

A CHRISTMAS
STORY
BY CHARLIE SCHMUCKER

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A LETTER TO THE SIX YEAR OLD CHILD WHO WONDERS ABOUT SANTA CLAUS

Dear Little One:

So they told you that there is no Santa Claus, and the little thoughts in your little curly head are going round and round. Maybe there is no Santa. How could there be so many? Maybe it is only Daddy! And you are troubled and your little brown eyes don't twinkle when you look up at Daddy and ask, "Daddy, is there really a Santa Claus?" So climb upon my knee and listen while Daddy tells you a story about a good man who lived a long, long time ago.

Once upon a time, many years ago, in a country far, far away, lived a man who, I believe, was a baker, but anyway, that's not important, whose name was Nicholas. Now Nicholas was a rather little man, but he loved children and was always doing what he could to make them happy. Whenever little boys or girls who lived in Nicholas' town had a birthday he would give them some cookies or a toy, just to see them dance and shout for joy. Do you wonder that all the children loved Mr. Nicholas and would always shout at him when they saw him on the street. "Hello, Mr. Nicholas," and "Hurrah for Mr. Nicholas!"

However as the town grew larger and Mr. Nicholas grew older he found it harder and harder to remember all the birthdays of all the little boys and girls in town, and he felt bad because he was sure that sooner or later he would forget some little child. So Mr. Nicholas said to himself, "I must figure out some way to keep me from forgetting these birthdays. Oh, if they only had them all on the same day every year, then I wouldn't forget. That's it, one day for all. I'll pick out the day of the year when the little Christ Child was born, when everyone should be happy anyway."

So that's just what Mr. Nicholas did — every year at Christ's birthday or, as some called it, Christmas, he would dress up in his very finest red suit and red cap and with his sleigh load of toys and candy drive around the town leaving his goodies and gifts for all the children. Some people say now that the naughty little boys and girls didn't get any presents, but that's not true because Mr. Nicholas loved all the children and wanted to make them all happy. Sometimes the naughty boys and girls felt a little ashamed when they accepted Mr. Nicholas' presents and then they would say, "I'm going to be better next year, Mr. Nicholas. I'll mind mother and daddy and not quarrel with my playmates." Of course this made Mr. Nicholas very happy.

Now these little boys and girls were like all little boys and girls, they didn't stay little but grew up into men and women with children of their own, and their children would look forward to Mr. Nicholas' visit at Christmas and would squeal and jump for joy at his gifts just as their mothers and daddies had done years before.

One day two of the mothers were talking as mothers sometimes do, and they finally got to talking about Mr. Nicholas and how good and kind he was. "In fact," one mother said, "He's a real saint!" And as time went on people began to call this good man not Mr. Nicholas, but Saint Nicholas. Still later, as the years went by, I guess there was some child, I suspect it was a little boy, who couldn't talk too plainly. When he would try to say St. Nicholas it would sound like Sain-ti-claus or Santa Claus. Oh how Mr. Nicholas roared with laughter when he heard this name, so it wasn't long until all the children and then the grownups too were calling him Santa Claus.

But one year Santa Claus, as everyone now called him, fell ill just before Christmas time, and the doctor said, "Santa Claus, you must stay in bed and not get out in the snow and the cold."

Of course this made Santa Claus sad because he knew how disappointed all the boys and girls would be at Christmas time with no presents. Some of the fathers and mothers talked about it too, and they said, "What can we do? No Santa Claus this year. We must do something."

Then some very smart person said, "I have it, let's all dress up like Santa Claus this year, and take toys and candy to the children while Santa Claus is sick. Why I'll bet he gets to feeling better when he learns that the children will not be disappointed." Everyone shouted, "Why that's a good idea. Why didn't I think of it?"

So many of the men and women dressed up like Santa and carried goodies and toys to all the little boys and girls, whose eyes twinkled and sparkled, and whose laughing feet danced for joy just as in the years gone by, and not one was disappointed at Christmas time.

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All Stars Hold Famous Red Heads To a 19-22 Count

Monday night the local All Stars held the Famous Red Heads All Girls Professional Basketball Team, to a score of 19-22 before a jam-packed gymnasium containing almost 600 fans.

There was lots of good basketball played by both teams, and of course a lot of tricks and other funny things thrown in. It was a good show and the fans gave a wonderful response.

Pre-game activities consisted of a brief, but very impressive flag ceremony and the Scout Circle and Scout Oath, so important to the life of the Boy Scout, who were sponsoring the local appearance of the Red Heads. Also the players of each team were presented individually, and all were given a great hand.

As sponsors of this sport innovation the Scouts were very well pleased, and to all who made the affair such a financial success, they send their personal thanks.

Tonight our Boy Scouts, with their little girl friends whom they have invited to come along, will sing Christmas carols about town, hoping to cheer some one along, and to make Christmas just a little happier for all, as they continue to do their good turns in the Scouts' helpful way.

Contact Officer Changes Schedule For This Week

Veterans Administration Representative W. G. Payne of Stephenville who visits Hico on alternate Thursdays for the purpose of assisting Veterans with problems concerning the VA, will change his schedule to Friday of this week on account of the Christmas holiday.

The meeting place will not be changed and he will be at the City Hall from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m.

RECOVERING FROM SURGERY

Mrs. Elva Malone, wife of the late Arlie C. Malone and daughter of the late Hugh and Lola Cox of Fort Worth, is in Mercy Hospital in San Diego, Calif., where she is reported to be recovering satisfactorily from a major operation performed on December 11. Mrs. Malone's home is in San Diego, but she often visits in Hico and Fairview, where the family has many friends who will regret to learn of her recent illness.

much fun making the boys and girls happy last year that we are not ever going to quit."

And they didn't. As the years rolled by it appeared as if there were many Santa Clauses. In fact, no one knew just when the first Mr. Nicholas died or disappeared because by that time Santa Clauses had spread out over all the world until today wherever little children sing and play you will always find a Santa Claus at Christmas time.

Is there really a Santa Claus? Come with Daddy on a little make-believe trip. Look, over there is a farmer on a tractor, plowing in the field on a cold blustery day, but he is smiling to himself, as he thinks of how his little boy will laugh in the morning at the toys he will find under the Christmas tree!

