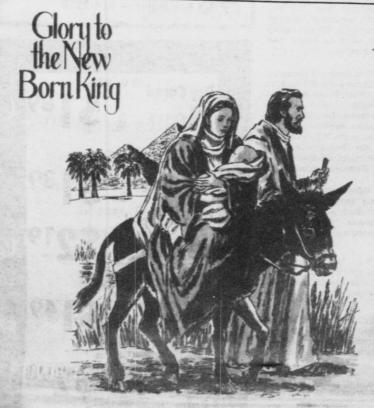
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Principal Tells School Board Juniors Master TEAMS

Principal Kenneth Sweatt outlined results of the TEAMS test completed recently by Groom junior students at the Tuesday night meeting of the school board.

He pointed out that all 16 He pointed out that all 16 students mastered the test. Nationally, he stated, Groom students' percentile rankings were 76 percent reading, 73 percent language and 84 percent, math. Weaknesses pointed out in the test included fractions in math and punctuation and spelling. tion and spelling.

He again reminded board

members that these test indicate minimum skills and that high scores are to be

expected.

The board also deliberated over the Career Ladder plan for the school. Superintendent Peeples provided four workable alternatives

for the board to study. According to state plans, Groom has available \$31,920 to fund the Career Ladder in 86-87 school year. Eight teachers are currently on the Career Ladder.

The board members discussed at length the need to make the program boost teacher morale.

The final unanimous vote

was to set the amount of money to be spent at \$15,000 maximum, automatically triggering the number of places on the Career Ladder. places on the Career Ladder.
A total of ten teachers will
be included in the Career
Ladder program in 1986-87.
Board members spent an
hour and 20 minutes in
closed session discussing

the superintendents annual evaluation. Upon reopening the meeting, Board Presi-dent Pat Weinheimer gave a verbal vote of confidence to

Peeples saying her had per-formed a "superior job." Also discussed was repair to the foundation of the

school owned house at 111 Ware. A bid of \$465 Ware. A bid of \$465 was passed over to insure that all local contractors have an opportunity to bid the job. Anyone interested should contact Mr. Peeples for See School Board, Page 4

GED Needs Info For Low Income Housing

Econom Groom Development Commission is still gathering information to determine if there is a need for new, low to moderate for new, low to moderate income housing, to be build in Groom. If you are interested in such rental units, please contact Rex Peeples at the school.

Kotaras Approved To Serve On Appraisal Review Board

Kotara were approved by resolution to serve on the Carson County Appraisal Review Board for 1987-88 in a meeting held at the Appraisal District office last Wednesday. Ronald Kotara will also fill the vacancy

Don't Drink **And Drive**

There is probably no other holiday that gets people in a more festive spirit than Christmas. With all the gift shopping, holiday music, and the excitement of having the family all together, it's no wonder why this is a favorite holiday among

a favorite holiday among Americans.

But for some Texas families, this will be a special holiday, one to be remembered forever. Not because it was such a good time, but because they have lost a friend or loved one in a traffic accident.

Major V.J. Cawthon, regional commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety, stated, "Last year 15 people lost their live on Texas streets and highways during the Christmas holidays. This was with the holiday period falling during the middle of the week. This year however, most Texans the middle of the week. This year however, most Texans will have four days off during this holiday, so the potential is there for a more deadly period."

"Historically appendix append

deadly period."
"Historically, speed and the drinking driver have been responsible for most of these holiday fatalities," Major Cawthon added. Each year roughly 20,000 people die in this nation because of speeding, and that many or more will be directly or indirectly related to alcohol. directly related to alcohol. Once again extra DPS troopers will be on the roads watching specifically for these and other traffic vio lations to keep the road a safer place for you and your

Please don't become one of this year's highway death created by the resignation of Betty Davis for the remain-der of the 1986-87 term.

The First National Bank of Panhandle was approved as the depository for District funds with existing certifi-cates of deposit to remain on deposit with the three county banks.

Approval was given for the purchase of a new copy

machine from Business Concepts of Borger. Employee Linda Kalka also received a 10 percent salary increase.

DPS Arrests Arsonists

Two suspected arsonist have been returned to Missouri authorities this week after an investigation begun by local DPS officers last week. Robert L. Roach 50 and

Josephine Harris 59 of Bakersfield, Ca. were turned over to Camden County, Mo. sheriff's officers.

sheriff's officers.

A house belonging to Harris was burned on the Lake of the Ozarks a week earlier. Local DPS officers took a statement last week from Richard Dowell of Amarillo while they were investigating a wreck the trio had during icy weather. Dowell had joined Roach and Harris in Oklahoma City earlier. Allegedly, Harris

and Roach offerd Dowen \$1,000 to burn down the house. Dowell's story giving details of the previous night, and Roach offerd Dowell house. Dowell's story giving details of the previous night, when the house burned, and the following day were checked with fire investigators in Missouri and determined to be true. A warrant for search of the vehicle was issued on Dec. 9.

The DPS picked up Roach

The DPS picked up Roach in Groom and arrested Harris upon her release from the Pampa Hospital.

Both were kept in the Gray County jail until Missouri arrived to transport them back to Camden County. Both Harris and Roach have been charged with second degree arson.

Community Calendar

Groom School Board meets in special session, 6:00 p.m. Dec. 29.

Christmas Program at United Methodist Church will be Sunday, December 21 at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

On Thursday, Dec. 18 at 7:00 p.m. the music department will present a Christmas Concert featuring the K-4th grade music classes,

K-4th grade music classes, fifth grade beginning band, the sixth grade band and the Groom Tiger Band.

Everyone is invited to attend. There will be a reception following the concert in the cafeteria.

GEDC meeting will be Thursday, Dec. 18 at 7:30 p.m., Brumley Insurance.

GEDC workday will be Saturday at 8:30 a.m. at the hospital building.

School dismisses for the Christmas holidays at 2:30 Friday, Dec. 19. Classes resume on Monday, Jan. 5.

odities will be distributed Monday, December 22 at Groom Branch Library from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

SOS meets for noon lun eon at St. Mary's Hall tod-9

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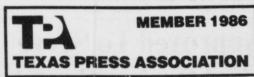
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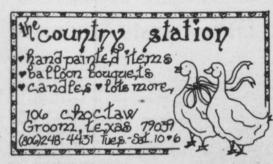
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Local Happenings

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Homer and Shannon visited with Richard's mother, Mrs. Carl Homer Saturday.

Sunday visitors with Helen Homer were two of her sisters, Mrs. Gennie Kuper of Hereford and Mrs. Rose Koening of Amarillo.

Attending funeral services Saturday for Alfred Stehling of Fredricksburg, Texas were his sister, Monica Weinheimer, her son Jerome, wife Inez and their sons, Jeff and Alan. Mr. Stehling, 84, died December 10, 1986.

Bernie Tyrrell is a surgical patient at Coronado Community hospital in

Mrs. Patsy Fraser, Tricia and Matt Fraser of Claude spent the weekend visiting in the Wesley Miller home in Stratford where they got acquainted with the new family member, Mark. They also celebrated Mrs. Fraser's birthday on Saturday.

Mrs. Rena Hahn and son John George of Pampa visited Marie Rogers Monday afternoon.

A.D. Neal returned home Tuesday after a stay at the Pampa Hospital last week.

Thelma Pool returned home last Saturday evening, Dec. 6 from a trip to Indian Springs, Nev. to see her granddaughter Deanne Datson. They went on to Turn Falls, Idaho to have Thanksgiving with her great-granddaughter Denise Aston.

Marietta Britten recently returned from a 22 day trip touring Japan and China. She reported having a wonderful time. The tour was sponsored through Texas Tech. The same group has taken an annual tour since 1976.

Rita Jenkins of Groom will be among the 373 students at West Texas State University to graduate Thursday, Dec. 18, in ceremonies beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the WT Fieldhouse.

Mrs. Jenkins will receive a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education.

Kent Reed went pheasant hunting Saturday in Stratford with his brother Thomas. They reported having a good day.

Mrs. Jeannie Belcher was released from the hospital in Pampa Tuesday. She was a surgical patient.

Kevin Wood attended the Christmas Party given by Attebury Grain at Dyers Barbeque Saturday night.

Kellye and Kent Reed and Kaci were dinner guests in Amarillo Sunday at the Gary O'Della.

David Brown who was rushed last week to the hospital by Groom Ambulance was released Tuesday and returned home.

Bill Freeman, manager of M Ranches in Mexia, is a house guest of Bobby and Mary Wood this week. **Groom Hotel Building**

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Britten's **Announce Birth**

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Steve Britten of Amarillo on the arrival of their son, Chad Steven. He arrived December 4, 1986

and weighed 7 pounds and 1

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Clyde McKee of Ros-well, N.M. and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Britten of Groom. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Pew, Capatan and Mrs. Edna McDonald of Amarillo are the great-grandparents.



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Receive Awards

The monthly awards ceremony for Cub Scouts was held Dec. 11 at the Club House. David Fields and Justin Ritter were awarded Bob Cat badges. Phil Vaughn received an athlete badge and Wes Hall received both the athlete badge and outdoorsman. Bryan and outdoorsman. Bryan Crowell was named Scout of the Month for December.

Sidney Mansel was admitted this week to the hospital

Methodist Women's Party At Harrell Home

The United Methodist Women annual Christmas luncheon was Wednesday, Dec. 10 at 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Fellowship Hall of the church. Hostesses were Mrs. C.R. Knight, Mrs. E.W. Lamberson, Mrs. Curtis Schaffer, Mrs. E.C. Goodlett and Mrs. Louis Ruthardt. Mrs. Donald Ritter presented a review of the book "The Piano Man's Christmas" by the Reverend Ira Williams of Polk Street

Ira Williams of Polk Street
United Methodist Church in
Amarillo as the program.
Following the meal a gift
exchange and revealing of
Secret Prayer Pals
concluded the meeting.
Others present were Mrs.
Glynn D Harrell, Mrs. John
Eschle, Mrs. O.P. Blackwell, Mrs. George Myers,
Mrs. N.B. Helton, Mrs.
Essie Cooper-Knowles, Julia
McGee, Mrs. A.J. Baboock,
Mrs. Roy Ritter, Rev. Jerry Mrs. Roy Ritter, Rev. Jerry Moore and guests, Mrs. Paul Williams, Mrs. L.A. hudson, Mrs. J.L. Krizan, Barnett, Curtis

Mrs. Wall Hostess For **TEL Class Party**

The TEL Class of the Baptist church met in the home of Louia Wall on Thursday, Dec. 11. Her home was beautiful with Christmas throughout giving all guests the spirit of the holidays.

