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## AD-LIB-BEN



Libby and Ben Oglesby  
Eddie Alexander  
Effie Corley  
Buddy Walker  
Donald Spiller

Have you moved through the streets of Bronte or other towns lately and felt Christmas in the air? Have you heard the children laugh, or read their letters to Santa Claus, or have you heard them singing Christmas carols? Have you seen gaily decorated trees and other decorations and had them instill in you a wonderful Christmas magic?

We have done these things. And we hope always to do them, for we believe there is no getting old for the spirit of Christmas. We may be sadly disillusioned some day, but we believe the round of parties, and all our other busyness, will always be fun at Christmas time. Perhaps we get tired of all the activity and bustle sometimes, but we think it's worth all the effort.

Our wish for you, all our friends, is that you have been enjoying the Christmas season as we have been; and that you, too, will have as merry and happy a Christmas as we expect to have.

### BAND BOOSTERS CLUB

A Band Boosters club has been organized in the Bronte school and members say they are ready to go to work to help improve the band.

Members of the band will be around to see everybody in Bronte within the next few weeks, selling memberships in the club. Some time ago band members received a rather cool reception from a few towns people when they were approached and asked to buy a membership in the club. A spokesman asked that local residents be courteous to the youngsters, whether or not a membership is purchased. Memberships are \$1.00 each.

Main project now planned is to raise sufficient funds to make it possible to buy new uniforms for the band members.

### LOCALS

Mrs. Fred McDonald Jr. and son, Freddie of Phoenix, Ariz., are here for the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Lula Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Sharp and children of Carlsbad, N. M., visited friends in Bronte Monday and Tuesday. Sharp is a former minister of the Bronte Church of Christ.

J. T. Adair arrived last weekend from Houston for a holiday visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Adair. Expected for Christmas are their three daughters, Mrs. George Faulk, Midland, Mrs. Clifford Baker and Mrs. Charlie Phillips, of San Angelo, and their families.

Mrs. Verna Allen has returned from Brownwood where she has been with her niece, who was seriously ill. She plans to go to Odessa on the Sunday after Christmas to visit her daughter, Mrs. Bert Vanderland.

## Mrs. Watson, 51, Former Resident, Dies in Arlington

Mrs. Mayme C. (Littlefield) Watson, 51, doormother at the Hendrick Memorial Hospital nursing home in Abilene and former resident of Bronte and Robert Lee, died at 11 p. m. Saturday in Memorial Hospital at Arlington. She had been a patient there since the previous week. She had been a patient in Hendrick hospital for a week before that.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a. m. Monday in the Southside Baptist Church in Abilene where she was a member. Dr. Frank Royal, pastor, was in charge. Burial was in Soda Springs cemetery where graveside rites were held at 4 p. m. Monday.

Pallbearers were J. A. Edington, W. C. McHan, Gene McKinney, Ira Duck, Martin Weiss, all of Abilene and Paul Good of Robert Lee.

She was the former Mayme C. Bernard and was born Sept. 7, 1908, near Weatherford. She attended school there and married A. W. Littlefield. They moved to Robert Lee in 1940 and operated a grocery store. After Mr. Littlefield's death, she operated cafes in Bronte and Robert Lee until her marriage to E. E. Watson when she moved to Abilene.

She had been employed at the Hendrick Hospital and had been off work a short time.

Surviving are two daughter, Mrs. R. L. Smith (Joyce) and Mrs. S. E. Thomas (Glenda) both of Arlington; a son, Jarvis Littlefield of Afton, Okla.; her mother, Mrs. J. D. Bernard of Weatherford; three brothers, Ted Bernard of Richardson, Jim Bernard of Arlington, Gaylord Bernard of Calif., two sisters, Mrs. R. P. Littlefield of Weatherford and Mrs. J. M. Rippetoe of Bangs; and eight grandchildren.

## Mrs. Caruthers Honored by Cubs

By Mrs. Charles Ragsdale

The Cub Scouts and parents of Blackwell Pack 149 honored Den Mother, Mrs. Bernice Caruthers, at a pack meeting last Monday night at the Methodist fellowship hall for her work in Cub Scouts the past five years. Mrs. Caruthers is retiring from the Cubs to join the auxiliary troop of Boy Scouts.

Mrs. Jacke Johnson presented Mrs. Caruthers with a Scout plaque with the names of all parents who have had boys under her in the past years.

The new Den Mother, Mrs. Ben Kemp, presented her with a large cake from the mothers, decorated in blue and gold with five candles.

Mrs. Caruthers' den presented her with a Sterling silver charm bracelet with her name and Cubs '59 inscribed on it. They also gave her a silver table lighter.

Mrs. Kemp presented her with stationery and Scout pen.

There were 42 parents and boys present, along with District Scoutmaster Bob Hickman of Sweetwater.

Mrs. Caruthers will receive the highest honor for a Den Mother, the Gold Key, on Dec. 21 at Sweetwater. Ben Kemp is the new Cub Master with J. D. Taylor assistant. James Saunders is District Chairman of the Boy Scouts.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill McKown and family of Farwell arrived here the middle of the week to spend the holidays with relatives.

## At Christmas

Mr. and Mrs. Evert Best are having their Christmas dinner on Wednesday before Christmas. They are expecting their son, Jimmy Best, of Sweetwater, and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Coppedge and family will entertain relatives on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Springer will spend the holiday weekend with his relatives in Rockdale. They will also spend some of the holiday in San Angelo with Mrs. Springers family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Caperton expect to have all their children and their families for Christmas. They are: Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Dean Caperton and baby of Lubbock. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Belcher and children of Andrews; Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Caperton and children of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Caperton and family, Bronte.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Clark and children plan to go to Dublin to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Charlie Self.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cumbie and girls will visit Christmas Eve with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Cumbie, and will go to San Angelo Christmas Day to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Luby.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Davis and family will travel to Carthage where both their parents live. It will be their first time to go to their parents' homes on Christmas in seven years.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Griggs and Tam will be her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Pulis of Berino, New Mex., her grandfather, Loyd Blenis of Wichita Falls and her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kinder of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Way from Denton.

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Herron will have their children home for Christmas. They are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Herron and Mike, Mr. and Ms. Carroll Leathes, John Robert and Ann and Roberta Herron, all of Odessa.

