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*"away in the manger no crib for his bed"*

This was the humble beginning of God's son, our Lord Jesus

and with His birth came faith, hope and the

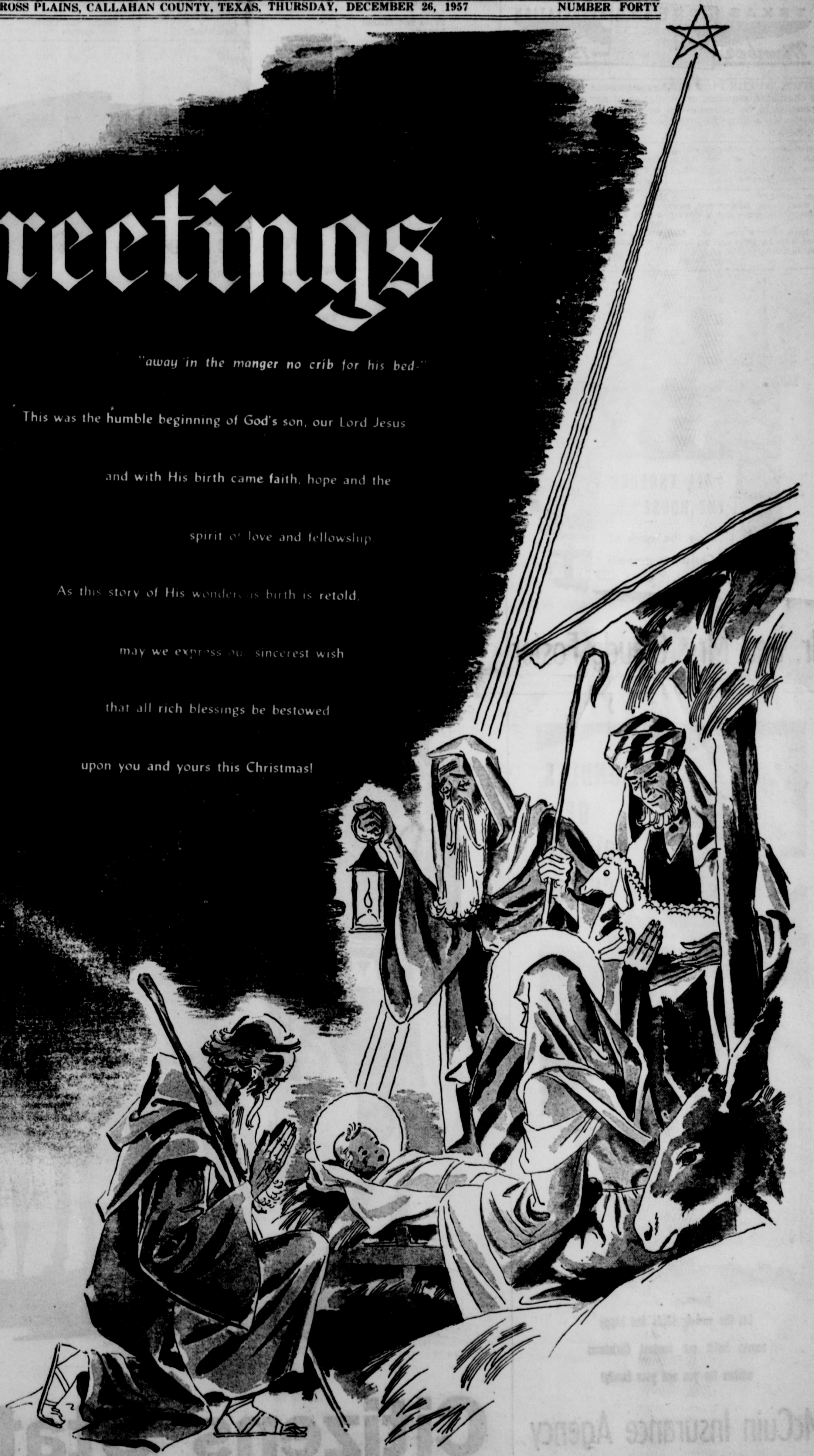
spirit of love and fellowship

As this story of His wonderful birth is retold,

may we express our sincerest wish

that all rich blessings be bestowed

upon you and yours this Christmas!



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Dear Santa:  
I want a new tricycle and some cowboy boots, guns and a cowboy hat.  
I have been a good boy. Also please bring my little brother, Lynn, some toys too.  
Love,  
Larry Tatom

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am six years old and have been a good boy this year. Please bring me a fire truck, a toy shaver, a squirt gun, bubble soap and candy. I will leave something to eat.  
Love,  
David Dennis



Mr. and Mrs. Claude Foster



Let the smiling faces and happy hearts fulfill our fondest Christmas wishes for you and your family!

**McCuin Insurance Agency**

MR. AND MRS. A. J. McCUIN

Cross Plains, Tex. Dec 12, 1957

Dear Santa:  
I live in Gardenville, Nevada, but I won't have time to write you, so will you please leave me an electric train. My name is David Lawler and I'm four years old. I have a little sister named Sharon and she wants a doll and buggy. We have both been good.  
Love,  
David and Sharon Lawler

Cross Plains, Tex. Dec. 15, 1957

Dear Santa:  
I'm a little girl too small to write to you so my Aunt Cookie is writing for me.  
Please bring me a doll and a pair of house shoes. I will be at my Grandpa and Grandma Clarks for Christmas. Don't forget my little cousins in San Diego, also my Grandma and Grandpa Woody.  
Love,  
Terri Jean Woody

Dear Santa:

My sister, Teresa Ann and I have tried hard to be good children and we do hope you can bring us the following things for Christmas. I want an army rifle with bayonette, football, pool table, and an electric football game.  
Teresa Ann wants a doll, doll bed, buggy and baton.  
Love,  
Sammy and Teresa Ann Balkum

Cross Plains Review

Box 578  
Cross Plains, Tex.  
Dec. 9, 1957

Dear Santa Claus:  
I should like to have a sky-sweeper and a Roy Rogers set. I am trying to be real good now. Don't forget the other boys and girls.  
Merry Christmas to you.  
Love,  
Jim Whitton

Thursday, December 26,

Cross Plains  
Dec. 19, 1957

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a pump, pumping up our basketball make-up set. I would like books, a coloring book and with earrings, necklace, high ed shoes, a pink dress and a purse.  
Your friend,  
Fannie Watkins



# Citizens State Bank

# OUTDOORS IN TEXAS



**By VERN SANFORD**

There is an old saying about winter separating the men from the boys. The men stay home by the fire and the boys go out. Well, that isn't exactly true any more. Many Texans have learned some of the finest fishing in the state during the cold months.

There is a new kind of fishing. Men work at fishing now. They don't just set out trot poles or a few cane poles and let the fish do the work. They get in fast boats and go across the fine lakes of Texas. They've learned new tricks making fish hit the bait. Also have learned how to find these

fish. For instance, right now there is a wonderful white bass fishing. They caught trolling and with minnow still fishing. Most of the time, however, is in following the fish to find these fish.

**Follow the Gulls**

It is an old trick on the coast. Men go down there for years following the gulls, especially in the trout schools. Now they are doing the same thing on Texas lakes.

It is necessary to have a rugged boat and a motor with enough power to put you there in a hurry. The custom is to work around the lake until you find a flock of gulls. Watch them and you'll find where you can load the fish. A rule one gull flies low over the water. When the white bass are chasing shad and the shad are the fun begins.

Other gulls nearby watch this and when they see it has the shad, they all join in and drop down on the water. That's the time you want to drop your net and start jigging. Some call it "gulling" and others have still other names for it. Anyway, the process is simple. With a good

spoon like the Dixie Jet, or the Abu spinner, you want a light action rod, capable of responding to the lightest action on the part of the fish.

**Using Spinning Reels**

Perhaps spinning equipment is best for this purpose. I personally use a Mitchell reel, with a 6-foot Mitchell spinning rod, with a 6 pound monofilament line. One of my fishing buddies uses one of those new free-spooling Ambassador reels, also produced by Garcia.

We drop our lures to the bottom, reel them back a turn or two and then start a tantalizing vibration of the rod, by raising and lowering the tip slightly, mostly with wrist movement. Sandies strike on the down movement of the lure. For that reason if your upward movement is too quick or severe you'll probably lose your fish.

With a little practice you can tell very easily when the fish has taken the lure. He'll telegraph you when he's ready and then you have a nice fight on your hands with this light equipment.

We mentioned the above equipment so that you will have some idea of tackle most suitable for this type of fishing. This same tackle also is very good for sand bass fishing in fast water, such as you'll find below our dams in Texas.

While some of this fishing also is done with spoons, this is a fine place for free minnow fishing. Use a bubble some 18 inches above your hook, with enough waterweight to carry it out.

Of course many fishermen sit on the banks with cane poles and use worms or drag spoons through the swift running water. Some of these catch fine strings of the whitties or sandies.

Texas has a limit of 25 on sand bass. Oklahoma doesn't consider it a game fish and has revoked the limit. Still the fishermen are not able to catch them all.

Every large impoundment in Texas now has sand bass. They are lots of fun to catch.

**Fishing for Blacks**

Of course black bass also can be caught this time of the year. The process is not the same. While there are some plug casters who have just about as much luck in the winter, with top water plugs, as they do in the summer, generally the big ones dive deep and hit hard.

