

Get a Bigger Sleigh, Santa Claus!



Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old and i want a Cattle Truck for Christmas and a Bike. Thank you.
Love,
Lupe Ramirez

Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old. Please bring me a Record Player. That is all I want. Thank you.
Love,
Stanley Medina

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bike and a bebe gun and I want the rest of my tevestun.
Love,
Shannon Powers

Dear Santa,
I am a good girl. I want a training wheel bike. Please bring all the kids in my class something.
Thank you,
Marlo Hartman

Dear Santa,
Please bring me Mrs. Beasley, some dishes, and a chalkboard. I have been a good girl. Also if you have a nice stuffed dog or cat bring one.
Love,
Sheila Acker

Dear Santa,
I hope you are fine to. I want a Bike and a football. I want a Basketball. Thank you.
Love,
Peter Garcia

Dear Santa,
I would like a piano, tasty custard and a Cathy Quick Curl.
Love you,
Debbie Mayhew

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in Third Grade. My teachers name is Mrs. Ratcliff. I want a Mololuy Shipper.
Your friend,
Lisa Washington

Dear Santa,
Pleas bring me a cowboy suit for Christmas.
Love,
Matthew Hatley

Dear Santa,
I want a BB gun and a Putt Putt Speed Way and an electric train, and a cowboy set. I like you.
Love,
Chad Belyeu

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bike and an electric train. Bring me a Tonka truck and a Tonka Loader. Please bring my little brother Lee a red and white bike and a Tonka bulldozer. We have been very good boys this year.
Your friend,
Chris Kleman

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie doll and a book and some new shoes. Bring everybody in my family something good.
Love,
Delia Bermea

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby-That-A-Way doll, and a View Master and some reels. I want some toy horses.
Love,
Pamela Ehly

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. For Christmas I want a doll - a Baby That-A-Way Doll. I want a TV Magic Show and some books. Thank you.
Julie Fernandez

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a baby alive.
Love,
Melissa Romero



SHEPHERDS GATHER AT MANGER AND PRESENT GIFTS TO NEWBORN JESUS
... "We have come to see this thing of which the angels spoke"

Dear Santa,
Please give a Raggedy Ann and Andy, Baby Alive and care set and some silly putty. Thank you. I love you.
Denise Smith

Dear Santa,
This is want for Christmas. I want a walking baby doll, a bike, a easy-bake oven, a watch and a barbies town house.
Lynn Roland

Dear Santa,
Would you bring me a gun, and a pistol, and a pair of cowboy boots, and a cowboy hat, and a train set. I want my mini bike at the school bus barn, and a twenty gage, and a cowboy suit, some toy trucks, and a six million dollar man set, and a gun rack.
Merry Christmas,
Love,
Jay Sears



May the holy light that shone from the Star of Bethlehem shine again in the hearts of all men, making them brothers in peace and love.

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Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Thundershift 500, A Daisy B.B. gun, A basket ball and goal set, A S.S.P. car, A record player, with Deep Purple records.
Love,
Nathan Nelson

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room. I am nine years old. I want a Sunshine Family. I love you even if you are chubby.
Your friend,
Stacie Jackson

Dear Santa,
Please give me a View Master Reel and some reels. Also give me an Eagle Rocket set. I would like a Surer Flash Plane, and a toy pocket camera.
Thank you,
Your friend,
Patrick Birkenfeld

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room. I want a Steven Austin and a G.I. Joe and a Evil Kenivel.
Your friend,
Julian Saenz

Dear Santa,
I want a cowboy set. I want a farm set. I want a pool table. Give Mother a white owl. Daddy a walkie talkie. Bring Gwen a doll that can crawl. I try to be good.
Clint Hoeltling

Dear Santa,
I have been good and I want a smoke rifle, erector set, Steve Austin, the six million dollar man, and a bionic repair station.
Love,
Ty Wilcox

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room. I want a Tape Recorder, a tape that has Hanel and Gretel on it, some toys in my stocking, I want a Ten speed bike and I want a basket ball goal.
Love,
Holly Waggoner

Dear Santa Claus,
I am grate ful that you bring us toys. I am in the third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room. I want an Evil Knievl, basketball, ten speed bike, mini bike, atomic man, Steve Auste, tape recorder, pool table, Walkie-Talkie, football, Rockum Sockum Robot.
Your friend,
Ruben Bermea



Our Christmas prescription for you includes daily doses of health and happiness. We've enjoyed serving you and extend sincere appreciation.

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Joyous Greetings
May the gift of love light your Christmastide.
Everlasting thanks to all.

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Dear Santa Claus,
I love you very much. **
Santa Claus bring me a baby
alive with a bottle. ** and a
watch all that things and thats
the things I want for Christ-
mas. * My brothers wants
some bikes and a guitars and a
record player and a football. **
My sister want some dolls for
Christmas. and with a bottles
and a bikes for Christmas. **
Diana Reyes

Dear Santa Claus,
You are pretty Santa Claus. I
want two presents - A doll
and a boll. Go to My house at
night. I love you Sante Clues. I
am Anita Gonzales. I am 8
year.
I love you Sante Claus.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a truck.
Love,
Junior Harneze

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Baby Alive a watch
a charm bracelet and roller
skates for Christmas.
Love,
Rebecca Soto

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike For christmas
and I like you and I Want for
you to bring To father a new
car and To Mother a new
Stove. Can you please bring all
The things that I Want.
Aurelie Berruman

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a B.B. guh for Chris-
mas.
Love,
Alex Alcalá

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a miniBike for Christ-
mas.
Love,
Ramon M. Gonzalez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a piano with a book. I
want a watch for Christmas. I
want a baby alive. That's all I
want for Christmas.
Dear Santa Claus. I love soo
much and my name is Victoria
Flores Tobar.

Dear Santa Claus,
I love soo
much and my name is Victoria
Flores Tobar.

Dear Santa Claus,
Please can you bring me a
doll. and a little house. I like
what you gave me last year.
and I am 8 year old. I am going
to Mexico. I love you very
much, Santa Claus and Mrs.
Claus too. and go at night and
my name is Antonia Garza.

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a gun. I
want a truck. I want a car.
Jessie Galarza Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll. and a bike. I
want a tether ball. I want a
watch.
Gloria Ramirez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll for Christmas
please.
Victoria M.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a gun. I want a car. I
want a bed. I like Santa Claus.
Thank you, Santa Claus,
Thank you, Santa Claus.
Steven Medina
I am 8 years old

Dear Santa,
I am 8 years old. Can you
bring me a Tether ball and will
you bring Dickey wants a little
Bike and my mother wants sum
dishes that are real. Will you
Please?
Love,
Nancy Sosa

Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old. I want a
Barbi Doll and a Purse and a
Dare-Devil and don't forget my
brothers and sister and Mother
and daddy and I love you
Santa.
Love,
Consuelo Lopez

Dear Santa,
Will you give me a Cap-gun?
Will you give me some Check-
ers? Thank you. I love you.
Love,
Chris DeLeon

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Mini Bike
and a Twenty two Rifle and my
father want a Fish Rod and my
brother want a Football and my
sister want a baby alive. Thank
you.
Love,
Joe Martinez

Dear Santa,
My name is Vicky. I am 7
years old. I want a Tether ball.
A bike with training wheels.
Love,
Vicky Gonzalez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want something For christ-
mas Santa Claus. Please Santa
Claus bring to my brothers and
my sister, bring a dress of a
Queen and bring sum swings
and bring something Dicky and
bring something for Ramiro.
And bring something for me
and for Nancy and Mike.
Tony Sosa

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a projector.
Love,
DeTonja Vilas

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a bike an a
train an a track an that's all,
Santa.
Love,
Lolo

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring my little sister
A doll and bring me a Football
and bring my brother A car and
bring my little brother A little
car. Thank Santa Claus, Christ-
mas.
Gerardo Chaves

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a watch. An I want a
piano. An I want a tether ball.
I love you Santa C laus. An I
want a purse. An I want a bike
to. An I want a doll. thanks for
everything. I am 8 years old.
Miriam Moreno

Dear Santa Caus,
I want a gun. I want a truck.
I want a Christmas Book. I
want a go car. I want a red
bike. I want a train.
Thak you Santa Claus.
Eugene

Dear Santa,
Dear Santa can you be in
town? I would like a cattle
Truck. Can I buy a Evil Keni-
vel? Can you bring me what I
like? Yes or no. I can not buy a
toy. I love you.
Esubio Reyes

Dear Santa,
Pleas bring me a rascartrak
and the sexmalendalr man and
a rifl and a wakitoki and a
dinosaur book.
Love,
Todd Hill

Dear Santa,
Plees brang me a B-B Gun. I
am a boy 7 years old. I think I
have been good. I would like
two little cars. Have a nice trip.
Love,
Ruben Portillo

Dear Santa,
I want a stove sink and
icebox. Im very good and I am
8 year old. Don't forget my
family. Thank you Santa.
Love,
Karen Myers

Dear Santa Claus,
My brother wants a hook and
ladder firetruck and I want a
soft cuddly doll and a stroller.
Thank you for all the things you
gave me. I tried to be a good
girl this year. And thank you
again for all of things you gave
me last year.
A merry Christmas to all and
to all a good night.
Age 7
With love,
Kelly O'Lyn Poarch

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Baby Dreams a
watch a charm bracelet and
roller skates for Christmas.
Love,
Camille Summers



*May the beauty of Christmas be
an inspiration to you and bring
pleasant memories and much
happiness to all our friends...
we say "Sincere Thanks."*

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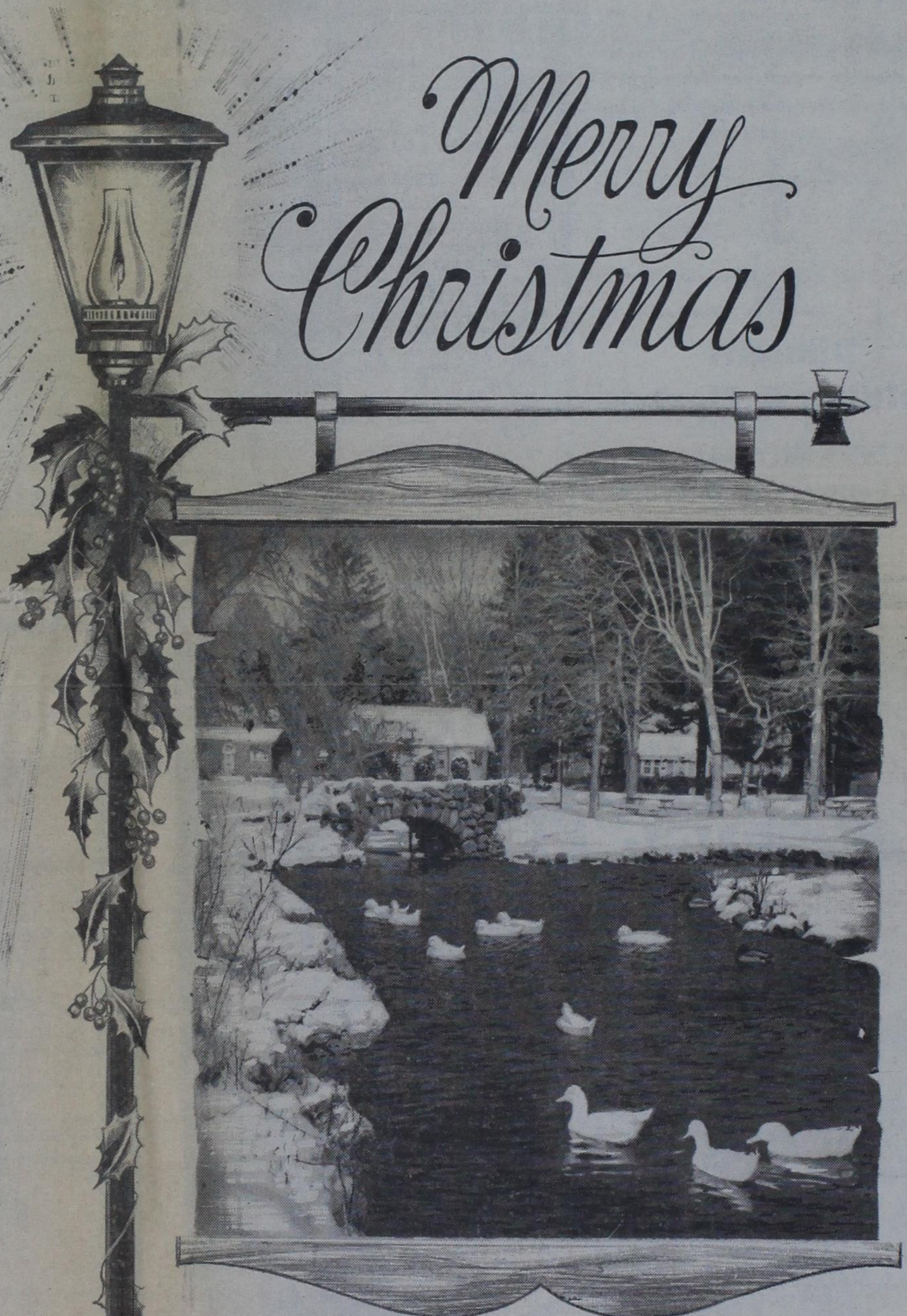


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wishes is
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Merry Christmas

With hearts full of wonder at the eternal beauties of Nature, we savour the magic of Christmas and its eternal meaning. In the holiday spirit of love and understanding, we wish all our friends joy and peace. It's a pleasure to know you!

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



Families, friends, neighbors gather to share the warmth and blessings of Christmas. We greet our friends and say thanks to all.



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Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa Claus,
I hope you can make it to Nazareth. I want for Christmas a race track and a top, and a trigger jet and I hope I get it. You are good to everybody but the people that are mean and bad too. I am glad that God made Christmas. I am glad that God made Santa Claus. Santa Claus is good to me. I am glad Santa Claus likes me very much. I like Santa Claus very much. Santa Claus has reindeer. I like reindeer. I can't wait until Christmas.

Your friend,
Guess Who

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good. Please bring magic jewelry set.

Love,
Cindy Martinez

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good. Please bring me a rockum sockum robot.

Love,
Lupe Galvin

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good. Please bring me a G.I. Joe.

Love,
Gilbert Moreno

Dear Santa Claus,
I am Danny Gauna and I have been a nice boy all these years. Santa Claus, I want you to bring me a TTP stunt cycle. I wish you a Merry Christmas and I love you, Santa Claus. I am nine years old and I have a stereo of my own so I don't need one.

Love,
Danny Gauna

Dear Santa,
I would like a record player, a bike, some shoes, some clothes, a ball, and some rings for Christmas.

Merry Christmas!
Love,
Irene Dones

Dear Santa,
Please give me a Quick Curl and a game called Barbie, and her Town house.

Give my little sister Linda Love Notes, Melody Doll. And also give my littlest sister Christie a Chatter Telephone.

Happy Christmas. Thank you.
Your friend,
Patsy Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,
I thank you for Jesus's birthday. I want a Motorized Auto transport with cars included. And I want a Pickup truck. I want a Whites Auto truck.

Your friend,
Virgie Dennis Birkenfeld

Dear Santa Claus,
How I would like to have two Walkie Talkies, a racing car, a pellet gun, a spin welder, and a BB gun.

Love,
Darrell Washington

Dear Santa Clause,
I want a ten speed bike, Evel Kanieval stung cycle, a watch, a racing car, and a six million dollar man. Bring what I wish for Christmas this year. I've been waiting for you all night at Christmas. I want clothes too, Santa.

Merry Christmas.
Love,
Ricky Reyes

Dear Santa Claus,
Santa, I have been good this year. I want a BB gun most of all and I will like what I get. Santa, I also want a guitar and a 410 shout gun. That's all I want for Christmas.

Love,
Thomas Holland

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Big wheel for Christmas.

Love,
Angel Tenite

Dear Santclws,
I want yuo to bring me a big ball, and a pretty bracelet, a pretty ring, a pretty necklace and a little doll.

Love,
Balderas

Dear Santa,
I want a Miss Besle, a guitar, baton, watch, Barbie doll, book, records, cards, bike, piano and a TV.

Love,
Tama West

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a record player, barby doll, baby that a whay, bicycle, dress, shirt, slacks, roller skates, baby doll alive, boots, socks, cowgirl suit, baby dreamboat and a dog. I hope you can bring that stuff. I been nice this year.

Merry Christmas Santa!
Love,
Susanne Ward

Dear Sant,
I love you. This is what I wat for christmas. I want a doll and a little radeo to. But if you can't bring me this. But I believe in Christmas. How are you. I am ok to. I am nice. My mother and father believe in christmas to. I have been good to my mother and father. Merry Christmas to you. I want a Barbie doll to. I forget to write it.

Love,
Margie Bridges

Dear Santa Claus,
I want an easy-bake and a bike. I want you to bring what I want for Christmas. My name is Janie Ramirez. I am a real good girl.

Love,
Benny Schacher

Dear Santa Claus,
I am good. I would like a Rifle and Pistol gun set, G.I. Joe, sea wolf Submarine, some games, and a pocket radio.

Love,
Jimmy Bunn

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Lidia Trigo. And I want a esy-bake or a baby-thato-way. and my sister wants a real new coat and my sester wants a bike and my other sester wants clothes to wear and my brother wants a bb gun and my little baby brother he wants a little horse and my mother wants a real petty coat and my father wants a suit. And this is the end.

Dear Santa Clause,
I want a doll for Christmas and some dishes to play with my doll. Santa will you give me another sister and bother.

Dear Santa Claus,
I Santa, could you bring me a record player and two walkie talkies, one for my brother and one for me. I want a boy barbie doll and a Baby That-a-way. Try to bring Todd some toys too!

Thank you,
Traci Hill

Dear Santa,
You know what I want for Christmas? I want a bow and airows for Christmas. Do you know what we could get for mom and dad for Christmas? I have bene good this year. P.S. Write soon pleas. Have a merry Christmas.

Love,
Tim Cockrum

Dear Santalous,
I have been so good to my Mother and Father. Christmas is going to be so fun that we are and fite to let my Granother and Granfather they are from Idaho and they are goine to bring us a Baby Alive or Baby that away.

Love,
Elizabeth Garcia

Dear Santa,
I want a guitar and I have been very good. Have you been good. I thank you have good boy.

Love,
Jimmy Bunn

a Child is Born

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Birth of the Prince
of Peace! We send wishes
for Holiday Blessings
to all our friends.*



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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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GREETINGS

Good tidings... make merry, neighbors and friends. We hope the season is happy in every way. Our thanks to all.



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Dear Santa -- I Would Like to have a Tractor and a Horse and a Plane and . . .

Dear Santa Claus,
Will you bring me same clothes for my doll? Will you bring me a bike? Will you bring me a chalkboard? Dear Santa Claus, I love you very much then any body in the whole world.

Sylvia Juarez

Dear Santa,
I would like a table and chairs, a bicycle, some clothes and a baby doll.

Love you,
Reyla Black

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old and have been a good little boy. I want you to bring me Evil Knievel formula II dragster, snoopy game, batman sleeping bag, six million dollar man, and a police suit. My birthday is December 20. I will leave you some cookies and milk.

Thank you,
Kip Yates

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a watch for Christmas please!

Susie Flores

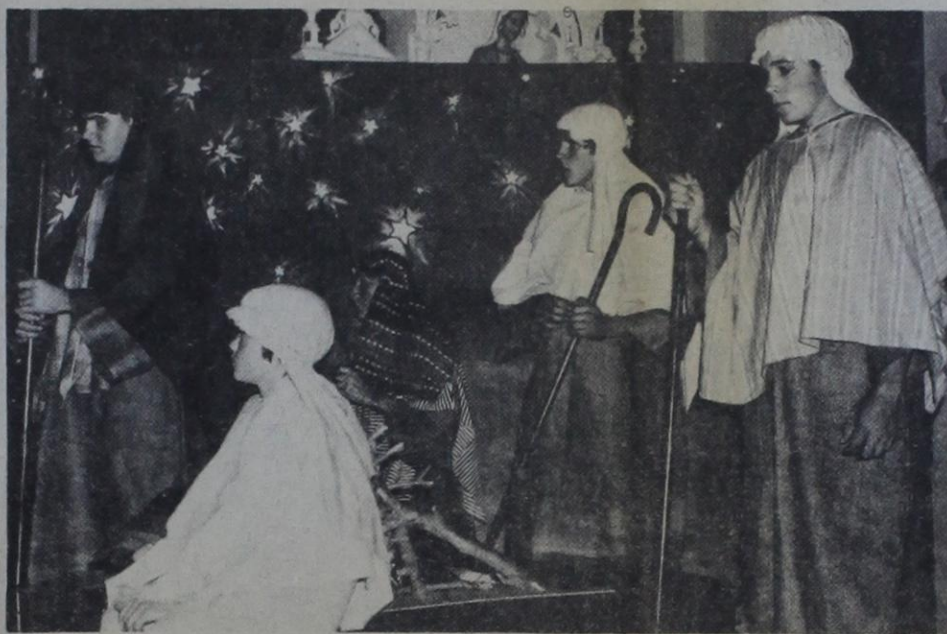
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a barbe doll.

Love,
Noe Lara



ANGEL GABRIEL AND HEAVENLY HOST APPEAR BEFORE SHEPHERDS

... "For unto you is born this day in the City of David . . ."



SHEPHERDS LISTEN IN AWE TO ANGEL GABRIEL'S MESSAGE

... One of 13 impressive scenes in Nazareth Christmas Pageant

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I would like a bike tree or five speed and a basket ball.

Love,
Barbara Lewis

Dear Santa Claus,
Ill want evil knievil for Christmas a bike too and a football too for Chirstmas and clothes to and a cowboy and a horse. And I love Santa Claus.

Love,
Louis

Dear Santa,
I would like a Red Ryder BB Gun and a box of 5,000 Ted Williams BBS and a surprise and please wrap it. I like the toys youv brout to me.

Love,
Gregory Sava

Dear Santa Clause,
I want a Baby life, and a new coat and play dishes and a long dress, socks and white boots, and a purse, a bag of candy and nuts and a wash.

Nancy

Dear Santa,
Would you please bring me Big Jim's P.A.C.K., Off Road Adventure Team. And Batman and Robbin and cave and Batmobile. And Magic 8 ball, Karate men And the mad monster castle with mummy, Frankenstein, Dracula an wolf-man.

Love, Blake Brown
Have a nice Christmas. and Mrs. Santa clows to.

Dear Santa,
I love you. I have been a nice girl. I would like a baby That-away. I will be a very nice girl. I am nine years old. And I would like a bike to.

Linda Maves

Dear Santa,
I am a gril and i am 8 years old and i wont a Barbi Doll. I wont a Tether ball. I wont a Bicycle. My sister wont a doll. My brothers wont a games, baby theat way and Dare-Devil.

Love,
Irma Ramriez

Dear Santa,
Please brig me a barbe doll.

Love,
Becky Juarez

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bike.

Love,
Max Sifuentes

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a surprise and a bike and a baby alive.

Love,
Kerri Collins



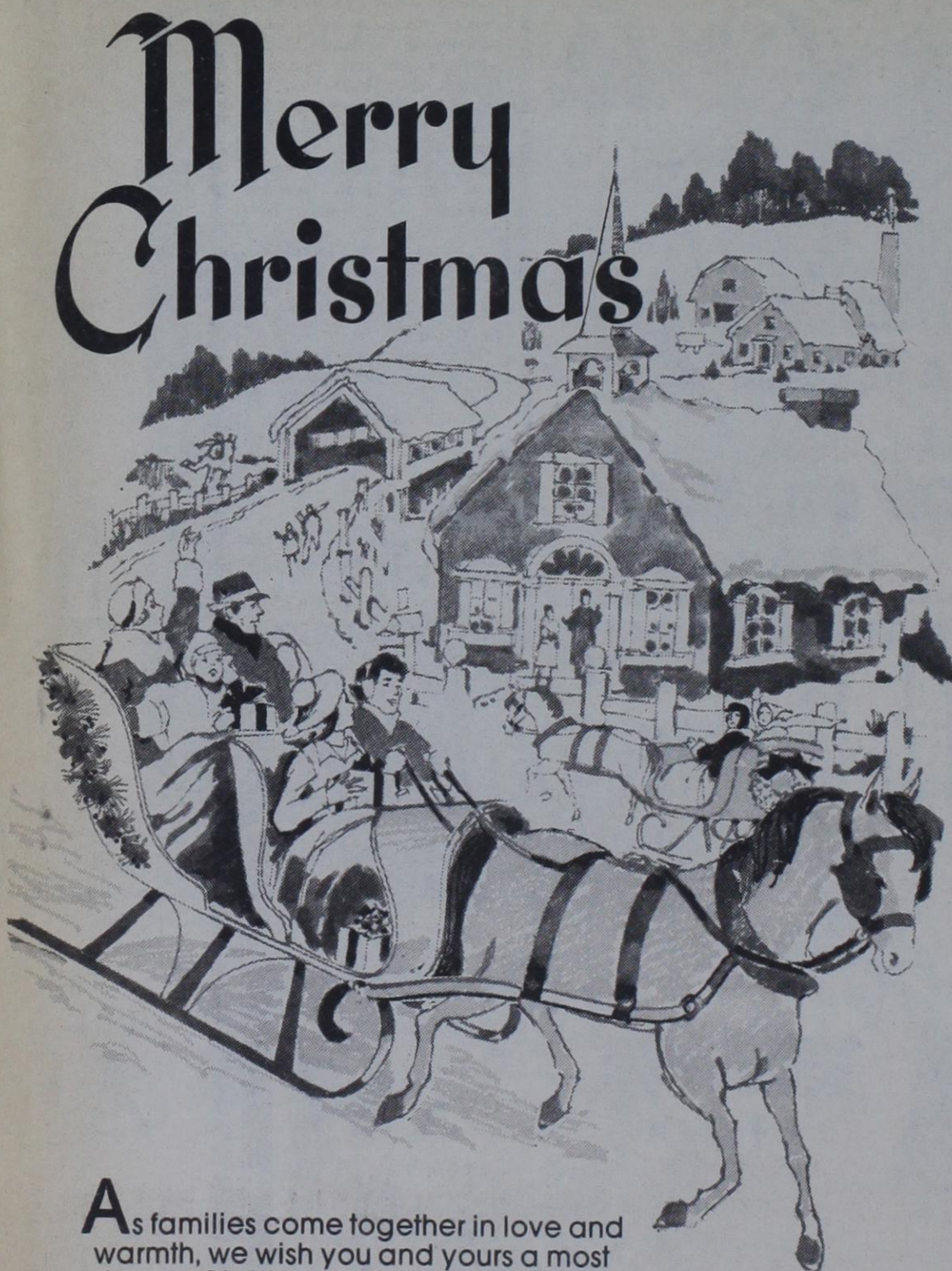
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GULF DISTRIBUTOR

Merry Christmas

At Christmas we're especially happy to express our thanks and warm wishes for a very special holiday, to you and your family.



As families come together in love and warmth, we wish you and yours a most joyous Christmastide... hoping every delight of the Holiday Season will be yours!

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Children's Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old, and I have been a good girl this year. Would you please bring me a Kissing baby and an organ? Thank you very much.
I love you,
Beth Miller

Dear Santa,
My name is Vida. I am 7 years old. I hope you are doing fine. I want baby That way and I want Dare-Devil. I love you Santa Clars.
Love,
Vida Sarabia

Dear Santa,
I am a girl 8 years. I want a doll, Barbi doll, Red Bike, thank you, Tether ball. I love you Santa. Don't 4get my sisters an brothers.
Love,
Anita Hardwick

Dear Santa,
I am a boy and i am 8 years old and i want a football for Christmas and a Bike and a pellet Gun and my to brothers want a motor cycle and tank you.
Love,
Pete Barretero

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a record player, and some roller skates. And a seven up machine. And I want ten speed bike scikle.
Love,
Angie

Dear Santa,
Santa how are You? Santa I want a Pellet Gun. Thank you.
Love,
Savas Chapa



ANGEL GABRIEL APPEARS BEFORE STUNNED MARY
"You shall bear a child, and shall name him Jesus"

Dear Santa,
I am 9 years old. I hope you aor fine. Please don't forget to get my other family. Please Bring a Tether all. Please Bring a Easybake Oven and a Bike cycle.
Amanda

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie doll and a pool table.
Love you,
Jackie Arnold

Dear Santa,
I want Baby that away and I want a Baby a life and I want recerd palyer. And that is all.
Joanna Williams

Dear Santa,
I want a Holly Hobbie doll and a tape recorder and a watch.
Tammy Mobne

Dear Santa,
I want a pop gun and boots for Xmas, and pool table.
Love you,
Curtis Adam

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Purse. I want some dishes. I want a tellphone. Please get my little sister a ring and my Father a key and my Mother a bracelet. I am 8 yers old.
Love,
Mraia

Der Santa Clos,
You Are so Nece Santa. I want a Bisicol and a play gun and a play car for my litlre brader. Thank you. Dise is May Name,
Manuel Lopez

Dear Santa,
I would like a doll buggy and a love notes dollie.
Love you,
Margie Mayhew



Our hat's off to you, our good friends and neighbors, for your loyalty and confidence. Thanks and warm wishes for a joyous Christmas.

DIMMITT 66, INC.

Merry Christmas

We wish all "the good sports" we number among our friends, a most joyous holiday.
Sincere thanks

THE GOLF SHOP
Bill & Julie Glenn

Dear santacloous,
I want babyalive and a bike. I love you santacloous. I wich you love me to.
Love,
Gloria Lopez

Dear Santa,
My letter is messy because I have a baby sitting job. I would like a sixteen inch Weather, A Baby-That-Away, some Barbie doll clothes by the names of Pink Gown, Bridal Gown, Long pinafore skirt, peasant blouse, scarf and pathwork print long Peasant skirt, halter top and floppy hat. For Barbie and ken a country style set and off to work set. And last, but not least A Bless you Baby tender love. Tell all your elves and Mrs. Santa Clause hello. Love ya!
Debra Sava
P.S. Please wrap all my gifts.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me Evel Knievel, a bike, and a gun and holster set with spurs and without a record. I like you.
Love,
Scott Sava

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a little Heather ragdoll and Digger the Dog. I love you santa.
Jennifer Sava



Greetings

Snow and stillness, home and happiness symbolize the spirit of the Christmas season. With these glad thoughts in our minds, we greet our friends and neighbors, wishing one and all the very best of this bountiful, beautiful time. May your holidays be merry and marvelous!

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Holiday Greetings

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Thanks one and all.

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Mr. & Mrs. Marshall
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Children's Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa Claus,

Would you please bring my sister and I a granny gown and a pair of house shoes? We would like to have a set of dishes and pots and pans. Royce would like a pair of boots, a hat, and a truck. Our little sister would like a small pull toy. Thank you.

Please remember all the boys & girls. Merry Christmas to all!
Denise, Kara, Royce and Nadine Schulte

Dear Santa,

I did not get two tell you what I want. I would like a police uniform, a pony, a lagoe, a football suit and a football. I'm sending a picture. How are you up there. I've been kind of good. Tell Rudoph to shine his nose.

Love,
Danny Dutton

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a train please Santa Claus. Will you bring me a pair of satlbaes. Dear Santa Claus I wheis you a merry christmas.

Your friend,
Jay Young

Dear Santa Claus,

Can you please give me a boat. My mother wants a watch?

Your friend,
Moses

Dear Santa Claus,

Would you please bring me baby that away? Please bring me a real monkey if you can. Would you please bring me a new coat if you can? I love you very very much Santa Clos. I wish you a merry christmas Santa Clqs.

Sonccia Tischler

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a bike please. Can you really fly up on the roof? What time do you come? I know you come at Christmas. I home you have a Merry Christmas.

Your friend,
Kenny Talley

Dear Santa Claus,

I like what you brought me last year. Please bring me a black jacket, And a six Million Dollar Man, And rocket, and repair station, and a B-B gun, little tran, cars, and a five speed, Thundership 500.

Your friend,
Ben Benton

Dear Santa Claus,

Can you bring me a bike, and a Baby Alive Please. can you bring me a ball.

Your frind,
Patty Constanacia

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a bike for Christmas. Thank you for my gift last year.

Your friend,
Trampas Moke

I love you sana cluth. and I want a Calculate. I let us nice day.

From Corina

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a BB gun and a truck and a trailer that has cattle and the man and a pool table and a pair of walkei-talkies and car that has batres and a fireman and a bike and a Evel Kenevel motorcycle.

From Noe

Dear Santacloous,

I want a game and a doll. Thank you santacloous.

