

# Season's Greetings

## Matador Tribune Christmas Revealed In Trip To Holy Land

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### TRAIL DUST

By DOUGLAS MEADOR



Love and the Spirit of Christmas are synonymous; a cartel between the heart and soul of mankind.

Christmas is the season when our dreams press their little faces against the windows of happiness and breathe fervent prayers.

Santa solved the problem of holes in my long ribbed stockings by placing the orange in first, the last time he came down the old gypsum rock fireplace at our house.

Politeness requires so little effort that we are apt to assume it is operated automatically.

Each generation is influenced by the implements of its culture and if a juvenile problem is current, its cause may be traced to the passing of the straight-edge razor, and accompanying strap.

Love is one gift that requires no more Christmas wrapping than a smile, no more transportation than a voice.

True compassion began with the first Christmas and its magnificence has inspired mankind to seek glory in humility. At its knee, the great learned simple truth of love.

If the heart could use a roadmap it would find all roads leading home at Christmas.

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From QUOTE, the Weekly Digest: We should remember that it was a Jew who wrote, "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want." It was an Episcopalian who wrote "O Little Town of Bethlehem." Martin Luther himself wrote "A Mighty Fortress is our God." It was a Presbyterian who wrote "Rock of Ages." A Catholic wrote "Silent Night." If we can share our hymns with one another, we should be able to do the same with other things. (Bible Coin Unity)

### Crabill Jones Rites Are Held

Services for Crabill C. Jones, 70, of Flomot, were held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday in the First United Methodist Church in Quitaque with the Rev. Sidney Parsley, pastor and J. D. Nance of the Rock Creek Church of Christ officiating.

Burial was in the Flomot Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Quitaque Funeral Home. Mr. Jones died at 9:15 a.m. Friday at his home after suffering an apparent heart attack. He was a native of Menopoc County, Okla. He moved to Motley County in 1915. He was married to Eliza Barton August 27, 1927, in Flomot. Mr. Jones was a rancher and farmer and was active in the American Quarter Horse Association. Survivors include his wife, a son, M. C. "Salty" Jones of Quitaque; a daughter, Mrs. Richard (Jane) Nall of Wellington; three brothers, John of Flomot, Ewel of



THE LITTLE DRUMMER BOY - Khanh Do, on the drum, and Mrs. Howard Traweck, at the piano, presented the musical selection, "The Little Drummer Boy," a song based on the story of the child who came to see the newborn Christ in the

By Mrs. Agnes Aaron  
A few weeks ago I traveled by bus from Nazareth to Bethlehem. We went along the same route that Joseph and Mary must have taken, so long ago. The road had been changed, of course, to accommodate modern travel, but the hills I looked out upon were the same as they were when Joseph and Mary went down to Bethlehem to be taxed.

What was Mary thinking about, I wondered, as she rode past the grave of Rachel on the road to Bethlehem. The reverie of my thoughts were broken when we came into the noisy, busy city of 55,000 which is modern Bethlehem. As we climbed the steps to the Church of the Nativity, the guide for the tour gave the history of the church, but I was only half listening; I kept thinking - how fortunate for Mary that there was no room for them in the Inn, because Mary was going to have a baby that night.

The inns of that day afforded no privacy. Each traveler brought his own bed

roll, and floor space was about all the inn keeper was able to provide.

There was no room for them in the inn simply because it was the time of the census taking, and many travelers had arrived before them. We are all familiar with the record that Mary and Joseph found refuge in a place where animals were kept. The place was a grotto that formed part of a house. The maternity ward for Mary was, no doubt, one of the limestone caves that are so common to that part of the Holy Land. Surely, if someone had known about the birth that would make Bethlehem the most revered town in history, they would have opened their homes to them, and their names would have been immortal. But Bethlehem went to sleep on that auspicious night all unmindful of the fact that the most glorious event of history was about to take place.

Upon entering the Church of Nativity I paused, with the group, for a lecture on history and tradition, and it seemed that I was in the little town on that first Christmas Eve. Bethlehem, then was not interested in babies; they had lots of babies. Bethlehem was interested in business, and business was good - inns were overflowing with people, and the crowds meant big business. Even the religious people had lost the meaning of the prophecies concerning the birth of Jesus. They were looking for a leader who would deliver them from Roman oppression. They wanted a leader who would slay their enemies and lift them high. They were not looking for a little baby that would make a woman cry.

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I felt so small and unworthy. I went into the tomb alone to pray, and the substance of my prayer was: Make the people of earth love each other and thank you, thank you, Jesus.

In the Church of the Holy Sepulchre one may find the true meaning of Christmas; for without the empty grave at Jerusalem there would be no Christmas.

The visit to the Holy Land has made the Bible more real to me. It was a very rich and rewarding experience. However, the presence of Christ is just as real to me here at home as He was there in the Holy Land. This is not a surprise to me, because Christ is no longer bound by time or space, neither is Christmas bound to a certain time and a certain place. Since the resurrection of Jesus and the coming of the Holy Spirit, Jesus is able to transcend time and place. He is eternal and He is everywhere. David knew this when he said, "Where shall I go to flee from the Presence? If I ascend up to Heaven, behold, thou art there; if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there."

We do not travel literally, to Bethlehem to find Christ this Christmas season, for Christ is in Matador, waiting for hearts to invite Him in. He comes only where he is invited and stays where he is well treated. One may hear the angels sing, just as they sang so long ago, what the shepherds heard one may hear, what they saw, one may see. It only takes a response of the human heart to God's love.

The Holy Land is rewarding to Christians who visit it because emphasis is placed upon Jesus. The whole idea of Christmas can be summed up in a very few words, generally speaking - just the name Jesus thrills the heart and sets the mind to spinning. "For there is something about that name."

On my visit to the Mount of Olives I remembered that Jesus often would go there. Jerusalem is spread out before you as you look from the Mount of Olives and from this Mount Jesus looked upon the city and wept. I walked from the Mount to the Garden of Gethsemane, and as I looked over into the garden, I heard my daughter sing, "Neath The Old Olive Trees" and I remembered Jesus and His prayer, "Not my will, but thine be done."

From the garden I walked across the brook Kidron that runs through the Kidron valley and I thought on that night so long ago the brook must have been red because of all the blood that went into it from the Passover lambs that had been slain. From the Kidron valley to the place of trial and torture and the sentencing to the death I walked, even up the incline called the "Via Dolorosa" to the place of Golgotha, where the Church of the Holy Sepulchre was located; and it was all so precious, but Jesus made it precious. If Jesus had never been there it would have been a tiring and often boring trip, but Jesus made it wonderful.

Until one really knows Jesus there is no Christmas. All else is outward display - so much tinsel and decoration. For it is not the holy and the snow, it is not the tree nor the firelight's glow, neither is it feasting and good fellowship. Christmas is Christ. He is the giver of good gifts and His blessings upon us are many this Christmas, but it is the gift of Himself that is able to give to the human heart the Peace that passeth understanding. The Peace that the world can't take away.

Merry Christmas everyone.

### Lions To Sponsor Second Blood Drive

SECOND Blood Drive sponsored by Matador Lions Club will be held January 6, from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. it was announced this week. The blood bank will be located in the basement of the First Baptist Church. Eligible to donate blood are persons 17 to 65 years old. Seventeen year olds however, must have permission from their parents, by using minor donor permits. These permits may be acquired at the Bob Stanley Pharmacy.

### Rites Held For J.S. Perryman

Funeral services for J.S. Perryman, 67, of Matador were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20 at the Afton First Baptist Church. Officiating was Rev. O. L. DeWees, pastor. Burial was in Afton Cemetery under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home. Masonic graveside rites were conducted by the Matador Masonic Lodge.

Mr. Perryman died shortly before 7:00 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 18 at his home in Matador. Death was attributed to a heart attack. Jimmy Smith Perryman was born February 13, 1908 in Quanah, Texas. He moved to Dickens County in 1928 and made his home near the Afton community. In 1964 he purchased the Trail Dust Motel and moved to Matador. Mr. Perryman was married to the former Clemmie Gipson, who survives him. He was preceded in death by one son, Roy, who died in 1964. Mr. Perryman was a member of the Baptist Church, and of the Masonic Lodge of Matador.

Besides his wife he is survived by four sons, Elvis of Lubbock, Ray of Carrollton, Dean of Kuwait, and Delbert of Tyler; one daughter, Mrs. A. M. Whitefield (Dorothy) of Matador; two brothers, six sisters, 12 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Surviving as pallbearers were, Raby Webb, Billy Wason, Mike Hoyle and Fred Crenshaw, all of Matador; James Baker, Luther Harris and Pete Hext of Afton, and Wallace Conway of Dickens.

### Cheerio! Rites Held For Former Resident

Funeral services for Mrs. Wade Berryman, 46, of Meade, Kansas, former Matador resident, were held at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 24 at the Church of Christ. Officiating were H. L. Gipson, minister of the West Amarillo Church of Christ in Amarillo, and Jack Wade, local minister. Interment was in East Mound Cemetery, Matador, under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home.

Mrs. Berryman passed away late Sunday Dec. 21, in Meade, following a long illness. The former Nan Lacy was born August 19, 1929 at Turkey, Texas. She attended schools in Turkey and was married there to Wade Berryman, January 18, 1948. They made their home in Matador from 1949 until moving to Meade in 1967. Her cheerfulness during long periods of hospitalization was an inspiration to her many friends, family and relatives. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

She is survived by her husband; two sons, Mike and Jeff Berryman, both of the home; one daughter, Mrs. David Rattan (Sharlene) of Meade; her mother, Mrs. Babe Lacy Harwood of Canyon; two brothers, Fred Lacy and Johnny Lacy, both of Amarillo; one sister, Mrs. H. A. Mullin (Laverne) of Levelland; and one grandson, Dax Rattan, of Meade. Services in Meade were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday.

### EYE INJURED IN GUN MISHAP

Mickey Brooks, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Brooks, Roaring Springs, was shot in the eye in a gun mishap Sunday. He was taken to Methodist Hospital, Lubbock for treatment, and has been sent from there, to a specialist in Dallas.

Mrs. Blanche L. McMakin of Wichita Falls visited overnight Sunday, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Kimbell.

### Holiday Closing Dates

Several places of business have announced plans for closing for Christmas holidays, in addition to those who made announcements last week.

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### County Agent Pallmeyer Says

If you grow plants in containers, the following may help you solve your problems. Most city waters contain salts, and with regular watering, the water evaporates or is used up by the plants, leaving the salts to weaken the roots. This salt can be removed by excess watering that will pass the salt through the root zone, draining off the excess water used for the process. Fertilizers also contain salts, therefore use in proper amounts and only when needed. Ideally, rain water or distilled water should be used.

Lack of oxygen due to compaction of the soil, excessive root growth or overwatering causes most plants to suffer. If the soil is hard, try removing the plant from the container, breaking up the soil, and start over.

Greenbugs are becoming a problem in some fields and controls may be needed as beneficials stop working at higher temperatures than do the greenbugs. The greenbug can reproduce at temperatures between 55 and 95 degrees, with some reproduction down to 40 degrees. Reproduction of natural enemies all but stops at temperatures below 55, thereby resulting in buildups of the damaging insects. Some greenbugs are killed overnight by 0 degree temperature, but it takes 20 degrees or below for 7 days or longer for a great reduction of the greenbug population.

Keeping this in mind, if insects are present, make sure they are greenbugs before applying controls. Oat Bird-Cherry aphids and Corn Leaf Aphids are also found on small grains, but these insects feed on the top side of the leaves while the greenbug feeds on the bottom side of the leaf. Seldom is control of the Oat Bird-Cherry aphid or Corn Leaf aphid warranted, but damage by the greenbug is emphasized by the turning of the leaf color to yellow or orange. At first this is noted in spots, which grow

larger as the infestation increases and as plants die. If the insects are found on the ground about the only way you can tell which is which is with a magnifying glass. I have leaflets which will help you determine which is which.

