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Spur and Quitaque Win Lions Tourney

TRAIL DUST

By DOUGLAS MEADOR

Proof that mine is the lost generation, merely filling a vacancy in the scheme of things until the incubator of destiny could produce another cycle, is bared in a news release. The item decries that dentists are at a point of perfecting a cure for the decay in teeth. There is the raw edge of irony's blade in the discovery; it leaves me with the same interest as another human veto. A man no longer shingles for a house which has been reduced to ashes.

A lonely little wind was crying in the white, naked arms of cottonwoods. A ragged oriole nest was swaying like an empty cradle rocking with the weight of a phantom hand. Gold-tinted clouds draped the shivering sun and the girl tightened her coat around her slender shoulders. She went cautiously to the taller tree, as if fear pointed the way, and placed her hand on the heart-shaped scar that circled four initials, tracing the lines with her fingers. A strong blast of frigid wind struck the trees and she shuddered. The trees whined and whined against the girl's back. The girl pressed her cheek against the scar on the tree, but there was no warmth or comfort for her in the cold heart of a summer romance.

Silently my little wingless dreams hold hands and bravely step into space beyond the cliffs of oblivion. The spired castle I built from massive, crystal blocks of youth is shapeless loss in the crucible of reality. My falling eyes see narrower horizons; lofty music flows through my heart like pebbles in a gourd. Days stack on top of one another like soggy pan cakes in an unsavory kitchen. Then I hear the free, untrammelled laughter of a child as chilled wind washing away the stained impressions of an unhappy dream.

When a debt is contracted with dust it may become overdue but it is never cancelled.

There is an attitude of serenity in the tableau of a cat sleeping before a comfortable fire, and displaying the anxiety of cat-dreams with slight tail twitching. Life's troubles are modified in the atmosphere.

We refuse the past the privilege of remaining dead. Nature bestows no lasting tribute to a great tree that tendered its shade for a hundred years, yet man will well erect a marble shaft on the slightest provocation, while the deceased never thought of doing more than his duty.

Hot sun and the winds of three score years have washed the color out of the man's eyes; the black sheen from his hair. He likes to ride into the hills because they alone have remained unchanged since the days when he followed the rattling hoofs of wild cattle for his food and \$20 a month. He remembers with vivid detail when there was no automobile glass to break the North's sting; no gas fires at convenient intervals. It was hard riding from before dawn until darkness, through wind, blizzards and cold rain, hard riding seven days in the week. Often his old saddle was inadequate, his boots thin and worn and his clothes too thin and too light. Today he likes to hold the hand of a small grandson who wears better boots than he ever wore, a better hat than he ever owned. It is not important that the child's cowboy wardrobe cost more than the old cowboy ever spent on himself in five years.

ATTEND CELEBRATION
L. A. Stearns, Sunday, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Stearns to Olton where they attended the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Burton. Mrs. Stearns' deceased wife was a sister to Mr. Burrus.

Decorations To Receive Cash Awards

A group of Matador Lions Club directors' faces are the same hue as Santa's suit. A newspaper reporter is also chagrined. At the last directors' breakfast it was voted to award three cash prizes for the three best Christmas-decorated Matador homes (outside light effect). The directors forgot to mention the action at the club's regular meeting the following day and the newspaper reporter forgot to publish notice of the contest. In fact no one thought of the contest for several days and then everyone remembered.

The club is still going to award the prizes. First prize will be \$5, second prize \$3 and third prize \$2. Judges will have probably reached their decision by next publication of the Tribune.

Fire Chief Asks Elimination Of Yule Hazards

Fire Chief Freddie Welling warned today that flammable Christmas decorations introduce a needless fire hazard during the current holiday season, and asked local citizens to avoid the possibility of turning the cheerful Yuletide period into a time of grief and tragedy.

"Many of the tragic holiday fires of the past were caused by the use of flammable decorations," he said. "A few years ago ninety-nine people were killed at a Christmas party in St. Johns, Newfoundland, as a result of this dangerous practice."

Non-flammable decorations of glass or metal are available, and "fireproof" snow should be used around the Christmas tree. It is dangerous to use paper or cotton in decorating the tree.

PAIR HELD IN DAWN THEFT

HEREFORD, Dec. 15—David Hodkins, believed to be from Oklahoma, and Daymond Lewis Bagges, who had just escaped from a reformatory in Oklahoma, were charged with burglary here this morning in connection with robbery Monday night of a store at Dawn. The men were arrested near Taibair, N. M., early Tuesday morning by Deputy Sheriff McMillan of DeBaca County.

They were apprehended following an attempted break into a store at Taibair. They fled in an automobile when the deputy attempted to arrest them, and the sheriff gave chase and shot a tire off the car, causing it to overturn. Hodkins and Bagges were scratched but were not hurt seriously. Deputy sheriff S. B. Berry of Hereford reported today. The local sheriff's office has filed charges against the pair and has issued a hold order releasing their return to this county for trial.

They were linked with the Dawn theft when stolen goods taken from the store, which is operated by T. O. Newman, were found in their possession. Among the loot were several T-shirts, khaki shirts, trousers, several pairs of socks and a stick of bologna. The only cash missing from the store, which serves as a collection box, was \$15 in a collection for which was being collected for the community Christmas tree. The 1940 Chevrolet four-door sedan in which they were riding was reported stolen at Dumas.

SUMMER WEATHER BREAK ARRIVES

Below freezing temperatures arrived last night to break the spell of warm summer weather which has prevailed over the Panhandle for most of the week. Weather reports from Amarillo Tuesday declared that December 13 was the highest temperature ever recorded there since the U. S. Weather bureau was established. Warm weather has been reported over most of the Plains area. Nights have been equally warm and local residents have complained of weather too warm for comfortable sleep.

Yesterday's radio weather forecast said a mass of cold air was rolling in from the northwestern section of the nation which would disturb the calm, warm weather pattern and bring below freezing mercury readings. Some prospects of light rain were also forecast.

BAPTIST CHURCH CHRISTMAS TREE PLANS COMPLETED

Plans have been completed this week for the annual Christmas tree at the Baptist church Thursday evening, December 23 starting at 7:30 p. m. according to announcements made by church officials. The tree is arranged annually for members of the church and their families.

Plans are also nearing completion for the Christmas tree program which has become a tradition with the church.

Seven from Matador Attend Amarillo Musical Program

Seven Matador music patrons, Mesdames L. D. Wilkerson, Geo. Springer, Margaret Newman, Frank Pohl and Misses Rachel Patton, Amy Glenn and Maggie Bryan attended the Christmas performance of Handel's celebrated "Messiah" held in the Amarillo Municipal Auditorium Sunday evening.

The oratorio featured 14 outstanding soloists and a chorus of approximately 400 singers, all under the direction of the eminent Emil F. Myers.

ATTEND FUNERAL

Mr. and Mrs. George Birchfield, Mrs. R. A. Day, Mrs. Margaret Newman, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Calvert of Flomot, and Mr. and Mrs. Tede Blackshear of Turkey attended the funeral services in Guthrie, Monday for Sam L. Graves, West Texas pioneer.

The deceased was a former brother-in-law of Mesdames Day and Birchfield and Mr. Blackshear.

Quinn Martin left by plane from Lubbock Monday for St. Louis, Missouri on a business trip. He will also visit with some friends while there.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Garrison of Kermit arrived Sunday for a visit with his mother Mrs. Bertha Garrison and other relatives.

