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Explosion Rips Gin On Thursday

Miss Precure Plays At FB Convention

Three Men Suffer Slight Injuries

Cassie Precure, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Precure of Muleshoe represented District II of the Texas Farm Bureau in the Talent Find competition held in conjunction with the Texas Farm Bureau State Convention in Dallas Sunday, December 1st.

Miss Precure, 19, presented a piano selection for her

talent. She is a graduate of Muleshoe High School and is a sophomore at Howard Payne College in Brownwood.

A young female ventriloquist, Mrs. Carole Ann (Williams) Allen, 18, of Palestine and her dummy, Danny O'Day, won over a field of ten contestants from that many Texas Farm Bureau districts.

Runner-up in the contest was Jim Hahn, a sophomore at Victoria College. Young Hahn sang a medley of folk songs - one of which he wrote - accompanied on Page 3, col. 5

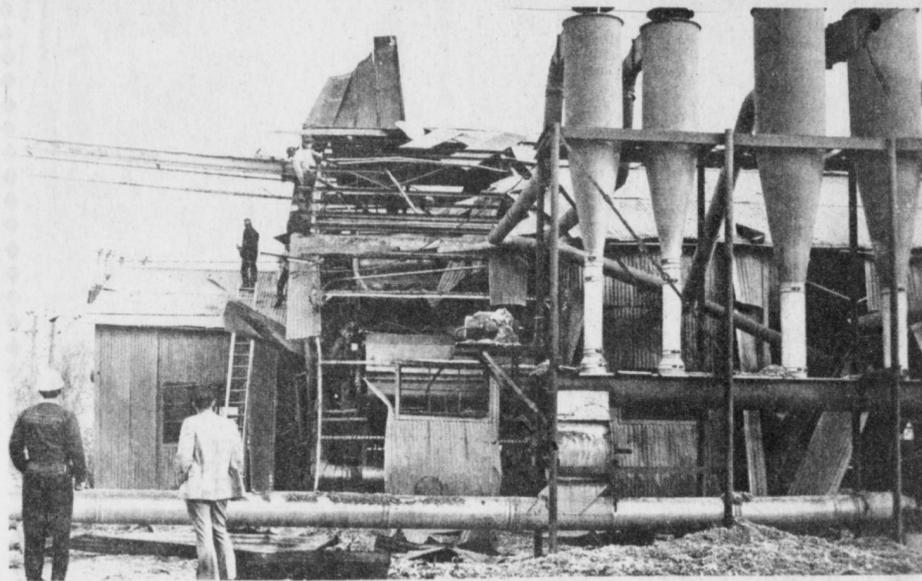
An explosion ripped through the Paymaster Gin Muleshoe Thursday afternoon, injuring three men working in the gin. The explosion could be heard all over town about 2:40 p.m. Thursday. The Bailey County Volunteer Fire Department answered a call to the gin immediately following the explosion. Firemen searched through the demolished tin building looking for a threat of fire, but no fire was ever found.

The tin structure was heavily damaged as tin was torn from the sides and the roof and all glass windows blown out.

Gin Manager Eddie Ramey reported that investigators were still looking into the cause of the explosion at presstime. There was no estimate available on the amount of damages late Friday.

The three men injured during the blast were Alex Alvarado, Servando Cavazos and Jessie Cassanova. All were treated for minor injuries, the most serious being a broken ankle, according to the gin manager.

The gin is located about one block north of the railroad tracks on North First Street in Muleshoe.



EXPLOSION RIPS GIN. . . The Paymaster Gin located just a block from the railroad tracks on North First Street in Muleshoe was ripped by an explosion Thursday afternoon around 2:40 p.m. Gin manager Eddie Ramey stated that three persons were injured, none seriously. Those injured were Alex Alvar-

ado, Servando Cavazos and Jessie Cassanova. Ramey stated that an investigation is still continuing into the cause of the explosion and that no estimate has been made on the damage. Although the Muleshoe Fire Department was called out, no fire followed the explosion in the gin.

City Manager Submits Resignation

Jim Rankin, Muleshoe City Manager for the past year and a half, has announced his resignation.

Rankin will be assuming a new position with Lone Star Gas Company in Dallas.

His last day in office in Muleshoe will be January 15, 1975.

In his letter of resignation, Rankin stated that the decision to leave Muleshoe for employment in private industry has not been an easy decision to

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College Will Offer Evening Classes Here

The Division of Continuing Education at South Plains College.

Enrollment for classes at the Muleshoe Community College Center will be at 7 a.m. Tuesday, January 7, in the Muleshoe High School cafeteria. Classes will begin January 16. Courses will be offered in ac-

counting, sociology, art, English and history.

All credit courses will be held in the Muleshoe High School. A minimum of 12 persons is required for a course.

Persons must be a high school graduate or possess the GED certificate. Persons without the GED may apply for

probationary enrollment to the Dean of Continuing Education at South Plains College.

Students must complete an application for admission; must have an official transcript from high school or colleges attended; and must file an immunization certificate as required

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around muleshoe with the journal staff

ASCS Announces Election Results

Three members of the South Plains Concert Band have been selected to play in the All State Junior College Honors Band. They are Sharon Wrinkle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy N. Wrinkle of 322 Ave. J in Muleshoe; Richard Sears of Wolforth; and Glenda Reeve, of Friona. All are freshmen students.

The honors band will perform on February 20 for the Texas Junior College Teachers Association convention at the Shamrock Hotel in Houston. The band will be under the direction of Dr. Gary Garner, director of the West Texas State University Symphonic Band.

Miss Wrinkle, first chair clarinetist, and Sears, first chair oboist in the SPC Concert Band, are both members of the College's woodwind ensemble. Miss Reeve, first chair tenor saxophone, has performed in the SPC Lab Band.

Names of the Texas delegates to the National Cotton Council's

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The ASCS Community Committee ballots were tabulated December 5, 1974 and the results were announced this week. The following producers were selected to serve for the 1975 program year:

"A" Community: Arvis Grogan, chairman; R. L. Scott, Vice-Chairman; Don Seales, Regular member; Leldon Phillips, first alternate; and Robert Hunt, second alternate.

"B" Community: Carl Polard, chairman; W.T. Simpson, vice-Chairman; Archie (Joe) Sowder, regular member; Frank L. Stegall II, first alternate; and Herbert (Micky) Sowder, second alternate.

"C" Community: Edward Crume, chairman; L.H. Medlin, Jr., vice-chairman; Ivan L. Clawson, regular member; Jimmy Canon, first alternate and J.E. Layton, second alternate.

The Chairman, vice chairman, and regular member of each community met on Dec-

ember 11 to elect a member of the County Committee met on December 11 to elect a member of the County Committee to serve three years. Marvin Drake was re-elected. The County Committee for Bailey County for 1975 will be T. D. David, chairman; Aubrey Heathington, vice chairman; and Marvin Drake, regular member.

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According to the ASCS office, each farm operator has been mailed a card, Form ASCS-503 for reporting 1974 cotton production. Take the card to the ginner and have him show the number of bales and the net warehouse weight. Both the farmer and the ginner must sign the card. Return the card to the ASCS office.

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Many Motorists Are Exceeding 55 m.p.h.

The reduction of the speed limit due to the energy crisis has definitely affected the number of traffic fatalities in Texas, but many drivers are starting to disregard the limit and

drive at greater speeds.

Jim Arnold, Administrator of the Governor's Office of Traffic Safety, issued a plea for the motorist to cooperate and observe the 55 mph limit on a voluntary basis. He also announced plans for a statewide study to determine the effect of the lowered speed limit in relation to fatal accidents.

Said Arnold, "When the energy shortage hit and the limit was set at 55 by state and federal law, most motorists complied and kept their speed down and limited their travel. Now that gasoline is more readily available and travel more frequent, we are finding the driver is starting to allow his vehicle to surpass the regulated speed limits. While this is certainly not all drivers, it does appear we have a huge increase of speeders on our highways."

He continued by pointing out the increase in traffic citations that have been issued in recent weeks. "State troopers are finding the motorist is traveling at increased speeds without regard to law, and some

Police Report

Arrests logged recently in the Bailey County Law Enforcement Center include the Police Department arresting six for being drunk; the Highway Patrol arresting one for DWI; and the Sheriff's Office arresting one for drunk, one for car theft and one for theft.

are creeping toward the 70 miles-per-hour mark. Department of Public Safety statistics show a total of 78,295 arrests were made for speeding during the three summer months of 1973. Comparatively, there were 188,976 arrests during June, July and August of 1974.

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Services Held Friday For Harold Sneed

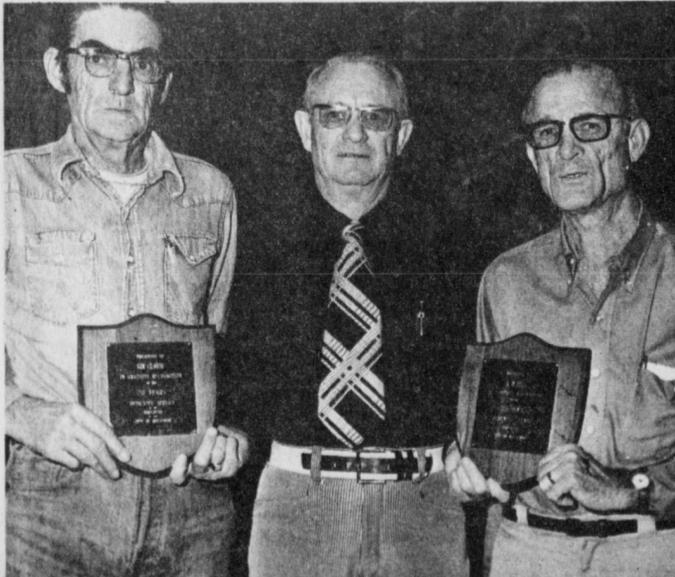
Harold Sneed, 67, died at his home Wednesday morning, December 18, at 5:30 a.m.

He had been a Bailey County resident since 1929, moving here from Hereford. He was born September 11, 1907 in Stonewall, Okla. and was a retired machinist and blacksmith. On July 14, 1928, he married Rose Thomas in Littlefield. Sneed was a veteran of World War II serving in the US Army.

Funeral services were conducted at 2:30 p.m. Friday in the First Assembly of God Church with Rev. H. D. Hunter, pastor, officiating assisted by Rev. R. V. Luna of the First Assembly of God Church in Garland, Texas.

Burial was in the Muleshoe Cemetery under the direction of Singleton-Ellis Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Francis

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RECEIVE SERVICE AWARDS. . . Two city of Muleshoe employees received plaques this week for service to the city. Sam Clark, left, received a plaque for 20 years of service, and L.M. Bell, right, received a plaque for 25 years of service. The awards were presented by Mayor Alex Williams, center.



THE JOYS OF CHRISTMAS. . . The eyes of a child reflect all the wonder and joy of Christmas. Little Miss Sharssia Swain reacts to her first Christmas present with joy. Sheer delight is reflected in her face as she rips into her first Christmas present on Christmas Day. The same joy will be reflected in hundreds of children's faces all over Muleshoe on that day.

BIBLE VERSE

"This is the confidence that we have in him: that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us."

1. Of whom is the writer speaking?
2. Who is the author of the

3. above statement?
3. By what term was he known?
4. Where may this statement be found?

Answers to Bible Verse

1. Of Jesus Christ.
2. John the Apostle.
3. The "disciple whom

Jesus loved."
4. I John 5:14.

INDIA'S SMALLPOX
NEW DELHI, INDIA-- A virulent smallpox epidemic, described as India's worst of the century, has killed an estimated 30,000 persons this year, the World Health Organization reports.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

...to all our friends and patrons. May the happiness of the season follow you into the new year...we hope we will have the pleasure to serve you again soon.



'Christkindli' of Switzerland Reappears at Holy Season

Christmas has a unique significance in the German and French speaking regions of Switzerland because the "Christkindli," or Christ Child, is believed to walk on earth during this season. Instead of Santa Claus, the "Christkindli" represented as a beautiful, radiant, angel-like being with wings carrying a magic wand and wearing a shining crown, distributes Christmas gifts and Christmas trees glittering with fanciful decorations. Although the "Christkindli" is commonly believed to personify the Christ-Child, he is sometimes represented as an angel bearing a light or a star just as an angel heralded the birth of Christ at Bethlehem. On the other

hand, the "Christkindli" has some of the characteristics of a sprite, as suggested by the wand and the wings, which can be linked to pre-Christian beliefs. Some suggest he may stem from the pagan custom of representing the New Year as a radiant and beautiful child.

Like Santa, the "Christkindli" also arrives in a sleigh drawn by reindeer, so there would appear to be some intermingling of Christmas legends here.

St. Nicholas is represented in several ways in different parts of Switzerland. In some, he is called Father Christmas and comes with his wife, Lucy (representing St. Lucy whose feast day is December 13) to distribute gifts. He wears the traditional Santa Claus costume, while Lucy wears a round cap over her long braids, a laced bodice and a fancy apron.

In the central part of Switzerland, St. Nicholas is represented more realistically in his bishop's regalia complete with mitre and crosier. On St. Nicholas' Day, which falls on December 6th, there is a magnificent parade in which white bearded masqueraders, dressed in long white shirts, carry huge three-foot mitre-shaped lanterns over their heads. These lanterns are perforated in intricate religious designs, similar to church windows, and when the candlelight shines through them, as their bearers execute a stately dance, they are an impressive sight indeed.

In the village of Urnaesch in the Canton of Appenzell, the men and boys go "Santa Clausing." Some wear red Santa Claus costumes with jingling bells while others,

dressed and masked as "ladies," wear enormous, elaborate picture hats decorated with panoramas of Alpine scenes. Starting early in the day on New Year's Eve, the group proceeds through the village with an unusual hopscootch gait, stopping at each farm to share their merriment and partake of refreshments. When darkness falls, they all head for the Valley to pursue their New Year revelry.

ASS ESSENTIAL TO EVERY DOMAIN
Although the ass, such as the one ridden by Mary, is sometimes described as a lovely beast, fit for those of humble station, there is considerable evidence that the docile and useful ass was ridden by many rich and prestigious people as well as the poor. The Bible often mentions the ass as a common part of many households.

Abundant Supply
Talk is cheap because the supply is greater than the demand.
-Courier, Ottumwa, Ia.

Definition
Nonchalance: The ability to look like an owl when you've acted like a jackass.
-Argosy, Nickerson, Kan.



'Tis the season to be jolly! Here's hoping your holidays are filled with only the very best!

Deep Rock Station



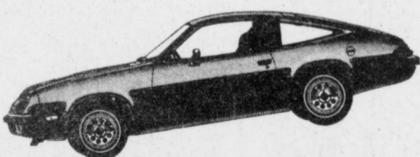
A Joyous Christmas

May the spiritual peace of this Christmas enter into your lives. It's a time of joy... a time to wish everyone the happiness and contentment of that Holy night long ago. Thanks.

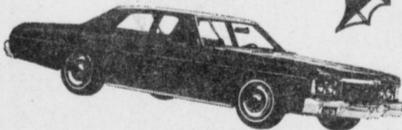
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RECIPE

By Sarah Anne Sheridan

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Cranberry Salad

- 1 can (20 oz.) crushed pineapple
- 1 lb. fresh cranberries
- 1 1/2 c sugar
- 2 envelopes unflavored gelatin
- 1 c chopped pecans
- Lettuce

Drain juice from pineapple and add enough water to make 1 cup liquid. Combine juice, cranberries and sugar in saucepan; cover and cook until berries pop (about 10 minutes). Add gelatin to hot cranberries and stir until dissolved. Cool, add drained pineapple and nuts. Refrigerate. Serve on lettuce leaf. This salad can be made a day ahead of serving.

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Drivers...

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Conviction for the violations also reflected an increase," said Arnold.
Another contributing factor that may increase the chances of traffic crashes, injuries and fatalities, is the "variances of speed ranges." "For example," said Arnold, "a motorist is on the highway at 50 miles per hour and he is passed by a driver traveling 70 or more. This variance in the range greatly increases the opportunity for an accident."
Arnold said as the speed is violated to excess, the fatality figures may increase; there-

Manager...

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reach. I consider the experiences I have had in Muleshoe to have been valuable to me in terms of personal growth and development and hope that I have done my job well. The relationship with the City Council and the employees, as well as the residents of Muleshoe, has been a good one. I feel a deep regret in leaving Muleshoe; however, the opportunities facing me in my new position cannot be overlooked."

fore, he has called for a statewide study to determine the relationship of traffic accidents to the speed limit reduction in Texas.

The National Safety Council recently completed a study to evaluate the reduced limit in relationship to nationwide fatal traffic accidents. The study indicates reduced speeds played an important role in reducing the number of motor vehicle fatalities in the first four months of 1974 as compared to the same period of 1973. While the 55 mph limit did not force drivers to reduce their speeds on roads with already lower limits than 55 mph, the Safety Council feels the 55 mph limit was an important influence in convincing the driver to reduce overall speeds. Therefore, removal of the limit or increasing the limit, could encourage the motorist to increase his driving speeds at varied levels, resulting in an increase in traffic fatalities.

The Council's investigation revealed a number of factors contributed to the traffic fatality reduction, but the lowered speed limit was apparently the largest contributing factor. According to the Council's statistics, 11 percent of the fatality reduction was due to the lower speed. Other contributing factors were: five percent reduction due to less travel, three percent reduction due to less vehicle occupancy, three percent reduction due to less night driving, one percent reduction due to greater use of safety belts, one percent reduction due to switch in roads, two percent reduction due to unexplained reasons, and a one percent increase due to age,

small cars, motorcycles and pedicycles. The total national reduction figures at 24 percent. It is obvious that speed is not the only factor in reducing traffic fatalities, but is the largest contributing factor. Arnold said, "The Texas study would help us to better

Muleshoe...

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37th annual meeting were announced this week by State Unit vice-chairman, Don Anderson, local cotton producer.
The 39-member delegation will join representatives from other major cotton-producing states in setting guidelines for 1975 Council programs and policies at the February 3-4 meeting in Phoenix.
Included in the Texas Delegates will be Guy Nickles of Muleshoe.

Mrs. Corly Taylor had guests Wednesday night. Those who were there were two sisters, Mrs. Lorado Servatius of Pleasant Hill, N.M.; Mrs. Lucille Hargrove of Anton; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bub Hand of Pleasant Hill, N.M.; Mr. and Mrs. Pat Patterson and Wayne of Muleshoe.

evaluate the direct relationship in the state as compared to national statistics. Just because the national picture shows the speed reduction as a major factor in reducing fatalities, this does not mean the situation is necessarily the same in Texas."

ASCS...

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The ASCS has given farmers some provisions of the 1974 cotton and feed grain programs in every newsletter prepared and it is agreed that some provisions are hard to understand. Some have not followed the advice, or checked with the office before destroying the crop or residue, therefore, they will not receive any or a full disaster payment.
As soon as harvest is finished, and not more than 15 days after finishing harvesting, farmers must file Form ASCS 574 showing you have had a loss. If farmers spot harvest, they must file a Form ASCS 574 with the ASCS office and have the crop you did not harvest inspected before destroying it. Failure to do this will make the acreage ineligible for payment.
All gins in Bailey County have signed the agreement that they will use specification bagging and ties for 1974. The ASCS will prepare cotton loans in this office upon request. The loans mature 10 months from the first day of the month in which the loan is disbursed. Interest rate for loans is 9.375 percent.
If anyone has sold any wool or unshorn lambs in 1974, they must apply for the incentive payment by January 31, 1975.
Wheat yields are in the process of being completed for 1975. If anyone wished to prove wheat yields up, submit five years production to the ASCS office by January 6, 1975.

Other contributing factors in the reduction of accidents include increased law enforcement, better road design, more and better driver education and increased public awareness of the driving rules," said Arnold. "However, we have obvious evidence of abuse of the 55 mile-per-hour limit and it is time to ask our citizens to volunteer toward observing the 'law and limit'," concluded Arnold.

Precure...

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panying himself on the guitar. Those attending the State Convention from Bailey County were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Precure, Phil Garrett, Clarence R. Mason and Lester Howard.

Sneed...

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Gilbreath, Joe Rhodes, J. W. Maritt, Daryl Sprayberry, Mack Reed, and Bobby Burris. Honorary pallbearers were Les Smith, Joe Ferris, Gil Lamb, Pete Robinson, T. R. White, Bill Lambert, Pat Childress, Clarence Jones, A.V. Wood, and Charles Lenua.
Survivors include his wife Rosa; one son, Robbie of the home; one sister, Mrs. Grace Sawyer of Exeter, California; five brothers, D.H. Sneed of Seagraves, Carl Sneed of Bullhead, Arizona, William Owenby of Lubbock, David Owenby of El Paso and R.D. Owenby of Arlington, Texas.

Do your duty, and leave the rest to the gods.
-Pierre Corneille.

Courses...