Arlie Gail Lammers, student at the University of Houston, will arrive Thursday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Lammers. Mr. and Mrs. Lammers will observe their 34th wedding anniversary on Dec. 24, Christmas Eve.

Rev. and Mrs. Lester Vinson and family will spend Christmas at home. Guests will include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Newt Gullett of Duke, Okla., her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Ollie Deaton of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Knierim of Bronte.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Tidwell are expecting their children home for Christmas. They are Mr. and Mrs. Theron Tidwell Jr. and girls of Lamesa, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Stevens and girls of Happy Valley, Mr. and Mrs. James Arnold Tidwell and Shelene. Also expected are Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Story of San Angelo.

Miss Nannie Marie Pearson and Mrs. Anna Whitfield are spending the Christmas holidays in Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Alexander will have all of their children and their families home during the holidays. They are J. L. Alexander, Fort Worth. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Alexander, Pewaukee, Wisconsin; Mr. and Mrs. Dick Webster and family, Ozona; Mrs. Doris Conley and daughter, San Angelo; Sgt. James Sanker and family, Valdosta, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Billy Alexander, Sweetwater and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Alexander and Wayne, Bronte.

## Some Firms to Take 2 Days for Christmas

Business men of Bronte were unable to reach an agreement on closing days to be observed during Christmas, so some firms will be open on Saturday after Christmas,

while others will observe a long weekend, a two-day holiday, and be closed both Christmas Day and Saturday.

Firms which have indicated they will close both days include C. R. Smith & Co., Bronte Feed & Supply, White Auto Store, The Bronte Enterprise, Cumbie & Mackey, Bob Wilson Barber Shop, the City Hall, Caperton Chevrolet Co., Butane Service and Hardware Co. and Bronte Motor Co.

Opening Saturday will be Sims Food Store, Central Drug, Hughes Radio & TV Repair, First National Bank and the post office.

Cumbie Food Store will be open a short time Christmas morning and on Saturday. Cactus Cafe will be open until about 11 o'clock on Christmas morning and also on Saturday. City Cafe will be open all day Christmas as well as Saturday. Nita's Cafe and Coffee Shop Cafe will be closed Christmas day, but will open for business as usual on Saturday. Home Lumber Company will close on Christmas Day but will be open until noon Saturday.

## Coke Organizes Lyndon Johnson President Club

A Coke County Lyndon Johnson for President Club was organized at a meeting last Friday afternoon at the court house in Robert Lee.

Named president of the group was D. K. Glenn of Bronte. Mrs. Golda Smith is vice-chairman and Mrs. Winnie Waldrop, secretary-treasurer.

Most counties in the state now have Johnson for President Clubs.

### FINE RAIN

"The best I ever saw in December" were the words heard frequently after the rains which fell here the latter part of last week. Approximately two inches of moisture fell over this entire section.

Farmers and stockmen say the small grains which they have will really grow now, and they are looking forward to some good grazing from their fields.

Pasture land was also greatly benefitted from the rain. Cool but beautiful days have been on tap for Bronte residents most of this week.

### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT TO IMPROVE CULVERTS

The Texas Highway Department will spend \$12,500 for improvements on State Highway 70 in Coke County during 1960. D. C. Greer, State Highway Engineer, has announced. This is in addition to the regular construction and maintenance program.

The State Highway Commission has approved the appropriation to widen culverts on state Highway 19 between the Nolan County line and US 277. There will be little or no additional right of way required, Greer said.

## Bronte HD Club Ladies Have Christmas Party

The Bronte Home Demonstration Club had their Christmas party Tuesday night, Dec. 15 in the Fellowship Hall of the Methodist Church. A covered dish supper was served. Guests were husbands of the club members and the H. D. agent, Miss Carol Hooper.

Gifts were exchanged from the Christmas tree and Sunshine pals were revealed.

Present were Messrs. and Mmes. C. E. Arrott, J. C. Boatright, Floyd Crunk, Taylor Emerson, Gene Halamecek, Wornock Hipp, Herbert Holland, J. F. Hughes, O. R. McQueen, Ronald Walton, and W. W. Whalen.

The first meeting of the New Year will be with Mrs. C. L. Kiker on January 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Hughes of Midland are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hughes and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Sharp for the Christmas holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wilson, Robbie and Nancy will spend Christmas Day in Breckenridge with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Reed.

## Postmaster Will Deliver Packages Christmas Day

Postmaster Noah Pruitt, Jr. said Wednesday that he will deliver any Christmas packages which are received at the local post office on Christmas morning. This applies only to patrons who live in town, he said.

Pruitt expressed his appreciation to local residents for their cooperation in getting packages mailed early and for their understanding of the rush which has been going on at the local post office the past several days.

Rather than open the parcel post window on Christmas morning, as has been the custom in the past, Pruitt said he decided to deliver the packages. He is not required to perform either of these services and is doing this as an accommodation to local post office patrons.



## New Tax Exemptions

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Bagwell of San Angelo are parents of a new son, Mark Wayne, born Thursday, Dec. 10 in San Angelo. He weighed 6 pounds and 10 ounces. The Bagwells are former residents of Bronte.

Mary Jo is the new daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Proctor. The little girl was born Tuesday, December 15, in a San Angelo hospital and weighed 6 pounds and one ounce.

Mr. and Mrs. Eliseo Sanchez are parents of a daughter born Tuesday, Dec. 22. The baby's name was not available at press time. She weighed 8 pounds, 7 ounces at birth in the Bronte Hospital.

### NOTICE

For West Texas Utilities service during the holiday weekend, patrons are asked to call GR 3-3081. If there is no answer or in case of emergency call GL 3-3731 or GL 3-2591 in Robert Lee.

Ben Oglesby Publisher  
Mrs. Ben Oglesby Editor

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UNCLE HUIE from HOG CREEK says

DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

As a general thing, our preacher is a very independent feller and don't pick out his sermons with a eye on the season of the year. He's liable to pick out Thanksgiving Day fer a sermon on the Declaration of Independence, but Sunday he crossed us up and took his text on Christmas.

He allowed as how Christmas Day was a time when folks ought to do a heap of thinking about the "brotherhood of man." I'm strong in favor of thinking about it, but I ain't got much faith in the outcome. Fer instant, it'll be mighty hard to ever git a complete brotherhood of man as long as two fellers is trying to marry the same girl or a Democrat and a Republican is campaigning fer the same office.

