

# Season's Greetings

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### Coryell County ASCS Office Texas' Finest

Coryell County ASCS Office is the Number One county office in the State of Texas for 1968, announced State ASCS Executive Director, W. Lewis Davis, Friday evening at the ASCS Appreciation Dinner.

The award is the third annual and places Coryell County's office in a category with highly productive counties such as Lam and Williamson Counties. The county office citation reads as follows: Awarded to Coryell County Texas as the outstanding county office in its class in the state in the administrative of Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation programs for the year 1968.

A plaque will be placed in the local office in the near future.

The ten employees of the A. S. C. S. office received the following citation: In recognition of your commendable performance jointly with your associates which has resulted in the selection of your office as the ASCS County Office most outstanding in the State in effect of efficient operation of ASCS programs for the year 1968.

Receiving citations and bonuses during the Appreciation Dinner were Clois Stone, office manager; Sterling J. Bernard,

vice-chairman; Jack E. Edwards, committeeman; Mrs. Adelle B. Jones; Harold H. Shulze; Mrs. Gussy B. Scruggs; Mrs. Madge A. Worthy; Mrs. Neida P. Wolfe; and John H. Stough.

The local ASCS office was cited for their excellent work in connection with the many agricultural programs. Mr. Davis pointed to the fact that Coryell County was chosen in the third year of the award as a great honor. He noted that many counties can boast of larger production totals and other quantity figures, however, Coryell County's office is one of the finest in the state overall.

Guest speaker, Congressman W. R. Poage noted the achievement as part of a top notch State program in ASCS work.



Pictured above are the employees of the Coryell County ASCS office, winning awards at the Appreciation Banquet held in honor of them, Friday night.

### Poage Reviews State Of Nation At ASCS Banquet

Congressman Bob Poage spoke to the Coryell County farmers and A. S. C. S. employees, Friday night at the A. S. C. S. Appreciation Dinner.

Poage noted that Coryell County A. S. C. S. Office is the best in the state and the A. S. C. S. State committee is the best we have ever had. Congressman Poage pointed to future agricultural legislation noting that it is "important that we have a common law built up over the years, but, we must make changes as we go along."

"We must seek changes in the agricultural progress but not such dynamic changes as to completely upset previously set traditions and prices," ex-

plained Congressman Poage. "The federal government should help those counties that are not able to help themselves," Poage explained. "It should provide help for those who can work but not profitably."

He noted that efforts have been made to balance the supply and demand for agricultural products. The farmer is unable to purchase with his products what he could do in years past. Poage noted that farmers are presently receiving only 75 percent of parity - parity being a relationship between farm product values and prices of commodities bought by the farmer. Poage noted that "if we could keep the range of prices from 90 - 110 percent

of parity the farmer would benefit."

Poage said Farm prices are down to 75 percent of parity at present. This means that the consumer is getting the subsidy not the farmer. Pointing to percent of total income spent on food products, Poage noted that "U. S. Consumers spend only 17 1/2 percent of the family income on groceries whereas people of Western Europe are spending 30 - 35 percent of their income on food products." He noted that some Asian countries are spending 90 percent of family income on food.

He went on to say that U. S.

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### Hornet Footballers Honored At Banquet

The Gatesville High School Football teams, coaches and managers, along with the GHS cheerleaders were honored with a banquet, Friday night. The affair, which began at 7:00 p.m., was held in the GHS lunchroom and featured an address by R. J. Kidd, retired director of University Interscholastic League.

Approximately 60 varsity, B-team and Frosh football players, their dates, the five cheerleaders, their dates and about 60 parents attended the banquet. After an entree of fruit juice cocktail, party crackers, the guests enjoyed veal cutlets, whipped potatoes, pickles, and congealed salad in lettuce cup; coffee, tea, hot rolls, strawberry shortcake as dessert completed the meal.

Introduction was given by Rev. Bob Richmond, pastor of the First Methodist Church.

Mr. Sidney Pruitt, principal of GHS introduced the guests at the head table, Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Patrick, Coach and Mrs. Jack Bell, Coach and Mrs. Jack Gunlock, Coach and Mrs. Grayson Wetzel, and Rev. and Mrs. Bob Richmond. He also introduced Coach and Mrs. Kenneth Marshall and Coach and Mrs. Bob Arnold Jr.

L. C. McKamie, Superintendent of Gatesville Schools gave the welcome to the guests and introduced the guest speaker, Mr. R. J. Kidd. In introducing Mr. Kidd, Supt. McKamie noted that Mr. Kidd had lettered in football, basketball and track while in school and had received his masters degree from Texas. He coached and was principal at Georgetown, so his interest in athletics began early and is still continuing. Mr. Kidd became Director of U. I. L. in 1938 and although he retired from that office recently, he has remained as advisor to the UIL. He has four sons, has served as scoutmaster; in 1957 was voted Austin's most worthy citizen and was also one of the organizers of Austin's Youth Council.

Mr. Kidd gave a brief history of the U. I. L. in his speech, stating that it first began in 1910 as a debating and declamation event, the track was then included under the UIL and in 1920, basketball was added as were several other events. And, finally, in 1921, football was included in the UIL.



Wayne Shirley, senior co-captain of the 1968 Hornets, presents roses to Miss Carla Pfeffer, 1968 Football Sweetheart. Miss Pfeffer, a Gatesville High School senior, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Pfeffer of Gatesville.

Mr. Kidd also gave a brief history of football, the rules and regulations under which the game was played in the early years and related several of his experiences in that field, during the early part of his career in UIL.

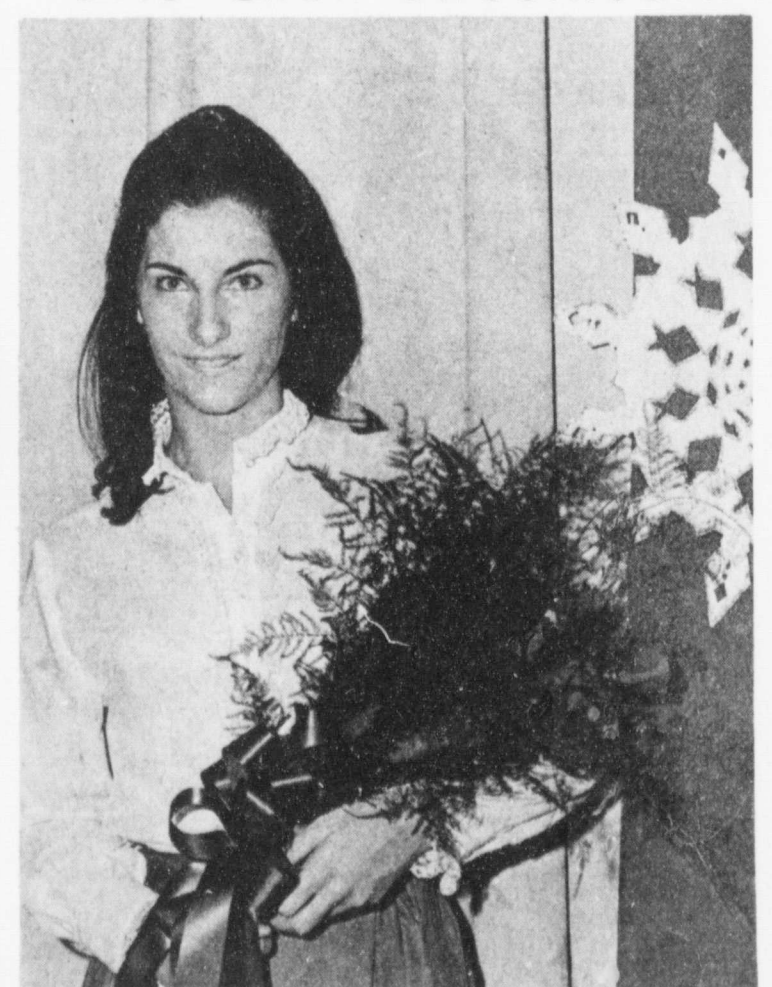
In talking about the modern day football, Mr. Kidd stressed the qualities of a good football player and that those qualities were also the necessities of living life to its fullest. That football is the one game that really tests the boys strength, stamina and agility. The emotional control, under pressure, while on the football field, was also that would show up in the person's life. To each of those desiring to play football he stated that if they

were not loaded with drive, not to play football.

Coach Jack Gunlock introduced his coaching staff, Grayson Wetzel, coach of the Freshman football team; Lowell Bishop, coach of the Hornet B-team. In closing, coach Gun-

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### GHS Choir Sweetheart



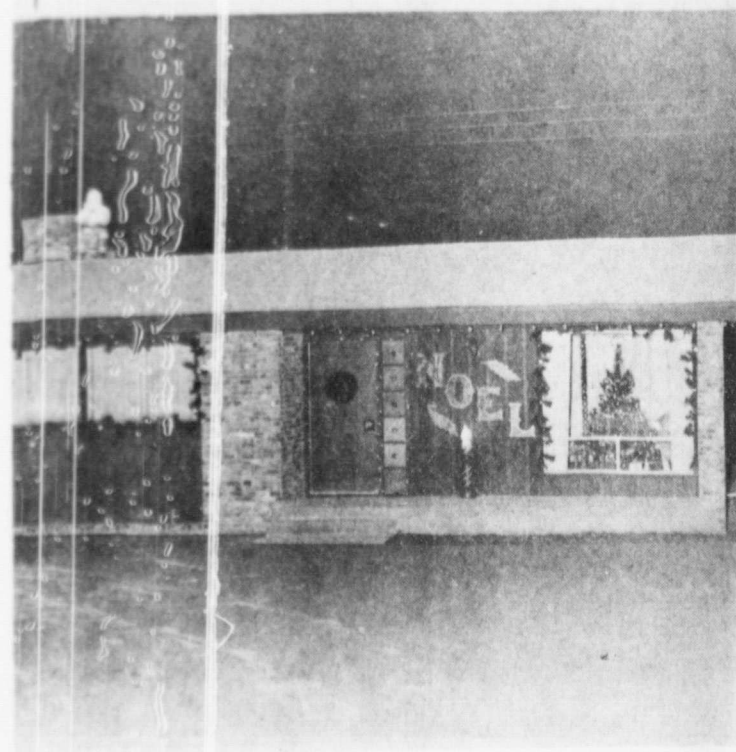
The 1968 Choir Sweetheart Miss Janna Bonner, was presented at the choir's Christmas program, Saturday night, Janna, a GHS senior, received a dozen red roses from choir president, Kermit Swindall. Two other senior choir members, Corliss Worthy and Barbara Lynch were the other nominees for the honor. The choir members also presented a gift to the choir director, Bill Rucker.

The Christmas program, held in the Gatesville High School Auditorium, featured the choir performing thirteen popular Christmas songs.



First Place

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Knox Whitt, located at 2525 Powell Drive, took first honors in the residential division of the Christmas decorating contest, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce.



Second Place

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Johnston's beautifully decorated home, located on the corner of Lovers Lane and Lowrey Drive, won second place in the Chamber of Commerce Home Decorating Contest.



Third Place

Santa, ready to come down the chimney, at the Charles Wise home at 327 Main, decided the judges to declare it third place winner in the Chamber of Commerce Home Decorating Contest.



Merry Christmas From The News

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lock stated that his years as coach at Gatesville had been most rewarding; but that now it was time to find a place to call home.

Gunlock awarded certificate to Reggie Schoenewolf as outstanding lineman of the year and to Mike Barr as outstanding Back.

Wayne Shirley, Senior captain of the Hornet football team, presented Football Sweetheart, Carla Pfeffer, with a dozen red roses. Carla is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Pfeffer.

After the introduction of the cheerleaders, Carla Pfeffer, head-cheerleader, Debbie Dyer, Jeffery Neal and Lu Lee, the teams presented their respective coaches with a gift for their year of "putting up" with them.

The beautifully decorated tables were under the direction of Mrs. Denny. An arrangement of mums in a football helmet, flanked by candles, leaves, and black and gold runners decorated the head table. Black and gold runners, leaves, candles, and miniature helmets decorated the other banquet tables.

My finances are getting in such a mess, you would think I was getting advice from the government.—Dale Holdridge, The Langford (S. Dak.) Bugle.



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Wallace noted Monday that Santa is still scheduled to visit the family, sometime tonight.

### Mill Unions Push Wage Costs Up

The Canadian newsprint industry's new agreements with mill unions are the most expensive in its history, according to the Newsprint Information Committee. Ratification by some local unions in the West lagged, electricians and other workers went on strike in several newsprint mills in the East early in September, and substantial demands by woods unions in Ontario are still to be settled.

In the mills, the gross money package finally agreed on was typically about 52 cents an hour over two years—35 or 36 cents in wages and the rest in fringe benefit costs.

