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ME LXIV *** NWN SERVICE *** MEMPHIS, HALL COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 23, 1954 *** TEN CENTS *** NUMBER 30

Of C. Election Opens Next Week

election of officers and directors of the Memphis Board of Development opens next week with the election of ballots to all members of the board. The election will close Wednesday, and the new board will be named to one-year terms, while the four new members will serve for three years.

The board of directors of the Memphis Board of Development organization is composed of 12 members and an ex-officio member. The constitution and by-laws of the organization require four directors to retire each year, these individuals not to be eligible for re-election until one year has passed, as specified by a rotation system, adopted three years ago. Terms are staggered so that four of the holdover directors always have two years remaining to serve and the other four have one more year in office.

Board members who have two more years to serve are Dwight Kinard, Mills Roberts, Dick Fowler and Bluford Walker.

Those with one more year of board membership are J. M. Ferrel, Jr., O. M. Cosby, Jr., L. C. Martin and Rufus W. Grisham.

Completing their three-year service as directors are M. C. Allen, J. W. Coppedge, Ben Parks and Tommie M. Potts.

Parks, as the outgoing president of the organization, will be an ex-officio member of the board, as prescribed by the constitution and by-laws.

The four new members will be determined when ballots are canvassed at a meeting to be held early next month, after voting comes to an end.

Soon afterwards, the new board will choose the slate of officers who will head the Chamber of Commerce and Board of Development during the year ahead.

Both the new directors and the officers will be installed at the annual organization banquet, to be held on Thursday night, Feb. 10, in the high school gymnasium.

James E. Osborne, nine-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Osborne of Topeka, Kan. died shortly before midnight Sunday in a local hospital, following a brief illness.

Mr. Osborne is in the Air Force, stationed at Topeka, and he, with his family, was spending a furlough here with relatives. The baby, became sick after the Osbornes' arrival here.

Mr. Osborne is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Osborne of Brice, and Mrs. Osborne is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Robertson of Memphis.

Funeral services for James Stephen were held Tuesday at 2 p. m. in the Mission Baptist Church here. Rev. Milton O. Evans, pastor of the Baptist Church at Holiday, was in charge.

Burial was in Fairview Cemetery, under direction of Spicer Funeral Home.

The infant was born at Topeka, Feb. 24 of this year.

Pallbearers were Virgil Miller, W. H. Wood, Raymond Whitten and Billy West.

Following are the practices which were selected to compose the 1955 Hall County Agricultural Conservation Program, plus the federal cost-share payment for each:

Seeding grass on crop land, 50 per cent average cost of seed; reseeding native pasture, 25 per cent of seed and seeding; tree-planting mesquite or cedar, 50 per cent of cost not to exceed \$5 per acre; grubbing pricklypear, 15 cents per acre for each one per cent of infestation; controlling sagebrush, \$1.20 per acre; chemical control of mesquite, \$1.50 per acre; drilling water well, \$1.50 per foot; constructing earthen dams, 9 cents per cubic yard; constructing new terraces, regul-

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Restoring, enlarging and replacing old terraces, \$.0050 per foot; constructing diversion terrace, 4 cents per cubic yard; constructing erosion control dams, 9 cents per cubic yard; reorganizing irrigation system, 50 per cent of cost not to exceed \$15 per acre; leveling land for irrigation, 50 per cent of cost not to exceed \$15 per acre; seeding summer legumes, 50 per cent of cost of seed; establishing cover through-out 1955, 50 per cent of cost of

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And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. —Matthew 2:11

APPLICATIONS FOR CONSERVATION PAYMENTS NOW BEING ACCEPTED

Applications for inclusion in the Agricultural Conservation Program in Hall County the first three months of the coming year are now being taken at the Agricultural Stabilization & Conservation office here, according to Lynn L. McKown, office manager. Signups for various practices, recently chosen by A. S. C. county committeemen, will be received through Friday morning of next week.

The A. S. C. office is closed on Saturdays and during the holiday period also will be closed Friday of this week and on Friday afternoon next week.

Work under applications now being received, must be carried out sometime during January, February and March of 1955, McKown said.

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County Ginnings Exceed 40,000

Cotton ginnings in Hall County have passed the 40,000-pound mark, a survey of the 16 operating gins in the county disclosed Tuesday. The figure was 40,011 bales but the actual total at that stage of the season probably was somewhat larger since some of the data that was available only extended through Friday of last week. Apparently the final figure should be somewhere between 40,500 and 41,000 bales, if opinions of gin men who were contacted, prove correct.

Consensus of the ginners seemed to be that most cotton has been gathered, although there likely will be some "scrapping" until the first of the year or possibly a bit later. One gin man believed his gin would process 100 to 125 more bales before the season is over, while another gin was expected to handle 50 bales or so. Still another ginner declared his plant probably would gin around 75 additional bales.

One gin man said cotton is still coming in slowly in his community, adding that his company ginned 11 bales Monday and had ginned 10 bales by mid-afternoon Tuesday.

Other ginners felt that most of the cotton in the county has been gathered, one mentioning an arbitrary 99 per cent.

Because producers were favored with almost ideal harvest weather, they generally have realized the maximum income from their

cotton since the fleece maintained a high standard in both grade and staple throughout the current season. As a matter of record, various individuals have stated that they have never seen a fall comparable to this one, where cotton was so consistently good during the entire season. One ginner even told of one producer who received more for his last bale of cotton than he did for any of his others.

Growers apparently were fortunate. (Continued on Page 8, Sec. 1)

Childress Man Hurt In Auto Accident Saturday Evening

Jim H. Glass, 65 years old, of Childress, suffered painful but not serious injuries to his back and left shoulder and hand Saturday night when his automobile overturned in City Park here, according to Constable Jack Peabody. The injured man refused medical treatment.

Glass was fined \$20 on a careless driving charge, the officer said.

The automobile was badly smashed and had to be towed away after it overturned and rolled up onto an embankment, just north of the bridge at the entrance to the park, according to the officer. The bridge is at the south end of Sixth Street. The vehicle was a 1953 Pontiac sedan.

Peabody placed the time of the accident at about 8 o'clock Saturday night. He and Ben Spear, city policeman, investigated the mishap.

Annual CC Dinner Scheduled Feb. 10

Annual banquet of the Memphis Chamber of Commerce and Hall County Board of Development will be held Thursday night, Feb. 10, Clifford Farmer, manager of the civic organization, announced Monday. The dinner is scheduled to get underway at 7:30 o'clock, in the Memphis High School gym.

Louie E. Throgmorton, public relations director for the Republic National Bank of Dallas, will be the main speaker of the local organization.

During the evening, officers and new directors for the ensuing year will be installed.

Fire Damages Morningside Hotel

Minor damage resulted early Sunday morning from a fire on the second floor of the Johnson Hotel in Morningside, according to Bill Vardeman, driver for the Memphis Fire Department. Watson Johnson is owner and operator of the hotel, he said.

Principal damage was to a room in which a bed and mattress was consumed by flames, although another room was damaged by smoke and water, Vardeman said. Some glass window panes also had to be broken so firemen could get to the blaze, he continued. He estimated damage at about \$500.

The fire started about 1:45 a. m., when the hose to a heater became disconnected, allowing escaping gas to ignite, Vardeman explained.

Two fire trucks made the run and firemen were out approximately an hour.

The two story building contains a cafe downstairs and living quarters upstairs.

Commissioners Attend Convention

Hall County Commissioners George Blewer of Lakeview and Clinton Richburg of Estelline returned Friday from Houston, where they had attended the annual County Judges and Commissioners Association convention.

The three-day meeting, Dec. 14 through 16, was outstanding in all departments, the county commissioners reported. Attendance at one of the banquets they attended totaled 1700. Speakers on the programs delved into all phases of county government.

Weather Opens Bad But Swings To Good

Weather was "boogerish" the first part of the past week but made a "Panhandle" change late Sunday afternoon and since then it has been almost like spring.

Kollicking winds filled the atmosphere with dust last Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday but from late Sunday on it has been clear with rising temperatures. Afternoons this week have been warm enough to go without coats.

No moisture occurred during the period.

Mercury extremes, according to Weatherman John McMick-in, have been as follows: last Thursday 30-64 degrees; Friday 27-54; Saturday 23-54; Sunday 29-61; Monday 44-69; Tuesday 43-70; and Wednesday 32-70.



MARGARET ANN MASSEY

Local Girl Wins Scholastic Honors

A Memphis girl has won scholastic honors at Baylor University in Waco. She is Miss Margaret Ann Massey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Massey of Memphis.

Miss Massey, a junior at the Waco school, has been awarded sophomore honors, as a result of acquiring 278 grade points during her first two years of study at Baylor. This far exceeds the minimum of 180 points, required before a student becomes eligible for this special recognition.

Grades of Miss Massey to date have included 21 "A's", and three "B's", totaling 318 grade points.

After returning to the university in January, she will be initiated into the Texas Gamma chapter of Alpha Chi, national fraternity of students who rank in the upper five per cent of their classes.

Most Offices And Firms To Observe Christmas Day

Almost all Memphis business houses and offices will be closed Christmas Day, a survey made this week by the Chamber of Commerce indicated. Apparently, about the only firms which may be open are some service stations and cafes, and the theaters.

Also to be closed are city, coun-

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G. Gilbert Names Corporal

Named to corporal recently serving with the First Corps was Billy G. Gilbert, son of Mrs. Erbin Gilbert of

Erbin Gilbert is a clerk in the 17th Infantry Battery of the 17th Infantry Battalion and has been in the service since February. He is 23 years old.

To Meet At Home Sunday

Homecoming of the 17th Infantry Battalion, to be held at the home of Mrs. Erbin Gilbert, 11 o'clock, a homecoming sermon will be held.

Classes of 1912 and 1913 first basketball team to the state interscholastic basketball tournament at Austin will be honored.

Senior class will furnish music for the occasion.

Mothers of the senior class will serve lunch.

After the afternoon, ex-students will have time to visit and attend class meetings.

Requests that residents area notify relatives and who are former students of Estelline schools.

Warriors Honor Veterans Tuesday

College day program of the Rotary Club will be held Tuesday in the Ma-Building, according to an announcement this week by Gayle E. Powell, club president.

College students from the area are extended a cordial invitation to attend the program. Those who expect to attend are requested to make reservations no later than Monday by calling John Fowler at 231 or by mailing a note to Box 100, Estelline. Fowler is program chairman.

Crash Kills Father Of Former Resident Here

A Whitewright man was killed and a Brice couple were injured about 12:30 p. m. Wednesday when the automobiles in which they were riding was involved in a head-on collision on State Highway 256, just west of Memphis.

The crash occurred on the west side of a bridge, at the west city limits of Memphis.

Killed was Earl Forest Fortenberry, father of Mrs. J. W. Messer of Amarillo, former Memphis resident, and Mrs. Leon Hill, also of Amarillo. He lived at Hedley at one time. He was reported to have been living at Lockney during the cotton season, for the purpose of buying cotton.

Injured, but not believed seriously, were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hatley, Sr. Complete information on their injuries was not available at press time but Hatley's injuries were reported to include cuts and bruises about the face and head, plus shock. Mrs. Hatley's injuries were said to also include cuts and bruises but she was thought to be less seriously hurt than her husband.

Hatley was driving the 1953 Dodge sedan in which he and his wife were riding. He is about 65

and she is about 63.

The couple was taken to a local hospital in a Spicer ambulance. They were admitted after receiving emergency treatment. Both were to be x-rayed Wednesday afternoon to determine the complete extent of their injuries.

A car, driven by Highway Patrolman Noel Callaway, also was involved in the collision but Callaway was not injured.

Officers said Fortenberry was driving east and the Hatleys' and Callaway were headed west at the time of the crash. According to the officers, Fortenberry's car first struck the Hatley automobile and then the highway patrol car, driven by Callaway, which was following the Hatleys', officers explained. Authorities went on to explain that both Hatley and Callaway swerved off the highway in an effort to avoid Fortenberry's vehicle.

The fronts and windshields of the Hatley and Fortenberry cars were badly smashed but damage to the highway patrol car was much less extensive.

Fortenberry was riding alone in a 1949 Ford sedan.

Women Serve On Jury First Time

A new page was written in the history of Hall County Monday when women served on a jury for the first time.

The precedent-shattering event occurred at Turkey when two women, Mrs. Nadine Baiden and Mrs. Jessie Coker, were part of a jury of six which heard evidence in a case in the court of Justice of the Peace Guy Smith, according to County Attorney William B. Teague.

The case centered around an assault and battery charge brought by a Turkey woman against her husband.

After considering the testimony, the six jurors found the man guilty and he was assessed a \$5 fine, the minimum penalty for the offense, Teague said.

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Thousand Christmas Presents No Substitute For Person's Presence

"Even a thousand Christmas presents would be no substitute to your family for YOUR presence. For this reason, I urge everyone planning to take a motor trip this holiday season to drive with extra care."

R. B. Roaper of Houston, president of the Texas Safety Association, made that comment, in connection with the holiday Traffic Hazards program being conducted by The Texas Safety Association, the Texas Department of Public Safety, and the National Safety Council.

"In December, the weather man throws his whole book of tricks at drivers and walkers," said Roaper. "We can expect rain, snow, sleet, ice and hail."

"And to add to the problem we find more than half the day in either dusk or darkness in December. Putting all of these factors together, it doesn't make for easy driving."

Roaper said the best all-around safety advice he could give motorists was "slow down—adjust your speed to conditions." But he added these suggestions for motorists planning holiday trips:

1. Plan your trip so that as much of the driving as possible will be accomplished during the light hours of the day.
 2. Postpone your trip entirely when the weather is particularly rainy, snowy, or when sleet and hail are in the weather forecast.
 3. Be sure to consult a weather forecast for the area to which you're driving.
 4. Use tire chains at all times when the road is covered with snow or ice.
 5. Most important of all: Adjust your speed to conditions.
- "Thousands of American homes will be saddened by traffic deaths at this time of year," Mr. Roaper continued. "Many of these traffic deaths need not occur—will not occur—if every citizen in Texas gives some thought and effort to safe driving."

Report On Cotton Congress Available

AUSTIN—Proceedings of the 15th American Cotton Congress are available without charge through the University of Texas Cotton Economic Research Division.

The 119-page booklet includes discussions of cotton's current problems, the present price support program for cotton and cottonseed, recent developments in cotton breeding, progress in insect and disease control, weed control and defoliation, machinery for producing and harvesting cotton, and improvements in cleaning American cottons.

Other topics include the world cotton situation, mill requirements under present conditions, cotton markets, effect of fiber properties on product quality and processing efficiency, and new developments in research and education.

The booklet is published by the Texas Cotton Research Committee, composed of the heads of the University of Texas, Texas A&M College and Texas Technological College.

Farm-Fed Wheat Is Included In Quota Totals

COLLEGE STATION—When marketing quotas are in effect for wheat, that grown on acres in excess of farm acreage allotments is subject to quota penalties even if fed on the farm, says Claude K. McCan, chairman of the state ASC committee.

Many farmers have raised the question why wheat grown for feed—and not sold on the market—must be included under quota and allotment provisions. The law is clear on this point and is not a matter for administrative ruling adds McCan.

Smaller producers—those with acreage allotments of less than 15 acres—do not come under the marketing quota provisions if their total wheat production on the farm does not exceed 15 acres. In these cases, the penalty for exceeding acreage allotments is only the loss of wheat price support eligibility.

In all other instances, however, all wheat produced on acreage outside the established farm allotment is subject to quota penalties.

A road hog cannot grunt his way to safety.

Legal Notices

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Vernice Rogers, greeting: You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 10th day of January, A. D. 1955, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable District Court of Hall County, at the Court House in Memphis, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 24th day of November, 1954. The file number of said suit being No. 3628.

The names of the parties in said suit are Joe Billie Rogers as Plaintiff, and dVernice Rogers as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit:

A suit to dissolve the marriage between plaintiff and defendant by divorce, and for the care, custody and control of the two minor children of the plaintiff and defendant, wherein plaintiff alleges she is the proper person to have the care, custody and control of such children, and praying the court to award to plaintiff the care, custody and control of such children of plaintiff and defendant.

Issued this the 26th day of November, 1954.
Given under my hand and seal

of said Court, at office in Memphis, Texas, this the 26th day of November, A. D. 1954.

ISABELL CYPERT, Clerk District Court, Hall County, Texas 27-4c

Sometimes Christmas is written Xmas because "X" is the Greek equivalent of "ch" and stands for the word "Christ."

Sheriff Takes Forger To Pen

Sheriff E. S. Morrison returned late Saturday from Huntsville where he took L. J. Redus for imprisonment in the state penitentiary. Morrison and his prisoner left here last Thursday.

Redus, 34 years old, was assessed a five-year sentence in district court here, Dec. 8, after pleading guilty to a charge of forgery.

The charge against Redus was placed in connection with a check which he gave a local business firm on Aug. 9. Amount of the was \$20.

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JOYOUS GREETINGS at Christmas



May the hallowed peace of Christmas and the blessings of the season be with you always.

BANTA'S CAFE

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May this Yuletide be one of resounding joy and good cheer for you and all those dear to you.

A Happy Holiday Season

LINDSEY CLEANERS

619 Main St.

May the Peace and Happiness of Christmas Be Yours



Oh what fun it is to Shop the PIGGLY WIGGLY Way! Merry Christmas EVERYONE!

This Christmas Day And Every Day of the New Year

MEATS

DRESSED HENS	
Lb.	45c
PORK ROAST	
Lb.	45c
BEEF ROAST	
Lb.	35c
SLICED BACON	
Lb.	47c
CURED HAMS Half or Whole	
Lb.	59c

California Kentucky Wonder GREEN BEANS — Lb.	2
Pascal CELERY Stalk	15c
Ice Berg LETTUCE 2 Heads	25c
Fresh COCONUTS Each	1
Texas ORANGES	33c
5 Lbs. Delicious APPLES	2
Eatmor CRANBERRIES — Pound Box	2
Tokay GRAPES Lb.	15c
CANDIES AND NUTS	
Sun Spun Shelled PECANS, 1/4 lb.	3
Surf Maid OYSTERS Tin	42c
White Swan FRUIT COCKTAIL Tin	27c
Mrs. Tuckers SHORTENING 3 Lbs.	9
1 Lb. FREE	
Nabisco GRAHAM CRACKERS — Pound Pkg.	3
SUGAR — Powdered — Brown — 2 Pkgs.	2

BACON SQUARES Lb.	33c
Irvington Club GREEN BEANS Tin	32c
Mission PEAS Tin	15c
Baker's COCONUT Tin	19c
Best Maid CANDIED CHIPS 12 Oz. Jar	
SWEET PICKLES Pine Valley With Pimentoes	33c
SALAD OLIVES Tin	35c
Curtiss Marshmallows Pkg.	18c
Morton Salad Dressing Pt.	27c

White Swan CORN Tin	18c
White Swan PUMPKIN Tin	1
Dromedary DATES Pkg.	2
White Swan MINCE MEAT Pkg.	2
JELL-O 3 Pkgs.	25c
Nucoa Margarine Lb.	2

Betty Crocker Chocolate — White — Yellow CAKE MIXES — Pkg. 3

Greetings

In grateful appreciation for your friendship, as shown by the fine patronage you have given us, we wish you a Merry Christmas.

LAWRENCE HATCHERY
Ira Lawrence

SEASONS

We wish you abounding good fortune, the best of health, and a season of happiness on this glad Christmas occasion.

GREETINGS

BURLESON SERVICE STATION
Phone 660 319 Noel

Memphis Little Theatre Enjoys Yuletide Party In R. S. Greene Home Friday

Lighting the year's activities of the Memphis Little Theatre enjoyed a Christmas party on Friday evening in the home of the club president, Mrs. R. S. Greene.

was enjoyed and Christmas carols sung to conclude the meeting. Assisting Mrs. Greene with hostess duties were Gladys Power, Myrtle Howard and Mrs. Jim Beeson. Enjoying this affair were Mmes. A. Anisman, Jim Beeson, Harry Boswell, Herschel Combs, J. W. Coppedge, John Deaver, L. G. DeBerry, Claude Ferrel, Leo Fields, Gayle Greene, R. S. Greene, T. M. Harrison, Boyd Rogers, Robert Sexauer, Gladys Power, Myrtle Howard, Misses Helen Boswell, Mary Foreman, Ethel Hillhouse, and Roselyn Williams.

PLASKA

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Hall visited Mr. and Mrs. Burton Hughes in Silverton Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Hall have been visiting their daughter, Mrs. Conrad Cochran, in Odessa, who is ill.

Sue Hall, student at Midwestern University in Wichita Falls, is home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Hall.

Mrs. Tommy Thompson and Johnny, Eula Bell Hall and Carolyn and Lucille Teel were Amarillo visitors Thursday. Mrs. Teel remained for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ramsey.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Barnett visited over the weekend in Lubbock in the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Barnett.

Mrs. J. S. Hartsell and Billie visited Sunday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Emmalee Nabers.

Mrs. A. D. Newby spent from Wednesday until Sunday in Amarillo with Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Anderson and went from there to Oklahoma City, Okla., to spend Christmas with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Pauline Williams has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Sally Hendrickson for the past two weeks who was ill. Her mother passed away Thursday morning in Sulphur Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Molloy spent Friday night in Amarillo with Mr. and Mrs. Garner Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kulp, Buckie and Veni Gale are here from Lawrence, Kansas, spending the holidays in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Molloy.

Mrs. Rhodia Davis is spending the holidays in Whitharrel with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Grant.

Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Durrett and Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Nabers attended the funeral of their grandmother, Mrs. Sally Hendrickson, who passed away Dec. 16 in Sulphur Springs.

A. C. Sams and Mrs. T. E. Lenoir were shopping in Amarillo Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Spanagel and family of San Antonio are here spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Galloway and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Bray were shoppers in Childress Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Galloway and Kay Lynn visited Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Galloway Wednesday night.

Mrs. E. J. Galloway Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Galloway and Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Spanagel and children attended a Mexican dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Galloway in Memphis Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Koeniger and children are spending Christmas in Long Beach, Calif., with relatives and friends.

Ed Hillhouse visited in the morning.

W. L. Nabers home Tuesday morning.

Locals and Personals

John H. Patterson of Memphis, Tenn., is visiting his wife and also his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Patterson.

Mrs. Bob Hightower of Wellington and Mrs. Bill Duncan of Seattle, Washington, visited Mrs. W. L. Nabers home Tuesday morning.

Whitey Middleton and family Sunday.

Mrs. Allan Monzingo, Mrs. Frank Monzingo went to Amarillo to meet Roger Wednesday who arrived home to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Simon and family of Amarillo visited here Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Maggie Simon and sister, Mrs. Leo Fields and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Creed Lamb of Littlefield visited over the weekend with Mrs. Jean Lamb and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Kilgore and Mike of Los Alamos, New Mexico, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Gardenhire and Mrs. T. J. Kilgore.

Peggy Smith, student at TWC in Fort Worth is visiting her mother, Mary Smith over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Fowler are visiting in Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Shankle visited in Houston over the weekend with his mother, Edna Shankle, and in Ranger with her mother, Mrs. W. F. Ewing.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Appleby of Pampa and Barry and Debbie Ferrel went to Dallas last week to meet Pat Craver who will spend the Christmas holidays here.

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Society News



Mrs. Joseph Thomas Slaney, Jr.

