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Poe's corner

by Charlie Poe

Christmas Plus

There are many advantages in converting a hospital into a home and one of them is the privilege of entertaining an entire church as Jim and Jackie Shipman did Sunday when the Hopewell Church members were served a Christmas dinner with church services following, conducted by Jim who is the pastor.

The Christmas decorations begin with a handmade wreath of pine cones and greenery on the front door. A goldtone wreath adorns the rattan divider which blocks the view of the hall leading back to the living quarters. Passing through the attractive living room, one sees the hall which is floored in Italian tile. The wall to the right features mirror strips on fabric wall paper. This furnishes a background for the large golden balls that swing above little white birds nestled in dogwood trees. On the left is an antique picture of Mother and Babe which hangs above a low cabinet. An antique winter scene completes this group.

The focal point of interest in the hall is a onetime nurses station which has been converted into an atrium. At present it is graced by a tall Christmas tree decorated with birds and glittering baubles, each has a story of its own. Back of the tree on a mound of cotton snow sits a baby deer and an antique sleigh filled with gaily decorated packages. The snow is outlined with greenery and colored lights. Christmas music can be heard when they are lighted. Hanging on the wall are a Santa handmade of sequins, a winter scene of 1880, and a green felt tree and packages nestled in a basket lid frame, created by the Shipman's daughter. Columns are festooned with red and green taffeta bows and pine cones.

Across from the atrium by the right wall stands an antique pulpit brought from an old building in Colorado Springs. It features an old fashioned family in velvet suits caroling on a snowy hillside, their houses are nestled below. Marble candlesticks, candles, and the family Bible backed by the picture of a window frame in snow complete the scene.

The problem of light has been solved by adding three large skylights above the atrium and a small one on each end of the hall running east and west. Crystal lights at intervals also help with the decor. Ten wooden columns topped by beams placed at intervals cut the height of the nine foot ceilings. Oriental throw rugs on the solid color inlaid floors help to minimize the length of the hall. A touch of elegance is added by hand carved, high back chairs with velvet seats. These are interspersed with stands and small tables holding poinsettias and figurines. One of Mary, made by a son in the fifth grade, is painted gold. It is used every year at Christmas.

Jackie is making a corner in the east hall for her "golden oldies" and already has some early family pictures hung. The old nursery now holds her pot plants. The temperature can be controlled and they will later be returned to the atrium. The delivery room has become the laundry room.

Jim's latest improvement is French doors to take the place of swinging doors into the living quarters. The old operating room is now a cozy den with a wood burning stove and several comfortable leather couches. The glass block windows are covered with sheer curtains and outlined with natural green cedar. On a table stands a three story lighted house with carolers standing by. Above this table are three hand painted angels on a blue background that came from a church.

Back of the stove hangs eighteen stockings for all the members of the family, each in a different design. These include the two daughters and two sons, their spouses and the eight grandchildren: seven boys and one girl. The area on the west includes dining room furniture with an Oriental rug under the table. An eight foot bar, chair height, nearby makes it possible to take care of large crowds. Entertaining is done here. The walls are decorated with Jackie's collections of plates and tins. There is also a grapevine wreath that features an old fashioned doll and small apples.

Dough wreaths and dolls have been made by some of the children and hang above the kitchen sink. The shelf holds Christmas mugs. "All the children have mugs with their names which are kept in their rooms," said Jackie. She also has a set of Christmas dishes and glasses. Everytime she introduces anything new, the children expect to see it again the following year. Jackie admits she is in trouble. Last year she had a candle at each child's plate, each with a different symbol. They were all burned up and she cannot find anymore.

Another plus for this type building is that the Shipmans have room for all their children to be home at the same time. With five bedrooms and 3 1/2 baths there is no problem. The last nursery used at the hospital is now their private nursery with two baby beds and a changing center. The nursery has its own lavatory and its own decorations. The shelves hold a small Christmas tree decorated with tiny crocheted animals. A wooden train carrying candy canes and Santa sponges for baths are



An old-fashioned Christmas

A real sleigh from the North Dakota snow country is lined with presents awaiting the arrival of the family of Jim and Jackie Shipman, whose beautifully decorated and remodeled home was formerly the old Winters Hospital.

also provided. Even the nursery occupants have their rugs with names written on them.

The first guest bedroom has bedspread and balloon curtains to match the fabric wall back of bed. Colors are cream, green, yellow, and burnt orange which is the color of the headboard. There is a nativity scene with angel and flowers in harmonizing colors. The bedroom across the hall has a white tree with silk ornaments. A straw wreath with white doves and pink ribbon complete the room. Finger tip towels and an angel will be added in the bath.

The boys bedroom is at the southeast end of the building. They will have their own tree decorated in handmade ornaments and candy canes. They have hand made snowflakes and other objects made in school and vacation Bible School through the years. They will also have their own nativity scene.

With all of the holiday trappings that Jackie keeps from year to year she is most grateful for a room that will be used only for this purpose. This is another plus for the home. Another is a dressing room, which she had always wanted. She has converted an old pie safe into a linen closet. A crocheted lap throw hangs on the open door while a needlepoint brown teddy bear, and lamp, can be seen on top. The white grill work tea cart holds favorite magazines also an angel candle and holder. A pink velvet and lace bow supporting mistletoe and an angel decorate the mirror to her dressing table. Her bath is in earth tones with a touch of blue. The master bedroom is in green and brown. The ceiling fan has antique fixtures. A Texas Star quilt of many colors adds to the decor.

The Shipmans have spent many hours working on the

5,400 square foot structure. He is a builder and contractor as well as a preacher and has not spent a dime on labor, wiring, or electricity. Their plans for the future include finishing his study and work on the outside. The west wing has also to be renovated. It will be made into a game room.

Jim notes another plus — the building can be kept warm by 24 hours without any fire after it is heated. It can also be kept cool that long. There is a central heating system, but each bedroom has its own air conditioner. "If we get tired of one room we can always move to another," said Jim, "also we can close off any space that we don't need," this is another advantage.

Jackie is a native of Winters. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Briley. We are glad the Shipmans have chosen Winters for their retirement. It is a plus for us. And we wish them many happy years in their new home.

CARD OF THANKS

My family joins me in taking this time to express my thanks for the prayers, cards, gifts, food, calls, flowers, the ones who delivered the flowers, and all other expressions of concern.

Thank you also to Brother James Powers and Brother Glen Shoemaker for their visits and prayers, and a sincere appreciation to Dr. Y.K. Lee and Dr. C.T. Rives and the entire staff of the North Runnels Hospital for all of their special care and concern.

Each of these and every other act of kindness and concern are deeply appreciated.
 — Pat Williams

San Angelo SS in Winters

Garland Gregg and John Willis, representatives for the San Angelo Social Security Office, have scheduled their January visit to Winters. They will be at the Housing Project Office on Monday, January 23rd between 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact them at this time.

"Good resolutions are simply checks that men draw on a bank where they have no account."
 — Oscar Wilde

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Yes, Virginia, There Is A Santa Claus!

A little girl's curiosity has led to a bit of Christmas philosophy that has since become a Christmas classic. One day — in December — in 1897, Virginia O'Hanlon wrote a letter to the New York Sun.

"I am eight years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. My papa says, 'If you see it in the SUN, it's so. Please tell me the truth—is there a Santa Claus?'"

Because we believe the reply with its message of keen, spiritual insight deserves reading again and again—we show it here. It was written by Francis E. Church, a writer for the old Sun.

Here it is:

"Yes, indeed!"

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age — they do not believe except what they see — they think nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds.

"All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus.

"He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginia. There would be no child-like faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies!"

"You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus — the most real things in the world are those neither children or men can see.

"Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there — nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders that are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, or even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond.

"Is it all real? ... Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus! Thank God — he lives, and he lives forever — a thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."

— Francis E. Church.



Mr., Mrs. C. C. Stephens to celebrate 65th Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Stephens will be honored Sunday, December 25, 1983, on their 65th wedding anniversary at the Winters Community Center from 2 to 4 p.m. The reception will be hosted by their children: Mary Casey of Winters; Laverne Kimberlin of Goldsmith; Naomi Fish of Midland; Juanita Kirkpatrick of Talco; David Stephens of Abilene; Troy Stephens of Princeton; Euel Stephens of San Antonio; and Cyril Stephens of Hico.

Mr. Stephens was born July 17, 1897, near Willpoint, Texas. Mrs. Stephens, the former Eula Crider, was born June 14, 1896, near Sandy, Texas. They first met in 1906 in Comanche Co. where they went to school together.

In December 1908, Cyril's family moved to Young Co., and Eula's family moved to Brown Co. They didn't meet again until October 1918 in Ellis Co. on a cotton picking trip. World War I was raging and they didn't make plans to marry until after the war ended. On November 11th they became engaged through the mail. They were married on December 25, 1918, in Brownwood, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephens lived in Young Co. for three years on a farm, then moved to Coleman Co. for a year. Following that, they moved to Brown Co. for two years and finally to Winters on January 23, 1925, where they still live.

Mr. Stephens has been engaged in carpentry during this time and has been honored as a first class builder. Mr. Stephens is semi-retired.

Mrs. Stephens enjoys a life of a happy and successful homemaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephens are members of the Assembly of God church, where he held positions as a deacon, Sunday school superintendent, secretary-treasurer, Sunday school teacher, and song leader. She taught Sunday school classes and was WMC president.

Friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend the reception.

The couple requests that no gifts be sent.

Lutherans plan cantata, play

The Lutheran Church will enjoy two special activities this week. On Friday night at 7 p.m., the Sunday School children will present a program entitled "Two Nights Before Christmas" under the direction of Mitzi Deike.

On Christmas Day at 10:40 a.m., the choir will present "Christmas Song of Songs," a cantata led by Erwin Henniger, accompanied by Mrs. Lester Geistman, organist.

The public is invited to attend.

Literary & Club meeting

The Christmas spirit was evident everywhere at the beautifully decorated home of Robert and Janice Prusser on Thursday night, Dec. 15th, when members of the Literary and Service Club met for their annual Christmas party, the theme of which was the "Magic of Christmas."

Other hostesses included Mrs. Calvin Helm, Mrs. Melton Kennedy and Mrs. Mike Conner. Both inside and outside the house, beautiful "snowflakes" dotted the windows and many other Christmas decorations, including a Christmas tree, decorated with ornaments that have been created by Janice and used by the family as a tradition for a number of years, with new ones being added from year to year.

On arrival, guests who had been met at the door by one of "Santa's elves," (Janice in person, dressed in a typically elf costume) were invited to a delectable refreshment table.

The president, Mrs. Martin Middlebrook called for a brief business meeting. Following a brief business meeting, which was opened with a prayer by Mrs. J.S. Tierce, Mrs. J.N. Clark, Sr. led the group in pledges to both the American and the Texas flags. Mrs. Martin Middlebrook, club president, welcomed a new member, Mrs. Kenneth W. Puckett to the club. A brief report was given by the federation's counselor, Mrs. E.E. Thormeyer. The meeting was then turned to Mrs. Henry Sibley, who introduced the program, "The Magic of Christmas," by the Elf Janice, who gave a most entertaining and unique demonstration of the making of original Christmas tree ornaments and decorations, with each guest receiving one as a gift from Santa. Then, there was a gift for the tree.

Goodbyes, reluctantly,

Dorcas Class meeting

The Dorcas Class met December 13th at noon in the fellowship hall of the First Baptist Church for their regular meeting and Christmas luncheon. Verda Smith presided for a short business meeting.

Bro. Glenn Shoemaker voiced the opening prayer and thanks for the noon meal.

Following the meal, Mrs. Virginia Schwartz was introduced by Mrs. Smith who brought the devotional and Christmas thoughts using as her topic "Reminders of Christmas."

After the devotional, a gift exchange was enjoyed by Aletha Elder, Ann Grenwelge, Ethel Graham, Velma Hart, Alma Hughes, Vela Laird, Freida Robertson, Verda Smith, Nadine Smith, Alice Traylor, Stella White, Lillian Roberson, and new member Leudie Holbrooks. The visitors were Bro. and Mrs. Shoemaker and Angela, Pat Simpson, David and Jerrye Spiegel, and Jeff Heidenheimer.

The benediction was a song, "Silent Night," sung by David and Jerrye and Bro. and Mrs. Shoemaker.

Winters Young Homemakers

The Winters Young Homemakers would like to thank whoever anonymously donated \$100 to the Playground Equipment Fund. They greatly appreciate your thoughtfulness!

They were said, and wishes of happiness for a merry Christmas expressed as guests departed the "Christmas fairy land."

Those who attended included: Pam Conner, Charlene Curtis, Billie Sue Helm, Pinkie Irvin, Eula Mae Kruse, Mary Margaret Leathers, LeBelle Michaelis, Billie Middlebrook, Jan Prusser, Hostess: June Sibley, Darlene Sims, Nadeen Smith, Bunny Sullivan, Lela Thormeyer, Lucille Tierce, Wanda Puckett, Myra Dorsett, Shirley Brewer, and Ethel Mae Clark.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS

December 13
Clarence Coats
Bobby Stone
B.D. Hudson
Francine Miller
Francisca Gutierrez

December 14
Manuel Abalos
Kathleen Johnson

December 15
Jessica Tamez

December 16
Tarren Watson
Francine Miller
Willie Magee
Ella Lee Grant

December 17
Lee R. Walker
Debbie Hord
Joseph Miller

December 18
none

December 19
Glenn Hoppe, Sr.
Jeryl Priddy
Merle Bains
Carl Naughn
Shelley Meyer
Jame T. Sprinkle

DISMISSAL

December 13
none

December 14
Francine Miller

December 15
Manuel Abalos
George Papanas

December 16
Jessica Tamez
Comiller Jean
Raymond McMillan
Zora Hill

December 17
Francisca Gutierrez
Effie Kornegay

December 18
none

December 19
Kathleen Johnson

Audine Webb, Dennis McBeth engagement announced

Eva Audine Webb of Winters, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Webb, will wed Dennis Hoyt McBeth of Winters, son of Mr. Chester McBeth and the late Wilma McBeth.

They will be married December 23, 1983 at 2:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Winters.

Miss Webb is a 1982 graduate of University of Mary Hardin-Baylor. She teaches home economics in Winters.

McBeth graduated from West Texas State University. He is employed by Exxon.

Social security and refunds

Newlyweds and others who changed their names last year should report their new name to the Social Security Administration. The name and Social Security numbers on tax returns are matched with those of the SSA in processing the returns. Refunds can be delayed if the name and Social Security number do not match, IRS says.

