

WEST WIND

At the first faint signs of approaching Christmas, I thought, well—how can I get interested in it again? Same old stuff.

I don't know exactly what happened or how. Perhaps it was a blast from a red bugle in a toy store; the soft echo of a carol across the crisp night air; the bright twinkle of a star in the eastern sky or bright tinsel. Who knows?

Maybe it was throngs of laughing, carefree people surging through the markets; that unmistakable gleam in little children's eyes; an oratorio in the village sanctuary with a lingering melody of "O, Holy Night". I can't answer for sure.

It is humanly impossible to define all the mysterious emotions that have transformed me into a kid again under the stimulating spell of an unexplainable and irresistible force.

Yes, it is Christmas AGAIN! Let the glad Hosannahs ring. MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE EVERYWHERE!

One thing is certain. No one could have left the discordant telephone meeting Monday night with any degree of doubt as to the attitude of General Tel on the subject of rural phone expansion.

That meeting was a jolly old chestnut-roast in which two essentially opposing schools of economic thought clashed head on in another vain effort to solve a very real community problem.

Since the advent of cooperatives, I have been inclined to discount their theory as a basic trend toward socialism, but my personal feeling on that subject is rather passive at the moment.

However, I am still simple minded enough to believe that individual initiative and free enterprise are the capitalistic essentials that have made America the greatest nation on earth. But on the other hand, I am also convinced that if all utility companies in our area were to measure every service extension strictly by the yardstick of "economic feasibility", a lot of us would be carrying water in a bucket, cutting stovewood and reading by kerosene lamps!

Under such circumstances I would be tempted to reconstruct my views on some political philosophies just as we apparently are going to be compelled to do on the telephone issue by adopting the cooperative plan.

All this frictional meeting provided, as I see it, was an opportunity to hear the brass of GTC make a rededication of their ancient penny-pinching policy not to spend one lousy so on rural construction.

In fact, I am proud to report that I had no part in inviting those politely abusive diplomats to Earth. They collectively symbolize the same old wolf I've encountered many times before, only prowling under another sheep skin—suave, cunning, evasive and perfectly adept in all the double-tongued hokum known to the trade.

In an unguarded moment of bubbling generosity, one of their clever spokesmen stunned his audience by announcing that old big-hearted GTC would "be willing" to install telephones in every farm home at "slightly reduced" rates, if those farmers would construct (subject to company approval) all the necessary lines for such service and deliver those lines to GTC COST FREE.

You know it is just downright difficult to comprehend such benevolent and humanitarian regard with Christmas balls. Date and pecan cookies and hot chocolate were served to about twenty five persons.

Without minimizing or exaggerating any of the forthcoming issues, I can frankly tell you that there will be one or more elections that you will certainly not want to miss. PAY YOUR POLL TAX WITHOUT FAIL!

It is always important to pay your poll tax. Many of our citizens in this school district have been greatly embarrassed by not being qualified to vote in recent

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Telephone Debate To Be Continued With Mass January 3rd Meeting

Methodist Men Host To Banquet

The Methodist Men's Organization played host to a banquet given in the basement of Earth First Methodist Church, Thursday evening.

Earth Rain Hold Service

Two candidates were entered into the Order of Rainbow for Girls Monday evening at Earth Masonic Hall.

Christmas decorations remained throughout the hall. The cat was covered in red and showered with silver snowflakes.

Grand Faith of the State of Texas Order of Rainbow for Girls. The finale of the program came with the group singing "Silent Night".

Girls Take First Place in Tournament

Davis, Hamilton Receive Honors

The Springlake girls basketball team brought home the first place trophy at the Lazbuddie Tourney.

A meeting of the heads of all civic, social and farm groups, together with the General Telephone and REA officials, was held Monday night in the Community building to discuss a rural telephone service for the general area surrounding Earth.

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Christmas Meetings

Baptist Present TV To Cecil Meadows

Rev. Gene Matthews was guest speaker at the regular meeting of the local Women's Society of Christian Service Monday afternoon at the church.

Christmas Program Presented Sunday

A Christmas program was presented at the church Sunday evening at 7:30 p.m.

Regular Meeting Held By P-TA

The Christmas spirit prevailed at the regular meeting of the P-TA.

Pvt. Becker Completes Course

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Youngster Escapes Injury By Dogs

Sammy Ownby, six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ownby, escaped unhurt but a very scared little boy Monday morning after being knocked down and fought over by two dogs.

Brownie Scouts Enjoy Party

The L. J. Welch home was the scene of a Yuletide party Tuesday night with little Miss Tonnie Welch playing hostess to the Brownie Scout Troop 24.

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California Visitors Here

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Inglis and family of Napa, California, are visiting in the J. B. Inglis home.



Mrs. Hilbert Lee Wisian

Betty Gregory Weds Hilbert Wisian In Impressive Wedding Ceremony

In a formal ceremony performed at the Earth First Methodist Church Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, Miss Betty Gregory became the bride of Hilbert Lee Wisian.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Lee Gregory of Earth and the bridegroom a son of Mr. and Mrs. Hilbert Wisian of Springlake.

Vows were exchanged before an archway covered with pink carnations and greenery flanked by candelabra and huge baskets of assorted flowers.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an original model of white nylon tulle over taffeta. Designed with a portrait neckline with upstanding cuff of lace framing yoke of pleated tulle the fitted bodice had long sleeves completed by gauntlets ending in points over the hands and terminated with deep points at the front waistline.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held in the church dining room. The bride table was laid with a white cloth and centered with a three-tier wedding cake.

Reception

Rev. G. Matthews Speaks To Ladies

The Rev. Cecil Meadows family was wonderfully surprised with the delivery of a new Stewart Warner T. television set to their home Tuesday.

The modernistic set which is mahogany and boasts a 21 inch screen was purchased at the local White's Auto Store and was a gift from members of the First Baptist Church where Rev. Meadows is pastor.

Garden Club Awards Prizes To Winners In Home Lighting Contest

Winners in the "Home Christmas Lighting Contest" were announced Tuesday evening at the meeting of the Good Earth Garden Club in the home of Mrs. Guy Kelley.

