

Wishing You and Yours the Blessings of Christmas

**Border
Banter**
By Mike Pomper

*It's truly a
Christmas
treat*

I guess it's kind of nice that we're able to announce our new business in this special holiday Christmas greeting card issue.

The holiday season is a time to thank God for the gift of Jesus Christ to mankind. And, for my family, this is a special time to thank God for His blessings that have allowed us to prepare our new vocation.

Our printers, Betty Jean Castleberry and Barbara Franse, have been practicing for the past month on our "new" press and have learned a lot - to say the least. It's surprising how much you can learn when you start at zero.

We've done about 10 jobs so far, although we weren't officially open. They were good practice since they ranged from envelopes to fancy stationery to pads to business cards. And they showed us what terrific capabilities our press has.

So, in this holiday season, we thank our Lord, not only for helping us in our new venture, but for all the wonderful things that have happened to us during our lives.

This truly is the season to be jolly...

Here's an interesting tale from longtime Oklahoma Lane folks: In the old days of the annual Oklahoma Lane Community Gathering, along with the usual stories of Jesus' birth and singing of the carols, there almost always were some gag gifts placed under the community tree.

They included (are you ready for this?) pigs' tails (most folks had butchered hogs for winter treats), and a package of cigarettes for a lady - something unheard of in those days.

I stopped by the Muleshoe newspaper the other week and chatted with their longtime editor Clea Williams.

She also is the associate editor on a new publication called "Tomorrow's Star." It's a bi-monthly tabloid that features the "Sounds of the Future."

In their last issue were articles on the Maines Brothers Band, Judy Rodman, Billy Jo Royal, Ronna Reeves, Patricia Blair and others.

If you're interested in subscribing, send a \$12 check to Stanco Publications, Box 660, Sudan, Texas 79371.

I stopped by the Farwell fire hall last week and heard a presentation on the new fire truck they have. In a nutshell, it shoots foam, which makes it ideal for fighting certain kinds of fire but doesn't replace a fire truck.

The Farwell fireboys have the truck but the foam device should be arriving within 30 days. It will be a great help to our area fire-fighting services.

That flu bug that hit our area last week is really something. Our whole family has been having the sniffles and fever.



Crowned as the 1986-87 Texico Homecoming King and Queen Saturday were David Loera and Tracey McDonald.

Loera, McDonald named Texico High King and Queen

David Loera and Tracey McDonald were crowned the Texico 1986-87 Homecoming King and Queen.

They were crowned by the last Basketball Homecoming royalty, Cheryl Scott and Danny Powell, Saturday.

Taking prizes in the poster contest, based on the spirit of Texico High School were: High School category, FFA organization, "Out Shoot the Foxes," first place; the junior class, "It's Beginning To Look a Lot Like Christmas," Sweepstakes; sophomores, "THS Will Blow You Away," second place; and seniors, "Fry The Foxes," third place.

In junior high, the eighth graders said "Foxes Are Suckers," first place, and "Control the Foxes," third place and the sixth graders with "Fox Fright," second place.

The elementary, Mrs. Richmond's class, "Stand Up Tall Wolverines," first place; Mr. Turnbough's class, "Wolverines Going on a Fox Hunt," second place, and Mr. Aragon's class, "You're Terrific-You're The Greatest," third place.

Receiving prizes with their float entries were in high school, FFA, "Texico Fox Hunt," first place; Honor Society, "Wrap Up A Victory" (Continued on Page 2)



It's Santa

Santa Claus arrived via helicopter [courtesy of Eastern New Mexico Rural Telephone Cooperative] Dec. 18 in Texico and was immediately surrounded by a horde of youths.

The annual visit by Santa, who listened to the youngsters' wishes and distributed candy, is arranged by the Texico-Farwell Lions Club.

Benna Felts to be honored

There will be a come-and-go reception honoring Benna Felts, retiring Parmer County Treasurer, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 30.

All friends are invited to come by and visit with Benna and share refreshments.

Benna has been a county employee since 1963, when she was hired by Hugh Moseley to work in

the Tax Assessor/Collector office. In September, 1973, she was appointed to fill the vacancy in the Treasurer's office when Mrs. Mabel Reynolds resigned due to ill health. She was elected to the office in 1974.

Benna feels she will miss all of her friends, but is looking forward to retirement. She is married to Archie Tarter, former Parmer County Commissioner.

Courtroom to be dedicated

A formal dedication of the Parmer County District Courtroom is scheduled at 11 a.m. Tuesday.

The courtroom is on the second floor of the Parmer County Courthouse, 401 3rd St., Farwell. The courtroom was extensively

remodeled this year, for the first time in quite awhile.

The public is invited. "We hope everyone comes and joins us in this dedication," said District Court Judge Jack Young.

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Letter from the Philippines

Semester tuition costs \$100

(Editor's note: Loretta Gonzales, the Texico girl spending a year in school in the Philippines as part of a Rotary exchange program, will be writing letters for publication every couple of weeks.)

Dear friends in Texico and Farwell,

Christmas is almost here, and I'm going to miss all of you!

Since I last wrote you, my "home" has changed again. I am now living with my third host family. My new host family is great. They keep me busy with a variety of activities, such as swimming, bowling, and going to the movies, along with occasional sight-seeing tours.

They have three daughters, ages 17, 18, and 23, and so far I haven't had any problems getting along with them. My host father Raural Alverz, is the president of the Rotary Club and is a manufacturer of buildings in the Metro-Manila area. My host mom, Maria Ana Alverz, is the president of the Inner Wheel (for the wives of Rotary members) and is mainly a housewife.

I really became close to my second host family and I will miss them.

On Halloween night, I really missed home and Texico. I spent the night in my bedroom thinking of how I used to enjoy dressing up in my costume. As I got older, I enjoyed dressing up my younger brothers and sisters and passing out the candy to the little kids who were trick-or-treating. I guess my host family must have sensed that I was homesick, because they treated me to some ice cream at the largest ice cream parlor store.

Even though the Filipinos do not



LORETTA GONZALES

celebrate Halloween as we do, on Nov. 1 they celebrate All-Saints Day. All-Saints Day is a very big event here. The majority of the day is spent at the cemetery. The people even go as far as sleeping, eating, and playing games at the cemetery until all hours of the night. I was lucky to have spent All-Saints Day at our house!

As I wrote in my last letter, my host father's father died recently and was buried in a province quite away from Quezon. My host father found it hard to fly there for just one day, so we spent All-Saints Day at home Chinese style. First, we prayed in the afternoon, and later we spent hours rolling up 2x2 inch papers lined with silver. The more of these papers that are burned, means that the more money that the deceased person will have in the spirit world (which, in this case, was for the grandfather). Of course, there is a catch - everyone must

stop burning the papers at 5 p.m.

The Chinese believe that once you have burned the papers past five, you will become connected with a bad spirit, and the whole family will receive bad luck for years to come. We ended the celebration by having a big dinner by candle-light along with a short prayer. All-in-all, it turned out to be a very interesting day!

Since my last letter to you, I have already started my second semester of school and enrolled in another university. The University of the Philippines is one of the best universities, and I'm taking only nine credits.

French, Tagalog (the Philippine Motivational language) and Spanish II are my subjects. The tuition fee was \$100 American money for the whole second semester. That was only due to the fact that I'm a foreigner. For the Filipino, it won't cost \$50. What's even more shocking is if a student has an academic scholarship, you only have to pay \$10 for a whole semester of education at one of the best universities in the Philippines. Another thing is there is no such thing as an athletic scholarship here; it's all academics.

This is the last month of the rainy season. Usually the rainy season ends in October, but there are times when it is extended another month. It has been raining hard for three days which means we're headed for another typhoon. The weather has actually been cold for me and it's not really cold, it's just that I've become accustomed to the heat that even a slight breeze is sometimes chilly.

Love,
Loretta

Cooking, sewing classes begun

Here's the recent letter from El Rancho de Los Ninos, the children's ranch in Guatemala operated by Bo and Jeanne Bartley:

"We have a new family added to our staff. Carlos and Isabel are in charge of the boys' corral and the works on the farm. They have six children. Several projects have started with Carlos' leadership. The garden is being planted again, planting of trees, and clearing of some land for late corn. He plans for some future projects to be started. They are: new chicken houses, with chicken to be added, and possibly some rabbits.

"We have started cooking and sewing classes for the girls. Now that school is out, we have more time to spend with them and help them with their sewing and cooking. With their other jobs they are in charge of, they can stay busy.

"Bo has been checking into the price of cattle. The grass is looking good and we have enough grass to have several head of cattle. Our bees have increased and we now have 22 hives. We have a man that

comes once a week to work with the boys in this area.

"The floor to the cafeteria has been finished. We still lack the kitchen walls, windows and some other small items, but we felt that the floor being finished was a big step forward.

"The Ranch bus has a new paint job. It is white with red, blue and orange stripes. The kids really think it brightens up the place! First Baptist Church of Clovis would not recognize it!!

"The van is now out of customs. We had to go through the usual amount of paper work to get it. Everything in the van made it to the Ranch, for which we were very thankful. The van will be put to good use for us. We are already using and enjoying it.

"We now have communication from dorm to dorm by the way of battery operated telephone. The kids have their own line, which is used regularly. We had to make a rule that the phone is used only from 4-9 p.m. The adults are enjoying their phone also. It saves a lot of

running back and forth from the dorms. This system was donated to the Ranch along with everything needed to hook them up and get them working, including instructions.

"The men have returned to finish the well. Now that we have casing, we are looking forward to finishing the wells and putting them to good use. Due to the contribution of the pump, we will have a good water system.

"George and Pam Dillard are doing great! George is busy working on vehicles, going to town for supplies and repairing bikes. Pam is doing some doctoring and keeping busy with odd jobs. She does our mending too. With the 46 kids we have, there is lots of mending to do!

"We are planning smaller work projects. We need small houses for our workers and staff. We are also considering doing the basketball court. There is designated money available for this project. We have visited with several people about these projects and the possibility of them coming to help us.

Suspect arrested in Stones' homicides

A suspect has been arrested in the shooting deaths Dec. 13 of Bill and Betsy Stone, formerly of Texico.

Pecos Texas Ranger investigator Joe Coleman said that Shannon Mark Douthit, 22, of Valentine, was charged in connection with the Stones' deaths.

The bodies of 56-year-old Bill Stone and his 54-year-old wife were discovered Dec. 15 by a ranch hand

at the Chillicothe Ranch, near Marfa, where Stone has been foreman for three years. The Stones were shot in the head.

Stone was a former manager of the Texico Feed Lots. He and Betsy, a former bookkeeper at Interstate Fertilizer, left Texico about 10 years ago. Stone managed a feedyard in Morton, Texas, before going to

Marfa three years ago.

They have two children, Gary, a Texico High graduate, is in the Armed Forces. Clint attends Wayland Baptist University.

Douthit is being held on \$200,000 bond. He lived at the ranch with his parents. Ironically, his father, J.L. Douthit, was the person who found the bodies Dec. 15.

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Texico

Over The Foxes," second place, and the Seniors, "Fry The Foxes," third place.
The winners of the first, second and third places all received ribbons. The first place winners received free passes to the game.
The winners of the dress-up days were for "Sunglasses Day" in elementary, Kara Kittrell; junior high, Daniel Madrid and Stephen Cloud, and high school, Spicer Lewis.
"Beach Day" -- elementary, Brandi Steward; junior high, Pete Fuentes, and high school, Mike Williams.
"Wrong Side Out Day" -- Jennie Morris, Ricky Freeman and Duane

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Bufkin.
"Dress-Up Day" -- junior high, Kenny Shaw, Michael Madrid and Chad Barnes; high school, Paul Brown and Dena McDaniel.
"Green and White Day" -- Brandi Steward, Tiny Smith and Jimmy King.
The oldest alumni was Gracie Dane who graduated in 1933. The one who traveled the farthest was Amy Redus who traveled 1,400 miles from South Carolina. The class with the most in attendance was the 1986 class.
The evening was topped off with the arrival of Santa Claus, who handed out candy to all the children.

Hoaxes

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sports editor who thought he would have a little fun in its April 1 (April's Fools Day) issue.
So he ran a big made-up story on a domed stadium to be built in his town; that's like writing that a domed 70,000 - seat stadium would be built in Texico-Farwell. He ran a photo of the Seattle Superdome alongside, suggesting this was the blueprint for the new stadium.
Even though it was April 1 and even though it didn't make much sense to build such a stadium in a rural area, some folks believed it and inundated county officials with calls, opposing it.
In the next issue, the new sports editor (who replaced the one that was fired) apologized for the hoax.

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Second Rumor of the Week: Worley Mills' grain elevator in Farwell and Sherley-Anderson-Pitman may have something more in common soon than just both having grain elevators here.

Upcoming Sports

TUESDAY, DEC. 30
The Farwell Steers boys and girls and the boys Junior Varsity teams will play Dora at Dora at 5:30 p.m.
The Lazbuddie Longhorn's varsity boys and girls and the boys Junior Varsity team will play Springlake-Earth at Lazbuddie at 5 p.m.
THURS.-FRI., JAN. 1, 2, and 3
The Farwell Steers boys and girls varsity teams will play at the Bovina Tournament.
The Lazbuddie Longhorns boys and girls varsity teams will play at the Lazbuddie Tournament.

Obituaries

**Bill Stone
Juanita Stone**

Funeral services for Bill "Stoney Stone, 56, and wife, Juanita "Betsy" Stone, 54 of Valentine, Texas were held Dec. 18 at the Central Christian Church at Clovis with the Revs. James Pinkston and Kenneth Broad officiating.
Burial was in the Lawn Haven Memorial Gardens under the direction of Steed-Todd Funeral Home of Clovis.
The couple were found slain Dec. 15, at their home on a ranch they managed near Valentine.
Mrs. Stone attended public school in Wheatland. Mr. Stone attended school in Clovis. The couple was married in 1950 while Mr. Stone was attending New Mexico State University. They lived in or near Clovis most of their lives.
Survivors include two sons, Gary Stone, Fort Benning, Ga., and Clint Stone, Plainview, Texas; and one granddaughter, Amber, and one daughter-in-law, Kim.
Mr. Stone's other survivors include one sister, Helene Hammond, Clovis.
Mrs. Stone's other survivors include four brothers, Jesse Hodges, Owassa, Okla., Sam Hodges, Tulsa, Okla., Bill Hodges, Clovis, and Lee Hodges, Norton; three sisters, Sue McNobb, Albuquerque, Ester Ware, Grady, and Opal Pinkston, Universal City, Texas.
Pallbearers were Bobby Johnson, Martin Kube, Bud Johnson, A.D. Hutton, Mickey Simms, Rink Bounds, Danny Ware, Jimmy Hodges, Tommy Ware, Charlie Christian, Maurice Waters and Jerry Crook.

Texas State Normal School, Canyon, Texas. After graduation the family moved to Anson, Texas. In Anson, she married Henry Thomas Reynolds August 3, 1915. The couple taught school several places in Texas, including Crosby and Parmer Counties. Eventually they settled on a farm 5 1/2 miles north of ovina. After Henry retired from teaching and devoted full time to farming, Mabel continued to teach in the Rhea community. In 1951, Mabel was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Roy B. Ezell and served as County Treasurer of Parmer Co. for 22 years.
Mabel was a member of the Farwell Baptist Church and taught a Sunday School Class. She was a member of the Farwell Women's Study Club, The Parmer Co. Historical Society and participated in various community activities. After her retirement, she made her home with her daughter in San Antonio, Tex. Her husband preceded her in death.
Survivors include a son, Edward of Arlington, Tex.; a daughter, Geraldine Miller of San Antonio; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Around The Twin Cities

TUESDAY, DEC. 30
The Farwell Chamber of Commerce will meet at Luce's Restaurant at noon.

Sheriff's Report

Here is the weekly report from Parmer County Sheriff Bill Morgan.
On Dec. 16, Joseph C. Bramwell, 42, of Summerfield, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated. He appeared before Judge Roberts and on a plea of guilty was fined \$250, court cost and given 3 days in jail.
On Dec. 19, Bobby L. Faires, 34, of Friona, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated. He appeared before Judge Roberts and on a plea of guilty was fined \$250, court cost and given 30 days probated for 365 days.
On Dec. 20, Johnny L. Stokes, 27, of Friona, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated. On a guilty plea, he was fined \$250, court cost and given 30 days probated for 365 days.

On Dec. 21, Anday A. Sandoval, 18, of Friona, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of driving while intoxicated. He appeared before Judge Roberts and on a plea of guilty was fined \$250, court cost and given 3 days in jail.

Vacation time

The Farwell School's Christmas vacation will extend through Jan. 2 when they will resume at regular time. The Texico School's Christmas vacation will extend to Jan. 5 when they will resume at regular time.

Computer OK'd

The Parmer County Commissioners Monday approved a computer for the county clerk's office.

Noel May you be blessed with the Peace of the Holy Child and filled with His love.

From all of us at the

Burger Barn

We will be closed at 2 p.m. Dec. 24 and Christmas Day

712 Wheeler Texico 482-9172

Mabel Reynolds

Mabel (Dean) Reynolds, 91, was born Feb. 8, 1895 in Hunt County, Tex. An early settler of Parmer Co., she came to Farwell in 1908 at the age of 13 with her mother and an older brother and sister.
Funeral services were Saturday at Bovina's First Baptist Church with the Rev. J.L. Bass of Brownfield and the Rev. Richard Grisham of Bovina officiating.
Burial was in Bovina Cemetery under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.
She died Dec. 18 in Morningside Manor Nursing Home in San Antonio after a lengthy illness.
Mabel graduated from Farwell High School and attended West

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Parmer County

District Courtroom

11:00 a.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 30, 1986

Parmer County Courthouse

401 Third St.
Farwell, Texas

Longo scores 27

The Texico Lady Wolverines varsity girls team was defeated by Ft. Sumner, 45-42, Dec. 20 at Homecoming.

Scoring were Twilla Longo, 27 points; Angie Liggins, 2; Geneva Garcia, 2; Leslie Steward, 4; Tracey Askew, 2; Jennifer Gentry, 4 and Jennifer Williams, 1.

Leading in rebounding were Longo, Liggins, Garcia, Steward and Gentry.

Leading in assists and steals were Longo, Liggins, Pierce, Steward, Gentry and Williams.

Coach Roy King said, "Even though we lost, we learned a lot more from this game than we did against House. We have to quit throwing the ball away on offense. We are not handling the pressure on offense that some of the teams are applying."

"On defense we have to keep the ball from getting inside. We are getting our post players in foul trouble. But there were a lot of positive things that happened, too. We are getting more and more people in the game in crucial situations. This has to help us as far as experience goes."

Record is 3-4.

The girls team defeated House, 66-27, Dec. 19 at Texico.

Scoring were Longo, 18 points; Liggins, 5; Garcia, 4; Robin Pierce, 10; Steward, 4; Andria Chadwick, 4; Askew, 10; Dena McDaniel, 2; Gentry, 3; Williams, 4 and Esperanza Estrada, 2.

Leading in rebounding were Longo, Liggins, Garcia, Pierce, Askew, Gentry and Williams.

Leading in assists and steals were Steward, Gentry, Cavallero, and Williams.

Coach King said, "House's girls were real small so we were able to control the boards and get off a lot of shots. The game got out of hand in the first quarter, so we didn't get a lot out of the game, except that we were able to play a lot of players."

The Texico Wolverines boys junior varsity defeated House, 46-42, Dec. 19 at Texico.

Scoring were Larry Powell, 15 points; Ken Murphy, 10; Brett Patrick, 2; Terry Allen, 2; Kevin Spears, 6; Conrad Johnson, 1; Darrel Krivanek, 6; Preston Chancy, 2 and Lance Akers, 2.

Leading in rebounding were Powell, Murphy, Patrick, Krivanek and Chancy.

Leading in steals and assists were Powell, Allen and Krivanek.

Coach Michael Littlejohn said, "We did not play as well as I would have liked, but we played well enough to win. Powell, Murphy and Krivanek played well."

The Texico Wolverine boys junior varsity team was defeated by Ft. Sumner, 49-39, Dec. 20 at Texico during Homecoming.

Scoring were Larry Powell, 15

points; Ken Murphy, 8; Buck Autrey, 3; Terry Allen, 6; Kevin Spears, 7; Darrel Krivanek, 8 and Preston Chancy, 2.

Leading in rebounds were Powell, Murphy, Brett Patrick, Allen and Krivanek.

Leading in steals and assists were Powell and Spears.

Coach Michael Littlejohn said, "We played well for three quarters, then we fell apart against their press. We'll have to learn how to handle the pressure, better."

Record is 2-3.

The Texico Wolverine varsity boys team was defeated by House, 65-49, Dec. 19 at Texico.

Scoring were Rod Smith, 15 points; David Loera, 13; Bret Taylor, 5; Keith Harrison, 2; Brian Rogers, 7; Ken Murphy, 2; Dale Burkhammer, 4 and Darrell Rivaneck, 1.

The leading rebounders were Rod Smith, Loera, Taylor and Harrison.

Leading in steals and assists, were Smith, Loera and Taylor. Coach Borde Williams said, "House beat us on the inside. One of their players scored 19 points on us. House is a good ball club, but I would like to see us make some improvements because I have not seen that much improvement here."

The Texico Wolverines Varsity boys team was defeated by Ft. Sumner, 59-37, Dec. 20 in Texico.

Steers go 12-1

The Farwell Steers varsity boys team defeated Dora, 70-64 at Dora on Dec. 19.

Scoring were Roy Perales, 20 points; David Woods, 12 and Jody Ketcherside, 13.

Their record is 12-1.

The Farwell Junior Varsity girls won third place in the Sudan Tournament, Dec. 18, 19 and 20. They defeated Olton, 30-27 and Kress,

29-22 but were defeated in the second game by Sundown, 42-21.

Scoring in the Olton game were Leslie Monk, 4 points; Hollie Salamone, 6; Cindy Jones, 7; April Haseloff, 5; Gina Ortiz, 5 and Terri Hillock, 3.

Scoring in the Sundown game were Salamone, 1 point; Angie White, 6; Monk, 2; Camp, 2; Jones, 6; Ortiz, 2 and Kelm, 2.

Scoring in the Kress game were Salamone, 7 points; White, 4; Monk, 4; Jones, 6; Camp, 1; Haseloff, 6; Ortiz, 2; Yruegas, 2 and Stephens, 2.

Coach Rex Cumpton said, "Good tournament for these girls. We won third place in the tournament. They played real well on Thursday and Saturday. On Friday, Sundown had one big girl that we could not stop. She scored 34 points of their 42. All of the girls played well in the Saturday game. We shot free throws well. That was the difference."

The Farwell Steerettes varsity girls team was defeated by Dora 48-35 at Dora Dec. 19.

High scorers were Shonda Foster, 19 points and Ursula Dollar, 6.

Coach George Langan said, "we made a couple of good runs at this game, but they beat us at the foul line."

McCleskey

to receive degree

Dale McCleskey will receive a doctor of ministry degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary during commencement ceremonies Dec. 19.

McCleskey is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alton McCleskey of Belen, N.M.

McCleskey is married to Cheryl, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Kaltwasser of Farwell.

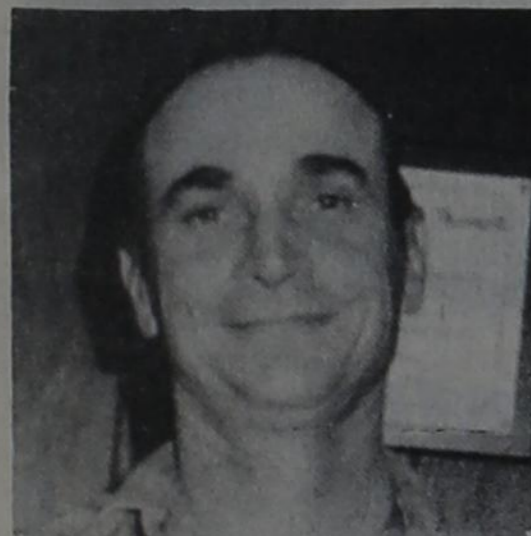
After graduation, McCleskey will serve as pastor at Bethel Baptist Church in Roswell.

Southwestern, one of six seminaries affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention, is the largest theological school in the world. Each year more than 5,000 men and women train for ministry at Southwestern.

McCleskey is a former Farwell resident and graduated from Farwell High School.



DALE McCLESKEY



Williams leaves

Tommy Williams, County Commissioner for Precinct 2, is finishing his term as commissioner. He has served Farmer County for the last four years. Williams received a special going-away gift Monday from County Clerk Bonnie Warren. The gift was a box filled with several needed items with the inscription on the box, reading, "Personnel Requirement Income Program."

Scoring were Rod Smith, 8; David Loera, 9; Bret Taylor, 2; Keith Harrison, 4; Brian Rogers, 14 and Ken Murphy, 1.

Leading in rebounds were Smith and Loera.

Leading in steals and assists were Smith, Loera, Harrison and Rogers.

Coach Borde Williams said, "This was our Homecoming and we just did not go out ready to play this game. I asked the boys for 100% effort and they didn't give it to me. We are going to have to have 100% effort out of five boys in a game, instead of just two or three in order to win."

Record is 0-6.

P.S. A desk would be nice

Dear Santa,
My name is Lari Bradshaw
Grade 5 Lazbuddie
P.S. A desk would be nice.

Dear Santa,
I would like a pair of eye glasses
not forget us on Christmas and good
luck.

Antonia Garcia
Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I want a blue telescope with a
stand and all put together. And the
next thing I want is a sound detector
so I can hear everything my sister
says about me. And the last thing I
want is the Barbie and the Rockers

The Lady Wolverines Junior Varsity girls team defeated Ft. Sumner, 54-20, Dec. 20 at Texico Homecoming.

