

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

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Early News

BETTY WILLIAMS

Christmas... from our yours! For you and yours that the merriest Christmas surely has been for us: For our friends it has been a good year. Life has been very uncomplicated. One has felt the sting of what more can you ask of the Christmas season has been more interesting than usual this year. It is a family project that has been about a month ago. When last-minute shop-Christmas parties, we have had a history of my 89 years old and has living descendants. Of his colorful life have been in a "This Is Your Year" book which we hope to present to him tonight. Helped from several members of the family, one exception, the book contains recent pictures of his descendants and his... plus early tin-plate portraits or snapshots of his brothers and sisters and him, a picture of the Presbyterian Church where he was organized 60 years ago serves as an elder. A being saved for a picture first school in which he and another for the little school where he began almost 70 years ago in his life's story in 1863. His father, captain in the army returned home from prison camp. A young soldier and his relatives of Northern their home and the their parents were in Sherman's "march to..." was born three years before his father had built the home on the Georgia famous Chickamauga ground. There was no time in its his-American citizens know of and hardship than the people of the deep South decade following the...

all of the ravages of... and Mary Jane... a family of well-adjusted people with a sense of... patience that isn't found today. Early brood was ambidextrous individual's... though they weren't... didn't need alcohol... pills to cushion... strations. Trimmed our tree this... what Christmas... years ago in that log... were probably no pres... maybe not even a tre... and in that battle-scarred... however, the birth of... observed in our grand... for he was a God... dicated man... the... Methodist minister. Imagine the family, gath... a circle, reading th... Christmas by the light... candle. There have been hard on the... of the war-torn South... a proud people... to give their children so... rially for Christmas. Despite of their struggle... erence, they apparently... to put "first things... gave their young a... heritage. There were indeed the fortunate... those "underprivileged"... of a century ago.



**FIRST PLACE WINNER**—This home, owned and decorated by Eldon Trotter at 1215 W. 6th St., was named first place winner in the Jaycee Christmas Home Lighting Contest. Its simple, beautiful theme of the Nativity caught the eye of the judges. Second place went to Teena Smith, 303 E. 15th, while L. M. Massengale, Clovis Road, was third. First prize was a cash award of \$25. Prize money was donated by Southwestern Public Service Co. (STAFF PHOTO)

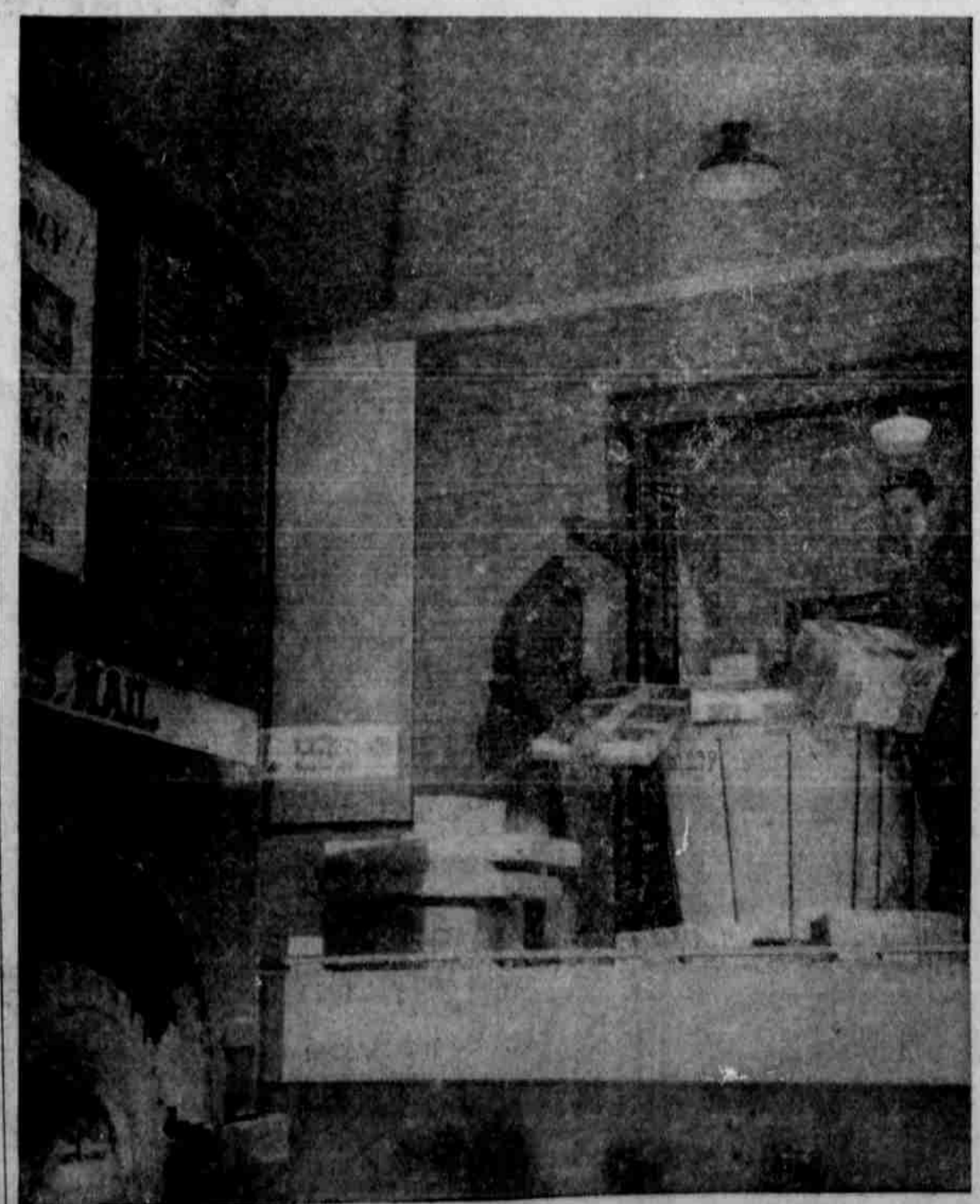
### Nativity Scene Takes Lighting Honors

### Trotter Home Wins Yule Contest

A Nativity scene entered by Eldon Trotter, 1215 W. 6th St., was named the winner of the Jaycee Christmas Home Lighting Contest in results announced Monday by Contest Chairman Gene Bartley. The well-lighted scene at the Trotter home was judged best by members of the Anton Garden Club, who assisted Bob Chesley of Littlefield with the judging. Second place went to Teena Smith, 303 E. 15th St. Miss Smith's entry was a brilliantly lighted door. Third place went to L. M. Massengale, Clovis Road, with a theme of "Peace On Earth, Good Will Toward Men." Massengale also had a life-like Santa Claus starting down an artificial chimney on the roof. Artis Wesley, 604 E. 14th, was given honorable mention for his entry. The contest was judged on color, balance, artistic merit, originality, lighting techniques and ingenuity.

The homes were judged Saturday night by the Anton Garden Club members. Trotter received \$25 for his winning entry. His home will be entered in the \$5,000 nationwide General Electric Christmas Decorating Contest. Miss Smith received \$15 for second place and Massengale was awarded \$10 for third place. Prize money was donated by Southwestern Public Service Company.

Besides the three winners and the honorable mention given Wesley, seven other homes were entered in the contest. Others entered included Ronnie McWilliams, 821 W. 3rd; M. L. Hall, 300 E. 12th; Dan French, 108 E. 17th; Bill Duncan, 731 E. Ave.; Tom Hillman, 624 E. 13th and Dr. J. R. Fain, 521 E. 16th. Chairman Bartley expressed the appreciation of the Jaycees for the interest that was shown in the contest this year. "We'd like to see a whole lot more homes entered next Christmas and make this contest one of the best of the year," he added. Bartley said the contest served to beautify the entire city during the Christmas season.



**LAST OF THE MAIL RUSH**—City deliveryman Ernest Russell, left, and John Crosby, son of Lloyd Crosby of Littlefield, load the mail truck early this week as the post office delivered the last of the Christmas packages. Postmaster Arbie Joplin said the local station had one of the busiest Christmas seasons in recent years. Crosby, a student at ACC, landed a part-time job with the post office to help out with the rush. (STAFF PHOTO)

## Lamb Mishap-Free As Christmas Nears

### Area Roads Stay Clear Of Mishaps

Law enforcement officers throughout the county sounded a cheering note Tuesday morning. They said, simply: "No accidents."

As the county entered the fourth day of "Operation Death-watch," the Texas Department of Public Safety's name for its alert against traffic mishaps during the holidays, no deaths or injuries on the county's highways had been counted.

Over the state, the death toll neared 50 through Monday night, 21 through traffic accidents.

**205 Deaths Predicted**  
The State DPS predicted there will be 205 Christmas-New Year's Holiday violent deaths, 113 of them in traffic, during the period of its count.

State highway patrolmen were on special alert throughout the county, devoting their entire attention to traffic law violators during the 12-day period. In Littlefield, city and country officers reported no mishaps Monday night.

It was a quiet night throughout the county, with only a few arrests on minor charges reported.

**Back to Business Today**  
Littlefield prepared to get back into the swing of business Thursday, with all city, county, state and federal offices scheduled to reopen after brief holidays.

Banks were also scheduled to reopen Thursday morning. School children continued their holiday. Schools reopen Monday, Jan. 6.



**CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS**—Twenty-five stockings for patients in the Amherst Convalescent Home were packed by ladies of the Salvation Army early this week. Mrs. Roland Chambliss and Emma Sills, left to right, chat as they load up a box of stockings for the home. The Salvation Army, along with Littlefield Jaycees, also operated a toy center for needy children and toys were distributed around the area Tuesday. (STAFF PHOTO)

## ASC Sets 1958 Soil Bank Rates

Cotton index rates under the 1958 Soil Bank program — which will tell each farmer how much money he can receive per acre — have been set by the Lamb County ASC.

Rates announced Monday by Office Manager Lamar Aten range all the way from \$29 per acre to \$54 per acre.

Notice to each county producer will go out right after the first of the year, Aten said. The notice will tell the producer his payment per acre if he decides to join the program. Aten said the sign-up for the Soil Bank will begin Jan. 13. The deadline will be March 7.

Under a new ruling this year, a farmer can put up to \$3,000 in acreage per farm in the soil bank. The county average is \$33 per acre for 1958, a slight hike over the \$49 average of 1957. Individual farms, however, will run all the way from an index of \$29 per acre to \$54 per acre, Aten said. This is how money was distributed by the county ASC committee:

Community	Average Per Acre
A	\$61
B	\$61
C	\$53
D	\$53
E	\$45
F	\$37
G	\$33
H	\$29

Farms in each community will vary from the community's average along the \$29-\$54 range, Aten said. Community A is the Earth-Pleasant Valley area, B is Olton, C is Hart Camp, D is Amherst, E

is Sudan, F is southwest of Littlefield, G is Littlefield and H is Spade.

The rates for individual farms were set Monday by the ASC's community committee. Committee members include:

- A—Guy Kelley Jr. and Floyd Burgess, both of Earth, and Enos W. Harper of Pleasant Valley.
- B—Doyle W. Pinson, Roy E. Thurman and Leo Bryant, all of Olton.
- C—J. C. Muller, Dan Puckett and Sherman Rushing, all of the Hart Camp area.
- D—J. P. Brantley, Jack Durham and Bob Clayton, all of Amherst.
- E—Wayman T. Bellar, William N. Parrish and Charles Wise. (Continued on Page 3)

### Other Area Gridders Listed Lee, Hysinger Win Posts On All-South Plains Team

Wallace Lee, Littlefield Wildcat senior tackle, and Jack Hysinger, Olton Mustang senior end, have been named to the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal's All-South Plains football team Sunday.

Lee, a 205-pound tackle for Coach Gene Mayfield's Wildcats this year, won the first team offensive right guard position on the 22-man team.

Hysinger, who was a top hand for Coach Joe Turner's Mustangs, was named to the defense right end post. Hysinger weighs 200.

Both boys are considered top college prospects. Lee, who gained all-district first team honors the past two years, was the bulwark of Mayfield's line.

Littlefield won seven and lost two games before falling to Levelland, 27-14, in the district championship game. Lee missed that game with an injured leg. The year before, Lee sparked

as the Wildcats won 10 games and lost two before taking a 28-2 defeat from State Champion Garland in the state semi-finals. Lee made the second team All-South Plains team last year.

Hysinger was considered the best lineman in his district. Two other area stars were named to the second defensive team. They are Keith Lionhart, 235-pounder from Springlake, at left tackle and Jerry Gee, 165-pound linebacker from Amherst.

Honorable mention went to Ends Leslie Bevel of Littlefield, and Doug Goen of Anton; Tackle Bucky Epperson of Whitharral; Guards Bill Wade of Littlefield, and James Carter of Olton; Centers Bobby Beale of Sudan, Jerry Wright of Amherst and Landon Roberts of Littlefield and Backs Jack Royce Straw of Olton, Billy Theford of Whitharral, Buddy Jones of Littlefield, James Presley of Littlefield and Dan Wood of Sudan.

### Says Littlefield's Master Planner...



"Oooh! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!"

## News From Amherst

Mrs. Stella Rochelle and son Leo are here for the holiday season. Leo teaches in the Houston schools. On Sunday 24 members of Mrs. Rochelle's family were at her granddaughter's, Mrs. Cecil Molt, home at Anton for a reunion. The group included Mr. and Mrs. Winton Rochelle and children of Odessa, who plan to return here for a visit Friday after a visit with her relatives in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. John Criner and son Keith have as guests the first of this week her sister and husband Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Porter of Little Rock, Ark. They will visit San Angelo before returning home.

Mrs. Gaston Brown and daughter Donna Jean of Los Angeles, visited Amherst relatives Sunday as they were en route to Cisco for Christmas.

Harry Hedgpeth visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Hedgpeth overnight last week. He was being transferred from Fort Worth to Colorado City where he and his family reside now.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Slate of Sudan were Amherst visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nix, Jean Johnnie and Morris of Texline are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mat Nix, Sr. and her brother,

Forrest Nuttall and other relatives for Christmas.

Mrs. H. H. Thompson has as guests for Christmas Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bradley and Tommy Smith of Snyder, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Claude Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cole of Lubbock.

Other guests for Christmas dinner will be members of her family in this area.

While in Amherst, Mr. and Mrs. Bradley and Tommy Smith will visit in the R. V. Smith home.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Brazwell and family of Amarillo visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brazwell Friday. It was his dad's birthday so they celebrated the day and Christmas also.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Tollett of Lubbock had the misfortune to be injured in an automobile accident on a Lubbock street, Dec. 12. Their car was badly damaged but they were not injured.

Mrs. Tollett's parents came by from Arizona during the week end and they joined them for a vacation trip to St. Louis to be with relatives.

The bus station was moved recently from the Amherst Drug Store to the C and C Electric.

Virgil Allen Hinds of Dallas is here for a holiday visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hinds and sisters.

Paula Davis of Littlefield spent the weekend with her cousin, Debbie Dutton.

Mrs. Ted Long left by bus Friday night for Chicotah, Okla., for a Christmas visit with her parents.

Jimmy Melton is spending the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Melton. He attends New Mexico Military Institute, at Roswell.

Mrs. Harold Clement and Mrs. Mackey Greer of Littlefield visited Mrs. Lee Payne and Mrs. Ernest Black Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Larkin Nix are guests of her niece, Mrs. Wayne Boyd and family in Plainview for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Oby Blanchard are spending Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Davis May and family in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Cum-

## LAFF-A-DAY



"Somehow, I have a feeling that we've already passed it!"

ings, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Moreland, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Black and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Tapley were in Lubbock Sunday afternoon and attended funeral services for O. C. Thompson, 72, father of Mrs. Wesley Pigg. He was a resident of Lubbock and died following an extended illness.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. (Shorty) Thomas are visiting relatives in Oklahoma. John Butler is substituting for him at the locker.

Jerry Gee, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Gee had the honor of being placed on the second All-South Plains dream football team. He was a junior and was placed as a defensive back. On the Amherst team he played both offense and defense.

Dr. J. W. Coulson and his son-in-law, Tommy Hager of Elk City, Okla., attended to business here Friday and visited in the Eryle Abbott home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Brown of Albuquerque, N.M. and Gaston Brown of Los Alamos, N.M. are spending Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Etta Jones and R. L.'s and Gaston's father, Dooey Brown and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Oby Blanchard were in Vernon Dec. 15 for the 11th family reunion of the Frost family held in the American Legion Hall. The Rudolph Hofmanns of Lockett were hosts for the occasion.

Ninety-eight registered including the Frost children, H. G. Frost, Mrs. Jerry Bell, Mrs. Dal Baldwin, W. F. Frost, all of Vernon, Mrs. Blanchard of Amherst, O. W. Frost, Mrs. Rudolph Hofmann of Lockett and Mrs. Edna Arnold, Shallowater. The par-

ents are deceased but the reunion has become a tradition.

Mrs. Lois Williams, head program clerk at the ASC office in Littlefield is on vacation this week.

## New Year's Was Once Spring Time

The celebration of the New Year was once a Spring affair in Egypt and Rome. Ancient Egypt used the overflowing of the Nile as a calendar and celebrated the New Year accordingly. The Babylonians began their New Year in March, and the early Romans followed the Babylonian pattern.

Bearing this in mind, the custom of invoking the gods of fertility at New Year's time — the origin of which is lost in antiquity — seems logical and appropriate. The Romans were accustomed to hanging tiny masks of Bacchus upon trees and vines, the idea being to impart fertility to every side of the tree to which the masks were turned by the wind.

In the old days, Roman youths went from house to house singing and wishing everyone a prosperous New Year.

Scottish lads always had a howling good time going about on New Year's Eve switching the trunks of trees and petitioning "a good, howling crop."

Reflecting the fear of starvation, peasant families in various parts of the world baked a special New Year's cake which they dashed against the door; members of the household hastened to pick up a piece and eat it, praying that neither hunger nor war should enter the house during the ensuing year.

## THIS WEEK In Washington

WITH CLINTON DAVIDSON

Look into the sky this Christmas night and what you see may not be the bright star of Bethlehem that guided the three wise men to the Manger almost 2,000 years ago, but a manmade sputnik.

Listen carefully for what you hear may not be the angels who sang "Peace on Earth" that wonderful night Christ was born, but the awesome beep-beep-beep of a machine circling the earth with the body of a dog.

Search the world over and you will find millions of people kneeling in silent prayer for the promise of "peace on earth and good will among men." Join them, for that is our only hope.

Christmas means peace. Jesus said to his disciples "have peace with one another. . . follow peace with all men" and "peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you." He told them "these things have I spoken unto you, that in me you might have peace."

The Apostle Paul said "the Kingdom of God is joy and peace," and he began his letters to the churches with the salutation, "peace be with you." He also said "God has called us to peace."

While the world trembles on the brink of war, you can find strength and personal peace in the scripture which says "thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee."

The only peace that we can have this Christmas is peace of mind and spirit. Material peace is not to be found. Twenty years ago, in the midst of a great financial depression, I talked with two men, each of whom had amassed a personal fortune of over \$100 million.

They were talking about President Roosevelt and the great powers he exercised over business, and both were fearful that in their old age they might not have a proper shelter and sufficient food. They began seeking means that would guarantee them the necessities of life as long as they lived.

Finally, they concluded that the only safe method was to deposit gold in safe deposit vaults of London banks. They did just that, and three years later the Germans were bombing London.

I could not help but contrast

the fears of these men, who had over \$200 million between them, with my brother-in-law who was then a preacher for a small church in Kentucky. He received \$150 a month and he owned nothing except a mortgaged home.

He, however, had no fears of worries whatsoever regarding his having a proper shelter and sufficient food as long as he lived. His mind was stayed on God and God kept him in perfect peace. He still has that peace.

Anyone who reads the New Testament cannot help but be impressed by the spirit of joy and peace that filled the lives of Christians at that time.

The Apostolic letters spoke of their great joy in persecuting the Christians. They were cured by lions, or burnt at the stake.

