



and A Happy New Year

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Kate's Korner

By Katie Burleson

The entire staff at The Baird Star extends their Christmas Greetings to you and your family. It has been our pleasure to serve you through this news media, as your home-town newspaper, during the past year. With sincere appreciation of your friendship and support, may we wish for you a coming year of continued blessings.

May we ask for your continued support for this newspaper throughout this New Year, whether it be in news writing or advertising, let us be of service to you.

A special thank you is extended to the merchants who we have served in advertising. They have sought to support this newspaper and build to the foundation that all newspaper need in order to exist. Our appreciation is extended to them, and we look forward to serving them throughout the coming year.

In a happy spirit of a real old fashioned Christmas, we wish for you and your family a holiday season and a coming year of good cheer and good fellowship. To you, our friends throughout this area, and to the Bairdites located in all parts of the country, we hope for you all a holiday of good health and true blessings.

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Sometimes we find ourselves wondering if there are honest people left in our country. Well to give you proof that there are, here is one example. Mr. and Mrs. Jon E. Hardwick and daughter, Crecia, stopped by Longhorn Caverns on their trip to Austin recently. While at the caverns the Hardwicks made purchases of \$8.45. A few days later, they received a letter with a dollar bill clipped to the top, and in part, this is what the letter said:

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Hardwick:
You had no more than drove away, when it came to me that I had made an error in your bill. Your bill came to \$7.45 instead of \$8.45, so I am enclosing a one dollar over charged.

Hope you enjoyed your trip to Austin and the tour of the Caverns. Hoping for you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,
H. O. Cash
Mr. Cash is a brother of L. C. Cash of Baird.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM 1968

Congressman Omar Burleson attends ground-breaking ceremony at Shady Oaks Recreation Inc. on cold January day. Joined by Mayor Lynn Ault of Baird and Mayor G. E. Eager of Clyde, Shady Oaks President and Directors, dedicated the \$150,000 project, to be built halfway between Baird and Clyde.

Candidates pour in for names on May 4 ballot. Four men had announced for the place of Commissioner of Precinct 1, by January 12. The races became crowded as seven men entered the race before the deadline. Other interesting races progressing at the same time were: race for Sheriff of Callahan County, State Representative from 53rd District, and for Constable of Precinct 1.

James Eubanks was elected to Directorship of the First National Bank of Baird. Employee of the bank since 1948, Eubanks was promoted to Assistant Cashier in 1955, and to Cashier in 1965.

The Baird Bearettes capture their 4th 10-A Championship by defeating Albany 53-47. They ended the regular season with a 17-10 record, with a district record of 7-1.

Rodeo parade termed one of the best. First time in the history of the Callahan County Sheriff's Posse Rodeo that it was postponed because of weather conditions. Leonna Burleson, 14 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Burleson, was crowned 1968 Rodeo Queen.

Two Callahan County teachers retire after many years of teaching. Miss Iadore Grimes completes her 43rd year, of which 32 of these years were spent as a member of Baird School Faculty. Mrs. Roland Nichols completed her 30th year of teaching in Texas Public Schools. Both ladies are well-known throughout Callahan County.

2nd Democratic Primary held Saturday, June 1, ended long-awaited fate of candidates. Irvin Corn took the place for Commissioner Prec. 1, Grayson Miller was elected Sheriff and Burke Musgrove for State Representative.

John Wright moves to manager's home as opening date draws near for Shady Oaks. Wright is a golf pro, and was formerly at Dyses Air Force Base, Abilene Country Club and Pendaris Lodge, Roelada, N. M.

Baird School Board hires new faculty members: Jon Tate, Supt.; Bill Gunn, High School Principal; Bill Denman, Elem. Principal; Kenneth Koon, Ken-

eth Elliott, Peggy Harnage, Ollie Bulls and Winfred Shipp.

Shady Oaks schedules grand opening and open house, August 4th. Hosting the day's events were members of the Baird Chamber of Commerce. Master of ceremonies was James Paul Shanks and guest speaker was Rep. Burke Musgrove of Breckenridge.

Approximately 350 people attended the long awaited opening of the \$150,000 Shady Oaks.

Baird Bears won their first football game in three years, laying it on Santa Anna 26-6. The game was played on Friday the 13th, which resulted in late Friday night celebrations by students and fans.

A. E. Dyer Jr. takes oath of office as Judge of Callahan County. Dyer was elected to the office in the Nov. 5th General Election, to fill the unexpired term of the late Judge Roy Gilbreath. County Attorney James Paul Shanks presided over the swearing-in ceremonies in the courthouse.

Winter sets in early as first snow falls November 8th, with daage being done to shrubs and damage being done to shrubs and trees. Baird merchants begin Christmas Bonus Days as early Christmas shoppers begin to check down their gift lists.

'Twas the Night Before Deadline

'Twas the night before deadline and all through the shop
We worked and we worked, we never dared stop.

The editor wrote and the proofreader read,
No visions of sugar plums danced through their heads.

For the task now at hand was to do what they could
To create a greeting that expressed what it should.

The typewriters clicked and the linotype too,
The press was a-roaring - the deadline was due.

When all of a sudden, there arose such a clatter
The publisher came to see what was the matter.

'Twas only the folder, but lo and behold!
Quick as a wink, he got it to fold.

And with stamping and wrapping all under way
To the mail we will go before break of day.

So out goes our message of holiday cheer -
Merry Christmas to all, and a Happy New Year.

-Written by Star Staff Member

COMMUNITY GREETES JOYFUL CHRISTMAS FOR YEAR 1968

Throughout this community, the Christmas spirit finds expression, as once again, people are proving that this happiest of holidays is a time of tradition. A modern Christmas, just like a good old-fashioned one, calls for gatherings of family and friends, with much merriment, fun and feasting. Gifts and Santa Claus express the mood of the season, especially for the youngsters. Trees and other decorations, music and song, light and laughter set the scene. As a Christian holy day, celebrated in church services and private devotions, Christmas glows with the spirit of good will, and "peace and good will" is the wish and prayer, for all mankind.

All of these traditions of Christmas are wrapped up in one. The true spirit of Christmas is most happily expressed in the exchange of greetings. "Have a Merry Christmas." That says it all—the heartfelt hope for good things for others, the good feeling that prevails, the happiness of the season rising above problems and crises, the wish to give and to share all the holiday joys and blessings. As a special custom that symbolizes the spirit of Christmas, the exchange of greetings takes many forms. "Merry Christmas" is said person to person, with smiles of gladness, wherever friends and family meet. "Merry Christmas" is the message of millions of greeting cards which travel across the miles. And "Merry Christmas" is the theme of today's edition of this newspaper, in which businessmen of the community offer their special greetings and good wishes, their words of appreciation to patrons and friends.

Stock Show To Be Held January 10-11

The Callahan County Stock Show will be held January 10 and 11 in the county show barn north of Cross Plains. Numerous preparations are being made at this time for another successful show this year. Boys and girls from all over the county will participate, in showing their selected projects, which include members from area FFA Chapters and 4-H Clubs.

Other shows coming up are to be held in Abilene, Ft. Worth and Houston.

Most Stores To Take Two-Day Holiday

Most businesses in Baird will be closed Christmas Day, Dec. 25 and Thursday, Dec. 26. You are urged to conduct your business and shopping in the early part of the week.

Most of the merchants decided to take two days off for Christmas since Dec. 25 falls in the middle of the week.

FORMER RESIDENT DIES

Word was received by Bob Norrell from Mrs. Roy G. Thomas of Ft. Worth informing him and their other Baird friends of the death of her husband, Roy G. Thomas; on November 11. Mr. Thomas was a former businessman in Baird and operated an abstract office where the Russell-Surles Abstract office is now located.

Rockey Opens Rocky Motors

An announcement was made December 21st, that Frazer Ford Co. will no longer operate the Ford dealership in Baird. Glenn Rockey, who has been in the automobile business in Baird since 1949, will re-open the facilities and offer complete automotive service for all makes of vehicles.

The facilities, located at the same location at 201 East 4th Street in Baird, will open Dec. 27th. Lee Roy Brooker will continue as manager of the service department. Terrell Meeks will also be employed at the new business.

Glenn Rockey would like to invite all the old customers, and new ones, to come by and let the serve your automotive needs. The new business has received the name of Rocky Motors.

December 20th Bonus Winners

The December 20th Bonus Drawing Winners are the following: Lois Price, Marcia Voights, Wilburn Carrioco, Madison Montgomery, Melba Defoeses, Tom Morgan and Connie Eubanks.

Others were David Strickland, Jimmy Smith, Pete Neeb, Bill Windham, and Ronnie Abernathy.

The remaining drawings are scheduled for Saturday, December 21, and the last one for this year, December 24, which is Christmas Eve.