From Janna

Dear santa claus,

I like to have presnts but not that meny presnts. I like what you are. And you are nice. I wish you have a good christmas will you pleas give me a five spead and a toy truck and a good happy day to.

Your friend,
Michael Schinkas

Dear Santa Claus,

I wish you a Merry Christmas. Will you please bing me a bike? Will you bing my Mother a good prent and my Father?

Your friend,
John Reyes

Dear Santa,

Santa I want a planetapes and big jims.

Tracy Hatla

Will you please bring me a bike. Thank you for bringing me a baby doll. I wish you a Merry Christmas, I want a baby Alive. and a bear. I want a coat.

Your friend,
Yvette Barrera

Dear Santa Claus,

Please Santa I want a bike and a doll for Christmas. I want meny toys for Christmas. and I wish your were here in town.

Your friend,
Patsy Vera

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a wallet, and a watch, what a about a football, and I love you Sant Claus. I wish you were my father.

Your friend,
Ricardo Puento

Dear Santa Claus,

Thank you for bringing toys to me. I love you very much. Will you please bring me a black jacket. And a six million dollar man. And his rokit. And his repair statien.

Youer friend,
Burt Zinser

Dear Santa Claus,

I love you and I wish you were very good to boy and girl and please bring me a chalkboard and a brush and some chalk and a piano and a roller skates and a baby Alive.

Your friend,
Sylvia Rodriguez

HAPPY HOLIDAY

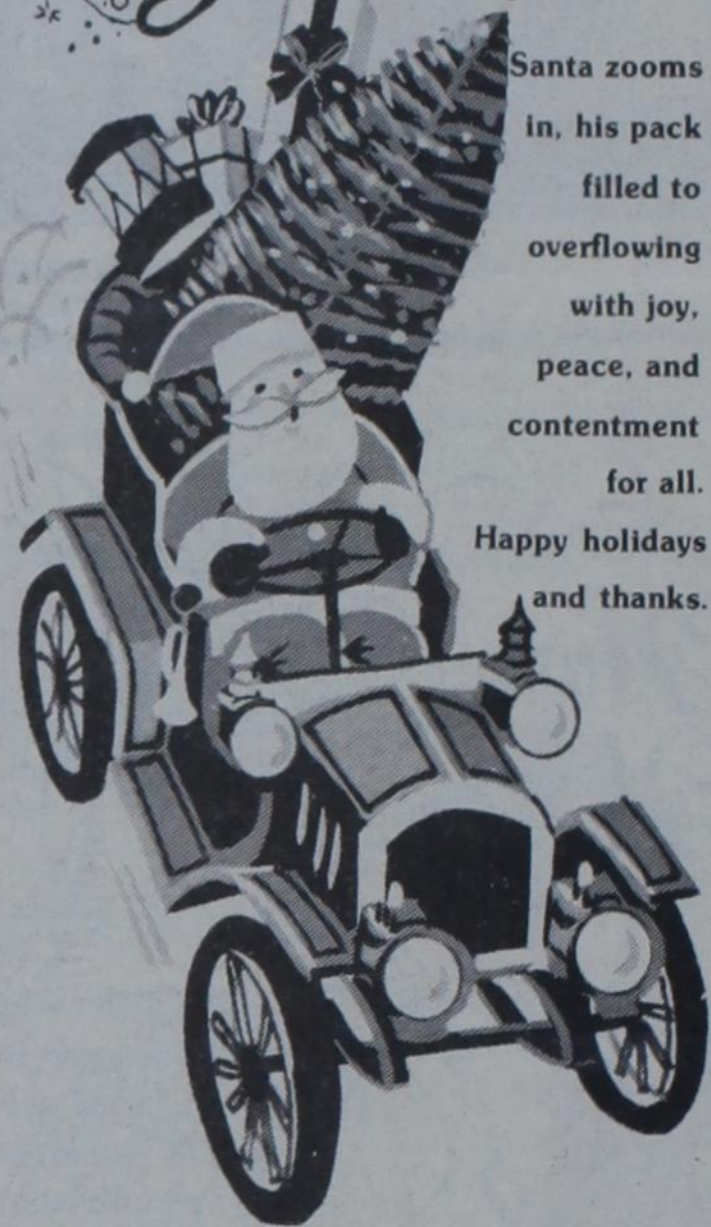
Rounding up loyal old friends and cherished new friends, to say it's been a pleasure to serve you.



FLAGG GRAIN CO.
DODD ELEVATOR

J. R. BROWN, MANAGER

Holiday Greetings



Santa zooms in, his pack filled to overflowing with joy, peace, and contentment for all. Happy holidays and thanks.

DALE FOWLER FORD



Merry Christmas

May the serenity of Christmas find and keep you content. May every day of this joyful season be filled with joy . . . abundant in peace . . . rich in brotherhood. To all the cherished patrons we serve . . . our warmest gratitude.

C&S EQUIPMENT CO.

Management and Personnel



Greetings

We wish you all the joy the season has to give. Peace. Happiness. Contentment. May they be yours to remember warmly for many a Christmas. Our heartfelt gratitude.

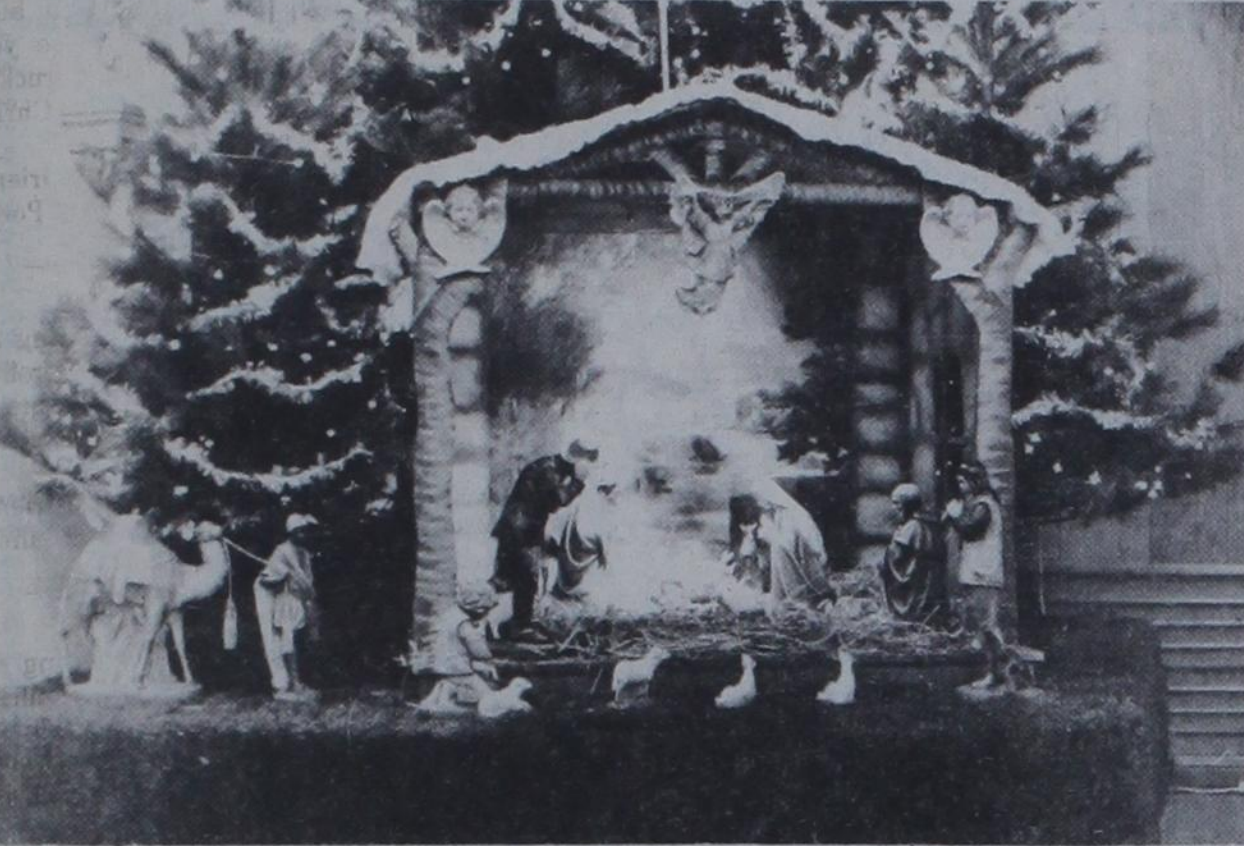
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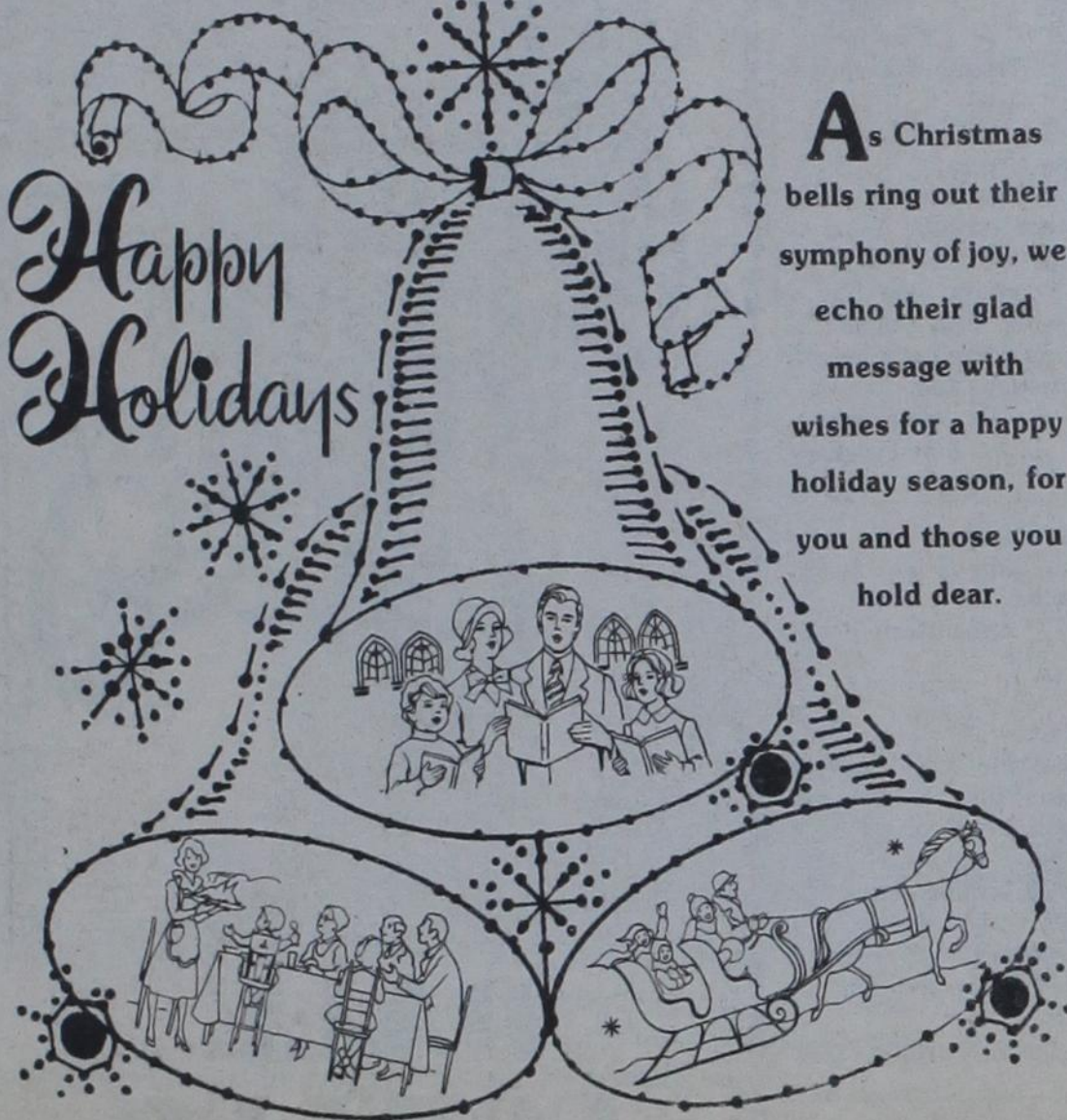
Albert Maxwell Roy Lyles
Zee Newberry, Frank Torres, Frank Hernandez, David Terry



Letters to Santa Claus



CRECHE SCENE IN NAZARETH CHRISTMAS PAGEANT
Final performance was Tuesday evening



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

Cobb's

Dear Santa,
I am a girl. I am 7 year old. Please bring me a Barbi whole Set. Tether ball to. Pleas don't forget my other family. I have bean very good. Thank you.
Love,
Isabel Luna

Dear Santa,
I want a Twenty two Shot Gun. Evil Kenivel. I want a Football. Thank you,
Robert Williams

Robert Williams
P.S. Don't forget my sister Toyika and my daddy Robert and my mother Donna.

Dear Santa,
I am 8 years old. I wont two bootball suits. That is all. My name is Ronnie Rodriguez.

Dear Santa Claus,
I love you and I want a TV, B.B gun, six millin doller man, Bing Bag chiars, snow cone mashen. I love you so much. I like your shows shin you had roodogh I wish I kood see him. My brother loves you to. He Loves you so much and I wish I kood see you. My Mother loves you, My Father loves you to. I like snow.
Love,
Kevin Mansell

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Thundershift 500, a basketball, and goal set, a record player, and Mini bike for Cristmas. Merry Cristmas!
Love,
Nathan Nelson

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have baby alive, and a reced player, and a jumprope, and dishes. I love you Santa Claus. I belive in you.
Love,
Debbie Bridges

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a surprise.
Love,
Dondra Stafford

Dear Santa Clus,
I have been good at School. Please bring me a doll. Thank you.
Bonnie Perez

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good at school. Please bring me a bike. Thank you.
Valentin Barrera

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good at school. Please bring me a Tiffany Taylor. Thank you.
Cinnamon Cox

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good at school. Please bring me a Tiffany Taylor. Thank you.
Tiffany Braafladt

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good at school. Please bring me go go boots. Thank you.
Jo Cameron

Dear Sante,
Please bring me a train, a puppy, a kitten, a car. Thanks.
Jason Kemp

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a train, a puppy, a kitten. Thanks.
Eddie

Dear Santa Claus,
I want to have a doll that drinks and eats her name is baby alive. and a record player and a jumprop and dishes. I love you Santa Claus.
Love,
Lamar Salinas

Dear Santa,
I want panits for Christmas and one little toy. I play with my sister and brother. I play outside to and we play games. and my brother want a truck for Christmas.
Love,
Cindy

Dear Santa Claus,
I wish you would bring me what I like. This is what I want. I want a big trailer that carries cattles and a trater that has a lots of things to work with.
Danny Perez

Dear Santa Claus,
I wish you would bring me what I like. This is what I want. I want a trunk and a car and I want a baby cat. And I want a coat and a boat and a gun. And I hope you have a Mury Christmas.
Bobby Martinez

Dear Sant Nick,
Please bring me a tape recorder and a four ten shot gun, a cowboy suit, spars, 22 gun, Evil Knivel.
Love, Monty Patterson

Dear Santa,
I am a good girl and you no want I want four Christmas. I want a bike and a Barbydoll and some mony four my mother and father.
Connie Saenz

Dear Santa,
I am a good girl and I want a Barbydoll. And I want a bike. This is all I kood say Santa.
Norma Gonzales

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Evel Kenevel motorcycle, a pair of walkei-talkeis, some house shoes, eletrice train, and a record player.
David Stephens

Dear Santa Clouse,
I want a evle conevle stump sykle. I want a gun. and a riful. Have a nice Christmas.
Bobby Nino

Dear Santa,
Please bring me baby alive.
Love,
Lupe Lopez

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, a Roller Skates, a Sunshine Family. Thanks.
Tiffany Taylor, Baby Crissy,
Cara Odom



Delight fills our hearts, young and old alike, on Christmas morn. May the joy that illuminates your home remain with you all through the holiday.

ED HARRIS LUMBER CO.
HART, TEXAS

Merry Christmas



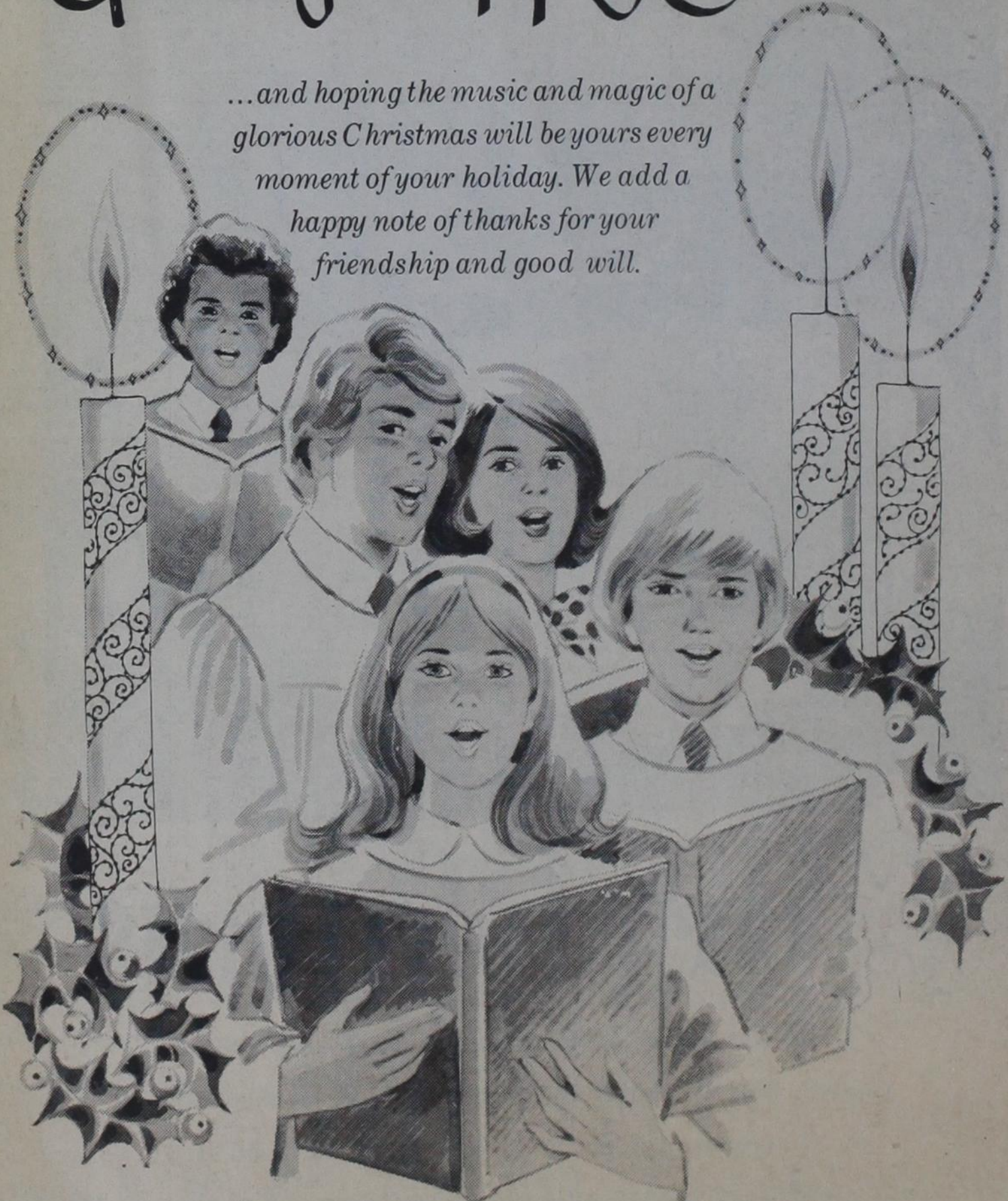
May the magic of Christmas unfold within your heart and home bringing special joys and remembrances. As this season of love and cheer arrives we extend warm wishes for a truly happy holiday.

Sincere thanks.

LATHAM CONSTRUCTION CO.
Gene Latham

Greeting the Holy Season

...and hoping the music and magic of a glorious Christmas will be yours every moment of your holiday. We add a happy note of thanks for your friendship and good will.



Big T Pump Co.

Dear Santa,
I like a doll for Christmas Santa that can take a bath. and I like to have some Books? Santa because I don't have some toys and my sisters won't let me. Some times she will and I been good too.
Love,
Laura Rodrigues

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good this year and I want a printing press for christmas, five baby, cats, a dog, a baby alive, and that will be all I want and a billfold for my father and a dimond ring for my mom and a dimond bracelet for my aunt and a doll for my little sister.
Love,
Norma Solor



Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a bulletin board, a real watch, a baby bundles, and clothes. I have tried to be a good little girl. I will be at my Granny's house at Big Spring.
I love you,
Shannon Phillips

Dear Santa Claus,
Will you bring me a bike. Dear Santa Claus I love you. Santa Claus I want a truck. I want a race car. Merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Joe Porter

Dear Santa Clase,
I want a babby a Live And a Babby thataway and TV magic cards. And my brother wants a cimistry set and eletrit hocky game.
Love,
Sheryl Simpson

Dear Santa,
I want a flot and skats and I want a slid and a buton and a doll and a play home.
Love,
Josephine Cantu

Dear Santa,
I want all the peple get a prisint for the mothers will be happy and will say think you for the prisint you gave me for Christmas and hav a happy Mery Chrimtmes.
Love,
Gloria Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I want a 410 shotgun and a B.B. gun and a real pupy and cat and a box of 410 shelles and a bike with 21 on frunt and a nakles for me and a gitre.
Love,
Jimmy Thomas

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a sewing machine, doll carriage, bean bag chair. I want a Barbie town house. I want some house shoes, gold-berger doll. I want black high shoes. I want a trampoline. I want a belt. I want some black and white shoes. I wanta blue and white long dress. I want a purse with flowers.
Becky Gonzales

Dear Santa,
I am 8 years old. My name is Vicki. Why do you alway wear red. I am wearing red too and how happy your jelly sounds.
Love,
Susan Montiel

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a alive horses and a cat to get the rats out of the house and a new bike and some records.
Love,
Susan Montiel

Dear Santa Claus,
I want you to pleas bring me a baby alive and a doll stroller, a watch, I love you santa. I can't wait until you come. Merry Christmas to you.
Your friend,
Angi Salinas

MERRY CHRISTMAS

May you and yours find inspiration and love at Christmastide, as you remember the birth of a Child in Bethlehem.

Tidwell Spraying Service

Dear Santa,
Please get me a moter sikol with training wheels. And some fisher prize toys. Get my brother sister and Dad and mom soming please.
Love,
Jeffrey Butler

Dear Santa Claus,
Will you please bring me a TeVee magic cards.
Thank you,
Margie Galvan

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl. How are you? I want a baby thataway and a bracelet and a game for christmas. I want a diamond ring.
Love,
Debra Lynn Black

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a pretty good boy. Will you bring me a BB gun please and a bike to. I love you because you bring some gifts please. an a brand new car. please.
From Juan Avila

Dear Santa Claus,
I want you to please bring me a baby alive, a watch, purse, and a stroller. Dear Santa I love you, but I don't no what I wood do without you. merry christmas.
Your friend,
Karen Nelson

Dear Santa,
I would like to know if you are giving presents to the chidren at other lands. Now I would like to tell you what I would like for Christmas Santa. I would like a Baby Chrissy and a bugs bunny set and a Winny the Pooh recoud player and one more thing a Baby Stroller. Thank you.
Love,
Lisa Nelson

Dear Santa Claus,
Please can you bring me a doll in Christmas. And can you bring me a tether ball. Christmas is going to be fun. I want you to bring me five presents. I want you to bring me a piano and with book. I love you Santa Claus. And can you bring me a bike. Santa Claus can you bring me a baby alive with a bottle. My name is Thelma Longoria.
Love,
Mary Kaye Mapp

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. How are you. I want a rub a dub dolly and a sunshine family home. We have not got our Christmas tree up yet.
Love,
Kim Howell

Dear Santa,
I wot a bike and a tran and I wat evil cunivl and I wot a Bibi gun and I wot a airplan and a race car track.
Love,
Cary Dewight Tate

Dear Santa,
I want a doll and a little mokey and the othese to and I love you very munch and also my mother too.
Diane Jiminez

Dear Santa,
I woud like a beanbag doll. And a winnie the pooh record and a Bambi record. And a scrabble game and a stocking ful of fruit.
Love,
Darla Kay Young

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a tether ball and some socker boppers and a hoppy hop. I am 8 years old. I love you Santa Claus.
Love,
Maria Guterrez

"NOEL, NOEL"

Happy voices sing out the special music of this blessed holiday season. May they bring you love, joy and peace throughout Christmas. Many thanks to all our friends.

DIMMITT SAFETY LANE & TIRE SERVICE

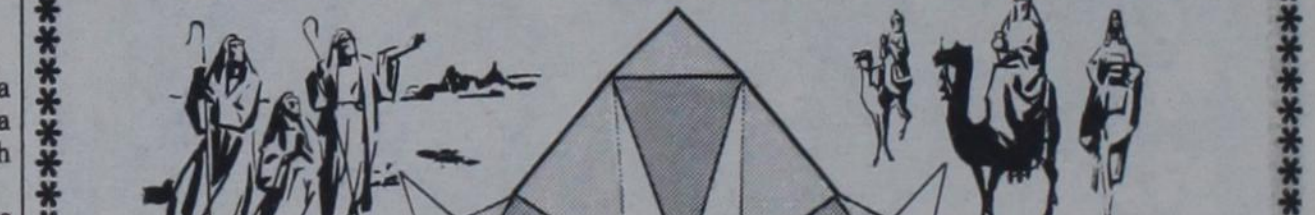
Dear Santa,
We you pleas beng me a boll and a wagon and a movie about The Cat and the hat.
Love,
Lydia Moreno

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me A watch for telephone and puppy, tether ball to bike purse.
Love,
Bobby

Dear Santa Claus,
I want three bb guns for me and for my brothers. I want a meni bike for my borther. Bring a police car. Bring a cb for my Father. Bring a dress for my mother. Bring a watch for me.
Abel Martinez

Dear Santa,
I want you to give me toys and give the other rooms toys to. I hop you are all right. Think you.
Love,
John Ellis

Dear Santa Claus,
Bring a mene bike for my brother. And bring a watch for my sister and bring two baby of lives for my sisters. And bring a moer sikel for my Father. And bring a wier mechen for my mother. And bring a mene bike for me.
Love,
Bobby



Dear Santa,
I want a Babby Alive and a Babby tha away. Can you bring me that.
From
Jeanette Chavers

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring my sister A doll and my brother a football. I want a doll. And bring my sister a doll. And my brother a ball.
I love Santa Claus.
Nena Martinez



Dear Santa,
I would like you to send me a pair of boots for Christmas. Also I would lak a baby Alive doll if you have enough to go around. I'll say good-bye and see you next year.
Angie McCarver
P.S. There will be milk and cookies for you on the table. Help yourself.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike. And want a doll. For Christmas. And a tether ball. And a watch please Santa Claus.
Martina Corrales



Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bean bag. I want a barbie townhouse. I want some house shoes. I want black high schoes. I want a purple and white long dress. I want some pajanas. I want a trampoline. I want a belt. I want some purple and white shoes. I want a brown purse.
Lisa Ramirez

Dear Santa,
I want a baby Alive. I want a ceclis and braslet and ear ring and a ring. Thank you.
Love,
Stephanie McLean



Dear Santa Claus,
I want black cleats and brown high schoes and a trampoline and a football suit, all purple and the helmet white and a purple bobcat on the sizes and a real football. I want a cardnal suit with all the afument.
Lonnie

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a car and a bik. I will go to see Santa Claus.
Joe Alvarez

Christmas Goy

May the true spirit of Christmas be reborn in your heart, bringing holiday joys and blessings to you and those most dear to you Let us celebrate as we remember the night of the Savior's Holy Birth.

GIFFORD-HILL & CO., INC.
Bob Crozier

PEACE

At this holiest of all seasons, let us rededicate our hearts and spirit toward "Peace on earth, good will to all men."

Parsons Rexall Drug

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May your hearth and home be blessed this Christmas. Thanks to our loyal friends and patrons for putting your confidence in our hands.

IVEY INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE
Gene & Connie Ivey



May your Christmas be merry and bright as you kindle the fire of hospitality in your heart and home. To our good friends, warm holiday greetings and thanks.

DIMMITT EQUIPMENT CO.

Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good.
Please bring me a truck.
Love,
Jerry Gonzales

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good.
Please bring me a Baby Christi.
Love,
Cathy Witt

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good. Please bring me a Baby That away.
Love,
Vicki Murillo

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good.
Please bring me a Baby That away.
Love,
Johnny Flores Jr.

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good.
Please bring me some games.
Love,
Joy McDaniel

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good.
Please bring me a GI Joe.
Love,
Russell Heath

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good.
Please bring me a Bicycle and Baby That away.
Love,
Charlynn Hunter

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good.
Please bring me a Super Friend.
Love,
Darrell Lewis

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good.
Please bring me doll dishes.
Love,
Kimberly Washington

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good.
Please bring me a magic jewelry set and Baby Thataway and some games.
Love,
Paula Ivey

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good.
Please bring me a bike.
Love,
Berneice Ewing

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good.
Please bring me a Baby Alive.
Love,
Brenda Daniels

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good.
Please bring me a Baby Alive.
Love,
Ester Campos

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good.
Please bring me a set of Walkie Talkies.
Love,
Tim Sims

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good. Please bring me cowboys and Indians.
Love,
Anthony Jordan

Dear Santa,
Bring my baby sister a "baby bottoms" and bring me a Baby that-Away" and a Here's Bengi" and a "Super Blender". That is all Santa. Bye Bye Santa.
Thank you,
Deborah Ann Schmucker

Dear Santa,
I love you very much. All of my family loves you, too. I want a bike and a BB gun. That's all I want for Christmas.
Love,
Jerry Cordova

Dear Santa,
I wish you could bring me a bike, barbe doll, ring, necklace, a big ball, a play record, and a purse, too.
Love,
Matilde Lopez

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, some skates, some Christmas Candy, a ten speed bike, a record player, a ring, a Barby doll, and a cake maker.
Love,
Lucy Vasquez

Dear Santa,
I love you very much. How I would like to have a bike to have lots of fun. Will you please? I'd like to have everything but not a doll. I would like to have a bed of my own. I would like to have everything of my own.
Love,
Rosa Mrieles

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Tefany Taylor doll, a Slinky and a chalkboard. That's all I want and I hope you can bring that stuff. Santa Claus, I have been a good girl.
Love,
Becky Patterson

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like some clothes, charm bracelet, doll, Miss America game, suitcase, ten speed bike, and a record player.
Love,
Tricia Touchstone

Dear Santa,
I want a Spin welder, football helmet, radio, football outfit, 4410 shot gun, horse, a model ship and TV magic set.
Merry Christmas, Sant.
Love,
David Mohon

Dear Santa,
I've been nice and good.
I want a littel three-wheeler, a ball, a horse for my sister, a new coat, cowboy and Indian set, a sleeping bag and some racing cars.
Love,
Isidro Rodriquez

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good.
Please bring me a Evel Knevel.
Love,
Abel Ramirez

Dear Santa,
I am Cory and my little brother is Wade. We are trying to be good boys. We would like a record player and a race car and a telephone. Please come see our Christmas tree. We love you.
Cory & Wade Hoelting

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good.
Please bring me a Magic Jewelry Set.
Love,
Jackie Spinhirne

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good.
Please bring a Evel Knevel and Scramble.
Love,
Gregory Malone

Dear Santa,
I want a record player, doll, piano, bike, skates, purse, and a barby doll.
Love,
Diana Dominguez

GREETINGS

As hills and valleys echo the wonderful sounds of Christmas, they echo too, our sincere gratitude for your warm and valued friendship.

Happy holidays!

THE NORTH GIN

BILL BIRDWELL, Manager

JOYOUS CHRISTMAS

As the Heavens rejoiced when Christ was born, so let us rejoice too, in peace and brotherhood. At this holy holiday we say thanks to our warm and loyal friends.

ANN'S STEAK HOUSE

Christmas Joy

Memories of an old fashioned Christmas fill all our hearts with joy... the joy of giving and sharing. We want to share warm wishes for all good things with you, our dear friends.

Higginbotham-Bartlett Co.

"A Wagon and Some Dolls and a Bike and..."



Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a "Bless you Baby Tender love." And some slippers. And bring Mom some clothes. And Daddy a hat and street suit. And my sister Shana a Sunshine family and a stroller. I thing I have been good. Bring the poor children something to play with. Thank you. Please remember my teacher.
Love,
Gail Birkenfeld
P.S. Please bring Darryl a new girl friend. (Better looking this time.)
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Scramble Van and a

camper, and a boat and a pair of Cowboy Boots. I also want a watch.
Love,
Kyle Schacher

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 5 years old. I want a guitar and a Six Million Dollar Man set.
Love,
Dale Birkenfeld

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a game called Trouble and a pocket radio.
Love,
Donald Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,
I want a 3-horsepower Bike SS 300. I want a Big Wheel Cycle that runs on pedal power. I also want a Daisy pump air rifle.
Love,
Micky

Dear Santa Claus,
Please give my brothers and sisters a nice thing. Please bring a football, a football suit No. 12-Dallas Cowboys. Please bring some TV magic cards. Will you give my mom and dad a nice thing? Our whole family want a piano and a game of Stay Alive.
Love,
Brian Ramaekers

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Christmas. I love you Santa Claus. I would like to have a train, a top, and television.
Love,
Jeffery Brown

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Baby A Live Care Set, A doll, clothes, toesocks, TV Magic Set and a Sleeping bag.
Love,
Becky Oldham

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Bike, a football, a Skabech gun with a raffle, a Evel Kanval Stunt Bike, a Basketball, two Walkie Talkies, a watch, race car, a BB gun, a Six Million Dollar Man, some play cars, with play trucks, and a pellet gun for Christmas this year.
Love,
Dennis Chavira

Dear Santa,
I would like a bike. I have one but it is broken. It is orange. I hope you could bring it to me. It is kind of big but would you bring it to me.
Love,
Alex Lopez

Dear Santa Claus,
I'd like a TV majic set, a six million dollar man, a football, a ball, B.B. gun, a TV mystery cards and a basketball.
Love,
Joe Flores

Dear Santa Claus,
Will you bring me a cap gun and some apples and candy and some oranges. I want a bike.
Love,
Charles Brown

Dear Santa Claus,
This is what I want: a walky talky and a free moving doll. This is what my parents want: ten speed bikes and pogo-sticks. Well I got to go!
Love,
Kathy Durbin

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a walkie talkie, a cattle truck, a lightnig cycle, Paint-o-Graph, a little Detective set and Lassie.
Thank you Santa,
Bruce Huseman

Dear Santa,
I am glad Christmas is coming. May I please have a baby one year. And the price is right game and a nurse kit. Merry Christmas.
Love,
Leona Gerber

Dear Santa,
Would you please bring me a play rifle and pistol, football, Walkie-Talkie, Evel Kneivel stunk Cicycle. Please bring Chad some blocks and some little toy trucks.
Love,
Troy Huseman

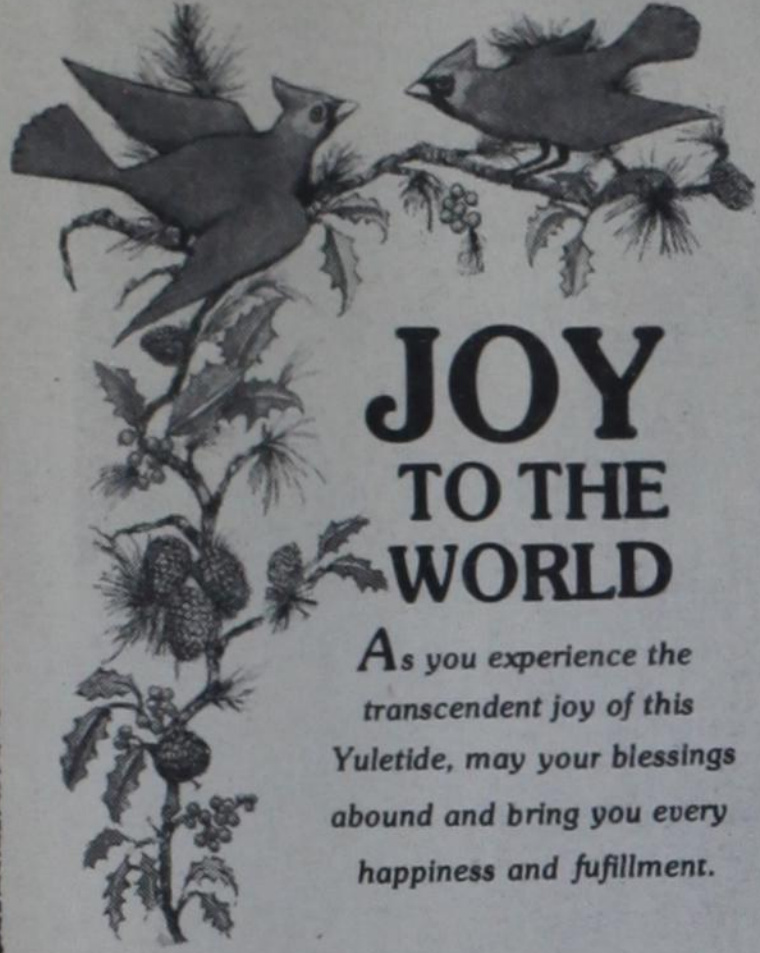
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a box-blox and a Evel Knievel stunt cycle. Dale my little brother wants a crash band crack 'em up set. Wayne wants a See 'N Say for Christmas. All the family wants a Rookies Walkie-Talkie set.
Love,
Robert Birkenfeld.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a football helmet, boots, football shoes, and jersey and a planter. I hope I have been a good boy. Bring my mother and my father something nice.
Love,
Darryl

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a lot of toys for all the children. And I hop you can come in our class room. I'll try to be good on the day before Christmas. For Christmas I hope you can bring some toys and a doll for Cindy. Please bring Chris, Steve, Liz and I some things too. Remember all the poor children too.
Love,
Dale Albracht

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a Barbie's Miss America Beauty Center. And I want a doll bed. And I want a folding stroller. And I want a Skipper Barbie doll. And I want a Taffy Maker. And please bring my brother a Big Driver Dashboard. And please bring my brother a single channel Walkie Talkie.
Love,
Kelly Schilling

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a pumpe gun for Christmas, a nice warm sleeping bag, a three wheeler, a hot coat for winter, a little color TV that uses batteries, a 22 shot gun that does not kick me when I shoot it and a set of a railroad track that has trains. That's all I want for Christmas.
Love,
Ricky Garibaldi



JOY TO THE WORLD

As you experience the transcendent joy of this Yuletide, may your blessings abound and bring you every happiness and fulfillment.

FEDERAL LAND BANK ASSOCIATION

JOYOUS GREETINGS

May the blessings of Christmas be with you today and always. Thanks to you all.



214 N. Broadway
DIMMITT UPHOLSTERY & GARAGE



on earth...
peace

The most blessed blessing of them all...

Peace In Our Time! Our hearts soar with fervent thanks for this blessing and the joys of a serene Christmas. As we celebrate this special time, we extend deep gratitude to all our devoted friends.



O, Holy Night

A miraculous star shone in the heavens that Holy Night the Savior was born. For nearly two thousand years that bright spirit has flourished as we rejoice each Christmas season, and reaffirm our faith in His Holy Birth. May His true spirit abide with you through the Holy Season and for all time.

FIVE POINT GIN

CLARK DOBBS, Manager

WESTERN AMMONIA

Joyous Christmas



After nearly 2,000 years the Holy Birth
 remains a wondrous miracle to all.
 As we remember the joy of the Wise Men
 who sought and found the Christ Child in the manger,
 let us exult and offer thanks in celebration of His coming.
 May this sacred season bring the Light of Peace and Love
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King calls for corn layout

Carl King, president of the young Texas Corn Growers Association, said Friday that he feels a voluntary cutback in planted acreage "is the only answer for us" in the face of record corn production, falling prices and government interference in markets.

EXPRESSING the frustration of corn producers over record-high costs and break-even market prices, King urged Texas corn growers to consider "diversion of acreage—through a soil conservation program or some way" in 1976.

"With an expected corn production of 5.474 billion bushels this year, what kind of price can we expect otherwise?" King asked his audience at the annual TCGA meeting in the County Expo Center here. "I think diverted acreage is the only answer."

By resolution, TCGA members later set the diversion figure at 20%.

THE TCGA adopted bylaws, elected officers and new board members, passed a set of resolutions and reviewed the past year's accomplishments during their half-day annual meeting here. During the afternoon, specialists from the Extension Service, A&M, Texas Tech and research stations presented seminar talks on various aspects of corn production.

Dimmitt remained the capital of the TCGA when its top three officers were re-elected. They are King, president; Glenn Odom, vice-president; and Barry Love, secretary-treasurer. All three men are from Dimmitt.

IN ADOPTING the bylaws, the 175 persons present set the membership fee at \$20 per year, with associate memberships available to those in related businesses.

Each of the 40 counties in the TCGA area is allowed one producer director, one businessman director (who can also be a producer), and one additional board member for each 50,000 acres or major fraction thereof planted in corn.

Ray Joe Riley, one of the founders of TCGA, reported that \$90,000 in state funds and \$729,000 in new federal funds have been appropriated for corn research.

Churches hold special rites

Traditional Christmas midnight mass in Catholic churches will climax the special services marking the season of Christ's birth in churches of this area.

A CHRISTMAS Eve communion service is also scheduled in First United Methodist Church here.

Most other churches completed their observance of the holiday Sunday with choirs and congregations singing Christmas hymns and anthems, programs for the children and sermons appropriate to the most joyous Christian holiday.

Carolers from the Presbyterian, First Christian and First United Methodist Church went to South Hills Manor and other points in the city Sunday night, singing the Christmas message.

PRECEDING the mass at 12 midnight in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church here will be a short period of music beginning at 11:45 p.m. Rev. Raphael Chen, pastor, will conduct the mass.

A Christmas morning mass is also scheduled at 10:30 a.m. Thursday with Father Chen officiating.

In Holy Family Catholic Church at Nazareth, the Christmas Eve service will begin with carols at 11:45 p.m. Wednesday.

Rev. Stanley Crocchiola will be the celebrant for the mass, which will be sung by the church's Pageant Choir under direction of Norene Kleman.

THE SERVICE of Holy Communion at First United Methodist Church will begin at 6 p.m., Rev. Marvin Roark announces. This will be an open service, and participants are invited to come to the church any time until 7:30 p.m.

"A MAJOR part of this new federal money is for research on the Southwestern corn border," Riley said. "This is a significant amount."

He credited Congressman George Mahon with securing and designating the additional federal appropriations (in a total of \$8,805,900 appropriated for corn research), and said State Sens. Max Sherman of Amarillo and Kent Hance of Lubbock and House Speaker Bill Clayton of Springlake were instrumental in the state corn research appropriation.

TCGA members adopted resolutions advocating: —That the federal government stop using commodities as political tools and stop interfering with the export market;

—Formation of a national advisory committee representing government, marketing entities, transportation systems and labor to maintain a fair balance of supply and demand; —A 20% decrease in planted acreage this year, with marketing placed on a monthly basis;

—CONTINUATION of No. 2 priority for irrigation gas, and an investigation into recent price increases of natural gas with an eye toward a possible rollback in prices;

—Opposition to a total federal grain-inspection system; —Promotion of a referendum for corn producers on a check-off fee to be used for research, promotion and marketing;

—THAT processors of agricultural products assume "some of the responsibility for maintaining fair prices to consumers"; and

—That farm land "not bear more than its fair share of the load" of taxes for financing Texas public schools.

NEW directors elected to the TCGA board Friday are Monty Boozer and Robert Duke of Castro County; Doc Beizer and Dick Wining of Dallam; Kenneth Christie and Gerald McCathern of Deaf Smith; James Becker and Don Marble of Floyd; Gaylord Groce of Hale; James Fulkers and Elbert Schramm of Hartley; Dwayne Jones, Floyd Light and Larry Whitten of Lamb; Ralph Mabry of Lubbock; Jim Dowty and Wayne Clark of Moore; Bob Welch, Ira Bruce Parr, Gene Smith, Jerry Glover, Clarence Christian, Clyde Woodward and W. L. "Preach" Edelman of Parmer; and Johnny Crownover of Sherman.

These new directors will join those elected to the charter board at last year's meeting. They are Jess Willard, Truman Touchstone, Glenn Odom, Barry Love, Dick Reinhardt, John Gilbreath and Ray Joe Riley of Castro; Harold Clark, Harvey Garrison and Edward Allison of Moore; Bruce Little, Troy Thomas, Bill Millen and Keith Menefee of Bailey; T. C. Measles of Swisher; Bruce Parr of Parmer; and Jay Boston of Deaf Smith.

Rest stop is offered

Aimed at preventing holiday traffic accidents, a rest stop for motorists is being conducted by the Castro County Lucky 7 CB Club on Christmas and again on New Year.

COFFEE is being served around the clock with sandwiches added at night after area cafes close. It's all free to motorists, compliments of the CB'ers and Castro County businesses.

Purpose of the operation is to encourage holiday travelers—especially those on long trips—to break their travel time with a stop for refreshment and relaxation that may prevent drowsiness which could contribute to highway accidents.

The rest stop opened at noon Tuesday at the 385-194 intersection in southeast Dimmitt. It is being manned by Lucky 7 Club members, assisted by a number of volunteers from the community who work on four-hour shifts in couples.

GLYNN MANSELL, vice-president of the club, is general chairman. John Wait, president, and the other officers have helped in organizing the project.

The Christmas rest stop will continue until midnight, Dec. 26. For New Year the operation will begin at noon Dec. 31 and close at midnight Jan. 2.

Donations to provide the free refreshments have been given generously by businessmen of the county, according to Doris Wait, club reporter, who voiced the group's appreciation for community cooperation with the recently organized club.

In addition to hot coffee, drinks to be served include cocoa, Coke and Dr. Pepper, Mrs. Wait said. Signs have been placed on the highways by Fred Goldsmith, Leroy Johnson and others on their committee to call attention to the rest stop. In addition, announcements by the CB'ers are beamed to travelers in the area.



N.C.G.A. PRESIDENT JOHN CURRY ADDRESSES CORN GROWERS. Seated are Barry Love (left), State Sen. Max Sherman

'Government interference in markets will continue'

US government interference in grain marketing is likely to continue, despite farmers' demands that the government get out of their business, the president of the National Corn Growers Association said here Friday.

JOHN CURRY of Illinois, president of one of the nation's largest commodity groups, was the keynote speaker at the annual meeting of the Texas Corn Growers Association, held in the County Expo Center.

In a fast-paced address, Curry told how America's corn crop is affected by such diverse factors as the international monetary system, the political structure of Western Europe, the "Solzhynitzyn movement"

in Russia, and the affluence of Japan. He also reported wind-harnessing prototype systems that are now being tested, and expressed hope that a multiple-ear corn variety can be developed to make better use of nutrient energy.

Curry didn't call for a voluntary cutback in corn production in 1976—as some in his audience expected him to—but concentrated instead on the problems of corn production as they relate to foreign demand.

HE WAS optimistic that foreign markets for American corn would continue to be strong, but predicted that the federal government would continue to use the yellow grain as a po-

litical tool. And, he said, corn producers may as well brace themselves for continued wild fluctuations in market prices.

"Prices will continue to fluctuate violently," he predicted, "and we'll have to learn to operate our businesses to cope with this problem."

NOTHING about corn prices is certain, Curry said—especially when the government steps in to control sales. "We got quite a jolt this fall with the government interference," he said. "We had never seen the control of demand before. But despite the protests of farmers, I believe government interference in agriculture will continue."

Curry sparked his speech with such snappy subheadings as "Franco's Successor," "The Solzhynitzyn Movement in Russia" and "Will Japanese Women Continue to Want Longer Legs?"

Cats to enter Caprock event

Dimmitt's undefeated Bobcats will enter the Caprock ABC Invitational Basketball Tournament in Lubbock Monday—and it may be for the last time.

ONLY FIVE varsity teams will compete in the Caprock Tourney's small-school division this year. They are Lubbock Cooper, Lubbock Christian, Tahoka, Ralls and Dimmitt. The other three slots in the eight-team bracket are filled with a pair of Lubbock junior varsity teams (Monterrey and Coronado), with the Coronado JV drawing a bye into the semifinals.

Morton will still be in the tourney, but the Indians were admitted to the large-school bracket. The unprecedented bracketing gives the Bobcats and Indians the opportunity to sweep both divisions of the tourney if they're able, but thwarts a pre-conference shootout between the District 3-AA foes.

Coach Kenneth Cleveland said he's disappointed over the short field and bracketing, and that he may shop for another tournament for his Bobcats next year.

Cleveland attributed the short Caprock entry list to the move from Lubbock Municipal Coliseum to Coronado High School gym three years ago, plus competition from a growing field of other holiday tourneys.

Still, the tourney is likely to give the Bobcats their toughest test to date.

The Bobcats' first game will be at 6 p.m. Monday against Ralls, following opening-round games between Tahoka and Monterrey JV at 12:30 and Cooper vs. Lubbock Christian at 2 p.m.

If the Bobcats win their opening-round game, they'll meet the Coronado Junior Varsity in the semifinals Tuesday at 3:30. The loser of the Dimmitt-Ralls first-round game will advance directly to the consolation championship game at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday.

The third-place game is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, with the championship bout on tap at 7:30 p.m.

Bobbies enter Slaton tourney

Dimmitt's Bobbies will get their toughest test to date next week when they close out 1975 in the grueling, 12-team Slaton Tournament.

THE BOBBIES will open play Monday at 4 p.m. against Tahoka. To earn the championship they'll have to win that game plus two games Tuesday, then the championship bout at 8:30 p.m. New Year's Eve.

Other teams in the strong field are Slaton, Ralls, Iraan, Paducah, Tulia, McCamey, Wylie, Christ the King, Frenship and Bronte.

The winner of Monday's Dimmitt-Tahoka game will play the Wylie-CTK victor in Tuesday's leadoff game at 10 a.m.—the first of a 12-hour schedule of second-round games on tap Tuesday. The Dimmitt-Tahoka loser will play the Wylie-CTK loser in the consolation bracket at 1 p.m. Tuesday.

THE OTHER two sextets in the six-team lower bracket with the Bobbies are Frenship and Bronte. In this bracket, the semifinal bout will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, the third-place game at 7 p.m. Wednesday, the consolation quarterfinals at 4 p.m. Tuesday, consolation semifinal game at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, consolation third-place game at 4 p.m. Wednesday, consolation championship bout at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, and the championship bout at 8:30 Wednesday.

Winter begins

[Readings recorded at 7 a.m. daily for the preceding 24 hours.]

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Sunday	55	20
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Tuesday	53	24

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RUINED KITCHEN IN RONNIE IVY HOME. Christmas decorations were already up when fire struck

Burned-out families hope children's Yule is happy

By SUE COLEMAN

Christmas won't be quite as expected for two Castro County families whose farm homes have been destroyed by fire recently. But their neighbors and friends are seeing that the season won't be too bare.

TREES, decorations and gifts being readied for Christmas were burned along with household furnishings and other family belongings in both blazes.

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The CIA has been accused of, and connected with, a number of activities that are alien to what had always been considered proper for our government agencies. Some of the revelations brought out in recent hearings left us a little cold, or maybe numb. The very thought that our government would consider assassination, and collaboration with the underworld to commit murder is foreign to the principals on which our government is founded. Do we have the right to criticize the acts of the terrorists, from our government's point of view, who committed murder and took hostages in Vienna, Austria the other day. At this Christmas season it might be the proper time to reestablish our priorities and views of right and wrong.

We are caught in between. It is too late to get much more done this year, and it is too early to get started on next year. We just have time and space to wish our readers and friends a very Merry Christmas.

Our only New Year's resolution is that we will try to do a better job next year than we have done in the past twelve months.

What will be closed when?

City and county offices, the bank, utilities and most retail business firms in Dimmitt will close Christmas Day, and some will have longer holiday periods.

SCHOOLS in the city began the winter vacation Friday, with classes dismissed an hour early, and will remain closed until Monday, Jan. 5.

Offices in the courthouse will be closed from Christmas Eve through the weekend. They will close again for New Year's Day, on Thursday only.

City offices will be closed Christmas Day and again on New Year's Day, and the Chamber of Commerce will follow the same schedule.

PIONEER Natural Gas Co. has announced that its office will be closed Thursday and Friday, resuming business Monday. Southwestern Public Service Co. plans a Christmas Eve and Christmas Day closing and will be open Friday. Both the utility offices schedule one-day holidays for New Year's.

The First State Bank will be open Friday after the Christmas holiday, and will close again on New Year's Day.

Rhoads Memorial Library will take a holiday from Christmas Eve through the weekend, and since it is normally closed on Mondays will not be open until Tuesday morning.

Civic luncheon clubs in the city will not meet through the holiday period as their meeting place, the Colonial Inn Restaurant, will be closed from Christmas Eve to Jan. 2.

dampening the holiday plans of children in the two homes.

"The prettiest Christmas tree we've ever had," Mrs. Ronnie Ivy said, was part of the loss when the Ivy home a mile north and six miles west of Flagg was so badly damaged that the family was forced to find a temporary residence during repairs.

And the home of the Ysabel Longoria family on the Arthur Clark farm 10 miles north of Dimmitt was completely aflame when the fire was discovered by a passerby on the road, who thought at first glance that he saw Christmas lights in the windows. The home was a total loss.

MR. AND MRS. Longoria and the four grandchildren they are raising are settled now in another house on the Clark place and, like the Ivys, they have had essential furniture and household necessities given

Amstar's plans for new plant are announced

Amstar Corp. has announced it will begin construction of a second facility to produce high fructose corn syrup early next year, in addition to its present plant in Dimmitt.

THE COMPANY was reported by the Wall Street Journal Friday as saying also that it expects the Dimmitt plant by late 1976 to produce about 3.4 million hundred-pound bags of high fructose corn syrup on a dry solids basis annually.

Current production at the Dimmitt plant, which Amstar acquired in 1973, is about half a million hundred-pound bags annually.

The proposed new plant, which is expected to be completed by mid-1978, will be designed to produce annually about 400 million hundred-pound bags of high fructose corn syrup on a dry solids basis.

A SITE for the new facility has not been selected, the largest US sugar cane refiners' announcement said. Its estimated cost would be more than \$60 million.

Amstar said its Dimmitt plant and the new facility both will have the "flexibility" to manufacture other corn sweetener products.

Mrs. Heath's funeral held

Funeral services for Mrs. W. E. Heath, 41, of Dimmitt, were conducted Friday afternoon in Brownfield Funeral Home Chapel and burial was in Terry County Memorial Cemetery.

THE OFFICIANT was Rev. Donald Puryear, pastor of the Church of the Living God at Brownfield. Mrs. Heath was a member of that church.

Her death occurred early Thursday in a Plainview hospital after a lengthy illness.

A resident of Dimmitt since 1957 when she moved from Sweetwater, Mrs. Heath was an employee of the ASC office here from March, 1957 until her retirement last May.

THE FORMER Loudeen Armstrong, she was born in Hidalgo County and married Gene Heath Feb. 7, 1953, in Colorado City.

Her husband survives, with a daughter, Rhonda Michelle, and a son, Russell Eugene, of the home; her father, Willie Armstrong of Weatherford; three brothers, W. A. Armstrong Jr. of Sweetwater, J. C. Armstrong of Fort Worth and Harold Armstrong of Weatherford.

en them by neighbors.

The Longoria children's prospect of a bleak Christmas excited the sympathy of some Hereford clubwomen who sent Christmas decorations and a tree next day, along with more practical household articles.

The Ivys were not certain that they would replace their Christmas tree, but they were invited to share the tree at the home of Ivy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ivy, in the same neighborhood.

IN BOTH cases, the house fires were discovered while the occupants were absent.

The Ivys returned from a visit to a Muleshoe doctor to find firemen fighting the blaze at their home. The fire started at a water heater, Dimmitt Fire Marshal Guy Waldrop reported. A neighbor saw the blaze and turned in the alarm.

Two rooms and part of a third were a complete loss, while other rooms and a connected mobile home had heavy smoke damage that left the furnishings in unusable condition.

The family is temporarily settled in a nearby house now and residents of the community have supplied them with furniture to serve them for the time being. Clothing of Mrs. Ivy and the children was saved from the fire.

There are three Ivy children—a 6-year-old girl and two boys, 11 and 9.

The Longorias were in Lubbock visiting their daughter when their home burned. Gifts they had brought back from a recent trip to South Texas were among items lost in the blaze.

Also destroyed was a freezer filled with food they had grown in their own garden and put up for the winter. The house was so completely burned that cause of the fire could not be determined, Waldrop said.

Gun accident claims life of Harvey Staton

A hunting trip ended in tragedy last Thursday afternoon when Harvey Delmar Staton, 71, was fatally wounded as he took his shotgun from his car at his home, 201 NW Sixth St.

MR. STATON had driven his car into his garage upon returning from a hunting trip at 4:20 p.m., and was taking the 12-gauge shotgun from his car when it discharged, Justice of the Peace Marshall Young reported.

The discharge entered Mr. Staton's body on the lower left abdomen. Young ruled that death was caused by accidental gunshot wound.

MEMORIAL services for Mr. Staton were conducted Saturday afternoon in the Lee Street Baptist Church by Rev. Bobby Gordon, pastor. Burial was in Castro Memorial Gardens, under the direction of Dennis Funeral Home.

A retired service station operator, Mr. Staton had been a Dimmitt resident 39 years. He and his brother, H. V., operated the Staton Brothers Gulf Station at Northwest Second and Bedford for many years. Born in Ozark, Ark., he was a veteran of World War II.

HE IS survived by two sisters, Mrs. Montie Bradley and Mrs. Lois Sites, both of Tulsa; and four brothers, H. V. of Dimmitt, Raymond of Amarillo, E. B. of Oklahoma City and Clyde of Kansas City, Mo.

Active pallbearers were Dub Cline, Lester McDermitt, Harlan Dodd, Kenneth Jackson, T. D. Claborn and Raymond West.

Sheffy's chatter

Shirley Davis is honored at city employees' party

By MYRTLE SHEFFY

The city workers had a big party at the community room Friday. The hosts and hostesses were Mayor Elmer Braafladt, Garnett and Polly Holland, the commissioners and wives J. R. and Mary Jo Brown, Chet and Helen Braafladt. Garnett presented the ladies with red carnation Christmas corsages. They served sandwiches, cookies and punch to all the city employees and their guests and a special plaque was given to Shirley Davis, city secretary, who is moving to Valdez, Alaska with her husband Lloyd, who is with a big oil company.

night at the Hereford Country Club. A delicious meal was served, door prizes given and music was provided by a live band for dancing or just listening. Out of town guests were Mrs. Molly Goodpasture, Ken and Rita Muldrow, Bob and Herbie Boswell of Brownfield and Jim West of Lubbock.

Western Ammonia had also hosted a party for the children of their employees last week at the Dimmitt Country Club. Santa was there with gifts for all the kids and all kinds of Christmas goodies were served for refreshments.

JERRY AND Carol Cluck were hosts to long-time friends at a dinner Saturday. They are Don Workman of Lubbock, Dr. Pickett and Dr. Glenn of Amarillo.

Murray Hall has been in Weslaco for a few weeks, is home now. He and Fred Annen have bought a parts store there and they have a store here on South Broadway.

Mrs. Donald Gilreath spent Friday in Amarillo visiting her daughters Donna LaRue and Judy who is in Amarillo College. Judy has plans for a spring wedding. We will hear about that later on.

JO WOOD and friend Mary Sweatmon of Muleshoe were in Dimmitt for the party at South Hills Manor. Jo's husband Buck Wood is living there recuperating from a stroke and her dad Milt Hardy is at the home also.

Mrs. Sweatmon is the mother of Mrs. Jimmy Presley, a former resident of Dimmitt. People were there from all the area towns.

I had planned to go to Nazareth for the Pageant. So let's do try to go the 23rd of December.

Kristi Brashears of Fort Worth was a weekend guest of Susan Wise in the Frank Wise home. Both girls are students at Texas Tech at Lubbock.

Joan Thrasher was hostess at a Christmas luncheon Thursday. The girls exchanged Christmas ornaments. Guests were Sara Hill, Fran Gabel, Mary Gabel, Carlee Warren, Martha Jo Hyman, Patti Summers, Patricia Braafladt, Wanda Nelson and Becky Killingsworth.

Johnny Ortiz and Sylvia Rangel were married at Christ the King Catholic Church in Lubbock Saturday evening. The reception and dance was at KoKo Inn later. Olevia and Nati are the groom's parents, and Rosa the sister was in the wedding. Many people went to the festivities from here.

JANET KING Pool and husband Gary and his father Bob Pool, all from Groom, were here last weekend to visit Carl and Frances King and of course the grandson came too. The men attended the Corn Growers meeting at the Exposition Building Friday morning.

Joe and Lois Scott and Jim and Dorothy Elder went to Lubbock Thursday for the funeral service of Virgie Baker of Wolford. She is the mother of Lena Martin. And then Friday Mrs. Baker was visiting another daughter in Fort Worth and had a heart attack, just sitting in a chair, seemingly okay before. The service was at Ricks Funeral Home in Lubbock.

The Justices and their helpers were hosts to a Christmas party and tree with gifts for the residents of South Hills Manor Tuesday evening. Mrs. Justice and DeLorise Gilliland greeted the guests and Mrs. Chet Braafladt led the singing of the carols. The beautiful red velvet clad Santa was Jack Flynt (I heard). He made for a merry party. Walter Maynard and Carolyn helped serve punch and cookies. Several others helped out.

THE JOE Scotts had company last weekend, Joe's brother



BON VOYAGE—Mayor Elmer Youts presents an appreciation plaque to Shirley Davis, who has been the city's administrative supervisor since February 1973, during the city employees' Christmas party Friday. Mrs. Davis is moving this week to Valdez, Alaska, where her husband, Lloyd, is a project engineer with the Alaska pipeline project.

Chester and Mrs. Scott, their daughter and husband Mr. and Mrs. Gil and son Kelly of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Davis of Plainview were here Thursday to visit their son Durward and Joyce Davis. The C. A. Davises have had a trip to Alpine and the Big Bend area.

Myrtle Behrends is home from a bus trip, first stop in Lubbock to see her sister Vera Durell, then on to Brownwood to see sister Willie Younger and another town for a visit with Wanda who works in the post office. Willie or Bill is a school teacher.

Jerry and Linda Morris came home from Dallas to visit his parents C. L. and Anita Morris and the other Willis kin. His brother Larry and Jean and children went to Stephenville to spend the Christmas holiday with her folks, the Paul Hillburns, but will be back here for a meal with the Morrisises.

THE GRADE school program was so very good. The choir was under the direction of Dwight Joiner with Mrs. Ellison at the piano. Gaynell Minnick did a solo and young Crystal Scott and Robin Cluck and Mark Bruegel and Jason

did solo songs. Brenda McClelland directed three short plays by the seventh and eighth grades. All did well. Another group put on programs at the old auditorium Wednesday night. I couldn't go again.

The Lee Street Baptist Church had their Christmas program Sunday with the direction of Randy Gordon. I hear that church has much pep, vim and vigor. If you are a Baptist, go visit there.

Sunday morning Bob and Phyllis Mooney and Joe and daughter Suzie and Rick Bell of Abilene went to Amarillo to hear daughter Janice Davis play the piano for a special holiday musical program. They had dinner with Janice and husband Gerald and son Brad.

And Christmas Day the Bob Mooney family, Janice and Gerald and son, Jane Mooney of Amarillo, Rick and Suzie, Gary and Judy Moore of Sunray and Pat Greathouse and daughter Julie of Monahans and Cindy Greathouse of TWU of Denton and Cari and Debra of Amarillo will have dinner at Elmer and Mauzee Youts' house.

POLLY BELL and granddaughter Lori went to Canyon for the Sunday Christmas program at the Methodist Church. Her daughter Karen and Don Sheffy had a part.

Tuesday Morning Mamie Birdwell and Polly Bell cooked a good breakfast at Mamie's house for the painting friends. Guests were Bish Bradford, Sarah Blackwell, Marie Tate,

Jo Gregory and Gail Nelson. And another evening H. C. and Gail Nelson were the honorees at a supper at the Colonial Inn Restaurant celebrating their 40th anniversary of life together. All their children were hosts and hostesses, Joe and Lucy and Norman and Sandra Stanley and Connie (except they have a new baby girl and couldn't come.) The Nelson's daughter Janis and Donald Shelton. And other guests at dinner and '42' later at Joe's house were Polly Bell, Mamie Birdwell, the Burl Bradfords, the Jim Hayeses, the Curtis Tates, the Blackie Blackwells and Mrs. Andy Nelson and Gail's sister and husband Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Holders of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Axe of Vega were here visiting several friends. They are former residents.

