





Savior

Is Born

Now it came to pass in those days, that a decree went forth from Caesar Augustus that a census of the whole world should be taken. This first census took place while Cyrenus was governor of Syria. And all were going, each to his own town, to register.

And Joseph also went from Galilee out of the town of Nazareth into Judea to the town of David, which is called Bethlehem, being of the family and house of David, to register together with Mary his espoused wife who was with child.

And it came to pass while they were there, that the days for her to be delivered were fulfilled. And she brought forth her first born son, wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were shepherds in the same district living in the fields and keeping watch over their flocks by night. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood by them and the glory of God shone about them and they feared exceedingly.

And the angel said unto them,

"Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which shall be to all the people, for today, in the town of David, a Savior has been born to you who is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign to you; you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and 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." The Gospel according to St. Luke.



'Mitch Miller Chorus' Entertains at Party

Employees of Baker-Taylor held their annual Christmas Party Friday night at the Spearman shop.

Wade Glover, dressed as Mitch Miller and accompanied by Patty Glover at the piano and chorus members, James Hargis, Bill Massie, Bob Brandt, Bob Parris, Jack Hamilton, Elmer Delozier, and Fred Jones, Jr. led the guests in Christmas carols in the style of "Sing Along with Mitch".

Costumed cast members, Peggy and Bob Stovall, Connie and Leon Underwood, Sharron and Bob Lohkamp, Lorella Read, Paul Guthrie, Mark Radar, Max Taylor and Robby Stovall performed a skit to the classical Christmas poem, "Twas The Night Before Christmas" read by Bertha Spoonemore.

A duet of Charla Hargis and Buttons Galbreath sang "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer" and Don Lanier played his guitar and sang several Christmas selections.

The Toolpusher Sextet composed of Daphna Brawley, May Hargis, Corine Gable, Bobby Guthrie, and Sharon Lohkamp (portraying Max Banks) presented another version of "Twas the Night Before Christmas."

Zelpha and Carlessa Galbreath and Jennifer and Sheila Read formed a quartet singing "I Saw Mommie Kissing Santa Claus" and Ed Brawley, Doug Harper and T.L. Garner were members of the trio singing "Santa Claus

is Coming to Town."

The program was concluded with a reading by June Galbreath.

Coffee, cokes, cookies and popcorn were served and balloons and stockings filled with candy were distributed among the children by Santa Claus.

At various times during the evening door prizes were given away. An electric can opener was given to Harvey Whitefield, an electric clock to W. T. Earthman, an electric blanket to Don Walls and electric skillet to Wade Glover. Hams were given to H.E. Kopke and Max Banks.

Attending were Spearman employees of Baker-Taylor and guests from Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Max Banks, Bob Leckie, Mr. and Mrs. Don Bowie, Mr. and Mrs. Dub Woods and children, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Gilmore and children, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Browning, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Leach and children, Larry and Jo Beth Haney, Mr. and Mrs. George Gideon and children and Mr. and Mrs. Otis Barker and boys.

Other guests were Kim Nash, Everett Tracy and Richard, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. James W. Walker, Sr., Mr. Jim Walker, Mr. and Mrs. W. V. McArthur, Mr. and Mrs. James Bramlett and Jack Hunt.

Horizon Has Dorcas Class Yule Party Has Party In Guymon

Horizon Oil Company employees held their annual Christmas Party recently.

The festivities began at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Tracy and from there they journeyed to Linde's in Guymon for supper. Shrimp, brought in especially for this occasion, broiled steaks, baked potatoes and bowls filled with assorted fruits were among the delicacies served.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Calder from New York City, Bruce Calder from Dallas, and Messrs. and Mmes. Dan Faries, Eddie Healer, John Wilde, Charlie Patton, Doug Grimes, Darrell Ammons from Booker and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Tracy.

The Dorcas Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church held their Christmas party Monday night in the Hospitality Room of the First State Bank.

The devotional "Keys For Better Living" was given by Pat Denham. Following the devotional the group sang Christmas carols.

The class members played charades and exchanged gifts. Refreshments of hot punch and pecan pie were served to the following: Donna Helms, Wanda Brown, Patsy Choate, Sarah Gooch, Doris Holderman, Pat Dennau, Wanda Widener, Zula Asbill, Dorleen Burrell, Edith Cage, Martha Straw, Sharon Hall and Wanda Melver.

School Number Is Changed

The telephone number at the Junior High School (old high school building) has been changed to 659-2563. Anyone wishing to call any of the buildings at the Junior High (gym, cafeteria, etc.) should call this new number.

Card of Thanks

I want to thank each and everyone for their cooperation during the agricultural census.
Helen F. Sanders

Mary Ellen Barkley, a student at Texas Tech in Lubbock, is spending the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Barkley.

Terry Pittman, son of Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Pittman, was home from WTSC in Canyon over the weekend visiting his parents.



May the miracle of that first Christmas fill your home with happiness

1964

Burton's T.V.

Circle Meets At Church

The Kezzie Mae Circle of the First Baptist Church met Dec. 16 at the church.

Betty Thomas presided at the business meeting. Prayer requests were made and the prayer calendar was read.

Betty Beam presented the mission study program.

Attending were Mmes. D.W. Hazelwood, Don Beam, R.L. Uptergrove, Ed Hutton and F. W. Thomas.

Rick Collins, a freshman at Texas Tech in Lubbock, is home spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Collins.

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Free Home Demonstrations



Season's Greetings

May this season bring to each of our friends — joy and many happy returns.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

1964



We wish for you and your family all the joys to be had at this special time.

North Plains Truck & Implement

Homemaking Notes

by Linda Webb
Home Demonstration Agent

Christmas Eve is sometimes our busiest time. With a hundred last minute things to be done, we may want to hustle the youngsters off to bed early so they'll get a good night's rest and Santa Claus will have time to do his work. But let's save time enough to remember the real meaning and significance of Christmas. When the children hang up their stockings, is a good time for the whole family to sing some of the carols together—perhaps including among the others "O Little Town of Bethlehem" and "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear". Christmas Eve, before the children go to bed, is the time, too, for the reading of the story of the Nativity or the first Christmas eve. It may be read from the Bible or a book of Bible stories—or someone who can do it well, may retell the old story.

Better than the observance of Christmas Day, is keeping Christmas together as a family. Family unity is stronger than at any other season of the year; as you pause to reflect on the Christmas season, perhaps you will enjoy Henry Van Dyke's "Keeping Christmas".
"Are you willing to forget what you have done for other people and remember what other people have done for you; to ignore what the world owes you and to think what you owe the world; to see that your fellowmen are just as real as you are, and try to look beyond their faces to their hearts hungry for joy?..."
"Are you willing to stoop down and consider the needs

KEEP THE CHRISTMAS

Christmas is essentially a religious holiday, so church activities should be an important part of holiday planning. The homemaker who entertains during the holidays can plan ahead and prepare foods which will require little last minute attention. Buffet serving is recommended for large groups as it can be informal and easily done.

Mr. and Mrs. Lovelle Lee and children Kevin and Kyle of Irving arrived Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Taylor.

and desires of little children; to remember the weakness and loneliness of people who are growing old; to bear in mind the things other people have to bear in their hearts; to try to understand what those who live in the same house with you really want without waiting for them to tell you; to trim your lamp so that it will give more light and less smoke; and to carry it in front so that your shadow will fall behind you.

"Are you willing to believe that love is the strongest thing in the world, stronger than hate, stronger than evil, stronger than death, and that the blessed life that began in Bethlehem 1900 years ago is the image and brightness of Eternal Love?"

"Are you willing to do these things even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas. And if you can keep it for a day, why not for always? But you cannot keep it alone."

The office will be closed through December 23 to January 4, 1965, for Christmas and New Years holidays. I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



HAPPY GIRL . . . First choice for most any young lady is a doll all her own. Modern dolls are flexible, sturdy, long-lasting and nearly all of them can "talk."

Tot's Accident Led To Lights For Tree

Some reports have it that the "birth" of Christmas tree lights can be attributed to a little boy who crawled under his Christmas tree and turned over a candle which in turn singed the tot's hair.

The child's father, a telephone man, decided to do away with the candles and replace them with several dozen switchboard lamps soldered to wires and covered with brightly colored paper.

The end result, then, were safer brighter lights which replaced candles on Christmas trees.

Christmas Rose Subject Of Legend

According to the legend of the Christmas rose, among the visitors to the stable at Bethlehem that first Christmas was a small girl named Madelon.

Madelon, the child of a shepherd, witnessed the bright star in the heavens and saw the Wise Men journeying to Bethlehem with presents for the Christ Child.

Unhappy that she had no gifts to take to Bethlehem, Madelon sank to the ground and wept. Suddenly, an angel appeared and asked the child why she was weeping. When Madelon responded that she wept because she had no gift for the Christ Child, the angel reminded her that "A gift of the heart is best of all." The angel then disappeared and was replaced by a beautiful rose tree, bearing fair white blooms.

Madelon gathered the blossoms and hurried to the manger at Bethlehem. She lay her gift before the manger, and so the story goes, the white blossoms turned a most beautiful pink—the first Christmas roses.

Mr. and Mrs. Burl McClellan left today to spend Christmas in Commerce with his parents.

Perfectionist: One who takes great pains, and gives them to other people.

In Illinois: Statues Recreate Nativity Scene

The National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows on Highway 460 near Belleville, Ill., exhibits an outstanding Nativity group of sculptured life-sized figures during the Christmas season.

The statues were placed in a background and setting designed by Max Autenreid, Edwardsville, Ill. Authenticity is the keynote of the setting, framed in a lean-to at the entrance of a simulated grotto. Paintings of farm animals and stable furnishings are so positioned as to lend depth and perspective to the familiar Christmas scene.

The statues, carved out of linden wood by Frank Haines, noted Ambler, Pa., sculptor who specializes in character studies and portrait figures, were completed in 1961 and displayed at New Harmony last year. They will be housed permanently in New Harmony's Paul Tillich park next year.

The New Harmony settlement, founded in 1814 by George Sapp as the site for a religious sect known as the Harmonists, was later purchased by the Welsh-Scot industrialist and philanthropist, Robert Owen, who gathered about him well-known scientists, educators, social reformers and artists. His utopian experiment in communal living collapsed in 1827, but now the principal donor of the Blaffer Trust, Mrs. Kenneth D. Owen of Houston—wife of a direct descendant of Robert Owen—is trying to preserve and enrich the old community through great art and careful restorations.

Research

The statues, commissioned by Mrs. Owens, are clad in costumes designed by Elizabeth Haines, wife of the sculptor, after extensive research into the clothing of the era. Mary's robe was woven and embroidered in Jerusalem by Christian Arab refugees, and her hair is worn in the style of a

married Hebrew woman of the time. Joseph's robe has vertical gray and black stripes, also characteristic. His brown shawl has four purple tassels, to remind the wearer to obey God's laws, with the tassels also representative of the four consonants in Jehovah's name. The gray robe and brown shawl are Danish materials and the gray fabric won the first prize in the international weaving competition in California in 1959.

Lips and eyes of all three figures are touched with color. In the case of Mary and the Child, the "skin" is the natural color of the linden wood used with a preservative. They were carved smooth, as having the Divine Spirit, while Joseph was carved with facets to lend virility and to set him apart from Mother and Child. His skin is also colored differently to give him the weathered, darker look consistent with his outdoor life as a carpenter.

EXTRA GIFT

An "extra" and inexpensive gift certain to be appreciated by most youngsters is a supply of batteries. Most children receive one or more battery-powered toys for Christmas.

AT THIS SPECIAL TIME WE PAUSE TO SEND YOU OUR BEST WISHES AND TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR FRIENDSHIP.

SILENT NIGHT
HOLY NIGHT
1964

Joe Trayler Motors

1964

Merry Christmas

Times and styles change, but our Christmas wishes to you are timeless.

Beedy Furniture

Will Gift of Pet Be Welcome? It Pays to Be Sure!

Planning to give someone a pet this Christmas? Almost everyone, no matter what age, likes animals, but make certain first that the pet will be welcome. If the pet is for a child, be sure his parents are

for the idea.

Dogs and cats are among the most popular pets. They can be bought for a small donation to a local animal shelter, or can be more costly, especially if they are pedigreed.

When selecting a dog or cat as a gift, make certain the animal is healthy and has had all its proper shots. If there's any doubt, take it to a veterinarian.

In the case of a dog, choose a frisky, bold puppy who romps with his kennel mates. Don't be taken in by the sad-eyed pup who stays in the corner all the time. Puppies are ready to become pets when they're eight weeks or older.

Cats should be clear-eyed, with no suggestion of a sneeze or cough, and, especially if they're kittens, lively and playful. Most kittens are ready

for "adoption" into a human family at about six weeks, but in the case of some breeds, it's best to wait a little longer.

If there's already a pet in the family, be sure to remember it at Christmas with equipment such as beds, leashes, collars; toys or tasty treats. work just as conveniently under normal conditions as under water.