The above photo pictures a group of men from all over Callahan County, who left for World War I. The picture was taken September 21, 1917, in front of the office of the late Judge Ben L. Russell, Sr. The building was located where the Callahan Abstract and Young and Young offices are now located, on Market Street. Identification of most of these men has been made and is on record at the office of C. O. Fleming, Veterans County Service Officer.

CHRISTMAS CHEER

May the light of Christmas shine on you and your loved ones. May its bright warmth fill each day. We appreciate your loyalty!



FREDA'S DRESS SHOP

Glad Tidings

At Christmas, greetings and wishes for the gift of happiness during the holiday season. Thanks for the past patronage!



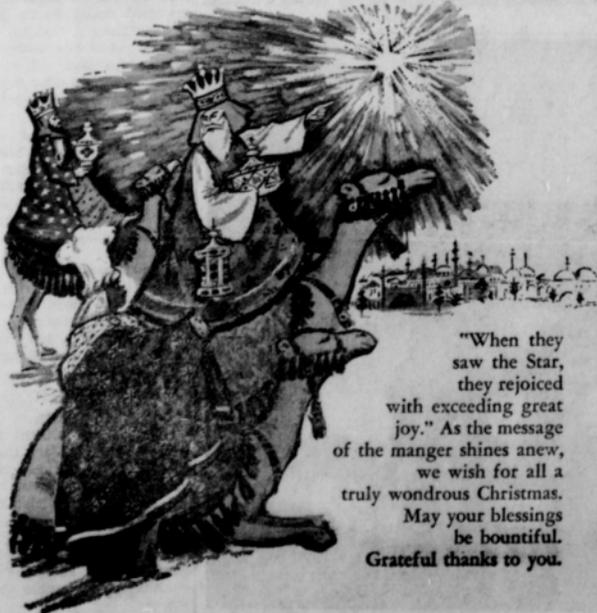
TKT BEAUTY BAR



Silent Night May the spirit of that night, on which the Saviour was born, shine upon you in this Christmas season. Grateful thanks for your continued good will.

EVANS CLINIC

BLESSINGS OF CHRISTMAS



"When they saw the Star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy." As the message of the manger shines anew, we wish for all a truly wondrous Christmas. May your blessings be bountiful. Grateful thanks to you.

McELROY'S - Baird

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
May I have some noble knights, and some hot wheels and an M16 and some waiky talkeys and some clothes?
Love,
Harold King

Dear Santa,
This is what I want for Christmas. I want Hot Wheels, a football, a baseball glove and a set of match-box toys.
Love,
Bill Earp

Dear Santa,
I am a seven year old boy. I have four brothers and a sister. For Christmas we would like to have a wagon, basketball, and a big truck for Chris and Davy. A radio for Ricky, a golf bay for Andy, a felt hat for Danny and a tape-recorder for Cindy. We will try to be good. I would like some hot wheels too.
Love,
Chris Vestal

Dear Santa,
How are you? I want a doll for Christmas. Please bring my cousin a doll, too. I would also like some games, one of them is Ka-Boom. My sister would like a clock for her room. Bring the other children gifts too. I have been a good girl.
Love,
Jan Higgins

Dear Santa,
My name is Dana. I am 7 years old. Please get me Tippy-Toes and a pair of green boots and a talking Barbie. My brother's name is Brett. He is five year old. Please get him a bike and a work bench.
I love you Santa.
Love,
Dana Jennings

Dear Santa,
May I have some walkey talkeys, some guns and M.16, some clothes, a race track, a radio and a tape recorder?
Love,
Kerry Skinner

Dear Santa,
May I have a talking Mrs. Beasley, a Bible, a camera, and some more for my Suzy Home-maker set.
Love,
Ladean Walker
P S. I want leotards too. One pair plain and one pair fishnet.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I would like a major mattmason set. Please bring me some large drawing paper and a tent, too. Please remember all the other children. My brothers would like something too. One would like a horse to sleep with. The other one would like a car.
Love,
Cy Clark

Symbols of the holiday are as various as joy and peace. All mean the spirit of Christmas. Hearty thanks!



We wish you a Merry Christmas!

MODERN SHOE SHOP

Hoot and Beulah Allphin

Silent Night,



Holy Night

In the awesome stillness of that Holy Night, the Christ Child was born.

May the true meaning of

Christmas fill your heart and home!

PIONEER LODGE



MERRY CHRISTMAS

May this holiday season bestow on you every blessing and happiness. Please accept our best wishes, and may we express our gratitude to you for your loyal patronage. Thank you!

CITY DRUG



Merry Christmas

Christmas is in the air everywhere! Family and friends join to rejoice, trees are being trimmed, carols are sung, gifts exchanged, bells ring out a merry tune and hearts are filled with peaceful happiness. These are the very special joys of the season. May each and every one be yours. And we add our grateful thanks as we wish you a Merry Christmas.

BAIRD MUNICIPAL LIGHT PLANT



THOMPSON GROCERY

It's Christmas!
It's that time of year when Santa's gifts are given out. And when best wishes for a happy holiday are given out to one and all. Thanks for your patronage!

THREE OIL PROJECTS DUE IN CALLAHAN COUNTY

Teton Petroleum Corp. of Irving staked a wildcat location three miles northeast of Clyde.

No. 2 Nellie Griffin is 1,400 feet from the north line and 990 feet from the west lines of Section 87, BBB&C Survey, on a 333.5 acre lease. It is 1,700 feet southeast of Teton No. 1 Griffin, a dry hole.

Proposed depth is 1,700 feet to test the King.

G. B. Scallon filed for permit to drill No. 1 W. C. Price, a wildcat, eight miles south of Putnam.

Drill site is 2,200 feet from the south line and 2,200 feet from the west line of Alfred Clements Survey 1. This is 800 feet from the south line and 2,200 feet from the west line of a 153

acre lease. It will be a 580-foot cable tool project.

Laco Oil Co. of Abilene will drill No. 2-A Blain Odom seven miles south of Clyde in regular field.

Location is 1,581 feet from the north line and 1,416 feet from the west line of Section 15, BBB&C Survey. It is 150 feet from the south line and 150 feet from the west line of an 80 acre lease.

Having a proposed depth of 1,400 feet, it will test the Moutray Sand.

Larry Mildren New Area Coordinator

Larry J. Mildren, of Abilene, will be the West Central Regional Co-ordinator for Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. He has opened an office at the Abilene State School, and will work with 28 counties, including Callahan County.

Business man and educator, Mildren is one of seven co-ordinators trained by the Department to meet the need for providing maximum assistance to citizens seeking services for the mentally ill and mentally retarded.

Mildren may be reached at Abilene State School, or at post office box 1775, Abilene.



Maybelle Cline - Avon Rep.

Go all our customers, best wishes for a Merry Christmas. We thank you warmly!

Contracts Let For Seal Coat

Contracts for seal coat work on 679 miles of highways in the Abilene district have been awarded by the Texas Highway Commission.

The work will be under the supervision of District Engineer J. C. Roberts, and will be in Mitchell, Stonewall, Fisher, Jones, Scurry, Nolan, Howard, Kent, Callahan, Taylor, Haskell, Shackelford and Borden counties.

J. H. Strain and Sons Inc. of Tye was awarded one contract with a low bid of \$682,015.25. A. L. McKee of Abilene is the Highway Department engineer in charge of this project, which will take an estimated 100 working days.

The projects include the following highways in the county:

IH 20 to 7.6 miles from Taylor County line to Baird; IH 20 to 3.1 miles from Baird to 2.0 miles east of Baird; Taylor County line SH 36 to a length of 7.4 miles from FM 18 to Callahan County line; SH 36 for a length of 15.2 miles from US 283 to FM 2707; SH 283 for a length of 7.5 miles from Baird to 7.6 miles south.

Also included in the county are: US 283 for a length of 3.8 miles from 7.6 miles south of Baird to SH 36; SH 36 for a length of 3.5 miles from FM 2707 to Eastland County line; FM 880 for a length of 11.4 miles from IH 20 to Shackelford County line; Spur 880 for a length of 0.2 miles from FM 880 to US 380.

B&PW Club Has Christmas Dinner

The Business and Professional Women's Club met Dec. 17, at Merle's Cafe, for the regular monthly meeting and Christmas dinner. Dinner was served to 17 members and three guests, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. B. L. Boydston and Mrs. Beavers of Earth.

President Floy McMullin presided for a business meeting during which the Club decided to order material for a window display on cancer. Project for the year will be the Golden Holiday Nursing Home. Mrs. McMullin also announced that the B&PW National Convention will be held in St. Louis in July, and asked that members go by and view the window display which the Club had decorated in the Bearden Building, in connection with the Chamber of Commerce Christmas Decorating Contest.

