

Merry Christmas

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Thanks to all of you for your loving spirit and generosity in donating money and goods to the various charitable causes this Christmas. McLean usually gives more than its share to those in need, and we should be proud of that reputation. As you celebrate this Christmas, we hope that you will remember the poor family in long ago Bethlehem who had to sleep with the animals because they had no money, no power, no material possessions to obtain a room.

Remember that child of material poverty became the greatest force in the history of the world, greater than any child born in a palace or a mansion. Remember that that young teenage mother has become the most revered Mother of all mankind.

As you look at your table loaded with rich foods, and look at your Christmas tree surrounded by expensive baubles, remember the humble family of the nativity. They had the gifts of the wise men, but more than that they had the gift of a newborn child who would become the savior of the world.

Can any present in the world ever equal that?

We owe an apology to Maria Eck in last week's paper. Maria scored 16 points for the Tigerettes to tie with Nora Gately for high point, a fact which we had in our story. But somehow the gremlins of the News Office lost a sentence before the story got to print.

We deeply apologize to Maria for the oversight. If I'd ever scored 16 points in a ball game, I'd sure want my name in the paper, wouldn't you?

I got caught in a goof, and like most people, I'm a little embarrassed by the mistake. The editor of the Miami Chief was good enough to point out errors he had seen in several papers in the last few weeks, and he noticed (as I am sure all of you did) that I attributed a quote to William Faulkner when I should have said the writer was T.S. Eliot. The goof is doubly embarrassing since I spent 13 years in an English classroom, and both the novelist Faulkner and the poet Eliot are two of my favorite writers. My only explanation is that I was writing hurriedly (as

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Date	High	Low
12-15-81	54	29
12-16-81	54	33
12-17-81	38	16
12-18-81	50	20
12-19-81	46	22
12-20-81	38	24
12-21-81	73	34

Precipitation.....
Light snow 12-16-81



O Holy Night

CHRISTIANS AROUND THE world will gather tonight to celebrate the birth of their Savior. Pictured are two figures from a porcelain nativity scene, portraying the baby Jesus and his mother Mary. [Photo by Linda Haynes]

Mobeetie Teams Sweep Four Games From McLean Friday Night

Mobeetie came to McLean Friday night, and showed no mercy on their host, taking four out of four basketball games in the McLean gym. The action started with a junior varsity girls game, with the two teams staying even through the first half. Mobeetie outscored McLean 16 to 8 in the third quarter to take a lead that they never relinquished. The final tally was 37-34 for Mobeetie.

Leading the scoring for McLean were Sharla Todd and Candi Carpenter with 12 points each. Others scoring were Jana Harris with 6, Stefanie Rodgers and Stefanie Houdyshell, each with 2. In the JV boys game, Mobeetie maintained a small lead throughout the game, winning the fray with a score of 38 to 34. Leading the scoring for McLean was Donald Via with 12. Dewayne Adamson scored 9, David Reed scored 7, and

Darin Corley, Billy Corley, and Frank Todd each scored 2 points.

In the varsity girls' game, Mobeetie jumped to an early 12 to 6 lead in the first quarter, and then went on a scoring binge in the second quarter, netting 17 points to McLean's

10 to lead at half-time 29 to 16. McLean was never quite in the game again, as Mobeetie led 44 to 26 at the end of the third quarter, and then won the game 59 to 40. Leading the scoring for the Tigerettes for the second week in a row were Nora Gately and Maria Eck,

each with 14 points. Susie Billingsley scored 8, and Leslie Stewart and Stacie Smith, each scored 2. Shonda Quarles scored 18 for Mobeetie, and teammate Linda Dyson scored 15.

In the varsity boys' game,

McLean played even ball with Mobeetie through the first half, going into the dressing rooms at halftime only two points behind, 26 to 24. But the second half was a different story, with the Tigers falling behind 39 to 31 in the third quarter and the game ending 57 to 40 for Mobeetie.

Leading the scoring for McLean was Scott Stubbs with 9 points. Others scoring were Kevin Nicholson and Bobby Sprinkles, each with 7; Dudley Reynolds, Van Boucher, and Robert Swamer, each with 4; Theron Stubbs and Randall Wynn, each with 2; and Andy Eck with 1. Danny Hilburn led Mobeetie with 16 points, and Wade Hathaway scored 15 for the visitors.

The Tigers and Tigerettes will see no basketball action through the Christmas holidays, with their next games scheduled for Jan. 5 at Lefors.

Casper Smith Home Wins In Second Chamber Of Commerce Contest

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Casper Smith was awarded the top prize in the 1981 Chamber of Commerce Home Decoration contest. The brightly lit home featured a hand-made lighted Merry Christmas sign in the front yard. The couple won \$50 in McLean bucks.

Second prize went to Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Windom, Jr. The Windom's home featured a lighted picture window with a Christmas tree inside, and Christmas lights and greenery intertwined in the wrought-iron porch railing around the

wrap-around porch of the two-story house. Second prize was \$35.

The \$25 third prize was a tie between the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Trew and Mr. and Mrs. Carey Don Smith.

The McLean Dairy Queen was given a special prize for

outstanding business decoration, according to Mrs. Mary Dwyer, chairman of the contest for the Chamber.

Mrs. Dwyer said that the judges were favorably impressed with the unusual number of decorated houses in McLean this year.

Commissioners Approve Resolution Against Toxic Wastes

From the Pampa News....

A resolution calling for a halt to test drilling in 25 Panhandle counties to locate a possible site for storage of toxic wastes was adopted Dec. 15 by Gray County Commissioners.

Drafting of the resolution by Judge Carl Kennedy was prompted by the Swisher County Commissioners who earlier drafted and approved the same type resolution. The resolution will be sent to state officials.

"This resolution says that until it is proven there is no danger involved in such storage, we don't want the waste buried here," Kennedy said.

Commissioners Precinct 3 James McCracken said there is currently a great deal of waste storage controversy.

"But regardless of what is going on, we do not need the buildings is listed at \$4,985, 736. Francher told the court that for the 1982 insurance rates, the building values would be raised 10 percent, bringing the total value to \$5,484,311.

"They said nuclear energy would be the most efficient and least expensive type of energy, I am not convinced it is either," McCracken said.

Precinct 4 Commissioner Ted Simmons said the same type resolution was being drafted by the West Texas State Association of County Commissioners.

"I almost don't think the government seriously considers using the test site," Simmons said.

Precinct 2 Commissioner Ronnie Rice wryly suggested the "U.S. store all toxic waste in Libya."

In other action commissioners authorized Precinct 2 to advertise for bids for a truck tractor and executed the oil leased on Gaines County School lands.

The insurance rates for county buildings were discussed with Kay Francher. The current values of the waste storage is listed at \$4,985, 736. Francher told the court that for the 1982 insurance rates, the building values would be raised 10 percent, bringing the total value to \$5,484,311.



A BEAUTIFUL DOLL patiently awaits Christmas morning under the Christmas tree, as children around the world wait for tomorrow morning. [Photo by Linda Haynes]

Don't Forget:
There Will Be No
McLean News
Next Week

The Next Paper Will Be January 7

OPINIONS

VIEWS ARE WRITTEN BY LINDA HAYNES, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. IF YOU HAVE AN OPINION ON ANY CURRENT SUBJECT WE WELCOME YOUR SIGNED LETTERS.

Small Town Tongues

(EDITORS NOTE: The following editorial appeared in the Christmas edition of The McLean News last year, and was one of the McLean News' editorials which won first place in the Texas Press Association state contest.)

A lot of people around here always thought that boy would come to a bad end. A boy I called him...but he was really a man by the time he got the death sentence for his crimes.

He seemed like a nice enough kid, though...the way he took care of his mother after his daddy died...helped out with that huge passel of kids that were left. Course, he was the oldest, so it was sort of his responsibility to take care of his mother and the kids.

But I've been here long enough that I remember before he was born, how his daddy started courtin' the little girl who was his mother. I always said he was too old for her, and then they got married so quick and the baby came early, too early. It created a scandal, I tell you. But it didn't seem to affect that momma and daddy. They always treated that boy like he was something special, even when he was a little kid. I guess they just spoiled him rotten.

I remember that not too long after the boy was born the daddy got into some sort of trouble with the law and took the family off and stayed away from here for a few years. I figured it was 'cause they didn't want anybody to know how early that baby was born.

But after they came back they entered right into church life, and the life of the community. In fact the boy seemed to have a special feeling for church, and maybe that's where all the trouble started.

There were some wild preachers back in those days. The boy and some of his friends went to hear one of 'em, and he and his friends even got baptized, the old fashioned way...dunked in a river.

And that was about the time he just took off. A grown man...just walked out and left his momma...and took up with the sorriest bunch of poverty-stricken rejects you ever saw. They started going around the country, doing crazy things, saying they were gonna start a new church, and you can bet that the rumors got back here. I felt so sorry for his momma.

No, sir, the last few years he lived, he sure wasn't welcome in this town.

You just wouldn't believe all the stories that started coming back about some of the escapades he and his buddies pulled. And if I had time, I'd tell you all of them.

But suffice it to say, that he ended up like you might guess...caught in the big city, tried and convicted, and last spring he was executed. I don't know what happened to his friends...I guess they just drifted away after he died.

I can tell you that we sure hope our small town doesn't have any more like him for awhile.

Yes, sir, here in Nazareth, we've had all the bad publicity we can stand.

MERRY CHRISTMAS MERRY CHRISTMAS

ON YOUR PAYROLL

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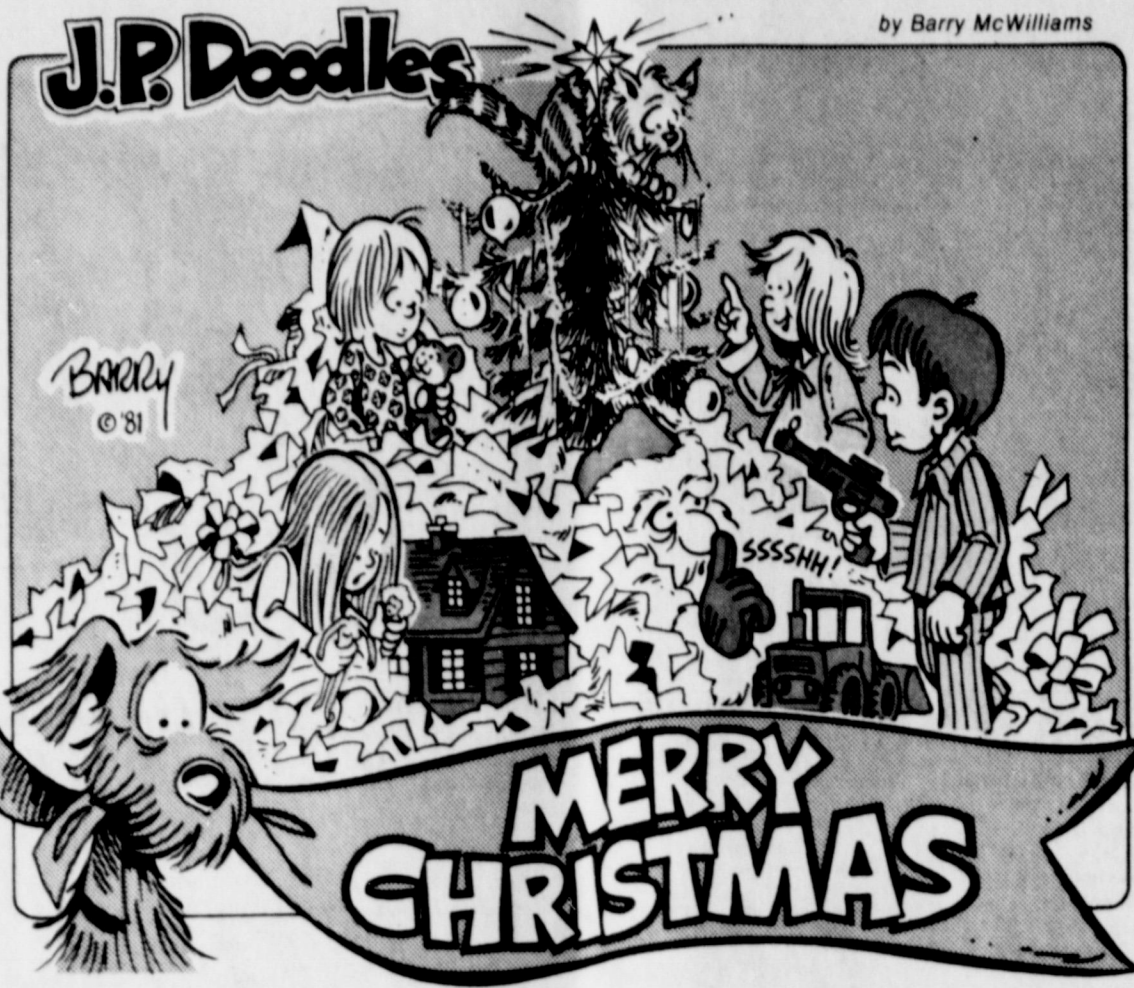
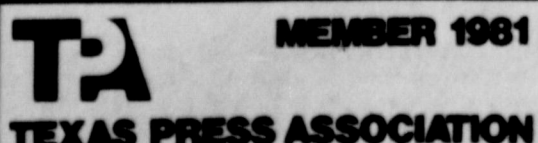
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DEATHS

JANIS RUTH HOLMES BAXTER

Mrs. Janis Ruth Holmes Baxter, 35, died Saturday in Amarillo.

Services were Monday at Shamrock First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Todd Dyess, pastor, the Rev. Jerry Howe of Miami Baptist Church and the Rev. Ronald L. McCrary of St. Matthew Episcopal Church in Pampa, officiating.

Mrs. Baxter, a native of Sayre, Okla., had been a lifelong Shamrock resident. She was a 1964 graduate of Shamrock High School and received a bachelor's degree in education from Texas Tech University and a master's degree in education from North Texas State University.