They had the "peace" that passeth all understanding. How those people at that time could be happy, joyful, beyond understanding, can understand what Christ in your life means. Unless you can understand Christmas message, with the day of Christ and continuing through peace that exists in this age of peace today.



Season's Greetings

Our warmest wishes to you and yours for a house full of love and happiness all through the holiday season.

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Warmest Wishes for Christmas

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HEATHMAN BUTANE

## Extension For Getting In Storage Granted

Yearly farmers and finally had one bit of this week as Dept. officials granted time for getting storage and eligible for...

ment which expires on February 28. In a telegram to the Exec-Vice-President...

It became evident that the time could not be used to condition the grain wet from the fall weather, the...

farmers and grain men made large investments in drying and aeration many technical problems to their use in this...

to get a closer look at the grain situation is joining the Technological College in industry to develop...

Two minor mishaps were investigated by city officers Saturday.

An auto driven by Donnie W. Hondman of Spade was hit from the rear by a car driven by Anita May...

Officers said Hondman had stopped in the traffic lane for a red light. Damages were \$300 to the...

Saturday afternoon, a mishap occurred at the intersection of XIT Drive and 5th Street.

Cars driven by Rosalie Sibert of Littlefield and by Luther Herring of Littlefield were traveling south on XIT.

The Sibert auto made a left turn onto 5th and was hit in the left side by the Herring car, officers said.

**Trimmed Tree Brought To Us By Germans**

A Christmas tree will be put up in two out of every three American homes this year. Yet the trimmed tree, as we know and use it today, is only about 150 years old in this country.

The Pilgrims forbade Christmas celebrations on the grounds they were pagan. A Massachusetts law in 1689 subjected anyone to a fine who observed the day by feasting, refraining from work or in any other manner.

It was not until near the end of the American Revolution that the Christmas tree took hold. German immigrants, homesick for the tradition of their native land, put them up.

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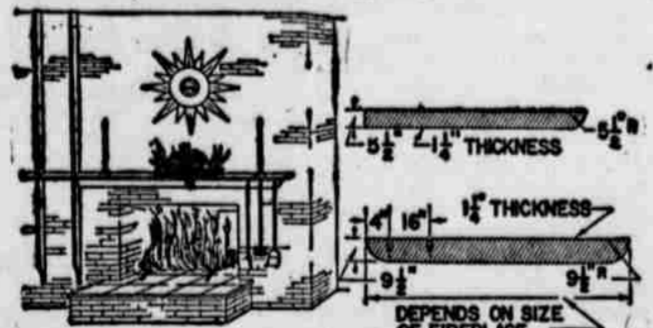
## HERE'S HOW...

### Make A Fireplace Mantle

Charm and convenience can be added to a brick wall fireplace by the construction of a mantle.

Use 1 1/2 by 10-inch lumber for the mantle proper; 1 1/2 by 6-inch lumber for the support; and 1 by 6-inch lumber for the uprights. Make the support 4 inches shorter than the mantle at its curved end. The uprights can either extend from floor to ceiling or be shorter, as shown. Shape the pieces. A compass set with the indicated radii can be used to inscribe the pattern for the curved ends. Notch the

mantle, 5/8 inches deep, to receive the uprights. Assemble the unit by first attaching the support to the wall with cut nails driven into the mortar. Next, bore holes in the mortar for expansion anchors where the uprights will be located. Mark the location of the anchors on the uprights and drill holes 3/8 inch in diameter, 3 1/2 inches deep. Screw the uprights in place and plug the screw holes with a piece of doweling. Finally, attach the mantle to the support and uprights.



National Lumber Manufacturers Association

## Spade Scoops

Mrs. B. D. Mouser has been confined to her bed at home the past several weeks.

Mrs. Arthur Turner returned home from the Littlefield Hospital Monday.

Mrs. E. D. Tate returned home from Medical Arts Hospital last Sunday.

Robert Wilson returned home Tuesday from the Medical Arts Hospital.

T. B. Elder was reported very ill the first of the week. He was at his home.

A large group attended the Christmas program of the Mexican Mission last Monday night in the Baptist Church. Jessie Pedrosa is in charge of the work in this community.

Lois Jean Tomlinson did not return home from Dallas but has hopes of coming home this week-end.

Mrs. Muggs Glazener and daughter, Jan, of Lubbock visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Savage, Tuesday.



## Lamb County Farm Bureau News

By V. M. PETERMAN

County farmers are not getting their true grades under the present sampling procedures. Numerous complaints to that effect have come to me from farmers all over the county, Pleasant Valley, Olton, Fieldton and Sudan.

At least one gin in Lamb County has already had the privilege of cutting samples taken away from them because they cut the sample too deep into the bale, instead of following governmental requirements of using the outside layer for sample.

In a letter to H. L. King, district director of the Texas Farm Bureau, I called his attention to the existing policy of the Texas Farm Bureau. "That classing of officers discard half of sample next to bagging before classing," and asked that work begin immediately on this project.

It is already too late to benefit farmers this year, but with combined effort of all farmers, this sampling practice could be changed.

### COUNTY WIDE MEETING

W. R. Boone from Springlake reported this week that plans are already underway for the county wide meeting of farmers in Springlake in February.

"Games, food and just plain fun are in store for all," promised Boone. The exact date for this party will be released at a later date.

### SOCIAL SECURITY

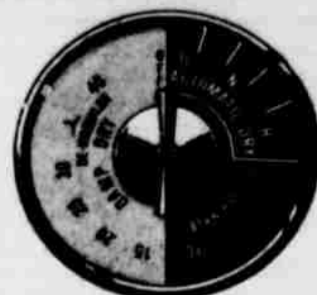
Farmers and ranchers are required to file and pay Social Security Tax on all employees who "have \$150 or more in cash wages in the year, or have performed

agricultural labor for you on 20 or more days during the year for cash wages." This tax is for 4 1/2 per cent. A total of 2 1/4 should be withheld from the employee salary and 2 1/4 per cent is to be

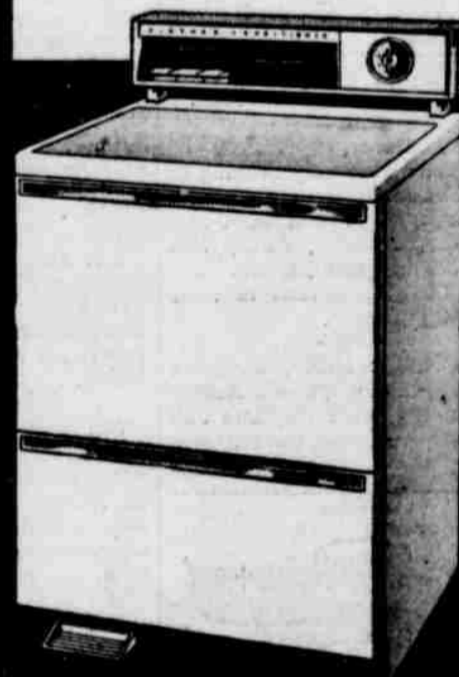
paid by the employer. Any time a farmer or rancher has more than \$100 of the government's money he must file a return. Employers are required to file this Social Security before

Jan. 31, 1958. All necessary information and forms are in supply at the Farm Bureau office in Littlefield and farmers and ranchers in the County are invited to use this service free.

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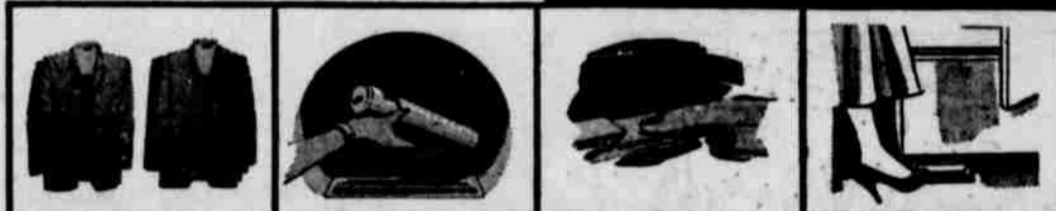
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**Raddy Kilowatt**  
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# SEASONS' GREETINGS

from your **SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY**





# Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little girl 3 1/2 years old. I have been pretty good, and would like a Tiny Tears Doll and a doll buggy, and Santa please don't forget my little sister Paula, she is 8 months old, bring her some stuffed toys.  
Thank you, We both love you and are looking forward to Christmas.  
Pam Hastey

Dear Santa,  
I have a sister 3 years old and we would like very much to have some doll clothes for the pretty dolls that you gave us last year for Christmas.  
And maybe a few surprises for us since we have been pretty good. Thank you,  
Shelly & Tammy Bagwell  
502 Cundiff Ave.  
Littlefield, Texas

## Views From Pleasant Valley

Mrs. Bonnie Haberer was hostess for a pre-Christmas dinner at her home last Sunday. Guests present were Mrs. Dora Terry, Mrs. Lena Hite, Mrs. Zou Wilson and Mrs. Marie Beck. The serving table was laid with a lace cloth centered by a crystal cake stand with a Christmas cake on it.  
Place cards were Christmas cards with a lace handkerchief inside each.  
The afternoon was completed by singing Christmas carols accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Zou Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hicks and son Robert of Farwell visited Friday morning in the Leroy Hicks' home. The Louis Hicks were on their way to Oklahoma to spend the holidays.

Darla and Denise Spitzer attended the birthday party honoring their cousin Brenda Black on her 8th birthday recently. Brenda is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Black of this community.

Mrs. Vera Engelking entered the Plainview hospital Thursday. The community extends sympathy to the O. E. Greens due to the recent death of Mrs. Green's mother, Mrs. Britton of Eden, Texas.

Mrs. Celia Matthieson is staying in the home of her son and family, the Roland Matthiesons in Muleshoe for a few weeks.

Kenneth Landers is home now from the Lubbock hospital. Kenneth was in an accident recently and had his legs crushed. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Landers, formerly of this community.

Leroy Hicks and Jack Calhoun were in Friena Monday afternoon attending a farm sale.

Vicki Julian stayed with Mrs. Jack Calhoun Monday, while her parents, the Jack Jullians went Christmas shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Rseford Calhoun of Monahans and Mrs. Edna Calhoun from Midland spent the weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Calhoun and family.

W. E. Angeley from Morton was visiting relatives in the community recently.

Teresa, 3 year old daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Haberer had the misfortune of falling on a stove last Saturday and burning her hand.

Mrs. Eula Calhoun and Mrs. Leona Hicks were in Littlefield and Lubbock last Wednesday. Mrs. Leroy Hicks was a Saturday morning caller in the home of Mrs. Bonnie Haberer.

Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Angeley and family left the first of the week for California to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Angeley's mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Butler and a sister and her husband all of San Diego. The Angeleys plan to visit until the first of January.

Pat Inman from Houston came Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Inman and family.

Roy Shoemaker is driving a truck and hauling cotton for the Nickles gins in the community.

Visiting Friday evening in the home of Mrs. Bonnie Haberer was Mr. and Mrs. Roy Haberer from Dimmitt.

Mrs. E. A. Seaton of Lazbuddie community spent Saturday morning visiting in the home of her daughter and family, the Forrest Greenes.

Roland Matthieson and his mother, Mrs. Celia Matthieson visited Sunday morning in the Plainview hospital with Mrs. Vera Engelking who is a patient there. Mrs. Engelking is to go Tuesday to the home of her brother and family in Muleshoe where she will spend the Christmas holidays. Following the holidays she is to go back for further check-ups.

Several in the community are ill with bad colds and the flu this week.

Visiting in the Leroy Hicks home Sunday morning were Joe Szalay from Texline and Robert Huseman from Dimmitt.

The Pleasant Valley Gun Club sponsored a "turkey-shoot" in the P. V. Community Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 21 and 22. Turkeys and hams were given to the winners.

## LAFF-A-DAY



"Yessir... they left the towels, but..."

## High Plains Water District Election Slated Jan. 14

A district director and two Lamb County committeemen for the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 will be elected Tuesday, Jan. 14.

Candidates for the director post include Roy McQuatters Sr. of Littlefield, J. J. Hobgood of Anton and Roy Hickman of Morton.

The line-up in the race for two county committee posts shows Melton Wiseman and Henry Gilbert, both of Sudan, competing for one spot and Willie G. Green and Elmer L. McGill, both of Olton, running for the other.

Poling places in Lamb County include the courthouse in Littlefield, the city hall at Olton, the Springlake Elevator, the city hall at Sudan and the school at Spade.

## Hospital News

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Coke Hopping III of Littlefield, are the parents of a baby boy born Dec. 23, in the Littlefield Hospital. He weighed 6 lbs., 15 ozs.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcellino Flores are the parents of a baby boy born in the Littlefield Hospital, Dec. 24. He weighed 7 lbs., 9 ozs.

## ASC Sets --

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man, all of Sudan area.

F--Paul M. Lewis and Olin Powell, both of the area southwest of Littlefield, and Vic Dierling, Pep.

G--Walter J. Gray, John J. Harlan and Cecil Martin, all of Littlefield.

H--Jasper Anderson, Charles M. Vann and Leon Leonard, all of Spade.



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LIQUID OR TABLETS  
GIVES "SUPER" RELIEF  
FROM ALL THOSE MISERIES  
OF "HARD-TO-STOP" COLDS

FOR NEEDY--O. K. Yantis and Bill Lyman are shown as they packed boxes of groceries for Christmas early this week. Yantis and Lyman and other members of the Men's group of the First Methodist Church pitched in to make this Christmas for families in need. (STAFF PHOTO)

## Lampasas Flood In 1957 Sheds Light on Records During Disaster

The Lampasas flood shed an experience on the key to the official record of disaster.

It was described as a Conference on the disaster relief.

Most of the records in the courthouse building.

However, the water deep and, through floor, deed books, books, records of

PROPERTY RECORDS AGENCY

veterans' discharges, records of marriages, births and deaths, land books and records of title were in vast disarray," McGill recounted.

"Due to the flash nature of the flood, the water damage to the records was not as severe as it might have been. In almost all instances, however, the binders or covers were damaged beyond repair. In a few of the records, the water penetrated only an inch or so around the edges. In others, the pages even after a week were so thoroughly wet that droplets ran down the sheets when the books were opened."

In what McGill described as a "splendid demonstration of cooperative action" between federal, state and local officials, 160 volumes of records were gathered up at Lampasas and rushed by truck to a firm in Austin where the stichings in the bindings were

cut and the tedious job of drying each page individually was begun.

"Most of the pages were dried successfully, although it took an around-the-clock operation to accomplish it," McGill said. "If the records had been completely destroyed, the loss both financial and recordwise would have been incalculable. By archival standards the data contained in the books are basic because much of the recorded material could not be replaced."

McGill said funds for the project were provided by the local government and the Federal Civil Defense Administration, the latter acting on recommendation by the state.

This experience with what can happen to official records in time of disaster should give government officials pause, McGill commented.

"If you are that brave," he told his audience, "you might ponder the question of what registrars of vital statistics might do if confronted with 50 million casualties as a result of a nationwide attack upon this land of ours."

## Egg Nog Custom Dates Back To Early Custom

The custom of inviting friends and relatives in for cocktails or egg nog during the holiday season, so popular in America today, dates back to the old English practice of "wassailing." In Elizabethan times, no celebration was complete without the wassail bowl filled to the brim with pungent ale—a cheery invitation to all to come in and help celebrate the Yule. Then, as the guests raised their steaming mugs in a toast to Christmas, the merry cry of "What Hall!" "Wassail!" would ring joyously through the hall.

Some 60 to 70 varieties of amaryllis are native to the Americas.



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POWER BODY SHOP

**Noted Jurist Says**

**There's No Single Cause, No Single Cure For Juvenile Delinquency Cases**

**By JUDGE SARAH T. HUGHES**  
(Ed. Note: This is one of a series of articles on the state's growing problem of juvenile delinquency by one of Texas' foremost authorities on the subject, District Judge Sarah T. Hughes of Dallas, who has handled more than 25,000 juvenile and family relations cases, along with an even greater number of other civil cases in 22 years on the bench. "Family law is probably the most important phase of the law," says this internationally known jurist, whose work has been honored throughout the United States and in Europe as well, and whose name was put in nomination for vice president of the United States in 1932. A discussion of a different aspect of the problem will appear every other week.)

Plain to see is the fact that our increasing juvenile delinquency has many different and complex causes. There is no single factor which brings it about, and therefore no single cure.

But is there, perhaps, any one factor which is bigger than any other of its many causes? I think there is.

Every person, adult or child, needs—most of all—a sense of his own significance, his own individuality. A grown person wants to be recognized in his home, his church, or his club, or he loses interest. A husband who comes home and tells his wife about a

good business deal he has made wants her to listen and be interested. A wife who cooks a special treat is disappointed if she isn't complimented.

It is even more important for boys and girls to have a sense of their own significance. Failing to do it starts them on the road to delinquency, running with gangs, committing acts of vandalism so as to be considered "smart"—to be recognized by someone. A few may even get that sense of importance through robbery, rape, murder.

**No Recognition**  
I have had many cases in the Juvenile Court where I thought the principal reason for the boy or girl being there was that he or she had been given no recognition of his or her own significance.

One of my vandalism cases involved a stepfather who gave all his attention to his own children, while the mother loved her husband more than her son by her previous marriage. This made him feel left out, and he satisfied his need for recognition by joining a gang of boys in destruction of property.

Another boy, living with his father and stepmother, was required to clean house, wash dishes, and dress his younger sisters. If his mother had been tired from working all day he would not have minded being called on to help, but for a boy of 14 to be constantly required to do what he considered girls' work made him feel very insignificant in the eyes of his friends. So he began

didn't belong to him.

A third little fellow of 11, with superior intelligence, had the habit of being instigated and frequently ran away from home. He landed in jail in various Texas towns, but being confined didn't bother him, because he could brag to his friends about having been in jail.

**Something To Be Proud Of**  
Then his mother tied him to the bed for nine days, but that didn't faze him either—he could brag about that.

Finally, his mother prayed

over him, and that would have been all right if she hadn't prayed out loud that "th' devil be takin' out of Charles." That pleased him very much because he didn't know of any other boy who had the devil in him.

I'll always remember how Charles fairly beamed in court when the officer said that he had stolen 25 bicycles. He was quite sure that this was a feat no other little boy of 11 had accomplished.

**"Belonging"**  
The principal factor bringing

all three of these boys to court was a failure in the home to make them feel that they, as individuals, had any significance. There is always something to compliment a child for—to make him feel important and wanted.

There is always the chance to LISTEN with interest and affection to what he has to say, always the chance to make him feel that he "belongs" to make him feel appreciated for himself.

The story told of the prisoner

who escaped and was found by police standing in front of a poster with his picture on it. When he was asked by the officer why he was standing where he could be so readily identified, he said, "Oh, it's so wonderful to be wanted by somebody!"

**"To Know That I Matter"**  
That is what these youngsters need—to be recognized as individuals, need—to be wanted by somebody, to be important to their friends and parents.

A young boy, recently asked

what he thought he should do to stop juvenile delinquency, said, "People give me a sense of belonging, that's larger than anything else I need. Scout troops, but I need MOST is some believe in us." The recognition of their sense of belonging chiefly from parents; and that boys necessary for children into worthwhile citizens discussed in my next

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**About Your Health**  
**Fluoridation Of Water**  
**Recognized As Effective**

**By HENRY A. HOLLE, M.D.**  
Health Commissioner

Three of the greatest public health programs in history are generally acknowledged to be immunization against infectious diseases, chlorination of water and pasteurization of milk.

Now, after years of investigation, a fourth has been added—fluoridation of water to reduce tooth decay.

"What was the hope of a generation ago is now a fact of preventive dentistry," says the American Dental Association. "Today, the overwhelming accumulation of evidence on the effectiveness and safety of fluoridation is a matter of record."

Almost 1,500 United States communities, with a combined population of well over 25,000,000, are now drinking artificially fluoridated water. Millions of others are drinking water in which fluorides are naturally present.