After visiting guests were nvited to be seated at a long dining room table for a bountiful Christmas dinner. Santa timed things just right as he arrived just as the meal was over with a huge bag of gifts. He was a very clever Ole Santa to have some strange creatures mixed with his gifts and requiring each one to reach in the traditional bag to get her gift. Loula then presented each with a very unique gift to be clipped from a beautiful door plaque, "The advent of Christmas," embroidered by her late daughter Loula Maude. Then there was a gift exchange with class members. Gladys Fields provided Santa with lovely candles she crocheted for each

ember. Mamie Poole led in a prayer before a short business meeting where members agreed to send a generous gift to Buckner's Children's Home in Dallas.

Members present were Gladys Fields, Rose Fields, Bertha Knight, Cleo Musser, Thelma Pool, Marie Rogers, Mertie Schaffer, Mamie Poole, Doshia Cornett and the lovely hosters Louis Wall tess, Loula Wall.

Miller Birth

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Miller of Stratford are the proud parents of a new baby boy, Mark Aaron. He was born December 6, 1986 and weighed 8 pounds and 5 ounces. He has one very proud sister, Alicia, age 12, and one very proud brother, T.J., age 9.

T.J., age 9.
Grandparents are Mildred
Miller and Mr. and Mrs.
John Fraser of Groom; O.J.
Miller of Waynoka, Okla.
Greatgrandparents are Mr.
Lee Miller of Pampa and Mr.
and Mrs. Walter Fraser of

Brush & Palette

Brush & Palette met at the home of Billie Bivens at 11:30 Monday, Dec. 15 for their annual Christmas luncheon and painting ex-change. Carole Fields, Shir-ley Fields, Marion Kendrick, Evelyn Ollinger, Inez Weinheimer, Sue Wills and Juandell Ritter of Groom and Nita Ramming of White Deer enjoyed the festive occa-sion in the Biven's home.

Local Happenings

Cody Babcock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Don Babcock returned home Sunday after being hospitalized last week in Pampa with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth L. McFarland of Paso Robles, Calif. visited her cousin Mrs. Glynn D Harrell and Mr. Harrell Saturday.

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Services Held Saturday For Rev. Stout

Funeral services for Rev. John Henry Stout, age 75, were held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 13, 1986 in the first Baptist Church in Clarendon with the Rev. Truman Ledbetter. ne kev. Truman Ledbetter, pastor, and Scott Jones, grandson of Rev. Stout, officiating. Burial was in Citizens Cemetery in Claren-don with arrangements under the direction of Directors

Rev. Stout died on Thursday December 11 in Hall County Hospital in Memphis following a lengthy illness. He was born December 17, He was born December 17, 1910 in Cave City, Ark. and was married to Jonnie Dillehay on September 4, 1934 at Jacksonville, Texas. He was the pastor of the Baptist Church in Lakeview at the time of his death. He had been a minister for 56 and had pastored churches in had pastored churches in Texas, New Mexico, Okla-homa, Nevada and California. He had been a resi-dent of Clarendon since 1971 He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Clarendon.
Survivors include his wife;

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Nell Jones of Clovis, N.M., Linda Babcock of Groom; three sons, John David Stout of Midland, James Earl Stout of San Antonio, Charles Leon Stout of San Antonio; two sisters, Bess Miller of Canyon, Faye Elledge of Farmington, N.M.; four brothers, Rev. Neal Stout of Bronte, Dan E. Stout of Karnes City, W.M. Stout of Booneville, Rev. Earl Stout of West Fork, Ark.; 12 grand-children; and 9 great-grand-Fork, Ark.; 12 grand-children; and 9 great-grandchildren

Babocck, James Bryan, Bob

Babocck, James Bryan, Bob Trout, Eddie Floyd, B.B. Osburn and Steve Reynolds. The family requests that memorials be made to the Gideons or to the Ameri-can Cancer Society.

Funeral Services Held For Former Resident

Funeral services for Stella May Nelson, 99, of Sham-rock were held Monday at Shamrock Church of Christ. Burial was in Sharock Cemetery under the direction of Richerson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Nelson died Saturday, Dec. 13.

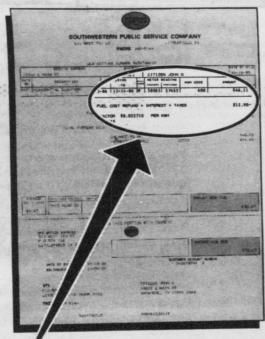
day, Dec. 13.

A former Groom resident, she was born in Johnson County and moved to Wheeler County in 1913. She married John L. Nelson on Dec. 24, 1905, and he preceded her in death Dec. 27, 1970. She was one of the first members of Shamrook first members of Shamrock Church of Christ.

Survivors include three daughters, Gladys Agan of Shamrock, Cula Rae Glasgow of Mangum, Okla., and Frances Shockley of Dumas; a son, John L. of Paramount, Calif; a sister, Mamie Rowland of Visalia, Calif.; seven grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and great-great-grand-

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Work Progressing On Hospital Renovation

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Corp. are pleased that work
on the hospital building is
progressing very well. The
number of workers coming
to the Saturday workdays to the Saturday workdays has been "fabulous" report

team leaders.
So far the work has been tearing down walls, making room for the proposed Community Center. Work this Saturday will begin the rebuilding process. Work has also been done

to prepare for the clinic portion of the building in the back of the east wing. Elec-trical plugs and light fix-tures have been moved to the areas they will be needed.

Anyone wishing to help out is welcome to come prepared to work this Saturday morning at 8:30 a.m.

Fields District Deputy Grand Master of Masons

A Claude farmer and rancher was appointed Dis-trict Deputy Grand Master for the Texas Masonic Grand Lodge at its annual meeting in Waco, Dec. 4-6.

He is Jack D. Fields, past master of Claude Lodge No.

719 in Claude.

As District Deputy, Fields represents Grand Master John E. (Jack) Kelly of San Antonio in the 99th Masonic District during 1987. The district includes five Lodges in Armstrong and Carson Counties Counties.

The Grand Lodge cele-brates its 150th birthday during 1987, having been founded in 1837 by Sam Houston, Anson Jones and

other early Texas Masons.
Fields said that special
programs will be held in all
lodges in his district to
observe the Grand Lodge

birthday.
The Grand Lodge is the governing body for 959 Texas Masonic lodges with over 200,000 members, making it the largest fraternal order in the state. There are some 5 million members of the Masonic Fraternity worldwide.

Fields is a member of the First Baptist Church of Claude and on the Board of Directors of the Armstrong County Farm Bureau.

School Board

details on the job required and to have a bid made prior to theDec. 29 special meet-ing of the board. In other action, board

embers voted to endorse Justice League in their effort to have a ceiling put on liability cases so that insurance will be made available to cover such losses at an affordable rate. Bill England abstained on the vote. Tax collections so far are running at 57 percent complete. And the board approved applying for federal funds that to about \$375 annually.

A special meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. Dec. 29 to approve the annual audit.

Warning Signs For

Troubled Farmers

Many farmers who were forced out of business during the past few years did not have enough equity capi-tal to finance a "capital hungry" farm operation, say two agricultural econo-mists with Texas A&M Uni-

br. Wayne Hayenga and Dr. Danny Klinefelter, economists-management, say that other producers also may be approaching the same situation without real-

They note that farm operations fitting these descriptions may be candidates for failure:

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they say. Traditionally, the economists note, earning rates of agricultural assets are 4 to 6 percent. "A farmer earning the high rate of 6 percent on all assets, but paying 12 percent interest on half of See Warning Signs, Page 26

The Tigerettes won first place in the Silverton Tour-nament held over the weekend. The girls tied with Silverton and Lakeview for the top spot, but the Tigerettes had scored more points during the tourna-ment than any other team so they were awarded the first

place trophy.

The Tigers won second place in the tournament.

Varsity Girls
Groom 41, Briscoe 42,
Erin Eschle, 14, Lezlie
Sweatt 12, Suni Barnett 11. Silverton Tournament Groom 45, Lakeview 51

Barnett 17

nett 26, Eschle 24 Groom 35, Silverton 22, Barnett 15

Barnett 15
Junior High Girls
7th Groom 38, Lefors 0,
Kristi Case, 12, Angela
Belcher and Brandi Sustaire,

8th Groom 41, Lefors 22, Shannon Fields, 22.

Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Harris Howorr. and orrs. Harris How-ard returned this week from Orlando, Fla. where they visited friends and toured parts of Florida. They re-turned home Monday. ed home Monday.



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Financial Focus

It's important to consider our current position in life when making investment decisions.

Age is one of the fac-tors which strongly in-fluences investment decisions. Have you ever noticed, the older we get the more conservative we become? We like to think of stas just being smarter. Is it smarter, or has our position in life changed?

As we grow older, we become aware that a serious investment error could jeo-

pardize the savings we've worked years to accumulate. The closer we get to re-tirement, the fewer years we have to rebuild our reserves. Thus, we become more conservative in our investment approach. Our position is a safe one aimed at preserving what we have.

In our youth, many of us might have said, "shoot the works," because we realized if we lost, we'd have more years ahead to rebuild—certainly, this is not to be critical. cized. In our free enterprise economy, we must have those who are willing to have those who are willing to take a calculated risk in hope of growth. Without this pioneer spirit, advanced thinking could never be real-ity. The point is, our age bears strongly on how much risk we're willing to accept. A strong consideration in our investment approach

our investment approach should be family responsi-

Local **Happenings**

Jake and Vivian Lacy were in Amarillo Monday night meeting Donald and Ronald Lacy Sunday and for a pre-Christmas dinner at the steak house. Donald and steak nouse. Donaid and family are vacationing in Old Mexico. Sandy and Ronald Lacy will be skiing for Christmas vacation and also visiting Old Mexico on a mission project.

Rip and Joy Snyder visit-ed his brother John Snyder in Fritch Sunday.

Kay Britten and Joy Sny-der visited Bernie Tyrell in Coronado Hospital in Pampa Friday night.

bilities. A young person starting out in life with the responsibility of one or more children must consider that responsibility. Maximum necessary protection for the fewest dollars should supercede any forced savings whereby family protection is reduced. reduced.

reduced.

