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## Annual Christmas Greeting Edition

At the time of writing this article, we are right in the midst of doing our best to get The Santa Anna News ready to mail by about noon on Tuesday. We hope the paper will reach all of you in time for you to receive the holiday wishes of all the ones who have taken advantage of the columns of this paper to wish you Holiday Greetings.

In this issue you will find Holiday Greetings from some fifty or more business concerns who wish you the Merriest Christmas you have ever had. Santa Anna merchants listed in this issue of the paper are: Ray Owen Gulf Service Station, C. F. Campbell, Hotel Coffee Shop, Tank Company, Texas National Guard, Collins Grocery, Santa Anna Farm and Ranch Supply, Service Cafe, Blossom and Jewell Gulf Service Station, Santa Anna Hospital and Clinic, Lela's Beauty Shop, Billy Pieratt Grocery and Service Station, Cammack Grain Store, Gipson Florist, Santa Anna Cooperative Gin, Shields and Standley Welding and Blacksmith Shop. All the boys from the Post Office, Coleman Gas Company, Bland Grocery.

Specks Barber Shop, Mathews Motor Co., Paynes Variety Store, E. E. Blanton's Phillips 66 Service Station, B. T. Vinson Grocery and Feed, Blue Hardware Co., Lois Henderson Laundry, Parker Auto Supply, Piggy Wiggly, Queen Theatre, The News Office Force, Santa Anna Telephone Co., Santa Anna Silica Sand Co., Inc., Phillips Drug Co., Robert L. Kirkbride, Santa Anna Produce, Ladies Shop, L. A. Welch Garage, Loyd Burris Dry Goods, City of Santa Anna, Banner Dairies, Harvey Grocery and Market, West Texas Utilities Co., Hosch Grocery Store and Furniture Co., Guthrie and Wise Grain Co., the Community Chamber of Commerce and Griffin Hatchery.

Business firms in Coleman sending the Holiday Greeting include: Kiddie Land, Hugh Capps Studio, Tyson Jeweler, the County and District elected officials, McClure's Bakery, Dixie Pig, Jinnright Manufacturing Co., Earl Smith Jeweler, Marris and Lewis Furniture Store, Coleman County State Bank, Coleman County Electric Cooperative, Inc., Gray Mercantile Co., Burrs Department Store, Blackerby Motors, Cecil Hall Motors, Dairy Dip, Wright's Funeral Home, and A-1 Cleaners.

Throughout the columns of both sections of the paper a large number of Letters to Santa Claus are being published. We hope every child in the Santa Anna area and all the surrounding communities are listed in these letters to a grand old man. It is our annual custom to publish all Letters to Santa Claus in our annual Greeting edition.

## December 24th Is Big Day For Santa Anna

Santa Anna is all set to give some lucky persons \$406.00 worth of prizes on Wednesday, December 24. All the prizes will be given during the afternoon and everyone is urged to be present.

Christmas Eve will end the annual Christmas Program put on by the Community Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with all the local merchants.

Prizes to be given away are all on display in the show windows next door to the Service Cafe.

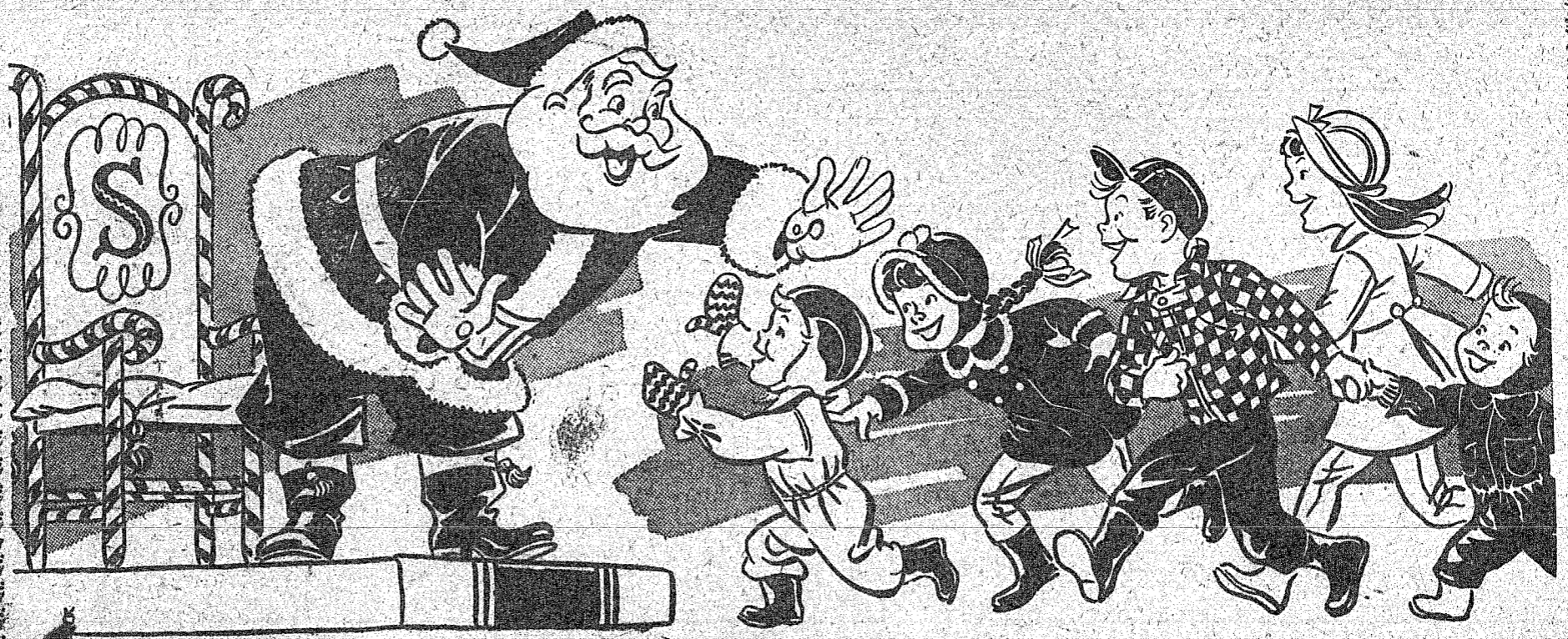
F. Z. Payne came in from Lovington, New Mexico to spend the holidays at home. Zeb, Jr., and wife will come for Christmas.

Indian Chief Uncas was the last of the Mohicans.

Here's wishing a

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

to everyone



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### Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus:

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Love  
Joyce Ann Townsley

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl six years old. I would like a doll with hair and a buggy. My little sister is four. She also wants a doll and buggy. My brother wants a watch and basketball. Don't forget our Uncle Affie he wants a big stick of candy. I love you Santa Claus.

Love  
Dessa Mae Rushing

Dear Santa:

I have been a good girl. Will you please bring me an electric iron, a pair of cowboy boots, and a Betsy McCall doll. I'll be down at Mam-Maw's Christmas, where you brought my toys last year.

Love,  
Janis Barton

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a service station, space house shoes, western hat and boots.

I have been a good boy. I am 5 years old. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Love  
Les Guthrie

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy four years old. I am a good boy when I am asleep. Please bring me a cowboy belt with two holsters and two pistols and a tricycle. Don't forget my two brothers and my sister.

Thanking you in advance,  
Bobby Ray Stearns

Dear Santa Claus:

We are two little boys. We have tried to be good. I, Joe, will soon be five years old. I would like you to bring me a road grader, a dump truck, a shot gun, some blocks, some nuts, fruit and candy.

I, Larry, am three years old. I want a steam shovel, a gun, some tinkler toys, some candy, nuts, fruit. Don't forget the other little boys and girls. Bye.

Your little pals  
Joe and Larry Rutherford

Dear Santa Anna Claus:

I want a watch for Christmas. Also a basketball, an electric train, a ranch, a truck and a B-B gun.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Love  
Weldon

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a set of dishes and a

baton. I want a cash register and my little brother wants a football and a basketball.

Merry Christmas.  
Your friend  
Sandra Ann Hartman.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good girl. Please bring me a doll and spelling and counting board and a basketball and candy and nuts.

Thanks  
Earla Jean Buse.

Dear Santa Claus:

We are two little sisters. We want the same thing for Christmas. We want dolls just alike, some dishes, some silver wear and some powder candy and fruit. Don't forget all the other little girls and boys. O Yes Santa I have a little brother 5 months old. He wants a pretty blanket and a red Riddles. Wishing you a Merry Christmas Santa Claus.

Eugena and Doris Smith

Dr. W. P. Johnson, who formerly practiced medicine in Santa Anna, and who left here in 1950, was here on Thursday of last week, greeting friends. He made a call at the News Office and renewed his subscription. He and Mrs. Johnson live at Kevil, Ky. The Johnsons still own their home here, and he says he thinks Santa Anna is one of the very best places in the United States. He left Mrs. Johnson visiting a sister at Can-

ton, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ras Billrey left on Thursday of last week for an indefinite visit with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and

Mrs. Ernest McKinzie at Spur. Mr. McKinzie is quite ill.

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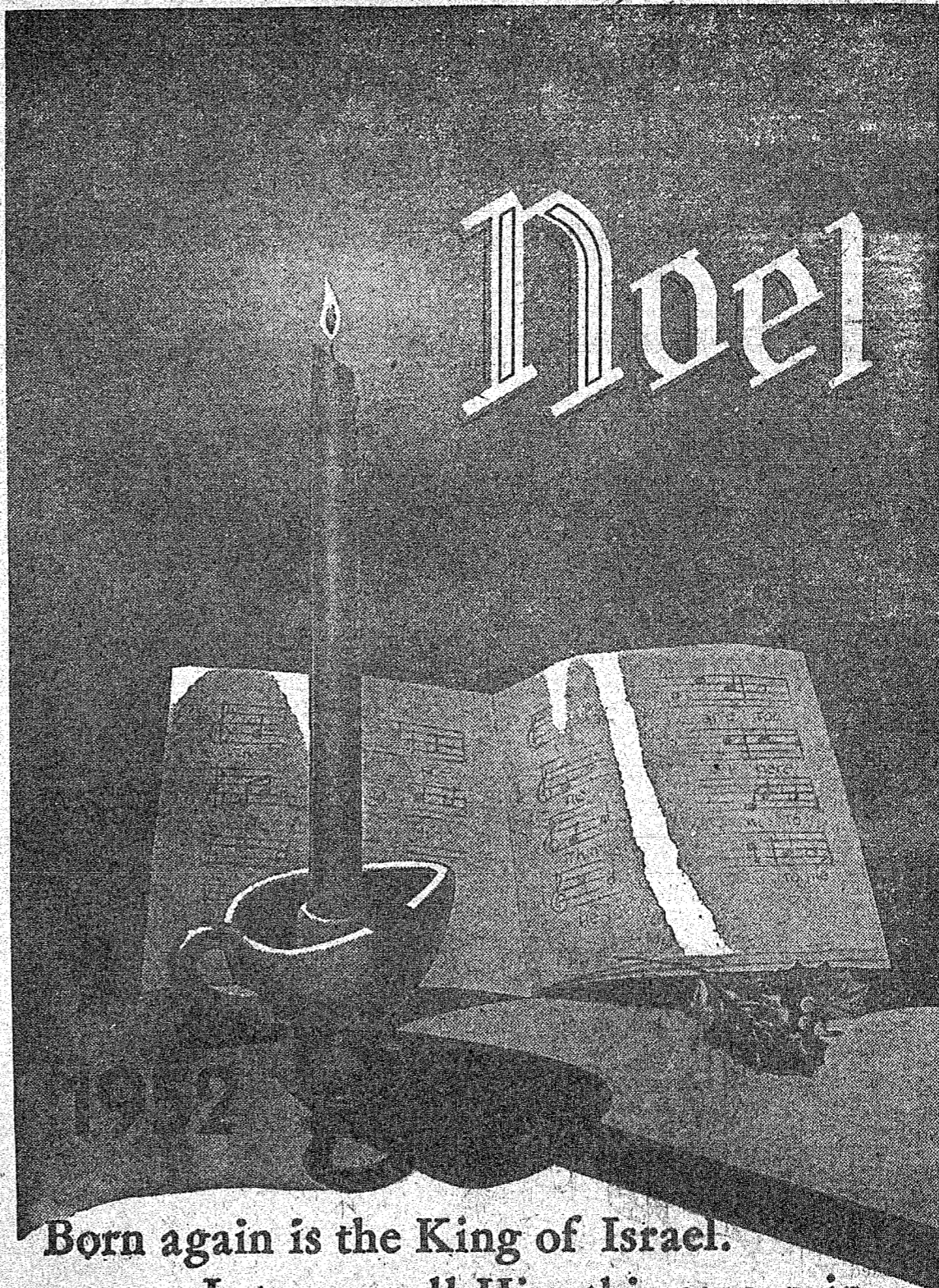
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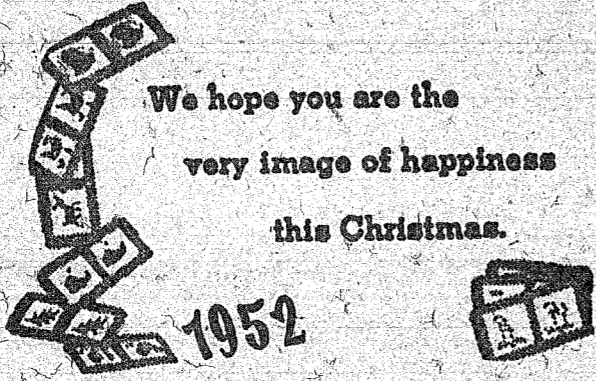
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in large measure.