Scoring were Andria Chadwick, 14 points; Jennifer Gentry, 8; Tracey Askew, 8; Dena McDaniel, 8; Valerie Cavallero, 4; Jennifer Williams, 6; Melissa Montano, 2; Denise Gonzales, 2; and Amy Chadwick, 2.

Leading in rebounding were Andria Chadwick, Gentry, Askew, Cavallero, Williams, Montano, Amy Chadwick, Cross and Martinez.

Leading in assists and steals were Andria Chadwick, Gentry, Cavallero and Williams.

Coach Roy King said, "Our JV

with all the dolls except Barbie and those are the three things I want from Santa.

Love,
Heather Engelking
Grade 3 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
This is what I want for Christmas.
I want a jambox, a bike, a little TV
and a V.C.R. I also want a desk,
some earphones, a pair of shoes,
and some clothes. I would like a
telephone, a bed, and a skateboard.
Please get me these things.

Love,
Erica Evans

Dear Santa,
Please bring me Mortimer Snerd
the puppet, a bicycle and Fievel
Mousekewitz.

Love,
Dawn Weir
Grade 3 Lazbuddie

girls are playing great. We are only able to play the starters two quarters, but the other eighth and ninth graders are playing well."

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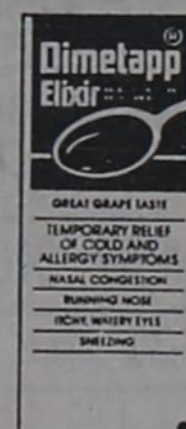
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Farwell Convalescent Center Chit Chat

BY LYNNE GANN
Activity Director

Merry Christmas!
For those who came to our Christmas party - wasn't it the best ever?

We extend our congratulations to the Ladies Auxiliary for the Beautifully planned evening. Everyone had a lovely time. I must admit the cookies and hot apple cider hit the spot.

"Santa" Quickel, you are, beyond a doubt, a very important part of our program each year. How can we say "Thank you" when it isn't enough to express how much we appreciate you!

To our Little Christmas Carolers from St. John Lutheran Pre-School - you are precious!

To you the families of our residents - you will never know how proud we are of you! The looks of love you bring to the faces of our residents each and every time you visit is a reward never to be found anywhere but here. The gift you have given most for this special time of year is the most treasured of all - yourselves!

Merry Christmas!

Merry Christmas!
from
The Residents and Staff
Of The
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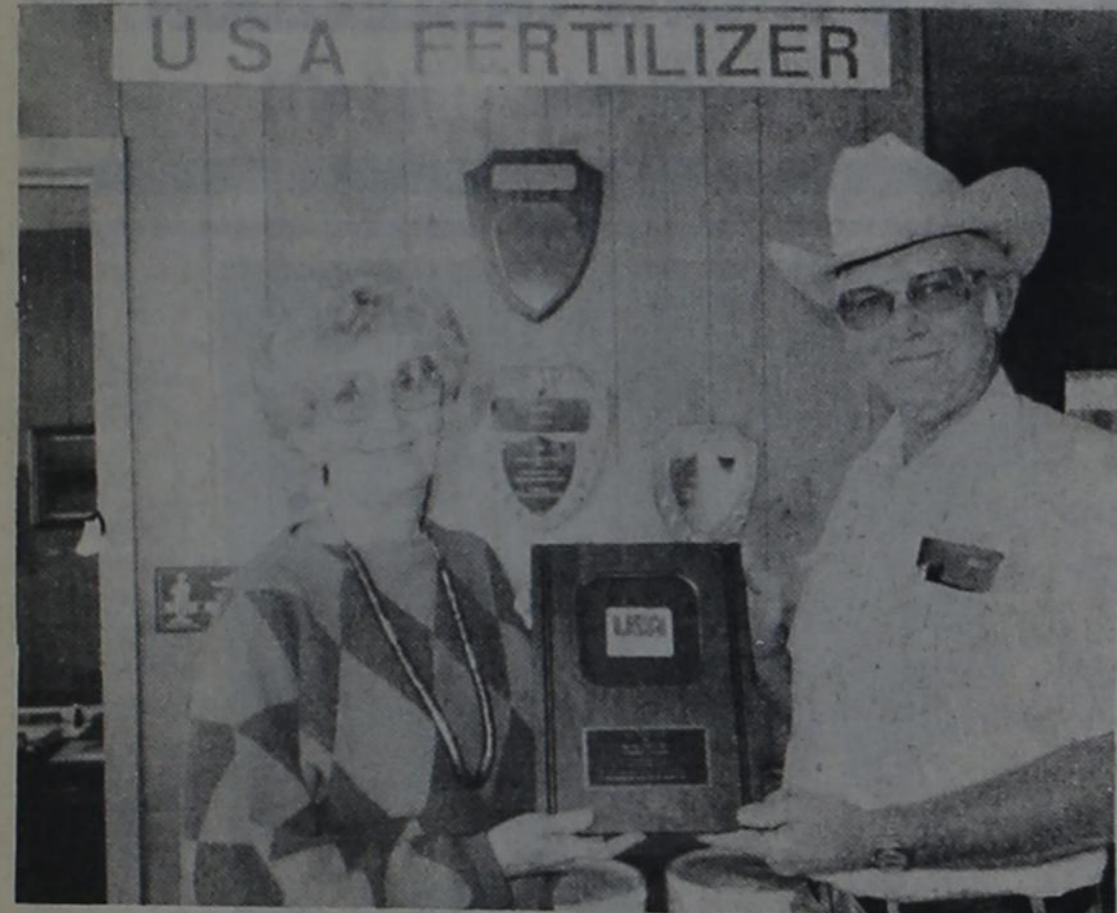


LYNN WHITLEY AND DARREN DARBY

Engagement told

Mr. and Mrs. Gaylon Whitley, at 1422 Tulip Lane, Odessa, Texas announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Lynn Whitley, to Darren Darby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Darby, at 1804 Cody Place, Odessa. The couple plan to marry Jan. 24, with Rev. Charles Crutchfield officiating at First United Methodist Church of Odessa.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Permian High School and is employed by Flower Mound Animal Hospital in Flower Mound, Texas. Her fiancé is also a graduate of Permian High School and is employed by Climate Supply, Co. in Dallas. The couple plan to reside in Carrollton, Texas after their marriage.



Doris and Arvene Eckhardt show the plaque they won at the U.S.A. Fertilizer Convention. The Eck-

hardt's were one of five from across the nation to receive the U.S.A. All-Star team award.

Eckhardt's receive award

Doris and Arvene Eckhardt, owners of Nutri-Tech in Farwell, attended the U.S.A. Fertilizer Convention at San Diego, Dec. 7-10. Awards were presented to the top manufacturers and those who contributed the most to the field research. Doris and Arvene were one of five to receive the U.S.A. All-Star team award. People from all over the United States, Canada and Denmark came and gave their reports. The Danes spoke about their plans to put in a U.S.A. Fertilizer plant in that nation. At the convention they discussed the way the fertilizer was per-

forming in different parts of the country. The Canadians gave reports on the research conducted and reported on new products. Results from the data presented showed some new insight on the fertility program, improvement of yields and quality of the crops. A banquet followed and the awards were presented. Eckhardt said that Nutri-Tech services a large area here and their products are shipped as far as 300 miles.

Let it snow, snow, snow

The Twin Cities received the beginnings of a "White Christmas" Sunday and Monday of this week. Bill Martin of Lariat said that they received about five inches of snow in that area and it was still snowing Monday. Mike Read of Aero Farm Chemicals said that they received about 6 inches of snow in the Pleasant Hill area. Shari Hill of Sherley-Anderson Grain in Lazbuddie said that they had received about 5½ inches of snow in that area. Walter Curd of Texico reported an accumulation of about 3½ inches of snow in Texico.

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Love,
Tiny Walker
Grade 2 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I want a Rocker Barbie and a new Born Heart family. Please give me some cars. Can I have a My Child doll? I have been good. I liked what you gave me last year. And I hope you have a Merry Christmas!
Love,
Mandy Magby
Grade 2 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Will you bring me a pet rabbit, a book about Christmas, a kite, a boat, and a computer?
Love,
Edward Terry
Grade 2 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa Claus,
I want some gun holsters and two guns. I want a karate suit. Will you get me that? I want a Cuddle wit.
Love,
Cory Winders
Grade 2 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa Claus,
I have my tree up. I hope you have a good Christmas and I want makeup for Christmas.
Love,
Cryst'al Collier
Grade 2 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I want a telephone, a rabbit's foot, a deak, a horse and my four front teeth. I like the things that you gave me last year. Merry Christmas! I love you.

Love,
Angie Willingham
Grade 2 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa Claus,
I like the things that you gave me. Thank you for the Case Tractor. Thank you for the firemen.
Love,
Tyler Rice
Grade 2 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa Claus,
I believe in you. Please give me a Care Bear. Can I have a computer?
Love,
Sulema Moran
Grade 2 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and a map and a new football and a new game. How have you been? I hope fine.
Love,
Omar Soto
Grade 2 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a new bike for Christmas and a new horse. I want new clothes and I want to ride horses with Krista. I like horses a lot and I want a computer.
Love,
Sarah Street
Grade 2 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I want magnetic marbles, a bank that has a lock on it. I also want Junior Trivia and Moustrap. I need "Nike" socks and Wrangler jeans that don't go over my sneakers. I want some colorful sweaters and a feed bucket with Jr.'s and my name on it. I'm asking with a "pretty please."
Sincerely,
Jarah Redwine
Grade 5 - Lazbuddie
P.S. I also want a new basketball

(women's size)

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a keyboard. I also want some stamps and coins. Please send me some clothes. I want a beanbag and sleeping bag.
Your friend,
Gina Jarman
Grade 5 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
This is what I want for Christmas. I want a chemistry set, a mini basketball, a Cabbage Patch baby, and a telescope. Merry Christmas!
Sincerely,
Jessica Burch
Grade 5 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa Claus,
I want some walkie talkies for Christmas.
Tray McBroom
Grade 5 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
How are you, I hope you are all

right. Will you come on Christmas, everyone wants you to.
Love,
Chad Weaver
Dear Santa Claus,
What I want for Christmas is a basketball, ring and a whole lot more.
Rudy Bonilla
Grade 5 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I don't want much so I'll just list them. I want a chemistry set, a microscope, no chocolate, newborn Cabbage Patch kid.
Sincerely,
Dawnda Magby
Grade 5 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
On Christmas I want: Cornet, BB gun, bike, and a football and a camera.
Love,
Jonas
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Above is part of the crowd at the Farwell Convalescent Center Christmas party. Below, the entertainment included the St. John's Lutheran Pre-School Class - top

from left, Shiloh Roberts, Chelsi Kaltwasser, LaShawna Brooks and LaMicah Drager; below from left, Brandi Ramm, Drew Ramm, Shane Roberts and Clint Patterson.



It's a Boy

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Martin of Hearne, Texas are the parents of a son, born Nov. 6 at 5:08 a.m. The baby has been named Bryce Scott. He weighed 8 pounds and 6 ounces and was 21 inches long. Bryce was welcomed home by his sisters, Brandy, 8 and Brittany, 22 months old. Maternal grandparents are Mr.

and Mrs. Max Crim of Lazbuddie. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Martin of Muleshoe. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Gladys Ritchey of Amarillo. Mrs. Prudence Martin of Grafford and Mr. and Mrs. B.H. Black of Muleshoe.

It's a Girl

April and Greg King of Amarillo announce the birth of their first child, a girl born Dec. 17 at 2:54 p.m. at the North West Texas Hospital in Amarillo. The baby has been named Kylie D'Lynn. She weighed 7 pounds and 4 ounces and was 19 3/4 inches long.

Maternal grandmother is Joyce Coffman of Farwell. Paternal grandmother is Lanora King of Las Cruces, N.M. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roy King of Guymon, Okla. and Armor Coffman of Friona.

Recipe of Week

GINGER COOKIES

- 3/4 cup margarine
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- 1/4 cup molasses
- 2 cups flour
- 2 tsp. baking soda
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 tsp. ginger
- 1 tsp. sugar

Cream the margarine and cup of sugar. Beat in the egg and molasses. Sift the flour with soda and spices, and mix with the wet ingredients. Chill the dough. Shape into balls about 1 inch in diameter, roll in sugar and place 3 inches apart on an oiled baking sheet. Bake at 350° for 15 minutes. Yield - 24 2-inch cookies.



GARY GREEN AND CHERYL WILLIAMSON

Marriage approaches

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Green of Farwell and Mrs. Carl H. Clark of Smyer announce the engagement and approaching marriage of Gary D. Green and Cheryl E. Williamson. Wedding vows will be exchanged Feb. 14 at the First United Methodist Church in Littlefield.

Center residents have party

The annual Christmas party at the Farwell Convalescent Center was hosted by the Auxiliary Dec. 18. Martha Curtis was emcee. Gladys Kaltwasser told a Christmas story and Rev. Pat Riley gave the prayer. Songs were sung by the St. John Lutheran pre-school class, with adult helpers Carla Kaltwasser, Gaye Roberts, Myrna Lingnau and Mary Helen Gohlke. Dora Verner played the piano while several Christmas songs were sung. Then Santa Claus appeared and gave out gifts. Refreshments were then served.

Lazbuddie to offer honor classes

Lazbuddie School has gained state and local approvals to implement an honors program beginning during the current semester. Honors courses will be offered in English II, III, and IV, Algebra I and II, Geometry, Trigonometry and Elementary Analysis, World History, and Physics I. Students must apply for the program and have parent approval. Final placement in the honors program will be determined by the placement committee consisting of the honors teacher, the counselor, and the principal. In order to graduate as a state-recognized honor graduate, participants must have completed at least five honors courses. The Lazbuddie band held its annual Christmas concert Dec. 18. Special Christmas selections were performed by fourth and fifth graders and by the junior high and high school bands. Refreshments were provided by the band booster club. Wendy Jarman, a 1986 graduate, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Paul Jarman, has made the women's basketball team at Eastern New Mexico University. On Dec. 7, Scotty Mitchell traveled to Houston to compete for a position as a team member for the "Jeopardy" team tournament. "Jeopardy" is a nationally syndicated game show. There were 3500 students from across the nation in the competition. Of the 3500, only 15 were to be selected. Although Scotty was not selected as a team member, he said that he enjoyed the experience.

On Dec. 17, Lazbuddie elementary students performed plays for the student body, parents, and guests. Kindergarten, first, and second grades performed "Christmas in Toyland," and the Gifted and Talented class enacted "Happy Christmas to All."

Marriage Licenses

There were five marriage licenses issued by the Parmer County Clerk's Office last week. Marriage licenses were issued to George Luis Guillen and Trinidad Guillen; Ruben Rodriguez and Maria Rodriguez; Keith Castillo and Leesa Ann McKinney; Joe C. Brito and Celina A. Chavez and Duane Edwin Shelton and Carla Leigh Cox.



To wish you all the Joys of Christmas

Dear Friends, we have contributed the money usually spent by our family for Christmas cards to be used by Farwell Elementary.

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| William and Lorine Dannheim | Kenneth and Nettie Johnson | Bob, Marianne, Tonya and David Price | Jet, Gay, Becky and April Wilmeth |
| Jerry, Flo and Todd Davis | Joe and Irene Jones | Maudie Primrose | The Mike Woods Family |
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Your friend,
Chad Nickels
Grade 5 Lazbuddie

goes Poppie. And a Get in Shape Girl.
Love,
Laura Nunez

Dear Santa,
My name is Brett Thomas. I am 10 years old. For Christmas I would like two "Coleco Vision" tapes. I guess that is all I want this year. P.S. Merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Brett Thomas
Grade 5 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I am seven years old and I am in first grade at Texico. I want a skate board and a big car to ride in. I'll leave some cookies.
Love,
Pecos Chumley

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a transformer with a little black gun. Well how have you been? Well as for me fine if I get a transformer with a little black gun. I hope I get what I want. I have a friend that wants one too. Thank you.
Your friend,
Jina Saenz
Grade 5 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I am six years old and I am in the first grade at Texico. I've been good. I want a big car.
Love,
Oliver Cardenas

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a baseball bat and a baseball and some shoes and a basketball.
Christopher Cozby
Grade 5 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I am six years old and I am in the first grade at Texico. I've been good. I want a doll with a bottle and a bike.
Love,
Yadira Hernandez

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a BB gun, some transformers, and that is all. Sincerely,
Chad Evans

Dear Santa,
I am six years old and I am in the first grade at Texico. I've been good. I want a remote control cop car and light a live.
Love,
Brandon Aurtrey

Dear Santa,
I am eight years old and I am in the first grade at Texico. I've been good. I want a football suit and a skateboard. I love you Santa.
Love,
Jesse Ortiz

Dear Santa,
I am six years old and I am in the first grade at Texico. I've been good. I want a Get in Shape Girl and a bike.
I love you,
Jody Carey

Dear Santa,
I am seven years old and I am in the first at Texico. I've been good. I want a Barbie and a Barbe Shower.
Love,
Norma Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I am six years old. I go to Texico. I've been good. I go to first grade. I want a Magic Move Barbie and a Barbie Shower. I love you.
Love,
Sannon Null

Dear Santa,
I am six years old and I am in the first grade at Texico. I've been good. I want a Barbie and the Rockers. And pop goes the Poppie.
Love,
Tiffany Lindley

Dear Santa,
I am six years old, and I am in first grade at Texico. I been good. I want a football suit.
Love,
Caleb Cloud

Dear Santa,
I want black shoes. I am six years old. I want a Pound Puppies Baby and I am in the first grade at Texico. I've been good. I love you.
Love,
Monica Cantu

Dear Santa,
I am seven years old and I am in the first grade at Texico. I've been good. I want a Barbie that glows and a pink bike with a basket.
Love,
Jeannie Pierce

Dear Santa,
I am six years old and I am in the first grade at Texico. I've been good. I want a pound puppy and newborn pound puppy in a cage.
Love,
Leaunita Nabours

Dear Santa,
This is what I want for Christmas. But first I want to ask you some questions. How are you and Mrs. Claus? How are your elves? Okay this is what I want for Christmas. A cornsilk kid and a Type-write. I also want Cabbage Patch twins and Speak and Music. Thanks alot.
Sincerely,
Julie McDonald
Grade 3 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I am six years old and I am in the first grade at Texico. I've been good. I want a baby pound puppies and a momma pound puppy.
Love,
Kara Kittrell
I Love you Santa.

Dear Santa,
I would like a toy jet and a real puppy. I would also like a tool box a radio, and a basketball. In my stocking I want a gun.
Love,
Cody Fitzwater
Grade 3 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I am six years old and I am in the first grade at Texico. I've been good. I want a Pound Puppy, clothes.
Love,
Karen Neie

Dear Santa,
This is what I want for Christmas. I would like a jambox, a Jem Barbie, and a keyboard. I would also like a real baby and a doll bed.
Love,
Kayla Dawn Clark
Grade 3 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I am seven years old and I am in the first grade at Texico. I've been good. I want a bike and a racing car. I love you, Santa.
Love,
Garry Jenkins

Dear Santa,
How are you, I'm about to tell you what I want for Christmas. I would like a My Buddy. I would like a 250 Four-wheeler. I want a gun. I want an Entertag.
Love,
David Seaton
Grade 3 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I am seven years old and I am in the first grade at Texico. I've been good. I want a F-16 plane with missiles and bombs.
I love you Santa,
Neal Hall

Dear Santa,
I want a race track for Christmas. I would like a radio, and a football for me and my brother. I would also like a radio control airplane a new watch, and a arrowhead. Thats all. I want for Christmas.
Love,
Roel Moran

Dear Santa,
I am seven years old and I am in the first grade at Texico. I've been good. I want a bike and a radio with a TV on it.
Love,
Mel Askew

Dear Santa,
I want a dog and a trainset for Christmas.
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Adolfo Mata
Grade 3 Lazbuddie

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I want a black cowboy hat for Christmas

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie doll and a doll. My mom wants a pet cat. I will name it Pete if it is a boy. Santa I want a dress and shoes.
Love,
Barbara Mae

have one reindeer or do you have more? Or do you have ten?
I love you,
oralia Garza

Dear Santa,
I want a voltron for Christmas. Can you get me one. If you can I'll buy you a present. If you can't I will not buy you a present. But do you have enough toys.
Love,
Bryon Lee Morris

Dear Santa,
I wish I had some reindeers. One thing I like school, and at my house you are nice. But I am good and bad. And how are you doing. I like you and your elves they are nice and you are nice too. I like Christmas too and so do you. I can play a good Christmas game. OK now you got it right you won.
Love,
Christy Ortiz

Dear Santa,
I want a ring for Christmas and a pair of pants and a shirt and shoes and socks and a bracelet and earrings and a Talking doll and a pop-goes-the-weasle and a Barbie.
Love,
Jeanette Sena

Dear Santa,
I've been good and I want a little baby lamb and a big horse. I am in first grade in Texico.
Love,
Cimeri

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! May I please have ball, bat, glove. I'm in first grade.
I love you,
Ronnie

Dear Santa,
How have you been since last year? I was hoping you would come this year, but I thought you wouldn't come, but I was going to tell you I would like a baby sister with bluish eyes and a Jambox with a cassette in it. I would like it to be Windy Houston in it and I would like some new shoes and clothes and that will be all, because I don't want you to work hard, because you still see other children to, not only me so I will see you next year.
Love,
Sue Ovalle
Farwell fourth grade

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas!
May I please have glue, sissors, pencils or crayons.
I'm in first grade.
Love,
Alesha

Dear Santa,
I have been good at school. I want some voltrons for Christmas. I want some robots for Christmas. I want some elves for Christmas. I want a football for Christmas. I want a go-cart for Christmas. I want a baseball and bat for Christmas.
Love,
Juan Moldonado

Dear Santa,
I want a toy robot. Aand a football. I have been very good. I hope your elves have been good. And thats not all I want for Christmas. I hope you are good.
Love,
Brian Romans

Dear Santa,
I want a talking doll and I like school. You are nice like my Mom and Dad. I know you are but my mom has baked a pie for you and cookies for you. But I have for you a cake. My dad and I made it but you can come and see us and I like you.
Love,
Michelle Ortiz

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie and pop-goes-the-weasles for Christmas. Santa do you

Grade 2 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I want a GI Joe. I want a Transformer. I want an apple. I want a dog. I want a toy. I want a comb.
Your friend,
Juan Salazar

Dear Santa,

Thank you for giving me a Pound Puppy. I am going to make cookies for you. I want a bear. I want a game. I have been good. Will you give me a bear?
•Love,
Chris Goodnough
dear Santa,

I want a model airplane for Christmas and a voltron for Christmas. Santa how are your reindeers doing this year? Santa I'm going to be in a play called Santas Doll Race. It's about two elves that learn to work together. Merry Christmas!
Love,
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1906 Farwell home remodeled by the Fly family



Joey stands in front of her newly remodeled home.

BY JENINE FOSTER

The Fly's, Gary and Joey and their family have remodeled one of the oldest houses in Farwell, dating back to 1906.

The Fly's have lived at 510 3rd Street for about 9 months, but they have lived in Farwell for about nine years.

When they were first married, Joey said that they lived on a ranch in the Melrose area. After that, they moved to Belen and then to Clovis. Joey says that they did a lot of moving in those first years with Gary working for the railroad. But they decided they wanted their family to live in a small town so that their children could attend a school like Joey had in Melrose. This is when they decided to settle in Farwell.

The Fly's have three children, Robbi, a junior at Farwell High, Kirk, an eighth grader, and Jody, a second grader.

When one first walks up to the Fly's home, you can't help but notice the front porch with its wood railings with their decorative Gingerbread designs; and the gable with its added window and decorative shingles, which lend their own beauty to this octogenarian home. The house itself was at one time pink stucco, but now has wood siding that is kind of a yellow-gold color with green trim.

As I entered the Fly's home, I noticed the beautiful front door with its antique beveled glass. Entering the entry hall, Joey started us off on a tour of her home. Upon entering you first notice the antique Hall tree decorated with antique items, such as a Fox fur wrap. Joey told about the stenciled patterns on the floor, which she designed herself.

Upon entering the living area, one of the first things you notice is the antique breakfast. It is decorated with antique trains, which Joey said were given to Gary by her mother as gifts for the last three Christmases. Antique ducks also decorate the living room and several other rooms in the house. Joey said that she had collected many of these ducks.

The beautiful antique sofa, chair and ottoman, said Joey, "are about 75 years old and have been completely re-upholstered right down to

the original company label."

Antique lamps and oil lamps decorate the living room and many of the other parts of the house. Antique paintings are also found here and elsewhere. When you look high on the front wall of the livingroom, you notice a stained glass window, which looks out on the front of the home. One of the most unique items in this room is the large weather vane that stands by the breakfast. A decorative ceiling fan completes the living room's decor.

As we stepped out of the living area, we noticed the beautiful staircase that leads to the attic room, which Kirk and Jody share. Joey said that she used the old woods from the staircase to make a wooden bear.

The boys' room is a typical boys' room, but has an added flair with its antique school desk and a wooden rocking horse.

The boys' twin beds flank on either side of the attic window that looks out over the front of the house. As you step down, you notice the antique trunk with a replica of an antique doll that leans against it sitting under the staircase.

After we walked past the staircase, we entered the kitchen. The Fly's and Leslie Curtis worked together to remodel it. They had their dining table built and Joey said that she found the unique antique chairs, which complemented the table. Curtis did the cabinet work and Joey did most of the finish work. The kitchen was also decorated with several antique items.

Just off the kitchen, we walked into the utility room. Several antique items decorated the room adding to its personality. Along with a modern washer and dryer, there is an antique ironing board and an antique solid metal iron. Standing on the north wall is what Joey says was probably once an old school bookcase with glass framed doors. One of the most unusual items in this room is the large metal basket which Joey surmises was once an old market vegetable or fruit basket.

Going back through the house to the south bedroom, we entered a short hall which has the only 12 foot ceiling that is left in the house. Joey said that all the ceilings except this one had been lowered to nine, eight

or seven feet in some areas.