She had been a librarian at Phillips Junior High School and at McLean High School and had served as administrative assistant to former state Rep. Phil Cates. She helped organize Red River Savings & Loan in Shamrock and was an employee there.

Mrs. Baxter was active in the Top of Texas Federated Women's Club District and president of Shamrock Thursday Fine Arts Club. She was a past Worthy Advisor of Shamrock Rainbow Girls and a member of Top of Texas Cow-

belles, Kappa Gamma Alumnae of Amarillo and Saturday Bridge Club.

In 1972, she married Ken Baxter in Shamrock.

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Annabelle Baxter; a son, Hugh Davison Baxter; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Holmes of Shamrock; and two sisters, Mrs. Mary K. Snell of Amarillo and Mrs. Julia Beth Henderson of Dallas.

WRECK

The truck traveled 410 feet after it left the road. It turned over on its left side, pinning the driver in the wreck. He was rescued by the McLean Ambulance Service after being trapped for about one hour. He was taken to Shamrock Hospital.

Another wreck occurred Dec. 15 about 5:40 p.m. when a 1977 White truck driven by Bary K. Simpkins of Los Angeles, Calif. ran into the rear of a truck stopped at the red light at the corner of Main and Interstate-40. The stopped truck was driven by Willis E. Dorsett of Sayre, Okla. Neither driver was injured in the accident.

The third accident was Dec. 16 at 10:15 a.m. 5.4 miles east

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of McLean when a 1974 Chevrolet pickup driven by Arthur Zola Prager of Odessa eased off the right side of the road. The driver oversteered, losing control of the vehicle. The pickup went through the median and landed on its right side in the east bound lane. There were no injuries in the incident.

The fourth wreck was Dec. 19 at 2:50 a.m. when a 1978 Ford van driven by Jimmy Cunningham of McLean ran through the flashing red light at the corner of Main and Interstate-40 west. The van hit a 1981 Plymouth driven by U.S. Army Captain Jerry Lee Riemersma of Austin. Riemersma was slightly injured in the accident.



Drug trafficking in Texas is bad and getting worse every day. The drug pushers reap more than \$5 billion every year in illegal profits — at the expense of men, women, and children in our state. The drug dealers are a destructive element in Texas and they must be stopped. It's time to blow the whistle on them, and the people of Texas now have a way to do just that.

Recognizing that citizen involvement constitutes a vital part of the law enforcement effort in Texas, Governor William P. Clements, Jr. and the Texas Legislature created a new statewide anti-crime hotline under the Crime Stoppers Advisory Council. The unanimous support of this program stems from the success of 44 local Crime Stoppers programs across Texas.

For the month of January, 1982, the Crime Stoppers Advisory Council is focusing its statewide "Crime of the Month" program on drug trafficking. Any citizen having information about major drug trafficking should call the Texas Crime Stoppers Council at 1-800-252-TIPS. Cash rewards are available for information leading to the arrest and indictment of drug traffickers. Citizens do not have to reveal their name, just their information, and they will be given a unique code number for identification purposes.

The Crime Stoppers Advisory Council, created within the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office, is charged with four responsibilities: (1) advising and assisting in the creation of local Crime Stoppers programs, (2) encouraging citizens with knowledge of a crime to come forward — without revealing their identity — with their information, (3) promoting the program through Texas' news media, and (4) assisting in channeling information about crime to the appropriate Texas law enforcement agency for follow-up investigation.

The 1981 Texas Legislature provided the state's criminal justice system with important new tools to find the top drug traffickers in Texas and stiff laws with which to prosecute them. Through the new statewide Crime Stoppers program, the Legislature also provided a mechanism for the citizens of Texas to help stop this menace in our state.

The Crime Stoppers Advisory Council will work with local Crime Stoppers programs to help shut down drug trafficking in Texas. Call 1-800-252-TIPS today with your information on major drug traffickers in our state, to help protect you and your family from these organized criminals.

SEASONS GREETINGS SEASONS GREETINGS

Senator Bill Sarpalius Reports



AND JUSTICE . . . FOR A CHANGE?

AUSTIN — Most of us would agree that we have problems with our system of criminal justice. We have problems in our methods of preventing crime, compensating crime victims and doing something with the criminals after we catch them.

The Texas House and Senate are studying these very problems, with an eye toward making some recommendations to the next Legislature about how to improve these areas. We have formed a committee, with Speaker Bill Clayton as chairman, to examine the entire criminal justice system of Texas, and see where we need to go for the better.

Of course, to know where we need to go, we need to know where we have been and where we are now. That's exactly the point of our first few committee hearings.

The criminal justice system of Texas is quite complex. There are at least a dozen state agencies and bodies involved in finding, trying and punishing criminals, not to mention crime prevention. This dozen also does not include federal, county or local agencies and departments. We need to know how these agencies fit together, if they do, and why not, if they don't fit together.

This should help reduce duplication of services, and still make sure we have

covered all the areas we need to cover. We hope this will save taxpayers money.

We want to find out what problems these agencies have encountered, at the agency level and for the criminal justice system as a whole. We need their ideas on crime prevention.

Each agency has, or should have, certain objectives. We need to clarify these objectives and see if these objectives can be met.

States have an advantage in being able to compare problems and progress with each other. We plan to see if other states are doing a better job dealing with crime than Texas. If they are, we want to know what they are doing that we should be doing.

We have to focus on crime prevention, and crime prevention will be a major part of our study. Crime prevention has to begin with young people. For this reason, we will place major emphasis on the work the Texas Youth Council is doing.

You are the people most affected by crime, and we want to hear your ideas about what we should do. Many times the regular person on the street has held the solution to problems the Legislature has faced, and we want to listen to what you want to say. Please write to Senator Bill Sarpalius, P.O. Box 12068, Austin, Texas 78711.

LINES
 by
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 O'RIGKK



Yuletide has so many enticed,
 Eating and drinking have sufficed;
 Let's change our December,
 And always remember;
 The first part of Christmas is Christ!

Attention Vietnam Veterans!

AUSTIN — Scientists at the University of Texas and the State Department of Health will soon be examining veterans of the Vietnam War in order to determine the impact of Agent Orange, a chemical defoliant used widely in Vietnam, on those veterans and their families. The program becomes available January 1, 1982.

Texas State Representatives Bill Keese of Somerville, Jerry Benedict of Angleton, and Larry Shaw of Big Spring were successful in the last Session of the Texas Legislature in establishing the Agent Orange Assistance Program. The Agent Orange Bill, though opposed by the state's powerful Texas Chemical Council, was passed without one dissenting vote. The bill was termed crucial to the recognition of the Vietnam vet and relevant illnesses.

Keese said about 23,000 Texas veterans appear to have been contaminated by Agent Orange. From 1961 to 1970, over 50 million pounds of the highly potent chemical was dumped over Vietnamese jungles and near U.S. Army and Air Force bases. Agent Orange is composed of the chemical compounds 2,3,5-T and 2,4-D, similar chemicals to that used in domestic agricultural applications, though in weaker solutions. Restrictions were placed on 2,4,5-T in 1970 after it was linked to miscarriages in Oregon. However, despite such restrictions, it is still in wide use.

Keese, and the other legislators, are urging veterans of the Vietnam War who may have been exposed to Agent Orange to contact their family physician. Exposure to Agent Orange may have affected those who were involved in the mixing or preparation of defoliants, in the application of defoliants by air, ground or boat, or in assignments which brought them in contact with sprayed areas or spraying equipment.

Keese said the State Health Department will gather data in order to identify veterans who may be suffering from potential exposure while the University of Texas medical schools conduct fat biopsies, sperm studies and genetic counseling. Veterans who believe that they have been exposed to the chemical are responsible for initiating the first step: asking their family doctor to submit a report to the State Health Department. The doctor is required to list the veterans symptoms. In turn, the agency will send the vet a questionnaire asking about the vet's military background and assignments.

The questionnaire also asks details about exposure from other chemical applications, such as with agricultural and industrial chemicals they have encountered as civilians and about their family's cancer history.

Once again, Keese and the other legislators, Jerry Benedict and Larry Shaw, urge all Vietnam veterans to contact their physician if they suffer from the following symptoms: skin rash (chloracne), sleeplessness, loss of sex drive, miscarriages, birth defects, cancer, liver damage, blood disorders, or nerve damage.

Further information can be obtained from:
 Dr. George Anderson, The Brotherhold of Vietnam Veterans, 7212 Sir Gawain St., Austin, Texas 78745
 Orange Assistance Program, Department of Health, 1100 West 49th St., Austin, Texas 78756 (Ph: AC 512-458-7251)

DISTAFF

is usually the case at this paper, and I just didn't stop to check my sources. Editor Williams has more courage than I do, however. Since I have never claimed perfection, I have hesitated to point out my fellow editors' errors, knowing full well that they would be glad to recip-

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 rocate. Almost everything in a newspaper is done hurriedly, under a great deal of pressure to meet deadlines. And that sometimes causes goofs. But to each of you who caught the attribution error (and especially to all my former students!), please accept my apologies.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS HAPPY HOLIDAYS HAPPY HOLIDAYS



THIS SANTA AND his three lovely helpers delivered clothes and toys to some McLean children who might not have had a Christmas. The group, who wishes to remain anonymous, raised about \$300 and collected good clothes and 110 books of stamps to aid the children of three families. Aren't McLean people great? (Photo by Lisa Patman)

THE McLEAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS SPONSORING

a blood drive in McLean

JANUARY 5

from 4 p. m. to 7 p. m.

at the Church of Christ Annex

All blood donated may be credited to your account or credited to McLean's account for use by McLean people in case of illness or accident.

This is vitally important for our town. For more information call Boyd Lee Thompson at 779-2209.

GIVE BLOOD...THE GIFT OF LIFE

Trooper R. C. Parker Retires From Department Of Public Safety



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY trooper R. C. Parker is ending 30 years of service Dec. 31 when he retires. (Photo Courtesy of R. C. Parker)

On New Year's Eve, Department of Public Safety trooper R. C. Parker will end 30 years of service to the State of Texas, with 29 of those years spent right here in McLean. Parker attended the DPS Academy at Camp Mabry in Austin in 1952 and after he completed his training, he was stationed in Amarillo. In February of 1953, he moved to McLean.

Parker said things were a lot different in the department when he came here. "There were no troopers in Groom, Shamrock, or Wellington," he said. "I worked Collingsworth, Carson, Gray, Wheeler, and Donley counties." Parker said that the department in Amarillo had only 17 employees, and there are now about 100.

"Radio communications in those days were non-existent," he said.

During his almost 30 years of service, Parker has received nine commendations. Law officers always face a danger of violence, Parker says, and he has apprehended all kinds of criminals during his tenure, from bank robbers to armed robbers to simple traffic violators. "But I never had anyone pull a gun on me," the 6'1", 230 lb. trooper smiles.

"When I first started, it was before the civil rights movement," Parker says. "There were no minorities in the DPS then and a lot of the laws on human rights have changed."

He was named the outstanding Panhandle Officer of the Year one year. "I've considered it an honor to serve the

people as a member of the department," Parker says. "The biggest reward to this job is the personal satisfaction." Parker says he has particularly enjoyed working with people, and helping people when they need it.

He says the toughest part of his job has been investigating accidents where there was a fatality or serious personal injury. "Years ago before the highway (I-40) was divided the incidence of fatal wrecks was awfully high, and then again when they had the two-lane there were a lot of fatal accidents, and those are tough to investigate," Parker said.

When asked if he would recommend his job to a young man thinking of becoming a highway patrolman, Parker grinned. "I like almost every aspect of my job. The salary is adequate now for a family. You won't get rich, but you can make a living. There's a good retirement program for men and women," he said. The hardest thing Parker said is the adjustment required of the family. "They have to get used to you being called out at night, and working all holidays when you'd rather be with your family," he said.

His family consists of his wife, the former Martha Hogan, whom he married Jan. 4, 1948, and four children. The oldest, Bryan, 33, is vice-president of First National Bank in Sweetwater. He and his wife, the former Loyce Husted, have two sons. The next oldest, Brad, is following in his father's footsteps. He is a trooper with the DPS, sta-

tioned in Canyon. He and his wife, the former Brenda Brown, have three children. The only daughter in the family, Michelle, is married to Kenneth Bell. They live in Pampa and have two children. The youngest child, Ken, is a senior student at Texas Tech University, majoring in Range Science.

Parker came to law enforcement after serving a hitch in the United States Marines during World War II. He went into the service following his graduation from Mobeetie High School in 1941, and took his basic training in San Diego, California, and advanced training at Camp Pendleton. He saw action in the Asiatic Pacific theatre during the war. After he got out of the service in 1945, he worked in the oil fields for a short while before joining the department in 1952.

Since living in McLean, he has been an active member of First United Methodist Church where he serves on the Administrative Board. He is also president of Methodist Men, and a member of the Masonic Lodge. Parker said his main hobbies are hunting quail and dove, and collecting pocket knives, a hobby he began about 10 years ago.

When asked what he plans to do in the future, Parker said that department rules kept him from announcing any definite plans until his retirement, but whatever he decides to do, it will undoubtedly involve serving the people of McLean. It's a habit for Parker that will be too hard to break.



WHEN R. C. PARKER was first stationed in McLean in 1953, sons Bryan, left, and Brad, were two. The boys are admiring dad's Department of Public Safety uniform. (Photo Courtesy of R. C. Parker)

McLean Briefs

Mrs. Georgia Beasley of Pampa visited with friends here on Friday.

Mrs. Davie Gipson is a patient in the High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Parker visited with their son Bryan and his family in Sweetwater. From there they went to Austin, where R.C. received a retirement plaque from the Department of Public Safety. On their return trip they visited with her brother, Bud Hogan and his family in Grandbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Morgan are visiting in Abilene with their children and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Deering, Cherish, Taylor and Aaron.

Jean Longino and Eva Peabody spent Friday in Clarendon with Mrs. Blanche Smith and other relatives.