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**Letters To  
Santa Claus**

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 5 years old, and I will be visiting my grandmother in Santa Anna. (I live in Brownwood.)

Will you please bring me a big blond doll with a pony tail, skates, sewing machine and

fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget the other little boys and girls.

Love you lots  
Karen McCluskey

Dear Santa Claus:

I am five years old and I would like for you to bring me a red headed doll with a pony tail, skates, sewing machine, fruit, nuts and candy.

Thank you for what you brought me last Christmas.

Be sure and bring gifts to all the other little girls and boys.

Love,  
Garlynn Powell

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 2½ years old. I love you Santa and I'll leave some sugar for your reindeer on the mantel.

Santa, please bring me a snow suit to keep me warm, a red wagon, fruit nuts and candy. Remember the other children

all over the world and Karen and Garie.

Your little pal  
Joal McCluskey.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like for you to bring a walking talking doll. Also a record player for me. And my little brother Garey two guns and holsters also a big tool chest and a pound a peg bench. And for my baby sister Teresa a baby buggy and twin dolls.

And Santa Claus bring my little cousins in England lots of pretty things. Also Nanny and Granddad Burke.

Thank you very much. We love you.

Rita, Garey and Teresa

Dear Santa:

Would you please bring me a doll and buggy. I would like a set of dishes to.

Don't forget all the other little girls and boys Santa. I

am four years old. Don't forget my sister and brother, also mother and dad.

I love you Santa.

Yvone Rushing.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a bicycle with one big front wheel and one big back wheel with two little back wheels. Be sure and remember all the other boys and girls.

Love  
Cynthia Parker



The greatest gift is given again  
on Christmas Day;

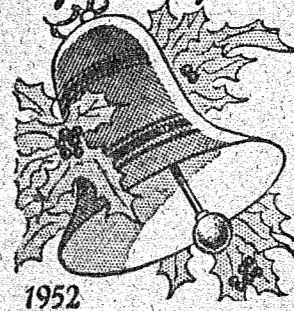


may this new  
Yuletide bring joy  
and faith abundant.

1952

**Banner Dairies**

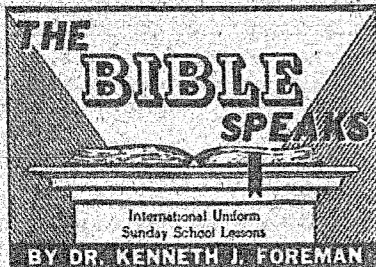
*Greetings!*



*A bright and merry  
Christmas to our friends  
and neighbors.*

**City Of Santa Anna**

AND ITS EMPLOYEES



SCRIPTURE: Matthew 2.  
DEVOTIONAL READING: Jeremiah 27:13-6.

**Gifts to Christ**

Lesson for December 28, 1952

WHAT the world brings to Christ is never to be compared with what Christ brings to the world. Not all the Christmas gifts that ever were, including those given to the cause and in the name of Jesus, equal a small part of the value of Jesus himself to the world. Nevertheless, ever since the time of the wise men from the east, gifts have been brought and laid at the feet of Christ, in one way or another.

**Wisdom**

Many treasures of wisdom, through these 19 centuries, have been poured out for the Master's service. Not that men can make God wise; but the wisdom and learning of mankind can be, and have been, put at the disposal of Christ and his cause. To take one fact alone: the translation of the Bible into hundreds of languages throughout the world. The work of translating can never stop, because languages keep changing; the English and the French of this century are not the same as they were centuries ago, and Bibles translated for those times become hard to understand in our day.



Dr. Foreman

Not that a new English translation is needed every few years; but somewhere, all the time, into some language or other, this work is being carried on. It is no simple job; a translator must not only know Greek and Hebrew, but also, and very thoroughly, the language into which he translates. Most good translations are made by groups, for many heads are better than one, at this work.

When we add to the work of the translators all that other scholars have done, all the brain work that has gone into the printing and binding of the books and distributing them in many ways; we can see what the devotion of intellectual

talents has meant, through the centuries, to the Christian religion.

**Wealth**

Think what a difference it would make, if suddenly every Christian in the world decided that the Lord's work could get along just as well without being offered another cent. No new churches would be built; existing churches would fall into decay because no one would pay for their repair (and free labor wouldn't do it, because that too is a form of wealth). Home and foreign missions would come to an end. Christian schools, hospitals and colleges would close down. No Christian books of any kind could be printed. Radio religious broadcasts would cease, because there would not be any one to pay for them, and even the "free" time, which always costs the station something, could no longer be offered.

**From Each His Own**

Christianity is today an international religion, though it started off as the religion of a few Asiatic Jews. But Jesus was scarcely out of his cradle before those men of the East came, and they were the first of a long line from every nation and race in the world.

In America we think of Christianity as almost an American religion; but it is not. Americans have brought much to Christianity, —their energy, daring, pioneering spirit, their practical slant on everything,—these have given to Christianity in North America a "color" and a "style" all its own.

But we are not the only Christians, perhaps not even the best ones. There are Indian Christians, and Chinese Christians; there are Christians among the Eskimos and Zulus. There is some Christianity behind the Iron Curtain; it is found in Scotland, Sweden, Spain, El Salvador.

And while we are all brothers under the skin, the fact remains that it takes all kinds of Christians to make the Christian world, and to make the world Christian. Our missionaries do not go out to make American Christians; they go to make Christians. And every one who comes to Christ brings something which is specially his own.

As Rev. John Monsell's hymn has it:

"Fear not to enter His courts in the slenderness  
Of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine;  
Truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness,  
These are the offerings to lay on His shrine."

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Christmas gifts to stores for exchange is now upon us. Most business establishments are as cooperative as possible about this annual American pastime, but before getting into any arguments with a reluctant clerk or manager, better take a look at the legal situation involved. You may find that persuasion is more in order than demands for adjustment.

Department stores are under no legal obligation to take back a purchase and refund your money or deliver other goods in exchange just because you changed your mind. Most stores do make refunds and exchanges, but that is because it is their policy to do so — not because

**Cleveland News**

By MRS. MANLEY F. BLANTON

TRICKHAM ROUTE  
SANTA ANNA, TEXAS  
PHONE 3705



Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Blanton and Tommie, Mrs. William Anderson and Kay left Monday to spend Christmas in Pecos with their children.

Miss Mary Lou Clark of Fort Worth spent the week end with her family returning to Fort Worth Sunday night.

they are required to, according to the State Bar of Texas.

However, a promise to refund or exchange merchandise made by the store or the salesman should be honored. Similarly, if a store misrepresents the quality of certain goods or if the goods are defective, you are justified in expecting a satisfactory adjustment. But you have no more legal right to expect a store to refund or exchange because you change your mind about a purchase than the store has to ask you to give back the goods that were sold to you because it did not want to sell them after all.

Suppose you buy a coat in one store and find that another company has it on sale for five dollars less. Must the store where you bought it take back the coat and give you a refund, or refund the difference in price? The seller is under no obligation to refund the difference, any more than he could make you pay the difference if he discovered that a competitor offered the same coat at a higher price than he had charged for it. Usually the seller is permitted to set his own price, but ceiling prices and other regulations restrict this right in some lines.

Much the same rules apply to the refund of deposits. Unless it is the policy of a store to refund deposits on articles, or at least apply the amount on the purchase of some other item, the buyer is obligated to go through with the terms of the contract, even though he has changed his mind about the purchase.

When one selects, orders, and deposits money on the purchase of an article, the store is under obligation to deliver the article in accordance with the terms of the sale. If the buyer refuses to accept the article or pay the remainder of the purchase price, the seller can take legal action against him, according to the terms of the contract.

The same principles apply to a trade-in allowance on used merchandise towards the purchase of a new article. Such a trade-in allowance is considered the same as a deposit.

(This column, based on Texas law, is written to inform — not advise. No person should ever apply or interpret any law without the aid of an attorney who knows the facts because the facts may change the application of the law.)

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Knutson of Brooksmith were business visitors in Coleman Wednesday and took dinner with Mrs. Drisco Woods.

Mrs. C. T. Moore visited Friday evening with Mrs. Bernice Scott in Santa Anna.

Miss Patsy Moore spent Wednesday night with Jo Ann McClellan.

Mrs. Robert Clifton spent Friday evening visiting with Mrs. Neve, her mother, and Mrs. Drisco Woods.

Sgt. Jack Nevt of Germany came in Saturday to visit his mother, who has been very ill at her daughter's home, Mrs. Drisco Woods.

Mr. and Mrs. Clesby Starnes of San Angelo visited over the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cupps.

Here's wishing all the News staff a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**More Farm Machinery Rusts Out Than Wears Out**

Now is the time for farmers to take especial heed of an old saying agricultural engineers have: "More farm machinery rusts out than wears out!"

Farmers today have more money per acre invested in machinery than ever before. This fact alone will make the thrifty owner want to go beyond routine lubrication winterizing and seek full protection against rust and corrosion.

A minimum step in this direction is to use rust-preventive compound or oil or grease on plow, disk, and cultivator — on those parts of implements that work in the soil.

Machinery, of course, should be stored. Before doing so, don't forget to check the roof of the shed for leaks. It is good storage practice to put planting, cultivating, and harvesting equipment in different sections of the shed when possible.

Chains that operate in dust have a high vulnerability to rust. To lengthen their lives, sound practices say they should be removed, rinsed in kerosene, dipped in oil, and stored in dry places.

No winterizing operation should neglect draining, flushing and refilling of gear boxes with fresh oil. The pressure grease gun should be used on all bearings.

To farmers who begrudge a few hours out of their entire year for rust prevention, the American Petroleum Institute suggests a mental flashback to 1934. A typical ten-horse farm, studies then showed, took more than 3½ months out of one man's working year for stable duties and chores in feeding and caring for draft animals.

For added steps in rust prevention, consult your petroleum tank truck driver, implement dealer, or county agent. Any one

of them can direct you to manuals of oil and implement companies which contain much helpful advice.

Some of these radio announcers should change their line and frankly say: "Due to conditions beyond our control, we present the program originally scheduled for this time."

**GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY**

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To All The Surrounding Communities And Your Civic Organizations  
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**Holiday Season's GREETINGS**

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## Raymond Steward Writes Parents From Germany

(NOTE: Following is a letter received by Mr. and Mrs. Ray Steward of Rockwood from their son, Raymond, soon after he arrived in Germany in August.)

August 2, 1952  
Sonthofen, Germany

Dear folks:

How are you? Everything o. k. Pretty good here. Sure is pretty country. Well, the last time I wrote anything to you was about a mile from the White Cliffs of Dover. The Cliffs sure were pretty, but I have seen a lot of things Germany has sure got pretty farming land.

We landed in Bremerhaven about 9:00 Thursday morning, and we had to stay on the ship until about 6:00 or 8:30 that evening. They unloaded the men ever so often and it just so happened that we were nearly the last ones off. We were the last ones to get to this camp. We left Bremerhaven about 7:00 by train. You ought to have seen that train. The cars are about

half as long as the ones in the U. S. Some of the passenger cars were pretty long, but they liked a lot being as modernized as ours.

We rode on the train until Friday evening about 7:00. I don't know how many miles it was, but we are in the southern-most part of Germany. We are about 10 miles from Austria and about 30 miles from Switzerland. So we went from one end of Germany to the other. And every inch of the land is put into something that will produce. This country sure is thickly populated, and the people long years ago made little villages, you know about 10 to 30 families went together and built their houses pretty close together. It is just a little town and the villages are pretty close together. Even the cities aren't very far apart. That train would stop at every little town and it was stopped more than it was running.

All the way from Bremerhaven to Wardbury the land was level, and the prettiest farms you ever saw. The way they farm is about 3 rows of oats, 3 rows of peas. They even fit up like that in about 5 different crops, and they do all of their work by hand.

Anyway the northern part did all their work by hand. They cut all of the grain by hand and bundled it by hand. They would take about 3 or 4 stalks of grain and wrap it around the bundle and the way they shock it is funny. They take some sticks and tie the top of three of them together, make a Tee-Pee out of them, and then stack the grain around the sticks, so it can get a lot of air, air out good. What was so peculiar was nearly all of the people working were women from about 40 to 65 years of age. We saw a lot of times, 2 women hauling in hay with a team of oxen and an old wagon with wooden wheels, the wheels didn't have a steel rim on the outer edge.

We also saw a lot of dairies up in the northern part. Nice looking cows and they were fat.

Now in the southern part, the American Zone, from Wansbury down here, was all in good shape. They had bigger farms and a good many tractors. Course it was a little more hilly and rough country. They have a lot of timber too. There was a valley about 100 miles long right out of Wansbury, and a big river ran through it, and all up on the hillside was farming. You could look a way up, real steep grades and see stripes of barley, oats, vetch, beets, asparagus and a lot of fruit trees. And all of the grain was just being harvested, and all the other crops were real green. Boy it sure was pretty. This river, I don't know what the name of it was, but they had rocked all of the bank. The rocks were sorta pink. There was a lot of industry along the river. Geese, ducks, and fish could be seen also. The track was right along the river, and we also saw a cement factory.

This Army Camp here is just a replacement center for the American Zone. I guess there are about 9 buildings. The average building in the camp is about 200 feet wide and anywhere from 200 to 400 yards long. This place is called the Burg. It is right in the center of the Boverian Alps. The town close to it is Sonthofere. It is not very big, but you can see four little villages on the hillside around here. Sonthofere is right in the center of about 7 or 8 big mountains. Every direction you look, you have to look up to see the sky.

There sure is a lot of dairy cows around here, and this is sort of a vacation playground for Germany. You see little lakes and green pastures and a lot of timber right at the top of the mountains. Most of the land around here is grazing land for

cattle.