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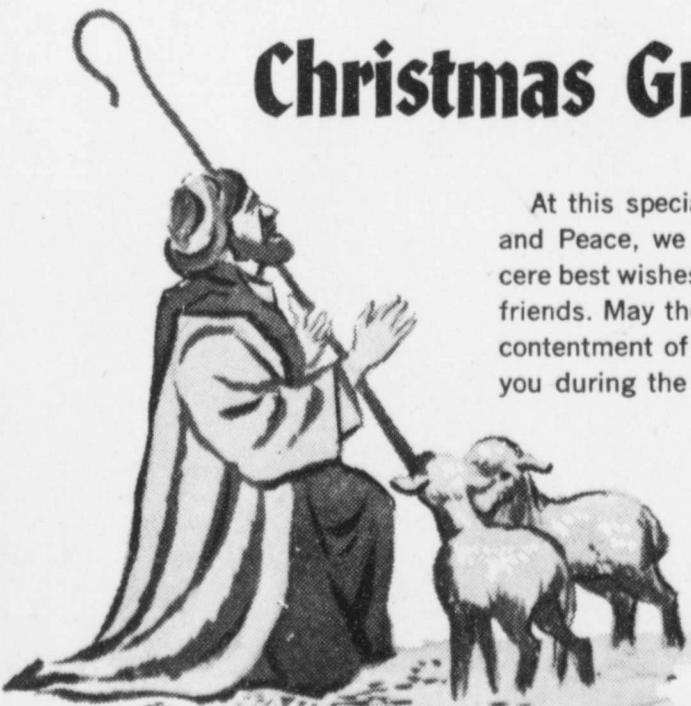
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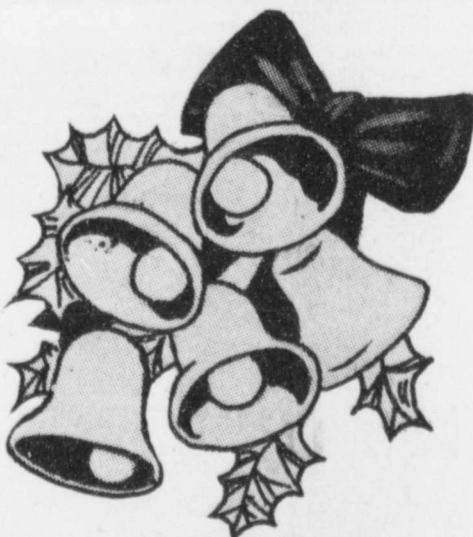
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## Christmas Greetings



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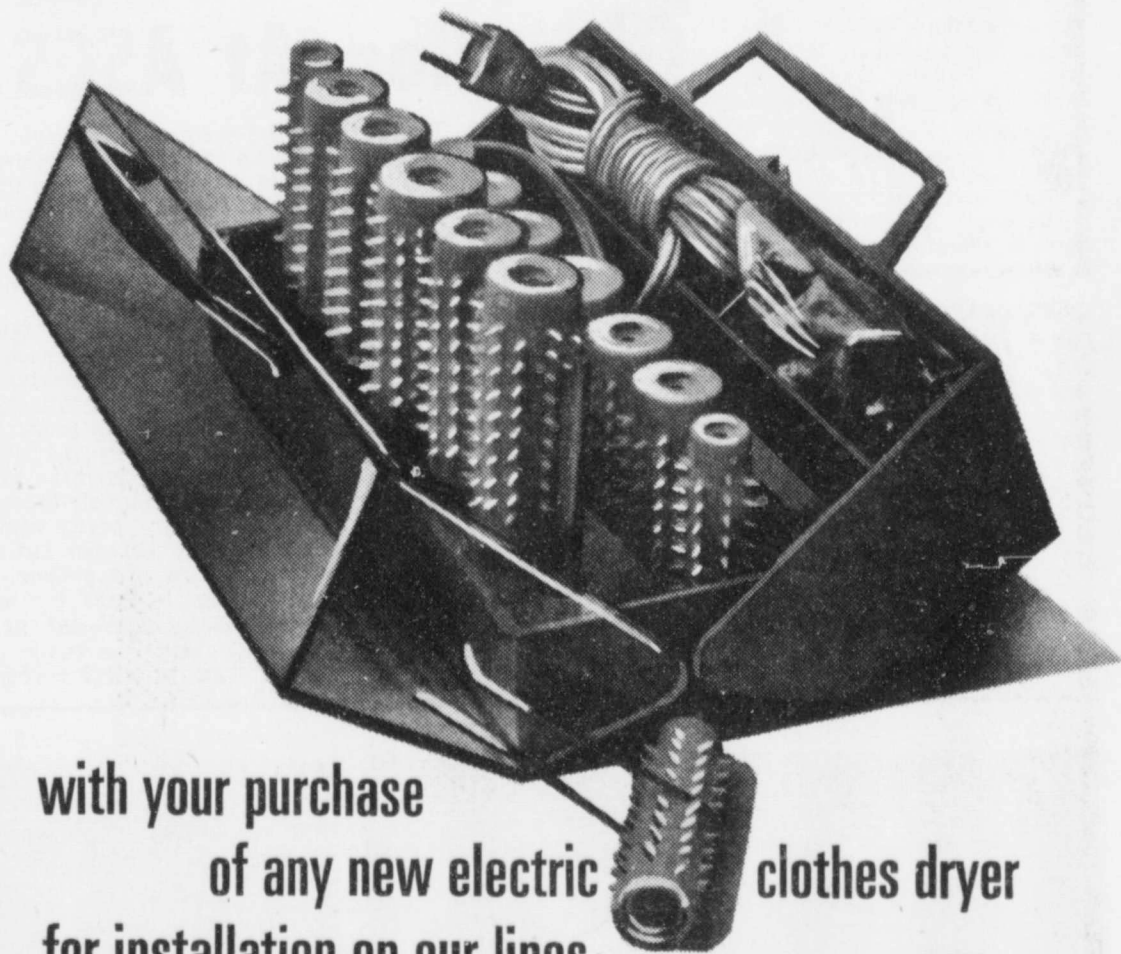
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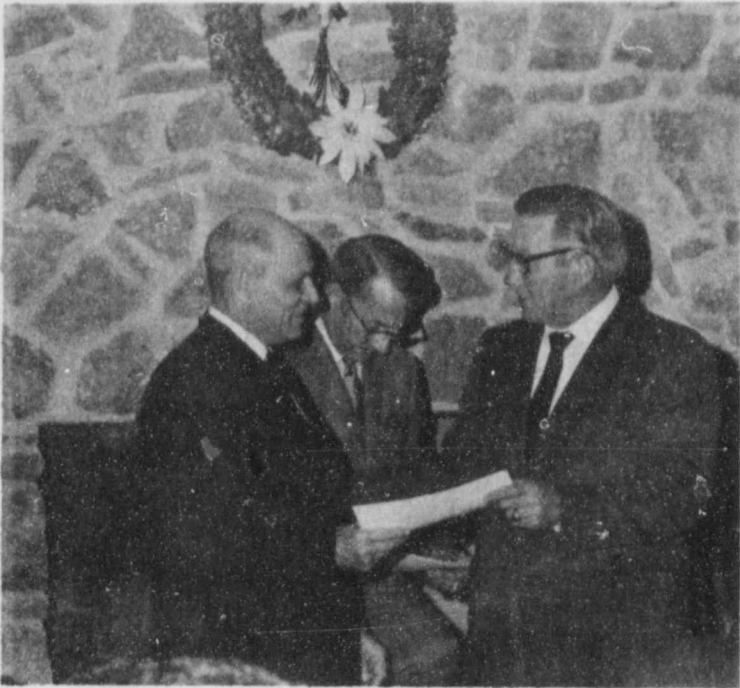


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Local ASCS office manager, Clois Stone, receives his citation from the State ASCS Director, Lewis David, during the Friday night awards banquet.



Mrs. Adelle B. Jones was one of the employees of the ASCS office honored Friday night. The office is the first in the State.

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farmers have the capabilities to feed the expanding population for many years to come if the nation is willing to pay the prices.

Concerning cotton production and market pressure, Poage explained that international cotton prices were determined by the producer with the lowest price in the world. A farmer must be able to meet the price to sell his product. If a farmer produces cotton on land that requires additional expenses his cost may be higher than the international price of cotton. He noted the government subsidies are our only chance to be competitive.

Congressman Poage noted that "inflation is putting a hardship on the power of the farmers dollar and making prices go up. He noted that the federal government needs to win the war on inflation.

Congressman Poage then turned to the War in Vietnam and the present philosophy of the fighting. He recommended applying adequate force to end the fighting with no delay. "Delay," he said, "will mean loss of American lives." The Congressman viewed war and tactics as follows, "never give the enemy a chance to catch up." "We are letting them catch up," he said under present tactics.

Concerning recent political leaders suggestions of pulling out of the fighting he noted, "if we pull out without gaining victory the communist movement will apply pressure in another area of the world."

Poage touched on the major problems in this country, crime. "You can't have a free country unless there is a stable government," he said.

Law and order will not exist without enforcement officers having the right and power to make arrests and interrogate the person on capture.

Poage noted that some college students and others seek freedom from regulations and authority. This, Poage noted, tends toward Anarchy and history shows Anarchy is always followed by Dictatorship.

He warned that under dictatorship the minority groups suffer most and many demonstrating factions under rule would not be tolerated.

### IN SERVICE

FORT LEE, VA.--Specialist Four Larry H. Wallace, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gillie Wallace, Turnersville, Texas, completed a 23-week office machine course Dec. 3 at the Army Quartermaster School, Fort Lee, Virginia.

He was trained in the repair and adjustment of typewriters, adding machines, calculators and duplicating machines.

### CUB SCOUTS DEN 2

Last week was party week. We had two parties, a Pack party and a Den party. At our Den party, we gave our mothers the presents we had made, which were American Eagle plaques and candle holders. That was our last meeting of the year. We will not meet again till January 8, 1969. For our Den party we served ice cream and cake for refreshments. Christmas time is fun in Cub Scouts.

Johnny Hendricks Reporter

## CLASSIFIED ADS

### Yesteryear's Customs Live At Yuletide

Candles and carols, trees and treats, gifts and greens—and Santa Claus, of course. Wherever Christmas is celebrated, these symbols seem to appear.

In the modern era of rapid communication, there is a growing uniformity in the ways that people everywhere choose to mark the holiday.

Yesteryear's customs, however, still have their place in modern celebrations. It's a case of "the more things change, the more they stay the same," as countries, communities and individuals seek to cherish and preserve their own special holiday traditions.

Some of these traditions, as treasured in memory or kept alive in holiday ritual, are compiled in the following paragraphs, according to information from the editors of Encyclopedia International.

### It's a Mystery

Mysterious things happen on Christmas Eve, say country legends of Switzerland. Young people may foretell the future, if they drink from nine different fountains while the midnight church bells chime. Then, if they hasten to the church steps, their future mates will await them there.

Somewhat less romantically, older folk seek to predict the weather for the coming year, using onion peels filled with salt.

### How Many Holidays?

Traditionally, Belgians celebrate three holidays at the Christmas season—beginning with St. Nicholas Day, December 6th, when the good saint brings gifts for children.

Then comes St. Thomas Day, December 21st. It's a sort of "trick or treat" day for school children, who play tricks on their teachers.

The third holiday, of course, is Christmas.

### Wrapping Gifts

When German tradition is followed, unwrapping a Christmas gift can be an amusing but complicated process.

One gift may have many consecutive wrappings, each with a different name on it, and the final wrapping may reveal not a gift, but a card telling where the gift is hidden.

is due back in Hamilton shortly.

Late word brought with a Christmas card from the Willie Lovins, reminds us that their friends will want to send card to the new address, so here it is: T/Sgt and Mrs. Willie Lovins, 060 D. South AIA, Patrick A. F. B., Florida, 32925. Iberia writes that they live right on the beach, and on her husband's days off, he goes fishing several times a day. William spends his time of the time planning searches for gold, and promised to share it, if he finds some. Still dear to the hearts of Evant people, never shall we forget that family.

### Notice

As provided for in Section 15 of Article 388, VAC of the State of Texas, notice is hereby given that the Commissioners Court of Coryell County, Texas, intend to increase the salaries of the following elected officials in the amount as follows:

County Judge - \$50 per month; Commissioner, Precinct 1 - \$50 per month; Commissioner, Precinct 2 - \$50 per month; Commissioner, Precinct 3 - \$50 per month; Commissioner, Precinct 4 - \$50 per month; County Clerk - \$50 per month; Tax Assessor-Collector - \$50 per month; Sheriff - \$50 per month; County Attorney - \$100 per month; District Clerk - \$100 per month; County Treasurer - \$100 per month; Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2 - \$35 per month; Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4 - \$35 per month; Justice of the Peace, Precinct 5 - \$35 per month.

A hearing will be held in the county courtroom, Monday, December 30, 1968, at 10:00 a.m.

den. Other cards in other hiding places lead to a treasure hunt, ending in the discovery of the gift.

### Picturing Nativity

The Christmas crib or presepio is an especially treasured part of the Portuguese holiday celebration. Every home and church seems to have one, and some of those in the churches are masterpieces of art.

Especially famous is the presepio in Estrella Church, Lisbon. This Nativity scene depicts the people of Bethlehem, in terra cotta figures. Unique among the crowd are the figures of an elephant and a bagpiper.

### Baking Cakes

If the weather on St. Nicholas Day, December 6th, is misty, a Dutch legend can explain it. St. Nicholas is

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C. T. Dancy Secretary

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The family of Mrs. G. M. Webb

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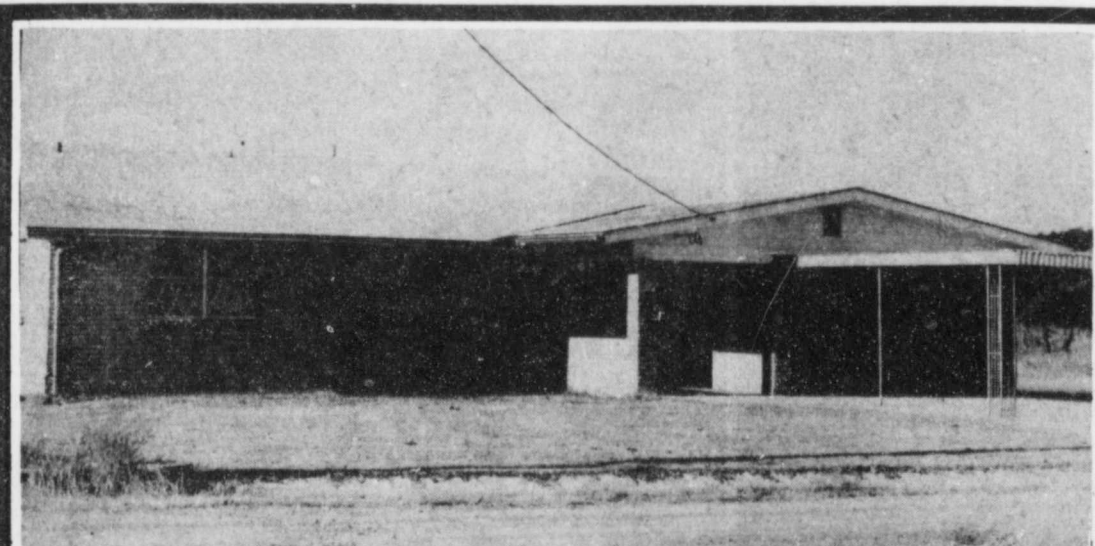
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baking his cakes. Traditional cakes — Zelten or Klosses — are adorned with different figures. These, children are told, are the marks made by St. Nicholas' donkey as he steps over the cakes on his way through the mist.

