wheatley, student in A&M College, returned home to spend the holidays with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Claude day to spend the holidays with

Wheatley, Ross Chapman of Stamford Texas Tech, Lubbock has purchased the west side cafe from James Roy Akins and Jessie Seets and will operate it himself

Al Cousins, peace officer for many years, was employed by the City Council in a meeting number of years, having served as sheriff, city marshall State Ranger and United States Marshall. The Council also voton higher poles on the northwest corner of the square.

The Avoça cagers will attempt to stop the winning streak of the Haskell quintet here Thursday night at the gymnasium. Winner in three straight games Indians meet a much stronger club in Avoca basketeers than any of their other

Miss Mary Alma Sprowls, a acher in the Haskell South Ward School for the past several years, and Mr. Cecil Jetton of Weinert received the marrige vows in a ring ceremony Wednesday, Dec. 22, 1937, at 8:00 p. m. at the Methodist parsonage with Rev. R. N. Huckabee officiating. Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Maxwell

former county agent of Haskell County, are visiting friends here during the Christmas holidays.

> 10 YEARS AGO (December 22, 1927)

Hughes, farmer and rancher who lives in the Post community nine miles southeast of Haskell, took first place premium on the best ten heads of mile maize exhibited at the Chicago International Grain & Hay Show which has recently closed. This is the second time he has won first on maize at the International Show as he

There were 40.557 bales of cotton, counting round bales. ginned in Haskell County, from cember 1, 1926, according to Jas. E. Lindsey, of Rule, Spe-1926, according to Pexas Tech, is with his parents, cial Agent of the Dept. of Com-

Dennis P. Ratliff, attorney of this city, has been appointed District Deputy Grand Master of the 91st Masonic District of Dallas and Fort Worth Texas, according to information received from Grand Lodge headquarters. Mr. Ratliff has been very active in Masonic activities in this city, and his elecuty of this district is an honor well deserved.

home folks. He is attending



May Peace and Jov Be Yours!

The traditional symbols of the Season bring good wishes.

> **BLOHM STUDIO**

H. B. Weaver, who recently from Mineral Wells where they purchased a home in the northhave been attending Vaughan western section of this city and Normal Musical School. moved his family here for the benefit of the splendid schools renewed the Free Press and had

60 YEARS AGO (December 21, 1907)

Sorry! The December 21 and We are glad to welcome this 28 issues of the Free Press are missing from our files. The 60years-ago column will be resumed with the first issue in

CARD OF THANKS

of Rule for more than 10 years We wish to express our sinand was one of the best carriers in his work and endeared him- cere thanks and appreciation to our many friends and neighbors self to his patrons so closely for the beautiful floral offerings, that they hated to give him up. cards, food, words of consola-He is now engaged in farming tion and other acts of kindness and fruit raising, having one of shown us during the loss of our the best fruit orchards in the loved one, Fred Allen,

The Yuletide season is a wonderful time.

grown-ups. May all the happiness

throughout the New Year.

that comes to you and your dear ones

With it comes fun and laughter for the children

good cheer and pleasure for the

this Christmas continue

NINE POINT

GRAIN, INC.

Haskell - Rochester

Misses Mae, Ollie and Faye Free returned last Wednesday Mrs. Fred Allen and children.

it changed to his address here.

good family to a home in the

of Rule, was in Haskell last Wednesday, Mr. Vick lives at

Rule and carried the mail out

Vick an ex-mail carrier

HASKELL CORPSMAN RECEIVES CERTIFICATE

Johnny Lee Johnson, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Johnson, of Haskell, was among 231 Gary Job Corps Center trainees to re- course

ceive a certificate of at formal graduation ies recently at San Ma Johnson, who has training at Gary seven completed a Dry

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TUESDAY, DEC. BARGAIN

# MOVING SA Now In Progressi

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## Merchandise Has Been REDUCED

