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# Merry Christmas

## LISTEN TO LUKE

By Albert---



Joy  
to the  
World

UNTO  
US  
IS  
BORN  
A  
SAVIOR

...May the reality of  
Christmas be yours.

The Gilbreath Families

## Four Named To All-Region Band

Four Sanderson High School Band members were named to the all-region band in try-outs in McCamey recently.

Hanna Sullivan made 10th chair in the flute section; Virginia Falcon made 8th chair in the clarinet section; Marvin Davis made 9th chair in the cornet section; Jimmy Davis made 3rd chair in the trumpet section.

Others trying out were Rae-line Thompson and Debra Druse, both in the flute section.

The all-region concert will be January 12 in Big Lake.

Dick Ramey, band director, took the group to McCamey.

## Christmas Pageant To Be Saturday

The Presbyterian Church is presenting a pageant at the church Saturday, December 22, at 7:00 p.m. The pageant this year is dedicated to the memory of Jim Monroe and W.H. Savage.

Everyone is given a cordial and sincere invitation to attend the presentation of the Christmas story in scripture and song, and the candle-lighting service.

Mrs. David Mitchell is in charge of the presentation of the pageant this year.

Mr. and Mrs. A.H. Zuber-bueler are having an open house following the pageant and everyone is invited to attend.

## Mrs. Lola Haass Dies In Alpine

Mrs. Lola Chant Haass, 70, died Wednesday of last week in an Alpine hospital. She had resided in that city for approximately 15 years, moving there from Sanderson prior to the death of her husband, Ernest Haass, in 1964.

Mrs. Haass was born August 30, 1903, in Rocksprings. She is survived by a son, Charles Ernest Haass, two grandchildren, and three sisters.

Funeral services were in Del Rio Saturday morning and burial was in the Masonic Cemetery.

Mr. Haass was formerly the roadmaster for the Southern Pacific Railroad in Sanderson and transferred to Alpine prior to his death.

Rev. and Mrs. M.A. Walker of Carlsbad, N.M., arrived Monday for a visit with friends and are guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton White.

## UIL, TEA Ask For Schools' Help In Effort

The University Interscholastic League of Texas has asked member schools to reduce activities and especially travel to help in the energy conservation efforts in keeping with the declaration of Gov. Dolph Briscoe. The emergency period for schools was called on the heels of the statement on the energy crisis.

"The energy crisis is severe and member schools should voluntarily adopt schedules and procedures which will help in the energy crisis, the league director Dr. Rhea Williams told superintendents, principals, and athletic directors in a letter on Tuesday of last week.

"Unless your cooperation is voluntary," the letter from Williams went on, "there is a strong possibility of mandatory regulations," he warned.

The UIL officials made a number of recommendations including cutting the number of non-varsity basketball games at all levels, scheduling only adjoining schools for non-varsity basketball games and perhaps playing the same schools a number of times.

They also recommended scheduling games so that boys

and girls travel together on out-of-town trips, starting games in the afternoon or early evening.

Some schools are changing hours of school to 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. when daylight-savings time goes into effect in January of 1974.

Action of the school board Monday night in their regular meeting, included the approval of the governor's conservation policies and the changing of the time of school after daylight savings time goes into effect, according to Don Allen, secretary of the board.

The recommendations of Governor Dolph Briscoe, with endorsements by the Texas Education Agency and the University Interscholastic League, were rather lengthy, according to Allen, and had been amended some, and possibly would be amended another time prior to final recommendations, but the board approved the recommendations as amended.

Some details of the proposal would have to be worked out with other schools of the district, it was stated.

The board also agreed to begin school an hour later in the day following initiation of daylight savings time in order to have school during the daylight hours. Classes will be dismissed at 12 noon for lunch even though it causes a short morning session and a longer afternoon session.

Guest Books, Bride's Books, Baby Books at The Times!

Mrs. Edward Kerr took her daughter, Jeanette, to San Angelo Sunday for orthodontistry Monday morning. She visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Mitchell, while there.

## Deer Lease Value Is Taxable Item, High Court Rules

The Texas Supreme Court held last week that the value of deer leases may be used in assessing the value of agricultural land for school tax purposes, according to information received by The Times Friday.

The court refused to hear an appeal by several landowners in Hays County who had tried to get injunctions against two school districts, the tax assessor-collector, and the board of equalization.

In a rather lengthy opinion, the court also concluded: "In our opinion, the secondary and incidental use of land for deer hunting under the circumstances mentioned does not deprive the owner of the benefit of (the constitutional provision) where his property is otherwise devoted exclusively to 'agricultural use'."

The high court said it found no reversible error in the civil appeals court decision.

What has to be one of the best old pictures yet published shows E.W. Hall, who was bookkeeper for Kerr Mercantile Co. in about 1917, at Independence Creek. The Star touring car was stalled and he probably had just cranked the engine. Notice the windshield folded for ventilation, the rifle in a boot, spare tire, extra gasoline can on running board, reinforced fenders on front, Mr. Hall's long-johns, etc., etc. This was probably the highway crossing at that time and the group was one of several overnight picnic outings. We will publish other pictures taken on this or similar trips and loaned by Mrs. W.H. Savage.