It's wise to set funds aside for emergency use. These funds should be ones that can be easily reached without penalty or loss.

Our financial needs are aways changing, and now we address them at a particular time will depend on our position in life.

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eculation—The employ-t of funds by indiviment of funds by indivi-duals who take risks. Safety of principal is a secondary factor.

Celebrate 40th **Anniversary**

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Guy and Nancy Blackwell celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary Dec. 7, 1986 with a reception at the Groom United Methodist Church.

The event was hosted by the couples children, David and Lanna Brown, Jiggs and Jani Britten and Guy Lynn

and Patty Blackwell.
Guy married the former
Nancy Stockman on Dec. 7, 1946 at El Paso. They have lived in Groom all their married lives.

The Blackwells have

owned and operated the Chevron Service Station in

Groom for 31 years.

The are members of the Groom United Methodist Church. The couple have 7 grandchildren and 4 great-

grandchildren.

The table was decorated with a white lace table cloth with a white lace table cloth over red. The centerpiece was miniature ruby red roses and baby breath accented with candles. The cake was white with miniature red flowers, topped with two lovely white doves with red streamers.

Serving were Sandra Brit.

Serving were Sandra Britten, Amy Brown and Tammy
Bivens. Tracy Britten and
Brody Brown registered the
guests.

Terry Britten and Walt
Perry were busy taking
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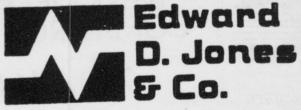
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Alanreed School will have its annual Christmas program Monday night at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. The students will present a musical play, "A Texas musical play, Christmas.

The McLean School bands, Grades 5-12, will present a Christmas concert on Sunday at 2:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.

The first-fourth grade classes of McLean Grade School will have a Christmas program Monday night Dec. 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

The Varsity Boys and Girls basketball teams will compete in the Wheeler tournaments today through Saturday.

Heald United Methodist will have Christmas Eve services at 7:00 p.m. Dec. 24.

Fire Dept. Dinner Held

The McLean Fire Dept. had its annual Steak Dinner last Friday night at the school cafeteria. Guests of honor included all retired firemen, the local DPS officers, the County Commissioner and the City Council. A total of 64 people were present.

The M. Lean Hews

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Appearing in the pictures above are Clint Herndon (top) and Tony Hambright (bottom). A picture of Huey Green was not available at

Three Tigers Named to District 1986 All **Football Team**

Three McLean Tigers have been named to the All District Football Team for 1986. Senior Clint Herndon was named to the second team for punting. He averaged 35.5 yards per punt during the season. Junior Tony Hambright was named as second team Defensive End and Junior Huey Green was named as second team

Defensive Back and received honorable mention was a Running Back. Green had 750 rushing during the sea-

Because statistics were unavailable for one game, total number of tackles for Hambright and Green dur-ing the year are not record-

The All District Team is selected each year by coaches from McLean, Wheeler, Follett, Phillips, Booker and Sunray. This year, 47 players were named to the team and 7 got honorable mention.

Congratulations to these three Tigers for an outstand-

Bands To Perform In Concert

under the direction of Roger

Myers.
In the coming weeks,
McLean band members will

be participating in several competitions. On January 10, players from the Junior High band will go to Phillips to audition for the All Dis-

trict Junior High band. On Jan. 17, Grades 9-12 will

Jan. 17, Grades 9-12 will have their auditions for the High School All District band. Each soloist will be required to learn three or four numbers and will be asked to play a part of each one at the audition. A total of 22 bands will be competing and 108 individuals will be selected to make up the band. A performance of both the Junior High and High School All District bands will be held on Jan. 24 at the

be held on Jan. 24 at the Amarillo Civic Center Aud-

itorium.

On Sunday, the 5th-12th Grade bands will present a Christmas program in the auditorium. The music will begin with the 5th Grade band at 2:00 p.m. They will perform "Jingle Bells", "Up on the Housetop", and "Jolly Old St. Nick."

The 6th Grade band will play "Trumpeter's Christmas March", "Joy to the World", "Silent Night" and "We Wish You a Merry

mas March", "Joy to the World", "Silent Night" and "We Wish You a Merry Christmas."

The Junior High group will perform "Jingle Bells Parade", "Good King Winceslas" and "Two French Carols."

The concert will conclude

The concert will conclude with a performance by the High School band. They will play "White Christmas", "Greensleeves", "I'll Be Home for Christmas", and "Christmas Pops Medley." Tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. the 6th Grade band will give a concert at McLean Care Center. They will play the same songs to be performed at the Sunday concert plus four additional numbers.

On Monday night at 6:30 p.m., Grades 1-4 will present the musical, "Here The concert will conclude

p.m., Grades 1-4 will pre-sent the musical, "Here Comes Christmas." Their numbers will include "Pick-ing Our Christmas Tree', Cookies", Cards", 'Christmas Shopping's, Christmas 'Christmas "Wrapping Christmas Gifts", and "The Meaning of Christmas." All of the Christmas." All of the obers of the 3rd and 4th members of the 3rd and 4th Grade classes and eight members of the 2nd Grade will perform solos during the program.
All of these groups will be

Businesses Announce Holiday Schedules

No newspaper will be published next week as the staffs in McLean and Groom take their annual vacation. The news office will close on Dec. 19 and reopen on Dec.

McLean schools will dis miss at 1:40 p.m. on Dec. 23 and will resume classes on Jan. 5. Alanreed schools will dismiss at 1:15 p.m. on Dec. Jan. 5. The School Business
Office will be closed Dec.
24-26 and Jan. 1-2. City
offices will close Dec. 25-26
and Jan. 1. The Office of the Justice of the Peace will be closed Dec 25 and Jan 1

Gregg Mann Completes Training

Airman 1st Class Gregg W. Mann, son of Nona R. Turpen of McLean, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force aerospace ground equipment mechanic course at Chanute Air Force Base,

During the course, students were taught to repair generators, gas turbines and hydraulic pumping equip-ment. They also earned credits toward a associate degree through the Com-munity College of the Air

Some of the businesses which will close during the which will close during the holidays are: Puckett's-Dec. 25; Bank of Commerce-noon Dec. 24-25 and Jan. 1; Richardson's Texaco-Dec. 25 and Jan. 1; Texas Restaurant-Dec. 24-26; Hamaurant-Dec. 24-26; Hambright's Building Supplies-Dec. 24-28; Lamb Flower'shop-Dec. 25; B and B Electric-noon Dec. 23-28 and Jan. 1; Simpson Agency-Dec. 25-26 and Jan. 1; McLean Pharmacy-noon Dec. 24-25 and Jan. 1. The Country Corner Texaco will remain open throughout the

Holland Attends 3 Day DPS Seminar

DPS Officer John Holland DPS Officer John Holland attended three eight-hour classes last week on testing for drunk drivers. Sponsored by Texan A&M, the course was designed to help unify-testing and grading practices used by law enforcement officers to detect whether or not a driver has been drinking. The testing been drinking. The testing involves three parts: horizontal nystagmus or involun-tary jerking movements of the eye; heel to toe walking; and standing on one leg. Officer Holland said use of Officer Holland said use these tests could help simplify the administration field sobriety tests.

Fire/Ambulance Calls

The McLean Fire Department answered two during the past week. The first was a false alarm on Friday night. The second was a small grass fire on Sunday afternoon on Donley Street. No damage was re-

The McLean Ambulance Service responded to a call last Thursday night at the Country Corner Texaco. Billie D. Rice was transported to Coronado Hospital in

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Toy Drive for Needy **Continues Until Xmas**

The Toy Drive on behalf of needy families in the area is continuing and will be in progress up until Christmas. progress up until Christmas. Being sponsored by the McLean High School Stu-dent Body, the drive has already received many don-ations of canned food, toys, clothes, trading stamps and If anyone has useable

items to contribute, or if they would like to make any kind of donation, collection points include the High School teacher's lounge, the School Business Office, the Methodist and Baptist Churches, the Bank of Com-merce and Lovett Library.

We encourage you to sup-port this effort to help some families enjoy a Merry

COW POKES By Ace Reid 0 ACE RE12/8/87

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McLean Care **Center News**

Sunday, Brother Billy Wil-son, of the United Methodist Church, was here to conduct

Residents playing bingo were Ruth Kemp, Elsa Stalls, Leon Burch, Earl Tolleson, Fay Wilson, Kittie Hessey, Annie Eudey, Alice Dickenson, Teresa Richard-Dickenson, Teresa Kicharu-son, Inez Fields, Clyde Trus-ty, Lucille Cullison, Odessa Beeman. Our helpers were Loree Barker, Mildred Gies-Gibson. Bananas were furn-

Gibson. Bananas were furnished by the Lions Club.

Tuesday morning, Bobby
Caldwell was here to read to
a resident. In the afternoon,
Ted Robertson was here to
assist the following residents in dominos: Earl Tolleson, Annie Eudey, Odessa
Beeman, Clyde Trusty, P.L.
Ledgerwood, Leon Burch,
Thelma Hopkins and Teresa
Richardson.

Thursday morning, Leon Burch, Alice Dickenson, Yeresa Richardson, Annie Eudey, Odessa Beeman, Lona Jones and Delbert Murray worked in crafts. They made Candy Christmas trees. In the afternoon, Ted trees. In the afternoon, 1ea Robertson was here to assist the residents in dominos.

the residents in dominos.
Friday night was our Family Night Holiday dinner.
The invocation was brought by Brother Archie Cooper.
We appreciate the great representation of our residents families and the proximately 175-200 people were in attendance in were in attendance cluding our residents. Many thanks to the Ledgerwood family for furnishing the hams and turkeys. A special thank you to the McLean Care Center Ladies Auxiliary and staff members for serving, also the family members for the food brought in. It was a great time for all.

Sunday, Dec. 21, will be the residents' opening of gifts. Santa Claus will make his appearance at 2:00 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17, at 10:00

a.m. Roger Myers will bring the grade school band here to play for us. Tuesday, Dec. 23, Evelyn

Shaw and the students from the Alanreed school will be here at 10:00 a.m. to present us with a Christmas program.

McLean Briefs

Visiting in the home of Mrs. Evan Sitter during Thanksgiving were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Foster of Sherman Mrs. Richard Dennis of Dallas, Spencer Sitter of Santa Fe and Lester Sitter of Denver.