First place was taken by the home of Mr. and Mrs. Billy E. Hodge, second place, the Lester Hammons home and third place, the Guy Kelley home.

Gifts were exchanged and secured tea and snowball cookies were served from a table decorated with a snow man, surrounded in Christmas holly and candles.

Twenty-two members were present and guests were Mrs. Guy F. Kelley and Mrs. Donald Kelley.

WANT ADS

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3-Bedroom home and lots (75 x 140 ft.) Attached Garage, South Front, On Paved Street. For information see O. B. Whitford, Earth, Texas.

FOR SALE
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FOR SALE
1954 Westinghouse Clothes Dryer. Used very little. Also, practically new Revere Sound Projector, 16 M. M. Would trade for livestock or butane tank. Bill Morris, 3 mi. north of Earth.

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FOR SALE - House and 4 lots. See Jim Sloan, Earth, Texas.

FOR SALE - 6000 Hegari bundles. Lewis Wilson 3 1/2 miles west and 1 north of Earth.

WANTED TO BUY - Bundles. Billy Hodge, Phone 4221, Earth

FOR SALE
Modern four room house, landscaped, located on North 5th Street. Dale Winders.

FOR SALE
Used Pressure Pump, Complete. See Harry Maze, Earth, Texas.



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From all of us to all of you we extend this greeting. We thank you for your past cooperation and hope that you will let us serve you during the coming New Year.

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GLORIOUS CHRISTMAS

Glorious to God, this wondrous morn,
On earth the Saviour Christ is born.

A season of rejoicing and thoughtfulness of others. May we add to your happiness by wishing you and yours a Joyful Christmas.

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Mr. & Mrs. Walter Donald

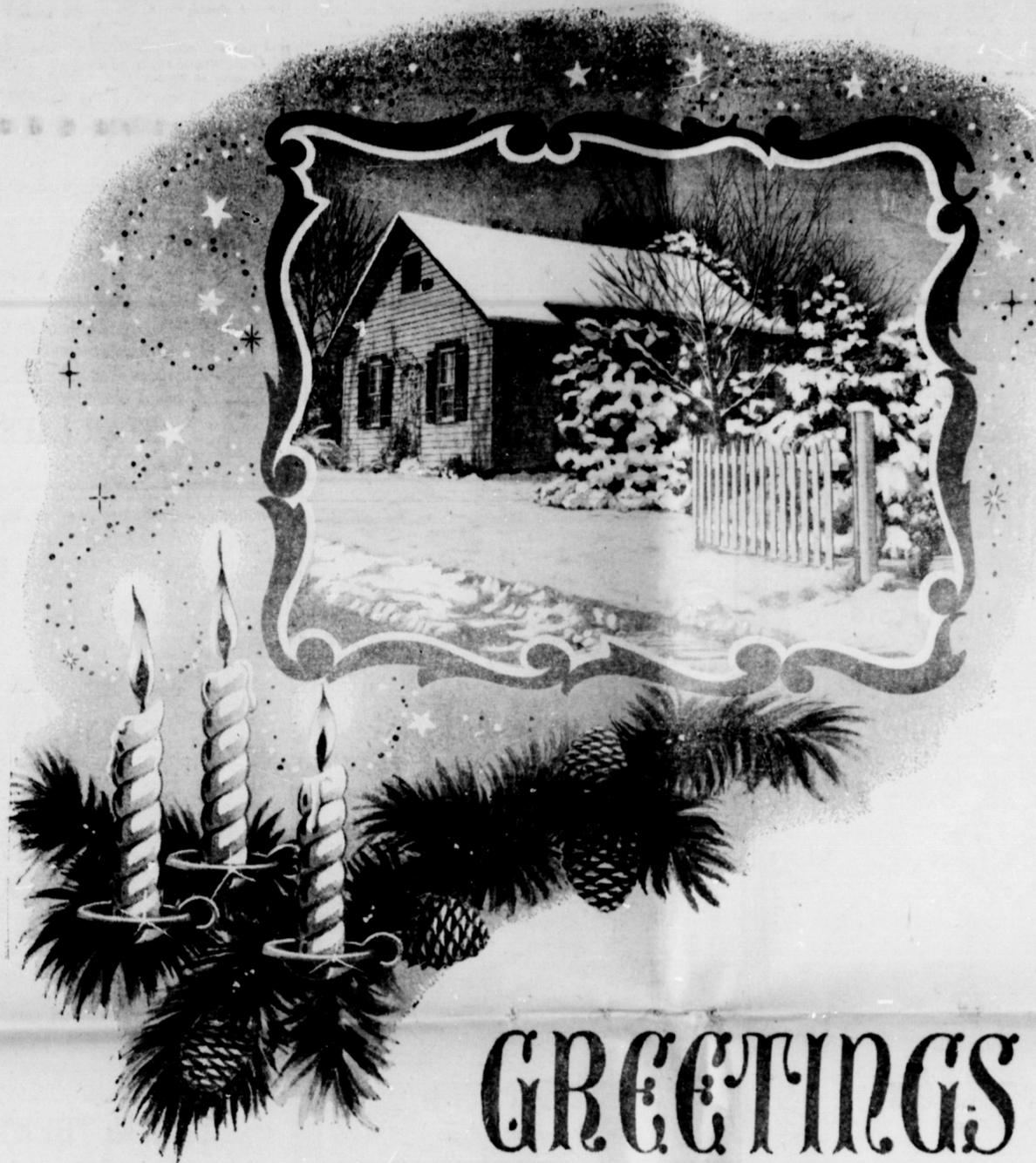


Season's Greetings

We would like to put into words the very nice things we're wishing you this Christmas. Yet, it is not so much the phrasing of a Christmas greeting but the thought that pervades it that counts. And so we send to all our friends the very old yet always new Greeting - A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

Farm Chemical Co.
Bill & Sandy

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Phone 4171 Earth, Texas



GREETINGS

Always at Christmas time, there comes that special delight in extending to our many friends the greetings of the Season. This year, more so than ever before we appreciate the good will and close friendship that exists between our patrons and ourselves. It is with this fine relationship in mind that we wish you the fullest measure of Yuletide cheer and happiness and a prosperous and healthy New Year.