Miss Mallie Lee of Abernathy visited over the week-end with her father John Lee and brother Roscoe Lee, patient at Stanley Clinic.

Mrs. Luther Griffin of Lubbock is here assisting at the bedside of her brother, Roscoe Lee. Mrs. Griffin is a nurse.

Walter Wayne Spray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Spray of Whiteflat and Tom Rufus Edmondson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Edmondson visited here last week. They are stationed at Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls.

Mrs. Freeman Thacker made a business trip to Amarillo Tuesday.

Lettermen Are Named

Nine Roaring Springs students (Yellowjackets) were named 1948 lettermen by Superintendent Leo Purvis, Thursday night at the football pep squad banquet held in the Roaring Springs high school science room. Students receiving the distinction were Jackie Andrews, Ralph Bradley, Coy Brown, Gordon Harmon, Bobby Dodson, Bennie Gwinn, John Payne, Tony Sanders and Bill Hodgins, manager.

School colors were used throughout the attractively decorated banquet room. Ingenious use was made of old yellow-jacket nests, turned upward and serving as candle holders, symbolic of the "Yellowjackets." The banquet menu included tomato cocktail, cream chicken in timbale cases, twice-baked potatoes, carrot strips, curled celery, radish roses, green beans, hot rolls, fruit cobbler, coffee. Home ec teacher Miss Dorothy Nelson was sponsor. Serving was by Roaring Springs eighth grade girls.

County Harvests 600 Additional Bales Of Cotton

Motley county has harvested 600 additional bales of cotton since December 1, when special agent Maudie L. Marler of Flomot compiled her U. S. Bureau of Census report, as compared with a survey made yesterday by County Agent J. R. Emmons.

Emmons' survey showed 11,613 bales ginned in three communities as follows: Roaring Springs 3,340, Matador 3,457 and Flomot 4,816.

City To Consider New Lighting Plan

Matador city council will soon consider the draft of a new street lighting plan being prepared by the West Texas Utilities Company.

Officials of the utilities company here recently from Childress and Abilene had about completed the plan which will include a change in the type of street lights now in use on Main street. All installations are made without charge by the company and the cost to the city would merely be the monthly charge for electricity. A sample of the new type light will be installed at the intersection of Highway 70 and Main street, so that residents may observe the improved lighting result.

BUILDING WORKER KILLED IN ABERNATHY MISHAP

ABERNATHY, Dec. 15—A 35-year old construction worker, Arthur F. Meier, of Kingfisher, Okla., was killed about 3:35 p. m. Wednesday when a heavy truck lift tower fell on him at a construction job at Abernathy.

E. B. Walter, construction foreman, said that the crew was hoisting the tower, weighing more than a ton, into place on the tower had been lifted approximately 15 feet off the ground when "something went wrong" and the tower fell squarely on top of Meier.

Mrs. E. F. Springer and Mrs. Warren Clements made a trip to Lubbock Monday.

STATE TO IMPOSE HEAVY FINES FOR PRESERVE HUNTING

State Deputy Game Warden Cecil Shelton, announced this week that hunters are subjecting themselves to severe fines in shooting quail on the more than 70,000 acres State Game Preserve on the Matador Land and Cattle Company property. He said the acreage had been reinstated as a State Game Preserve and that no hunting permits are applicable on the area.

Shelton warned all hunters to carefully check the territory in which they seek birds. Heavy fines apply in cases of violation. The Matador Ranch Red Lake pasture situated mainly in Dickens county but bordering in Motley county is also in the preserve. The Game Warden declared that most of the territory in the preserve is situated west of Highway 18.

Santa Plane Coming Here

Santa is going to land his plane in Matador Wednesday (December 22) at 2 p. m., the Tribune was informed last night. The message said S. Claus was running slightly behind schedule and would be here only a short time. He is scheduled to be in Roaring Springs at 2:30 following his stop in Matador.

Boys and girls were asked to be on hand and either tell Santa personally the gifts they want or tell their parents so they can give the list to Santa. Santa's message asked the boys and girls to look at the gifts in stores in Matador and Roaring Springs where he said the best of presents were to be found.

Fireworks Cause Serious Injury To Youth's Eye

Corby Lee Marshall, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Marshall of Tee Pee Flat was released Sunday from Stanley Clinic where he received treatment for serious eye injury sustained December 5th, while playing with fireworks.

SCOUTS PLANNING CHRISTMAS PARTY

Matador Boy Scout Troop 60 is making plans for a Christmas party Monday night to be held in the Baptist church basement, starting at 7:30 p. m.

Members of the troop will invite guests for the evening. Following the program which will include the playing of games, refreshments will be served.

TWO KILLED, TEXAN INJURED IN NEW MEXICO AUTO CRASH

DEMING, N. M., Dec. 15—Sheriff W. B. Medley of Fort Davis, Texas, suffered a fractured knee cap and pelvis in a head on collision of two automobiles here last night. Two other persons were killed.

State Policemen I. R. Funk identified the dead as Luther Lee Brown, about 50, and his son, Donald 9. They were from Ceres, California.

Roaring Springs
Dear Santa:
Please bring me a toy guitar and a Dr. Kit. And also lots of candy, oranges and apples. And please be good to all the other little boys and girls.
Sammie Dean Swim.
Matador, Texas
December 2, 1948
Dear Santa:
Please bring me some boots, a baton and a cow-girl suit.
Love, Molene Lewis.

Wayland College To Provide Lions Christmas Program

Matador Lions Club annual Christmas program in the Methodist church basement, Tuesday at 12:30 p. m. (December 21) will be provided by foreign students attending Wayland college Plainview, it was announced Monday by program sponsor, Lion Clifford Potts.

Lion Potts said he did not know what countries the foreign students represented, nor the nature of the program, but that college officials assured him the program would be highly interesting and well-prepared.

Body Of Former Motley Serviceman Awaiting Reburial

Body of John Edward Eggleston, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Eggleston, former Matador resident, who died in service overseas, will be reburied at Elgin, Texas, December 19, according to information made available yesterday.

Former Northfield Teacher President Of Borger College

Curtis Cryer, who taught his first school in Northfield prior to the outbreak of World War I, is now president of the new Borger Junior college which opened in a \$1,000,000 plant with 286 students this year.

The new college president who is a friend of banker J. R. Whitworth, attended school one year in Childress, another year at a small school south of Floyd, N. M., and completed his elementary school education at Quail, Texas. He attended old Clarendon college for high school and two years college work.

Leaving Northfield for army service in World War I, Mr. Cryer returned as superintendent of Kirkland schools where he served five years. He taught one year and served an additional year as Dean of Men in Clarendon college. He attended the University of Oklahoma where he received his B.A. and M.A. degrees, completing in 1927. He was superintendent of Dimmitt high schools for five years, nine years at McLean, one year at Gruver and is in his seventh year at Borger.

Eastern Star Members Attend Memphis School

Members of the Matador chapter of the order of Eastern Star Wednesday attended a school of instruction held in Memphis.

Northfield HD Club Has Christmas Party

Annual Christmas party of the Northfield home demonstration club was held Friday, December 10, with Mrs. Nolan Thomas as hostess and Mrs. A. C. Nimmo co-hostess.

Fireboys Stage Christmas Dance

Members of the Matador Volunteer Fire Department staged a Christmas dance at the Fleming Post American Legion hut last night. The party included members of the department and their guests. The affair was well attended and an enjoyable evening was reported.