On Lake Texoma a few Sundays ago we watched two fishermen work around the Willow Springs Camp on the Oklahoma side. They used

nothing but top water lures and caught a big string of blacks. Most of them were around a pound and a half, but some went as much as two pounds.

Some other Texoma fishermen have found they can use heavy salt water equipment, with Hellbenders or similar lures. These lures run real deep. With the heavy equipment the fisherman can jerk loose from brush in the bottom of the lakes. They don't catch too many small fish, but occasionally they come up with some big lunkers.

A new lure has been made by the Hellbender people. It is called a stinger.

It looks like a long worm, with hooks in it. This usually is strung behind a Hellbender or similar plug, and not worked too fast. Cast it toward the shore and pull it out close to the bottom.

Here is a word of caution, however. A bass will take hold of the tail end of this lure and slowly suck it back into his big mouth. Don't jery too quick. Be sure he's swallowed it.

This artificial worm is a wonder-

ful lure for either summer or winter fishing, if worked right. But it takes practice.

Yes sir, winter is a good month to go fishing. See you at the dam.

**Cross Plains  
Dec. 20, 1967**

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I want some jacks for Christmas, a Mickey Mouse game and a Mighty Mouse game, a doll and doll buggy, a tiny tears doll and a Santa Claus doll, a guitar and a drum.  
Ella Sue Duncan

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I want a baton for Christmas and some shoes.  
Yours truly,  
Vago Simons

**Dear Santa:**  
Will you please bring me a big dump truck? Thank you.  
Mike Justice

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I would like for you to bring me a sewing machine and a watch, also a bicycle. Thank you.  
Brenda Gail Newton

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
For Christmas I want a doll and a Christmas book. I like to see you on the TV some day, Santa Claus. I love you Santa.  
Love,  
Jean McFerrin

**Dear Santa:**  
I want a pair of guns, a basketball, a football, a flashlight camera, and Fort of Apache, and a bow and arrow, for Christmas. Thank you.  
Your friend,  
Randy Montgomery

**Dear Santa:**  
Please bring me a cooking set, a sewing machine and a pair of gloves. Thank you.  
Vickie Hargrove

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
Will you please bring me a football? Thank you.  
Danny McGowen

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
Please bring me a doll and a doll bed and dishes. Thank you.  
Linda Duncan

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
Will you bring me a Roy Rogers gun and Roy Rogers truck and a train? Thank you.  
James Huntington

**Dear Santa:**  
I have been a good boy. I want a 14 wheel trailer truck, boots and a football and B-B gun and a pair of guns and a cowboy fort too. Please bring it all.  
Robert Glen Merrill

**Dear Santa:**  
I have been good and want you to bring me an electric train. I want a pair of guns, and I want a B-B gun too. Bring a football and a cowboy fort.  
Bobby Sipes

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
Will you please bring me a Roy Rogers gun set and a size 24 bicycle. Thank you.  
Jack Tunnell

**Dear Santa:**  
Please bring me a doll buggy and a set of dishes. Thank you.  
Kay Justice

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I want a doll and a doll high-chair for Christmas. Please remember my mother and my daddy. Thank you.  
Your friend,  
Rene Gary

**Dear Santa:**  
Please bring me a doll buggy and record player, Tiny Tears doll, teddy bear, blackboard and some dishes, if you have any left. I have been real good.  
Jean Falkner

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I want a football helmet for Christmas. Santa remember all the other children too. Thank you.  
Your friend,  
Allen Lovell

**Dear Santa:**  
Please bring me a toy stove, ice box, and sink and a little doll that cries.  
Don't forget my little sister, Kim. Bring her a rocking chair and a doll. Thank you, Santa.  
Beverly Tatom

**666**  
LIQUID OR TABLETS  
GIVES "SUPER" RELIEF  
FROM ALL THOSE MISERIES  
OF "WIND-TO-STOM" COLIC

**GREETINGS TO YOU FROM US!**  
We're enclosing our best wishes for a heap of holiday fun in this Christmas message to you!

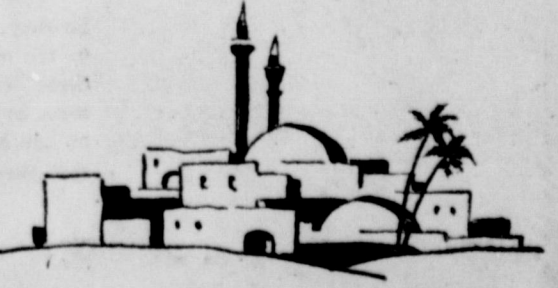
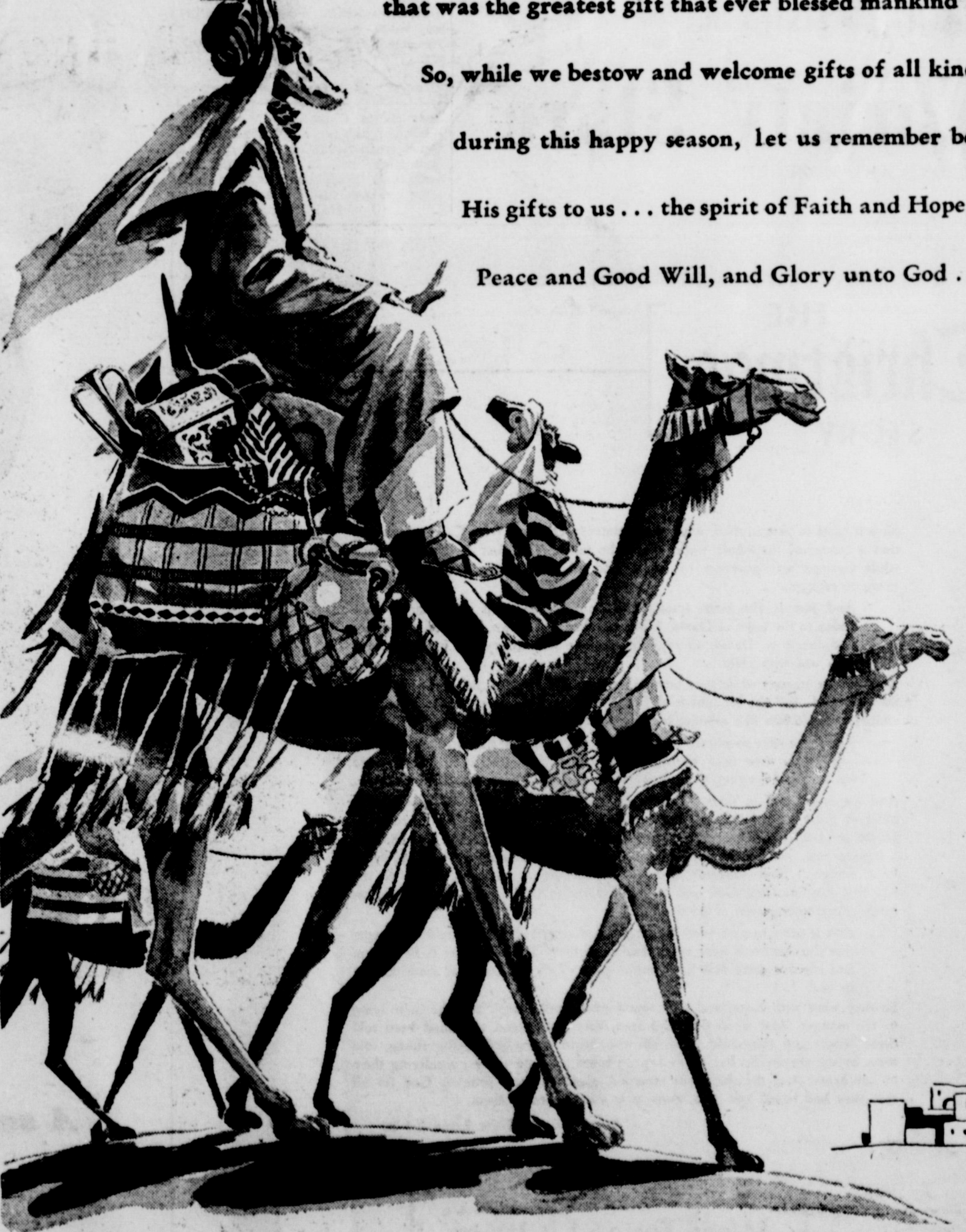
**Settle's Tailor Shop**  
MR. AND MRS. JIM SETTLE

# The Star of Bethlehem



At Christmas time, may our hearts open wide to the meaning of the day, and the birth of our Saviour that was the greatest gift that ever blessed mankind . . .

So, while we bestow and welcome gifts of all kinds during this happy season, let us remember best His gifts to us . . . the spirit of Faith and Hope, Peace and Good Will, and Glory unto God . . .



**Higginbotham Bros. & Co.**

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a record player, a radio doll and electric mixer, can-can and a set of doll dishes and some skates too. I have been a good girl.

Teresa Jo Driskill

Dear Santa:  
I would like to have some games and some books for Christmas. My sister would like very much to have a doll with pretty dresses.

Love,  
Carolyn Tunnell

Cross Plains  
Dec. 19, 1957

Dear Santa:  
For Christmas I want a pellet rifle, a football suit and a pair of guns.

