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...He gave His only begotten Son. How the shepherds must have rejoiced at the message the angelic host gave them on that first Christmas night... "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." Let us rejoice anew at that message as we celebrate the birth of the Infant Jesus. A joyous Noel to all!

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The Spectator...

By Mary Brecheen

Had I the ability to transfer my thoughts into words, my description of Christmas would be a best-seller.

Every family has its traditions which are passed from generation to generation, and it's those traditions which cause the time to have special significance to many. And, as we put years behind us, the memories grow even more special.

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Christmas was a visit to my grandparents on the opposite corner of the section, and it was there that Santa paid his call--not to our house. Today, I am not fond of the appearance of the bearded gent because I was afraid of him when I was a wee lass. Also, by the same "quirk" in my make-up, when I see and eat all the holiday delicacies now, I re-live the nausea which invariably struck me the night after the big Christmas dinner. My automatic "thermostat" still doesn't cut off when I've over indulged.

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Isn't it amazing how the grown-up sees things so differently? The Christmas tree, in those days of yore, was in the living-bedroom combination. They called it a "front room." To me, as a child, the room lacked nothing in space, decor, congeniality, and warm wishes. However, today that very same room could not contain anything other than the customary living room furniture, and the Christmas tree crowds things, to say nothing of children and grandchildren, even fewer in number than those which occupied the same space in the past.

The quantity, quality, and cost of the gifts was not an issue then either, I remember.

And if a meal for thirty to forty people was a mammoth task, I was not aware of it. I don't even remember a mad rush for weeks ahead to "get ready for Christmas."

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Parents should take advantage of the opportunity which the season provides to store up warm memories for children, for it's a fact that once the parent-nucleus is gone, Christmas takes on a different color.

What was it the poet said? "Gather ye rosebuds while ye may... Old Time is still a' flying..."

High Plains Cotton Classings Total 2,413,000; Number Approaches The Record Crop of '73



W. T. KIDWELL, left, and Turner Rogers, center, owners and operators of Piggy Wiggly in Tahoka, display the citation presented them by David Davis, right, area manager of S & H Green Stamps, for offering S & H Green Stamps to its customers for more than five years.

High Plains Cotton Classing Offices graded 278,000 samples the week ending December 16, according to Paul R. Dickson in charge of Lubbock's Cotton Classing Office. This season's total stands at 2,413,000. For 1973's record crop, around 2,543,000 samples were graded by High Plains Offices, Dickson said.

Prices paid High Plains cotton growers were steady to \$2.50 per bale lower compared to the week before, according to USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service. Growers sold mixed lots of mostly grades 31, 41, 32, and 42; staples 30-33, mikes 3.5 - 4.9, at 42.00 to 42.50 cents per pound.

Predominant High Plains grades this week were grade 41 at 30 percent, grade 32 was 23 percent and grade 42 accounted for 22 percent.

Staple lengths were mostly staple 30 at 15 percent, staple 31 was 33 percent, and staple 31 accounted for 31 percent.

Micronaire continued mostly in the desirable 3.5 - 4.9 range at 79 percent of the total. Twelve percent was higher and nine percent was lower.

Three percent were reduced one grade because of grass and two percent for bark.

The average breaking strength was 87,000 pounds per square inch.

Gins paid growers 58 to 70 dollars per ton for cottonseed, mostly 63 to 64 dollars.

Piggy Wiggly Receives Special Award Citation

Founded in 1896 in Jackson, Michigan, S & H Green Stamps is the oldest and most preferred trading stamp in America. A 1976 nationwide consumer survey revealed that nearly 18 million households save the stamps.

S & H Promotional Services, a division of the Sperry and Hutchinson Company, also includes, besides S & H Green Stamps, S & H Motivation and Travel, S & H Continuities, S & H Financial Promotions, and S & H Sperry's. Other divisions of the company are Interior Furnishings and Business Services.

The store began using S & H Green Stamps in 1958 and, to date, has issued thousands of the popular trading stamps. It is one of many S & H Green Stamp accounts statewide.

S & H Area Manager David Davis presented the plaque to Kidwell and Turner Rogers, owners and operators of the Tahoka store.

Jayson Knox Is Among Nominees To The U. S. Air Force Academy

The Lynn County News has been notified by Congressman Omar Burleson that Jayson Kornell Knox of Tahoka has been appointed to a slate of nine nominees to the United States Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, for admission in July of 1978.

Eight other applicants from the 17th Congressional District have also been appointed to this slate.

The Academy will now examine and appraise the nominees and select a Principal for admission, with qualified Alternates, the Congressman said. Alternates may be given further consideration, depending upon available alternates.

Knox, a senior in Tahoka High School, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leighton Knox, Jr. of Tahoka.

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JAYSON KNOX

Local Church To Have Special Concert On Christmas Night

Church school will meet in Fellowship Hall from 10 to 10:50 a.m. Family fellowship and refreshments will be enjoyed at the first of the period, followed by carol singing and a first-person account of the birth of Christ as seen by the innkeeper, presented by Harold Green.

Tahoka's Methodist Church To Have Special Service Sunday

The worship service in the sanctuary will be from 11 to 11:30 a.m. at which time the pastor's sermon top will be "Nearby," based on Isaiah 9:2, and John 1:14. Mrs. Betty Green will sing "O Holy Night."

No evening service is planned.

Wednesday Bridge Club Has Party

The Wednesday Duplicate Bridge Club in Tahoka met on December 7th for its Christmas party and dinner, and there was a tie for first and second place by Weesie Carroll and Vinita Hamilton and Lena Burleson and Mary Brewer, the latter two being from O'Donnell.

Third place winners were Mable Gurely and Dink Short; fourth place went to Jean Dorman and Mary Wright.

Play will resume on Wednesday, January 4th.

	High	Low
Dec. 14	65	28
15	71	42
16	76	53
17	62	31
18	63	34
19	75	45
20	58	31

Rain this year, 16.30 inches, since October, zero. One of the worst December sandstorms ever recorded was on the 16th.

40th-Anniversary Reception To Honor The Her... Timmons

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Timmons of Ropesville will be honored on their 40th wedding anniversary, with a reception in Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church there on Tuesday, December 27, from 7 to 9:30 p.m.

The couple's children, who will host the reception, are LaJean Roper of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, and Howard and Mike Timmons, both of Brownfield. They invite all of their parents' friends and associates to the occasion.

Troop #236 Sings Carols

Monda, night, December 19, thirteen second-grade girls in Brownie Troop 236 sang Christmas carols at various homes in the city.

Following the caroling, hot chocolate and cookies were served in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ingle.

Carolers were Cassie Ashcraft, Tamara Knight, Lori Tipton, Jeannie Sandobal, Amber McNeely, Shana Hanes, Lacey Jolly, Sandra Stice, Melonie Hill, Regina Ingle, Stina Chapa, JoAnn Vega, and Amy Lawson.

Troop leaders are Susan Tipton and Kay Hill.



SAMMY FUENTES

Sammy Fuentes, of The Emmanuels, from Corpus Christi, will be in concert at Mission Bautista Getsemani, South 5th and Avenue H in Tahoka, on Sunday, December 25, at 7 p.m.

Title of the presentation will be *Su Amor Alcanza*, or, in English, *His Love Reaching*.

The concert is free and the public is invited.

Rudd Attends Energy Meet

State Representative Jim D. Rudd, from the 77th District, was in Austin December 2nd attending a meeting of the special Interim House Committee on Energy.

The Interim Committee, chaired by Representative Jim Nowlin of San Antonio, held a meeting to discuss the status of the National Energy Plan proposed by President Carter and now pending in Congress. Concerning the impact of this proposal, Rudd said, "It appears that the encroachment by the federal government upon the free enterprise system is moving forward as emphasized by its attack on the oil and gas industry."

Upon adjournment, the members of the committee joined the House Energy (see Rudd, Sec. 1, p. 8)

December 18, 1930

The Midway Home Demonstration Club ladies honored their husbands with a banquet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Draper on Friday evening, Dec. 12th.

Eighteen club women and their families were present, also fifty-four other invited guests. Following are the names of those present: Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Cowan, J. R. Strain, Sam Seessums, R. L. Littlepage, C. W. Cleveland, R. B. Floyd, Sam Floyd, Charles Schultz, H. L. Tunnell, N. J. Hudspeth, O. A. Warren, T. A. McClure, B. M. James, C. O. Head, John Slover, Howard Draper, Mrs. Bertie Humphries and daughter, Miss Lane, Miss Vern Headstream, and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Draper. In all, ninety guests partook of this sumptuous feed. Each one went away declaring that they had had the nicest time imaginable and hoping to meet together and enjoy such a happy occasion again soon.

Mrs. D. W. Gagnat honored her little daughter, Myrna Dean, with a birthday party Monday afternoon, from 2 to 3:30 o'clock.

Various games were enjoyed such as drop the handkerchief, ring-a-round the rosy, and hide and seek.

The present presented to the honoree by her little guests were opened and passed to let everyone see them. Myrna Dean enjoyed her little gifts and appreciated them so much.

The hostess served pink and white ice cream in little Dixie cups and white covered cookies. The favors were french-harps.

The list included Misses Mary Beth Fenton, Euella Dollins, Sheila LaVance Moreland, Patricia Hill, Peggy Fenton, Willella Nelson, Norma Jean Weathers, Billie Lee Burleson,

Christmas Is Remembering The Past

Jeraldine Connolly, Dale Hogan, LaVoyle Richardson, Wilmaeade Page, Joycelyn Mason, Carl Griffing, Jr., Eugene Earl Knight, Billie Knight, H. B. McCord, Jr.

The junior member of The News firm is indebted to Mr. Will Montgomery for a big hunk of good old hog back-bone from a hog he killed the other day, for which we thank him from the depths of our heart. As somebody has said, there is nothing we like better and get less of.

December 25, 1930

Miss Beverly Wells of O'Donnell, who has just returned from the C.I.A. at Denton, where she has been a student, visited her aunt, Miss Frankie Wells, here Sunday.

Frank Greathouse, who is a student this year in the Tech, is spending the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Greathouse.

Miss Ina Floyd is spending the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Floyd. She is teaching this year west of Lamesa.

Miss Jewell Redwine returned from Texas Tech Friday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Redwine.

December 24, 1937

Owing to the fact that we have been busy trying to get this big Christmas Greeting issue of the paper off the press one day earlier in the week than usual, we have not had time to

Jim Rudd Speaks To Rotarians In Tahoka On December 15th

"Several problems critical to our state were dealt with in the 65th Legislative session," said Jim Rudd of Brownfield, Representative from the 77th District.

Of the 4,000 bills and resolutions introduced during the session, 916 were passed, and 820 became effective, he said.

Appropriations totaled \$15.5 billion, but he declared there was no state-wide tax increase.

Some of the legislation passed, some of which he thought to be experiments possibly to solve problems, were as follows: The slurry pipeline bill to bring coal from the mountain states to Texas, priority on natural gas use for irrigation, combining the three water agencies, the "Sunset" reform bill which will curtail agencies no longer needed at end of a 12-year period, medical aid to rural areas, a watered-down malpractice bill, trial bill on manufacture and sale of laetrile, crime law reform, change electrocution to injection, increased punishment in the prostitution field, commission of crimes with a deadly weapon, increasing the number of parole officers, teachers' pay raise and retirement benefits, increasing highway improvement, and a new abortion bill.

E. L. Short, who is currently a candidate for State Senator from the 28th District, arranged the program and introduced the speaker.

December 20, 1957

Dear Santa: I am a little boy three years old. I live north of town. Please bring me a tricycle and a holster with two guns. am trying to be good until you come.

Your friends,
Billie Wayne & Nan Beth Pennington

December 20, 1963

Dear Santa: I am a little boy 4 years old. I would like for you to bring me a football suit and a Roy Rogers gun. Thank you Vink Miller Box 5

Dear Santa Claus: My name is Jay Kelley. Would you please bring me whatever you want to bring me. I would like a wagon and top to make a covered wagon. Also a Raggedy Ann doll. Also a bow and arrow. I have a little sister named Tammy. Would you bring her a doll and a jungle gym for her crib. I am 4 1/2 years old and my sister, Tammy, is 5 months old. Thank you very much.

Jay & Tammy Kelley
Box 5
Tahoka, Tex.

December 21, 1951

Miss Mary Ann Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. F. Jones, and Pfc. Don Dee Cowan, son of Mrs. Florence Davies, were married at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Methodist Church.

Tahoka 8th-grade boys basketball team took the first place trophy in the annual O'Donnell Junior Basketball tournament

Lions Club Apologizes For Wreaths

The extended winter drought has taken a toll of the Tahoka Lions Club winter project of providing Christmas wreaths for Tahoka businesses.

Cedar gathered by the Lions from the Double Ranch area was extremely dry, more so than in the past, and as a result, the wreaths do not have healthy green-cedar look in previous years. Even though a full trailer load of cedar was cut, usable cedar was in short supply and exhausted before all businesses could be covered.

The club apologizes for any inconvenience caused by these circumstances, and businesses not receiving their wreaths have had the money refunded.

"We appreciate the support given by local merchants and wish to thank everyone that has proceeded forward from the project go toward the club's many local, worthwhile projects, Lions Club leaders said.

January Revival Scheduled

A non-denominational revival has been set for January 6, 7, and 8, 7:30 p.m., at the Tahoka Community Center.

Evangelist will be John Gutierrez, Jr.

Reception Will Honor '71-'76 Grads

Mrs. Mary Brecheen, former teacher in Tahoka High School, will host a reception in her home on Saturday, December 24, from 5:30 to 9:00 p.m., for members of the classes of 1971 through 1976.

Students in those graduating classes, and the spouses, are invited to call the Brecheen home for reunion with former classmates.

Tahoka Sales Tax Rebate Is \$6,661.39

According to State Comptroller Bob Bullock, Tahoka received a city sales tax rebate check in the amount of \$6,661.39, compared to \$5,750.46 in the same period last year.

To date, in 1977, Tahoka has received \$39,566.18 sales tax rebates.

Llano Estacado Is Looking For Trainees

Llano Estacado is seeking young men for classroom and on-the-job training in fifteen places to fill.

Applicants must be seventeen or older and may put up an application at the Llano Estacado office.

The Lynn County County will have no monthly meeting in December, due to Christmas holidays.

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Lambert's Are Honored On Golden Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lambert were honored at a family luncheon on Sunday, December 18, at K-Bob's Steak House in Lubbock, marking their 50th wedding anniversary.

A family reception followed, at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Shirley Campbell.

Hosts for the occasion were the couple's children and their families: Mr. and

Mrs. Gene Roberts of Hobbs, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Campbell of Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Hill of Tahoka.

The former Inez Miller and Lambert were married December 20, 1927 in Childress, and they moved to Tahoka in 1946, where they farmed until retirement in 1973.

The Lambert's have four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



MR. and MRS. ROBERT LAMBERT
 ...married 50 years

TO ALL OF MY FRIENDS AND A. J. CUSTOMERS

Rejoice ... for Christmas is here! One of the season's bright pleasures is exchanging holiday greetings. This pleasure is ours as we say, "Thanks" to our many loyal customers.

Dave & Buelah Hubbard

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DR. SANTA CLAUS?

If Santa Claus had not gotten into the toy and gift line of work we are quite sure he would have been a doctor, pharmacist, nurse, dentist or other health professional. It just seems to go along with his personality—cheerful, sympathetic, helpful to others and a large capacity for love.

At Christmas time this year we would like to remind you of a wonderful gift you can give yourself—good health. Schedule an annual check-up for your whole family.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL AND TO ALL—GOOD HEALTH.

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 And a joy to remember!

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Panchito Restaurant

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Hearts soar in the crisp winter landscape reminding us of the glories of Nature and of Christmas. May all that brings meaning to this sacred celebration add to the special delight of your holiday. Our thanks.

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Christmas Greetings

We extend our thanks to those we've been privileged to serve. Have a heart warming holiday!

Tahoka Division
O'Donnell Oil & Butane

May JOY,
 LOVE, HOPE
 and PEACE
 light your
 Holidays

a merry Christmas

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 Tahoka, Texas

Letters To Santa



Dear Santa Claus, I would like a baby this and that, a tippy tumble, a necklace, a fuzzy pumper barber shop, a stuffed black bear. Please bring all the other boys and girls something too.

Love, Dene' Valentine

Dear Santa, How are you this year? I hope you are fine.

This year would you bring me an Evil Kneivel motor cycle, a train set, a Stretch Armstrong, and a play CB radio. I am six years old.

Please bring my little sister a baby-come-back, and play dishes.

Your friend, Abraham Vega

Dear Santa, I would like for you to bring me the toys I want. Here is what I want: A B-B gun, a play pool table,

mouse trap game, and a max machine and walkie-talkies. Please bring my sister a baby-thataway and carriage. Thank you, Santa.

Your friend, Mark Vega

P.S. I am seven years old and in first grade. My little sister is two.

Bye, Santa

Dear Santa,

My name is Trey Nance and I'm 4 years old. I live at 1729 N. 3rd. I've been a pretty good boy this year and Santa, would you please bring me a gun, a Putt-Putt

Speedway and a pair of handcuffs.

Please bring my friend, Jaybo, a new Big Wheel.

I'll leave milk and cookies by the fireplace, Santa.

Thank you, Trey

Box 764
Tahoke Tex.
Dec. 14, 1977

Dear Santa,

I am in the third grade. Please bring me a pellet gun, bicycle, walkie talkies, and digital watch, and I will have waiting for you some milk and some cookies.

love

Randy Dale Koonstantaka

Dear Santa,

Will you please bring me a little doll that cries and walk and talk and a little piano and a purse. I am a first grader and I have been a good girl. I am 7 years old.

I love you, Santa.

Joyce Vega
2209 Main St.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a baby alive doll and a purse, a new dress to. I am a second grader and am 8 years old.

Please bring toys to my sisters to. Her names are Josie and Joyce.

I love you Santa,

JoAnn Vega
2209 Main St.

Sherry Etheredge Says

Here are some holiday recipes you might like to try:

Carrot Bread

- 1 1/2 c. salad oil
- 2 c. sugar
- 4 eggs
- 3 c. grated carrots
- 2 c. flour
- 2 tsp. cinnamon
- 2 tsp. soda
- 1/2 c. nuts

Mix ingredients in order given and bake at 350 degrees. This bread may be baked in coffee cans for gifts, or layer or loaf pans.

Pumpkin Bread

- 3 c. sugar
- 4 eggs
- 1 c. oil
- 2 c. pumpkin
- 1 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 tsp. nutmeg
- 2 tsp. soda

Mix all together, then add

FUTURE CITIZENS OF LYNN COUNTY



VENEDA LOUISE AND AARON PATRICK, children of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Stice.



LISA AND CHRIS CARTER, children of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Carter.



ARNETTA LYNN AND WILLIAM HUDGENS, the children of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Hudgens.



STEPHANIE STENNETT, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Stennett.

3 1/2 c. flour, 1/2 c. water, and 1 c. chopped nuts. Bake in 325 degree oven one hour. Makes 2 loaves of bread.

Christmas Fruit Salad

- 1 can chunk pineapple
 - 1 can mandarin oranges
 - 2 bananas
 - 1 can cherry pie filling
- Drain the juice from pineapple, oranges, and add sliced bananas. Combine with pie filling, this makes a pretty red salad.

Wassail Bowl

- (for 5 1/2-qt. cooker)
- 4 qt. apple cider
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 can (6 oz.) frozen lemon juice concentrate, thawed
- 1 can (6 oz.) frozen orange juice concentrate, thawed
- 6 whole cloves
- 6 allspice
- 1 tbs. ground nutmeg
- 24 cinnamon sticks

Put cider, sugar, and juices in cooker and mix well. Tie cloves and allspice in cheesecloth bag. Add with nutmeg to cooker. Cover and cook on high 1 hour, then on low 4 to 8 hours. Serve hot in mugs with cinnamon stick in each mug. Makes 24 6-oz. mugs.

Christmas in New Mexico

New Mexico, Land of Enchantment, is so called because of the beauty of the land and the history of its people. The Spanish conquerors who came to the area from Mexico, in 1540, to search for legendary gold, found only six small villages where Indians lived. The conquerors named the Indians Pueblo, a Spanish word for village. In New Mexico, at the Santa Domingo Indian pueblo, the Christmas season is honored with a four day long, sacred ritual dance. At 2 A.M. Christmas day it starts. After midnight mass, the Indians gather beside the church, wearing colorful costumes decorated with everything from green branches to fox tails. The dancers carry their ceremonial torches, when they move their sacred plaza, when they continue dancing through the day. The children dance the second day, and on the third, the older members of the tribe take over. The entire pueblo joins day-long ceremonies on the last day, so ending this special celebration.

It's Christmas

Can't bear to wait another minute to wish you a Merry Christmas and to express our thanks.

Earlene's Dress Shop

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May the old fashioned delights of Christmas make yours a wonderful holiday.

Our sincere thanks for your friendship.

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PEACE

As holiday chimes peal we extend resounding wishes to all our friends... may Hope, Love and Peace be with you at Christmas and always.

Farmers Co-Op Association Of O'Donnell

GREENINGS

Our warmest wishes to you and your family for a holiday season that's brimming with glad times and good fellowship. May your blessings be many, enriching your days and bringing you joy.