Oct. Savings Bonds Sales Total \$3,786

October sales of United States Savings Bonds and Freedom Shares totaled \$3,786.00 in Callahan county, according to a report received from Howard E. Farmer, Chairman of the Callahan Savings Bonds Committee. Sales in the county for the ten month period, January through October, totaled \$134,582.00 and 96 per cent of the 1968 goal has been achieved.

Statewide sales of Savings Bonds reached an all-time high of \$151,715,504 for the first ten months of 1968. During 1967 sales totaled \$139,007,131 -- a 9.1 per cent increase over the same period for 1967. October sales during 1967 totaled \$14,689,704 and October 1968 sales totaled \$16,986,405 --



GREETINGS

To our fine patrons, sincere thanks, and warmest greetings to you and yours for a Merry Christmas.

FAYE & SMITTY



PEACE on EARTH

Happiness, love, peace surround us as we celebrate the Birth of Christ. May joy be yours!

RUSSELL - SURLES ABSTRACT COMPANY

CHRISTMAS CHEER



Carols echo in the crisp night air spreading Christmas cheer. Thank you for your trust, support.

MYRTLE'S CAFE



We hope that Santa is bringing good things your way. Thank you for your loyal patronage.

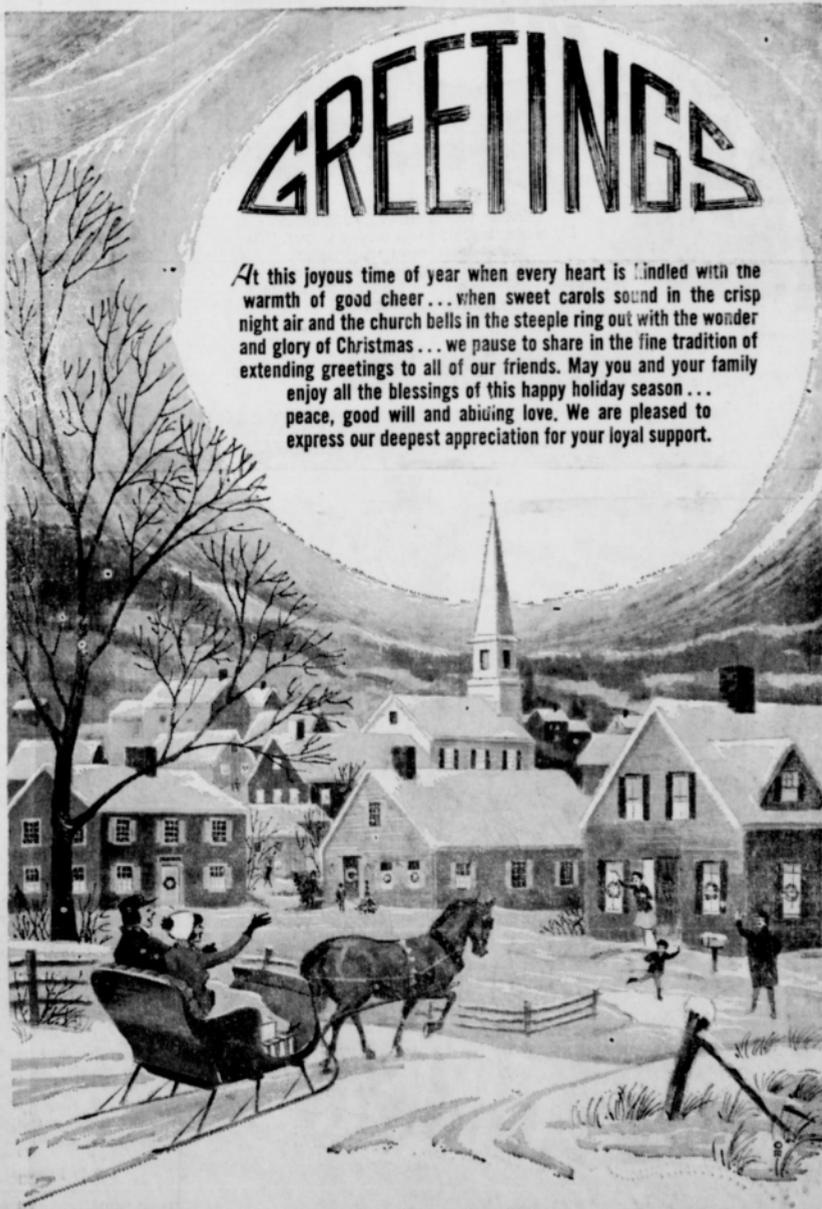
MERLE'S CAFE



CHRISTMAS

In appreciation of your patronage... Best wishes to customers and friends for a holiday filled with the happy sounds of laughter, Merry Christmas.

M. L. Hughes Tires & Texaco



GREETINGS

At this joyous time of year when every heart is kindled with the warmth of good cheer... when sweet carols sound in the crisp night air and the church bells ring out with the wonder and glory of Christmas... we pause to share in the fine tradition of extending greetings to all of our friends. May you and your family enjoy all the blessings of this happy holiday season... peace, good will and abiding love. We are pleased to express our deepest appreciation for your loyal support.

THE BAIRD STAR

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa,
I want a talking Casey and patterns for my Casey. My cousin wants a game for Christmas. I hope you have a Merry Christmas too.
Love,
Julie

Dear Santa,
I am writing to tell you what I want for Christmas. I would like a Tippy Toes.
With love,
Terri Hickman

Dear Santa,
I want a pair of Walkie-Talkies and some B-Bs for my BB gun.
Love,
Champ

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a gun that shoots corks and pops, and a football, and a pant set, and a Little Kittle and a Hot Wheels, and a Bike, and Incredible-Edibles and a little dog. My brother wants a pair of guns and fire truck and I don't know what my sister wants. Oh yes, I want a Basketball.
Love,
Darlene Blankenship

Dear Santa,
I have been good and kinda good in school. I want a Johnny Toy Maker. Then I want some Walkie-Talkies. Then I want a Touch Football Outfit.
By the way, how are you? I hope you can bring me this stuff.
With love,
Joe Stewart

Dear Santa,
I want an electric football game and Terror Turn and a new bike. Well, I guess that will be all because I'm going to move to Midland January 17, 1969. Well bye-bye.
Love, your friend
Jeff Burleson

Dear Santa,
My brother wants a tape recorder, and I want a hair dryer and a doll name Angel Baby and a poncho and some bell bottom pants and a game called Snakes Alive.
With love,
Sheila Smauley

Dear Santa,
I want a bike for Christmas, and a doll and my sister wants a doll for Christmas.
Love,
Rita

Dear Santa,
I want some binoculars or a telescope for Christmas. Also, I want a race set and the name of it is Hot Wheels.
Love,
Jeff Barton

Dear Santa,
I want a pool table for Christmas and my sister wants an organ.
Love,
Scotty Elliott

Dear Santa,
I want a darringer and some walkie-talkies and a chin strap.
Love,
Rodney Ivy

Dear Santa,
I would like a Tippy-Toes, a set of golf clubs, a twister, and tape recorder. My sister wants a Pop-up-book. My oldest brother wants a Crazy Car.
With love,
Cathy Dyer

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a doll buzzy and a Tubsy doll and a Sting-Ray bike. That's all Santa.
Love,
Laura West

Dear Santa,
This is what I want for Christmas. I want a Monte Carlo Bee Bee gun, and some red football pants, and I want that cars that have a real crash sound with Terror Turn.
Love,
Randy Shipp

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine. If would like you to bring me a ironing board and iron.
Love,
Darlene Fleming

Dear Santa,
Please send a me a Polaroid Swinger for Christmas. My brother wants a farm set. My sister wants a doll. My big sister wants a Polaroid Swinger, and I want some pom-poms.
I love you,
Kathy Collins

Dear Santa,
I want a game named Twister and a doll. Jill wants Tubsy and I'm going to get some more stuff, and I think I have been good.
With love,
Christi Hollar

Dear Santa,
I hope you are fine. I hope you are not sick Because I want you to come on Christmas. I want a Miss Peep and a Sleeping bag Remember all the children in the world.
Love,
Candy Newton

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a New born Thumbelina and a Baby Small Walk and a Buffy and Mrs. Beasley and Pom Pom animals. There will be milk for you. I would like a Kittle C.
Your friend,
Kathy Lambert

Dear Santa,
I wish that you would bring me a pool table and football suit so I can play football, and there's a lot of more things but I can't spell them.
With love,
Frankie Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I want a Johnny Service. My brother wants a Johnny Toy Maker, and by oldest brother wants a T. V.
With love,
Lorren D. Walker

Dear Santa,
I hope you get to come to Baird. I want an organ and a doll named Little Miss Tussy and a pair of bell bottom pants.
Love,
Brenda Brocker

Dear Santa,
I want a sting ray bike for Christmas. My brother wants a sting ray bike too. My sister wants a record player, Minnie and Richard. Have a Happy Christmas.
Love,
Olen R.