Another good way to guard against unnecessary refund delays, the IRS says, is to use the peel-off identification label provided with the tax package. If the name, address, or Social Security number is incorrect, changes can be made directly on the label.

Don't cook light colored mushrooms in aluminum pans. It darkens them.



NEWCOMERS

Jarrod and Justin Hill proudly announce the birth of their little sister, Niki Lynette. She was born November 12, 1983, at Mother Frances Hospital in Tyler to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hill of Grand Saline. She weighed 6 lbs. 1 oz.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Walker, from Ben Wheeler, and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hill of Grand Saline, formerly with Winters.

Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Major Slider and Mrs. Maud Walker all of Ben Wheeler. Also Mrs. Earl Hill of Grand Saline and Mr. and Mrs. R.T. Watson of Burkett.

A Christmas Poem

The young mother (so very young!)

Smiles softly to behold Him

And takes a ragged swaddling cloth

To tenderly enfold Him

His infant eyes gaze upon A world of strife and sorrow

Does He see now the silent tree

Awaiting some tomorrow? But loving fingers take His hand

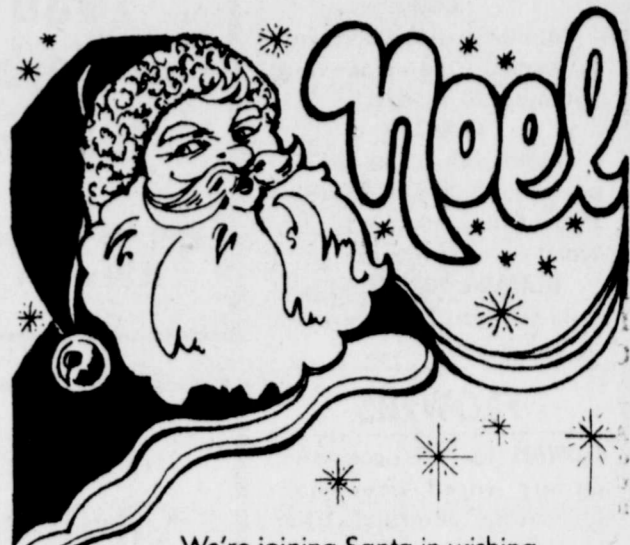
With playfulness, caressing;

He stretches infant arms to her,

As if in some new blessing The mother laughs with sweet delight

At this endearing game And speaks it for the first time:

His wondrous, holy Name.



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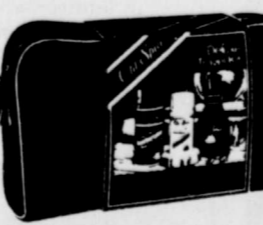
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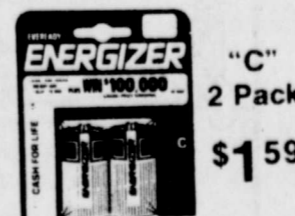
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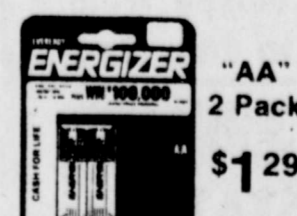
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FOR SALE

FOR SALE: Two Rat Terrier puppies, 7 weeks old, 1 male, 1 female, contact Don Davis at 754-5093. 39-tfc

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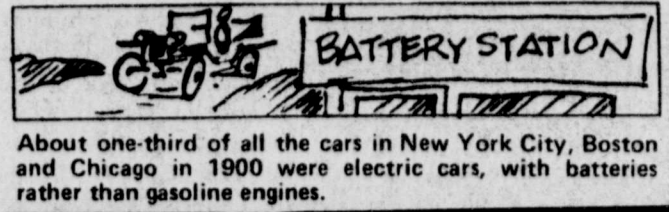
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by virtue of a certain Writ of Execution issued out of the Honorable 119 District Court of Runnels County 13th day of October 1983, by Loretta Michalewicz, Clerk of said 119th District Court of Runnels County for the sum of — \$3,711.12 — Dollars With interest thereon from the 13th day of October 1983, at the rate of 10 percent per annum, and costs of suit, under a Judgement, in favor of Rebel Energy Services, Inc. in a certain cause in said Court, No. 10,006 and styled Rebel Energy Services, Inc. Plaintiff vs. RKP, Inc. Defendant, placed in my hands for service, I, William Baird as Sheriff of Runnels County, Texas, did, on the 12th day of December 1983, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Runnels County, Texas, described as follows: To-wit: The Assignment of Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease dated March 15, 1982 of record in Volume 530, Page 177, Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas; Covering 100.05 acres of land in Runnels County, Texas, in two surveys, viz: 57.85 acres in the H&TC R.R. Co. Survey No. 337, Abstract No. 309, and 42.4 acres in the GC&SF R.R. Co. Survey No. 1, Abstract No. 615 and levied upon as the property of RKP, Inc. and that on the first Tuesday in January 1984, the same being the 03 day of said month, at the Court House door, of Runnels County, in the City Limits of Ballinger Texas, between the hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M., by virtue of said levy and said Writ of Execution I will offer for sale and sell at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of the said RKP, Inc. in and to said property.
And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Winters Enterprise, a newspaper published in Runnels County.
Witness my hand, this 12th day of December 1983.
William Baird
Sheriff Runnels County, Texas.
By Joe David West Deputy.
(December 15, December 22, December 29, 1983)



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REPORTS**



AUSTIN — When children fail to master reading, writing and math skills before high school graduation, many public school critics are quick to point an accusing finger at elementary education.

But the problem is more complex and touches on parents' support of education in the home, a child's willingness to learn, strengths and weaknesses in the school curriculum, and overall funding for education.

When a child fails to learn, it also raises serious questions about how Texas colleges and universities teach tomorrow's teachers. Polls have shown that the public is willing to accept some form of tax increase to support improvements in education and higher teacher salaries, but expects improved classroom instruction for its money.

Texas' education experts admit that teacher training programs, now offered at 64 Texas colleges and universities, are not as effective as they could be.

Academic standards and quality of teacher education programs must be upgraded even if this results initially in a reduction in the number of student teachers. Course requirements for education majors should be strengthened in English, math, science, and foreign languages.

I support new state competency test requirements for college students entering and exiting teacher education programs. Teacher candidates should demonstrate a basic knowledge of every subject in the general education program as well as an in-depth familiarity with the subjects they plan to teach.

Teaching techniques should not be emphasized at the expense of a thorough working knowledge of subject matter. It is just as important to know what to teach as how to teach.

But before graduation from college, prospective teachers should gain more practical classroom teaching experience. Too often student teachers complain that they do not have enough classroom contacts with children, particularly in the higher grades.

Additional classroom instruction experience would give student teachers more practice in maintaining discipline in the classroom. College education courses should teach different techniques in handling student behavioral problems, enabling student teachers to adopt an approach that will fit their individual needs.

Before Texas can attract and retain the brightest, most highly motivated people in the teaching profession, salaries must increase substantially. A new single set of standards for the teaching profession should be adopted, implemented, and reviewed on a regular basis by the State Board of Education. Teachers who fail to meet those standards should have the opportunity to take refresher courses to improve their skills.

Teaching is an honored profession and, as a society, we must demonstrate respect and support for our educators if we want our young people to value the importance of learning.

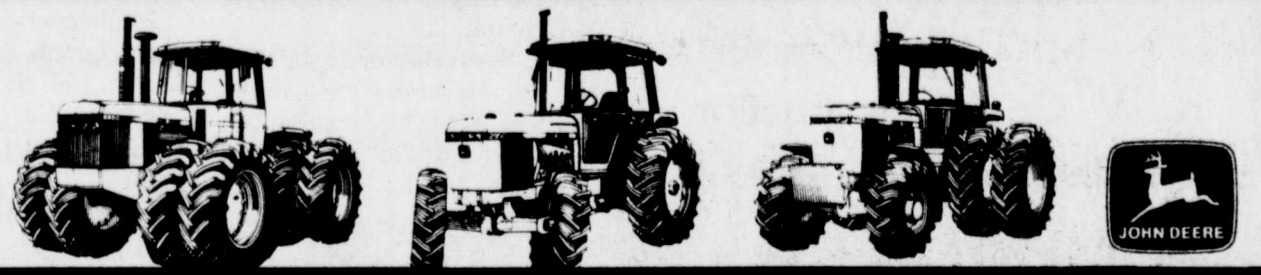
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45-hp 2150 MFWD	2,100	275	200	125
50-hp 2255	1,350	225	150	100
55-hp 2350	1,950	250	175	100
55-hp 2350 MFWD	1,950	325	225	150
65-hp 2550	2,700	300	200	125
65-hp 2550 MFWD	2,700	375	275	175
75-hp 2750	2,300	325	225	150
75-hp 2750 MFWD	2,300	450	325	200
85-hp 2950	2,600	425	300	175
85-hp 2950 MFWD	2,600	500	350	200
100-hp 4050	2,100	600	425	250
100-hp 4050 MFWD	2,100	750	525	325
120-hp 4250	2,300	650	475	275
120-hp 4250 MFWD	2,300	800	575	350
140-hp 4450	2,600	700	500	300
140-hp 4450 MFWD	2,600	850	625	375
165-hp 4650	3,100	875	625	375
165-hp 4650 MFWD	3,100	1,050	750	450
190-hp 4850	3,400	975	700	425
190-hp 4850 MFWD	3,400	1,100	800	475
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George Odom services held

Services for George Odom, 77, resident of Ballinger since 1918, were conducted by Reverend Winford Gore at the Rains-Seale Chapel Tuesday, December 20, at 2 p.m.

Burial followed in Evergreen Cemetery under direction of Rains-Seale Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Neuman Smith, Leo Cothrah, Monroe Werner, Elmo Gibson, Weldon Ashton, and Robert Booth.

A stock farmer, Odom was born June 1, 1906 in Bartlett to Alexander and Annie (Latham) Odom. He served as custodian with the Ballinger schools for 14 years and was known as an avid worker and doer. He was a member of First Christian Church.

He married the former Carrah Smithwick December 2, 1976, in Mertzon.

Odom died December 18 at 3:01 a.m. in the Ballinger Memorial Hospital.

He was preceded in death by his first wife Pearl who died October 9, 1953, and by his second wife Juanita who died April 1, 1974.

Survivors include his wife, Carrah of Ballinger; three sisters, Mrs. Milton Gibson, Mrs. Charlie Ashton, and Mrs. Bob Booth, all of Ballinger; and three nephews.

Rites held for Katie Bodine

Katie Era Bodine, 91, died at 1 p.m. Sunday at the Arlington Heights Nursing Center in Fort Worth.

She was born at Richland Springs on September 22, 1892. She married Jessie James Bodine October 11, 1911. She was a member of the Travis Avenue Baptist Church in Fort Worth.

Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. G.C. Walters and Mrs. Bill Brantley, both of Fort Worth, Mrs. Jean Huffman, Temple, and Mrs. M.L. Wood, Crews.

Also, a sister Eda Locker, Richland Springs; and seven grandchildren including Pat Wood Bryant, Giddings, Bobbie Wood Calcote, Winters, and Frances Wood Sevier, Big Spring; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, December 20, at the Laurel Land Chapel in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Bodine was preceded in death by her husband October 19, 1929, by a son Clyde April 25, 1940, and by a sister, Jenny Coffee.

Services for M. Huddleston

Margaret Huddleston, 68, of Clyde, died at 6:45 p.m. Wednesday at her home.

Services were held Friday at 10:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Clyde.

Burial was at Cisco Cemetery directed by Bailey Funeral Home.

Born on March 26, 1915, in Cisco, she married James W. Huddleston in January of 1932 in Cisco. They lived in Cisco, Brownwood, Winters, Andrews, Abilene, Odessa and Clyde. She was active in the First Baptist Church and the Senior Citizens Center and served on board of directors of the West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

She was a member of the Clyde Chapter of the Eastern Star and a past Worthy Matron.

Survivors include her husband; her mother, Annie Parks of Cisco; three sons, Ronald of Denver, Colorado, Randy of Midland, and Rodney of New Orleans; a daughter, Beverly Passow of Ft. Worth; and a brother, Spurgeon Brooks Parks, Jr. of Franklin, LA.

Carl Green services

Carl Green, 72, of Wingate, died early Monday afternoon at his daughter's home in Graham after a lengthy illness.

He was born June 23, 1911, in Glen Rose, he moved to Wingate with his family at an early age. He married Johnnie Fay Ellis on March 15, 1935, in Wingate. She preceded him in death on December 29, 1978. He was a farmer and a former Rannels County employee of Prect. No. 3. He was a member of the Wingate Church of Christ.

Services were held Thursday, December 15th, at 2:00 p.m. in the Winters Memorial Chapel with E.B. McCown of Abilene officiating.



A Visit from St. Nicholas

by Dr. Clement C. Moore

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house, Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse; The stockings were hung by the chimney with care, In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there.

With a little old driver, so lively and quick, I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick. More rapid than eagles his courses they came, And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name.

The children were nestled all snug in their beds, While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads; And Mamma in her kerchief, and I in my cap, Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap.

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter, I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter. Away to the window I flew like a flash, Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.

The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow Gave a lustre of mid-day to objects below, When, what to my wondering eyes did appear, But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer.

Survivors include a son, Johnny, of Duncan, Oklahoma; a daughter, Mrs. Bob Dunnam of Graham; six grandchildren; and 2 great grandchildren. Pallbearers were David Bryan, Charles Brewer, Arvin Childers, Jim King, Hollis Dean, J.B. Denson, Virgil Low, and Raymond Lindsey.

Wayne Morgan rites held

Wayne Morgan, 70, of Ballinger, died Friday, December 16, 1983, at the Ballinger Memorial Hospital.

Services were held Monday, December 19th, in the Chapel of the First Baptist Church at 2:00 p.m. Burial was in the Evergreen

And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof The prancing and pawing of each little hoof. As I drew in my head, and was turning around, Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.

He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf, And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself; A wink of his eye and a twist of his head Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work, And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk, And laying his finger aside of his nose, And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose.

He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle, And away they all flew like the down of a thistle. But I heard him exclaim ere he drove out of sight, "Happy Christmas to all... and to all a goodnight!"

The stump of a pipe he held tight to his teeth, And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath; He had a broad face and a little round belly, That shook when he laughed, like a bowl full of jelly.