Thanksgiving visitors with Mr. and Mrs. A.W. Lankford were Bill, Lynn and Lauren Lankford, Kevin, Neely, Adria, Matthew and David Lankford, all of Amarillo; Mrs. R.E. Hendrix of Dimmitt and Dawson, Mick. Dimmitt and Dawson, Mick-ey and Stacy Jackson of

Recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Brown and Mr. and Mrs. A.W. Lankford were their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Lankford of Mod-esto, Ca.

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Ruby Dorsey took her son, Jay, to Amarillo last week for medical attention.

Rose Hall had her son and daughter, Jack and Beth from Clarendon, visiting rec-

Anita Bruce made a trip to Pampa Friday.

Nell Keese and Diane Connor made a trip to Amarillo last week to get a new washing machine for Nell.

Betty Finley was home this week after spending several days in Wheeler Hospital. nding

Lena Carter went to Pampa Tuesday and was joined by Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Carter for a trip to Amarillo. In Amarillo, they were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bruce and Debrah Walker and went to Clovis, New Mex. to attend funeral services for Hattie Young. Services were held in Steed-Todd Funeral Home Chapel. Interment was in the Plains Sanctuary Mausoleum.

The 20th Century Study Club met in the Alanreed school cafetorium for its annual Christmas Party on Dec. 11. A lovely supper of turkey and all the trimmings was enjoyed by everyone. was enjoyed by everyor President Rose Hall a Natasha Simmons ga gifts were exchanged. Members present gifts were exchanged. Members present were Rose Hall, Mary Davis, Relia Sharp, Nola Crisp, Lena Carter, Cliffie Heasley, Ada Sim-mons, Bertha Smith, Safron-ia Pettit and Louise Dickenson. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Bob Adams, Natasha Simmons, Hartley Davis, Jack Ayers, Granville and Mary Simmons and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Sharp.

Holiday Greeting

To our friends in McLean, are thinking of you and wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Enloe and Nola Crisp

Thank You

Dear Friends: Our burden was made easier to bear by your expressions of loving concern. The wonderful food, your calls and prayers helped us through this time of sorrow. This is a caring community.

We thank you and appre-

ciate you.
Sincerely,
The Family of L.R. (Les) Day

Thank You

I appreciate sincerely your expressions of sympathy by way of cards, flowers and prayers in the loss of my son, Larry D. Lopez.
Sincerely,

Betty Lopez

Thank You

I want to thank everyone I want to thank everyone for the cards, flowers and food sent during my illness. I also want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas. Pauline Wolford

Swap-a-Hobby Club Has Christmas Party

Swap-a-hobby club met Dec. 9 in the home of Mickey Dec. 9 in the home of Mickey Jackson for their Christmas party. A short program on "What is Christmas" was given plus club members exchanged craft ideas. On exchanged craft ideas. On display was a nativity made of burlap and a barbed-wire wreath in the shape of Texas decorated with red, white and blue lights. A donation has been sent to the Lubbock State School plus canned goods were collected for a sent to the Lubbock. goods were conected for a food bank in McLean. Wel-come was made to two new members, Loyce Murray and Janet McCracken. The club meets the third Wednesday of the month.

Refreshments were served to Loree Barker, Jerry Corbin, Clara Hupp, Sophia Hutchinson, Maggie Johnston, Mickey Jackson, Ramah Lou Lankford, Loyce Murray, Janet McCracken, Judy Orrick, Virginia Tate, and guest Mrs. Pete Lankford of Modesto, Ca. Refreshments

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Son of Resident Dies In Fresno, CA

Services for Roy S. Cash, 59, son of a McLean resident, were held on Friday, Nov. 28, 1986, at Fresno Memorial Gardens in Fresno, Ca.

no, Ca.

He died Nov. 25, 1986.

He was a Cement Mason for 30 years and was a member of Operator Plasters and Cement Masons Local #188 where he was President for 20 years.

Survivors include his wife.

Survivors inclu de his wife. Juanell Cash, of the home; three sons, Shelby J. Cash, Vaughn R. Cash and John L. Cash, all of Fresno; two daughters, Retha G. Cash of Fresno and Royetta Kerns of Coarsegold; his mother, Sof-rona Pettit of McLean; one brother, J.E. Cash, of Flint, Mich.; two sisters, Betty Petrosello of Clovis and Emily Massey of Sacramento; one step-sister, Larue Ham-bright of McLean; and 5 grandchildren.



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Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,

I would like a Pound
Puppy, Peck-a-Boo baby, a
cabbage Patch watch, a My
Little Pony, a folder with a
horse, and a cabbage Patch
girl

Love, Melissa

Dear Santa,

I want a new football and a foot ball pump, Weel of Fortune, and a battle ship game, a soccer ball pump, and a four weeler and a big pound puppy and a trans-former watch. I been a good

Love, Chad

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a remote control car, a Sar-gent Slaughter, and a four wheeler.

Dear Santa, I would like some army boots, an army jacket, a soccer ball, army warmups, and shoe with markes, an army briefcase, and an army back pack.

Love,

Dear Santa,

I love you. Please bring me a bike, a castle, and a four-wheeler. Merry Christmas and I

will leave cooks out for you.

Love
Charles

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl. I would like a pound puppy, a Cabbage Patch kid, some new shoes, and some new dresses, But I would do any thing in the whole world for a real puppy. Love,

Frin

Dear Santa.

I want a Cabbage Patch, poppel pound puppy, key-board, a water bed, a tram-poline a keeper My Little Pony Ken doll Barbie doll, clothes, jewelry box mak-up

> Love, Pamela

Dear santa,
I would like a Cabbage
Patch Cornsilk Hair, a pound
puppy, pound puppy clothes
a My chilt and a Poppel.

Love.

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a pound puppy, a Cabbage Patch Kid, a Barbie and the Rockers, a bike, Dream Glow Barbie, a popple, and a My Child doll. And I will

leave you milk and cookies and I hope you like them.

Love,

Dear Santa.

I want a locker, an NEL langer, a Ray Stevens tape, a jam box, a saddle blanked, a remote control robot an a skate board, a remote control dump truck, warm-ups and some suprise.

Love,

Dear Santa

I would like a My Childd with a yellow dress and blonde hair, a jam box, and a trampoline. Merry Christ-

Dear Santa, I would like a princess and pony, clothes, shoses, a Care Bear, a little ber, makeup, and doll stuffed with candy.

Love, Erin

Dear Santa, I want for Christmas is a uitar. I would like a truck. Race track with cars. And a

Love, William

Dear Santa,

I want a dare devil race track, a remote control car and a Moodi fier fier truk. I have been good. Love,

Jonathan

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I have been a Very good kid this year. I want a Transformer, a water Bed, a new pair of shoes A boy Cabbage Patch some little cars, race cars a jam box, clothes. That all your friend.

Love

Derek

Dear Santa.

I would like a Barbie doll, ew shoes, a popple and a My little pony.

Angela

Dear Stant,

I would like a smell roido. I would like a Jem boy. I would like a Jem. I would like a smel pono.
Michelle

I am 5 years old and my name is Sara. I have been pretty good this year. Please bring me a Rock Star Barbie,

a cat for her, and a Barbie

I love you,

My name is Seth. I am mine years old. Please bring me a Hotwheels super Tur-botox Set, Transformers, Autobot Metroplex.

Dear Snata,
Please bringe me a real
dog snzer and a jam box like
my mothers and some skates
and a real nete game like
batel ship and a big firskin
and a remote car.
I love you Santa
Justin

Dear Santa Claus,
Bring me what ever you
want. I hope you have a good

Dear Santy,

Dear Santy,

I want pink boots more than anything in the wold and a new cowgirl hat. But I think I mite want the pink books more than the hat. I am sore if you thank that I am asking for to much I don't have to have the hat.

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been soso good this year. Can I have some brush on finger nell pollish and a ranglers blue coat and 2 tines rackets with a ball and a kit of Lee press on nails.

Sinserely,
Jessica

Dear Santacluse,

I would like a game of operashin and computer. I would like a game, hungre hungre hipos and pig ball and bed bugs and a bag of skilts. I would like Jem.

From Jennifer,
What I whan't for Christmas I whan't the Barbie glamor bath and the Barbie Dream bed and dresser and Dream bed and dresser and swimming pool for barbie and some pretty dresses and I wan't. 2 baby talks and I wan't some clothes for me and my sister Julie some pretty clothes and the Heart family play ground and I whant to cabage pach premies one for me and one for my sister and some clothes for them to and the heart family, and the baby to go with it and the barbie Kitchen and some mittens for chen and some mittens for me and my sister and a pair of boots for me and my sister

and some cowgirl shirts and pants Size 9 in little girls and Size 11 because She is 11 years old and I am 9 years old.

From Jennifer to Santa

Dear Santa,

I want a wrangler coat. I am pretty sure that I have been good! I live in McLean Texas in a rock house. I will leave the back door open.

Sincerely yours,

Heather

Dear Santa,
I wan't a bike with pink
and blak. and a slinky watch.
and some barbe clothse with
ice skats and a record player and christmas tree for bar

Love, Shelly

Dear Santa,
Heres the things I want
for Cristmas thats on the top
of my list. A basketball goal,

and a pair of Sunday School Shoes, calculator and a of pants.

Dear Santa

For Christmas I would like red boots, secrets bestunes, and Get in Sh tunes, and Get in Girl! Workout, and puppies care set

Dear Santa,
I want all of the GI Joe and
I would like some of the GI
Joe vehicles and all so some
Rock Lords Abbgua Sind.
Justin

Dear Santa,
My name is Sy. I am 6
years old. I have been trying
to be good. I want a Hot
Wheels Sto N' Go Construction Site. Also some trucks.
Thanks,

Sy













I would like too see you again. I forgot too tell you everything I want I would like too tell you what I want. I want a puppy and a doll. Love

Dear Santa,
I would like A Pink Barbie
car. My Brother Michael
wants A watch and Daleneeds A real car, a real rad
car. Dasy Mae needs A
sweater and Dad wants A
gun case and Mom wants A
coat. Please remember. Please remember RUTH.

Jennifer Renee



happiness of the sea-son. May you share in its joys.