So thoroughly has the effect of fluorides on tooth decay been investigated that the American Medical Association has recently given its unequivocal endorsement to the program, thereby joining practically every other reputable health and medical organization in the United States.

The nation's second and third largest cities—Chicago and Philadelphia—are among the cities which have fluoridation programs in operation. Other major cities now giving their children the benefit of the progressive measure are Cleveland, Baltimore, Washington, St. Louis, San Francisco, Milwaukee, and Pittsburgh.

In addition to the ability to reduce dental caries by as much as 60 per cent among children—and most authorities are convinced the benefit extends throughout life—fluoridation of community water supplies is shaping up as one of the best public health bargains of all time.

For less than 15 cents per person per year, the ravages of tooth decay can safely and conveniently be cut by two-thirds. The cost of a single filling would pay for the fluorides for one person for many years.

From an engineering standpoint, according to a water works association, the mechanism of adding fluorides to water supplies is no more involved than adding chlorine. Furthermore, fluorine is not a medicine any more than chlorine. It is not a cure-all. It cannot entirely eliminate tooth decay. It can do nothing about teeth that are already decayed.

In fluoridation we have the weapon against tooth decay that men of all ages have sought. Not a single valid argument can be

raised against it. To deny it to children is to deny them the best that preventive dentistry has to offer.

**Make Holiday Candle**  
**From Scrap Pieces**

Odds and ends of partly burned candles can be used to make a big, long-burning Christmas candle.

Melt the candles and remold them in an ice cream carton or oatmeal container, whichever is handy. Use plain cord for the wick. When the wax is beginning to harden, tie the wick to a pencil and suspend it in the wax.

Let set hard, remove the carton, and there is a nice candle for your table.

Be sure, however, that you burn the candle safely. While it is pretty and attractive and adds to your holiday decorations, it is also possible fire hazard.

Amber is used chiefly for making the mouthpieces for pipes.

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**MANY, MANY OTHER BARGAINS NOT SHOWN IN THIS AD**

## Former Major League Star Helped Himself With TB Donations

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### Good Wishes for Christmas

At this joyous season of giving and receiving, we take pleasure in extending to you our heartfelt good wishes for a very Merry Christmas! We hope that you and all your loved ones enjoy every minute of this happy holiday!

BIRKELBACK MACHINE SHOP

hadn't previously happened to me. During my lifetime I have been awarded baseball batting championships, scoring honors in college basketball, a few laurels as an amateur boxer, a room full of golf trophies and, in my elementary school days in Oklahoma, I even managed to perform the unbelievable feat of winning an oratory contest sponsored by the WCTU.

Twice pneumonia almost removed me from the land of the living once in Chicago hoodlum name Little Augie tried to erase me, I fell from horses while appearing in Honest Bill Newton's Wild West Show and Circus, I've been attacked by a barracuda, on various occasions I have survived airplane mishaps, and back in younger days of saxophone playing I escaped unscathed from attacks by unwilling listeners and music lovers.

I've had many angry pitchers

throw at my head with malice in their hearts, I toured angry and active war zones during World War II, I hit a home run off old Grover Cleveland Alexander, and I've even been married twice. With a record like that there isn't much left for a man to do except get tuberculosis. Now I can boast of having lived a "well-rounded" life. A few more weeks in this hospital and I'll be well-rounded for sure. Food here has already added seven pounds and before long I'll be up to playing weight.

I guess we had a bunch of healthy friends and neighbors out in my part of Oklahoma, because I did not have a personal encounter with tuberculosis until I was 19 years old and playing my first season of professional baseball with the San Francisco Seals of the Pacific Coast League.

I had gone to training camp that spring as a pitcher, but a strained shoulder muscle ended my pitching career before the season opened. Still trying to stick with the Frisco club, I went to the outfield and was doing my level best to convince someone that I might make a hitter.

Nobody was much impressed except Jack "Dots" Miller, manager of the Seals. The top brass on the Seals was all for giving me my release before I started costing them a salary, but Miller had such faith in me that he offered to pay me out of his own pocket if San Francisco would just keep me. Finally in the first month of the season Dots played me in a double-header at Seattle and I got eight hits in 10 times at bat. After that he finally convinced Charley Graham, president of the Seals, that I might make a ball player.

Unfortunately, I never had an opportunity to fully justify the faith Dots placed in me. A month after my debut Dots came into the clubhouse one day and said, "Boys, I'll be saying goodbye. The doctors say I have tuberculosis so I guess this is the end."

That was in 1923 and in those days tuberculosis was as dreaded a cancer as today. I'll never forget the gloom that hung over the locker room the afternoon Dots hung up his spikes for the last time. We were all thinking the same thing. We were all thinking, "This is the end for poor Dots."

His wife took him to Saranac Lake, N.Y., and he died there

three months later. I'm glad I had enough consideration for others to write Dots some cheerful — I hope they were cheerful — letters. Now I'm having my chance to learn how much letters can mean.

Now 34 years have gone by, thousands of dollars have been spent on research and detection, and dedicated men have invested lifetimes in working toward the eradication of tuberculosis. So 34 years later the only similarity between Dots' case and mine is that we both enjoy receiving mail.

Dots was filled with despair and foreboding when he left his home run. Tuberculosis is still un- his one-way trip to the sanatorium. When I left those grand fellows in Milwaukee who were soon to become world champions I was filled with hope.

When Dots talked from the clubhouse 34 years ago we said, "So long, Skipper, God bless you."

When I left the offices of the Milwaukee Braves in August to return to Sarasota and then enter the cararotica the fellows on the team and the gang in the front office said, "See you next season." The dread was gone from the word "tuberculosis."

Progress? Brother, to the person afflicted with tuberculosis the last 34 years represent real life-saving progress!

Don't get me wrong. . . . I didn't joyfully caper off to this hospital with the same enthusiasm I had when I circled to bases after touching Dizzy Dean for a one run. Tuberculosis is still unpleasant, and, in some cases, tragic. Yet the difference between night and day isn't as great as the difference between lying in a hospital bed filled with despair and lying in that bed filled with hope on the knowledge that some day you will go back out through the front door.

In my case a series of respiratory troubles afflicted me most of last winter and on into the summer. After a bout with pneumonia in Alpine, Texas, in July I returned to Milwaukee and was ordered by the ball club to enter a hospital for a complete check-up.

After spending a few days in the hospital I felt much better and I told the club I was ready to return to work. I made a western trip to visit farm teams in Topeka, Wichita, Salinas and Boise and the afternoon I returned to Milwaukee there was a message to immediately telephone my physician, Dr. Ramlow. He said, "Paul, some problems have come up over your tests and you had better see me the first thing in the morning."

I guess everybody has become cancer-conscious, so the thought, "I'll bet he's found a cancer" was the first one to cross my mind. A sister of mine died of this disease, so I have had some personal contact with it. That was a trouble-filled night and the next morning I was filled with some apprehension as I waited to see the doctor.

After going through this worry it came almost as a relief when he told me I had tuberculosis and that the disease had been un-

covered in its earliest stages. However, the news certainly was not welcome. I had waited four years to see the 'dads I nursed up through the Braves' farm system play in a World Series and it was a blow to miss being a part of that final drive for the pennant, television set in my hospital room was not a matter of watching from a seat I would have willingly chosen.

Nor is the thought of long confinement a welcome one. Born and reared in an atmosphere of freedom of choice, freedom of movement and freedom of opportunity, it is not easy for us to accept the idea of immobility and confinement.

When I entered the hospital I had all sorts of visions. I could see myself being probed and poked at and poked like a guinea pig. I suspected I would be permanently relieved of my cigarettes. I thought I would be forced to lie flat on my back and I feared the long hours of nothing to do.

That's not how it worked out. After preliminary tests I have given a course of treatment as simple as swallowing a pill. These pills are the new wonder drugs developed through research as a means of drastically reducing the length of time a patient must stay in a hospital and of speeding up healing processes.

I have kept my cigarettes, although sometimes I almost wish they would take them from me, I have plenty of good food, I can spend much of each day sitting here at my typewriter, and all in all, time passes so rapidly that I no longer bother to count the days. I read. I visit back and forth with other patients, I can walk in the hall and I can watch television until the irritation of moronic commercials forces me to rise and turn it off.

I always gave without a mild promise than most in that I am not faced with economic disaster. Milwaukee pays me on a six-month basis and I drew full salary for this season. So I am in a much better position than the head of a family who must rely on receiving a weekly paycheck for 52 weeks each year.

Yet even those who suffer economically because of confinement are in a far better position today than they were 10, 20, or 30 years ago. In the past a tubercular patient who survived the disease was lucky if he could get out of a hospital and back on a payroll in two years. Now they are going out of her in six months — some even sooner. So the length of time the person is damaged seriously from a financial standpoint is being constantly lessened.

Enforced idleness provides an opportunity to think and reflect and if I was the "blushing type" my cheeks would turn a little crimson as I recall an item of mail that used to arrive for me each November.

It was the annual letter containing the TB Christmas Seals and the appeal for money to help in the fight against tuberculosis. I always gave, but I cannot say

I always gave without a mild protest. The expenses of Christmas were always as great around my house as around the houses of everyone else, so I can recall opening the letter containing the seals and exclaiming, "Oh no, don't tell me someone else is wanting money."

Thirty years ago, 20 years ago, 19 years ago, even last year, if someone had told me that the money solicited by the TB Association might spare my life and would certainly spare me years of confinement I would have laughed and asked incredulously, "Who, me?"

Then sometime during the holiday season I would sit down, sigh and write out a check for the county TB chapter. As I placed it in the envelope I might remark, "I hope this helps some poor fellow." Well, it did. It helped me.



Christmas is a happy season of giving and receiving, of good times and good cheer. Here's wishing you all its pleasures.

Christmas is a holy season, a time to worship and rejoice. May its deepest spiritual meaning bring you peace and joy.

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### GREETINGS

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# EDITORIALS

## Tax Man Sam Sez

A lot of folks will argue with you on how good the 'good old days' were but not many folks will argue that times haven't changed. A lot of boys and girls in high schools and colleges work on part-time jobs and especially summer jobs. These students had income tax withheld from their wages but did not make over \$600 in many cases. Fortunately, the law provides for Dad to claim them as an exemption as well as allowing the student an exemption for himself on his own income tax return, providing Dad furnished chief support (more than 50%) for Junior. It will pay the students to look up their Form W-2 statement of income tax withheld and be ready to file their income tax return on January 1. The sooner they file, the sooner they will get a refund of the income taxes withheld from their wages last summer.

## A Letter To Santa

This letter was first published in the San Antonio Express during the Christmas Season of 1952. The writer was Miss Lois Weekes, then Society Editor, and now an Odessa housewife. It has a universal appeal and is especially fitting in these days when we sometimes tend to forget the real meaning of Christmas.

Mr. Santa Claus  
% 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 underestimated you through the years, Mr. C., or forgotten our relationship. I've been giving your letters to my father to mail and its 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 nice to me, then" from him. And we laughed and my mother cried.

I still believe in you, you see. 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 the 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 remind us all that it is a birthday we are sed 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, 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 expense 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 shopworn sentiment 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 this age of automobiles and atoms. So don't ever go mechanized, Mr. Claus.  
Sincerely Yours,  
Lois Weekes

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## Highlights and Sidelights From Your State Capitol

By VERN SANFORD  
Texas Press Association

AUSTIN, Tex. — Floods, tornadoes and hurricanes brought 10 years of drought to a close. Reservoirs then filled to 91 per cent of capacity—a two-years supply. But Lampasas, Dallas, Silverton, and other towns added up damage toll of more than \$100,000,000. Pasturage flourished, but many crops washed away or rotted. Water's importance couldn't be ignored. Result: Legislature passed two major measures. People approved \$200,000,000 bond-selling amendments for water conservation projects.

2. ICT FAILS — Ben Jack Cage became a household word after the crash of an empire he had built with heavy investments from organized labor. Losses were estimated at \$4,500,000. Two legislative committees and two grand juries spent months trying to untangle ICT's fantastic history. Cage was indicted. After his return from South America, he was convicted on embezzlement charges and still faces trial on other indictments.

3. EX-OFFICIALS ENMESHED — Former Insurance Commissioners J. Byron Saunders and Garland Smith, were accused of receiving money from ICT while they were in office. Both were indicted on perjury charges. Trials are pending.

4. INSURANCE REORGANIZATION — Texas insurance regulation must start over with a clean slate, declared Gov. Price Daniel shortly after taking

he pushed the insurance reorganization bill through the Legislature. It enabled him to appoint red department.

But more static developed in the special sessions. Senate tried to oust the new commissioner, William A. Harrison. Attorney General's opinion said they had no say — so over Harrison's appointment. However, the Insurance Department still faces continued critical surveillance from disgruntled senators.

5. COX CONVICTED — Things talked about for years erupted into the open with the sensational resignation, indictment and conviction of Rep. James E. Cox of Comroe. A tape recording of a conversation between Cox and a Naurupathic Association leader was the prime evidence used to back up a charge that Cox had agreed to accept a \$5,000 bribe. This provided extra fuel for the reform drive. A code of ethics and lobby registration laws were passed.

6. NEW SEGREGATION LAWS — East Texas legislators put plenty of steam behind proposals designed to preserve local authority over school segregation. Futile filibusters caused delays, but five bills were passed. They'll probably be in the news again as opponents bring them to tests in courts.

7. OIL SAGS — Violent fluctuations in Texas oil production gave everyone the jitters. Pressure from the Suez Canal crisis forced

## DOWN MEMORY LANE

(From the files of the Lamb County Leader, Feb. 2, 1933)

Work is under way in widening of highway 7 through Lamb County.

J. W. James was elected head of the Littlefield School Board.

Mrs. Jack Farr entertained the Bi-centennial Contact Bridge Club with a Valentine party.

The Boy Scouts put on a program for the local PTA.

Dwain Kennedy is the new manager of the Piggly Wiggly market.

production allowable to an all-time high of 18 production days in March. But Suez reopened and foreign oil came flooding back into the U.S.A. Texas' allowable had tumbled to 13 producing days by July siddled to an all-time low of 12 in September. President's order for voluntary import cuts brought some hope.

8. RAIDS — Attorney General Will Wilson padlocked Galveston gambling houses with less repercussion than the Pleasure Isle's economy than expected. Latest Wilson raids rounded up naturopaths on charges of violating the Medical Practice Act.

9. RUN-OFFS DECREED — Almost forgotten now is the furor over the Pool Bill to require a run-off in special elections. Ralph Yarborough became junior U. S. senator in an old-style one-shot election. Then the Legislature passed a bill requiring run-off elections in the future.

10. MONEY SHORTAGE — It didn't make black headlines, but it troubled men in high places. By the end of the second special session, the Legislature had scraped the bottom of the state treasury. Comptroller predicted the state would be \$12,000,000 in the red by 1959. Depressed oil, a prime tax source, and extra sessions contributed to the problem. But most people agreed that Texas was bursting its fiscal seams from inevitable growth. A special Tax Study Commission is studying the issue over-all. Observers say new taxes are unavoidable.

MORE INSURANCE WOES — Texas insurance world is "all shook up" again. Fuse was re-lit when the Senate investigating committee announced it had uncovered a \$2,000 gift from a company president, to an Insurance Department employe. Sen. Charles Herring of Austin, committee chairman, called a new round of hearings.

Insurance Commissioner William A. Harrison fired the employe, Examiner J. W. Pierson, who had been in the department 24 years. He demanded removal of the company president, John L. McCarty of Estate Life Ins. Co., Amarillo, McCarty resigned. Estate officials swung back, threatened to sue the department. They contend the company was riddled in a department-approved reinsurance contract tak-

## The Sandhills Philosopher

### Parity Plan To Equalize Yule Gift Giving Urged

Editor's note: The Sandhills Philosopher on his Johnson grass farm won't get anywhere with his idea, but that's his concern, not ours.

Dear editor: Here it is, the Christmas season is upon us again and still Washington hasn't done anything about my proposal to get yuletide parity in the exchange of Christmas gifts.

Under the present system when a man starts in buying gifts for everybody on his family's list, including the laws, he has no more idea whether the gifts coming in will equal the gifts going out than a farmer knows when he starts a farming year whether he'll come out even or not.

Under my proposal, the government would step in and make up the difference.

Say you whittled your list down to the bare minimum bought presents for those you felt you simply had to, on the basis of they're the ones you figure will give you a present, but when all the unwrapping is completed on Christmas Day you find out you over-estimated some of your relatives and friends and while you sent them a gift, all you got in return was a dime-store Christmas card, some of them clearly held over from last year.

Obviously, you're below parity.

and the Federal government to make up the difference next year you'll remember those who you, in turn skip them, giving snowballs from the other end of the stick, whether and die and you use business and you'll see what will do to the economy.

You might say what a lot of the Federal government I'm here to tell you Washington gets from arms is piled up in it as a direct result of business, and you take much income tax and get a satellite launch without a satellite, how the United States its head up much though if these guidelines can do all they say the nation with its head down be the one that lasts.

If you think this Parity idea has any will appreciate your touch with our Congress for the new session in January. It's too late Christmas, but regarding how the Russians do Christmas, I figure the others. It'll probably be long after the Russians Merry Christmas. Yours faithfully, J. A.



## Season's GREETING

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**NO. 303** 2 FOR **29¢**  
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**BEANS** NO. 2 1/2 CAN **19¢**  
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## Attempt Made To Draft Farm Program With Commodity Approach At Meeting

LUBBOCK — Representatives of 35 different commodity groups met in Kansas City Dec. 11-12 in an attempt to draft an over-all farm program with a commodity approach.

George W. Pfeiffenberger, Executive Vice-President of the Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., represented this organization and the American Cotton Producer Associates and presented a program for cotton.

Other field crop commodity groups there with programs included grain sorghum, corn and wheat producers.

Present plans call for the steering committee of the National Commodity Conference to meet with the House Agriculture Committee in January. Another general meeting of the conference will probably be held in February to formulate further plans, Pfeiffenberger said.

The cotton proposal calls for objectives to revive the present market with these steps: 1. Cotton be priced competitively for foreign and domestic use in order to reduce the present surplus and expand markets for cotton. 2. Cotton acreage allotments to producers be increased to provide an adequate supply of cotton as demand increases and permit the farmer to use his land and equipment more efficiently. 3. Provide an equitable income to the producer commensurate with other segments of our economy.

Pfeiffenberger explained these objectives can be accomplished through the PGC backed legislative bill as proposed by the American Cotton Producer Associates.

The corn and sorghum proposal calls for repeal of the corn acreage allotments and establishment of a corn and sorghum base for each farm. The program is designed to bring feed grain supply in balance with consumption and reduce the present over-supply to normal carryover reserve requirement levels.

Price supports shall be made available to individual producers of corn and sorghum, based upon the degree of participation as measured by the extent of under-planting of the base acreage and the retiring of such acreage from the production of any crops for harvest or pasturage in any manner.

The wheat growers recognize that the capacity of the U.S. Ag-

## 37th Annual Pastors' Meet Set Feb. 3-4

PLAINVIEW — The 37th annual Panhandle-South Plains Pastors' and Laymen's Conference has been set for Feb. 3-4 at Wayland Baptist College, according to Rev. Milo Arbuckle, president and pastor of First Baptist Church, Lamesa.

Outstanding scholars, Dr. Frank Stage, New Orleans Baptist Seminary; Dr. Carl J. Giers, pastor, First Baptist Church, Chattanooga, Tenn.; and President A. Hope Owen of Wayland Baptist College have been secured for the six sessions. Dr. Stage will lecture on "Baptist Distinctives", Dr. Giers will be guest preacher, and Dr. Owen will lead the Bible study.

For music, Joe Whitten, Pampa, and Edward L. Wittner, Lamesa are in charge of group singing and will furnish solos. Earl W. Miller, Wayland, will be organist. Special music will feature John Ward, Plainview; Dr. N. J. Ellis, Pampa; Gene Kitter-

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Men who are interested in these positions are asked to send their application to the Texas Department of Public Safety, 1001 North Main Street, Austin, Texas. Closing date for applications is Jan. 10, 1958. This area will be filled on Jan. 14, 1958.