News From The

County Agent

By Robert Adamson

Christmas- what kids look forward to for one whole year

GRAIN SORGHUM IN FEED LOT RATION

The following information was sent to me by Dixon Hubbard, Area Extension Livestock Specialist. This article will be in two parts.

In spite of the fact that milo and other grain sorghums are widely used alone or in combinations with barley in feed lot rations, feeders frequently report gains and feed conversions that are less than should be expected from the textbook analysis of this grain. On the other hand, some experiment station trials as well as practical experience in feed lots have shown excellent results from the use of milo or grain sorghums in a feed lot ration. Experiment station trials have attempted to explain the variations which have occurred in the feeding of this grain.

In two trials conducted at the California Experiment Station with yearling steers, barley and milo were found approximately equal in feeding value. This was true whether fed as rolled or ground grain. The barley or milo made up 65 per cent of the concentrate in a feed lot ration averaging slightly over 80 per cent total concentrates. Daily gains, feed intake and feed efficiency were similar for each test ration.

In these California trials there was no advantage of increased feed intake or feeding value of steamed rolled grain compared to that ground with a hammermill. Economic or other management practices rather than expected changes in feeding value should govern the choice of method when preparing milo or barley for feeding in a mixed ration.

In another trial recently conducted at the Wyoming station, rolled milo produced gains equal to rolled oats and rolled barley. In this trial, however, the rolled barley was slightly more efficient.

In another trial swine were fed pelleted and ground corn, barley and milo. Results showed milo and corn equal for producing pork, both exceeding barley. Hogs fed milo or corn produced the most economical gains and there was no advantage for pelleted milo over the ground grain.

In contrast to these trials, in a summary of seven experiments conducted at the Arizona station comparing barley to milo as a grain in cattle fattening rations, the barley rations showed an advantage of 7 per cent in gain and 11 per cent improvement in feed efficiency. In the rations studied, milo grain made up from 50 to 65 per cent of the grain in the ration.

Digestion studies at Arizona, made in combination with the fattening trials, showed the milo used in these trials to have an exceptionally low protein digestibility. The dry matter digestibility was also below that expected for a high concentrate ration.

These digestion trials showed the protein digestibility of milo to be slightly less than 48 per cent which is considerably below the textbook value of approximately 75 per cent. These trials, which used the nylon bag technique, indicated a more rapid rate and greater total digestion of barley than of milo.

Ensilaging milo grain for 21 days with moisture content varying from 23, 29 and 34 per cent resulted in remarkably improving the utilization. Simply adding 23 per cent moisture to the grain was no better than dry ground milo. Similar findings to these have been reported in Texas trials.

PLEASANT WINDOW

A picture window, lighted with an electric candle, or outlined with greenery and Christmas baubles, makes a pleasant addition to outside decor for the holidays.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

HAPPY

NEW

YEAR



From all of us

Merry Christmas, one and all, from all of us . . .
and thanks for coming in to see us and making
our Christmas such a happy one this year, as
always.

- C. A. Gibner, President
- J. W. Gibner, Vice President
- Peyton Gibner, Vice President
- Freeman Barkley, Cashier
- Paul Hazelwood, Asst. Cashier
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- Rex Sanders, Director
- Hazel Lowe Gibner, Director
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- Orlene Martin, Drive-in Teller
- Elane Earnst, Secretary
- Frankee Duryee, Bookkeeper
- Connie Jones, Bookkeeper
- Beulah Abston, Proof

FIRST STATE BANK

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Bank will be closed
December 25th and 26th



THE WAY I SEE IT

Robert Cordes, Pastor
Oslo and Faith Lutheran

THE KING WHO DIED FOR HIS PEOPLE

The story of Christmas is the story of God becoming a man. Why did God do this? So He could live like us and die for us and open the door to heaven for us.

The Babe in the manger whom we worship is a real human being, but He is also God. He is the King of glory, who reigns eternally with His Father in heaven.

This great King took it upon Himself to rescue His people from sin. In love He stooped down from His throne and became a little child. He went all the way to the cross to take away the sting of death and win eternal life for us.

Christmas was no sudden idea on the part of God. It was the fulfillment of a plan He made at the very instant our first parents sinned. For hundreds of years the world waited while God made the world ready to receive His Son.

Christmas is a miracle because it is God taking on human flesh and dwelling on earth. By all human logic Christmas should not have happened. A virgin bearing a Son without human conception. Or a God coming to suffer and die for His people. A miracle but it shouldn't have happened.

But it did happen. God gave His great gift of love... for people who were rebellious, unkind, sinners. He gave Him for us--for you.

Have you received this Great Gift of a Savior this Christmas? What about thanking God Almighty for His gift of salvation? Christmas this year will not be over---Christmas for you now will be an eternal ongoing thing---lasting every day as we pause to think of God coming to earth so humbly to make us His own children again. Christmas is not over.

For The King went on to die for His people and now lives in our hearts as we are baptized into Him and believe His promises.

Holt News

Mrs. Martha Batton was Saturday night guest of Mrs. Mabel Edwards of Spearman.

Linda Holt of Texas Tech at Lubbock, is visiting her parents over the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. Yette Dodson of Dalhart is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Rosson of Spearman.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Jackson and family of Gruver were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Holt of Texas Tech are spending Christmas vacation with his parents, the Fred Holts.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sloan of Dumas were Sunday dinner guests of her parents, the Ira Harbours.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Novak have their children home for the holidays. Bob Novak who is stationed at Fort Gordon, Ga. is home on a 17 day leave. Mr. and Mrs. Perry Sheets and children from College Station are here and are also visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Sheets, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Chesser from Borger are also visiting the Novak's.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Adamson left Tuesday to spend the holidays with their mothers. They visited first in Tahoka with Mrs. Bonnie Adamson and she will join them in spending Christmas in Antlers, Okla. with Mrs. Betty Killian.

STRIKE OUT LEAGUE

TEAM	WON	LOST
Corner Service	46	14
B&B Sales	35	25
Consumers Sales	34	26
Behne Electric	31	29
Ideal Food Store	26	34
Super Service	23 1/2	36 1/2
Waka Bunch	23	37
Gordon's Drug	22 1/2	37 1/2
HIGH TEAM GAME		
Behne Electric	881	
B&B Sales	854	
Corner Service	851	
HIGH TEAM SERIES		
Behne Electric	2554	
Corner Service	2368	
B&B Sales	2365	
HIGH INDIVIDUAL GAME		
Sanders	230	
Baggerly	215	
Hamlett	212	
HIGH INDIVIDUAL SERIES		
Shields	565	
McWhirter	535	
Baggerly	526	

Annual Excel Party Held

Employees of Excel Chevrolet Co. held their annual Christmas party Friday night in the Junior High School Cafeteria.

The meal was catered by Sutphens of Borger.

The Christmas decorations were highlighted by a Christmas tree. The Christmas motif was also carried out in table decorations. Gifts were distributed to the children present.

Attending were the families of Jimmy Shieldknight, Erlis Pittman, Bud Beeson, Bill Kuehl, Frank Cockrell, Hershel Jones, Armando Cavazos, John Henry, Bill Choate, Jim Jenkins, Leon Wilson, Durland Sheets, Jack Moran and Frank Pittman and son and Don Maize.

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Be Filled
With
Happiness,
Good
Health And
All Things
Your Heart
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This
Christmas!

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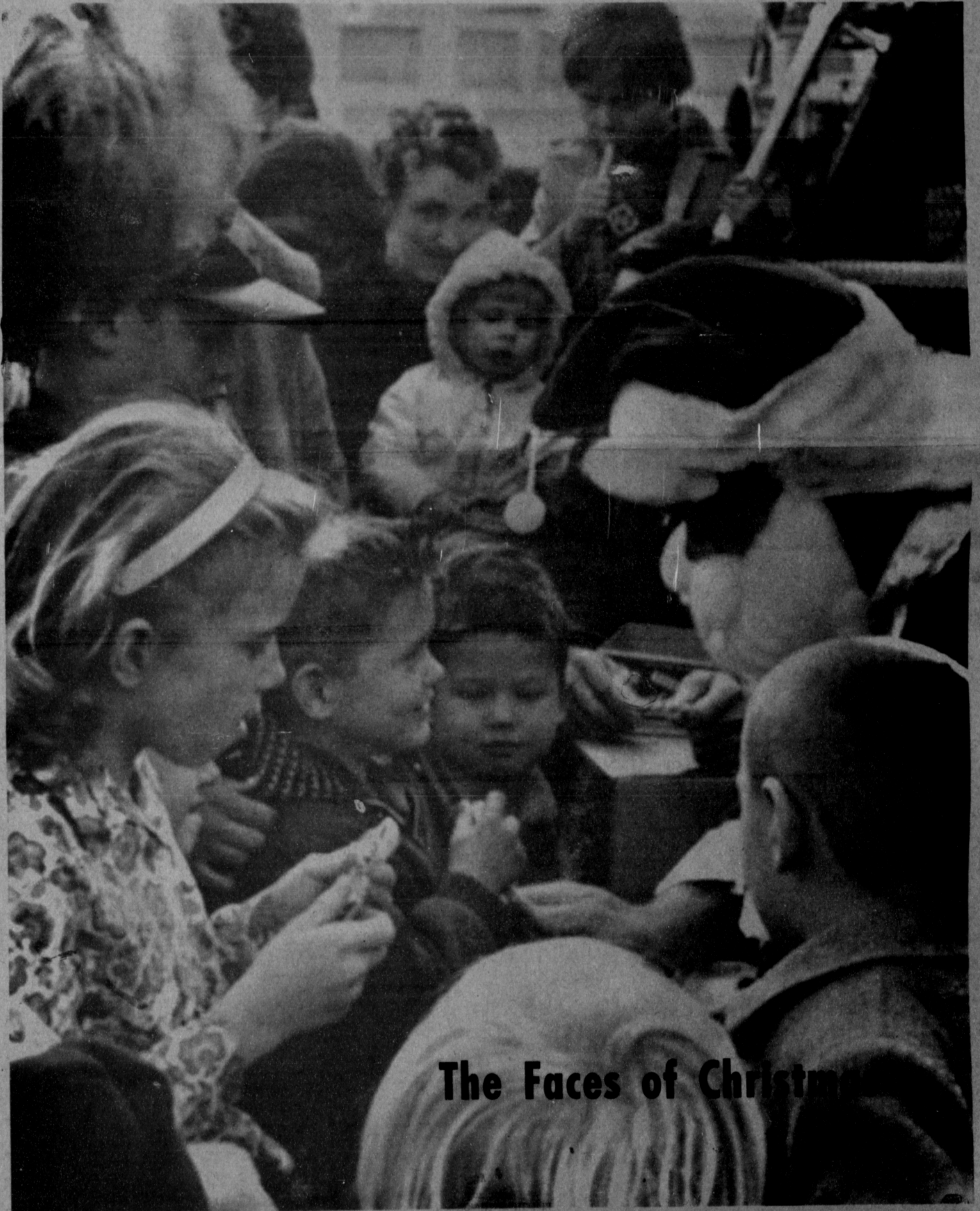
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The Faces of Christmas

Letters To Santa Claus



Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy 5 years old. My name is Jeffery Hohertz. I would like my train fixed, super cane, and G.I. Joe. My little brother wants a Bozo clown. Don't forget my two sisters and all the other boys and girls.
Lots of love,
Jeffery

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. All I want for Christmas is my two front teeth. My little sister Teresa wants a doll and a bed to go with the doll for Christmas. I would like a record player and a bicycle for Christmas.
Love,
Debra Langley

Dear Santa,
I think I have been a good girl. This year I want a white Bible, a pair of school gloves and a kitty muff. I am in the third grade. My teacher is Mrs. Langley.
Love,
Katina McCloy

Christmas Donation

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Matthews, Steve and Karen are donating their Christmas card money to the National Foundation March of Dimes for research. They wish all their many friends and neighbors a very Merry Christmas and a Happy Prosperous New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Holt from Lubbock are visiting here during the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holt.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Garnett were Mr. and Mrs. Mike Garnett from Lubbock and her parents, Col. and Mrs. Martin Plocher and John. The Plocher's left Monday morning for Alaska. Other weekend guests were Kenneth Dixon, Keith Dixon and Frank Dixon from Leesville, La.

Ann Garnett is home from Baylor University in Waco to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Garnett.

Decorations Are Fun

From Santa and his reindeer to strings of beautiful lights in all shapes and sizes to illuminated likenesses of the manger scene, families today really put on an outdoor show around their homes at Yuletide.

Many families have outdoor decorations that they use every year, and to add more originality there is a vast quantity of new decorative pieces, in all price ranges, that can be found in local stores and included in any home display.

Most families build up their displays, making them more and more elaborate every year. Good beginning might be a string of lights to place along the roof or on shrubs and trees, with other ideas added each Yuletide.