The

Batemans

Dear Santa,

I want a computer and a
Big popple and a robot!
and David a drill racing car,
fire truck, dump truck.
Love
Kimberly and David

Dear Santa

Dear Santa,

I would like you to bring me a Doll and a unicorn Lunch Pail, Make-up, 2 pair pants, jewelry, Elephant house shoes.

a TV for my room I have been as good as I can. I hope you have Watched me on my good days.

you have ... good days. Love,

Sherry

Dear Santa.

I want a jambox, a Popple, a Keeper, a newborn Cab-bage Patch, roller skates, and a bunch of surprises. I Love u.

Shalev

Dear Santa,

I love You. For Christmas I would like a magic Barbie, Casey, Stirrup pants, big shirt, and a white Christ-

> Love Krystle

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you. I an fine. Le is baby siten us but that's notn't. All I want She-ra and Her Castle and cabbage
patch Cornsilk kibs in white
please. Get in shape girl
workout, Barre. Fanci Flup
pinck and white Baby, Your
Dancing puppy.

Love
Moriah

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Merry Christmas



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mas! May you and your family

share in all its wondrous joys.

CHRISTMAS

Page 10—THL GROOM NEWS Dear Santa, Thursday, December 18, 1986 I want a

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,

I want a teddy bear that talks and a Raggedy Ann doll.

Love, Melissa

Dear Santa,
I would like a bike for Christmas.

Thank you,

I want a new Bike for Christmas. Thank you for Christmas. everything. Dale

Dear Santa,
I want a Rambo Set, a
Thunder Cat.

Also I want a machine gun, a man with a moter-cycle. I have been a good boy.

I love you.

Max

To our many fine customers: may your Holiday Season be full of hap-py blessings and Christmas cheer. Corrine's Style Shop Corrine Babe Jean .. Norma



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Dear Santa,

I want some darts and a foot ball. Just get me anything else you want to I have been a good boy this year.

Merry Christmas.

Nathan Dear Santa,

Dear Santa, Have a good Christmas. I would like to have a new



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Dear Santa Clous, My name is Rosa Linda. I just wanted to say Hil to tell

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me this things. Santa you are my best friend.
Yours truly,
Rosa Linda

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Christmas! I love
you. I would like for you to
bring me a sewing machine,
Get In Shape Girl Stuff,
some clothes, a pretend

For Christopher, I would like a new rocking horse,

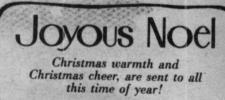
The Animal, a pretend drill, and a backhoe. For Amanda, I would like a vacuum, a Pound Puppy,

and other toys.

For Jesus, I want to give
Him my love and a Special
song for His birthday.

Thank you, Bonnie Kay





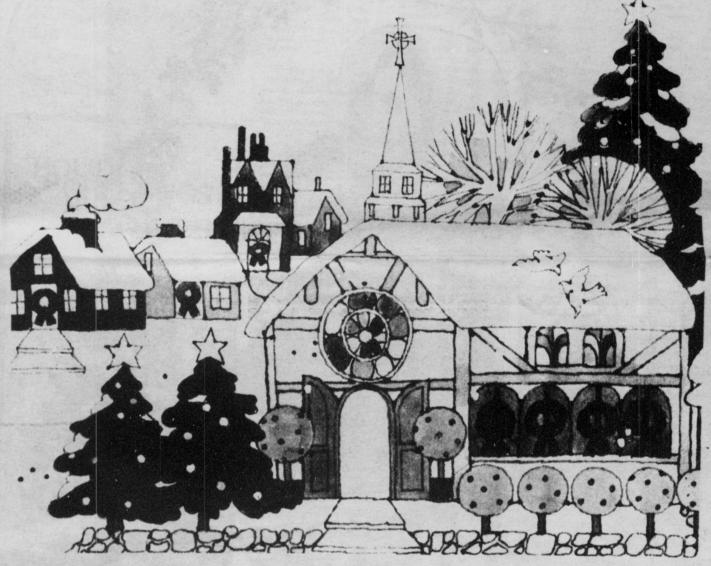
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It's Christmas, joyous Christmas, once again. May yours be a happy one, and your new year, too!



Roman Friemel Gary Friemel Mike Friemel Tony Treadwell Aaron Wieberg Joe Vallejo

Calvin Koelder Linda Jenkins *

Peace on Earth



Wishing all the blessings of the Holiday Season to you and your loved ones. We hope that you will always find peace and contentment, guided by that everlasting light that led the shepherds to the Holy Child. Have a happy Christmas season.



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Merry Christmas

To all our neighbors both far and near? A very Merry Christmas, and a bountiful and happy New Year.—Ronny and Linda Fields, Shannon, Kim and Roni Michelle Best wishes for a wonderful Christmas and happiness in the New Year.? Gene, Patt, Debbie, Mike, Mark & Gary Carter

May the spirit of the Christ Child stregthen and brighten your life and bring countless blessings to —Nellie Ford





May the true meaning of Christmas dawn once again and bring its blessings to the world and its people. We wish you all the best this holiday season.

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The blessings of Christmas are many. May you enjoy all of them.—Ross & Cleo Nix

May the season bring you and yours every happiness. Merry Christmas to all.—Mrs. Essie Cooper Knowles

May the Spirit of Christmas bless you and yours and bring you the joys of the season.—Mrs. Agnes Homer

Peace on Earth—May the blessings of the season be with you always.—Mary Lou Homer

Our best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our friends.—Curtis & Oma Schaffer

Wishing you a Christmas that is bright with promise, warm with hope, and blessed with joy, peace and love.—Charlotte, Frankie, Tony and Angie Clayburn

In the Madonna and Child mankind sees an everpresent symbol of the love of God, the glory of Christmas. May joy be yours at this holy, happy time.—The Jerry Ashfords

Love, Faith, Peace—May you and your dear ones share the quiet wonder the Yuletide.—Edna Frederiksen

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and may your New Year be filled with happiness. — Marietta Rritten

May this holy time bring to your hearts His clear message of Christmas love. —Max & Helen Wade Sing a song of joy this Christmas season and fill your world with happiness for the coming year.— Donald & Juandell Ritter

Whatever the years may bring. . . Whatever changes come. . . Christmas remains a time for happy recollections—a time to remember treasured friends.—Brent, Beverly, Michele & Michael Stephens

Friends are a wonderful part of Christmas. Have a happy onel—Kenny, Linda, Susan, Karen, & Clint Babcock

Wishing you a bright, happy Christmas and a wonderful New Year.— Loula Wall

Hope there's lots of fun stirring at your house!— Merry Christmas—The Lamberts, Greg, Dena, Kiley, Ty & Tom

In the blessed Christmas story was born in Bethlehem, and may that love be yours at Christmas time and all through the year.—Sybil Brown

Best wishes for the Holiday Season and the coming year.—Larry, Kay, Adam & Lori Stephens

May the beauty of the season bring you hope and joy. Merry Christmas.—The

May you have the spirit of Christmas which is peace, the gladness of Christmas which is hope, and the heart of Christmas which is love.—Bertha Knight

May your Christmas be blessed in a multitude of ways by Him who is worthy of all our praise!—Ellen Dickerson THE GROOM NEWS—Page 13 Thrusday, December 18, 1986

Joy to you and yours.— John, Glynda, Darron, Erin Kate and Jason Eschle.

Thinking of you and wishing you a wonderful Christmas season.—Lloyd & Verda Lee Littlefield

May the Infant Jesus bless you and all your loved ones.—Albert, Ben and Lucille Britten

Wishing you the joys of Christmas and happiness all through the year, from Abilene, Texas.—C.B. and Lois Campbell

May the Spirit of Christmas abide with you throughout the coming year.—Hop and Jan Britten, Sarah and Travis

May the peace and happiness of Christmas be yours today and everyday throughout the coming year.—Tony & Tina Painter

Happy Holiday! Here's hoping your Christmas is a merry one.—Joe and Barney Davis

Let peace ring out for all this holiday season and bring the true joy of Christmas to you and your loved ones.—Dorothy & Ernest

Here are wishes expressly for our many friends: the happiest of holidays and the best of everything.—Guy & Nancy Blackwell

The holy spirit of Christmas reaches out with our good wishes to each of you.—C.L. & Ludeen Wieberg & Aaron

May your holidays be bright, beautiful and bountiful. Merry Christmas!— Ruby Milton

Wishing each of you a very happy holiday season as well as the best of everything.—Lavesta Barnett





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Their way was not easy. His birth was humble and hard. Let's recapture in our hearts the spirit of love and peace they experienced that first Christmas day.

The Groom News

Dec. 9-McLean 60, Higpins 27; Shandee Rice-16; Misty Magee-13; Darla McAnear-10; Angie Rey-nolds-6; Jem Ann Rice-5; Alicia Reynolds-4; Shawn Crockett-3; Kim Beaver-3; Cindy Hembree-2

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MCLEAN VARSITY GIRLS

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Season record: 6-4 MCLEAN VARSITY BOYS

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Dec. 12-Lefors 68, McLean 47; Sid Brass-15; Mark McCarty-14; Kyle Woods-10; Clint Herndon-4; Devid Bidman 2, Leff Par David Ridgway-2; Jeff Par-

Season record: 3-6 JUNIOR HIGH BOYS

Dec. 15-McLean 50, Claude 36; David Johnson-15; Mickey Gomez-12; Des-try Magee-9; Daniel Harris-9; Tuffy Sanders-3; Bobby Sherman-2

Season record: 7-0 JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS

15-Claude

McLean 19; Susan Worsham-7; Lee Ayn Jordan-5; Brandy Melton-3; Hollie Hauck-2; Kelly Beck-1; Julianna Crockett-1

Season record: 3-4

Graduates WTSU

Jana Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Davis, has received her Masters Degree in Education from West Texas State Univer-West Texas State University. She is currently teaching in the Hereford school district.

Holiday Greeting

We would like to extend to you the warmest holiday greetings. We hope that Santa is good to you and makes all of your Christmas wishes come true. May you have continued health and happiness through the coming year.

Bob, Jeanette, Dan and Joe The Swansons Larry, Lynn, Tony and Ryan

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County Revenues Still Down

The State Comptroller's Office recently sent checks totaling \$54.3 million in local sales taxes to 1,033 cities that levy the one-percent city tax. State-wide payments for 1986 to date are down almost 2 percent as compared to the payments to date in December of last

In Gray County, which has experienced losses in revenue for the past several months, the trend is continuing. The county-wide loss for this reporting period was 13.44 percent. In McLean, however, year to date revenue.

nues are up from \$18,991.72 for 1985 to \$19,636.37 for 1986. This represents a 3.39 percent increase. Lefors also did well with a gain of 28.09 percent. Pampa, which has suffered losses in excess of 10 percent during recent months, was down again. Year to date revenues fell from \$1,610,927.23 in 1985 to \$1,389,312.92 in 1986. This represents a loss of 13.76 percent.