Cemetery with Dr. Glen Willingham officiating.

Born September 8, 1913, in Cisco, he was the son of Ocie Kyle Morgan and Hattie Virginia Schneider Morgan. The retired civil service employ was a member of the Baptist church and the American Legion. He married Louise Lula Schneider on February 9, 1946, in Loraine, Texas.

Survivors include his wife; a sister, Gladys Mansell of Ballinger; and two aunts, Lela Jones of Ballinger and Vera Key of Ft. Worth.

Pallbearers were Larry Hays, Lonnie Cooker, John Lange, Leo Shelton, G.W. Sneed, and Jack Fry.

Rites held for Minnie Motley

Mrs. J.D. "Minnie Lee" Motley, 92, a resident of Ballinger since 1972, died at 8:15 a.m. Friday, December 16, 1983, at the Ballinger Memorial Hospital.

Services were held Monday, December 19th, at 9:30 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church. Burial was at Forest Oaks Memorial Park in Austin with Don Shepherd officiating.

Born April 30, 1891, in Rialto, Texas, she was the daughter of Edward Corkill and Sarah Vining Corkill. The homemaker was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and the Order of the Eastern Star. She married John Douglas Motley on March 12, 1911 in Kerrville. He preceded her in death on November 13, 1963.

Survivors include two daughters, Elsie Connelly of Ballinger, and Elizabeth Wilde of Dolan Springs, Colorado; a son, Douglas Corkill Motley of Grand Prairie; eight grandchildren; 18 great grandchildren; and three great

grandchildren. Pallbearers were Eldon Etier, Nueman Smith, Theo Isbell, Bill Stultz, Chester Afflerback, and Bill Sykes.

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Made a manger's cradle bright.

There a darling baby lay,
Pillowed soft upon the hay;
And its mother sung and smiled:
"This is Christ, the holy Child."
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Elementary students pose in a nativity scene on stage at the Winters High School as the first graders sing of Jesus' birth.

same.

A refreshment plate was served to Mes. Winnie Oden, Ida Oden, Fern English, Juanita McRorey, Gracie Spence, Mary Louise Alderman, Inez Tucker, Margaret Stout, Bobby Barrett, and Savannah Thompson.

Beginning in January, the UMW will meet twice each month until next June.

The Family Night Supper was held in the fellowship hall of the United Methodist Church at 6:30 p.m. Friday, December 9th with 31 attending.

The Rev. Weldon Tucker voiced the invocation. After the supper, Mrs. Inez Tucker played a very interesting game and there were gifts exchanged and then a time of visiting was enjoyed.

Those attending were the Rev. and Mrs. Weldon Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Seale, Mr. and Mrs. Ike Pate, Mr. and Mrs. R.Q. Spence, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Sanderson and James Lee, Mr. Roy Sanderson, Mr. Larry Oden, Mrs. Mary Louise Alderman and grandchildren, Doyle Lee, Robert, and Carrie Parson, Mrs. Billy Hood and children, Brad, Amy, and Kathy, Mrs. Leonard Mulanax and daughters, Heather and Amber. Also there were Mes. Juanita McRorey, Josie Craig, Ida Oden, Savannah Thompson, Winnie Oden and two visitors, Ernestine Harris from San Angelo and Marla Self who was visiting with the Hood children.

Bronte. Mes. Thelma Smith, Eula Nabors, Thelma Conradt, Josie Craig, Eppie Crain, Willie Stevens, Savannah Thompson, Juanita McRorey, and Miss Bertha Smith were also there.

A plate was carried to Austin Jordan and Mrs. Susie Bryant who were unable to attend.

The Senior Citizens meet the second Tuesday of each month and all senior citizens of the community are invited to come, bring a covered dish, and enjoy the games and visiting.

The United Methodist Women of the Blackwell United Methodist Church met Monday, December 12th at 3:00 p.m. in the Oak Creek Lake home of Mrs. Laura Seale with all members attending and with Mrs. Seale as hostess.

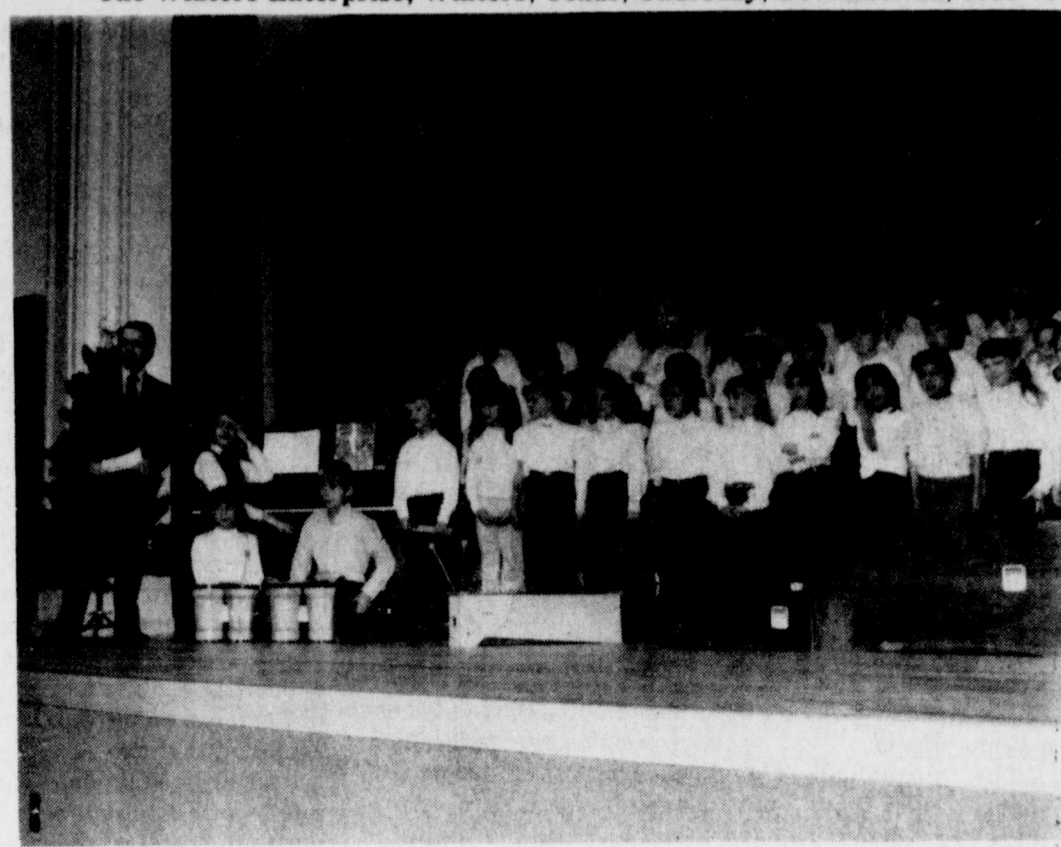
Mrs. Winnie Oden presided and opened with prayer by Mrs. Inez Tucker. A short business session was held.

The Christmas program, entitled "Mary's Song," was to have been given by Esther Smith, who was unable to attend, so Winnie Oden gave it. She began the program by reading 20 verses from Luke, and then she had Mary Louise Alderman to read a poem entitled "The Cherokee Christmas." Fern English then gave the first part of the program and cosed her part with prayer voicing it herself. Juanita McRorey gave the second part and then Gracie Spence closed the program by reading the prayer from the program book.

After the program was closed, Winnie handed out the new program books for the new year to each one attending. She then installed the officers for the new year: president, Inez Tucker; vice president, Margaret Stout; all other officers remained the



A stocking full of good Christmas cheer now and through the new year.



Conclusion

The third graders sang last in the primary Christmas program, accompanied by Judy Holloway at the piano. Mrs. Holloway directed the program, L.C. Hounsel, elementary principal, left, looks on as parents take pictures.

Blackwell

By Savannah Thompson

The Senior Citizens of Blackwell met at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday morning in the fellowship hall of the Blackwell United Methodist Church with 28 in attendance for their games of cards, dominoes, and 42. A covered dish luncheon was served at noon and afterwards a lot of visiting.

The Rev. Weldon Tucker, pastor of the United Methodist Church, gave the invocation and

then "Happy Birthday" was sung to Mr. Charley Strickland who has a birthday in December.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Herman Seale, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Murray, Mr. and Mrs. W.T. Hagler, Mr. and Mrs. Kay Corley, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Corley, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ware, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Strickland, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Noble, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Tucker, and Sam Sissom from

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

May the gentle joys of this blessed season be with you and your family this Christmas and always.

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Greetings of the Season



May this Christmas gladden the hearts of all with the true meaning of the season. Best wishes to all our good patrons.

WINTERS WELDING WORKS

Talpa

By Maggie Ruth Stokes

We had fair attendance at the Immanuel Baptist Church Sunday morning in spite of the cold weather. We had 38 people turn out for the Christmas supper and program. The temperature was 16 degrees but we enjoyed the tree and seeing the children do their program.

We wish we could have moisture with this extreme cold we're having. It will be hard on the small grain, do hope it doesn't freeze and die.

Angela Hicks hurt her ankle in an accident at the Novice Basketball Tournament. It's in a splint and she will go to the doctor in a few days to see how it's doing.

Cass, Pat Cassaday, and Zane went to Llano on Saturday to visit Jewel Cassaday.

Kenneth and Jo McWilliams had their sons, Craig and family of Abilene, Kerry and family of Lake Palestine, home for an early Christmas this weekend.

Orby, Thelma Sikes, Alta Hale were in our home Monday night for 42 and domino games.

Andy McCarson is home from college at Lubbock for the Christmas holidays. He plans to attend Angelo State next semester.

Fred Andrews from Oklahoma City visited Everett and Eva Evans over the weekend.

Bud and Doris Watson, Midland, and Bertie Stove were in Georgetown Sunday to see their daughter Gail Watson Engvall of Dallas receive her physical therapy degree from Southwestern University. The Watsons spent Sunday night with Bertie and returned home Monday.

Don and Ralphene Davis had their grandson Kent Moser from Friday to Sunday. Kandra Moser was with her grandparents the Robert Moser's of Valera the same days.

The first kindergarten was established in Germany in 1840 by Friederick Froebel.

JOY TO ALL

To our friends and patrons... we wish you a season full of all the joys of Christmas.

ACE AUTOMOTIVE

HERBED SALMON BALL

1 can (15-1/2 oz.) Bumble Bee Red Salmon
1 package (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened
1 clove garlic, pressed
1/2 cup small curd cottage cheese
1/4 cup minced onion
1 teaspoon fines herbes, crumbled
1/2 teaspoon thyme, crumbled
1 cup chopped parsley
1/2 cup chopped walnuts
Crackers

Drain salmon. Remove skin, if desired. Mash bones. Combine cream cheese, garlic, cottage cheese, onion, fines herbes and thyme until well blended. Stir in salmon to blend. Chill 3 hours. Mixture will be soft. Roll in parsley and walnuts. Serve with crackers. Makes 4 servings.

SEASON'S BEST



Like the Wise Men of old, let us worship the new-born Prince of Peace — may He bless you and yours.

AMERICAN SUPPLY



HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Wishing abundant joy and happiness to all during this most beautiful of seasons, enough to last the whole year through.



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My Role in Upholding the Constitution

(Editor's note: the following speech by Marianne Mostad won third place in recent Voice of Democracy competition sponsored by the VFW Auxiliary.)

By Marianne Mostad
I am an American. This land, my liberties, they are the harvest received from the seeds planted by the writers of the Constitution. I live in a Democratic Society. Had it not been for the bloodshed of my forefathers, I would be an Englishman...or would I be a Communist?
The bloodshed is no longer necessary, but there are still battles to be won. Today, women are fighting for equal rights in a nation that boasts equality. Other battles challenging our Constitution are raging — in our schools,

where prayer has become questionable; in our nation's defense, where many believe the entire human race is being threatened by nuclear warheads; and in our work force, where people are fighting to get equal pay for equal work. As an American, it is my responsibility to confront these issues, to be loyal to the ideals set forth in the Constitution, and to stand up for my rights. If I disagree with the law, I should seek to change it through the amending process.

If I am to uphold the Constitution, I must first understand the ideals it is based upon. Some of these principles are federalism, separation of powers, a representative government, and popular sovereignty. Federalism is an equal division of power between state governments and national governments. A system of separation of powers insures that

no part of my government will become powerful enough to try to take away any of my rights. Because we are a nation of so many, it is impossible for individuals to have a direct hand in all government affairs, thus we have a representative government in which one elected man represents many voters. Popular sovereignty insures control by the majority, not the upper class.

After I have gained a clear understanding of these principles, I now have the responsibility of translating them into deeds. A very basic, yet powerful example is exercising my right to vote. As a youth, I will soon be granted this right, and I must study the candidates, the issues, and keep informed about the proceedings of the government so that I can make intelligent choices.

My country has given me so much, yet asked for so little. I travel on federal highways without charge and receive a free education. I owe it to my country to pay my taxes fairly and seek only benefits that are rightfully mine. I must be willing to serve, whether it be merely on jury duty or taking a position in the armed services. I should try to maintain respect and take part in civic affairs so in the future, I will know what is best for my country.

As Thomas Jefferson once said, "Some men look at constitutions with sanctimonious reverence and deem them, like the ark of the covenant, too sacred to be touched... But the laws and institutions of a nation must go hand in hand with the progress of the human mind." Our forefathers realized this and so they created a broad, flexible, and farsighted document that has stood strong for 200 years.

So much of what I am and what I have, I owe to the founders of the Constitution of the United States. It is my duty to preserve, build upon, and transmit these blessings unimpaired to posterity.

Winters Young Homemakers

The Winters Young Homemakers would like to thank the following people and businesses for their help in making our Christmas Parade float a success: Ernest Thormeyer, use of building; Dry Manufacturing, cardboard boxes; Gilbert Minzenmayer, trailer; Rodney Faubion, driver; John Spill, work on float; and Winters Meat Processing, paper. **MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

Scouts party and awards

The Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts had their annual Christmas party on December 13, 1983, at 7 p.m. at the Scout Hut. A great time was enjoyed by all. They also had an award ceremony.