Wreaths and other greens to adorn the front door might include an electrically-lighted candle, and even apartment dwellers can participate in this kind of "outdoor" lighting.

Christmas Party Held By Rebekahs

Rebekah Lodge number 290 held a call meeting December 17 in the IOOF Hall.

The meeting was called to order by Caro Lee Frantz, Noble Grand. The chaplain, Margaret Kirk, pro tem, gave the devotional. During the meeting the group completed plans for their Christmas basket project.

After the business session the lodge held their annual Christmas party. Gifts were exchanged and secret pals for the past year were revealed.

Attending were Caro Lee

Frantz, Iva Longley, Thelma Kenny, Ruth Caro, Dorothy Longley, Juanita Boxford, Margaret Kirk, Jackie Hall, Zina Longley, Deanna Kenny, Mildred Chamberlain, Matrice Richardson, Sylvia Wilcox, Nina Hendrix, Ethel Ellsworth, Thelma Scott, Rose Cummings, Lois Gaither, Helen Condo, Dowanda Golightly and Ina Mae Hughes.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Barnes Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Dan Warmbrodt and children from Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Turnbow and son from Borger, Mr. and Mrs. Junior Smith from Perryton and Patty Camp.

Jack Vanderburg who attends Texas Tech in Lubbock is home spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Vanderburg.

Thelma Kenny Elected As Noble Grand

The Spearman Rebekah Lodge No. 290 elected officers for 1965 at a recent Thursday night meeting.

Elected were Thelma Kenney, Noble Grand; Deanna Kenney, Vice Grand; Inez Holland, Recording Secretary; Ina Mae Hughes, Financial Secretary; Thelma Scott, Treasurer; and Helen Condo, Representative to the State Grand Lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Phelps and Janice left Monday for Houston where they will visit with Mr. and Mrs. Howell Phelps.



LONG YEARS OF FUN AND COMPANIONSHIP are gifts to the lucky little girl who receives her own bike — and her own dog, too — for Christmas. Chances are, both she and the dog will enjoy the bike — the dog for the fun of romping along beside her as she wheels away.

Merry Christmas



Happy New Year

May we take this opportunity to thank you one and all for letting us serve you, and to send you our warm wishes for your Happy Holidays!

Merry Christmas

From all of us to all of you

Excel Chevrolet - Oldsmobile

Of Interest to Women

Meet The Presidents

Jonquil Club Is Headed

By Mrs. C. J. Renner

Spearman is a prettier and more pleasant town to live in because of the Jonquil Flower Club and its sister flower clubs.

Heading the Jonquil club this year is Mrs. C. J. Renner who lives on a farm eight miles north of Spearman.

A registered nurse who works part-time at Hansford Hospital and cares for a family of three school age children would seem

enough. However, Eloise still has time for studying oil painting, sewing, a book club, District Nurses organization, Twentieth Century Club and work in the First Christian Church.

Mrs. Renner was born and lived in Texhoma, Okla., until going to Panhandle A&M College in Goodwell, Okla. She was a physical science major in college, then went to Oklahoma University Hospital for her nurses' training.

She has lived in Spearman for 12 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Renner have three children, Diane, 19, a student at West Texas State, Phillip, 15, in Spearman High School and Amy, 10, a student in the Spearman grade school.

The President of the flower club has been a member for five years and served as Vice President before becoming the club leader.

Mrs. Renner says the flower club strives to stimulate the knowledge and love of gardening among amateur gardeners and to aid in the protection of nature's trees and plants. The club also promotes civic planting and beautification.

The club does this kind of work to help beautify the town. The most recent project was the landscaping of the small triangle in the street intersection across from the Home Demonstration Building.

The club paid for all the costs and the members take turns watering and caring for the small area.

At one time the area was a junk pile.

Archers Host Bridge Party

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Archer were hosts to their Bridge Club's Christmas dinner party Tuesday night in their home.

Red and green table cloths covered the tables and the Christmas theme was used in decorations throughout the house.

Del Cluck and Textie Fisher won the high prizes and Tommy and Nelva White won low. The traveling prizes were also won by the White's.

Attending were Del and Barbara Cluck, A. D. and Sharon Reed, Tommy and Nelva White, Lawton and Deloris Guthrie, Zack and Textie Fisher and the hosts, Bobby and Ann Archer.

Annual Yule Party Held

Bodil Hutchison was hostess to the Gladiola Flower Club's annual Christmas party Thursday night in her home.

Gloria Knox sang a Christmas song and Dorothy Faye Baggerly played several selections of Christmas melodies on the piano. The program was concluded with a reading of "The Fourth Magi" by Barbara Schnell.

Officers for the coming year were installed.

Following supper gifts were exchanged.

Attending were Margaret Adamson, Dorothy Baggerly, Jackie Banks, Wanda Brown, Coleen Brummett, Dorothy Buzzard, Betty Davis, Beth Fox, Dorothy Haner, Estelle Jackson, Gloria Knox, Jo Larson, Sherry Partridge, Sylvia Robertson, Barbara Schnell, Gwen Smith, Alice Snider and the hostess.

Handpainted Gifts Exchanged By Art-Crafts Guild

The Arts and Craft Guild met December 18 in the Hospitality Room of the First State Bank for their annual Christmas party.

Hostesses for the occasion were Mmes. Garrett Allen, Joe Dan Bryan and Freeman Barkley.

Gifts of handpainted plates were exchanged among the members.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses to Mmes. F. J. Daily, F. J. Hoskins, Pope Gibner, C. A. Gibner, Bruce Sheets, Bill Russell, Guy Fuller, Nolan Holt, Ray Phelps, Bill Hutton, P. A. Lyon, Ned Turner, Joe Traylor, Jess Womble, Deta Blodgett and Kiff White.

Betty Pipkin who attends Bob Jones University is home spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Pipkin. She also plans to spend several days visiting in Amarillo with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Stokes, Pauline Pipkin is spending the holidays with friends in New York.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Novak were Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Robson of Liberal, Kans.



AFTERNOON GROUP—Mrs. Hoskin's afternoon kindergarten pupils are (front, left-right) Colleen Smith, Glenda and Brenda Cook, and Colette Smith, (second row) Edward Sulsar, Cynthia Hamilton, Mike Crawford and Matt Sheets, (back row) Mrs. Hoskins, Jody Moran and Danny Dry.

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Husbands Honored at Party Given by Jonquil Club

The Jonquil Flower Club held their annual Christmas party, Tuesday, Dec. 15 in the Home Demonstration Club Room.

The Christmas theme was carried throughout the room in the decorations. The tables were decorated with greenery and poinsettias and the serving table was centered with a white Christmas Tree.

Following the meal of turkey and all the trimmings, games were played, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Holland were the winners.

Attending were members of the party committee and their husbands, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Holland, Mr. and Mrs. C. J.

Renner, Mr. and Mrs. John Trindle and Mrs. Wayne Hutchison. Others attending were Messrs. and Mmes. Garland Head, Bill Massey, Jack McWhirter, Pete Fisher, M. D. McLaughlin, Carl Archer, J. R. Kelm and Tom Sutton.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Fisher and Tim and Mr. and Mrs. V. N. King are Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Sexson of Cache, Okla.

Bonnie Driscoll, a student at WTSC in Canyon, is home spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Driscoll.

Mr. and Mrs. David Bednarz from Slaton visited here Tuesday and Wednesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ellzey Vanderburg.

Diane Renner, a sophomore at WTSC, is home spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Renner.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Archer had as their guests for three days last week, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Horsh from Wellington, Kans.

Day by Day

Just as soon as my column was printed last week, with my complaints about hearing so few Christmas carols, I began hearing them by the score.

There have also been some beautiful musical television programs, church cantatas, school programs and even re-runs of Bing Crosby's old Christmas movies, so I'm satisfied and sorry I registered a complaint.

I was surprised that the school bond issue didn't pass last week. I think a lot of people were, especially those who failed to go and vote because they thought it would pass anyway.

It never pays to take anything for granted when it comes to how an issue will fare at the polls. You'll be surprised more often than not.

Brother and Mrs. Berry made some of that Texas Millionaire candy I mentioned last week and were kind enough to share it with the Plainsman staff. I believe it was the best candy I've ever eaten and that seemed to be the consensus of opinion among the rest of the group.

Someone told me later that a similar recipe, or maybe the exact duplicate, is in the Home Demonstration women's cookbook. It, too, is called Millionaire candy and is Alta Fisher's recipe.

I recommend it highly although I haven't tried making it myself yet.

A lot of work went into the publications staff's winter wonderland setting for the coronation of Mr. and Miss S. H. S., and the ball last weekend. Miss Pat Howard and her Lynx Claw staff not only managed to plan and sponsor these two events but also published a special Christmas edition of the paper. They did a good job of all three undertakings.

The pageant's Christmas dolls, DeAnn Weese and D'Anda Close just about stole the show with their typical childlike antics. They were perched under a Christmas tree, amidst dolls and toys, each trying to decide which doll should be hers and all the while being very entertaining.

There were a number of excellent musical groups who entertained after the presentation of the high school royalty. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Tilford sang some beautiful Christmas songs and another highlight of the evening was a cornet solo by David Knox who is a very accomplished musician.

It was a very pleasant and Christmassy evening.

I wish I could think of an original and appropriate way to close with something meaningful about Christmas but so much has been said already, everything sounds trite and oft repeated.

Christmas is an immense part of the religious, cultural and family heritage of all Christian people. I hope this one will provide many fond memories for you that you will cherish for years to come. Merry Christmas.

Kindergarten Students Honor Mothers at Tea

Students of Mrs. Jess Womble's Kindergarten Class honored their mothers Thursday morning, Dec. 17, with a tea in the Fellowship Hall of the First Christian Church.

The serving table was decorated in the Christmas motif. Jan Mason and Tammy Rook served the punch and Julie Cessnun and Peggy James served the nuts and the mints.

The boys in the class accompanied the mothers to the serving table.

The group entertained their mothers with several Christmas carols.

Guests attending were Mmes. Orville Latham, Dee Allen, Bill Cessnun, Barbara James, Ted Widener, George Rook, Jack Reed, Jimmy Vernon, Claude Sheets, Jr., Jett Mason, Don DeArmond, Frances Allison, Bob Hohertz and J. M. Kenny.

Mr. and Mrs. Kent Guthrie, students at North Texas State University in Denton, are here spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Butts.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Haner were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Bowsher from Pampa.

Miss Joyce Sparks, librarian at East Texas State College in Commerce is home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Sparks, for the holidays.



MORNING KINDERGARTEN—Mrs. Fred Hoskins' morning kindergarten group includes (front row) Susie Gregg, Denise Scroggs, Denise Beagle, Margaret Hill, Janice Field and Leslie Cain (second row) Daryl Roles, Alan Uptergrove, Stuart Sutton, Brent Biles, Walter Gooch, William Hopper, Jr., Terry Lee Sulsar and Jody Burrell, (back row) Kevin Pendergraft, David Lesly and Bradley Holdeman.

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Come from Behind Effort Squelches Gruver Lead

The Spearman Lynxettes made it a clean sweep for the year by taking their second game from Gruver 47-37 in Spearman Tuesday night.

A great defensive effort in the second half, combined with a strong scoring punch, pulled the game out for the Lynxettes.

Gruver was leading 12-7 at the end of the first quarter, then 24-19 at the half.

In the second half tail Kathi Pattison moved herself in front of Gruver's Anita States and reduced her scoring from 16 points in the first half to eight in the second. Pattison, Bethany Donnell, Susan Hutchison and Robbie Ownbey also found more rebounds in the second period.

Big Vicki Wilde started moving in the second half and teamed with feeder Phyllis Patterson, Wilde got 15 of her 22 points. Patterson had 21 for the night.

Patterson got redhot in the

third quarter from the outside and gave Spearman the lead at the end of three quarters by launching a long two-handed push shot just one second before the buzzer sounded.

Patterson and Wilde just outscored the visitors in the third quarter when the Lynxette defense was able to stop States and company.

Box Scores	fg	ft	f	tp
Spearman	9	3	4	21
Patterson	10	3	4	22
Wilde, V.	2	0	1	4
Wilde, B.				
Donnell				3
Hutchison				3
Lesly				1
Smith				1
Pattison				3
Totals	21	5	16	47
Gruver				
States	8	8	1	24
Roper	3	0	1	6
Wright	1	4	1	6
Crawford				4
Odum				1
Bayless				2
Totals	12	13	10	37

Services For Gunman Takes Mrs. Caldwell \$75 from Station Are Pending

The Fina Service Station operated by Earl Beck was robbed Saturday by a lone gunman who took \$75.

Beck said a white male between 50 and 60 years old robbed him and got away in a late model green Chrysler.

Officers have not been able to turn up any leads on the robber.

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Mrs. Mary Margaret Hanners Caldwell, 80, a former Spearman resident, died at 8 a.m. in Santa Fe, N.M.

She had made her home in Santa Fe with a daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joy Hergert for the past five years.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by Boxwell's of Spearman.