Record Crowds See Four-Day Contests

MOST SUCCESSFUL Matador Lions-sponsored basketball tournament in the history of the 18-year-old contests terminated at the school gymnasium Saturday night with Spur boys and Quitaque girls receiving the cage "oscar."

Results of the boys contests awarded first place to Spur, second to Floydada and consolation to Memphis.

Finals of the girls game awarded first place to Quitaque, second to Matador and consolation to Spur.

Body Of Former Motley Serviceman Awaiting Reburial

The sportsmanship awards Green (No. 22) of Memphis received top honors for boys and Price (No. 20) of Quitaque, was tendered top honors for girls.

The boys all-tournament team selected after the tournament was Finley, No. 8 of Floydada; Mand, No. 21 of Vernon; Lindsey, No. 30 of Spur; Holcomb, No. 34 of Quitaque and Burns, No. 8 of Cary. (Five players).

Girls all-tournament team was as follows: (six players) F. Hopkins, No. 4 of Spur; Stark, No. 16 of Quitaque; Reynolds, No. 58 of Matador, and (G) Thomas, No. 7 of Spur; Springer, No. 57 of Matador and Barnett, No. 17 of Quitaque.

Large, Excited Crowds

All matches during the entire four days of playing attracted larger-than-expected crowds, that at times taxed the seating capacity of the large gymnasium. There were no dull periods during the four days of playing, with each team adequately supported by enthusiastic fans.

Contests For The First Day

(Wednesday, December 8) ended with the following scores: Boys, Ralls 31 to Lockney 12; Girls, Matador 23 to 8; 5 in One 23 to Turkey 14; Boys 5 in One 44 to Matador 15; Girls: Quitaque 19 to Spur 16; Lockney 24 to Estelline 11; Boys: Spur 37 to Quitaque 35; Turkey 31 to Estelline 16.

Second Day Contest

(Thursday, December 9) ended as follows: Boys: Quitaque 20 to Estelline 18; Spur 37 to Turkey 35; Matador 40 to Lockney 27; Floydada 41 to Kirkland 18; Carey 41 to Flomot 22; Girls: Flomot 34 to Kirkland 9; Spur 39 to Turkey 21; 5 in One forfeited to Quitaque.

Games For The Third Day

(Friday, December 10) ended as follows: Boys: Vernon 43 to Memphis 25; Ralls 35 to 5 in One 19; Vernon 42 to Paducah 27; Floydada 31 to Carey 29; Flomot 34 to Kirkland 14; Girls: Quitaque 35 to Flomot 20; Ralls 19 to Estelline 10; Spur 69 to Kirkland 9; Matador 27 to Lockney 13.

Finals for the fourth day of playing (Saturday, December 11) were as follows: Boys, Memphis 23 to Flomot 16; Quitaque 35 to Matador 30; Floydada 32 to Vernon 26; Spur 31 to Ralls 25; Spur 29 to Floydada 27; Memphis 45 to Quitaque 22; Girls: Spur 27 to Ralls 14; Quitaque 18 to Matador 16; Quitaque 1st place, Matador 2nd place and Spur consolation.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Clements Sunday visited their son, Pvt. R. D. Clements, in training at Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls.

'SANTA' HEEDS MOTHER'S PLEA

VIRGINIA CITY, Nev., Dec. 11.—There is a gambler in this fabulous old Comstock lode town who is making sure Santa Claus has the names of three children down in Alabama.

The gambler is Len Haffey and the youngsters are the children of Mrs. Mary Saffren in Citronelle, Ala.

Things have been tough lately for Connie, 11; Mary, 9, and Butch, 4. Their dad is sick. Their oldest sister's husband is in the hospital at nearby Mobile, awaiting an operation. Their mother has worn herself out working in a cafe.

Despite all this, their mother kept telling them Christmas would be a happy day. She had saved \$38 out of her meager earnings to get the children and her husband presents.

Mrs. Saffren made up her shopping list from the family's mailing order catalogue. It included the things the youngsters wanted most—a doll for Mary, a cheap wrist watch for Connie, sweaters for each of them and a toy tool chest for Butch. There was also a pair of slippers for her husband and some peppermint cases on the list.

There was nothing in the order for Mrs. Saffren herself.

Then Mrs. Saffren lost her wallet. Not only did it hold the Christmas fund but it also contained the \$65 her daughter had saved up for her husband's operation.

Then Mrs. Saffren saw Len Haffey's name in a newspaper. (He's the gambler who arrested a self-styled countess when she couldn't make good her poker losses, but later relented.)

Rheumatism

In a 48 page booklet, a committee of 18 of the nation's leading doctors have issued a complete report of recent research on rheumatism and arthritis.

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In a last chance move, a desperate stab in the dark, Mrs. Saffren addressed a letter to Haffey, "The Poker Game Operator, Virginia City, Nev."

"It wouldn't do to tell my husband about losing the money," she wrote, "because the doctor says he shouldn't be upset. She didn't ask for the money—

V. F. W., Matley County Memorial Post No. 6286, meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 8 p.m. at the court room, Matador, Texas. All eligible ex-service men are invited to attend.

it will hold. But of one thing he's certain: Christmas, at least this year, will be for Mrs. Saffren, too.

Ghost Town Becomes The Real Santa Claus Land

SAVAGE, Md., Dec. 11.—As though a fairy waved a wand, this southern Maryland village became a Christmas wonderland today.

Thousands of youngsters arriving in special trains and autos will find a unseled toy town where there was once a rundown hamlet threatened with a ghostly existence.

Before the day is over the strikingly unsuitable name of Savage will be changed to Santa Heim. Heim is the man who waved the wand and by coincidence it also means "home" in German. Hence a fitting name of "Santa Home".

Harry Heim has been planning this Santa home since he bought the hamlet of Savage, Md., stock and barrel a year ago. Primarily he bought a 200-year-old textile mill going out of business to make his own Christmas tree decorations. With it went 600 acres and 175 company-owned houses and the village utilities.

The quaint old brick houses have been repainted and all wear outdoor Christmas decorations. A community house holds long shelves of toys. The streets are festooned with 28,000 varicolored lights and on intersections are silver trees framing cutouts of nursery rhyme characters.

A huge lighted star tops the factory and at the lane leading into Savage off the busy Washington Boulevard is a miniature castle.

Naturally, Santa Claus and his eight live reindeer pulling a sled are there too. There's also a circus tent with life-size animals operated by motors.

Two special Baltimore & Ohio trains hired by Heim will bring youngsters from Baltimore and Washington, equidistant from here, to Santa Heim. Many others are expected to come in cars and busses.

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Dear Santa Claus: I love you and Mrs. Santa. I want a magic skin doll with dishes, bathinette and a bassinet. I am 9 years old. My brother Carroll wants a BB gun, jeep with lights, and a toy filling station. Carroll is 5 years old. My baby brother wants a

teddy bear, a car, and a little toy rabbit. Byron is one year old. Merry Christmas to all, Jo Anne Potts.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl two years old will you please bring me a doll and a tricycle and my little sister Roy Nell a basketball. Remember all the little children. Bengie Beth Tanner.

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Dear Santa: I have been a good little girl. Please bring me a teddy bear, some doll clothes for my newest doll, a table and chairs. Don't forget the other little children. Love, Judy Hobbs.