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Lloyd R. Goodwin Discharged Dec. 15



Lloyd Ray Goodwin

Lloyd Ray Goodwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Goodwin, Earth arrived at the home of his parents Thursday December 18. Goodwin was discharged from U. S. Army December 15. odwin was with the service two years and spent the last several months of his duty in Germany. He is a graduate of Springlake High School.

Northwest Corner News

By Mrs. C. B. Landers

The Pleasant Valley Social Club held its regular business meeting, installation service and Christmas party combined, in the home of Mrs. Doyle Turner, last Wednesday evening, Dec. 15.

Mrs. Raymond Roubinek presided over the business meeting and as outgoing president, acted as installing officer pinning a beautiful Christmas Corsage on each officer as she installed them.

Those taking office were Mrs. Jim Grizzle, President, Mrs. Billy Free, Vice-President, Mrs. Floyd Andreas, Secretary - treasurer, Mrs. LeRoy Hicks, Program director and Mrs. C. B. Landers, reporter.

Gifts were then exchanged and secret pals revealed.

Delicious refreshments were then served to Mesdames George Wuerlein, LeRoy Hicks, Gerold Allison, E. K. Angeley, Oscar Allison, Raymond Roubinek, Floyd Andreas, Bud Holdeman, Harold Allison, John West, Billy Free, C. B. Landers, hostess, Mrs. Turner and her mother, Mrs. Evans.

The first meeting of the New Year will be Jan. 5, in the home of Mrs. John West.

Children Enjoy Christmas Party

The Christmas spirit prevailed throughout the evening at the Jarvis Angeley home Monday night as a party with several lively young people was held in the basement of the home.

Christmas seemed very near with the big fire place blazing and Christmas lights and trees placed about the room.

Refreshments were served to the following: Francis Cole, Kenneth Lowe, Hilda and Doyle Bills, Joe Campbell, Terry Green, Larry Kelley, Yvonne O'Hair, Bob and Tracy Angeley, Gene and Jerry Tunnell, LaRue Glasscock, Carol Hamilton, and Richard Moore.

Also Gary and Glen Bulls, Dean Jones, Billie Robnett, Noel Gilmore, Miran Mullis, Mrs. Paul Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Pete O'Hair, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Jones, Jr. and the host and hostess.

Mothers Honor Brownie Scouts

Brownie Scout Troop No. 24 was honored with a Christmas party last Friday night at Earth Legion Hall. The party, was given by the mothers of the Brownie members.

The hall was decorated throughout with a Christmas scheme.

Several games were played and gifts were exchanged.

Refreshments of sandwiches, cookies, and cold drinks were served to about thirty persons. Place cards were made of miniature red boots with names inscribed on them.

Hamilton Re-Elected To Head Ropers

Earth Roping Club met last Thursday evening to elect officers for the new year. By an unanimous vote the old officers were re-elected. They are

Price Hamilton, president; Dewey Green, vice president; and W. H. (Bud) Jones, secretary. The group discussed the building of a new concession stand and also decided to improve the entire rodeo grounds. Earth's next year's Rodeo was again set for the last week end in July. Sandwiches, pie, cake, and coffee were served to twenty-one persons.

Sigmans Give Christmas Party

The V. J. Sigmon home was the scene of a Christmas party Monday evening. Gifts were exchanged and "42" was played. Refreshments of pecan and mince pie, ice cream, and coffee were served to Mr.

and Mrs. Buford Price, Mr. and Mrs. Cleis Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny K. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Denton Talbert, Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Dent, Mr. and Mrs. Carlis Bills, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Goodwin and the hosts.

Worrel Rites Read Wednesday

Funeral services for Ernest W. Worrell, 59, were held Wednesday afternoon in the First Baptist Church at Sunnyside. Interment was made in the Otton Cemetery under the direction of Lemons Funeral Home in Plainview. Worrell, a farmer who resided near Sunnyside, died Saturday

in Fayetteville, Ark., after having suffered a heart attack. Mr. and Mrs. Worrell had gone to Fayetteville about two weeks ago for a visit.

He was a veteran of World War I. He and Mrs. Worrell were married 35 years ago. Mrs. Worrell is the only immediate survivor.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

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May a joyous Christmas usher in a New Year of happiness and good health for all our cherished friends.

A. D. TAYLOR

A HOLIDAY GREETING

"You merry folk, be of good cheer,
For Christmas comes but once a year
From open door you'll take no harm
By winter if your hearts are warm"

STAR CAFE

GREETINGS

May you enjoy lasting good cheer, happiness and good health all through the Christmas season and the New Year.

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HOLIDAY GREETINGS

In this Merry Christmas Season, may you find the start of a very Happy New Year.

HERBERT DUNN
Tax Assessor and Collector

We don't know what is in the bag for you but we sure hope this Holiday Season will be happy and the New Year a prosperous one for you.

EARTH THEATRES

NOEL

All glory be to God on high
And to the earth be peace;
Goodwill henceforth, from Heaven to men,
Begin and never cease.
May the blessings of Christmas be yours

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But still as bright as a candle's flame.
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And a bright and happy New Year too.

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We make this wish that's most sincere
A happy day that's full of cheer
And then what's more, A bright New Year!

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Greetings

On this joyous Christmas we wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to all of our patrons and business associates for their friendship — their cooperation — their loyalty during the past year. A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone.

LaRue Jewelry

Dear Santa,
I am telling you what I want. A doll with rooted hair, Kay Stanley cake mix set, house keeping set.
Be sure to bring my little brother a car convoy, a fire truck, 4 miles north and 4 1/2 west of Earth and a high line pole thing, a log truck and a basketball goal.
Anita Sharon and Perry Don O'Hair.
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Friday, December 24, Until Monday Morning.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

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Dear Santa,

Have a Merry Christmas.

Please bring me a saddle and bridle to put on a horsey, Old Colty. I want him to know my horse name Now, a road grader and a dump truck for Jerrel Lee, a police car for Jerrel Lee, a gun two guns for Arthur Ray.

I need a Hopalong Cassidy watch.

I love you,

Arthur Ray Haber

RETURN FROM CONVENTION
Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cearley returned Friday night from the County Judge and Commissioner's Convention at Houston. Headquarters for the convention were at the Rice Hotel.

