

# The Castro County News

Dimmitt, Texas, Thursday, December 23, 1976

With this Community Christmas Card, we wish you a Merry Christmas.

Instead of sending individual cards to our local friends, we have donated our card money to the Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary so that it may benefit your family and ours in the future. The life-saving equipment which this project will provide is our Christmas gift to our community.

This is our Christmas wish to you: That you, your family and every member of our wonderful community have a joyous and meaningful Christmas!

## The Blessings of Christmas



Courtenay and Charles Armstrong and Family  
 Teeny and L. B. Bowden  
 Mr. and Mrs. Swain Burkett  
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 Mr. and Mrs. George Bagley and Family  
 Fred and Juanita Bruegel  
 Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bruegel Jr. and Family  
 Monty, Maxine, Kathy, Kelly and Kay Ballard  
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 J. B. and Sarah Blackwell  
 Dr. Dennis Blackburn and Family  
 Truett and Johnnie Boothe  
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 Donna, Denise, Jane and David Behrends  
 Conan and Iris Ballard  
 Pauline Bell  
 Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bagwell  
 Mr. and Mrs. George Book  
 George and Ruby Bagwell  
 Mr. and Mrs. Bill Birdwell and Jim  
 Mr. and Mrs. Ivor Bagwell  
 Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Brown and Family  
 Weldon and Irene Bradley  
 Mr. and Mrs. Monty Boozer  
 Jack and Susie Bradford  
 Mike and Michele Bell  
 The Gene Bradleys, Tod and Zay  
 Bill, Jo, Dean and Richey Behrends  
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 Kent and Mary Jo Birdwell and Family  
 Emmett, Sue, Kyle, Kerry and Joylyn Broderson  
 Chet and Helen Braafadt  
 Deroy and Lorena Cates  
 Jackie, Sandra and Jeri Ka Clark  
 Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cleveland and Family  
 Maxine Childers  
 Cliff and Joan Cook  
 Cleo and Jewell Connell  
 Emily Clingsmith  
 Al, Lillian and Tommy Cameron  
 Rex and Virginia Cowart  
 Mr. and Mrs. Travis Campbell  
 Bob, Jackie, Leanne, Bobby and Sue Crozier  
 Betty Cartwright  
 The Jerry Cluck Family  
 Jack Cartwright  
 Bryce, Darlene, Melony and Kris Dowell  
 Mr. and Mrs. Sal DiCuffa  
 Floyd and Ferne Dickey  
 Elvon, Sue, Shannon and Tanya DeVaney  
 The Ben Derrick Family  
 Edgar, Betty, Connie and Debbie Dennis  
 Morgan, Geneva and Decimae Dennis  
 Aural C. Davis  
 Cecil and Trudy Dennis  
 The Clyde H. Damron Family  
 Bob, Jean and Brad DuLaney  
 Bill, Martha and Paul Dannevik  
 Jim and Dorothy Elder  
 Mr. and Mrs. Claud Forson  
 G. T. and Iva Ferguson  
 C. D., Linda, Crystal and Curt Fitzgearld  
 The Nolan Froehners  
 Mrs. John E. Gullion  
 Cecil and Blanche Ginn  
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 The Don Gregory Family  
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 Terry, Kathy, Brent and Clint Hill  
 Don, Mae and Laura Hargrove  
 Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hollums, Kimmie and Cindy  
 Essie Helvy  
 Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Hershey  
 Ben and Bernice Hill  
 James, Jerri, Sherry, Linda, David, Dean & Amber Horton  
 The Murray Hall Family  
 Charlie, Beverly, Todd and Tracy Hill  
 Mrs. Leola Haberer

Mrs. O. K. Howe  
 Maurine Henderson  
 The Jim Hays Family  
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hand, Becky and Larry  
 Bud, Doris and Mike Holland  
 Mrs. Beral Hance  
 R. V. and Delores Ivy  
 W. W. and Fern Jones  
 Cowboy, Jeanie and Monte Johnson  
 Faye Kenmore  
 Mr. and Mrs. Troy Kirby and Kent  
 Max, Irene, Cleve and Katrina Keating  
 Dale, Linda and Ryan L. Leinen  
 Florene Leinen  
 Mr. and Mrs. Vern Lust  
 Kent, Beverly and Monica Lindsey  
 Mr. and Mrs. Roy Meacham  
 Sharon Miller  
 F. J. and Louise Mears  
 Lester and Ettie McDermitt  
 J. R. and Mary Emma Matthews  
 Edd and Jackie McLeroy  
 Bob and Helen McLean  
 Mr. and Mrs. Russel Moran  
 The Glenn Merritts  
 Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Mauk  
 Robert, Roxie, Tracy, Jack and Robbie McLean  
 The Don Moores  
 Dorothy Magness  
 Jack and Murna Miller and Family  
 Joe and Louise Nelson and Family  
 Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Nelson  
 Mr. and Mrs. Norman Nelson and Family  
 Don and Verbie Nelson and Family  
 Nelle Newton  
 Clara Neumayer  
 Bob and Dorothy Ott  
 C. W., Darrell, Shirley, Chad and Melanie Pope  
 Lurline Pope  
 Durward and Betty Patterson and Lonnie Boothe

Dan, Jean, Kevin and Dennis Petty  
 Tommie Sue Petty  
 Jimmie Pinner  
 Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Ratcliff  
 Clyde and Betty Renfro  
 Ted, Jean, Larry, Cheryl, Jan and Lonnie Robb  
 Larry, Sue, Rocky and Scott Rawls  
 The Robert Ryan Family  
 The Donald Schilling Family  
 Raleigh and Grace Strother  
 James Shearer  
 Pete, Darla and Brian Stewart  
 Elbert and Mary Lois Summers  
 Oleda and Andy Schumacher  
 Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schilling and Family  
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 Ralph, Avis and Steve Smith  
 Noah and Ruth Spencer and Lyle Shive  
 Bedford and Elsie Smith  
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 The Bill Sava Family  
 O. B. Trimble  
 Sarena and Elzie Teague  
 Buster and Maxine Tidwell  
 Shirley, Brenda, Danny and Roger Underwood  
 Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dale Underwood and Family  
 Buster and Maxine Tidwell  
 Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Vaughan and Family  
 Richard and Ruth Wooten  
 Buck and Doris Word  
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wales and Family  
 James and Reta Welch  
 Mrs. J. C. Williams  
 The Lowell Weaver Family  
 E. R. and Lois Waggoner  
 Peggy and Allan Webb  
 The Donald Wright Family

Mrs. G. H. Webb  
 Gary, Ronda and Holly Wise  
 Mr. and Mrs. Rex Wooten, Joyce and Amy  
 The John Womack Family  
 Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Youts  
 Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Patton  
 Houston, Doris, Ann and Flo Lust  
 George and Irene Blanton  
 Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Holbrooks  
 The Don Reeve Family  
 Jackie, Ronda and Shannon Dale Powers  
 Billy, Sharla, Shayne and Brandi Mays  
 Leon and Oleta Sanders  
 Leroy, Linda and David Maxwell  
 Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tilley  
 Mr. and Mrs. Edon Minchew  
 J. O. and Mattie Seale  
 Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Webb  
 Dean Wiseman and Family  
 Dugan and Joe Butler  
 Bobby, Wanda, Debbie and Brad Murdock  
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 Mrs. B. A. Fuller  
 Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Fuller  
 Mr. and Mrs. Earl Chaney  
 Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Willis Jr.  
 Richard and Johnna Connell and Children  
 Mr. and Mrs. Paul Acker and Harold  
 The Milton Bagwell Family  
 Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Tittle  
 John, Sue, Lint, Suzanne, Amy and Johnny Merritt  
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Summers and Casey  
 Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Buckley and Darrell  
 Dennie Bruton and Glenn  
 The Dan Heard Family  
 C. A. and Oleda Hance  
 Andy and Helen Behrends  
 Mr. and Mrs. Danny Lewis  
 Arlie, Doris, Kristi and Carol Petty  
 Mr. and Mrs. Pat Patterson

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a bigwheel and I want  
a BB gun and a mimibike.  
Amos

Dear Santa,  
I want a bebegun and a ten  
sped bik and that is the end.  
Martin Alvarez

# Get a Bigger Sleigh, Santa Claus!



Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Marching  
Mickey Mouse for Christmas. I  
love you. I have been a good  
girl. My brother Rusty wants a  
digital clock. Please remember  
the other boys and girls too. I  
will leave you some cookies and  
milk by our stockings at our  
house. But we will be at Pa's  
and Gee's house and we will  
see you there.  
Love,  
Jennifer Carter

Dear Santa Claus,  
Merry Christmas! My name  
is Patrick. Christmas is fun. I  
would like a B-B gun and a  
Nerf Rocket and a Socker Bop-  
per. Merry Christmas, Santa  
Claus.  
Love,  
Patrick Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas. I'm eight  
years old. I want a Lego Police  
Set, please and a Tin Can  
Alley. I like you.  
Love,  
Russell Acker

Dear Santa Claus,  
Merry Christmas. I want to  
get a Bridle for my daddy, and  
a Thumbelina for me. I love  
you. I am eight years old. Bring  
something for my mother too. I  
want a trampoline.  
Love,  
Melissa Finley

Dear Santa,  
I want a Holly Hobby doll  
and a watch. I would also like a  
view Master and reels, a Mas-  
ter Doctor Kit, Etch-a-Sketch,  
and Winnie-the-Pooh guitar.  
Thank you.  
Kelly Hoelting

Dear Santa Claus,  
I love you. Would you please  
bring me a hot cycle and a big  
barn and animals? Bring all my  
family what they want. I am in  
the first grade.  
Love,  
Darrin Heiman

Dear Santa,  
I want a trampoline. I don't  
wany anything else.  
Love,  
Rachel Huseman

Dear Santa Claus,  
Merry Christmas to all! I  
want a walky talky and a six  
million dollor man. I want some  
Dallas cowboy pajamas. I want  
a lego set. I am seven years  
old. I am in the second grade.  
Love,  
Kenneth

Dear Santa Claus,  
Merry Christmas. I want a  
real record player. I am eight  
years old. I love you. You are  
nice to me.  
Love,  
Charlotte Heck

Dear Santa Claus,  
I love you. I have been extra  
good this year. I want a Dallas  
cowboy suit and a truck and a  
pickup. I want a tractor and a  
plow.  
Love,  
Wade Drerup

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a truck and a play  
horse and a puzzl for My  
brother David and a shazam toy  
from the TGanY and a GAWS  
Game. That's all. Have a merry  
Christmas.  
Richerd Morales

Dear Santa,  
Mery Chrismas. I want a car  
set and a walkie talkie. I want a  
watch and two balls. And a  
Tanka pickup and a truck. and  
tractor. I love you. I am 7 years  
old. I am in the 2nd grad.  
Love,  
Chris Klemen

Dear Santu,  
Wade and me wants a race  
track and a kite and 2 walke  
talke. I wud like a flashlite.  
And Wade needs a big truck.  
We are good boys. Daddy  
wants noo boots. We love you.  
Cory and Wade Hoelting

Dear Santa,  
I want a hunting vest. I like  
you very much. I live in Naza-  
reth, Texas. My name is Phillip  
Edward Durbin. I have been  
very good this year. I am eight  
years old.  
Love,  
Phillip

Dear Santa Claus,  
I love you. Please bring me a  
Tonka Tanker and a G.I. Joe  
for Christmas. I have been  
extra good. I am seven years  
old.  
Love,  
Matthew Hatla



**Have a Ho-Ho  
whole lot of fun  
this Christmas,  
as you share the  
precious gifts  
of the holiday!**

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To Santa From Susie  
I which I had babby that a  
way a Jamie and Tusday talr  
and happ Brithday.  
Susie Flores

Dear Santa Claus,  
I like you. You are the nicest  
man in the world. I hope you  
have a Merry Christmas. I want  
a bike. My brother wants a race  
track. I try to be good but  
somtims it is hard. I am seven.  
I live in Nazareth, Texas. I  
hope you bring something good  
to the poor people. I am in the  
2nd grade.  
Love,  
Kenny Kern

Dear Santa Claus,  
Merry Christmas. I wish you  
a Merry Christmas. And a  
happy New Year. I want a  
Baby-Alive, I want some roller  
skates, I want a coat, I want a  
puzzle town, I want a new  
house, I want a bike.  
Love,  
Julie Fernandez



Dear Santa Claus,  
I like you. I want a rabbit  
hunt. I want a Big Wheel. I  
want a toy pickup. I want a toy  
truck. I want a bow and arrow.  
I want a cowboy set. I am 8  
years old.  
Love,  
David Seffens

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been extra good this  
year. I want a bike and a truck.  
Love,  
Leroy Schulte

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Kathy Jackson. I  
am eight and in the 2nd grade.  
I want Baby Baby. I want a doll  
for Christmas. I want a bicycle.  
Love,  
Kathy



Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Thunder-Shift 500. I  
want a Five Speed. I am 8  
years old. My name is Randy  
Joseph Hochstein. I live in  
Nazareth, Texas. I am in sec-  
ond grade. I like you.  
Love,  
Randy

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am 7 and fixing to be 8. I  
love you Santa Claus. I have  
been extra good this year. I live  
in Nazareth, Texas.  
Love,  
Sheila Ann Acker

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a star trak and  
watch. I can have a jeep and  
the waketake. Thank you.  
Jacinto Lopez



Dear Santa Claus,  
I wold like a bike and a  
watch. I am seven years old.  
You are very nice to me.  
Somtimes I believe in Rudlof,  
somtimes I don't. I live in  
Nazareth, Texas. I am in the  
second grade. I've been very  
good.  
Love,  
Shawn Wilhelm

Dear Santa Claus,  
Merry Christmas! I want a  
Raggedy Ann doll. I am 7 years  
old. I like you and you are  
great. My brothers want some  
guns. My sisters want some  
suits alike.  
Love,  
Delia Ann Bermea

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a Hush l'il baby,  
Kraft set and a game. Thank  
you.  
Camille Denise Summers



Dear Santa Claus,  
Merry Christmas to all! I  
hope you don't have trouble  
getting here. I am in the 2nd  
grade. I am 8 years old. My  
birthday is September 5th.  
Please bring our teachers and  
the poor people something.  
Please bring me a belt and  
watch. Please bring me a Lego  
set. I try to be good, but  
somtimes it's so hard. Re-  
member all my family.  
Love,  
Alan Birkenfeld

Dear Santa Claus,  
Merry Christmas. I want a  
pop gun, a hot wheels set, a  
belt and a watch. I want a hot  
rod and I want a sled. I am  
seven years old. I live in Naza-  
reth, Texas. Will you bring  
Rudoif? I want a tractor and I  
want a Walkie Talkie. I love  
you.  
Paul Bermea

Der Santa Close,  
I would like a bike for  
Christmas. Thank you.  
Sincerely,  
Donna Dominguez



Dear Santa Claus,  
I want The Little Folks Are  
Big Fun. I am eight years old. I  
do my chores, too. I live in  
Nazareth, Texas. I've been  
good. I cleaned 3 book shelves  
and my mother gave me a dol-  
lar.  
Love,  
Marlo Hartman

Dear Santa Claus,  
Happy Christmas! You are a  
very, very good person. I love  
you very, very much. You are  
good. I want a bike. I want a  
horse. I want a trailer. I am in  
the 2nd grade. I am seven  
years old.  
Love,  
Craig Huseman

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a Bike and a pay  
day and a doll and ball.  
Sincerely,  
JoAnn



Dear Santo Claus,  
I have been extra good. I am  
seven years old. I live in Naz-  
areth, Texas. For Christmas I  
want a Tuesday Taler doll and  
a trampoline. Have a Happy,  
Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Pam Ehly

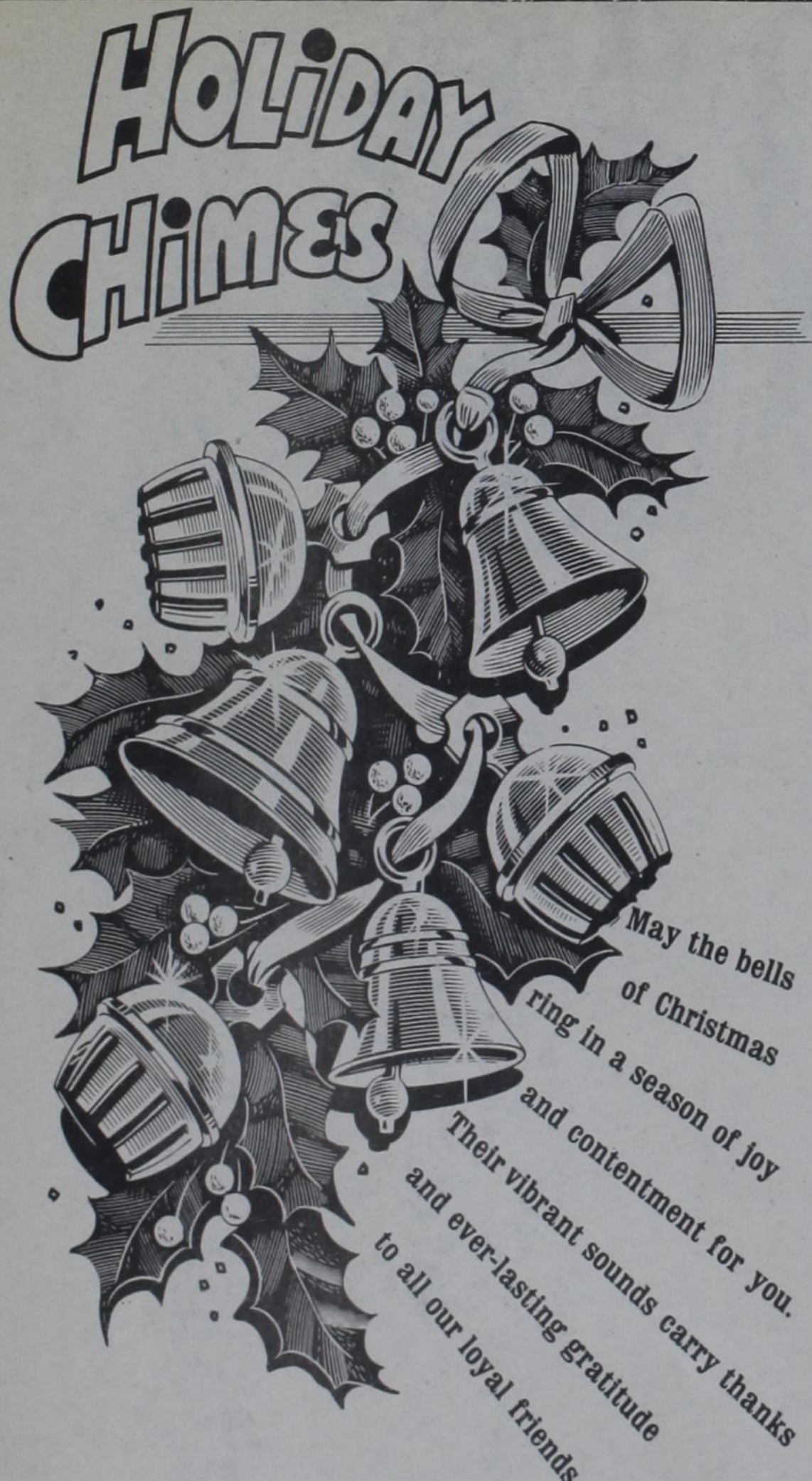
Dear Santa Claus,  
You are one of my favorites  
and so are you elfs. I am seven  
years old. I am in the 2nd  
grade. I want a speed bike with  
handbrake, a cowboy suit, a  
Dallas football suit, Fort Apa-  
che, Dallas football helmet,  
radio, Long Ranger and Silver.  
Love,  
Clinton

Dear Santa Clus,  
I hop you bring us sum toys.  
Love,  
John Ewing



We hope your Christmas glows  
with many happy hours spent  
with family and friends. Sincere  
thanks for your kind patronage.

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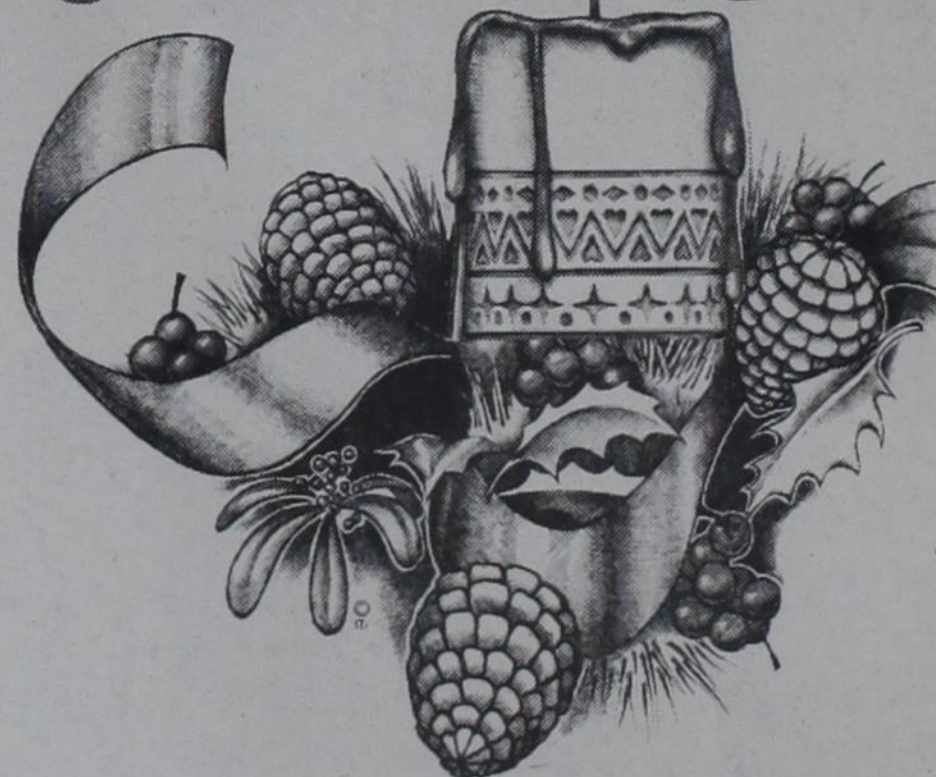


May the bells  
of Christmas  
ring in a season of joy  
and contentment for you.  
Their vibrant sounds carry thanks  
and ever-lasting gratitude  
to all our loyal friends.

## DIMMITT TV CABLE CO.

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## Joy at Christmas



Wishing you  
bright moments  
To enjoy while  
they're here,  
And sending  
warm thanks  
To our friends  
far and near.

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In Obervance Of Christmas

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Dimmitt, Texas  
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# Get a Bigger Sleigh, Santa Claus!



Dear Santa and Mrs. Claus,  
How are you doing? Here's what I want for Christmas. I want a Walkie-Talkie and a CB radio for my Dad. I want an Evil Knievel set. I like you for all the things you give and tell Rudolph I like him.

Your friend,  
Anton Polivada

Dear Santa,  
I want a Green Machine, a pumper, a baby alive, a bicycle, some perfume and lotion.

Love,  
Stephanie Paige

Dear Santa,  
I have been nice this year. Please bring me a Evel Knevil.

Love,  
Alexjandro Trigo

Dear Santa,  
I wood like a bike and a football and a airpumper with a bell with a stoking. I wish you a merry Christmas.

Love,  
Adam Lopez

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. Please bring me a bicycle.

Love,  
Ronaldo Sandoval

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll for Christmas. A Baby Tender Love. A bike, a ball, a Christmas boot with your face on it and a ring. I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Love,  
Dora Barrios

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. Please bring me Race Cars.

Love,  
Ross Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
I have been nice this year. Please bring me a toy.

Love,  
Sofia Salinas

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. I want a Jack in the box, Bicycle and a Baby Alive. I wish you Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Love,  
Domitila Lopez

Dear Santa,  
I have been nice this year. Please bring me a bicycle tire.

Love,  
Joseph Samford

Dear Santa Claus,  
I wish you a hapey mary crimas. Will you ples give me a woky toky and I wish you wood visit us.

Your frund,  
Gabriel Leon

Dear Santa Claus,  
Thank you for the thaings you gave me befor. May I have a drik and wet doll plese and a Micky Mouse sing-a-long. Have a Mary Mary Christmas Mrs. Santa Claus, Mr. Santa Claus.

You Frinde,  
Kayla

Dear Santa Claus,  
I love you Santa Claus, will you please gave me a bike for christmas.

Your friend,  
Irma

Dear Santa Claus,  
Thank you for last yeres toys. I want a bike and some clothes. and a Bee-bee gun.

Jay

Dear Santa Claus,  
I wont to have a monkey if is name Gep. Thin I wont a grat. I love you,

Laura Sadler

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. Please bring me an electric train.

Love,  
Prentiss Washington

Dear Santa,  
I have been nice this year. Please bring me a Police Chaase.

Jon Bruegel

Dear Santa,  
I been nice this year. Please bring me a Baby Alive.

Becky Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. Please bring me a Hush-little-baby.

Tami Field

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. Please bring me a doll.

Gloria Galvan

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. Please bring me a Punching Bag.

Randy Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. Please bring me a Punching Bag.

Love,  
Clifford Garcia

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. Please bring me a six million Dollar Man.

Robert Anes

Dear Santa,  
I want a pretty Christmas tree and Merry Christmas. Thank you for the gloves and billfold.

yourstruele,  
Donald Brent Price

Dear Santa,  
I have been nice this year. Please bring me a Police Car.

Curtis Coody

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. Please bring me a Skateboard.

Mondo Montavo

Dear Santa,  
I have been nice this year. Please bring me a doll.

Sylvia Garcia

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. Please bring me an Electric train.

Russell Cowen

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. Please bring me a bicycle tire.

Rojelio Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. Please bring me a bicycle.

Junior Vargas

Dear Santa,  
I have been nice this year. Please bring me a Teddy Bear.

Tony Gonzales Jr.

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. Please bring me a Barbie Doll and Roller Derby skates.

Denise Lynn Schulte

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. Please bring me a Baby Alive.

Bethie Miller

Dear Santa,  
I like you so much. I like you to bring me a Bionic Women and a Thumbulina tossacross and a Monopoly.

Yours Truly,  
Yvette Barrera

Dear Santa,  
I wish for a purse. I wish for you to go to my home on Christmas Day. I like you very mush. Merry Christmas to you Santa.

You're truly,  
Anglita Zorala

Dear Santa,  
I would like a easy-bake, some roller skates, and a play sewing machine. And a watch. And a Barbie. I like you so much. We wish you a Merry Christmas.

Yours truly,  
Anita Salinas

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. Please bring me a Walkie Talkie.

Truckston McKay



To faithful old friends,  
To cherished new friends,  
Our thanks and best wishes  
for a Merry,

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

**COWSERT ABSTRACT & TITLE CO.**

MRS. CLYDE VICK



**PEACEFUL CHRISTMAS**

May the best  
of everything fill your  
home this happy holiday.  
Thanks for your good will.

**DIMMITT ELECTRIC CO.**  
Clyde Vick



*May the merry music  
and sweet harmony  
of Christmas  
fill your hearts  
with joy and love.  
We chime in with a  
medley of thanks and  
appreciation for all our  
friends and neighbors.*

*Merry Christmas  
to All*

**JOE COWEN AGENCY**

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Trusting your Christmas will abound in the true riches of this meaningful season. Your rate high in our book... sincere thanks for your friendship and abiding confidence.



**Dimmitt Welding & Electric**  
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Mike Patterson J. D. Parker

## Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa, I like you very much. I like a baby doll and a baby that has a record player in it, and a coat that is warm.  
Maggie

Dear Santa, I would like you to bring me a Jaws game, Candy Land, Draw Poker, Dallas Cowboy shirt. Merry Christmas.  
Yours truly,  
Darla K. Young

Dear Santa, I would like a Ten Speed 24 inch bike and a Base Walkie Talkie, and a Spiderman, a Green Machine.  
Yours truly,  
Blake Brown  
P.S. Don't forget the other children.

Dear Santa, I would like a Lots o Dots and a earring holder and some earrings. A Holly Hobbie Heather Doll.  
Yours truly,  
Karen Nelson

Dear Santa, I would like a green machine and a baby-that-away and the Bionic woman and a Skateboard, a snow cone machine, some new pants.  
Love,  
Lynn Roland

Dear Santa, I like you very much. I would like you to bring me a easy-bake oven, a camera, a sewing machine, a baby alive, a bike, an ironing set, a baby thaway, some skates. Merry Christmas!  
Janie Ramirez

Dear Santa, I would like a Ballerina Barbie for Christmas. Santa, and some skates too. Santa bring me a game called the Bionic Woman game too. Thank you and have Merry Christmas.  
Tina Washington

Dear Santa, I want a baby doll and a bike. My adres is 606 w E. Say hi to Rudolph. Thank you.  
Martina

Dear Santa, I would like a hush little baby and a easy bake oven.  
Sincerely,  
Darla Rials

Dear Santa, I would like a green mashen, a bible pleas. Thank you. Love,  
Matt

Dear Santa, I like you very much. I would like you to bring me a easy bake oven, and a bike and a Ballerina, a Rudolph, and a set of dishes, and a record player.  
Your's truly,  
Yolanda Martinez

Dear Santa, I wish for a baby that a way and a Jaws Game and a Bionic Women that is all.  
Lupe Padilla

Dear Santa, How are you doing? How is Rudolph the Rednose Raindeer doing? And Santa I am a very nice little gril and for Christmas I want a Mickey Mouse watch and my address is 207 NW 11 St.  
Patsy Vera

Dear Santa, I would like a puppet that you make talk by your self and sits in your lap. And you pull a string. And the case. It's name is Boso.  
Sue Crozier

Dear Santa Claus, You no what I want for Christmas? I want a doll and a recardplayer. Thank you.  
Dolores

Dear Santa, I am Paul Birkenfeld. I am in the first grade. I want a B-B gun, a socker bopper and a nerf glider. Thank you, Santa.  
Paul Birkenfeld

Dear Santa Claus, I have been a good boy. Please bring me something good. I want a BB gun and spurs and a tractor front end loader, back hole, and a horse trailer with horses and cows.  
Your friend,  
Chuck Birkenfeld

Dear Santa, I want an Ants in the Pants game. I have been a good girl. I hope you have a merry Christmas. I hope you can bring Sister something for Christmas. I am in the first grade. Bring everyone in my family what they want most of all.  
Love,  
Theresa Verkamp

Dear Santa Claus, I want Jaw, and a Doctor Kit and a Nurse Kit. Please bring me a Wake Up Thumbelina. I want some binoculars and a book, and ants in the pants. It is a game. I love you.  
Bobbi Hochstein

Dear Santa, I am six years old. Would you please bring me a Rabbit Hunt, some Rookie Talkies, a cattle truck and some horses? Please bring my brothers something. Bring Mommy and Daddy what they want. I will try to be a good boy. Thank you.  
Marlon Backus

Dear Santa, I want a Wake Up Thumbelina and a record player and a movie projector. And a wheebles haunted house and a Barbie Beauty Center. Please remember my mommy and my dady and my puppy.  
Love,  
Michelle Ann Schulte

Dear Santa, I am so happy because it is Christmas and I want two Barbies and whatever you want to bring me. And I want a sack of candies and Santa I like you a lot and I like Rudolph and Santa don't forget to bring clothes for the Barbies.  
Your truly,  
Susan Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus, Please come to our house. I want a bow and arrow, and a dart game like the one we have in school. I like you. I like school. I am in the first grade.  
Love,  
Wesley Dobmeier

Dear Santa, How are you? I am fine. I am looking forward to seeing you and Rudolph and the other reudear at Christmas. I would like some weevils and a Chalkboard with a seat and a little piano and a putt-putt raceway. I will be looking for you on chrtmis.  
Love,  
Barbie Steffens

Dear Santa, I am 7. I am in the first grade. I want a bike and I want a gun and I want some boots. I love you.  
Brad Hoelting

Dear Santa, I want a pop-gun and a truck and a trailer for the truck. I am in the first grade. School is a good place to be.  
Love,  
Eddie Bermea

Dear Santa Claus, I am a good boy. I hope that Rudolph can lead your sled, and I also hope that you can deliver toys to all children of the world. I want a walkie-talkie, a Tonka truck and a Six Million Dollar Man. I hope you can bring me these things.  
Love,  
Wayne Wilhelm

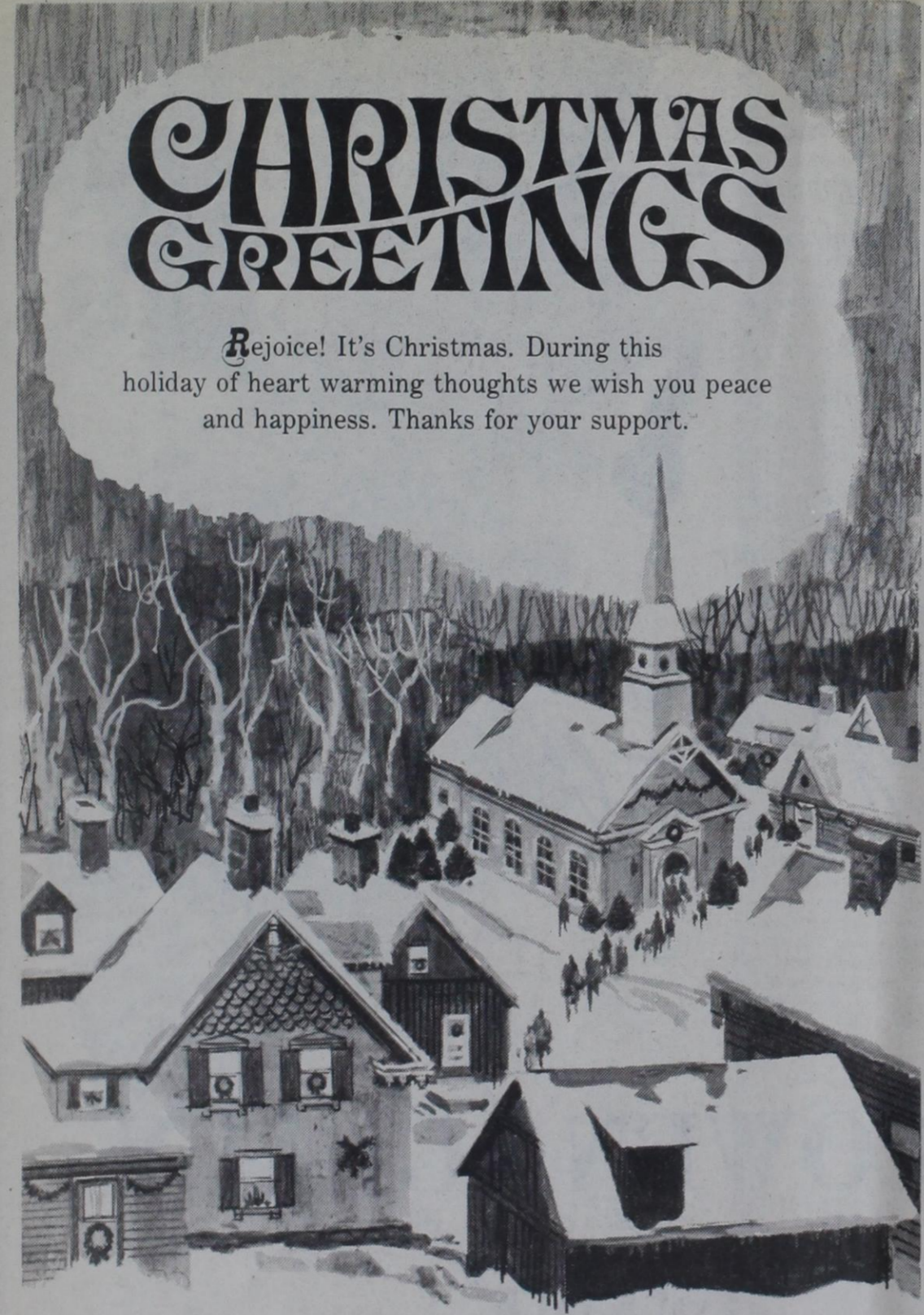
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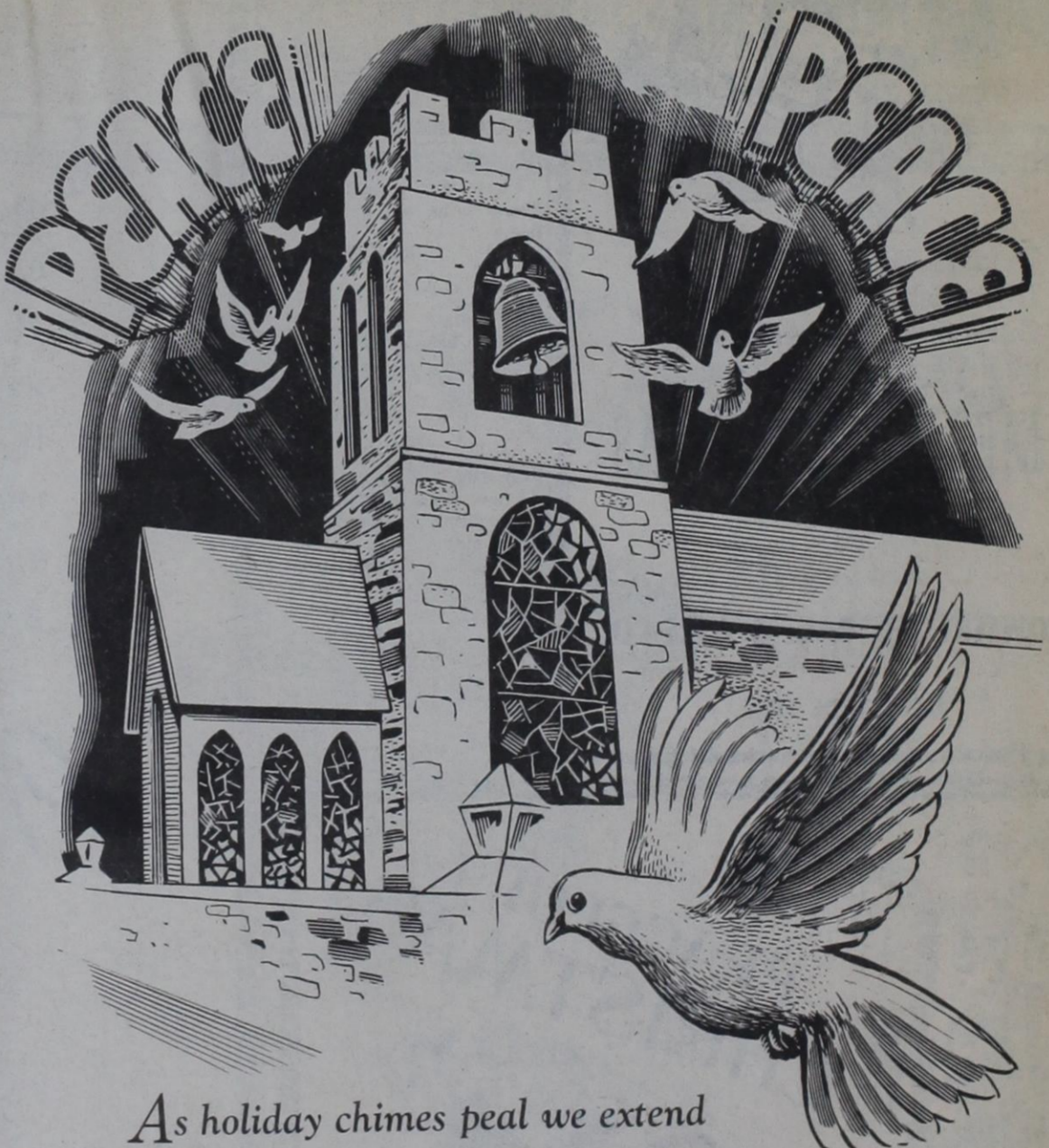
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# CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Rejoice! It's Christmas. During this holiday of heart warming thoughts we wish you peace and happiness. Thanks for your support.

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



Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a trampoline and a watch and a skateboard. I'll wish and I'll come Eve Christmas.

Love,  
Maria

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a minibike and pellet-gun and a skateboard and racing track. Im 10 yers and I wish you come to or room and I wish you bring my best tank I want.

Love,  
Manuel

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a baby that cries. And my little sister would like a baby that away. I am 7 years old. I want some candy. I love you.