## Hart Happen

Mr. and Mrs. L. Wayne spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Billy Pierce at Mr. and Mrs. James Rano, Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Roysons were to spend Osth with his mother in Littlefield. Mr. Osth also visit in the grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Smith in Plainview. The meeting place of other relatives in Osth's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Wayne spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. and children and Mr. and Mrs. O. Tilling at Earth.

Mr. and Mrs. Gert and Kathy of Littlefield, Mrs. Don Muller and Mr. and Mrs. James Mark and Patti, were Christmas Day in the home.

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## Navy To Add 500 Officers Trained In Science Annually

Five hundred officers, trained in the field of science, will be added to the ranks of the Navy and Marine Corps annually under a new educational program announced by Secretary of the Navy Thomas S. Gates.

Beginning with the school year 1958-1959 that number of enlisted men will be enrolled in civilian institutions of higher learning for four year courses leading to a degree of Bachelor of Science and to commissions in the Navy.

Emphasis in their studies will be placed on mathematics and the physical sciences. During summer vacation periods the students will be assigned to Navy laboratories and other scientific establishments to study application of the sciences.

The basis of selection of enlist-

ed men for this higher study will be intelligence and aptitude. Students will receive the pay and allowances of their rates while attending college and the Navy Department will pay costs of their education.

They will be required to remain on active duty, as officers, for a period of time equal to the time they are enrolled in the program.

A selection board consisting of Naval officers and civilians experienced in the field of education will be convened to pass upon applicants for the new program. Those selected will be offered for enrollment in colleges and universities subject to the rules of the institutions concerned.

## Candles Have Various Legends

Candles have long had their place in legends and in the observance of the holiday of Christmas.

In Ireland on Christmas Eve a large candle was burned which could be snuffed out only by one named Mary. As the Irish put it: "Who knows, on some Christmas Eve, Jesus and Mary and Joseph may come again, not to Palestine but to the Holy Isle on the farthest edge of Europe?"

The first use of candles for Christmas is not recorded in the annals of any nation but according to a old legend the "Christ Child Candle" is burned in the window to light His way if He makes an earthly visitation and in atonement for the night of His birth when there was no room for Him.

During the early days of our country, animal fats were relatively scarce. The branches of the bayberry shrub were covered with wax-giving berries and children were given the task of gathering the berries when candles had to be made so that the animal fats could be conserved.

According to tradition, one who burned a bayberry candle on Christmas Eve of Christmas Day would have long life and a happy one.

An old verse reads:  
 "To learn your luck for the year they say,  
 Burn a bayberry dip on Christmas Day.  
 If the flame burns bright and the light shines clear,  
 Good luck will be yours throughout the year."

## New Year Observed Around The World

New Year traditions are universal, although there may be calendar variations or differences in the race and creed of the observants.

The Chinese, for example, believe in getting the New Year off to a good start by paying up all their debts on New Year's Eve. And the English claim it's a good idea to start a savings account on January 1, since what you do on New Year's Day is indicative of what the ensuing year will be like. A round loaf of bread dipped in honey symbolizes Jewish hopes for a smooth (the roundness of the bread) and prosperous (the honey) New Year.

The same spirit of hospitality and sociability that makes the Wassail Bowl such a success in Scotland prompts Armenian housewives of Persia to get up early on New Year's Day and set about baking the traditional New Year cakes.

The baking must be done early, for the New Year is the day for visiting and entertaining.

A complete round of ammunition is the necessary materials for firing a weapon once.

## Lucia Day Celebration Open Sweden's Season

Celebration of Lucia Day on December 13 inaugurates the Christmas season in Sweden. It takes its name from St. Lucia, or Lucy, martyred for her faith and virginity in Syracuse in 304 A.D. and venerated by the church each December 13.

The prettiest blond in every home, office, factory, village and town is elected a "Lucia" and visits the sick, leads carnivals and processions and attends banquets and balls accompanied by her "handmaidens."

The ancient custom coincides with the winter solstice, when the sun swings toward the earth once more and the days begin to lengthen.

## Here's Safety Rules For Boy's First Firearm

If you are giving your son a gun for Christmas, don't just hand it to him with the simple admonition "be careful," warn the editors of "Changing Times," the Kiplinger Magazine. You should see that he gets adequate instruction and that he uses the gun only under the supervision of an experienced adult.

Competent instruction is widely available today through rifle clubs, many of which are in high schools and junior highs. Membership in such a club solves the problem of where a boy may do his shooting after he has learned how.

In addition to this basic instruction, there are five safety rules which your son should learn by heart for his future well-being:

1. Treat every gun as if it were loaded.
2. Keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction—away from everyone, including yourself.
3. Be sure of your target.
4. Be sure of your backstop. Backstops have one purpose—to stop the bullet. Continued firing may wear some away.
5. Know your gun and ammunition. Only a clean gun in good condition is safe. And make sure your ammunition is the right kind for the gun you are using.

## Hot Punches Gain New Holiday Popularity

Hot punches, gaining new popularity in America, have never gone out of favor in England where punch bowls are a frequent sight, usually of polished silver to hold hot brews. These zesty punches may be mild or glowing.

For mild drinks there is spiced tea with cloves, cinnamon and nutmeg added before brewing, then combined with heated fruit juices. For glowing drinks there is Mulled Cider, simmered with spices and served with floating orange slices; or the traditional Tom and Jerry, served traditionally early, its brandy frothy with egg, and spiced.

## Christmas Belongs To All Ages, To All People

Is it true, as they say, that Christmas belongs to the children?

Christmas is indeed a time when hearts must be young but it is not only the child who can know and share the love and faith and hope that brightens the heart at Christmas time.

Christmas is a great spiritual occasion and the atmosphere of permeates the world of the young excitement and anticipation that has a deeper, more significant counterpart in the world of the elder generation. The hard-boiled, the cynical and the disbelievers cannot enter into the spirit of Christmas. Their hearts are too heavy, too filled with guilt and inner fears, and they close their eyes to all but the material aspects of the holiday observance. But there are those at all ages whose heart becomes filled with the wondrous glory of the occasion, who see beyond the glitter and tinsel and who enter with the faith of a little child into the realm of the spirit unknown as Christmas. For all these, there is joy and peace and happiness.

## Belongs to All

Christmas belongs only to the children? Christmas belongs to us all. It is ours to share, to the fullest measure. And, if the truth be known, we elders have a much greater share in the holiday than our children. To them, Christmas is bright lights and Santa Claus and snow and tinsel on the tree, and toys and fruits and good things to eat, and the mere act of giving and receiving. Have you ever considered the fact that we share in all these aspects of the holiday—in addition to the deeper, truer meaning of Christmas, and the most important part, which the very young heart is yet

unable to understand and comprehend?

Christmas belongs to the children? No, Christmas is ours. A part of the holiday, a bright and shiny part, belongs to the children. But they must grow in year and faith and wisdom before they can really share in the whole and complete spirit of Christmas.

## Modern World Needs St. Nick

Every December many parents are faced with the problem of what to do or what to say about Santa Claus. Some of our educators have been saying for years that the Santa theory is all wrong and some of today's "modern" parents seem to agree.

But is the Saint Nick idea good or bad for children? We say it is good and that no child, be he average or brilliant, ever suffered from the grand illusion. Children know there is a Santa Claus and they accept the fact that he gradually changes from the Santa of fiction to the bill-paying Santa of reality.

Santa is good for small children, for children have imaginative minds. The fact they might see a Santa on every corner matters little. In their eyes Santa is a symbol, a mystery, and in his wondrous magic, is apt to pop up anywhere.

## Time to Explain

And it is not the end of the world when the time comes that some older child shatters the illusion by telling all. Such is the perfect opportunity for the wise parent to explain that Santa is, after all, a spirit of Christmas. He represents the spirit of giving and the reason that we give at Christmas time is because this is the day on which Jesus was born. Jesus taught us love and faith and hope and Santa is a figurative being who helps us understand and use that teaching.

He whose birth we celebrate brought to earth the gifts of love and peace, understanding and good will. May all these great gifts be yours.



**Joy at Christmas**

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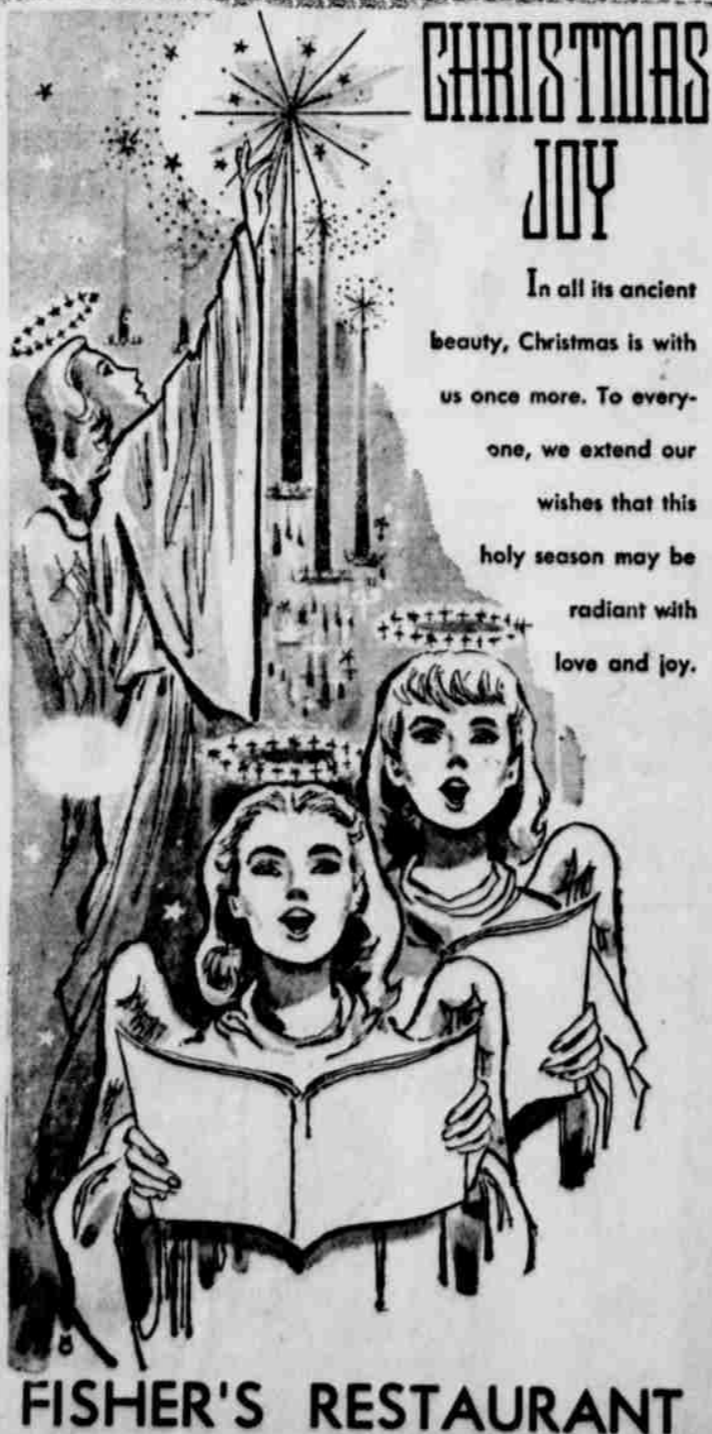
**Cheerio and Merry Christmas!**

It's a pleasure for us to wish each of you a jolly Holiday Season, filled with good times aplenty, good friends galore, good health and happiness for you and your loved ones always!

**NEEDLES TIRE**

**CHRISTMAS JOY**

In all its ancient beauty, Christmas is with us once more. To everyone, we extend our wishes that this holy season may be radiant with love and joy.



**FISHER'S RESTAURANT**

**Season's Greetings**



Our sincere thanks for your loyal patronage, and may this holiday season be one that you will always look back on with the greatest of pleasure.

**Hazel's Beauty Shop**

**GREETINGS**

We like to keep Christmas reverently, in full awareness of its deep spiritual significance. And we like to keep Christmas as He would have us do, with peace and good will, with friendly greetings to all.



**LITTLEFIELD IMPLEMENT**

May this holy Christmas lift your spirit and bring you warmth and happiness.



**MUTT HOUK GROCERY**

**GREETINGS**

Just a friendly note to thank you for your past holiday season and wish you and your loved ones good health and much happiness.



**BILL KELLY BILL HEINZ**

**KELLY INSURANCE AGENCY**



THE ROTARIANS—Members of Mrs. Quinton Bellomy's class sang and put on a Christmas show for the

Rotary Club at the Methodist Church last week. (STAFF PHOTO)

## You Can Make Christmas Safe By Just Being Careful

The Christmas season is indeed a happy one, but few people stop to think of the added fire hazards their home contains during this time of the year.

The Christmas tree, the center of all the pretty decorations, can be one of the principal hazards if certain precautions are not followed, warns W. L. Ulich, extension agricultural engineer.

A freshly cut tree should be selected just a few days before Christmas, advises Ulich. Cut the base of the tree diagonally and keep the base submerged in water. Locate it away from fireplaces, powerful electric lights, radiators or other sources of

heat. Use only Underwriters Laboratories approved lights for the tree and inspect them carefully for frayed cords and damaged sockets, says the engineer. Avoid overloading electrical circuits with additional lights, toys and appliances.

Only nonflammable decorations should be used on the tree, he cautions. Turn the tree lights off when retiring or leaving the house. Discard the tree when the needles begin to dry and fall off. Also remove Christmas package wrappings as soon as they have been taken from the packages. This is also a time for smokers

to take special precautions. Extra care should be taken with cigarettes, cigars and pipes around all flammable materials.

Observance of these few rules can result in a safer and happier Christmas season for the whole family, concludes Ulich.

## Let Children Help Prepare Holiday

Children learn the real meaning of Christmas when you let them participate in preparations and activities.

Making gifts for someone special is a project that even a three-year old can do. Children can fill pretty jars with sand to make attractive doorstops. They can make clove apples to add spice to handkerchief drawers. Even their

simple drawings make gifts that parents cherish.

Baking cookies and making Christmas decorations also put children in spirit of things. And even small children in spirit of things. And even small children can string popcorn and cranberries for tree trimmings.

Making Christmas cards shows children that there is more to the cards than the actual sending. You particularly want friends to know you are thinking of them at Christmas time, and children can learn this early.

Music is a part of Christmas and offers another opportunity to put meaning into the holiday for children, who enjoy singing.

Ancient Greeks wore amethysts in the belief that they lessened the intoxicating effects of alcohol.

## Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little girl from Jacksonville, Florida and I'm visiting my grandmommie and granddaddy in Littlefield. Would you please bring me a record player and some records for Christmas. Bring my little brother, Jerry Jr. a rubber baseball doll and bring us lots of candy and nuts.

I am three years old and have been a good girl. Love, Rebecca Lynn Young, Jacksonville, Fla.

Spade, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl almost two years old. I would like to have a tiny-tears doll and a vacuum cleaner so I can help mommy. Please bring Linda all the things she wants too, and remember all the other boys and girls.

I love you, Brenda Hopper

Spade, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl four years old, but I would like to have some boy toys, especially a pogo stick. I would also like a tiny-tears doll and a refrigerator to go with the stove you gave me last year.

Please remember my little sister Brenda and all my cousins and friends.

I live two miles east of Spade.

I love you, Linda Hopper

Littlefield, Texas

Dear Santa,

I want some trucks, a punching bag, guns and holster set, monopoly set, and candy, fruit and nuts. Also bring a bowling set for Kathy and me.

We will be at Big Mothers in Gainesville, so dont forget us.

I love you, Gary Pirkey,

Dear Santa,

I am four years old. Please bring me a doll with some clothes, play pen, and stroller, a ring, a horn, and candy, fruit and nuts.

Thank you, Kahby Pirkey

1215 E. 8th St. Littlefield, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am 2 years old and I try to be a good boy. Would you please bring me a choo-choo train and a maintainer?

Be good to the other boys and girls too.

Your friend, Bruce Allen Peel

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl 3 years old and I have a little brother Billy who is 5 mo. old. I would like to have a big doll and a set of dishes. Please bring Billy a "Donald Duck Doll." I have been a pretty good girl and I love you very much.

Teresa Templeton

Merry Christmas

Here's hoping your Christmas gifts include good health, good fellowship and good cheer! Happy holiday to all!

CITY BEAUTY SALON

NOEL

Here's a happy, hearty wish for your Christmas cheer! And here's a hope that you may have joy now and in the coming year. To you we send the season's best, and may you all be greatly blessed with friends and fellowship galore, and with good things by the score.

BYERS Grain & Feed LITTLEFIELD

Season's Greetings

Just dropped by to tell you how much we appreciate your patronage and to wish you all the joys of this festive holiday season! Good luck and much happiness!

ROBERT'S LUMBER



It's always such a pleasure to get in touch with you like this when Christmastime is here. It is a time for remembering old acquaintances, renewing old friendships — a time when eyes are alight and hearts are warm with the glow of giving and sharing happiness. May we add our wish that all of you, our friends and patrons, may enjoy the blessings of a very Merry Christmas!



REAST OIL CO.  
PHILLIPS 66  
Littlefield

# Greetings

As this festive season gets into full swing, we take pleasure in wishing you a full share of its joys and blessings.

**DANIELL MOTEL**



**PUT ON SHOW FOR LIONS**—Here are members of Mrs. Robert Richey's kindergarten class as they put on their show for the Lions Club in the Community Center last week. (STAFF PHOTO)

## Season's Greetings

To everyone, we have a very joyous Holiday Season... which will long be treasured for its many happy memories.

**CONNELL TYPEWRITERS**

### TIDINGS OF JOY

We offer to all our many friends our best wishes for a joyous Holiday season.

**COX TIN SHOP**

## Gives 'Sense Of Knowingness' 'Braille' Map Of Texas Tech Used To Aid 10 Blind College Students

LUBBOCK — What does a blind person do when he enters a strange town alone?

The first place to go is the police station, says Jerry Dunham, blind Texas Tech graduate student.

"I ask about the main streets, location of the railroad tracks, lakes and ponds. I also find out how the streets are named," Dunham said.

"Otherwise I have to ask about a half a dozen persons before I find one who can visualize their town in the way it helps me."

Developing a "sense of knowingness" about their surroundings—whether they are in a room or in a city—is important to the blind.

To aid the ten blind students at Texas Tech, the Vocational Rehabilitation Counseling program has developed a "Braille" map of the campus. Brain-child of William

L. Dauterman, assistant professor of psychology, and Jerry Dunham, graduate student, the scale model of the campus (one-inch equals 100-feet) gives a blind person a mental picture of the space relationships of buildings, walkways and streets at Tech. Both Dauterman and Dunham are blind.

String glued to the board outlines every sidewalk, subwalk and street on the campus.

"We are now in process of coding the buildings in Braille," Dr. Robert Anderson, vocational rehabilitation director, said. He pointed out that while a blind student soon knows the area around the rehabilitation offices, Home Economics Building and the Tech Book Store, he has no idea of the size or direction of buildings elsewhere on the campus.

However, most blind persons are not so fortunate as to have a

Braille map of their locality. That makes the use of a cane and accurate information about their surroundings important.

Like the majority of states, Texas has a "White Cane" law that is designed to give blind persons protection in traffic. While many Texans are unaware of the law, it's on the statute books that pedestrians and automobile drivers must take precautions to protect and give right-of-way to a blind person. Normally they carry an all white cane or one that is white and red.

A fine of \$200 may be assessed drivers failing to yield, right-of-way to the blind, District Attorney George Gilkerson said.

According to Dunham, the blind are actually taught how to use a cane. While working for the Kansas Rehabilitation Center for the Blind, Dunham taught an estimated 300 persons how to use a cane so that they may travel un-

assisted.

What about "seeing-eye" guide dogs?

"Only about five per cent of the blind population should or can use a dog successfully," Dunham commented. "If a blind person is taught to move about with a cane first, he can use a dog better if he obtains one."