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### RANKIN TEAMS HERE

The Eaglette junior varsity played the opening game on Tuesday night last week when Rankin came to Sanderson to open district competition. The Rankin girls won 43-21. Susan Duarte was high scorer with 10, Alicia Montalvo 7, Tami Moses 4, and Gaye TenEyck also played forward. The guards were Rosa Carrillo, Imelda Escamilla, and Cynthia Allison.

The Eaglette team trailed 11-23 at half-time.

Larry DeVasto is the coach.

The Eaglette varsity team lost their first district game by the narrow score of 43-44 to Rankin. Peggy Louwien netted 25 points, Janice Carter 13, and Elaine Brown 5.

The Eagles won their contest against the Red Devils 68-63. Their fast-break plays offset the Red Devils' ability to control the back-board, and both teams were hitting on outside shots. Bill Mott hit 28, Darrell Cooke and Ricky Marquez each had 14, Jake Murrah had 9, and Kendall Billings 3. Carlos Munoz also saw some action after being out with a knee injury.

### EAGLES GO TO MARFA

The Sanderson Eagles and Junior Varsity went to Marfa Friday of last week for basketball games. The junior varsity lost their game 65-13 and the Eagles remained unbeaten in district competition by winning 61-59.

Paul Hinkle was high scorer with 4 points, Steve Couch, Mark Ketzler, Danny Montalvo, and Johnny Couch each had 2 points, and Tim McElhane had 1. Bobby Hunn also played. Willie Myers is their coach.

In the Eagle varsity tilt, Ricky Marquez was high scorer with 17, Bill Mott had 14, Carlos Munoz 13, Jake Murrah 9, and Darrell Cooke 8. The score was tied 14-14 at the end of the first quarter, was

28-28 at the half, and Marfa had a 49-44 edge at the end of the third frame.

### BALMORHEA TEAMS HERE

The Eaglette Junior Varsity girls won over Balmorhea on Monday night here. The final score was 31-16 and the local girls had a 21-5 half-time lead. Susan Duarte led the scoring with 11 points, Tami Moses had 10, Alicia Montalvo 6, Marla Bell 2, and Gaye

TenEyck and Susan Walton also played forward. Guards were Rosa Carrillo, Cynthia Allison, Imelda Escamilla, Debbie Tulk, Elva Hernandez, Jan Tatum, Debbie Sanchez, LaDawn Leach.

In the Eaglette Varsity game, Sanderson won 40-26, leading 28-13 at the half. Janice Carter was high scorer with 14, Peggy Louwien 12, Bryanann Stavley and Elaine Brown 6, and JoAnn Hagelgans 2. Guards were Janet Harrell, Vonda Wallace, Yolanda Rodriguez, Linda Hagelgans, and Patti Hope.

The Eagles stayed in the win column against the Bears, 55-50. The Eagles led 23-18 at the half and lost the lead twice during the second half. Darrell Cooke led scoring with 16, Bill Mott 14, Ricky Marquez and Kendall Billings 8 each, Jake Murrah 7, and Carlos Munoz 2.

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Modern Beauty Shop Althea O'Bryant

Mr. and Mrs. A.H. Zuberbueler and Buster Holland of Marfa, returned home Sunday night from College Station where they had attended the graduation program at Texas A&M University. The Zuber-

buelers' grandson and Mr. Holland's son, Scott Holland was among the graduates.

Mrs. Greene Cooke made a business trip to San Antonio last week, returning Saturday night.

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THE PAUL GALVAN FAMILY



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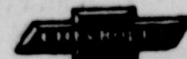


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**HOW MANY WISE MEN?**

Three wise men? In New Testament stories of the Nativity, only Matthew calls of "wise men from the east" - and how many wise men followed the star to the manger is not stated. The tradition that there were three probably comes from Matthew's description of three gifts - gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Another explanation for the number three is the legend that the wise men symbolized all humanity, in turn represented by the races of Shem, Ham, and Japhet.

Early traditions mention varying numbers of wise men. Twelve was the number traditional in the Eastern church, while in the West, mosaics and paintings showed sometimes two, sometimes three, four, or more wise men.

During the sixth century, the idea that there were three came to be generally accepted. In legends, the wise men were given names: Melchior, Casper, and Baltasar.

Although Matthew did not use the name "Magi", he implied it when he wrote of "wise men" for "Magi" was commonly used in Palestine to mean "great, illustrious".

Today, nativity scenes show three wise men or Magi present at the manger along with the shepherds, who hastened to Bethlehem on the night Christ was born. Some historians, however, believe that the visit of the Magi didn't take place until much later - perhaps a year or even two years after the birth of Jesus.

**NAZARETH ONCE DERIDED**

We recognize Nazareth as "the chosen city" and consider it one of the holiest places in Christendom. Such was not always the case.

Nazareth was considered so insignificant that the term "Nazarene" was applied to Jesus Christ in derision.