Mrs. Chick Wood had as her guests during the weekend, Janet Smith, Timothy and Stacey Hess of Amarillo, Joe and Joe Kelly Clark of Lefors, Mr. and Mrs. Alanzo Wood and children.

Mary Powell and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Trew were in Pampa Monday and attended funeral services for Mrs. Lizzie Henry.

Mr. and Mrs. Skip Morgan and daughters, Monique and Penny of Pampa spent Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Shelton.

Mrs. Ted Longino and Mrs. Don Trew were in Shamrock on Wednesday.

Mrs. Dick Dennis of Dallas is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Evan Sitter.

Mrs. Kenneth Bell and children, Matthew and Kristen of Pampa spent Thursday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Milam and children, Tom and Le were in Panhandle Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Powell.

Mrs. Bernice Stephenson of Claude was here Wednesday and had dinner with Mrs. Virginia Dalton. Other dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Enloe Crisp, Laverne Back and Doris Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Trew were in Amarillo on business on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Odol Hill of Prattville, Alabama and Neil (Red) Hill of Bellflower, Calif. visited here recently with their sister, Mrs. Mug Castleberry and Mrs. Hill's brother, Bob Sherrod and their families.

Guests Saturday evening for dinner and a musical in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Trew were Mr. and Mrs. Alton Gill of Miami, and from Perryton, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Trew, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Burkhalter, Roger Gibson, Walter Johnson of Borger, and Greg Jones of Lubbock and Delbert, Ruth Don, Barbara, Judy, Carter and Dean Trew of McLean.

ALANREED BRIEFS

The Daniel's daughters Christi and Kara were home during the weekend.

Visiting Lena Carter Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Carter of Pampa. Mrs. Jerry Carter was just home from Houston where her father is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Gibson were in Pampa on business Tuesday.

Polly Harrison and Lena Carter were in Pampa on Wednesday.

The Don Horin family spent the weekend in Borger.

Polly Harrison visited in Lubbock and Houston this week.

S. C. Fish made a trip to Pampa on Monday for medical treatment on his neck.

Robert Bruce made a trip to the Fort Worth area last week.

The W. H. Davis' spent this week in Panhandle and Amarillo with their children.

Paul Macina Elected To Board Of Directors Of Farm Bureau

A cattleman from this area has been elected to the board of directors of Texas Farm Bureau, the largest general farm organization in the state. Paul T. Macina of Shamrock was nominated by members of his district, TFB District 1, and elected by the voting delegates to Texas Farm Bureau's 48th annual convention in Corpus Christi recently.

Macina is a cattleman who also raises wheat and milo in Wheeler County. He has been active in the Wheeler County Farm Bureau as a member of the board of directors for five years, and as president for two years.

A native of the Shamrock area, Macina attended Sham-

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to the family of Lizzie Henry who passed away Dec. 18, 1981. We will miss her greatly.

Janie Pitman is still in the hospital in Pampa. We wish her a speedy recovery.

We welcome a new resident, Thelma Leone Steed from the Amarillo Nursing Center.

Sunday morning, children from the Baptist church came to our Home to sing Christmas carols for our residents. In the afternoon members of the Methodist church were here to conduct church services.

Monday, 17 residents played Bingo. Assisting Charlene Barker was Lena Bailey.

Tuesday, several of our residents made individual Christmas trees for their rooms. Our volunteer helpers were Linda Syfrett, Billie Kingston, and Virginia Tolleson.

Wednesday, members of the Methodist church returned for a Bible Study. That evening the ladies from Beta Sigma Phi were here to sing Christmas carols. We thank you ladies for the beautiful basket of fresh fruit you brought for the residents.

Thursday, children from the Alanzed Elementary School were here to present our residents with a Christmas program entitled "Santa and the Snowmobile." Thank you Janet Glass for making this possible, we really enjoyed the play and the children did a great job.

Friday, we had a record attendance at our "Family Night" Christmas Dinner. Turkey, ham and dressing was furnished by the Home. We all had a great time.

The Beta Sigma Phi have adopted one of our residents, Lula Sheegog as their Special Friend. We are planning to get more adopted Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles after the first of the year.

rock High School, and he has been active in the local Kiwanis Club.

Macina has two children - Michael Paul, 13, and Kimberly Kay, 10.

Elected to a two-year term, Macina replaces retiring TFB board member Jack Osborne of Pampa. Osborne has served three two-year terms, the maximum allowed for tenure of TFB state directors.

Macina's district, TFB District 1, includes the following counties: Armstrong, Carson, Childress, Collingsworth, Dalam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Gray, Hall, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Moore, Ochiltree, Oldham, Potter, Randall, Roberts, and Sherman.

Nursing Center News

We would like to take this opportunity to say Thank You to the following for their donations of gifts to the Home.

Lloyd and Wayne Bybee and Wanda Hindman for the beautiful Poinsettia tree.

Seibert and Francis Worley for the potted plant.

The ladies Auxiliary from the VFW and Mary Alice Barnett for the fresh fruit.

Cards and gifts for each resident brought in by Loree and J. B. Brown, Bernice and Digger Dean, also gifts from Leta Mae Hess.

Vera Back for the silver Christmas tree which we have all enjoyed.

We appreciate all who have volunteered their help in order to make Christmas more beautiful for our residents.

In The Kitchen

by Linda Haynes



Each Christmas we try to give our readers an extra gift by including several recipes in this column. Here are some recipes for delicious, quick desserts, and a couple to use that left-over turkey. Happy cooking and Merry Christmas!

LEMON CHEESE CAKE

1 deluxe lemon cake mix
2 (8 oz. pkgs.) cream cheese, softened
1 cup sour cream
1/2 cup sugar
Measure 1 cup dry cake mix; set aside. Combine remaining mix with 1 egg and 1/2 cup oil. Press into bottom of greased 13x9x2-inch pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 10 minutes. Meanwhile, combine reserve mix, 2 eggs, and remaining ingredients; beat at low speed for 2 minutes. Spread over crust. Bake at 350 about 35 minutes longer. Serve with dollop of whipped cream.

IMPOSSIBLE CHEESE-BURGER PIE

1 lb. ground beef
1 1/2 cups chopped onion
1/2 tsp. salt
1/4 tsp. pepper
1 1/2 cups milk
3/4 cup biscuit mix
3 eggs
2 tomatoes, sliced
1 cup shredded cheddar cheese
Heat oven to 400 degrees. Grease pie plate (10 inch). Brown beef and onions; drain. Stir in salt and pepper. Spread in plate. Beat milk, baking mix and eggs until smooth, 15 seconds in blender on high or 1 minute with hand beater. Pour into plate. Bake 25 minutes. Top with tomatoes; sprinkle with cheese. Bake until knife inserted in center comes out clean, 5 to 8 minutes. Cool.

CREAM TURKEY WITH BISCUITS

2 cups biscuit mix
2 tablespoons sugar
3/4 cup milk
1 egg
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
2 medium green peppers, cut into strips
1/2 pound mushrooms, sliced (substitute canned)
1 small onion, diced
1 can cream of mushroom soup
1 1/4 can pitted ripe olives, drained and cut in half
1 2-ounce jar diced pimiento, drained
1/2 cup dried bread crumbs
1 tablespoon water
1 teaspoon grated onion
1/2 tsp. salt
1/8 tsp. pepper
1 egg
butter
2 hamburger buns
Mix first seven ingredients and 1 tablespoon butter. Shape into two patties. In skillet, melt 1 tablespoon butter; add patties and cook about 10 minutes, or until golden brown, turning once.

EASY, EASY APPLE DUMPLINGS

6 apples, pared and cored
3 tablespoons raisins
3 tablespoons chopped nuts
1/2 cup water
1/2 cup granulated sugar
1/2 cup packed brown sugar
2 tsp. cinnamon
1 cup biscuit mix
1 tablespoon sugar
1 tablespoon margarine, melted
1/4 cup milk
Heat oven to 425 degrees. Grease rectangular baking dish (12x7x2). Arrange apples close together in pan. Mix raisins and nuts; fill each apple. Pour water over apples. Mix 1/2 cup granulated sugar, the brown sugar and cinnamon; sprinkle over apples. Bake uncovered 20 minutes.

Mix remaining ingredients until soft dough forms; beat vigorously 20 strokes. Gently smooth dough into ball on board well dusted with baking mix. Knead 8 or 10 times. Roll dough into rectangle, 11x7 inches; place over hot apples. Cut small sciss-cross in dough on top of each apple. Bake until brown, 20-25 minutes. Spoon sauce over top and serve with ice cream if desired.

TURKEY BURGERS

1 cup diced cooked turkey

Leroy Acy Assigned To Colorado Air Base

Airman Leroy M. Acy, Jr., son of Jeannine M. Atkinson of McLean, Texas, has

been assigned to Lowry Air Force Base, Colo., after completing Air Force basic training.

Salvation Army Fund Drive Begins

The annual fund-raising drive for the Salvation Army kicked off in McLean last week according to drive chairman Rush Turner, with 47 workers canvassing the town. The money raised in the drive will be used to help transients who come through McLean and need help.

Social Security Representative Will Be In Shamrock In January

A representative of the Pampa Social Security office will be in Shamrock Jan. 4, Jan. 11, Jan. 18, and Jan. 25 from 9:45 a.m. to noon at the Justice of the Peace Court at 122 W. 2nd. The representative will be glad to assist you in filing an application for Social Security Retirement, Survivors, Disability, Medicare or Supplemental Income Benefits.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an association degree in applied science through the Community College of the Air Force.

The airman will now receive specialized instruction in the avionics systems field.

He is a 1981 graduate of McLean High School.

John Hay

Pride is the mask of one's own faults. Hebrew Proverb

John Hay

1956

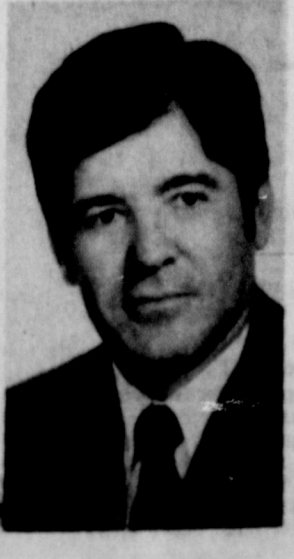
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The children of Mr. and Mrs. Don Trew request the pleasure of your company at a reception to celebrate the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of their parents

on Sunday, the twenty-seventh of December Nineteen hundred and eighty-one from two until four o'clock in the afternoon

McLean Country Club
McLean, Texas
No gifts, please

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PAUL MACINA

LETTERS TO SANTA



Dear Santa,
I am 2½ years old and my name is Shandon. I want a motorcycle, a train, and a football for Christmas. You might bring me some more things like blocks and trucks and a rodeo set, too.
My little sister Shaley just wants a doll, but you can bring her some more things, too. We've both been pretty good, except Shaley bites me.

Love,
Shandon and Shaley Stalls

Dear Santa Claus,
I am going to be a very good boy and do what Mom and Dad tell me to do. I am going to help Mom take care of Erica. I will eat my meals and keep my toys picked up. I would like an Alphonse, a big jumping horse, a counting game, a guitar, a football helmet, a whip for my cow, a little bitty alphonse for Erica, some house shoes for Mom, a strawberry shortcake for Mom, a Denver Bronco helmet for dad, a billfold full of dollars for me to buy blue cookies, some Dukes of Hazard cars, and a strawberry shortcake for Erica.

Have a Merry Christmas,
Love,
Richard Greenfield

P.S. Thank you very much.

Dear Santa,
We are not going to be at home. We are going to Minneapolis K.s. at Grandma and Grandpa French's.
Please bring my Christmas present there.
I would like to have a Barbie Doll set, and some Lock Blocks. I have been good. Please don't forget to bring Mommy and Daddy something.

Please don't forget the children without Mommy and Daddy.
Love,
Mellinda Marie French
Alanreed Tx

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Barbie and tent and clothes for the Barbie.

Love,
Jamie

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bone.

Love,
Kissie

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a dog, a Pretty Cut and Grow Doll, and a Baby Buggy.

I have tried to be good. Thank you for the toys.
Love,
Rhonda Glass

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Pretty Cut and Grow Doll, a western Bardie, and a car. I have been good. Thanks.

Love,
Tracy

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a toy pickup, tractor, and a plow. I have tried to be good. Thank you for the toys.

Love,
Johnny Canto Walker

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll and a dollhouse and a toy dog. I have tried to be good. Thank you for the toys.

Love,
Sheryl Trotter

Dear Santa,
Please bring me an Army suit, a log loader for my electric truck, more track, and the Bullfrog game. Thank you for the toys.

Love,
Quilliam Rutherford

Dear Santa,
Please bring me the Dukes of Hazard service station and a football. I have tried to be good. Thank you.

Love,
Vance Rodgers

Dear Santa,
Please bring me an Army suit an Army kit, and a bike. I have been good. Thanks.

Love,
Clay Reynolds

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Dukes of Hazard Racetrack, a football, and a green pickup with trailer. I have tried to be good. Thank you for the toys.

Love,
David McCarty

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Pretty Cut and Grow Doll. I have tried to be good. Thank you for the toy.

Love,
Becki McCarty

Dear Santa,
My name is Shelly Holland. I am 3 years old and have tried to be a good girl. Please bring me a highchair, a vacuum cleaner, a dolly and some surprises.

Love,
Shelly

P.S. I will leave you some goodies on the hearth.