Christmas Greetings

For all the beautiful blessings of Christmas, let us rejoice! To each and every one of our good friends and patrons, we extend, with sincere appreciation, good wishes for the holiday.

Warren's Modern Cleaners



All the Best for CHRISTMAS

The treats of the Christmas season are many and varied, and our wish for you, our customers, is that you and your families may have the good fortune to enjoy them all. Thanks for your patronage!

MILLER'S FOOD STORE



Christmas is a winter wonderland, covered by a blanket of pure white snow. We send you our sentiment during this brisk season through our warmest wishes and a hearty "Thanks." Merry Christmas.

THE PRESCRIPTION SHOP



As we sing out with joy at this holiday season, we express our thanks to all our good friends and customers for their loyal and steady patronage.

TEXACO, INCORPORATED
Emil Ringhoffer, Jr., Consignee



A Child lies in a manger. A Star shines brightly upon the earth, reflecting the glory of His birth. May this eternal light of love shine into every heart, bringing peace to all men and a holy, happy Christmas to you and yours.

BAIRD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



Silent Night

As the story of the first Christmas unfolds in churches and homes across the land, may you and yours share in its hope for "Peace on Earth, Good Will to All Men."

JIMMY and ALMA GODFREY

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll.
Love,
Gloria Aguirre

Dear Santa
Please bring me a train and a truck.
Love,
Jessy Agurry

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Hot wheel track with cars and a M16 and a bike and a space crater and Raggedy Andy and a raincoat and a tricycle for my little brother.
Your friend,
Robert Lambert

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Would please bring bicycle, thank you.
Love,
Jimmy Saunders

Dear Santa,
Santa has it snowed down there lately? It has down here. I want a walking doll, dishes and doll clothes. Be sure to come to my house.
Thank you,
Debbie Warren

Dear Santa,
This is just a few lines to say hello. I want a tape recorder for Christmas and some guns too. My brother wants some boots and a cowboy hat.
Love,
Fabiah Mendez

Dear Santa,
Would you please bring me some walkie-talkies and some golf clubs for Christmas.
Your friend,
Johnny Green

Dear Santa,
How are you? I hope you are well. I am 7 years old and I have been pretty good. I want a poodle radio, and a pretty doll for Christmas. My sister want a poodle radio too. We will leave you some cookies and milk.
I love you,
Lisa Pierce

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Scrapper and a Crain, and a Road Grader.
Your friend,
Jim Lambert

Dear Santa,
My sisters want a baton and ping pong table. My brother wants one too. I want a Fright Factory
Sincerely yours,
Don Denman

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this week. May I have a pair of white boots for Christmas. A pair of red tennis shoes and a pair of black tennis shoes.
Love,
Deana Hargrove

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Please bring me Hot Wheels for Christmas. My little brother Ricky wants Hot Wheels too. My little sister Donna wants a horse.
Thank you,
Steve Defosses

Dear Santa,
May I have a play house and some walkie talkies. I would love some kookie cakes. My sister would like a posie doll and we would both like to have a new pair of ballet shoes and a new-born Thumbelina doll and Tiddle Tummies and Tiddle Toes.
Your friend,
Lydia Hardwick

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a Twist and Turn Barbie. I would like to have a Kiddie House also I would like to have a View Master and anything else you want to bring me.
Your friend,
Kathy Lambert

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl 1 1/2 years old. Would you please bring me a soft cuddly doll with hair, a set of dishes, and a See'n Say Toy?

Remember all the other boys and girls, especially my cousins, Sherri and Connie, because they have to write to you for me.
Love,
Frances Hounshell

Dear Santa,
I would like a Posie doll with long blonde hair and a talking Barbie doll. And a new Barbie doll house. I would like some new house shoes.
Your friend,
Crecia Hardwick

Dear Santa,
I want some little kiddies And a perfume kiddie, name Violet. I also want some knee-high boots and raincoat. I hope you have a nice and safe trip Christmas, Santa.
Love,
Carla Deel
P.S. I will leave you some hot chocolate and cake on the table.

Dear Santa,
I want an Air blasting gun and a Red football helmet, a thing maker set and a spider bike and a AMF airplane and a mighty mike astro train, a futuristic lunar bug and a hell UH-1 helicopter and a Hot wheels action set.
By Santa,
Rockey Brown

Dear Santa,
I'd like a Suzy Homemaker, a talking Barbie and a Alice in Wonderland doll. I need some new clothes for my barbies. I'd also like some dishes and a new baton.
Thank you Santa,
Desiree Brown



Best Wishes for Christmas

Christmas is a special time filled with merriment for everyone. We hope yours is exceptionally happy since you made us happy by being a customer and becoming a good friend.

TURNER BUTANE COMPANY



BEST WISHES FOR

Christmas

In the peace and quiet of this snow-laden countryside, the air is a tingle with the crisp freshness of winter, and we see the familiar signs and symbols of the good old-fashioned Christmas spirit . . . a spirit ever new. For you and yours, we wish a bounty of traditional pleasures, of serenity and contentment. At Christmastide, we pause in warmest appreciation of your continued loyalty, trust and confidence to wish you the very best of the season. It is our continuing pleasure and wish to be able to serve you.

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Merry Christmas

It's time once again to take pause, in the spirit of the beautiful Christmas season, to greet fine friends and neighbors with best wishes. And to add deep appreciation for your favors, good will.

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LOST and FOUND

FOUND — A pair of prescription tinted glasses, dark frames, have been turned in at The Baird Star office. The glasses were found at Baird Lake on the Griggs property. 31-tf-c

FOUND — A key in the City Park. Owner may pick up at Baird Star. 39-tf-c

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NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held at the Water Board office in the City of Baird, Callahan County, Texas, on January 14, 1969 for the purpose of electing three Directors of Callahan County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1.

The officers of said election are:

Election Judge - Mrs. Homer Driskill.

Assistant Judge - Mrs. M. A. Cline.

Clerks - Mrs. G. W. Crutchfield and Mrs. Claude Johnson. All persons who are qualified voters and who pay taxes in said District shall be entitled to vote in said election.

I. E. Warren, Secretary, Callahan County Water Control & Improvement Dist. No. 1.

12-13,20,27 - 1-3

Flowers Speak Language of Love

Like holly, ivy and mistletoe, flowers share in the legend and lore of Christmas. In terms of the Victorian era, the floral legend is an especially meaningful one.

A Victorian lady who received a bouquet from her admirer could either smell it or read it as if it were a letter. Often, it was a letter.

Young engaged couples, strictly chaperoned, found a way to communicate words of affection via flowers. Each flower had a special meaning.

Flowers in sequence could be used to spell out a fervent pledge of love. To help in composing - and translating these messages - there were numerous tiny dictionaries listing flowers and their meanings.

The flowering honeysuckle, for instance, spoke of "bonds of love." A red rosebud told a lady that she was "pure and lovely." Red double pink meant "woman's love." And heliotrope carried a bold message "I love you."

This Victorian language of flowers greatly influenced the design of Christmas cards of the time.

The lush summer blooms are typical of the Victorian admiration of flowers, regardless of the season.

Though sentiments may be expressed differently, flowers still bloom on modern Christmas cards. A current card offers one example. Poinsettias flower on a background of mistletoe and the message reads, "Just for you, honey, all my love at Christmas."

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Lieutenant Colonel Wagner Awarded Bronze Star Medal

Lieutenant Colonel Douglas A. Wagner, former resident of Baird, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for service with the United States Marine Corps in Vietnam.

The citation of the award is as follows:

"For meritorious service in connection with operations against insurgent communists (Viet Cong) forces in the Republic of Vietnam while serving in various capacities with the First Marine Division from 26 May 1967 to 8 June 1968.

Throughout this period, Lieutenant Colonel Wagner performed his demanding duties in an exemplary and highly professional manner. As Executive Officer of the First Battalion, Seventh Marines, Lieutenant Colonel Wagner, then a Major, skillfully assisted the battalion commander in supervising the myriad functions of his command. During Operation Yazoo, Lieutenant Colonel Wagner commanded a composite battalion and ably deployed his unit to prevent the Viet Cong from launching rocket attacks on Da-Nang.

Reassigned as Operations Officer of the Seventh Marine Regiment on 1 October 1967, he continued to distinguish himself in the performance of his duties. Subsequently reassigned as Operations Officer of the G-4 Section, Headquarters, First Marine Division on 29 November 1967, he worked tirelessly and with meticulous attention to detail to increase the efficiency of his section's Material

Management Assistance and Inspection Teams.