Pretty Service In Fairbanks, Alaska Unites Miss Calhoun And Sgt. Slaney

The Ladd Base Chapel, decorated with chrysanthemums, stock, gladioli and some carnations, was the scene of the wedding of Miss Charlotte M. Calhoun and S/Sgt. Joseph Thomas Slaney, Jr., Saturday afternoon, November 29 in Fairbanks, Alaska. Chaplain Ersmund Swaffler officiated.

A prelude of organ music was played by Airman Hesse who also accompanied Rita Thomas, vocalist, as she sang nuptial selections.

Given in marriage by her father, Captain Lesley H. Calhoun, the bride was attired in a gown of white tulle with a redingote of Chantilly lace. She wore a small cap of seed pearls with a fingertip veil and carried a white orchid surrounded by tiny white carnations on a white Bibie.

Miss Janice J. Scott of Ladd AFB was maid of honor. She wore a dress of pale green and white net over white satin. Her flowers were small yellow chrysanthemums.

The bridesmaids, Miss Gail Sharp and Miss Hitchcock, both of Fairbanks, Alaska, wore net and satin dresses of pale blue and yellow respectively. They both carried bouquets of chrysanthemums.

Mrs. Calhoun, the bride's mother, wore a royal blue velvet dress with pink carnations and a Spanish Mantilla of link lace.

Lesley Howard Calhoun, brother of the bride, was best man and Edward Maddox, Jr., and Charles Summer were ushers.

Mrs. A. W. Howard, the bride's maternal grandmother, with Mrs. Samuel F. Whiteside and Mrs. Charles J. Imbordino, aunts of the bride, flew from Lubbock to attend the wedding.

The bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Thomas Slaney, Sr., of York, Penn., were unable to be present.

A reception for 200 guests was held in the Caribou Room of the

Wesleyan Guild Enjoys Annual Christmas Party

The Wesleyan Service Guild met Monday night in the home of Miss Ira Hammond for their annual Christmas dinner.

Many Christmas decorations were used throughout the reception rooms with emphasis on the falling of snow.

Mrs. Mac Tarver, president of the W. S. C. S., gave the invocation.

The menu consisted of chicken pie, black-eyed peas, baked asparagus, fruit salad, stuffed celery, olives, pickles, hot rolls, apple pie and coffee.

The meal was served at beautifully decorated foursome tables and a large dining table, which was centered with a snow scene backgrounded with the letters, W. S. G., and illuminated with small candles.

After dinner, gifts which were resting beneath the decorated Christmas tree, were distributed to the members. Following the traditional gift exchange, the group sang Christmas carols.

Enjoying this affair were Mmes. H. B. Bennett, W. T. Bates, Hester Bownds, Barney Burnett, Ruby Compton, John Fowler, A. Gidden, A. O. Gidden, Gordon Gilliam, Geo. Greenhaw, Mabel Lavender, R. V. Messer, Dewey Myers, Clyde Morris, Mary Owens, Robert Spicer, L. A. Stillwell, Walter Jameson, Edwin Hutcherson, J. H. Sharp, R. T. Tiner, Mac Tarver, Lee Brown, Hettie Newman, Mildred Stephens, W. V. Coursey and Misses Jessie Chancey, Neville Wrenn and Ira Hammond.

Officers' Club after the ceremony.

Sgt. Slaney and his bride flew to Riverside, Calif., on December 1, where they will make their home. Sgt. Slaney will be with the 523rd Air Force Band at March Air Force base.

Estelline Club Fetes Husbands With Xmas Dinner

The members of the 1952 Culture Club of Estelline entertained their husbands at a Christmas dinner in the spacious country home of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Clifton on Thursday evening, December 16. The entertaining rooms were most attractively decorated with Christmas motifs. On the menu were baked turkey, candied yams, green beans, dressing, gravy, cranberry delight, hot rolls, butter, coffee or tea, pumpkin pie and whipped cream.

Following the dinner gifts were exchanged from a lighted tree. Table games were enjoyed.

Attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ballard, Mrs. D. T. Eddins, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Eddins, Mrs. Ralph Holland, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Hutchins, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. Don Leary, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mothershead, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Rapp, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whaley, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Wood, and Mr. and Mrs. Helen Clifton.

Kathryn Wright, Carol Ann Monzingo and Joanna Davis, were Amarillo shoppers Saturday.

Sheldon Anisman, student at University of Texas in Austin is home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Anisman.

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Burnett-Patton Nuptial Vows Read In Beautiful Church Service In Carlsbad

An impressive double-ring ceremony in Fox and Lake Church of Christ in Carlsbad, N. M., united in marriage Miss Betty Carolyn Burnett and Clinton Patton Sunday afternoon, November 27. Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. B. I. Burnett of Carlsbad, N. M., and formerly of Memphis and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Patton, also of Carlsbad.

Minister Loye C. Ruckman officiated.

Lighted tapers in branched candelabras flanked the altar, which was beautiful with palms and baskets of yellow and bronze mums.

Escorted to the altar and given in marriage by her father, the bride was attired in a waltz-length strapless gown of embroidered net over white taffeta. The fitted jacket was fashioned with a paterpan collar and long sleeves that tapered to petal points over the hands. Her veil of illusion fell in misty folds from a cap encrusted with tear drop pearls. She carried a bouquet of white carnations enhanced with white satin ribbon streamers.

The something old was a wedding ring belonging to the bride's grandmother. She carried an old coin in her shoe and wore a blue garter.

Miss Johnny McDaniel of Memphis was maid of honor. She wore an antique taffeta gown fashioned with low neckline and fitted bodice with full skirt.

Miss Pat Marsh and Miss Norman Morrow were bridesmaids. They wore identical waltz-length dresses of gold taffeta and they and the maid of honor wore rhinestone earrings which were gifts from the bride.

Bobby Burnett, brother of the bride, and Doss Morrow lighted the candles.

The bride's mother was attired in a brown crepe dress featuring brown accessories and a corsage of yellow carnations. The bridegroom's mother in a brown suite with harmonizing accessories wore a corsage of yellow carnations.

Miss Greta Bass, Benny Jay, Gene Cutler and Ronnie Smith sang "Ah Sweet Mystery of Life" as the candles were lighted. They sang "I Love You Truly" and after the ceremony the "Wedding Prayer."

Miss Joanna Davis of Memphis registered the wedding guests.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held in the church parlor.

The bride's table was centered with a tiered wedding cake topped with a miniature bride and groom standing under an arch of

flowers. The cake was iced with yellow and green and circled by a floral and lacy fern arrangement.

Mrs. C. M. Norris, Mrs. Kenneth Webber and Mrs. A. P. DeWees served the wedding cake to about 80 guests.

The bride's going away ensemble was a grey wool suit with charcoal accessories and a corsage of white carnations.

The couple are now at home at 305 1/2 South Alameda after a short honeymoon.

The bride graduated from high school in Memphis, where she was selected F. F. A. sweetheart, member of student council, F. H. A. president, band twirler and senior class favorite. She has been employed by the American Bank of Carlsbad.

The bridegroom is employed by the City Fire Department and is an active member of the local Naval Reserve.



Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Patton

Wedding Shower Compliments Bride At Estelline Friday

Mrs. Narcissus Mendez, the former Velma Daves, of Estelline was complimented with a wedding shower in the homemaking cottage on Friday afternoon, December 10.

Hostesses were: Mesdames E. R. Gilbert, George McMinn, E. F. Kennedy, C. H. Williams, Paul Buchanan, J. H. Hayes, Jim Longbine, Jack Cosper, Manuel Burnett, Frank Cooper, and Miss Edrena Williams.

The hostess' gift was a set of Wear-ever cooking utensils.

On the program, Patsy Mabry read "A Radio Recipe," Karen Eddins read "Advice to the Bride," and Patsy Mabry, Donnalene Williams, Mary Mendez and Clair Eddins, accompanied by Karen Eddins sang "Make Love to Me."

Mrs. C. H. Williams registered the guests.

Mrs. George McMinn and Mrs. Jim Longbine poured the punch and served the cookies.

Delphians Enjoy Christmas Party In Thomson Home

The Delphian Club met in the beautifully decorated home of Mrs. B. J. Thomson for their Christmas program on Tuesday, December 14, at 4:00 p. m.

Members opened the program by giving their pledge of allegiance to the flag, after which Mrs. Weldon McCreary, president, held a short business session.

Mrs. Sidney Baker, program chairman, introduced the program for the afternoon with the devotional given on Christmas.

Mrs. Clyde Smith reviewed "The First New England Christmas" as it was held in the 16th century, and compared it with our present day of celebrating Christmas.

All members of the Delphian Club brought gifts for the Wichita Falls Mental Hospital, after

Perkins-Hardwick Vows Read In Carlsbad

which gifts were exchanged to the members.

One new member, Mrs. Clark, was welcomed into the Delphian Club.

Refreshments carrying a holiday theme were served following members: Mesdames Anisman, Sidney Baker, Barnes, Jack Boone, Robert W. C. Dickey, Henry Hayes, Hodges, Lynn McKown, McCreary, J. S. McMurry, Porter, Clyde Smith, J. W. Leon Thomas, R. H. Warren, the hostess, Mrs. B. J. Thomson.

Miss Charlotte Perkins and Johnny Hardwick were married on November 29 in Los Angeles, Calif. The groomson of Mrs. Ruby Hardwick and formerly of the Delphian Club.

The newlyweds are at present in Sacramento, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Edwards attended the football game on Saturday.

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Letters To Santa Claus

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 Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa: I am a little girl 22 months old. Please bring me a doll.
 Love,
 Debbie Yarbrough

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me for Christmas, an electric football game and an English bicycle. Thank you Santa.
 Your little friend,
 Tommy Gunstream

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me for Christmas, a bicycle and a red wagon. Thank you Santa.
 Your little friend,
 Jimmy Stewart

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I want a gun set for Christmas and also some binoculars.
 Love,
 Raymond W. Howard

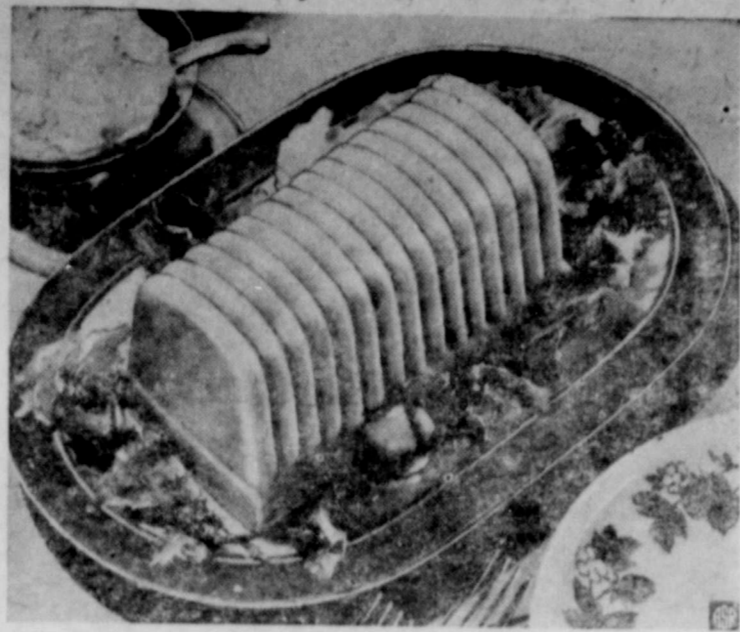
Estelline, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a boy nine years old. I would like to have a twin holster and gun set.
 Love,
 Billy Farris

Estelline, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl. My name is Lorna Williams. Please bring me a doll, and a wrist watch. I sure enjoyed the toys you brought me last year.
 Your friend,
 Lorna Williams

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a Little Red Riding Hodd Doll, a doll buggy, a doll bed and a sea set.
 Your little friend,
 Betty

Estelline, Texas
 Although Christmas is the celebration of the birth of Jesus, the roots of the observance go deeply into the folklore of the Druids, Scandinavians, Romans, and Egyptians.

Holiday For Leftovers



There's nothing that pleases the creative homemaker more than to prepare a pristine fresh party dish out of dobs and dats that line the refrigerator after a few big holiday dinners and parties.

A cup worth of cooked poultry, pecans from the festive nut bowl, a touch of pickle relish, a bit of crushed pineapple, a package of lemon-flavored gelatin contributed by the kitchen supply shelf—and you're practically set for this delicious and substantial molded salad entree.

Molded Holiday Potpourri

- 1 package lemon-flavored gelatin
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- Dash of pepper
- Dash of paprika
- 1 1/2 cups hot chicken consommé*
- 2 tablespoons vinegar
- 1/4 cup mayonnaise
- 1 cup diced cooked chicken or turkey
- 1/2 cup finely diced celery
- 1 tablespoon chopped pimento
- 1 tablespoon chopped parsley
- 1/4 cup drained canned crushed pineapple
- 1/4 cup coarsely chopped pecans
- 2 tablespoons sweet pickle relish

Dissolve gelatin, salt, pepper, and paprika in hot chicken consommé. Add vinegar and mayonnaise; blend well. Chill until slightly thickened. Then fold in remaining ingredients. Pour into 1-quart mold or individual molds. Chill until firm. Unmold on crisp lettuce. Garnish with additional mayonnaise and radish roses, if desired. Makes 6 servings.

*If desired, use 1 1/2 cups boiling water and 2 chicken bouillon cubes; omit salt.

Enlistments And Separations For November Listed

AUSTIN—Selective Service and the armed forces reported 3,988 Texans as entering on active duty during November, while at the same time reporting 5,368 as being separated.

According to a report mailed to national Selective Service headquarters by Brigadier General Paul L. Wakefield, state Selective Service director, Texas in November inducted 1,027 men into its army, other states drafting 38 Texans on transfer.

The Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard enlisted a larger number of men who call Texas their home state—a total of 2,923. More went into the Air Force than any other uniformed service.

According to the reports received from the different services, more men were separated from the Army than from the other services. Total separation of Texans in all forces exceeded entries by 1,380 individuals.

Texas draft boards sent 2,444 men for pre-induction examinations in November, and the Army turned down 892, or approximately 36 per cent, as unacceptable for service.

"The armed forces makes the decision as to acceptability," General Wakefield commented, "not Selective Service."

Three Texas physicians and two dentists were reported as commissioned in the armed forces in November after an order to report for induction had been issued.

During the same period, nine doctors and dentists were examined for future service. Six more were found unacceptable and three acceptable by the armed forces.

The street festivals of Italy and Spain had fire works at Christmas-time. America now has illuminated community trees. In some places, fireworks still persist.

Christmas cakes, iced cookies and other goodies are survivals of the old custom of giving confectionery gifts to the Senators of Rome.

Greetings

May Christmas joys and memories live on during the coming year and keep you in constant company with happiness.



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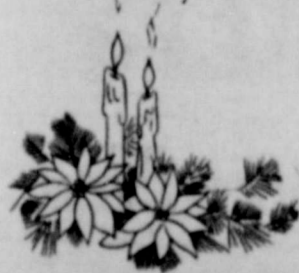
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Dear Santa Claus:
I am a big girl five years old. Would you bring me a doll in a suit case and a pair of skates? Santa, I love you so much. Your helpers are nice too to make so many nice toys. I hope they have made enough for all the little boys and girls. We will leave a light on for you. It is so hard to wait.
Love,
Rene' Wood

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
Please bring me a Terri Lee doll as I have been so good. I could use a small grocery push cart that has a seat for my doll if you have one left. I'll have my Xmas stocking hanging up so you can put some good things in it.
I love you,
Connie Childress

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little girl two and one-half years old. I have tried to be good. Please bring me a doll buggy, doll, piggy bank, table and chair set and anything else you want to bring me.
I love you very much,
Fleta Gay Coldiron

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl four years old. I want a hatchet, gun, and cow girl boots. I don't want a doll for I would just break it anyway. Don't forget my little cousins over in France and all of the little boys and girls. I will be at Aunt Edith's for Christmas and will leave you a cup of hot chocolate by the chimney.
Your little friend,
Sue Lynn Crawford

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy ten years old and I would like a pair of skates and a radio station for Christmas. I am in the fourth grade and my teacher is Margaret McElreath. Please remember her. Also I would like to have some fruit, candy and nuts.
Love,
Joey McKnight

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little girl three years old. I have tried to be good this year. I would like to have a doll, a doll buggy, some dishes and some candy and fruit.
Yours truly,
Patricia Blum

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I'm a little girl three and one-half years old. I have tried to be a good girl this year. I want you to bring me a walking doll and bicycle. Also candy, fruit and nuts. Remember all the other little boys and girls.
Your little friend,
Marsha Lynn Helm

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl eight years old and I am in the second grade. I would like to have a Ring 'n Buzz Toy Switchboard and a pair of skates for Christmas. Also some fruit, nuts and candy.
Please remember my friends and my teacher, Mrs. Hill.
Love,
Deanna McKnight

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
You have never been to see me at my house but I liked pulling your whiskers when you were at the court house. Would you bring me a baby doll and teddy bear? My sister and I would share a pretty red wagon.
My mother has some things for you to eat under the tree.
Love,
Tanya Wood

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
Please bring me a wagon, some guns and don't forget my little brother, Tommy. Bring him a bunch of little toys.
Thank you,
Jerry Don Hall

Amarillo, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little girl only seven months old and I was afraid you might forget me if I didn't write to tell you what I want. I want a little rubber dolly and maybe a rattler or two will do.
Mostly Santa, I want to remind you of all my little cousins and other little friends. You'll find my stocking hanging by the Christmas tree.
Love,
Brenda Simmons

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little girl almost six years old and I think I have been good enough for a bicycle this Christmas and a little girl doll. My brother would like just any kind of guns and a big football. My little sister would be happy with whatever you think best for her. Our stockings will be hung for fruit and nuts.
Love,
Elizabeth Dee, Steven and Jana Johnson

Mrs. J. A. Ballard Entertains Seniors Of Estelline School

Mrs. J. A. Ballard, sponsor of the 1955 graduating class of Estelline High School, entertained the class with a Christmas party in her spacious home in Estelline on Wednesday evening, December 15.

The home was attractively decorated with seasonal motifs and featured a lighted tree. Table games were played.

A buffet supper was served. On the menu were: tuna salad, pimento, cheese salad, crackers, bread, olives, pickles, potato chips, fruit punch, and fruit cake with whipped cream.

Late in the evening gifts were exchanged. To conclude the evening the group sang Christmas carols.

Attending were: Gladys Altman, Wynnell Bell, Eddie Braidfoot, Billy Mack Burnett, Dwain Crisman, Smokey Davis, Tristan Hoffman, Helen Kisselburg, Cara Sue Latham, Geraldine Rea, Barbara Smith, Doris Thomas, Tommie Jane Travis, Doyle Walker, Shirley Ward, Henry Williams, Franklin Wyatt, and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ballard.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Hillis and daughter, Carolyn Kay, of Casper, Wyo., are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Hillis of Clarendon, and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Montgomery of Lesley, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Barbee, Jr., and Melissa went to Jacksboro to meet Mrs. Eddie Pate and children Sunday who are spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. E. T. Prater and other relatives.

Kathy and Vickie Jones and Elizabeth (Liz) Johnson were shoppers in Amarillo Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shadid of Vernon were Memphis visitors Sunday.

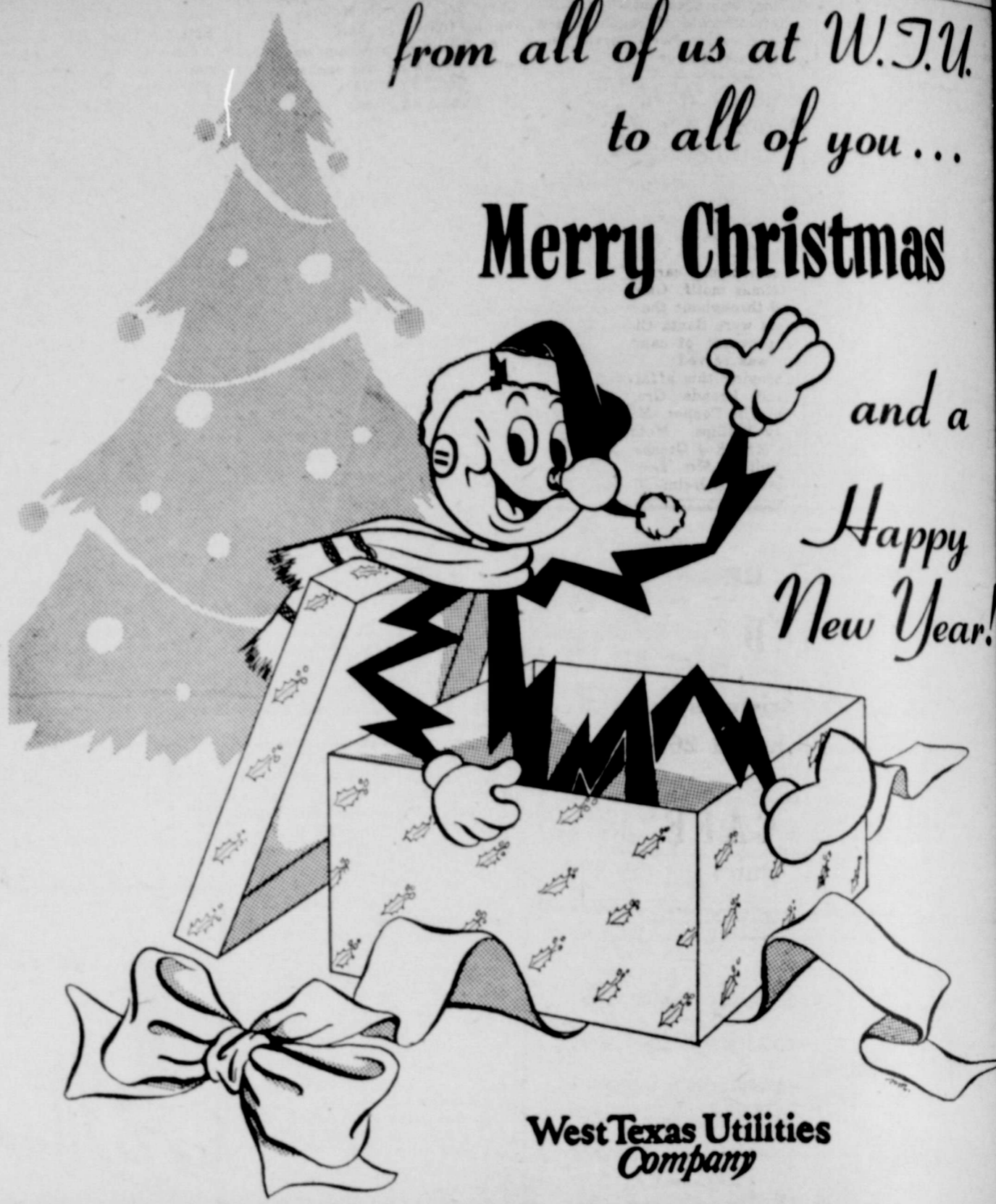
A. Baldwin and Mrs. Rouse are visiting in Dallas the holidays.

Helen Bishop, and Shackelford spent the holidays with Willie Owens.

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Let us again reaffirm our faith in God and be guided by the teachings of Christ to be charitable to our fellowmen.

Let us pray for the less fortunate, who exist under oppression, that they will have the strength and courage to cast off the yoke of tyranny and again become free men.