Mrs. Hanners was born May 20, 1884 in Clay County, Ala.

She was a member of the First Christian Church of Spearman.

Survivors include two sons, G.W. (Dub) Hanners of Spearman and B.T. Hanners of Coolidge, Ariz.; and the daughter, Mrs. Hergert of Santa Fe; one sister, Mrs. Clesie Moore of Santa Fe; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Five Win At Final Drawing

The final Christmas Appreciation Drawing sponsored by the merchants of Spearman and the Chamber of Commerce was held Saturday afternoon just before Santa Claus made his visit.

Persons receiving prizes in gift dollars were Mrs. Aaron Love and Mrs. Lelan Close, \$5 each; Mrs. Oliver Barnes \$10; Bobby Smith \$20 and Millard Tucker \$50.

THE PERSONAL TOUCH
 In gift-giving, as in all other things, the "personal touch" is important.

NEVER TOO OLD--Leonard Jameson perches on Santa's lap and whispers his Christmas order: "I want a bicycle just like Burl McClellan's."

Private Photo

Lynx Overcome 'Full Court Press' Jinx; Beat Erratic Gruver Greyhounds 52-40

Spearman's Lynx handed fans and Coach Dean Weese a big Christmas present Tuesday night when they consistently broke the full-court press to beat arch-rival Gruver 52-40 in Lynx gym.

The breaking of the full court press was probably a bigger present to Coach Weese than anything the team could have given him.

The press has consistently stopped the Lynx this season, causing them to lose several games, sometimes after having built up large leads.

A cold second and third quarter by the Greyhound shooters and some good defense by the Lynx changed the game from a close contest into a rout.

Spearman and Gruver changed

points during the first quarter and Spearman was leading only 13-11 at the end of the first eight minutes.

Spearman turned on the defense and forced Gruver to the outside with their shooting, while grabbing most of the rebounds when the Hounds found the Lynx goals hard to hit.

Gruver found the large Lynx court harder to clog up with

their defense and Bob Phillips hit from the outside and Carl Close and Jim Kirkland found the going inside easier.

Close and Phillips, the leading scorers fattened their points when they became the end men on the fast passing attack that broke the Gruver full court press. Phillips hit 18 points with some close in shots on breaking the press and Close had 12.

Night of Fouls Leads To Defeat for Spearman

It was another night of fouls and a last quarter that saw a lead vanish and defeat spring up as the Spearman Lynx lost to Miami 44-41 Monday night in Miami.

The scores at the end of the first two quarters were close, but Spearman was trailing 8-12 and 20-22. In the third quarter the Lynx spurred to the front on a 15 point spree, while holding Miami to seven points.

Three Lynx went out of the game on fouls and the lead vanished in the final eight minutes. Larry Butts, Bob Phillips and Ken Shufeldt all fouled out.

Jim Kirkland led the Lynx

scoring with 15 points and Phillips had 12 before fouling out.

Spearman was called for 23 fouls and Miami committed 13 miscues. Spearman hit on seven of 13 free shots and Miami scored on 18 of 31 free pitches. Spearman outscored the Warriors 17-13 in numbers of field goals.

Box Score	fg	ft	f	tp
Butts	2	0	5	4
Kirkland	7	1	4	15
Phillips	4	4	5	12
Shufeldt	0	2	5	2
Close	4	0	3	8
Callaway	0	0	1	0
Totals	17	7	23	41
M Totals	13	18	13	44

Lynxettes Beat Miami 47-39 After Slow Start

After a slow start, the Spearman Lynxettes began rolling and beat Miami 47-39 Monday night in Miami.

The teams traded points the first half and the score was tied 21-21 at the half. Spearman broke the game open and went on to win in the final 16 minutes.

Vicki Wilde led the Spearman scoring parade with 21 points.

Spearman hit 17 of 29 free throws which proved the margin of victory. For one of the few times this year the Lynxettes were outscored from the floor. Miami hit 16 field goals and seven free shots. Spearman had 15 field goals and 17 free shots.

Box Score	fg	ft	f	tp
Patterson	5	7	3	17
Wilde, V.	9	3	9	21
Wilde, B.	1	6	1	8
Vernon	0	1	0	1
Donnell				2
Ownbey				4
Hutchison				2
Pattison				1
Totals	15	17	13	47
M Totals	16	7	21	39

Sam Tipton had a hard time finding the range, but still managed to lead the Gruver scoring with 18 points.

Gruver was trailing 37-20 at the end of the final quarter and then turned on a scoring attack with several stolen Lynx passes and outside shooting to rack up 20 points as the Lynx tended to relax some.

After Weese had a few sideline conferences with the Lynx they came back strong to hit for 15 points and keep the lead away from the hard charging Greyhounds.

Box Scores	fg	ft	f	tp
Spearman	2	0	2	4
Butts	3	3	3	9
Kirkland	6	0	4	18
Phillips	3	3	4	9
Shufeldt	4	4	1	12
Close				
Totals	21	10	14	52
Gruver				
Tipton	7	4	4	18
Hoel	2	2	3	6
Lieb	1	0	1	2
Mathews	1	2	3	4
Leatherman	2	4	4	8
Laxson	0	2	0	2
Totals	13	14	15	40

Policeman Resigns For Oil Co. Job

City policeman Coy Thompson has resigned his job with the Spearman Police Department effective Dec. 31.

Police Chief Wayne Pierce said Thompson is going to work here for Skelly Oil Co. He will be employed at the gasoline plant.

Pierce said a replacement probably would not be hired until after a new city manager is named.

Thompson moved here six months ago from Amarillo. He was a policeman there.

DANCE THE CAROL
 Researchers say that the early English carol was a poem suitable for singing, was danced as well as sung, and many times related to some popular subject of the day as much as to the Christmas theme. The word carol, it is said, stems from the French word "carole" which means a round dance.



the BRIGHT RED WAGON

SARA FOSTER leaned through the doorway and for a moment watched her husband intently putting the final touches on a wood carving.

"Supper's ready, Sam."

"Be there in a moment," the man said, setting his work aside. He turned his wheel chair around to face her, but she had disappeared into the kitchen again. "Where's the boy?" he asked.

"In his room a'sleep. I let him in the yard a while this afternoon after the snow fell and he was all tuckered out."

Sam didn't say anything. He was glad Timothy was sleeping. Somehow, the boy never thought to ask about the bright red wagon until the supper hour. And, he never had the courage to tell the lad that he had made a foolish promise and there was no more possibility of a red wagon for Christmas than there was that the temperature would reach a hundred degrees on Christmas day.

He maneuvered his chair into the kitchen, gave a short "thanks" and quietly plunged into the plate of greens and pork. He hoped Sara wouldn't say anything about the wagon, either.



Young Timmie busied himself with a crossword puzzle.

Someday, maybe, he'd learn to keep his big mouth shut. Maybe someday. Three years now, since he had lost his legs in a mining accident, he hadn't changed a bit. Still making promises almost impossible to keep.

The morning before Christmas dawned bright and clear. In the late afternoon, it began to snow and Sara Foster hummed a Christmas tune as she went about her kitchen chores. The old red rooster, long a family friend, was dropped into the boiling pot and she set about the making of dumplings.

Young Timmie busied himself on the cabin floor, meticulously fitting together the pieces of a wooden jig saw puzzle.

Sam Foster sat by the window, gazing idly across the hills and valleys. "Sara, come here," he called.

She stood by his side and he pointed in the direction of the Valley Road. "There's a car in trouble down there. I saw it slip off the road into the ditch. Someone may be hurt. I think you should go see."

Wrapping herself in Sam's old Army coat and tossing a kerchief across her head, the woman opened the door, letting in a blast of cold air and a small snow flurry. "Watch the things on the stove for me, Sam. I shouldn't be long."

Watching

Sam Foster spent the next hour or so wheeling himself back and forth between the kitchen and the front window. He saw his wife trudge back up the hill but, instead of coming into the cabin she went into the barn, emerging a few moments later with Big Red, the tired old mule, and then the return trip down the hill.

It was well after dark when Sara Foster entered the cabin.

Sam was finishing the task of setting plates around the kitchen table. "I imagine, since you didn't say so earlier, no one was hurt. If not, why didn't the fellow you helped come up after that mule himself?"

"Wasn't a fella. Was a woman. A grandma. She wasn't hurt; just slipped off the road. I put her back on her way again. She wanted to pay me, but I didn't take any money."

Sam looked at her curiously. "Your time and work was worth something."

Sara smiled. "Indeed it was. It was worth very much." She leaned low to whisper in her husband's ear. "She had a bright red wagon in her car. Was taking it to her grandchildren. I took that as she said she could get another one in town."

Sam Foster grinned. "Well, I'll be . . ." He paused, then wheeled to the doorway. "Hey, Timmie, boy, put up that puzzle and come to supper. Don't you know this is Christmas Eve, boy? There'll be no red wagon for boys who don't go to bed when they should."

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Lee had as their guests Sunday night for dinner and the Christmas tree his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lee, Tina, and Dana and David and Paula Kay Jones all of Gruver and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lee and children from Borger.

Dan Vaughn, a student at Texas Tech in Lubbock, is home spending the holidays with his family, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Vaughn and Kandy.

Fisher Rites Are Today

Funeral services for W.E. (Babe) Fisher, 65, night radio dispatcher for the Spearman Police Department will be conducted at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in Simpson Funeral Chapel in Borger.

Mr. Fisher died Tuesday in Hansford Hospital where he had been since suffering a heart attack a week earlier.

Mr. Fisher, 65, lived in the fireman's apartment in the Spearman City Hall.

Services will be conducted in Borger and burial will be in Mountainair, N.M.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn; sons Don of Carlsbad, N.M., Robert of Borger and John of Spearman; two brothers, two sisters and 10 grandchildren.

Two Wrecks Not Serious

County residents were involved in two widely separated accidents Monday. No one received serious injuries.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Burleson and children were involved in an accident in Amarillo Monday. None of them were seriously injured.

Their car was heavily damaged, but they rented a car and came home Monday night.

Also that night a car driven by Bob Gillispie hit a steer on the highway just south of Morse. The car was damaged but no one was hurt.



VISIONS OF SUGAR PLUMS DANCED IN THEIR HEADS---Santa is shown here surrounded by children on his recent visit to Spearman.

PLAINSMAN PHOTO

Early History Of Christmas Trees

Tradition has it that Christmas trees were first popularized in Germany by Christian missionaries who chopped down the trees worshipped by the pagans and caused a decorated tree to become part of the Christian celebration. Early German immigrants to America, in an effort to preserve the type of Christmas they had known in the old country, popularized decorated trees in the United States. It has been established that Moravians at Bethlehem, Pa., used pyramids of green brushwood decorated with apples, candles and various ornaments, as early as 1747.

SANTA SPOTS

Santa has many homes-away-from-home and among them is a building in the foothills of Vermont's Green Mountains where each holiday season Santa is on hand to greet folks in the local community.

The building is set amid pine trees at Putney, Vermont, and identified by large letters "S.C." on the chimney.

Nan Sheets, a student of Abilene Christian College, is home spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Sheets.

Jane Allen, a student at Panhandle A & M, is home spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Allen.



Table decorations are an essential during the holiday season. Let the basic rules guide you when doing your home arrangement.

Decorators say the arrangement should be kept as low as possible to allow across-the-table conversation without "dodging" heads back and forth.

There'll be plenty of food around during the holidays, so be sure the decorations don't take up too much room.

Use plenty of color but don't allow one shade to dominate too much.

Care should be exercised to subordinate the receptacles used to the materials used as decorations.



From Reddy Kilowatt and the folks at CPS

We extend best wishes to you and yours for a joyous holiday season. Reddy will be on the job as usual during these festive days to help make your home brighter and your household work lighter. He and the rest of us at CPS hope that the New Year will be a happy one for you and that electric service will play a part in making each new day just a little more pleasant than the last.



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SPEARMAN, TEXAS

Jane Allen Is Member Of Rifle Team

A Spearman co-ed at Panhandle A&M College in Goodwell, Okla., is a member of a trophy winning Girls' rifle team.

Miss Jane Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Allen, was one of five girls on the team which placed third in the Sixth Annual Oklahoma State University Invitational at Stillwater, Okla. early in November.

This was the first match for the Girls' Rifle Team since it was organized as a club early in the fall semester.

Other members of the team are Marlene Brunson of Richfield, Kan., Marilyn McDonald of Telluride, Colo., and Jean Stewart of Guymon.

Dr. Marvin E. McKee, President of PAMC recently presented the trophy won by the team, to the members in ceremonies in his office.

Servicemen Home For Christmas

Three Spearman servicemen are home for the Christmas holidays.

David Batson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Batson, and Rod Woodson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Wilkerson, are home from New Jersey. They are both in the Army and attending a communications school.

Bob Novak, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Novak, is home from South Carolina. He is in the Air Force.