Johnny Wooten



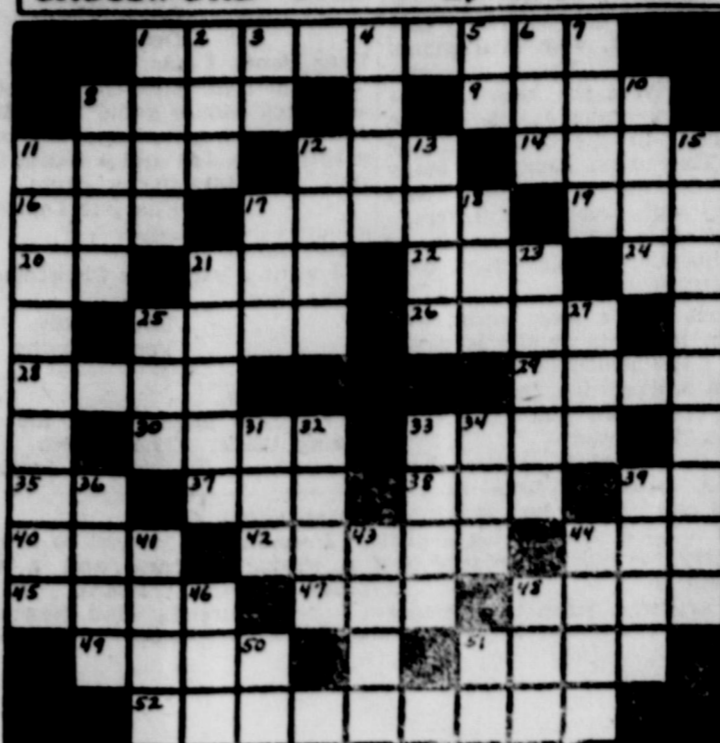
## Greetings to One and All!

We'd like to send our good wishes into every home and heart this Christmas to ensure the blessings of the holiday season to all our friends and their families.

# Bryan Variety Store

LLOYD AND MOZELLE

### CROSSWORD By A. C. Gordon



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| <b>ACROSS</b>            | 37 - Ignited                | 12 - Repel            |
| 1 - Hypnotize            | 38 - Metal                  | 13 - Seabird          |
| 8 - Leader's beloved     | 39 - Promissory Note (abb.) | 15 - Power            |
| 9 - A tide               | 40 - Gain                   | 17 - Container        |
| 11 - Festival            | 42 - Used by fiddlers       | 18 - Regret           |
| 12 - Satire              | 44 - ...straz               | 21 - Floral part      |
| 14 - ... a hint          | 45 - Acquire                | 23 - River            |
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| 17 - Administer to       | 48 - Shaking spell          | 27 - Chapera          |
| 19 - Boy's nickname      | 49 - Tall grass             | 31 - Tree             |
| 20 - Master of Science   | 51 - College dance          | 32 - Seethe           |
| 21 - Equality            | 52 - Second revealing       | 33 - Agitate          |
| 22 - Grate               | DOWN                        | 34 - Gain             |
| 24 - Chinese measure     | 1 - Measure                 | 36 - To approach      |
| 25 - To serve            | 2 - Before                  | 39 - Fruit            |
| 26 - Straight, of liquor | 3 - Thus                    | 41 - Row              |
| 28 - Salamander          | 4 - Exude                   | 43 - Ghat             |
| 29 - Without             | 5 - Preposition             | 44 - Full of interest |
| 30 - Simpletons          | 6 - Phonetic letter         | 46 - Burs             |
| 33 - Floot               | 7 - Titled man              | 48 - Start of arnica  |
| 35 - Preposition         | 8 - Chops                   | 50 - Perform          |
|                          | 10 - Indoor game            | 51 - 3, 1416          |
|                          | 11 - Rousing                |                       |

(Answers on Back Page)

Dear Santa Claus:

I can't say I've been a good boy but I have helped mother do the dishes and I help daddy play football and box so I am a helpful little boy.

I don't want much this year, just a record machine, a machine gun, a shooting gallery, a bowling set, a horn, a fort and a few little things.

My baby sister, Cindy, wants a doll with hair, a rocking horse, a tweety bird and anything else you have for babies. Cindy wasn't here last Christmas so she doesn't know much about it yet.

Daddy wants a yacht, whatever that is, and mother wants a Cadillac, that's a car. Don't forget all my friends and bring some snow, too.

Your friend,  
Clayton Kinnard

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a bicycle light, a camera, some train track, a B-B gun, a chemistry set, a basketball and basketball goal, some games and some cowboys and Indians.

Hal Dennis

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a shotgun and an airplane. Bring my little sister a doll. Thank you.

Your friend,  
Junior Ford

Cross Plains  
Dec. 19, 1957

Dear Santa:

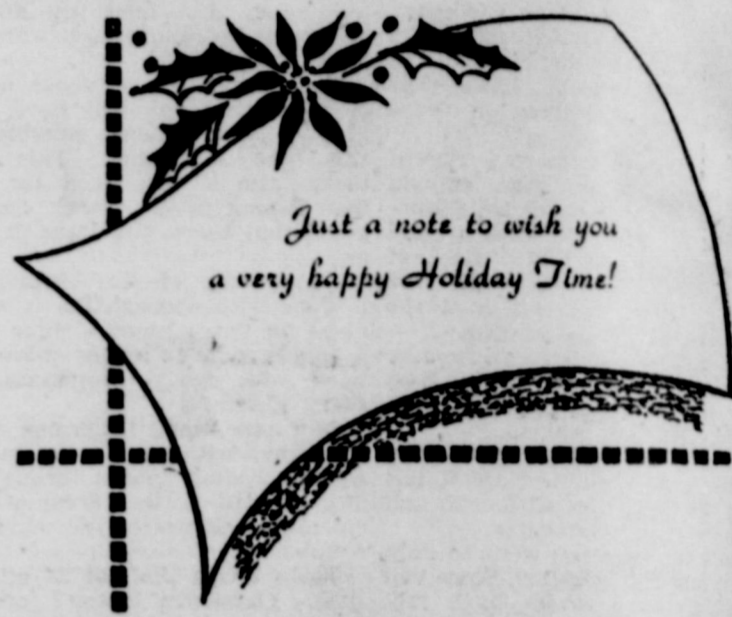
I would like some dishes, a little suitcase with some doll clothes, a little make-up kit and maybe a basketball for Christmas.

Patricia Ann



In step with the season, we wish you a Merry Christmas!

Mrs. Chas. Robinson  
CALLAHAN COUNTY CLERK



Hazel Reynolds  
CALLAHAN COUNTY TREASURER

## THE Christmas STORY

Now it came to pass in those days, that a decree went forth from Caesar Augustus that a census of the whole world should be taken. This first census took place while Cyrenus was governor of Syria. And all were going, each to his own town, to register.

And Joseph also went from Galilee out of the town of Nazareth into Judea to the town of David, which is called Bethlehem, being of the family and house of David, to register together with Mary his espoused wife who was with child.

And it came to pass while they were there, that the days for her to be delivered were fulfilled. And she brought forth her firstborn son, wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were shepherds in the same district living in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood by them and the glory of God shone about them and they feared exceedingly.

And the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which shall be to all the people, for today, in the town of David, a Savior has been born to you who is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign to you; you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." 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 among men of good will."

And it came to pass when the angels had departed from them into heaven, that the shepherds were saying to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has come to pass which the Lord has made known to us."

So they went with haste, and they found Mary and Joseph and the babe lying in the manger. And when they had seen, they understood what had been told them concerning this child. And all who heard marvelled at the things told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept in mind all these things, pondering them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all that they had heard and seen, even as it was spoken to them.

According to SAINT LUKE 2:1-20

We hope you will pause to read this old, old story because this is the true meaning of Christmas.

West Texas Utilities  
Company



We wish

all our friends

at this time of the year...

A season that sparkles

with holiday cheer!

# CITY DRUG STORE

L. D. AND HILDRETH BAYLESS

FOR SALE: '51 Model B John Deere Rollomatic and Power-1954, 8-11, one-way with cylinder; tandem disc and distributor. Contact James 4 miles east of town. 36-4p

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Have a complete stock Fire Works for your Christmas Season celebration.