If greenbugs are present, several things should be considered before applying controls. First, the larger and healthier the plant, the more greenbugs the plants can stand. For plants 3 to 6 inches tall, control may be justified if there are from 100 to 300 per linear foot of drill row; 4 to 8 inches of growth, this count increases to 200 to 400; and for 6 to 16 inches, the count increases to 300 to 800. The more moisture present, the more vigorous the plant, and the older the plant, the more greenbugs they can stand, and along this line, irrigated small grain can stand more greenbugs than dryland.

If controls are called for, applications should be made when the temperature is above 65, but can be applied as low as 50 if the higher rates are used. Also, the calmer the day, the better the results.

Effective insecticide controls of greenbugs include methyl parathion, parathion, malathion, disulfoton and dimethoate. With parathion and methyl parathion, fields should not be grazed for 15 days, and as malathion is less toxic, grazing can be resumed 7 days after treatment. Dimethoate should be used on wheat only, with no grazing for 14 days, while disulfoton should not be used on small grain fields which are grazed. In all cases, be sure to follow the recommendations on the label.

Finally, only regular checks can determine the situation in a particular field.

The day may come when burn victims may commonly have their wounds treated with fresh pigskins.

This new use of pigskin is a tremendous but little known benefit to the public, but researchers have developed storable procaine biologic dressings in fresh frozen, frozen irradiated and dried forms. To date, 200,000 square feet of pigskins have been applied to some 40,000 burn victims.

Dr. Gilbert Hollis, area

specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service at Lubbock, says that the Burn Treatment Skin Bank in Phoenix, Arizona has reported that pigskin is used as temporary dressing to decrease wound pain, limit bacterial growth and facilitate movement of involved joints.

The Phoenix Bank is processing fresh pigskins into topical dressings for burns known as xenografts. It is considered to be similar to human skin, and its plentiful supply and ready availability have stirred increasing interest.

Hollis says that to insure quality split-thickness grafts, the dressings are prepared from five to six-month old hogs yielding healthy hides. The skins are thoroughly cleansed, inspected and processed according to the form desired, and packaged.

Improper pruning can ruin a good tree, so beware of "tree butchers!" Before deciding to prune trees, be sure you know how the job should be done.

If trees are becoming too crowded, remove some of them rather than topping all of them. If they are growing into electric or telephone lines, an opening should be pruned in them through which lines can pass, or remove the trees and replace with lower growing species. Topping trees is a poor practice, as it often results in their death.

Two bad results often occur from topping. Branches that have been topped cannot heal as the open wounds are avenues for entry of decay fungi and bacteria. These organisms frequently spread throughout the tree and cause its destruction, while branches or sprouts that grow below topped stubs are weakly attached, and as they grow are easily torn from the tree by wind or ice.

If trees need to be trimmed, remove the limb to an adjoining branch or take it out completely at the point of origin, always pruning off a limb as close as possible to the limb or trunk from which it is growing. Use a protective tree paint if the pruning wound is over 1 1/2 inches in diameter.

## Candles Light the Way to Christmas

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



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

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

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

establishments.

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

### Camels Are Most Picturesque of Bible Animals

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

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

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

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

### ASS ESSENTIAL TO EVERY DOMAIN

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

Thou shalt know Him  
when He comes,  
Not by any din of drums,  
Nor by vantage of  
His airs,  
Nor by anything He  
wears,  
Neither by His crown  
Nor His gown.  
But His presence  
known shall be  
By the holy harmony  
Which His coming  
makes in thee.

Author Unknown

### ST. NICK RESTORED

When Queen Victoria married German Prince Albert, Christmas visits of St. Nicholas (and the gift-giving) came back to England, three centuries after Henry VIII had banned the traditions when he broke away from the Catholic faith and formed the Church of England.

## Burning the Yule Log

The burning of the Yule log is a custom handed down by the English who settled in America. On Christmas eve the log, set on the hearth, is kindled with the remains of the log from the previous year. Many superstitions surround the Yule log. It was thought by some to protect their home from evil spirits, others thought the ashes would help swollen glands! At Williamsburg Lodge, in Williamsburg, Virginia, the burning of the Yule log is still part of their traditional holiday celebration.

### Christmas Eve Legend

In Iceland, Christmas Eve is the holiest night of the entire holiday season. Legend has it that on the night before Christmas, many years ago, dwarfs, elves and other "little folk" danced in the streets.

**Christmas  
Cheer**

May the season bloom with joy!

Matador Floral Company

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SUNDAY



O, Holy  
Night

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SEASONS

GREENING

FROM  
THE  
TRIBUNE

George  
Donovan  
Mary Reak  
Blinda  
Williams  
Lila Maddox



## Coffee Break

By David and Eunice Bigelow

Did you know that in ancient times coffee was ground between two smooth stones? Later on, the Romans used a simple mortar and pestle. Marie Antoinette, in her luxurious way, had a jewel-encrusted gold grinder while Martha Washington relied on a plain wooden wall mill. Nowadays we have the ease of ready-to-make instant coffees with the delight of added flavors. Just heat water and try any one of R.C. Bigelow's six excitingly different flavors—chocolate, anisette, orange-and-spice, apricot, cinnamon and mint—and you're set for a new taste adventure.

## The Legend of Befana

Families of Italian origin are familiar with Befana. In these days of woman's lib, it is interesting to hear about this legendary lady.

When the Three Kings were on their search for the Holy Child, they passed the house of Befana as she was sweeping and cleaning her house. In answer to her inquiry, they told her of their search. She asked to go with them, but they continued on their way without waiting for her to finish her chores. When Befana tried to overtake them she failed, and so was unable to worship the Holy Babe with them.

Since then, the woman Befana wanders the earth seeking her lost opportunity. Italian children believe Befana rides through the air on a broomstick, on the eve of January 6, which marks the Feast of Kings, still seeking the Christ Child. She goes down chimneys, leaving presents for the girls and boys, as the Wise Men brought gifts to the Holy Child.

In Russia, the same custom was once familiar, though the lady there was known as Baboushka.

## Carols and Candles

Carols and candles bring added spirit and luster to Christmas.

The word "carol" comes from the middle English *carolen*, meaning "to sing joyously." The majority of our most familiar carols date from the nineteenth century. Some researchers believe that carol singing could be a carryover from the Roman songs of the Saturnalia. Francis Scott Key, noted lawyer and author of The Star Spangled Banner, also wrote carols. It is little known that the comedian Harpo Marx, of the famous Marx Brothers, also authored a popular Christmas carol.

Caroling on Christmas Eve is a tradition brought to America by our English forbears, that delights us all at holiday time.

**CANDLES**—Special lighting effects as we now know them, elaborate and colorful at Christmas, started with the romantic glow of holiday candles. Placing lighted candles in the window on Christmas eve is believed to have started in Boston. There are elaborate electric light shows in almost all large American cities, but candles still sell in the millions, showing that Americans enjoy their soft glow and associations.

Happy Holiday



A YULETIDE WISH

May the blessings of Christmas abide in your house. Our warm thanks.

Pete Williams  
Texaco

## Christmas Eve Tree Trimming Snack

Tree trimming is twice as much fun when everyone pitches in! When the last star is in place and it's time to relax and admire your lovely tree, a cup of cheer and a slice of holiday bread will be welcome.

### Mulled Fruit Punch

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 - 46 oz. can orange fruit punch | 6 whole allspice        |
| 1 - 46 oz. can apricot nectar     | 8 inches stick cinnamon |
|                                   | ½ lemon sliced thin     |

Combine all ingredients in large saucepan; bring to boil. Cover and simmer for 10 minutes. Remove from heat and let stand for ½ hour. Reheat and strain spices out. Garnish with orange slices studded with cloves, after pouring into punch bowl. Makes about 20 servings, punch cup size.

### Bubbly Cranberry Punch

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|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| 2 cans jellied cranberry sauce (16 oz. size) | 1½ cups orange juice                                |
| ½ cup lemon juice                            | 2 large bottles chilled ginger ale (28 oz. bottles) |

Beat cranberry sauce until smooth and stir in lemon and orange juices. Empty several trays of ice cubes into a punch bowl and pour mixture over them. Carefully add ginger ale and mix. Serve in punch cups. About 20-25 cups.



### Yummy Frosted Holiday Bread

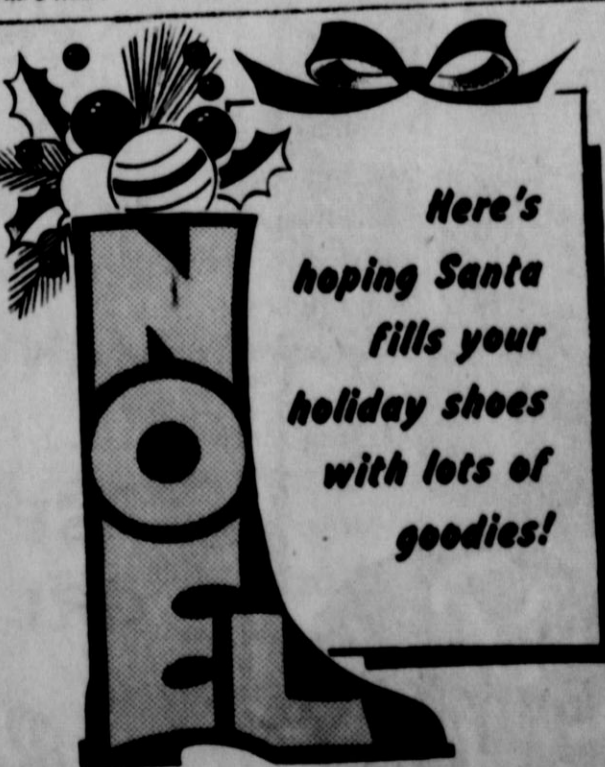
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| 1 - 13¾ oz. pkg. hot roll mix                    | ½ cup mixed candied fruits       |
| ¾ cup warm water                                 | 1 cup white raisins              |
| 1 egg                                            | ½ tsp. ground cardamom           |
| 2 tbsp. granulated sugar                         | 1 cup sifted confectioners sugar |
| 2 tbsp. butter melted (margarine, if you prefer) | 2 tbsp. light cream              |
|                                                  | Candied cherries                 |
|                                                  | Sliced almonds                   |

## Have a Merry Christmas



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Cowboy Boot & Shoe Shop  
D.L. & MAYE DAMRON

Sprinkle yeast from hot roll mix over warm water, in large bowl. Stir to dissolve. Add egg, granulated sugar and butter, mix well. Stir in fruit, raisins, cardamom, and flour mix from hot roll mixture. Cover; let rise in warm place about 45 minutes, till mixture about doubles. Turn out on lightly floured board and knead 10 strokes. Shape into ball; place in 9-inch pie plate and flatten. Let rise about 30 minutes, till doubled. Bake in 375° oven for about 30-35 minutes, covering with foil if it browns too quickly. Remove from pie plate and cool on rack. Mix together the sifted confectioners sugar and cream; drizzle over bread. Trim with candied cherries and almonds in wreath shape. Perfect for serving after tree trimming.

## Christmas in New Mexico

New Mexico, Land of Enchantment, is so called because of the beauty of its land and the history of its people. The Spanish conquerors who came to the area from Mexico, in 1540, to search for legendary gold, found only six small villages where Indians lived. The conquerors named the Indians *Pueblo*, a Spanish word for village.

In New Mexico, at the Santa Domingo Indian pueblo, the Christmas season is honored with a four day long, sacred ritual dance.

At 2 A.M. Christmas day

it starts. After midnight mass, the Indians gather inside the church, wearing colorful costumes decorated with everything from evergreen branches to fox tails. The dancers carry on their ceremonials until dawn, when they move to their sacred plaza, where they continue dancing through the day.