Burg, the name of this camp, used to be a youth center. Used to be a big high school. These buildings are about 5 stories underground and tunnels everywhere. These tunnels are real long. Some of them go all the way through these mountains. Hitler used it as a training camp for officers. I don't know but I think it used to be a concentration camp. There is a lot of industry for prisoners to do. They won't let us go down to the bottom, guess we would run off. Some of them would probably.

Oh yeah, I knew I was nearly forgetting something. All of the houses are either made of brick or plaster, guess it gets too cold for wooden frames and nearly everybody rides a bicycle. There are not very many cars and trucks. They have a lot of railroads though.

I guess the war set the people back a lot because they sure are behind our times a lot. On an average about 10 or 15 years. I just wish you could see this country. I can't tell you in words how it really is, but it is marvelous how these people live, and kinda pitiful too. I am just going to have to take some pictures of it so you can get the idea. Guess I had better close, running out of paper. Write to me, I will write you again soon.

Love,  
Raymond

Sgt./lc George V. Wallace, is now stationed at Ft. Campbell, Ky., after visiting here with the home folks upon returning from overseas. He was for a while, at a replacement center in San Antonio, before going to Kentucky.

Mrs. Alfred Williams received four letters on Wednesday of last week from her son, Pvt. J. N. Williams at Camp Roberts, California. His basic training will be completed December 24th. He is not sure he will get to come home for the holidays. As his next assignment, he will attend a supply school in San

Francisco.

Some day we'd like to have a bed that's twelve feet long and ten feet wide. And don't tell us that's a lot of bunk.

When ma says that pa hammers nails like lightning it doesn't necessarily mean that he's fast; could be that he just never hits twice in the same spot.



## Yuletide Greetings

In the spirit of the herald angels who caroled "Glory to the New Born King," we extend our sincerest Christmas wishes to you and those you hold dearest.

**Hugh Capps Studio**  
Coleman, Texas

## Deck the Halls.



Let the bells ring forth and proclaim to all that it's Christmas... a time to rejoice. And let our Christmas message to you ring forth with each peal of the bells...

**Merry  
Christmas**

**Lois Henderson Laundry**

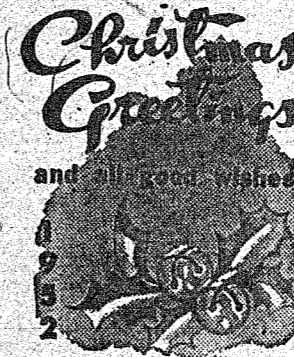


Season's  
Best Wishes  
The peace and  
happiness of  
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**CARD OF THANKS**

I wish to take this method of expressing my sincere appreciation to my friends for your thoughtfulness during my recent illness. Especially do I want to thank you for the cards, flowers, gifts and for the many who visited with me. May God bless each of you.  
Mrs. Arch Hull 1tc.

**SPECIAL NOTICES**

**Notice of Stockholders Meeting**  
Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Santa Anna National Bank, Santa Anna, Texas, will be held at the office of said Bank on the 13th day of January 1953 at 2:00 P. M. for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.  
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**LEGAL NOTICES**

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION  
THE STATE OF TEXAS**  
TO: Gilbert Blue McMahan  
Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable 119th District Court of Coleman County at the Court House thereof, in Coleman, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 21st day of January A. D. 1953, then and there answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 2nd day of December A. D. 1952, in this cause, numbered 7651-B on the docket of said court and styled Gene McMahan Plaintiff, vs. Gilbert Blue McMahan Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit:

That the defendant was extremely jealous, and often accused plaintiff with associating with other women for immoral purposes, and was guilty of harsh, cruel and tyrannical treatment of plaintiff to the extent that such acts injured her health, compelling her to leave defendant, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Coleman, Texas this 3rd day of December A. D. 1952.

Attest: T. H. Corder, Clerk,  
District Court, Coleman, Texas

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO  
MAKE MINERAL LEASE**  
No. 2071

**IN THE COUNTY COURT OF  
COLEMAN COUNTY, TEXAS:**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE  
ESTATE OF HAROLD GLENN  
CHAMBERS, A MINOR:**

**TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED  
IN THE ABOVE MINOR OR  
HIS ESTATE:**

You are hereby notified that I have on the 19th day of December A. D. 1952, filed with the County Clerk of Coleman County, Texas, an application under oath for authority to make an oil and gas lease to Hickok & Reynolds Royalty Company, of Cisco, Texas, as Lessee, on all of the right, title and interest of said Minor in and to 107 acres of land, more or less, out of the east part of Block No. 12 of the A. White 4605 acre tract grant of land in Brown and Coleman Counties, Texas, fully described by metes and bounds in the deed from Overall Memorial Hospital to Walter R. Chambers, dated January 12, 1945, recorded in Vol. 332, page 409 Brown County, Texas, Deed Records here referred to; That Honorable Walter K. Boyd, County Judge of Coleman County, Texas, on the 19th day of December A. D. 1952 duly entered his order designating the 9th day of January A. D. 1953 at ten o'clock A. M., in the County Court room in the courthouse as the time, and place when and where such application would be held and such application will be heard at such time and place.

Weldon Chambers  
Guardian of the Estate of Harold Glenn Chambers, Minor.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt Smith and children from Carlsbad, New Mexico are here visiting in the A. B. Little and Bill Pritchard homes. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hampton and Walter from Jackson, Alabama came Sunday to visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pritchard. They left Tuesday to visit with Mr. Hampton's people at Arch, New Mexico and will return here before the week end.

W. H. Blake of Biloxi, Miss., where he is a civilian instructor in a radio school, came Sunday for a Christmas visit, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Blake and Dan, Jr.

**Span of Life Increases  
Over The Nation**

Austin — Death won't cloud holiday festivities in as many Texas homes this year as in seasons past.

By and large, public health is at a higher level today than ever before, statistics compiled by the State Department of Health show.

The result is that more parents are alive to be with their children, for maternal deaths have been reduced by 88 per cent in the last 15 years. And more children are alive and vital, anticipating the sacred day we call Christmas, because infant deaths have been cut by 46 per cent.

Life is longer today than ever before, not just in Texas, but the nation over. It used to be that a man of 50 years was in his twilight years. Today a 50-year-old is merely middle aged.

"We take a lot of pride in our progress," State Health Officer Geo. W. Cox said, "but there is no end to improvements yet to be made. It's always this way when you deal with the problems that control the health of people."

Dr. Cox, who has been directing the state public health program since 1936, is fond of pointing out that "health is a purchasable commodity."

His tenure has brought the construction of more facilities for public health than any other combination of preceding administrations. Pursuing a policy of decentralization, 47 local health center buildings have been built and staffed throughout the state.

One of the most striking gains has been made against typhoid fever. Deaths due to this cause has been cut by 98 per cent in the last decade. A reduction of 95 per cent has been registered against diphtheria, 64 per cent against tuberculosis, and 96 per cent against pellagra.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Wagner of Ozona, where both are teaching, came last Friday for a holiday visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Overby. They will also visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Silas Wagner at Brownwood.

What we can't understand is how nature takes care of things, even though they may happen years and years later. For instance, look how our nose and ears are located, just to hold spectacles.

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Rick Barnard and boys of O'Brien were week end visitors with her parents, Elder and Mrs. C. H. Richards and Ellen. Other members of the family expected to visit in the Richards home Christmas are Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Barnard of O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Richards of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Butcher of Ackerly.

Alice Anna Guthrie is here from Sherman, to visit during the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Guthrie, Sr.

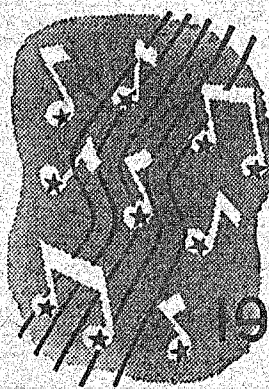
Mary Mills, who teaches at Seminole, is here visiting through the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mills.

Use the News want ads. They get results

Mr. and Mrs. Ford Barnes went to Dallas Sunday to meet their son, Dr. James Q. Barnes of Seattle, Washington, who arrived there by plane. He will remain for Christmas. He attends a school of Orthodontia in Seattle.

You can bet a dollar to a doughnut today without giving such big odds.

**HAPPY  
HOLIDAY**



May your heart  
sing with the  
true joy of  
Christmas time.

1952

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**Hosch Grocery Store**  
**Hosch Furniture Co.**

**Trickham Home Dem. Club Has Annual Christmas Party**

Mrs. Harry Wilson and Mrs. Oscar Boenicke were hostesses for the annual Christmas party for the Trickham Home Demonstration Club Thursday, December 18, at the Club Room.

After a short business session with Mrs. Wilson in charge, Christmas carols were led by Mrs. Boenicke and Mrs. Wilson read the Christmas Story. The Christmas theme was carried out in all the decorations and pretty lighted Christmas tree was used for the gift exchange. Mrs. Wilson also led the group in recreation.

After the gift exchange, refreshments of Christmas cookies and spice tea was served to the following ladies: Mmes. Jack Dockery, Buck Mitchell, Charlie Fleming, I. E. Williams, Bond Featherston, Clara Cupps, Fred Haynes, Albert Dean, Joyce Cupps, Harry Wilson, Lorene Rice, Oscar Boenicke and Miss Winell Rice.

—Reporter

**Christian Church Women Have Delightful Day**

On Wednesday, December 17th the Woman's Council of the First Christian Church, met in the church annex for a Christmas dinner, gift exchange and program.

Mrs. L. O. Garrett, chairman, arranged the menu and was assisted by Mrs. John Scott and Mrs. J. R. Gipson in arranging and decorating the house and making the decorations for the tables. Mrs. Charles Moseley and Charlotte did some special decorating. The front door spray and piano decorations. The latter made by Charlotte, portrayed Santa Claus and a group of reindeer. Also there were snow men and other figures carved of block snow, all based on a long block of the snow.

The dinner consisted of most all the foods you would expect to see at Christmas, was very colorful and much enjoyed.

Following the meal there was a gift exchange from a decorated tree. Mrs. Bill Pritchard was in charge of receiving and distribution of gifts.

The Christmas program began by singing Silent Night, followed by the reading of Luke's account of Christ's birth, by Mrs. E. H. Wylie. Mrs. Gipson read an appropriate prayer and Mrs. Norval Wylie told "What Became

of the Gifts the Wise Men Brought." The program was interspersed with appropriate selections on a record player. The meeting was dismissed by repeating the organization's benediction. Others present besides the above mentioned were: Mrs. Preston Bailey, Mrs. Oscar Boenicke, Mrs. Doug Moore, Mrs. Clifford Stephenson, Mrs. Paul Bivins, Mrs. Jess Griffith, Mrs. A. E. Campbell, Mrs. Walter Sharp, Mrs. George Richardson, Mrs. Lovell Richardson, Mrs. A. L. Oder and Mrs. C. F. Walker, also one visitor, Mrs. P. B. Snook of Coleman.

**Home Demonstration Club Has Annual Christmas Party**

The Home Demonstration Club met at noon, December 19th in the home of Mrs. Edd Jones, for the annual Christmas dinner and meeting.

The yule logs burning in the big fireplace were a welcome sight on entering and decorations were in keeping with the season. Mother Stanley presented an orchid corsage to each one.

The food, in wide variety and expertly cooked, came up to home demonstration standards, and was enjoyed by all.

For the meeting, Mrs. Clifford Stephenson presided over a short business session and appointed members to special duties. The New Year Books were distributed. Mrs. Vanderford conducted recreation. Mrs. Louis Zachary, program chairman, was in charge of the program. "Jingle Bells" and other songs were sung. Ellen Richards read an appropriate poem. There was a discussion of "Legends and Customs of Other Lands" and our own, and Mrs. Weed our county agent, read "The Innkeepers Lament".

After the program we heard a commotion on the stairs. It was Santa Claus, very jolly, who gave fruit and candy to all and helped to distribute gifts from the lovely tree.

Members present besides those mentioned were: Mrs. John Perry, Mrs. Doug Moore, Mrs. J. F. Goen, Mrs. Arthur Talley and Mrs. A. L. Oder. Visitors were: Mrs. Weed, Miss Manda Shaefer, and Mrs. Preston West.

Friends of Mrs. Bill Griffin are glad to know she is back from Ft. Worth, where she was for more than a week, taking treatments.

**T. E. L. Class Has Christmas Party**

The T. E. L. Class of the First Baptist Church met on Thursday evening, December 11th, in the home of Miss Lillie Hosch, for their Christmas party.

Several Christmas carols were sung by the group, after which the Christmas Story was brought by Mrs. Carl Ashmore.

All enjoyed several games and a Bible contest, after which gifts were exchanged from a beautifully decorated tree.

Refreshments of fruit cake and cocoa were served to the following: Mesdames Dovie Chapman, Neely Evans, Burl Sparkman, Walter Ferguson, J. L. Boggus, J. J. Horner, Sam Rutherford, Lester Newman, Carl Ashmore, Emzy Brown, Ed Moore, Fred Rollins, Carl Williams, D. R. Hill, John Brown, Lewis Newman, Clarence Gray, J. E. Howington and Misses

Wanda Duggins, Lillie Hosch and Alta Lovelady.

**Loyalty Class Has Christmas Social**

The Loyalty Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church had their Christmas social Tuesday afternoon, December 16th in the home of Mrs. John Pearce. All enjoyed a Bible quiz and other features of entertainment.

Christmas gifts were exchanged and names were drawn for secret pals for another year.

Refreshments were served to class members, Mrs. W. E. Wallace, Mrs. G. B. Smith, Mrs. J. E. Watkins, Mrs. J. W. Fulton, Mrs. Tom Newman, Mrs. Maud Smith, Mrs. W. A. Brandon, Mrs. J. J. Gregg, Mrs. Pearce and two visitors, Mrs. Charlie Cason and Mrs. Annie Taylor.