Glenn Merrill  
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FOR SALE: Mahogany dining table with six chairs. \$40. Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

FOR SALE: Little wheat, oat and barley seed. See Tommy Harris, Cross Plains, Texas. 2tp

FOR SALE: Used pressure water system, including pump, and pipe for 40-ft. well. See C. W. Coats. 39-2tp

FOR SALE: Oilfield equipment: 3 welded 100 bbl. tanks, 12 ft. high, \$650; 2" regular tubing, 35c per ft.; 2" line pipe, 25c per ft.; 2 D. C. Jensen pump jack, \$375, polished rods and working bbl. complete; 100 bbl. bolted tank, \$125; 5/8" rods, 20c per ft. See Clay Kinnard, Box 664, Cross Plains, Phone 5-2673. 31-tfc

WANT TO BUY YOUR PECANS: See me before you sell. Vaughn Grocery, West Highway 36. 31-tfc

FOR SALE: Good used lumber, including 1x12; 1x8 and other dimensions and also used doors. See or call Jiggs Rutledge, Phone 5-4783, Rising Star, after 5 p.m. 31-tfc

FOR RENT: 4-room modern house, 1 1/2 blocks west of school building. Harry Coppinger. 36-tfc

FOR SALE: Cedar post. Jim Baum. 4tp

FOR SALE: 4-piece, ranch-style, solid oak bedroom suite. Practically new. Reasonably priced. Call 5-2162 or see Eddie Petty. 36-tfc

FOR SALE: Recleaned rye and recleaned and Seresan - treated wheat for seed. J. M. Greenwood, south of town on Brownwood highway. 31-tfc

FOR SALE: 2 Hotpoint automatic washing machines, in good condition. Priced to sell. Higginbotham Bros. & Co. 32-tfc

FOR SALE: 2 used wringer type washing machines. Higginbotham Bros. & Co. 35-tfc

PROCRASTINATING? That's easy to do. But why not purchase that monument you have wanted so long? We will sell you a nice one or a small down payment and the balance any way your credit justified. C. R. Myrick, Cottonwood, Texas. 31-tfc

BUTANE AND PROPANE: For prompt gas service, day or night, call 5-3221. We also have propane for bottle service. Rose Butane Gas Service, one mile east of town on Highway 36, Cross Plains, Texas. 34-tfc

FOR SALE: One 1954 Ford V-8 pickup; one 1954 Plymouth 4-door. Son Sipes. 35-tfc

SEED OATS: See us for good, second year Ferguson seed oats. Cox's Farmer's Market. 22-tfc

WATER WELL DRILLING and surface holes. See Jake Dallas or R. C. Merryman. 22-tfc

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FOR SALE: Early Triumph wheat seed, recleaned, treated and sacked. Recleaned and sacked A.S.C. approved rye and vetch. J. M. Greenwood, 4 1/4 miles south on Brownwood highway. 36-tfc

Cross Plains, Tex. Dec. 6, 1957

Dear Santa Claus:  
Well hi, Old friend. Here I am again with a list of toys I would like very much for you to bring me. I want a bike, an army set with a big tank, a burp gun, and just anything else you can spare that you think a rowdy little five-year-old might like.  
I have tried real hard to be good Santa, but you know how hard it is to keep from pulling Sissy's curls or pulling old Tom's tail, and sometimes my mommy gives me a certain look, and when she does I try to be awful good.  
I would also like some candy, fruit and nuts, and don't forget my two cousins in Abilene, and all the other little boys and girls. They love you too.  
See you soon,  
David Bradley Gambill  
P.S. Santa I still can't write by myself, so my mommy is helping me out.

Cross Plains Dec. 15, 1957

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl six years old and I am in the first grade. My teacher is Mrs. Bowden.  
I want for Christmas a doll with a bathanette, cowboy suit, boots, guns and a monkey. Don't forget all the other boys and girls.  
Thanks,  
Kathy Payne

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FOR SALE OR LEASE: 42-room hotel. Owner ill. Will sacrifice for quick sale. Inez Brown at Cromer Hotel. 31-tfc

## FOR SALE REAL ESTATE

Hotel, 42 rooms, five 25-foot lots, 7 garages. Priced \$8,000.00.  
5 room house and bath to be moved. Priced \$500.00.

Filling station and grocery stock, 24x40 tile building. Priced \$4,400.00.  
5-room house and bath, 1 lot Priced \$4,000.00.

70 2/3 acres, 15 cultivation, 1/2 minerals, no improvements. Priced \$65.00 per acre.

On Brownwood Lake 10 1/2 acres. Brick tile house 24 x 28 ft., 150 ft water front. Pump and pipe for watering land. Priced \$12,000.

210 acres, 70 in cultivation, 1/2 minerals, 7-room house, water well and windmill. Priced \$55. per acre.  
Old 4 room house to be moved. Price \$325.00.

100 acres, 68 cultivation. Good 5 room house, 2 producing oil wells Priced \$125.00 per acre.

6-room house, lot 50x140. North Main St. Price, \$3,000.00.  
45 acres, 20 in cultivation; 3-room house along highway 36. Water well and pump. Price \$75.00 per acre.

4-room house, 2 lots, north part of town. Price, \$3,500.00.  
4 room house and bath, 4 lots. Central Addition. Priced \$4,750.

106 1-2 acres, 40 acres in cultivation. Old three room house 1-2 minerals. Price \$50.00 per acre, about 5 miles northeast of Rising Star, Tex.

5 room house and lot, block 14 Central Addition. Price \$3,000.00.  
58 31-100 acres, modern six-room house. 25 acres in cultivation. Out buildings. Water, gas, electricity, 1-4 minerals. Priced \$7,500.00. Near Blake, Texas.

200 acres, 6 room house. About 100 acres in cultivation. Good barn and out buildings. Price \$100.00 per acre.

W. A. Williams place; 6-room house, 2 lots on North Main St. Price, \$6,000.00.  
120 acres; 40 acres in cultivation, 2 water wells, pasture fenced for goats. Half mineral. Price \$62.50 per acre.  
Apartment building for sale or trade on Main St.

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. . . to all of you from all of us!

We have enjoyed our neighbors, friends and customers all these 15 years we have lived around you.

We feel that our decision to make our home in Cross Plains after 22 years on the Plains of West Texas was a good decision.

Come to see us. We will be here next year.

**The Wetsels & Donald Rex**

**LESTER FARMER**  
CALLAHAN COUNTY JUDGE

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**a Very Merry Christmas!**

Just as Santa's smiling face brings happiness to the young and young-in-heart, so our sincere wishes reflect our thanks to you...for your friendship and good will. 'Midst the many greetings that will come your way, we wish to include ours for a joyous holiday, ever-blessed with joy and happiness

# Kizer Telephone Company

# Do You Remember?...

December 18, 1942

Funeral services for Henry Calvin Ingram, 75, were to be held from the First Methodist Church in Cross Plains Thursday afternoon, Dec. 17, with Rev. C. D. Wooten, pastor, officiating.

The first contingent of married men from Cross Plains to be inducted for military service will leave Monday with the Callahan County draftees for December. Going from Cross Plains will be Stanley Pierce, Artie Huckaby and William Coley.

Friday will be the last day of school until after Christmas in Cross Plains. Classes will be dismissed Friday afternoon until Monday morning, December 28.

Announcement was made here this week of the marriage of Miss Margaret Browning of Brownwood, formerly of Cross Plains, and Sgt. Greenwood of Camp Bowie on Monday evening, Nov. 23.

James Alexander, son of Mr. and Mrs. Doss Alexander of Pioneer, has been announced as one of the 23 lettermen in football this season at Abilene Christian College. A guard on the Wildcat team, Alexander is enrolled in ACC as a sophomore.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Barclay of Grand Prairie, formerly of Cross Plains, are the parents of a baby girl, born early Sunday morning, Dec. 12, in the Payne hospital at Eastland.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt Baker are the parents of a 7 pound, 12 ounce son, Kenneth Dale, born December 10 at the Brownwood Memorial Hospital, Burkett News.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Weaver are visiting her parents in Vineyard, Texas. Mr. Weaver will be inducted into the army December 18, at Lubbock, making the third Weaver brother to be serving in the armed forces. Burkett News.

Jules Upton, who joined the U. S. Navy several months ago, and was first stationed in San Diego, was recently transferred from New York where he was attending a torpedo school, to Norfolk, Va.

Miss Billie Ruth Loving of Cross Plains, junior student at North Texas State Teachers College, was recently initiated into Alpha Chi, national honor society on the campus. With membership limited to the ten per cent ranking highest in scholasticism in the junior and senior classes, Alpha Chi is designed to recognize and promote scholarship.

H. H. Cooksey received a message Thursday night that his brother-in-law, Strickland, was killed in a car accident and his sister was seriously injured. Cottonwood News.

Mrs. Minnie Decker of Brownfield is visiting in the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Tennon, here this week.

First Sergeant Billy Gray of San Bernardino, Calif., arrived here Sunday morning to spend the yuletide in the home of his mother, Mrs. W. J. Gray. He will leave Christmas day.

Complimenting Mrs. Harold Stephens of Abilene, formerly of this city, Mrs. Earl Smith and Mrs. Claude Stephens entertained with a miscellaneous shower in the home of the former Saturday afternoon, Dec. 12, from three until six o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Mauldin are the proud parents of a new baby girl who was born Dec. 13. Rowden News.

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Bill White, Cross Plains High School athletic coach and history teacher, has been tendered a similar position with the Baird school system after January first.

Announcement was made Thursday morning by the Texas extension service that County Agent Ross B. Jenkins would be transferred from Callahan County to Blanco County, effective January first. Ross Bryson of San Saba, will succeed Jenkins in this county.

Walter Woodrow Wilson and Miss Willie May Gaines of Cross Cut were united in marriage at the Presbyterian manse here Sunday afternoon with Rev. S. P. Collins, pastor, solemnizing the rite.

Dr. Maudie C. Longbotham of Cross Plains received word this week that her sister and niece, Mrs. D. C. Crawford and daughter were injured in an automobile accident in Bakersfield, Calif. The child, Ina Larie, two years of age, was killed.

Bertha Fay Cosart, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cosart, one of last summer's infantile paralysis victims, is to return to Dallas for examination Wednesday.

