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# "Oh, Christmas Tree"

Taken From Santa Anna News Files.

BY M. ROBERT BEASLEY Whether a person is seven or 70 — with the possible exception of a Scrooge — everyone experiences a feeling of exhilaration and joy at the sight of a Christmas tree. We may drive past vast forests of evergreen trees without the slightest emotion. But the moment one of

those same trees has been transferred from its native surrounding into our homes, it brings with it the permeating air of festivity and gaiety.

To the youngster, the Christmas tree means toys and gifts and the awe-inspiring aura of Santa Claus; to the older people, who have passed beyond the en-

chanted world of Santa, it means "On earth peace, good will towards men." Irrespective of what individual meaning the tree might have, none of us would consider for a moment the thought of spending a Christmas without the traditional tree prominently displayed in our homes.

The origin of this fabulous tree is propably the most dis-puted of all American traditions. Many countries claim the honor of having established this custom, and there are hundreds of legends concering its first ap-

It has been definitely established that the Christmas tree was first introduced to America German people who migrated to the New World. It was also from the Germans that we adopted the custom of decorating the tree with candles and presents for our loved ones.

One ancient legend attributes the entire idea of the Christmas tree to the Germans, by way of Saint Winfrid. According to this sage, the Saint was blessing a huge crowd of converts in a forest, which had once been used by the Druids as their worshipping ground. In the center of this clearing stood a giant

oak tree, used in the pagan Druid worship. The Saint, in an effort to dispel this heathen worship, began chopping at the base of the great tree in the presence

When the tree was partly hewn, a powerful wind passed through the forest, caught the tree and sent it toppling backwards in an ignominious heap. Everything in its path was shattered to splinters — except a slender fir tree, which re-

mained standing, untouched and regal, with its spire point-ing toward the sky. Because of this seeming miracle, Saint Winfrid immediately decreed that the fir tree be known from that day hence as the holy tree, or the Tree of the Christ Child. This, say German historians, was the beginning of the Christmas tree.

German records as far back as 1608 give reference to the tree as a regular feature of the Christmas season. For several hundred years the custom of the tree was confined to the regions along the Rhine, but eventually the tradition filtered

throughout all of Germany.

Martin Luther, according to another legend, is said to have started the custom of the fir

tree for he Christmas season. This story tells us that one Christmas Eve, Martin Luther was describing the beauty of a snow-covered forest under the glittering stars to his wife and family. To illustrae this beauty, he brought a small fir tree into

the nursery, and placed candles

and decorations on its branches.

The tree presented such majestic beauty not only to his immediate family but to the neighbors, that on the following Christmas Eve all the neighbors decorated fir trees in their

homes. And, thus, goes the leg-end, was the tradition of the Christmas tree born. In support of this theory, one

of the most popular of all German engravings of Christmas scenes shows Martin Luther

and his family grouped about a small fir tree set in a nursery. The Scandinavians have a touching myth concering a "ser-

vice tree" which is said to have been born from the blood of two young lovers who were killed by violence on Christmas Eve. At this same spot on the following

Christmas Eve, a beautiful fir tree grew. On certain nights during the Christmas season lights could be seen flaming in its branches, that no wind could extinguish.

The "mysterious lights" of this myth could well be the origin for the brightly-colored lights with which we decorate our 20th-Century tree.

Other authorities give credit for originating the Christmas tree to the ancient Egyptians. At the time of the winter solstice (comparable to our Christmas season) they would bedeck their houses with branches of the date palm — their symbol of perennial life in the renewal of each bounteous year.

At approximately the same time as the Egyptians were decking their homes with date palm branches, the Jews were celebrating their Feast of Chanuskah. In this celebration, lighted candles are a feature. Some writers regard this as a possible origin of the decorated and lighted Christmas tree. History also reveals that the Greeks held a festival at this season known as the "Feast of the Lights;" while the Chinese festival of a corresponding period is called "The Feast of the Lan-

The French have a legend concerning the Christmas tree. According to this saga a gigantic fir tree was discovered in the forest with it branches covered with candles. Some of the candles stood erect, while others were upside down. At the very top of this unusual tree appeared a vision of a child with a sparkling halo.

Unable to understand such an apparition, the people asked

the Pope to explain this extra-ordinary tree. The legend tells us that the Pope decided the tree represented mankind, and the child with the halo was the Saviour. The candles, he interpreted, were meant to indicate

the good and bad human beings. Thenceforth, according to this myth, Christmas time was celebrated by everyone having a replica of this fir tree in their homes. This legend could well account for our practice of placing a figure of an angel at the top of our modern trees.

Other records, however, would indicate that the French borrowed the custom of the Christmas tree from the Germans in 1870. At that time German armies occupied France, and at Christmas time they held their celebration at Notre Dame. The tree idea apparently appealed to the French, and they adopted it into their homes. The French, however, differ slightly, since they usually plant the entire tree, roots and all, in a large

Other authorities trace the tree back to the Roman festivals of Saturnalia. In this ancient rite, pine trees were decorated with images of Bacchus. Since the celebration occurred at the end of the year, it is be-lieved by some that this is a possible origin of the Christmas

Almost all authorities, however, agree that the first Christmas tree adopted by Englishspeaking people was introduced at Windsor Castle in 1844. Following the marriage of Queen Victoria to the German Prince Albert, the decorated tree custom was borrowed from Germany to honor the Prince of Wales, who later became Ed-

While not generally used, the tree was known in England before that period. The memoirs of Greville, dated December 29, 1829, tells us of a Christmas fete given in honor of Henry VIII, where: "three trees, in great pots, were put upon a long table covered with pink linen." It was only with the marriage of Queen Victoria, however, that the Christmas tree became a regular English institution.

So this year as you decorate your Christmas tree, give some thought to the fact that the words, "On earth peace, good will towards men" are not a hollow or empty salutation. Men, women and children in countries all over the world forget their hostilities and petty troubles in the presence of the Christmas tree. The sacred meaning of love and consideration, for which is stands, is a meaning understood by all ages and all languages.

# **Bill Martin Is Selected For Leadership Program**

"Bill" Martin of Santa Anna has been accepted in a challenging new program known as Texas Agricultwrai Lifetime Leadership (TALL).

Martin is among 24 young agricultural leaders in the state chosen for the training, which is being conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. The TALL program will involve a series of in-dept seminars, field trips, and visits with key agricultural operations throughout Texas, as well as a trip to Washington, D. C.

"TALL is designed to teach the best in leadership qualities, so necessary for the future of agriculture in Texas", says Dr. Zerle L. Carponter, director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Similar programs have been highly measurable in other states and have sid in groups of dedicated, well and young leaders, he adds.



nions scheduled over the next 18 months, participants will be exposed to a wide range of lectures, sessinars and visits with key agricultural leaders. They will hear discussions on topics such as improving skills of leadership, financing Texas agriculture is the future in the first series. ture in the future, ways to develop

experiences with others and provide key leadership in the years ahead", Pope says.

Martin attended Texas Tech University and is president of the Central Texas Dairy Herd Improvement Association. He also is a director of Texas Jersey Cattle Club and the Coleman County Farm Bureau and is on the Santa Anna ISD **Board of Trustees.** 

# Methodists To Hold Christmas Eve

The First United Methodist Church will have family communion time from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday,

Orishmes Sive. Communion will be served to families or individuals as they come and go during the two

hours. Everyone in the community is invited to participate in this very

fal experience. Anyone mining to participate and is analyte to came to the about may center flow. Goods Davison at \$45,007 or

# **County Faces Increased Costs**

Coleman County Commissioners are faced with increases in January on insurance preumiums and the cost of the county jail operations.

The insurance company currently covering health costs for county employees and their families has announced sizable rate increases. County Clerk Glenn Thomas reported at last week's meeting of the commissioner's court that he had received 3 proposals which are lower than the increases proposed by the present carrier, but still higher than current rates.

The commissioners attempted to compare the proposals, but the discussion was tabled untill specific quotes could be clarified.

County Judge, W.W. "Pete" Skelton read a letter from the Texas Association of Counties which states that rates for Worker's Compensation insurance will go up on January I by an everage of 10 percent.

The County Juli was impected recently and for the eight straight year is certified as camplying with state standards. Inspector Maurice G. Wood acted in his report namener, that at been one full time

The commissioners agreed to do so. Precinct 4 Commissioner, Max Horne, requested and received emergency approval to purchase a used Gallion 450E road maintainer to replace the one wrecked in a railroad crossing accident. The approved unit has 1400 hours on it and

is to cost \$39, 500 delivered. Shirley Sansun, County Auditor, presented for approval invoices totaling approximately \$60,000. In that total are payments for costs of the first indigent medical care given See County, page 2

# Letters To Appear Incide

Inside this edition of the Santa Anna news you will find letters to Santa Claus from local youngsters. Latters to Septe are not edited, but printed just as they are for your reading

tion to the indice in the office

### Presbyterian Church **Most Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**

The annual Christmas Eve Ccandlelight service of worship and praise will be held at 6:00 p.m. December 24 at the Presbyterian Church. Special singing and instrumental music will be a pert of the service. The Christmas message will be brought by Jasper McClellan, pastor.

The highlight of the service is when all lights are extinguished except one candle. This candle symbolizes Jesus the Christ as the Light of the world. Each person will have his candle lighted and in turn light the candle of another. This symbolizes we are to be witnesses for Christ, by passing on to others that which we have been given.

All persons in the community who do not have other committments are izwited to be a participant in this mouningful worship coparience.

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The City Hall will be closed on Christenes live and Christmas Day

**Thoughts From Our Pastors** 

"We have made idols of men, movements, ministries and denominations.