Dear Santa,
My name is Joetta Bailey. I've been a pretty good girl, and wish you would bring me a Baby Ann doll, play make-up, Bugs Bunny talking phone, Alphonse the Robot and an Operation game. I have a big brother, Mark, who would like a tractor, a windmill, some little trucks, a helicopter and a big winch truck. He has been a good boy this year.
Will leave some cookies and milk by the tree. Thank you.
Love,
Joetta and Mark Bailey

P.S. Daddy said not to forget him.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a tape recorder, makeup and a new ring. I have tried to be good. Thank you for the toys.
Love,
Katrice Littlefield

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Pretty Cut and Grow, a race track, and make up.
I have tried to be good. Thank you for the toys.
Love,
Geneva Hill

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a football, a Three Wheeler, and a B-B Gun, I have tried to be good. Thanks for the toys.
Love,
Billy John Hennig

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Pretty Cut and Grow, makeup, and tapes for my recorder. I have tried to be good. Thank you for the toys.
Love,
Holly Hefley

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Pretty and Grow Doll, a Barbie and a Trampoline.
I have tried to be good. Thank you for the toys.
Love,
Robbyn Griffin

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Tippy Toes doll, a trampoline, and a See and Say Talk and Learn System.
I have tried to be good. Thank you for the toys.
I love you
Melissa Darsey

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Dukes of Hazard Race track. I have tried to be good. Thanks for the toys.
Love,
Dean Crockett

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a trampoline, and a Dukes of Hazard Barnbuster. Thank you for the toys. I have tried to be good.
Love,
Mike Campbell

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a three wheeler, shot gun, and a mini-bike. I have tried to be good. Thank you for the toys.
Love,
Ben Brass

Dear Santa,
Please bring me new clothes for my baby; a tent; and a toy car. I have tried to be good. Thank you for the toys.
Love,
Patsy Barker

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bike. I have tried to be good. Thank you for the toy.
Love,
Michael Barker

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a cry doll, a baby buggy and a ball, I have tried to be good. Thank you.
Love,
Angie Bailey

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Doll and a Bike. I have tried to be good. Thank you for the toys.
Love,
Mari Isabel Andaverdi

Dear Santa,
Please bring me dishes, a play car, and a big doll. I have tried to be good. Thank you for the toys.
Love,
Peggy Adams

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Prettie Cut and Grow, and western Barbie. I have tried to be good. Thank you for the toys.
Love,
Stacie Holland

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Holly Hobby, Night and Day, Doll, a Trampoline, and a ring. I have tried to be good. Thank you for the toys.
Love,
Kisha Rigsby

Dear Santa,
I've been good. I want a Dallas Cowboy uniform, a tape recorder with a cassette player, some cassettes for the tape recorder, some clothes, and remember my brothers and my sister.

Love,
Donald Harris

Dear Santa,
I have been a pretty good girl this year. I would like a baby and some makeup. I can hardly wait until you get here and I'm sorry, but I know my momma won't let me stay up to tell you "hi." My little brother Scott has been a real good boy and he would like a tractor and some new horses. We love you.

Love,
Charis Roberts

Dear Santa,
I've been good. I would like a football, guitar, and a skateboard. Don't forget my big sister, Angie, and my little brother, Clay.
Love,
Alicia Reynolds

Dear Santa,
I have been good. But I got a present anyway. I want a football, a baseballbat, a pair of shoes, like cleets or spikes.
Love,
Shane Coleman

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I want a basketball, atari game, pinball machine, a big barbie doll house, tape recorder and a horse. And don't forget my big brother, Bobby.
Love,
Deanna Sprinkles

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I would like a football, bow and arrow, a Earl Cambell book, and a electronic football game for Christmas.
Love,
Jason Sheets

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I need a pair of spurs. But I'd like a pinball machine. My brother would like to have a cowboy hat.
Love,
Tres Hess

Dear Santa,
I've been good I guess. I want a 10 speed bike, a tape recorder, an atari, pants size 11 reglur, cowboy hat, belt, crocheted doll, a blue one, a sewing set, a crocheting set, barrettes, records, like Disco Mikey mouse, Urban Chimpuck, Barbar Mandrell, Rick Springfield, Grease, litghing, Jump suit, earrings, tee shirt size 10, rings, and Laura Ingalls-Wilder books.
Love your friend,
Sissy Barker

Dear Santa,
I guess I have been O.K. And here's what I want:
A Barbie dream house,
A Barbie dream pool,
a big barbie case,
some more barbie clothes,
a ken doll it's a boy barbie doll,
I would like a new big stocking that's got my name on it and a stocking full of candy. I guess that's all. By Santa. Oh don't forget my brother!
Love,
Marilee French

Dear Santa Clause,
I have been a good girl.
I would like a race track, socker ball, a boys bike even though I am a girl, some shoes size 13, and a TV set, cowboy boots size 13, barbie doll, and pants.
Love you,
Cheri Lee Layfield

P.S. Don't forget my little brother the only brother I've got.

Dear Santa,
I've been good I guess.
I would like a bed alarm clock and a Rubic cube.
Love,
Kim Orrick

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I want a set of makup. And a 10 speed bike. Because its lonely out in the country. I want sandals size 12. I want wood burn set. That's all I got to say.
Love,
Sandra Hensley

Dear Santa,
I have been good I guess. I would like a bike for Christmas. I would like it a tenspeed. I would like it brown or blue. And I would also like a basketball and a black quarter horse.
Love,
Danna Watson

Dear Santa
I've been good. I want a dirtbike, and I want a gocart, and I want a motorbike, and I want a horse.
Love,
Frank Reynolds

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, any kind of one, and a smaller home, and a pinballmchine and don't forget my sister. She wants a coat. My brother wants a race car set and I need some clothes and shoes and socks. I want a soccer ball and a Barbie doll set for my Barbie and I want a swimming pool and a reckerd player and a little TV. I can put in my room. I want a new timex watch, But Santa you don't have to bet me all of that and you can get it if you want to because I really do want that ok. Well I think that is all.
Love,
Kellie Beck

Dear Santa,
I have learned a good lesson. When it turned December I was happy. I had been good but one person named Donald makes fun of me. One day my mom bought a coat a kid said it was his so we got in to a fight. He lost, so I said I was sorry and we became friends. I want for christmas is a football and a racecarset.
Thats all.
Ho Ho Ho
Love, Johnny Langley

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and a new chrissmas tree, shoes, and a football, and some snow in McLean.
Love,
Kane Hauck

Dear Santa
I've been good and I want atari, football, clothes, football uniform, Dallas, Thats all right now.
Love,
Brian Bischoff

Dear Santa,
We've been very good. Would you bring us a horse? Would you please bring me a mask and gun and hat.
Scotty wants a little Folkswagon
We'll leave you a snack on the dining room table.
Love,
Andy and Scotty Glass

Dear Santa,
I want baby bunk beds, stroller, and makeup. I've been good. I love you. I'll leave milk for you and sugar for the reindeers. I'll leave you some spaghetti o's to eat and some water for your reindeers. Landon wants a horse and trailer.
Love,
Lindsay

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Barbie Doll, Barbie Car, and a bunch of clothes for Barbie. I would also like a digital watch. I have been a pretty good girl this year.

I love you,
Peggy

LETTERS TO SANTA



Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good girl. I have been shopping with my grandmother. She has a little friend that she checked on some clothes for. If you could Santa, I would like to have some clothes like those. I would also like a Barbie. Remember my brothers. Be sure and see all the other children of the world.
Love,
Dekki Dawn

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, play phone and simon.
Thank you,
Misty Lewis

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a guitar, Dukes cycle, and a gun case.
Thank You,
Jeremy Thomas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, a doctor kit, and a talking phone.
Thank you,
Julie McCrary

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bicycle, walkie-talkies and a B.B. gun.
Thank you,
Michael Young

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, crying baby and a ring.
Thank you,
Erin McCracken

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a train, race track and some army men.
Thank you,
Andy Layfield

To Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas. I would like a bike and I would like a doll and a dollhouse and I would like a Father Christmas doll.
Love From
Shakuntia Patel

To Santa:
I want a fire away and a race car set, a new bike, a Tom and Jerry Game, a football and an Auto Truckway.
Love,
Lester Lee

Dear Santa,
I like you very much. I would like an Atari set and a TCR remote control race track, a Fire Away and a Country Christmas Record.
Until next Christmas, Merry Christmas To All
Love,
Jimmy Cummings

Dear Santa,
I want a football and an Atari set. Oh Santa I forgot...I'm 9 years old. I want a baby duck for my mom and for my dad a car.
Love,
Bobby Sherman

Dear Santa,
I want for Christmas a remote controlled race car and a football, a bike, a car and an auto Raceway, and a sled for snow.
Love
Derryl Langley

Dear Santa,
Im 9 years old. My name is Frances Hickman I'll tell you what I want I want for christmas. I want a bike, some pom-poms and roller skates.
Love,
Frances

Dear Santa,
I'm 8 years old. Please bring me a Star Wars Laser Pistol.
Love,
Mike Acuna

Dear Santa,
I want an Atari set and a set of barbells and a Mr. Microphone. I don't have a sister, but it's all for me.
I love you, Santa
From Keith Garrison

Dear Santa Claus,
Im 8 years old. I want a racetrack that the cars jump, and a football game, and batteries.
Love,
J.T. Haynes

Dear Santa,
I want a train, a race car set, and a van with blow up wheels. And I love you.
Jeffrey Vick

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a Danger Mountain Set and a few cars to go with it, a yellow boxing glove key chain, F15 Eagle model airplane. Thank you
Love,
Scott Green

Dear Santa,
Im 8 years old. Would you please get me a B B gun, a race car track, and a watch.
Love,
Jonathan Middleton

Dear Santa,
My name is Cash Carpenter. I am 8 years old. I want a watch and a "Run Yourself Ragged" game, a train set and other stuff.
Love,
Cash

Dear Santa,
I want a baton and a nerf soccerball. And my little sister wants a doll that cries and pom-poms.
Love,
Melissa Thomson

Dear Santa,
I'm 8 years old. I would like a bike or motorcycle, a B B gun, a race car set or you could bring me a horse.
Love,
Clay Christopher

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle and a fire away and a racecar and a rifle, and batteries.
Love,
Joe

Dear Santa,
I'm 8 year ol. My name is Hollie Hauck. I want a bike, a Simon, a baton, and some roller skates.
Love,
Hollie Hauck

Dear Santa,
I want shoulder pads, a football game, a watch and a racecar.
Love,
Johnny Mangum

Dear Santa,
I want a doll for Christmas and a house.
Love,
Grace DeLeon

Dear Santa,
I want an At-At, a B-B pistol, a saddle, a castle and some toy soldiers.
Love,
Ethan McCracken

Dear Santa,
I want some snow boots, a book, and some bells.
Love,
Lisa McClellan

Dear Santa,
I would like a go' cart and a pair of gloves.
Love,
Destry Magee

Dear Santa,
I want a football, a go cart, and a Houston Oilers jacket.
Love,
Tuffy Sanders

Dear Santa,
I want go-cart, saddle, toolset, 410 shot gun, and a walkie-talkie.
Love,
Chris Littlefield

Dear Santa,
I want a big yellow tractor and a bulldozer. Merry Christmas!
Love,
Matt Bailey

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll house, hot wheels and candy canes.
Thank you
Marci

Dear Santa, Please bring me a doll, a bicycle and a watch.
Thank you,
Corrie

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a gun, hot wheels, and a snowman.
Thank You
Shane Holloway

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a helicopter, race track and airplane.
Thank you
Hoyt West

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, a train and a bear.
Thank you,
Vance Coleman

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, picture dominos and simon.
Thank you,
Valerie Cole

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll and a doll house.
Thank you,
Leslie Bischoff

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a rifle, Tonka pick-up and a walkie-talkie.
Thank you,
Tommy Pennington

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a gun, B.B. gun and motorcycle.
Thank you,
Will Shaw

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, simon and a ring.
Thank you,
Christy Steward

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, Ken doll and books.
Thank you,
Mandy Mongrain

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a train, play car and a bicycle.
Thank you,
Elliot DeLeon

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a cube, a doll house and a bicycle.
Thank you,
Mindy Joe Magee

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, Barbie doll and a dollhouse.
Thank you,
Joetta Bailey

Dear Santa, Please bring me a cube, coloring book and a doll.
Thank You,
Roberta Warren

Dear Santa,
I want a Bware of the Spider, Magic Sand and a foot ball and remember all the other girls and boys and I have been a good boy this year.
Love,
Keith Robinson

Dear Santa,
I want a bike a doll, a Barbie doll, and a baby kitten.
Love,
Missy Young

Dear Santa,
I want a Pittsburg Steelers football suit. See if you have a Pittsburg Steelers cap. I want a reubbec cube, football, soccerball, football game, and a toolset. See if you have a baby kitten and I want the Dukes of Hazzard.
Love,
Clifford Immel

Dear Santa,
I want a Denver Broncos football suit, a helmet, football game, and a jacket.
Love,
Barry Bischoff

Dear Santa,
I want a reubic cube, make-up and horse cards.
Love,
Juliana Crockett

Dear Santa,
I have been extra good this year. I want a Dallas Cowboys Cheerleading suit, a Fresh n' Fancy, a doll and a stuffed animal.
Love,
Lee Erin Stubbs

Dear Santa,
I want a remote control General Lee for christmas.
Love,
Thomas Bo Green

Dear Santa,
I would like a bike and a football suit for Christman.
Love,
Jerett Coleman

Dear Santa,
I want a Houston Oiler jacket and a black and yellow bicycle.
Love,
David Johnson

Dear Santa,
I want a big rubic cube, makeup, a new doll, a new sun Barbie and some pom-poms.
Love,
Shanna Warren

Dear Santa,
I want drums and a microscope.
Love,
Tanner Hess

Dear Santa,
I want a Dallas Cowboy Cheerleading suit and some bells and make up.
Love,
Brandy Melton

Dear Santa,
I have ben a good boy this year. I would like a B.B Gun and a bike.
Love,
Joseph Flores

Dear Santa,
All I want is a football suit, a helmet, a football, a dirt bike.
Love,
David Crockett

Dear Santa,
I want a dirt bike, a go cart, a 22 magnum pistol, and a Dallas Cowboys jacket. I have been a good boy this year.
Love,
Dale Cole

Dear Santa,
I would like a bike, cowgirl boots, and some more books.
Love,
Heidi Lynn Syfrett

Dear Santa,
My name is Daniel Harris. I want a Denver Broncos football uniform and the Dukes of Hazzard farmhouse.
Love,
Daniel Harris