The children dance on the second day, and on the third, the older members of the tribe take over.

The entire pueblo joins in day-long ceremonies on the last day, so ending this special celebration.

## Winter In Ruidoso

The following article was written by Jackie Shirlene Smith, who is employed by Glen Pike and the Ruidoso Magazine. Shirlene is a 1975 high school graduate and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Smith, former residents of Matador. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ashley of Roaring Springs. Throughout high school, Shirlene was presented with numerous awards for her writing abilities, and has written for various school publications. She is now a member of the "International Honorary Society for High School Journalists" and plans to continue study for her career in writing.

By Shirlene Smith

What is winter in Ruidoso made up of? It's skies and snows and warm wrapped up toes. It's sleds and skates and caroling dates. Ruidoso's winters are these things and so very much more, for when Mother Nature finds that winter is approaching, she

goes into a frenzy of preparation. She takes out her paints and brushes and begins...

Soft, white snow shines from the trees and hillsides. It drips silently off houses and stores throughout the village. Hidden away between the tall, dark pines stand homey, log cabins, where the people inside, sit thawing their toes by brightly burning logs in the fireplace. Outside pine-scented, smoke curls its way out of chimneys and fills the air with woody smells.

Mother Nature was quite generous with the snow on Sierra Blanca this past winter. She thrilled over 116 thousand skiers with 280 inches of snow on the ski area, thus providing 157 days of excellent skiing conditions.

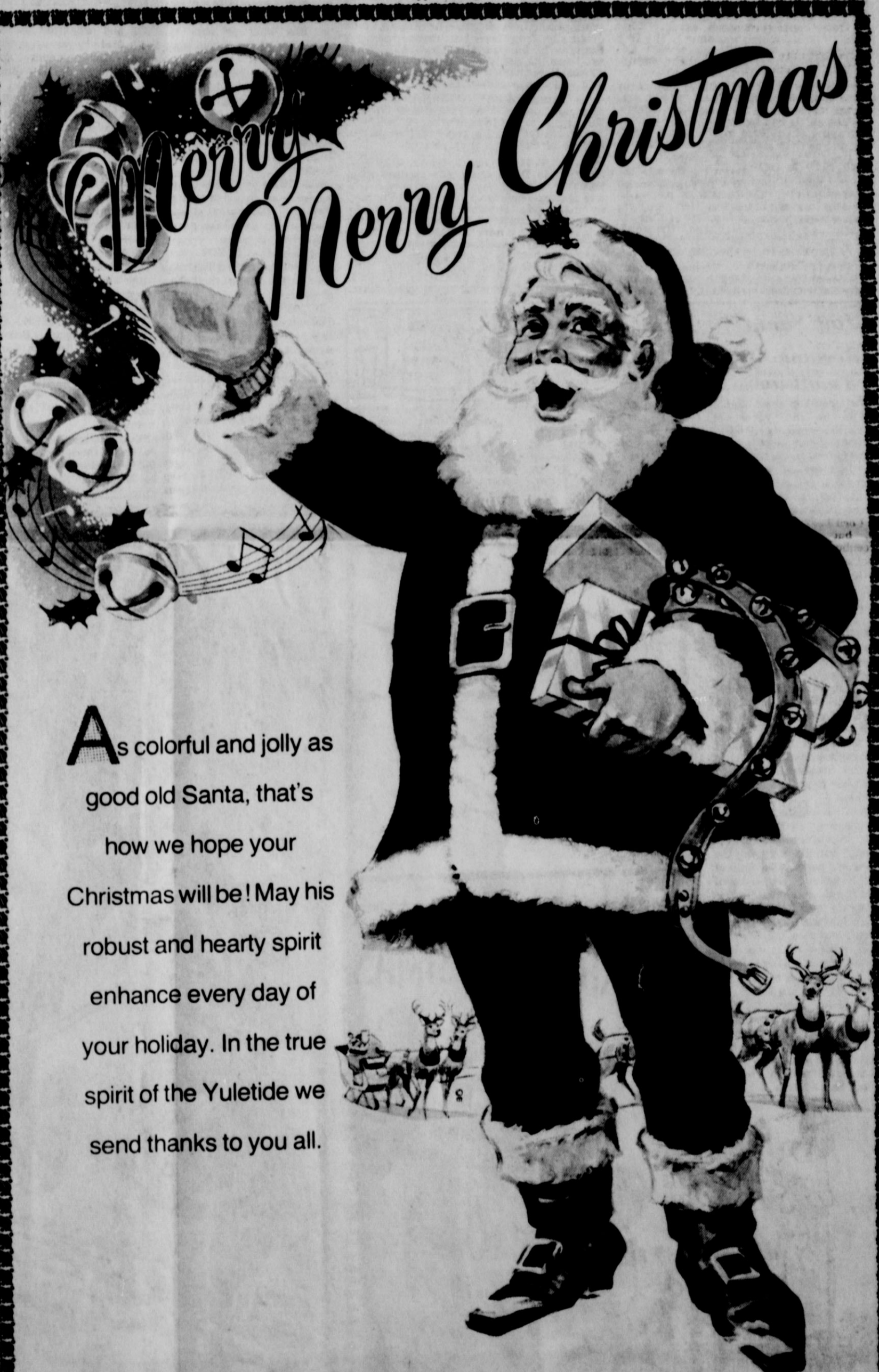
Laughter rang from the Cedar Creek Recreational Area, the hillsides and even some private yards and driveways where, adults as well as children, took a turn at sledding or tubing. Cries of

"Watch out!" and "Here I come!" rang merrily through the woods as they came; some easily, some bouncing and some just hanging on for dear life.

So, Ruidoso saw another winter. And what a winter was the one for 1974-75. Plenty of snow, plenty of skiing, loads of fun and a winter wonderland of sights and views. We have seen many a winter such as this one that just passed, and each time we see spring approaching, we are not sad for spring is another totally beautiful season, all to itself. We know that another winter will be coming in no time at all, and after all, the winters of Ruidoso seem to be enjoyed more each passing year.

### ROUND TABLE

King Arthur's Round Table is traditionally believed to have been the site of the first Christmas feast. References to the famous king have been traced back to as early as 600 A.D.



As colorful and jolly as good old Santa, that's how we hope your Christmas will be! May his robust and hearty spirit enhance every day of your holiday. In the true spirit of the Yuletide we send thanks to you all.

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# First Christmas Carols

The first carols were dance songs, or ring songs, sung by villagers around a Maypole, or to celebrate other festive occasions throughout the year, during the Middle Ages. Later they became more exclusively associated with Christmas.

The word "carol" derives from the Greek and Latin word "chorales" meaning "chorus." The phrase, "Christmas Carols" first appeared during the 16th century in England in little songbooks printed by Wynken de Worde and Richard Kele.

**DANCE CAROLS** — Best examples of these rounds or ring dances are still to be found in Sweden, where people dance around the tree singing many rollicking songs. Elsewhere, dance carols are merely songs, although many of the tunes are known to inspire dancing feet.

**SHEPHERD CAROLS**, of and about the shepherds to whom the angels appeared, and their coming to the stable with humble gifts are the most human and appealing accounts of Christ's birth. They were sung to accompany the vivid portrayals of this scene in the medieval "mystery" plays, which were common in England as well as all other European countries. Best known today is the traditional English carol, "While Shepherds Watched."

**LULLABY CAROLS** were among the earliest Christmas songs and like all cradle songs have a rocking, lulling rhythm and a simple melody. "Cradle rocking" carols or "Kindelwiegen" were a part of the church ritual in Germany and Austria.

A good example of this type of carol is the 16th century English carol, "What Child Is This?" which was sung to the 16th century dance tune, "Greensleeves." Another is the 19th century American anonymous carol, "Away In A Manger."

One of the most beautiful of all lullaby carols is the "Coventry Carol," which was a part of one of the English medieval "mysteries." It is sung by a group of women, portraying Bethlehem mothers just before Herod's soldiers slaughter their babies.

**CAROLS OF THE MAGI** — The arrival of the Magi with precious gifts for the Christ Child is the most picturesque and colorful part of all Christmas pageants. The Magi songs all tell this rich, spiritual story. Among the most familiar of these to Americans is "We Three Kings," the words and music for which were written by John Henry Hopkins, Jr. in the 19th century.

**NATIVITY CAROLS** — There are many varieties of these. The first hymns in honor of the Nativity were written in Latin during

the 5th century, when Christmas was fully established as one of the great church feasts. It was not until the 13th century, when St. Francis of Assisi inspired his friends to write in their native tongue, that Nativity Songs were written for the people to sing. From Italy, these Nativity Songs spread throughout all Europe.

Two of the most familiar of these to us are: "Joy To The World," written by Isaac Watts in the 17th century and the 18th century German "Stille Nacht" (Silent Night) by Joseph Mohr. The original musical called for a guitar accompaniment.

**LEGENDARY CAROLS** spring from the folklore of people throughout the world inspired by superstitions and pre-Christian beliefs. One thing they have in common is that they all tell a story.

Most well known of these is the traditional English "I Saw Three Ships," "The Boar's Head Carol" both from the Middle Ages, the latter of which is still sung at Christmas dinner at Queens College, Oxford, as the boar's head is ceremoniously brought in. "Good King Wenceslas," written by J. M. Neale in the 18th century is about a fervent Christian Duke of Bohemia.

**CAROLS OF CUSTOM** deal with pre-Christian customs that have become attached to Christmas celebrations. For example, the yule log and mistletoe of England go back to the Druids. Decking the halls with boughs of holly and evergreen come from the Hebrews, Egyptians, Romans and other ancient peoples, for whom the evergreens were symbolic of life triumphant over death. The wreath came originally from the ivy crown worn by Romans in Bacchanalian festivals. "Was-sail" was the Anglo-Saxon drinking pledge, "Waes-Hael" which means "Be in health" and which was part of Early Saxon feasts.

"O Tannenbaum" (O Christmas Tree) the traditional German carol goes back to the early days of wandering tribes, who would always leave a grove of trees in the middle of the land they cleared.

**CAROLS FOR THE TWELVE DAYS** — During the 8th century, the 12 days from Nativity to Epiphany were declared a festive season, celebrated in medieval England by many gay customs including, jousts, banquets, caroling and "mumming," which originally was a sort of pantomime dance performed by masked and costumed groups. Best known of these carols are the traditional English "God Rest Ye Merry," and "The Twelve Days of Christmas," which is based on an old French rhyme and chant.

# Place Names In Texas Is Subject Of Dissertation

By Dr. Donald A. Gill  
(The following article by Dr. Donald A. Gill of Lafayette, La., is his dissertation for the Ph. D. degree from East Texas State University, and is a linguistic analysis of the place names of the Texas Panhandle. He writes: "Motley County was included in my study. And since this information pertains to the people in your area, I thought they might enjoy my sharing my findings with them... You might be interested in knowing that I am a native son of West Texas and a graduate of West Texas State University, B. A. 1960")

"What's in a name?" If Shakespeare had thought more deeply about that question, perhaps he would not have had Juliet ask it. To some people, a great deal lies in a name, especially a place name. Each name that lies on this land of ours is indicative of the people who live there, and it reveals the history, the folklore, the every-day events that happen to these people.

Listed below are the name origins of all the place names which appear on the General Highway Map of Motley County:

**ALAMOSA CREEK.** Alamosa is an Indian word for "willow." The many willow trees along its banks gave this creek its name.

**BALLARD CREEK.** An early settler named Ballard filed on the land at the head of the creek.

**BITTER LAKE CREEK.** The salty and bitter water of this creek suggested its name. Another story is that the water is bitter because bitter weeds grow around it.

**BLUFF CREEK.** The high bluffs along the banks of this creek suggested its name.

**BUZZ AIRFIELD.** Joe M. "Buzz" Thacker owns this airfield.

**DUTCHMAN CREEK.** A Dutchman and his wife lived

on the banks of this creek in a dugout in the early days. Another version is that Dutch buffalo hunters hunted and camped near the creek.