Bertha Fay spent sometime in Dallas in the hospital for crippled children but for the past several weeks has been at home strapped to a board, where she had been all the time except for short rest periods each day. The other two surviving children of this dread disease did not suffer so much from the after effect. Gharnell had one foot that is effected and Katherine one of her hips. They are also children of Mr. and Mrs. Cosart. Scranton News.

John Frank Brand of this place and Miss Pauline Stansbury of Atwell were united in marriage at Putnam Wednesday evening. Scranton News.

Mrs. Arthur Mitchell, Mrs. J. D. Stroud and Mrs. Jim Settle were joint hostesses when they complimented Mrs. Everett Jones of Baird with a miscellaneous shower at the home of the latter Tuesday afternoon from three until six Mrs. Jones was formerly Miss Jennie Laura Jackson of this place.

Earl Strong was elected to head Cross Plains Racket Club at a meeting of those interested in tennis Monday afternoon. Other officers chosen include: vice pres-

dent, Billy Junior Davidson; secretary and treasurer, S. R. Jackson, Jr.; reporter, E. W. Adams.

The Cross Cut girls won the Burkett tournament last week end. They defeated Moselle, Buffalo and Talpa. Individual trophies were won by Hazel Edington, Margaret Byrd and Johnnie Melton. Cross Cut News.

A deal was closed last week whereby Paul Shanks of Clyde, became owner of the Davis Hatchery here. Mr. Shanks will move the establishment to Baird and open for business there within the near future.

A transaction was closed Tuesday in which W. L. Bryan became owner of the R. L. Young barber shop on North Main St. The new owner assumed management Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Eager and babies, Misses Virgie and Jeannette Eager and Mrs. Eunice Starr were in Abilene the first of the week.

Noble Melton, who is attending Howard Payne College in Brownwood, spent the week end here. Cross Cut News.

Frenchie Bennett is out of school this week with an infected leg. Cottonwood News.

Mrs. Arthur Flahie received news Sunday of the death of her father, R. Enoch, 83, at his home in Pensville, Ind. Mrs. Flahie was unable to attend the funeral services due to the illness of her husband.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a Roy Rogers gun. Thank you. Dale Hunt

Cross Plains, Tex. Dec. 6, 1937

Dearest Santa:

Hi Santa. Well it surely won't be long now 'till you and your reindeer or your helicopter will alight in our drive way again. We won't have a fireplace, Santa, so you will have to come in at our back door as our Christmas tree is in the den in the back of our house.

I am seven years old and try always to be a good girl. I help my memmy make the beds and dry dishes. I also try to keep my room neat and tidy.

Santa, I want a baby doll in a suitcase with lots of doll clothes, a doll buggy, a stove, sink, and ice box, all for a little play kitchen, a new blue house coat and one or two new can-can petticoats with

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lots of ruffles on them. My little brother wants some toys too. He sure finds it hard to be good, Santa, but he keeps on trying anyway. Please go by and see my little cousins, Ann and Debbie, who live in Abilene and don't forget the other children.

Love you, Linda Joyce Gambill

Dear Santa Claus: I would like a B-B gun and a muscle building set. Thank you. Rickey Jones

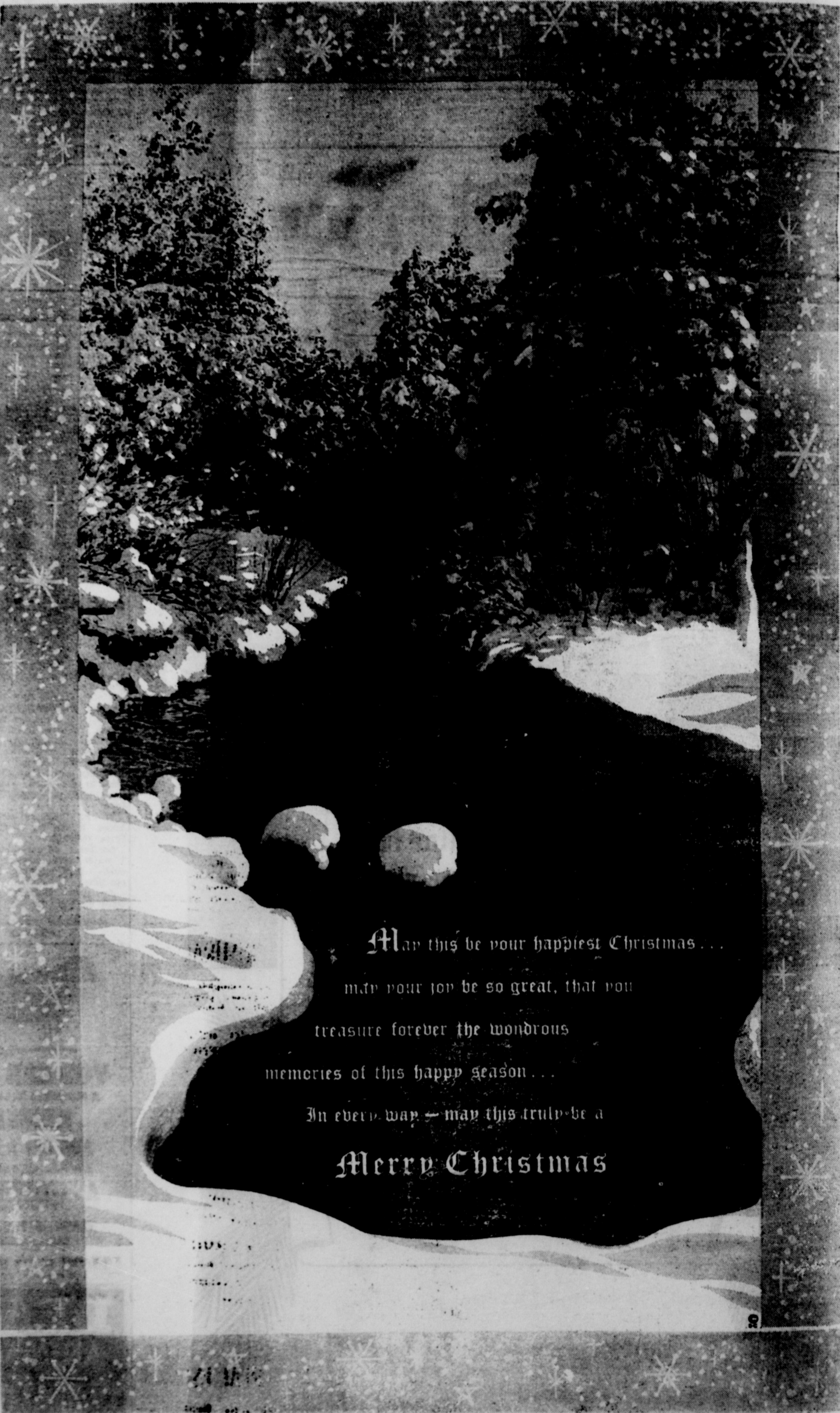
Dear Santa Claus: I would like to have a B-B gun and watch and a wagon. Thank you. Stuart Sowell

Thursday, December 26,

Dear Santa: I want a doll carriage and a red bicycle, a doll house and electric stove for Christmas. Remember other children. I want a cooking set too. Your friend, Dianne Petty

Dear Santa Claus: I would like a bicycle and a book for Christmas. Thank you. Katherine Elisabeth

Dear Santa: I want a flashlight camera a bicycle for Christmas. Remember all the other children. Your friend, David Mcroy