Tammy

Dear Santa Claus,  
This Christmas I want a easy tracer and a operation game. I'm going to write for my little brother because he is just four years old and I think he wants a crane and a bull-dozer and I think a wrecker. Thank you.  
My name is Risha Ammons and I am 8.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a gogo car and a skate board and a train and a stretch armstrong and a bike and a Kodak of my father.

Love,  
Ronnie

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Baby thataway and a watch for Christmas. And Toby wants a skateboard and a basketball. I love you.

Sonccia

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a baby alive and a purse, a big doll that can mov all by her self and dish and some rings.

Thank you,  
Gloria

Dear Santa Claus,  
I hope you can bring me a baby thataway or a baby alive and my brother wants a evel-cunevel. My littel brother wants a big furry horsie. and my sister wants some clothes for school. and I also want to say this I hope you can get unuf time to eat the cookies and milk.

Love,  
Lidia Trigo

Dear Santa Clause,  
What I real want for Christmas is a tranpoline an a ring and a neckalace and a braselet and a mickey mouse watch. And I would like to thank you for coming to school to see us and thank you for giving us a sack of candy. I am in the third grade an I am nine years old.

Antonia

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am 9 years old. I am in 3rd grade. I won't be here for Christmas but mother and dady will give it to me. I want a baby that away and a washer and a trampoline. My name is Karen.

Love,  
Karen Myers

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a baby alive and a baby thataway. I want a tree house. And a baby thataway for my baby sister and a baby alive for my sister. I love you, Santa Claus.

Vicky Quiroga

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Indian, you want a truck for Christmas, I am a good boy. I like a truck.

Johnny W. I am 8

Dear Santa Canta,  
I want a bike for Christmas and a camera and a trampoline but for my brother a train and for me a doll name baby alive and a watch too and a skate too and my 2 sister a doll and saw.

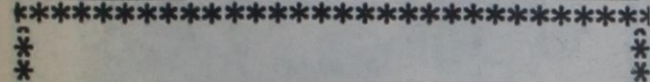
Victoria Flores

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? I have been a good boy. I would like a trampoline, a baby.

Andrea Guzman

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a book, and doll and a Tick Tok Toe.

Mecca Wilkerson



What better way to show our appreciation than to say "thank you" for your continuing loyalty and trust. May your Christmas be merry and bright.



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Dear Santa Claus,  
Thank you. I want a car, a bike and a radio.

Enrique

Dear Santa Claus,  
Bring me a big doll. And a toys.

Martha

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a big plane and I want a bike. I want a doll for my little sister and I want dishes for the toy. I want a truck and I want a trailer to go with it and I want a baby Doll four my baby. I am in second grad and I am 7.

Mark Ponder

Dear Santa Claus,  
Thank you Santa Claus for the toy. I want a truck and I want a trailer to go with it and I want a baby Doll four my baby. I am in second grad and I am 7.

Mark Ponder

Dear Santa.  
How have you bee? I have bee a good boy. I would like a racecar, a trampoline, nerf rockets.

Love,  
John McLain

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a b-b gun, a car garage, and a skate board. Thank you.

Wade Elliott

Dear Santa Claus?  
I want a baby Aive. And a baby That Away. And a bike. And my brother want a truck. I am 8.

Melinda Ramirez

Dear Santa Claus,  
Bring me a big doll and a toys.

Elida

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a little tractor. and a little Truck. My Baby wants a Boots.

Manuel

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a mini-bike. I have bin a good boy and I love Santa Claus. And I want a watch.

Paul Romirez

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a tick tack toe, and a doll, bike.

Tracy McLean

Dear Santa.  
How have you been? I have been boy. I would like a racecar, a trampoline, and a bicycle.

Daniel

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a Baby A'live. And a Holly Hobie doll. My sister would like a stuffed tass mainyn devil. I am 7 years old. My sister is 11 years old. I would also like a barbie house. Sence I put so many things I'll let you take a pick. That's all I would like. I love you Santa Claus. I live in Hart Texas.

Julie Davis

Dear Santa Claus,  
Good girl. I want a dishes and a bike and a doll. I want a play dough. I want candy. Thank you.

Love,  
Bessie

Dear Santa.  
How have you been? I have been a good girl. I would like some toys.

Nancy Oritez

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a bike and I have bin a good boy and I love you to and I want a watch and an airplane. And get my little sister a baby That away.

Love,  
Brett and I am 7.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want sum candy. And I love you Santa Claus. And I am a good boy. And you ar a good man. I am 7.

Hector Lopez

Dear Santa.  
How have you been? I have been a good boy. I would like an Evil Kanevil, a jeep, and horse with a cowboy.

Love,  
Steven Revna

Dear Santa Claus,  
Will you bring me a machine gun. Please will you. I am a good boy.

Chris Rodgers

Dear Santa Claus,  
Bring me a doll. Santa Claus he is nice. And bring me a little bed. Merry Christmas. Ho ho ho ho. I am 8 years.

Maria Corrales

Dear Santa.  
How have you been? I have been a good boy. I would like an Evil Kanevil, a jeep, and horse with a cowboy.

Love,  
Steven Revna

Dear Santa Claus,  
This Chistmas can you bring me a gun and a bike and a truck. I am a good boy.

Jesse Guerra

Dear Santa Claus,  
I ben a good boy. Can you bring me a gogo car and a watch and a dume. I love you Santa Claus. And bring my little brother a truck.

Your frind,  
Chris Rodriguez

Dear Santa.  
How have you been? I have been a good boy. I would like an Evil Kanevil, a jeep, and horse with a cowboy.

Love,  
Steven Revna

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a book Tick Tack Toe.

Kitzel

Dear Santa Claus,  
I love you. I want gum and stockings and a big truck. Happy Christmas to all and a good night. and for my baby I want a doll. I am 7. I am a good boy.

Joel Lopez

Dear Santa.  
How have you been? I have been a good boy. I would like an Evil Kanevil, a jeep, and horse with a cowboy.

Love,  
Steven Revna



**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS**

Make it your family policy to enjoy to the utmost . . . every moment of the holiday. We wish to extend to you our thanks.

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# Christmas Wishes



Let there be love at Christmas when all the world is warm and bright with dreams. In the hushed landscape of this glorious season, we send tidings of comfort and joy and continuing thanks to all!

**Merry Christmas**

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



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EASTER, TEXAS

# Children's Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas! For Christmas I would like a big tractor and truck and scooter. Robert wants a walkie-talkie, Dale wants a guitar. Anne wants a diary and guitar. Thank you.  
Yours Sincerely,  
Wayne Birkenfeld

Dear Santa,  
We want a happy Christmas. My mother wants it to be a snowy Christmas day, so do I. All my class likes Christmas and presents. I wish I had a BB gun. I want to be a star with the guitar. God bless you.  
Danny Bermea

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas. Please bring the poor something. Please bring my mother a stove, and my dad a something. I hope you will bring a trampolin. Please bring me a large van, trail blazer and a bike buggy. Please bring my brother a pellet gun with scope. Please bring my brothers and sisters something. Good bye!  
Kyle Schacher

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas. I like you. I want a race track. Please Santa I need candy. I want a bow belt. I love you. I want a motor for our air hockey. I want a tricat.  
Your Friend,  
Kevin Hoelting

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good girl Santa and I want a baby that a way and a Happy birthday Tender Love.  
Love,  
Lori Nino

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Tuesday talor, and a coat with a hood, and I would like a barbie car. And a ken.  
Love,  
Kerri Collins

Dear Santa,  
I want a Bionic Woman. And a Charm bracelet with a ring. A Hush Little Baby with cradle, boddle. A Baby Alive, Baby Tender Love. A Trampolene. I've been a good little girl. I am in 3rd grade. I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New year.  
Love,  
Mary Faulkner

Dear Santa,  
My name is Jill Elise Smith. I have been a good girl. And I would like a ring with a horse shoe on it and a doll. I wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.  
Love,  
Jill

Dear Santa,  
My name is Barney. I wish I had a bike and I will be happy.  
Love,  
Barney

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas. I hope we have a snowy Christmas. Don't get about the poor people. They need as much as we need. Every one likes Christmas. My brother and I want a walky-talky. And I want a watch radio.  
Your friend,  
John Klemm

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am 8 years old and I want a baby Alive and a skate board and a ball for My baby sister and two trucks for my 2 brothers if you cant buy them all thats okay.  
Anna Marie Perez

Dear Santa,  
Ernesto is a good boy this year and hop to get evel cnel.  
Ernesto Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
I would like a diay for Christmas. I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Ja Cameron

Dear Santa,  
My name is Lydia. I have been a good girl. I wish you could bring me a Baby Tender Love. A bike. A Jacks. And Baby Love. I wish you a Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Lydia

Dear Santa,  
My name is Leann Webb. For Christmas I want a Baby Alive, a swimming pool, a trampoline and a jewelry box. I'm going to be a good girl. Well, I have to go. bye-bye.  
Love,  
Leann

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? I hope you are feeling well. I think I want a Spin welder, flying Aces. I hope you have a Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Dirk Wright

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. I want a car, a bike and a bb gun. I wish you Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.  
Leonardo Vera

Dear Santa,  
My name is Irene. I want a Baby Tender Love, a bike, a stove, a Baby Alive, and a shirt with a girl on it. Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Irene Trevino

Dear Santa,  
My name is Enriquetta. I want a house and a doll because my mother has a Christmas tree and this is all.  
Love,  
Enriquetta Reyes

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. I want a bike, a doll, a baby alive. I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.  
Love,  
Rebecca Soto

Dear Santa,  
I want a B.B. gun and trampolene and a Bike. That's all.  
Love,  
Jessie Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
How have you been lately? I want you to bring me a little sewing machine, a Green Machine, a little Raggedy Ann in my stocking. Well that's all for now.  
Love,  
Stephanie Ryan  
P.O. Tell Mrs. Santa Claus hello for me please!

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll named Wake Up Tumblina, a Bike, a game, a pair of pants, a pair of shirts, a pair of shoes, a long pretty dress and a doll for my babby sister. I wish you a Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Diane Jimenez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy and I would like these things. A mouse trap game, a B.B. gun, richosey racer, Star Trek Phaser, communicacator and tricorder. 2 Star Trek walkie talkie communicacators. I hope you like the cookies and milk I am going to give to you. I want you to say hello to Mrs. Santa.  
Love,  
Mark Shackelford

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas. It is good to know Christmas is coming. Please give my brothers and sisters something. Don't forget my mother and father. Please bring something to the poor. Please don't go through a lot of trouble getting something for me. Please bring me a three speed bike with basket, a Timex watch, and Ballarina Barbie. Bring my grandmother something too. Bring the teachers something nice. I tried to be good. God Bless You/ Good Bye.  
Love,  
Gail Birkenfeld  
P.S. Please bring me a tennis racket. Thank you.

Dear Santa,  
I hope you have a Merry Christmas. Please bring my mother an ironing board and a flyswatter. Please bring me a paint set and a lilypad pack of seeds. Don't forget the poor people.  
Your Freind,  
Theresa Wilhelm

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want for Christmas a baby alive and a skate board and a boke and a Barbie. I have been good.  
Love, Irma

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a doll for Christmas and a book for read at home and I wish you can come and I want a raindeer and I want a dress.  
Gloria

Dear Santa,  
I sure hope you don't get snowed in on Christmas. Do you know what I want for Christmas. Well, I would like for you to bring me a radio, a billfold, and a watch. Please bring Ricky something. Please bring Lyndal and Hellie something. Don't forget my mother and father. If you bring Lyndal and Hellie something take it to their house.  
Merry Christmas,  
Gina Shelton

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want for Christmas a baby alive and a skate board and a boke and a Barbie. I have been good.  
Love, Irma

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a doll for Christmas and a book for read at home and I wish you can come and I want a raindeer and I want a dress.  
Gloria

Dear Santa,  
My name is John Wait Jr. I live at 22 n.w. 11th St. I don't want very much for Christmas. All I want is the Jaws game, the TV Magic cards, a new car and better new year to come. I hope you have a good New year. I have 1 brother and 2 sisters. We have all tried to be good this year.  
Thank you,  
John Wait Jr.

Dear Santa,  
I would like a play gun, a star trek gun, a six million man, S.W.A.T. team outfit, a train, a little projector, a Winnie-the-Pooh toy watch and new socks.  
Love,  
Charlie

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll an a book to look at.  
Isabel

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### Letters to Santa Claus

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Dear Santa Claus,  
 Merry Christmas. You look very nice in your suit. I hope you can get toys for everyone. Santa please get me a pump motorcycle for Christmas and two air planes that you can pull back and fly. I hope that isn't too much. And I am getting something from stamps. I hope you will have some left to give to the people that didn't get anything.  
 Love,  
 Billy Steffens

Dear Santa,  
 I wish you Merry Christmas. Don't forget to go to the poor people. Would you please bring my mother, father, and my sister something. Please would you bring Sister Adrian something. Please give something to all the Teachers. When you come, I hope there is a smile on your face. Would you bring the poor people food and clothes. I hope you have a very good ride. Would you please bring me a large baby cradle and two barbie dolls. And bring my Grandmas and my Grandpa something please. Please give me ants in the pants and mouse trap and a bionic woman.  
 Love,  
 Cecelia Kern

Dear Santa,  
 Merry Christmas. I would like a football and a Green Machine, a Race Track. Please don't forget the poor people. Don't forget my brothers and sisters and my mom and my dad.  
 Love,  
 Brian Ramaekers

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I hope you will come this Christmas. I want a washer and apruse and a braselet and a ring and a neckalace. I want a baby that away and some dishes and a watch. I love You Santa Claus very much. I am 9 years and I am a good girl. My mother love me and my Father love me.  
 Love, Maria Blanco

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I love you and I hope you will come over here to this school and bring presents to us. And will you bring some candy to. Merry Christmas to you.  
 Ruben

Dear Santa,  
 I would like an evil kniveel for Christmas.  
 Love,  
 Max Sifuentes

Dear Santa,  
 I would like a bionic woman and a Barbie Tonhouse, Barbie bathtub and I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas.  
 Amy Ray

Dear Santa,  
 I would like soccer ball and army men for Chrismas. I hope everyone has a merry Christmas.  
 Love,  
 Todd Durham

Dear Santa,  
 I would like a BB gun and bike for Christmas. I hope everyone has a mery Crismas.  
 Love,  
 Willie Lopez

Dear Santa,  
 I would like a tenspeed and a pellet gun for Christmas. I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas.  
 Enrique Ortega

Dear Santa,  
 I would like a watach and a lite brite. I hope you are doing good and I hope you have a merry Christmas. I will see you at Christmas.  
 Love,  
 Scott Morris

Dear Santa,  
 I would like a Baby That Away for Christmas. Please bring me a Baby That Away. I will leave you some milk and cookies.  
 Love,  
 Irma Ogas

Dear Santa,  
 I would like a bionic woman for Christmas. I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas. Love,  
 Tiffany Braafladt

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I bet you are very busy. Christmas is near. I bet your elfs are working real hard. I don't want much for Christmas, just a toy bos thats all. We are going to make you some cookies and some milk. How is Mrs. Santa Claus? I bet she is fine and I think she is pretty. I am sure you do too. My mother told me to take care of my toys last year and I dod. Well, thats all I have to say. Have a Merry Christmas.  
 Love,  
 Tommy Malone

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I want a clock for Christmas. That is all I want for Christmas. I will wait for you Santa Claus. And I will cut a piece of cake and something to drink. Have a hppy, Merry Christmas, Santa Claus.  
 Love,  
 Patty Constanica

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Would you please bring me a hot wheels race track, a race car carrying tire and a Maskatron. I hope I get to see your red-nosed reindeer. I'll leave you some milk and cookies.  
 Love you,  
 Ty Kellar

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I wish you a Merry Christmas. Please bring me a air rifle and a tractor and a planter. Please bring my brothers and sisters something. Don't forget Sister Immaculata. Bring her a present. Bring my mother a dishwasher. Bring my Father a new pickup and socket set. Don't forget the poor. Bring them something too.  
 Love,  
 Craig Wilhelm

**Merry Christmas**



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

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



Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been good. I want a five speed, I want Evil Kenevil, a Star Track.  
Love,  
Tony Ojeca

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a baby Alive, a bike, a stove, a rolling skate and that all. Thank you.  
Adela Silva

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas. Will you please bring the family a game named pay day. Please give me a Barbie doll and my sister a basketball, my mother a mixer and my father a set of tools.  
Love,  
DeZane Schacher

Dear Santa,  
Have a Merry Christmas. Santa would you bring the poor people some food and clothes. Bring my brothers and sisters something too and Most of all Bring my Mom an Dad something. Santa, would you bring me some boots, and a Steeler football suit, and a western belt with my name on it. Santa bring sister something too. I hope you can come.  
Love,  
Darryl Hoelting

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas, I hope you can make it to everbody. Could you please bring me a truck. Could you bring tranpoline for everybody in our family. Would you bring the poor something to. And could you bring mama and daddy something they like.  
Love,  
Bruce Huseman

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas. I hop you please bring my friends something. Please bring me a plastic horse that stands up, and a Stretcharmstrong, and a walkie talkie. Please bring my brothers and sister something too. Don't forget the poor.  
Love,  
Troy Huseman

Dear Santa Clause,  
I want a skate board and a camera and a Stretch Armstrong. My name is Mary Kaye. I am 9 years old. My friends are Kelly and Karen and Thelma. I thank you for every thing. I hope you come to our school.  
Love,  
Mary Kaye

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been good Santa Claus. I want a Hush little Baby and I want a Baby Thumbelina. I want a Baby Happy Birthday Tender Love.  
Love,  
Susie Flores

Dear Santa Claus,  
I wish i had a stretch arm strong for Christmas. Thank you.  
Raul

Dear Santa,  
I like you alot. I liked the things I got last Christmas. Will you please bring my family a Happy Days Game And a Tennis racket and lots of balls. Will you please bring my brother a cattle truck with lots of cattle. Will you please bring my brother a B.B. gun. I wanted one more thing could you please bring me a Timex watch. Could you please bring my mother a skillet, and Radio. And my daddy would like some gun cleaner please.  
God bless you,  
Kelly Schilling

Dear Santa,  
How are you? Have a Merry Christmas. Please bring my father and mother something. Please bring the poor people something. Please bring me a Stretch Armstrong, a case tractor with some plows, a Minnesota Vikings helmet radio. Please bring my brothers and sisters something. Please bring Sister something too. Please come to our house.  
Merry Christmas,  
Dale Albracht

Dear Santa Claus,  
Her I am writing you this few lines to tell you that I been a very good gril. Oh Santa Claus you are so nice. I want a trampoline and a baby alive an a watch. I am nine yaer old and a skateboard and I think that's all.  
Love,  
Dolores

Dear Santa,  
I would like a for baby alive Christmas. I hoopo everyone has a Marry Christmas.  
Love,  
Malissa

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Big Wheel and a Evil Kenevil and I Want A B-B gun and a Walkie Talkie and, Go cart and a Tenspeed and I think that is all. I've been good this yerr.  
Love,  
Gregory Bob Malone

Dear Santa,  
I have been trying to be a good boy. For Christmas I want a bull-dozer please. Also I would like a Tonka Snorkel Pumper. Please bring our family a wagon.  
Your friend,  
Gregg Gerber

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have ben good. I want a ten and a go coot and a Evil Kenevil and a six meil bolrman.  
Love,  
Nicholas Sher

Dear Santa,  
I like you very much. Please bring me a Tonka Truck, Walkie Talkie, Lincoln Logs, Bull Dozer, Tractor Trailer Tonka Loader. Don't forget my family.  
Love,  
Benny Schacher

Dear Santa,  
Wish you a Merry Christmas. Please bring me a dress. We love you with all your heart. My brother needs some shoes. We want a trampoline. Don't forget the poor and bring them good clothes. I want a Baby that a way and my sister wants baby alive. My brother wants a radio.  
Love,  
Mary Lou Bermea

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want bike skate. I want my doll.  
Love,  
Yolanda

Dear Santa Claus,  
How have you ben. I want a bike and a train and I want a pellet gun. I want a bibe gun and a skate board and a barn and a bird.  
Love,  
Lupe

Dear Santa,  
Bernadette is a good girl this year and hop to get Baby-O-Way.  
Bernadette Gonzales

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Tanka forklift. Thank you for last yeres preznt.  
Trampas Moke

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a play c.b. and a baby that away and a bike and pleas bring the other children some toys to. How is frosty doing? please write back to me.  
Your frind,  
Iris Jones

## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

The ornaments of a house are the friends that frequent it. To you, dear friends, we say thanks for gracing "our house" with your presence.

**ED HARRIS LUMBER CO.**  
HART, TEXAS

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you doing. I am doing fine. I am very good this year. I am in the third grade. I hope you come and see us and the poor. I would like to have some real cologne and a tennis racket, and a ballarina barbie doll, and a watch band. And the family wants a Jaws game. I hope you make it.  
Merry Christmas,  
Ramona Heiman

Dear Santa Claus,  
I whant a Tanka forklift. Thank you for last yeres preznt.  
Trampas Moke

Dear Santa,  
Bernadette is a good girl this year and hop to get Baby-O-Way.  
Bernadette Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
I wish you a Merry Christmas. When you come you bring me a smile. I'm in the third grade. I've been talking a lot too. I want to thank you for the things you gave me last year. I hope you don't forget the poor people and the soldiers that are still fighting. I want you to bring something speical for my mother and father. Bring my brothers and sister something too. I would like a Bellera Barbie, a watch, and a jewelry box. Bring my teacher something too.  
I love you,  
Annette Marie Schmucker

Glad Christmas Tidings

For you and your dear ones, we wish a holiday filled with the warmth and wonder of Christmas. It has been a pleasure to serve you.

**Cobb's**

## Happy Holidays

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

**Tidwell Spraying Service**

Dear Santa Claus,  
I like the toy you give all my frinds and my gril frinds.  
Love,  
Joel

Dear Santa Claus,  
Will you please sepris me. How is the rain ders? I am ok. Are you going to have a happy Christmas. I hope I do. Don't you. I love you Santa.  
Love,  
Gay

# PEACE JOY

A wish for all mankind... may the light of His love shine for you all through the Yuletide. In this reverent spirit, we extend thanks to our warm, wonderful friends.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I hope you are doing fine and just for my sake will you please say happy greetings to Mrs. Claus and will you please give me a ten speed bike for Christmas and a trapulene.  
Love,  
Anessa Scott

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Happy Birthday Tenderlove and a Bionic woman and a lama clock. I thank you for what you brought me last year. I have been bad some but I didn't mean it. I hope you have a good Christmas. Please bring the other children some toys to.  
Love,  
Charlynn Hunter

**Big T Pump Co.**

Dear Santa Claus,  
I like the gift you gave me lat time. Will you pleas gave me the six meln bol man and I wish you will have a Merry Christmas.  
Richard Flores

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please send my father a suit. I want a car, make that two.  
Love,  
Arnold Peralez

Dear Santa Claus,  
I wish you will give me a game about a football game and Dimmitt Bobcat jacket and frend Richrd some new toys.  
Jerry



# Santa Calus, Please Bring Me A Green Machine!



Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a very good boy. Please bring me a tool box and tools. Also a brite-lite, a CB radio, and a set of magnetic letters. Please be good to the other boys and girls and mommy and daddy. I love you, Santa.  
Wayne Schacher  
P.W. Thank you for the toys you gave me at the Amstar party.

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I want a set walkie talkies. You will see my home, Santa. I want Evel Knievel stunt cycle. I want a 10 speed bike.  
Love,  
Earnest White

Dear Santa Claus,  
I was a very nice girl this year and I wish I had Hush Lil Baby and the game that is jaw.  
Diana

Dear Santa,  
I want a TG&Y truck for Christmas. I have been a nice boy this year.  
Love,  
Troy Hickman

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. I would like a walkie talkie, a felt hat, race car set, and spurs. There will be cookies and a Coke on the table. Thank you.  
Garry Leatherwood

Dear Santa,  
I hope you have a Merry Christmas. I hope you don't get snowed in. Give something to the poor. Bring something for my little sister and my brothers. Give my Grandpa and Grandma something they really want. Please if you can bring me "Pizza Hut Electric Oven".  
Merry Christmas,  
Elaine Verkamp

Dear Santa Claus,  
I went to see you when you were at Anthony's. When I was telling you what I wanted for Christmas I could not think of all the things I wanted so heres my list. Baby alive, Wake up Thumbelina, Baby that a way, Mr. Mouth, watch, necklece, barbie hair styler.  
Sharon Sanders

Dear Santa,  
Plese bring me a watch for Christmas. I will leave you some milk and cookies.  
Love,  
Mary Constancio

Dear Santa,  
I would like a fun magic and Quick Curl Baby Tender Love.  
Thank you Santy.  
Love,  
Katrina Keating

Dear Santa,  
I would like a piano and a bike for Christmas. I hop everyone has a Merry Christmas.  
Becky Juarez

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good boy. I would like to have some guns and a car. Bring my brother som guns and my baby sister a doll.  
Scott Acker

Dear Santa Cluse,  
I want for Christmas a doll. I hope you can bring me one.  
Merry Christmas.  
Susie Hinojosa

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am glad to see you. Would you come to my home? I am good. I am trying to be good. I saw you in Amarillo and a baby was in your lap. It was cute and you are to.  
Love,  
Chris

Dear Santa,  
I am seven year old and my mother is writing this for me so you can read it. I would like to have a green machine, football, a dump truck, a watch for Christmas. I have been a pretty good boy this year. So Santa you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.  
Travis West

Dear Santa,  
Here I am writing you this few lines just to tell you what I want for XMAS. I would like a Walkie Talkie and Hoo Hoo Train.  
Love,  
Adrian Guerra

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want two big pretty dolls and a dog radio, housshoe boots and snowcone maker. Thanks. I wish you a Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Lori

Dear Santa Claus,  
Thank you for last yers prest. This yers I want a green machine and Spock.  
Darrell

Dear Santa Claus,  
May I have a be be gun please? Thank you.  
Keith Teesas

Dear Santa Claus,  
I like you Santa. I want a Happy Birthday doll. Thank you for the things you did Santa. I am going to be Good.  
Joyce McDaniel

Dear Santa,  
I would like a guitar for Christmas. I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas. I would like a lite brit and a Babby Babby. I love you.  
Melody Sadler

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS**

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

**IVEY INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE**  
Gene & Connie Ivey

Dear Santa,  
This is just to let you know I have been a good boy all year and this is what I want for Christmas. I would like a big red wagon, a six million dollar man, snoopy radio, a billfold, and a C.B. toy radio. Thank you.  
Joe Porter

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am writing these lines to say that I would like to have a walking doll, dishes and a barbie, a old fashion barbi I mean, and this is my address 202 N.W. 11st. And don't forget to stop by.  
Love,  
Janie Martinez

Dear Santa,  
I would lik a strech Armstrong for Christmas. I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
George

Dear Santa,  
I would like a St. Louis football suit and a protective helmet. I will leave you something to eat on your trip around the world. I hope your eivs and you and your raindear a merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Frank Cluck

Dear Santa,  
I would like a box of hot weels and a pack of airplans and most of I hope evryone has a Merry Christmas oh and Santa Ill leav you some coockies.  
Love,  
Shannon Powers

**PEACE**

It is the season to kindle the fires of love and brotherhood in our hearts and to greet one another in peace!

Our deep gratitude to all.

**WESTERN AG SALES**  
Bob Crozier  
Floyd Dickey  
Distributors for Gifford-Hill & Co.

**SEASON'S GREETINGS**

One of the many joys of this dazzling holiday is the opportunity to say thanks to many friends.

**NOEL**

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

*Joy and Peace be yours throughout the New Year. We're grateful for our wonderful relationship and the new chance for it to continue.*

**Parsons Rexall Drug**

Dear Santa,  
Please can you bring my a BB gun and a guitar and a monopoly gam. And I hope you a Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Angel Teneiente

Dear Santa,  
I would like a boll for Christmas. I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas.  
Elizabeth Coronado Ramos

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like some handle bars for my bike, a hair dryer, some clothes and socks. Thank you.  
Tana Guinn

Dear Santa,  
I want a Pellet gun and a racking track and I ave ben nice and my big brother has ben nice and he wans a pellet gun. I love you. My name is Pete.

Deer Santa Claus,  
I want a mini bike and a train and a bike and a caot and a kite.  
Love,  
Lolo

Dear Santa Claus,  
I will have a truck, I will have a motor, I will have a camer, I will have a skate, I will have a watch.  
Vicky

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a skateboard and a toy and a pellet gun and a train. I am 3th grad. And don't forget my brother. I am 9.  
Love,  
Steven

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a minie bike, and a pellet gun and a camera and a racing track. I love Santa Claus.  
Arturo

Dear Santa,  
How have you been. I have been a good girl. I would like a highchair, a baby and carriage.  
Love,  
Maria Henning

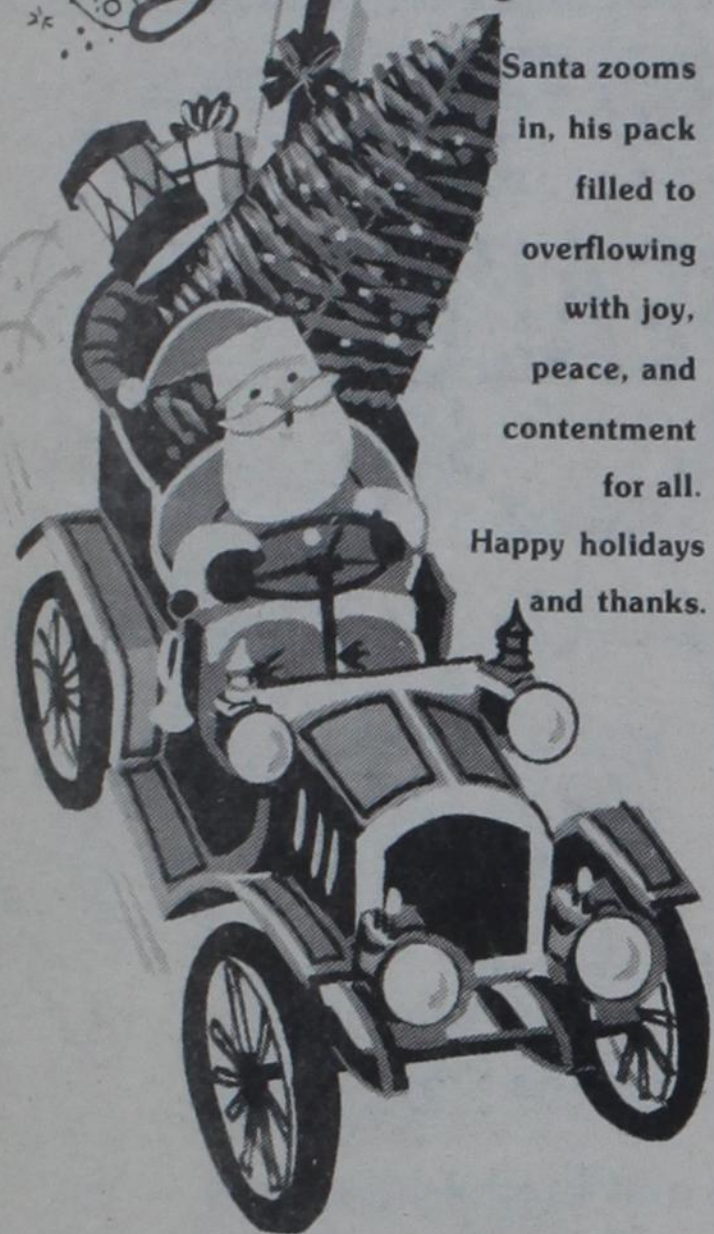
**HO HO!**  
*it's Christmas*

May the night before Christmas And all the year through Be happy and bright And enchanted for you!

Warm wishes and thanks to you and your dear ones.

**DIMMITT SAFETY LANE & TIRE SERVICE**

# Holiday Greetings



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

## DIMMITT

## EQUIPMENT CO.

### Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,  
I want a talking doll. I want a dress for the doll. I want some dishes and bingo. Bring something for Julie and Janet too. I love you.  
Joann Fernandez

Dear Santa Claus,  
I like you. Come to see us. I want a skate board and a bat and a happy dart game with self sticking balls, and a race track. Bring Wade a Mickey Mouse. Bring Mommy and Daddy a popcorn popper.  
Love,  
Cory Hoelting

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Mickey Mouse Clubhouse, and a Hush Lil Baby, and a Wake Up Thumbelina and a Six Million Dollar Man and a Bionic Woman and a Marching Mickey Mouse, and a McDonald Playland and a chatter play camera. Also bring my little sister and my big brother something.  
Love,  
Stacy Albracht

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you? I want a Dallas Cowboy suit. And I want a Nerf football, and a Happy Days game. And bring something for my baby sister. I am in the first grade.  
Love,  
Chris Schmucker

Dear Santa,  
Could you please bring me a cry baby doll? I have been a good little girl. And please make my grandmother come to see me. I am in the first grade.  
Love,  
Angie Bermea

Dear Santa,  
I have been pretty good this year. I am in the first grade. I like school. Come to see us. Won't you please bring me a Barbie doll set? And a set of dishes and a jewelry set. Please bring my three brothers something, too.  
Love,  
Renee Huseman

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you doing? I am doing fine. I can read and spell and write and do arithmetic. I like the first grade. I want a rampoline for the family and a mouse trap game. I want a View Master.  
Love,  
Rachel Huseman

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a race car set and a football suit and a tire air pump. Most of all I want a little baby sister. Bring all my family what they really want.  
Love,  
Troy Johnson

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a little pistol. And a little cowboy set and a record player. Bring something good to all my brothers and sisters and to Mother and Father. I love you.  
Curtis Durbin

Dear Santa,  
I want a Baby Thubalena doll and a Big Wheel. Bring something good to my two little sisters and to Mommie and Daddy.  
Love,  
Melissa Brockman

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am 9 years old. I want a bike and a doll an play dishes an a littel bike for my little brother and a baby alive.  
Gloria Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
I want a star treek gun and a walky talky. I hop you well get me a geetare to and a plane that takes oil and batereys. I hope you will get me a recker player for Christmas and a truck that you could push it and it will go by its self just one little push. I hope you will get my father a caculaterre for Christmas and I hop you will get my mom a new blue wach for Christmas. I hope you will give me a big stof bear and a new nopbook and a thing that carries paper that you could put telephone numbers and a army men that has a jeep and a tank. And I hope you will get me some stickers.  
Your friend,  
Chris

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want some toys. I want a Easy Bake Oven and some telephones that have batteries. And A doll. Thats what I want Santa. And something else. A table with chairs. And thats what I want. I want a big piano for me and a music book and a teatherball and a bollyball. And a hulla hupe and a record player. I love you Santa.  
Thelma

Dear Santa,  
I am seven year old. I am a boy and I want a B-B-gun.  
Your friend,  
Joe Isaguirre

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a B-B-gun. Please bring me a Green Machine.  
Your friend,  
Matt Hooper

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a baby a live. And a Hush little baby and a modelcar for my brother. And a little bike for me. And anything for my Mother and Father. And anything for my sisters. I am in the second grade. I have bene nice.  
Your friend,  
Linda Ramirez

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a baby a live. And a Hush little baby. And a modelcar for my brother. I am in the second grade.  
Your friend,  
Riva Cole

Dear Santa,  
I would like a truck and a race cars and some combines and a PoP gun and a biuk and a swing and a stuff bear. And a motorbike. I love you Santa. And a boat.  
Your friend,  
Sammy Dale Ponder

Dear Santa,  
I am a eight year old boy. Please bring me a bank and a slinky and other toys. I've tried to be good and so have my brothers and sisters so bring them some toys to.  
Your friend,  
Martin Castillo

Dear Santa,  
I want a Bionic women and a hush little Baby. a Easy Bake oven and a Dorm house. I've tried to help my mother. The Dorm house is for my Bionic women. I geuss thats all. my age is 8.  
Your friend,  
Shelly Heck

Dear Santa Claus,  
Bring me a big doll. And a toys and a little bed. Merry Christmas.  
Gabriela

Dear Santa Claus,  
I love you. Santa Claus i am a good boy. Will you buy me a set of cowboys. Will you buy my little baby brother some toys. Will you buy my Mother some perfume.  
Love,  
Israel

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a good boy. I work with my Father and he work to. And I like you. I want a gun and a bike. And you have Merry Christmas. I am Danny and i am 8. The end.

Dear Santa Clouse,  
I want a pink bicke and a baby Thataway and a tree house and a tramplain and a wake up Thumbalena.  
Gina 7 years

Dear Santa Cluase,  
I want a geetare and a drum for Christmas and a walky talky. And a recker player and a tape recorder and a big will and a piano. My Dad wants a sports car. My mom wants a larm clock. And I want a watch. My sister wants a doll stroller. My cuisen want a desk at her house and I want a star treek set and a fire truck and a bulldoser and a crane. And I want a big stuff bear.  
from Billy

Dear Santa Claus,  
I hope you bring me scote bord for me and a bebe gun for me to. Im in school right now because I have a bunch of work.  
Love,  
Jorge

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Ten speed bike and a Green Machine, Putter Putting game with Hazards.  
Thank you,  
Richey

Dear Santa Claus,  
This is what I want for Christmas. I want a Sunshine Family. Thank you.  
Love,  
Julie Hatla

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like the Electric football game, Super Toe game and A suffed buffala. Thank you.  
Sincerely,  
Todd Braafladt

## GREETINGS

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

### THE NORTH GIN

BILL BIRDWELL, Manager



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

## ANN'S STEAK HOUSE



## Higginbotham-Bartlett Co.

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



Dear Santa Claus,  
I hope I haven't been to bad this year. But if I haven't I would like a miny bike, if you have all the parts, and a black leather jacket, and I am working with my grandad Bob so I'll need some rubber boots. Well I guess thats all.

Love,  
Beau

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a horsie. I have been a good boy. I love you.

David Maxwell

Dear santa claus,  
I would like a sewingma-  
chine. Thank you. Sincerely,  
Rebecca Ruth Gregory

Dear Santa Claus,  
I hope havent miss you. I hope you come to my houses and we can help you too and pay for a present for you and you can bring are present too and you can help us too and you can love me.

Love,  
Abel

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a star trek Belt. I gust want one thing so you can have enough present for all the boys and girls. Well if you got an extra gift bring me a geep. And Santa please bring my mother a new stove for Xmas if it not to havey to carry. I love you Santa.

Jacinto R. Lopez

Dear Santa,  
I want these for Christmas. I want a Putting Game with Hazards very much, adjustable length putter very much too, A Super Toe, A Big Shot Arcade, Chest of Magis, and thats all.

Love,  
Richey Behrends

Dear Santa Claus,  
I was so happy of seeing you at the TG&Y and you are very nice Santa Claus. I love you. Thank you for the candy. I like it very much. I'm writing you this letter to tell you not to forget what I ask you to bring me. Just 2 thing, a bike and a Guitar on Christmas Eve. Don't forget to come to my house. I'll live a glass of milk and cookies on the table for you. Santa, I'll see you again at the TG&Y next year.

Love you,  
Roy R. Lopez  
I am 5 years old

Dear Santa,  
You will come soon. I want a Baby Thumbalena and a Movie Projector and a record player. I like school. I like to read. I love you.

Linda Finley

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a tall doll and a Baby Baby. And I want Jaws and paper dolls. I want a candle for my mother and a suit for my daddy.

Love,  
Marlissa Jackson

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like some doll clothes and a watch. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Melody

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a doll that cries nana and a bik. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Leandre Lynn

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want gluvns and shoes and a bicky and a ball and a coat. I love you very much if you well bring us the things that we want and the things that we need if we need shoes or coats or balls to play with. And I want a doll, two dolls, I think thes is all and I hope that you rememer to bring us the thing.

Anita Gonzalez

Dear Santa,  
Would you please bring Denise some Roller Derby skates and a Barbie Doll? Kara would like to have a baby doll and a puppet. Would you please bring Royce a holster set and a road grader? Our baby sister Nadine would like to have a baby doll. We would all like to have a record player. We are trying to be good. Please remember the other boys and girls.

Love,  
Denise, Kara Royce and  
Nadine Schulte

Dear Santa,  
I like you. I am good. The presents that you bring to me, I like very much. I want a poster for my room, and a magic kit so I can learn magic. I am six years old. I will leave you a snock on Christmas.