Let us ever be mindful of this great nation of ours, populated, governed and loved by its peoples of many racial origins and religious beliefs; but Americans all.

Let us pray that free nations of the world will stand united for universal peace and understanding with good will to all mankind.

In the true spirit of Christmas, we extend our cordial greetings to everyone, and hope that you and yours will have the best of everything when the New Year arrives.

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Time P. T. A. Presents Christmas Program Monday

All-school Christmas program presented to a capacity when the Estelline P. T. A. Association met on Monday evening, December 13, at the school.

The program was introduced by Mrs. F. Kennedy, program chairman. On the program were: welcome; numbers: welcome, singing numbers: welcome, and eighth girls; play, "Toyshop," students of second and third grades; unusual costumes that were the attractiveness; Christmas Surprise," by Mrs. F. Kennedy, sixth grade pupils; songs, "The Showman," "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," "Silent Night" and "Away in a Manger," reading, "Twelve Days of Christmas," by Mrs. F. Kennedy, sixth grade pupils; songs, "The Showman," "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," "Silent Night" and "Away in a Manger," reading, "Twelve Days of Christmas," by Mrs. F. Kennedy, sixth grade pupils; songs, "The Showman," "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," "Silent Night" and "Away in a Manger," reading, "Twelve Days of Christmas," by Mrs. F. Kennedy, sixth grade pupils.

the high school choir, accompanied by Jeanne Self. The girls in the choir wore green skirts and all in the choir wore white choir robes with red bows at the neckline.

Following the enjoyable program, the new president, Mrs. Bill Collins, was presented.

Refreshments of punch or soft-fee and cookies were served during the social hour.

Jane Helm Is Honoree On 7th Birthday Saturday

Mrs. Dude Helm entertained with a party Saturday afternoon honoring her daughter Jane on her seventh birthday anniversary at the family home near Newlin.

Decorations carried out the Christmas motif. Games were enjoyed throughout the party hours. Favors were Santa Claus balloons and packages of candy. Birthday cake was served.

Enjoying this affair were Cindy and Brenda Gresham, Mike Helm, Jill Cooper, Marsha Helm, Randy Phillips. Mothers present were Mrs. Roy Gresham, Mrs. Cecil Phillips, Mrs. Leon Helm and hostess, Mrs. Helm.

IOOF And Rebekah Lodges Feature Christmas Program

Members of the Memphis Lodge No. 444 IOOF and Memphis Rebekah Lodge No. 346 enjoyed a Christmas party on Monday evening at the lodge hall.

A Christmas program was presented following the exchange of gifts. The program included a piano solo by Brenda Duncan; ballet dance by Abbie Louise Massey; instrumental number, "Joy to the World" and "O Come, All ye Faithful" by Linda Godfrey and Walter Smith, clarinets, and Brenda Duncan, piano; reading, "Three Cheers for Christmas" by Neita Gayle Reed; "Grown Up Child's Letter to Santa Claus"; and a reading by Ouida Massey.

The Christmas story was given by Mrs. John Smith and the Christmas scripture from the 2nd chapter of Luke was read by Mrs. Isabel Cypert. T. J. Bridges offered prayer.

Estelline Class And Guests Enjoy Holiday Party Fri.

Members of the Estelline sophomore class and guests enjoyed a party in the agriculture room at the school building on Friday evening, December 10.

Table games were played. Cookies and cold pop were served.

Attending were: J. R. Adamson, sponsor, and James Webb, Carl Williams, Elvie Williams, Robbie Self, James Huffmaster, Marue Beverly, Pete Williams, Ronny Bruce, Tommy Simon, Ronald Crump, Nelda Arnold, Jimmie Dunn, Karen Eddins, Carl Cosper, Evelyn Hudlow, Patsy Mabry, Janet Long, Bennie Nelson, Jeanne Self, Keith Rogers and Clair Bryant.

County Schools Observe Holidays

All Hall County schools are scheduled to observe Christmas holidays, according to information furnished by Miss Mary Foreman, county superintendent.

Estelline and Turkey schools will close Thursday afternoon and remain closed until Monday, Jan. 3. Classes at the Lakeview schools will be dismissed at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon to be resumed Jan. 3.

Memphis schools turned out last Friday and will re-open Jan. 3.

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:
I would like for Christmas, a walking doll, and doll buggy. Also some doll clothes. I'm four years old.

Thank you Santa
Linda Carol Howard

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank this opportunity to thank all of our friends and neighbors for the sympathy and kindness shown during the death of our loved one. Especially do we wish to thank you for the food and flowers. May God bless each one of you.

The family of P. A. Archer

Perry Hale ahs returned to Ft. Worth for skin grafting.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brewer and Glenda Lou of Wellington visited here Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Combs.

Mr. and Mrs. George R. Cullin visited here the past weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Cullin have moved from Slaton to Matador.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn McKown and boys have returned from Orange where they visited for several days with Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Calvin. Mr. Calvin is a brother of Mrs. McKown.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Carlos visited their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thorn in Amarillo Sunday.

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More Top Spellers Named This Week

The weekly "Spellers of the Week" list, containing the names of top spellers in the various county schools, was announced Wednesday by Miss Mary Foreman, county superintendent.

On the list are the following:
Estelline — Gerry Kennedy, sixth grade; Mike Cope, seventh; and Gary Adams, eighth.

Lakeview — David Payne, fifth grade; and Katherine Sanders, eighth.

Turkey — Billy Don Lane, fifth grade; Donny Wood, sixth; Betty Tatum, seventh; and Bobby Hanna, eighth.

Best spellers in the Memphis schools were as follows:
Austin School — Barbara Gambill, sixth grade.

Travis School — Ann McCreary, fourth grade; Wanda Jean Aaron, fifth; Teresa Beckham, another fifth grade section; and Shari Ann Gentry, sixth.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Crow of El Paso visited the past weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Baker. Mr. Crow is a safety engineer with the Bureau of Reclamation.

Beverly Middleton visited in Clarendon over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Dick Shelton and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Dennis, Dink Dennis and Joanna Davis visited Jim Martindale in Childress Friday night.

Loretta Hutcherson arrived home today to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Ellerd spent Thursday night in Amarillo with their daughter, Mrs. Ethelyn Ammidown.



May there come to you at this Christmas time all the precious things of life—health, happiness and enduring friendships.

Merry Christmas

C. T. SNOWDON

WE WILL BE CLOSED

Day Saturday (Christmas) and on Sunday, Dec. 25th and 26th.

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Bill and Al Dunn

Merry Christmas to you!

from
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Pure Cane, 5 Lb. 50c; 10 Lb. 98c
FEE, Folgers, 1 Lb. \$1.05; 2 Lb. \$2.05
K. All Kinds, Sm. 7c; Lg. 14c
T. Mortons Round Box 11c
COO or SPRY, 3 Lb. 91c
erred or Brown SUGAR, 1 Lb. Box 14c
en Cooking CHOCOLATE, Bar 54c
en COCONUT, Can 18c
SHMALLOWs, Lg. Pkg. Curtiss 18c
ays CHOCOLATE DAINTIES, Pkg. 29c
ed PECANS, 3 Oz. 33c; 7 Oz. 69c; 14 Oz. \$1.31
LO, All Flavors, 2 Boxes 17c
WING GUM, All Kinds, 2 Pkgs. 7c
CATSUP, Lg. Bottle 25c
o or Ajax CLEANSER, 2 Cans 25c
P POWDER, All Kinds, Lg. 32c; Giant 75c
LET PAPER, Scot Tissue, 2 Rolls 23c
r NAPKINS, 80 Count, Pkg. 13c
um FOIL, Roll 28c
ENEX, 200 size 15c; 300 Size 23c
APPLE JUICE, 46 Oz. Can 35c
ebells SOUP, Tomato 12c; Vegetable 15c
ebells SOUP, All 20c Cans 18c
BLACKKEYED PEAS, No. 2 Cans 15c
on Club Whole GREEN BEANS, Can 28c
POTATOES, Kuners, Can 12c
Swan English PEAS, Lg. Can 20c
CHES, HD, Med. Can 20c; Lg. Can 29c
IT COCKTAIL, Med. Can 25c; Lg. Cans 39c
RS, Lg. Cans HD 41c
's Fancy Pickled PEACHES, Lg. Can 39c
ROTS, Celo Pkg. 12c
UCE, Lg. Heads, Xtra nice, Each 13c
ERY, Lg. Stalk 16c; Celery Hearts 22c
NBERRIES, Fresh Stock, 1 Lb. Box 26c
COCONUTS, Lg. Size, Each 15c
PEFRUIT, Lg. Ruby Red, 3 For 25c
la TANGERINES, Lb. 12c
unkist ORANGES, All Sizes, Lb. 12c
ES, xtra fancy Washington del. all sizes, lb. 18c
ANAS, Nice Yellow fruit, Lb. 18c
SO MARGARINE, All Kinds, Lb. 30c
BISCUITS, 2 Cans 25c
ORANGE JUICE, Dulaneys, Can 21c
ICE CREAM, Pints 25c; 1/2 Gal. 79c
CHARLOTTE FREEZE, 1/2 Gal. 49c

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Merry Christmas

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CELERY Fresh Calif. Stalk 15c		HAM ENDS Cured, Lb. 45c	
Cocoanuts Fresh, Each 15c		HENS Fresh Dressed, Lb. 45c	
LETTUCE Firm Heads 13c		FRYERS Fresh Grade "A", Lb. 45c	
KY. BEANS Fresh Snappy, Lb. 29c		BOLOGNA All Meat, Lb. 45c	
Grapefruit Ruby Reds, 2 For 19c		Picnic Hams Lean Meaty, Lb. 45c	

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Editorial

Christ And A Better World

A great many changes have occurred in the world during
the past two thousand years and quite a number of them can
safely be said to have come about because of the birth of an
infant in Bethlehem. Christ may have been born in a lowly
manger but there is little question that he has had one of the
greatest impacts on our civilization of any individual known to
man.

At the time of the Christ Child's birth, human rights and
dignity apparently were non-existent as far as large numbers
of persons were concerned. In far too many instances, poor peo-
ple were no more than the pawns of the ruling classes, to be
treated as the rulers saw fit, sometimes as slave laborers, some-
times as fighters in wars which were fought to perpetuate cruel
dynasties or to gain more power and possessions for their
masters. If cruelty or battle did not get them, disease and sick-
ness frequently consumed them, because once they fell prey to
some serious ailment, their usefulness was gone, so few cared
what happened to them—certainly, not their rulers.

As a matter of fact, a study of history would indicate that
the lot of mankind continued to be a fairly unhappy one until
only a century or two ago. But then, increasing numbers of peo-
ple began to hear about and to study the teachings of Christ.
Gradually, His influence spread until today it is a major factor
in millions of persons' lives, and in addition affects many
others to a greater or lesser extent.

The same, more or less, holds true with nations. There
are some in which Christianity has played a vital part, while
there are others where it has little impact, sometimes because
other religious beliefs already are entrenched, sometimes be-
cause the Christian religion is relatively unknown, and some-
times because its teachings have been banned by governments.

While there is no doubt that Christ's message has been
an important factor in making this a better world to live in,
for countless numbers of people there still is room for consid-
erable improvement, we believe any fair-minded person
will agree.

While some human activities denote a growing considera-
tion for others, it seems that some things nations today do to
one another—or are prepared to do—are more terrible than
any since the beginning of time.

To cite an example, we would mention present-day meth-
ods of waging war. Where combat at one time was confined
to hand-to-hand encounters which usually included only actual
fighters, matters have changed until non-combat zones are be-
ing eliminated and tens of thousands of people can be wiped
out in a split second.

And there still are millions of persons who are living in a
state of slavery—mind, body and soul.

However, this, and other human shortcomings that might
be mentioned, is no reason for losing heart and giving up, for
actually all of this represents a challenge, that gives us some-
thing worthwhile to live for. Because, if we want to, we can
do something about it and leave this a better world than we
found it.

And, we should not forget that there are millions of free
peoples like ourselves, who are better informed on world af-
fairs than any previous generation. Because they are informed
of conditions—and any existing dangers—they have a better
opportunity than ever before to take necessary countermeasures.

As a matter of record, these free peoples are now using
diplomatic channels and the influence of their various govern-
ments, to see that freedom of thought, speech and action shall
not perish from this earth and that their rights shall not be in-
fringed by aggressor nations.

Further, with the United States as their leader, an im-
pressive number of nations have in the years since World
War II, done what they could to relieve the sufferings of peo-
ples who were ravaged by conflict and to help restore them to
their former state of well-being and independence.

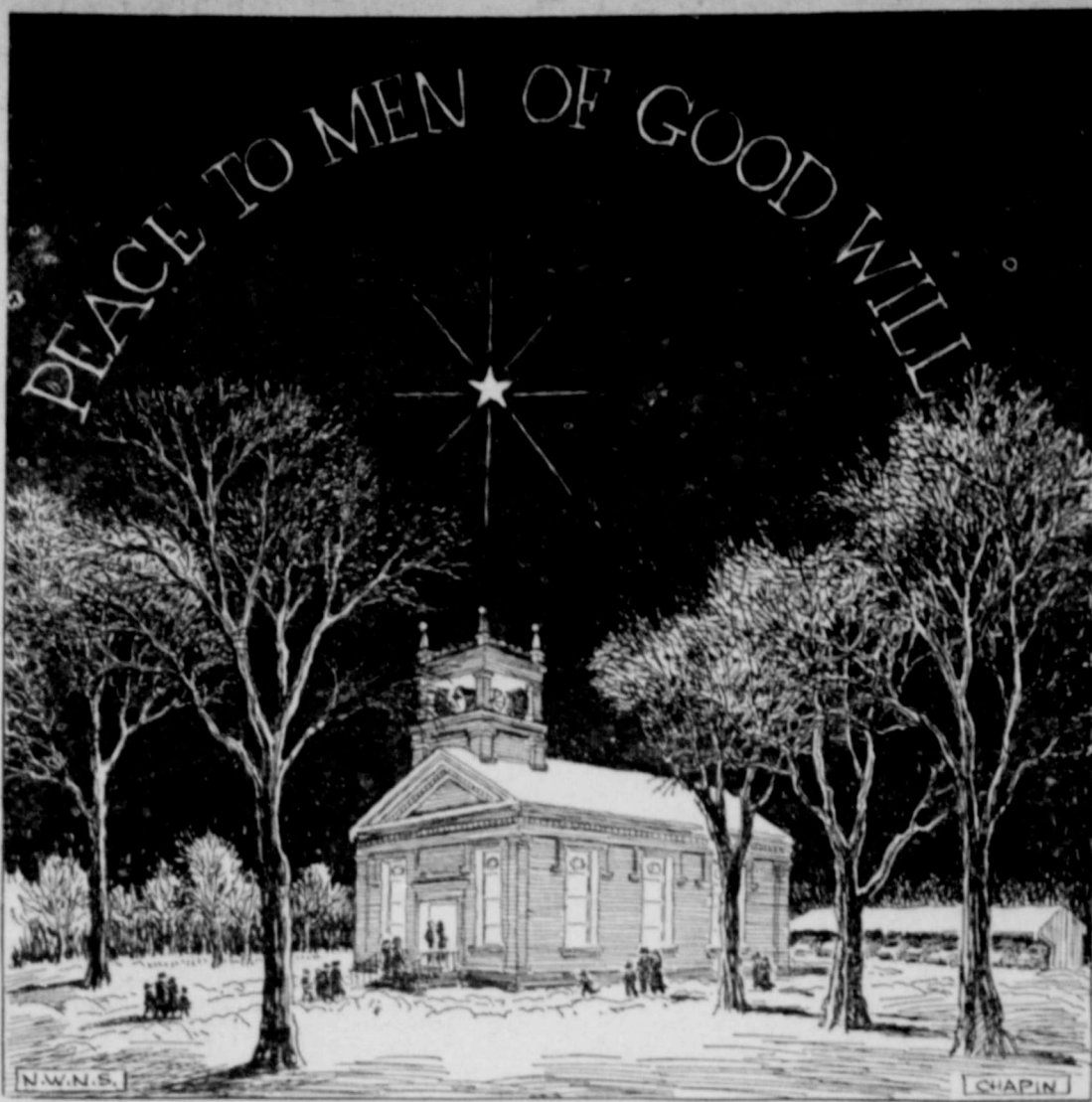
Another thing which should make all of us more optimis-
tic is the growing tendency of settling differences between
nations by diplomacy and around conference tables, rather
than by force. Even the communist nations have so far refrained
from precipitating a full-scale war.

Taking everything into consideration, it would appear
that the world has gained more than it has lost in the two
thousand years since Christ was born.

And if the peoples of this earth do not lose heart and
hope, but keep striving for that degree of love taught and prac-
ticed by Christ, the time may come when "Peace on Earth,
Good Will toward Men," becomes a permanent part of the
life of this world.

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Press Paragraphs—

QUOTING OUR NEIGHBORS

IT'S THE LITTLE THINGS

Thank you, says the newsboy,
the grocer, the bank teller and
the millions of people who live
and work together and serve each
other.

"Thank you" is just a small
courtesy which we freely grant
others in a society and culture a-
ware of give and take and essen-
tially happy in every day relation-
ships.

There are scores of courteous
things which we can say and do
to make people know that we ap-
preciate them and what they do
for us. Courtesy breaks down the
barriers between people who are
strangers to one another.

Happy people enjoy living and
those who enjoy living make a
nation strong. Unhappy people
weaken a nation. They become sus-
picious of their fellowmen, afraid
of the motives, the desires, the
ambitions and the thinking of
their fellowmen. Courtesy as well
as being an act of politeness. In
America we take for granted the
respect and the courtesy of those
with whom we work and live,
just as we take for granted the
fact that the sun will rise in the
morning, that food will be on the
table at mealtime, and that we
shall have jobs tomorrow for
which we shall receive good re-
wards.

In those nations where dictat-
ors have taken over, there is little
time or thought given to politeness
and little time or thought
given to politeness and the niceties
of living. Grimness wipes out
courtesy. Hope becomes sub-
merged in the routine of avoiding
suspicion. Fear dominates the
lives of the citizens. Men fear
their own children. In a society
where men are encouraged to in-
form on one another and the
state police is omnipresent, sus-
picion replaces courtesy, respect
and love of fellowman.

The "Good mornings," and
"Thank yous" do not form the
foundation of our American free-
dom, but they are the mortar in
the framework of our Bill of
Rights. They help hold us togeth-
er as a happy people and as a
strong nation.

It would be well to remember
that the Golden Rule is a clear
statement of courtesy as taught
by Christ. We all accept the Gold-
en Rule in principle, but how im-
perfectly we practice it!

Simple courtesy is perhaps the
most economical advertising in
the world, if we want to think in
a mercenary manner.

On our recent trip, we ran into
many people who were unable to
speak or understand English —
but always they seemed to grasp
the significance of a simple "thank
you." Yes, it is a universal lan-
guage.

—Tulia Herald

DON'T GIVE UP

One wonder of the world which
is often overlooked is the myster-
ious fashion in which the events
in the lives of people seem to
counteract one another to result
in combinations never before giv-
en a thought by the person to
which they happen.

The boy who wants to make the
high school football team but does
not have the physical ability to do
so may become a nationally known
sports writer because of his in-
tense love for the game.

Pancho Segura, a tiny Equad-
orran who thought himself crippled
for the rest of his life by polio
when very young, found his real

talent while strenuously exercis-
ing to overcome his paralysis. He
is now an internationally-famous
tennis player.
It is not necessary to dwell on
persons of wide renown to find
examples of what we are trying
to show. All of us can call to mind
the names of persons whom we
know that have found success in
the midst of the hour they believ-
ed to be their darkest.

Chance—or fate—if you prefer,
has shown strange twists in the
game of life, and a person never
knows when his number will be up
for a great mental, physical, or
spiritual change.

All of which is said to remind
you—and the writer—that we
should take our reverses of life

in stride. What at the moment is
thought to be a great calamity
man in truth only be opportunity
in disguise: knocking cautiously.
—State Line Tribune (Farwell)

Soil compaction someday may
rank with erosion as a limiting
factor in crop production. Best
remedy for the condition is to
work with and not against nature.
Proper tillage, fewer trips over
the fields with heavy equipment,
avoiding the grazing of pastures
and fields when too wet are a
good rotation system including
deep-rooted crops are suggested
remedies.

Texas corn hybrids 26 and 28
made the highest yields in the
state this year in the corn per-
formance testing program of the
Texas Agricultural Experiment
Station.

Memorials
Turning Back To
From
The Democrat File
31 YEARS AGO
May 24, 1923
MEMPHIS BAND GETS THIRD
PLACE AT SAN ANGELO
The Memphis Chamber of Com-
merce Band won third place and
a prize of \$100 in Class A at the
West Texas Chamber of Commer-
ce meeting in San Angelo, accord-
ing to an announcement made at
the closing banquet last night.
The Memphis band left Sunday
morning in cars for Chillicothe,
where they entrained for San An-
gelo, being the first band to arrive
there.
With the selection of Brown-
wood as the next meeting place
for the convention, at a giant bar-
becue staged by the people of
San Angelo Wednesday night, the
most successful gathering in the
history of the organization came
to a close.
George A. Sager, manager of
the Memphis Chamber of Commer-
ce was among Panhandle-
Plains men who were placed on
the executive board.
JUNIOR HIGH AND GRAM-
MAR SCHOOLS GRADUATE
MANY—Two of the most inter-
esting features of the closing of
school events in Memphis are the
graduating exercises for the large
classes from the junior high and
grammar schools. These classes,
like the senior class, are the larg-
est in the history of the schools,
with a total of 45 junior high
graduates and 60 grammar school
graduates.
Of the 31 seniors, 27 will re-
ceive diplomas, which will be pre-
sented by Supt. D. R. Hibbets.
STRICTLY PERSONAL—W. E.
Johnsey and M. F. Duke went to
Wellington Wednesday, where
Johnsey placed his bid for the
construction of the new school
building.—R. L. Ragsdale made
a business trip to Childress Wed-
nesday.—Mr. and Mrs. T. L. More-
man came down from Clarendon
Wednesday.—Mrs. John Dalton
left this morning for Dumas to
visit with her sister, Mrs. H. Bur-
nett.—Emmett Alston and Jeff
Watson left Sunday for Dallas
and other Texas points for visits
with relatives and friends.—W.
B. Dial returned Wednesday from
Dalhart, where he had gone to
lease grass for some cattle.—Dr.
J. M. Ballew arrived home Friday

for CHRISTMAS GIVING
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Asst. colors Yes, that's right — 10¢ Come Early

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All we have for this low price.

Men's Sweat SHIRTS **1.00**
Heavy grey color

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Fur Flaps Reduced for Clearance

Men's Blanket Lined WORK COATS **2.00**
Large sizes Both — Jacket and coat styles

Mens and Boy's LEATHER

Coats 5.00

Some Suede Some Goat Skin This price is unbelievable but true. Be here when the door opens. No phone calls. Nothing put back.

MONDAY is EXCHANGE DAY

We will be glad to help you.

A group of Boys Long Sleeve Sport SHIRTS **1.00**

Cleaning up, A bargain for you

Every item on this page will go on sale Monday, Dec. 27th. Other items not advertised. Store opens at 8:00 o'clock. Come prepared to buy because you won't be disappointed.