"Demonstrating outstanding professional ability and resourcefulness, he instituted improved administrative procedures which greatly increased the accuracy of the logistics portions of operational readiness reports.

Lieutenant Colonel Wagner's outstanding professionalism, tireless efforts and unwavering devotion to duty throughout contributed significantly to the accomplishment of his unit's mission and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and of the United States Naval Service."

Lieutenant Colonel Wagner, son of Mrs. Leonard Wagner who now lives in Houston, is a graduate of Baird High School, attended the University of Texas and is a graduate of University of Houston. He is at present stationed at Marine Headquarters in Washington, D. C.

Decorating Trees

The gaily decorated tree so much a part of Christmas has its counterpart in trees adorned with colorful trinkets during the ancient feasts of the winter equinox.

This pagan custom of decorating evergreens became associated with Christmas observances, and legends link it to the birth of Jesus. One story says that on the night of the Nativity, all the woodland trees burst into bloom and bore fruit.

Christmas Displays At Clyde High School

For the past several years the Clyde Beta Club has been sponsoring a Christmas Door Contest in the high school. This year the judges for the contest were Mrs. Don Tabor and Mrs. George Yantis.

Doors were judged according to subject and originality. Some of the themes entered this year were "Jolly Old St. Nicholas," "Up, Up, and Away," "Freshmen Still Believe," and "Love and Peace." The decisions were difficult but the judges finally awarded first place to the Junior girls, displaying "We Wish You a Jewel of a Christmas." Second place went to the Science Club, third place, Pep Squad and honorable mention, Seniors. Final judging was held Monday, Dec. 16. Prizes were \$3, \$2, and \$1 for the winners of the contest.

Tracing Santa

Santa's source, legend says, goes back to the fourth century when St. Nicholas, a bishop of Asia Minor, was noted for his generosity and gift-giving.

In some countries, St. Nicholas still retains his role as gift-bearer. This day, traditionally, December 6th, and European children await him on St. Nicholas Eve, December 5th. A gray horse and a white donkey have each been credited with the honor of transporting him on his gift-giving journeys.

Lopez Assigned To 1st Cavalry Div.

Army Private First Class George L. Lopez, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pedro G. Lopez of Baird, was assigned as a supply specialist with the 1st Cavalry Division (Airborne) in Vietnam, Nov. 14.

GREETINGS

We want to wish everyone in Callahan County a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Madison Montgomery & Family



A Christmas Prayer

May the beautiful meaning of Christmas ... living through the ages to inspire men everywhere ... continue to live in your own heart and mind. And may your Christmas be filled with joy.

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Five Ventures Staked In County

Wilbanks and Tidwell of Albany staked three regular field locations three miles southeast of Putnam.

All are slated for 1,000 feet with cable tools to test the Cook. They are on the S. M. Davis 240 acre lease.

No. 12 Davis spots 893 feet from the north and 1,350 feet from the east lines of Section 8, BOH Survey.

Site for No. 14 Davis is 493 feet from the north and 1,350 feet from the east lines of Section 8.

No. 15 Davis is to be drilled 493 feet from the north and 1,750 feet from the east lines of Section 8.

Monfort Drilling Co. of Albany staked two regular field locations. Both slated for 800

feet with rotary to test the Moutray Sand, they are seven miles southeast of Putnam.

No. 1 Hickman spots 1,060 feet from the north and 2,110 feet from the east lines of Section 149, BBB&C Survey.

Drill site for No. 2 Hickman is 1,060 feet from the north and 1,510 feet from the east lines of Section 149.

Lighting the Way

Light and Christmas go together, for the deepest meaning of the holiday represents Christ, the Light of the world. From the bonfires and candles of yesteryear to the twinkling electric ornaments of today, light symbolizes Christmas.

According to Irish legend, a candle should always be placed in the window Christmas Eve. Each Christmas, it was said, Christ wanders the earth in search of a welcome, and a candle should light the way.

Holiday Greenery

Evergreens, symbolic of eternal life, have long been used for decorating. Holly, a long-time favorite, has several legends connected to its use, one being Christ's crown of thorns was made of holly. Some say

the Christmas wreaths came from His crown. Berries resemble drops of blood.

It is said that early Romans enemies made up their quarrels when they met under the mistletoe; this is believed to be the origin of the kissing under the green.



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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How Many Holidays?

Traditionally, Belgians celebrate three holidays at the Christmas season — beginning with St. Nicholas Day, December 6th, when the good saint brings gifts for children.

Then comes St. Thomas Day, December 21st. It's a sort of "trick or treat" day for school children, who try to play tricks on their teachers.

The third holiday, of course is Christmas.

Santa's Moving To Take Lead As Gift-Giver

More and more, Santa Claus becomes the favored gift-giver in the world, replacing a host of legendary figures who were said to bring gifts at this same season of the year.

Gift-giving time, too, is now more likely to be Christmas Eve, although the traditional date in European countries once ranged from St. Nicholas Eve, Dec. 5th, to Epiphany Eve, Jan. 5th.

Among the many who set the trend for Santa Claus is the German gift-giver Kris Kringle. The name is a variation of Christkind — not the Infant Jesus himself, but his messenger who came to earth at Christmastime.

Christkind was represented by a child dressed in white robes, with a crown and wings of gold.

In Japan, the traditional gift-giver is a native god, Hoteiosho. Represented as a kindly old man with pack on his back, he is much like visions of the traditional Santa.

He is said to have eyes in the back of his head, the better to see whether boys and girls have been naughty or nice.

In Yugoslavia, Grandfather Frost — "Dede Mraz" — replaces Santa Claus.

The Yugoslavian trend is to combine Christmas and New Year holidays, and celebrate them together with Grandfather Frost Day.

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Edward Craig To Serve As Senator

Edward Craig of Clyde is one of 22 freshmen selected to serve as senator on the Southwest Texas State College Freshman Assembly.

Craig, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Craig of Clyde, was chosen from Elliott Hall in the recent election. A freshman government major at Southwest Texas, Craig was a 1968 graduate of Clyde High School.

Bob Loyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Loyd, visited with his parents last week. He returned to Grand Junction, Colo., early this week.

SEASON'S GREETINGS to All Our Customers and Friends

Martha & Shine



A YOUNG 'UN IN LOVE LOOKS LIKE HE'S GOT BOTH FEET PLANTED FIRMLY ON A CLOUD.

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POSSESSING INNER SHELTER

"FEAR NOT THEM WHICH KILL THE BODY, BUT ARE NOT ABLE TO KILL THE SOUL: BUT RATHER FEAR HIM WHICH IS ABLE TO DESTROY BOTH SOUL AND BODY IN HELL" — THE CHRIST (MATT. 10:28)



- BAIRD CHURCH OF CHRIST**
Joe Wilson, Minister
- Sunday:
Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ... 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday:
Ladies Class 9:30 a.m.
- Wednesday:
Mid-Week Service ... 7:00 p.m.
- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**
Carrol Green, Pastor
- Sunday:
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ... 10:55 a.m.
Training Union 8:00 p.m.
Evening Worship ... 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday:
Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**
Albert Cooper, Pastor
- Sunday:
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
MYF 5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship ... 8:00 p.m.
Choir Practice Wed. 7:30 p.m.
- CHURCH OF GOD**
Chas. Sinks, Pastor
- Sunday:
Bible School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
- Wednesday:
Y.P.E. 7:00 p.m.
- PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**
Ben H. Moore, Pastor
- Sunday:
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m.

SPANISH BAPTIST MISSION

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Dear Santa,
Please bring me a walking doll and a record player with four records and a book.
Love,
Sheri Whitehead

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a jackin-the-box, a play truck, a play truck I want a football suit.
Love,
Gregory Williams

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a baby buggy and a doll.
Love,
Carol Keith

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a walkie-talkie and a drum.
Love,
David Abernathy

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a truck and a train.
Love,
Pat Alamanzar

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Walkie Yo-Yo and a stuffed rabbit.
Barry Williams

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll.
Love,
Jane King

Dear Santa,
I want a drum, a teddy bear, and a little train set.
Love,
David Hambrick

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a truck.
Love,
George Gomez

Dear Santa,
I want a racing car track and a racing car. I want a train track and a train with it.
Love,
Hal Hargrove

Dear Santa Claus,
I want please a ball I want please a yo-yo. I want please a apple. I want please a stuffed rabbit.
Love,
Timmy Hughes

Dear Santa Claus,
I am six years old. Will you please bring me a Thumbelina doll. Sugar Plum Make up Kit, Ka-Boom, and Hands Down. Remember all boys and girls - and bring them some nice presents.
I love you,
Connie Eubanks

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doctor kit, a pistol and holster.
Love,
Ricky Fleming

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll and a bike.
Love,
Deborah

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and a walkie talkie set. My brother wants a bear. My mother wants a dress. One brother wantsa cowboy hat.
Love,
Howard Hamilton

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bike.
Love,
Manuel Cerda

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll.
Olga Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a baby buggy and a doll, a ball and I want an umbrella, Xylophone and a cat and two pieces of pie, and a yo-yo.
Love,
Cindy Dyer



As Christmas comes, here's a wish that true merriment may endure all through the holidays.