**Golden Circle**

**Class Meets**

The Golden Circle Class of the First Baptist Church met December 24th in the Fellowship Hall for the Christmas social. Patricia Jones was hostess for the social and presented a Christmas program. Secret pals were revealed

when gifts were exchanged. Charlotte Wetzel was honored with a baby shower. Enjoying the yule party were Mrs. H.K. Jackson, Mary Alice Wise, Marilyn Myrick, Anne Byrom, Nelda Wolfe, Becky Necessary, Sue Bankhead, Nancy Patton, Laquita Barton, Barbara Smith, Barbara Huntley, Diann Heridge, Sandra Lee, Carolyn Beam, LaNita Salter, Charlotte Wetzel, Dixie Duke, Jackie Whittenberg and Barbara Edwards.

**Tressia Jones Honored on 4th Birthday**

Miss Tressia Mildred Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kermit Jones of 701 South 14th Street, celebrated her 4th birthday, December 20th, with a party in her home. Hosts for the occasion, were



Party guests, helping Miss Tressia Jones celebrate her 4th birthday, are, left to right, back row, Karen Mitchell, Kevin Mitchell, Susie Taylor, Sherry Powell; front row, April Bromser, the honoree, Keith Bankhead, Joe Jones, Jr., Marty Robinson and Mrs. Mat Jones, holding Michael Jones. In front is Miss Belinda Bankhead.

her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jones. The party table was decorated with a Christmas theme and a pink, 4-layer birthday cake, cookies and punch were served to twenty guests. Present at the celebration were the honoree, Lonnie Bird, Jr., Jody Jones, Lisa Bird, Susie Taylor, Sherry Powell,

Leah Bromser, April Bromser, Marty Jon Robinson, Michael Jon Jones, Karen Mitchell, Kevin Mitchell, Keith

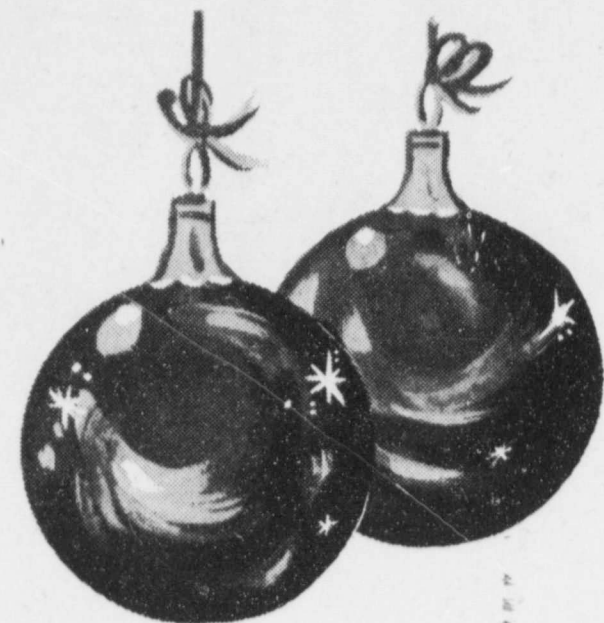
Bankhead, Belinda Bankhead, Mrs. Sue Bankhead, Mrs. Bobby Bird, Mrs. Stella Bird, Mrs. Billy Robinson, Mrs. Mat Jones, Mrs. Johnny Jones and the honoree's mother, Mrs. Cindy Jones.

**HOSPITAL NEWS**

Larry Cooper  
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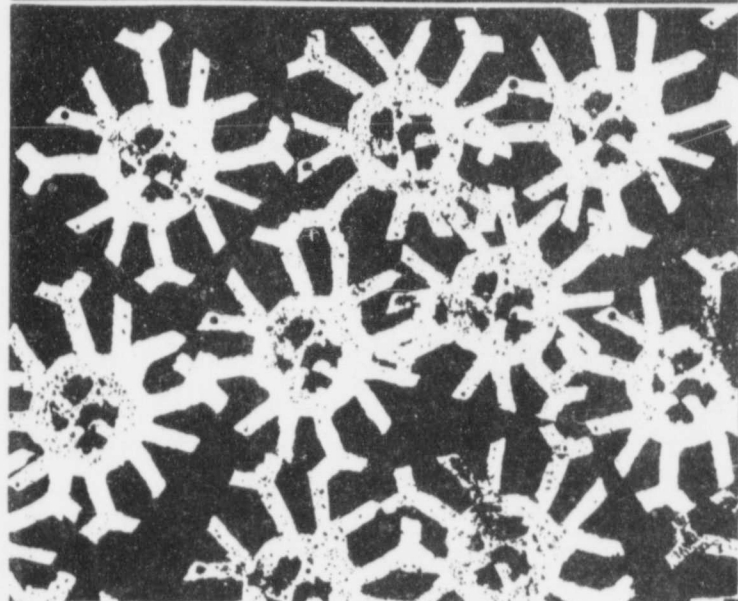
Baby boy born December 21 at 9:20 a.m. to Mr. and Mrs. James Denman of Gatesville.



*Wishing you a world of happiness*

*at Christmas and through the coming year*

**WATTS MEATS**



**'TIS THE SEASON**

A holiday tang in the air, the smell of good things cooking, family from far and near—it's Yuletide season. And a country Yule is the very best kind.

Especially with your local rural electric system on the job, lighting the tree and lightening the chores.

We wish you Happy Holidays.

**McLennan County**

**Electric Co-Op**

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Tax Paying  
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**DRIVE CAREFULLY**



May your holiday  
abound with  
joy and gladness

**Benner  
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Thank you —  
for the confidence  
you have shown  
in us.

**House  
of  
Beauty**



We hope and  
pray that the  
fullness of  
Christ's grace  
and blessings  
will be yours at  
this great Christ-  
mas Season.

**LUKER  
STUDIO**

MR. AND MRS. CARL LUKER  
Carol Brim



In this season of joy,  
we'd like to extend our best wishes.

And thank you,  
customers,  
for your  
loyal  
support.

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**SEASON'S GREETINGS**



May this Christmas be one of all good things in great abundance for you and your family. May every scene and every sound be one of joy. May every single moment of this wondrous season be filled with treasures of happiness.

**Black's Food Store**







The Merchants  
Say...

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

## Community Greet Joyful Christmas

Throughout this community, the Christmas spirit finds expression, as once again, people are proving that this happiest of holidays is a time of tradition. A modern Christmas, just like a good old-fashioned Christmas, calls for gatherings of family and friends, with much merriment, fun and feasting. Gifts and Santa Claus express the mood of the season, especially for the youngsters. Trees and other decorations, music and song, light and laughter set the scene. As a Christian holy day, celebrated in church services and private devotions, Christmas glows with the spirit of good will, and "peace and good will" is the wish and prayer, for all mankind.

All of these traditions of Christmas are wrapped up in one. The true spirit of Christmas is most happily expressed in the exchange of greetings. "Have a Merry Christmas." That says it all — the heartfelt hope for good things for others, the good feeling that prevails, the happiness of the season rising above problems and crises, the wish to give and to share all the holiday joys and blessings.

As a special custom that symbolizes the spirit of Christmas, the exchange of greetings takes many forms. "Merry Christmas" is said person-to-person, with smiles of gladness, wherever friends and family meet. "Merry Christmas" is the message of millions of greeting cards which travel across the miles. And "Merry Christmas" is the theme of today's edition of this newspaper, in which businessmen of the community offer their special greetings and good wishes, their words of appreciation to patrons and friends.

### Treasured Today

In the preparation of illuminated manuscripts, a master artist often set the style for copyists and assistants to follow, since even the decoration of an initial letter could be a major project.

A single letter might occupy an entire page, and a

complete scene or miniature painting might be contained within the boundaries of, for instance, an initial "C" or "D."

Some manuscripts, in fact, represent the work not only of more than one artist but of more than one generation of artists.

Today, illuminated manuscripts are treasures of li-

braries and museums, and rightly so, for throughout a thousand years of Christian history, the art of illumination brought an extra dimension of beauty to manuscripts that are, in themselves, precious works of art.



*Yuletide Greetings*

Here's sending you a Christmas greeting that warmly wishes you the best. Thanks for your patronage.

### Dairy Mart

NORMA, STEVE & SUSAN PHILLIPS

## Why Pick Chimney? St. Nick Has Reasons

Why does Santa come down the chimney?

Of all the traditions connected with Santa, his unconventional mode of entry might seem the most puzzling. Surely the magical gift giver, who has the power to drive reindeer through the skies and who can cover the earth in a single night, could find an easier way to enter a house.

Like most of the lore of Christmas, Santa's choice of

the chimney has several explanations. For instance, legend has it that the original Santa, St. Nicholas, presented three maidens with gifts of gold for a dowry. Modestly concealing his generosity, he tossed the gold down a chimney, in secret.

Another theory claims that Santa copied a goddess, who was the first to deliver gifts via a chimney. According to this legend, when the Vikings of Norway celebrated the

It won't be long until old Saint Nick will be knocking at your chimney, bringing you loads of happiness and joy. But before he arrives, we want to drop in for just a little visit to wish you a

*Happy Holiday Season*



**Dan Edwards Humble Products**



May the spirit of the first Christmas light your life and gifts and gladness be yours in abundance.

**Phillips Insurance**



May Peace be your Gift

**DISCOUNT SHOE STORE**

Yuletide or winter solstice in their great halls, a festive feature of the occasion was the appearance of the goddess Hertha in the fireplace.

As her name indicates, Hertha was goddess of hearth and home, and most appropriately arrived by way of the chimney, to deliver her Yuletide gifts of good luck and good cheer.

Still another explanation takes a practical point of view. Housewives of Northern Europe, cleaning house for the New Year, used to coax children to help with the chores by saying, "Let's clean the hearth. St. Nicholas will soon be coming down the chimney."

The children willingly set to work, and thus, says legend, a tradition was born.

to our Many Friends  
*The Season's Greetings*  
**Montgomery Ward**  
GENE AND JOYCE ARNOLD

*Best wishes for Christmas*  
**GATESVILLE BEAUTY SHOP**  
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**MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
**Pat Potts Tin Shop**

**NOEL**  
"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder;"  
PSALM 9:6  
**Haynes Cleaners**  
JAMES & MARY HAYNES & Employees



*Merry Christmas*

Wishing you a memorable, joyful Christmas holiday.

**Gulf Oil Products**

**merry Christmas**



**Bob Beck Appliance Service**

*Merry Christmas*

**THOMSON & McCLELLAN**



**The merriest Merry Christmas ever!**

**ROUND-UP CAFE**  
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**Don't Forget!**



**Drive Carefully**



*to Your Fireside*

We send this wish on Christmas Day...  
May it find you blest with peace, happiness and all the things your heart desires.

**A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS**  
our wish for you and yours

**COMMUNITY LUMBER CO.**

EVANT, TEXAS



# \$10 BILLION WATER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

by VERN SANFORD

Bone dry areas of West and South Texas got a monumental Christmas present unwrapped before December 25. It was in the form of a \$10 billion master plan for development of Texas water resources, as revealed by the Texas Water Development Board.

Its long-sighted recommendation, which proposes moving water westward and southward through an elaborate network of canals and pipelines from Louisiana and East Texas, may leave the suppliers wondering whether it is indeed more blessed to give than to receive.

Highlights of the massive plan, compiled over a period of four years, includes the following proposals:

Importation of 12 to 13 million acre feet of surplus water annually from Mississippi and transportation uphill through canals from Sulphur and Sabine River reservoirs to the Lubbock area and the Rio Grande Valley respectively. Pipelines would move it along to many Texas cities and irrigated farming areas of West Texas and on to New Mexico. Other waters from rain-rich East

Texas basins would move through the same major facilities to the South and as far as El Paso on the western edge of the state.

Construction of 67 major new dams and reservoirs and two salt water barriers at a cost of \$2.4 billion. They would contain a total of 33.6 million acre feet of conservation storage and 16.1 million acre feet of flood control capacity.

Trans-Texas and Coastal canals would carry water across North Texas westward and down the Texas coast to the South. Major pipeline would move water from Pecos to El Paso. Rio Grande waters would be moved through another canal from Amistad Dam at Del Rio to Maverick and Webb Counties and to the vegetable-growing Winter Garden area around Carrizo Springs.

Some 220,000 acre feet of supplemental surface water needed for San Antonio would be pipelined from Cuero, Cibola and Goliad reservoirs in Guadalupe and San Antonio River basins. A longer-range possibility is diversion from the Colorado River.

Power would have to be generated to pump water through the Trans-Texas canal and the pipeline to El Paso.

Coastal division would provide 2.5 million acre feet of fresh water inflows to bays and estuaries and coastal wildlife refuges.

Planners hope for congressional authorization of Cibola, Cuero and Goliad projects by 1972, approval of a coastal canal, link with Mississippi River and Trans-Texas Canal by 1973, appropriations by 1974 and design - construction authorization by 1975. First water hopefully would be delivered through the Coastal Canal from Sabine northeast of Beaumont to the Rio Grande Valley in 1980. Goal for water movement through the 500-mile concrete-lined Trans-Texas is 1985--and from Mississippi westward in 1988.