The following Cub Scouts received awards: Mitchell Caffey, gold arrow and silver arrow under bear badge; Jason Stewart, silver arrow under bear badge; Russell Parramore, wolf badge, gold arrow; Ben Joe Barker, wolf badge, gold arrow; Jamey West, wolf badge, gold arrow; Josh Await, wolf badge, gold arrow; Justin Hooper, wolf badge, gold arrow; Josh Bahlman, wolf badge, gold arrow; Pat Oliver, Bobcat badge, wolf badge, gold arrow; Brandon Boles, scientist, athlete, outdoorsman, citizen, scholar, artist, forester, Webelos badge, 2 year service star and 2 year attendance bar; Johnny Rodriguez, artist, forester, Webelos badge, scholar, 2 year service star and 2 year attendance bar; Chris Briley, scholar, artist, forester, Webelos badge; Jode Walker, outdoorsman, citizen, athlete, scientist, artist, forester, scholar, Webelos badge; John Austin, artist, forester, scholar, Webelos badge, 2 year service star and 2 year attendance bar; Billy Witte, Bobcat badge, tri-colors, citizen, artist, athlete, and scholar.

Den 1 of the Cub Scouts presented their ribbons they won at the pushmobile derby in Abilene in November to be put on display at the Scout Hut. The trophy they won was presented to Lanny Bahlman to be placed on display at the Winters State Bank.

The Boy Scouts also received some awards: Raul Rodriguez, citizenship and camping skill, tenderfoot badge; Lance Bellis, citizenship, camping skill, tenderfoot badge; J'Dan Miller, citizenship, camping skills, tenderfoot badge; Billy Holland, citizenship, camping skill, tenderfoot badge, Russell Stewart, citizenship, camping skill, tenderfoot badge; Rickey Hobbs, star badge; and James Carrillo, star badge.

Strict DWI laws January 1

A minimum jail term is mandatory for any person convicted two or more times for DWI under a stricter Texas law effective January 1, 1984.

Colonel Jim Adams, DPS director and chairman of the task force which recommended tougher DWI legislation, said the new law should close the back door in the criminal justice system for repeat offenders.

"Deferred adjudication, which allowed repeat violators to wipe the slate clean after each DWI arrest, will be eliminated

under this new statute," Adams pointed out.

"Even if probation is given, a conviction record will be established for the offender and this record can be used in subsequent prosecution of any additional drunk driving charges. Jail time is mandatory as a condition of probation beginning with the second DWI conviction," he continued.

The new law provides increased penalties for DWI convictions. Conviction on first offense DWI carries a fine of \$100 to \$2,000 with a jail term ranging from 72 hours to two years. A second offense conviction is punishable by jail time ranging from a minimum of 15 days up to two years with a fine of \$300 to \$2,000.

Conviction for third and subsequent DWI offenses carries a fine of \$500 to \$2,000 and confinement in jail for a minimum of 30 days to two years or in the state penitentiary for 60 days to five years.

Minimum terms of confinement are increased by 60 days and fine limits are raised by \$500 if the DWI offense results in serious

bodily injury to another person.

If a drunk driver is found to be responsible for a traffic fatality, the law prescribes a mandatory term for the violator.

Adams said the revised DWI statute will aid in the prosecution of drunk drivers.

"Under the present law, a person is only presumed to be intoxicated if tests reveal a blood alcohol concentration of .10 per cent or more," Adams said.

"The new law establishes that a driver is definitely too drunk to drive at the .10 per cent level."

The revised statute also contains provisions for automatic 90-day suspension of driving privileges for refusal to submit to an alcohol chemical test. The refusal also will be admissible evidence in the driver's trial. The drunk driver's vehicle may be confiscated and sold upon the fourth DWI conviction.

The DPS director predicted that the statute will help deter DWI violations and provide the means to identify repeat offenders.

"Despite increased DWI arrests and enhanced

public awareness about this problem, far too many people still believe that there are no unfavorable consequences to drunk driving," Adams stated. "Texas Law enforcement agencies do not have enough resources to adequately police all streets

and highways. However, when these changes in the DWI law take effect, drunk drivers who are detected can count on being punished in a meaningful fashion. This should help dispel the myth that drunk driving is a meaningless act," concluded Adams.

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VaRue McWilliams
and Staff

Happy Holidays
Greetings of the season to our many good friends! We hope your Christmas is bright with love and joy.

Peoples National Bank
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Blessings to All
Wishing you lots of good old-fashioned holiday cheer.

Winters Sheet Metal & Plumbing

PEACE
May the Blessings of Christmas stay with you this Holy Season.

Johnny's Shell Station

HAPPY YULETIDE

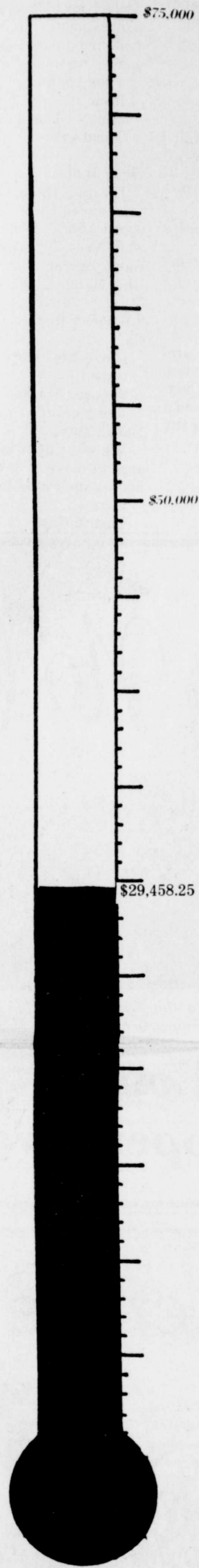
Here's hoping the joyful season is filled with happiness. We wish you and yours a beautiful holiday.

We appreciate your business
Merry Christmas & Happy New Year
H & H Tire Store

Happy Holidays
Here's a cheery greeting to our many good friends and customers at this Yuletide season.

DAIRY QUEEN

North Runnels Hospital X-Ray Machine Fund



TOTAL TO DATE: \$29,458.25
TOTAL NEEDED: \$75,000

To make a donation to the North Runnels Hospital X-Ray Fund, contact, Jerry Lloyd, 754-5565 (day) or 754-4366 (night), or Pat McGuffin, 754-4519 (day) or 754-4829 (night).

Slimp named to WSB board

Kenneth Slimp has been named to the board of directors at Winters State Bank according to Bobby Airhart, bank president.

Slimp, a partner in the law firm of Grindstaff, Grindstaff and Slimp, is president of the Winters Lions Club and vice-president of the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce.

He serves as city attorney for the City of Winters and as legal counsel to the Board of Directors of the North Runnels County Hospital District.

Slimp and his wife Mary are members of the First Christian Church in Ballinger. They have one daughter, Kelli, age 2.

Winters Council finances sewer construction

The Winters City Council formally approved an ordinance Monday that authorizes the issuance of \$80,000 in certificates of obligation to fund the construction of the new wastewater treatment plant for Winters.

The certificates will be purchased by the Winters State Bank to finance the project. The city will pay for the project over an eight year period with a nine percent interest rate. The financing agreement will allow the city to payout after five years.

The city's financial advisor, Joe Smith of the First Southwest Company said that the project would be ready to be opened to bidders as early as February.

While talking about city improvements, the council approved the filing of a pre-application for a

Wait a minute...

By Kerry Craig

Now it is my turn, and I am going to wait an entire week.

Now hold on...I know that the Christmas Holiday is Monday, the 26th.

Darn near all the holidays have been rescheduled by those good old boys in Washington to where they fall on Monday. Now that is fine unless you happen to work in a radio station or a newspaper, especially one that is published weekly — one where you have a Monday and Tuesday to get your act together. Then those Monday holidays become a pain in the week.

Well...we are gonna catch up on those Mondays we didn't get to play on. We are gonna take the whole week off.

Seriously, we try to give our employees this week each year to be with their families for the holidays and to get ready for another year.

1983 has been a good year and things are looking good for the new year.

We have got some new things in store that will improve what we do and how we do it. A new computer to set our type got here ahead of Santa and hopefully we will have the bugs shaken out of it for 1984.

There are some other changes that we have made that will, hopefully, make things better for our customers and those we will talk of next year.

So for now, let us all wait a minute...remember the real meaning of Christmas.

From our house to yours are wishes of a most joyous and safe Christmas and for a happy and prosperous New Year.

No paper next week

As has been the custom for the past several years, *The Winters Enterprise* will not publish a paper the week after Christmas. We will be back on schedule for the first week of the new year.

This week off will give our employees an opportunity to spend the Christmas Holidays with their families.

Advertisers and correspondents are reminded that our deadline for copy will continue to be 12 noon Tuesday of the week of publication.

MERRY CHRISTMAS
HAPPY NEW YEAR



And — the winner is...

Jackye Conner, 1983 Sno-Queen, draws the winning name in the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce Holidays Shop-a-Rama

\$1.55 million loan from the Farmers Home Administration to fund proposed improvements at the water treatment plant.

Don Rauschuber, the engineering supervising the proposed upgrading of the facility told the council that at the present time the water plant is operating at its design capacity of about 700 thousand gallons per day and that during the summer the plant is being pushed to provide over a million gallons of treated water daily.

The engineer said that in order to meet certification criteria from two state agencies, the plant must be upgraded to the point where it can provide at least two million gallons per day.

The cost of the expansion project is anticipated to be about \$1.55 million dollars.

The council agreed to start a formal study to re-evaluate the current water and sewer rates with an increase of the rates in mind to cover the cost of the water treatment plant.

The detailed study would be conducted with respect to the elderly, those on fixed incomes and industry.

In other action, the council re-appointed J.W. Bahlman for another term on the Winters Housing Authority Board of Directors and named June Hays to serve as the council's representative on the housing board.

Approval was given to the expenditure of about \$750 for the purchase of an additional radar unit for the police department. The funds for the additional radar purchase will come

from the amount saved by not buying a new patrol car.

The council gave approval to loan old city documents to the Z.I. Hale Museum. The documents, tax rolls, receipt books, and municipal court dockets are dated in the early 1900's.

The council noted the documents were stored in the old jail building behind city hall and would be better

Holiday schedule for Winters I.S.D. told

Persons wishing to pay their 1983 school taxes before the end of the year may do so on Friday, December 30. The tax office of the school district will be open that day only from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This day will be the only day the tax office will be open during the holiday season.

Taxpayers may mail their payments to the tax office. Checks and statements should be sent to P.O. Box 125, Winters, Texas 79567. A receipt dated prior to 1984 will be mailed in return.

Several of the Winters basketball teams will play during the holiday. On Thursday, December 29, the varsity girls, junior varsity girls, and ninth grade girls will play in Col-eman beginning at 4 p.m.

On Friday, December 30, both the varsity and junior varsity girls and boys will play Wall here, with games beginning at 4 p.m.

The junior high teams will not play until January 5 when they will travel to Anson.

Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 3, 1984 at the regular time. The tax office will observe the same schedule except for December 30.

cared for in the museum.

The city attorney suggested that the documents, which are considered public information, be loaned to the

museum rather than given to allow the city to retain ownership and access to the documents.

Before ending the final meeting of

1983, the council scheduled the first meeting of the new year for Monday, January 9, because the first meeting date conflicted with the New Year's Holiday.

Glenn Brown resigns as city administrator

Winters City Administrator Glenn Brown surprised the members of the city council at the end of their Monday meeting by submitting his resignation, to become effective January 16.

Brown said that he had accepted the position of assistant city manager in Kerrville and will assume duties there January 25.

Kerrville City Manager J. Lewis Odle said that Brown was selected from 75 applicants from Texas and surrounding states for the position and that he and the Kerrville City Council were looking forward to working with Glenn.

Brown was appointed city administrator here three years ago and resigned as the Administrative Assistant City Manager in Abilene to fill the newly created position.

In the letter addressed to the

mayor and members of the Winters City Council Brown said, "It has been a pleasure working in Winters." He also said that Winters was a wonderful place to live and raise a family.

Mayor W. Lee Colburn said, after reading the letter to the council, "This is something that I had hoped wouldn't happen while I was Mayor of Winters."

All members of the council expressed their regrets at losing such a fine city administrator.

Ballinger City Administrator Dennis Jones said of Brown, "Winters is losing a good man and Kerrville is getting a good man. Glenn will be a hard man to replace."

The Winters City Council will formally accept Brown's resignation in their first meeting next year.



Glenn Brown
To Kerrville

WTU customers to get refunds

West Texas Utilities Company has been granted a retail rate increase totaling \$12 million annually by the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

The overall increase amounts to 5.1 per cent, much less than the 11 per cent the company had said it

Two caught in screen theft

Runnels County sheriffs officers said that two Mexican Nationals were being held in the Runnels County Jail in connection with the theft of window screens from a residence northeast of Winters.

Sheriff's Department reports indicated the two were arrested by Winters Police officers on charges of DWI and public intoxication and that later officers received a report of the stolen screens and found the screens in the vehicle driven by the men.

Deputy Joe David West said that the pair were placed in the county jail on the preliminary charges and that the wife of one of the men contacted Winters Police seeking release of the screens. West said that at that time the theft had not been received and the screens were released.

A short time later the Sheriff's Department received a call from Thelma Scott of Abilene, who owns the house. She told officers that the screens had been stolen.

Deputy Barry Hilliard and Police Chief L.C. Foster then took the screens back into custody and the subsequent charges were filed against the two men being held in the county jail.

The two men, Anselmo Landeros and Isebel Gallegos, were slated to appear before County Judge Michael Murchison Tuesday afternoon on the charges.

Gallegos entered a plea of not guilty to the theft charge and Judge Murchison set bond for him at \$500. Landeros entered pleas of guilty to both the theft charge and the DWI charge and was assessed fines totaling \$872.

Five Blizzards named to All-Central team

At a banquet in Early Thursday night, five Winters Blizzard varsity football players were named to the All-Central Texas football team, a team which includes players from such larger schools as Cooper, Abilene High, and Brownwood. Named to the first team were Kent Billups, running back, and Ronnie Lujano, place kicker.

On the second team were Greg Guevara, Don Kvapil, and Jeff McDorman. All the boys are seniors.

The banquet is an annual event sponsored by the Early Bank.

needed. The company had asked for \$25.6 million in its request to the cities and the PUC.

The exact amounts assigned to various customer classifications and the effective dates of the new rates awaits PUC approval of rate tariffs which will be filed early next week. Company officials said the rates are likely to go into effect around January 1.

The approved rate hike also is less than the interim rates WTU has charged customers in 32 of its cities since October 22, which means that those customers will be receiving refunds and will see their rates lowered slightly.

The interim rates, collected under bond and subject to refund, were designed to increase the company's annual revenue by \$18 million.