WEST TEXAS INDUSTRIES INC.

Tahoka Compress

a Christmas Wish

Whatever is beautiful,
Whatever is meaningful,
Whatever brings you joy and happiness,
That's what we wish for you!

Our profound thanks at Christmas

Wilson Cooperatives Gins

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1977

A Visit With Your County Agent

by Stanley Young
Lynn County Agent

Texas Brucellosis Status

Brucellosis continues to be a major problem in Texas cattle herds. As of October 1, there were 2,785 quarantined herds owned by 2,390 individuals. Why does brucellosis continue to be such a serious problem? Here are some reasons: --Lack of immunity in feeding herds. This can be strengthened by a continuing program of calfhood vaccination of all beef and dairy heifers using Strain 19 Brucella abortus vaccine. --Failure to separate heavy springers and young animals from the feeding herd. The disease spread more frequently on a reactor animal aborts during calving. --Failure to test the complete herd on each test. --Using only the cattle in the pasture where a

reactor is found is not adequate if other cattle on the ranch are not tested. Unrecognized reactors may continue to spread the disease. --Failure to separate or isolate test reactors or aborting animals from the herd at the earliest opportunity. Reactors and those animals aborting because of brucellosis can continue to spread the disease. --Failure to isolate and re-test purchased replacements before adding to the herd. One test is not enough if the source of cattle is not free of brucellosis. --Failure to re-test quarantined herds at the proper time interval. Unless producers pay closer attention to ridding their herds of brucellosis, the disease will continue to cause serious problems.

Watch For Cattle Scabies

Cattle scabies continues to be a problem in Texas. Two recent outbreaks have been confirmed in Carson and Lamb counties in the Panhandle.

Scabies, a contagious disease caused by parasitic mites, is costly because it involves a quarantine of the infested area and dipping of all cattle involved.

The mites, which become more active in winter, puncture the skin of cattle and feed on body fluids from the wounds. These fluids ooze from the wounds, dry and become mixed with sloughed skin to form scabs. Hence, the name "scabies."

As mites increase in number, the animal's hair falls out, lesions spread, and, if not treated, the entire body may become covered with thick, rough crusts. Heavy infestations may cause death.

Scabies-infested cattle gain less, but require more feed, resulting in higher production costs. Tests have shown that 100 additional

days of feeding are required to bring untreated, infested cattle to marketable condition.

In treating infested animals, costs can run from 40 to 80 cents a head for pesticide alone. Other cost factors include: --When treated with toxaphene, cattle must be withheld from slaughter for 28 days, thus adding to feed costs and possible lower markets. --Infested cattle are more prone to respiratory problems, including pneumonia.

--Cattle often sustain injuries during handling and treatment (dipping). --Damaged hides resulting from infested mite wounds bring lower prices.

In checking herds for scabies, cattlemen should watch for constant tail switching, licking, rubbing against objects, scratching, scabby sores and hair patches on fences. If there are signs of infestation, contact your local veterinarian for diagnosis and advice.

Wilson News

By
Mrs. Brenda (Crowson) Lee

Christmas services at First Baptist Church will be held at 10 a.m. on Sunday, and there will be no services that evening. Everyone is invited to attend the morning service.

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The Mary Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church had their Christmas party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Houchin Wednesday night.

The ladies invited their husbands as guests to the covered-dish dinner.

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St. John Lutheran Church will have their Christmas Eve program Saturday night at 6 o'clock, and everyone is invited.

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Christmas Day services at St. Johns will be a service of

carols, at the regular time.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Klos of Lake Ransom Canyon and Mrs. Anton Ahrens and Edgar visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Gumm and John T.

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Mr. and Mrs. James Lee and Jessica spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. George Lee, Sr. in Loraine.

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Mr. and Mrs. Phil Noble of Lubbock spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Clara Phillips.

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The Wilson High School varsity boys basketball team won Consolation in the O'Donnell tournament last weekend.

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School was dismissed.

Wednesday, December 21, for the Christmas holidays, and will resume January 3rd.

Birthday, Anniversary Calendar

Dec. 22: Mr. and Mrs. Don Morton, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Lichey, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Daniell, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Rice.
Dec. 23: Brent Brieger.

Dec. 24: Wilbert Wuensche.
Dec. 25: Mr. and Mrs. Carl Herzog, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cummings.

Dec. 27: Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Meador, Angie Trevino, Rev. and Mrs. E. K. Shepherd.
Dec. 28: Vera Mendez, Carolyn Day, Mr. and Mrs. David Savell, Michael Bednarz.

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Christmas tranquility

holds a message for all of us.

In the midst of this season

we take time to appreciate and be grateful. And as we pause, one thing

comes to mind...how much we value

your friendly support!



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AROUND TOWN

By Leona Waldrip

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On Monday of last week, Mrs. Eunice Tolleson was notified of the death of her sister, Carria McKay of

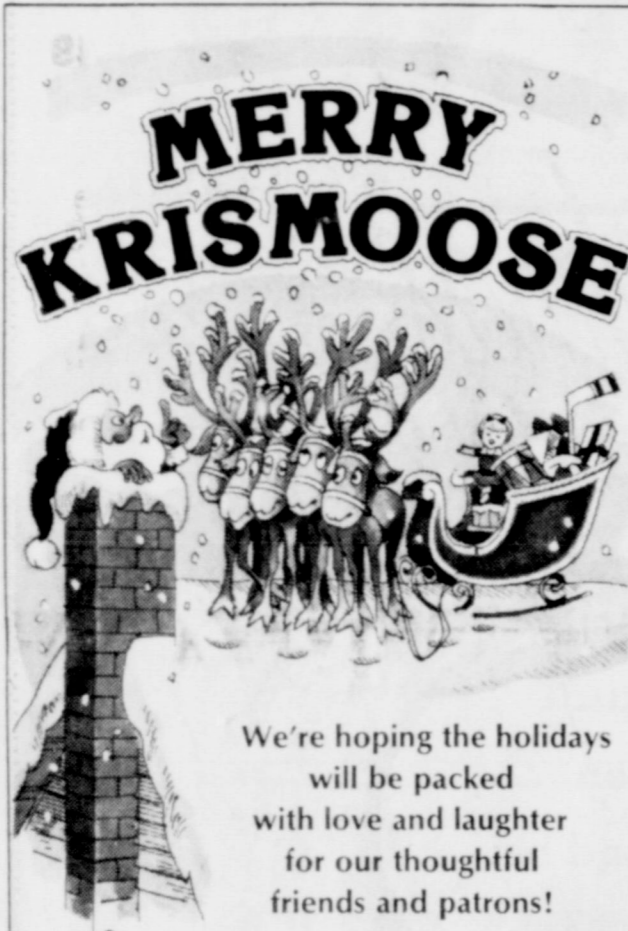
Palmdale, California. Having visited there in October, Mrs. Tolleson was unable to make the trip back



Santa arrives to say we wish you joy in every way!

Thank you for everything.

AMS Blacksmith



We're hoping the holidays will be packed with love and laughter for our thoughtful friends and patrons!

James Fenton Fertilizer

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Greetings

To you — the merriment that comes with trimming the tree, waiting for Santa, opening his gifts. To you — a holiday season bright with good cheer and warm with good fellowship. And to you, our sincere and hearty thanks for your patronage.

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Lynn County News

for funeral services. Mrs. McKay was the oldest of the seventeen children of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Craig, who lived in Lynn County for many years, being farmers in the New Lynn and Grassland communities. The other sixteen children are still living.

Recent visitors in the home of Mrs. Mary Edna Lancaster were Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hartman and Mrs. Gale Hartman and family of Snyder. Mrs. Hartman is her granddaughter.

At the regular meeting of the Draw Home Demonstration Club on Tuesday, there were eleven members, one visitor, and Agent Sherry Etheredge present.

Mrs. E. B. Gaither was hostess and a short Christmas program included the reading of the Christmas story and singing of carols.

Names were drawn and gifts were presented. Each one had brought Christmas "goodies" to be shared with others, and the hostess served punch and coffee.

Next regular meeting will be January 10 when new officers will assume their duties.

Rebekah Lodge No. 209 had a Christmas supper on Tuesday night at the close of the regular meeting. Members did not exchange gifts, but brought food items, including a turkey, and some personal gifts for a needy family. This was delivered at the close of the meeting.

There were fifteen members present.

Mrs. Thelma Dewbre was hostess for the Past Noble Grand Club on Thursday night.

Eight members brought covered dishes for the meal, and afterwards, secret pals were revealed as gifts were exchanged.

New officers will be installed at the January meeting, to be held in the home of Louise Wyatt.

Thirty-four persons attended Friday's Lynn County Pioneer Club's noon luncheon, in spite of the sandstorm, at which time Mrs. Lois Weathers, Zella Taylor, and Eunice Tolleson were hostesses.

The Center was decorated with the traditional tree, with all decorations being made in the crafts department.

Following the meal, Mrs. K. R. Durham read the second chapter of Luke, and Doctor Durham led the prayer. Leona Waldrip read "Why December 25th," and Cordia Swann read "When Pop Played Santa Claus." Names were drawn and each

one presented the gift he had brought, to the person whose name he drew.

The December birthday party will be on December 30th at 2 p.m. There are five birthdays to celebrate, and everyone is invited.

Next regular noon luncheon will be January 6th.

Mrs. Rutha Tilley was hostess to the "88 Club" on Friday night. Six persons were present.

Mrs. Teddie Kelley spent Saturday night and Sunday with her sisters in O'Donnell.

Pastor of First Baptist Church, Jim Turner, was called to Anson to conduct a funeral on Sunday afternoon for a former member.

Music director Morris Johnston conducted services in his absence. Randy Williams of Lubbock led song services and rendered special music.



FIVE TAHOKA WOMEN recently completed the South Plains Homemaker Service and Texas Tech University College of Home Economics training program to provide in-home care service to the elderly and disabled. Left to right are Evelyn Burr, Mary Barrientez, Rosa Benavides, Dixie Newsom and Leo Dulin, coordinator of the Tahoka group.

DPS Issues Holiday Safety Tips

Christmas and New Year holidays should be a time for fun and happiness. For many Texans, it will mean pain, anguish, and possibly death. Major C. W. Bell, Regional Commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety, said, "The greatest killer of persons on the highways of Texas this holiday season will be the inattentive, the impatient, and the drunk driver."

Major Bell said, "Alcohol

is the biggest highway killer during the Christmas-New Year holiday." Bell reminds the motoring public that "alcohol is not a stimulant," but a depressant. Even small amounts of alcohol tends to reduce judgment, self-control, and driving ability. Coffee will not offset the effects of alcohol; only time can eliminate it from the blood stream. It takes at least one hour to oxidize one ounce of alcohol. The motorist does not have to be obviously intoxicated to be under the influence in order to become an unsafe driver.

Many accidents in Texas will be classified as one-car run-off-the-road type. This means for some reason, be it highway hypnosis, driver inattentiveness, alcohol, drugs or mental-state, a driver loses control of his vehicle. Most of this could be avoided if the driver follows the most elementary rules of the road. Stop and rest 10 minutes out of every hour driving time. Keep your head and eyes moving at all times, and if you are going to drink, don't drive.

In an effort to reduce the expected death toll, Major Bell said, "The DPS and local law enforcement officers will be out in full force during the holidays. Also, in cooperation with local agencies and the news media of Texas, the DPS will conduct special tabulations on fatal accidents. These fatality tabulations will be issued three times daily in an effort to focus maximum public attention on the traffic accident problem."

The Texas Department of Public Safety is encouraging all motorists to drive with their low-beam headlights on during daylight hours, as well as at night. This program is called "Light the Way for a Safe Holiday." It is the Department's belief that most motorists do not intentionally violate the law, and need only to be reminded that holiday periods are more dangerous.

Remember, Christmas

a Christmas Message
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GREETINGS
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CHRISTMAS
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and New Year's is a season of joy, goodwill, and happiness. Don't let an accident ruin your holiday. Our streets and highways can be safe, if the motoring public will think safe driving and drive defensively.

An Open House was held Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m. honoring Mr. and Mrs. Herman Heck on their 50th wedding anniversary.

They live at 1318 82nd Street in Lubbock, and were

married in Winters December 9, 1927, and moved from Tahoka to Lubbock in 1960.

He was manager of Shamberger-Gee Lumber and she was a music teacher when they lived in Tahoka.

Hostesses for the Open House were the couple's daughters, Miss June Hess of Iraan, and Mrs. Earl Dean of Lubbock. There are two grandchildren.

The planet Uranus never any warmer than minus degrees Fahrenheit.

MERRY CHRISTMAS
Have a bell ringing holiday! And thank you for being such good friends.
Jimmy B. Wright
Attorney At Law

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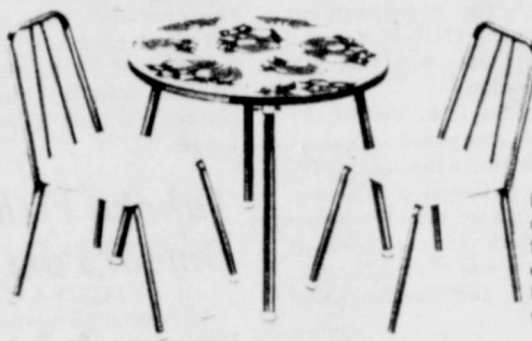


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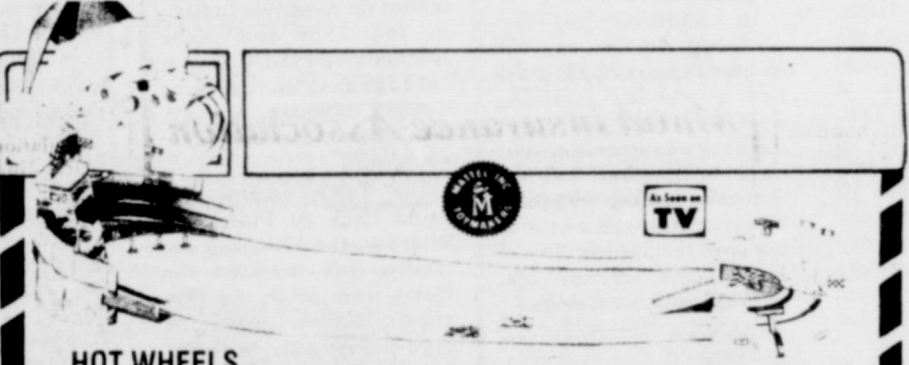
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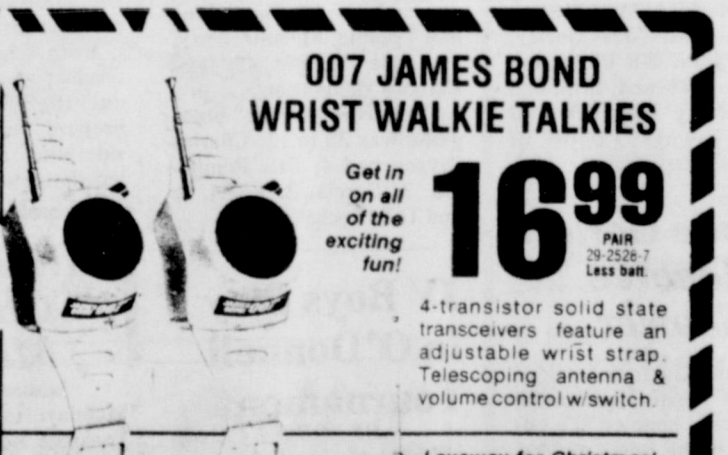
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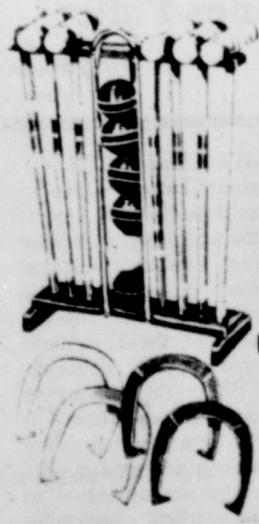
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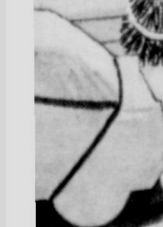
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That" and a Mickey Mouse phone. We have been good this year. Hope you have a nice trip.

Love,
Tracye Scott - 6
Trent Scott - 1 1/2

Dear Santa,
My sister and I have been pretty good kids sometimes. Would you bring my sister a walking doll and a cash register full of money. And bring me an electric train and a football.

Thank you. We will have milk and cookies waiting for you.

Love,
Dallas & Eden Williams
P.S. Please bring Joe the bread man that special doll he wants. Thanks again.

Box 912
Tahoka, Tex.
Dec. 13, 1977

Dear Santa,
I am in the third grade and I have been a good boy. Please bring me a chemistry set, organ, and a pair of boots.

I will leave you some cookies and coffee.

Love,
Timmy Jolly

Dear Santa,
I am 3 years old and I have been just fair, but with good intentions. I want for Christmas a motorcycle (tred in color), Kenny Stabler doll, wheels, and please bring a doll for my sister. Merry Christmas to all.

Adam

Box 1455
Tahoka, Tex.
Dec. 13, 1977

Dear Santa,
I am in the third grade. Please bring me a tape recorder and digital watch. I will leave you some cookies and milk.

Love,
Dawn Teaff

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a table and chair set when you come to my house. Would you also bring me a happy doll. I have been trying my best to be good.

Love you,
Amy Holland
P.S. Bring me a surprise too!

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing this year? Fine I hope. My name

is Davy. I want a digital watch and a pair of walkie-talkies, and a mighty moe truck. I am 10 years old. My little brother, Ricky, is 7 years old. He wants a digital wrist watch also and a cowboy suit and a gun.

We hope you have a merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.

Love,
Davy and Ricky Saldana

Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle for Christmas. I guess that's all.

My brother wants a little bicycle, a big guitar, and a stretch monster.

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Dear Santa,
I am in the third grade. Please bring me a bike and a basketball. I will leave you some cookies and milk.

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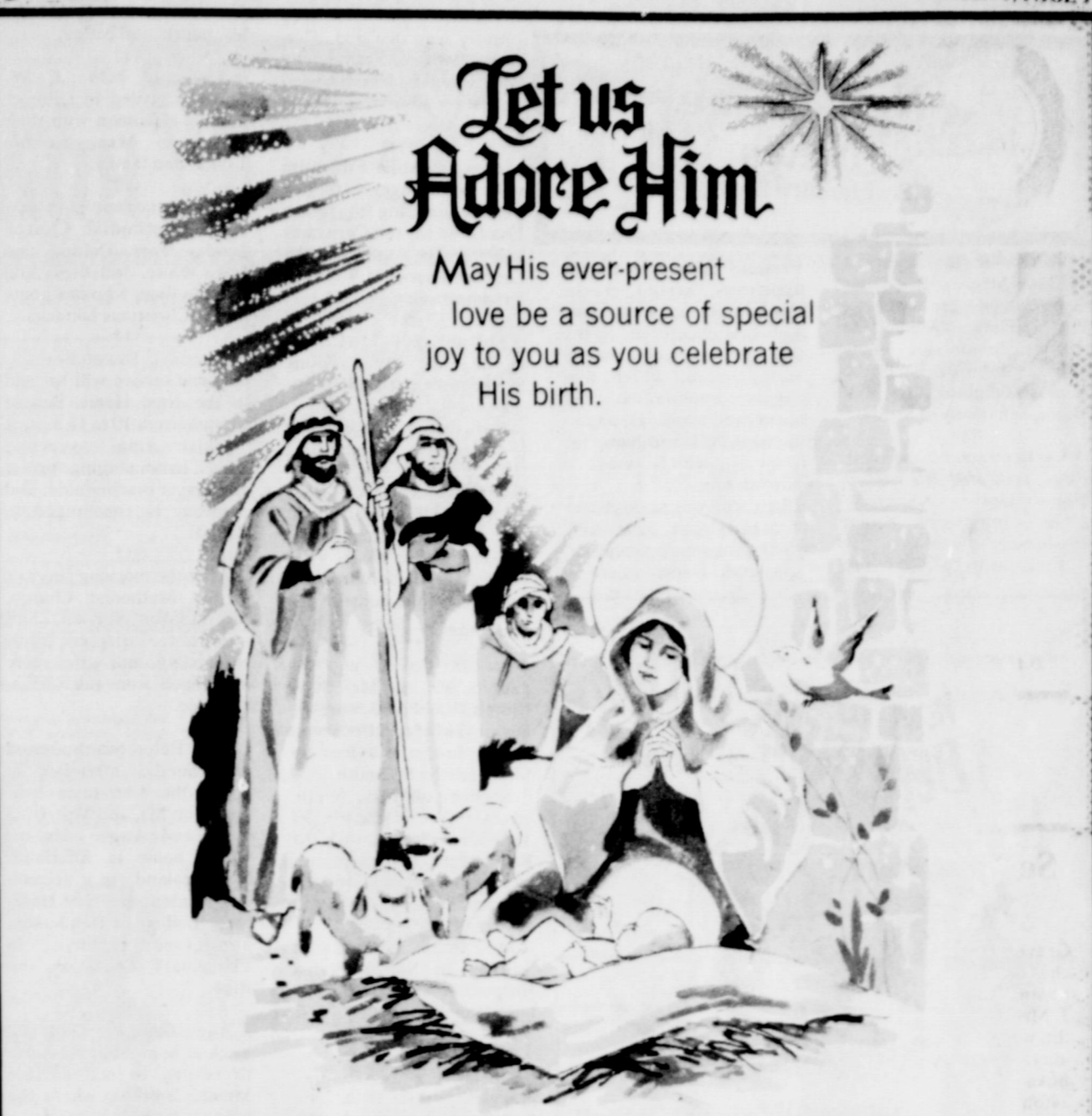
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New Home News

By Florence Davies

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Morris last weekend were her uncle, R. C. Daniels, of Albany; his cousins, Junior and Jimmy Morris, Sherman; and the Morris' daughter, Mrs. Jim Dulin, and family of Slaton.