Gov.-elect Preston Smith and Lt. Gov.-elect Ben Barnes

lauded the plan and pledged cooperation in enacting the necessary state legislation. Smith urged unity and tempering of criticism with positive suggestions for improvement.

Water Board Executive Director Howard B. Boswell said no water development program on such a scale "has ever been attempted anywhere." Boswell emphasized that water users ultimately would pay the state's \$2.5 billion to \$3 billion share of the overall cost.

Merry Christmas  
From The News

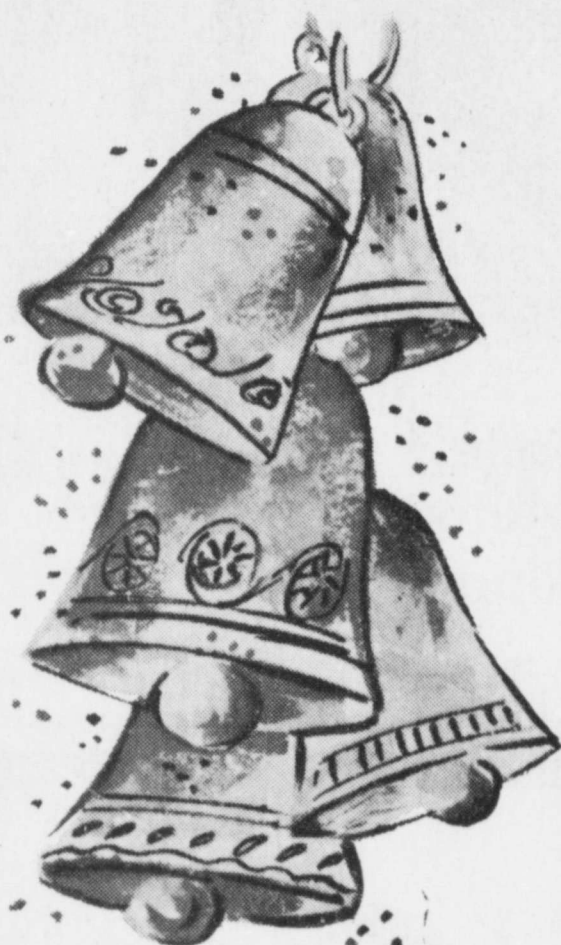
## Court Uphold

### 1879 Texas Law

A three-judge federal court here upheld constitutionality of an 1879 Texas law under which 42 student demonstrators were arrested for interfering with an Austin man's lawful pursuit of his business by picketing and blocking his driveway.

Court of Criminal Appeals affirmed the death penalty in a 1965 Houston rape case and a 10-year sentence of a San Antonio man in a street-brawl

stab-slashing. Suit brought in federal court by Sinclair Oil Corporation against Gulf and Western Industries Inc. has been indefinitely postponed.



A Merry  
Christmas  
Jerry's  
Mobil

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MERRY  
CHRISTMAS



The good will and patronage of our many friends are worthy indeed of our sincerest best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

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MAY EVERY  
CHRISTMAS JOY  
BE YOURS  
THROUGHOUT  
THE  
BRAND NEW YEAR

JACKSON INSURANCE AGENCY



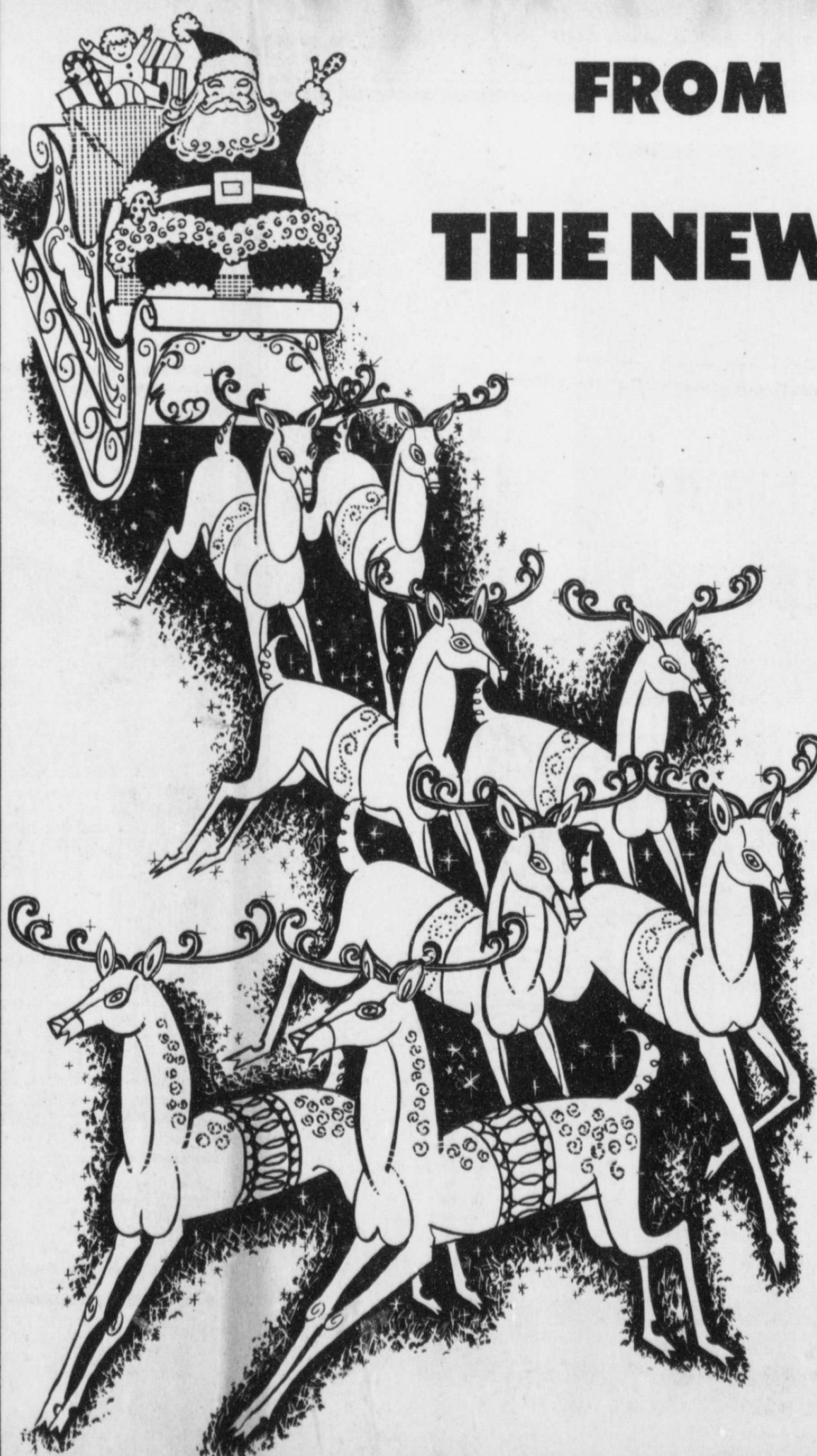
Once again, it's that wonderful time of year when spirits soar and great merriment reigns. We'd like to take this opportunity to serve all our customers with the wish for a truly happy holiday season. And thank you, most sincerely, for your patronage.

DYCHE'S CAFE  
RESTAURANT

MERRY

FROM  
THE NEWS

CHRISTMAS



Merry  
Christmas

It's time once more to turn aside from the routine of day-to-day business and greet our fine patrons and neighbors with hearty wishes for a merry, old-fashioned Yule. May your holiday be filled with the happy sounds of laughter as you rejoice in the company of family and friends. Sincere thanks for your loyal trust and support.

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# Governor Submits "Skeleton" Budget

by VERN SANFORD  
Gov. John Connally has submitted to the Legislature a bare-bones budget and recommended that in the future incoming governors have exclusive say for the executive department on spending recom-

mendations. Connally calculates the Legislature will inherit a general revenue balance of \$103.5 million to help finance new and expanded programs. His own billion dollar general revenue

"fiscal summary" (\$5.5 billion from all funds) for 1970-71 allows only for increases "necessary to meet commitments the state has previously made and to financing continuing programs at current rates."

Nevertheless, the general revenue outlay he suggested is nearly \$100 million over the current level. It includes nothing for such high-priority items as a (\$200 million) teacher pay raise, building, water plan implementation or voca-

tional education program expansion.

Connally suggested that outgoing governors not be required to submit budgets in the future. He also concluded that state funds should be set aside for incoming governors to hire staff members, establish clerical and communication facilities and operate an office.

Rumors on the size of the new tax bill facing the Legislature next year run from \$200 to \$400 million--with best estimates in the \$230 million range.

## Mackie McDonald

### Completes Infantry Training

FORT POLK, LA.--Army Private Mackie G. McDonald, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis M. McDonald, Route 3, Gatesville, Texas, completed nine weeks of advanced infantry training Nov. 27 at Fort Polk, Louisiana. His last week of training was spent in guerrilla warfare exercises.

During his guerrilla training, he lived under simulated Vietnam conditions for five days, fighting off night attacks and conducting raids on "enemy" villages. He was taught methods of removing booby traps, setting ambushes and avoiding enemy ambushes.

Other specialized training included small unit tactics, map reading, land mine warfare, communications, and firing the M-16 rifle, M-60 machine gun and the 3.5 inch rocket launcher.

## Texas Supreme Court Postpones "Blue Law" Ruling

by VERN SANFORD

Texas Supreme Court leaned on a jurisdictional question and declined to rule on the constitutionality of the state's Blue Law, which has been declared unconstitutional by a half-dozen Texas district judges.

In a Midland case, the High

Court said the state waited too long to appeal from a district court's sacking of the law, which prohibits the selling of a long list of items on consecutive Saturdays and Sundays.

So until another appeal can get to the court, stores in

such cities as Midland, Corpus Christi, San Antonio, Abilene and Fort Worth are staying open seven days a week, while stores in other cities--like Austin, Waco and Dallas--must stay closed.

Constitutional question is whether the list of items in the statute is too vague and indefinite for the average consumer -- or merchant -- to understand.

There never was  
a time when  
Christmas  
meant so much



We pray that Peace may be  
your companion, this Christmas  
Season and always!

**Boyd Lumber Co.**  
JAMES AND BOB BOYD



# Christmas Greetings

As we rejoice in the story  
of the first Christmas, may the happy  
spirit of the holiday light  
up your home with peace, good will.  
Thanks to all you wonderful  
people for your loyal trust and support.

**Ward's Jewelry**



A cheerful heart is a good  
medicine. (Prov. 17:22).

Happiness is symbolic of  
a living awareness of God.  
Trust all your affairs to God,  
relax, be a happy person free  
from anxiety. Happiness  
leads to health. It releases  
the negative thoughts that  
hinder our bodily functions.  
To be happy is to be one with  
the rhythm and harmony of  
life. Approach the living  
presence of God within you  
with joy and happiness, and  
your greatest expectations  
will come to pass.



We give thanks for  
our blessings  
and send you our  
best wishes.

B AND B

BARBER SHOP



May happiness and  
peace abide in your  
home.

**BOWLIN  
PAINT  
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# MERRY CHRISTMAS

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# Merry Christmas



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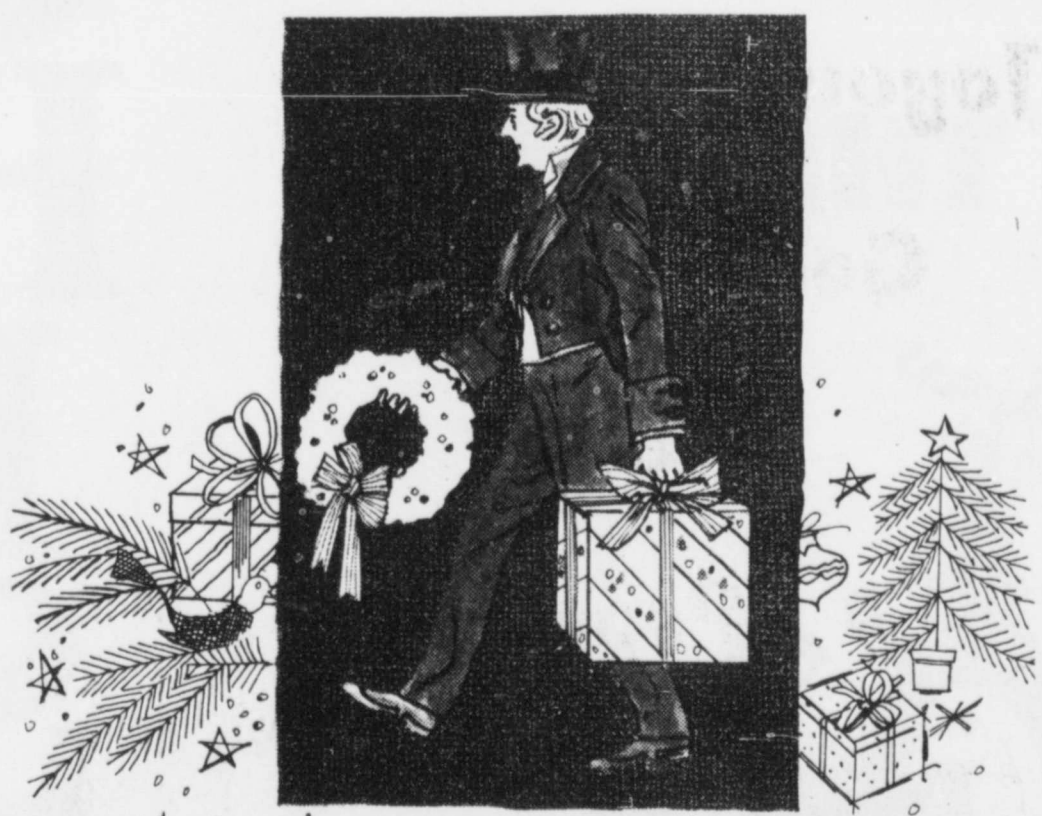
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## New Year Greetings

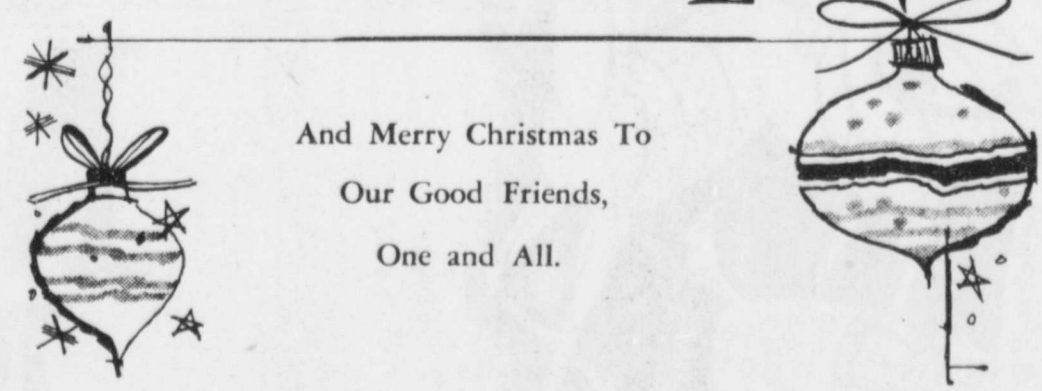
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OF GATESVILLE



# SEASONS \* GREETINGS



And Merry Christmas To  
Our Good Friends,  
One and All.