When Jesus called his first disciples, among them was Philip of Bethsaida. Philip went to Nathanael and said, "We have discovered the one about whom our scriptures speak. He is Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."

And Nathanael replied, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?"

After Jesus had spoken to him, Nathanael exclaimed, "Thou art the Son of God; Thou art the King of Israel." And Nathanael returned to Nazareth with a few chosen disciples as Jesus began his ministry in the chosen city.

Miss Manuela Rodriguez is employed at Morrison's store.

**CHEERS**



We're sending best wishes of the season to you and yours. Have a Merry Christmas!

*Jo & Bill Lea*



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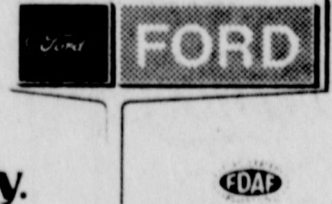


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## Yule Greens Set Scene For Festivity

From the welcoming wreath on the door to the Christmas tree glowing with lights and bedecked with packages, from the cheery poinsettia plant on the mantel or table to the sprig of mistletoe with its promises of kisses and laughter, greens and plants set the scene for holiday enjoyment.

Many of the greens now used for Christmas decorations once adorned pagan rites, and were credited by the ancients with certain mystical powers and virtues.

Today, using greens has become holiday custom, regardless of religious or symbolic significance.

### About Trees

Perhaps the most common use of holiday greens is seen in the lively, decorated Christmas tree found in many homes at this time of year.

There are many legends concerning the origin of Christmas trees. One belief is that the first Christmas tree was a palm tree brought from Egypt. The 12 parts of the palm were supposed to represent the 12 apostles, according to the editors of the Encyclopedia Americana.

The use of pine and cedar Yule trees is generally thought to be of German derivation. The introduction of the ever-green Christmas tree came to English-speaking peoples after the marriage of Victoria of England to the German prince, Albert.

### Mistletoe Magic

Ancient followers of the Druid religion were the first to regard mistletoe as a sacred plant, say the editors of The New Book of Knowledge. They supposed it to have panacean virtues in warding off everything from witches to disease.

Each year, about the time Christmas is celebrated today, there was a ceremonial rite in which Druid priests, using a golden sickle, cut the mistletoe leaves from the "sacred oak" and distributed them amongst the people.

The Saxons also valued this plant; they were the first to call it mistletoe. To them, mistletoe symbolized everlasting peace.

### Symbolizing Victory

In legend, the laurel and the bay have told the story of victory and triumph since the



*Greetings*

*In the spirit of this holy Christmas Day, we send greetings to all.*

*Sanderson Beauty Salon*

Mrs. Jesus Marquez Jr.

days of ancient Greece. Ivy was the convivial green of pagan holidays, and was

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**reetings**

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*Admiral's Steak House*

PAT & AMA LEE

FROM VISSOTZKYS  
 Note: Mrs. E.F. Pierson  
 received a reproduction of  
 a newspaper story about pris-  
 oners of war from the Spo-  
 kane, Wash., area, one of  
 whom was Col. Raymond  
 W. Vissotzky, husband of the  
 former Miss Joann Byrd. We  
 are printing that part of the  
 story pertaining to the Vis-  
 sotzkys.

Ray Vissotzky proves anew  
 this generation of Ameri-  
 cans that nice guys do not  
 necessarily finish last.  
 He spent five and a half  
 years inside a North Vietnam-  
 ese prison camp.

As do Spokane's other re-  
 turned prisoners of war, Vis-  
 sotzky impresses with his lack  
 of bitterness, his sincerity, his  
 desire to avoid attention, and  
 to live a normal life again.  
 Vissotzky's case is typical of  
 what happened here:

"We consider ourselves  
 lucky. So many ex-POWs  
 come home to broken mar-  
 riages. For us, it's been like I  
 was away only a short time."  
 He was one of Spokane's  
 "big three" prisoners of war -  
 those gone the longest whose  
 names in this city became  
 household words. The other  
 two are Wesley D. Schierman  
 and James R. Shively.

Of the long-held POWs, Col.  
 Vissotzky is the only one now  
 in Spokane and it's here he  
 intends to stay. He works at  
 the Survival School and on  
 his 80-acre ranch he  
 brought northeast of Spokane  
 which he dubbed "Thud  
 Ridge".

That is the nickname of a  
 mountain range in North Viet-  
 nam where American pilots  
 would turn to go over Hanoi  
 and where a lot of action  
 took place.  
 For Vissotzky, born to Polish  
 immigrant parents, the ranch  
 is a dream place come true.  
 20 acres of pasture and 60  
 acres of timber are stocked with  
 100 quail, 10 pheasants, six  
 raccoons, and assorted wildlife.  
 One of the two ponds is stock-  
 ed with 1,000 cutthroat trout.

"This place is an extension  
 of my family's desire for free-  
 dom," he said. "My father  
 was searching for the same  
 thing." His parents were  
 among the land owners of  
 eastern Poland whose land  
 was taken by the Communists  
 and who fled to this country.

