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 James, Patricia, Randy, Tresa & Cheryl Powell
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 Glenn & Koma Ratcliff
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 Rachel Summers
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 The Ted Sheffys
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 The Truman Touchstone Family
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 Mr. & Mrs. Doyl Underwood & Girls
 Roy Dale Underwood & Family
 Mr. & Mrs. Rex Wooten, Dudley & Joyce
 Mr. & Mrs. John Womack & Children
 Mr. & Mrs. Dewey Wright & Dorothy
 Myrtle Williams
 Bruce & Maxine Wooddell
 Thelma Wethington & Family
 Mrs. E. B. Wright, Plainview
 Mr. & Mrs. James Welch & Children
 Mr. & Mrs. Frank S. Wise & Family
 Mr. & Mrs. Buck Word
 The Dale Winders Family
 Verle L. West & Family
 Donald J. Wright & Family
 Billye Wesson
 Mr. & Mrs. Allan Webb & Family
 The Carroll Webb Family
 Mr. & Mrs. Richard Wooten
 Lilla Mae Wright
 Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Youts



Our entire community rejoices this Christmas in the completion and dedication of the beautiful new First Baptist Church, where the story of the Christ Child will be taught to generations still unborn. In this scene, the church choir heralds the opening of the church during the first service

in the new sanctuary. Those of us of all faiths are grateful for this unique gift to our community, for the strength it lends to us, and for its dedication to that faith that was born on the first Christmas, long ago.

This is your Christmas greeting from each of us. Instead of sending individual Christmas cards, we have donated our card money to the Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary to benefit your family and ours during the coming year. It is our hope that Christmas 1970 will be a joyous and meaningful one for you, and that you and yours will enjoy the richest of God's blessings during the New Year.

Merry Christmas

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



Dear Santa,
Please bring me a race track, on Christmas, and a cattle truck, and a pick-up and a trailer and a tractor and a plow. Bring something good to all my family.

Love,
Benny Schacher

Nazareth, Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade in Nazareth School. I want a tractor and a bike, and a road building set, and a cattle truck, and a football. Bring Liz a Barbie doll, and a Baby go bye-bye doll. Dale wants a pick-up and a jet. Chris will write his own letter.

Thank you, Santa.
Steven Albracht

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a Dart Gun set, a Big 50 Tuff Boy truck, and a balloon set. Please bring a Hands-Down card game. I am in the first grade in Nazareth. Bring something to everybody in the whole world.

Thank you,
Johnny Hochstein

Nazareth Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade. I go to Nazareth School. Please bring me an Easy-Bake oven and a Barbie doll, and a bike with training wheels.

Thank you for everything,
Karen Huseman

Dear Santa,
I am six years old. I go to Nazareth School. I want a gun belt and an electric train.

I love you,
Joe Olvera

Dear Santa,
I am six years old. I want a bike and a truck, and a bird in a cage.

Jesus Garcia

Dear Santa Claus,
This is what I would like to have for Christmas. Angel Baby doll and Pom Pom Game, some other Games. Please Santa, would you bring me a copertone oven with cake mix and biscuit mix and other kinds of mixes and some dishes.

Thank you,
Love Jean Schulte

Nazareth, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am six years old. I go to Nazareth school. I want a semi-trailer cattle truck, and a bike, and a pick-up, and a tractor. Come to see us Christmas.

Love,
Tommy Braddock

Dear Santa,
Please may I have a Barbie Doll? And may I have a Barbie doll car. And may I have a Barbie doll house. And may all of us have a bike. I love you. I am in the first grade.

Love, Danelle Schmucker

Nazareth, Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I am seven years old. Bring me a doll that can talk. The twins want a little doll. Bring something for Dad and Mama and all the family.

Love,
Sylvia Sifuentez

Nazareth Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I am six years old. I try to be good. I like school. I am in the first grade. I go to Nazareth School. I want a crane and please bring a Etch-A-Sketch. Bring all my family what they want.

Thank you,
Paul Verkamp

Dear Santa,
I want an Easy Bake oven. And I want a RING RING. And I want a CLICKETY CLICK. And I want a NURSERY PHONE'N. And I want a surprise box. And I want a Take and See. And I want a PLUG'N PLAY. And I want a COIN CHANGER.

Love, Sylvia Trevino

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl, seven years old. I help my mother. I would like for you to bring me a Cinderella watch, a Paper Flower Kit, some stretch boots and a bracelet for Christmas. Please don't forget all the other boys and girls.

Your friend,
Janet Warren

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a very good girl this year. I want a Chalk Board, I want a Baking set and an oven, too. I go to Nazareth School.

Love, Roxane Birkenfeld

Dear Santa Claus
I am in the first grade. For Christmas I want a truck and some little animals. And I want a little bike.

Virgil Huseman

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Please bring my four brothers and me a trampoline. I want a Crazy Car and a pop corn popper.

Thank you
Joe Kleman

Merry Christmas.

Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old. Please bring me a Dancerina doll, Dynamite Shack game, a big stuffed animal, and a Sweeper Set, and a Nursery Phone. I am in the first grade. I go to Nazareth school. Merry Christmas!

Donna Kay Acker

Dear Santa,
I want a Dawn Fashion Doll. Go Go boots, operations game and dishes.

Love, Elaine Wilhelm

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade in Nazareth School. I want a Baby-go by doll and an eraser. Richard wants a football. Ramiro wants a big bike. I want a bike with training wheels. I am a good girl.

Love,
Hilda Bernal

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Buck-a-roo, a Wonder Window, and an Activity Box.

Thank you,
Patricia Schacher
Nazareth, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a set of dishes and a doll. If you still have some tiger scrubbers, I would like to have one. I don't have any new dolls. Please bring me some clothes for my old doll. We will have fun with the toys you are a good friend of mine.

Your friend,
Karen Birkenfeld
Nazareth, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a gun, a tractor and a plow.

Your friend,
Rodney Heiman
Nazareth, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a horse that moves and bends his neck, a man that goes with the horse, a sheriff's western suit, chaps, play car, dolls. Please bring me some cloth.

Yours truly,
Calvir Schulte
Nazareth Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a trampoline, Go-Go boots, a rag doll, and a bulletin board.

Thank you,
Brenda Hoelting
Nazareth, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Play skool, School Bell Chime, Juvenile Art Set, and a Picture Maker.

Your friend,
Elizabeth Wilhelm
Nazareth, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Johnny West and his horse, a Police Cycle, a tick-tack toe game, a Hoppity Hop, and a Wagon. Please bring my three brothers something too.

Your friend,
Wayne Backus
Nazareth, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a rube, pajamas and househoes.

Your friend,
Lisa Brockman
Nazareth, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a toy Match Box car, gun, Hot Wheels, and an airplane, train, and a Monkey and a football.

Your friend,
Doyle Warren
Nazareth, Texas

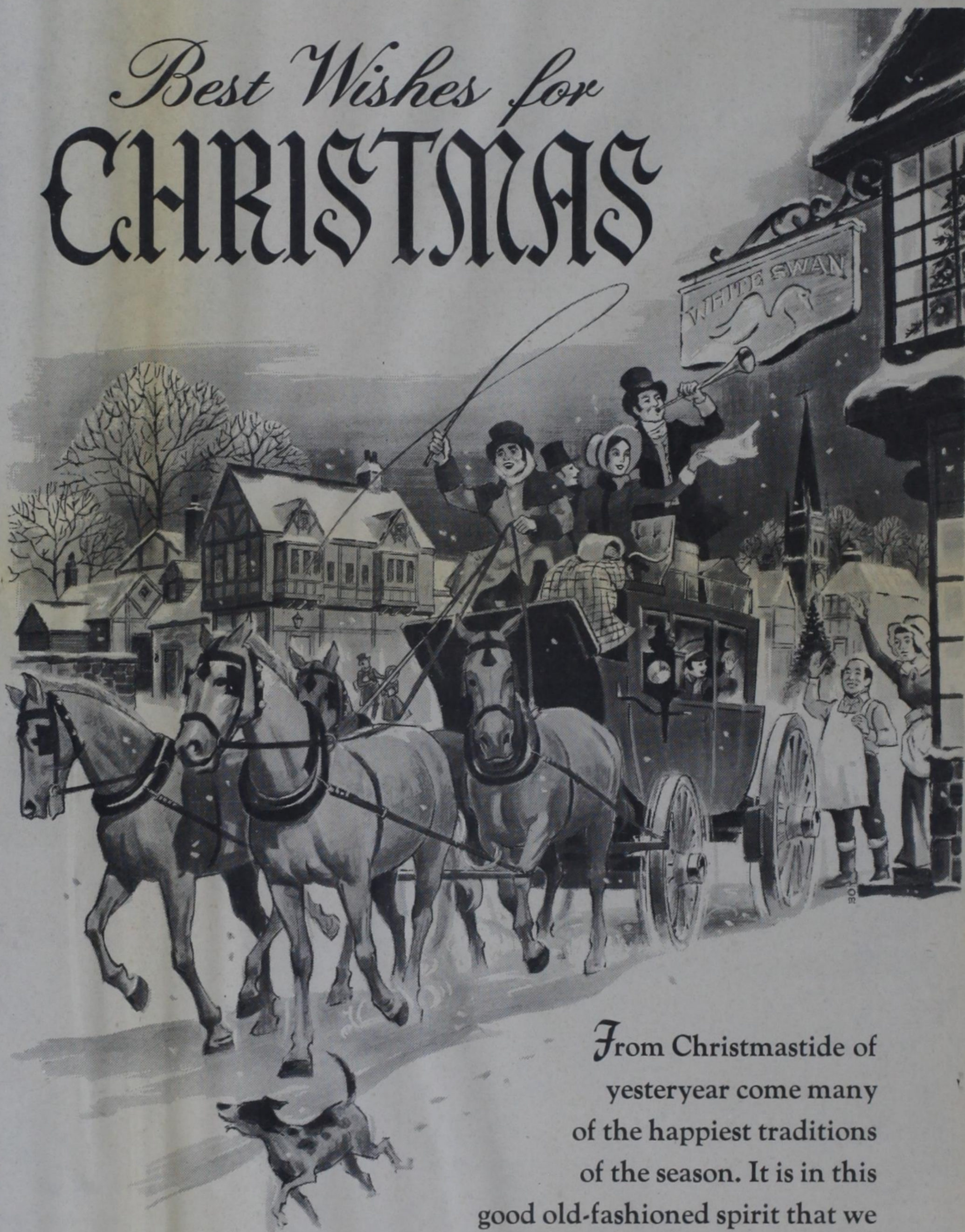
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, some dishes, and a play kitchen.

Norma Linda Bermeo
Your friend
Michael Kerr
Nazareth, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bicycle, dol and some candy.

Thanks
Lea Ann Husemar
Nazareth, Texas

Best Wishes for CHRISTMAS



From Christmastide of yesteryear come many of the happiest traditions of the season. It is in this good old-fashioned spirit that we greet you, and wish you all the best the holidays can bring. A very merry Christmas, everyone! We thank you, our customers, for your friendly patronage... serving you is our pleasure, and an enduring privilege.

Joe Cowen Agency
Real Estate Insurance

GREETINGS

May the peaceful spirit of the Christmas Season fill our hearts with brotherhood and good will. It gives us deep pleasure to extend fondest wishes for Happy Holidays to all!

BIG T PUMP CO.

George — Barbara — Henry — Dean — Charlie — Cecil — Butch — Jackie

"Dear Santa: I've Tried to Be Good, and I Want ..."



Route T, Box 8
Nazareth, Texas
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a beg dog, a Nurse Kit, Knee High Boots, and a Sno-cone maker. Please don't forget the poor, and the soldiers all over the world. Thank you and Merry Christmas. Please give everybody what they want.
Love,
Gaylene Wilhelm

Box 165
Nazareth, Texas 79063
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a happy Christmas. Please bring me a Watch, Crissy Doll, and Bead'n Bag'n things. Please visit all the sick in the hospitals too, and make them happy. Make my brother well for Christmas. Don't forget my mother and father, and the men in the service. Thank you Santa.
Love,
Roanne Acker
Box 173

R. R., Box 26
Nazareth, Texas 79063
Dec. 10, 1970

Dear Santa Claus,
I want you to please give gifts to the poor people. I like you very much because you remind me of Jesus Christ. Please make our boys in South Vietnam happy. Please give something to Mother and Daddy, Donna, Doug, Alan, and Daniel too. For Christmas please bring me Babby go-by-by and her buggy, the Last Stow and a Musical typewriter. Mother wants every one to be well. Thank you for the nice gifts you gave us.
Love,
Michele Acker

Happy, Texas
Rt. 2, Box 82
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good little boy all year. For Christmas I want a tractor, trailer, truck and trike. Would you please bring these for me? Thank you!
Shawn Wilhelm
Age 1 1/2 years

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bike and a Baby-Go-Bye-Bye doll.
Loretta Book
Nazareth, Texas

Route T, Box 17
Nazareth Texas 79063
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a guitar and a mighty loader. Please bring a mini bike for the whole family. Remember the boys in Vietnam and the poor. Please don't forget the old folks. I hope you have a Merry Christmas. We will have fun.
Your friend,
Greg Birkenfeld

Box 124
Nazareth, Texas 79063
Dec. 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is an Easy Bake Oven. Please don't forget my mother and father, grandmother and grandfather. Please don't forget all the soldiers in South Vietnam that are fighting for us day and night. Make them just as happy as the people in the world. Merry Christmas Santa and a Happy New Year. Thank you.
Love,
Debbie Schacher

Box 76
Happy Texas 79042
Dec. 10, 1970

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a Barbi Doll and an umbrella. Dorothy Ann wants a Barbi Doll and an umbrella too. Theresa Rose wants a toy boat and an umbrella. Damian wants a toy cow, horse, pig, and a lamb. We hope there will be peace in the world. Henry wants a Set of Sockets. Cecil wants a Tractor Set. Stephen wants a Dirt Equipment. We have all been good. Thank you Santa Claus.
Love,
Mary Beth Wilhelm

R. R. N
Tulia, Texas
Dec. 10, 1970

Dear Santa Claus,
This is what I want for Christmas. Please I want a gun with a scope on it and one that shoots bullets. Just one gun that has all that. Please I want a S.S.P just one. Please I want a Detective set, O.K.? Don't forget my parents. Don't forget the Army guys of South Vietnam, of America, and the Airforce. Remember the poor. Merry Christmas.
Love,
Leon Huseman

Jean Marie Wilhelm
Rt. 2 Box 82
Happy, Texas
79042

Dear Santa Claus,
Would you please bring me a baby go-by-by doll? If you can't find any toys like I want, bring me anything. Don't forget my three brothers and five sisters. Thank you very much.
Love,
Jeanie Wilhelm

Box 124
Nazareth, Texas 79063
Dec. 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
Hear is what I want for Christmas. Please will you bring me a Crissy doll, a watch, a poncho and a slack set. Please bring nice things for the rest of the family, for the poor, the soldiers, and the rest of the kids. Thank you Santa, and Merry Christmas.
Love,
Lisa Pohlmer

Route D, Box 52
Nazareth, Texas 79063
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Timex watch, a Walky Talky, and a tiger skin sleeping bag with a tent. Don't forget my parents, and please do everything you can to make the poor people happy Christmas.
Merry Christmas Thank you
Love,
Darryl Acker

Box 187
Nazareth, Texas 79063
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
Please I want a Barbi Doll, an Umbrella, a Doll that grows long or short hair named Velvet. Please don't forget my parents and the soldiers all over the world. Thank you. Merry Christmas Santa!
Love,
Nadine Jones

Route D, Box 7
Nazareth, Texas 79063
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a Miniature Matchbox Country Set with the cars, trucks, tractors, combines, trailers and a 5020 tractor. Please don't forget anybody in the world. Please help South Vietnam people. Thank you and Merry Christmas!
Yours truly,
Jeffrey Schmucker

R. R. Box 17
Nazareth Texas 79063
December 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
Please may I have a Mighty Grader. I would also like a Mighty Shovel, and a Mighty Loader. Please bring me a toy gun. I hope you don't forget the poor and my family. Don't forget the men who are being killed to keep us free. Merry Christmas Santa and Thank you.
Your stop on Christmas,
Dewayne Heck

R. R. 2, Box 204
Nazareth, Texas 79063
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
I don't want many toys for Christmas. I hope you could please bring a B, B, Gun. Don't forget the South Vietnam. Please bring something for my little sister. Don't forget the poor. I hope you give my mother and father something. Thank you Santa and a HAPPY NEW YEAR.
Love,
Val Steffens

Dear Santa,
Please send me a dollhouse and some houseshoe and a housecoat. Please send Marlin a tromp-line. Please send Wade some tools and a farm set. Please send Dorothy a little puzzle and a coloring book Please send Phillip a little toy clock. Please send my little baby a little picture of Santa. Please send Father a TV set. Please send Mother a sack of candy for our Family.
Love,
Edith Durbin

Dear Santa,
Please send me a easybakeoven and a dollhouse and a case and clothes for my barbra doll and a ring that changes colors and a bracelet and a piano for the hole family, and a box of cardy. Pleas don't forget my Mether and Father and two brothers. I go to school at Nazareth and I am in the second grade. Merry Christmas. Come to see us.
Love,
Leona Klemas

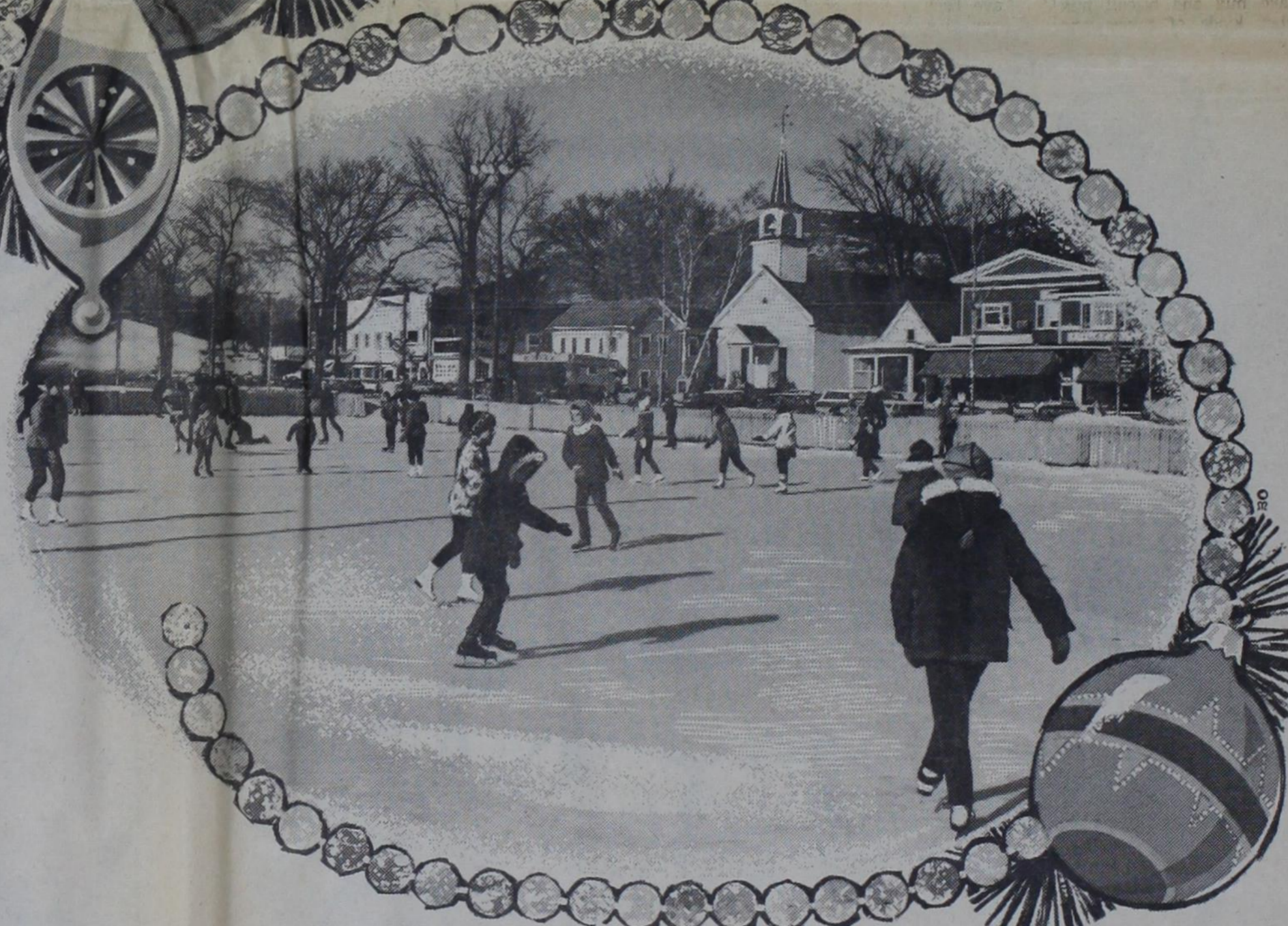
Dear Santa,
I love you. You are very nice. I want an Easy Bake oven I want a Barbie doll. And I want a set of dishes.
Love, Ora Jean Jainer
I am 6.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a dining room table, a Glamour Doll, dishes, and a Dawn Fashion Doll.
Your friend,
Denise Acker
Nazareth, Texas

Christmas Greetings



Holiday joy is twice as sweet when it comes from simple things... cherished things...our homes, our children, our friends. May the true pleasures of Christmas be yours.



Thank you, sincerely, for your friendly good will.



JOY AT CHRISTMAS

In scripture, song and prayer, the true spirit of Christendom's most joyous day lives anew, as we once again celebrate Christmas. That the radiant joy of the season may be yours in fullest measure is our sincere wish.

CASTRO CO-OP GIN
EARL CHANEY, Manager

Hays Implement Co.

Children's Letters to Santa Claus



Box 81
Nazareth, Texas
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Mighty car carrier, a guitar, a combine and a big railroad work train, and a S.S.P. Please don't forget the poor people and my family, Thank you.

Love,
Harold Wilhelm

Box 144
Nazareth, Texas 79063
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
Please bring me an electric saw, and don't forget the South Vietnam. Don't forget Mom and Dad.

Love,
Gary Book

Box 164
Nazareth, Texas 79063
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a Power-Mite, John Deere Combine and a Timex watch. Don't forget to bring all the parents some gifts. Remember to give the poor people some gifts. Make the soldiers happy in South Vietnam. Thank you and a Merry Christmas.

Love,
Leland Hoelting

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a boys bike, Snoopy and the Red Baron, Matchbox city, Shell Service Station, my parents a present and the others what they want. I am in the second grade at Nazareth, Texas. Please come to see us Merry Christmas.

Love,
Dale Hoelting

Dear Santa,
Please send me a truck for Christmas. Please remember my Mother and Father. Please remember my bothers and sisters I am in the second grade in Nazareth, Texas.

love thank you
Walter Verkant

Dear Santa,
Please send me a football, tools, bebegun.
Please send my brotcrs minibike and a rope.

Thank you
Love,
Gregory Huseman

Dear Santa,
Please send me a doll name New Velvet. Please send me a round suitcase and Go-Go Boots. Please send my brother a football and I've got another brother and he wants a pop gun. Remember my parents and my brothers and sisters. I am in Nazareth Second Grade School. Thank you. Merry Christmas.

Love,
Sharon Gerber

Dear Santa,
Please send me a doll and a Easy Bake Oven and a bracelet and doll named Skipper. Also a box of candy and some house shoes and some go go boots. My brother wants a football. do not for get my whole Family. love, Lula I am in the second grade at Nazareth

Dear Santa,
Please send me a big farm set. And a case trator. Send me a watch. Send me a truck. Send me a race track. Send me cowboy boots. Send me a barn to send me a come bine. Send me trees for my farm. Send me a disk Send a little hay for my cows and horses.

love,
Randy Huseman

Dear Santa,
Please send me a washing machine and a trampoline and purse and a Barbie doll and clothes. And some present for my mother and my father. Send my mother perty dress and a suit for my father.

Merry Christas.
Love,
Deliha Ann Gomez

Dear Santa,
Please send me a international dump tractor and combine, and one walky-talkys, and a bee-bee gun. And give my mother and my father and my brother each a good present. Thank you.

Love,
Rodney Kleman
Nazareth, Texas

Dere santa claus
I want a angel doll and some other thangs. happy, happy new year.

Love,
Maria B.
Love, Chris Abracht

Dear Santa,
Please send me a billfold and some go-go boots. Give Standley a fee ball. Give us all a trampoline. Give Brad a truck. He is one. Give Curtis a cowboy hat. Give my Mother a jewelry box. Give my Daddy a house coat. I am in the second grade.

Thank you,
Santa
Love
Rebecca Hoelting
Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,
Please send me a combine and I want a truck and a tractor and I want a race track and I want a electric football game. Thank you I am in the second grade and Im in the Nazareth school and do not for get my sisters and mommy and daddy.

Love,
Kent Hoelting

Dear Santa,
Please send me a football and a gun. Send father tools. Send Wayne a Ricky gun too. Send Mother forks. Send me a football suit.

Thank you,
Love
Merry Christmas
Lester Backus
Nazareth, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please send me a dollhouse and a purse b-b gun and some presents for my parents and washing machine and clothes and a football for my brother and a ball for my little sister and some a ball for my brother.

Merry Christmas Thank you
Nazareth Texas School
Brenda Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,
Please send me a targetgun Please send me a peirof ring for a horse. I want a rope, and a football.

Thank you Love Bryan Huseman

Dear Santa,
Please send me a record player with a cane ca it and a GAF Talking viewmaster. I am in the second grade. And I want some Disneyland records and a Philadelphia football stocking. Thank you Santa.

Love,
Chris Abracht

Dear Santa,
Please send me a football and two dolls for my little sistas and send my mothe a machine and send my little brother a toy and send my mothe and father for all thy need and send me a minibike. I am in the second grade at Nazareth.

thank you,
Santa
Love
Agapito Garcia

Dear Santa,
Please send me a Dallas football suit and a truck. Please do not forget my Brother and my Sisters and my Mommy and Daddy.

Love
Gerry Kleman
Thank you
I wish you a Merry Christmas.

Dear Santa,
Please send me a White fur coat, a Frainc with grown pretty hair, a barbie doll house, And don't forget Mommy and Daddy and my brothers and sister. And don't forget I'm in the second grade. And thank you.

Merry Christmas!
Love,
Laura Kleman

Dear Santa,
Please send me a girl doll with clothes and a big the pure. Please send a talking pigy tank and send somethings for my brothers and sisters and parents. I am in the second grade at Nazareth Texas. God Bless You!

Thank You!
Love,
Christine Huseman

Dear Santa
Please send me a football And a tee and a football suit.
To Santa from Hugh Wilhelm
Merry Christmas

Dear Santa Clause
I want a desk and a baby a toy box with a shelf on top of it and two games.

Valorie Ann Klorse

Dear Santa,
I would like a Marine Suit.

Jeff Lee

Dear Santa Claus,
I love you very much because you are nice to girls and boys. I want a doll that her hair grows. And Marry Christmas Santa Claus

You love
Dolores Ochoa

Dear, old Santa
I want a hazard-hill-race set and I want a brown Indian vest and I want a fuzzy blanket like my Mom and Dad's and I want for the Vietnamese children too have a good Christmas.

Sincerely Yours,
Lane Langford

Dear Santaclaus
I want a paper for Christmas in a box but a. I want was color for Christmas in a box but a. I want a pencil two Christmas jin a box but.

Irma Garcia Idila

Dear Santa Claus
I am a good boy and I am glad Christmas is here but I like a Hot wheel set Marry Christmas Santa Claus.

fome Daniel Jaso

Dear Santa Claus
For Christmas I want a Hot Wheelo set Santa Claus Marry Marry Christmas to you all.

Marry Christmas
form your boy
Vincente Salinas

Dear Santa Claus.
I want a baby tender love and a Chalk board and hair stiling Doll.

Cleta Pat Harbour
to santa

Dear Santa
Please bring my a doll

Teresa Adame

Dear Santa,
Please send me some tinker toys and tractor and wagon. Please give the other what they want. I am in Nazareth Secnd gade.

Thank you
Love
Joe Hochstein

Dear Santa,
I want som dishs and I want a doll.

Love Diana

Dear Santa,
Please send me and Pierce an electric train and please send me all my G.I. Joe toys and my Charlie Brown picture maker. Please send Tony all the things he wants like Hot Wheels. Please send Cyrilla all the things she wants and do not forget mommy and dady and get Pierce all the things he wants.