December checks reflect taxes collected on sales made in October and reported to the Comptroller by November 20.

Shelterbelts Have Many Advantages

Have you noticed how hard the wind has been blowing lately? Well the Gray County Soil and Water Conservation District Board has noticed and they are doing something about it. They are encouraging landowners to plant trees for a farmstead windbreak. Also, to help the landowners to get started the district board is taking orders for tree seedlings. If you are not convinced you need a windbreak just read on for some of the advantages of a tree windbreak

break.

One of the most common reasons given for planting a windbreak is monetary value. A properly located windbreak containing the right species of trees can reduce your fuel bill by as much as 30 percent annually. Not only will an effective windbreak protect your home from the icy blasts of snow and wind in the winter, but in the summer it will provide shade around the homestead. Summer temperatures can be as much as 25 degrees Fahrenheit cooler in tree shade as opposed to direct sun.

Another advantage of a living windbreak is the aesthetic value. With proper planning and a little care

each year a farmstead windbreak can be a beautiful addition to the home. Evergreens and flowering shrubs can be arranged to make the wind barriers attractive and thus pleasing to view, adding to the value of the property.

property.

Still another advantage of a farmstead windbreak is the attraction of wildlife. Wildlife have four basic needs: food, water, cover and reproductive needs. Trees and shrubs in a windbreak provide three of these needs to the wildlife and with proper planning water can be provided. So with the right planning songibirds, pheasants, rabbits and many other animals can be drawn closer to the home providing enjoyment for the homeowner.

As you can see there are a lot of reasons, only a few of which are listed here, for having a windbreak around your home. The Soil Conservation Service, working with the Gray County Soil and Water Conservation District, will provide help planning windbreaks. Anyone wanting assistance should call 665-1751 or come by the Soil Conservation Service office located in the Gray County Courthouse Annex on highway 60.

Holiday Greeting

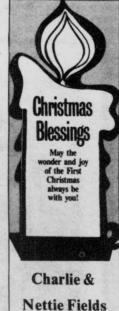
Well, it has been another VERY fast year for us but we hope that 1987 will be a little slower so we can "stop and smell the flowers"! In June, we went to Kansas for Stephanie's wedding, and she and Andy will be visiting us late this month. During Sept. and Nov. we made 2 short vacations to Vegas and actually came out ahead both times! The rest of our time has been spent playing tennis and golf. Al was promoted to Manager, Air-



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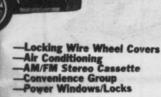
crew Training Devices Project Office and is very happy with the people he has hired and the work he is doing.

Our best wishes for a very happy, healthy and prosperous 1987! Al and Carla Byniarski









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Merry Christmas

Wishing you the best gift of the season, happiness at Christmas and always.— Ruth James

May happiness abound in your home on Christmas Day and fill the hours with love and contentment.—Bud & Evelyn Schaffer.

May the spirit of the Christ Child stregthen and brighten your life and bring countless blessings to you. —Jim & Emaline Hermesmeyer

May the meaning of Christmas be deeper, its friendships stronger and its hopes brighter as it comes to you this year.—Dean & Donna Burger God be with you! May He fill your Christmas with his love and light your life with His joy.—Ethel Blackwell

We hope this joyous time will bring to you all the goodness of Yuletide.? he Pattersons, Randal, Nancy, Heather and Rhett

May thoughts of peace and love be with you this season.

—Peggy Ham

May every happiness be yours at Christmas and throughout the New Year.— Martin & Betty Hermesmeyer

May yours be a joyous Christmas and New Year.— Pete & Gladys Fields

Christmas joy and a New Year filled with happiness and peace.—Charlie & Theresa Hermesmeyer May faith be your guide this Christmas to the blessings of the season.—Bill, Georgann, David & Daniel Hinson Here's hoping Santa has something special for you in his bag of gifts. Have a very Merry Christmas!—The Johnny Brooks Family





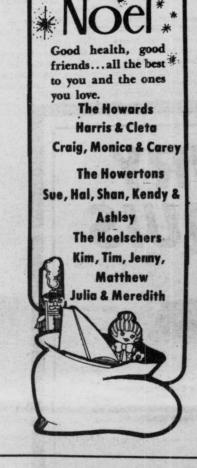
May all the joys and happiness be yours this Christmas season and always. Happy holidays to all.

City Of Groom

Mayor, Al Homer Bill Homer Pat Ashford John Eschle Jerry Thornton Don Case Jimmy Britten

Bobby Babcock

Jack Barnett







Ring out, O Christmas bells, across the countryside. Our wishes to all for a Happy Yuletide.

C.L. Culver

Merry Christmas

We wish you a season of Christmas beautiful ents—lasting memories to treasure always.—Nancy & Johnny Brumley

Wishing you a wonderful Christmas season.—Glenn Smith

Have a fun-filled Christmas and your happiest year ever.—Doug & Marilyn

May the blessings and good wishes for this Christmas be with each of you.—Billy & Shirley Fields

This brings aprayer at Christmas time that God will always bless your home and you and those you love with lasting happiness.—John Valdez

May every home be bright and every heart filled with love at this happy holiday season.—Bill and Doshia

Health, wealth and happiness—that's what we wish for our friends this holiday season.—The Kotaras, Sambo, Adela, Kim, Lindy, Staci & Halee

May the peace and happiness of Christmas be yours today and everyday throughout the coming year.—Cleo

May you discover the magic of Christmas all over again.—John, Janice, again.—John, Janice, Brent, Bruce & Sheri

May joy and peace abide with you throughout this holiday season and may all the days of the New Year be very bright.—Kris & Kenneth Black

Wishing you joy during this Holy Season and throughout the New Year.— W.H. & Evelyn Ollinger

May the blessings of the season be yours and may the New Year be full of joy and good cheer.—Josephine

Wishing you a bright Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.—Ted & Mary Lee Friemel

Wishing all our friends and neighbors a joyous Christmas and Happy New Year.—Norris & Allie Hoyt

May you have the Peace, Love and Hope which is Christmas.—The Lyles, Don Mary Sue, Julie, Aimee and

Merry Christmas! Sending you warm wishes for a bright and beautiful Holiday Season.—Gene & Edith Wade



Best wishes for peace, joy and friendship at this beauti-ful season.—Pauline Looten

May the Christmas hour sing with joy for you and those you love.—Ray & Alice Britten

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May Christmas bring to you the music of laughter; the warmth of friendship; and the spirit of love.—Lel-don — Betty Hudson



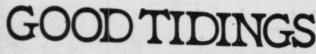


Glad Tidings

Peace and joy and friendships strong; may these blessings be yours this Christmas!

Attebury Grain Inc.

Bob Byrd-Manager





Let happiness and goodwill abound during this most joyous of holidays.

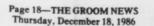
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Leon & Mary Bohr & Family Bill & Linda Bohr & Family And Employees

Hope you are surrounded with joy and happiness this Christmas season. Our best wishes to you and your family. We thank you for your support throughout the year.

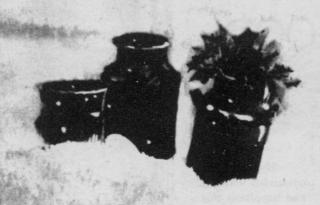
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It's the season

to decorate our hearths and homes with holiday cheer...and to wish our many friends a truly joyous Yuletide!

Groom Wheat Growers

Judy Ruthardt

Larry Meeks

Scotty Andrews

Johnny Cline

Earl Barke

Tom Wheeler

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Greetings

May your holiday season e a time of special happi-ess.—Earl & Yvonne

Dan & Pat

Ashford

To friends and loved ones seen each day; To friends and loved ones far away— Warmest wishes for Happy Holidays.—Helen Homer

May the seasons of your life be filled with peace and love.—Marvin & Jean

to you and the ones The Fields, Bud, Connie, Melissa, Scott, Jeffery & David

Christmas is the joy of wishing you. . . all the special gifts of Christmas, peace, goodwill and abiding happiness.—Bill & Wynona Koetting

In the blessed Christmas story, love was born in Beth-lehem; and may that love bring joy to you as Christ-mas comes again.—Arnold and Doris Kuehler

Especially for you at Christmas with warmest thoughts and wishes.—Ruby Swank

Somehow, not only for Christmas but all the long year through, the joy that you give to others is the joy that comes back to you. Happy holidays!—Bud and Margaret Babcock

May your home be bless-ed with the laughter of friends and family, the joys of the season, and the love of God.—Alice Wells & Kristi

May the spirit of Christ-mas fill your heart and home with happiness.—John, Mary, Kyle and Jill Howard

Hoping your Christmas is Jolly.? The Little Rascals, Michele Brooke, Frances, Travis, Melissa, Dusty and Mrs.

This Christmas greeting comes your way to wish you all good cheer enough to fill your holiday and last the whole new year.—Julia McGee

Wishing all our good friends a holiday filled with love and laughter.—Rip and Joy Snyder

All of the fun that Christ-mas brings, that's our holi-day wish to you.—Truman, Nina, Sean & Cory Richey, #9 Terrace Dr., San Angelo,

Merry Christmas one and all what a wonderful fall.— Truman & Crim Goodlett

Wishing you the gifts of peace and happiness this Christmas and always.—Zoah Britten







and thank you...For the joy of serving you in the Past - For the privilege of sharing with you the Present,

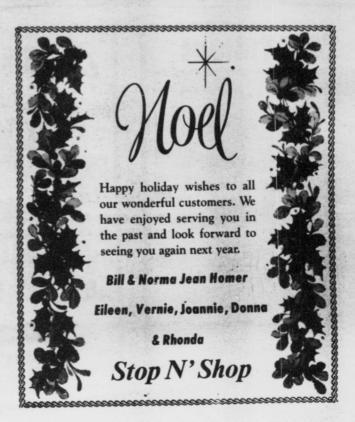
For the hope of working with you toward a great Future!