But have five years in a  
 North Vietnamese prison,  
 some of it enduring extreme  
 torture, left physical or men-  
 tal scars?

The Vissotzkys say "no".  
 Mrs. Vissotzky said the first  
 week after his return "he  
 looked the same and acted  
 the same but there was a  
 look in his face she hadn't  
 seen before.

"There were lines in his  
 face and circles under his

eyes and you could see in his  
 face what he had gone  
 through," she said. Vissotzky  
 weighed 130 at his release  
 and now is up to 150.

"I don't wake up with night-  
 mares," said Vissotzky, who  
 added he doesn't even think  
 much about his captivity. Be-  
 cause of the rocks and dirt in  
 the food the POWs were serv-  
 ed, he suffered severe tooth  
 and gum problems and he  
 started grinding his teeth all  
 the time.

"I don't even do that any  
 more," he said.

The Vissotzkys on occasion  
 have noted that the colonel  
 sometimes has concentration  
 problems. Someone will be  
 talking to him, his wife said,  
 and they think he's listening,

but his mind is elsewhere.

"It's usually up on that  
 ranch," he said. "I'm always  
 thinking of what I have to do  
 next. I worked very hard up  
 there all summer and it was  
 good therapy for me." The  
 family also has a home in  
 Spokane Valley.

One of Vissotzky's major re-  
 adjustments was to get used  
 to his oldest son's shoulder-  
 length hair which he still

doesn't like. But, he said,  
 the son has cut it shorter and  
 his hair length did not inter-  
 fere with re-establishing his  
 relationship with the young-  
 ster.

"After the abuse we went  
 through in prison you learn to  
 develop a tolerance," said the  
 44-year father of five,  
 ranging in ages from 12 to  
 19.



**PEACE**

*May all the peace, happiness and blessings  
 of this holy season be bestowed upon you  
 and yours. A very Merry Christmas to one and all.*

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 you greetings and  
 sincerest wishes for a peaceful and happy  
 holiday! To you and yours... Merry Christmas!

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Merry  
 Christmas



Happy  
 New Year

**SANDERSON STATE BANK**

**PERSONALS**

Mrs. Karlos Kothmann and children have moved from the ranch to the Downie town house at 614 N. Third St. so the children will be closer to school.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Cox have gone to Houston for a visit with their son, Darrell G. Cox, and family before going on to Little Rock, Ark., to spend Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Tommy Hagan, and husband in their new home there.

Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Hahn Jr. left Wednesday for Burnet to visit her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Lea returned home Friday after visiting for several days with her mother, Mrs. J. J. Rogers, and other relatives in Harper.

When Mrs. Patty Phillips talked to her son, Dennis Phillips, in Houston Friday evening, he was making satisfactory recovery from orthopedic surgery when two ruptured discs were removed. He will be in St. Luke's hospital in that city for at least 10 days.

Mrs. K.H. Stutes was brought home Thursday from an Alpine hospital where she had been a medical patient for a week.

C.A. McFadin of Dryden has been a patient in an Alpine hospital for several days.

James Caroline took Mrs. Jim Kerr to San Antonio Thursday to visit her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Bernard Kerr, and children and with other relatives during the holidays. Mrs. J.D. Nichols accompanied them to Uvalde and will visit with her daughter, Mrs. Seth Davenport, and her grandson, W.J. Vaughan, and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Grigsby made a business trip to Fort Stockton Wednesday and then

went to Marfa Thursday for her to have dental work.

Mrs. E.H. Jessup took Mrs. R.S. Wilkinson to Alpine Monday for medical attention and she was found to have fractured ribs after a fall across a large chair in her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Cox went to Fort Stockton Monday to have her glasses and eyes checked.

Mr. and Mrs. Jolly Harkins were in San Angelo Thursday for her to have post-surgical examinations. They visited with Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Hanson, who are hospitalized in that city.

**Holly in Legend**

In the legend and lore of Christmas, holly has both a merry and melancholy significance.

Fairies, so it is said, loved the holly. They found its leaves such a comforting shelter that even after holly was cut from the trees, they lingered about, allowing themselves to be carried indoors, where they protected the home from evil spirits.

Later, Christian believers saw the thorny leaves and bright red berries of the holly as symbols of the Crown of Thorns and the sacrifice which the Christ Child, grown to manhood, made on Calvary.

Cross Pens at The Times

May the YULETIDE SEASON Be One of Many Joyful Experiences

**Christmas WISHES**

**TO OUR GOOD PATRONS**

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## Secret Grannies Honored by F.N.A. At Yule Party

The Future Homemakers entertained their "secret grannies" with a Christmas buffet in the homemaking cottage Monday evening of last week. Wynne Massey, the president, welcomed the guests.

Gaye TenEyck gave the invocation.

The "grannies" learned of their secret granddaughters when they were presented cognates by their secret granddaughters.

The meal included ham, turkey, a large variety of salads, green beans, sweet potatoes, peas, beets, hot rolls, tea, and coffee and dessert.

Gifts were exchanged after the meal and then Mary Escudero read a Christmas story, "The Fourth Wise Man", and

Christmas carols were sung by all present.