Entering the south bedroom, you can see some of the Fly's own taste in furnishings. As in the other rooms there are some antique items that decorate the room, but one of the most unique is the large metal grasshopper that was given to Joey.

Just off this bedroom is a bathroom with its large antique bathtub, which stands on metal legs. Again there is an antique decor with an old medicine cabinet and sink. Joey says that she has another antique sink with a porcelain stand that she would like to add to this room.

Walking back through the living area, we entered the north room just off of the living area. Joey thought this room was probably an old porch.

Joey said this room gave them a pleasant surprise when they removed the sheet rock from the walls. Under it were walls made up of train siding or what some call "ship lap." The Fly's have painted these walls, but are still trying to decide what they want this room to be. Joey said that the antique light fixture in this room came from the old ranch where her father grew up near St. Vrain, N.M.

Just off this room to the west is what Joey says will probably be another bedroom. There is another bathroom adjoining this room. In this bathroom there is a short bathtub, which Joey thought was called a "maids bath." This room is also decorated in an antique style.

Walking back to the east, we entered Robbi's room. The room reflects Robbi's taste with a bit less of an antique look. The room is decorated with white furnishings. One of the most noticeable objects is a mirror that is shaped similar to a church window.

Joey said most of the antique items in the house were acquired from antique and junk shops in Amarillo and Lubbock. She said that a couple of items came from her mother, Maurine Horner's "Country Gifts" shop in Clovis.

According to some of the documents Joey had, A.W. Skardon owned the home in 1951, Bill Prince in 1959 and that it was purchased by Bill and Rita Dollar in 1965. The Dollars lived there approximately 18 years.

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Joey stands on the staircase that they rebuilt which leads to the attic.



The home before the Flys remodeled it.



Poised by the beautiful breakfast in the living area is Joey Fly.

I want Mrs. Santa to make me some clothes

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a little truck and a little car with batteries.
Rigo Luevas
Grade 2 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I would like a pop goes the popple. I want Mrs. Santa to make me some clothes, too, please. I would play with a Barbie house if you brought me one. I still want a Cabbage Patch doll, with a bottle. I asked you last year at the Okla. Lane Community Center if Rudolf was big or little and I forget which one you said. I hope to see Rudolf this year. I have a baby brother now and he might

like some little baby boys. I will keep trying to be good.
Love,
Sarah

Dear Santa Claus,
I love you. Bring me a fire truck and tools and a bumblebee. That's enough. I have been good, part of the time. Will you still give me toys? Santa Claus, what have you been working on?

Love,
Kyle Riley

Dear Santa,
Has Rudolph been in the sleigh? Is

Mrs. Claus knitting? I have been a good boy this year. I would like a Karate kid and mask black car. I would like a remote control car without a cord and a computer.
Love,
Jayme Ford
Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? How is Rudolph? I have been busy mowing the lawn and cleaning the house and washing the dishes. I want a battleship game. My baby sitter wants a kermit the frog telephone.
Love,
Michelle leming

Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? I know you have been busy this year making toys for all the children. I want a mask and model jet. My brother wants Light Alive. How is Dancer? Is he sick? How is Mrs. Claus?
Love,
T.J.
Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa,
How is everyone? Do you have a new reindeer? I want a My Child. My cousin wants a skateboard. I want a purple doll. I will leave you milk and cookies. My sister wants a blue doll. What do you want? Have a Merry Christmas.
Love,
Kristi Neie
Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? I want a pound puppy watch and a pound puppy. I like school. My brother wants a motorcycle. My dad wants a tiger. My mom wants a kitten. We made angels in school.
Love,
Laura McIntosh
Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? How are you? May I have a motor for Christmas? Would you bring me a rabbit? Have a happy Christmas!
Love,
Larry Pierce
Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Claus? Is your sled red? I want a doll taht is called a Real Baby. I want a stroller that turns into a carseat and a carrier. I would like a telephone. I want a typewriter and a box of candy too. My mom wants a radio with two tape things. My dad needs a new watch.
Love,
Michelle Ruther
Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer? How is Rudolph? I have been good. Julie wants a play stove. I want a make-up kit and real make-up and a radio.
Love,
Karie Ann
Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! May I please have supermobile.
I love you. I am in first grade.
Love,
Jason

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! May, I please have back pack, glue, crayons. I'm in first grade.
I love,
Shirlene

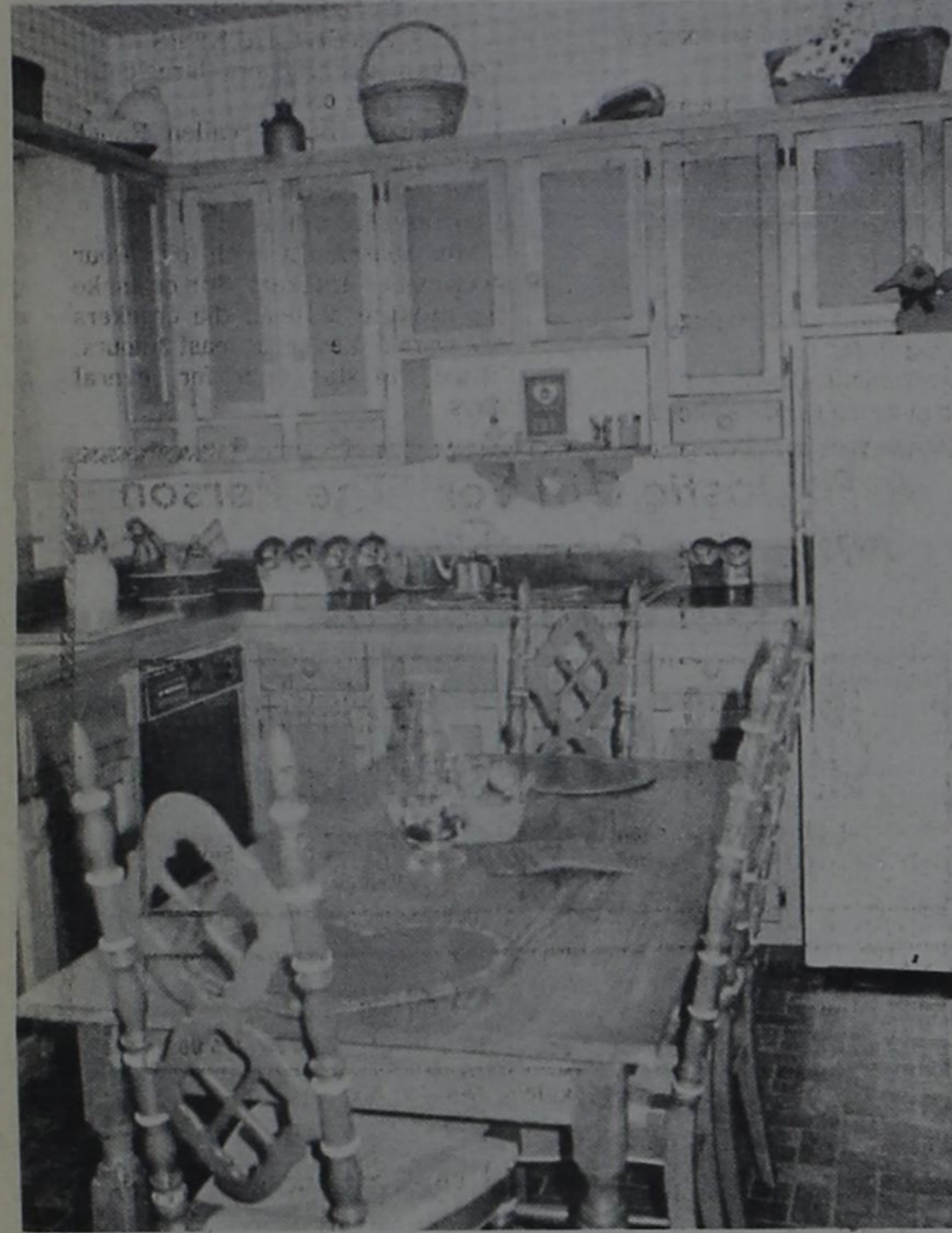
Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! May I please have Cabbage Patch, Stufte a Punky.
I love you,
I'm in first grade.
Amanda

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! Love Heather. May I please have a Cabbage Patch - Chrissie. X Care Bear. I love you
Love,
Heather

Dear Santa,
I love you Santa. I want a bike and toys. I love you Santa. Please bring some things for JoJo.
Love,
Geroge

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas!
May I please have BB gun and Teddy Ruxbin. Big foot. I love you.

Turbo Train. I'm in first grade.
Love,
Drew Lee Lane
Grade 3 Lazbuddie
Dear Santa,
I love you. I want a bike. I've been good. I want a machine gun. I like your rain deers.
Love,
Joel
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Pound Puppy, and a bicycle, and some books, and a Wheel of Fortune Game. I will leave you an apple by my Christmas tree.
Love,
Katy Jones
Grade 3 Lazbuddie



The kitchen after remodeling.



The kitchen before remodeling.

Original shingles were there

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Mike and Judy Pomper and their family lived in this house for a short while before it was purchased by the Fly's.

"This is the third house on this street we have owned and remodeled," said Joey. "And there might be one more I would like to live in and remodel if I could."

Joey said that if they stay in this home, they would like to add a railing to the porch and replace some of the gingerbread. They would also like to add some old tin ceilings and do more stenciling on the walls. They would also like to replace the ceiling on the porch and add a porch swing, preferably with the gingerbread design.

Joey said that she and her family worked hard to refurbish their home, but that after the work came the fun times.

One pleasant surprise came when the Fly's decided that they wanted to add decorative shingles to the gable. When the stucco was removed, they found the original shingles still there!

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2 T. prepared mustard
1 tsp. soy sauce
Preheat oven to 375°. In an ungreased 9" square baking pan, place chicken pieces skin-side up. Brush with melted butter, sprinkle with salt and pepper. Bake at 375° for 30 min.

Prepare Glaze and pour over chicken. Return to oven and continue baking 10 to 40 minutes; thighs - 20 to 30 min.; drumsticks 20 to 30 minutes; wings 10 to 20 minutes. Baste occasionally, 'til deep golden brown and tender.

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From Texico

1 - 14 oz. can sweetened condensed milk
1 lb. powdered sugar
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1 tablespoon vegetable salad oil
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WHITE CHOCOLATE CAKE
Texico

1/4 lb. white chocolate, (almond bark)
1/2 cup hot water
1 cup butter
2 cups sugar
4 eggs, separated
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 1/2 cups sifted flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 cup buttermilk
1 cup chopped pecans
1 cup coconut
Melt chocolate in hot water, cool, cream butter and sugar until fluffy.

Mix in egg yolks, one at a time, beat well. Add melted chocolate and vanilla. Combine flour and soda add alternately with buttermilk to mixture. Do not over cream. Beat egg whites, fold into mixture stir in pecans and coconut. Bake in 3 greased and floured 8 inch cake pans. Bake at 350° for 25 to 30 minutes. Cool in pans. Ice with your choice of icing.

By Lorena Venable
BOILED COOKIES

1 stick oleo
2 c. sugar
1/2 c. peanut butter
1/2 c. sweet milk
4 leveled Tbs. cocoa
After it starts to boil, boil together 2 minutes. Stir constantly.
Add 1 tsp. vanilla. Measure 3 cups of 2 minute oats and pour into hot mixture and mix real well. Drop on greased cookie sheet or waxed paper. They do not have to be baked.

By Marie Rogers
CHEESE BALL

1 cube margarine
1-8 Oz. pkg. cream cheese
1/4 tsp. garlic salt
1/4 tsp. onion powder
Worchestershire Sauce to taste
Cream all together. Form into ball. Roll in Chopped nuts.

PECAN TARTS

1 c. raisins dark
1 c. pecan halves
1 c. sugar
4 eggs
4 Tbs. margarine melted
1/4 tsp. salt
1 tsp. vanilla
1/4 c. dark syrup
Beat eggs, add sugar, margarine, syrup, vanilla, salt. Beat well. Add raisins, pecans.
Mix two pie crusts. Roll out on large floured surface. Cut into 12 tart shells. Put in muffin tins and fill each shell 1/2 full. Bake 10 to 12 minutes at 350°.

PUMPKIN-FLUFF DESSERT

1 c. graham cracker crumbs
1/4 c. margarine
2 Tbs. sugar
1/4 c. finely shopped nuts
Mix all together. Press into 9x13 pan. Bake at 350° for 10 minutes. Let cool.
2 envelopes Knox Gelatin

1/2 cup cold water - Mix and stir until dissolved. In small sauce pan over low heat add 1 cup milk. Let cool.

Combine 1-16 oz. pumpkin, 17 oz. jar marshmallow cream, 1/2 tsp. salt, 1 1/2 tsp. pumpkin pie spice.
Mix all with mixer let set in refrigerator 20 minutes. Remove and add 1 bowl cool whip. Mix well again and pour in crust. Chill 2 or 3 hours. Top with Whipped cream and cut into squares.

CREAMY COCONUT CAKE
Texico

1 box yellow cake mix
2 eggs, beaten
1/2 cup cooking oil
1 1/2 cups water
1 1/2 cups coconut
3/4 can cream of coconut
Mix together cake mix, eggs, oil and water and coconut. Pour batter into 9x13 inch greased and floured pan. Bake in 350° oven 30 minutes or until cake springs back when lightly touched. Take out, punch holes in top of cake while in the pan. Pour cream of coconut over cake and let cool.
Icing: 1 - 8 oz. carton whipped topping. 1 1/2 cups coconut. Stir together spread on cake. Refrigerate.

By Evalyn Mitchell
CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES

Glad Christmas Tidings



Otis McMillan Renee Barlett Gary White
Weldon Embrey Priscilla Herington Lynne Mahaney

Cream together:
2 cups oleo
2 cups sugar
2 cups brown sugar
Add:
4 eggs
2 tsp. vanilla
Mix together:
4 cups flour
5 cups grated oatmeal
1 tsp. salt
2 tsp. baking powder
2 tsp. soda
Mix altogether in very large bowl.
Add:
24 oz. chocolate chips
1 - 8 oz. Hershey bar - grated
3 cups nuts chopped
Spoon or roll out approximately golf ball size. Bake on ungreased cookie sheet at 375° for 6 to 8 minutes.
Measure out 5 cups oatmeal before grating. To grate oatmeal run through food processor or blender to make fine. Also hershey bar should be grated.

BUTTER SAUCE

1 cup sugar
1 Tablespoon flour
1 small can Carnation milk
1 stick oleo
3 egg yolks
vanilla
Mix all together and cook over low heat stirring at all times for 2 minutes after starts to boil. Good on

anything.

By Shirley Radford
BUTTER COOKIES

1 cup soft butter
1 cup sugar
1 egg
3 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
Vanilla or lemon abstract
Mix all together and spoon on to ungreased cookie sheet. Bake 350°. Roll 1/2 inch and cut is preferred.
Icing
1/4 cup butter
3/4 cup powdered sugar
1 egg yolk
Mix and spread on cookies.

By Linda Mitchell
Earth, Texas
GREEN PEPPER STEAK

1 lb. beef chuck roast
1/4 c. soy sauce
1 clove garlic
1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
1/4 cup salad oil
1 cup onions sliced
1 cup green peppers sliced

2 stalks celery
1 cup water
Corn Starch to thicken
2 tomato wedges
Cut meat 1/8" slices. Add soy sauce, garlic, and ginger. Add beef toss and set aside while preparing vegetables - Heat oil, add beef and toss over high heat. Cook 30 to 40 minutes over low heat. Turn heat up. Add vegetables except tomato. Cook until tender. Mix cornstarch with water - all to pan. Stir and cook until thickened - add tomatoes and cook through. Serve with rice.

By Deborah Autrey
OYSTER CRACKERS

2 sacks oyster crackers (large ones)
1 cup Mazola oil
1 envelope Hidden Vallen Ranch dressing
1 tsp. garlic powder
1 tsp. crushed dill weed
Mix seasonings with oil. Pour over oyster crackers. Stir or shake the mixture until all the crackers are coated. Let set at least 3 hours. These will stay crisy for several days.

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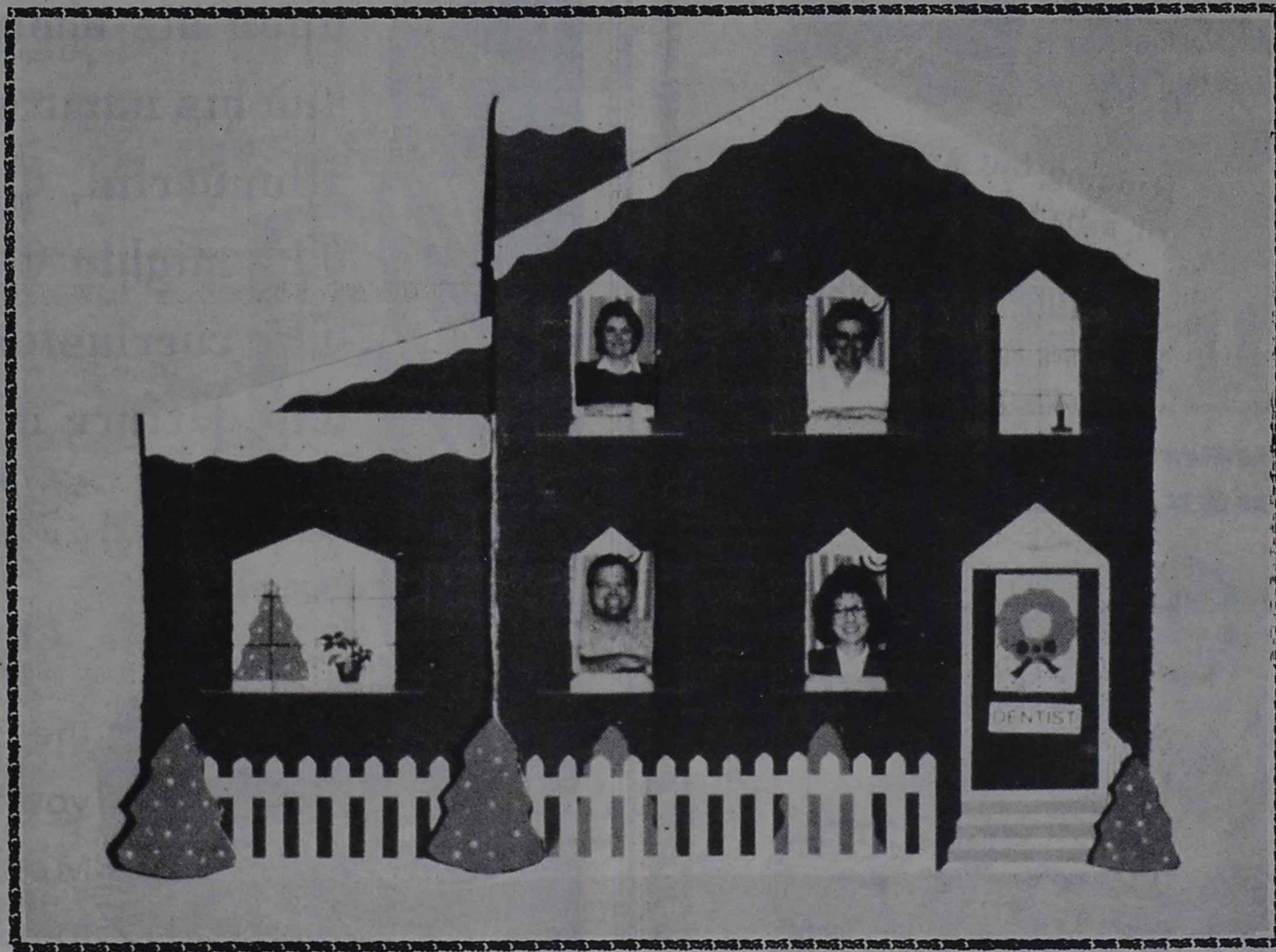
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Santa, I wish I could go see my grandma

Dear Santa,
Thank you for all the presents you brought us last year. Could you bring me three go-bots a big foot and a he-man castle. Please bring Grandma and Grandpa a TV please bring Priscilla a Barbie house. I have been really good.
Love,
Efrain Mendoza

Dear Santa,
Can I have a racetrack? I like the one with crash cars, and a remote controlled Big Foot with out a cord. I have been a good boy.
Love,
Preston Ketcherside

Dear Santa Claus,
I want two Cabbage Patch Kids, please. I would like a keyboard too. I would like a lot of clothes. And a pair of ropers too.
Love,
Brandi Norvell

Dear Santa,
How have you been. I have been a good girl. I would please like a puppy and a radio. My brother named Michael will like He-man castle and snake castle and slime pet. He's been a good boy too. My mom will like some new shoes. My dad will like a shotgun. They have been good too.
Love,
Maria Lucio

Dear Santa Claus,
I want three Go Bot's plus the one that turns in to a trailer.
Your friend,
Efrain

Dear Santa,
I want a control race car.
Love,
Edgar Marquez

Dear Santa,
I love you! I want some new clothes, Teddy Ruxpin, and new baby doll.
Love,
Lindsey

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll named Cricket and a My Child. And I wish for a new house.
Love,
Letitia Marlow

Dear Santa Claus,
Do you know what I wish for Christmas? I wish I had new rims for my bike. I wish you a Merry Christmas.
Love,
Kasey McIntosh

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Forty-four and a computer. Have a happy Christmas. I wish I could go to Washington and how are your elves doing?
Love,
Cesar Sarinano

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a 20 two. Have a happy Christmas. I wish that no one would ever die.
Love,
Scott Meeks

Dear Santa Claus,
I wish that all of us could have fun on Christmas. I want a Baby Talk and a radio.
Love,
Erica Garcia

Dear Santa Claus,
I want for Christmas a play doll and a play dog. I wish I could go see the Bears.
Love,
Lillian Alcalá

Dear Santa Claus,
I really want that Nintendo for Christmas. And I wish for everybody to have a Merry Christmas.
Love,
Logan Nichols

Dear Santa Claus,
I really want a coat for Christmas Santa, and best of all is a radio. I wish I could stay at school because I like it.
Love,
Adrian Gonzales

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a train set and a skate board and some day I wish I could live in the sea.
Love,
Adam Smith

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a really big Bear and skis. I wish that I could see the elves.
Love,
Jody Fly

Dear Santa Claus,
Christmas is coming and I want a bike. I want a computer, too. I wish I could run really fast.
Love,
Mandy Roach

Dear Santa Claus,
Do you know what I want for Christmas? I want a bike and a Barbie and I really want to know if you had a good year.
I wish I could go see my grandma.
Love,
Monica Galvan

Dear Santa,
I would like a remote control race car.
Love,
Fred Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I want a house for my Barbie's. I want a Care Bear. I want a crib for my new baby brother. My big brother wants a heman suit. My big sister wants a Shee-ra suit.
Love,
Rebecca Lingnau

Dear Santa,
I want a Ninja man and I want Lazzr Tag. My mom wants a bottle of French perfume. My dad wants a

pipe wrench. My brothers and I want an automatic shot gun.
Love,
Russell Williams

Dear Santa,
I hope you will bring me a remote controlled dune buggy and a good friend like a stuffed animal monkey. I have been a nice boy.
Love,
Quinn Byrd

Dear Santa,
May I have Hatie Furskin and can I have a new bike? Please can I have a Cabbage Patch Kids play pen? You can put anything in my stocking, but please put a candy cane in it! Thank you. Merry Christmas!
P.S. May I have the Strawberry Shortcake, Maple stirrup, and the oatmobile.
Love,
Roslyn Bennett

Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for the presents last year. I hope you don't get sick Santa. Santa, I wish for a play tractor toy, and something for my brother a play Indian set of Indians toys, and something for mom and dad.

Dear Santa,
I want a miniature football and a big big remote control race car without the cord. And I want a rubber snake and that's all I want.
Love,
Jacob Fiske to Santa

Dear Santa, I hope you can get me a pound puppy and a barbie rocker car, a set of makeup for my sister, a slime for my brother and for my mom and dad a waterbed.
Love,
Cynthia Galvan

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. I would like a football suit and basketball suit.
Love,
Matt

Dear Santa,
I am in first grade. I am 6 years old. This year I would like a Punky Brewster and Brandon the dog.
Love,

Dear Santa,
I am in first grade. I am 6 years old. I would like a baby talk desk. I love you Santa.
Julie Franse

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. I would like a BB gun and a desk.
Kirk

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. I would like a Barbie and rockers.
Love,
Marcia

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. I would like a radio and a slime pit.
Love,
Isidro

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. I would like a popple and a Baby talk.
Love,
Meldody

Dear Santa,
I am in first grade. I am 6 years old. I would like a baby talk. I love you polar bear. Have a nice Christ-

mas.
Love,
Charla Beth Corn

Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old. Semi and watch.
Love,
Brandon
Have a nice Christmas.

Dear Santa,
I am in first grade. I am 7 years old. I would like a Doublestroller and a Cricket the doll.
Love,
Candace Renee Travis

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. Barbie house, Sheer a horse.
Love,
Eica
have a nice Christmas.

Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old. I have been ver good this year. I would like a Gobot and Race track.
Love,
Joe

Dear Santa,
I would like a Jam box and a Transformer.
Love,
Michael


Dear Santa,
I would like a Gobot and wheels.
dominic

Dear Santa,
Have a nice. I am 6 years old. I would like a Cornsilk kid and Bike.
Love,
Valerie

Dear Santa Claus,
What I want for Christmas is not very expensive. It is a tape called, Jon Bon Jovi and a W.W.F. wrestling ring for my wrestlers.
Yours truly,
Tony Gonzalez
Grade 5 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I wish for a computer and a new radio.
Leo Vargas
Grade 5 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope I can get a keyboard with a cassette thing on it. And I also want a race track and an operation game. I also want some new shoes and some clothes. And a football. Plus a motorcycle. And my tent.
Erasmio Moran
Grade 5 Lazbuddie



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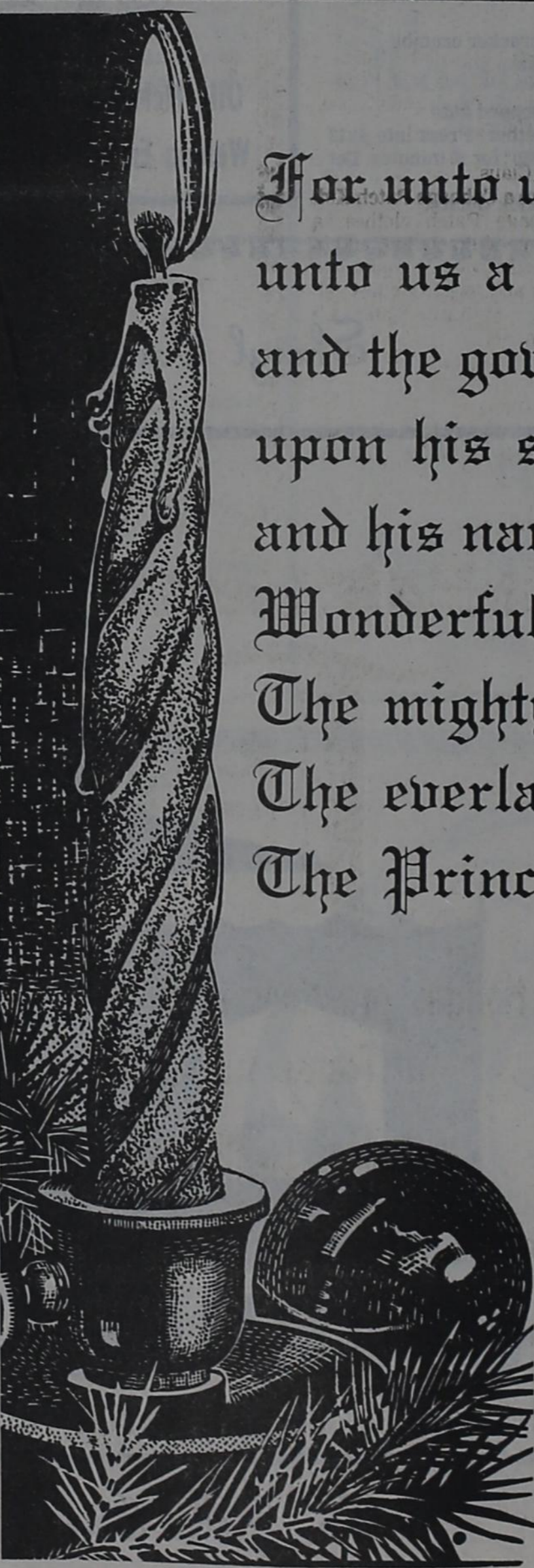
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CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS



May the feeling of peace be with you throughout this holiday season and for all of the years to come. We give you our thanks and the best wishes for a great holiday!

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For unto us a child is born,
unto us a son is given:
and the government shall be upon his shoulder:
and his name shall be called
Wonderful, Counsellor,
The mighty God,
The everlasting Father,
The Prince of Peace.

ISAIAH 9:6

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Santa, please let there be peace

Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for the Barbie house from last year. I would like a lamp, a slumber bag, a diary, and a watch, and some clothes.
Thank you,
Love,
Kristen Null

Dear Santa,
I want a 70 motorcycle and I want a Pound Puppy and a soccer ball for Christmas.
From Austin

Dear Santa Claus,
I want to thank you for my gun you gave me last Christmas. This year I would like some tapes for my computer. Is it really, really cold at the North Pole? Who is going to lead the sleigh?
To Santa from
Jerod Servatius

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a duplo lego set and a turbo train for Christmas. We got My mom 4 things for Christmas. My sister wants a doll for Christmas.
From,
John Montano

Dear Santa Claus,
I want some toys. I want a speedometer for my bike and I want a racecar so I can race other cars and beat them. I want some new clothes to wear too.
by Clyde Jenkins

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a Ken Barbie for Christmas please! I would like a Real Baby please! I would like for Mrs. Turnbough to get well please. Please Santa let the U.P.C. have revival. Santa let there be peace please. I believe in miracles they happen all the time.
Love,
Keri Parks

Dear Santa Claus,
Please give me a pair of headphones, clothes, telephone. Please give me a basketball, basketball court, shoes, boots, organ key, Z28, My dad a case of beer. My mom jewelry for her.
Love,
Pamula Sue McIntosh
P.S. Well, I guess that's all for this year. See you next year.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas, Santa! How are you and your wife? I want a Pound puppy and a bike and more. You will get some fudge on Christmas night so be sure to come. I love you! Tell Mrs. Santa, Merry Christams. And tell all of the reindeers Merry Christmas for me.
Your friend,
Lindsay Kittrell

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas Santa!
How are you? I want a Barbie Rocker. When you get done with your trip tell Mrs. Santa Merry Christmas. When you come I will give you cookies and milk. I'll be sleeping. I got two stockings.
Your friend,
Chris Gonzales

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas Santa. This is what I want for Christmas. The whole set of John Deere, a train, and the whole set of Construction. What you you there? How many children have been good this year? Do you have a great time doing your job? How do your reindeer fly? How heavy is your sleigh?
Your friend,
Jared

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas Santa! How are you doing? I am doing fine. I have been very good this year. So I have a couple of things I would like. I would like a Lazer Tag Academy and two rubber tires for my bike.
Your friend,
Joey Winkles

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas Santa! I remember when you came to my house. It was a lot of fun. I hope you come again. I want a lot of things. The thing I want most of all is a horse. I want it to be white.
Your friend,
Kim Dianne

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas Santa. How are you? Do you go across the world? You have a real special reindeer? Are they good reindeer? Santa, you are a special person. You have little elves. Ae they trying to make toys?
Your friend,
Jason

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas, Santa! I want a Pound Puppy for Christmas. I would like some play horses. I have tried to be a good girl this year. My brother has been a naughty boy. My brother wants a train set. My dad wants a chair.
Your friend,
Donann

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas Santa! Hi, how are you? Fine I hope. How are your deer? I want a Mask Raino, Thun-

der blade is a very bad guy. So they have wars all the time.
Your friend,
Raymond Duncan

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas, Santa! How are the deers? How is your wife? And how are the elfs. I bet they are excited. Is Mrs. Santa excited too? I hope so!
Your friend,
Melinda McGown

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas, Santa! I want to tell you how much I love you. I like the presents you make. I like to hear the snow crunch. The Christmas tree makes me happy. I love to play in the snow.
Your friend,
Misty Barnes

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas Santa!
How have you been? I want a gocart and a machine-gun that shoots BBs and pellets. It is at Wal-Mart. It is an air gun. I also want a pocket knife that is lazer sharp.
Your friend,
Justin Meeks

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I am doing fine. I think you know what I want. Well if you don't know I will tell you. I want a Nightrider car and a B.M.X. Bike 2000, and a Pound Puppy and a Torbo Train and a game watch.
Bryan Snyder

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a gun, a hat, a mask, a book, and a bike, a GI Joe, boots, shoes, My Little Buddy, record player, football, football America, A mail box, a dog, a watch, moter-sickyl, a vidow game, organ, and a glue. Also how are the elf's? And your wife? By the way how are you? I am just fine.
By,
Luis Trillo

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a motorbike for Christmas.
Bobby Fleming

Dear Santa,
I would like a bike and a Robot. I would like an 80 motorcycle. For my sister a Cabbage Patch and glasses.
From Tony Cabral

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Cabbage Patch Kid, Some Cabbage Patch clothes, a Pound Puppy with clothes and a Barbie named Crystal. I would like a Barbie car and Barbie clothes and talking doll, a My Little Sister doll and a Chipmonk.
From Anabel Madrid

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing? I am just fine. For Christmas I want a little Raccoon.
Your friend,
Margie Robinson

Dear Santa Claus,
Hi! How are you doing? I want a bike, an aquarium, and robot. There will be milk and cookies. I have been good this year. Is it cold at the North Pole?
From Jarrod Barfield

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Barbie Doll, a Care Bear, a Baby Talk doll, a My Little Sister and a Cabbage Patch Kid, Also a flower kid.
From
Jose Chavez

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a girls ten speed bike, basketball, a head phone set, phone and some skates. And a get in shape girl set. And a popple. P.S. Will you please bring my friend Jodi some turquoise ropers.
Love,
Jennie

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a new radio and some clothes and a new western shirt and a new bike, a baseball kit, a new glove and a bat. And a batting glove. Christmas is a time for presents and a time for cheers. Please let my teacher get well.
Merry Christmas.
Jared Ray Minshew

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a Purple Fluppy Dog, and a Jennifer that changes her color of hair, and a Popple. That's all for me.
Love,
Stephanie Andrea Montano

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like some Pound Puppies and Pound Purriers. I would also like a basketball and a basketball goal. I would like very much a Care Bear.
From,
Misty Robinson

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a Corvette. A gold necklace for my mom. I also want a stereo, a ten speed and a trip around the world.
love,
Laura

Dear Santa,
Would you bring me a stereo, a phone, ten speed, baby fluppy dog, a big silver motorcycle for my dad, some new clothes and jewelry for me and my mom, and a waterbed mattress, and a waterbed for my mom and dad. Well that's all.
Love,
Lisa Pierce
P.S. Please bring my mom and dad a Porche. Thank-you.

Dear Santa,
I would like a pair of skates, a basketball goal, money, Cabbage Patch clothes, and a whole bunch of candy please. And some pink Justin ropers.
Thank you Santa.
Love,
Jodi Chadwick

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have some clothes and a telephone and a carrier for my Cabbage Patch and a stroller for my Cabbage Patch too and some clothes for her too and a waterbed and a bedspread to go with it please. And a sweat shirt and please Santa and some new tennis shoes please and a basketball goal please and thanks.
Love,
Tasha Shaw

Dear Santa,
I would like a walkman stereo, electric semi-truck, army clothes, a picture of you, electric plane and a pear of ropers.
Your good boy,
Jereme

Dear Santa,
Christmas is a very fun season. It is time for presents and time for Christmas trees to be put up. I want a new bike and a new basketball and a Chicago Bears play outfit. And a motorcycle and a b-b-gun. And please let my teacher Mrs. Turnbough get well.
Your friend,
Raymond
Merry Christmas.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want some tires for my bike, a horse to ride, a basketball and goal, a new bed spread, a TV to go in my room, a new pair of shoes, a new pair of pants, and shirt.
By Kelli


Dear Santa,
My name is Brett Curtis. I am 5 years old. For Christmas I want a racetrack and a knife. Santa I have been very good. I'll leave cookies and coke.
love,
Brett

Dear Santa,
My name is Josh Curtis. I am 2 years old and have been a good boy this year. I want a choo-choo train for Christmas. I'll leave you something to eat.
Love,
Josh

Dear Santa,
We wish you'll be ready for Christmas. We all are; and I send you this letter for my brothers and me. We want a little mouse called Fivel. I want to say this in name of my brothers. Alex, baby Marcell, and me, Monica. We all love you and Mrs. Claus a lot.
Love,
Monica Lopez

Dear Santa,
Thankyou for the presents. Santa you are good to me. I like you very much. I want a My Child doll and a doll house. I try to be good. I want you to bring my brothers, mom and dad a present too.
Love,
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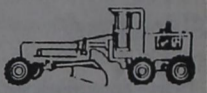
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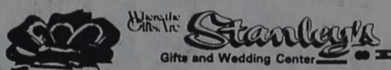
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Your friend,
Jeremy Stanton

Dear Santa Claus,
This year I want a hot rod racer, Flex, dare devil cliff hanger, 22 gun, race car, front end hay loader.
Your friend,
Sam Spears

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Mask set. I want a remote control car. And I want a new pair of tennis shoes.
Your pal,
Charles Alexander

Dear Santa Claus,
This is what I would like for Christmas. I would like a big doll and a big bear stuffed animal, Barbie doll, makeup set, radio, tapes with the radio, and HBO, and

that's all I want for Christmas.
Santa Claus I wanted to tell you that Christmas is special because Jesus was born on that day that's why Christmas is special Because Jesus was born on this day every body should be happy on this day it is when people give each other presents well that's all. See you later. Merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Maira Lesesa Juarez

Dear Santa Claus,
I have enjoyed your the last few years. I want a four wheeler for Christmas and some Niki Air-Jordan shoes. I'm sorry they cost \$52. I want a BB gun.
Your friend,
Tyrone Gooden

Dear Saint Nick,
I want a remote control car, a mini basketball court, a stereo set. And a black Stetsn hat. I'm getting something for Christmas cause I've been good all year.
Yours truly,
Pat Chumley

Dear Santa Claus,
I want to say how are you doing? I want a bike and a B-B gun. I wish I could see you. Have you ever mixed up the toys. What if your elves did? Is it cold over-there? I want some walkie-talkies too. I also want centurions. I want a robot that talks and walks.
Like your friend,
Jose Maldonado

Dear Santa,
I want a B-B gun. And remote control truck. And an electric guitar. And I want an Atari.
Your friend,
Marcos Ortiz

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a Baby Talk and a Popple. I would like a lot of stuffed animals. I would like to have a jambox. Please give my family some presents. Is it very cold down there? I hope you don't miss any kids. If you do they will be mad at you. I hope you don't get frost bit.
Your friend,
Suzanne Salguero

Dear Santa Claus,
I am glad to write you. Phillip my brothers says hi. My whole family says hi. I want clothes for Christmas. I want a unicorn. That's all. Only one thing. I want my mom to have a brown furniture set. Christmas is a time of the year. It comes on December 25. We have gifts under the tree. Sometimes we have chocolate cake. I want everyone to know that I wish you a Merry Christmas. O Little Town of Bethlehem, How still we see there lie; Above tiny deep and dreamless sleep the silent.
sincerely,
Leticia Ann Ortiz

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like 5 things. I would like an electric battleship, connect four, Flex, new coat and a B-B gun.
From,
Rickie Lee Pierce

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I am fine. How are your Elves? I saw your movie called Santa Claus. It was a very good movie. What I wanted to tell you is what I wanted for Christmas. I want a P.M.-A.M. stereo, and the whole world to be happy. I have a chimney where you can come through.
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Dear Santa,
I want a bike and some clothes. A skate board and green and white Nikes. I want to have a good Christmas.
Love,
Scott Smith
Texico N.M.

Dear St. Nick,
How are you? I'm fine. I want a stelh model rocet starter kit, a thunder tracks constructs kit, and a ninja, skate board, a lazer tag kit, and a transformer, megatron. My brother wants a farm truck set. My sister wants a Barbie three wheeler.

sincerely,
Adam
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like some finger nail polish and stickers to put on your nails. I bet you have lots of toys to deliver to most of these children and thats a lot. Wonder if the kids been good. Its going to be a wonderful Christmas. Your just going to be full of lots of goods. I hope you have fun. Have a Merry Christmas. Have a Happy New Year. The End.
By
Kelly Virole Delgado

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a trampoline with a little purple heart in middle. How have you been? As for me just fine if I get the trampoline.
Love,
Lisa Galvaiz
Grade 5 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I have been a verv good girl this

year. For Christmas I want some min. keyboards, a cornsilk Cabbage Patch doll, a Princess of Power doll a mermaid and a Jem doll.
Your friend,
Brandy Kay Nelson
Grade 5 Lazbuddie
Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! May I please have Barbie Rockers and Strawberry Shortcake, Care Bear. I'm in the first Grade. Happy Birthday. I

love you,
Sofia
Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! May I please have some glue and two cars. Big foot and a turbo train, crayons and backpack.
I love you,
I'm in first grade,
Terry

GREETINGS OF THE SEASON

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Upside down

Above, Richard Hadley holds Jeremy Cochran and Darrell Stephens holds Chanse Stephens as they prepare to receive their Bobcat badges. The award is pinned on to the boys while they are upside down; they must do a good deed before the badge can be turned right side up. Below, Cub Scouts and their parents prepare to play a balloon toss game at a recent pack meeting.





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It reminds me of the day Jesus was born

BY TERRY WHITENER

What does Christmas mean to me?

It means presents, toys, and a Christmas tree.

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With the love and warmth of family and friends, I ask myself, as this year comes to an end.

What is the real reason for celebrating this way?

It's the birth of our Lord Jesus, on each Christmas Day!

BY MARCUS SCHAUF

Christmas means to me to wake up to a warm fire in the living room, then walking in to see all the presents I got under the tree; playing Santa Claus and handing out presents to members of my family, and watching the amazing faces as they open presents.

Then we get ready to go to our grandparents' house for Christmas dinner. There is turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, salad, and, for dessert, chocolate cake. After the meal is over we sit around and talk or play with our toys we got from our aunts and uncles. When it becomes dark we go home.

At home we eat a little supper because we're stuffed from lunch time. We sit around and watch TV and play with our toys. That night I dream of what to do with my toys tomorrow.

BY MELISSA MONTANO

The meaning of Christmas is being with my family and celebrating the birth of Christ. It means sitting around the fireplace and singing Christmas carols. Christmas is a time to have fun putting up the Christmas tree, and it is a time for us to enjoy the snow that Christmas brings by building snowmen.

Christmas means that the new year is not very far away and this year is about to end. It also means time for exchanging gifts with family and friends.

Christmas is one time in the year that we get to see all the bright colorful lights on the trees, houses, and the trees outside.

BY DOUG TIMS

One of the first things that comes to my mind when I think of Christmas is the tree symbol of Christmas. This is a Christmas tree, of course, with its many ornaments and decorations which seem to bring out the true spirit of Christmas. I personally don't think it would be a Christmas without a Christmas tree.

Or maybe it's the jolly fictional character who wears a bright red uniform and rides in a sleigh loaded with toys, gifts, and packages which he distributes to everyone around the world. Of course it would be none other than Santa Claus and his eight miniature reindeer. Christmas wouldn't be the same without the fairy tale of Santa Claus and his way of sliding down the chimney with care and a bag full of presents and leaving a note by the tree.

I can't forget the true meaning of Christmas which to my family means a celebration of gift giving and sharing and a reunion of the family members who are full of happiness and Christmas cheer. To me it means the imaginary dream-world of Christmas with a snow white day full of tales such as Santa Claus and the story of Tiny Tim. Everyone believes Christmas means gift receiving, but it means more than that; it means sharing,

and remembering the true meaning of Christmas.

BY BRIAN ROGERS

This is a time when I can hardly get to sleep the night before. I stay awake a long time. Finally morning comes. I run into the living room and there they are, all the presents I've been wanting to open for weeks, now. I wake up my parents, and slowly begin opening presents.

After all the gifts are open, I go and get cleaned up and dress for the Christmas meal at my Grandmother's. She always makes a huge dinner with turkey and dressing and mashed potatoes. When everyone has had their fill, we all go to the den and open my grandfather's and grandmother's presents. We then sit down and watch the football game.

About this time we all get into the car and go home. When we get home we get to mess around with all the things we got earlier in the day.

Some people may call my version of Christmas dumb, but I like it.

BY JENNIFER GENTRY

Christmas means many things to many people. Some people like the joy of giving gifts. Some like the festive parties. Others enjoy the colorful lights up and down the streets.

Christmas means so much to me because it reminds me of the day Jesus was born. Because of His birth, I can live in a country where there is freedom. When I sit down at the table on Christmas Day, I can be thankful for the many things he has given me.

It is fun to be able to pick out and cut your own Christmas tree. Dad had the pleasure of putting the lights on and leaves the rest to Mom and me. No tree is complete until you have put the beautifully wrapped packages underneath it.

Christmas is a time of sharing yourself and your love with others. Making other people happy is very important to me. The older I get, the more Christmas means to me. I think that receiving isn't the most important thing. Being together with my family on that special day is what is important. I wish everyone had someone like I do to spend Christmas Day with.

BY VICKY HERNANDEZ

To me, Christmas means a time to be happy and full of joy. It also means that it's a time in which to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. It's also a time to see all my loved ones.

Christmas also means opening presents and cherishing them. To open presents to enjoy yourself by not going to school also represents the meaning of Christmas.

To me, Christmas is also a time to feel loved and to return that love. It is a time to forget all your hatred, and to love everyone, including your worst enemies. Christmas is a time of peacefulness and enjoyment.

Christmas also means a time to sing songs such as "Silent Night," and, "Joy to the World." It is a time to sing because you're happy, not frustrated and lonely. Christmas also means that love is flowing everywhere. Love is also abundant during this joyous holiday because we see all your loved ones.

This wonderful holiday is also a time to celebrate and remember the birth of Jesus Christ. It's a time to think about how great His love is for us.

This beautiful holiday also represents eating Mexican dishes such as "Tamales," and "Bunuelos." In our

Mexican tradition, we eat those dishes and many more Mexican foods.

Christmas is also a time to forgive all our enemies. It's a time in which you forget all your sorrows and griefs. It's also a time to remember that God loves and cares for you, no matter who you are.

BY VIRGINIA BURNETT

To me, Christmas means a lot of things. One is love. Love is a feeling that seems to thrive on this special holiday, when I am surrounded by all my relatives and some of my friends. It means giving, sharing, and eating. It also means having fun, playing in the snow, caroling, and later, getting together to go out and bring joy to those who are less fortunate.

Another thing Christmas means to me is excitement. It seems that there is excitement in everything I do, such as fixing a grand Christmas dinner and trying to hustle from store to store, catching the sales before the holiday. Excitement also exists in buying presents and wrapping them, always afraid I'm going to get caught. Excitement is also there when I sneak the presents under the tree, anticipating the joy on everyone's faces as they open the presents presented to them.

But, most of all, Christmas means to remember, remember all the Christmases past and all the people involved. It means to remember to stay out from under the mistletoe, and all of those that have this holiday as their first Christmas, and to also remember who didn't live to see this special holiday.

Christmas means a lot of things, as I have already said, but one thing

that stands out the most, when I think of Christmas, is Christ. He makes me feel grateful for all I have and to remember how He carried all of our sins when He was crucified.

Christmas means a lot of different things to different people, but this is what it means to me.

VALERIE CAVALLERO

To me, Christmas means a lot, especially the birth of Christ. I am so thankful for Jesus, because he has done many things for me. At Christmas everyone gets together to celebrate the newborn King, and I think it's just great!

Christmas is also a time to be happy and get closer to the ones I love. It gives my family a chance to come home to get and give presents. Christmas is a time to put up a Christmas tree and decorate it with colorful ornaments, and to put the pretty lights around the house.

I like to go on a cold, snowy night, with other people, Christmas caroling, to the houses of people I know.

I enjoy going outside, on a snowy day, and make a snowman, snow angels, and having snow ball fights, but it's not very often that I have a chance in New Mexico.

On the night before Christmas.

How is it at the North pole?

How are you? How is Mrs. Claus? How is it in the North Pole? I want a new TV for my room. I want a brand new car for my family. I want a hospital kit. I want a suit for my mom and dad.

Love,
Cherie Luvin Lindley
Grade 2 Texico

it's fun to sit in front of the fireplace and read to my nieces a story about Santa Claus, "Frosty the Snowman," and other Christmas characters.

Most of all Christmas means, giving gifts without worrying about whether I am going to get a gift or not. Last, but definitely not least, Christmas is remembering the birth of Christ.

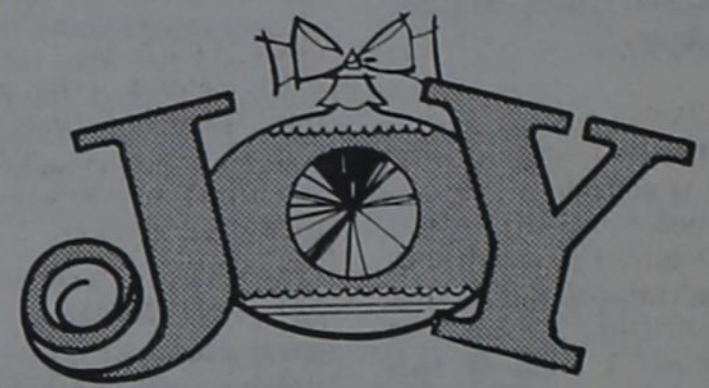
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To me Christmas Day means sharing with good family and friends. What I like about family is they can help me with my troubles I have anytime. Friends are what make the world go around. They're

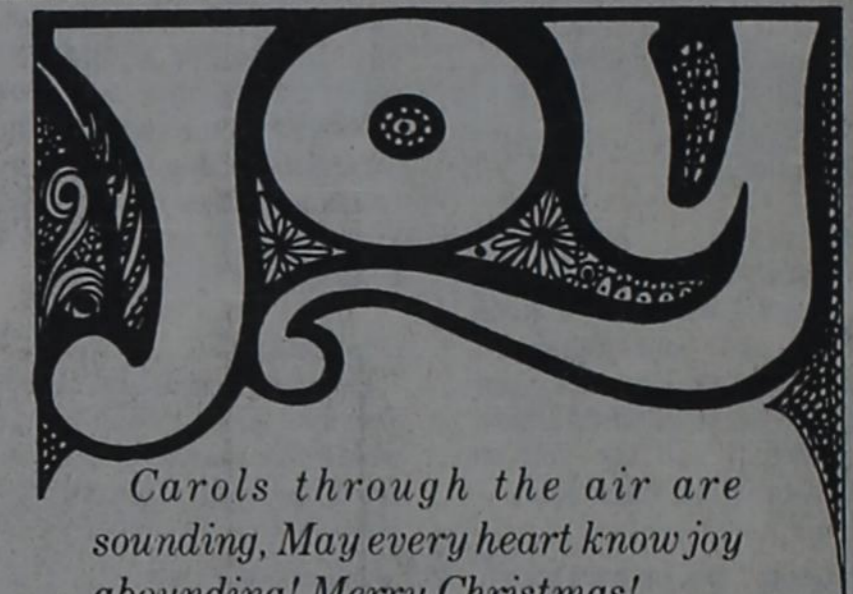
always there when you need them.