But I think Christmas is a good time fer a feller to try and git a better understanding of his friends and neighbors and use it to help hold together what little world we got left.

It would hlep a heap of folks if they'd git up about four o'clock Christmas morning and go out and take a good, long look at the heavens above 'em. A feller can feel mighty small and humble when he looks up these cold, clear mornings at the castness of heavenful of shining stars and planets. He gits to thinking there's a awful lot of space in this universe and that humans might not be all that's important in God's scheme of things. The human race shifts around a lot and maps don't stay put from one war to the next, but them heavens put there ain't changed a bit since the start of time.

Us rural folks that putters around afore daylight doing our chores and looking at that sky sometimes git somepun in our hearts and souls that a heap of city folks might not git. and at Christmas time it will make a feller humble and thankful fer God's blessings and makes him feel a little more friendly with the human race.

Joy to All

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Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Luttrell, Jr. and Boys



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Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brock

NEWS FROM TENNYSON

By Mrs. John Gaston

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Feil and Robert left Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Allen Brown at Wichita, Kansas.

Spending the night with Mary Corley Friday were Janelle Gaston, Beth Ivey and Barbara Baggett of Bronte. The occasion was Mary's birthday.

Sunday visitors in the Claud Ditmore home were Mr. and Mrs. Elton McGinnis and family of Eldorado, and the D. W. Sheffey family of San Angelo.

George James, Jr. of Ozona spent the weekend here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George James.

Chester Derrick of Andrews was here on a short visit Monday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Derrick.

Recent visitors in the Tom Green home were Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Ditmore, Dub Adams of Ballinger and William Green of San Angelo.

Mrs. Claud Cotten and Buddy Gaston of San Angelo were dinner guests in the John Gaston home Sunday.

The quilting club met with Mrs. Otto Finck December 17. A covered dish luncheon was served at noon and Christmas gifts were exchanged.

Ladies present were Mmes. Ben Brooks, Wallace Montgomery, Roy Baker, Charlie Brown, Hamp Thomas, Ed Conard, Claude Ditmore Tom Green, Sudie Brown, W. L. and J. W. Caudle, Bill Feil, Erve Little, John Gaston and Jeffrey. The club will meet with Mrs. Douglas Ditmore on January 7. Clifford Garrett spent Friday

Yep, there's a lot of religion and Christmas spirit a feller can see these mornings way up there above that barn. If he looks long enough and hard enough his bitterness about politics, religion, or things in life will git a heap smaller and his love fer mankind will git a heap bigger.

But I know there ain't many of you folks that is going to git up at four o'clock Christmas morning to see this wonderfl sight, so I'll knock off my sermon right here. In the meantime, I ain't mad with nobody, Mister Editor, and my little pieces to your paper is always meant in fun. I'm at peace with everbody at this Christmas-time, and I want to wish everbody, including them free-wheeling Congressmen, a MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Yours truly, Uncle Huie



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night with Johnny Gaston.

Michael Gaston of San Angelo came out Sunday to spend the holidays in the John Gaston home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Corley and boys visited Mrs. Gladys Davis in San Angelo Monday.

Mary Corley and Janelle Gaston spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. James Tidwell in Bronte.

Sunday visitors in the Tom Green home were Mrs. Sudie Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brown, Brookshire, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Howell, San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Ditmore, William Green and Robert Richtie, San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Ditmore spent the weekend in Abilene with the Raymond Ditmore family.

Freddie Thomas was a weekend guest of Douglas Baggett in San Angelo.

Recent visitors in the Hamp Thomas home were Homer and Bert Cornelius, Clarence Derrick, Mrs. Dewey Baggett and Doug, Mrs. Patty Thomas and Leon McCarty, San Angelo.

Mrs. Clifford Hageman of Bronte spent Friday with Mrs. Sudie Brown.

The Ditmore family had their Christmas dinner Sunday, December 20. Present for the occasion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Ditmore were Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Ditmore, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ditmore and boys of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Elton McGinnis and children, Eldorado, and Mrs. D. W. Sheffey and family of San Angelo.

LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. Kate Cox will visit during Christmas with her sister, Mrs. R. C. Lyon at Brownwood and with other relatives at Burnet.

Spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Luttrell Jr. and family will be Mr. and Mrs. Billie Glenn and son of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Allen and daughter of Snyder, and J. H. Glenn and Sue of Crane. Their son, James David, who is a Texas Tech student, is also home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Vinson of Quinlan spent last weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Fletcher. The foursome went to Sterling City Sunday to have dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fletcher.



Peace on Earth

May the spirit of Christmas be with you always.

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## True Message Is Offensive to Us

By Rev. Bob Grimes

What can one say at Christmas about the Gospel of Christ which he does not try to say at all other seasons of the year? However, there are a few things I would like to mention about the Christmas event in this space so graciously provided by the Bronte Enterprise for the local pastors to sound-off if they so desire.

The idea that I would like to maintain is that the Christmas message in its stark reality is basically an offense to modern man. It is possible to be bothered about

lesser offenses in the Christmas story and never really see the major offense announced in the Christmas message. It is possible through our sentimentality (and this is my temptation) to remove the offense of Christ at Christmas completely. But under no circumstances must the people of God in our day be accused of watering down or removing the basic offense of the Christmas message.

The Christmas message is offensive because it speaks of an unmerited gift to the world. A symbol of this gift can be seen in the giving of gifts by parents to children at Christmas. These gifts are given freely without asking if the children deserve them or if they have been good. And it is a gross corruption of the whole idea of gift giving if this is used as a club to hold over a child's head at Christmas time. God doesn't ask if we are good and deserve Christ. He simply sends Jesus Christ as a gift to the world precisely because the world is not good and does not deserve Him. It is extremely difficult for us to receive this kind of gift because it places us all on the same level, that is, on the level of being receivers.

However, some people in receiving this gift are lead to repentance.

Finally, the message of Christmas is offensive to modern man because it is a word of complete acceptance announced to the world which embodies, to be sure, God's word of judgment but both of these are viewed as deeds of mercy. The mission of the Church in our day, as I understand it, is to announce to the world this word of forgiveness and acceptance. You can readily see that if the Church took seriously this task it would revolutionize our Church life and our community life.