Love Perry Brockman
Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,
Please send me a football and a helmet and a shirt that has number 22. And send me a helmet that saids cowboys onit. And I want a pir of walky talkys and I want a bebe gun. Please don't forget my mother and father and my borthers and sister. And send me a shirt and the pants and a ted bike.

Thank you Santa
Love
Hector Bernal

Merry Christmas

Good tidings are coming your way from the bottom of our hearts on this special day, and with our wishes go our thanks for letting us serve you.

Cobb's

GREETINGS

Over the fields and through the snow-covered countryside go our warmest Christmas wishes. In this tradition, we greet our friends and customers, with hopes for your holiday happiness, and with genuine appreciation for your good will.

CASTRO COUNTY GRAIN CO.

Christmas Greetings

We join Santa in taking this opportunity to wish all of our customers and friends a Merry, Merry Christmas. May your holiday be rich with the joys and blessings of happy family unity and warm friendships. It's been our pleasure to serve you.

Higginbotham-Bartlett Co.

Get a Bigger Sleigh, Santa Claus!



Nazareth Texas 79063
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
I love you very much. I want a talking doll. Don't forget all my family and the poor people, and the soldiers at South Vietnam. Don't forget anybody Santa. Have a Merry Christmas Santa.
Love,
Elena Sifuentez

Route T, Box 16
Nazareth, Texas
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
Please do not forget the Poor of the world, and my parents. Santa please don't forget me. I want an Operation game and a Lectra 3 Power Bike, S.S.P., Feeley Meeley, Football Suit, and a football, Snoopy Says, Walkie Talkie and a color TV for our family. Merry Christmas Santa, and thank you.
Your Truly,
Ivan Schacher

Dear Santa,
This is what I want for Christmas. I want a bike. Bring Doris a doll. Doris is my twin sister. I go to Nazareth school. I am in the first grade. Merry Christmas
Love,
Dick Steffens

Box 1
Nazareth
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
I want a Crissy doll, a box of candy, a necklace-maker, a typewriter, Merry Christmas, and a happy new year. Don't forget the poor children. Thankyou.
Love
Cindy Ehly

Box 246
Nazareth, Texas 79063
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a typewriter and Peggy Pen Pal. Don't forget my parents, the soldiers in South Vietnam, and the poor. Please bring me some clothes too. Merry Christmas and thank you Santa.
Love,
Dianne Hochstein

Nazareth, Texas
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa Claus,
I love you and my mother and my father. I want to tell you not to forget the soldiers in South Vietnam and everywhere. I want a hand watch, and a BB gun that's all. Merry Christmas and a happy new year.
Love,
Juan Garcia

Route D, Box 137
Nazareth, Texas 79063
December 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a electric football game. I would like a rc'c'm seek'em rcbo.s. I would like a typewriter also. Please do not forget my parents. Please do not forget my whole family. Please bring things to the poor. Thank-you for everything.
Love,
Norman Gerber

Box 217
Nazareth, Texas 79063

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Football Suit and a Snowmobile. Please don't forget the poor and soldiers of the world. Please don't forget my family. Merry Christmas! Thank you for everything.
Love,
Jimmy Kern

Route D., Box 43
Nazareth Texas
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a barbie doll with clothes and shoes and hangers. Please bring me a pair of brown leather shoes. Please don't forget my Aunts and Uncles, my grandmas and grandpas, and our boys in South Vietnam. Please don't forget the poor children and their mothers and fathers. Don't forget my brother Jeffery, my sisters Leomida, Natalie, Allison, and Kathleen. Please don't forget my parents. Merry Christmas to you Santa, and every one in the world.
Love,
Nadine Durbin

R. R. 2 Box 82
Happy Texas 79042
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
Could you please bring me a Hot Wheels Sizzlers Track with three cars. Please don't forget the poor and the men fighting all over the world for us. I thank you every year, Santa.
Love,
Dale Wilhelm

R. R. D.
Nazareth, Texas 79063
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa Claus,
Please give me a set of Mini Mite Tools, I would like a B.B. gun. Please don't forget my family, or Grandmother, please don't forget the poor, or the soldiers that are fighting to keep us free. I hope you have a Merry Christmas Santa Claus.
Love,
David Huseman

Dear Santa,
Nazareth School
Dec. 9, 1970

I want a Baby go Bye Bye doll, and a stocking full of candy, a musical clock.
Dorothy Ann Wilhelm
Nazareth, Texas

Dear Santa,
I want a trampoline.
Love,
Debra Dennis

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bicycle and a doll that walks and talks and I want a cozy-bake-oven and I want a color TV and I want a notebook and I want a girls watch and I want an alarm clock and I want a pair of go go boot and I want a coloring book and I want a basket and a basket ball and I want a big big box of candy as big as you can fire and I want a big sack of dines and I want a picture of yours and I want a purse and I want a little refrigerator and a cid with a little bed where she can sleep on and I want a little horse of plastic to play. goodby dear Santa Claus I wish you were he and I could see you for real I don't believe in you.
From: Rachel, P. O. Box 160,
Dimmitt, Texas 79027

Route D, Box 46
Nazareth, Texas 79063
December 10th, 1970

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! Please give me a sleeping bag, and a thread designer. I hope everybody else gets what they want. You remind us of Jesus Christ our Saver. Thank-you Santa. Hope you get what you want, too.
Love,
Teresa Brockman

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a P. J. Barbie doll, a sitting-up Snoopy, house shoes, a necklace, and a Baby Buttons doll.
Your friend,
Vera Ramaekers
Nazareth, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for the nice gifts you gave me last year for Christmas. May I please have a Johnny West set and Electric train for Perry and me. I love you.
Pierce Brockman

Dimmitt, Texas 79027
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
Please Santa may I have a Eec, Bee Gun, Slinky and Horse-shoes? I hope you can get other children things that they want, and the poor people in the other countries. Don't forget my Parents.
Love,
John Steffens

Dear Santa,
Please send me a football and a b-b gun.
And please do not forget my mother, father and my sisters and brothers.
Thank you
Love,
Patrick Hartman

Merry Christmas
Dear Santa Claus
I want a coloring book of Christmas, and I want jacks too. I want a doll and little dishes. I want crayons for school and paper too.
Gonzales Patricia

Route N,
Nazareth, Texas 79088
Dec. 10, 1970

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring a combine, and I also want a jumbo crane. Please don't forget the poor people. Please don't forget any body in Vietnam, and Pakistan. Merry Christmas Santa Claus.
Love,
Robert Pohlmeier

Dear Santa,
Please send me a football and a Flipstick and smoke guns. Merry Christmas.
From Dwayne Ackar
I am in the second grade at Nazareth, Texas.

Dear Santa,
Please, send me a toy sewing machine and an ironing board. Do not forget my sisters and my brothers and my mother and my father Khank you, Merry Christmas
Love,
Joyce Schacher

Box 18
Nazareth, Texas 79063
December 9, 1970

Dear Santa Claus,
Please, Santa will you bring me a watch and a bike. Will you bring me knee high-boots, a doll named Baby Buttons. Remember my family, my grandparents, and our soldiers that are fighting in Vietnam. Merry Christmas to you Thank you Santa.
Love,
Doretta Ramaekers

Nazareth, Texas
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a truck for Christmas. Please don't forget to bring my Mother and father a few things. Do remember the men that fight for our country. Please don't forget my brothers and sisters. Thank you. Merry Christmas.
A good little boy,
Cary Ackar

Joy to the World



In keeping with the spirit of the season, may we extend the very best of the Christmas holiday to all... also, our thanks for everything.

HENDERSON TV APPLIANCE

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



Christmas is a special time filled with merriment for one and all. We hope your holidays are exceptionally happy, and thanks for making us happy by being a loyal friend and customer.

THE NORTH GIN
BILL BIRDWELL, Manager



Christmas Greetings

To all, we extend warm and happy greetings in the spirit of this most joyous season. It's our privilege to be a part of this fine community and we sincerely hope to continue serving our friends and neighbors in every way.

DEAF SMITH COUNTY REC

Serving Castro, Parmer, Deaf Smith and Oldham Counties

Get a Bigger Sleigh, Santa Claus!



Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle and a Velet and Crissy for Christmas Santa. My little brother want a car for Christmas. My little sister want baby go by by. Rember to bring those things

Your friend
Wanda Ward

Dear Santa,
Sant Claus I want a basketball for Christmas. I'll be asleep waiting for you to come and please bring me a Hot wheel factory and I will have some candy for you on the tabl and I will have a Christmas Gift for you it will be a big surpris try to come to my house first.

Your friend
Gary Don Malone

Dear Santa,
I wat a esebeoven, doly beby gun

Rita Y

Dear Santa
I want a dol

Dear Santa
from Elizabeth Aruijo
1. I want a sat of dish's 2. And color's 3. and a 69 cent ring and I want the rock to be yellow.

Dear Santa
How are you? Please bing me a football. and my brothers and sister A toy.

Dear Santa
I wish that sanu kuls and I want a big track and a little car

Carlos

I love sanukuls

cohaftoes to chera co tar re fat cherans a oen a resant a hftano 8

Lupe

Dear sanukuls
Breing my sm tueys
I Jaun 7

ner sanuclaus
I want a bike far crismus.
plys breing a bike far me and I am 7 yrs old.
I luf sunukuls

Janet Love

I want a bike Santu
Ramon
Dimmitt Texas
Dec. 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
I would like a Crissy, that grows hair. Wendy wants a trampolae, and a Baby Go By-by but mother doesn't want her to have a Baby Go By-by becous she runs on bateries.

Your friend
Katrina Bruegel.

Dear Santa
my little brother wos mor bl the most ac

From reke

Dear Santa,
I want a bootball bobcats suit and a football standard and a B. B. gun and a bicycle and my brother want's the same thing. I am a good boy.

Your friend
Victorino Gamez

Dear sant
I want a francie and a Mistry Date and two wocytocys and a Babby thublienu. I am 7.

Love
Julie

Dear santa
I wood like some walky tolkes and a rock pollisher and a bike I like to see you at the moveses at school I am in the blue groope I am seven three weeks after cristmas I will be 8

from James

Dear Santu clos.
I want a basgat bal game mly name is Brent I'm 8 I Love santu clos.

Dear santa
I want a francie barbie and Mr. mad. and that is all I want for christmas.
Love Kristine age 7 grade 2nd
dear santuclos.
for christmas I want a football with a pump and I want a gun one that is long. and I want lbike. and I am nin yers old.

Rolando

I want bik and a tree bera
I Love you Ralph 8

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a new dress and some crayolas I want some bell botoms like my cousins. I wish I could have a doll too and a easy bake oven and some new shoes and a crissy doll.

Your friend
Barbara Cockaun

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike for Christmas. Will you send me a bike Claus yes or no

the end
Happy Ner You to Santa
happy ner you

Chester Smith

I want a bik and a papepopoe
I love you

9 Adelita

I want a bik and a papepopoe
love you

7 Rose Ann

Dear Santa,
I want a rockpolisher. I hope you will bring me one. I want a rockpolisher most of all.

Your friend
Jimmy Joe Butler

Dear Santa
I want a new coat, a Don doll, a new bicycle, and nine rings. What I want most of all is a new bed room suit and a wig, and a one hundred dollars.

Your friend,
June Norris

Dear Santa,
I want a B. B. gun for Christmas. My Dad and I are going to go duck hunting and get some ducks to eat for dinner.

Your friend,
Jimmy Grosas

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a doll, a record player and records so I could play them on it, and a pink watch too, alot of other toys and a lot of candy, peanuts candy bars, apples and other candy too.

Santa O.K bring them to me? Santa remember to bring them to me. Santa that is all I want you to bring me but at least bring me the watch and Candy.

Merry Christmas.
Your friend
Irene Ortiz

from Donya to santa claus
I want Mistry Date. Babby thublienu and you can Bring me any thing you want. age 8 grade 2nd

Dear Santa Claus,
I want Velvet, a Baby Go Bye bye, and Pen Writer doll-she relly writes. My daddy wants some clothes. My mother wants some clothes, too. My brother wants a real gun. My sister wants a little doll. Santa Claus how are You doing? Santa Claus I will get you some cookies and some milk.

Love,
Pam Nutt

Dear Santa,
I would lik a Baby Tender Love, a game Which Which, some Dawn clothes, Barabas Coillons game, some paints. A Snoopy and the Red Beron game, the Snoopy model, some big stuffed anamails and, a Twister game.

Your friend
Brenda Wilkins

to santuclos. from cliff.
I want a bigwheel. and miny bike. wood you gite me thes. this is the end.

Dear Santa
I want Bycotyfl crisy and a Erdy house with a Barby I want a elect car

Vanesa

I bin very good I love my brother and my mother and my daddy. I want a velvet and a flatsy. the end

Kim Watts

Dear sant clos
I love you ples gev me a bebe gun and a truck and a hot wils ples sant clos I love you a lot

Merry Christmas
Dere Santa clos
I want a Bickeickl My sistr wants a doll My Brother wants a boll Good Bay Santa Clos

Love
Brenda Jo Parker

der Sanu Clos
I want a bow an aro and a car and a cowBoy sut and my Brother want a gun and my other Brother want a 22 rifl and I want a girll frind good bi Sanu Clos

love John

Dear Santa we love your toys.
Bonnie

Dear Santuclos.
bring me lots of toys and bring me a trater and a pickup I am 8 years old and I want a ras track and a bicycle. and a tandem and lots of plaws and a football soot with a hamit and a love JOHN LIVELY

der Sanu kuls
ples preing Me a bik and a glas radn for mi mother to put in the wendo
I luvre you
fum Felix

Dear Santa Claus.
I want a bike for Christmas. Will you send me a bike Claus yes or no

the end
Happy Ner You to Santa
happy ner you

Chester Smith

to santa clous from davlyn
Dear santa
Wood you ples bring me a baby go bey bey and booteyfool crisy and drink and wet baby? I am seven yaey's old? lam in the 2ed grand? I will be a good giul for you? and I want cry at all from Davlyn

Dar canucoe
I wat A Bicycle. And A boll AD A Tie BAR AND A BABY Go By By and a eze bace stov and a wich and a sac uz candy and I am 8 yers old Dar Canuclaf this is al uz I want Annette

Christmas has arrived!
A time for gaily-wrapped goodies, yes, but also the time to count our each and every blessing... and to say thanks to our valued customers. We greatly appreciate your generous consideration. May your holidays be happy.

Tidwell Spraying Service

The Christmas Story

As we celebrate His Birth, we pause to study the true meaning of Christmas. Best of the season to you and your family.

TAYLOR-HARRISON AGENCY

At Christmas

Old-fashioned ways of warm cordiality have a special meaning at Christmas. In this old-time spirit, we wish you holiday joy, ever-new, rich in the blessings of home, family, friends. Merry Christmas!

LaMantia-Cullum & Collier
OF DIMMITT
HOMER WEST, Manager

Merry Christmas

In quiet serenity, let us reflect on the true message of Christmas. May your home and family be blessed with the spiritual joy and happiness that His birth taught us to cherish. With our greetings goes our sincere appreciation.

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Children's Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa
I want a baby tender Love and a don and a Clos

Gay

Dear Sataelos
I want a bicke and a camra and a gautour

love Trent

sant I wot this if I cad gidit I wd

Lynda D'Anne Burris
Dimmitt Texas
Dec. 11, 1970

Dear Santa,
I wish you would bring me a bicycle and a truck. My birthday was Dec 1, 1970. I want a watch for Christmas too. Santa Claus come to my house. Merry Christmas Santa Claus!

Your friend,

Abel Quintero

Dear Santa,
I want a New bicickl. and a baby tender Love and a velvet Love Evelyn

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, a film projector, a coke machine, and a new dress.

Your friend,
Virginia Lindsey

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 11, 1970

Dear Santa,
I want a B B gun for Christmas I want a bicycle too. I want a hct wheel set. I want a sea horse farm too.

Your friend,
Michael Patterson

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a nice girl. And I want a coke maker an a ice cream maker. And two dolls one is named Barby and Skipper and a piano.

I Love you santa,
Roseann Rodriguez

Dimmitt, Texas
December, 19, 1970

Dear Santa,
Would you please bring me filly and tina. How have you been doing? this month? December is my best Month. I'm going to get a Snoopy dog from my mother and father I like you Santa.

Your friend
Janet

Dimmitt Texas
Dec 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
I want a football suit and a football

Your friend,
Thomas Hernandez

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a doll, a bocck, and a doll that walks.

Your friend,
Darlene Sanders

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I want a Road-Grader I have been good I hope I will get a Road-Grader

Your friend
Danny Pevehouse

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 10, 1970

Dear Santa
I'm a good girl. I wish you will bring me a baby go-by-by, stove and a velvet. Give my brother a railroad track and get my two sisters some clothes, one is big and one is middle size.

Your friend
Patricia Ivery

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
I want a Cressy doll, a record player, a Baby-Go-By and a record book, and my little sister would like a little car

Your friend
Rosa Gauna

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
I want you to come to see me bring me a B.B. gun and bring a Santa Claus

Your friend
Armando Aleman

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
I like you and I like toys so I want a car for Christmas and a football and a ball.

Your friend,
Clarence Wright

Dimmitt Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa
How is it out there? How is Mrs. Santa Claus? Do you like the South pol? Do you have a hard time? Your cap is a pretty red rce. I like the things you gave me last year very mush. Please bring some guns, hot wheels, a blue basket for my bicycle some Walkie talkies have a safe trip.

Your friend
Lena McGuire

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I wathe a bicycle for Christmas and a watch and a pair proer Christmas

Your friend
Jerry Foshee

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good girl this year. this year I want a wig and Baby-go-by. and I hope you have a good Christmas and I hope you have enough toys for everyone. I hope you do not get sick on christmas night. Well good-by Santa and a Merry Christmas.

With Love,
Penny

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good boy this year for you. So I would like to tell you what I would like for Christmas. I would like a drum set, a bicycle, and a rock cutter and a thing maker.

Yours truly
Kelly Jee

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I want a mini-bike. I have been a good boy every day. I was some hot wheel cars. I want some sizzlers.

Yours truly,
Jimmy Stewart

Dimmitt, Texas
December 10, '70

Dear Santa,
I hope you're fine. I'm fine and so are my brothers. Well, Santa now I'm going to tell you what I want for X-mas. I want a monopoly game and a real blonde wig that costs 35 dollars and a little finger-ding-doll. Ok Santa. I believe in you Santa. I have been a nice big girl. Say hello to your eaves and to Mrs. Santa. Have a happy holiday.

Yours truly,
Odica Patino

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 11, 1970

Dear Santa,
I have trid to be a nice boy So I would like to tell you what I want. I want a rod runner and I want sizzlers and a drag shoot and a EB gun.

years truly,
Laurence Stephenson

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I am a nice girl Santa. I want a doll Santa please. Santa I love you Santa I want some play dishes I'd like so much a doll.

Merry Christmas Santa
Your truly,
Alma Padilla

Dimmitt, Texas
December, 9, 1970

Dear Santa
I did not have a good toy lat year Do you know what I want for Christmas? I want a sizzler and a track I have been good. Will you bring them?

Yours truly,
Randy Washington

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good girl. I hope you can have a good Christmas. This yea I would like a pair of boots and a Crissy and aIndian purse. Well I think that's all. And I hope you can give one of those things to me. Merry Christmas!

Yours Truly
Cealia

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
Just writing you this letter to say Hello and to tell you what I want for Christmas I want you to send me a football and a bcykatball if you can. I am a good boy this year so please send me what I told you to bring me.

Yours truly,
Robert Hinojosa

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. Will you bring me a Thumbelina Tom Boy and a coke machine.

Your friend,
Anita Straskuli

Dimmitt, Texas
December, 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I tried to be good girl Santa I want a baby Tender Love I will have any thing that you give me Santa I like you You can give me a doll an any thing

You truly
Crisita Lopez

Dimmitt Texas
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
I am a good girl and I want some toys to. I want a ball to play with. I believe in you Santa Claus. We have a Xmas tree in shcl we have to decorated it. I want some games to play. I want a doll with her buggy. My teacher is very nice. I am in third grade. My teachers name is Mrs. Strother. I want a coat to wear and a drees to wear.

Your truly,
Frances Suarez

Dimmitt Texas
Dec 9, 1970

Dear Santa
I have tried to be a good boy. on christmas night I want a guitar I will be a good boy. With love to Santa.

Sherman Johnson

Dear Santa,
I wood like a Guitar, and if you make cammas I wood like one and a Bike

Love Trent Armstrong

from Norman to Santa
Dar Santa please bring me a bike.

Dear Santa
I want a doll bike please bring From Sylvia



THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

As you worship with your family at Christmas, may the true spirit of the season greatly bless you. Sincerely, we extend our greetings.

DIMMITT SAFETY LANE



Here's our cheery greeting for an old-fashioned Happy Holiday! Your friendship and patronage warm our hearts.

ANN'S STEAK HOUSE

merry Christmas

To friends old and new we send our warmest wishes for a Merry Christmas, filled with the joys of giving and receiving. Our thanks to you.



ELLIS GIN CO.

GENE ELLIS, Owner-Mgr.



OLD-TIME GREETINGS

The wonderful old traditions call for people to gather together, to meet with their near and dear. As you and yours celebrate Christmas, we wish for you the true delights of the season.

Parson's Rexall Drug

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Silent Night, Holy Night

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



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



FIRST STATE BANK of DIMMITT

County signs courthouse building contract

The CASTRO COUNTY NEWS

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Smith says he'll block extra water-plan funds

Texas Press Service
Gov. Preston Smith has called



Scattered throughout this issue of the News are Christmas greeting messages from many Dimmitt and area business firms. This is their method of sending a sincere Christmas greeting your way. Turn through the paper and read these messages. They are from the people that try to anticipate your needs, so that they can be in position to supply you with goods and services throughout the year. It is a little early to make New Year's resolutions, but you might be considering one about patronizing these merchants during the coming year.

While we are talking about this issue of the News in particular I might as well mention the advertisements of business firms offering Christmas merchandise at reduced prices. If you have already completed your shopping list for this Christmas, you could really get an early start on your gift buying for next Christmas by taking advantage of the bargains being offered by merchants during this pre-Christmas sale.

The United States Supreme Court says that eighteen year olds must be allowed to vote in elections where national offices are involved. I didn't read the story, just glanced at the headline, so I don't know what reason was given for not declaring some other figure as the legal voting age. Why wasn't the age set at seventeen or nineteen. It has always been considered that a male child reaches his majority at twenty-one, and in many cases that is debatable, so why foul up the election process by having different federal and state voting requirements, I said I didn't read the story, but I do know that the Supreme Court ruled that the states could set the voting age so far as state and local elections are concerned. I'm not being critical, but if the election laws are complicated any more than they already are some of our boxes may not be counted in time for the winning candidate to take office.

If it doesn't rain within the next week, this will go down as the driest year in this area since records have been kept. There has been plenty of moisture in the air, but whatever it takes to get it together in the shape of rain has been missing. Some of the clubs that don't have anything else to do should take on the solving of this problem as a project for the coming year. Merry Christmas.



A BIG SOUND was heard Sunday afternoon by hundreds who gathered in Dimmitt High School auditorium to hear three of the school bands present a fast-moving Christmas concert. In top photo, Director Ralph Smith leads the Dimmitt Junior High School Band in a medley of Christmas

for re-evaluation of Texas' water planning and the possible restructuring of the \$9 billion statewide water plan proposed in 1968.

SMITH told Chairman Marvin Shurbet of the Texas Water Development Board that he will block spending of all water study funds appropriated to the WDB except those obligated under contracts. More than \$1.4 million was appropriated last year for topographic mapping, water studies and investigations. About a third is obligated under contracts.

Gov. Smith called attention to the fact that Texas voters rejected the \$3.5 billion bond issue Aug. 5, 1969, that was designed to pay the state's share of the project's cost.

"In view of the critical shortage of state funds, additional expenditures for water studies and investigations would be inappropriate until we know that they would support whatever revised planning process we should decide to pursue," said Smith in a letter to Shurbet. "Accordingly, it will be the policy of the governor's office to support continued outstanding efforts by the board and its staff as we chart planning."

Jackson home wins contest

First place in this year's home lighting contest went to the Al Jackson family. Their home, located on the Littlefield highway, was decorated with multi-color lights and windows were given a stained-glass effect for the holiday season.

FIRST PRIZE was \$25. Second place prize of \$15 went to the Bob DuLaney family at 1012 W. Lee. Third place winner was the Bill Sava family, 101 NW 12th. The Savas received \$10.

The James Bradford home on the Clovis Highway was awarded honorable mention in the contest, which was sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce.

"There were a lot of houses that should have been entered but weren't," Beta Sigma Phi judges said. Seven homes were entered in the contest this year.

Cold chimneys

(Readings recorded at 7 a.m. daily for the preceding 24 hours.)

	HI	Lo
Thursday	59	29
Friday	70	29
Saturday	68	22
Sunday	43	22
Monday	62	26
Tuesday	54	26
1970 Moisture	8.81	

HOWARD COOK
US Weather Observer

ONE SOURCE said Smith feels that a long-range plan would get more support if citizens could see some concrete, short-term accomplishments in water development.

Smith reportedly may ask the Legislature to submit to the voters a bond program to finance aid to cities for sewage treatment.

The original study plan to bring surplus Mississippi River water to Texas was turned down by the voters. The consensus in Austin is that Texans as well as Mississippians look with disfavor on this idea.

At the DeCordova Bend Reservoir dedication last June 19, Smith declared that Texas cannot postpone development of water resources on a big scale until all controversies about the long-range water plan are resolved.

227 families use 'community card'; \$1,200 deposited

Total income from "Operation Christmas Greeting" this year exceeded \$1,200, according to the First State Bank.

THE MONEY will be used to help build a gift shop in the lobby of Plains Memorial Hospital, according to Mrs. R. E. Wilson, president of the Hospital Auxiliary, beneficiary to the fund.

IN THE past, money has gone to buy needed equipment for the hospital, and last year it was used for beautification and upkeep of Castro Memorial Gardens.

This year, some 227 families donated their Christmas card money to the project.

VFW hosts 300 children Sunday

Almost 300 children attended the Children's Christmas Party given by the Castro County Memorial VFW Post Sunday afternoon.

THE CHILDREN talked to Santa, then were treated to apples, oranges, nuts and candy. It was a busy afternoon for Santa Claus, as all 300 of the children came to the party within an hour's time.

DHS Class of '55 to have reunion

Dimmitt High School's graduating class of 1955 will hold a reunion Saturday at 7 p.m. at the Castro County Club.

The 15th-year reunion is open to all members and friends of the Class of 1955.

Work will start immediately on the expansion of the Castro County courthouse, and by this time next year the county government building should be twice its present size.

WINNER of the construction contract is H. R. Bundock, Inc., of Lubbock, with a low bid of \$415,680. The commissioners' court awarded the building contract to the Lubbock firm last Wednesday after opening two bids.

According to terms of the contract, Bundock will have 365 days to complete the big project, which will double the size of the county courthouse. Bundock already had moved a small construction office onto the courthouse square.

Southern Steel Co. won the contract to outfit the county jail with a bid of \$54,700. Southern's bid was the lowest of two submitted.

TOTAL COST of the expansion project, including the courthouse construction, jail construction and architect's fees, will be approximately \$498,600, County Judge Raymond E. Wilson said.

The opening of bids last Wednesday was the second go-round for the commissioners' court and area builders. The commissioners received original bids on the project earlier this year, but rejected all of them.

After the first round of bidding, the county deleted its plans for a basement in the new annex, which was to have housed a large county library. This alteration of plans came after Mrs. Tyrene Perry of Plainview made a gift of stock valued at approximately \$100,000 to be used to build a separate public library.

MORE THAN half the cost of the courthouse expansion project will be paid by a \$250,000 bond issue approved by the county's voters in 1968. The bond issue carried by seven votes.

The county will be able to pay the rest of the project's cost from general revenues, Judge Wilson said.

When completed, the new courthouse will look from the outside like a larger version of the present county building, with the same white stone block exterior. The new portion of the courthouse will extend southward from the present building.

THE COUNTY jail will take up most of the space in the new annex, with separate facilities for male felons, juveniles and women prisoners. The sheriff's department also will be expanded, and will include a separate, covered service entrance on the south side.

The first floor of the new annex also will include a county courtroom and new office space for the Texas Dept. of Public Safety and the county judge.

