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# Recollections

by Duff Green

## SOLITUDE

In all countries of few people there seems a kindlier, warmer, more friendly spirit of fellowship as they occasionally contact each other than is the case where people are as thick as hops. The fewer the people you see, the less strangers are present. Very much like Robinson Crusoe when he found his man Good Friday.

Loneliness is a friendship builder, so you never meet a stranger. Thus it was in West Texas before all these people that are here now, arrived to live strangers at your door.

All sorts of general questions were bandied around with little or no hint of their becoming personal. By chance it had been dry for a long time and the country had just been drenched with a generous downpour. Everyone felt called upon to inflate the rainfall in his particular section even to becoming a little windy in exaggeration.

During a council on one such occasion, old man Tom Gilmore from the Spur Ranch headquarters was there, and when asked about the rainfall said, "A fine gallon jug sitting out in the open caught full of water, but he had no idea just how many inches of water fell." That would indicate a pretty heavy rainfall, but Uncle Tom didn't tell that the jug was filled by the flood waters of the creek nearby.

Sometimes the windies told of excessive hail storms and one fellow said he saw an awful hail storm and about the only way he could

estimate its depth was that it filled and overflowed a drilled well sixty feet deep; still he never added the hail was washed into that well.

Everyone knows how freakish cyclones act at times. A crowd of the old boys, Matador John Smith included, were talking about the strange things cyclones do when John spoke up and said he would believe anything he heard about a cyclone. Someone then told about a cyclone hitting a place; said a washpot sitting out in the yard was turned inside out and ruined because the legs stuck up in the pot. John Smith let that soak for a moment then he again said, "I will be damned if I believe that." And so it went along, the boys had to have something to break the monotony of many idle hours when they had their work well in hand, so from lack of worthwhile information, resorted to being windy, without becoming downright liars.

Bill Hyatt is the fellow that told me about driving a bunch of saddle horses, from the Pecos River across the Plains in the dead of winter and being caught in a dreadful blizzard when his chuck played out, and when asked what he did for eats, said, "I ate green plums." Even I didn't believe that! It is just possible, though not probably that someone had seen plum bushes on the Plains. But for them to have green plums on them, during a snowstorm in the winter time, well, it is just too remarkable to swallow, without lots of water to help wash it down.

## John M. Russell Files For Re-Election

John M "Sonny" Russell, Motley County Farmer and Rancher has filed for re-election Motley County Commissioner, Precinct 1. Mr. Russell stated, "I will continue to look after the interests of Motley

County and particularly Precinct 1. I have experience to handle situations for the future of the county. I would like to have the opportunity to serve you again."

## Simpson Will Not Seek Re-Election

Joseph 'Gid' Simpson has informed the Tribune that he will not seek re-election for Motley County Commissioner, Precinct 3.

Simpson stated, "I want to thank all the people for your support and I will continue to do the best I can for the remainder of my term."

## Farm Bureau Elects New Member To Board Of Directors

C.H. Dowdy, Jr., of Route 4, Wichita Falls, has been elected to the Board of Directors of Texas Farm Bureau, the largest state farm organization in the nation.

The Clay County farmer was nominated by delegates of his district, TFB District 3, and elected by the voting delegates to Texas Farm Bureau's 54th annual convention in Lubbock recently. He succeeds Leonard Schaffner of Henrietta who had served the six years permitted by TFB by-laws.

The new TFB Board member raises wheat and hay and has a commercial cow/calf herd operation in Clay County.

Dowdy has been active in Farm Bureau for many years and has

served as both vice president and president of the Clay County Farm Bureau. He also served on the state resolutions committee in 1986.

A graduate of the high school in Petrolia, he received both his bachelor of science and MEd degrees from Midwestern University.

Dowdy and his wife, Joan, have three children, Beth, Lisa and Bill. The Dowdys are members of the First Baptist Church in Wichita Falls.

District 3 includes the following counties: Archer, Baylor, Clay, Cottle, Foard, Hardeman, Haskell, Jack, King, Knox, Montague, Motley, Stonewall, Throckmorton, Wichita, Wilbarger, Wise and Young.

## Some Businesses To Close For Christmas Holidays

The Matador Businesses that will be closed for the Christmas Holidays are as follows: Friday only, Pay-N-Save, Billie Deans, Don's Conoco, Pennies Country Bouquet, Stockman Supply; Friday and Saturday: Matador Motor and Implement, Matador Variety, Guys and Gals, Matador Hardware, Stanley Pharmacy, The Windmill. Those closing at noon on Thursday through Saturday are: First State Bank, Higginbotham-Bartlett, Summit Savings, Matador Post Office. The Pizza Box will close at

3:00 on Thursday and open at 11:00 on Saturday.

The Roaring Springs businesses closed on Friday only are: Red Hen Market, Davis Super Service, Stafford Farm Store (open Saturday until 1:00); Friday and Saturday, Thacker Supply Co., Texas Wagon Train Restaurant and Museum. Thacker Jewelry will close at noon on Thursday and be closed through Saturday.

In Flomot, Kathy's will be closed December 24 through Jan. 4.

Praise the Lord!



Is Lindy Kissing Santa Claus?

## Windbreak Trees Available Through Upper Pease SWCD



by Ed Logan

Windbreak trees are currently for sale by the Upper Pease Soil and Water Conservation District. If you are interested in ordering trees, contact the Soil and Water Conservation District in the Motley County Courthouse, Monday through Friday, from 7 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. - phone: 347-2263. The deadline for ordering trees is February 1, 1988. Trees will be available for pickup on February 19, from 7 a.m. - 12 noon at the Soil Conservation Service office in the basement of the courthouse.

A wide variety of trees adapted to our area are available for purchase. Both conifers and hardwoods are available. Some of the trees which may be purchased are: Afghan Pine, Austrian Pine, Ponderosa Pine, Redcedar, Scotch Pine, Flameleaf Sumac, Green Ash, Honeylocust, Russian Olive, and Pecan just to name a few. Also, Wildlife Seedling Packets are available. These packets include a number of species per packet. For

example the Quail and Pheasant Packet includes the following trees: Russian Olive, Native Plum, Skunkbrush Sumac, Sandcherry, Fourwing Saltbrush, and Lilac.