Dear Santa,
I want a new saddle.
Love,
Cody Gabel

LETTERS TO SANTA



Dear Santa,
My name is Tonia Lea Webster, and I am 5 years old! I have really been a good girl and helped mama alot! I would like for you to bring me a Hollie Hobbie, Lorie Walker Doll, Tippee Toe Doll, High Chair, Flip and Fold Fashions, remote control Barbie Corvette, Barbie Van, Doll Carriage, and Wester Barbie Horse! Please be sure and remember all the kids at Cherry's and Big Jim's! Please remember Deanna and Roy Don too! I will leave you some milk and cookies on the television. Thank you very much.
Love,
Tonia

Dear Santa Claus,
Last year when I wrote to you, I was an only child, expecting arrival of a "bundle of joy." I asked you to make sure he arrived here safely and could hardly wait for the joyous occasion. Well, the little brat arrived in February and has been anything but a "bundle of joy." So...I told him if he wanted anything from you, he was going to have to do the letter writing himself. I've had my room invaded by this midget more times than I care to recall, he's pulled out half my hair and teathed on some of my favorite babies. Despite all the suffering I've had to do, I have not let this ruin my sweet disposition and have been a really good girl, therefore I feel I'm entitled to a few Christmas goodies.
I would like a rocking chair to rock the few babies that are still in one piece. I would like a new baby with a diaper bag so I can at least look the part of the mommy since I practically am one, and my own doll house so I can escape those sticky little fingers.
I will leave you some cookies and punch. (I'll have to put them on top of the bookcase or Charlie might crawl up and get them.)
I love you
Kristina Carter

Dear Santa Claus,
I am only 10 months old, but have had to put up with so much already I feel like I should really make a haul this Christmas. Before I agreed to come to the Carter family, I was guaranteed that I would have the run of the house. Well, there was some kind of goof, because when I got home, I found there was already a girl there. I decided to put up with it as best I could. But...have you ever been changed and powdered or fed by a three-year-old? Do you know how hard it is to keep a smile on your face when your older sister is dragging you around the house and everyone is laughing at how cute we are? I've tried pulling her hair and chewing on her favorite dolls, but she insists on being my "second mother." Well, as I said before, I do think I deserve a few goodies for Christmas. I think I'd like one of those trains that runs on the bed, and a couple of stuffed toys and anything else you might throw in. I'd really appreciate it if you'd get my sister a baby so she'd leave me alone.
Love,
Charlie Carter

Dear Santa
I would like a bike, a race car set, some magic sand, a belt with my name on it, and some gloves. Don't forget my brother Keith. I wish you a merry, merry Christmas and help my grandmother.
Your friend,
James Wall

Dear Santa,
I've been good. I would like to have a dirt bike, a football, and stereo with speakers, and a race car track.
But most of all a new motorcycle.
Your friend,
Jimmy Armbrister

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I would like a chess game or a football, and a new pair of jeans.
Don't forget my brother, Shawn!
Your friend,
Robert Sanderson

Dear Santa Claus,
What I would really like is a million dollars, an expensive car, a new wardrobe, and a cruise around the world. But since that is asking so much on this late date, I'll settle on something of lesser value. I'd like clothes of all sorts (jeans, shirts, etc....) Any type of jewelry and lots of wranglers. I wouldn't mind a pair of cowboy boots either. Thanks.
Love,
M.B.
P.S. Would you please send one of those Scoot-a-beeta tapes sung by Spooky Scott-a-beeta Smith?

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a car. Not just a regular car but a fast sports car. And throw in a stereo system for the car and for my bedroom. If you could, see if you can find me a house. I don't want very much. Oh, if you could I would like to have all the gas I can get a hold of.
Sincerely yours,
T.R.M.

P.S. Throw in a pickup for my dad.
Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is a cassette player for my car and a new car. Have a nice Christmas. I want some more cassettes.
See you soon,
A.S.

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is Rhonda, plus a pick-up and a stereo. There is a few other things I want like a toothbrush, comb, one pair of shoe strings, nose picker, and a new zipper for my five years old pair of pants.
Sincerely yours
Eugene (Bobby)

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm 18 years old and an extremely good girl. I've tried hard all year to be good so I could have exactly what I want. I'd like lots of clothes, nice jewelry, and a trip Kansas to see all my relatives and friends.
Thanks Santa,
CM

Dear Santa,
I have wrote you more than a dozen letters. Why haven't you wrote back? I have asked you for more than a dozen things and you have not gave it to me. My mother, father, or brothers had to buy them.

This is the last time I will ask you for anything. So this year I want a digital watch with alarm and stop watch, a good football and a good basketball, I want a good cassette tape case. There may be other things I want but I can't think right now so I will say good bye till next year.
Sincerely Yours
D.D.M.

P.S. Forget the first paragraphs and the first sentence of the second paragraph. It's all a joke. So don't take it sircereously. I am just a mean kid.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girls so will you please bring me: a stereo, clothes, a car, warm-up suit, and last but not least, a million dollars.
Love ya!
Candi

Dear Santa
I tried to be good all year but it just didn't work. But since I tried give me some credit.
I want a new diamond ring and a gold chain and lots and lots of clothes. Well, I've got to go and try to be good a little longer.
Lots of love
Paige

Dear Santa,
I have been a real good girl this year so please bring me a year's supply of clothes and a new television. And please bring me an extra set of keys to my brothers car so I can drive off without begging.
Love ya
Amber

Dear Santa,
I have tried my best to be a good girl. But with two sisters it's kind of hard. I would greatly appreciate it if you would take my sisters to the north pole with you and keep them up there. And would you please send me a very good looking guy.
Love always
Diane Conner
P.S. I hope you like chocolate chip cookies.
Dear Santa,
Could you possibly bring me a new set of Ludwig drums, also 10 pounds of dynamite, a gatling gun, and a box of hand grenades.
Yours truly
Eddy Brooks

Dear Santa,
It seems I haven't been so good this year. I don't want material things but those things I want maybe you can help with. Please send me patience, most of all. It seems I have completely run out of that. Please send me a new sense of humor; my old one isn't working at all. Last please send me some peace and quiet over the holidays so I'll be ready to come back to school January 4th.
J.R.
Santa,
I want a pickup, money, a few clothes, and a Sansui stereo.
Gregg

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is a good car and a 22-50!
Tim Hembree

Dear Santa,
Well, I think I've been a mal good girl this year (or at least I think so) haven't been too naughty. So I would like you to bring me a few things, maybe 1 or 2. Can't ask for too much or you might get mad.
So I want is a water bed and a million dollars, Robert to move back here and a car with a stereo and a large home stereo with very large speakers! and for Ted Nugent to play for 17th birthday and don't forget to bring my mommy a little something or she might cry.
Please bring me everything I asked for. I promise to be extra good.
Your loving and devoted fan
V.H.

Dear Santa,
Well, it's that time of the year again and I would like yo to send me a neat stereo, I've been a good girl this year except on a few occasions but I said I was sorry. So please send me that and I'll try and be good.
S.T.

Dear Santa,
Please send me a new stereo, some new clothes, and some snow boots. I have been a good girl most of the time this year. I promise to be better next year.
Love
Stephanie Rodgers
P.S. Send me a new boyfriend. I don't like the old one.

Dear Santa,
I would like an Am-Fm Cassette tape player with a box of tapes like AC-DC, The Cars, Forngiers, etc. Also a 1982 or 1981 pickup with four-wheel drive, 4-speed with 2-speed axels under the rear end, 460 under the hood, A 44 mg under the seat, 7 mm rifle on a rack with bucket seat, mag wheels, chrome, hubs, also TV, wine cabinet, 40 channel CB with a PA system.
P.S. With camper on back.
M.E.R.

Dear Santa,
I've been a very good boy. Can I have the Dallas Cowboys cheerleaders for Christmas and a pac-man just like at the DQ.
Love
S.C.

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is a motorcycle, a corvette, a lear jet, a Trans-Am, a new pickup (only Chevy), a macine shotgun (for multiple bird hunting) and a hor dune buggie. Now that shouldn't be too hard to get now should it? I want all of them or else!!
D.B.

Dear Santa,
For Christmas this year I wich I could have a typewriter. Plus, I want a bunch of clothes.
Sincerely yours,
Anna Jean Lamb

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I would like a waterbed and a bunch of clothes.
Merry Christmas
K.W.

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like to have an intellevision game for my t.v. and some new clothes. This is all I can think of at the moment. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
Love
M.E.

Santa,
I dont want anything except a 1981 4X4 pickup. Have a Merry Christmas.
M.T.

Santa,
Have a Merry Christmas.
R.S.

Dear Santa,
I am a sophomore at MHS and all I want for Christmas is a z-28 Camero and a one-year supply of gasoline.
Love
Doyle

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girls this year (well, sorta). I don't really want anything but I will take anything you give me (a car with a good looking guy wouldn't be bad) and I will try to be nice to everyone.
Love
T.P.

Dear Santa,
I would like a pair of diamond earrings just like Missy Billingsleys. But hurry so you will catch them on sale. I really don't need much this year because I already have a microwave, house, pickup, and last year's present...a husband. But if you want you could give me some money, however much you can spare. I also need some new clothes: Wranglers, shirts, sweaters, cowboy shoes, the whole works. I want a 14Kt. gold necklace and some warm-ups. I also want a fuzzy kitty that stays in the house. Please give Charles some money for Christmas so he can buy me lots of presents and I can spend it. Santa, for an extra favor, could you ask Charles' boss if he could have a short vacation during the holidays so we can be together and maybe go skiing?
C-ya next year.
Love
L.S.

Dear Santa
Well there are quiet a few things I would really like to have for Christmas. Most of all I want clothes. Dresses, pants, shirts, skirts etc. Im not really picky I want just an assortment. I also would like my boots that are on layaway at Klines. I lost one of my diamond earrings about a month ago and I would really like a replacement. I would also like for you to leave a little cash under the tree. Santa please send Brooks dad a soft spot in his heart so that he will let Brock go out more than once during the Christmas holidays.
Yours truly
S.L.B.

Dear Santa Clause,
I have been good this year. I would like for you to bring me a 5'8" brunette with brown eyes, and a good personality. I would also like a Stereo, a pickup (Brown & Cream Silverado with AM/FM & cassette player) a Beowing 747 jet & a 1945 Rolls Royce Automobile.
Sincerely,
B.S.

P.S. If you can't bring me a jet please just leave me Rudolf to go to school on. Thanks.
Dear Santa,
I don't want anything else for Christmas because I've already got what I want because I found it this morning under the couch!
CM

Dear Santa,
Hi! How ya been! Well I was just wondering if you had time to listen to what I want for Christmas. So figuring that you do here it is: Well first off I want a stereo and clothes and the only other thing I really want you to do is sorda a favor. I wish if in any possible way you could please find Kevin (afriend of mine) a girlfriend coz he's always askin me if I still have a boyfriend and to help you out I know one particular girl he might be interested in and that's Teresa Woods. Well Santa I guess that about all, there will be milk and cookies waiting for you Christmas eve.
Merry Christmas
Love,
Jana

Dear Santa,
I want lots of money for Christmas
LDS

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a typewriter; some things for my bedroom such as new curtains, bedspread, & so forth; I want some new clothes, make-up, and a pick-up. I also want a good barrrell racing horse & takle to go with her.
Love,
R.L.

P.S. I want some other things but this will do for now.
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good little boy (so far) this year. I have eaten everything on my plate and have taken out the trash at least once a month.
For Christmas, I want only three things. One, lots & lots of fun. Two, lots and lots of food. And three, lots and lots of snow.
Sincerely,
XXX(AEP)

Dear Santa,
I would like a harem with Bo Derek, Brooke Shields, Loni Anderson, Rachael Welch, Ferrah Fawcett Majors and every 1981 playboy centerfold. I would also like a blue and silver chrome 1981 turbo charged lamborghini which gets 45 miles of gas per gallon. Make this with a 475 engine. On the inside it should have leopard skin upholstery a diamond and ruby studded steering wheel, a 12 inch colored t.v., a 4 in 1 stereo and a double eagle c.b. Also an automatic wine dispenser which plays "Tiny Bubbles" as the wine comes out.
Yours truly,
D.M.C.

Dear Santa,
I have been good all year long and I would like the following things, please. A compound bow with ten arrows, a new transmission for my car, a never ending supply of gasoline, new tires, and a good wax job. I also could use about 3 million dollars. My own private bathroom a maid to keep my room clean a cook to make me supper, when my mom doesn't. Lear jet, some more cartriges for our Atari video game. A girlfriend that can go out whenever I want to. I also would like a couple of cars, doesn't matter what model, just fast enough to out run the cops. A new .22, 30-06, and someone that can get the firing pin out of my 30-30. A 20 millimeter cannon nounted on top of a tank. And the last thing, a new English teacher that doesn't make me write letters to Santa Clause.
Kevin McDowell

P.S. Make me Ruller of the Solar System
Dear Santa,
I would like to have a new craig AM/FM 8 track stereo with a pair of pioneer and a pair of tenna speakers. And a alpine Equilizer. I would also like a blue & silver 1981 chevy 1/2 ton long bed pickup with two 25 gallon fuel tanks. Octagon fog lights mounted on a chrom roll bar. Also I would like a chrom tool box filled with tools and with solid chrom mags with seat track tires and a spare. I would also like a pair of solid chrom safty bumpers.
I would also like a cobra 40 channel cb. With a Mr. Gaskett Power shifter. And a Holly double pumper carb. And a 460 ford motor with a chrysler transmission. I would also like to have a chrom plated rear end housing with a .308 ratio. And a solid chrom hood scoop and a bug deflector. And last but not least tented windows. And sun roof.
Sincerely yours,
Randall Wynn

Dear Santa,
I want a "Scoot-a-Beeta" doll that sings to me, I want some Scoot-a-beeta shoes and most of all I want a scoot-a-beeta back scratcher.
Signed
Spooky Scoot-a-beeta Smith

Christmas Cheer



May happiness and goodwill be brought to your doorstep during this holiest of seasons.

AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK



To each of our many good friends we send our heartiest greetings and best wishes for a happy holiday season.

McLEAN CATTLE COMPANY

CHRISTMAS



Rejoice! Behold the blessing of His birth and the beginning of our Christmas tradition to honor His holy spirit and realize the significance of His reverent message. Celebrate Christmas with all of the love that created Christ and His family of mankind and enjoy the peace and joy He has given to us all.

BENTLEY'S FERTILIZER

*W.A. and Lois
Boyd Lee and Brenda
Arley and Shirley*

SEASONS GREETINGS



May the joy of this holy season warm every heart; May the days ahead reflect the peace of this greatest of all holidays.

CITY OF McLEAN

HOLY NIGHT



Joy to the world in this Christmas season. May the blessings of the day reach into every heart.

Jake, Ida,
Tres, Tanner and Heather
Hess

Merry Christmas

May your holiday be filled with song and good friends. Best of everything to all our friends and patrons.



FOSHEE'S TEXACO,
Beauty and Gift Shop



SEASON'S BLESSINGS

Let us give thanks that Christmas comes to remind us anew that faith is the key to happiness.

Hambrights
Building Supplies

Christmas



May this Christmas be one you will cherish in memory for long, long years to come.

ANTHONY'S
Shamrock, Texas

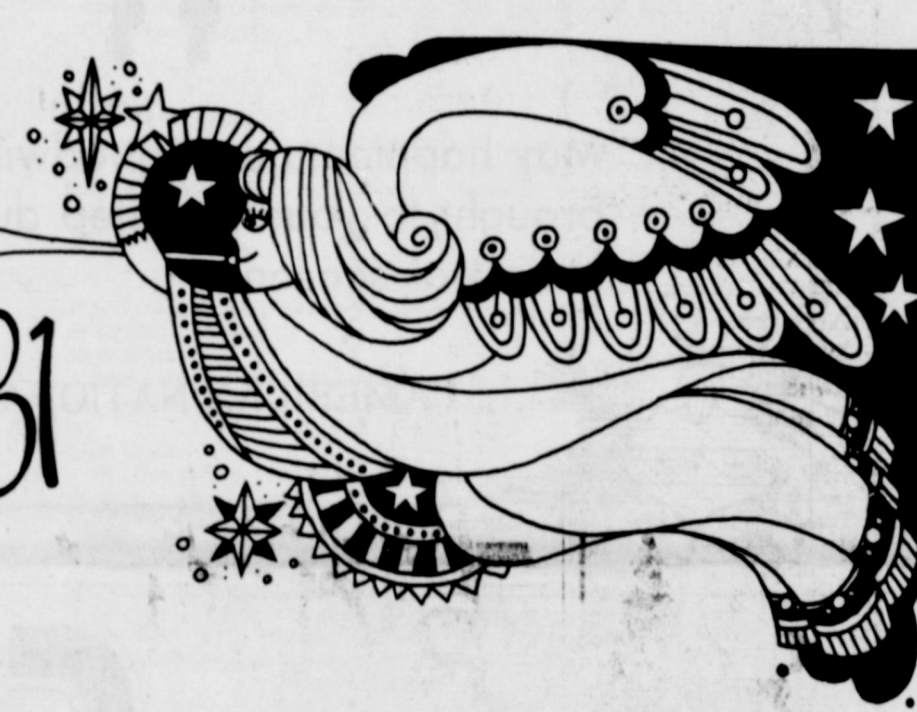
James Lunsford, manager



Friendship is among the greatest gifts. Thanks for letting us serve you and have a Merry Christmas.

WIL-MART
for people on the go
McLean, Texas

Christmas Spirit of 1981



MERRY CHRISTMAS
FROM CHARLES CARTER
AND THE REST OF THE STAFF
OF THE McLEAN NEWS

- Linda Haynes
- Lisa Patman
- Kathy Carter
- Connie Dwyer
- Sam Haynes
- Loyce Sherrod
- Allen Patman
- Bob Patman
- Laverne Carter





We hope that all of you will have a wonderful holiday season and a joyous New Year. TINY TINKUMS Pampa, Texas

Season's Greetings



Here's wishing you a most joyful holiday season.

**CORINNE'S
STYLE
SHOP**



**B&B
Plumbing**
Lester and Wanda
Bailey



SEASON'S BEST
We wish you a warm and happy Christmas.
**McLean
Atlas Plumbing**
Jerry Don, Linda,
and Kimberly
Cook



Greetings

May your Christmas be filled with all good things.



Merry Christmas to one and all.

**W.C., Jeanette,
Judy and Ricky
Kennedy**



A very special "thank you" for your patronage and friendship.

**BAILEY'S
WELDING**

**Billy Jack,
Martha Joe,
Mark,
and
Joetta**



We extend sincere Christmas wishes and a Happy New Year to all our Friends & Customers

**Paul and Doris
Guyton
and family**



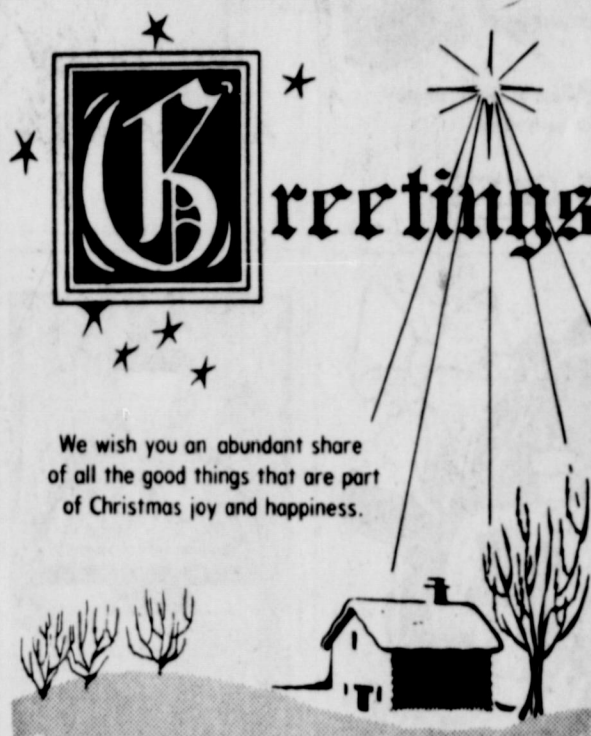
We wish you a Merry Christmas.
**WINDOMS
AUTO
SUPPLY**
Dorris
and Junior



Peace

Joy and peace to one and all.

**McLEAN
HARDWARE**



We wish you an abundant share of all the good things that are part of Christmas joy and happiness.

**BOYD MEADOR
REAL ESTATE**

**HAYNES
TRIANGLE
RANCH**

Warmest holiday wishes to each and every one.

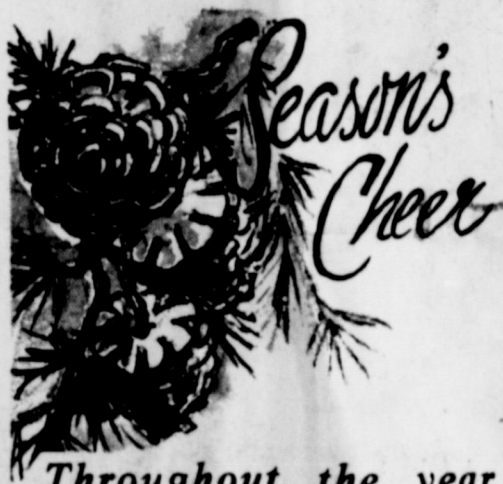


**YESTERYEAR
ANTIQUES**



In the spirit of this blessed season, peace and joy attend you one and all.

Mary Dwyer



Throughout the year, we appreciate our good customers in McLean. We hope during this Christmas season, that you and your family have the Merriest Christmas ever!

TEXAS FURNITURE



We join Santa in wishing you a great package of joy and happiness.

Glenn Hallum's Backhoe Service



**McLEAN
VARIETY**

GREETINGS



In the true spirit of Christmas, we wish you abundant joy and peace.

**BARKERS
REDI-MIX**



And to all our sincere wishes for a great holiday.

**CANTRELL
OIL
AND
GAS**



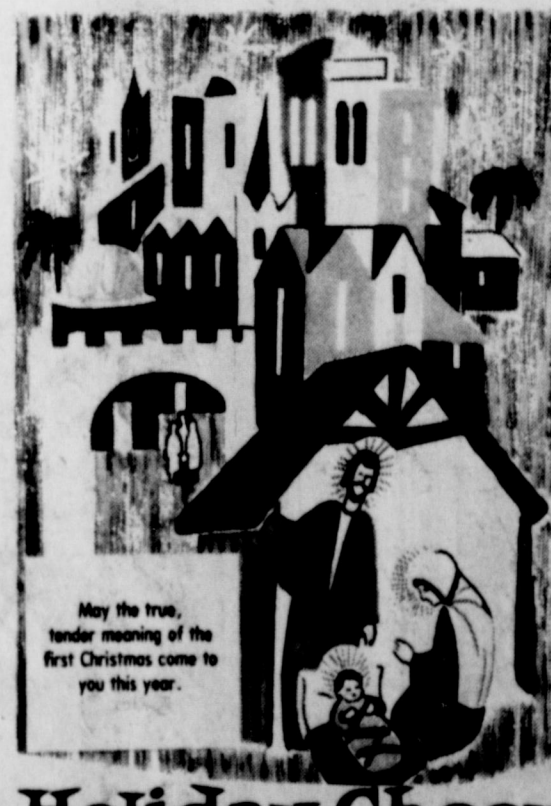
Our sincere wishes for a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a happy holiday season.

**Doctor Hereford
Leta Mae and F. Jake Hess**



Because Christmas is the time to remember good friends, we are thinking of you and wish you a happy holiday.

**THOMAS
NURSING CENTER**



May the true, tender meaning of the first Christmas come to you this year.

Holiday Cheer

**GIBSONS
DISCOUNT
CENTER
AND EMPLOYEES**

Shamrock, Texas



The gift of joy and peace, be yours as we celebrate the birth of a child at Bethlehem.

GATELY'S CAFE

A time to remember old friends and, to wish you all season's best!



WILLIAMS APPLIANCES



Joy to the world, for Christ is born in Bethlehem.

THE POTPOURRI
Open Saturday
From 1 to 5 p. m.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Warm and sincere holiday greetings.

MERTEL'S BOOT SHOP
Johnnie and Colleen

MERRY CHRISTMAS
HAPPY NEW YEAR

Merry Christmas



May every heart and home in the land be brightened with the promise of this our Holy season.

B&B ELECTRIC
B&B TURBINE ENGINES
Lloyd and Mary
Wayne and Billy



Our Best Wishes To All!

May your holiday be filled with the joys of the season. Thank you for your patronage.

PARSONS REXALL DRUG



At this special time of the year, grateful thanks to our friends and patrons.

JOHN NASH TEXACO WHOLESALE

Merry Christmas



Warmest wishes to all for an old fashioned and joyful holiday.

Sheriff and Mrs. Rufe Jordan and Sheriff's Deputies



MERRY CHRISTMAS

May you have the happiest of Holidays among friends and bright with laughter and joy of the season.

COWBOY DRIVE IN
The Steve Rodgers Family

Merry Christmas



It's old fashioned . . . but this is our way of sending you greetings and best wishes.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Glass and family



... "For unto the world is born a Saviour"
Let us rejoice!

CURRY'S PROCESSING



We wish you and yours
the many blessings of the Christmas season.

DON E. CROCKETT FAMILY

HAPPY HOLIDAYS



To one and all, we
wish the joys and
peace of Christmas

Joe and Betty
Skipper
Bill and Ann
Lela and Randy
Billy D.



We wish you the many
blessings of Christmas.

GIPSONS
GAME ROOM

Tommy,
Deborah,
and John



We wish
everyone
a most
joyous
holiday

LAMB
FLOWER
SHOP

Merry Christmas

We will close Thursday,
Dec. 24 at 4 p. m. and will
not open until 9 a. m.
Monday, Dec. 28

WAYNES WESTERN WEAR

Merry Christmas



THE ED PATMAN FAMILY
Ed, Lisa, Allen and Bob



THE
SAM HAYNES
FAMILY
Sam, Linda,
Sally, Dollie,
and
Scott



Greeting

We extend to all our friends greeting
season.

May you find true happiness
THE PAMPA NEW
Pampa, Texas

MERRY CHRISTMAS

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Merry
Christmas
Best of everything
friends
and neighbors.

JESS
GRAHAM'S
FURNITURE

Pampa, Texas



MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM THE DIXIE RESTAURANT

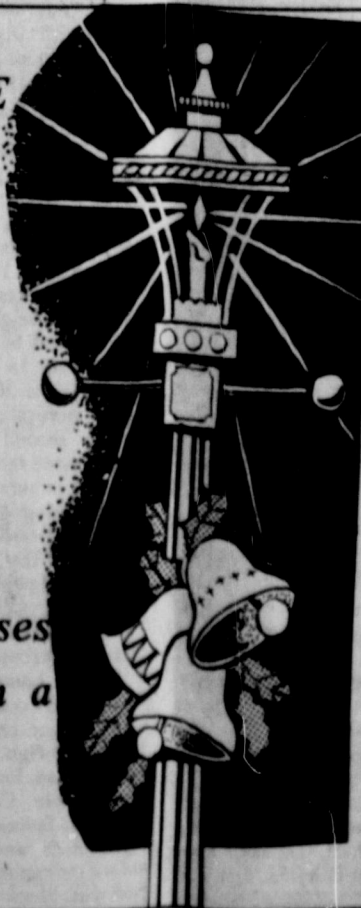
We will be closed
Thursday, Dec. 24 thru Jan. 3.
Reopen Jan. 4

THE McLEAN
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
WELCOMES:

- Yesteryear Antiques
- Dr. Munchos Kitchen
- Gipsons Gameroom
- Lynn's Beauty and Gift Shop
- McLean Saddle Company
- Judy's Atex Fina Station

We wish these new businesses
and all the people in McLean a

MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR



Christ is born in
Bethlehem and the
world rejoices.