Look, there is a man dressed in a nice suit in an office, busy over some papers, and he has a worried look on his face, but then the telephone rings and as he answers it he smiles and says, "Yes, I'll be home in the morning. I want to see Martha Ann's face when she finds the doll."

Yes, and look down there, way down deep in the ground. Why, there's a coal miner whose clothes are grimy and his face is covered with black coal dust, and he is tired from his hard work, but then he thinks of the big hug that he will get when his little boy finds the shiny, red wagon in the morning and a big tear of unashamed joy trickles down his cheek, leaving a funny white line where it washed away the coal dust.

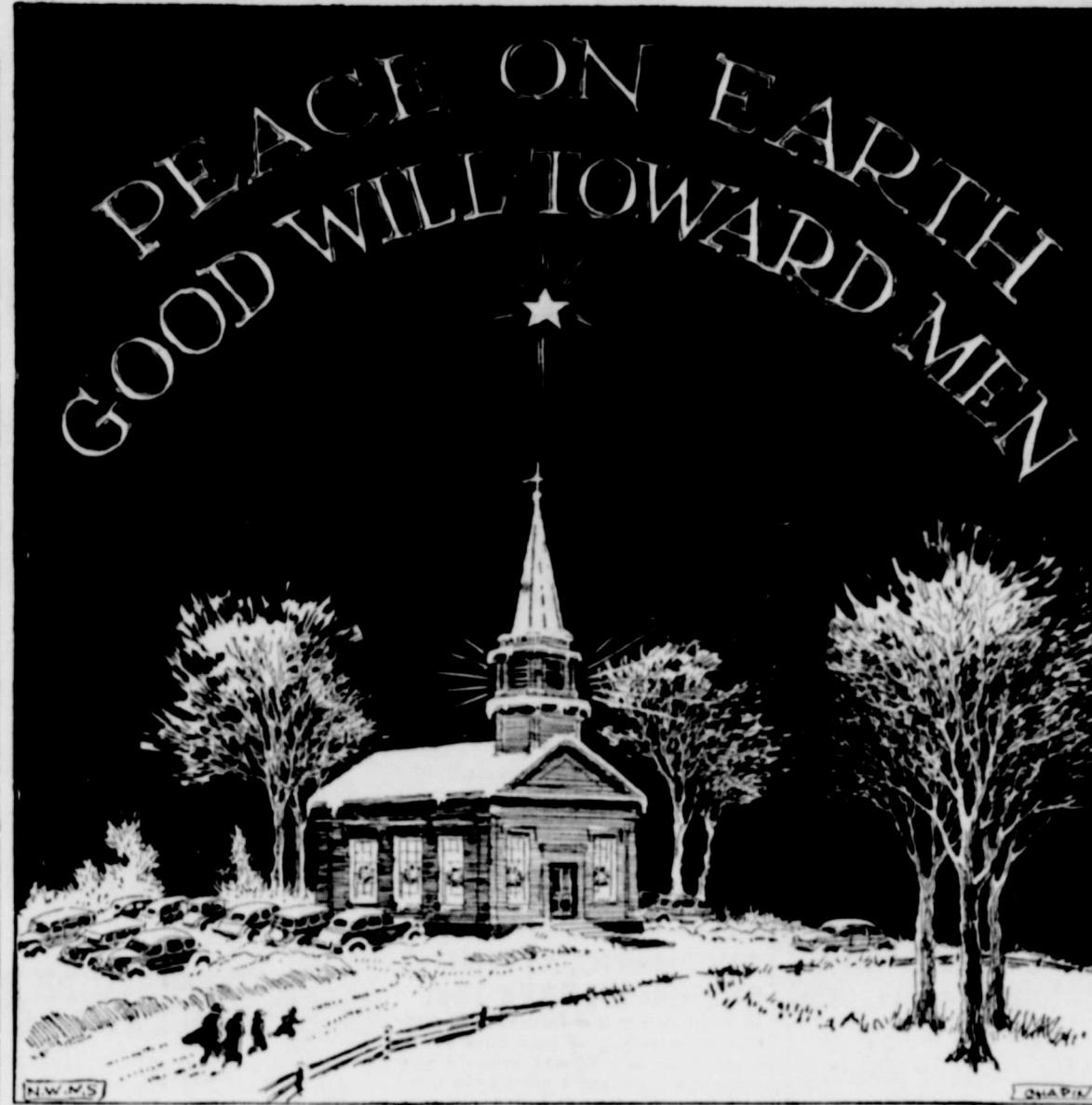
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Still The Old Tale Endures



A Christmas Greeting

GUEST EDITORIAL

By O. J. ROBINSON, Pastor First Baptist Church

The joyful music of returning Christmas comes again throughout all Christendom. And, again, as of yore, brings its challenge of hope and faith as we catch afresh the soft refrain of that Angelic Symphony of the long-ago: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." In this hour of global struggle and political bewilderment, man, in his quest for peace of mind and conscience, must still look to the Bible, the Church of God, and to the secret place of prayer for all abiding hope. Apart from such refuge we are left without Chart or Compass on life's stormy voyage.

How fittingly then, at this beckoning season, that we should be joined together in renewed faith and prayer that the eternal Prince of Peace shall touch us to new heights of gratitude for personal blessings, and to a more tolerant trend toward all mankind. Preeminently, at this Yule-tide season, we ought to pray for the weak and underprivileged (and their name is legion); for all who keep punctual tryst with grief, and for any who must keep a watchful vigil with pain. We should remember all those too, whose faith falters in the midst of mysterious providence, and for some who watch with wearied eyes for ships that can never come in. Finally, and perhaps as never before, we should pray for those whose cheeks are flushed with the pride of new-born wealth in these eventful days of national prosperity. They need our prayer that they may be given grace to bear the full cup of prosperity with becoming humility; that they have a generous outlook for suffering humanity and for the spread of the gospel around this war-torn earth.

As we approach another anniversary of our Saviour's nativity, we would be reminded of His sermon on the Mount of Olives. The doctrine proclaimed in that message is the solution for all our problems — social, racial, economical, political and religious. In it is the unmistakably clear teaching that the whole world is a vast neighborhood; that neither nations or individuals can live to themselves. Then, may these hallowed festive days incline us to deeper reverence, adoration and purpose of heart. As we are reminded again, of the Babe of Bethlehem and of the Man of Calvary, we should understand that nothing is eternal save character, integrity, love and unselfish service. By such understanding and Christian bearing, even if the right path to choose may sometimes lead us into the night, we can always have these immortal words to sustain us: It is better to walk with God in the night, than to walk alone, at noon-day."