The traditions of men have been exalted above the principles of God." Even

at this joyful time of the year many people have lost their joy. They have

been detracted from the real meaning of Christmas. We must not let the

world's forces, satan and the power of darkness to ever silence the gospel of

Jesus Christ. Now is the time to take that gospel to the world. We must stand

today and let ourselves be counted as soldiers of the king, not giving in to the

world and practicing unkindness; but we must ascend to Mt. Carmel and cry

out to all Christians "How long halt ye between two opinions. If the Lord be

God, follow Him, and let the true God answer by the fire" (1 Kings 18:21).

Sometimes our dreams and visions are idols and they must be thrown

down or God will tear them down. "Unless God builds the house, they that

labor, labor in vain..." God is calling us to repentance, to force our eyes upon

the Lord and catch a glimpse of Gods' heavenly vision, not our earthly vi-

sions, ambitions, desires, and dreams. After all God said through James in

Chapter 3 that if we have selfish ambitions this did not come from above but

At this Christmas season I have committed myself anew and afresh to take

the gospel to the ends of the earth. I can say to you that by the grace of God I

will not be distracted, discouraged, deceived or defeated, and that to God

will I give all the glory for what He is doing. I call to you to join with us to

make this community a better place in which to live as we brighten the lives

#### FUNERALS

#### Woldon Davis

Weldon Davis, 68, well known Coleman banker and rancher, died at his residence on Wednesday, December 16, 1987, at 9 a.m. His services were Friday. December 18 at 2:30 p.m. in First United Methodist Church of Coleman with Rev. Loyd Hagemeir officiating.

Interment was in the Coleman City Cemetery under the direction of Henderson Funeral Home of Coleman.

He was born August 22, 1919 in Coleman to the late Wes and Willie Bryant Davis. He graduated from Mozelle High School in 1939. On July 3, 1949, he married Willene Blanton in Kerrville. He was a lifetime resident of Coleman County and member of the First United Methodist Church. Mr. Davis was a U.S. Army veteran of WW II. He was an officer and advisory director of the West Texas Rehab. Mr. Davis was a member of the Kiwanis Club. member and past president of the Coleman Rodeo Assocoation, and member of the Texas, American, Concho, West Texas, and Hill Country Hereford Associations.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Willene Davis of Coleman; a daughter, Mrs. Jim (Ann) Guess of Jayton, Tex.; a son Jay Davis of Coleman: five sisters. Alma Wester of Coleman; Willa Faye Pauley of Talpa, Jaunita Mills of Ozona, Wanda McDorman of Abilene and Charlene Mobley of Midland: four brothers, Dee of Coleman, Clinton of Many, Ok., Preston of Coleman, and Tom of San Angelo; and two grandchildren, Haley and Reid Guess. both of Jayton.

Pall bearers were Bruce Brandenberger, Tom Cowley, Duwayne Edington, Mike Edington, Ed

#### **FUNERALS**

Graces, C. M. Huckabee, Ben Scott and Mike Wright.

Honorary pallbearers were Bill Brown, Paul Cannon, Bill Hightower, Lucian Love, Wayne Mc-Clure and Sandy neal.

#### Margaret Herring

Services for Margaret (Maggie) Herring, 79, were held Sunday at 3:00 p.m. at Henderson Funeral Home Chapel in Santa Anna. She died at 3 p.m. Friday, December 18 in Overal-Morris Memorial Hospital in Coleman.

She was born on June 30, 1908 in Stephens County. On December 24, 1924 she married Marcus Herring in Lovington, N.M. A longtime resident of Santa Anna, a graduate of Santa **Anna High School and Tarleton State** University. A housewife, she was a member of the Baptist church.

Survivors include one sister, Pearl Arnold of Santa Anna and numerous neices and nephews.

She was preceeded in death by her parents, W.J. Mills and Carolina Soules; one sister. Sarah Mador in 1980; one brother, Frank Mills in

# Friendship Lungh

The Friendship Club enjoyed a delicious baked ham luncheon, also numerous deserts on Thursday. December 17. The group sang "Happy Birthday" to 4 members and congratulated Ray Owens on being a

There were 23 members present. There will be no meeting for lunch

#### FUNERALS

SAN ANTONIO- Services for Michial Ratliff, 8, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michial Ratliff of San Antonio, formerly of Brownwood, were held Tuesday at the Eagle Nest Fellowship Church in San Antonio with burial in San Antonio.

Michial Ratliff

The boy, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. George Simmons of Brownwood died as the result of a n accidental gunshot wound while hunting Saturday morning at Pearsall with his father and brother.

He was born November 22, 1979 and lived in Brownwood several years before moving to San Antonio.

Other Survivors include a brother. Grayson, of the home; two sisters, Katy and Cassia both of the home; his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Pancake of Pioneer and Mike Ratliff of Nenlo, Ga. The youngster was the nephew of Marcie Holt of Santa Anna.

# New Years Resolutions Anyone?

The Santa Anna News would like to publish your New Years resolution. It may be something in jest or it may be something quite serious. At any rate, we would like to hear from you and plan to print them in the December 31 edition.

You may call us at 348-3545 or send them to Box 399, Santa Anna. Tx. 76878. Join in the fun and get your resolution in now!

We will need your resolution by 4:00 p.m. Monday, December 28.



The Santa Anna Library will be closed December 24 and 25 and January 1.

The staff wishes you a Merry Christmas and urges you to take some time out of your busy holiday schedule for some relaxing reading. Beginning the first of the year the library will observe the following

hours: Monday: 9a.m.-11:30 and 12:30p.m.-5:00

Tuesday: 9 a.m.-12:00 and 1:00 p.m.-5:00 Wednesday: 9 a.m.- 11:30 and 12:30

p.m.-5:00 Thursday: 9 a.m.-12:00 and 1:00 p.m.- 5:00 Friday: 1:00 p.m.- 5:00 Saturday: Closed

### Gircles Meet For Christmas Program

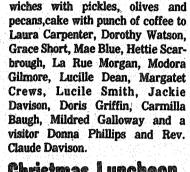
Sunday: Closed

The two circles of The United Methodist Women met at the Methodist Church annex for their Christmas meeting on December

The pastor, Claude Davison, had Christmas music selections which included "Jesus, Jesus, Rest Your Head", "The Birthday of a King", I Wonder As I Wander", and "O Holy Nith".

Mrs. Donna Phillips of Coleman showed slides taken while she was a teacher in Brazil. Her comments made concerning the pictures were most interesting.

During the social hour, the Martha Group served open faced sand-



is earthly, natural and demonic.

of others around us, and share Jesus with them.

By Bill Wadley

**Full Gospel Fellowship** 

#### Christmas Luncheon

The Fideles Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church met Wednesday, December 16. at the Christian Life Center for their annual luncheon and gift exchange. Christmas decorations were used throughout the dining room, and gifts were displayed beneath a decorated tree.

Following the gift exchange, Bettie Henderson led the program and told a Christmas Story from a book by Dale Evans. Rose Bass told highlights of the speech by Art Linkletter which she attended in Brownwood.

Class members signed Christmas cards to be mailed to 18 church members and friends who are in nursing homes or shut-in.

Attending the party were Wilmoth Russell, class president; Bettie Henderson, class teacher; Barbara Kingsbery, associate teacher; and Lora Russell, Edith Stanislaw, Jewel Hosch, Bessie McDonald, Eula McCary, Gladis Barnes, Martha Dunn, Linnie Bartlett, Rose Bass, Delinda Smith, Ollie Pembroke, and Othal Warnock.

Guests present were Frank Mc-Cary, Joe C. Barnes, Mrs. Mae Blue and Pat Odom of Brownwood.

#### County continued

since the county received that responsibility from the legislature.

One item that was going up turned out to be "good news". Construction on the elevator being installed at the courthouse is moving right along. The lift mechanism is now in place and approval was granted to pay the contractor \$9,000 for work that has

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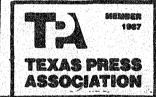
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been done to date. Also reported is the fact that Coleman County has received an Accident Safety Award for the year 1986 from the Texas Association of Counties. The plaque is given counties that have reduced their accident frequency rate.

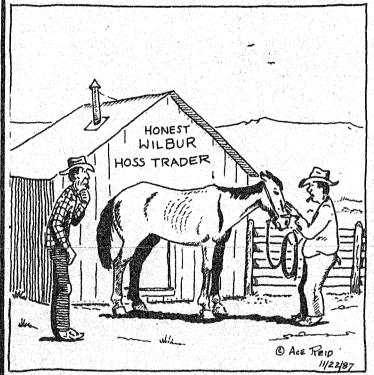




The City of Santa Anna

#### COWPOKES

By Ace Reid



"Ole Hoss would you believe three years ago I turned down \$5000 fer you? Now I just sold you fer 36° a pound to the renderin plant!"

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# nounce the engagement of their daughter, Angela Glover to Michael Warnock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Derriel Warnock of Santa Anna. The wedding will take place January 23 at Chapelwood United Methodist Church in Lake Jackson. Angela is a graduate of Brazoswood High School and is a student at Brazoria College. She is employed by Brookshire Bros. Michael is a graduate of Santa Anna High School and is employed by Coastal Roofing and Sheet Metal of Lake Jackson.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Glover of Clute an-



During the year, in the rush of events, we tend to forget how important our valued friendships are. But now, at this Holiday Season with its feeling of warmth and sincerity, the true meaning of our relationship becomes apparent to us all.

In this spirit, it is a great pleasure to extend to you and yours the sincerest best wishes for a Happy Holiday Season and a New Year of Hope, Promise and Peace.