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by state law. All of the above three steps can be accomplished during registration as forms will be furnished.
For further information, students may contact Tom Jinks, Muleshoe Independent School District, Muleshoe, Phone 272-3911; or South Plains College, Division of Continuing Educat-

ion, Levelland, Phone 894-4921, Ext. 253.
The cost for the semester hours will be \$58.00; for six semester hours, \$61.00; or for nine semester hours, \$75.00.

An act of duty is law in practice.
-Benjamin Whichcote.
We ought to use the best means we can to be well informed of our duty.
-Thomas Reed.

SATELLITE LAUNCHED
HANDENBERG AIR FORCE BASE, CALIF.-The Air Force has launched the Iowa-built Hawkeye satellite. It is designed to sweep through a highly eccentric orbit and study the interaction of the solar wind and the earth's magnetic field, particularly above the North Pole.



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MISS RENAY JAMES

Renay James Honored At Shower

Miss Renay James, bride-elect of Paul Bell was honored at a shower Saturday, December 14 in the home of Mrs. Joe Pat Wagon.

The Legend of Christmas Tinsel

According to an old legend, a poor peasant woman, with many children, decorated a Christmas tree with such humble trimmings as she was able to gather, mostly berries and nuts and such odds and ends as she had managed to save up during the year. She labored far into the night trying to make her tree as beautiful as she could.

While she was asleep, spiders came and crawled from branch to branch trailing their lacy webs behind them. To reward the woman for her devotion, the Christ Child blessed the tree and all the spider webs were turned into gleaming silver.

Special guests were the honoree's mother, Mrs. J.B. James, sister of the honoree, Miss Vickie Head, niece of the honoree, Mrs. Linda James and Jennifer James.

The table was covered with a Christmas cloth bordered with white felt and red tassels. Designs of Christmas bells, holly wreath which was made of sequins. The centerpiece was a tall white candelabra fashioned with holly and red carnations. Christmas napkins completed the holiday theme.

Hostess gift was a light blue bedspread and blanket.

Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. Frank Parker, Mrs. Marshall Head, Dr. B.O. McDaniel, Mrs. Walter Sebring, Suzie Whatley, Mrs. S.E. Goucher, Mrs. Bobby McGee, Mrs. Joe Costen, Mrs. T.R. White, Mrs. Joe Pat Wagon and Mrs. Walter Bartholf, Sr.

Teenage Shoplifters Cost Millions

COLLEGE STATION--During the holiday season, merchandise worth millions of dollars will be stolen from Texas businesses by teenage shoplifters, one family life education specialist pointed out this week.

"The majority of teenagers will never shoplift--but about one in twenty teens will," Ilene Carrington, with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System said.

She pointed out that teens who do shoplift don't usually steal because of actual need.

"They steal for kicks, to win peer acceptance get attention, or to support a drug habit. Others shoplift because of compulsion, psychological problems or for revenge against the establishment."

Figures show the majority of teenage shoplifters are females from middle and upper income families, she reported.

"Most teens don't consider shoplifting a serious offense. They don't realize they will probably be punished if they are caught. Young people 17 or older can be arrested, prosecuted

and can have permanent record for their theft. That kind of record could make it difficult to find a good job or get into college, she reminded.

Even if a young person does not shoplift himself, he may be tempted to accept or buy gifts from teens who do shoplift. But if caught with property he knows is stolen, a teenager may be prosecuted.

Youths under 17 caught shoplifting would be subject to the juvenile court processes, Miss Carrington said.

"Shoplifting is a problem in many Texas communities. Admitting that the community has a problem is the first step to changing the situation."

"Any young person may shoplift. Whether or not they do depends on their attitudes, the values they hold, what their peers are doing and how well they understand how serious the consequences of shoplifting can be for them," she said.

TRIMMING TREE
Tradition of decorating a community Christmas tree began in the early 1900's and is a favorite custom today.



MRS. TOMMY WOLFE

Mrs. Wolfe Honored At Shower

A bridal shower honoring Mrs. Tommy Wolfe, the former Debra Wideman was held Saturday, December 14 in the First National Bank from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

The table decorations was a red velvet tablecloth trimmed with candy striped bows at the

miniature Christmas tree with red birds, bows, and lights. Mrs. Johnnie Estep and Mrs. Tom Gibbins served the guests.

The hostess gift was a set of yellow teflon cookware.

The hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. Johnnie Estep, Mrs. Justin Long, Mrs. Tom Gibbins and Mrs. Vivian Davis.

HANGING MISTLETOE

Hanging mistletoe in the home is a tradition which originated with Druid priests. These ancients believed the plant was a sign of peace and hope.

West Plains Hospital Hospital Briefs

ADMITTANCE:

December 17: A.C. Shaw, A. R. Haley, Acension Garcia, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Martin.

December 18: Mrs. Ada Harbin and Mrs. Ambrosia Rojas.

December 19: Mrs. LeRoy Fisher.

December 17: Mrs. Felipe Mironmontes and Mrs. Zane Ellison and son.

December 18: Sabos Martinez.

December 19: Mrs. Maurilio Ramirez, A.R. Haley, Mrs. John Martin, Bill Jim St. Clair, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Martin.

TRANSFERRED:
December 19: Vance Wagon transferred to Lubbock.

TOPS Have Christmas Social

TOPS Chapter Number 34 met Thursday, December 19, at 6 p.m. in the meeting room of Bailey County Electric with 23 members weighing in.

Mrs. J.O. Parker conducted the meeting in the absence of their leader. Roll call was called and minutes were read. The members bought a new scale and it was there at the meeting.

Mrs. Kenneth Martin was named weekly queen. First runner-up was Mrs. Bobby Newman and second runner-up was Mrs. J.M. Hefner.

The members left their meeting place and went to Mrs. Bobby Newman's home for the Christmas social. Gifts were exchanged and secret pals revealed.

Some of the members read Christmas legends and each told of their most memorable Christmas. The social was ended by the singing of Christmas Carols.

Secret Pals Revealed At Hobby Club Party

Muleshoe Hobby Club met at the Muleshoe State Bank Community Room for their Christmas Party. Thursday, December 19. Hostess gift was drawn by Mrs. Ethel Julian.

The table decorations was a Christmas tree covered with small ornaments. On the other table were packages piled high.

They exchanged gifts and secret pals were revealed. After a short business session the meeting was turned over to Mrs. Henry Bass for the program.

The program was the legends of Christmas and what it meant to the members. Mrs. Ola Pech gave the "Wise Men" story.

Mrs. Levina Pitts gave the reading of "The Star" by Dr. M. Graham Clark, Mrs. Dement told the story of trees and how our Christmas trees originated in Texas. Mrs. Mabel Caldwell gave the story of candles. Mrs. Charlie Phipps gave the origin of "Santa Claus". Mrs. Marvin Oswalt gave the story of "The Carolers" in other countries and Mrs. Levina Pitts gave a story of a Christmas by some of the pioneer people and the Indians.

Meeting was adjourned by a prayer by Mrs. Henry Bass. The next regular meeting will be held January 2, 1975.

Members present were Mrs. Pech, Mrs. George Chambless, Mrs. Louis Henderson, Mrs. Levina Pitts, Mrs. Mabel Caldwell, Mrs. Charlie Phipps, Mrs. Bernice Amerson, Mrs. Dement, Mrs. Boyd Landers, Mrs. H.C. Gillis, Mrs. Ethel Julian, Mrs. H.H. Carlyle, Mrs. C. E. Briscoe, Mrs. Marvin Oswalt, Mrs. Carrie Boydston, Mrs. H.H. Williams, Mrs. Barbara Burton, Mrs. Lester Elmore, Mrs. Riehl Williams, Mrs. John St. Clair, Mrs. Bub Shafer, Mrs. Alvin Barber and Mrs. Henry Bass.

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☆ A churchman, John Pierpont, composed the gay Christmas song, "Jingle Bells," which has been popular for over a century.

Martin of Littlefield and Mrs. Timmons are with her often.

Mrs. Edwards of Littlefield came Friday to visit Mrs. Emmanuel, her sister-in-law.

Mrs. Vivian White comes often to see her mother, Mrs. Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Lewis came to see his mother, Mrs. Lewis and Dr. McDaniels comes to see his wife.

Two of Mrs. Brown's daughters, Mrs. Davis of Amarillo and Mrs. Dylbil of Clovis were here Tuesday to be with their mother.

Mrs. Jackson visited awhile with Mrs. Lewis on Tuesday.

Mrs. Veach came and visited awhile with Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Guinn.

Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Guinn went to the Senior Citizens meeting at the Methodist Church Monday afternoon with Mrs. Ellen Spence, and to an SS Class luncheon on Saturday at noon in the home of Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Kersey came for us and we certainly enjoyed the day. Thanks to both of these friends, a Merry Christmas to them.

Mrs. Lavada Lassiter of Whiteface came Tuesday and spent the day with her mother, Mrs. Newton.

Mrs. Perry is still about the same and her daughter, Mrs.

Our thanks to the FHA Rose Chapter for the Christmas greeting cards they taped to each of our doors. We too wish them a happy Christmas and a joyous New Year.

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24
7:30 p.m.: Reekahs Oddfellows Lodge Hall,
7:30 p.m.: OES, Masonic Hall

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 25
9:00 till 12:00: Christmas Dance,
9:00 till 12:30: New Years Dance.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27

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Story Hour Held Wednesday



STORY HOUR FOR CHILDREN . . . Pictured above are the children at the Story Hour which was held Wednesday, December 18 at the Muleshoe Public Library.

The Muleshoe Young Homemakers held the Story Hour, Wednesday, December 18 at the Muleshoe Public Library from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Mrs. Randol Copley and Mrs. Wayne Copley hosted the story hour. They showed a film, "The Little Train That Could" and a story about Santa Claus was told. There were games played and refreshments were served to the children.

The children wrote Santa letters and are written below:

Dear Santa:
Kristy doll that you can fix her hair and it can grow.
Lisa.

Dear Santa:
Cradle doll and anything.
Deann.

Dear Santa:
a train and a t.v., trampoline, a little car, and airplane.
Todd.

Dear Santa:
baby she can feed with bottle and baby food with cereal like her mama.
Jaimie

Dear Santa:
socks, a baby carriage, a new pair of shoes, one baby bed
Tonya

Dear Santa:
a train.
Chris.

Dear Santa:
a doll
Shawna

Dear Santa:
toys
Darrell.

Dear Santa:
a mark spinning bike, gloves, racing track air plane.
Scotty.

Dear Santa:
barbie's town house, doll, barbie, doll with a bed.
Brandy

Dear Santa:
baby doll, purse.
Robin.

Dear Santa:
baby doll with bottle
Jaimie

Dear Santa:
a race car
Chuck

Dear Santa:
Evil Knevel
Barry

Dear Santa:
baby alive
Ellie

Dear Santa:
doll will powder and a bottle.
Lainie.

Dear Santa:
Dump truck
Troy Don

Dear Santa:
truck
Sergio.

Beta Sigma Phi Has Christmas Social

The Annual Christmas social for Alpha Zeta Pi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi was held Tuesday, December 17 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Miller.

Members and husbands were treated to punch and dips followed by a meal of spaghetti, tossed salad and French bread. Gifts were exchanged by secret pals and husbands drew numbers to receive a gag gift.

Members and husbands attending the social were Mr. and Mrs. Ted Barnhill, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Black, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Box, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Collis, Mr. and Mrs. Reagan Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Finney, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Noble, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Kearney

Scoggin, Mr. and Mrs. Garry Shipman, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Wenmohs, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cardinal, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Chitwood, Mr. and Mrs. Skip Magby, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Merritt, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wilbands, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Miller.

YL 4-H Has Meeting

The Y-L 4-H Club was held Monday, December 9.

The members had a short business meeting and elected a new Vice President, Monty Vaadiver. Spencer Tankley showed two films on sewing and building a record book.

The meeting was adjourned and refreshments were served.



CHRISTMAS AND BIRTHDAY PARTY. Mattie Duke and Lottie Hall were honored at a Birthday and Christmas Party, Tuesday, December 17 at the Nursing Home. The Ester Dorcus Circle of the First United Methodist Church hosted the affair.

Progressive Home's Club Has Meeting

The Progressive Home's Club met with Mrs. Wenona Gibson for their monthly meeting and Christmas Party.

Roll call was called and answered by all members and then the treasurer gave her report. They elected new officers and are as follows: President, Wenona Gibson; Vice-President, Mrs. R.L. Rubenak; treasurer, Vera Engleking and secretary, Mrs. C.D. Hoover. Dues were paid.

The hostess gift was drawn by Lucille Harper. Secret pals were revealed and packages exchanged. Club was then adjourned and refreshments were served.

Bags were filled with fruit, candy and nuts for Boys Ranch at Pettit. Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. Harper, Mrs. Norwood will deliver the bags to the Ranch.

Next meeting will be held with Mrs. Ray Black as hostess on January 22.

Friendship Club Has Christmas Party

Realism Reflected at Christ's Birthplace

In the Middle East, where Christ lived, Christmas has a touch of realism. The patriarch comes from Jerusalem with a troop of cavalry in gorgeous array. The service lasts from 10 p.m. until long after midnight.

After the reading of the gospel the clergy and congregation leave the church and journey to the Grotto of the Nativity.

The Friendship Club had their Annual Red Dress Christmas Dinner Party, Tuesday night, December 17 at the Corral Restaurant.

The tables were decorated with green holly and red candles. Ray Griffiths gave the invocation, then a turkey with all the trimmings were served to the members. Mrs. George Johnson gave the program which was the "Meaning of Christmas". After gifts were exchanged Christmas carols were sung. The next meeting will be held

Thursday, January 2. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Griffiths, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Young, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Shafer, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Swafford, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Childers, Mr. and Mrs. Blonde Ray, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Maltus, Mr. and Mrs. C.

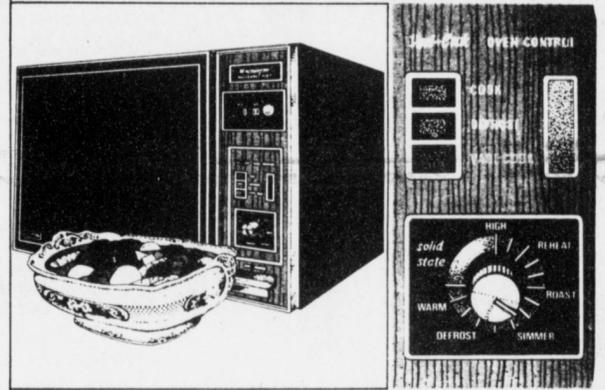
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Griffiths, Mrs. Gladys Darsey, Mrs. Mary Young, Mrs. Ed Johnson, Mrs. Viole Lane and guests were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Costen and Mr. and Mrs. H.P. Hukill.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY. . . Pictured above are Jack Baker and Nettie Blackman. They were honored at a Birthday Party hosted by the Esther Dorcus Circle of the First United Methodist Church which was held Tuesday, December 17 at the Nursing Home.

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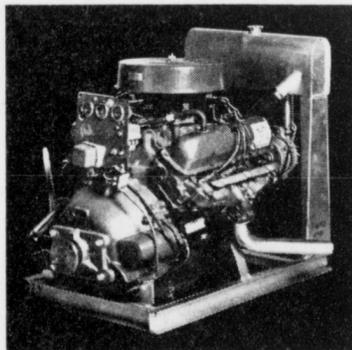
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Teacher Shares Rules

This is a reprint of one of the articles in Ann Landers found in the Lubbock Avalanche Journal, Wednesday morning, December 18, 1974, and we would like to share it with the readers of the "Mulestale."

Dear Ann Landers: As a teacher, I would like to pass along a set of rules for parents. If followed they are guaranteed to produce a spoiled brat who will later develop into a thoroughly messed-up adult.

1. If your child has trouble with a teacher, don't go to the school and talk to the teacher. Run directly to the principal, to the superintendent of schools,

or to the head of the board of education. It's always best to go straight to "the top".

2. Whenever your child complains about how mean or unfair a teacher is and describes some incident of cruelty or

injustice, accept every word as the gospel truth. You know your child would never color or slant the facts.

3. Don't bother to write a thank-you note or offer a word of praise if a teacher does something special for your child. After all, teachers are paid by you, the taxpayer. That's thanks enough.

4. When your child complains that there is too much homework, agree with him and if necessary do it for him. Children need recreation and rest.

5. If your child reports that the teacher embarrassed him in front of the whole class for some little thing he did, phone the schools and make it clear that you will not permit any teacher to discipline your child because he is very sensitive-- "not like most children."

6. Don't bother about PTA meetings, Visiting Night, or any of the other school functions that make for better relationships between parents and teachers. They are a bore.

We appreciate your help, Ann Landers. You are a real friend. Oklahoma Teacher.

Dear O.T.: Thanks for a fine set of rules. I agree that if followed, they will produce a permanently damaged child and chronically miserable parents.

Muleshoe Basketball Tournament

Muleshoe High School will sponsor a Basketball Tournament January 2, 3, and 4 in the Muleshoe Junior High School Gym. This will be a tournament for both boys and girls. Teams participating in this will be Muleshoe, Littlefield, Farwell, Levelland, Friona, Lockney, Olton, Tulia and Crosbyton.

Carol Singing Still A Popular Christmas Custom

Caroling is the custom in many countries throughout the world. And, there are about as many different customs connected with it as there are countries.

Bagpipe music accompanies the carolers in (no, not Scotland) Italy!

In England the carolers receive gifts for their efforts. "Gifts" of refreshments are often the case in America.

"Star-singers" is the name for groups of carolers in many nations. The term is taken from the pole they carry, which has a lighted star on top.



TIM JINKS

Tim Jinks Named Best of MHS

Tim Jinks has been selected by the Thespians as "Best of MHS" for this week. Tim is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom G. Jinks. He is 17 years old and is a Senior at Muleshoe High. Tim is involved in Band, Speech and Art.

When asked for his comment on Band, Tim replied "Band and Music is something very enjoyable, whether you're making it or just listening to it, and I think everyone should have a part."

Tim was selected as 'Best of MHS' for his recent accomplishment as making the Area Band.

CONGRATULATIONS TIM!!!!!!



BAND FAVORITES PATRICIA GROGAN AND MIKE HUNT

HECE Students OF Month Selected

HECE selected Donna Burris and Faith Free as Heroes of the month of December. Donna is the daughter of Reverend and Mrs. H. D. Hunter. She is a senior at Muleshoe High School. She is the secretary of HERO and works at Perry's. She enjoys her job very much as well as meeting and getting to know customers. Her hobbies include cooking, sewing, bowling and skating. This is her second year to be in HECE.

Faith Free is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby G. Free. Faith serves as treasurer of HERO. She works at Dameron Drug and enjoys her work very

much. Her hobbies include sewing, playing the piano, swimming, going to movies, crewel, embroidering, cooking and any

kind of handicraft. She is a member of the High School Choir. A member of Muleshoe Rainbow Assembly, Faith is a Past Worthy Advisor. She is the Pianist for the Richland Hills Baptist Church and teaches the nursery class. Faith plans to go to South Plains College and major in Mental Health.



DONNA BURRIS



FAITH FREE

DE Classes Study Display

The Distributive Education classes have been studying display and advertising. The fourth period class built a Christmas display. The merchandise used was donated for display purposes by Anthony's,

Sear's, Johnson Furniture, Gibson's, Harvey Bass, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Gist, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hardaway.

The display was judged and given a rating by the first period DE class. All of the students have enjoyed taking part in the project, and they learned a great deal about building an attractive display.

The theme was "Christmas" and the idea was carried out well. A great deal of imagination was shown in the display along with the "good ole" Christmas spirit.

We would like to thank those people who donated their merchandise to the DE class for display.

The 1974-75 Distributive Education Club would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!!!

MHS Annuals Go On Sale

Annuals go on sale January 8 and students will have an opportunity to purchase annuals until January 20. They will sell for \$7.50.

OLD SHIP FOUND KYRENIA, CYPRUS--Less than two miles outside of this port a sunken merchant ship, believed to be 2,200 years old, is being unearthed from the sea floor. After seven years, a team of archeologists, will soon put the ship on public display.

Honors Given During Christmas Concert

Monday night, December 16, the Muleshoe "Mighty M" band gave their annual Christmas concert. The band played several songs which included "Winter Wonderland", "Sleigh Ride", "Carol of the Drum", "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers", "The Messiah", and "Christmas for Winds".

Mr. Clines then announced the ones who had recently made the ALL-REGION BAND. These were Susan Murray, Patricia Grogan, Gari Richardson, Judy Precure, Merryll Watson, and

Sheryl Brown. He then announced Tim Jinks as making the first tryout for the All State Band. Others who were chosen as alternates were Patricia Grogan, Sheryl Brown and Gary Richardson.

Clines and Pierce were then presented with gifts from the "Mighty M" band. Clines received a digital alarm clock, and Pierce received a shirt and a sweater vest. Maribeth Dillman, the band secretary and Tim Sooter, President of the band presented these gifts.

Student Council Christmas Party

The Student Council had their Christmas party, December 16, 1974. A Christmas tree was donated by Ray Campbell to be decorated and given to a needy family for Christmas.