Jerry points out that a blind person with a long cane, say four-feet long, can move much faster since it reaches out further in front.

Using it rhythmically the blind student puts the cane before the foot that isn't forward and touches a path wide enough to protect an area the width of his shoulders. In a grocery store, he carries the cane very lightly in his finger tips to avoid knocking over merchandise or other accidents.

**HOLIDAY DECORATIONS**

Instead of the conventional wreath on the outside of your door why not string some bells and tree ornaments on narrow bays by ribbon and hang from a huge red bow?

Make your door and window frames bright and cheerful by framing them with ribbon and sprigs of holly. Hang the ribbon in festoons across the curtains and tie at the sides in wide sash bows for colorful effect.

**Season's Greetings**

We're entering the Holiday scene with sincere thanks and the Season's best wishes to all our patrons whose good will and confidence we value so highly.

**F. L. Newton Insurance**

Merry Christmas

May all the joys and blessings of the Holiday Season come knocking at your door at Christmastime!

**ARMES CHEVROLET**

# Christmas

No other word brightens the eyes of children and warms the hearts of adults so quickly! No other words express our wishes so well —

**MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!**

**FIRST NATIONAL BANK**  
AMHERST, TEXAS

"Oh, come, let us adore Him!"

Today, as of old, the promise of Peace and Good Will inspires mankind with new hope as Christmastime approaches. May the blessings of the season be yours —

**Merry Christmas to all!**

**Higginbotham - Bartlett Lumber**

**Hear ye, hear ye..**

*It is with great pleasure that we proclaim to all our good friends our sincere hope that they enjoy a happy holiday!*

**FIELD'S MEN'S STORE**

**'Glasses' Have Dangerous Effect On Vision If Emptied**

Holiday drivers were warned today that glasses have a dangerous effect on vision. That is, if they have been emptied several times.

This warning was issued by Major R. A. Crowder, Regional Commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety, who says the throttle and the bottle are big factors in the Christmas holiday traffic toll.

"Social drinkers, because of the stepped up festivity of the season, present a greater traffic hazard than at any other time of the year," the Major said.

In a special study of 501 fatal Christmas holidays accidents, which killed 609 persons, the National Safety Council found drinking drivers were involved in 55 per cent of the accidents. At other times of the year, they are involved in about 30 per cent.

Men were driving in 94 per cent of the accidents studied. In 99 per cent of the accidents, only one person was killed.

Almost 4 out of 5 victims were men, and these were mostly drivers.

The most common type of accidents was collision between two or more cars. Next in order were non-collision, pedestrian, and fixed-object collisions.

The most common driver action contributing to fatal accidents was driving on the wrong side of the road or in the center of the road. Failure to observe a signal or stop sign was second. Mechanical failure or tire blowouts were mentioned in only four of the ac-

idents studied.

"In launching a Christmas Safety Drive," Major Crowder said, "the state may have a safer and happier Christmas this year, if drivers will exert a little extra care and caution." The traffic trend is encouraging. During the first 10 months of the year, traffic deaths dropped 3 per cent from the same period for the previous year—a saving of 71 lives.

"If this rate of improvement can be maintained, the rest of the year," the Major said, "more than 79 lives can be saved on the highway in 1957. But the Christmas holidays will be the decisive factor."

The term, ballot, meaning "little ball," stems from classical Greek jury practice. White balls meant acquittal, black balls, banishment.

Affor, the Roman god of love, was a brother to Hymen, god of marriage.

**GREETINGS**

*We're heading your way with a sleighful of good wishes for this festive season! May you and all your loved ones enjoy a happy holiday!*

**REBA'S Beauty Shop**

**CHRISTMAS Greetings**

*We would like to add our voice to the chorus of good wishes coming your way for a Christmas really worth singing about... merry and bright and filled with much happiness for you and your dear ones.*

**BROWN AUTO SERVICE**

May your Christmas be as bright as the star that guided the wisemen to the crib in Bethlehem, and may your gifts be health, wealth and happiness!

**First Methodist Church**

What magic Christmas holds for children... Santa Claus and sugar plums and wonderful, glittering dreams! May you recapture the enchantment of the Yuletide Season, and may all your fondest hopes and dreams come true at Christmas!

**W-W Electric**



# Brightest holiday greetings to all

For every one, we wish a Christmas Season glowing with good cheer, enduring friendships and cherished memories.

HART - THAXTON

## One Christmas Night

By ELOISE TERRELL.  
Come all ye children, I've a story to tell,  
It happened to me and I know it quite well.  
It was Christmas Eve and all was good cheer,  
Not a sound was heard from far and near.  
But suddenly I awoke from a sleep that was sound.  
I thought I heard a mouse from somewhere 'round.  
Now Lassie, my dog, was right by my side,  
An' out on the front porch, we ran to hide.  
As we got to the porch we stopped for a pause,  
'Cause right in our yard was 'Ol Santa Claus.  
He had on boots an' guns an' a hat.  
He was big an' husky an' sorta fat.  
He climbed right up on top of my house,

Not a sound did he make, no more than a mouse.  
As he walked all over our roof that was green,  
He had a look on his face that was keen.  
When he couldn't find a chimney to go down,  
Of the housetop he came with a bound.  
He came up to me and said to my face,  
How ya' sposed to get in this silly ol' place,  
All houses I ever go 'round to see,  
Had a place to get in ya call a chimney.  
Well, Santa, ya' see we han't got one no more.  
So I guess you'll just have to go in through the door.  
He picked up his sack an' went in by the tree.  
I was happy an' cheerful an' all filled with glee.  
He put the packages down on the floor.  
Then lifted his sack an' went toward the door.  
But he stopped an' he whirled back toward me,  
An' filled all the stockings that hung by the tree.  
Then all of a sudden he went back outside.  
An' went to the post where his horses were tied.  
As he stepped in his stagecoach with merry good cheer,  
He said Merry, Christmas an' Happy New Year.  
Before I knew it he was gone out a sight,  
But I'll never forget, that one Christmas night.

### Old Legends Concern Magic Mule and Camel

Among the many legends about Christmas that concern animals, two of the most interesting are the Magic Mule and the Camel of Jesus.  
A Syrian legend says that a certain traveler tied his mule to a tree and went into an inn for refreshment on Epiphany Eve. Just at midnight, when the boughs of the tree bowed down in homage to the Holy Infant, the mule was caught up on the rebound and found cradled high up in the branches by its returning master.  
Another legend holds that the youngest camel of the three ridden by the Wise Men was exhausted by the pressing journey and was blessed with immortality by the baby Jesus as it lay moaning near the Nativity scene.

## Many U. S. Towns Have Names Related To Yule

Scattered here and there about the United States are numerous towns and cities whose name reflects the Christmas idea in one way or another.  
Best known, of course, are the towns of Santa Claus, Indiana, Bethlehem, Conn., and Christmas, Fla., whose post offices each year handle floods of mail from senders wishing to brighten their packages with yuletide postmarks.  
Indiana's Santa Claus is the only town with exclusive rights to its Yuletide postmark, although there is a Santa, Idaho. The privilege of the of the exclusive Santa Claus postmark is reserved to the Indiana post office by congressional act. There is only one Christmas, the one in Florida, although Maine boasts a Christmas Cove.  
Bethlehem, Conn., has plenty of competition, however, as there

are six other Bethlehems—in Indiana, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Maryland and New Hampshire.  
There are two Noels, one in Virginia and another in Missouri.  
Looking elsewhere about the country, one can find numberless towns and cities with names which call up Biblical or holiday associations. There is an Advent, W.Va., for the Nativity Kentucky has a Mary, and Oregon and Utah a Joseph each.  
One Wiseman is found in Arkansas and another in Alaska and it is reasonable to assume that another may be found in Wiseman, Ky. In the spirit of the season, West Virginia contributes Goodwill; Missouri boasts of Peace Valley, and there is Joy in Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri and Texas.  
For the Christmas party, Turkey is available in four states Cranberry in three. In the decorative theme, one can find an Evergreen in six states, a Pine in seven, a Holly in three. Trees in Louisiana, and finally, Mistletoe in Kentucky.



# Greetings...

May the spirit of Christmas live in your heart and bring to you and your family enduring spiritual happiness. That is our wish for all our many friends for now and always.

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## Christmas Cheer!

To all our friends we extend our very best wishes for a happy Holiday.



May all your joys add up to a very merry Christmas.

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## SEASONS Greetings

Good times, good cheer, good fellowship... all the joys we wish for you this holiday season.

The DAIRY MART

## Greetings and Thank You

It is on a note of sincere appreciation that we thank you for your patronage and wish much holiday joy and good cheer to you and your family!

## Merry Christmas

YARBROUGH FOOD

## Merry Christmas

Jolly good wishes for a Christmas as gay and sparkling as the decorations on your tree!

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We'd like to serve you!

We've got a lot of farm friends in this neighborhood who use Texaco products. They not only like the products, but our dependable, neighborly service, too.  
We'd like to number you among our satisfied customers. We think that after you try Texaco products, you'll agree with farmers in all 48 states that they are tops in quality.  
Farmers everywhere have found that it pays to farm with Texaco petroleum products. They make farm machinery last longer, and many costly repair bills are avoided by regular use of Texaco fuels and lubricants.  
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TEXACO CONSIGNEE  
PHONE 116



**Merry Christmas**

In the true Christmas spirit of joy and good will, we are happy to greet all our friends and wish everyone a glorious Holiday Season.

**ENSON CLEANERS**

**GREETINGS**

ing a song day cheer, in time of year...and to extend wishes and all

**AC'S CABINET SHOP**

**Gay Bazaars Spice Yule In Germany**

All Germany gives itself up to joy during the Christmas season. The festivities generally begin on St. Nicholas Day. For weeks before, the cities and villages have gay bazaars, at which toys, sweets, and Christmas plants are sold. Most business places close for three days, the day before Christmas, Christmas Day, and the day after (Boxing Day).

Where old customs still prevail, a man dressed like St. Nicholas goes from house to house on the eve of Saint Nicholas Day and asks the children how they have behaved during the year. The good children are to receive gifts, the bad children, switches. The big time for most German children, is Christmas Eve, when the family gathers around the Christmas tree to sing kristlieder and to exchange presents. Perhaps Kris Kringle arrives to distribute the gifts. Beside the tree, there may be a "Bethlehem," or manger scene. The figures for these are carved with infinite skill and care by peasants who devote their lives to woodcarving and making toys.

In churches and homes carols are sung, always leading the beautiful, "Silent Night, Holy Night." Some of the loveliest Christmas songs in the world come from Germany. In Westphalia, boys sing from the church tower in the light of colored lanterns; and in northern Germany trumpet choirs play from the church towers.

Many other old customs are still practiced. In Bavaria persons representing the Holy Family give pageants on the highways and tiny litated trees are placed over the graves of children on Christmas Eve. In western and southern Germany, young boys dressed as the Three Wise Men tell the Christmas story from house to house. In the highlands of the south people fire guns on Christmas Eve to frighten away evil spirits. In some parts, both the people and their cattle fast day before Christmas and then enjoy a hearty meal after the midnight service.

An amoeba eats by slowly unfolding the food in its body.  
The island of Bali consists of a series of volcanic mountains.

**New Year Babe, Father Time Came From Early Greece**

The personifications of Father Time and the New Year Babe are as familiar as those of Santa Claus or Uncle Sam. Yet these fitting symbols for the end of one cycle of living and the birth of another have their roots in Greek mythology.

Father Time comes down to us as a descendant of the Greek god Cronus, lord of the universe. Cronus bore the lines of inestimable years on his face and he carried a scythe, but like many of mythology's earthy gods, he was not altogether admirable. Having been warned that one of his children would dispose of him, Cronus decided to give none a chance and got into the habit of swallowing them at birth. His wife Rhea, in an attempt to discourage the practice, hid their son Zeus after his birth and presented Cronus with a stone wrapped in swaddling clothes.

The ruse worked. Cronus disgorged not only the stone, but the previous children he had swallowed. Zeus later dethroned his father, settled on Mount Olympus and ruled as chief god of the Greek pantheon.

Later Cronus name was confused with the word "cronus," meaning "time." But the hourglass has found a permanent place in the hand of the white-haired gentleman with the scythe.

The New Year Babe may be as old as Father Time. During ancient Greece festival of Dionysus, a baby was paraded as a symbol of rebirth. A chief ceremonial in the Eleusinian Mysteries featured the image of a child. In more recent times, farmers of western Prussia staged the symbolic birth of a child on harvest fields. A German folk song of the 14th century depicts the New Year Babe in its present form.

**Mistletoe Subject Of Many Controversies**

The mistletoe, alternately a symbol of good and evil, has a controversial background. Known today as a criminal killer of forests, it is still used as a symbol of love, peacemaking and goodwill.

According to legend, this is how the mistletoe became a symbol of love: The ancient Scandinavian goes, was killed by Loki with a lightning god, Balder, so the myth mistletoe arrow after the beloved Balder's mother had evoked a promise from all other living things that they would not harm her son. Balder was restored to life by the intercession of other gods who entrusted the mistletoe plant to the goddess of love and she ordained that henceforth anyone passing beneath its bough should receive a kiss in token of love, not vengeance. Held high, the mistletoe would never again be evil.

**Gift Buying Simplified By Making Shop List**

Your Gift shopping will be easier and less fatiguing if you decide what you want to buy and make a list before you shop.

It is wise to list alternate choices so that you won't limit yourself to only one idea. You may want to see what is in the stores, make a list and then make a second trip to do the actual buying. Your list will help you shop systematically.

Catalogs can also be helpful in getting suggestions. Most large department stores, specialty shops and mail order houses have catalogs. So, why speed hours looking for gifts when you can shop or prepare your "want list" from your armchair.

Sitting comfortably at home, variety of merchandise and at you can choose from a greater variety of merchandise and at the same time conserve your time and energy.

**Greetings**

We wish you joy at Christmas. May its true deep meaning light your way to peace and contentment. With faith as your guide, with love in your heart may you be richly blessed throughout the coming year.

**LUCE, ROGER AND NELSON**

**NOEL**

As the wonderful story of Christmas is retold, we wish you and yours all the deep and abiding happiness the Holiday Season can bring... Merry Christmas!

**HALL-KEELING BUTANE**

Season's best wishes and may you count this Christmas among your very happiest... may its spirit long dwell in your home and your heart.

**ONSTEAD'S**

**CONFETTI**

**Season's Greetings**

The brightest note on our Holiday calendar is this opportunity to express our thanks for your loyal patronage and wish you a Very Merry Christmas!

**VIRGIE'S BEAUTY BAR**

### Today's Kids Want Realism In Yule Toys

Santa's helpers, the toymakers of America, made something like 900 million worth of toys last year, using up a fabulous supply of plastics, paints and lacquers, adhesives and other new materials developed by industrial chemistry.

Toy consumers—America's precocious children—have come to demand a realism in toys that was unheard of a few years ago. If a youngster gets a toy automobile, it must look like one of the latest styles he sees on the highways, a jet airplane must look like the pictures he sees in magazines. Most little girls won't look a second time at any doll that doesn't cry, walk, have washable hair and a wardrobe that ranges from evening clothes to a bikini bathing suit.

Expected to be big hits among toys this Christmas season are all various types of "do-it-yourself" kits for youngsters of all ages—kits they can use to make practically everything from atomic submarines to 1958 model sports cars. In addition to do-it-yourself packages for advanced children most manufacturers this year also are furnishing the completely assembled toy for the younger set.

### Harvesting Trees Is Big Business

While the sale of Christmas trees to the consumer is conducted entirely in the few weeks just prior to Christmas, the harvesting, processing and shipping of the trees may begin as much as three months before Christmas.

Approximately 25 per cent of the retail price of a Christmas tree is the stumpage price; trees retailing for about 25 cents per linear foot will be worth about 6 cents on the stump and could wholesale for from 10 cents to 15 cents per linear foot. Total number of trees distributed in the United States is about 30 million.

There are at least 10 important Christmas tree associations and groups representing the industry in the United States and approximately 5,000 individuals and firms are registered as retailers and wholesalers of Christmas trees in the United States.

### Masquerades Were Used In Olden Times

Mummers, or maskers, also contributed to the gaiety. Groups of young people masquerading as animals or legendary figures or other characters went about singing and dancing or giving rude burlesque dramas. Girls usu-

ally dressed as boys and men as women. Saint George, the Dragon, Hector, and Alexander, king of Egypt, were among the most popular characters.

Wassailing, like mummings, was a great feature of the holidays. Every house, rich and poor, had its wassail bowl, filled with hot spiced ale or cider. In some places young men or maids went from farmhouse to farmhouse, carrying a wassail bowl gaily decorated with ribbons and garlands and inviting their neigh-

bors to drink wassail (good health).

All through the season carols were sung, religious carols morning and evening, we are told, and gayer songs at the feasts and merrymaking. Bands of musicians called waits—though no one knows whether the word originally meant the instruments, the music, or the musicians themselves—paraded streets at night or sang and played in manor halls in return for gifts.

### Yule Log Became Traditional

The Yule log, a great block of oak, was brought in with ceremony on Christmas Eve and lighted with a brand kept from the Yule log of the year before. Its ashes, kept through the year, were supposed to protect the house from fire and lightning and to have the power of healing wounds and making fields and animals fertile.

The boar's head procession goes

back to the days when corn people believed in the "corn spirit" (the "corn spirit" in the bog. So at rificed and ate a good crops. In Scotland the boar is led by little cakes in the shape of a boar brought in with every Christmas custom still survive. College, Oxford.



*May all the good things come your way at Christmas!*

To our many customers and friends.

our sincere wishes for your happiness

and a Merry, Merry Christmas to you all!

**Lon Campbell Implement**



*In Your Christmas stocking, may you find our warmest greetings, wrapped in appreciation for your past patronage and tied with our sincere friendship!*

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## SEASONS GREETINGS



To Everyone We Wish A Very Merry Christmas. May The New Year Be Full Of Happiness And Joy For You And Yours.

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LEE HAYES  
ALVIS TUBBS  
MELVIN ROSS

Prayerfully, joyfully, we greet Christmas. May the Christ Child's message of love and hope gladden your heart and enrich your life.

*Merry Christmas*

**CLINT'S CAFE**

Noel, noel... the most joyous seasons! It is our sincere hope that it brings to you and yours all the best that life can offer... peace of mind and lasting love and friendship.

**LITTLEFIELD TEAM LAUNDRY**

### There Really Is A Santa

On December 19, 1954, two oft-repeated phrases were exploded: "New York is cold and impartial" and "There is no Santa Claus". For on that day Santa did come, but not in his familiar garb or sleigh. He arrived in a bus or subway, wearing a Jaycee pin, a young man without a beard. This was the date of the New York Jaycees' Fourth Annual Orphans Christmas Shopping Tour.

World famous Gimbel's Department Store opened its heart and doors to some 1,060 orphans and underprivileged children from 17 institutions of all faiths and races throughout the greater New York area. Three hundred Jaycee "dads-for-a-day" greeted the 26 gaily bannered buses which delivered a thousand eager and goggle-eyed youngsters. After hosting the tiny shoppers to a cookie-candy-apple snack, each Jaycee Dad escorted his adopted brood throughout the mammoth store in search for five dollars worth of happiness and warmth.

Twenty-seven members of the newly organized Rockcastle Junior Chamber (Mt. Vernon, Ky.), tackled what appeared to be the impossible in 1934 when they hosted over 500 underprivileged children from the Renfro Valley area at their first annual Christmas Party. Although original plans called for an estimated 225 young guests, the Jaycees found their promotion committee's work to be so effective that the final guest register recorded some 5500 boys and girls. In addition to furnishing pickup and delivery service for everyone attending, the Jaycees also broadcast the party on John Lair's CBS radio show, "The Sunday Mornin' Gatherin'."