From all of us at-

# **Letters To Santa Claus**

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I want a Bike for Christmas. and I want four GI Joes. I woulD also like two games.

I have been a good boy. Jason

**Dear Santa** 

how are you doing?

I want a pool table, and a Super Man Skate board, and a Ball for my Brother. Thank you.

Davin

Dear Santa.

I want a train set, a rocking horse, an stuffed animal, and a new Book. Thank you for takeing time for reading this.

We Love you Santa. Jeremy

Dear Santa,

I would like a skate-board, GI Joe's and a bike. **David Coyle** 

Dear Santa. Here is what I would like for

Pow-go-ball, Pow-go-stick, 4X4 truck, play pony, clothes, John Deer Belt Buckle, Drum set. and bring some-thing for Mom and Dad. Zack

Dear Santa, Hi my name is Angela. I want a pogo ball and a fun time BarBie. I Love you Santa Claus and I miss you and Mrs.Claus to and all your Elfs But i wish I could go to the north pole with you But I can't go to the north pole But I can see you! My Christmas tree is Big and tall I have a candy cane Santa Calus I want a Babby heather My Mommy is my favorite mommy.

Angela

Dear Santa, hello, my name is Cristy Estrada I am in the first grade I live in santa anna texas this is what I want for

Christmas I want a pogo ball and I want baby heather doll and play dishes.

Cristy

# Christmas Memories

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The following comes from a reader in Waco who wishes to remain anonymous.

Did you ever live at the foot of a hill which the natives called a mountain. I did.

Those cedars and this mountain were the most joyous part of the young children's dreams.

Fall arrived, school bells rang, and we knew it was time to drop our childhood games and head for the classroom and our books.

We lazily strolled to school each morning, not caring whether it kept or not. Our feelings changed when mid-October arrived and the arrival of the fall catalogues displaying beautiful Christmas toys. The air became crisp, nuts fell, the leaves turned and our thoughts turned to the cedars on the mountain.

We rushed home from school, dropped our books, grabbed a sandwich and headed for the cedars and the mountain. Each afternoon we climbed that mountain in search of the perfect Christmas tree.

The tree that was the dearest to me was the one on the Presbyterian Church stage.

The tree was cut and brought to the church, I think the McClellan boys usually searched the cedar breaks on the mountain until they found just the right tree. They brought it in, set it up and then the girls and boys and women decorated it. They use the same decorations we used at our bornes

The night finally arrived. They were usually cold and crisp, no times a beautiful full m. We gethered around the tree. lárca gave a Christones pros. We same carein and then the ed out. Kach person Stand a bog of fruit o

Begin Here.....Continues Throughout Paper

I want a talking doll and a pink

I would also like an Indian

This year I would like red boots

and also a Bike. Please put them

P.S. I almost forgot I want a pencil

hot wheels cars, AND A Belt Buckle.

I love you I will leave some

cookies and A Dr. pepper for you.

I would like a Pick up truck that

I would Like to have a New pair of

shoes(size 12) and shirts. My size is

I Need All kind of clothing such as

pants(size 5) socks and

underwear(size 2 to 4). I'd like to

Also I've always wanted to have

an electric tooth brush of my own.

There are so many things I need and

would like to have. I cannot name

I would like to have a new bible

and children; s christian tapes too.

Thank you for listening to me.

Josiah Waddle

have a football and semi too.

runs on batteries, and Remote con-

costume, a radio, some lotion, a ball,

bicycle with a basket on front.

some powder and a flashlight.

Dear Santa,

Love

Dear Santa,

under the tree.

Thank you

Dear Santa

trol car.

them all.

Love,

Thank you

Olivia Frausto

Jimmy Bryce

**Mandy Hale** 

Dear Santa.

My name is Larry White. What I want for Chirstmas is a guitar, A Hot Wheels Set, some new cloths and some He Man figers.

> Love. Larry White

P.S. Don't forget my Sisters.

I will Leave some milk and some choclote Chipi cookies next to the

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a keyboard. I wish I could also have a three wheeler. I want a collections of big foot trucks. I want a stuff animal deer with long horns. And a parret. A remote control dump truck. I also want a Jam Box. But best of all I would like to have a real horse so I could ride him.

Brian Vyvjala

Dear Santa, I Would like to have a baby doll and a bike with training wheels and some boots. Some clothes to, and my brother want track and a gun and my sister want a bike with training wheels and baby doll with some clothes to, and some play dishes to play with. And a puppy doy to play with it. I will have you some cookie under the tree, and some hot coca

Dear Santa,

Delisa Nicholas

Dear Santa, I want a big bird and a thruck.

hour. The ladies brought in cookies and hot chocolate. One Christmas a bucket of hot chocolate was placed on a heater. That bucket exploded. Hot chocolate shot all over the ceiling and the stain remained forever on the ceiling of the old church.

The home trees from the mountain, the home trees and the church trees from the cedar breaks, the church socials and even the ceiling stained with hot chocolate is what Christmas is all about, because that is when the natives in a small town gather in a small town to have fun and to celebrate the birth of Baby Jesus.

Now guess what small town was the most fun of all at Christmas time. I'll tell you.

If you don't own an oil well, If you don't own a cow And didn't live in Santa Anna,

Then you didn't live no how! at Christmas. We would like to express our approciation for year prayers, beautiful flowers, cards, visits.

> food and words of encouragement. We would also like to send Seasons Greetings for a happy boliday and good wishes for the year ahead. Jim and Claudia Bethorford





Have you ever thought about the reason behind Christmas? No, it is not Santa Claus, nor is it the beautiful Christmas tree. It isn't even the good times and good fellowship that makes Christmas to mean what it is supposed to mean.

The reason behind Christmas began in the mind of God many ages and also a tropical Barbie. Oh yea Jago. It actually began in Genesis chapter three. You see, the first two chapters of this book of beginnings were chapters of perfection and peace. Man was at peace with his environment. God had given Adam and Eve the job to name all the animals and to tend to the garden. And Adam and Eve were happy in doing this. Man was at peace with himself. Adam and Eve were innocent in the eyes of God. They were at peace with themselves. And most important man was at peace with God. They fellowshipped with God in the cool of the evening as God passed through the garden.

But something happened between chapter two and three. It was what theologians call the Fall of Man. What happened was that sin entered into the scene. Now there have been many reasons given for the fall of man. Some say that it was the prescence of satan or evil that caussed this fellowship to be broken. But the bottom line is man disobeyed God! That is what sin was and still is. Sin is missing the mark, it a disobeying of God's laws.

There had to be a remedy for man's fall. The peace Adam and Eve had known was disturbed. They were afraid of God. When God came looking for them the "blame game" took on a new look. That same game is played today when we are Dear Santa.

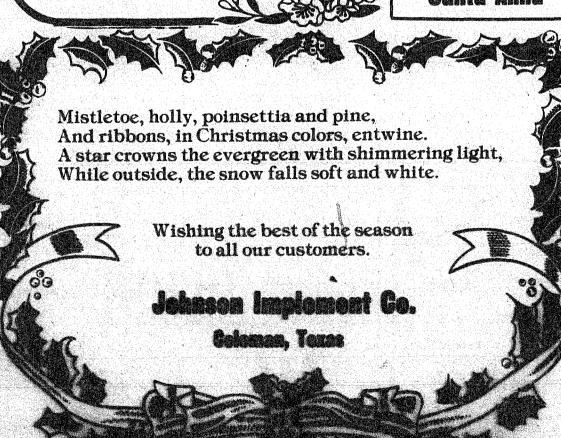
I would like a scoccer ball with designs and a bow and arrow. and a skate board and a train set. I tried to be a good boy. I am going

to leave you some cookies and milk. it will be on the pool table.

**Shane Watson** 



Jo Ann's Kut & Kurl Santa Anna



sometimes caught in a web of sinful acts. Adam and Eve lost their innocence and they knew they were naked. Sin will do that to us also. It will strip us naked before God and bare our souls to Him. The same remedy that took place in the Bible is still working today.

God offered the first sacrifice when He took an innocent unblemished male animal and slew it and with its skin covered Adam and Eve. This was the first distinct promise of redemption given to man by God. It was the what theologians call "Protevangelium". This was the first gospel or good news for man. And man needed some good news about this time. For in the fall of man some things appeared that had not been there before. Guilt appears...Adam and Eve knew they had done something wrong. Fear appears...Adam and Eve knew that God knew that they had done something wrong. And distortion appeared. Sin was easy from this time.

During the eons to follow from then until Jesus actually came, the sacrificial system was in play. This system was an attempt to access one back to God. There were at least four types of sacrifices made. There were the burnt offerings signifying atonment and consecration. There was the meat offereing signifying thanksgiving. Also the peace offering to signify fellowship. And most

of all there was the sin offering signifying reconciliation. All these offerings are found in the Book of Leviticus.

During this time there were many prophets foretelling of the ultimate sacrifice. This one Sacrifice would atone man and get him back into the fellowship with God.

And, my friends, that is the reason for Christmas. The real reason for Christmas is the celebration of Jesus Christ's birthday. This man Jesus was virgin born, lived a victorious sin free life, died a violent death on a Roman cross and rose a Victorious Resurrection to live forever. We could do a study on each of these aspects of His life. Maybe we will in the future.

Again the reason for Christmas is not Santa Claus, nor the beautiful Christmas tree or the good times of families getting together. The real reason for Christmas is to celebrate the birthday of the King. He came once to die. He will come again to rule forever.

Texas!

Put a reason in Christmas.