# BENNETT'S



### Highway Construction Regulations Challenged

by VERN SANFORD  
Texas Highway Commissioners, with the support of the Texas Good Roads Association, continue to attack proposed federal regulations which provide for public hearings and design approval for highways fully or

partially funded with federal money.  
Commission Chairman J. H. Kuitgen addressed a hearing in Washington on the proposed regulations and said, "We do not believe that the people of our nation, their congressmen and

senators expect a federal agency to become the ultimate umpire for all construction projects."

TGRA President Charles F. Hawn told the hearing, "We believe the regulations are unnecessarily detailed and rigid, that the appellate procedure invites harmful delays in highway building and that the proposals generally reflect upon the intentions, capabilities and

rightful authority of the State highway departments," good news

### Texas Unemployment At All Time Low

by VERN SANFORD  
Texas unemployment is at an all-time state low (2.7 percent of the labor force) says the Texas Employment Commission, and unemployment taxes on employers are due another slash.

At the time the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reported that last month was one of the best November in history for Texas' construction industry.

### Governor Preston Smith Announces Appointments

by VERN SANFORD  
Governor-elect Smith named former State Senator Martin Dies Jr. of Lufkin as his Secretary of State.

Smith also selected another former East Texas senator, Galloway Calhoun of Tyler, as his staff legal counsel.

Governor Connally appointed John Thomas Boyd of Plainview district judge of the 64th judicial district to fill the unexpired term of Judge James Joy who will become a justice of the Amarillo Court of Civil Appeals on January 1.

C. Wesley Collier of Austin joins the general advisory committee of the division of occupational safety, Texas State Department of Health.

Texas Railroad Commission has elected former Lt. Gov. Ben Ramsey as its chairman for 1969 and 1970.

John M. Kinney, an archival assistant at the Church Historical Society in Austin, has been named director of state archives by the Texas State Library.

### Oil Allowable Raised

by VERN SANFORD  
Railroad Commission raised January statewide oil allowable to 43.7 percent of potential after four straight months at 41.3 percent.

Allowable will permit a maximum production of 3,254,005 barrels daily. That is 127,559 more than December.

### Mobile Theater

by VERN SANFORD

Texas Fine Arts Commission plans to produce a mobile theatrical company to perform bilingual versions of popular plays in areas of the state which are predominately Latin-American.

Commission is getting a \$6,700 grant from the National Endowment for the Arts to finance the plan.

### Rolland Laxson

### Participates in Operation "Beef Trust"

USS DITTY HAWK (at sea)--Fireman Apprentice Rolland R. Laxson, USN, son of Mr. Aurbury, W. Laxson of 1204 Main Street, Gatesville, Texas, participated in operation "Beef Trust" aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk off the coast of Southern California.

The last major First Fleet exercise of the year, the eight-day exercise involved 28 ships and 31 air squadrons, including four Canadian units.

Designed to prepare U. S. units for the conditions encountered in Southeast Asia and throughout the Western Pacific, the exercise consisted of missile firing exercises, bombing practice, close air support and anti-submarine warfare.

Cruisers and destroyers fired their guns at the San Clemente Island Range and at a target hull the ex-USS Jesse Rutherford, while guided missile ships tested their batteries against drone aerial targets in

the Pacific Missile Range. Carrier and land based aircraft flew strikes against the San Clemente Island Range, while the entire task force guarded against two U. S. Submarines playing aggressors.

TO OUR MANY GOOD FRIENDS

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Erle Powell



Silent Night

As the story of the first Christmas unfolds in churches and homes across the land, may you and yours share in its hope for "Peace on Earth, Good Will to All Men."

**SWIFT'S SUN VALLEY CENTER**

Mr. and Mrs. Euell Swift, Mrs. Exa Williams, Mattie Turner, Rose Holle, Edwin Petree, Gloria Wolske, Ida Copeland, Dicie Adams, Joby Tatum,

Merry Christmas

For your patronage and friendly good will we extend our sincere thanks and best wishes.



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SEASON'S GREETINGS

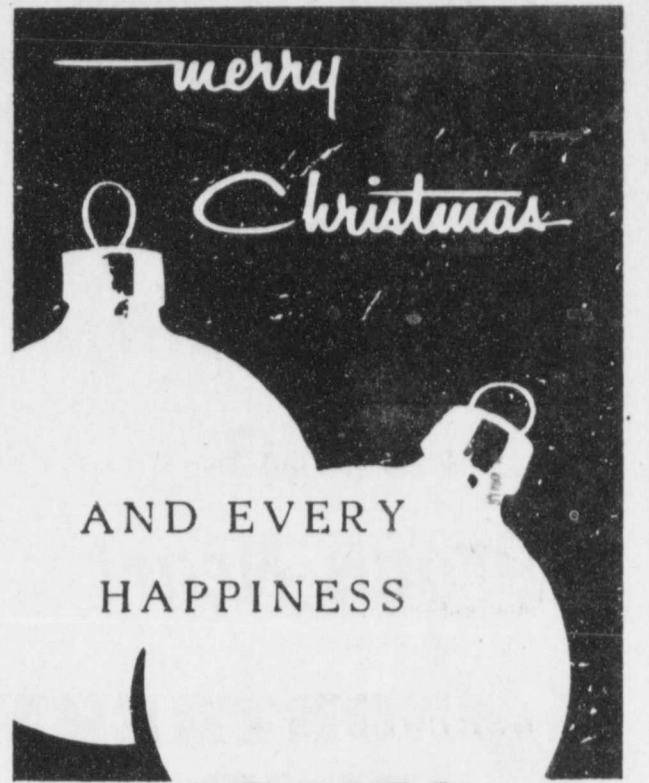
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Faith of our Fathers,  
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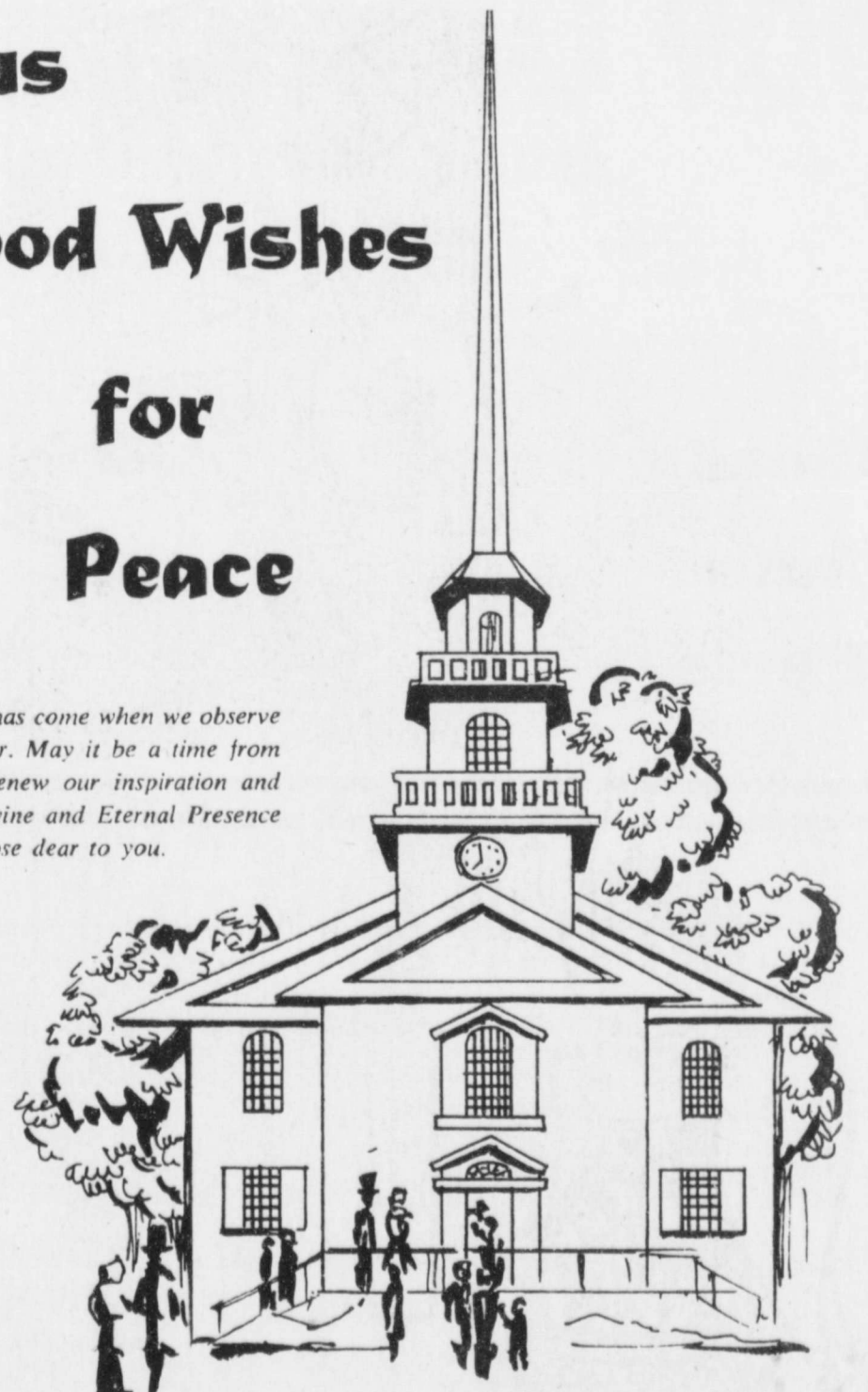
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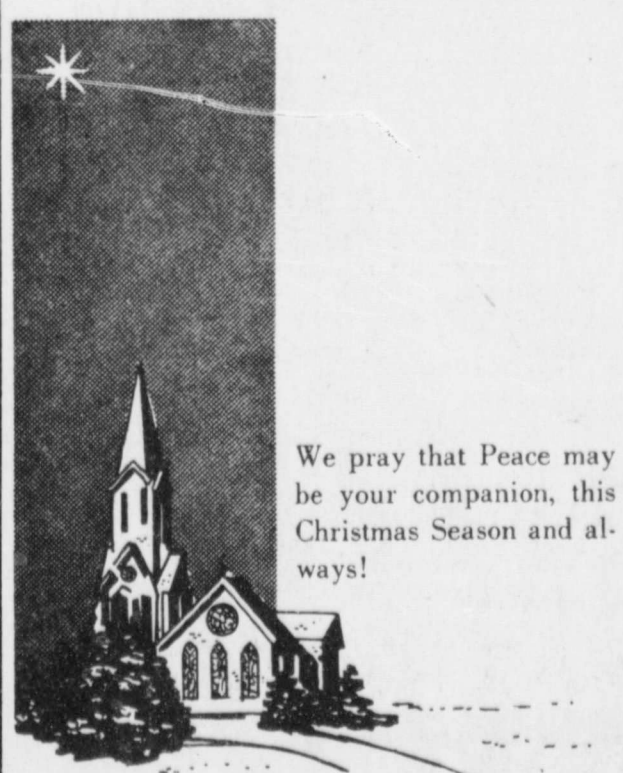
**BEST WISHES**  
GEORGE B. PAINTER  
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Joyous  
Good Wishes  
for  
Peace

Once again the Season has come when we observe the birth of our Saviour. May it be a time from which all of us may renew our inspiration and our faith. May His Divine and Eternal Presence be with you and all those dear to you.



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We pray that Peace may be your companion, this Christmas Season and always!

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# The Grandest Day of Every Year Once again to us Draws Near!



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Felix Cole  
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Carl Butch

## ATT'Y. GEN. RULES

by VERN SANFORD

Atty. Gen. Crawford C. Martin has held that exclusion of cotton gins from air pollution controls will have to be tested in court to determine constitutionality.

In other recent opinions, Martin concluded that:

Board of Control cannot buy drugs and equipment for community mental health-mental retardation centers, but state hospitals can furnish medical

records on former patients to these local facilities. State MH-MR department cannot impose an arbitrary requirement on community centers that they must match state aid as condition of eligibility for aid.

Law prohibiting possession of more than a pound of mercury without evidence of written title is constitutional.

Payment of validly-assessed taxes on property located on both sides of county line (not marked on the ground) to either of the counties absolves the owner from also paying to the other.

College-University Coordinating Board employees are not eligible for participation in optional retirement program for faculty members or for purchase of IRS Regulation 403 (b) annuity contracts.