To hear, understand, and receive this message is our greatest

need. To believe that God loves me and receives me in the world to the extent that He is willing to become involved in the world is the ultimate in good news and it is the message of Christmas.

In this light my family joins with me in wishing for you a MERRY CHRISTMAS.

## PERSONALS

Mrs. T. F. Sims, Sr. had her Christmas dinner Sunday and had as her guests an aunt, Mrs. Madora Pearce of Ft. Worth, two cousins, Miss Donna Modrall and Mrs. Jessie Dennis, of Mineral Wells, a nephew, J. D. Jones, and family of Kerrville, two brothers, Gus and Brooks Jones of San Angelo, her daughter, Mrs. Royce Hayley, and Mr. Hayley of San Angelo, and her son, T. F. Sims, Jr. and family. Also present were Mrs. Edna Butner, Mrs. Mabel Myers, Mrs. Mattie Glenn, Vernon Glenn and family. The occasion was also Brooks Jones' birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Whitt will have their children home for Christmas. They are Mrs. D. O. Fleming and family of San Angelo, LaMarr Whitt of Dallas and Hubert Whitt, Jr. of Jal, N. M.

Stanley Phillips of Ft. Riley, Kansas is home for the holidays. He will visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Phillips, and other relatives. After the holidays he will go to Ft. Dix, N. J. for eight

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weeks at an Army school.

Mr. and Mrs. James Allen, Deanie and Bobby, went to San Antonio to visit Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Allen and their son, Jamie. Jamie returned home with them for a holiday visit.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Brunson Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brunson of Beaumont, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Vaughn, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Williams and boys of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Rance Brunson of Mertzon, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Buckalew, Ronnie and Gary, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Brunson, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Vaughn and children and Jimmy Brunson.

The Garland Spencers will have the following relatives of Mrs. Spencer as their guests for Christmas: Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Hanks of Nolan, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Dillard of Colorado City, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Leib and Billy of Colorado City, and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McCoy of Midland.

Mrs. Jessie Black, Mrs. W. B. McShan, Miss Ella Clyde Black, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Black and Ernest Black had an early Christmas dinner last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hembree and family in Midland.

READ THE WANT ADS.



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### Christmas Should Draw Us Together

By Melvin Placke

In just a few days we will be hearing, "Ring out the old, ring in the new," but first many of us will pause to close out the old year by drawing a little bit nearer to friends, loved ones, and Almighty God.

We feel that this is as it should be. The old year, rapidly passing away, has held its moments of happiness and moments of sorrow which we have shared with friends loved ones and our Heavenly Father. It seems altogether proper then that we pause one more time during this season to allow ourselves to again be drawn near to one another. By so doing we weld together even more closely those friendships of many seasons, the love of dear ones is strengthened with the years. Nearness to God is the promise of those who will "draw night to Him," not just for seasons or years, but for all eternity.

Then as we pass through the days when the busy world pauses to draw just a little closer, let us resolve in the very depths of our hearts that this nearness shall be extended beyond these few days to be carried into the new year and the years ahead.

lington spent the weekend here with the James and Jimmy Lee families. Mrs. Jimmy Lee and Kyle returned to Arlington with Mrs. Nixon, and will go on to Canton where she will visit her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Maynard Rogers. Jimmy will join them there Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Caudle went to Brownwood Sunday to visit an aunt who has been ill. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Caudle and Mr. and Mrs. Willis Smith of Ballinger were Saturday guests of the Willard Caudles.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Boatright spent Saturday night in Bronte with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Arrott and boys.

Mrs. Ella White and son, Orville, of Blackwell came Wednesday and visited through Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Thomas.

Homer Clark of Big Spring was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Gleghorn, Mr. and Mrs. B. V. Hedges visited Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Gleghorn in Miles Monday.

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### BROOKSHIRE BROWSINGS

By Mrs. Herbert Holland

The community had good rains last week with 1-2 inches falling. It was beneficial to small grain and pasture land.

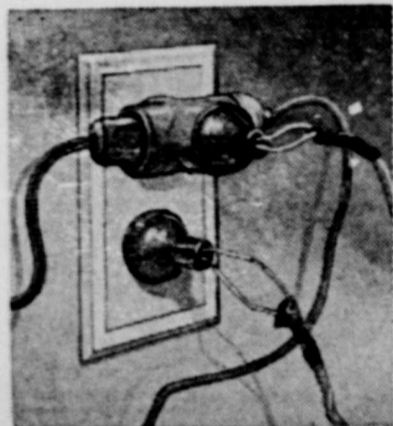
Santa got to the Charlie Brown residence a little early. They are driving a new Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Holland, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Halamicek and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Boatright attended the Christmas supper and party of the HD club in Bronte on Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. B. V. Hedges of Elfrida, Ariz., arrived Sunday night to spend the Christmas holidays with the T. G. Gleghorns and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Holland were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hester in Miles Wednesday night. After supper they played 42 and dominoes. The group attend a Christmas party at Miles Thursday night. Gifts were exchanged and games were played. Hostesses, Mrs. Holland, Mrs. Bert Hester and Mrs. Wesely Prinzing, served refreshments of coffee, hot chocolate and pie.

Mrs. Georgia Mae Nixon of Ar-



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## Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,

I am seven years old. I want some silverware for my mother. I want a duck for my baby sister. Sincerely, Paula Parker. I don't want anything for myself.

Dear Santa Claus,

I am in the second grade. I am eight years old. Please bring me a one year old doll. My sister wants a globe. I want a collar for my dogs. And a rubber ball for my puppy. Cynthia Kay Robinson.

Dear Santa Claus,

I am eight years old. My brother wants a Bee Bee gun. I want a doll for Christmas. My big brother want a 22 rifle. My mother wants a purse. My daddy wants a pair of shoes for Christmas. My sister wants a cancan for Christmas. My sister wants a party dress for Christmas. My brother wants a shirt. Sincerely, Joann Bradshaw.

Dear Santa,

My daddy would like a 30-30. My mother would like a dress. I would like a moving van truck. Jerry Brock.

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a rifle. I want a pair of boots for my daddy. I want a dress for my mother. I have four brothers. I have one sister. Please bring them something. Sincerely, by Keith McCutchen.

Dear Santa Claus,

I am in the second grade. I am seven years old. I want a watch. I want a one years old doll. My sister wants some boots, size 8. I want some boots, too, size 6. I want some clothes for me, size 6. My mother wants some silverware. Love, Kathy Kiker.