Mrs. Willie Myers, who has been substituting for Mrs. Richard White while she was hospitalized, sponsored the party, and the girls were assisted in serving by Mmes. R. C. Holcombe, Barton Massey, and Jim Payne.

Mrs. B.F. Dawson was admitted to the Fort Stockton hospital for medical treatment last Friday morning.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Ed Robbins and daughter, Johni Jack, visited on the ranch with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Riggs, last week. On Sunday, December 2, Mrs. Robbins went with her mother to Menard to attend the funeral of the latter's aunt, Mrs. Eunice Sutton, and they visited relatives in Del Rio enroute home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Mit-

chell and daughters of Stanton visited last weekend on the ranch with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Riggs.

Jack Riggs made a business trip to Sonora and San Angelo last week.

Edward Kerr was a business visitor in Odessa Wednesday.

Mrs. Richard White returned home Wednesday after being a medical patient in a Fort Stockton hospital 12 days.



# Christmas Joy

Humble shepherds left their flocks in the fields that holy night, and sought the Babe whose birth angels had proclaimed unto them. They beheld him lying in a manger in the City of David, wrapped in swaddling clothes.

And from the East, following the brilliant Star, Wise Men came to adore, and to offer precious gifts to the newborn King.

Today, nations and peoples share in that first Christmas, in its boundless hope and its promise of peace, with joyous celebrations. May you and your loved ones keep the spirit of this holy season always in your hearts, perpetuating its strength and comfort.

# DUDLEY



### Legion Auxiliary Meets Last Week

The Legion Auxiliary met last Tuesday evening in the Legion Hall in regular monthly business session with the president, Mrs. Dalton Hogg, conducting the opening ceremony.

After the reports had been given by the officers and committee chairmen, Mrs. E. E. Farley gave reports on several articles in "The Firing Line" and also told of some of the food items used by the Lipan Indians.

Mrs. A.C. Garner and Mrs. H.E. Ezelle were named on a committee to get some plans and estimates of cost concerning the repairing of the air conditioning system in use at the hall or replacing it. The group voted to make a \$25.00 donation to the Sanderson Ministerial Alliance fund for transients.

The singing of "America" and prayer by Mrs. Ezelle closed the meeting.

The hostesses, Mrs. Hogg and Mrs. M.E. Hope, had decorated the table and bar with holly, candles, poinsettias, etc., in the Christmas motif for the serving of refreshments, using plates and cups also in the Christmas motif. Fruit cake, pound cake topped with whipped cream, home-made candies, nuts, spiced tea, and coffee were served.

Also present were Mmes. L.

H. Gilbreath, Mark Duncan, Clyde Higgins, Carlton White and W.H. Savage.

Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Mangum and son, Den, have moved to San Antonio. They had a rock and cactus shop here for almost two years and moved their stock to San Antonio where they will be in business again.

Mike and Jack Wood were business visitors in San Angelo Thursday of last week.



May the world rejoice again, in Peace on Earth Good-Will to Men.

**George's Barber Shop**  
George Escobar

### Mrs. L.R. Hall Feted At Bonhomie Club's Yuletide Luncheon Meet

Mrs. L. R. Hall was the honored guest at the Christmas luncheon and party for the Bonhomie Club Wednesday of last week in the home of Mrs. T.W. McKenzie. Mrs. Hall, a long-time member of the club, had resigned from the club after moving to Del Rio.

Colorful decorations in the Christmas motif were used throughout the house.

Baked turkey and dressing with the trimmings were served for the luncheon with the guests seated at quartet tables covered in Christmas cloths. Mrs. Harvey Rogers brought home-made fudge for the party.

"Secret pals" were revealed and names drawn for the new year.

Besides the gifts around the Christmas tree for each member, Mrs. Hall had a special gift from the club.

The birthday of Mrs. W.J. Ferguson Jr. was observed and she passed around her birthday cards that had been received.

Those present were Mmes. Alfred Bendele, Ray Caldwell, J.W. Carruthers Jr., Ferguson, Carlton White, Rogers, O.J. Cresswell, S.C. Harrell, H.A. Couch, Hall, and F.G. Grigsby.

Mrs. McKenzie invited nine guests for dinner Wednesday evening, including Messrs. and Mmes. S.C. Harrell, Weldon Cox, J.W. Carruthers Jr., and Carlton White, and Mrs. L.H. Gilbreath. She used the same decorations and menu as for the luncheon and party.

### MELANIE HALL HAS 5TH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Ronnie Hall entertained with a party at her home Monday afternoon honoring her daughter, Melanie, on her fifth birthday.

The children enjoyed games and breaking a donkey pinata. The honoree received many gifts which were displayed.

Refreshments of cake, ice cream, and punch were served to 20 little guests.

### Automatic Pencils - The Times

Dear Santa Claus:

Boy, am I glad you use reindeer! And can see in the dark! Seriously, though, when you wake up to a beautiful sunny day, in a warm house and know you will have a day with good food and good friends, you are truly blessed. These things I have and these are the wishes I have for everyone.