Eighteen youths and three class sponsors from New Home Baptist Church enjoyed a progressive dinner Wednesday evening.

Freddie Kieth home for appetizers, served in the German theme with sausages and cheese, on to the Don McBrayer home for the main course, which was cheese enchiladas, red beans, and tostadas; and to the Sam Pridmore home for dessert, which was a yule-log cake.

Last stop was at the home of Stanley and Julia Gill, where gifts were opened.

In each home, where a

country was depicted, Germany, Mexico, France, and America, games were played practicing some tradition of that country.

Mrs. Bobbie Fillingim went to Harlingen early last Sunday morning to return Lisa home for the Christmas holidays. They arrived at the Lubbock airport at 9 o'clock Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Ball of El Paso were visiting friends here last week.

Rev. Reta Richards' drove to Muleshoe Friday morning to visit her brother, Horton Griffin, and her sister, Mrs. Johnie Westbrook, and at 10 a.m. Saturday, attended the wedding of her niece, Vicki Griffin, and Donald Brown of Amarillo, in the home of the bride.

Joe D. Unfred and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Unfred, Lubbock, were in Sudan Tuesday, December 13, for funeral services for Mrs. Jerusha M. Smith.

Services for Mrs. Smith, age 83, were in the United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Kerry Hurst, pastor, officiating, assisted by Art Lynch, minister of the Sudan Church of Christ.

Mrs. Smith died at 11 a.m. Sunday in South Plains Hospital in Amherst, following a long illness.

Sunday evening, December 18, a Christmas program, "How Great His Love," was presented by the children in New Home Baptist Church.

The story of the birth of Christ was beautifully portrayed in poetry and songs, narrated by Mrs. Freddie Kieth, with Mrs. Glenn Kreger at the piano.

A fellowship hour followed. Mrs. Leo Cole and Lori provided the refreshments of home-made good-

ies, punch, and coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Edwards visited in Lubbock Sunday afternoon with their daughter, Mrs. Bobbie Taylor, and family.

Among the visitors in New Home Methodist Church Sunday were Debbie and Mike White, and Ricky and Camille Rice, who are home for the Christmas holidays.

Sunday, December 25, only one service will be held in the New Home Baptist Church, from 10 to 11 a.m. A "praise sing" service, carols, hymn singing, praise and prayer is scheduled, and everyone is encouraged to attend.

After the morning services in the Methodist Church, dinner was served, and afterward, Christmas carols were sung and gifts were exchanged from the Christmas tree.

Miss Helen Smith arrived here Sunday afternoon to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Glen Gray and Angie. Helen, whose home is Auckland, New Zealand, is a second-year student in Freed-Hardeman College in Henderson, Tennessee, majoring in Elementary Education and Bible.

Angie Gray was ill all last week at home, but was able to return to school this Monday morning where she is a fourth-grade student.

Others reported ill last week were Mrs. G. B. Mayfield, and Hiram Sharp.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Taylor and children of Follett, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Howle, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry McNeely, and Stanley and Sherry McNeely.

Natalie Unfred entertained with a Christmas Coffee on Monday, December 12, in her home, and guests were women from Lakeview and New Home.

Out-of-town guests were from Earth, Lubbock, Plainview, and Midland. Members of the house-party were Mmes. Jean Nettles, Betty Fillingim, Jo Nettles, and Peggy Morrow. Also, Mrs. Nell Blakney, Ruby Moore, Betty Unfred, Bernice Clem, Margaret Edwards, Wanda Gill, and Nena Bailey.

Chandler Family Has Get-Together

Mrs. Cassie Chandler of Tahoka had a family gathering on Sunday, December 18, at the Tahoka Community Center which included forty-six people from throughout the state.

Mrs. Chandler's five sons, three daughters, eight grandsons, eight great-grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren were present, together with her sister, Mrs. Jewell Roberts.

Guests included Messrs. and Mmes. Darvey Lavender, Leonard Fallin, and Sidney Fallin, all of Lubbock; John Choate, Dallas; John Fallin, Wichita Falls; Kenneth Fallin, Roscoe; E. L. Walker, Corpus Christi; and D. W. McEwen, Bowie.

HOLY NIGHT

We give thanks for the sublime and holy spirit that means Christmas.



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Lynn County News

Letters to 'Santa' Overflow Mailbox

There's something special about Santa Claus in a small southern Indiana town where the famous Christmas legend has become somewhat of an everyday reality.

This town with a population of about 300 year-round residents, and a family of deer, is the jolly old gent's namesake home — Santa Claus, Indiana — as well as the home of his helpers, and the location of his overflowing mailbox.

A unique landmark at Santa Claus is the U.S. Post Office near the intersection of Indiana highways 162 and 245, and next to the entrance to Santa Claus Land.

There is nowhere in the world where you can find a post office like this one. Its architecture is that of a

stone-fronted fairyland castle in design and while the community has but slightly more than 300 year-round residents this post office each year is flooded with about four million pieces of mail. The bulk of all this mail comes around Christmas time to receive the cherished Santa Claus postmark. Still others arrive addressed simply to "Santa Claus, 47579."

Letters addressed to "Santa Claus" represent the tens of thousands of children's "want lists" that foretell visions of Christmas morning, promise cookies and milk, and extend best wishes to Santa, Mrs. Claus, and Rudolph. And, to the delight of children everywhere, all of these letters receive an answer from Santa Claus.



The U.S. Department of Agriculture December 15 announced additional details of the 1978 cotton program, moving farmers closer to the day when they'll have the information needed to make 1978 planting decisions, say officials of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Lubbock.

The announcement, from Deputy Assistant Secretary John White, said there would be no required acreage set-aside for cotton in 1978; set the 1978 National Program Acreage at 10,248,000 acres, and the National Reduction Percentage at 20 percent.

The 20 percent National Reduction Percentage is the amount by which farmers, if they choose on a voluntary basis, can reduce their 1977 cotton acreage in 1978 to assure that all acreage will be eligible for any target price payments that may be made. Those who do not reduce acreage in 1978 will have target price coverage on a percentage of planted acreage determined by an "allocation factor" yet to be determined. With no reduction in acreage these farmers would still have access to Commodity Credit Corporation loans and to disaster payments on all acres planted.

The 10,248,000-acre National Program Acreage is the acreage of cotton the Secretary of Agriculture estimates will be needed in 1978 to supply domestic and export demand and leave a reasonable carryover at the end of the marketing year. Late in the 1978 growing season the Secretary will estimate U.S. cotton acreage for harvest and that figure divided into the National Program Acreage will set the allocation factor for 1978.

Assuming, for example, that estimated 1978 acreage for harvest is 12 million, that figure divided into the National Program Acreage would result in an allocation factor of 85.4 percent. Farmers who did not reduce 1977 plantings would then have target price coverage on 85.4 percent of their 1978 planted acreage.

The target price for 1978 is 52 cents per pound. If the average price paid to all farmers for all cotton in the calendar year 1978 falls below that level, each farmer will be paid the difference.

PCG officials are stressing that the 52-cent target price does not guarantee that all farmers will get that price for their cotton.

"Most High Plains farmers," says PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson, "because of the U.S. average price feature can figure on a guarantee of four cents to as much as eight cents below the target price, depending on the quality and market price of the crop they produce."

This unique practice dates back to the late 1920s when Robert L. Ripley popularized the town by featuring it in an article in his "Believe It Or Not" column. After the article appeared, mail began to mushroom, especially letters addressed to "Santa Claus."

Tourists with children also started to arrive and make visits to the post office with their Christmas mail, following in the steps of Ripley who also sent his Christmas cards through the office here as proof that there was indeed a Santa Claus — as verified by the postmark. For over 40 years, children have met Santa himself, played by Raymond Joseph "Jim" Yellig.

Besides taking up the role of Santa Claus at the Santa Claus Post Office in the early 1930s, Yellig also embarked on a project that now involves much of the community of the Santa Claus, Ind. area. He noticed that the incoming letters were being stored away because there were too many for the postmaster of the day to answer and took part in hand, along with his wife, to make sure children were cared enough about Santa Claus were answered.

"The silent man is the best to listen to." Japanese proverb



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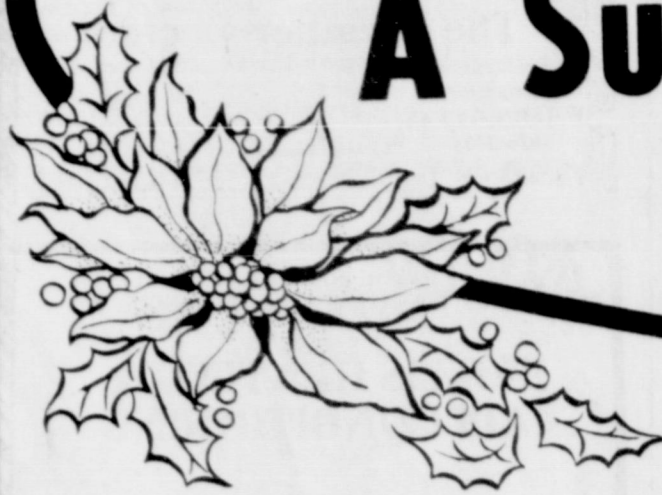
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Italian Foods at Christmas Vary According to Regions

Feasting is an integral part of the Christmas celebration, symbolizing not only rejoicing at the coming of Christ but also, the spirit of sharing and brotherly love which is characteristic of the season. Like so many other aspects of Christmas, it is a blend of Christian and pre-Christian traditions, strongly influenced by local customs.

In Italy the dishes of the Christmas feast vary widely depending on the region. In the north, for example, the meal may begin with cappelletti ("little hats") stuffed with meat or tortellini, a sort of ravioli, followed by a main dish of meat, which may be anything from roast turkey with chestnut stuffing to zampone, a pork sausage packed in a pig's leg smothered with lentils.

In the area around Rome, the traditional dish of Christmas Eve is "capitone," a large female eel, roasted, baked, or fried, following a religious tradition which prescribes a meatless dinner on Christmas Eve, the Vigilia, or Christmas vigil. In accordance with this tradition, the Roman fish market, held the night of December 23rd, is a peculiar feature of the Christmas observance.

In the south of Italy, the feasting usually begins with macaroni with meat and tomato sauce, followed by chicken or meat in jelly.

Tender loving care for thriving poinsettias

Do you know the origin of the lovely plant we have come to identify with Christmas? These colorful plants were first introduced to America in 1825, by Joel Poinsett, then serving as our Ambassador to Mexico, who brought some 16 plants back to his South Carolina greenhouse. He gave them to friends and botanists with greenhouses who nurtured them carefully.

Poinsettias moved out of doors in the early 1900's when a Swiss horticulturist, Albert Ecke, started to raise them in California for local holiday selling. Now we have come to enjoy poinsettias, not only at the Christmas holiday, but all the year round as well. The most popular is the vivid red, but there are white, pink and marbled flowers as handsome and radiant.

Poinsettias need specific care if they are to flourish, but that care is not really complicated. They are happiest kept at room temperature, near a window, in full daylight, but out of drafts. Water when the top soil feels dry to your touch, keeping the soil moist but not wet.

If you decide to move your poinsettia outdoors for the summer, it will need cutting back to help it retain its shape. To encourage a shorter, fuller plant cut it back between the middle of July and the beginning of August, and replot

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1977
in a pot one or two sizes larger than the original, and bring indoors again about Labor Day.

Poinsettias are photo-period sensitive plants that flower in response to the length of the day. Ten hours of daylight and fourteen hours of darkness will start flowers on their way, but the least glimmer of light during the day hours will abort any flowering.

From about October 1 to mid-December, the plant should be in complete darkness from sunset to sunup. It can be put into a closet, in a room that remains dark through those hours, or under a table that is skirted to the floor. If you have a large enough carton available up-end it on the poinsettia to keep light out. Unless the plant is kept in the dark it will not flower.

The colorful bracts that develop from this period will be ample reward for your tender loving care, and will add much excitement to your holiday decor.

The largest discovery of gold was found in 1886 in the Witwatersrand gold field at Johannesburg, South Africa.

Test Yourself With The Christmas Quiz

See how many of these questions about Christmas subjects you can answer. Check answers below and score yourself!

- The distance Mary and Joseph travelled from Nazareth to Bethlehem was approximately:
 - 5 miles
 - 70 miles
 - 20 miles
 - 10 miles
- The origin of the word Noel is:
 - French
 - Spanish
 - German
 - Italian
- The words manger, creche, and crib all have the basic meaning of:
 - a cradle
 - a stable
 - a rack for feeding animals
 - a manger
- The population of Bethlehem at the most recent census was:
 - 25,000
 - 11,500
 - 49,000
 - 10,000
- The Church of the Nativity was originally built by:
 - Roman Catholics
 - the Emperor Constantine
 - Greek Catholics
 - the Emperor Nero
- The actual date of Jesus' birth was:
 - December 25th
 - a date undetermined
 - January 7th
 - January 1st
- Mary and Joseph travelled from Nazareth to Bethlehem because:
 - Mary's home was in Bethlehem
 - The Romans were taking census
 - Joseph had work in Bethlehem
 - Joseph was a carpenter
- Reindeer are found:
 - all around the Arctic Circle
 - only in Northern Europe
 - all over the world
 - only in the United States
- The large-scale conversion of Laplanders to Christianity occurred:
 - in the 19th Century
 - in the year 330
 - in the 17th Century
 - in the 10th Century
- The best source of water in the Nazareth of Jesus' time was:
 - Mary's Well
 - the Mediterranean Sea
 - a Roman aqueduct
 - a natural spring

ANSWERS: 1-b, 2-a, 3-a, 4-b, 5-b, 6-b, 7-b, 8-c, 9-c, 10-c
SCORING: 8 or better is excellent — go to the head of the class! 5 to 7 is average. Less than 5 — return one Christmas present!

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Holiday GREETINGS
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Greeting cards have colorful, historic sources

Each year researchers come up with more and more fascinating information about the origins of Christmas and New Year greetings.

Greeting cards are usually made of stiff paper or cardboard, but cloth, vellum, leather, celluloid, metal, wood, cork, and new materials have been added to their designs. Cards and their messages vary in size. In 1929 an inscribed grain of rice was presented as a Christmas greeting to the Prince of Wales, and in 1924, President Calvin Coolidge received a Christmas card that measured 3 1/2 x 3 1/2 inches!

In ancient Egypt the New Year was celebrated by the exchange of symbolic presents such as scent bottles and scarabs inscribed "an ab nab" ("all good luck"). The Romans exchanged strenae, originally branches of laurel or olive, often coated with gold leaf. Symbols of seasonal good will, such as a Roman lamp and the figure of Victory surrounded by strenae, were combined on objects of baked clay, with the inscription "Anno Novo faustum felix tibi" ("May the New Year be happy and lucky for you"), the acknowledgment of the New Year with the exchanges of good will continued in Europe through the early days of Christianity.

In the 15th century, master wood engravers produced described prints which had the same intent as the modern Christmas and New Year cards. One of these shows the Christ Child with halo, before a cross holding a scroll on which appears "Ein gust selig lor" ("A good and happy year"). During the 18th and early 19th centuries, copper plate engravers were producing prints and calendars for the New Year and greetings by merchants and tradesmen were common.

Recognized as the first Christmas card is one designed in England by J. C. Horsley, in 1843 for his friend Sir Henry Cole. An edition of 1,000 copies was placed on sale

Carols and Candles

Carols and candles bring added spirit and luster to Christmas.

The word "carol" comes from the middle English carolen, meaning "to sing joyously." The majority of our most familiar carols date from the nineteenth century. Some researchers believe that carol singing could be a carryover from the Roman songs of the Saturnalia. Francis Scott Key, noted lawyer and author of The Star Spangled Banner, also wrote carols. It is little known that the comedian Harpo Marx, of the famous Marx Brothers, also authored a popular Christmas carol.

Caroling on Christmas Eve is a tradition brought to America by our English forbears, that delights us all at holiday time.

CANDLES — Special lighting effects as we now know them, elaborate and colorful at Christmas, started with the romantic glow of holiday candles. Placing lighted candles in the window on Christmas eve is believed to have started in Boston. There are elaborate electric light shows in almost all large American cities, but candles still sell in the millions, showing that Americans enjoy their soft glow and associations.

It was noted by one of the manufacturers of these Christmas cards, that whenever there is turmoil or a revolution in a foreign country, the sales in that language soar. Since type faces in some languages are unavailable, many of the exotic messages are photographed from the originals. In the case of some Chinese messages, a waiter in a Chinese restaurant who is also an artist, wrote the greetings on a piece of paper from which they were photographed and reproduced.

Head To Toe Beauty Hints For A Special Radiant Holiday Look

You'll surely want to look your best for the holidays! Here are a few tips to help you look radiant and glowing from start to finish.

- * Splash or spray your favorite eau de cologne on the nape of your neck, wrists and other body pulse points. You'll create your own aura of fragrance.
- * After your tub massage baby oil into your skin with a dab of cotton. The excess oil can be blotted off with a tissue moistened with toilet water.
- * You'll feel relaxed and refreshed after a "ring day" if you take a few minutes to lie down with your feet higher than the rest of your body.
- * While you're lying down reviving your skin for a fun evening, place thin slices of cucumber on your eyelids. Your eyes will feel marvelously refreshed.
- * A handful of oatmeal mixed with just enough water to make a paste, is a natural, effective skin cleanser. Spread on your neck and face and let dry. Wash off after 10-15 minutes, then rinse with cool water.
- * Using a pale beige cream or cream stick to cover under-eye circles will brighten your face noticeably. After applying, pat the area gently with your fingertip for a more natural look.

Lavish Feast

At Christmas, in the year 1492, when Columbus was spending his day in the New World, King Henry VII gave one of his most sumptuous feasts. The King (1485-1509), the Queen and members of the court dined on no less than 120 different dishes — with peacock as its climax! He observed holiday customs lavishly, to say the least, serving among the many delicacies a popular dish called "frumenty," spiced by adding sugar and spices to boiling hulled wheat.

Caroling on Christmas Eve is a tradition brought to America by our English forbears, that delights us all at holiday time.

CHRISTMAS BIRD FEEDER

Those of you who are kind to our fine, feathered friends all year 'round will want to add some extra holiday fare to your bird feeder. Cranberries and popcorn make a special treat as do small boxes of suet and seed.


Decorating a small tree near your house will provide color for you, and nourishment for the birds. Here are a few suggestions for decorating your bird tree:

GREETINGS

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Holiday Cheer

Joy is not in things, it is in us.

Wagner

Cheerfulness and content are great beautifiers, and are famous preservers of youthful looks.

Dickens

We do not know how cheap the seeds of happiness are, or we should scatter them oftener.

Lowell

What signifies wishing and hoping for better times? We may make these times better if we bestir ourselves.

Franklin

You were made for enjoyment, and the world was filled with things which you will enjoy, unless you are too proud to be pleased by them, or too grasping to care for what you cannot turn to other account than mere delight.

Ruskin

Every day that is born into the world comes like a burst of music, and rings itself all the day through; and thou shalt make of it a dance, a dirge, or a life march, as thou wilt.

St. Francis de Sales

Calorie Counts to Help You Through the Holidays

With so many goodies surrounding us at holiday time, who wants to diet? It can be a bore! However, a little careful planning can keep you full and happy, and your waistline from expanding. We offer a few hints to help you beat "the battle of the bulge."

Calorie count is in parentheses:

6 shrimp (90) . . . 3 1/2 ounces white wine and soda (85)
 . . . 5 artichoke hearts (55) . . . 10 pretzel sticks (30) . . .
 2 stuffed green olives (15) . . . 6 oysters (65) . . . 1 slice
 pumpnickel (80) . . . 1 nectarine (30) . . . 2 ounces rare
 roast beef (95) . . . 8 small gumdrops (35) . . . 1 teaspoon
 caviar (25) . . . 1 stalk celery (5) . . . 1 good slice calves
 liver (75) . . . 1 8 oz. glass milk (160) . . . 1 good slice calves
 cracker (20) . . . 1 Wheat Thin (10) . . . water, try a quart
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HAPPY HOLIDAY!

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A December day is all the more beautiful in remembering . . .

Thinking of you and wishing you every happiness at Christmas.