Approximate effects of the rate changes on a typical residential customer's bill are as follows, based on 600 kilowatthours of electric usage and including fuel costs:

Proposed rate	\$46.85
Present rate	\$44.16
Increase	\$ 2.69
Or 6.1 per cent	
Interim rate	\$49.56
Proposed rate	\$46.85
Decrease	\$ 2.71
Or 5.7 per cent	

Company officials said the refund on interim rates probably will be subtracted from the February billing. Customers due refunds who have moved out of the WTU service area should contact their former

local offices.

Interim rates were placed in effect October 22 in Winters and these other cities which had suspended WTU's proposed rate increase: Abilene, Anson, Baird, Ballinger, Benjamin, Big Lake.

Also, Blackwell, Buffalo Gap, Childress, Cisco, Clarendon, Crowell, Eden, Hamlin, Haskell, Impact, Knox City, Melvin, Munday, O'Brien.

Also, Paducah, Quanah, Rising Star, Rochester, San Angelo, Spur, Stamford, Throckmorton, Tye, Wellington, and Woodson.

Ballinger library gets \$25,000 grant

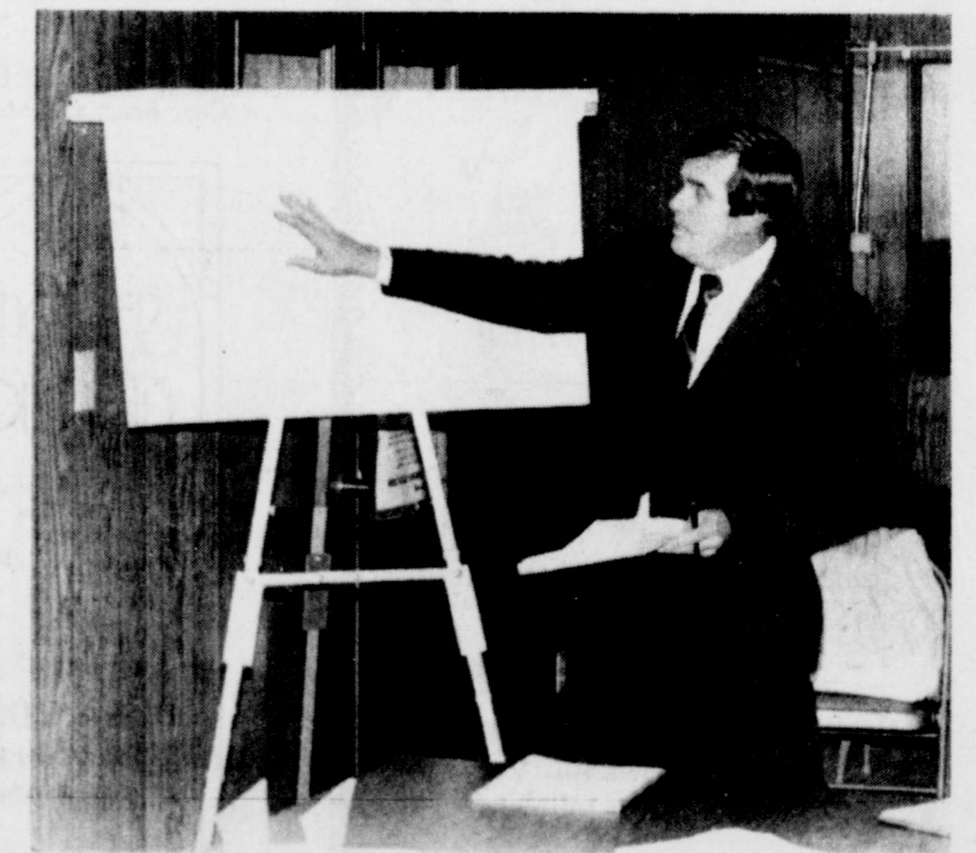
The Meadows Foundation, Inc. of Dallas has awarded a \$25,000 grant to the Carnegie Library of Ballinger for continued restoration work on the children's section.

The check came with a grant contract with a stipulation that the money must be used only for the children's sector of the library.

The Meadows Foundation was established by Algur H. Meadows in 1948. Meadows founded General American Oil Company of Texas, still one of the country's largest independent oil and gas production companies.

The foundation has given funds to over 450 different organizations since its inception.

Mary Sykes, chairwoman of the Library Restoration Committee, said work on the children's section would begin after the first of the year.



Water plant plans

Water Planning Engineer Don Rauschuber, of Austin, explains plans to upgrade the city water plant to members of the Winters City Council in their Monday meeting.

The council is considering a \$1.55 million project to get the water plant in shape to meet current and projected water demands.

Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I want a three wheel
an a Secur Ball an a Foot
Ball an a horse an E walk
an a toy Box an I Love you
Santa. an a Stoezin
Love,
Brock Guevara
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and a gun
For CHRISTMAS
Love,
Keith Mahaffey
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and a Fut-
ball and a shoes. and a boll.
and a car and a gun.
Love,
Richard Ochoa
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I love santa, I want a
baby skat And you to come
to My house an I want afar
coat and a Littel buon.
Love,
Michelle Hollis
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and Cear
Bear and bady sktes crul
bady doll I Love you Santa
Love,
Brandi Killough
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I won't a doll.

I won't ice Skats I won't
baby Skats. I won't hope
Sike. I won't a buton. I
won't pomo pomos. I won't
a puppy
Love,
Vicky Eldred
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I Love you very MuCh.
I wona go Cart. and a
Soerboll
Love,
David Bartel
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a soccer ball and
a remote control car and a
us1 track and a Atari set.
Love,
David Blake
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I wot a doll from you and
that is all thank you we
have a lot off prazns.
Love,
Sherry Plumley
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a pelt rifle.
Mickey
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I hope We can see you.
to day. We are do fivd. I
was do good. an saw a dog.
I want a bike. and a doll
and. I want a baby SKates

Love,
Missy Ann Torres
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a truck and a bike
and a bady pupy and a
Ewok and a Coloring Book
and a Box of Coloring and
a Lots of candy.
Love,
Jesus Sanchez
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I wot a Watch. I wot a
bog. I wot a buten. and a
gun I wot a gun I wot a big
bat
Priscilla
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I what a BorBDall and a
poporns and a BieK. I hope
you love us and my BaBy
Bruvr is in the HospDl and
we Staey home. Happy
Christms.
Love,
Lucy Rodriguez
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I wish I hab 100 babys
pups for christmas and 2
full grown dog and 4 cat's
Love,
Mike Boyd
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I what Speik and Spek
and litte prfiser and straw
breey shotcake Doll house
and Straw Breey Shot cake
Doll, and Barbie Doll house
I Love Santa and Bady
skats
Love,
Santee Curry
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a NFL football,
Texas Longhorn football
set, Rough Rider 4'4.
Love,
Chadd S.
Second grade

Dear Santa,
You don't have to pute
anything else in my Stoken
just pute a pupy in it.
Love,
Jennifer Boles
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and a mon-
sikul and one mawe tong
for you Santa. I love you
geme a ride on yer sled a
one maewtong I want a
tore
Love,
Gabriel Ortiz
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I Love you and will
never for get you and I for
got to tell you I want a
baby skates.
Love,
Angie Powers
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a Cear Bear. And
a baby Skats. And I want
a intelusion. And I want
a Ewalk. And a baby that
u way I Love you Santa.
Love,
Mandy Hall
Second grade

Dear Sant,
I wont a stuff Ewalk, a
Cear bear, a Babby that a



way Doll, a stuff Unicorn,
a Horse, a Babby Skats, a
Bike,
I Love you
Love,
Robin Gallaway
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I wish for a boll. And a
BorBDall Then a littlpuppy
Then I want a Bieke may I
have a stuff animal? I want
a Baby doll. I want a care
baer I Thick you will have
a time
Love!
Carolyn Horton
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a hot wheel car,
a football, some pants, and
a toy truck and I want to
see you.
Love,
Chris Woffenden
Second grade

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas, bring me
a Christmas tree, a basket-
ball, a marker, a paint set,
a micro-wave that makes
real food (they have them
at Ward's), some decora-
tions for my Christmas
tree, and a Barbie doll with
a boy and a girl with a pink
car.
I love you.
Gayla Clough
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
Bring me a Baby-That-A-
Way, Charmkins, a Baby
Alive, Barbie dolls, this
truck—it's a 3-wheeler
where I can ride it, make-
up and a bag. I love you.
Dana Sheppard
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want some dishes, a
McDonald's toy, a doll with
a bottle, and a Mickey
Mouse phone.
Love,
Elodia Torres
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Care Bear—I'll
tell you what kind. I want
a Cheer Bear. I want a
Baby Alive, a Care Bear
ring and that's all.
Love,
Staci Springer
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Strawberry
Shortcake doll that you
squeeze and it smells, a
Baby Skates and a pony—

Dear Santa,
I want a trampoline,
And I want monchichi.
And a charmkin and Q-bert
game a doll to play with
Sony-walk man and gar-
field and Care Bear is
cheer Love buds and a fur
coat and I want baby
skates and a chalk board
with chalk and a blue bike
with a basket and a
telephone and a pair of new
shoes and Cabbage Patch
you are kind Santa and
nice I wish I was with
you in north pole.
your friend
Raquel Silva
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want a Connect Four
and a coloring book cause
all my other coloring books
are filled, and a Hungry
Hippo Game. I love you.
Lori Jobe
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I want a Q-bert, a Mon-
chichi, a Cheer bear, a
Atari.
Your friend
Joanna
Third grade

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Love,
Staci Springer
Kindergarten

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Shortcake doll that you
squeeze and it smells, a
Baby Skates and a pony—

a real one.
Love,
Amber Powers
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Love Alot Care
Bear, a Baby Skates, a
Baby Alive, and my little
pony.
Love,
Monica Harris
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Strawberry
Shortcake Rag Doll, a
Baby-That-A-Way, and a
Baby Alive. I love you.
Jana Jackson
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a Baby
Skates, a Strawberry
Shortcake, a cup, a color
book, colors, and some
pens and a necklace. I love
you.
Jennifer Reyna
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a car, a horsey,
crayons, and a baby doll.
Tracillia Ballard
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Baby Alive, a
baby that if you take away
its pacifier, it kicks and
cries, a My Little Pony,
and a Baby Skates and a
Baby-That-A-Way. I love
you.
Cheri Dry
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Dear Santa,
I want a Telephone
plesase. I would Like a
Gocart plesase. I would
Like some Newborn baby
dall clothes. I wont a cirb.
I Love you Dear Santa
Love,
Jenny
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want an In Television
for Christmas. an a go-cart.
I help My Mother clean the
house. I watch my brother
and sister.
an a He-man an please
bring Lee a coputer an a
Return of the Jedi poster.
love Santa
Lee Reyes
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want
Christmas,
Basketball,
Telephone,
Soccer ball,
Go cart,
trampoline,
Typewriter,
chalkboard,
fur coat,
Garfield,
Cheer Bear,
Love buas,
Three-Wheeler

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Garfield,
Cheer Bear,
Love buas,
Three-Wheeler

A New Born baby Boy
I Love you.
Thank you for all the
toys you gave me.
Love,
Christie Wright
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want a Sony Walk
Man, and Garfield, cum-
puter, real rabbit, tapes,
typewriter, trampoline.
Your friend,
Jamie
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle. I
have been a good boy. I
help my mother clean the
house. Please bring Zane a
motorcycle to.
Love,
Blaine Barnes
Thank you for being my
friend.
Merry Chistmas!

Dear Santa,
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Merry Chistmas!

Dear Santa,
I want a T.V. and I want
a bike, and I want the thing
called Super Cliff Hangers,
a computer, and a pick-up
called Big Foot
From Justin H.
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want a bick, and a T.V.
and a book of bat man, and
a backeball, and a soccer
boll, and a play plaen, and
a boys watch.
Your friend
Issac
Merry Christmas
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want a three wheeler,
telephone, Ewok Village,
Atari, Sony Walk Man,
Star Wars, Typewriter, Go
Cart, Soccer Ball, Super
Cliff Hangers Q-bert, Pac
Man, Motor cycle,
3-Wheeler Remote Control
Car
I love You Very Much
Love,
Spencer Marks
Third grade

Dear Santa,
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telephone, Ewok Village,
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Cart, Soccer Ball, Super
Cliff Hangers Q-bert, Pac
Man, Motor cycle,
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Car
I love You Very Much
Love,
Spencer Marks
Third grade

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dkered in white. See the church spire towering majestically above the snow, hear the jingle of sleigh
bells. Reminisce and be enchanted with the wonder of it all.