1913 Study Club Members Enjoy Annual Christmas Party In Home of Mrs. Dunbar

In a setting depicting the year 2000 A. D., members of the 1913 Study Club were entertained at the annual Christmas party on Thursday evening in the home of Mrs. T. J. Dunbar. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Mac Tarver, Mrs. Blufford Walker and Mrs. Herschel Combs.

The decorative theme was centered around an original Christmas play written by Mrs. Boyd Rogers. Featuring silver and blue, the decorations were modernist in design. Christmas greenery, sprayed silver, and interspersed with blue lights decorated a trio of windows which formed a background for the table arrangement.

The mantel was lovely with a modernist arrangement of native plants frosted white and decorated with snow and glitter. The mirror above the mantel held a silver moon resting in sky of blue. The silver tree, also a native plant, was decorated with silver stars and hanging moss. Placed beneath the tree's branches were gifts for each member wrapped in silver and tied with blue.

The Christmas play, a fantasy, was written and directed by Mrs. Rogers. Taking part in the play were Mrs. Moonbeam, played by Mrs. T. M. Harrison; her two daughters, Crystal and Sylvia, played by Miss Leslie Helm and Miss Carolyn Montgomery, and the Spirit of Christmas, played by Miss Ginger Greene.

A dinner plate was served on lap traps covered with silver to the following members: Mmes. L. G. DeBerry, T. J. Dunbar, Leo Fields, H. A. Finch, Frank Foxhall, R. S. Greene, Rufus Grisham, Allen Grundy, O. L. Helm, S. C. Hindman, Clyde Milam, Paul

Montgomery, Boyd Rogers, Mills Roberts, M. G. Tarver, R. C. Walker, E. M. Wilson, Ace Gailey, Gayle Greene, T. M. Harrison, Lewis Foxhall, Gene Lindsey, Herschel Combs and Miss Mary Foreman.

J. J. Hall Home Scene For Family Reunion Sunday

A family reunion was held Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hall in Memphis. The affair was in the form of a holiday gathering and also was to honor Mr. Hall on his 83rd birthday.

Before cutting a lovely birthday cake, grandchildren and great grandchildren sang the birthday song. Luncheon was served buffet style and pictures were made during the day.

Children present were Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hall of Cross Plains, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Hamby and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Hall of Plainview, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hall of Olton, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Rector of Tulsa.

Grandchildren present were Mr. and Mrs. James Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Seal, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hamby and Mrs. Carl McClellan, all of Plainview, J. Curtis Hall and Janice Rector. The great grandchildren included Glenda and Tommy Hall, Larry and Katrina Hamby, Sharon Seal, Jerry and Jackie McClellan.

Others present were a sister, Mrs. E. Milne Edwards of Midland, two brothers, W. H. Hall of Plainview and Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hall of Mesquite, Mrs. Helen McMahon and Marsha and Wayne of Odessa and Judy Harmon of Tulsa.

Mrs. A. Dickson Home Scene For Yuletide Party

Mrs. Anna H. Dickson entertained members of the Truth Seekers Sunday School class and several guests with a Christmas party at her home, 523 south sixth on Thursday, December 9. Mrs. C. E. Hankins was co-hostess.

The party rooms were beautifully decorated carrying out the yuletide theme.

Mrs. L. G. Yarbrough, president presided. The meeting opened with the class song, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." Mrs. W. B. Funk led in prayer. Mrs. A. B. Jones, secretary, read the minutes of the previous meeting.

Mrs. Pearl Massey brought a very inspirational devotional using as the text Luke the second chapter. She concluded with a Christmas poem, "Let's Keep Christmas." Mrs. C. W. Broome gave a reading, "The Golden Ivory Table Cloth," and Mrs. Dickson read a poem, "No Room in the Inn." The class also brought candy and fruits to be distributed to the Shut-ins of the town.

Gifts were exchanged by the group. The Lord's Prayer, given in unison, concluded the meeting.

Tasty refreshments were served to the following: Mmes. C. Gerlach, W. B. Funk, Pearl Massey, C. E. Gowen, Wm. Gerlach, L. G. Yarbrough, A. B. Jones, C. W. Broome, J. W. Burks, A. Womack, J. J. Evans, J. B. Wrenn, S. A. Neill, S. O. Greene, J. K. Gibson, H. A. McCasne, Miss Rena Waller and hostess, Mrs. Dickson and Mrs. Hankins.

Visiting recently in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Long were friends, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Roudelush and daughter Woodine of Altus, Okla., also Mrs. Long's cousin and son of Phoenix, Ariz.

Atalantean Club Enjoys Christmas Party Wednesday

"Holiday Highway—The Bethlehem Road" was the theme for the annual Christmas social given Wednesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Lloyd C. Martin for members of the Atalantean Club.

A yuletide motif was featured in decorations for the home. The centerpiece for the dining table was in keeping with the theme for the day. Also noted was the traditional Christmas tree, around which were placed the gifts to be

exchanged by members. Miss Gertrude Rasco was leader for the afternoon's program. Mrs. Myrtis Phelan gave the invocation.

Hot punch, sandwiches, chicken salad and fruit cake were served to the following members: Mmes. Earl A. Allen, J. W. Coppedge, Bill Cosby, Herbert Curry, W. C. Dickey, H. B. Estes, Ed Foxhall, N. A. Hightower, T. M. Isham, Claud Johnson, Miss Inogene King, Mmes. C. W. Kinslow, J. H. Morris, L. C. Martin, J. H. Norman, J. A. Odom, Myrtis Phelan, S. B. Pallmeyer, W. R. Scott, Robert Sexauer, Robert Spicer, C. W. Broome, Henry Foster, D. A. Neesley and Miss Gertrude Rasco.

On December 11 the club met in the home of Mrs. W. C. Dickey. Mrs. Hightower gave a most interesting review of the book, "But We Were Born Free," by Elmer Davis.

The next meeting is slated for January 5 at 3 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Chas. W. Kinslow.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation to friends, the doctors and nurses who worked so faithfully during my recent illness, and the teachers and children. We want to thank you all. May we ever be worthy of your kindness is our prayer.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Hearn and family

Mrs. E. H. Stanford Entertains With Christmas Dinner

Mrs. E. H. Stanford entertained with a Christmas dinner for members of her family. She makes the 57th year of the Stanford has held the Christmas affair.

Those present were Mrs. Raymond Thomas, Helen McMurry and Mrs. Thomason, all of Abilene, Mrs. Jimmy Gerlach of Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Douglass of Ashola, Mr. and Mrs. Gerlach and Mr. and Mrs. drum Stanford.



SELBY SHOE SHOP

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hayes Ted Trulove Jack Patrick

THANKS For Your Business

We have decided to close our motor company wish to take this means of thanking our friends and customers for their patronage. During the eight years we operated this firm, we have made many friends by business contacts which we value highly.

We want everyone to know that we appreciate favors extended to us, and have enjoyed the cordial relations with the people of this area.

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For Sale

FOR SALE—Pen fed baby beef turkeys for the holidays. Mrs. Roy Widener, phone 638J1. 25-6p

FOR SALE—5 room house, 518 North 13th St. Gayle West, Abernathy, Texas. 22-tfc

FOR SALE—Good used pianos. Lemons Furniture Co., phone 12-3-tfc

FARMS, RANCHES and city property for sale. Robert A. Wells, 301 South Front Street, Phone 183-J, day or night. 28-tfc

FOR SALE—Alfalfa hay. Jack Moreman, Brice, Texas. 28-3p

FOR SALE—Irrigated farms, dry land farms, ranches, houses and city property. See Bryan Adams, or phone 624. 21-tfc

FOR SALE: Big 3-room stucco house \$800. Also 2-room stucco to be moved. See Bill Luttrell. 23-9p

FOR SALE—Three bedroom house with pressure pump, four lots, \$1,200. R. O. Nelson, Jr., Newlin. 29-3p

FOR SALE—Two brood sows, due to farrow between Dec. 26-30. Contact T. H. Ashcraft, 4 1/2 miles northwest of Lakeview. 29-2p

FOR SALE—160 acre farm, 150 in cultivation, 3 miles west of Memphis. Cecil Stargel, Rt. 2, Lakeview. 30-3p

FOR SALE or LEASE—220 acres. On good terms. S. G. Adamson, Hedley. Phone 48. 30-3p

FOR SALE—Parakeets in choice of colors. Also a few cages. Art Miller, 714 South 8th St. Phone 187-J. 29-2c

For Rent

FOR RENT—Nice duplex on Main Street. Vacant about 15th. Call or see J. E. Roper at City Grocery. 28-3c

FOR RENT—Unfurnished three-room apartment with bath. Floor furnace. Offfield Apartments. Phone 535-M. 25-tfc

FOR RENT—Unfurnished apartment, phone 128-M. 1321 West Main. 17-tfc

FOR RENT—Furnished or unfurnished apartment. All utilities paid. 821 Main St. 40-tfc

FOR RENT—Furnished apartment. Phone 607-M. 21-tfc

FOR RENT—Three room house, partly furnished. Also nice four room house, garage and garden. Would like to have permanent renters. See Leo Koeninger. 29-3c

Special Notices

WILL DO HAULING of all kinds. Far and near. Contact A. R. Vallance, at Vallance Food Store. 29-2p

WILL PULL and set irrigation pumps. Joe Forkner, Memphis, Texas. 27-5p

Listen to the Memphis Hour over KCTX—1510 every day 2 to 3 p. m. beginning Nov. 1. News, music and everything relative to Memphis and Hall County. 21-tfc

A. H. Moore & Son water well contractors, acidizing and cleaning wells. Phone 405-W, Clarendon, P. O. Box 254. 14-tfc

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Guaranteed Radio repair work done, also iron repair (Electric) Smith's Auto Store, Phone 134 118 South Fifth. 41-tfc

SEWING MACHINES For Rent by week or month. Also sewing machines for sale. Reheis Furniture & Repair Shop, 808 Cleveland St., phone 542-M. 19-tf

ELECTRICAL Repair Work. Contract wiring. Call 671. Perry Glover. 19-tfc

Wanted

WANTED TO RENT—Between 200 and 300 acre farm. Can give good references. Johnnie L. Sanders, Brice, Texas. 28-3p

WANTED—Two bedroom furnished house or apartment. Box 192, Memphis. 30-5p

NOTICE

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Box 192

30-1p



It's Christmas - - 1954

The thoughts of the youngsters—and grown-ups, too—are turning to Christmas. In homes everywhere, there's a warm, cheery feeling of goodwill and gladness. Families are gathering to celebrate the holiday season. Young boys and girls are waiting for Santa Claus. Their expectancy is gladdening the hearts of the adults.

Again this year, as in the past, we are happy to join in the spirit of the holiday season. We want to wish everyone a sincere...

Merry Christmas

We are grateful for the consideration you have given this firm in the past, and know that without your support we could not serve the cotton growers and processors of this area. We value highly your goodwill, and hope that we may merit it for many years to come.

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Also many styles and models on our floor to select from we do not have space to picture here —

Especially do we invite you to let us show you our new Reclining Health Chair that we have sold so many of lately — No more available for Christmas delivery — but we are taking orders now for February delivery — The price not \$125.00 (it is \$79.95) —

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All specials heretofore advertised hold good through Decembr 24th unless they have been sold out.



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Memphis Boys Cop One, Lose Two In White Deer Tourney

The Memphis High School boys' basketball team played in a tournament at White Deer last week end, winning one contest and losing two. The win was over Lefors, who captured consolation honors.

Memphis met Lefors in first round play, taking the tilt by a 47-42 score.

Carroll Gardenhire was high scorer for the Cyclone, racking up 20 points. Behind him came Jimmy Davis, with 14 points, and James Moss, with 7.

Rice tallied 15 points for the opposition, Wooten and Herring scored 9 each, and Earhart made 4.

In the second game played by Memphis, Stinnett defeated the local boys, 83-47. The score was 34-21 at the half but Stinnett pulled away from the Cyclone in the last two quarters.

For Memphis, Davis made 16 points, Gardenhire 13, and Moss 11.

Stinnett's scorers were Reger with 20 points, Smith with 18, Thompson with 14, and Atherton with 13.

Stinnett took the tournament by winning all three of their games. They won the tourney championship by outscoring Panhandle.

The Memphis boys third and final contest was against White Deer, who won 64-35.

Gardenhire led local scorers, chalking up 19 points. Davis added 10, Moss 4, and Campbell Morris 2.

Reusch was the top man for White Deer, accumulating 22 points. Bichsel followed with 13, and McCabe was close behind with 12.

Tuesday night, Jan. 4, Coach Nolan Poteet's boys will play Estelline in the local gymnasium. The same night, Coach George Childers' girls team will meet the

Estelline girls. The first game will start at 7 o'clock.

The annual Caprock Tournament will be held here three days, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 6-8. Competing will be boys and girls teams from Hedley, Lelia Lake, Kirkland, Quitaque, Estelline, Lakeview, Clarendon and Memphis.

County Ginnings

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unate that duststorms, such as those last week, did not come sooner. One ginner who was interviewed Tuesday said that since the duststorms, seed cotton was turning out about 40 pounds less lint than raw cotton of similar weight yielded prior to the dusters. He also said that the dust and dirt had knocked about \$20 off the price of a bale of cotton. But as mentioned above, this comes at the tag-end of the season, after most of the cotton was out of the field.

On the darker side, however, is the fact that while cotton in the Memphis, Lakeview, Plaska, Brice, Leslie, Estelline and Parnell sections was in many instances averaging half a bale or more to the acre, the territory in the southern part of the county, around Baylor, and in the southwestern part of the county, including the Turkey area, continued to suffer from a shortage of moisture with the result that crop yields again were low.

The better than 40,000 bales, ginned in Hall County this season, compares with the 22,017 of last year. Production in 1953 would have been considerably better, had it not been for a hard hail and rain which smashed through the territory on the night of Oct. 14, to be followed by several weeks of rain and showers. By the time this was all over, several thousand



RE-ENLISTS

Daymond Welch, son of Mrs. Velma Welch of Memphis, recently signed up for another hitch in the United States Navy. He is currently stationed at the U. S. Naval Receiving Station at Norfolk, Va. Welch completed his first four-year hitch last spring.

Bob Paris Recently Released From Army

Bob Paris was separated from the Army recently after 22 months of service, 17 of which were spent in Japan.

After visiting here with relatives and friends, he accompanied by his wife, left for Borger, where the couple are making their home. Paris is employed with the Phillips Petroleum Company.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Paris of Memphis, and Mrs. Paris is the former Norma Barnes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Barnes, who live southeast of Memphis.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Paris were members of the 1950 Memphis High School graduating class.

Graveside Services For P. A. Archer Conducted At Turkey Monday Afternoon

Graveside services for P. A. Archer, who had lived in Memphis at various times, were conducted in the Turkey cemetery at 2:30 p. m. Monday by Rev. Jesse Leonard, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Turkey.

Interment was under direction of Spicer Funeral Home.

Mr. Archer had been making his home here with a son, Sammy C. Archer, until a few weeks ago when he went to Silvertown to stay with another son, Willmer Archer. He died early Sunday morning at the home of the latter. In failing health for sometime, he was 76 years old.

A native of Green County, Ark., he was born May 26, 1878. He was married to Miss Martha Barton in Cleburne County, Ark.

The couple came to Texas in 1945 and had made their home with their children most of the time since then.

Mr. Archer was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors, other than the two sons, include: his wife, Mrs. Martha Archer of Memphis; three other sons, Jarome Archer, Dierks, Ark., Wingle Archer of Quitaque,

Don Wright Gets Separation Papers

Don Wright, son of Mrs. Lucille Wright of Memphis, arrived here Tuesday after receiving his discharge from military service at Camp Chaffee, Ark. He was a corporal at the time of his separation.

Wright landed Friday at a New Jersey port, after serving in Germany for 18 months.

He departed for overseas duty from Camp Kilmer, N. J., June 10 of last year, after completing basic training and clerk typist school at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

He is a graduate of Memphis High School.

Applications For

(Continued from Page 1, Sec. 1) seed; stubble mulching, \$1 per acre; deep plowing, \$5 per acre. Authority has been requested by the A. S. C. county committee to raise the cost-share on new terraces to \$99 per mile, and for deep plowing to \$7.50 per acre. At present, the figure on the terraces is \$66, and on deep plowing is \$5. No word had been received Monday from the A. S. C. state committee as to the outcome of these requests.

In order to assure every Hall County farmer equal consideration on cost-share payments, individual limits will be set, according to McKown.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Webster are visiting their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Webster in Houston.

To Late To Classify

OUR STORE will remain open until 9 o'clock Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights for the convenience of late shoppers. Thompson Bros. Co. 30-1c

Mrs. R. H. Wherry, Mrs. Stroehle and Billie Jean Smith visited Mr. and Mrs. Fitzjarrald and daughter Arillo Sunday.

PALACE

Friday-Saturday "Dawn at Socorro" (Color by Technicolor) Rory Calhoun Piper LaSalle Cartoon - 2 Reel Color

Sat. Night Preview Sunday-Monday "Her Twelve Men" (In Gorgeous Color) Greer Garson Robert Ryan

Tues.-Wed.-Thurs. "The Black Sheep of Falworth" (Color by Technicolor) Tony Curtis Janet Leigh

RITZ

Friday BARGAIN Night "Red Garters" (Color by Technicolor) Rosemary Clooney Guy Mitchell Chapter 11 "BATMAN"

SATURDAY "Old Texas Trail" Rod Cameron Fuzzy Knight Chapter 5 "GHOST RIDERS THE WEST"

Sunday-Monday "Four Guns to the Border" (Color by Technicolor) Rory Calhoun Coleen Moore

Tues.-Wed.-Thurs. "Roman Holiday" Gregory Peck Audrey Hepburn



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CELERY Stalk	14c	Cranberries Box	27c
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SLICED BACON Fancy	59¢
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CLUB STEAK Tender	55¢
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1 lb. FOLGER'S COFFEE	99c
4 — 2½ size Cal-Top PEACHES	\$1.00
All WASHING POWDERS	25c
7 Cans Diamond TOMATOES	99c
7 Cans Diamond GREEN BEANS	99c
7 Cans Diamond GOLDEN CORN	99c
2 — 25c pkgs. POST TOASTIES	39c
3 — 15c Bath Size bars TOILET SOAP	39c
3 — 12c size bars TOILET SOAP	29c
10 lbs. New Crop PINTO BEANS	\$1.00
No. 3 WASH TUBS	\$1.98
No. 2 WASH TUBS	\$1.79
10 lbs. Kimbell's WHITE MEAL	79c

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MEMPHIS, HALL COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 23, 1954 *** TEN CENTS *** NUMBER 30

Boys And Girls List Wants In Letters To Santa Claus

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a girl eight years old. I would like to have a watch, a baseball bat and glove. I would like to have a doll with roots and a tea set. My little sister would like a doll too.
Love,
Darlene and Brenda
Gail Bragg

Parnell, Texas
Dear Santa:
I have been a pretty good boy this year. I would like for you to bring me a football helmet, road grader, holster set and some nuts, fruit and candy. Don't forget the other little boys and girls.
Your old pal,
Ross Layton Freeze
P. S. Be looking for you Christmas Eve night.

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy almost eight years old. I am a pretty good boy. I would like to have a football suit, a football helmet, a bicycle. Don't forget my little brother, Gary. He wants a tricycle, some little cars and trucks. We both want some nuts, candy and fruit.
Bye Santa, hoping to see you Christmas.
Your little friend,
David Walker
P. S. Gary and I both want a gun set each.

Parnell, Texas
Dear Santa:
Please bring me a BB gun and a holster. I would like to have a football suit. I would like to have the toys you brought me last year.
Love,
Roy Lee Wynn

Parnell, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a boy eight years old. Please bring me a BB gun and a wrist watch. I would also like a football helmet and a football suit.
Your friend,
Johnny Lee Bowman

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I want a 22 inch doll with a red checked dress and white pinafore. If you do not have a 22 inch doll, please bring a 19 inch one. I would like a doll-E Nurse set, a dolls diaper set and a blue overnight bag.
Please bring nuts, fruits and candy to me, my big sister, mother and daddy and all my little friends.
Remember the children in Korea. Santa, I will leave you some applause, cake and milk. I love you.
Yours truly,
Patsy Ann Reed

Newlin, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a girl eight years old. Please bring me a tiny tears doll, a toy stove, a toy icebox, a cootie set and a tea set.
I enjoyed the things you brought me last year. Don't forget nuts, fruit and candy and please don't forget Laddy.
Love,
Dianne Fowler

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a girl eight years old. I would like to have a walking doll, a record player and sewing machine. I enjoyed what you brought me last year very much.
Love always,
Nancy

Newlin, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll that walks, a cash register, a sewing kit and films for my movie show. Don't forget the other girls and boys.
Love,
Jan Davis

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a girl eight years old. I would like a magic doll, a record player and sewing machine. I enjoyed what you brought me last year very much.
Love,
Virginia Mae Corona

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa:
I want a BB gun, holster, hunting knife, log cabin and twin holster set. Please do not forget my 12 year old sister. I am a boy eight years old.
Your friend,
Larry Moore

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa:
I have a new baby sister three months old. Please bring her something.
Love,
John Lynn Gordon

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
We're two little girls who have not been very good, but if you will bring us what we want we will be good next year. I would like a doll, bike, radio, and coat. My little sister would like a doll, bear and anything else you would like to bring her.
Thank you,
Glenda Ann and
Cynthia Maddox

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
Please bring me a stockade, an electric football game and a basketball. I would like to have some fruit, nuts and candy. Please remember all the boys and girls.
Your friend,
Jerry Beasley

Parnell, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little girl seven years old. I would like to have a walking doll, a Kay baking set, toy ice box and sewing machine. I enjoyed the toys you brought me last Christmas.
Love,
Linda Weatherly

Newlin, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a girl eight years old. I would like to have a walking doll, a Kay baking set, toy ice box and sewing machine. I enjoyed the toys you brought me last Christmas.
Love,
Joanna Lee Adeock

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa:
I would like some games, a cowboy shirt, a pair of boots, a pair of jeans and two books.
I would like for everyone to have a Merry Christmas.
Thank you,
James Wright

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa:
I want a BB gun, holster, hunting knife, log cabin and twin holster set. Please do not forget my 12 year old sister. I am a boy eight years old.
Your friend,
Larry Moore

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa:
Please bring me a doll that walks, a notebook, a jack-in-the-box, bracelet and necklace, barretts, piggy bank, candy, nuts, apples and oranges. I am eight years old.
Your friend,
Darlene Kisselburg

Lesley, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little girl four years old and I have been pretty good except for a small number of temper fits. Please bring me a cowgirl doll, makeup kit, nurses kit, baking set and books. Bring my friend, Janie what she wants. Will see you Christmas.
Love,
Jackie Louise Hatley

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me for Christmas a Roy Rogers suit, size 10 with the guns and an electric train.
Thank you,
Your little friend,
David Moore

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a boy in the second grade. I would like to have a walking doll, a record player and sewing machine and a blackboard. I enjoyed the toys you brought last year. Don't forget candy, nuts and a cash register.
I love you always,
Julia Jeanette Pepper

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I am a little girl in the second grade. I would like to have a walking doll, a record player and sewing machine and a blackboard. I enjoyed the toys you brought last year. Don't forget candy, nuts and a cash register.
I love you always,
Julia Jeanette Pepper

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a girl eight years old. I want a Tiny Tears doll and basketball goal.
Love,
Teresa Valdez

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
Please bring me some Roy Rogers guns.
With love,
Monte Ballew

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa:
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Your little friend,
David Moore

The old-fashioned custom of extending Season's Greetings still forms a rich part of our lives. It is good to extend sincere wishes of health and good cheer ... counting our many blessings ... saying "Thank You" to those who have helped make the year a memorable one ... to each of you we want to express

An Old Fashioned MERRY CHRISTMAS



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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

To Each of Our Friends

As we look back over the past few months, we fully realize the factors that have combined to make possible such a fine ginning season. We can think of any number of instances where your friendship, co-operation, and your influence have been of tremendous benefit to our gins.