Buckle Up

In this holy season,

Dear Santa, I would like some high-tops, some

Milissa Fry

I want a pic popple. and a Cabbage patch and a Baby popple and a Moondreamer and a big bear. and my brother wants a Big ball and a Little cat and a talking big bird. And a big dog. And a pound puppy.

How are you DoIng at the North Pole? I am DoIng fine In Texas. I Want a GI Joe Base and men for Christmas. Thank You.

Love, Derek

There are many charming legends associated with the holiday season; one of the best-known is the legend of the Christmas rose.

Legends of The Season

According to the story, a young girl followed the shepherds to the stable in Bethlehem. Learning of the Christ Child's birth, she longed to go in and worship Him, but felt ashamed because she had no gift to offer Him.

Tears of disappointment fell from her eyes and as they touched the ground, a bush sprang up, bearing a beautiful white rose. Joyfully, the young girl picked the rose and took it in to lay before the Infant.

The legend of the Glastonbury thorn involves Joseph of Arimathea, who journeyed to Britain after the death of Christ. Coming to the town of Glastonbury, Joseph sat down to rest. thrusting his staff into the ground. It immediately took root and gave forth branches and green leaves. Every year after that, the thorn tree would bloom

may you come to know His special blessings of peace, hope and love. Phillips Drug Santa Anna

> bet's all sing a carol of peace, serenity and goodwill, this special holiday season. Many thanks to all our friends for your loyal patronage.

# **ROCKWOOD NEWS** By Mrs. John Hunter

Recent visitors with Nora Brusenhan were Cedonis Simon and Ovella Hunter of Bangs, visiting Monday evening.

Mrs Isabella McCutcheon came home Friday night after spending some time in Eldorado with her sister, Maggie Lee Williams and at Lake Travis on business. Isabella and Thurman McCutcheon went to San Antonio Sunday for graduation of grand daughter, Jamie McCutcheon, from Trinity University.

Mr and Mrs Junior Brusenhan were at Brady Simpson Lake Saturday, visiting with Mrs Freddie Polk and her guests Mr and Mrs Frank Brusenhan of Eden and Mr and Mrs



We wish you a Merry Christmas.

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cho Moore. Mary Emerson was Sunday visitor with Junior and Nell.

Mr and Mrs Jack Cooper were in Temple Friday to Sunday, visiting in the homes of the Charles Sheffields and Arlen Allens.

Mr and Mrs R.C. Arnold of Moore, Okla. visited Monday with Linnie Box. They reported Mr and Mrs Travis King and their daughter-inlaw were recently in a serious car wreck, near Lewisville, Texas and are in a Fort worth Hospital in serious condition. Mr and Mrs Robert See of Coleman visited Linnie Morday morning.

Mrs Mary Emerson reports telephone visits Saturday night with Elizabeth Hamilton of Early. Sunday, Meca Pollock of Austin called and Mrs Dennis Gleaton of Early called Sunday. Regular visitors were Ella Gray, The Junior Brusengans, Roland Deal, Elec cooper. She reports Lillie Box, a special friend, in the Brownwood Hospital seriously ill.

Jerry Johnson of Abilene spent Saturday with the Marcus Johnsons. Sunday visitors were Wanda Bible of Whon. Cathy and Jim Fraser, Tammy and Jimmy of Brownwood. Mr and Mrs Cummins Arnold of Moore, Oklahoma visited Monday, reporting the car accident of Mr and Mrs Travis King.

Johnnie Steward underwent cataract surgery in a San Angelo hospital last Friday and is home doing nicely. Billie Porter of Utopia is spending several days with them. Lots of regular callers stopped by.

Mr and Mrs Sammy Pearson, Siri and Tracy of Fairfax, Va. came to spend the Christmas Holidays with Mr. and Mrs Howard Pearson.

Ella Gray reports the Rockwood Baptist will not have Church services during the Holidays, for pastor, the Rev. Joey Wilburn to be with family. She reports a Christmas call from Jim Routh in California.

They err who think Santa Claus comes down the chimney; he really enters through the heart.



# Christmas Luminaries To Be Lit

On Christmas Eve, weather permitting, the James Spillman property on South Lee Street will by decorated with Luminaries. This custom came to this country from Mexico and is observed in many communities. The Spillmans will be lighting their Luminaries about 7:30 and unless it is raining they should be burning for several hours. When asked about the Luminaries, Mrs Spillman provided the following information.

Some people say that Christmas Luminaries represent the fires of the shepards who were in the hills on the night of Christs birth. Others tell that these lights come from the search for lodging by Mary and Joseph.

Many towns line the entire town in a fiesta of lights. El Paso and San Antonio probably are the most beautiful in Texas.

If you wish to join the welcome to the Christ Child, plan now for your luminaries. On a very windy might use fairly large grocery sacks. Fold down a cuff at the top. Put in a few inches of sand, gravel of soil, enough to hold the sack down. Enough to make your candle stand up. This will prevent the candles burning down and starting a fire. Votive candles are best because they can stand alone and will burn longer. You can use the stumps of old candles. A modern version uses electric lights in paper sacks. People use coffee cans that are painted black and punched with nail holes. These can be kept for years and are fireproof, but they are pretty. Visit Flesta at Old Fort Concho in San

Angelo to see these. Set sacks or cans a foot or so apart along sidewalks or porches. In Arizona and New Mexico people line the roofs of their adobe houses. If your family makes and places just a few sacks you will have more of the real glow of Christmas.

Dear Santa,

What kind of cookies do you like best I will fix them for you? My aunt Terry really wants to have a baby. Would you please leave a picture of your workshop, your house, your elves, and your family? My mother would like a plant of poinsettas. Santa please help the people in Africa get food for Christmas. How is Mrs. Clause doing? Fine I hope.

How are Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixon, Doner, Blitzen and Rudolph. Santa please make it snow this year for us to make a snowman. I think that is enough about other people don't you think?

For Christmas I want this doll that grows and a talking doll. I want a mechanical piggy bank. I want somebody to fix my show and tell. I want a wild pufulump and some new barbie stuff.

I would also like some new teddy bears. I need some glue. Love Ricky Runyan to Mr. Santa Claus and Mrs. Santa Claus.

I love you, Ricky Runyan

### Dear Santa.

How are you? How is Mrs. Santa and the elves. I want a car brat orand. I would like to come over to your house. How are the toyes.

> Love, Jason

Dear Santa,

I would like a tramdotline and a motor cycle and a drum set and a snake. I will leave you some cookies.

> Love. Mike Donham

Dear Santa,

How are you doing and is the elves are busy making toys? For Christmas I want a bike and a Barbie ice cream shop, and a baby Heather, and I want Beby talk and Baby Julie. How is Rudolph? how is Mrs. Santa Claus? i am going to leave you some cookies.

Love, Maricela

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Santa? are you busy? Are your elves busy? I wish I get to get some gray boots and a bike too. Ohyeah, I just forgot about Rudolph I hope he is alright.

Love, Yolanda

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Santa Claus doing? I would like to go visit you. And I hope you give me everything I want. I would like a baby Heather. I hope the elves are not busy. I would like skates. I dont want too.

Love, Rene

Dear Santa.

What is Mrs. Claus doing tonight? I would like a Barbie Ice cream shop ans the Twin Cabage Patch and **Baby Heather and the Real Cabbage** patch and a Barbie doll kitchen.

> Love, Melissa Wristen

Dear Santa.

How are the elves doing. Are the reindeer ok? Is Mrs. Santa Ok? This is what I want. Ravage, battleship, sound wave, lazer beek.

Love, Justin

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Santa Claus. Are your elves very busy? For Christmas I would like to get a scooter and I wish I could get a skateboard. I will leave, you some cookies.

Love. Jeremy

Dear Santa.

Are mrs. santa claus and the elves doing good I want to have a skateboard and a G.I.joe helicpoter and a light base and a bike I want to get a barn Booggy a Randy travis tapes My Too Too and I will give you five cookies.

Love, Tony

Dear Santa,

How are you doing and how is Mrs. Clause doing I want a scooter, skats, boats, swimming pool, trampoline, skate board, gold car, sun bike, tires, radio. How is Rudolph red nose reindeer? I am going to let you eat cokies and milk. Please write me back.

Love Aaron Ray Guthrie



Try to bring Rudolph. Would you bring me a football? Santa we do not have a chimhey so you can come in the door.

May I have a bike? Would you bring me a toy bear? I will leave you ten cookies close by the tree.

Love. J.R. Alavare

Dear Santa,

Dear Snta.

Santa how are you and Rudolph? I wish I had a play Frosty. I wish I had a toy Rudolph. i wish I had all the other reindeer. I wish I had a toy train. I wish I had a toy cow. i wish I had a toy bell. You have to come through the door. I wish I had some checkers. I wish I had toy gun. I wish I had a toy Christmas tree. I wish I had a toy car.

From Your Friend, Albert Leon Dixon

Dear Santa,

I will leave you some cookies and milk. I want a barbie doll set and a barbie doll. How is Rudolph? Santa Claus I love you too Santa Claus. Tell Mrs. claus hi. can I pet Rudolph? Does he have a red nose? I love my family.

from Lisa Hernandez

Dear Santa,

How are you? I want a new bike for Christmas. When you get to my house there will be cookies on the table by the Christmas tree. Love.

Ron Thompson

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph Santa? I wish I had a remote control car an Aggeiy jacket and 10,000 pound puppies and I will leave you som 7-up.

Love. Josh Daniel

Dear Santa,

How do your reindeer fly? I want to know the nemes of the reindeer? I want Brave Star and 3030 and a toy snake. i love you Santa.

Jason Lewis

Dear Santa,

How do your reindeer fly? Santa the goodies will be on the coffee table. I want a remote control car and a football. Does Rudolph's nose glow? What do you eat for breakfast?