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Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa
Baby doll truck want some snow yes I want colors a new bike
Love Diana Mendoza

Dear Santa
Get me some presents I want a basketball I want a horsey a bike 2 balloons another horsey for daddy and a billy goat with a jingle bell on it.
Love
John Wayne Gardener

Dear Santa
I want a dog and toys, doll, dishes a dump truck. A horse, Saddle.
I want to see Santa Claus laugh.
Tamra G. Grohman
Age 3

Dear Santa
I want a fire truck I want a bike, I want some shampoo like you use on your beard.
Merry Christmas
Gary Huffman
Five years

Dear Santa
A game and toys muchos toys. Merry Christmas to you.
Isaias Lara
Four years

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a

Smurf radio, Care Bears, a real pony, Garfield, dolls, doll clothes, and clothes.
Christy Calcote
Age 4

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I want a red race car, a football, a helmet for football, a Dukes of Hazard car, some records, a small red bike, a Knight rider car, and a Kid, a race car to toy pick up, Micheal & Kitt, and a T.V.
Signed,
Scott Danford
Fourth grade

Dear Santa
I would like a Atari with Miss PAC MAN & Q-bert & FROGER. And I want pochie dog. And a foger watch. AND MOST OF ALL I WANT STACEY TO BE MY SISTER.
Love
Mindi
Third grade

Dear, Santa Claus
I want a cassette player and tapes, socker ball, shoe strings, tennis balls, leg warmer, Ewok, socks, stix pens, jewey set, coloring book.
Love,
Kay Fowler
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I would like a red racing truck, a small car and a race car, a new football, a B-B gun, a small go cart, a helmet to wear when I drive fast, a super coat, and a real truck, a real trailer truck, a tape/radio player, and a batman you put together.
Signed,
Larry Horton
Third grade

Dear Santa,
My name is Joe. I have been a good boy this year. Please bring me a go-cart, a race track, a toy car, a red bicycle, a red motorcycle.
Signed,
Joe Ybarra
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I have been nice this year. My name is Don Sparks and I am 8 years old. Please bring me a go-cart and helmet to wear and a racing jacket, a race track with little cars, a big red bike, a big red racing truck, an uno game, some black boots, a new football, a superman to put together, and an electric guitar, and a package of cowboys and Indians with a teepee.
Signed,
Don Sparks
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a doll and a small bike I want barrettes I want a puzzle We have been good
Michelle Reyes
Grade two

Dear Santa,
I want a big bike. I also would like go-cart and a motorcycle. I want a horse too. I have been nice and I like you.
Love,
Otis Liggins
Grade five

Dear Santa,
I want some clothes, a Barbie Doll, a bike. I want a color book.
We have been good.
Melissa Lara
Grade five

Dear Santa,
I want a dertbike for christmas and a computer, a basketball, a cabigh pach kid and a basketball goal. "Oh ya! I am in second grade too.
Love
Kristin Elane Deike
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want the GIJOE collection, and the base to and the Jeep, an Laser Canon

to and the motorcycle an the Battle tank and the jet. I want the impossible Rough Rider. And a BMX bike to. And a new white shirt. That's all I want. Also would you put the BMX bike in the house.
Brian Edward McAnulty
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a train gocar Box of crayola Bike.
Homero Hernandez
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I am in second grade. I wode like a backhoe. I wode like a truck. I wode like a trater. I wode like a desk I wode like a tphone.
Brian Briley
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I am in second grabe. I hope I have bin gud this christmas and I hope I will git some candy this christmas. I will be gud to you, and my Mom and Dad have bin gud to me
Wanda Wright
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I am in seconggrade I Love you
Annette
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I am in the second grade. I have been good. How is the North pole? How is Ruedoff the rednose raindeer? I want an poochie note's "N" stuff and Barbie loves Mcdonlds.
LOVE
Rhonda Bethel
Second grade

Dear Santa Claus
I want a ring and a pair of boots and a Doll and a set of china dishes and a pair of play glasses and a pair of play dolls and that is All I want
from Angela
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I would like a Q-bert cartage. And a AM/FM radio and casset. And a soccer ball and a Q-bert watch.
Love,
Stacey Deike
Third grade

Dear Santa Claus
I want some drums and I wnat a drut bike and I wnat a gerat and a elterc pion and a microphone.
I love you Sant
love all ways
Cara Cathey
Third grade

Dear Santa Claus
I want Q-deat. And capsello. A radio with ear phones, and soccer ball.

And a pac-man watch. And a golecourt.
Love
Lance
Third grade

Dear Santa, Clase.
I want two Walkie talkies. \$19.83 Q-bert and a watch and a soccer ball and a pudel.
Love
Jay
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want a train set and a dirt bike and a T.V. and a go cart and a soccer ball and a new basketball hoop and a new B.B. gun.
From
Josh Awalt
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I would like a Dolly 25 set peace. And a Care Bear ring. And a Care Bear bracelet. And Skates size 4.
Thank you Santa!
I Love you!
Do you Love me!
Yes or No
Love you
Shana Lantow
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want a gocate and a tarapean and a dog and a cat, and a Glode and a Mr. T Gun and a pet Gofer and that all
from Jim
Third grade

Dear Santa,
Will you send me the parts to my go cart. That I need so. I can get it runnig agian. Then me and my brother will ride it in the mud.
Love
Always
Robbie
Third grade

Dear Santa
I want a Baby Alive Doll. And my little pony horse. And A Cabbage Patch Doll. And a strawberry shortcake cartage And a CareBear. I want Grumpy Bear.
Love,
Melinda Kraatz
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want a new bike. A typewriter. A motorcycle. A play house. A go cart. A football. A soccer ball. A

telephone. A basketball. A capsule. An air jammer road rammer. An remote control car. A super-man puzzle. A He-Man. A record player, a computer. A three wheeler.
Your friend,
Jimmy Hernandez
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want a Atari and A baby skate doll and a barbie dream house and barbies with it and O-bert Monchichi a trampoline and a typewriter and Lovebuds and Garfield a Care Bears and a real girls abike and a baby sister.
To Santa,
I Love you Santa,
Lynn Collins
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want a bike for Christmas, and some Clothes for Christmas. to and a car for me and I like Santa, and I like my mom and my Dad. and I want a puppy for Christmas to. and I am ten years old
Hortencia
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want a pink and pretty, and I want a trampoline and a typewriter al want a real telephone and a Atari and a Cassette player, and a Go cart and a basketball and a charmKin and a big calk board and a three-wheeler and a Love buds and a CheerBear and a. Big Garfield. Santa I hope you can bring all those things
Love Santa
OK
Love Shelly
and one more thing a record player and onthering a new born baby doll and one more thing a bike.

Dear Santa Claus
I want a colored TV. And a telephone. And a baby skate. And a mikafone.
Love,
Netasha Smith
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I would like 2-3 speeds. One is for my mother. I would also like a radio with headphones. I would also like a Speak & Math. I

would Lilk a Cabag pach kid.
Love,
Mary Mostad
Third grade

Dear Santi
I want a big three wheeler and a bike and skates and a crayola caddy and a pink 'n' pretty doll and a care bear with the haret on it and a care bear soot that's all.
from.
Stephanie Ann
Bradshaw
Happy holidays
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want a dollhouse, dolls & a cabbage patch kid. Also a trampoline.

chemistry set, computer & a copier.
Love,
Susan
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I Wot a fish and a pet and a dog and a cat and a top and a game
Love,
Kim Chadwick
Second grade

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a doll is just like real. And a calculator. And a Cabag pach kid. And a new pair of skates. And I hope that ever one has a happy Christmas.
Love,
Carla Smith
Third grade

Tony's Disposal

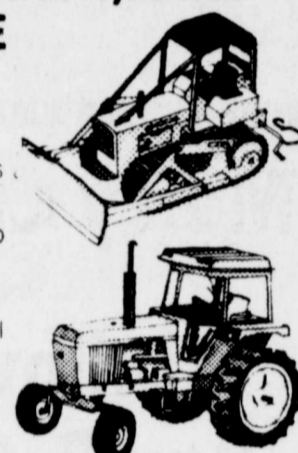
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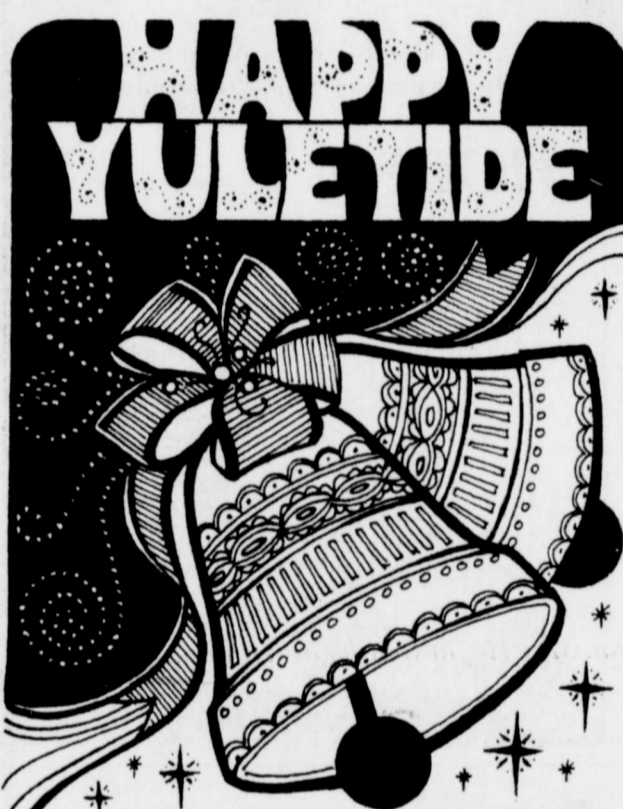
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Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I want a Telephone, a Typewriter, a TV, and a Gold Cart.
I like you a lot.
Your Friend,
Jennifer Sherry
Third grade

Dear Santa Clause,
Please bring me a typewriter, chain, charm that says I Love Gold, Ribbons, Jordache shoes.
I Love you Santa.
Love,
Wendy Merrifield
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I would like a Atari and a donkey kong game for it. And a frogger game for it. And a duck or a swan. And a Barbie kitchen future, please.
Love,
Sara Ann
Third grade

Dear Santa Claus
I want Simon and Stawberry shortcake that blows kisses
Love,
Kathy
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want a 24 inch BicK and rodot to do my homework and a three wiler and a roster and a

hen and a dog.
from Ben
Third grade

Dear Santa Claus
I want a doll and a dress and a bat and a ball that is all
Love
Tammy Rodriguez
Third grade

Dear Santa Claus
I want a doll that crans. I want a new bike and a care Beir and Pakemen likatins
Love,
Sesilia
Third grade

Dear Santa Claus
I would like for you to bring me this for Christmas. I want some skates 3 and a teddy bear, pom poms and a Holly Hobbie dish set and a game of Checkers and connect four and some clothes. And that's all I want
From Tanya B.
Third grade

Dear. Samta
I Want a bow and arow and a cargrige and a C-B and a lot of toys.
Love,
Brian
Third grade

Dear Santa elaus
I want a bike and a go car i want it to be blake and red and a football and a Bace ball anda bat and a will you seen me attwy and a GI Joe Set
LOVE
David
always
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I Love you. I want a soccerball and a Footbl and a tennis,
From
Juan Cabrera
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby skates doll and a yo-yo and a playharn.
Love,
Melissa Tischler
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a football suit and a Soccerball and a stocking Good candy
Love,
Gabriel Ortiz
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a dolls and a bike and a game, and books, and a suit.
Love,
Cindy Towe
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a Dog And a doll And a new bed with hold set. Well by from
Elvia Moreno
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I Love you. I Want a dog. I want some skes and bots. I want to hamstrs. I want a foot ball.
Love,
Melissa Smith
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a baby Dall. And a Big three weler. Auter and a makeup whole case.
Love,
Tandy Reagan
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a lether foot Ball ormy men and a train and a baskitBall and a dig 3 weeler.
From,
Brice Current
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want two jump ropes,

and a Nerf ball and a foot ball and a doll and 100 ice cream and a watr bed and a cat.

Love,
Sheila Brannan
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I Love you I want a desk. a pire of pants and a mine skrte a shrt a BookHow are your raindeer espicialy roodof the red nose raindeer
Love,
Patricia Parker
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a Stuff Santa gust lik you and Sume Snow and a rabit and a autrer
Love,
Chris Dry
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I Want a bike I Want a car I Want a thruk fl Want a Football I Want a soccerball MERRY christmas
Terry Plumley
hohoh
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a game and a box of cars and a fish and a box of books and a cat.
From
Corey Spill
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I hope you or file gud. I what a bike, and a trruke. I what a Football kuor-trich. I what a soccerball and a Foot ball hemit. I what a shoderpas I what a needs pads, and a math pees, and a basketball. I Love you
Wylie Clough
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a Foot boll and a soccer boll and a night rider and a men
From
Jonathan Aguero
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I wish that you will Get fme a baby Doll. And a jump Rope too. and a girl puppy dog to and a Autrer Mary Ellen Rodriguez
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a saccor boll and foot boll
From
Sammy Sanchez
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I wot a watsrn Brbe and dales and i wot a Big horse with a man and a horse and summurhors
Beatriz Cisneros
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I what doll pup and a baby doll anda spekd and baby skak and dimanrig and a kajrig
Tammy Lynn Frasier
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I wot a 2by2 and a Soccerball and a Football and a Rodball and a tenni ball

and a pup and a 4by4 and frisbee.
Albert Lopez
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I Love) wants Soccer Ball Foot ball and From, Nerf Ball and Sume Autrer good
Michael Hernandez
Second grade

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a truck, a tractor and a van.
I love you,
Jesse Ortiz
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want some trucks, a big train set and "some Briso blocks." That's all.
Nathan Purcell
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a fast cycle that's black and I want an electric blocks set and I want a little Baby Roller Skates for my sister and a Blizzard poster and a little plate and spoon and fork for my mom and a new lectric 3-wheeler for my daddy cause his broke.
I love you
Cody White
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a truck, a pick-up, and a trailer and a pillow, crayons and a coloring book and a play Christmas tree. That's all.
Chester Plumley
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a football suit and a football and the helmet and knee pads and the pants, shoulder pads, the shirt and that's all. I've been good.
Love,
John Paul Belew
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a B.B. gun. That's all.
Austin Hord
Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Fall Guy pick-up and a Rough Rider 4x4 pick-up and a big 4x4.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Baby Skates — a bike with another bike on the steering wheel (the one on the steering wheel is for the baby), a Christmas tree, some books and a basketball.
Love,
Dusty Gray
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
This year I want Zoids, Gaint Zerk, Rough Riders 4x4 set, the action buggy Bike siren, Mr. T doll, Jabba-the-hutt play set. I've been a good boy
J. Austin

Dear Santy Claus
I want the Ewok Village, a new bike, the dukes of Haserd remote control car, skalotor, ti fighter pilitt ship. I am 6 years old.
I Love you Santy Claus
Ty Ellis
Lubbock Texas

Dear Santy Claus
I want a care bear watch, a Straberrey Shortcake sleeping bag for Christmas. make mommy, daddy happy. I am 8 years old.
I Love you Santy Claus.

Love
Shawna Ellis
Lubbock, Texas

Dear Santa
Thank you for my toys
James Andrea

Dear Santa
I want a truck and a tractor and a car. I like you Santa
Mario Rodriguez

Dear Santa
I want a mickey mouse shirt and a baby doll with some clothes and a bottle with real milk a cabbage patch kid, and I want some animals
I love you Santa and your little elffes
Jennifer Pruitt

Dear Santa
Toys a lot of em. Truck, basketball. Boots and socks like Santa Claus'.
See you at Christmas
Justin Deike

Dear Santa,
I am a girl I am 7. Could I have for christmas a baby alive and a care bear?
Love,
Melinda Holloway
Second grade

Merry Christmas

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Holloway's Bar-B-Q Barn

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HI! MERRY CHRISTMAS

In his pack, filled with bountiful delights, jovial St. Nick has a special gift of thanks for our wonderful friends. In a festive spirit we wish you all the joys of Christmas.

HEIDENHEIMER'S

Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I am in the second grade. I have been a good girl this year. I want a soccer ball and a care bear and I want a new bike.
Love
Angela Bryan
Second grade

Dear Santa Claus
A truck and a car. Dear Santa Claus a car and a truck. Mmmmm dear Santa get me a toy in my truck Don't bringd your reindeers because Santa Claus has to walk on the street.