KITZEL Hoover

Dear Santa,  
I am 7 years old. I am in the first grade and I have been a good boy this year. Please bring me a Trouble Patrol, a Fire Turck with men that sit in it, a Fire Chief's car, a Steve Austin, an Evel Knievel dragster, and a Steve Austin game. Don't forget my friends and cousins.

Love,  
Mike Maples.

P.S. I will have some milk and cookies for you.

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a doll call Baby that a way and a play type writer and my Friend Mary Ortiz wants one to, please bring her a Baby that a way. That all I want Santa Claus. I leve at 212 NE 7th St. I am 7 years old. I love you Santa Claus.

Lupe R. Lopez

Dear Santa,  
Genaro is a good boy this year and hop to get a tricycle.

Genaro Gonzales

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a stretch armstrong and a telescope and a tape recorder and we will leave you a piece of peanut brittle. Thank you.

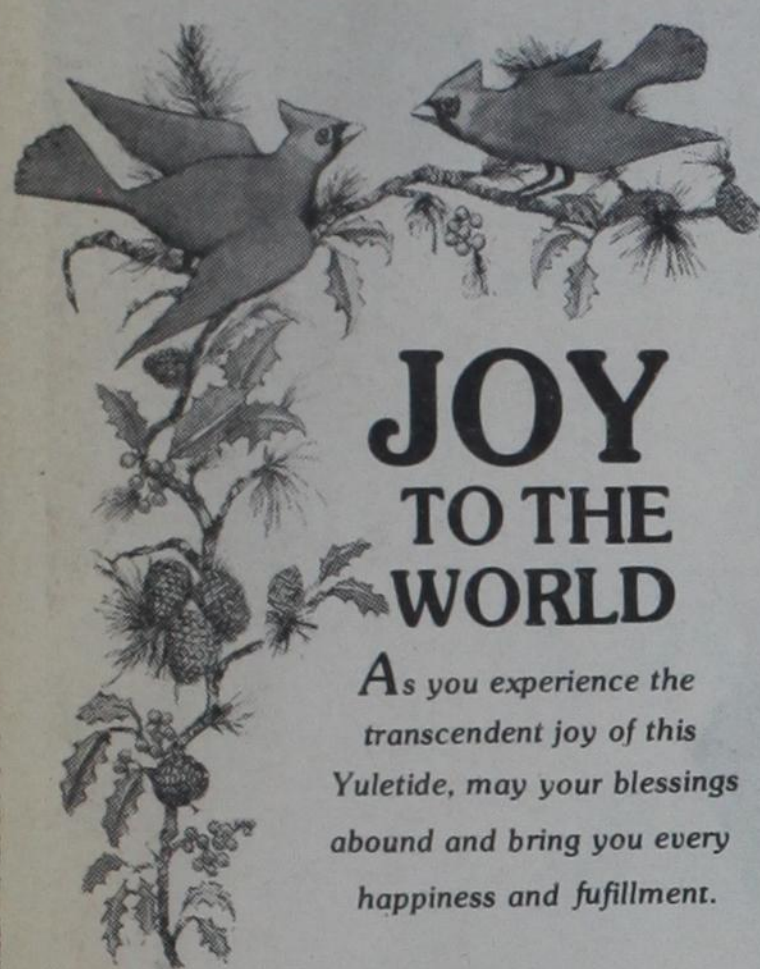
Sincerely,  
Brian Handley

Dear Santa,  
I want a Dallas Cowboy suit. I want a gun and a little farm. I am in the first grade. I like to read. I like you.

Heath Schulte

Dear Santa Clause,  
I have been a pretty good girl this year. I would like for you to bring me a big walking doll, a marching mickey mouse, hush little baby with her bottle, a musical jewelry box with some jewelry to go with it. Also I would like to have a sit 'n spin. Oh, I'm 3 yrs. old and I have a baby sister who is 5 mos. old. Her name is Kelley. Please bring her some baby toys. I have a friend, Lena, who stays with me, please bring her a hush little baby too. She wants a walking doll like me. We both would like a stuffed-up-snake. One more thing—we would like to have Big Bird. I'll have a snack for you.

Love,  
Robyne Boyd



## JOY TO THE WORLD

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

FEDERAL LAND BANK ASSOCIATION

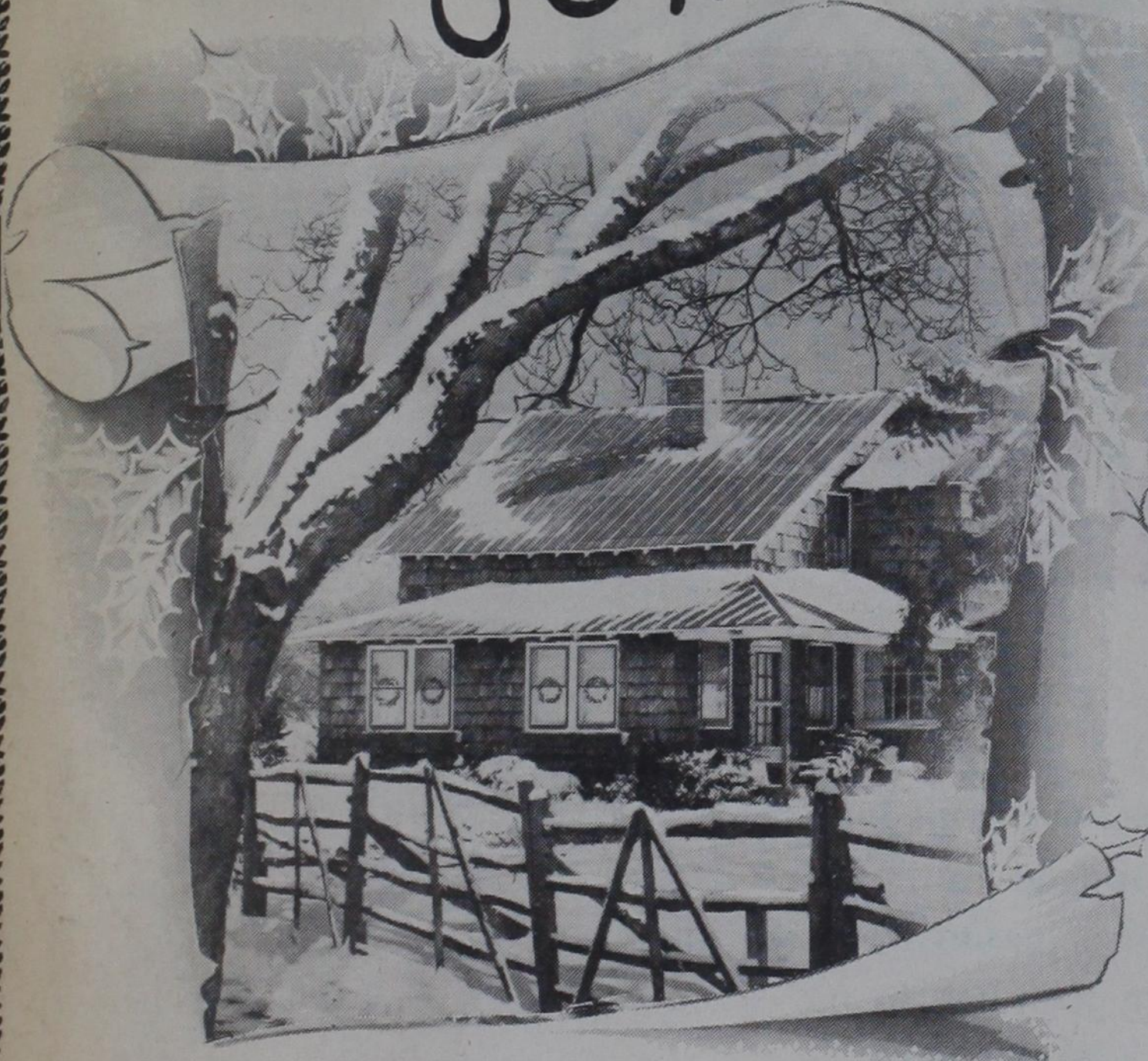
## JOYOUS Greetings

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



214 N. Broadway  
DIMMITT UPHOLSTERY & GARAGE

# Merry Christmas



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

Sincere thanks.

## FIVE POINT GIN

CLARK DOBBS, Manager



# Greetings

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

# Goodpasture, Inc.

# Christmas Greetings



May love and happiness decorate your holiday and everyone around your tree share the special joy that only Christmas brings! At this festive season we reach out to greet the friends who mean so much to us all year through. Thanks for being part of our lives.

Merry, Merry Christmas!

## FIRST STATE BANK

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YOUR FULL SERVICE BANK



'LET US GO SEE THIS WONDROUS CHILD'  
... Shepherds in Nazareth Christmas Pageant

# Christmas Greetings From Nazareth

From the community that was named for Christ's home town, our greetings go out to you this Christmas.

It was from Nazareth that Joseph and Mary traveled to Bethlehem, where the divine miracle occurred. It was in Nazareth that the Son of God was raised to manhood. And it was from Nazareth that Christ went out later to give new hope to mankind. So this season is especially meaningful to us.

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

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

Mr. & Mrs. Charlie Hill & Family  
 Leonard Gerber Family  
 Joe Drerup Family  
 Herman Birkenfeld Family  
 Mr. & Mrs. Kenny Schulte & Family  
 Danny Schilling  
 Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Albracht & Family  
 Mrs. Philip Acker  
 Mr. & Mrs. Leo Durbin & Family  
 C. B. Wilhelm  
 Nazareth American Legion & Auxiliary  
 Thelma, Geri & Delphine Wethington  
 The Sonny Hochstein Family  
 Helen & Sue Burt  
 Alphonsa Huseman  
 Mr. & Mrs. Joe Dee Johnson & Family  
 Blanche Birkenfeld  
 Mr. & Mrs. LeRoy Pohlmeier & Girls  
 Mr. & Mrs. Tony Gerber  
 Mr. & Mrs. Philip Pohlmeier & Children  
 Mr. & Mrs. Walter Schilling & Family  
 The John Womack Family  
 The Elmer Schulte Family  
 The Clarence Wilhelms  
 Mr. & Mrs. Francis Wilhelm & Family  
 Mr. & Mrs. David Schulte & Michelle  
 Mr. & Mrs. John Schacher & Family  
 The Jimmy Balls  
 Mr. & Mrs. Albert Schulte  
 Mr. & Mrs. Jerome Birkenfeld & Family  
 Sybil Steffens  
 Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Birkenfeld  
 The Gene Kern Family  
 Lillian, Al & Tommy Cameron  
 Mrs. Rose Warren  
 Joe Johnson Family  
 Mrs. John C. Stork  
 Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Annen & Claude  
 Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Schmucker  
 Mr. & Mrs. A. P. Hoelting

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 Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Gerber & Family  
 Ray Schmucker Family  
 The Robert Verkamp Family  
 Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Huseman  
 Mr. & Mrs. Sam Albracht & Family  
 Mr. & Mrs. Joe Schmucker & Janet  
 The Alfred Schachers  
 Helen Backus  
 Rose Hadman  
 Marie C. Hanson  
 Mr. & Mrs. Hubert Backus & Boys  
 The Randy Schillings  
 Agnes Brockman  
 Mrs. Frank Hoelting & Leonard Iva Ferguson  
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 Mr. & Mrs. Alphonse Kleman & Family  
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 Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Wilhelm  
 The Dean Wilhelm Family  
 Floyd Schulte Family  
 The Ernie Brockman Family  
 Mr. & Mrs. Cecil Hoelting & Family  
 Julius Birkenfeld  
 Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Huseman & Family  
 Mr. & Mrs. Greg Hoelting  
 The Al M. Huseman Family  
 Jerome Brockman Family  
 Christine Braddock  
 Arnold Huseman Family  
 Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Schulte  
 Mr. & Mrs. Florance Albracht  
 Louie Schacher & Girls  
 Mr. & Mrs. F. P. Schacher  
 Mr. & Mrs. David Acker  
 Mr. & Mrs. Ronnie Hoelting & Family  
 Doris Hatla Family  
 Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Schulte  
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 Frank Drerup

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 Mr. & Mrs. Al Schoenberger  
 Mr. & Mrs. Leo Ehly  
 Mrs. Frank Huseman  
 Charles Birkenfeld & Chuck  
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 Carl Dean Kleman  
 Mr. & Mrs. Earl G. Backus  
 Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Wagner  
 Mr. & Mrs. Al Maurer & Family  
 Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Birkenfeld  
 Alvin Anderle Family  
 Mr. & Mrs. Harry Kleman  
 Mr. & Mrs. Walter Schulte  
 The Paul Venhaus Family  
 Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Huseman & Family  
 Mrs. Louise Schulte  
 The Francis Gerber Family  
 Leslie Birkenfeld & Girls  
 Mr. & Mrs. Michael Gotch  
 Josephine Ball Family  
 Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Hoelting & Family  
 Mr. & Mrs. A. F. Steffens & Family  
 Mrs. Brigitta Dobmeier & Boys  
 Mr. & Mrs. Lavern Wilhelm & Children  
 Mr. & Mrs. Dan Schmucker & Children  
 Lucy Leinen  
 Mr. & Mrs. Joe Lange  
 Rose Birkenfeld  
 The John Smiths, Aurora, Colo.  
 James Buxkemper  
 Mr. & Mrs. Alvin Kleman & Family  
 Mary Beth Ramaekers  
 Kathy Acker  
 Mr. & Mrs. George Schacher  
 Benedictine Sisters  
 Mr. & Mrs. Walter Kleman & Family  
 The J. C. Pohlmeier Family  
 The Jerry Wilhelm Family  
 Mr. & Mrs. William C. Hochstein & Family  
 Elias Bermea & Family  
 Mr. & Mrs. Ed Hoelting  
 Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Brockman & Family  
 Albert Gerber Family  
 Louis Huseman Family  
 The Carol Birkenfeld Family

## Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I been good Santa Claus. I want a toy walkie talkie.  
 Love,  
 Rogelio Salios

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I've been good Santa Claus. I want a toy Thumbelina. I want a toy ballerina Barbie.  
 Love,  
 Detonja Vilas

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I hope I have been good. I want a pump B-B gun and a Sisslers two and a five speed. I want a go cart. And a walkie talkie. And a Star track Set. Thank you Santa.  
 Love,  
 Chad Smithson

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I Want Hush Little baby. I been good.  
 Love,  
 Kimberly Washington

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I have been good this year and I want to have a ten speed bike and new blue and white tennis shoes.  
 Love,  
 Nadine Gauna

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I have been good this year and I want Babby Crissie.  
 Love,  
 Melissa Morales

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I want a Hush Little Baby. I want a Happy Birthday Tender Love. Thubmelina Sonny and Cher.  
 Love,  
 Alicia Asua

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me a BB gun and a truck.  
 Lucio Martinez

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me a truck. BB Gun.  
 Gilbert

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I have been good. And I want a wake up Thumbelina and a Lifelike Baby and also a bean bag and Baby That away. I hope I get them.  
 Love,  
 Laura Nelson

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Bring a bike to Rene. I love you.  
 Rene Cavazos

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I tried to be good and I'll be good until Christmas. I want a Jewelry box. And a Happy Birthday Tender Love. And a Babby That away and don't cry babby.  
 Love,  
 Cindy Martinez

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I have been very good at school. Santa I like to have some toys. I want Hush little Baby and a big Doll.  
 Love,  
 Rosie Vasquez

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I been good this year. I want a motorcycle.  
 Love,  
 Tracy Hatla

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I want a pump B-B, Go cart, bike, train, and a ractrek Evil Kenevil.  
 Love,  
 Jason Todd Reaves

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I have been good. I want a Ballerina Barbie for Christmas.  
 Love,  
 Vanessa Pigg

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me a Tick Tack Toe, Bike and gun.  
 Jason

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me a doll, and A bike, A game.  
 Nita Fowler

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I would like a game.  
 David

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me a Tick Tack. Toe game, gun, bike, truck, book.  
 Jim Nelson

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me a truck, gun and game.  
 Brian Hewett

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me a bike, and doll.  
 Melissa Polivoda

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me a ball, book.  
 Linda Barron

Dear Santa,  
 How have you been? I have been a good girl. I would like a Miss America quick curl BarBie beauty set and a balarina Barbie.  
 Love,  
 Charlotte Cole

Dear Santa,  
 How have you been. I have been a good girl. I would like a baby carriage a ses of dishes and a tricycle.  
 Love,  
 Sandy DeLeon

Dear Santa,  
 How have you been? I have been a good boy. I would like a car racing set, a little motorcycle, a bicycle.  
 Love,  
 Modesto Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
 How have you been? I have been a good girl. I would like a doll and a baby.  
 Love,  
 Olaya Dozal

Dear Santa,  
 How have you been? I have been a good boy. I would like a big truck.  
 Love,  
 Luis Martinez

Dear Santa,  
 I would like a BB gun for Christmas. Will you bring my sister a babydoll. I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas.  
 Love,  
 Heath Hestand

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me a doll.  
 Carolina Sanchez

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me race track cars and a truck.  
 Ramon Garcia

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me a truck, book, BB gun.  
 Ralph Soto

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me a doll, book, and Tick Tack Toe.  
 Suzanne Mendez

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me a doll, and a bike.  
 Anne

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me a bike.  
 Victor Ortiz

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me a B.B. gun, race car set, 5,000 BB's.  
 Scott Sava

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me a Tick Tack Toe.  
 Richard Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me a bike and Tick Tack Toe book.  
 Tony Esqueja

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me a Tick Tack Toe and truck.  
 Tommy Rodriguez

# Star of Wonder

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

## H&S FARM SUPPLY

945-2225 2 Miles South of Nazareth on FM 168

# Dear Santa Claus



Dear Santa,  
How have you been I have been good boy. I would like a green machine and stretch  
Love,  
Jamey Davis

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a Nerf football, bike. I have been good.  
Love,  
Herman Longoria

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a truck. I have been good.  
Love,  
Andres Barron

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? I have been a good girl. I would like motorider, a stuffed doggie, and a light-up writing set.  
Love,  
Kim Clark

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have toys. I have been good.  
Love,  
Maria Garza

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a Nerf rocket and dump truck. I have been good.  
Love,  
Daniel Lacy

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? I have been a good boy. I would like a trampoline and a car.  
Love,  
Tony Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a Thum-bellina, tether ball. I have been good.  
Love,  
Cynthia George

Dear Santa,  
I want a ster track, rifle, suit, cowboy hat, Steve Austin, 2 guns, a holders.  
Love,  
Rey

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? I have been a good boy. I would like a fireman and a racecar.  
Love,  
Daniel Guerrero

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a bionic woman, Baby That Away. I have been good.  
Love,  
Jana Upton

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like for you to bring me a game like 6000000 ! man, BB gun, Fons.  
Love,  
Tim Elliott

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? I have been a good girl. I would like a Barbie sail kitchen, a Barbie camper, and trampoline.  
Love,  
Melinda Wilson

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a doll. I have been good.  
Love,  
Carla Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like for you to bring me a cowboy suit, cowboy hat, Fons, CB Startrack, Evel Kneevell, Jaws.  
Love,  
Daniel

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like for you to bring me a rifle, green machine, bow & arrow.  
Love,  
George

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a BB gun and real motorcycle. I have been good.  
Love,  
Jaime Lopez

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would lik for you to bring me a dog that talks.  
Love,  
Chanin

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a gun, a tricycle and bow and arrow.  
Love,  
George

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have toys and a doll. I have been good.  
Love,  
Lillie Vianes

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a train, jaws, startrack.  
Love,  
Santiago

Dear Santa,  
I want some toys and candy for Christmas. Bring me a "Good-night Nell" and things with Mickey Mouse. please. I love you.  
Love,  
Jennifer Sava

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a BB gun, rabbits. I have been good.  
Love,  
Rene Zambrano

Dear Santa,  
I am Ginger. Please send me a baby alive.  
Love,  
Ginger Sears

Dear Santa,  
I am 4 years old and I try to be a good boy. For Christmas I would like some play horses, a Big Wheels, and some Tinker Toys.  
Love,  
Brian Schmucker

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a tether ball, toy Santa Claus. I have been good.  
Love,  
Graciela Macias

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like for you to bring me bionic woman.  
Love,  
Bernice Ewing

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want little Star Trek, Jaws, BB gun, Evel Knievel.  
Love,  
Johnny Noe

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a Teddy bear, cycle motor. I have been good.  
Love,  
Benigno Montiel Jr.

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like for you to bring me baby tenderlove.  
Love,  
Kristi Kelley

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a Barbie doll. I have been good.  
Love,  
Mandy Garza

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a BB gun and toy motorcycle. I have been good.  
Love,  
Raymundo Perez Jr.

Dear Santa,  
I would like a trouble petrol, jaws, BB gun, Fons, cowboy suit.  
Love,  
Mike

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a Barbie doll. I have been good.  
Love,  
Mandy Garza

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have clay, toy, bus, bionic wom. I have been good.  
Love,  
Tomas

Dear Santa,  
I want you to bring me for Christmas a cowboy suit, streach armstrong, rifle, 2 guns and holders.  
Love,  
Tommy



There's no time quite like Christmas... when the world is bright with fantasy and we are all children again at heart. In the midst of its magic, Santa and we take a moment to wish you all you're wishing for, this sparkling holiday.

**BILL AND DON GREGORY**

**CASTRO COUNTY GRAIN CO.**

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

**A&H SUPPLY**  
Fred & Murray

# Children's Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good boy. I am four years old. I want a bat and ball for Christmas.  
Love,  
Richard McGuire

Dear Santa Claus,  
I love you. I want a tree house and a teddy bear. Merry Christmas.  
Judy Kay Steiert

Dear Santa Claus,  
Bring me a B-B gun and a radio and a car. I am a good boy.  
Mike

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a big bike for Christmas and candy.  
Wallay

Dear Santa,  
I want a bat and ball. I want a bike, and a gun.  
Steven McGuire

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a rubby-dub dolly and a tug boat shower. That is all I want for Christmas.  
Christy Stroud

Dear Santa,  
I want to say hello and also want to tell you I've been nice little boy. I want you to bring me a Evil Kieneval and six million dallar man and also a blue bike for Christmas.  
Your friend,  
Valentin Barrera Jr.

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike and a baby that ayay and a famaliy tree house.  
Criselda Mata

Dear Santa,  
I wold like a baby That away and a play typewriter for Crismus. My name is Lupe Lopez.

Dear Santa,  
I want a tuesday tallor and her house, frosty the sno man snoe cone maker, rub dud dolly and her boat, esy Bake oven and frosty mix, babby that way.  
Tonya Michelle Vaughn

Dear Santa Claus,  
Wish you cude come and veset us agan. I will tray to be rell god and want you to bring me a baby alive for chrismas.  
Becky Casas

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Combine. And a tractor and a Evil knivil And a six million doller man. A play motor cicle. Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Robert Laura

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Big Wheel. I want a bike.  
Love,  
George Dones

Dear Santa Clous,  
I was good. I want sum clothes. I want a Baby Crissie.  
Love,  
Linda Garza

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a hush Little baby and brown and white tenes. I want a bike to. And I have been good this year.  
Love,  
Anna Rivers

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been so good this week. I hope you get me Sonny and Cher. I hope I get them.  
Love,  
Elisa Sanchez

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been good this year. I want a bike and a drawsy doll and a marching Mickey Mouse.  
Love,  
Jackie Spinhirne

Dear Santa,  
I am 7 years old and I am in the 2nd grade. I want a surprise from you this year for Christmas.  
Love,  
Cinnamon Cox

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Tuesday Talor and her house. and I would like a coat with a hood. and a Ken. and a barbie car.  
Love,  
Kerri Collins

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Evil knivil and I want a green tral with sum cars and I win a meni bak.  
Ray Garcia

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Evil knivil, a six million doller man.  
Rosalio Fierro

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good boy this year. I woud like a set of cars and a tv magic. Money card ret. and they are in TG&Y and toys by Roy. And I woud like a lego with 100 brakes.  
I love you,  
from Tommy

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been good. I want a babby a live. Thank you. Love,  
Brenda Daniel  
Merry Christmas

Dear santa Claus,  
I have been good and I want a huch little Babby. Mary Christmas.  
Love,  
Deanna Sears

Dear Santa Claus,  
I been good. I woud like a Baby That Away.  
Love,  
Cathy Davila

Dear Santa,  
I want the Bionic womn and the Happy Brithday Tidrlove and Babby that a way.  
Susie Flores

Dear Santa,  
I want a suprise.  
Whitney Warren

Dear Santa,  
I wanta tv magic and a strech armstrog and a green mushen and a wheabe and a echrsckech and a bebe gun.  
Love,  
Paul Dannevik

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Baby that away and a Baby alive.  
Irma Gonzalez

Dear Santa,  
I am game toys. Bring Mother and Daddy something. I have a little brother his name is Michael. Bring Michael a toy, please. I am four year old.  
Larry Lemons

Dear Santa,  
I want a baby Alive and a gron up skiper and I hope you come back.  
Maria Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a bicycle and a car.  
Danny Carrillo

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Tuesday Talr. Merry Christmas.  
Shellie Proffitt

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a doll for Christmas. Merry Christmas.  
Rita

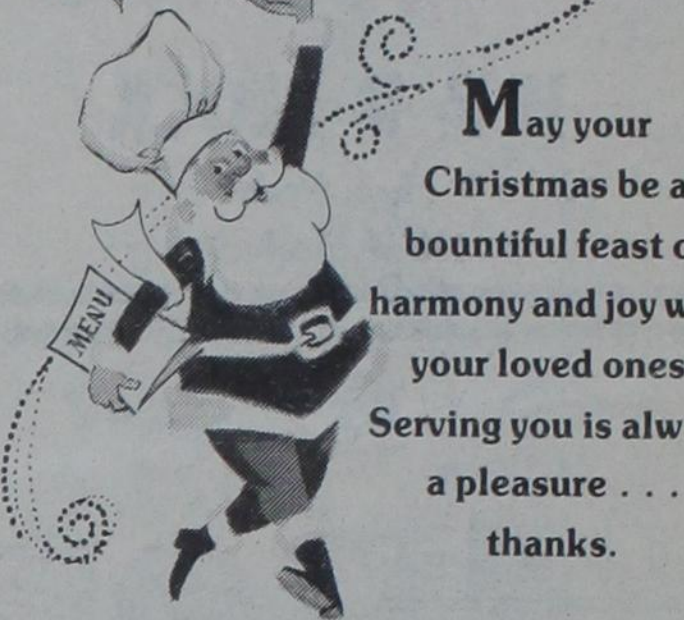
Dear Santa Claus,  
I want Evil Knivil, train, bicycle, BB gun.  
Franky Ochoa

Dear Santa Claus,  
I wan a Evil Knavil, a bicycle, a six million doller man, a mine bike.  
Javie Anes

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Six million doller man and a Evil knivil and a bicycle.  
Noe Lara

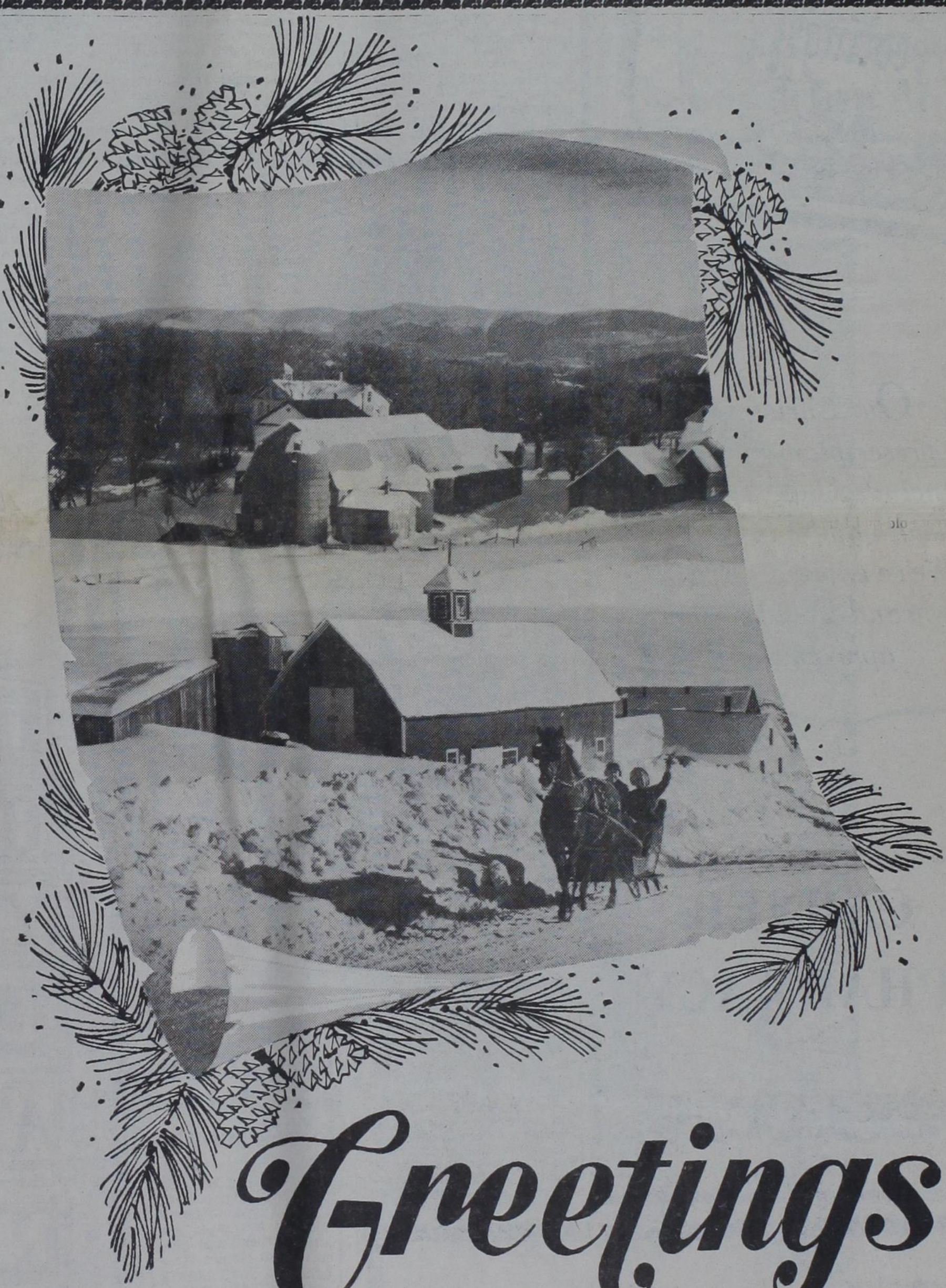
Dear Santa,  
I want a crawling baby and a cry baby. I have been a good girl. I want a race car.  
Love,  
Lissa Edwards

Dear Santa Clause,  
I want a cry baby. I have been a good girl. I am four. I want a bike, a ball and a jump suit.  
Love,  
Nissa Edwards



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

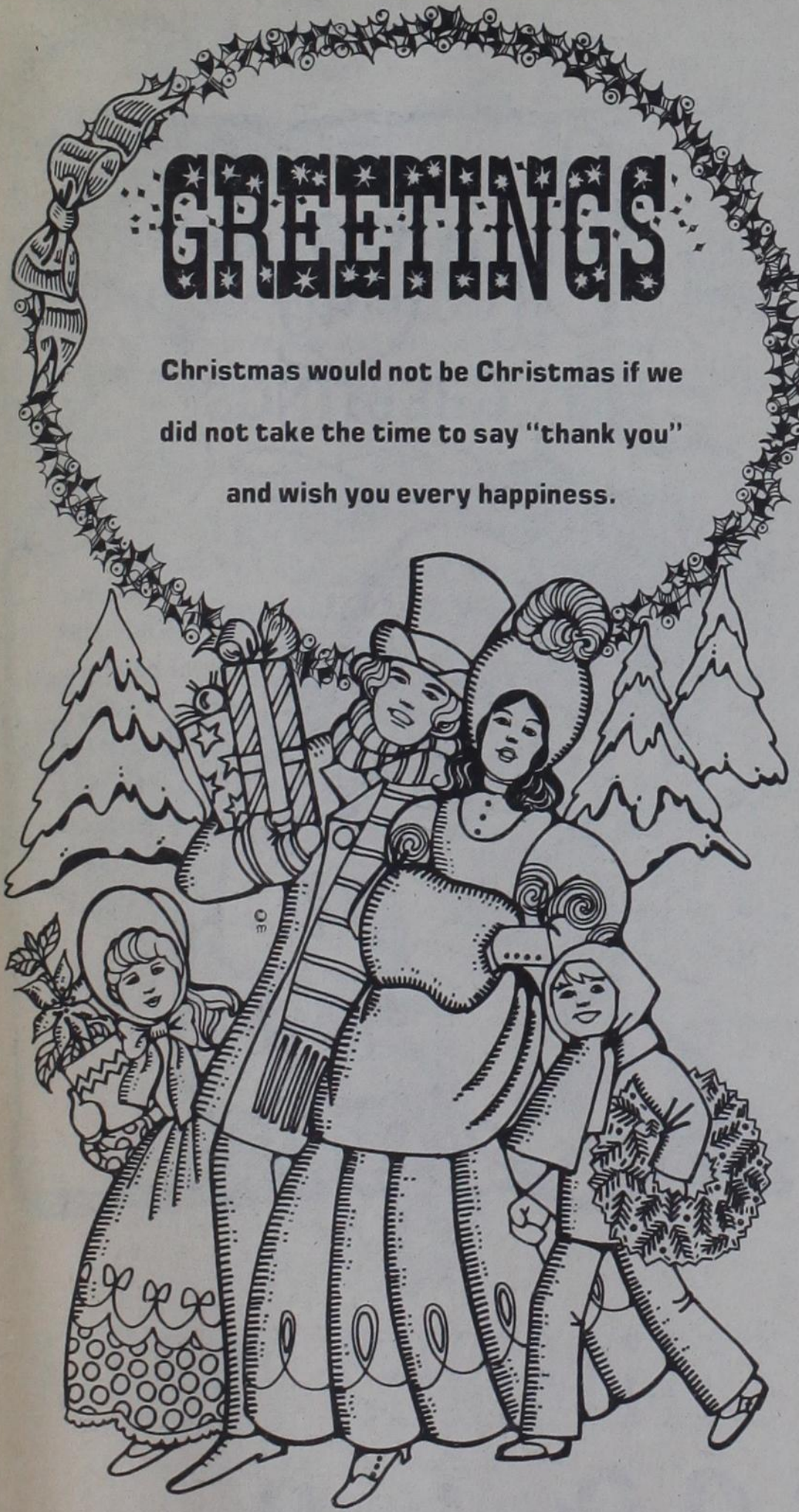
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# Greetings

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

**Dimmitt Plant,  
Amstar Corporation**



## GREETINGS

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

**NELSON  
DRILLING & PUMP SERVICE**

# CHRISTMAS

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



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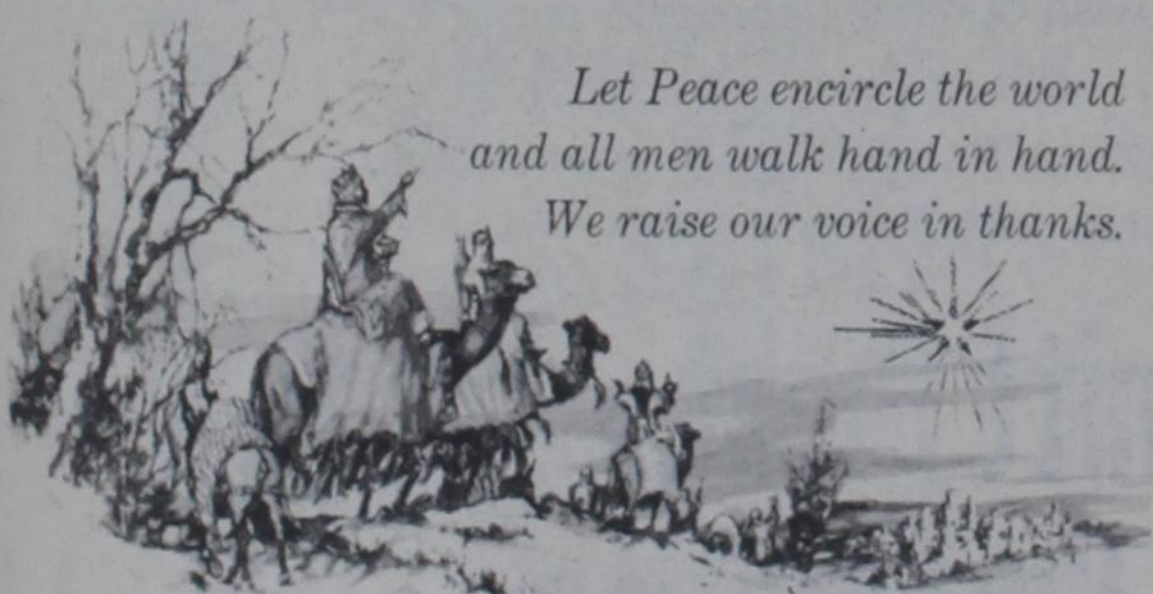
Our Christmas prescription for you includes daily doses of health and happiness. We've enjoyed serving you and extend sincere appreciation.

## CARVER PHARMACY



# Blessings at Christmas

Let Peace encircle the world and all men walk hand in hand. We raise our voice in thanks.



FLOY DRIVER  
MOBIL WHOLESALE

# Children's Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a guitar, Love,  
B-B gun.  
Juan Rodriguez

Dear Sata,  
I have been good. Please bring me a baby That-a-way.  
Karen Rials

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a baby alive.  
Anna Zavala

Dear Santo,  
I have been good. Please bring me a baby that away.  
Alice Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a Trampolen.  
Raymond Falcon

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a GI Joo, bicycle, green machine.  
Mike Hauf

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a bicycle.  
Tina Ramos

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring ma a Walkie-Talkie.  
Lupe Galvan

## Snow or No, It's Always "White Christmas"

The traditional image of an outdoor Christmas scene brings to mind, for most of us, the brilliance of sunlight on snow-covered fields and hills. But this is an idea that originated in the northern parts of Europe and America—and of course it doesn't really apply to the climate in many parts of our country.

In southern California, for instance, roses are blooming at Christmas—indeed, we all know this if only because of the famous New Year's "Rose Bowl" football game. And in Florida, at Christmas time, there's apt to be a hot sun beaming down on sand.

However, the image of the White Christmas has taken hold everywhere. And so we use artificial snow, and garlands of Spanish moss instead of evergreens. Even palm trees may be used as Christmas trees, which, after all, relates realistically to the climate of the Holy Land itself.

Even in the north, today, it often happens that snow fails to appear at Christmas. But tradition is stronger than the contrary weather. We like the look and the idea of snow, and this tradition is reflected in our holiday decorations and greeting cards. The whiteness of snow stands for purity — its coldness suggests by contrast the warmth and coziness of the fireside and family group. And the magic of snow falling can lift our spirits as it transforms the world, covering all that is dreary with pure white.

# Looking ahead to Christmas — Give a gift you make yourself

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

**Rum or Bourbon Balls**  
Make these a few weeks before giving, so they have a chance to ripen.  
1 cup pecans, almonds or walnuts, chopped fine  
1 cup vanilla wafer crumbs  
2 tablespoons Dutch cocoa  
1 cup powdered sugar  
1 1/2 tablespoons white karo syrup  
1/4 cup rum or bourbon  
Mix all ingredients together. Using about 1 rounded teaspoon of the mixture, form small balls. Roll in extra powdered sugar and store in tightly covered container, making sure they are not crowded together. That's it! For a change, try chocolate wafers instead of the vanilla, but leave cocoa out of recipe if you do.

**Leckerli**  
1/2 cup honey  
1 cup sugar  
1/2 cup chopped candied lemon and orange peel  
1 1/2 tsp. nutmeg  
1 1/2 tsp. cloves  
1 tablespoon cinnamon  
1 tsp. baking soda  
1 cup unblanched almonds, sliced thin  
Grated rind of 1/2 lemon  
2 3/4 cups sifted flour  
Heat honey and 1/2 cup sugar to boiling. Remove from heat and add peel, spices and baking soda dissolved in 2 tablespoons cold water. Add remaining ingredients and knead until well blended. Roll dough to 1/2 inch thickness. Put on greased waxed paper, on cookie sheet and bake in moderate oven, 325°, for about 25 minutes. Turn out on wire rack and remove paper immediately. Turn, right side



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

up. Cook remaining 1/2 cup sugar and 1/4 cup water until mixture spins a thread. Spread on leckerli and cut in diamond shapes. Store in airtight container for at least a week before giving or using.