> Love. Jonathan Wagner

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a baby

Heather and a make up-bag and a BarBie-pool-set and a Smurf. And for my mom I would like for you to get her some make-up and I would like a pound puppy. Santa can I ride in your sleigh? Can I pet Rudolph? I will leave you some milk. OK? Love,

Beth Eisenhower

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I want a skate board. And a pound puppy, i will leave you some milk.

Love, Joshua Throgmorton

Dear Santa.

I have been good. I would like a Baby Taakr. How is Rudolph? I hope he IS OK. I would like a new baby popples and a teddy bear. I am going to leave some cookies and milk, and my brothers would like a radio. I would like a radio too and a pogobali.

Love. Kristen Keeney Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl this year. Please bring me a doll house and a Lady Lovely Locks. Bring my brother Ryne a red wagon. We will be at Grandma Pat's house.

> Love you. Dana Smith

Dear Santa, I would like some toys for Christmas. I have been a good boy. I would like a truck and some blocks.

Love. John Burns

Dear Santa,

I want a toy Bigfoot pickup and a captain power gun. I also want a Brave star toy and a Grubby doll. Santa can you please bring me a blue centurian.

I want you to bring my mom a ring and a necklace and my dad a pistol. I'll leave some cookies and milk for you by the Christmas tree.

> Love, **Boone Cook**

Dear:Santa Clause.

Santa I want a BMX bike and a new T.V. Then I want ahat and a new toy baseball. Then I want a Toy Gun chain and a jacket with patches. Mark

Dear Santa,

I have bean a good boy this year. All But the first week of school. Will you please bring me some workbooks, Radio, watche, Games, Skateboad, Verifey Strada. I know there is more boys and Girls you have to take toys to.

Thank you Santa I Love you, Bennie Bible

Dear Santa,

I want a soccer ball. I want a racing car. I want a remote control car. Thank you Santa, and be careful.

Love. **Brent Beal** 

Dear Santa. I want a big wheel, clothes and a

Michael Kirven

Dear Santa Clause,

I want a porsche and a video art. Nest I want a stuffed foot ball player. Then I want a remote control car and truck. Finally I want a Nentendo systym.

**Devin Brand** 

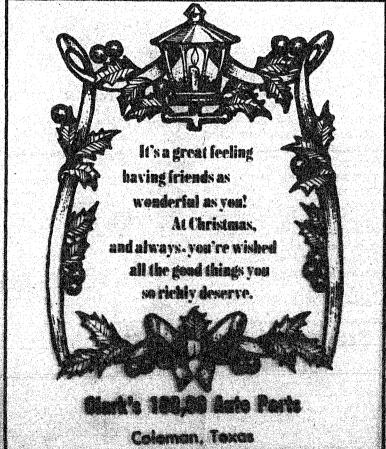
**Dear Santa** 

I would like tiny pink booties for my doll Margaret, and a fish named Roger and skates so I can be in a roller derby when I grow up.I would like David to be my boyfriend but he likes Susan. I want my big sister to be nice to me for a change. I would like mom and dad to dont fight and they dont much. Would you bring me dad a helicopter so he wont have to fight traffik. Would you make the snow melt so I can play outside. I already builded a snowman named frosty. I peeked at you last year when you brought presents. You are very hansome.

> Love Latisha

**EDITOR'S NOTE** 

Santa told the news staff that he was especially pleased to receive this letter because it came from out of state to his special mailbox in Santa Anna.





# WHON NEWS By Mrs. Tom Rutherford

Avant in Santa Anna answered her doorbell and was muchly surprised that her grandson Jimmy Avant of California was standing there. Jimmy had come to Texas for the surgery of his mother who lives in the Houston area. Friday morning, Jimmy decided to come to Coleman County to visit his grandmother, and also his dad, Mr. and Mrs. James Avant in Coleman. Jimmy drove back to Houston Friday night and was to catch a flight back to his home in California.

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I am sorry I worded an article as I did last week. I failed to realize that most do receive their on paper on Thursday. This coming Friday is Christmas Day. Since there will be no mail Friday, "A Merry Christmas to All" regardless of when you receive your paper.

Mrs. Darwin Lovelady reports her family, the Baker family, enjoyed their Christmas Dinner in the Mountain Center in Santa Anna the past Sunday. She reports a nice Perkins. crowd was present and all enjoyed the visitation and the abundance of the feelings was good to have been together one more time.

Mr. Norman Floyd Morris and son

Mr. and Mrs. Amon Ott attended a Christmas party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James and Chrissie Hale at Coleman Saturday night.

Mrs. Pearl Avant and her son, Mr. and Mrs. James Avant of Coleman were in Brady Sunday in the home of her son, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Avant. They enjoyed a very delicious Christmas dinner and Santa Claus was very good to all of

Little Yancy Ott spent the

Friday afternoon Mrs. Pearl weekend with his grandparents. Leon and Billie Griffin of Gouldbusk. Mr. and Mrs. Amon Ott went for him

> Mr. Hilary Rutherford of Coleman and his granddaughter Denea Boatright of Brownwood were out with me today, Monday.

The day of surprises are not over. Mr. and Mrs. Wimpy Watson of Brownwood and a son Mr. Gene Sherrod of Tennessee visited with Hilary and myself this Monday afternoon. Mr. Sherrod will be leaving soon for several years over seas. Welcome to friends.

Todd and daughter Tonna of Lubbock attended memorial services for Mr. Moody Sikes at the Davis Morris Funeral Chapel in Brownwood Wednesday P.M. Burial was in the Bangs cemetery. Mr. Sikes was a friend of the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Lovelady was recently visiting with recently food served. Each one departed with with his his Aunt Myrtle Robertson in Abilene and while there did some

the weekend.

Billy Lovelady, Jaunita Minica Wednesday night.

Mr. Kirk Massey and friends of Abilene were on the Massey Ranch during the weekend.

Mrs. Doug Avant and sons of Austin were dinner guests with her grandmother Mrs. Pearl Avant in Santa Anna on Saturday.

Sunday School was held at 10 a.m.

The 84 party was held Thursday 20 present, all had a good time. ed. The next party will be New Years night at the Community

Sunday my brother Charles Shield and I went to Bangs after church to a big dinner at Laura Harris. Was 25 there, we had turkey and all the trimings. All brought something for dinner. We had so many good salads and other things also ham and roast.

Pam Garrett spent the week end with her grandmother Mary Lea Mitchell, her husband went a

Stacy and Genia McIver ate dinner Sunday with Lou. Mary Ola and Elmer Woods visited Sunday evening. Russie James visited Friday

Clatchy Saturday evening. Carrie was not as well as she had been. Santa Anna, She took she and Carrie

children went to Fort Worth over the week end.

Blake ate out Sunday night, They visited Darla and Terry McIver and family. Also attended the program at the First Baptist Church in Santa

Margaret and Warren Barton spent the week end in Dallas. December 11-13, visiting friends and sharing holiday festivites, Saturday of this week. Mildred Shine and Carl

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Dear Santa.

Sunday and were dinner guests.

Mr. Loyd Rutherford and his son

Mrs. Janie Morris was in Coleman Friday afternoon and visited her brother, Mr. and Mrs. William

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Otts of Ronnie of Brownwood were guests of Lillian, Tx. near Forth Worth, were his uncle Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Morris guests of his cousin, Mr. and Mrs. Amon Otts and young Yancy over

> and Kathern Horner were bedtime guests of Lucille Sorrells in Coleman

# TRICKHAM NEWS By Mrs. O.R. Boenicke

Sunday morning here.

night at the Community Center, was Each brought something to be serv-Center.

We came by Carrie Stacy on our way home and visited her, Tom Stacy of Abilene visited her Monday. Rankin and Natalie McIver visited

Charlie and I Saturday evening. hunting.

Visitors wirh Lou Vaughn: Carrie morning.

Russie James visited Carrie Mc-Russie also visited Gladis Hunter at some cookies.

Pat Jr. and Shannon McShan and

Vinson of Harker Heightes visited Margaret and Warren. Brenda and Les Wohlman of Mammouth Lakes. California spent Monday and Tuesday with the Bartons.

Doyne and Genia McIver went to Cleburne and Fort Worth to Lora Harnell Zackery Graduation from TWC Friday night and afterward visited Lora and Mike Zackery family and J.W. and Gayla family also Allen Harnell was there from SMU. Genia went to the Christmas program at the First Baptist Church at Santa Anna. Betsy and Sally McIver

Dear Santa.

I want a curbcruiser and a Hot Wheels set. And some go-cart parts. In my stocking I want some candy and some cars.

Dear Santa.

Will you please bring me a blue scooter, a Barbie doll, and a pogo ball. And bring my sister Hannah a Teddy Bear. And I want a talking Mickey Mouse.

Thank You. Abriauna Collins

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Love,

you are doing fine Santa.

**Shane Taylor** 

SANTA ANNA NEWS

All I am asking for is just to go to Houston. Me and my sister because we want to see our uncles and aunts and my grandma. I hope you get this note because me and my sister pray every night to go to Houston. And also I beleive in you a lot. I think of refrigerator. Thank you! you as a gentle kind man because

Chris Cheaney

Clause.

P.S. Please bring my nephew Julio Jr. a set of baby teeth and my little

Love.

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want a computer that tells me all the answers and a new scooter to ride.

God gave and I am glad there is a

I am a good girl. I want a com-

puter, and a california raisen tape,

and a little sewing machine and a

Barbie ice cream shop playset. I like

your toys so much that I wish I can

Santa Claus like you.