Windbreaks have several advantages when planted both around fields and the house. When used around fields the protection from loss of crops and soil as the result of damaging winds is significantly reduced. Windbreaks may also provide food and shelter to livestock and wildlife. Trees used in windbreaks are not only for the protection of fields and crops but are also used to protect the home. There are a number of advantages which accompany the presence of a windbreak around the house. Windbreaks protect the house from damaging winds and blowing dust. They may also decrease heating cost, screen excessive noise, and improve the esthetic value of your house and property.

The availability of some trees is limited, so if you are interested in purchasing trees, place your order as soon as possible with the Soil and Water District.

## Conservation Reserve Program

The next Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) sign-up is scheduled for February 1-12th. Producers in Motley County wishing to sign-up may do so at the Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) office located at 700 Dundee in Matador. Those interested or who may like more information concerning CRP may contact the Soil Conservation Service office located in the basement of the Motley County Courthouse, phone 347-2263, the County Agent Ray Minkley at 347-2733 also in the courthouse, or the ASCS office at 700 Dundee, phone 347-2671.

The primary purpose of the Conservation Reserve Program is to assist producers to retire highly erodible cropland. Cropland retired in this program will be converted to permanent vegetative cover for immediate and future use as wildlife land, rangeland, and pastureland.

To assist the landuser, cost share is provided for approved practices required under the Conservation Reserve Program. The ASCS will provide cost share for the establishment of permanent grass, trees, and plantings to improve and increase wildlife habitat. The producer also receives an annual rental payment on land in CRP. Rental payments are limited to \$50,000.00 each fiscal year.

Land entered into CRP is under contract for a 10 year period. While under contract the land may not be hayed, grazed, or seed harvested. However, land may be leased out for hunting and recreation by landusers.

If you are interested in the Conservation Reserve Program and may like more information, contact any of the following agencies: Soil Conservation Service, Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service, or the County Agents Office.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS !!

Kathy's

Flomot

Will Be Closed  
December 24 - January 4  
For The Christmas Holidays

they won't



mix.



Play It Safe With Your Holiday Lighting!

**U**nspect lights before decorating.

Be sure to discard strands of lights with frayed wiring and replace burned out bulbs BEFORE you decorate.

Also, never leave your Christmas tree lights or outdoor decorative lights unattended. Be sure to unplug them when you go to bed or leave the house.

**O**Watch for the U.L. seal of approval.

Only buy lights that have been checked for safety. The Underwriters' Laboratories seal of approval is your guarantee that lights and wiring have been properly safety checked.

**H**ang ornaments away from lights.

Make sure paper ornaments and tinsel do not touch light bulbs. Also, never adjust outdoor or tree lights while they are turned on or connected to a power circuit.

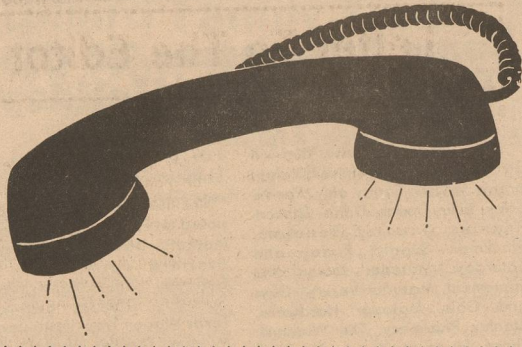
Always use a wooden ladder or a metal one with rubber-tipped legs when installing outdoor lights. Be sure to stand on a dry surface.

**M**ake sure you don't overload circuits.

Avoid overloading electrical wiring by using more than one circuit for your tree lights. Use heavy-duty extension cords to run to other circuits.



Pick Up Your FREE "Holiday Delights" Recipe Book At Your Local WTU Office!



# County Chit-Chat

## Matador News

The L.H. Diricksons visited Mrs. Ollie Ann Pitts of Lovington, N.M., Dec. 12. It was her birthday. She has just recently moved from her Polk St. address and is now residing at the Good Samaritan Center at 1600 West Avenue I. They visited several hours with Mrs. Pitts and as they were leaving she was being ushered into a gaily decorated dining room where everyone who had a birthday in December were having a birthday party. Mrs. Pitts sends her warmest "thank you" to Mrs. Alvin Stearns who sent her a festively decorated tin full of homemade vanilla wafers, chocolate fudge and date loaf candy. She sends greetings to all her friends and wishes for a very happy 1988.

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### BEVERLY DARSEY NEW EMPLOYEE

Summit Savings is announcing their new employee, Beverly Darsey, as of November 30. Beverly is working part time.

## Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

## Roaring Springs News

By Odessa Mullins

**HONORED ON BIRTHDAY**  
Mrs. Wayne (Jimmie) Hunter was honored on her birthday, Friday, Dec. 18 with a party in the home of her daughter, Anita Hunter of Lubbock.

Those attending the celebration was her husband, Wayne and their children, Susan Hunter of Austin, Randy Hunter of Pasadena and his friend, Gary Stephenson of Hobbs, N.M.

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Mrs. James Monk and Mrs. Jeff Sperry were accompanied to Lubbock, Friday by Leslie Ballew of Ladson, South Carolina and Becky Gabbard of Odessa where they attended a pre-Christmas family dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Goldston. Mrs. Monk and Mrs. Sperry visited overnight Friday in Idalou with Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Sperry. Mr. Sperry accompanied them home, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cypert of Lubbock and Jewell Starkey of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Starkey, Sunday. Jewell remained to visit.

The Rev. and Mrs. Toby Irwin, Gregory and Joni of Plainview were luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bond, Sunday. The Rev. Irwin was guest minister at Flomot Baptist Church services.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lee, Josh and

Brandon visited in Plainview with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Holley, Sunday.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shannon, Denise and Nathan, Sunday were Doyle Shannon of Roaring Springs and Mrs. David Walker of Matador.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Cloyd from Sunday until Tuesday of last week were Mr. and Mrs. Norris Cloyd of Tyler and Jason Cloyd of Memphis. Guests in their home, Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Meece of Wichita Falls and Dickie Cloyd of Memphis.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee visited in Plainview, Sunday with daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kerry Roberts and Kellan.

Dr. David Martin and friend, Ed Rodriguez of Denton were houseguests from Friday until Sunday of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin.

Mrs. Ima Nell Francis of Plainview visited during the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Harley Gunn.

Keith Cook, Shae Lynn and Dustin Reed of Lubbock are visiting during the Christmas holidays with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert and uncle, Glen.

Mrs. Wendell Morris visited from Wednesday until Sunday of last week in Plainview with daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Green, Aaron, Annie and Ashley.