FLOYD AND Mary Jean Copeland of Denver are holiday guests of her mother Vera Webb and all had dinner at brother Allan and Peggy

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Webb's. Floyd is with a big oil company up there.

Mamie Birdwell is the great grandma of a boy who is the son of Billie Sue and Wayne Maddox.

Lori Levi of Denver has been here several days visiting the G. L. Willis and families. Her

mom Levi came Monday to see her mother Mrs. C. O. Byrnes and all were dinner guests of G. L. and Ouida Willis Christmas. This includes Gene and Shari Bradley, two boys, Mike and Jan Baca and

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Advertisement for Eversman products for faster, easier, more economical land forming. Includes images of hydraulic scrapers, automatic levelers, ditchers, and new rear blades. Text describes various models and their features.

Hays Implement Co.

Advertisement for Iglesia de Cristo, E. Lee and S.E. Third. Evangelists: Miguel Zuniga. Sunday services at 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 6:00 p.m.

Advertisement for Iglesia Bautista Joe Bailes Memorial, 300 N.E. 7th. Pastor Van Earl Hughes. Services at 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Advertisement for First Baptist Church, 1201 Western Circle Drive. Rev. John Street, Pastor. Sunday services at 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 7:00 p.m.

Advertisement for First United Methodist Church, Marvin Roark, Pastor. Sunday services at 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., and 6:30 p.m.

Advertisement for Macedonia Baptist Church, 412 North East Street. Sunday services at 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 7:00 p.m.

Advertisement for Assembly of God Church, William E. Summers, Pastor. Sunday services at 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 7:00 p.m.



TIME...

As the old year passes and the new begins, we are more conscious of time itself than we are at any other time of the year.

These are days when most everything is geared to a higher speed. Automobiles are faster, aircraft set new records. Production is speeded up to make the best possible product in the shortest time... but this is a good time to slow down and review the past and to make plans for the future.

The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish.



Coleman Adv. Ser.

Advertisement for Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Rev. Raphael Chen, Pastor. Sunday services at 7:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 6:00 p.m.

Advertisement for Church of Christ, S.W. 4th at Bedford. Sunday services at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 6:00 p.m.

Advertisement for Church of Christ, NE 7th & Andrews. Sunday services at 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 6:00 p.m.

Advertisement for New Hope Baptist Church, Rev. James Alexander, Pastor. Sunday services at 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 7:30 p.m.

Advertisement for Lee Street Baptist Church, Bobby Gordon, Pastor. Sunday services at 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 7:00 p.m.

Advertisement for First Christian Church, 600 Western Drive. Sunday services at 9:45 a.m., 10:50 a.m., and 6:00 p.m.

Advertisement for Church of the Nazarene, 5th and Halsell. Sunday services at 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 7:00 p.m.

Advertisement for La Iglesia de Dios del Primojento, East Halsell St. Sunday services at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 6:00 p.m.

Advertisement for Church of Christ (Northside), Third and Halsell Streets. Sunday services at 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., and 7:30 p.m.

Advertisement for Sunnyside Baptist Church, Raymond Jones, Pastor. Sunday services at 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 7:00 p.m.

Advertisement for Carlile Theatre, Dimmitt, Texas.

Advertisement for 'Your Cow Belles say... Nothing Beats Beef'. Promotes beef gift certificates and lists participating banks like 1st State Bank and Farmers State Bank.

A grid of advertisements for local businesses including Hays Implement, Western Ammonia Corp., First State Bank, Castro County News, Higinbotham-Bartlett Co., Seale Florist, Dimmitt TV Cable, Dennis Floral & Gifts, and Floyd's Tire Shop.

More about SHEFFY'S



[Continued from Page 2B] one boy, Andy and Kay Rogers and boy.

PARTIES and more parties to celebrate Christmas or at least get into the fiesta movement.

Jack and Mary Flynt made supper Saturday for a group of their friends. All I heard was Rose Acker and Herman and Johnny Davis talking about it. They had pickup foods, coffee and punch. And later a sing along of Christmas songs with organ (Johnny Davis playing) and piano.

And another one at the Hereford Country Club Saturday night was the directors of Electric Coop hosting the Christmas party and supper. Noel and Oleta Gollehon and Raymond and Cecilia Annen of Nazareth went from here.

And Saturday night Jake and Martha Isaacs and friends Bob Sheego of Amarillo and other folks had dinner at Rhett Butler's place. Much good talk and music enjoyed.

Fred and Helen Kuntz attended the wedding in Lubbock for Johnny Ortiz and Sylvia Rangel Saturday. Mrs. Natividad Ortiz, the groom's mother, work's at the South Hills Manor as head cook.

Fred Kuntz's sister Ella Wilson of Fayetteville, W. Va. is here for a winter visit with the Kuntzes and Mrs. Helen Hodge Tiltor of Lubbock has been visiting her sister Alice and Wes Anthony and niece Helen Kuntz.

CINDY RINGO, bride-elect of Wally Feldman, was the honoree at a shower Saturday morning in the city assembly room. In the receiving line were some of the hostesses, Emily Clingsmith, Sue Caddell and Bea Hawkins, Cindy and her mother Mrs. Kenneth Ringo from Canyon and the groom-to-be's mother Mrs. Ailt Feldman. Lorena Lee of Amarillo and Debbie Harris were at the guest book.

And serving sweet rolls, spiced tea and coffee from a pretty Christmas table were Donna Raper, Karen Hutto and Lorena Lee. The hostess gift

was a card table and chairs. 20 ladies from the Presbyterian Church were hostesses. The wedding will be Dec. 27. Oh yes! Out of town guests were grandmother Mrs. O. H. Crowell and an aunt Mrs. Bob Hendrickson of Canyon.

Saturday evening Diane Ward, bride-elect of Jim Grussing, was the recipient of a pretty selection of lingerie at a party at the Grussing house. Mother of the bride is Mrs. Lee Ward and helping host the girl party was Earlene Ethington, Tami Ward, Christi Hrabel and many friends came in with good wishes and gifts.

WE, the Sheffys, were among the many who went out to Flagg to the Clyde Damron's golden wedding party hosted by their children Harold and Bobbie and kids, John Douglas and his family from Dallas and Lucile McCoy and family from Amarillo. They were serving a big cake, punch and coffee and other cakes and pies on the counter. Serena Teague, Mrs. Damron's sister, helped greet the guests from Amarillo, Plainview, Olton, well, I will say kin came in from all over the Panhandle. We wish for them many more years together.

NOEL AND Oleta Gollehon were hosts at a supper for the 42 dinner club last week. Guests were the Jim Hays, the Gene Iveys, the Elmer Youts, the Buster Morgans, the Ivor Bagwells, the M. A. Brysons, Billye Wesson and Irene Carpenter, the M. Dennises. And Bennie Gollehon and family of Carson City, Nev. will be here this week with the family. Also Ann Touchstone and kids and Kathy and kids. Oleta tells me that Bennie is singing with the Carson City Opera and playing something in the symphony. Dimmitt has sent out some smart people.

Saturday night Kyle, Tobin and Todd were hosts at a Christmas party for the Thespian Club, that is Don Blankenship's speech class. Quite a few high schoolers came in for the party.

Guests in the Leonard Dempsey home were Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ownsby of Exeter, Mo. Mrs. Ownsby is Leonard's sister.

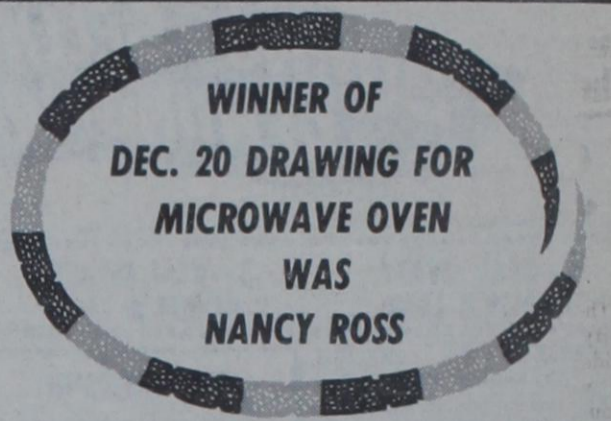
Well, I saw Craig Vandiver in the grocery store. He is in school at Baylor, also has a job there. He and Loren of New Mexico Military Institute in Roswell are home for the holiday with the Charles Vandivers.

Pvt. Folmar completes army's unit training

Army Private Robert A. Folmar, whose wife, Patricia, lives in Dimmitt, recently completed the new "One Station Unit Training" (OSUT) program at Ft. Polk, La.

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PICANTES SAUCE	16 oz. jar	77¢
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SUPER SUDS	Giant Size	59¢
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NO. 1414
ESTATE OF RUDOLPH A. HUSEMAN, DECEASED
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS
NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF RUDOLPH A. HUSEMAN, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Rudolph A. Huseman was issued on December 22, 1975, in Cause No. 1414, pending in the County Court of Castro County, Texas, to JEANETTE MARIE JOHNSON, Independent Executrix.

The residence of such Executrix is Castro County, Texas, and the Post Office address is Box 245, Nazareth, Texas 79063.

All persons having claims against this estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

-s- Jeanette Marie Johnson
Jeanette Marie Johnson, Independent Executrix, Estate of Rudolph A. Huseman, Deceased
15-12-1tc



View from the Library

By **CARLTON MOYERS**
Librarian

"Hello, Bert." "Hello, Ernie." "Say, Bert, would you hold my flower?"

"Oh no, Ernie, not this time, you're not going to get me to fall for one of your tricks again."

"No, Bert, no, I just need you to hold my flower while I tie my shoe."

"Now, Ernie, do you promise no tricks?"

"Sure, Bert, sure. Just take the flower like this, see, and I'll just bend down to tie my shoe

You've just been listening to what could very easily be a conversation between two of the characters from Sesame Street. That was Bert, the straight-laced, proper good guy who tries to do the best he can and Ernie, the mischievous, lovable rascal who is constantly winning Bert's trust and pulling another prank on him. A whole gang of muppets from Sesame Street are now on the staff at the library and I'd like you to meet them.

Here comes another. "Ba do be do, da do be do, be do be, ba da ba dump da dooby, da dooby, da dum ba da dum dum dum." (It's a song, folks.) It's Roosevelt Franklin. Another, Oscar the Grouch is green with bushy eyebrows and a terrible disposition. The furry blue one with big googly eyes and a fanatical interest in Cookie Monster. And then last but not least is the big yellow one everyone knows as Big Bird.

Jumpsuits leap to high style

Jumpsuits are 'leaping' on the fashion scene and will gain new heights of popularity during 1976, Mrs. Becky Culp, a clothing specialist, reports.

"Detail interests highlight pockets, shirt or mandarin collars, front zippers, drawstring or elasticized waistlines and dropped or raglan shoulder seams," she noted.

Mrs. Culp is with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"The long, lean jumpsuit look flatters many figure types—but at the same time, it's often difficult to fit.

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DEC. 28 — Bobbie and Fred Bruegel, Charles and Anne Heck, Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Schacher.

DEC. 29 — Leon and Karen Schulte.

DEC. 30 — Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hartman.

JAN. 1 — Rodney and Cyn-dee Patton.

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Home and hobby Story of Yuletide, told in free rhyme

By IRENE KEATING

We're in the midst of the holiday season and I want to share this Christmas story with you. Let's live this story every day in 1976. Merry Christmas!

THE STORY OF THE CHRISTMAS GUEST

By Helen Steiner Rice

It happened one day at the year's white end. Two neighbors called on an old-time friend, and they found his shop—so meager and mean—made gay with a thousand boughs of green.

And Conrad was sitting with face a-shine. When he suddenly stopped as he stitched a twine and said, "Old friends, at dawn today when the cock was crowing the night away, the Lord appeared in a dream to me and said, "I was coming to be your guest. So I've been busy with feet astir strewing my shop with branches of fir. The table is spread and the kettle is shined. And over the rafters the holly is twined, and now I will wait for my Lord to appear, and listen closely so I will hear His steps as He nears my humble place and I open the door and look in His face."

So his friends went home and left Conrad alone for this was the happiest day he had known. For long since, his family had passed away, and Conrad had spent a sad Christmas Day. But he knew with the Lord as his Christmas guest, this Christmas would be the dearest and best.

AND HE listened with only joy in his heart, and with every sound he would rise with a start and look for the Lord to be standing there in answer to his earnest prayer. So he ran to the window after hearing sounds but all that he saw on the snow-colored ground was a shabby beggar whose shoes were torn and all of his clothes were ragged and worn.

So Conrad was touched and went to the door and he said, "Your feet must be frozen and sore, and I have some shoes in my shop for you and a coat that will keep you warmer."

So with a grateful heart the man went away, but as Conrad noticed the time of day he wondered what made the dear Lord so late and how much longer he'd have to wait when he heard a knock and ran to the door.

But it was a stranger once more, a bent old crone with a shawl of black and bundle of faggots piled on her back. She asked for only a place to rest, but that was reserved for Conrad's Great Guest.

But her voice seemed to plead, "Don't send me away—let me rest for awhile on Christmas Day."

So Conrad brewed her a steaming cup, and told her to sit at the table and sup. But after she left he was filled with dismay for he saw that the hours were passing away, and the Lord had not come as He said He would and Conrad felt sure he had misunderstood when out of the stillness he heard a cry—"Please help me and tell me where I am."

Again he opened his friendly door and stood disappointed once more. It was a child who had wandered away and was lost from her family on Christmas Day. Again Conrad's heart was heavy and sad, but he knew he should make this little girl glad.

So he called her in, wiped her tears and quieted all her

childish fears. Then he led her back to her home once more but as he entered his own darkened door, he knew that the Lord was not coming today for the hours of Christmas had passed away.

So he went to his room and knelt down to pray and he said, "Dear Lord, why did you delay? What kept you from coming to call on me for I wanted so much your face to see."

When soft in the silence a voice he heard, "Lift up your head for I kept my word. Three times my shadow crossed your floor . . . three times I came to your lonely door, for I was the beggar with bruised cold feet, I was the woman you gave to eat, and I was the child on the homeless street."

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Post-holiday sales offer linen bargains

Call it a "White Sale" or a "Bright Sale"—January (and August) spell savings in the bed and bath department, Denise Beigbender, a housing and home furnishings specialist, says.

"TOWELS and sheets are no longer routine household fabrics—a new rainbow of colors, dazzling designs, easy-care fibers and endless new uses make household linen selections an exciting and challenging adventure."

"It's a good practice to re-

place a pair of sheets and pillowcases for each bed every year, but two on the bed, two in the wash and two on the shelf in good condition should be sufficient."

A minimum of four bath towels, hand towels and washcloths for each family member should also be kept on hand. Both the color scheme of the bedroom or bath and the decorative effect will need to be considered when shopping for these household linens, she said.

"All colors and designs are fashionable if they suit the decor. However, the natural look in neutrals, dulled blues and greens, browns and dusty colors are increasing in popularity. Also bright Bicentennial colors and patterns are in favor," the specialist said.

Small Talk

By SUE COLEMAN

It's a pleasure to be getting acquainted in Dimmitt and I'm finding it easy, too, with all the friendly people.

COMING from the next town up the road, I already knew a good many people in Castro County and some in Dimmitt like Irene Keating and Beral Hance at the county agents' office, with whom I've had business, and Linda and C. D. Fitzgerald, my neighbors at Hereford a few years ago.

TO CONFIRM a theory that's been proved for me in the past, to the effect that you can go nearly anywhere, start talking to people and find that about half of them know somebody you know, I've already discovered mutual acquaintances with several people I've met.

For instance, Margaret and Bob Buntyn used to live in

Denton and were well acquainted with my brother who lived there for years.

AND IN a casual conversation with Josie Martin while she was renewing her subscription to the News, she mentioned that she has lived in Hall County, where I was born, and is related by marriage to a family there that I'm also related to by marriage.

We didn't pursue the subject further, but think maybe if we did we'd find that we are something like second step-cousins-in-law by marriage, once removed.

GETTING acquainted with more people, as soon as possible, is my aim and I hereby promise not to try to rake up kinship with anybody who'd rather not.

But to those I've met and those I still haven't, I can wish a very sincere Merry Christmas!

TOO BAD that all the people who know how to run the country are busy driving taxicabs and cutting hair.

Advertisement for Anthony's featuring a Santa Claus illustration and the text 'Did Santa GOOF?' with details about exchanging gifts.

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Cultivation needed to kill corn borer

With expected large acreages of corn production next season, farmers can look forward to more cases of Southwestern corn borer infestations.

ONE OF the major insect pests of corn on the High Plains, the corn borer larva, girdles the stalks, causing them to lodge or fall. Cultural practices, such as fall plowing and discing, are the best manage-

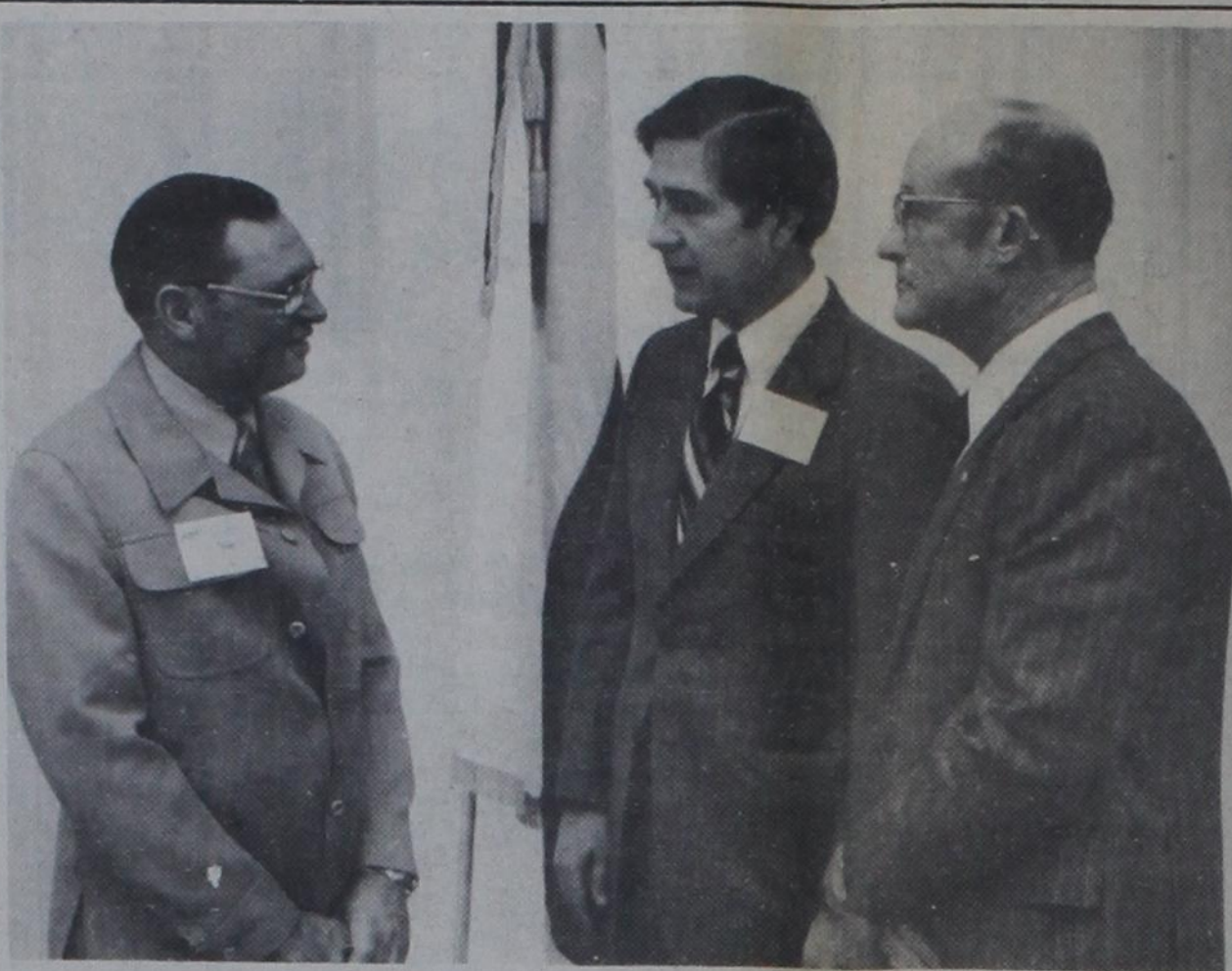
ment tools to prevent yield losses next year due to this pest, says Charles Hottel, County Agent. Hottel says mature borer larvae spend the winter four to six inches below the soil surface in the top roots of corn. "If left undisturbed, they have an excellent chance of surviving the winter."

"However, cultural practices which expose the top roots to freezing weather will greatly reduce the number of corn borers surviving the winter. In the High Plains, sufficiently cold weather to kill exposed larvae can be expected up through February."

Hottel says if a producer is planning to graze his stalks, some type of cultivation is still necessary and the earlier this is done in the winter, the more effect it will have on hibernating borer larvae.

"If no cultivation is applied until after the severe part of the winter is over, deep breaking may reduce populations some," he said. "Deep breaking often buries the borers too deep for the adult moth to emerge in the spring."

HOTTEL encourages area-wide or community-wide stalk destruction programs to help control the pest. With the prediction that corn production will increase next year, practices which decrease borer populations should be undertaken now.



MAIN SPEAKERS at the annual meeting of the Texas Corn Growers Association here Friday were (from left) John Curry of Illinois, president of the National Corn Growers Association; State Sen. Max Sherman of Amarillo, who has helped secure state appropriations for corn research in Texas; and Carl

King of Dimmitt, president of the TCGA, who reported on the organization's progress during its first year and conducted the business session. More than 150 corn producers and other interested persons attended the annual meeting in the County Expo Center.

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'Puttering with pottery' leads to new business here

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and he has turned that interest into a business.

HE WORKS at his home, 308 W. Etter. Adrian is now selling his ceramic products by personal contact. Later he hopes to move into a new shop where there is space for a large display of ceramics in both "greenware" and finished pieces, and also for paints and glazes to supply local ceramics hobbyists.

When Adrian makes ashtrays and other items he starts from scratch. He forms the clay mixture, pours it into molds, fires it to turn it into white ceramic, then sands and smooths the molded greenware.

Final step in the process is to paint the article and fire it again in a kiln to produce the colored and glazed finished piece. Currently Adrian uses molds for six different designs, and paints them with 75 different colors.

Adrian was in the car business 20 years before he decided to turn his handcraft hobby into a business.

PEOPLE on low sodium diets should read the nutrition information on labels of meats to insure that the products contain no sodium. Cured meat is treated with primarily salt or sugar and then heat processed so these meats should not be eaten on low sodium diets. Mrs. Mary Sweeten, foods and nutrition specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, reminds.

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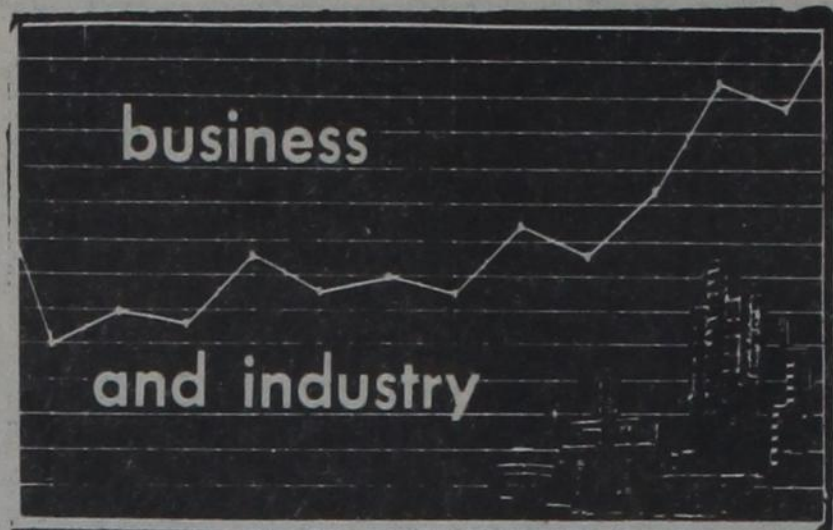
Dear Santa, I am 3 years old. Would you please bring me a Sneezing baby and some drums for Christmas? I have been a good girl this year.

I love you, Tish Miller

Dear Santa, I am a little girl 5 years old. I have tried to be a good girl this year. I would like a blessing baby tenderlove, a new dress for Sunday, some pajamas, some crayons for school and a little typewriter of my own. Don't forget all the other little boys and girls.

Love, Trisha Hufhines

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On Wall Street

By Bob Hill

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When the financial collapse of a metropolis such as New York City occurs, all sorts of ramifications spread out from the center of the problem. Now, public employee unions are taking a beating as the conflicts between state and city governments and the unions become more volatile. For the first time in 30 years cities, towns and states are laying off workers, freezing wages, cutting salaries and demanding longer hours of work.

STATE AND local spending has been growing at a rate of 5% to 6% over the past several years. Now local government spending has plunged 2% due to the recession. Taxes are at about their political maximum, so mayors and governors are prevented from increasing wages and retirement benefits by increasing taxes. But, the public employee is hurt by inflation, just like everyone else. This squeeze could cause some serious labor strife in 1976.

The Governor of Connecticut's attempt to extend the work week from 35 hours to 40 hours for state workers was defeated. The economy move would have saved the state \$8 million in overtime costs. The public employees' union in Connecticut claimed that the savings estimate was exaggerated and threatened a strike. The legislature killed the proposal, so now the governor has laid off 500 workers and more than 6,000 workers will be off the state payroll by mid-1976. New York is threatening to

dismiss 10,000 workers, Pennsylvania has announced that 2,000 workers will be fired, Delaware has ordered an 8% reduction in spending by state agencies even if firing employ-

ees is the only way to do it, and Massachusetts cut the budget \$300 million and expects to reduce 12% of state jobs by attrition over the next 10 years. New York City has fired 35,000 workers; Detroit has fired 500 and may increase the number to 3,000. In California, 650 transportation workers saved their jobs by taking a 10% pay cut and a 35 hour work week instead of a 40 hour week.

The layoff trend hasn't hit the South, Southwest and West, however. State and local jobs actually increased in those states by 100,000 from July to November.

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- The area over or within which equipment may be operated shall include portions of these counties: Hale, Lamb, Castro, Swisher, Briscoe, Floyd, Crosby, Lubbock, Hockley, Randall, Deaf Smith and Parmer.
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- The equipment, materials, and methods to be used in conducting the operation are a weather radar system, cloud seeding aircraft and flares and liquid silver iodide generators for dispensation of silver iodide nuclei near cloud base.
- The person who will be in control and in charge of the operation will be H. Robert Swart.
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By Ace Reid



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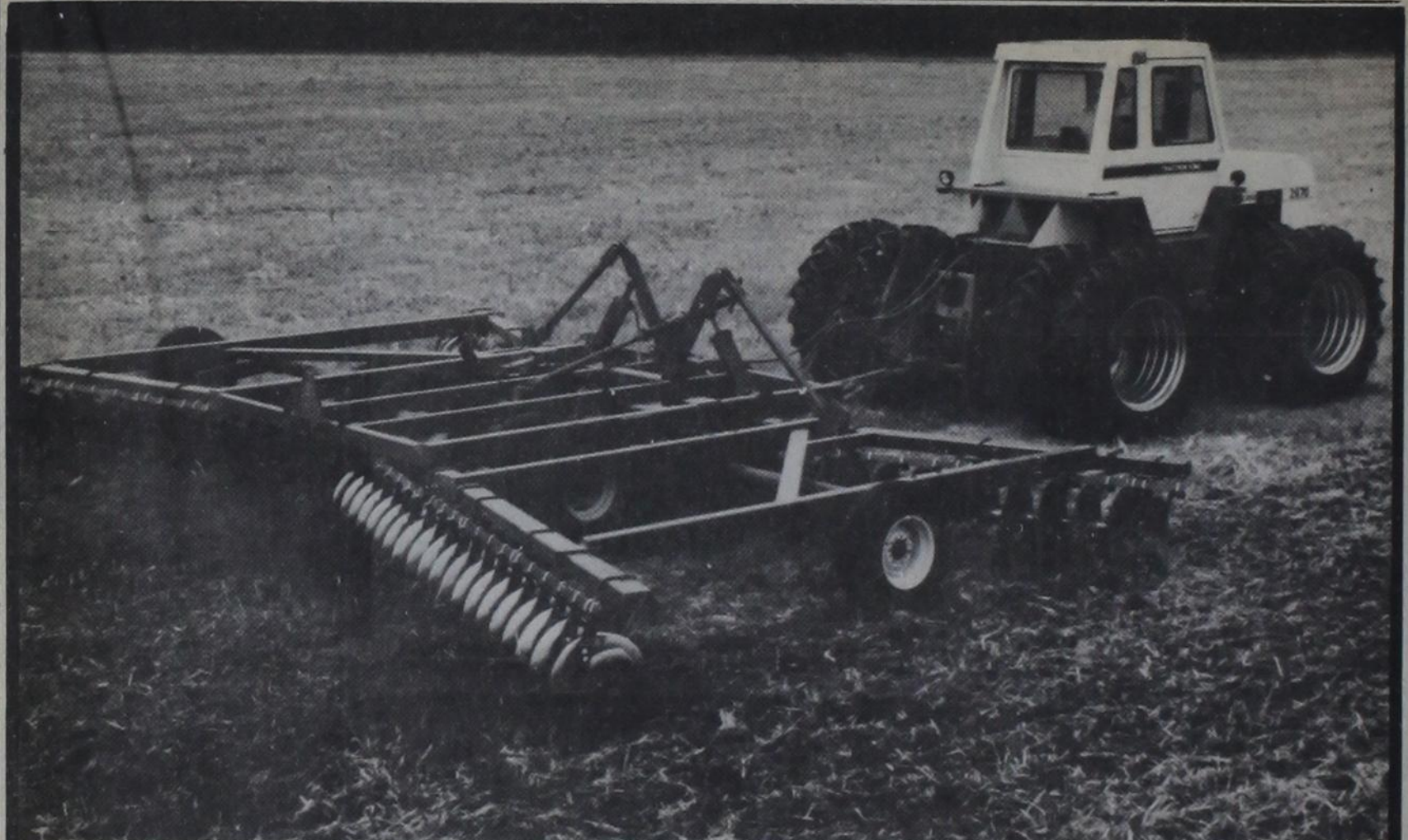
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Music and play highlight annual Christmas program

By TEENY BOWDEN

The annual Christmas program was presented to the church Sunday night under the direction of Mrs. R. J. Lefevre. The music was under the direction of Carl Bradley. The church choir sang the carols with special music by Mrs. Gale Sadler, pianist; Cindy Sadler, flutist; Sudan Sadler, autoharp. Danean Wilson sang "Love Came Down," Gerald Elkins, Lonnie Wilson and Carl Bradley sang "We Three Kings of Orient Are." Cast of the play, "Unto Us," included Cinnamon Cox, Mary; Kent Bradley, Joseph; Chris Elkins, Isaiah; Brandon Cox, Billy Seiver, Leland and Elizabeth Abbe, shepherds; Kelby Bradley, Richard Rodriguez, Isidro Rodriguez, kings; Jack Bradley, Sharon Bradley, Kyle Bradley, Melody Sadler, Karla Sadler, Jana Waggoner, Stacy Waggoner, Janie Yberra, Betty Yberra, Brook Seiver, angels. Readers were Mrs. John Seiver and Mrs. Lonnie Wilson. Technicians for lights and sound were Hershel Wilson, Gale Sadler and David Sadler. Mrs. Hershel Wilson had charge of costumes. Directors of the children were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bradley, Mrs. Embree Roy Sadler, Mrs. Jimmy Waggoner, Mrs. Carl Bradley, Mrs. Thomas Parson and Mrs. Raymond Jones. Rev. Raymond Jones led the benediction.

FOLLOWING the services Sunday night a going away fellowship was held in fellowship hall honoring Mr. and Mrs. John Seiver, Billy and

Brooke who moved to Hereford Saturday. They were presented a money tree. Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Jones were also presented their Christmas gift which was money to add to their luggage needs.

Word was received this week that Mr. and Mrs. Travis Deering, the former Debbie Morgan, have recently become parents of twin girls, Stefanie Talor, 5 pounds, 7 ounces, and Cherish A'llan, five pounds, 14 ounces. They live in Irving.