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We wish to extend our warmest holiday greetings to all the wonderful people in our town who make day-to-day business a special pleasure. Heartfelt thanks for your loyal trust and support. Merry Christmas.

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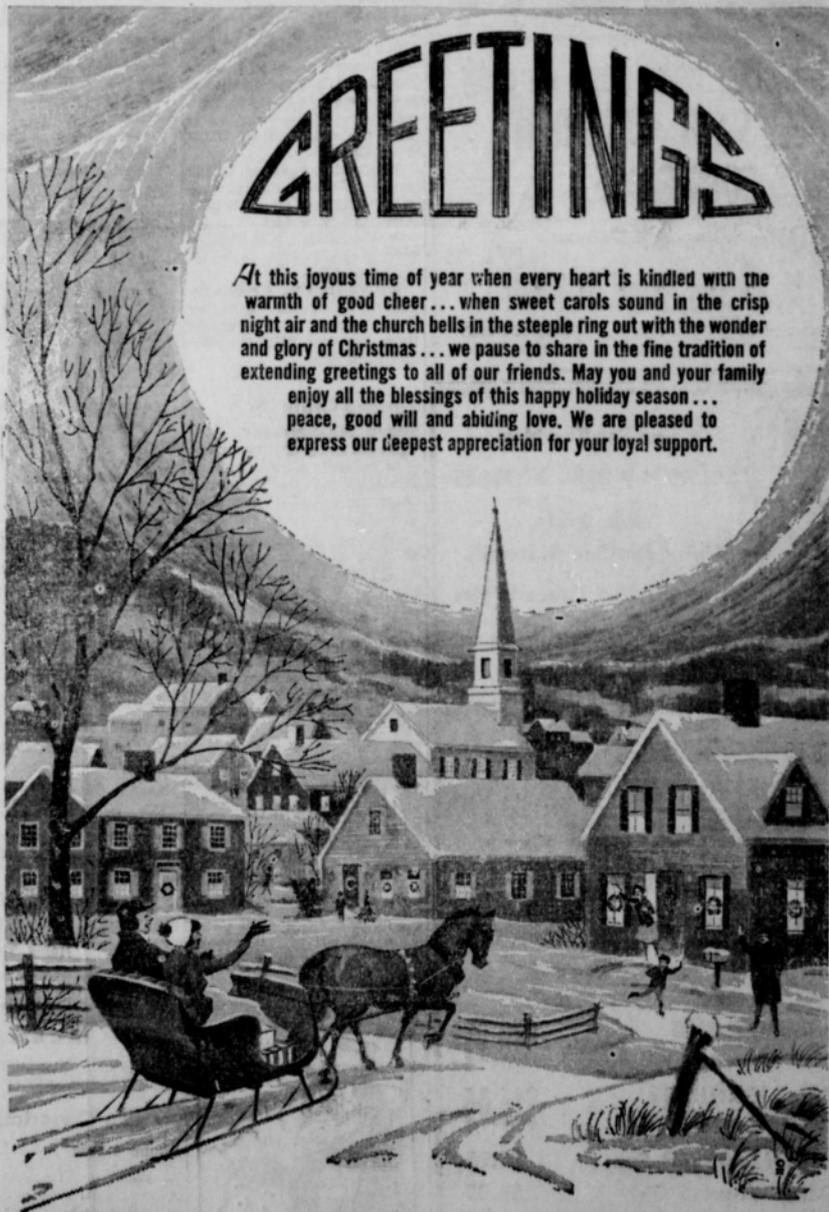


Like the sparkling beauty of a snowy landscape, hearts are filled with peace and good will. Over the mountains, through the woods or wherever you'll be at Christmas, we wish you a merry one and sincere "Thanks" for your continued support.

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GREETINGS

At this joyous time of year when every heart is kindled with the warmth of good cheer... when sweet carols sound in the crisp night air and the church bells in the steeple ring out with the wonder and glory of Christmas... we pause to share in the fine tradition of extending greetings to all of our friends. May you and your family enjoy all the blessings of this happy holiday season... peace, good will and abiding love. We are pleased to express our deepest appreciation for your loyal support.



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I would like a football set and some cars. My niece wants a tea set and a tea table. Remember all the other children.
With love,
Jim Sadler

Dear Santa,
I want a Johnny Speed.
Bye,
Steve Moore

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a bike and football and a remote-control Army tank. I would like a Handsdown.
Love,
Roy Meyer

Dear Santa,
I want a Waikie-Talkie and my brother wants a drum and my brother wants a toy and my sisters wants a doll.
Your friend,
Hector Aguirre

Dear Santa,
I want a set of play dishes. My brother wants a new car. Also bring me two tea sets. Santa. I want a head scarf and some gloves.
With love,
Linda Williams

Dear Santa,
I hope you can bring me a Army suit and a racing car too. 56 games and cork gun. Give my sister a doll. Give me a baseball too.
Love,
Robert

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bus and a train, I also like to have a grain truck and a tractor. Thank you Santa.
Love
Michael J.

Mrs. Cunningham Hostess for WSCS

Circle No. 1 of the WSCS of United Methodist Church met in the home of Mrs. Frank Cunningham, with Mrs. C. C. Billingsley as co-hostess on Monday, Dec. 16, with 15 members and two visitors present.

Circle Chairman, Mrs. Billingsley, presided over the business session and Mrs. M. L. Stubblefield gave the invocation. Mrs. Billingsley asked Mrs. Lucy Siadous to give "The Life of St. Paul." It was well presented and enjoyed by all present. The program was concluded with the WSCS Motto.

Christmas packages surrounded a beautiful Christmas tree and the room was filled with the Christmas Spirit as each one exchanged gifts and enjoyed the fellowship.

Refreshments were served to Mmes. W. P. Brightwell, C. C. Billingsley, M. A. Cline, Albert Cooper, Frank Cunningham, P. E. Dungan, Alice Crutchfield, Marvin Davis, Ace Hickman, Brice Jones, Fred Heyser, Bob Norrell, M. L. Stubblefield, Lucy Siadous, J. O. Warren, and visitors Sig Blakley and Mrs. W. L. Ivey.

Beta Sigma Phi Has Progressive Dinner

Beta Sigma Phi Sorority had their Christmas party by having a progressive dinner.

The party started in the home of Mrs. Mike Bell for appetizers. The group of 22 then went to Mrs. Bill Skinner's home for salads. The main course was served in the home of Mrs. Jon Hardwick and the dessert in the home of Mrs. James Paul Shanks where the group also exchanged gifts.

Members enjoying the party were Mmes. Mike Bell, Don Davis, Bess Driskill, Jon Hardwick, Stanley Harris, James Herring, Tommy Holland, James Isenhower, Perry Jennings, Kenneth Robbins, James Paul Shanks, Bill Skinner, Charles Walker, Frank Windham Sr. Mike Young, John Wright, Jon Tate, Billy Cummings, Roger Corn, Misses Dee Thompson, Dorthie McKinley and two guests, Mrs. Joyce Steven and Mrs. Pam Blythe.

'48 Study Club Has Christmas Party

Baird '48 Study Club met in the home of Mrs. Ray Black Monday night, Dec. 16, for their Christmas party. Mrs. James Eubanks and Mrs. Jim Higgins were co-hostesses.

Mrs. Jim Higgins read the Christmas story from the Bible. A very interesting Christmas Is Tradition was given by Mrs. J. C. Earp Jr.; two poems were read by Mrs. Emil Ringhoffer Jr. for her part of the program, Christmas Is Remembrance; and Mrs. Charles Walker led the group in singing Christmas carols and told how the writing of three carols came about on Christmas is Music.

Following the exchange of gifts, refreshments were served to Mmes. Frank Crow, J. C. Earp Jr., Connie Fair, Charles Greenway, Harold Hambrick, Joe Harris, Woody Hudman, Bob L. McNeil, Truman Meyer, Jerry Nance, A. H. Ringhoffer, Emil Ringhoffer Jr., Floyd Smauley, Jon Tate and Charles Walker.



Greetings

Now's the time to thank you for your continued good will, and wish you and your family a happy holiday!