Mrs. Tom Yeates accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hughes, Mrs. Victor Crabtree of Spur and Sinclair Hughes of Houston, Friday to the Investiture Ceremony of his nephew, The Honorable Samuel R. Cummings as United States District Judge Northern District of Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Mullins and Eddy spent Thursday night with their mother, Odessa Mullins on their way to Dallas where he will be attending to business Christmas week. They will spend Christmas with her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Goen of Edmonson spent the weekend with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Mullins, Dene and Deana. Kisha returned home with them after visiting her grandparents.

Mrs. J.T. Swim and Miss Lula Swim shopped in Plainview last Thursday.

Mrs. Vera Mitchell accompanied Rev. and Mrs. Donnie Howell to Littlefield where she will be the guest of her daughter and husband Rev. and Mrs. Benny Goss and family. The Howells will visit their son and family and her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. S.A. Swim and their son and wife Mr. and Mrs. James Swim were weekend visitors in the home of their sister and aunt, Miss Lula Swim, where they were joined by other family members for visits. The ladies joined their aunts Miss

Lula Swim and Mrs. J.T. Swim for a Saturday visit with Mrs. Roxie Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Kingery of Corpus Christi arrived Thursday to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Eliza Kingery.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Caffey, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Clara Youngblood shopped in Plainview Sunday afternoon.

Miss Kay Osborn, who is in the service, and has been stationed at Fort McClellan in Alabama, arrived Monday to spend the holidays; she was met in Lubbock by Mrs. Lorine Osborn.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hipp are spending the holidays with their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hipp and family in Lubbock.

Willard A. Lewis Jr. of Waco and his son Tony of Canton, came Sunday for an overnight visit with their mother and grandmother, Mrs. W.A. Lewis.

Mrs. Ann Futrell of Dallas and daughters Tara, Tammy, and Traci were Sunday visitors with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Marshall.

Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell Smith accompanied by her mother, Mrs. M.S. Thacker and Miss Freda Keahey went to Carrollton to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith, Julie and Chad. The children came Friday and will go home with their grandparents.

## Whiteflat News

By Earlyne Jameson

Mr. and Mrs. Adrain Risner and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Reeves of Wheeler were guests, Friday night of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Dixon.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Turner, Heather and Cobey, Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Luckenbach of Comanche.

Art Green of Flomot and Kathryn Martin attended the Christmas program at the First Baptist Church in Matador, Sunday night. They visited Mr. and Mrs. James Meador of Clifton, who are visiting during the Christmas holidays in Matador.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jack Spray, Saturday were Lennie Stan and son, Jonah of Afton.

Mr. and Mrs. H.R. "Skeet" Jameson visited in Wichita Falls, Sunday with son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lance Jameson. Mr. Jameson visited in Plainview, Saturday with his mother, Mrs. Beulah Jameson.

Leslie, Stacie and Kala, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Minkley, visited from Friday until Sunday in Claude with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Doc Minkley.



The Lubbock and Lamesa classing offices December 18 estimated total 1987-crop classings of 2,395,000 running bales.

Wendell Wilbanks, head of the Lubbock office, now estimates 1,775,000 bales, up from his previous guess of 1,650,000. Don Lewallen of the Lamesa office expects a season total of 620,000.

Current receipts and classing totals for both offices are well past the halfway mark, Lubbock at 1,060,000 and Lamesa at 407,000.

Officials of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Lubbock, using the classing office estimates to project 1987 production for the 25 PCG counties, point out that some cotton from PCG counties is classed at Abilene and Altus offices. Also, both area offices class a small amount of cotton from outside PCG territory. The Lubbock office classes cotton

from eastern New Mexico, and Lamesa in recent years began classing cotton from Reeves, Pecos and Upton Counties, none a part of the PCG "family" of counties.

In its projections PCG has compared the two classing office running-bale totals to the official 480-pound production figure for its 25 counties over the past five years. After adjusting classing figures for New Mexico cotton and for Reeves, Pecos and Upton County classings, PCG calculations show 25-county 480-pound bale production over the 1982 through 1986 years at an average 108.8 percent of the running bales classed at Lubbock and Lamesa. The percentages have ranged from 105.4 percent in 1986 to 112.7 percent in 1982.

If the classing office estimates prove accurate, which both Wilbanks and Lewallen concede may or may not be the case, the average five-year percentage figure projects to a 25-county production of 2,605,760 statistical bales. Using the high end of the percentage range the projection comes to 2,699,165, while the low end yields only 2,524,330.

Only the high figure, notes PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson, comes close to the most common 2.7 million bale estimate, and casts even greater doubt about some estimates as high as 2.9 million.

"Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord: and the fruit of the womb is his reward. As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth.

Psa. 127: 3, 4

Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. For God will bring every deed into judgement, including every hidden thing, whether it is good or evil.

Ecc. 12:13-14



**Merry Christmas**

IT SAYS, "TOY NOT INCLUDED!"

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FRESH SANTA

**J.P. Doodles**

**You Can't Be Recycled**

**Buckle Up**

A reminder from this newspaper and the Troopers of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

**Dorothy's**

**Annual Winter Sale**

Starts Monday, December 28  
9:30 A.M.

A Whole Store Full Of Merchandise To Choose From

Lots And Lots Of Good Buys

Sale Prices You Have To See To Believe  
Excellent Selection To Choose From

Ladies Don't Miss These Great Buys On Our Big Sale Of The Year

Save Up To 50%

Return With Us To The Good Ole Days

1511 W. 5th Street  
Plainview, Texas



LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa,

My name is Bradley Paschal. I am 2 years old. I have been a good boy. Please bring me a Power Workshop, a Mickey Mouse Phone, a Tape Player with a Microphone and a Guitar.

I will leave cookies and milk for you.

Love, Bradley \*\*\*\*\*



Barbara,

Only John M. Russell (Commissioner Prec. No. 1) and Bill Jameson (City of Matador Employee) knows the DEAL on gravel from James Ed Russell place.

Kathryn and James Ed Russell \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Editor:

My name is Anita Boulet. During the month of August I was involved in a horrible accident. A drunk driver crossed the center line and hit the car I was driving head-on. Although neither I nor the drunk driver were seriously injured, the two passengers in my car were killed.

Please help me in getting these drunkards off the roads. Hopefully, you will print the poem I have enclosed and maybe someone will realize how dangerous it is to drive drunk and will change his bad habits.