On the second floor of the new section will be a district judge's office, new jury room with separate facilities for women, plus storage space, unassigned office space and additional jail facilities.

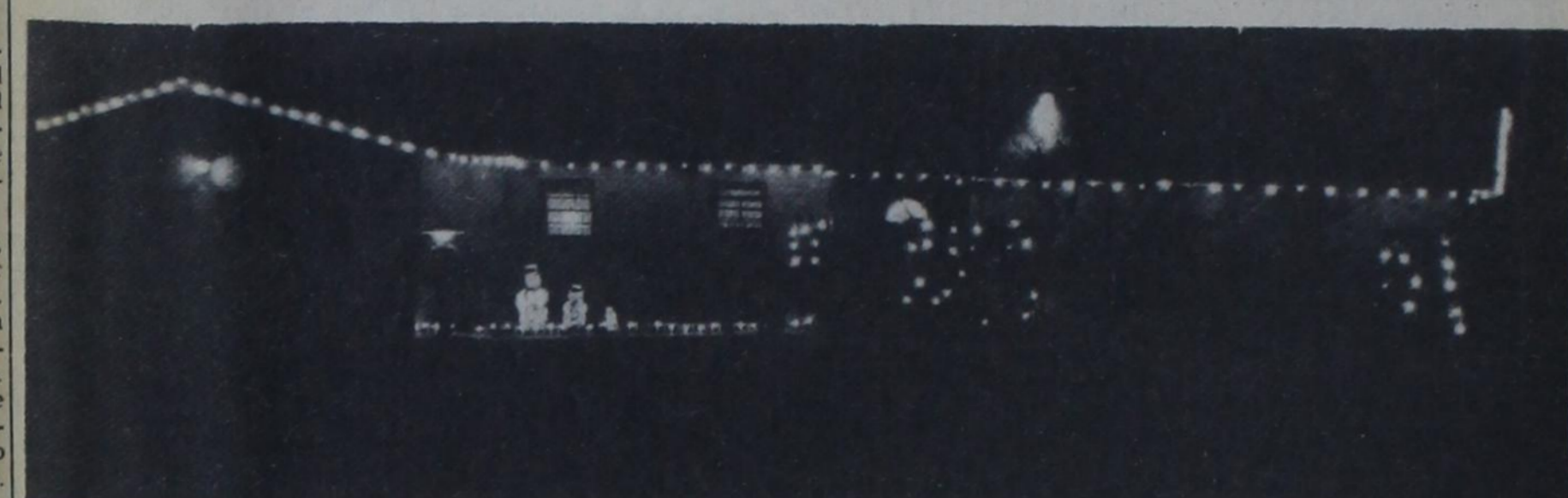
These new facilities will allow the most crowded offices to be expanded in the present building. The county clerk's office, which for years has been the most cramped for space, will be expanded to take in the present offices of the county judge and commissioners' court. The other half of the present first-floor area will be taken up by the enlarged offices of the county tax assessor and the county treasurer. The present basement area will be remodeled into offices for the Extension Service.

Plans also call for a large entrance on the west side of the new courthouse, and parking areas on both the east and west sides.



FIRST PLACE winner in Dimmitt's home lighting contest is the Al Jackson home on the Littlefield Highway. The roofline and eaves are outlined in multi-colored lights, and each upstairs window is bordered in colorful mosaic decal cello and centered with a twinkling star. Both front doors are covered with red foil, and the main door is framed in

a red and green border and centered with large silver bells. The decorated yardlight also has a "stained glass" effect. The home decoration contest was sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. Ladies of Beta Sigma Phi sorority judged the homes.



RUNNER-UP in the Chamber of Commerce home lighting contest is the Bob DuLaney home, 1012 W. Lee St. Rows and clusters of deep red lights outline the eaves and flower bed and adorn the shrubbery. The three snowmen in the flower bed are lighted from within with red bulbs, and the

exterior lights also have been changed to red for the season. Christmas decorations also adorn the front door and kitchen windows. Topping the scene—and accenting it—is a lighted, white-bearded Santa on the roof.



THIRD PLACE in Dimmitt's home lighting contest was won by the Bill Sava family, 101 NW Twelfth St., with this large traditional manger scene. An angel hovers over the manger as a front spotlight illuminates the scene and

throws large shadows of the figures against the walls of the home. The double window at right is framed with multi-colored lights and centered by the family tree, which is adorned with blinking lights.

Servicemen write back

Homemade candy makes big hit

Thank-you letters are coming in from Castro County servicemen around the world who received homemade candy for Christmas.

CANDY WAS mailed to 79 servicemen this year, and many have expressed their thanks in letters to Mrs. Reta Welch, chairman of the project, as well as to individuals who made the candy.

Almost 60 organizations and individuals donated \$415.10 for the expenses and postage for the project, and a balance of \$153.13 is still on hand for use next year.

Top candy makers were Mrs. Dan Heard with 17 pounds, and the junior high school homemaking girls, who made 95 pounds. Jean Bruton filled nine cans, and Mrs. Glenn Taylor made eight cans of candy for the men.

Other organizations that turned in large amounts of candy were the Dimmitt FHA with 62 cans, the women of the Assembly of God Church with 26 cans, the Nazareth FHA with 14 cans and the Sixth Grade Sunday School Class at Fourth and Bedford Street Church of Christ.

HERE ARE the notes and letters of thanks to Mrs. Welch and the other ladies involved in the Candy Project which have been received so far:

Thank you for your box of candy. Unless one has been overseas, you could never comprehend the warmth your gift has bestowed upon a lonely soldier away from home and family during a lonely Christmas vigil. Thank you again for thinking about us.

With many good wishes for the New Year,
THOMAS GARZA
NOB Phu Cuong

Dear Reta,
I want to thank the project of the Castro County Candy on behalf of every one of us who enjoyed the candy.
There are approximately 30 men

here who really enjoyed it. It came as a surprise to me to know that the people back home still appreciate a serviceman.

Also, I wish to thank the junior high school girls for their fine cooking. I just wish I could thank each one personally.

Once again I say "Thank You" from the bottom of my heart.
Sincerely,
ALFONSO GONZALES

Dear Mrs. Welch,
I want to thank you very much for the candy and I appreciate it very much. I know you and some more ladies went to a lot of work to make the candy and send it to us. There are a lot of GIs that are very thankful that someone at home cares enough about them to send them some Christmas candy.

So again, thank you and all the other ladies in the candy project for the candy and I hope you have a merry Christmas.

Yours truly,
MIKE HUTTON

Dear Mrs. Welch,
I went down to get my mail this morning and I received two boxes of candy. I really don't know how to thank you and all the ladies around Dimmitt who helped fix the candy. Everyone always laughed when I got the paper from home. But now they wished they lived in a small town like Dimmitt with mothers like mine and ladies who still think of the young guys overseas. I know my brother Mike in Vietnam feels the same way. It's not every day you get something like that which makes you feel there is something back in the world worth going back to. But Dimmitt people have always been nice to GIs and that's why I want to get back.

Once again I want to thank you and ALL the mothers for tak-

ing time and spending the money you did for all the GIs.

Always,
RONNY HUTTON

To: The ladies of the Castro County Candy Project

Thank you very much for the assorted candies that you sent me. I sampled all of it, and it was all delicious.

Thank you again. It is nice to know that people still think of us over here.

Thank you,
LEONARD MELCHER

Dear Mrs. Welch,
On behalf of the personnel assigned to me I would like to thank you for the package of candy we received from the Castro County Candy Project.

The package arrived undamaged and the candy was very delicious. It is very thoughtful of all of you and it is very much appreciated by all.

Please convey our thanks to all your members and I will personally write the ladies who made the candy and thank them.

Sincerely,
CHARLES H. PITTS
DaNang, South Vietnam

Dear Reta,
I thought I'd take a few minutes of my time to send you and all the other members of the Castro County Candy Project my sincere thanks for the two packages of candy I have received the past two days.

I think it's a real nice thing you and all the other people of the project do to take time and do something like this for me and the rest of the guys over here. We really appreciate it and we also enjoy all the goodies.

Now I know that all the people of Castro County are behind us while we are over here. Thanks again and we'll see each other

soon.

MIKE NINO JR.
APO San Francisco

Thank you so much for the nice box of candy and cookies. It is so nice to think that there are people back at home that think of us over here. It was so thoughtful and kind of everyone concerned.

SGT. AND MRS.
LARRY RINGWALD

Dear Mrs. Welch,
We want to thank you so much for the delicious candy we received through the Castro County Candy Project. We received it just before Thanksgiving and will enjoy it through Christmas. Your thoughtfulness and consideration were most appreciated and we want you to know we have been sharing it with our friends here overseas.

Again, thank you so much,
Sincerely,
CAPT. AND MRS.
MYLES SADLER

Girlstown gets second washer

A second washing machine has been delivered to Girlstown, just in time for Christmas. This machine was donated by nearly 30 businesses and individuals in Dimmitt.

MRS. MARY HALL, Chairman of the Girlstown gift campaign in Dimmitt this year, said that it appears that the 70 girls will have their biggest Christmas ever.

Girls and administrators of Girlstown all expressed their thanks to the people of Dimmitt, especially for the two needed washing machines.

A balance of \$10 was left after the second machine was paid for, and this too was given to Girlstown, Mrs. Hall reported.

Sheffy's chatter

Visitors, trips, parties highlight holiday activities

By BERAL HANCE
 Richard and Tommie Bills of Earth have made several visits to be with her mother Myrtle Shelly, who is recovering from a recent car accident.
 The Betty Campbell Circle of the First Methodist Church entertained all the women of the church with a delicious dinner at Lamar Fellowship Hall last Wednesday. This circle is composed of the young matrons of the church and they give beautiful parties.

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 The Claude Forsons have had a lot of company recently. Her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Cowan of Lubbock, Claude's daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Arlon Naler of Lubbock, Mrs. Keith Stephenson and granddaughter Susan of Perryton, and friends Mr. and Mrs. Cal Stevenson of Blackwell and Burl Stubbs of Lubbock all visited.

Mrs. John Griffith of Tulsa, Okla., is here visiting her sister, Betty and Clyde Renfro. Her family will join her later to spend Christmas here.
 Faye Kenmore left Tuesday for Phoenix where she will visit her son, Hoyt and Alice Kenmore and children. Her other children, the Hershel Kenmores of Seattle and the George Rays of Grand Junction, Colo., will join them for Christmas. Mrs. Irene Harsh accompanied Faye, and her son and his family will meet her in Phoenix and she will visit them in their home in Yuma.

Jim and Ruth Hays entertained the Hays Implement Co. employees and their families Wednesday evening with a dinner at the Colonial Inn and then all went to their home where they played games and visited.
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 The HIRAM ODOMS have bought the W. G. Stavenhagen house at 700 SW Fifth and the Stavenhagens moved a block south. Mae and Don Hargrove, Deanna and Laura bought the Jess Taylor house on Cleveland Street.

Charles and Opha Burks had their 42 club in for dinner Wednesday evening. There were three tables of 42. Hugo and Dottie Bevers, Cecil and Virginia Crum, Jack and Mary Flynn, Ray and Joanis Robertson and V. C. and Cue Giles from Olton enjoyed the party.
 Mr. and Mrs. Russel Moran visited his mother Mrs. Moran at Mineral Wells this past week. She has been ill.
 Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bearden are home from a ten-day tour of Hawaii. They went by plane, saw all the nice places and en-

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GENE KING TAX ASSESSOR

joyed a luau supper.
 Dickie Reinhardt visited in Hawaii with friends a while back. They always have a fine time in our newest state.

Boys home from the service for the holidays are Craig Fuller of Fort Ord, Graham Sheffy of Yuma, Ariz., Abel Espinosa and Bob Bradford will go to Fort Ord, Calif., soon after Christmas.
 Also home is Glen Mundell, who is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Mundell. Mr. Mundell is now in the hospital in Amarillo.

Virginia Gilbreath was hostess at a dinner-bridge party at the Hereford Country Club Thursday. Her guests were Carl Carlie, Maxine Tidwell, Jennie Miller, Edna Riley, Pearle Sheffy, Katy Burkett and Margaret Wilson. Carl and Maxine won high score.
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 Ophelia Ochoa visited her aunt Mr. and Mrs. Lasso Mancias at Plainview on Tuesday.

THE DICK PERRINS were host to members of the Federal Land Bank Board at the Colonial Inn Restaurant and then they all went to Roy and Mozelle Lilley's home for games of 42. Present were the Irvin Ottis, Eddie Drenups, Wade Millses, Jack Summers and Sid Sheffy. Myrtle wanted to go but is having to miss a lot of parties.
 Dan and Hazel Nelson gave a party Monday evening for the older adults of the Bedford Street Church of Christ. They had supper and played dominos and 42 and Pearl Johnston said they had a wonderful time, that the house was decorated so pretty.

Workers of the new starch plant have gone home to Mexico City for a holiday visit with their families. Those we know about are Carlos Garcia, Andrica, Teyeo, Jose Luis, Alfredo, Johnny Tan returned to the Philippines for the holidays.
 Maxine and Joe Ballard and children have returned from a trip to Del Rio and Vica Acuna, Old Mexico. Maxine said the palm trees were so different from what her children were used to. They enjoyed the shops and little stores.
 Glenda Rickerd and Bennie and Bobbie Harper went to Amarillo Friday night to attend a Christmas party in the Murl Tripp home for the employees of Taylor-Harrison Insurance Agency here and of the Southwest Insurance Agency in Amarillo. Ricky and Rusty Rickerd attended the hockey game.

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IVOR BAGWELL has returned home from Amarillo where he had surgery last week.
 Jerry Morris is home for the holidays with his parents, Anita and PeeWee. Jerry is stationed at Lackland AFB.
 Gary and Judy Moore went to Lubbock Friday for a Funk Seed Co. meeting at the KoKo Inn. They went to a banquet Friday evening. Gavin and Steve stayed with their aunt and uncle, Clara and Lester Gladden.
 Rex and Virginia Cowart gave a Christmas party for the law enforcement officers and their spouses Thursday evening in their home. Present were Betty and Jack Cartwright, Kenneth and Barbara McDermitt, Marland and Frankie Reed, W. W. and Fern Jones, Dyrle and Virginia Maples, Bill and Carla Scott, Fred Moulton and Edwin Cartwright. Evidently Mr. Martin was taking care of the law enforcement duties.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Cowan and son, Dennis of Colorado Springs, Colo., have been visiting Dolores Allison and the boys, Roger, Larry and David.
 David Garza is home from a tour of duty in Vietnam. He is the son of Tony and Josie Garza. David helped out at KDHN. Tony is manager of the two Fina Stations here and also has the Spanish program at KDHN.
 Jerry Stewart left Omaha for

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Sunday —
 Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday —
 Bible Classes for all 7:30 p.m.

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 Rev. Eddie Sanchez
Joe Balles Latin American Mission

Sunday —
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
 Training Union 6:30 p.m.
 Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.

Monday —
 Mission Service 2:00 p.m.

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TRUE GOSPEL HOLINESS CHURCH
 North East 8th Street
 Pastor: Elder Earnest Smith Jr.

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
 FRIDAY Y.M.U. 5:30 p.m.
 Tuesday Night 8:00 p.m.

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NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH
 J. C. Gardner, Pastor

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday —
 Mid-Week Services 7:30 p.m.

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FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 600 Western Circle
 Bedford W. Smith, Minister
 Phone 647-5478

Sunday —
 Bible School 9:45 a.m.
 Morning Worship and Lord's Supper 10:50 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday —
 Children's Hour, 6 yr. old through 4th grade 4:00 p.m.
 Bible Study 8:00 to 8:45 p.m.

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SUNNYSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH
 Mack Turner, Pastor

Sunday —
 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
 Training Union 6:00 p.m.
 Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Night —
 Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.

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NORTHSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH
 M. A. Pennington, Pastor
 N.W. 5th at Halsell

Sunday —
 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
 Training Union 6:00 p.m.
 Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday —
 Mid-Week Services 7:30 p.m.

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LA IGLESIA DE DIOS DEL PRIMOJENTIO
 East Halsell St.
 Pastor, Gustavo Ornelas

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Sermon 11:00 a.m.
 Lord's Supper and Feet Washing 11:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
 Wednesday Services 7:30 p.m.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST (Northside)
 Third and Halsell Streets

Sunday —
 Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday —
 Ladies Bible Class 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday —
 Classes 7:30 p.m.

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LEE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
 Bill Wadley, Pastor
 Phone 647-5355

Sunday —
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
 Training Union 6:00 p.m.
 Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

2nd & 4th Monday —
 Brotherhood 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday —
 Mid-Week Services 7:30 p.m.
 Choir Practice 8:30 p.m.

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ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
 William E. Summers, Pastor
 302 S.E. 2nd

Sunday —
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
 Christ Ambassadors and Children's Church 6:00 p.m.
 Evangelistic Service 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday —
 Mid-Week Service 7:30 p.m.

they went to Anita Parker's for the appetizer, to Melanie Nelson's for the main meal, and then to Laurie Langford's for dessert. Each brought a gift for the children's home at Lubbock. Waldine Webb teaches this class.
 Juanita and Melvin Summers had their Christmas dinner and exchange of gifts Sunday. Present were Virgil and Sammie Lamb and children of Dalhart, Jimmy and Betty Ruth Bradley of Weatherford, Clifford and Jackie Lamb and son of Amarillo, Gerald and Patty Summers, Camille and Carla. Also Charles was home from WT and Sue Lust was his guest.

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KATYE Backmaster is closing her shop and will leave Dec. 27 to make her home in Texarkana. She will be near her children, Gayle and Freddie Logan and her sister, Gladys McCrary. Katye has lived most of her life in Dimmitt and will be greatly missed. A going away party was given for her Monday evening by the Duplicate Bridge Club in the community room of the bank. Refreshments were served to 16 guests and they presented her with a gift. Katye rented her house to Carl and Kay Tidwell and their daughter, Kim. Carl is with his brother, Buster, in the flying service and Kay works at the Feed yards.
 Dale and Linda Leinen are visiting their mother and sister, Florence and Shirley. They are students at Tech.
 Dorothy and Buford Newton went to Amarillo to visit her sister, Kay and Mike Wardlow. The Wardlows have a new baby, Laurence Brac. Kay used to live with the Newtons here.
 Sherry McGowen, Bill Sanders,

Gary Langford and Anthony Stanford and his wife are all home from Weatherford, Okla., where all are pharmacy students at Southwestern State College.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kirkpatrick are in Houston for Mr. Kirk's annual checkup. They will spend Christmas with their daughter, Lucile and Adolph Smith and boys, at Wharton.
 Myrtle and Virginia Sheffy were able to return to their homes from the Dimmitt Hospital last week. Both are greatly improved but Myrtle is in a wheel chair and Virginia is still in bed. Virginia's other grandmother, Mrs. Bill Graham Sr., stays with her during the day while Ted and Dorothy are at work.

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BILL AND Dalia Gregory and son, Billy, and Paul Langford were in Lubbock to see the Dallas Chaparrals, Texas' only professional basketball team play Friday night. They lost the game to the Utah Stars. Bill Blakeley, Chaparral coach, was in ACC with Bill and they had a visit together.
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RUBY AND E. W. Halford and son, Danny of Devine, are spending Christmas with her par-

ents, Emily and Ira Clingsmith. Also E. W.'s mother, Mrs. E. W. Halford Sr., and his sister, Emelyne Halford of Fredericksburg are here and Ira's mother, Mrs. Fannie Clingsmith of Hereford. Jack and Jo Gregory flew out to Santa Fe last weekend to visit her brother, Wade Parks.
 It isn't too late to send a Christmas card to Pat Preston. Pat lives at the Lubbock State Home and is spending Christmas with her sister, Genelle Craig and family. Send her card to Dimmitt in care of Genelle at 1000 W. Lee St. She loves to get cards.
 Have you driven over town to see the decorated homes and yards? Be sure to go by the Charles Burks' at 719 Maple to see a typical West Texas Christmas tree in their front yard. It
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Bible Thoughts
"CHRISTIANITY"
 By **RONNIE PARKER**

Christianity is rightly divided into two parts. Number 1—Obedience to the gospel. Number 2—living the Christian life.

It is not enough to try to live the Christian life if you have never obeyed the gospel and been purchased by the blood of Christ. In fact, it can not be done. On the other hand if does no good to be purchased if you don't live the Christian life. First of all one has to come into the kingdom, then he must obey the laws that govern the kingdom. EITHER WITHOUT THE OTHER IS USELESS.

We have in the New Testament a perfect system of religion. The theory is perfect. The practices of Christianity are just as perfect. The shortcoming with so many is that the theory is believed while there has been little experience in practicing the principles. Christianity is a way of life. A more abundant way of life. It is to be LIVED.

Obeying the gospel then living in the perfect way is Christianity.

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CHURCH... Pulsebeat for your New Year's Resolutions.

Beginners in music study have to have help in timing their practice.

The Metronome is a reminder to stay on the right beat.

The Church is the means through which God pronounces his word. God's word sets up the highest ideals for man to live by. Therefore there is no better ground to base your New Year Resolutions on than those set up by our Lord.

"Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God."

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. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.

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SHEFFY'S Chatter

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is bare of leaves and is covered with Christmas lights. And do go by the beautiful decorations at the Willis home on Lee Street, and Bob DuLaney and David Hays.

Carolyn Watts had her bridge club out Thursday noon for a luncheon. Present were Hazel Nelson, Pat Anthony, Louise Nelson, Maxie Horton, Dalla Gregory, Sue Howell, and Darlene Dowell.

Mary Cowen and son, Russell, have been here since Thanksgiving visiting her husband's parents, Joe and Alice. Joe H. will join them here for Christmas. He is a lieutenant in the Navy and their home is at Belle Chasse, La., near New Orleans.

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THE BETA Sigma Pbis entertained Thursday evening with a progressive dinner party for members and their husbands.

First they went to the Roy Ellis' where Roy and Susie and Brooke and Nancy Alexander served hors d'oeuvres, then for salad to Walt and Virginia Hansens, then to the Colonial Inn Restaurant for the main course, and for dessert to Bud and Laquita Hill's. All the homes were beautifully decorated in the Christmas theme. Sue DeVaney is president of the group and Laquita Hill is social chairman. I believe there were 24 couples attending.

Noel and Oleta Gollehon had their Christmas dinner and tree Sunday evening. Their children were there, Ann and Truman Touchstone, Kyle, Todd, Tobin, and Tricia, Ben and Vee Gollehon, John, Julianne and Lee of Rankin, Dirk and Ron of Amarillo and Oleta's mother, Mrs. McMurry.

Charles and Esta Vandiver had a buffet Sunday evening after church for the choir members and their spouses. They served turkey and all the trimmings. I believe this is an annual affair at the Vandivers.

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FLO AND John Nichols had open house at their home in Tullia Saturday evening and members of the bridge club they belonged to when they lived in Dimmitt went over to Tullia. Going were Shirley and Harold Stephens, Myrtle Lois and Russel Moran, Nancy and Charlie Hays, Esta and Charles Vandiver, Sue and John Merritt and Carol and Goldman Dyer.

Recent guests in the Pat Hardy home were their daughter and family, Patsy and Ethan Hokit, David, Greg and Linda of Denver and an aunt and uncle from Texarkana, Mr. and Mrs. Q. E. Nelen and boys.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nolen have moved here from Texarkana to make their home. They are former Dimmitt residents and are the parents of Beatrice Hardy.

Gayle and H. C. Nelson had the Christmas party for their 42 club Tuesday evening at their home. Present were Sara and J. R. Blackwell, Lanelle and Jack Tucker, Marie and Curtis Tate, Burl and Beash Bradford, Polly Bell and Mamye Birdwell.

Alice Killingsworth was hostess for a bridal shower for Michele Morrow of Odessa Monday. Michele is the bride-elect of Mike

Bell. They are to be married in Odessa Jan. 9. They are students at ACC. Mike's aunt, Karen Sheffy of Canyon and Michele's mother of Odessa were here for the shower.

Milt Hardy of Truth or Consequences, N.M., will spend Christmas here with his children, Pat Hardy, Johnny Boothe and Dugan Butler and families. Don and Joyce Hardy and son, John, will be here with his parents, the Pat Hardys.

Corbin Connell has been home from a hospital in Lubbock for four weeks and now weighs six pounds, 10 ounces. Corbin's parents are Jonna and Richard Connell, and he had to be left at the hospital when Jonna came home, so they are really happy to have him at home. His grandparents are Odus and Emmalou Hastings and Cleo and Jewel Connell.

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DON AND Nancy Howell and children of Great Lakes, Ill., are here for Christmas with his parents, Melba and Henry Howell. Don is a career Navy man and only lacks five years before retiring.

Scott and Buck and Lena Crum left Monday morning to fly to Phoenix to attend funeral services for their brother, Paul, who died Sunday. Paul was reared in Castro County at the Crum farm northeast of town. We are sorry to hear of his death.

Marilyn and Alton Ginn, Lelon, Kevin and Monica will be here Christmas Eve with her parents, the Truvis Campbells and her sister, the Dean Wisemans.

Mrs. Ethel Farmer is here visiting her sister, Ruby Stone.

The Golden Spread Nursing Home had their Christmas party Saturday evening. All the people who live there had some of their relatives there for the party and everyone received gifts. Refreshments were served to over 100. Linda Langford entertained them playing the piano and singing Christmas carols.

Myrtle says she is happy to be at home now. She is doing real well and will soon be back to writing Sheffy's Chatter.

Sandra and Norman Nelson are in Wilcox, Ariz., for the wedding of her cousin, Sidney Bailey. I don't know the bride's name. Sandra's mother, Mrs. W. E. Thompson of Salinas, Calif., is also visiting there. Jil and Jan Nelson, the twins, were the flower girls in the wedding. I don't believe I've ever been to a wedding where the flower girls were twins. They are three years old.

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THELMA and Barney Whigham of Lubbock were here for the weekend visiting her father, Percy Shepard and her sister, Olene Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Shipman were here Friday to visit their daughter, Carolyn and Jack Thompson and to help them and Chad celebrate Jaelyn's second birthday.

Shirley and Rex Easterwood were here Sunday to spend the day with Lanelle and Jack Tucker and to get Cindy who had spent the weekend with her grandparents. Rex is an attorney in Hereford.

Kenneth and Mary Nell Malone hosted a Christmas party Saturday night. Turkey, ham, and all kinds of goodies were served with games of 42 being played later. Attending were Butch and Bessie Strickland, E. M. and Joy Jones, Corky and Daisy Langford, Earlene and Bob West and Elvis and Joy Barker. Butch Strickland and Joy Jones won prizes for high score for the evening.