Merry Christmas!  
Louise Causey.

The center of interest under the Christmas tree at the Bonhomie party Wednesday at the home of Mrs. T.W. McKenzie is pictured above. The Santa Claus is astride a donkey to emphasize the possible mode of travel of the mythical character this year. Mr. McKenzie conceived the idea.

**Greetings**  
May Christmastime joy and laughter be yours on this happy holiday . . . and may we gratefully thank you for your patronage.

*Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Cash*

**GREETINGS**  
We bring good tidings and glad greetings to you and your kin, with wishes for happy holidays and a Merry Christmas.

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**Merry Christmas**  
Greetings and sincere wishes for a holiday season full of the warmth of a good, old-fashioned Christmas.

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# Lore and Legend Express Happy Mood of Season

From home to home, from country to country, Yule celebrations abound. The happy traditions of gift giving, home decorating, carol singing, card sending, candle lighting and tree trimming express the merriment of the season. Popular folk customs of nation after nation have been absorbed into the international legend and lore of the Yuletide. Yet virtually every nation — and every home and family, too — has its special way of celebrating Christmas, and its special memories of Christmas past.

## Carrying in Straw

Straw is a traditional part of Christmas celebrations in Sweden — in probable remembrance of the first Christmas when there was straw in the manger.

While "carrying in the Christmas straw" is a tradition rather than a modern custom, Swedish people still make straw and wooden figures to hang on their Christmas trees.

## "San Tan Lou Yin"

In Hong Kong, Santa Claus

goes by the name of "San Tan You Lin."

The Hong Kong department stores employ elderly men who are specially costumed for the season. Just like Santa Claus, San Tan You Lin is present for the purpose of holding the youngsters on his knee and listening to their requests for gifts.

## Log Had Charms

In ancient Germany, the Yule log was known as the "Christbrand." One belief held that if the charred log was placed in a cornbin, it would act as a charm to ward off mice.

If the weather turned stormy, the Christbrand was quickly brought back to the fire. While it burned, superstition said, the house was safe from lightning.

## Going "Mumming"

"Mumming" is a Yule custom that originated in early England. Mummers, masked and in costume, silently enacted ritual plays about the death of winter and the old year.

The custom still survives in some parts of the world, although the plays are no longer

## Baking the Pie

"The devil dares not show himself in Cornwall at Christmas time lest he should be baked in a pie."

This old English saying takes its humorous inspiration from the wide variety of ingredients actually used in the mince pies and other Christmas pies of early England, according to the editors of *The New Book of Knowledge*.

One 14th-century recipe for a Christmas pie included: a pheasant, a hare, a capon, two partridges, two pigeons, two rabbits, beef meat balls, eggs, pickled mushrooms, seasonings and spices, all in a pastry crust.

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performed. Today mummers usually entertain with dancing and instrumental music. They are rewarded with treats.

Dear Friends, Great Joy to you this Christmastide. May love and peace abide with you in the new year. Hinkle and Naomi Boyd.

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# GREETINGS!

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for one and all.

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# O, Holy Night

May all the happiness and joy of this wondrous time come to you and yours, lighting your days with peace and contentment. And may each Christmas bring a new and glorious morn of enduring love and hope to everyone, everywhere.

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# "Christ Is Born"



FAITHFUL TO THE SPIRIT OF THE FIRST CHRISTMAS is "The Nativity," by the Florentine painter Mariotto Albertinelli (1474-1515). The simple scene presents the Christ Child, with Mary and Joseph, in a realistic setting, and background detail suggests a hillside manger, typical of the rocky caves which were used for stables in Bethlehem. Painting is in the Uffizi Gallery, in Florence, Italy.

Business visitors in Fort Stockton Saturday included Joe Causey, Al Word, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Druse, Mrs. H.A.

Mullings, Mrs. Petra Garcia. Mrs. H E. Gatlin was in Del Rio for several days last week to have a medical check-up.

### COMMUNION SERVICE FOR METHODISTS DECEMBER 24

There will be a candlelight communion service at the First Methodist Church on Christmas Eve at 6:30.

A cordial invitation is being extended to everyone who would like to attend, whether a member of that congregation or not.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Rogers made a business trip to Del Rio Wednesday and also visited his daughter, Mrs. Bob Wright, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Gilbreath were in Fort Stockton Satur-

day morning to visit his father, L.H. Gilbreath, in the nursing home there.

E. E. Harkins Jr. was a business visitor in Austin last weekend and also visited relatives there.

**Joyous  
Christmas Greetings**

As the season of good will comes to us once again, we take the opportunity to bid our friends a Merry Christmas!

*Bradley's Grocery*

Merry Christmas

To wish you all the truest joys of Christmas

JEROME F. SVAJDA, D.D.S.

Merry Christmas

Yuletide is the time to pass happy tidings... so share with us this Happy Day! Have a Merry Christmas!

*Eunice & Mac McKemie*

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Sleigh bells ring, voices sing out all through the land in friendly Christmas greetings. To these we add our own, extending to our faithful customers and friends the warmest holiday wishes, the sincerest "thank you" for your patronage.