MR. and MISS S.H.S. - Miss Phyllis Patterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Patterson and Johnnie Crawford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ott Crawford were crowned Mr. and Miss S.H.S. Saturday night by Frank Cockrell, High School principal. C&B Studio Photo

Fishers Honor Cut Rate Employees with Party

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Fisher entertained the Cut Rate Grocery employees Tuesday night with a Christmas Party at the Berger Country Club.

The Christmas theme was used in decorations throughout the club. Following dinner gifts were exchanged and

games of dominoes and bridge were played.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gibson and Ronnie, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Butler and Eddie, Mr. and Mrs. Dwain Bowen, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Day, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Gamble, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. T.C. Kitchens, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Tabor, Danny Kingsley, Jane Allen, Lynn Warren, Vicki Kunkle, Rick Collins, Mae Belle Witcher, Harold Harris, Dan Harden, Ola Sparks, Ruby McCullough, Ethel Black, Mrs. Dale Fisher from Berger and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Fisher.



HOME ON LEAVE--Pvt. Charles R. West, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. West, is visiting his parents during the holidays. He is stationed at Fort Rucker, Ala.

PAMC Enrollment

Is Jan. 25-26

Regular enrollment for the Spring Semester at Panhandle A&M College in Goodwell is scheduled for January 25 and 26. Alvin Weeks, registrar, stated today.

Upperclassmen will enroll on Monday, January 25 and Freshmen on Tuesday, January 26. Many of the currently enrolled students pre-enrolled during a pre-enrollment period November 30 to December 18.

Transfer and students currently seeking enrollment for the first time should check with Mr. Weeks for admission requirements.

Miss Sharion Close, a student at WTSC, is home spending the holidays with her family, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Close and D'Anda.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

The Sacred Heart Altar Society wishes to take this means to say "Thank You" for the notices you published in regard to the showing of the film "Time and Two Women."

We greatly appreciate your kindness and thoughtfulness.

Thank you.

Yours truly,
Sacred Heart Altar Society
Jacquelyn Banks

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a hat and boots and a cowboy gun set. I wear a size 10 1/2 B. I would also like a boxing robot and tools. Please bring my brother Danny and sisters Cindy and Cathy some toys too. We have been pretty good.

Yours truly,
David Dear

HANSFORD HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients in the hospital are Bill Hopper, Frank Karr, Mary Ellen Chesser, Viola Jagers, Willy Mathis, Nadine Turner, Bob Hayes and William Fisher.

Dismissed were Ralph Snodgrass, Wanda Smith and son, Millard Tucker, Delores Broyles and son, Leona Matthews, Patty Cator and son, Sandra Collier, Wesley Harris, Cody Harris, Rita Cerecedes and son, Scott Hintergardt, Lena Mae Ford, Hazel Morton, Janice Chisum, Tonya Childers, Horace Hayes, Mary Beck, Ronald Beck, Nelva White, Jerri, Mike, Pamela and Shari Frye, and Josie Hayes.

HOLLY BELIEFS

Bethany Day Receives Doll

Bethany Day has received a doll for Christmas courtesy of the First National Bank of Perryton.

The bank bought 96 dolls this year and distributed them to different organizations who in turn dressed them. These dolls have been distributed by the organizations to children for Christmas.

Bethany underwent open heart surgery in a Dallas hospital early this month.

The early Druids decorated their halls and homes with boughs of holly as a welcome to spirits threatened by frost and winter winds. Britons considered it unlucky to bring holly into a house before Christmas Eve and a variation on this belief held that the type of weather at the time the holly was brought into the home determined who would rule the house in the months ahead—if fair, the wife would rule, if bad, the husband would hold sway.

Joan Hackley, a freshman at Texas Tech, is here spending the holidays with her family, Dr. and Mrs. D.E. Hackley and Cathy.



"Christmas Blessings and Best Wishes"

May you have a joyous Christmas surrounded by all that's dearest to you. And may the Season bring you all the success and happiness that make for a rich, meaningful life.

Chambers

Lady Fair

Plains Shopping Center



ROYAL COURT-Queen Phyllis Patterson and King Johnnie Crawford are shown with the elves and Christmas dolls who participated in the Winter Wonderland presentation Saturday night. They are (at back) Jeff Beedy and Steve Donnell, (front, left-right) Kelly Davis, DeAnn Weese, D'Anda Close and Brad Jackson.

PLAINSMAN PHOTO



What is the 'Spirit of Christmas?'

Have you ever wondered exactly what someone means when they express the wish that "the spirit of Christmas reach into every heart"?

One thing is for sure. The spirit of Christmas cannot be summed up in a single word. It encompasses joy, peace, faith, hope, and gratitude as a mere beginning.

Christians, of course, rejoice in the true meaning of Christmas. It is the birthday of the Saviour—an anniversary of the day on

which the Christ Child appeared on earth to show mankind the route to eternal salvation.

We know that Christmas is, essentially, a time of peace. The coming of Christmas has never put an end to a major war or even a minor skirmish, but almost invariably it does cause men to pause, to think and, more often than not, to pray for peace. If the spirit of Christmas abounded all year long, there would be no wars.

We know that Christmas is a time of faith. It is a time when lost strength and

courage may be renewed in the quiet stillness of a church, in the somber darkness of a solitary room, even in the hustle and bustle of the crowd.

Hope springs eternally from the Christmas message and in the great example of the life and death of Christ, there is for all men the promise of a greater and a better tomorrow.

There is no more significant time for all of us to count our blessings and, at Christmas, they seem to be more abundant than ever.



Luther Simulated Christmas Scene

Most everyone has heard the story of Martin Luther and the Christmas tree. Luther lived from 1483 to 1546 and, so the story goes, was one night so impressed by the sight of snow-covered evergreens sparkling in the moonlight that he returned to his home and tried to reproduce the memorable scene for his family.

He chose a small evergreen tree and, to simulate the reflections of the starlit heavens, he attached a number of lighted candles.

Christmas trees, of course, did not become popular until years later.

Stable Scene Was Idea Of St. Francis

It is said that the Christmas Crib goes back to the year 1223 when, in the small village of Greccio, Italy, St. Francis of Assisi attempted to bring alive the true meaning of Christmas by constructing a crude representation of the stable at Bethlehem, using live animals and real people.

At first confined only to churches, the custom later spread to palaces and homes. Today, Italian families take great pride in preparation of their Christmas Crib.

the needy is still a tradition in Wichita.

THE POINSETTIA

Latin America's traditional Christmas decoration, the poinsettia, is also popular in the United States. The shrub, which has flaming red bracts, is named for Joel R. Poinsett, an American statesman and former ambassador to Mexico.

HOLIDAY HOLLY

Most of the holly cuttings used in American homes today are of the English variety, grown for the most part in the northwest where climatic conditions are most favorable. Research has produced several strains of American holly said to be much hardier and superior in color, foliage and fruit. These bear such beguiling

Public Invited To Presbyterian Services Tonight

Christmas Eve services will be held at the First Presbyterian Church according to the Rev. Everett Cain, Jr., pastor. The candlelight Communion service will begin at 10 p.m. The public is cordially invited to attend, according to Rev. Cain.

names as Merry Christmas, Santa Claus, Old Heavy Berry and Cronberry.

gentlemen. I'll go along with your little game. But, don't think you'll rope me in on a 'birthday party next week, or a 'welcome to spring' celebration. And, if you have any such plans for next Christmas, count me out. I have more important things to do."

John Wheeler, with the look of an apprentice lawyer who had just won a case before the Supreme Court, rose from his chair, and ceremoniously clapped his hands. "Thank you, Ben. We do appreciate your decision to join us. And now, Gentlemen, shall we relax? Santa will be here soon."

It was a signal. Santa appeared, followed by a timid, bashful collection of youngsters. Ben Addams sat upright. The children ranged in age from two years to twelve or so. They were neatly dressed, obviously fresh-washed—and Ben knew every one of them. They represented some of the really unfortunate families in the community.

They gathered about the tree and a small girl stepped forward, then posed motionlessly, her speech suddenly forgotten. "Merry Christmas," prompted Santa.

The wee one smiled. "Merry Christmas, Mr. Addams. Merry Christmas, gentlemen. We have only a song to offer, but it comes from our hearts and with the wish... with the wish... that the spirit of Christmas remain with you always."

Fade Out

All too soon, it seemed, the song was ended. The members of the Park City Men's Club applauded roundly as the youngsters bowed, then disappeared the way they had come. When once again the house was still, John Wheeler pointed to an empty chair. Ben Addams was gone, too.

Outside, it was snowing ever so softly. Officer Pat McGinty leaned on the side of the black limousine. "Evening, Dwight."

"Hi, Pat. How's things?"

"Quiet as Christmas Eve. Waiting for the boss to come from the club?"

"He's taking a walk. Didn't stay at the club long."

"Maybe he is out delivering baskets this year. Funny thing to me he thinks he can send baskets to needy families for twenty years by taxicab and never realize curious folks are gonna find who's paying the taxi bill. He should know better."

"I think he does, Pat. Look in the back seat. We're delivering baskets personally this year."

Christmas At The Club

"YOU'RE A BUNCH of silly old fools, and that's my honest opinion," Ben Addams flicked his half-used cigar unerringly toward the corner cuspidor.

A moment of sudden silence enveloped the Park City Men's Club. Some twenty men were silent as church mice. Ben Addams was the eldest man in the room, indeed, he had founded the club for retired businessmen. Years ago, he stepped aside to let younger men run the show and this was the first such comment he had made in five years.

John Wheeler, in the golden voice that had soothed many a jury box, spoke up. "Now, Ben, what's so silly about it? Not a man here had any plans for Christmas. I asked you myself,



John Wheeler spoke up, "Now, Ben, what's so silly about it?"

and you said you weren't planning to do a thing. What's wrong with us having a little party?"

Not Pleased

Ben Addams answered without looking up from the new cigar he was lighting. "Passing out presents like a bunch of school kids. Even with a Santa Claus, too. You know I don't believe in this tom-foolery. Not a man here under 75 and you're acting like this was kiddie-land."

Wheeler turned his head to cough, effectively hiding a smile that turned the corners of his mouth. "Maybe we're due a second childhood, Ben. Indulge us, if you will. Maybe the spirit of Christmas will do us all some good."

Agreed

Ben Addams threw another half-used cigar away. "Very well,



TED KEYES almost laughed out loud at the bitter reaction of the other passengers when the driver told them the big bus was stranded in the small mountain community of Hillside.

Ted didn't care about the delay. He wasn't "going home" for Christmas as most of his fellow passengers were. He was going to King City to take a new job, and he had a week to get there.

He followed the others as they filed out of the bus and ran the short distance into the general store, eager to escape the fury of the winter storm as quickly as possible.

Somber Group

They gathered about the pot-bellied stove, quiet, oblivious of one another, each wrapped in his own unhappy thoughts.

A big man, elderly, yet straight as a ramrod, entered from a back room.



Ted didn't care that the bus was delayed.

"Welcome, folks, welcome. Nice to have so much company on Christmas Eve. Ma's putting on the big coffee pot and making some hot chocolate for the kiddies. Don't go reaching for your wallets. This'll be compliments of Ben Flowers, who wishes you one and all a Merry Christmas. If any of you want to make phone calls, reversing the charges, of course, phone's out there in the kitchen. Now, just make yourself to home."

There was a mad rush toward the kitchen. Ted found himself an unoccupied chair near the stove and relaxed.

He was suddenly conscious of the fact that Ben Flowers was shoveling more coal into the stove and that the noise had awakened him. Two youngsters were sleeping on a pallet in one corner. An old man puffed on his pipe on the opposite of the stove. No one else was in sight.

"Where is everyone?"

"Gone to church. Little mission up the road. Minister came down and issued invitations to a special service. Tried to wake you, but you're a sound sleeper, son. In fact, I had to slam this stove door five or six times to wake you."

"Why?"

"Just thought you might give me a hand. I ain't as young as I used to be, I found that out. Come along, will you?"

The Tree

Ted followed the man through

the kitchen. The old man pointed to a Christmas tree resting against the back porch.

"Cut that tree and brought it down from the hill. Tuckered me out, for sure. Help me get it in, will you?"

"You're putting up a tree on Christmas morning?"

"Yep, first one in several years. Me and ma sorta got out of the habit, son, not having any folks or any youngsters about. Now, this stopover that is such a bother to you is a real occasion for us. We just gotta have a tree, son, and that's all there is to it."

Like Christmas

After that, it was just like Christmas. Ted and Ben Flowers finished the tree, then retired to the kitchen to drink coffee and watch Mrs. Flowers prepare a Christmas meal—turkey, dressing, cranberries, all the things Ted remembered as part of Christmas during his childhood days.

The church-goers returned to find that Mrs. Flowers had wrapped a small gift for each one—actually two gifts were left over, because she had erred in her count of those in attendance. No one seemed to notice.