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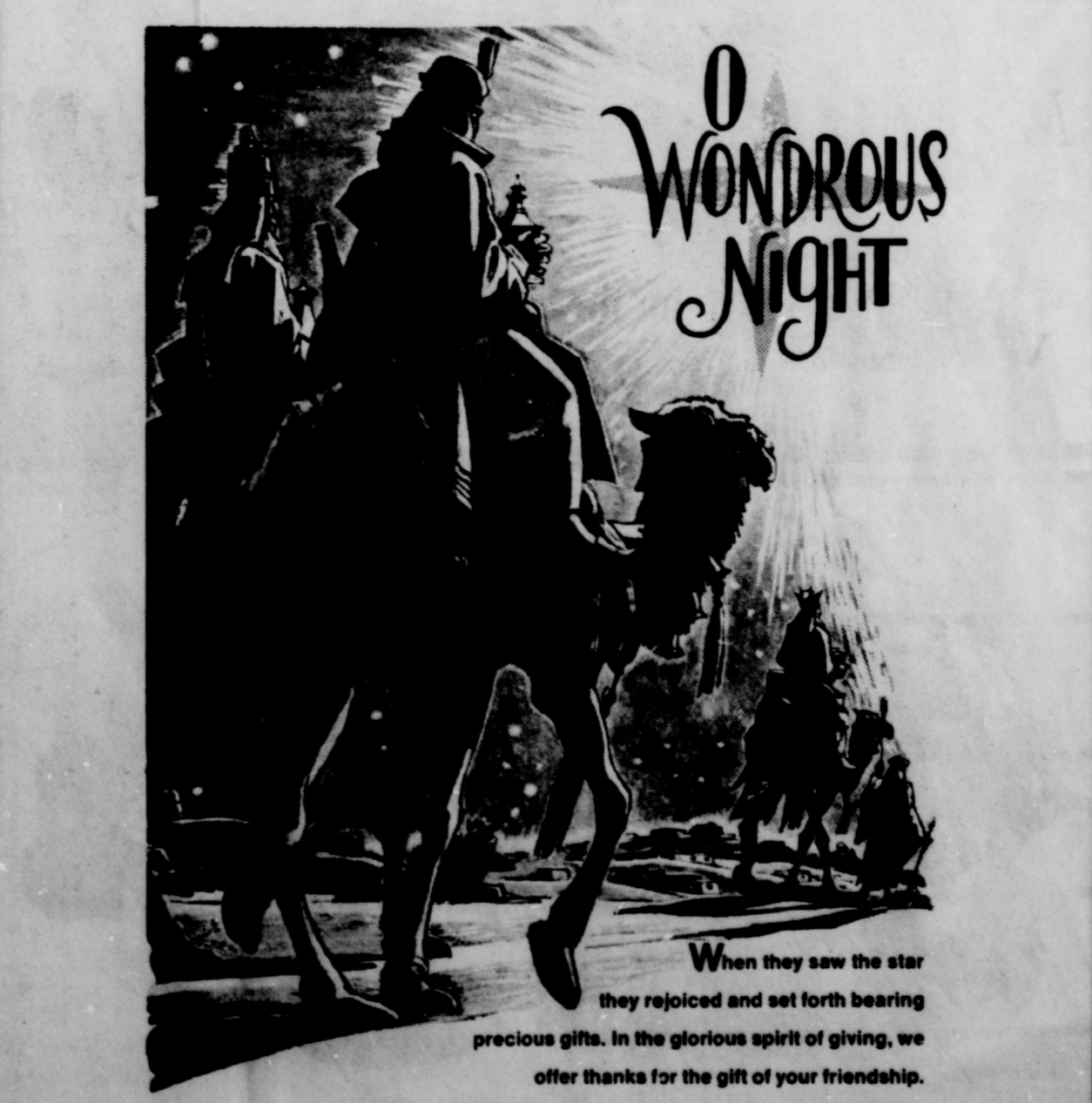
Christmas Gesture
 Robert Louis Stevenson (1850-1894), author of "Treasure Island" and "Kidnapped," was born on November 13 but "gave" his birthday to a girl born on Christmas Day. Stevenson made a gift of his birthday to a child named Annie H. He, to let her have "two joyous celebrations a year, with a proper birthday and a Merry Christmas."

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 By
 Dayton Parker
PARKER PHARMACY

Federal law requires your pharmacist to preserve the original of any of your prescriptions that call for what the law describes as "controlled substances" . . . (narcotics, depressants or stimulant drugs.) Also included in this area are any drugs that are unsafe for self-medication, due to potential toxicity or harmful effect, and any new drugs that have not been shown safe for self-medication.

Can you require a pharmacist to refill a prescription? Not always. Federal law dictates that a prescription containing certain narcotics may not be refilled without a new prescription, each time, from the physician. However, if the prescription contains some "exempt" narcotic — such as codeine used in cough syrups — it may be refilled as long as the quantity does not exceed legal limits.

O WONDROUS NIGHT



When they saw the star they rejoiced and set forth bearing precious gifts. In the glorious spirit of giving, we offer thanks for the gift of your friendship.

RIM ROCK SUPERMARKET

The world's largest swimming pool is in Casablanca, Morocco. It measures 1,575 feet by 246 feet. Bibb lettuce was not named for its shape but for John Bibb, a Kentucky farmer who developed it in his garden.



Hi at Christmas

We take pride in our many satisfied customers and want to express our appreciation for their continuing trust and confidence.

NEW HOME TEXACO
924-7519

The Miracle of Christmas

The merry rejoicing at Christmas, celebrating the Birth of Christ, seeks to recapture the glory and wonder of the Nativity. People everywhere come together in warmth and goodwill, recalling the Source of the Spirit that binds them together.

Although Christmas is celebrated all over the world, it is not really known whether or not Jesus, as a boy, ever had a birthday party. Jews of His time did not celebrate birthdays... such observances were for kings and other important people, who lived in palaces. With or without birthday parties, Jesus had an enchanted childhood, so say the legends.

One such story says He made mud-pie birds one rainy day, and as He finished them, they flew away. For having bowed down to give its fruit to His Holy Mother, Jesus rewarded a palm tree by having a cutting of it planted in Paradise.

The Magic of Christmas is happily contagious, transforming the world in an atmosphere of brotherhood and anticipation. Its magic brings families together, inspires a spirit of generosity and giving, and fills the heart with a heady lightheartedness long remembered from one's childhood.

For it is in childhood that the magic of the Yuletide is felt most keenly. The air quivers with excitement and the promise of things to come. Pungent smells fill the house and little ones can hardly sleep, for listening to the furtive sounds of mom and dad tiptoeing and whispering and wrapping, far into the night.


An old French proverb says "Miracles happen only to those who believe in them." Surely, we can all believe! Surely we can reinforce our faith in miracles!



The first modern submarine was developed by John Holland in 1900.

Christmas Fare

Wishing you thick slices of merriment and a soufflé of happy memories, served with our thanks and appreciation.



TEJEDA CAFE
Rudy & Mercy
Tom & Sylvia - Jr. & Mary

Sincerest holiday wishes with many thanks for your valued patronage.



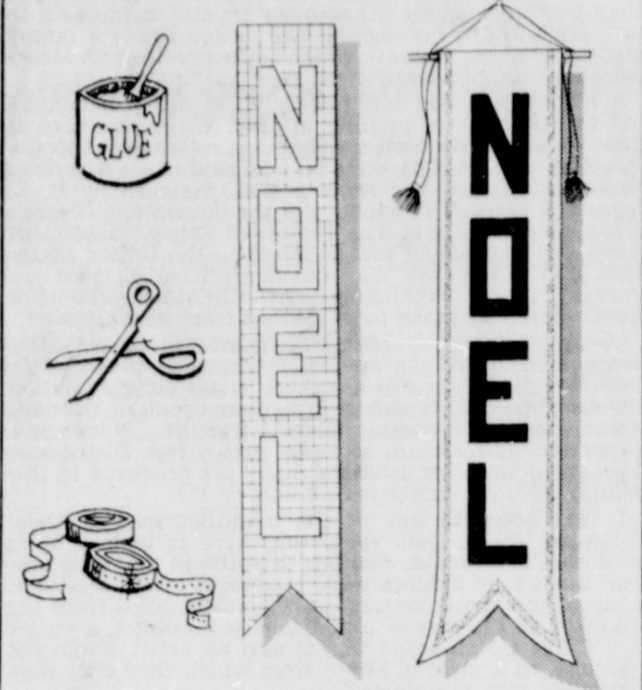
Proctor & Bragg BARBER SHOP

With pride and gratitude for the loyalty you have shown, we extend our sincerest wishes that you and yours enjoy

A Merry Christmas



LOUDER GIN
C. T. LOUDER



Make a Noel Pennant to give... or to keep

Most every neighborhood has a "boutique"... a special gift department or small shop that carries unusual and expensive gifts. As you wander through them you'll see many choice items that can be duplicated easily and less expensively at home. The Noel pennant illustrated is one of the many things you can put together. Directions for this unusual present are below!

- NOEL PENNANT**
- Supplies: Length of colored felt - 8" x 50"
 - 10 inch wooden dowel
 - Gold spray paint
 - 2 1/2 yards gold and white ribbon about 3/8" wide
 - 3 1/2 yards gold braid about 1/4 inch wide
 - Glue

Making sure that all the edges of the felt are straight and even, cut notched end of pennant by making a pencil mark 4 inches from one end and 4 inches from side edge. Draw diagonal lines from pencil mark to each corner. Cut along lines.

Each square on chart is 1 inch. The first letter starts 3 1/2 inches below top edge and is 1 1/2 inches from sides of pennant. Outline each letter with chalk following measurements on chart as guide. Allowing 1/2 inch for folding under the cut ends, cut a length of ribbon for each section of the first letter. Fold under 1/4 inch at both ends of each piece and glue; then glue ribbon in place, following chalk outlines. Continue this way until all letters have been glued onto pennant.

Measure 2 inches down from top edge for hem. Starting across base of hem, glue the braid around edges of pennant.

Spray dowel with gold paint. Fold hem over dowel when paint is dry and glue hem securely. Tie a length of gold braid, approximately 16 inches long, to ends of dowel for hanging.

You can vary the designs, colors and letters on the Noel pennant. Short names like Amy, Eric, Mary and Jon will turn the Noel pennant into a personalized gift.

In old China a registry was kept listing all the local gods incarnate.

The Legend of Befana

Families of Italian origin are familiar with Befana. In these days of woman's lib, it is interesting to hear about this legendary lady.

When the Three Kings were on their search for the Holy Child, they passed the house of Befana as she was sweeping and cleaning her house. In answer to her inquiry, they told her of their search. She asked to go with them, but they continued on their way without waiting for her to finish her chores. When Befana tried to overtake them she failed, and so was unable to worship the Holy Babe with them.

Since then, the woman Befana wanders the earth seeking her lost opportunity. Italian children believe Befana rides through the air on a broomstick, on the eve of January 6, which marks the Feast of Kings, still seeking the Christ Child. She goes down chimneys, leaving presents for the girls and boys, as the Wise Men brought gifts to the Holy Child.

In Russia, the same custom was once familiar, though the lady there was known as Baboushka.



A partridge... a pear tree... a sincere wish for your happiness... all sure signs pointing to a

Merry Christmas to All

Retha's Beauty Shop
Phone 998-4298

IDEAL TREE FOR SMALL APARTMENTS

Apartment dwellers with limited space will welcome the Norfolk Island pine, a natural mini-Christmas tree, that is a charming houseplant all year as well. It requires a little water about twice a week and flourishes in full sun through the winter. Trimmed with tiny ornaments it is lovely, indeed. To keep the branches from sagging hang the trimmings in a bit from the branch ends.

Tea has twice as many calories as coffee—two as compared to one.

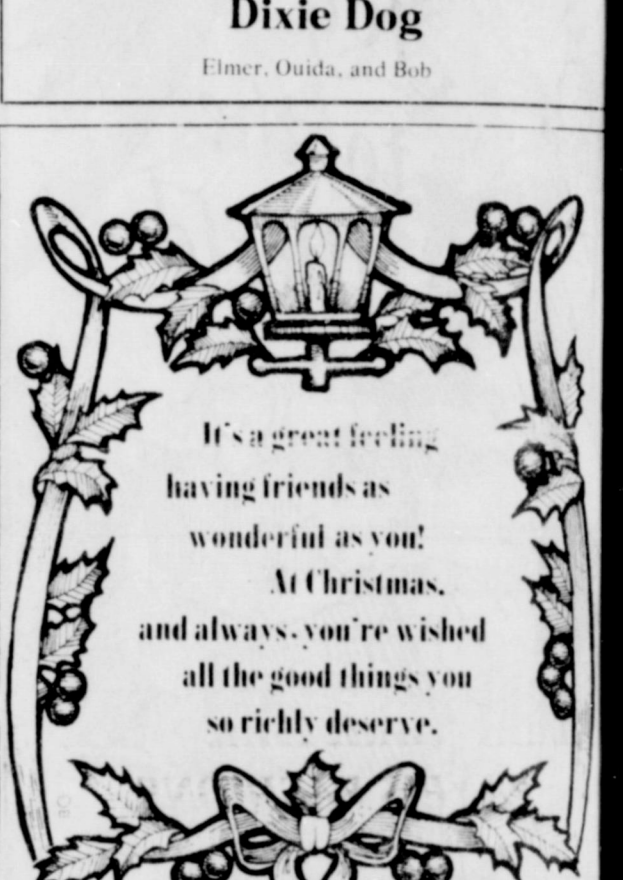
MERRY CHRISTMAS

We join Frosty in extending warmest thoughts and best wishes for a wonderful holiday from beginning to end.



Dixie Dog
Elmer, Ouida, and Bob

It's a great feeling having friends as wonderful as you! At Christmas, and always, you're wished all the good things you so richly deserve.



GRASSLAND BUTANE
Carlos, Jeanette & Mike

THE JOYS OF CHRISTMAS

May Christmas bring friends to your fireside and peace to your home. In the glow of your friendship we extend sincere thanks.



Texas Pellet Products
New Home 806/924-7341

Christmas Greetings

May a wreath of happiness and love encircle you and your family. Thanks for your loyal friendship.



E. L. & Dink Short

For Your Christmas Shopping Convenience

The Following Tahoka Merchants Will Be Open Until 9 P.M. Thursdays, December 1, 8, 15, and 22.

Jersey Lilly Knife & China	Perry Bros. Variety Fabric Place
Bray Chevrolet	The Plant Place
Little Mister & Miss Shoppe	Tahoka Food Mart
Western Auto	Whitaker Hardware
Tahoka Department Store	Togs and Curls
Stice Refrigeration	Jennings of Tahoka
Tahoka Drug	Parker Pharmacy
Sentry Shoes	
Plainsman TV	

THURSDAY, DEC 22, 1972

Legend

These strange shells tell Christ's suffering story. The Easter in the center

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Greetings a Christmas decorate with fun! Thanks a

Katie
New Home

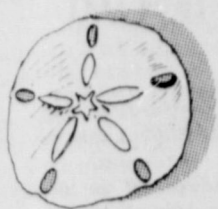
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1977

Legend of the Sand Dollar



These strange and beautiful shells tell the story of Christ's suffering and His glory. The Easter Lily shape at the center of the sand

dollar represents the Star of Bethlehem which guided the shepherds from afar. The five holes represent the five wounds of Christ. On the back the Christmas Poinsettia, in outline, reminds us all of His birthday. Five Doves of Peace and Good Will appear when the shell is broken apart. This fascinating creature from the sea is referred to as The Holy Ghost Shell because of the legend attached to it.

Greetings

Greetings for a Christmas decorated with fun and laughter. Thanks all.

Katie's Country Cupboard
New Home 924-7273

Exultant holiday music fills the air as we sing the praises of our good patrons.

MERRY CHRISTMAS
FAYE'S FASHIONS
O'Donnell

A Story for All Time, The Blessed Birth

"And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn." LUKE 2:7



THE NATIVITY (Center panel of an altarpiece.) Tempera and oil on canvas, transferred from wood. Painted by Gerard David, Flemish artist. The Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Jules S. Bache Collection, 1949.

Christians all over the world give prayerful thanks to God for the miracle of the manger. At Christmas, in church services and in private devotions, they turn again and again to the wondrous story of that Holy Night in a spirit of thanks and humility. They recall the humble shepherds, first witnesses to see and adore Jesus, herald angels singing their divine message, the Star that shone in the East guiding the Wise Men on their royal journey to Bethlehem. The first Christmas lives anew in every word of its sacred and inspiring story. The words echoing across the ages bring comfort and a solemn sense of the meaning of the holiday and its universal message. At services in small churches and grand cathedrals all over the world, midnight masses, vesper services, choir singing, censers exuding clouds of incense, and reverent prayers will celebrate Christmas. Christ's life provided a

lesson for all. His legacy might remain in you, and to mankind is summed up in His words (John 15:11) "These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full. This is my commandment, that ye love one another as I have loved you."

Out, Out, Dratted Spot!

More entertaining means more minor casualties through this festive season. Most spots and stains are easily removed if you really know how to handle them properly. Each process described should be tested on the extra fabric of an inside seam, or a corner of the fabric involved, before attacking the actual stain. In a kit of first aid cleaning agents and tools be sure to include an eyedropper (to measure one drop of liquid at a time), an art gum eraser, magnifying glass, white vinegar, and a soapless shampoo (not meant for hair). Spots are best removed from the wrong side of the fabric, with a paper towel placed beneath them. Move the towel around so the soil comes off on a clean part. Pat dry, do not iron. Remember soap will do more harm than good, it often "sets" the stain. When a chemical has been used, hold spot over a glass of cold water, and pat the

paper and pressed with a warm iron. If spot persists, dilute a little wood alcohol with water and apply. **Ice cream:** Sponge with warm water and let dry. Sponge with carbon tetrachloride. **Lipstick:** Sponge with carbon tetrachloride. **Blood:** Fresh blood stains respond well to a mixture of 2 tablespoons of salt and 1 tablespoon water. If fabric is washable soak in cold water. For white fabric that is not washable use hydrogen peroxide. **Ink:** A solution of table salt and water will remove most fresh ink spots. **Shoe polish and heel marks:** Dampen a clean, soft cloth with a reliable cleaning fluid, kerosene or turpentine and rub gently on reverse side of fabric.

Coffee: For table linens, hold stained fabric taut over a deep basin. (Tie into place.) Put basin into empty bathtub and from as high as possible, pour boiling water directly onto spot until it is removed. Pour slowly and carefully! **Cocoa and chocolate:** As soon as possible sponge with cold water. A paste of Borax and water can be applied to table linens. **Chewing gum:** Rub with ice cube until hard. Scrape as much as possible away. If fabric is linen or cotton texture, put adhesive tape over spot and press down hard. Pull adhesive up quickly while someone else holds the fabric tight. **Candle droppings:** Scrape excess wax away. White wax spots can be put between 2 layers of blotting

Taking Care of Your Holiday Plants

Plants are living gifts. To keep them going for the holidays and after, here are some tips:
Azalea: Keep moist and cool. After flowers fade, cut them back a little. They can summer out-of-doors and should be fed monthly until the early fall.
Christmas Pepper: Keep in full sun with moist soil, but cool. Summer outdoors.
Cyclamen: Keep cool, and in full sun (55° or cooler). Keep soil moist and mist daily. Dry out as flowers fade. Rest in shade outdoors. Growth will be restored in late summer by watering.
Kalanchoe: Keep in full sun allowing the soil to dry out between waterings. Cut back after flowering and rest in shade in summer with infrequent watering.

To start regrowth in late summer, feed and move in to full sun.
Poinsettia: Keep in full sun but out of drafts and keep soil moist. Water deeply until red bracts drop, then reduce watering and cut back. Feed every month and summer outdoors. Prune leggy shoots and bring indoors before first frost. From October 1 to Thanksgiving, keep in complete darkness from sunset to sunrise, to start flowers.

CHRISTMASTIDE
It's our favorite time for saying thank you for your friendship and loyalty and for extending warm wishes to all.

COUNTRY CRAFTS

Happy Holidays

As Christmas bells ring out their symphony of joy, we echo their glad message with wishes for a happy holiday season, for you and those you hold dear.

New Lynn Gin

A Joyous Christmas

Rejoice in the glorious birth of our Savior. Find inner peace and warmth in the true spirit of Christmas. Our gratitude for your kind patronage.

New Home Cooperative Gin
New Home Lakeview

Colorful Wrap-Up Shows Individuality

A gift expresses you as uniquely as the way you sign your name. Your taste, creativity, even your sense of humor combine to make each gift a personal creation.

Wrapping your gifts needn't leave you at loose ends. Here are some basic guidelines for your Christmas wrap-up.

Use a large, flat surface that will hold gift wrap supplies in an area that you can work in undisturbed. If you have a dining table, use it and try to keep inquisitive prowlers away. Gather paper, ribbons, trims, stickers, double sided tape, scissors, and gift tags together before you start.

Before wrapping, cut the paper to the right size. Cut paper wide enough to overlap slightly on girth of package and long enough to overlap again when ends are turned down. Center the gift upside down on cut paper. Turn the overlapping piece under and tape securely. Fasten ends by folding sides in, the top flap down and the bottom flap up. Secure with tape, seals or gift trim.

For odd shaped items such as tricycles, portable televisions, and doll houses, slip them into colored plastic gift bags and dress up with a big bow and candy cane.