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Entire World is Preparing for Yuletide Celebrations Which Will Last a Month

By JAMES POWERS
INS Staff Writer

The sun rarely sets on Yuletide celebrations throughout the world, beginning on Monday, Dec. 13, and lasting somewhere on the earth until a month later.

In the United States there are eleven shopping days left until Christmas. In Sweden shopping days are over for the first important holiday of the season; in the Philippines there are three days left before festivities begin in Scotland the big day is not Dec. 25, but Jan. 1.

All over the world, even those parts of it that are not populated by followers of Christ, the last days of December and early January are a time of holiday and rejoicing.

In America, it is turkey and mince pie that are traditional for Christmas feasting; in Spain, leg of lamb in the south and codfish in the north; in Latin-

America, cool drinks instead of punches; in Scandinavia, lutefisk and ham.

But whether it is Santa Claus, Father Christmas or Saint Nicholas the small fry hopefully expect, the season is anticipated by peoples all over the world in much the same spirit, according to a world-wide survey of International News service correspondents.

Philippine Correspondent Pedro Isorena describes an island's Christmas that probably typifies the day for almost any place in the world.

He tells of Filipino children visiting their relatives on Christmas day and getting symbolic gifts of money as well as toys, clothes and the usual Christmas presents.

He adds: "Later in the day, they return home with their arms, their stomachs, and their pockets full—very happy, very tired and very sleepy."

Hoads To Come Out

From world-wide reports on Christmas feasting habits it is unlikely that Filipino children are the only ones who might become ill from over-eating.

Even in a world largely short of ordinary foods, let alone delicacies, Christmas will be the occasion to let loose with carefully hoarded eatables.

Occupied Japan, though not a Christian nation by tradition has its own celebration on New Year's day and for a week after. Since the allied occupation, Christmas has come to have a festive if not religious meaning.

On New Year's day, the Japanese eat beans for health, seaweed for luck and herring roe for fruitfulness.

In Buddhist, Moslem and other Oriental countries, New Year's day is noted if Christmas is not. In Africa, even if the natives are not Christians, they welcome another holiday and delight in the Christmas tradition of gift exchanging.

Sweden First On Holiday

In the Christian world, the earliest official celebrations are held in Sweden where St. Lucia's day is marked on Dec. 13 with parades and special ceremonies.

Festivities in the Philippines begin on the 16th with the first of a series of "Misas De Gallo," or masses of the rooster. The church services are held before dawn, as the name implies, and in churches adorned with representations of the manger at Bethlehem expectantly awaiting the infant Jesus.

Elsewhere, celebration of the nativity begins up on a week before Dec. 25, but in most of the Christian world Christmas Eve is the highlight of the season.

In the United States, Britain and most of Anglo-Saxon coun-

tries, it is Christmas Eve when families gather and exchange gifts and greetings.

For the kids, nervously sleeping the expectant night away, the early hours of Christmas will find them stealing in to see what Santa has left beneath the glittering tree.

Colors Universal

The Spanish world does not use the Christmas tree as a nativity symbol except in some larger Philippine and Latin-American cities where the American influence has penetrated. But the traditional colors of red and green are almost universal.

In the British Isles and most of the empire, Christmas is a two-day celebration, the day itself is a holiday and the day after is "boxing day." The Dec. 26 holiday got its designation from the custom of exchanging gifts the day after Christmas; Christmas boxes, hence the name.

In England, Wales and Scotland plum pudding generally is substituted for the American mince pie or fruit cake. In Scotland, New Year's day is more important than Christmas. Scotland, of course, is the homeland of Auld Lang Syne.

A London correspondent Frank Betts, notes wistfully that even for Scotland there will be very little of the British empire's most famous liquor—scotch whisky—to celebrate with. Most scotch is imported to the United States to give Britain needed dollar credits.

In Spain and most Spanish-speaking countries, gift exchanging is held off until Jan. 6, the feast of the Epiphany, commemorating the visit of the magi to the infant Jesus with their offerings of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

There is a general absence in Spain and Argentina of the carols so traditional in Teutonic, Scandinavian and Celtic countries of the north. The English carols and German hymns have never been widely circulated in Spanish.

In countries in the Southern Hemisphere, from Australia to South Africa to Chile, the seasons are reversed and the weather is usually that of the height of summer. In Argentina, though

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mistletoe is imported to insure that one good custom of Christmas is not slighted.

Double Pay Given

Another Argentinian custom that probably would be welcomed enthusiastically throughout the world—except by harried employers—is the double day received during December. Employees are paid twice during the month, once on Christmas Eve and again on New Year's Eve.

The Scandinavian equivalent of American tom and jerrys and eggnog is "glogg." While Latin-Americans below the equator slake their summer thirst with cold drinks, the Swedes and others in the northern climates prepare hot beverages.

Glogg is a punch cooked with almonds, raisins and other spices served hot.

The Scandinavian season is the longest of any throughout the world. It opens on Dec. 13 with St. Lucia's day and does not close until Jan. 13. On the last day of the season, children are allowed to raid the Christmas tree for any small gifts, fruits and candies hung as decorations.

were burned to death when their ballet costumes were ignited by a portable gas heater as they gathered in a dressing room while preparing to give a Christmas performance for a group of orphans.

Death Strikes Convalescents

In 1945, seventeen people died and 30 others were injured in Hartford, Conn., when a short circuit set fire to combustible decorations around a Christmas tree in a convalescent home.

These tragedies emphasize the importance of taking special precautions during the Christmas season, safety experts point out. All costumes and decorations should be flame-proofed, and children should be cautioned not to stand near open flames. Candles should never be used as part of Christmas decorations or lighting, and electric cords should be checked for wear. Greater safety can be insured by looking for the Underwriters' Laboratories tag or label on Christmas light cords.

ANSON TO REVIVE PIONEER LIFE IN COWBOY YULE BALL

ANSON, Texas, Dec. 11.—Pioneer social life will be revived for four days, beginning Dec. 21, that is the date for the opening round of the Cowboy Christmas Ball in Anson, where a frontier village of ten houses celebrated the yule season back in the middle 80's.

Dance steps for the four nights will include the square, the Va. waltzes and others.

The by-laws of the Anson organization that sponsors the cowboy balls restricts all dances to pioneer style.

Pioneer costumes are worn by most of those who attend.

ed since he was five years old and says his day isn't complete without it. He wishes it were warmer so that he could go fishing.

Smoked At Five, Still Smoking

GRAND SALINE, Tex., Dec. 11.—William Henry James, one of the nation's few surviving Confederate veterans, celebrated his 100th birthday Friday.

As usual, he spent the day smoking his pipe. He has smok-

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Death Takes No Holidays, Record Shows

Christmas fire tragedies which have struck many cities in past years indicate the need for extra care during the holiday season, the National Board of Fire Underwriters says.

Ninety-nine people died in St. Johns, Newfoundland, during the Christmas season six years ago when flames from a kitchen stove ignited combustible decorations hanging from the ceiling. Panic contributed to the death toll in this fire, which cost more lives than any other Christmas disaster on this continent.

Oklahoma Tragedy

Thirty-six people died in a school house in Babbs Switch, Oklahoma, when candles ignited a Christmas tree at a party during the 1924 Yuletide season. One hundred others were injured.