This, then, of holy origin, is my Christmas Greeting to one and all: "The Lord bless thee, and keep thee; the Lord make His face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee; the Lord lift up His countenance upon thee; and give thee peace."

Veterans' News

New Surfacing for Two County Highways Has Been Ordered

The Veterans Administration receives hundreds of letters, applications and other documents daily without sufficient identification.

The failure of veterans, schools, training establishments and others to include the claim number, insurance number, or other identifications makes it difficult for VA to give prompt attention to the claim involved.

All VA records are maintained on a claim number or insurance number basis. Before action may be taken, an individual search must be made to obtain the numbers or other identification. This involves time and effort of VA employees who could be doing other necessary work.

VA urges every person who contacts VA by letter, or in person, to always use a claim or insurance number. If these numbers are not known, sufficient identification such as service serial number, date of birth, full name and address, service rank and organization, and date of discharge should be included.

Veterans acquiring dependents after entering training under the GI Bill as single men should notify the Veterans Administration immediately so that an adjustment may be made in their subsistence allowances.

The work will be done in the Spring and Summer months of 1948 when the next construction season brings favorable weather conditions.

Review Club Has Christmas Party At Carson Home

On Thursday, December 18, the Hico Review Club met in the beautifully decorated home of Mrs. W. W. Carson, who was hostess.

The house was alight with candles galore, and the lovely Christmas tree which was hung with bright balls and silver snow held gifts for all.

Another attractive feature was the dining table which was laid with a pretty damask cloth with the silver service at each end of the table. The centerpiece was a cluster of evergreens, magnolia leaves, tinsel balls, and tall candles in the center.

There were cookies and sandwiches of many different varieties in all their gaiety: olives, roasted nuts, a snow-covered mountain peak of congealed salad, and coffee and tea.

Mrs. J. L. Ray poured coffee, and Mrs. O. J. Robinson poured tea.

After the buffet supper Mrs. Louise Bryan Angell read "The Legend of the Christmas Rose" by Mrs. Boyce.

Mrs. J. T. Appleby read three poems by Grace Noll Crowell, "Let Us Keep Christmas," "Peace," and "Christmas in the South."

The club members sang some carols, among which were "Silent Night," "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," and "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Mrs. Wood then led the group in "broken record" singing of "Jingle Bells."

One associate member, Mrs. Morse Ross, was present, and one guest, Mrs. C. M. Hellums of Del Rio.

REPORTER

"Block 2400" comprising 74 acres and about 15 buildings in Camp Bowie, Brownwood, has been sold to the Brownwood Livestock Exposition for \$27,000. Officials plan to hold their annual fair there.

Worker's Conference

of the

Hamilton County Baptist Association

Meeting with the

CARLTON CHURCH

Monday, January 5, 1948

Morning Session

10:00	Congregational singing, prayer
10:05	"Our Sunday Schools, Work and Aim" Mr. A. M. Abernathy
10:20	"Our Training Unions, Work and Aim" Mrs. Chester Sylvester
10:35	"Our Woman's Missionary Unions, Work and Aim" Mrs. R. C. Tennison
10:50	"Our Brotherhoods, Work and Aim" Rev. James L. Smart
11:05	Special Announcements and Music
11:15	Sermon Rev. G. U. Walser
12:00	Noon: Lunch

Afternoon Session

1:15	Executive Board meeting, and W. M. U. meeting
2:00	"Our Vacational Bible Schools, Work and Aim" Rev. M. B. Carroll, District Promoter, Brady, Texas
2:30	Adjourn

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resided for many years near Cranfills Gap. She leaves to mourn her loss, three brothers, namely, August and Emil of Cranfills Gap and Chris of West Texas, and three sisters, Mrs. Alma Jenson, Mrs. Carolina Mickelson, and Mrs. Christiansen Anderson, all of Cranfills Gap. One brother, Otto Enger of Brady, and her parents had preceded her in death. She also leaves many nephews and nieces and other relatives. Three nephews, sons of Chris Enger, sang a trio, "Shall We Gather At the River?" at the Hico service. The floral offering was beautiful. The writer was unable to attend the latter service, since we were taking our sister, Mrs. Myrtle Enger of Brady, to Dublin to catch an afternoon bus for her return home. We extend our deepest sympathy to all the relatives of this dear one who has only left us for a while. She was loved by all who knew her and may we not forget her blessed example during her earthly stay here. One brother, Chris, was unable to attend services due to a paralytic stroke suffered recently.

A short funeral service was held for Miss Hannah Enger at 1 p.m. on Tuesday of last week at the funeral home in Hico, where her many friends she has acquired since making her home there, gathered to pay their tribute of love and respect. A second service was held at the Lutheran Church in Cranfills Gap at 2:30 p.m. with interment in the Rock Creek Cemetery. Miss Enger was 63 years of age and was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Hans Enger who

Mrs. Rob Hutton and sons of Stephenville spent Sunday here, visiting relatives.

Mrs. V. H. Heyroth of Gatesville visited a while Sunday afternoon in the home of her mother, Mrs. A. L. Newman, and sisters, Mrs. E. M. Hoover and Mrs. J. O. Richardson. She was accompanied by a friend, Mrs. Blacklock, also of Gatesville, who visited in the Pedro Jones home at Lanham.

Joe D. Betts, CETM, of Treasure Island, Calif., came in Sunday for a holiday visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Betts.

Word received from our sister-in-law, Mrs. Lucy Burden, was to the effect that she is much better and is now able to sit up in a chair a short while at intervals. She would appreciate Christmas cards and letters from her friends. Her address is 4606 Balfour Ave., Dallas, Texas.

Wishing all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Santa Claus was a short roly-poly gentleman habitually clad in red with flowing white beard. He drove through the world Christmas Eve in a heavily-laden sleigh drawn by eight dashing reindeer.

It's a beautiful old myth—as much a part of the joyous Christmas season as is our annual wish for a Merry Yuletide for you and yours!