For gifts you will be mailing, it is important to double-wrap. To protect your gift, place it in a larger cardboard box surrounded by crumpled newspaper. An inverted box lid will keep the bow from being crushed. When mailing a small, breakable item place it in a well padded metal tin which can then be placed in a padded cardboard shipping box. Wrap the shipping box with decorated parcel post paper and parcel post gift labels. Tie securely with twine or cord, wrapping the twine around the package twice in both directions. Tie twine at each intersection.

Wrap large packages first, then use leftover papers and trims for smaller gifts. Other leftover pieces and scraps can be used for children's crafts, collages.

GREETINGS

The beauty of Nature and the glory of the Yuletide bring a fulfilling sense of wonder, peace and hope to all. It is our pleasure, as we share the majesty of the season, to extend every good wish for your happiness.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

WOOLMAN GIN
O'Donnell, Texas



Dear Santa Claus,
I want a motor bike, and a bike, and I want some play cars, and a play rocket, and a typewriter. And I want a record player. Mary Christmas.
Love,
Chris Tilley

Dear Santa Claus,
I wish for a pet raddit. And Santa Claus I hope you have a happy Christmas. And Santa Claus I love you.
Love Stina Chapa,
Box 598

Dear Santa Claus,
I will get doll that woks, and I love you very very much, and a bike weich Christmas is.
Love
Sylvia Alvarado

Dear Santa Claus,
I wish to have a doll, have a mary Christmas, I want a Baby come bake and blankets I wish you a mary Christmas. I am 7 vers old.
By Shannon Lawson to Santa Claus,
Love forevr
Love, Shannon



Greetings

All of the parts that go into a Merry Christmas... grand gifts... good cheer... warm friendship... youthful excitement... all of these we now wish for you and your family. We have greatly appreciated your patronage. Many thanks, and a Happy Holiday!

Tahoka Auto Supply
Wade, Dude, Charlie, Toy, Amy and Adam



LANKFORD VARIETY

Lynn County News

Tahoka, Texas
Dec. 7, 1977

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me the Baby thataway and a coat.
from Virginia to Santa

Tahok, Texas
Dec. 7, 1977

Dear Santa
I am eight years old. I am in the second grade. Please bring me a Baby alive and a bike.
JoAnn Vega

Tahoka, Texas
Dec. 7, 1977

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a clock. Please bring me a bicycle. And a barbie. Please bring me a kick and go. Please bring me a book. Please bring me roller skates. And Dorothy Hamiton ice skating rink.
Love,
Monica Taylor

Dear Santa,
please bring me a Super size barbie, and roller skates for Christmas. And 10.5 for Mrs. Ash, and 1.5 for Chris. And roller skates for Lisa. And most of all I want every one to be happy and full of love, thank you for what you gave me last year. And give my mommy daddy 95 each.
love
Johnna Phillips

"Life is a jigsaw puzzle with most of the pieces missing."
Anonymous

"The best mirror is a friend's eye."
Gaelic proverb

It's Christmas again and time to say how much it means to have the friendship and good will of folks like you. Accept our sincere thanks and warm wishes for a

Happy Holiday

THE PLANT PLACE
The Jones Murrys

Our Yultide greeting To you this year, Brings every good wish For joy and good cheer!

A MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL.

Wagon Wheel Restaurant
New Home

Tahoka, Texas
Dec. 8 1977

Dear Santa,
Will you plies bring me a bike and a truc an a train, gun.
Gilbert

Tahoka, Texas
Dec. 8, 1977

Dear Santa
Will you please bring me a football and a cowboy hat and a watch and a Tonka car. That is all.
Chris Stice

tahoka, Texas
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Dear Santa,
I am seven years old. I am in the second grade. Please bring me a kiss doll and baby come back and a baby alive.
I love you, Santa
Paula Siller

Dear Santa,
Will you plse bring me a bike and a doll.
Lisa Ewing

Dear Santa Claus,
Sante Claus, I want a car and a bike and a truck, and I wanta sal boat and a racing car. And give me a coloring book. I like Christmas.
Love,
Alonso Bernal

Dear Hi Santa,
I love Santa, Claus, I want a truck. It is Christmas.
Love
R. V. Renfro

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a truck and a tape recorder, tape player and fanze.
Love,
James Antu

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a piano and xylophone. I am 8 years old. Mary Christmas.
Love
Brenda Martinez

Dear Santa Claus,
Hi, I will Santa Claus, Betty want a CB, food. She is mad. I want a Charlie's Angels rel. Have a gud Christmas.
Love,
Jeannie Sandobal
Box 26

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike and a doll and a pet rabbit for Christmas.
Love,
Mary Alice Aleman

Political Calendar

The following people have authorized *The Lynn County News* to announce their candidacy for the respective offices:

State Senator
28th District
Delwin Jones
Lubbock
E. L. Short
Tahoka

U.S. Representative
17th District
A. L. (Dusty) Rhodes
Abilene
Jim Baum
Big Spring
Jim Snowden
Tye
Charles Stenholm
Stamford
Fike Godfrey
Abilene

County Judge
Lynn County
W. B. (Bill) Griffin

County Clerk
Lynn County
C. W. Roberts

Treasurer
Lynn County
Jessie Jewel Stevens

Clerk
106th District
Joy Laws

Commissioner
Precinct 2, Lynn County
J. C. Gandy

Marvin Pierce
Precinct 4, Lynn County
E. R. Blakney
J. T. Miller

\$5,000.00 REWARD

Poka-Lambro Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. hereby offers a Reward of \$5,000.00 Cash for information which results in the arrest and conviction of any person involved in the vandalism and arson to the Aten Exchange unattended dial telephone office near O'Donnell, Texas in Dawson County, on the 4th day of November, 1977.

Such information may be given to Guy Kinnison, Dawson County Sheriff in Lamesa, Texas or to the Manager of Poka-Lambro Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. in Tahoka, Texas.

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Christmas GREETINGS

Remembrance, like a glowing candle, shines brightest at Christmas. We are thinking of you dear friends, and wishing you every happiness.

Tahoka Department Store

Christinnas Greetings

May sleighbells, laughter and the splendor of a snowy countryside bring you happy joys and a memorable Christmas.

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And Employees

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"ALL ABOUT CHRISTMAS"

"It's like the inside of a Christmas stocking," said a delighted teen-ager of the unique gift shop in La Jolla, California, called "All About Christmas!"

The tiny shop, owned and run by Evelyn Killman, is a veritable treasure chest of Christmas delights. All the items displayed are fashioned by craftspeople, from all over the country. When Mrs. Killman first opened the shop most of her merchandise was made by local artisans, however as people in other parts of the United States heard about her venture, samples of handcrafts started to arrive from all over.

The only special requirements asked of these talented people, are that the workmanship be of expert quality and the item something that is associated with the holiday. The shop is busy the year round with tourists and local customers stopping by frequently to see what's new!

There are more different kinds of Christmas stockings than you ever dreamed of! You can order them knitted to order and personalized, a tradition in many families. Knitted stockings and slippers are available from adult sizes down to teeny-weeny ones for new-borns... the latter becoming tree ornaments after baby's first Christmas. There are some made from brightly colored crocheted granny squares.

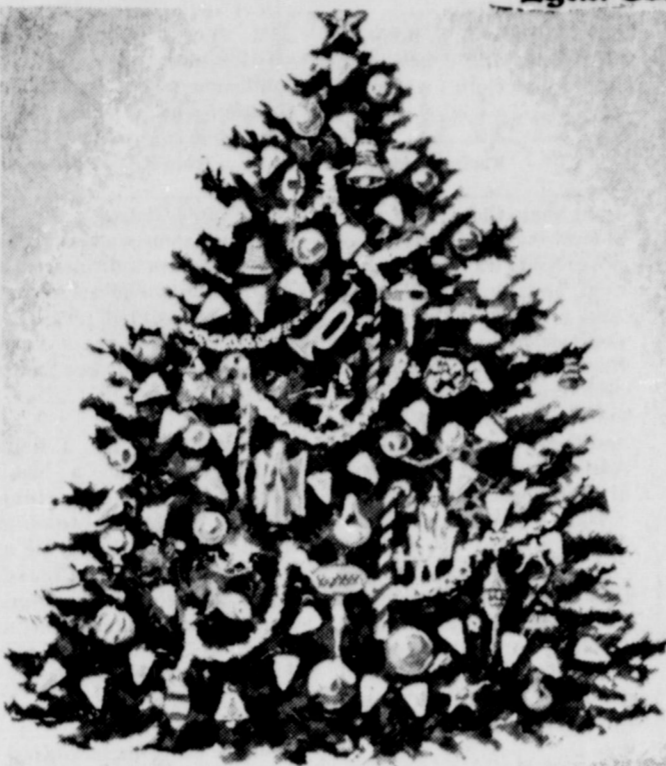
Among the most popular tree ornaments are starfish, angels and Santas made by teen-agers and bread-dough animals, football players and other figures molded by a schoolteacher. Mrs. Killman's mother crochets tiny ball ornaments together into Christmas leis.

There are many items for collectors of mice, owls and bees made from felt, nuts or sea shells, wood, macrame, and painted La Jolla beach stones. Tiny wooden kitchen tools are woven into small macrame hangings, and there are "hide-a-thing" wall plaques with secret compartments. Unique aprons, bean bags, handbags, stuffed dolls and animals, hand puppets cover the walls.

Smooth gourds are scooped out and fashioned into patches with charming faces. You can have your choice of patchwork wrap skirts, handbags, and reversible table mats in exciting patterns and colors. Hand worked petit tree ornaments are unusual and lovely.

Crochet holiday dresses for infants can be ordered without a name embroidered on them. Diaper pin pillows are plump and pretty.

Visiting "All About Christmas" is an experience... its walls covered with bright gifts and the tables and counters jammed to overflowing. They really bedazzle the eye and lift the spirit. Though the shop is holiday oriented Mrs. Killman calls her treasures "Handmade gifts for all seasons and for all reasons."



The Lasting Beauty of A Live Christmas Tree

There are many reasons for choosing a live tree for the holidays. They are beautiful and fragrant. They are ecologically acceptable. They are a wise investment in that they can be planted outside your house once Christmas has become a beautiful memory. Some simple observations when choosing and buying your tree will eliminate the possibility of having it dry out quickly and the danger of fire.

The height of your ceiling and the width of the space the tree will occupy are important measurements to keep in mind when making your purchase. Plan to stand the tree away from a TV set, radiator, heating unit or duct. When selecting the tree test the needles for freshness by bending them back gently. If they spring back they're fresh... if not, beware!

Live trees consume a lot of water so choose a holder with at least a two quart capacity and keep it filled to within an inch of the rim at all times. The stand should have a collar several inches in diameter and screws to hold the tree firmly in place. Chop about an inch off the stump before putting the tree in water.

Trimming the Christmas tree is a celebration all itself! Many families have tree trimming parties for close friends and relatives. But before you get to all the fun make sure you inspect the light strings so there are no frayed ends or exposed wires. Lights can be strung at random or in any pattern your imagination conjures up. Keep larger and heavier lights and trimmings on the lower half of the tree, tapering toward the top.

That added bonus of being able to plant your tree outside your house will keep the spirit of the holidays alive all through the year. The tree can be planted outdoors in either of two ways. Keeping the root ball moist, carefully put the tree in a spot protected from the wind, to be planted in the Spring. If you've had the foresight to dig a hole for your tree before the ground froze, you can plant your tree right after the holidays are over. The dirt from the hole must be kept covered to keep it from freezing also. Once firmly set in the ground you'll be able to enjoy your Christmas tree every season of the year!

A Festive Name

"Merry Christmas" in June? September? It is for a lovely young lady in Sacramento, California, whose name is truly Merry Chere Christmas!

In answer to endless inquiries and as many jokes, this charming young woman never tires of explaining that her name really is Merry Christmas, and is spelled just that way. She is used to people thinking it's funny and the constant teasing, but enjoys the fun of it as much as others.

Miss Christmas, whose fame has spread all over the world, spends a considerable amount of time answering the many people who write her. She starts writing her Christmas cards in September.

Asked about marriage proposals and changing her name, Miss Christmas responded "Well, I've seriously thought about marriage a couple of times, but I was raised the old-fashioned way and I guess I'm looking for an old-fashioned type of person who thinks like I do. I really like the traditional things — like Christmas."

Women's lib endorses green Christmas

For about 35 years both men and women have been sentimentally dreaming of a "White Christmas." The poignant message of Irving Berlin's popular song is dear to us all, at holiday time. However, a Green Christmas is an ancient custom and more universally observed.

At pagan winter festivals in early times, winter flowering plants and evergreens were prized for their promise of the return of the sun and of spring. Holly and ivy are part of that ancient heritage and were extolled in an old Christmas carol "The Holly and the Ivy."

As far back as those ancient pagan games, holly was characterized as masculine, ivy as feminine. At a later date, it was decided that spiny-leaved hollies are "he" and smooth-leaved hollies are "she."

Depending on the kind of holly brought home at the holidays, it was determined whether he or she would be head of the house, the New Year!

Women's libbers will undoubtedly be cornering the market on smooth-leaved holly this happy holiday season!

"He is really wise who is nettled at nothing."

Climate Key to Time of Holy Birth

The evidence that the journey of Mary and Joseph from Nazareth to Bethlehem took place in the dry season, that is, before the onset of winter, depends to some extent on what we know about the climate of Palestine today, which, scholars believe, is not very different from what it was during the time of Jesus.

The annual mean temperature is a pleasant enough 62.8 degrees Fahrenheit, with a range from a high of 112 degrees to a low in winter of only 12 degrees.

While the lowland plains, nearer the Mediterranean Sea, receive heavy rains from November to April, winter in the hills can bring biting frost, bitter winds and even snow.

Nazareth, the city of Jesus, was a town of some note in southern Galilee, near the western edge of the fertile plain of Esdraelon.

This area provides more clues to the time of the journey for scholars who look to the still fertile and well-watered hills of Galilee and into the less favored hill country of Judea, where the cultivation of grains, olives and vines tended to give way to the grazing of sheep, especially in the dry season.

So it can also be assumed that the holy journey was during the dry season by looking to the Bible in which Saint Luke says that in the same country were shepherds looking over their flocks.

WORCESTERED CHEESE CHRISTMAS TREE

- 1 package (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened
- 4 ounces (1 cup) shredded Cheddar cheese
- 1 tablespoon onion powder
- 2 teaspoons original Worcestershire sauce
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts
- 1 roasted red pepper, cut into 1/4" wide strips

In a medium bowl mix together cream cheese, Cheddar cheese, onion powder and Worcestershire sauce until well blended. Stir in nuts. With hands and a small spatula, shape into a cone shape. Make a spiraling ridge from top to bottom. Into ridge, press red pepper strips. Recipe may be doubled or tripled if desired. Serve with crackers. Yield: about 1 1/2 cups.



Sincere Good Wishes

Hoping all the precious things in Life will come to you this Christmas!

Warm thanks.

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Jerry Guin - Mgr.

Merry Christmas

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Our thanks to you all.



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Merry Christmas

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Silver Tinsel - Mystical Symbol

There is an old and appealing legend about Christmas tinsel. A poor peasant woman with many children was able to trim her tree with only the humblest things... nuts and berries and whatever else she was able to hoard through the year. She worked late into the night making her tree as lovely as possible. Then while she was asleep spiders crawled from branch to branch leaving a trail of lacy webs over them all. As a reward for her devotion the Christ Child blessed her tree and all the spider webs turned to glistening silver!



There's nothing small about our wishes or our thanks! We appreciate your business and take time to wish you every happiness at Christmas.

McCord Motor Co.



*Silent Night,
Holy Night*

On that night, long ago, a dazzling star guided shepherds to our Savior. On this holiday we hope the radiance of the season guides you to a happy and loving Christmas. Thanks, all.

From Everyone at the

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Letters to Santa



December 6, 1977
Dear Santa,
My Mommie is writing this letter for me because I am only two years old. I have been a very good boy this year. I would like to have a big John Deere tractor and a train for Christmas.
Love
Royce Greer

Tahoka, Texas
Dec. 7, 1977
Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a set of skates. And a stretch arm strang. And a stretch monster and a skateboard.
from Jim Patterson

Dear Santa Claus,
Christmas please Space bicycle, tires 3-wheeler sewing machine, tractor moterbike super thank you roller skates, doll gun Barbie
Love
Christopher

Dear Santa Claus,
Will you bring a doll for me and pleas, dear Santa Claus, will you pleas bring me a baby come back and pleas, dear Santa Claus, will you bring me a Mrsh Mickey.
Love
Emily Perez

Dear Santa Claus,
Santa I wot a new boll Christmas and a new dishes and a new cloth I wot a new toy.
Love,
Rachel Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,
How is roodof with his red nose. And I want a baby heat beat, and a baby that a way. And a esy back uvn. Oh - don't forget Lory and Kell Ray and Kelly wants a buch of thaings like guns a swetes and Lory wants waky talky and Kelly wants a wocy talk. And don't forget Katy. What about mom and dad.
Have a merry Christmas.
Love,
Shana Haynes

I love you. My birthday is May 25 and I'm not to hard to pleso so please come to my hause. I love you and roodof so have a merry Christmas and don't forget a dog.
Love
Donna Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a doll. Please bring me a bike. Please bring me Barbie. Please bring me sewing machine. Please bring me a baby come back. Please bring me roller skates. And bring my little sister a doll.
Love
Donna Rodriguez

Hi Santa Claus,
Amy: Bik. Santa.
Father: a CB. Santa.
Mother: a ring. Santa.
Debbe: A
Ricky: A big bik and a rascar.
Love
Ricky

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike and a model and some rockets and some trucks. My brother is mean and doo not get nim anything for Christmas.
Rusty Jennings

Dear Santa,
Would you bring me a trampoline? and a baby won't let go. and baby come back.
Love
Sandra Stice

Dear Santa Claus,
I wish for a bike and a doll. And Santa Claus, and I hope you have a happy Christmas. And Santa Claus I love you.
Sylvia Moya

Dear Santa,
I love you vare much. I want slime and typewriter and donekwom and wuder woum. Hi, Santa, Mrs. Santa.
I love you vare much.
Martha Lee Gonzales

Dear Sant Claus,
I wot a stove set. I wot sum dishes. I wot a play typewriter. I love you Sant Claus and Mrs. Sant Claus.
Sandy Isbell

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope you have a nice day. I want a play typewriter. My name:
Rose Mary Gutierrez

Dear Santa,
I want a model of the B-17's and a tape recorder and some trucks and amodol roucket and a waky talky. and some cateyamard's.
from Kelly Vardeman

Dear Santa Claus,
I want some walkie-talkies please. I want a drum wish a strap with two sticks please. I want a soccer ball please.
Love
Cody Lee Smith

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a doll. Please bring me a doll. Please bring me Barbie. Please bring me sewing machine. Please bring me a baby come back. Please bring me roller skates. And bring my little sister a doll.
Love
Donna Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a sewing machine. And bring me a baby come back. please bring me a baby carg. please bring my sister a baby life. And please bring my mother a cote. And please bring my dady some shrt and soot. please bring my grandma a prus. please bring my bother a drums. please bring my big bother a shrt and soot.
Love
Staci M

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a nurf football. And a dump truck and a tire. Please bring my sister baby come back.
Love,
Bruce Lehman

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a baby doll and a sewing machine and I want a babby come back and please bring Mrs. Ash something. And please, I want a doll for my sister and please bring my brother a bicycle and a birby doll and I love you and I like you thank you Santa Claus and I wish you come back again and I want you to come.
Love
Mary Lou Gutierrez

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a baby come back and a baby doll. and bring my mother something and my father, brother something, and something for my sister.
Love
Olga

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a barbie. Please bring my brother a truck. Please bring my mother a camera. Please bring my dad a new gun. Please bring my grandmother a coffe cup.
Love
Lori Tipton

Tahoka, Texas
Dec 7, 1977
Dear Santa,
I am 8 years old, and I would like a skate broad and a scooter and a traplen.
Love,
Regina Ingle

Tahoka, Texas
Dec. 7, 1977
Dear Santa,
I am in the second grade. I am seven years old. Please bring me a Kiss doll and baby come back and a baby that a way.
from
Marie Garcia to Santa

Tahoka, Texas
Dec. 7, 1977
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a watch and some boots and some money. Thank you for the gifts.
Love,
Kathy Saldana

Tahoka, Texas
Dec. 8, 1977
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Bab Chrissy and a Scooter Thank you for the gifts.
Love
Amber McNeel

Dear Santa
I am seven years old. I am in the second grade. Please bring me a Baby Alive.
Love
Tesh

Tahoka, Texas
Dec. 8, 1977
Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a bike and a cooker cake. How you Santa.
Michelle Barriente

Tahoka, Texas
Dec 7, 1977
Dear Santa,
I am eight years old I am in the second grade Please bring a foot ball.
Greg

Tahoka, Texas
Dec. 8, 1977
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Bab Chrissy and a Scooter Thank you for the gifts.
Love
Amber McNeel

Games

HARDWARE

Hoping your holidays will be a blaze of joy and merriment! Thanks for your good will.

WHITAKER HARDWARE

Merry Christmas

God bless us, every one... and especially you. Our thanks to one and all.