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a football suit and my brother wants a farm set and my mother wants a dress and my father wants a pair of houseshoes. Sincerely, Jim Bob Arrott

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a doll with rooted hair. My mother wants some shoes and my daddy wants some boots. My sister wants a doll. I have been good. Love, Janet Thomas

Dear Santa Claus,

I am seven years old. I want a Bee Bee gun and a pair of boots. Sincerely, David Lynn Scott.

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a play buffalo gun. My brother wants a little moving van truck. My mother and father want an electric blanket. My brothers name is Tommy. My mothers name is Mrs. Bob Howard. My father's name is Bob Howard. Sincerely, by Joe Howard.

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a football suit for Christmas and a buffalo rifle for Sid and an electric shaver for daddy. I want a radio for Dean and electric blanket for mother. Sincerely, Gary Med Richards.

Dear Santa Clas,

I want a high heel doll. My brother wants a typewriter. I hope you find my house. Love, Karen Lee.

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a scabbord knife. And I would like a electric blanket for my mother. I would like a watch and a bride doll for me. I am seven years old. Bye now! Sincerely, Paula Coppedge.

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a football suit and my brother wants a dump truck. My sister wants a doll and I want a loader and cement mixer. Sincerely, Nicky Arrott.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a big doll and little doll, and a bicycle. Love, Odalia Menjarez

# Merry Christmas

TO ALL OF  
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### Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a white fur coat and a watch. Sallie Richards.

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been a fairly good boy this year. I would like a tool set, but mostly a pair of boots and a fanning gun. Please remember my sister, Jeanny. Thank you for all my toys you brought last year. Love, Eddie Vinson

Dearest Santa Claus,

I want a Patsy Play Pall doll for Christmas. My sister wants clothes. Don't forget the children in the hospital. If it doesn't snow on Christmas you can use our car. With warm best wishes, Bennie Carol Oglesby

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a doll. Bring a little car for my little cousins and one soft dog for each of my cousins. Love, Olga

Dear Santa,

Dolls, dishes, bikes, buggy, guns, trains, balls, football suit. Vidette

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a gun like Paladins with a Derringer, a horse in a truck with trailer and a train. Richard Smth.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a gun. Joe Basquez.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a baby doll, a record player and clothes for the baby doll, china dishes, records for the record player. Please bring Jimmy a stuffed monkey. Love, Nancy Rawlings.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a machine gun, a space suit, rocket and doctor kit. Love, Danny Joplin.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a bicycle and western skirt with ruffle and blouse to match, also coat. I would like a real horse named Sweet Jenny and play coach like Dale Evans and Roy Rogers use. Love, Jan Aldred

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a bicycle, a doll buggy, high heel doll and dresses and shoes for her, a washer and dishes. Love (This letter wasn't signed but no doubt Santa will know who wrote it.)

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a cowgirl suit, a Coke machine, a little car and some play dishes and a real doll house. Love, Deanna Barbee.

Dear Santa,

Pease bring me a doll, dishes, a little desk, wagon and books. Love, Rosa Sanchez.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a cradle, cash register, a gum machine, also a play sewing machine. Love, Tamalia Griggs

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a cowboy suit, a boy's bike, holster and gun, rifle. Love, Wayne Caulder.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a train, BB gun, football suit. Please visit Ronnie, Joyce and Beaver too. Love, Royce Burney.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a football suit, Josh Randall gun, Indian suit and cowboy suit. Ricky wants a football helmet and cowboy suit. Please bring me some spurs too. Love, Randy Sheppard.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me an electric train, scalbert, football uniform, and helmet, cowboy hat and cowboys jeans and rocking horse, a toy car and some Sunday clothes. Love, Mark Grimes.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a BB gun and electric train and football. Love, Donald.

Dear Santa,

Please bring a doll and a rocking horse for Jodie, a bike with training wheels, a BB gun and BBs of course, a cowboy suit and hat. Love, Jimmy Freeman.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a football suit, and a helmet and a football. Love, Dale Baggett.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a football helmet, electric train, Have gun will travel gun. Love, Tommy

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a bike and a stick horse. Love, Linda.

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a BB gun, and two dolls for my sister and cousin. We like you very, very much. Sincerely, Randy Barbee.

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a bride doll. My big sister wants a bride doll. My little sister wants a bride doll. Sincerely Quida Jacke Dailey.

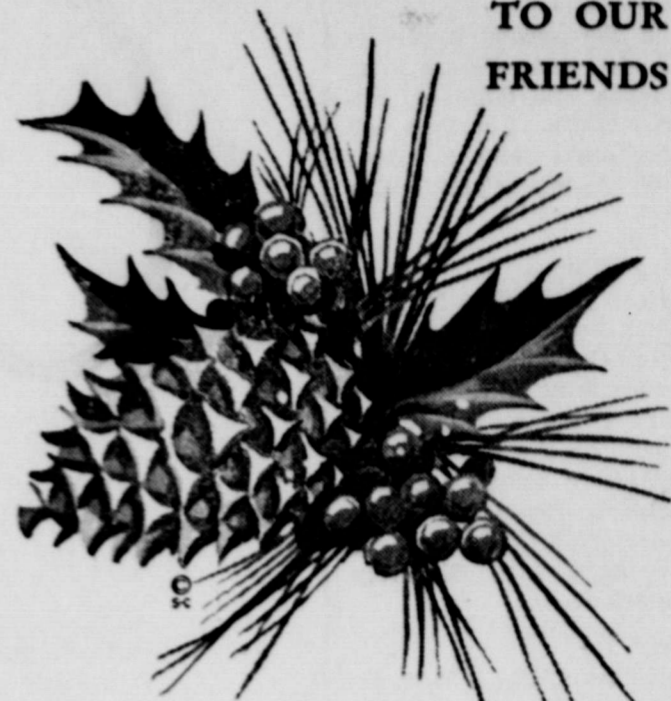
Dear Santa,

Please bring me a BB gun, set of guns, Brown cowboy hat, pair of boots, western pants, spurs, western shirt, bat and ball, football and helmet, a big dump truck, and train and bike. Love, Leo Horton.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a BB gun and a bow and arrow for my brother and electric blanket for my mother and 30-30 for daddy. Love, Bob G.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a cradle and doll. Please bring Robin a truck and please remember Connie. Love, Peggy Butts

### YULETIDE GREETINGS TO OUR FRIENDS



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Beautiful indeed, is the story of Christmas ... the story of how, so many years ago, the wise men saw the light ... the Star ... and followed it to a rich and wonderful reward. Again it is Christmas ... a time to draw our loved ones and our friends closer to us ... a time to find new faith and new hope in the true spirit of Christmas. It is in this spirit that all of us here at West Texas Utilities Company send warm and cordial Christmas Greetings to you and yours. May you have a very Merry Christmas. And may its laughter, its friendships and its good cheer be yours in abundance in this joyous season.