VISITED BROTHER

Sam Cearley and Clyde Cearley visited Carl Cearley of Hale

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Center who is a patient at the Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

COLLEGE STUDENT HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Miss Janabeth Laing is visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Laing.

Miss Laing is a sophomore student at Baylor University in Waco.



Heap on more wood!... the wind is chill;
But let it whistle as it will,
We'll keep our Christmas merry still."
... Scott

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String up the lights, dust off the shiny ornaments—for it's time to decorate the tree and to wish all our many friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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County Clerk, Elect.

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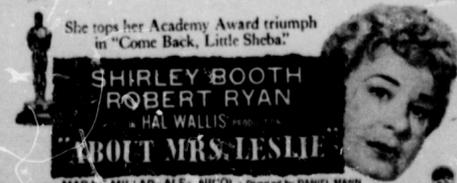
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Shebah Lodge - Each Thursday night

I.O.O.F. Lodge - Each Monday night

Rainbow For Girls - First and third Monday nights

Eastern Star - Second and fourth Monday nights

Masonic Lodge - Second Sunday nights

V. M. S. - Each Tuesday at 3 p. m. (Baptist) Auxiliaries - Tuesday at 4 p. m.

W. S. C. S. - Each Monday at 2:30 p. m.

Wesleyan Service Guild - Second and fourth Tuesday nights

Methodist Men's Organization - First and third Tuesday nights

Baptist Brotherhood - First and third Tuesday nites.

Good Earth Garden Club - First and third Tuesday nights

Thorn and Country Study Club - Second and fourth Thursday nights

Farm Bureau - Second Tuesday nights

Farmer's Union - Each second Tuesday night

P-TA - Each third Thursday at 4 p. m.

Girl Scouts - Each Thursday at 4:30 p. m.

Stowbie Scouts - Troops 23 & 24 - Each Thursday at 4:30 except third Thursday

Booth Woodman Circle Group - 2275 - Each third Tuesday at 4:30 p. m.

Americas Legion - First and third Thursday nights



We hope that this Christmas season will be for you one of good cheer and gladness, rich in the joys of friendships and all the good things that make life comfortable and worthwhile.

We sincerely wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

Little's

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Merry Christmas



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Christmas



O God, who makest us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of thine only Son Jesus Christ; Grant that as we joyfully receive him for our Redeemer, so we may with sure confidence behold him when he shall come to be our Judge, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.





A HOLIDAY of Good Cheer

May this Christmas find you surrounded by those you love, enjoying to the fullest all the pleasures of a joyous Holiday Season.

From The Owners and Employees Of
City Drug

Letter To Santa

Dear Santa Clause,
I want you to bring me a Bal-
lerina doll and camera and tea
set and table and chairs set and
Sanda LuLu wants a Baby doll
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and bicycle.
Love from Bee Gee and Lu Lu
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Christmas Quiz

1. Why are candles used during the Christmas season?
2. Who gets credit for origin of the custom of hanging Christmas stockings?
3. Is Kris Kringle and Santa Claus the same?
4. Who was Joel Poinsett?
5. Who set the first Christmas cards?
6. Which state has a town named Santa Claus?
7. Legend says the crown of thorns was plaited from which Christmas plant?
8. What does the name Kris Kringle mean?
9. Who wrote "A Visit From Saint Nicholas?"

ANSWERS

1. As symbols of the Star of Bethlehem.
2. Saint Nicholas once dropped some coins down the chimney of a poor family. The coins fell in a stocking hung up to dry.
3. Kris Kringle is recognized as Santa's helper.
4. The American statesman

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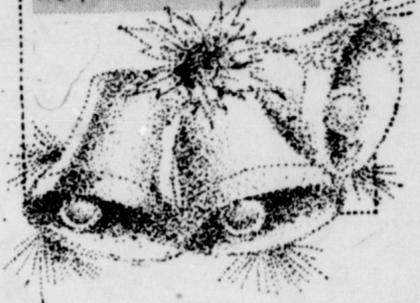
who brought the poinsetta from Mexico.
5. Henry Cole, and Englishman in 1846.

6. Indiana.
7. Holly.
8. Christ Child.
9. Clement Moore.

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Christmas GREETINGS



May the Christmas bells ring a cheery note for you at this season, and all the good things of life be yours in the coming New Year.

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We earnestly wish that all of the excitement, enjoyment and good fellowship of the Yuletide continue to be yours long after the Holiday Season has passed.

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At this season, our thoughts turn gratefully to those whose courtesy, loyalty and cooperation have assisted in our progress—to you, we extend our best wishes for Happiness and Prosperity.

White Auto Store
Roger Haberer, Owner - Jim Sanders, Mgr.

Shower Honors Miss Maxcey

Miss Joan Maxcey, bride-elect of Lexie Branscum, was complimented with a "come and go" bridal shower last Thursday evening from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Church of Christ parsonage.

Approximately sixty guests were greeted by Mrs. E. W. Harper and registered by Mrs. Harvey Evans.

The tea table was laid with a white cut work cloth and centered with an oblong mirror. Stationed at the back of the mirror were two hearts woven together in white satin. Placed on one end

of the mirror was a silver colored doilie centered with a miniature bride and groom. For a finishing touch, on the opposite end of the mirror were an enormous white munn and a large white bow with "Joan and Lexie" inscribed in silver on the streamers. The centerpiece, which was formed in triangular shape, was set off by tall, white tapers on each side. Miss Shirley O'Hair and Miss Sherry Stine served the white cake, decorated with miniature wedding bells and Miss Betty Gregory and Miss Lois Lewis served spiced tea. Silver wedding bells, tied with white satin ribbons and inscribed with "Joan and Lexie", were used for favors.

Co-hostesses for the occasion were Mesdames H. L. Patterson, Truman Stine, Edward Jones,

Local Children Participate in Piano Program

The Hi-Lo Piano Club met Sunday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock in Fellowship Hall in

Henry Lewis, John Laing, Wayne Rutherford, Earl Moore, Perry Martin, W. H. Jones, A.D. Taylor, E. C. Clayton, Roy Gover, H. N. Seymour, Caris Bills, H. L. Evans, F. D. Clayton, Bill Beasley, R. D. Ussery, John Garrett, Robert O'Hair, E. W. Harper, Mildred Free, Cullen Hay, Oliver Tunnell and Miss Janice Jones.