Tahoka Safety Lane

O Holy night...



May the spiritual peace and joy of Christmas abide with you and your loved ones.

Charlie, Toy Amy, Adam Holland

Lynn County Land For Sale By Sealed Bids

The Estates of Gus and Ethel Owens offer for sale by Sealed Bids the following tract of land:

BEING all of the South One-half (S/2) of Section No. Five (5), Block No. C-41, Public School Land, Lynn County, Texas, and containing Three Hundred Twenty (320) acres of land.

The proposed sale is SURFACE ONLY (all minerals are reserved). All interested persons should submit their written Sealed Bids (on a per acre basis) no later than 10:00 a.m., Monday, January 23, 1978, to the Estates' Attorney, as follows:
Mr. John Saleh
Attorney at Law
502 North First Street
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All Sealed Bids will be opened at 10:30 a.m., Monday, January 23, 1978.

THIS IS AN INVITATION FOR BIDS. AND THE ESTATES RESERVE THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS.

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Of the total purchase price, 29% down, and the balance to be payable in 10 equal annual installments (with on or before privileges), plus interest at the rate of 8% per annum. Possession to be delivered on date Bid is accepted and Contract of Sale entered into with 10% Escrow Deposit.

Also, the successful bidder will be given the option to rent the North One-half (N/2) of the above-described Section for a period of Three (3) years (1978, 1979, 1980), on the usual and customary One-third (1/3) and One-fourth (1/4) basis. The above property is located 11 miles west of O'Donnell and 6 miles east of Welch.

ESTATES OF GUS AND ETHEL OWENS

ONE PRAYER... ONE HOPE

May the Peace and Happiness of the Christmas Season be yours forever more! Our fervant thanks to all.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1977

Italy Celebrates Religious Christmas Festivities Representing Many Origins

The celebration of Christmas in Italy, perhaps more than in any other country, illustrates the multiple origins of the festivities we serve in modern times. Christmas in Italy is primarily a religious festival, highlighted by the Christmas Novena, a series of church services on nine nights preceding Christmas, culminating in a Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve.

from Christmas Eve to Epiphany (January 6th) of the creche or Persepio (the word means manger or stable), a Nativity scene with more or less elaborate landscaping and figures of sheep, cattle, and shepherds, as well as Mary, Joseph and the Christ Child. At Epiphany, figures of the Three Kings with their retinues, bringing gifts to the Child, are added. These Nativity scenes originated in the thirteenth century with Saint Francis

Assisi, who decided to make the Christmas Eve Mass a re-enactment of the birth of Christ, and for many centuries they remained essentially an ecclesiastical presentation, with local churches vying for the most decorative creche. In more recent times, Nativity scenes have moved into private homes as well.

In the early years of the Christian faith, persecution made public observation of Christmas impractical, and it was not until several hundred years had passed that the birth of Christ was given an official date for celebration. It is by no means certain that December 25th is the actual anniversary of the birth of Jesus, but it was an appropriate date for the observance. It coincided with the Winter Solstice celebrations of long standing throughout the northern world, with the Roman Saturnalia and with the Jewish Hannukah, Festival of Lights, providing a firm historical base, familiar to everyone in the then-known world, for a major festival.

EARLY CUSTOMS
It is not surprising, therefore, that many customs derived from earlier celebrations have become a part of the Christmas observance in Italy. The coming

of the Winter Solstice, marking the beginning of longer days, was observed in pre-Christian times by the decoration of houses with greens, and this custom, taking on added significance as a symbol of the rebirth of hope in the coming of Christ, is observed in Italy with sprigs of holly and mistletoe.

Similarly, the seasonal giving of gifts, already traditional in the Roman custom of giving branches picked in the grove of the goddess Strenia was appropriately converted to the giving of "Strenne," Christmas or New Year's presents, following the later tradition of the gifts of the Magi to the Christ-Child and symbolizing the gifts to mankind brought by Jesus' birth.

CHRISTMAS TREE ORIGIN
The Christmas tree, which originated in Germany, has come slowly into popularity in Italy, especially in the north, but it had its forerunner, especially around Florence, in the Ceppi, or Christmas pyramids, composed of shelves of various sizes fixed to a pole. (The word "ceppo" means tree trunk and, by usage, a Christmas gift.) On the shelves were placed

decorations of greens and small toys and presents. It is possible that the ceppo may have been a replacement for the Yule log. But the burning of the Yule log, another custom of pre-Christian origin, is not unknown in Italy, where there is the pleasant legend that the Virgin Mary enters the homes of the humble at midnight, when the household is at Mass, to warm her newborn Child before the blazing log.

ITALY FOCAL POINT
The fact that Italy contained the capital of the Roman world and, as a logical result, the headquarters of the Christian Church, has given Christmas in Italy a particularly rich observance.



ZAMPOGNA AND CENNAPELLA are played by Italians dressed as shepherds in front of the Christmas manger at the Piazza Navona in Rome. Similar to a bagpipe, and made of sheepskin, the zampogna was used in the days of ancient Romans. The cennamella is a small flute. In a custom now fast disappearing, bagpipers from mountains of the Abruzzi and Latium come to Rome to play traditional tunes at the start of the Christmas season celebration, usually on November 29, the day commemorating the Novena of the Immaculate Conception. Photo courtesy Italian State Tourist Office.

NOEL

May the happy music of Christmas fill all your days with harmony. On a joyous note we say thanks.

O'Donnell Gin & Grain

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Tips to Make Yule Brighter

The Christmas card made from a photograph of children or family group is highly popular as a means of bringing a sense of togetherness to relatives and friends when geographical separation makes the real thing impossible.

The best time for such pictures, naturally, is when presents are being opened and the family group is together, sharing and showing their joy in Christmas surprises.

A good second opportunity may be found when the family is gathered at the table for Christmas dinner. Other possibilities include "stockings hung by the chimney with care" and children playing, indoors or out, with new gifts.

Whatever subject you choose, better do it today — tomorrow may be too late to capture the best "shots" to share with others.

Christmas Trees For Ecology...

Many people believe that the cutting of trees for Christmas "robs" nature and destroys a portion of our forests each year, but the truth is that nearly three quarters of such trees are raised specifically to be cut at Christmas-time. Most of the remainder are "thinlings"—young trees cut in forests to improve the growth opportunities for other trees.

Forestry experts and nurserymen point out that young, growing trees give off more oxygen and absorb more carbon dioxide than mature ones, so that the cultivation of Christmas trees actually helps the ecology. In contrast, they say, the manufacture of artificial trees uses up valuable energy and natural resources, which are not recoverable.

After Christmas, discarded trees can be used in various ways to benefit the environment. Even if you live in a city, ecologists suggest, you can help by getting in touch with a local conservation organization or commercial nursery.

A JOYLY HOLLY DAY

Saying "Hello" and wishing you A Merry Christmas that jingles all the way!

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Come All Ye Faithful

May the peace and comfort so richly provided by Our Saviour Jesus Christ be yours as you celebrate His Birth.

And may our special thanks add to the splendor of your holidays.

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The Kidwells, The Rogers & Employees

A Joyous Christmas

The landscape is serene wearing a mantle of fresh snow as we greet Christmas, holiday of Joy. Joyous in observance of its origin, joyous in its expression of peace, we gather together at this special time in good fellowship. In an atmosphere of wonder we wish you a happy holiday and say thanks for your friendship.

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"Christmas Fantasy" A legendary doll house comes to sparkling life

The Christmas season celebrated in museums across the country, brings a rich panoply of holiday customs, traditions and dazzling beauty. One such display, a Christmas exhibition at The Museum of the City of New York, "A Party at the Stettheimers" was put together by John Noble, curator at the Museum. It was a labour of love and involvement for Mr. Noble who says the personality of the creator of the house "very clearly expressed itself" in determining what

he could and could not do, in creating a Christmas fantasy in this unique doll house.

A different level of reality has been achieved and a set of dolls artfully designed to bring the house to sparkling life. It is the Stettheimers themselves, Florine and Ettie, Carrie and their mother, who are portrayed, and the house was decorated for Christmas as they might have done it in the mid-1920's, and peopled with some of their illustrious friends.



STETTHEIMER DOLL HOUSE decorated for Christmas. Mother and daughter at tea in the living room. Courtesy Museum of the City of New York.



STETTHEIMER DOLL HOUSE decorated for 1920's Christmas. Friends in and around the art gallery include Gaston Lachaise chatting with painter Marcel Duchamp, writer Henry McBride greeting Florine Stettheimer, Edward Steichen on the balcony photographing Elizabeth Dunean. Courtesy Museum of the City of New York.

in chintz, luxurious draperies, crystal chandeliers.

Original petit point covers many of the chairs and also carpets the living room floor.

All the miniature pieces have been faithfully reproduced. There are tiny bottles atop a dressing table, a bathroom scale of minute proportions, dishes and cutlery of microdimensions, and would you believe, a working elevator!

In the nursery which is appropriately papered and furnished, there is a set of doll furniture that could fit in a nutshell.

The house was filled with dolls of the Stettheimers and their friends, by Mr. Noble. The dolls were modeled from Florine's paintings and dressed in authentic styles of the day. Among them are sculptor Gaston Lachaise, painter Marcel Duchamp, writer Henry McBride, photographer Edward Steichen, composer Virgil Thompson and other eminent personalities who frequented the salon. Some of the greatest literary and artistic figures of the 20's and 30's were part of the coterie attending the small formal dinner parties in the lavish apartment of Mrs. Stettheimer.

The most remarkable feature of the doll house is its art gallery containing what has proved to be a choice collection of works by important artists of the period, all created especially for this mini-mansion. Of the many small original masterpieces, perhaps the most celebrated are Marcel Duchamp's miniature version of his "Nude Descending a Staircase" and the alabaster "Venus" by Gaston Lachaise.

The festive doll house, with its glittering ephemeral decorations and its soignée occupants, show a glimpse of a lifestyle now almost lost, a glimpse of people who have become legends.

Holly-Day Hum

Sprigs of holly should be placed in beehives at Christmas. So says an old English Christmas tradition. This custom stems from the legend that, at the Manger, bees gathered to hum a hymn of joy.

Lynn County Community Action board meeting was held at the Center on Monday night, and Melvin Burks presided in the absence of president Dale Read. Next regular meeting will be in February.

GREETINGS
 Hoping your holidays will be bright with the light of Christmas.
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ALL HAIL THE NEWBORN KING!



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The Stettheimer House was made during the 1920's by Carrie Walter Stettheimer, one of three fabulous sisters who, with their mother "ruled for almost a generation one of the acknowledged intellectual salons of our town." (Henry McBride).

Given to the museum 30 years ago, the doll house was the life-long project of this wealthy spinster. It has advanced decorating ideas, a miniature gallery, and as Mr. Noble suggests, almost ghostly glimpses into the life of the Stettheimer sisters.

Florine Stettheimer was a self-taught painter and stage designer whose works were exhibited at The Museum of Modern Art, in the 1940's after her death. Ettie Stettheimer wrote novels under the name of Henrie Waste. Carrie, long considered the least talented of the three sisters, created her fabulous doll house, putting together its elaborate furnishings herself. Carrie Stettheimer created a diminutive world not unlike the one in which she lived... one of embroidered bed sheets, bedrooms lined

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Merry Christmas
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It's Christmas
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 Hoorah for us all in this season of special delights and for the charm of your friendship!
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CHRISTMAS
 Enjoy peace at heart and hearth for Christmas.
 Warm thanks.

Wyatts Body Shop

Have a Merry Christmas

 The beauty of Christmas reflects the beauty of our patrons. Thanks for letting us serve you.
Janie's Beauty Salon
 Janie Isbell, Judy Jolly, Mary Lois Smith

CHRIST is BORN

 His name shall be called Wonderful The Mighty God... The Prince of Peace!
 Let us adore Him and give thanks that we are free to share the Blessings of His Love.
HUFFAKER & GREEN



Centennial Holiday Festivities. A Christmas Package Party, New York City. Illustration from Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper, January 13, 1877. Courtesy of The New York Historical Society.



The Christmas Tree. Wood engraving from drawing by Winslow Homer, from Harper's Weekly, December 25, 1858. Courtesy of The New York Historical Society.

Community Spirit Greet's A Joyous Christmas Season

Christmas! The season of music and wonder is filled with a powerful kind of magic. A magic that is expressed in many ways . . . in the merriment of its parties and celebrations, the contentment of hearth and home, the heartwarming tradition of gift giving and receiving, the dazzle and brilliance of its Holy meaning.

Excitement grows as each new sign or symbol of this cherished holiday appears. Rehearsals begin for Nativity plays at schools. Christmas cards are addressed and closets are piled high with mysterious packages. Store windows glisten with dazzling displays and forests of fir and spruce appear on every corner. Parties are planned and tempting delights are cooked and baked. Carolers appear filling the air with lilting holiday tunes and the local community tree is decorated and lit. Finally ornaments are tenderly and nostalgically unpacked, stockings are hung with anticipation. Surely those are sleigh bells jingling faintly in the distance!

The many legends that surround Christmas add to its aura of magic and mystery. If bees can hum psalms, animals speak and cattle kneel in their stables, then surely any miraculous happening is possible! And so the excitement mounts!

This wonderful time of merriment is also one of profound reverence. Churches in cities and country byways hold midnight services to celebrate the humble birth of Christ. It is the season of worship and rejoicing. Set apart by its majesty, mood, and magic, Christmas stands eternally outside time.

As Christmas day approaches it seems that everyone is waiting for something to happen! All are caught up in the spirit of what-might-be. At long last we know what all the preparation and waiting means . . . the miracle of Christ's birth which happened almost two thousand years ago, happens again in the hearts of people everywhere!

Christmas is cherished as a religious holiday of unparalleled importance honoring the birth of Jesus Christ, by Christians the world over.

For those of other faiths, this beloved holiday happily expresses universal good will, cheer and the spirit of brotherhood.

And so Christmas, that magical season of music and wonder, belongs to everyone!

Word 'Manger' Has 2 Meanings

The Bible tells us that the newly-born Christ-child was "wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger," a word derived from the French "mangeoir" or frame to hold animal feed.

It is interesting that the other common English word for a cattle-feeder, crib, which is derived from the German krippe, also means a baby's bed.

Even the French word crèche, which is often used to describe the nativity scene displayed in churches, homes, and other places at Christmastime, has the double meaning of "manger" and a public shelter for the care of infants.

MAGIC OF MAGI

Believed to have occult powers, the Wise Men were called Magi, the root of our words magic and magician.

Magi were held to be magicians or soothsayers. They were also ancient priests who travelled far away to many lands in order to establish a following.



Christmas Scene from Godey's Lady's Book, December 1850. Courtesy of The Museum of The City of New York.

Yuletide Turkey Can Be Just As Special The Second Time Around

An elaborate turkey dinner at Christmas time yields untold dividends in second day lunches and dinners. You'll enjoy these delicious menus . . . and so will your family. The best part is that they're so tempting you'll never think of them as "leftovers."

EASY TURKEY LOAF
 6 cups turkey finely chopped
 1/2 cup chopped onion
 1/2 cup chopped green pepper
 1/2 cup fine dry bread crumbs
 1 cup mayonnaise
 1/2 cup chili sauce
 1 teaspoon salt
 1/2 teaspoon pepper

Combine all ingredients, mix well. Turn into greased loaf pan — 9"x5"x3" — bake at 350° for half hour or until lightly browned. Serve plain or with your favorite tomato sauce. 8 portions.

CRUNCHY COMPANY CASSEROLE

3 cups diced cooked turkey
 2 hard cooked eggs coarsely chopped
 1/2 cup dried celery
 1 tablespoon chopped onion
 1 — 4 oz. can sliced mushrooms
 1/2 cup blanched almond slivers
 1/2 cup mayonnaise
 1 — 10 1/2 oz. can cream of chicken soup
 Crushed potato chips or chow mein noodles

Mix first 6 ingredients together. Stir mayonnaise and soup together; toss in turkey mixture. Turn into 2 quart casserole and sprinkle with noodles or potato chips. Bake in 350° oven for half hour or 'til dish is bubbly. 6 hearty portions.

TURKEY FILLED POTATO BOATS

Scoop out baked Idaho potatoes leaving 1/2 inch shell, using half a large potato per portion. Mash and season scooped potato pulp and set aside. Heat diced turkey in cream sauce. (Use

your judgment as to amount of sauce according to quantity of turkey you are using.) Fill scooped potato shells with turkey mixture. Fill pastry tube with mashed potato mix and squeeze to form a border around each potato boat. Bake in 400° oven until brown.

This is a great dish for youngsters since it is easy to manage and doesn't need any cutting up. Try a little grated cheese over the top of each boat before putting in the oven, for extra zip.



We're letting it all out! May the wonderful Spirit of Christmas bring joy to you and yours. Hearty thanks!

Williams 66 Service
 Roger - Pat - Jodi



Merry Christmas

Jingle bells echo through this special night, pealing wishes of merriment and joy to all, from Santa and us.

Trammell TV
 And
 The Plaster House

West Texas Chamber Has New VIP

The appointment of Edward H. Coltharp as Executive Vice-President of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce has been announced by WTCC President E. Bruce Street of Graham.

Coltharp has been serving as Acting Executive Vice-President since the resignation of J. Fike Godfrey and assumed the permanent position on December 1st, becoming the seventh person to serve as Executive Vice-President since the regional Chamber was formed in 1918.

Prior to his interim appointment as Acting Executive Vice-President, Coltharp had served four and a half years as WTCC Development Director.

WTCC is headquartered in Abilene. Coltharp is a native of Sweetwater, and in addition to his professional interests, he owns and operates a stock farm in Fisher County.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Santa's cart is overflowing with our good wishes for you and your family. Thanks for letting us serve you... it's been a pleasure.

Tahoka Food Mart

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May your Christmas be filled with the serenity and quiet contentment that is born in the Spirit. And may all your days be graced with health, happiness, peace and our deep gratitude.

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Happy Holidays
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That's Santa Claus ... that's Christmas! Our best wishes and thanks to all.

Dairy Queen
 Tahoka, Texas

SIGNS OF ZODIAC AID IN SELECTING CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Perplexed about choosing gifts? Personality characteristics suggested by Signs of the Zodiac, might help you select "just the right thing."

THE FIRE SIGNS

ARIES
March 21-April 20
Aries people are a racy, vibrant, on-the-go lot with an enormous amount of self confidence that is apparent in everything they do. Male and female will welcome a new host or hostess apron designed especially for entertaining or tending holiday bar. A wide decorative watchband will make an old watch new again.

LEO
July 23-August 23
Dramatic entrances are

just the kind of thing a Leo person relishes. Generally in command of most situations, they are also given to extravagant gestures. Dramatic flavor should be a keynote when choosing this gift. A silk tie in a vivid art deco design or a slim metal stretch snake belt.

SAGITTARIUS
November 23-December 21
The one sign that believes the world is worth smiling at! Intensely thoughtful and sincere, Sagittarians are very open in their relationships. You'll find them most appreciative of most anything you choose for them. A man's silk patterned blazer scarf — a silver or pewter snowflake pendant on a chain.

THE EARTH SIGNS

TAURUS
April 21-May 20
A comfort to those around them, Taurus people have warm and consoling natures. Worldly wise, they still prefer things on the safe side and are basically conservative. Decorative pillows make happy gifts and come in exciting colors decorated with bouquets, patchwork, etc. Try giving your favorite red and white wines for a holiday treat.

VIRGO
August 24-September 23
Hidden powers of logic and concern for detail are strong characteristics of this sign. Meticulous and to the point, they delve deeply before pursuing any new venture. Virgo people appreciate fine things and enjoy the classic choices. They will appreciate a stereo headphone set or a spe-

cial new recording of one of their favorite symphonies or rock group.

CAPRICORN
December 22-January 20
A pleasing nature and ready smile cover the withdrawn nature of Capricorn people. Generally quiet, they are often all-knowing in many ways. A rugby shirt for the Capricorn male or argyle knit socks and the lady will treasure a handsome leather passport case or wallet in an unusual color... try lavender!

THE AIR SIGNS

GEMINI
May 21-June 21
Great, rapid fire wit is typical of these people. Their bubbly spirit is ever present, rarely deserting them. Select a present with a touch of humor, and remember a Gemini is able to laugh at himself. Several slim, metal bangle bracelets are sure to please, as will oversized monogrammed coffee mugs.

LIBRA
September 24-October 23
Librans are not easily shaken, though they are sensitive to all around them, and readily keep their cool. Dependable and often meticulous about details, they enjoy having their dear ones near. An original and clever gift will please these people with their artistic inclinations. A decorative plant holder with narcissus or hyacinth bulbs makes a lasting gift, as do silver Christmas tree bells.

AQUARIUS
January 21-February 18
Unpredictable is the word for Aquarians. One day they are mysterious and exotic, the next all innocent and wide eyed. You'll have to decide which side of this fickle nature you want to please. Try the newest and most exciting new perfumes and toiletries.

THE WATER SIGNS

CANCER
June 22-July 22
This is the sign of the incurable romantic, given to gentle ways. Soft spoken and soft natured as well. Romantic, subtle gifts will surely win their heart. A collection of poems in a lovely binding is an original way to say "Happy Holiday." A tiny decorated

jewel-like pill case is too.