**FLOMOT.** This town is located near the county line of Floyd and Motley Counties. Thus the name is a blend of the two county names.

**HACKBERRY CREEK.** Many hackberry trees grow along its banks.

**LONGS BRANCH.** The Long family were early settlers in the county.

**MATADOR.** The founder of the famous Matador Ranch loved Spanish names and called his ranch Matador, the Spanish word for the man who kills the bulls in bullfights. The town was then named in honor of the ranch.

**MACBAIN.** A man named MacBain was once the bookkeeper and manager of the Matador Ranch.

**MOTLEY COUNTY.** Created from Bexar Territory in 1876 and organized in 1891 with Matador as its county seat, Motley County was named for Dr. Julius William Motley, who was killed at the Battle of San Jacinto. The name was supposed to have been spelled with two t's but was erroneously spelled with one t in the statutes creating it.

**NORTHFIELD.** A man from up north moved to the community and named it after the town from which he came.

**PEASE RIVER (also TONGUE RIVER).** This river was named by Jacob de Cordova for Governor E. M. Pease of Texas.

**QUITAQUE CREEK.** The town of Quitaque in Briscoe County provided the name for this creek. Quitaque is a Comanche Indian word which is generally understood to mean "horse manure."

**ROARING SPRINGS.** The roaring of the springs as they fell to Dutchman Creek could be heard for two or three miles.

**ROARING SPRINGS OIL FIELD.** The proximity of the oil field to the town provided the name.

**ROBERTS CREEK.** The Roberts family were early settlers in the county.

**RUSSELVILLE.** The Ed Russell family were early settlers in the area.

**RUSTLER CREEK.** A group of thieves camped near this creek and rustled cattle. The rustlers were arrested, but not until after a battle with the cattlemen of the area.

**SODA DRAW.** A windmill which pumps water with a soda taste is located near this draw.

**SUMMIT.** The location of this railroad switch on an elevation gave it its name.

**TEE PEE CITY.** This name was taken from nearby Tee Pee Creek.

**TEE PEE CITY.** One source states that this creek was named for the teepees of Indians who camped along its banks. Another states that the first houses built along this creek were pointed at the top like tents.

**TOM BALL CREEK.** Tom Ball was an early settler near the creek.

**TONGUE RIVER (also PEASE RIVER).** Ed D. Smith, an old-time cowboy, said that this river was originally named Tongue River when several hundred buffalo were located here and took the "Black Tongue," a disease, and all of them died near the river.

**TURKEY CREEK.** This area once served as the roosting place for a great number of turkeys.

**TURTLE CREEK.** Numerous soft-shelled turtles lived in this creek.

**WHITEFLAT.** The community was located in a large flat that was covered with needle grass that took on a whitish color when it was mature.

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Every day that is born into the world comes like a burst of music, and rings itself all the day through; and thou shalt make of it a dance, a dirge, or a life march, as thou wilt.

St. Francis de Sales

## ANIMAL FEASTS


Ancient tradition has it that animals helped spread the joyous tidings of the Birth of Christ. Because of this, barnyard animals in many countries are served a special supper on Christmas eve.

Cattle kneel in their stalls at midnight, on Christmas eve, and for a moment have the power of speech. This belief, an old German legend, has been broadened to include all animals.

## WHITE HOUSE CHRISTMAS TREE

In 1923, the first National Community Christmas Tree in the United States was set up on the White House lawn. The tree was a spruce from President Calvin Coolidge's home state, Vermont.

The following year, he presided at a ceremony under the sponsorship of the American Forestry Association, to urge the use of living Christmas trees.



# Rejoice

As the world celebrates the coming of Christ, we rejoice and give thanks for our many blessings.

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## How Santa Became A Tradition

The tradition that Santa Claus is the giver of Christmas presents comes to us from a fourth century German legend of St. Nicholas (Santa Claus is a German corruption of the name). When St. Nicholas learned of three young women who were unable to attract suitors because of their father being too poor to provide them with a dowry, he filled three bags with gold one night and threw them into the windows of the rooms of the young women. Soon after, they were all happily married. Unexpected gifts thereafter attributed to St. Nicholas.

The myth that Santa Claus descends the chimney to fill the stockings comes from the Norsemen. Their legend tells us that at the winter solstice the goddess Hertha appeared in their fireplace and brought with her happiness and good fortune.

Dr. Clement Clarke Moore, a professor in the General Theological Seminary in New York, put the myth in the form of a poem, "The Visit of St. Nicholas." He invented the sleigh and the reindeer and his description of St. Nicholas was suggested by the appearance of a German man-of-all-work in his employ. The sleigh bells were suggested by the bells on the bride of his own horse. He wrote the poem for his children in 1822 and read it to them on Christmas Eve of that year. This poem has become the foundation of our own rich American tradition about Santa Claus.



To get nearly twice the amount of juice from a lemon, soak it for 10 or 15 minutes in hot water.



If your clothes come out gray, it may be because they are being soaked and washed too long. This only redeposits the dirt already removed. It takes a lot of dirt to be removed more than 8 or 10 minutes.

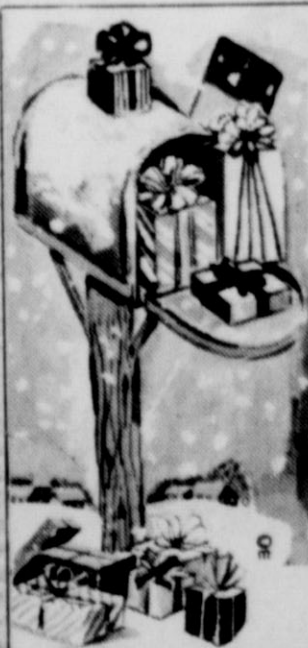
Merry Christmas  
Happy New Year  
You all  
REJOICE

MERRY CHRISTMAS



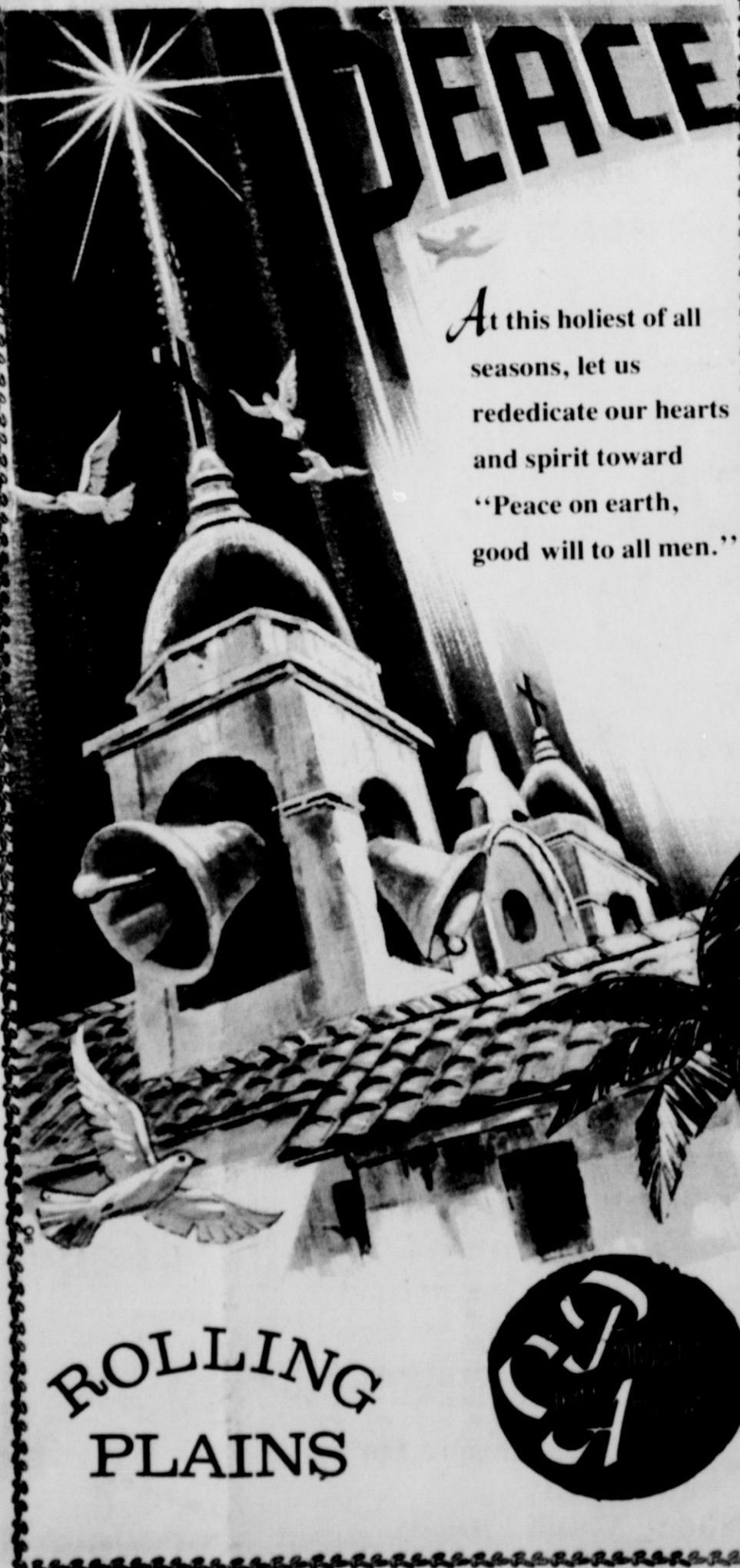
Santa's cart is overflowing with our good wishes for you and your family. Thanks for letting us serve you... it's been a pleasure.

Melvin and Mary Meason



May every happiness be yours at this Christmas season. Thanks for everything

JO ANN'S  
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COIFFURES



At this holiest of all seasons, let us rededicate our hearts and spirit toward "Peace on earth, good will to all men."

**ROLLING PLAINS**

# IT'S BEEN A TOUGH YEAR!



.. BUT WITH YOUR HELP WE MADE IT!

Ronnie & Barbara

MANY THANKS and SEASON'S GREETINGS!

Ronnie's  
Allie Hart  
Nora Belle Dunning  
Wilma Tull



# THE STORY OF CHRISTMAS IN BICENTENNIAL AMERICA

**THE BEGINNING** — On December 25, 1492, the history of Christmas started in the New World, when Columbus' ship, the Santa Maria, was abandoned off the coast of Haiti.

In Virginia in the year 1613 a record by an expedition of Captain John Smith reads: *The extreme winde, rayne, frost and snow caused us to keepe Christmas among the salvages where we were never more merry, nor fed on more plenty of good Oysters, Fish, Flesh, Wilde fowl and good bread, nor never had better fires in England.*

Settlers in Virginia brought many customs from England, the burning of the Yule log, ringing bells, lavish dining, dancing, games and Christmas carols. Churches and homes were decorated colorfully, and parties and balls were memorable.

The Pilgrim Fathers arrived in Plymouth some 7 years later, bringing with them their strong distaste for Christmas. Thanksgiving day, with its feasting and neighborly celebrations with friendly Indians, was more like Christmas.

In 1659, the General Court of Massachusetts enacted the law by which "anyone who is found observing, by abstinence from labor, feasting, or any other way, any such days as Christmas day, shall pay for every such offense 5 shillings." However, the Puritans did not have their way for long and the anti-Christmas law was repealed in 1681.

**HAPPIER CHRISTMASSES** — The chief winter celebration of the jolly Dutch in New Amsterdam was on December 6, St. Nicholas' Day. Significantly enough, it was a figurehead of this very saint that graced their ship, the Goede Vrouw, that brought them to America in 1620.