**Rachel Guerrero** 

Love.

Dear Santa,

have it all.

Love,

Your sweet girl,

Darbi Jo Neff

Love, Rosa S.

Dear Santa Clause,

I would like a skate board for Christmas. I would like it to be brite pink. I would also like to have a hot looks doll named Elkie and a back pack. I would like to have the game Mouse Trap and animater. I will leave some milk and cookies. Merry Christmas.

Your friend, **Briana Horner** 

Dear Santa. I want a Teddy Ruxpin doll, a baby talk. I wish that you would bring my

mom a ring and my dad a 22 with a scope. Bring my sisters a new car. And my brother a disect a alien. Love,

**Devin Cook** Dear Santa.

I want some hair clips, a comb, a sticker book, and a doll. Please bring my little brother (Daniel) a truck and my big sister (Mika) a computer. Oh, if you have any room left in your bag, please bring me a popple. Hope you and Mrs. Santa Clause have had a good year.

Love. Sarah

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy. Santa Claus please would yoy please bring me a town? Santa would you please bring me some gray boots like Zachary's? Santa would you please bring me a train set? Santa will you please bring me He-man toys? Santa would youplease bring me a He-man puzzle? Sant would you please bring me a car wash with cars? Sant Santa would you please bring me a Teddy Ruxpin? Santa would you please bring me an elf? Santa would you please bring me a trampoline? Please be careful.

Good luck. I love you, **Eric White** 

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a scooter for Christmas. renote control car and a football game and a AM-FM stereo. i hope

Your Frind.

Dear Santa,

When you come to visit me I would like you to give me a computer, a ventriloquist dummy, a scooter, and a California Raisin tape. Santa I will leave 12 cookies and a glass of milk and the rest of the milk is in the

Yours Sincerely,

Dear Santa Claus.

At school Mrs. Grenlee is nice too us. What I want for Christmas is a computer and a 4 wheeler and a jam box and a Atari set and a train set. Do you like Christmas, Santa

sister Deana a girls bike.

Your friend Lupe Castillo

Dear Santa Claus,

Merry Christmas. I want a scooter and a computer, barbis ice cream shop, trampuling, baby talk, jewelry and chockboard. You will have cookies and milk on the table.

Love. Ami

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy this year I want a bike a commeter 64 and the game rambo first blood part II 15 packs of b bs dasey defence fore set Lazer tag game kit and fireworks.

Love, Kenton

Dear Santa,

How are you and how is Rudolph Santa I would like to have a lazer tag Santa when Christmas comes let the wind sing.

> Thank you, Chris

I want a new bike, I also want a remote control car. I also want a He-Man collection.

> Love, Pedro Padilla

I have been good this year and for x-mas I would like a guitar, a 3 wheeler and a belt with a buckle. Please bring my five sisters something too. They have been good

And last of all bring my little neice a baby ring and necklace.

Jesse Castillo

To Santa Clus in the North Pole and

a Merry Christmas, I would like to have a big baibe house and ten car Road Star You are a good man oh yea. i was good and I love ya oh yea I want all Biebe dolls you can find well god by-for now

God bless ya Jennifer Melinda Brown

Dear Santa.

I have been waiting to see you. i am going to to leave you some milk and cookies. come in the door. I want an Rc arrow racer and a pogostick and a skateboard. How arr your raindeer doing? and how is Dancer doing? get some rest. I will make you a quilt and you can put it on your bed. You can put the quilt anywhere you want to. Bring Rudolph too. I would like a ball. Tell Mrs. Claus hi too.

Love. Ryan Keeney

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Dear Santa,

I have been a very good girl, for my mom. This year I want a new Gem Barbie and Rio, and Tilla tray, and Barbie house. Be careful on your trip Santa Claus and have a Merry Christmas.

> Love, **Chantel Salazar**

Dear Santa I would like for you to bring my Brother a Black jacket with lot's of zippers on it, and a remote control

truck, and a BB gun. And for Terry a Texas Amanak, a

pair of Boots and a Jacket. And for my Mom, would you please bring her, a popcorn poper,

and perfume, And for myself I woild Like a Baby dall that talkes, a pair of shoes, and a computer.

> Love **Christy Trichel**

Dear Santa, Hi, is it snowing at the north Pole? If it is will you send me some snow? We dont have any in Santa Anna. Send me a whole Bunch of Snow.

My Moma said I have Been pretty good. I want a fishing Pole and a helicopter and a space shuttle. My Brother Willie is to little to write. He has been good this year so he will get some presents. He always wants what I want so get him a helicopter and space shuttle to. Be sure you bring some snow. Put it in the Ice Box so it wont melt. I hope you Bring your Sleigh instead of your three wheeler you had in the Parade. Br-

ing your Reindeer-I Love you. **David Gilbreath** 

Dear Santa. How are you today. I am fine. How are the elves too. i wish I could have a bike and a Barbie ice cream shop. I wish I had a baby Heather and a baby doll that fells like reel. I wish I had a Cabbage Patch splashing Rid a Cabbage Patch talking Rid and boots. How is Rudolph? Can I have a

ride please on your sleigh? I love you,



in Bethlehem.

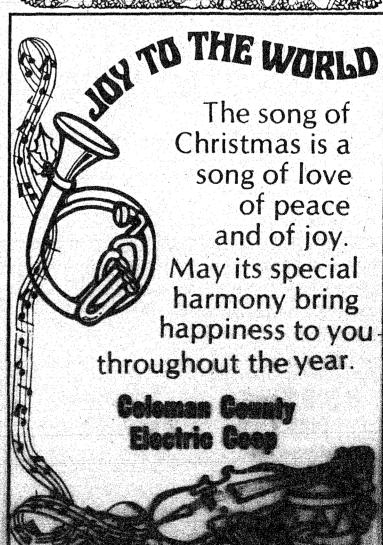
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Merry Christmas Mom and Dad Love, **Dub and Ruth** 



### Teens, Alcohol and Rural Roads Don't Mix

Holiday party-time often means a long drive for rural Texas toenagers- a drive that can end in tragedy. "Rural youth are just as subject to pressures to drink as teenagers in urban areas,"says Dr. Mary Ann Heussner, a health educa-

tion specialist. "The relatively lower use of seatbelts in rural counties and the temptation to drive at excessive

speeds on open country roads can create a fatal mix." In 1986, 42 percent of all rural fatal accidents in-

volved driving while intoxicated (DWI), while 35 percent of all statewide accidents involved DWI. according to the Texas A&M Univer-

specialist. She encourages teenagers to give their parents a worry-free holiday season by stay-

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ing free of alcohol or other drugs. using a seatbelt and urging friends to do the same and riding with only those drivers and friends who have not been drinking.

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# SantaAnnaSweepsTournament

Both Santa Anna teams swept to the finals of the second annual **Booster Club Invitational Basketball** Tournament held from last Thursday thru Saturday at Perry Gymnasium. When all was said and done. the Santa Anna Girl's team and the Santa Anna Boy's team were awarded the tournament championship trophies.

Both teams defeated the Lohn teams for the championships in their respective divisions.

#### Girl's Division

In the first round on Thursday night, Rising Star defeated Lohn

Santa Anna Came out ahead of Blanket 47-39. In that action Shannon Brown led the scoring with 11 points and Rhonda Fleeman had 10.

In Friday's action the Blanket girls defeated Lohn by a score of

Santa Anna was victorious in a close one with Rising Star, defeating the Wildcats 39-33.

In their second game of the tournament, Santa Anna was led by Amy McGough with 10 points.

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Glory that is Christmas!

Peace and thanks to our patrons.

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The residents and staff of

In action on Saturday, Blanket defeated Rising Star 55-51

In Saturday night's championship game Santa Anna totally dominated the game and defeated the girls from Lohn for the title. The Lohn Coach "threw in the towel" during the third quarter when all but three of his team had fouled out. The Santa Anna girls had racked up 67 points to their 7 but the game will be recorded as a forfiet of 1-0.

Tammi Morrow and Shannon Brown led the scoring in that game with 12 points each. Others were D. Castillo with 7; A. Mcgough 5; R. Fleeman 8; N. Mcgough 2; C. Morrow 5; M. Moreno 3; S. Cestillo 10.

Named to the all-tournament team were:Sylvia Castillo of Santa Anna: Burdick of Blanket; Amy McGough, Santa Anna: J. Harris of Rising Star; Rhonda Fleeman of Santa Anna. Tricia Sparks of Blanket was named Most Valuable Player.

#### Boy's Division

In the first round action on Thursday Lohn defeated Rising Star 85-64. In their first of the tournament games, the Santa Anna boys crushed Blanket 81-48. kendall Davison led

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a B.B. gun, a remote control car with turbo charge a 5-speed and Teddy Ruxton with Grubby.

Thank you love Josh Lewis

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a million dollars. a 3-wheeler, a remote control car with turbo charge, a motorcycle, a car and Ghost buster toys.

> Thank you **Andy Ramires**

Dear Santa Claus,

Here is what I want. remote control, soccer game, Atari game, fourwheeler, Sorry game. telephone,\$1,000, Bionic Six, Cabbage Patch, Microscope, telescope, Super Hair Barbie, Baby Heather, corn silk, Teddy Ruxton, Teddy bear, T.V., pickup, pogo ball, pig

Jackie McNew

the scoring in the rout with 20 points. Reece McIver had 18 for the night and Eddie Tomlinson, 19.

In the boy's second round action on Friday Lohn defeated Blanket

Santa Anna took it to Rising Star to the tune of 78-62. Davison agin led the scoring with 23 points. McIver had 13 and Hartman 12.