It is with this thought in our minds and hearts that we stop for a moment at this happy Yuletide to wish everyone of you all the joys of the season. We hope that your every Christmas wish will be granted, that this will be a most happy occasion for you and yours.

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Letters To Santa Claus

Memphis, Texas
 Dearest Santa:
 I am a little girl six years old. I would like to have a walking doll for Christmas. Also a house coat, house shoes and piano. Please bring my little sister, Debra, something nice too.
 Love you Santa,
 Phyllis Thomas
 P. S. Please bring all the other little girls and boys something nice too.

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I want a BB gun, a train game, a watch, a Roy Rogers bilfold, fruit, nuts and candy.
 Jimmie Wayne Srygley

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little girl six years old. I want a bicycle, table and chairs, and a set of dishes.
 Don't forget all the other little boys and girls.
 Lots of love,
 Vickie Louise Jones

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy six years old. I go to school this year. I try to be good and learn how to read but am having a hard time trying to do either. I would like to have a Roy Rogers Jeep and two guns and a holster.
 Your friend,
 Jim Edd Wines

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy two years old and I would like for you to bring me a truck, a tricycle, some candy, fruit and nuts.
 And don't forget all the other little boys and girls.
 Love you,
 Randy Phillips

Amarillo, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 Please bring me a doll, telephone, and some guns. Also some candy and nuts. I am four years old.
 Vena Hodnett

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I would be so happy if you would bring me a bicycle or a knife. Will you please Santa? Thank you and don't forget me,
 Charles Prather
 P. S. I forgot to tell you I will take very good care of my bicycle and be a good boy.

Glendora, Calif.
 Dear Santa:
 We have moved to Glendora, Calif., from Turkey, Texas, so please bring our presents here. I think we have been pretty good little boys. Mother says we fight a little but you will forgive us won't you please?
 I want a blackboard to write on and a baton. My little brother, Davey, wants a tricycle and a car. Bring us some candy and nuts. Santa, please don't forget my little uncle Jerry Weatherly. He wants a baseball glove and a football. He lives at Parnell, Texas. Also please be good to my granny and granddaddy too for we sure miss them. We are five years and two years old.
 Thanks,
 Lanny Ray and Davey
 Allen Beauchamp

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little girl three years old and so I am having my big sister help me with this. I want a new dress, some socks and a horn so I can play a tune. You can bring me anything else you want to, but don't forget all the other little boys and girls.
 Love,
 Freida Markham

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I want you to bring my little brother a fuzzy dog. I would like for you to bring me a big red wagon, an army set and a football suit. I have tried to be a good boy all year long.
 Ronnie Thomas

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 Please bring me a sweater, a pair of skates and a doll with real hair.
 Don't forget Brenda and Bobby. I have been a good girl.
 Love to Santa,
 Joyce Brown

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a transformer for my electric train and also a tent for me to play in. I would like a lot of fire works and candy.
 Merry Christmas,
 James Adrian

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I want a doll, a nurses kit and a pair of skates for Christmas.
 Love,
 Elaine Croxton

Do Angels Bake This Angel Cake?



Homemaker angels most certainly do bake this heavenly angel cake—especially when they can use a packaged angel food mix during those busy days preceding holidays. This fruit and nut-studded cake captures the true Christmas spirit when topped with angelic heralds to spread Yuletide happiness and hospitality.

Christmas Almond Angel Food
 1 package (17-oz.) angel food mix
 1/4 teaspoon almond extract 1/2 cup chopped candied pineapple, drained
 1/2 cup finely chopped toasted almonds Pistachio Whipped Cream

Prepare angel food mix as directed on back of package. After all the flour has been added, fold in almond extract, almonds, and pineapple. Bake and cool as directed on package. Then frost lightly with Pistachio Whipped Cream. If desired, decorate with paper angels.

Pistachio Whipped Cream. Place 1 cup whipping cream, 1 tablespoon sugar, 1/2 teaspoon each vanilla and almond extract, and a few drops of green coloring in small chilled bowl. Beat until cream holds its shape. (Do not overbeat.)

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 Please bring me a doll and bottle, a nurse kit and a lot of candy.
 Thank you,
 Love,
 Gaylynn Jeffers

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a football suit, size 7, a pair of Roy Rogers holsters, a big cab and trailer. I want some nuts and some candy and fire works. Thank you Santa.
 Your little friend,
 Gary Don Craig

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a football suit, size 10, and a grader. Thank you.
 Kenneth Revell

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl seven years old. Please bring me a doll and a big set of dishes.
 Love,
 Dawn Yarbrough

Amarillo, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little boy four years old. Please bring me a Gene Autry double holster and cap gun set, a farm set, and a truck to haul cows in, also a pick-up and shovel.
 Oh! by the way don't forget my little sister, Karen who is 20 months old. She would like a "honey" bear that has rubber hands, feet and face, also a doll and some dishes. Don't forget the candy, nuts and fruit.
 Please don't forget other children, especially my little cousin, Larry Carl Driver, as this is his first Christmas. Also don't forget my Aunt Brenda.
 Thanking you in advance,
 Love,
 Floyd N. Houdashell, Jr.

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl six years old. Please bring me a doll and a big set of dishes.
 Love,
 Zee Yarbrough

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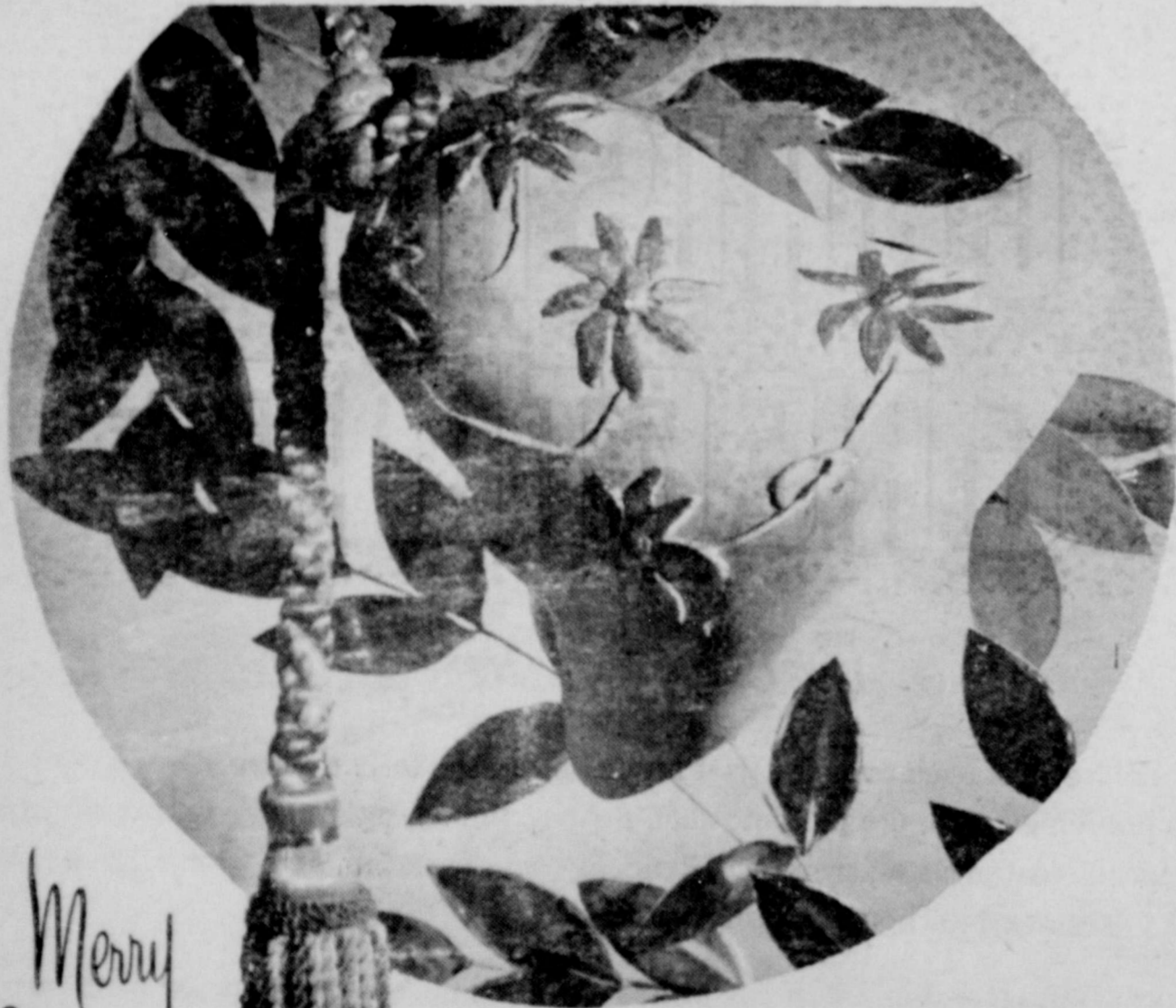
We celebrate the birthday of our King—the birthday of the Child born at Bethlehem centuries ago. With this birth came faith... faith in mankind... faith in eternal happiness. Let us today renew this faith... it is the one path to lasting peace and good will to all men.

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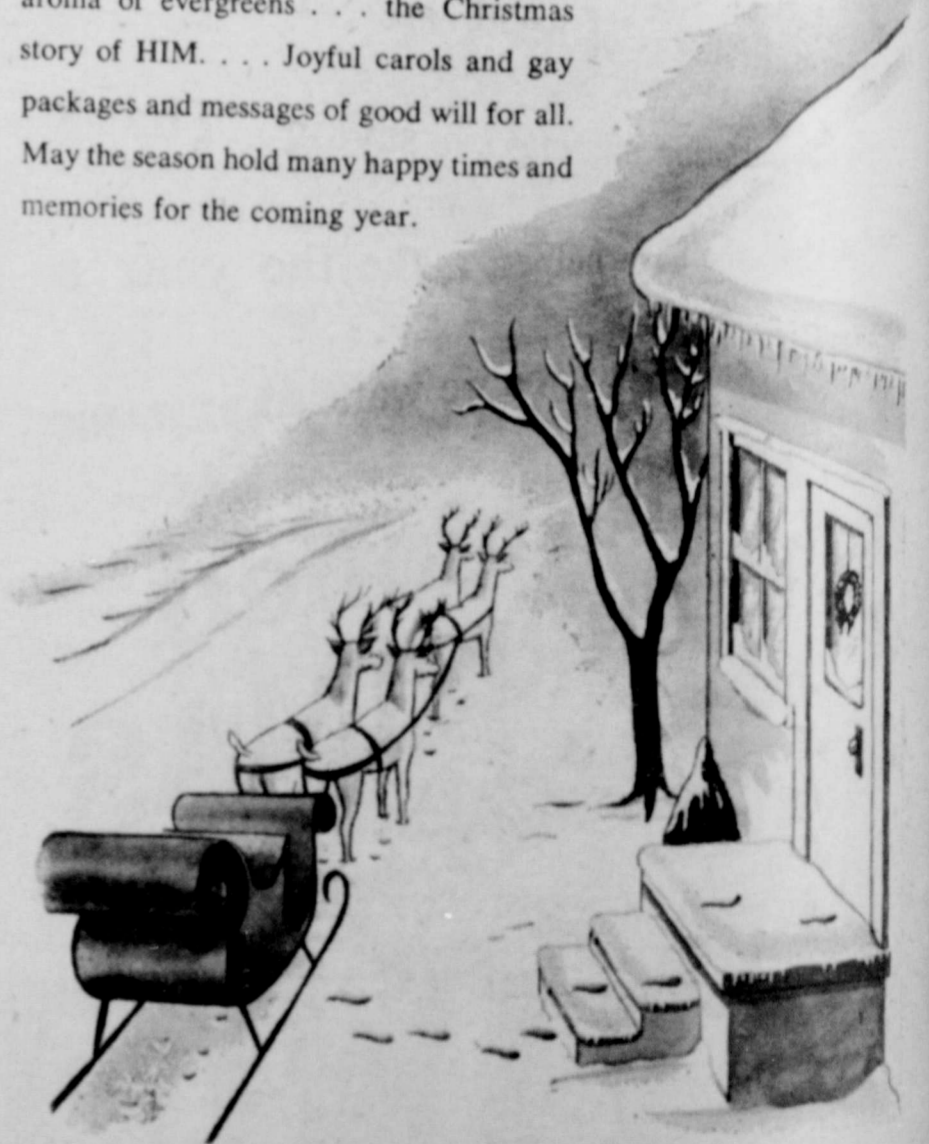
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YES... CHRISTMAS LIVES FOREVER...

It's the little things at Christmas time that live forever... old Santa's visit on Christmas Eve... youthful laughter... the aroma of evergreens... the Christmas story of HIM... Joyful carols and gay packages and messages of good will for all. May the season hold many happy times and memories for the coming year.



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Letters To Santa Claus

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I want a punching bag, a pair of shoes and a gun.
 I love you,
 Joe Parker

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am eight years old and I am in the first grade. Please bring me a Bible, Bible and music.
 Your friend,
 Janice Pounds

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am nine years old and I want a football helmet, pants, and shoulder pads.
 Love,
 Dale

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me for Christmas, a BB gun, a doll house, a candy, fruit, and nuts.
 Your little friend,
 Gayle Widener

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I want a basketball, two guns, a wagon, a bicycle, a ball and bat and glove.
 Your friend,
 Paul Lee Carroll

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Will you please bring me two guns with two black cows on the handle with two black holsters.
 Your friend,
 Billy Joe Hall

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a walking doll and a bicycle. I am a little girl ten years old. I am in the third grade.
 Your friend,
 Teresa Ann Goode

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I want a BB gun, five boxes of BB's and a pair of skates.
 Yours truly,
 Wayland Gerald Fronterhouse



NO. 1 GRANDCHILDREN . . . Grandchildren of President Eisenhower get a look at Christmas dolls. They are (left to right) Susan, Barbara Anne, and Dwight David. The children spent last Christmas with their grandparents at 60 Morningside Drive, New York.

Christmas Candles Are Traditional For Many Peoples

*"To learn your luck for the year they lay,
 Burn a bayberry dip on Christmas day.
 If the flame burns bright and the light shines clear,
 Good luck will be yours through the year."*

This old verse is believed in many lands around the world and is said to be one of the reasons that candles in homes are traditional around the world. The custom is believed to have started in Ireland. 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." And it is the custom that the candle can only be snuffed by one named Mary. Their first use for Christmas is not recorded in the annals of any nation, but that the "Christ Child Candle," burned in the window on Christmas Eve is, according to an old legend placed there 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.

Small Towns First to Light Outdoor Trees

It was a small town that first thought of lighting an outdoor community Christmas tree. Four communities are believed to have thought of the idea about the same time—as early as 1913. Two of them, McDonald and Germantown, were in Pennsylvania. Salem, Ore. decorated a large Sitka spruce. Riverside, Calif., illuminated a large evergreen, an Arcadia. The first national Christmas tree was in 1924 and was sponsored by the American Forestry association. The event is now televised every year for all parts of the country to see. The most spectacular outdoor displays in the United States are at the White House and Rockefeller Center in New York. The New York display is possibly the most elaborate in the world. But it was the small towns that first thought of the idea. Today, nearly every community in the land has some kind of Christmas decorations. Many communities string colored lights across the street and decorate light posts with evergreens. Many suspend bells and stars at street intersections and have dazzling community trees.

Hiroshima was blasted by the atomic bomb on August 6, 1945.

Dr. Clement Moore Was Ashamed of His Famous Poem

Dr. Clement Clarke Moore was ashamed of his famous poem, "Night Before Christmas," and would not acknowledge that he wrote it for more than 20 years. Today, the poem which begins—*"Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house, Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;—"* is one of the most beloved of all Christmas writings. Dr. Moore was an aloof professor of Greek and Oriental literature in the Episcopal Seminary in New York. He wrote the poem on Christmas Eve 1822 and read it to his seven children. He had not planned for the poem to go further than his own family, but a relative who was visiting the Moores put a copy in her diary. The next year the relative's father sent it to a newspaper. Other newspapers printed the jingles and they quickly became known all over the country. The dignified Dr. Moore was embarrassed and considered it beneath a man of his scholastic standing to be the author of children's jingles. Twenty-two years later, however, he finally publicly admitted authorship of the jingles and it was published in book form under his name for the first time.

Joseph Proved His Love for Mary, Mother of Jesus

Joseph, the bible relates, had to prove his faith in and love for Mary before they were married. It is one of the great love stories of all times. When Joseph thought of Mary, he forgot the difference in their ages; she was the girl he had waited for, his beloved. They were espoused—or, as we would say, engaged—which was almost as official as being married. His heart soared on wings of the approaching wedding day, and then . . . What Mary insisted had come to pass, simply could not be. Joseph wanted desperately to believe Mary, but such things just didn't happen, and if they did, they happened to somebody else. Much as he loved Mary, Joseph was a righteous and God-fearing man and while he couldn't even think of making her a public example, he had just about made up his mind to put her away privily. That is, he thought he had made up his mind. In his heart, he knew he couldn't; what would become of her . . . of her child . . . Then one night, after he had exhausted himself with tortured thinking, he fell asleep and the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying: *"Joseph, thou son of David, fear not . . . And when Joseph awoke, he did as the angel had bidden him, and took Mary as his lawful and cherished wife."* "Fear not," the angel spoke unto Joseph. "Fear not," the angel had declared unto Mary. "Fear not," the angel spoke unto the shepherds of Bethlehem.

Door Decorations
 In the last few years it has become more and more popular to decorate doors and doorways with bells and tree ornaments instead of the conventional wreath. Your door and window frames can be made bright and cheerful by framing them with ribbon and sprigs of holly. You can hang the ribbon in festoons across the curtains and tie at the sides in wide sash bows for colorful effect.

Christmas giving in England dates from the reign of Henry VII when Christmas boxes and New Year gifts were a common enactment of royalty from their subjects.



Brightly the Holiday spirit lights
 new friendships and rekindles
 old ones year after year.
 We hope you are pleased with
 the way we have served
 you and pledge anew our
 willingness to help our
 Community in any
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MERRY CHRISTMAS

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

This is the Season when each of us can express our own feelings of good will and to exchange friendly messages, one with another. Here is our greeting, and with it is a sincere thanks for your fine patronage and friendships in the year just coming to a close.

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GREETINGS

We value highly
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 each of you

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Letters To Santa Claus

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I would like for you to bring me a jacket, a pair of boots, some fruit, and candy. My little sister would like a doll and a set of dishes. My little brother would like a pair of guns, and a pair of boots. We would all like some fire crackers, some caps, sparklers, rockets and some "nigger chasers."
 Love,
 Patricia Ann Bartley

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I want a pop gun, a basketball, an airplane, a tractor with loader scoop, a lumber truck, a tanker and a train.
 I'll really be happy with anything you bring me.
 Please remember all the other boys and girls.
 Love,
 Gary

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I would like for you to bring me a chemistry set, a globe with Atlas, and a truck with a trailer that hauls logs.
 Love,
 Robert Mack Mose

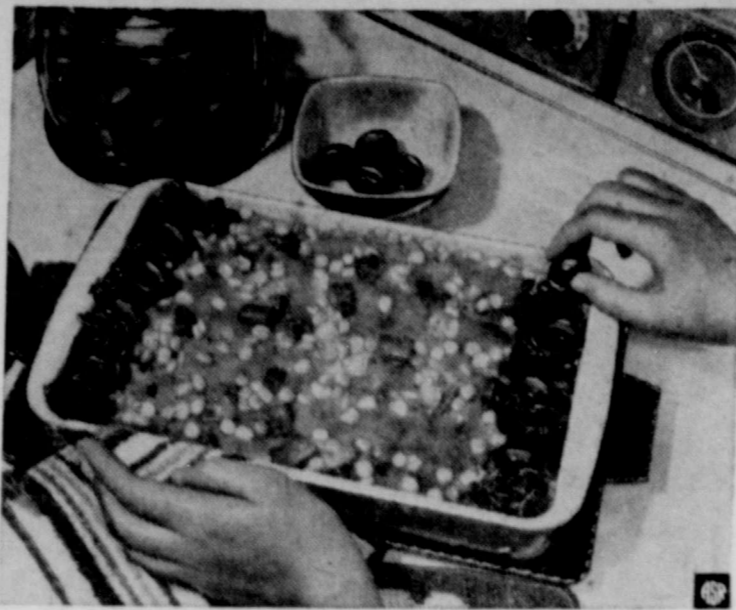
Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl six years old. I would like for you to bring me a notebook, a photograph book and a ballerina doll. Please bring the others girls and boys some toys and candy.
 Love,
 Diane Gailey

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I want a bicycle, a ball, a rodeo set, nuts, fruit and candy.
 Love,
 Russell

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy eight years old and have tried to be good this year, so please bring me a big tool chest and an electronic radio station. My little sister, Judy is four and one-half years old. She would like a Terry Lee doll and some cooking utensils. Also candy, nuts and fruit.
 Don't forget my little cousins that live in Friona.
 We love you,
 Jerry Don and Judy Burleson

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am six years old and in the sixth grade. My teacher is Mrs. Newton. Will you bring me an electric train, depot and water towers? Don't forget the other children at school, my teacher, and my mother.
 Colin Wood

Quick and Easy Shopper's Meal



Let's face it! This is the time of year the budget is apt to be pinched, and we may find that shopping takes longer than planned. But the family still has a hearty appetite and wants a good meal. A main dish that is a penny-saver, easy to fix, yet attractive and downright good eating is the answer.

- Hot Tomato Juice
- DeLuxe Supper Casserole
- Buttered Lima and Green Beans
- Lettuce Salad
- Tropical Shortcake
- Coffee
- Milk
- DeLuxe Supper Casserole
- 8 slices bread
- 2 tablespoons butter, or margarine
- 1 cup canned luncheon meat, chicken, tuna, or salmon
- 1 small onion
- 1/2 lb. American cheese
- 1 can (12 oz.) whole kernel corn
- 3 eggs
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups milk

Spread bread with butter and cut each slice into about six strips. Arrange a layer in bottom of an 8 x 12 oiled baking dish. Cut meat (or break fish) into bite size pieces. Put a layer of meat, chopped onion, grated cheese and corn over bread. Repeat layers. Beat eggs and add salt and milk. Pour over mixture in baking dish. Bake in a moderate oven (350°F.) about 30 to 35 minutes. Serve at once. Six servings.

Tropical Shortcake: Mix a pound can of drained fruit cocktail with a diced banana and a cup of sweetened whipped cream. Cut a can of date nut bread into 12 thin slices. For each serving put fruit mixture between two slices and heaped on top. Six servings.