"The Old Lady of New York Harbor" is the Statue of Liberty.

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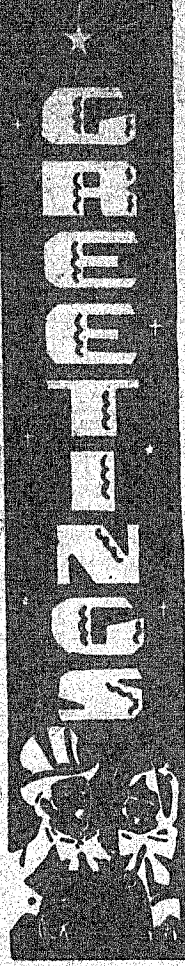
We Wish To Announce The Sale Of Our Store To Mr. Harry Dobbins and Mr. Ben Davis of Abilene, Texas. We Are Retaining Our Hatchery And Will Have It Located At Our Turkey Farm.

We Wish To Express Our Heartfelt Thanks To Our Customers For The Many Favors And Acts Of Kindness That You Have Shown Us In The Many Years We Have Been In Business. We Want You To Know That In The Future, If We Can Be Of Service To You In Any Way, Just Call On Us.

We Will Appreciate Any Consideration That You May Give Our Successors, And You May Feel Assured That You Will Receive Excellent Service And Fair And Honest Treatment.

Best Wishes For A Merry Christmas And A Happy New Year.

Doris and Bill Griffin



## A Christmas Wish To Our Friends

Merriment aplenty,  
a full stocking and  
a full and happy  
heart, peace and  
happiness and fellow-  
ship in the fullest  
measure. May it all  
come true to you.

### Happy New Year!

Speck's Barber Shop

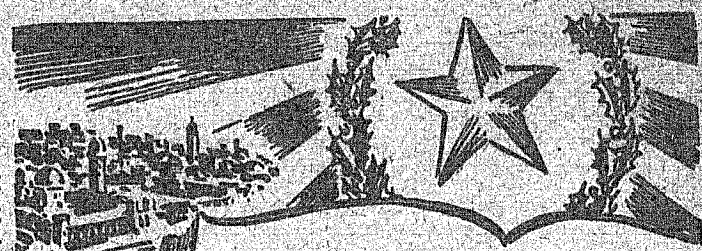


## Holiday Greetings

May the true spirit of  
the First Christmas shine  
brightly in the hearts  
of you and your family  
today and every day.



Mathews Motor Co.



## Christmas Greetings

TO YOU  
AND YOURS

This Christmas Season, we extend  
our sincere wishes for Happiness  
that will long outlast the tinsel and  
the tree . . . and live on in your  
hearts through all the days  
and years to come.

We Appreciate Your Patronage

Payne's Variety

### Charles Caldwell Writes from France

(NOTE: This is a portion of a letter received by Mr. and Mrs. Ray Caldwell of Rockwood, from their son, T/Sgt. and Mrs. Charles Caldwell, who are in France.)

We had a wonderful vacation even if it did rain most of the time. We left here the 30th of August and went to Paris. We stayed there from Saturday until Tuesday. Donita got sick in Paris with stomach upset and we thought we would have to come back home then, but she got alright so we went on. In Paris we visited a lot of old famous places and took pictures and then visited Versailles which is the big castle the kings and queens lived in. It was very elegant with gold plated furnishings and all the beautiful paint-

ings. We saw the table where the Treaty of Versailles was signed to end World War I. We left Tuesday afternoon for Brussels, Belgium and arrived there that night. Belgium is a beautiful clean country and we were surprised that everyone we talked to could speak English. We stayed there only one night. The next morning we spent seeing the town and took some pictures and that afternoon we left. That night we stayed at Cologne, Belgium. We had a lovely room with bath that night. We had nice clean hotels all the trip, but few hotels have many rooms with private baths. When we got to Paris, we stayed at the Ellyses Palace, off the Champs Ellyses Blvd. as we had made reservations before we left here and had a bath. We really enjoyed the bath as bathe in a No. 3 here.

We left Cologne for Luxemburg and arrived there around noon. We had lunch and then

went to the Military Cemetery to visit Douglas' grave. We got lots of good pictures of Patton's grave, Douglas' grave and the cemetery. It is so nice there. They keep it so clean and neat. At the present they are placing marble headstones at each grave and laying drainage pipes. We spent quite a while there and then left for Germany. We saw beautiful country that afternoon. We traveled along the Rhine River all the way. We got to Weisbaden that evening a little after dark. We located a hotel and then made a bee-line for the American snack bar for some American chow. We got so tired of this foreign food. We stayed in Weisbaden from Thursday until Sunday. We spent our time shopping at American P. X.'s, going to shows, eating and sight seeing. Everything is right there in the town. We bought some clothes and toys etc., at the P.X. We took quite a few pictures there also.

We left Sunday for Switzerland and dug out the winter clothes. It was lovely there, we spent that night in the Alps, surrounded by mountains in an old fashioned Inn, a type of hotel.

They were very nice to us in Switzerland. We left the next morning driving to Lousanne and then on to Geneva. Lake Geneva is a beautiful place. We got several good pictures of it. We stopped at the lake and visited there a while and then went across the border into France. We stayed that night in the French Alps and came on home the next day. We really enjoyed visiting and seeing all those places. We took eight rolls of films on our vacation but we are not in many of them. We took pictures of things we saw mostly.

They thought he was so kind to send his wife away for a rest, until he said: "Goodness knows I needed it!"

### This Is Season When "Flu" Is Most Prevalent

This is the season of the year when influenza or "flu" is most prevalent, according to Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer. Colds, grippe, influenza, whatever we may call them, are believed to be spread from person to person through discharges from the nose and throat. To protect yourself and others from such disease, here are some things to be remembered:

Influenza is highly infectious. Practically everybody is susceptible to it. No matter how many times you have had the disease you may contact it again. Therefore, keep away from people who are sneezing, coughing, or sniffing or who are actively ill with colds, influenza, or pneumonia. Keep away from crowded places. Have your own towel and always wash your hands before eating,

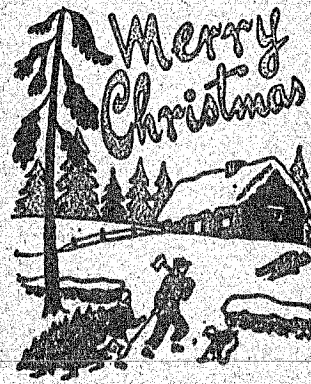
and sneeze or cough into your handkerchief.

Keep fit by drinking plenty of water, by eating simple nourishing food, by some exercise out of doors every day, by dressing according to the weather, by having plenty of sleep in a well ventilated room, and by keeping the bowels regulated.

Don't neglect your "cold." If you have the slightest suspicion of fever go home, go to bed immediately and call your physician. Stay in bed until he tells you that you can get up, and follow his advice explicitly.

Disastrous results may ensue if influenza cases are allowed to get about too soon. Persons convalescing from influenza are particularly susceptible to other infections. If you are just getting over some illness, return to your normal routine of life gradually.

Apparently the guys who take cold showers every morning just wash your hands before eating, do so to brag about it.



Our sincere good  
wishes go out  
to you.

1952

E. E. (Coot) BLANTON  
Phillips 66 Service Station

## A Merry Merry

# Christmas

Christmas is more than  
"Santa and a Tree" . . .  
to all it brings a message  
of peace and good will . . .  
and it is in this spirit  
that we extend our sincere  
greetings to you and your family.

B. T. Vinson  
GROCERY and FEED



Christmas  
Greetings:

May the joys of the season  
be an everyday possession  
for the whole year. This  
is our wish for you.



Blue Hardware Co.



### Trickham News

By MRS. BUCK MITCHELL

This community received about an inch of rain last Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bearden and children are here visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Key Bradley.

Carey Williams and father of Coleman visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Buck Mitchell.

Misses Mary Catherine and Olive Elva Fellers of Ft. Worth came in Saturday. Mary Catherine returned to Ft. Worth Saturday night and Ollie Elva remained for a longer visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Fellers.

Mr. and Mrs. Coter Fellers visited Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Craig. Other visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Craig during the past week were: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dobson, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Smith and Don all of Talpa and Mr. and Mrs. Buck Mitchell.

Sorry to report Robert Stearns has been on the sick list again. Here is hoping he is doing better.

Miss Patsy McIver of Dallas is spending the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernice McIver.

Quite a number from here attended the play given by the lower grades of the Santa Anna school last Thursday night.

Miss Lea Mitchell of Howard Payne came home last Saturday afternoon to spend the holidays.

Also Mrs. Lois Haynes Wallace of Abilene is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haynes.

Those from here that attended the Christmas Pageant at the Santa Anna High School Auditorium last Tuesday evening thought it was very very pretty.

The Trickham Home Demonstration Club had their Christmas tree and party at the club room last Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Laughlin and Jackie Ray of Brownwood visited in the Laughlin home

here Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Will Haynes were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Ford.

Mrs. Beula Kingston was a luncheon guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stacy Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bond Feathers-ton visited Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Boenicke and Mrs. Shield Sunday.

Mrs. Kingston spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. Shield while Mr. and Mrs. Boenicke went to Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Shield and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Carsin of Anchorage, Alaska, visited with his mother, Mrs. C. F. Shield and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Boenicke Thursday afternoon. Charlie is here in interest of some oil wells he is putting down, but left Friday to spend Christmas with his daughter and her family in Florida.

The directors of the cemetery association met one night last week in the Oscar Boenicke home.

A group of children with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stacy, Mrs. Will Haynes, Mrs. Wiley McClatchy and Mrs. Marion Ford, visited in the homes of Mrs. C. F. Shield, Mrs. Lee Vaughn, Mrs. R. S. Stearns Sunday afternoon distributing fruit, nuts, candy and sang Christmas carols, leaving Trickham they drove to the rest home in Bangs and put on the same program there. Mrs. W. A. Featherston, a patient at the home, formerly of Trickham, thinks she will be able to return to her home in Santa Anna soon.

In closing here is wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mrs. Imogene Bland of Grandford was visiting with Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Penny early last week and attended the O. E. S. banquet with them on Monday night at Masonic Hall.

We couldn't understand how he kept so fat, when everyone said he ate like a bird, until we discovered he ate a peck at a time.

### Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus:

I'm Teddy Ford. I think I've been a pretty good boy. I want a football and a tool box with tools in it, I'd like a dump truck and a gun. Also an apple and bar of candy.

I'll leave you some pecan pie and a glass of milk so if you're hungry, you'll have something to eat.

Thank you for the stick of candy you gave me in Santa Anna.

I'm going to the church house to see you when you come there and I'm going to say a Christmas verse.

Bye Bye and Love  
Ted

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 4 years old and have tried to be a good little boy all year.

I want you to bring me a doll that cries so it can sleep with me. I also want a fix-it-all truck and a ranch set. Be sure and bring my two big brothers, Roland and Davy something too. Also all the other little boys and girls.

Thank you  
Harvey Ray Curry

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl three years old. I have been a pretty good little girl — so would like for you to bring me a tricycle, a doll, doll bed, a baton and a set of dishes. I also want some candy, fruit and nuts.

Santa, please don't forget my daddy, he is a soldier — and is in Japan. He was there last Christmas and still is — so please remember him, and bring him something good. And remember all the other boys and girls too.

A little friend,  
Barbara Wells.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a truck. Thank you.

Tommy Blanton

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Aldridge entertained Sunday, December 21st with a Christmas dinner in honor of their son, W. D. Aldridge of Kermit and Miss Ruth Havner of Midland.

Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Rip Mayo and children of Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Vanderford, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Pritchard and children of Santa Anna and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hampton and Walter of Jackson, Alabama.

Sgt. Doyle Williams from Lackland A. F. Base, San Antonio was a week end visitor with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Williams and Patty. Old friends, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Caffey of Abil-

ene visited with them Sunday and Mr. Jim Robbins was a dinner guest.

Miss Kathryn Baxter returned

home from Waco Sunday for a

part of Sunday and Nancy Jo

and Patsy were luncheon guests with Roberta on Sunday.

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY

# Christmas Greetings



Hope springs full in the hearts of men,  
for unto the world is born a Redeemer.

## Santa Anna Telephone Co.

# Season's Greetings:



We send our hearty greetings.

# Phillips Drug

# Merry Christmas

Like Santa, these words never grow old, but take on a richer meaning with each new Yuletide season.



# Santa Anna Silica Sand Co., Inc.

H. L. Markland, President

**Whon News**

By MRS. TOM RUTHERFORD

WHON, TEXAS

PLEASE LEAVE NEWS ITEMS AT WHON POST OFFICE



The Christmas program at the Baptist Church Sunday night was well attended, with a tree and also the appearance of Old Santa.

Rev. and Mrs. Haynes of Brownwood were here for services at the church Sunday and were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lovelady.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Will Fowler

and son of Austin were here briefly Sunday afternoon to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cozart. All were partaking of Christmas food in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Johnson of Rockwood. The Fowlers are driving a new Chevrolet.

Hilton Sherrod of A. C. C. in Abilene is here for the holidays with his mother, Mr. and Mrs. Wimpy Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Adkins and Vonnice left Saturday to spend Christmas with his parents and relatives at Mintola.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy England and children of College Station are here spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Gill. Roy will graduate from A. & M. around the 19th of January. The Englands are driving a new Mercury.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Switzer visited their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Klines and daughter of near Santa Anna Saturday.