On St. Nicholas feast day the Dutch carried his statue down the street, with children joining in... the promise of presents bright in their eyes.

Gradually, however, the increasing number of English in this area brought about the adaptation of many of the old customs with the arrival of the first German dissenters in 1700, we find a tremendous increase in the observance of Christmas. It is with the Germans that the universal customs of Kriss Kringle or Santa Claus, and the Christmas tree originate.

The rapid growth of our country brought about less religious antagonism. The intermingling of people of different religious and national backgrounds also helped.

One of the more important historical events that took place on Christmas was the crossing of the Delaware by George Washington and his troops, in 1776, when they defeated the Hessians at Trenton, New Jersey. The Americans routed the redcoats who were sleeping off the effects of the holiday!

Sunday schools, which had their beginning in the first half of the nineteenth century, helped to promote the acceptance of many folk customs, most importantly, Santa Claus and the use of the Christmas tree. Charles Dickens, in his beautiful classics, did much to popularize this colorful holiday, but it was some time before Christmas came to be celebrated as we know it now.

**THE HOLIDAY ON THE MOVING FRONTIER** — The advancing of the frontier westward took with it this welcome holiday. Turkey shoots, which provided fowl for the table, were very popular. Festivities were often wild and noisy.

Traditional Christmases were celebrated in the west, and in 1846, a German visitor to Texas writes about seeing a richly decorated and illuminated Christmas tree, in a territory held by Indians a short time before.

Firecrackers and the shooting of guns were a part of the southern Christmas that traveled as far north as southwest Pennsylvania. National groups who settled outside the thirteen colonies carried with them the old customs of their former homes. In New Orleans, the wanderings of the Three Kings was symbolized by the French réveillons, gifts were for New Year's day.

In the southwest, Christmas celebrations were greatly influenced by the Spanish. Los Pastores, an old miracle play, with the eternal struggle of Good and Evil as its theme, was staged and has been revived on and off, through more recent years.

Christmas was recognized legally, first in Alabama in 1836, and by 1890 all states and territories acknowledged it as well. Christmas is the only annual religious holiday to receive this secular and official sanction.

**ENTER SANTA CLAUS**

In America, Santa Claus is known by three names—St. Nicholas, Kriss Kringle, and Santa Claus. St. Nicholas first appeared in the first half of the fourth century in Asia Minor, as Bishop of Myra. Many miracles are attributed to him and there are many legends that attest to his generosity. He was the protector of sailors aboard Dutch ships, as well as the patron saint of young people. The first Dutch church built in New York City was named for him.

Sinterklaas, as he was known to the Dutch, eventually became Santa Claus... his original red and white vestments became our modern red and white Santa costume.

The Germans and Swiss who settled in Pennsylvania in the eighteenth century believed in the Christ child, who brought gifts to children on Christmas eve. English speaking settlers in neighboring areas transformed Christkindl into Kriss Kringle.

**POEMS AND PICTURES** Clement Clarke Moore is credited with creating the current Santa Claus image and story in his poem "A Visit from St. Nicholas." The poem, originally written for his children in 1822, has been published an endless number of times and is one

of the most popular American poems.

The fat, rosy-cheeked Santa we recognize today evolved from a series of cartoons by Thomas Nast, nineteenth century artist. His series of Christmas drawings showed too, how Santa spends his spare time through the year.

**AMERICA TODAY**

Americans today celebrate the Christmas holiday in many colorful ways. The tradition of this beautiful season is strong in America north, south, east, west. Its warmth, which unites one and all in peace and brotherhood, has been and will be a unifying force for all time.

Let us all celebrate Christmas in America!

**Mistletoe for Luck**

Today, mistletoe is hung in doorways at holiday time. Kissing beneath it brings good luck to those fortunate enough to meet there.

In ancient times, it was believed that mistletoe had more control over luck, good and bad. A bit of mistletoe hung over a doorway was said to ward off evil.

A later belief held that mistletoe boughs hung for Christmas had to be removed by Candlemas Eve (February 1), or each leaf would bring forth a goblin to harass the household for the rest of the year.

**Word 'Manger' Has 2 Meanings**

The Bible tells us that the newly-born Christ-child was "wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger," a word derived from the French "mangeoir" or frame to hold animal feed.

It is interesting that the other common English word for a cattle-feeder, crib, which is derived from the German krippe, also means a baby's bed.

Even the French word crèche, which is often used to describe the nativity scene displayed in churches, homes, and other places at Christmas time, has the double meaning of "mangeoir" and a public shelter for the care of infants.

**Taking Care of Your Holiday Plants**

Plants are living gifts. To keep them going for the holidays and after, here are some tips:

**Azalea:** Keep moist and cool. After flowers fade, cut them back a little. They can summer out-of-doors and should be fed monthly until the early fall.

**Christmas Pepper:** Keep in full sun with moist soil, but cool. Summer outdoors.

**Cyclamen:** Keep cool, and in full sun (55° or cooler).

## Test Yourself With Natural Decor for Christmas The Christmas Quiz

See how many of these questions about Christmas subjects you can answer. Check answers below and score yourself!

- The distance Mary and Joseph travelled from Nazareth to Bethlehem was approximately:
  - 5 miles
  - 70 miles
  - 20 miles
- The origin of the word Noel is:
  - French
  - Spanish
  - German
- The words manger, creche, and crib all have the basic meaning of:
  - a cradle
  - a stable
  - a rack for feeding animals
- The population of Bethlehem at the most recent census was:
  - 25,000
  - 11,500
  - 49,000
- The Church of the Nativity was originally built by:
  - Roman Catholics
  - the Emperor Constantine
  - Greek Catholics
- The actual date of Jesus' birth was:
  - December 25th
  - a date undetermined
  - January 7th
- Mary and Joseph travelled from Nazareth to Bethlehem because:
  - Mary's home was in Bethlehem
  - The Romans were taking census
  - Joseph had work in Bethlehem
- Reindeer are found:
  - all around the Arctic Circle
  - only in Northern Europe
  - all over the world
- The large-scale conversion of Laplanders to Christianity occurred:
  - in the 19th Century
  - in the year 330
  - in the 17th Century
- The best source of water in the Nazareth of Jesus' time was:
  - Mary's Well
  - the Mediterranean Sea
  - a Roman aqueduct

**ANSWERS**  
 1—b 2—b 3—b 4—c 5—c 6—b 7—b 8—c 9—c 10—c  
**SCORING**  
 8 or better is excellent — go to the head of the class!  
 5 to 7 is average. Less than 5 — return one Christmas present!

Keep soil moist and mist daily. Dry out as flowers fade. Rest in shade outdoors. Growth will be restored in late summer by watering.

**Kalanchoe:** Keep in full sun allowing the soil to dry out between waterings. Cut back after flowering and rest in shade in summer with infrequent watering. To start regrowth in late summer, feed and move in to full sun.

**Poinsettia:** Keep in full sun but out of drafts and keep soil moist. Water deeply until red bracts drop, then reduce watering and cut back. Feed every month and summer outdoors. Prune leggy shoots and bring indoors before first frost. From October 1 to Thanksgiving, keep in complete darkness from sunset to sunrise, to start flowers.

**POPE'S YULE INSTRUCTIONS**

Pope Gregory I in his instructions to missionaries on Christmas festivities sent out from Rome in the year 601: "The people should celebrate a religious feast and worship God by their feasting, so that still keeping outward pleasures, they may more readily receive spiritual joys."

The use of fresh, growing plants around the house for color and decoration has increased in almost staggering numbers... and there's really nothing lovelier to make a house look lived in. Combined with dried natural flowers and fruits they are perfect for the holidays. Here are a few ideas you may not have thought of, including some using traditional evergreens and mistletoe in not so traditional ways. With a little imagination, there's no end to the unusual Christmas decorations you can put together at home.

If you are lucky enough to have a bay or wide window, try massing pots of flowering plants together... poinsettias, azaleas, cyclamen, on a window seat or small table, covered with a pretty cloth. Decorate the pots with Christmas cutouts from your favorite magazine or with holiday decals.

Polish your best silver bowl and fill it with dried Lunaria (Honesty is its more commonly known name) and fresh holly. The silver-white translucent Lunaria is a perfect foil for the vivid red holly berries.

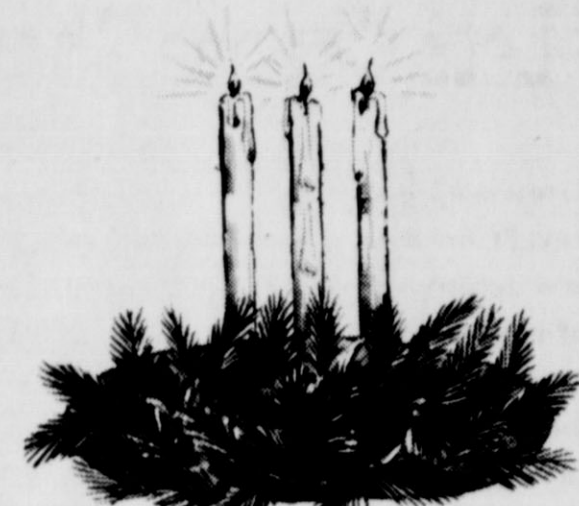
Your beach basket, lying idle in the pantry, makes a charming rustic holder turned on its side and filled with green apples and shiny red Christmas balls. Sprigs of evergreens in and around the apples add extra color.

Grandma's old butter churn will be rejuvenated, filled with bittersweet, cat-tails and evergreen.

Make a hanging mistletoe ball for a doorway by sticking sprigs of mistletoe into a round potato, in which you have pierced holes with a nail. Add a perky bow at the top and hang. The moisture in the potato will keep the mistletoe fresh!

For a unique surprise centerpiece, insert small cuts of evergreen into a long loaf of bread, covering it completely. Choose your loaf to suit your table shape and length. As with the mistletoe ball, the greens stay fresh longer because of the moisture in the bread. Add two or three candles to your centerpiece by pushing them down firmly at the top. Tiny tree ornaments can be added too.

Have fun! Hope your holiday is merry!



SURPRISE CENTERPIECE made from loaf of bread covered with greens.



GREEN APPLES AND SHINY RED Christmas balls spill out of peach basket for unusual decorative arrangement.

**EXTRA TREATS FOR YOUR HOLIDAY DINNER**

**HOLLY WREATH SALADS**—Using chicory, make a wreath shape on individual salad plates. Scatter cherries or cranberries on chicory to look like holly.

**CANDLE SALAD**—Roll half a banana in colored sugar and set into a ring of pineapple. Take half of split unsalted almond, and stick into top of banana. The almond will actually burn for a minute or two when lit!

**JOYOUS CHRISTMAS**

As the Heavens rejoiced when Christ was born, so let us rejoice too, in peace and brotherhood. At this holy holiday we say thanks to our warm and loyal friends.

To all the ladies and gentlemen of Motley County and to the Hospital Board members of Motley Hospital.

**Dr. Thuy Danh Do, Simone Do and Family**  
**Dr. Do Hoang Y and Family**

In earth...  
**peace**

The most blessed blessing of them all...  
 Peace In Our Time! Our hearts soar with fervent thanks for this blessing and the joys of a serene Christmas. As we celebrate this special time, we extend deep gratitude to all our devoted friends.

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# 'Christmas Only for Children'? Let's Change That

Grown-up cynics are frequently heard to say, "Christmas is only for children". This is a declaration of having abandoned any of the precepts of Christmas as far as they, themselves, are concerned. And perhaps in an attempt to set things right again, these same grown-ups "go all out" for the children in their family circles, and their acquaintance.

It's fine to "go all out" for children, at any time, as long as it is in proportion to the event, and if the children's well-being is taken into account. But sacrificial or extravagant giving can be harmful to the children, give them a false sense of values, and of course cause the giver hardship, for no good purpose.