The members of the Council brought decorations for the tree. The members present were: President: Mike Bland, Dusty Davis, Danny Brown, Rodney Turnbow, David Watson, Pam Loyd, Susie Cousatte, Perri Poyner, and Terri Crane. Student Council sponsor: Mr. Bizzel was also present.

Refreshments were served by the F.H.A. girls in the Home-EC Department after the tree was decorated. Gag gifts were exchanged by the council members and everyone present had a wonderful time.

Patricia Grogan and Mike Hunt were selected as "Band Favorites", for the year 1974-75. The other candidates were Susan Murray and Tim Sooter and Tim Jinks and Paula Bickel. Patricia presented a dozen red roses, and all boy candidates received key chains and girl candidates received charms. Congratulations Patricia and Mike for being chosen band favorites for 1974-75.

Tim Jinks Wins Honors

December 14, 1974 four members of the "Mighty M" band traveled to Lubbock to play off for the first tryouts for the All-State band.

Tim Jinks was the only person from Muleshoe who made the TMEA Area band. He will be going to Lubbock again in January for the second tryouts. Then if he makes the second tryouts, he will be going to Chicago for the All-State band.

Other students who participated were Patricia Grogan who received first alternate, Sheryl Brown, first alternate, and Gari Richardson, second alternate. The students of MHS along with the other band students take this opportunity to wish Tim the best of luck.

Hero Chapter Has Supper

The HECE class met Thursday, December 12, at the Corral Restaurant for dinner and their monthly meeting.

Ruth Ramm called the meeting to order. The meeting was held as a surprise party for Miss Annita Kelly, the student teacher from Texas Tech. The HECE girls presented her with a gold charm as their appreciation for her.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ramm are the chapter parents and were present for the meeting.

Merry Christmas

Mr. Mardis would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. School will resume the 6th of January.



Merry Christmas

We hope you experience all the joy and warmth that goes with this Christmas season. Our gratitude for your friendship and trust.

MULESHOE BI-PRODUCTS



DECA DISPLAY



Dear Santa;

To Santa Claus
I will like a radio and a ring.
And I also want some dishes.
And I hope you like me.
I like you.
And I hope you bring the toys.
I hope you have a good Christmas Day.
I will have a good Christmas Day, too.
I am in the second grade,
from Mary

To Santa Claus From Becky
Dear Santa, I love you, I hope you Love me. I'm sure you Love me. I have lots of fun at school and at home. I hope children are not bad so that they will get some toys. I hope that I am good so that I will get some toys too, just as others get them. I hope you bring some toys to me. I am in Mrs. Bruns second grade room.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want you to bring me some toys. I want you to bring me a play duck and a dog, a kitten, and a lamb.
To Santa Claus, From Florinda.

Dear Santa Claus,
I Love you very much.
I hope children are not bad. I hope that children are good where they can get some toys. I hope you like me. I hope you bring me some toys. I love toys.
I hope you like me.
Love, Chandra

Dear Santa Claus
I want you to bring some toys to me, please. I want a bike and Cathy quick curl and GoGo boots.
To Santa Claus
From Stacy

Dear Santa
Dear Santa I want f John Deere tractor for Christmas.
Love Michael Wright.

Dear Santa
I want a toll for Christmas
Love
Vickie Jeanne
Vickie Jeanne Crim

Dear Santa,
I want a rifle for Christmas
Love,
Aaron Hargett

from Paul
Dear Santa Claus,
Would you bring me a spin willre-so I can play with it because my Mom will not let me have a whole bunch of toys in the floor, I would like it so I can make my own cars.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll, and a bike, and a playdog. So, please, get me the toys I want.
To Santa Claus from Debbie.

Maggie
Dear Santa Claus,
I want you to bring some toys to me. I want a doll. I want a present for me. My name is Maggie.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll, an airplane, Santa Claus, and some dishes, and jewel box, I want a dress and pants. I am in the second grade at Lazbuddie.
Lias Ovalle

Dear Santa;
How are you and all the Reindeer? I can't wait till Christmas. Please bring me a hoppity-hop and a snoopy toothbrush.
I love you
Heather D'Ann Baker

Dear Santa
I want a holster for Christmas
Love Ricky
Spencer holster

Dear Santa
IM want train for Christmas.
Love Joe Silva

Dear Santa,
I want a car for Christmas.
Love,
Edward Casanova
car

Dear Santa,
I want a mini bike for Christmas.
Love Vandl Tarter

Dear Santa
I want a truck for Christmas.
Love,
Paul Gonales

Dear Santa,
I want a toy motorcycle, toy car, tractor.
Nick Veia

Dear Santa,
I want trampoline, a machine that makes a hat and a puppet a doll.
Cami Ivy.

Dear Santa,
I want a little race car, racing track, small yellow dump truck.
Clint Russell

Dear Santa,
I want bike, motorcycle, and a little bear.
Norma Robles

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, coloring book.
Noni Hernandez.

Dear Santa,
I want, gun, gun belt, rifle, horse, coloring book.
Gary Spencer.

Dear Santa,
I want a doll that has hair with a brush, dishes.
Carmen Ga'aviz.

The First American Xmas Tree

Christmas traditions date back thousands of years . . . to the Druids and ancient Rome and beyond, but the first Christmas tree in America was brought into being comparatively recently . . . in 1847.

The place was Wooster, Ohio. A young German immigrant, August Imgard, a youth of 21, is said to have introduced the Christmas tree to America.

As Christmas drew near that year, it proved to young Imgard a season of somewhat dismal anticipation. He missed the fund of entertainment and observance which marked the Day in his homeland. So he decided to have one like those in Bavaria.

Two other reasons, very personal ones, were his nephew and niece. He wanted to bring added joy to their Christmas, and make it one they would never forget.

Young Imgard went into the woods and chopped down a spruce tree. From the village tinsmith he obtained a twinkly tin star. The family made paper decora-

tions, and thus the Christmas tree, as most of us know it, came into being.

The townsfolk gathered 'round to admire it. Before long, the word had been spread far and wide, about the beautiful tree in Wooster, Ohio. It became an American custom.

America honors August Imgard. His tomb stands on Madison Hill in Wooster. This year, as in previous years, a lighted Christmas tree will probably stand at its door, a tribute to the man who first brought to America the symbol of joy and peace and love that should be Christmas for us all, all over the world.

Holly, Traditional To Christmas

Holly has long been considered the most sacred of Christmas greens; and the red berries are said to represent the blood of Jesus. "Of all the trees that are in the wood, only the holly bears the crown!"



GREAT JOY fills the air at Christmas time. May your fondest dreams come true.
WHITT, WATTS & REMPE



Merry Christmas

'Tis the season to be jolly! We hope your holidays are filled with good cheer and lots of good things! Thank you so much for your patronage throughout the past year.

BRATCHER MOTOR SUPPLY



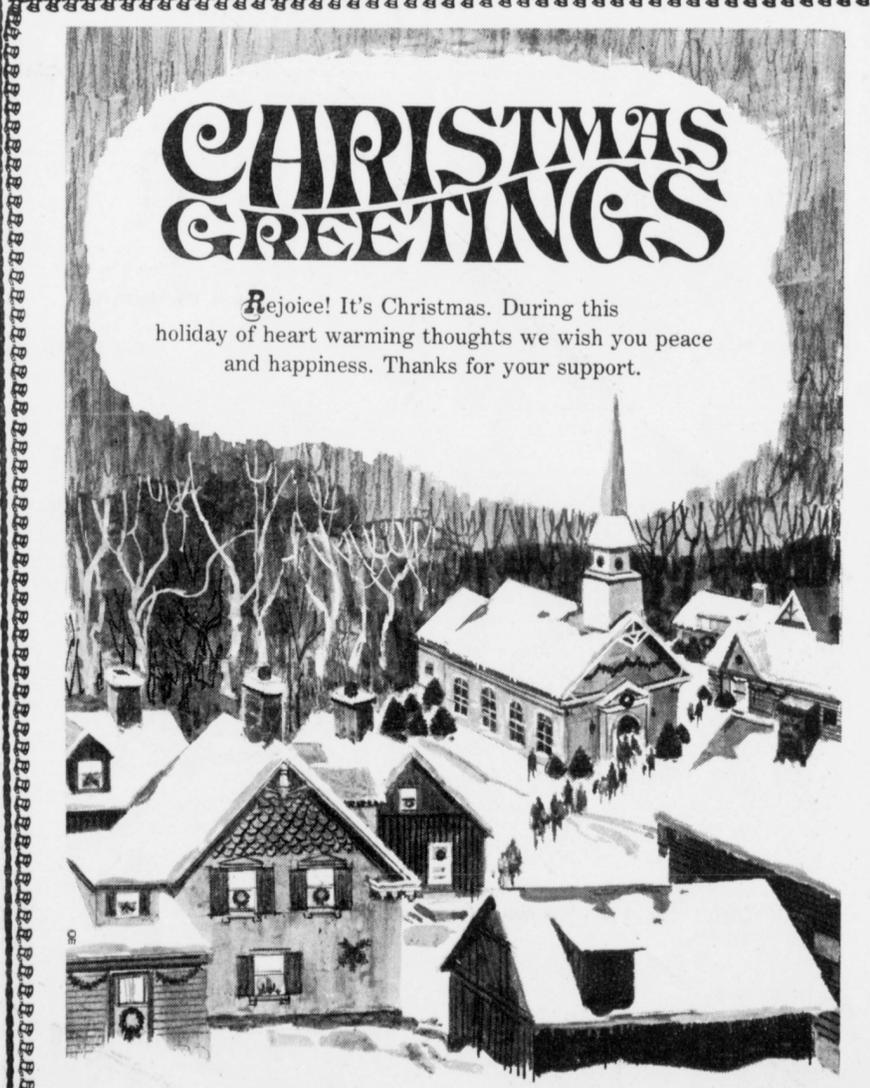
Have a Cheerful Holiday

May this Christmas bring all the best for you and your family and follow you thru the new year.

SAM FOX TEXACO CONSIGNEE

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Rejoice! It's Christmas. During this holiday of heart warming thoughts we wish you peace and happiness. Thanks for your support.



CITIZENS STATE BANK
EARTH TEXAS

Dear Santa,
I want Barbie doll with clothes play Santa, Big Doll with clothes, coloring book, play lamb, ring, play christmastree, play Noah's Ark, game.
Shonda Mitchell

Dear Santa,
Please bring me 2 sets of Barbie dolls. A coloring book and a tricycle, and a little Christmas tree.
Cathy Schaeher

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie house, Game of Light, and 2 Barbie Dolls.
Traci Elliott

Dear Santa,
I want a coloring book, truck, Bicycle, and a grader.
Lester Burns

Dear Santa,
I want a Raggedy Ann, Barbie, bicycle, and a doll.
Sheryl Ivy

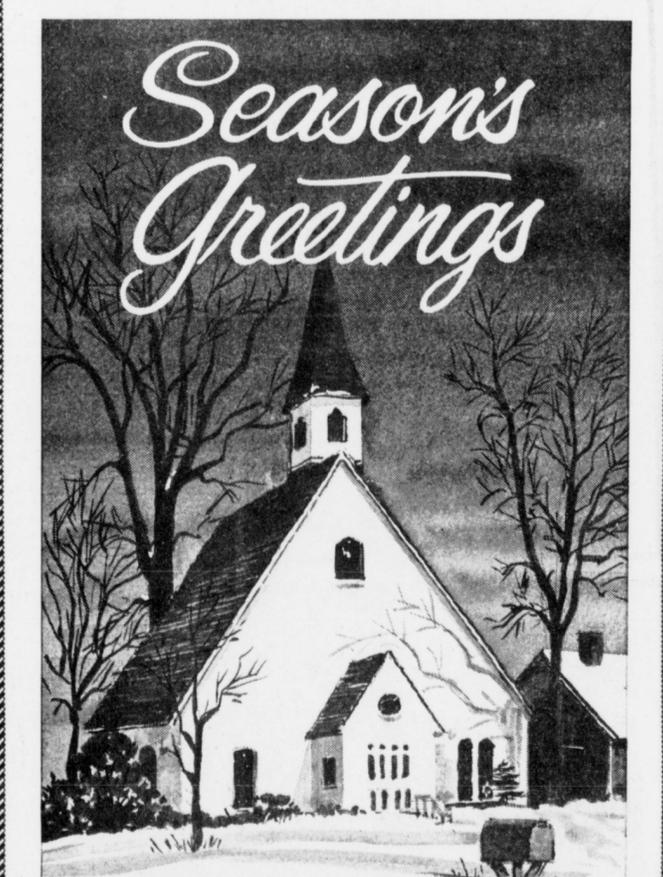
Dear Santa,
I want one of those things that make pavements, a grader, elevator, front end loader and a big truck.
Les Baraes.

Merry Christmas



Wishing You Special Gifts of Joy!
DOT'S SHOP

Season's Greetings



As we celebrate the birth of the Prince of Peace, we pray that His peace will abide with all.

MULESHOE CO-OP GINS

Dear Santa;

Lazbuddie, Tex
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,
Please bring my little sister and I a doll. I hope I am not bothering you Santa, Well, how is Rudolf? Is he fine? And how are you and your wife? Are your elves fine?
Yours, truly,
Esperanza Sallegos

Lazbuddie Tex
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a machbox cars, and bring something that I can set a car on and make it run. and How's Rudolf?
How many ra ndeers do you have How are you doing?
Love
Dewayne

Lazbuddie, Tex
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,
How are you doing this year I want a Dallas Cowboy jacket and a 4-10. And some walkie talkies and a matchbox country vehicle set. And pro football and a tape recorder.
Love
Jeff.

Lazbuddie Tex
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa
How are you doing this year

Santa? I want a BB gun and I want a Mini bike. Santa I athnk you are busy now. How are your elves doing this year?
You are a nice Santa.
Love
Marion

Lazbuddie, Texas
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa
How are your reindeere doing this year? Is Rudolf a nice boy this year.
I know that your sleigh is full of toys on Christmas night I want a Cathy quck curl outdoor nativityset
What are you going to this year.

My brother wants ten-speed bike. I want a tram-poline for Christmas Eve.
Love
Peggy Coztereras

Lazbuddie Tex
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,
Christmas is when Jesus was born. I want a new bicycle that is orange and black. I hope the reindeers are good. I want a new toy tractor and two plows.
Love
Chris

Lazbuddie Tex
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,

Is been so long since I saw you. I know you are busy but I want to tell you what I want.
I want --Baby alive-- Necklace- trampoline-- zig zag sewing machine Cinderella watch, Snoopy brushes and A. M. radio
Love
Jana

Lazbuddie, Tex
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,
How are you this year?
Oh, Santa I forgot how is Rodolf doing? Santa I want a Bebegun and a set of cars, and Santa how are your elves doing?
Love
Israel
Remember me
Santa

Lazbuddie Tex
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,
How is your little Rudolf? Dear Santa May I have a bee-bee gun and a new pair of botts thank-you, santa.
LOVE
Lynn

Lazbuddie, Tex
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,
How are you this year.
Santa I want you tobring a mini bike and the hamat to but I thing thats all for me. I hop you are not to

Lazbuddie, Tex
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,
I want a little doll that is called Baby Alive. I want some toys and candy.
Yours,
Esther

buy now.
Love
Jose

Lazbuddie Tex
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa
How are you doing?
This year I want a Dal-las Cow boy jacket and a 20 gauge shotgun and a 10 speed bike and a labek maker and tape.
LOVE
Lee

Gen. Del,
Lazbuddie, Texas
79053
Dear Santa,
I want a baby alive doll andtoys candies and cloring books.
Yours truly,
Maria Flores

Rt. 3, Box
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
Dec. 18, 1974
Dear Santa,
I would like a telescope and a new race car track, and the game of Life and a Cox flying airplane, and the game called Twister.
Yours truly,
Bart Elliott

Rt. 1 Box 147
Lazbuddie, Texas
79035 Dec. 18, 1974
Dear Santa,
I want a little doll that is called Baby Alive. I want some toys and candy.
Yours,
Esther

Rt. 1 Box 86 1/2
Muleshoe, Texas 793347
Dec. 18, 1974
Dear Santa,
I want two Pelet Guns and shells for Christmas. And I would like two Walkie Talkies Evel Knievel bike I would like to have a TTP motorcycle and a toy Crawling Fort and a U. S. MK-VIII Tank.
I want to have Jet Rocket.
Your friend,
Majtin,
Box 136a
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
Dec. 18, 1974

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like these things:
an Evil Knievel Skycycle
a T. V. Magic Set
a .177 cal. pellet rifle
a box of 7,00,000 .177 cal pellets
and two pairs of Hamsters
Your friend,
Frank Jesko

Jerry Bridges
Rt. 1 Friona
Texas 79035
Dear Santa.

How are you and your little raindeers. Santa i would like a pellet gun and a pear of gl-oves and a farm set with pigs and hogs and cow horses. S-anto i donot know if i have been bod or good, i hope i have been a good boy. This year i hope you don't yet sick come in the colod air. I will be asleep ween the clock trikes 12 o'clock good night santa.
Your friend
Jerry
Rt. 3 Box
Lazbuddie, Texas 79053
Dec. 18, 1974

Dear Santa,
I want a doll and a cat form I love you to and I want a boy Ken and Barbie doll and my litte brother want a litte car a May litte sister a doll and may our big brother a car for him and my bigger brother a car for him please.
Your friend,
Francis Jimge

Dear Santa,
I want a doll for Christmas.
Love,
Melissa Sanchez
Dear Santa;
I want a doll for Christ-mas.
Love,
Paula Vela

Dear Santa,
I want a doll with a bottle for Christmas.
Love
Rita Garcia

Dear Santa,
I want a race car for Christ-mas
Love,
Todd Daniel

Dear Santa,
I want a doll for Christ-mas.
Love,
Lezlie Smith

Dear Santa
I want a doll for Christmas.
Love
Nancy Caballero

Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle for christmas.
Love Guy Brockman

Dear Santa,
I want a typewriter for Christ-mas
Love- Wendy Jarman

Dear Santa,
I wanta truck for Christmas.
Love
Danny Garcia

Dear Santa
I want a doll for Christmas.
Perto

It's strange how often you get a person's opinion without asking for it.

Christmas Creche Has Tradition

We do not know when the first creche was set up as a tableau to illustrate the nativity, but church records indicate that St. Francis of Assisi received special permission from the Pope to reconstruct the scene in the Bethlehem stable.
Today the crib, surrounded by figurines of the Holy Family, the Three Wise Men, shepherds, angels and farm animals, is to southern Europe and Catholic countries what the brightly decorated Christmas tree is to America.
In the Southern Hemisphere Christmas is celebrated in mid-summer heat. They will have the traditional turkey dinner. Families often go to the seashore or the hills for a picnic.



Joy to all

Let us All Rejoice on this Happy Day!
Spurgeon's Motor Machine

MERRY CHRISTMAS



May we take this time to send you all our brightest greetings for the Yuletide season, and our sincere thanks for your kind support.

FRY & COX IMP.



Let the joyful songs of Christmas ring out for all to hear and peace and good will abound through out the world this year.

CORRAL RESTAURANT

JOYOUS YULE



May the glow of candles warm your hearth and love warm your heart this holiday season.

Western Wear

1609 N. Prince,
Clovis N.M.

LCC Calling Local Ex-Students Here

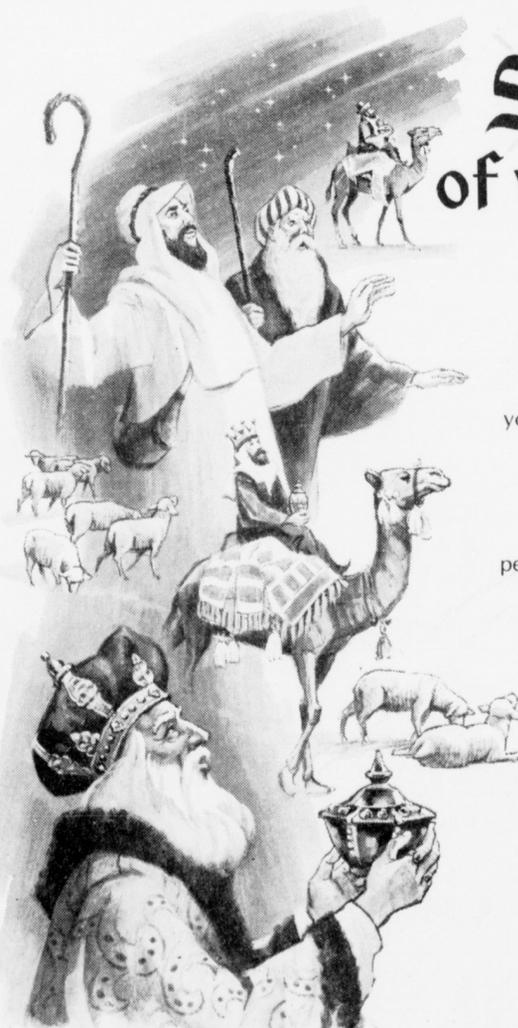
A \$6,000,000.00 fund raising drive called "Design for Destiny" has been launched at Lubbock Christian College in Lubbock, Texas, and a part of their program involves a marathon phone-a-thon, beginning December 6, and ending sometime in January 1975.