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

Start heating oven. Grease, then line with waxed paper, a loaf pan measuring 9" x 5" x 3". Place first 4 ingredients in sifter. In large bowl put nuts, dates and cherries and sift flour mixture over them. Mix with hands till fruits and nuts are well coated. Beat eggs till foamy, add vanilla, stir into nut mix until well mixed. Spread evenly in pan, bake until done. Cool in pan on wire rack for 15 minutes. Remove from pan; peel paper off; cool on rack. Wrap in aluminum foil and store in refrigerator. Will keep for 5 or 6 weeks. Happy holiday nibbling to all!

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a baby walk doll and Bionic Woman.  
Leslie Ann Ochoa

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a baby rock, a Bionic woman and dishes.  
Sandy Sifuentez

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Bionic Woman, a baby that-a-way and a Dusty's cowboy set.  
DeBorgh Mohon

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a smashup derby and race track.  
George Brown

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a six million dollar man and train.  
Manuel Pizano

## Original holiday decorations add to merriment!

For a shimmering effect, swag long strips of tinsel at the top of your windows, over whatever curtains or drapes are already there. Add glistening Christmas tree balls and you'll have a picture window that is lovely inside and out.

For a festive indoor window-sill box, fill a long planter with evergreens and tuck bright tinsel flowers thickly through the greens. You might also want to stand this Christmas garden on a long book shelf.

Hang a silver metal lettuce basket in some unexpected corner of your house, filled with large and small balls of colored yarn accented with gleaming Christmas tree balls... all silver would be spectacular! A simple and sophisticated table centerpiece can be a conversation piece when entertaining. Fill a glass hurricane chimney with cranberries, kumquats or crab apples and top with a tuft of graceful seasonal greenery. Flanked by graceful candles it is a lovely sight. If you're lucky enough to have a mantelpiece, this colorful arrangement will look charming on it as well.

Dear Santa, Please bring me a B.B. gun. Robert Cantu

Dear Santa, Please bring me a doll. Love, Roserinda Mata

Greetings we want to add our finishing touch to the Christmas season with fond wishes and "thanks."

ALVIN'S DRIVE-IN CLEANERS

MERRY CHRISTMAS

We're full up with extra special Christmas wishes for you, for Joy, Friendship and Cheer. It's a privilege to serve you... thanks.

GARZA FINA STATION

# Christmas GREETINGS

To our friends and loyal patrons, here's hearty wishes for the best Christmas ever. Thanks.

# W & C Grain, Inc.





# Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a Marching Mickey Mouse.  
Angelita Martinez

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Bionic Woman, dishes and doll clothes.  
Elsa R.



ANGELS WATCHING OVER THE CHRIST CHILD  
... A scene from the Nazareth Christmas Pageant

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a baby cry doll and Bionic Woman.  
Odelia Vasquez

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me an electric train, bike tire and a flag for my bike.  
Robert Upshaw

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Bionic Woman, dishes and baby cry doll.  
Veronica Fierro

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a baby cry and Bionic Woman.  
Lupe Lopez

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a baby that-a-way and Bionic Woman.  
Lupe Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a baby cry, Bionic Woman and dishes.  
Paula Sanchez

## It's a party! THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Everyone gets into the act at this favorite Christmas party. Invite dear friends and relatives for a heart-warming evening for all. The hostess heaps baskets with ribbons, popcorn, colored papers and cellophane, foil, seals, bells, colored yarns, scissors, glue, whatever. Each one makes ornaments from whatever suits his or her fancy, and then uses them to trim the tree. Prizes can be awarded for the funniest, prettiest, or cleverest ornament. After light refreshments, guests take home one or two of their creations for their own tree.

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a trampalene.  
Lonnie Ramirez

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a bicycle.  
Sarah Gabel

## Hot tips for entertaining

For a holiday buffet, you'll want a way to keep your hot dishes just that way. Electric hot trays are the number one choice because they are usually made to keep foods warm, without drying them up. Small electric cooking appliances are great too. You can cook a dish in one and when ready to set out on the table you can turn the setting down to "warm." It will hold at serving temperature nicely that way.

There are many attractive tabletop warmers that use canned fuels... alcohol burners, butane gas burner, or candles. Be sure to read the instructions carefully, as a safety precaution.

## Merry Christmas



Let us, one and all, delight in the treasures and adornments that decorate Christmas! Our thanks.

## Colonial Inn Motel



## Merry Christmas

In the spirit of the season — we hope everybody has the happiest of holidays wherever you spend it! Your kind patronage is appreciated.

## FLOYDS EXXON STATION



## Merry Christmas

Best wishes for a model Christmas overflowing with happy days. Thanks to our loyal friends for their confidence.

## THRASHER AUTO, BRAKE & MUFFLER



## MERRY CHRISTMAS

All aboard this holiday train. It's right on track to bring a full load of good will and friendship your way. Enjoy it... have a happy day! Serving you is our ticket to pleasure.

## JACKSON DITCHING SERVICE

Kenneth Jackson



Wishing you a heavenly Christmas, splendid with love and shining hours.

At this most beautiful of seasons we send special thanks to all our friends... may every happiness be yours!

## Hay's Implement Co.

Jim Hays, David Hays, Douglas Hays, Boyce Carter, Louise Stone, David Patterson, Robert Woolbright, J. D. McDonald, Hayward Glover, Bea Jones, Doug Hays, Gary Cole, A. C. Carthel, Don Shipley, Ken Irbeck, Delton Watts, James Phatts

Dear Santa,  
Please bren the children in my  
toys and plees bren cande

and plees bren me a gun.  
Thank you.  
Kevin Earl Reed



Santa's bright magic  
touches us all at Christmas. Tucked in  
among his gifts you'll find our thanks and  
special wishes for a wondrous Holiday!

**Castro Co-op Gin**

Earl Chaney, Manager



**Christmas**

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

**WESTERN AUTO**

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Spinhirne & Family  
We Value Your Business And Friendship.



**Letters to Santa Claus**

Dear Santa,  
I want you to give the goot  
boys and grils in the wold toys.  
I want an bike. Thank you.  
Ruben

Dear Santa,  
Please bring all the kids in  
my class toys. May I please  
have a bike. Please eat some  
cookies and please go to the  
feed yard and you can get some  
hay for your rain deers. Thank  
you.  
Kynld Longan

Dear Santa,  
Please brang a big sak of  
toys for the children. Thank  
you.  
Lewis Braddock

Dear Santa,  
Please bring Benji some-  
thing, and please bring me a  
puppy. Thanks.  
Jamie Reeve

Dear Santa,  
Brag sum thegs to evre boy  
and girl and I want a mugin  
gun.  
David Silva

Dear Santa,  
Pleas do not forget inybody.  
Santa pleas bring me a bebe  
gun. Thank you.  
Russell Heath

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a pupy and  
a gren mashin.  
Scott

Dear Santa Claus,  
How have you been since last  
year? I have been fine. I am  
hoping you will come to my  
house on Christmas. I want a  
recrod player, bike, a watch,  
necklace, t.v., a Barbie town  
house, and a typewriter. I hope  
you have a good trip.  
Sheryl Simpson

Dear Santa,  
Please bring all the childran  
presuns on Chrismas night.  
Patricia

Dear Sannta,  
I want a b-b gun. There are a  
bunch more things I want but I  
don't want to write them down.  
I can't wait to see you.  
Jeff Howell

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want an electric train, some  
play dough, and a bean bag  
chair for Christmas. I also want  
a Jaws game. Santa will you  
drive carefully? How is Mrs.  
Claus? Thank you Santa for  
what you brought me last year.  
Have a Merry Christmas.  
Donna Behrends

Dear Santa Claus,  
I know that Christmas is  
going to be here soon and I  
know that you are Santa Claus  
so I want some toys. I want a  
chalk board that can be washed  
with a rag when it gets dirty.  
Also, I want a life like baby,  
typewriter, Barbies Quick Curl,  
and a trampoline. I hope you  
drive well in the snow.  
Laura Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus,  
How do you like our Chris-  
mas tree? It looks very pretty.  
We have been working very  
hard on our decorations. I want  
clothes for Christmas. Do you  
like our stockings and bells.  
Anie Catano

Dear Santa Claus,  
I don't want a lot of toys. I  
want some clothes. I want a  
B-B gun. Also, a walkie talkie,  
a clock, a recodplayer, a coat  
and blue jeans. Have a happy  
Christmas.  
Vidal Trevino

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want very little. All I want  
to have is a truck. But most of  
all I want a new B-B gun and a  
recrod player. Have a safe trip  
and have a Merry Christmas.  
Mother wants a stove. Love,  
Michael Schinkus

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a race car,  
and train.  
Basilio Flores

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a typewriter and a  
bean bag chair. A baby-thats-  
away. A easy back oven. How  
are you? I hope you give me a  
lot of toys to play with and  
bring us clothes and shoes too.  
Would you give my teacher a  
jump suit and a light brown  
beautiful coat?  
Becky Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
I would like a basket for my  
bike, a trampoline and a Barbie  
doll. I like candy. Could you get  
my teacher a diamond necklace  
with a diamond ring? Could  
you get me a pair of roller  
skates? Hope you have a good  
ride.  
Marsha Wimberley

Dear Santa Claus,  
I don't want a lot of toys. I  
just want a B-B gun and a  
walkie talkie. I hope you come  
to my school.  
Ricky Joe Revilla

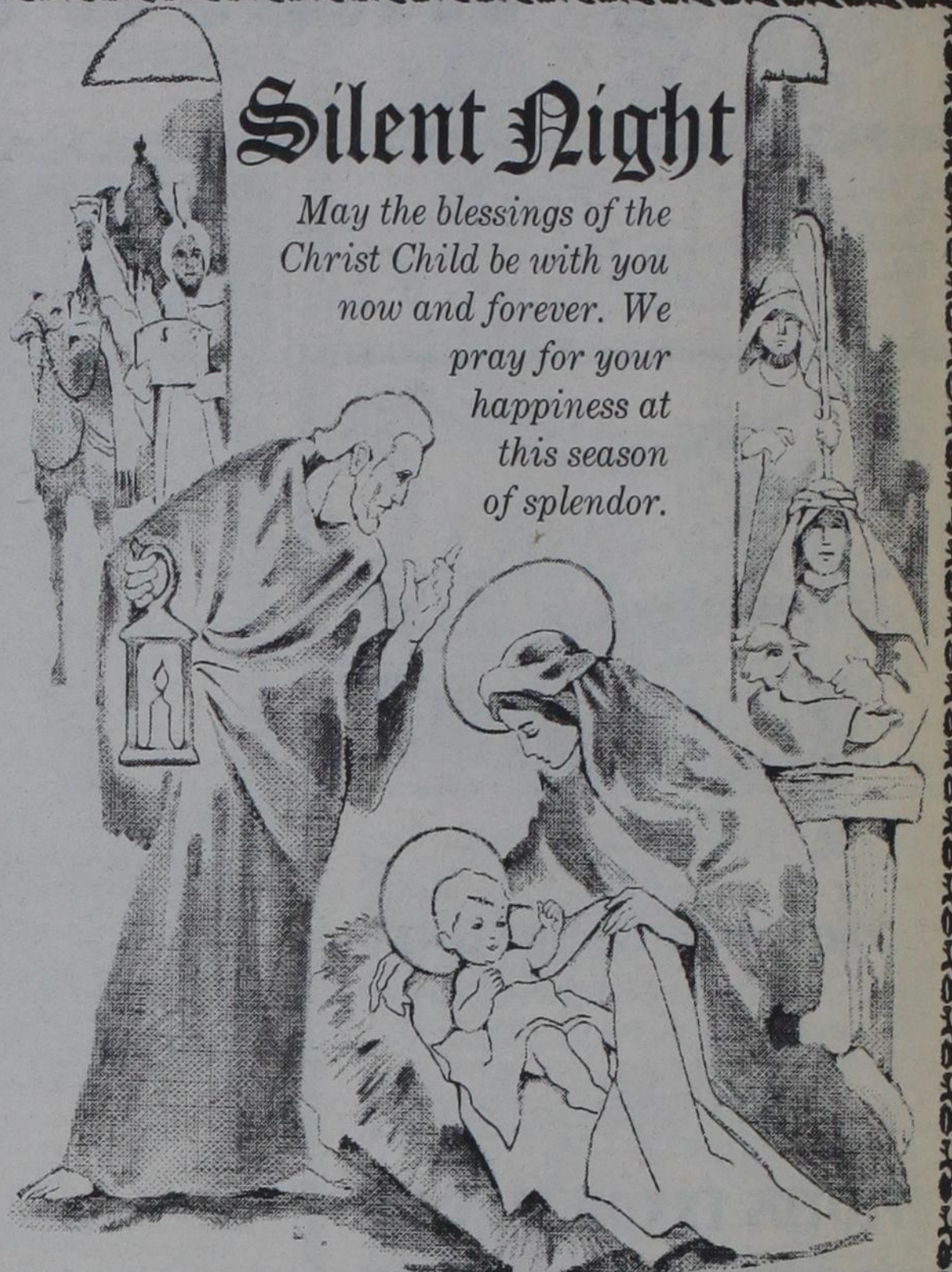
Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a bike Christmas and I  
want a B-B gun. I want a dump  
truck for my brother. I want a  
Christmas tree. Have you been  
doing fine? I want you to drive  
carefully over here.  
Jose Corpus

Dear Santa,  
This Christmas I want a  
digital clock, an aircraft carrier  
and most of all I want a 22 gun.  
I also want some more train  
cars and a boys bicycle and  
many other things. How are  
you and Mrs. Claus and the  
reindeer? I am doing fine. Is  
Rudolph getting along o.k.?  
Ben Benton

Dear Santa,  
Pleas bring all the children  
some toys in Mrs. Sheffy room.  
and will have some punch for  
you at my house. Thank you.  
Melissa Quintero

Dear Santa,  
All of us have ben good in  
Mrs. Sheffys room. Please  
brang me a horse. Me and my  
sister name Cary. Thank you.  
Paula Ivey

Dear Santa,  
Plies get all the boys and  
grils toys and get me a doll and  
will have hot choklet.  
Thank you,  
Josie Guerra



**Silent Night**

May the blessings of the  
Christ Child be with you  
now and forever. We  
pray for your  
happiness at  
this season  
of splendor.

**Anthony's**  
C R ANTHONY CO

*Merry Christmas*



Heartfelt wishes for a glowing Yuletide overflowing with good  
cheer and happy days. We are thinking of you, our dear friends,  
and hoping your holidays will be filled with many delights.

Special thanks to all.

**PRODUCTION CREDIT ASSOCIATION**

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Dear Santa,  
How have you been? I have been a good girl. I would like a set of dishes.  
Love,  
Nora Orona

Dear Santa,  
How have you been? I have been a good boy. I would like a football set and a play motorcycle.  
Love,  
Alonzo Sarabia

# Start Packing Your Bag Right Now, Santa!



**THANKS**

to the  
**BEST CUSTOMERS**  
IN THE WORLD  
**MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR**

**FLAGG GIN CO., INC.**

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a binoc woman and a doll.  
Yours truly,  
Sandra Garcia

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want jaws.  
Diane Talley

Dear Santlos,  
For Christmas I want a riful, bebe gun, green machine, evel knevel machine.  
Jeff Catow

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want Evel Knevel.  
Harlis Jordan

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a Raggedy Ann doll.  
Becky Ramos

Dear Santa,  
Plis Santa bring All the child toys. Santa I will lif cucis orf the table.  
Thank you,  
Christy Barron

Dear Santa,  
Please breng sum girl doll and sum toys. Thank you.  
Damas Chivia

Dear Santa,  
I wish you would pleas bring some toys for girls and boys. Pleas I want a coat. Thank you.  
Lisa Reene Talley

Dear Santa,  
I hope that you will bring aver one something. Santa pleas bring me a barby set and a bike. Thank you.  
Sandy

Dear Santa,  
Plees breng sum toys. I wint a doll, tumbленu.  
Molly Flores

Dear Santa,  
Please bring all my friends some toys. And please bing me a train. We put up our chresmas tree and we like it. And I hope that you like it. Thank you.  
Moses Vasquez

Dear Santa,  
Please don't forget to brege things for my mom and dad. Please give me baby that a way.  
Thank you,  
Brenda Schinkus

Dear Santa,  
I wold like a bicycle. Thank you.  
Kirk Ward

Dear Santa,  
Please bring the chirn sum candy. Brin me Shan Shin flmly for christmas. Thank you.  
Tina Anderson

Dear Santa,  
Will you pleas bring all of the people good Toys. I want babby Dataway.  
Delia Garcia

Dear Santa,  
Will you please remember all the other people in the world. Would you please bring me a Happy Brithday tender love. Thank you.  
Cara Odom

Dear Santa,  
Please Remember to bring evry child in the world a toy. Don't froget bring all the good boys and girls. Bring all my family a toy but my Mother and my father some stof. Bring all my kusens too. I want a barbe set please. Thank you.  
Teresa Jurado

Dear Santa,  
Plese could you bring all of the children some toys Plese. I want a beebee gun. Thank you.  
Allan Thompson

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me for Christ- mas a cowboy suit and hat, rifle, SWAT, little police cars.  
Richard Moreno

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like for you to bring me baby alive.  
Debbie Branaman

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like for you to bring me jaws, BB gun, Evel Knevel.  
Brad

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like for you to bring bionic woman, magic game.  
Martha Martinez

Dear Santa,  
I want a BB gun and a green machine.  
Kyle

Dear Santa,  
I want you to bring me rifle, 600000 ! man.  
Jesse

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like you to bring me cowboy hat, BB gun, Jaws, books and cowboy suit.  
Ignacio

Dear Santa,  
Please bring all the boys and girls a few pies of bobul gum and me I want a bicikul. Thank you.  
Billy

Dear Santa,  
I which you give to children what they want. I which you give me a dall that I hutch little bide bide. And I will live some cooks on the tible. Thank you.  
Mary Sanchez

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like for you to bring me jaws, bionic

woman, magic game, color books and colors.  
Susie

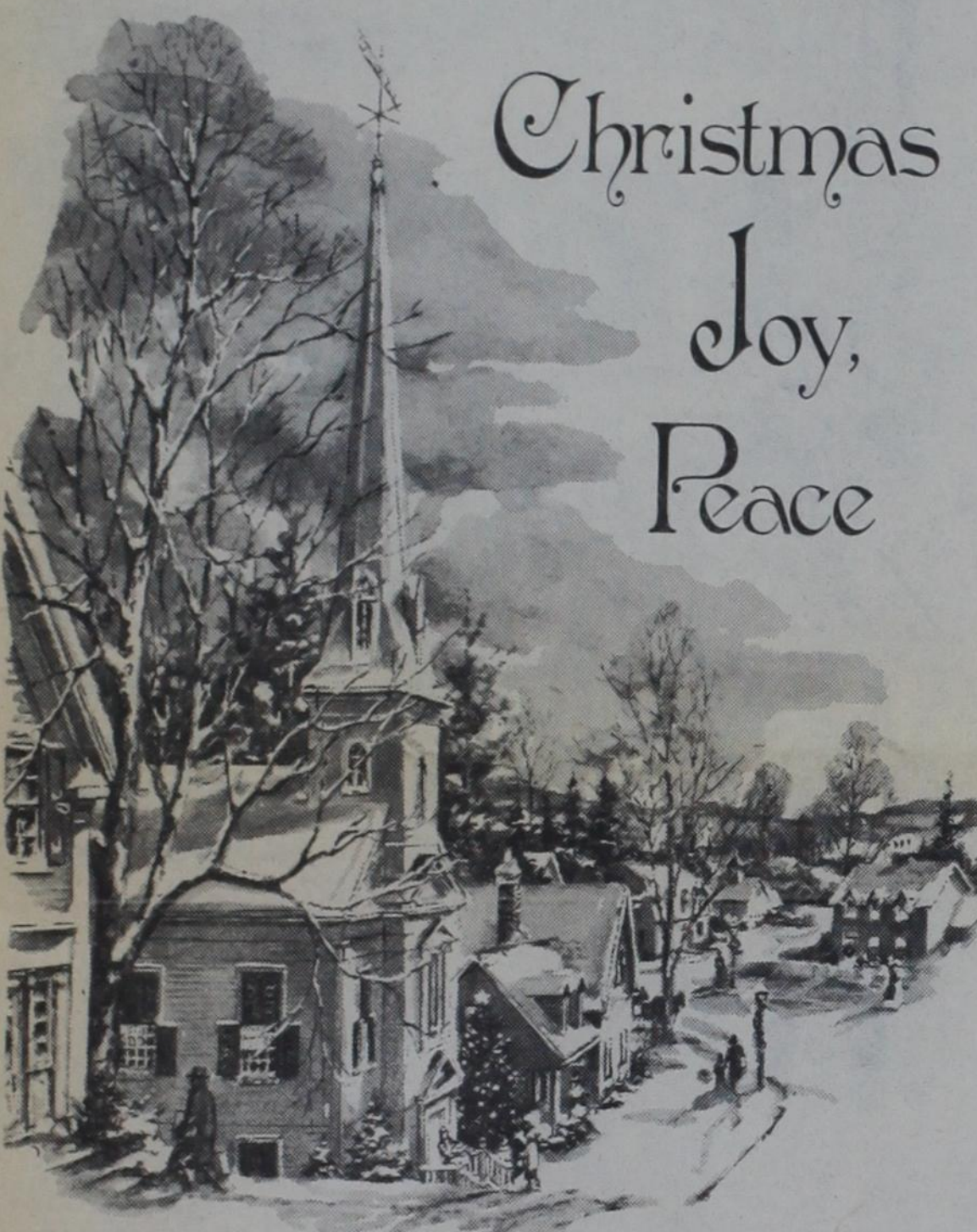
Dear Santa,  
I want a machine gun.  
Neno Estraca

## MERRY CHRISTMAS



May we take this time to send you all our brightest greetings for the Yuletide season, and our sincere thanks for your kind support.

### THE VILLAGE SHOP



Christmas  
Joy,  
Peace

To all men of good will...to all our good friends...we send greetings for a happy holiday. We appreciate your loyal patronage.

## FARMERS SUPPLY CO.

Sales & Service  
Phone 647-3350



# GREETINGS

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

## DIMMITT AGRI INDUSTRIES

Merry Christmas

We're wishing that you'll enjoy warmth and peace at your hearthside this Christmas. It's our way of saying thank you for a truly fine relationship.

**DON HARGROVE**  
CONTRACTOR



GOLD, FRANKINCENSE AND MYRRH  
The gifts brought to the child by the wise men

## Christmas Cards From Long Ago

About a hundred years ago, Christmas card messages were apt to be expressed in rather quaint verse. Here are several reprinted recently in the Illustrated London News.

From an elaborate card of the 1880's:

*Come welcome again  
The King of Seasons all  
For Christmas doth reign  
With hearty good cheer.  
Success to next year  
Re-echoes from wall to wall.*

This one is from a card of 1878:

*Happy Christmas to thee, dearest,  
Dwelling in thy happy home,  
And we wish for thee, how fondly,  
Many long bright years to come.  
May such friends be thine as ever  
Seek thy pleasure as their own:  
And if sorrow must come nigh thee  
May'st thou never weep alone.*

And here's another:

*'Tis now a bright and jovial time  
For friends together meeting  
But those whom fate doth separate  
Must take a friendly greeting.  
Then let me hope my missive may  
Serve as a welcome token  
Of all the loving words I'd say  
Could'st thou but hear them spoken!*

**CHRISTMAS WISHES**

Delivering warm wishes for a Merry Christmas to our good friends. Thanks all!

**DIMMITT APPLIANCE CENTER**



**Serving up generous portions of holiday happiness to our devoted patrons, adding a sprinkle of good cheer and thanks!**

**BOBCAT DRIVE IN**

# Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me roller skates.  
Love,  
Raul Dones

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a B-B gun, race car.  
Love,  
Trey Autry

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a pellet gun.  
Love,  
John Hill

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a motorcycle.  
Love,  
Tony Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a motorcycle.  
Love,  
Raymond Murillo

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a doll and a bicycle.  
Love,  
Mary Trevino

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a doll.  
Love,  
Bonnie Perez

Dear Santa,  
Please bring a motorcycle.  
Love,  
Javier Dozal

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a motorcycle.  
Love,  
Todd West

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a record player.  
Love,  
Nora Martinez

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me thumblina.  
Love,  
Debbie Zuniga

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a bicycle.  
Love,  
Mecca Saucedo

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a bicycle. I love you.  
Love,  
Edward Rivera

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a baby that a-way.  
Love,  
Lupe Aranda

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a bicycle.  
Love,  
Roul

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a bicycle.  
Love,  
Sharon Bradley

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a thumblina.  
Love,  
Annette Flore

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a race track. I love you.  
Love,  
Steve Gerber

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a truck, bicycle.  
Love,  
Tony Anderson

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a thumblina.  
Love,  
Donie Hays

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a baby cry, Bionic Woman.  
Love,  
Angelita Sifuntez

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a truck and six million dollar man.  
Love,  
Martin Padilla

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me Bionics, Attack carrier, verdybird, and turtle.  
Love,  
Jeremy Warren

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me baby cry and Bionic Woman.  
Love,  
Sandra Sifuntez

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Be-Be gun.  
Love,  
Ruvaldo Quintero

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me roller skates, doll, cat, kite, and big doll.  
Love,  
Traci Hill

### Wassailing the Trees

This unusual torchlight ceremony still is observed in certain parts of England on January 17, which is the date of "old 12th Night." It's another survival from very ancient times, when prayers were made to the god of trees and fruit.

A glass of cider is thrown on the trunk of an old apple tree, while toast soaked in cider is fastened to the tree branches. Then guns are fired through the branches, while the old invocation, or prayer to the tree, is sung. Once the evil spirits have been frightened away by the guns, says the old tradition, one can settle down to the business of drinking cider—a real "wassail."

# Merry Christmas



Christmas is the perfect time for remembering the friendships we cherish. We count you among our dear friends and wish you every happiness now and always.

## EASTER GIN CO.

### GIFT-GIVING VARIES

In most European countries, families give presents either on St. Nicholas' Day, December 6, or on Christmas Eve, or at Epiphany—January 6. Only the English and Americans customarily choose Christmas Day itself for gift-giving.

### BAN ON MISTLETOE

Mistletoe is almost never one of the greens used in church decorations, because it has always been considered pagan, as the badge of the Druid.



DELECTABLE HOME MADE COOKIES make original tree trimmings as well as happy holiday eating.

## Little folks bake cookies for fun and happy hours

Youngsters can spend many creative hours in the kitchen, baking and putting together their very own cookies and Christmas treats.

The recipes below are easy for little folk and will provide some toothsome goodies to add excitement to your table, hang on your tree or wrap as gifts.

**Basic Cookies** (from a mix). Decide which cookie to make and make up basic dough from package directions. Use ginger-cookie mix if preferred. Roll dough out about 1/8" thick. Cut in desired shapes. Bake as package directs, then decorate with prepared frosting.

**Santa Cookie:** From cookie dough mix, cut out tear drop shape about 3" tall. Sprinkle with red sugar. Bake, cool, then decorate. Pointed top of tear drop is Santa's peaked hat. The wide bottom, his body.

**Gumdrop Christmas Tree:** Cut out triangle for tree, and small rectangle for tree base, from basic cookie dough. Press parts into place on cookie sheet and bake. When cool, add gum drops for ornaments.

**Singing Angel:** From cookie dough mix, cut out circle for head and larger triangle for body. From contrasting dough cut wings in tear-drop shape. On cookie sheet, press all parts into place and bake. Cool and decorate with frosting or egg paint (recipe below).

**Egg Paint:** It is easier for young people to decorate baked cookies, but egg paint can be applied before baking too. To make this medium, mix an egg yoke with a few drops of water. Put small amounts in tiny dishes and add vegetable coloring as desired. Use a soft brush for each color, and let your imagination go! If you are using the cookies for Christmas tree trimming, remember to leave a small hole about 1/4 inch from top of the cookie, for a bit of colored yarn or ribbon as the hanger.

## The Miracle of Christmas

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

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

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

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

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

**From Our Family To Your Family**

**Happy Holidays**

**THE ELECTRIC COMPANY**

ELECTRICITY - IT DOES SO MUCH GOOD

FOR SO MANY PEOPLE

**WHITE HOUSE CHRISTMAS TREE**

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

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



# Letters to Santa Claus



## Season's Greetings From

# Hart

We who live in "The Town With a Heart" send you this special greeting, with the hope that you will have a joyous, meaningful Christmas.

- Mrs. H. E. Loman
- Dorothy Riley Burt
- Mrs. John Rice
- Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Felder
- Pete Steiert and Family
- W. T. and Joby Sanders

- Sue Dinwiddie
- Mrs. G. R. Bennett
- Frank, Nita, Rusty and Matt Hooper
- Mrs. Lena R. Maples
- Mr. and Mrs. David Smith
- Lester Richburg
- Tom and Laverne McLain
- Everette Cole
- Dwight and Wanda Miller
- Ray and Edna Riley
- Ira and Angie McLain
- Harvey and Delphia Davis
- Jimmy and Greta Davis and Family
- Weldon, Gaylia Davis and Family
- Doug, Marilyn, Lisa, and Doug Higgins
- Mrs. Irene Sharp and Boys
- Kenny, Sandy and Chad Hill
- James, Debbie, Gary and Teresa Jackson
- Agnes and Ernest Martin
- Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Swopes
- Willis A. Hawkins Sr.
- Mr. and Mrs. James Werner
- Mark and Jana



This is our Community Christmas Card to you and our other local friends. Instead of sending you individual cards, we have donated our card money to the Hart Cemetery Fund. It's a tradition which we feel honors the memory of those who helped make so many past Christmases happy for all of us.



## MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

We've asked Santa to deliver good cheer, happy times, and our heartiest wishes to show our appreciation for your loyal friendship and continued patronage.

### GEORGE'S MOBIL STATION



"YOU WILL FIND THE BABE LYING IN A MANGER" The shepherds hear the angel's message

Dear Santa, I would like to have for Christmas a playing piano and a Barbie doll. I love you Santa.  
Rachel Martinez

Dear Santa, Please send me a baby alive and a coke-a-cola truck.  
Charlene Benoit

Dear Santa, Please bring me a traler, a motor cycle, truck and a Bionic Man.  
Carlos Corpus

Dear Santa, Please bring me a drum set, six million dollar man and cross motor bike.  
Kip Yates

### A Festive Name

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

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

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

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

Dear Santa Claus, I am eight years old. I have a mother & father & four more sisters their names are: Sheila age 14 Tina age 12 Kimberly age 11 and Latrina age 8 & my mother and father's name is Lois Marie age 32 and Anderson age 36. I am a kind of a good girl but I am a good enough girl to get something for Christmas. For Christmas I want a Christmas tree all decorated with all kinds of blinking lights, and I want a 5 speed bicycle and let it be a training wheel bike. And a sweet doll that laughs and cries and a Easy bake oven. Santa I love you and if you get me all of what I want I will get you a good gift. And since you haven't had dinner I will have you something good and hot and some pretty cookies and you better look close if you don't want to be kissed under the mistletoe.

Dear Santa, I would like a Growing up Skipper and Her some Clothes. I also want a name maker.  
Toni Gabel

Dear Santa, Please bring me a pellet gun.  
Oscar Balderas

Dear Santa, Please bring me a doll.  
Love, Mary Ann Martinez

Dear Santa, Please bring me a gun.  
David Gil

Dear Santa, Please bring me a doll. Love, Ofelia Lopez

Denise

### Women's lib endorses green Christmas

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

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

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

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

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

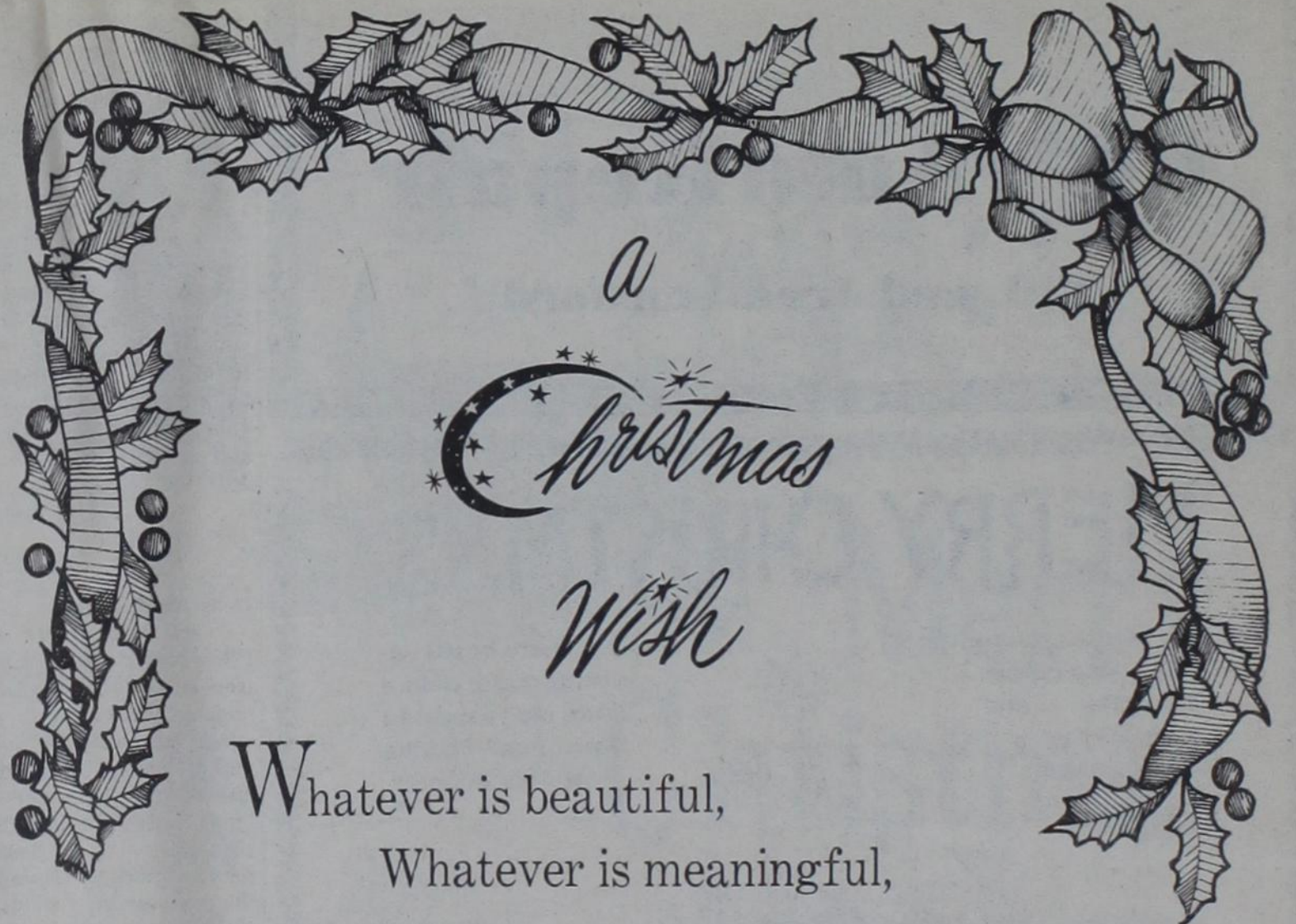


Here's an old-fashioned kind of Merry Christmas full of heart-felt wishes for you to share, in the good will of the season, with those you hold near and dear. And we also offer an old-fashioned "thank you" for the patronage and consideration you've shown us.

## FARMERS GRAIN CO.

DeWayne Brown, Mgr.

Hart, Texas



Whatever is beautiful,  
Whatever is meaningful,  
Whatever brings you joy and happiness,  
That's what we wish for you!  
Our profound thanks at Christmas

## TWO HUNDRED CHRISTMASSES AGO ...

General George Washington's ragged and decimated Continental Army was on the brink of dissolution; the cause was all but lost. Thomas Paine was calling for American resolve in "the times that try men's souls."

And resolve there was. Somehow our fledgling nation pulled through. Now, as our country's two hundredth birthday year draws to a close, we at Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative wish you a happy holiday season--and plenty of that American resolve. We'll all need it for the next century!

Merry Christmas from

Deaf Smith

HELPING TEXAS GROW!



## Farmers State Bank

Hart

938-2111



# Children's Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa,  
I do not want as many things  
this Christmas but I want roller

skates and a family tree house  
and a baton. I am happy that it  
is Christmas. I hope you drive

carefully and do not forget your  
hat or your head will get cold.  
Jan Nelson

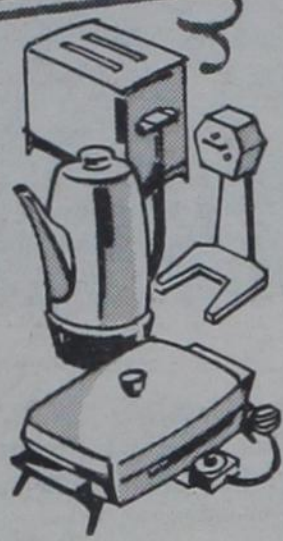
Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a doll and  
doll bed.  
Alma

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a bike.  
Ben Moreno



## GRIMMINGS

Santa's helping  
us wrap up Christmas  
wishes to all our  
friends and  
neighbors, plus our  
appreciation, too.



### Sears

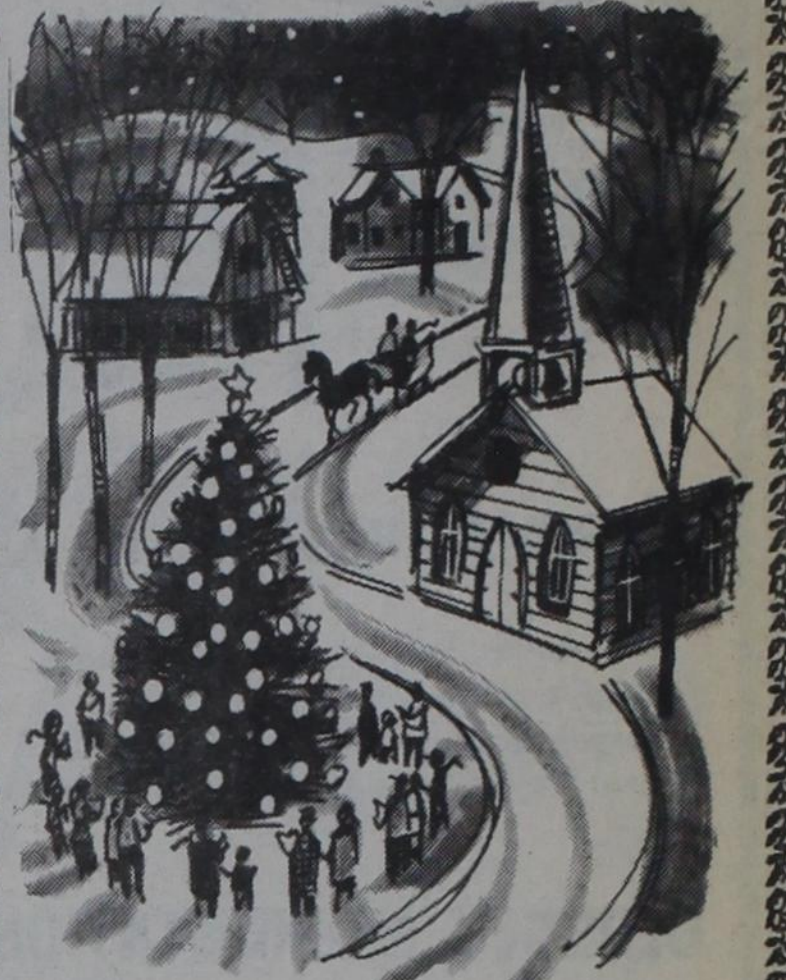
Authorized  
CATALOG SALES  
MERCHANT

Mr. & Mrs.  
Tom Person

Clara Patton  
Donna Newton



JOSEPH, JESUS AND MARY RETURNED FROM EGYPT  
... After Herod's death



### Christmas Joy!

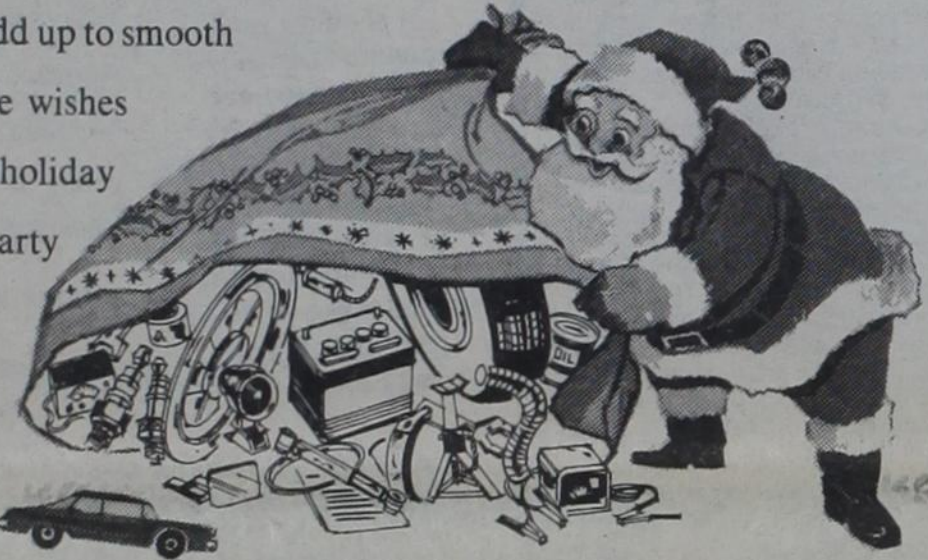
Everyone! Join in the spirit of  
a very Happy Holiday with friends, family.  
For the pleasure of serving  
you, our heartfelt gratitude.