Carl's
Barber
Shop



Pharmacy

256-3272

MONDAY THRU SATURDAY

As Christmas Day approaches our thoughts turn to family and friends.
And though Mike, Jerry and I have been in Shamrock only five short months
our thoughts are now of the many new friends we have made in Wheeler and
Gray Counties. You have been most courteous and kind --Most thoughtful
and helpful. The Holiday brings no greater pleasure than a chance to express
sincere thanks for your trust and patronage.

And so, as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior,
our wish is that all your Christmas Dreams come true and our friendship
be as lasting as the endearing traditions of Christmas.

Mail Out Orders Receive Prompt Service

Senior Citizens Receive 15% Discount on Prescriptions

WE WANT TO BE YOUR PHARMACIST

Imo Jean Clark, R. Ph. SHAMROCK, TEXAS Jerry Hodge, R.



Fifth Grade

MEMBERS OF THE fifth grade performed at the annual Christmas program last week at the McLean High School auditorium. [Photo by Linda Haynes]



Junior High

THE McLEAN JUNIOR High band played at the Christmas program. Directing is Mrs. Frances Adamson. [Photo by Linda Haynes]



High School

MEMBERS OF THE McLean High School band, directed by Frances Adamson, presented Christmas music during the Christmas program last week. [Photo by Linda Haynes]



Chorus

MEMBERS OF THE first, second, third, and fourth grades formed the chorus for the "Runaway Snowman" during the school Christmas program last week. [Photo by Linda Haynes]



Musical Cast

THE CAST OF "The Runaway Snowman" comes on stage for a final bow during the Children's Christmas Program at the school last week. [Photo by Linda Haynes]

West Texas Will Offer Four Courses To Pampa Area Residents

WTSU—Pampa area residents may enroll in four West Texas State University courses offered for graduate credit during the 1982 spring semester.

The spring semester begins with registration at the WTSU Activities Center on Wednesday, Jan. 13. Classes begin on Thursday, Jan. 14.

The College of Education Department of School Services

will offer credit in three courses at the Pampa Clarendon College Center.

Dr. T. Paige Carruth, associate professor of education, will instruct Educational Psychology from 5:30 p.m. to 8:10 p.m. each Wednesday evening beginning on Jan. 20.

Philosophy of Education will be discussed by Dr. John Roberts, associate professor of education at 5:30 p.m. each

Tuesday beginning on Jan. 19.

A course on Learning Disabilities will be instructed by Dr. Jane Norris, assistant professor of education, from 5 p.m. to 7:40 p.m. each Wednesday beginning Jan. 20.

Credit for Human Relations Education Seminar will be offered through the College of Education Department of Curriculum and Instruction. In-

structor will be Dr. Jack Nance, associate professor of education, at 7 p.m. each Monday beginning Jan. 18.

Students enrolling only in off-campus courses may register for the course during the first class meeting.

WTSU off-campus courses also will be offered at Childress, Dalhart, Dumas, Pritchard and Perryton.

DOWN MEMORY LANE

From the files of The McLean News by Sam Haynes

10 YEARS AGO...

E.M. Bailey, Editor

Fire destroyed the home of the J.B. Morris family at 817 E. Third in McLean early Friday morning. About 5 a.m. Friday the family was awakened by the flames, which is believed might have started from defective Christmas tree lights.

Vernon Turner, who resides east of town, has been appointed as agent for Gray County to check the cattle for scabies. If you suspect your cattle might have this problem, and want your cattle checked, call 779-2018.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Guyton and family of Iowa Park, Texas, spent the Christmas holiday with his folks the C.R. Guytons'.

20 YEARS AGO...

Jack Shelton, Editor

Marilyn Magee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Magee, was selected all-school beauty of McLean High Monday night in the annual beauty contest sponsored by the yearbook staff.

Coach Derral Davis' McLean Tigers claimed another big championship prize for their trophy case last Saturday when they bumped Hedley 54-45 for the Samnorwood Basketball Tournament title.

Three McLean High School seniors last week were named to the All-Regional first and second football teams. Clyde Windom was chosen a guard and Jim Watson halfback on the select squad, while Kenny Willingham placed as quarterback on the second team.

30 YEARS AGO...

Lester Campbell, Editor

Charlie B. Chambers, aged resident of the area and caretaker of the properties at Sand Spur Lake, was found burned to death at the ruins of his home Monday night.

The McLean Girls' basketball team captured its second tournament title in two weeks last Saturday night when the Tigerettes downed Kelton 46-30 in the finals of the Shamrock Invitational Tournament. Making the all-tournament team from McLean were Bonita Bailey, Sue Lively, Joyce Bruner, and Mary Graham.

Miss Donna Gail Stubblefield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stubblefield, was chosen as winner of the annual Beauty Parade of the McLean High School Press Club Monday night at the program held in the high school auditorium.

Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Howard and children and Mr. and Mrs. J.F. Roberts of Pampa visited Pampa Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Smith.

40 YEARS AGO...

T.A. Landers, Editor

A dinner was given in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Ivey about a week ago, honoring Morse Ivey, who was leaving for the U.S. Army. Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harlan and two children of Canadian, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harlan and two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ivey, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Gatlin and son, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ivey and two sons, Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Bogan, Mr. and Mrs. A.B. Christian and son, Mr. and Mrs. S.B. Morse and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J.S. Morse, Miss Meta Bruton, Morse and Douglas Ivey, Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Ivey.

An unusual Christmas decoration was worked out this year by Pete Fulbright, water superintendent, who placed a large star colored with lights on top of the water tower. The star is run by an electrical motor and revolves in a very pleasing way.

The McLean Tigers lost to the Phillips Blackhawks on a muddy field Tuesday afternoon with a score of 19 to 24. The lighter weight Tigers were handicapped by the mud and had to take to the air, completing 20 of 30 passes. The Tigers were ahead in scoring until the second half when the Hawks made their score in the first two minutes of play, the Tigers taking the lead again soon afterward. The game ended with the Tigers threatening the Hawk's goal line.

The McLean Tigers placed three representatives on the district 3A honor squad. Lee, Dwight and Cooke were picked as the Tiger representatives. Lee and Dwight repeated the honor squad for their second time, while Cooke was a complete favorite this year. Dyer, Roth and Boyd were among the runners-up for their positions. Shamrock placed Ike

Sewell, R.O. Lister, Homer Ewton and H.W. Callan, Le-fors placed Melton Oldham and Marvin Bowman. Clarendon placed Brazil Smith and Leslie Wardlow and Wellington placed Leroy Jones.

50 YEARS AGO...

T.A. Landers, Editor

Misses Texola Harlan and May Belle Veatch were in Amarillo Tuesday.

Vernon Johnston returned Monday from Fort Worth.

One of the heaviest snows of the season began falling Wednesday morning and continued until press time this morning, blanketing the entire community. Wind Wednesday night caused some deep drifts that will interfere with traffic on country roads, but city streets and highways are still open.

60 YEARS AGO...

Mrs. Everett Watkins visited in Amarillo last week end.

M.L. Moody, Editor

Burette Kinarad has bought the new restaurant and will run it in connection with the public scales.

Wayland Floyd motored over to Hedley Saturday. He returned Sunday, accompanied by his sister, Mrs. W.D. Biggers, who will spend the holidays here.

For sale or trade...1918 model Buick roadster, been run about 5,000 miles, good shape. \$450 cash or will trade for hogs or cattle. L.L. Rogers.

Overton and Crabtree have put in a feed yard and are prepared to buy hogs any day of the week. This is a much needed business in McLean. There has been a great deal of dissatisfaction heretofore on account of the fact that farmers never knew just what days were shipping days. We are glad to welcome this new firm among our advertisers.

70 YEARS AGO...

A.G. Richardson, Editor

J.R. Phillips has sold his dray and transfer line, including equipment, etc., to the Bourland Bros., who will conduct the same in the future. George and "Bally" Bourland are both well known in the city and we bespeak for them a profitable business.

The program given below will be rendered under the auspices of the Mother's Club on Friday evening, December 28th, at the school auditorium. A charge of ten cents will be made for admission and everyone is invited to attend. An evening of enjoyment is promised and we feel safe in assuring the public that the promise will be made good: Piano Duet-Lucile Horton and Bessie Sitter; Piano Solo-Winnie Floyd; Reading-Mrs. Byrd Guill; Comic Duet-Billie Biggers and Bonnie Evans; Selection-Guy O'Dell; Solo-Mrs. Charles Hedrick; Reading-Ruby Cook; Piano Solo-Enod Grundy; Male Quartette-Messrs. Bundy, Jones, Henry, and Biggers.

It is claimed that farmers in the Slavonia neighborhood will harvest about eight thousand bushels of peanuts this season. T.W. Henry will also harvest about a thousand or twelve hundred bushels. The lowly peanut should occupy an important place in the diversification program.



SANTA IS SURROUNDED by his reindeer during a presentation of "Santa and the Snowmobile." The Christmas musical was presented to the residents of Thomas Nursing home by the children of the Alanoed School. Pictured is Dan Fish playing Santa, and reindeer Diana Hallum, Sherry McCreary, Mistie Mayo, Sally Worsham, Susan Worsham, Susie Conner, Lee Ayn Jordan, and Sherry Horn. [Photo by Linda Haynes]

Quotable Quotes

If men think that a ruler is religious and has a reverence for the Gods, they are less afraid of suffering injustice at his hands.

Aristotle

The Russians train; they do not dare educate.

Max Lerner

He is rich that is satisfied.

Thomas Fuller, M.D.

Grief can take care of itself, but to get the full value of joy you must have somebody to divide it with.

Mark Twain

Show him death, and he'll be content with fever.

Persian Proverb

When our relatives are at home we have to think of all their good points or it would be impossible to endure them.

George Bernard Shaw

Wherever anyone is against his will, that to him is a prison.

Epictetus

Nature teaches us to love our friends, but religion our enemies...

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CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express our gratitude to all the wonderful people in McLean who made our Christmas drive such a success. It is at times like these and people like you that bring the true meaning of Christmas home.

Thanks to all of you for your prayers, flowers, and visits while I was in the hospital. I especially appreciate all the kindness shown by the members of my Sunday school class, the Wesley class.

Thanks to all my friends for the cards, flowers, and visits during my recent stay in the hospital. I will never forget your kindness and thoughtfulness.

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Gubernatorial Candidate Sums Up First Week's Activities

PARIS, Texas—Bob Armstrong released the following statement today.

"Last week I announced as a candidate for Governor in the Democratic Primary. I am pleased to report that after one week and 3500 miles on the campaign trail, the response to my candidacy has been most gratifying.

The people I have visited with share generally the same desires. They want an opportunity for their businesses to prosper, they want good jobs, they want fairness from government, they want quality education for their children, they want freedom from crime and they want to be treated as individuals.

I have also found that most Texans share my concerns about increasing utility rates. The Public Utility Commission recently approved a rate increase for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for the sum of 250 million dollars. Commissioner Garrett Morris, who wrote the dissenting memorandum to the rate increase, will not be reappointed by Governor Clements. Commissioner Morris has been the most public-minded member of the Commission. He stood with the Texas Municipal League and other groups, opposing the increase.

Southwestern Bell represented to the Commission that it needed a rate increase for many reasons. I'd like to review two of them with you today.

First, the company told the Commission that its tax rate, taxes which are passed on to you and me, was 46% and that a rate increase was needed to help pay these taxes. According to Arthur Young &

Co., the actual rate tax paid by Southwestern Bell is 39.9%. These so-called 'phantom taxes' cost us millions.

Second, when Western Electric Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of A T & T, sells equipment to Southwestern Bell, another wholly owned subsidiary, a profit margin is built into the sales price—profits paid by you and me. In its rate increase request, Southwestern Bell added yet another profit margin to this same equipment. This double-dipping costs us millions.

By using techniques such as these, Southwestern Bell is estimated to have been given \$102 million more in a rate increase than it was entitled to. The Commission regulates virtual monopolies to keep them from overcharging their customers. At a time when most businesses and individuals are tightening their belts, the utilities should do likewise. When the pharmacist and grocer pay more for their utilities, we all pay more for medicine and food.

I hope the governor will replace Commissioner Morris with another like-minded individual, for if the present trend continues, the name of that body should be changed to the Private Utility Commission of Texas. At least then we will know where we stand.

I need your votes and promise that one of my priorities will be to appoint commissioners, who like Commissioner Morris, protect the public interest while balancing the needs of utility companies."

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Loose Marbles
by Lisa Patman

As a most interested observer of the strange ways of my fellow man, I've seen many a bright Christmas fervor dampened by the wrong gift-giving plan.

(I once watched a romantic housewife get another new flannel nightgown. Her dumb husband spent the rest of his life with thousands of lumps on his crown.)

So if you will just listen to me I'll give you some timely advice. On gifts that will make them all happy. And make your Yule Season quite nice.

Give a white velvet couch to the baby-- (Let him spit up to his heart's delight.) And this gift suggestion's no "Maybe" Giving teenagers money is right.

If your imagination is haltered-- Give that almost-grown kid a new aid-for the ears, for his hearing, which faltered-- From the loud sounds his stereo made!

And women are really quite simple To shop for, to find the right gift. If you truly would see her dimple A large diamond will heal the worst rift.

But the ultimate, as far as I know, is to give, not receive, ain't it Hon. So why don't we all get up and go give each other-in-law back her son!

Thanks to all who participated in the Chamber of Commerce Decoration contest. The judges couldn't believe how beautiful the lights were. You've made the town beautiful for Christmas.