In Jersey City, New Jersey, a toy electric train ignited a Christmas tree set up in a hotel lobby, and four deaths resulted. This tragedy occurred in 1937, and a year later three children

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December Wedding Couple In Their December of Life

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., 10—The marriage of Mrs. E. Black, 2100 W. Bijou St., and Charles D. Bird of Matador, Texas, reads like a story book. Childhood playmates, who had seen each other in sixty-six years, they met last summer, renewing their friendship, which grew into a romance in their married years—Mrs. Black is seventy-seven years of age, and Mr. Bird is eighty-two. The wedding was solemnized Thursday at 1 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Black's daughter, Mrs. L. Powell, with whom she has been making her home for the past two years. The Rev. H. C. Wiley, pastor of the Trinity Methodist church officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Bird were both born in Buffalo Gap, Taylor county, Texas. Mrs. Black's grandfather was W. S. Sowell, a famous Indian fighter of Texas fame, and first county commissioner of Taylor county, Texas. Mr. Bird is the owner and manager of the T. Cross-Bar ranch, near Matador, and is still active in business. He is president of the First State Bank of Matador. He was first president of the Old Settlers organization of Matley and Dickens county. Four generations were present at the wedding—Mrs. Bird, her daughter Mrs. Powell, Mrs. A. Graber, daughter of Mrs. Powell and Patty Graber, ring bearer. Immediately following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Bird

Church Group Holds Annual Christmas Party

Annual Christmas party and Royal Service program of the Baptist church W. M. U. was held Tuesday evening in the home of Mrs. C. P. Waybourn. Winter greens, flowers and holiday decorations of pine cones, and holly wreath amplified the festive motif. Subject of the evening was "Findings of Peace" presented by Mrs. Dick Groves as leader and Messdames J. E. Edwards, Howe Hines, Bill McCaghen, R. E. Campbell, Jr., and Farris Fish. Each presented a picture of Christmas as celebrated in other lands. Music included group singing of old Christmas hymns and carols. A special business session was held with President, Mrs. Forrest Campbell presiding. Following the regular program each member received a number which corresponded with a number on a Christmas present under the attractively decorated Christmas tree. Mrs. Farris Fish served as Santa Claus. Refreshments of spiced tea and cookies were served the following: Messdames W. M. Clifton, Myrtle Barton, V. Rattan, Alfred Barton, Fred Clowers, C. C. Renfro, L. R. Browning, T. E. Cammack, Ben Keltz, Velma Fulfer, Grandmother Fulfer, H. S. Watson, Dick Groves, A. B. Fulkerson, Bill McCaghen, T. E. Long, Farris Fish, J. R. Moore, Billy Starkey, V. J. Skaggs, D. P. Keith, Joe Campbell, Elbert Reeves, J. E. Edwards, C. Warren, Herman Stanfield, Howe Hines, Forrest Campbell, Bess Patton, Lloyd Fulkerson, R. E. Campbell, Sr., Harold Campbell, A. J. Cooper, Clarence Kifer, L. E. Boshears, J. L. Woodruff, Clifford Potts, R. E. Campbell, Jr., Lee Burns, Robert Darsey, Jackson, Misses Maggie Bryan and Amy Glenn and Mrs. C. P. Waybourn.

Mary Lel Groves Is Honored At Birthday Party

Mary Lel Groves was honored on her fifth birthday, December 8th, with a party given by her mother Mrs. Dick Groves. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served to the following: Dixie Ann Barton, Mary Lena Newman, Sandra Steevens, Christina Dameron, Cheri Ann Barton, Wreathel Hicks, Patsy Briscoe, Judy Hobbs, Carroll Lynn Campbell, Carolyn Price, and the young hostess Mary Lel Groves. Sandra Gray and Vada Beth Nichols were unable to attend. Favors were perfume lamps, gum and candy.

Bobby Harp and Jackie Simpson, Tech students were home for the week-end.

in the Want-Ads

PERSONAL
Harry—I wanted a new Butane Gas system and Servel Refrigerator from the Matador Butane Company last winter and you wouldn't get it for me.—Mabel.

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Tuesday: W. S. C. S. meets
Wednesday: 7:30 p. m. Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 8:15 p. m. Choir Practice
The Church bell rings 30 minutes before Church School time; 30 minutes before evening worship and 30 minutes before Prayer Meeting. You Are Always Welcome at the Methodist Church.

Baptist Church

Clifford Potts, Pastor
Sunday: 10 a. m. Sunday School, 11 a. m. Morning Service, 6:30 p. m. Training Union, 7:30 p. m. Evening Service
Monday: 3:30 p. m. Burleson Circle meets
4 p. m. Each alternate Monday, Junior and Intermediate G. A.'s meet
Tuesday: 8:00 p. m. Henrietta Shuck circle meets
Wednesday: 7:30 p. m. Prayer Service.

Assembly of God

Rev. G. B. Bowen, Pastor
Sunday: 9:45 a. m. Sunday School, 11 a. m. Morning Worship, 7 p. m. Evening Worship
Tuesday: 3:15 p. m. WMC meets
Thursday: 7 p. m. Prayer Meeting.

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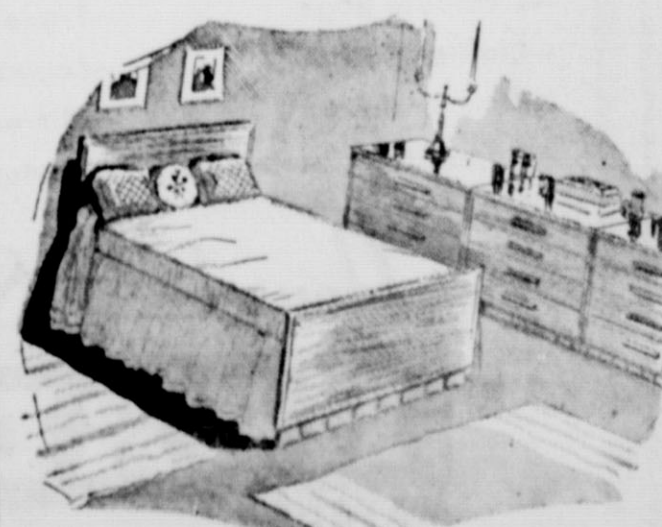
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Annual Christmas Operetta Scheduled

Matador grade school annual operetta, "Susanna's Christmas Auction" will be presented Monday evening, December 20th, 7:30 in high school auditorium. The cast includes: Susanna, a stubborn little girl, Joanne Darsey; Susanna's mother, Betty Ruth Smalley; Susanna's father, Charles Keith; Santa Claus, Jimmie Graham; Mrs. Santa Claus, Bette Fran Montgomery; Uncle Felix, A. B. Simpson; Aunt Julia Mickie Steen; Ponto, Susanna's little dog, Robert Darsey; Susanna's cousins, Joanne Potts, Sue McCaghren, Rose Carolyn Donovan, Glynda McWilliams, Gaye Crump, Dayton Graham; Santa's Helpers, First grade boys; Christmas Bells, First grade girls; Rhythm Band, Second grade; Christmas Wreaths, Third Grade Girls; Toy Policemen, Third Grade Boys; Drum Major, Peggy Jean Welling; Carolers, Fourth Grade Girls; Teddy Bears, 4th grade boys.

"The Joy of Christmas Morning" arranged and directed by Mrs. L. D. Wilkerson includes: Reader, Mary Helen Stephens; Youngest daughter, Daisy Mae Bird; Mother, Dorothy Rattan; Oldest daughter, Geraldine Wayburn; Soloists, Elwanda Martin Doris Ann Doss, Shirley Estes; high school choruses; accompanist, Patti Pipkin.