I can't bring my friends back, but I will do everything possible to help others keep their friends alive. No matter how carefully the sober person is driving he is the one who is in real danger. Would you please print statistics, and articles on drunk driving? The holidays are here and many will be driving and drinking during these festive times. Who are they going to kill? Themselves? You? Your friends or children? You can make a real difference, even save lives, by printing more on drinking and driving. Don't think that it will never happen to you, it may.

Thank you from the bottom of my shattered heart. You will never know how much your help will mean to me.

Sincerely, Anita F. Boulet \*\*\*\*\*

IT WILL NEVER HAPPEN TO ME

It will never happen to me Is what we all say But my life was changed On that horrid day.

I had seen it coming There was nothing I could do. Please forgive me, my friends, I will always love you.

It happened so fast And now they are dead. I can't even remember The last words said.

So much pain Is being kept inside. It is because of you That my friends died.

Why were you driving drunk On that certain day? Why couldn't you have been going The other way?

So many scenarios Being played in my head-- It is too late to turn back; They are already dead.

You may hurt But not as much as others. What about their parents Their sisters and brothers?

So before you turn the ignition Sit for a while and think. Is it worth the pain and risk To drive after you drink?

Anita F. Boulet

Dear Santa, I have been a good girl. For Christmas, I want an Alphie II computer. Also, I would like to have a puppy and one of your reindeer. Hope you have a nice holiday! Lots of love, Sherri Rae Thomas \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I want a Jam box and a bobby and a big car and a gloverbug and I want some toys. That's all. From, Laura Sanchez Tina To Santa \*\*\*\*\*

Ho Ho Ho, Merry Christmas To all. \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I want a jam box and a basketball and a ten speed. Love, Crystal Christopher \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I think I will have a good time, but lets get to what I want. Well, I want a new tool box and a good Christmas and the last toy is a Labrador. From, Steve \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I have been good and helped my Mom. Please bring me a hula hoop, teggoe, and a bike. Merry Christmas. From, Jill \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I want a plane and a car and a jam box and a bike and that is enough. Have the elves been good for you. Please bring a car for Dad. Bring a van for Mom. From, Michael Johannes \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I have been good. Please bring me a little puppy and a little yellow kitten and a glow worm sleeping bag and the bottom of the glow worms glow in the dark. And please bring my Mom, Dad and sister what they want. Thank you. From, Tanya \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa Claus, I have been good. I like you very much. I love you. I want a new born doll. And I want a carriage. I want some books. From, Rebekah \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I want tan speed for Christmas. I want a jam box for Christmas. I want a puppy for Christmas. I been good for ever for Christmas. I want a pet bird for Christmas. I Love you very mech. From, Louann Taylor \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I want a hula hoop. I have been good. I really want something for my Mom and Dad. Please give my Mom earrings, for my dad a watch. Love, Margaret \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I want a basketball and a duster and a 22 gun. I have been nice this month. I want a bunch more stuff but that is enough for this month. I wish you would bring some stuff to my Dad and Mom and sister. Your friend, Cobey Turner \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I have been good. Please bring me a BB gun and a water roket. I Love you. You are very nice. I want a Scotie. Love, Brady \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I have been good. So bring me these toys. I want a jam box, casio, Barbie parlor, and clown. From, Monica \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I have been good. Please bring me a jam box, and a ten speed. My Dad has been good and he wants a pick up. From, Stacie \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I have been good. I want a football. I want walkie-talkies. From, Michael C. \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I have been good. Please bring me those toys. I would like a gun, and a walkie talkies and a bat. To Santa, From Kasey \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I have been good. I would like a jam box and a bike and doll called real baby. From Rebecca P.S. Love Rebecca \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I have been good. I want a football suit with Pades and also I want a ten seed and my Dad wants some more tools. I wish I could ride with you. From, Scott \*\*\*\*\*

From Ryan To: Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I want a Football suit and a Mask truck and some Legos. I have been good. And you no the other one. And mom want a ring. And dad wants a pick-up. And I want both of them for Mom and Dad. \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa Claus, I want a ten speed and for George a new sale boat. For mom a fur coat and for dad some boots and a sweater. Love, Gina \*\*\*\*\*

Stacie The Elves Make a List B Bo Toy Color G O Olive Ball black I Y Yukio Otte Orange R Yo Yo Orange L \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, I want a new wagon and a bike and a beebee gun. From, Dusty To Santa \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, My name is T.J. I am 4 years old and I live in Roaring Springs. My mom is helping me with this letter, because I can't write yet. I have been pretty good this year, most of the time.

For Christmas I would like a puppy, in a box, with a ribbon around it and a My Buddy doll and a Roping rope. I will leave cookies and milk for you. Love, T.J. \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, My name is Shae Rose. I am 2 1/2 years old, so my Mom has to help me with this letter. I have been very good this year. For Christmas I would like to have a Baby Talk doll and a baby swing and a kitchen center. Thank you Santa. Love, Shae \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa, My name is Sean Rose. I am 5 years old. I am in Kindergarten. I have been pretty good this year. I would like a Turbo Glow In The Dark Train Set and a Ghost Busters Gun. Please bring my sister and my Mom and Dad something and my cousins Jeremy, Bradley, Quinten and Stachia. Thank you. I will leave cookies and milk for you. Tell Rudolph hi. Love, Sean \*\*\*\*\*

Attorney General's Child-Support Program Needs Volunteers

By Attorney General Jim Mattox

It is a sad tragedy that so many of our children live in poverty because their neglectful, non-custodial parents refuse to make child support payments.

It is an injustice and a national disgrace that only one-quarter of the children who are owed child support receive financial help from their non-custodial parents.

The cost of such irresponsibility is not only to the children who are forced to live impoverished, disadvantaged lives, but also to taxpayers who have to support many of these families through welfare payments.

We, as a society, must put pressure on those who fail to pay child support. For four years, I have talked about the dire need for a change in public attitude about the problem because I believe that community awareness is the first step toward a solution.

Public awareness must now be followed by public action. We have begun a volunteer program for our Child Support Enforcement Offices across the state. We are seeking people who recognize the problem and who would like to contribute some of their time to the needy children of Texas.

Our volunteers help with routine office matters, which frees state investigators and attorneys to push for faster resolution of cases.

My office currently has 320,000 pending child support cases, 80 percent more than when we took over the program in late 1983, and enough staff to handle only 60,000 of those cases at any one time.