CALLAHAN ABSTRACT



A sleighful of greetings is coming your way with wishes for a merry Christmas day. May candles shine brightly and each heart be filled with joy, peace and good will. We take this opportunity to thank you for being an honored customer all year.

SUTPHEN - WRISTEN

Greetings

Christmas has arrived! A time for gaily-wrapped goodies, yes, but also a time to count our each and every blessing... and to say thanks to all those whom we are privileged to serve.



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At Christmas...
We pray that the miracle of His birth in a humble manger will once more spread its wonders, its promise across the land, bringing peace on earth, good will to men. In the joyous spirit of the holiday we offer our thanks to our customers for your many kindnesses. We greatly value and enjoy the privilege of serving you. Merry Christmas.

A&P STORE



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GREETINGS

Here's wishing you the fulfillment of all your dreams for Christmas. Thank you for your patronage.

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Rolling your way with GOOD WISHES

To all our customers, sincerest wishes for a Christmas that hums with complete joy and happiness. And for the pleasure of having served you, our thanks!

A. V. Curtis Shell Station



Christmas Greetings

As we rejoice in the story of the first Christmas, may the happy spirit of the holiday light up your home with peace, good will. Thanks to all you wonderful people for your loyal trust and support.

JENNINGS' ENCO STATION

STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights by Vern Sanford

AUSTIN — This doesn't come under State Capitol News, but nevertheless it's a capital idea.

We refer to the world's largest Christmas tree. It is erected in Zilker Park on the south bank of Town Lake in your Capital City.

This tremendous, Texas-size spirit of Christmas is 135 feet tall. It's not of fir, or spruce, or pine. It is composed largely of metal.

You've heard of the fabulous Moonlight Towers of Austin. Well, this is an expansion of that idea -- magnified a thousand times over -- with not a few lights but thousands of them.

Long, sturdy cables, wrapped with electric wire bearing 3,500 colorful red, green, blue, yellow and white light bulbs, ran out conically from the tip of the tower -- spreading a glow of 82,500 watts of candlepower. Their coverage, teepee style, over such an expansive area, is so great that motorists drive their cars under the gigantic "tree."

It's truly a sight to behold -- an attraction that can be seen for miles and miles -- and draws thousands of motorists, day and night, to witness its magnificent splendor.

AIDES ANNOUNCED — Governor-elect Preston Smith is moving smoothly through organizational preliminaries in preparation for taking over the chief executive's office on January 21.

His staff already is virtually complete.

Vernon A. McGee of Austin, head of the Legislative Budget Board for 16 years before he lost his job two years ago, will be the governor's major assistant for program development.

Austin attorney Robert D. Bullock, former state representative from Hillsboro and one of Smith's key campaign workers, as appointments assistant, legal and travel aides.

Larry Treaver Jr., a longtime Lubbock friend, as an administrative assistant and general office manager.

Indications are Smith wants former State Sen. Martin Dies Jr. as his first secretary of state. The popular Dies told newsmen last week he had not at that time been approached by either the governor-elect or his principal aides. He added he would "seriously consider" taking the "cabinet" post -- highest appointive plum the governor can bestow -- if it is offered, however.

Rounding out Smith's first team are Harold K. Dudley, executive assistant; Jerry Hall, press secretary; and James P. Oliver, budget director.

PRISON IMPROVEMENT — Governor-elect Smith has proposed the state's prisons as natural places to "concentrate some of our first action grants" under the new federal anti-crime program.

Smith told a meeting of probation and parole officers in Lubbock that "taking an offender out of society and placing him in prison often merely compounds the problems of helping him work into society as a law-abiding citizen, who can support himself proudly and honestly."

"Our job in the coming months and years will be to find out what can be effective," Smith said. "Chances are, we will find that an extensive job-training and education program will be a big part of the answer."

APPOINTMENTS — It's raining appointments from the Governor's office these days.

Gov. John Connally got far behind with filling vacancies to state agencies. His office once estimated he had nearly 200 to catch up on. At least one major post -- chairmanship of the Texas Employment Commission -- is 4 years overdue. It's traditional that governors fill vacancies occurring during their administrations, though appointees actually serve through terms of the present governor's successor.

Such was the case when Con-

nally re-appointed Joe D. Carter to the key post of Texas Water Rights Commission Chairman. Price Daniel originally named Carter in 1961, and he served throughout Connally's administration. Carter's initial term started in August, 1967, but Connally delayed re-appointment until last week. New term extends to February 1, 1973.

A different kind of appointment was Connally's choice of Amarillo contractor Leon P. Gilvin to succeed Will Odom of Austin as chairman of the Parks and Wildlife Commission. Odom resigned unexpectedly. Gilvin will serve until February 1, 1971 when Odom's term expires.

Connally re-appointed Heino Staffel Jr., Grady C. Clark Jr. of Corpus Christi and Garwood Gerdes of Giddings to the State Seed and Plant Board to serve until October 6, 1970.

Re-appointed to the Sabine River Authority are J. L. Payne of Hemphill, E. A. Meek of Newton, D. N. Beasley of San Augustine and Gus Morris of Greenville. Dudley Davis of Center and O. N. Pederson of Kilgore are new appointees to SRA.

City Secretary Virgil Gray of Brownwood will succeed Jimmie L. Mormon of Mesquite, who resigned, on the board of trustees of Texas Municipal Retirement System. Unexpired term runs until December 31, 1970.

Dr. James E. Peavy was named to the State Board of Health to a new term as Texas Health Commissioner. He has held this position since 1959.

ATTORNEY GENERAL RULES — Texas Highway Department can contract with Arkansas (subject to governor's approval) to participate in the cost of a joint road construction project, Atty. Gen. Crawford C. Martin has held.

In other recent opinions, Martin concluded that Harlingen Housing Authority property is not taxable even though part is let to concessionaires to serve residents; and that the Land Commissioner cannot alone reinstate a forfeited land purchase contract on settlement of delinquent account, though State Land Board can reinstate at

any tie up to resale bid acceptance.

COURTS SPEAK — State Supreme Court found no reversible error in Court of Civil Appeals decision upholding a proposed City of Houston annexation of 220 acres owned by Houston Endowment, Inc.

Federal Court heard legal clash of financial titans, Gulf and Western Industries, Inc. and Sinclair Oil Corporation, over G-W's move to get all Sinclair stock.

Federal Court also will hear the case in which Kentucky guardsmen contest the right of the U. S. to activate state militia for overseas combat duty in "peacetime."

Supreme Court reversed and sent back for new trial a Colorado River Municipal Water District suit involving \$545,580 condemnation award for 4,104 acres of Wilcockson Ranch in Coke County condemned in acquiring of dam and reservoir site.

A Hereford man, sentenced to seven years for arson in the burning of his grocery store, won a new trial because the only testimony against him was that of his alleged accomplice. Court of Criminal Appeals reversed the case.

Supreme Court will review a case challenging constitutionality of the law regulating lie detector machine operators.

LCB REVENUE UP — During the last fiscal year the Texas Liquor Control Board brought into state coffers a net profit of \$51,089,016, which is a record, the agency says in its annual report to the governor.

LCB listed its gross receipts for the year at \$55,061,583, which comes from permits and licenses granted package stores, private clubs and other establishments selling beer and wine and from taxes on alcoholic beverages.

Expenses of operating the Board for the year amounting to \$3,571,185. This means that, for every dollar the LCB spent in its operation, the state received \$15.38 in return.

"It is interesting to note," LCB Administration O. N. Humphreys Jr. said, "that recently the Federal Bureau of Investigation was cited for having produced \$1.50 in revenue for every \$1 it spent."

Mrs. Homer Driskill and Mrs. B. L. Boydston left Thursday for Okmulgee, Okla., to spend the holidays with their sister, Mrs. G. E. Simons, Pam, Geoff and Mike.

Sperm whales have brains six times as big as man's.



JOY TO THE WORLD

As the story of the first Christmas unfolds, may the light of love and understanding shine upon you and bring you everlasting peace and happiness. Best wishes for a joyous holiday.

Randall Jackson and J. Rupert Jackson, Jr.

May CHRISTMAS

fill the hearts of men everywhere with the good will that its true meaning offers to all. And may the joy and blessings of that first Christmas be yours.



CALLAHAN COUNTY HOSPITAL STAFF



BRIGHT CHRISTMAS WISHES

Our thoughts at this time give rise to many wishes... bright Christmas wishes for you and your family. May this be the happiest, most fun-filled holiday you've ever had. And for your patronage, our thanks!

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LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle and a set of walkie talkies for Christmas.
Love,
Billy Floyd

Dear Santa,
There are three little boys in my family Roger, Rex and me. We all will let you pick out something for us. A bike is what I want the most.
Thank you.
Love,
Ricky Cummings

Dear Santa,
My name is Jessie. I wish you could come and see us. Can you bring me a bicycle?
Your friend,
Jessie Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I want a doll for Christmas. name is Ruth.