Better Weather Board of Directors voted in a meeting in Earth Monday night to enter the hail suppression program for 1976. Jackie Clark, Gale Sadler and L. B. Bowden attended the meeting. Mr. Clark was appointed to the executive board.

Mrs. R. V. Bills and Jerry Ray Hampton served on the petit jury in Dimmitt this week, Monday afternoon and Tuesday and Wednesday mornings.

THE LIONS Club had a special Christmas supper at the community building Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Loudder and Mrs. Embree Roy Sadler attended the Christmas party at South Hills Manor in Dimmitt Tuesday night for the residents of the home.

Mrs. Gerald Graham, Tommy and Michael, Mrs. Ray Joe Riley, Kevin and Jodie, Mrs. Jerry Ray Hampton, Dina Jo, Belinda, Tommy and Duke, Lynn Brown, and Ray Lynn Owens were among the five carload Springlake-Earth 4-H members who took a Christmas program to the residents of Amherst Manor after school Monday. They sang carols and Christmas poems were recited by Michael Graham and Kevin Riley. They took Christmas gifts to each of the residents of the home.

Mr. and Mrs. Gale Sadler hosted a Christmas party Friday night for members of the young adult Sunday school class in their home. Sixteen were present for the party.

MR. AND MRS. Cliff Brown, Lee and Lynn and Gale Jones attended the Tide Christmas party in Littlefield Friday night.

Cindy Sadler attended the Kiwanis Club Christmas party in Dimmitt Monday night.

Cindy and Susan Sadler attended the Thespian Christmas party and bowed in Amarillo Saturday night. They had supper in the home of Mrs. Truman Touchstone in Dimmitt before going to Amarillo.

Belinda Hampton, Lynn Brown, Joe Fulfer, Lee Brown, Gale and Sharon Jones, Tommy Graham, Kelly Haydon, Danean Wilson and Clint Dawson participated with the high school band and several of the other community children par-

icipated in the other bands, choirs and choruses in the Springlake-Earth Band Christmas concert at the school Wednesday night. Several from the community attended.

Mrs. Cliff Brown attended the monthly DAR meeting and "Good Citizen" tea in Hereford Thursday afternoon. Her guests were Mrs. C. C. Goodwin and Fonda of Dimmitt.

LAST WORD from Rev. M. D. Durham was that the treatments he is taking are making him quite ill.

Noah Spencer took his dialysis Tuesday on his home unit and will begin training for home use soon. R. V. Bills took him Saturday.

Rev. Glen Smith of Springlake had dinner Monday with Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Jones.

Baptist Women's council met Tuesday morning with the president, Mrs. Raymond Jones, in charge. Mrs. L. B. Bowden taught the fifth chapter of the Baptist women's manual.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Gibson of Weatherford visited last Wednesday with Mrs. Ima Blewett and Jerry Ray Hampton.

MRS. RUBY Wolf of Santa Fe spent the day Wednesday with her niece, Mr. and Mrs. Embree Roy Sadler.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Thomp-

VETERANS' SERVICES

By BEDFORD W. SMITH
County Service Officer

Our office will be closed the remainder of Christmas week, but will be open again Tuesday. I can be reached for needed services at home, phone 647-4368, on Dec. 29 and 30.

WE HAVE received word from the Veterans Land Board at Austin that because of the tremendous increase for farm loans by Texas veterans that the available funds are now exhausted.

Also, since the bond market is now experiencing some of the highest rates in history, the Land Board will wait a while to sell additional approved bonds so that veterans using these low-interest loans by the state will not be penalized with higher rates.

Bob Armstrong, chairman of the Veterans Land Board, underlined the following statement temporarily suspending loans after Dec. 31, 1975:

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The Land Board's address is Austin, Texas 78701.

NURSE at our hospital was assigned to duty in private rooms—she was too cute for wards.

son and boys of Hobbs spent Friday night with their aunt Mrs. Goldie Thompson.

Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Jones visited with Mr. and Mrs. Noble Armstrong in Dimmitt Friday afternoon.

Cindy and Susan Sadler attended the Dimmitt FHA Christmas party after school last Wednesday.

MR. AND MRS. Cliff Brown, Lee and Lynn had an early Christmas dinner with the Brown family Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Brown and Christmas supper with the Breedlove family in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bob Swinney.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sadler, Carrie, Stacy and Laura left after school Friday for a skiing trip to Colorado with Mr. and Mrs. Chad Winsor of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Wilson and Danean participated with the "Singing Disciples" in the services at First Church, Groom, Sunday morning. They also entertained at a medical meeting in Groom Saturday night.

Lee Brown, Kelly Haydon, Joe Fulfer, Clint Dawson and Gale Jones were among the 24 Springlake-Earth students who were voting delegates to the annual convention of District V South Plains Association of Student Councils at South Plains College last Wednesday.

Michael Graham was chosen the boy student of the week at Springlake-Earth this week.

BERT FULFER SP/5 arrived Nov. 27 to spend a leave of absence with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fulfer of the El Paso Natural Gas Camp. He has been on duty with the Army stationed in Kitzgen, Germany, and will return to duty Jan. 5.

Gale Jones and the Springlake-Earth Wolverettes came out with a second place trophy in the Springlake-Earth tournament. They won over Lazbuddie 46-36 and over Hart 40-39. They lost to Farwell 38-31.

Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Waggoner and Jason of Houston arrived Saturday to spend Christmas week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Waggoner and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Waggoner, Stacy and Jana.

Alan Shive of Dimmitt and Shelly Brownfield of Del City spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Noah Spencer and Lyle and attended the morning services with them Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Wilson moved into their new home south of Sunnyside Thursday.

MR. AND MRS. Roy Phelan visited with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Phelan in the Littlefield hospital Sunday afternoon. Earl Phelan was admitted Saturday with a back ailment and went into traction Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Parson and family visited Sunday afternoon. The children spent Saturday night with them and attended the Sunday morning

services with them.

Wendy and Lesa Wilson left after school Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with their mother in Kansas.

Mrs. Noah Spencer visited with her mother, Mrs. V. E. Bearden of Hart and took her to Plainview Saturday.

MR. AND MRS. Noah Spencer visited in Hereford last Wednesday night with Mrs. Ann Lay and sons.

Mike Jones was home Sunday from ENMU at Portales for the Christmas holidays.

Gene Carson came in Satur-

day from Idaho for the Christmas holidays and Resa Carson came in from Denver Saturday for the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. LaRue Magness of Austin also spent Saturday night with them and Mrs. Lillian Carson. They all and Marilyn Muse of Hereford had dinner at the home of the Annen family at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Edd Carson in Hart Sunday.

MRS. LILLIAN Carson attended the Christmas cantata at the First Baptist Church in Hart with the Carsons Sunday night. Joe Edd Carson par-

ticipated in the cantata.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dean Carson and Deakon spent the weekend in Denver City with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Buford Newton for an early Christmas dinner and tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Hasley and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jones of Dimmitt, Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Waggoner and Jason of Houston, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Waggoner attended a birthday party in the Jimmy Waggoner home Sunday afternoon honoring Jimmy and Stacy Waggoner.

Lee Brown and Joe Fulfer

and the Springlake-Earth varsity team lost to Spade at Spade Thursday night.

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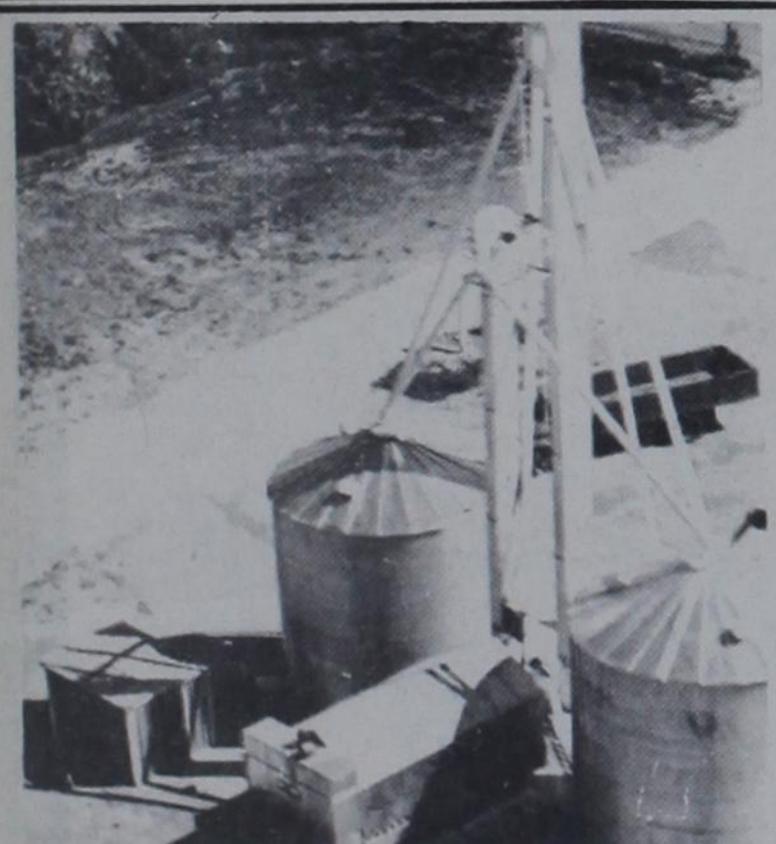
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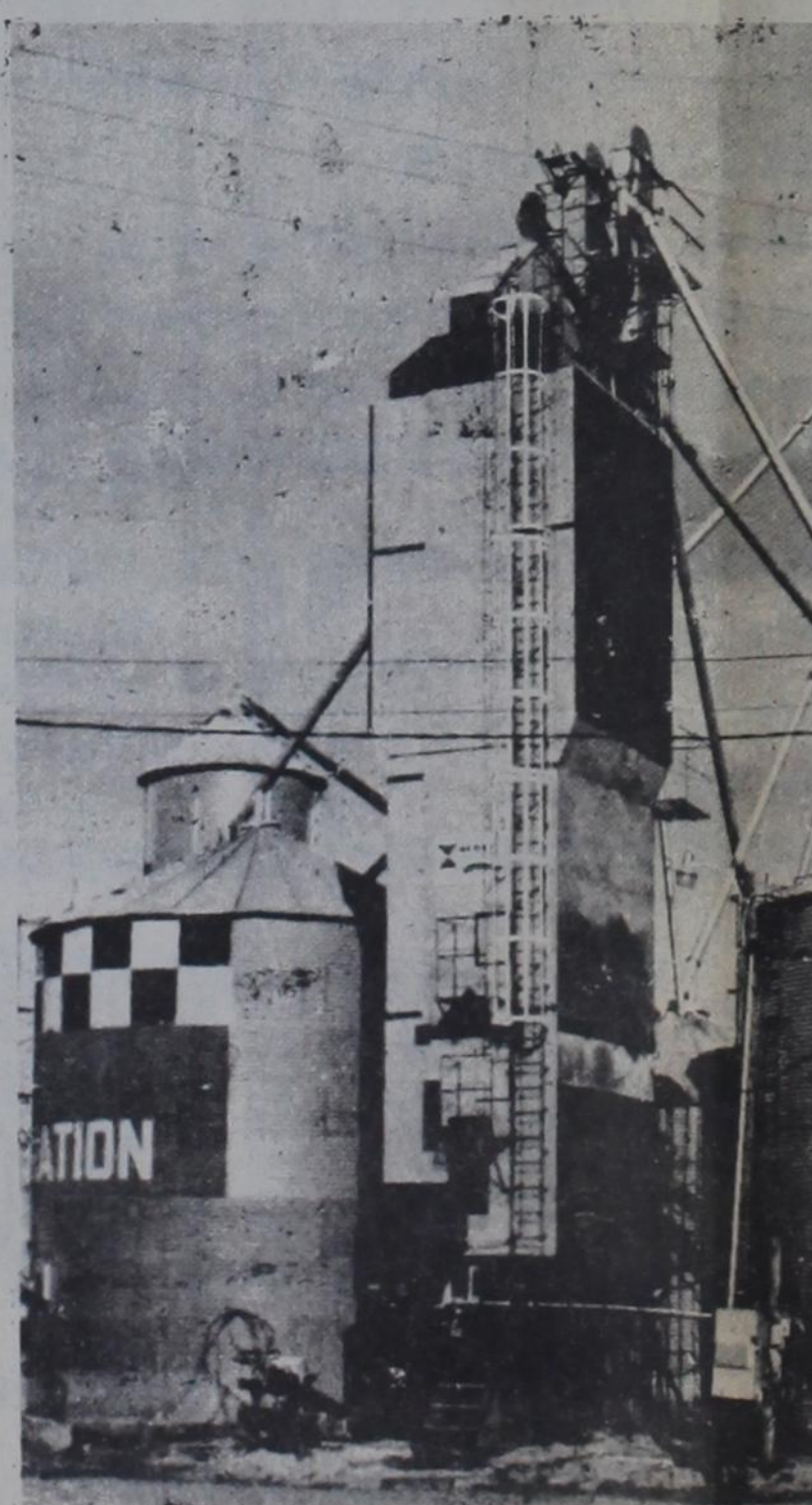
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Frio Christmas parties spark holidays

By MRS. OWEN ANDREWS
[Delayed from last week]

Christmas parties have started, with two special ones last week. On Tuesday evening the ladies of Frio Homemakers Club met at the home of Mrs. D. F. Yandell. Mrs. Harlan Barber was assisting hostess. During the time of fellowship the women shared briefly from happy experiences of the past, and after the exchange of gifts for secret pals they each told of expected plans for this Christmas season. New pals were drawn and a refreshment table of holiday goodies were served by the hostesses. Those attending included Miss Alma Andrews and Mmes. Elton Forberry, Annie Springer, T. L. Sparkman Jr., J. E. Warrick,

Annie Lee Dobbins, Eugene Baldwin, Tommy Sparkman, Frank Robbins, Owen Andrews, Billy Warrick, James Bullard, Weldon Stephan, Tony Urbanczyk, A. T. Jones, Lloyd Schultz, Herbert Bruns, Jack Andrews and Jerry Richardson.

ON FRIDAY evening the Tommy Sparkman home was the scene of a Christmas tea. Beginning early in the evening guests came and left during appointed hours. The hostesses included the Tommy Sparkmans, the Jerry Richardsons, the Eugene Baldwins and their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Sparkman Jr. The hostesses, wearing identical printed formal gowns, and their husbands greeted guests and served holiday refreshments from the Christmas decorated table. The house and grounds were abundantly lighted and garlanded in the holiday manner. About 100 persons called at the Sparkman home during the evening.

The RA group of boys from Frio Baptist Church visited South Hills Manor at Dimmitt on Sunday and took Christmas

decorations which they had made to be hung on the doors of residents in the Manor. Their sponsor Tommy Sparkman and Mrs. Sparkman took them. Boys going were Chad Stephan, Scotty Robbins, Brett Baldwin, Kevin and Kirk Sparkman.

SUNDAY school suppers and parties are also on the agenda this week. Two adult classes will have suppers in local restaurants this week. Also on Friday evening the Clark Andrews will host members and guests of the three older adult Sunday school classes in their home with supper and games afterward. Saturday evening

church Young People, sponsored by leaders Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Andrews, Kenneth Frye and Norman Harder, went to Amarillo for supper in a restaurant and bowling during the evening.

Christmas Eve will be observed in the usual way, with a program at the church, to be followed by Santa's appearance and treats and gifts for everyone. This is a community observance and has continued since as far back as pioneer days here at Frio.

THE CHURCH choir will present Christmas selections Sunday evening, Dec. 21.

Mrs. Andy Axe has been to visit her daughter Mrs. Tommy Needham, Rev. Needham and family. Of special interest is the two-week-old daughter Christina Ruth, and of course the two young sons of the Needhams.

Mrs. George Parker moved to Hereford a few days ago. She sold the Parker place a mile south of town. The new address is 224 Greenwood. Her children the Patrices and Yandells and grandchildren the Johnny Robinsons moved her things and she is getting settled in.

The Coles report that their daughter and son-in-law the Sol D'Amatos are moving into Oklahoma City from Stillwater. He will be in training with an Oklahoma City construction business in the sales department.

MRS. M. L. SIMPSON of Hereford accompanied her son Bob Simpson to Nevada, Mo. to visit her brother Finis Hunter, who is seriously ill. They went to Albuquerque enroute to get her daughters who went with them also. They flew with Bob as pilot.

Mrs. Roy Robinson of Tahoka visited her son's family the Johnny Robinsons several days last week. While she was here Johnny and Rose went with a group of persons from Hereford who attended the National Aerial Applicators Convention at Las Vegas, Nev. Mrs. Robinson stayed with the Robinson's children Gregg and Staci. Mr. and Mrs. Olin Parris also went with the group of about 20 from Hereford.



[Compiled from the Community Birthday Calendars of the County Home Demonstration Council and the Nazareth American Legion Auxiliary.]

DEC. 25 - Charles Wales, David Lust, Jean Marie Wilhelm, Art Brockman, Keith Birkenfeld.

DEC. 26 - Danny Bruton, Brenda Hoelting, Darrell Huseman.

DEC. 27 - J'Lyn Ryan, Oleta Sanders, Shelly Kim Watts, Larry Driver, Joy Ringwald, Lydia Gerber, Jenny Huseman, Debbie Hochstein, Dennis Gerber, Kent Hoelting, Mark Huseman and Clyde Schulte.

DEC. 28 - Suzan Collins, Beatrice Acker, Carol Bagwell, Buster Tidwell, Cyrilla Brockman, Mark Kleman.

DEC. 29 - Resa Carson, Sarita Cleavinger, Joe Collins, Brice Goldsmith, Kevin Paul Acker.

DEC. 30 - Carla Summers, Randy Fry, Ronnie Huseman.

DEC. 31 - Connie Ivey, Lacy Driver, Rickey Bagwell, Randy Bagwell, Sheree Wagner, Dorothy Pohlmeier, Krista Ehlly, Carla Reinhardt.
JAN. 1 - Charles Lane.

Jobs provided by ag exports

Many Americans are gainfully employed, thanks to the abundance of agricultural products that are shipped abroad.

"AGRICULTURAL exports provided jobs for more than a million people last year," points out a marketing economist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"The big business of exporting agricultural commodities provided jobs directly or indirectly for an estimated 1.2 million people," notes Dr. Russell McDonald.

Half a million of these jobs were held by farmers—about 14 percent of all the farmers in the United States.

Jobs in the nonfarm sector that stem from agricultural exports included some 50,000 in food processing, 300,000 in trade and transportation, 100,000 in manufacturing and 200,000 in other services.

TEXAS TALK

By Jim Hays

With 1975 now fading into time's own special oblivion we call history it is appropriate to pause for a moment . . . to use this particular segment of time and space to thank customers, friends and readers for your business, your comments about the column and most of all for your friendship. Hopefully during 1975 the information presented here each week has furthered the one and only purpose of this column: to make us all more aware of the importance of agriculture . . . important not only to our town and county but to our country and to our world. You have our very best wishes for all your family this holiday season and our sincere hope for the proverbial Happy New Year . . . may it be your happiest ever! Thank you for reading.

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Nazareth

Big crowds attend Christmas Pageant

By MRS. AGNES BROCKMAN

The Christmas Pageant was presented Wednesday and Friday nights of last week and good crowds attended. We noticed a number of our friends there from surrounding towns and were happy to have them. It was very touching and was enjoyed by all. The final presentation was Tuesday night.

THE WEATHER here is quite nice for this time of year, rather cold at times, but very little wind, and still no moisture.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Hoelting, Andrew Miller and Geneva Miller from Plainview attended Mrs. Hoelting's and Andrew's sister's funeral last week in Scott City, Kan. Mrs. Mary Champion died in Hosington, Kan. but was buried at Scott City.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Braddock and family of Morton visited relatives in Nazareth over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Venhaus spent last weekend in Dumas visiting with relatives.

THE HOME and School Association held their monthly meeting Monday evening. The FHA girls put on the program, which was rather comical and enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wilhelm attended the Band Concert at West Texas State last Sunday.

Mrs. Alphonsa Huseman had her annual Christmas party Sunday for all her family at the home of Mrs. Hilda Birkenfeld.

THE SCHOOL entertained with their annual band concert at the school cafeteria Sunday afternoon. Following the concert the FHA girls sponsored a Tasting Tea at the home economics room. A nice crowd attended and enjoyed the goodies.

The secret granddaughters had a party for their secret grandmothers Friday afternoon. Games were played and cookies and punch were served, also gifts exchanged. A good time was enjoyed by all.

Here's wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas, and a blessed and happy new year.

Smithson tells Rotary of Atlanta symposium

Howard Smithson, Dimmitt farmer who is completing a term as president of the Young Farmers of Texas, told Rotary Club members at their luncheon Friday about his recent trip

to the National Young Farmers Symposium on Agriculture at Atlanta, Ga.

HE PRESENTED the speech which he made there in competition with 14 others from over the nation.

As a state president, Smithson has served on the executive committee of the national organization. He returned from Atlanta last Wednesday night.

His contest speech was titled "Farm Food and Fiber," and he defined an American farmer as a combined financier, scientist and gambler who accepted the challenge of feeding all the people of the United States and a great many in the rest of the world.

Weaving in statistics, he said farmers total about four percent of the US population, and are working with a dwindling supply of land, but they produce enough that one in four jobs in the nation is based on agriculture.

IN 1820, Smithson said, a farmer produced enough food for himself and three others. But today the American farmer produces enough for 51 others, compared with the Soviet farmer who feeds five others besides himself, and the farmer in India, who produces enough for four others.

He emphasized the importance to farmers of the export market in farm products and the need to feed hungry people all over the world, saying "It's better to feed than to fight the hungry."

Farmers usually get the housewife's blame when she must pay higher food prices, but farmers are only a part of the total picture in getting food to the supermarket shelves, Smithson concluded, quoting the slogan, "Don't cuss the American farmer with your mouth full."

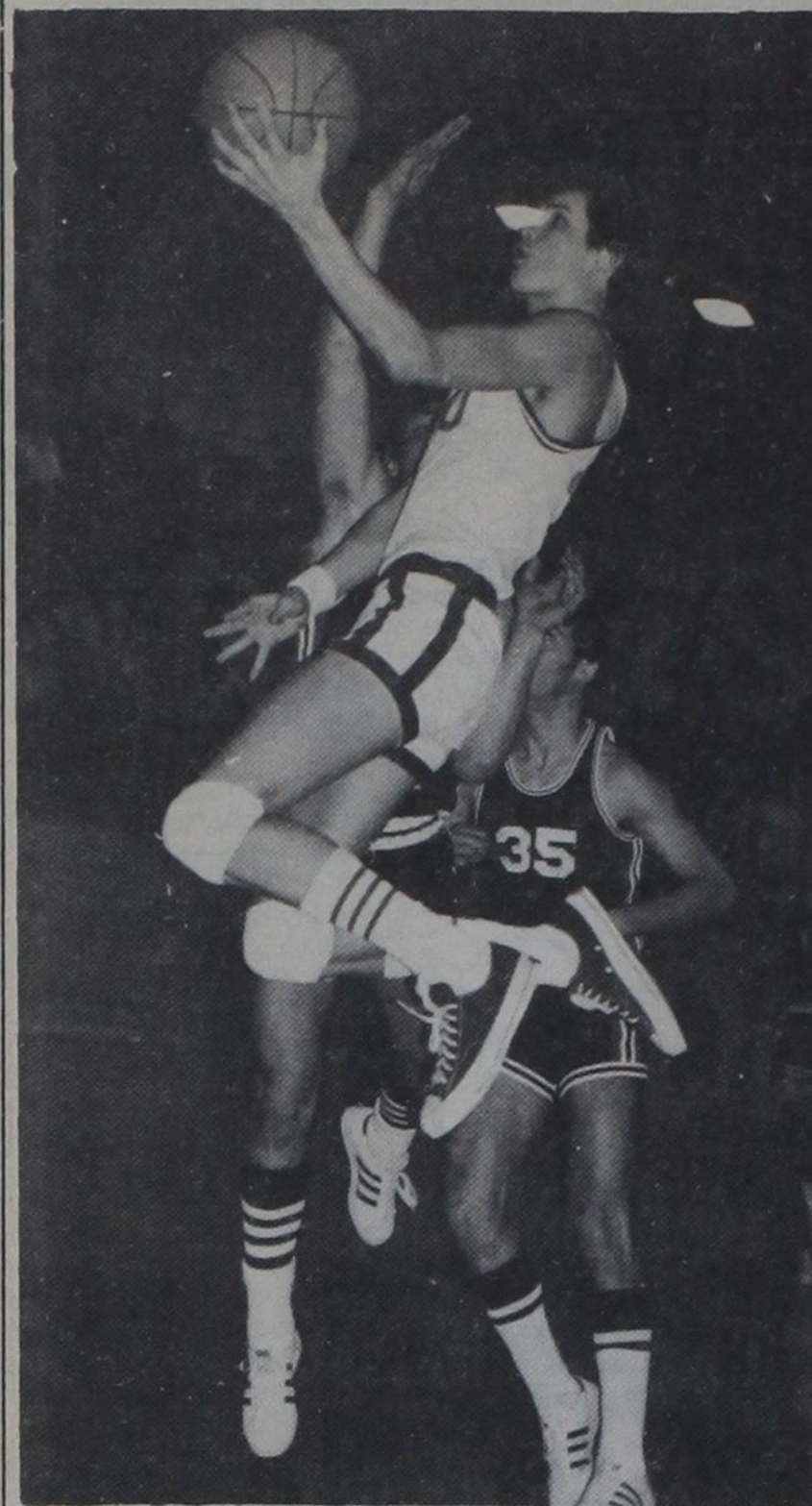
Announcement was made that the next Rotary meeting will be Jan. 2, after the Christmas holidays.

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Raymond Hinshaw
Lucy Kemp
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Modesta Sandoval
Lula Scott
Teddy Smithson
Jan Weatherford

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Stephen McCown
Peggy Webb
Allan Webb
Danny Vaughn
W. E. Grant
Billie Sue Maddox
Peggy Cooper
Diana Gutierrez
Ora Nunnally
R. E. Catoe
Lena Maples
Irene Bradley
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Paula O'Brian
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AIRBORNE—Dimmitt's Jerry Schaeffer leaps goalward to lay up a two-pointer against the Post Antelopes here Friday night. The Bobcats defeated the visiting Post lads, 51-38, to extend their season record to 15 wins against no losses.

(Photo by David Nelson)



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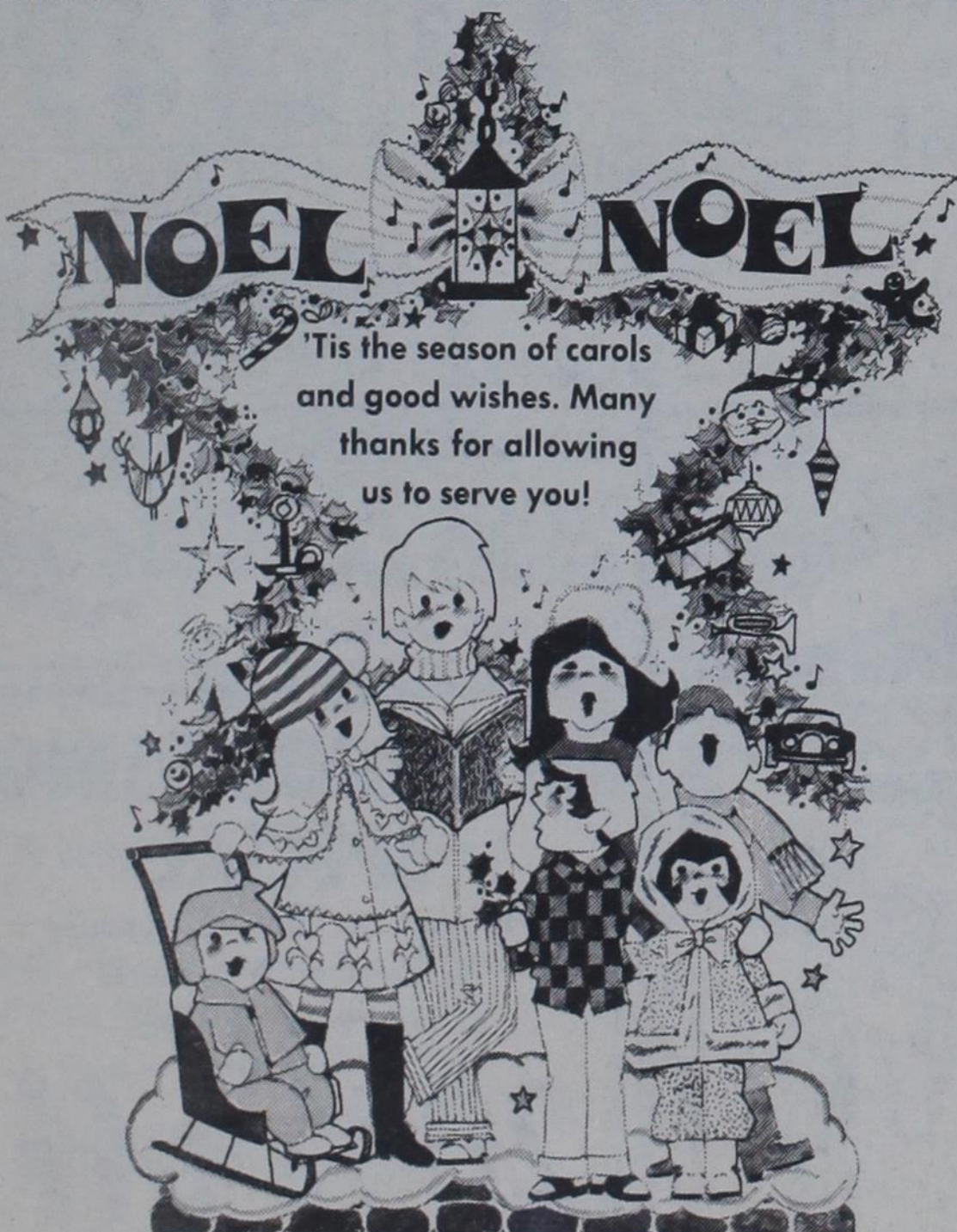
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Rural traffic toll at zero for November

The Texas Highway Patrol investigated six accidents on rural highways in Castro County during the month of November, according to Sgt. J. R. Smith, Highway Patrol supervisor of this area.

THESE CRASHES resulted in no deaths and no injuries.

The rural traffic accident summary for this county during the first 11 months of 1975 shows a total of 90 accidents resulting in nine persons killed and 36 persons injured.

Probation is revoked

Probation of Rolando Martinez, 20, was revoked by order of District Judge John T. Boyd in a hearing last week.

MARTINEZ was on probation from a three-year sentence for forgery, imposed Oct. 1.

Probation Officer Rex Cowart filed for revocation after Martinez was convicted on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Judge Boyd's order reduced Martinez's sentence to two years and ordered him to serve the remainder of the term in the state prison at Huntsville.



MAINTENANCE CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISOR J. B. MOORE
... Honored by fellow workers at party Friday night

Moore, Gunn retire from Highway Dept.

J. B. Moore and Robert H. "Peter" Gunn, retiring employees of the Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation in the Castro County Section, were honored by fellow workers at the annual department Christmas party here Friday night.

DOYLE L. Wassom, who comes from Bovina Jan. 1 to succeed Moore as Maintenance Construction Supervisor II, was introduced at the party.

Moore's retirement will take effect Dec. 31 and he begins his terminal vacation Dec. 24. He and his wife, Thelma, will continue to make their home in Dimmitt.

A native of Palestine, Tex.

Moore attended public schools in Hollis, Okla. His first work with the Texas Highway Department was as a semi-skilled laborer in the Castro County Maintenance Section.

HE HAS worked in various capacities including Assistant Maintenance Construction Foreman and then foreman, before his present post.

Wassom has been Assistant Maintenance Foreman at Bovina, and has worked 15 years in the Farmer County Maintenance Section. He has a son, Danny, 12.

Gunn's retirement is to be effective Dec. 31 also, as Crew Chief III after 15 years here.

SPC to offer courses here

Evening college classes in three subjects will be offered next semester at Dimmitt Middle School by the Division of Continuing Education at South Plains College, Levelland, the college has announced.

THE CLASSES will begin Jan. 13, and registration is scheduled at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12.

Courses will include Masterpieces of Literature (Eng 232-40) from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Mondays; US History Since 1865 (Hst 232-40) the same hours Tuesdays; College Composition and Rhetoric (Eng 132-40) Thursdays.

South Plains College also is offering courses at Muleshoe and Littlefield.