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## Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a rifleman. And please bring my brother, Sam, some shoes. Koby Austin Sandusky.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a music box, a train, and some gloves.

You won't have to bring me any guns because I already have some. I am a good boy most of the time. Love, Mark Murtishaw.

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a football hat, football and skates. I promise to be a good little boy. Steven Sims

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a doll and clothes for her. My little cousin wants a fuzzy toy, also another fuzzy toy for another cousin. I want you to bring my daddy a shirt and a new dress for mother.  
Love, Paula Landers

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a coloring book and football. Please remember by brothers and sisters too. Love, Arthur Martinez.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a rifle and I want a tooth brush. And an oven for my mother. And for my father, a shot-gun. And for my brother, he wants a 22 gun. Sincerely, Garland Richards.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me two dolls, one for my sister and one for me. Love, Olga Estrada

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a truck and a gun and a football. And bow and arrow. And my mother wants an electric blanket and my father a typewriter. And my sister a doll. Sincerely, Larry Butler.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Bee Bee gun and car transport. I am eight years old. My sister's name is Jolene. My mother's name is Mrs. Vaughn. My father's name is Bobby Joe Vaughn. I am in the second grade. My mother wants some silverware. My father wants a watch. My sister wants a doll. Sincerely, James Vaughn.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a boxing glove and I want for my mother some glasses and for my sister I want some clothes and for my father I want an electric shaver and I want a BB gun. Sincerely, Robby Wilson.

Dear Santa,  
I want a B B gun and my brother wants a gun and my mother a card and my father a big gun. Sincerely, Santa, Merry Christmas, Jerry Horton.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a BB gun and a toothbrush. I want a pair of socks for the baby. Adam Martinez

Merry Christmas to you, Dear Santa, My mother wants a big gun, my daddy wants a big football suit and I want a big football game. Wesley Ash.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a BB gun for my three brothers and I want a doll for my two little sisters and I want a football for my three brothers and I want a truck. I am in the second grade. By Juan Cantu.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am eight years old. I would like a big baby doll and a telephone and a record player. My sister would like a big baby doll. My brother would like a pop-eye doll. My mother would like some China dishes. My daddy would like some work socks. Sincerely, Patty Lou Rawlings.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a cancan and I want a typewriter and I want silverware for my mother. I am eight years old. My daddy wants an electric train and my brother want a electric train. My sister want a tall doll. Sincerely, Mary Jane Morrow.

Dear Santa,  
I want a baby bunting and a safe with emergency alarm and a football and coke machine and paint set with numbers and a shaving set for my daddy and I want clothes for my mother. I am an eight year old. I have been good and I wish you a Merry Christmas. Love, Norma Pruitt.

The Bronte Enterprise

December 24, 1959

Dear Santa Claus,  
We have fun at school. We like school. I want a doll for myself. I want a gun for my baby brother.

I want a can cutter for my mother. Sincerely, Linda Carlton.

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**Giving Should Be Mark of Christmas**

By Rev. R. W. Blackmon

Although I do not believe the 25th of December to be the date of the birth of Christ, I get a great joy from this season of the year, with the giving and receiving of gifts. Making this time of giving and receiving, let us not forget Him, who gave the greatest gift of all gifts, the Lord Jesus

Christ. He gave His all that we might have life, and live with Him in Heaven. He gave His beautiful home that He might come to earth, without even a place to lay His head, for He said "Foxes have hole, and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of man has no place to lay His head." He came to a people who would not receive Him, even His own people. "He came unto His own, but his own received Him not." He gave His energy walking by the Sea of Galilee, over the Judean hills, doing good wherever He found those who were in need. Healing the sick, giving sight to the blind, raising the dead, speaking peace to those who were despondent. Yes, He gave His entire life to help those who needed help.

And, finally, He gave His life on the cross of Calvary that all who would look to Him in faith could be saved from their sins, and enjoy eternal life with full assurance that He would come again for them to abide with Him forever.

In view of the foregoing facts: let us examine ourselves, and at a time like this, when we give our gifts, and receive them, let us remember Him; and not at this season of the year only, but at all times give Him the best that we have. He is very anxious to have our all in His service. He longs for our best, not just that that is left over, but the first fruits of every living being.

It would be well to remember that we serve Him by serving our fellow-man. Therefore, we must consider each other in every season of the year. Be kind and help those who are suffering some misfortune, those who need sympathy, comfort, and help in any way. This is the work that will be blessed, and will be remembered when our Lord gives the rewards to those of the faithful. Yes, there is ever a work that needs to be done, and can only be done by you and me as we live here. After all that is why we live, to make the earth a better place in which to live.

May we make resolutions to do our best for our fellow-man, be considerate of their rights and privileges, respect their views, though we might not agree with them, nevertheless, each person has a right to their own opinion. I believe if these things are carried out, not at this season only, but throughout our lives, we will be much happier, and a more peaceful community joined together in love, even the love of Him whose birth we observe at this season of the year.