### Boxing Day In England Is Day After Christmas

The day after Christmas is Saint Stephen's Day in the church. But it is commonly known in England as Boxing Day, because of the custom of bestowing Christmas boxes containing money on servants, tradesmen, and various people who render services to the public. Of Roman origin, it is a feature of the old English Christmas season which still persists today. Epiphany, or Twelfth Day, was also a day of gift giving. In memory of the

Magi, or Three Kings, the English monarch used to present at the altar gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. On that day, too, friends exchanged gifts. As a day of festival Twelfth Day was second only to Christmas. One feature of the entertainment was Whoever got the bean was king; a huge cake containing a bean, for the day, with the title "King of the Bean."

In Shakespeare's time, or a little later, Yuletide celebrations reached their height. Then under the stern Puritan regime, they were prohibited; When Charles II was restored to the throne, many of the old customs were revived, and still exist. But the twelve-day festival is a thing of the past, and only on Christmas Day and Boxing Day is holidays now kept. Christmas Day is particularly a children's festival in England, as in other lands, and English children expect a visit on Christmas Eve from Father Christmas, as American children look for Santa Claus.

### Celebration In Scandinavia Lasts 13 Days

In Scandinavian countries the Jul, or Christmas, celebration starts on Christmas Eve and lasts 13 days, ending with a Twelfth Night party. Cakes or loaves of bread baked in the shape of a boar, recall the ancient feasts when real boar was eaten. Comical little straw goats are a remainder of the old custom of saving the last sheaf of the harvest for the magic powers it was supposed to have. In many places even the animals are given a treat: the cows and horses get special feed in their stalls, and the birds find sheaves of un-threshed grain fastened to poles or placed on window ledges for them. The Christmas tree is decorated with gold and silver stars, strips of colored paper, and perhaps with flags of many nations. On Christmas Eve, the family gathers around the lighted tree. Perhaps they will be visited by the Tomte (also called Tomtar), who are kindly gnomes, like the brownies. One, as an old man, has a long white beard, wears a red cowl, and rings a bell; the

other, as an old woman, carries a basket of presents. Then come games and songs, with a grand supper at nine or ten o'clock. The chief dish is lutefisk, which is dried fish that has been buried in ashes or soaked in lye water for days. Dessert is a rice porridge, containing an almond or a plum; the person who finds this special morsel in his portion is to be lucky for the following year. On Christmas Day country people go to church while it is still dark. Some go on foot, carrying blazing torches. Others ride in sleighs with jingling bells. The torches are piled outside the church to make a bonfire. After the services the worshippers rush home, for the first to arrive is said to be sure of reaping his grain harvest in the next summer's harvest.

### Yule Customs South Of Border

In the lands of Central and South America, the Christmas festival reaches its zenith with the celebration of the Misa del Gallo (Mass of the Cock) at midnight Christmas Eve. This traditionally is the hour at which Christ was born. The name itself stems from Christian Rome's early practice of holding the first service when the cock crew.

Christmas feasts follow the mid-night service, and delicacies vary according to the country. While roast pig is Latin America's holiday favorite, turkey dominates tables in Mexico, Brazil, Colombia, Nicaragua, Panama and Puerto Rico.

Gift giving has always been closely linked with the Nativity. The youngsters of many lands look to the Christ Child for presents. In certain countries, including Mexico and Puerto Rico, tots impatiently await Epiphany, January 6, and a visit from the Three Wise Men. Santa Claus adds, for the parents, an expensive complication.

Exchange of gifts takes an unusual turn in Colombia where it is custom for merry-makers in masquerade to mill through the streets on Christmas Eve. Whenever a friend detects another's identity, he claims a reward.

Children of Latin America traditionally send their letters to "Baby Jesus, Care of St. Peter," but North American symbols of Christmas, Santa Claus, the tinsel tree, wreaths, and greeting cards—are becoming familiar in the cities of several neighboring countries, notably Mexico, Cuba and Puerto Rico.

### Greeting Cards Came From England

The thoughtful custom of sending cards to friends and relatives at Christmas comes down to us from England.

It is generally suggested by historians that the idea began with schoolboys away from home who wrote their Christmas letters on fancy paper and in fancy writing. There has been controversy, through the years as to who sent the first lithographed cards. In 1841 a copy of an old Christmas card was found in the British museum and credit for the card was given to William Maw Egley, a 16-year old apprentice, in the year 1842.

Later evidence, however, gave credit for the first card to Sir Henry Cole and lithographer John C. Horsley, in the year 1843.

Cards credited to Egley and Cole are quite similar. Each was etched in black and white and each shows drinking, dancing and holiday merriment scenes, and both carrying holiday greetings.

Evidence that Egley was not the originality comes from a framed copy of the Egley card which reportedly carries a note on the back in the apprentice's handwriting.

The note says the card was finished December 3, 1843 and is the "second ever published." Cole began sending out cards to all his friends in 1846, each card bearing the message, "A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year."

Although the cards brought fame and popularity to Cole, it was some twenty years before Christmas cards became very popular in England.

### Pinata Is Tradition In Mexican Observance

Our Mexican friends south of the border are picking up some of our holiday traditions and we could do ourselves a favor by adopting one of their customs, such as the "breaking of the pinata."

Now used in Mexico throughout the year, the pinata is busiest during the Mexican Christmas Festival. The pinata is a fragile earthen jar which is filled with sweetmeats, trinkets, candies and toys, then suspended from the ceiling in a large room or patio.

**NOEL**

Good wishes to you, good friends everywhere. We hope that Christmas will be a time of great delight for you and yours.

**LOUISE DRESS SHOP**

*Silent Night*

May all the rich blessings of this Holy Season be yours throughout the year!

**FINDLEY'S JEWELRY**  
419 PHELPS

May the blessings of peace and good will that came into the world almost two thousand years ago be yours at Christmastime!

*Merry Christmas To All!*

**Northern Star Seed Farms**  
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**Greetings**

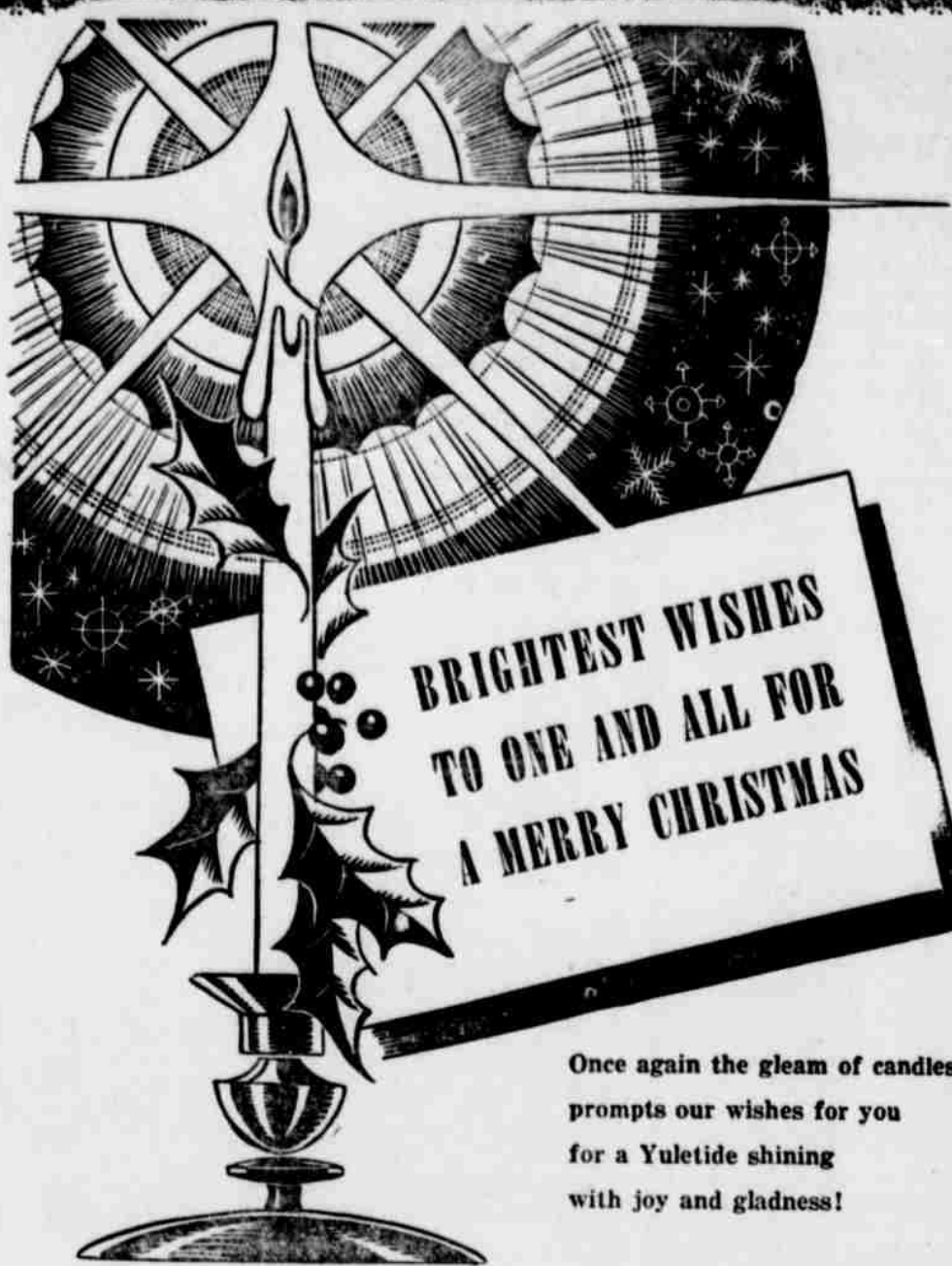
Christmas brings thoughts of old friends, good times, and all that's best in life. May this Christmas add richly to your store of happy memories

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**Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Little and Employees**

**SEASON'S GREETINGS**

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Once again the gleam of candles prompts our wishes for you for a Yuletide shining with joy and gladness!

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**THE BIBLE SPEAKS**  
International Union  
Sunday School Lesson  
BY DR. KENNETH J. FOREMAN

Background Scripture: Philemon, Devotional Reading: Ephesians 2:11-22

**Brothers in Christ**

Lesson for December 29, 1957

"BROTHERHOOD" is a word that gets kicked around a lot. There are all sorts of brotherhoods, and most of them are good. The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers is a sample of many groups held together by the same kind of work and skill. We can talk of the brotherhood of Americans, or of artists, or of the same battalion in an army. We can speak of the brotherhood of suffering.



Dr. Foreman

"Brothers in Christ," however are closer to one another than even those who have the same father and mother. We could not go into this and show why it is. But let us follow Paul's lead and think how this works. The little note he wrote to Philemon brings together in Christian brotherhood two men who were about as far apart as two men could be; for one of them, Philemon, was a master and Onesimus, the other, was his slave.

**Restored**  
Onesimus was worse than a slave. He had stolen from his master and ran away. Somehow or other, probably in jail, he had run across Paul, and became one of the many whom Paul led to Christ. Now Paul might have said to him: "Now, Onesimus, you are my Christian brother and Philemon's too. The past is all wiped clean. God has forgiven your sins. Stay here in Rome, take a fresh start, leave your old life behind. I'll never let on to Philemon that I ever met you." But Paul did not look at it that way. The first thing Onesimus had to do was the hardest. He had to go back to Philemon and give himself up. The letter to Philemon urges that gentleman to remember that Onesimus is now also his brother; but Paul may have had to do some tall persuading, to make Onesimus see that

Philemon was his brother. Brotherhood, in short, as Christians at their best understand it, does not cancel out obligations. If I owe a Christian ten dollars, I can't gaily write it off because it's "all in the family." If I have slandered a fellow-Christian or wronged one in any way, the very fact that we are brothers, so far from excusing me, lays on me a special duty to make all the restitution I possibly can. Let us not go into the New Year, if we can help it, owing any man—except to love one another."

**Reconciled**  
This return of Onesimus, as Paul hoped, would be more than restoration of an absent slave and at least some of the missing money. It would be a reconciliation. (Paul's hopes probably were realized, otherwise one suspects the little letter would have been saved.) Now reconciliation is very difficult, because it involves something in the heart. You can restore all the externals of the old relationship—the runaway slave can come back, the estranged husband and wife can move into the same apartment, the countries lately fighting can send ambassadors to each other again, and so forth. But unless something happens in the hearts of these people, the restoration is going to be something, formal at best, galling and intolerable at worst. There has to be forgiveness on at least one side in all human reconciliation; usually two sides. Who knows why Onesimus ran away? If Philemon has been the ideal master, Onesimus might have preferred to stay home. And if we can guess the Onesimus had something to forgive, we know that Philemon had. But brotherhood means love, if it means anything. Brotherhood in Christ means Christlike love.

**Refreshed**  
Paul, as the reader of his letter will notice, asks Philemon to live out his brotherhood,—but not for his sake and that of Onesimus alone. The restoration and reconciliation which Paul prays for, will "refresh the hearts" of a good many people. It is not true that my relations with you and yours with me affect us two alone. A family reconciliation may make a difference far beyond the household. This is a sad world, a weary world. And the weariness comes partly from listening to so much jangling and wrangling. As the bells ring out the Old Year, how wonderful, how refreshing to the heart, if they ring out old quarrels, old resentments! Christian brotherhood is a bell with far-reaching overtones of peace.

**Christmas In Old England Was Festive**

In no land and in no age, perhaps, has the celebration of Christmas been more colorful and festive than in old England of the 16th and 17th centuries. This celebration was no matter or a day or two. It began on Christmas Eve, or sometimes as early as December 16, and continued until 12th Day. Pomp and ceremony and gay revelry reigned in the palace. Royal observance was imitated in castle hall and manor house. And every peasant hung mistle toe over his door and flung a Yule log on his fire, even though he and family might be feasting in the baronial hall. Merriment was everywhere and every one kept holiday except the cooks who prepared the feasts. Though local ceremonies or superstitions might differ, the same spirit of hospitality and good will prevailed.

At the beginning of the Christmas season, or often as early as Hallowe'en, a Lord of Misrule was appointed—a "grand captain of mischief," he was called by a Puritan of Queen Elizabeth I's day. He appointed others to act as his guard, and all decked themselves with ribbons and scarfs and bells on their legs. This "master of sports" took charge of the games and entertainments.



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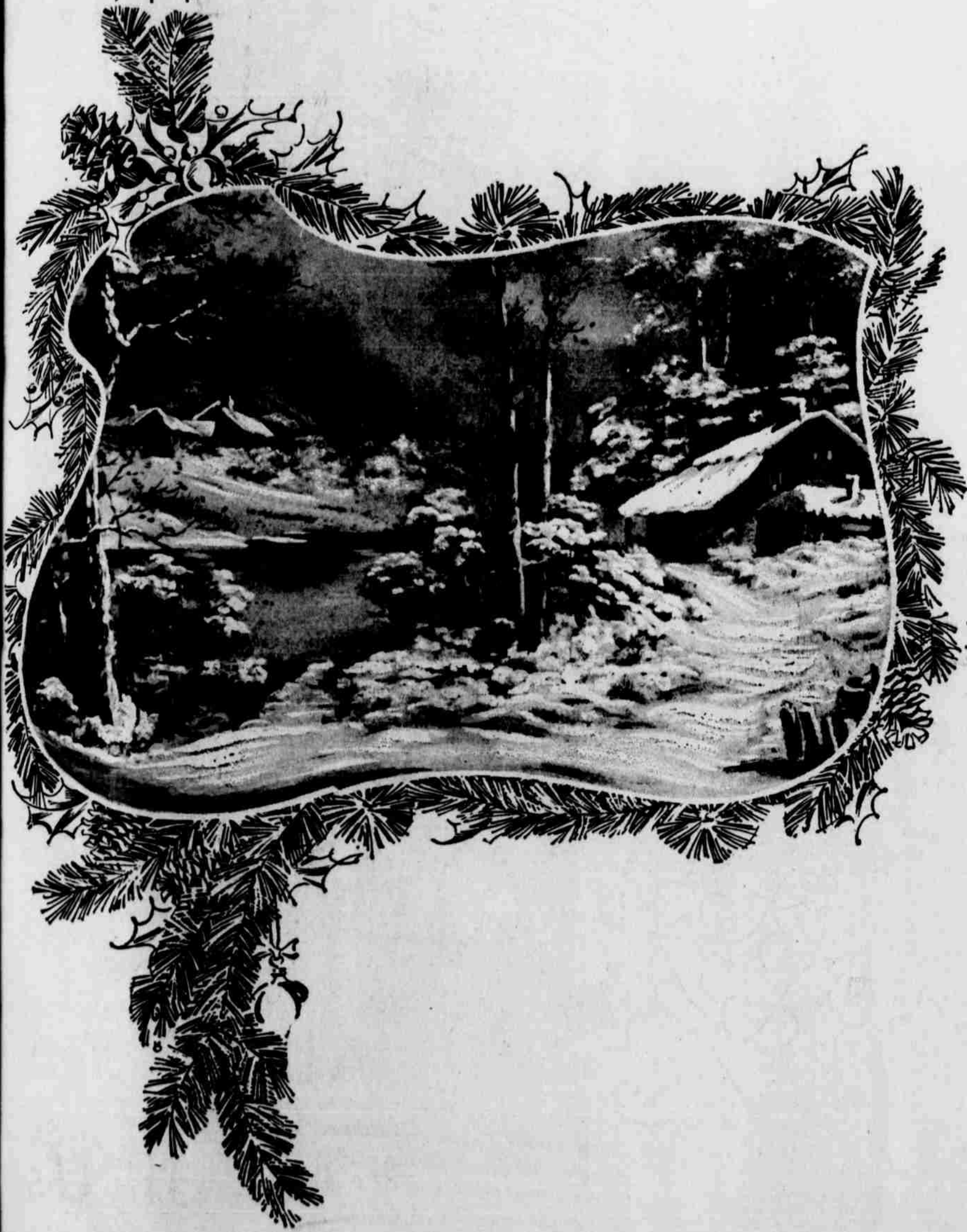
May your Holidays sparkle with joy and laughter, and may Christmastime bring you continued health and good fortune!

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# Season's Greetings



The holidays bring happy hours...  
and may they bring many to you.  
The holidays abound in love and good  
fellowship...may you have a plentiful share. The  
holidays bring old friends together...may this pleasure  
be joyously yours. The holidays are always happier for the glad  
warmth of greetings given and received...we extend ours to you, most sincerely.

## First National Bank

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## Ancient Rome Began Custom Giving Gifts Important Part Of Yule Happiness

Giving presents is an important part of Christmas happiness. The custom seems to go back to the ancient Romans, who distributed gifts in the course of their mid-winter festival, especially on New Year's Day. In the Bible story, the Wise Men, or Magi, brought gifts to the Infant Jesus on the twelfth day after his birth. And so, in Spain, Italy, and some other countries, it is not on

Christmas but on the eve of Epiphany, twelve days later, that children receive their present.

In several northern countries, the season's gifts come almost three weeks before Christmas for they are brought by Saint Nicholas on the eve of his feast day, December 6. Saint Nicholas was a bishop of the 4th century. He came to be regarded as the special friend and protector of children. Once, the story goes, he tossed three purses filled with gold into the house of a poor nobleman who could not provide a dowry for his three daughters. Now, in the Netherlands, Belgium, Switzerland, Austria, and parts of Germany, he returns every year on Saint Nicholas Eve with gifts for good children and switches for bad ones.

Our own jolly Santa Claus is just another form of Saint Nicholas. "San Nicolaas" and this soon became "Sanka Klaus" and then "Santa Claus." To make this symbol and the spirit which it represented seem real, Santa Claus is shown as a person. Besides being merry and jovial, he is fat, to represent liberality and plenty of good things to eat. He is dressed in red, to represent warmth and heartiness. Since he comes in the winter time what animals should draw his sleigh but reindeer? What better names could his reindeer have than those given them by Clement Moore in "A Visit from St. Nicholas?"

Now, Dasher! Now, Dancer! Prancer and Vixen! On, Comet! On Cupid! On Donner and Blitzen!

And where should Santa Claus' home be but at the North Pole itself? He is as old as Father Time and has a long white beard; but his rosy cheeks show that he is also as young as a child. Over his shoulder he carries a pack full of toys and other gifts for children.