DPS Urges Extra Caution For Holiday Season Traveling

The Christmas season is upon us again, and with Christmas falling on a Friday, Major V.J. Cawthon, Regional Commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety, said, "The long Christmas weekend will generate additional traffic on our Texas highways. To help combat this situation, Department of Public Safety Troopers will be out in force, watching for traffic violators, especially drunk driver and speeders, which are the two major causes of traffic fatalities. Along with trying to make your Christmas holiday safe, DPS Troopers will be out on the roadways to assist motorist with any problems they may have."

Major Cawthon said that Texas motorists can also help this Christmas holiday by insuring that if you have to travel, get plenty of rest before you start the trip. Once on the roadway, you need to drive

defensively, always watching out for the other driver's mistakes.

He added, "One of your best defenses against the other driver is to insure that you and all of your passengers are wearing safety belts. Also, remember that drinking and driving leads to tragedy, so this Christmas holiday, if you are going to drink, please don't drive."

As well as taking precautions while traveling, you need to take steps to protect your valuables. Another tragedy that could ruin your Christmas holiday is burglary. Take steps to insure this doesn't happen to you. Don't advertise what you have, and be sure that your home is properly secured.

Major Cawthon said, "Taking simple precautions can make the difference between a happy holiday and an unpleasant memory."

Brazos Electric To Reduce Rates

Today the Public Utility Commission approved an interim order granting Brazos Electric Power Cooperative a \$10 million temporary rate reduction. Final approval will be considered by the Commission Jan. 20, 1988.

Brazos' wholesale customers will begin receiving the benefits of this reduction with bills for December usage. Consumers generally should see a reduction of about \$7.50 for each 1000 kilowatt hours used during the four-month period. The decreased rates will be in effect through March 1988.

"Passing on savings to our consumers is an important part of the mission of electric cooperatives," stated Richard E. McCaskill, executive vice president and

general manager of Brazos. "In fact, we enjoy doing it," he said. In 1977, the cooperative returned more than \$1 million to its consumers through a temporary rate reduction.

The Cooperative requested the reduction in a petition filed Nov. 17. Earlier, it filed a petition to lower its fixed fuel factor. Interim approval of that request is giving consumers an additional reduction of about \$2.80 for every 1000 kilowatt hours used.

With headquarters in Waco, Brazos Electric Power provides wholesale power to 20 member distribution cooperatives and 7 municipal customers. These wholesale customers serve 229,000 consumers in 66 counties of Texas.

Research saves lives.

WERE FIGHTING FOR YOUR LIFE

American Heart Association



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Sincerely, Mrs. Wm. M. Massie

FOR LAST MINUTE BARGAINS



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MATADOR HARDWARE







CLASSIC, CHERRY OR DIET  
**Coca Cola**  
**88¢**  
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... To renew our faith,  
spirit and love of all  
living things and to  
continue to observe  
His special message.  
We share with all  
our sincere wishes  
for a heartfelt  
holiday season.

The following PAGES of this SPECIAL SECTION of  
the paper ARE CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO YOU, THE  
READER of the MOTLEY COUNTY TRIBUNE.  
PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO READ EACH AND EVERY ONE  
of these YULETIDE GREETINGS FROM AREA  
MERCHANTS AND FRIENDS.

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## ★ Seasons Greetings

Have a  
stockingful of  
fun this  
Christmas!  
Thank you for  
your  
patronage.



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## Merry Merry Christmas

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## Peace on Earth



In the spirit of brother-  
hood and goodwill, we wish  
you a holy, happy holiday.

**First United  
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Roaring Springs



## Merry Christmas

Have a bright and  
beautiful Christmas.  
Many thanks for  
your kind support.

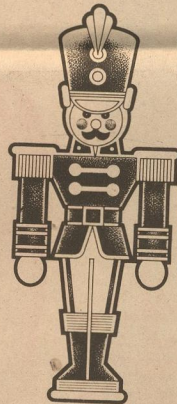
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# Merry Christmas

## TRIBUTE TO THE FARM FAMILY

You are a family of strength and dignity, worthy of honor and respect. Your work is hard, but honest labor; your days are long, but rich and full. You possess the dignity of those who know their jobs and do them well, the stability of those who have learned to accept what life brings and be thankful for it. You're a family of courage, the same courage of your pioneer ancestors who knew what it was to overcome hardship, uncertainty and disappointment... You wear your faith in God and the good earth for all humanity to see... You're a family of principle, who recognize truth and live by it; who seek fairness in all things and for all people. You have seen the best a day can offer and prize each scene; the glory of a sunrise, the power of a thunderstorm, the promise of a rainbow, and the splendor of a sunset... these things you hold within your hearts as lifetime gifts. You are fortunate to see your work take fruit and ripen, your children grow tall and happy, your land mature and flourish through the years. You are generous, for surely what you give to life is ever more than you take from it. You have the right to pride, for you have earned it through your toil, you have the gift of wisdom, for you have seen firsthand God's laws for humanity and nature in action, and you have the rare and unequalled peace of being one with the land you walk upon, knowing that a part of you grows free and lives forever...

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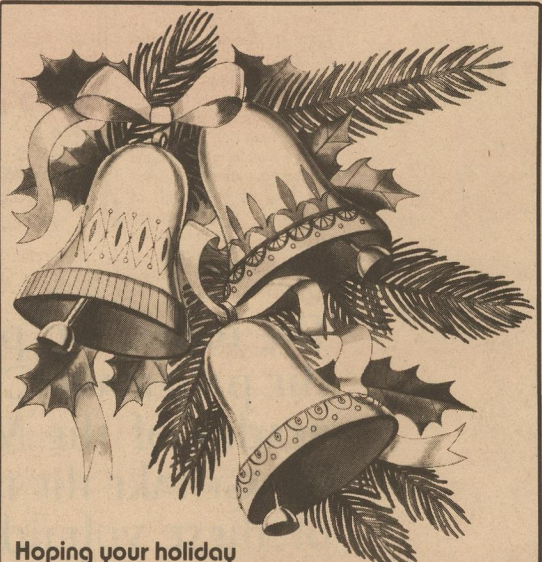
## O Tannenbaum

In the spirit of  
friendship, may the  
warmth and joy of  
Christmas stay  
close to your hearts.

**Davis Oil**

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Roaring Springs



Hoping your holiday  
be abundant in all  
good things!