Mrs. Ann Bryan and Francis are in Falfarrius with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Cooley for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Barker and Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Turner of Brady spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Avant and baby.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Deal and children spent Sunday with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Silar of Melvin. Mrs. Deal's mother, Mrs. Fannie Ellis is spending the week in the Deal home. Mr. and Mrs. Windell Winston were Sunday night guests in the Deal home. All attended the program at the Baptist Church Sunday night.

Lanita Bengé spent Sunday with Christine Barnes.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Wallace visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smith Sunday afternoon.

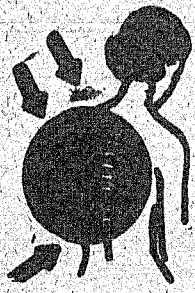
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Daniel Wheatley of Shield spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Riley McFarlin.

Earl Wright Gill of Howard Payne is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Gill.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Carter and son are here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Carter and Leon.

Mr. and Mrs. Amo Bowers of Doole and Mr. and Mrs. Babe Gardainer were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cozart Saturday night.

A Merry Christmas to all.



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**State Ass'n. Joins Campaign To Rid Texas Of "Sharks"**

Waco — An organization with several thousand members over Texas, the State Junior Chamber of Commerce, has thrown its support into the campaign to rid Texas of loan sharks through the enactment of a small loan law, similar to the legislation in effect in 30 states.

"The time has come for an all-out offensive", declared a resolution adopted at the convention here, because the need for such a statute is "serious and

immediate". Texas has become "the haven for loan sharks", the resolution stated, and people "who can least afford it are being deprived of millions of dollars annually in outrageous interest."

The legislature, which convenes in January, was urged to adopt the small loan bill approved by a special committee of the State Bar of Texas.

Making the small loan business

legitimate and respectable can be brought about, it was set forth, by legalizing a fair return to the lender and, at the same time, protecting the borrower through a law with "teeth and rigid enforcement." The resolution asserted:

"The ceiling on charges must be easily computed and without holes for subterfuge. Only persons with a reputation for honesty should be licensed to oper-

ate such a business, with severe restrictions being placed on those without license. Lenders should not be allowed to split loans and their charges on loan renewals should be especially limited. The borrower should be given an itemization of all charges."

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**LET'S TALK  
LIVESTOCK  
BY TED GOULDY**



Fort Worth — The year 1952 will long be remembered by livestock people as this year of the Great Drouth — but it will also be remembered as the year of the Big Break in Prices. Perhaps live stock prices have never before undergone such a drastic series of losses as have hit cattle and sheep prices simply because they had never been so high and had so far to fall previously.

At the start of 1952, cattle and sheep prices were still near their highest peak since OPA died in 1946. The speculative fever that had gripped the industry was still raging. It was "buy, buy,

buy" on the part of all interests and the bullish sentiment was spurred by government figures, as released, and statements from people in high places.

However, as the first quarter of 1952 unrolled it was very evident that change was in the air. We noted this changed feeling in our visits with farmers and ranchers in Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana. We discussed this new temper among the people with many men in many lines of business. There was a feeling of caution, a feeling of impending change which grew from the prolonged lack of progress in the Korean war and the exposure of many scandals in high places.

Livestock producers swung over to the selling side and for the first time in nearly a decade, more people wanted to sell than wanted to buy. The Great Drouth put spurs to this sentiment as the Summer progressed. The stage was set for a serious price collapse and it came in on schedule.

Speculators in livestock took to the sidelines, or took one drubbing after another, as prices continued to skid. The false bottom fell out of the badly inflated stocker and feeder price structure when Cornbelt and other buyers studied the previous year's losses and became cautious and very bearish buyers.

Strong suspicion was abroad in the land that while government estimators believed the cattle population was between 90 and 95 million head, that it was possible that the past eight years of steady stocking of farm pastures may have boosted this population well beyond the 100 million mark.

As Spring changed to Summer, prices lost ground steadily. At the close of this year of 1952, virtually all classes of livestock were selling many dollars per hundred below a year earlier and many steers going to market represented \$50 to \$100 per head losses. Many cows that had cost \$250 to \$325 a year ago for stocking purposes would currently bring half that.

Time alone will tell whether 1952 will be more famous for the Big Drouth, or for the bursting of the speculative bubble in livestock.

Some amusing, and some not so amusing, stories are cropping up in the drouth relief hay program. Seems that buyers for the government are having trouble getting as much hay as their orders call for. One rancher told us he had been informed it looked like it would be June or July before he could expect delivery. Says if he has to wait till then he'll be out of the cattle business. Another rancher said he ordered mixed grasses hay and imagine his surprise when he got a load of high grade alfalfa.

**Last Rites For  
J. S. McClain**

Funeral services were held in the Church of Christ at 2:30 p. m. on Sunday, December 14th, for J. S. McClain, long time resident of that community.

J. M. Copeland, Church of Christ minister, officiated at the services. Mr. McClain died on Saturday night in a Brady hospital after a long illness. He was 51 years old at time of death.

He is survived by the widow of Shield, also two sons, Varrel and Kenneth, also of Shield, and one daughter, Mrs. Sonny Baker of Gouldbusk.

He is also survived by two brothers and four sisters, Kinch and Roscoe McClain, Mrs. J. E. Jones, Mrs. J. S. Swearingen, Mrs. Roland Swearingen, and Mrs. T. B. Swearingen, all of whom live in San Angelo, also two grandchildren, other relatives and many friends. Mr. McClain was a nephew of Mr. W. L. Lewellen of Santa Anna.

You'd think some fellows were trying to pay their accounts twice, the way their checks come in and then bounce right back again.

Women have many faults, but men have only two — everything they say and everything they do.

Breathes there a man who does not think more of what he is about to say, than of what has been said to him.

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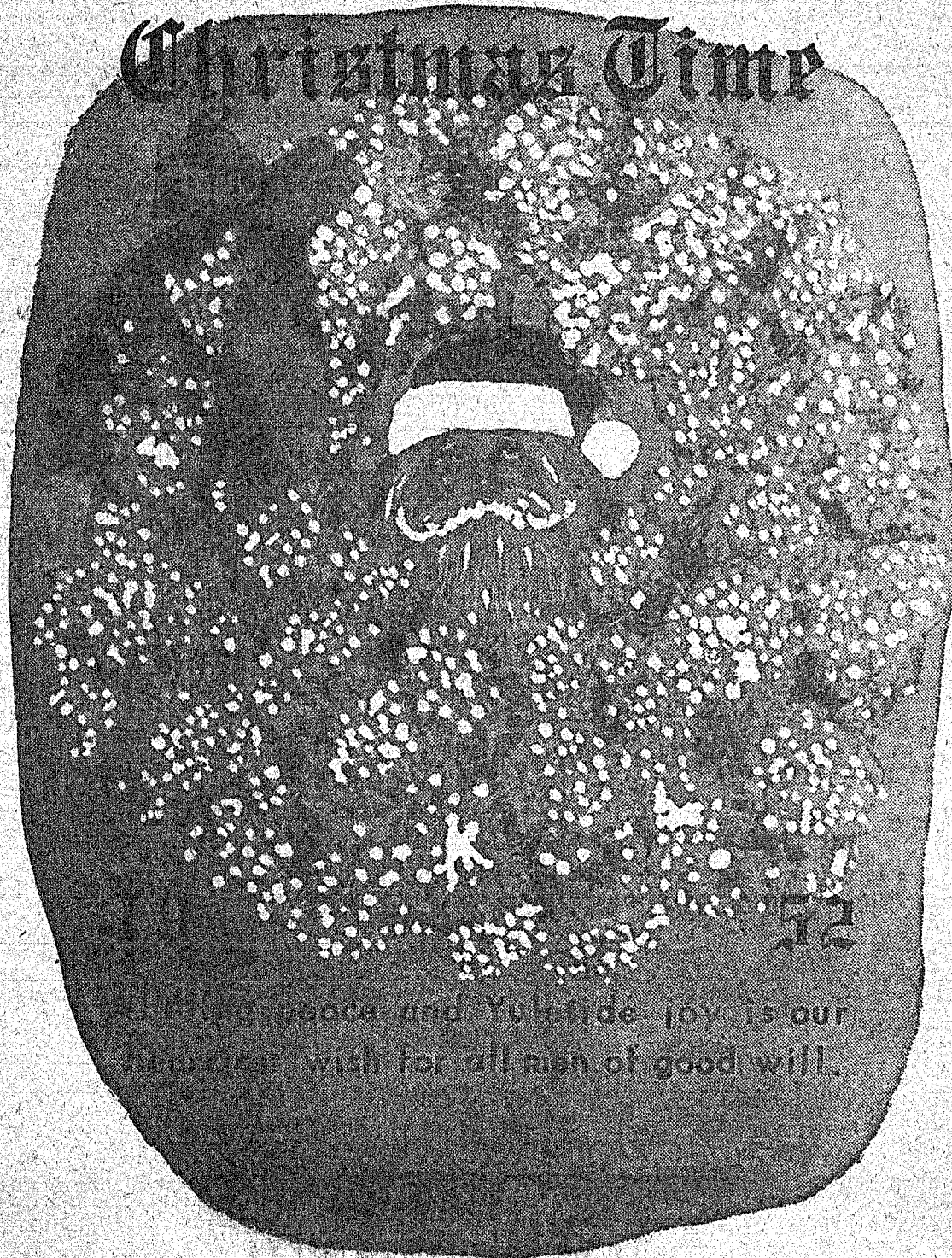
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**Happy New Year**

## Polio Vaccine Seen Near, After Fourteen-Year, \$16,000,000 Research

Polio is on the way to being defeated at last — after fourteen years of research by hundreds of scientists and at a cost of \$16,000,000 says Marguerite Clark in McCall's Magazine. A series of startling discoveries in the last two years has brought medical men to the point where it is only a matter of months before your child can be vaccinated permanently against this most terrifying disease of childhood. Writing in the January issue of the magazine, Mrs. Clark reviews the long research that has made this ultimate victory possible:

"For permanent protection, the researchers knew, a child must develop in his own blood enough of those mysterious agents called antibodies to fight the polio virus. This would mean a safe polio vaccine. The final goal then was to find a vaccine similar to that used against smallpox, yellow fever and diphtheria, that would create long-lasting immunity against all three strains of the polio virus.

"The National Polio Foundation's present-day research was centered on two kinds of vaccines, one made with a live polio virus and the other with a dead, or 'killed', virus that was powerless to infect the body but could still help it manufacture antibodies against the disease.

"Of all the experimental polio vaccines tested by the researchers the one made of the killed, or inactivated, virus was the most promising. This vaccine, which will be ready for human use soon, is the strongest weapon in the final assault against polio. The preliminary research on it has been conducted in the big laboratories of the University of Pittsburgh by Dr. Jonas E. Salk, a dynamic young bacteriologist.

"For many months Dr. Salk has tested the vaccine on monkeys and chimpanzees, injecting it into the muscles of the animals with heartwarming results. Even after live polio virus is fed to Dr. Salk's vaccinated animals they continue to show a solid immunity against polio.

"While Dr. Salk watches his chimps and monkeys in order to perfect the vaccine for human use, researchers in other laboratories are experimenting with polio vaccines of both the killed and live virus varieties.

"The first break in polio research that turned the tide from deep discouragement to swift success came at Harvard, where Dr. John E. Enders, a famous bacteriologist, succeeded, after four years of trying, in growing polio viruses in a test tube.

"The second break came at Yale University School of Medicine, where a simple and effective test for detecting polio infection and for determining immunity has recently been developed.

"Then last April, Dr. David Bodian (Johns Hopkins School of Medicine) and Dr. Dorothy Horstmann (Yale University)

came up with proof that the polio virus does enter the body through the mouth, traveling down through the digestive tract, and more significant, that the virus remains in the blood for a few days (sometimes as long as a week) before it attacks the spinal cord and brain. Here for the first time the polio fighters had proof that there was a time and a place to immunize a child against the disease before it enters the nervous system and causes paralysis.

"In their laboratory tests Drs. Bodian and Horstmann had helped monkeys and chimps to build up antibodies to the polio virus which they had been given by mouth by feeding them small, weak doses of gamma globulin.

"On the basis of the animal tests at Yale and Johns Hopkins, gamma globulin might be used to give children short-time immunity against polio paralysis while the virus lingered in their blood. Extensive tests were made in the summer of 1952 in Houston, Texas, and at Sioux City, but the results have not yet been tabulated.

"Meantime scientists are continuing their search for a surer and more practical way of protecting all people against all types of polio. One plausible suggestion is a double immunization against the disease, both long and short term. It might be possible to combine gamma globulin with a vaccine, getting immediate immunization with the GG shots and long-range immunization with the polio vaccine. A group of researchers now is investigating this dramatic possibility."

### METHODIST CANTATA WELL ATTENDED

There was a fine attendance at the First Methodist Church Sunday night when the church choir rendered the cantata, 'Child Jesus, by Clokey. Mrs. Arch Hunter, Mrs. Harry Crews, Sandra Shields, Lois Ann Shields and Barbara House were soloists. Elsie Lee Harper played the organ accompaniments.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy West and Mrs. Lois Henderson visited in Sweetwater Sunday. The Wests visited her sister, Mrs. E. E. Woods and children. Mrs. Henderson visited her son, Bob Henderson and family. Zelma, Sammie and Shirley Wood returned home with the Wests for a few days visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wells and son, James Lyndon, her mother, Mrs. E. N. Carpenter and Noble Carpenter and family visited Sunday at Lampasas with Carpenter relatives.

## Rockwood News

By MRS. JOHN C. HUNTER



ROCKWOOD, TEXAS

PHONE 1003

We regret to announce the death of Bill McSwane at San Angelo Sunday night. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time. (Monday morning) Mr. McSwane had been in a coma since suffering a stroke November 1st. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. McSwane of Rockwood.