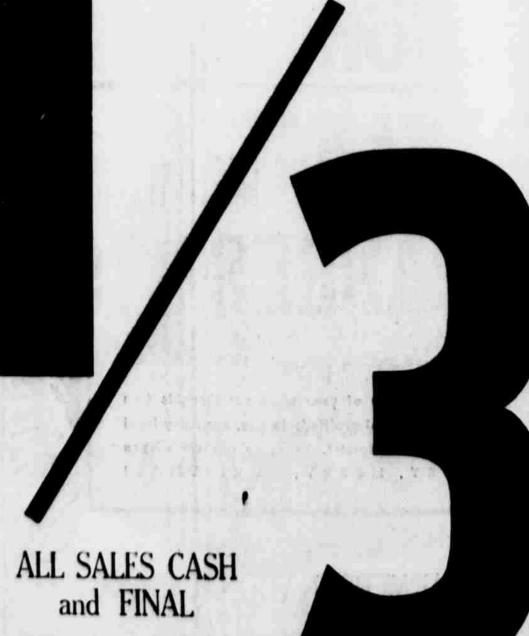
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### CHRISTMAS IS DEADLIEST HOLIDAY SEASON OF ALL

commanding the Northwest Re- liquid form. This deadly comgion of the Texas Department bination of the throttle and of Public Safety. 'Ironically, bottle many times turns rejoicful occasion," Major Moore ed a drinking driver," warns

"It is a sentimental holiday. at highway speeds means more (4) Did not have right-of-way. accidents," the Major adds. "We feel it is important to

"It would be interesting to discover, in this era of jets and computers, what the word holiis the first thing that flashes to mind when the word is mentioned? Time off from work? a over the state," Major Moore trip?—An excuse to celebrate?— said, Or a tragic accident toll?" Major Moore asks.

"Unfortunately, truthful ansthat holidays must have an as- back and forth,

spiritual significance, is the tolls," the Major says, deadliest holiday of all, accord- "The joyous spirit of Christing to Major Luther C. Moore, mas is too often sought in the

Christmas achieves this terrible ing into deepest sorrow. Last dinstinction precisely because year in Texas, 38 per cent of we want it to be such a wonder- all rural fatal accidents involvthe Major.

Major Moore reported that People will drive long distances the four most frequent violafor the traditional family re- tions in all rural fatal accidents union, undaunted by bad wea- are: (1) Speed too fast for conther and road conditions. More ditions, (2) Driving while drinktravel-especially winter travel ing. (3) Wrong side of road, and

"We feel it is important to point out these facts as the Christmas holidays approach, in the hope that our fellow citizens day means to most people. What will heed them as warning against doing the things that have caused fatal accidents all

#### FOR YOUR TABLE

Decorators say that your tawers probably would place all ble arrangements should be of those higher on the list than kept as low as possible. In this the true meaning of the holiday, way conversation across the ta-And it's especially unfortunate ble is possible without dodging



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## The Good Earth

By Mrs. B. F. Cobb

As I write this column the ground is white with sleet and it is now raining and freezing as it falls. If the rain and freezing conditions keep up, I fear much damage to trees and shrubs. As soon as the weather permits, broken limbs should be cut smooth, and an application of tree paint applied to the scar. Rough, broken limbs make a good nest for the borer fly to lay its eggs in. The borer then enters the tree, often destroying large limb or the entire plant, Examine shrubs for broken limbs and give them the same treatment as you would a tree. Casey.

Many gardeners get a great esire to prune roses during warm days in December and January. This practice is often the cause of plant loss, Dormant buds are stimulated to early swelling and opening, if the bush is pruned too early in the winer. The new leaves and often canes will be frozen and killed. Nature will reserve a few buds if the plant is left undisturbed until late February or

early March. I have been adding up several things that indicate to old timers there is a long hard winter ahead. First, I learned that apples ripened two months early n Arkansas; this is an indication of an early and severe winter, so say the oldtimers. Corn shucks were extra thick this year, this, too, is said to be an indication of early and a hard winter; thick pecan shells and a heavy crop of nuts is also said to be another sign. And last but not least is the Indians' way of foretelling the coming of a hard winter: Pinion nuts fell at least two months early this year in Colorado. I just wonder how true these omens will turn out to be? May we, the Haskell Garden Club and I, wish you a very Merry Christmas and a new year filled with good gardening.