19 Our wish for you at
Christmastide

**THE QUIET JOYS
OF HOME
AND FIRESIDE**

... the family gathered
around the heavily-laden
table... turkey and dress-
ing, mince and pumpkin
pies... the Christmas tree
with its tinsel... the toys
beneath... May you enjoy
these deep sweet pleasures
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**After the Wreck Is
Too Late to Decide
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Austin, Dec. 29.—"The only way to avoid the useless waste of life due to traffic accidents is to prevent the accident," reads a warning issued by Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

"It is not a question of who is right and who is wrong after the accident has occurred," he said, "and automobile accidents never happen because of 'bad luck'—there is a definite cause for every one of them, although it is not possible to determine the precise origin of every mishap."

Leaders of the safety movement agree that the most fundamental approach to the situation lies in the education and training of the individual. Safety education includes the training of individuals to avoid accidents to themselves and to prevent accidents to others. It involves the acquisition of a certain fund of information, the ability to apply this information to concrete situations, and the building up of habits which will make the application of knowledge to situations automatic.

"The dangerous curves and in-

tersections on the highways of Texas are distinctly marked, and automobile drivers can assist greatly in the reduction of deaths from automobile accidents by carefully observing these warning signs.

"Some motorists rely too much on traffic rules and regulations, thinking that if they obey the rules of the road at the time when an accident occurs, no blame can be attached to them. This is not true. The only man who considers himself blameless in case of accidents when he was obeying the rules of the road, is the one who did everything possible to avoid that accident."

The consequences of automobile accidents are so disastrous that only when we have done everything in our power to avoid such accidents can we consider ourselves, or expect others to consider us, blameless in the case of accident."

NOTICE
Annual Stockholders' Meeting of The First National Bank of Hico, Texas, will be held Tuesday, January 13, 1947, at 10:00 a.m., in the bank office, for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the year 1948.
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Christmas is the time of year when we are happiest to furnish you with telephone service. This year our wires will be carrying a record number of messages of joy and good cheer. So we suggest you spread your calls in the week between the holidays.

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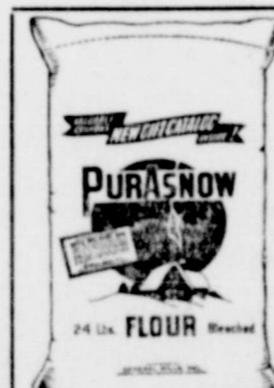
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Christmas season of unal-
loyed joy and happiness.

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Weekly SURPLUS NEWS WAA

Three days, January 7, 8 and 9,
have been set by War Assets Ad-
ministration for a public clearance
sale at the Dal 6 warehouse in the
North American plant at Grand
Prairie. War surplus originally
costing \$300,000 and including lots
of aircraft parts, aluminum, bi-
cycles, clothing, heaters, lumber,
furniture, paint and other miscel-
laneous items will be marketed
through informal bidding. Bid
opening for the clearance is sched-
uled for 1 p. m., January 9.

During the first twelve location
sales on surplus government
buildings conducted by War As-
sets Administration better than 99
per cent of the structures offered
found buyers. Additional building
sales are being held from time to
time. Out of 13,368 buildings put
on the market in the first dozen
sales 13,253 were disposed of
through the usual WAA procedure.
A total of 3,452 persons registered
in these twelve sales of whom 941
were successful buyers. The total
sales value on the more than
13,000 buildings amounted to only
97 hours.

Component tank parts, consist-
ing of floors and rings, all un-
used, are offered by War Assets
Administration on competitive
sealed bids until January 5
through the Customer Service Center
of WAA at Grand Prairie. The
materials are located at the Red
River Arsenal at Texarkana and
the bidding is open both to priority
claimants and commercial chan-
nels.

R. A. Dittrich of the Utilities
Service Company of Dallas was
awarded the installed lighting system
of the Longhorn Ordnance Works at Karnack. It was an-
nounced by War Assets Adminis-
tration.

A quantity of surplus structural
steel, at the Camden, Arkansas,
Naval Ammunition Depot, will be
sold on a sealed bid basis Monday,
December 29, through the Custom-
er Service Center of the Grand
Prairie office of War Assets Ad-
ministration. Commercial chan-
nels and priority groups are eli-
gible to buy.

Fifty-seven buildings at the Amarillo Army Air Field have been
awarded to various school districts,
cities and counties. It has been
announced by War Assets Adminis-
tration. Structures awarded in-
cluded barracks, recreation, la-
trines, administration, mess halls,
hospital wards and similar types.

Uncle Sam's surplus cranberry
pile amounts to more than 100,000
pounds in the whole, sliced and
powdered forms. Bids on this mer-
chandise will be opened January 15.
Priorities groups and others may
submit bids to War Assets Adminis-
tration Sales Planning and An-
alysis Division, Office of General
Disposal, Washington 25, D. C.,
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Never a Christmas morning,
Never an old year ends,
But that someone thinks of
someone—
Old days, old times, old
friends!

**DR. AND MRS. H. V. HEDGES
AND FAMILY**



Year after year we have been wish-
ing our friends a Merry Christmas,
each year hoping to make our
message a little warmer, a little
more personal.

It is with some such thought as
this that we now add this "Merry
Christmas" to the many that have
gone before, with the hope that it
will find you abundantly blessed
with everything that the magic
wand of Christmas can bestow.

**EVERETT
HOME & AUTO SUPPLY**
Your Local Firestone Distributor
HICO, TEXAS



May Christmas this
year bring you a deep
and abiding spirit of
serenity and joy!

Hico Frozen Lockers, Inc.

"Serving Those Who Serve the Best"

Dine With Us Christmas Eve

We Are Serving
A NICE TURKEY DINNER
With All the Trimmings
ON CHRISTMAS EVE
Instead of On Christmas Day
— Bring the Whole Family —

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— WILL BE OPEN AFTER 2 P. M. CHRISTMAS DAY —

DO YOU HAVE AN INCOME TAX PROBLEM?

If you received as much as \$500.00 GROSS INCOME,
you must make and file a return.

All Gross Income is not necessarily taxable, do you
have any doubt as to what can be excluded from gross
income?

Do you know all the DEDUCTIONS and EXEMPTIONS
you are entitled to take?

There are three groups in which you may file, do you
know the best one in which to file to secure the best tax
result in your case?