Let us take an adult look at Christmas. Let us think of the strong, virile Christ when we think of Christmas, not merely the helpless Babe. Let us think of this mature man-God, with his adult convictions, his adult compassion, his adult physical strength, and honor these qualities.

Let us put this true evaluation of Christ into Christmas. As adults, it is we who must do this. And in doing this, we take not a whit away from the children's pleasure. But we add significance, immeasurably, to our own.

# THE ORIGIN OF CHRISTMAS GREETINGS IN AMERICA

Would you believe that about four billion Christmas cards are sent every Christmas? No wonder the post office hires extra help each year! It does sound like an insurmountable job! But what a lovely way to wish friends and family well and to renew old friendships. But do you know that exchanging Christmas cards is a comparatively recent custom?

Although there are several claims as to who originated the sending of Christmas cards, there is evidence this lovely custom began in England in the early 1800's. It is generally acknowledged that Louis Prang, a native German who settled in Boston, introduced them in America in about 1875.

His early cards, produced by a process of color lithography, were models of expert craftsmanship. They featured flower designs such as daisies and roses, and were quite unlike Christmas cards of today. By 1881, Prang was turning out about 5 million cards a year, and as time went by he offered more typical Christmas scenes, including the visit of Santa Claus, Madonna and Child, and blazing fires.

In 1880 or 1881 Prang sponsored an open competition for Christmas card designs, offering prizes that came to about \$3,000. More than 600 entries were received and were exhibited in galleries. Noted personalities of that time acted as judges.

The superior quality and workmanship of the Prang cards added to their popularity. However, with an increasing demand for cards, inferior, inartistic, cheaper cards came flooding in from Europe, and Prang found it hard to compete. He stopped producing his beautiful cards, but they are still highly valued and sought after by collectors.

Now we have cards available to fit our every mood, and one would be hard pressed to imagine the number of artists and verse writers who make up the creative forces of this vast industry. Sending and receiving Christmas cards is one of the delights of the holiday.

There is no doubt that this heartwarming custom will continue and so we say "thanks" to Mr. Prang, wherever he may be, for adding great spirit to Christmas in America!



CHRISTMAS CARD from about the 1800's. Color lithography by Raphael Ruck and Sons. Photograph courtesy of The Oakland Museum.



CHRISTMAS CARD printed in France by the YMCA, about 1917. The theme is World War I. Photograph courtesy of The Oakland Museum.

## THE HISTORY OF CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS

Ever wonder, as you hang festive lights on the branches of that prize pine or spruce, who trimmed the first Christmas tree? Or when folks first "discovered" Santa Claus? Or who sang the first Christmas carol?

Some Christmas customs are surprisingly recent, while others date back beyond the earliest Christians. But the Yuletide we know — complete with gifts under a gaily lighted tree, friends calling to admire the sparkling decorations,

family reunions — has existed for only the past 200 years.

To our ancestors of several centuries ago, Christmas was a time of solemn rejoicing and deep religious dedication, with little of the modern gaiety. The New England Puritans actually forbade joyous Yuletide demonstrations!

New Englanders and other Americans eventually followed the lead of New York's Dutch settlers and succumbed

to the charm of "San Nicolaas" — better known as Saint Nick or Santa Claus. But the jolly gent had a flourishing career long before he reached our shores.

More than 1600 years ago there was a St. Nicholas — a Turkish bishop whose countless works of charity made him a legend in his lifetime. Martyred in 342 A.D., he became the patron saint of children and of three nations:

Greece, Holland and Belgium.

As for the Christmas tree, it's still the center of attraction in many homes — a place of honor rooted in history. Thousands of years before the first Christmas, the evergreen was revered as a symbol of long life and immortality. German tribes brought fir trees into their homes to please the god-like spirits they thought inhabited the trees. When these pagans converted to Christianity, they transferred their feeling for the evergreen to the new religion.

Next time you hear "Deck the hall with boughs of holly" — a song that dates back to the Middle Ages — remember the origin of Christmas carols. The word "carol" means "to dance in a ring," and the man who popularized the practice was the beloved St. Francis of Assisi. To bring the Christmas message vividly and directly to his villagers, most of whom could not read, the 13th century saint arranged a manger scene using real people and

animals. When the villagers came to see it, St. Francis led them in joyous celebration — in "caroling."



# Merry Christmas



With hearts full of wonder at the eternal beauties of Nature, we savour the magic of Christmas and its eternal meaning. In the holiday spirit of love and understanding, we wish all our friends joy and peace. It's a pleasure to know you!



## Bob Stanley Pharmacy

# GREETINGS

Christmas would not be Christmas if we did not take the time to say "thank you" and wish you every happiness.



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MADONNA ADORING THE CHILD with the Infant Saint John the Baptist and an Angel by Lorenzo di Credi. Tempera on wood, diameter 36 inches, Courtesy of The Metropolitan Museum of Art, Rogers Fund, 1909.



THE NICCOLINI-COWPER MADONNA by Raphael. 31 3/4" x 22 5/8" wood. Andrew Mellon Collection. Photograph by courtesy of The National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.



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MALETA, WILL AND KARL  
PAULA AND SUSAN

## The Madonna and Child in Painting

The Madonna and Child have long been a source of inspiration to artists. The period that produced the greatest works of art, of the Madonna and Child, was the Renaissance, though there is evidence of painting of the Madonna long before.

The number of Madonna pictures increased after the Council of Ephesus, in 431 A.D., when the Virgin Mary and Child became symbols of the accepted Christian faith. The oldest paintings were found in the catacombs of the early Christians, built between the First and Fifth Centuries, as places of worship. As persecution of the Christians under Roman emperors be-

came more intense, they took to the catacombs as places of prayer and refuge.

In the catacomb of Saint Calixtus, in Rome, one of the earliest pictures of the Holy Family was found.

Renaissance means the rebirth of the art of classic antiquity. Although dates of this period vary from country to country, it is generally agreed that it began in the late 1200's and lasted into the early 1500's. It was a time in which new styles developed in painting, sculpture and architecture. The society in which the artist lived greatly influenced his art.

Some of the greatest pieces of religious art were

produced in this period.

Paintings of the Madonna were fewer after the 1600's, but the really important

did many paintings much admired by those who painted after him. Though his drawing was based on the study of models, his Saints and Madonnas are idealized representations. Among his Madonna paintings are "The Madonna of The Chair," "The Alba Madonna," and his "Sistine Madonna," originally painted as an altar-piece for the Church of San Sisto. This masterpiece shows the Virgin Mary supported on clouds with the infant Jesus in her arms. Pope Sixtus II kneels in prayer on one side, Saint Barbara on the other. His "Niccolini-Cowper Madonna" shown above, hangs in the National Gallery in

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### CHRISTMAS BIRD FEEDER

Those of you who are kind to our fine, feathered friends all year 'round will want to add some extra holiday fare to your bird feeder. Cranberries and popcorn make a special treat as do small boxes of suet and seed.

Decorating a small tree near your house will provide color for you, and nourishment for the birds. Here are a few suggestions for decorating your bird tree:

**HOLIDAY DOUGHNUTS** — Loop colored ribbon through the hole of a doughnut, and add a sprig of holly berry. Hang on tree with wire.

**POPCORN STRINGS** — String popcorn onto 20 to 24 inch lengths of heavy duty thread. Hang, looped, onto bird tree.

**CRANBERRIES** — Using wire, string cranberries and shape into a circle, leaving

a length of wire at the end, to attach to the tree.

**ORANGE HALVES** — Cut oranges in half. Make three holes, equidistant, around the edge of each half, about 1/2" down from edge. Push ends of pipe cleaners through each hole, securing firmly at lower end. At top of pipe cleaners, twist all three ends together tightly. Using another pipe cleaner as a loop, attach to tree.



# Star of wonder

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

## HAPPY HOLIDAY

Sincere good wishes to you, our good friends and customers, this very joyous season.



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**Church and Society**



**Former Resident Is Wed In Fall Rites**

Recent announcement was made of the fall marriage of Miss Louise Pitts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Pitts of Lovington, N.M., former Matador residents, and William Ray Cogsdil, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cogsdil of Lovington.

Double ring vows were read uniting the couple, September 27, at 6:30 in the evening at First United Methodist Church, Lovington. Rev. Kenneth Ford officiated.

Twin baskets of white daisies and carnations and an arrangement of white and yellow daisies and baby's breath graced the altar. Family pews were marked with yellow bows and white daisies.

Mrs. Malcolm Wright was organist and accompanied Mrs. Tommy Willyard who sang, "You Will Never Walk Alone," "The Wedding Prayer," and "Irish Blessing" as the benediction.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was attired in a gown of white lace with an empire waistline and long sheer sleeves of the same lace. The dress was designed and made by her mother. She wore a hat trimmed with matching lace and tulle, with long streamers of tulle. She carried a lace covered Bible topped with a cascade arrangement of yellow rosebuds, stephanotis, miniature white carnations with baby's breath, and tied with yellow ribbon and lace.

Mrs. Donnie Cruse of Plainview, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Sheila Lindsey and Miss Oneta Cogsdil, sister of the bridegroom, and Mrs. Ricky Dunlap as bridesmatron. The attendants wore princess dresses of pale yellow double knit, with long sleeved jackets tied in front and designed of white material printed with tiny yellow rosebuds. Maid of honor carried a nosegay of yellow daisies and baby's breath, and bridesmaids' flowers were yellow and white. They wore yellow tulle short veils attached to bandeaus of yellow silk flowers.

Best man was Max Fort and groomsmen were Jim Osborn, Mikey Gilmore and Ricky Dunlap of Lovington. Danny Watson of Lovington and Bill Sims of Eunice, N.M., were ushers and candlelighters.

Kenneth Pitts seated his mother, and Larry Lovelace escorted his mother-in-law, Mrs. W. H. Cogsdil, mother of the bridegroom.

Miss Shelley Marsh presided at the guest register. A reception was held

Mr. and Mrs. Glendell Smith and sons, Landon and Derron of Weatherford, are here to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Paul Smith.

following the ceremony. Presiding at the bride's table was Mrs. Don Pitts and Mrs. Bill Noach, and at the bridegroom's table, was Mrs. Kenneth Pitts. Others in the house party were Mesdames Odie Killingsworth, Odell Black, Denver Dunlap, Harry Mattlin, Wayne Swenson, Dave Robinson and Ira Pleasant. Kellie Pitts and Regina Cruse, nieces of the bride handed out rice bags. For a wedding trip to Santa Fe, the bride chose a tan pant suit.

The bride was graduated from Lovington High School

in 1975 and is employed at Noack Western Wear and is also attending New Mexico Junior College. Her husband was graduated from Lovington High School in 1972 and is employed by Lea County Livestock Auction.

The out of town guests included relatives of the bride: Mrs. Douglas Pitts of Matador, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bryan of Plainview, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Byran of Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pitts and family of Floydada; and Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Cruse and family of Plainview.



MRS. PATRICK D. WACHSMANN

**Sarah Russell Marries Patrick D. Wachsmann**

Miss Sarah Lee Russell and Patrick Dean (Pat) Wachsmann were married in a 7:30 p.m. ceremony, December 12, in Miller Chapel on the Baylor University campus in Waco. Rev. Mario Oliverio of Waco officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. A. G. Russell of 3025 Maple, Waco, and the late Mr. Russell. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Joe L. Wachsmann of

Bellmead. Miss Sheila Hansen was organist and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nolen and David Lebkowsky were soloists.

The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, James W. Darden of Waco. She wore a candlelight poise gown fashioned with front and back panels extending from the square neckline to the hemline of the full skirt which swept to a

chapel train. A bearded bandeau held her fingertip mantilla edged in Alencon lace and she carried a nosegay of sonya rosebuds. She carried her grandmother's embroidered handkerchief and wore her mother's antique watch. Honor attendants were the couple's sister and brother, Mrs. Johnny Medrano and Raymond Wachsmann.