Forty-two faculty and staff members of LCC have pledged their time and effort to call all ex-students everywhere to request pledges and cash gifts to the College over a three year period. Special lines have been installed, and the phones will be manned from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. each evening Monday through Friday, and from noon until 10:00 p.m. Saturdays. LCC is a young school, and has only about 5,000 ex-students, yet a goal of \$100,000.00 is expected from this source. More than \$30,000.00 has already been received from ex-students prior to beginning the phone-a-thon. Many ex-students are now living in Muleshoe and will be among those receiving calls.

The "Design for Destiny" goal of \$6,000,000.00 has just gotten underway at LCC, and \$1,720,000.00 has already been received in cash and pledges. If \$2,000,000.00 can be raised from the Lubbock area and from ex-students by February 1, the Mabee Foundation has agreed to donate \$1,000,000.00 to build a Student Center on the campus. This will constitute half of the "Design for Destiny" goal. Then, when the College has raised an additional \$1,000,000.00 from outside the Lubbock area, Dr. Joe Mabee of Midland, Texas, and his friends have agreed to spearhead a national drive to raise the remaining \$2,000,000.00.

Dr. Joe Harker, President of the College said, "No one knows better the value of Lubbock Christian College than those who have been benefited, and we are counting heavily on their being a significant aid in our current "Design for Destiny" programs."

Star of wonder



May the light of the Christmas star enter your heart and home this season—filling them with lasting joy and peace. To our patrons we would like to express our thanks for the loyalty shown to us.

CENTRAL COMPRESS & NICKELS GIN

Merry Christmas



It's Yuletide Season . . . here's a hearty wish for the best holiday ever! Fill it with good times, high spirits, and lots of friends. It's been our pleasure to serve you. Have a happy!

Littlefield Federal Savings & Loan

Dear Santa;

Lazbuddie Tex
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,
I t has been a year or two since I have wrote you. How are you? I am fine. How are your elves? What have you been doing, Santa? Please bring me a typewriter I hope you have a nice trip. Please bring me a trampoline.
Love,
LEAH

Lazbuddie Texx
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,
How is Rudolf Doing? I an doing fine. I wish a 20 guages shotgun Will Rudolf guide your sleds WEhop you will come to see us.
Love
Kevin.

Lazbuddie Tex
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,
How are you doing. This year I would like a good Leather Football a big box of Hot wheels and a Spinwelder Set.

Remember me,
Shane

Lazbuddie Texas
Dear Santa,
How are you doing. THIS How are you doing. This year i would like a G-1 Joe Set and a Xlerators, smash up derby set and a train set How is Rudolf doing this year. I saw a Rudolf show and it was good. Will Rudolf guide the sled.
Love
Greg Fluker

Lazbuddie Texx
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,
I t will be a long time till I will see your reindeers. Will you bring me Chip-A way a Snovpy toothbrush and a trampoline. Have a nice time and please go by my house and see my tree. i hope every girl and boy were good and gets what they want for Christmas.
Love
Sear.

Lazbuddie Tex
December 18, 1984
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a sewing machine and a trampoline,

How are you and yor elves and your reindeers. I hope I am not bothering you. I know you are busy.
Love
Lama

Lazbuddie Tex
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a BeBe gun. a motor bike and a crane. How is Rudolf?
Love
Tony

Lazbuddie Tex
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,
How are you this year. How many elves do you have?
Do you have the toys, Santa, When will you come to myhome How is Rudolf this year Give my sistrs presents, too and give my brothers some too and do not forget me.
Love
Noe

Lazbuddie Tex
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,
How are you doing?
i want a Original Talking. Big bouncy balls, gemstone jewelry kit and wooden paint-by number

gingerbread house. Big Mouth singers. Give me a presnets and one for my little brother and one for my little sister.
Love
Martha

Lazbudd Tex
December 19, 1974
Dear Santa,
How are you Santa?
Will you send me a watch Santa how are your elves doing? Have you got some new elves? Santa how is Rudolf doing and the other reideers doing? Santa how is your sleigh doing?
Remember, me,
Evaristo Sanchez.
Dear Santa,
I want a tractor and a gun. For Christmas.
Noe Vela

Dear Santa,
I want an ID bracelet and a little doll with long hair for Christmas.
Love, Wanetto Templar

Dear Santa,
I want two pistols and a sheriff badge and a rifle for Christmas.
Love, David Schacher

Dear Santa,
I want a tapeorder and a typewriter for Christmas.
Love Laura Jesko

Dear Santa,
I want a real football and a huge box of crayons and a surprise for Christmas.
Love, Brian Houston.

Dear Santa,
I want a big doll with long hair and a hot fire gil with a motorcycle for Christmas.
Love, Melissa Fluker

Dear Santa,
I want a typewriter for Christmas.
Love, Lusero Narvaez

Dear Santa,
I want a drum and a tape recorder, and a Kathy Quick Curl, for Christmas, Love, Tazia Smith

Dear Santa,
I want a tpewriter and a Kathy Quick Curl for Christmas. Love Chantelle Hicks.

Dear Santa,
I want a tape recorder and a Barbie house with an elevator for Christmas Love Sue Collins.

Dear Santa,
I want a BB gun for for Christmas.
Love, Anthony Elliott

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie with a case for Christmas.
Love, Stacy Burns

Dear Santa,
I want a doll and a drum, for Christmas.
Love, Narsie Silva

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie doll with a sleeping keep case for Christmas.
Love, Lisa McGehee

Dear Santa
I want a baby Crissy, and a big wheel to, if you think of something else it will be all right.
I Love you
Love
Rachelle Hardage

Letters To The Editor

inside
Letter to the Editor--
Dear Governor Briscoe;
I recently read the copy of: "The Darker Side of Childhood" prepared for /by the Texas Department of Community Affairs and the Office of Early Childhood Development. My first impression from the one reading can be summed up in one word:
BALONEY!!!
For all the good it will do, I want to go on record and voice my protest of the tenacles of the state that are reaching out and invading even the fountainhead of our nation. I do not appreciate the interference and pressures that are directing our nation into the camp of socialism. The education of our children away from a free enterprise system and becoming dependent upon a state supported system of care centers and training stations. I came from what you would classify as a poverty stricken family. (It was caused by something that your social system is promoting . . . LIQUOR.) I know what it is to live in a chicken house, following the original fowl tenants and their foul house-cleaning. I didn't know what it was to have food stamps or relief, I learned to WORK. The majority of your prime examples of the welfare state are pictured as the butts of jokes. They drive to the post office in their long cars and get their food stamps while the money they can get is spent in liquor joints.
Mr. Governor if you want to help this state and its WORKING people will you please get the tenacles of the WELFARE DEPARTMENT out of our independent day care centers? Will you please legalize the return of disipline to the schools and encourage the parents to apply the board of education to the seat of learning and remove some of the foolishness from the heads of our children? Will you please see that the WELFARE DEPARTMENT gets its tenacles out of such schools; as the Rebecca Home and the Light-house so we can at least salvage some of the children that permissiveness in the PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEMS are ruining. Mr. Briscoe we hard working people are getting mighty tired of seeing our hard earned money pounded down a rathole called WELFARE. We don't appreciate having our hard earned bucks taken and given to those who don't want to do an honest days work.

I could have saved the taxpayers a whole lot of cold cash, that was spent in publishing and compiling for a report, The Darker Side of Childhood. There has already been a book published. I wish you would dig it out and get it back on the desk of every teacher. It is called the BIBLE. Don't quote me Madlyn Murray O'Hare. She doesn't know any more about raising children than an old maid. Sure she had one but that doesn't qualify her for the title of mother. It takes more to having children to make a woman a mother. I like to think of mother as one who teaches a child to WORK: to respect their nation; to love their government; to reverence God and to honor His book. Mr. Governor there isn't 46 things to know about Texas children. There is ONE thing that is needed to be known: ". . . a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame." Prov. 29:15.
This ignorant country boy managed to rise out of what you classify as poverty surroundings and I have faith enough to believe that what God has done for me, he can do for

the rest of America. We don't need WELFARE we need WEL-PRAYER. We don't need DOL-ERELIEF. We need SOULRE-LIEF. It isn't the physical poverty that we need to deal with, it is the Spiritual degradation we need to mount a massive assault upon.
I beseech you in the name of all the children of this great state of ours. . . . Put the BOOT to the WELFARE DEPART-MENT and then put your praying hands upon God's book and let's get help from almighty God. (The almighty dollar has gone the way of all flesh.) You aren't kidding yourself when you think the dollar will buy anyone of these children what they need by giving them parents who won't give them what God has design-ed parents to give children. . . an incentive to make something of THEMSELVES. God help you to have the grace to do something about this mess.

Sincerely,
CHARLES KENNETH HARVEY

Origin of Carols

In 1859, Dr. John Henry Hopkins, Jr., an Episcopal rector, composed the words and music for "We Three Kings of Bethlehem Are."
"O, Little Town of Beth-lehem" was inspired by a trip to the Holy Land. It was composed in 1868 by Phillip Brooks, an Epis-copal minister. The music was written by Lewis H. Redner, organist of Brooks' church.
It is curious that one of the best-known carols, Charles Dickens' "Christ-mas Carol", written in 1843, is to be read, not sung.

Festive Cocktails For Teetotalers

MOD-FASHIONED: Chilled cola and lemon and lime soda mixed half-and-half. Pour over ice cubes and add orange slices, pineapple spears and maraschino cherries.



Merry Christmas

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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Merry Christmas

Merry Christmas one and all. Hope it's abundant in joy and peace. Thanks to all.

DISTRICT CLERK Nelda Merriott



JOY TO ALL

Sincere good wishes to you at Christmastide.

COUNTY CLERKS OFFICE
Hazel, Barbara & Betty



Christmas GREETINGS

We hope you enjoy everything this wonderful season has to offer. Thank you, friends.

JOE SHIPMAN & SON BODY SHOP



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

We wish you an old-fashioned Christmas . . . one that glows with the good things in life: a happy family, good friends and lots of good fellowship. We want to thank you, too, for being such loyal customers.

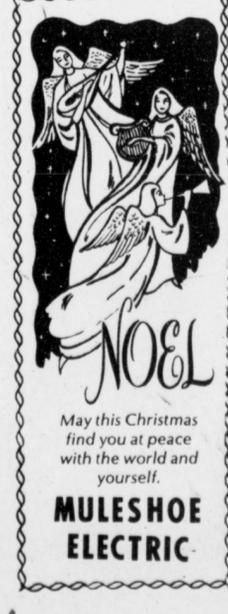
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Legends Honor St. Nicholas

He's the patron saint of pawnbrokers. He watches over mariners. Since the fourth century, he has been remembered for his generosity.

Many of the legends linked with St. Nicholas, real-life ancestor of today's Santa Claus.

But his most enduring connection is with youth and gifts. In Europe, his feast day, December 6th, has traditionally been an occasion for merriment and gifting.



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Christmas joy

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Gloria in Excelsis

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John Tower United States Senate

When Congress returned after the month-long election recess in November, the primary concern of almost everyone was the state of our economy. Much of the discussion and disagreement has centered around whether our major problem is inflation or recession. There are as many opinions on what solutions should be applied to these problems as there are people who offer the opinions. This diversity of thought has only served to aggravate and even to confuse the issue.

In light of this situation, the Republican Conference Committee, which is composed of all Republican Senators, met more than a week ago in an attempt to arrive at a consensus on economic policy. There was no desire among any of my Republican colleagues to replace the President's economic program. Rather, we felt that we could play a strong sup-

portive role by presenting a unified effort in the Senate as well as offering guidance from Capitol Hill to the President.

The conference adopted a resolution calling for an ad hoc committee of seven senators to study the economic situation and to draft appropriate policy statements and to suggest supplemental initiatives. The committee of seven was asked to report back to the full conference committee in one week.

Because of my background as ranking member of the Senate Banking Committee and because I am chairman of the Senate Republican Policy Committee and I served as the Republican Senator on the Steering Committee of the President's Economic Summit Conference, I was chosen to serve as chairman of this task force. The others who served with me are Senators Howard Baker, Carl Curtis, Paul Fannin, Jacob Javits, Ted

Stevens and Charles Percy.

The committee met in five separate sessions, each session lasting at least two hours. Bill Simon, Secretary of the Treasury, met with the committee twice. In addition, Alan Greenspan, chairman of the Council of Economic Advisors, and Arthur Burns, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board met with me personally. These men, who are the top economic advisors in the administration, willingly submitted to our questions and contributed to our deliberations in a significant manner.

On Wednesday of this week the Republican Conference convened and the task force presented its unanimous recommendations for consideration. Following considerable discussion, the Conference adopted our proposals designed to supplement and reinforce the President's economic package. In the next few days, a delegation will present our suggestions to the President in some detail.

In considering general economic policy, we agreed that monetary policy must pursue an orderly and moderate growth and we hope that the tight monetary restraints we have experienced for some time now can be eased. The easing of the money supply, however, must be accompanied by a stringent control on federal spending. Likewise, tax reform is essential to relieve the burden on those of low and moderate income and simultaneously encourage increased investment, capital formation and employment.

We stress in our proposals that wage and price stability should be sought through the discipline of the marketplace and not through a system of economic controls. Additionally, trade reform, strengthened anti-trust policy, review of federal regulatory agencies, financial reform, and support for the ailing housing market all should be made priority items for both the President and the Congress to address.

The package which we have adopted is multi-faceted and cuts across the entire American economy. In addition to general economic policy, we addressed the areas of jobs and employment, energy resources and conservation, food production and productivity.

Increased employment and unemployment assistance through public service jobs and an emergency jobs program have become essential with the leap-frogging unemployment figures we now are experiencing.

We must launch an aggressive attack aimed at eliminating wasteful energy consumption while at the same time stimulating and encouraging increased domestic energy exploitation and production.

Food production at maximum levels should be encouraged through free market channels in order that we might meet present needs domestically and foreign demands for U.S. production.

And, we must be aware constantly of the need for the importance of a continual effort on the part of private enterprise and government bureaucracy alike to increase our nation's productivity across the boards.

In order to get the economy moving in the right direction, we must all pull in the same direction—the Congress as well as the Administration. The economic problems of the United States are an integral part of an international inflationary crisis. Only by working together can we bring our economy back to a normal rate of growth and expansion so that everyone in the United States as well as the world can enjoy a better way of life.

Cattle Lice Treatment Time

With the onset of cooler weather, livestock producers need to turn their thoughts to the problem of lice control. Generally, lice problems are more severe in the northern United States but sufficient numbers are often present in the southwest to cause economic damage.

Both types of lice—blood-sucking and biting—attack cattle. The sucking lice pierce the animal's skin and draw blood while the chewing lice feed on particles of hair, scales, scab and skin exudations. The life cycle of both is similar with increase in populations starting in the fall. Peak populations normally occur in late winter and early spring and then a rapid decline occurs.

Low numbers of lice may be present on certain animals year round. Since lice do not do well at high temperatures, the reproduction nearly ceases in the spring and the lice will migrate to the tips of the ears or tail to avoid the excessive body heat. With the arrival of cooler temperatures, lice reproduction increases. Cattle will tend to bunch or crowd up more allowing transfer of lice from one animal to another. Heavy hair coats also offer more protection to the parasites.

Often the first signals of lice problems are signs of rubbing and intense irritation to the animals. Large patches of hair may be rubbed off and fences may be pushed down. Lousiness is generally first noticed on poor, weak and unthrifty animals. Some animals will have heavy infestations every year while others seldom have a problem. There is definitely a resistance factor present in many animals.

If you wait until lice problems are too severe, large economic losses may occur prior to treatment. Cattle that harbor lice often do not respond to feed properly and are more subject to diseases because of their weakened condition. Anemia may result from blood loss from sucking lice and calves may become stunted.

Cattle lice may be controlled in a variety of ways. One pr-

actice that will lessen lice problems is to eliminate the "carrier" animals that constantly harbor high populations. Chemical treatment is very effective. Self-treatment devices such as dust bags, back rubbers, chain oilers and other such devices generally afford effective control at a low cost and with a minimum of labor. The location of these devices is very important to insure adequate use. The old practice of using used crankcase oil is not recommended since it often will cause more severe skin irritation than light populations of lice.

Approved sprays, dips and pour-ons are also effective but the animals must be gathered

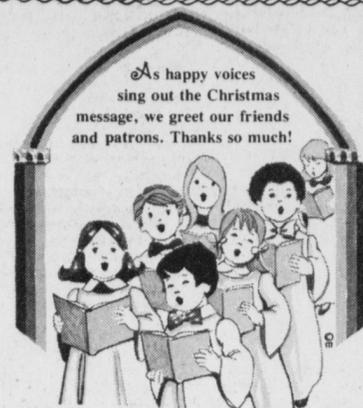
for treatment. If one of these methods is used, two applications on a 10-14 day interval may be necessary. After this is done, any new animal to be introduced into the herd should be treated in a similar fashion before it is placed with the previously treated animals.

Numerous materials are currently registered for cattle lice control. Before any material is used, the label should be thoroughly read and all restrictions and precautions should be followed. The product best suited for your use will depend on its price and availability. Producers are urged to check with local suppliers to determine the

most economical and effective material. Additional information on livestock parasite control (Suggestions for Con-

trolling External Parasites of Livestock and Poultry, MP-691) is available from your local county Extension office.

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message, we greet our friends
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Christmas...! a time for remembering

This is a year for nostalgia, in the drama, in the clothes we wear, in many aspects of our modern life.

At Christmastime we are engulfed with the tides of nostalgia. We tend to go back in spirit to our old, childhood memories—the neighborhood children, the beloved postman who brought us gifts—our little world when we thought we were the center of the Universe, and that we ourselves were immortal.

It was a time of slower pace, when we seemed to see, hear and savor more... the ordinary things such as the squeak of the snow under our boots, the frosty feel of a snowflake on our cheek—the tingle as our ears burned in the wintry wind.

With what joyous anticipation we watched Father

uncover the sleds, noted with pride the name "Flexible Flyer," for they were the fleetest on the icy hills.

We remember the delicious fragrances coming from the kitchen, as Mother prepared the fruit cakes, baked the cookies and foolishly set them aside to cool, not beyond our childish reach. We remember the great Bird and its crusty brown goodness, and the crunchy, tart whole cranberry sauce accompanying.

And caroling! We looked forward to it, to gathering with friends and caroling on street-corners as the lamps overhead flickered and lighted up each rosy face. How proud we were, to "sing in parts," to give each jolly song, each hymn its special best.

And when we came in from our various rounds, we remember the all-encompassing warmth as we stood over the floor grate! The heat rushed through our corduroys and serge garments and our boots.

These are the senses of home, the wondrously comforting "little" things that meant Christmas to many of us, many years ago.

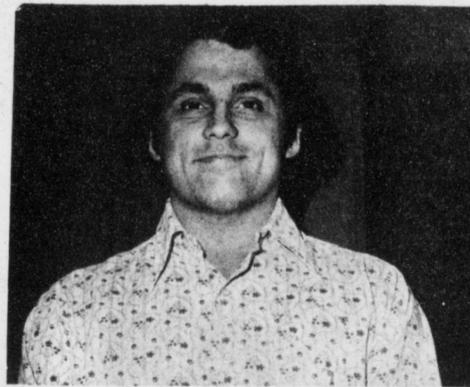


Silent
Night

The blessings of this glorious
Christmas Season be yours now
and throughout the coming year.

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WELCOME TO MULESHOE



KELLEY TAYLOR

WELCOMING KELLEY TAYLOR WHO MOVED HERE FROM ABERDEEN, MISSISSIPPI. HE ATTENDED THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO FOR TWO YEARS. HE IS PRESENTLY EMPLOYED BY E.T. FORD AS A PLUMBER. HE IS SINGLE AND HIS HOBBY IS TENNIS.

Holy Night

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Let the spirit of Christmas be your guiding light now and throughout the coming year. May you find happiness.