See you soon
Andrew Parker
Age 3

Dear Santa
I want a bike and a truck
Bye Santa
Alex Rodriguez

Dear Santa
Thank you for all our presents.
I love you
Michelle Luna

Dear Santa
I want toys
I want a red truck and a red bike and a red car and a green truck
Thank you
J.W. Anderson

Dear Santa,
I was good in 1 grad and in 2 grad and Mrs. Russell is kind to me and I wish I have a Xmas tree.
Loma Patel
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I am in second grade I wot a bike gocar. We Love you Santa
Andy Esquivel
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I am in the second grade. I hope you are bregning me a prezet I weh for a big prezet Santa I will rit you a letr nexs wec, Santa I hope you will rit me a letr to me
April Ann Sliva
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I have been so good. I want a bike for Christmas and I am glad Jesus Birth-day is Christmas. I Love you Santa Clous. This is Santa Clous and I want a doll. I Love you dears.
Elizabeth Silva
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I am in second grade I have ben good I am a girl I wote a doll and a barbei house fore christmas Love Santa fome
Connie Lynn Kanode
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I am in second Grade. I wont a tap plar and a alarm Kloc and a lunch Baes.
Brian Curtis
Second grade

Dear 'Santa.'
I am in the second grade. I want for christmas a laqe set and AirJammr Rode Rammr
Wesley Glenn Hart
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I am happy. and good, We are good peLpLe. I wana wito game
Bruce Reyes
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I am in sencond grad. I want four christmas a Foot Ball and a bike and a soKer Ball and a bat and a bac Ball
Anthony Ochoa
Second grade

Dear Santa,
My Name is Leslie Webb. I am in 2nd grade. My Mommy is coming to the Christmas Planning Party. I want atari. My Brother wants a computer. I'm going to make my Daddy a s-token
Leslie Webb
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I wont a new bike, and a kittin and a cabichpach and stuff animLs.
Jennifer Matthews.
Second grade

Dear Santa,
I want a Somy-Walk-Man and a Computer and some tapes and a trampoline and a fourweeler and some 12 add-a beads. I love you Santa.
Love,
Kayla Priddy
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want a Somy Walk-Man. Tanes and 4-weeler

care-bear. Q-ber atari game. Computer. Garfield stuff toy. Clothes. Add-a-beads. I love you Santa By. love
Ashley
I love You
xoxoxo
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want a Monchichi trampoline gocart Atari Fur coat Love buds Cheer Bear Garfield telephone Q-ber pink panther Cabbage Patch chind. I hope you can bringe these thing for Me.
I Love you Santa you are Kind.
Your friend,
Norma
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want a bike. and a pair of Keppa Shoes. and a typewriter. and a puppy. and a carr Bear and a record player. and Love buds. and monchi and a baby SKates. and a pinK panter. and a pair of ear rings. I hope you could bring These thing for me.
I Love you Santa close. from your frind
Vicky Reyna
Third grade

Dear Santa,
What I want for christmas a tape recorder And a speak & spell. And a orange blossm Doll. And a froger tape for an Atiari And a Baskit Ball. OH! And a tape for the recorder.
By Mandy Briley
Marry Christmas!
Third grade

Dear Saint Nicholas
I want Big foot and a g.i. joe jet, and Hot WHEELs and guns
Russell Parramore
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want all of puchey, a spek & spell, a strabry shortcake doll, a typewriter, calculator, a ostoy tape and a raode with headphones
Love
Tabatha Grohman & Jay P.S. Flach is Tamra's horse, I have Jay and I am the little miss roade queen.
Third grade

Dear Santa Claus
I would like an Atari set and a computer and a real horse of my own and lets see. well I'd like to have baby skates. and a few dollars so I can buy something of my own.
love,
Teri Vogler
Third grade

Dear St. nielis
for christmas I want a.7 30 Calober meshengun. and a ar-50. and two sett of camoflog. and a parer of milotary boots. and a 72 granads, and a 138 tank, and 2 m 19 a BB sud sub meshen gun. 30 odd 6. ps. Dont forget it!!!!
from Pat Oliver
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I want a Saek and Spill and bigfoot and choheo

Bill Pumphrey named Director of Placement

Bill M. Pumphrey has been named Director of Placement at Hawaii Pacific College in Honolulu, Hawaii. Pumphrey, who also serves as Associate Professor of Marketing and Computer Information Science, has been associated with the four-year, coeducational institution for the past six years.

Hawaii Pacific College, the largest private college in the State, has grown more than 100 percent in

bears Hellmet and Stamper II and a Slam SHeffer cany blaster and a Mr. T dall with Ed
Third grade

Dear Santa,
I would like a bigfoot. And a slamshifter canonblastes. And a Speck and Spell. And a Stomber II. an my mother to be well by Chistmis. And a Mr. T doll with suff.
from
Adrain R. Albarado
Third grade

the past four years. Located in downtown Honolulu, the college recently opened a new campus center which houses the college's large, modern computer facilities.

Pumphrey holds degrees from the University of Texas at Austin, the University of Hawaii and the University of Northern Colorado. Prior to his recent appointment, he had served as Executive Director of the Made in Hawaii Association and the Hawaiian Fashion Guild. He is the son of Doyle Pumphrey and the grandson of Effie Pumphrey, both of Winters.

Scouts increase membership

Since September 1, 1983, there have been 1048 youth members and 238 adults to join Scouting in the Chisholm Trail Council.

A breakdown of the youth members who joined is: 200 Tiger Cubs, for 7 year olds; 587 Cub Scouts, for 8, 9, and 10 year olds; 156 Boy Scouts, for 11 years old and up; and 105

Explorers, high school boys and girls.

These additions brought the total youth membership on December 16th to 3043 and the registered adults to over 1000.

Council President Dr. Dale Brannom said that 1983 has been a good year for Scouting in the Chisholm Trail Council.

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Pushkin

O HOLY NIGHT

May the blessings of His love be yours the whole year through.

The Muffler Shop
Joe & Janet Kozelsky
Ballinger, Texas

Merry Christmas

Deck the halls, carol and rejoice — it is Christmas, glorious Christmas!

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O Holy Night

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! May peace on earth become a reality at this holy time.

Winters Funeral Home
Ted Meyer — Mike Meyer

Joyous Noel

We hope that the spirit of brotherhood and goodwill expressed so often at Christmas may endure forever.

Pat Walker's

O HOLY NIGHT

May the spirit of the Holy Night bless all.

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The Most Beautiful Picture in the World

An artist sought to paint the most beautiful picture in the world. He asked a clergyman.

Going further he made the same inquiry of a soldier who answered.

"What is the most beautiful thing in the world?"

"Peace is the most beautiful thing in the world. War is the most ugly. Wherever you find Peace you will find beauty."

"Faith", answered the clergyman, "you can feel it in every church, find it at any altar."

The artist searched further and found a young bride. Upon asking her the same question she replied.

"Love. Love turns poverty into riches, sweetens tears, makes much of little. Without it there is no beauty."

So he painted "The Most Beautiful Thing in the World." and when he finished he called it

"HOME"

Patsy Roach Kerry & Kelley Craig
Liz Duns + Angela
Debbie Rowles Yvonne Thomas Joe Berkart

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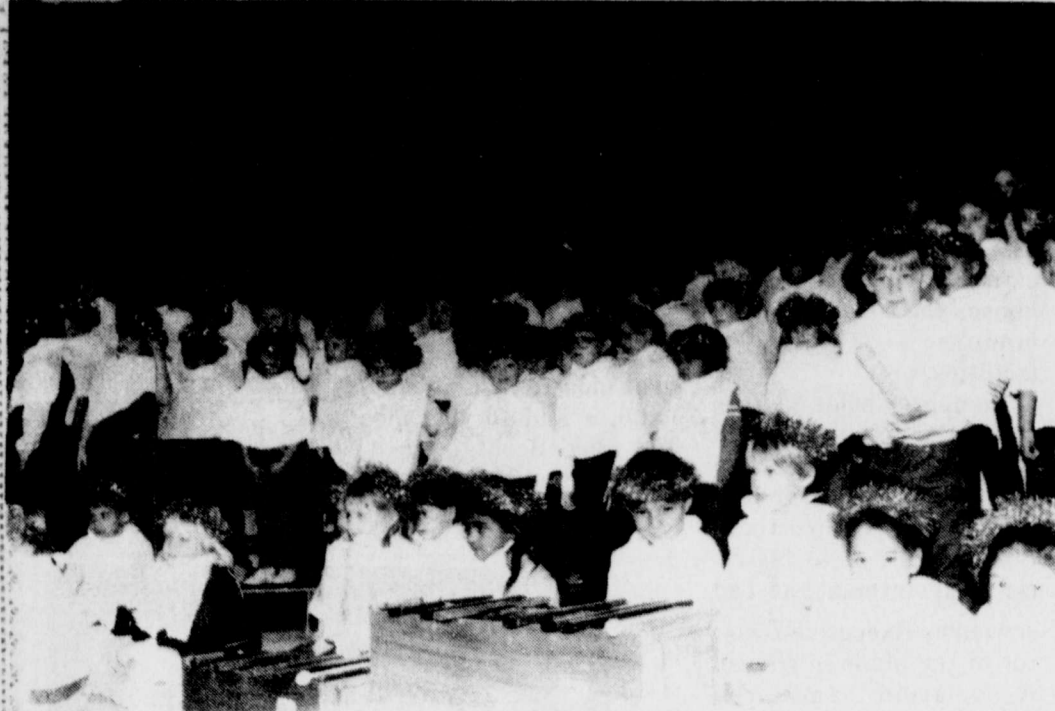
Michael Lee A Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Lee & Evelyn Craig

The Winters Enterprise

Christmas Blessings

Wishing you and yours the best Christmas ever!

Frank's Body Shop
126 N. Church



Little angels

Singing the joy of the season were Winters first graders, smiling and

angelic in their white robes and golden halos, at the Christmas program Friday.



Little elves

Kindergarten students performed during the primary grades' Christmas

program Friday morning. A standing-room-only crowd of parents observed.

GOLDEN GIFTS

Ever since the first Christmas, gold has been THE holiday gift to give and receive. This ancient tradition is as popular today as it was centuries ago because only gold combines lasting value, beauty and versatility.

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Bud & Kay Busher

Air Force prior service

Abilene, Texas - Former Air Force members who return to the Air Force before September 30, 1984, may be eligible to receive a broken service selective reenlistment bonus, according to Staff Sergeant Stevens, Air Force recruiter located here.

The bonuses are available in nearly 20 specialties with the majority in avionics, civil engineering and maintenance fields and a few openings in computer, air traffic control and aircrew members.

To qualify, individuals must be separated more than three months but less than four years prior to reentering the Air Force. In addition, only prior active-duty Air Force members who were awarded and worked in a broken-service bonus skill upon discharge are eligible.

The amount of the bonus depends on how long the individual has been separated, and the multiple-level and zone of the bonus. Contact Sergeant Stevens at (915) 672-8949 for further information.

Blizzard Basketball Roundup

Varsity Girls

The Varsity Girls played in Baird December 13, losing 53-39. Melinda Kvapil and LaShea Guy both scored 16 points as high point players for the game. The girls made five of 16 free throws for 31 per cent.

In the Roscoe Tournament over the weekend, the girls lost to Hamlin 46-32. Melinda Kvapil scored nine points; Louise Davis made eight.

Eula defeated the girls 55-48. Melinda Kvapil led the Winters scoring with 20 points; Maggie Campos made 12. Free throw percentage was 44 per cent.

Junior Varsity Girls

The Winters Junior Varsity Girls defeated Baird last Tuesday night by the wide margin of 37-19. Lana Rice scored nine points as Winters' high point player, and Melinda Sims scored eight.

Varsity Boys

The Varsity Boys fell to Baird last Tuesday night, 53-50. The boys led 16-14 at the end of the first quarter, but fell behind 24-20 by the half.

Baird led 38-36 at the end of the third quarter. Jeff McDorman scored 12 points as Winters' high point man; Don Kvapil scored 11, and Kent Billups made nine. The boys hit 14 of 22 free throws for 64 per cent.

In the Roscoe Tournament, the boys' first game was a very exciting one, including an overtime period which saw the Blizzards score 12 points to Hamlin's six to win the game.

Hamlin outscored Winters 12-10 in the first quarter, and increased their lead to 30-16 by halftime.

Crimestopper winners

RUNNELS COUNTY CRIMESTOPPERS would like to congratulate the winners in the RUNNELS COUNTY CRIMESTOPPERS drawing. Congratulations to Chad Helwig, Johnny Barrow, Beth Blome, Dorothy Gottschalk, Bill Kirk, Mrs. Rufus Allen, Jesse Gomez, Louis Johnson, Matt Heinze, W.H. Rose, Ron Hodges, Clayton Davis, Ron Eddington, J.B. Wilson, Alma Matteson,

Junior Varsity Boys

Baird defeated the Winters Junior Varsity Boys 41-39 in another close game with an overtime period last week.

At the end of the first quarter, the score was tied at seven points; Baird led 20-19 at the half.

Baird increased their lead to 33-27 by the end of the third quarter, but Winters came back to tie the score at 37 all at the end of regulation playing time.

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You can't buy it in a department store, order it through a magazine or a newspaper, or purchase it through a radio or television advertisement. What is it?? INDEPENDENCE!!

This independence comes in the form of not having to rely or depend on someone else for peace of mind. For elderly, handicapped or isolated people it is freedom from fear and liberty from worry. You can give this gift of independence to a close friend or relative for Christmas. You can increase their self-sufficiency, self-reliance, and self-esteem by giving them Lifeline.

What is Lifeline? Lifeline is part of the Emergency Response System (ERS) Program which is just beginning for people 60 years of age or older in Runnels County. The ERS Program uses Lifeline to provide 24 hour access to help when a person is home alone. A small portable help button is worn by the person.

Whenever an emergency arises, a press of the button automatically dials a telephone number notifying the ERS Base Station that help is needed. Immediately the person in trouble is called to see what the problem is. If there is no answer, emergency responders who live close by are called. Responders may be friends, relatives, and neighbors, or anyone selected by the ERS participant when the equipment is installed. If no responders are available, community law enforcement personnel or Emergency Medical Services are dispatched. When a responder arrives at the home, the Lifeline unit informs the Base Station that help has arrived. A timer makes it possible for Lifeline to call for help even if the person is unconscious.