#### Stanley Fancher Named FHA Beau

Stanley Fancher was elected FHA beau for 1967-68 at the Future Homemaker's regular meeting held recently. Stanley is a senior. He has played on the Indian varsity team for three years, and also plays basketball.

After the business had been completed, Peggy Blair and Linda Riley presented a Christmas program for the FHA'ers. Peggy gave Peter Marshall's "Let's Keep Christmas" while

## News from Rule

HOLIDAY

FRUIT CAKE

died cherries: 1 cup (1/2 lb.

chopped candied pineapple; 1/2

cup (¼ lb.) chopped candied citron; ½ cup (1/4 lb.) chopped candied lemon peel; ½ cup (¼ lb.) chopped candied orange

peel: 1 cup light raisins; 1 cup

chopped walnuts; 3 cups sifted all-purpose flour; 1 cup butter

or margarine; 1 cup sugar; 4 eggs; ¼ cup light corn syrup; 1/4 cup orange juice; 1/4 cup

combine fruits and nuts; cont

well with I cup of the flour.

Cream butter or margarine and sugar until light and fluffy. Add

eggs one at a time, beat in well

after each. Combine corn syrup, orange juice and sherry; add al-ternately with remaining flour to creamed mixture. Fold in the

fruits and nuts. Poul batter in-to well-greased baking pan of

desired shapes. For 5-12 cup ring molds, bake 75 to 85 minutes at

275 degrees. For 4-1/2x2-5/8 x 2

inch pans, bake 60 or 70 min-

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acle of blooming plants adds a

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son. A plant expresses your message with feeling and mean-

After the holidays have pass-

ed, your gift remains as a pleas-

you are thinking of them.

ant reminder to someone that

A good gift for a shut-in could

A pre-school child likes toys

utes at 275 degrees.

11/2 cups (% lb.) chopped can-

The Junior Class of Rule High School had its Christmas party in the Lamar Casey home Monday night, Dec. 11. Mrs. Allene Summers direct-

ed the group in games. The class exchanged Christmas gifts. Refreshments were served to: Kenny Tanner, Barry Hobbs, Mike Hughes, Charles Lott, Gary Casey, Debbie Wilson, Caron Cloud, Karen Lee, Paula Elmore, Linda Jones, Charlotte McQuinn, Anella Chambers, Sonja Casey; Class sponsor. Connor Horton: and the room mo-thers, Mrs. Russ Hobbs, Mrs. F. L. Chambers, Mrs. Summers, Mrs. Don Lee and Mrs.

MONDAY NIGHT CLUB
The Monday Night, Bridge
Club had its annual Christmas dinner and semi-annual enter-tainment on Monday night, December 11 in the home of Mrs. C. W. Dunnam.

After games of bridge and bingo, gifts were exchanged. Members attending were: Mrs. Lonnie Martin, R. C. Pool, L. W. Norman, Bryce Weaver, Jess Place, W. L. McCandless, John Estes, Earnest Simpson, Allen Davis, Festus Hunt, Charlie Bills and the hostess.

Mrs. Connie O'Neal visited he can put together or build. friends in Spur and Hamlin ov- Blocks are an all-time favorite. er the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Kinney and Dwight visited Pvt. Ronald be a flowering plant. The mir-Kinney at Fort Sill, Oklahoma,

Mrs. Jackie McGee and children and Mrs. John Estes spent the weekend in Lubbock with the Gerald Beck family. Mrs. McGee had dental surgery while

Dr. Larry Horton is visiting his parents for three weeks. They met him in Dallas. He has been stationed in Connecticut. Jerry Hadaway is spending a month with his wife and son in Rule, and his parents in Haskell Jerry is stationed in Ger-