Offered at Muleshoe are classes in Basic Accounting II (BV 239-45) and Child Growth and Development (Psy 233-45) both on Mondays; Masterpieces of Literature (Eng 231-45) Tuesdays; American Government, Organization (Gov 231-45) Thursdays, all from 7 to 10 p.m.

Littlefield classes include Business Math (BV 135-70) and History of US to 1865 (Hst 231-70) both from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Mondays; Introduction to Sociology (Soc 230-70) from 7 to 10 p.m. Tuesdays; Basic Accounting I (BV 238-70) from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursdays.

FURTHER information may be obtained from the office of Don Yarbrough, dean of continuing education at SPC. The telephone number is 894-4921, ext. 253.

Families enjoy church social

The first Christmas fellowship social for families in the Dimmitt Church of the Nazarene was held in the Derrel Musick home following a program at the church Sunday evening.

HOLIDAY goodies were served during the informal hour to Rev. and Mrs. Jim Hedrick, Messrs. and Mmes. Sam Scarborough, Everette Wiley, Joe Young, Vernon Hasley, Randy Gilliland, Guy Leatherwood, Ken Barstow and David Musick and families.

Also to Mmes. Leon Gilliland and Mike Meyers and children; Ezekiel Garcia, Noel and Bee Gonzales.

Merry Christmas to all



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PLAINS MEMORIAL
Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Maddox of Dimmitt are the parents of a boy, Clayton Britch. Born Dec. 17 at 9:12 a.m., he weighed 8 pounds, 7 1/2 ounces.

OUT OF TOWN
Granddaughter of Dimmitt residents, Michelle Dawn Wylie, was born Dec. 14 at Eules. The 7 pound 3 ounce girl is the daughter of Loy and Patricia Wylie of that city. Paternal grandparents are the Oscar Wylies of Dimmitt and maternal grandparents the Jim Hales of Hereford.

AF course is finished

Airman Rodney E. Huseman, son of Emil J. Huseman of Nazareth, has graduated at Chanute AFB, Ill., from the US Air Force jet engine mechanic course conducted by the Air Training Command.

THE AIRMAN, now trained to inspect and repair turbojet and gas turbine engines, is being assigned to Castle AFB, Calif., for duty with a unit of the Strategic Air Command.

Airman Huseman is a 1975 graduate of Nazareth High School.

Doris Chavers has name on honor roll

Doris Jean Chavers, student at the Mid-Continent Campus of Texas State Technical Institute at Amarillo, has been named to the vice-president's honor roll.

TO PLACE on this roll, a 3.5 grade average must be maintained.

The Dimmitt student is majoring in cosmetology. She is the daughter of Mollie Porter, Route 4.

Committee recommends 'no rezoning'

"Intense opposition of residents" in the neighborhood was cited by City Zoning Commission members in making a negative recommendation to the City Commission this week regarding rezoning of lots in the Miller Addition to allow construction of multiplex homes.

THE CITY Commission will act on the recommendation at its next meeting, Jan. 15. A public hearing on the rezoning proposal was held Oct. 7 by the Zoning Commission, and more than 60 residents of the northwest Dimmitt neighborhood appeared to protest the plan to rezone the single-family area to permit construction of duplex and triplex dwellings.

PLANS WERE for construction of brick duplex and triplex homes to be rented to lower-income families and retired persons. Rents were to range from \$90 for efficiency apartments to \$195 for three-bedroom units. The protesting residents said the rezoning would downgrade the neighborhood by opening it to all types of apartments.

Church is out of city again

Reversing its action of Nov. 20, Dimmitt's City Commission has repealed Ordinance 327 which provided for the annexation of the First Christian Church property on Western Circle Drive. THIS WAS apparently the first time in the city's history for an annexed area to be de-annexed.

The repeal action came at the church's request. After the annexation was approved, an inspection showed that electrical installations in the new church did not meet city specifications. Romex wiring was used instead of conduit.

PARENTS of small children should beware of mistletoe—its berries are poisonous, Mrs. Ilene Miller, family life education specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, says.

Cats win two, but Mulettes upset Bobbies

Dimmitt's undefeated Bobcats tied two more knots in their victory string during the week with victories over Post and Muleshoe. But Jack Frost nipped the Bobbies Monday night as they lost at Muleshoe in their first non-tournament defeat of the year.

THE BOBCATS whipped the visiting Post Antelopes Friday night by a 51-38 count as Jim Birdwell paced the attack with 21 points.

The Bobbies followed suit Friday, breezing to a 65-51 victory over the Post girls as Joyce Wooten notched 30 points, Beth Cleveland 13 and Kathy Wales 12.

Visiting Muleshoe Monday night, the Bobcats extended their season record to 16-0 by downing the Mules for the second time this year, 69-48.

BIRDWELL burned the nets for 32 points while Keith Crum scored 10, and Johnny Hampton turned in a good game with 12 points and 18 assists and steals.

The Bobcats were playing without the services of post forward Danny Vaughan, who missed his third game because of a broken blood vessel. But Birdwell and Jerry Schaeffer came up with 10 rebounds each to help the Bobcats control the boards. Every boy on the squad except Vaughan saw action.

FOR THE Bobbies, though, Monday night's Muleshoe game was "a nightmare," Coach Sam Nichols said. The Bobbies lost to the Mulettes by a 51-46 count to alter their season mark to 13-3.

"Our girls only hit 29 percent of their shots from the floor, and we had 25 turnovers," Nichols lamented after tallying the game's statistics. "Our girls got the shots we usually get, but they just wouldn't go."

Leading Dimmitt's scoring were Cleveland with 19 and Wales with 16.

Dimmitt's junior varsity teams also split their games at Muleshoe, with the boys winning and the girls losing.

IN OTHER games during the past week, the Bobcats and Bobbies both scored repeat victories over Tullia; Dimmitt's jayvee boys defeated Bovina's varsity 59-46 last Thursday; and the DHS freshman girls extended their season mark to 7-2 by downing Olton 60-26.

Walter Hyatt services held

Funeral services were conducted last Wednesday in Beaver, Okla., for Walter H. Hyatt, 73, former Castro County resident and brother of two Dimmitt women.

LAST RITES were in the United Methodist Church of Beaver, with Rev. Darrel Hardy officiating.

Mr. Hyatt died Dec. 15 in a Beaver hospital following a lengthy illness. A member of an early-day Castro County family, he was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James E. Hyatt.

Sisters residing here are Mrs. Dora Mooney and Mrs. Koma Ratcliff.

He owned and operated a tailor shop in Beaver many years but for the past 30 years had farmed and ranched west of that city. He was a member of the Methodist Church, a past president of the Chamber of Commerce and a Master Mason.

Survivors include his wife, Vesta; a daughter, Carolyn Neil of Littlefield; seven sisters, Mrs. Mable Kimbell of Portales, N.M., Mrs. Ruby Butler of Mesa, Ariz., Mrs. Katy Buckmaster and Mrs. Gladys McCrary of Texarkana, Tex.; Mrs. Mooney and Mrs. Ratcliff; three brothers, O. G. of Payson, Ariz., Oscar of Norwich, Kan., and Cecil of Albuquerque; and three grandchildren.



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We are proud of two of our community's Christmas traditions. One is the annual Nazareth Christmas Pageant, which we hope you were able to witness this year. The other is this Community Christmas Card, through which we wish a Merry Christmas to all our local friends. Instead of sending you an individual card, we have donated to this Community Christmas Card to benefit the Holy Family Parish Cemetery.

We hope that during this holy season you will witness once again the joy of this miraculous event, and the renewal of hope that it brings. Merry Christmas!

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Clarence Schultes
Mr. & Mrs. John Schacher and Family
Marie Hanson
Marvin and Darlene Schulte
Joe & Imogene Drerup and Children
Karen Schulte and Travis
Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Schacher
Christine Braddock
Leonard, Julia & Richard Birkenfeld
Mr. and Mrs. Joe King
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Edwin, Irene Huseman and Family
Lavern, Ronnie, Henry, Cecil, Stephen, Marybeth, Dorothy, Damian, Theresa, Robert Wilhelm
Robert, Mary Verkamp and Family
Vincent and Adeline Pohlmeier
Rose Warren
Lillian, Al and Tommy Cameron
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Schacher
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Drerup and Family
Raymond and Cecilia Annen and Claude
Mrs. Meta Stork
The Fred Acker Family
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson and Boys
George and Rita Book
Jim, Bobbie and Michael Schmucker
James Buxkemper

Tom and Raelene Hoelting
Rose Hindman
Ray and Mary Lou Schmucker and Children
Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Kleman and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Venhaus
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Huseman and Family
Brigetta Dobmeier, Richard and Glenn
Clyde and Lisa Schulte
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hartman and Family
The Louis Huseman Family
The Alvin Kleman Family
Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Schacher and Donna
Hilda Birkenfeld and Family
Mrs. Anna Ehly
Mr. and Mrs. David Acker and Family
The Jerome Brockman Family
Leo and Lynn Ehly
Carl Dean Kleman Family
Benedictine Sisters
The Al Maurer Family
Leslie, Kirsten and Bridget Birkenfeld
Herman Birkenfeld and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Tony Gerber
Mr. and Mrs. Louie Schacher
The Francis Gerber Family
Joe Lynn Birkenfeld and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Hoelting and Family
Lawrence and Lorene Birkenfeld
Dale and Mona Brockman
Sybil Steffens
The Al Schoenengers
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lange
Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Huseman and Family
The Dan Schmucker Family
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schulte
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schilling and Family
The Philip Husemans
Mrs. Philip Acker
J. C., Jocelyn and Jill Pohlmeier
Walter, Georgie Kleman and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hoelting
The Leonard Gerber Family
The Ray Schultes
Walt, Lucy and Kalina Pohlmeier
Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Braddock and Family

Paul Venhaus Family
Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brockman and Family
The Eugene Hochstein Family
Ed Ramaekers Family
Philip, Dora Pohlmeier and Family
Mrs. Frank Hoelting
Doris Hatla Family
Mr. and Mrs. Michael Gotch
Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Gerber and Family
Randy, Monette and Brandon Schilling
Charles and Chuck Birkenfeld
Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Hoelting
C. B. Wilhelm
Floyd Schulte Family
Hubert and Joan Backus and Boys
Mrs. Alphonse Huseman and Elmer
Leroy and Dorothy Pohlmeier, Jolene, Chelle and Lisa
Ralph and Sharon Brockman, Melissa and Jennifer
The James Wilhelm Family
Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hoelting and Family
Helen Backus
The Jim Hoeltings
John, Linda Smith and Shawn
Leonard, Rose Mary and Dean Wilhelm
Julius Birkenfeld
Lucy Leinen
Mrs. Agnes Brockman
Eugene Kern Family
Florence and Dorie Albracht
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Schmucker and Janet
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Albracht and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Carol Birkenfeld and Family
Charley, Beverly, Todd and Traci Hill
Rose Birkenfeld
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kleman
Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Schmucker
Larry and Win Wagner
The Jim Ball Family
Albert Gerber Family
The Walter Kern Family
Josephine, Urban and Fred Ball
Mary Harlan
Mr. and Mrs. Dicky Schacher and Son
Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hoelting and Family



Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa,
I want an evel Knievel stunt set and a batman and Robin set and a Hook and Ladder. Please bring Mom and Dad a nut cracker set.
Love,
Kenneth Paul Wilhelm

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a Chevrolet truck and a Farm Truck and an International Tractor and a disk and a plow. Bring Mother and Daddy what they want. Give something nice to my family. I love you.
Wade Drerup

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby Alive and an ice cream cone machine and a jewelry box and a cabinet for my doll clothes and a Mrs. Beasley doll. Bring Melinda a football. Bring Dad and Mother what they want.
Love,
Melissa Finley

Dear Santa,
I want an Evel Knievel Sky Canyon Cycle and a Motorized Auto Transport. I would also like a Vertibird Rescue ship. I love Rudolph and you! If you look on the table you will find some hay and cocoa.
Russell Acker

Merry Christmas,
This is Charlotte. I want a baby That-A-Way doll.
Love,
Charlotte Heck

Dear Sant,
I hope you hove a nice Christmas. I want a croquet set and a Kiddie City. Come to our Christmas Pageant.
Love,
Shawn Wilhelm.

Dear Santa,
I want a bike with training wheels. I want Etch A Sketch. I live in Nazareth. I love you.
Randy Hochstein

Dear Santa Claus,
I have tried to be a good boy. Will you please bring me a big wheel with a saddle bag and a racing brake. I also want a sled for me and my little brother Bobby. Could you also give me a crash-up-derby set. Please bring my 7 brothers and 2 sisters something nice. Be good to the poor people and help them have a Merry Christmas. Have a safe trip and God bless you.
Love,
Kenny Kern

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. For Christmas I would like to have a pickup and trailer with horses and a tractor with a plow to do my farming. Please bring all my brothers and sisters something. Don't forget Emaline in Yukon. Thank you Santa for the past years.
Craig Huseman

Dear Santa,
I wish you a Merry Christmas! I would like a Putt-Putt Speedway, and an electric train. Daddy needs a new Stetson and Mama wants a cake pan. Remember my teacher, too, because she's great! Bring Rudolph when you come!
Alan Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,
Please come to our house. I want a pistol and a rifle. I want a play horse and a live pony. And I want a toy bear. I try to be good.
Love,
David

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the first grade. Please bring me a fire truck, a Western Rifle and Double-Holster, and a Tool Belt, and a Target Set, Putt-Putt Railroad, Mighty Loader. Please bring my brothers and sister something too.
Merry Christmas,
Leroy Schulte.

Dear Santa,
I want a grain truck with cattle racks on it and tuff stuff. I want a toy movie camera, too. Please bring Daddy and the boys some C.B.s
Love,
Phillip Durbin

Dear Santa,
I want a pop gun and a tractor and a truck. Please bring Mama and Dad what they want.
Love,
Paul Bermea

Dear Santa Claus,
I will try to be nice. Will you bring me a walkie talkie and the 6 million dollar man and a race car track, a dinosaur book that opens. A rifle and a nerf football. Bring me and Traci bibles.
Thank you Love,
Todd Hill

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room. I am nine years old. For Christmas I want a Holly Hobby doll, a Groovy Snoopy viewer and some barbie doll clothes. Santa Clause I love you more than my Christmas candy you give me!
Your best friend,
Joyce Schilling

Dear Santa Clais,
Im in the third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room and my name is Stephen McCown. I don't want anything but whatever you bring me I will like.
Your friend,
Stephen McCown

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm in Mrs. Rattcliffs Third Grade room. I want a Barbie case and some Barbie clothes but best of all I want a picture of your dear Mrs. Claus and the deer flying in the air and your elves at work. I love you even if you are chubby.
Your friend,
Christina Hedrick

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room. I want a bicycle and football for Christmas. I am your friend.
Love,
Richard Lindsey

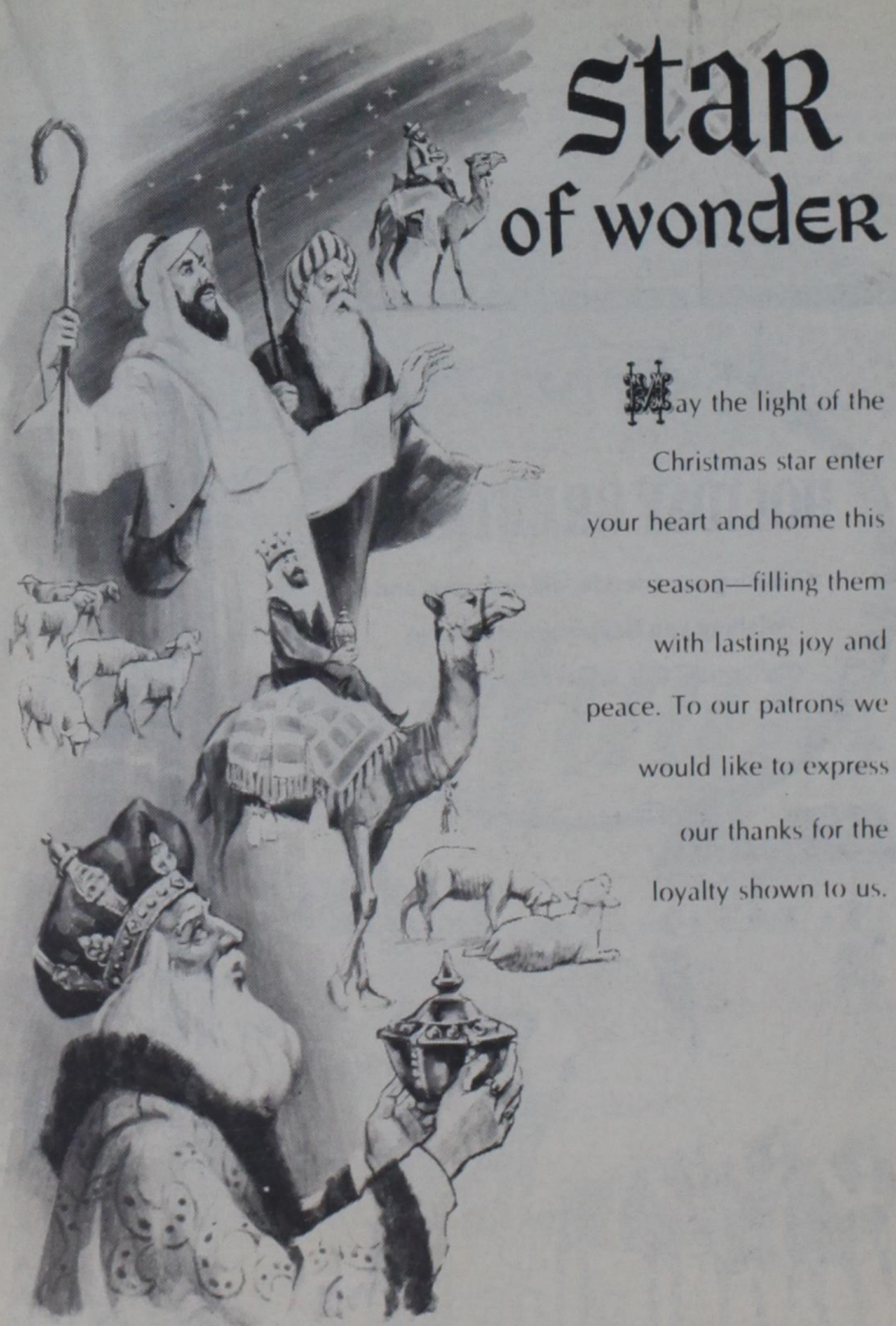
Dear Santa Claus,
I am in third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room. I want a mini-bike, rapes, walkie talkie, Rockum Sockum Robot and a B.B. gun.
Your friend,
Bobby Gill

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in Mrs. Ratcliffs room. I am a good girl and I want a TV, Sunshine Family Van, a baby, and a tap recordr. I know that the other gifts are at home.
Love,
Mimi Barrera

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room. I want you to get me a pocket size camra, and a doll that walks and talks. I want a Sunshine Family Van, a play T.V. that winds, and Stero. And I want a piano, and a bike too.
Your friend,
Maria Nifa Sanchez

Dear Santa,
I am in third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room. I want a stereo-8 track tape, five speed bike, picture of Rudolph and the elves, camera, Pay Day, basketball, C.B. radio, and Sunshine Family Van. I hope you are not sick on Christmas.
Love,
Kyla Boozer

Dear Santa,
I would like a baby That away, a Baby Dreams, a easy bake oven, a bike, and a sewing machine. Oh and a record player. Santa please don't forget what I want. Happy Christmas.
Love,
Nita Fowler



star of wonder

May the light of the Christmas star enter your heart and home this season—filling them with lasting joy and peace. To our patrons we would like to express our thanks for the loyalty shown to us.

H&S FARM SUPPLY
945-2225 2 Miles South of Nazareth on FM 168



HEROD'S SOLDIERS SEEK OUT FIRST-BORN MALES TO KILL
As Joseph and Mary flee to Egypt with baby Jesus

Dear Santa Claus



Dear Santa,
My nama is Norma Jean. I wish you will bring me a tetherball and a airpump and a toy stove? and don't forget my brothers and sisters want a chismas tree cannle? And my brothers want some trucks? Thank you Santa.
Love,
Norma Jean Valadez

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room. I want a bicycle, football, Atomic Man and Steve Austin. That's what I want for Christmas. I am your friend.
Your friend,
Refugio Leon

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the Third Grad in Mrs. Rattiffs room. I want a basketball for Christmas. Could you b ring a basketball that has red, white and blue. You are the nice Santa Claus.
Your friend,
Ignacia Sifuentez

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in third Grade. I am in Mrs. Ratcliff room. I have been good. I want a basketball, basketball goal and a ten speed bike.
Your friend,
Raul Ramos

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room. I want a guitar for Christmas. Would you please bring it to me?
Your friend,
Curtis Caniel

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in Third Grade in Mrs. Ratliffs room. I want a walking baby love's you, and a Sunshin family van and a Mickey Moues wath. Please Santa.
Your friend,
Larena Perez

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm glad you bring us toys. I want a skycicle, T.V., basket-ball, goal, Atomic man, and mini-bike.
Love,
James Parks

Dear Santa Claus,
I in third grade in Mrs. Ratcliffs room. I want you to get me a watch and a clock and a camera.
Your friend,
Dara Gonzalez

Dear Santa Claus,
I like you Santa Claus. I want a Rockum Sockum Robot. Oh, I forgot to introduce myself. My Name is Preston. I am in the third grade. My teacher's name is Mrs. Ratcliff. I want a pooltable. I guess that is what I want most.
Your friend,
Preston Newberry

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the third grade in Mrs. Ratcliffs room and I want a five-speed bike. I want a pool table and I want a Walkie Talkie. I love you.
Your friend,
Jimmy Glover

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the third grade in Mrs. Ratcliffs room. I want a walkie talkie, tape recorder, tapes, camera, and a picture of Rudolph. I love you very much and I hope you don't get stuck in a snow storm.
Love,
Dalona Sue Hudson

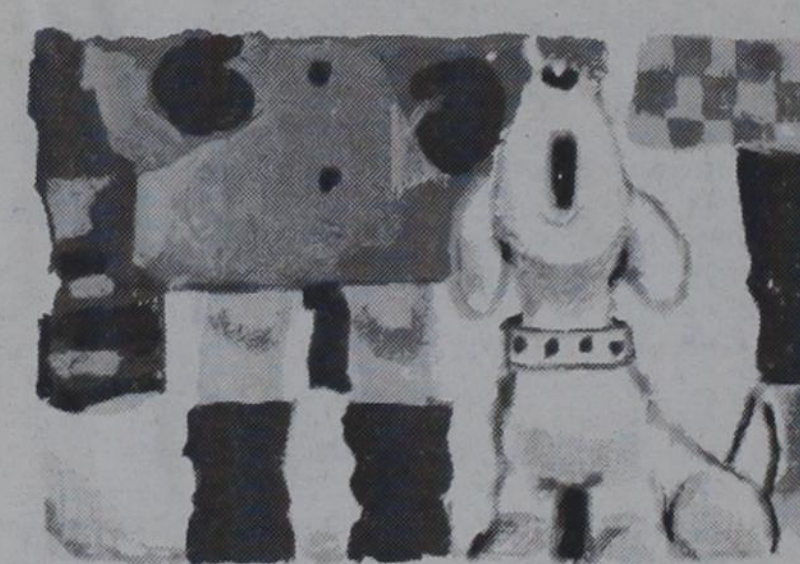
Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the third grade in Mrs. Ratcliffes room. I will be a good boy. I want a walkie-talkie. This is what I want and I want a B.B. gun.
Your friend,
Rasendo Lara

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm in third grade. I want a mini-bike and a G.I. Joe and I want some toys but I really want a mini-bike and a G.I. Joe. I hope you will really bring me what I want.
Your friend,
Hector Sanchez

Dear Santa,
I am good. I want a bike.
richard Flores

Dear Santa,
Ive been good. I want the Sunshine Family.
Vanessa

MERRY CHRISTMAS



HOLIDAY GREETINGS!

Greeting our friends, old and new, and wishing you Happiness and Joy at Christmas. Our hearty thanks to all!



A&H SUPPLY
Fred & Murray

Voices ring... hearts sing... echoing the happy spirit and delight of this holiday season. While "visions of sugar plums dance in our heads" we take this time to express our pleasure knowing you and to say thank you for your patronage.

BILL AND DON GREGORY

CASTRO COUNTY GRAIN CO.

Children's Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a rock polisher
and a shrink magic and a magic
set. I love you Santa Claus.

Love,
Laura Hargrove

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a B.B. gun and a
piano and a wakie talkie if I be
good.

Love,
Orlando Catano

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like Sea wolf and a
six million Dollor man and a
Evel Kinevel formula one drag-
ster. I will leave you some
cookie.

Love,
Todd Braafladt

Dear Santa Claus,
I want to have my own bed
and my own room And I hope
you will give my sister the
same thing.

Love,
Lydia Lopez

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a Baby
Alive. and a watch too. and for
my mom some kind of fancy
calone.

Love,
Rebecca Ruth Gregory

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a six million
dollar man and a Rick o shay
racer. I will leave you some
cookies and milk.

Love,
Brian Handley

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a baby Alive.

Love,
Angie Catano

I love you Santa Claus.

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good.
Please bring me a Baby That-
away.

Love,
Alicia Asua

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like dishes, doll, bell.

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a pellet gun,
walkie talkie, a bike, motor-
cycle, B.B. gun, Evel Kanivel.
Love,
Rene Villgas

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like whirly bird an
rick-o-shay racer. Thank you.
Love,
Dirk Wright

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a motorcycle, a
car, a bike, BB gun, corondo.
Love,

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a BaBy VelVet
and a easy Bank Oven and a
Basket for my Bike. Are you
going to come to my house.
Love,
LeAndre Lynn

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a pair of guns, a
G-G bun and a walkie talkie.
Love,
Jacinto Lopez

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Baby Alive a
Shrink Magic. I love you Santa.
Love,
Jill Smith

Make a Stocking Doll for Someone You Love

There must be at least one or two little girls on your Christmas list who would love to own a stocking doll! Since it will be an unusual and original gift, it will be treasured twice as much. Simple directions here provide a basic doll that you can dress in any way you wish.



Using a stocking or long sock, cut the pieces as shown. Sew the bottom of the body and stuff with clean rags, kapok or cotton and then tie the neck. Take the head in at the back if it looks too large for the body. Sew arms and legs and attach. Tie body in middle to make a waistline. Use bright red thread to stitch mouth and nose and make button eyes. Attach wig piece and fringe at bottom or braid. Yarn can be used for the hair also. Dress doll in any way you choose. Story book characters like Heidi or Cinderella make charming dolls . . . costumes can be copied from a favorite book.

Bubbly Cranberry Punch

2 cans jellied cran- berry sauce (16 oz. size)	1 1/2 cups orange juice
1/2 cup lemon juice	2 large bottles chilled ginger ale (28 oz. bottles)

Beat cranberry sauce until smooth and stir in lemon and orange juices. Empty several trays of ice cubes into a punch bowl and pour mixture over them. Carefully add ginger ale and mix. Serve in punch cups. About 20-25 cups.



May your
Christmas be a
bountiful feast of
harmony and joy with
your loved ones.
Serving you is always
a pleasure . . .
thanks.

ARROWHEAD DRIVE INN



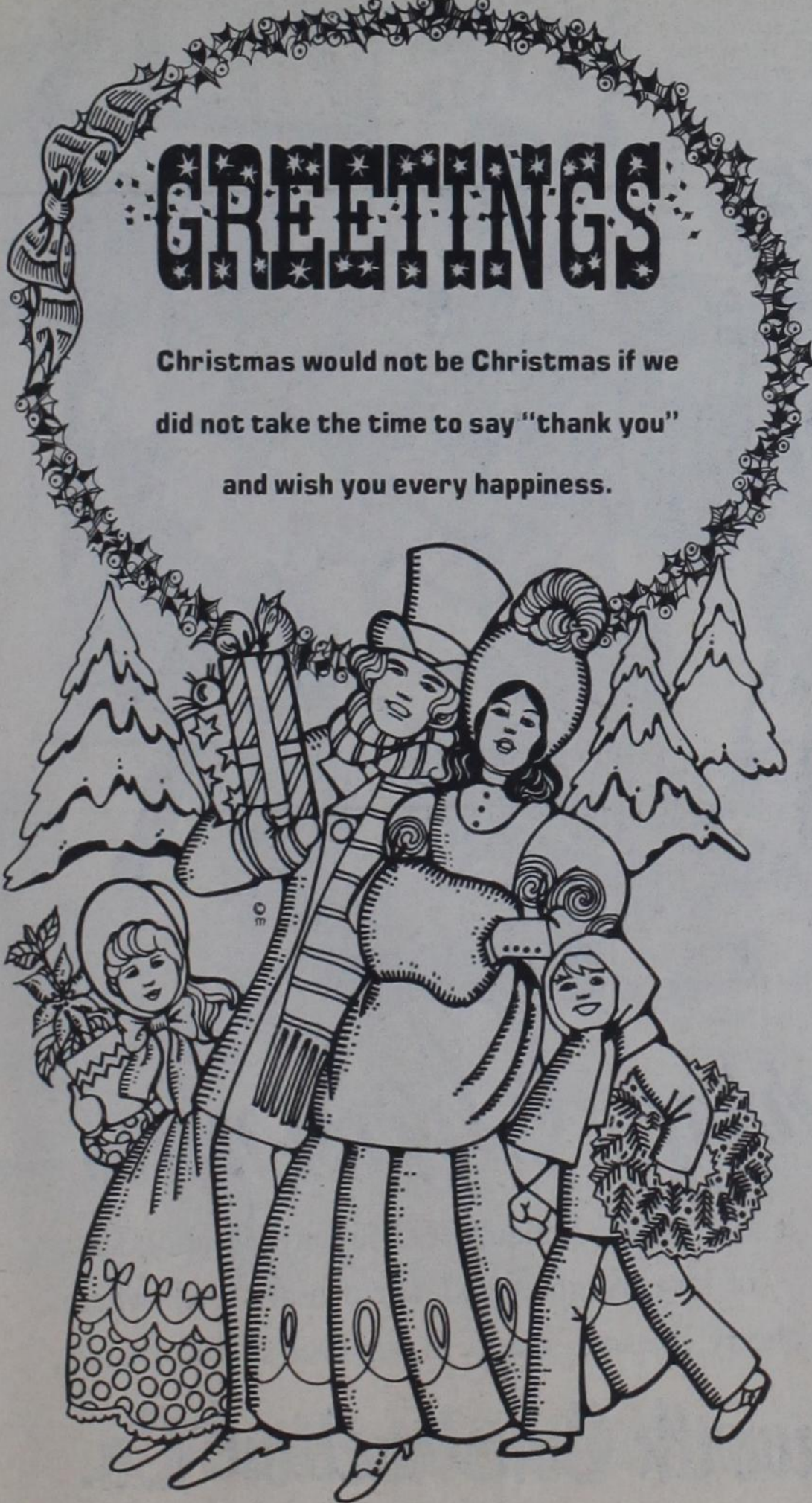
Greetings

The magical moment of Christmas is here again. In the spirit of the season we wish our neighbors and patrons many happy moments — rich in friendships, family get-togethers, heartfelt contentment. May all your holiday dreams come true. Thanks for your generosity.

**Dimmitt Plant,
Amstar Corporation**



Spreckels



GREETINGS

Christmas would not be Christmas if we
did not take the time to say "thank you"
and wish you every happiness.

**NELSON
DRILLING & PUMP SERVICE**

Get a Bigger Sleigh, Santa Claus!



Calorie Counts to Help You Through the Holidays

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

- Calorie count is in parentheses:
- 6 shrimp (90) ... 3/4 ounces white wine and soda (85)
 - 5 artichoke hearts (55) ... 10 pretzel sticks (30) ...
 - 2 stuffed green olives (15) ... 6 oysters (65) ... 1 slice pumpkin (80) ... 1 nectarine (30) ... 2 ounces rare roast beef (95) ... 8 small gumdrops (35) ... 1 teaspoon caviar (25) ... 1 stalk celery (5) ... 1 ounce camembert (85) ... 1 8 oz. glass milk (160) ... 1 good slice calves liver (75) ... 1 cup cottage cheese (240) ... 1 Ritz cracker (20) ... 1 Wheat Thin (10) ... water, try a quart a day (0)!

HAPPY HOLIDAY!