### COOL COPS

WALTHAM, Mass.—To make it hot for traffic violators, first make it cool for the traffic cop. That's the prescription here, where traffic division police taxed themselves \$1 a week to buy a one-ton air conditioner for their office and a smaller one for the squad commander's office.

Similarly the men got new floors for their quarters by trimming and laying the tiles themselves.

Capt. Walter T. Weir, head of the squad, says he's sold on do-it-yourself.

Buenos Aires is the largest city in the world south of the equator.

## Red Suited Santa Is Really Oldest American Among Us

Many people have the idea that Santa Claus is German because two of his reindeer are named Donner and Blitzen (German for Thunder and Lightning).

The red suited, white bearded bringer of gifts is the oldest real American among us. He traces

his American citizenship to the early 1600's when the Dutch brought him to New Amsterdam, (New York) on the Hudson.

His name then was Saint Nikolaas, pronounced, sahnt Nee-loe-lah. And it became shortened to Sant Klaus, pronounced Sahnt

### KLAHSS.

Now as is usually the case with foreign names which are brought to this country, the jovial saint's name took on a strictly American spelling and became Santa Claus, which American youngsters pronounced Santy Claws.

No other country in the world has a Santa Claus—not even England. The bringer of gifts over there is "Father Christmas."

He is enthusiastically loved by British children as Santa Claus is

on this side of the Atlantic, but he isn't Santa Claus. No, Santa is on this side of the Atlantic, but he isn't Santa Claus. No, Santa Claus is our very own. And, while he is supposed to live at the north pole, his real dwelling place is right here in the hearts of all true Americans.

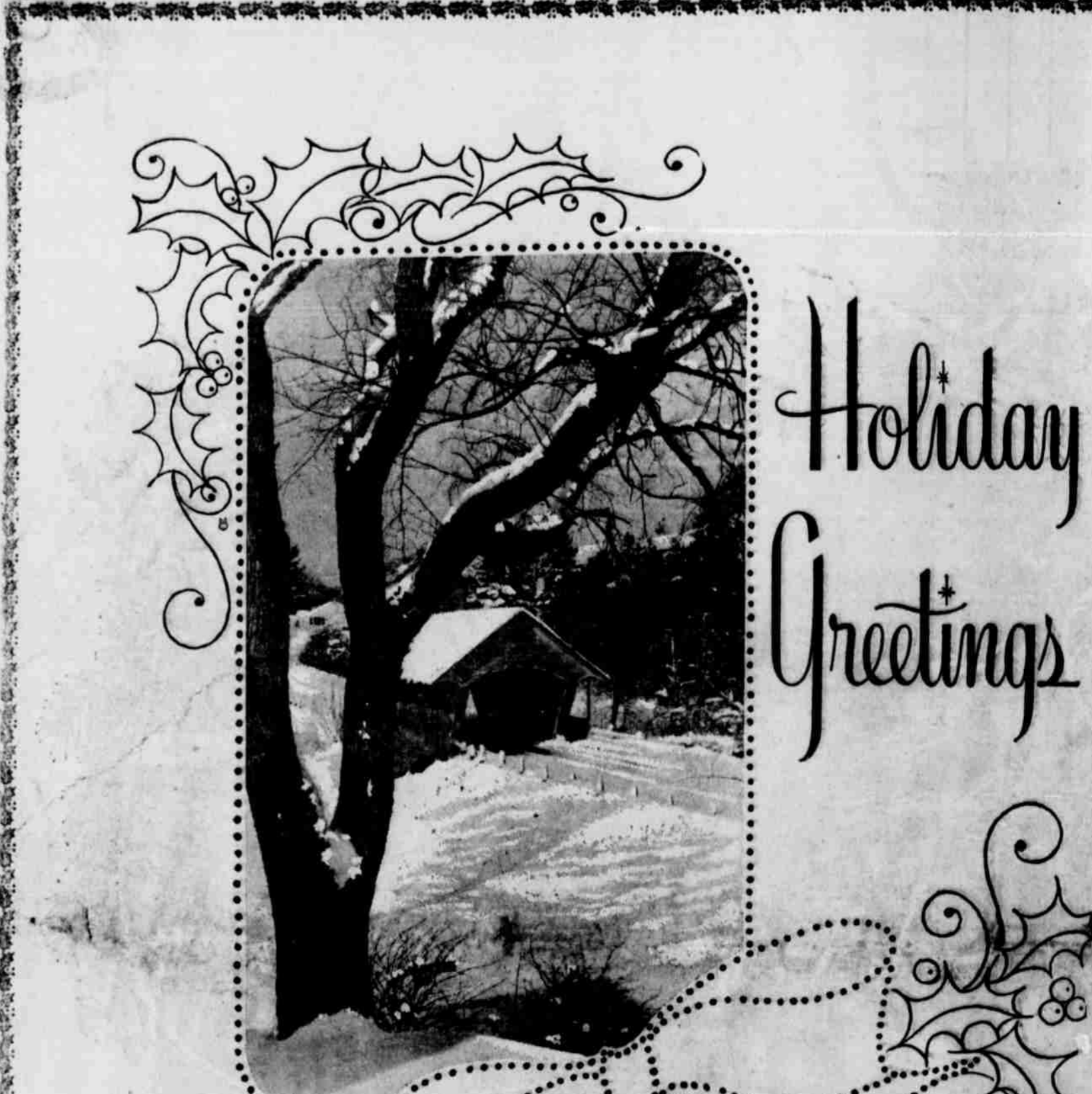
"Of course we believe in Santa Claus, the saint of cheerful giving. He inspires us to take toys, clothing, and baskets of food to the needy. His kind heart swells with pride when we will the col-

fer of the American and the Salvation Army we buy Christmas gifts cover the mile of Dime. And we may be sure that Claus steers every gift that bears our gifts of food and ing for the cold and the troubles of the war ravaged tries. Yes, he is real and have no doubt of that that his name transcends stands for: Christian U.S.A.

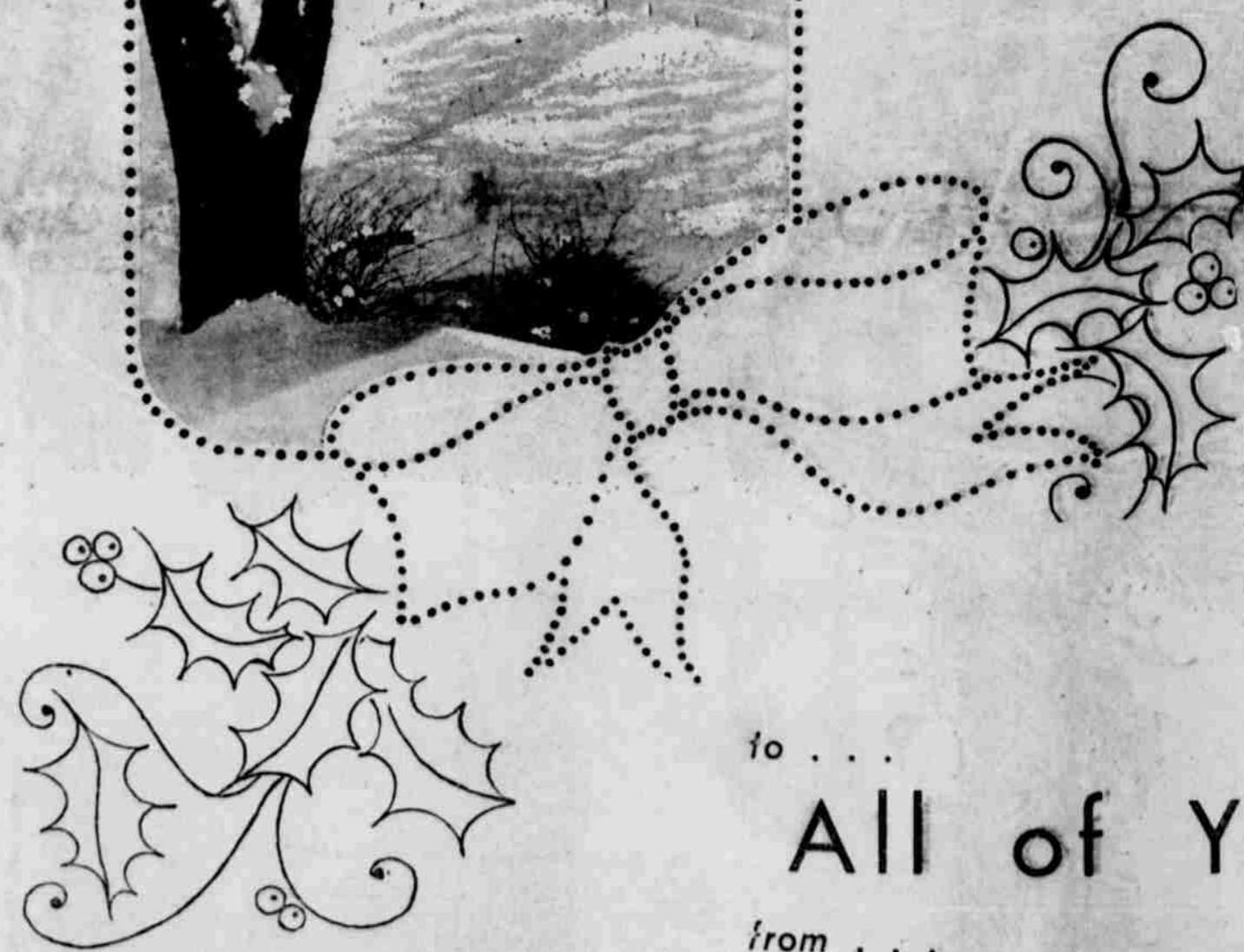
When jolly old Santa makes his annual trip to your home may he find every eye bright, every heart light with the happiness of this joyous season.



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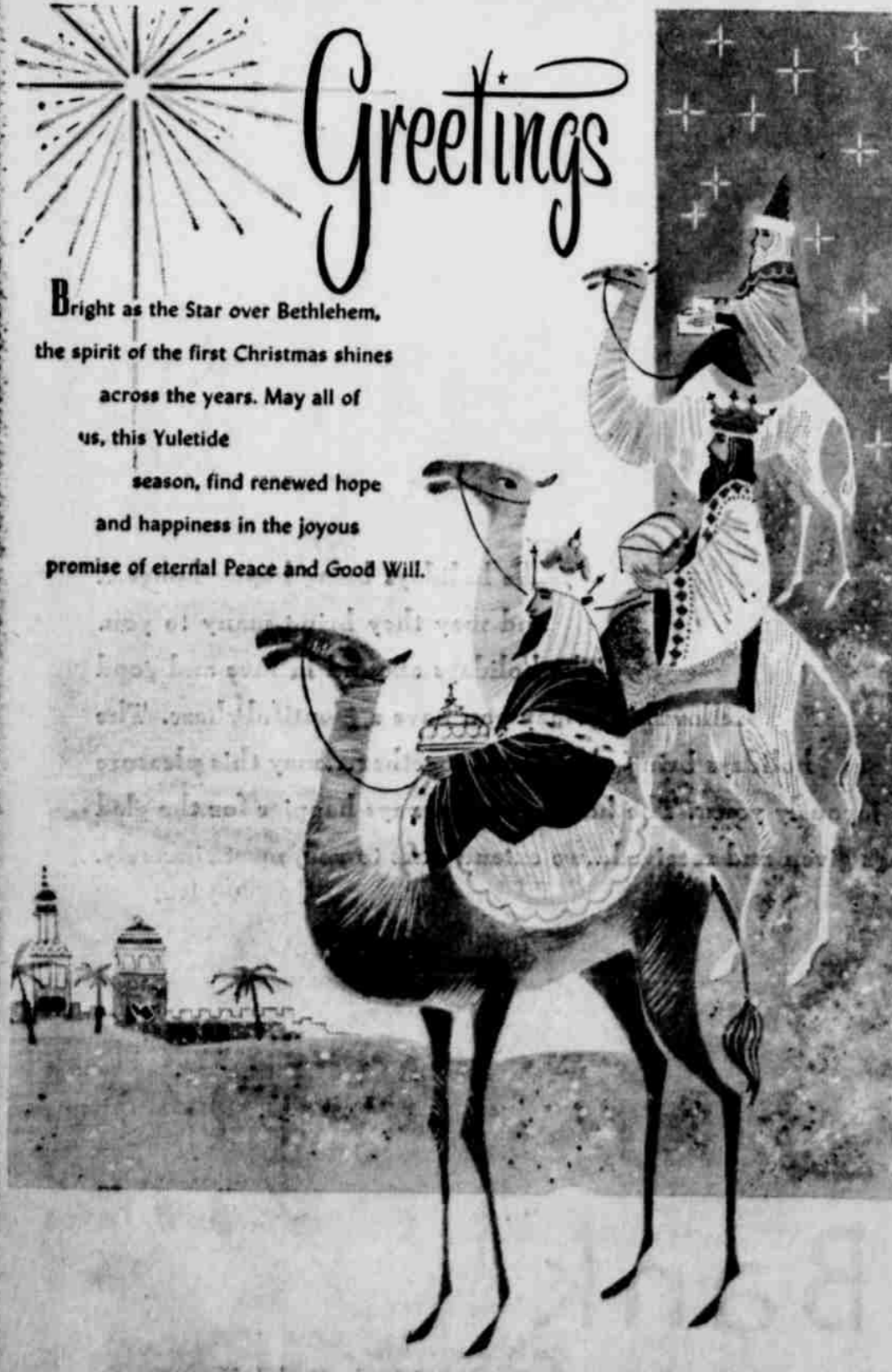
Holiday Greetings



to . . .  
All of You  
from . . .  
All of Us

We gladly join in the spirit of the season, and heartily extend our very best wishes, our warmest greetings to all our many friends. May the holidays hold for you the riches of friendship...the treasures of happy hours with loved ones...the priceless joys of good health and contentment.

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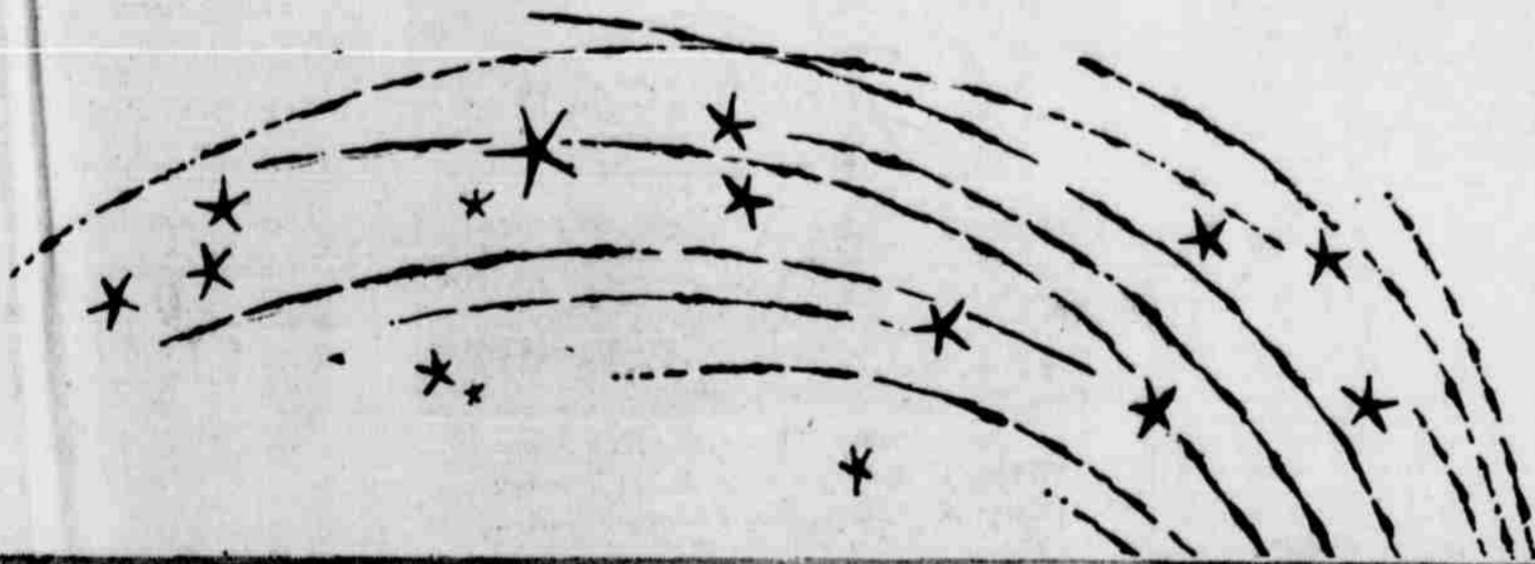


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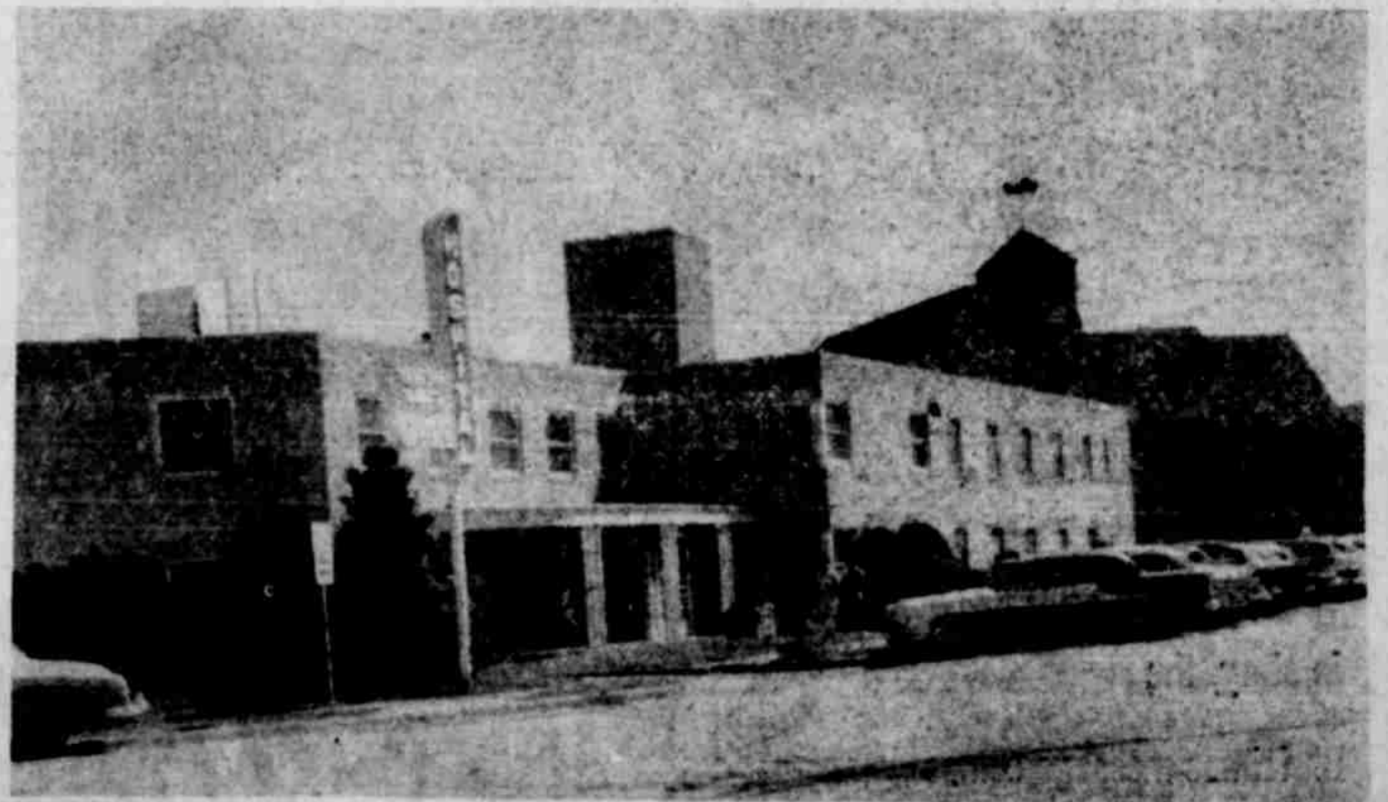
Bright as the Star over Bethlehem, the spirit of the first Christmas shines across the years. May all of us, this Yuletide season, find renewed hope and happiness in the joyous promise of eternal Peace and Good Will.