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## Methodist Women Have Christmas Party Monday

In keeping with the Christmas season, Mrs. Richard White gave the program on "Christmas Traditions" when the United Methodist Women met Monday afternoon in the parsonage. She read several prophetic passages from Isaiah and led the closing prayer. Christmas decorations made a beautiful setting for the meeting and program.

Mrs. H.E. Ezelle read a brief story of the "little drummer boy" to open the meeting and led in prayer. During the business meeting, with the reports from the officers and committee chairmen, the group voted a contribution of \$10 to the conference Indian project and also \$15 for the committee on building and grounds to use in a project of making some necessary repairs to the art glass windows in the sanctuary.

Mrs. L.G. Hinkle, program chairman, gave out the new handbooks and also announced the annual call to prayer and self-denial on Monday, January 14, and the general meeting on Monday, January 28.

Mrs. Clyde Higgins gave the highlights from the newsletter concerning the recent

sub-district meeting in Alpine.

Miss Eva Billings gave a resume of two articles from the Response Magazine.

Mrs. J.C. Halbert presented the 1974 budget which was adopted.

Mrs. W.R. McDonald and Mrs. H.E. Ezelle, hostesses, served coffee, apple cake, weight-watcher's cake, and pineapple delight.

Also present were Mmes. W. H. Taliaferro and L.H. Gilbreath.



Mrs. A.T. Freeman went to Del Rio and accompanied her sister, Mrs. Wesley Fisher, and husband to San Angelo where they attended funeral services for the ladies' aunt, Mrs. Effie Green. She was buried in Ozona following graveside rites. Mrs. Green was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. N.P. Hokit who formerly lived at Dryden. She was the widow of Walter Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Rose were weekend visitors in San Saba with her mother, Mrs. Exa Estep, and her sister, Mrs. A.I. Sutton, and husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Corsey of San Angelo are visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Hanson, and family.

## Rotary Club Has Christmas Party

The members of the Rotary Club invited their Rotary-Anns to the annual Christmas dinner which was served in the dining room at the Oasis Restaurant Monday evening.

Sprays of red pyracantha berries decorated the U-shaped table. As a surprise, Miss Hanna Sullivan, Rotary sweetheart, had made and arranged the centerpiece on the speaker's table which was a blue candle in a wreath of gold leaves with blue velvet streamers extending from it, a replica of the Rotary emblem.

Mark Duncan, club president, introduced his officers and members with each Rotarian introducing his Rotary-Ann and guests.

Miss Debra Druse played piano accompaniment for Miss Sullivan to play several Christmas songs on her flute. They also led the group in singing "Jingle Bells".

Rev. David Marx gave the invocation before the serving of the dinner featuring baked turkey and the trimmings with coconut cream pie for dessert.

The gifts for the Rotary-Anns were blue car sacks for dresses and coats, with the Rotary emblem on the sack. A gold charm with the Rotary emblem was presented to Miss Sullivan.

Rev. M.A. Walker of Corsabad, N.M., a past-president of the local club, gave the benediction.

Those attending were Messrs. and Mmes. Duncan, R.S. Wilkinson, Ben Lockhart, Donald Turk, and R.C. Holcombe; Tommy Lowrance; Misses Maje Harrison, Debra Druse, and Hanna Sullivan, Mrs. Ruth Marx, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton White, Rev. and Mrs. David Marx, and Rev. and Mrs. Walker.

W.E. TenEyck underwent surgery Tuesday morning in a Fort Stockton hospital.

Mrs. W.J. Ferguson Jr. is visiting in Del Rio with her mother, Mrs. Burk Rose, and with other relatives.

Seth Davenport of Uvalde was an overnight visitor here Tuesday to look after business matters. When he returned home Wednesday he took his mother-in-law, Mrs. J.D. Nichols, to Uvalde to visit during the holidays.

**merry christmas**

We wish you, one and all a joyous, fun-filled holiday season.

**PRINCESS THEATRE**

**Glad Christmas Tidings**

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**Merry Christmas**

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## School Door Contest Winners Named

The Christmas door decorating contest in junior high and high school came to a close this week. Cash awards were given in each building in two categories, the door using a religious theme and the door using a non-religious theme. An award was given also to the best overall door.

In high school, the juniors won the award for the best-decorated door, using the religious theme. The sophomores won for the best-decorated door, using the non-religious theme. The seniors won the outstanding award

for their door, using the non-religious theme.

All of the doors in the junior high were most attractively decorated. Mrs. Bill O'Rourke's room won the most outstanding award and they used the non-religious theme. The best decorated door, using the religious theme, went to the special education room, and Mrs. Larry Choate's 7B class won the award for the best decorated door, using the non-religious theme.

Judges for the contest were Mmes. Charles Stavley, J.A. Gilbreath, and Donald Turk. The Christmas door decorating contests in the schools is sponsored annually by The Culture Club.

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### MRS. BERTHA COATES DIES

Funeral services were in Fort Stockton Monday afternoon for Mrs. Bertha Perry Coates, 82, who died in a hospital in that city Saturday.