Another thing I love about Christmas is snow, lots and lots of beautiful white fluffy snow. I like to sit in the snow on Christmas Eve and wonder what I got for Christmas. I just can't wait to see everybody's faces when they open the gifts from me.

But my favorite thing is vacation - being able to get out of school and not have to worry about grades in 'Algebra' or any kind of homework at all; being able to see relatives that I hardly ever see except during Christmas vacation; and at the end of opening the presents and giving thanks to your family and relatives on this Christmas Day, I like to watch the football games on TV.



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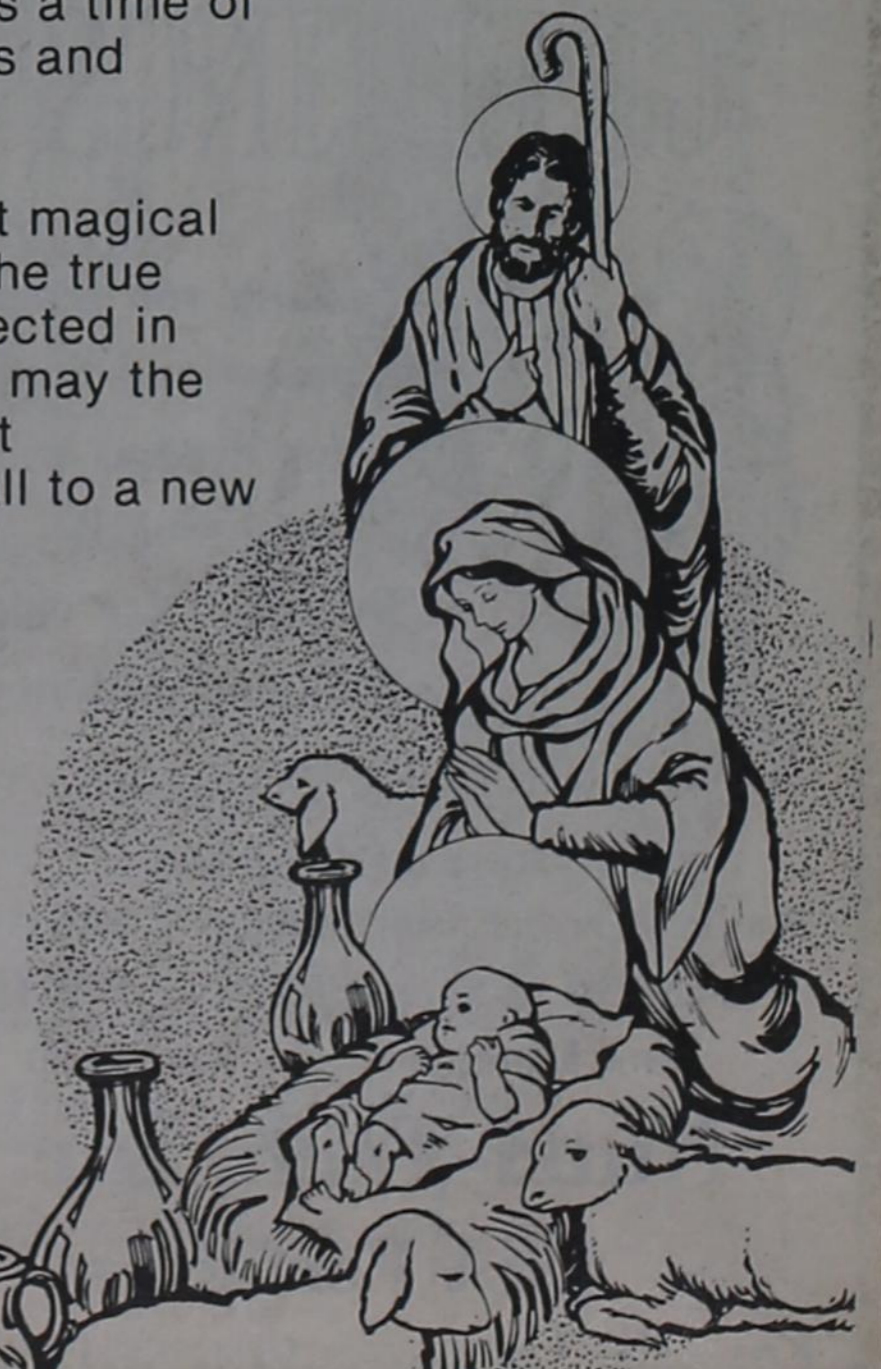
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Holy Night

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As we celebrate again that magical moment, let us pray that the true spirit of Christmas be reflected in the hearts of all men. And may the special promise of the first Christmas child bring us all to a new and glorious morn.



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Love,
Joey Mouser
Grade 3 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! May I please have Big Foot, Teddy Ruxbin, Turbo train. I love you Christmas! Happy Birthday Jesus.
Love,
Chad

Dear Santa,
I want the Intendo Computer set. Please take good of it. Thank you for last year's present. There will be cookies and milk.
Love,
Heath Brown
Grade 2 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? How cold is in the North Pole? I want a Barbie. her name is Dream Glow Barbie. I've been very good. I wish it was Christmas Eve. I also want a My Child stroller. My mom wants jewelry. I want a pony, and a TV, and Jam box.
Love,
Aimee Reed
Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa,
I would like a My Child. I would like a baby bed to go with it. I would like to have a little stroller. I would like to have stirrup pants and a long shirt too. And a cornsilk hair Cabbage Patch. P.S. I would like a picture of you.
Love,
Suzanne Richmond

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas Santa! How have you been? I will want a Rock Barbie. How are your reindeer? How is Mrs. Santa's How are your reindeer? How is Mrs. Santa? How are your elves. I will see you on Christmas Eve. Write back soon.

Your friend,
Vaness Anaya

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas, Santa! How are you? Is your wife ok? How are your reindeer? Are your elves ok? How is the weather? Are you getting ready for Christmas?
Your friend,
Kelley Cooper

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! May I please have 4 back back, glue svissors, 2 stuf fear Punky, Barbie Rockers. I'm in 1st grade.
Love,
Tina

Dear Santa,
How are you doing?
Do you know what I want. I want a Puppy, a Pound Puppy, a Pound purry, lamp, calculator watch.
From Melynda Crouch

Dear Santa,
Hi! How are you doing? I have been good this year so I have a large list of presents. I want a plane, a transformer, a 100 dollar bill, a new house, and a GI Joe boat called the Flag. I am going to be Charlie Brown in a play. How is the factory? I How are your elves doing? I hope I see you this year because I want to see what you look like. I will leave out cookies and milk.
Your friend,
Christopher Rink

Dear Santa Claus,
Christmas is coming! How are your doing? I want a Jenny doll or a bath tub doll or a nurse kit. Jenny needs some clothes too also bath tub doll needs some clothes also. Well is Mrs. Santa Claus doing okay baking cakes and elves making toys? Hope your reindeer are doing ok too.
Rachel Embry

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Are the reindeer ok? Has it been cold there? I would like some cowboy boots that are gray with blue stitching, size

12½. I would also like a purple baby pony. I have been a pretty good girl this year.
Could you also bring a play tool box and a pull train with wooden blocks for my little brother Justin who is too little to write? He has been a pretty good boy.
We will be at Papa and Mamaus at Shamrock so please bring our presents there. We will leave you some cookies and milk in case you're hungry.
I'm sorry I missed seeing you at the mall. Be careful and I love you.
Love,
Ashli
Texico

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a doll carriage.
Love,
Veronica Almanza

Dear Santa,
My name is Karissa Lorene and I am 3 years old. I have a little sister and her name is Khallie Mae. She is one year old. I would like a music deal for Christmas. Mom says it is called a music maker. I also want a saddle for my horse Blacky, and some old saddles for all the other old horses. Some other things I'd like are some makeup, a necklace, some barbie stuff for my barbies and a daddy barbie for my mommy barbies. Some toys for the tub for me and Khallie would be good too.
Khallie may need some mommy

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! May I please have Fish and a fish tank and a BB gun. I love you.
Love,
John

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas!
May I please have back pack. I love you. Happy Birth.
Love,
Shawna

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas!
May I please have Big Foot,

Unending good wishes to you and yours this Christmas.

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Machine gun, I love you. I'm in first grade.
Love,
Patrick

Dear Santa,
I would like a baby popple and a doll that talks. Also roller skates like Jacques, a cassette player. Can you bring me a saddle for Judge when I ride him?
I have been a good help for mommie by helping with baby brother. So please bring John Paul some baby toys like maybe blocks or a truck. Thank you for last years things and be careful on the snow.
Love,
Melody

Dear Santa,
I want a big foot for Christmas and a remote control car with buttons.
Love,
Jr. Lopez
Grade 3 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a stereo with two tape players. I want 12 AA and 4C batteries. I would like a tire for my bike, a GI Joe black plane, a water proof watch with an alarm, Legions of power, a waterbed, some gas for my motorcycle.
Love,
Travis Barber
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Geries named director of feeder association

First State Bank of Uvalde senior vice president Dickie G. Geries has been named to the board of directors of the Texas Cattle Feeders Association.

The announcement came at the association's annual meeting, which was held on Nov. 16-18 at the Westin Galleria in Houston.

Geries, who has served as a senior officer at First State Bank since May 1982, was elected to serve a three-year term that expires November 1989 on the association's 30-member board.

"We are very pleased to have Dick come onto the board," said Burt Rutherford, communications director for the association.

"He brings financial as well as business experience to the board that I think will be very helpful to us in the next three years," Rutherford said.

The Texas Cattle Feeders Association is an industry organization representing over 6,500 members in the nation. The majority of the association's members are actively involved in commercial cattle feeding, feedlot operating or allied businesses.

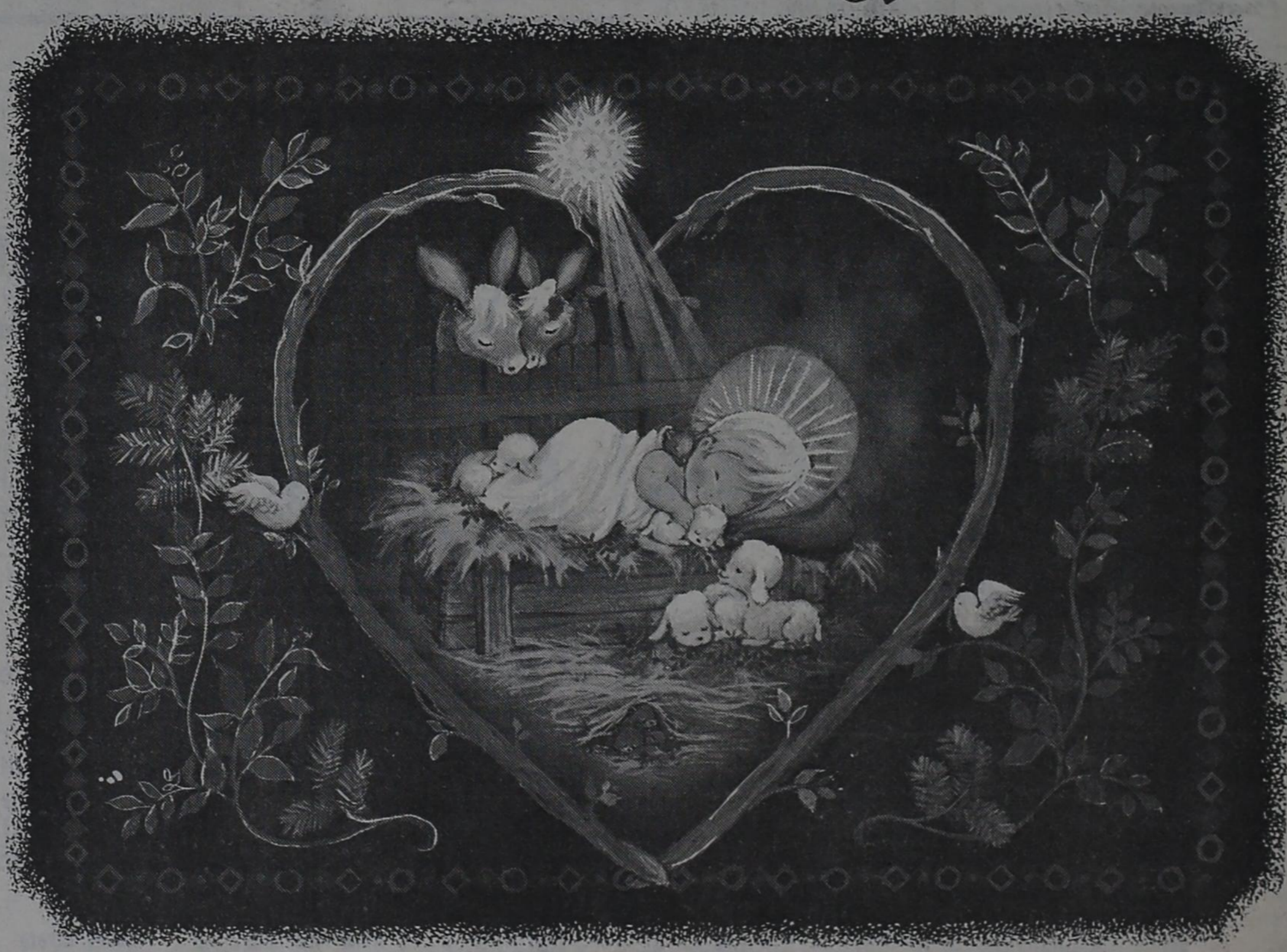
The association exists to promote

the aims of cattle feeding and to represent the industry before state and national governmental bodies. Geries is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Geries of Farwell.



Dickie Geries

Silent Night..



Behold! The Child sleeps at peace among the animals. Let us pray for the comfort and inner joy that comes with love and sharing. A blessed, happy Christmas to all.

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Lebkuchen - a traditional Dutch Christmas cookie

By Betty Pierce

Many people in our area have asked for this recipe. I normally give for a Halloween treat. But is good for any season.

BETTY'S POPCORN CAKE

- 4 qts. popped popcorn
- 3/4 lb. M&M candies
- 1 lb. miniature marshmallows
- 1 c. peanuts
- 1/2 c. vegetable oil
- 1/2 c. butter

Grease an Angel Food pan. Mix popcorn, M&M's, peanuts in a large bowl. Melt butter, oil, marshmallows in double boiler pour mixture together fast. Pack entire mixture into Angel Food cake pan. Chill for 30 minutes. Loosen with knife - turn onto plate. slice - Electric knife works best. Better than any popcorn ball you ever ate.

MY CHRISTMAS CANDY

- 1/4 lb. melted butter
- 1 can Eagle Brand milk
- 3 c. chopped walnuts
- 2 boxes candied cherries (chopped)
- 2 lbs. powder sugar
- 1 pkg. flaked coconut
- 2 tsp. vanilla

Mix all ingredients together and form into balls. Chill. Melt the following in a double boiler: 1 large hershey bar 1 - 12 oz. pkg. chocolate chips 1/2 bar of parafin wax Dip the rolled balls into mixture and place on waxed paper.

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Cover 1 1/2 pints of strawberries with boiling water. Let stand 2 minutes. Drain in colander. Add 1 cup sugar and bring to boil, let boil 2 minutes. Add another cup of sugar and boil 3 minutes. Let stand overnight, stirring occasionally so fruit won't sink to bottom. Seal cold. Store in refrigerator or freeze for later use.

Historic Recipe of the Week

BLACKBERRY JAM CAKE

One cup sugar, 3/4 cup sugar, 2 cups flour, 1/2 cup buttermilk, 1 teaspoon soda (full), 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1 teaspoon nutmeg, 1 cup jam.

Mrs. J.L. Mitchell
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Let's get down to business!

Dear Santa,

I want a bike, a play Bigfoot, a play camera. I am 6 years old. I have one brother Jimmy, and one sister Penny. She is writing for me today.
Bye,
Love Alan Ray Tripp

Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie doll, a pair of skates a Barbie car, a baby cradle, new clothes, new shoes, new hair clips, a new watch, new purse. That's all.
See you at Christmas.
Write back soon.
Love,
Penny Michelle Tripp

Dear Santa,

I hope you are feeling good enough to drive out on Christmas night. Now lets get down to business. I would like a tractor, graincart, cottonstripper, and bowbuggy. I would also like a bow and arrow. Could you throw in ten Christmas pencils for school? The End.
Merry Christmas! Thank you!
Love,
Guy Nickels
Grade 3 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,

These are the things I want. I want a Barbie horse that is black. The next thing I want is a Tropical Barbie. I want a glass doll that has a pink and purple dress.
Love,
Krista Smith
Grade 3 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a cordless remote control Turbo hopper.
Love,
Justin

Dear Santa,

I have been very good. Please bring me My Buddy toys, moonboots, bike, blocks and clothes.
P.S. I will leave cookies and milk for you.
Love,
John Cole
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Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. Please bring me some moonboots, watch, toys, and clothes.
Love,
Richard Cole

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a Baby Talk. I want clothes, Bib, and bike and some black shoes. I want some earrings, necklace, crayons and Pound

Puppy.

Love,
Melissa Vasquez

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a bike. If you can't make it I want a Barbie Doll with clothes. And-I want a boy with some clothes but it has to have some clothes but it has to have boy clothes.
Love,
Adelina Vasquez

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. I hopw you have a Merry Christmas. For Christmas I would like a Magic Moves Barbie. Maybe a few clothes. A My Child, a keeper, a lockstich sewing machine, a Fluppy Dog, a watch, a ring, Pound Puppy, My Sister, Baby Talk and a tent bed.
Love,
Jacque Sides

Dear Santa,

I want new shoes, new clothes and a new watch. You can bring me lots of prizes too.
I love you,
Jimmy Tripp
Write back soon.

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. For Christmas I want a Pound Puppy, an animator, a play like ironing board, crazy combo, a

cherleader dress for Barbie, Celebration Barbie, and Teddy Ruxpin.
Love,
Ginger

Dear Santa,

How are you? How is the North Pole? How are the reindeer? How is Mrs. Claus? I want a new four door pickup for my dad. I want a rowboat and a bike and a skateboard and a watch.
Love,
Eric Drager
Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer? How is Mrs. Claus? I want a baby talk. I want a My Child. My mom wants a tennis racket. My daddy wants a 4x4 little pick-up with a remote control.
Love,
Adrea Carter
Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you? I wish I had My child. I have been a good girl this year. What would you like this Christmas? I want a stoller with My Child. I live at 1004 E Grand.
Love,
Bridget Steward
Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? How are you? How is Miss Claus? I have been good. How is the weather down there? I want a mask base.
Love,
Josh Lynn
Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa Claus,

I love you. I want a bike for Christmas. How are your reindeer? Please bring my brothers bikes too.
Love,
Raymond Moncayo
Grade 2 Texico

Christmas spirit is singing out all over the land. We add our voice, wishing you and yours the finest of holidays! Have the Merriest Christmas yet!

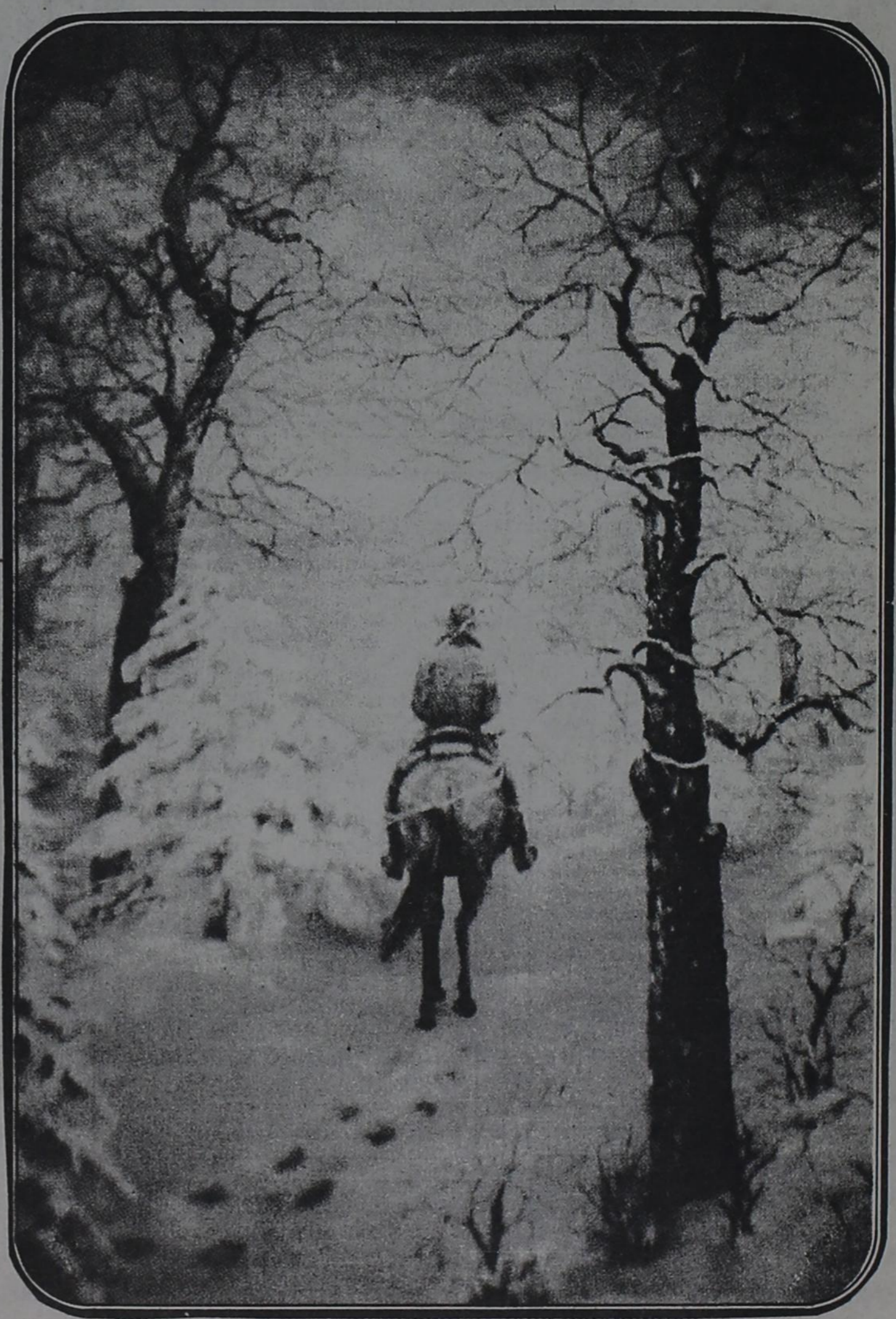
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John

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May the real reason for Christmas be in every heart

'Tis not the weight of jewel or plate,
Or the fondle of silk and fur;
'Tis the spirit in which the gift is rich,
As the gifts of the wise ones were;
And we are not told whose gift was gold
Or whose was the gift of myrrh.