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Gen Del,
Lazbuddie Texas 79053
Dec. 18, 1974
Dear Santa Clause,
I would like to have a
shotgun for Christmas and a
bike for Chistam because I
go rideing in drit roda every
day.
Yours truly,
Julian Ovalle

Rt. 1 Box 83

Muleshoe, Texas 79347
Dec. 18, 1974
Dear Santa,
I would like a 410 shotgun and
Shells, and a wakky-talky and
telescope, and a peletgun.
Thank you.
Yours truly,
Danny Powell

gen Del,
Lazbuddie, Texas 790053
Dec. 18, 1974
Dear Santa,
I hope you will come to my
house and bring me twowalkie-
Talkies for me and I want a
five speedbike for me and my
brother, and I want a watch and
I wat a electric car. I want
the car green.
Love,
Esiquiel

Gin Del,
Lazbuddie, Texas 79053
Dec. 18, 1974

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a doll
her name is Baby Alive, and
Barbie's New Country Camper.
I would like knit Magic, I
ould like Barbies Twon House,
and TV Tennis.
I would like to have a bicycle
I would like it to be pink and I
would like to hae a puppy dog.
I love you very much.
Yours Truly,
trestia Moore

Rt. 3 Box 135
Muleshoe Texas 79347
Dec. 18, 1974

Dear Santa,
I would only like twong this
Christmas- a 20-2 and a balck
felt hat with a square crease.
Yours sincerely,
Jeff Jesko

Dec. 18, 1974
Rt. 3 Box 102
Muleshoe, Texas 79347

Dear Santa,
I want some Barbies and a
barbie case. I hope you are
feeling good for Christmas. I
will have you some cookies and
a cold or hot drink.
Yours truly,
Valeria Callaway

Gin Del,
Lazbuddie, Texas 79053
December 18, 1974

Dear Santa,
I hope you are having fun.
I would like to have a New
Cathy Quick Curl and Knit
Magic and a Snoopy Trastistor
Radio. I would also like a
TV Magic Set. Thank you
very much.
Yours Truly,
Kim Gregory.

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Friona Tex, 79035
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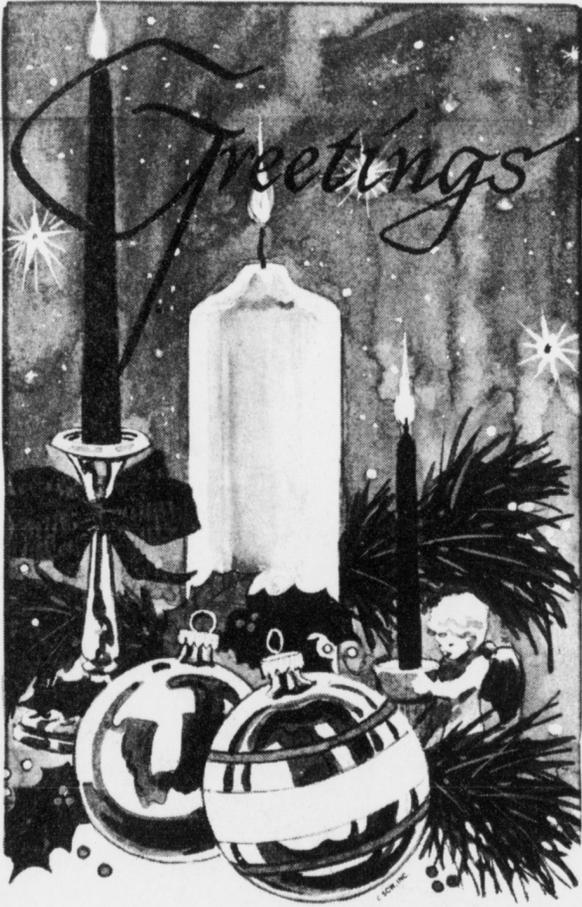
Dear Santa Claus,
I'd like a new barbie doll ca
mper, pool, and new barbie Doll
I want a new bike and a 7-up
machine. I'd like the sunshine
family and house. I'd like a game
or two.
I think I was good this year
because I helped a lot of nice
people. I would also like to have
a magic kit.



Happy Holiday!

Sing your carols of joy this Christ-
mas season and fill the world with
love and happiness.

**McCORMICKS
UPHOLSTRY**



It's that time of year when homes are aglow with
festive decorations and sounds of Noel fill the
air... a time to pause and think of our
many wonderful friends. Merry Christmas to everyone!

**WEST PLAINS
PHARMACY**

Yours truly,
Lori Ivy

Rt. 3 Box 67
Muleshoe Texas 79347
Dec. 18, 1974

Dear Santa,
How have you been. I have
tried to be extra good this year
I want a 20 ga. shotgun. I am
in 4th grade. I am nine years
old. I have one brother and
two sisters. My brother is in
first grade. One sister is in
second and the other in kind-
ergarten. I go to Lazbuddie
School I have a lot of freinds.
Sincerely yours,
Daniel Schacher

Rt. 3 Box 82
Lazbuddie, Texas 79053
Dec. 18, 1974

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine, I
would like two Walkie Talkies
and a Pellet Gun.
Love
Richie

Kerry Winders
Rt. 2 Earth
Texas 79031

Dear Santa,
I have been realnice this yer.
I gog daddy's permission to have
a shotgun. Please bring me one
I would also like to have a pair
of gloves and watch.
Yours truly,
Kerry

Rt. 1 Box 82
Friona, Texas 79035
December 18, 1974

Dear Santa,
"I have been very good,"

I would like to send me some
toys I would like the avel
Kneivel stunt cycle. I would
also like a motorcycle another
BBgun and shoot pellets. A
race car set."
Your truly,
John Spencer

Melinda Gracia
Rt. 1 Box 138
Friona, Texas 79035

Dear Santa,
I want an oragn for
Christmas because I like
to play an oragn. But frist
I have to ask my mother
and father fi I could have
an oragn. I ould like
a swimming pool too. My
brother like's for Chis-
mas a new house for all our
family because we nee a
new house. I watted a houe
that has four rooms and two
bathroom because we have six
kids and Mother ad Father
were eight in all please
Santa.
I Love you,
Melinda.

Lazbuddie, Tex
December 19, 1974

Dear SANTA,
It has been a year since
I wrote to you. How is your
wife? How many ees do
you have?? I s Rudolf doing
alright? I have two special
things that I want this year.
I have more things, too, but
I want to tell you these. I
want Baby Alive and a type-
writer.
Love
Sharon
Glover

**CHRISTMAS: MESSAGE OF
HOPE FOR WORLD'S WOES**

In a world torn with violence at almost every level, through formally or informally declared war, in rioting, anarchy, in cruel discrimination, it is difficult for thinking people to truly experience Christmas.

Yet, through the very meaning of Christ's coming, every man, of every persuasion... whether "Christian" or not, can take Christmas to his heart and profit by it.

For Christ personified

brotherhood, abiding love, tolerance; if Christians have gotten away somewhat through the "outward and visible signs," the ceremonials and the trappings — perhaps this is the year to come home to Christ.

Whatever the rest of the world is doing, let each of us celebrate Christ's birth in our individual, personal ways.

Let us forget self, let us truly open our hearts, to genuinely offer friendship

and brotherly love.



Let us "do" for others, not just through organized charities, or group efforts. Discover the thrill of assisting some less fortunate person, someone who may have much of this world's goods, but be impoverished otherwise.

This is the Christmas to relinquish those petty grievances, and perhaps the important ones, as well.

This is the Christmas to really show those you love that you do love them, in important, little ways... and in large ways, too. It is so human to take care of the vital, "large" ways, and overlook the small, also vital ways! This is the year to do something about that.

Many Names...

In Greece Christmas is called "Genethlia," feast of the Nativity.

Noel is the term used for Christmas in France.

An Italian name for Christmas is "Nativita" from which probably derived the Spanish "Navidad."



THE MOST FAMOUS RESIDENT in the town of Santa Claus, Indiana, population 300, is Santa Claus himself who receives well over 100,000 letters annually from children across the country and around the world. As Santa Claus in costume and Jim Yellig out of it, a 42-year career has been devoted to making sure letters are answered.

Christmas Blessings
To
All...



May your gift at Christmas be peace
and your treasure in the new year.

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Christmas Blessings
May this holy holiday shine down its
blessings on all our neighbors, friends.
Thanks for the kindness shown to us.

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Merry Christmas

AS JOYFUL CHURCH BELLS
RING, WE WISH YOU ALL THE
HAPPINESS THAT CHRISTMAS
TIME CAN BRING.

**SWAP
SHOP**



Greetings

The season's warm glow is filling the air with
happiness and cheer, laughter and joy.

And as we celebrate this special time,
we want to take a moment to thank you for

your valued patronage and good friendship.

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Yule Legends Span Many Years and Many Lands

Did you know that the first Christmas tree erected in a church in U.S., in 1851 shocked its Cleveland

congregation. It was considered too heathenish! ☆ America gave the world its most Beloved Christ-

mas plant—the poinsettia. The plant is a native of tropical America.



☆ Bayberry candles, which are said to foretell good luck for the coming year if they burn bright at Christmas, were first made by early settlers in America. They dipped bayberry branches in wax and burned them during the holidays.

☆ The story is told that over a hundred years ago, a parish priest in Salzburg, Austria, returning late one night from administering last rites to a dying woman, was awed by the particular majesty of the still, sparkled-with-stars night; he went home, wrote the lovely, haunting words of "Silent Night, Holy Night." With his organist, Franz Gruber, playing the great music on his guitar, the Father, Joseph Mohr, first introduced the strains of this popular hymn to a small congregation in Austria.

a Spanish Indian miracle play

Los Pastores, a Spanish-Indian play, is given in Texas each year. It is given by every-day people who work for a living, and find time to act at odd hours.

The rehearsals take place secretly in someone's back yard . . . and the play is performed in someone's back yard, unpublicized, unheralded. The objective is that no one shall see the miracle play just from mere curiosity; spirituality is the raison d'être.

Introduced into Mexico by Spanish monks, it is given from Christmas to Candlemas by an amateur group gathered by invitation from house to house.

The scene: at one end of the yard an altar of wood covered with black sateen, the background for the manger scene. On the steps, the family's prize possessions, while above ceilings are decked with rose-entwined crepe paper. In the center of the lowest step is the Christ Child, a life-size doll, placed on a platter of colorful candies; nearby are creatures of the Manger, of odd sizes and shapes.

Opposite this scene, at the other end of the yard is a tent with volcanoes, devils, fire. From it "live devils" emerge.

ils are vanquished, and the shepherds kiss the Child. A wild Indian enters and a fight ensues. He is overcome, and he kisses the Child. Then all solemnly and slowly approach the

altar and pay respects to the Child. Candy and food are offered.

U.S. urges business to aid fight on alcoholism.

☆ A group of archaeologists discovered the name of Jesus carved before 70 A.D. among inscriptions on 11 early Christian burial urns found in a cave

☆ Kris Kringle is not a German term for Santa Claus. The name is a modification of "Kristkind," who according to German legend, is the Infant Jesus.

THE YULE LOG STORY

Remember those familiar scenes of men and horses pulling a freshly-cut log home o'er the snow from the forest? It was the Yule log, destined for a Christmas fireplace! It lighted up the house with a cheery glow, turned night into day, and made the holiday festivities so much gayer.

This custom, which is observed in many places, goes far back into pagan times, long before Christianity.

Our ancestors called it the Mid-Winter Fire Festival. It was held indoors because of the bad weather outside.

The Yule log, generally an oak tree, would be ceremoniously lighted from a fragment saved expressly for this purpose from the year before.

When the new log sent out its brilliant flames it was believed that the house and family would once again be protected against lightning and fires; that the cattle and grain fields would thrive, and all the earth would be fertile.

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Yule Cheer

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But let it whistle as it will,

We'll keep our Christmas merry still.

— Sir Walter Scott (1771-1832)



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Long ago, three kings offered gifts as gestures of goodwill. Please accept our gift . . . to wish you and your family a warm, wonderful Christmas. Thanks to all.



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Christmas Day In The Morning

As I sat on a sunny bank,
A sunny bank, a sunny bank,
As I sat on a sunny bank
On Christmas Day in the morning.

I saw three ships come sailing by,
Come sailing by, come sailing by,
I saw three ships come sailing by,
On Christmas Day in the morning.

And who d'you think were on the ship,
Were on the ship, were on the ship,
And who d'you think were on the ship
But Joseph and his Fair Lady.

O he did whistle and she did sing,
And all the bells on earth did ring
For joy our Savior Christ was born
On Christmas Day in the morning.

— Anonymous

Kissing Under Mistletoe

The word "mistletoe" derives from the Anglo-Saxon word "misteltan." It is a parasitic plant which grows on evergreen trees, with small yellowish-green leaves, yellowish flowers and waxy white, poisonous berries.

Under a sprig of mistletoe men are by custom privileged to kiss any women standing under it. The man is supposed to first remove one of the berries and present it to the woman. When all the berries are gone, this kissing game is over. It is thought this custom comes from an early pagan marriage rite.

Mistletoe was considered sacred by the Druids in ancient Britain and they performed elaborate ceremonies around it at the winter solstice. Because of these pagan associations, it is seldom used in church decorations.

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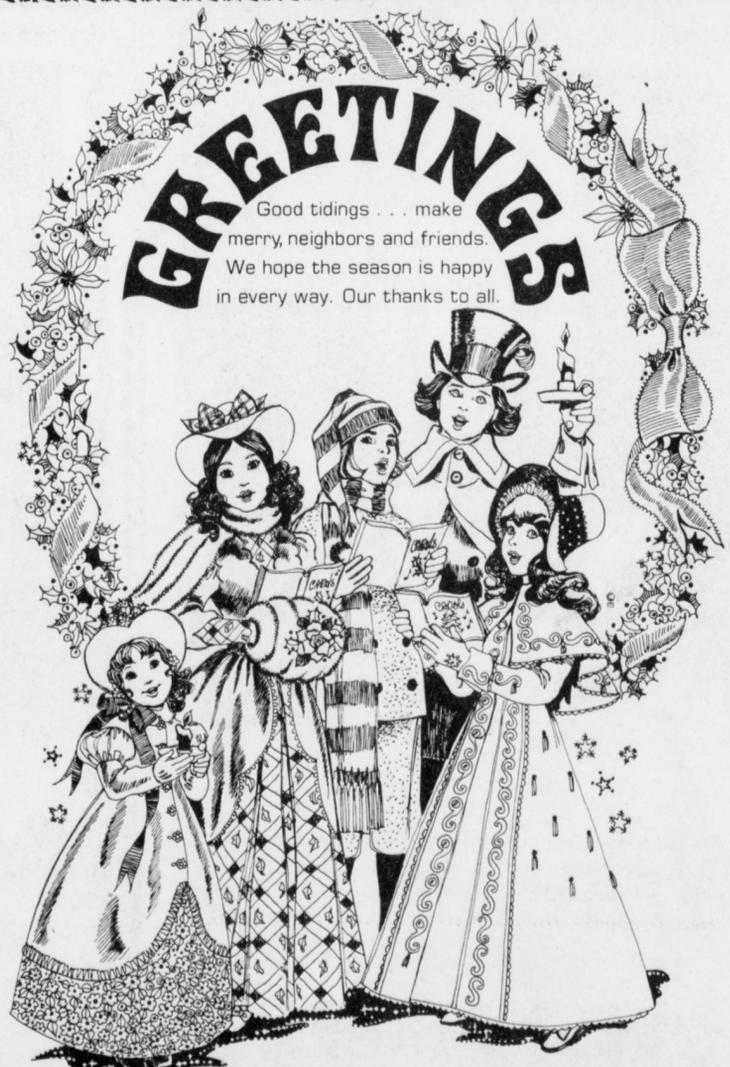
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When the play begins, a girl comes out, dressed as an angel, and recites. Then come shepherds, in pink coats with tinsel braid, a beaded valise over the shoulder, hung on broad red ribbon. The shepherds carry gaily ornate staves, and chant a song which goes on and on. Behind them, Ermitano, which as his name suggests, is a hermit; he is a comic character, and represents the good of the world, the soul on its earthly journey. Sometimes the Archangel Gabriel accompanies him.

Behind him come seven devils, six in sequined black and masks of animals, and then Satan in bright red; all wear sparklers in their caps.

There is no formal end to the performance. The dev-



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the legend of the woodman and the little stranger

Once upon a time, many years ago, there lived a woodman and his family in a little cottage deep in the forest.

When Christmas Eve came, the family sat down to a meagre meal, but their spirits were rich with gratitude that they had anything to eat, and a roof over their heads against the snow-storm raging outside. They

were grateful too, for the fire burning briskly in the grate.

As they were partaking of their thin soup there was a gentle knock on the door.

"Who, I wonder," said the woodman, "is coming to see us on such a bitter night?" But he opened the door, letting the snowflakes blow in. There stood a child, pale and tired and shivering in ragged clothes. The family quickly brought him in, put warm, dry clothes on him and gave him some hot soup and bread. Then the woodman's wife, a kindly soul, gently put him to bed on the cot where her son usually slept.

After a time the whole family went to bed. During the night they were awakened by the sound of singing, the most beautiful to fall on mortal ears, for when they looked out the window they saw it was coming from a choir of angels!

In the center of the choir stood the little boy, dressed in splendid robes, and around him a radiance which out-dazzled the white snow about him.

Awed by the spectacle,

the woodman and his family knew at once that the little visitor was the Christ Child, and bowed in reverence.

Joyous Bells!

One of the most joyous symbols of Christmas is the ringing of bells. The mellow, sweet-toned ones in church steeples and belfries have heralded the coming of Christmas since the Middle Ages.



In addition to the bells that ring with solemn grandeur from cathedral and churches there are the secular types that hail the pure joy of the occasion.

Christmas had become well established before bells became an important part of the celebration. The first large bell for a Christian church is said to have originated with a bishop in Italy, in the fifth century, A.D.

Church bells have called people to worship, they have told the time of day, they peal for weddings and toll for deaths, they have been rung to warn of enemies and disasters and to celebrate happy events of many varieties. But the high point of every year has been the ringing of church bells during the Christmas season. In England, especially, this became a tradition, during the Middle Ages. The joyful clangor started at vespers on the first Sunday in Advent, and repeated on the following Advent Sundays. On the three mornings before Christmas Day, happy peals were rung as a reminder. At sunset on December 24th and every hour thereafter until sunset on December 25th bells pealed joyously. On Christmas Day bells would be rung spontaneously, at any hour.

In the melodious tones of their church bells people believed they heard "the songs of the angels" on that first Christmas, so long ago.

Breaking a branch from a fir tree the Child set it in the ground, saying, "Because of your goodness to me, this branch will become a tree. It will always be green and will bear fruit at Christmas, and you will

always be blessed with plenty at that season."

And so, every Christmas after that, the woodman and his family enjoyed delicious fruit heaped high on their table, the gift of the Christ Child.

Religion Historian Urges that Xmas cards emphasize the Christ

A noted historian of the Southwest, an archivist of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of a city in the Far West, puts the blame of some of the world's disorders on the secular nature of many Christmas cards.

"Over two and one half billion cards are distributed annually in the United States. If more of them were religious and carried messages that would appeal to thoughtful, even non-religious adults, these cards would help bring peace on earth," he declares.

The priest exhibited one card, printed in Germany and mailed in New York

December 24, 1908, to a student of a Boston seminary, as an example of an attractive early Christmas card which also was religious.

The card, like an ordinary postcard, pictured a rather stylized angel with wings, a palm frond which perhaps was meant to symbolize peace on the order of an olive branch, and an upraised arm. Between the wings appeared the star of Bethlehem and the words, "in terra pax," or "peace on earth."

The angel, emerging from a cloud, was peering down upon a village, with the church the most prominent structure visible.

The historian pointed out that sending cards probably started in the early Victorian era. Sir Henry Cole, an art dealer and publisher, sent the first one, in 1843. It was a card designed by a well-known artist of the period, John Calcott.

a lovable legend, bringer of gifts

Throughout history, Santa Claus has had many names, many origins. He has as many personalities as fertile imaginations through the ages can dream up.

The symbol of Santa Claus and other magical bringers of gifts is infinitely variable. In Europe the chief gift-bringers are St. Nicholas on his saint's day, the 6th of December; his Anglo-American descendant is Santa Claus; in parts of Scandinavia dwarfs and goats take his place; there is the Christ Child of the German Xmas Eve; the white-robed girl Kolyada in pre-revolutionary Russia arrived by sleigh on Christmas Eve with attendant carol-singers; and the Epiphany gift-bearers associated with the Magi — such as the Befana of Italy, Babouschka of old Russia, and the Tres Reyes Magos of Spain — all parade down through the centuries with essentially the same function — to bring gifts to good little boys and girls.

Santa Claus himself is composed of many elements; he is half Saint Nicholas and half ancient yule god. St. Nicholas, the original, was a bishop of Myra in Asia Minor in the fourth century. He is supposed to have wrought miracles; certainly he was a good man. Many stories evolve from legends concerning the Bishop. One which is not as well known

is told which introduces his connection with children.

Three boys were murdered by an innkeeper, cut up, and the pieces preserved in barrels of vinegar. St. Nicholas found these truncations, fitted them together with a prayer, and brought the boys back to life. To our 20th century minds this may seem a most macabre way to begin a legend's association with children!

In Holland, St. Nicholas becomes Sante Klaas. The children put out a pair of shoes or clogs filled with hay, water and carrots for his white horse; these are placed before the fireplace, and the next morning the shoes are found filled with either sweets and little gifts — or, depending on

past behavior, birch rods:

Santa's arrival by chimney in America probably has an origin of antecedent significance. Hearth-gods and gods of the Yule-log went in and out by chimney — also witches, adherents of the old and earliest religion of the horned god only much later made into a satanic Christian devil-figure. (Shades of an exorcist!) These people used hallucinatory drugs and used ointments like belladonna that made them feel like they were flying.