## BEHREND'S INSURANCE AGENCY

Bill or Wanda

## MERRY CHRISTMAS to ALL!

Little parts add up to smooth  
driving. Little wishes  
add up to big holiday  
greetings. Hearty  
thanks to all.



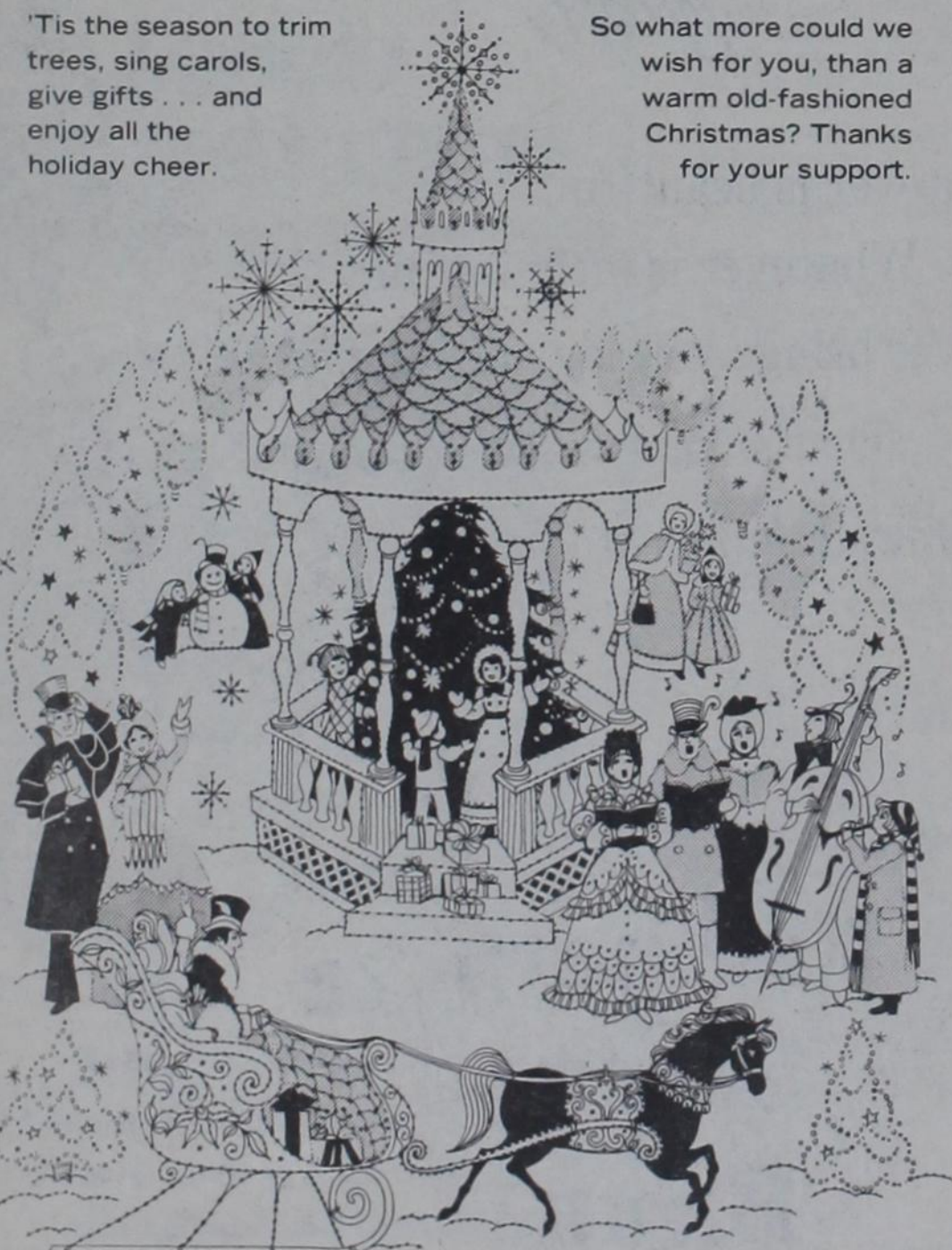
## CB's Auto Repair

C.B. and Jean Lunsford

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

'Tis the season to trim  
trees, sing carols,  
give gifts . . . and  
enjoy all the  
holiday cheer.

So what more could we  
wish for you, than a  
warm old-fashioned  
Christmas? Thanks  
for your support.



## CHEM-TEX FARM SUPPLY

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you and Mrs. Santa  
Claus? All I want for Christmas  
is a Baby-That-Away, a trampoline,  
t.v., Baby Alive, easy  
bake over, a real dog, bike,  
baby carriage, cash register,  
clock, Barbie doll house, bring  
my mother something too. I  
want you to bring her a necklace,  
ring, a new dress - a  
pink one. I want you to bring  
my father something, too. I  
want you to bring him a new  
suit - a blue one. Bring my  
sister and brother something  
too. I want you to drive carefully.  
O.K.?  
Mary Ortiz

Dear Santa Claus,  
We miss you. I hope you can  
come see us on the Christmas  
holidays. I want you to know  
that I am fine. I want to know  
if you are fine. I want you to let  
the children in my class know I  
like them. I want you to get us  
a little doll for the girls and me  
and get a little truck for the  
boys too. Thank you.  
Mary Ann Carrillo

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am eight years old. For  
Christmas I want a Christmas  
tree all decorated with lights,  
and a three speed training  
wheel bicycle and a hola hoop  
and a Don't cry baby doll that  
lets out real tears and can eat  
food. Santa I love you. And for  
a surprise I might have a gift  
for you. Since you have to be in  
the cold weather I will have you  
some hot chocolate waiting on  
the kitchen table.  
Latrina

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a .22 Rifle, a chemistry  
set, a Star Trek Utility Belt  
and a Freedom Frontier Pistol.  
Nelson

### New touches bring color to Christmas table

Every day can be a holiday  
through the Christmas  
season. A little imagination  
goes a long way in keeping  
your family full of that  
festive spirit.

Sprinkle a touch of  
candied fruit into hot oatmeal  
for a breakfast treat.

Give your favorite fruit  
salad that holiday look with  
a sprinkle of pomegranate  
seeds.

Cut bells from slices of  
canned cranberry sauce  
when serving.

Candy canes make flavorful  
stirrers in cups of hot  
cocoa or tea.

Year-round favorite  
casseroles have a holiday look  
topped with a cheese star.

Place a waxed paper stencil  
of a Christmas tree over  
a bowl of potatoes or rice  
. . . sprinkle with chopped  
parsley . . . remove stencil.

Pimento poinsettias make  
colorful garnishes on any  
one of many dishes or  
bordering a filled platter.

Addressing a long list of  
Christmas cards can really  
be fun! Gather the family  
around the table and keep  
them happily at work with  
cookies and hot fruit punch!

Ever try pancakes poured  
onto the griddle in Christmas  
tree shapes? It takes a  
steady hand and concentration,  
but think how they'll  
delight your family.

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you? I want a typewriter  
for Christmas. You will  
have fun down here Santa. You  
will see the moon and my  
home. Will you see me, Santa?  
Norma K. Mayes

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please  
bring me a plastic luggage,  
rub-a-dub doll with a shower,  
cooking set, holly hobby purse.  
Shannon Phillips

## Merry Christmas



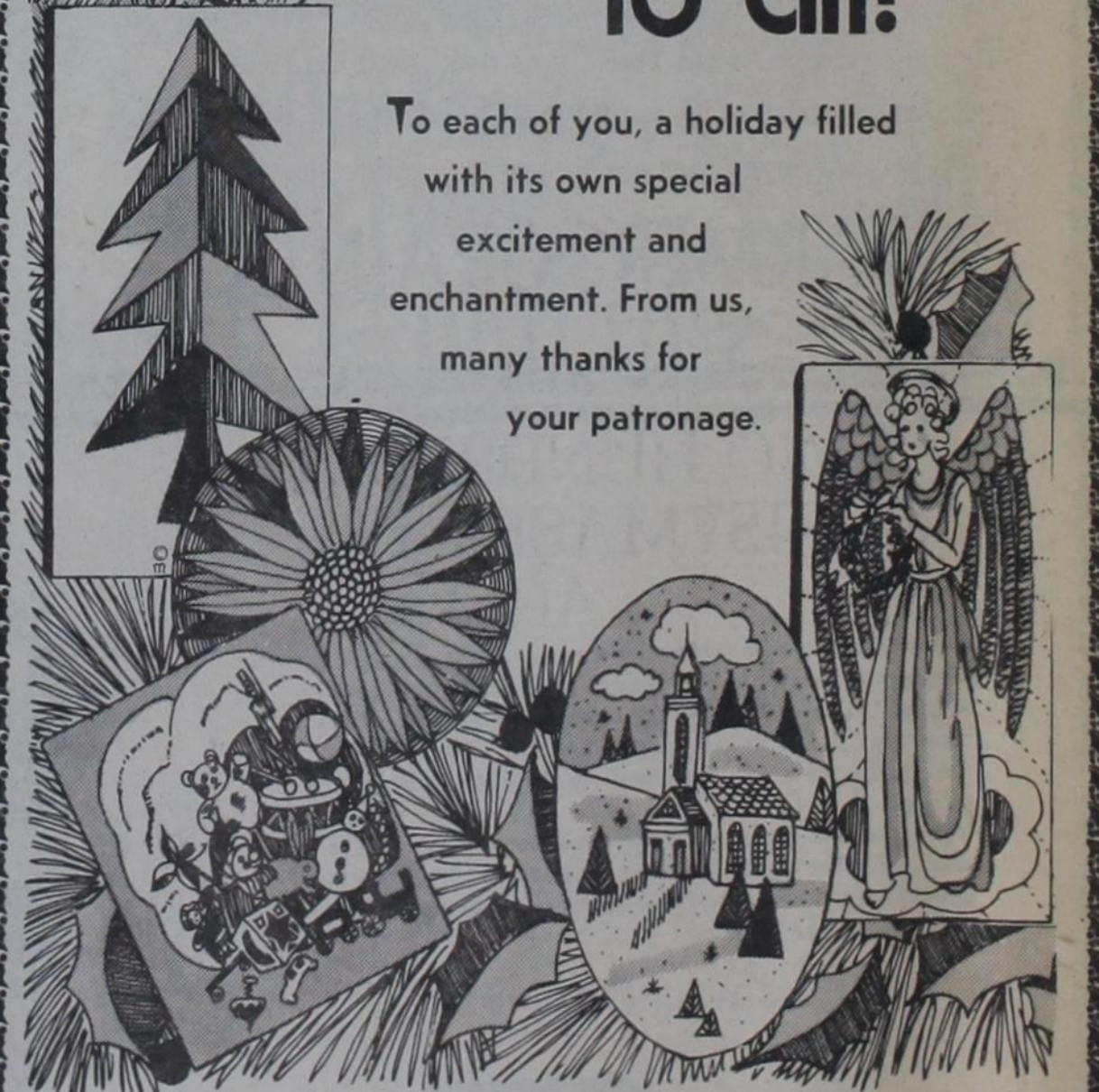
Wishing you a holiday crammed full of  
the treasures and delights of a  
wonderful Yuletide! To you and yours,  
Merry Christmas.

RIVERSIDE CHEMICAL CO.  
Dimmitt & Nazareth



## Merry Christmas to all!

To each of you, a holiday filled  
with its own special  
excitement and  
enchantment. From us,  
many thanks for  
your patronage.



## Dimmitt Ready Mix

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a doll.  
Ruth Ornelas

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a doll.  
Marisa Oltivero



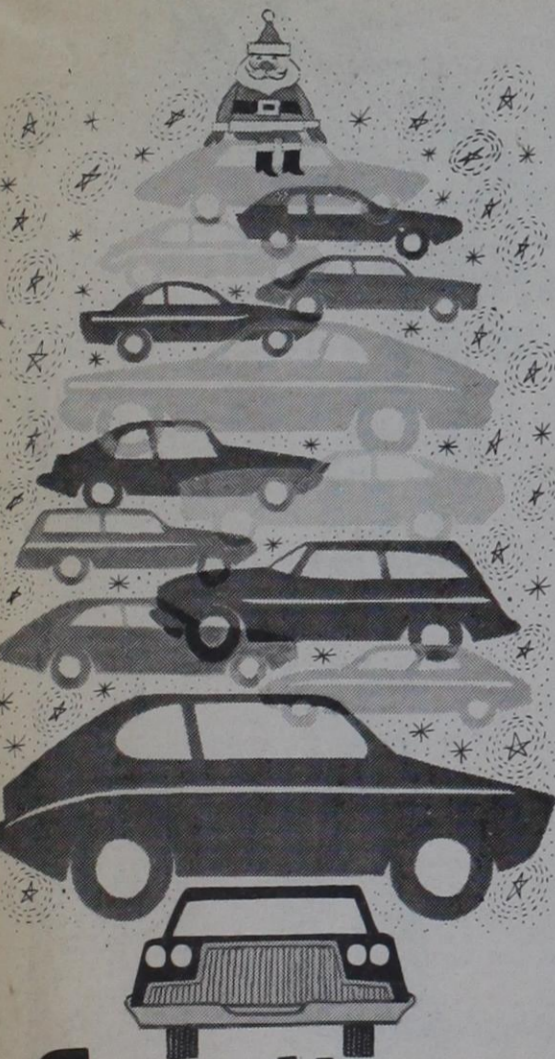
We're happy to be of service to you all the year round, and happy to extend good wishes for your happiness and joy this festive season.

### DIMMITT CAR WASH



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

### WRIGHT'S AUTO CENTER



### Greetings

"Merry Motoring" this holiday season. "Thanks" for letting us service your car's needs.

### EARL'S GARAGE



## Children's Letters to Santa Claus



MOTHER AND CHILD FLEE FROM HEROD'S SOLDIERS ... Because of the order to kill all male children two and under

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Bicycle with shock absorbers, walkie talkies, and a basketball. I would like for you to bring my brothers something too. I will leave you some coke on the fireplace. I have tried to Be Good.  
Blaine Ross Gregory

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. I would like a doll in a trunk, stove, radio, sweeper set, nurse kit, and the Sunshine family. I will leave you some candy and a coke on the table. Thank you very much for last year's things.  
Love always,  
Tammy Leatherwood

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year. I would like for you to bring me Jaws and a guitar. Please don't forget other boys and girls. Bring some toys to my Big brother too. I love you. Thank you.  
Gilbert Pina  
P.S. I am six years old

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a bike for Christmas and a Barbie Doll.  
Lisa Garcia

Dir Santa Clos,  
On Christmas I want a doll.  
Kristin

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a doll. Love,  
Angela Handley

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a bicycle and a cry baby and a Hush little baby and a magic trick, perfume, neckless and a ring and a green machine.  
Love,  
Kristi Petty

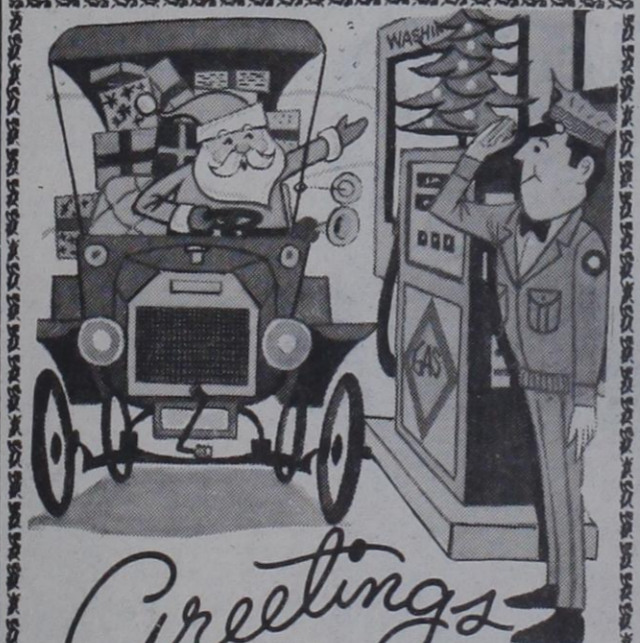
Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a doll.  
Love,  
Adelia Ortega

### Christmas Menu - Circa 1897

In their December, 1897 issue, Ladies Home Journal suggested the following menu for a traditional Christmas dinner:

- Oysters on the Half Shell
- Clear Soup
- Custard and Spinach Blocks
- Deviled Spaghetti
- Roast Turkey - Chestnut Dressing
- Sweet Potato Croquettes
- Peas in Turnip Cups
- Ginger Sherbet
- Lettuce Salad Cheese Balls
- Toasted Crackers
- Plum Pudding - Hard Sauce
- Coffee Bonbons

Quite a dinner to polish off! And crammed full of those beautiful and hip hugging calories!



Greetings  
Santa's coming along spreading lots of holiday cheer. And, he's delivering special thanks to our nice friends.  
DIMMITT BELL STATION

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I am fine. What are you going to bring me? I want a minibike for Christmas. My bother wants a truck.  
Junior

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Baby That Away, a bean bag chair and a thing called a Barbie escalator. How are you doing, Santa Claus? I like you. Will you bring chocolate Santas?  
Judy Nelson

Dear Santa Claus,  
How have you been? I have been waiting for Christmas. I am getting a lot of things for Christmas. I have been wanting roller skates, a baton, a family tree house and a play dough set. When you come to bring our toys on Christmas night, I wish you would keep your coat buttoned so you won't catch a cold.  
Jill Nelson

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please bring me a green machine. I love you.  
Joe Dan Yokum

Dear Santa,  
Do not Forget the Children in Miss Sheffy room and I want a drume. Thank you.  
Mark Standlee

## GREETINGS

### at Christmas

Here comes Santa toting good wishes from us to you. For a season rich in happiness. To patrons... our jolly thank you.



### WHITE AUTO STORE

Danny Vermillion, Jerry Schinkus, Larry Allison, Lenore Guardiola



## Merry Christmas

Christmas! The very word awakens a host of happy expectations, with its promise of gifts and gladness, greetings and treatings. Enjoy it to the full, good friends. We thank you, warmly.

### Harry's Spraying Service

WE WISH YOU ALL A VERY...

**MERRY**  
**CHRISTMAS**

***DIMMITT***  
***FEED***  
***YARDS***





# The Castro County News

Dimmitt—an American Bicentennial Community!

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## Goodpasture, city agree on contract

The City of Dimmitt and Goodpasture, Inc., agreed Monday night on terms of a contract authorizing the fertilizer plant to discharge its waste water into the city sewerage system.

THE CITY set 19.26 cents per 1,000 gallons as the handling fee for processing the waste water through its sewerage plant. Goodpasture Plant Manager Pete Stewart said the fertilizer plant discharges a maximum uniform flow of 4,500 gallons per hour. At this rate, Goodpasture would pay the city \$20,908 per 24-hour period, or more than \$7,000 per year.

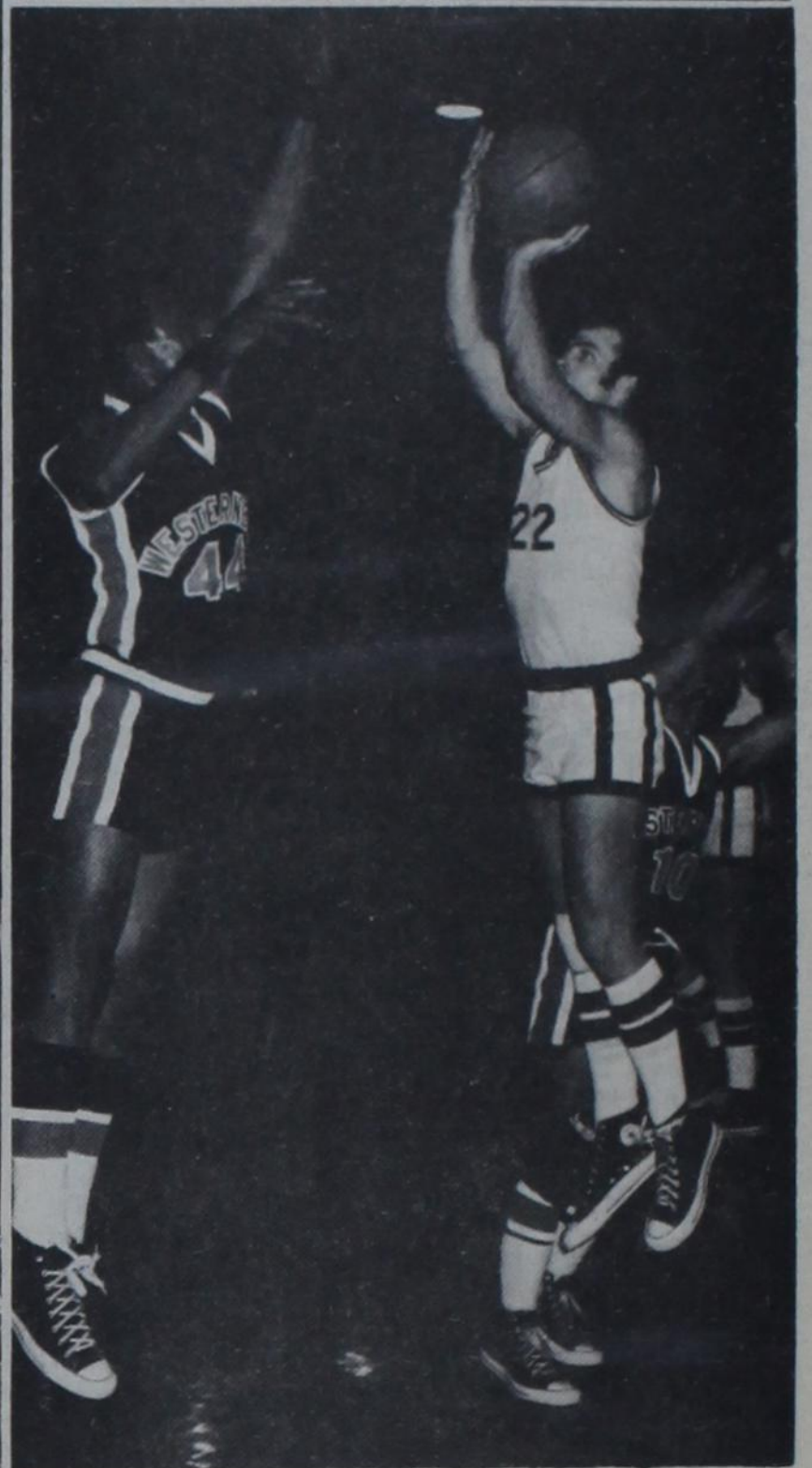
Under terms of the contract, the Goodpasture plant is to "emit only waste water and waste products which, after treatment by the Dimmitt sewer plant, shall be suitable for irrigation purposes on agricultural land . . . and shall comply with the Texas State Department of Health and Texas Water Quality Control Board rules and regulations . . ."

After being processed by the city sewer system, the Goodpasture waste water will go into the city's playa lake north of the sewage plant, and will be used by neighboring landowners to irrigate crops. The neighboring farmers, along with city and Soil Conservation Service officials, agreed that the Goodpasture water would not harm agricultural land, and in fact would probably be beneficial because of its nutritive trace elements.

HOWEVER, the contract specifies that if any future waste water from the plant is not compatible and treatable, "then the City of Dimmitt shall have the right, at its option, to not accept such waste water or waste products until same is made treatable and compatible by Goodpasture, Inc."

Stewart said that the plant's waste water will be discharged into holding ponds before being pumped into the city sewerage system, and that Goodpasture personnel will run chemical

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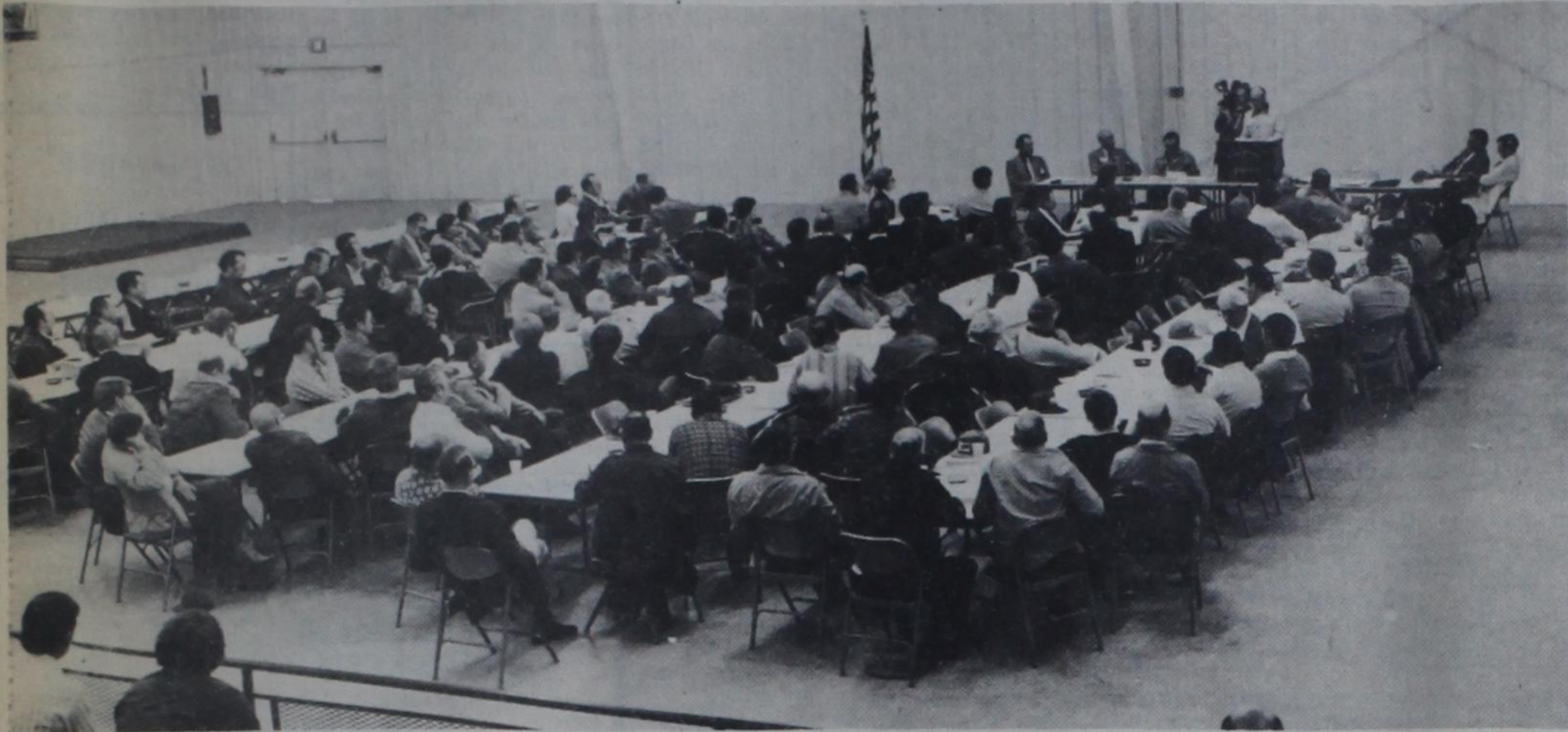


UH-OH!—Dimmitt guard Brad Glenn goes up for a shot only to be met in mid-air by Lubbock's towering Craig Mitchell in the fourth quarter of Friday night's bout between the Bobcats and Westerners here. Mitchell blocked this shot, but moments later Glenn swished a basket to put the Bobcats back into the lead. Dimmitt won the high-pressure contest, 45-42. It was the first game ever between the two schools. [Photo by Mark Oldham]

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TEXAS CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION hears a report from president Carl King at the fifth annual meeting last Wednesday in the County Expo Building.

Officers were elected and several resolutions were passed by the 130 members present.

## Corn Growers propose solutions

Members of the Texas Corn Growers Association, at their fifth annual meeting here last Wednesday, re-elected their 1976 officers and passed resolutions dealing with natural gas rates, import quotas, loan rates and property taxes.

CARL KING was re-elected president by acclamation for another year. Vice-President Glenn Odom and Secretary-Treasurer Barry Love were also returned to their posts by acclamation.

The 130 members present passed a resolution in favor of eliminating or strictly limiting

the 100 percent pass-through on natural gas cost to irrigation gas users, and specified that copies of the resolution be sent to Gov. Dolph Briscoe and Speaker of the Texas House Bill Clayton.

John Aikin of Hereford, lawyer for the Plains Gas Users Association, warned farmers to concern themselves with pass-through costs and the possibility that natural gas may be placed under the regulation of the Public Utility Commission in Texas.

Gas companies "will sell to farmers as long as it is profitable," he reminded, "and when it becomes more profitable to sell to someone else, that's what they will do."

THE CORN Growers also came out in favor of stricter enforcement of import quotas on meat, adding that this should be placed under jurisdiction of the Secretary of Agriculture. Meat quotas affect the livestock feeding industry, an important user of corn.

A resolution was passed asking that the Commodity Credit Corporation set the loan rate on

corn at not less than 90 percent of the current average cost of production, including production costs and land costs.

The resolution also asked that the target price be set at not less than 105 percent of the average true cost of production.

It was also recommended that the Secretary of Agriculture be allowed to control acreage if necessary to avoid a price-depressing surplus, by allotment or percentage deferral, encouraging soil conservation practices on the deferred acreage.

THE TCGA resolved in favor of having all tax valuations on agricultural land based on the net worth of the land after all costs are excluded.

King called for "a decent farm bill" from the federal government in his address to the association.

"With target prices currently far too low, an excellent corn

yield is still not profitable," he said, citing present production expenses of more than \$327 an acre on land owned by the grower, or over \$447 an acre on land rented by the grower.

"MOST CORN growers want to produce for the market rather than for government storage, and I think farmers should consider a voluntary cutback in acreage to avoid serious problems with surpluses," King said. He added that there are hopes for a check-off program after the legislature convenes, and said the check-offs would provide financing for needed research.

"Membership dues are fine, but we need some research money," he added.

Love gave a report on efforts at orderly marketing, which have been stopped by a Federal Trade Commission opinion that farmers may not band together to restrict acreage and so force

prices up.

"The FTC also declared that our efforts to encourage marketing of grain throughout the year, rather than just at harvest time, are frowned upon. I don't understand how labor unions can withhold their services until they obtain the wages they want, yet it is a violation for the farmer to do the same thing," Love said.

THE BUSINESS session ended at noon. After a lunch provided by the local elevators was served by Town and Country Home Demonstration Club members, an afternoon program on corn cultivation, insects and diseases, irrigation and marketing was presented by specialists from the Extension Service.

Charles Hottel, Castro County Extension Agent, introduced the speakers.

Dr. Robert Berry, area plant pathologist, said corn under irrigation in the High Plains increased from 400,000 acres in 1974 to almost a million acres the next year, with the greatest concentration in Castro and adjoining counties.

Corn diseases in the area were not important until 1975, when head smut caused heavy losses. Research began at once and 70 hybrid corn entries from various seed companies were evaluated this year.

Solution of the problem appears possible by growing resistant hybrids, Dr. Berry reported. He insisted that the

[See Corn Growers, Page 15B]

### Winter begins!

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

	Hi	Lo
Thursday	54	19
Friday	62	20
Saturday	64	22
Sunday	64	29
Monday	53	16
Tuesday	44	13
Wednesday	49	17
December Moisture	0	
1976 Moisture	12.66	

KDHN RADIO  
US Weather Observer

### 'City girls' get headaches from delinquent taxpayers

'Tis the season to be jolly—unless you owe delinquent property taxes.

THE CITY launched its crackdown two months ago on taxes that were delinquent as of April 1975—and ever since then, the women in the city tax office have dreaded going to work.

"We've really caught a lot of flak over this," City Manager Garnett Holland told the city commission at a recent meeting. "If we had it to do over, I think we would do it differently—I would have sent an explanation letter ahead of time to give people a chance to come in and check their delinquent taxes."

"But the tax lawyers sent a nice letter to that effect," Commissioner J. R. Brown said.

"WELL, I thought it was a nice letter, too," Holland said, "but I've had some people tell me it was the tackiest letter they've ever received. Of course, some of the people coming in have been ready to

snap at anybody in sight over anything."

With \$52,377 in delinquent tax billings sent out, the city had collected \$9,500.54 as of Tuesday morning, City Administrative Supervisor Jo Hamilton reported.

The delinquent taxes total \$18,777 on personal property and \$33,600 on real property.

HOLLAND pleaded with those who are upset over their delinquent tax notices not to take out their anger on the women in the city office.

"I wish people coming in wouldn't give the girls in the office a hard time," he said. "They're just doing their jobs, and didn't have anything to do with levying the taxes or anything. They're getting headaches from it."

He added, "If anybody has anything to say about their delinquent taxes, they should say it to the tax attorneys, the city commissioners or the city manager."

### Mrs. Roberts' funeral held here Monday

Funeral services for Mrs. Madge Lee Roberts, 82, were conducted Monday afternoon in the First United Methodist Church. Rev. Marvin Roark, pastor, officiated. Burial in Castro Memorial Gardens was directed by Dennis Funeral Home.

MRS. ROBERTS, who had resided in Dimmitt since 1920, died Saturday afternoon. She was a native of Travis County, where she was born March 15, 1894. Her husband's death occurred in 1962.

Survivors are nieces and nephews including Ruby Bagwell of Dimmitt. Acting as pallbearers at the funeral were Doyle Underwood, Buster Morgan, Houston Lust, Fate Shannon of Hereford, Donald Gilbreath and Fred Bruegel Jr.

about dimmitt and castro county by b. m. n.

This is an age old greeting but it can, and does, mean as much now as it did the first time it was written or uttered. "Merry Christmas." The News families and all of the News staff extend Christmas greetings and best wishes for a happy holiday season to our readers, customers and friends.

If I have failed to let everyone know that Viola and I appreciate their concern and interest during the time I was in the hospital, and since I have returned home, this will correct that oversight. The flowers, cards, prayers and words of encouragement were deeply appreciated. It is nice to know that people think of you when you are not feeling so good.

We are going to start a new year in just a few days, and unlike most years, it will also be the start of a new administration directing the affairs of our government. Whether we like it or not government policy has a big bearing on our daily lives so far as they are affected by economic conditions. Right now to attempt to predict what the economic situation in Castro County during the coming year will be like would be foolish. Everything seems to be very unstable and a lot will depend on how the ball bounces. If we are to have continued prosperity there must be some way to get the price of farm commodities up a notch or two and the cost of production lowered considerably. If anyone has a solution to this problem they can make a great contribution to the farmers and business in general in this area by revealing their secret.

President-elect Jimmy Carter has completed the selection of his cabinet. To what extent he depended on the recommendations of others, or his own judgment, may never be known, but apparently every appointment was the result of considerable study and investigation. We are in dire need of honesty, morality and dedication in those who direct the affairs of our government. Let's hope that those qualities will be provided by the new national administration and congress.

### Greetings fund totals \$1,652

Total contributions to the Community Christmas Card fund for 1976 amount to \$1,652.50, according to a preliminary count made at the First State Bank where the money has been collected.

NAMES OF those whose contributions reached the bank by Dec. 17 are listed on a Christmas greeting page in another section of this issue of the Castro County News, conveying holiday greetings to friends in this area.

Later contributors, who also wish friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year are Gary and Judy Park, Mr.

and Mrs. C. G. Miller; Jimmy and Mary, Mark and Susie Cluck; Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lust, the Clark Dobbs family, the John Gilbreath family, the Frank Wise family; Randall, Jenell, Rodney and Deidre Craig; Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Killingsworth, 6 Sides, Lena White and Lilla Mae Wright.

The Community Christmas Card is sponsored each year by the Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, to raise funds for needed equipment which the regular hospital budget does not allow.



Winning decoration

SANTA'S WORKSHOP AT 1012 OAK ST.—The Robert McLean home took first place honors in the Jaycee Christmas home decorating contest. The judging was held Sunday night.

### Past Christmases on Plains recalled

Nostalgia has its place during the Christmas season, and "Recollections of Christmas on the Plains" are pleasantly evoked in a display at the Rhoads Memorial Library, arranged by members of the Dimmitt Book Club.

OLD TOYS, story books and small household articles of bygone days are displayed with clippings from newspapers and magazines, in cases and on a replica of a "tree" used in the community church at Dimmitt in the early days.

Alice McLean Anthony remembers the tree, the first she can recall. It was a ladder "probably left when the church building was constructed," covered with cotton batting and festooned with strings of cranberries, popcorn and red-and-green paper chains.

The first baby-doll she ever received was on one of the high rungs of that ladder, Mrs. Anthony says in one of the brief typed notes that are part of the library display.

ANOTHER NOTE gives Myrtle Knox Sheffy's story of her first Christmas in Dimmitt, as a teenager, when she was embarrassed to receive a "pair of fancy ribboned garters, unwrapped," from the community tree. That year it was a big cedar "brought from the canyons."

Santa Claus always showed up at Christmas, B.M. Nelson recalls, except one year when his family was on a long trip in

a covered wagon, but "he found us later." Nelson and his brothers always hung up their long, black ribbed stockings and found them filled with goodies, fireworks and small gifts, such as a French harp or a top.

Dora Turner Johnson, who was born on the Plains in 1901, says the early Christmas programs were in the old school building, and the tree might be a bare tree limb covered with "lots of cotton" and hung with home-made decorations and the gifts.

The display is one of a series arranged in the library this year by Book Club members as a Bicentennial project.

### 4-H show date set Feb. 19

Date of the annual Castro County Project Show, where 4-H members will exhibit food and clothing projects, will be Feb. 19.

Beginning at 9 a.m., the show will be open to the public that day in the County Expo Building, according to Irene Keating, county Extension agent.

The project show will be held in conjunction with the annual Junior Fat Stock Show Feb. 17, 18 and 19.

# Spain and North Africa are on Holcombs' tour route

By MYRTLE SHEFFY

Ben and Dickie Holcomb are home from a week's tour of beautiful Spain and the not so pretty Tangiers. But they did find that part of Africa interesting. They crossed the bay by boat, then they saw the Casbah place. Watched the pretty belly dancers, ate good Arab food in Tangiers, had broiled sea gulls with a spicy sauce. They rode the camels, thought that was fun, not like riding in Ben's airplane. That part of Africa is not so clean, but they don't have much water. Back to Spain, where it is clean and pretty. They met people from Lubbock and Mississippi on this trip.