SCORPIO
October 24-November 22
This is a gentle breed with true feeling that runs deep and long. Frequently we see a delicate touch of the exotic under this sign. A gift with unusual flare would be a treasured selection. Pretty coloured soaps in holiday wrapping are sure to make a hit... or a dazzling necklace... or a long, long, long scarf.

PISCES
February 19-March 20
Here is the eternal romantic — drifting from one dream to the next before settling down to reality. Delicate and sensitive by nature, they view the world through rose colored glasses. Many creative people were born under this sign so choose something clever and unique — seashells in a basket? A brocade covered jewel box?



Wishing you a holiday crammed full of the treasures and delights of a wonderful Yuletide! To you and yours,
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May that special star that guided the Wise Men to the manger, shine forever more in the heart of all mankind. Our thanks to you at this blessed Yuletide
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Let us Adore Him
We herald the Child born in the manger and ask His blessing for you and your loved ones. In the profound spirit of the Yuletide we extend sincere thanks to our friends.

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May it continue to flower long after Christmas.

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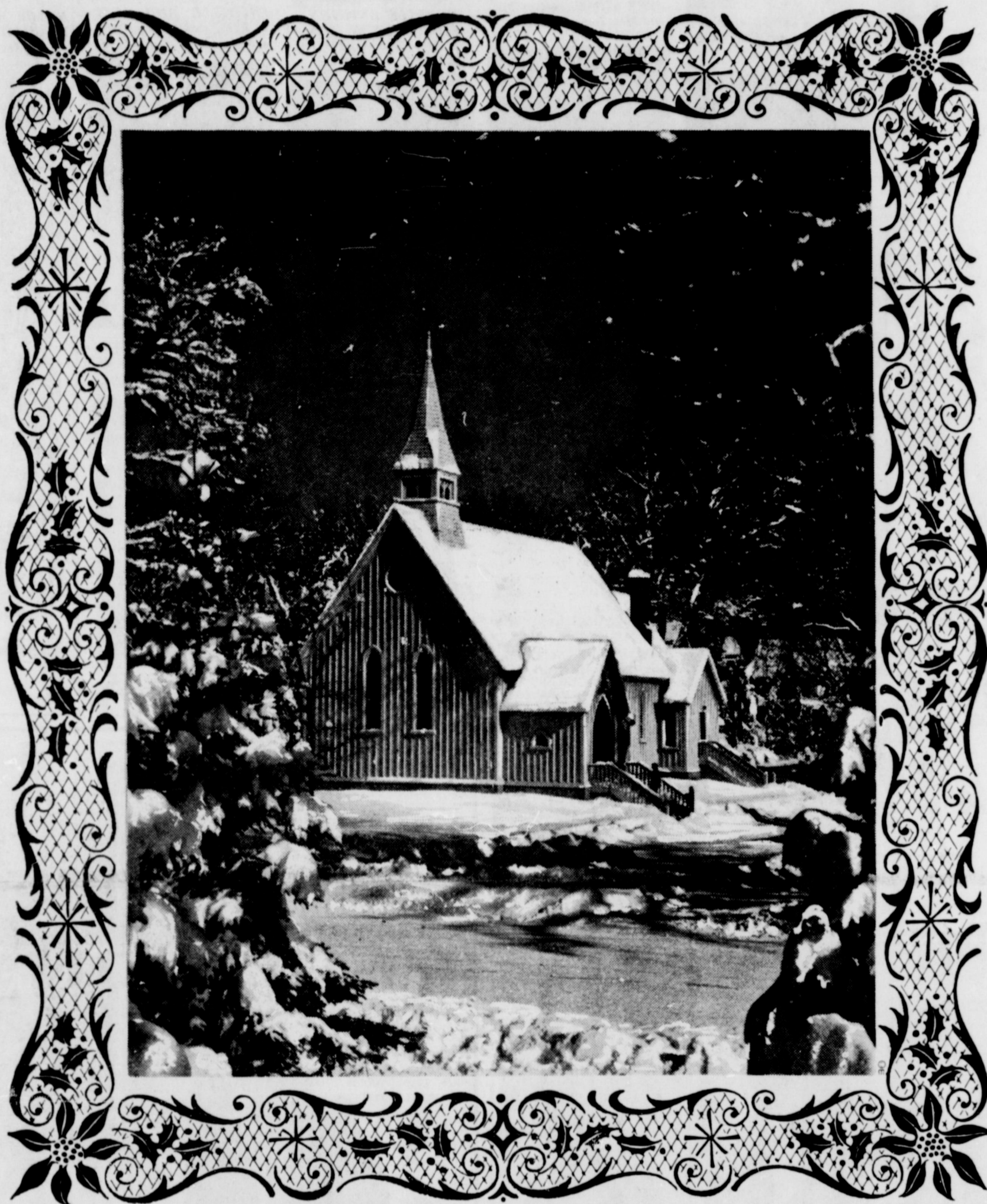
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Christmas Greetings

The peaceful calm of the land wearing a blanket of fresh snow gives great and simple dignity to His house. As Christians everywhere proudly celebrate the Birth of the Saviour, we take pause to offer a prayer of thanks for the good and wondrous teachings bestowed upon us through Him. May your holiday be filled with true joy and peace . . .

Farmers Co-op Association # 1

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In old Bohemia, it was thought that throwing an empty pot on a crossroads would cure a fever.

MERRY MERRY CHRISTMAS

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HOLIDAY TIME SAVER

When cooking, double your favorite recipe and serve one half. Freeze the second for a pressured day. You'll have your dinner in just the time it takes to heat it up!

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Wishing you much happiness and hope, your dreams will all come true. We say "thanks" for your continuing faith in...

BREWER'S CAFE
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PEACE

It is the season to kindle the fires of love and brotherhood in our hearts and to greet one another in peace! Our deep gratitude to all.

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PEACE ON EARTH

May the radiant light that shone over Bethlehem continue to enlighten the minds and hearts of men everywhere. May the blessed memory of that first Christmas bring joy and love to everyone. We add our expressions of thanks to all we have been privileged to serve.

HANEY GIN
BOB HANEY

Christmas

As all herald the birth of Christ in the manger, we extend our wishes for an inspired and blessed holiday.

Morton Shop
WILSON, TEXAS

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Festive Christmas Alphabet of Wonderful Gift Ideas...

Have a quandry about what to give Aunt Millie this year? Or your husband's secretary? Christmas shopping can be fun and much less exasperating if you know in advance pretty much what you want to give each one on that long list. This alphabet of presents was designed to help you make your selections and save time and legwork.

Have a happy shopping spree!

A HOLIDAY MENU



- Ready to serve you:
- Appetizer of Happiness
 - Tossed Merriment
 - Generous Portions of Joy
 - Casserole of Sweet Thoughts
 - Spirits of the Season
- from the Christmas Kitchen of
- DAIRY MART**
- Bonnell, Texas Adam Salazar

A Automatic electric blanket, after-ski boots, American Indian silver jewelry, art supplies kit, atlas of the world.

B Battery-powered grass shears, backgammon set, bubble-bath ensemble, bowling ball or basketball, books, bud vase, brandy snifters.

C Camera and accessories, circular saw, calculator, compass, ceramic baking dish with silver-plated holder, crystal bowl or figurine.

D Digital watch, diamond heart pendant, decorated porcelain or silver thimble, down-filled parka, doll, dart board.

E Enamelled compact or cigarette case, electronic system camera, erector set, evening bag, eyeglass caddy, electric crepe maker.

F Frames, fur accessories, foam-filled blocks for small fry, field glasses, figure skates, finger paints, fishing gear, filmy nightgown, fruit cake, fragrance set.

G Golf clubs, gourmet foods basket, glass candle holders with scented candles, greenhouse windows, glamorous caftan, gold mesh or chain necklace, gingerbread.

H Hand puppets, hiking boots, home movie camera, hockey stick, historical novel, hobby horse, homemade cookies.

I Ice boat, identification tag chain necklace, incense burner, Indian arts and crafts, ivory bracelet, Italian cook book, information games, ice bucket and tongs.

J Jewelry box, jam pots in colorful pottery, Jacuzzi portable whirlpool bath, jack-in-the-box, jade charm pendant, Japanese bonsai plant, jigsaw puzzle.

K Keyboard organ, key ring with monogrammed disc, kitchen utensils tied with a big bow, kite kit.

L Leather card case, lounging robe, luggage, lady-doctor doll kit, lacy lingerie, lavender sachet, lebkuchen Christmas cookies.

M Marvelous mink coat, magazine rack, monogrammed tennis balls, microwave oven, makeup brushes in their own holder, magnetic scrabble travel set, museum membership, monogrammed stationery, music box, miniature cars.

N Needlepoint kit, napkin rings, nut dish in silver, notepad, nightshirt, news magazine subscription.

O Old time telephone, Oriental rug, oversized coffee cups or mugs, orchid plant, outboard motor, ocarina.

P Portable TV, pinball game, photo album, painting, personal sauna, pen and pencil set, planter, pomander balls, punch bowl set, push-pull toys.

Q Quartz clock, quiche pan with recipes, quilts, quill pen in antique holder, quilting kit, quart size thermos decorated with tennis ball designs, quiz games.

R Raggedy Ann doll, relish server, rain scarf, rug making kit, rattan hanging chair for in or out-of-doors, recording of favorite musical artists, rectangular magnifying glass with handle, roller skates, rock sculpture kit.

S Silver cake server, soft stuffed animals, sewing machine, squash racket, seashell Christmas tree decorations, soldering gun kit, slide projector, sno-mobile.

T Toy calculator that teaches adding and subtracting, tea cart for serving, tankards for Yuletide grog, tennis gear, typewriter, terrarium.

U Umbrella, underwater camera equipment, upright piano, underwear.

V Vinyl slicker for the rain, velvet evening bag, V-neck pull-over, vegetarian cook book, vanity case for travel, velour terry robe, Venetian glass vase or bowl.

W Warm-up suit for jogger or tennis buff, wine rack, write-in-

the-dark pen with built in flashlight, wok, water-skis.

X Xylophone kit, x-tra special treats, x-otic soap.

Y Yardstick in clear lucite, yacht chair with canvas seat.

Z Zoris (Japanese thong sandals), zippered golf jacket, zebra striped rug, zoology book.

There it is...from A to Z!

Special effects with tree trims

Conserving energy? Watching electric bills? There are marvelous ways to decorate your Christmas tree and your house without using electric bulbs or tree lights. They're just as effective and so original you're bound to hear lots of compliments from friends and family!

★ Cover Styrofoam balls with glow-in-the-dark material, or shiny aluminum tape, available at art supply shops or your local 5 and 10 cent store.

★ Glittering balls, small mirrors, strips and shapes cut from aluminum foil and tinsel shimmer brightly on a tree.

★ Brightly colored ribbon bows and long strands of metallic silver and gold ribbons looped over branches glimmer and glow.

★ String yards of colored popcorn and drape through tree branches. Add brightly decorated cookies too.

★ Use glowing candles in clusters around the house. They are even more attractive if the candle holders are varying heights.

★ Trim inside and outside trees with patterned and colorful strips and scraps of fabrics left in your sewing box. They're especially effective fluttering in the wind.

★ Remember feathered friends with a string of popcorn or cranberries strung on an outside tree. They'll chatter their thanks.

POPE'S YULE INSTRUCTIONS

Pope Gregory I in his instructions to missionaries on Christmas festivities sent out from Rome in the year 601: "The people should celebrate a religious feast and worship God by their feasting, so that still keeping outward pleasures, they may more readily receive spiritual joys."

FROSTY SNOWBALL MOLD—Pour into a large mold, cranberry sauce that has been thickened with gelatin. When set remove from mold, onto salad greens, and decorate with tiny snowballs made of softened cream cheese.

PEPPERMINT ORANGES—Roll fresh oranges gently on table top to soften, and cut small hole on the top of each one. Insert stick of peppermint candy. Small fry can suck the juice through the candy stick, making a double treat!

Joy at CHRISTMAS



As you and your loved ones gather together to share the blessings of this great holiday season, we extend, to you and yours, our warmest wishes for a bright and happy future.

DRAW PAYMASTER GIN

ELLA & BURL MOORE



The Spirit of Christmas

May the light of love and understanding that bathed the world on the eve of His Birth shine upon you and kindle your heart with everlasting joy. Let us rejoice as we cherish the blessings of this holy season.

Wells Farmers Co-op Gin



Glad Christmas Tidings

May the gala old-fashioned spirit of the holidays brighten your lives and hearts... thanks for being such good friends and patrons.

ECHO 87 MOTEL

Helen Wrestler



GREETINGS

IN THE TRUE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT, WE JOIN ALL MEN OF GOOD WILL IN PRAYERS FOR LASTING PEACE. GRATEFULLY, WE THANK EVERYONE FOR THE TRUST AND CONFIDENCE THAT HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO US.

NEW HOME GIN

Jack Clements, Manager

Looking ahead to Christmas — Give a gift you make yourself

Some of the nicest gifts you can give are those you've made yourself. They have a special way of showing you really care. The recipes below are for interesting holiday treats that you can make before the festivities begin. Attractively wrapped they will make most welcome gifts, or perhaps you'll want to show them off at home, for guests and your loving family.

Rum or Bourbon Balls
Make these a few weeks before giving, so they have a chance to ripen.
1 cup pecans, almonds or walnuts, chopped fine
1 cup vanilla wafer crumbs
2 tablespoons Dutch cocoa

1 cup powdered sugar
1 1/2 tablespoons white karo syrup
1/4 cup rum or bourbon
Mix all ingredients together. Using about 1 rounded teaspoon of the mixture, form small balls. Roll in extra powdered sugar and store in tightly covered container, making sure they are not crowded together. That's it! For a change, try chocolate wafers instead of the vanilla, but leave cocoa out of recipe if you do.

Leckerli
1/2 cup honey
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup chopped candied lemon and orange peel
1 1/2 tsp. nutmeg
1 1/2 tsp. cloves
1 tablespoon cinnamon
1 tsp. baking soda

1 cup unblanched almonds, sliced thin
Grated rind of 1/2 lemon
2 3/4 cups sifted flour
Heat honey and 1/2 cup sugar to boiling. Remove from heat and add peel, spices and baking soda dissolved in 2 tablespoons cold water. Add remaining ingredients and knead until well blended. Roll dough to 1/2 inch thickness. Put on greased waxed paper, on cookie sheet, and bake in moderate oven, 325°, for about 25 minutes. Turn out on wire rack and remove paper immediately. Turn, right side up. Cook remaining 1/2 cup sugar and 1/4 cup water until mixture spins a thread. Spread on leckerli and cut in diamond shapes. Store in airtight container for at least a week before giving or using.

Nut Loaf Sensation
3/4 cup sugar
3/4 cup sifted all-purpose flour
1/2 tsp. baking powder
1/2 tsp. salt
2 packages pitted dates — about 1 lb.
1 cup well-drained maraschino cherries
3 cups shelled Brazil nuts — 2 lb. unshelled, or 1 lb. shelled
3 eggs
1 tsp. vanilla



"STIRRING THE CHRISTMAS PUDDING" from Harper's Weekly, December 30, 1876. Courtesy of The New York Historical Society, New York City.

Start heating oven. Grease, then line with waxed paper, a loaf pan measuring 9" x 5" x 3". Place first 4 ingredients in sifter. In large bowl put nuts, dates and cherries and sift flour mixture over them. Mix with

hands till fruits and nuts are well coated. Beat eggs till foamy, add vanilla, stir into nut mix until well mixed. Spread evenly in pan, bake until done. Cool in pan on wire rack for 15 minutes. Remove from pan; peel paper off; cool on rack. Wrap in aluminum foil and store in refrigerator. Will keep for 5 or 6 weeks.
Happy holiday nibbling to all!

Tempting scent to holiday candles

You have only to light a candle to fill your home with the tempting smells of holiday fare. Cranberries, gingerbread, nut bread waft through the air whetting family appetites. Hollyberry and fresh pine scented candles add to natural greenery and give an elegant touch to a mantle or dinner table. Scented candles, newly

available, add to the festive mood of Christmas. To make candles last through the holiday season here are some suggestions:
* Tapers on a dinner table should be at lip or chin level. The soft glow is flattering to all.
* When blowing candles out hold your finger in front of the flame to keep

the hot wax from splattering.
* Scratching through the outer layer of wax with your fingernail, will release additional fragrance from scented candles.
* Store candles by laying them flat in a dark, dry place for slow and even burning, place candles in refrigerator overnight before using.

HOLLY WREATH SALADS — Using chicory, make a wreath shape on individual salad plates. Scatter cherries or cranberries on chicory to look like holly.

May your days be bright with promise...packed full of happiness and cheer! Thanks from all of us.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Jif-E Mart
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MERRY Christmas

We thank you for your patronage and hope you will be surrounded by good fortune through this festive season.

Morrison Fina
O'Donnell, Texas

Christmas Joy

Each gift of love to our neighbors is a gift of peace to the world. Let us join in the happy spirit of the holiday to share its warmth and wonder.

White Funeral Home



Merry Christmas

It's Christmastime. The land is cloaked in white serenity... hearths are aglow with golden embers of warmth and homeliness... peace and happiness fill the air. With our deepest appreciation for all the blessing bestowed upon us, we reach out to our friends and neighbors to share with us the joys of this Holy Season.

Goodpasture Grain & Milling Co.
TOM AND DOROTHY HALE

The hills and valleys ring with songs of joy and exaltation extolling the Spirit of Christmas!

We reverently join in to say thanks to all.

Merry Christmas

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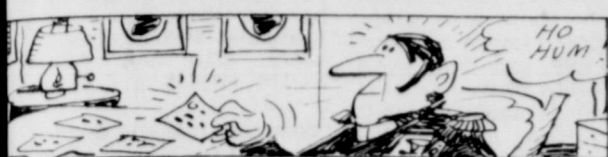


LISA MARTIN, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby J. Martin.

ANIMAL FEASTS

Ancient tradition has it that animals helped spread the joyous tidings of the Birth of Christ. Because of this, barnyard animals in many countries are served a special supper on Christmas eve.

Cattle kneel in their stalls at midnight, on Christmas eve, and for a moment have the power of speech. This belief, an old German legend, has been broadened to include all animals.



Napoleon played solitaire constantly while in exile on St. Helena.



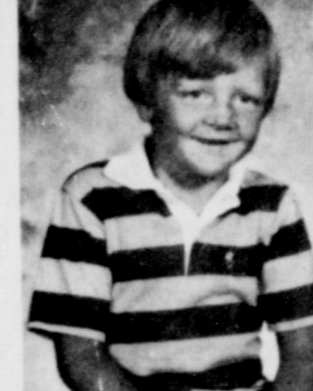
People once measured rank by the length of the toes of their shoes. Some dandies wore shoes 2 1/2 feet long and tied the toes to the knee with chains.



TODD AND JASON GROGAN, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Grogan, Wilson.



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ROUND TABLE

King Arthur's Round Table is traditionally believed to have been the site of the first Christmas feast. References to the famous king have been traced back to as early as 600 A.D.



MISTIE AND DUSTIE COOK, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Cook.



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WHITE HOUSE CHRISTMAS TREE

In 1923, the first National Community Christmas Tree in the United States was set up on the White House lawn. The tree was a spruce from President Calvin Coolidge's home state, Vermont.

The following year, he presided at a ceremony under the sponsorship of the American Forestry Association, to urge the use of living Christmas trees.

merry Christmas

We're happy to be of service to you all the year round, and happy to extend good wishes for your happiness and joy this festive season.

GUZMAN TEXACO

WILSON, TEXAS

Greetings

It's our favorite time of year and one of the most enjoyable customs of the season is greeting our many good friends and patrons and wishing them the best that life has to offer. Merry Christmas to you all!

Wilson Insurance

WILSON, TEXAS

Christmas Wishes

Warm ones. And thanks for your continued good will and confidence.

Tom Cloe Texaco, Inc.

Merry Christmas

When we count our blessings at Christmas time we think of friends like you and wish you a beautiful holiday in a beautiful world!

Higginbotham-Bartlett Lumber Co.

Greetings

The season's warm glow is filling the air with happiness and cheer, laughter and joy.

And as we celebrate this special time, we want to take a moment to thank you for your valued patronage and good friendship.

Production Credit Association

A Word To The Wise... Selecting Safer Toys

Awareness on the part of holiday buyers can help eliminate needless accidents with flimsy or poorly constructed toys. These guidelines will help responsible Christmas shoppers make safe selections:

Be sure the toy is suitable to the child's age, and ability and that the instructions are easy to follow.

Toys that release small objects if broken are dangerous. Toys or dolls with button eyes, or pieces that can come loose easily, should be avoided as gifts for younger children. A small child could choke on any of these.

Be on the alert for sharp edges and corners or pointed objects.

Small fingers could be trapped in small, tight spaces. Check for these.

Most toys, games and dolls are packaged by the time they reach the store. Examine the open sample carefully before making your selection. You'll be happy you did!



Hope the holiday season lifts
your spirit with happiness, laughter.
Thanks to all the folks
we have had the pleasure of serving.