Mrs. J. C. King is improving in the Santa Anna Hospital. Mr. Hyatt Moore is able to be at home and is improving.

Mrs. J. W. Box was admitted to Santa Anna Hospital Sunday night with pneumonia conditions.

Mrs. Carl Buttry was in San Angelo Friday to Sunday because of illness of her daughter, Mrs. Bob Halmon.

Mrs. Ethel Horton and son, Johnny Wayne, of Austin came Friday to spend the holidays with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey McSwane and Mr. and Mrs. Jake McCreary were visiting relatives in San Angelo during the week end.

Jim and Bob Steward visited with their sister, Mrs. Staten in Brownwood last Thursday.

C. K. Black of Iraan was Saturday luncheon guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hunter.

Carl Buttry was Sunday dinner guest with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Buttry.

Mrs. W. G. Williams visited in Brownwood Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Laura Whitfield and Nannie Marie.

J. R. Moore and son Charley Moore of Coleman visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Hyatt Moore.

Mrs. J. E. Porter of Utopia spent Sunday with the Johnny Steward family.

Mr. and Mrs. John X. Steward of Dimmitt are home for the holidays.

Kenneth McClain of San Angelo was home over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Baker of Gouldbusk visited Sunday in the McClain home and all of them visited Mrs. McClain's daughter, Mrs. F. W. Baker, who is a patient in Brady hospital.

M/Sgt. A. W. Box left Sunday for Seattle, Washington via Los Angeles to visit his grandmother, Mrs. J. O. Harkey and brother, John Earl Box. Sgt. Box has been

spending his leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Box and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Campbell and Pat.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Blackwell and children of Alamosa, Colo., are spending holidays with home folks. They with Mr. and Mrs. Roland Caudle of Stephenville and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Blackwell and children of Fife were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Blackwell. Mrs. Glover of Dallas was also a guest.

Mrs. Minta Scoggins and son, Billy Ed, of Taft, are here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Avants, Melvin and Larry went to Hamlin Saturday and home Sunday to visit with Mrs. Mary Avants and Miss Viola. The boys remained in Hamlin for Christmas.

Sunday services were conducted at the Baptist Church by the pastor, Rev. Bill Johnson. He was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Estes.

The Rev. Don Jopling, pastor, preached at the Methodist Church on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Dutton and Mrs. J. W. Jopling of Bellevue and Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Jopling of Ft. Worth were Sunday guests with the Rev. and Mrs. Don Jopling and Mark.

Mr. and Mrs. Leffel Estes and Mr. and Mrs. Cecl Day and Sherry were Sunday guests with Mr. and Mrs. James Sluder.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Estes were Saturday bed time visitors in the Leffel Estes home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Gray went to Temple Wednesday to spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. W. E. Routh and family.

Uless and Billy Maness visited Pete Cooper Sunday afternoon.

Week end guests with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Miller were Mr. Frank Harold of Houston, Mrs. Myrtle Crow of Temple and Mrs. Fanny Pike of Bangs.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Estes visited Sunday afternoon with Mrs. John West.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Bryan and Kenneth attended the Ordination Service at the First Baptist

Church in Santa Anna Sunday. Learned the Bill McSwane funeral services in San Angelo Tuesday afternoon. (Details next week.)

We thank each one for their co-operation during the past year and wish everyone the very best of all good things for Christmas and the New Year.

Mrs. Winnie Weaver and son, Max, of Coleman, visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Sam McIlvain, also Mr. and Mrs. Blake Williams Mac and Carolyn.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Caldwell and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Steward went to Houston Tuesday to spend the holidays. They are making the trip in the Caldwell's new car.

Mrs. Melba Earle Herring and sons, David and Mike, of Odessa, attended church at Rockwood Sunday and were guests in the R. E. Johnson home for a family Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford and children spent the week end in San Angelo having Christmas with her mother and sister, Mrs. Gussie Wise and Miss Billie.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Muehler of Austin are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Evan Wise.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brusenhan and Sue of Walnut Springs spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. L. Brusenhan.

## Early Edition This Week

Because of the early edition this week, a number of local news items will most likely be left out of the paper. We are attempting to get the paper ready to mail by Tuesday at noon.

Next week we will be back on our regular schedule with the paper being mailed on Thursday and all the club reports and news items not in this week's paper will be in next week's paper. We appreciate the cooperation of all who have been so considerate in getting their news items in to us early.

## Griffin Hatchery Announces Change of Ownership

Bill Griffin, who has been the owner and operator of the Griffin Hatchery for the past several years, announces this week that he has sold his feed store to Mr. Harry Dobbys and Mr. Ben Davis of Abilene. Griffin will retain his hatchery and it will be located at his turkey farm in the south part of town.

The feed store will remain in the same building it has been in for several years with Roland Williams being the local manager. The store will work closely with Mr. Griffin. They will continue the same lines of feed and will add another feed developed by these men.

Dobbys and Davis have had a number of years experience in the feed business, and operate an elevator and mill in Abilene. They promise the same friendly service as has been the custom of the Griffin Hatchery in the past, with fair and honest treatment to all. Both men are highly recommended by Mr. Griffin.

## Good Rain Falls Thursday Night

Good rains fell over Coleman County last Thursday night with reports indicating that upwards of an inch fell in some parts. About 3/4 of an inch fell in Santa Anna with slightly more falling north of town and south of town.

Most of the rain fell during the time parents and children were gathering at the high school for the annual Ward School Christmas Play, but it failed to keep a good crowd from coming out. The house was almost filled.

Prison walls are not built to scale.

## Queen Theatre

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**Letters To Santa**

Dear Santa:  
 I would like to have a little train that I can pull, a little road grader and a new set of guns. I have tried very hard to be a good boy, so I hope you will bring these things. Don't forget my sweet little nieces and nephews and all of my friends.  
 James Syndon Wells

Dear Santa Claus:  
 I want a football suit and some candy too. I want every body to have a good Christmas. And my little sister wants a play type writer. And she wants a doll.  
 With love,  
 Denny Densman

Dear Santa Claus:  
 Will you please bring me a bicycle and a bubble train.  
 Edwina McCarroll

Dear Santa Claus:  
 Please bring a football. Thank you.  
 With love,  
 Terry Lynn Blanton

Dear Santa Claus:  
 Please bring me a bicycle and a football. Also 2 guns and bee-bee gun. Thank you.  
 With love,  
 Ellis Chase

Dear Santa Claus:  
 Please bring me a house and dolls, and dishes. Don't forget the poor children. I am 6 years old.  
 With love,  
 Sharon Wise

Dear Santa Claus:  
 Please bring me a bollyball accordian a dog collar and Gog chane. I am six years old. Thank you.  
 With love,  
 Sandra Jean Davis

Dear Santa:  
 I want a doll, I want some doll clothes. I want a balloon and a set of dishes. I love you.  
 From  
 Barbara Baucom

Dear Santa Claus:  
 Please bring me a bicycle head light and a tony doll. I want a wedding doll about 6 or 8 inches high.  
 With love,  
 Martha Faye Cooksey

Dear Santa Claus:  
 I want a bicycle, billfold, pump, a basketball and a train.  
 Good by  
 Brian Baucom

Dear Santa Claus:  
 Please bring me a collar and a chane, car, beedsdoll. I am six years old.  
 Geraldene French

Dear Santa Claus:  
 Please bring me a drum and a doll and my slster wants a doll and a babby bed. My Mother wants a suit.  
 Your friend  
 Sandry Kay

Dear Santa:  
 Please bring me a bicycle. My little sister hasn't made up her mind yet.  
 Your friend,  
 Jim Evans

Dear Santa Claus:  
 I would like to have a Cinderella watch, a jewelry chest, a doll with rooted hair and a dial telephone.  
 Your friend  
 Nelda Faye Wallace

Dear Santa:  
 I want a guitar and a bible. I would like a b.b. gun and a basball bat and a basball glove.  
 Love your friend,  
 Carl Ray

Dear Santa:  
 Please bring me a pair of boots and some kind of toy to play with. Don't forget my brother and sister.  
 Please remember other little children.  
 Yours truly,  
 Clayton Jackson

Dear Santa:  
 I wish that you would bring me a uniform and U. S. Marine gun set and a pair of leather cowboy gloves.  
 I thank you.  
 Your friend  
 Larry Gene Wardlow.

Dear Santa Claus:  
 Will you please bring me a view-master and a truck with a steam-shovel, and a racer and a game. I would like a cannon.  
 Love  
 Sherman Stearn

Dear Santa Claus:  
 Will you please bring me some moccasins and a skirt and a sweater.  
 Thank you.  
 Brenda McClure

Dear Santa Claus:  
 I love you. I wish could see you. I want a tom thumb type writer a tom thumb cash register a tony doll a doll-e-set a doll-e-dish set a little suit case for my doll, full of clothes, and a little doll bed.  
 Your friend  
 Juanell Mercer

Dear Santa:  
 Please bring me a football  
 With love  
 Terry Wallace

Dear Santa Claus:  
 I would like for you to bring me a dump truck for Christmas, if you have one. I would like a big tractor-trailer van.  
 I love you very much. Please do not forget all the other little children.  
 Your friend  
 John Wayford Gregg

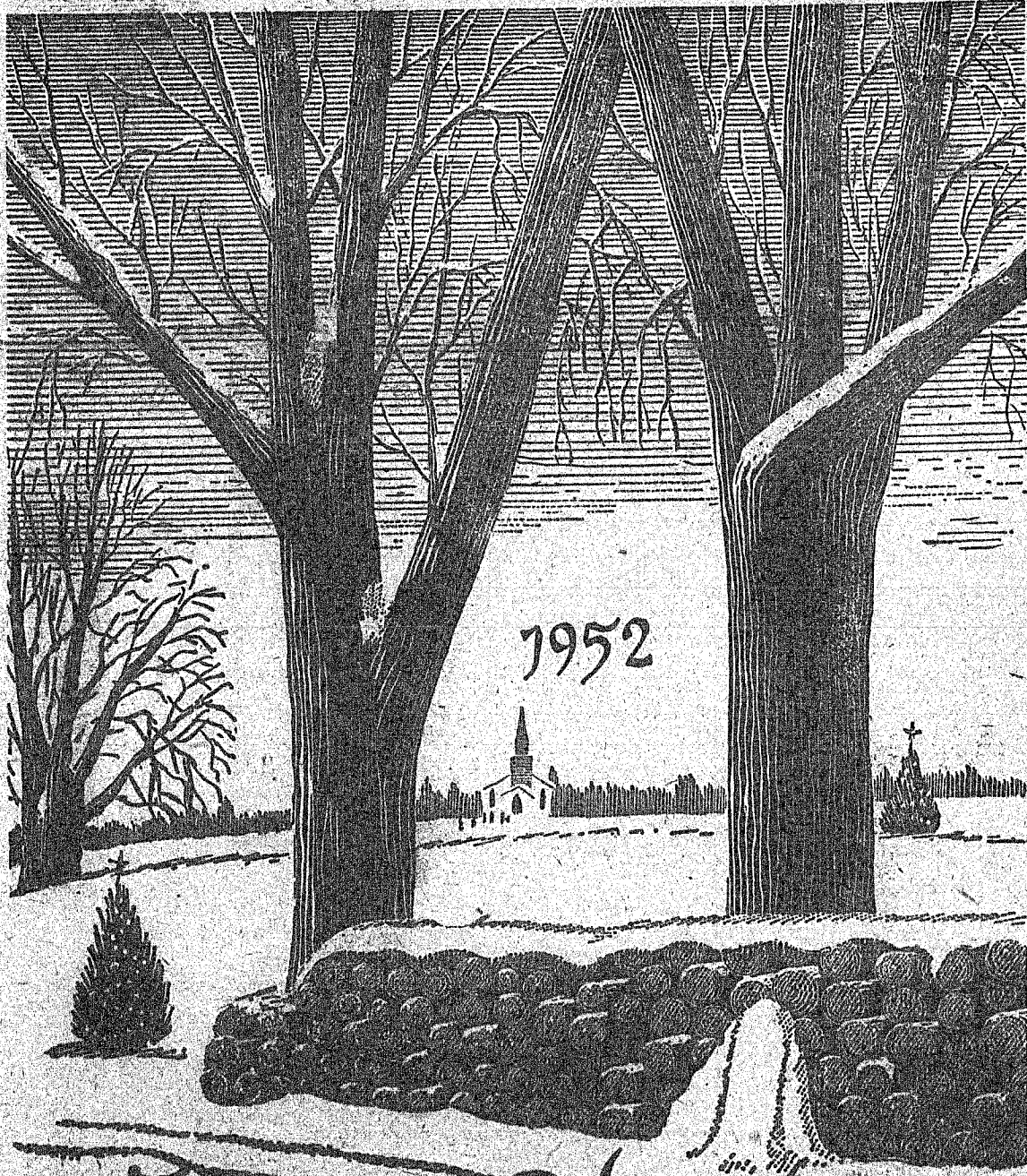
Dear Santa Claus:  
 I want a band doll and a dutch doll and a ring for Christmas. I want an apple a orange and some nuts. Don't forget my brother and my friends at school.  
 Your friend  
 Elaine McClure

Dear Santa Claus:  
 I want a doll and some candy and one apple and two oranges. My little brother wants a train and some candy too. He wants one apple and two oranges.  
 Love your friends  
 Clara Lou and Doyle Lynn Wright

Dear Santa Claus:  
 I think I have been a pretty good little girl this year. I'd like for you to bring me a new born baby doll and a record player—some candy, fruit and nuts. Please remember all other little boys and girls too.  
 I have a little 4 year old brother that has been pretty good too. He wants a gun, basket ball and just anything else that is to play with. Also fill his stocking with candy, nuts and fruit. His name is Warren Bruce Wallace.  
 Love  
 JoAnn Wallace  
 Rockwood, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
 Please bring me a log truck and a pack plane and a telephone truck.  
 Your friend  
 Richard Jerel Hoyt

Dear Santa Claus:  
 I would like a dollbed and dishes and play watch. My brother would like a gun and scabbard and army set.  
 Your friends  
 Sue Carol Pritchard and Robert Pritchard.