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TEACHERS were a little suspicious of the new "spacegun" injectors for DPT shots during last Thursday's immunization clinic at the schools, but they too discovered that it's almost painless. Here, Mrs. W. E. Thornton, fifth grade teacher, anticipates a problem which didn't occur, as she is given her booster shot by Mrs. Grace Killough, school nurse. Mrs. Courtenay Armstrong, one of the volunteers with the clinic, looks on. (Photo by Emmett Broderson)

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13-LOST & FOUND

LOST: Shetland Pony, gray, light mane and tail. Call Verle L. West, 647-3433 or 647-2496. 13-9-tfc

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LOST: Partly worked piece of needlepoint, between my house and airport. Reward. Call 647-3440 or 647-3347. Mrs. Jack Gregory. 13-10-2tc

15-LEGAL NOTICES

NO. 1223 THE ESTATE OF ALICE SAN MIGUEL PATINO, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration upon the Estate of ALICE SAN MIGUEL PATINO, Deceased, were issued to me, the undersigned, on the 14th day of December, 1970, in the proceeding indicated below my signature, which is still pending, and that I now hold such Letters. All persons having claims against said Estate, which is being administered in the County Court of Castro County, Texas, are hereby required to present the same to me at the address below given, before suit upon same are barred by the general statute of limitation, before such Estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law. My mailing address is as follows: Raleigh R. Rule, Route 3, Friona, Texas 79035 Dated this 17th day of December, 1970. -s- Raleigh R. Rule, Administrator of the Estate of ALICE SAN MIGUEL PATINO, Deceased No. 1223 in the County Court of Castro County, Texas 15-11-tfc

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NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS THE STATE OF TEXAS: COUNTY OF CASTRO: CITY OF DIMMITT: TO THE RESIDENT QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF DIMMITT, TEXAS, INCLUDING THOSE WHO OWN TAXABLE PROPERTY IN SAID CITY, AND WHO HAVE DULY RENDERED THE SAME FOR TAXATION: TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in the City of Dimmitt, Texas, on the 9th day of January, 1971, in accordance to a resolution and order duly entered by the City Commission which is attached hereto and made a part of this Notice for all intents and purposes. WITNESS OUR HANDS AND THE SEAL OF SAID CITY, this 21st day of December, 1970. -s- George Bradford Mayor, City of Dimmitt, Texas ATTEST: -s- E. B. Noble City Clerk, City of Dimmitt, Texas (City Seal)

A RESOLUTION AND ORDER by the City Commission of the City of Dimmitt, Texas, calling a bond election to be held within said City, making provision for the conduct of the election and other provisions incident and related to the purpose of this resolution and order. WHEREAS, this City Commission deems it advisable to call a bond election for the purpose hereinafter mentioned; therefore, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DIMMITT, TEXAS: SECTION 1: That an election be held on the 9th day of January, 1971, which date is not less than fifteen (15) nor more than thirty (30) days from the date of the adoption hereof, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted: "SHALL the City Commission of the City of Dimmitt, Texas, be authorized to issue FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) general obligation bonds of said City for the purpose of constructing street improvements in and for said City; said bonds to mature serially over a period of years not to exceed FORTY (40) years from their date, to be issued and sold at any price or prices and to bear interest at any rate or rates as shall be determined within the discretion of the City Commission at the time of issuance; and to provide for the payment of principal of and interest on said bonds by levying a tax sufficient to pay the annual interest and to create a sinking fund sufficient to redeem said bonds as they become due?" SECTION 2: That the official ballots for said election shall be prepared in accordance with the V.A.T.S. Election Code so as to permit the electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid proposition which shall be set forth in substantially the following form: "THE ISSUANCE OF \$50,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION STREET IMPROVEMENT BONDS." The word "FOR" and beneath it the word "AGAINST" shall be made to appear on the left of the proposition. A square shall be printed on the left of each of the words "FOR" and "AGAINST", and each elector shall place an "X" in the square beside the statement indicating the way he wishes to vote. SECTION 3: That said election shall be held at the City Hall in said City, and the entire City shall constitute one election precinct for said election. SECTION 4: That the following named persons are hereby appointed officers of the election: E. H. YOUTS Presiding Judge C. G. MILLER Alternate Presiding Judge The Presiding Judge shall appoint not less than two (2) nor more than four (4) qualified clerks to serve and assist in holding said election; provided that if

Winterize irrigation equipment to avoid problems and repairs

A little effort in winterizing irrigation equipment can save problems and repairs next season, says Wayne Keese, Extension agricultural engineer at Texas A&M University.

HE ADVISES producers to cover the discharge pipe of turbine pumps to keep rodents out and store portable pumps with other machinery. Water should be drained from centrifugal pumps

to prevent freezing and rusting; and the openings should be covered with canvas or burlap to keep out dirt and leaves.

Gearheads should be drained while warm and then refilled with rust-preventive turbine oil. Lubricate drive shafts and store drive belts in a cool, dry place.

Aluminum pipe should be stacked on inclined racks to prevent damage by high winds and also provide drainage and air circulation. If the pipe is left in the field for the winter, be sure to have the sections completely drained and protected from possible wind damage.

SPRINKLERS and risers should be removed and inspected with a drill bit to check for wear. After separating the sprinklers with broken springs and worn bearings or nozzles, store the usable ones in boxes or bins.

Remove the rubber gaskets on portable pipe and inspect them for cracks or other signs of damage. Store the usable gaskets in a dry place protected from rats, sunlight and petroleum products. Do not hang the gaskets on a nail or wire because they will lose their shape.

Put rodent screens on the openings of electric motors and seal conduits and circuit boxes; but do not use material that cuts off circulation and causes condensation of moisture.

CHANGE the oil and filter on engines; then run the engine to circulate the fresh oil. Either drain the cooling system and block or use an ethylene-glycol base permanent anti-freeze.

Pour about two tablespoons of engine oil into each spark plug hole and turn the engine over a few times to spread oil over the upper part of the cylinders; then replace sparkplugs. Remember to cover the exhaust pipe and crankcase breather to prevent moisture entry.

Make sure the batteries are fully charged and then store in a dry place. Shut off and drain fuel lines and drain the carburetor. On liquid petroleum gas engines, drain the vaporizer-regulator fuel and water lines.

Keese adds that now is the time to order replacement parts instead of next season when you need to use the irrigation equipment.

"THE QUESTION remains. Are we to continue on the same dusty and perilous road once traveled to its dead end by mighty and splendid nations?" - Fairfield Osborn

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Hart news

Children lead the way in local Christmas observances

By MYRT LOMAN

The 20-voice junior choir of the First Baptist Church presented a Christmas cantata, "Jesus is Born," Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock worship service.

Soloists were Patricia Smith, Kendra Bishop, Debbie Lacy and Jana Mapp.

Mrs. Carl Rambo directed the choir, with Mrs. Everete Heller at the piano.

THE CHRISTMAS program at the First United Methodist Church Sunday night was well attended.

The program was presented by children and a youth choir directed by Robert Hawkins, with men of the church reading the scriptures.

Following the program, each person was given a white candle to be lighted. When all were lighted, the congregation presented a gift wrapped in white to be sent to Girlstown.

All church lights were turned off, and the group sang Christmas carols. Santa Claus then made his first appearance in Hart, visiting with children and giving each a sack of fruit and candy. He presented Rev. and Mrs. Taylor with envelopes containing a

love offering from members and friends.

MR. AND MRS. Thomas Davis and family hosted a wildlife dinner at their home Saturday night.

The home was decorated in keeping with the holiday season, and Christmas gifts were exchanged.

The meal consisted of pheasant, quail, rabbit, squirrel and venison, as well as enchiladas, assorted salads, relish, tea, coffee and banana pudding.

Guests were children of the Davises, Jerry, Patsy, Kenneth, Doyle and Larry, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kennedy of Dumas; and Mr. and Mrs. Perry Barham, Dianna, Brenda, David, Brenda Graves and David Dulton of Hart, and Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Barham of Lubbock.

GIRLS in Action met in fellowship hall of the First Baptist Church last Wednesday after school for a program and Christmas party.

The table was centered with a small Christmas tree, red candles, and red poinsettias.

Mrs. Lowell Richburg, leader, gave the welcome, and Debbie Lacy gave the invocation, Laur-

ey Franks led the 22 girls in singing two hymns in the Chinese language, "I-to My Heart," and "Oh, How I Love Jesus," with Jana Mapp at the piano. The program was given by girls with handmade puppets, portraying the fishermen who followed Jesus.

Gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served. Special guests were Mrs. Howard Mitchell, representative of the W.M.U., Lowell Richburg, Rev. and Mrs. C. T. Cunningham, Mrs. Leonard Griswold, Myrt Loman and Mrs. H. Shaw of Dimmitt.

LATEST reports from J. D. Rogers, a patient in John Sealy Hospital in Houston, was that he was making better progress than the doctors had expected. He has had two toes removed as the result of the foot injury he sustained in a cotton stripper. It is hoped he will get to spend a few days at home during the holidays. The skin graft on the foot is making rapid progress.

THE FIRST United Methodist Church of Hart was the site of the December meeting and Christmas dinner of the Iota Zeta chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma society.

This being guest night, there were 20 members and 16 guests from Hart, Dimmitt and Nazareth in attendance.

Mrs. Evie Froehner of Dimmitt, president of the chapter, welcomed the guests and presided at the meeting.

Mrs. Max Stephens of Hart led the group in a discussion of the program theme, "Nor Sit, Nor Stand, But Go."

Mrs. Carl Rambo of Hart led the group singing of Christmas carols, with Mrs. Faun Welker of Dimmitt at the piano.

Hart teachers serving as hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. Max Stephens, Mrs. Lanny Tucker, Mrs. J. V. Wescott, Mrs. Carl Rambo and Mrs. Katie Strickland. Lanny Tucker was a special guest.

FRIENDS honored Mrs. Nora Ray Saturday afternoon with a surprise birthday party at her home.

Mrs. Jewel Kenady made the cake and Mrs. E. L. Jobe furnished the punch. Other guests were Mrs. Grace Sanders, Mrs. Ellen Cox, Mrs. Finney and Mrs. W. A. Hawkins Sr.

MR. AND MRS. Lloyd Hill and Kim of Kermit were visitors in the home of Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Taylor and James recently. Mr. and Mrs. Hill are co-ordi-

nators for the lay witness mission to be held on Feb. 26-28 at the First United Methodist Church.

The following chairmen have been appointed to serve during this three-day meet: Mrs. Ed Bennett, general chairman; Mrs. Paul Armstrong, housing; Mrs. Buster Aven, food; Mrs. Theron Morrison, attendance; E. E. Foster, visitation; Mrs. Newell Rowland, coffee hostess. Mr. and Mrs. Worth Jones, welcome; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bell, transportation; Mrs. Bill Rich, publicity; Mrs. Willie Alexander and Mrs. W. A. Hawkins Sr., prayer; Mrs. Robert Brooks, literature; Mrs. T. H. Taylor, memo; Joe Baily, follow-up.

SOME 60 fifth and sixth grade students were out singing Christmas carols last Wednesday night. Adults with the group were Mrs. Harmon Bishop, Georgiann Grayson and Patricia Kingsley, music teacher. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Box drove the school bus.

GOLDEN ONES were guests

Friday in the home of Mrs. Myrt Loman for a covered dish luncheon and Christmas party.

Lunch was served buffet style. Following the luncheon, Mrs. Leonard Griswold read the story of the birth of Jesus.

Numbered gifts were exchanged from a silver tree which was decorated with red and hand-made ornaments.

Next meeting will be Friday, Jan. 29 in the community room of the Farmers State Bank.

THE CHI PSI chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Mrs. Sam McGill for the annual Christmas party and penny auction with Mrs. Jerry Allen serving as co-hostess.

Mrs. David Smith and Mrs. Jim Balck presented the cultural Christmas program on "Our Home" and "Pleasure of Possessions — The Collector."

Mrs. Jim Black was auctioneer for the penny auction with Mrs. Bob Lacy as timekeeper.

The highlight of the evening was the exchange of gifts from the secret pals. Gifts were all wrapped in newspapers and deco-

rated with small red or green bows.

Little candy cups filled with Christmas candy and wrapped in red net were presented to Mrs. Kay Gfeller for her kindergarten class.

XI MU IOTA chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met last Thursday night in the home of Mrs. DeWayne Brown for the annual Christmas party and penny auction. Mrs. Bob Bennett and Mrs. Rennie Farris were co-hostesses.

Secret pal gifts were exchanged. Names were revealed and new names were drawn for the coming year.

MRS. C. R. Jones was hostess for the annual Christmas party and penny auction for members of the Zealot Club, with Mrs. Eldon Shive and Mrs. Jack Dyer as co-hostesses.

HARMON BISHOP met with 13 boys of the Royal Ambassadors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Har-

old Smith last Thursday afternoon. Bishop presented a lesson on honesty. Following the lesson the boys enjoyed games of dodge ball and basketball.

IN THE DECEMBER meeting of the Hart School Board, Mrs. Max Stephens and Mrs. L. D. Williams gave a progress report on the new Distar reading program.

Supt. Ted Averitt, Frank Bar-

nes, Elmer Six, Lanny Tucker, Barry Hughey, and Mrs. Linnie Campbell were selected as a textbook committee for 1971-72. The board accepted the resignations of Patsy Kingsley, elementary music teacher, and W. C. Hodges, fifth and sixth grade physical education teacher.

The board instructed Averitt to take applications for these two teaching positions.

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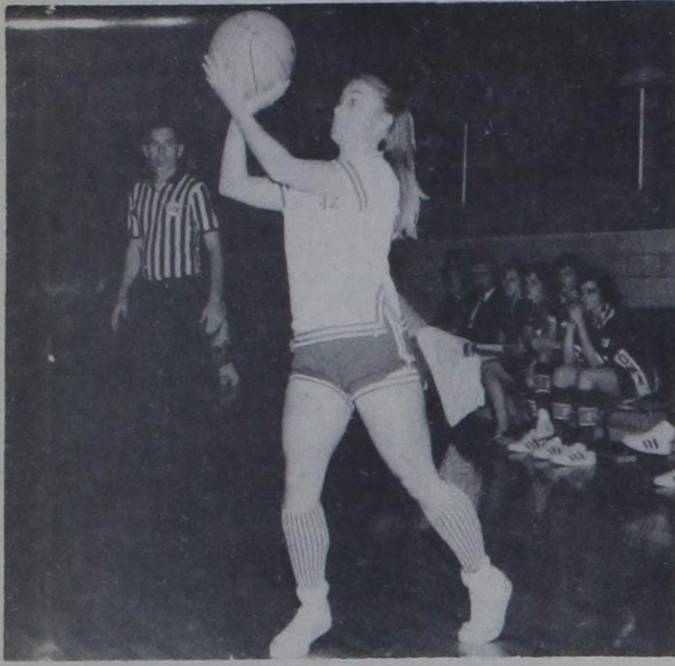
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Hart news

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MR. AND MRS. Richard Franks were hosts Friday night for employees of Tide Products, Inc., and their wives for a Christmas dinner and games of bridge. Guests were the Mike Burmans, the Cliff Browns, the J. C. Millers, the Frank McNamaras, the Floyd Prentices and Mrs. Vanda Mae Lackey.

★
THE P.T.A. and Hart Lions Club sponsored an inoculation clinic against diphtheria Thursday morning in the Hart Elementary Gym.

There were 526 who received the DPT-TD vaccine, and of this number there were 52 non-students who received their inoculations.

★
MR. AND MRS. C. R. Jones and sons, Charles Ray and Dan entertained in their home this past weekend men and wives who helped extinguish the fire at their home recently.

A gift of cash was presented to the local volunteer fire department from the Jones family.

★
 Guests were the Calvin Alexanders, the Butch Wallers, the Claude Rays, Lyndall Warrens and the Let McLains.

★
STUDENTS of the Hart School Band presented their first public concert last Wednesday afternoon in the Hart High School gym. Gary Six was master of ceremonies.

Becky King and Ronnie Cox presented the Hart High School girls' basketball trophy to Elmer Six, high school principal.

The junior high students performed three numbers, "Chapel Echo," "In a Sanctuary" and "The Dancers."

High school students presented "Solitude," "The Music Makers," "The Merry Piper," "Silent Night" and "O Come, All Ye Faithful." The closing number was the Hart School "Alma Mater."

Roger Edwards of Plainview is band director.

★
 This is the first year Hart High School has had a school band.

★
MR. AND MRS. George Bennett recently hosted the United Methodist Youth with a Christmas party at the Bennett home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett were sponsors of the UMYF and were presented a gift of appreciation from members. Gag gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served.

★
AS YOUR Castro County News correspondent from Hart, I wish to thank each and everyone of you who have turned me news this past year.

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NANCY TISDALE, who came off the bench to sink 10 points for the Bobbies in the second half against the Friona Squaws Friday night, connects on a long shot in the fourth quarter to bring the Bobbies within three points at 25-28. However, the Squaws went on to win the District 3-AA game, 33-29. It was the first conference loss for Coach Bob Askey's Bobbies.



HART'S C.V.A.E. CLASS
 ... Practical experience in the classroom

New vocational class at Hart prepares girls for future jobs

A new Coordinated Vocational Academic Education course for girls was begun this year at Hart High School.

★
MRS. J. V. WESCOTT, former homemaking teacher, is instructor of the new vocational homemaking course.

The classes help the girls prepare for jobs after they leave high school. Homemaker assistants are

used in hospital and cafeteria work. The girls will make field trips to see different workers in action, and they will complete several projects during the year.

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The view from your library

By **MARY EDNA HENDRIX**

Esta Vandiver called to tell me that Mrs. Ralph Perry sent her annual check for \$200 to the Dimmitt Book Club. We are so grateful to Mrs. Perry for this gift since she had given such a generous gift in May for a new library.

★
THE BOARD members of the Castro County Library met Wednesday afternoon. Those attending were Jack Miller, Hazel Merritt, Mrs. Little, Mrs. Riley, Irene Keating, president of the Friends of the Library and Esta Vandiver, president of the Dimmitt Book Club. Plans are still being made for the new library.

Mrs. Pickens helped me with the Children's Story Hour Christmas party Friday afternoon. We read Christmas stories and served cup cakes, candy canes and punch to James Mac and Larissa Ann Pickens, Debra and Greg Sava, Stacy and Shawn Jackson, Kim and Cindy Smith, Scott Hays, Amy Ross and Pam Witt. We will not have the Children's Story Hour again until Jan. 8, 1971.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Nino receives service medal

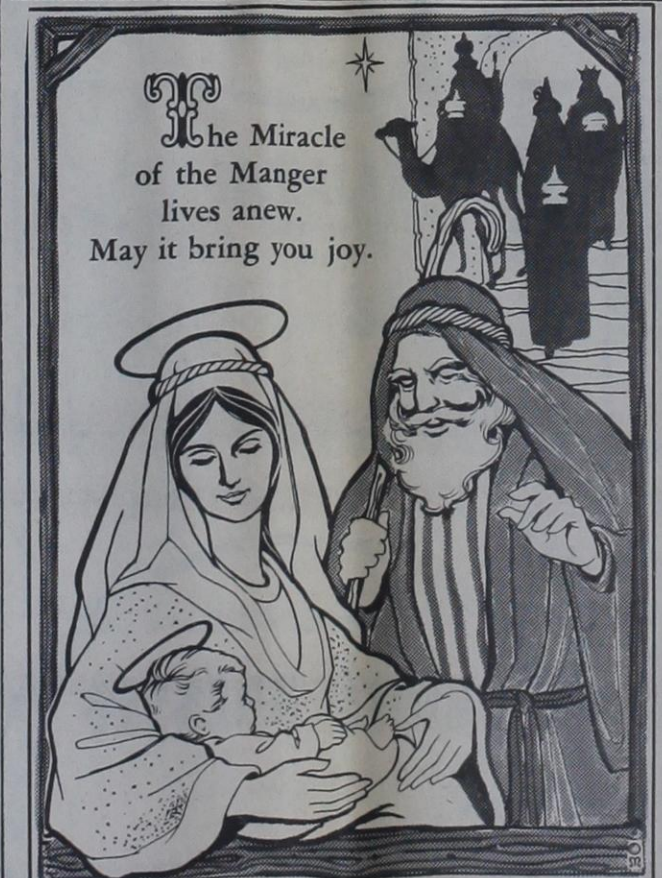
Sp-4 Mike Nino Jr., whose parents live at 710 W. Andrews, Dimmitt, recently received the Army Commendation Medal while serving with the Americal Division near Chu Lai, Vietnam.

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Sp-4 Nino earned the award for meritorious service as a medical corpsman with Headquarters Battery, Division Artillery.

He entered the Army in August, 1969, completed basic training at Fort Lewis, Wash., and was last stationed at Fort Sam Houston, Tex.

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Mrs. Bledsoe's father dies

Raymond Lindsey Ratliff, 76, died Dec. 11 in a Wichita Falls hospital after an illness of three weeks. He was the father of Mrs. Flora Bledsoe of Hart.

SERVICES were held Dec. 13 in the First United Methodist Church of Munday with the Rev. Marvin James, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Johnson Memorial Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Smith Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife Resie, two daughters, three sons, four brothers and 11 grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

On the Go

JOBEY AND Janet Claborn of Fort Worth are spending part of the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Buckley of Dimmitt. Claborn is enrolled in the beginning class of Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort Worth, which opened in October. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Claborn of Friona.



NEW COATS for the holidays won these ladies certificates in coatmaking from Texas A&M University. Mrs. Delores Griffin, left, models her new coat of black vinyl, and Mrs. Jean Oldham, Mrs. Doris

Wylie and Mrs. Irene Keating show their new coats of fashionable "fake" furs. Mrs. Keating, county home demonstration agent, was instructor for the course. Mrs. J. R. Matthews also completed the workshop.

THE Legislative Budget Board has raised its estimate of new state taxes for 1971 to \$645.1 million. A STATE legislative panel recommended a strong code of ethics bill for lawmakers. A STATE legislative panel recommends that schools change from the two-semester plan to a quarterly system with districts having the option of operating a full year.

On the Go MR. AND MRS. Cecil Ghan are spending the holidays in Tucson, Ariz., with their son Rayford and family. "OUR SOIL is our country—to save the one is to serve the other." —Anonymous "A MAN is known by the soil he keeps." —Anonymous

Texas Wheat Association to relocate in Amarillo

The Texas Wheat Producers Association executive committee has announced that the organization will establish headquarters in Amarillo for its research, market development and legislative service programs on Jan. 1.

Leo Witkowski of Hereford, president of TWPA, said that also on that date, Bill Nelson, Amarillo Agricultural Economist, will become the organization's executive vice-president and administrator of all the association's programs.

WITKOWSKI said that these two announcements are significant moves on the part of Texas wheat producers to attempt to raise their income by capturing new domestic and foreign markets, initiating new and expanded production and marketing research and a more active role in shaping government policy affecting wheat.

Currently wheat is a \$100 million cash grain crop in Texas. The use of wheat for grazing and backgrounding cattle for feed lots adds about that much more to the state's agricultural income.

Witkowski said that at this crucial time of expansion for wheat and for the wheat organization, he is particularly pleased to have the interest and service of the new executive officer, Bill Nelson, available to TWPA, for he is highly qualified from both education and experience in all facets of the association's activities.

NELSON WAS reared on a wheat farm near Hollis, Okla., before obtaining BS and MS degrees at Oklahoma State University and Colorado State University, and advanced studies at the Executive Institute of Organization Management and Keio University in Hirochi, Japan.

Nelson's professional assignments have included eight years with the Oklahoma Extension, three of them as county agricultural agent and five as a grain marketing economist, before moving to Amarillo in 1957 as the founding executive vice-president of the Grain Sorghum Producers Association.

Nelson was instrumental in GS-PA co-sponsoring, along with the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, the first tours to the West Coast to interest High Plains bankers, cattlemen and businessmen in "sorghum belt" commercial feed lots, and in initiating high concentrate grain feeding research at Texas Tech and research in meat quality of sorghum fed beef. Since these activities were initiated, new markets for Texas grain sorghum have grown to exceed 200 million bushels annually. In search for export grain markets, Nelson has traveled to over 40 countries in Europe, Asia, South America and Australia.

THE HIGH Plains economist has almost continuously since 1957, served by appointment of secretaries of both agriculture and commerce, on cabinet level advisory boards and councils relative to agricultural policy, foreign trade and business development.

In commenting on his new position, Nelson said, "For the past few months I have had the opportunity to assist the officers and directors of TWPA in a consulting capacity. I have been impressed with the potential future of Texas wheat and especially the current energy and dedication of the association's leaders and membership. It is with great confidence that I have recently dis-

vested myself of responsibility in the two agricultural service companies in which I was engaged since 1968, to now devote full time and energies to wheat and the wheat organization."

Nelson is a director of Water, Inc., a trustee of the High Plains Research Foundation and a member of the advisory board of the School of Agriculture, West Texas State University. He is an overseas veteran of the "I" corps of Army Engineers.

THE organization's new offices will be located in Suite 600, Bank of the Southwest, 2201 Civic Circle in Amarillo.

In addition to Witkowski, other members of the TWPS executive committee are C. L. Edwards of Panhandle, secretary-treasurer; Dwight Hamilton of Olney, vice-president; and Ken Kendrick of Stratford, advisory director.



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Slavik explains new lunch policy

Nazareth School Supt. J. M. Slavik has announced the new free and reduced price policy on school lunches.

REGULAR prices for lunches are 35 cents for children through the eighth grade, and 40 cents for high school students. However, some families find it difficult to pay this full price, and the school will provide these lunches free of charge or at a reduced price to those children determined by the superintendent to be unable to pay the full price for their lunches, according to Slavik.

"Families who feel that they are eligible for free or reduced-price lunches are urged to apply," Slavik said. Copies of the application form were sent home in a letter to parents of Nazareth Students earlier this week. Additional copies may be obtained at the lunchroom or in the superintendent's office.

All applications will be reviewed promptly and within five days the family should be notified in writing as to the decision, Slavik said. He added that all information provided on the application will be held in strictest confidence, and decisions for approval will be made on an income scale. A copy of this scale was also mailed to each family with children in school.

EMERGENCY situations which affect the family's ability to pay for lunches may also be consid-

ered. Unusual circumstances, such as prolonged illness in the family, unexpected expenses due to fire, flood or other disasters or seasonal unemployment may make a family eligible for the lunch program.

"If families are not satisfied with the decision made on their application, they may request a hearing to appeal the decision," Slavik said.

This request may be made orally or in writing to Sister Mary Hawkins at the Nazareth High School library. Sister Mary will review the applications.

SLAVIK said that the school district's formal free and reduced-price lunch policy statement and the procedure that will be followed when a decision is appealed are on file in his office, and may be reviewed by any interested person.

The new lunch policy is in accordance with a federal program which will go into effect Jan. 1. The program also has been adopted by Dimmitt and Hart schools.

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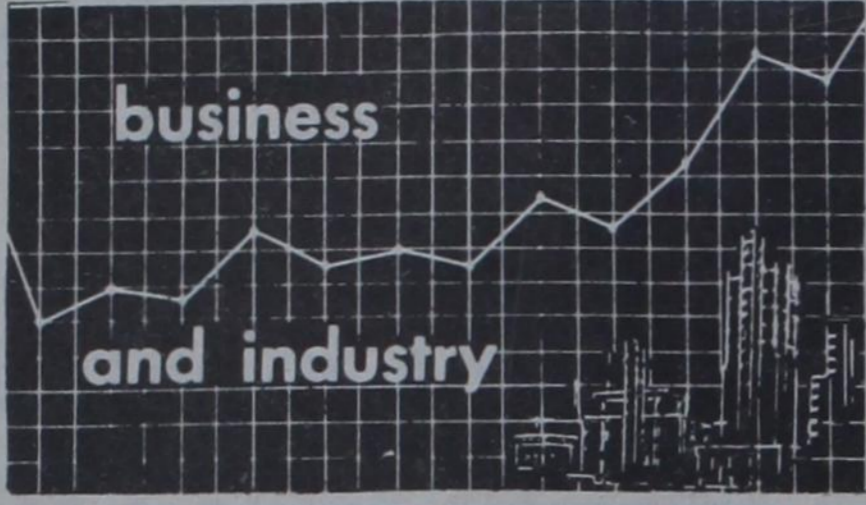
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E. M. Jones

Jones installed CWUA president

Caprock Water Utilities Association held its regular monthly meeting in Tulla last Thursday. E. M. Jones of Dimmitt was installed as president for the coming year.

Others installed were president-elect Lyman Daniel of Lorenzo, vice-president Duane Ham, Muleshoe, secretary-treasurer Meryl Walters of Plainview and assistant secretary Jim Garáner, also of Plainview.

Some 38 members attended. Tulla's city manager, J. S. McGuire, welcomed the association to Tulla.

Draft quota jumps sharply

Texas' draft quota for January is 905, a sharp increase from 489 in December.

A total of 4,340 received orders to take pre-induction exams. January's call will be filled by 10,000 draft boards from those whose lottery numbers had been reached in 1970 but were not called.

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The type of pork that is produced and eaten today has 22 percent more protein than formerly, 57 percent less fat and 36 percent lower calories.

THIS IS due to the selection program initiated during the middle 1950's by pork producers. Dr. William B. Thomas, Extension swine specialist, notes, adding that they had hopes that this would eventually lead to the high quality pork products that are now available to the consumer.

"Up until the mid 50's little had been done by producers to breed pigs that had a maximum amount of lean meat and minimum fat," he explained. "You see, pigs inherit to a degree their muscling and fat from their parents, the boar and sow.

Pork producers by selecting superior breeding stock, boars and gilts with a minimum amount of fat and maximum lean, have been able to improve the quality of pork available to consumers at their local meat market."

AN AVERAGE serving of cooked pork (3½ ounces) will provide an adult male with 40 percent of his daily protein needs, 69 percent of his thiamine (Vitamin B1) requirement, sufficient amounts of other vitamins and minerals, especially iron, and less than eight percent of his daily calorie intake. These figures are based on the daily allowance of nutrients recommended by the National Research Council.

"There is a greater supply of high quality pork today than ever before," Dr. Thomas said. "This holiday season, help reduce the level of supplies by serving pork to your family and friends," suggests the specialist.