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 Please bring me a basket ball and goal and a new coat. I'm twelve years old. Also some candy, nuts and fruit.
 Your friend,
 Carolyn Hodnett

Woodbury, N. J.
 Dear Santa Claus:
 My name is Susie Huckaby. I am seven years old. I would like for you to bring me a Tiny Tears doll, a Doll-E-Bath, a doctor kit Mr. and Mrs. Potato Head, jewelry and a finger paint set. My sister, Diane is three years old. She would like a walking doll, a stroller, a nurse kit, tinker toys, dishes and jewelry. Please fill our stockings with candy, fruit and nuts. We live in Green Fields Village at Woodbury, New Jersey. We will leave you some hot chocolate and a piece of pie on the kitchen table.
 With love,
 Susie Huckaby

Estelline, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a doll and record player. My little sister wants the same.
 Love,
 Shirley and Diane Billingsley

Estelline, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I want a little bull whip, a toy electric train and a pedal motorcycle.
 Love,
 Dwight Jerry Johnson
 P. S. I live on a ranch 18 miles southwest of Estelline.

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 Please bring me an electric football set.
 Yours truly,
 George W. Childress

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl eight years old and I want a watch, candy and nuts. I also have a little sister five years old who wants a walking doll and my little brother 16 months old wants a fire truck. We all have been good, Santa, and please don't forget all the other little girls and boys. We will be looking for you, Santa.
 Bye,
 Shirley, Janie and Gary Watson

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little boy almost six years old. I haven't been very good, but I've tried to be.
 Will you please bring me a football helmet, jersey and shoulder pads, a scooter, house shoes, story book, a cap pistol with caps, nuts, fruit and candy.
 Be sure and don't forget my little nephew, Randy Joe Thompson in Amarillo.
 Your little friend,
 Terry Jackson Gable
 P. S. Bring Uncle Kelly a pig-tail, as he hasn't been very good.

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl 15 months old, so I'm having my Mommie to write this. I want a red wagon, rocking horse, rocking chair and a little guitar. Please bring Mommie and Daddy something, too.
 Love you, Santa,
 Caroline Hightower
 P. S.: Bring all the other girls and boys something, too.

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy two and half years old. I would like you to bring me a choo choo a baseball, bat and glove, a wrenches so I can fix my Mommie's car.
 Please bring my little brother a Minnie Mouse doll.
 Thank you,
 Ronnie Keith

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 We are a little boy and girl four and six years old. Would you please bring us a dump truck, set of guns, doll, suitcase, dishes, candy, fruit and nuts. Catherine wrote you a letter in school. Don't forget the other little boys and girls.
 We love you,
 Sandra Kay and Larry Ivy

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little girl four years old. I would like for you to bring me a little electric cook stove, a Red Riding Hood doll and a nursing set. Please fill my sock with candy and nuts.
 I have a new baby sister named Jennifer Ann and would you please bring her a wee little doll and a rattler. Thank you a lot.
 Love,
 Lometa Fay Pate

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me for Christmas, a Rex Allen set of guns and belt, size 8, and a football. Thank you Santa.
 Your little friend,
 Raymond Putman

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Letters To Santa Claus

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little boy seven years old and I am in the second grade. I would like you to bring me a tool chest and please fill my sock with candy and fruit.
 I would like you to bring my little new sister a big rattle.
 Love,
 Ronald Olton Pate
 P. S. I need my two front teeth.

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little girl four years old. I would like for you to bring me a doll, doctor kit, and house shoes. I'll be looking for you.
 Love you,
 Brenda Hood

Estelline, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a boy ten years old. I would like to have a wrist watch and a BB gun.
 Love,
 Gerry Don Sandifer

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl almost six years old, and I would like for you to bring me a bicycle, a little football and a train engine and coal car with rubber track. Also candy and nuts.
 Please don't forget my brother, cousins and friends.
 Bye Santa.
 Jerry Allen Moss

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 Love you,
 Brenda Hood

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 Bye Santa.
 Jerry Allen Moss

Christmas Symbols Stem From Ancient Legends

The symbols of the Christmas season, now steeped in tradition, had their origin in ancient legends that have survived for centuries. According to researchers for Hallmark Cards, on which many of them appear each Yuletide, each symbol has a story behind it.

The bell, ancient legend states, became a Yuletide ornament because all the earth's bells rang in celebration of the birth of Christ on that first Christmas morn. Decorating the Christmas tree with gay ornaments is said to stem from an old legend of how trees of the Holy Land blossomed and bore fruit on the night of the Nativity.

Christmas candles are symbolic of the Star of Bethlehem and of enlightenment. Centuries ago, the English and the Irish lit great Yuletide candles nightly in homes and churches from Christmas until Twelfth Night. The first Christmas tree was said to have been cut and brought indoors by Martin Luther early in the 16th century.

The story of the poinsettia comes from Mexico. A Mexican child was saddened because she had no flowers to lay at the creche in her church. An angel appeared and told her to pluck a weed from the roadside. The girl did as the angel said, and the weed became a vivid scarlet flower when she put it on the altar.



Our WISH for You

THE HAPPIEST CHRISTMAS OF THEM ALL

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Holiday Greetings

The hustle of last-minute shoppers... bright, colorful decorations... the fragrant aroma of evergreens... laughter of children on the stairs — Christmas morn... the soft glow of candles — all remind us of the Holiday Season.

We are reminded of your loyal support which has contributed so much toward making the past year a good year for us. And we will not soon forget the pleasant relationships we have enjoyed these past twelve months.

For your confidence in us we want to express our true and sincere thanks for all past favors.

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E. A. Young Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Reames and Patti

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Dear Santa:
 We are two little girls that live in Tennessee. We are coming to our Granny and Pa Jenkins for Christmas, so please leave our things there. They live there in Memphis, I, Susan am eight years old and in the third grade at school. I would like very much to have a brides doll and a real wrist watch. My little sister, Kay is three years old and she would like for you to bring her a Tiny Tears doll, a doll buggy and a doll bed. Also bring use some fruit, nuts, and candy. We will be looking for you Christmas Eve.

Love,
 Your little friends,
 Susan and Kay Walker

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a Roy Rogers suit, size 8. Thank you Santa.
 Your little friend,
 Otis Dalton Freeman

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a Dale Evans suit and a Terri Lee walking doll. Thank you Santa.
 Your little friend,
 Louise Shawhart

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl in the second grade. I want a baton, sweater and skirt. My three year old sister and my big sister wants something too. I will be at my grandmothers at Lakeview Christmas Eve night, so come to see us there.

I love you,
 Janet and Beverly Nelson

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 We are a little boy six and a little girl two. We have been pretty good. Would you please bring us a toy chest, record player, service station, cowboy shirt, doll buggy, make-up kit and anything else that you want to. Don't forget all the other little kids. We love you very much.

Mike and Pam Nabers

SEASON'S GREETINGS

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Season's Greetings

O. R. (DOC) SAYE

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 let us raise our voices
 in prayer that soon all
 people everywhere will
 come to know and love
 the true Spirit of
 Christmas... the joy
 that comes in giving as
 well as receiving.

Merry Christmas

Leslie's

Wilma, Bill, Linda, Kay, Celia
 Bettye, Joe Bob and Marsha
 Paul Hancock

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy four years old. I have been a pretty good boy this year. I want a jet plane, a big truck, a big tractor that I can ride, a Mickey Mouse watch and lots of candy, nuts and fruit. Do not forget all the other little boys and girls at Lakeview.

I love you,
 Mickie Nabers
 P. S. Winnie wants a bicycle.

Lawrence, Kansas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 We are a little boy and girl. Gaye is six and I am eight. We have tried very hard to be good. Gaye and I will be at our grandmothers at Lakeview for Christmas so we want our toys left there. Gaye wants a big baby doll and a doll highchair and I want a Robot and a Mars set. We also want some candy and fruit. If you have anything that cats would like, please put Lonesome something in his stocking too.

Lots of Love,
 Carl Kulp, Jr.
 Gaye Kulp

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl almost six years old, and I would like for you to bring me a bicycle, twin dolls and a tea set. Please don't forget my little cousins and friends.

Love,
 Jeannie Anthony

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I want a train and a bicycle, a house with furniture, a big cattle truck with cattle in it, a cowboy suit, a football, two pair of colored glasses and a sack full of candy.

Melton Woods

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy five years old. I have tried to be a good boy, so I want you to bring me a dump truck and grader and lots of candy, fruit and nuts.

Santa, don't forget my baby brother who will soon be two months old. He wants a teddy bear and some safe toys he can play with.

Love,
 Albert Ray Stone

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy five years old. I would like very much to have a billfold and a gun set. Also some candy and nuts. (I've been a good boy.)

Thank you very much
 Royce Sanders

Amarillo, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I wuz a little bitty girl of one year old. Santa, please bring me a bitsy doll and a little tricycle.

Thank you Santa,
 Donna Lynn Bevers

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I have been a pretty good girl this year. Would you bring me a big doll, a wagon and some nice things to wear? Please don't forget my little sister, Debra. She would like a few toys too.

Love always,
 Karen Ann Nunnally

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a Terri Lee walking doll, a bride doll and a Bonny Braids doll. Thank you Santa.

Your little friend,
 Shirley Nell Richards

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl seven years old and going to school for the first year.

I want you to bring me a doll, set of dishes, table and chairs, a sweater, some candy and nuts. Remember all of the other little boys and girls.

Linda Ruth Myers

Letters To Santa Claus

Plaska, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am five years old and I have been extra nice lately. Please bring an electric train, Roy Rogers Ranch and a good bat and baseball that daddy can use too. Hurry up and get here.
Thank you,
Gayle Koeninger

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little girl nine years old. I would like you to bring me a Lady Lovely kit, Pla-Mate walking doll, view-master, bicycle, house shoes, sweaters, slippers and mittens.
Your friend,
Frances Fay Myers

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I want a pair of guns, a cowboy suit, a pellet gun, a bicycle that is red, a sled, pair of ice skates, and a pair of roller skates. I am ten years old. I also want a big box of army boys and some nuts and candy for Christmas.
Your truly,
Franky Freelen

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I want a bicycle and a set of guns. Also a punching bag, a football and a pair of skates.
I love you,
J. N. Jeffers

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please send me a BB gun, a suit and a dress shirt.
I love you,
Fred L. Ridener, Jr.

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to bring me a doll and a doll machine.
I love you very much
Patsy Nell Kenmore

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
Please bring me a pair of football shoes, a BB gun, a black and orange football shirt, a dog collar and a sack of peanuts.
Love,
Donny Spicer
P. S. Please don't forget Lynette. She wants a big doll and a sack of candy.

THE BAFFLES By Mahoney



Yule Seal Idea Was From Denmark

This year millions of Americans have received a letter from their local chapter of the National Tuberculosis association containing Christmas seals, the seasonal reminder of the never-ending fight to stamp out the disease.

The idea was conceived by a Danish postal clerk. He thought of the idea in 1903 while mailing Christmas packages and letters.

The clerk was Einar Holboell. He mentioned it to his fellow workers and they decided it would be a great help in defraying the cost of fighting tuberculosis. The idea reached King Christian, who approved, and the image of Queen Louise was placed on the first seals in 1904.

Jacob Riis, Danish-born American, heard about the idea and sold it to the American public in 1907 through a magazine article. A Red Cross worker, Miss Emily Bissell, started the first American sales that year.

Christmas Today Is Too Commercial, Many People Believe

Today we hear many people say that Christmas has been "commercialized" and has lost its true meaning.

Has it?

Is it wrong this one time in the year to make the dominate theme one of giving rather than receiving?

Giving has always been a major part of the Christmas theme—the giving of joy and happiness to others whether it be spiritual or material.

It is true that economically no other holiday or festive season contributes so much to the welfare of the world. The holiday hardly passed into the new year before thousands are at work on toys and Christmas specialties for the next year.

Giving will remain one of the great joys of Christmas for all time to come. The idea has survived through the centuries and nothing will ever stop it.

What, after all, brings more joy than seeing people happy; than watching children and loved ones open gifts and express their thanks in words and deeds?

It is, essentially, the Christmas story.

A strange Christmas custom in Finland is the annual Christmas Eve steam bath taken by the entire family. After the bath everyone is supposed to roll in the snow.



During the rush and drive of business day by day, we seldom take sufficient time to acknowledge the courtesies we have enjoyed during the year just closing. So, we're glad when Christmas comes because we can say in all sincerity A Very Merry Christmas to all!

THE FAIR STORE



for Christmas

To our faithful friends of long standing and to our cherished new friends and to those whose friendship we hope to earn, we extend greetings of the season

PAUL BLEVINS BARBER SHOP

Paul Blevins Earl Pritchett

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I want a BB gun, five boxes of BB's and a football.
Yours truly,
George Miller

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I would like a large walking doll and a watch.
I love you,
Sandra Lee Hansard

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I want a new bicycle, a BB gun, a football and a coat.
Yours truly,
Sammy Campbell

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I want a bicycle, a walking doll and a set of dishes for Christmas. I am six years old.
Carol Gunnels

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a girl seven years old. Please bring me a doll that can walk and open and close its eyes, and a nurse set.
I thank you for the things you brought me last year.
Your friend,
Jill Cooper



MRS. SANTA... She is lovely. This is Miami Beach's version of Mrs. Santa doing her chimney climbing in the warm southland.

Christmas Card Idea Originated By Englishman

Christmas cards are so much a part of the modern Yule season that one seldom stops to wonder how the idea originated and by whom.

This simple idea of wishing your friends a Merry Christmas brought honor and knighthood to the originator, Henry Cole, a middleclass Englishman.

Cole mailed his cards on a December day in 1846. The cards depicted a Victorian family assembled at the festive board and the traditional Christmas custom of giving to the poor. They also bore the now-classic greeting: "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you."

He had a thousand of the cards struck off by a lithograph. They were such a success that plain Henry Cole subsequently became Sir Henry Cole.

The cards we send today, however, a far cry from those mailed by Cole. The cards you send and receive this year will be designed by famous names in contemporary art.

An American shopping for cards this year may select scenes painted by such famous people as Winston Churchill, Britain's prime minister and famed amateur artist, and Grandma Moses, one of America's most famous artists.

The demand for cards is so great that many companies spend their entire time in designing and producing them for the holiday season.

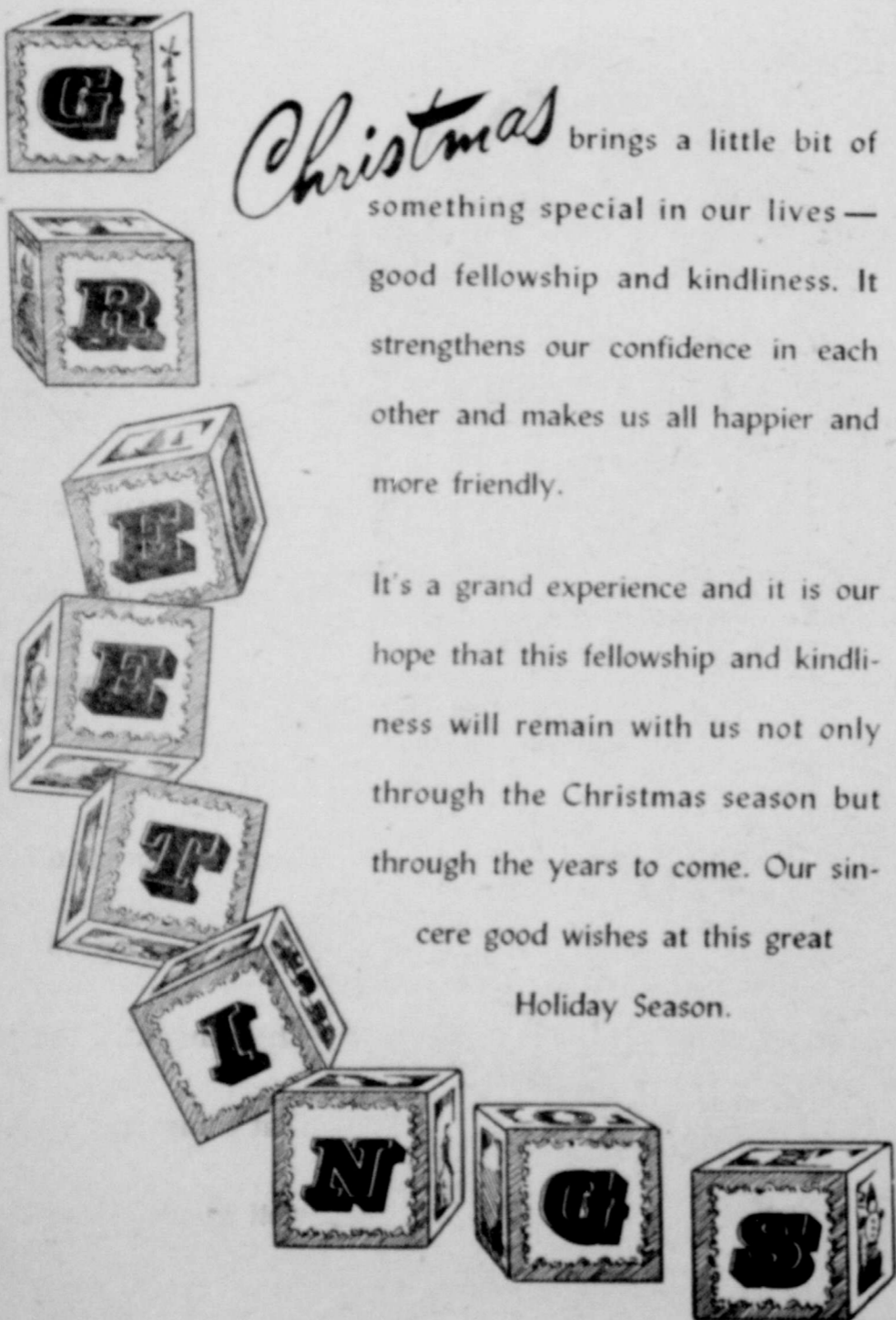
TO OUR MANY FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS

Merry Christmas



Memphis Frozen Food Locker

Sam H. Brown



Christmas brings a little bit of something special in our lives — good fellowship and kindness. It strengthens our confidence in each other and makes us all happier and more friendly.

It's a grand experience and it is our hope that this fellowship and kindness will remain with us not only through the Christmas season but through the years to come. Our sincere good wishes at this great Holiday Season.

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FERREL BROS.

Letters To Santa Claus

Los Alamos, N. M.
Dear Santa:
I have been a good boy this year. I have taken care of the things you gave me last Christmas. I hope you will bring me a new toy train, candy, and all sorts of goodies. I can be at Grandmother's house and Gardenhire's house, but be sure and bring me a new house in Los Alamos. I might not get to go to Memphis.
Lots of love,
Mike Kilgore

Lesley, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little girl three years old and I'm terribly spoiled, but hope I have been sweet enough for you to bring me some dishes, a doll, a nurse kit and a gun and holster. Please remember my friends and brother and sister.
With lots of love,
Tonda Hatley, (better known as Stinky)

Lesley, Texas
Dear Santa:
Please bring me a Happy Time walking doll and a doll buggy. Thank you Santa.
Your little friend,
Catherine Ivy

Lesley, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little boy five years old. I have been good as far as boys go. I have a gun and a space car, a basketball set and record player. Please remember my ducks and Papa Hatley's. Love,
Kirby J. Hatley

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
We are a couple of little girls four and six years old. We have tried to be good. Please bring us a Terri-Lee doll, gun and holster set and dishes. Remember all the other little boys and girls. Thank you.
Regina and Jane Hoover
Love,



MAYOR . . . Sweden elected its first lady mayor, pretty Katarina Bissmarck, 26. She's new burgomaster of Sala, Sweden.

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa:
I would like for you to bring me a transport truck with four cars and a Roy Rogers cap carbine rifle with caps.
My little sister wants a doll and doll suitcase.
We have both tried to be good this year.
Love,
Dwight and Sherry Garrison

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I have been a good little girl. Please would you bring me a bicycle with balance wheels, a bride doll with clothes and suitcase, a pair of moccasins and a doll bed and pillow.
I have a two year old brother who would like a fire truck, a rubber set of tools and a little train.
I love you,
Suzette and Bill Smith

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am eight years old. I am in the second grade. Please bring me a walking doll, skates and a station set. Thank you for my toys last year.
I love you,
Carol Ann Nivens

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll and a doll buggy too and please bring me some Christmas candy and nuts and fruit.
Thank you Santa Claus.
Your little friend,
Reba Gail Woods

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a boy seven years old. Please bring me a set of guns and a play wrist watch.
Love,
Eddie Jack Bragg

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
Please bring me a toy rifle and some boxing gloves. Thank you Santa.
Your little friend,
Chipper Baker

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a BB gun and a football. Also some candy and nuts too. Thank you Santa.
Your little friend,
Melvin Moore

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me for Christmas a Dale Evans suit and a pair of boots and two guns. Thank you Santa.
Your little friend,
Tamara Frisbie

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a BB gun and a football suit, size 12 and candy and nuts. Thank you Santa.
Your little friend,
Richard Collins

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
Please bring me a Bonny Braids doll, a Dale Evans suit, size 8, guns and holsters and a pair of boots.
Your little friend,
Linda Jane Snider

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a BB gun, an electric train and Roy Rogers suit, size 9. Thank you Santa.
Your little friend,
Danny Greenway

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me for Christmas, an electric football game and a real leather football and some boxing gloves and candy and fruit. Thank you Santa.
Your little friend,
Jimmy Sturdevant

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am six years old. I want a paint set, a baseball glove, a woodburning set and some good carpenter tools. Please remember the boys at Boys Ranch.
I love you,
Kenneth McKown

Christmas Greetings

Christmas, with its joyous magic
and Holy meaning,
Again brings us to the full
appreciation of loyal friendships
and so, mindful of these
associations, we pause to extend
Our heartiest Christmas greetings.

Durham's
PRESCRIPTION PHARMACY
N.W. DURHAM - PHARMACIST
MEMPHIS TEXAS

PHONE 323

Merry Christmas

If the Yuletide Season brings
us closer to a complete and
lasting peace on earth, it will truly
be just cause for rejoicing.

LAVENDER SERVICE CENTER
Memphis, Texas

CHRISTMAS

SEASON'S GREETINGS

This season of the year affords us a splendid opportunity to express our Best Wishes to each of our friends and customers in this area. We are grateful for your past favors and wish you a season of great joy and happiness.

J. M. TINDALL GIN
S. J. KING, Manager
Memphis, Texas

Phone 293-J

*Wishing You
a Very
Merry
Christmas*

At this happy Holiday season, we pause in our everyday work to wish for you and yours the best of everything. You have been very considerate of this gin during the past months, and have made possible our successful ginning season.

For your kindness and help, we wish to express our sincere appreciation and to pledge anew our policy of giving our friends and customers even greater service in the months and years to come.

We want you to have much joy during the Christmas season. And may the New Year bring with it success as a reward for your efforts.

MEMPHIS FARMERS COOPERATIVE GIN

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TB Patient Says Finding That Children Were Okay Greatest Christmas Gift

Sanatorium, Texas—"... So you see, I already have the greatest Christmas gift of all..."

That was Mrs. J. B. Carroll of Ladonia, Texas, speaking from the quiet hospital room in McKnight sanatorium. She has been there since February when a two-year illness finally was diagnosed as tuberculosis.

That was the reason for Mrs. Carroll's concern. The two years she had spent with her family be-

fore she learned it was tuberculosis causing the fever, the coughing, the weight loss, the steadily mounting illness.