The Emergency Response System Program is being implemented through a cooperative effort between Runnels County, the West Central Texas Council of Governments, and Holiday Hill, Inc. Coleman Care Center. The ERS Base Station is located at the Coleman Care Center.

Many elderly and handicapped persons and their loved ones share one thing in common, they fear that something can happen to them and that they might lie undiscovered for days. Research has shown that caring families feel a relieved sense of burden when their loved one is protected by ERS. An ERS Lifeline unit is a gift that reminds someone that you care, even when you are not there.

Blessings

May Peace dwell within your hearts, bringing joy to you and yours this Christmas season.

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Wes & June Hays & Staff
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Holiday Menu

Appetizers
Hearts of Love Seasoned Greetings Dash of Cheer

Entree
Large Cup of Joy Generous Portions of Kindness Casserole of Happiness

Desserts
Cherished Friendship - Assorted Delights

Beverage
Old Fashioned Merriment

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Best Wishes For the Happiest Holidays Ever!
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We will close at 2 p.m. Dec. 24 for the Holidays, and reopen at 5:30 a.m., Monday, Jan. 2, 1984



Santa and friends

Students at the Lutheran Pre-School enjoyed a visit from Santa at their

Christmas party last week. Gifts and refreshments added to the excitement.

Santa Claus Takes the Wrong Turn

By Kim Slaughter
Seventh Grade Student
"Where is Santa Claus?" asked little Joey. It was Christmas night, about 9 o'clock and Santa Claus had not come. Soon all the

little children were asking the same question. Meanwhile, Santa Claus was lost in the fog. He was circling around trying to find earth when he saw something up ahead. It

looks like earth so he led the sleigh over there.

Back on earth, the little children were getting sleepy. But first, before going to sleep, they put the cookies and milk out for Santa Claus. When the cookies and milk were set out, the children went to sleep.

"This is not earth," exclaimed Santa Claus. "earth people are not green." Santa Claus had just met one of the martians.

The martian asked, "Who are you?"

"Why, you don't know who I am," replied Santa Claus. "I am Santa Claus, the jolliest and most friendly person on earth. I have to be going now." He rode away on his sleigh.

It was morning now and all the children had woken up. The children were so sad because the milk had soured, and the cookies were no longer any good.

Now it was light outside so Santa Claus could see where he was going. Santa Claus spotted earth right away and led the sleigh over there to earth.

Santa Claus stopped at each house to satisfy the children. He apologized for being late and went on his way.

Christmas Love

By Kim Wilson
Seventh Grade Student
From inside the house it looked like a loving house from heaven. The little house had three rooms, a bedroom, a den, and a kitchen.

The tiny cozy den was dark. It had carpeted walls and floors. It had a fireplace that kept the house warm. Beside the rock fireplace was a stack of small logs with some bark on the floor that had chipped off while carrying it in. The old furniture was simple but cozy.

The wee kitchen was old fashion with baskets hanging on the walls. The old stove and wooden table just fit perfectly into the little groves and winds.

The medium sized bedroom was decorated with white and blue curtains and a bedspread to match. The wall paper was very unique.

There was a little old lady who kept the house neat and clean. Her name was Mrs. Snow. Mrs. Snow was a short, white haired lady and wore little spectacles.

It was five days till Christmas and Mrs. Snow was all ready. She was sitting in a soft chair drinking hot cocoa, when all of a sudden, she heard a hard knock on the door she hurriedly ran to the door. Mrs. Snow opened the door slowly then she looked up and almost dropped dead. It was Santa Claus!

Mrs. Snow let him in and took off his snow covered boots and they sat in front of the fire sipping on cocoa. Santa Claus explained that he took his sled out for a test drive when the harness broke off his reindeer, and they kept on going.

Mrs. Snow demanded that if his reindeer didn't come back that Santa stay the night.

The next morning snow was deeper than ever. Santa really needed to get home to check on his elves, thought Mrs. Snow.

Well that morning Mrs. Snow went to her tiny kitchen and started to work on Santa's breakfast. Mrs. Snow made him pancakes, waffles, eggs, bacon, toast, and orange juice with coffee. Then Mrs. Snow went and rapped on the door three times for Santa to get up. Mrs. Snow waited for a moment. She heard no sound so she poured her some coffee and sat down by the fire.

Mrs. Snow began thinking about what Santa had said. He had said he needed to get back to his house. Mrs. Snow crept into her bedroom, put on her boots and coat then went to the barn. Mrs. Snow went and hitched Polly and Molly up to the sled and led them in front of the house.

After Santa finished his breakfast, Mrs. Snow got him all ready and hooked Santa's sleigh behind the horses. Santa Claus started talking about how much he needed some help. Mrs. Snow suggested she help him this Christmas.

Blessings to All

Heartiest greetings of the season! It's always a pleasure to wish our friends the very best!

TRIPLE "J" STORE



Crews

By Hilda Kurtz

If you see 10 troubles coming down the road you can be sure that 9 will run into the ditch before they reach you—

Our deepest sympathy to Doris and Marion Wood and their families and other relatives due to the death of her mother Mrs. Katie Bodine, Ft. Worth, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L.C. Fuller and Mrs. Amber Fuller attended Doug Black funeral in Ballinger Tuesday.

Mrs. Hazel Mae Bragg attended a ball tournament Friday and Saturday in Novice.

The Michaelwicz families had their Christmas dinner and supper in the Winters Mt. Carmel Hall Sunday. Around 75 attended and enjoyed the tree and exchanging of gifts and just visiting.

Mrs. Alta Hale visited in the Horace Stokes home Monday night in Talpa with Mrs. Nellon Hudson in Coleman on Saturday night.

Happy Birthday Harvey Mae, and congratulations to you and Noble on your 49th wedding anniversary.

We welcome our new resident to our community.

Santa Claus was overjoyed.

The next morning Mrs. Snow hugged Santa goodbye and promised she'd be there when Santa finished his delivery to all the sweet children.

After a long hard night Santa went home and crawled into bed. The next morning Santa got up and was so thankful he asked Mrs. Snow to marry him. Mrs. Snow with no hesitation shouted, "Yes, Yes, Yes!!!" Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus lived happily ever after.

Benjamin Franklin was the first head of the U.S. Post Office.

Paula and Kenneth Baker, and their little daughter Dee formerly of San Angelo. Their new home was moved in last week where the Oxene Church and school used to be. We are always glad to get new folks into our community. Jack and Joan Webb, Dallas, spent Saturday with the Rodney Faubion family.

Brandon Phillips, Abilene, is spending a few days. The Faubions had supper Friday night in Abilene with the Danny Phillips family.

During the week with the Doug Bryans, Kenda and Jason Nitch, Diwitt, Lelon and Doris, Brent Bryans, Vicki Blackeby.

Merry Christmas to you all.



Greetings of the Season

Wishing happiness and peace to you!

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Marva Jean Underwood, Owner

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REJOICE

Let us glory in the wonder of Our Saviour's birth, as we share the infinite blessings His message brings. Thanks to our faithful friends at this hallowed season.

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CAKES	PIES
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We will be closed Monday Dec. 26.



Twelve days of Christmas

The second graders enthusiastically proclaimed the gifts of Christmas in the primary Christmas program Friday morning in the high school auditorium.

Sales tax rebate up in County

State Comptroller Bob Bullock has sent checks totaling \$52 million in local sales tax payments to the 980 cities that levy the one percent city sales tax.

For the second straight month the city checks came earlier than usual, thanks to taxpayers meeting the state's new earlier reporting deadline of the 20th of the month. "This payment is up 23.3 percent over the payment that we sent out last December," Bullock said. "Part of the increase comes from our continued economic recovery and part comes from the cooperation Texas taxpayers have given this office in making earlier tax payments and that way

avoiding a state tax increase."

Checks totaling \$17,331.62 were sent to the three cities in Runnels County that levy the city sales tax. This amount reflects an increase of 7.13 percent over the same period last year.

Winters check was in the amount of \$6,543.26 and Miles received \$692.90. The largest check in the county, \$10,095.46 was sent to the City of Ballinger.

Miles showed the largest percentage of increase over the previous year with 35.52 percent. Ballinger's increase was an even 8 percent while Winters showed an increase of 2.46 percent. Houston's check for \$9.5

million was the largest, up nearly 13 percent from last December. So far in 1983,

Houston's payments are 7.9 percent below 1982. The December checks

were for taxes collected on sales made in October.

Crimestoppers holiday tips

Every holiday season the police are flooded with shoplifting, purse snatching, and theft calls. You, the consumer, can help by taking steps to protect yourself and your purchases.

Ladies, do not walk away from your shopping cart and leave your purse or your child unattended. Always lock your purchases either in the trunk of your vehicle or somewhere out of sight in your vehicle. Always lock your vehicle.

justice is every citizen's business. If you observe a person shoplifting or burglarizing another person's vehicle, inform the store manager or a store employee as quickly as possible.

This public service message is presented by

RUNNELS COUNTY CRIMESTOPPERS with the hope that you will have a safe and merry Christmas and a very happy New Year.

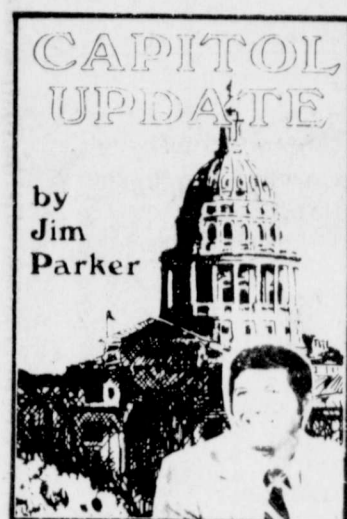
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HARRISON'S AUTO PARTS



by Jim Parker

CAPITOL UPDATE

cases, and all civil cases above the jurisdictional amount of county courts. District Courts have many specialized functions too numerous to mention.

The District judge is most often the "high profile" election official that most of us see or have contact with on anything like a daily basis and is the representative of the "state" who is nearest to us, as citizens, on a local or county level.

In this the third part of a four part series, I would like to highlight the functions and operations of the district court system. They are the highest trial level courts in our state system and each presiding judge must be a licensed attorney to qualify. Generally speaking the district court has jurisdiction over all felony criminal cases (felonies being punishable by penitentiary time), repeat offender D.W.I.

The district court is not

the highest court in the state, ranking under Courts of Appeal and the Supreme Court in civil cases and under Courts of Appeal and the Court of Criminal Appeals in criminal cases; but, it is the highest court in the state where an issue can be decided by a jury and where evidence and testimony are taken. All higher courts are courts of appeal and decisions there are made strictly on the basis of the written record from district court and upon argument of counsel.

Another unusual provision in our Constitution allows the district judge to appoint the county auditor of each county within that judge's district, thereby giving the district judge, indirectly, a considerable power and influence over county budgeting and finance. In most cases this is probably very beneficial in that it allows the district judge, who is somewhat of an "outsider" in regard to county affairs, to adopt an objective viewpoint not influenced by some of the considerations possibly necessary to the county elected officials. In most of my observations it usually provides for a nice system of checks and balances.

There is, of course, overlaid upon the state judicial system, the Federal judicial system that very, very few citizens ever come in contact with. Unfortunately, as with other areas of governmental operations, there has been a trend in past years to extend the Federal judiciary into areas habitually handled by the state judicial system. I view this as yet another forceable intrusion of the Federal government into our daily lives and a marked lessening of our individual ability to control our destiny through the selection of our elected officials. You, as voters, can

select, retain or boot out any state judge at any of the court levels. On the other hand, a Federal judge is appointed for life and the only power that I know of greater than that of a Federal judge would be Divine Power. Unfortunately, many Federal judges fail to recognize that God is a superior power to them.

I am sure there will be glee and rejoicing when you discover this is the fourth and last article on courts. I hope I have not addressed any of the courts too lightly as to mislead anyone for, as I have said, as a separate but equal branch of government, the court system is very important and much more involved than I have been fully able to address in these articles.

Please accept this in the nature of a "clean-up" article in that there are certain, unusual, statutorily created courts that we may come into contact with and you should recognize them for what they are should such contact occur.

All state courts I have discussed up to this point in time have been created by virtue of our State Constitution and, therefore, are called "constitutional courts." The courts I now discuss were created by the Legislature, through statute law hence the name, "statutory courts."

These courts were created by the Legislature to supposedly serve a specific purpose and fill a specific need. They fall into three general categories, namely: civil, probate, and criminal courts-at-law. These courts, almost without exception, are urban animals in that they are found in high population, metropolitan areas. They have been designed to absorb some of the staggering caseload of existing constitutional courts and, especially in the latter two cases, to "free up" the constitutional county judge so he can be "manager" of a large county and not have to be tied down to judicial duties better left to a qualified lawyer sitting as judge. The basic physical difference in these courts

and in constitutional courts is that statutory courts are usually funded by county revenues instead of by state revenues. I suspect most of them were set up because the state would not fund what the localities believed to be necessary courts, so necessary that the counties would pay for them; but, there is now a strong movement to "legitimize" these courts by bringing them into the state court system and allowing the state to pay their expenses.

Since there is not a single statutory court in my Legislative district, it is difficult for me, as your representative, to justify the "legitimization" because it would, in effect, place us in the position of subsidizing courts in metropolitan areas.

The courts pretty well do what their name implies but have a hodgepodge, statewide, of jurisdiction, requirements and criteria. One would almost have to have a copy of the enabling legislation to determine exactly what any given statutory court can, in fact, do.

Hopefully you are a little more familiar with the Texas court system. I would suggest that if you have a specific question about a specific court, you call my office at 512-475-5941 and if we cannot answer your question ourselves, we will certainly find the person who can and get back to you with the answer as promptly as possible.

Barker joins Hereford Assoc.
Preston and Naida Barker, Winters, Tx., have been accepted into the membership of the American Hereford Association, according to an announcement by H.H. Dickenson, Executive Vice President of the AHA.

The American Hereford Association, headquartered in Kansas City, Missouri, is the world's largest beef breed registry organization, having entered more than 18 million head into the records since it was founded in 1881.

Hospital X-Ray Machine Fund increases

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Jewell E. Traylor	40.00
Larry Ray Webb	15.00
TOTAL	\$29,458.25

Santa Claus will visit at 317 North Melwood, Buck Watson's home, at 6 p.m., December 24 with gifts of candy for all children present. Merry Christmas



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