"SECOND ONLY to our human resources, the greatest natural asset of this Nation is the soil itself. The coal, the iron, the lead, the gold and silver, and all of the other precious, semi-precious and utilitarian minerals in the depths of the earth would be of little worth without the productive fertility of the surface. Even though new sources might be discovered to triple or quadruple our underground wealth, we would see perish as a Nation if we were deprived of our capacity to feed our people from nature's storehouse. Continued waste of that great resource would be national suicide. We are fortunate, therefore, in our growing knowledge of soil conservation and the excellent work that is being done through our soil and water conservation districts." — Governor Theodore R. McKeeldin, Maryland



NEW BIKES were given to these two lucky youngsters after the Dimmitt merchants' final free cartoon show at the Carlie Theater Saturday morning. Amy Slaton, 4-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Slaton of Jal, N.M., won her bike while visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Cas Barnett of Dimmitt. Tony Raquena, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rolando Raquena of 406 E. Third St. in Dimmitt, was the winner of the boy's bike.

'Drive friendly' over holidays, governor urges state motorists

Gov. Preston Smith continued his strong personal appeal to Texas motorists this week, urging them to drive friendly during the coming holiday season to make this year one with fewer traffic fatalities than 1969.

"THE HOLIDAY season is a time of year when family relationships and consideration for our fellow man are most meaningful," Gov. Smith said. "It is tragic to think of the heartbreak and sorrow which results from complete meaningless deaths on our streets and highways.

"I sincerely hope the negligence of a few will not mar the holiday happiness of many," the governor said.

The governor pointed to a chart in his office which shows traffic fatalities this year are running slightly below the number recorded last year.

"WE HAVE the opportunity to reduce the number of traffic deaths in Texas this year," Gov. Smith said. "But to do so, Texas motorists must heed the safety admonitions which are being publicized through an all-out effort of newspaper, radio and television facilities in our state."

He further expressed full support of the Department of Public Safety's "Operation Motorcade," the law enforcement department's effort to prevent highway violence. The DPS has estimated 87 persons will die on Texas streets and highways during the two holiday weekends, but is planning a massive drive to help keep the toll under its own estimate.

The governor pointed out that his office of traffic safety has

sponsored drives during each of the dangerous holiday weekends during the year. He expressed the view that the statewide campaign was paying dividends.

"THE expression 'Drive friendly' is taking on a realistic meaning for Texas motorists," he said.

"Drive Friendly" is the phrase the state's traffic safety campaign has been using for the past year.

"There is ample evidence that 'Drive Friendly' is becoming a state of mind among Texas motorists," he said. "During Thanksgiving, slightly more than 30 fatalities were recorded. Last year, 58 were killed in traffic during the same holiday weekend.

"In my view, this is confirmation that Texas drivers are more safety conscious than ever before," the governor said.

"We are fortunate in Texas to have one of the world's finest systems of streets and highways," for all of us to travel during the holiday season to join our loved ones and friends. This is especially important during this time of the year.

"We want to continue to encourage Texans to take advantage of our fine road system. And we hope we can continue to make them safer."

"LIVE AS if you were going to die tomorrow. Farm as if you were going to live forever." — An old saying from the north of England

"AN OPEN soil is one that you can shove your fist down into without skinning your knuckles." — Anonymous

Here are week's best food buys

Budget-minded Christmas shoppers will find economical buys in the market this week on meats, poultry, fresh fruits and vegetables, advises Gwendolyn Clyatt, Extension consumer marketing specialist.

AT RETAIL meat counters, look for best beef values on round steaks and roasts, ground beef, chuck roasts and steaks, and liver. Pork supplies are averaging 10 to 15 percent over last year; best pork values include Boston butt roasts, shoulder steaks, loin roasts and chops. Ham and bacon are also available at attractive prices.

Fryers remain an excellent buy in most poultry departments, and Grade A large eggs offer the best combination of quality and economy.

Texas-grown grapefruit is in plentiful supply as are other citrus fruits — oranges, tangerines, tangelos and lemons. Apples, bananas, pears and avocados are other fruit choices worthy of your consideration.

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VERNON A. McGEE, special assistant to the governor for program development, has resigned and will be replaced by Jim Oliver, formerly of Caldwell.

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"SOIL IS the farmer's bank. It won't stand too many promissory notes."
 — Southwestern crop and Stock

SECRETARY of State Martin Dies Jr. has been cited as Texas' "Handicapped person of the year."

Santa letters penned 12 years ago foretold futures of young writers

By DARLA KAY
 A dozen years ago at this time, letters to Santa were pouring in to the Castro County News office. SOME OF the popular "bring-

me's" that year were baby dolls, cowboy suits, toy guns of all kinds, and trains.
 Some of the letters are amusing, and even predicted the future of some of the writers. One little boy asked for "a Marine suit, an Army gun and a missile." That little boy is now a serviceman in Vietnam.

A letter from Delores Wilke asked, "Will you bring me a baton...? A twirler at Dimmitt High School in 1968, '69, and '70, she now is Mrs. Ronald Golden, and living in Canyon.
 TWO LETTERS very close together were interesting. Darla Underwood wanted "a music box and a blue housecoat." A letter from Ronnie Hutcheson read "I want a farm set and...an electrical science kit." Darla and Ronnie are now married, and live in Waco.

John Hays told Santa, "I need a football suit," and Mark Wohlgenuth made the same request. Both boys were captains of the Dimmitt Bobcats during their senior years.

"I want...a Tiny Tears doll and a car bed," Linda Bradley stated in her letter 12 years ago. This year, Linda and her husband, Alex Catoe, are expecting an addition to their family shortly after Christmas. The Catoes are living in Hereford.

SHARRON FLYNT, who asked for "a grown-up doll with lots of clothes" is a former Miss Dimmitt. She also told Santa, "I would also like to have a doll house with some furniture." Sharron is now Mrs. Arnold Acker, and is living in the Dallas area.

"I want a game of stadium checkers, an electric football game, a bowling set, and a Toy-master Corner Store and I am nine years old and a baseball glove." It wasn't a little boy, it was Elaine Davis who made those requests 12 years ago. She is now a junior at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

There were a number of other delightful letters, but unfortunately, the youngsters didn't sign their names. However, if all of the girls who wanted dolls that year now have babies, that in itself could partly explain the population explosion.

Frio news

Houswarming surprises Selfs

By Mrs. Owen Andrews
 The Young Adult Class Christmas party was on Friday night at the Charles Self home. The guests surprised the Selfs with housewarming gifts, as they came for the party. Visiting and games of "42" made the entertainment of the evening. Several of the children spent the evening at the Earl Harkins home.

MR. AND MRS. Leon Martin and daughters, Danyell and Stephanie of San Lorenzo, Calif. came the last of the week to spend the holidays with their relatives. Mrs. Martin is the former Glenda Robbins. He is in the Navy and they returned to be stationed in California this past summer, after having been in Hawaii about four years.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Parris were visiting their son, Walker, and family at Hobbs the last of the week. He was ill and in the hospital there, but was able to go home the last of the week.

BILL COLE from SMU and Steve Robbins from Tech came home the last of the week for the holidays.

Mrs. Meda Owens, sister of Mrs. Earl Cole, passed away Wednesday, in Rock Falls, Ill. Funeral services and burial were in Wichita, Kan., Saturday morning. The Floyd Coles and Mrs. Earl Cole went to the service.

Henry Henderson, Vernon, Glen Henderson and sons, Matt and Brad, visited the Floyd Coles and hunted pheasants.

"NO ONE, either on the land or in the city can afford soil erosion."
 — Anonymous

"A FLOOD is just a river that has grown to big for its bridges."
 — Anonymous

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Dear Santa,
 I would like to have the following things for Christmas. That is if I've been a good boy.
 I would like to have a toy parking plaza, a hot wheels hill climb, some tackle blocks, and a garage for my cars.
 Have a merry Christmas and I'll see you next year.


Scott Hays
 701 Oak
 Dimmitt, Texas

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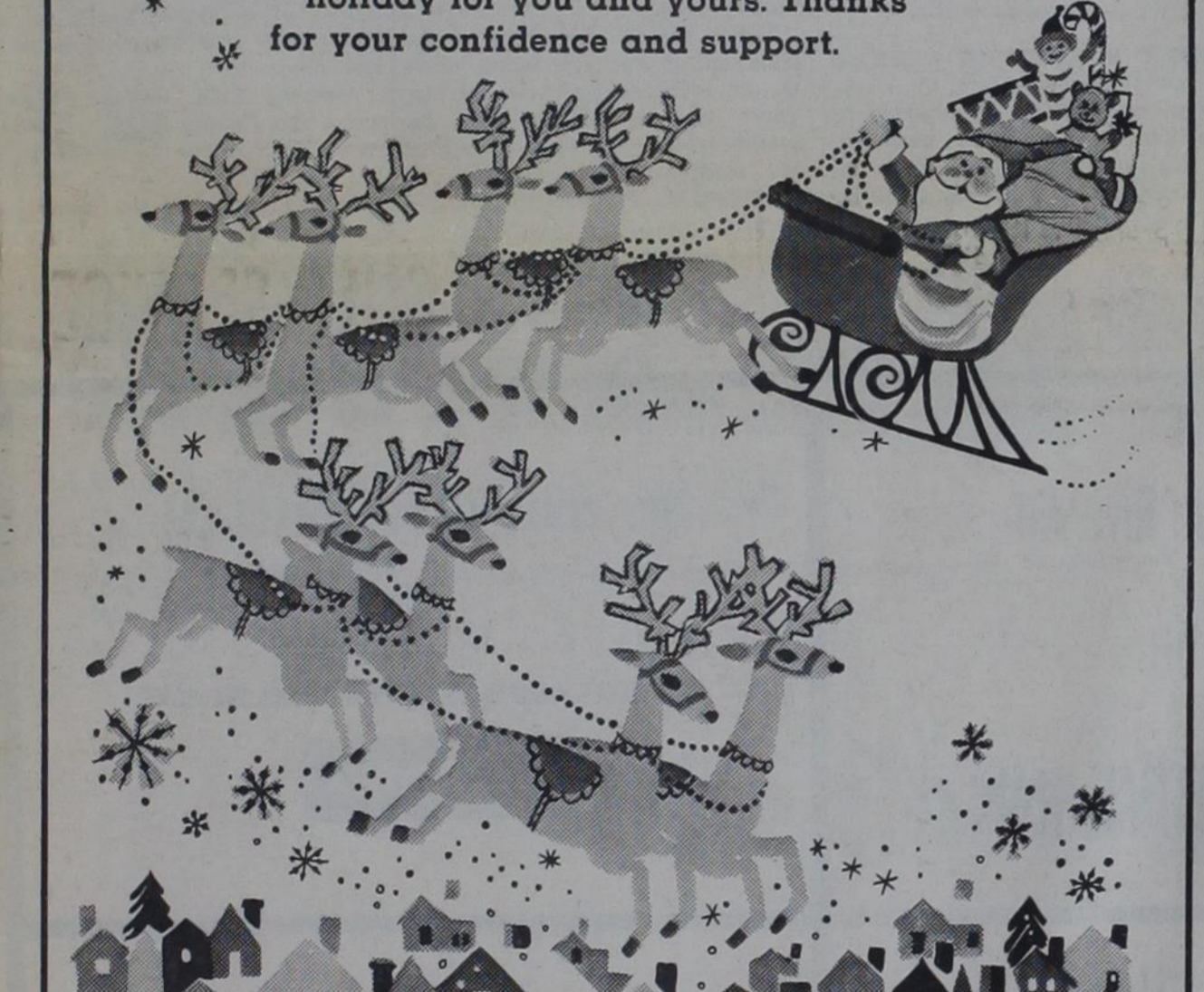


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Editorial

Sales pitches getting stale

"Mom, I've got to take the car this afternoon because I've got to go sell fruitcakes." This is a common quote around many of the Dimmitt residences this year.

Top hits and who they hit

- Voo Doo Child — Brenda Seely.
Big Man on Campus — Lynn Buchanan.
Signed D. C. — Jim Patton.
Tobacco Road — Martha, Debbie, Patti.
Silence is Golden — Marla Mayfield.
The Stomp — Clyde Damron.
You Can't Judge a Book by its Cover — Charlie White.
Born to Be Wild — Stanley McDaniel.
Try a Little Tenderness — Beverly Hill.
God Gave Me You — Ricky Bell to Rhonda Welch.
Melancholy Man — Kenny Doss.
Booster Blues — Jay Stanton.
Super Star — Danny Ebeling.
Gone, Gone, Gone — Glen Branton.
Slow Down — Sue Stokes.
I Had to Cry Today — Alice Rush.
No Time — Seniors.
The Ostrich — Jeff Meyers.
Bird on a Wire — Sondra Jones.

mas cards, and everything under the sun. SINCE SCHOOL has started, there has been a constant demand on the students to go out knocking on doors and asking people to buy merchandise.

We realize that a little of this is all right, but it's getting ridiculous. Many residents don't care what some kid is selling, but buy it anyway just because they are related to the student or feel sorry for the salesman.

Holiday plans told to Tales

These are the replies of DHS students and faculty members when asked, "What do you plan to do during Christmas holidays?"
Cara Frazier — Mess around.
Steve Brown — Work.
Delores Waggoner — Go to the mountains.
Lance Davis — Go to Big Bend.
Mr. Miller — Go to Grandma's.
Pat Elliot — I'm going to California.
Linda Elder — I'll never tell.
Rocky Kay — I'm going to

Campus chatter

Dearest Santa...

Since there is not much campus chatter this week, we will submit this letter in place of the chatter. December 18, 1970

Santa Claus
522 North Pole
Sugar, Land

Dear Santa:
I realize Christmas is going to be here before you realize it so I thought I would make my order before I forgot what I really want for Christmas.

I WANT a new set of mags for Christmas so that my car will be in the Christmas spirit also. I, as any other boy, would like to receive some stereo tapes so that when I go riding around I can have some groovy music playing in my car.

Now as for me, I would like to receive a real pretty girl for Christmas so that I can be happy all during the holiday season. I would also like to receive some nice clothes so that I can look real groovy when I go to parties or dances.

MY SISTERS don't deserve anything for Christmas because they are mean and if you have something for them please bring them to me and I will give them to somebody else.

Sincerely yours,
David Nino
Merry Christmas Santa!

Ask Pat Barrios why he left the game at Tulia at half-time. Note to Kenny Powell and Keith Calhoun: Please clean up your

Andy's.

- Kirk Hansen — Have a ball!!!
Alona Hudson — Burn around with Larry.
Trudy Elder — Go downtown with Cara and Linda.
Rick Bell — Go downtown.
Keith Acker — Have fun.
Sandy Parsons — Do just whatever I want to do.
Raul Abrego — I have to work.
Santos Perez — I'm going to booze it up.
Leslie Harsh — I'm going to go wreck Robert's car.
Garry Wise — I'm gonna go visit Robert-wonder why.
Roger Underwood — I'm gonna spread my ears and fly.
Mrs. Parker — Sleep.
Minerva Acevedo — Go to Mexico.
Myrna Elliot — Go to California.
Theresa Elliot — Go to California.
Robert Weolbright — Gonna pay Leslie for the bet I lost.
Dean Summers — Go to Dallas to find a local boot.....

messes next time you get sick for some "strange reason." ACCIDENTS went on the rampage again last week. Clyde Damron and Martina Dones had a small wreck. Janet King got run into because some local man ran a yield sign.

Mr. Miller, congratulations! You got some new shoes!

ASK KIRK Hansen and Lance Davis about their "parties."

Chris Blanchard, visiting from England, tells his opinion of American girls: "They aren't as hard to pick up as English girls."

JANE ANN Mooney sure seems to like Western songs. She gives everybody a concert in Home-making.

Debbie Beams is getting married to Donald Ray Carmichael. Steve and Tonya Brown have moved to Bedford Street.

MARY GAUNA did you get another visit from Barnabas Collins last weekend? Shall we ask Henry Rivera about this?

Bertha Davila, does Willie Bautista really have a crush on you or is it the other way around? AGNES GARCIA, why do you lock forward to Fridays? Is it on account of Charlie Garza?

Margaretta Abrego, why do you want to go by yourself to the Spanish Club party? Is it more fun?

Why are so many kids feeling good these days? Has it something to do with the Christmas holidays?

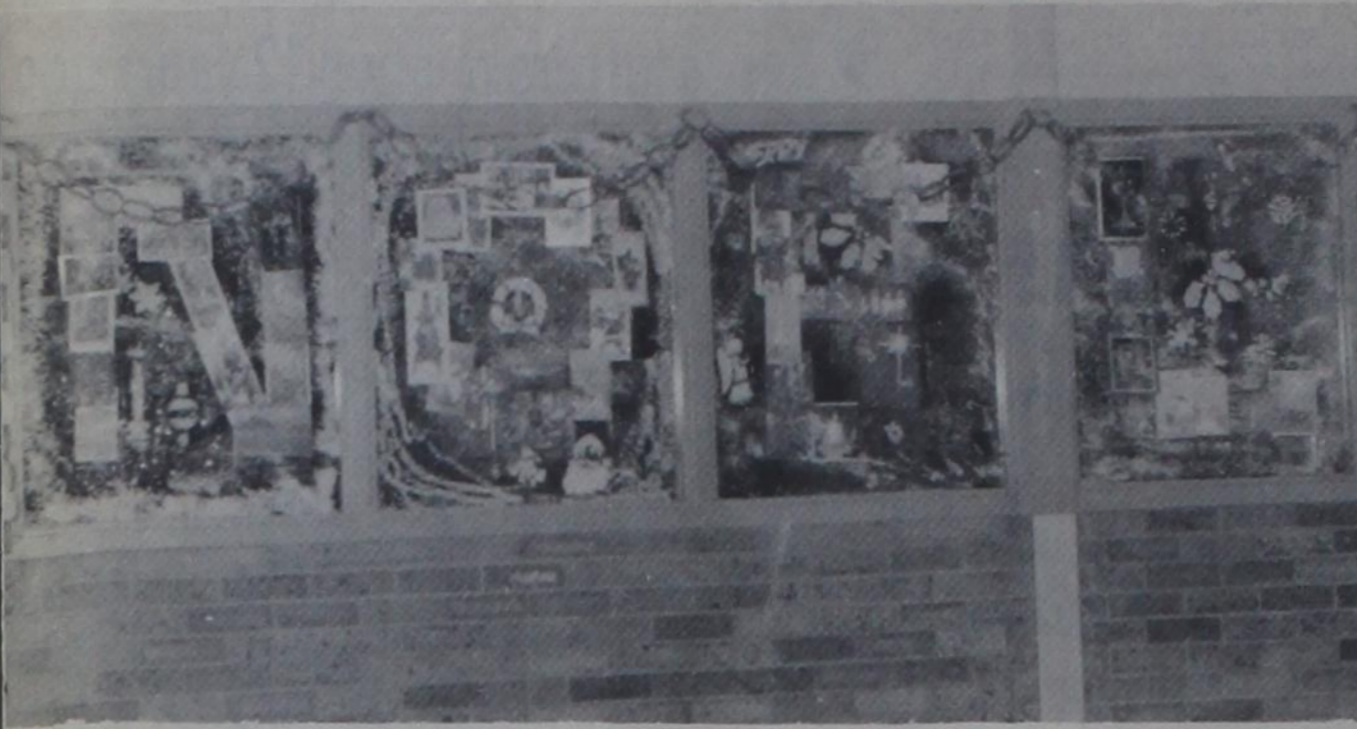
History class hosts party for Satellite school

Mrs. Nancy Alexander's first period American History Class were host at a party given for the students of the Satellite school Monday, Dec. 14.

THE STUDENTS donated money and bought presents for the students of the school. Pat Barrios played the role of Santa Claus and gave presents to the students. There were also cookies, candy and other refreshments furnished by the girls of the class.

Mrs. Alexander said "The party was a success." She also said "The students worked very well together. Especially Pat who did a fine job of portraying St. Nick."

THE PARTY was given as a six-weeks class project. Mrs. Alexander's other classes are doing different things in keeping with the community project theme.



Cards in hallway spell out Christmas greeting

Player of the week Mark Wohlgenuth

"His workouts are harder than any game, but somehow he makes you enjoy it. Coach Cleveland can beat any of us at a game of twenty-one." This is Mark Wohlgenuth's impression of Coach Cleveland.

WOHLGEMUTH, who is this week's Fourth Hour Player of the Week, is a senior forward, and is in his third varsity year. Wohlgenuth has played basketball for six years, including two years in junior high and four in high school.

All year people have been talking about Morton. We asked Wohlgenuth what kind of effect this had on the team. "It's good for our spirits. It keeps us alive, and on our toes for one great game."

THE GAME that stands out the most in Wohlgenuth's mind is the Morton game last year for bi-district. "We never really remember good games won, but a big loss stays with you forever." Wohlgenuth says that he doesn't think he will play college basketball. His favorite teams are UCLA and the New York Knicks.

We, the Fourth hour Publishing Staff, congratulate this Fighting Bobcat.

"IF WE do not allow a Democratic Government to do the things which need to be done, and hand down to our children a deteriorated nation, their legacy will be not a legacy of poverty amidst plenty, but a legacy of poverty amidst poverty."

CONSERVATION is the informed, conscientious management of resources. It is development as well as protection. It is use as well as saving.

Counselor's Corner

Our school year is now half gone and it might be a good time to take a stock of how we stand. Actually things don't look too bad, according to my information as I was able to extract it from the computer as of the end of the second six weeks.

SENIORS were passing 98.1 percent of their classes. The juniors were passing 93.3 percent, the sophomores 93.7 percent, and the freshmen are passing 91.5 percent of all the courses they are taking.

I think one of the good things about using the computer this year is that the lowest grade recorded for anyone is a 50. This means that no matter how poorly a student has done the first semester, they can pass any subject by having a 70 average for the second semester.

We have several seniors who are completing their high school work at semester. These are Andrea Axe George, Fernanda Adela Barba, Norma Bland, Malessa Glenn, Daniel Lopez and Deborah Whitworth Jackson. Best of luck, kids!

THE JUNIOR achievement test results are in and we are making appointments with parents to discuss them. Please call 647-3109 for appointments. HAPPY NEW YEAR!

DON'T BLAME THE FARMER

It's twice as costly to market farm products as to produce the food in the first place, surprising though this may seem. When they left the farm, food raw materials produced by US farmers in 1969 were worth \$32 billion. By the time they reached the consumer, their cost had soared to \$96 billion.

Hardwood comments

Due to Mark Wohlgenuth's injury and Keat Bradford's foul trouble at Floydada, the Cats ran into trouble.

Through the years Coach Cleveland has emphasized the importance of free throws, and he was proven right when the Floydada game was won at the free throw line.

MARK Wohlgenuth has reported that his ankle is improving and will hopefully be at full strength at the Caprock Tournament. The tournament should prove to be a hard-earned test for everyone. In this tournament Floydada, Morton, Lockney, Lubbock Christian and others will compete. This tournament will give Dimmitt a chance to scout Morton for future play and perhaps a chance to go against them.

New Key Club projects going

A newly organized club on campus is the Key Club. The Key Club, under the direction of Coach Don Parker, is a club for sophomores and upper-classmen. The Key Club attempts to make responsible citizens and businessmen of today's youth.

THE CLUB is presided by Max Newman and directed by Charles McLean, Terry Robertson and Terry Powell.

There are 23 members in the club but at every meeting there is an increase in membership. There are no requirements for membership. All upper-classmen are eligible for membership.

SEVERAL PROJECTS are underway currently. Members are selling tie pins and will join the Dimmitt Kiwanis in a Christmas tree sale during the Holiday season.

Teacher of week:

L. C. Crider

Have you noticed the smile and pat on the back you receive from one of the teachers in Dimmitt High School? These friendly gestures always come from Mr. L. C. Crider.

MR. CRIDER lives at 620 North West 7th and has a wife and 2 sons. His wife teaches fourth grade in Dimmitt. Mr. Crider's older son is a Naval officer at Kingsville, Texas. Mr. Crider's younger son lives in Odessa.

He graduated from Texas Tech with a B.S. in geology. He has taught less than 10 years. Before teaching school he was with an oil company. Mr. Crider also teaches related Math II. Mr. Crider has 86 physical science students and 12 related math students.

When asked the value of the courses he teaches, Mr. Crider said "Physical Science is especially valuable to those students who do not take the regular course in physics or chemistry as physical science can give a good basic knowledge of both subjects."

As for related math, Crider stated, "Related math is a one-year course as Algebra is given for two years. It is for students who have trouble with mathematics."

CRIDER SUGGESTED that the goal for physical science is to encourage students to continue studies in physics or chemistry by arousing an interest in science. Mr. Crider stated that he enjoys teaching and especially likes to teach science. "I enjoy being around high school students."

Crider also stated that trends in physical science started when Russia sent Sputnik I into orbit around the earth on October 4, 1957. General science has largely been replaced by physical science which is a combination of physics and chemistry. Mr. Crider said the current trend is toward laboratory oriented courses such as Introductory Physical Science (IPS).

Our sincere thanks go to Mr. Crider for his friendly smile and efforts in teaching at DHS.

Local government viewed in action by Civics classes

Civics classes visited the many offices of county government in the county courthouse Thursday December 19.

AMONG THE offices visited were the County Clerks, County Clerk's Office, County Jail, Deputy Martin led the tour and explained the many different types of equipment used in law enforcement.