After her disease was found and she started on the road to recovery, a letter informed her that her son, Glendon Eugene, 13, and her daughter, Mary Louise, 10, were "dragging around and not feeling well."

Mrs. Carroll worried, as mothers do. She remembered the pre-

vious summer they had been feverish, ill.

Fears and uneasiness haunting a tuberculosis patient can be a major handicap to medical treatment. Mrs. Carroll's progress slowed. The hospital staff looked for reasons.

Finally she confided her concern to Mrs. Elnor Norwood, the hospital's medical social worker whom the patients have dubbed "the worry lady."

Mrs. Norwood wrote the Fanning County TB Association, asking Miss Billy Barnette, the executive secretary, to have the children X-rayed.

Very soon there came the welcome letter from Mr. Carroll, "Hon, the doctor says there is nothing to worry about. Both mine and the children's x-rays are clear."

The wonderful news! The reassurance that her loved family was free of TB put Mrs. Carroll back on the road to recovery.

She had weighed 92 pounds when she came to McKnight. As she told this story of what Christmas Seals had done, she calmly said, "Now I weigh 107."

Her father, J. M. Staley of Wolfe City in adjoining Hunt county, was visiting her. His eyes sparkled over his daughter's improvement and the good report he could take home, "Mary is getting well."

There is a prospect of surgery ahead for Mrs. Carroll. But that will only speed her on her way back to health and home.

She isn't unduly disturbed about the surgery or "Christmas in the san." Because another Christmas she expects to be decorating the tree at home in Ladonia, a typical Texas community where she was born and has spent her life.

And as she puts it, "... you see, I already have the greatest Christmas gift of all. I know my children and my husband don't have tuberculosis."

Silent Night, Holy Night



Reverence marks this year's Christmas cards

Americans will send more religious Christmas cards this year than at any time in history. Greetings that reflect the true spirit of the Christmas season have been growing steadily in popularity. The selection of Hallmark Cards above is typical of the beauty and reverence which distinguish many of this year's designs.

The card at the upper left was created by Cydney, long noted for his characterizations of children. Entitled "Angel Choir," the card has a deep blue background that suggests winter's night skies.

At the upper right is Bartholome Murillo's "The Little Con-

ception," which was painted in the 17th century. The original hangs in the William Rockhill Nelson Gallery in Kansas City. "Magi and Madonna," at the left center, is an original by David Herskovitz, an outstanding American artist. The design is in bold, gold-splashed colors that reflect the joy of the Magi's gift-giving.

A contemporary Spanish artist, Manolo Prieto, painted "Flight to Egypt," at the right center. A prize-winning painting in the international Hallmark Art Award, "Flight to Egypt" was the favorite of visitors to art galleries and museums throughout the United States in which the collection was shown.

LETTERS FROM READERS

GREETINGS OLD FRIENDS
Presbyterian Manse
Italy, Texas

Dear Friends of Memphis:
With fond memories our love and our hearts are with you at this time. Now we seem to see your faces, hear your voices, catch again the warmth of your homes, and best of all, in holy worship in a "Christmas Service." Memory is sublimely sacred.

Hall County court house, surrounded by many enterprises, lovely church buildings, many, many lovely homes, school buildings all seem perfectly clear in my thinking this morning with radiant sunlight streaming through our windows.

Therefore to all persons now living in Memphis, and out on farms for many miles around we greet you with kindly thoughts and best wishes for you.

Of course, we know quite a number of changes have occurred since last we saw you.

With Gods Infinite love, and mercy around and about you, we bring you "Good tidings of great joy." How wonderfully fine it would be to once again see you. We might talk way in to the night hours of some very fine experiences we had during those years. A thrill came to us many, many times in seeing little boys and girls on their way to school. Now those same boys and girls are filling many important places in life.

It is perfectly normal to think of character building and worthwhile ideals as we think of you. We often speak of the fine group of young people we had in our Church there at that time, not great numbers, but fine in the true word of desiring to accumulate wealth of mind and growth.

Your churches and pastors with your deep interest in worthwhile objectives for the New Year will go forward in doing much good. God bless you, our good friends.

Most sincerely,
your friend,
E. C. Cargill

The hanging up of the mistletoe and the burning of the Yule log are two of the most ancient customs which come from our pagan ancestors.

Greetings

May the joys and pleasures of the Holiday Season be centered around you and yours and may they continue throughout the days to come.

Moore Radio-TV Service
203 N. 14th St.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa: Estelline, Texas
I am a girl eight years old. I am in the third grade. I would like you to bring me a Tiny Tears doll, house shoes and cootie set. Thank you for the toys you brought me last year.
Love you,
Sandra Sue Hood

Dear Santa: Newlin, Tex
I am a boy nine years old. Please bring me a twin set, an electric train, a wrist and guitar.
Thank you for the things you gave me last year.
Love,
Jimmy Lee Boyd



Season's Best Wishes

We want you to know how much your patronage and friendship mean to us. We've tried to deserve this friendship and in the years to come we hope to serve you often.

CLARENCE BAXTER IMPL. CO.

International Harvester
Sales & Service
Memphis, Texas

Season's Greetings

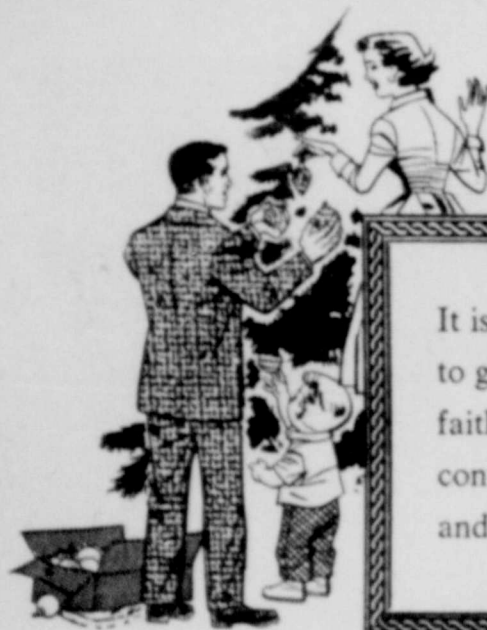
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OF OUR MANY
FRIENDS
AND CUSTOMERS

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Bill and Al

Notice NEW LOW PRICE on Boaz Tablets

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C. A. McCollum
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Merry Christmas

It is a pleasure, at this time of the year, to greet our friends, who, through their faith in us, have made this year one of continued progress. Our sincere thanks and hearty greetings to all.

HUGHS BATTERY & ELECTRIC

716 Noel

Phone 513

To us this thing called business is founded largely on friendship and the desire to be of service to our customers. We have appreciated your acquaintance and your patronage. And so to you and yours—we wish a real Merry Christmas.



BROWN AUTO STORE

Lee

Pee Wee

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Christmas is that time of the year when our thoughts turn to the more noble things of life...to the happiness we can bestow rather than that which is bestowed on us. As an expression, therefore, of our genuine appreciation of your good will, we extend to you our most sincere good wishes for Christmas.



HICKEY MOTOR COMPANY

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SEASON'S GREETINGS

The Memphis Democrat

Hall County Herald, Established May 3, 1890, Absorbed by Purchase August, 1928

Attend Your - -
Church on Sunday

Work For --
Our Community

MEMPHIS, HALL COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 23, 1954

Boys And Girls Send Annual Greetings To Jolly Saint Nick

<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a football, baseball, mixed nuts and candy. Don't forget my brother, Mike. Your friend, Louie Armstrong</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll bed, doll, E nursing set and nuts of all kinds and also some Christmas candy. Don't forget all the other boys and girls. I am eight years old. Your friend, Betty Long</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me an electric football game, a baseball glove and a football suit. Your friend, Marvin Spencer</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: Will you please bring me a dress suit. Please bring my little brother a tricycle. Your friend, Chiver</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I have tried to be a good boy. Will you please bring me a BB gun, some nuts, candy and fruit. Don't forget the other children. Love, Harry Helm</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy six years old. Please bring me a toy rifle and a truck. Do not forget my brother and sister. Bring them a tractor and doll. We love you, Charles Booth</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy seven years old. I have been a pretty good boy this year. For Christmas I want some Roy Rogers guns and scabbard, a cowboy suit and hat, a real cowboy watch and cowboy boots. Also fruit, nuts and candy. Lots of Love, Your friend, Wayne Wheeler</p>
<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I am Walter and I want a bicycle and a little train. I am eight years old. Bring me nuts and candy too. Walter Linville</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll with six dresses and a bed, a nursing kit, a set of dishes and some nuts and Christmas candy. Do not forget the other boys and girls. Your friend, Brenda Stewart</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a BB gun, a flag, a 26 inch bike, some Christmas candy and nuts. Do not forget the other boys and girls who have been good. Your friend, Bobby Ray Jeffries</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a two gun set, a bicycle, a baseball bat and lots of candy. I am nine years old. Your friend, David Lee May</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I am seven years old and would like for you to bring me a ring, shoes and a record player for Christmas. Love, Lana Worthington</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl seven years old. Will you please bring me a bicycle basket for my bicycle, some doll clothes for my new baby doll, Linda Baby and a house coat? Don't forget the other little boys and girls. Love, Linda Kay Alewine</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl six years old. I would like to have a Mary Jane doll and doll clothes. Be sure and visit all the other nice boys and girls. Yours, Glenda Bruce</p>
<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I am Carolyn. I am eight years old. I want a table and a tea set. Carolyn Linville</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I am Kay Wines. I am nine years old and in the third grade of Austin School. I want a walking doll with the ward robe, some mixed nuts and some Christmas candy. Your friend, Kay Wines</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a 28 inch bicycle, a Terri Lee doll and some clothes for her. I want a Princess Mary doll and a Bonnie Braid doll too. I want all kinds of nuts, all kinds of candy and fruits. I am a girl in the third grade. I am nine years old. Please don't forget my daddy and mother and my eight year old sister. Please don't forget all of the other boys and girls. Your friend, Jimmie Ward</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: We will be in Littlefield Christmas. Please bring me a big baby doll, a whiteboard and a coca cola dispenser and a paper doll house. Please bring my brother, Robert Neil, something nice and red. He loves red. Merry Xmas to you, Marilyn</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl six years old. I have tried to be a good girl. For Christmas I would like to have a bicycle and a doll. Please don't forget my little sister. Her name is Cathy and she wants the same thing I do. I love you, Ann Jones</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I want a bell lyre for Christmas. I am six years old. My birthday is August 21. Yours truly, Susan McQueen</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy three years old. I would like to have a jet gun and some little cars. Be sure and visit all the other nice little boys and girls. Yours, Sammy Bruce</p>
<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl four years old and have been pretty good this year. I will be in Memphis Christmas visiting my cousins, Pamela and Mitzi Lindsey. Please bring me a walking doll with clothes for her. Also other toys, candy, fruit and nuts. Don't forget Pamela and Mitzi and bring them what they want. Brenda Gail Gilmore</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl in the second grade. I live in Memphis, Texas. I want a big bike, a Princess Mary doll and a Terri Lee doll with doll clothes. Please don't forget the other children. Love, Doris Wood</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I am a little six year old boy. This is my first year in school, and I like to go. Santa, I want you to bring me a bicycle, football and a little movie projector, please. Also lots of candy, fruit and nuts. Thank you. Your little friend, Gary Dale Graham</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl in the second grade. Please bring me a robe, a bicycle, a flower girl doll with some clothes. Love, Judy Berg</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl just two years old. I have been a good girl most of the time. Will you please bring me a doll, doll stroller, cradle, bracelet and necklace and anything else you want to. Don't forget Kenny Joe and all the other boys and girls. Be good to my Sunday School teachers. I love you, Debra Lynn Hawkins</p>	<p>Memphis, Texas Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl four years old. I have been a good girl so please bring me a walking doll, a doll bed and blankets. Also candy, nuts and chewing gum. Be sure and not forget all the other little boys and girls. Love to you, Diane Henry</p>	



Merry
Christmas



May we say that we appreciate having had the opportunity of serving you and the privilege of enjoying your friendship and good will. You have helped us accomplish a very satisfactory year so we add to our Christmas Greetings an honest and sincere "Thank You."

HERB'S GROCERY

to you... A HAPPY CHRISTMAS

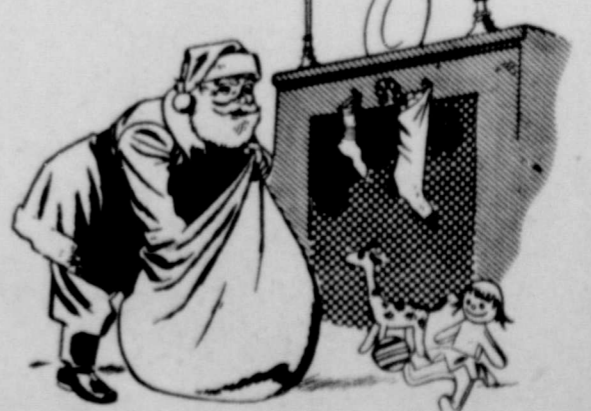
One of the genuine joys of the Yuletide is that which gives us an opportunity to express our appreciation to you. Each passing year brings us a higher evaluation of your many friendships.



GOODALL HOSPITAL

Greetings

To everybody... everywhere... we wish you a most pleasant Christmas season... one which will long be treasured by you and yours. And for your business since last Christmas, our sincere thanks.



MEMPHIS STEAM LAUNDRY

Letters To Santa Claus

Amarillo, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 How are you? I want a French bicycle, a model ship, a fifty commandoes set and a model airplane. And I have a surprise for you Santa, some goodies.
 Love,
 Tony Monzingo
 P. S. I live on 2401 Travis St.

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy six years old. I would like to have a bicycle, and some boots and don't forget my two little brothers. They want a tricycle and some boots too.
 Love,
 Allen Hardage
 P. S. Santa, don't forget Mommie and Daddy.

Turkey, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little boy two years old and have been a good little boy most of the time. Please bring me a two gun holster set, a choo choo train, a little tractor with equipment and lots of candy and fruit. Don't forget to bring my little brother, Kerry, who is four months old, lots of soft squeaky toys.
 We will be at our Ma Maw and Pa Paw Martin's, so leave our things there on Christmas Eve.
 Thank you,
 Kevin and Kerry Wood

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I want a Panda Bear and a toy bake set. I think I have been a pretty good girl. I am in the second grade and I take music. I would like to have fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget the other boys and girls. Don't forget my teachers, Mrs. King and Mrs. Ward.
 Your friend,
 Vivian Faye Maddox

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy eight years old. I think I have been pretty good this year. I would like to have a baseball suit, bicycle, electric football set, puzzles and fill my stocking with candy and nuts. Please don't forget all of the other little boys and girls.
 I'll see you Christmas.
 Love you always,
 John M. Ferrel

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a Red Riding Hood doll, a little iron, an ironing board, some doll clothes, a baby

bed, a little baby high chair, some baby diapers, also some candy and fruit. My name is Judy Moore, I have been a nice little girl all year. I am five years old. Please bring me what I have wanted.
 Your friend,
 Judy Moore

San Diego 16, Calif.
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little boy three years old. I've tried hard to be a good boy. Will you please bring me an electric train, record player and any little toys you have to spare. Please come to my house in San Diego this year and don't forget my Granny and Grandad in Texas. Also all of my cousins and Ava Dell too.
 Love,
 Billy Ray Elsberry

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a pair of skates, two guns and holsters, five boxes of caps, a guitar and some candy and fruit. My name is Tommy Joe Moore. I am eight years old. Please bring me what I have wanted.
 Your friend,
 Tommy Joe Moore

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Will you please bring me a bicycle and a drink-wet baby. I am eight years old and my name is Cheryl Ann Craighead.
 Your friend,
 Cheryl

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I want a dolly for Christmas, a rocky horse, a cabinet to put my dishes in, a "plano", a stove, a turtle and a farmer in the dell.
 Love,
 Margy Lou Morris

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I want a Prince Valiant suit. I want that truck and a bicycle. I'm sorry that I've been bad sometimes.
 Love,
 Jimmy Morris

Newlin, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I would like to have a BB gun and a cowboy suit. My little brother is 21 months old and he loves little tractors and cars. We'll be happy with any toys you bring.
 Love,
 Jimmy Darrell Diggs

LAFF OF THE WEEK



"I presume the one you bought last week is worn out already."

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 Please bring me a walking doll, a dressing table, a new set of dishes and a cooking set like Mommy's. I am four years old and have tried to be good. Don't forget all the other little boys and girls. I hope you have a Merry Christmas.
 Love,
 Melissa Barbee
 P. S. Would you please bring my Terri Lee home from the doll hospital?

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I have been a good boy this year. I'm one and a half years old. I want a rocking horse and a rocking chair for Christmas.
 Thank you,
 Mike Helm

Newlin, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl in my second year at school. I would like a walking doll, a nurse set and a bicycle. Thank you for my gifts last year.
 Love,
 Barbara Diggs

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 Since my brother and I share so many of our toys we will write you our letter together. We would each like to have new guns, football hat, boots and cowboy hat. Together we could share a train, football, basketball and goal and ranch set. We also have a little sister too. Since this is the first Christmas she remembers too much about, we hope you will bring her a pretty doll she will be proud of. Also don't forget to fill our stockings with lots of candy, fruit and nuts.
 Thank you,
 Carl Jack, Gary and Brenda Young

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 Please bring me a twin doll set, a gun and holster and a suitcase. I am three years old. Bobby is eight months old so bring anything a little boy might like to play with. Don't forget the other girls and boys.
 Love to Santa,
 Brenda and Bobby Brown



THE CHRISTMAS STORY...

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in this same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not, behold, I bring you good tidings.....

MERRY CHRISTMAS
THOMPSON BROS. CO.

Merry Christmas

We extend sincere good wishes to each of you for the Holiday Season. We invite your continual patronage --it will be a true pleasure to serve you in the future... and in the meantime, please accept our wish that Christmas will be joyful for you and yours.



CICERO SMITH LUMBER CO.
 Memphis Phone 72

Merry Christmas



At Christmas time we realize more than ever how much our friends—both old and new—have meant to us throughout the past year, and more than ever there is a special meaning in these wishes for a Merry Christmas.

TARVER-STANFORD PHARMACY
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GREETINGS

As an expression of our genuine appreciation of your friendship and all that it has meant to us, we wish you and those you love
 A Joyful Christmas Season.

KINARD-GAILEY AGENCY
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Letters To Santa Claus

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am six years old. This is my first year in school and I have been a good boy most of the time.
 I would like to have a holster set with guns, a new red wagon, a cowboy hat and gloves and a chalk board. Also candy, nuts and fruit.
 Please remember all other boys and girls everywhere.
 Love to Santa,
 David Lynn Lemons
 Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:
 I want a bicycle for Christmas. Thank you,
 Nedra Sue Miller
 Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:
 I am in the first grade. My name is Gary Simmons. I want a pair of guns and a pair of boxing gloves. I want a lot of nuts and candy, too.
 With love,
 Gary Simmons
 P. S. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Memphis, Texas
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 P. S. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

WORDS & THOUGHTS



Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am six years old. I have been a good girl. Please bring me a walking doll, a record player and records. I would like very much to have an accordion.
 I love you,
 Sandra Kay Mauck
 Memphis, Texas

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 Please bring me a BB pistol, a basketball and a goal. Also bring me a cootie set and mixed nuts and Christmas candy.
 Don't forget the other little boys and girls.
 Your friend,
 Brad Posey
 Newlin, Texas

Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl who will be seven Saturday, December 18. I have tried to be a good little girl and gave studied hard at school.
 Please bring me a doll and a typewriter. If you don't have these bring me anything else.
 Don't forget all other little children.
 I love you,
 Jane Helm
 Lakeview, Texas

Dear Santa:
 It isn't long until you will be around and I will be waiting for you to bring me a bicycle, doll, house shoes and a camera.
 I am seven years old. My little sister, Landa who is five years old wants a bicycle and a doll too.
 So far, I think we have been nice and hope you don't miss our house. Don't forget the other little folks.
 We love you,
 Ginafae Berry
 Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:
 I am eight year old. I am in the second grade. I like to play football and baseball. Please bring me a football suit, a football, a baseball, some cars for my train and some games.
 Your friend,
 Robert N. Noah
 Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl in the second grade. Will you please bring me a Terri Lee cowboy doll and Terri Lee clothes? Don't forget the other girls and boys.
 Love,
 Coby Callaway
 Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl in the second grade. This Christmas I would like to have some puppits. Don't forget any of the other boys and girls.
 With love,
 Cheryl A. Foster
 Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:
 How are you? I am fine. I am a boy in the second grade and am seven years old. My name is Thomas. I like my teacher. I want a watch, a football, a basketball and a tractor.
 With love,
 Thomas Patterson
 Plaska, Texas

Dear Santa:
 I am eight years old and in the second grade this year. I have been real good and make good grades in school. Please don't forget my nice schoolmates. Please bring me a Terri-Lee doll with some clothes, a baby buggy and anything else you think I should have.
 Thank you,
 Dana Koeninger
 Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:
 I am ten years old. Please bring me a belt with my name on it, and a piano. Please bring my cousin a doll and some nuts of all kinds and some candy of all kinds.
 Your friend,
 Lynda Gilreath

SEASON'S GREETINGS

May the Star of Bethlehem that guided the wise men to the Christ Child shine for you again this Christmas. May its light of promise gleam softly and steadily over this beloved land of ours. May it lead us to greater wisdom and goodness in our dealings one with another. In expressing our Christmas wish may we also add our sincere thanks for all past courtesies.



MEMPHIS TIRE & SUPPLY CO.

J. M. Ferrel, Jr.

Zeno Lemons

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Friends

are like keepsakes growing more dear and meaning still more to us year after year, and with every Christmas it means still more, too, to send warmest wishes to good friends like you.

MEMPHIS CAFE

Pearl and Eddie



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

TO EACH OF OUR LOYAL FRIENDS



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Greetings



A host of good wishes to our many friends and customers

Wherry's Jewelry

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GREETINGS

OF THE

YULETIDE SEASON



MEMPHIS LUMBER CO.