The matron of honor wore a candlelight voile floor-length dress fashioned with two deep flounces at the hemline and carried a nosegay of sonya roses.

The bride's brother-in-law, Johnny Medrano ushered guests with the groom's brother Johnny Wachsmann and David Chisum.

The bride's mother hosted the reception in her home.

The couple will live in Village Green apartments in Waco. The bride is employed by the Waco Independent School District and teaches German and history. Her husband is an estimator with Young Brothers Inc.

Relatives of the bride who attended the wedding included her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Russell of Matador, who accompanied another aunt of the bride, Mrs. J. W. Drace of Lubbock; Also Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bradshaw of College Station and their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bradshaw Jr., of Austin, and Mr. and Mrs. James Russell Neblett and daughter, Mary, of Denton.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Russell and Mrs. Drace visited in Waco from Thursday until Sunday with their sister-in-law, Mrs. A. G. Russell.

**ARRIVAL ANNOUNCED**

Mr. and Mrs. James Pritchett are parents of a baby son, James William III, who was born at 1:29 p.m. Friday, December 19 in Central Plains Hospital, Plainview. He weighed 7 pounds, three ounces. Grandparents of the new arrival are Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pritchett, Matador and Mr. and Mrs. John Robertson of Lawton, Oklahoma.

**ETERNAS CLUB WILL SPONSOR STUDY COURSE**

The Eternas Study Club will sponsor a Total Woman Class, beginning Tuesday, January 6, at 7:00 p.m. at the Motley County School Building. Instructor for the course will be Mary L. Kingsbery of Lubbock.

The Total Woman Class is a marriage enrichment course that sprang from the best selling book, *The Total Woman*, by Marabel Morgan. It is now being taught in 20 states by more than 100 authorized instructors.

The course will consist of one class weekly for four weeks, each class about two and a half hours in length. A

registration fee of \$15.00 covers all four sessions. Advance registration is necessary, since the size of the classes is limited. Anyone desiring further information may contact Mrs. Pat Seigler.

**FROM BRIDGEPORT**

Miss Mary Ann Woosley of Bridgeport, who teaches in the school system there, arrived here Saturday night for a visit with Mrs. Douglas Meador and other friends. She and her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Woosley of Lubbock, spent Saturday in Seymour for a pre-Christmas visit with their father, Arvel Woosley. A former Tribune employee, Miss Woosley assisted with this week's issue.

**Greenery and glitter, turkey and treats, love and laughter, that's what holidays are made of. Hope your Christmas is the best!**

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Mrs. Scott Robbins  
Mrs. C. M. Barton Jr.

Mrs. Marvin Vaughn  
Gary Welling

**STUDIES ABOUT THE BIBLE**

**IN RETROSPECT**  
As you review your faith for 1975, ask yourself these questions.

1. During the year have I been guided by the gospel of Christ?
2. Or has my faith been built on what I think and how I feel?
3. Have I followed a creed book written by men?
4. Have I had proper respect for the gospel of Christ?
5. Have I said, "LORD, LORD," but followed the commandments and doctrines of men?

**BEST WISHES FOR A PLEASANT AND SPIRITUAL HOLIDAY SEASON.**

L. E. O'Neal  
Minister Gospel of Christ  
Roaring Springs, Texas

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MR. AND MRS. E. H. HOLCOMB

## Couple Celebrate Golden Anniversary

A reception honoring Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Holcomb in observance of their Golden Wedding anniversary was held Sunday, December 21, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Parks of Roaring Springs.

The former Ruby Lena Hull and E. H. Holcomb were married Dec. 23, 1925 in Dickens, Texas. They have lived in and around Roaring Springs since their marriage. They are members of the East Side Church of Christ.

The table was decorated in gold and white and featured a bell shaped cake, topped with a gold "50th," flanked by gold candles for the centerpiece. Also served were

orange sherbert punch, coffee and gold sheet cakes. Cake was served by Laverne Keele, and Darlene Keele presided at the punch service. Mrs. Parks and Laverne Keele made the cakes.

Serving as hosts were three of the couple's children, Ray Holcomb and Melvin Holcomb of Floydada and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Parks; and five of the Holcomb's grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Holcomb have four children, 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Thirty nine guests attended from 2 to 5 o'clock.

## Predicta Club Has Christmas Meeting

Hostesses with Mrs. M. S. Thacker for the annual Christmas party of Predicta Study Club of Roaring Springs, were Mrs. J. M. Thacker and Mrs. H. C. Smith. The party was held Thursday night, Dec. 18.

The Thacker home was beautifully decorated with symbols of Christmas.

The refreshment table was covered with a green holiday cloth, centered with a lighted lantern encircled with greenery and fruit. Mrs. J. M. Thacker presided at the coffee service. Other refreshments included pigs-in-

blanket, pit tarts and Christmas candies and cookies.

A report was made by members, on gifts given to shut-ins. Christmas carols were sung and gifts were exchanged from the decorated tree. Choir boy favors were also given the members by the hostesses.

Those attending were, Mesdames John A. Scott, Bob Clem, C. W. Palmer, Lem Miller, Tommy Wilson, M. G. Bethard, Ray Zabielski, and M. D. Freeman, Miss Freda Keahey, Miss Lula Swim and the hostesses.

## Relatives Meet For Christmas

The T. B. Edmondson sons and daughter, and their families met Sunday evening for an annual Christmas dinner and exchange of gifts. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hoyle were hosts for the occasion.

The family group included Mr. and Mrs. Julian Edmondson of Phillips, their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Edmondson and children of Amarillo and the daughter and husband, Capt. and Mrs. Ben Kollman of San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Edmondson, Matador, and their granddaughter, Kristen Edmondson of Dallas; and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hoyle, parents and grandparents of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hoyle and Tonya.



**TOURNAMENT WINNERS** - The Women's Gold Association met at a luncheon last month at the home of Mrs. Frank Price, and tournament trophies were received by the above group. Shown from left the winners are, Tommy Edwards, Louise Barton, Laverna Price, Geneva Wilson and Hazel Donovan. Two winners not present when picture was made, were Rita Groves and Francine Green. The plaques being held were hand-painted by June Keltz, of the homes of the winners.

## Roaring Springs News

By Shirley Long  
Phone 348--3441

Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bradford were Mrs. J. E. Norris Jr., of Paducah and her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hassage, Margaret and Scarlett of Dillon, Colorado. Dan Bradford of Vernon visited in the home last Friday.

Mrs. L. A. Mullins, Mrs. Bill Peacock, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Campbell and Mrs. Charlie Rainbolt attended the funeral services for Archie Rainbolt, Sunday in Dickens.

Ben Masey is still a patient in the Crosbyton Hospital.

Mrs. Arthur Jordan of Houston is visiting her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hull and children, Kim and Victor.

The Davis family had their Christmas dinner Sunday, at the home of Mrs. Minnie Davis. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Aubry Davis of Las

Cruces, N.M., Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Davis of Fort Worth, and local residents, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Brown Hinson and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis.

Meeting at the home of Mrs. Charlie Brooks for their Christmas dinner and exchange of gifts, Sunday were her children and other relatives, and friends. These included Mrs. Ruby Whitaker, Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. John Avara, Rex, Jeff and Stacy of Denver City; Mr. and Mrs. Preacher Brooks of Meadow; Mr. and Mrs. James Price, Scottie and Paul of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. James Carpenter and Randall of Stephenville; Mr. and Mrs. McElton Skaggs of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Edwards, Terry, Susie, Michelle and Heather of Strawn; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse

Smallwood of Plainview; Mrs. Delbert Perryman and children of Tyler, and local residents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Brooks and Timmie, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hardin, J. N. Fletcher and Marty and Mrs. Marian Jones and Jane.

ATTEND CHURCH  
SUNDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Jackson of Cactus spent the week end with his parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Jackson. They went from here to Davis, Okla., to spend Christmas with his grandparents there, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Allen, and with his brother, James Earl Jackson and family.

## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



May the old fashioned delights of Christmas make yours a wonderful holiday.

Our sincere thanks for your friendship.

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# Merry Christmas



May the magic of Christmas unfold within your heart and home bringing special joys and remembrances. As this season of love and cheer arrives we extend warm wishes for a truly happy holiday.

Sincere thanks.

*Joe & Billie Dean*

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**Whiteflat News**  
Mrs. Stella Tilson  
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Mrs. Stella Tilson accompanied her daughter, Mrs. M. G. Bethard, to Reese AFB and Lubbock on business, Tuesday of last week.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Stephens and Shonda were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stephens of Matador, and his son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Montie Stephens and daughter, April, of Quitaque.

Lance Jameson, student at McMurry College, Abilene arrived home Thursday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents and brother,

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Jameson and Shannon Week end visitors in the Jameson home were her mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Bristow of Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Jennings had as guests Monday and Tuesday, Bill Flowers of Old Glory, Graham Steele of Ft. Sumner, N.M., and Joe Hudspeth of Hamlin. Tuesday afternoon, Brooks Calloway of Matador visited with the Jennings and their guests.

Mrs. Janice Dixon and Spencer visited in Spur, Monday, with her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Whitefield and daughter, Paula. Mrs. Dixon visited at Flomot, Thursday with Mrs. Leon Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Keltz of Plainview visited during the week end with her parents,

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Higginbotham Visitors Sunday in the Higginbotham home were another daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Kyle McWilliams of Flomot.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stapleton attended the funeral for Crabill Jones, Sunday afternoon in Quitaque.

Mrs. T. W. Jennings was in Aspermont, Wednesday, on business and visited at Old Glory with a son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Jennings and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Davis of Borger spent the week end with her parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Martin and Miss Carol Martin of Sundown, and also visited her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Turner visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Turner and other members of the family at Flomot, during the week end for a pre-Christmas family gathering.

Mrs. Vesta Cooper and daughter, Martha, returned recently from an extended visit in Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Jennings were in Paducah, Friday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Spray visited in Plainview Sunday and Monday with his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Briscoe.

**ENTERTAINS WITH CHRISTMAS PARTY**  
Mrs. H. R. Jameson entertained her Primary class of the United Methodist Sunday School and their guests at her home, Thursday afternoon.

After the arrival on the school bus, which was a first experience for some, they were served refreshments of sandwiches, potato chips, cookies and punch.

They played games and enjoyed the wonders of God's rural America at Christmas time. They were presented prayer books and gifts from a white Christmas tree decorated with blue ornaments.

Those present were Robbin Isbell, Darla Jameson, John Douglas Russell, Jon Hearn, Dung, Luan and Khanh Do.

**Shelly Seigler On Club Program**

Miss Shelly Seigler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Seigler, was featured recently on a bicentennial program sponsored by the 1923 Study Club and Euterpean Music Club, both of Paducah.

The program, "200 Years Ago in America," was given at the First Baptist Church, Paducah. Attired in colonial dress and cap, Shelly sang "A Virgin Most Blessed," an old English carol. She was accompanied at the piano by her mother, Mrs. Pat Seigler.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We want to express as well as we know how, our appreciation to everyone who sent get-well cards of courage to Shorty while he was in the hospital, and those who visited him there, bringing words of comfort and cheer. He appreciated that; to Brother Sims for his visits and prayers there and after returning home; the many acts of kindness and consideration after we came home; to those who came to sit with us, to pray and care for his comfort; for the preparation of food brought in when we didn't have time for food preparation. Thanks also for the ladies in attendance there; for the songs of inspiration and comfort, and the beautiful flowers.

For the lovely comforting service by Brother Sims and Brother Crabtree at the church, and for the military service at the cemetery of a last salute to one buddy to another. May God richly bless you all, is our prayer. The Smauley Family (1)

**SECOND TURKEY SHOOT WINNERS**

The second go-round of the annual turkey shoot sponsored by the Sharpshooters Rifle club was a success, as all birds were claimed by shooters.