Mary Dwyer, Chairman Chamber of Commerce Decorating Contest

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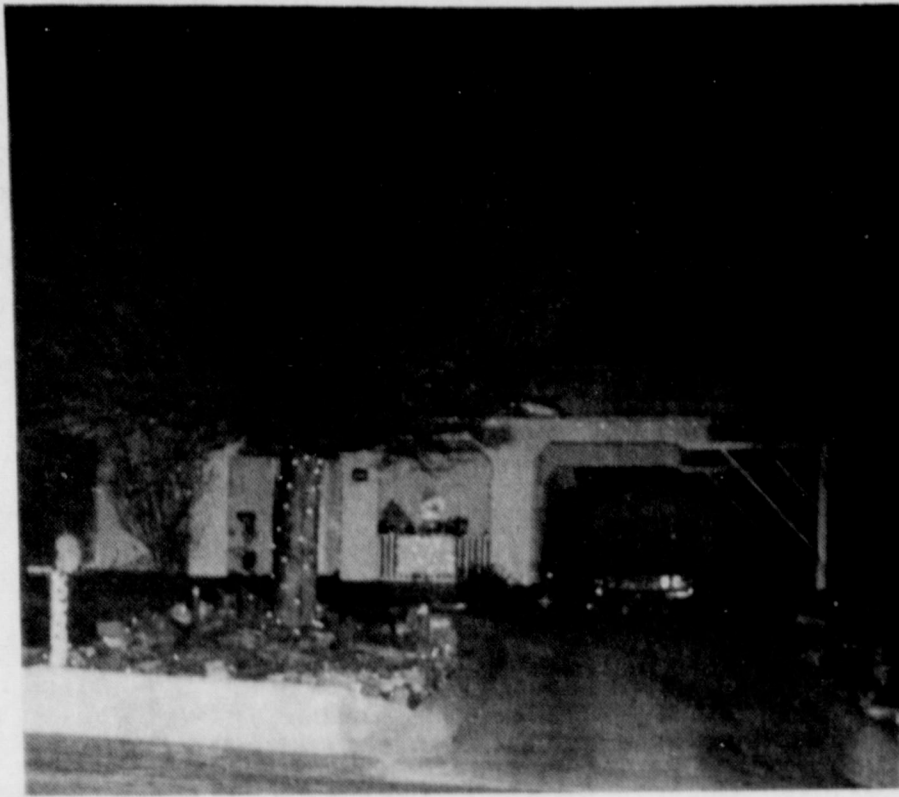
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First Place

THE HOME OF Casper and Jeanne Smith won first prize in the home decoration contest sponsored by the McLean Chamber of Commerce. [Photo by Linda Haynes]



Second Place

WINNING SECOND PLACE in the Chamber of Commerce decorating contest last week was the home of Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Windom Jr. [Photo by Linda Haynes]



Third Place

THE HOME OF Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Trew was one of the third-place winners in the Chamber of Commerce Christmas Decorating contest. [Photo by Linda Haynes]

Birthdays

DECEMBER 25

Ted Simmons
Casey Findley
Carlin Scott
Noble Touchstone
Natalie Morris

DECEMBER 26

Hershel Nicholson
Martiese Cunningham
Doine Word Conatser
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DECEMBER 27

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Joe Magee
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DECEMBER 28

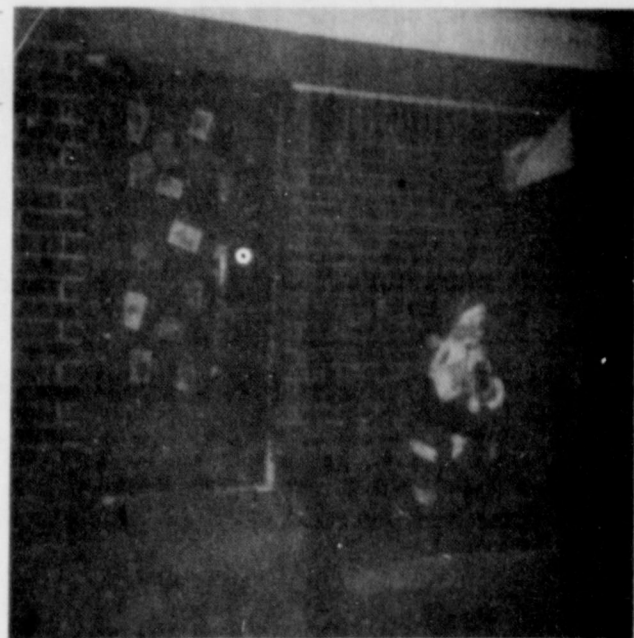
Vickie Mae Christie
Carl Watson
Mrs. Jess Kemp
Misty Ann Windom
Stefanie Houdyshell
Landon Dwyer

DECEMBER 29

Randy Curry
Margaret Jean West

DECEMBER 30

Eddie Kent Wilson
Trevor Leslie McDonald
DECEMBER 31
W.C. Kennedy
Valta Tarbet
Terry Clint Gray



Third Place

THE HOME OF Mr. and Mrs. Carey Don Smith tied for third in the McLean Chamber of Commerce Christmas Decorating Contest.

Oil And Gas Production Boosts County Economy

THE SALE OF CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS from Gray County wells in 1980 boosted the county economy and accounted for \$141.4-million of the \$31.2-billion value placed on Texas production last year.

In a report on the economic impact of oil and gas industry operations in the top producing counties of Texas, Dallas-based Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association said the county ranked 57th among Texas' 254 counties on the basis of the value of its marketed petroleum production. This includes condensate and casinghead gas.

The county's wells produced 4-million barrels of crude oil, valued at \$86.5-million, and 36.9-million Mcfs of natural gas, valued at \$54.9-million. Owners of royalty in the county received \$17.7-million as their share of the output, the Association said.

"Although crude oil and natural gas production in Texas declined slightly last year from 1979 levels, we in the industry are encouraged by the fact that drilling starts in

1980 were up 16 percent over the previous year," said the Association's chairman, Avery Rush, Jr., of Amarillo. "Since petroleum remains the cornerstone of our state's economy and its tax base, Texas must continue to encourage the development of its energy resources," Rush added.

In addition to paying local, county, and state property taxes, producers in the county also supported state government through production tax payments estimated at \$8.1-million, according to the Association. Crude oil taxes amounted to \$4-million while natural gas levies totaled \$4.1-million.

Based on Texas Employment Commission figures, some 1,454 oil and gas industry employees in the county received wages of about \$29.5 million in 1980.

In the search for new petroleum reserves in the county, oil and gas operators spent a reported \$28.5 million in the drilling of 68 wells, including two wildcat, or exploratory wells. This effort resulted in the completion of 35 oil wells and 22 gas wells, although some \$4.9 million was lost in the drilling of 11 dry holes. As of March 1, 1981, there were 4,153 producing wells in the county; 3,255 oil and 898 gas.

Petroleum processing also contributed to the county economy, with six natural gasoline plants, having a total daily capacity of 226.6 million cubic feet of natural gas; one carbon black plant, and one petrochemical plant in operation.

Scientists Look At Cloning Methods To Improve Cattle

COLLEGE STATION — Recombinant DNA, a practice more commonly known as "cloning" or "genetic engineering," is under study by Texas A&M University veterinary scientists to determine if it can produce healthier, beefier cattle.

Dr. James Womack, a geneticist, and Dr. Duane Kraemer, a pioneer in embryo transfer studies, are about to begin exploratory tests with cattle regarding the insertion of genetic material from one strain of mammal to the embryo of another.

"This study will concentrate on adapting microinjection and cell nuclei fusion techniques already developed in mice to cattle ova," said Kraemer, who will oversee microinjection work on the study.

Professor Examines Illegal Alien Problem

COLLEGE STATION — Undocumented Mexican workers are a necessary component of the Texas labor force and there should be a structured way to bring them into the state legally, says a Texas A&M University professor.

Dr. W. G. Roessler, head of Texas A&M's urban and regional planning department, is comparing the problems of a migrating labor force in Texas with the way the issue is handled in Bavaria, West Germany. He began the study about two years ago when his department received several inquiries from border towns such as El Paso concerning the issues relating to migratory labor.

Several areas of the Texas economy are dependent on undocumented Mexican laborers, Roessler said.



SNOWMAN DONALD HARRIS explains to his friend Jimmy Cummings why he has to run away during a musical play presented by the first, second, third, and fourth grade McLean Elementary students last week. [Photo by Linda Haynes]

Living plants are popular holiday season gifts and decorations. A few tips on their care can help prolong the pleasure received from these plants.

Poinsettias, chrysanthemums, azaleas, and most other flowering pot plants will last much longer if kept in a cool location away from drafts. Never place them where heating vents or other heat sources can blow or reflect directly on them. If the room where the plant is used is kept rather warm, try moving your plant to a cooler room each night.

Water is extremely important. Since your flowering plant has probably been growing in a greenhouse where it has had all the water it could use, it will wilt quickly when deprived. The soil should always be fairly moist to the touch. This usually requires water about every other day.

Over-watering is a possibility also and very confusing since the symptoms for it are the same as for the lack of water. Most planting media is well drained and most containers have a hole in the bottom. This usually will prevent problems from overwatering.

Light is also important. Artificial lighting is helpful but most plants will remain attractive longer if placed near a window or other source of natural light. Direct sunshine or placement too near glass should be avoided.

Consumers frequently ask about how to transplant their flowering plants into their landscape. Gloxinias, cyclamen, and poinsettias are not good landscape plants for most of Texas. The growing season in the Panhandle is not long enough and warm enough for poinsettias to flower outside. Unless greenhouse facilities are available, these plants are best discarded after they lose

their attractiveness. Most new poinsettias will hold their bracts for several weeks or more. Their leaves will often drop quickly when temperature, moisture or light conditions are changed.

Flowering pot plants are great to receive or give during the holiday season. By giving them a little extra care this joy may be extended considerably.

HOLIDAY FOOD HAZARDS

Remember that holiday meals can be disastrous if the family's favorite foods have hidden guests, sal, staph, strep, botulism, or clostridium perfringens.

Here are the most likely culprits:

Ham—know the kind of ham you bought. Some need to be cooked, others are fully cooked. If in doubt, cook it.

Turkey—or any poultry product—must be fully cooked. If the turkey is prepared ahead of time, store it in the refrigerator and reheat it at the time of serving. Remove the dressing or stuffing and store it separately.

Stuffing—do not stuff the bird a day or two ahead of the day it is roasted. Stuff it just before cooking. Refrigerate leftover stuffing in a separate dish. To save time, cook the stuffing in a separate container.

Meringue Pie—if under-baked, the egg whites may be the host for salmonella. Don't make the meringue so thick that heat cannot penetrate the topping and kill the microorganisms. Refrigerate the pie after it is cooked.

Leftovers—there are usually lots of leftover foods after the holiday meal. Put the leftovers in the refrigerator as soon as the meal is over. Don't delay, room temperature is the ideal

temperature for microorganisms to grow at a rapid rate.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

May peace, love, and happiness be yours this Christmas and always!

Sherry Glass Named To Who's Who At WT

WTSU—Sherry Kay Glass, a junior nursing major at West Texas State University from McLean, is among 49 WTSU students who have been selected for inclusion in the 1982 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

Campus personnel nominate the students on the basis of academic achievement, service

to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential.

The students to be honored are selected from more than 1,300 institutions of higher education in the 50 states, District of Columbia and several foreign nations. The annual directory has honored students since 1934.

Glass is the daughter of James D. Glass of McLean.

Some Income May Not Affect Benefits

Some income received by a self-employed person after retirement may not affect benefit checks, Larry Mayo, Social Security branch manager in Pampa, Texas, said recently.

The general rule is all self-employment income received by a person in year can affect his or her right to benefits. An important exception to this rule applies to income received after retirement which was earned before that time.

Under this rule, income received in a year after the year of retirement which is not attributable to services performed after the month benefits start does not count for the annual earnings test, the measure used to decide if benefits should be paid.

Those affected by this exception includes:

Farmers who sell carryover crops in a year after the year of retirement but was raised, harvested, and stored before then.

Self-employed life insurance agents who receive renewal commissions after retirement from policies sold before then.

Retired partners who receive a share of the partnership income after retirement.

Silent partners who may never have worked in the partnership but who receive a share of the income based on their investment.

Other retired self-employed people who receive self-employment income solely from the ownership of an income producing enterprise.

The exception does not apply to any tax liability including Social Security self-employment tax. The exception does apply to all tax years after 1977.

More information about this exception, including this exception, can be obtained at the Pampa, Texas Social Security Office. The people there will be glad to answer any questions. The office is located at 125 South Gillespie and the telephone number is 806/669-3381 or call our toll-free number 1-800-392-1603 for Social Security information or 1-800-442-2620 for Medicare information.

"It's the good loser that finally loses out." Kin Hubbard

did you know?



For more efficient cooking, match the pan size to the size of the range's surface units. Flat-bottom cooking utensils with tight-fitting lids give the best cooking results and can help conserve energy as well, since foods in covered pans begin boiling or steaming more rapidly than those in uncovered containers.

Joy Parnell, Home Service Advisor, Lubbock

Christmas lights can be dangerous if not used properly. Use only those lights that have an Underwriters Laboratories label on the package and be sure to buy the right kind of lights for indoor or outdoor use. Check lights for loose or broken sockets or cords with bare wire showing BEFORE putting them on the tree and always unplug them before leaving the house or going to bed. Electrical safety tips like these can help insure a happy and safer Christmas for your family.

Johnny Bourland, Consumer Services Representative, Roswell



SPS sells the byproducts created by burning coal for fuel. Of the ash products generated at coal-fired Harrington Station, the majority are fly ash, a powder-like substance. Fly ash has been used for cementing oil wells, as a water and abrasion-resistant ingredient in concrete, and can be used around dam areas to prevent water from eroding away surrounding soil. By marketing fly ash and other coal byproducts, SPS is using our natural resources as efficiently as possible and helping keep down the costs of generating the electricity we all need.

Sherry Kunka, Environmental Analyst, Amarillo

Knowing what electricity is worth is worth knowing. For answers to your questions, call or write your SPS manager.



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TIGER KEVIN NICHOLSON goes up for the ball during the Tigers' first district game last week. [Photo by Sally Haynes]