Roaring Springs NEWS

(By Mrs. L. E. Cooper)

A. C. Cross arrived home last Wednesday from Kansas where he had been with the Brodie Construction company. He visited with his family until Saturday when he left for Albuquerque, New Mexico to work on a new job.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Holt of Quanah spent Sunday here visiting their father D. Holt and sister Mrs. M. D. Freeman.

Rev. and Mrs. I. A. Smith of Big Spring spent Friday and Saturday here visiting friends. Rev. Smith also held funeral services for Mrs. Bertie Gipson.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Murphy and son of Lubbock were Sun-

day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hoyle.

Earl Jean Freeman left Sunday for Los Angeles, California. He will be gone indefinitely.

Mesdames Bob Cooper, Jerry Cooper of Roaring Springs and Mrs. Johnny Moss of Floydada were shopping in Lubbock last Thursday.

The Roaring Springs M. Y. F. went to Spur Wednesday night to a Christmas party with other sub zone M. Y. F. members.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brown made a business trip to Plainview last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Nichols and sons of Amarillo spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Nichols.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Burt left Sunday for Hereford where he is on a construction job.

Mrs. Patsy Martin of Corpus Christi was called here Friday by the death of her grandmother Mrs. Bertie Gipson.

Mr. and Mrs. Berry Watson are here visiting their children until after the holidays.

The W.S.C.S. will hold a bazaar and food sale at the new Thacker building Saturday, December 18th.

Flomot, Texas

Dear Santa:

I am in the first grade. I want a bicycle, a basketball and a magic skin doll, my little brother David wants a wagon, a big gun, and some cars, and a little truck. We have been good children.

Love,
Linda and David Rattan,
Matador, Texas

Dear Santa:

I want the doll that has been checked, I want the doll bunk beds, I want a doll bathnet, I want a cow girl suit. And some candy and fruit.

Love,
Charlotte Campbell,
Matador, Texas

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a barn yard, a story book, some records for my record player, I want some kiddie jig-saw puzzles, a machine gun and tractor with bulldozer. Last I want a steam shovel, and don't forget my baby brother Jamie eighteen months old. Fill our socks with candy and nuts. Remember all the boys and girls.

Love,
Jon Stewart Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. James Folmar and baby daughter of Houston are here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eldred Seigler.

Arle Carpenter of Lefors visited his brother Walter Carpenter last week-end.

Charles Payne and Stanley Dan Level students at West Texas State college, Canyon were home over the week-end.

Frank Webb of Big Spring, accompanied by his two sons is visiting his father W. E. Webb of the Teepee Flat community.

R. F. Simpson of Roaring Springs was looking after business interests in Matador, Monday afternoon.

Miss Chareen Ketchersid of Lubbock visited her parents Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Ketchersid over the week-end.

Mrs. A. A. Tipton accompanied Mrs. Albert Rattan, Home Demonstration agent to Northfield, Friday afternoon.

Misses Maggie Bryan and Amy Glenn are visiting in Amarillo this week.

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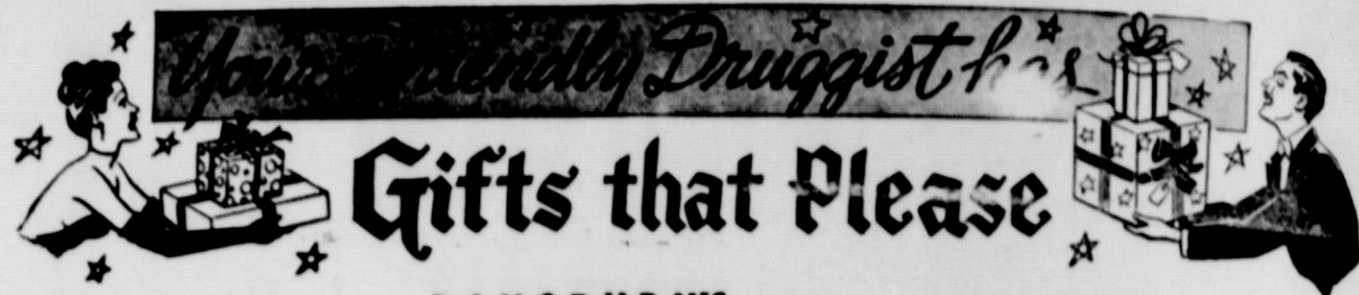
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DEC. 18, 19, 20—1948's big western epic—"RETURN OF THE BAD MEN"—Comedy—News

DEC. 21, 22—"THE BLACK ARROW"—starring Lois Hayward, Jane Blain—Comedy.

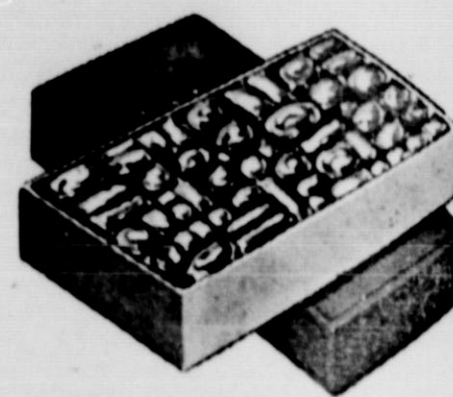
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Third grade: Anne Lee, Joyce Lynn, France McMahan. Fourth grade: Larry Allen, Joanne Darsey, Gave Crump, Glynda McWilliams, Mary Lou Watkins. Fifth grade: Frank Traweck, Barbara Casey and Lucretia Edwards.
The following lists of students in grade school made an average of 80 or above in all subjects this six weeks. First grade: Clinton Burns, Jan Barton, Faye Cornes, Jo Ann Andrews, Verna

Watkins, Robert Darsey. Second grade: Harry Campbell, James Calvin Smalley, Hazel Bean and Peggy Welling. Third grade: Virginia Stephens, Charlene Waybourn, Frances Lancaster, Wayne Bowen, Lavoy Chambliss, Grant Cooper, W. C. Kitchens, Roger Scaff, James Steel, Karn Burns, Frances Lancaster, Martha Lynch, Ida Mae Simpson. Fourth grade: Clay Jameson, Rose Carolyn Donovan, Sue McCaghen, Christine Green, Arvin Ellithorp, Myrna Voy Moore, Betty Neighbors, Barbara Waybourn. Fifth grade: Hubert Fulkerson, Stanley Neighbors, Gail McWilliams, Jeannie Bearden. Sixth grade: Tom Hamilton, Jimmy Watson and Stanley McDonough. Seventh grade: Neal Pipkin and Bette Montgomery. Eighth grade: Charles Keith, Kay Pounds, Ronald Hobbs, Susy Hughes and Betty Ruth Smalley.

ment! Lewis Hodgins was only one of a number of fellas seen sitting with Fran!
Wonder why it was that Doris wanted Flomot to win their games so bad? Could number 15 have had something to do with that? It's a 864 question!
Well, folks—until we meet again, Adieu.
Mis El Matador.
—M. H. S.—

M. H. S. Holidays To Begin With Arrival Of Santa Claus

On next Tuesday, December 21, the M. H. S. students and faculty will begin their week of Christmas holidays at the close of a Christmas program with a tree and Santa. The program will consist of a poem by Mary Helen Stephens; a song by Doris Doss and Shirley Estes; a piano solo by Dorothy Traweck; a Christmas song by Rosemary Bloodworth, Ann Harp, Sarah Springer and Patti Pipkin; an accordion solo by Rosemary Bloodworth; and a short talk by Rev. Potts. Names have been drawn by the students and faculty of M. H. S. and gifts will be brought to put under the Christmas tree. Of course Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without Santa so with much red tape and trouble, he has been asked to be there on this special date for the Christmas tree and program. Everyone is cordially invited to attend this program which is to be at 2 p. m. Tuesday.