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Pav, Toni & Luke





Greetings

At this holy season, may we wish you and yours every blessing.—Bill, Roberta and Robbie Ellington

A hope is rekindled in hearts everywhere, may you and yours enjoy a happy holiday season.—The Butch Browns of Floydada

At this Christmas Season and throughout the new year, may you be blessed with good health and happiness.—Nadine, Johnny and Helen Lee

Wishing all a blessed Christmas with gifts of love and laughter and peace unending. Bill, Mildred & Johnny Burgin

May the spirit of the season fill your house and remain there with you through out the year. Happy Holidays!— Nath, Bertie & Mike Helton.

Happy Holidays to all our special friends. We wish you a bright and beautiful Christmas.—Robert, Carolyn, Vicki and Russell West

Season's Greetings—The season is the reason for wishing you the very Roman and Neysa Friemel and Family May this sacred season bring its finest blessings to you and those you love.— John, Patsy, Tricia and Walt Fraser



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Rick, Gail, Jim & Elizabeth

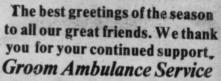


















Letters To Santa

Dear Santa.

Dear Santa,

I want a new bike a baby sister and big tucks. I will leave carrots for your reindeer to eat. I will looking forward to your visit. I love

Love, Jeremy

Dear Santa,

I wan a Cabbage patch
with corn silk hair a Bike,
and a Baby Talk. I have
moved from Perryton to

Dear Santa,

I want a baby Cabbage
Patch, my pony, and a teddy
bear. I will leave you some

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cookies and milk. I love you,

Love, Jennifer

I want a computer, a Bardie and a Cabbage Patch for Christmas.

Love, Amber

Dear Santa,

I want a watch, a Teddy Bear, and a Pound Puppy I have been good this year I will leave carrots for your

Love, Jessica

Dear Santa,
I want a turbo train, a
Voltran with a Rodamus
Prime. I have been good.
Love, Michael

I want a new bicycle a Baby Pound Puppy and a Pound Puppy. I will have some milk for you and a carrot for each of your reindeer. I love you, Santa. I in you Santa. you Santa.

Love, Daniel

Dear Santa,

I want a new watch, a new nerfle, a Real Baby doll. I will leave out milk and cook-ies for you. I will give your reindeers some carrots. Love, Angie

Dear Santa, I want a three wheeler. To by Ruxpin and some big trucks. I have been good. My mom will bake some cookies for you to eat and ! vill leave you some milk too, Love, Parker

Dear Santa, Hi! I want a Popple, a Star

Girl Barbie doll set, and a baby Pound puppy. I am looking forward to Christ-mas and I have been good. you may think that I have been good. Santa fill my

Dear Santa,
I want a doll a cat and

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purses. I love you, I will leave out milk and cookie for you to snack on. I have been a good girl. I Love you Santa.

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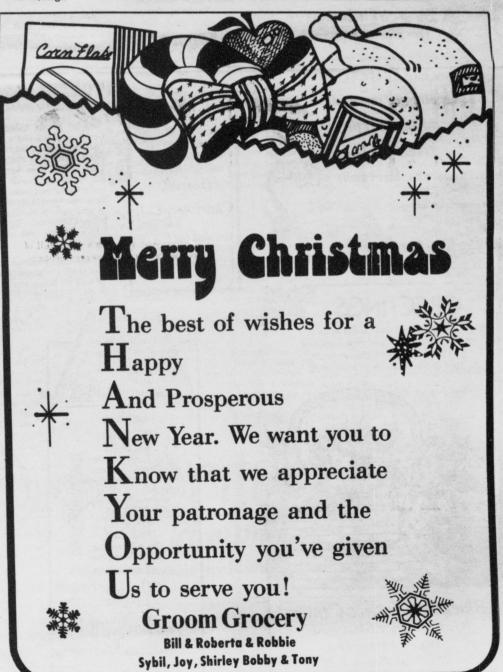




Keith & Kathleen Barkley







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Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,

I love you, Santa. I have been a good boy this year I want a race track a G.I. Joe set and a football game. Love, Jamie

Dear Santa.

I want a Lion voltran, a
G.I. Joe tomahawk, and a
radio control lecturbo
hopper. I have been a good

Love, Toby

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby Pound
puppy that is white, a
cabbage Patch baby, and a key board. I have been good. I am so excited about Christ-

Love, Kay Lynn

Dear Santa, I want all the Voltran

Dear Santa, How's Roudolph the Red Nose reindeer How's Comet and Vixen, Donder and Blitzen, Prancer and Dancer, Cupid and asher I would like a G.I. Joe

lions, a play 4 wheeler, and car race track. I love Santa. Love, Lee

Dear Santa.

Dear Santa,

I have been looking forward to Christmas I am glad that it is only 1 more been good I want a nurse doll Miss Piggy doll and bed, and a doll baby.

Love, Maggie

I have been a good girl. I want a Baby pound puppy, Popple and a guitar. Love, April

Dear Santa! I love you. I want a Disney worlk, a pound puppy dog catcher, and a 3 story doll house with a driveway

and dolls. Love Mary

Dear Santa,

··· A Blessed Christmas ···

May you and all you hold

dear be graced with

Love and Peace at this Holiday Time and

throughout the

New Year.

Robert Kuehler Family

I wish for a remote con-trol dumptruck, a table with

aircraft carrier and 3 jets. And a brand new brown football, a 2000 Omi Robot. Legos, and bull like Nana makes.

Have a merry Christmas Love, Marc

benches, and a toy chest. Lovs, Todd

Dear Santa

I want a 4x4 pickup. a real dog and. a new fishing pole. Love, Jeremy

Dear Santa

Dear Santa,
Thanks for all the toys you
gave me last year. I've
played with them a lot.
This year I want the
U.S.S. Flag and the
Conquest K 30.
Don't forget anybody.
Your friend, Brody

Dear Santa Claus,

I've wanted a fourwheeler for three years. Will you bring me one this year? Thank you Santa Claus for the things you have all ready

I have been pretty good

Please bring my mom a tv And please bring my dad a raido.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Volcano and I want a Firefly and I want a

Your friend, Adam

Dear Santa Claus, I have been a good kid. I want a game and a doll. Sincerely, Marie

Peace



May you share the joy of this Holiday Se son with the special ones you love!

Darrell, Charlotte, C.J. & Dara

Whatley

I will try to set out some ookies and milk this year. Your friend, Chris

Dear Santa

Last year I had a wonder-ful Christmas. Thankyou for everything I got. This year I want the autobot base named Metroplex, remote control airplane and model

Yours truly, Bryan

Dear, Santa Claus

I want you to bring me a radio controlled 4x4 puckup, and a pellet gun.

Thanks for the telescope

from last year.

Be sure and remem

Your friend, Collin

Dear Santa,

Don't forget the poor little kids in Africa who are starv-ing. They need a break in life. I want a casio, ten-

Greetings

Wishing you love, happi-ness, peace and joy through-out the Holiday Season. Merry Christmas to all.— The Burgins, Jimmy, Susan, The Burgins, Jimmy, Susan, Melinda, Krista and Courtney

Just a cheery little greet-ing to say, may your Yule-tide season be merry in every way.—Kent, Kellye & Kaci Reed

May your Christmas be blessed in a multitude of ways by Him who is worthy of all our praise.—John & Velma Hickox

To all of our friends in Groom we wish you a holy Christmas season and health and happiness in the New Year. It has been wonderful living here with you while Curtis was away. We have injurymerable memories. have innumerable memories to take with us to Virginia. Merry Christmas!—Dondra, Curtis, Denae and Collin

May the blessings and joys of the Christmas season be with my family and many friends. —Elizabeth Myers

Sights

ed, and a pair of water-

Love, Stacy

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,
My name is Melanie
Renee Friemel. Thank you
for what you brought me last
year. Please forgiv me for
the bad things I've done. I
want a necklace for Christmas and a newborn Pound
Puppy. Puppy.

Your friend, Melanie

Dear Santa,

This is what I would like: a corn silk hair cabbage patch doll, a stapler, a jogging suit, a new swimming suit, a new trapper keeper with a unicorn on it, and a trampoline.

Yours truly, Kristy

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the pre-sents you gave me last year. I wish this year you would give me a Lazer Tag game

Yours truly, Ty





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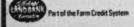
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Letters To Santa

Dear Santa.

Christmas is coming up this year and everyone you're coming. We are singing Christmas and buying presents. Children always make Christmas lists. For Christmas I want a skateboard, clothes, archery set and mini basketball. Don't forget the other children.

Your friend, Darcee

Dear Santa

Thanks for the things from last year. This year I want a pool table and a bike with mags.

Your friend, Shawn

Dear Santa Claus,

Today I have been wishing had a bike. But I don't now what color. And now I know what color. I would like ten-speed painted blue. We thank you so much for We thank you so much for taking your time and mak-ing our good toys so they work. Kids enjoy your good work on their toys. Please eat all the food becuase it is for you and your reindeer. Your friend, Melissa

I want a casio and a barbie with a car. I also want a baby talk doll. And I would like you to bring my mom a new picnic table for the summer. And bring my dad a new tool box and my brother a new

Dear Sainta,
Thanks for the toys you lost year. I like gave me last year. I like them and play with them a lot. This year I don't care what I get because I know you will get me just what I want.

Your friend,

Dear Santa

I want a horse for Christ-mas. A real horse. I want a horse that I can get on and off by myself.

off by myself.

If it is a boy horse I will name him Soldier. If it is a girl horse I will take care of it. I will feed and water it and clean out it's stall. And I will ride it too. And I will

P.S. If you can, make it gray. If you can't and it's not gray, just leave it.

Dear Santa-claus

I want computer, a pound puppy, a tenspeed, a my sister, a corncabbage corncabbage sister, a corncabba Patchakoosa and a kidtel shone mickey mouse and

Love, Amy

Dear Santa.

I would like a robe, an emerald ring and some gloves for Christmas. A dress coat would be nice, too. I also want some cassete tapes, some sunglasses, and other Cabbage Patch Kid. Love, Halee

Dear Santa Claus,

What I want for Christ-mas is a Jets football suit, and a pinpongball set and a football and last of all Dr. j

P.S. Have a Merry Christ-

Dear Santa, I would like to have a pink and gray ten speed. A hot pink sur skateboard. Anything in my stocking.