So it seems that the jovial, genial fellow whom we know as St. Nick or Santa Claus has had his darker side, too. All very interesting, as is most history, if you dig deep enough.



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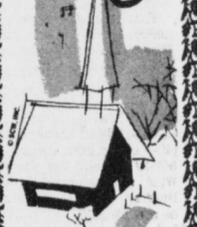
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Forestry experts and nurserymen point out that young, growing trees give off more oxygen and absorb more carbon dioxide than mature ones, so that the cultivation of Christmas trees actually helps the ecology. In contrast, they say, the manufacture of artificial trees uses up valuable energy and natural resources, which are not recoverable.

After Christmas, discarded trees can be used in various ways to benefit the environment. Even if you live in a city, ecologists suggest, you can help by getting in touch with a local conservation organization or commercial nursery.

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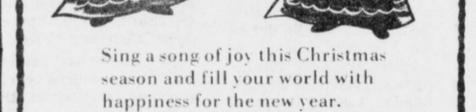


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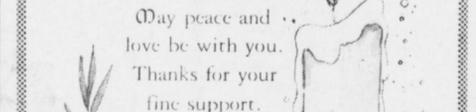
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Chapter 2 Verses 1 through 17

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.



And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house of lineage of David;) to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn

son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angels of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they

were sore afraid.



And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, . . . Glory

to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, . . . Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning the child.

White House press operation revised.

Yule Tree Began in Egypt

The Christmas tree, now almost a universal symbol, probably came to America from Germany, although tradition has it that Christmas trees originated in Egypt. The palm tree is supposed to put forth a branch every month, and a spray of this tree, with 12 shoots on it, was used in Egypt.

German writers mention the tree as early as 1605. The German prince Albert, consort of Queen Victoria, introduced the Christmas tree in England when he had a tree for his daughter.

the first Christmas music over fields of Bethlehem

Hymns and carols to celebrate the Child's birth have come down to us through the ages. Mortals from many different ethnic origins have expressed their love, awe, joy and praise, the music varying according to their particular culture and the customs of the day.

Certainly inspired, the beloved favorites still retain all their charm and appeal, probably because of their simplicity and sincerity which generations identify with, through the ages.



Carols are primarily folk-songs, even if motivated by religious impulse. As such, they are often in the popular vein, and some are even comically unrestrained.

Hymns, on the other hand, are songs of praise for God, according to St. Augustine. To quote the Saint, writing about hymns by St. Ambrose: "I wept at the beauty of thy hymns and canticles . . . the truth streamed into my heart; so that my feeling of devotion overflowed, and the tears ran from my eyes, and I was happy in them".

St. Ambrose, 340-397 A.D.



A Most Joyous Christmastime!



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Every century has contributed to the treasury of Christmas carols. From the earliest recorded hymns and carols of the 4th century to the late 19th century and the present time, the world is richer because of the many heart-felt, sincere expressions of devotion, joy and praise.

Veni, Redemptor, gentium

Candles Light the Way to Christmas

Long before the world knew Christ, man associated the light of the candle with spiritual longings. The Old Testament refers frequently to the candle as a symbol of spiritual light.



The Christians were quick to adopt the candle as a symbol especially suitable to their beliefs. Thus the candle is close to the heart of Christmas. It is a beloved tradition in many aspects: candles in the windows to light the coming of the Christ-Child on Christmas Eve; the Christmas candle-light service; candles on the Christmas tree for centuries, before they were replaced, for safety's sake, by electric bulbs.

And because Christ had referred to Himself as the Light of the World, and asserted that every Christian was a light, the Christians naturally placed candles on their altars to remind them of this teaching.

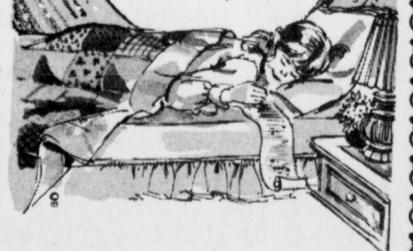


For the Medieval church, tradition dictated that candles be made of beeswax. This idea had its origin in the belief that bees came to earth direct from heaven. Throughout the Middle Ages it was common to keep swarms of bees at religious establishments.

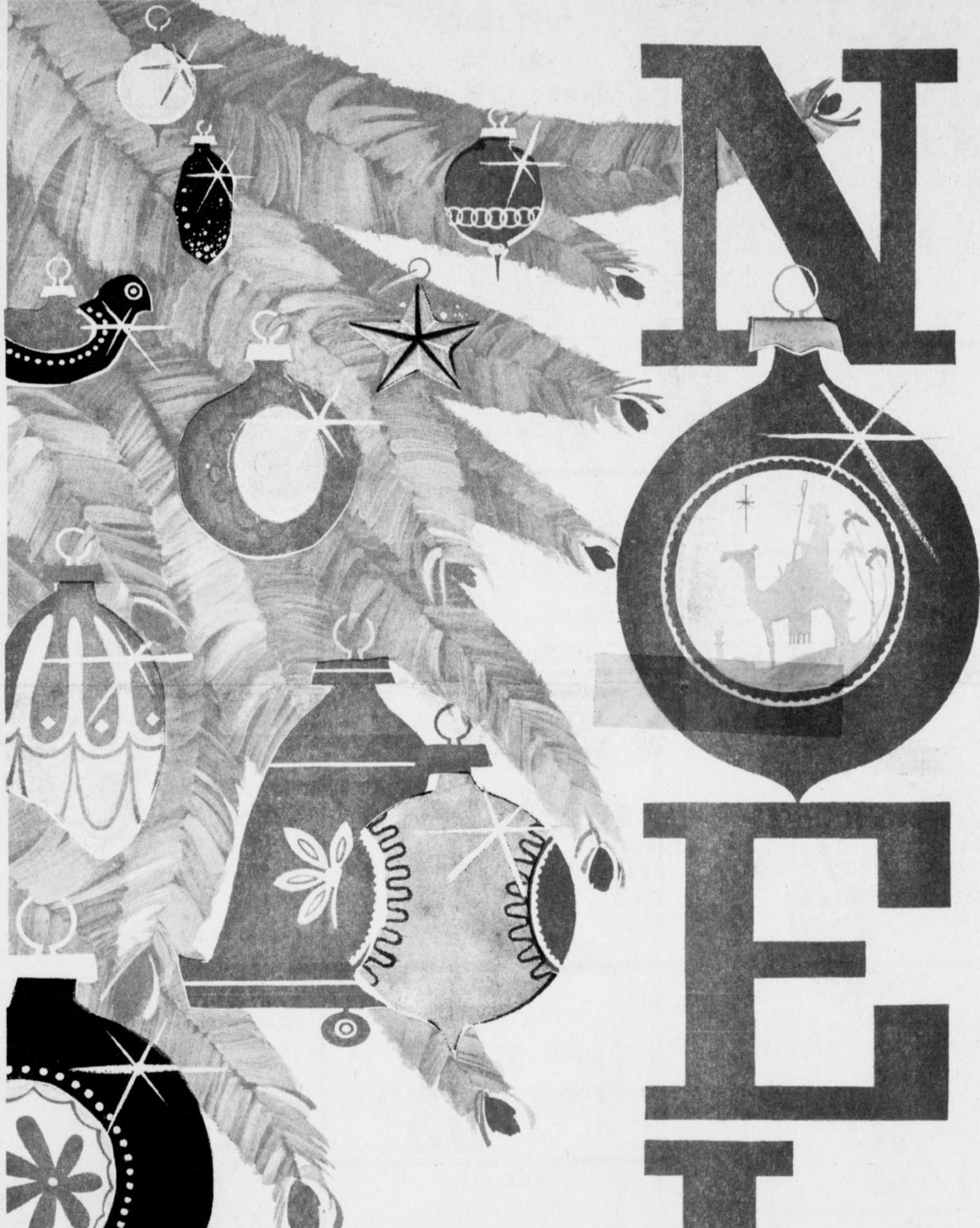
Candlemas Day, still observed in some churches on February 2, was instituted in the 11th century. On that day, candles were blessed and Scripture was read describing the candle as the symbol of the Christian's love for the Christ that dwells within him.

CHRISTMAS WISHES

We wish you sweet dreams and happy thoughts in anticipation of this warm holiday. Thanks.



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We hope the holidays ring in the best of everything for you! At this joyous time, we'd like to take the opportunity to thank you for your loyal patronage throughout the past year—we look forward to serving you again in the years to come.

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Italy Celebrates Religious Christmas Festivities Representing Many Origins

The celebration of Christmas in Italy, perhaps more than in any other country, illustrates the multiple origins of the festivities we observe in modern times.

Christmas in Italy is primarily a religious festival, highlighted by the Christmas Novena, a series of church services on nine

nights preceding Christmas and culminating in a Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve.

A feature of the observance is the display, usually from Christmas Eve to Epiphany (January 6th) of the creche or Persepio (the word means manger or stable), a Nativity scene

with more or less elaborate landscaping and figures of sheep, cattle, and shepherds, as well as Mary, Joseph and the Christ Child. At Epiphany, figures of the Three Kings with their retinues, bringing gifts to the Child, are added.

These Nativity scenes originated in the thirteenth

century with Saint Francis of Assisi, who decided to make the Christmas Eve Mass a re-enactment of the birth of Christ, and for many centuries they remained essentially an ecclesiastical presentation, with local churches vying for the most decorative creche. In more recent times, Nativity scenes have moved into private homes as well.

In the early years of the Christian faith, persecution made public observation of Christmas impractical, and it was not until several hundred years had passed that the birth of Christ was given an official date for celebration. It is by no means certain that December 25th is the actual anniversary of the birth of Jesus, but it was an appropriate date for the observance. It coincided with the Winter Solstice celebrations of long standing throughout the northern world, with the Roman Saturnalia, and

with the Jewish Hannukah, Festival of Lights, providing a firm historical base, familiar to everyone in the then-known world, for a major festival.

EARLY CUSTOMS
It is not surprising, therefore, that many customs derived from earlier celebrations have become a part of the Christmas observance in Italy. The coming of the Winter Solstice, marking the beginning of longer days, was observed in pre-Christian times by the decoration of houses with greens, and this custom, taking on added signifi-

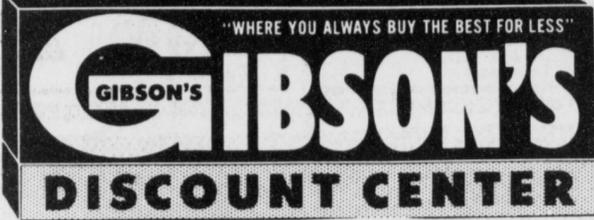
ficance as a symbol of the rebirth of hope in the coming of Christ, is observed in Italy with sprigs of holly and mistletoe. Similarly, the seasonal giving of gifts, already traditional in the Roman custom of giving branches picked in the grove of the goddess Strenia was appropriately converted to the giving of "Strenne," Christmas or New Year's presents, following the later tradition of the gifts of the Magi to the Christ-Child and symbolizing the gifts to mankind brought by Jesus' birth.

CHRISTMAS TREE ORIGIN
The Christmas tree, which originated in Germany, has come slowly into popularity in Italy, especially in the north, but it had its forerunner, especially around Florence, in the Ceppi, or Christmas pyramids, composed of shelves

of various sizes fixed to a pole. (The word "ceppo" means tree trunk and, by usage, a Christmas gift.) On the shelves were placed decorations of greens and small toys and presents. It is possible that the ceppo may have been a replacement for the Yule log. But the burning of the Yule log, another custom of pre-Christian origin, is not unknown in Italy, where there is the pleasant legend that the Virgin Mary enters the homes of the humble at midnight, when the household is at Mass to warm her newborn Child before the blazing log.

ITALY FOCAL POINT
The fact that Italy contained the capital of the Roman world and, as a logical result, the headquarters of the Christian Church, has given Christmas in Italy a particularly rich observance.

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Letters to 'Santa' Overflow Mailbox

There's something special about Santa Claus in a small southern Indiana town where the famous Christmas legend has become somewhat of an everyday reality.
This town with a population of about 300 year-round residents, and a family of deer, is the jolly reindeer's namesake home — Santa Claus, Indiana — as well as the home of his helpers, and the location of his overflowing mailbox.
A unique landmark at Santa Claus is the U.S. Post Office near the intersection of Indiana highways 162 and 245, and next to the entrance to Santa Claus Land.
There is nowhere in the world where you can find a post office like this one. Its architecture is that of a stone-fronted, fairyland castle in design and while the community has but slightly more than 300 year-round residents this post office each year is flooded with about four million pieces of mail. The bulk of all this mail comes around Christmas time to receive the cherished Santa Claus

postmark. Still others arrive addressed simply to "Santa Claus, 47579."
Letters addressed to "Santa Claus" represent the tens of thousands of children's "want lists" that foretell visions of Christmas morning, promise cookies and milk, and extend best wishes to Santa, Mrs. Claus, and Rudolph, and to the delight of children everywhere, all of these letters receive an answer from Santa Claus.
This unique practice dates back to the late 1920s when Robert L. Ripley popularized the town by featuring it in an article in his "Believe It Or Not" column. After the article appeared, mail began to mushroom, especially letters addressed to "Santa Claus."
Tourists with children also start to arrive and make visits to the post office with their Christmas mail, following in the steps of Ripley who also sent his Christmas cards through the office here as proof that there was indeed a Santa Claus — as verified by the postmark. For over 40 years, children have met Santa himself, played by Raymond Joseph "Jim" Yellig.

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May the spiritual blessings of the season be bestowed on you and yours.
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ST. NICK RESTORED
When Queen Victoria, married German Prince Albert, Christmas visits of St. Nicholas (and the gift-giving) came back to England, three centuries after Henry VIII had banned the traditions when he broke away from the Catholic faith and formed the Church of England.
POPE'S YULE INSTRUCTIONS
Pope Gregory I in his instructions to missionaries on Christmas festivities sent out from Rome in the year 601: "The people should celebrate a religious feast and worship God by their feasting, so that still keeping outward pleasures, they may more readily receive spiritual joys."

Christmas Blessings

WESTERN DRUG



Muleshoe Texas
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa
Some people don't believe in you. They say there's not a Santa Claus. And a nother thing they say it just baby stuff. But I don't care what they say because I do believe in you. And I hope you bring me a 3 speed bike. That's all I want and I'll leave out some cookies and milk on the table. And I am in the 5th grade.
Your Friend,
Gracie Garcia

Muleshoe Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa
How are you doing? As for me I am doing fine. I hope you get me a motorcycle. It is almost Christmas and I hope you can make your reindeer fly from the North Pole at the way to Muleshoe. I may be fuffy so better take Rudolph with you. Have a Merry Christmas.
Your friend
Stevie Orozco
5th grade

Dear Santa Claus,
I love you-I want a Baby Alive, and a lunch box and thats all.
Love
Mechelle Armstrong

Dear Santa Claus,
Hi-I want some roller skates, a Berty Bird, a loader truck, cow truck, and some guns and record player and records.
Love
Cavin Jacobs

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a baby doll, a bike and thats all.
Love

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a T.V. and a baby doll and a bed and a bike and

a present for my baby.
Love
Amanda Cortez
Muleshoe, Texas
Dear Mr. Santa,
I want a ten speed bike and a typewriter and some books, Daisey Books and I like a tv-a little tv, and I like to have something to wear like some colthing to wear like some shoes and some socks and a pack of candy So I can eat any t me I want to the candy I like is choatect. I am in the 5th grade So I wish you being all the thing I order you to. Have a Merry Christsm Santa Claus So that all I have to say
Your Friend
Graviel

Muleshoe Texas
Dec, 17, 1974
Dear St. Claus,
I hope its not to cold for rudolph and the rest of the Deers. I hope you bring me a football and a model airplane, and the rest I will let you give it to my little brother.
Your friend,
Joe Don

Muleshoe, Texas
Dec, 13, 1974
Dear Mr. Claus,
I have been a pretty good girl. But I don't want much for Christmas. I really just want what ever under the tree at Christmas. I do want a clock a back and white one if possible. I will be at my grans for Christmas.
If you will wake me up I will fix you some hotchocolate or milk and some cookies or a piece of my grandmothers pie or cake. I'm in the 5th grade Tell Miss Claus Hello.
Your Friend,
Terrie Martin

Muleshoe Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa,
How are you? I am just fine How is Mrs. Santa? I hope you and her are doing very well. You know it is verry close to Christmas and I hope you can bring Witch, Witch, Twister, a Radio and T.V. magic set. I know this will be a verry nice Christmas. Do you know what I could get my daddy for christmas for me?
Well I have to go and I hope you and Mrs. Santa have a verry

nice Christmas, I am in the fifth grade. Merry Christmas,
Your Friend
Delia Shaw

Muleshoe Texas 79347
R.T. 3 Box 202
Dec. 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
How our you? I've been fine My little baby sister name is Lisa won't go to you but she vave cause this is her second Christmas and she been scratching me on my hand but it heel. She is only two years old and Mom says when she gets big she'll beat us up and then I can't get her then. Now a little about me I'am in 5th grade. My teacher name is Killingworth and She is nice. Oh yeh o I almost forgot My brother name Willie Joe he is in 4th grade in Miss Pierce

Muleshoe Tex.
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I am fine. I am in the 5th. I hope that you can see me this year. I will tier to leve the door unlock for you, I will leve some milk and a pier of cake for you that night on the coffer table. Now I want a 20 gauge pump, a air hockey, and a phoose ball table thats all want this christmas.
Your frind,

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wants a watch and me Nettie Ruth He wanted it last year and we didn't get it and my sister name Lisa want a doll that squeeze and My brother Therman wants battle ships and Thersa wants knit Magic.
Your friend
Nettie Ruth Coleman

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Ricky Lee Vaughn
Muleshoe Texas
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Dear Santa
Here I find myself writing you these few lines just to tell you how I've been a pretty bad girl and a nice one too. So I don't want too much for Christmas. All I want is a stereo, some big round earrings, a necklase that says Alice and some perfume that's all I want for Christmas. Well I guess I'll close my letter till then Santa
Your Friend,
Mary Alice Orozco

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name is Mrs. Killinsworth she is nice to me. I like you, I like Rudolph too. I am going to see him in tv today. My mother says to me if I want an anual or a 3- speed bike for Christmas. But I don't know what to say because I want both. Will you please bring me a 3-speed bike? And then my mother can buy me the anual book. Then I will have both the anual and the 3- speed bike. mr. Claus I also want a watch. I think this will be all I want from you, and Thank-You if you bring it. If you want to bring it to me my address is R.T. 2 Box 273. I'll be waiting for you,
Your Friend,
Mergie Castillo

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year. Please bring me a trampoline and a Winnie the Pooh movie Viewer and a Bitty Beas Do'l. Please bring Debbie and Courtney some toys, too. I love you Santa Claus very much.
Jana Brown

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Your Friend,
Terrie Martin

My name is Lisa Black and I have been a pretty good girl this year, and I have also been good at school.
I would like for you to bring me a new bike, with training wheels and a baby alive.
Thank you
Lisa Black

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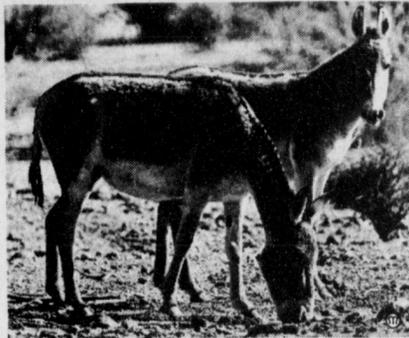
Biblical Group of Domestic Animals Present at the Stable in Bethlehem

Scientists have established that domestication of animals first began in the Holy Land several thousand years before the birth of Christ.

The ox, ass, camel and sheep are known as the biblical quartet of animals because of their frequent mention throughout the Old and New Testaments.

All of these were probably present in the stable when

Christ was born. Oxen, when mentioned in



ANIMAL FROM ISRAELI BIBLICAL ZOO, THE PERSIAN ONAGER IS A RARE BREED OF WILD ASS, WHICH, IT IS BELIEVED, JESUS RODE INTO JERUSALEM ON PALM SUNDAY. Photo MICHA BAR-AM

the Bible may refer to bullocks, bulls, cows, heifers or calves, all of which belong to the Bovidae family. The bullock was the young male ox; bulls were male cattle; heifers were young female cows; the ox was a castrated male bovine. The ox, whose name is synonymous with physical strength, probably originated in Asia and appears to have been the first domesticated animal owned by families in the Holy Land. He was used for heavy farm work. Even the poorest family owned at least one ox. The word "cattle" originally meant "possessions" in Hebrew and included flocks of sheep, goats and other herded animals.

The Donkey, A Family Favorite

The donkey, or ass, was the most valuable animal to the biblical family, and also the most economical, since he ate only a quarter as much barley as a horse. The most menial of animals, he was famous for his stamina and sure-footedness. Humble as his status was, he would bear the cameler on his back, and lead the long, stately strings of camels across the desert. Even poor families, like Joseph's of Nazareth, could afford one donkey.

which they trimmed with blue beads and red wool to show their pride of ownership. This simple beast was their mode of transport into Bethlehem and later for the Flight into Egypt.