—M. H. S.—
MEET A PERSONALITY
Name—Billy Whitaker
Age—16; Height—6 ft.
Weight—175
Color of hair—Brown
Color of eyes—Blue
Favorite song—"You Can't Be True, Dear"
Favorite book—Silver Chief
Favorite sport—Football
Favorite comic strip—Buzz Sawyer
Favorite movie—The Virginian
Favorite movie star—John Wayne
Favorite food—Ice cream
Favorite color—Red
Pet like—Friendly people
Pet dislike—Cold weather
Pastime—Sleeping
Hobbies—Riding
College—Undecided
Ambition—To get out of high school
When joined class of '49—1943

COMING EVENTS

Friday, Dec. 17—Mrs. L. D. Wilkerson and Mrs. Randall Whitworth will present a Christmas recital.
Monday, Dec. 20—An all school Christmas program will be presented by the High School Choral Club and the Grade School Club. The grade school will present an operetta which is called "Susanna's Christmas Auction" and the high school girls will present a program which is called "The Joy of Christmas Morning."
Tuesday, Dec. 21—High school Christmas program and school out for holidays.
Wednesday, Dec. 29—Classes and activities begin again.
Thursday, Dec. 30—The PTA is entertaining M. H. S. students with a party at the gymnasium from 7:30 to 9:30 p. m.

GUESS WHO

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—ikes a certain Junior
—ducated? But definitely
—eally nuts about brunettes (a certain one)
Matador, Texas
Dec. 12, 1948

and a blackboard, my little sister wants a doll too. We have been good so bring us those if you can. Thanks.
Love,
Linda and Annie Lynch

Roaring Springs, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am in the third grade I want a BB gun, and a jumping dog, a cap gun and a scabbard. Don't forget my brother Nathan age 5 wants a truck and a car. Elgie age 2 wants a jumping dog and a truck. We want some candy and nuts Santa don't forget the other little boys and girls. And be good to them.
Love,
Herman, Nathan, and Elgin McCleskey

Matador, Texas
Dear Santa:
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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh



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So now the missus and Slim have an understanding. No more duck hunting for her—no more lectures for him. They decided each to his own taste.

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Joe Marsh

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'Grown-up Child' Writes to Santa

GREENVILLE, Tex., Dec. 8.—A letter to Santa Claus from a "grown-up child" came to the desk of W. C. Poole, Jr., of The Greenville Morning Herald.

Publisher Poole published it in his daily front-page column, explaining he had no idea who the author is, "but it is so well written, and expresses such an unusual theme, that we think everyone who reads it will be as deeply impressed as we were."

The letter:
"It has been a long, long time since I have written to you. I have now moved from the old home on Happy Street to a house of loneliness and doubt, which stands at the end of Disillusion Avenue.

"All the gloriously bright little baubles that I had in years gone by are now either broken or tarnished and tear-stained.

"Please bring me a few of those precious toys that I once had—the shining bubbles of joy,

the tinkling bells of cheer that rang in my voice; the candles of faith that shone in my eyes; the frankincense and myrrh of steadfast hope that strengthened my soul and the lode star of universal love that gleamed in my heart.

"In the years past, I realize I did not appreciate those priceless treasures or care for them as I should have—but now I repent my carelessness and humbly ask you to remember me with another supply this Christmas.

"I will hang my empty heart by the chimney Santa and, please, this is what I want:

"Give me a large basket of forgetfulness, with which to cover up all bitterness and useless brooding; a larger box of forgiveness for those who robbed me of laughter and filled my eyes with tears; leave me enough of the cement of hope to mend the shattered fragments of joy; tuck in a little song of cheer, and, please, Santa, leave quite a lot of plain old-fashioned faith, understanding, unselfishness and tolerance that I can share freely with my neighbors.

"Sincerely and thankfully,
"A grown-up child."

SANTA ANSWERS GROWN CHILD

A "Grown-up Child" who wrote Santa Claus a touching request for some shining bubbles of joy has received a letter from St. Nick himself.

The "Grown-up Child" addressed the Santa letter to W. C. Poole, Jr., of the Morning Herald at Greenville. The AP picked it up, and it was published in The Daily News on Thursday morning.

Santa's reply to the gloomy grown-up came from Roberta Campbell of Amarillo to The Daily News.

Since both letters are good enough to knock out of the papers the "Yes, Virginia . . ." letter the editor of The New York Sun wrote to a girl named Virginia many years ago, the Greenville Grown-up's note to Santa and his reply are presented here in full.

The reply:
"Dear Grown-up Child:
"I was by your house on my rounds tonight, but your door was barred with mistrust, and your chimney so clogged with bitterness that I could not find access to your empty heart. No Christmas wreath hung in the doorway of desire, and no light shone from your window of hope.

"However, Grown-up Child, you shall not be disappointed. Your Christmas this year is to be a belated Treasure Hunt and you may find the things you have asked for his places like the following:

"Forgetfulness, the first on your list, you must begin to look for very early, and it could be hidden for you in a Red Cross work room, a charity hospital, a child's Sunday school class, or some welfare organization.

"When you have found Forgetfulness, then Forgiveness will come easy—perhaps under your own tear-soaked pillow or between pages of your Bible.

"The other things you have asked for will fill your heart only as you keep seeking for them.

"The Bells of Cheer you mention may be the tinkling near a tripod and kettle at the corner,

or maybe it is in the laughter of the child as he eagerly reaches for the toys you have just had wrapped for him. It could be the purring of that thin, bedraggled kitten asleep at your feet and full of warm milk up to his whiskers.

"But the best gift of all you will find when you return home to read the headlines of the evening paper—'Disillusion Avenue Residents Evacuated for Repairs New Address Will Again Be On Happy Street!'

"Yours for a Happier New Year,
"Santa Claus"

Films Are Shown At Parent-Teacher Regular Meeting

Matador Parent-Teacher Association held a regular meeting in the high school auditorium Wednesday afternoon (December 8th.) It was the organization's third regular meeting of the year.

Mrs. J. P. Sturdivant was program leader. The program included the showing of two films, "The Feeling of Hostility" and "The Feeling of Rejection". Christmas carols were sung by a

group of grade school children under the direction of Mrs. L. D. Wilkerson.

A short business meeting preceded the showing of the films. President Mrs. John Hamilton told of her trip to the El Paso state convention.

Distinction was accorded the eighth grade on having the most parents present. Enjoyable refreshments were served in the home economics room under direction of Mrs. Loyd Latimer assisted by her home ec girls.

Party Is Arranged
A party was arranged for high school boys and girls on the evening of December 30th between the hours of 7:30 and 9:30

in the school gymnasium. Games will be played and refreshments served during the evening.

Next regular meeting of the association will be held in the grade school library January 12. All parents are urged to attend.

Roaring Springs, Texas
December 7, 1948

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a new doll, some dishes, a washing machine and some new clothes for the new dolly. Please bring some print dresses for the dolly.