## Pizza Gold

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## O Most Holy Child

As we rejoice in the miracle of His birth, may you be blessed with the glories of the season.

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Matador



## Christ is Born

Hark; the harold angels sing, glory to the newborn king!

PENNIE'S  
COUNTRY BOUQUET



## Legends of Christmas

What wonderful legends the season of Christmas inspires! Who has not enjoyed hearing the story of how the animals were given the gift of speech on that very first Christmas?

Another legend concerns an ox who shared the stable with the Infant Jesus. According to the legend, the ox noticed the halos appearing above the heads of Joseph, Mary and Jesus on that holy night. So radiant was the atmosphere around the Holy Family that the ox felt that even the water in his trough had been touched by the holy presences, and out of humility the creature would not drink from it. Instead, he drank from some muddy water on the ground — and found it to be deliciously sweet!

Another legend tells of Joseph of Arimathea. (It was in Joseph's tomb that the body of Jesus was laid to rest, Scripture tells us.) The legend says that this same Joseph eventually traveled to England, where in his wanderings, he came to rest one day at Glastonbury. He drove his staff into the ground, where it grew to become a thorn tree. That is why the thorn tree blooms at Christmas, says the legend.

Another legend is connected with the yule log. If you want good luck, says the story, the log must not be allowed to burn out during the Christmas season; a part of it must be saved to start the fire next year. The ashes of the yule log are supposed to make land fertile, and in some countries the tradition is to scatter these ashes over the land on New Year's Day.

Santa's habit of coming down the chimney originates with a Norse legend. According to the Norsemen, at the time of the winter solstice, the goddess

Hertha would appear at each fireplace, bringing happiness and good fortune. Sometimes the good fortune arrived in the form of a bewhiskered old man who came down the chimney to meet her.

Another legend, attributed to the English, says the number of mince pies you taste at Christmas will indicate the number of happy months you'll have during the year.

A beautiful legend tells of the Christmas rose. This story is about a poor little girl, who stood weeping outside the stable on Christmas night because she had no gift for the Infant Jesus. One of the angels noticed the little girl and brushed the earth where her tears had fallen, with a wing.

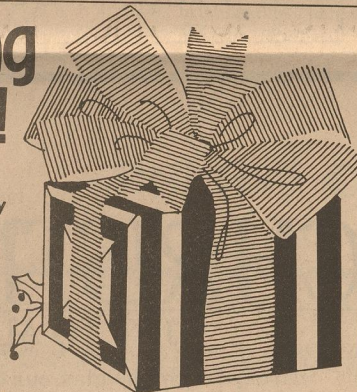


To the child's wonder, a plant at her feet began to bud and then bloom into lovely, white flowers. The little girl quickly picked the flowers and placed them at the Infant's feet. As the blossoms touched the feet of the Christ Child, the petals turned pink, and thus was born the Christmas rose.

Yet another legend explains how the lamb got its woolly coat. According to the story, a little lamb, gazing upon the Infant Jesus, thought that the Babe might be cold and so nestled next to Jesus, hoping to provide some warmth. As the Infant touched the lamb, its coat was transformed into soft, curly wool.

## Making Merry!

It's a pleasure to extend our holiday sentiments of appreciation to all of you who've been so kind.



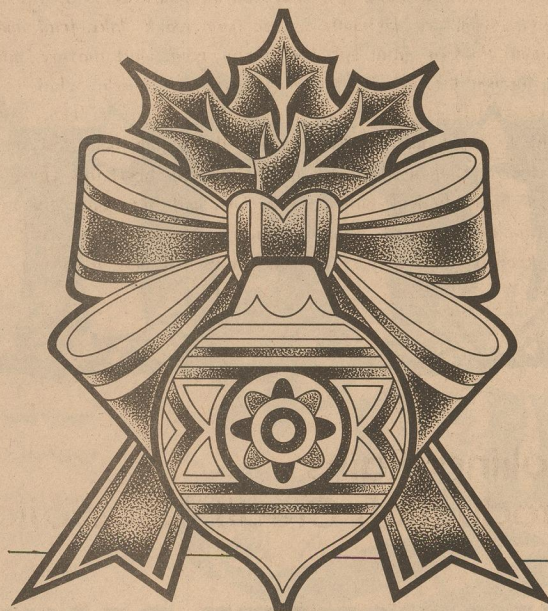
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## O Holy Child

Sincere Christmas thoughts to all, along with our thanks for your continued good faith.

THE WINDMILL



With deepest appreciation for your friendship and good will in the past, thanks and Merry Christmas.

Motley County Gin



*Gloria!*

We join with happy holiday voices to sing out our deepest wish... peace, harmony and joy at Christmas and always.

CLARENCE & GUSSIE



**Giesecke Butane**



**Christmas Cheer**

Good times, good friends, good cheer... We hope that you'll experience them all this Christmas and throughout the coming year.

**PAY-N-SAVE GROCERY**



**Signs of Christmas**

Wishing you a holiday filled with peace and happiness. Many thanks for your kind patronage.

**PADUCAH DELINTING**

**CHRISTMAS**

JOY TO ALL

On deposit this holiday, our thoughts of thanks to you for your patronage this past year. We wish all our customers great dividends in joy, compounded with success throughout the coming year!



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**Christmas' favorite author**

Of all authors, perhaps no other is as closely associated with Christmas as Charles Dickens.

His classic "A Christmas Carol" has been read and reread, and translated into stage, motion picture and television productions.

But, not many are aware that Dickens wrote other Christmas tales. They were fairy tales with a moral, published during the Christmas season in the 1840s.

According to researchers, Christmas was very special to Dickens. He saw it as a time when people were more giving and more open to change.

This kind of change was classically described in "A Christmas Carol" when the miserly Ebenezer Scrooge learns to celebrate Christmas with warmth and generosity.

One of the other Christmas books, "The Haunted Man" is written in the same vein. It tells of a chemist who had endured much suffering and betrayal in his youth. As he sits gazing into the fireplace on Christmas Eve, a spirit grants the unhappy man forgetfulness from the sad past. But, the chemist discovers that his happy memories are wiped out with the unhappy memories, as well. He realizes that he does not want to forget his past, after all.

Dickens was editor of a magazine for 17 years. Each year, he would prepare a Christmas issue, filled with songs and stories of the season. In addition to the five Christmas books he wrote, Dickens also published two volumes of Christmas stories.