A leasehold estate is taxable, and the owner must pay on the entire value of the land whether leased or not, but lessee can be liable for taxes on improvements as personal property.

Milk products containing more than two percent but less than 3.25 percent butterfat are not milk as legally defined by state and not subject to regulation except where offered for sale as milk product.

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*The Old Timer*



"Nothing gets a group of women off the subject faster than her arrival."



**Best Wishes**

3013 NOV 68 M.P. 28  
To the tempo of bells  
that happily chime...  
Merry Christmas to all,  
to all a grand time!

**George R.  
Hodge**

## Food for Thought

by Mrs. B. A. Snoddy

"And the Angel said unto them, fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:10 and 11.

I will leave this week's writing of the Jews in prophesy off, until next week, in order to remind us, again, of the real meaning of Christmas.

The commercial world has taken the Lord Jesus out, and replaced Him with Santa Claus, Reindeer, and tinging bells.

You will note in the scripture heading, that the coming of Jesus was good news of great joy, which should be to all people. That includes us!

Note that the scripture reads, is born this day, which is a statement of present tense. His coming is for people of today, not only for those when the shepherds were watching their sheep, and the Angel declared unto them, "Fear not!"

"And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the

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**THANK YOU  
AT  
CHRISTMAS**

**Sigmar  
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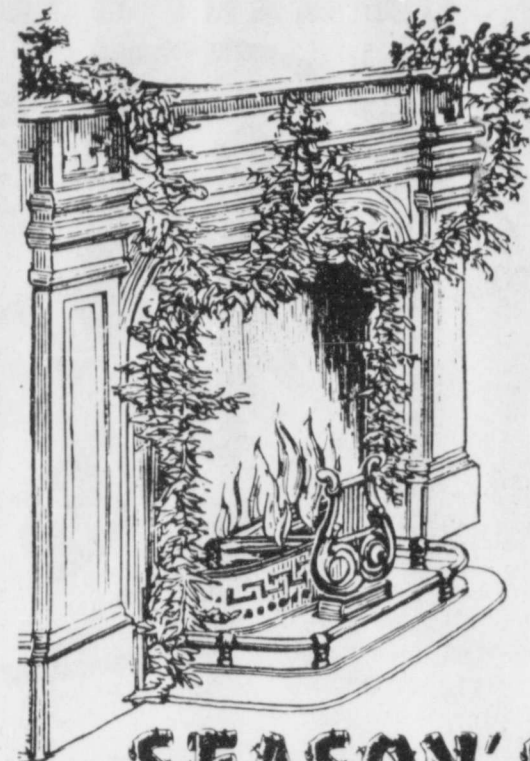
## Handicapped Children Receives Grants

U. S. Office of Education has awarded Texas Education Agency and Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation a \$915,412 grant to strengthen education programs and related services for handicapped children.

This federal money is part of

a \$29.7 million appropriation being distributed among the 50 states, Puerto Rico and Guam on a formula based on average daily attendance of handicapped children in special schools.

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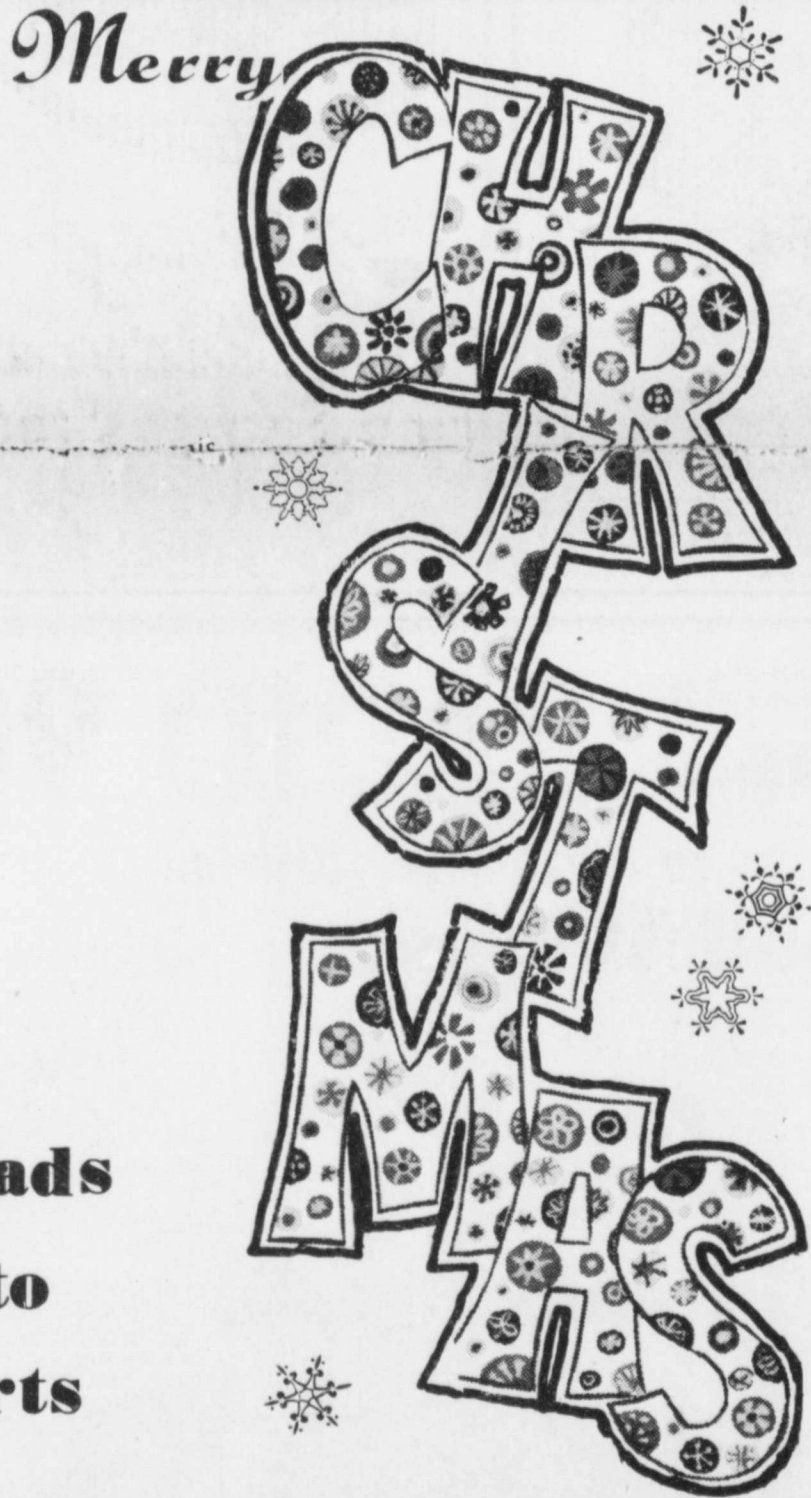


**SEASON'S  
GREETINGS**

The warm wishes we send today  
are but a mild expression  
of our feeling toward you at this  
Holiday Season.

**AUTHORIZED DEALER  
WHITE  
Auto Store**  
THE HOME OF GREATER VALUES

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719 Main St. 865-5313  
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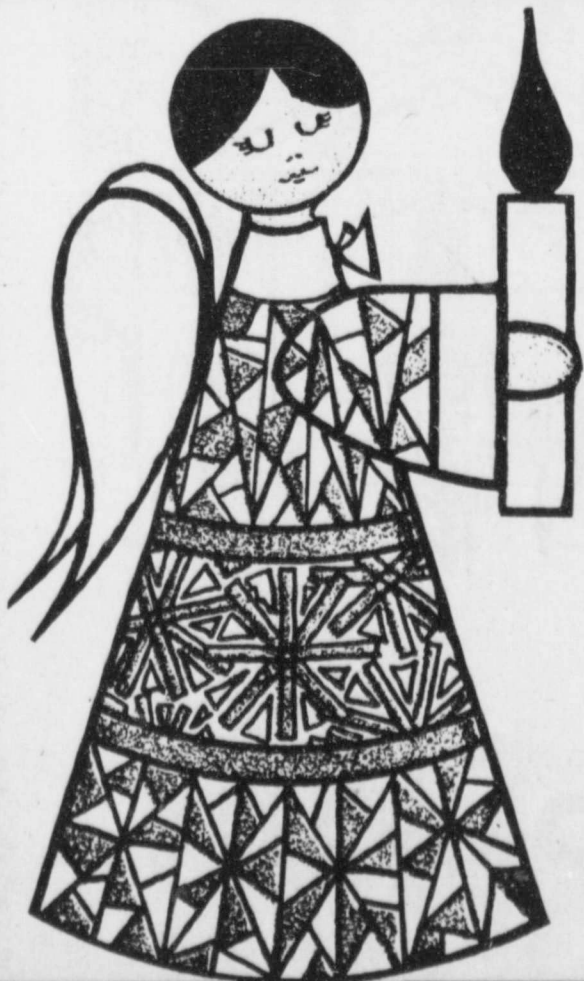


**Rhoads  
Auto  
Parts**

**Christmas  
Cheer  
To All  
Our Friends**



**Elsie's Pant and  
Top Shop**



**Best Wishes**

May every hour of Christmastide  
bring increasing happiness  
to your fireside. Good wishes  
to all and a sincere thanks  
for all past courtesies.

**Herring Grocery**



**Come, let us rejoice!**

May we, too, rejoice in our praise to Him. Let us sing  
these praises every day of the coming year... grateful  
for the manifold blessings bestowed upon us.

**Modern Cleaners**

MR. AND MRS. RUBEN CUMMINGS

Mrs. John Derrick Mrs. Pearl Nabors Mrs. Evelyn Weir  
Mrs. Odell Beechly Mrs. Irene Dossey



### Baker Promoted to First Sgt.

FT. HOOD, TEXAS-- Albert E. Baker, son of Mrs. Loreta A. Baker, 76 Linden Street, Frostburg, Maryland, was promoted November 25 to Army

first sergeant at Fort Hood, Texas, where he is serving at the U. S. Darnall Army Hospital.  
First sergeant of the Medical Holding Company, Sgt. Baker entered the Army in September 1953, completed basic training at Fort Rucker, Alabama, and was last stationed in Korea.



# Joyous Noel

"And she brought forth her first-born Son... and laid Him in a manger."  
LUKE 2:7



A.J. & MARTHA  
Mrs. Frances Chambers

## Christmas Greetings

WE WISH YOU LOADS OF CHRISTMAS JOY AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR FRIENDSHIP.

**WESTERN AUTO**

MR. & MRS. DON POWERS & FAMILY



LONG BINH, VIETNAM--Army Staff Sergeant Arnold E. Shellenbarger (left), 28, whose wife, Hilde, lives on Louise Street, Copperas Cove, Texas, receives the Army Commendation Medal during ceremonies Nov. 23 near here.  
Presenting the award is Major J. C. Droke.  
Sgt. Shellenbarger received the award for meritorious service while serving as a maintenance inspection chief in Headquarters Company, U. S. Army Support Command, Saigon, near Long Binh.  
The sergeant entered the Army in June 1958 and completed basic training at Ft. Knox, Kentucky. He was stationed at Ft. Hood, Texas, before arriving overseas in December 1967. The sergeant attended the Continental (OHIO) Local Palmer High School.

Wishing you a  
MERRY  
CHRISTMAS

**Meek's Cafe**

MR. AND MRS. L.D. MEEKS

### Thought From Page 10

babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. Luke 2:12. This is why the Jews rejected him. They were looking for the Messiah, but they expected him to come as a King.  
"And suddenly, there was with the Angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."  
"And it came to pass, as the Angels were gone away from them unto heaven, the shepherds said one to another, 'Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us, and they came with hosts, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad, the sayings which were told them, concerning this child.' Luke 2:13-17.  
This humble group of men believed the message the Angel gave them, they went to inquire into it, and found it to be true, and then they went to tell the things abroad, the sayings concerning this child.  
We would like to emphasize some of the sayings, concerning Jesus. Jesus came to bring peace, and good will toward men. There are two forces in the world; the forces of evil, and the forces of good. We can place our fingers on the forces that bring riots, killings, destruction, bitterness and hate, and word of God teaches that God is not the author of confusion, so we know what brings about the unrest and ill-will. This is not only in our beloved America, but is all over the world.  
"If we say we have fellowship with Him and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not tell the truth; but if we walk in the light as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ, his son cleanseth us from all sin." I John

1:6 and 7.  
This is another saying concerning Jesus. For unto you, is born, this day, a Savior, Savior means one who saves, or delivers. He paid the ransom price to buy us back from the Devil; he delivers us from Satan's clutches, and this is glad tidings of great joy. He came to destroy the works of the Devil. Hebrews 2:14. Is it fair for us to know these things and never tell them?  
Christmas should be a spiritual, Christ centered season, not a time of drinking spirits from a bottle, and going to worldly ungodly parties.  
Sometimes families have argued over the budget, the gifts, the prices to pay, the number of them, and have a season of strife and contention instead of a blessed season of peace. The Angel said the baby born unto us would bring peace, and good-will. This was a message of great joy, which should be to all people, John Kennedy said: "Christ-

mas is the most spiritual, and highly significant day on our calendar; yet its real significance is generally lost amid its celebrations."  
The very essence of Christmas is evangelism, because "Jesus came into the world to save sinners."  
Amidst the multitudes of taxpayers travelers, merchants, and residents milling about in Bethlehem that first Christmas

See Thought Page 12

## Warmest Wishes

May the lights of Christmas glow in your home with their message of good cheer.

### G.P. Schaub Mill And Grain

TO WISH YOU  
Greetings

## THE GALLERY

MACK LEE BRENDA KERBY

## GREETINGS

This is a happy time... a time when we gratefully look back on the friendships we have enjoyed throughout the year... the trust and confidence you have placed in us... and it is also a time for looking ahead toward our continued friendship and pleasant association throughout the days to come.