It was an unusual Christmas dinner—served in the early morning, on paper plates. Ted always remembered how everyone had eaten heartily and had happily said goodbye to the old couple at the country store. Someday soon he would write the Fosters and tell them that they'd made quite a scene in King City when the bus roared into town with all of the passengers singing Christmas Carols and shouting "Merry Christmas" to everyone in sight.

THANK YOU

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the Spearman, Farnsworth and Perryton Fire Departments for their prompt and efficient efforts in extinguishing the terrible fire at our farm last week. These men worked expertly under unbearable and hazardous conditions in bitter cold, choking smoke, piercing wind and intense heat. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Thank You
Mr. and Mrs. Lester Barnes

RING THE BELLS

In Switzerland, bell ringing is a Christmas tradition and each community prides itself on the harmony of its bells. The church bells of Zurich have rung in harmony for hundreds of years, each Christmas calling the faithful to church services.

Flowering plants are ideal for Christmas and one of the more brilliant and less expensive pot plants is the Jerusalem cherry. Its round, red fruit is especially appropriate for the holiday season. It needs bright light and likes a cool temperature, no higher than 55 degrees at night for best results—although it does admirably even with a 65 degree night temperature. If the plant is allowed to wilt, or if cooking gas fumes fill the air, the fruit will drop.

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SHS ROYALTY--These students were presented at the S.H.S. Coronation Saturday night. They all were honor winners at Spearman High School this year. Shown (left right) are (back row) Bob Phillips, Mr. F.T.A. and Who's Who; Wesley Brinkley, Mr. Sincere; Glen Keim, Band King; Marcus Connelly, F.H.A. Beau; Jimmie Ownbey, Mr. Senior Class; and Gary Cates, Mr. Sophomore Class; (front row) Kathi Pattison, Miss F.T.A.; Gloria Rickets, Who's Who; Doris Slaughter, Miss Sincere; Pat-sy Kingsley, Band Queen; Kyra Crum, Miss Beautiful and F.F.A. Sweetheart; and Linda Lesly, Miss Senior Class and Who's Who. (Photo at right, back row) (Charles Shieldknight, Mr. Freshman Class; Mart Brillhart, Mr. Junior Class; Ronald McDonald, Choir King; Don Archer, Mr. Popularity; James Ownbey, Mr. Intellect; Mike Morris, Mr. Handsome; and Leroy Callaway, Who's Who; (front row) Debra Brock, Miss Freshman Class; Janie Kirkland, Miss Junior Class; Helen Collard, Choir Queen, Hester Sue Beck, Miss Popularity and Homecoming Queen; Vicki Kunkle, Miss Intellect and Who's Who; Jennifer Patton, Who's Who; and Margot Kilgore, Who's Who. Not shown is Stephanie Patton, Miss Sophomore Class.

PLAINSMAN PHOTOS

Board Goes Ahead Planning Needed Improvements

Spearman School District Board members Monday night returned to planning the repairs needed on the Junior High School and other parts of the overall school plant, despite the fact the improvement bond was defeated Saturday.

Saturday voters soundly defeated a \$250,000 school improvement bond issue by a vote of 358 against and 206 for.

The board quickly canvassed the election and approved it then went to work on planning the improvements needed.

Suggestions on what should be done ranged from forgetting any improvements, despite how much they are needed, to raising valuations to bring in enough tax money to make the improvements without a bond issue.

It was generally agreed that any raise in valuations will

bring on a general re-evaluation and equalization of property throughout the district. Industry evaluations were raised last year.

After making an inspection tour of the junior high school building, the board agreed to get an architect to come and look at the building and see what can be done to bring it up to standards.

The board members said repairs and renovation on the building could run from a few thousand dollars to as much as the cost of building a new building, depending on how far they carried the renovation program.

The architect will also figure the costs of the proposed paving projects at the schools, the lawn seeding and the proposed watering system.

Since one of the best build-

ing of outdoor athletic plants in the state, figured the costs on the proposed athletic plant, the board is not making an immediate study of this phase of the program.

In other matters the board decided to take bids on the sale of the New Hope school building

The bids must be in the school business office by 5 p.m., Feb. 8. The board reserved the right to reject all bids.

The board felt they might be able to sell the building for enough to build the type buildings needed here on the campus, without having to move the school building.

A bid of \$126,51 was accepted as the high bid on the school bus, Old Yeller, used many years as a band instrument bus. Don Hendricks submitted the high bid.

It was agreed that school funds will be invested in time deposits in the bank and also in

Savings and Loans so it will earn interest until needed to meet payments on bonds and other school expenses.

Permission was granted for the March of Dimes county organization to use the school auditorium sometime in January for the March of Dimes auction and hootenanny.

Mistletoe Tradition Is Somewhat Changed

Today, mistletoe is brought into the house for use as a holiday decoration. Often, it is strategically placed, because it provides the privilege of a kiss from any pretty young lass who happens to stand beneath it.

There's nothing new about this kissing tradition, except one thing. There was a time when it was required a berry be removed each time a maiden was kissed beneath the mistletoe. When the berries were gone, so, too, was the kissing privilege.

HOLIDAY ROBIN

Today, there are many symbols we associate with Christmas — the tree, the Star of Bethlehem, tinsel, tree lights, the manger scene, holly, carolers and mistletoe, among others. Thus it is interesting to note that, for some reason, the robin was often used as an illustration on cards of the Victorian era.

Austrian Carols

In Western Austria it is the custom for entire villages to join in the singing of carols on Christmas Eve. In a unique torch parade, families join one another marching to the village, with torch-bearing carolers joining all along the way. Eventually, the whole population is part of the procession which ends at the village church.

WINTER FESTIVALS

In ancient times, December 25 was the date of the Mithraic rite of the birth of the sun — a festival in honor of Mithras, the Persian god of light. The Teutonic tribes in Northern Europe also had a winter festival — the winter solstice — which marked the rebirth of the sun. So did the Romans — whose saturnalia, held about the same time, was a season of rejoicing and feasting.

Wesley Jarvis, a student at Panhandle A&M in Goodwell is home spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Woodville Jarvis.

Christmas in Bethlehem

Each holiday season, thousands of visitors turn their footsteps toward the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem. People of many faiths make the annual trip to Bethlehem, now a part of Jordan to visit the church which is above the Grotto of the Nativity where Christ was born.

The Church of the Nativity is shared by Roman Catholic, Greek Orthodox and Armenian denominations. Roman Catholics celebrate first, with masses on Christmas Eve, December 25. Eastern churches observe Christ's birthday in January, as also do the Greek Orthodox, who still follow the Julian calendar.

Protestants traditionally gather in Shepherds Fields, the nearby site where tradition says the angels came down to tell the shepherds of the Holy Birth.

MIDNIGHT MASS

The Roman Catholic custom of saying midnight mass on Christmas Eve stems from the belief that Jesus Christ was actually born at that hour. Actually, mass may be said at any hour the night before Christmas and in some countries there is no midnight mass, the first Christmas mass being said at four or five in the morning.

AUTHOR'S WORDS

"Everybody ought to know about Him. No one ever lived who was so good, so kind, so gentle, and so sorry for people who did wrong or were in any way ill and miserable, as He was."

"And He is now in Heaven, where we all hope to go, and all meet each other after we are dead, and there be happy always together, you can never think what a good place Heaven is, without knowing who He was and what He did."

—Charles Dickens

Most Businesses To Close 2 Days

The Christmas holidays in Spearman will be a two-day holiday for most retail business firms, according to the Chamber of Commerce.

Manager Don Floyd said a majority of the business firms will be closed Saturday, fol-

lowing Christmas Day. The grocery stores, drug stores and a few other essential businesses will be open Saturday.

Christmas in England

The first Christmas in England is believed to have been observed in the year 521, at the time King Arthur was celebrating his victory marking the recapture of York.

With best wishes and personal greetings



Merry Christmas

may peace and happiness be among your gifts.

1964

Consumers Sales

FOR INTO YOU IS BORN THIS DAY IN THE CITY OF DAVID A SAVIOUR, WHICH IS CHRIST THE LORD.

Wardrobe Cleaners



Letters To Santa Claus



Santa Claus,
I want a train & a robot, I
a little flying saucer if
have one & a western shirt
If you have a rocket I
it too and Crackers the
ng parrot. That's all
Thanks,
Alan Uptergrove

Santa,
For Christmas I want a baby
e and some dishes. Also
want a Barbie Dream House
a Ken doll and clothes and
e more Barbie clothes, and
y the talking lion. That's

Lee Ann Uptergrove

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been pretty good

this year. We hope we are in
your "good" book this year,
even if we did fight some.

If you do come to our house
here is what we would like to
have: I'm Mark, and I would
like to have a cotton candy
machine, a tool set with a
saw, a gun, & a big dump
truck. I would also like to have
a cowboy hat.

I'm Joanne, and I would like
to have a doll and buggy to
push her in, and a sweeper
like Mommy's to help her
sweep.

Please remember all the
other girls and boys and leave
them some toys, too.

Love,
Mark & Joanne Hays

Dear Santa,

My name is Larry, I am five
years old and I go to kinder-
garden.

For Christmas, I would like
a barbell to make me strong,
also I would like a guitar and
an army set and tank.

Please remember to bring my
brother Steve some toys. He
is eleven months old, I think he
would like some pull toys and
a jack in the box.

Don't forget all the other
boys and girls too.

Larry Widener
905 S. Bernice
Spearman, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Becky. I want a
Ken and Baby Bonnie Baby
Doll. I would like to have a
pair of high heels, Santa Mugs,

and Christmas Stockings. I want
a Santas Workshop, Sew Real
Clothes, Candy Fair Banks,
Jolly Snow Cone Machine, Cot-
ton Candy Machine, Chef Boy-
Ar-Dee Pizza Set. I want a
Skipper and Penny Brite.

Love,
Becky

Dear Santa,

My name is Andy Whitehead.
I have been pretty good this
year.

I would like to have a foot-
ball, and a complete football
suit, a train & track, a truck, a
combat helmet set, a complete
Texan Saddle outfit and the
Bear Hunt game. I would like
something for my tractor.

Dear Santa

I think I have been a good
boy. I am 8 years old. I am in
the second grade. I have work-
ed very hard in school. For
Christmas I would like a Roy
Roger set. My little brother
Max would like a Roy Roger
Set. He is 4 years old.

Love,
Ronnie McCammond

Dear Santa,

I think I have been a good
boy. I am 7 years old. I am
in the 2nd grade. I have work-
ed very hard in school. For
Christmas I would like a bicy-
cle and a gun holster set. My
brother would like a machine
gun and a army hat. My big
brother would like an army set.

My little sister would like a
doll. My big sister would like

a doll too. She would also like
a baby bottle.

Love,
Curtis Feeny

Dear Santa,

I think I have been a good
boy. I am a 7 year old. I am
in the second grade. I have
worked very hard in school for
Christmas I would like a rifle.
My brother Don wants an elec-
tric train.

Love,
Dale Seaton

Dear Santa,

I think I have been a good
girl. I am 7 years old. I am in
the second grade. I have work-
ed very hard in school. For
Christmas I would like a plug
and needle for my record play-
er. I also want a piano practi-
ce book so I can learn to play
the piano better. My sister
Vicky would like a beauty
vanity.

Love,
Teresa Dortch

Dear Santa,

I think I have been a good
boy Santa. I would like a train.
I would play with it every day.

Love,
Cody Alexander

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy and
I would like a big radio and a
pair of boots.

Love,
Danny Nye

Dear Santa,

I think I have been a nice
girl this year. I want a "spank
me doll" and cowboy boots and
snowboots. I also would like new
clothes and househoes.

Love,
Vicki Scribner

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy this
year and I would like to have
a record player.

My brother David would like
a bicycle too.

Thank you Santa,
Love,
Derrel Hext

Dear Santa,

I am seven years old, I am
in the second grade. I have
been a good boy. I have work-
ed very hard at school. For
Christmas I would like a Win-
chester gun and holster set.

Love,
Ricky Brumley

Dear Santa,

I have been a good big boy.
I have worked very hard this
year. I am 7 years old. I am in
the second grade. For Christ-
mas I would like a buffo hunt-
er set. I also would like a toy
typewriter and a moter for my
bicycle and a siren. My little
sister Linda Lou would like a
Barbie and Ken doll.

Love,
Van Duane Lewis

Dear Santa,

I think I have been a good
boy. I am in the second grade.
I am 7 years old. I have
worked very hard in school.
For Christmas I would like a
Roy Roger gun and holster, a
electric train.

Love,
Jay Mac Jasper

Dear Santa,

I think I have been a good
girl. I am 7 years old. I have
worked very hard in school. For
Christmas I would like a Bar-
bie and Ken doll.

Love,
Cherry Hurrey

Dear Santa,

I think I have been a good boy
this year. I would like a big
press so I can print my own
newspaper. I also would like a
watch, a robe and househoes.