— Edmund Vance Cooke

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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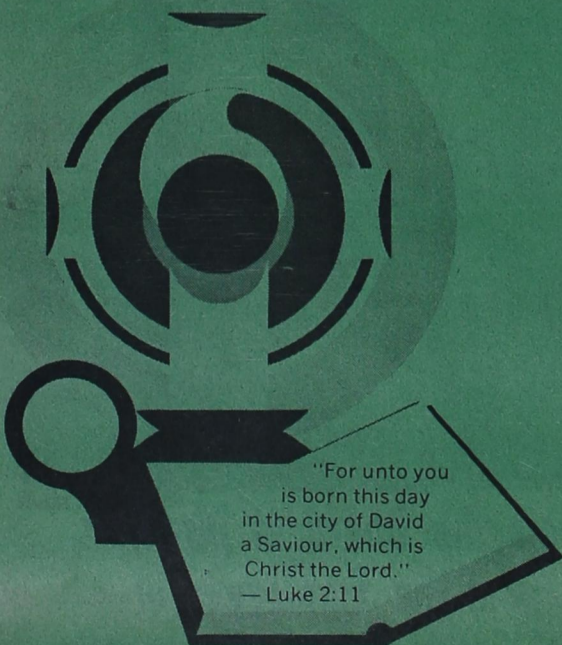
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"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."
— Luke 2:11

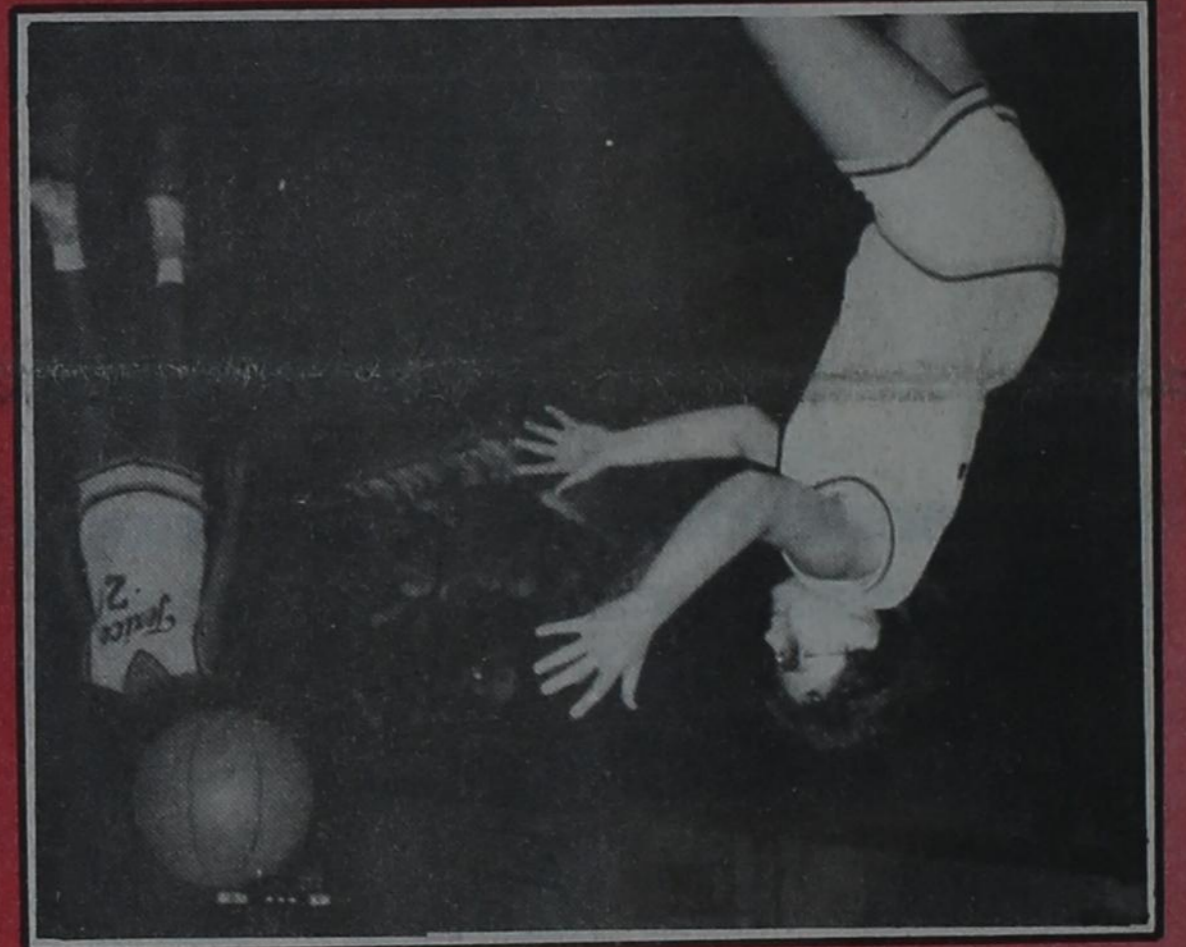
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Basketball is alive and well in Texico-Farwell

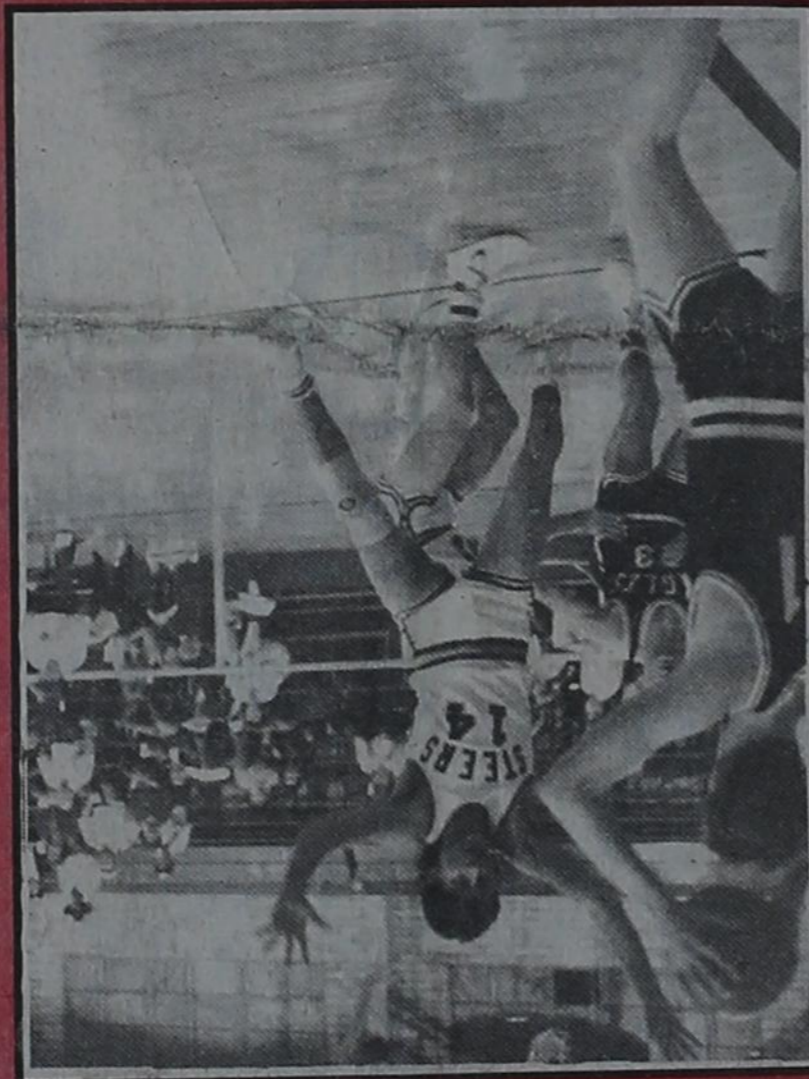
Lady Wolverines' Tilla Longo shoots over the defense



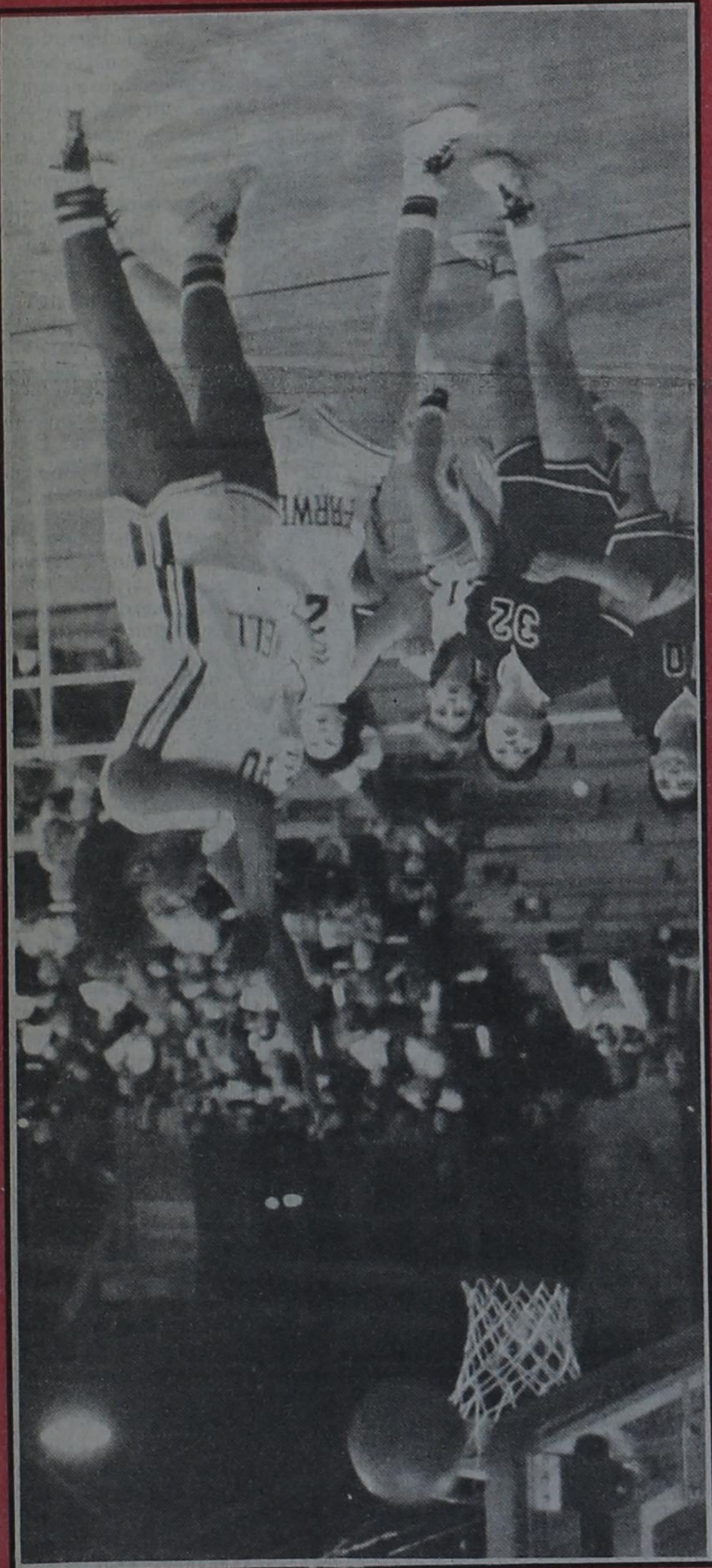
Lady Wolverines' Andria Chadwick awaits a pass



Danny Rubio skies to try and block an inbound pass

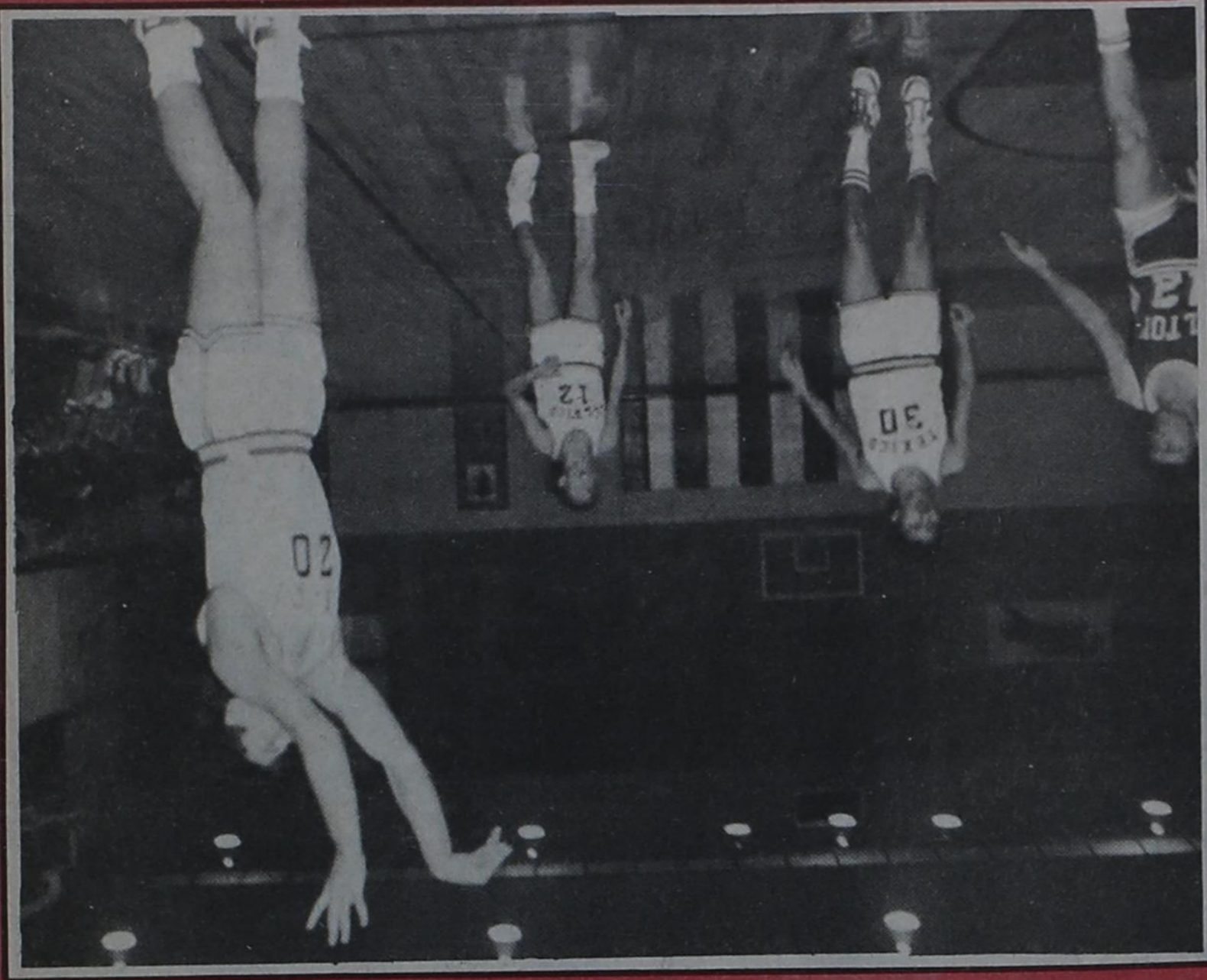


Shonda Foster puts in 2 for the Steerettes



Jeff Ackinson drives in, typifying the Steers' aggressive style

Rod Smith hits from the corner for the Wolverines



Photos by J.R. Ivins & Mike Pomper

Texas mourns death of Stephen Austin

1836: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27. Texas Secretary of State Stephen Fuller Austin died today at age 43, after a long illness. The entire country is in mourning, and the armed services have been ordered to wear crape on the right arm for the next 30 days. The order by Secretary of War William S. Fisher states:

"The father of Texas is no more. The first pioneer of the wilderness has departed. General Stephen F. Austin, Secretary of State, expired this day at half-past twelve o'clock, at Columbia." The order continues: "All officers commanding post garrisons or detachments will, as soon as information is received of this melancholy event, cause 23 guns (one for each county in the Republic) to be fired, with an interval of five minutes between each; and also have the garrison and regimental colors hung with black, during the space of mourning for the illustrious deceased."

Austin began the Anglo-American colonization of Texas after he came to San Antonio in August, 1821, at the age of 27. His father, Moses Austin, had obtained a grant from Spain, approved January 17 of that year, to settle 300 families on some 200,000 acres, location not specified. When Stephen arrived to work with him, he found that his father had died on June 10. The grant was transferred to him by the Spanish territorial governor, Antonio Maria Martinez, and authorized him to select a site on the coastal plain between the San Antonio and the Brazos Rivers. He offered family heads 640 acres, an American square mile rather than the Spanish measure, plus 320 acres for his wife and each child, and 80 acres for each slave. The grant authorized Austin to collect 12½ cents per acre from each colonist.

With Mexican independence, his grant was cancelled, and Austin had to travel to Mexico City to petition for a continuation. In 1823 Mexico established the "empresario" system, providing a league and a labor, about 4,605½ acres, for each family head, without payment of any fee for each 200 families introduced, the empresario received 16,000 acres from the government.

The details of this system changed at times, but the basic system remained. It created problems for Austin. Some who had originally paid him 12½ cents per acre now objected, and the prospect of 16,000 acres for each 200 families introduced brought him no immediate cash. However, he was able to complete his first settlement contract, and obtained three additional ones for a total of 2,000 families. By 1832 he had brought some 8,000 persons into Texas.

In administering the colonies, he was responsible for directing surveyors, checking their field notes, allocating grants, seeing that there were no lapovers, and making sure that a permanent record of each title was kept. In addition, he organized a militia and personally led forays to punish hostile Indians. He had to continue his recruiting, entertain prospects, deal with Mexican officials, and he also served in the legislature of the State of Coahuila and Texas at Monclova. He was barely able to cover expenses

through fees for costs and services, including signing titles. He has always been of frugal habits; his wealth, he has often said, is in the future. That future never arrived.

The town of San Felipe de Austin, founded in July, 1823 by Austin and Baron de Bastrop, served as headquarters for the colonists, and was the de facto capital of Anglo-American Texas. The Convention of 1832 was held there, with Austin as president, and also the Convention of 1833, in which Austin was elected to deliver petitions to the Mexican government.

He left San Felipe in April, 1832, and reached Mexico City in July. He was able to obtain the repeal of a law of 1830 which had cancelled Anglo-American immigration into Texas, but was unable to get approval of a separate state government for Texas. He started home in December, but when he reached Saltillo in January, he was arrested by order of President Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna on suspicion of trying to incite insurrection. He was returned to Mexico City and imprisoned without trial until December, 1834, after which he was paroled but required to remain in Mexico City. He was freed in the general amnesty of July of last year.

He returned to Texas in August after an absence of two years and four months, his health greatly deteriorated. Previously in favor of remaining under Mexican rule, he now advocated independence and annexation. At Gonzales on October 11 last year, he was elected commander of the Texas army. However, he resigned on November 25 in order to become one of the three commissioners to the United States to obtain loans and in other ways work for Texas independence.

Last summer Austin reluctantly agreed to run for President, but received only 587 votes compared with 4,374 for General Sam Houston, who then asked him to become Secretary of State. Despite his illness, he accepted, and has been active to the end. His entire life has been devoted to Texas. His home in San Felipe was burned down during the Santa Anna invasion, and he has said that since then "I make my home where the business of the country calls me." A few weeks ago he wrote: "I have no farm, no cotton

plantation, no income, no money, no comforts. I have spent the prime of my life and worn out my constitution in trying to colonize this country." He died on a pallet on the floor of a clapboard shack in Columbia. He has never married, and leaves no children.

1845: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28. Tomorrow President James K. Polk will sign the law which admits Texas as the 28th state of the United States. It was passed by the House of Representative on December 16 by a vote of 141 against 56, and by the Senate on December 22 by a vote of 31 to 14. The actual transfer of power and the inauguration of the state administration is scheduled for February 19.

The new state constitution for Texas was ratified by an almost unanimous vote on October 10. Two weeks ago, on Monday, December 15, elections were held for the new state government, in which James Pinkney Henderson was named Governor by a large majority over Dr. James B. Miller. Albert C. Horton was elected Lieutenant-Governor in a close race with Nicholas H. Darnell. Members of the state legislature were also elected. They will convene February 16. One of

their first tasks will be the election of the state's two Representatives and two Senators. The Senators are expected to be Generals Sam Houston and T.J. Rusk, who fought side by side in the Battle of San Jacinto. President Anson Jones will continue in office until February 19.

Thus come to a close the turbulent, trouble-filled years of the Republic of Texas, which would have celebrated its tenth anniversary next March 2. Before the colonization by Anglo-Americans began in 1822, it was largely a primeval wilderness, dominated by roving bands of Indians, without roads and only a few navigable streams. The only civilized settlements were San Antonio de Bexar, Nacogdoches, and a few others.

Many farm families settled in Texas, but there were also many adventurers and outcasts. A citizen of San Felipe's early days reports that there was popular ditty then that went:

The United States, as we understand,
Took sick and did vomit the dregs of the land.
Her murderers, bankrupts and rogues you may see
All congregated at San Felipe.
He goes on to say: "Then followed



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a long string of names, including those of the most prominent men in the place, together with the cause which impelled them to emigrate." Another early inhabitant says, "People were nearer an equal footing socially in San Felipe than any place I ever saw; if one said to another 'You ran away,' he could (Continued on Page 4)

We Wish You...
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Our sincere thanks, too.



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CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS



The Most Beautiful Picture in the World

An artist sought to paint the most beautiful picture in the world. He asked a clergyman.

"What is the most beautiful thing in the World?"

"Faith", answered the clergyman, "you can feel it in every church, find it at any altar."

The artist searched further and found a young bride. Upon asking her the same question she replied.

"Love. Love turns poverty into riches, sweetens tears, makes much of little. Without it there is no beauty."

Going further he made the same inquiry of a soldier who answered.

"Peace is the most beautiful thing in the world. War is the most ugly. Wherever you find Peace you will find beauty."

"Faith, Love and Peace... how can I paint them?" wondered the artist. Entering his house he found Faith in the eyes of his children, Love in the eyes of his wife and there in his home was the Peace that Faith and Love built.

So he painted "The Most Beautiful Thing In The World." and when he finished he called it

"HOME."

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Joyous Christmas



After nearly 2,000 years the Holy Birth remains a wondrous miracle to all. As we remember the joy of the Wise Men who sought and found the Christ Child in the manger, let us exult and offer thanks in celebration of His coming. May this sacred season bring the Light of Peace and Love into your heart and home.

Bill Christian

Richard Hadley

Norma Akers

Fern Tharp

Jere Herrington

Tammi Rich

Lisa Smith



Texico Branch

'Gone to Texas' becomes byword

retort, 'So did you.'

The term "Gone to Texas" became a byword in the United States, and was so well known that the initials G.T.T. could be used instead. Chalked upon the door of an abandoned cabin, it meant that the former occupant had absconded a step ahead of the law. Many of the worst elements were no farther than the "Neutral Ground" across the Sabine River, and that area is still notorious for its lawlessness. President Houston had to call out the militia twice to restore order, the latest being only a year ago last August.

Many of the army volunteers who

streamed into Texas were adventurers seeking fame and fortune. The Republic has been at war with Mexico and Indians through its existence. Nearly every man has at some time served in the militia on the army. In general, Texans are a hardy, boisterous, quarrelsome lot. They are individualists in the extreme. There is little wonder that there has been so much strife and bickering in the Republic's history.

Yet Texas has been fortunate in finding dedicated leaders, including its presidents, David G. Burnet, Sam Houston, Mirabeau B. Lamar, and Anson Jones. The heady experience of founding a new nation,

the constant threat of danger from Mexico and Indians, the challenge of financial solvency, and the myriad other difficulties that beset the Republic brought a vast outpouring of energy and determination that has carried the Republic through.

Now on the road to prosperity and recognized by a number of European nations, Texas could continue as a sovereign nation if she so desired. But annexation has always been the cherished goal of its citizens. In the first national election held in Texas, in 1836, annexation was on the ballot and drew only 91 negative votes. Now at last it has been consummated.

Sam Houston delved into poetry at times. He composed the following poem, which he titled "To a Lady." Whether the lady was his former wife, Eliza Allen, or someone else, Houston has never revealed.

Oh, where's the step that once was light,
The Heart that felt no throb of sorrow,
When every morning's rays were bright,
And Hope could gild the coming morrow?

That Heart has ceased to beat with joy,
Has ceased to hope for coming pleasure;
It smiles on Glary as a toy
And Virtue as the only treasure.

Farewell! I wish it were not so,
That we must part and part forever,
But let the wandering exile go,
My heart from thee no change can sever.

In 1834, on a visit to Washington City, Houston was asked to autograph a young girl's album, after she asked him whether he remembered her. Pen in hand, he quickly composed the following verse and wrote it in her book:

Remember thee?
Yes, lovely girl!
While faithful memory holds its seat,
Till this warm heart in dust is laid,
And this wild pulse shall cease to beat,
No matter where my bark be tost
On Life's tumultuous, stormy sea;
My anchor gone, my rudder lost,
Still, cousin, I will think of thee.

Ex-President Lamar has also composed considerable romantic poetry, such as the following, which appeared a short time ago this year. It is entitled "My Gem of Delight," and it begins:

Oh, bright is the maiden who
wakens my sighs,
No planet can equal the light of
her eyes;
Her form is elastic—her spirit
elate—
The spring of the willow is seen in
her gait;
The tones of her laughter are
mer-sounds,
And gladness is scattered wher-
ever she bounds.

However, some of Lamar poems are in a more vigorous mood. The following bitter denunciation of Mexican President Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna appeared in the August 16, 1836 issue of the Telegraph and Texas Register, which at that time was being published in Columbia, the ad interim seat of government. Santa Anna was a prisoner of Texas then, and Lamar was a strong advocate of having him shot. It is a long poem; the first and last verses are:

Back, back to they covert, thou
bloodhound of death,
There is woe in thy footstep, and
guilt in they breath;
Thou warrest with women, thou
curse of the brave,
Thy pity is blood, and thy mercy
the grave.

The ages shall curse thee, thou

thirster for gore—
The worm shall be sickened with
gnawing thy core,
The tombstone shall blush that
points to thy grave,
Thou scorn of the true, the wise,
and the brave!

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I love you Santa, but no hugs, please

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a Unicorn bike, a Barbie car, Peaches and Cream Barbie. Also I would like a Pepsi machine. Please bring my baby brother Curt a soft Teddie Bear. We've been really good kids this year. We love you Santa!
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Dear Santa,

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Age 5 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,

I want a doll crib, for Christmas and My Child. And a little piano and a jobbing soot. Have a good year.
Love, Magdalena

Dear Santa,

I want a bike please and my pony. Nursery and also A Barbie big gym set. Please bring my brother Shane a bike and turbo trax. We have tried to be pretty good kids. We love you and will leave you cookies and Sprite. Thank you.
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Dear Santa,

Hi, I hope that you have been taking care of yourself so I can see you soon. And this is what I'm wishing I'll get for Christmas; a racing track with cars. I've been trying to be a good boy. See you soon.
Love,
Daren

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Jason and me. I might have to help Jason open the box. I would like a bike—a big one. And bring Jason a big one too when he grows up.

We'll leave you cookies and chocolate with marshmallows. I Love you.
Megan Johnson
P.S. But I don't want to hug you.

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Candy. I would like a new born baby doll and a Barbie. My brother, Jeff, wants a horse, truck and a tractor.

Love,
Candy & Jeff Davis

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I've been good, Please give me toys. I want a dolly and a wagon and dishes.

Love,
Deidre Riley

Dear Santa Claus,

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Love,
Shana Foster
Grade 2 Lazbuddie

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Finnish girl attends Texico High School

Minna Malinen is an exchange student from Kavaani, Finland, who has been attending school in Texico this year.

Minna is 17 years old and the oldest of three sisters. One of her sisters is 15 and the other is 7. Her father, Seppo, is a truck driver and her mother, Lilli, is a waitress at Ross' Club in Kavaani.

Minna and her family live about three miles from their town. They are close enough that they can ride a bicycle or take the bus to town," said Minna, "but a lot of people also travel by car."

Minna said that when she first came here, she took a flight from Finland to New York. "It was very scary being all alone in a strange place and trying to catch a bus by myself in such a big city," said Minna.

In Finland, Minna attended a Linna High School. The school is large and has about 800 students. Minna graduated from there last spring.

Minna says that in Finland one doesn't have to attend high school after they complete secondary school. If they wish, they can attend a technical school.

Minna's sister is attending a technical school. There she is learning to do different kinds of hand and needle work, such as knitting, sewing and weaving. The students attend the technical school for about five months. Minna hopes to attend a technical school for awhile after her graduation. She says that she needs to learn to cook and would like to further her education in art and handwork skills.