THRASHER AUTO SALES
Avery Trasher

Dear Santa,
I have been a verry nice boy. how was the wether in the north pole. I am going to have a christmas party. I gat a gril friend named Kim Howell. She is nice. I hop you come to my house. I want some droms.
Love,
Carlos

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a football and a B.B gun and a walkie talkies and a bike.
Love,
Adam Lopez

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like B.B gun and rife walkie bike.
Love,
Amos Quintero

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like B.B gun walkie talkie.
Love,
Luis Alarcon

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a live kitten and a live puppy and a jewel magic and a shrink magic and a CB.
Love,
Lori Potts

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a football walkie Talkie B.B. gun.
Love,
Leonardo Vera

Dear Santa,
Santa I want a bike and a walkie talkie and you are so nice I am going to give you somthing to. Santa is the real one in town.
Love,
Raul G.

Dear Santa Claas,
Is it cold up ther. Ples bring me and Sarah my sester Sarah wonts a babby thataway and I wont a buddy drem. What is your wivs name. I leve at Rt. 2 Hart.
Gina Gabel

Dear Santa Claus,
Will you bring me a B.B. gun.
Love,
Jessie Gonzles

Dear Sant Claus,
I want a trampolin and a Baby Alive and a bracet and a Baby That away and I want a Bike and I want sam swings.
Love,
Adela Silva

Dear Santa Claus,
I want A BB gun, watch and a mini Bike. and a trampolin for christmas.
Love,
Mickey McMinn

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Baby Alive and roller skates and sokr bokr and a box of life savrs and three boxes of prfum and two boxes of losuen for Christmas.
Love,
Stephanie Paige Killingsworth

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Raggedy Ann Doll.
Love,
Anita Dominguez

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a truck.
Love,
Paul Dannevik

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a soapbox derby, a mini bike, a Evil Kinival Stunt Cycle, a set cop-Kinival Stunt Cycle, a set cowboy chaps, a sail boat, a doctor still for Christmas.
Love,
Richey Behrends

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a electric train, a bb gun and a typewriter.
Love,
Scott Gene Morris

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a surprise.
Love,
Whitney Warren

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a jump rope.
Love,
Melody Sadler

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a B.B. gun for Christmas.
Love,
Raul Casas

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a smal Go cart and a toy mouse and roller skates ten speed for Christmas.
Love,
Rickey Behrends

Dear Santa claus,
I want a rubby Dub Ddub doll for Christmas or a charm braclit or a Babby that way or watch. O yes and for my Mother She say She want preum and my father he want a sort and pants.
Love,
Mary Frances Faulkner

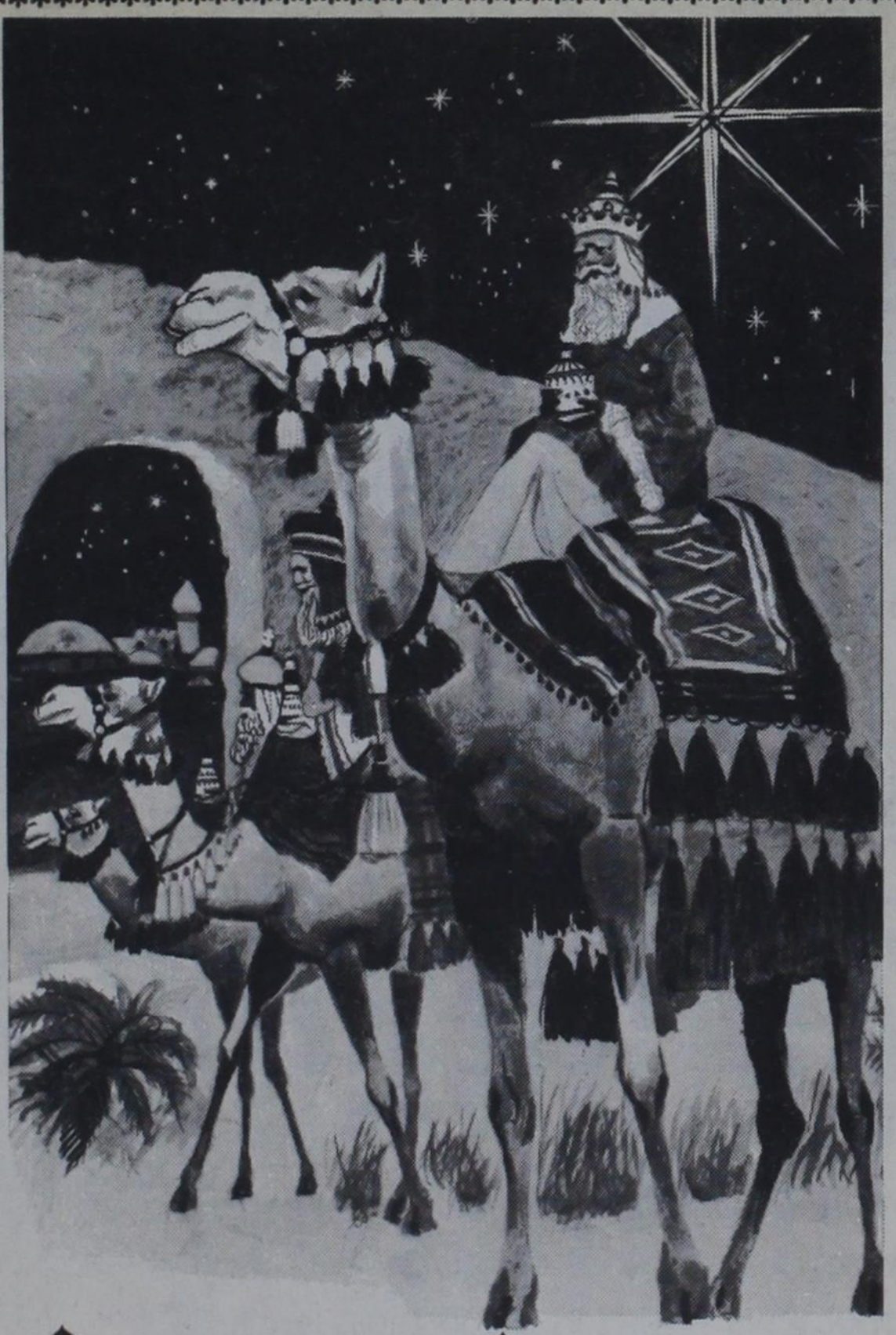


Greetings

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

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

EASTER COMMUNITY GIN



Christmas Greetings

May your Christmas star lead you to a richer, happier life: warm with love, bright with joy, secure in peace. We take this opportunity to thank you for being such good friends. We're grateful for your goodwill and loyal patronage.

AAA Flying Service

Ben Holcomb



Merry Christmas

Make it a fun-filled holiday! Fill it with an abundance of love, laughter and warm hearts everywhere. Best wishes for a cheery, blessed season to all. Our special thanks.

Killingsworth Construction Co. Killingsworth Builders Supply

Letters to Santa Claus



CHRISTMAS



Enjoy peace at heart and hearth for Christmas. Warm thanks.

H & R BLOCK

E. B. Noble
116 W. Bedford

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a BB gun.
Antonio Lara

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good at school.
Bring me a Baby Thot a-way.
Thank you.
Susie Flores

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good at school.
Please bring me a minibiike.
Thank you.
Juan Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I am good. I want bicycle.
Tina Ramos

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Baby Alive, a Bike,
a Rubby Deb Dub Doll.
Love,
Domitila Lopez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want an cooking stove. I
want an ball, an some dishish. I
mind my teacher. I been good.
Missy

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Baby Dreams for
Christmas.
Love,
Joann Jimenez

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good at school.
Please bring me a dump truck.
Thank you.
Bob Young

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good at school.
Please bring me a bike. Thank
you.
Becky Casas

Dear Santa,
I am good. I want a guitar.
Roylee

Dear Santa,
I was good. I want a machine
gun.
David

Dear Santa Claus,
I want an doll for Christmas
an some dishish. I been good. I
mind my teacher. I want cook-
ing stove.
Ruby

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a Baby
Alive an a watch and a charm
bracket and a Bike.
Love,
Angie Trevino

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good at school.
Bring me a BB gun.
Robert Toland

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good at school.
Please bring me a doll. Thank
you.
Yolanda Dominguez

Dear Santa,
I was good. I want a trail
bike.
Shy Burney

Dear Santa,
I was good. I want a bike.
George Mata

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a tromplin for Christ-
mas.
Love,
Olivia Lopez

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good at school.
Please bring me a buldozr.
Thank you.
Edwin Maxwell

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good at school.
Please bring me a Evel Knie-
vel. Thank you.
Joe Velasquez

Dear Santa,
I've been good. I want a
Baby Alive.
Deanna Sears

Dear Santa,
I was good. I want Baby
alive.
Kayla Jones

Dear Santa,
I am good. I want a bike.
Molly Flores

Taking Care of Your Holiday Plants

Plants are living gifts. To keep them going for the holidays and after, here are some tips:

Azalea: Keep moist and cool. After flowers fade, cut them back a little. They can summer out-of-doors and should be fed monthly until the early fall.

Christmas Pepper: Keep in full sun with moist soil, but cool. Summer outdoors.

Cyclamen: Keep cool, and in full sun (55° or cooler). Keep soil moist and mist daily. Dry out as flowers fade. Rest in shade outdoors. Growth will be restored in late summer by watering.

Kalanchoe: Keep in full sun allowing the soil to dry out between waterings. Cut back after flowering and rest in shade in summer with infrequent watering. To start regrowth in late summer, feed and move in to full sun.

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



RETURN FROM EGYPT—Joseph [Rusty Schacher], his wife Mary [Michelle Schmucker] and the child Jesus [Wade Durbin] return from Egypt to their hometown of Nazareth in one of the 13 tableaux of the fourth annual Nazareth Christmas Pageant. The family had fled to Egypt along with other Jewish families when King Herod, after hearing that a new king had been born, ordered the first-born males of all families in his domain to be killed.



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May the joy and peace of that first Christmas be with you and yours this season. Our wish is for all hearts to be filled with gladness, contentment and the desire for real brotherhood. Our gratitude to the kind, generous people we serve.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



May we take this time to send you all our brightest greetings for the Yuletide season, and our sincere thanks for your kind support.

THE VILLAGE SHOP

Claude & Neva Hickey
George Grimm

Rose Acker, Linda Heck, Jeri Bradley,
Lynette Schulte, Jimmie Schulte, Connie Nelson

Hay's Implement Co.

Jim Hays, David Hays, Boyce Carter, Louise Stone, Randy Hunter, David Patterson, Kenneth Black, Robert Woolbright,
J. D. McDonald, Calvin Black, Nelson Chavers, Hayward Glover, Bea Jones, Doug Hays, Gary Cole, L. B. Mays, Abe Austin

Dear Santa,
I was good. I want a horse.
Arnold Peralez

Dear Santa,
I am good. I want piano.
Tammy Alcola



Start Packing Your Bag Right Now, Santa!



Letters to 'Santa' Overflow Mailbox



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

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

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

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

Letters addressed to "Santa Claus" represent the tens of thousands of children's "want lists" that foretell visions of Christmas morning, promise cook-

ies and milk, and extend best wishes to Santa, Mrs. Claus, and Rudolph. And, to the delight of children everywhere, all of these letters receive an answer from Santa Claus.

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

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

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

Dear Santa,
I was good. I want socker bockers.
Eddie Garza

Dear Santa,
I was good. I want socker bockers.
Garry Leatherwood

Dear Santa,
I was good. I want a bicycle.
Mark

Dear Santa,
I was good. I want cowboys.
Henry Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I am trying to be good. Please bring me a truck and Rockum Sockum.
Love Steven Gonzales

Dear Santa,
I am good. I want a Sunshine Family van.
Patricia Carroll

Dear Santa,
I am good. I want Baby alive.
Janie Martinez

Dear Santa,
I am good. I want Piano.
Della Garcia

Dear Santa,
Here is what I want for Christmas. I want a necklace with a smiling Santa on it. A watch shaped like a flower. A Yellow bullitan Board. A art set with paints, brush, crayolas and a lot more. A safe with a alarm. A globe. A teenage barbie. A jelyery box shaped has a house. A Raggedy Ann and Andy Electronic Calculator. Thats all.
Love, Missy

I forget I also want a bible. I also want a doll. I love you.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bike a car a train. Thanks.
Scott Blackwell

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a train, a puppy, a car, a kitten. Thanks
Eddie Ellis

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a train, a car, a doll, a puppy, a bike, a kitten.
Delicia Gonzales

Dear Santa,
I was good. I want Evil Kaneval.
Arthur Garza

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a puppy. Thanks.
Rene Cavasz

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a train, a puppy, a car, a kitten. Thanks
Eddie Ellis

Dear Santa,
I am good. I want a speed bike.
Damass Chavira

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a train, a puppy, a car, a kitten. Thanks.
Kirk Ward

Dear Santa,
Was good. I sant a speed bike.
Edward Rivera

Holiday Cheer

Joy is not in things, it is in us.
Wagner

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

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

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

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

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

Castro Co-op Gin

Earl Chaney, Manager



Christmas

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

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Merry Christmas



Heartfelt wishes for a glowing Yuletide overflowing with good cheer and happy days. We are thinking of you, our dear friends, and hoping your holidays will be filled with many delights.

Special thanks to all.

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THE BEAN KING

In parts of France, Spain, and Mexico they still eat a special 12th Night cake, in which a single bean has been concealed. The finder of the bean is hailed as Bean King — a survival of an ancient pagan custom which chose the King of the Saturnalia by lot in this way.



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IN THE WORLD

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Christmas
Trees For
Ecology...

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

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

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



ST. NICHOLAS AND ESCORTS in Kuessnacht am Rigi, Central Switzerland. The figures of St. Nicholas, who on Dec. 6 goes around sometimes dressed like a venerable bishop and sometimes like a bogeyman, unite totally different characteristics. The Bishop of Myra in Asia Minor, legendary throughout Europe for his acts of charity and miraculous deeds, is represented as the saintly figure. But pre-Christian influences still appear in noisy processions and demand for tribute, characteristic of the saint's satellites. Photo courtesy Swiss National Tourist Office.

'Christkindli' of Switzerland
Reappears at Holy Season

Christmas has a unique significance in the German and French speaking regions of Switzerland because the "Christkindli," or Christ Child, is believed to walk on earth during this season.

Instead of Santa Claus, the "Christkindli," represented as a beautiful, radiant, angel-like being with wings carrying a magic wand and wearing a shining crown, distributes Christmas gifts and Christmas trees glittering with fanciful decorations.

Although the "Christkindli" is commonly believed to personify the Christ-Child, he is sometimes represented as an angel bearing a light or a star just as an angel heralded the birth of Christ at Bethlehem. On the other hand, the "Christkindli" has some of the characteristics of a sprite, as suggested by the wand and the wings, which can be linked to pre-Christian beliefs. Some suggest he may stem from the pagan custom of representing the New Year as a radiant and beautiful child.

Like Santa, the "Christkindli" also arrives in a

sleigh drawn by reindeer, so there would appear to be some intermingling of Christmas legends here.

St. Nicholas is represented in several ways in different parts of Switzerland. In some, he is called Father Christmas and comes with his wife, Lucy (representing St. Lucy whose feast day is December 13) to distribute gifts. He wears the traditional Santa Claus costume, while Lucy wears a round cap over her long braids, a laced bodice and a fancy apron.

In the central part of Switzerland, St. Nicholas is represented more realistically in his bishop's regalia complete with mitre and crozier. On St. Nicholas' Day, which falls on December 6th, there is a magnificent parade in which white bearded masqueraders, clothed in long white shirts, carry huge three-foot mitre-shaped lanterns over their heads. These lanterns are perforated in intricate religious designs, similar to church windows, and when the candlelight shines through them, as their bearers execute a stately dance, they are an impressive sight indeed.

In the village of Urnaesch in the Canton of Appenzel, the men and boys go "Santa Clausing." Some wear red Santa Claus costumes with jingling bells while others, dressed and masked as "ladies," wear enormous, elaborate picture hats decorated with panoramas of Alpine scenes. Starting early in the day on New Year's Eve, the group proceeds through the village with an unusual hopscootch gait, stopping at each farm to share their merriment and partake of refreshments. When darkness falls, they all head for the Valley to pursue their New Year revelry.

ASS ESSENTIAL
TO EVERY DOMAIN

Although the ass, such as the one ridden by Mary, is sometimes described as a lowly beast, fit for those of humble station, there is considerable evidence that the docile and useful ass was ridden by many rich and prestigious people as well as the poor. The Bible often mentions the ass as a common part of many households.



We hope your Christmas glows with many happy hours spent with family and friends. Sincere thanks for your kind patronage.

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Christmas
Joy,
Peace

To all men of good will...to all our good friends...we send greetings for a happy holiday. We appreciate your loyal patronage.

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Have You Ever
Seen a Galanty?

This was the old name for the shows put on at Christmas time by traveling entertainers, who projected shadow shows in pantomime, using silhouetted figures, by means of a magic lantern. The galanty shows were projected on a white sheet or on the ceiling. But before long, magic lanterns became cheap and plentiful, so people had them in their homes, with an array of colored slides—and this became a popular home entertainment.

Now, many years later, and in spite of the attractions of television, the lineal descendants of those early magic lanterns continue to fascinate us. Who hasn't seen a series of color slides, usually the well-known "pictures of our trip," proudly shown by photographer friends?

Know What
"Wassail" Means?

This ancient word, familiar to us from song and story, comes from the Anglo-Saxon words "Wes hal"—which means "be whole," or in more modern terms, "Good Health." It was used as a toast, before lifting one's glass—and by extension came to mean a drinking song.



GREETINGS

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

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Merry Christmas

We're wishing that you'll enjoy warmth and peace at your hearthside this Christmas. It's our way of saying thank you for a truly fine relationship.

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CONTRACTOR

Mulled Fruit Punch

- 1-46 oz. can orange fruit punch
- 1-46 oz. can apricot nectar
- 6 whole allspice
- 8 inches stick cinnamon
- 1/2 lemon sliced thin

Combine all ingredients in large saucepan; bring to boil. Cover and simmer for 10 minutes. Remove from heat and let stand for 1/2 hour. Reheat and strain spices out. Garnish with orange slices studded with cloves, after pouring into punch bowl. Makes about 20 servings, punch cup size.



SURPRISE VISITOR—Santa Claus made a surprise appearance at the Christmas party given recently for students of the Dimmitt Satellite School by the Deaf Smith-Castro Legal Secretaries' Association. The legal secretaries provided a banquet for the students at the Colonial Inn Restaurant, and distributed presents to them.

Children's Art Carnival Creates for Christmas

The Children's Art Carnival in New York City, is a lively art center teeming with activity—ringing with the sound of children's voices, bursting with the color and form of their creativity. Sponsored by the Museum of Modern Art, it works with about 750 children each week, from kindergarten to high school ages, as they come to take lessons in painting, collage, sculpture, figure drawing, film making, and sewing. Some 45 public schools and 75 community organizations are participating in the program of the center.

What the children paint and create is directly related to their feelings about themselves, their family, and what goes on around them. So it is natural that the weeks prior to Christmas bring forth paintings that show Santa Claus, Christmas trees, snow scenes, and so on. They also make ornaments to hang on their own Christmas trees and decorations for the big Christmas party—for example, the creche made by the three teen-age boys shown in picture.

At the Carnival, they have discovered that the most exciting art activities for young children are those where materials are available for the child to use, he wishes, with as little interference from the teacher as possible. This freedom of action seems to be a real contribution to creativity.



CRECHE and its makers, all three boys being students at the Harlem Art Carnival. Their materials were double-weight cardboard, paint, and glue. A bit of collage was part of their technique in creating this traditional Christmas decoration. Photo from Harlem Art Carnival

They Still Speak Aramaic, The Language of Jesus

In the village of Ma'lula in Syria, where the houses of heavy native stone are tinted blue, one would hardly notice the passage of time since the birth of Christ, over 2000 years ago. The people have changed little, in dress and habits, and more importantly in their speech. For it is here in Ma'lula, as well as in two other villages in Syria, Jebadeen and Bakhaa, that one can hear the Aramaic language Christ used during His life on earth.

Aramaic was spoken throughout ancient Palestine and the lands that are now Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, southern Turkey, and northern Iraq. But after the Arab conquest of these lands in the seventh century, Aramaic was gradually replaced by Arabic. In Syria, only those three villages, all in the Qalamon valley not far from Damascus, have preserved the ancient language of Christ to the present day. The population numbers only a few thousand, two-fifths of them Greek Orthodox, another two-fifths Greek, and the rest Moslem. Philologists of the University of Beirut tell us that while the Aramaic dialect of these three villages has been intermixed with Arabic, the villagers would have understood, and been understood by, Christ and the people of His time.

Naturally, the people of Ma'lula are very proud of their Aramaic language and take pains to keep it alive and flourishing. Many families speak only Aramaic to their children until the youngsters are five years old and must go to school, where they learn Arabic, the national language.

Outside Syria, Aramaic is spoken at Urmia, in Turkey by the Chaldean Catholics of Bartelle in northern Iraq, and by the villagers of Malabar in southwestern India. And Aramaic is still used in the liturgy of certain churches which began in the Middle East, such as the Maronites and Syrian Orthodox groups.

Easy Way to Say Christmas Thanks

Here's an idea for a wonderful way for youngsters to say thank-you for Christmas presents—and much easier than persuading them to write thank-you notes!

Get someone to take a picture of the youngster showing him or her holding or using the gift. Then get him to write just a few words of thanks on a piece of paper or the photo itself. Grandma, or Uncle, is sure to be doubly pleased!

Carols and Candles

Carols and candles bring added spirit and luster to Christmas.

The word "carol" comes from the middle English *carolen*, meaning "to sing joyously." The majority of our most familiar carols date from the nineteenth century. Some researchers believe that carol singing

could be a carryover from the Roman songs of the Saturnalia. Francis Scott Key, noted lawyer and author of The Star Spangled Banner, also wrote carols. It is little known that the comedian Harpo Marx, of the famous Marx Brothers, also authored a popular Christmas carol.

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

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



Christmas Joy!

Everyone! Join in the spirit of a very Happy Holiday with friends, family. For the pleasure of serving you, our heartfelt gratitude.

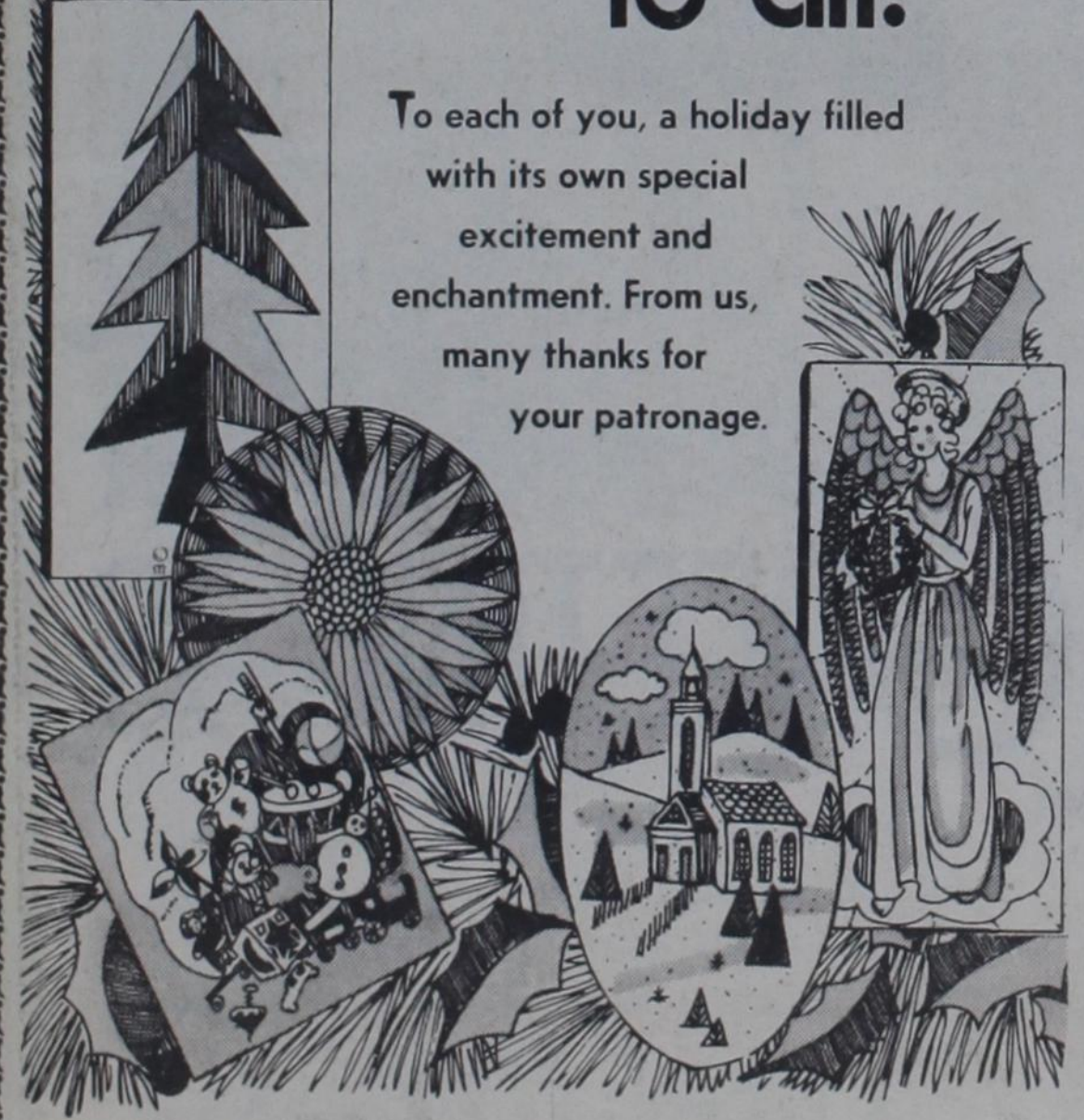
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Merry Christmas

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A Lasting Christmas

by Garnett Ann Schultz

*I keep a part of Christmas
For it helps to add a glow.
To the January darkness
And the February snow.
If March is cold and blustery
And though April brings us rain,
The peace and warmth of Christmas
With its happiness remain...*

*There's a beauty when it's Christmas
All the world is different then,
There's no place for petty hatred
In the hearts and minds of men.
That is why my heart is happy
And my mind can hold a dream,
For I keep a part of Christmas
With its peace and joy supreme.*

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First Christmas Carols

The first carols were dance songs, or ring songs, sung by villagers around a Maypole, or to celebrate other festive occasions throughout the year, during the Middle Ages. Later they became more exclusively associated with Christmas.

The word "carol" derives from the Greek and Latin word "choraules" meaning "chorus." The phrase, "Christmas Carols" first appeared during the 16th century in England in little songbooks printed by Wynken de Worde and Richard Kele.

DANCE CAROLS — Best examples of these rounds or ring dances are still to be found in Sweden, where people dance around the tree singing many rollicking songs. Elsewhere, dance carols are merely sung, although many of the tunes are known to inspire dancing feet.

SHEPHERD CAROLS, of and about the shepherds to whom the angels appeared, and their coming to the stable with humble gifts are the most human and appealing accounts of Christ's birth. They were sung to accompany the vivid portrayals of this scene in the medieval "mystery" plays, which were common in England as well as all other European countries. Best known today is the traditional English carol, "While Shepherds Watched."

LULLABY CAROLS were among the earliest Christmas songs and like all cradle songs have a rocking, lulling rhythm and a simple melody. "Cradle rocking" carols or "Kindelwiegen" were a part of the church ritual in Germany and Austria.

A good example of this type of carol is the 16th century English carol, "What Child Is This?" which was sung to the 16th century dance tune, "Greensleeves." Another is the 19th century American anonymous carol, "Away In A Manger."

One of the most beautiful of all lullaby carols is the "Coventry Carol," which was a part of one of the English medieval "mysteries." It is sung by a group of women, portraying Bethlehem mothers just before Herod's soldiers slaughter their babies.

CAROLS OF THE MAGI — The arrival of the Magi with precious gifts for the Christ Child is the most picturesque and colorful part of all Christmas pageants. The Magi songs all tell this rich, spiritual story. Among the most familiar of these to Americans is "We Three Kings," the words and music for which were written by John Henry Hopkins, Jr. in the 19th century.

NATIVITY CAROLS — There are many varieties of these. The first hymns in honor of the Nativity were written in Latin during

the 5th century, when Christmas was fully established as one of the great church feasts. It was not until the 13th century, when St. Francis of Assisi inspired his friends to write in their native tongue, that Nativity Songs were written for the people to sing. From Italy, these Nativity Songs spread throughout all Europe.

Two of the most familiar of these to us are: "Joy To The World," written by Isaac Watts in the 17th century and the 18th century German "Stille Nacht" (Silent Night) by Joseph Mohr. The original musical called for a guitar accompaniment.

LEGENDARY CAROLS spring from the folklore of people throughout the world inspired by superstitions and pre-Christian beliefs. One thing they have in common is that they all tell a story.

Most well known of these is the traditional English "I Saw Three Ships," "The Boar's Head Carol" both from the Middle Ages, the latter of which is still sung at Christmas dinner at Queens College, Oxford, as the boar's head is ceremoniously brought in. "Good King Wenceslas," written by J. M. Neale in the 19th century is about a fervent Christian Duke of Bohemia.

CAROLS OF CUSTOM deal with pre-Christian customs that have become attached to Christmas celebrations. For example, the yule log and mistletoe of England go back to the Druids. Decking the halls with boughs of holly and evergreen come from the Hebrews, Egyptians, Romans and other ancient peoples, for whom the evergreens were symbolic of life triumphant over death. The wreath came originally from the ivy crown worn by Romans in Bacchanalian festivals. "Wassail" was the Anglo-Saxon drinking pledge, "Waes-Hael" which means "Be in health" and which was part of Early Saxon feasts.

"O Tannenbaum" (O Christmas Tree) the traditional German carol goes back to the early days of wandering tribes, who would always leave a grove of trees in the middle of the land they cleared.

CAROLS FOR THE TWELVE DAYS — During the 6th century, the 12 days from Nativity to Epiphany were declared a festive season, celebrated in medieval England by many gay customs including, jousts, banquets, caroling and "mumming," which originally was a sort of pantomime dance performed by masked and costumed groups. Best known of these carols are the traditional English "God Rest Ye Merry," and "The Twelve Days of Christmas," which is based on an old French rhyme and chant.

SWEDISH CROWN OF CANDLES

In Sweden, the Christmas season traditionally begins on December 13, when a young girl in each house assumes the role of St. Lucia, wearing a white robe and a crown of lighted candles. The custom goes back to Viking times when, under the old calendar, the night of December 12-13 was the longest of the year. The Lucia girl symbolizes returning light.

That popular holiday-party drink known as eggnog is a modern version of an old English drink called syllabub, which was a spiced mixture of wine and milk.

EXTRA TREATS FOR YOUR HOLIDAY DINNER

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

CANDLE SALAD — Roll half a banana in colored sugar and set into a ring of pineapple. Take half of split unsalted almond, and stick into top of banana. The almond will actually burn for a minute or two when lit!