Love,
Lynn Parks

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Gifts piled 'neath a glittering
tree . . . the happy sounds of
children . . . it's Christmas,
and the time for joyous
celebration with loved
ones. Hearty wishes for
a truly happy Christmas!





Spearman Clinic

Damon Gregg, M.D.

Evelyn Mackie

Betty Powell

Jim Nicholson

Services For Mother Of Ed Mundy

Conrey Accepts Weatherford Job

Funeral services for Sallie Belle Mundy, 85, of Pampa, mother of E.D. Mundy of Spearman, were held at 2:30 Wednesday afternoon in the First Christian Church in Pampa with Rev. Loren Williams, pastor of Lamar Christian Church, officiating.

Burial followed the services in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Duenkel-Carmichael Funeral Home.

Mrs. Mundy was born November 8, 1879, in Springfield, Illinois. She died Monday in a Pampa hospital.

She married Charles H. Mundy February 17, 1904. The Mundy's moved to Pampa in 1932 from Clayton, N.M.

Mrs. Mundy was a member of the First Christian Church. Survivors besides her son, E. D. of Spearman, are her husband, Charles H., Pampa real estate agent, three daughters, Mrs. Kenneth Stehlin, Mrs. R.K. Parsley and Mrs. Myrtle Waters all of Pampa and a son, Charles H., Jr. of Brownsville, 13 grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren.

City Manager Kenneth Conrey has accepted a job as City Manager of Weatherford, near Fort Worth, and will be leaving Spearman about Feb. 1.

Conrey was hired Tuesday morning by telephone by the city commission of Weatherford.

The City Manager said he did not know where Weatherford got his name, for he was not looking for a job, but the advancement is so good, he cannot pass it up.

Weatherford is a town of approximately 11,000 people with some light industry, agriculture and a number of people who work in Fort Worth, making their homes there.

Conrey said the city owned its own electric and water system.

Conrey was the first City Manager here after the new form of city government was voted in by the people.

During his four years he has been here the city has conducted an extensive paving program, overhauled the water, gas and sewer systems, re-evaluated and equalized the city tax program.

Conrey has carried out an extensive program of having accurate meters for gas and water service, and conducted a vigorous collection program of old utility accounts. He has cut the bad accounts owed the city from some \$40,000 to less than \$10,000.

He also recovered approximately \$10,000 from the city gas supplier which the city had overpaid in one year. This action also forced the supplier to set up a more accurate system of reading his gas meter charts.

Conrey said he and his family regretted leaving Spearman, but feel this is a definite promotion.

Conrey stressed that he has enjoyed working with the city council and all the people of Spearman. "I am leaving Spearman with no hard feeling toward anyone."

"SILENT NIGHT"

Christmas was near, yet there was sadness in a small village in Austria. The church organ had broken down and it appeared there would be no music for Christmas services. Father Joseph Mohr wrote a poem and asked the organist Franz Gruber, to set it to music suitable for a guitar. The poem was "Silent Night" and the village choir sang it that Christmas in 1818 to the accompaniment of a guitar.

"THE CRICKET"

Charles Dickens is best remembered for "The Christmas Carol"—but this was not the most popular of his Christmas stories during his lifetime. An instant hit with the public was "The Cricket on the Hearth," a touching story of a father's attempts to shield his blind daughter from the realities of life. Shortly after it appeared in 1845, some 12 different theatres in London were presenting dramatic versions of "The Cricket."

Future Readers of The Plainsman

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Manuel Cerecedas are the parents of a son, Jaime, born Dec. 15 weighing 7 lbs. and 7 oz.

No one is quite sure, but some hold that the custom of having a Christmas candle comes to us from baronial days when a huge Yule candle was prepared to furnish the light at the high table throughout the holiday festivities.

PERSONAL CARD

If you have the time — and talent — you can send a Christmas card that will be most appreciated by all your friends. A home-made card speaks of special thoughtfulness. It is becoming increasingly popular to poeize the family gossip of the year in the form of a greeting card to friends and relatives.

3-DAY FESTIVAL

Christmas in Turkey is a three-day festival. Christian Turks observe the season by visiting and entertaining and coffee, sweets, meats, fruit and sometimes sour milk are holiday treats.

FAMILY AFFAIR

Christmas is celebrated by more than a half million Christians in the predominantly Moslem country of Pakistan and the Yule season corresponds roughly to ours. It is a "family" festival as it is all over the world.

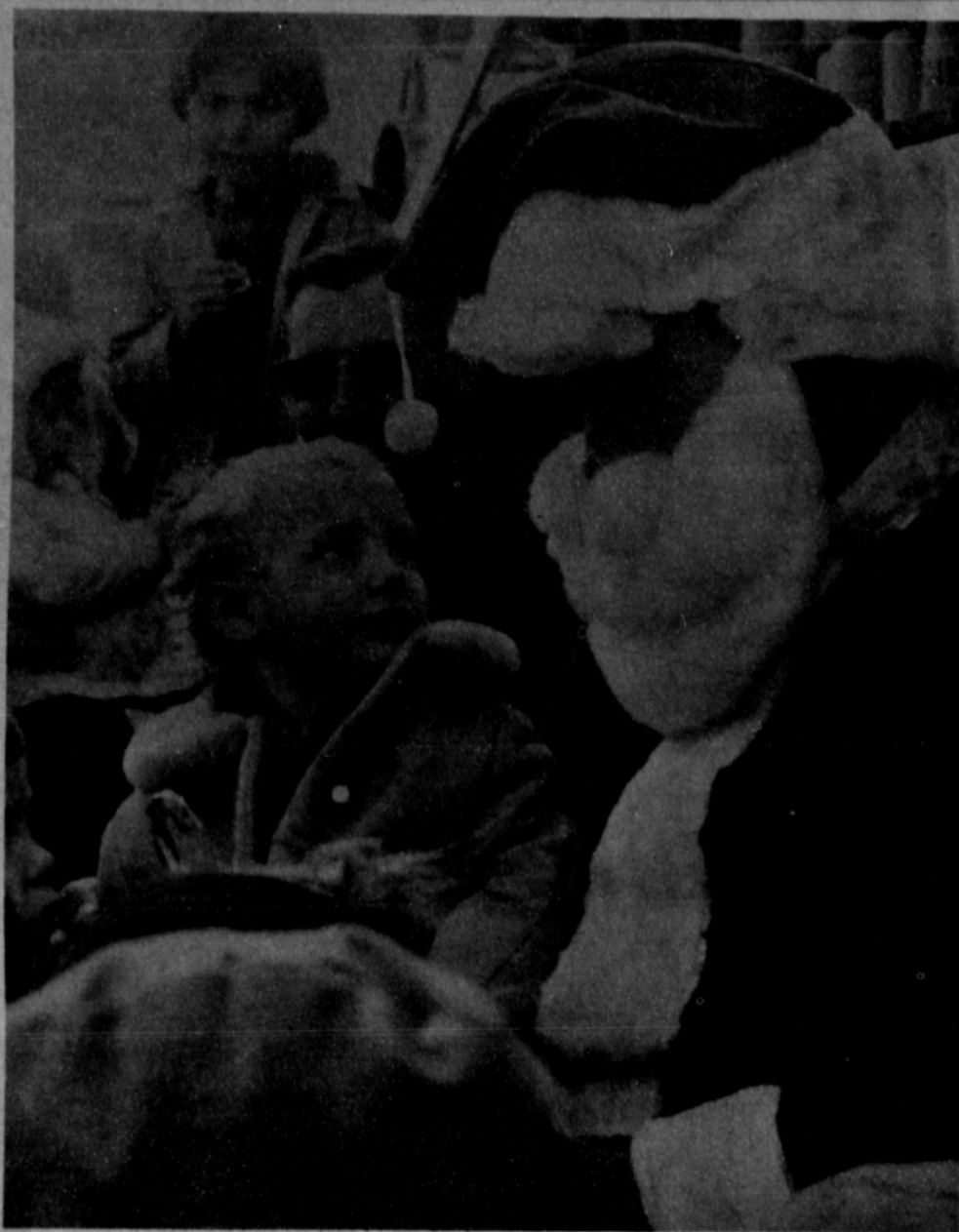
SANTA'S VILLAGE

Santa Claus, Indiana and Christmas, Florida pop into the news each Christmas season, and throughout the year are visited by thousands of tourists. Away out West, in the San Bernardino mountains not too far from Los Angeles, California, the star of popularity is fast rising for Santa's Village, a replica of the North Pole home of Santa Claus, complete with plenty of snow during the winter months . . . and including, of course, Santa himself, his elves, animals, toys, candy, and a 20-passenger sleigh.

NOT ALWAYS POPULAR

The practice of using Christmas trees as part of the Yuletide celebration was for many years looked upon as "pagan." This accounted for the slow acceptance of the custom after the Hessian soldiers in the American Revolution introduced the Christmas tree during the American Revolution. In fact, as late as 1851, a Cleveland minister created quite a controversy when he set up a tree in his church.

Frying chicken? Try dipping it into heavy cream before coating it with seasoned flour.



HO-HO-HO and what do you want for Christmas? Santa received his last minute Christmas orders when he arrived here Saturday noon.

PLAINSMAN PHOTO

Nollners Host Bridge Club

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Nollner were hosts to their club's Christmas bridge party December 16 in their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Mackie won the high prize and Mrs. Tommy White won the traveling prize.

Attending were Messrs. and Mmes. Louis Schnell, Sonny Nollner, James Lafr, Tommy White, Glen Mackie and Joan Crawford and the hosts.

Eddie Martin, a freshman at WTSC in Canyon, is home spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Martin.

Paulede Hester, a student at Phillips University, is home spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Hester.

Helen Greever, a student at WTSC in Canyon, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Greever.

Tall electric candles, flanking a doorway, are considered a perfect complement to any ornament hung on the door, or to the door itself. There's nothing prettier on a white door than a holly wreath with a full, red bow.

BIG TREES

Annually, the most famous and most photographed Christmas trees in the United States are those erected on the White House lawn and at Rockefeller Center in New York. The 1958 White House tree, an Engelmann spruce selected from the Kootenai National Forest in Montana, was so large it had to be loaded on two flatcars for the trip to Washington. It was trimmed to 78 feet before being raised and decorated, yet was still the tallest ever used on the White House lawn. The Rockefeller Center tree that same year was 65 feet high and 35 feet in diameter at the base. It came from Maine and was selected only after an intensive nine-month search to find the most perfectly shaped tree possible.

CANDLE CITY

Richmond, Virginia is building a reputation as the "City of Candlelight" through an annual holiday program which urges local residents and organizations to place an electric candle in the window during the Christmas season.

With few exceptions, the entire city cooperates.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Eaton Monday were his sister and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Bates and children from Upper Lake, Calif. The Bates were on their way to Shawnee, Okla.



There is an interesting legend concerning the origin of the use of tinsel on Christmas trees. According to the story, a kind old lady with a large family spent a great deal of time preparing a family Christmas tree with what neagre decorations she could afford. During the night spiders visited

and crawled from branch to branch of the tree, leaving their beautiful webs behind them.

Because the lady was good and kind, the legend continues, the Christ-child rewarded her by blessing the tree, thus transforming all the spider webs into shining silver.



Merry Christmas

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Class Enjoys Mexican Dinner

The Conqueror's Sunday School Class of the Union Church had their Christmas party in the parsonage Dec. 18.

They enjoyed a Mexican supper complete with Mexican oralines by candlelight and also exchanged gifts.

Ranch Party To Be Televised

The annual Boys Ranch Christmas Party will be televised this year on KGNC from 6:30 to 7:30 Christmas Eve.

The boys are receiving suits as Christmas gifts this year. A.R. Henderson of Gruver is the most recent person to donate to this Christmas fund and 265 suits have been bought. However, 60 more suits are needed in order for every boy to receive his gift. Anyone wishing to contribute may do so in care of Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, Amarillo, Texas.

Rev. and Mrs. George Bollinger, Cheri and Linnie are spending the Christmas holidays at Waco with his mother, Mrs. L.M. Bollinger and his brother and sister.

Union Church Has Party

The annual Christmas program of the Union Church was presented Dec. 22. An outstanding feature of the program was a dramatization of the song "Star of the East" done by the Junior and Intermediate girls.

The program included the children from the Nursery thru the Intermediate departments.

In conclusion, a sound and colored film "To Each A Gift" was shown.

Christmas treats of homemade cookies, candy, fruit and nuts were given to the residents of Pioneer Manor by the Ladies Group. The church is having services each Sunday afternoon at 2 during the month of December in the home.

Slash Steak Edges

Note to new cooks: When you are going to broil a thick steak, slash the fat around the edges so the meat won't curl during the broiling.

DATA FROM DALLAS—Old folk-saying in Big Dallas—"Doing good is no fun unless you are caught in the act." . . .

Mrs. Gates Hosts Circle

Mrs. Eddie Gates was hostess to the Alma Reed Circle in her home Wednesday morning, Dec. 16.

Mrs. Don Jones read the prayer calendar and Mrs. A.F. Loftin led in the prayer for missionaries.