**Merry Christmas**

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### LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:  
I didn't get to talk to you at town when you visited, and I want to tell you what I want.

I am a little boy five years old and I want one of those "Fix-it-cars", and maybe a "Lone-Star-Ranger" game and a cowboy hat. I want a baton, so my little cousin, Betty, can teach me how to twirl it. I have a brother, Jerry, eleven years old and he just wants an "erector-set".

I hope I get to see you again at our church, Wednesday night, December 17. Goodbye 'till then.

I love you  
Nikki Van Johnson

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a football and some guns.

Terry Lynn McIver

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me tony doll record player.

Sheila Ann Jeffcoat

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a dollbed and some dishes. I would like some houseshoes and a housecoat.

Your friend  
Carole Ann Stiles  
1308, Wallis Ave.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a walking doll and a record player. Thank you.

Karen Jones

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a doll, a stove and an ice box. Thank you.

Kay Haynes

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Donnie Gilbert. I am eight years old. I am in the second grade. Please bring me a gun and a foot ball and apples, oranges and some candy.

Your friend  
Donnie

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl three years old and have been very good all year. For Christmas I'd like a doll, doll bed, piano and some doll clothes. Also don't forget my granny and grandad who live in Santa Anna. I think they have been good too.

Merry Christmas,  
Dena Kay Anderson

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 7 years old and in the second grade. Please bring me a frontler rifle and some standard roll caps.

Don't forget all of the other little boys and girls.

Love  
Billy Don McCrary

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a ball and a doll and a big dollbed and some nuts and apples and oranges. My little sister wants a doll and a ball and some nuts and apples and oranges.

Love your friend  
Glenda Margo Vineyard

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a football and a bicycle.

Fred Clevenger

Dear Santa Claus:

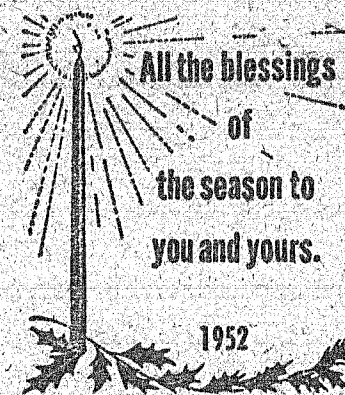
I would like a nurse kit and please bring me some nuts some candy and some apples.

Your friend  
Arlene Welch  
Santa Anna, Texas



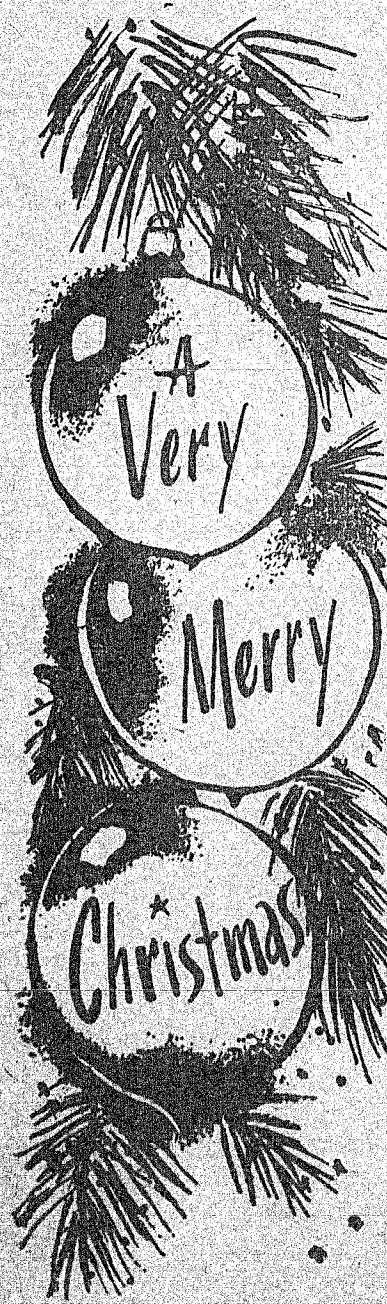
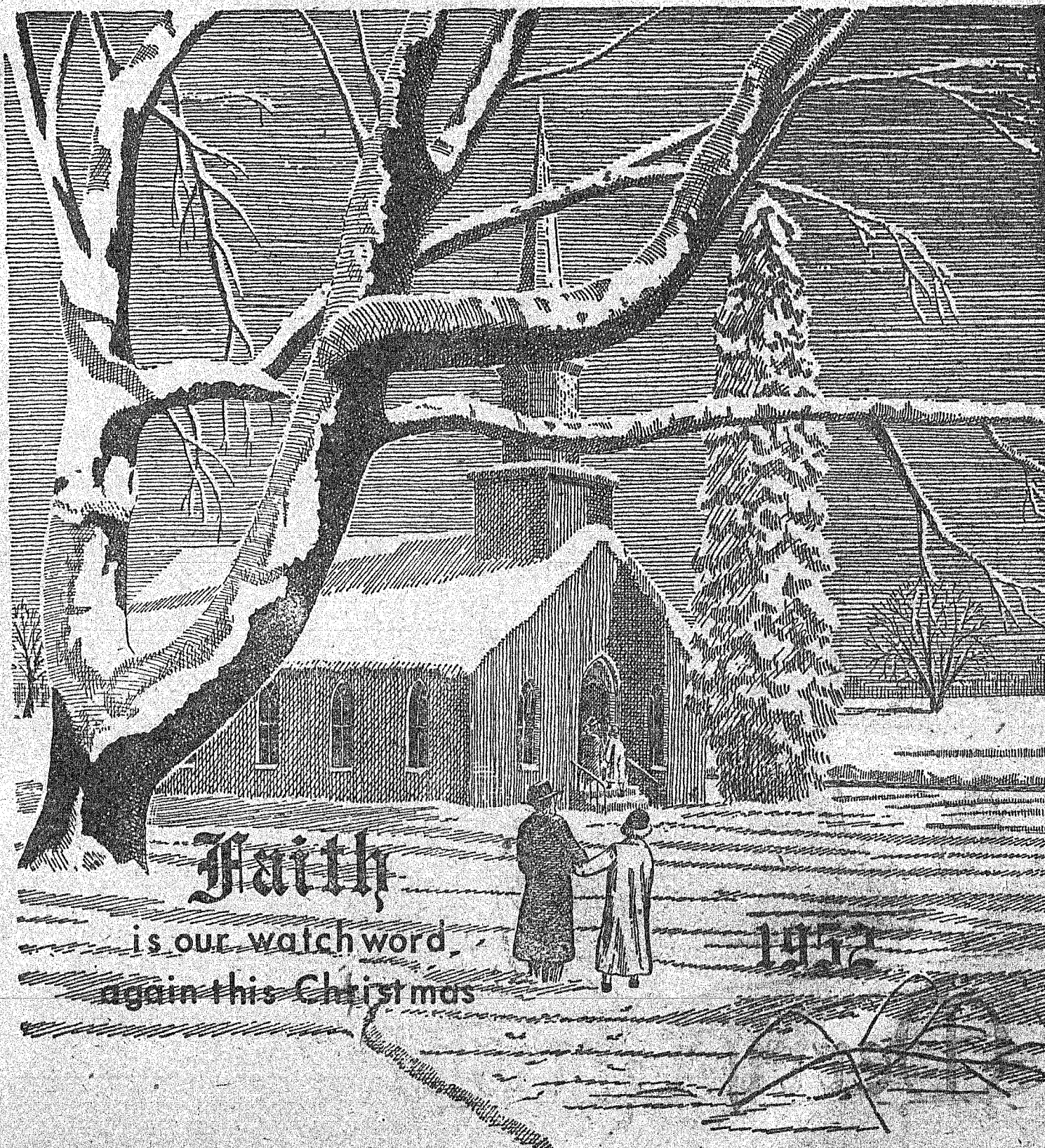
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Your Leading Jeweler  
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Coleman, Texas

# LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me a football and some guns.  
Stanley Hartman

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me a big doll buggy. Thank you.  
Frankie Walker

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me a doll and an icebox. Thank you.  
Sherry Lynn Drake

Dear Santa:  
I have tried to be good and I want a big teddy bear and set of dishes and fruit and candy.  
Your little friend  
Wanda Jean Kline

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me Bonnie Braids. Thank you.  
Mary Strength

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a bride doll, a cinderella watch and a manicure set. And for my little sister a bride doll, a charm set also a set of dishes. Please don't forget all the poor little boys and girls.  
Love  
Elaine White

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me a football. Thank you.  
Jimmy Tabor

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like for you bring me a record player, football and a pair of boots size one.  
Your friend  
Stanley Williams

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a record player, basketball, jewel chest and a doll.  
Love  
Peggy Jean Hawkins

Dear Santa Claus:  
My Christmas wish. I wish I had a electric football set also I want a pair of boots a billfold.  
Your friend

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want an art set and a bicycle.  
Your friend,  
John Dillingham

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me a toy doll and some games and a type writer. Thank you.  
Wanda Vee James

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me a bicycle and two guns and a truck. Thank you.  
Glenn Gilbreath

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring my little brother a bubble train. I want a baby and a game and some records. Thank you.  
Cheryl Fitzpatrick

Dear Santa Claus:  
I think I have been a good boy. Please bring me a B B gun, a zip-up notebook, candy and fruit.  
Love  
Donnie Henderson

Dear Santa Claus:  
I wish we could go to Fort Worth. I wish I had a record player. My brother wants an electric football game or a B-B gun. My little sister wants a doll.  
Your friend  
Bobby Langford

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like a watch and a sack of candy. Please bring my little nephew a football and a tool box. Thank you a lot. I want you to have a happy Christmas, just as I will.  
Your friend always,  
Mary Ford

Dear Santa Claus:  
I wish I had a necklace and a bracelet for Christmas are a bicycle. I want a doll. I wish I had a toy car for Dannie. I wish I had a doll. I want a cokestand and a magic slate.  
I wish everybody had a happy Christmas. I wish everybody had got what they wanted for Christmas.  
Beverly Pierce

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy 8 years old I am in the third grade. Please bring me a Frontier rifle and some standard roll caps.  
Love  
Alfred McCrary

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me a bicycle Christmas. Thank you.  
Your friend

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a doll a dollbed too. Please bring me some nuts, apples and oranges.  
Your friend  
Gayle Stovall

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a bicycle, a doll, a ball and a teddy bear.  
Your friend  
Wanda Pierce

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a doll, a sewing machine and a baking set.  
Thank you.  
Your friend  
Carolyn Faye Fletcher  
7 years old.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want two guns and a train.  
Your friend  
Emmit Simmons

# Merry Christmas

### To Our Friends And Customers

We Hope Your Gift Packages Make Your Dreams Come True And Too That The Holiday Brings You Everything You Need And Everlasting Friendships

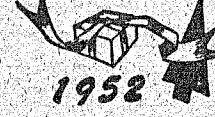
## THE WATSON FAMILY Hotel Coffee Shop



# Coleman County Electric Cooperative, Inc.

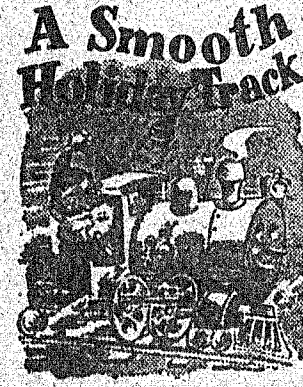


A beautiful, merry Christmas to one and all.



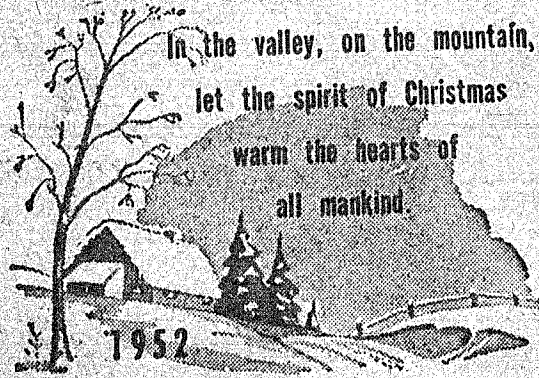
## Tank Co. (90 mm)

142nd Infantry, Texas National Guard



## Collins Grocery

Minnie Young, Owner



### Santa Anna Farm & Ranch Supply Store

### Service Cafe

#### Polio Aid For Texas Is Curbed

Austin — Texas got a stern reminder of the financial pinch caused by its unprecedented polio outbreak when the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis scaled down emergency aid to state Chapters.

General Robert J. Smith, State

Chairman for the 1953 March of Dimes, stated that the NFIP had to curb allotments because the record number of cases nationally has almost exhausted available funds.

He said the restriction in cash advances would prevail until the 1953 edition of the March of Dimes, which is exclusively the finances for the anti-polio activity.

"This does NOT mean that

care will be curtailed for any patient needing help", said General Smith, who is president of the Pioneer Air Lines. "Pressing financial needs will be met, but hospitals will be requested to carry some polio care bills until money is available from the 1953 March of Dimes to be conducted January 2 thru the 31st."

The economy move, according to the General, was taken to in-

sure all Chapters needing aid, a fair share of emergency funds until the end of the year.