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

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

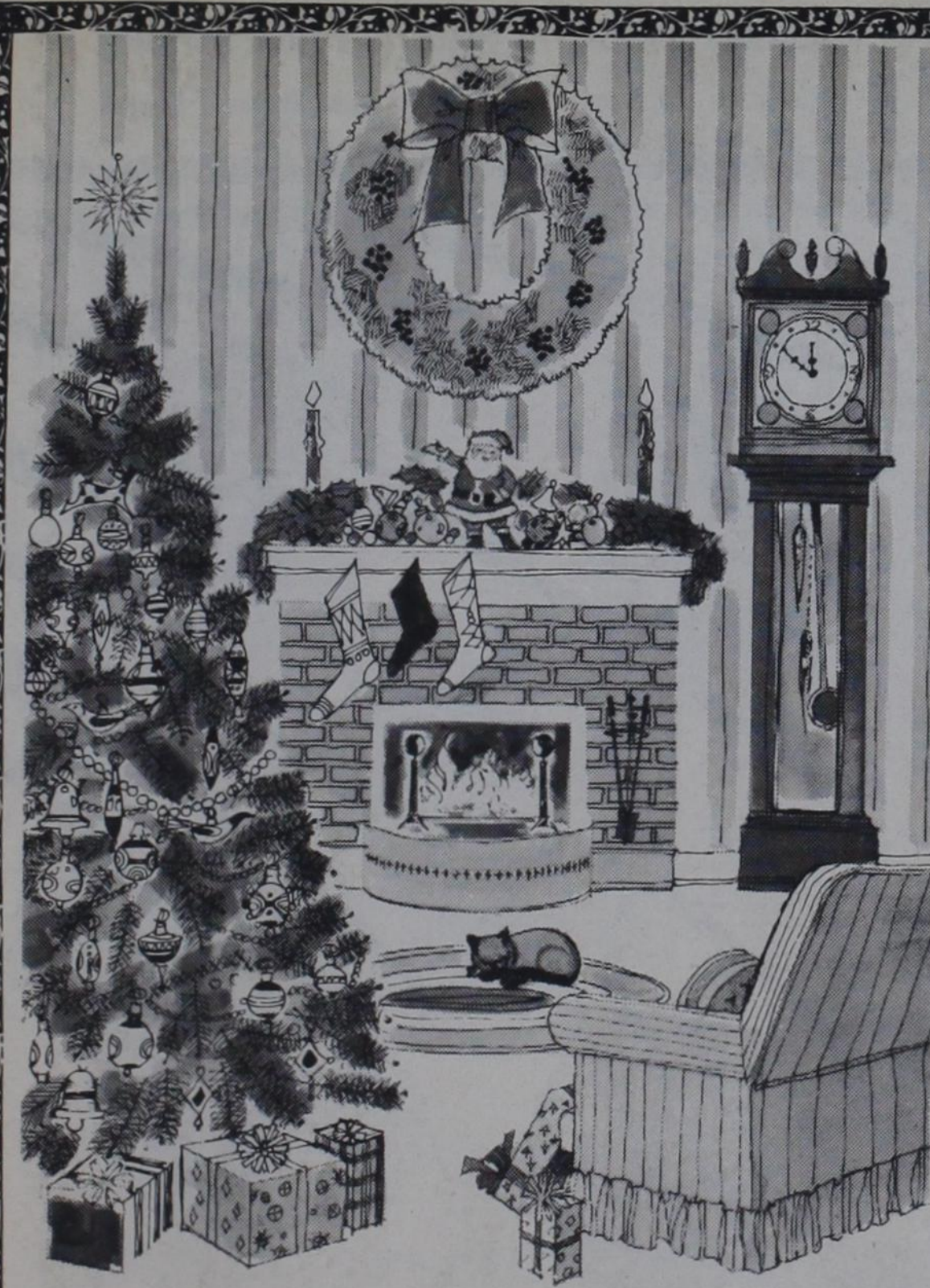
GREETINGS



It's our pleasure to be able to wish all our neighbors and friends a happy holiday. May it be one to treasure. Extra special thanks.

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Merry Christmas

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The Legend of Befana

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

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

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

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

Christmas Gesture

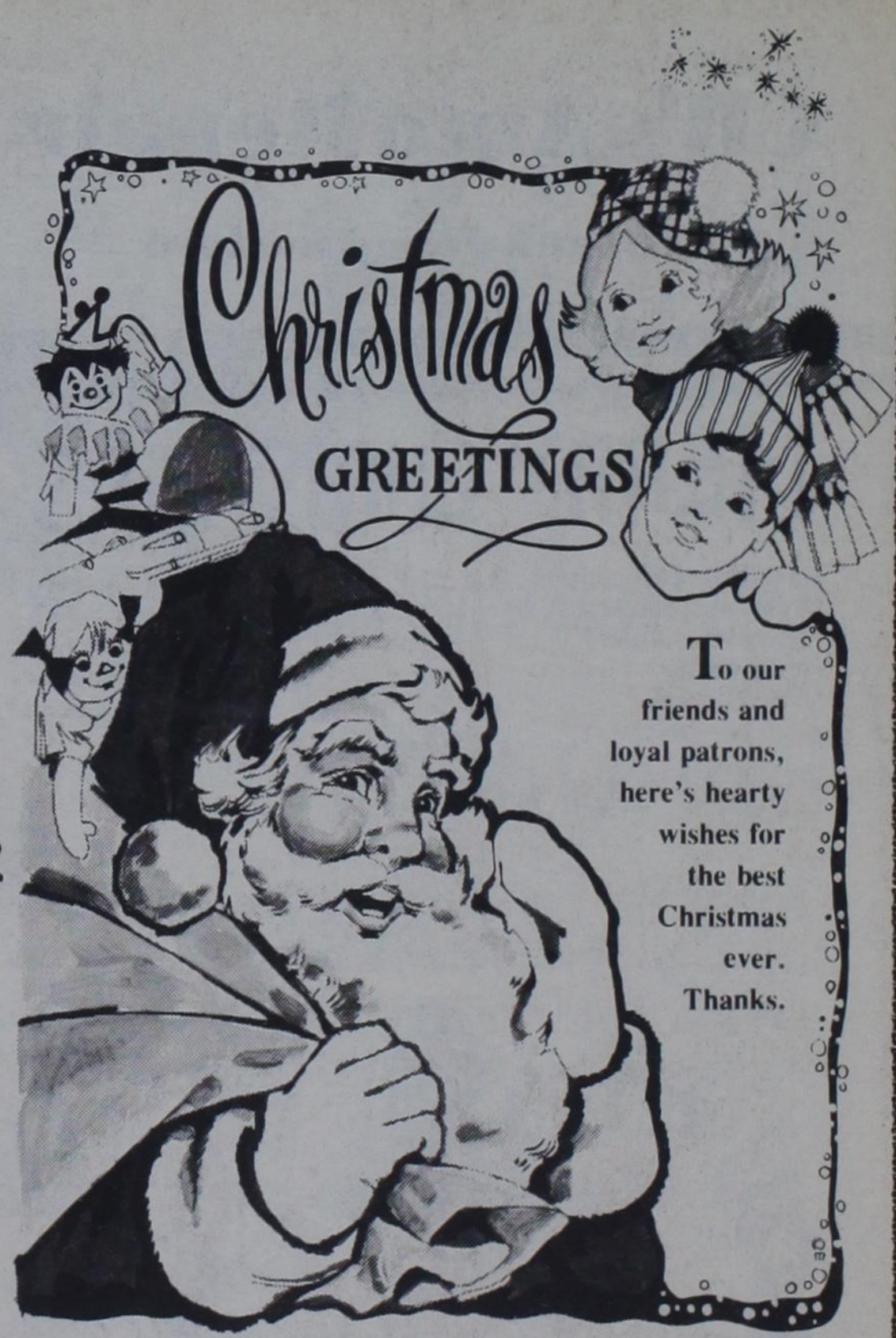
Robert Louis Stevenson (1850-1894), author of "Treasure Island" and "Kidnapped," was born on November 13 but "gave" his birthday to a girl born on Christmas Day. Stevenson made a gift of his birthdate to a child named Annie H. Ide, to let her have "two joyous celebrations a year, with a proper birthday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

Holly-Day Hum

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

POPE'S YULE INSTRUCTIONS

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



Christmas GREETINGS

To our friends and loyal patrons, here's hearty wishes for the best Christmas ever. Thanks.

W & C Grain, Inc.



Children's Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa,
I was good. I want the Sunshine family Kit.
Brenda Schinkus

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a saet of gaon, a car, a Sooenas.
Scott R.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bike, a puppy, Thanks.
Laura Nelson

Dear Santa,
I would like a minebike. I like you. I have been prety good. I will keep my door for you. My

mother will have something for you to eat. I live in the country.
Love,
Bryan

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, a kitten, a car, a puppy, a train, bike.
Linda Saenz



GREETINGS

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Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good at school. Please bring me a present.
Thank you.

Irma Ogas

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike for Christmas.

Romaldo Sandoval

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good at school. Please bring me a CB radio.
Thank you.

Jimmy Mireles

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, a puppy, a bike, a kitten, a car.
Thanks.

Delia

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good at school. Please bring me a Tiffany Taylor. Thank you.

Shellie Proffitt

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good at school. Please bring me a wiking boll.
Thank you.

Kimberly Katrina Keating

dear Santa Claus,
I have been good a school. Please bring me a phone. Thank you.

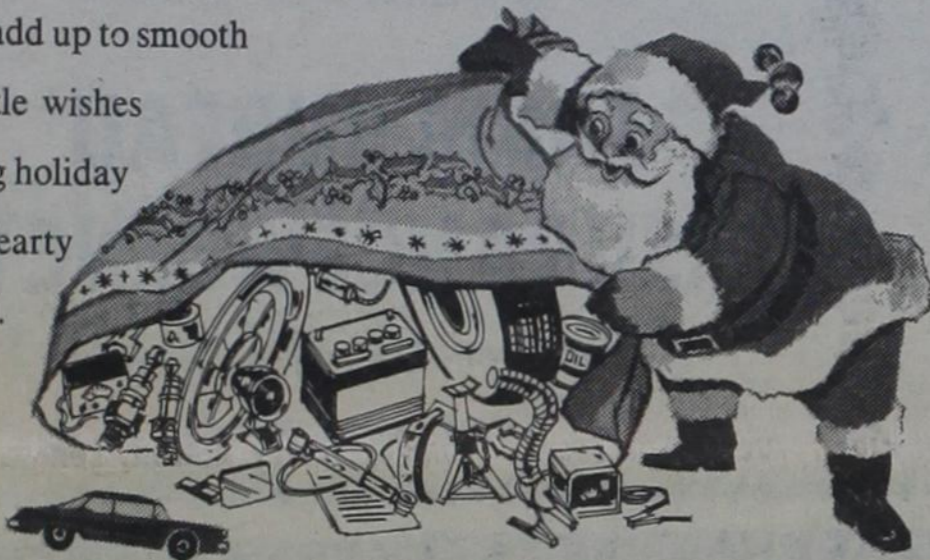
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MERRY CHRISTMAS to ALL!

Little parts add up to smooth driving. Little wishes add up to big holiday greetings. Hearty thanks to all.



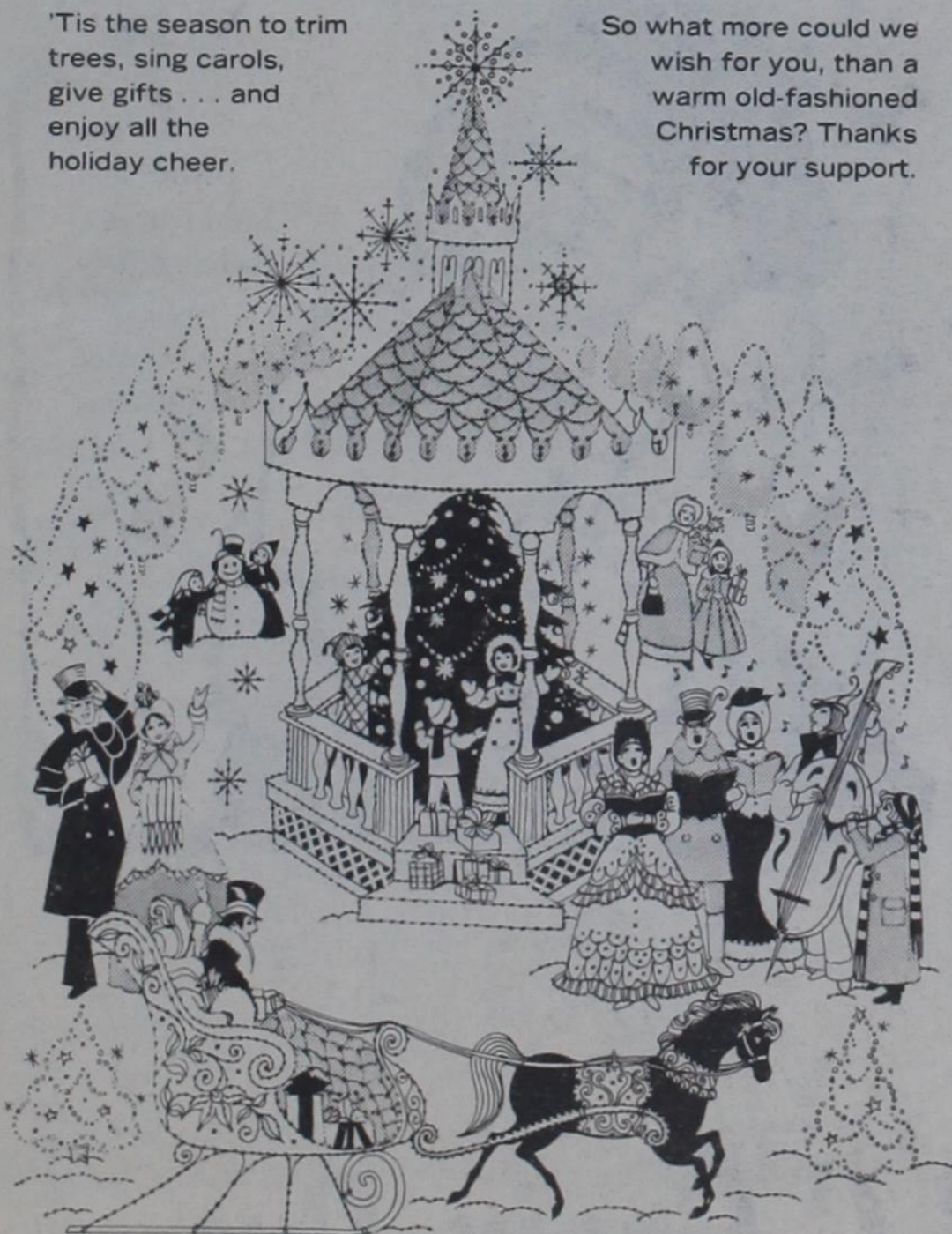
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MERRY CHRISTMAS

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So what more could we wish for you, than a warm old-fashioned Christmas? Thanks for your support.



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Yummy Frosted Holiday Bread

- 1 - 13³/₄ oz. pkg. hot roll mix
- 3/4 cup warm water
- 1 egg
- 2 tbsp. granulated sugar
- 2 tbsp. butter melted (margarine, if you prefer)
- 1/2 cup mixed candied fruits
- 1 cup white raisins
- 1/2 tsp. ground cardamom
- 1 cup sifted confectioners sugar
- 2 tbsp. light cream
- Candied cherries
- Sliced almonds

Sprinkle yeast from hot roll mix over warm water, in large bowl. Stir to dissolve. Add egg, granulated sugar and butter, mix well. Stir in fruit, raisins, cardamom, and flour mix from hot roll mixture. Cover; let rise in warm place about 45 minutes, till mixture about doubles. Turn out on lightly floured board and knead 10 strokes. Shape into ball; place in 9-inch pie plate and flatten. Let rise about 30 minutes, till doubled. Bake in 375° oven for about 30-35 minutes, covering with foil if it browns too quickly. Remove from pie plate and cool on rack. Mix together the sifted confectioners sugar and cream; drizzle over bread. Trim with candied cherries and almonds in wreath shape. Perfect for serving after tree trimming.



Wishing you a holiday crammed full of the treasures and delights of a wonderful Yuletide! To you and yours, Merry Christmas.

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Christmas at our place, so that you may enjoy Christmas at your place. A very merry one from all of us!



The Future IS Electric!

King Henry VIII of England owned 2000 wall hangings, all tapestries made by Flemish weavers, whose work was considered foremost in Europe.

Christmas Hello

We wish one 'n' all a whole lot of holiday cheer! And we extend warm thanks...

DIMMITT CAR WASH

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

WRIGHT'S AUTO CENTER



CHILDREN ANTICIPATE the arrival of "Kris Kringle," also known as Santa Claus, in this large electrotype reproduced from an 1891 specimen sheet of Christmas cuts offered by the A. Zeese & Co. of Chicago. As Kris Kringle prepares to descend the chimney of their home, the children, in box at bottom left, appear to be awake, perhaps in the hope of catching a glimpse of Santa.

Christmas 'Cuts' of 1891

For newspapers and other printers seeking appropriate cuts for Christmas illustrations, these and other samples were offered in 1891 by A. Zeese & Co. of Chicago. A handsome book of some 200 pages of examples was accompanied by this admonition: "To parties who have no open account with us we wish to say, that a great deal of unnecessary and vexatious delay in filling their orders will be avoided by enclosing with same bank draft or money order for amount of their purchases. Small packages can be sent safely and cheaply through the mail, if registered, but a proper allowance should be made for postage (one cent per ounce), besides ten cents for registering."

ELECTROTYPE offered in 1891 by A. Zeese & Co. of Chicago include a little cut (below) of Santa Claus climbing down a chimney. Illustration on right shows the angels appearing unto the shepherds in the fields on the first Christmas.



Many tapestries of the 15th and 16th centuries portrayed secular themes as well as religious ones. Court and hunting scenes were popular, as in the famous "Hunt of the Unicorn," now in The Cloisters, New York.

Let us all celebrate Christmas in America!



Floyd's Tire Shop
Larry Shugart Jerry Blackwell

GREETINGS

at Christmas

Here comes Santa toting good wishes from us to you. For a season rich in happiness. To patrons... our jolly thank you.



WHITE AUTO STORE

Danny Vermillion, Jerry Schinkus, Larry Allison, Lenore Guardiola

Merry Christmas

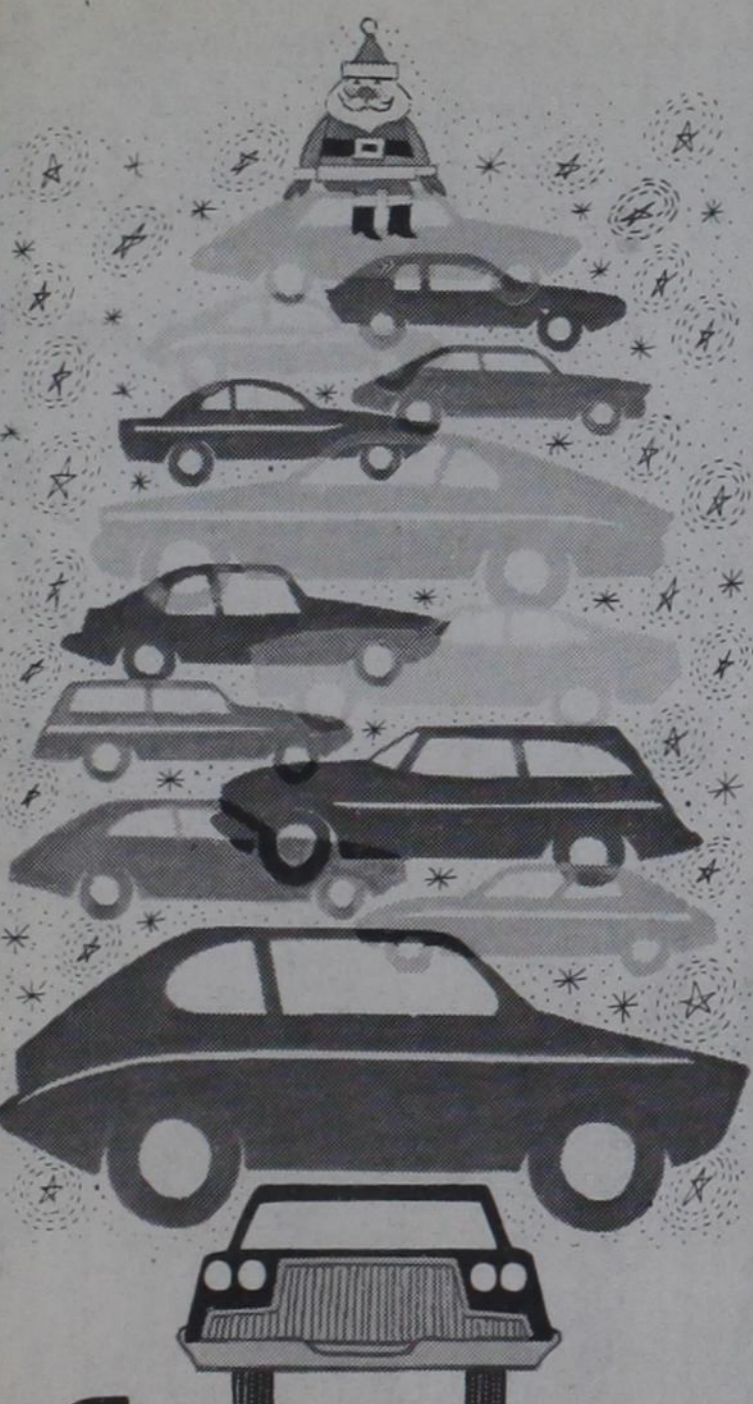
We rejoice in the sound of the words and the glory of the message: "—on earth peace, goodwill to men." But we do not always feel the meaning in our hearts and put it to work in our lives.

One who did was Henry Van Dyke, the late American clergyman, writer, and poet whose famous "Story of the Other Wise Man" has brought joy and inspiration to thousands of people over the years. Among his writings is a piece called "The Spirit of Christmas," and we think you'll like it as much as we did. We are happy to print it, from us to you:

"We are thinking of you today because it is Christmas... and tomorrow because it will be the day after, and so on through the year. We may not be able to tell you about it every day, but that makes no difference, the thought and the wish will be here just the same."

"Because it is Christmas" — so many things follow. "Because it is Christmas" — the world stands still for a while, in reverent memory of the Christ child's birth. "Because it is Christmas" — we hope anew for peace on earth, goodwill to men. "Because it is Christmas" — we resolve that the Spirit of Christmas will stay with us throughout the year.

Of course, the Spirit of Christmas should not be confined to a single day — nor is it. For all those who truly believe in "good will to men" honor it in their hearts and live it in their lives, every day of the year. They cherish the continuing warmth of friendship, the ever-new rebirth of the Babe who lived to teach us peace and love. And though friends may be far away or seldom met, that too "makes no difference" — the steady flow of hope and good will continues to bind together those who put their trust in the power of loving kindness, and in all that we mean by humanity.



Greetings

"Merry Motoring" this holiday season. "Thanks" for letting us service your car's needs.

EARL'S GARAGE



Greetings

Santa's coming along spreading lots of holiday cheer. And, he's delivering special thanks to our nice friends.

DIMMITT BELL STATION



Merry Christmas

Christmas! The very word awakens a host of happy expectations, with its promise of gifts and gladness, greetings and treatings. Enjoy it to the full, good friends. We thank you, warmly.

Harry's Spraying Service



DIMMITT FEED YARDS



U may the peace, joy
and beauty of the
season be yours.





ANGELS GATHER AT MANGER TO PROCLAIM CHRIST'S BIRTH
... The event that changed the course of the world

Christmas Greetings From Nazareth

From the community that was named for Christ's home town, our greetings go out to you this Christmas.

It was from Nazareth that Joseph and Mary traveled to Bethlehem, where the divine miracle occurred. It was in Nazareth that the Son of God was raised to manhood. And it was from Nazareth that Christ went out later to give new hope to mankind. So this season is especially meaningful to us.

We are proud of two of our community's Christmas traditions. One is the annual Nazareth Christmas Pageant, which we hope you were able to witness this year. The other is this Community Christmas Card, through which we wish a Merry Christmas to all our local friends. Instead of sending you an individual card, we have donated to this Community Christmas Card to benefit the Holy Family Parish Cemetery.

We hope that during this holy season you will witness once again the joy of this miraculous event, and the renewal of hope that it brings. Merry Christmas!

- Frank Drerup
- Clarence Schultes
- Mr. & Mrs. John Schacher and Family
- Marie Hanson
- Marvin and Darlene Schulte
- Joe & Imogene Drerup and Children
- Karen Schulte and Travis
- Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Schacher
- Christine Braddock
- Leonard, Julia & Richard Birkenfeld
- Mr. and Mrs. Joe King
- Clarence, Hazel and Virgil Wilhelm
- Mr. & Mrs. David Schulte and Michelle
- The Al M. Huseman Family
- Mr. & Mrs. Albert Schulte
- Sam, Margie Albracht and Family
- The Arnold Huseman Family
- Gene, Michele and Jeremy Schmucker
- Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Pohlmeier
- Melvin, Tommy and Thelma Wethington
- Elmer Schulte Family
- Mr. & Mrs. Lon Brockman
- Mrs. Louise Schulte
- Kenny and Cince Schulte and Family
- Mr. & Mrs. Earl G. Backus
- Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Birkenfeld
- Edwin, Irene Huseman and Family
- Lavern, Ronnie, Henry, Cecil, Stephen, Marybeth, Dorothy, Damian, Theresa, Robert Wilhelm
- Robert, Mary Verkamp and Family
- Vincent and Adeline Pohlmeier
- Rose Warren
- Lillian, Al and Tommy Cameron
- Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Schacher
- Mr. and Mrs. Ed Drerup and Family
- Raymond and Cecilia Annen and Claude
- Mrs. Meta Stork
- The Fred Acker Family
- Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson and Boys
- George and Rita Book
- Jim, Bobbie and Michael Schmucker
- James Buxkemper

- Tom and Raelene Hoelting
- Rose Hindman
- Ray and Mary Lou Schmucker and Children
- Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Kleman and Family
- Mr. and Mrs. Albert Venhaus
- Mr. and Mrs. Robert Huseman and Family
- Brigetta Dobmeier, Richard and Glenn
- Clyde and Lisa Schulte
- Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hartman and Family
- The Louis Huseman Family
- The Alvin Kleman Family
- Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Schacher and Donna
- Hilda Birkenfeld and Family
- Mrs. Anna Ehly
- Mr. and Mrs. David Acker and Family
- The Jerome Brockman Family
- Leo and Lynn Ehly
- Carl Dean Kleman Family
- Benedictine Sisters
- The Al Maurer Family
- Leslie, Kirsten and Bridget Birkenfeld
- Herman Birkenfeld and Family
- Mr. and Mrs. Tony Gerber
- Mr. and Mrs. Louie Schacher
- The Francis Gerber Family
- Joe Lynn Birkenfeld and Family
- Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Hoelting and Family
- Lawrence and Lorene Birkenfeld
- Dale and Mona Brockman
- Sybil Steffens
- The Al Schoenenbergers
- Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lange
- Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Huseman and Family
- The Dan Schmucker Family
- Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schulte
- Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schilling and Family
- The Philip Husemans
- Mrs. Phillip Acker
- J. C., Jocelyn and Jill Pohlmeier
- Walter, Georgie Kleman and Family
- Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hoelting
- The Leonard Gerber Family
- The Ray Schultes
- Walt, Lucy and Kalina Pohlmeier
- Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Braddock and Family

- Paul Venhaus Family
- Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brockman and Family
- The Eugene Hochstein Family
- Ed Ramaekers Family
- Phillip, Dora Pohlmeier and Family
- Mrs. Frank Hoelting
- Doris Hatla Family
- Mr. and Mrs. Michael Gotch
- Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Gerber and Family
- Randy, Monette and Brandon Schilling
- Charles and Chuck Birkenfeld
- Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Hoelting
- C. B. Wilhelm
- Floyd Schulte Family
- Hubert and Joan Backus and Boys
- Mrs. Alphonsa Huseman and Elmer
- Leroy and Dorothy Pohlmeier, Jolene, Chelle and Lisa
- Ralph and Sharon Brockman, Melissa and Jennifer
- The James Wilhelm Family
- Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hoelting and Family
- Heleh Backus
- The Jim Hoeltings
- John, Linda Smith and Shawn
- Leonard, Rose Mary and Dean Wilhelm
- Julius Birkenfeld
- Lucy Leinen
- Mrs. Agnes Brockman
- Eugene Kern Family
- Florence and Dorie Albracht
- Mr. and Mrs. Joe Schmucker and Janet
- Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Albracht and Family
- Mr. and Mrs. Carol Birkenfeld and Family
- Charley, Beverly, Todd and Traci Hill
- Rose Birkenfeld
- Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kleman
- Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Schmucker
- Larry and Win Wagner
- The Jim Ball Family
- Albert Gerber Family
- The Walter Kern Family
- Josephine, Urban and Fred Ball
- Mary Harlan
- Mr. and Mrs. Dicky Schacher and Son
- Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hoelting and Family

Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I want an evel Knievel stunt set and a batman and Robin set and a Hook and Ladder. Please bring Mom and Dad a nut cracker set.
Love,
Kenneth Paul Wilhelm

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a Chevrolet truck and a Farm Truck and an International Tractor and a disk and a plow. Bring Mother and Daddy what they want. Give something nice to my family. I love you.
Wade Drerup

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby Alive and an ice cream cone machine and a jewelry box and a cabinet for my doll clothes and a Mrs. Beasley doll. Bring Melinda a football. Bring Dad and Mother what they want.
Love,
Melissa Finley

Dear Santa,
I want an Evel Knievel Sky Canyon Cycle and a Motorized Auto Transport. I would also like a Vertibird Rescue ship. I love Rudolph and you! If you look on the table you will find some hay and cocoa.
Russell Acker

Merry Christmas,
This is Charlotte. I want a baby That-A-Way doll.
Love,
Charlotte Heck

Dear Sant,
I hope you hove a nice Christmas. I want a croquet set and a Kiddie City. Come to our Christmas Pageant.
Love,
Shawn Wilhelm.

Dear Santa,
I want a bike with training wheels. I want Etch A Sketch. I live in Nazareth. I love you.
Randy Hochstein

Dear Santa Claus,
I have tried to be a good boy. Will you please bring me a big wheel with a saddle bag and a racing brake. I also want a sled for me and my little brother Bobby. Could you also give me a crash-up-derby set. Please bring my 7 brothers and 2 sisters something nice. Be good to the poor people and help them have a Merry Christmas. Have a safe trip and God bless you.
Love,
Kenny Kern

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. For Christmas I would like to have a pickup and trailer with horses and a tractor with a plow to do my farming. Please bring all my brothers and sisters something. Don't forget Emaline in Yukon. Thank you Santa for the past years.
Love,
Craig Huseman

Dear Santa,
I wish you a Merry Christmas! I would like a Putt-Putt Speedway, and an electric train. Daddy needs a new Stetson and Mama wants a cake pan. Remember my teacher, too, because she's great! Bring Rudolph when you come!
Alan Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,
Please come to our house. I want a pistol and a rifle. I want a play horse and a live pony. And I want a toy bear. I try to be good.
Love,
David

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the first grade. Please bring me a fire truck, a Western Rifle and Double-Holster, and a Tool Belt, and a Target Set, Putt-Putt Railroad, Mightly Loader. Please bring my brothers and sister something too.
Merry Christmas,
Leroy Schulte.

Dear Santa,
I want a grain truck with cattle racks on it and tuff stuff. I want a toy movie camera, too. Please bring Daddy and the boys some C.B.s
Love,
Phillip Durbin

Dear Santa,
I want a pop gun and a tractor and a truck. Please bring Mama and Dad what they want.
Love,
Paul Bermea

Dear Santa Claus,
I will try to be nice. Will you bring me a walkie talkie and the 6 million dollar man and a race car track, a dinosaur book that opens. A rifle and a nerf football. Bring me and Traci bibles.
Thank you. Love,
Todd Hill

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room. I am nine years old. For Christmas I want a Holly Hobby doll, a Groovy Snoopy viewer and some barbie doll clothes. Santa Clause I love you more than my Christmas candy you give me!
Your best friend,
Joyce Schilling

Dear Santa Claiss,
Im in the third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room and my name is Stephen McCown. I don't want anything but whatever you bring me I will like.
Your friend,
Stephen McCown

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm in Mrs. Rattcliffs Third Grade room. I want a Barbie case and some Barbie clothes but best of all I want a picture of your dear Mrs. Claus and the deer flying in the air and your elves at work. I love you even if you are chubby.
Your friend,
Christina Hedrick

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room. I want a bicycle and football for Christmas. I am your friend.
Love,
Richard Lindsey

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room. I want a mini-bike, rapes, walkie talkie, Rockum Sockum Robot and a B.B. gun.
Your friend,
Bobby Gill

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in Mrs. Ratcliffs room. I am a good girl and I want a TV, Sunshine Family Van, a baby, and a tap recordr. I know that the other gifts are at home.
Love,
Mimi Barrera

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room. I want you to get me a pocket size camra, and a doll that walks and talks. I want a Sunshine Family Van, a play T.V. that winds, and Stero. And I want a piano, and a bike too.
Your friend,
Maria Nifa Sanchez

Dear Santa,
I am in third grade in Mrs. Ratcliff's room. I want a stereo-8 track tape, five speed bike, picture of Rudolph and the elves, camera, Pay Day, basketball, C.B. radio, and Sunshine Family Van. I hope you are not sick on Christmas.
Love,
Kyla Boozer

Dear Santa,
I would like a baby That away, a Baby Dreams, a easy bake oven, a bike, and a sewing machine. Oh and a record player. Santa please don't forget what I want. Happy Christmas.
Love,
Nita Fowler



star of wonder

May the light of the Christmas star enter your heart and home this season—filling them with lasting joy and peace. To our patrons we would like to express our thanks for the loyalty shown to us.

H&S FARM SUPPLY

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