Kay Phillips, Matador, was the winner of the turkey in the high-point contest for Grade School boys and girls with a score of 27.

Lucky shot winners were: Pat Green, Bill Jameson, Kay Phillips, Clay Jameson, Mrs. Morris Burkes, Mrs. Bill Jameson and Bill Pallmeyer.

Club members thank the public for their support, and have announced that the 1976 shoot will be held in October, before everyone is busy with crop harvest.

**VISITORS HERE**

Sandra Jenkins of Clarksville, Indiana arrived Friday night to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer T. Jenkins. Arriving Saturday night for

the holidays were their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Jenkins and children, Pat, Jane and Guy of Sargent, Nebraska.

Mrs. Laurie Griggs of San Diego, arrived here Monday and visited her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Barton Jr., after a visit in Plainview with Mr. and Mrs. Don Wason and family. She will spend Christmas holidays visiting relatives in this area.

**WEEK END VISITORS**

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Stevens of San Angelo visited during the week end with her mother, Mrs. Robert Darsey, and her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Robin Darsey. They were en route to Aspen, Colo., to spend Christmas holidays, and were accompanied by Charise Cullin, to Santa Fe, New Mexico, where she will spend Christmas with her family, Mrs. Charlotte Cullin, Charyn and Mitch.

**IN MEMORIAL OF BRUCE MARTIN, who passed away on Christmas Day, 1972.**

When the curtain is drawn on the stage of life; When the last roses are given for the performance; when the applauding crowd is silent, only now do we pause to acknowledge and praise the performance of the actor.

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**Merry Christmas**

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**Greeting the Holy Season**

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**First Baptist Church**  
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### Flomot News

Mrs. H. R. Jameson  
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Mr. and Mrs. Ray Monk of Plymouth, Michigan returned home Sunday after visiting the last week with Mr. and Mrs. James Monk.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bynum, Kani and Bart, Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Bynum of Lubbock, Mrs. Duane Markham of New Deal, and Mrs. Jehu Beeson and Mrs. Ed Rogers of Kress.

Week end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin were Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Moss and Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Moss of Afton.

Sunday, P. T. Gentry of Slaton and Robert I. Thomas, local resident were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cloyd.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Barton were in Plainview Saturday and Monday for Mr. Barton to receive medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. James Monk were in Floydada on business, Friday.

Lisa Ross of Dallas arrived home Sunday night to spend the Christmas holidays with her family, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross and Tommy.

Mrs. J. B. Barton attended to business in Amarillo.

Tuesday.

Mrs. Tom Ross visited in Plainview Monday with her mother, Mrs. Hoyte Paschal of Olton, who is a patient in the Central Plains Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Cloyd and son, Dickie visited overnight Sunday in Gainesville with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Meece. They continued to Center to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B.M. Goff.

Tommy Ross was an overnight guest Wednesday of Bill Palmer in Roaring Springs.

#### HOLIDAY VISITORS

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Turner during the weekend and attending a pre-Christmas dinner, Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Riley Turner of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Turner and Craig, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harris of Matador, Mr. and Mrs. Benny Turner and children of Abernathy, Robin Darsey of Roaring Springs, Mrs. L. C. Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Turner of Lockney, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Turner of Whiteflat, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph White of Phoenix, Arizona, Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Price of Petersburg, Mrs. Ethel Turner and Mrs. Bonnie Grimland of Amarillo and Clint Price and Mary Brown of Corsicana.

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#### CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Fairmont Baptist Church had a Christmas program Sunday night with Mrs. W. J. Patton and the Sunday School pupils giving the Christmas Story. Mrs. Kyle McWilliams and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Higginbotham of Whiteflat presented the special music.

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#### FLOMOT COMMUNITY NIGHT CANCELLED

It was announced by Malcolm Turner, chairman of the Flomot Community Organization, the Flomot Community Night is cancelled for this Saturday night. Due to the Christmas holidays and cotton harvest, the monthly entertainment will be announced at a future date.

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#### PEPPER JONES ON S-P TEAM

Pepper Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Jones of Quitaque and grandson of Mrs. Crabill Jones of Flomot earned the tight end position on the Avalanche Journal's

Class B All South Plains football team. Jones captured twenty passes for 412 yards and scored five touchdowns for the 1975 Valley High football team.

#### GRAVESIDE RITES HELD

Graveside services were held for Kenneth Gene (Buddy) Riddle, 44, of Belton at 2:00 p.m. Saturday at the Flomot Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of the Quitaque Funeral Home. The Rev. Sidney Parsley, pastor of the Flomot United Methodist Church, officiated.

Mr. Riddle died Thursday morning in Belton. He was a former Flomot resident.

Survivors are a son, Terry and a daughter Jerry Riddle of Azle; his mother, Mrs. Merle Austin of Lindale; five sisters and one brother.

Pallbearers were Ervin Merritt, Bill Dean Washington, Ikie Gilbert, Herb Martin, Doyle Calvert and Wilburn Martin.

#### IN APPRECIATION

I wish to express my gratitude for the lovely flowers, cards, telephone calls, gifts and prayers during my hospitalization and since my return home. Your thoughtfulness is deeply appreciated. God bless each of you.

Mrs. Bert Cloyd (1)

Sprigs of holly should be placed in beehives at Christmas. So says an old English Christmas tradition. This custom stems from the legend that, at the Manger, bees gathered to hum a hymn of joy.

#### At Smauley Rites From Out Of Town

Relatives and friends from out of town who attended final rites Dec. 15 for C. C. (Shorty) Smauley were: O. M. Smauley and Mrs. Grady Williams of Roby; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Smauley of Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Raul Smauley and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Schatell of Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Smauley of Baird; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smauley of Midland; Junior Smauley of Hobbs, N.M.; Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Bardwell of Wichita Falls; Mrs. W. R. Smauley of Longworth; Lyndon Kingery and children, Richard and Jackie, and Gerald Kingery of Austin; Mrs. Loree Kingery of Abilene;

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton McBride of Anson; Mrs. Ruth Glascock, Mrs. Pat Olson and James Glascock of Waco; Mrs. Salena Barnes of Kopperl, Tex.; Mrs. Sarah Fields of Childress; Jimmie Fields, Pitchfork Ranch; Mrs. Cecil B. Newsome of Denison; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Douglas of Hale Center; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stokes, Paducah; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Koonsman, Johnny Koonsman, and Rev. Victor Crabtree, Dickens; Mrs. Tom Milam and Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Dozier, Lubbock; Mrs. Mary Dozier and Willie Dozier, Spur; Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Martin, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Dale Markham, Lockney; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Simmons, Plainview; and Mrs. Dave Cavitt, Abernathy.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Jenkins left last Wednesday for El Paso to spend the holidays with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. L.H. Strain. They were accompanied by Mrs. Henry Ford, who is visiting her niece, Mrs. Dick Wright.

#### Christmas Gesture

Robert Louis Stevenson (1850-1894), author of "Treasure Island" and "Kidnapped," was born on November 13 but "gave" his birthday to a girl born on

Christmas Day. Stevenson made a gift of his birthdate to a child named Annie H. Ide, to let her have "two joyous celebrations a year, with a proper birthday and a Merry Christmas."

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By Ace Reid



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**IN APPRECIATION**

We wish to express our appreciation to everyone who sent cards and flowers, called or visited us while I was in the hospital, and for visits and food brought to us since we have been at home. We are very grateful for your thoughtfulness, and your prayers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Webb (1)

Visiting Mrs. Agnes Aaron for the Christmas holidays are her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Aaron, Kim and John III, of Houston; and daughters and their families, Mrs. Bill Busse, Holly and Kristen of Loring AF Base, Maine, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McQuary and son, Carl of Albuquerque, N.M., Mr. and Mrs. Don Holman, Paul and Danny of Liberal, Kansas. The family group also

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Bob, Etoile and James Stanley (2)

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**For Sheriff, Tax Assessor-Collector**

Bill Hand

J. N. Fletcher Jr.

**For County Commissioner, Precinct 1**

Kenneth (Peck) Thompson

John M. (Sonny) Russell

**For County Commissioner, Precinct 3**

Odell Meyer

**TEXAS TALK**

With 1975 now fading into time's own special oblivion we call history it is appropriate to pause for a moment . . . to use this particular segment of time and space to thank customers, friends and readers for your business, your comments about the column and most of all for your friendship. Hopefully during 1975 the information presented here each week has furthered the one and only purpose of this column: to make us all more aware of the importance of agriculture . . . important not only to our town and county but to our country and to our world. You have our very best wishes for all your family this holiday season and our sincere hope for the proverbial Happy New Year . . . may it be your happiest ever! Thank you for reading.

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**JONES (From Page One)**

Kress and J. D. of Amarillo; a sister, Mrs. Winnie Elton of San Antonio; six grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Serving as pallbearers were Terry Brunson and grandsons, Ricky Nall, Jim Bob Nall, Danny Jones, Pepper Jones and Danny Vaughn.

The Stars and Stripes that flew over Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, rippled above the United Nations Charter meeting at San Francisco and over the Big Three conference at Potsdam, according to the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve. This same flag was flying over the White House on August 14, 1945, when the Japanese accepted surrender terms.

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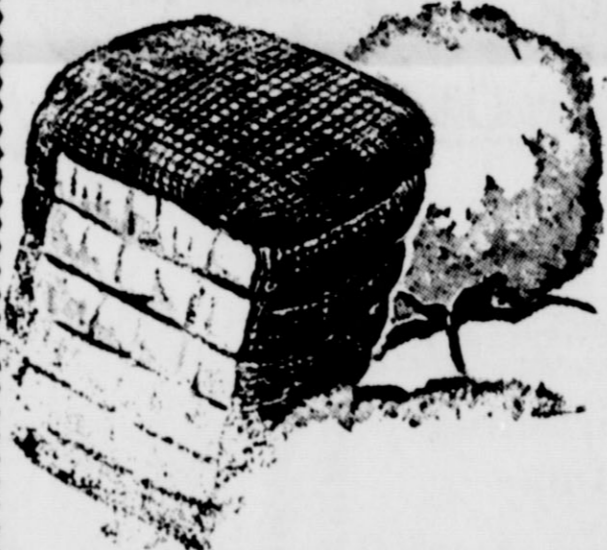
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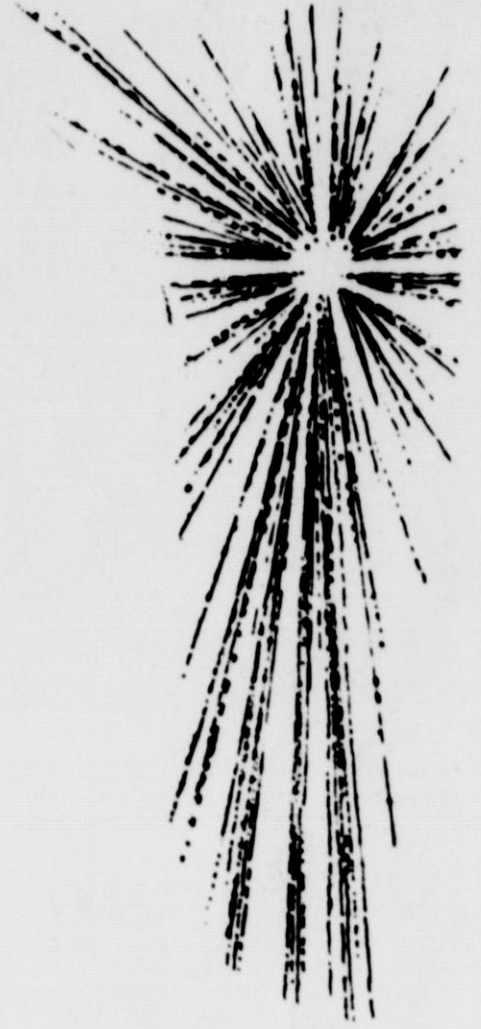
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