Minna said she was very surprised to hear on television that a lot

of people in the United States are unable to read. "In my country, one can't go on to a higher grade unless they pass all their studies and are able to read," said Minna. "I think that Finland has higher education."

The courses that Minna studied are not a whole lot different from what our students study here, except that Minna says they have no typing or secretarial classes in her school. She says that they also don't have a Spanish class, but that they can choose to learn German, French or Russian.

Minna speaks three different languages, English, Swedish and German.

Minna was also surprised to find that football was such a big thing in our country. "In Finland, high school sports are no big deal," said Minna. "We have no cheerleaders, twirlers or band. And American football is so much more exciting than our soccer, basketball and volleyball in Finland. Minna says that she has run track, but that she was not that interested in sports.

One of Minna's main interest is riding horses. She has attended riding school in Kavaani. She says that she enjoyed taking her younger sister to ride at the school. "It was funny to see her ride that little fat pony she was given to ride," said Minna.

Minna said that sex education is taught in all the schools in Finland. She was surprised at the number of young girls that have become pregnant while still in high school and astonished by the ideas of marriage that the high school girls have here.

She says that in Finland the young girls like boys, but usually until their studies were completed they



Shown is Minna's graduation class from Linnan Lukio High School. The students wanted to do something different to be remembered by. The sign reads "Black Glasses and the Future is Guaranteed."

were more concerned with their education and the occupations that they were going to pursue.

"Unlike the schools here," said Minna, "students are free to study different religions and their ideas

about church in school. We are also free to voice our opinion on different matters in my country."

During her stay in Texico, Minna has been studying art, ceramics and

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Minna Malinen stands with her parents and seven year old sister Hanna on her graduation day last May in Finland.

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- 2 teaspoons sage
- 2 teaspoons chopped parsley
- freshly ground black pepper
- 3 acorn squash, cut in half and cleaned

Combine all ingredients except squash. Place mixture loosely in squash halves. Bake stuffed squash in pan covered with foil. Bake for 1 hour at 350° F. or until squash is tender.

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Minna enjoyed dragging Main

beginning painting twice a week at Eastern New Mexico University in Clovis. She has also been attending a class on portrait drawing. She says that several of the students in her class there have used her for a model and drawn her portrait.

"It was interesting to see the different portraits that they drew," said Minna. She says if she has a chance she would like to continue her art studies when she returns home.

Minna told about the school party that her school has at the end of their junior year in Finland. The students have something similar to our junior and senior prom. At the party, the juniors dress in antique or past fashion clothing to show that

they are now the oldest in their high school.

Minna told of her class trip to Sweden, which they took about a year ago. She said Sweden was a very interesting country.

Minna said that she would like to attend college when she gets to Finland, but that in her country it was very difficult to get to college. She said that one must make excellent grades and that unlike American it makes no difference what your family's income

is. She said that they may pick 100 students out of 1000 to be able to attend college. She further stated that some students were able to attend by working. In working they

earn points toward getting a college education.

Minna is also interested in music. She says that she prefers rock or soul music to other types. She also enjoys dancing. In Finland, she says she spent a lot of her leisure time at the club where her mother works and often times would meet her friends there.

Minna said that she really enjoyed going to the dances at Farwell, and that like most kids everywhere, she also enjoyed dragging main.

Minna said that kids in Finland didn't receive a drivers license until they were 18 years old and that for the first year they were only allowed to drive 40 miles an hour. After that, they could drive the speed limit.

Minna said that families in Finland were not much different than they were here. She says that attending church is a little bit different. She thinks that the churches here spend more time doing for their youth and educating them.

Minna said that farming was not much different in Finland than it is here, but that she knew that the farmers were not doing so well here and that she thought the farmers in Finland were doing much better. She said that there was not as much farming in Finland and more industry.

Minna said that she enjoyed attending the bazaar in Texico. She said that she could see a lot of the Mexican and American Indian influences in ceramics and crafts. In her country, handwork and needle

crafts are very common and make for a good business. The people there sell their needlecrafts. "Finnish people weave beautiful material," said Minna.

Minna says she has learned to enjoy many different foods since she has been here. She really likes Mexican food. She says that it is not uncommon to order a "reindeer steak," in Finland. They serve a lot of different meat according to their hunting seasons, said Minna. She thinks that the food here is spicier than that in Finland. "I love the spicy food," said Minna.

Minna said that the Finnish people celebrate their holidays a little bit different than we do. They don't celebrate halloween, but they celebrate Easter in a similar way, in that they dress in costumes and go from door to door receiving special treats. They also go Easter egg hunting.

Minna says that they celebrate Christmas like we do, except that on Dec. 24 the father of the family dresses as Santa Claus and brings the gifts directly to the children. She says that most children, like chil-

dren here, are afraid of Santa Claus.

While in Texico, Minna has stayed with two families. The first family was Ricky and Karen Morris. She stayed on their farm for about four months. She says that she liked saying on the farm and that it reminded her of her grandparents' farm and summer cottage.

While at the Morrises, Minna went to the lake with them. Minna got to water ski for the first time in her life. Minnas says that Finnish children learn to snow ski at an early age and that their first Christmas gift is usually a pair of skis. Minna says that there are many lakes in Finland and that she hopes to get to water ski again when she gets home and maybe even teach some of her friends.

Minna is now staying with James and Kathy Harding. She has been with them for about a month and will stay with them until she leaves at the end of December.

Minna says that the United States seems so big to her and that there are so many different places to visit here. She says that the land is so different in different areas, "You

can go from mountains to flat-

lands," said Minna. Minna says that she has learned to respect her own country more. "I've learned a lot of things and met so many people," said Minna.

Minna said that she had never met or talked to an Oriental person, until she came here. "Our country does not allow as many nationalities," said Minna, "but we do have black people and Finnish Gypsies there."

"People are friendly and helpful, here," said Minna. "In Europe the people think that Americans are so free that they can pretty well do as they please."

Minna says that she thinks the exchange student system is very good and that it gives students from other countries a chance to meet and learn more about people in other countries.

Minna has visited in Colorado, New Mexico and Texas since she has been here. "I would like to see more of the United States and maybe come back to study. I would also like to come back and visit my friends," said Minna.

Santa, bring dad some socks

Dear Santa,

How are you? I know you have a hard job. But please bring me a cap gun with a holster and a football helmet. How is Mrs. Santa? My dad wants some blue jeans. I want a gobot. My mom wants a new pair of shoes. My sister wants a Carebear. I want a school bag.

Love,
Clint Hamilton
Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa,

How are you? Is Mrs. Claus ok? Can I have a picture of Rudolph? I want a My child and a pogo stick and a double stroller and a Dr. Kit. What do you want me to leave you? I hope you have a safe trip. Bring mom a little statue with roller skates on. Bring dad some socks.

Love,
Mandy Helmer
Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa Claus,

How are your friends doing? How are you doing too? What is your wife's first name? Will you send me a picture of Rudolph and you and Mrs. Claus? Please I would really like it. Will you let kristi have a happy Christmas? Will you also give ma a My Child for Christmas? Will you have a safe trip? We don't want you in the hospital.

Love,
Jessica Hadley
Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus? How is Rudolph? How are you? May I have some jeans and a karate kid bandana and a lot of bandanas.

Love,
Antonio Nunez
Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Is Rudolph sick? Is the workshop busy? Can you name your deer? What do you want? I would like a new Karate Kid and a casste player.

Love,
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Dear Santa,

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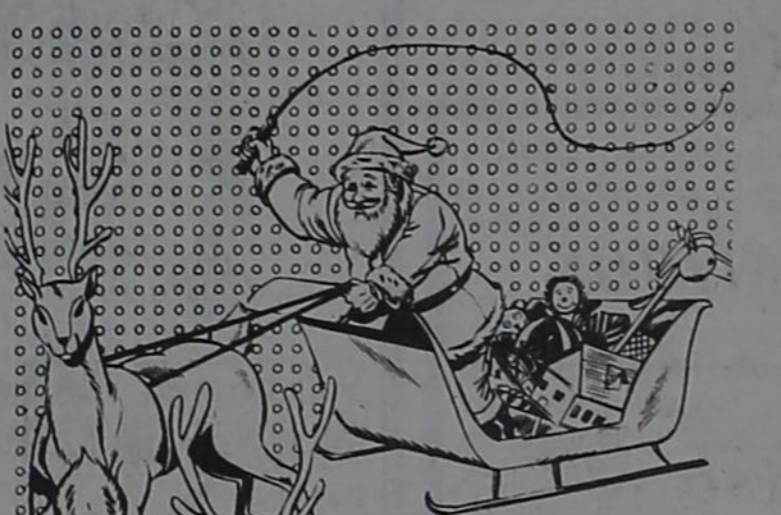
and a My Child. Please bring my mom some clothes. Bring dad some clothes too. Please bring my baby sister and my sister Vanessa a doll and my sister clothes and a radio and my brother some tapes.

Love,
Karla Anaya
Grade 2 Texico

Dear Santa Claus,


I want a ball and bat. I want a bag.

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A time not only for sharing but caring

BY JIMMY KING

Christmas is a time celebrated by families all over the world.

It is a time not only for sharing but caring.

Christmas is a time when no one should be alone. It is a time for families and friends to get together and exchange gifts.

Christmas means cold weather, and staying in most of the day sleeping like a bear.

Christmas means the beginning of a new year is very near and that summer is getting closer. It means the sounds of Christmas carols. If it snows we bring out the mittens and have snowball fights. Christmas is the smell of fresh pine trees, and pulling pine needles out of your bare feet.

Christmas is the time for staying up all night to try and find out what your presents are.

Christmas is the time for getting up on Christmas morning and sampling the foods being prepared for Christmas dinner, then stuffing your body until it almost explodes at dinner time.

That is what Christmas means to me.

BY LYNNA HUNTER

Christmas, to me, is the time to share with our families, like putting up the Christmas tree, welcoming our brothers and sisters home, and visiting our relatives' house. Christmas is the time when mom's and dad's have vacations, and the "kids" are out of school.

The serious part of Christmas' meanings, is the commemorating of Jesus Christ's birth. All churches have special services on Christmas Day and Christmas Eve. Some families like mine, read "The Birth of Jesus" from the Bible, before opening the presents. But what is real important is God gave us the people of the world, Jesus for our present.

Christmas is a lot of fun if we want it to be. We are able to see our relatives, and eat Christmas dinners. In some of our dinners, we eat: green beans, ham, black-eyed peas, fruit salad, sweet potatoes, and best of all, cherry pies with whipped cream all over it. Some people visit relatives and have another Christmas. Like me, some people go to their Grandmother's house, and have a Christmas dinner, and afterwards open more presents from aunts and uncles, Grandmas and Grandpas, and cousins.

Christmas, to me, means sharing traditions with our families, eating Christmas dinner, opening presents, and sharing all the special times God has given us. For me, this is the true meaning of Christmas.

BY LYNN HUNTER

Christmas, to me, means family tradition. My Dad always gets his vacation during Christmas holidays. My brother comes home from California for Christmas and my mom is usually busy cooking, shopping and wrapping presents.

One week before Christmas we put up the Christmas tree. Everyone chips in to help. My brother is in charge of the lights, Dad and I are usually in charge of the ornaments, and my Mom is in charge of making the hot chocolate, putting the icing on the tree, and putting the presents under the tree.

On Christmas Day our family usually gets up at 6:00 a.m., and we read the Christmas story from the bible about Jesus being born. After that we pray and thank God for the Christmas we have and the family being together. Afterwards we hand out each others presents and we

have a great time.

When we are through opening presents we clean up and pack. We pack enough clothes and things for 3 days and we go to my Grandmother's house. All of my Dad's side of the family are there and we have a "relative" Christmas. That is where we eat ham, sweet potatoes, blackeyed peas, fruit salad, pies, bread, and green peas for our Christmas dinner. Afterwards, we go into the living room and open presents.

Christmas, to me, means sharing traditions with our families, eating Christmas dinner, opening presents and sharing the special time that God has given us. To me this is the true meaning of Christmas.

BY TASHA RUCKER

Christmas means many things to me. But, the most important thing is that it is Christ's birthday. Just think, if it wasn't for Him, none of us would be able to live the way we do today. Even though it is Christmas and not Thanksgiving, we have many things to also be thankful about at Christmas.

Talking about being thankful, I am very thankful for being able to get together with all of my family, which means more to me than some people think. Since some of my family live out of town, I seldom get to see them except for maybe once during the summer and at Christmas.

There are many other things that

mean something special to me during this holiday, such as being able to give and share with others. Also, I think it is especially nice to see the smiles on all the little kids' faces during this magical time of the year. I can't wait until Christmas!

BY KAREN HORNER

To me this is what Christmas means. Christmas is a special time because we get to see family and friends. It also means getting out of school for awhile, and we can spend this time as we like.

Christmas is the day that Jesus was born, and we should give thanks for what He has given us.

It is also a happy time because we can get a tree and decorate it anyway we like. On Christmas Day everyone can get together and exchange gifts. All these things together is what Christmas means to me.

BY TODD CASH

To me the meaning of Christmas is not engaging in the giving and receiving of gifts. It's not dining on

a Christmas feast made up of a golden brown turkey with turkey dressing and hot buttery bread, fresh corn, and a bright red cranberry sauce to light up the table.

No, to me, this is not the meaning of Christmas. The true meaning of Christmas is celebrating the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ and being gathered together with family, friends, and loved-ones to share the meaning of Christmas.

It also means, to me, watching the white snow fall and blanket the ground with a smooth and shiny surface. It is also watching small snow birds flutter gracefully across the sky. It is a time for singing the favorite of our carols.

This is what the true meaning of Christmas is to me.

BY YSIDRA MARTINEZ

What Christmas means to me is to be with family and friends and to be full of joy and to be happy. Christmas means celebrating the birthday of Jesus Christ. Christmas is taking part in religious ceremonies and prayer. What Christmas means to me, most of all, is the custom of exchanging Christmas gifts and

decorating homes with holly, Christmas trees, and hanging mistletoe somewhere in the house.

Christmas means believing in Santa Claus. It means going out to the forest and picking out the greenest, freshest, and biggest tree we can find to chop down and take home to decorate it. To me, Christmas means coming home from the stores without a cent in your pocket because you have wasted all your money happily on Christmas ornaments to decorate your tree and on presents which will be going out to relatives and friends. It is the time to hand out Christmas cards, and a perfect time for sitting around drinking hot cider, or egg nog, and singing all the Christmas songs around the piano.

What Christmas means to me is giving or repairing a toy and giving it to someone who will not be getting anything for Christmas. Christmas is a time for visiting a sick or elderly person or taking baskets of food to families who will not have plenty of food to eat. What Christmas means to me on Christmas Day is to be happy and enjoy yourself until the holiday is over and then go back to work and wait for next

year's Christmas.

BY LARRY POWELL

Christmas means that there is a lot of joy in the air and happiness in the families. It also means that this is a time for giving; there should not be so much emphasis on receiving gifts.

To me Christmas means that we should also think of Jesus because this is the time we celebrate His birth. That is why this is such a special occasion for everyone to get together like they do.

When Christmas comes around, it also means that so will my family from different parts of the country. I get to see family which I only get to see during Christmas holidays. So, overall Christmas is my favorite holiday of the year.

Kalbas cited

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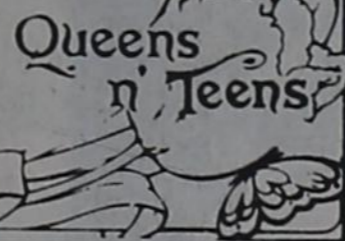
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By Kanetha Foster
KANETHA'S LAYER SALAD

1 head of lettuce, chopped
1 cup or more of chopped celery
½ cup purple onion
1 can of waterchests, sliced
1 large package of frozen English peas (or 2 cans of canned peas)
2 cups of mayonnaise
1 teaspoon of sugar
¼ teaspoon salt

Cook peas, drain and cool. Mix sugar, pepper, salt and mayonnaise and set aside.

Layer lettuce, celery, purple onions, waterchests and peas. Cover with the mayonnaise mixture, sprinkle with parmesan cheese, top with grated cheddar and grated Mozzarella cheese. Then sprinkle with more parmesan cheese. Chill and serve.

MAMO LORENE'S
PEANUT PATTIES

2½ cups sugar
¾ cup white Karo
1 cup rich milk (Half and half or Carnation or Pet milk.)
3 cups raw peanuts
Cook until forms firm ball
add: 1 stick of oleo
1 teaspoon vanilla
a few drops of red food coloring
pinch of salt

Beat until very thick, drop by spoonfuls on wax paper.

CHOCOLATE FUDGE

4½ cups sugar
1 tall can Carnation milk (12 oz.)
¼ pound oleo
Boil seven minutes - stir constantly. Remove from stove and add:
2 - 12 Oz. pkgs. chocolate chips
2 cups chopped pecans - large pieces
1 pint jar marshmallow cream
Pour on greased cake pan cookie sheet and spread out. When cooled cut into pieces. Store in a covered container. Yields approximately five pounds of candy.

By Maudie Primrose
CHRISTMAS SALAD

1 box of Jello (lime is pretty and makes it a little more tart, but any flavor can be used)
1 small package of cream cheese - Stir into the Jello while the Jello is still hot.
add to Jello after it has set up jelling
1 small can of pineapple - drained
½ cup of marachino cherries
½ cup nuts

Chill and serve.

By Ruby Billingsley
COOL SALAD

16 large marshmallows
1 No. 2 can of chunky pineapple
1 large package of cream cheese
1 No. 2 can of fruit cocktail, drained
½ cup of chopped nuts
Heat the juice of the pineapple, then add the cheese and the 16 marshmallows and heat on low heat until the cheese and the marshmallows have melted. Beat the mixture until creamy and add the pineapple, ½ cup of chopped nuts and one can of fruit cocktail, drained well. Chill and serve.

By Lucretia Foster
RISOTTA

1 cup uncooked rice
2 Tbs. butter, margarine or oil
1 cup chopped onion
½ cup diced green pepper
2 cups chicken broth*
1 tsp. salt
1 can (4 oz.) mushrooms, drained
½ cup grated Parmesan cheese
In a 2 to 3 quart saucepan, cook rice in butter until it is golden in color. Add onions and green pepper. Continue cooking 2 or 3 minutes, stirring constantly to prevent over browning. Add chicken broth, salt, and mushrooms. Heat to boiling; stir. Reduce heat, cover and simmer 15 minutes or until rice is tender and liquid is absorbed. Remove from heat. Toss lightly with Parmesan cheese. Makes 6 servings.

*Use 2 tablespoons less of the chicken broth, for drier, fluffier rice. Serve rice with chicken or pork chops.

BY LOUISE FOSTER

By Louise Foster
CASHEW NUT DRESSING

¼ cup butter or oleo
1 can 10½ oz. condensed chicken broth
½ cup water
1 cup chopped onions
1 cup chopped celery
¼ cup butter or oleo
1 package, 7 ounce cornbread stuffing, Pepperidge Farm
1 package, 8 ounce herb seasoned stuffing
1 cup broken cashew nuts

Heat ¼ cup butter in the broth and water until melted. Cook onions and

celery in the remaining butter until tender. Combine all ingredients; Toss lightly; Bake 350°, or stuff turkey. Garnish with spiced apple rings if desired. Makes enough for 12 to 16 pound turkey.

NADEAN'S CARROTS

2 pounds carrots sliced cooked and drained.
1 cup sugar
¾ cup vinegar
½ cup oil
1 can tomato soup
½ teaspoon pepper
1 teaspoon each, mustard, Worcestershire Sauce, salt
1 green pepper
1 onion

Toss and chill.

SHIFT CAKE

First Mixture
Sift Together:
2 cups flour
2 cups sugar
dash salt
Second Mixture:
Bring to a rolling boil:
4 Tablespoons cocoa
1 stick oleo
1 cup water
½ cup shortening
Third Mixture:
Add to combined first and second mixtures:
½ cup buttermilk
1 teaspoon soda
2 eggs
Pour into greased and floured 8x11 pan. Bake 30 to 45 minutes at 400°. ICING: bring to a rolling boil:
6 Tablespoons milk
4 tablespoons cocoa
1 stick oleo
Sift: 1 box of powdered sugar
Add, with sugar to first mixture;
¼ cup chopped nuts
1 tsp. vanilla.

By Janis and Lois Billingsley
CHEESE SOUP

1 can cream of cheese soup
½ cup minced carrots
¾ cup minced celery
2 cups chicken broth
2 Tablespoons minced onion
3 Tablespoons butter or oleo
¼ cup plus 1 Tablespoon flour
2 cups milk
½ pound American cheese
Combine first three ingredients in a small sauce pan. Simmer 10 minutes or until the vegetables are tender. Saute' onion in butter in a medium saucepan. Add flour stir-

ring well. Cook one minute stirring constantly. Gradually add milk and chicken broth mixture cook over medium heat until thickened and bubbly stirring constantly. Add cheese and stir until melted.

Sales tax figures given

Here are the latest sales tax totals from the state for the three months ending Dec. 5:

Parmer County - \$8,832.29, down from \$9,955.88 for the same period last year; Farwell - \$1,908.12, up from \$1,790.06; Bovina, \$1,230.81, down from \$1,310.10; and Friona, \$5,693.36, down from \$6,855.72.

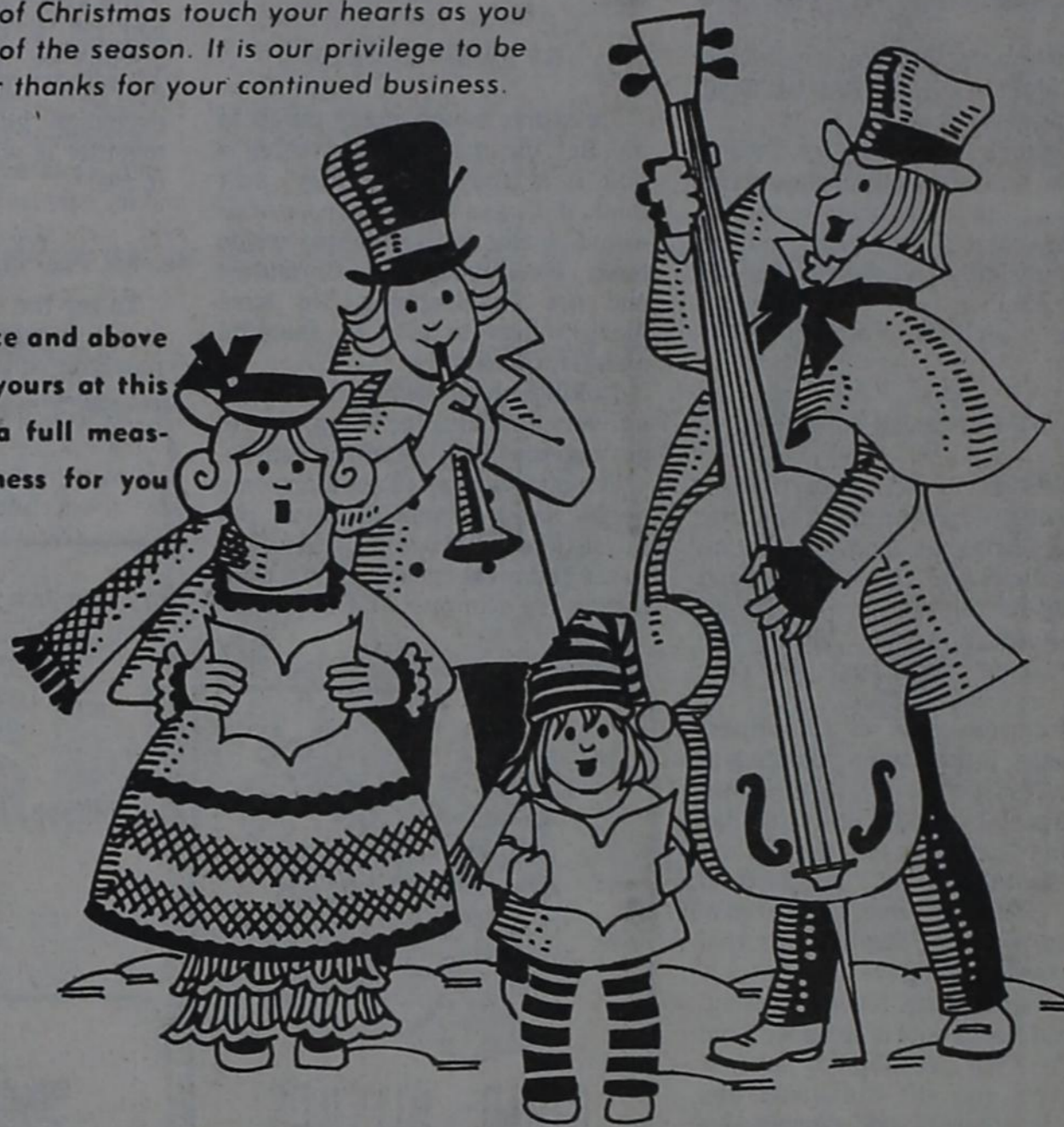
Here's the 1986 payments to date:

Parmer County - \$151,745.30, down from \$162,448.38 - down 6.59 percent; Farwell - \$26,187.78, down from \$27,381.02 - down 4.36 percent; Bovina - \$20,949.72, down from \$23,920.50 - down 12.32 percent; and Friona - \$104,607.80, down from \$111,146.86 - down 5.88 percent.

Joy at Christmas

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Here's a recipe for Pasoli

By Maudie Primrose
FRENCH COCONUT PIE

2 large or 3 small eggs lightly beaten.
Combine and add:
½ cup sugar
1 Tablespoon flour
Beat together and add:
Add to egg mixture, 1 cup Karo
1 can Angel Flake Coconut
1 can hot green chilies
½ stick oleo
Beat altogether and pour into an unbaked pie shell. Bake at 350° for 30 to 40 minutes.