On Saturday the Blanket boys defeated Rising Star 62-51.

In the Saturday night championship game, Santa Anna came out victorious in a very close 66-62 win over Lohn. This was the first time in five years that the local boys had

Dear Santa.

I want a telephone, a remote control. Atari games, a sccer game, and finaly the game Sorry.

Love Scott Watson

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like to have a minebike, a t.v. and a microscop, and a telescop and a Teddy Ruxton with Grubby, and I want a pikup a pogo ball and a car and pigpong and teddy bear and a rabbit and a 10 speed and a remote control 18 wheeler and some Jang. your friend.

Albert

Dear Santa Claus, I want these things:

1. T.V.

2. pogo ball

3. V.C.R. 4. pig pong

5. Baby Heather

6. Cabbage Patch 7. Teddy Ruxton

8. Barbie

9. phone 10.com silk

11. computer

12. teddy bear love: Missy

Dear Santa Claus.

Here is my list I want for Christmas. I want a pogo ball, Baby Heather, \$1,000, Cabbage Patch, Computer. Super Hair Barbi,

Telephone. Love, Ruby Estrada

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a Four-wheeler, A Super Hair Barbie. corn Silk Cabbage Patch kid. A V.C.R. a T.V. a telephone to see god. A pogo ball. I wish was 16 so I could drive a Limo or a Firarre, A conputer, and Finally Five-millon-Dollars.

Love Tara Tuttle

Dear Santa.

I would like a ten speed bike and a pair of house shoes and a doll. Please being my brother Shane a tool set. I will try to leave out some milk and cookies. How is Mrs.

Love, Chanda Sinnons

beaten a team from Lohn and it was a sweet victory for the Mountaineers. The game was nip and tuck all the way but Santa Anna pulled away from Lohn in the fourth quarter to surge ahead of the Eagles for the Championship Title.

Davison again was scoring leader with 20 points. Hartman had 11; Tomlinson 6; McIver 8; Anderson 8; Deleon 2: Wells 9 and Absher 2.

Named to the all-tournament team in the boy's division were Reece McIver of Santa Anna: David White of Rising Star: Ron Davis, Blanket; and Chris Short, Lohn. James Hartman of Santa Anna was named Most Valuable Player.

Dear Santa,

I want a boat, truck, a light up Santa, lite brite, play bus.

Love,

Kenny

Dear Santa, This is Maria I love to have a reng and pretty clothes and a Barbie, and a BaBy dall for my little sister and Ken for Amy my sister.

Love. Maria I have cookies for you. Maria

How are you doing? I live in Santa Anna Texas. I am 7 years old. What I want for christmas is a remote control car.

Benny

Dear Santa.

How are you I Wont A Barbie Doll and a cabbage Patch that talks and For my brother BJ a Three wheeler.

Sasha Hull

Dear Santa.

I will like to have a new bicycle, a remote control truck, a new scooter. And a new kitty Condo for my kitten. And a black hat.

Love Adam

Please bring me a new bike. I have been a good girl. I would also like Chris-mutt. Please bring toys to poor children, Thanks.

> Love. Stephie Warnock

Dear Santa,

I would like a pogo ball, a tool box, a set of space Legos, and a train set Thank you



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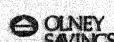
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# **CLEVELAND NEWS**

By Mrs. Clara Cupps

Sandi Watson of Santa Anna spent Angelo visited also. The Lee Ray her grandparents, Mr and Mrs

Mr and Mrs George Teeters was dinner guest of Mr and Mrs R.W. Cupps Saturday.

Charlie Fleming visited his mother Mrs Bula Fleming and Margie Tursday morning. Phylis was out Thursday and her and Eddie was out again Saturday.

Mr and Mrs C.T. Moore visited Mrs Louise Moore Sunday afternoon, Lil Bourland visited Iona Moore Saturday.

Having early Christmas dinner with Mr and Mrs Cecil Ellis were their children, The Benny Jarvis and girls of Johnson City, The Jerry Ellis and children and Tammy Ellis and Mrs Grace Ellis. All spent the weekend.

Mrs Thelma Fleming visited the Emil Williams Thursday.

Billy Williams visited Hardon Phillip Saturday evening. Syble Huggins dropped by Sunday evening. Hardon visited Bruce Alsbrook

D.H. Moore of Germany visited the Edd Hartman Friday.
Mr and Mrs Casey Herring and

Pete and Jeff Herring and Dale Herring went to Stephenville to Pam Morgan graduation. She graduated with high honors. Others going were Gene and Charlene Schulle of Odessa. John Morgan came home with the family to spend a few days.

Sug Stearns and Annie Laura York visited Mrs Winnie Hayes Sunday

Amber Huggins spent Thursday night with her grandparents, the Ray Huggins. Leon Phillip of San

Saturday and Saturday night with Huggins went to Coleman to help Adam Huggins celebrate his Birthday. Dena and Kris spent most of Sun-

day with the Cavin Campbell. The J.E. Williams visited the R.W.

Cupps Monday night. Gladys Haynes visited the Emil

Williams Sunday Evening. J.T. and Lebbie Naron and boys

spent the weekend with the John Naron. Kem and Travis Edger visited Sunday. D.H.Moore of Lundstuhl spent the

week with his mother. Mrs Louise Moore. Monday they went to San Angelo to visit Ginger and Larry Driver. While there Louise became a great-grandmother and D.H. was Grandpa. Baby was born Wednesday, was a little girl.

Mr and Mrs Pete Moore went to Eden to visit Mr and Mrs kBenjy Allison one day last week.( Hi

Mrs Louise Moore and D.H.Mcore visited Mrs Veld Mills Friday.

Those having Christmas at Janice and Curtis Fellers and Byran Sunday night were; Betty Joyce Cupps, Mrs Byrdie Miller, Regina Walker and Toyna of Abilene, Shane Cupps also of Abilene, Micheal and Linda Cupps of Brownwood, Marcus and Sherry Taggret and Chad of Brownwood, Karl and Jarvlene Wagner and Jason. Betty said they really had a nice Christmas.

Sherry Jackson fo Austin and Peggy Miller of Eden spent the day Sunday with their mother and grandmother Mrs Tay Ford

Mr and Mrs C.E. Wise went to Abilene Thursday night. Spent the

night with the Charles Taylor family.

From my House to your House. Wishing all you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year 1988. If all you just think, we have a

lovely workd to live in. With God Trust. Once again, Merry Christmas to

all 1987. Have Nice weekend.

#### Christmas **Facts And Fancies**

Did you know that the observance of Christmas was once considered a crime in parts of America?

In 1659, the General Court of Massachusettes passed a law making the observance of Christmas a penal offense. The Dutch settlers in New Amsterdam, however, were traditionally fond of celebrations and maintained their Old World customs at Christmas.

Christmas Gift **Spending Cut** 

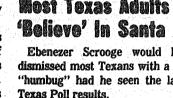
The average amount Texans say they plan to spend on Christmas presents this year is about \$100 less than they said they would spend in a survey taken a year ago.

According to the fall Texas Poll. Texans estimate they will spend an average of \$480 on presents this Christmas, down from the \$574 they had anticipated spending last year.

In a survey of loo2 Texas Adults conducted in November, two out of three said they would spend less than \$500 on Christmas presents. Most (85 percent) say that amount is about the same or less than they spent last Christmas

Some Texans, on the other hand, plan to spurge this season. Thirty percent say they will be spending more on Christmas this year

Fifteen percent expect to spend \$500 to \$1000 while 6 percent plan to spend even more.



at all to young children.

# Miscellaneous

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# Most Texas Adults

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Ebenezer Scrooge would have dismissed most Texans with a loud "humbug" had he seen the latest Texas Poll results.

More than seven out of ten Texans surveyed last month think it is important that young children believe in Santa Claus. Only 15 percent say belief in Santa is not very important

Out of 1,002 Texas adults surveyed, 43 percent say it is very important for a young child to believe in Santa:

28 percent think it is somewhat important. Thirteen percent say it is only a little important for children to believe in Santa Claus, while 15 percent say it is not important at all.

Most have an opinion on the subject and only 1 percent are undecided.

#### **Famous Christmas Trees**

There have been some nationally famous Christmas trees down through the years, such as:

1926 — "The Nation's Christmas Tree," a giant sequoia more than 3,500 years old with a circumference of 107 feet stood in Kings Canyon National

Park-the center of California. This was the setting for annual pilgrimages and Christmas programs by many.

1933 - The beginning of very tall Christmas trees placed in Rockefeller Center, New York City. That year the tree was 90 feet tall.

1948 — A 96-foot white spruce stood in Pershing Square, Los Angeles. 1948 - A 134-foot Douglas fir was the Christmas tree in Bellingham, Washington; the following year a 153-

foot tree was used 1950 — Seattle held the record up to that time for the tallest Christmas tree, 212 feet high and weighing 25 tons.



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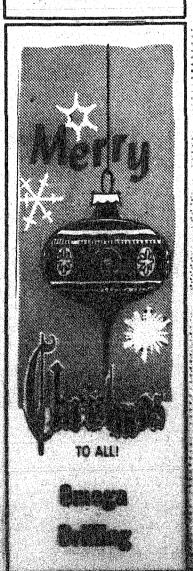












# RANGER PARK INN

By Annie Mae Brimer

Rev. P.A. and Mrs Lindley, Mrs Keeney and Sandra Steffey sang thirty minutes to a large number of residents Tursday evening. It is such a joy to have them visit our nursing home.

We are delighted the Boy Scouts think of our residents when they have pop corn to give. Senior Partol Leader Glen Donham and Pete Diaz along with Scout Master Tex Wright gave four buckets of pop corn for the residents to enjoy on Fridays at our fun time.