Muleshoe.

Co-hostesses for the occasion were Mesdames L. J. Welch, M. S. Childers, Frank Hinkson, Bill McDaniels, and Oscar Allison.

"One Afternoon of Music" was presented by piano pupils of Mrs. Sam McKinstry. Local youngsters who participated on the program were Vicki Lynn and Donna Kay Talbert, Tonnie Welch, Ilene Angeley, and Johnny and James West.

For a part of the afternoon's program, the entire group joined in the singing of a medley of Christmas carols.

Christmas decorations dominated the large stage where two

pianos stood with a large Christmas tree in the center. The steps leading to the stage were flanked by candelabra and cedar branches.

Refreshments of Christmas cookies and cranberry punch were served to the guests. Persons who attended from Earth were Mr. and Mrs. Denton Talbert, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Parish, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Drake, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny West, Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Angeley, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Welch, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Goodwin, Mr. and Mrs. John Welch, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Stout, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Welch and Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Angeley.

Wedding Party Feted With Rehearsal Dinner

The Gregory-Wisian wedding party was feted with a rehearsal dinner in the basement of Earth First Methodist Church Friday evening.

The long dinner table, around which the guests were seated, was covered in white and centered with a miniature bride and groom standing under an archway covered in pink carnations and flanked by candelabra. The

centerpiece was a miniature setting of the Sunday wedding.

About thirty persons attended the dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Sanders left Tuesday to visit their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Weems, in Calif.

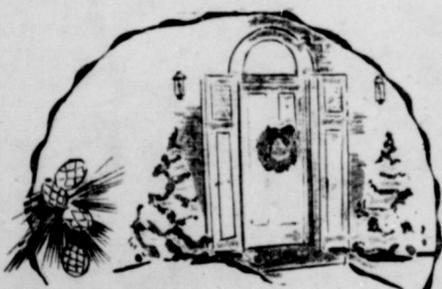
Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Weaver spent Monday in Littlefield.

Francis Strickland of Matador visited her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Starkey, last week end.



We'd like to come in here and wish you many friends the Happiest of Holiday Seasons and thank you for your many kindnesses during the past year. May your New Year be bright.

SANDERS LUMBER



merry CHRISTMAS

Not believe in Santa Claus. You might as well not believe in fairies. Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those which neither children nor men can see. No Santa Claus. Thank God, he lives and he lives forever. ... Frank Church

HAMMONS SERVICE STATION



A Joyous Christmas

As joyful voices herald the approach of another Christmas season, we are grateful for the friendships and close associations it has been our privilege to enjoy.

At no other time of the year do warm feelings and fond words seem more fitting and sincere and so, in humble appreciation of our good fortune, and from the bottom of our hearts we say, "A Joyous Christmas To All".

O. C. McBride & Sons Gin

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa,
I want a toll and bed for Christmas.

Love
Barbara

Dear Santa,
I want a doll and bed for

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kisinger and girls are leaving Friday for Graham, Texas where they will visit for about a week.

HOME OF PARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Ray Phifer of New Home spent last weekend in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Belew.

Pvt. Macky McCarty and Pvt. Dudley Roach arrived here early Monday morning from Camp Gordon, Georgia, to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents.

They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. McCarty of Earth and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Roach of Springlake.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Starnes and family of California are visiting in the home of her mother, Mrs. Myrtle McNamara.

Rheta Fern Sanders of Dimmitt is spending this week with Henrian Rudd.

Gary Province has recently completed his basic training with the U. S. Navy in San Diego and is visiting his parents here this week.

Province will report to Norman, Oklahoma, after the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Bock and Mrs. Marie Bock returned Monday from a few days visit in Los Angeles, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Cannon of Lyndon, Alabama, are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Parish.

Miss Beth Bulls is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Crill Bulls, Beth is a student at W. T. S. C. in Canyon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Vogt attended a Southwestern Public Service Banquet in Clovis, N. M., last Friday evening.

Christmas.

Love
Kathy

Dear Santa,
I want an electric stove. Forget record player and bicycle.

Patricia Ann Vogt, 6
Earth, Texas

Dear Santa,
I want a football.

Don Park

Dear Santa,
I want a doll and bed for Christmas.

Love
Peggy Kelley

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, a bicycle.

Ninfa Aguirre
Springlake School

Dear Santa,
I want a tiny television doll and record player and don't forget the other boys and girls.

Beverly Kelley

Dear Santa,
I want a cowboy suit, gunshop

Larry Glasscock
Earth, Texas

Dear Santa,
I want a football, cowboy suit and two guns.

Jessey Cole
Earth, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 5 years old and for Christmas I would like a bicycle with wheels on the back cause I can't ride one, a teddy bear, and a pair of boots.

Dear Santa,
I will leave you some cookies and milk on the coffee table cause you nearly always come before I get home from the store. I hope to see you in Earth

Dear Santa,
I love you,
Doug Messer
Earth, Texas

Dear Santa,
I want a doll buggy. Do not forget the others.
Maretta Lynn Hammons
Earth, Texas



Greetings

The year-end holidays bring a welcome pause in affairs of business . . . an opportunity to put aside daily cares for a while and share with friends the happiness and good fellowship of the season.



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Merry Christmas

Now that the Yuletide Season is here again, we find ourselves eager to express to you our good wishes for a Christmas long to be remembered in years to come as the most enjoyable of them all.



Ware's

Littlefield, Texas

Christmas

Rejoice!

It is the time for rejoicing. There are so many things for which each of us should be grateful.

We rejoice with you, happy in the knowledge that this year, indeed, will see you enjoy the finest Christmas ever.

Greetings

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Seven Years Ago This Week

(From The Files Of The Earth Sun)

Rev. Luther Sharp, noted lecturer and after dinner speaker of Clovis, N. M., entertained members of the Earth Lions Club and their ladies Tuesday night at the annual Christmas banquet.

More than one hundred high school students attended the bi-

monthly "Fun Night" in the new gym at the Springlake school on Thursday night, December 11.