#### COUNTY AGENT'S CORNER

By R. W. Schumann Haskell County Agricultural Agent

There are six fine 4-H clubs here in Haskell County involv-Linda presented a reading which told of the origin of the Christmas hymn "Silent Night." In Passell County involving some 250 boys and girls. These clubs provide an opportunity for boys and girls to meet together for club meetings and have individual projects which are of interest to them. There is never any trouble in getting the boys and girls interested, but I guess one of the main problems we have in the county is getting adults to work with these boys and girls, Each club needs several adults to work with the members on club organization and also on proj-

In January or February of 1968, the Home Demonstration Agent, Ruth Ann Fansler and myself will be trying to organize a county-wide 4-H Adult. Leaders Association. We hope that this organized group of adult leaders will be able to help us plan and carry out a more effective 4-H program for the young people of the county. I hope that any interested adult join this association. Our 4-H young people are missing a lot of opportunities by not hav-ing an organized group of adult leaders behind them.

## Funeral Services Held Friday For Pete Barnard

Funeral for Herman Adkins Banard, 65, long-time O'Brien resident, was held at 2 p. m. Friday from First Bap-tist Church, at O'Brien, with Rev. K. E. Wooley of Benjamin

Burial was in O'Brien Ceme-tery under direction of Smith Funeral Home of Knox City. Banard, a grocery store oper-ator, passed away Wednesday, December 13, in a Knox City

hospital.

Born Dec 22, 1901, in Alabama, he moved to O'Brien as a child. He married Jackie Thomas in 1927 at Rochester. He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Joe of Boron, Calif.; two daughters, Mrs. Joe Barton of Benjamin and Mrs. Otis Frazier of Abilene; a brother, R. P. of O'Brien; three sisters, Mrs. Lilly Vannoy of O'Brien, Mrs. Velma Tillinghast of Odessa and Mrs. Emma Cornett of Portales, New

#### TAX MAN SAM SEZ:

Most farmers have practically finished the harvest for 1966. There is still time to reap a tax deduction or two for January I. This is a good time to get down to your County Agent's office or to the nearest Internal Revenue Service office and pick-up the 1968 Farmer's Tax Guide. A few hours spent plowing through this hours spent plowing through this down-to-earth Internat Revenue Service farm tax booklet could yield a reduced tax bill and, at least you will face up to your

#### KAY NEWTON ELECTED TOTEM POLE BEAUTY

Kay Newton of Weinert has been elected a Totem Beauty by the student body of McMurry College. She was chosen from a group of 21 candidates. Eight young women were chosen as Totem beauties for the college

Miss Newton is an office ad-ministration major at McMurry. A freshman student, she is a member of the Chanters,



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## News from Weinert

The big news in this part of the country is ice, rain, sleet and snow with everyone staying in as much as possible and having no company from Thursday through Saturday night. Harlon Weinert reports eighttenths of moisture

Mrs. Preston Weinert left Sunday night by train from View to spend Christmas with her daughter, the Perkins', in Houston. Mrs. J. A. Driggers left by

bus Friday of last week to spend a few days with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Murphy Flana-gan and Jay in Weatherford. Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Ashley

left Monday morning to spend Christmas with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Johnston and family. They will be met there by their so, Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Ashley, of Lufkin, Elwood Bruton, of Carswell have become so involved in the FB. Fort Worth, visited his commercial aspects of Christ-AFB. Fort Worth, visited his

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bru- mas that we forget the spiritual ton Monday of last week, Mr. Mrs. Bruton returned to Fort Worth with him and visited her mother. Mrs. Drue Rhine. They also visited Mr. Bruton's sisters, Mrs. T. H. Foxall and Miss Sallie Bruton and other relatives in Decatur.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Sanders had the misfortune of losing their house and all contents in an early morning fire Friday. Origin of the blaze was not determined. They were at Wichita Falls visiting their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Offutt, at the time of the fire.

Rev. and Mrs. Ross Anderson attended funeral services for Willie Wicker at Seymour last Wednesday at 4:00 p. m. Bro. Anderson preached the service at the Calvary Baptist Church.