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**ORDER FOR ELECTION ON LEVY OF MAINTENANCE TAX AND FOR ELECTION OF DIRECTORS, COKE COUNTY KICKAPOO WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. ONE**

This the 10th day of December, 1959, came on to be considered by the Directors of Coke County Kickapoo Water Control and Improvement District No. One, the matter of calling and election to determine whether said district shall be authorized to levy a maintenance tax of not to exceed thirty cents (30c) per \$100-valuation of taxable property located within the boundaries of such district for the purpose of conducting preliminary surveys for the control and use of the waters of Kickapoo Creeks, for the acquisition of land and easements for the location of sites for dams and channels for the control of said waters, and for the purpose of constructing dams, channels and

other improvements and of maintaining said structures, and improvements necessary in the control and use of the waters of Kickapoo Creeks to the end that flood waters may be controlled and property protected and preserved within said district; and also came on for consideration, the matter of calling an election for the purpose of electing two (2) directors for said district to serve for a term of two (2) years from the second Tuesday in January, 1960; and it appearing to said directors of said district that a maintenance tax not to exceed thirty cents (30c) is necessary for the above named purpose and that election authorizing the levy of said tax is required under the law before said tax can be levied and that it would be advisable to hold said election for the levy of said tax and the election of the directors on the 12th day of January, 1960, the same being the second Tuesday in January, 1960, and that the directors of said district issue an order therefor and cause public notice to be given as required by law:

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in the Directors of Coke County Kickapoo Water Control and Improvement District No. One, said Directors do hereby order that on the 12th day of January, 1960, at the City Hall in the City of Bronte, County of Coke, State of Texas, an election shall be held for the purpose

of electing two Directors for said District and for the purpose of enabling the resident qualified tax-paying voters of said district to determine whether said district shall be authorized to levy and assess a maintenance tax of not to exceed thirty cents (30c) on the \$100-valuation of taxable property located within said District.

That the polls shall be open for such election at the City Hall, Bronte, Texas, located in said district, from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on the day of the election; and the following officers to hold said election hereby are appointed, to-wit: J. B. Mackey, Presiding Judge, Noah Pruitt, Assistant Judge, and Mrs. Otis Smith and Mrs. Olive Keeney, Clerks.

No person shall vote at such election unless he is a resident, qualified property tax-paying voter of said district and also a qualified voter under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas. All votes of such election shall be by ballot, and voters desiring that the district have authority to levy said tax shall place upon their ballots the words "For the levy of a maintenance tax not exceeding thirty cents", and those against authorizing the levy of such tax shall place upon their ballots the words, "Against the levy of a maintenance tax not to exceed thirty cents". Voters desiring to vote for the Directors of the District shall vote for two persons each of whom shall be at least twenty-one (21) years of age, a resident of said District and an owner of taxable property in the District.

On or before the fifth day after such election, the officers holding such election shall make due returns, in triplicate, of all the votes cast for and against the levy of said tax and for Directors of said District, and deliver one (1) return to the President of the District and one (1) to the Secretary.

Public notice of this Order shall be given publication thereof in The Bronte Enterprise, a newspaper of general circulation, published in Coke County, Texas, the publication of this Order being once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks, with the first publication being at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the election and not more than thirty-five (35) days prior thereto.

WITNESS THE HAND of the President and Secretary of the Directors of Coke County Kickapoo Water Control and Improvement District No. 1.

F. S. HIGGINBOTHAM  
President  
J. A. PERCIFULL  
Secretary

SHOP BRONTE FIRST

Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Mackey are spending Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. R. B. Buron and family at Alvin.

Margaret Sharp of Big Spring is spending the holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Murphey.

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By Mrs. Charles Ragsdale

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Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gene Conradt has as their guest Mrs. Roy Raney and children of Venezuela, South America.

Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Anderson and children of Midland spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sanderson. They were enroute to Arkansas to spend Christmas.

W. C. Shamblin underwent surgery in Shannon Hospital in San Angelo last week.

Walter Moore is ill in the Bronte Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Tucker have gone to McKinney where Mr. Tucker will enter the veteran's hospital there.

### Enlistment for Christ Mission

The Enlistment for Christ Mission will be held Jan. 3-7 each evening at 7 at the Blackwell Methodist Church. Rev. Jerrell Sharp, pastor, will do the preaching. The

chairmen for the mission are publicity Mrs. Austin Jordan; prayer vigil, Mrs. Josie Hipp; evangelism, Mr. Earl Cook; music, Mrs. L. W. Sweet; telephone and correspondence, Mrs. Ed Garvin.

### Mrs. Austin Jordan Hosts Euterpean Club

By Mrs. Charles Ragsdale

Mrs. Austin Jordan was hostess to the Euterpean Club's annual Christmas party last Thursday afternoon, with Miss Bertha Smith as co-hostess.

Each guest was presented with a corsage of real holly. Mrs. Roy Sanderson was leader for the program.

Mrs. O. T. Colvin gave a poem, "Wreck the Halls," and Mrs. L. W. Sweet told of "Christmas in Other Lands." Christmas carols were sung by the group and gifts exchanged.

The Christmas motif was used throughout the house with decorations of holly, mistletoe and the Christmas tree.

A refreshment plate was served to Mmes. R. V. Copeland, Bob Harris, Cecil Smith, H. C. Raney, O. T. Colvin, R. Q. Spence, P. G. Dabney, L. W. Sweet, Kay Corley, Herman Craft, Reece McCarty, W. W. Youngblood, Lee Alderman, Charles Ragsdale and the hostess.

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# Do We Reject the Tiny Babe, Too?

By Rev. Lester L. Vinson

Nearly two thousand years ago a wondrous star led shepherds to a lowly stable where a Tiny Babe lay that was destined to change the course of all history to come. One of the tragedies seen even at this holy moment was his rejection by the inn-keeper. He could have been the one to first welcome the Son of God into this world but it was not to be so. Perhaps we all feel contempt for the inn-keeper. We may say that surely he did a terrible thing and that he had no feeling for human need. We may condemn him for being greedy and thinking more of his paying guests than the peasants who came knocking at his door at a late hour.

But, hold on! Is he alone in his condemnation? As it was in Bethlehem is it possible to be the same in the little town of Bronte? Does the Saviour of the World have free admittance to our homes, our businesses, or into our lives? "Could it be even in our so called "civilized society" that we give the cruel answer, "No Room?" Sometimes this happens without our being aware of it.

Take a look at your Christmas list. Whose names is at the top? Is it a member of your own family, or some friend, or some business associate? Then look down the whole list. Is the name of Christ there at all? You may think to yourself, "That's silly, I couldn't give Christ a shirt or a kitchen appliance or a box of toys". Yet, is this excuse enough? After all, it is His birthday that we are supposed to be celebrating.