The Bible Gives Sheep Deep Significance

Authorities disagree as to what kind of sheep existed at the time of Christ. Three varieties exist in Syria and Palestine today, sprung from the three wild sheep groups still found in Asia.

(1) The Asiatic mouflon, depicted on Sumerian vases from early Babylonia, supposed to have been domesticated around 3,000 B.C.

(2) The Egyptian, long-tailed sheep are related to an ancient breed grown in the Ural mountains, long considered the boundary line which separates Asia from Europe.

(3) The large, broad-tailed, curly-horned, creamy, deep-wooled sheep, that appear in so many biblical illustrations, came from Kurdistan at the head of the Tigris-Euphrates valley, which was the cradle of biblical civilization.

Wild grapes, wild wheat, wild asses and wild sheep grow in these Mesopotamian highlands today. People can still live here, near Mt. Ara-

rat with almost no effort and some theologians feel that the site of The Garden of Eden may well have been located in this area.

In Bible times, every Palestinian family bought two lambs at Passover time. They killed one to eat at the feast celebrating their safe exodus from Egyptian bondage. The other, they kept as a pet for their children and as a future source of wool for their looms and food for their table. The lamb slept with the children, ate juicy grasses from their hands and drank from their cup. When the animal became full grown, they killed it and put down its meat for the winter, storing it in the sweet fat from its tail. The tail, which sometimes weighed as much as thirty pounds, was a real burden to the animal.

The purity, meekness and loyalty of the sheep for its shepherd inspired writers to refer to Jesus as "The Lamb of God."

The shepherds found compensation for their loneliness in this loyal love from their sheep and in the peace and beauty of the pastoral surroundings, whose revivifying seasons they knew intimately, and in the music of their homemade pipes, to which they sometimes trained their frisky goats to dance.

Goats Also on the Domestic Scene

Practically every family in Bible times owned at least one goat. A family could get almost their whole livelihood from the products of a goat. From goat hair, tent and garment cloth, curtains and pillows were made (1 Samuel 19:13). Water bags, a vital necessity in these desert areas, were made of goatskin. Food products included milk, cheese and meat. Even the horns of the bearded goats were used.

The nimble, little goats of Bible times belonged to the Caprinae section of the

large Bovidae family, which included oxen, antelopes, sheep and goats. Goats and sheep are closely related but the male goat is bearded, while the ram is not. A goat's horns differ from a ram's, and his odor is stronger.

Frisky goats were compared to wicked people, and obedient sheep to gentle folk. From this we get Christ's parable of the final distinction between good and evil: "He shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats." (Matthew 25:32)

People would choose a goat from the flock by drawing lots, then turn it loose in the wilderness to die, because they believed they could impose their sins and misdeeds on the goat and its death would redeem them. This goat was called a "scapegoat."

Camels Are Most Picturesque of Bible Animals

Camels and Christmas seem to go together. The Three Wise Men used camels in their stately journey to Bethlehem to the scene of the Nativity. They have a rather regal bearing that has become an integral part of the Christmas picture.

The camel sees objects at great distances and scents water long before the driver spots an oasis. A great asset in desert travel is its "extra stomach" and a storage bin in the hump which enable it to travel long distances without food or water. The camel is also known for its snarly temper and foul breath.

The camel's gestation period lasts a year, and produces only one offspring at a time. The baby camel stands 3 feet high at 8 days. It suckles its mother's milk for a year.

Many valuable products come from the camel. Its hair is clipped in the summer and woven into the finest warm garments. Its hide is used for bags and shoes. Its manure is used for fuel cakes. For food, it supplies milk.

Israeli Project Creates Biblical Zoo

A grassy 10,000 acres in the Negev, 25 miles from Eilat, has been transformed into a veritable "Noah's Park" called the Hal Bar which, in Hebrew, means wild life preserve. Breeding herds of most of the 120 animals mentioned in the Bible have been collected and pastured here.

Decorator Icing

2 cups confectioner's sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 egg whites
Food coloring

Beat egg whites until stiff. Gradually beat in sifted confectioner's sugar. To add food coloring, divide into individual bowls. Add coloring to each bowl until correct shade is obtained. Spread with knife or use decorator tubes or "paint" on with paint brush.

Egg Yolk "Paint"

2 egg yolks plus food color
Apply with paint brush.

Merry Christmas and Thank You

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"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also"



LET'S NOT FORGET THIS...

"And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins." Matthew 1:21.

For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

"For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved." John 3:16, 17.

We invite you to celebrate the birth of our Saviour by attending church this week, and by spreading good will everywhere you go.

The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.

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Peace on Earth

This Holy Season...

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Christmas Greetings

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Dear Santa

Mary De Shazo
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Doll that talks and walks and some barbies with clothes and a game to play and a middle size bike.
Your friend,
Rupert
Mary De Shazo School

Muleshoe Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Barbie doll set and some coloring books. I would also want a talking doll. But most of all I want a bicycle for Christmas.
Your friend
Connie Hernandez

Mary De Shazo School
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa,
I want a knit magic, And a ragady andy, And a mod hair Ken, And a quick curl Barbie. And a teddy bear, Boot roller skates, And two troll dolls.
Love,
Melissa
Mary De Shazo School

Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa,
I want a Cathy qui Curl and a Baby Alive. And thats all?
Your friend,
Kim

Mary De Shazo School
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear San'a Claus,
guess who this is, Well! I guess you don't know me I'll tell you what my name is my name is Suzette Rojas. Guess what I want, Well I'll tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a baton and a game called spirograph game and I want some dolls and a doll house for the dolls. I hope you can get it for me. And my

brother wants some boxing shoes for christmas I hope you can get it for him too,
from your friend
Suzette Rojas
Love, always

Dear Santa,
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Cathy Quick Curl doll, a watch, and a Barbie Camper, a view master.

Thank you,
Merry Christmas
Melissa
McCormick

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bow and arrow set, a road grader a gun set and a rock-em sock-em Robots, and a guitar, and a view master.

Thank you,
Merry Christmas
Scott
McCormick

Dear Santa,
Please sent me a Baby Storking a rocking horse, a Merry-Go-Around pony parade and a musical radio.

Thank you
Tasha McCormick

Dear Santa,
I a 5 years old now and have been a good little girl this year.

For Christmas I would like you to bring me a big read bean bag, a doll stroller, and an ice bird and some fruits, candy and nuts.

Don't forget my sisters, Cal and Babs.
I love you,
Sue Michele Haire

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the note I got in the mail from you.

I try to be a good boy, and please bring me an operation game and his nose blinks, Bring my Daddy a new walking cane cause his foot is hurt, bring Mom a new dress, I LOVE YOU SANTA. Don't forget the other boys and girls, Please visit Mechelle and Stevie.

Have you got operation? I want a football cap for Dallas Cowboys.
I LOVE YOUR LITTLE ELVES,
Scott

Dear Santa,
Hi! are you about ready for your big flight? I sure am in a hurry for your visit. I wish you would bring me an Evil Knievel cycle and stadium a set of drums. Thank you, Lots of Love
always
Terry Blaine Baker

Three Way News
By Mrs. H.W. Garvin

Mrs. Beadie Powell spent part of last week visiting Mrs. Dess Stafford in Lubbock.

Rev. and Mrs. James Gillelentine from Lubbock spent Friday night with her parents, the H. W. Garvin's.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Dupler went to A&M Friday to see their son, Jackie graduate Saturday morning and to help Jackie and family move to Monahan where Jackie will work for Texas Electric.

Fred Kelley is a medical patient in Cochran Memorial Hospital in Morton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reeves and children from Maple and Mrs. Bill Davis and girls from Lubbock visited the D.S.Fowler's Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nipps from Slaton spent Saturday night with the George Tyson's.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Huff were in Lubbock Thursday and Friday to be with a nephew who lost a son. Huff held grave side services for the little boy Friday in Lubbock.

Rev. and Mrs. Bob Stone visited in the H.W. Garvin home Sunday afternoon.

Three high school basketball teams played in the Whitharral tournament the past weekend with Three Way boys getting beat out, but Three Way girls won consolation.

The Dutch Powell home was the scene Tuesday afternoon of a bridal shower honoring Mrs. Bennie Martin nee Cheryl Abbe. The new bride received many gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Furgeson were in Lubbock shopping last Wednesday.

ON CUBAN RELATIONS

Two Senators, Jacob K. Javits, (R-NY), and Claiborne Pell, (D-RI), just returned from a visit with Fidel Castro reported normal relations with Cuba are a long way off but that both nations could take some small steps in that direction.

**** Crow and Miss Taressa Crow from Morton were dinner guests in the Dutch Powell's home Sunday to celebrate Mrs. Vinson's birthday.



Christmas Greetings

May your Christmas star lead you to a richer, happier life: warm with love, bright with joy, secure in peace. We take this opportunity to thank you for being such good friends. We're grateful for your goodwill and loyal patronage.



Merry Christmas



Gather 'round the tree for song . . . laughter.
Rekindle friendships . . . extend good tidings to all.
To our loyal patrons greetings and thanks.

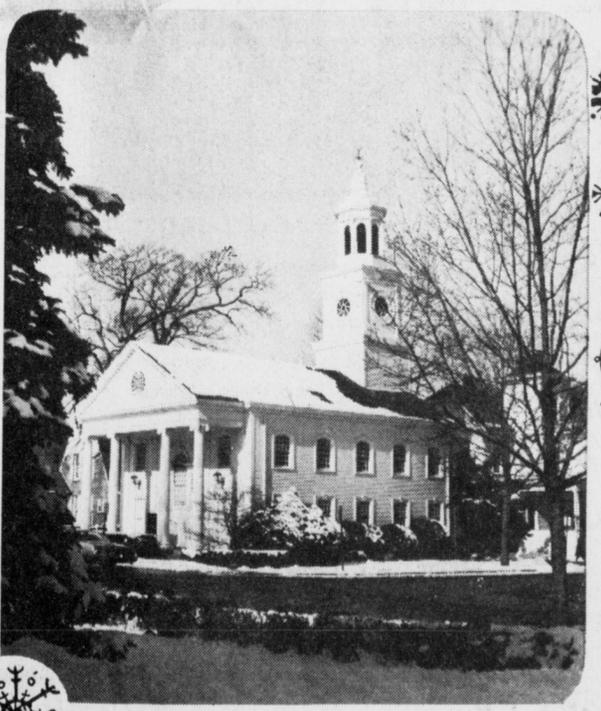
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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Rejoice! It's Christmas. During this holiday of heart warming thoughts we wish you peace and happiness.



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Greetings

We wish you all the joy the season has to give. Peace. Happiness. Contentment. May they be yours to remember warmly for many a Christmas. Our heartfelt gratitude.

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Dear Santa;

218 Est 4th
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 12, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a big wheel with

brakes Santa Claus, I want a
Evil Cunevil and will you write
me back. Santa Claus if you are
real please write me back, I
want a watch
Your friend,
Eddie Perez

415 Esat 15 Street
Muleshoe, Texas 79347

December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I wish I had a Racing Bike,
a Bee Bee Gun, a Poster of
you,
TV Magic Cards, a Sleeping
Bag a Football, a Game a
Basketball, a Truck a Pool
game, a evol Cunevil, a Swim-

ming Pool.
Your friend,
Mike
323 Avenue
Muleshoe Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa,
I've been a good girl. I would
like to have a Stuffed Cat to
sit on my bed, a Doll, a Cas-
per colorbook, Annette, a Snap
Bowling game, basketball, a
ping pong game, and a Barbie.
Your friend,
Carla Edwards.

311 East Street
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I wish I had a three speed
bike, a big truck, Guns, a watch,
and Evil Cunevil cycle, for
Christmas.
Your friend,
Danny Mendoza

1602 Avenue C
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Unicycle and a
Snap Bowling game, for Christ-
mas.
I want a Gruble Ruble roar
game. I probably won't see
you on Christmas. I guess I
better go now.
Your friend,
Keisha Johson

R.R. 3 Box 201
Muleshoe, Texas 79447
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa,
I want a Trampoline, Bee-
Bee gun, and a drum. I love
you Santa Claus.
Your friend,
Micheal

1011 West 2nd
Muleshoe, Texas, 79347
December, 13 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a T.V. Watch, Bee
bee gun, football and basket-
ball.
Your friend,
Craig Hunt

723 West 7th street
Muleshoe, Texas
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Barbie Doll Town
House with a Barbie Doll. It's
nice to write to you because
I love you good-by.
Your girl,
Angela Ellis

38 East 400 street
Muleshoe, Texas, 79347
December 12, 19-
Dear Claus,
I have ben a good girl and
you know what I want, I want
for Christmas a real big thing
do you know what it's going to
be a big house in the farm,
And I want a trompeline, And
a tyewriter and Tv magic set.
Your girl,
Mari

302 West 14 Street
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want to have a happy Christ-
mas, I want a bunkbed, a kitchen
set, a table, a playhouse, a
T.V, a furniture set, and Sun
shine family.
Love,
Beatrice

R 2
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Football, a truck
a camper, some TV magi
cards, and a Mountain-mine.
Well I guess that's all for
now, I love you.
Your friend,
Darin

514 Esat 17 street
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 12, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl this
year Santa. I want a Bike, a
Doll, a kitten, a puppy, a shiny
faily, a Barby doll, a Ball,
a magge cards, a Tv, for my
Mother, a car, for my father
that for Christmas thats all for
Christmas.
Your friend,
Maria Hernandez

414 W. America Bv.
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 12, 19-
Dear Santa Claus,
I've been a good girl this
year Santa.
I want a big clock for my mother.
I want a Tv for my room and
a big Tv for my two brother.
Bring a box of shoes for my
ant.

year friend,
Delma Garcia
Muleshoe Texas
December 11, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Bee Bee gun and a
ten speed Bike and a football
some toys for my brothers.
Your friend,
Martin Olivas

Muleshoe TEXAS
December 13, 1974,
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike for me and a
footdoll, and a Bee Bee gun
and a big clock for my mother
and a big tv for my brother,
and I want a Clook for me,
a and a toy for my Little
brothen.
Your friendes
Eloy Mendoza

Rt. 2, Box, 71
Muleshoe, Tx, 79347
Dec. 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Cinderella
watch. And a Fairy Princess
cost. Ballerina Bridal Outf.
Knitmagie.
Your friend
Trina Seales

Rt. 2
Muleshoe, Tex. 79347
Dec. 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
Santa I want you to bring
me the walkie-talkie and the
thank I wanted all year long is
a Mickey Mouse watch.
The good thang your own folk
guitar and Snoopy View Master.
The fun Rock'em Sock'em Rob-
ots, and Frosty snow cones.
The prettiest thang is knights
and viking.
Your Friend
Johnny, Pacheco

Mary DeShazo School
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a bicy-
cle and Barbie Beach Bus.
My name is Gracie Garza.
I Love You Santa Claus.
Your friend is
Gracis, Garza
Marry Christmas.

Mary De shazo school
Muleshoe, Texas
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like Evil Knievel
stunt car. This year.

Your friend,
Louis
Mary DeShazo School
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Nancy Nonsense
for Christmas this year, And
a Barbie friend Ship also.
Thank you
Your friend,
Melissa Wagnon

Mery DeShazo School
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
For christmas I want a doll.
and a ded for my cat, and
clothes for my dardie, and shoes
for my dardie,
your friend,
Terri Wedd

Mary DeShazo
School
Muleshoe, Texas, 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Diane, for christ-
mas I want a Barbie Beach Bus,
and a organ, and a mouse trap,
and a Evil Knievel, for my mean
brother.
Love
Diane

Mary DeShazo
School Muleshoe,
Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa
I would like a Evil Knievel
ok Santa,
Love
Robert

Mary DeShazo School
Muleshoe Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a Kawasaki
90, and a pootball for the family.
Love Micky.

Mary DeShazo School
Muleshoe, texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa,
I would like to have a piano
or a organ for Christmas this
year. will by the way how
is Mrs. Santa I am doing fine.
We have 26 in our class room,
and I have 6 in my family,
and my bests freind is Kathy
and Kelly and Dana, I'm going
to sequine, and I wish you a
Merry Christmas.

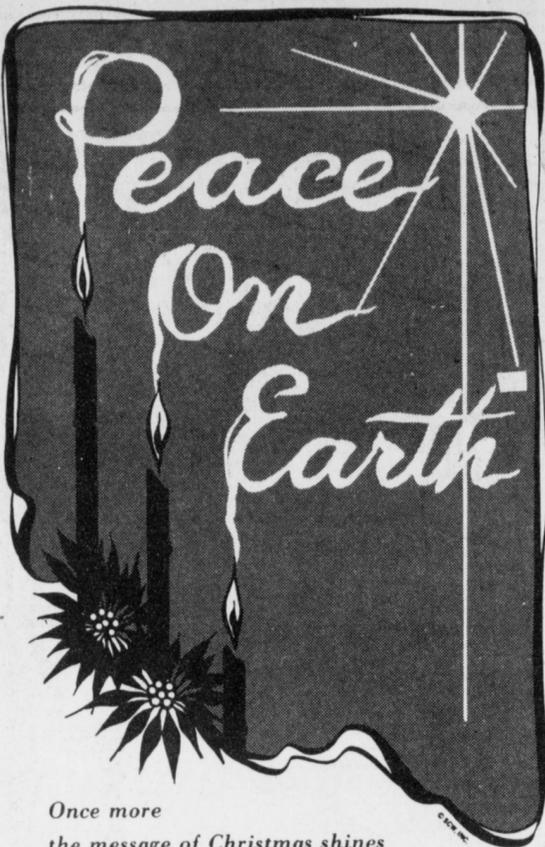
Love
Christine
Mary DeShazo School
Muleshoe, tx, 79347
December
Dear Santa Claus,
Here is what I whant, A Cathy
Quick-Curl and a Barbie, And
That is all for Now.
Love
KimFried

Mary DeShazo School
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a bike,
and boat and fish and booh and
a toy hook and mini bike, And
cat and a bog and deer for
Christmas,
have a nice year
from Lance

Mary De shazo
Muleshoe Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Evil knievel
stunt cycle, With the two cars
with the headlights.
Love Roger

Mary De Shazo School
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear sant Claus,
What I want for Christmas
is a Cathy Cuck-Curl and a
bicycle, And a piano, And ear-
rings, Some don't belive in you
But I belive in you Santa claus,
Bring my sisters and, My mo-
ther and fater Something for
Christmas, And I want a Easy
Bake oven.
This year
Your friend
Lupe Martinez

Mary DeShazo School
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a house
and a Barbie Beach Bus and
a Cathy Quick Curl and a piano
for My Mother, for Christmas
Easy Bake Oven this year
Your friend
Diana Ramos
Dear Santa Claus,
A Baby Doll, and that's all.
Love
Diana Toscano



Once more
the message of Christmas shines
in men's hearts... "Peace on earth, good
will toward men!" Our sincere hope is that
this holy season may find a world at peace.

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Merry Christmas

May the serenity of Christmas find and keep you
content. May every day of this joyful season be filled with
joy . . . abundant in peace . . . rich in brotherhood. To
all the cherished patrons we serve . . . our warmest gratitude.

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

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It's that time of the year again! May your home be filled
with old-fashioned holiday cheer at Christmastime...and your
hearts filled with the joy of greeting friends and being with
loved ones. Best wishes from the folks at

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Dear Santa

605 E. 3rd St.
Muleshoe, Tex 79347
Dear Mr. Claus,
I wondered if you could bring me a pool table and a walkie talkie. I wondered if you could bring me them. I want a Mon-goose and snake set and a our finest erecter set. I want a motor cycle and a Human Skel-eton and a fly turns road race. Thank you Mr. Claus.
Love
Gilbert, Y.