JOLLY TEXACO

Letters to Santa



Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 8 years old. I have been a good girl this year. Please bring me a Tuesday Taylor doll, talking clock, Ken doll. Also, bring my little niece Leslie a table and chairs set.

I love you,
Amber McNeely

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like to have a guitar, a "Come Back" dollie, a little girl's sewing machine, and let me see, a purse and a baking set, cookie and cake set. I guess that's enough.

Have a safe trip and come to my house.

I love you,
Cara Etheredge

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a very good boy this year. I want everyone to have a very happy Christmas this year.

I want a SSP race car set, the ones that run on a track. One big model of a jet and a pinball machine.

I would like for my PaPa to have lots of spotted horses this year.

For my Nana, I want her to have some Charlie perfume and good health.

I want my mother to have a degree from college (LCC) for her Christmas.

Thank you.

Love,
Jason Spence

Rt. 4
Tahoka, Texas
December 2, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good boy I have done good in school to I worked hard in school for a present I want boxing gloves because the ones I have are torn I want a dirt bike I will right a thank you letter

Love
Danny Ibarra

Rt. 1
Wilson Texas 79381
December 2, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like some drums, a chemistry set, and an alarm clock with yosempthly sam on it.

I have been a good boy.
Se you at Christmas.

Love Brad Morrow

Rt. 4
Tahoka, Texas
December 2, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good and bad. But I try to be good and I hope you will bring me a Goofy Club and a new car and a walkie talkie but I want a new refrigerator for my mother and a new set of tools for my father and a new baby bed for my baby sister.

Love,
Johnny Vasquez

"No one can give you better advice than yourself." Cicero

Box 181
New Home Tex. 79383
December 2, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,
I've been a good boy all year. For Christmas I want an NFL football and a Dallas Cowboy football shirt (#12) and a helmet too. I like you alot and I hope you will bring me the stuff I want.

Love,
Clay Jacobs
P.S. My sister said, "Hi."

Box 188
New Home, Texas
December 2, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl! For Christmas I would please like a Thank You letter stationary, Baby Alive, two walkie talkies, Charles Angels dolls, Sew Magic sewing machine.

I will set out some milk and cookies for you and your reindeer at Christmas.

Oh yes (would you get mother a silver thimble and dad a new black tie?)

Love, Sincerely and all that sort of stuff,

Angie Gray
P.S. I forgot a stocking full of toys for me, my dog and cat.

Rt. 1, Box 103
Wilson, Texas 79381
December 2, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl. I want a bike. And my brothers and sisters want a bike. And I want a doll house.

Love,
Terri Tillman

Rt. 1
Wilson Tex.
December 2, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like for you to bring me a pottery maker. My brother wants a pair of skates. My sister wants a new doll. I would like for you to bring my mother a new dress. My dad wants a new lamp.

Your friend,
Perry Wayne Haley

P.O. Box 102
New Home, Texas
December 2, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,
I've been a good girl this year and I'd only like three things this year.

Bike
Sew perfec
Gumball machine

My sister Jennie has been good too. Would you bring her this?

A Fisher Price doll.

Your friend,
Judie Parsons

Box 213
New Home, Texas
December 2, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a little car, one that you handle your self. One more thing I want is a watch for Christmas. I hope that each person gets what he or she wants for Christmas. Thank you.

Love,
Georgie Roman

THE ULTIMATE TOUCH
Christmas card senders who want to complete the seasonal appearance of their greetings are using postmarks from Christmas, Florida; Santa Claus, Indiana; Snowball, Arkansas; and Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. They send their addressed cards to the postmasters for mailing and postmarking.

Route 4
Tahoka, Texas
December 2, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been trying to be a good boy.

I want an Electric football game and a football suit or an Electric race car set or tractor truck.

Your friend,
Ronnie Klint Forbes

Rt. 4 Box 103
Lubbock Texas
December 2, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,
I've been a good little boy. I want a total control racing set, a pogo stick, a new train, and a chutes away.

And Sherri wants some Holy Hobbie things.

Troy wants a chutes away.

Love,
Lance Swinson



Calamity Jane, the Western folk hero, was married a dozen times.

Box 173
New Home, Texas
December 2, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a new bike and a doll for Christmas. And I want a tea set and baby cloths for the doll. I want the doll that wets, opens her eyes and closes them, and drinks a bottle. a little sewing machine and some jewelry. I want the sewing machine that is called sew perfect.

Love,
Belinda Lester

**A unique gift
for your home**

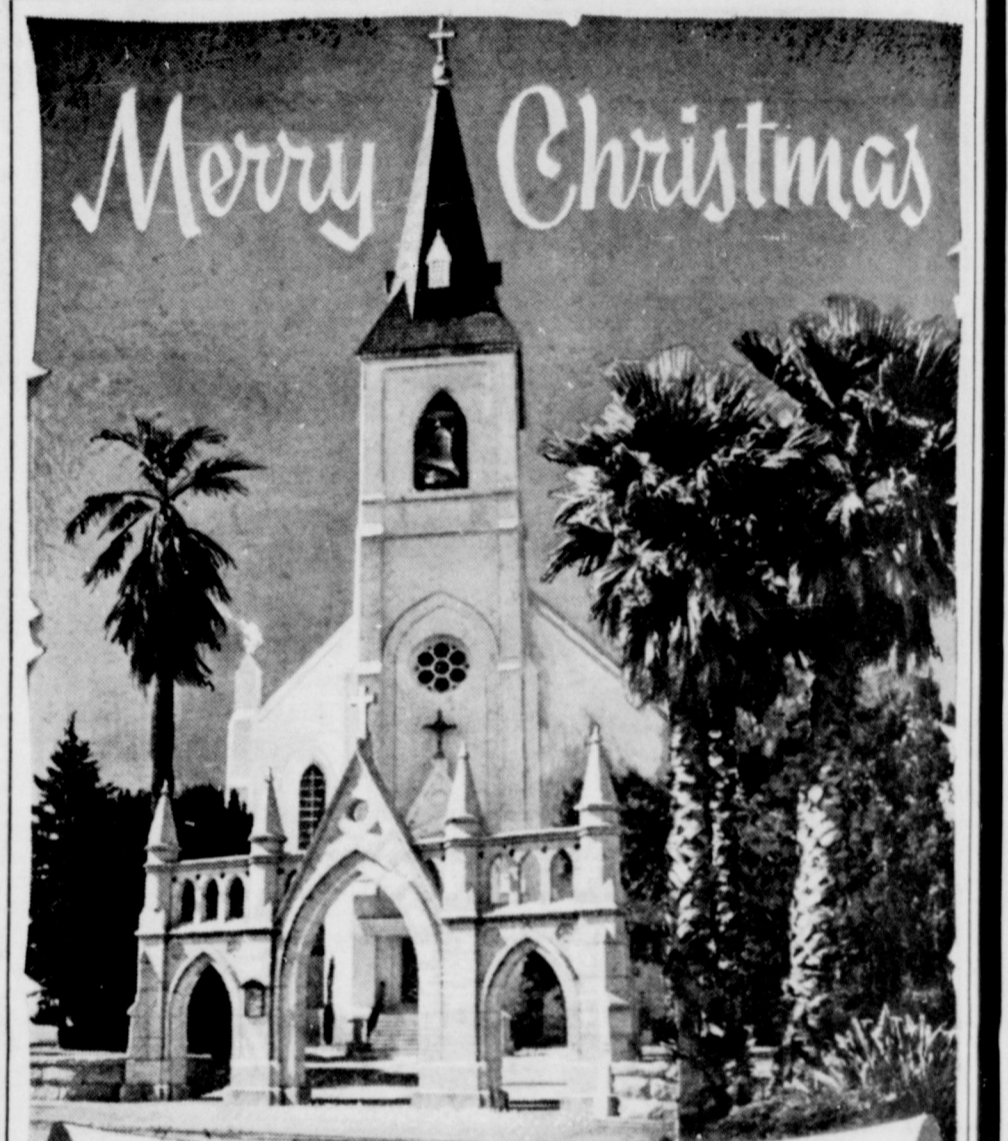
Make a shadow box picture for your house from those extra special Christmas cards that you hate to throw away and left-over ties, stickers and labels. Combine them with snapshots of the family and glue onto cardboard. Pick up a shadow box frame at an art supply or frame shop, put your picture in, and it's ready to hang! A real conversation piece!

Burning the Yule Log

The burning of the Yule log is a custom handed down by the English who settled in America. On Christmas eve the log, set on the hearth, is kindled with the remains of the log from the previous year. Many superstitions surround the Yule log. It was thought by some to protect their home from evil spirits, others thought the ashes would help swollen glands! At Williamsburg Lodge, in Williamsburg, Virginia, the burning of the Yule log is still part of their traditional holiday celebration.

Christmas Eve Legend
In Iceland, Christmas Eve is the holiest night of the entire holiday season. Legend has it that on the night before Christmas, many years ago, dwarfs, elves and other "little folk" danced in the streets.

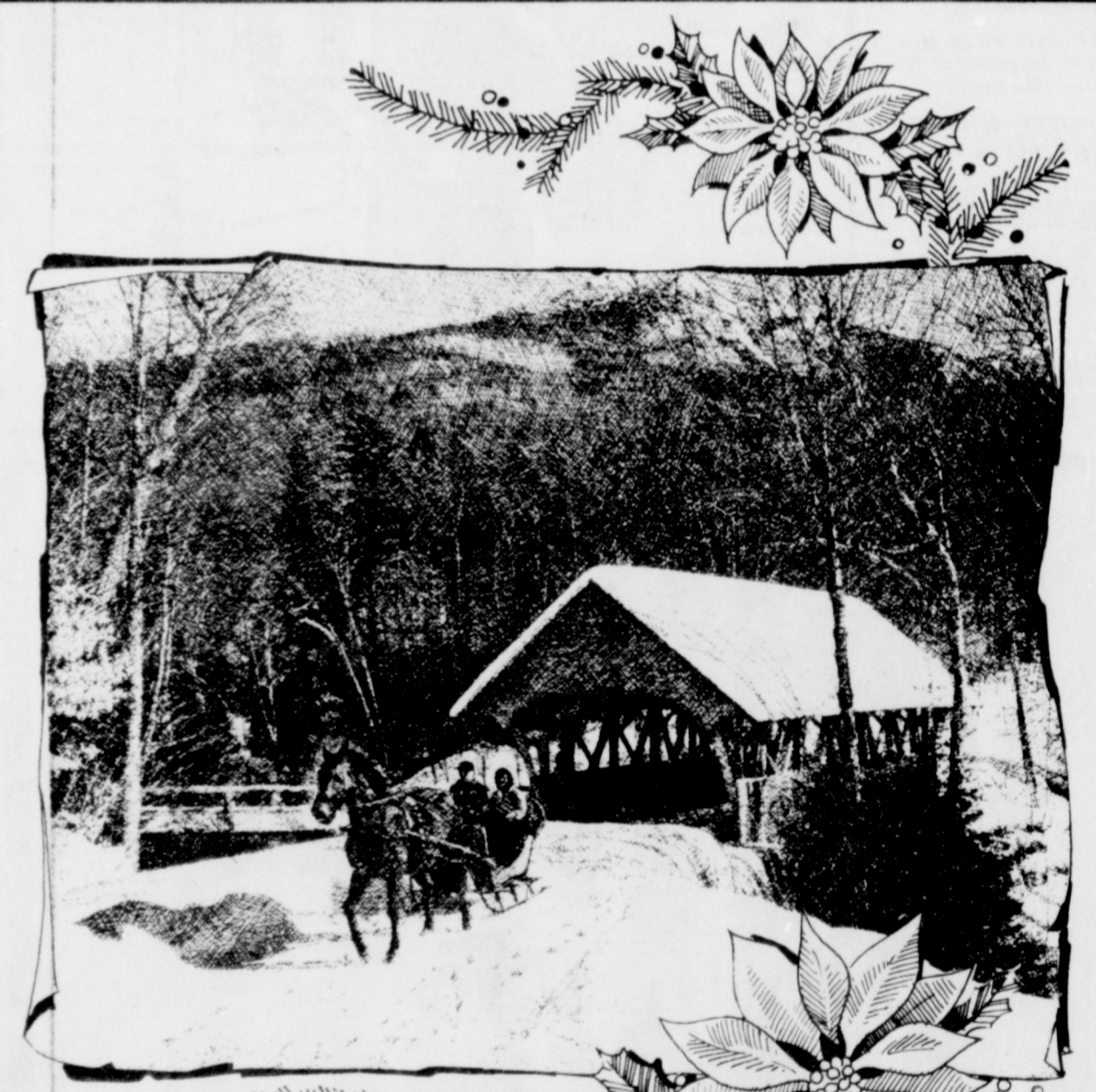
"When our integrity declines, our taste does also."
La Rochefoucauld



The wonder of Christmas strengthens the bonds of brotherhood, fills joyous hearts with peace and gives pause to us all as we look ahead with hope. Heartfelt thanks for your faith and trust.

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GREETINGS for CHRISTMAS

As an expression of our thanks and good will, we are extending to all our friends and neighbors our very best wishes for a joyous and memorable Yuletide season.

John Edwards Shop
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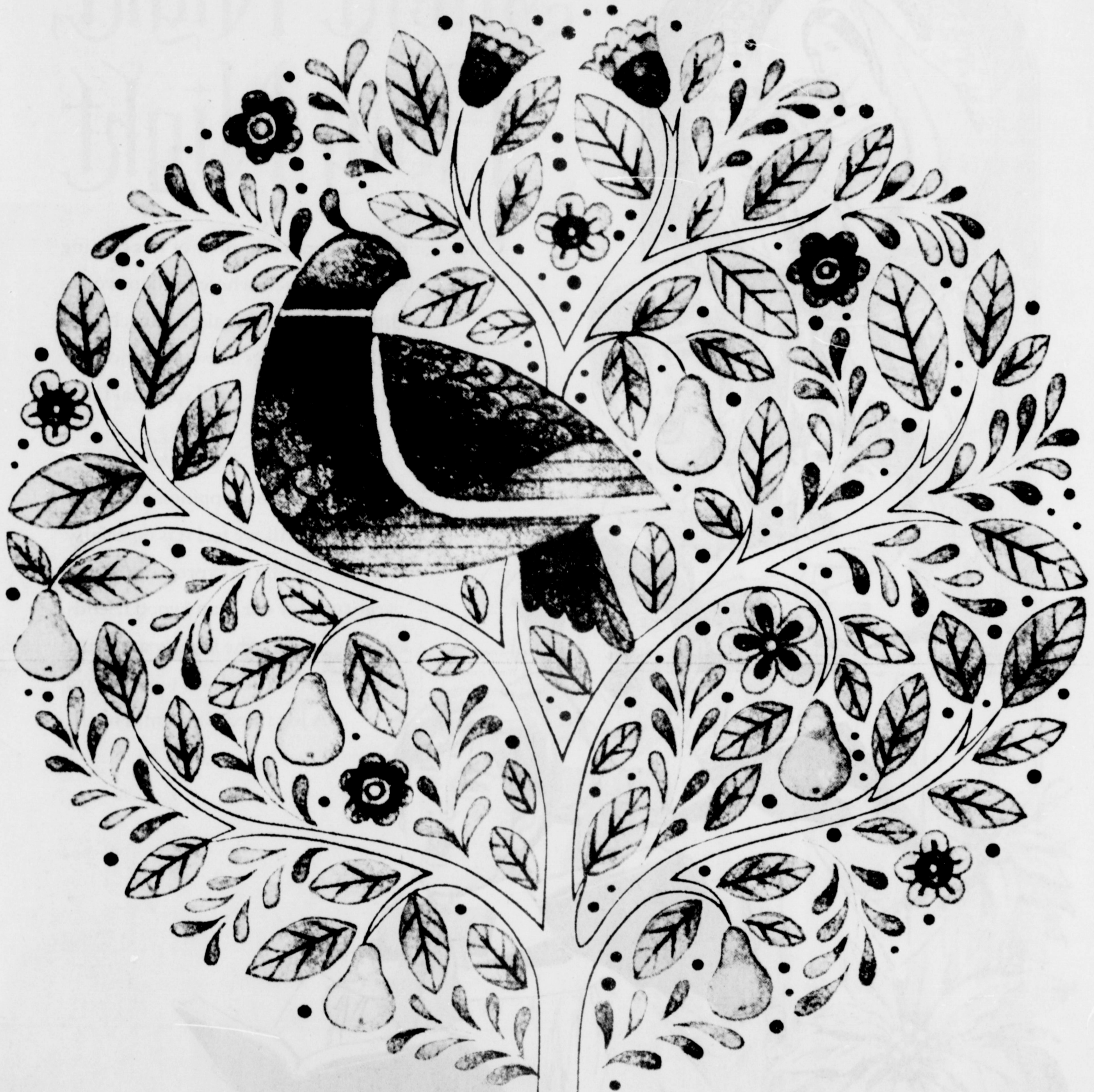


May the peace and serenity of this holiday season fill you with hearthside warmth. For your kind patronage, our thanks.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

WEST POINT GIN

Have a Merry Christmas.



The First National Bank of Tahoka

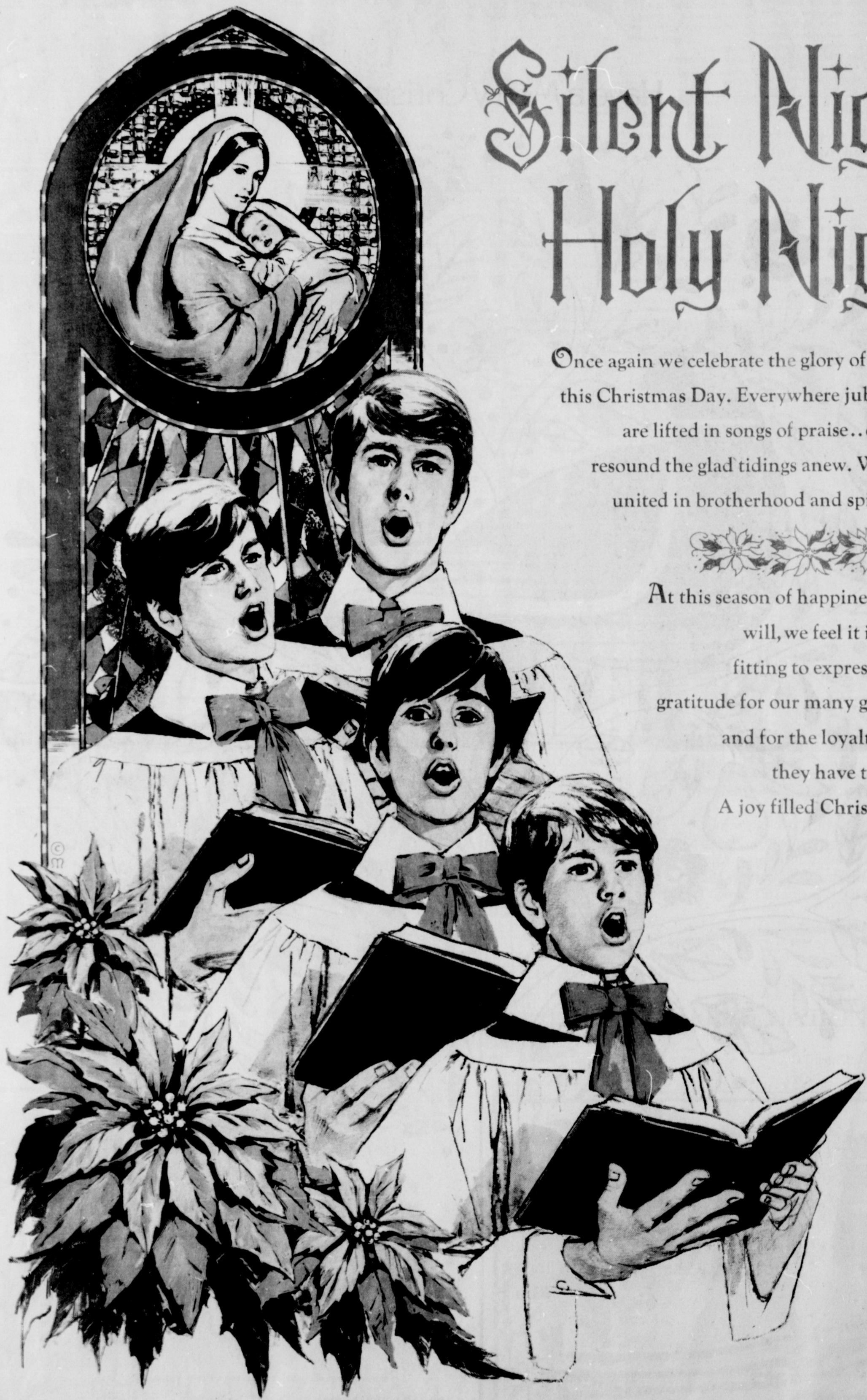
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Silent Night, Holy Night

Once again we celebrate the glory of His coming this Christmas Day. Everywhere jubilant voices are lifted in songs of praise.. church bells resound the glad tidings anew. We rejoice... united in brotherhood and spiritual faith.



At this season of happiness and good will, we feel it is especially fitting to express our warm gratitude for our many good friends and for the loyalty and trust they have tendered us. A joy filled Christmas to all!

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