GINNY OR Mrs. Doug Lapsins was hostess with a luncheon and bridge in the afternoon at the Hereford Country Club last Tuesday. A gift exchange and much talk was enjoyed by members Brenda Andrews, who won high score, Betty Dennis, Darlene Dowell, Genevieve Craig, Dalia Gregory, Lucy Nelson and LaVon Reeve. Sam and Virginia Gilbreath came in from Sun City to spend the holidays at home and with the John Gilbreaths and boys and probably Zay, Charlotte and sons.

S. R. and Oneida Hutto were hosts at a pre-Christmas dinner Sunday for all the Hutto clan including the mother Mrs. W. A. Hutto from Littlefield. I didn't get all the names.

ONE OF the very nicest parties was the salad and turkey dinner with Texas pecan pie for dessert at Mildred and James Bradford's house Wednesday. The Betty Campbell Circle was hostess to the 34 ladies who are widows in my age group or much younger. Coming from South Hills Manor were Fannie Mahan, Leona Rothwell and Leona Stiles. Opal Thompson writes me that she and Hebert Welch of Levelland will be married in early January. Opal has a farm in the Flagg community and is

a former resident there and in Dimmitt. She has lived in Muleshoe and Lubbock. Mr. Welch has farm land in the Levelland area and they plan to make their home there. Opal has three daughters, June, Lelda and Andy Kay, and several grandchildren.

**JO KIRKPATRICK** and Betty Cartwright are recuperating from recent surgery they had done at Plainview.

The farmers are plowing the land, getting it ready to catch the winter snows and rain for next years crops. That's good!

South Hill Manor folks were hosts to a Christmas party Tuesday evening of last week. Santa Claus (represented by the jolly Jack Flynt) came bouncing through a side door calling greetings to everyone. A big decorated tree had gifts for all the residents and family members from all the area towns came to visit and have punch and coffee served by the Justices, helped by Walter Maynard, Delores Gilliland, Dorothy Musick and her husband Derrell helped. Carolyn Moke, the beauty operator at the home, helped with the gifts and nurses and aides too. Mrs. Adrian, head nurse, served my punch. The biggest crowd ever was out there.

**VISITING Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stubblefield III** and son Joe IV are Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hennigan, friends from Raton, N.M. Mrs. Jessie Garrison and the Tommy Rick family from Childress visited in the home of the Carl Bruegels to have an early family Christmas.

Floyd and Mary Jean Copeland are here from Denver to visit her mother Vera Webb and brother Allan and Peggy Webb.

**LARRY AND Sue Scoggins** and Letha and Jennifer of Midland were here recently for a visit with his mother Babe Scoggins and grandmother Lois

Bartlett. He visited his sister Cindy and Major Baker of Amarillo. Larry got in some pheasant hunting while here.

"Victory over Self Doubt" was the topic presented by Judge Boyd of Plainview one evening at the Ladies Night banquet with the Lions Club as hosts. The "Lady" told me the barbecue served by Ernie's place was delicious, and they all had fun at this annual Christmas party. Probably 35 were there.

**AND ANOTHER** pretty party was the Christmas dinner at the home of Goldman and Carole Dyer. The house was decorated with holiday arrangements. The Dyers served prime rib roast with oyster dressing. Bridge was the game played by Russel and Myrtle Lois Moran, Ted and Dorothy Sheffy, Hous-ton and Doris Lust, Ralph and Avis Smith, Harold and Shirley Stephens, Charles and Esta Vandiver, John and Sue Merritt and Aural Davis.

Another group of ladies decided to have their Christmas bridge and dinner at the Cupboard in Hale Center. Got there and the cook was ill so they went on to Lubbock and had dinner. A gift exchange and games at the Depot. Good food and fun by Betty Patterson, Mona Merritt, Dorothy Gilbreath, Ruth Jackson, Dorothy Mayfield, Ina Cleavinger, Jo Eddie Riley, Carolyn Jones, Shirley Wise, Joannis Robertson, Doris Lust and Polly Simpson.

Lois Scott (Mrs. Delbert) went to Tahoka one day to see Dorothy Draper and the Mr.

and little Susan Lynn. She is one month old and Lois says very pretty.

**WALLY AND Cindy Feldman** have moved to DeSmidt, S. Dak. Cindy writes us they have a farm with a two story house and barns. You know the Ailt Feldmans who lived on West Lee Street moved there also. Cindy's folks are Ruth and Ken Ringo, former Dimmitt teachers.

The Play "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" was well presented by the speech students of Don Blankenship Wednesday for the Senior Citizens and Sunday afternoon to everyone. The memory work was outstanding, also the acting by these cute kids. Thank you, Don, for asking us. You can read the names in last weeks paper.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Odom came up from Gainesville to visit her mother Quinn and stepdad Roy Dale Underwood and family and Donna Draper, another daughter, came from Lubbock Saturday.

Grace Rogers was a weekend guest of her daughter Sandra and Bill Potts and kids. Grace visits Aural Davis and Johnny Davis too (they are not kin folks).

**MR. AND MRS. Raymond Ragle** of Plainview were weekend guests of their daughter Patsy and Doyle Morris. And Patsy tells me she is doing much singing now. For instance, some friends flew her and Doyle to Perryton one day so she could sing for the Gorman Christmas party. Then last

Friday night they went to Dalhart where she sang for a group at the Country Club. She has had several engagements at the lovely Amarillo Country Club for parties. Patsy says those are dress up things, the men must wear ties and coats, the ladies in long skirts. (These song fests are not for free.)

Lloyd and Jamie Hamilton and baby Miguella of Odessa were weekend guests of her mother Ann and Don Ethington and Earline.

I received a nice gift from Robbie last Saturday, a box of six different type cheese balls to have at our Sunday afternoon coffee and eating time. So why don't you come over sometime?

**DICK REINHARDT** made a business trip to Sweetwater last week. I heard he has cows down there. Dick is one of those busy fellows.

Larry Driver, a medical student at San Antonio, came home for a holiday visit with his folks the Floy Drivers. He will spend a few days visiting his girl friend in Duncanville then come back here. Mr. Driver is in the wholesale gas business here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hudson of Earth were the honor guests at a golden wedding celebration Sunday, Dec. 19 at their home there. Their children were the hosts and hostesses. A beautiful table with cake and punch and coffee. Going from Dimmitt were Geneva Howe, Jo Gregory, Ward and Oleta Golden, Jim and Dorothy Elder, the Goodwin Millers, Jack and Murna Miller, Mrs. Clar-

ence Byrnes and Mrs. Taack. Comings and goings. Saw Jerome Durbin in town from Amarillo. He visits friends at Nazareth and Scott Crum who is in the hospital. And Ted Cox was having steaks with his brother Clint and Mae Cox. Grace Monzingo and friend Myrtle Howard of Memphis were shopping Dimmitt stores and visiting Grace's daughter Carol and Jerry Cluck and a brother Claude and Neva Hickey.

**BYRON AND Pat Roberts** had company last weekend, her brother and wife Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Benson from Andrews and a brother James Gibson was with them, but the Gibsons live in Dimmitt and he is football coach and freshman basketball coach. We need to get out and get acquainted with people.

I hear that a possible 227 ladies went out to the Christmas coffee at Mary Cluck's house Saturday morning. They see Mary's paintings, do much visiting. Coffee and cookies were served. I didn't get to go, but I don't miss many.

Our longtime friend Mrs. Kay Roberts, or Aunt Madge, passed away Saturday following a series of strokes. Our sympathy goes to the nieces and families, Ruby Bagwell and girls, Sue Boozer and Carolyn Sides and many out of town kin.

Mrs. Pat Murrell of Abilene is here for the holiday visit with her daughter Janet and Ken Justice and Jennifer and the new baby.

Mrs. Dr. Cogswell of Plainview and Sara Northern of Am-

arillo came for the coffee at Mary Cluck's.

**MR. AND MRS. Howard Hershey** went to Portales to the graduating service at ENMU to see their son H. M. Sweet receive his degree in business. This was Friday. Then after Sunday morning church service they left for San Angelo for a holiday visit with her daughter Mrs. and Mrs. H. N. Bloom and sons Richard and Jeffrey.

Millicent Davis and Sara Northern are home from a trip to the Hill Country. Sara on to Junction to visit Sue and Mac, friends, and Odessa to visit the Malones, former Dimmitt residents.

Sunday Edwin Ramey and son Bub of Amarillo and Decima Beene of Friona went to

Memphis for the memorial service for Myrtle Crabb. She was the manager of Dimmitt's telephone system for many years. Ocie Bolton tells us the gift and bake sale the Senior Citizens had Saturday was a success. Do help the ladies when you can. They want to pay for their building.

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**Sunday—**  
Bible Study..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship and Lord's Supper..... 10:50 a.m.  
Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.  
**Wednesday—**  
Bible Study..... 7:30 p.m.

**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
5th and Halsell  
Warren A. Benoit, Pastor  
Phone 647-2651

**Sunday—**  
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship..... 11:00 a.m.  
N.Y.P.S..... 6:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship..... 7:00 p.m.

**LA IGLESIA DE DIOS DEL PRIMOJENITO**  
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.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Western Circle Drive  
Rev. Ed Manning, Minister  
**Sunday—**  
Church School..... 10:00 a.m.  
Common Worship..... 11:00 a.m.

**SUNNYSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Raymond Jones, 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.

**LEE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Bobby Gordon, Pastor  
Phone 647-2300

**Sunday—**  
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship..... 11:00 a.m.  
Training Union..... 6:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship..... 7:00 p.m.  
**Wednesday—**  
Mid-Week Services..... 8:00 p.m.

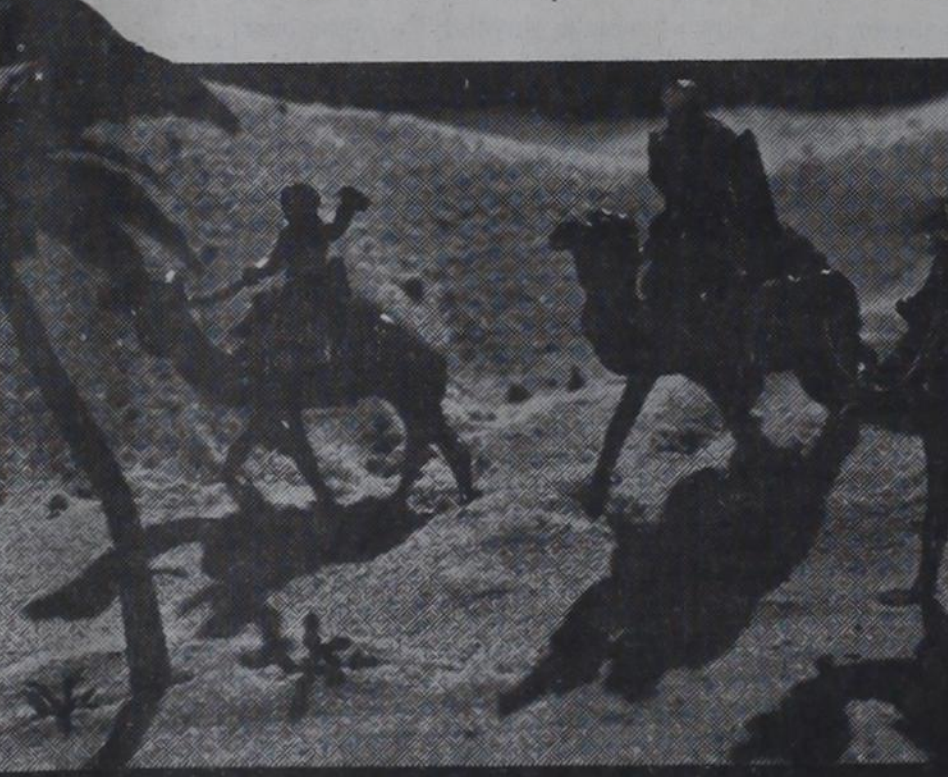
**CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY**  
Meeting in City Hall Community Room  
Donald Price, Pastor  
Phone 647-3403

**Sunday—**  
Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship..... 11:00 a.m.  
Children's Church..... 5:30 p.m.  
Evangelist Service..... 6:00 p.m.

# They had a STAR

"Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judæa in the days of Herod the King, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east and are come to worship him."

Yes, they had a star... Today we have churches to guide us to our Saviour. Come worship the Lord in his house.



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.

Coleman Adv. Serv.



**IGLESIA DE CRISTO**  
E. Lee and S.E. Third  
Evangelists — Miguel Zuniga  
**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.

**PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA MEXICANA**  
300 N.E. 7th  
Pastor Van E. Hughes  
Secretaria Sara Salinas  
Tesorero Gabriel Montiel  
**Domingo:**  
Estudios Biblicos.... 10:00 a.m.  
El Sermon..... 11:00 a.m.  
**Miercoles:**  
Instruccion Biblica.... 8:00 p.m.  
**BIENVENIDOS A TODOS!**

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
1201 Western Circle Drive  
Rev. John Street, Pastor  
**Sunday—**  
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship..... 11:00 a.m.  
Training Union..... 6:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship..... 7:00 p.m.  
**Wednesday—**  
Prayer Meeting..... 7:30 p.m.  
Choir Rehearsal..... 8:10 p.m.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Marvin Roark, Pastor  
Jim Massey, Music & Education  
110 S.W. Third  
Phone 647-4106 or 647-4107  
**Sunday—**  
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship..... 10:45 a.m.  
M.Y.F., Jr. Hi & Sr. Hi. 5:30 p.m.  
Evening Worship..... 6:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday—**  
General Meeting, W.S.C.S..... 9:30 a.m.  
Choir..... 7:30 p.m.

**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.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST (Northside)**  
Third and Halsell Streets  
Leonard Tittle, Minister  
Phone 647-5284  
**Sunday—**  
Bible Study..... 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship..... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.  
**Wednesday—**  
Ladies Class..... 2:00 p.m.  
Mid-Week Service.... 8:00 p.m.

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Rev. Raphael Chen, Pastor  
1001 W. Halsell — Ph. 647-4219  
**Sunday—**  
Mass in English..... 7:00 a.m.  
Mass in Spanish..... 10:30 a.m.  
Religion Classes..... 9:30 a.m.  
**Monday, Tuesday & Saturday—**  
Mass..... 7:00 a.m.  
**Holy Days—**  
Mass in English..... 7:00 a.m.  
Mass in Spanish..... 8:00 p.m.  
**Confessions—**  
Friday..... 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.  
Baptism by Appointment

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
S.W. 4th at Bedford  
Viggo Ulrich, Minister  
**Sunday—**  
Bible Study..... 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship..... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.  
**Wednesday—**  
Bible Class for all.... 7:30 p.m.  
**NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Rev. James Alexander, 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.

**MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH**  
412 North East Street  
**Sunday—**  
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship..... 11:00 a.m.  
Training Union..... 6:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship..... 7:00 p.m.  
Monday W.M.U..... 4:30 p.m.  
Tuesday Brotherhood. 7:55 p.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Meeting.... 7:30 p.m.  
Sanctuary Choir..... Friday

## County report reveals one traffic death

The Texas Highway Patrol investigated 21 accidents on rural highways in Castro County during the month of November, according to Sgt. J. R. Smith, Highway Patrol supervisor of this area.

THESE crashes resulted in one persons killed and nine persons injured.

The rural traffic accident summary for this county during the first 11 months of 1976 shows a total of 97 accidents resulting in three persons killed and 39 persons injured.

The rural traffic accident summary for the 60 counties of the Lubbock Department of Public Safety Region for November shows a total of 567 accidents resulting in 14 persons killed and 261 injured, as compared to November, 1975, with 530 accidents resulting in 14 persons killed and 258 persons injured. This was 37 more accidents, the same number killed, and three more injured in 1976 at the same period of time.

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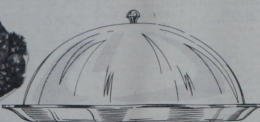
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Kraft 8 oz. pkg. **59<sup>c</sup>**  
**CREAM CHEESE**

5 oz. Glass **55<sup>c</sup>**  
**OLD ENGLISH CHEESE**

Kraft 4 oz. pkg. **89<sup>c</sup>**  
**BLUE CHEESE**

### Cheese Balls

- 24 oz. Philadelphia Cream Cheese
- 2 - 5 oz. Glass Old English Cheese
- 8 oz. pkg. Blue Cheese
- 1 Tablespoon Accent
- 1 Teaspoon Onion Salt
- 1 Tablespoon Worcestershire Sauce
- 3 Tablespoons Parsley Flakes

Mix First Six Ingredients. Make Oats A Ball And Roll In Parsley Flakes And Chopped Peas.

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Blue Cheese, Green Onion, Green Chili,  
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5 lb. bag **69<sup>c</sup>**  
**GOLD MEDAL FLOUR**

Hunts 29 oz. can **49<sup>c</sup>**  
**SPICED PEACHES**

Big-Tax 46 oz. can **2 for 89<sup>c</sup>**  
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### 14-CARD OF THANKS

**CARD OF THANKS**  
We would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone for the cards, flowers and other kindnesses shown us while Eddie was in the hospital. A special thanks for all the prayer services and to Dr. Lee and the hospital staff for their care.  
MR. & MRS. EDDIE MONTGOMERY AND FAMILY  
14-12-1tp

### CARD OF THANKS

The Eastern Star organization would like to thank all of its members who worked on the Girlstown gift drive. And our special thanks to the Women's Council of the First Christian Church, Parsons Drug, Dimmitt Super Market, Taylor & Sons Food, and Dr. W. J. Hill for their most generous donations to make Christmas a happy time for the girls at Girlstown.  
WANNIE STEVENS  
Chairman, OES  
14-12-1tc

### CARD OF THANKS

A big thank you to the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Department for answering the call to my home in Sunnyside Friday night. We do appreciate you very much. Thanks to Jimmy Waggoner for bringing his dry chemical extinguishers and to all our other friends and neighbors who came to help. Thank you so very much.  
LILLIAN CARSON  
RESA CARSON  
CARL DEAN CARSON  
TERRIE CARSON  
LEE & LOUISE BRADLEY  
GENE CARSON  
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"Thank you" is so inadequate to express our appreciation for each prayer, visit, card, flowers and food during my illness and stay in the hospital. A special thanks to Dr. Lee and the sweet nurses. May God bless each of you.  
Melvina & Arthur Oakley  
14-12-1tp

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### 10—WANTED, MISC.

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### 12—NOTICES

**NOT RESPONSIBLE** for any debts except my own. A. R. Powers, 718 Oak, Dimmitt, Tx. 79027. 12-12-1tp

### 13—LOST & FOUND

**STRAYED:** 4 steers from Clark Farm East of Dimmitt. Weight 375-380 lbs. Branded with a ♀ behind left shoulder. Tom Finley, 647-5506. 13-11-tfc

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## Reception given for Hudsons

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hudson of Earth, who resided in Dimmitt from 1929 to 1940, were honored with a reception at their home Sunday afternoon.

ACTUAL DATE of the anniversary was Tuesday. Blanche Morris and E. C. Hudson of Happy were married Dec. 21, 1926, in Plainview. Hudson was a Ford dealer in Dimmitt and Earth for more than a quarter-century and was instrumental in organizing the Citizens State Bank at Earth in 1951.

Hosts were the Hudsons' daughters and sons-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Smith of Plainview, Mr. and Mrs. Mervyn Cearley of Lovington, N.M. and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Byrnes of Clovis; and their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Hal H. Hudson of Lubbock.



FIVE GENERATIONS of a family at Nazareth were together recently when the oldest, 91-year-old Mrs. Flo Backus of Happy, right, and the youngest, 5-week-old Sabrina Pohlmeier and her mother, Mrs. Ralph Pohlmeier

of Yukon, Okla., were visitors in the home of Sabrina's grandmother, Mrs. Arnold Huseman, and great-grandmother, Helen Backus. They are pictured in order of age, from the baby to her great-great-grandmother.

## Six couples are Christmas hosts

The George Sides home on Clovis Road was bright with Christmas lights and decorations radiating from the big tree in the den, when six Bethel families were hosts with open house Monday.

HOST COUPLES with the Sides were Messrs. and Mmes. Charles Summers, Rex Lust, Monty Boozer, Charles Wales and Houston Lust.

Hundreds of friends called for a Merry Christmas visit. Punch and cakes were served in the dining room, while guests helped themselves to dips and pickup foods in the breakfast room and from trays of Christmas candies in the den.

Out-of-town visitors included Sides' parents and brothers who live near Lubbock.



ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED—Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hartman of Nazareth announce the engagement of their daughter, Celeste, to Victor Paul Rosier, son of Mrs. Betty Garcia of Tyler. The couple, both employees of Iowa Beef Processors at Amarillo, plan to make their home there after the marriage, which will be solemnized Jan. 8 in the Holy Family Catholic Church at Nazareth.

## Iota Zeta is hostess

The Iota Zeta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma had guests for its annual Christmas dinner Monday, and about 70 persons were entertained with a varied program.

DINNER MUSIC was by Kimberly Pegram and Janet Mooney, accompanied by Shirley Pegram. Doug Henry, choral music director in Dimmitt Schools, presented the High School Singers and Middle School Chorus in a concert featuring Christmas songs.

Russia, was pictured in slides with comment by Kelly Bagley and Cinde Sides, Dimmitt girls who made the tour last summer with a 4-H Club group. They ended their presentation by advising their hearers to "be thankful you live in the USA."

ALWAYS remove the pop-up temperature gauges found in many poultry products before carving because they contain lead which could contaminate meat if the gauge is severed.

A trip to Europe, including

## Small Talk

By SUE COLEMAN

Memories of past Christmas are often recalled at this season, and most of us can tell of memorable holiday dinners. There are two that I especially remember, with mixed emotions.

ONCE, away back, I was working for a paper in Eastern Oklahoma and trying to get home for a short holiday, riding bus lines that can only be described as 'jerkwater'. Running behind schedule, my bus finally got to Lone Wolf, Okla. at noon Christmas day.

Of the few business places in that little town, none was open but the filling station. Its only edible merchandise was a few packages of salted peanuts, and that was my Christmas dinner—a little stale.

But we did get to Wichita Falls in time to make a bus for home, and a good Christmas supper with my folks.

LATER, during World War II, my husband and I went from Odessa to Amarillo to visit relatives. It was noon when we got there, looking forward to a special dinner in a good cafe because we didn't want to go to the kinfolks' house without notice at mealtime.

We didn't know that wartime conditions had changed things and all cafes downtown and on the highways were closed tight.

HUNGRILY driving out to the relatives' house, well past the noon hour, we noticed a small cafe on West 6th Street, stopped in desperation and found that it was run by a Greek gentleman.

His name was the same as the owner of a cafe in my husband's former hometown and it turned out the two cafe owners were brothers and the Amarillo man once worked for his brother.

Pretty soon he and my husband were deep into "and do you remember old So-and-so?" and tales of oil-boom happenings. He served us a good turkey dinner and capped it by bringing out cups of eggnog, compliments of the house.

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## Socially Yours



MRS. WILLIAM MICHAEL URNICK ... The former Kathy Diana Beeks

## Vows are spoken by Dimmitt couple

Kathy Diana Beeks and William Michael Urnick were married in a candlelight ceremony at twilight Saturday in the Fourth and Bedford Church of Christ. Richard Rogers of the Sunset Church of Christ at Lubbock officiated.

THE BRIDE is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lonell Beeks of Dimmitt. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. John Urnick of Hyannis, Mass.

Pink candles and matching ribbon bows were set in green foliage to form a background for the wedding party. Pink bows and sprays of greenery marked pew ends down the center aisle.

Honor attendants were Rhonda Rogers and Frank Urnick, both of Lubbock. Sandy Johnson of Lubbock and Amanda Reed of Abilene were the bridesmaids, Terry Cartwright and Danny Welch the groomsmen.

THE BRIDE's gown of white quiana was fashioned with molded bodice, long fitted sleeves, cameo neckline and skirt with soft fullness. Her circular train fell from the shoulders in a cape effect.

Her tiered circular veil was held by a lace caplet. She wore a diamond butterfly necklace, a gift from the groom.

Bridal attendants were all dressed alike in wine velvet with long pink ribbon sashes.

After a honeymoon trip to San Francisco Mr. and Mrs. Urnick will be at home in Dimmitt. She is employed by the Lucky U Kindergarten and he is with Amstar Corp.

TO TRY and fail is at least to learn; to fail to try is to suffer the inestimable loss of what might have been. —Bernard

## Anniversary dinner set by Bagwells

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bagwell are inviting members of their family and friends to join them as they celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on Christmas Day.

A FAMILY dinner at 1 p.m. is planned at the Lamar Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt. The couple request that gifts not be presented.

## First Baptist guest pastors are announced

Two guest speakers who have been associated with the Dimmitt First Baptist Church in the past, will fill the pulpit for services Sunday.

REV. GEORGE Ray Jr., pastor of the First Baptist Church in Justin and son of a former pastor here, will speak at the morning service. His father, Rev. George Ray Sr., was the Dimmitt pastor from 1950 to 1957.

The visitor was a 1955 graduate of Dimmitt High School and later graduated from Hardin-Simmons University and Southwestern Seminary. He married Monette Kenmore, daughter of Mrs. Faye Kenmore of Dimmitt, in 1956 and they have three children.

He has held pastorates in New Jersey and Colorado.

The evening speaker will be Dr. George E. Worrell, director of academic evangelism in the Baptist General Convention of Texas and former pastor of First Baptist Church in Lamesa.

Mrs. Worrell is the former Betty Haberer, daughter of Mrs. Roy Haberer of Dimmitt. Dr. Worrell led the church here in a revival in August, 1974.

## Here are week's best food buys

"Outstanding pork values" are on many grocery shopping lists currently, Mrs. Gwendolyn Clyatt, consumer marketing information specialist reports.

"PORK specials at Texas grocery stores generally include Boston butt roasts and chops, quarter-loins cut into chops, loin end roasts, whole loins, steaks, neck bones and liver," she said.

Beef prices are about the same as last week—or slightly higher, with almost all markets featuring chuck cuts, sirloin steaks, rolled roasts and beef liver. Also consider economy prices now appearing on ground beef, round and T-bone steaks, she advised.

FRYER chickens have more reasonable prices due to limited demand for them and low prices on red meats, the specialist said.

"At dairy counters, a number of natural cheddar cheeses are specially priced—also milk, eggnog, whipping cream and yogurt.

Fresh fruits in best supply at the most economical prices include apples, oranges, grapefruit, tangerines, bananas, grapes and cranberries.

Vegetable economy buys at top quality are potatoes, bulk turnips, hard-shell squash, broccoli and cauliflower—along with sweet potatoes, cabbage, carrots, dry yellow onions and rutabagas.

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Ken Muldrow of Brownfield, president of Goodpasture, Inc.; Fred Ledlow of Montreal, Cyanamid of Canada president; and Don Ethington of Dimmitt, Goodpasture engineer who invented the fume abatement process.

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You may not have adequate insurance on your home and its contents, even if you increased the coverage under your homeowners policy last year. The reason is the sharp jump in home replacement costs which have been rising much faster than the rate of inflation.

OUR inflation rate is running about 4 1/2%. But the latest wholesale price index figure for November shows all building materials climbing 9.6% for the year. Soft plywood has jumped a spectacular 32% while softwood lumber is up 28.8%. Both of these woods are essential materials used in all residential building and repair.

Even if you have an inflation guard endorsement on your homeowners policy, you may not be covered on the skyrocketing construction costs. This kind of endorsement raises the face value of the policy 1% each quarter for a total of 12% over the three year life of

the policy. But during those thirty six months, at today's rates, replacement costs would rise nearly 30%.

If your coverage under a standard homeowners policy falls below 80% of the replacement value—as separate from the market value, all other coverage under the policy is reduced proportionately. So, it is vital that you insure your home to replacement cost. You can do this by having the house appraised by an independent appraiser or using a rule of thumb of current construction costs per square foot and applying that figure to the total square footage of your own house. You can also get a pretty fair idea of replacement cost by pricing new homes of comparable size and quality of construction as your house.

An inflation endorsement is available on your homeowners policy for about 3% more premium charge. This raises

**Canadian firm to use Goodpasture's process**

Goodpasture, Inc., this week announced the granting of a license for the use of the Goodpasture Fume Abatement Process to Cyanamid of Canada, Ltd., the third such license to be granted for use of this process.

THE PROCESS involves the removal of nitrogen oxides from flue gas, preventing pollution of the atmosphere to an extent that exceeds requirements of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Don Ethington of Dimmitt, engineer for the firm, is the inventor of the Goodpasture Fume Abatement Process.

The license to Cyanamid of Canada is the first multi-plant license granted for use of the process. Cyanamid plans to use it on seven of its plants at Welland, Ontario, near Niagara Falls.

Other licenses have been issued and are in use at the DF Industries' plant at Fremont, Neb., and Chevron Chemical Company's Richmond, Calif., plant.

ETHINGTON was in Brownfield for execution of the licensing agreement. Ken Muldrow, president of Goodpasture, Inc., and B. G. Boswell, executive vice-president, also represented the firm.

Fred Ledlow, president of Cyanamid with offices in Montreal, was accompanied to the meeting by T. Dean Smith of Clifton, N.J., president of the Plant Food Division of American Cyanamid, and his wife.

Ethington has been with Goodpasture, Inc., since 1951 and has worked in various capacities. He was project engineer and supervisor for the construction of Goodpasture's nitrogen complex at Dimmitt in 1970-71 and its enlargement in 1974.

FISH farmers from throughout Texas and the nation are invited to a National Water Quality Workshop Feb. 2 at the Braniff Place Hotel in New Orleans. The workshop is a part of the annual convention and trade show of the Catfish Farmers of America and the Commercial Fish Farmers' Showcase which will continue through Feb. 5.

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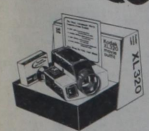
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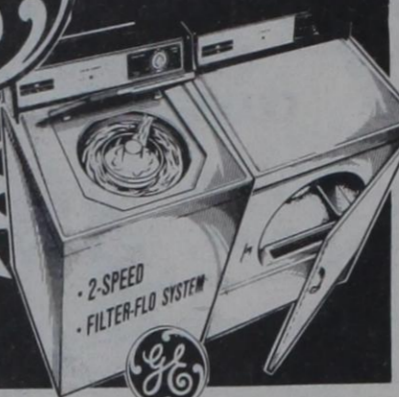
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# Training-Work Center report pictures busy students, friends

A progress report from the Dimmitt Satellite Training and Work Center is given by Norma Conard, teacher, with a review of past months' activities and expression of appreciation to residents who have helped in her work with the students. Her letter follows:

**Greetings to our friends:**  
At this time I am excited at the hopes of getting three students involved in a workshop setting. We are also making arrangements to enroll three new students with an aide for them, giving us an enrollment of nine.

In August we enjoyed a visit from Mr. and Mrs. Doyce Jouett and Tommie from Grand Prairie. One day we went treasure hunting on the Melvin Barton farm; the treasure we found was potatoes for our use.

Thanks to Ed Manning for sharing some nice vegetables gathered from the Austin Mobley farm. Mrs. A. F. Steffens gave us super-nice tomatoes.

Thank you, Mrs. Alonza and Sharon Sadler. We found good use for the nice clothing you gave us.

**WE ARE** working each day teaching the students to tell time. How excited we were to open a gift from Mrs. Joe M. Scott and see an electric clock. We are always glad to receive your old clocks for our students to take apart and learn from.

We'll guarantee you a very interesting week if you will follow our recipe for 7 pumpkin pies. Mrs. Wiley Feldman gave us a large pumpkin. Here's our method of using it:

Cut out the top, place pumpkin in the oven to bake until the skin peels off. Teach reading, writing and arithmetic while it bakes. When pumpkin is tender and cool, let students take out seeds, peel, cut in pieces and refrigerate two days.

Paint one room; you will know which is the wall and which is the students by the movements. Clean up moving parts.

**ANOTHER** day, bring pumpkin to a boil and let students take turns at pushing it through a sieve. Add as many eggs as students (each needs to learn to break an egg).

Collect available spices and get ready to awaken the sense of smell and awareness of measurements, each adding half a spoonful of spice and half a cup of milk.

Place in a dishpan, in the refrigerator for the weekend and go to the fair, enjoying the van friends have bought and keep up for you. Fill van with gas supplied for you by Chem-Tex and Carroll Webb. That's "spice" in life.

**MONDAY**, cook pumpkin, adding sugar to taste, more

spice and milk as needed. Roll out dough, fill crust and refrigerate a day while the teacher and aide, Nita Manning, attend an in-service training day in the Amarillo state center.

Back in school, ask students, "What degree must we bake our pies at?" Let them turn on oven, place pies in oven and bake till done. Cool, wrap in foil and place in deep-freeze. On Friday cook a meal and enjoy delicious pumpkin pie.

October was great with Cheryl Powell, Darla Smith, Beckie Oldham and Jane Ann Butler supplying refreshments and helping with the spook-aree-ee Halloween party.

Grace and Harriett Dunaway, Alvina Gerber, Ellen Steffens, Nita Manning and Kathy Upshaw (fantastic witch), Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Rodgers and boys gave their time to help. You are great!

**IN NOVEMBER** Bob West with Cook Book Co. followed instructions given by Carl Lee King to come by the school and let us get what we wanted off his truck. What a delightful surprise that was, and to Carl Lee King, "Thank you!"

We went to the Special Olympics in Canyon, bowling. Our hearts overflowed with joy at the sight of a big football player, down on his knees helping our students enjoy such an activity.

We wish many happy years of married life to Rhonda Welch, who has given many happy hours to us.

Clara Vick, representing Legal Secretaries, has invited us to a Christmas supper. We are really looking forward to this special occasion.

**WE ENJOYED** a visit from Hot Rod Granny, Wrenella and Hyde Robinson. They brought some sweet potatoes, a pumpkin and candy.

A big "Thank You!" to the Lions Club for your much-needed assistance with glasses.

Board members Emmett Broderson, Robert Benton, Elvon DeVaney, Don Nelson, Randall Craig, Ruth Hays, Jacques Sava and Rita Welch, I appreciate very much your continued support.

Nov. 24 Alton Walker and



DR. KENNETH PORTER of the Texas A&M Extension Service tells members of the Texas Corn Growers Association at their meeting last Wednesday about the work that is being done to combat pests and diseases which affect corn.

## David Reed ends training in Navy

Navy Fireman Apprentice David W. Reed, son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Reed of Dimmitt, has completed recruit training at the Naval Training Center,

Orlando, Fla. DURING the eight-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further ac-

ademic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic occupational fields. Among his subjects were seamanship, close order drill, Naval history and first aid.

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DEC. 24 — Weldon and Irene Bradley.  
DEC. 26 — Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Gressett.  
DEC. 28 — Fred and Bobbie Bruegel, Ronnie and Shirley Taylor, Charles and Ann Heck, Gregory and Billie Schacher.  
DEC. 29 — T. N. and Suzie Reeves.  
DEC. 30 — Albert and Rita Hartman.

Sue Buckner from the Amarillo State Center brought a volunteer services director from Austin to visit. I had the opportunity to give her a slight insight into the depth and quality of our active, busy people who bring happiness to us. I continue to be ever grateful for you.

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GIFTS GALORE were passed out to all the students of the Satellite school at their annual Christmas party Friday afternoon in the

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NAUGHTIEST BOY OF THE YEAR AWARD —Paul Gerber of the Satellite training and work school volunteered for the honor and received a package of cockle burs from Santa

Claus at the school's annual Christmas party Friday in the community room of the courthouse.

### Area farmer is reelected

K. B. Parish of Springlake was re-elected to the executive committee of the Agriculture Council of America during its annual membership meeting in Lake Buena Vista, Fla. Dec. 12-14. Parish represents the Texas Grain Sorghum Producers on the ACA Board of Directors.

"The Search for Specific Solutions" was the theme of the meeting where more than 150 people participated in programs and discussions geared to define how farmers and consumers can work together.

Bobby Smith, chairman of President-Elect Carter's Food and Agriculture Committee, outlined the need for better relations between farmers and

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ALL AVAILABLE DPS troopers will be on patrol throughout the holiday period in an effort to reduce, by both their presence and actions, violations that could lead to accidents.

But it is only through the help and cooperation of the motoring public through their self-compliance that the needed reduction can be realized.

Captain Russell stated, "Possibly the most prevalent accidents occurring this period will be the one car run-off-the-

roadway type accident which is directly attributable to driver inattention."

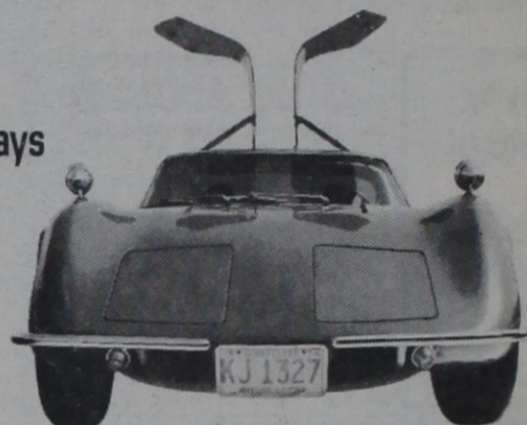
The captain suggested that adequate travel time be budgeted in holiday plans, stop frequently and rest, reduce speed for road conditions and above all, don't mix alcohol and driving.

"Feel free to request needed assistance from any DPS trooper during your holiday travels. Let's all do our part to reduce to zero all holiday traffic deaths," Captain Russell added.

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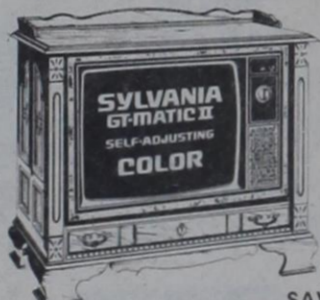
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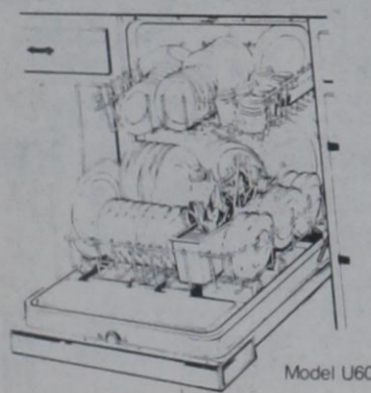
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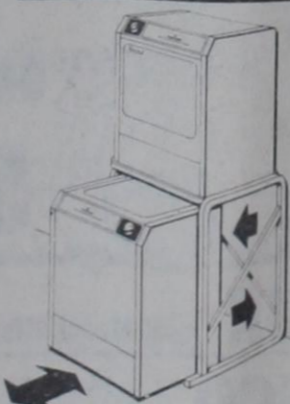
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## Results reported on corn disease study in county

Results are in from a corn disease demonstration study conducted in Castro County in 1976, and may become a source of optimism for disease-weary corn growers on the Texas High Plains.

COMPLETE details about the demonstration are revealed in a summary report released in Lubbock this month.

The demonstration conducted by Dr. Robert W. Berry, plant pathologist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, showed that most of the major corn diseases appearing on the

High Plains can be controlled with resistant hybrids.

"Irrigated corn production in the Texas High Plains has developed since 1963," Berry states in the 10-page document. "Production first started in the Castro, Parmer and Bailey County area and has spread to adjoining counties."

"THE GREATEST increase occurred from 1974 to 1975— from 400,000 acres to almost 1,000,000 acres. Production is found in all counties north of Lubbock, but the concentrated production area is in Castro

and adjacent counties.

"Corn growers have experienced very little loss to diseases before the 1975 season," he adds. "Diseases were occasionally observed but losses were negligible in rust, Maize Dwarf Mosaic Virus, common smut, stalk rot, and foliar diseases."

"In 1975, however, a new disease problem was discovered on the George Sides farm west of Dimmitt in Castro County. Corn head smut was infecting 30 percent of the plants, causing a severe loss of yield. A survey of corn fields in the area showed many with 10 percent loss and some with as high as 50 percent infected plants."

THIS WAS the first report of a natural epidemic of head smut on field corn. No information was available on which to base control recommendations.

Berry says 15 corn seed companies responded to his proposal to evaluate commercial hybrids for disease resistance on the Sides farm. These companies furnished 70 hybrid corn entries.

Among the results, Berry found the grain yields from the

demonstration test ranged from 41 to 223 bushels per acre, with an average yield of 146 bushels.