Love, Jill

Dear Santa

I would like a piano, new glass and a pair of boots thats all. Oh I need some

> P.S. Merry Christmas Amy

Dear Santa,

I want a B-B gun rifle and a pair of snow skies and a real OU football suit and a uggy for my horse. Love, Matt

thank you

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a radio control car then I want a muzzle-loader pistol. I have been a good

Your friend, Buck

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Dear Santa Claus, I want a Real Baby. I have been a good girl. I want a

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Letters to Santa from **McLean & Groom Students**

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a Turbo train and Mask and a football suit and a magic box and a soccer ball and Metroplex and a baby calf steer.

I want a Cobra raren and a casio. And a remote control dune bug tony. And I really, want, please I want the 2,000 robot. And I want a super Dupper Chemistery set. I also want a science profet book and a computer and a small color t.v.

Your friend, Scott

Dear Santa.

I've been very good this year. Would you bring me a computer and a conquest x-30. And a Cobra night raven. And a 1,000 peice of construx.

Love, Stanley

Dear Santa.

I have been waiting for Christmas. What I want is a football suit and I also would like a GI-JO battle ship. And I want Flame Thrower on GI-JO. I would really like a mini atari.

Thanks, Justin

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. Please send me a Cabbage Patch Prieme and a small Keyboard. Santa, I hope you have a nice trip.

Love, Sabrina

Dear Santa,

I would like the Cobra Night Raven, a 2,000 robot, a Chemistry Set, a few Cobra figures, a Trampo-line and a typewriter. Love, Terry

Dear Santa.

Hi. I have been very good this year. This year I would like a Cabbage Patch Astronaut and a Cornsilk Cabbage Patch Kid. I would also like a Wheel of Fortune Game.

Your friend, Trisha

Dear Santa.

I have been a good girl this year. I would like you to bring me a typewriter and a Astronaut Cabbage Patch. And I really want a casio.

Your friend, Christina

Dear Santa.

I have been a good girl this year. I would like a Casio and I would like a typewriter, too. I would like a Wheel of Fortune game, too. Have a safe trip.

Your Pal, Kay

Dear Santa.

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. Would you please give me a GI Joe Conquest X-30 and a Cobra night Raven, and a Serpentor and the Wheel of Fortune and the 2,000 robot and some clothes. I would also like some new tapes for my computer and a basketball goal. Love, Joe

Dear Santa.

I have really been good this year. I want a chemis-try set and a 2,000 robot, and can I have a computer? I would also like a remote control dune buggy, a Cobra Raven and the Conquest

By Michael

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been a very good boy this year. And this is what this year. I want the 2,000 robot with a remote control. I also want a fox control. I also want a fox race car with the remote control and a super-duper chemisty set with a science preject with a billion 1,000,000,000 pages. I also want a 22 rifle and a Casio and the Wheel of Fortune came and a twelve speed game and a twelve speed bike and a G.I. Joe Con-quest X-30 and a Cobra Raven and the best Raven and the computer in the world. Your Pal.

I like you. You are nice. Please bring me a new coat and don't forget my brothers.

Love,

Dear Santa Clause.

What I want for Christmas is a popple and a corn silk kid

Please bring my cou Sara a cabbage patch and a Barbie doll, She has been a good girl all week. I have been a good girl but my brother has been a brat.

Love, Lori

Dear Santa Claus,
Hi Santal What are you
doing? I have been really
good. I want a ten-speed a
remote control car, a
computer a disc math, a gun and a basketball.

> Thang you, Love, Brandon

Dear Santa.

I have been very good this year. Please may I have a girls workout set and a disc for my computer.

Love, Suzy P.S. Wake me up!!!

Dear Santa.

l have really been good this year. Would you bring me a bike, a hamster, a remote control Bigfoot, Ewoke, a pool table, swimming pool, a typewriter, a computer and coveralls. Thanks your Pal, Nathan

Dear Santa.

How are you? I'm fine.
This is what I want for
Christmas, some clothes, a
TV a typewrit, a Cornsik
Cabbage Patch, and an or-

Love, Sheri

Dear Santa.

What I want for Christ-mas. The thing I really, really, really, want is a really, really, want is a FOOTBALL Suit! And with pads and all that stuff. And I vant alot of close. And so

toys.
P.S. I will live you some

By, Tom

Dear Santa,

I like your presents you give me. I appreciate it very much.

I want a bicycle, a transformer, games of anykind. And that's all.

But Santa the kids that are in the war. Give them some-thing good, please. Because those kids may not have a good Christmas as we will.
So please give them some good toys.

P.S. I will give you some cookies at Christmas night.

Bart

Dear Chris Kringle

I won't a real 4-whe I don't have to ask my brothers to ride the ones we have now and so it will be my very own. And so it will have a key start and a

battery in it. I won't a real motorsycle so I can ride it to the north pole Santa and Santa Claus and see all my presents that I'm getting from him for Christ-

mas.

I won't a real computer for
Christmas so I can play
games n it and play a bunch
of things.

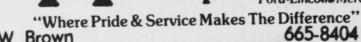
And I won't a real house

with a indoor tennis court and an indoor basketball court in it so I can be rich as

Dear Santa

I would like only a few things for Christmas. Here they are I would like new tapes for my atari. I would also like a sidewalk surfer and new glasses and new books to read. That's all I uld like.



















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Letters To Santa

This letter is from all the Little Rascals. We have been very good this year and would like to ask you to blease come see us on Christmas night. We will put some milk and cookies out for you and some carrots for

the reindeers. We love you.
The Little Rascals Brooke-Babytalk Michele-Cabbage Patch girl with tooth sticking out. Frances-talking doll Marci-trampoline, talking

Travis-tool box Missy-red toothbrush and

Dusty-truck loader, fire set

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a rabbit and sewing canvas Cabage Patch Kid, jumprope, good-luck bear, books, bookmark.

I have been good. I love

Love, Brenda

Dear Santa, I want a Turbo Train, a Turbo Hopper, and a Nintindo Arcade Game. Plus a skateboard, Honda Scooter and a computer.
Signed, Bo a stereo. And a

Dear, Santa Claus
I have been a good boy. I want an indoor golf game and a Dallas cowboy suit and helmet, and a wooden rein-

Dear Santa, Claus,

I have been a good boy. I hope you bring me lots of toys. I hope you bring me Metroplex. It's an Autobot. I would like a Turboy Train

Dear Santa Claus.

Please bring me a double Metroplex Autobot, 12
speed mens' bicycle, waterbed sheets, Turbo Train,
Omega Supreme and Trans
Former. I'll leave cookies and milk for you. I hope you have a fun travel. And have a Merry Christmas. Sincely, Jarret

Dear Santa

I want "Baby Talk" and a white watch. I've been a

What I want for Christwant I want for Christ-mas is a keyboard. And I want a cricket doll. And I want a baby talk. I want a purple calculator. And I also so want a my child carrier. And I want a

new sweater and pants.
And I also want a new coat. And I want some life saver. Do want to now what else! I want some new perfume and a new ring.

And I want a new ten speed.
P.S. I will leave some kilk
and cookies for you and a
carrot for your reindeers.
I love you vrey much,
Roni

I won't a real 4-wheeler and 5 moder dinousuar. And I would like a real foot-ball suit with real pads and

rubber tee so I could kick the football better.

I really won't a motor-sycle so I could go to school on it so I wouldn't have to leson to the radio. And what I realy won't is a Love, Robert

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Dallas Cowbow
sweater, an Octumus prime,
a Turbo Train, a Sergeant
Slaughter toy, a Dallas
Cowbow jogging suit, a
Slime pit, a He-Man a Battle
Ct, a drum set and a puppy.
Your friend, Brad

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a Dream Glow Barbie and a My Buddy Kid Sister and a Heart Family Bike. I have been a little ornery and

Sincerely, Courtney

I want a MegaSupreme and remotol control car and all the Autobots. Your friend, C.J.

Dear Santa Claus,

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a kiboosa, a birthstone ring, a necklace and
earmuffs, and some exercise weights, That is all I
want. I hope you have a
Merry Christmas.

Your friend, Intia

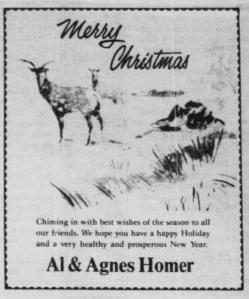
Your friend, Julie

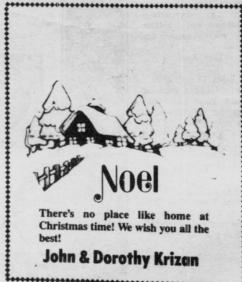
Dear Santa,

I won't a Chemistry set and a skate board.













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Mrs. Ethel Neal is pictured here with her daughter's doll collection. Mrs. Neal has restored each of the dolls as well as designing and sewing their gowns. The oldest of the dolls is at the far left, and is over 40 years old. Most of the dolls were orginally gifts to the Neal's

Warning Signs

his assets, has nothing left. If earnings fall below 6 per-cent or asset values decline, but interest rates stay at 12

but interest rates stay at 12 percent, the owner's equity declines to the point he is unable to finance the business." they warn.

Hayenga and Klinefelter suggest that producers look at their last three years' net worth statements. Without a major increase in business size, if short-term loans and accounts payable consistently increase, sooner or later ly increase, sooner or later farmers will not be able to keep the loans and accounts current without increasing income, or refinancing land or long-term assets. When or long-term assets. When this happens, short-term debt will not be renewed and suppliers will demand cash before delivery, the economists caution

Greetings

It is wonderful indeed to be wishing for you a wonder-ful Christmas and a glad New Year.—Lanna, David, Amy and Brody Brown

May those you love sur-round you. To share your Christmas day. May the blessings of the season come in your life to stay.—Sylvia

We wish you an old-fashioned holiday filled with love and laughter and all the special delights of the sea-son.—Kelvin, Debbie, Stephanie, Chris and Lance Ollinger

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agement we are most grate-ful. God bless,

d. God bless, The Wish Britten Family

We would like to thank the people of the Groom and Grandview Communities who were so nice to us. Those who sent food, cards, flowers and were there with tweeds of symmethy during

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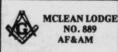
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Public Hearing

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A public hearing will be held at Groom City Hall, December 22, 1986 at 7:30 p.m. to consider request to change zoning map from "A" district to "C" district for Ziegler Addition No. 2.
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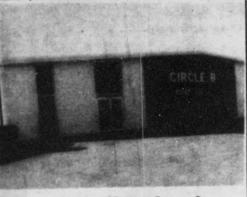
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