Certainly it would appear that Dickens, like the reformed Scrooge, "knew how to keep Christmas well, if any man alive possessed that knowledge."

**Deck The Halls!**

Happiness is... sharing a special holiday with good friends like you.

**STAFFORD FARM STORE**

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**Have a Glittering Holiday**

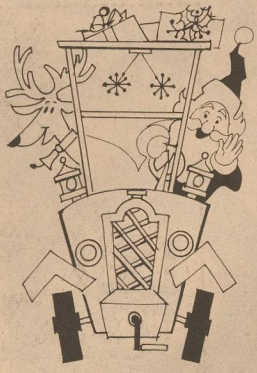
May the gladness and the glory of this magical time abide with you throughout the coming year.



**THACKER JEWELRY**

## Yuletide Greetings

To know and serve you this past year was a true delight. Thanks and Merry Christmas!



Tommy's Garage

## Glad Tidings

Now that the holidays are here, it is our joy to say a special "thanks" to all those we hold dear. Your friendship has made us proud.

WEST TEXAS GIN



## O holy night

May God bless you and keep you in the circle of His precious love now and forever. Have a wonderful Christmas season.

Cooper Oil Company

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## The Christmas spirit

Every year, you are sure to hear someone say, "I just can't seem to get the Christmas spirit!"

Just what is the Christmas spirit? Here is what some writers have to say about it.

Back in 1897, a famed editorial used the figure of Santa Claus to exemplify the Christmas spirit. "Yes, Virginia," wrote Francis P. Church, editor of the *New York Sun*, "there is a Santa Claus... He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give your life its highest beauty and joy."

Charles Dickens captured the spirit of Christmas in his description of Ebenezer Scrooge's overnight change from an unhappy miser to a generous employer: "'A merry Christmas, Bob!' said Scrooge with an earnestness that could not be mistaken, as he clapped him on the back. 'A merrier Christmas, Bob, my good fellow, than I have given you for many a year. I'll raise your salary, and endeavour to assist your struggling family, and we will discuss your affairs

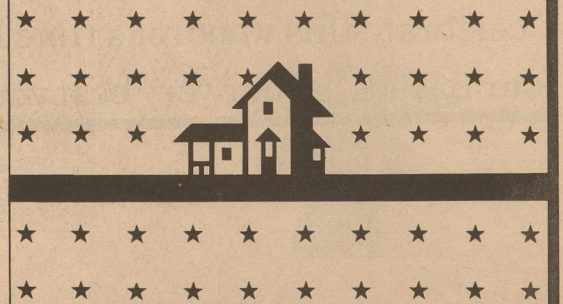
this very afternoon, over a Christmas bowl of smoking bishop, Bob!... Scrooge was better than his word. He did it all, and infinitely more; and to Tiny Tim, who did not die, he was a second father.

He became as good a friend, as good a master and as good a man, as the good old city knew or any other good old city, town or borough, in the good old world."

This transformation of Scrooge's is a dramatic example of how Christmas brings joy to those who are open to its message.

The youngsters caroling for senior citizens at a convalescent home... the shopper who takes time to wish the harried clerk "Merry Christmas"... the church members collecting food and clothing to take to less fortunate neighbors... the co-worker who invites a lonely bachelor to share a family dinner... all these have experienced the joy of reaching out to others that is the core of the Christmas experience, paralleling the love of the Father reaching out to a sinful world through His beloved Son.

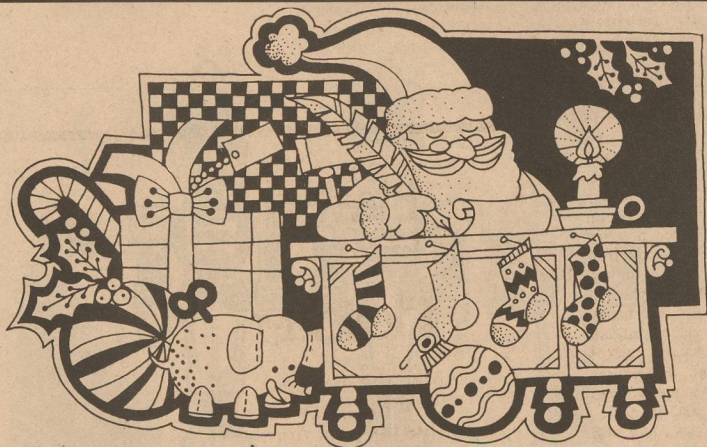
## HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS



Wishing you the joy of family, friends and the love of Christmastide. Thanks for your support.

Red Ball Gin

Roaring Springs



Good times, good friends, good cheer... may all things that mean 'happy holidays' be yours. Thanks and best wishes for the coming year.

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JOE & BILLIE DEAN  
SEVEN & ALVIN ALEXANDER, DAVID & DANIEL  
CHIP & ELLEN SMITH, JEREMY, SCOTT & RACHAEL  
PAT SMITH



## Christmas Quotes

A Christmas gambol oft could cheer  
A poor man's heart through half the year.  
— Sir Walter Scott

Come, bring with a noise,  
My merry, merry boys  
The Christmas log to the firing.

While my good dame,  
she bids ye all be free,  
And drink to your heart's desiring.  
— Robert Herrick



On Christmas day, and every day,  
our very best to all our friends.

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**Matador Fire  
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**PEACE**

Christmas joy illuminates the world as the spirit of brotherly love and goodwill abounds. May all mankind rekindle the special warmth that brings people together, and join in friendship to celebrate this wondrous time in harmony. To all our friends, go our very best wishes of the season.



**A Wish  
for All**

...to renew our faith,  
spirit and love of all  
living things and to  
continue to observe  
His special message.

**First United  
Methodist  
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May the warmth of  
Christmas embrace  
you. Many thanks.

**Pizza Box**

**Warm  
Holiday  
Feelings**

Wishing you lots of joy  
this Christmas, trimmed  
with love and peace.

**The  
Lockett  
Family**

Carter, Betty, Carlene & Bill



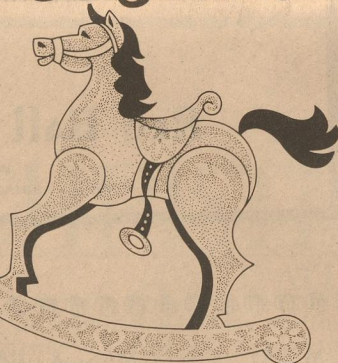
**Christmas  
is Here!**

Our thanks go out to  
all for your friendly  
support and trust.