Incidence of head smut ranged from zero to over 61 percent, and stalk rot from 5 to 93 percent. MDMV disease occurred in up to 15 percent of the plants, and 66 hybrids were susceptible to rust. These and other facts are listed in the published report.

BERRY SAYS he found that many commercial hybrids are available with good yielding ability and resistance to head smut, MDMV and stalk rot.

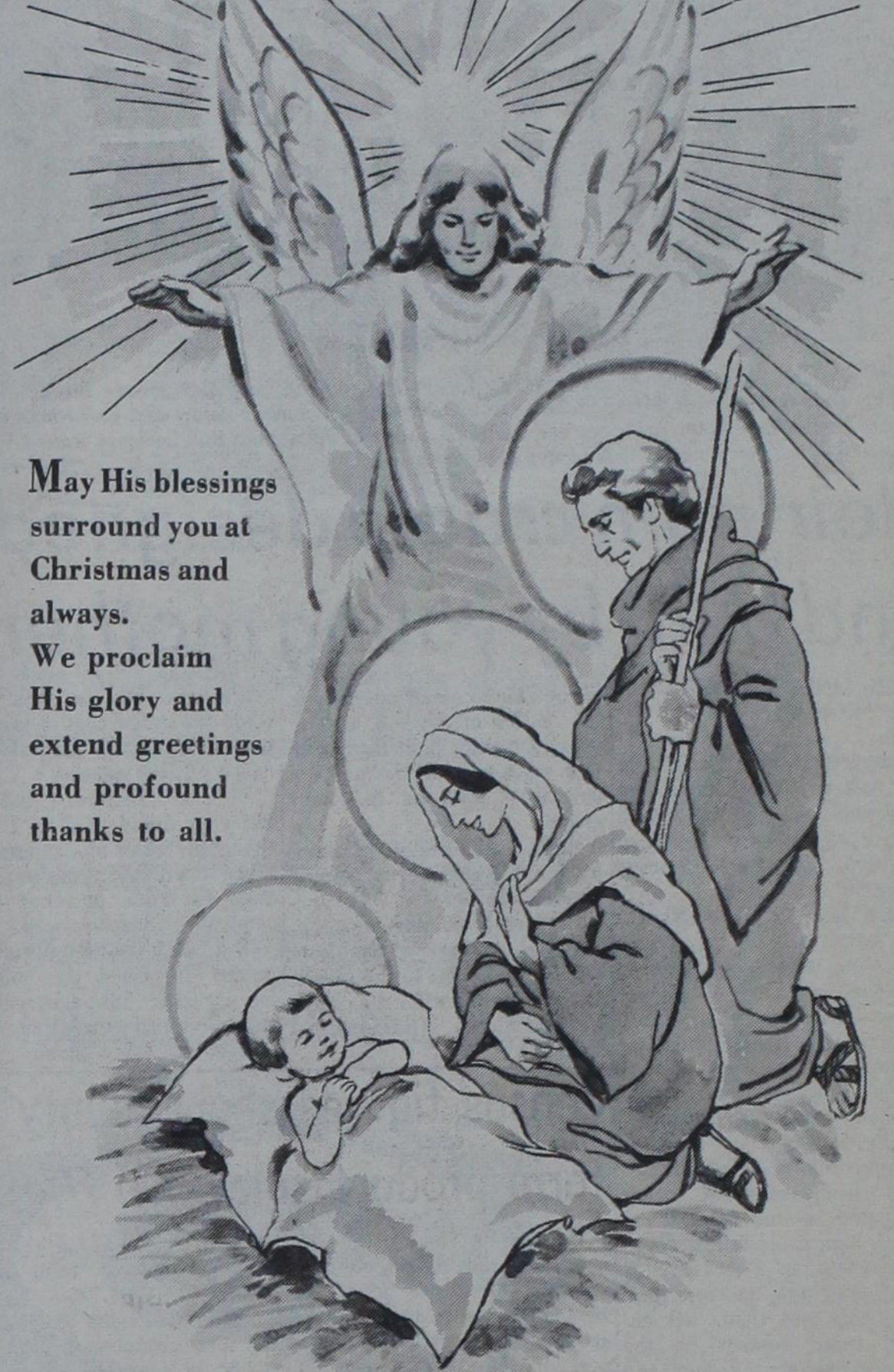
"Corn producers should know which diseases are causing losses in each field," he says. "There is no reason to abandon a perfectly good hybrid because it is susceptible to a particular disease until that disease appears in his field. Neither should a producer choose a hybrid resistant to one disease, ignoring its susceptibility to another equally serious disease."

The pathologist adds that another mistake is likely if a grower changes to a new hybrid just because it resists disease, but does reduce yield.

Berry's report is available free on request from a local county Extension agent's office or from the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Lubbock.

ECONOMICAL cuts of meat are less tender and require long, moist cooking. Marinades, wines and tomatoes aid in tenderizing these cuts of meat, advises Sally Coble, foods and nutrition specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

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## Mahon will be given high award

The James Forrestal Memorial Award Committee of the National Security Industrial Association announces that the award for 1976 will be conferred upon the Honorable George H. Mahon, Senior US Congressman from Texas and longtime chairman of the House Appropriations Committee and the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee.

THE JAMES FORRESTAL Memorial Award has been given annually since 1954 to 23 outstanding Americans whose leadership has promoted significant understanding and co-operation between industry and government in the interest of national security.

Among the distinguished past recipients have been Dwight David Eisenhower, President of the United States, 1954; Robert S. McNamara, Secretary of Defense, 1963; Richard B. Russell, United States Senator from Georgia, 1968; L. Mendel Rivers, Chairman, Armed Services Committee, US House of Representatives (Posthumously), 1970; James D. McDonnell, Chairman of the Board, McDonnell Douglas Corporation, 1972.

Throughout his 42 years in Congress (since 1934) and most notably in the past 12 years as Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, Congressman Mahon has rendered outstanding service to the nation.

His character and integrity, his steadfast leadership and wise counsel in the maintenance of adequate US military strength as an essential element of national security, and his recognition of the importance of an effective partnership between government and industry in support of national defense, eminently qualify him to take his place among the honored recipients of the award.

The award will be presented by the Association at a dinner to be held in the Sheraton-Park Hotel in Washington on March 24. A reception honoring Congressman Mahon will be held preceding the dinner.

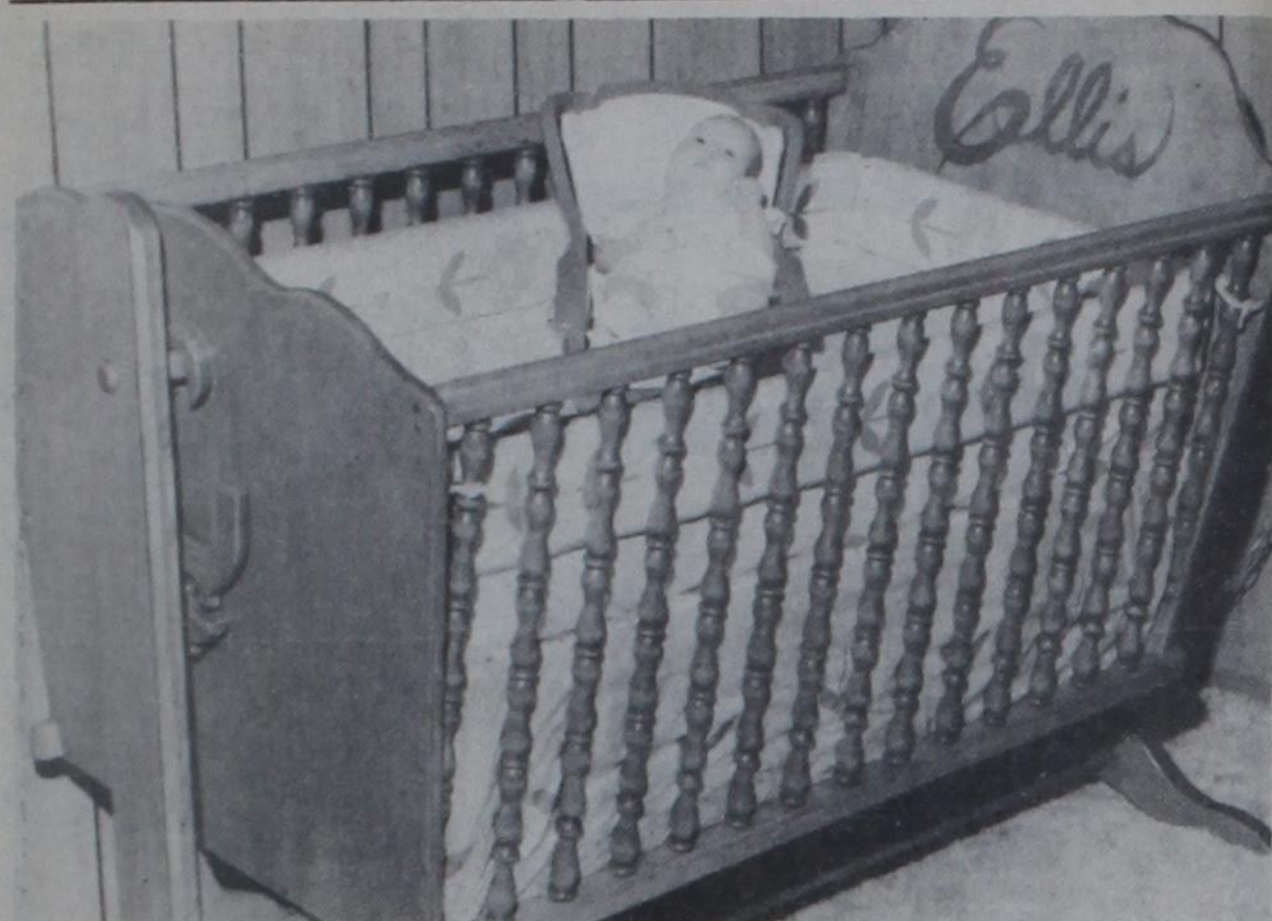


## Christmas Greetings

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**JULIE NICOLE**, shown here at two-and-a-half months old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ellis of Dodge City, Kan., tries out her cradle for size. Her mother reports "Julie loves to lie in the crib, because she can see through it." Before her mother completed construction of the crib, Julie slept in a bassinet loaned by a friend.

## Heirloom cradle designed and built by young mother

By LINDA MAXWELL  
News Staff Writer

It took Suzanne Ellis five and one half months to finish the crib-cradle she had envisioned in an April night's dream when she was about five months pregnant.

**THE BABY**, Julie Nicole, was born Aug. 18 in Dodge City, Kan. where her parents, Suzanne and Roy Ellis, are living. The maternal grandmother is Mrs. Aural Davis of Dimmitt.

The cradle, however, was not finished until early October. Totally designed and built by Suzanne, a former Dimmitt resident, it measures 62 inches from end to end, and is 58 inches high at its tallest point. "There's not a nail in it," the proud new mother said. "The only part that's not entirely from 'scratch' is the spindles used for the sides, and they had to be sanded, stained, sealed and varnished."

FIVE varieties of wood were used in the project. The head and foot boards are made of birch, top and bottom rails of maple, pine spindles, oak for the rocking dowel, and walnut veneer for the inscribed family name.

The drafting and interior design graduate of Texas Tech consulted a woodworking book, practiced on scrap pieces of wood, and had previously visited a shop class once, but she admits running into several problems.

"It was really a disaster when I forgot to tie my hair back and stray hairs clogged up my husband's electric drill and burned up the motor," Suzanne said. "The only fortunate thing about it was that I had just drilled the last hole."

When Suzanne found that the bed would not go through the bedroom door, she merely loped 1/4-inch off of each side of the head and foot boards.

REALIZING that she would-

n't be able to reach the baby at the bottom of the bed, the inventive mother built it up with four mattresses to be removed one at a time as the baby grows.

Right in the middle of staining the 30 spindles, her supply of stain ran out.

"It was a Sunday morning, but the manager of the local lumber yard came to the rescue and left some out for me on his way to church," Suzanne related.

She also had to strip and re-do one entire coat of varnish that didn't set up properly because of cold weather.

"I can't believe I did it. Roy's as proud of it as I am, though he was a bit skeptical at first. It will be a future heirloom for Julie and her descendants," Suzanne said.

The cradle and its designer-builder furnished the subject for a recent full-page feature story with pictures in the Dodge City Daily Globe.

## Census figures show county's farm product sales in 1974

The market value of all agricultural products sold by the 624 farms in Castro County in 1974 amounted to \$204,374,000 according to a preliminary report of the 1974 Census of Agriculture released today by the US Department of Commerce's Bureau of the Census.

**PRODUCTION** expenses on these farms totaled \$174,092,000 in 1974.

The figures are for farms qualifying under the definition first used for the 1959 Census of Agriculture: A farm includes all agricultural operations conducted at any time during the census year under the control of an individual management, provided that sales of agricultural products amounted to, or normally would amount to, at least \$250 for places of less than 10 acres or 50 for places of 10 acres or more.

Figures for farms with sales of \$2,500 or more are shown for 1974 and 1969. These farms accounted for \$204,346,000 of all agricultural products sold in 1974 and \$76,603,000 in 1969.

There were 596 of these farms in 1974 compared with 689 in 1969. The average size increased from 836 to 960 acres during the five years. The value per acre increased from

\$329 to \$414, raising the average value per farm from \$275,254 to \$397,723.

The market value of livestock and their products on farms of \$2,500 or more of sales was \$142,654,000 in 1974; poultry and their products, \$3,000; and crop sales, including nursery products, hay and forest products, \$61,689,000.

Farms reporting less than \$1,000 in sales numbered eight in 1974.

## AC's Hereford classes slated

Amarillo College spring registration for classes scheduled in Hereford will be conducted from 7 to 8 p.m. Jan. 4 in the cafeteria at the Hereford High School.

A LATE registration fee of \$5 will be charged after Jan. 11. There will be a \$2 library fee charged also.

Classes which begin Jan. 13 will be held one night a week Monday through Thursday evenings at the high school and Hereford Police Department.

Classes will be held in accounting, banking, English, government, history, law enforcement, math, psychology and real estate.

## One millionth 1976 cotton sample graded

The United States Department of Agriculture's Cotton Classing Offices at Lubbock, Brownfield, Lamesa and Levelland graded the one millionth sample of this year's crop last week, according to Paul R. Dickson, in charge of the Lubbock Cotton Classing Office.

About 579,000 of those samples were classed by the Lubbock Classing Office, he said.

The USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service reported cotton trading was moderate last week. Growers offered cotton in light to heavy volume.

Growers sold mixed lots of mostly grades 32, 33, and 43; staples 29 - 31; mikes 3.5 through 4.9 for 58.75 to 59.75 cents per pound, about 300 points lower than the week before.

Cotton prices finished the week in a firming trend, and demand was moderate, Dickson said.

Prices paid growers for cottonseed ranged from \$85 to \$115 per ton, mostly \$95 to \$105.

WOMEN veterans total 577,000 or 1.9 percent of the nation's veteran population, the Veterans Administration reported.

## Yield is high in crop test

Carl L. King of Dimmitt has reported a high yield among local entrants in a nationwide sorghum growing program with a yield of 8289.1 pounds per acre. The program is sponsored by the producers of Funk's G-Hybrid seeds.

King planted 3 acres of Funk's G-701 sorghum on May 10 and harvested on Nov. 3 at 15.2 percent moisture. His official yield was adjusted to 14 percent moisture.

To achieve his high yield, King planted 84,000 seeds per acre in 30-inch rows. He fertilized with 200 pounds nitrogen and 92 pounds phosphorus. His crop was irrigated 3 times.

Final placings in both irrigated and non-irrigated classes will be announced in December.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

### PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL:

Margaret Acker  
Edd Bennett  
Leora Calhoun  
Etta Cowan  
James Scott Crum  
Effie Duke  
Birdie Fite  
Flomina Garcia  
Cleo Guerra  
Winnie Hankins  
Neva Hedgecocke  
Traci Hill  
Sadie Ethel Hunter  
Tamara Macias  
Randy Manning  
Ann Mayhew  
Sue Miller  
Richard West

### PATIENTS DISMISSED:

Laura Newberry  
Odie Moore  
Enedelia Vidal  
Arci Catano  
Linnie Cauldwell  
W. E. Grant  
R. Young

## VETERAN'S SERVICES

By BEDFORD W. SMITH  
County Service Officer

Unprecedented use of the current GI bill by veterans and servicemen has resulted in higher dollar costs during its first 10 years than the combined total of the two previous GI bills, Jack Coker, VA Regional Director, reported recently.

MORE THAN \$20 billion has been paid to 6.6 million trainees since the current bill was enacted in 1966. Benefits will continue through 1989, but the period for earning new eligibility will be closed out Dec. 31, 1976, be recent legislation.

Total cost of the World War II GI Bill, which ended in 1957, was \$14.5 billion. The Korean Conflict bill cost \$4.5 billion during its 12 1/2 year existence.

The GI Bill expenditures of more than \$5 billion for fiscal year 1976 represented 25 percent of the total VA budget outlay.

Increased enrollments and higher monthly allowances are chief causes for the greater expenditures. Almost 64 percent of the eligible Vietnam-era veterans have received some form of training under the current GI Bill.

Slightly more than half of the eligible World War II veterans enrolled in training while only 43.4 percent of the total eligibles from the Korean Conflict participated.

Monthly allowances for a single veteran under the World War II GI Bill started at \$50, eventually reaching \$75. The single veteran training under the Korean bill received \$110 monthly. Today's single veteran, attending school full time, receives \$292 monthly.

The VA expenditures include \$523 million paid during the past 10 years to almost 750,000 active-duty service members enrolled in GI Bill training.

College level courses continue to be the most popular form of training for veterans and servicemen. Almost 3.7 million persons have enrolled in college courses, compared to a combined total of 3.4 million under the two previous programs.

Anyone desiring to take advantage of the current GI education bill will need to volunteer for service in one branch of the armed forces before Jan. 1, 1977 to qualify. Recruiting offices are to be found in both Amarillo and Lubbock.

NOTHING is impossible to the man who can will.  
—Mirabeau



**CARL KING**, president of the Texas Corn Growers Association, welcomes members of the association to their fifth annual meeting last Wednesday in the County Expo Building.

## Jobs, workers meet at fair

An estimated 500 persons were offered jobs on the spot during the Texas First Job Matching Fair in Amarillo last weekend, a preliminary tally indicated.

MORE THAN 1,100 job-seekers from all over Texas and as far away as Oregon turned out for the six-hour event to interview with more than 90 employers who set up personnel booths at the Amarillo College Women's Gym.

"It was the most impressive thing I've ever seen," Jim Harwell, executive director of the Texas Industrial Commission, said. "We had to open the doors 30 minutes early to handle the crowd. They came from all walks of life, and the employers were very impressed with the quality of the job-seekers."

Brooks Carroll of the Texas Employment Commission office handling the job tabulation in Amarillo said more than 50 percent of the interviewees were offered jobs on the spot. Many others were asked to come back for a second interview.

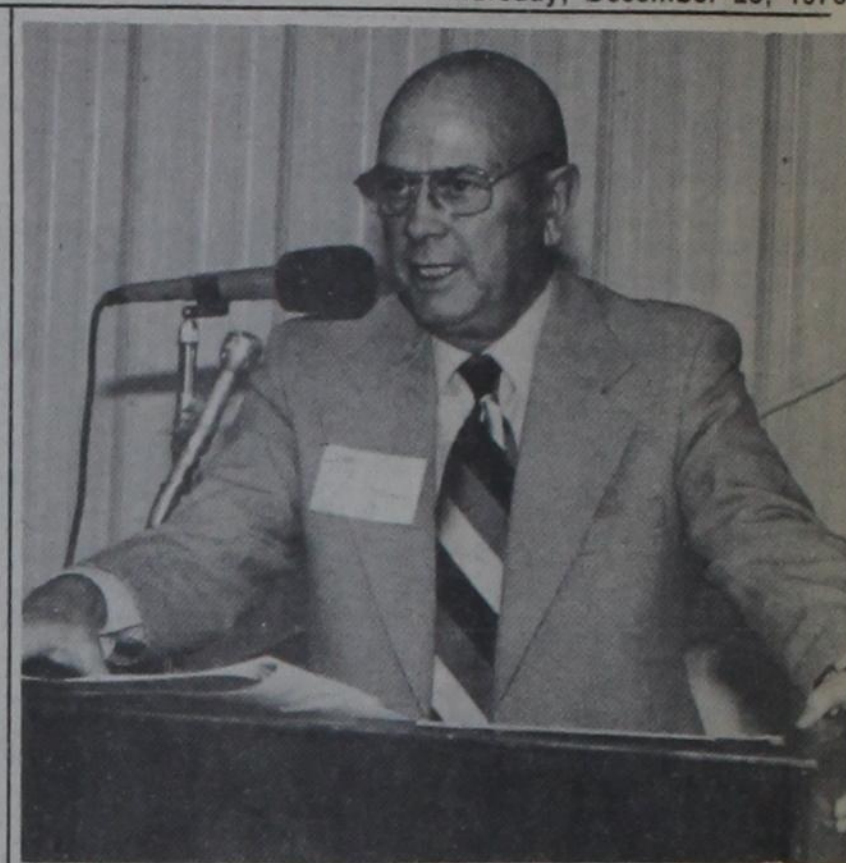
The Job Matching Fair is the first in a series to be conducted across the state through phase two of Gov. Dolph Briscoe's Texas First campaign, a program designed to stimulate economic development in the state.

## Rites planned for D. Watson

Dewey Watson, former long-time resident of Dimmitt, died Tuesday morning in Clovis. Mr. Watson, 78, lived in the Dimmitt area from 1916 to 1939, when he moved to Clovis.

**THE BODY** will lie in state at Steed and Todd Funeral Home in Clovis prior to graveside services at Castro Memorial Gardens at 2 p.m. today (Thursday). Steed and Todd will direct the services and burial following.

Survivors are his wife, Laike Woodburn Watson of Clovis, and one daughter, Billye Hill of Clovis; three granddaughters and five great-grandchildren; one brother, Sam of Artesia; two sisters, Mrs. Jewel Ansley of Roswell and Mrs. Curtis Culver of Amarillo.



**DR. BILL OTT** of the Texas A&M Extension Research department speaks briefly at the Texas Corn Growers Association meeting last Wednesday in the County Expo Building. He reported on research that is now being done and also revealed the department's budget requests to the state legislature for the next two years.

## Miss Aleman is chosen for college honor

Estella Aleman, Dimmitt student at South Plains College in Levelland, is one of the 42 named to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges.

**SELECTION** was on the basis of scholarship and activity in campus and community life. Nominees were full-time sophomores who maintained at least a 3.0 grade-point average. Faculty advisors each submitted three names, which were evaluated by a nominating committee.

Their names and biographical information will appear in the annual publication, "Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges."

Miss Aleman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jose M. Aleman of Dimmitt.

### On the go

Pvt. Margarito Sanchez Jr. of the US Army stationed at Ft. Rucker, Ala. is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Margarito Sanchez in Dimmitt. His brother Manuel Sanchez will join the Army Jan. 5 for a tour of duty.

## View from the Library



By BRICK AUTRY  
Librarian

Someone remarked to me the other day about the article last week explaining the new copying laws. Why worry about that until January 1978? We've got enough on our minds with Christmas and all. So, I thought it would be a good article, besides, I'll remind you again next Christmas and it will be much more relevant then. In the meantime, you can forget it like everyone else seems to be doing.

I WOULD like to introduce our third Manpower assistant. Her name is Ninfa Quintero. Ninfa is new this year. I think Ninfa adds brains to this place.

(Marie says for me to speak for myself.) I decided she had brains when she came over from the Manpower Office. She didn't say anything throughout the whole interview—and when that happens it makes the whole situation a little hard to judge.

I, myself, try not to look too much like a clutz, but with a profile like a telephone pole, it isn't easy. I try to be "normal" around the library, but I always blow it. I really make Ninfa angry. I call her Dena and then I call Dena Ninfa and get them mixed up and angry.

Nevertheless, Ninfa is a devoted worker. She has learned all the annoying details in our business and since we haven't had any janitor, she has done just a little more than her share of the work. For example, she's partly responsible for cleaning the large glass entrance. Partly responsible, mind you, for cleaning 80 sq. feet of glass.

The next time you're downtown after school come in and say hello to the four Manpower girls. And beside that, they're all lovely. Sorry, Ninfa, but I don't want the courthouse to find out what good help I have. Next time, you know, Manpower will end up in the courthouse maybe.

## Meanings of Christmas story told to Rotary

Unusual aspects of the Nativity story and their meaning for Christians today were related by Rev. Marvin Roark, First United Methodist pastor, as he spoke to the Dimmitt Rotary Club and Rotary-Anns at the club luncheon Friday.

**THE MINISTER**, a Rotarian, was introduced as speaker by Dr. Charles Vandiver.

Significance of Christ's name, which was assigned before His birth, was noted by the speaker, who said, "Jesus is the only one who lives up to his names. The name Jesus is a form of the Old Testament name Joshua, meaning a savior, and the other name, Emmanuel, means 'God with us.'"

The story of the Wise Men, whose visit resulted in King Herod's order to kill all infants in the city in an effort to take the baby Jesus' life, signifies God's search for man and man's response to that search, Rev. Roark continued.

"It contrasts the ever-present conflict of good with evil," he said, "and emphasizes that man's plots cannot overthrow God's plan. Wise men still seek the Christ child."

Wives of the Rotarians were their guests at lunch. This was the club's final meeting of 1976, as meetings were canceled for the last two weeks because of holidays falling on weekends.

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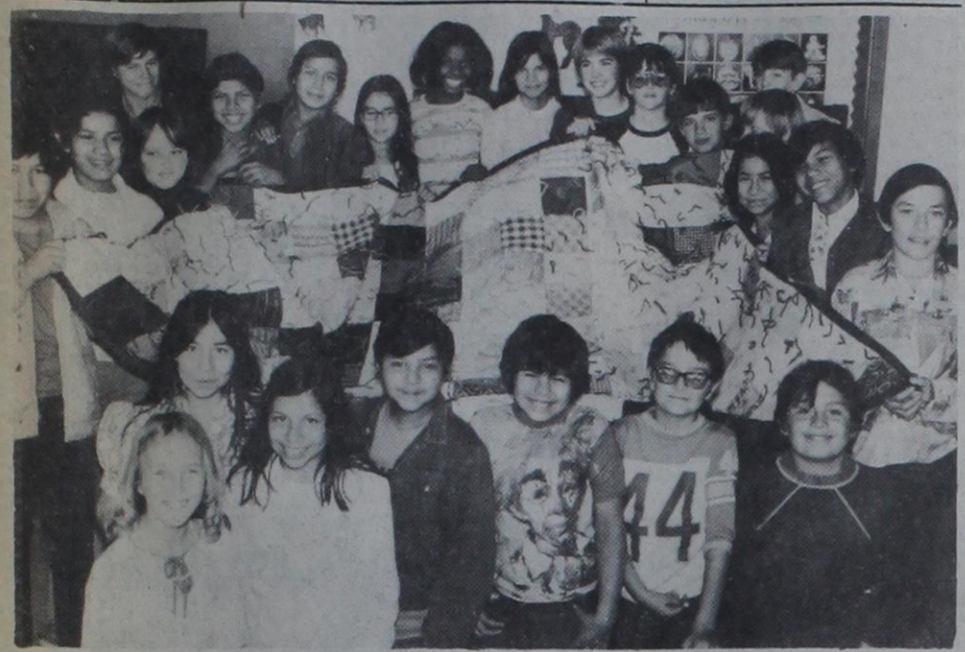
The City of Dimmitt has received a check for \$20,592.56 from the State of Texas as the city's rebate of the one-cent city sales tax. The amount compares to the November payment of \$15,563.20.

**THE LARGEST** check ever sent to Dimmitt was for over \$25,000 last August. State Comptroller Bob Bullock said the sales tax rebate totals during 1976 showed a 14.4 percent increase over

1975, and added, "The jingling of those cash registers has been music to ears at both the state and city level." The December rebate total for the state was \$50.6 million, an increase of \$9.8 million over

that for the same month a year ago. Hart's rebate in December amounted to \$2,070.57 as compared to \$1,198.60 last month. Nazareth received a check for \$1,781.52, a large increase over the \$635.51 in November.

Rebate amounts for area cities of various sizes include \$8,766.04 to Friona, \$53,782.65 to Hereford, \$3,743.67 to Earth, \$45,318.57 to Levelland, \$18,934.38 to Muleshoe, \$5,662.82 to Olton, \$3,460.35 to Hale Center, \$18,644.01 to Tulsa.



A CHRISTMAS QUILT made by these sixth grade students in Mabel Heard's class will be given to the youngest son in the Garcia family whose home burned recently. "We want to

thank the CVAE class for piecing and binding the quilt for us," Mrs. Heard said. Her students provided the pieces and did the tying.



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

DEC. 23 — Cheryl Sammann, Bob Crozier, Andy Behrens, Johnny Wilson, Jill Pohlmeier, Patti Hochstein, Kathleen Durbin.

DEC. 24 — Darla Underwood, Donny Nelson, Rita McDaniel, Mary Jean Huseman, Chris Gerber, Mike Huseman.

DEC. 25 — David Tuggle, Charlie Wales, David Lust, Jeannie Wilhelm, Art Brockman, Keith Birkenfeld.

DEC. 26 — Randy Glenn Wilson, Danny Bruton, Brenda Hoelting, Darrell Huseman.

DEC. 27 — Oleta Sanders, J'Lyn Ryan, Kim Watts, Peggy Ewing, Lydia Gerber, Clyde Schulte, Joy Ringwald, Debbie Keel, Mark Huseman, Jenny Huseman.

DEC. 28 — Bea Acker, Carol Bagwell, Suzan Collins, Buster Tidwell, Cyrilla Brockman, Mary Ann Schulte, Royce Huseman, Mark Klemman.

DEC. 29 — Resa Carson, Janet Mays, Sarita Cleavinger, Brice Goldsmith, Joe Collins, Kevin Paul Acker.

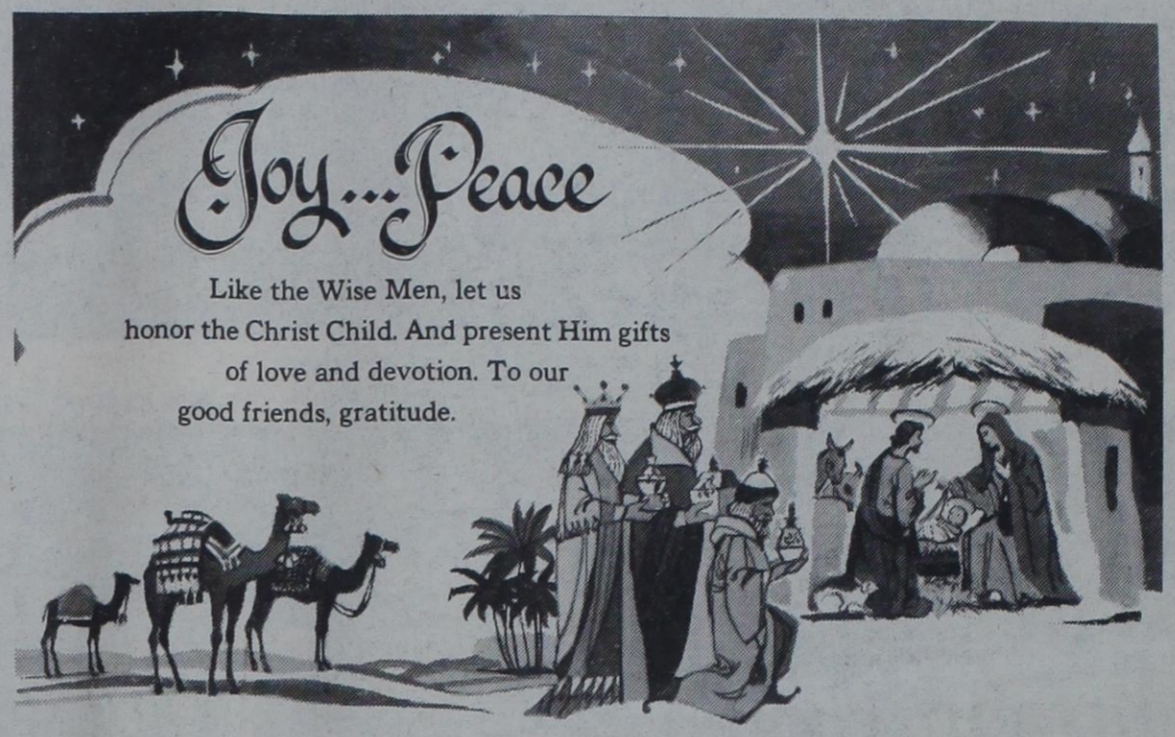
DEC. 30 — Carla Summers, Ronnie Huseman.



SWEEPING UP is C. R. Anthony's manager Leroy Maxwell after an unidentified driver ran into the store's front last Thursday around 6 a.m., breaking two large sections of the

glass. Maxwell reported that \$50 worth of merchandise on display in the window was damaged. The glass and bent framing were both replaced by the end of the day.

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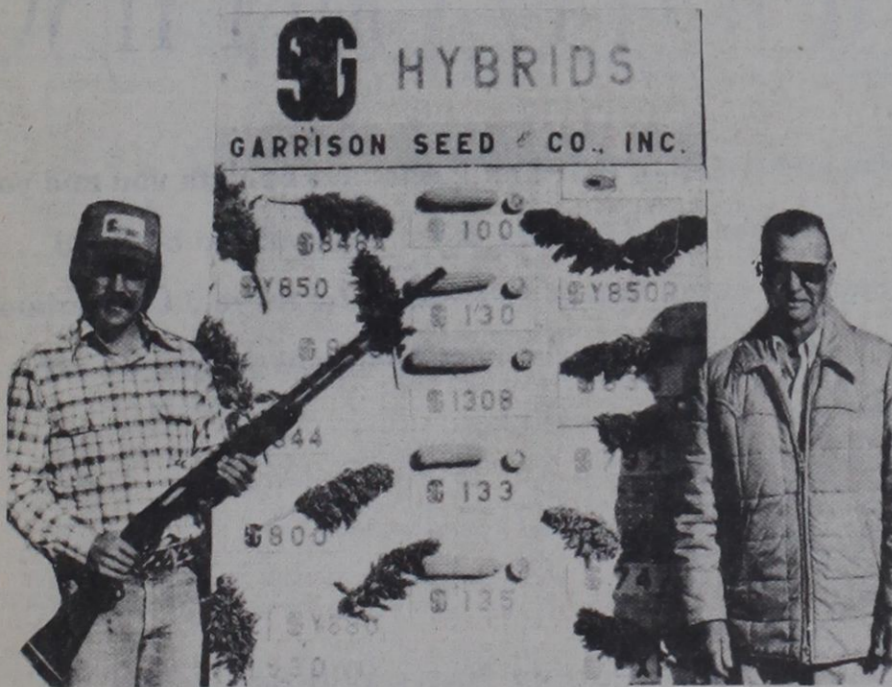
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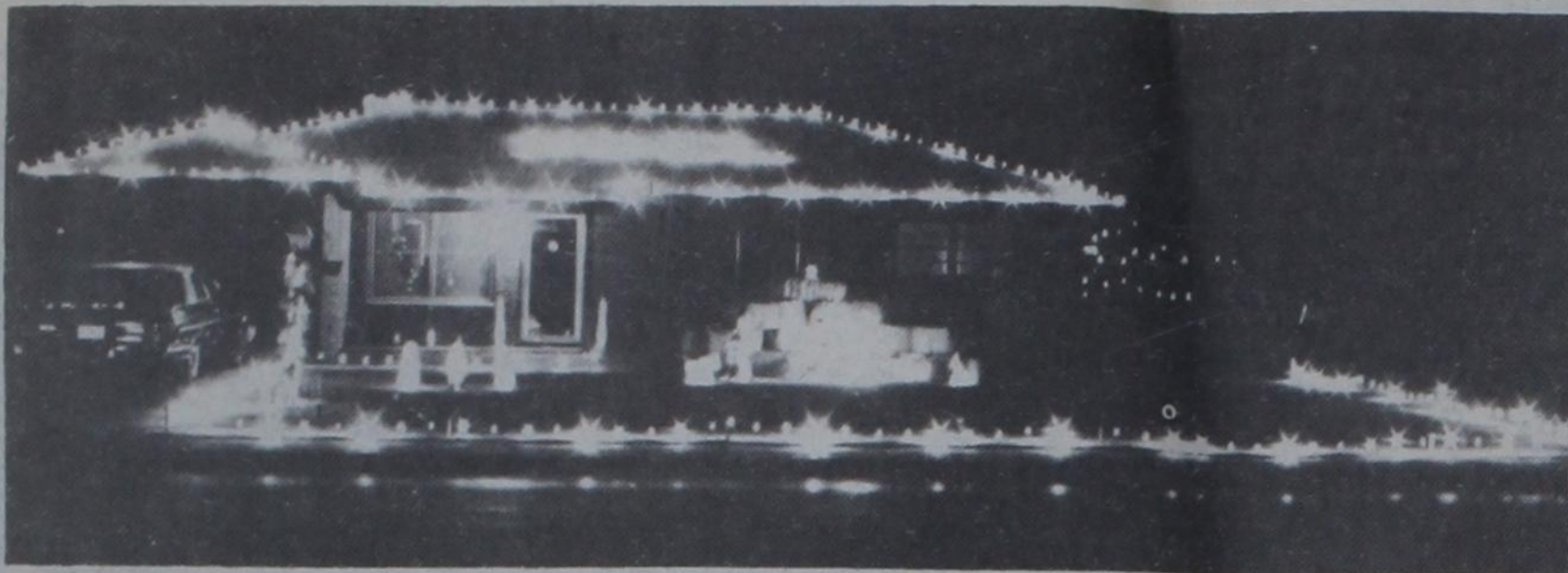
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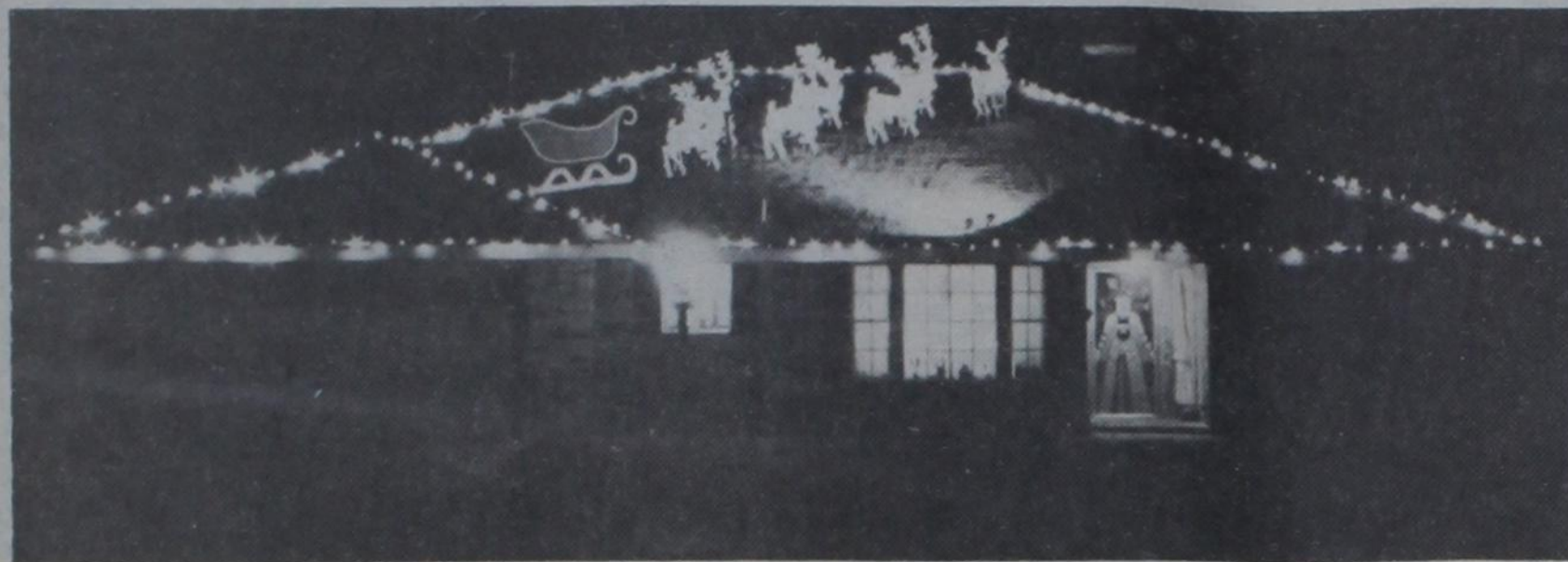
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THIRD PLACE AWARD IN JAYCEE HOME DECORATING CONTEST  
... Manger scene at the Avery Thrasher home, 720 Oak St.