416 W.st. 7th
Muleshoe, Tex. 79347
Dec. 13, 1974
Dear St. Nickolaus,
I want an Evel Knevel motor cycle jump set. And a Evel Knevel Van, Evel Knevel car, Evel Knevel, Walky talky and walky talky station, Motor cycle helmet, and a Our finest erect-or set a sciece set. A spce telescope a skel flying turn race and last gold engratrace.
love
terry

307 East 3rd
Muleshoe, Tex 79347

Dec. 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
Dear Santa me and all of my friends have been nice. I want a stunt cycle and a Evel Knevel cycle and Eevels crash car. I want a pellet fun for Christ-mas.
Your friend
Jessie

116 E. Ave. 1
Muleshoe, Tex 79347
Dec 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a game called oper-ation and light bright.
I was going to your little house but we went Christmas shopping in clovis, that's all I wanted to say. Say bye to your elves.
Love
Ernestina

914 S, 1st
Muleshoe, Tex. 79347
December 13, 1974

Dear Santa,
Please get me a doll and house. Please! do not forget my mixer, and lond dress, and pant suit, and mickie mouse bubble gum machine, and lots of candy.
Please,
Your frind,
Michelle

1803 W. Avs. G
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
Dec. 13, 1974

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a 7up machine I also would like a Cathy Guilc Quil and a trampoline.
I wish I could have a snow

White wach,
I want a snow cone machine to.
My little brother wants a real gun and real bullets but he knows he can't have it.
Love
Candy

Box 274
Muleshoe, Tex. 79347
December 13, 1974
Dear Santa,
I would like a Cathy quick curl doll and a real electric sewing machine, for Christmas. Shane would like a tractor and G.I. Joe and a Gi Joe's jeep for Christmas.
Love,
Deena Burris

Route 5 Box 60
Muleshoe, Tex 79347
Dec. 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a barbey. I want a light bright. I would like tipe-a-writer. I want Show-a-Tell phono-view-ers, I would like record-player, I want some moocosin, I would like a Famous Talk, I want a barby set.
Your Truly
love
Mary Ann

Rt. 2, Box 259-A
Muleshoe, Tex. 79347
December 3, 1974

Dear Santa Claus,
Santa I am writing you these few lines to say hello. Santa last year I had a bad Christmas because I had to be in the hospital in the middle of December.
Now I want a baby alive. My little sister wants a Cathy quick curl for Christmas. I hope this Xhristmas will be a happy one.
Yours Truly
love
Rachel Hodges

R t. 4, boxm

Muleshoe, Tex 79347
Dec. 13, 1974
Dear Santa Clause,
I want you to bring me a b.b. pistle with b.b.'s. And a walkie talkie to, please bring me a evel canevel stunt cicle to. I want Mr. potato. And a catures puds to.

Your friend,
Bradley Bickel

Rt. 2, Box 305
Muleshoe, Tex. 79347
Dec. 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a 7up machine, and a snow white watch, and a yum, yum, bubble gum, and a trampoline.
Love,
Edna

Rt. 3, Box 47
Muleshoe
Tex. 79347
Dec. 13, 1974

Dear Santa,
I would like a gas airplane and a cavalry set and a trans-ister walkie talkie and one more thing im going to visit you, and one more thing some candy in my stoking, and say hello to yor raindears.
love
perry

410 W. Chicago, Str.
Muleshoe, Tex. 79347
Dec. 13, 1974

Dear Santa,
This year I wood like a match box super station and a match box rescue set and a match box country set and if you happy to look at the boor do not pay any mind to the botom owns.
Love,
Jimmy Holmes

409 E. Dallas
Muleshoe, Tex 79347
Dec. 13, 1974

Dear Santa,
I want a Evil Kneve sky cycle BB pistol electric quitar, for Christmas.
Love
Kevin

1733 W. Ave. B
Muleshoe, Tex 79347
Dec. 13, 1974

Dear Santa Claus,
Do you now what I want. Well to start off I want a hole bunch of real baby stuff. Do not think I'm having a baby But I have a baby alive Oh! I want a doll that is great big. And a big baby bed and a stroller. Well I think thats all.
Love,
Kelly Sue
Hamblen

Rt. 1
Muleshoe, Tex. 79347
Dec. 13, 1974

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a motir scooterer for Christmas
Love
Terry

Rt. 2 Box 107A
Muleshoe Tex 79347
Dec. 13, 1974

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a pellet gun and I also want a motor cycle and allso. I want a go cart and allso I want a Evel Knevel crash car and allso I want poster of santa a allso I want a bike and allso I want some Foot-Ball clicks and I want flying airplane I want a B-B gun I want a train set.
your fr end
Arthur
Villaiobos

Dear Santa
How are you? Please bring me an Electric Train set, a Verti bird air police a fire truck with ladder a leggo set, also gun and holster and a new pair of boots
Scotty Calvert
Age 6

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Edie and I have been a pretty good girl. I would like a walking doll & a Barbie bike and a Barbie doll. I will leave you some milk & cookies out.
I love you,
Edie Ramey

Dear Santa,
I am 7 yrs. old and my name is Mary Helen Orozco. I have 4 sisters and 1 brother.

Santa I want a Baby Tender Love, and a pair of Dingo Boot, and a pair of shoes. That is all I want for Christmas Santa

Love is Peace
Christmas is when Jesus was Born.

Dear Santa,
My name is Caice, I am six years old. I have tried to be a good girl this year. I would like to have a bycycle, a Peachy and her Puppets doll, and also a trampoline.

My little brother, Damon, is almost 2 years old. He has also tried to be a good boy. He wants a truck and a Riding toy.

If you don't have these we would like anything that you leave us.
Love,
Caice
&
Damon

Dear Santa Clause
I want a bike
Sylvia

DEAR SANTA CLAUS!
I would like for you to bring me Wibble West Set Leggos Road Paving set gun and Firle Western Auto Pickup.
Thank You Micheal

Dear Santa,
My name is Lauri Kinard, I am 5 years old.

Please bring me a baby alive, McDonalds, Holiday Inn, and a Record player, & a high chair for my doll.
Put some candy & a sur-prize in my stocking.
I have tried to be a good girl and I've been.
Don't forget to come early because we go to Grandma's.
Love,
Lauri Kinard

Muleshoe Texas
Dec. 13, 1974

Dear Santa Claus,
Hope your doing fine, I am. I know your busy getting ready for Christmas but I wrote a letter any way. To tell you what I want for Christmas now I will let you know what I want for Christmas, First of all I

want a teleavisoin all to my self. And a fur cap with balls on the end. I want and need a bike for Christmas and a few games I love to play games thats about all. Good luck with the houses I'm in the fifth garage.
Your friend
Staci Vandiver

Muleshoe
Muleshoe Texas
December 13, 1974

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the fifth grade. My

name is Stacey Barnhill. I hope you are doing fine. I know Christmas is your busyest time of the year, but I am writing you anyway. For Christmas I want mostly clothes and two collection dolls and cowboy boots. Well thats all I have to say. Say hello to everyone.
Yours truly,
Stacey Barnhill

Muleshoe, Texas
December 13, 1974

Dear Santa,
I hve been good all year,

So would you please bring me a 24-inch-boys-bike, and a pair of walkie talkies.
If I can't get a pair of walkie talkies the a camera, I will be good for next Christ-mas. So will my other sisters Tammie and Mona. Oh! by the way I am 10 years old and in the 5th grade. Thank you!
Your friend
Doyla Hight
Home-making may be a lost art, but there's much to be said for the ancient custom.

**JAMES CRANE
TIRE**

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WHOLESALE**

**JOYOUS
CHRISTMAS**

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Board of Directors and Office Staff

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Merry Christmas

Make it a fun-filled holiday! Fill it with an abundance of love, laughter and warm hearts everywhere. Best wishes for a cheery, blessed season to all. Our special thanks.

**GILBREATH SEED
AND GRAIN**



Dear Santa Claus,
I want an Evil Kenevilvan and a McDonald playhouse. I also want a Johnny West collection a train and track and a racing track.
I saw a Planet of the Apes mask and gun set at Paul Poyner's and I want a G.I. Joe. Tell your reindeers hello & have a happy x mas.
Thank-you
Greg Young
P.S. I will be 6 yrs. old on Dec. 25th. I would like the weather to be snowy.
I love you-
Greg

Dear Santa,
My name is Ray I am 8 years old I want a set of drums and a evil knivel Scramdel Van. A B.B. gun. I love you

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Winston Stice. I'm in Kindergarten. I live on West 11th Street.
This is what I want for Christmas. A "Crash an-up-Bang up cars", Spurs, Vest, and a coat that has the 'Dallas Cowboys' on it. That is all I want. By!
Winston Stice
Merry Christmas
P.S. Climb through the window

Dear Santa,
I want a snowcone and I want a show n' tell. And I want a doll that eats and drinks.
I love you and I've tried to be a good girl.
Love,
KRISTI
Taylor
P.S. I have a good Daddy so please bring him something. And my mommy too.

Dear Santa,
I want a doll and a high chair and a bed and a bottle. And I want a little t.v.
I have a baby brother so please bring him something.
I love you.

Love,
Misty
Taylor

P.O. Box 108 Ave. B
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
Dec. 19, 1974

Dear Santa
I am writing these few lines to say what I want for Christmas. I want a watch, a pair of shoes, and clothes. A doll, a ring, a necklace a bracelet, and a bike! I hope you can get all the things I asked for and if you can't it's ok.
Yours truly,
Delilah Lopez

P.O. Box 312
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December, 9th, 1974

Dear Santa,
I hope I have been good this year. I would like a pair of Slippers, Snoopy, Bugs bunny radio, Jute box, 4 of the best of the West people and horses, a new night gown, and a nice new big furry Lassie dog.
Love,
Ginger Morris
Rt. 3 Box 202

Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 9, 1974

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a watch with a silver band. I know how to tell time. And a rifle with a holster, too. My I have seven up dispenser too. I won't to serve it to every on in my room. And a time table so I can learn my ones through twelves.

Yours Truly
Willie Joe Coleman
316 East Austin
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 9, 1974

Dear Santa,
I want a Ken and Barbie clothes, and Barbie friendship. How is your wife and elf? I want you to give me a stocking with candy and apples and oranges.

Love,
Belinda Clayton

Box 140 E. 6th St. Muleshoe, Texas 79347.
Dec. 9, 1974

Dear Santa,
I am writing this letter to you because I believe in you. You know what I want for Christ-

mas I want a watch for Christmas and I also want a necklace and bracelet for Christmas and a pair of shoes and I want some skates. I wish it would snow.

Yours truly,
Georgina Jordan

R.R. 4 Box 19
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
Dec. 9, 1974

Dear Santa,
I don't want much this year I would like a telescope or a bike. And a bunch of crossman b.b. also I would like a b.b. pistol. I wish it would snow a whole lot. And another thing a set of miniature pool balls. The baby would like a rattlers and a bottle.

Yours Truly
Troy Dale Ellison
Mary DeShazo School
Muleshoe, Texas, 79347
December 13, 1974

Dear Santa,
My Name is Donna. I what a watch a Dusty Doll a come a Bushnut and radle Wood you please bring me them.
Your frind
Donna Kaye

have to bring me anything but a tensped the reason is I was not god all year Do donot bring me anything not even a tensped.
Your frind
James Routen.

310 E. D St.
Muleshoe, Tex 79347
Dec. 13, 1974

Dear Santa,
I wath a bike and a doll and a famous sayings and a bat-on.

Love
Theresa Orozco

Rt. 2 Box 43
Muleshoe, Tex. 79347
Dec. 13, 1974

Dear Santa Claus,
I went to your parade and i relley did like the candys you gave me.

Santa I relley a wach here is the name it called Girls dainty Dorserin a santa gift box. and I also want a record player and a pare of walkie-talkies and tow gumm called light bright and this game called operation. I thing thats all say good bye to your elves.
Love
Doris

Dear Santa Claus
My name is Rudy Gonzalez Jr. and I live at 418 West 9th and for Christmas I would like to have a Snoopy pencil

sharpener and a railroad put-put set and my littly sister Rebecca would like to have a rocking chair and a raggedy Ann.

Rudy

Dear Santy Claus,
Hi!
For Christmas, I want a Rub-A-Dub Dolly, a play family castle, and a Cookie Munster puppet.

We'll leave you a little sack and please bring other good boys and girls what they want.
Merry Christmas!
Kelly Lynn
313 E. Date
Muleshoe, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
A doll, a dishes, a scissors, a house to play, a paddle, a pencil and that all.
Love
Raquel Acosta

Mary De Shazo School
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 13, 1974

Dear Santa Claus,
This year I would like you to bring me Cathy quick curl, a doctor kit, and some new clothes. A Barbie and a Barbie House. Cat in the bag game, Big bird, A purse. Cathy quick curl's clothes.
Love,
Kacy Henry

Mary De Shazo School
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 17, 1974

Dear Santa,
I am a third grader. I want bakie and a B.B. Gun. And I hope my aunt be all right. How are you now we are making christmas stuff wow are we tired.
Your frind
Milton Norman

Mary De Shazo School
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 13, 1974

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a third grade boy cad you bring me a bike Santa I Love you why do you wer a belt and why do you wer a hat why do you wer a red colt.
Your frind,
Rene Garcia

Mary De Shazo School
Muleshoe, Texas 79347
December 13, 1974

Dear Santa Claus,
I always wanted toys to play with. And I would like for you to bring me a middle size bike. And also I wanted a piggybank to put my money. And also a I wanted a present it don't matter which one. And I hope I have fun this year with all these toys that I have.
Love,
Carolina Pacheca



Greetings

Let's celebrate this Christmas season with sincere wishes for a simply wonderful holiday. To all our friends and neighbors go many thanks for your continued patronage and goodwill.

WILSON APPLIANCE

224 3rd
Muleshoe, Tex.
79347
Dec. 13, 1974

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Fair Prince costume and I want a Ballerina costume and I want a Miss peep and I want some baby clothes.

406 E. Ave.
Muleshoe Texas
79347
Dear Santa,
I want a doll name Mill Peep and soom baby cloths. Do'll carrige stroller wach sleeping Bag a chair, Barbie doll Pochomus.
I
Love
Traci

121 West 6
Muleshoe, Tex 79347
Dec. 13, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a operation and a show'n tell phanoviewers not Miss this tasty treat sweet shop karosel kitchen patchwork speed spyder batom don't miss this time teacher by Bradley.
Love
Isabel Daniel

801 W. 7th St.
Muleshoe, Tex. 79347
Dec. 13, 1974
Dear Santa,
I have been bad you do not

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Dear Santa;

Dear Santa,
My name is Jeff
I am 6 years old.
Please bring me a SSP Smash-up
erdsh-up Derby a Billy Goat
game a set of boxing gloves
and striking bag with stand,
A guitar and a GI Joe and a
big wheel, I Love You Jeff
Vinson.

Dear Santa;
My name is Allan, I am 3
years, I'm a pretty good boy
sometimes, Please bring me a
Planet of the Apes Man, a
Playschool McDonalds, A We-
ble's Marina, A Play Watch
and a Big Jim,
Thank you, I will leave you
Some cookies and milk,
Love Allan
Vinson

ing.
Love
WES HANKS

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some block
and a Western truck, I would also
like my own radio. I am 5
years old and have good this
year.
Merry Christmas Santa,
Love,
Lance
King.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some shoe

skates and a wrist watch. I
would also like a new electric
train.
I am a 7 year old boy and would
like anything you bring me,
I have been good.
Thank you
Love
Brett King.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a guitar, radio and a
doll.
Love
Leah Bell
P.S. I want a bike too.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want toys and pencils for
Christmas, and a bike, car,
and a house.
Love
Felix Villarreal

Dear Santa Clause
Santa Claus,
I want a motorcycle and a
fireengine truck.
Love
Guerro Mendoza

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a truck for Christ-

mas, and a Berty Bird and
I love you.
Love Ronnie
Love
Ronnie Swanson

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a little Key Truck
and a little jeep and a car and
a house and a truck a piggy
bank and a little Whistle and
a paddle.
Love
Darron Lopez

Dear Santa Claus,
A present for my baby-Larry,

some dishes for me and a
little table and something else-
thats all,
Love
Nancy Jaramillo

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Baby Alive, a re-
cord player, a little T.V. to
see Winnie-the Poof, a little
table and one puzzle and a game
of Snoopy and I want one dolly
with a cradle thats all
Love
Dena Ambriz

Dear Santa Claus.

I want some toys, presents,
and thats all.
Love
Gary Blackburn

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Christmas Tree,
and a Baby Doll-thats all.
Love
Petra Rodriquez

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a baby doll,
a bike and thats all.
Love
Rosa Mendoza

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- Cake Mix** 18 1/2-oz. Box **59¢**
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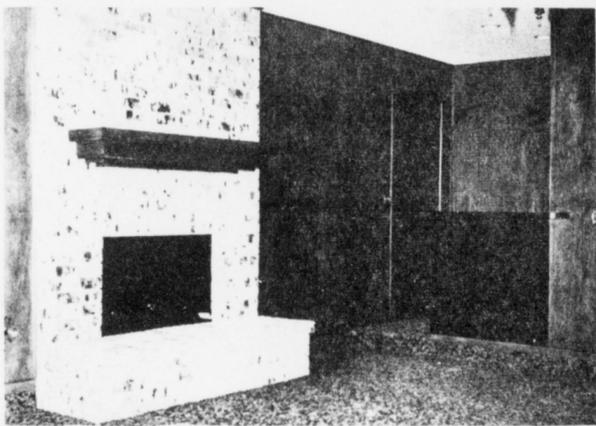
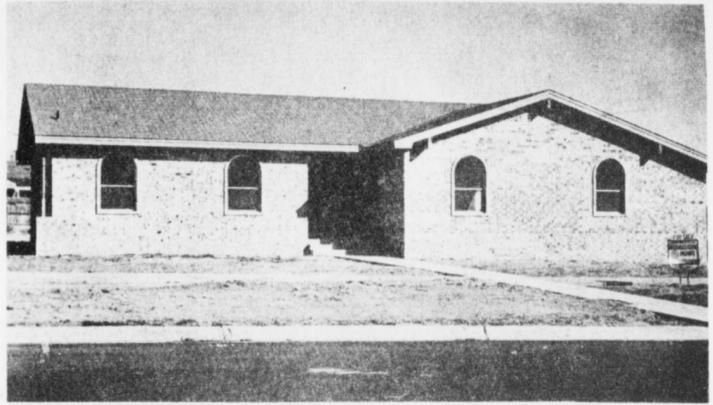
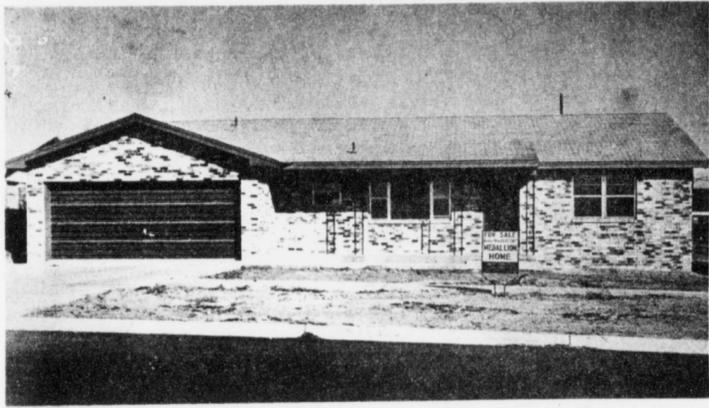


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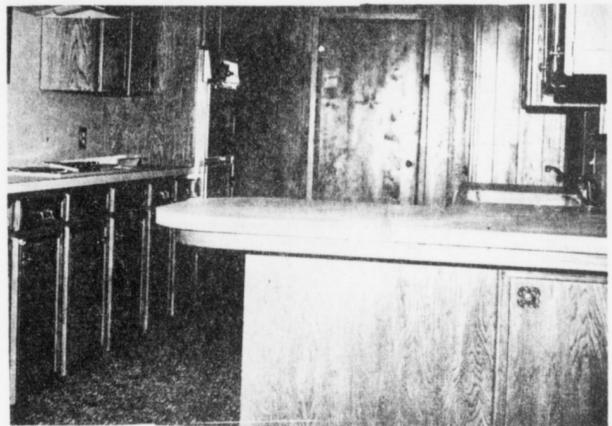
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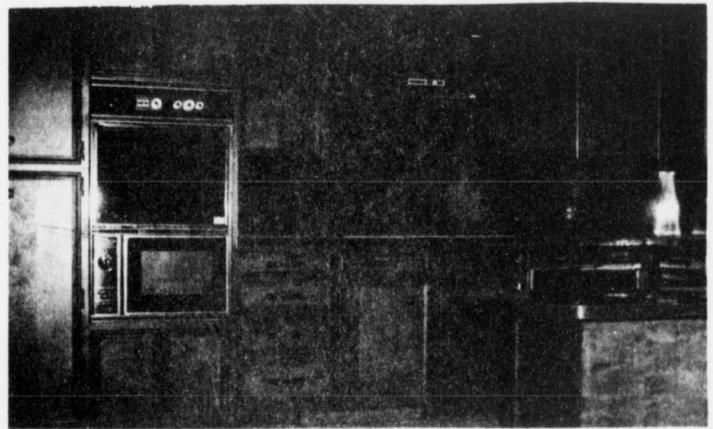
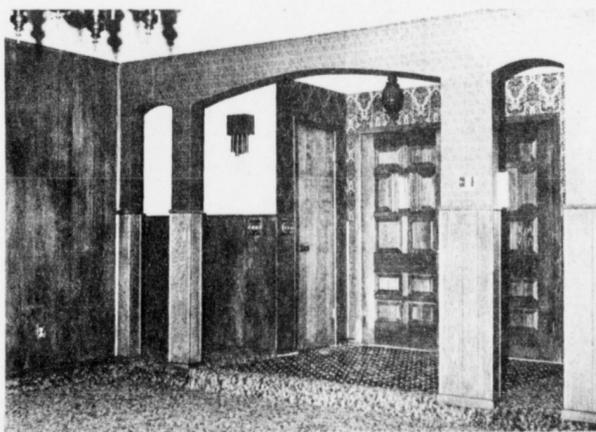
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