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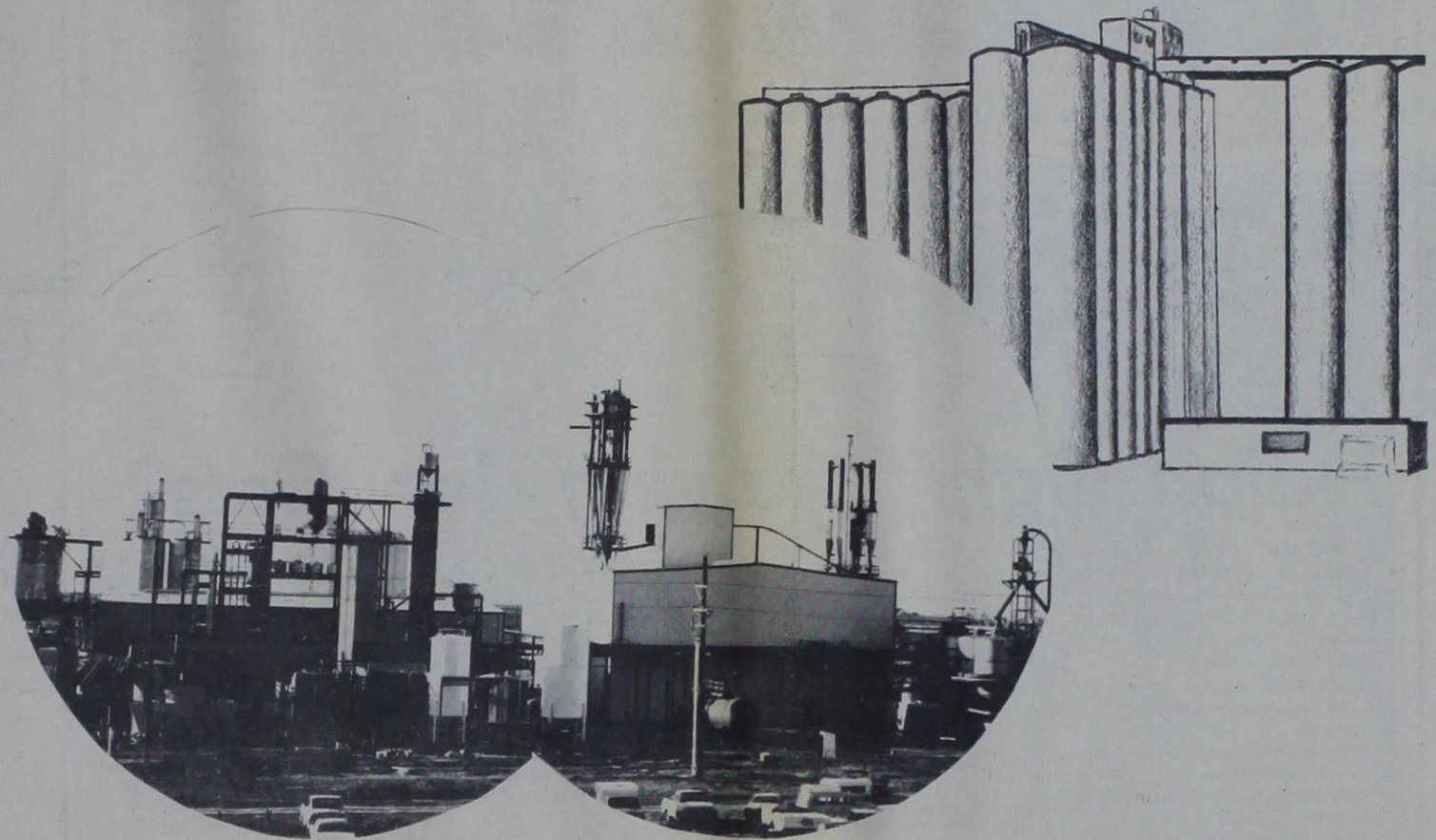
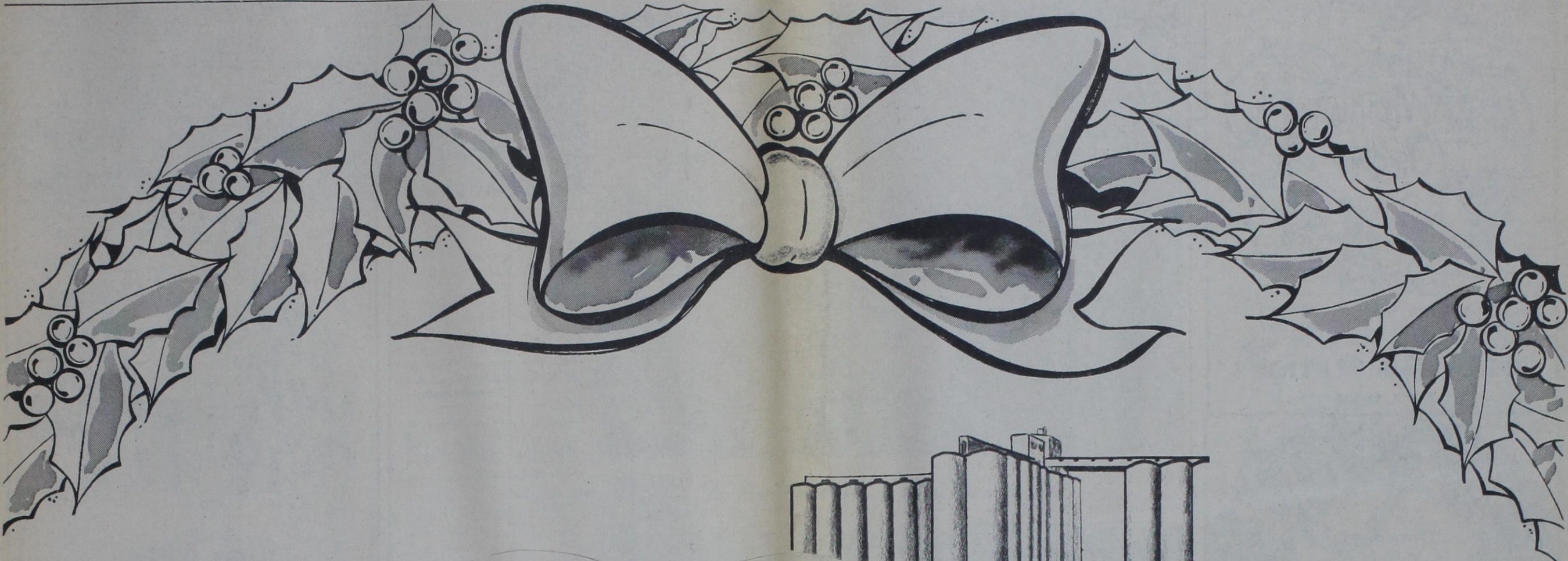
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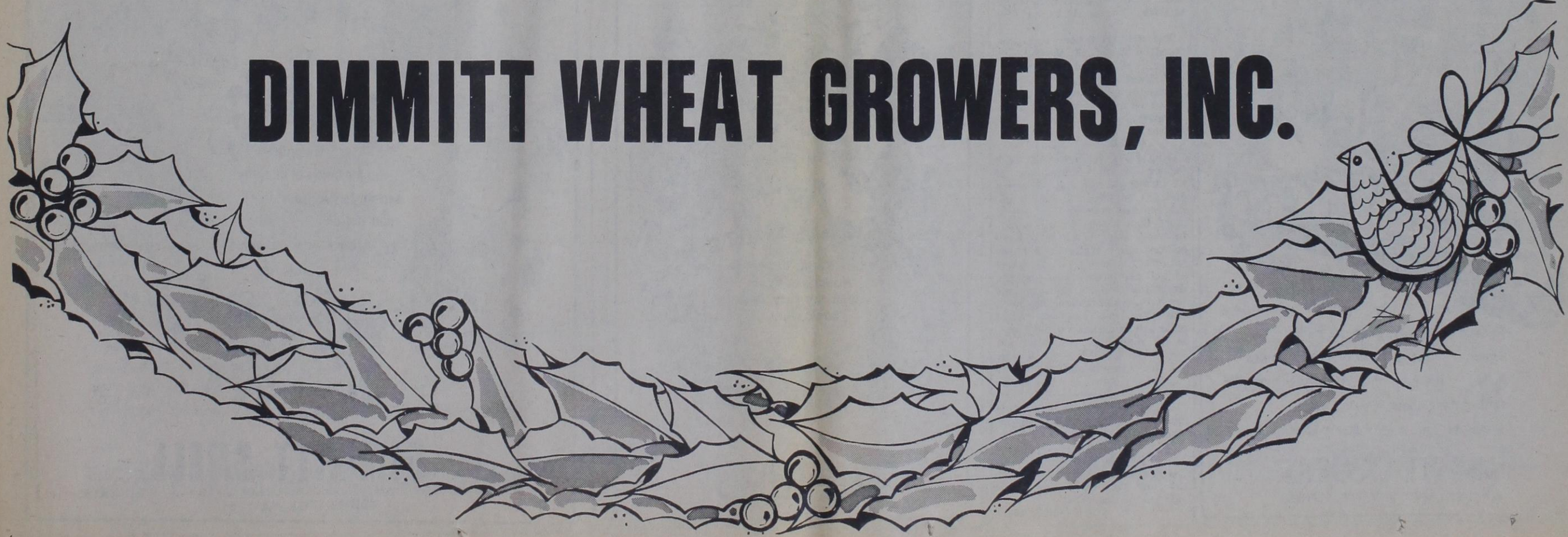
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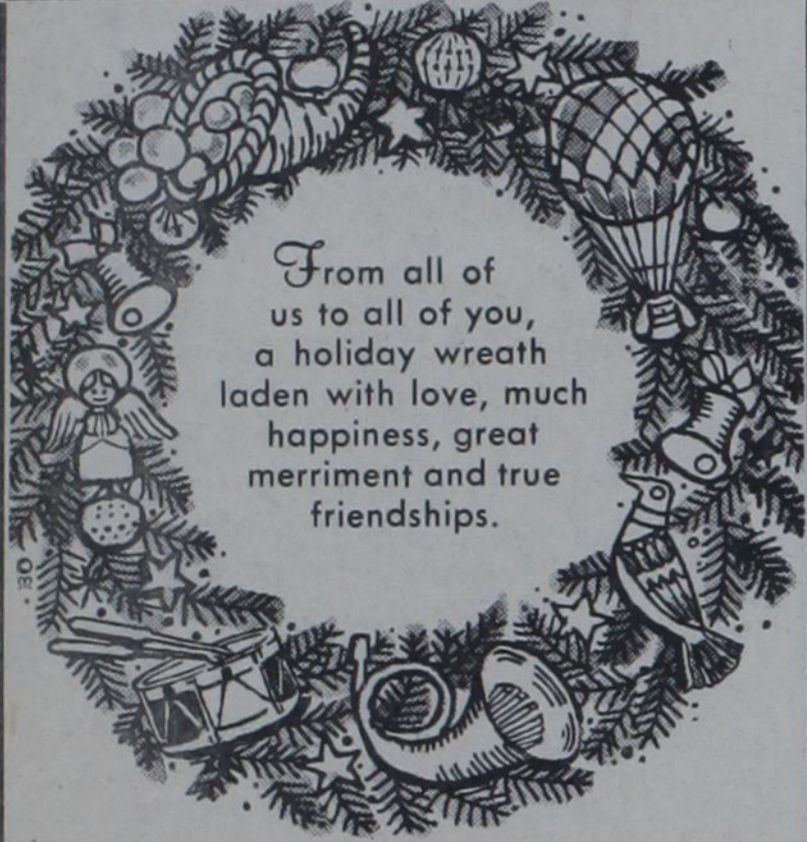
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Santa's a good sport, and we're sure he'll be bringing plenty of good cheer your way during Christmas. We extend many thanks to all our friends.

Castro County Country Club Golf Shop
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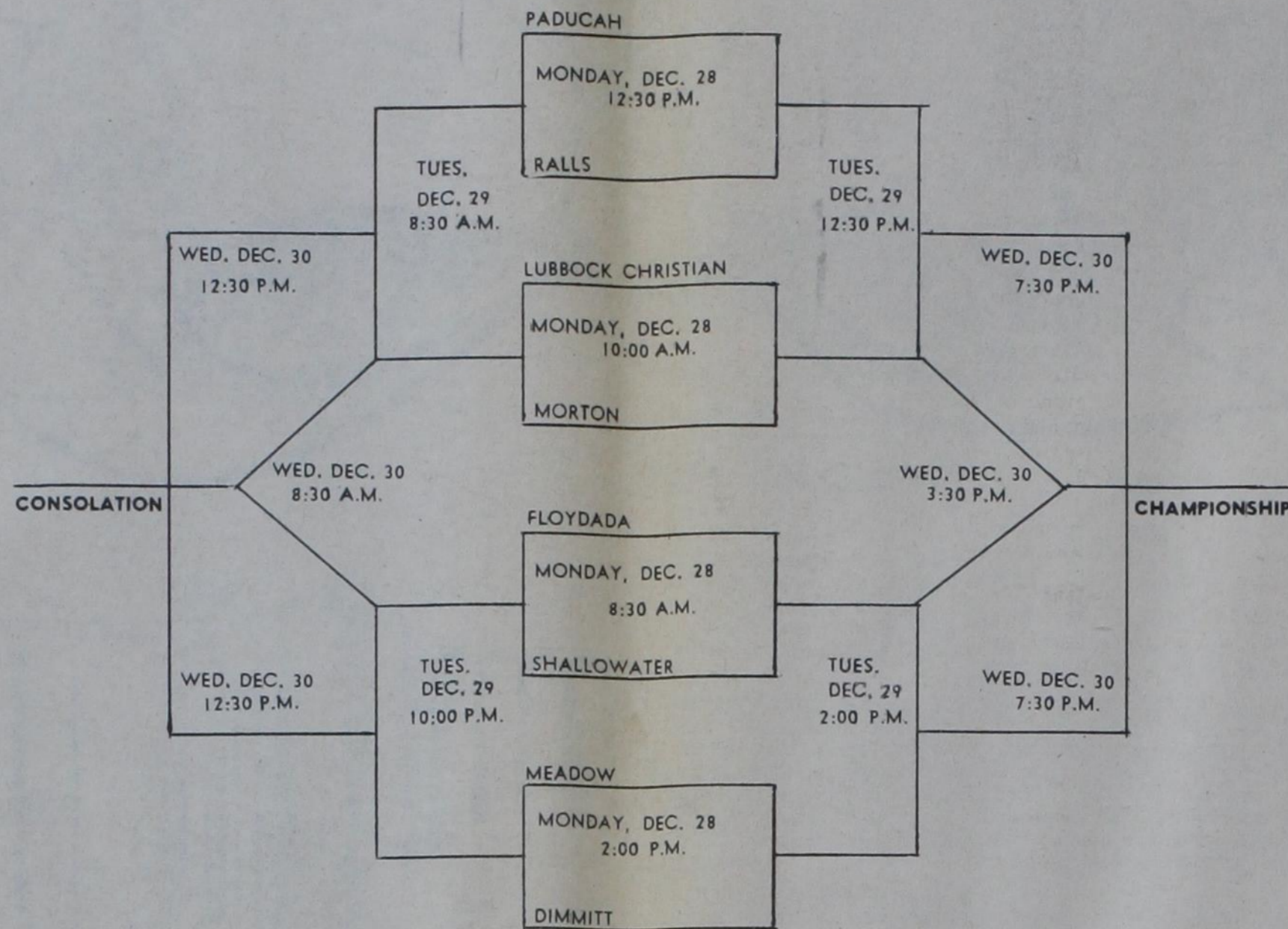


GREETINGS

The sounds of Christmas are happy sounds... the glorious ringing of church bells... the echo of merry voices 'midst the softly falling snow... and our wishes to you: a Very Merry Christmas!

DIMMITT CLEANERS
MR. AND MRS. J. V. MESSENGER

Small Schools Division - Caprock Holiday Basketball Tournament



Indian fight brewing for Cats?

When the Caprock Holiday Tournament in Lubbock reaches its climax Wednesday night, will it be a pair of District 3-AA teams battling it out for the small schools championship?

THAT'S A distinct possibility as the high-scoring Dimmitt Bobcats and the defending regional champion Morton Indians prepare for the annual holiday classic which starts Monday in Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.

Dimmitt is in the lower bracket of the popular tourney, and Morton is in the upper bracket.

The Bobcats will take on Meadow at 2 p.m. Monday in the opening round. The Indians will face Lubbock Christian the same day at 10 a.m. in what is likely to be one of the hottest games of the day.

IN OTHER opening round games Monday, Floydada will meet Shallowater at 8:30 a.m. and Paducah will face Ralls at 12:30 p.m.

District 3-AA traditionally is full of weak sisters, with Dimmitt as the only consistently strong team in the conference. The Bobcats have captured the district championship almost routine-

ly for the past decade, and Dimmitt fans have been regular customers at the regional tournament.

But this year it's a whole new race. Morton — which defeated Dimmitt in the bi-district championship game last year and went on to win the regional title — was placed in District

Squaws defeat Bobbies, 33-29

The Friona Squaws raided North Elementary Gym Friday night and burned the Dimmitt Bobbies' unbeaten district record.

THE SQUAWS dealt the Bobbies their first conference loss of the year, 33-29, in a low-scoring defensive bout.

For both teams, the guards stole the show. Friona's tall defenders forced the Bobbie forwards to take most of their shots from long range. Meanwhile, Dimmitt's guards made things rough for Friona's potentially powerful trio of tall forwards.

Friona held a one-point lead, 6-5, at the end of the first quarter. By halftime, the scoreboard still hadn't been used much, standing at 16-10 in Friona's favor.

KAREN BALDRIDGE led the Bobbies' scoring attack in the first half, but after the intermission Nancy Tisdale came in and took over most of the scoring chores, sinking 10 points in the third and fourth periods. Baldrige finished with 15, tying Friona's Diane Day for high-point honors.

The Bobbies continued to trail by six and eight points during the third, but they rallied in the fourth and cut the Squaws' lead to three at one point. But the Squaws fought back with a deliberate pass-and-probe game and controlled the final minutes to rack up a 33-29 victory.

Friona won the girls' B-team game also, 38-28.

3-AA in the shuffle last spring that also saw Hale Center dropped, Memphis transferred and Littlefield added to the district.

AND THE alert-laden Indians have every starter back from the team that went to the state tournament last year. Suddenly, the District 3-AA race has become an Armageddon for Coach Kenneth Cleveland's Bobcats.

So far this year, the Bobcats and Indians have suffered only one setback apiece. Phillips nudged out Dimmitt in the Plainview Tournament finals Dec. 5, and Levelland upset Morton by two points last week.

Bracketed as they are, there's an even chance that Dimmitt and Morton could advance to their first 1970-71 shootout next week in the Caprock classic. If the shootout develops, it could fix

the odds for two more meetings between the two powerhouses down the District 3-AA road.

GAMES in the small schools bracket of the Caprock Tournament will be sandwiched between bouts between AAA and 4-A schools to give basketball fans plenty to watch. Teams in the large schools bracket are Lubbock High, Estacado, Coronado, Dunbar, Monterey, Dumas, Wichita Falls Rider and Odessa Ector.

Sponsored by the Caprock American Business Club, the three-day tournament will raise funds for the club's new Big Brothers organization for fatherless boys in Lubbock.

Eight games will be played daily, including three in each night session. Each team entered will see action every day — Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday — playing for all eight positions in their respective brackets.

Cats chalk up 13th win Friday

Coach Kenneth Cleveland's Dimmitt Bobcats chalked up their 13th victory of the season Friday night, walloping Class AAA Tulia for the third time, 89-65.

KENT BRADFORD led the Bobcats in the scoring department again, ripping the nets for 27 points. Max Newman dropped in 16 points and Danny Ebeling scored 15 in the well-balanced Dimmitt attack.

High scorer for the Hornets was Tommy Anderson with 16.

The victory raised the Bobcats' season mark to 13-1 going into the Caprock Tournament Monday. The game also marked the return of Mark Wohlgenuth to the court after having suffered an ankle sprain last week. The high-scoring forward saw only limited action as his teammates maintained Dimmitt's headlong scoring barrage and ran away with the game.

Tulia won the boys' B-team game, 33-29.

Tuesday vows set

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Smith of Dimmitt announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Debora, to Dale Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Jones of Melrose, N.M.

THE WEDDING will be a private one in First United Methodist Church fellowship hall at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 29.

A reception will follow at 7:30 p.m. in the community room of First State Bank, with all friends and relatives invited to the reception.

Mrs. Burks hosts Christmas party

The Homemakers Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church had a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Charles Burks on Dec. 15.

THE DEVOTIONAL was presented by Mrs. O. T. Vardell, and prayer was offered by Mrs. Rachel Hunter.

Spiced tea, sandwiches with red and green fillings, cake and homemade candy were served to 18 ladies.

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— Anonymous

"WHEN THE soil is gone, man must go and the process does not take long."

— Anonymous

"RENOVATE YOUR pastures and the grass will be greener on your side of the fence."

— Anonymous

"SURE WE believe in soil conservation...it's just good common sense."
— Anonymous

"THE ACCEPTANCE of common objectives is the key to effective teamwork."
— Anonymous

Joyful Wishes
May holiday blessings brighten your tree. Many thanks for being able to serve you.
DAIRY QUEEN

CHRISTMAS JOY
May the joy and peace of this holiday season be with you.
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Greetings for Christmas
Lots of joy on your holiday menu and ample servings of good cheer—that's what we're wishing you. And thanks for the privilege of letting us serve you.
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Merry Christmas
Here's to a Christmas Holiday bloom with the very best. Thank you, all.
SEALE FLORIST

GREETINGS
We pause in the bustle of this jolly season to greet our dear friends and patrons with good wishes. Thank you.
DIMMITT SHELL
SOUTH HIGHWAY 385

A Very Merry Christmas to All!

Happy holiday wishes to each and every one of you. And thanks for your very kind patronage.



JOE BENSON
TEXACO



With Our Best Wishes

With a variety of good wishes for a Merry Christmas, we offer our thanks to all our good friends and customers.

POLSON'S WHITE'S AUTO STORE

LOVE is the theme of this striking rooftop lighting on the James Bradford home, Clovis highway, which received an honorable mention in the city's home lighting contest. At left is an American flag in red, white and blue lights. In the center, the word **LOVE** is spelled out in red, white, orange and green letters, and at right is a red peace symbol.

Hospital news

PATIENTS DISMISSED:

- Raymond Braddock
- Allan Webb
- Amy Ellis
- Edna Follis
- Harley Wilke
- Virginia Sheffy
- Cleo Guerra
- Timothy Farris
- Joe Drerup
- Oma McNeill
- Angelic Hernandez
- Wilma Reeves
- Mamie McLain
- Keith Birkenfeld
- Myrtle Sheffy
- Pat Brown
- Andrew Brown
- Betty Chambliss
- Torbio Davila
- Rosemary Thomas
- Mariello Crespin
- Eloisa Rodriguez
- Shirley Leinen

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL:

- Tyson Cowley
- Mae Ella Willis
- Jo Ann Stone
- Mary Fuentes
- Joe Alvarez
- Annie Venhaus
- Ira Clingsmith
- Mary Ramirez
- Virginia Rodriguez
- Sue Howell

Twin boys were born to Mr. and Mrs. Fabio Crespin Jr., of Dimmitt, Dec. 16. They weighed 5 pounds, 1 ounce and 5 pounds, 3 ounces, and have been named Richard and Robert.

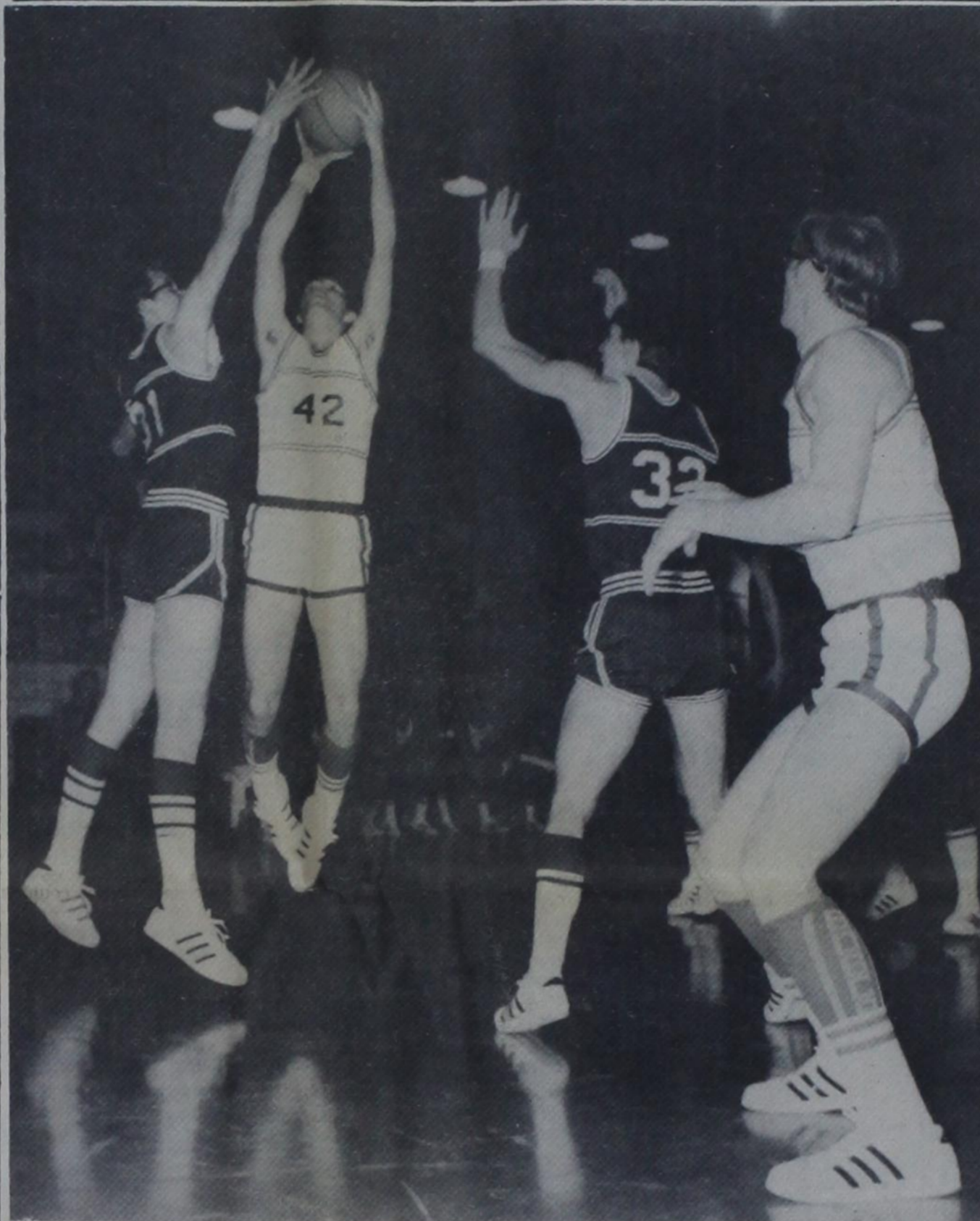
"WE BELIEVE the strength of a Nation — or Community — lies in the soil; to conserve it is imperative. Proper soil treatment and management will add to the economic well being of both the rural and urban citizens."
—Anonymous

"SURE we believe in soil conservation — it's just good common sense."
—Anonymous

"TIL taught by pain, men really know not water's worth."
—Thales



"I PROMISE it won't hurt" says Mrs. Jean Dulaney to a student receiving DTP vaccine Thursday. Mrs. Carol Lantz, R.N., is doing the dirty work here, and Glenn Burfield waits in line, watching carefully. (Photo by Emmett Broderson)



KENT BRADFORD, Dimmitt's leading scorer, lofts a shot over the hand of a Tulia defender in the first quarter of Friday night's game here. Waiting under the basket for a possible rebound is Dimmitt's Max Newman. The Bobcats polished off the visiting Hornets, 89-65, for their 14th win of the season. Next week the Bobcats go into the Caprock Holiday Tournament at Lubbock, then will spend the rest of the season facing conference foes.

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—Anonymous

"CONSERVATION is the informed, conscientious management of resources. It is development as well as protection. It is use as well as saving."
—Anonymous

"NO ONE, either on the land or in the city can afford soil erosion."
—Anonymous

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—Anonymous

"TAKE care of the land and the land will take care of you."
—Anonymous

"MOST people will agree that the broad underlying purpose guiding the use of soil resources should be to maintain the highest possible standard of living for the people of the United States. This includes secure farm homes, adequate and stable incomes for farm people, and a continuous and abundant supply of farm products for all of the people. In other words, the soil problem is really a problem of the well being of people."
—USDA Yearbook of Agriculture

"HOW TO use the lan better than we have is at once a national problem, a local problem, and an individual problem."
—Anonymous

"IF WE DO not allow a Democratic Government to do the things which need to be done, and hand down to our children a deteriorated nation, their legacy will be not a legacy of poverty amidst plenty but a legacy of poverty amidst poverty."
—Franklin D. Roosevelt



Castro Lodge AF & AM 879, Regular meeting, 3rd Monday. Practice every Thursday. Murray Hall, Worshipful Master, Ira E. Brown, Secretary, Visitors Welcome.



Greetings FOR CHRISTMAS

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS



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JACK FLYNT, Manager

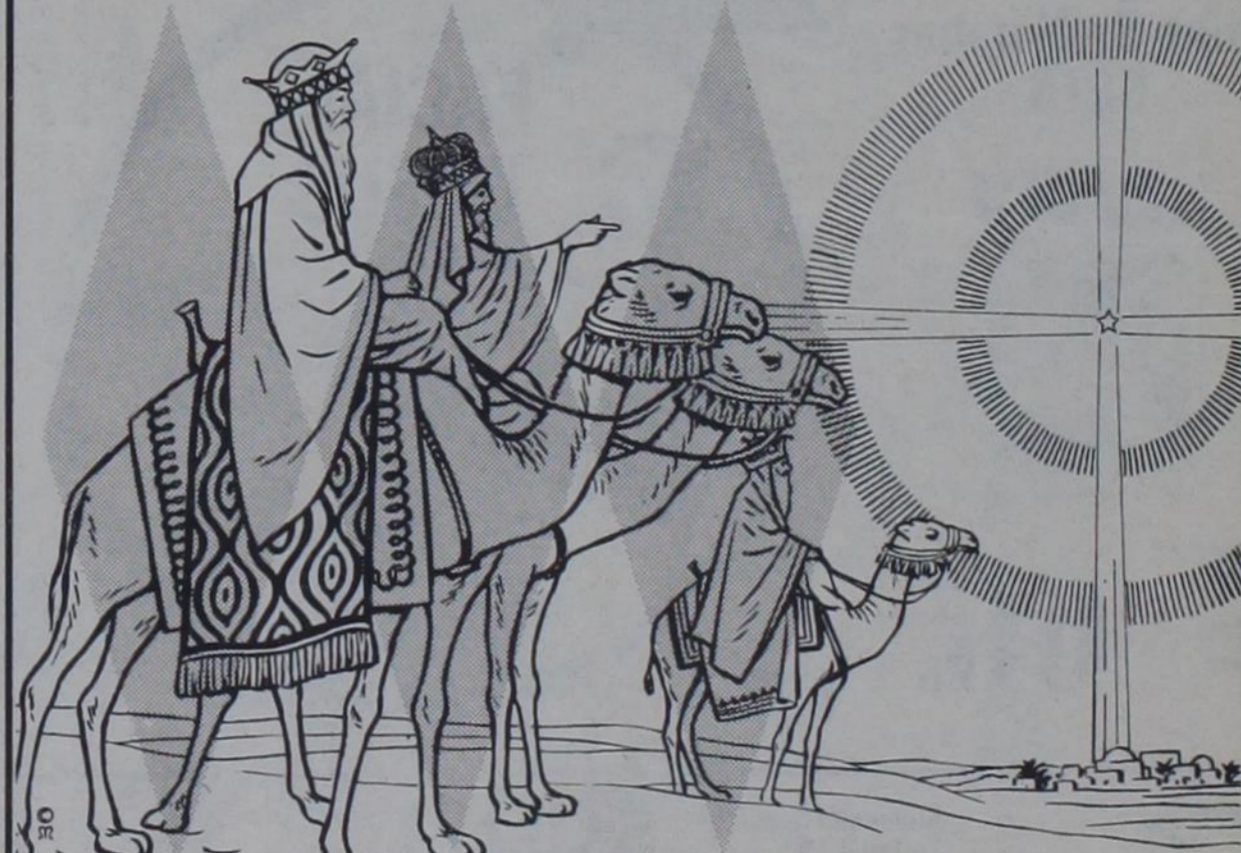
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An old-fashioned wish from us to you, dear friends. May your joys be many. And, special thanks.