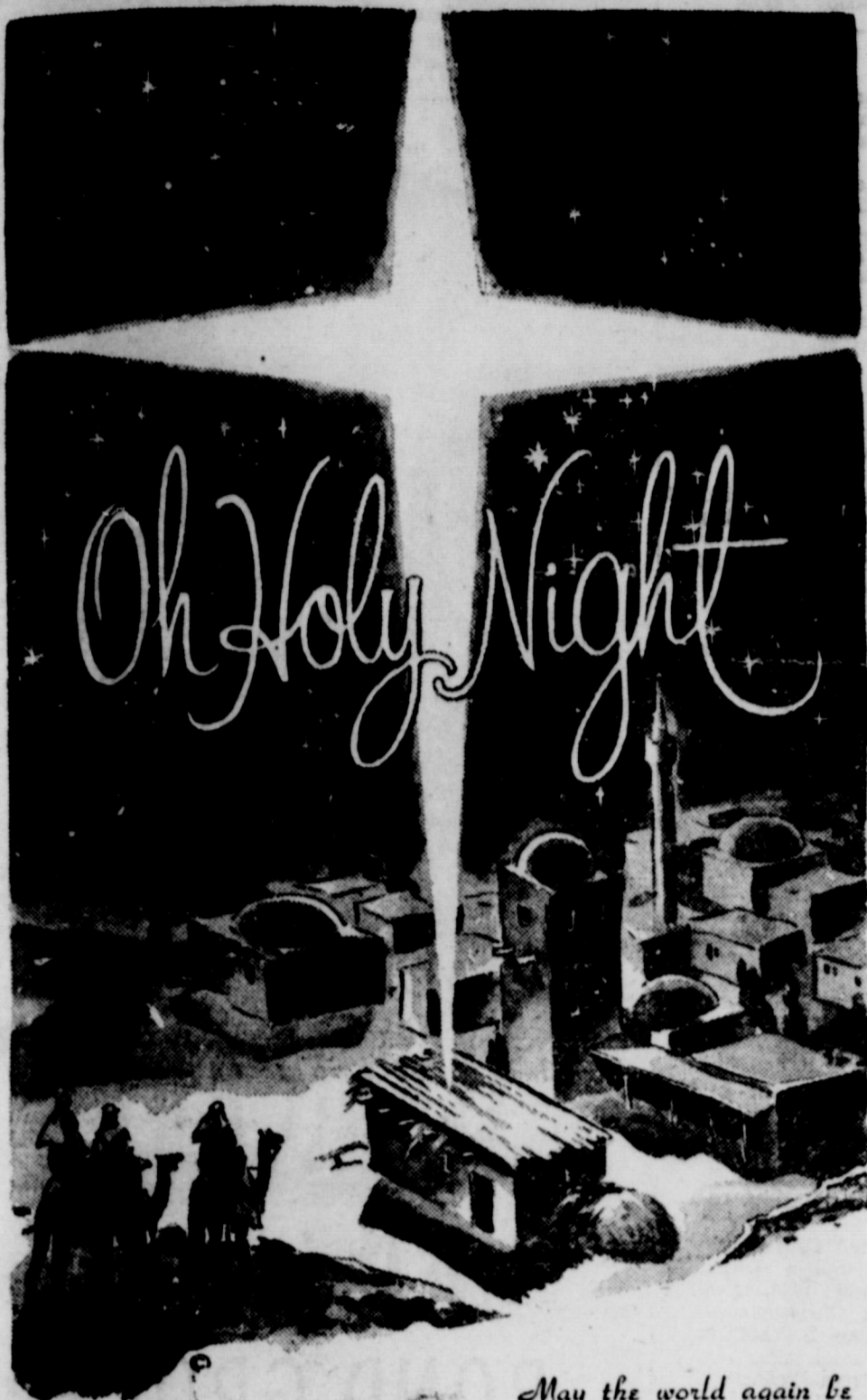
May this be your happiest Christmas  
 may your joy be so great, that you  
 treasure forever the wondrous  
 memories of this happy season...  
 In every way — may this truly be a  
**Merry Christmas**



Amid the gay greetings  
 and packages, too,  
 We send our best wishes  
 For Christmas to you!

Cross Plains Motor  
 CLIFF GILMORE — BUSTER GARY

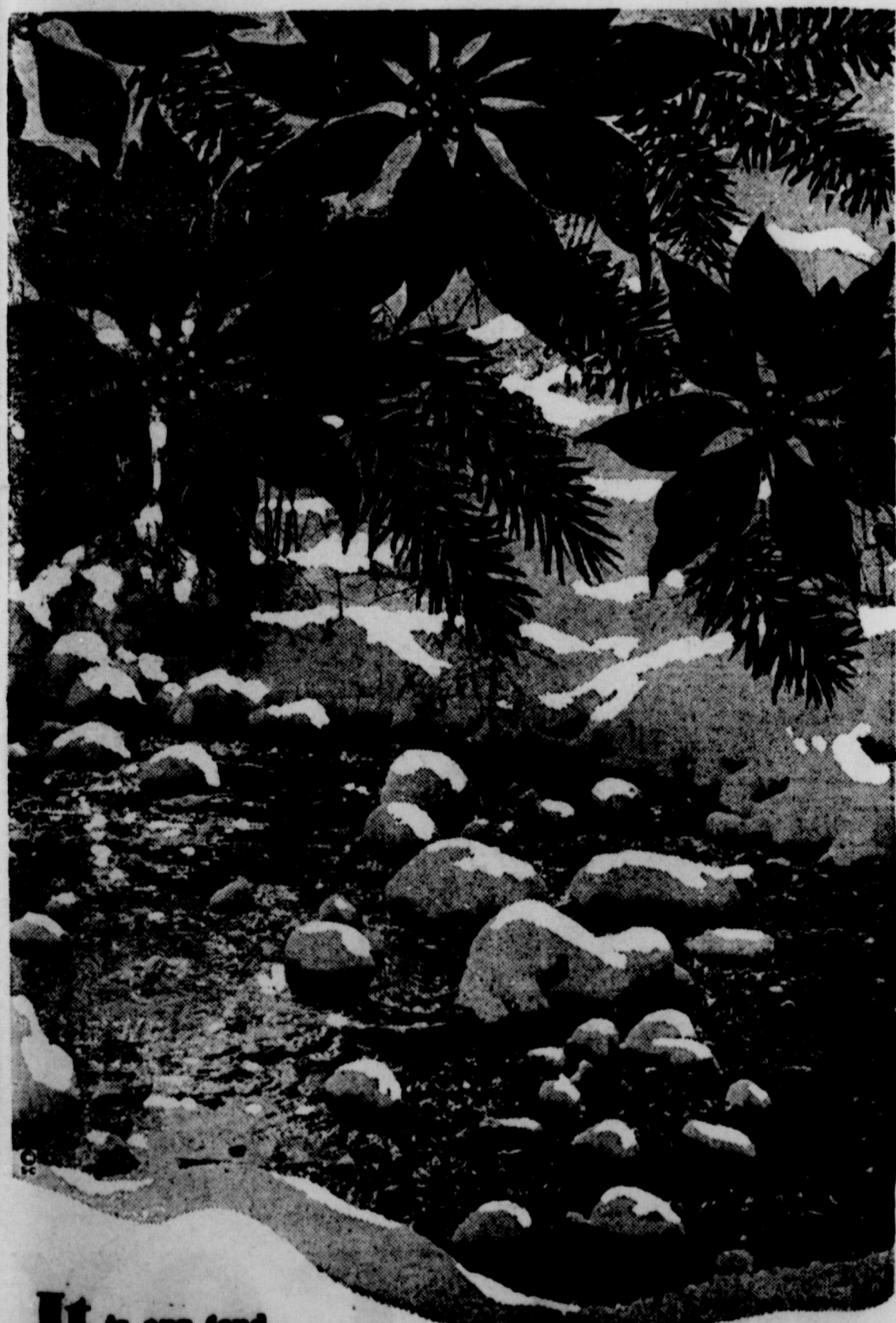
**CITY OF CROSS PLAINS**



May the world again be blessed by the beautiful message of peace and good will that was born in the little town of Bethlehem so long ago.

## ADAIR'S DRY GOODS

MARK ADAIR, Owner and Manager



It is our fond hope that the enchanting beauty of the Christmas season will be mirrored in happiness for you and your family.

Dr. Calvin Gambill, D.C.

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a doll and a doll bed, I would like a rocking chair too. Thank you.  
Billie Helen Gardener

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like a doll and a doll buggy and a color book for Christmas. Thank you.  
Janice Pittman

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me an electric train and a little pedal car. Thank you.  
O. B. Byrd, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like a fire truck and a train. Please bring me a bicycle and a Roy Rogers gun. Thank you.  
Lanny Kellar

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a can-can, a blackboard, teddy bear, doll bed and some little dishes. I work hard at home and for my teacher. I love you.  
Helen Parsons

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a doll bed, suitcase, record player and some little dishes. I have been a good girl.  
Rosalea Gracie

Dear Santa:  
I have been a good boy. I want a pair of guns, some shots for a B-B gun and a pair of cowboy boots to go with them.  
Max Thetford

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me some little dishes, a doll buggy, a teddy bear, a doll and a record player. I have been good at home and at school, too. I love you.  
Patricia Childers.

Dear Santa:  
I have been a good boy. I want a pair of guns and an electric train, machine gun and a B-B gun.  
Vern Webb

Dear Santa:  
I have been real good. Please bring me a wind-up train and a record player, a cowboy fort and a one gun holster and a machine gun too.  
Cecil Ray Kelley

Dear Santa:  
I have been very good and would like for you to bring me a B-B gun, train, record player, football too.  
Jimmy Cowen

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a washing machine, a doll, a doll buggy and that is all.  
Edith Nelson

Dear Santa:  
I have been a good boy. Please bring me an electric train, a B-B gun, a trailer truck. Please do bring me a knife and I will not take it to school at all.  
David Ingram White

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a record player. I want a doll buggy and some lamps for my room and a suitcase too. I love you.  
Sue Walker

Dear Santa:  
I have been a real good boy and would you please bring me a B-B gun, a pair of guns, a wind-up train and a cowboy fort. I love you.  
Mike Fritchlee

Dear Santa:  
I have been good and want for Christmas an electric train and a football. I'd like to have a 14-wheel trailer truck too. I have been good at school.  
Billy Strength

Dear Santa:  
I have been a good boy. Please bring me an electric train, pair of guns, B-B gun and boots.  
Mike Lusk

Dear Santa:  
I would like to have a pair of guns and a B-B gun for Christmas. I have been a good boy.  
Mike Rhodes

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a doll, a bed for my doll, some little dishes, some doll clothes and a coffee pot and dish washer. I am good at school.  
Terri Jan Neal

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like to have for Christmas a doll.  
Love,  
Judy Gibbs

Dear Santa:  
I would like to have for Christmas a walking doll and I also want a baton.  
Wanda Duncan  
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Dear Santa:  
I want you to bring me a tool set, it is called a Handy Dandy Set. It has a hammer, a saw and a wooden hammer. I would like to have a B-B gun for Christmas. I wish you a Merry Christmas.  
Your friend,  
Perry

Dear Santa:  
I want some books, games, a bill-fold, and a necklace for Christmas. Please bring my little sister a doll for Christmas because she loves dolls.  
Your friend,  
Margaret Thetford

Dear Santa Claus:  
Santa, I want a doll and a play-house with toys in it. I want the house to have three rooms. I also want a car and a book of Roy Rogers.  
Your friend,  
Mary Duncan  
Cross Plains, Tex.