She was the widow of the late Ford Coates and they resided in Ozona before going to Fort Stockton in 1932.

She is survived by a son, Bill Coates of Fort Stockton; two daughters, Miss Geraldine Coates of Fort Stockton, and Mrs. William Arnold of Encino, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. Collins Coates, of Fort Stockton.

Word was received from Mrs. B.F. Dawson Monday morning that she has hepatitis. She was admitted to the hospital in Fort Stockton Friday morning last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R.A. Lowther Jr. and children of Fort Stockton were weekend visitors with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thorn.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Haley of Marathon visited here Friday with friends and with her mother, Mrs. Lizzie Billings, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Hanson visited in San Angelo last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Hanson, Mr. Hanson being a medical patient and Mrs. Hanson being a surgical patient in the Shannon Hospital there.

### NOTICE

C.G. Morrison Co. store will be open from 7 to 9 p.m. on Thursday only.

### CARD OF THANKS

We are most deeply grateful to friends for all the expressions of concern to us during our recent hospitalization. To our friends in business, we have not forgotten you, but have been unable to write checks to pay our accounts.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

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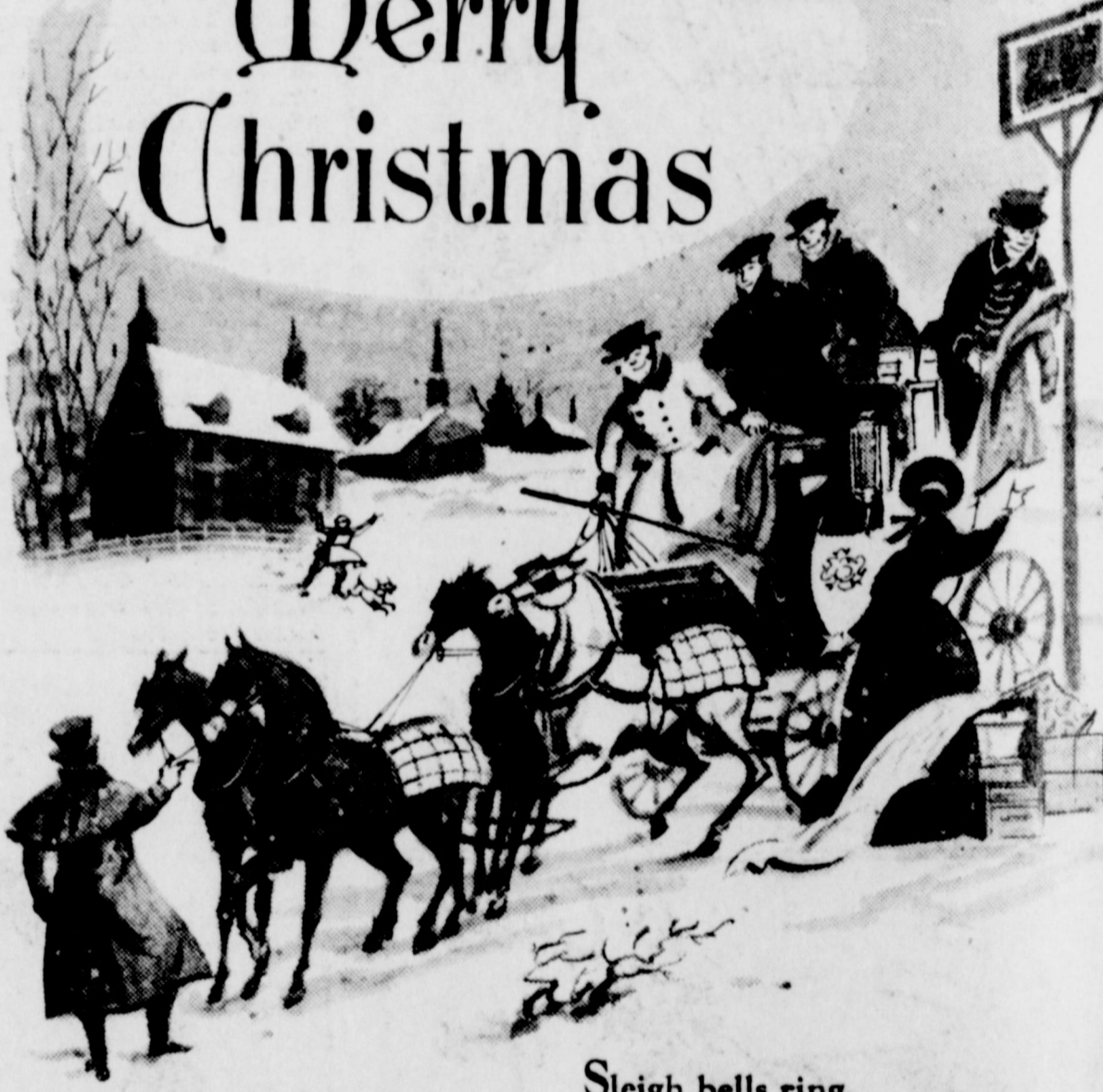
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