Should joint or separate returns be filed?

Farmers, and others who did not make or amend
declarations of estimated returns, should file not later
than Jan. 15, 1948.

If in doubt about any of the above, and many other
points that might affect your individual case, I will greatly
appreciate the opportunity to help you, with services
GUARANTEED, CONFIDENTIAL, and at very REASON-
ABLE charge.

—Office next door East from Texan Cafe, Hico, Texas.—

L. L. HUDSON
PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT



Mrs. Hafer and I have been in Hico a year now,
and wish to take this means of thanking everyone
for the way they have welcomed us in this community.

It is with this same feeling that we
take this means of wishing everyone a

HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON

and success throughout the New Year.

DR. & MRS. W. F. HAFER

Personals.

Little Jean Wieser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Wieser of Hamilton, spent the week end here with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Wolfe.

Miss Joree Seal, freshman student at ACC, Abilene, came in Thursday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Seal.

Moody Ross, student at the University of Notre Dame, arrived Sunday to spend the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Watt M. Ross.

Mrs. Dora Houston has moved from Campbell, Calif., to 1169½ S. 8th St., San Jose, Calif., according to information received from her daughter here, Mrs. J. W. Lovell.

Mrs. Z. T. Wilson returned home Sunday after a visit in Waco with her daughter, Miss Bobbie Wilson, a student at Baylor University, who accompanied her mother home for the holidays.

Cpl. Don Griffitts, who is stationed at Castle Field, Merced, Calif., came in last week end and was met here by his parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. George Griffitts and Judy of Midland, to spend the holidays here in their home.

Lloyd Angell, student at John Tarleton College, Stephenville, and Miss Frances Angell, student at TSCW, Denton, are at home for the holidays with their mother, Mrs. Louise Angell.

Ernest L. Barrow was down last week end from Fort Worth for a pre-Christmas visit, and in renewing his subscription made the customary kind remarks about his old home paper.

T. B. Lively, who has been working at Salinas, California, since his discharge from the army on December 29, 1945, arrived here last week for a holiday visit with relatives and friends. He was accompanied by his wife and six-months-old daughter, Marie Liane.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Bramblett Jr. of Shreveport, La., are spending the Christmas holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Bramblett Sr. Mr. and Mrs. Boody Johnson and daughter, Sandra Lou, accompanied them for a one-day visit. Mrs. Johnson is a brother of Mrs. Bramblett Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Stolzenbach and son, Conrad III, of Toledo, Ohio, are here to spend the Christmas holidays in the home of their sister, Mrs. H. E. McCullough. Other visitors in the McCullough home are their daughter, Mrs. Stanton Bundy, and husband of Roosevelt, Texas.

A note received this week from Mrs. Lorraine Redden requesting a change in address on her father's paper, C. R. Higginbotham, reads in part: "Well, this finds us at Midland and maybe settled at last, so we would appreciate it if you would send our paper out here. We must keep up with the Hico happenings, you know." Mrs. Redden's husband is stationed with the army on the East Coast.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Proffitt and son, James Lee, Mrs. Lucille Snyder and daughter, Mrs. Winfred Driver, husband and two children, went to Arlington Sunday to visit in the home of their brother, D. L. Wilson, and family. They were joined there by Mr. and Mrs. Ira Johnson and two sons and Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson of Waco; Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Brand of Granbury; Mrs. Delta Albright of Bokchito, Oklahoma; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Goin and baby, Bobby, of Dallas; and Mr. and Mrs. John L. Wilson and son, Jimmy, of Dublin. They all enjoyed a pre-Christmas dinner and tree in the afternoon, after which pictures were taken.

John D. Higgins of Gatesville was in Hico last Friday on business and visiting with friends.

Steve Lewis, student at TCU in Fort Worth, is spending the holidays here with his brother, Donald Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Randalls have as their guest for the holidays their daughter, Miss Dale Randalls, student at TSCW, Denton.

Paul Kenneth Wolfe, student at the University of Texas, came in Saturday from Austin to spend the Christmas holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Wolfe.

ROSS SHOP. Jeweler. 45-tcf.



- WE ARE THE WORLD'S MOST INVENTIVE RACE—AND YET WE HAVEN'T FOUND A NEW WAY OF SAYING "MERRY CHRISTMAS." MAYBE IT'S JUST AS WELL!
- IN ANY EVENT, WE CAN PHRASE NO BETTER MESSAGE FOR THIS JOYOUS SEASON THAN THAT ANCIENT WISH.

THE
WISEMAN
STUDIO

hark, the Angel Voices



We join with all your other
friends of this community to extend
to you a very sincere wish that this
Yuletide season may enrich your life
with its spirit of friendliness and beauty.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

George Jones Motors

CHRYSLER

PLYMOUTH



Santa is at the throttle and good fellowship
has the right of way. Full speed ahead for the

Merriest Christmas
of them all!

Times have changed since we started business in this community many years ago, and we have seen a great many changes. But one thing always remains the same. We continue to serve in the best possible manner the very best people it is possible to serve. We could ask for no finer list of customers, no better group of friends.

And to all of you our entire organization wishes loads of good cheer and a genuine old-fashioned merry Christmas!

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Richbourg

C. D. Richbourg

Ruth Christopher

CHRISTMAS JOY 1947

Down through the ages comes
the glorious Christmas story. In
this timeless, ageless season we
greet our friends and neighbors.

MR. & MRS. CHARLES L. ROUNSAVILLE
AND FUNERAL HOME STAFF

The HICO Theatre

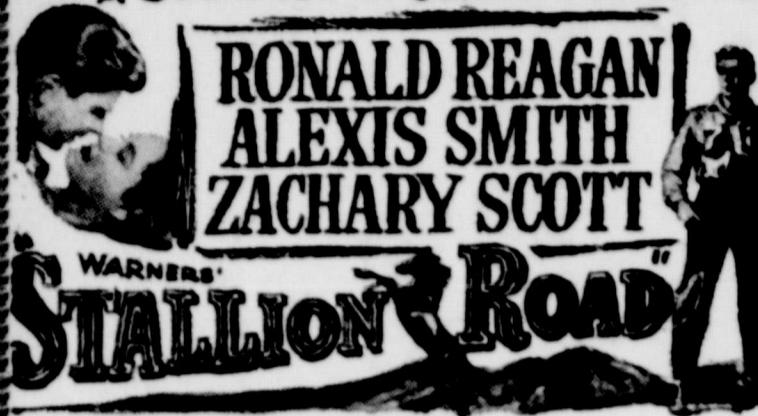
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"BLONDIE'S IN THE DOUGH"

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Butch Jenkins

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Kenny Delmar

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"IT'S A JOKE, SON"

SUNDAY AND MONDAY—

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— With —

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MIDNIGHT FROLIC NEW YEAR'S EVE

Starting At 11:00 P. M.