HAUK & HOFACKET

# Greetings for Christmas



Let us rejoice in spirit...let us be glad of heart, for Christmas is here...Christmas, rich in the enduring gifts of hope and faith, peace and good will, brought to all men by the Christ Child on that holy night long ago. May this season of joy and wonder bring to you a sustaining sense of serenity and uplifting happiness to glorify all the days of the coming year.



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# Here's How Use Of Yule Decorations Got Started

Our Christmas decorations of evergreens also come to us from pre-Christmas times. In Italy, Spain, and some other countries flowers are used instead of evergreens. This may be due to the

fact that the early church frowned on the use of evergreens because of their association with the earlier pagan festivals. In Sweden, too, flowers are used, for evergreens there are symbols of

death and mourning. Mistletoe came to be especially associated with Xmas because the northern peoples held it sacred and thought that it had marvelous powers. Sprays of it were

hung over doorways as charms. Holly too was the subject of many superstitions; its use at Christmas as regarded as especially appropriate because of its prickly leaves were thought of as representing the Savior's crown of thorns and its bright red berries as representing drops of blood.

The Christmas Tree, however, did not come into general use until comparatively recent times. It comes to us from Germany, and the first written mention we have of it is in a chronicle of 1605. The German people have a story that Luther started the custom half a century or so earlier and put candles on the tree to represent to his children the brilliant stars of Christmas Eve.

Many other stories are told about the Xmas tree. One of the oldest takes us to Germany in the 8th century, when the missionary Saint Boniface was trying to end the practice of sacrificing human beings to the sacred oak. He found the custom hard to stop. Finally, he led his converts out in the forest at Yuletide and showed them a fir tree, which was, he said, pointing straight upward to the Christ child.

"Take this tree," said Saint Boniface, "into your homes as a sign of your new worship, living soil when earth is darkest and with no stain of blood upon it. Celebrate God's power no more in the forest with shameful rites than in the sanctity of your home with laughter and love."

By the beginning of the 18th century nearly all Germany had adopted the Christmas Tree; and soon after the custom spread to most other countries of northern Europe and to the United States.

## Carols Custom of Christmas

Another of our customs which make Christmas beautiful is the singing of songs which we call carols. Their name in France is Noels; in Italy, pastorelles; and in Germany, Liedlieder. They began probably in the early church, when nativity plays were given which told the story of Christ's birth and carols or songs were sung by groups who went about from house to house. New carols were added, some sacred and others concerned with feasting and drinking. Some of our best loved carols are "Silent Night, Holy Night," "The First Noel," "God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen" and "We Three Kings of Orient Are."

## Manger Scene Has Important Yule Role

In those countries, and in other places where most of the people are Catholics, the heart of the Christmas celebration is not the Christmas tree, but the manger scene. This is a miniature reproduction of the stable where Christ was born, with tiny figures of people and animals. The Italians call it the presepio; in Spain it is the nacimento; and in France the creche. Nearly every Catholic church in the world has its man-

ger scene, or crib, but it is in the home that it takes on its deepest meaning for the people. This pretty custom is said to have been started by Saint Francis. The story is that on Christmas Eve of 1224 he arranged a stable in a corner of a village church near Assisi, with real animals and real persons for the actors.

The usual form is a hill built of stones which are covered with moss or other greenery. The figures of Joseph and Mary are near the cradle, and in the background are the animals, the shepherds, and the Wise Men. Above the hill are suspended angels, or a bright star, or perhaps a white dove. The whole family helps build this scene, usually on a table in the corner of the living-

room. The prettily colored figures are usually of plaster in Spain and in parts of France; but in Italy they may be of earthenware or of wood. On Christmas Eve at early twilight the children light up the

manger scene with candles. In France with small candles these candles are lighted day after Christmas. The scene is put away for Christmas.



# Greetings

Have a wonderful holiday time, friends and neighbors! Here's hoping that your Christmas will be the merriest and brightest ever.

## DAIRY QUEEN

# Silent Night



Heard in song, told in story, the Christmas message comes anew to lift our spirits, warm our hearts. At this happy time, we extend friendly greetings to all.

LITTLEFIELD FARMER'S COOP GIN



Our thanks and best wishes for a Happy Holiday to all of you whom it has been our great privilege and pleasure to know and to serve.

Y. & L. TIRE SHOP

# Season's Greetings



At the holiday season, our thoughts turn with special warmth to our loyal friends and customers. We want to say how pleased we are to be privileged to serve the folks in this community and we wish for all a Yuletide that really rings the bell for good fellowship, contentment and good cheer...

## to everyone

# Mangum - Hilburn Agency

Suddenly, it's Christmas... a happy season and a holy one. Our wish for you is that you may find, in the story of the Babe of Bethlehem, renewed hope and courage... fresh joy and inspiration.

Howard's Seed-Seed Fertilizer





# CHRISTMAS TIDINGS

While shepherds watched by night, the wondrous tidings of the Christ Child's birth first rang forth, and with awe and rejoicing, they sought the place where He lay. And at every Christmastide, the sacred story lives anew... gloriously, radiantly lighting the world with hope and faith, peace and good will.

We wish for you and yours at Christmas a season abundantly filled with the abiding joy and spiritual inspiration that He brought to earth.

Let Us Take This Opportunity To Say "Thank You" To One And All For One Of The Finest Season's In Our History.

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*There's a friendly, festive feeling in the air. The sights and sounds of happiness are everywhere. The Yuletide season, merry and bright, makes all our hearts and spirits light. It's a wonderful, wonderful time of year, and for you, and those whom you hold dear, we're wishing the best of joy and cheer. We're wishing, too, for all of you, a grand and glorious holiday that's filled with pleasure in every*

W. O. Hampton Gin

SPADE, TEXAS

# Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa, I am 8 years old and I want a set of dishes, cook set, stove and doll bed. Please get them in soft plastic, wood, or metal because my brothers break my things. We all love you. Be good to boys and girls all over the world.

Love,  
Laura Beth Harlin  
P.S. My daddy's birthday is on Christmas Day.

Dear Santa,  
I am almost six years old and I have tried to be good this year. Will you bring me a doll with short hair and a piano. My little brother, Ralph, wants cowboy boots, hat and guns and a guitar. My big brother wants an archery set, a BB pistol and a football. We would like some new books and games and candy.

Thank you,  
Rosanne Funk

I am a little afraid of you when I see you in person.  
I want two pianos for Xmas - a red one and a white one - so when Patti comes she can play the white one.

Also I want a tricycle. Love,  
Debbie Oliver

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a bicycle and a record player. I have been a good girl. Thank you.  
I am Dorothy Louise Beitel.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I love you Santa Claus. I want records. I have a record player. I want a High heel doll. Your friend,  
Wanda Faye Cotton

and a train station.  
He will leave a glass of milk and a cookie on the table for you.  
Your pal,  
Chip Joyner

Dear Santa Claus,  
I think I have been a good little girl this year. I would like to have a doll and all the dresses that goes with her and anything that you want. And please fill my stockings well.  
Now I have to go Santa. Your friend,  
Vera Jo Reaves

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little boy, seven years old. I would like to have a little car and a big cannon. And please bring my little brother something. Love,  
David Lee Chronister

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am seven years old and I want a gun and a toy car, and please bring my little brother something. Love,  
Mike Richardson



"Peace on Earth,  
Good Will to Men."  
May the blessed words  
re-echo in every heart this  
Christmas, bringing joy to one and all.



Here's hoping that all your dreams for a joyous holiday come true, leaving you with only the happiest of memories to treasure.



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Dear Santa,  
I am a little girl. I am seven years old. I am in the second grade. Will you please bring me a tiny tears and a pogo stick. And don't forget my brother and sister and all the other children.

Your friend,  
Jolene

Dear Santa,  
I want a bicycle and a little hunting knife, and a pair of football shoes, and some football shoulder guards and a pair of football pants and a football shirt, and a football helmet with a dental guard - and don't forget the other boys and girls around here.

Please bring me what I want. Love,  
Henry Prettyman

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a bicycle and two guns for Christmas. Also bring Tandy a baby doll, baby buggy, and a little gun. Love,  
Mildred and Tandy Talburt

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little girl. I want a little doll and a little Christmas tree and little house.

Love, Bernice Hernandez  
Love, Clio Hernandez  
Love, Tomalina Hernandez  
Love, John Hernandez  
Love, Father and Mother  
From Bernice to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am five years old and I try to be a good boy. Would you please bring me a little box of toy animals like they have in Reese Drug, and a fire engine and a dump truck? Please take some toys to all the other children in the world too. Thank you.

With love,  
Lyndon Clark Findley  
620 W. 2nd, Littlefield, Tex.

Hale Center, Texas  
Star Route

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl 3 years old

Rt. 2, Muleshoe, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little girl eight years old. I would like to have a Betsy McCall dolly mink stole and a bride dress for her, a billfold, a birthday ring. My birthday is in June. I would also like a head scarf and of course fruit, candy, and nuts. I would like to have some Brazil nuts, almonds and almonds if you have them. Lots of love,  
Carol Diane Haire

Dear Santa,  
I am a little girl 3 years old. I would like for you to bring me a doll, some pearl handle guns that shoot caps, a big truck. I want everything I see but I know you will please me what ever you bring. I would like some fruits, nuts and candies also. I guess you know I have been a good little girl. I love you,  
Babs Haire  
Amherst, Texas

Dear Santa,  
Please bring Barbara a nurse kit. Please bring Charles a fire truck. Please bring me a girls bicycle or a real Royal typewriter. Please bring all of us a very fun and nice. We wish you a Merry, Merry Christmas from Barbara, Charles and Patricia Muncy.

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a baby doll and a paper doll book. My little brother is six years old. Will you bring him a train and a TV horse? We have been real good.  
From Frankie Louise Henderson

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a holster, 2 gun set, a punching bag, a watch and some fruit, nuts and candy. I have been a pretty good boy. I love you.  
Bill Gover, age 7

Dear Santa Claus,  
I think I have been a good girl this year. I want a doll. I will have to go now. Your friend,  
Penny Lee Welge  
Fieldon, Texas

Dear Santa,  
Chip has tried to be good boy. He will be at his grandpaw's for Christmas.  
He would like three tractors

**GREETINGS**

The Season's warmest wishes!

May every holiday joy come your way!

DENNIS JONES  
Tire Store And  
Service Station

Dear Santa,  
I am a little girl eight years old. I would like a little Revlon doll with clothes and a type writer and a football jacket. I would like a little doll house.

My little brother is ten months old. Please bring him a little boy doll and a TV horse.  
We have been real good. We love you. From,  
Laura and H. C. Robinson

Dear Santa,  
I am a little girl eight years old. I would like a little doll house and a toy kitten too.  
From Shirley Ann Holmes



Thank You and Warm Wishes

We hope you have a very delightful Christmas surrounded by devoted family and friends.

O.K. RUBBER WELDERS

## Gene Pratt Watch Repair

A very merry Christmas!



Christmas... and the world is aglow with the spirit of good will! May you share in all the joys of this wonderful season and have a truly memorable happy holiday.

MARY ELIZABETH'S  
BEAUTY SHOP

# warm wishes



The scene is set for Christmas... enter laughter and love, joy and good cheer. To your happy holiday, we'd like to add our warmest wishes, our most sincere thanks for the opportunity of serving you. Your patronage is truly appreciated... we'll do our best to deserve it always.

GENERAL TELEPHONE  
Littlefield



A special delight of the holiday season is the opportunity it brings to exchange greetings and good wishes with all our friends. We thoroughly enjoy the friendly relationship we have with you, our customers, and we'd like to express our gratitude for your valued patronage. A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

REPLIN'S

On Christmas Eve

# Let's Take An Imaginary Visit To A 16th Century English Home

Let us in imagination visit a great English house of the 16th century on Christmas Eve. The pillars of the great hall, its tapestry-hung walls, and all its windows glow with the shining



## Greetings

We'd like to sing out our thanks to you for your loyal patronage and to wish you a holiday full of old-fashioned warmth, merriment and much good fellowship.

**ERNEST OWENS**  
DISTRICT CLERK

green leaves and bright red berries of the holly, with bay, laurel and rosemary. From the ceiling and over the doorways hang clumps of mistletoe, heavy with berries, for one will be plucked for every maid who is kissed beneath them. Serving men and maids are hurrying in and out, piling the massive oak tables with "sirloins of beef," capons, peese, meat pies with coffin-shaped crusts; with "plum porridge," the forerunner of plum pudding—said because of its richness to symbolize the gifts of the Wise men; with little roast pigs; with brawn, the pressed and pickled meat of the boar; and with fancy little currant cakes called Yule babies.

Meanwhile the lord and his lady are greeting their neighbors and tenants. The hall is quickly filled with a gay company in their richest garments. When all are assembled, the Yule log, large enough to fill the huge fireplace, is dragged in and lighted from the charred remains of last year's log. The Christmas carol is also lighted. This is a candle "of monstrous size," which burns on the high table all twelve nights of the festival.

Then the festive and merry-making begins. Carols are sung as the wassail bowls go round. As the evening wears on all sorts of games are played. A favorite is search a raisin from a bowl of mince. The players try to "blame" others by snatching the raisin into the flames. "Here he comes with flamin' bowl, Don't be mean to take his toll, Snip! Snip! Dragon! 'Tisn't you don't take to much, Be not erre' in your clitch, Snip! Snip! Dragon! 'Tisn't his blue and lapping tongue

Many of you will be stung, Snip! Snip! Dragon!" Successful players must be quick and courageous. Unsuccessful players face the jeers of their comrades.

As the night approaches, chiming out, waits sing the gladdening of the Christ Child's coming, and all the merry-making ceases to the midnight service. The church, too, is hung with

evergreens, but here the mistletoe is banned, as savoring too much of pagan days.

Early on Christmas morning all attend another church service. Then follows breakfast in the hall, and by eleven o'clock hosts and guests are ready for the most elaborate feast of all—the Christmas dinner.

**A Great Christmas Feast**  
To the blast of trumpets and the music of minstrels the Lord of Misrule enters the hall, ushering in a picturesque company. First comes the head serving man called the sewer, accompanied by torch bearers and bearing high a silver platter. On it is the most important dish of the feast, the boar's head, surrounded with a garland of rosemary and bay holding in its mouth an apple or a lemon. Advancing at the head of a stately procession of nobles, knights, and ladies all chanting: "The boar's head, I understand, Is the chief service in this land; Look wherever it be found

Servito eum cantico, the sewer sets the platter before his lord. Following him the fairest lady of the company approaches, carrying aloft another platter containing the peacock. This proud bird has been skinned, cleaned, stuffed with spices and sweet herbs, and roasted, and then sewed into its own skin with all the brilliant plumage still on. To the lady who carries it in goes the honor of serving it. These ceremonies over, the wassail bowl is brought to the lord's table, mugs are filled, toasts drunk, and the dinner begins in real earnest.

Feasting and fun lasts far into the night.

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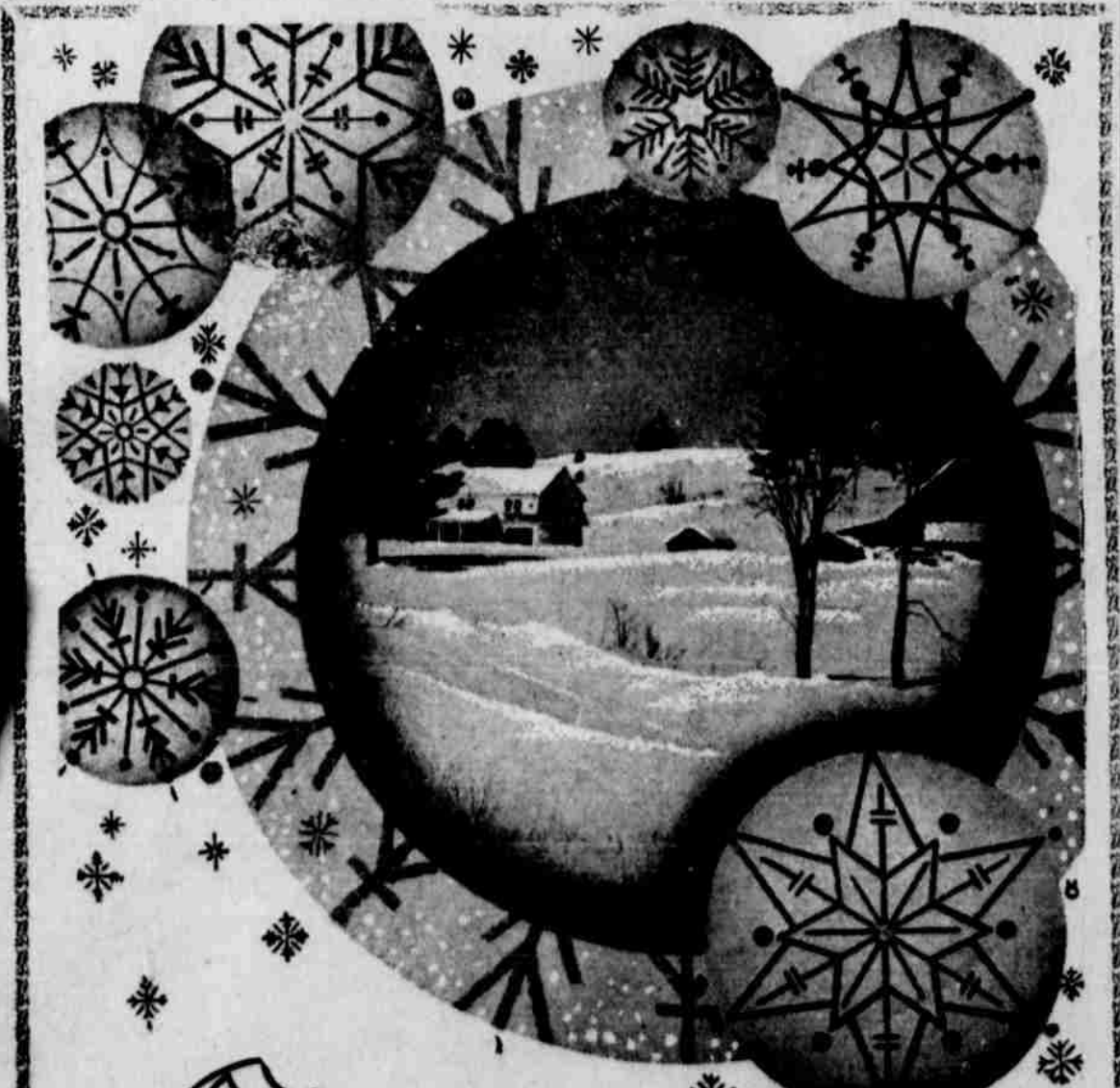


South Plains Creamery

# CHRISTMAS Blessings

As brightly as the Star of Bethlehem shone in the heavens on the night that He was born, so may the joy of Christmas shine in your heart and bring happiness and

**WINSTON INSURANCE AGENCY**



## Christmas Greetings

May the true spirit of Christmas bring joy to every home... contentment to every heart. And throughout the coming year, may we all know the peace and good will of which the angels sang on that Holy Night, long ago. To you and yours, we wish a very merry Christmas

**BATSON MOTOR CO.**  
DeSoto - Plymouth



## Merry Christmas

Christmas is for everybody... let every heart be young and joyful. We join Santa in sending to you the cheeriest greetings of the holiday season. Here's hoping you'll have a generous share of all the things that belong to Christmas... lots of laughter and singing, gifts and good wishes, fun and feasting, love and fellowship, peace and good will.

**Western Cotton Oil Company**  
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