WRIGHT'S GROCERY
DIMMITT, TEXAS

PEACE on EARTH



A Star shone, and three Wise Men sought a sacred Manger in the little town of Bethlehem, where the Christ Child was born. This Christmas, let the light of His message shine into all our lives, spreading "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

To our Valued Friends and Patrons, "Thank You."

DIMMITT PARTS & SUPPLY CO., INC.

Nazareth news

Christmas Eve service planned

By Mrs. Florance Albracht
Christmas will be celebrated in Holy Family Church starting at 11:40 p.m. Thursday with the singing of carols.

A large crowd enjoyed the concert given by the Nazareth school. First on the program was songs by the first grade, followed by singing with the second, third and fourth grades taking part.

band, sixth grade band and finally the Swift band with Christmas carols. It was really a wonderful program.

JOHN SCHACHER flew to Louisville, Ky., with a group of

Hale County men on Tuesday, Dec. 15 for the National Farmers Organization convention.

Mrs. Larry Ringwald and baby son arrived home safely from Germany on Tuesday, Dec. 15 after some delays and finally having to land in Midland due to the storm in Lubbock that day.

Mrs. Margaret Stultz of Plainview is here with her sister-in-law Mrs. Helen Burt and daughter to spend the holidays.

BARBARA WILHELM, daughter of Francis Wilhelms and Kaye Braddock, daughter of Charles Braddocks, flew home on Thursday from Minneapolis for a two-week Christmas vacation.

Leon Schulte, son of Roy Schulte, is home for Christmas. He is stationed at Fort Sill, Okla.

MANY COLLEGE students are home for Christmas, having completed their midterm papers early. Others will be arriving in the next day or two.

Rosella Pohlmeier is home with her folks the Vincent Pohlmeiers and to visit her sister Carolyn and family, the Les Boyles, after their three year stay in Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. Math Albracht and granddaughter Lisa Rosner visited his mother, Mrs. Anna Albracht, and Greg Hoeltings and other relatives Sunday.

JOE DRERUP has been in the hospital several days suffering from a knee injury.

Merry Christmas! May God bless you all.

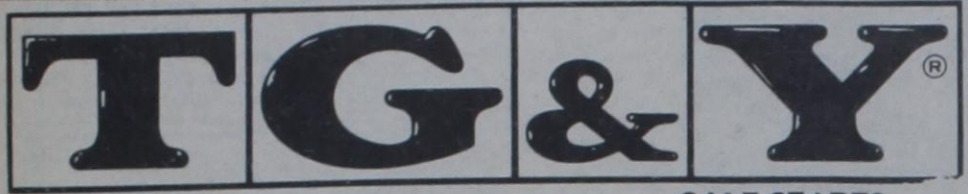


DANNY EBELING GOES UP FOR TWO POINTS ... In Friday night's varsity game against Tulia

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

LETTERS TO SNTA Dear Santa Claus,

I am six years old. I have tried to be good this year. I would like to have a mechanical dog, a pom-pom game, a baby go bye-bye, some books and a teddy bear. How are Mrs. Claus and the reindeer? I hope you are all well.

I love you, Jerri Ka Clark

Dear Santa, I will be home for Christmas this year. Please bring me a Baby-Go-Bye Bye, a baby bed for my doll, and a new coffee pot. I have a baby brother; he is 4 months old and his name is Wes. Please bring Wes a raddler and a musical T.V.

I have tried to be a good girl. Wes has been a good boy also. I will leave you some cookies and milk when you come. Grandmas Beana and Pa Pa Dub, Jamie and Paul will be at Millie's Christmas Eve, please don't forget them.

Thank you, Love you, Shannon Doan

dear Santa Claus My brother wants a racetrack and a football. I want a velvet doll and a Art-A-Matic.

thank you Kim and Jeff Watts

Dear Mr. Santa Claus: We are writing to you to tell you what we want for Christmas.

Our little brother, David Scott would like to have a pick-up, and something to sit on while he watches TV, like an animal chair.

Greg wants an airplane, and a filling station and a train. Debra wants a Baby Tender Love, a stroller and some clothes for Baby Tender Love.

We have been good. We hope that you and Mrs. Claus will have plenty of toys and cookies for all good children and that you will both get a good rest after Christmas.

Love, Debra and Greg Sava 101 NW 12th Street Dimmitt, Tx 79027

On the Go VISITORS in the home of Sid an Myrtle Sheffy last week were Mrs. Frank Struve of Olton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bezner and son Frank of Hereford and Travis Knox of Claude.

ALERT ON GRASS FIRES The dry and windy weather has created conditions very favorable for grass fires. Hunters are urged to be doubly careful with fires while in the field.

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YARDAGE SALE SALE STARTS DEC. 26th

Illustration of a woman in a dress and a stack of fabric bolts. 36" R.O.M. FABRIC ASST. Assortment Spring Items Values to \$1.00 Yd. 3 YDS. \$1.00

Price reports:

Congress zips toward finish

By CON. BOB PRICE
If Congress operated the remainder of the year like it has since the election last month, sessions would be shortened considerably.

THE HOUSE acted on 33 bills last week, in addition there were numerous votes on conference reports brought back by members of the House who meet with representatives of the Senate to iron out differences in similar bills adopted by the two bodies.

I was honored to be the floor manager last week on my bill to increase Farmers Home Administration limitations on real estate loans to one person from \$60,000 to \$100,000. As funds for this program come from the private money market not the federal budget my proposal is cost-free to the taxpayer. Normally, the Chairman and Ranking Minority Member of the committee to which legislation is referred are floor managers of all legislation approved by their committee.

The bill was passed unanimously, because a compelling case was made for the much needed increase by those who spoke in behalf of the bill.

AS A byproduct of this action, Chairman Poage of the Agriculture Committee, has agreed to hold extensive hearings next year on other bills I have introduced to update F.H.A. lending operations.

POW
The House passed a resolution I sponsored commending those gallant Americans who participated in the rescue raid on the Son Tay prison camp near Hanoi. I believe the purpose of this mission was a noble one. Its planning and execution was a monument to the effectiveness of military action when clearly defined goals are established. The only lamentable facet of the rescue attempt was, of course, that American POW's had been moved prior to the raid. I think, how-

ever, had any captured Americans been released, both they and their gallant rescuers would have been met with open arms by the very demagogues who have called the mission a mistake.

SST
The fate of the super sonic transport, which has been much in the news of late, was dealt a critical blow when Senate liberals banded together and voted to deny further development funds for the aircraft. Fortunately, the House in a lopsided vote has refused to go along with the Senate action, and the issue is now being hotly debated by a Joint House-Senate Conference Committee.

I supported the SST program for several reasons. As the super-sonic age is upon us, if the U. S. fails to build the SST, Americans will in all probability be traveling via European-built SSTs. A loss of this revenue would cause an unfavorable swing in our balance of trade of at least \$17 billion. By failing to develop the SST, the U. S. will lose other aircraft markets and literally thousands of employment opportunities will be lost. Finally, SST operations will be established in such a manner that potential environmental problems will be minimized.

FOREIGN AID
The House has approved an additional \$550 million dollars in foreign aid, most of which will be channeled in the form of arms and ammunition to Cambodia and Vietnam to help those countries withstand Communist takeover; South Korea is being provided assistance in modernizing its military forces in anticipation of American troop withdrawals. Indonesia will get funds for patrol boats, light planes and other equipment that will enable its pro-western government to crush Communist inspired insurgencies that are cropping up in rural areas. Jordan and Lebanon will be pro-

FROM HART WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS



We extend our very best wishes for a most joyous holiday. May our community always typify the Spirit of Christmas.

This is our Christmas greeting to all our friends in Hart and throughout the county. We have donated our Christmas card money to the Hart Cemetery Fund to keep our cemetery a credit to our community and to the memory of those who rest there.

- Mrs. Sue Dinwiddie
- Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Bass
- Mr. and Mrs. Claude Ray
- Mr. and Mrs. Wamon Foster
- The Jerry Kittrell Family
- L. J. and Joyce Rice
- John and Jewell McLain
- Mr. and Mrs. Al Sharp
- Mrs. G. R. Bennett
- The J. V. Wescott Family
- Mrs. H. E. Loman
- The Pete Steiert Family
- Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Davis
- Mrs. Vasca Kittrell
- Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Maples
- Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Jones and Boys
- The R. C. Henderson Jr. Family
- Mrs. Mabel Aven
- Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Reed
- Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Martin Jr.

"THE TRAIL of civilization is strewn with the wrecks of delect races and nations which fell by the wayside when their soil resources played out."
— Southwestern Crop and Stock

"WE SHALL achieve conservation when and only when the destructive use of the land becomes unethical — punishable by social ostracism."
—Aldo Leopold



GREETINGS

As the Christmas spirit abounds through our community, we send our warmest greetings to all for a happy holiday. Sincere thanks for your generous consideration.

CARVER PHARMACY



a Joyous Christmas

Here's wishing you and yours all the long-lasting happiness of an old-fashioned Christmas. We deeply value your continued patronage ... and friendly good will. To everyone, a heartfelt thank you.

DIMMITT GIN
JACK TOMLIN, Owner

vided military assistance to facilitate the achievement of political stability in these two key Arab countries and the entire Middle East.

RAILROAD STRIKE

In a late night session, Congress enacted legislation giving railroad workers a 5 percent pay hike retroactive to last January 1, an additional 32 cents an hour retroactive to last November 1, and prohibiting railway strike or lockouts for 45 days. I voted against this legislation because I do not think the Federal government should have the authority to make wage or price determinations in a private labor-management dispute. Preventing strikes when it is in the national interest is

one thing; legislating wages, hours, or condition of employment is something entirely different. I favor the former, but not the latter.

"WHATEVER MAY be said to the contrary, all soils certainly suffer some degree of deterioration by long, unremitting tillage. When divested of that clothing with which nature always defends it if undisturbed, and when turned up naked to abide the forces of the blast, the happy medium of consistency is deranged, its best particles carried away in currents, and it is left a feeble skeleton, possessing only the faint semblance of departed fertility."
— Solomon Drowa, 1824

ASCS officials meet in capital on farm programs

A national conference on farm programs for the 70's was held in Washington, D.C. last week by the US Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, Farm Program Agency of the US Department of Agriculture.

ATTENDING from Texas were the members of the State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee: Clarence A. Danklefs, Chairman; Charles L. Calhoun, Frank H. Hinkson, John E. Rudd and Jose M. Villarreal, members. Also attending was D. W. McElwath, Executive Director of the State ASCS Office. W. M. Holt, Tim Moore, Harold J. Baker, Robert R. Lorenz, Kermit J. Decker and Donald B. Watson, program specialists, State office staff members of ASCS, also attended.

High-ranking government officials addressed the conference on a variety of current topics, with interest centered on new farm legislation which now awaits the signature of President Nixon.

Broad, long-range agricultural questions were also discussed by Secretary of Agriculture Clifford M. Hardin, Under-Secretary J. Phil Campbell, Assistant Secretary Clarence D. Palmbly, ASCS Administrator Kenneth E. Frick and other USDA officials.

ON THE opening day of the National Farm Program Conference, Oklahoma Congressman Page Belcher of the House Agriculture Committee was the luncheon speaker. A featured speaker that afternoon was Attorney General John Mitchell.

"Most of the conference was devoted to information on the new farm legislation," ASC Committee Chairman Danklefs said. "The legislation is a significant change in American farm policy and programs. It is designed to give farmers more opportunity to manage production for market demand and increase farm income. It provides farmers more freedom in management of their farms than any previous farm program legislation."

He stated it was his understanding that producers could look forward to learning details of the new farm programs in the near future. "The National Conference on Farm Programs for the 70's is the first step in acquainting farmers with the new directions of farm programs," Danklefs said.

"THE CONCLUSION is plain: Time and land are running out, and we dare not delay for a single unnecessary reason in safeguarding the productive land which we have left."
— Dr. H. H. Bennett

"NATURE does not GIVE anything. It LENDS. It will continue to lend as long as the loan is returned. When nothing is paid back, nothing is lent. Nature keeps a constant balance between its income and loans. When the loans are not repaid the borrower, man, and not the lender, nature is eliminated. Anyone who ignores the balance of nature does so at his own peril!"
—From OUR USE OF THE LAND

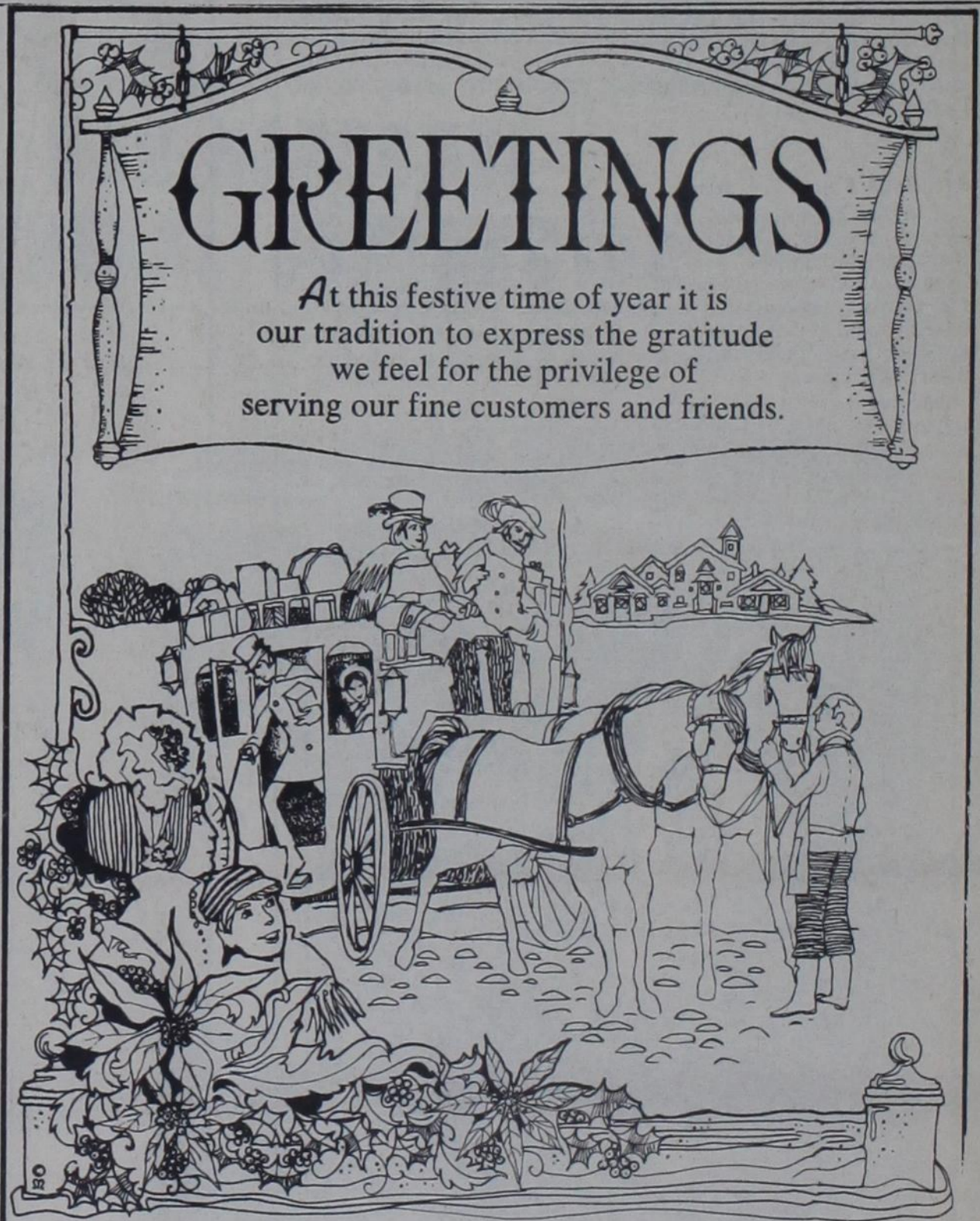
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GREETINGS

May your home be warmed by the spirit of the Christmas spirit. And to our loyal patrons and neighbors we extend our thanks.

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GREETINGS

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Start Packing Your Bag Right Now, Santa!



Dimmitt, Texas
December 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
I am a good girl and I am very very good to. My sister and brother are very very good too. I go to school and I am in the third grade. Me and my sister and brother are very very good in school. And I want baby fist step for Christmas. We have a christmas tree in our room. And I want blue and red bicycle.

Your friend
Erie Elizabeth Rivers

Dear Santa
I want a vest of brown leather with fringe. I would also like a race track and Operation game. I would. How is Rudolph? Is his nose still shining? I hope you are all fine

Love
Janet

Nazareth Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a little John Deere tractor, a big plastic horse that my GI Joe can ride, and a miniature matchbox city. I am five years. My name is Marvin. I tired to be a good boy this year.

Thank you.

Love,
Marvin Schmucker

Dimmitt Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
The only thing I want for Christmas this year is a blue "Honda 50 mini trail" and a blue crash helmet.

Your friend,
Allen Turpen

Dimmitt Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I have trid to be a good boy this year so I thought you could bring me a foodball game for me. and a foodball to and that is all.

Ruben Nino

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 10, 1970

Dear Santa,
What I like best is Christmas. I like it because you bring toys to us. What I won't this Christmas. I won't a dollhouse. I want it because little dolls fit in the dollhouse. Please bring it to me.

Your friend
Elsa Montes

Rt. D Box 7
Nazareth Texas

Dear Santa,
Please may I have a barbie doll for Christmas. May I have a barbie doll's car and may I have a barbie doll house. I Love You very very much. I was a good girl. Bring every Boy and girl something for Christmas. Thank you. I am 7 years old. I have two brothers and I have one sister.

Love, Danelle Schmucker

Dimmitt Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I want a pop corn maker and Chissy I tried to be good. Please would you bring them to me and my sister a Barbie doll Please bring them to us.

Your truly
Maria Trivinia

Dear SANTA
1 SEA Devils
1 Astronaut
1 hippie boots 12 1/2
1 Kleats 12 1/2

Jerr Don Hurley

Dimmitt Texas
Dec. 9, 97070

Dear Santa,
I want a doll that her hair grows and I a new wig. I want a dress with pleats in it and I

want a ball. I hope we will have cur Christmas tree up in time.

Your friend,
Amy Tiemann

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I would like a doll and a bicycle for Christmas and that is all Santa and please bring it to me.

Your friend
Debra Zamora

Dear Santa
I would like to have a small Buggy and what every other toy that you want me to have. The End

Love Renee

Dimmitt Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I am a good girl. I love you very very much. I want a New Velvet and clothes and books. I

want a chalk board and a clock.

Yours truly,
Lupe Lopez

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 10, 1970

Dear Santa
I would like a Velvet And some Early American furniture. And a two dolly stroller. And a baby dancer.

Yours truly
Tommy Kay Gallion

Dimmitt, Texas
December 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby go by by and a Velvet and I have tried to be good. December 8 was my birthday. I am having fun in school. I always am anxious for Christmas because my aunt Charlotte comes every Christmas.

Merry Christmas
Yours truly,
Carla Sue

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good girl. I want a Baby go bey bey. I want a chilton cookware set. And a big 30 pice tea set. And a easy bake oven. And a luggage set. And a play pocketbook. And a doll coach. And a 37 key piano.

Yours truly,
Ginger Lea Woolver

Dear Santa
I am little girl four years old. My sister is writing for me. I have been good this year. I want a doll, barbie case, and any thing else you want to bring me. And don't forget my brother and sister.

Love you,
Darla Kay Butler
P.S. And don't forget the other children. I will leave you a snack.

Dimmitt, Texas
Dec. 9, 1970

Dear Santa,
I would like a bike and a guitar I have been a good boy

Love Bryan

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

For you, we wish a Christmas warmed with the spirit of a glowing hearth, bright with the joys of gleaming trees and glad surprises ... and most of all, rich in the blessings of home and family. It is our privilege to send you this fond greeting and with it our deep gratitude for your patronage.



Holiday Fun Prompts Lively Party Ideas

Christmas gatherings just naturally turn into parties — friends and relatives drop in with holiday greetings, and all of a sudden it's a party!

Party games designed especially for the season can spur on the fun.

For groups large or small, parties planned or impromptu, the following entertaining ideas are suggested.

One way to "break the ice," especially when all of the guests are not well acquainted with each other, is to play a guessing game. A Christmas Personality game can be played by pinning a name such as "Rudolph," "Santa" or "Christmas Angel" on the backs of several guests. Then each tries to guess his name by hints others give.

Another way to start a party is to start the guests out thinking! Have a little contest and see who can spell the most words with the letters in "Christmas."

Musical Candy Cane

A lively combination version of Musical Chairs and Hot Potato makes use of some unbreakable symbol of Christmas festivities — a small package, one of the sturdier tree ornaments, a big candy cane.

One person who is not playing puts on a Christmas record. Everyone sits in a close circle and passes the object around. When the music suddenly stops, the person who

has the object in his hand is out. This continues until the circle is reduced to one — the winner!

Pin the Star

Children never tire of exciting party games, while the adults may need a rest. One game that is loads of fun for kids to play and adults to watch is a seasonal version of "Pin the Tail on the Donkey." This one is "Pin the Star on the Christmas Tree."

It's easy to cut a large shape of a Christmas Tree out of green construction paper and tape it to a wall or door, making sure it is low enough for the littlest guest to reach the top.

Each child gets a paper star with tape on the back and takes his turn being blindfolded and spun around. The one who can place his star closest to the top of the tree wins.

Christmas Tree

A Christmas Tree game that everyone can play is a guessing game. In "Christmas Tree" the person who is "it" leaves the room while the other players decide on a secret word. It must be a verb, or a word showing action, such as run, eat or swim.

When "it" comes back, he tries to guess the word by asking questions using "Christmas Tree" in place of the word. He may ask, "Do children Christmas Tree?"



Best wishes for a holiday season filled with happiness and good cheer. And sincere thanks for your patronage.

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In Germany

A procession which blends pagan and Christmas customs is part of the legend and lore of the holiday in Ruppin, Germany. A rider on a white horse, symbolizing the horse of the pagan god Wotan, leads the parade. He is followed by Father Christmas, who is decked with ribbons and carries candy and fruit.

In Peru

Toro! In Lima, Peru, Christmas day is not exclusively a church holiday, because it also marks the greatest bullfight of the year.

In Costa Rica

In the island country of Costa Rica, "portals" are set up in homes. These are elaborate Nativity scenes sometimes filling an entire room.

In Switzerland

A Swiss custom that dates back to the Middle Ages is to start the New Year free of debts. December 8th, the feast of St. Nicholas of Myra, the first Santa Claus, is the day set to meet all monetary obligations such as rents and mortgages.

In England

From the north of England comes the happy custom of the kissing bough. A large hoop, twined with greens, is decorated with apples and candles. And in the center there's mistletoe—signal for exchanging kisses.

In Austria

Custom of writing letters to Santa Claus may have begun in Austria, where, long ago, it was an Advent tradition for children to write letters containing lists of what they'd like to receive on St. Nicholas' Day.

In Italy

From Italy comes a most poetic addition to Christmas lore. For three weeks during the Christmas season, children traditionally go from place to place reciting Christmas poems. They expect coins in return, to buy holiday goodies.

In Sweden

An ancient custom that is still observed in some Swedish households today is that of "dipping bread into the pot." Each person dips a piece of bread into pork and sausage drippings and eats it for good luck.

In Holland

For St. Nicholas season, it's traditional in Holland to make flat cakes called *Klassjes*. Once exclusively made in the form of the bishop, St. Nicholas, *Klassjes* now take any form of bird, beast or fish.

In France

At Salers in central France, old-time tradition calls for a king and queen to rule over Christmas festivities. Rulers pay for the privilege, since they are "elected" by bidding at an auction held on the church steps.

In Brazil

Brazilian lore and legend says that Three King's Day is a time for poetry contests. Verses accompanied by guitars are featured.

In Chile

Unique among Christmas customs in Chile is a grand fiesta that centers around horse racing.

In Venezuela

Hallaca, a native Venezuelan dish, is an awaited delicacy during the Christmas season. It is made of corn meal with pork and chicken stuffing and numerous other ingredients, and then wrapped in plantain leaves to form a type of pie.

In Argentina

It's a mid-summer Christmas in Argentina, and the traditional feast is generally served outdoors. Rosebuds and jasmine deck the table, which has as edible centerpiece a whole roast suckling pig.

In Colombia

People parade in masquerade on Christmas Eve in Colombia. Each masquerader tries to guess the identity of others. When someone guesses correctly, he can claim a small gift from the person who was "unmasked."

In Guatemala

An ancient custom in Guatemala is to "light the road to Bethlehem" by placing lanterns in windows and doorways for nine nights before Christmas.

In Panama

Children in Panama participate in midnight mass on Christmas Eve by caroling to an accompaniment of castanets and tamborines.

Wreaths Got Pagan Start

During this holiday season, a wide variety of colorful wreaths deck the doorways of homes in this community.

The use of wreaths at holiday time stems from the customs of Advent season—the four Sundays before Christmas. Traditionally, Advent wreaths are made of evergreens, trimmed with ribbons, and hold four candles to be lit during the Sundays of Advent.

The wreath, which has no beginning or end, represents eternity, and the evergreens symbolize growth and life, according to the editors of the *New Book of Knowledge*.

Like many other Christian holiday customs, the Advent wreath originated in pagan ceremonies.

During the dark days of the winter solstice, the worshippers of northern Europe sought to please their absent god, the sun, and persuade him to return, by using a wheel trimmed with greenery.

The wreath was made of an actual wheel, taken from a cart and wrapped in greens. Lights, too, were added.

Decorating with Cards Can Be Yule Project

When children need a change from the toys on Christmas day, a promising project could be to let them see what they can do with the family greeting cards.

Here are some suggestions from Jeannette Lee, art director for Hallmark.

Tape or staple cards to lengths of ribbon and hang them on walls or doors.

Make a Christmas wreath by attaching cards to a circle of cardboard.

"Frame" cards with construction paper.

Decorate a screen with cards.

Legend, Lore Of Holiday Takes Varied Forms

The belief that Santa has a reindeer-drawn sleigh and enters homes through the chimney may have come from Scandinavia. An old Norse legend about the goddess Hertha said that she rode on a reindeer's back.

Her appearance in the fireplace in mid-winter was thought to bring good luck to the home.

"Silent Night, Holy Night" was written in 1818 by a village priest in Hallein, Austria. Father Joseph Mohr wrote the words, to an accompaniment created by his organist, Franz Gruber.

Legend has it that the church organ was out of order—damaged by mice—and so "Silent Night" was first sung to a guitar accompaniment.

Who invented that popular holiday beverage, eggnog? It has been part of the festivities for so many years that nobody really knows its origin.

One possibility is that eggnog came from the Old English hot drink, sack-posseset, which was also made of eggs, milk, nutmeg and sugar.

Among the earliest Christmas tree ornaments were some that resembled the sun, stars and moon, or animals.

Using signs of nature as decorations can be traced back to the feasts of the winter equinox, when sun-worshipping pagans hung similar trinkets on trees.

"The cattle were lowing," says the carol, "Away in a Manger," and Nativity paintings often show the animals of the manger.