Dear Santa:
I am two and a half years old. I have been a good little girl.
I want a baby doll that drinks milk, an iron and an ironing board, a little table and chairs, and some dishes. Please bring my Bubba and Kay Kay some-things.
Love
Debbie Faircloth

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I want, please, a BB gun, and I want a selectric power bird and I want a racing car and I want a Busy station and I would like some water paints.
Love,
David Ratliff

Dear Santa,
May I have a train, a bicycle, play cards and a truck.
Love,
Joe Cerda

Dear Santa,
I will fool you because I'm going to just ask for a radio and some clothes, because I'm going to Africa and I will not be able to take a lot of toys. Give the boys who need them my toys that you give me every Christmas
Love,
James Stockton

Dear Santa.
Please bring me a View Master, and a Hot Wheels track with Hot Wheels cars and Space Crawler.
Your friend,
Robert E. Lambert

Dear Santa,
Baker set.
Tammy

Dear Santa
How are you doing? I'm doing fine.
I want a Detroit Road Racing set and a rabbit hunting set.
Love
Larry Young

Dear Santa Claus:
Christmas will be here before you know it. I would like some black knee high boots and beads. I have four brothers and no sisters. My birthday is on January 1. I have been very good.
Love
Becky Rosinbaum

Classified Ads Pay

Dear Santa:
I have tried to be a good boy. I am 8 years old. I would like to have a GI Joe, Tobbie game, Johnny service, Hot Wheels race set, and a football game. Please bring Debbie. Kay and Irene some things too.
Your friend,
Tommy Faircloth

Dear Santa Claus:
Christmas will soon be here. I hope you will not forget me. I have been a good girl. An I love you Santa very very very much.
Love,
Tonya Poindexter

Dear Santa,
Please bring me Tippy Toes and Easy Bake Oven. My brothers Terry and Keith want a Race Car set and rifles. My baby sister Cynthia went a little doll.
Thank you
Kay Holcomb

Dear Santa Claus:
Christmas will soon be here and I hope you will not forget me. I have been very good Santa. May I have some a Mrs.

Beazel. Santa Claus, May I have some other thing too, like a big dog and the dog red. Can I have some red dishes.
Love,
Christie May



WEEK'S BARBER SHOP

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Everyone's singing out in merriment and joy, announcing to the world that it's Christmas! And it's our time to thank you, customers, for your patronage.

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

As we share with you in the joys of the Christmas season, we'd like to express our thoughts and our thanks to every friend and neighbor. Our thoughts are warm with hearty wishes for a holiday brimful of excitement and enchantment. And our thanks are most sincere, for your steadfast patronage and good will. We always appreciate the privilege of serving you.

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FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BAIRD

Picturing Nativity

The Christmas crib or presepio is an especially treasured part of the Portuguese holiday celebration. Every home and church seems to have one, and some of those in the churches are masterpieces of art.

Especially famous is the presepio in Estrella Church, Lisbon. This Nativity scene depicts the people of Bethlehem, in terra cotta figures. Unique among the crowd are figures of an elephant and a bagpiper.

CLYDE FFA STOCK SHOW SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 9

The fourth annual Clyde FFA Livestock Show will be held on January 9th, at Freeman's Training Center. The show is open to all students attending school at Clyde.

There will be classes for all kinds of livestock, and it is expected that this year's show will be the biggest and best ever. There is no entry fee to the show

and no charge for attendance. FFA members are hopeful that many people in this area come out to see their show animals.

The Clyde Show is designed to help give the local young people a chance to participate in a smaller show before entering the County or larger stock shows. It helps to get their animals ready and the participants to learn showmanship. The local show is sponsored by the Clyde FFA, and there is no prize money involved, only ribbons which are furnished by the Chapter and trophies that are furnished by local businessmen and individuals.

Trophies will be presented to the showmanship winners in Sheep, Dairy Cattle, Swine, Beef Cattle, Horses, Poultry and Rabbit Divisions.

This show is handled by the boys themselves. They serve as superintendents of the divisions and do all the jobs necessary to put on a show.

Superintendents of the show this year are: General Superintendent, Joe Canada; Rabbits, Bobby Gray; Poultry, Kyle Scott; Dairy Cattle, Jackie Tension; Beef Cattle, Johnny Pierce; Swine, Deotis Tension and Bobby Clark; Sheep, Eddie Johnson; Horses, Danny Williams. Chairman of the Concessions is Bobby Clark.

Judge for this year's show will be Laurence Winkler, Extension Agent in Shackelford County. Mr. Winkler will judge all classes.

General rules of the show are as follows:

1. All students between 9 and 18 years, attending school at Clyde, may enter.
2. Animals must be entered to the Show Superintendent of their division by 9 a. m. on day of show.
3. In weight classes, animals will be divided close to equal by the superintendent.
4. In general, rules of the Callahan County and Abilene shows will be followed.
5. The show reserves the right to refuse any entry.
6. Rules will be made by the show committee, consisting of Clyde FFA officers; however any rule or anything about the show may be changed by the executive committee.
7. Animals will remain on exhibit until all judging is completed, unless special permission is given by the General Superintendent.
8. The show nor any persons concerned is not or will not be held responsible for accidents that may be caused or happen at the show.
9. Horses should be at the show by 1:30 p. m.
10. Animals should be unloaded and loaded at the north end of the barn.

Schedule of judging (with all livestock in place at 9 a.m.): 9 a. m. judging begins with rabbits; 9:20, poultry; 9:45 judging of dairy cattle; 10 a.m. sheep; 10:30 beef cattle; 1 p.m. swine and 2 p.m. horses.

The members want to encourage all students who have animals to enter them in the show. Also they cordially invite each and everyone to attend the show at Freeman's Training Center January 9th.

Entertainment Listed For Shady Oaks

Game night will be held at Shady Oaks Saturday, Dec. 28, beginning at 7:30 p. m. All members and their guests are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

The second Scotch Foursome will be held at Shady Oaks on Sunday, Dec. 29. Tee off time is 1 p.m. The Scotch Foursome is sponsored by the Shady Oaks Ladies Golf Assn., and hostesses for the day will be Virginia Shanks, Nell Goble, Betty Tabor and Martina Bates.

A kitchen shower for Shady Oaks will be held Thursday, Jan. 2nd, after the regular business of the Ladies Golf Assn. A covered dish luncheon will also be held on this date.

The Ladies Golf Assn. will host the kitchen shower, and are inviting the entire membership of the club to give anything that would be useful in the kitchen. You may bring it to the club at any time.

John Wright, Lion's Guest Speaker

John Wright, Golf Pro at Shady Oaks was guest speaker at the Baird Lions Club Wednesday night, held in the Baird School Cafeteria. Also entertaining the Lion's were members of Mrs. Dick Vestal's 4th grade, singing Christmas Carols.

Turkey, dressing and all the trimmings were served for the evening meal.

Wrapping Gifts

When German tradition is followed, unwrapping a Christmas gift can be an amusing but complicated process.

One gift may have many consecutive wrappings, each with a different name on it, and the final wrapping may reveal not a gift, but a card telling where the gift is hidden.

Other cards in other hiding places lead to a treasure hunt, ending in the discovery of the gift.

Use Classified Ads

Putnam Man's Mother Dies

Funeral services for Mrs. W. H. Scott, 87, were held at 10 a.m. Friday in North's Memorial Chapel in Abilene. The Rev. Chris Diebel, pastor of First Christian Church officiated. Burial was in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Scott, longtime Abilene resident died at 5 p.m. Wednesday in West Texas Medical Center after a lengthy illness.

Survivors include her husband; five sons, Alva, Bradley, Joseph M. and Carrol, all of Abilene, Bernard of Brady and Wiley of Putnam; two daughters, Mrs. T. R. Digiovanni of Rosemead, Calif., and Mrs. Stella Keith of Flagstaff, Ariz.; 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Rhoda Farr of Alexandria, La., one brother, Tom Bradley of Winnsboro.

Sending Greetings

The custom of exchanging at holiday time is older than Christmas. The custom of the Christmas greeting card, however, is relatively a new one.

Christmas cards originated about 125 years ago, in England. Despite this recent start, printed greetings quickly caught the public fancy and are today one of the most popular forms of Christmas holiday traditions.

Giving Gifts

Like greetings, gifts are synonymous with Christmas, as part of a custom that probably has its beginning in the Wise Men's presentation of gold, frankincense and myrrh to the Christ Child.

Some researchers trace the gift-giving tradition to even earlier, pre-Christian times. During pagan holidays, observed at about the same time as the modern Christmas, ancient Romans and Britons exchanged gifts in token of the season.

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