Texas has been one of the main recipients of aid from the National Foundation, and this year has received more than one out of every six dollars allocated by the NFIP for patient care.

"Under usual procedure," explained General Smith, "half of the March of Dimes funds are retained by chapters for local

patient care, or, in emergencies, for supplementing national aid funds. The other half is remitted to the National Foundation for polio research, education, and the replenishment of chapter treasuries depleted by epidemics. "Because of the increasingly heavy polio case load, Texas, for three years, has needed 100 per cent of the March of Dimes funds for patient care and thus has contributed nothing to re-

search or education."

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a set of dishes and a doll that sucks a bottle and wets its pants. Also a little sewing machine so I can learn to sew for my doll.

I love you.

Helen Jo Pinson

\*A basilisk is a mythical dragon.



Peace attend you the season through. And may your fondest dreams come true,



### Gray Mercantile Company

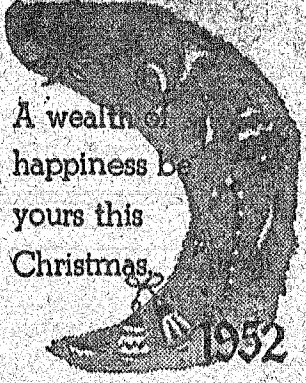
OVER 40 YEARS IN COLEMAN



### BURRS

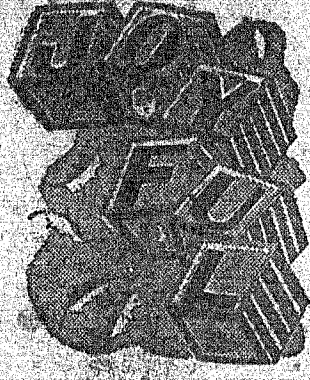
DEPARTMENT STORE  
Coleman, Texas





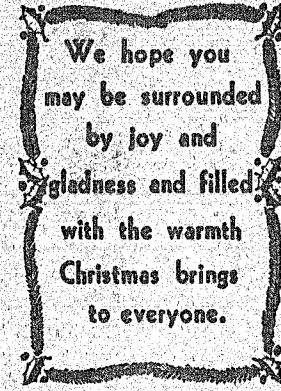
A wealth of happiness be yours this Christmas.

**Blossom and Jewell**  
GULF SERVICE STATION



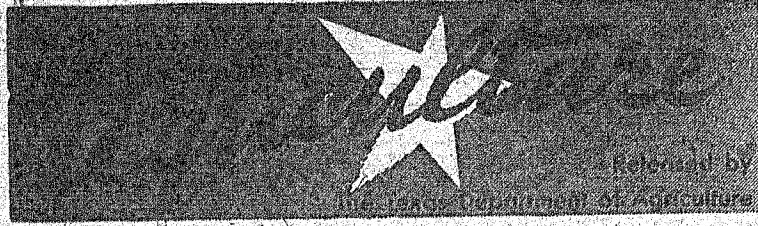
And, we add, double Merry Christmas.

**Santa Anna Hospital**  
AND CLINIC



We hope you may be surrounded by joy and gladness and filled with the warmth Christmas brings to everyone.

**Lela's Beauty Shop**  
Linnie Biggs, Operator



NOTE: The following is an unusual piece of work which made its first appearance in print last year and has nothing to do with Texas Agriculture. However, it is especially fitting for this time of year, particularly when we are sometimes apt to forget the real meaning of Christmas. The writer is the society editor of the San Antonio Express, and it is with her kind permission, and that of the newspaper, that I reproduce the article.

— John C. White, Commissioner of Agriculture.  
Lois Weekes  
San Antonio, Texas

Mr. Santa Claus  
C/O Childhood Hearts  
North Pole  
Dear Mr. Claus:  
I hope you will remember me Santa. It's been a long time. You'd have to blow the dust away to look up my name in your files.  
The last time I wrote you, I spelled bicycle with a "k" and I've been singing "Jingle Bells" an octave lower for several seasons now. My stocking size and my Christmas lists have changed considerably — and I now recognize the value of a little mistletoe in the decor. It isn't that I've underesti-

mated you through the years, Mr. C., or forgotten our relationship. I've been giving your letters to my father to mail and it worked out beautifully since the Christmas he inquired as to my knowledge of your identity. My affirmative answer brought a "well, start being a little nicer to ME then" from him. And we laughed and my mother cried.

I still believe in you, you see, and I've followed your activity each Yuletide in the nation's press. I know you don't have time to read all the papers, but December's headlines — lots of them — belong to you. Annually, you crowd out the day-by-day boys who fade from year to year.

Although this is more a delayed "thank you" for other Christmases than a suggested shopping list, there are a few things I'd like when you rein in the reindeer at my house this

year. Could you put the light from the children's faces, pressed against the countless frosted window panes, into the hearts of the world? Could you transplant a little of the feeling of holly, the glistening tinsel, the angels atop the Christmas trees, the off-key Noels and the hushed hymns, the street-corner replicas of you, to those who are spending their first Christmas away from all that — and especially — to those who never noticed it before?

Could you remind us all, that it is a Birthday we are celebrating, not just an expensive respite from the rest of the year? Could you put in our Christmas cards and our packages, the messages and the warmth we really mean instead of the shop-worn sentimental and the same old gifts?

Most of all, Mr. Claus, could you make sure that we'll never

outgrow you — that Christmas will always be a way of life and that you'll be staging it always?

I think you will because, though you've seen central heating replace the chimney, you've learned that America's front door is left unlocked each Christmas Eve. There is still room for the manger and the sleighbells in the age of automobiles and atoms. So don't ever go mechanized, Mr. Claus.

Sincerely yours,  
LOIS

**New Santa Fe Calendar Entitled "Indian Chant"**

The Indian picture heading up the 1953 Santa Fe Railway calendar was painted by Frederic Mizzen and is titled "Indian Chant." The painting depicts a Southwestern Indian in ceremonial dress beating a tom-tom and chanting a tribal song out-

side the adobe kiva at a pueblo in the Rio Grande Valley.

Mizzen is chairman of the art department at Baylor University in Waco, Texas. He is well-known as a commercial artist and as a portrait painter of Indians and prominent people in public life.

Many of Mizzen's canvases of outstanding industrialists of the midwest and Southwest are on display in various sections of the nation. In addition to his portraits and paintings for calendar and national advertisements, Mizzen has done covers and story illustrations for Saturday Evening Post, Colliers, American Magazine and other periodicals. He is also well-known for his landscapes of the Southwest.

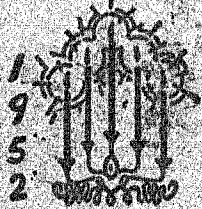
Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a football helmet, a train. Thank you.

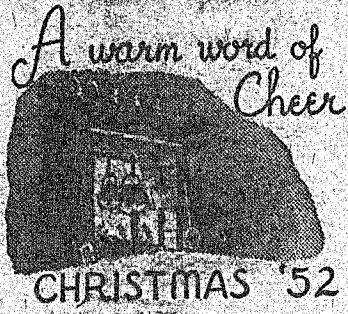
With love  
Byron



The splendid spirit of the season shines in the hearts of men.



**Billy Pieratt Grocery**  
And Texaco Service Station



We offer our best holiday greetings and pledge you a bright



and merry Yuletide season.

**Cammack Grain Store**



We're happy to be sharing another holiday season with you.



**Sipson Florist**

Best Wishes



To my own  
goes out your wish  
for a joy and  
untroubled Christmas.



In the East, a star,  
and in the hearts of  
men a great joy,  
for unto the world  
is born a Saviour.  
His blessing upon  
mankind!

### Santa Anna Cooperative Gin

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#### LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a electric football set  
and a B B gun and some B Bs.  
Your friend  
Gary N. Hosch

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me a  
bicycle.  
Frank Valdez

Dear Santa Claus:  
I wish I had a doll, a coke stand  
and a magic slate. I wish ever  
body has a happy Christmas. I  
wish ever body got what they  
wanted for Christmas.  
Wanda June Williams

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring a doll and clothes  
and candy. I am in the second  
grade. I am 7 years old.  
Margie Fleming

Dear Santa:  
I want a gun and football  
and a little tractor and a car  
and some fruit, nuts and candy.  
Your friend  
S. D. Fellers

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me a  
football and some boots.  
Thank you.  
Mike Welch

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me a  
pretty doll and a good doll case  
to put her clothes in. My little  
sister would like a doll, too.  
Your friend  
Sue Garrett

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me a  
road grader and a gun. Thank  
you.  
Donnie Neff

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a doll, a doll-  
bed and two little bedroom  
lamps. I would like to have some  
fruit and candy too.  
Your friend,  
Margaret Ann Mobley

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me a  
football and some boots. Thank  
you.  
Gary Von Sudderth

Dear Santa Claus:  
I wish I had some guns and  
scabords. I wish I had some  
truck and cars and I wish I had  
a football too.  
With love  
George Constable

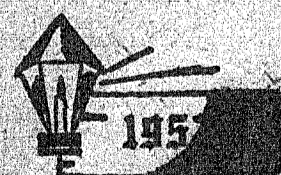
I would like to have a toy truck  
a steam shovel a football and a  
bicycle.  
Your friend  
Frank Caldwell



Happiness and good  
will are the order  
of the day.



Our hope for your  
peace and happiness  
goes out to every  
one of you.



### Shields & Standley

WELDING and BLACKSMITHING SHOP

### Dairy Twist

Veda Johnson

### LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a tony doll for Christmas. I would like to have a pink dress and its hair in pig-tails. It will be pretty I know and bring my little brother an accordion. Thank you a lot.  
Your friend  
Linda Sudderth

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a basketball, baseball, notebook, fireworks, candy and nuts. I have been a good boy and try to help my mother. I have an older brother, please don't forget him.  
Your friend  
Lynn Dockery

Dear Santa Claus:  
I wish for a doll, a doll bed, and a big sack of candy with oranges, apples and chewing gum. I wish I had a cap with white on the top and gold in the middle and a string with two little balls on it. I wish I had a negro doll that cries and a bottle to go with it and shoes. Santa Claus, I hope everybody has a merry, merry Christmas and I hope I have a merry, merry Christmas too.  
Your friend,  
Sherrill Gwen James

Dear Santa Claus:  
I wish you would bring me a baby doll. If you don't have it, I would like a grate big doll. I want a bracelet, too. I would like a necklace, too.  
Your friend  
Anne

Dear Santa Claus:  
Would you bring me a football and a football suit and a farm set and a first base glove and some boxing gloves.  
Ronny

Dear Santa Claus:  
I wish I had a tony doll for Christmas, watch too and that is all ask for Santa Claus, and I wish everybody a merry Christmas too and they get what they want to.  
Your friend  
Molly Clitt

Dear Santa Claus:  
I wish you would bring me a skirt, a sweater and a pair of moccasins.  
Your friend  
Barbara McClure

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like a watch and some fireworks for Christmas. I hope every one has a happy and merry Christmas.  
Your friend  
John Sanders

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a fort, a rifle a truck and a dart game.  
I have tried to be a good boy. I am in the third grade. Please bring me some nuts, fruit and candy. Don't forget my little brothers.  
Your friend  
Don Rutherford

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like a doll with pig-tails, a nipper bag, an accordion and a stroller for my doll.  
Lots of love,  
Bobbie Lee Barnes

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me a baseball and some guns.  
Charles Ball

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me a record player and typewriter.  
Robert Oakes

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me some candy, nuts and toys.  
I have been a good boy. I am eight years old.  
Your friend  
Raymond Clark



## Cecil HALL Motors

Coleman, Texas



# Coleman Gas Company

And Its Employees



Post  
Office  
Force

MERRY CHRISTMAS



We're on time with 'special' wishes for a bright and happy holiday season.

# Bland Grocery

On Rockwood Highway

Ernest Bland

Phone 70

To our many friends



The spirit of the season strengthens our bonds of mutual friendship



# Dairy Dip

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Moore  
Coleman, Texas

## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a baby doll and a nurse kit. Don't forget my brother and sisters and friends at school.  
Your friend  
Carolyn Carpenter

and a little train for Christmas. I am sure you see my Christmas tree and my stocking over my fireplace. I know you will not forget me.

With love  
Jimmy H.

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a b-b gun and some clothes and some cars and tinker toys and a camera

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a football for Christmas, and a hardball for

Christmas, and a softball for Christmas, basketball for Christmas and a glove for Christmas, and a train that will go around a track.

Good by  
From Charles to  
Santa Claus

Dear Santa:

Please bring me an iron and ironing board. Also a baby doll that sucks a bottle. I would like

a little sewing machine so I could sew for it. I need a pair of gloves or mittens to keep my hands nice and warm going to school. I love you very much.

Patricia Kay Cowin

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a be-be gun for Christmas, and a thouring knife.

Bangs, Texas  
With love  
Jerry

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a doll with wardrobe and a cinderella watch. My little brother would like a steam shovel and a truck.

Your friends  
Linda Elaine Evans and  
Dana Evans.

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a football.  
Thank you.

With love  
Ronald

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a pecan and a little sewing machine. I love you very much.

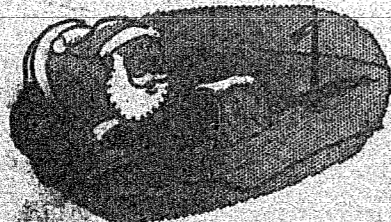
Virginia Beth Pinson

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a tractor, a truck and a dog. I am two years old. Thank you.

Your friend  
Truman Glen Fletcher

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY



Let's help Santa make this the merriest Christmas of all.



May the joy of Christmas abide in you all.



# Wright's Funeral Home

Coleman, Texas

# A-1 Cleaners

Coleman, Texas