Letters To Santa Claus

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 Please bring me a bicycle, wood burning set, an electric train and plenty of fruit and nuts.
 Your friend,
 Keith Graham

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I would like for you to bring me a basketball and goal, a paint set and a wood burning set. My little brother would like a wagon and tractor for Christmas.
 I love you,
 Joan Proffitt

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a girl in the fourth grade. I would like for you to bring me a bicycle. If I get the bicycle I probably won't get anything else, for it cost a lot of money.
 Yours truly,
 Lou Carol Saied

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I would like for you to bring me a basketball and a basketball goal. Please bring me a bicycle, set of Peter Pan dolls, and a suitcase full of doll clothes. That is all I want for Christmas. Don't forget all the other girls and boys.
 I love you,
 Carol Lee Smith

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I want a Terri Lee doll.
 I love you,
 Etta Marcene Stephens

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am in the fourth grade. I would like a horn and light for my bicycle, also a bunch of hobby socks, black, gold and white. I will be at home on Christmas Eve and will have some cake and milk for you. I want a volley ball and goal. I want a doll and doll clothes. Be sure to give all the other boys and girls in Korea something. Give me plenty of nuts and candy.
 Yours truly,
 Lorita Ann McCreary

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I want a bicycle for Christmas.
 I love you,
 Charles Larron

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am ten years old. I would like a Prince Valiant set, an electric train and a football. Don't forget the other boys and girls. Also, candy and nuts.
 I love you,
 Charles Waller

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I would like to have a walking doll, a watch band and a set of dishes.
 Yours truly,
 Linda Kay Bowman

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Will you please bring me a pellet gun and lots of candy and nuts? Our Christmas tree will be in the north corner in the living room. I will have some chocolate candy under the tree. Be sure and don't wake me up this year. And if you want a drink of water, just go in the kitchen and get you one.
 Your friend,
 Teddy Barnes

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little girl eight years old. I have been very good this year. I am in the third grade. Please bring me a walking doll, a bicycle and a baby cart. I love you Santa.
 Your friend,
 Shirley Ann Bruso

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little boy nine years old. I have been very good this year. I am in the third grade.
 Please bring me a zipper Bible and a bicycle. I love you.
 Your friend,
 Holland Dwight Medford

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little girl eight years old. I have been very good this year. I am in the third grade. I want a pair of skates, a bicycle, a bugle and a billfold. I love you.
 Your friend,
 Virginia Ruth Haire

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I want a bow and arrow, and Roy Rogers gun. My brother is one year old. Please bring him a big doll.
 Your friend,
 Donald Wayne Jeffers

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am in the fourth grade. I am nine years old and I will soon be ten. I would like to have a pair of skates and that little monkey in Amarillo. Also I would like to have a real monkey. Please send me a doll and a ball. I would like a book, a bracelet and a few other things too.
 I love you,
 Paula Gentry

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I want a football, a baseball, pellet gun and a bicycle.
 I love you,
 Richard Lawson

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I would like a large walking doll and I would like for it to have rooted-in hair and I want it to be real hair and a small suitcase filled with a lot of pretty clothes. I want a dark red bicycle with a light in the front and a seat on the back. I would also like a set of plastic dishes.
 I love you,
 Patricia Vines

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little girl seven years old and I am in the first grade. I sure did like the toys you gave me last year. Please bring me a doll, some plastic bricks and some bobby socks. Be sure and remember all the other little boys and girls and bring them something too.
 Love,
 Mary McCreary

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy twenty months old. I've been a pretty good little boy too. Santa, I want you to bring me a horn for my tricycle, a black board, a set of guns and holsters, a telephone and a football. Thank you for what you brought me last year.
 Billy Edd Dixon

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little boy eight years old. I have been very good this year. I am in the third grade. Please bring me an electric train and football suit. My sister wants a rubber doll.
 Your friend,
 Clinton Culp

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me two guns and a train for Christmas. I am a little boy and I am eight years old. I have been very good and my brother has been good. I had a very good Christmas party last year and so did my family.
 Your friend,
 Richard Aaron

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little girl nine years old. I have been very good this year. I am in the third grade.
 Please bring me a Terri Lee doll, a cornet horn and a bedroom.
 Your friend,
 Marsha Kay Hill

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I might come to see you on Christmas. But if you come to see me first will you please bring me some toys? If you will I will leave you something.
 I love you,
 Tommy Dewey

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I would like to have a Toe Dancing Doll with rooted-in hair. Also some clothes for her. I am in the 4th grade. And don't forget the nuts and candy.
 Yours truly,
 Jone Ward

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a basketball, baseball glove, bathrobe, candy, nuts and fruit. I am a little boy eight years old.
 Thank you very much.
 Your friend,
 Richard Ellis

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a boy nine years old in the third grade. I have been very nice this year.
 Please bring me an English bicycle, a BB gun and some BB's, some clothes, candy, nuts and fruit.
 Your friend,
 Jimmie Widener

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a train, a football suit, BB gun and a bicycle. Also a pair of guns and horse. I am in the third grade. Thank you.
 Your friend,
 Billy Crawford

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a bicycle and a train. I am in the third grade I have a sister.
 Your friend,
 Doyle Woods

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little girl nine years old. I have been very good this year. I am in the third grade. Please bring me a doll, bike seat, and a Cinderella watch. Please remember all the other boys and girls.
 Your friend,
 Neita Gayle Reed

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I have been a pretty good girl this year. I would like a fish aquarium, My sister wants a basketball or a plastic clarinet. My brother, Bill, wants a little baseball and hat. I am nine years old. I will be 10 on January 23.
 Yours truly,
 Cathy McQueen

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Will you send me a bicycle, two guns and a scabbard? I'm nine years old. I have been very good this year. I am in the third grade.
 Your friend,
 Eddie Wilkinson

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I want a walking doll for Christmas. I want some doll clothes.
 With love,
 Doris Faye Howard

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I want a bow and arrow, a pellet gun, a pair of skates and an electric football set.
 I love you,
 Kenneth Allison

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I want a pair of boots, a pair of boxing gloves, a punching bag, a size 22 bike and a box of candy and some nuts.
 I am a boy ten years old and want a big truck.
 Yours truly,
 Arnold Caviford

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am Dan Goffinet. I want a bicycle, a football and a bow arrow. I want a safety sweater.
 I love you,
 Dan Goffinet

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a paint set, that you paint by numbers, a magic set, Don't forget to bring me lots of fruit, candy and nuts.
 Yours truly,
 Doyle Phelps
 Ronnie Bruce
 P. S. I love you Santa.



One of the great joys of life, as we see it, is the friendship we experience through the years. Our firm has been blessed with many of these associations, reflected in the continued growth that has been ours to enjoy. At this glad season of the year we wish to once more express our sincere appreciation of these fine friendships and to invite your continued thoughtfulness and consideration. We like to think that there is a spirit of friendship underlying each business transaction. We value our business friendships as we value our personal friendships.

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 TO EACH OF YOU**

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TO WISH YOU A

Merry Christmas

It is pleasant indeed at this time of the year to gratefully acknowledge the favors we have received and extend to you our compliments of the Season.

**RICE'S
 MAGNOLIA SERVICE STATION**

Letters To Santa Claus

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little girl in the second grade. Will you please bring me a bicycle?
Don't forget the other children.
Love,
Margaret Mackey

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I want a ballerina doll. Please bring some doll clothes too. I love you Santa.
Love,
Rosemary Harrison

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy two years old and I have tried to be a good little boy. Will you please bring me a tricycle and anything else you would like to along with some candy and fruit? Don't forget my big brother and all the other little boys and girls. Will be looking for you Christmas.
I love you,
Bernie Greenway
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:
Please send me a doll and doll bed.
Thank you,
Peggy Ann Parker

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little boy in the second grade. I want a football, a football suit and desk. Don't forget the other children.
Love,
John Lemons

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a BB gun and BB's and two Roy Rogers pistols. Thank you very much.
Your friend,
Randy Brown

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I want a bicycle, a wagon, a car and a BB gun. I am in the third grade. Thank you very much.
Bye Santa.
Your friend,
Tony Shue

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy ten years old. I have been very good this year. I am in the third grade. Please bring me a BB gun and BB's and also a bicycle. I love you Santa Claus.
Your friend,
Randell Hord

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I want a BB gun, a bicycle, a drum, guns, scabbard, an army set, trucks, car, a toy phone, rides, swings and skates.
Your friend,
Ernest Neel

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I would like a typewriter, a phone switchboard, bicycle and an American beauty doll. My sister would like a doll and a few little toys.
Your friend,
Pamela Lindsey

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy nine years old. I have been a good boy this year. I am in the third grade. Please bring me a bicycle, gun, train and play horse. Thank you very much.
Your friend,
Donald Louis Hall

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy in the third grade. I am ten years old. I want a chemistry set, two guns, a bicycle, a watch, a ball, a bat and a glove.
Your friend,
James Carroll

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy eight years old. I have been very good this year. I am in the third grade. Please bring me a telescope, BB gun, BB's and a Ham-Radio set.
Your friend,
Billy Jay Pounds

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I want you to bring me six doll dresses, size one. Also don't forget some nuts and candy. Don't forget my sister and brother.
I love you,
Abbie Carolene Kennon

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl eight years old. I am in the third grade. Please bring me a walking doll, a bicycle, a blackboard and some dishes. Thank you very much. I love you.
Your friend,
Billie Jean Jackson

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me two guns, a BB gun, a John Deere with plows, some cars and a Bible. I have been a good boy. I am in the third grade. Thank you very much. I love you.
Your friend,
Owen Aaron

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I would like to have a doll, socks, black and white saddle ox-fords, dress jacket, fruits and candy.
Your friend,
Sandra Teague

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a motor boat, a dump truck, football and football suit, two Roy Rogers guns and holsters.
Your friend,
Floyd Ray Collins

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I want a turtle neck sweater, some house shoes, a walking doll, silverware for my dishes, a watch and skirt. Also some nuts, fruit and candy.
Patricia Dale Srygley

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a girl of nine years old. I will be 10 December 8. I would like for you to bring me a Tiny Tears doll. I would also like a sterilizing set. Bring all the other boys and girls all the things they want
I love you,
Betty Ann Young



IN A FOG . . . Agatha Acker, J. and her doll don masks in protest against smog conditions in Pasadena. Smog has hampered business and social life generally throughout southern California.



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Beautiful indeed is the Christmas story . . . the history of how, so many years ago, the Wise Men saw the shining star and followed it to a rich and wonderful reward. As we observe again the birth of Him, it is time to find new faith and new hope in the true spirit of Christmas. It is in this spirit that we send greetings to all our friends. And for your loyal and friendly patronage this past year, we extend our sincere thanks. We want to continue to be of service to you in the future.

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Wishing you all
the joys of

A
Merry
Christmas

BRANIGAN JEWELRY

Letters To Santa Claus

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll and 12 dresses, a nurse set, a cooking set and a sewing set. I have a little baby sister. She wants a rubber doll and a ball. I have a brother too. He wants a log truck, two Lone Ranger guns, a basketball and Christmas candy and nuts. Don't forget the other girls and boys.

Your friend,
Juanita Provence

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a football and a musical instrument. I would like some nuts and candy too. Please don't forget the other boys and girls.

Your friend,
Joe Jeffers

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a basketball, a football suit and a belt with my name on it.

Thank you Santa,
Your friend,
Jimmy Harrison

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a little western town, a rod and reel and a pup tent. Also some Christmas candy.

Your friend,
Mike Allan Webster

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a Terri Lee doll, an evening dress for her, some nuts and candy of all kinds. Do not forget my mother, my father and my 14 year old brother, John.

I am nine years old and I am in the third grade in Austin School.

Your friend,
Suetta Lemmon

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll suit case, a tall doll, five dresses for her, some nuts and candy. Do not forget the other children. Do not forget my eleven year old sister, Pearl. I am in the third grade in Austin School.

Your friend,
Frances Hood

THE BAFFLES

By Mahoney



Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a football suit, basketball, some boxing gloves, a baseball, a musical instrument, BB gun, some candy and nuts. Don't forget the other girls and boys in the world.

Your friend,
Mike Phillip Widener

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a bicycle, size 24, a football suit, two pairs of guns, a football and different kinds of candy and nuts.

I am nine years old. I am in the third grade in Austin School.

Your friend,
Phillip Mackey

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little girl two years old. I think I have been pretty good. Santa, I would like for you to bring me a gym set with one swing and a glider. Also a little doll with rotted-in hair. If you can find an extra ring, size 1, I would like for you to drop it off at my house too.

I love you,
Pernina Jean Martin
P. S. Don't forget to bring me some fruit, candy and chewing gum.

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little boy six years old. Please bring me a little car, truck, a gun, scabbard, candy, fruit and nuts. Don't forget Wanda and baby Jo.

Love,
Benny Provence

Amarillo, Texas
2405 Oak Drive

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy almost three years old. I have been as good as possible this year. Would you please bring me a tricycle, dishes, table and chairs, a fire engine, puzzle, a doll and bottle? I will be at my Grandad and Ganga's house this Christmas. Please be nice to William and all the other children. Remember my Grandad Goode who lives in California.

I love you,
Max McQueen

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little girl in the second grade. I have been a good girl. Please bring me a doll for Christmas with hair so I can wash and curl it. Be good to Mama and Daddy and all the other boys and girls.

Lots of love,
Donna Nell Riggs

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a life size baby doll and nuts and candy of all kinds. Do not forget all of the other children in the world.

Your friend,
Evelyn Davidson
Memphis, Texas
December 8, 1954

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a football, boxing gloves, a baseball, basketball, some candy and all kinds of nuts. Remember the other boys and girls.

Your friend,
John Edwards

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a Terri Lee doll, doll clothes, necklace, bracelet, fruit and nuts. Don't forget my dog, "Sally." She wants some popcorn.

Your friend,
Sarah Beth Montgomery

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a brides doll, a doll bed, roller skates, nurse set, party dress and cook set. I would like some Christmas candy and nuts too.

Your friend,
Frances Kittrell

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a walking doll, a watch and a piano. Also different kinds of Christmas candy. Please don't forget the other boys and girls. I have been a good girl.

Your friend,
Linda Carol Lesley

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a trumpet, a china tea set, a doll, also mixed nuts and Christmas candy and some fruit. I am in the third grade. I am nine years old. Don't forget the other children.

Your friend,
Rita Faith Queener

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy and will be three years old Christmas Day. I would like for you to bring me a wrecker, flashlight, some apples, oranges, candy and gum.

I have a baby sister and she would like for you to bring her a dolly. Thank you Santa Claus and don't forget all the other little children.

Love,
Ottie Ray Jones

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am five and one-half years old. I have been a pretty good little girl this year. You know I am only five so my sister is writing for me and her. I would like a Red Riding Hood doll and a bottle sterilizing set and sittin socks.

My big sister who is eleven and one-half wants some sittin socks and ear rings and anything else you prefer to bring her. Don't forget lots of candy and nuts. Don't forget all the other little boys and girls.

Your friend,
Donna and Judy Fowler

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll with clothes, a doll house, some roller skates and some Christmas candy. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Your friend,
Linda Moore

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I have been a good little boy. I would like to have a football set, a two gun holster set, green corduroy shirt and anything else you want to bring me. My brother, Chris, would like a tricycle and some pull toys. Don't forget my Mother.

Love,
Mike and Chris



Merry Christmas

CLENT'S BARBER SHOP

With an unfaltering faith and confidence that He doeth all things well, let us move forward as we have in the past, putting forth our best efforts. Through His guidance, council, and divine blessings. His understanding and love for all mankind, may we realize the goal of all: "Peace on Earth—good will toward Men".



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As the Shepherds and the Wise Men of old, directed by angels, voices and a shining star, came to the place where the Infant lay and offered Kingly presents with glory and honor, we, too, can lay at His feet our most precious gifts... our hearts and souls and bodies.

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Letters To Santa Claus

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I tried to be a good little girl and help Mommie. Will you bring me a cash register, a pretty little dress and a Sunday School? Don't forget the other little boys and girls.
 Love,
 Karen Jean Maddox

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little boy seven years old and I have been a good boy trying to be good. Will you bring me a football, a BB gun, a wrist watch and lots of candy, fruit and nuts.
 Your little friend,
 Jeff Dale Moore

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little girl three years old and I have been a good girl trying to be good. Don't forget my little friends. For I would like a baby doll, a scabbard and a wagon.
 Your friend,
 Sandra Jean Spruill

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Will you please bring me doll clothes for my doll. She is 23 inches long. Also a stereoscope, miniature doll, Pinocchio and Blue Fairy, doll case and nurse set.
 Do not forget the other children. I am nine years old and I am in the third grade. I will try to be good.
 Your friend,
 Velma Jo Hutcheson

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a brides doll, a baby Tiny, some doll clothes and some roller skates. Do not forget all of the other boys and girls.
 Your friend,
 Carolyn Sue Orr

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a two gun set, an electric football game, a football suit and some nuts and Christmas candy. Don't forget the other boys and girls.
 Your friend,
 Billy Foster



GIRL FRIENDS . . . Nancy and Nanette, 8-month-old chimpanzees, embrace after air flight from Liberia where they were captured by John Larson of Hingham, Mass.

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little girl six years old and I have been a pretty nice girl this year, so I would like for you to bring me a little boy doll, a doll suit case, doll clothes and a black board that stands on legs.
 Santa, that is all I want this year, but don't forget my sister, Brenda, and my little brother, Rickey. Brenda is five years old and Rickey is two years old. Brenda wants a little girl doll, a doll suit case and a black board. My little brother wants a scabbard with two guns and a wagon. I think that is all he wants. But Santa don't forget our candy, nuts and fruit. Also don't forget the other boys and girls. So bye Santa for this time, and we'll see you Christmas Eve night.
 Syreta, Brenda and Rickey Lowe
 P. S. Santa we will be up at our Pa Po and Ma Mo Lowe's at Lakeview.

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 Would you please bring me a football suit, baseball glove and bat, BB gun and a wrist watch?
 Your friend,
 Eddie C. Moore

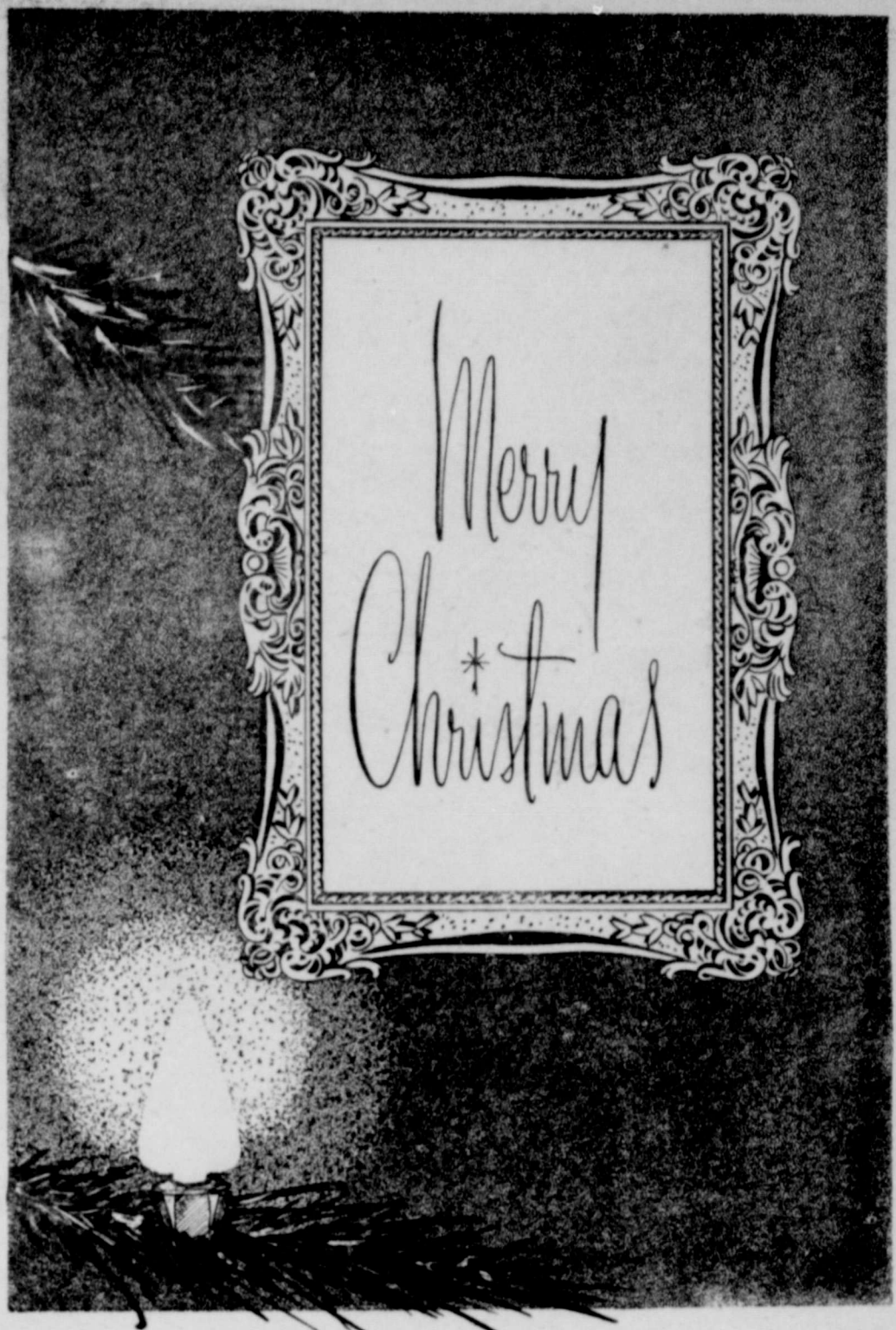
Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I want you to bring my Julia Toni doll from the hospital to me. Also bring Julia some clothes. Bring some doll blankets and a pretty rocking chair. Help all my Memphis friends to have a nice Christmas, too.
 I love you,
 Cindy Morris

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy nearly six years old and I have been a good boy the past year. For Christmas, would you please bring me a board for my electric train, a motor airplane, big red wagon and a toy typewriter? Oh! yes a walking talking robot if you can get one. Also some candy, fruit and nuts.
 Please don't forget all my little friends, they have been good too.
 Your little friend,
 Gerry Dwight Knight

Amarillo, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Hope you are doing all the good. I am a little boy four years old. I live in Amarillo, but will be in Memphis for Christmas. I sure do hope you don't forget, so you can find me. I will be at my Grand Johnnie and Grandmother's house, so please leave me a train, viewmaster, reels, guns and scabbards, blackboard, boats and a piano.
 I have been an awfully good little boy. I think of course you don't have to ask Mommie and Daddy about that, cause they don't know how a real good little boy acts.
 I have five uncles and one little cousin and they sure would like to see you too. Jimmie, Herbie, Ted and Johnnie live in Lakeview and Tommy and David live in Memphis, so please Santa don't forget any of the little boys and girls. If you don't have enough toys to give me all those things, just leave the train and also some nuts and candy. Please don't forget my GrandJohnnie and Grandmother at Memphis and also my Granddaddy Walter and Rene. They are all pretty good fellows.
 I love you Santa,
 Barry Don Bownds
 P. S. My Mommie wants a board some nails and a hammer. My daddy wants a screw driver.

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a basketball, a BB gun, all kinds of nuts and Christmas candy.
 Your friend,
 Mickey D. Daugherty

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am seven and one-half years old. I have been a pretty good little girl. I would like a Red Riding Hood doll and sittin' sox. Please leave lots of candy, nuts and fruits. Hope all of the other boys and girls have a good Christmas.
 Your friend,
 Nancy Fowler



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 and we are grateful, not only from the standpoint of the good business we've enjoyed, but from the knowledge that our greatest asset is our many friends we are privileged to serve.
 Merry Christmas wishes.

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Loads of Happiness

OUR WISH FOR YOU

It is pleasant at Christmas time to include with messages of good will and happiness... an appreciation for the many courtesies that have been sent our way. We want you to know we are sincerely grateful for the confidence you have shown. So, thanks and Merry Christmas!

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JOYFUL CHRISTMAS TIDINGS

When the music of the Christmas carols fills the air with joyful tidings... when the earth is filled with beauty and the stars shine their brightest — that is the time to also be humble. It is well to pause, in the midst of world problems, to express reverent gratitude for our many blessings. The things we seek are the things He would have sought... man's humanity to man... hearts keyed to the eternal music of faith. We who love peace, and have sought it and fought for it, and offered prayer in its behalf, know that our ideals are built on a solid foundation. They cannot fail. So, at this great Christmas occasion, we bring you our sincere greetings... May this Christmas truly be one of genuine happiness for you and yours.

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