OSGOOD PIE

1½ cups sugar
2-4 Tablespoons butter
4 large eggs
2 tablespoons white vinegar
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup raisins
Beat eggs separately. Blend butter and sugar, add eggs and blend. Add vinegar, vanilla, nuts and raisins. Pour into unbaked pie shell. Bake at 300° for 40 minutes.

MAUDIE'S PECAN PIE

3 Tablespoons butter
¾ cup light brown sugar
¾ cup corn syrup
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 Tablespoons milk
3 eggs
1 cup chopped pecans
ninch of salt

Cream butter, sugar, salt together. Add eggs, one at a time with the mixer still going. Blend all other ingredients altogether. Pour in an unbaked pie shell and bake at 400° for 30-40 minutes.

By Joey Fly
PASOLI

2 pounds diced pork
2 pounds died beef
1 package, Pasoli Corn or four cans of hominy
2 large onions
1 No. 2 can of tomatoes
1 can hot green chilies
Salt and pepper, cover well with water and cook for 4 to 5 hours or until meat is tender and done. Make a half recipe for a regular meal.

By Glenda Davis Bryan

MARINATED CARROTS

Cut up and cook 2 lbs. carrots in salted water; cool.
Combine:
1 medium onion, chopped
1 green pepper, chopped
1 can tomato soup
½ cup salad oil
¾ cup sugar
¼ cup vinegar
1 tsp. salt
½ tsp. pepper
1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
1 tsp. prepared mustard
1 tsp. celery seed
1 tsp. basil

Refrigerate at least 12 hours.

SWEET AND SOUR MEATBALLS

2 lbs. lean ground beef
1 cup dry bread crumbs
½ cup milk
4 Tbsp. finely chopped onion
2 tsp. salt
1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
2 eggs

Mix together; shape into 1½ inch balls. Brown in skillet. Remove.

Sauce:
1 cup packed brown sugar
2 Tbsp. cornstarch
2 cans- 13¼ oz. pineapple chunks
¾ cup vinegar
2 Tbsp. soy sauce
2 small green peppers

Mix brown sugar and cornstarch in skillet. Stir in pineapple (with syrup), vinegar, soy sauce. Heat to boiling, stirring constantly, then reduce heat. Add meatballs and green pepper. Cover; simmer, stirring occasionally, for 15 minutes. Serve over rice.

By Sandra Buck

BEEF ROLL-UPS

1½ cups herb-seasoned stuffing
1½ lbs. thinly sliced round steak (¼ inch thick) or 6 minute steaks
2 Tbsp. shortening
1 can cream of mushroom soup
¼ to ½ cup water

Prepare stuffing as directed on package. Cut steak into six pieces

(6x4 inches); pound. Place about ¼ cup stuffing near center of each piece of steak. Starting at narrow end, roll up. Tuck in ends; fasten with toothpicks or skewers. In skillet, brown roll-ups in shortening; pour off fat. Stir in soup and water. Cover; cook over low heat one hour or until done. Stir occasionally.



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Jesus died on the cross for our sins

BY BYRON MARTIN

To me Christmas is a time to be with my family. We all get together and exchange presents. We usually have about four different holidays during Christmas. I have Christmas with my mom, dad, and different grandparents. I get mixed up going everywhere.

I also like Christmas because I'm out of school. School is all right, but sometimes I get tired of it. I hate semester exams. I don't know why they make us take them before Christmas. I really get tired of school before Christmas. It takes "forever" during the last two weeks of school before Christmas for our vacation to begin.

Christmas is also the first real sign of winter. There is something about winter that gives me a good feeling. There must be something in the air that makes me go wild. I like it when it snows around Christmas. Sometimes I wish it would snow four feet, and we could have a month off from school. Then we could ride three-wheelers for a month in the snow.

Even though Christmas has a lot of hassles, it is a fun time of year. I wouldn't miss it for almost anything.

BY RAE L. AUTREY

To me, Christmas means a time to give and a time to love. It also means a time to be happy and joyful. It's a time to be grateful and for all that God gave me. It's also a time for seeing all of my family.

Christmas also means opening the presents under the tree and loving all of them. Opening the presents and enjoying them is a fun time at Christmas. Thinking of all of my family, going out and buying them all presents is a very important time at Christmas.

This wonderful holiday also means a time to sing Christmas carols such as, "Silent Night," and "Joy to the World." It is a time to sing because you are happy and not feeling lonely and frustrated. Love is flowing around the whole world during Christmas. Christmas is a very loving holiday. Everyone tries to share with someone else.

Christmas also means remembering the birth of Jesus Christ. That is why we have Christmas. Jesus loved us so much He gave us a very wonderful present.

That's what Christmas means to me.

BY SHANA FOREMAN

This is what Christmas means to me. Christmas is very special to me because we can see friends or relatives we haven't seen in a long time. We also get a short vacation from school to spend with our friends and relatives.

Christmas also means a special time for families to get together and give each other gifts.

Also during this time of celebration we should remember Jesus's birthday.

All this is what Christmas means to me.

BY ESPERANZA ESTRADA

Christmas means that we get out of school, go visit relatives, and celebrate by giving each other presents.

Christmas is a Christian festival commemorating the birth of Jesus Christ. All Christian churches observe the birth of Jesus on December 25th. On this day most people do not have to work, and the families get together and celebrate. They sing songs as they open their gifts. Some of these songs are "Silent Night," "Joy to the World," "O' Little Town of Bethlehem," and many more.

On this day snow is perfect for the places lucky enough to have it. With all that snow outside the houses, everyone may build snowmen. This is a decoration for the outside of houses. Most of the little kids open their gifts on Christmas Eve. While others open them on Christmas morning.

This holiday is when most everybody puts a Christmas tree in their home and decorates it with different kinds of ornaments. There are lights on some of the houses and they represent happiness with the families. On Christmas night, we celebrate the resurrection of Christ at our churches. Christmas is a time for peace, joy, and relaxation.

BY WALTER WILHITE

Christmas means...having members of the family to come over, sharing gifts with others, making a cake to share with the family during Christmas night, cooking a turkey dinner for the main course, drinking egg nog before dinner and playing games until dinner is ready.

Christmas means...getting out of school for a few weeks and having a chance to stay home and eat, going

to the store to buy gifts for everyone in the family, watching the snow fall from the sky, then waiting an hour or two to go outside to make a snowman, telling a friend to come over to have snow ball fights until we get tired, renting movies and watching them until 11:00 p.m.

Then on Christmas Day I start eating the turkey then having dessert. Next opening presents to see what everyone got. Then finally opening yours to see what you got. After we have done that I get the camera and take pictures of the family opening their presents. Then we look at the pictures and start laughing at what we look like. After that night, morning comes and I had to clean up the wrapping paper that everybody left on the floor. After I pick it all up, everything comes back to normal.

LESLEY COX

Christmas means getting presents, and having friends and family come over.

I think Christmas has lots of more detail than just little things like those. It means having friends and family to come over to share the joy of Christmas Day or Christmas Eve.

The best part about Christmas is getting out of school for Christmas vacation.

The worst time of Christmas is having to cook the dinner, desserts, and appetizers. It is good after it is all cooked.

JENNIFER WILLIAMS

When I think of Christmas, I first think of the snow on the ground, Christmas trees, and all of the presents and gifts. But, of course, that's not all of it. Christmas celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ. This means a lot to me because he is very special in my life. I am so thankful for the many things He has done for me.

Christmas is a time to visit with my relatives and remember all the great times we have had in the past. It is a time to give and receive gifts to and from our family and friends, but taking time to still remember the needy, families. I also love to see all of the decorated Christmas trees and the bright, colorful lights around the houses.

To me, Christmas is a time to have fun. We get to go Christmas caroling and sing all of my favorite Christmas songs. I love to sit near

the warm fireplace on a cold, winter day, and roast marshmallows over the fire. I always look forward to going on a vacation to the mountains and playing in the snow since we don't get much snow here at Texico. I always remember Santa Claus and the reindeer stories that my grandma and granddad told me when I was young, and the mornings of Christmas Days in the past when I woke up seeing all of the presents

that Santa brought until I finally found out "Santa" was my parents. Christmas is a great holiday to look forward to because of the purpose it celebrates.

BY GERRY WHITENER

What does Christmas mean to me? Well, it means a lot of things in

particular, such as knowing the real reason why we even have Christmas. It's because Jesus was born and died on the cross for our sins. Without him, we wouldn't have Christmas. I'm very thankful for Christmas. It's an excellent time to be with friends and relatives in the comfort of your own home to exchange gifts, sing Christmas carols, and to spread the Christmas cheer.

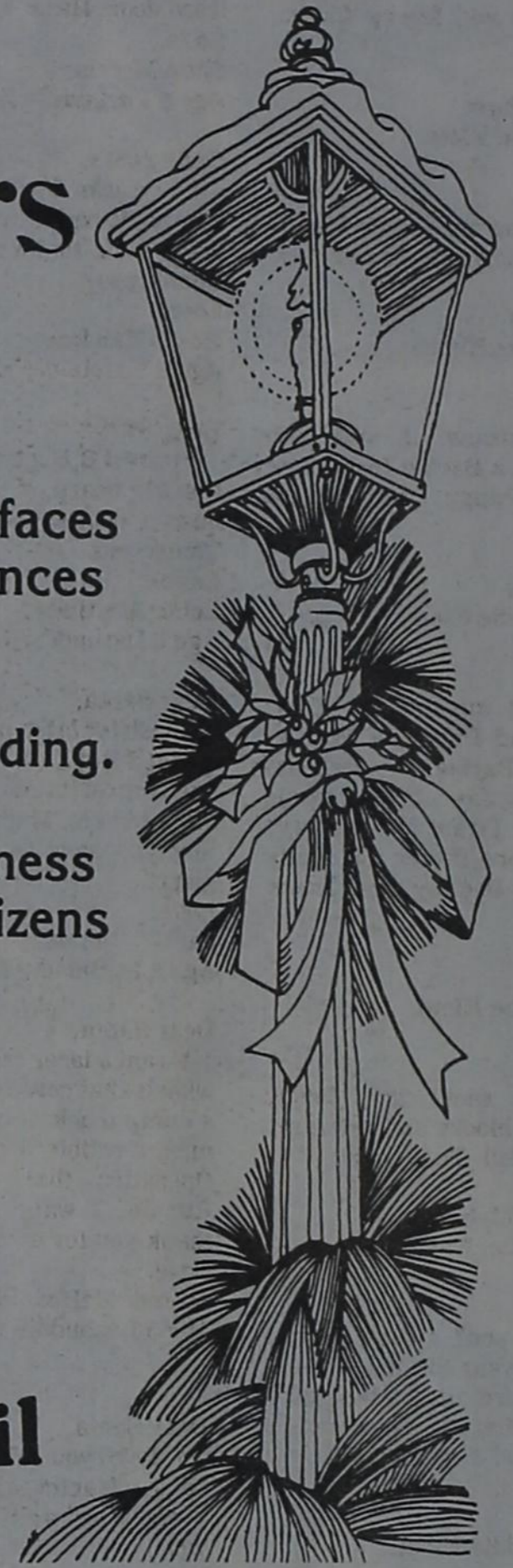
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Sherry Willis
Age 5 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
Hi! Please bring me a Teddy Ruxpin, a race car, a stuffed bear, a little gumball machine, and that's all. Thank you and Merry Christmas!
Love,
Johnny Willingham
Age 5 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
Hi Please bring me a skate board, a bike, and that's all. Thank you.
Love,
Ricky Williams
Age 5 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! I wish for Teddy Ruxpin, a Barbie Doll, Care Bear, Pound Puppy, and a Baby Talk.
Love,
Francis Vargas
Age 5 - Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Baby Talk, Newborn Pound Puppy, a Poppel, Magic Moves Barbie, Tenderheart Bear, and bring Jay a talking birdie and a monster. I want Mom to have six roses and one flower for daddy and a bone for Oso my dog. Thank you!
Love,
Shena Seaton
Age 5 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
Hi! I want race cars, Teddy Ruxpin, some blocks and bring my sister a little doll. Thank you.
Love,
Brandon Randolph
Age 5 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
Hi how are you? I have been a good girl this year for Christmas I want a Big Bird that talks, snow cone maker that's a snowman, a coke maker and that's all.
Love,
Kia Morris
Age 6 - Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
Hi and Merry Christmas! I want

Teddy Ruxpin, B.B. gun, electric train, that glows in the dark, and a tent. I have been a good boy. Thank you,
Love,
Josh Morris
Age 5 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
Hi! For Christmas I want lazer tag, walkie talkie, remote control car a telephone that has characters that talk to you, and clothes. I will leave cookies and milk for you at the front door. Have a safe trip.
Love,
Cade Morris
Age 6 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
I love you. For Christmas I want Teddy Ruxpin, a Pound Puppy, Baby Talk, that's all. Thank you.
Love,
Rosie Mendoza
Age 6 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
I want a B.B. gun, a GoBot, a bike, a skate board, a telephone. I have been a pretty good boy this year. Thank you.
Love,
Louie Martinez
Age 5 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
I wish for lazer tag, Godzilla, King Kong, a Big Foot that you can sit in and control its movement, Slime oil and a bucket. Thank you for the toys that you gave to all the boys and girls.
Love,
Jacoby Jennings
Age 6 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
I want a lazer tag, pickup that has wheels that come off, a stuffed dog, a dump truck, a book about Christmas, a rabbit, a game thats called Operation, that's all, and Teddy Ruxpin. I want to say hello and thank you for everything.
Love,
Joahua McDonald
Age 5 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please bring me a baby, a tractor, a plow, a grain cart, a combine, and that's all. Thank you.
Love,
Brandon Foster
Age 5 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
I love you! For Christmas bring me an Operation game, a dart gun, a little toy for my baby brother and some race cars for me. That's all. Thank you.
Love,
Eddie Joe Hodges
Age 5 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
I want a Kool Aide maker, Baby Talk, a radio, and thats all. I will leave cookies and milk for you on the bar.
Love,
Holly Engelking
Age 5 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
Hi! I want a Twinkle Barbie, a Rainbow Brite, Teddy Ruxpin, a talking bird, a book about Santa Claus. Bring my sister a Pound Puppy, my brother some keys. Thank you!
Love,
Becky Cantu
Age 5 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! I wish I had an army gun, boxing gloves, a rainbow bazooka and my own cards. Bring my baby sister a rattle, my middle sister crayons, my Mom a necklace and Dad a belt. That's all.
Love,
Seth Black
Age 5 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
I want a Mask car, a black remote control car, Space man, Perions, a stomper and a bike with no training wheels. Merry Christmas!
Love,
Kyle Autry
Age 5 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
Hi! Please bring me a remote control car that makes sharp turns and a go-bot called Optimist Prime, a brown car that goes around by itself, and a play toy Santa Claus. Bring my sister Amy a pony with blinking eyes, and bring Marsha tapes, and bring my twin brother Kyle an Optimist Prime so he'll be happy too. Thank you and I love you.
Love,
Kevin Autry
Age 5 Lazbuddie Elem.

Dear Santa,
Monday is my birthday and I'm going to see you. I want to sit on your lap.

Love,
Libby Wilkerson
Grade 2 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Poppel and a Cabbage Patch Kid. I want a friend and a waterbed. I have been good. I love you.
Love,
Janis Dawn Hernandez
Grade 2 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I want a Soft pony. And I want a

jem doll. I want a pony that has diamond eyes. I want a pony house. I want a baby pony. I want a big sea pony. I want a jewelry box.
Love,
Amy Autry
Grade 2 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa Claus,
I believe in you. Please give me some cars. Thank you for the gifts last year. I have been good. And please give me an Intendo computer.
Love,

Blake Mimms
Grade 2 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
I want a Casio Keyboard, a lot of snow, a chemistry set, a remote control coastguard boat, and some pants. Have a very merry hot Christmas this year.
Your good boy,
Jody Capp
Grade 5 Lazbuddie
P.S. A mini basketball called the Shadow!

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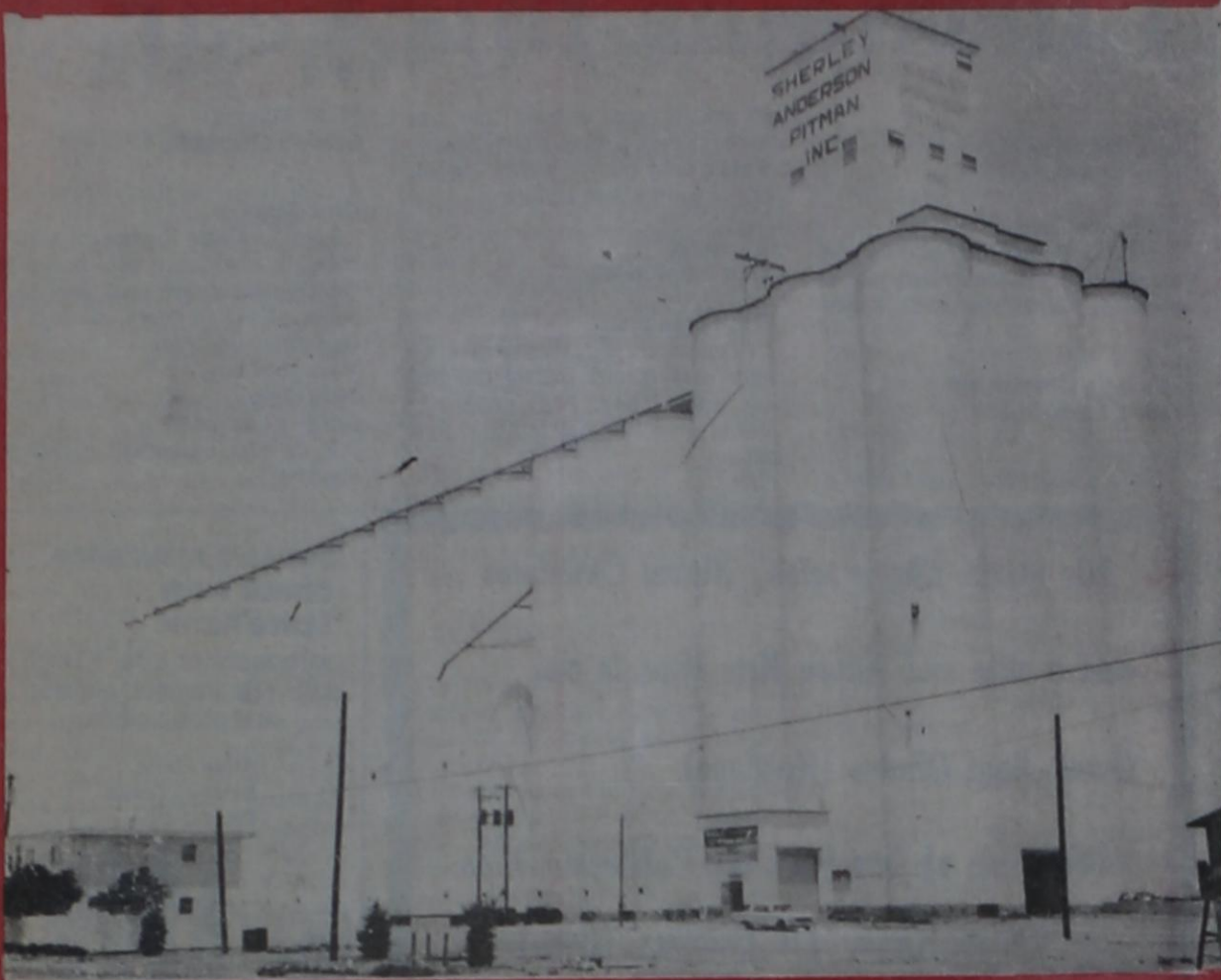
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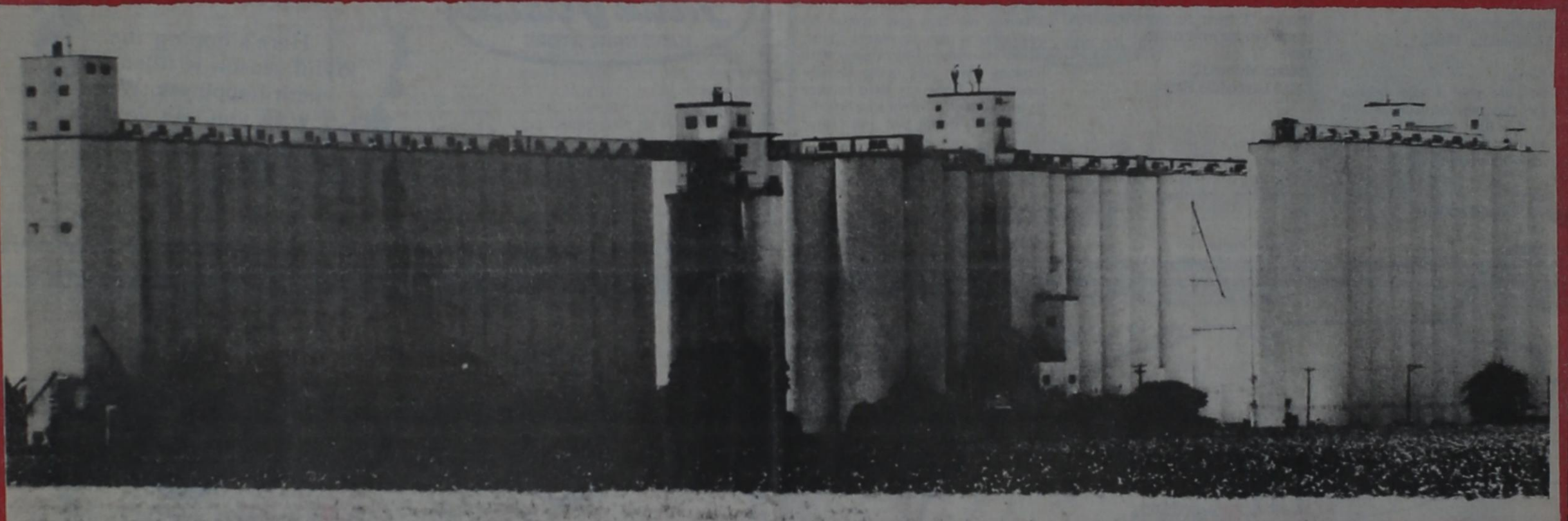
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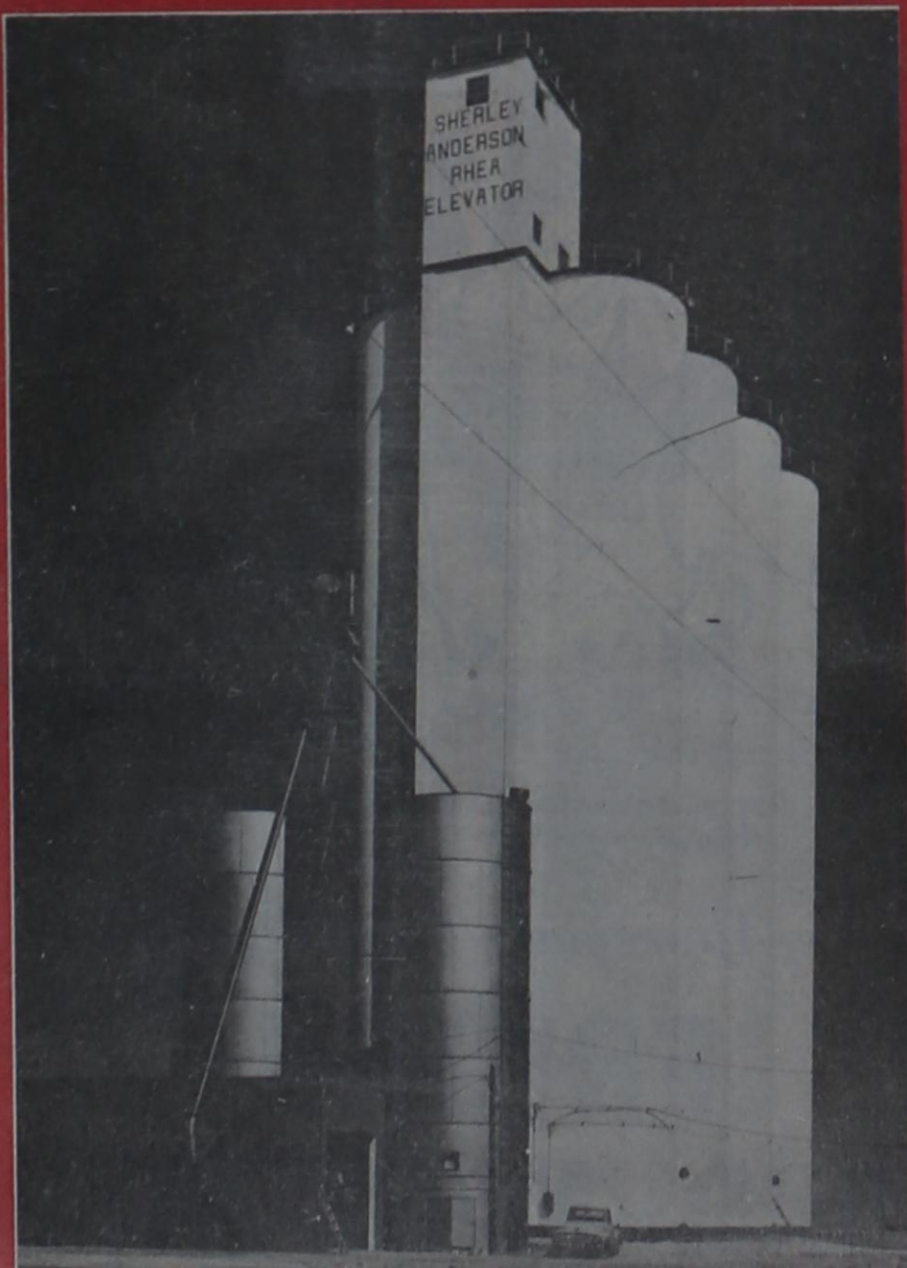
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