Dear Santa:  
I am eight years old. For Christmas I want a football, a football helmet and an electric football set.  
Randy Walker

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a doll for Christmas.  
Love,  
Judy Gibbs



The carols of Christmas fill the air with our sincerest wishes for harmony and good cheer during your holiday.

## MAYES LUMBER COMPANY

CLAUDE — JUANITA — BILLY — REX



Our best wishes to one and all for a very merry Christmas!

## Pancake & Sons "66" Station

LEMONS — EDWARD — JACKIE — JOHNNY



# Greetings

In honor of our many friends of long standing, we pause to wish them all the blessings of the holiday season.

## Fresh Fruits & Vegetables

Oranges Lb. 12c Avacados Large 17c

**Apples** DELICIOUS Lb. 15c

SWEET Potatoes Lb. 12c WINESAP Apples few boxes left 2.75

## CANDY . . . MANY KINDS

MARYLAND CLUB, Instant Coffee 6 Oz. 99c Potatoes 10 Lbs. 59c

**Coffee** YACHT CLUB Lb. 75c

**LARD** ARMOUR'S 3 Lbs. 59c

WE WILL BE CLOSED  
WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY  
DECEMBER 25th and 26th



**S&H GREEN STAMPS**  
DOUBLE STAMPS GIVEN  
EVERY WEDNESDAY

### "PRECIOUS MEMORIES"

The time is here when we would have celebrated the 90th birthday of our father, Lee Davis Montgomery.

Dad wanted so much to live to be 60 years old, but his passing away, prevented his reaching this goal by a few months.

Well do we remember, as little children, how Dad would tell us about Santa Claus and his reindeer and how he would prepare us for Christmas, after a dry year, or when the boll weevils got most of our cotton crop, but we were never disappointed, for Santa always remembered us.

We, their children, can realize now, how great must have been the sacrifice of parents, in seeing that we had a happy Christmas.

We, as children, were taught to set the box that our newest shoes came in next to the wall, with our shoes placed on each side of the box.

Our shoes were high topped button or lace with shiny toes, and our long black ribbed cotton stockings were neatly folded in the shoes. Yes, we were taught not to trust our precious Christmas "goggles" being put in our stockings, that probably had a hole in the heel, anyway.

It is hard to believe that children in this modern day, have as much fun as we did, but then it might be that it's the number of birthdays behind us.

"Turn backward, turn backward, oh time, in your flight, make us a child again, just for tonight!"

In loving memory of our father and mother, Lee Davis and Ora Lee Montgomery.  
A daughter,  
Mina Conlee.  
(Pd. Adv.)

Dear Santa:  
I would like to have for Christmas a set of dishes and a doll and I also want a book and a note book.  
Your friend,  
Estoline

Dear Santa:  
I am in the third grade. I want a doll for Christmas. I think I have been a good girl this year. Don't forget all the other little girls and boys and don't forget my little niece, Terri Jean Woody. She will be at my house Christmas.  
Love,  
Barbara Clark

Dear Santa:  
I want a doll for Christmas and I also want some dishes. I want some puppies too. Will you bring a doll for Phil, my sister?  
Laneal Dillard

Dear Santa:  
I want a horse and a football suit, a church suit and B-B gun, too, for Christmas.  
Your friend,  
Joe Pope

### This Week's Puzzle Answers



### GREETINGS!

To all my friends in and around town . . . just to let you know I have not let you down. I will put this in the paper to make it all clear.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

W. A. (Slim)  
CRUTCHMER



*Greetings*  
.. to all our friends!

Harris Barber Shop  
Ab Harris Alton Tatom

### Dear Santa:

I want an electric train and a caterpillar for Christmas and I want a horse, too.  
Your friend,  
Bobby Payne

Dear Santa:  
I want a doll and a doll bed, and a lot of doll dresses for Christmas. I want a table and chairs for Christmas too.  
Love,  
Karen Sue

Dear Santa:  
I want a doll and a hair bow and I want a makeup kit and a nurse kit. I hope you can bring all this stuff.  
Dolores

Dear Santa:  
I would like a bicycle and B-B gun and a play motorboat, a blackboard, camera, typewriter, whip train, cowboy hat, holster guns, watch and coloring book.  
Terry Bell

Dear Santa:  
I would like a baby doll without hair and some dishes for Christmas.  
Garnette

Dear Santa:  
I want a doll with clothes and a lot of toys. I wish you a Merry Christmas, Santa. I wish everyone would have a Merry Christmas.  
Pat McMillan

Dear Santa:  
For Christmas I want a big truck, a set of dominos, a big car and a big train house and I hope everybody has a happy Christmas.  
Wilburn Jack Carrouth

Dear Santa:  
I want a car for Christmas and I wish that I had a train for Christmas, too, but most of all I want a train for Christmas.  
Mike Ingram

Dear Santa:  
I want a doll, desk, cart and some story books for Christmas. I hope to see your Christmas.  
Your friend,  
Cathy

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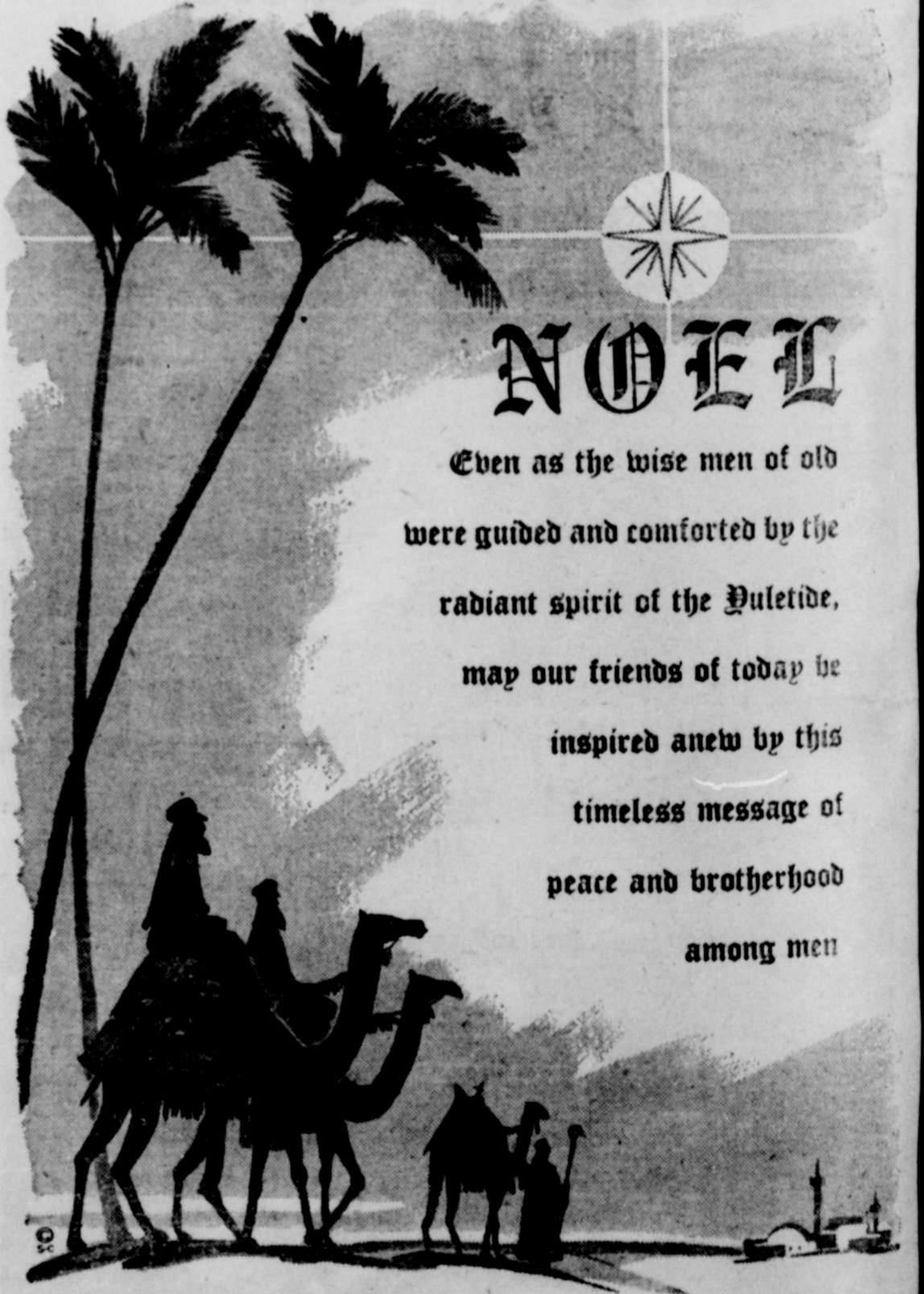
Thursday, December 28,

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a doll, some doll dresses. I also want a rocking horse and a farm set.  
Your friend,  
Mary Placke

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a pair of Roy Rogers and a toy train, also a Crockett set and a pair of guns.  
Tommy. Thank you.  
Your friend,  
Larry Duncan



Best Christmas Wishes  
**BOND GROCERY**  
FOSTER AND MABEL BOND



## NOEL

Even as the wise men of old were guided and comforted by the radiant spirit of the Yuletide, may our friends of today be inspired anew by this timeless message of peace and brotherhood among men!