*Roaring Springs  
Jam Factory*

**Love to All!**

May all the  
warmth and  
wonder of  
Christmas  
embrace you  
and yours.



**Matador  
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**First  
Christmas  
Carol**

The first Christmas carol composed in America was written in the Huron Indian language, by a Frenchman.

The lyrics were written in 1641 by a native of France, Father Jean de Brebfeuf, for his Christian converts. He set the words to a popular French tune, "Une Jeune Pucele."

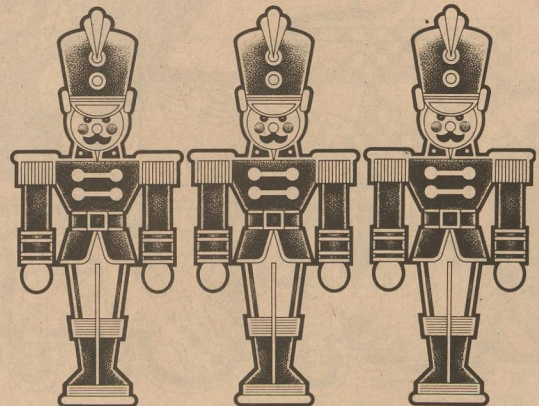
In his writing, the French priest described the Hurons' reverence for Christmas: "They built a small chapel of cedar and fir branches in honor of the Infant Jesus... Even those who were at a distance of more than two days' journey met at a given place to sing hymns in honor of the newborn Child."

After the Hurons were defeated by the Iroquois, they resettled near Quebec, preserving the Christmas carol among their traditions.



**We Wish You a  
Merry Christmas!**

We welcome in this holiday season with special appreciation to our faithful patrons. Wishing all the blessings to everyone. May the joy of Christmas remain with you throughout the year.



**Caprock Gin**

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**Happy, Healthy  
Holiday!**

We share with all our  
sincere wishes  
for a heartfelt  
holiday season.

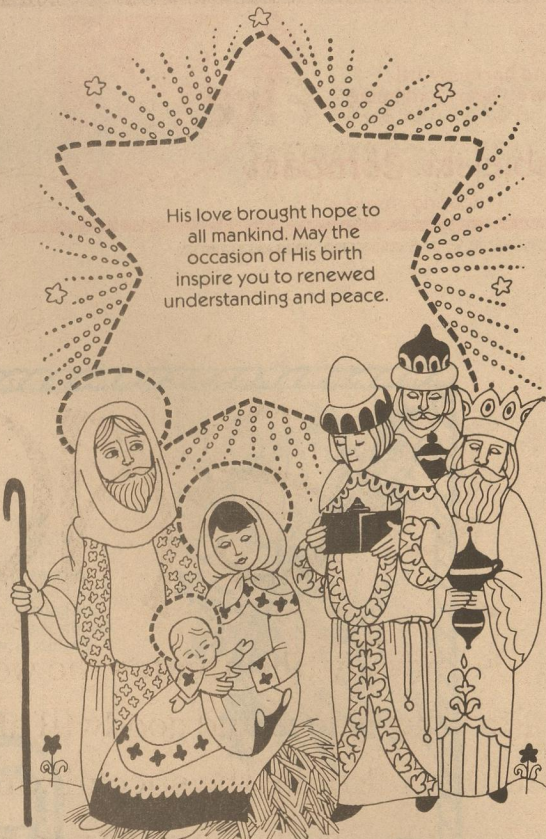
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**HIGGINBOTHAM  
BARTLETT**



**Deck the halls**

with boughs of holly!  
Our hopes are with you for  
a splendid holiday. Thanks,  
everyone for your loyal support.



His love brought hope to  
all mankind. May the  
occasion of His birth  
inspire you to renewed  
understanding and peace.

**Assembly of God Church**

Roaring Springs

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The spirit of  
peace abounds as  
we wish you all  
the merriest of  
holiday seasons.

**Brannon Butane**

Roaring Springs



Old fashioned  
greetings for a fun and  
festive season. Thank  
you one and all!

**Total Control**

Matador



A HEARTFELT wish FOR A  
MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS,  
AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO  
MY FRIENDS AND ENEMIES.  
AND A SPECIAL GREETING TO  
MARION BURT.

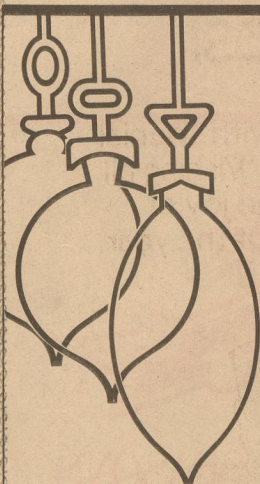
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**MERRY  
CHRISTMAS!**

Joyous tidings,  
one and all.

**Bill & Judine  
McCAGHREN**



Hope your holiday  
shapes up to be  
beautiful in every  
way! Thank you for  
your business.

**Pipkin  
Insurance**



With thoughts of thanks for your  
very kind support, go our hopes  
for a very special holiday,  
abundant in love and good cheer.

**Summit Savings**



**We Three Kings  
of Orient Are...**

May peace, love and happiness  
be your gifts at Christmas and  
throughout the coming year.  
Thank you for your patronage.

**DICKENS ELECTRIC**

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May  
joy  
and harmony fill  
every heart and home.



**Zabielski Company**  
Roaring Springs

We're wishing you a generous serving of good health, good cheer and happy times to last the year through! Thanks, friends.

**Texas Wagon Train Restaurant & Museum**  
Roaring Springs

# Magic Night

May all the little pleasures that embrace the holidays be yours the whole year through. One of our nicest pleasures throughout the year is doing business with you. Merry Christmas, friends.

**Thacker Supply**  
Roaring Springs

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

We hope you have a heavenly Christmas. A sincere thank you to all our wonderful friends and customers.



**Don's Conoco & Texas T's & T's**

**Merry Christmas**



Joyous wishes to you and yours, as we express our appreciation for your very special friendship.

**Allsup's**  
Barbara & Bill Jameson



Photo by Barbara Jameson

**Wishing You  
All The BEAUTY  
Of God's World**

*Merry Christmas*

*Motley County Tribune*



With all good thoughts for a holiday of sheer joy and unbounding love. To all our customers we say "Thank You"!

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