At Tuesday noon the two Earth gins reported 6,636 bales ginned. The two gins at Springlake reported 7,198 or total of 13,834 at the two points.

On Wednesday afternoon, a

double ten shower was held for Mrs. German Bill and Mrs. Barney Ginnock in the home of Mrs. J. L. Hanson, with Mrs. Sam Cearley and Mrs. N. F. Chevinger as co-hostesses.

It is reported that John Laing received head injuries in a three-car collision four miles west of Earth Tuesday afternoon.

Springlake basketball split their games with teams from Littlefield, Friday night. Local boys downed the Wildcats, 21-20, but the girls bowed to Littlefield to the tune of 33-21.

Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Angeley and children will leave this week end for San Diego, Calif., where they will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bulter and other relatives.

Commissioner Sam Cearley of Earth, Judge Otho F. Dent of Springlake left for Austin where they met with the Highway Commission there this week.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,

I want a train and some skates. Please bring me some candy and nuts too. I will be a good boy and eat my food.

John Jr.

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a doll, a rpd telephone, a nurses set, amix master and a sewing machine. That might be too much but I have been a nice

girl. I love you, Santa Claus.

Wayna Mae Rutherford

Dear Santa,

I'm looking for you again this year. Though I would write you a few lines to let you know what to bring me.

I'd like very much to have a toy car hregister, a magic skin doll and some candy. I hope you visit all my friends and make them happy too.

I hope to see you soon.

Joan Kelley

Dear Santa,

I would like a doll with a pretty yellow dress, an electric mix master, a nurses set and a jumping rope. I want a sewing machine but that might be too many things to ask for. I will be a nice girl at home and be still for my teacher in the school room.

Please remember all the little children who need food and clothes.

When you come to our house, look on the table where I will leave you some hot coffee. I love you very much.

Sue Neal

A CHRISTMAS BIT

If I were Santa Claus this year, I'd change his methods for the day

I'd give to all the children here, but there are things I'd take away.

I'd enter every home to steal, With giving I'd not be content,

I'd find the heartaches men conceal,

And take them with me where I went.

I'd rob the invalid of pain;

I'd steal the poor man's weight of care;

I'd take the prisoner's ball and chain

And every crime that sent him here.

I'd take the mother's fears away, the doubts which often fret the wise—

And all should wake on Christmas Day

With happy hearts and shining eyes.

—Edgar A. Guest

Dear Santa,

I want a football suit, electric train.

Randy Kelley

Earth, Texas

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,

I want a walking doll and I want a dish set. Jacqueline Parish Rt. 1 Dimmitt, Texas

Dear Santa,

I want a desk and an accordion

and basketball.

Vicki Lynn Talbert Earth, Texas

Dear Santa,

I want an electric train, tractor.

Mike Dent Earth, Texas



Greetings

Here is our wish to all our friends—that this may be the Merriest Christmas ever—the Happiest, Healthiest and Most Prosperous New Year of all.

Curtis Wilkinson
County Attorney



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This Christmas, as every Christmas, we wish all of the wonderful things of life for our many friends and patrons, and sincerely hope that some of the spirit of Christmas will follow them throughout the coming year.

Earth Oil Co.

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The Holiday Season affords us the opportunity to express our appreciation to our many friends for their good will and thoughtfulness during the past year.

And with this appreciation goes our wish for a memorable Christmas—one that will be abundant with good cheer and good health followed by a New Year of contentment and good fortune.

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Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
I want a doll and doll buggy
I want a book to. And do not for-
get the other children.

Donna Scott
Earth, Texas

Dear Santa,
I want a buggy and doll and
some dishes and I want a book.
My Name is
Judy Gaye Parker

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I help
my mother. Bring me just what
you want to bring.

Marg De LaGarza

Dear Santa,
I want a baby doll. Please do
not forget the other children.

Love, Etwila Jade
Rt. 1
Dimmitt, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bike and a
football. I will give you some
cookies and milk.

Your boy
Oscar Jeeza

Dear Santa Claus
I am seven years old. I am in
the first grade and I have been
a good boy and want you to bring
me two guns and a scabert.

A good friend
Joe Radford

Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle and a nurse's
kit. I am seven.

Love,
Laura Ann Jones,
Springlake

Dear Santa
I have been good. Please bring
me a doll, candy, nuts and fruit.

Love,
Alicia Galloway
Earth, Texas

Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle and a doll. I
guess that is all for this Christ-
mas.

Love
Louise Gregory

Dear Santa,
I hvae been good. Please bring
me candy, train track, also nuts
and fruit.

Love,
Terry Parish
Earth, Texas

Dear Santa,
I have been good. Please bring
me a truck, candy, nuts and fruit.

Love
Davey

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bicycle, can-
dy, nuts and fruit. I am a good
boy.

Love
Freddy

Dear Santa,
I am six years old. I want a
typewriter and doll and clothes
for Christmas.

Love
Jane Randolph

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll and
buggy and dishes and cook out
and suitcase.

Love
Pauletta

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some toys for
Christmas. I am a good little girl.

Dominao Hernandez

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some toys
Christmas. I am a good little l

Cecil Chavez

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some toys
Christmas. I am a good little l

Jerry Don Sanders

Dear Santa,
I want a train and football
a gun.

Love
Bobby Coker
Springlake, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some toy
am a good little boy.

Lynwood Hamilton

Dear Santa,
I want a doll please. Do
Please not forget my little l
er.

Danna Davis
Earth, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll and
buggy.