"UNDER-COVER MAISIE"

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With all the
joys of the season
to you!
GOOD HEALTH,
GOOD CHEER,
and a
MERRY
CHRISTMAS

MR. AND MRS. J. T. HITT

MRS. GLADYS HARDIN

COMPLIMENT FRIEND WITH CHRISTMAS FRUIT SHOWER

Several members of the Eighth Grade Class at Hico Public School complimented M. O. Burnett recently with a pre-Christmas shower of assorted Christmas fruits. They all met at the home of Mr. Burnett and his mother, Mrs. M. E. Burnett, and Miss Wynell Trantham served as hostess, being assisted by Mrs. Martha Crow.

Included in the number visiting with him on this occasion were many who had visited with him frequently "from the cradle up." The number included the honoree, his mother, Miss Trantham, and Mrs. Crow, and Margaret Hampton, Bill Jones, Louise Leeth, Bobby Watkins, Eugene Murray, Joyce Howerton, Bobby Louise Roberson, Bobby Needham, James Weldon, Buck Lively, Fred Jones, Lewis D. Parsons, John Phillips, Ansor Shipley, Marie Pruitt, Bonnie Pruitt, Glenda McCook, Gardie Lee Strother, Bonnie Jean Bruner, Douglas Howerton, Bennie Leeth, Wayne Barnett, Lois Randolph, and Mary Jo Carpenter.

CONTRIBUTED.

A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

Thy kingdom come, oh Prince of Peace!
Thy blessed will be done.
Thy Power and Glory be our strength.
Till faith is truly won.
To bring new courage and new hope
To peoples of the earth,
And happy hearts at Christmas time
To hail the Christ-Child's birth.
May every song of Christmas
And every Anthem gay,
Proclaim the joyful tidings
That Christ still lives today.
—Blanche Savage Moore.

ACHES AND PAINS

— Scientifically Retarded —
Free Counsel and Examination.
DR. & MRS. J. E. NICHOLSON



If we could—

we would say "Merry Christmas" to each of you personally. Since we can't, the next best thing is to put our greetings in print.

— Thanks to Our Many Patrons —

WEISENHUNT BEAUTY SHOP



• We wish we could send a gift to each of you in appreciation of your confidence and friendliness during the past year. Instead, however, we must content ourselves with extending the simple wish that you may enjoy the best life has to offer now and in the months to come.

D. R. Proffitt

"Your Friendly Magnolia Dealer"

YOU'LL LIKE...



For Particular People



TIME TO HANG UP YOUR STOCKING!

Whether it's Santa Claus, Kris Kringle or Father Christmas, let us hail the patron saint of children on this day of days.

Christmas is the season that, above all others, turns the thoughts of mankind back to the all-enveloping innocence of childhood—away from the pure selfishness and commercialism of the every-day world towards the joys of giving and sharing.

It is in that true spirit of Christmas that we wish for you all the blessings of this joyous season.

Barrow Furniture Co.

Wishing You . . .



A Bright CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY Carefree NEW YEAR!

As Christmas lights twinkle merrily in your living room, may they find you enjoying peace and contentment with your loved ones at your side, and may the joys and blessings of the Holiday Season continue to be yours tomorrow and in the years to come . . . Please accept our thanks for your patronage during the year that is now drawing to a close . . . and permit us to wish you Good Health, Happiness and Prosperity in abundance during the New Year.

COMMUNITY PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY

WANT-ADS

Classified Rates

The rates below apply to classified advertising rates, and two and three-time rate, etc., apply only to ads scheduled consecutively.

Words	1t	2t	3t	4t	Add
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16-20	.40	.60	.80	1.00	.20
21-25	.50	.75	1.00	1.25	.25

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An error which affects the results of an ad entitles the advertiser to an adjustment for one week only. After the first insertion, the News Review is not responsible for errors.

Business Services

For that Family Group Sick and Accident Insurance, see Chas. M. Hedges, next door to Texan Cafe. 27-tfc.

HIGH SPEED Floor Polishing Machine available at ROSS RADIO, tel. 217. Low rental cost. 43-tfc

Miscellaneous

FOR MONUMENTS
We have nearly two hundred on display here in our yard. We have Granite and Marble in most all colors. See what you buy—you can be fooled by buying from pictures. Located on Dublin Highway north of the West End Cemetery. Box No. 267. Phone No. 474.

PLATT AND REED
Stephenville, Tex. 7-tfc

Loans

We make G. I. and conventional loans, 4% interest. Buy and sell any kind of livestock. If you need a loan or want to sell something, you need to see us.

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Phone 23, P. O. Box 275, Hico, Tex. 19-tfc

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LOANS
— SAVE ON INSURANCE —

New Car Loans - 6%
In case of death, loan is canceled.

\$5.00 to \$300.00 Secured Loans.
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District Manager
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ANTIQUES
FOR WEDDINGS AND SHOWER GIFTS

Visit the Antique Shop at 194 East Long Stephenville, Texas
MRS. ARCH EVANS, SR.

— For —
INSURANCE

See
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We Have A Nice Display of Monuments and Markers At My Residence

And would be glad for you to call and look them over. Our prices are very reasonable.

FRANK MINGUS
PHONE 172 HICO, TEX.

Representing
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IREDELL ITEMS

by Miss Stella Jones, Local Correspondent

FOR SALE: Some nice used furniture. Lee Autrey. 32-2tp.

FOR SALE or Trade: 1938 Model B John Deere, and regular Farmall. B. A. Richardson, Rt. 2, Meridian, 3 miles east of Cranfills Gap. 31-3tp.

FOR SALE: Kerosene heater, kerosene 5-burner cook stove, and kerosene barrel with pump. W. M. Green. 31-2tp.