## Merry Christmas

### Fina Service Station

CHARLES STRICKLAND, Mgr.  
RICK & JOE

## the BRIGHTEST of all stars

"When they saw the star they rejoiced with exceeding great joy."  
Matthew 2:10

Merry Christmas

May the light of love and understanding that bathed the world on the eve of His Birth shine upon you and kindle your heart with everlasting joy. Let us rejoice as we cherish the blessings of this holy season.

## W.F. & J.F. Barnes Inc.

J.D. BOBBIE MANN, BOBBY, HOWARD

## Merry Christmas

TO ALL

### Gatesville Police Dept.

Gene Goins  
Everett Gribble

## KCLW CLEAR CHANNEL RADIO 900

is moving to their new location  
1107 Main St.

KEN WALKER, Manager and MALCOLM McHARGUE, Announcer want to wish each of you Merry Christmas from

# KCLW



season, almost everyone missed its significance. But the lowly shepherds did not. I've often wondered why God would tell them first. Why not some highly influential person? It must have been because they were humble, and God knew they would listen. They did believe, and responded decisively. "Let us now go and see the thing which the Lord has made known unto us."

They set the pattern for us. "They made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child."

Let us keep Christ in our Christmas! I read an imaginary story, that once the Devil had a meeting with some of his co-workers, and they were discussing how to keep Christ out of the minds of the people, at Christmas time, so they decided to just make an X through his name, and leave the word Xmas.

Let's send greeting cards exalting the birth of Jesus. As I recently read a wording. Let's not say "Look what the world is coming to" but rather, "Look, what has come to the world."

"Joy to the world, the Lord is come, Let earth, receive her King,"

#### Yodeling Yule

An old custom of the Austrian Tyrol is the Christmas yodel. Traditionally, the Yuletide yodel—a song without words—may be improvised, or it may be based on the tune of a familiar carol.



### A Joyous Christmas

Take these flowers, gemm'd with dew-drops,  
As a loving gift from me:  
May thy heart reflect their brightness  
And thy Christmas joyous be!

### Flowers Speak Language of Love In Modern or Victorian Era

Like holly, ivy and mistletoe, flowers share in the legend and lore of Christmas. In terms of the Victorian era, the floral legend is an especially meaningful one.

A Victorian lady who received a bouquet from her admirer could either smell it or read it as if it were a letter. Often, it was a letter.

Young engaged couples, strictly chaperoned, found a way to communicate words of affection via flowers. Each flower had a special meaning.

Flowers in sequence could be used to spell out a fervent pledge of love. To help in

composing—and translating—these messages, there were numerous tiny dictionaries listing flowers and their meanings.

The flowering honeysuckle, for instance, spoke of "bonds of love." A red rosebud told a lady that she was "pure and lovely." Red double, pink meant "woman's love." And hellotrope carried a bold message, "I love you."

This Victorian language of flowers greatly influenced the design of Christmas cards of the time—witness the card illustrated here, from the Norcross Historical Col-

lection of antique cards.

The lush summer blooms are typical of the Victorian admiration of flowers, regardless of the season.

Though sentiments may be expressed differently, flowers still bloom on modern Christmas cards. A current card offers one example. Poinsettias flower on a background of mistletoe, and the message reads, "Just for you, honey, all my love at Christmas."

### Santa's Moving To Take Lead As Gift-Giver

More and more, Santa becomes the favored gift-giver in countries around the world, replacing a host of legendary figures who were said to bring gifts at this same season of the year.

Gift-giving time, too, is now more likely to be Christmas Eve, although the traditional date in European countries once ranged from St. Nicholas Eve, December 5th, to Epiphany Eve, January 5th.

Among the many who set the trend for Santa Claus is the German gift-giver, Kris Kringle. The name is a variation of Christkind—not the Infant Jesus himself, but his messenger who came to earth at Christmastime.

Christkind was represented by a child dressed in white robes, with a crown and wings of gold.

In Japan, the traditional gift-giver is a native god, Hoteiosho. Represented as a kindly old man with a pack on his back, he is much like visions of the traditional Santa.

He is said to have eyes in the back of his head, the better to see whether boys and girls have been naughty or nice.

In Yugoslavia, Grandfather Frost—"Dede Mraz"—replaces Santa Claus.

The Yugoslavian trend is to combine Christmas and New Year holidays, and celebrate them together with Grandfather Frost Day.

#### IT'S TOO COMMON

In most of the United States, the poinsettia is a prized Christmas flower. In Hawaii, however, it grows so profusely that it is considered too common for such an important holiday. Potted orchids, anthurium or the orange-and-blue flower called "bird of paradise" are Hawaiian holiday favorites.

Drive Carefully



GREETINGS

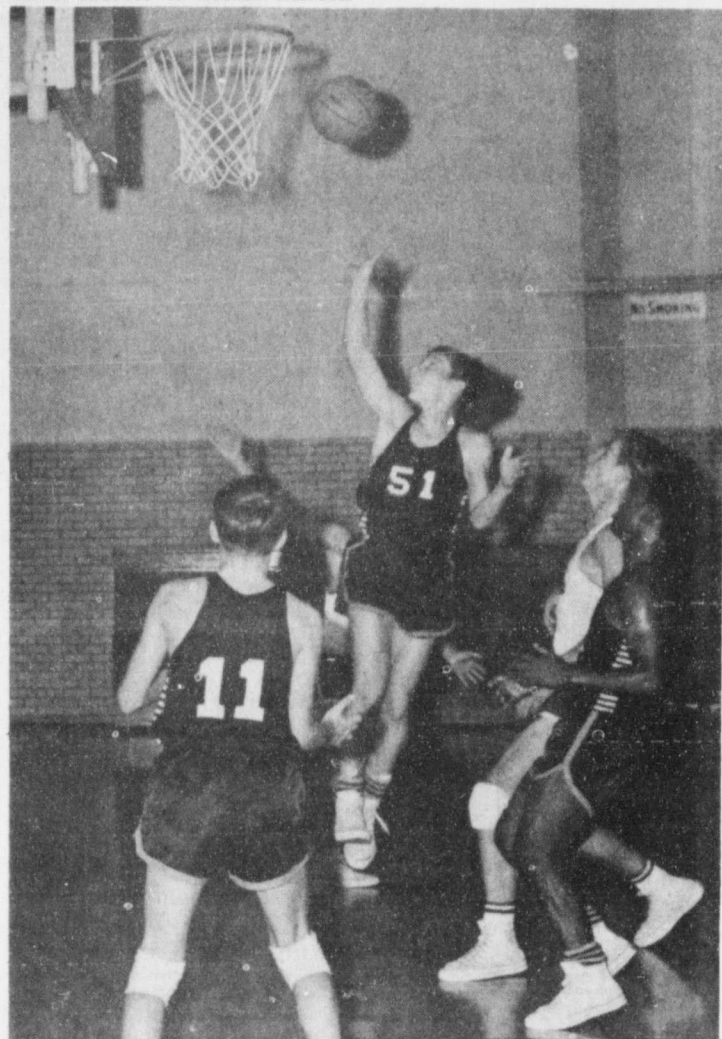
That you may have a fun-filled Christmas, together with friends and loved ones, is our wish at this time.

Vogue  
Beauty Shop

Mrs. Eugene Bond  
Mrs. Jerry Necessary

## Frosh Down Killeen 42-37

The Hornet Freshman team came back from a 13-24 half-time deficit to defeat Killeen 42-37. The Kangaroos jumped out to an early lead, aided by



The Hornets' Jim Saunders, number 51, goes in for a lay-up against the Killeen Kangaroos. Saunders scored 21 points to lead the Gatesville freshmen to a 42-37 victory.

numerous Gatesville turnovers. The Hornets finally started playing basketball in the second half, and showed what they could really do, as they rapidly narrowed the gap. Gatesville took the lead for good with two minutes left to play, and held off the 'Kangs' to win 42-37. Leading scorer for Gatesville was Jim Saunders with 21 points. Ronald Brown scored 14 and Ricky Thompson scored 7. Gary Davis, James Smith, Steve Brazier, and Glen Vernon did a fine job on defense and pulled down many rebounds for Gatesville.

Last week the Freshman cagers won a thriller from Belton 46-45. The big gun for the Hornets in this game was Ronald Brown who put in 19 points. Jim Saunders and Ricky Thompson each added 8 points. Steve Brazier and Gary Davis each scored 4 while James Smith added 3. The Hornets' Davis and Smith did an excellent job of rebounding. These two victories boosted the frosh season record to two wins and one loss. The loss

was sustained in an unscheduled game at the beginning of the season, as Marlin defeated Gatesville, 17-15.



He has clothed me with the garments of salvation.

—(Isa. 61:10).  
As we turn to God in prayer, we lay aside all tension, stress or strain, as though they were old garments. Let them slip from our shoulders and fall away. Then we can create a prayer of release and freedom. Let us move through every part of the day clothed in the mantle of God's love, peace and light. With Him we can handle in a calm, serene way, all that needs our attention. We carry with us an atmosphere of peace.

## FORD A-1 USED CARS

- 1968 Ford LTD, 4 door, Hardtop, Fully Equipped, Low Mileage  
EXTRA NICE
- 1968 Ford Galaxie - 500, 4 Door Sedan, 390 V8, Cruise-o-matic, Select Air, Power Steering, Selectair.
- 1967 Ford Galaxie 500, 4 door Sedan, 390 V8, Cruise-o-matic, Power Steering and Brakes, Selectair.
- 1966 Ford LTD, 4 door, Hardtop, 390 V8, Power Steering, Brakes and Windows, Cruise-o-matic, Selectair.  
EXTRA NICE
- 1966 Ford Galaxie 500, 4 door Sedan, 390 V8, Cruise-o-matic, Power Steering, Selectair, All Vinyl Interior.  
A BEST BUY
- 1965 Pontiac Tempest Lemans, Hardtop, 326 V8, Power Steering, Factory Airconditioned.  
EXTRA NICE
- 1965 Ford Galaxie 500, 2 door, Hardtop, 289 V8, Cruise-o-matic, Airconditioned.
- 1964 Ford XL Hardtop, 352 V8, Cruise-o-matic, Power Steering, Selectair, All Vinyl.
- 1964 Ford Fairlane 500, 2 door, Hardtop, 289 V8, Standard Shift, Airconditioned.

MOTOR COMPANY  
MILLER



## Christmas Cheer

Let's pause at this time of joy and expectation—and take time to seek out the true meanings of this happy holiday.

Farm & Ranch Supply  
Co-op.

CHARLES SOMMERFELD, Mgr.



As the season's joy fills  
the air, we are moved to  
express our sincerest  
appreciation for the loyal  
patronage of our customers.

EVANT FLORIST

Kelsey Firestone, owner

Oleta Faye Horton

L.J. Brooks

May Christmas  
Bring You  
Joy and Happiness



Gatesville  
Public  
Schools

## Best Wishes for Christmas

Christmas is a special time filled with merriment for everyone. We hope yours is exceptionally happy since you made us happy by being a customer and becoming a good friend.



Rhoads Used Cars



## Christmas Joy

The angels trumpet the joys of the first Noel. May your heart be filled with that Christmas joy during this season.



### Gibsons Variety

MR. & MRS. CORTUS GIBSON



### Seasons Greetings

The holidays are here . . . and a chance to thank you for your patronage and wish you the best that this happy season has to offer.

### City Drug Store

G.E. Clarke Dale White



### Christmas

### Greetings

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As the Christmas glow adds to the spirit of the season, we think it a fine time to thank all our customers for their very loyal and friendly patronage. A Merry Christmas to all!

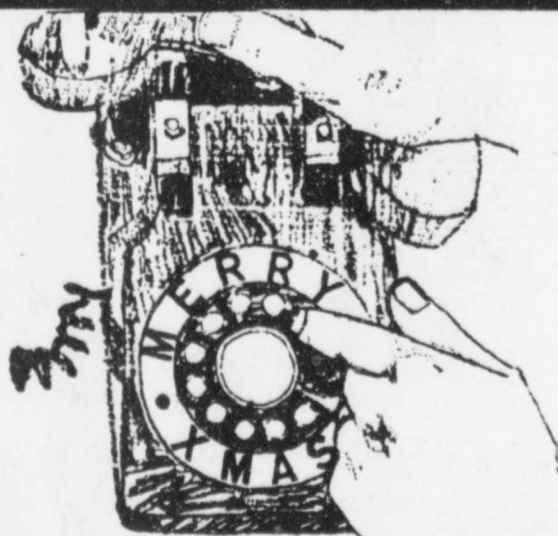
### Franks Saddle Shop

We're speeding our message of

holiday greetings to friends far and near. Happy holiday to you.



### Pollard & Sellers Barber Shop



We're calling to wish you a very Merry Christmas

**Gulf States-United Telephone Company**



Friends of the Library sponsored a Christmas Story Hour December 14 at the Gatesville Public Library. Peppermint Candy Canes were given to all the listeners. Mrs. James McLean was the storyteller. Those present were Marcus Langford, Stephen Langford, James Floyd, Nancy Floyd, Beverly Floyd, Bonnie Floyd, Peggy Pollard, Natalie Neimier, Susan Lee, Gay Cobb, David Ballard, Lee Ann Ballard, Randy Ballard, Terri Lynn Gordon, Bonnie and Ted and Terry Brock, Talitha Wright, Patricia Garcia, Charlotte Harvey, Wayne Harvey, Kelly Miller, Margaret Miller, Carol Cornish, Joey Russell, Russell Vandiver, Tannon Woodson, Timmie and Tommy Blanchard, and David Brown.

As another year of very pleasant associations comes to a close, we extend all the joys of the season. May good fortune and good health be yours to enjoy.

### BLAKLEY FLOOR SERVICE



### Greetings

When fun things for the kiddies are under the tree, it's time to thank you for your very kind patronage and wish you a Merry Christmas.