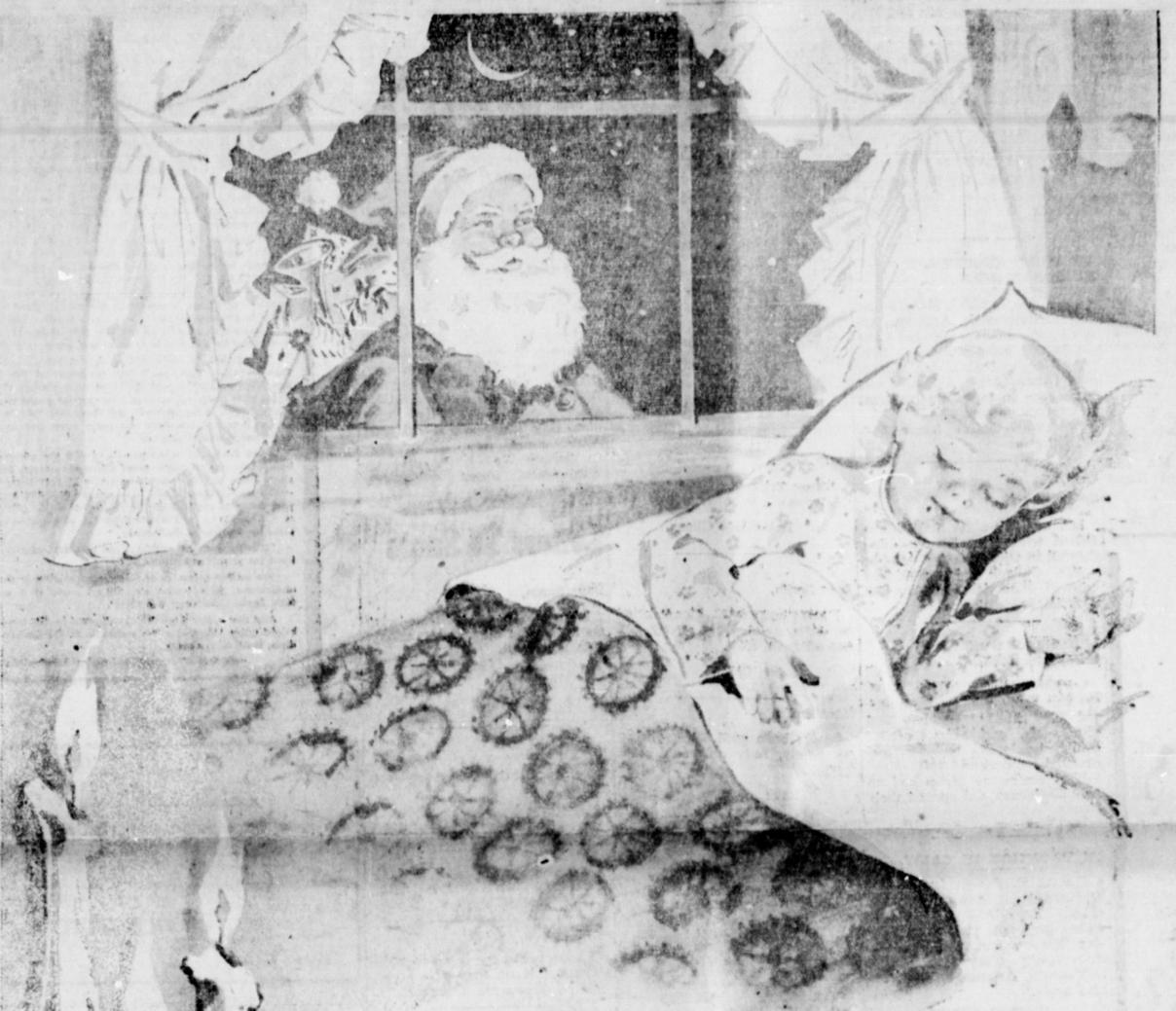
Thank you
Silvia Flores

Dear Santa,
Bring me a big doll.

Marcelina Palomino

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the Grade I. I like
read. Please bring me sor
books.

Thank you
Juan Bustos



*"Twas the
Night Before Christmas..."*

*All through the house there's a stir of breathless excitement of
this Christmas Day to come! Of the beautiful trees bedecked
with tinsel, candy cane and gay, shiny-ornaments. Of the gifts
to be given and received and then opened ...*

*And through a dream the night before, the Day fast becomes a
memory rich with the sound of voices and laughter expressing
good wishes and good cheer as relatives meet and friends greet.
For above all, this is a Day of brotherly love and warm friendships.*

*And in this same joyous spirit—we add our own wishes that this
Day and the coming year as well—brings you the joy of
dreams and expectations come true!*

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Duane Barrett, Carolyn Kiker Exchange Vows Saturday

Miss Carolyn Kiker became the bride of Duane Barrett in a ceremony read at 6 o'clock Saturday in Joseph A. Hill Chapel on West Texas State College campus at Canyon.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Barrett of Farmington, N. M., formerly of Earth.

Rev. Strauss Atkinson, pastor of the First Baptist Church read the double ring ceremony before an altar flanked with baskets of gladioli and candelabra.

WEARS IVORY SATIN

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a ballerina dress of ivory satin, with round neckline inset with accented with seed pearls. Long sleeves, tipped in pearl buttons, pointed over hands and pearl buttons used the fitted bodice at the back of the neck. The bride wore a two-tiered, fingertip veil trimmed with Chantilly lace and seed pearls and she carried a Bible topped with red roses.

Miss Anita Tooley of Clovis, N. M., acted as maid of honor. She wore a ballerina length dress of red net over taffeta, with a red stole and carried a nosegay of white chrysanthemums.

BROTHER IS BEST MAN

Ray Barrett of Canyon served his brother as best man. Ushers were Joe Snyder of Pampa and

Sonny Shackelford of Levelland, both students at West Texas State College.

Barbara and Carolyn Barrett, sisters of the bridegroom, were candlelighters and little Todd Cone of Canyon, cousin of the bride, served as ring bearer.

MUSIC PLAYED BY SISTER

Miss Naomi Kiker, sister of the bride played the traditional wedding marches and accompanied Mrs. Kent Kiker, the bride's sister-in-law, of Ladunja, Colo., she sang "O Promise Me" and "Because."

Following the ceremony, a reception honoring the couple was given in the Baptist Student Center, after which the couple left for a short wedding trip. Mrs. Barrett chose for traveling a Navy blue suit with black and fuschia accessories.

Mrs. Barrett is a graduate of Floydada High School and a senior at WTSC where she is majoring in music education.

Barrett, a graduate of Springlake High School is also a senior at the college. He is a ministerial student and will enter a seminary upon his graduation in the spring.

GUESTS WEDNESDAY EVE.

Dinner guests in the M. W. Messer home last Wednesday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Angeley and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Simmons and Roger and Colie Huffman.