Thank you, your friend,
Barbara Ann Hunt



For a Happier Christmas .

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- Bed Lamps
- Bath Sets
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- Washing Machine
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- Base Rockers
- Unpainted Chests

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- Waffle Irons
- Coffee Makers
- Crystar Stem Ware
- Juice King Sets
- Punch Bowl Sets
- Fruit Bowls
- Water Sets
- Hair Dryer
- Fruit Liquidizer
- Electric Corn Popper
- Lifetime Ware
- Presto Cookers
- Mirror-Matic Cookers
- Carving Sets
- Electric Whippers
- Hand Painted Plates
- Cake Covers
- Vases

GIFTS FOR TEENS

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- Portable Radio
- RCA Camera Radio
- Record Player
- Overnight Bag
- Gift Soap Sets
- Stationery
- Musical Powder Boxes
- Blue Bird Sets
- Travel Irons
- Luggage
- Mirrors
- Student Desks

GIFTS FOR BROTHER

- Air Rifle
- Footballs
- Basketballs
- Skates
- Erector Sets
- Chemistry Sets
- Soft Balls
- Wrist Watch
- Flash Lights
- Pen Lights
- Pocket Knives
- Pin Ball Machines
- Football Helmets

TOYS

- Dart Games
- Toy Drums —B.B.'s
- Flying Airplanes
- ABC Blocks
- Pop Guns
- Little Chef Doll Stoves
- Steam Engines
- Boys & Girls Bicycles
- Lincoln Logs
- Tinker Toys
- Tricycles
- Monopoly Games
- Red Wagons
- Movie Picture Guns
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Thompson Promises Flare Gas Wastage To Be Eliminated

The following statement has recently been released by Ernest O. Thompson, chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission, with regards to wastage of flare gas from oil wells.

"The economy and continued prosperity and wellbeing of the entire State of Texas is tied in absolutely and inescapably with the production of oil and gas.

"Conservation and waste prevention of these God-given irreplaceable natural resources is vital to every man, woman and child of Texas.

"Our schools are affected; our churches are vitally interested, and our landowners are dependent upon the Railroad Commission of Texas to see to it that oil and gas are not wasted. The stockholders of companies wasting gas are affected, and the landowners and royalty owners are vitally affected. The State of Texas is losing the taxes on this wastage of gas in flares from oil wells.

Today we have 110,000 producing oil wells in our State, producing 2,500,000 barrels of oil each day. Oil sells today at around \$2.50 to \$3 per barrel. Even at \$2.50 a barrel this means an income of 6 1/2 million dollars per day to the oil producers of Texas.

We have 1425 oil fields in Texas stretching from the piney woods of East Texas to the shadow of the David Mountains, and from the Magic Valley of the Rio Grande to the Llano Estacado up in the Panhandle.

Nature has been bounteous in her distribution of oil and gas all over Texas. Therefore conservation of oil and gas is not a local problem; it's statewide in Texas. Every school child is

benefitted by conservation and by conservation, I mean wise use of nature's blessing—not wasting it away in flares from oil wells.

The sky is lighted in many parts of our State by oil well gas flares burning valuable gas to the air. Every citizen has seen this waste going on. It must be stopped. It can be stopped.

The Railroad Commission has been working for many years to get the operators to cease and desist from this wasteful practice. At one time a billion feet of gas per day was wasted in the Panhandle. All that waste in the Panhandle has been effectively stopped.

Hundreds of oil fields now save every foot of the gas produced with oil. It means added profits to the producers.

Our program is to stop all such waste wherever the quantity is great enough to justify saving the gas.

The oil companies ought to save this gas without being compelled to do it by law. They are wasting their valuable assets when they do not save flare gas and use it either to lift more oil or for some lawful purpose or use.

The Supreme Court in the Seeligen Case said it was within the powers of the Railroad Commission and was the Commission's responsibility to stop this waste wherever it was economically feasible and reasonable to do so, and we are requiring that waste of gas be stopped in 16 more fields on December 1, 1948. More show cause orders on other fields will be soon forthcoming.

We tell the operators to either save the gas or cease producing oil there until they are ready to save the gas that comes with the oil. I believe this is reasonable.

Of course, the operators will try to enjoin our orders in the courts, but I feel that in the end we shall prevail in stopping this waste of the heritage of all the

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Christmas decorating is in full swing at the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Crippled Children as Richard Ooley, Spearman, and John Ballard, Dallas, trim a Christmas tree. The two little girls in wheelchairs, Marilyn Barrett, Odessa, and Tommie Kay Robinson, Hereford, avoid the Christmas postal rush by wrapping their gifts early with colorful paper and ribbon. The Scottish Rite Hospital is supported by contributions and bequests from generous people in the Lone Star State.

people of Texas. We are certainly in earnest about it.

Every oil field in Texas is being restudied. Wherever it is economically feasible the gas flare waste will be ordered stopped. If an oil field's gas waste can be stopped by reducing the allowable, that will be done on request of the operators.

TODAY IS FINAL DAY OF DUCK AND GOOSE SEASON

Today is the last day of duck and goose season for 1948. Quitting time is 4:35 o'clock.

Hunters are allowed to retain ducks and geese in possession for 90 days after the close of the season. Possession limit is ten ducks and two geese.

Quail season will remain open through January 16.

"Don't fire until you see the whites of their eyes" was a command given in the Battle of Bunker Hill.

MRS. JOHN LEE SMITH SERVICES SET TODAY

LUBBOCK, Dec. 16—Funeral services for Mrs. John Lee Smith, wife of a former lieutenant governor of Texas, are to be held at 3 p. m. today in Asbury Methodist church.

Rev. C. A. Bickley, pastor, is to officiate, assisted by Rev. Guss Elrod, an uncle of Mrs. Smith.

Burial will be in Tech Memorial park, under direction of Plains Funeral home.

Roaring Springs

Dear Santa: I have been a good little boy. Please bring me a pony chime pull-toy and a little car, a hammer, and some pecans.

Rogere Swim.

The flag of the Confederate States of America during the Civil War was called the "Stars and Bars."

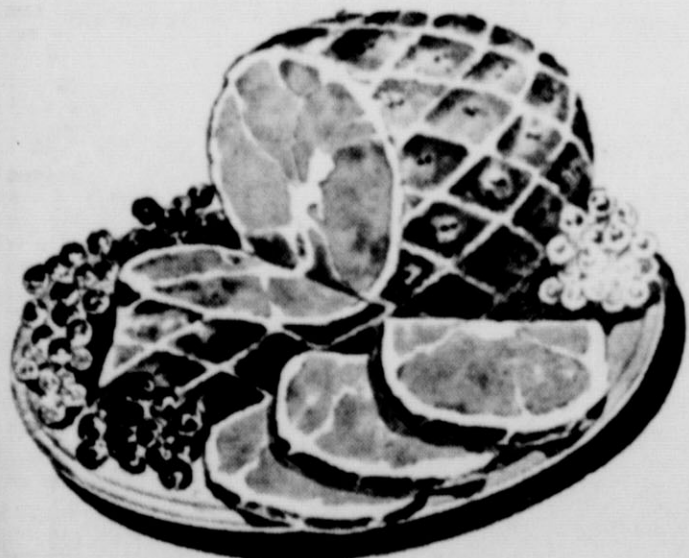
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