Rev. and Mrs. Ross Anderson attended funeral services for Mrs. Mack Russell at First Christian Church in Seymour at 2 p. m. Wednesday of last week. Ernest Stewart, of Hamlin, visited Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Vaughn Monday.

#### Christ Gave Real Meaning

"I am come that you might have life and have it more a-bundantly."

In these words, we find the true meaning of Christmas. Jesus Himself said it...

"For the Son of man is come

At Christmas, we observe more than the birth of a child;

#### Area Jehovah Witnesses Plan Special Week

Jehovah's Witnesses from Long before Christianity, pa-Haskell, Rule, Rochester and Munday are planning a special week of activity, January 2-7, gans believed the mistletoe to have special healing powers. The early Christians used mistletoe when Circuit Supervisor Robert to adorn the alters at Christ-mas, as a symbol of the Lord's N. White visits the local congregation.

healing power. Early Christians Mr. White, accompanied by also exchanged the kiss of rechis wife, Ruth, travels a circuit onciliation before receiving holy sacrament at the altar, a pracof 13 congregations and three tice which led, perhaps, to the modern custom of a kiss under isolated groups in central and eastern Arkansas, and Texas.

According to Mr. Short, Presiding Minister of the Haskell congregation, the purpose of the Giving gifts and sending tical assistance to each individ-part of our Christmas become a ual Witness in his personal minfribute to the spirit of the sea-son. In the final analysis, we house-to-house witnessing . . . Therefore we look forward to Circuit Supervisor.

vides training in public speak- taken.

ing and "Service Meeting which gives counsel in Bible teaching, will be held Following this Mr. White is scheduled to address the congregation in a 30-minute discourse

Wednesday through witnessing activities will be conducted from house-to-house is the above mentioned cities in which local members will be aided by Mr. White in their teaching technique.

The audience will share in the Saturday evening program at 8:00 when "New Things Land-ed" are discussed. Scriptural admonition will then be offered by White in a 30-minute talk on Improving Personal Ministry.

The climax of the week's a tivities will be a public address Sunday at 4:00 p. m. when White discusses, "Science the Bible and Your Faith." Final istry. "It is a part of our re-Bible and Your Faith." Final ligion," Mr. Short said, "for remarks to the congregation each member to share in the will bring the program to a conclusion

All interested persons are inthe three visits a year from our vited to attend the meetings ircuit Supervisor." which will be held at Kingdom Tuesday evening at 7:30 a Hall, 1413 N. Ave. J. Haskell, "Ministry School" which pro- Texas. No collections are ever



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#### Problem: Catch Up With The Sun

The sun in the morning sky is much more important to man than the signal that a new day has begun. Since man first began marking time, the sun luss always posed a problem. Leap years in our present Gregorian calendar are necessitated by the fact the solar year is longer than the calendar year.

The problem is not new Sometime in the seventh constituted the Roman calendar Although it was revised several times, by the reign of Julius Caesar, the Roman calendar was some two months behind

Caesar put his best minds to work on a new calendar. They came up with a better method of keeping up, but could not de-cide what to do about the two months needed to actually eaten up with the sun. They solved the problem by inserting two additional months between the months of November and December, making the thencurrent year, which we now reyear in history a total of 445

Total U. S. production of cot-

'Adverse weather conditions

letton Council in Oklahoma City

The Rolling Plains organiza-

ion has set a goal of 20 mem-

ers for attendance at the meet-

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tive vice president, and Bragg. oven

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Rolling Plains Cotton Farmers

Winding Up Short 1967 Harvest



Neu Connery (kid brother of Sean Connery), James Bond's filmic after ego) has the leading role in a suspense drama called aptly 'Operation Kid Brother." The picture, in Technicolor and Techniscope, will open Sunday, December 24 at the Texas Theatre.