**Sunnyside**

# Christmas tree ignites, causes extensive damage to Carson home

By TEENY BOWDEN

The home of Mrs. Lillian Carson received extensive damage Friday night when the Christmas tree caught fire and flames very quickly engulfed it, setting the carpet, floor and ceiling on fire. She took Greg George and Sharon and Jack Bradley to the home of Jimmy Waggoner where the Lee Bradleys and Carl Dean Carsons were at a Christmas party. The fire department was called from there since she was unable to use the phone at home, but the young men from the party had the fire out with water and hoses and three fire extinguishers the Waggoners had before the fire department arrived. Cause of the fire was unknown, but the live tree was fully aflame before she was aware anything was wrong. She spent the night with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dean Carson, and about 4 a.m. the divan they had left outside burst into flame again, and they had to put it out again.

THE ADULT I Sunday School class had a Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Waggoner Friday night. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Gale Sadler, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Waggoner, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. David Sadler, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Lefevere, Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dean Carson, Mr. and Mrs. George Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Fugitt,

and Rev. Raymond Jones. The Lions Club blood drive obtained 12 units of blood for the Southwest Blood Services of Lubbock. They had their regular supper and meeting Monday night. Fifty-five or more attended the community Christmas party at the community building Saturday night. Stacy Waggoner won the prize for the best decorations in the pre-school age group. Chanin Ross won the prize for grades 1-3, Kelby Bradley won the prize for the 4-6 grades, and Rhonda Ross for grade 6 and up. Santa arrived as scheduled, and gifts were exchanged by all. Pick up foods were served and table games enjoyed by some while others visited.

RAY JOE RILEY was one of the speakers at the fifth annual Texas Corn Growers Association meeting in Dimmitt Wednesday. Others from the community attended the meeting. Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Waggoner left Saturday for Houston for a few days visit with their newly adopted granddaughter, Julie Alice, who came to live with Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Waggoner and Jason at three months of age Thursday. Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Jones, Mrs. Embree Roy Sadler, Mrs. Roy Phelan, Mrs. Milburn Haydon and Mrs. L. B. Bowden visited at South Hills Manor in Dimmitt Tuesday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Embree Roy Sadler and R. E. Duke attended the Christmas party at South

Hills Manor Tuesday night. Mrs. Duke was dismissed from Plains Memorial Hospital Monday. Mrs. Carl Bradley attended the funeral services for Crill Bulls in Earth Monday afternoon. Burial was also in Earth. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hedrick of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Matlock of Tulia and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Matlock came home with her for supper with the Carl Bradley family.

CLIFF BROWN was deer hunting near Junction Monday through Wednesday. Mrs. John Gilbreath and Mrs. Embree Roy Sadler attended the funeral services for Ed Drerup in Nazareth Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Gilbreath also visited with the family Tuesday afternoon. Doug Freeman was transferred from the El Paso Gas Plant here to Jal Monday. Mrs. Freeman will stay with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Wilson and Daneen until she finishes nursing training in Dimmitt. Daneen Wilson was selected as Sweetheart of the Springlake Lions Club in their meeting Thursday. Rev. Raymond Jones attended the Baptist Men's Meeting in Sudan Thursday night to plan a mission trip to Falcon Heights in January.

MR. AND MRS. Bill Morgan of Shamrock, Mrs. Jay Stanton and April Dawn of Dimmitt and Mrs. Travis Deering, Stefani and Cherish of Friona visited at the community Christmas party Saturday night with friends. Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Brown, Lynn and Lee and Gale Jones attended the Tide Christmas party in Plainview Wednesday night. Kim Jones was on the senior "A" honor roll and Clint Dawson on the junior "A" roll for Springlake-Earth High School. Joe Fulfer and Dina Jo Hampton were on the senior "A&B" roll, Tommy Graham and Daneen Wilson on the same roll for juniors, Belinda Hampton on the sophomore roll, and Michael Graham on the freshman roll.

Mrs. Gerald Graham and Tommy and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dawson and Clint participated in the Christmas Cantata at the First United Methodist Church in Earth Sunday night. Sweetie and Resa Carson of Lubbock and Gene Carson of Napa, Idaho arrived Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Lillian Carson. Because of the fire, they spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bradley and children, who got moved into their new home in Sunnyside Friday.

CINDY SADLER came in from Baylor University Saturday night for the holidays. She arrived in time for the community Christmas party. Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Brown, Lynn, Lee and Gale Jones had an early Christmas dinner and tree with the Brown family in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hylton Brown and children in Plainview Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arden Fields and girls attended a Christmas party in Vega Saturday night with friends. Mr. and Mrs. Noah Spencer had supper in Lubbock Saturday night with Mr. and Mickey Cole.

MRS. W. A. Baldrige and daughter of Dimmitt and her mother, Mrs. H. V. Hughes of Lubbock visited Saturday afternoon with Mrs. L. B. Bowden. Mr. Hughes passed away this summer. The Hugheses operated the Sunnyside truck stop and grocery store in the early 1970's.

A fellowship was held after the Sunday night services honoring the pastor and his wife. He was presented a money tree as a Christmas gift. She was home with a cold and sore throat.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sadler, Carrie, Stacy and Laura left Saturday morning for a skiing vacation at Monarch Pass, Colo. with Mr. and Mrs. Chad Winsor of Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Shive and children of Amarillo visited Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Noah Spencer.

Mr. and Mrs. Denver Smith of Friona visited last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ray Hampton and children.

MR. AND MRS. Jerry Ray Hampton attended the Earth Roping Club Christmas party in Earth Saturday night.

Mrs. Ray Joe Riley visited with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Ira Scott in Hereford Tuesday to help her mother celebrate her birthday.

The youth of the church had a Christmas party at the church Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Betty Sue Ramey, Jody and Adrian of Jonesboro, Ind. arrived Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Holbrooks.

Jodie Riley spent Friday night in Lazbuddie with Ken Craft.

Mrs. John Gilbreath and Mrs. Ray Joe Riley attended a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Jimmy Cluck Saturday.

MR. AND MRS. Tommy DeBusk of Payton, Colo., recently of Fairbanks, Alaska, visited Sunday with his cousin Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ray Hampton and family. They brought pictures with them from their life in Alaska. They are former residents of the community.

Kim Haydon and Kevin Riley attended the Springlake-Earth FFA Christmas party at the Earth show barn Saturday.

Mrs. Jerry Ray Hampton, Dina Jo, Belinda, Tommy, Duke, Bridget, Heath, David and Denise, Michael Graham and Mrs. Ray Joe Riley, Kevin and Jodie attended the 4-H Christmas party at the Amherst Nursing Home Wednesday night with other members of the Springlake-Earth 4-H.

Tommy and Michael Graham were guests for the 50th anniversary celebration of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hudson in Earth Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Joe Riley and boys were also among those who attended.

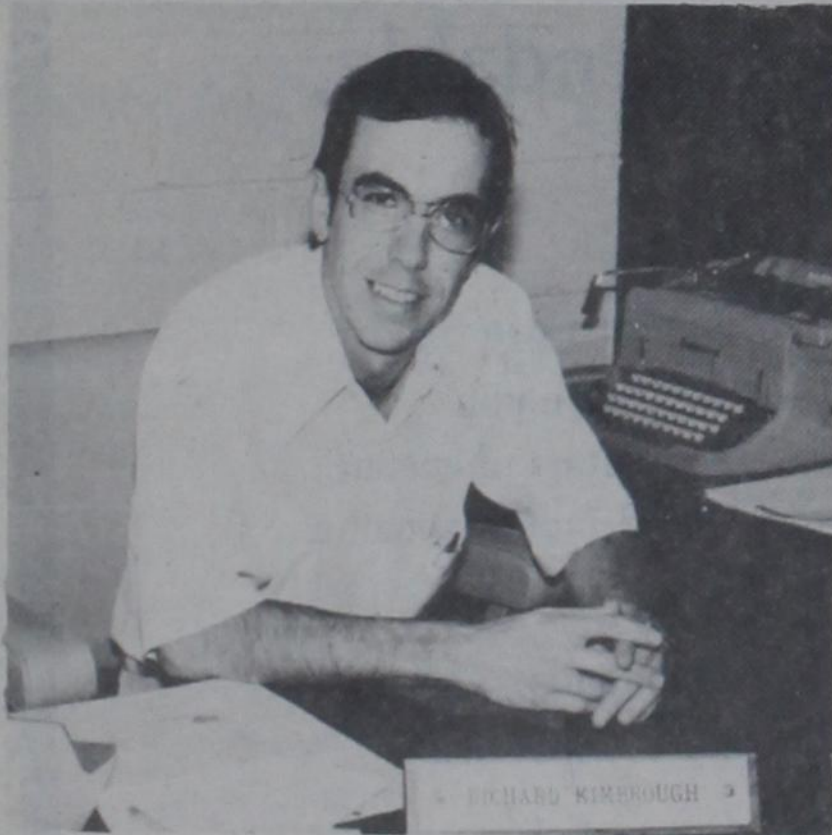


# CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May the joy and peace of that first Christmas be with you and yours  
this season. Our wish is for all hearts to be filled  
with gladness, contentment and the desire for real brotherhood.  
Our gratitude to the kind, generous people we serve.

The Castro County News Will Be Closed  
All Day Friday, December 24.

# The Castro County News



Kimbrough

## Richard Kimbrough new PCA manager

Richard Kimbrough, new manager of the Production Credit Association in Dimmitt, started work here in October. He was promoted from the position of assistant manager at the Muleshoe branch. He brought his wife, Beverly, and his children, three-year-old Julie and eight-month-old Ramey, in November. Kimbrough was raised in Littlefield and graduated from high school there. In 1972 he earned his BS in Agri-Econom-

ics from WTSU. He worked as a representative of the Production Credit Association in both Plainview and Friona before going to Muleshoe. "We really like it here and are looking forward to meeting more people. The kids have been sick and we haven't been getting out as much as we'd like," Kimbrough said. Kimbrough plays golf for relaxation, and his wife enjoys playing bridge. They are Baptists.

# The Castro County News SPORTS

## Three Dimmitt High teams are winners

Dimmitt High School teams won over Hale Center in three games Friday night when the varsity boys and girls and the JV boys all saw action at Hale Center.

**THE BOBCATS** had their tenth straight win, extending their record to 12-1, as they chalked up a 66-56 victory over Hale Center's Owls.

Nine members of the team scored, Keith Crum leading with 20 and Jerry Schaeffer with 18.

Holding the lead through the game, the Bobcats were ahead

21-8 at the end of the first quarter, 38-23 at the half and 51-37 when the final quarter began.

**THE BOBBIES'** contest was closer but they managed a 69-68 win. Beth Cleveland had her second straight 40-point game as she led in scoring, and she shot 76 percent from the floor. Last Tuesday she scored 46 points against Tulia.

Final score in the JV boys' game was 55-45, with David Patterson's 14 points high for Dimmitt. Nine other Dimmitt players scored.

## Freshman, seventh grade boys place in tourney

Freshman boys from Dimmitt placed second in the annual Hereford tournament for seventh, eighth and ninth grades last weekend, and seventh graders of the Dimmitt Middle School came out third in their division.

**THE FRESHMEN** lost to Levelland, 76-63 in the final game after downing Canyon 60-48 in the first round and then getting past Hereford LaPlata 49-45.

Norris Cole scored high, 28 points, and Matt Gilbreath got 11 in the opener. Top Dimmitt scorer in the second game was Tony Gonzales with 16 and Vicente Salinas with 10.

Gonzales was again high with 14 points in the final game, while Gilbreath and Salinas each shot for 10.

"Shooting and defense both were definitely improved in this game," Coach James Gibson said. "All the boys gave real good effort throughout the tourney and I'm well pleased with their performance."

**COACH DAVID** Dunavant's seventh graders defeated Hereford Stanton 33-29 in the consolation finals, after losing 46-17 to Hereford LaPlata. Their first-round victory was to a score of 42-15 over the Canyon White.

High point man for the tourney was Mario Moreno, who scored 24, followed by Kyle Weatherford with 22. Moreno also had the best single game with 14 points.

Dimmitt's eighth grade boys lost their first game to the Canyon Purple, then defeated the Canyon White 31-29 only to lose in the third round to Littlefield with a 32-28 score.

The eighth grade C team defeated Nazareth boys 25-24 and the seventh grade B and C teams eased past Nazareth 20-18 in a couple of close games Friday night.

Seventh, eighth and ninth grade boys will be on vacation until Jan. 3, when they are to meet Olton here.

## Frosh girls absorb one-point OT loss

A one-point loss in overtime of the final game in the girls' tournament at Muleshoe last weekend gave Dimmitt's freshman girls second place to the host team. The contest ended with a 61-60 score.

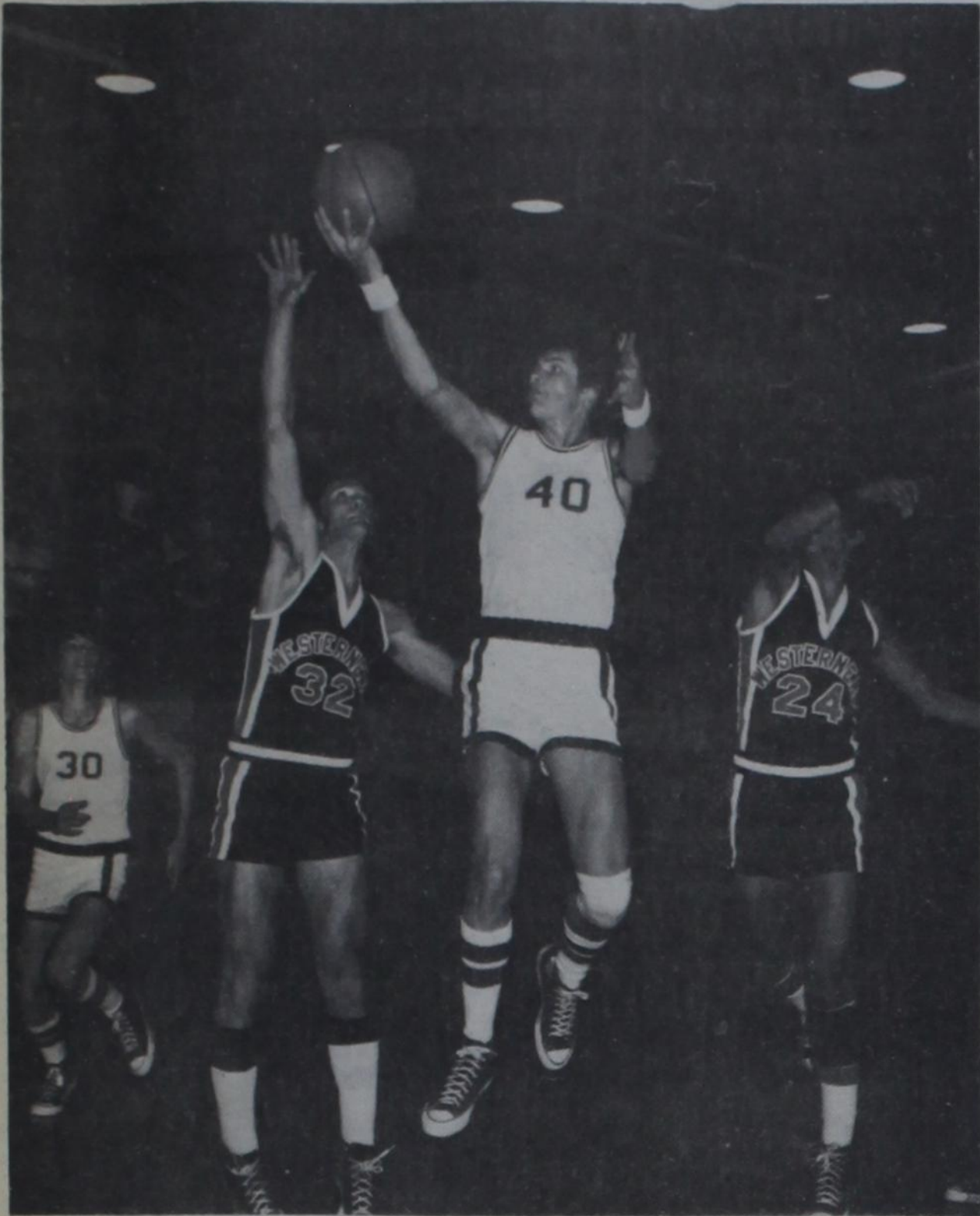
**COACH DENNIS** Miller's girls had defeated Canyon 47-45 in another close match to start their tourney record, then easily downed the Levelland freshman girls 53-33.

High point player for Dimmitt in the final game was Lori Dyer with 27 points, while Vickie Cleveland contributed 25. Cleveland scored high with 21 in the first game and Dyer

high with 26 in the Levelland contest.

The eighth grade girls B team from Dimmitt Middle School also competed in the tournament, and lost their first two starts. The Canyon Purple took a 32-21 victory, then Littlefield girls ran up a 45-15 score.

High point player for Dimmitt in both games was Crystal Fitzgerald, with Lupe Saucedo close behind. Coach Shott Miller said guards Beth West, Judith Smith and Shirley Morris turned in good performances in both games.



**NO YOU DON'T**—Dimmitt forward Jerry Schaeffer snares a tip away from Lubbock's Richard Cheatham [32] and J. Arismender [24] while Dimmitt's Jim Bradford [30] breaks for the basket during the first half of Monday night's game between the Bobcats and Westerners here. After gaining control,

Schaeffer drove under for a layup to hike the Bobcats' lead over the frustrated Westerners. The Bobcats surged to a 28-14 advantage by halftime, then hung on for a 45-42 victory. Schaeffer paced the Bobcats with 20 points, 20 credits and nine rebounds.

[Photo by Mark Oldham]

# Bobcats defeat Lubbock by 45-42

There was enough pressure in Dimmitt Middle School Gym Monday night to can all the corn in Castro County as Dimmitt's Bobcats won a 45-42 decision over Lubbock's Westerners in the first meeting ever between the two schools.

**RATTLING** the Westerners with their full-court press, zone defense and outside shooting, the Bobcats surged to a 28-14 halftime lead, then hung on as the visitors regrouped and closed the margin in the second half. The run-and-gun Westerners edged ahead in the fourth period, but Dimmitt post forward Jerry Schaeffer—who led the scoring with 20 points—in the final two minutes to put the Bobcats back on top.

Dimmitt spent the last 90 seconds in its four-corner stall, nursing a two-point lead. The victory wasn't in the bag for the Bobcats until Thompson Mayberry swished a free throw with two seconds remaining.

Before they went into battle against the Westerners of District 4-AAA, the Bobcats vowed to play as though they were 20 points behind at the opening tipoff.

"IT'S A GOOD thing they did, too, because Lubbock has a fine ball club," Bobcat Coach Ken Cleveland said. "If our kids hadn't played like they were 20 behind, they'd have BEEN 20 behind."

The first quarter was nip-and-tuck as the Bobcats squeezed ahead 10-8. The Cats then bombed the nets for 18 points in the second quarter while holding Lubbock to only three baskets to take a commanding 28-14 halftime lead.

The frustrated Westerners settled down in the third period and turned the tables as their pattern game produced 20 points to Dimmitt's 10. Going into the fourth quarter, Dimmitt held a narrow 38-34 lead and Lubbock was gaining.

**THE WESTERNERS** took a two-point lead midway in the fourth, but the Bobcats bore down. Guard Brad Glenn—who racked up eight points and 15 credits while quarterbacking the overload attack—canned the shot that put the Bobcats back in the lead. Lubbock tied the score once more, but then Schaeffer sank two pressure shots to put Dimmitt back in front for good.

Schaeffer was a one-man gang in the lane as he sank nine of 17 field shots, hit two of two free throws, hauled down nine rebounds and earned 20 credits (assists, steals, etc.) to pace the Dimmitt victory.

The Westerners built a tall fence around high-scoring post forward Keith Crum throughout the game, and early in the fourth Crum fouled out after

sinking eight points, getting three rebounds and keeping Lubbock's defense preoccupied.

**DIMITT** guard Rocky Rawls earned 15 credits, darted in for three rebounds and scored six points. Forward Jim Bradford picked nine rebounds off the boards and earned six credits.

Lubbock won the rebounding

battle, 36-32, but none of the taller Westerners scored in double figures.

The Bobcats fired 58 shots and sank 20 of them for a 35% average. At the free throw line, Dimmitt swished five of seven for 71%.

**THE VICTORY** was Dimmitt's 12th against only one loss. The Westerners are now 9-5.

## Bobcats go to tourney as defending champs

The Dimmitt Bobcats, defending champions of the small school division, will play in the annual Caprock ABC Invitational Tournament at Lubbock Dec. 29-31, meeting Ralls in their first game at 6 p.m. Wednesday.

**SPONSORED** by Lubbock's Caprock Chapter of the American Business Clubs, the games for Class AA, A and B high schools are played in the Coronado High School gym. Dimmitt has won the Caprock championship more often than any other school.

If the Bobcats win their first-round game they will meet the winner of a Cooper-Lubbock Christian High School clash at 6 p.m. Thursday. LCHS has a 14-1 record for this season and is rated as "a good team" by DHS Coach Ken Cleveland.

So is the Tahoka team, which is scheduled to meet Tulia in the first round. The winner of that contest will have as its next opponent Christ the King High School of Lubbock, which drew a first-round bye.

## Pre-Christmas month is happy one for Satellite Center group

By NORMA CONARD

Students of the Satellite Training and Work Center had the privilege of serving their homemade cookies and punch to approximately 45 guests at their Christmas party last week.

**SANTA** had a gift for every child there. Sandra Clark, Grace Dunaway, Wrenella Rogers, Helen Oldham and Mrs. W. S. T. Robertson helped with the party.

The month of December was a wonderful one for Satellite School.

Dec. 1, the W. S. T. Robertsons sent us the most beautiful Christmas tree. Students enjoyed the delight of learning colors as we decorated it.

Dec. 10, we are so excited all day because we are anxiously waiting for 7 p.m. It finally arrives and we meet our special group of friends, the Legal Secretaries, who give of themselves by giving their time to take us out to a great chicken dinner.

**THEY HAD** visited with Santa to see that each student gets a present. These ladies live in Tulia, Hereford and Dimmitt.

The students gave each of the Secretaries a gift they had made at school. Our wonderful evening was a bit marred by one student needing attention

from Dr. Murphy, whom we appreciated so much for coming. Students are still talking of this very nice evening.

Dec. 7 Nancy Woods from the Amarillo State Center came to meet with Mrs. Manning and me. We made plans to implement a program for each student.

Dec. 14, I am greeted by a big box of sacked goodies prepared by Ginny Lapins, Sue Boozer, Carolyn Sides, Deanne Clark and Donna Smith. They made enough for Good News Club children and Satellite School children, bringing happiness to 36 in all.

Dec. 15, I am glad there are sacked goodies for Santa to hand my students when we have our own party, but in my heart I wish to see every child there made happy by a similar gift, but I just don't want to call on anyone else.

Can you feel my heart beat with thankfulness when my doorbell rings and there is a box of oranges? The message is, "Bob West said give these to the Satellite School."

Then on the 16th Mrs. Joe M. Scott hands me a bag of apples. Mrs. J. D. Rodgers from Hart gave us candy canes. Mr. Touchon from Amarillo gave us chocolates, so on the 17th, the day of our party, Santa gets to hand out goodies

bags to 30 children who are guests of our students.

**ALL PRAYERS** answered through friends with a bounty of love.

But this isn't all the Christmas cheer that happened on the 17th. Ann's Steak House invited us to have dinner. You can't imagine how much of her good food we devoured!

How privileged we were to have guests who came to let us serve them punch and cookies we made. They came from Lubbock, Spur, Hart and even from Georgia, as well as home-folks. We enjoyed Clara Neumayer coming to lead us in Christmas carols.

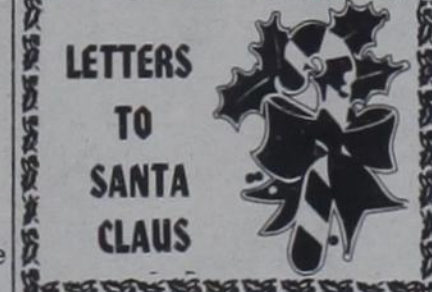
**SANTA** handed out presents from Grace Dunaway, Nita Manning, Mac Jouett, Paul Gerber, Doris Steffens, Sandra Clark and the teacher.

Dec. 20 each student was pleased to receive a gift from Mrs. Robertson.

Four personnel workers from Amarillo State Center came to make visits in the homes of our students. We all appreciate the cooperation we receive from this parent center.

We will be back on the job Dec. 28 with an enrollment of six students, and hoping for three new students.

Holiday greetings to all, and to each of you we wish the Joy of Christmas all year.



Dear Santa,  
I am Coby Moke and I would like a pair of chaps for Christmas. You are a good Santa. I love you.  
Coby

Dear Santa,  
I want rud-a-dub-dolly and dishes. I have been good this year. Thank you.  
Jeanna Hanson

Dear Santa,  
I have been a very good girl this year. I would like a "Baby Don't Cry," a stuffed animal and a surprise. I will leave you some cookies and milk. I love you.  
Tish Miller

**On the go**  
Kent and Carol Hance and children of Lubbock and Carol's sister Mary visited Beral Hance Sunday.

**THE GREATEST** thing a man can do in this world is to make the most possible out of the stuff that has been given him. This is success, and there is no other.  
—Marden



**SOFT TOUCH**—Joyce Wooten lofts a two-pointer for Dimmitt's Bobbies while teammate Linda Wise follows her shot during their game against Levelland here Monday night.

Wooten scored 28 points and Beth Cleveland 26 as the Bobbies won by a lopsided 73-48 margin.  
[Photo by Mark Oldham]

## Bobbies, JV girls defeat Levelland here

Dimmitt's Bobbies and also the junior varsity girls defeated Levelland girls in games here Monday night. The DHS varsity girls won their game with a 73-48 margin.

**JOYCE WOOTEN** scored 28 and Beth Cleveland 26 points for Dimmitt.

"This was the best forward defense in any game in the three years I've been in Dimmitt," Coach Sam Nichols said.

The team had 33 steals. Ola Fay McLaughlin had an outstanding ball game, getting six rebounds and four steals. Mel Nelson had six rebounds and three steals.

In the junior varsity's 39-30 victory, Julie Hrabal had 21 points to top Dimmitt forwards.

## Bobbies go to tourney at Slaton

In a 16-team tournament at Slaton during the holiday week, the Dimmitt High School Bobbies will see their first action at 4:30 p.m. Monday against Rankin.

**THE WINNER** of that game will meet the winner of the Abernathy-Coahoma clash at 9 p.m. Tuesday, while losers will play at 1:30 p.m.

Other first-round contestants in the lower bracket are Lubbock Christian, Slaton, McCamey and Tulia.

Finals in this eight-team bracket are scheduled Wednesday night and the winner will play the top team from the upper bracket at 8:30 p.m. Thursday, after the two losers vie for third place in a game starting at 7 p.m.

## Kiwanis board to meet Jan. 3

"There will be no meeting or board meeting Monday because of the Christmas holidays," announced Joe Nelson, president of the Dimmitt Kiwanis Club at the group's regular meeting Monday.

He added that the board of directors will meet instead on Jan. 3 at 6:30 a.m. in the Colonial Inn Restaurant.

The sixteen members, club sweetheart and one guest heard a program presented by Cinde Sides and Kelly Bagley on their 4-H sponsored trip to Europe last summer. The two girls showed slides and answered questions.

## On the go

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bradley, Kent, Kelby and Kyle, and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bradley, Sharon, Jack, Joel and Justin attended an early Christmas dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Bradley in Dimmitt Sunday with the Bailey family who couldn't be here for Christmas. Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dixon of Dimmitt, Mrs. Bill Bailey, Randy, Brad and Sabrina of Seminole, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bailey and Ashley of Lubbock, and Buzz Bailey, also of Lubbock.

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## Girls of DHS trounce Floydada in two games

Playing without two starters, the Dimmitt Bobbies won 63-39 over Floydada's Whirlwinds Tuesday night and the junior varsity girls took their game with a 39-29 score.

**BETH** Cleveland scored 33 for the Bobbies, shooting a whopping 76 percent from the floor. Mel Nelson turned in her best game of the year at her guard post, grabbing six rebounds and nine steals. Nita

Parker and Ola Fay McLaughlin also played outstanding games.

Joyce Wooten saw only limited action due to illness and guard Brenda Underwood is still recovering from a knee injury.

The win hiked the Bobbies' record for the season to 10-6. Julie Hrabal paced the JV forwards in scoring, hitting for 22 points.

## Cats top Whirlwinds by score of 75-40

Dimmitt High's Bobcats maintained a comfortable lead over Floydada through a Tuesday night game that ended with a 75-40 margin. Keith Crum led the attack with 28 points.

**LEADING** the Whirlwinds 16-8 at the close of the first quarter, the Bobcats ran the score to 36-18 at the half and 55-28 by the end of the third quarter.

Jerry Schaeffer contributed 16 points to the Dimmitt score and had 13 rebounds. Rocky Rawls' nine points placed him third in scoring.

Coach Ken Cleveland commended Jim Bradford, who got 10 rebounds, and Brad Glenn, who led the assists with 25.

The junior varsity team from Dimmitt disposed of their Floydada foes by a 48-23 tally.

## More about

### Contract ...

[Continued from Page 1] analyses on the water in the holding ponds three times a day.

Goodpasture is to bear the expense of running a pipeline two miles from its plant and tying in with the city sewage line at the intersection of East Jones and East Eighth Streets. The city is to execute and convey the necessary easements for the pipeline right-of-way. Stewart estimated the cost of the pipeline at \$20,000.

City and Goodpasture officials compromised on a 24-month initial contract, automatically renewable every 12 months, with a 60-day written notice required for terminating.

Stewart said Goodpasture preferred a five-year initial contract term "because of our pipeline investment." Mayor Elmer Youts and City Commissioner Chet Braafladt said they wouldn't mind a five-year contract "but we have no way of knowing how much the handling costs will be in two years."

The Goodpasture plant will start discharging into the city sewer system "as soon as we can get the line laid and tied in," Stewart said. He added that the Texas Water Quality Board has granted Goodpasture a 90-day extension "to give us time to get the line built."

Goodpasture, Inc., pumped the waste from its plant into a disposal well until the well caved in in October 1975. Since then the plant has been discharging the waste water through a sprinkle-irrigating system on neighboring grassland owned by Bryce Dowell, under a temporary permit from the Texas Water Quality Board. But runoff from Dowell's field into a play lake south of the plant brought a complaint from one of the lake's four owners and led to a citation from the Texas Water Quality Board.

## More about Corn Growers

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corn grower should know which diseases are causing losses in each field, and not abandon a variety of corn simply because it is susceptible to a particular disease unless the disease has appeared in his own field.

James Esty, Hale County agronomist, spoke of cultural practices, saying the single-cross hybrid corn, the most common in this area, has more vigor and uniformity but is more costly.

**HE SAID** soil testing is important, and may show the need for using less fertilizer. Planting corn before April 1 is a risk in this area, Esty said, citing the April 10-20 period as relatively safe. He advised replanting after hail if the growth point is above ground at the time of damage.

Olan Moore, Castro County entomologist, discussed control of insects and mites which damage corn on the High Plains. Leon New of Lubbock, irrigation specialist, talked of water use and cost in corn irrigation.

Factors in the cost of corn production were detailed by the area economist, Marvin Sartin of Lubbock, who spoke of rental agreements and corn marketing.

A corn breeding program now underway at Halfway and Bushland Experiment Stations and results of other experiments were reported by Dr. William Ott, Dr. Kenneth Porter and Dr. Jack Musick.

## Correction

In the Sears Catalog Store advertisement in the holiday greeting section of this issue, the name of Margaret Womack should have replaced that of Donna Newton on the list of employees.

**STATE ENTOMOLOGIST NAMED**—Dr. Philip J. Hamman, who previously served with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service for 10 years as an entomologist before entering the pest control industry, has rejoined the Extension staff at Texas A&M University. Hamman will be working primarily in the area of urban insect control, including structural pests. He fills the position vacated by Genaro Lopez. For the past two years Hamman headed up the educational program of the National Pest Control Association headquartered at Vienna, Va.



"JOY TO THE WORLD" sing the Richardson Elementary music students in their Christmas program last Wednesday under the direction of Dwight Joiner. The third, fourth, fifth and sixth grade students sang and accompanied themselves on percussion instruments.

**Nazareth**

**Pageant draws good audiences; final performance is tonight**

By MRS. AGNES BROCKMAN

The Nazareth Pageant was presented last Thursday evening and Sunday evening. It will also be presented again Thursday at 8 p.m. A good crowd attended these two nights, and the pageant is very inspiring and beautiful.

This Monday morning is a very cold chilly morning, but the sun is shining and everyone is busy trying to get shopping, baking, etc. done this week before Christmas.

THE BIRTHDAY guests in the Stork family for the month of December were Dorothy Pohlmeier, Dolores Heiman and Evelyn Hill. The dinner honoring them was held Sunday in Tulia at the home of Vi

and Virgil Pohlmeier. Other members of the family present were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gerber, Florene Leinen and Mrs. John Stork. Also LeRoy Pohlmeier, Denny Heiman and a friend, Mrs. Annel Billingsley of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. John Womack entertained with an early Christmas dinner Sunday. Those attending were Mrs. Ethel Womack, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Stephens, Mrs. Cornelia Annen, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley McDaniel and sons Shad and Stacy, also Jess and Lester Womack and June Norris of Dimmitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Annen visited the Frank Annens in Hereford Sunday.

MRS. VINCENT Guggemos and daughter Dorothy, Mrs. Martha Schulte and Mrs. Cornelia Annen visited in the home of the Gene Dobmeiers at Friona Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Guggemos returned to their home in Hudson, Wis. after spending a week here following the funeral of their nephew Ed Drerup.

All the children of Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Brockman are here to spend the holidays with them.

ALVIN SCHULTE and sons Ken and Keith of Ottawa, Ohio spent a week here visiting relatives and friends after attending the funeral of their uncle Edward Drerup on Wednesday.

The Nazareth Swift Band held their annual concert Sunday afternoon in the school cafeteria. A nice crowd attended and the concert was enjoyed by all.

The FHA girls also had their Tasting Tea Sunday. A great many kinds of candies, cookies, popcorn balls, salad, etc. was available and the recipes could be gotten for all the dishes.

Mr. and Mrs. Florence Heiman of Amarillo visited with Ella and Leonard Hoelting last Sunday.

John Litsch returned home from the Tulia hospital and is doing well after spending a week there.

Hilda Birkenfeld also returned home and is doing a lot better.

MARGARET ACKER is in the Dimmitt hospital at present and is quite ill. And Gerty Acker is at home and improving right along. Let's remember them all, and hope they can be out to enjoy the holidays.

Helen Burt returned home

last week from Ardmore, Okla. and Longview, where she visited with the Ross Kirkpatrick and Sam Burts.

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Paul Venhaus, Analeen, Joe and Terry Hutson and Jeremy had dinner with the Greg Venhaus family in Friona.

Out of news for this time, so here's wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and Blessed and Happy New Year.

**Rites held for John D. Duree**

John Dow Duree of Ruidoso, N.M., a former longtime resident of Dimmitt, died at Ruidoso Nov. 30. He had lately moved to the New Mexico city from Lubbock, and was a Dimmitt resident until 1950.

FUNERAL services were conducted in the Dennis Chapel Dec. 3 with Rev. Van Earl Hughes, Baptist pastor, officiating. Burial in the Castro Memorial Gardens was directed by Dennis Funeral Home.

Surviving Mr. Duree are his wife, Vera Lou, of Lubbock; two daughters, Jeanette McKeown of Lubbock and Ann Mersiousky of Houston; two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

**FLB drops interest rate**

Irving F. Upshaw, manager of the Federal Land Bank Association of Dimmitt, announced Monday that the Federal Land Bank of Houston will reduce the interest billing rate on variable rate loans to 8 percent.

THIS reduction will be effective Jan. 1 and will affect \$980 million in variable rate loans to 17,100 Texas farmers and ranchers. This billing rate change will be effective on both farm loans and rural residence loans.

The variable rate loan was introduced by the Houston Bank in July, 1969 and allows the rate to fluctuate with variations in the money market. Improvements in the money market have made this billing reduction possible.

"This action is in keeping with the Land Bank's policy to provide farmers and ranchers credit at the lowest possible cost consistent with sound business practices," Upshaw said.

The Federal Land Bank of Houston makes long-term real estate loans on farm and ranch land and rural residence throughout Texas and now has \$1.2 billion in loans outstanding.

The local Association makes and services loans in Castro County. Directors of the association are George Sides, Richard Hunter, Irvin Ott and Doyle Davis.

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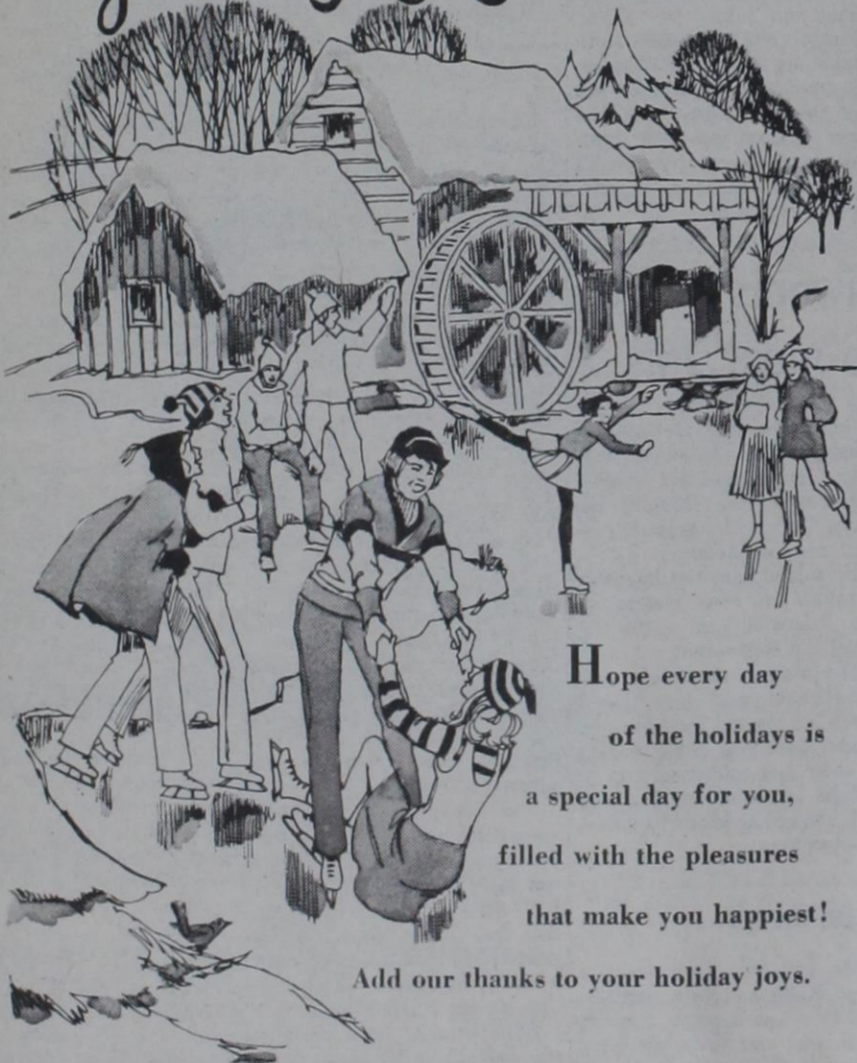
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