Appropriately, tradition says that cattle and other domestic animals should have a special feast on

Christmas Eve. It's legendary, too, that cattle are given the power of speech for a few moments at this time.

Mistletoe, said to hold a license for kissing, was renowned in ancient times for many mystical powers. Because of its pagan associations, it was long forbidden in churches.

A German legend held that, if a sprig of mistletoe was carried into an old house, the ghosts of the house would appear and answer questions.

Foods Flavor Celebrations

"What's for dessert?" At Christmas, the traditional answer to this question in England, the United States and Canada is, "Mince pie and plum pudding."

One legend says that it brings good luck to eat mince pie on Christmas day.

In earlier times, mince pies were baked in an oblong shape meant to represent the manger.

Plum pudding, too, has its legend of luck, but here the good luck comes in the making of the pudding. Every member of the family must stir the pudding while it's being made, if good fortune is desired, says an old English tradition.

Fruit cake is one of many specially-baked cakes that are part of the food-and-feasting customs of Christmas. These also are said to bring good fortune and good health.


Rich, elaborate cookies and special breads add to the flavor of the holiday season.

ABOUT WISE MEN

Except for the words of St. Matthew, legend accounts for the little that is known about the wise men. One of the legends says that the star appeared to them once more, near the end of their lives.

JOYOUS GREETINGS

Truly, Christmas is a season of rejoicing, as the Miracle of the sacred manger lives anew in heart and spirit. To our good friends, we send joyous greetings, with sincere gratitude.



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Christmas Greetings

As the sights and sounds of the holiday season are upon us once again, may we wish all of you a happy and peaceful Christmas. Thank you for your very loyal friendship.

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At this season of joy our Heavenly Father, we render thanks to Thee for the gift of eternal life given so freely in the person of Thy Son, Jesus Christ. May we humbly, by faith accept Thy gift.

Amen.



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State Capitol Highlights

Car insurance increase due; controversy brewing in Austin

By VERN SANFORD
Texas Press Association
Car owners in Texas got the expected bad news when the staff of the State Board of Insurance recommended a 23.4 percent average increase in auto insurance rates.

THE BOARD took no immediate action, but will set new rates by Jan. 1. If the agency holds to its past policy of allowing no increase in any line of coverage greater than 25 percent, the staff proposal may be scaled down to an effective 18.6 percent boost.

Earlier the regulatory body committed itself to a new rate-making formula taking into account investment income of companies and guaranteeing profit on underwriting after taxes.

STAFF recommendations would build into the rate base a 4.7 percent profit on policy writing and on 8.7 percent allowance for state and federal taxes.

Industry representatives, still not satisfied, argued their case for a 27.7 percent average state-wide increase and removal of the arbitrary maximum change limitation of 25 percent for any line. They claimed serious underwriting losses of \$45.7 million over the last decade.

Proposals brought angry rumbles from legislators. Sen. Oscar Mauzy of Dallas predicted that lawmakers "will not allow this economic miscarriage of justice to stand unchallenged." Rep. Joe Allen of Baytown also called the proposed rate increases "tragic abuse of government regulation and free enterprise system."

Texas AFL-CIO has called on drivers to appeal to the legislature for a change in the rate system, and reportedly is studying possible legal action.

WELFARE CHANGES URGED
A raise in welfare benefits, removal of the constitutional ceiling on payments, reorganization of the Department of Public Welfare and a new approach to problems of needy families with dependent children were recommended by the blue-ribbon Senate Welfare Study Committee.

The committee said the state must aim at development of children rather than simply maintaining them on aid rolls to break the poverty cycle. These additional recommendations were included in the 85-page report:

A constitutional amendment to permit garnishment of wages for court-ordered child support. A vendor drug program to sup-

ply medicines to Medicaid recipients. Renaming the Welfare Department the Department of Human Resources and reorganizing it with a head named by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate.

Complete overhaul or streamlining of department administration with increased use of computer methods.

Committee Chairman William P. Hobby Jr. said that the Legislature next January will have to pass an emergency appropriation of more than \$40 million just to carry the welfare program at present levels to the end of the biennium.

APPOINTMENTS

Gov. Preston Smith named his former executive assistant, Harold K. Dudley, chairman of the Texas Employment Commission, succeeding Mrs. Nancy Sayers, TEC's first woman chairman.

Bill Doggett of Brownwood was confirmed as deputy commissioner for mental health for the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Dr. Bill R. Walker of San Angelo was appointed superintendent of the Austin State School, replacing Larry W. Talkington.

J. W. (Bill) Irwin, Denton State School business manager since 1960, will succeed Walker at San Angelo.

Dr. Arch M. Connolly of Austin was appointed superintendent of Wichita Falls State Hospital, replacing Dr. Bernard A. Rappaport, who accepted a teaching job at the University of Illinois Medical School.

Walker and Irwin's appointment are effective Dec. 16, Connolly's Feb. 1.

ISLAND CONTROVERSY RAGES
Gov. Smith urged the Texas Conservation Foundation to call a special session and review the facts surrounding the controversy over purchase of Mustang Island park land.

Parks and Wildlife Commission Chairman Pearce Johnson has refused to sign an application for federal aid to buy 3,900 acres from Mrs. Sam E. Wilson Jr. of Corpus Christi, claiming other areas have higher priority for the state's limited park bonds. Two other members of the Commission disagree and want to buy the Wilson property now.

Conservatica groups have called for Johnson's removal as liaison officer to break the impasse.

TRAFFIC SAFETY PROMOTED
Legislative measures to get more problem drivers, especially

drunks, off Texas highways were urged at the second annual Governor's Traffic Safety Conference. Col. Wilcox Speir, Department of Public Safety director, said the 12-month minimum suspension law for drunk driving now opens the door to an excessive number of probated sentences. He suggested a 60-to-90-day mandatory suspension without probation.

DPS head also proposed statutory fixing of .10 percent blood alcohol level as the presumptive test of intoxication, broadened support for driver education, prescribed safety equipment for motorcycles and updating of the uniform traffic code.

RETURNS CERTIFIED

Official canvass of returns of the general election showed Democrat Lloyd Bentsen beat Repub-

Patrol takes aim at drunk drivers

Dead aim on the drunk driver will be taken by the Texas Highway Patrol during the long Christmas and New Year holiday periods and drunk drivers will be removed from the road, according to Sgt. Jack Crowover.

"VIOLATIONS of traffic laws cause accidents, which lead in turn to injuries and fatalities," Sgt. Crowover declared. "Highway Patrol officers will remove all unsafe drivers from the road, looking particularly for drinking drivers, speeders, and those operating their vehicles in an unsafe manner."

The DPS "Operation Holiday" will be in two parts, from 6 p.m. Dec. 24, through midnight Dec. 27, and from 6 p.m. Dec. 31, through midnight Jan. 3. Both are 78-hour periods.

Sgt. Crowover announced that all patrol units and all available patrolmen will work around the clock during the holiday period.

GOVERNOR Preston Smith has urged all Texans to observe the motto "Drive Friendly" at all times, but especially during the holiday season. Briefly stated, this means to drive safely and treat other motorists the way you would like to be treated.

"Christmas is a season of joy and good will," Sgt. Crowover stated. "Don't let an accident mar your holiday. Don't be responsible for causing an injury or death. Our streets and highways can be safe if the public will only think safe driving and drive defensively."

lican George Bush for U.S. Senate by 155,334 votes and Governor Smith defeated GOP Paul Eggers by 158,675 votes. Total turnout exceeded 2.3 million.

There was one upset in the canvass. A constitutional amendment allowing the Governor to appoint a three-member State Building Commission, believed to have passed, actually was defeated by 6,337 votes.

SHORT SNORTS

Traffic deaths on interstate highways, down early in the year, took a big jump in recent weeks — seven percent above 1969 — according to the Department of Public Safety.

Texas Hospital Association applauded the US Senate finance committee amendment authorizing waiver of the requirement that Medicare hospitals have a registered nurse on duty 24 hours a day.

A seminar on package tours will highlight the fifth annual Governor's Tourist Development Conference on Dec. 1 here.

Governor's scientific advisory panel has recommended the creation of a pesticide review board and updating of pesticide laws.

What are the pros and cons of creating new reservoirs?

Just the mention of a reservoir in water-short Texas often brings cries of joy from around the state.

A RESERVOIR means water saved, great recreational opportunities in the way of boating and fishing, and increases in property values for those owning shoreline property.

But as more and more of Texas reservoirs are built, biologists, ecologists and wildlife specialists are taking second looks at reservoirs to assess their impact on wildlife ecology.

R. G. Mauerermann, deputy director of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, says the well-known law of physics which states "for every action there is an opposite and equal reaction," can be applied to environmental problems too.

"In the environmental sense," says Mauerermann, "we can be sure that wherever the environment is altered by any action of man or nature, changes from the known normally will follow. Because nature and the environment are dynamic, gains made in one direction are usually made at the expense of something else."

THE OLD BELIEF that fish and wildlife resources will be enhanced by construction of reservoirs is not necessarily so. It is possible, he warns, that fish and wildlife will be adversely influenced by the construction of storage reservoirs or conveyance structures, such as canals, for the distribut-

ion of water to areas of water shortage.

Because reservoirs inundate large areas of bottomland, the state loses thousands of acres of prime, or potentially prime, habitat for deer, turkeys, squirrels and furbearers. With the present reservoirs and those planned for the future, this represents a tremendous loss of first-rate, irreplaceable habitat.

Unless there is suitable unoccupied habitat into which the displaced wildlife can move, it will not survive.

Any crowding, according to Mauerermann, will not be beneficial for either the wildlife or its habitat.

Fish benefit only temporarily when irreplaceable stream habitat is inundated, creating open water habitat.

"SO FAR as the world's food is concerned, all peoples must learn together to make proper use of the earth on which we live. Hovering even now over our shoulders is a specter as sinister as the atomic bomb because it could depopulate the earth and destroy our cities. This creeping terror is the wastage of the world's natural resources and particularly the criminal exploitation of the soil. What will it profit us to achieve the H-bomb and survive that tragedy or triumph if the generations that succeed us must starve in a world, because of our misuse, grown barren as the mountains of the moon?" — Dwight D. Eisenhower

BUT BIOLOGISTS after taking a long term view of the situation have seen that the fish which ultimately dominate the reservoir fish populations are those naturally best adapted to the newly-created open water habitat. These are what most persons consider "rough fish" such as carp, buffalo, shad and suckers.

GREETINGS
To all of you, the merriest of Christmases is what we're wishing. May fondest memories endure. Thanks, most warmly.
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Christmas Peace and Joy
IN THE EAST A STAR SHONE, GUIDING THE MAGI TO THE MIRACLE OF THE MANGER. MAY THE MESSAGE OF THE NATIVITY LIGHT OUR WAY TO JOY AND PEACE. WITH GRATITUDE, WE SEND GREETINGS.
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Greetings
Christmas tidings echo their joy and wonderment throughout the land. 'Midst the happy bustle of holiday preparations, we pause to bid wishes for health and happiness to our dear customers, their families and friends. Thank you, one and all.
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Here are the provisions of the 1971 cotton program

A national average 1971-crop price-support loan of 19 1/2 cents per pound, net weight basis, and other features of the new Agricultural Act of 1970 Program for upland cotton have been announced by the US Department of Agriculture.

AT THE same time, USDA revoked the upland cotton marketing quota and national acreage allotment proclaimed Oct. 15, 1970, which was required by existing legislation at that time and which have been in effect for the 1971 crop in the absence of new legislation.

The national average price-support loan rate of 19.50 cents per pound is for middling 1-inch upland cotton (micronaire 3.5 through 4.9) on a net weight basis, average location.

Application of loan rates on a "net weight" basis is a change from the previous method of basing loans on gross weight. The change to net weight loans was announced by USDA on March 27, 1970. If loans were made in 1971 on the basis of bale gross weights, as was the case in 1970 and many earlier years, the 1971 loan rate would be approximately 18.70 cents.

PRICE support loans available to program cooperators for different individual qualities will be based on the middling 1-inch rate. A schedule of premiums and discounts for these various qualities will be issued at a later date.

The 1971 loan rate was established under provisions of the Agricultural act of 1970 which provides for a level to reflect—for middling 1-inch upland cotton, micronaire 3.5 through 4.9, at the average location in the U.S.—90 percent of the estimated average world price for such cotton for the two-year period ending July 31, 1970.

A preliminary set-aside program payment rate to cooperators has been established by the 1970 act at 15 cents per pound. The final set-aside program payment, together with the national average market price for middling 1-inch cotton, micronaire 3.5 through 4.9 in the designated spot markets during the August-December 1971 period must equal the

higher of (1) 35 cents, or (2) 65 percent of parity as of the beginning of the marketing year, Aug. 1, 1971.

THE PAYMENT will not be reduced if the rate as finally determined is less than the rate of the preliminary payment.

The payment is made on a quantity of upland cotton determined by multiplying the acreage planted within the farm base acreage allotment by the payment yield established for the farm. The average location in the U.S.—farm payment yield is based on the actual yield per harvested acre for the immediately three preceding years, adjusted for abnormalities caused by drought, flood or other natural disaster.

There are, however, two exceptions: (1) The 1970 farm projected yield must be substituted for farm actual yields for 1968 and 1969, and (2) the farm payment yield for 1971 cannot be less than the 1970 farm projected yield if the total production for the farm in 1970 was at least equal to the 1970 farm projected yield multiplied by the 1970 farm domestic allotment.

THE Agricultural Act of 1970 limits cotton payments to any person to \$55,000. This limitation does not apply to loans.

Special provisions for small farms also is provided. The payment rate will be increased by 30 percent to any producer who (1) is on a farm on which the base acreage allotment is 10 acres or less or with payment production from the farm base allotment of 5,000 pounds or less, (2) resides on such farm, and (3) derives his principal income from cotton produced on such farm. This additional payment will be made on the basis of the producer's share of cotton actually harvested within the allotment on the farm in 1971.

Loans on 1971-crop upland cotton will be available to program cooperators for a term of 10 months from the first day of the month in which the loan is made upon presentation of warehouse receipts reflecting accrued storage charges of not more than 60 days. This will allow producers an extended period during which the

THE LAW provides that the national base acreage allotment shall be apportioned to the states on the basis of the acreage planted (including acreage regarded as having been planted) to upland cotton within the farm acreage allotment in the years 1965 through 1969, with adjustments in these acreages as required by law.

The 1971 base acreage allotment for each state will be apportioned among counties and the county allotments among farms according to provisions of the law and regulations issued by the secretary of agriculture.

To be eligible for loans and payments, cotton producers must set aside and devote to conserving uses an acreage of cropland not to exceed 20 percent of the farm base acreage allotment, plus the conserving base established for the farm. The decision on the actual percentage to be set

aside will be made prior to the program sign-up period.

Producers may graze the set-aside acres except during the five principal months of the normal growing season. Set-aside acreage must be protected against erosion, weeds, insect damage and rodents. Sweet sorghums may be planted on the set-aside acreage and grazed, except during the five principal months of the growing season.

UNLIKE previous programs, the farm allotment will not limit the acreage of cotton a participant can plant. A cotton farmer loan program may be utilized to promote orderly marketing and price stabilization.

In prior years, the loan maturity date was July 31, following the year in which the cotton was produced.

ALSO announced, as required

by the new law, is the national production goal of 11,993,500 bales (standard bales of 480 pounds net weight) and a national base acreage allotment of 11,500,000 acres for the 1971 crop of upland cotton.

The national goal is the sum of the estimated domestic consumption and estimated exports for the 1971-72 marketing year which begins Aug. 1, 1971, plus an allowance of five percent of the estimated domestic consumption and exports for market expansion, plus an adjustment necessary to provide carryover stocks in the US on July 31, 1972, equal to 50 percent of the average off-take for the three preceding marketing years.

The national base allotment of 11 1/2 million acres is apportioned to the states on the same basis as in previous years. This allotment for the state of Texas is 4,884,609 acres.

who sets aside the required acreage to conserving uses can plant all of the cotton he wishes—without penalty—and still receive the full payment on the farm base acreage allotment. A producer may participate in the cotton program on any farm or all farms in which he has an interest, as he wishes.

Failure to plant at least 50 percent of the farm's base acreage allotment will result in a reduction in payments. It could also result in a reduction in the 1972 allotment of as much as 20 percent. If no cotton is planted for three consecutive years, the entire allotment can be lost. All allotments removed from farms will be reallocated to other cotton farms.

Acreage not planted do to

drought, flood, other natural disaster, payment limitations or quarantine imposed on the growing of cotton by federal, state, or local government will be considered as planted to cotton for allotment preservation and payment purposes.

RELEASE and reapportionment and sale and lease of allotments are continued under the new program. The Dec. 31 deadline for filing applications for sale and lease of allotments is eliminated so producers will have ample time to complete these transactions.

The same skip-row planting rules which were in effect for the 1970 crop will be applicable for the 1971 crop except that skips of two or more rows will be eligible for designation as set-aside

acreage. Under past programs, skips had to be at least four rows wide to be eligible for designation as diverted acres. As under past programs, skips of one or more rows will count toward meeting the conserving base requirement for the farm.

Producers who wish to participate in the program must sign up at the ASCS county office between March 1 and April 9, 1971.

The ASCS county office will notify producers of their base yield conserving bases and set-aside requirements prior to sign-up, according to Jim Elder, chairman of the Castro County ASC Committee.

Information on sale and lease of allotments and other program provisions can also be obtained from the ASCS county office.



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1971 wheat program should be easier to comply with

Wheat growers under the net set-aside program for 1971, announced Dec. 8 by Secretary of Agriculture Clifford M. Hardin, can plant more wheat and get larger marketing certificate payments than they could have planted under permanent legislation, which would have gone into effect if the Agricultural Act of 1970 had not been enacted.

In 1971 there will be no national wheat acreage allotment comparable to 1970—only a domestic use allotment totaling 19.7 million acres. This is the acreage necessary to produce 533 million bushels of wheat on participating farms, for domestic use during 1971-72.

However, the domestic wheat allotment will not limit the acreage of wheat a participant can plant, as did previous allotments. Wheat from the 1971 crop will be eligible for loans at a national average of \$1.25 per bushel.

The set-aside will be between 60 and 75 percent of the wheat allotment. The decision on the actual percentage will be made before the program sign-up period. A wheat farmer who sets aside to conserving use an acreage of cropland equal to the required

percentage of his domestic allotment and maintains his conserving base can plant all of the wheat he wishes—or any other non-quota crop—on his farm and receive wheat certificates.

Unlike previous programs, he will receive wheat certificates even if he plants no wheat at all. Quota crops for which acreage restrictions will be in effect in 1971 are peanuts, rice, tobacco, extra long staple cotton, and sugarcane.

"Most significant feature of the new program," Hardin said, "is the concept of giving farmers more freedom of choice in seeking improved crop production and marketing goals for his entire farm after setting aside an acreage of cropland representing his share of national land use adjustment goals."

Participating wheat farmers will receive 100 percent of parity on the production of their full domestic allotment. Face value of the certificates will be the difference between 100 percent of parity on July 1, 1971, and the national average wheat price received by farmers during the first five months of the marketing year.

PRODUCERS will get preliminary

payments equal to 75 percent of the estimated face value of the certificates soon after July 1. The remainder will be paid after Dec. 1, 1971. No producer refund will be required if the preliminary payment proves to be higher than the full payment due the farmer.

Producers of wheat for domestic food use will continue to pay 75 cents per bushel towards the domestic certificate value. There will be no export marketing certificates issued during the 1971-72 marketing year.

Although producers are not required to plant wheat to obtain certificates, failure to plant at least 90 percent of the farm's domestic allotment can result in a reduction in the 1972 allotment of as much as 20 percent. If wheat is planted for 3 consecutive years, the entire allotment can be lost. All allotments removed from farms will be reallocated to other wheat farms.

LOSS OF allotment due to failure to plant can be avoided, however. Acreage which is not planted due to a drought, flood, or other natural disaster or a condition beyond the control of the producer will be considered planted to wheat, and any producer who makes a set-aside but elects to receive no payment will not suffer allotment loss. In addition, the Secretary under the new legislation may consider acreage planted to feed grains or soybeans as planted to wheat to prevent loss of allotment history.

In 1971, acreage planted to soybeans will not be considered planted to wheat, unless it is later determined that this action is needed to prevent a shortage of soybeans. Acreage planted to feed grain in 1971 will be considered planted to wheat to prevent loss of allotment.

The improved substitution offered by the 1971 program enables a farmer to plant all of his acre-

age to wheat or feed grain without loss of history or program benefits. In addition, he can plant wheat or feed grain on acreage previously devoted to low-return crops. There is no provision regarding excess wheat production in the 1971 program. However, excess wheat stored under prior programs may be released to the extent production is less than three times the domestic allotment multiplied by the farm yield.

Another feature of the set-aside program is that established summer fallow wheat farms which devote at least 55 percent of their cropland to that use will not be required to set-aside any additional acreage in order to qualify for program benefits.

As in 1970, producers may graze set-aside acres except during the five principal months of the normal growing season, and set-aside acreage must be protected against erosion, weeds, insect damage and rodents. In 1971, sweet sorghums may be planted on the set-aside acreage and grazed, except during the five months of the growing season.

Producers who wish to qualify for program benefits must sign up to participate between March 1 and April 9, 1971. A producer may participate in the wheat program on any farm or all farms in which he has an interest, as he wishes.

THE Agricultural Act of 1970 limits wheat certificate payments to any person to \$55,000. This limitation will affect a small number of wheat producers. For instance, in the 1969 wheat program, only 47 out of around two million wheat producers received certificate payments in excess of \$55,000 each. The limitation of payments provision does not apply to loans or to sales of eligible wheat to the Commodity Credit Corporation. Neither does it apply to lands owned by states, political subdivisions or agencies of states or other political subdivisions as long as they are farmed primarily in the direct furtherance of a public function. However, the limitation applies to persons who lease and farm these lands.

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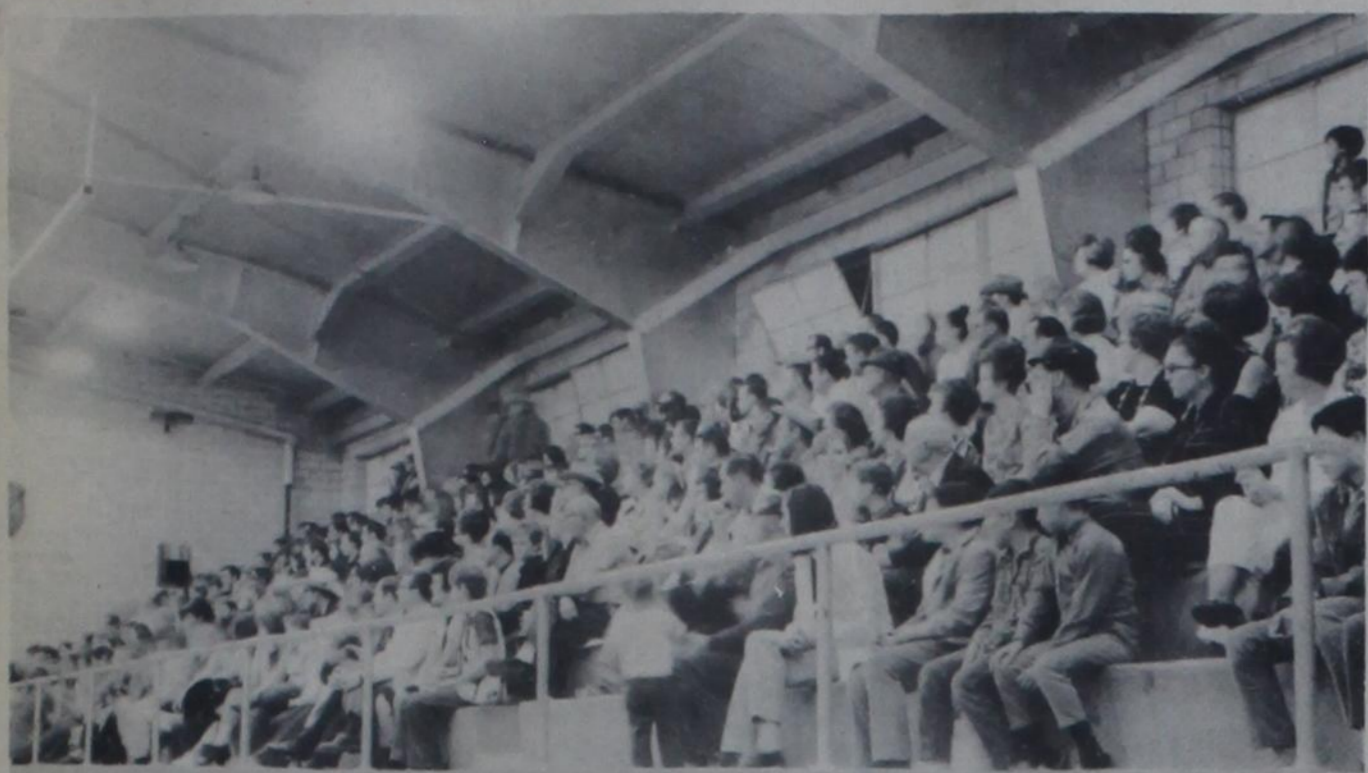
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The Face of Dimmitt



DON'T ANYBODY LEAVE!—With a seating capacity of 1,200, North Elementary Gymnasium can still handle Dimmitt's usual basketball crowd. But outside, it's a different story—the street can't handle all the parked cars. These time exposures taken during a recent game show cars double-parked on one side of West Jones Street and triple-parked on the other side. If you want to leave a game early, you're out of luck. And in case of a fire, heart attack or other emergency, the problem

could become tragic. Many blame the city and schools for this parking problem, but the blame is misplaced. The drivers' solution is embarrassingly simple, and close by. When these pictures were taken, the junior high school parking lot two blocks away and the stadium parking lot just a block away were both virtually empty. A minimum of cooperation could solve the problem. Let's save the close-up parking spaces for the lame and elderly. It won't hurt the rest of us to walk a block or two.

Sen. Ralph Yarborough

New bill could prevent diphtheria outbreak

By Sen Ralph Yarborough (D-Texas)

Last month Congress passed my Communicable Disease Control Bill. The President then signed into law this vital piece of health legislation. This is the Inoculation or Vaccination or Immunization Bill.

I WANT to tell you just what this bill means to our State of Texas. The Texas Office of Comprehensive Health Planning recently released a report on certain communicable diseases in Texas. This report shows that Texas has the highest rate of polio and measles in the country.

While Texas has just 5.5 percent of the nation's population, our state has 50 percent of all the diphtheria cases reported in all of the 50 states. Texas had 42 percent of all the polio cases.

The rate of polio and measles in Texas is three times as high as the national average, and the rate of diphtheria in Texas is nine times as high as the national average.

The study by the Health Planning Department covered 12 different diseases. Taking the overall ranking of the 12 diseases, Texas had the worst rate of communicable diseases; that is, we had the highest percentage of people suffering from communicable diseases of any state in the union.

This is not a first for Texas to be proud of. It is doubly tragic when you realize there are ways to protect against most of these diseases. And most of these are child diseases, and our children are suffering with measles, with diphtheria, and many of them will be crippled for life as a result of it.

Protection against these diseases is what my Communicable Disease Control Bill is about.

My bill authorizes a two-year program of federal grants to the different states to fight these diseases. My bill provides for programs to fight diphtheria, measles, polio, rubella, or German measles, and other communicable diseases.

With a good program of vaccinations, we could prevent such things as the outbreak of diphtheria in San Antonio this year.

Last year in Texas there were 3,000 cases of rubella, commonly

called the German measles. This disease is often not serious itself, or not taken seriously, but is dangerous if it strikes an expectant mother. When a pregnant woman gets rubella, there is one chance in four that her child will be born with a serious birth defect, or other serious physical defect such as blindness or men-

tal retardation. There was a rubella epidemic in the us in 1964. That epidemic resulted in more than 20,000 children being born in this country with birth defects. In 1964, there was no vaccine against rubella. Today we have such a vaccine. My bill will get this protection out to expectant mothers before the country is hit with another rubella epidemic. And such an epidemic is forecast for next year. My bill establishes these vital programs of protection. These programs must now get high priority for federal funds.

The high rate of communicable disease in Texas shows how much our state needs my bill. But communicable diseases do not respect state lines. The only way to fight these diseases is with a national program — a program which offers protection plans to all states. And this is what my bill — which is now signed into law by President Nixon — offers.

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