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RAY and MILDRED

GUESTS FROM AMARILLO

Mr. and Mrs. James Lott and daughter of Amarillo spent last week end in the M. W. Messer home.

VISITS PARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Barton of Dimmitt spent Sunday in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Barton.

LITTLEFIELD VISITORS

Mrs. Sam Jones and Mrs. Ernest Jones of Dimmitt were visiting in Littlefield Monday.

IN LUBBOCK SATURDAY

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Anderson and family spent Saturday in Lubbock.

SPENDING CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS HERE

Mrs. Jack McCord, Marylu and Kay of Batesville, Arkansas, arrived here Monday to spend the Christmas holidays. Also here were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Walker and daughter of Abilene who have gone on to Quannah, Texas to visit his parents.

Mrs. Walker is the former Pat-sy McCord.

VISITED IN OLTON SATURDAY

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Hickman visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Cuhwell in Olton Sunday evening. Mrs. Cuhwell underwent surgery in Plainview Monday but is recuperating nicely.

LUNCHEON GUESTS IN SANDERS HOME

Luncheon guests in the A. M. Sanders home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Sanders and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kelley and family and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sanders and Tim.

After lunch, the group had an early Christmas and opened their gifts.

ON VACATION IN CALIF.

The C. P. Parish family left Wednesday for a two weeks vacation in Reddy, California where they will visit Mrs. Genevieve Emory and the Howard Bulls family. They plan to visit in Phoenix, Arizona, on their return home.

CALIFORNIA VISITORS HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Murrell and Buddy of McFarland, California, arrived last Thursday for a two weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Skinner.

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Letters To Santa

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I want a kite, electric train.
Please bring it to me.

Jimmy Shirey
Rt. 1
Dimmitt, Texas

Dear Santa,
I want a train and football and

Rafael Berrera

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some toys for Christmas. I am a good little boy.

Jerry Anderson
Earth, Texas

Dear Santa,
I want a doll and bed for Christmas.

Love, Jill McCord
Earth, Texas

Dear Santa,
I want a train and football and gun.

Love
Buddie Robnett

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some toys for Christmas. I am a good little girl.

Betty Lou Clines

Dear Santa,
I have been good. Please bring me candy, and a big sleepy doll and nuts and fruit.

Love, Cheryl

Dear Santa,
I have been good. Please bring me candy, nuts and fruit and football.

Love
Juan Manuel Baeza

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a jumping rope, candy, nuts and fruit.

Love
Nonabeth Pheian

Dear Santa,
I have been good. Please bring me a bicycle, candy, nuts and fruit.

Love, Ken
Rt. 2, Hart, Texas

XIT Study Club Program Presented

The Christmas program of the XIT Study Club of Springlake was held Tuesday night in the home of Mrs. Dale Chitwood. The business session was presided over by the president Mrs. James Sanderson. The minutes were read and the yearbook of business followed.

Yearbooks were presented to each member by yearbook chairman Mrs. Bill Burrow. The Study Club received certificates from the Texas Federation of Womens Club, which was presented to the club by the president.

For special projects of the year fifteen books were brought by members of the club, which will be given to the school library.

Mrs. James Busby gave a review of a sermon called "Let's Keep Christmas" by Peter Marshall.

The meeting was adjourned and gifts were exchanged by each member. Refreshments of fruit cake and punch were served to twenty-one members present by their hostesses Mrs. Dale Chitwood and Mrs. Roy Byers.

The following members were present

Mesdames James Busby, Earl Goodrum, John H. Hendrix, James Sanderson, Kenneth Parish, Jess Watson, W. T. Clayton, Bill Burrow, Tom McGill, Edwin Jones, James Packard, Bob Hamilton, Dale Chitwood, Roy Byers, Jimmy Banks, Orlon Bibby, Jerry Barden, Don Kelley, Arnold Washington, Alton McNamara, and Billy Clayton.

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
I have been good. Please bring me a doll and bicycle, also candy, nuts and fruit.

Love
Louise

Dear Santa,
I want a train and football and a gun.

Love
Alan Adkins

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some toys for Christmas. I am a good little boy.

Eddie Johnson

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some toys for Christmas. I am a good little girl.

Capilamea Glasscock

Dear Santa,
I want a train and football and a gun.

Love, Floyd Bennett

Dear Santa,
I want a doll and bed for Christmas.

Love
Lynda Lee

Dear Santa
I want a big diesel, stage coach, and cowboy town.

Ernest Graham

Christmas Meditation

What's the Christmas Spirit, Daddy? The child peered gravely over the magazine where she had found these words, confidently awaiting an answer.

"Well, girl, it's... it's a lot of things, big and small. And hard as you'll find it to believe, Santa Claus is part of the small. You see, the Christmas Spirit isn't likely to visit you when you're knee-deep in your own pleasure; you've got to be heart-deep in kindness!

"Remember how bleak and barren Main Street looked early this month? And you know how it looks now, with the wintry harshness all shut out by those evergreen arches, and strings of lights. Well, that's sorta like the way the Christmas Spirit changes people... and towns... and the world. It takes all the grey coldness out of streets, and human hearts—and brings in something fine and fragrant like evergreen; something bright and sparkling like those streamer-lights of red and green and frosty-blue. It stirs up the best part of human nature, that's usually frosty and cold, and makes you feel like a new-born child in the cold... a certain clearness and warmth that you'll never find anywhere—except at a Christmas midnight service.

"And then, girl, when you stand with the others and throw all your being into one of those great Christmas Carols, and the organ has a silver sound you never heard before, with your heart riding on its melody—then the Christmas Spirit is all around you, like a gentle snowfall. And your thoughts are soaring far, far above all the glitter and surface-shine of Christmas, up and out through the midnight strokes scurrying the stars for the Star of Bethlehem.

"It's—so much more than I can say, and what I've said is probably hard for you to understand, but—"

She smiled across at him, her eyes shining in the lamplight. "I do understand, sorta better, anyway... and if it came once was'nt that Santa Claus, isn't it Daddy?"

And the winter wind whistled outside the window, crisp as the bright glow within—for the radiance of the Christmas Spirit was with them, there in the room...

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