FOR SALE: Bicycle, practically new. W. A. Jenkins. 31-2tp.

FOR SALE: Good used electric refrigerator. N. N. Akin. 31-tfc.

FOR SALE: 4 ft. Kel. good shape. Norman Johnson. 31-2tp.

FOR SALE: New Five Star Automatic 20-gallon water heater, has never been uncrated, for \$50.00. See me at J. B. Woodard Produce or call 228. J. C. Blackburn. 29-tfc.

FOR SALE: A 4-room house. Can be moved in January. See J. P. Clepper, Hico Rt. 2. 29-4tp.

USED TRACTORS — We have on hand at all times over twenty good used tractors at reasonable prices. Dealer's discount on truck loads. Barbee Implement Company, Phone 5, Box JJ, Dublin, Texas. 16-26tc.

Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Tidwell and son of Brownwood visited his parents this week.

Mr. and Mrs. "Pete" Ellis of Tahoka are visiting his sister, Mrs. Laurence.

Miss Dixie Potter is visiting her parents. She is attending State University.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Oakley and children of New Jersey are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carter.

The vaudeville and other entertainments at the high school gym on Thursday night were fine and enjoyed by the large crowd. All done well.

Miss Elaine Hall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Royce Hall of Hico, and Carlton May, son of Mr. and Mrs. Miles May of Idalou, were married Monday, December 15, at three o'clock p. m. in a double ring ceremony which was performed at the Methodist parsonage in Idalou. The bride wore a sky blue suit with black accessories. Her corsage was of white roses. Miss Pat Potts, maid of honor, wore a light green suit with black accessories and a pink carnation corsage. Tracy Weaver of Idalou served the bridegroom as best man. After a wedding trip in New and Old Mexico, the couple will be at home east of Idalou where the bridegroom is engaged in farming. The bride was employed at the Veterans Administration in Lubbock.

FOR SALE: 2 Registered Angus Bulls at \$200 each; 5 Grade 2-Year-Olds at \$150. Robert Wellborn, 7 miles South of Hico. 32-1tp.

WANT TO BUY a good milk goat. J. C. Blackburn at J. B. Woodard Produce. 32-2tc.

Wanted

WANTED: To break horses. Plenty of experience. See Toon Estes at Hico Commission Co., or write Carl D. Estes Jr., Hico Rt. 3. 31-3tp.

WANTED: Lady to do house work two days a week. Will furnish transportation if necessary. Mrs. Fred B. Jones. 31-2tp.

WANTED: 20 to 35 white-faced cows by Jan. 1. Write A. Lewallen, 7405 Ave. F, Houston, Texas, or see Austin Dunlap, Iredell. 31-4tp.

WANTED: A reliable person to care for 4-yr-old child and do housework. Mrs. J. L. Goodman. 29-tfc.

For Rent or Lease

FOR RENT: Unfurnished apartment, 3 rooms with bath. Modern conveniences. John D. Higgins, Box 62, Gatesville. 32-3tp.

READY TO OCCUPY
Four nice apartments of 3 and 5 rooms each to lease — will partially furnish for permanent tenants — strictly modern. RUSSELL APARTMENTS

Phone 5 31-tfc.

FOR RENT: Two-room apartment, furnished or unfurnished; also one nice large bedroom. Mrs. A. A. Brown, Phone 2913. 31-tfc.

MY APARTMENT for rent. Close in Mrs. M. S. Pirtle. 28-tfc.

APARTMENT for rent, all modern, furnished or unfurnished. All bills paid. Mrs. W. F. Gandy, Phone 193. 22-tfc.

Real Estate

WANT TO LEASE or buy a small place. S. Y. Ferguson, Carlton. Tex. 30-3tp.

SEALED BIDS WANTED
I have the following for sale:
1-4 room residence with hall and porch.
1-Garage.
1-Smoke House.
1-Hen House.

This property can be seen at the H. A. Warren place, 6 miles north of Hico, on Highway No. 281. Sealed bids to be left at First National Bank, Hico, Texas.

I reserve the right to reject any and all bids.
Bids will be opened on January 3rd, 1948, at 2:00 p. m.

MRS. A. E. DENMAN
Rt. 7, Hico, Texas 30-3tc.

FOR SALE: 5-room house with 2 acres of good land, in edge of town. City water, electricity. Some terms. D. F. McCarty. 29-tfc.

If you want to buy or sell property, see Chas. M. Hedges, next door to Texan Cafe. 27-tfc.

FOR SALE: Seven-room house on one and three-quarter acre lot, well located. W. C. Watkins. 26-tfc.

IF YOU want to buy, sell or trade Real Estate, see D. F. McCarty, Hico

bock. Mrs. May finished high school here a few years ago and has many friends who send her best wishes.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kelly and children of Dallas and Mrs. Blanche Royal of Waco spent the week end with their mother, Mrs. McAdoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Foster Plummer of Crane are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hensley.

By the time the News Review gets to the many readers, all will be thinking of Christmas. I wish for one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

UNCLE HANK SEZ

A WORRIED MIND IS AN UNFIT MACHINE FOR CLEAR THINKING



CLEAR THE WAY FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Merry, Merry Christmas to you and all our friends on this happy holiday occasion. It is our hope that the day finds you truly happy, joyous and grateful for Santa's largesse. Make the BARROW FURNITURE CO. your furniture headquarters.

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*Christmas
Gay Holiday Season*

Time To Be Happy!

Christmastide is the one time in the year when we should all be as happy as a boy with a bright new sled. So let's light up our faces and our hearts when we light up our trees, and here's wishing for you and your family the happiest Christmas you've ever had.

L. J. CHANEY

GARAGE Machine Shop WELDING



One man — one of many — created a character who in child-like faith and all-embracing love will live through the centuries as the symbol of Christmas.
The man was Charles Dickens; his character was Tiny Tim. And in the words of Tiny Tim, oft-repeated, we'd like to say:
**"A MERRY CHRISTMAS,
GOD BLESS US EVERY ONE!"**

CORNER DRUG CO.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ogle and Employees



AT CHRISTMAS TIME

more than at any other season,
people feel friendly. It's in the
very air. In this spirit, then, we
offer you our best wishes for
a very Merry Christmas.