Wednesday morning Kathy Weigand teacher at the Adventest Church School brought the students to present a Christmas program



Mary's Beauty Shop

with bells, piano selections and songs, Taking part in this program were Matthew Weigand, Kathy Watrous, Scott Dowdy, Tammie Starr, Patricia Juarez and Anna Pearce. The residents are so happy to have young people visit the home.

The residents has a special devotional Thursday morning as Rev. Claude Davison sang the message in Christmas songs and carols.

The December Birthday Party was sponsored by the Valera Baptist Church. Baking cakes for the party were Helen Laws, Glenda Gassiot, Geneva Baxter, Edwina Hopper, Lillie Charlton and Cyndi Benly, also Jan Brixey of Delta Onicron Sorority. Mrs Vera Shield provided hot chocolate, napkins, plates and glasses for the party. Cyndi Benly played Christmas songs for the group to sing, Aunt Sanantha read funny sayings to the honorees. Helen Laws. Glenda Gassiot, Jean Caldwell, and Dorothea Johnson served refreshments to Morgan French, Dicy Dowe, Mae Tyson, Vera Saield, Ward Lentz, Corrine Storey, Jim Dixon and a host of residents and guests. Andrew, Amy and Jason Benly visited with all the honorees and other residents. We appreciate all the kindnesses shown to the residents.

Joe Green, Mary Juarez and Christine Sanders popped corn for the residents Friday afternoon.

Full Gospel Fellowship Church sang Christmas songs for the residents Saturday afternoon. Your program and visit was appreciated so much and we invite you to come back

Teresa Sellers and young people of

The Northside Baptist Church conducted the third Sunday service by singing for an hour. Cleo Cude played the plano for the service. I am sorry I did not get the names of the people who presented this program.

The residents enjoyed the 42 games Monday afternoon. Peggy Johnson and Allie Pembroke helped make this a fun time.

The Pathfinders of Seventh Day Advantest Church sang Christmas Carols Monday night in all the halls of the nursing home and gave stuffed orniments to each resident. Adults bringing the children were Nathan and Patsy Starr, Kathy Pearce and Mrs. Gomez. Children were Kathy Watrous, Poncho Gomez, Melinda Gomez, Darla Dodgens, Phillip Dodgens, Erica Pearce, Anna Pearce and Tammie Starr.

#### LIVING CENTER

Preston Cude received a visit from Cleo Cude.

Minnie Greer visitors were Alma Webb and Lenora Hays.

Thelma Whitehead visitors were Stena Mitchell, Cleo Canady and Pearl White.

Edna Wells visitors were Jo Ann Hale, Jackie and J.R. Jennings. **NURSING HOME** 

Christine Sanders visitors were Claris Billings, Berniece and Horace Snedegar, Donna Cummings, Peggy

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1 3/4 cups all-purpose flour 2 1/2 teaspoons baking

- powder 1/2 teaspoon baking soda 1/2 cup margarine,
- softened 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 2 eggs 1/4 cup light rum 3 medium bananas.
- mashed (about 1 cup) 1/2 cup milk
- 1 (8-ounce) package **Chopped Dates**
- 1 (3-ounce) package cream cheese,

softened

Johnson, Syble Huggins. Faye Casey visitors kwere Laura Smith, Maggie Robinett, Vera and W.A. Byrs, Oline Flynn, Peter

Martenez and Joe Saliz. Mary Phillips visitors were Grace Griffin, Jean Rowden, Angell Hamm, Bea King, Donna Cummings. Lorlene, Tommy and Charles Williford.

Elva Cope visitors were Jiggs and Allene Cope, Robert and Maggie Robinett. Carlin and Milton Burns, Wanda and Chuck Green.

Dean and Grace McGregor, Donna Cummings. Lena Ingram visitors were Im-

Jimmie McGregor visitors were

ogene Powers, Era Lee, John and Paula Hanke, Donna Cummings. Melvin Lamb visitors were Myra

and Ben Taylor, Ollie Pembroke, Wilmoth Russell, Lucile Wylie, Aubrey McSwain, Dick Baugh, Sam Estes, Rev. John and Virginia Ridley, Gladys Day, Amanda Perry,

Add a Special Touch with Dates



1/2 cup heavy cream 1 cup confectioner's

sugar

Combine flour, baking powder and baking soda; set aside. In medium bowl, with electric mixer, beat margarine and sugar until creamy. Beat in eggs. rum and bananas. Alternately blend in milk and flour mixture. Fold in 1 cup dates. Pour into greased and floured 13x9x2-inch pan. Bake at 350°F for 35 to 45 minutes or until knife inserted

in center comes out clean. Cool. With mixer, beat cream cheese until smooth; slowly add cream and confectioner's sugar. Beat

until smooth. Spread over cake: sprinkle with remaining dates. Cut into squares. Fannie Gilbert, Rodney Dean, Syble Huggins, Ruth and Earl Irick, Joey

Gilbert. Jessie Thate visitors were Kenneth Thate, Melba and Sam Salmons.

Cupps, Raymond Cupps, Cullin

Perry, Julian Kelley, Clarence

Faye Jewell visitors were Allan Jewell, Diann Brooks, Judy Morales.

Jim Dixon visitor was his sister Myrtle Dixon.

Estelle Todd visitors were Raye King, Billie Marie Miller, Ben and Myra Taylor, Jerry and Helen Todd, Clinton Reis.

Myrtle Estes visitors were Sam Estes, Jewel Hosch, Gladys Snodgrass, Aubrey McSwain.

Velora Jackson visitors were

Felton and Bobbie Jackson. Cleo Canady visitors were Audry Jackson and Stena Mitchell.

Red Cupps visitors wer Dick

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24,1987

JEWELED CHEESECAKE Makes 8 to :0 Servings 1 1/2 cups 100% bran

- cereal, finely rolled 1 1/4 cups sugar
- 1/3 cup margarine, melted 1 (8-ounces) package DROMEDARY
- Pitted Dates, snipped 1 (24-ounces) container creamed cottage
- cheese 1/3 cup all-purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 (8-ounce) can crushed pineapple, undrained

1 teaspoon cornstarch Combine bran, 1/4 cup sugar and margarine; press on bottom of 9-inch springform pan. Bake at 375°F 8-10 minutes. Sprinkle crust with 3/4 cup

With electric mixer, beat eggs until light; beat in remaining sugar. Blend in cottage cheese, flour, lemon juice and cinna-

mon. Pour into prepared crust. Bake at 325°F 1 hour or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Turn off oven; cool 1 hour, leaving door ajar. Chill 4

hours. Heat remaining dates, pineapple and cornstarch until mixture boils and thickens. Chill. Serve over cheesecake.

Baugh, Syble Huggins, Rodney Dean, Joey Cupps, Raymond Cupps,

Myra and Ben Taylor. Ora Caldwell visitors were Clinton Reis and Charles and Jean Caldwell. Dais Wagnon visitors were Glen and Charlotte Gardner, Wanda Daniel, Fawn Wagnon.

Jimmy Watson visitors were Sam Estes, Henry Sarrell.

Mae Tyson visitors were Ben and Myra Taylor, Bob, Jo and David

Clarinda Menges and Nancy Menges visitors were Ann Spencer, Louise Taylor, Dorothy Alaobrook, Nancy Conner, Debra Bodine, Joe Taylor.

Millard Thomason was visited by Lucile Smith.

Pearl White visitors were Wanda Steffey, Junior and Wilma White. Dona Estes and Louise McClellan. Lola Kinney.

Corrine Storey visitors were Ken Storey, J.D. and Roxie Strickland, Dora Kindley, Jewel Hanfre.

Wilma Spencer was visited by Lucile Smith.

**Opal Maples visitors were Claris** Billings, Billie Simons, Jeanie Guerrero, Shayron Thompson, Ampous Castilio. Diana Castilio. Je Castillo, Amber, Carl Jr. Cynthia, Cindy Squyers, Ben and Myra Taylor.

Lacy Billings visitors were Clovis

and Claris Billings. Dona Estes visitors were Audrey Jackson, Betty Day, Louise

McClellan. Jim Daniell visitors were Dick Baugh, Syble Huggins, Dick Longbrake, Rev. Claude Davison, Claris Billings, W.D. Scarbrough,

Cullin perry, Mike Lucra. Frances Tucker visitors were Patricia and Ronnie Alexandra. Archie Tucker.

C.D. Bruce visitors were Imogene Powers, Elgean Harris, Sue Porter, Diane and Molly, Tom and Barbara

Kingsbery. Morgan French visitors were Joedy Deal, Hazel Hargrove, Jo Evelyn Dodson, Sam Estes, Aubrey French.

Octa Orr visitors were Mickey and Rick Lemkuil, Nancy and C.J. Barnes.

Vera Shield visitors were Syble Huggins, Lonella Rosach, Annella Clark, Mildred Galloway, Pauline Eubank, Barbara Kingsbery.

Hurbert McCarty was visited by Rodney McCarty. John Hunter was visited by Julian

Kelley. Lillie Knotts visitors were Jack and Ila Todd.

Iva Leist visitors were Pet Baxter. Frank and Ruth Baster, Woodrow

#### Christmas Around The World

Did you know that while the children of the United States are hanging their stockings up on Christin Eve, youngsters in countries like Spain, France and Italy put out their shoes to be filled with gifts on January 6th?

Christmas gift giving in one Scan-dinavian country is "for the birds." In Sweden, the people the burstine of grain to long poles and place them near their homes. There's a belief in Sweden that if the birds cor eat the food, the crope that year will





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