The business meeting was conducted by Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Fred Holt led in the study "Frontiers of Advance".

Attending were Mmes. Luther Berry, W.H. Cox, Don Denham, A.F. Loftin, Lloyd Gilley, Fred Holt, Major Lackey and the hostess.

Altar Society Fetes Children

The Sacred Heart Altar Society sponsored a Christmas Party Sunday in the Farm Bureau Building for the children of the parish.

Hostesses were Mmes. Jerry Morris and Richard Reimund. Father Walko showed slides on the coming of Christ and on the birth of Christ.

Games were played and refreshments were served to 26 children and 8 mothers attending.



COME TO CHURCH

Church Directory

Apostolic Faith Church
V.E. (Hap) Blythe, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

Assembly of God Church
Rev. Vance Barker, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

Church of Christ
Charles Milner, Minister
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.
Worship 7:00 a.m.
Wed. Ladies Bible Class 9:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

Fellowship Baptist Church
W.S. Herring, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Preaching Service 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7:30 p.m.
Wed. Evening Service 7:30 p.m.

First Christian Church
Rev. W. Graham Pugh, Minister
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Youth Meetings 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
Wed. Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Rev. Luther M. Berry, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Training Union 5:30 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Evening Prayer Hour 7:30
Wed. Choir Rehearsal 8:45 p.m.

Oslo Lutheran Church
18 mi. N.W. of Gruver
Robert L. Cordes, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
(includes adults)
Worship Services 11:00 a.m.

First Methodist Church
Brother Charles Gates, Minister
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
M.Y.T. 6:30 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
Women's Society of Christian Serv. Wednesday 3:00 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal 7:30 p.m.

First United Presbyterian Church
Everett H. Cain, Jr., Pastor
Sunday Church School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Study Group 7:30 p.m.
Wed. Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.

Pentecostal Church
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Rev. Laudislaus Walko
Sundays 10:00 a.m.
Catechism Classes 11:00 a.m.
Week Days
Mon., Tues., Fri., Sat. 8:00 a.m.
Holy Days of Obligation 7:30 a.m.
First Friday of Month 7:00 a.m.

Spearman Lutheran Mission
Farm Bureau Bldg.
Robert Cordes, Pastor
Worship Services 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

Union Full Gospel Church
Rev. George R. Bollinger, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Bible Classes, Sunday 6:45 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

Waka Church of the Brethren
Lawrence Lehman, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 7 p.m.
Choir Practice . . . Wed. 7 p.m.
Adult Bible Study . Wed. 8 p.m.

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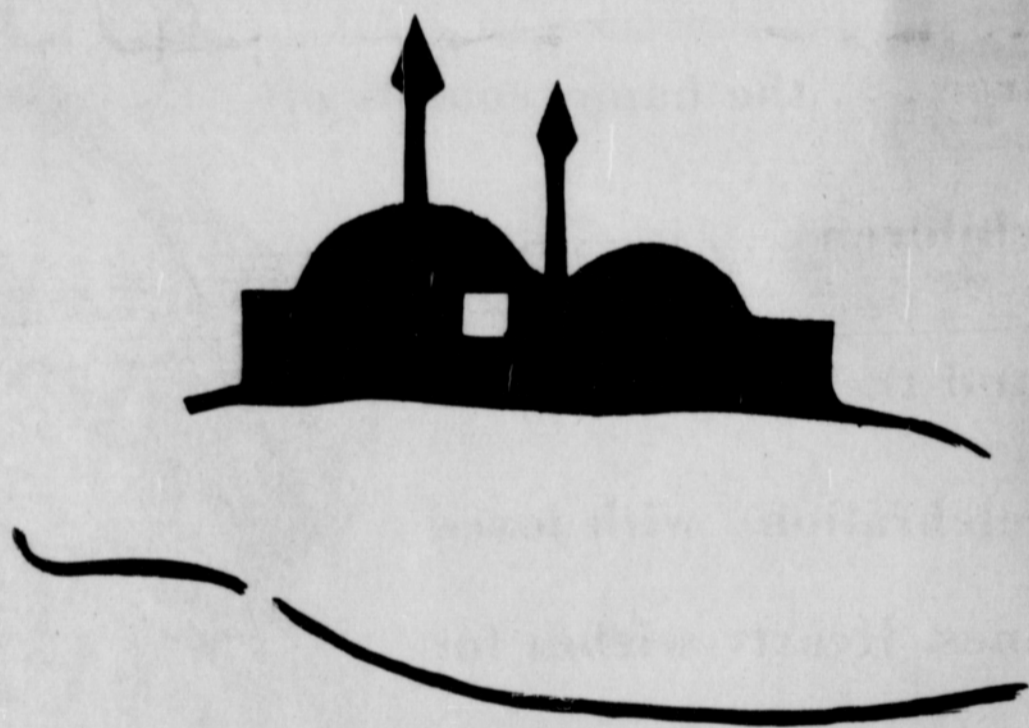
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Miss Thomas Gives Program

The Winnie White GA's met Wednesday night Dec. 16 at the First Baptist Church.

Cathy Dear presided at the business meeting and Sabrina McIver read the minutes of the last meeting.

Janese Thomas presented the program on "A Love Gift For The World". Forward step study followed the program.

Refreshments of cookies and pop were served by Janese Thomas to Cathy Dear, Sabrina McIver, Debbie McCoy, Lela Golightly, Susan Gates, Snellen Womble, LeAnn Smith, Valerie Uptergrove, a visitor, Teresa Beck and leaders, Pat Denham and Deloris Guthrie.

JEST A MINUTE

There's one thing to be said for grandchildren — they never pull out pictures of their grandparents.



The open fireplace so popular in today's modern homes is helping to renew the popularity of the Yule Log tradition. Few moderns are likely to venture into the woods to select their own Yule Log, yet there will be a glowing fire in thousands of homes this holiday eve.

If you are going to sit by the fireside this holiday, you'll be in keeping with tradition if your Yule Log is oak, ash, olive, apple or pine.

Ash is popular because it burns quickly, throws off ample heat and need not be seasoned. Beech has a pleasant aroma and gives off a steady glow. Oak is often preferred because it burns slowly.

Less favorable woods are the elm, which is slow to get started, and poplar, which sparks badly if it is unseasoned.

Christmas Program Is Presented At Meeting

A general meeting of the WSCS of the Methodist Church was held Dec. 16. The pro-

gram "The Birthday of a King" was presented in the sanctuary under the direction of Mrs. Bruce Sheets.

Mrs. Sheets opened the program with the reading of the Prophecy from Isaiah. Lewis Tilford sang a solo "Birthday of a King", accompanied by Mrs. Verna Lee Schnell. Mrs. Schnell presented an arrangement of Christmas music at the organ. Mrs. Pope Gibner read the Christmas story from Luke. Mrs. Robert Adamson and Mrs. Bill Strawn sang "There's A Song in the Air" accompanied by Mrs. Hubert Hayes.

Mrs. Sheets read a scripture from Matthew and the group sang "Silent Night" and then gave the benediction.

A business meeting conducted by Mrs. George Collard followed in the church parlor.

The Susannah Wesley Circle and the Mary Martha Circle will meet in a joint session for a study on the book of Genesis. The study will be led by Mrs. Sansing and will begin at 2 p.m. Jan. 13 in the church parlor.

Gifts of appreciation were presented to Mmes. Collard, Gates and Strawn.

Refreshments were served by hostesses Mrs. Ray Martin and Mrs. Bill Strawn to Mmes. Sell, Partridge, Sheppard, Hayes, Sansing, Jones, Lee, Trindle, Lyon, Rhodes, Grimes, Bowen, Gates, Gibner, Sheets, Collard and Adamson.

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FIRE TRUCK

Through the efforts of the Morse Lions Club a fire truck has been placed in the town for use by residents of the area. For some time the Lions have tried to secure such a truck and through arrangements with Hansford County officials, this has been accomplished.

The truck will be kept in the north end of the school bus barn until the Lions Club can raise the funds to build a building to house the truck. Each family in the community will be asked to help with the financing of this project.

The organization of a volunteer fire department will be carried out in the near future.

BAND ENTERTAINS PTA

Morse PTA met Thursday night at the school auditorium to hear a program presented by the music department assisted by students from the speech class.

Grades 1 and 2 presented vocal selections followed by grade 3 tonette class. The fourth and fifth grade band played several selections prior to the performance of the junior high and high school band. All of this was under the direction of the band director, Mr. Whittaker.

Speech students of Mrs. Mary Brown read the Christmas story.

Plans were made for the community Christmas tree on Christmas Eve. This will be held at the auditorium at 7 p. m.

OPEN HOUSE HELD

Students of the home economics department held open house Thursday afternoon. Homemaking girls in class I were hostesses for the affair assisted by the teacher, Mrs. R. B. Graves.

A large number of guests called during the receiving hours to view the new department and facilities.

HD CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Christmas party for the HD club was held at the home of Mrs. Tom Dortch on Thursday afternoon.

Recreation was led by Mrs. Jack Johnson, Sr., with a short program presented by Mrs. Mary Gillispie.

A gift exchange and the revealing of secret pals concluded the afternoons events.

Present were Mmes. Jack Johnson, Jack Crowl, M.W. McCloy, Ella Parks, Besse Henderson, Ed Hurley, Lynn Davis, Mary Gillispie, H.B. Parks, Lex Board, the agent Miss Linda Webb and the hostess.

WSCS HOLDS PARTY

A Christmas party for WSCS members was held at the home of Mrs. Pearl Dixon Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Lynn Davis was in charge of the program. This was followed by a gift exchange and the revealing of secret sisters.

Refreshments were served to Mmes. Lynn Davis, M.W. McCloy, Lex Board, H.H. Jones, Joe Walker, Jack Johnson, Gene Dixon and Pearl Dixon and to guests Mmes. Ray Alexander, Thane McCloy and Roberta Kelly.

MUSTANGS WIN THREE

Morse Mustangs basketball teams won three out of four games last week. On Tuesday night they traveled to Texline and both the Morse boys and girls won their games.

Friday night the teams from Hartley came to Morse and the Hartley girls edged Morse by two points. The Mustang boys team won over Hartley six points.

Following the school parties Friday, school was dismissed for the holidays and will not resume until Wednesday, Dec. 30. Students will attend classes Wednesday and Thursday with January 1 being a holiday. Mid semester exams will be held Jan. 5 and 6.

A number of Morse young people are home for the holidays. One person was heard to

remark, "It's like a homecoming."

Those at home for the holiday season are Wayne Board from WTSU, Donna Cator from McMurry, Britt and Jon Jarvis from Texas A&M, Carolyn and Jack Giblin and Frank Pittman from Panhandle A&M, Bill Pittman, Joyce Schick and Sharon Parks of Texas Tech, Tommy Womble from Hardin-Simmons University, Margaret Womble who teaches school at Springlake, Larry Kelly who has been working in Calif., and will soon be entering the armed forces, Jeanie and Tommy West of Pampa were also in town over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. L.L. Cook have had as their guests, their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. David Back, Byron and Mark of Stephenville.

Mrs. Don McCammond vis-

CAROLING

Carol sings are traditional in many great American cities. The custom is so popular in St. Louis that there is a Christmas Carols Association which has thousands of members. Residents welcome the carolers with lighted candles in their windows and offer voluntary contributions which are turned over to institutions for the handicapped and underprivileged. In New Orleans, carol sings are traditionally held across the street from historic St. Louis Cathedral, in the French Quarter. Youthful carolers sing songs in both English and French.

ited in Dalhart Saturday with Mrs. Merton Schmidt.

High School mothers entertained students with a party at the school cafeteria Saturday night.

Mrs. Ella Parks spent part of last week in Hugoton, Kans. visiting her daughter and family, the Charles Thompsons.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Seaton and sons spent the weekend in Amarillo and Clarendon on business and visiting relatives.

Letters To St. Nick

Dear Santa Claus,

I am trying so very hard to be a good little girl so you will visit my house. I would like to have a Ruthie doll with clothes and a play stove.

We have pretty cookies on our tree for you and I will leave you a glass of milk. Thank you and Merry Christmas Santa.

I love you,
Marcie Mobley

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little boy 2 and my little brother, Marty, is one. We are very busy but we try to be good. I would like a jeep and boat and a little train. Marty would like some little pull toys. Please remember all the other good little boys and girls. Thank you so much Santa, and we hope you have a very Merry Christmas.

We love you,
Mark and Marshall Mobley

STROKE FOR POLISH
Polish silver with horizontal
grooves and a central circle.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Pipkin were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert McNicol in Perryton.



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Christmas greetings for one and all, with a sincere thank you for your loyal and friendly patronage.

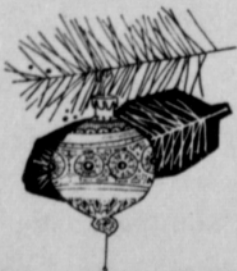
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