Visit Our New

RETAIL

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Now Open At

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It Would Please

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From
Tuesday Night
Until
Monday Morning

HANSHEW
LAUNDRY

Mr. & Mrs. R. M.
Hanshew

Carlton
By
Mrs. Fred Geye

Ernest Salmon returned home Wednesday from the Gorman hospital and is recovering following a serious appendix operation. He went back to Gorman Monday for a check-up.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Vaughan and son, Butch, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Partain of Waco spent the week end with their mother, Mrs. J. D. Upman, who accompanied them home Sunday afternoon to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Ola Hatley of Gustine visited Friday and Friday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lowery, and her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Rob Lowery and

daughter, Sylvia Lee.

Mrs. Lilla Byrd returned home Thursday from Stephenville where she visited with her son and daughter, Cecil Byrd and family, and Mrs. Beryl Cozby and family.

Mrs. Alice Holcomb of Seattle, Washington, is visiting with her cousin, Mrs. Purley Sharp, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ellison and two daughters from Crosbyton are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Ellison, and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Whitehead.

Nolan Geye of Stephenville spent Sunday with his parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Geye and Mrs. Dow Self and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Vaughan and children of Fort Worth were week-end visitors with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Proffitt and Melba Jean. Her sister accompanied them home Sunday afternoon and they will all spend the Christmas holidays at Lake Jackson with their sister, Mrs. Jessie Longino, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Stuckey and daughter, Helen Jeannie, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stuckey and children of Waco visited over the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fisher and Mrs. M. B. Stuckey.

Mrs. Dora Burnett of Lamesa visited Saturday with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lowery.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fisher left Monday to visit two of their daughters, Mrs. R. D. Ford and family at Camp Hood and Mrs. Herbert Stuckey and family at Waco.

Mrs. L. D. Sowell Jr. is expecting to come home tomorrow (Tuesday) from the Gorman hospital where she underwent an operation last week.

Mrs. Charley Munsinger of Dublin visited Sunday with her mother, Mrs. J. D. Upman.

Mrs. R. H. Gibson is visiting in Dallas with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Will Kelley.

Rev. and Mrs. Carl McKenzie are visiting at Lamesa with their daughters.

Dock Short of Dublin visited Sunday afternoon with his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Short.

Don and Sherle Thompson are visiting in Hico with Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Weaver and Ona.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Thompson and baby, Candice, of Fort Worth

spent the week end here with his mother, Mrs. Clyde Thompson. His mother accompanied them home for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Clark visited Sunday afternoon at the Gorman hospital with Mrs. L. D. Sowell Jr. Mrs. Shae Clark visited Sunday in Hico with her daughter, Mrs. Luther Burden, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Funk of Levelland, formerly of Carlton, are announcing the arrival of a baby girl, Paula Kay, born December 15. The mother is the former Miss Pauline Morgan of Carlton. Their other two children are boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Erwin of Temple visited Sunday afternoon with her father, J. B. Curry Sr. and her aunt, Mrs. Mittie Walker. Fred Curry and son, Billy Fred, of Comanche also visited his father and aunt Sunday.

Major Shelton of California visited in Carlton the past week. This was his first visit to Carlton in 62 years, and his one desire through all these years was to return to his old home town for a visit. Not many of the present residents knew him; one of them was W. L. Fisher. Major Shelton has been around the world several times, serving his country and has retired after more than 30 years in the U. S. Army.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Proffitt and daughter, Connie, of Comanche spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Proffitt, and Melba Jean.

Mrs. Lillie Anderson and her mother, Mrs. J. H. Tull, visited from Friday till Monday with Mrs. Tull's sister in Colledge.

**LETTERS TO
SANTA CLAUS**

Dear Santa Claus: I want a bicycle if you can get one. Please bring me a cowboy suit, size six, and Suzanne wants a rubber doll and a little toy dog. Thank you, Santa Claus. Your friend,

MAX JONES BURDEN.

Hico, Tex., Rt. 2.
Dear Santa: I would like a bicycle or a B-B gun. But I would rather have a bicycle—and some candy. My little sister would like a pair of boots and a tricycle.

Your friend,
MARK GRISHAM.

Church News

First Christian Church

We invite you to hear Brother William Le May of Dallas preach every first Sunday in the month at 11 a.m.

Sunday school every Sunday beginning at 10 o'clock.

Everyone is welcome, and especially do we invite each person who has no church home.

Church of Christ

Bible Study, 10:00 a.m.
Preaching, 11:00 a.m.

Communion, 11:45 a.m.

Young People's Class, 6:30 p.m.

Preaching, 7:00 p.m.

Ladies' Bible Class, Tuesday,

2:30 p.m.

Mid-Week Service, Thursday,

7:00 p.m.

J. P. WILLIAMS, Minister.

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First Baptist Church

Tuesday:
The Women's Missionary Union will not meet this week. Mrs. A. C. Russell, President.

Wednesday:
Pre-Christmas prayer and praise service at 7 p.m.

Sunday:
Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.

Robert Jackson, Superintendent.

The Training Union will meet at 6:15 p.m. Boyd McClure, Director.

Sermons by the pastor at 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

We earnestly invite all peoples, of all faiths, to enjoy fellowship in the church of your choice, at this sacred season of glorifying the incarnation of Christ, our king.

O. J. ROBINSON, Pastor.

Pentecostal Church

Study School Service at 10:00 o'clock each Sunday morning.

Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening at 8:00 o'clock.

Everybody has a welcome to worship with us.

DOLLIE LINCH, Pastor.

Methodist Church

Church School 10 a.m. Tyrus King, Superintendent. A class and a place for all.

Preaching services at 11 a.m. and 7:15 p.m. Each member of the church is urgently requested to be present. Visitors will find a big welcome awaiting them.

J. L. RAY, Pastor.

Primitive Baptist

Regular meeting, second Sunday in each month; Saturday morning and Saturday night before in each month.

ELDER J. W. WEST, Pastor.

Olin Baptist Church

Sunday school each Sunday morning at 10:00 o'clock.

Church Service, 11:00 a.m.

Training Union, 6:45 p.m.

Church services, 7:30 p.m.

Come to all our services!

REV. JACK HULL, Pastor.



With the friendliest of thoughts and the heartiest of wishes for a happy Yuletide.

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