World consumption for 1967-68

estimated at 52.5 million

5.2 million less

bales. Under present programs

TREE LEGEND

Suggestions For

boliday menus and today's

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prepare than those on Grand-

To bake your Christmas ham,

place it fat side up on a rnek

in an open roasting pan. Insert

a meat thermometer into the

Do not add water and do not

"cook-before-eating"

should hake until the meat

thermometer registers 160 de-

3 hours for a half ham, 2 to

For heating a "fully cooked"

CHURCH SERVICES

SUPERSTITIOUS PIE

ple originated in Germany, while others say that its beginning is

lost in the annals of history. It

was, however, an essential part of the Yuletide celebration in

Old superstitions held that

any person refusing to eat mince

pie would be unlucky for the

coming year. Those who did partake, would have the same

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#### Cotton Classing Report

The Munday Cotton Classing Office of the U. S. Department Farmers in the 32 West Texas planning for their 1968 cotton ounties comprising the Roll- crop. So far this year, the price of Agriculture classed about 9,ng Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., received by farmers for 1967 500 samples for the week ending Dec. 15, 1967. This brings the long with producers through crop cotton has averaged 8.5 it the Cotton Belt, will soon cents above the average market season's classing total to 65,000 wind up the 1967 harvest with in 1966 and 4 to 14 cents above

Grades, staple and micronaire readings continued to drop as harvest entered the final stages. Consumer and Marketing Servce statistics show 14 per cent classed in the white grades as compared to 21 per cent last Texas' crop has been placed the price paid for cotton in classed as Light Spotted as compared to 1968 could reach record highs," pared to 69 per cent last week current U.S. compared to 1968 and Spotted Cotton in pared to 69 per cent last week current U.S. compared to 1968 and Spotted Cotton in pared to 69 per cent last week current U.S. compared to 1968 and Spotted Cotton in pared to 69 per cent last week current U.S. compared to 1968 and Spotted Cotton in pared to 69 per cent last week current U.S. compared to 1968 and Spotted Cotton in pared to 69 per cent last week current U.S. compared to 1968 and Spotted Cotton in pared to 69 per cent last week current U.S. compared to 1968 and 1968 13 per cent as compared to last week's 9 per cent. Individual There are many legends cons grades were Middling 4 per cerning the origin of the Christ- cent. Strict Low Middling, mas tree. One of the most un- per cent; 53 per cent Middling throughout West Texas, as well usual is found in an old Ger- Light Spotted; 18 per cent Strict as the entire South, are largely man folktale. According to the Low Middling Light Spotted; 1 responsible for the reduced per- story, a branch of fir was given per cent. Low Middling Light acre yields, said Brasg, "Pays to a forester's family after they Spotted; 9 per cent Middling ments offered by the govern- had offered food and shelter to Spotted; 2 per cent Strict Low a waif, who was in reality the Middling Spotted, and 2 per cent Christ Child. The forester put was called Tinged. Six per cent the branch into the ground and was reduced because of grass ii grew into a tree which always or back,

> Staple lengths for the week were 13 per cent 29/32, 67 per cent 15/16; 14 per cent 31/32, and 5 per cent 1 inch or longer Micronaire readings were 84 per cent 3.5-4.9, 5 per cent 3.3-4: 6 per cent 3.0-3.2; 2 per cent

2.7-2.9 and 2 per cent reading 5.0 or higher, Prices on cotton were about the same as last weeks with 32 and 15/16 staples selling at about 400 points over loan value and 31/32 at about 500 points over. Several sources reported a drop in prices the last of the week which did not show

#### CHRISTMAS VILLAGE

up in this week's price aver-

Torrington, Conn., erects for a day, but for 15 days, Festiviits children in December a Christmas village, where Santa the new moon and were climax-Meantime. Brigg urges all wish, add your favorite glaze and his elves work on toys, sur- ed two weeks later by "Teng often producers in the Rolling 20 to 30 minutes before the end rounded by shelves loaded with Chich," the Feast of Lanterns. gifts. Santa Claus chats with hom the youngsters and provides each one with a gift.

His sleigh and reindeer are likewise an attraction and include Rudolph, the Red-Nosed The Nativity scene with the Holy Family is lighted by a Star of Bethlehem.