### Dixon Drive In Grocery

Joe & Jean Dixon

MIKE GERALD GARY



### GREETINGS Farm Bureau

CARL BARNHILL

### Christmas is a time of the Spirit



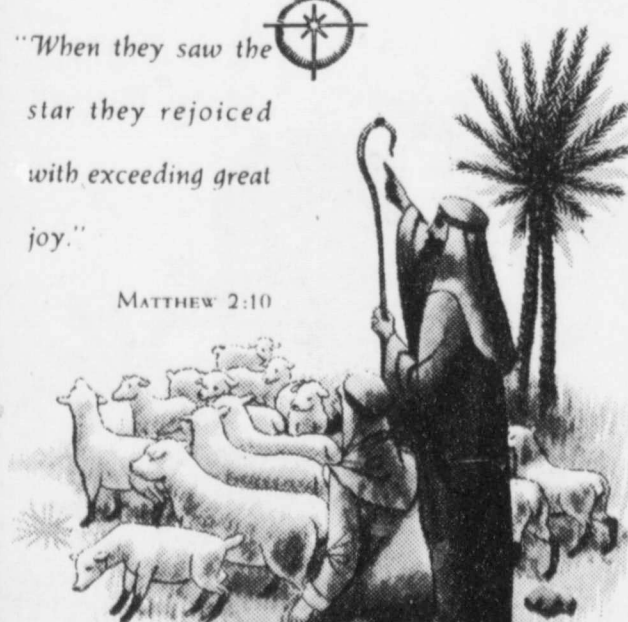
H.B. Davis  
5 10 & 25¢ Store



### HAPPY HOLIDAY

A jolly Santa on his way . . . a house warmed with the spirit of the season . . . such are the things that make Christmas. May such things, and many others, be yours and your family's to enjoy.

### KOCH'S ENCO PRODUCTS



"When they saw the star they rejoiced with exceeding great joy."

MATTHEW 2:10

### Christmas Joy

Cotton Davidson  
Sinclair

### Singing Carols

With voices lifted in harmony for "Silent Night," "The First Noel" and other beloved songs, today's carolers carry on a Christmas custom that originated centuries ago.

In the fourth century A.D., St. Basil was praised with a musical poem in honor of the fight for Christianity over the Byzantine emperor Julian. Later in Greece, legends

of St. Basil were set to music and sung at Christmas and the New Year.

St. Francis of Assisi led the villagers of Greccio in singing hymns of praise to the Christ Child when in the 13th century he created a manger scene in this Italian town.

### Merry Christmas From The News

The warm wishes we send today are but a mild expression of our feeling toward you at this

Holiday Season.



Old-Fashioned Greetings  
DARRELL SNODDY T.V.



Wishing you all the warmth and joy of Christmas.

### Schloeman & Ashby REFRIGERATION & ELECTRIC SERVICE

### Holiday Greetings

May the heartlifting joys of the Christmas season shine in your memory in the days ahead. Thank you for your good will.



### PERRY'S KNOWN FOR BETTER VALUES



### Rolling your way with GOOD WISHES

To all our customers, sincerest wishes for a Christmas that hums with complete joy and happiness. And for the pleasure of having served you, our thanks!

McCallister's







BOTH ELEMENTS THAT LED TO TODAY'S Christmas tree — the Paradise Tree and the Christmas Lights pyramid — are shown in this antique Christmas card of the 1880's. The card was published by Opbacher Brothers of Munich, Germany, and is part of the Hallmark Cards Historical Collection.

## Tree Radiates Yule Meaning

The Christmas tree, a universally recognized symbol of the merriest season, radiates the meaning of the Christmas story.

For many people, the tree recalls the atmosphere of the holiday home and thus reflects the joyful warmth of the season.

As a religious symbol, the tree with its lights and greenery represents both the story of the garden of Eden and the belief in Christ as the "Light of the world."

Although only a century and a half old in America, the custom of the tree has a history that is measured in many centuries. The forerunner of today's Christmas tree was seen in medieval miracle plays, which were produced as religious instruction for the illiterate — in an era when illiteracy was common and the ability to read a rarity.

A play about Eve's eating the forbidden fruit in the garden of Eden was enacted with only one prop on stage, a single, apple-laden fir that became known as the Paradise Tree. The play ended with the promise of the coming of Christ and was usually presented just before Christmas.

At about the same time, people also decorated for the Christmas season with pyramid-shaped frames of light, symbolizing the birth of Christ as the Light of the world.

Early efforts to combine the Paradise Tree and the Christmas Light pyramid are recorded in manuscripts from Germany dating to the 15th century, collected by the Hallmark Cards research library.

The first tree was thought to have been brought to the United States by Hessian

## EVANT NEWS by Cornelia Kreid

### EVANT CHRISTMAS STORY

Christmas has come to Evant with time all run away for calling the news reporter, if there is any news, for the reporter to write it, if it was called in and for the readers to read it if it was written. But Christmas is here—and we love it.

Especially is the sound of little children snoring, like so many kettles boiling, instead of having to be yawning and catch a school bus; is the sweet quiet of vacation. All the flurry of parties at school left them totally full, totally happy and the teachers totally exhausted. All but the report cards were finished on Friday.

Smiling faces of pastors and their families going about to light up faces of their members, in pop calls is a happy note. Warmer wishes can never be had than neighborly calls at Christmas.

Ending the tour of the "door prize" won at the opening of the newly located florist, the brightfaced glads, stopped at the home of an invalid, to remain for the rest of its life. A new family, the Upshaws, and a young man, age seventeen, paralyzed, from a car wreck, makes ones best Christmas heart leak sympathy. Like the "happy little Christmas tree", the arrangement looked as pretty after a week as it did the day it was made up. Mybe it was like the smiling face of the local pastors—for it was a missionary, calling on many shut-ins before it finally came to rest in one place.

Winter came, along with Christmas, first in a norther that reached almost storm magnitudes, then in a quiet mist that settled down veiling all aspects of seeing very far. But who needs to see at Christmas, when there is so much to smell and taste? Breaking the silence of one afternoon, was the local fire siren, followed by rushing off to help with a fire at Hamilton, soldiers during the American Revolution. These homesick soldiers and other immigrants carried the tree throughout the country.

A major setback almost occurred in Cleveland in 1851 when a pastor decorated a tree in his home. His parishioners condemned the tree as pagan, but relented after an explanation of its religious aspects.

Conservation-minded President Theodore Roosevelt again nearly stamped out the practice when he banned trees in the White House. After one of his sons sneaked a Christmas tree into the White House, a forerunner convinced the President that thinning helped forests.

The tree that is common today is a combination of the religious elements. The evergreen with glass, plastic or metal balls hanging from it is the Paradise Tree with its apples. Lights, tinsel, angels, a star on top, ornaments and other "good things" reflect the Christmas Light.

Lighting the Way Light and Christmas go together, for the deepest meaning of the holiday represents Christ, the Light of the world. From the bonfires and candles of yesteryear to the twinkling electric ornaments of today, light symbolizes Christmas.

According to Irish legend, a candle should always be placed in the window on Christmas Eve. Each Christmas, it was said, Christ wanders the earth in search of a welcome, and a candle should light the way.

home. Christmas is getting to write for Coryell County News, being able to send messages to its many readers, who have been "too kind for words", and who have helped take the place of a newspaper in Evant. A whole year of friendship has been created, and it seems just like yesterday, since it began.

Excitement for the children (and adults) came when a stray bullet, ran rampant, for its duration, from the center of the square one afternoon. With everyone interpreting differently, the news reporter decided to hide behind the facts that guns are made to kill and to keep at home. Christmas is excitement, but this is too exciting!

Christmas is the wedding of local postmaster and Mrs. James Inabinet's college age daughter, Lou. Pretty in every detail, it opened the week end and Christmas festivities Saturday evening, at the United Methodist Church. The Kenneth Hill's will make their home in Austin, where the house is already furnished, and the groom is employed. Lou is expecting to transfer from Tarleton State College to State University.

Christmas is coming home of college students, children and grandchildren, but if the families of these do not call the reporter, it will still be a family secret a year from now. Last year, Christmas was a failure of trying to call everyone in the phone book to beg for this news.

Christmas will be news if you call 3437.

Christmas is candy from the Hamilton Herald-News. It is the best kind the reporter gets, so thanks for thoughtfulness, putting up with this writer for all these (no telling how many) years! and for being part of conveying Evant's letter from

ADDRESS FOR FRIENDS OF AIRMAN AND MRS. LARRY HODO

Friends of Airman and Mrs. Larry Hodo will be glad to

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know they are now residing at 4502 S. Presa, Apt. 29, San Antonio, Texas, since he has been stationed at Lackland Airforce Base.

### PERSONALS

Word has been received from Gary Marwitz by his family, the Delvin Marwitz, but no address has been given, for him, in his new location in Vietnam. Blessings on all service men at this season.

Richard Miles, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bertrand, has reached home, with a discharge, after his three years.

He is at home with his parents, the Hays Miles family, but expects to enter college again. Home from the hospital is Mrs. Claud Griggs, beloved first grade teacher of Evant school.

Decorations of many colored lights both on the square and in the homes of many local citizens makes a colorful Christmas for Evant. Many homes are decorated equal to the neighboring towns.

Lonliness need not invade the hearts if every neighbor and every friend be a neighbor and friend to someone. Every heart shall know its low spots even at the time of peace in the heart and peace in the world is being begged for, but Christmas shall be what we see in life, all ties in our own kinds of strings.

So a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all... from all at Evant.



Merry Christmas

Evant Funeral Home

Mr. & Mrs. J. Y. Hamilton  
Robert Norman, La Juan and Pam

joy  
to your  
Christmas  
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Kennedy  
Wool & Mohair

EVANT, TEXAS

MERRY  
CHRISTMAS



Evant Food Locker

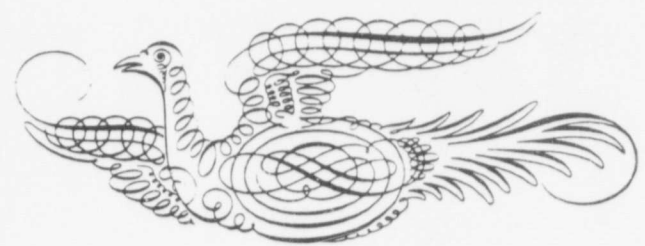
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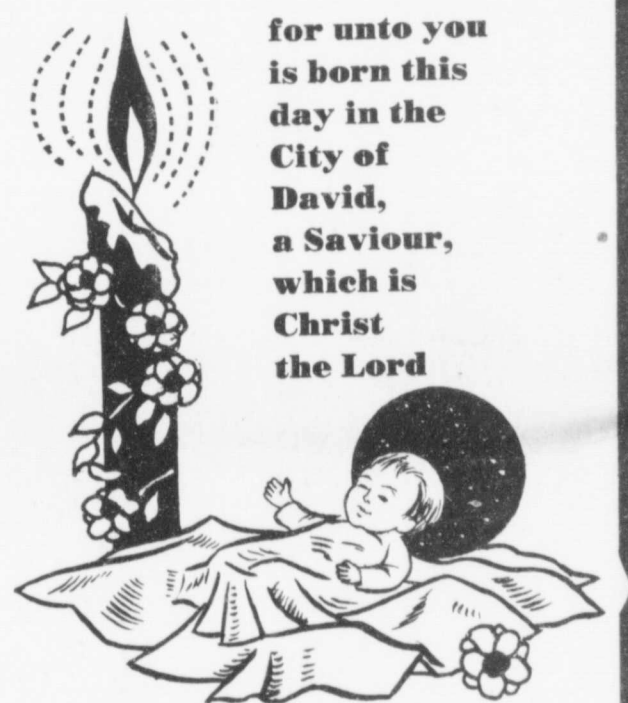
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The Blessings  
of the Season



Mittel's

"WHERE YOU GET SO MUCH FOR SO LITTLE"  
EVANT TEXAS



for unto you  
is born this  
day in the  
City of  
David,  
a Saviour,  
which is  
Christ  
the Lord

Horton's Garage

Evant, Texas

peace on earth  
good will toward men



The Christmas story, as marvelous and as significant as ever, brings us again to the realization of our many blessings. May you have your full measure during the Christmas season.

First National Bank

EVANT, TEXAS

Silent Night



George O'Hair Texaco

Evant, Texas

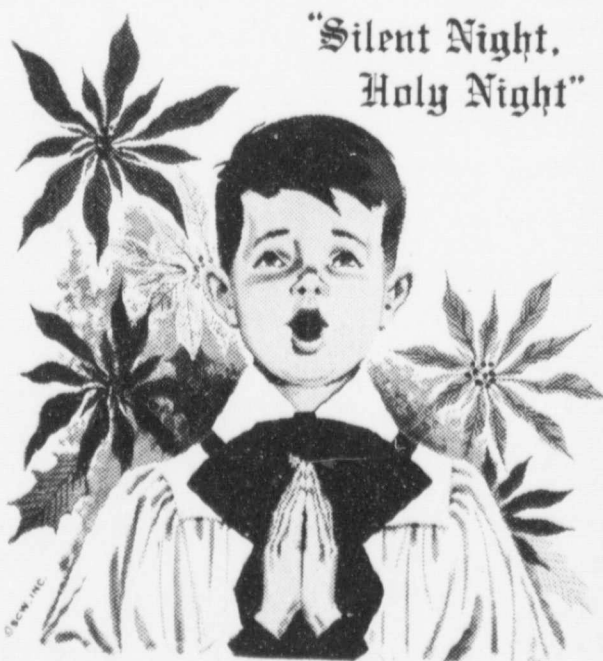
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MERRY  
CHRISTMAS!



Ben Flach

"Silent Night,  
Holy Night"



Evant  
Variety Store

Evant, Texas

May the joys of  
this Holiday  
Season be yours

Wayne's  
Warehouse

Kimbell Feeds

Wool and Mohair

Evant, Texas