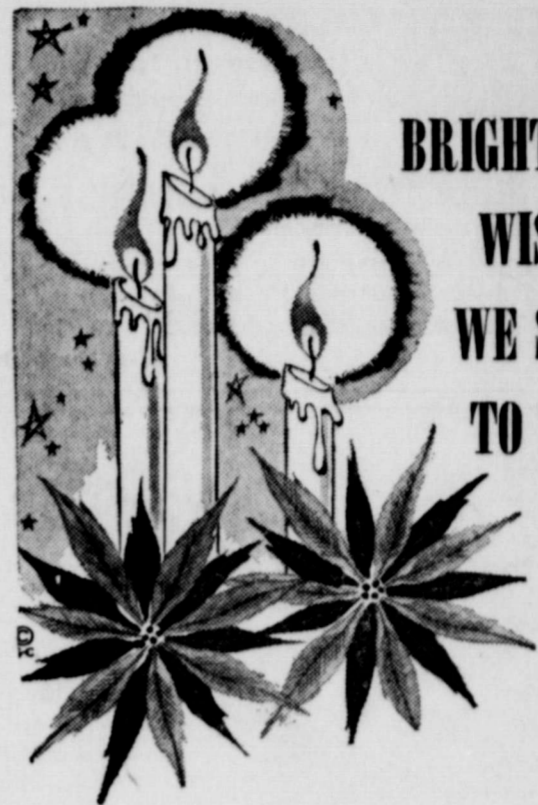
I believe that there is a way to give a gift to Jesus. He said once "that as much as ye did it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye did it unto me." Somehow it seems that we give unto those who already have so much. Our children become confused because they have so many things they don't know what to play with first.

And then there are those countless millions in foreign countries who have never heard the name of Christ. Modern day missions carrying the ageless message can bring eternal hope to those suffering in superstition, disease and sin. On Christ's birthday why can't we honor Him through helping those who are in need both here and around the world. Give to God because of His Greatest Gift, His Son!

SHOP BRONTE FIRST.

Bobby Webb is home from Ft. Riley, Kans., to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Webb.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Modgling are spending Christmas in Houston with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Oliphant and boys.



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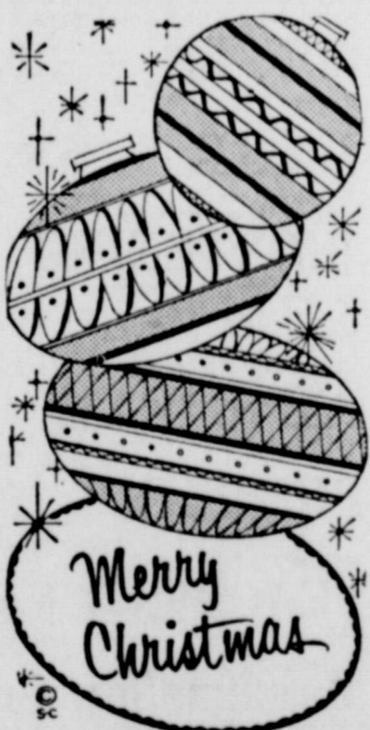
Joy  
to the  
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Christmas Greetings To All  
Our Friends and Customers  
**SIMS FOOD STORE**  
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GOOD WISHES  
May this Christmas  
be the happiest Holiday  
ever for all of you!

Bob Wilson's Barber Shop  
Dot's House of Beauty



We hope you have  
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TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND  
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Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Cumbie  
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Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Boecking and Tom spent last weekend in Johnson City where they had early Christmas in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hans Boecking.

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Two Shows Each Day — 6:15 Evenings; 1:30 Sunday  
Motion Pictures Are Your Finest Entertainment

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Ma and Pa Kettle in  
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**Merry Christmas To One and All!**

This is the season of the year when we pause to count our blessings and to thank our good friends for their confidence and patronage.

We certainly appreciate the very good business you of Bronte and the community have given us in the past and we hope to have the pleasure of serving you in the future.

We wish for you and yours a very happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

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**FOR SALE** — My home here in Bronte. Call GR 3-4271 or see me. Mrs. Verna Allen. 3tp

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I want to thank my friends for their visits and considerations during my stay in the hospital. A special thanks to the doctors, nurses and dietitians for their many favors. H. C. Murtishaw.

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**FOR SALE**—Good used lumber, 2x4's, 2x6's, some other sizes, also two small buildings, at reasonable price. C. E. and LeDrew Arrott.

**FOR SALE** — Our three-bedroom home. Turney Casey. tfc

**OZARKA AND DISTILLED WATER** for sale at Central Drug. tfc

**JOY Class Entertained In Vetal Flores Home**

The J. O. Y. Sunday School class of the Baptist Church had their Christmas party Monday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vetal Flores.

After dinner, gifts were exchanged from a silver Christmas tree. The class also fixed gift boxes to be sent to persons in ill health. Present were Messrs. and Mmes. Andy Andrews, Floyd Crunk, Taylor Emerson, Chester Harwell, Collins Sayner, Otis Smith, Ronald Walton, Leslie Lammers, Melvin Lasswell, Mrs. J. F. Hughes and the host and hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Baker and son were here Tuesday for an overnight visit in the Bob Wilson home and to visit with other friends. The Bakers, former teachers in the Bronte schools and

now living at Walnut Springs, were enroute to Quanah to spend Christmas with her parents.

For Life, Hospitalization and Polio Insurance, See  
**B. D. SNEAD**  
At First National Bank

**JOHN HARRIS, M. D.**  
Announces the Association of  
**CHARLES ROBINSON, M. D.**  
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Turkey and Dressing English Peas  
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**\$1.00 a Plate**

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It is with much regret that I find it is necessary to close my beauty shop. I have sincerely enjoyed my work and appreciate friendships I have made during the time I have operated Dot's House of Beauty. Thanks so much to all my customers for your loyal patronage, and I want to wish you and all my friends a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

**DOT'S HOUSE OF BEAUTY**  
Mrs. Bob Wilson

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ALL 39c PKGS.  
**CANDY - - - 35c**

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ANY BRAND Except Sanka  
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**OLEO - - 2 Lbs. 35c**

**PICNIC HAMS - Lb. 29c**

CHUCK LB.  
**BEEF ROAST - 49c**

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**BEEF RIBS - Lb. 37c**

FRESH LB.  
**PORK CHOPS - 44c**

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**BACON - 2 Lbs. 72c**

GOOCH'S  
**SAUSAGE - 2 Lbs. 69c**

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FRESH  
**LETTUCE - Lb. 15c**

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**ORANGES - - 35c**

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