### For Enrollment For Medicare Some individuals over 65 in Haskell County have not signed up for Medicare.

Special Period

This comes to our attention every once in a while when someone enters a hospital but has no Medicare identification eard," according to Don Austin, social security representative, who will be in the City Hall Annex. Haskell, every Thursday

in January at 10:00 a. m.

Austin will be glad to assist anyone who has not signed up to file an application. The period from October 1, 1967, through March 31, 1968, is a special enrollment period for those who were past age 65 in 1966 and overlooked taking out the doctor bill part of Medicare.

#### Lamb Said It: No One Is Indifferent

Charles Lamb put it very concisely when he said that one ever regarded the First of January with indifference. Curiosity, hope and superstition have marked man's observance of the New Year for cen-

Among superstitious beliefs was that "dipping" provided an insight into the future. Dipping involved the opening of the family Bible while the head of the house, with eyes closed, indicated a passage with his finger, the text supposedly properly interpreted, was supposed to foretell the good or bad luck in

tore for the months ahead. Man has always been as curi ous about what the future holds as he has been eager to learn about all things unknown. Have you ever noticed how many 'forecasters' are present at New Year parties and gatherings? Almost everyone can tell you what is going to happen in the world of business and finance, in politics, in affairs of state, in our relations with countries around world.

Be indifferent about the Nev Year? It's hardly possible. Try as you may, you cannot help but dwell for a moment upon the personal events and happenings of 1967. And, you cannot deny that yau have some hopes and plans for 1968. We hope that it is a very good

year for you.

#### CALM CHILDREN

Active children become more exhuberant with the coming of the Christmas season. The mad rush of shopping and holiday preparations stimulates a child's emotions.

Child specialists believe that quiet atmosphere and ex plaining the joys of the holiday have a more peaceful season. We should spend more time

getting children ready for a reverent Christmas rather than a commercial one. When the en tire family pause to understand the true meaning of Christmas, it will be a joy to all.

#### CHINESE NEW YEAR

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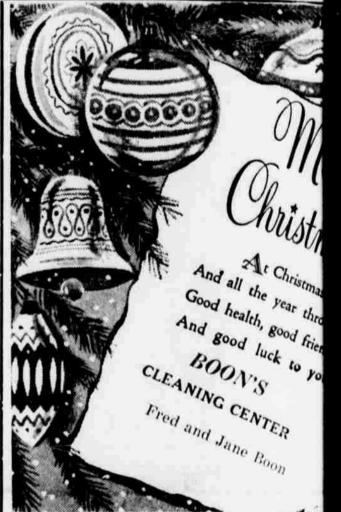
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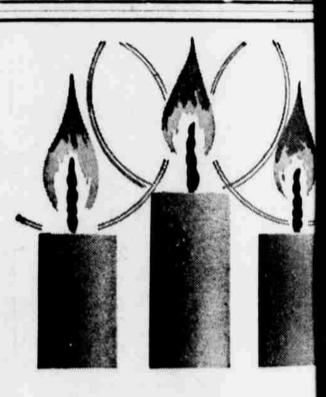
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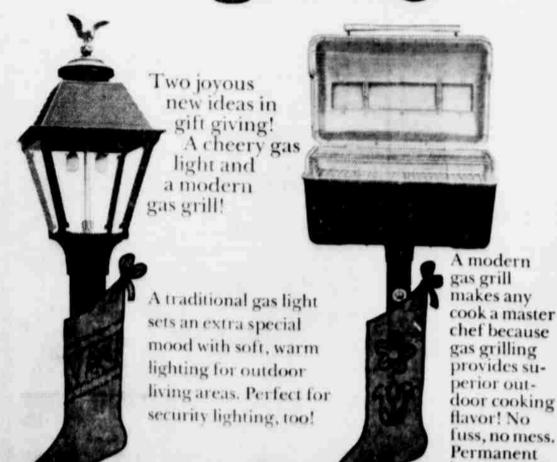
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