**W. T. COX**  
**FARMERS MARKET**  
'Where Ma Saves Pa's Money'







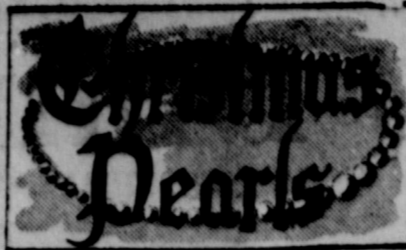
All the blessings of the season

May the guiding star of the true Yuletide significance

illumine the pathway for your journey through life...

# Worthy Grocery & Station

FONIA AND SYBLE WORTHY



By Royce Fields

THE JOLLY SANTA, ringing his bell in an appeal for contributions for the needy, grinned his thanks as Dick Slater dropped a bill into the kettle. The donation was a salute, not only to the Yuletide spirit, but to Dick's own good fortune. He had a home, a lovely wife named Jean, and a smaller reproduction of himself named Pete. What more could a man want?

One other thing made this a great day for Dick. He was on his way to fulfill a dream. While they were still engaged, he had bought a strand of simulated pearls for Jean. Somehow the feeling had grown on him that, until he could replace the phoney baubles with a string of real ones, he wouldn't be a success in the eyes of his dark-haired, brown-eyed Jean.

"Put this card on the outside of the package," he told the clerk who wrapped his gift. On the card he had written: TO A REAL PEARL—A STRING OF THEM!

It was beginning to get dark when Dick got off the train in suburban Roseville where he lived. He started to walk briskly toward his home, two blocks away. Happy in the glow of having at last realized his cherished dream, he didn't see the figure lurking in the dark alley till the man stepped out and thrust the gun into his abdomen.

"This is a stickup!" the thug snapped hoarsely. "Turn around and get your hands up!"

A feeling of relief flooded Dick as he remembered he had spent most of his money on the necklace. Then the thought hit him—the necklace itself was in his pocket!

"Listen fellow," he pleaded, over his shoulder, with the gunman, "I have a Christmas present for my wife in my pocket. Take my money, but leave me that."

The hoodlum didn't answer. Methodically, he continued taking everything out of Dick's pockets. As his hand started to remove the precious little package, Dick Slater went wild! He whirled, slapping with his left hand at about where he thought the gun would be. He caught nothing. The thief merely stepped back and brought the heavy gun crashing down on his victim's head.

AS THE DARKNESS cleared away, Dick became aware that he was in a hospital. Gradually, he realized Jean and little Pete were beside his bed.

"Oh Dick!" Jean half sobbed, half laughed. "I've been scared! The doctor says you only have a slight concussion, though, and you're going to be all right!"

As his head continued to clear, the realization of his loss overwhelmed Dick.



The thief merely stepped back and brought the heavy gun crashing down on his victim's head

"I had a present for you, Jean," he began.

"I know, Foolish," his wife cut in, "and you almost lost your life trying to save it."

"But it was the string of real pearls I've always wanted you to have, Jean. You know how much they meant to me!"

"Yes, I've known the silly obsession you've had about my wearing simulated pearls," Jean said almost sternly. "It never seemed to occur to you that my husband and little Pete were the real pearls in my life!"

"Well, this is going to be a bum Christmas for you," Dick said glumly, "and I thought it would be the best yet."

"It's going to be," Jean told him.

"Look!"

She put her arm under his shoulder and lifted him to a sitting position. In one corner of the room was a beautiful little Christmas tree. Piled high under it were the gifts he and Jean had wrapped for little Pete. Jean went over and brought back two of the packages. One was her present to him—a watch he had wanted. The other package... Suddenly, he recognized it—the pearls!

"Yes," Jean said, "my pearls. When the police caught the thief, he hadn't time to open them even."

Mrs. Walter Westerman and her grandson, Billy Mayes, and Bill Spencer have returned from Loco Hills, New Mexico where they visited during the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Campbell and family.

Robert Phillips, a student at Stephen F. Austin College at Nacogdoches, visited here Friday afternoon with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Osa Gattia, enroute to California to spend Christmas with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Fetps of Austin visited here for a short while Friday night in the Osa Gattia home. The Fetps were enroute to Lubbock to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Exal McMillan and daughter, Billie Helen, visited in Fort Worth Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hart.

S. R. Cochran is visiting in Eden with J. W. Wetly and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. James Oscar Koenig of Warren, Ariz., arrived in Cross Plains early Saturday morning to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Koenig and Mr. and Mrs. George Barnard and families.

Mrs. A. C. Billingsley and Miss Mattie Donnell left Sunday for San Angelo to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Max Lovett. They will also visit in Big Spring with Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Johnson before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Paul McCowen and family of Abilene spend the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charley McCowen and Mr. and Mrs. Olan Montgomery.

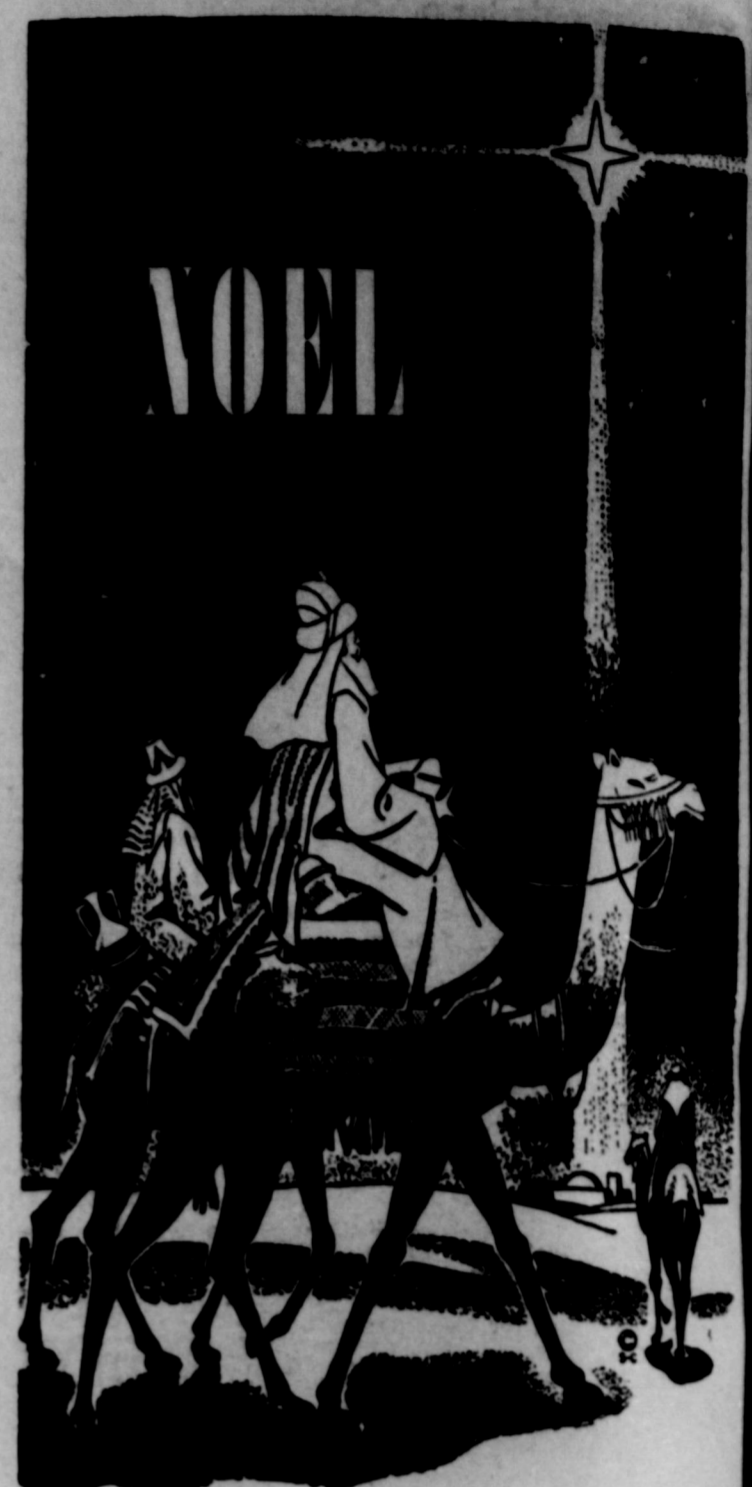
Clark Wilson returned to his home in Waco Saturday after visiting here for several days with his laughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Barr and Sandra.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cox and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cox and Carole were in Comanche Sunday to attend the annual Cox family Christmas dinner, held in the home of Mrs. Sarah Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Boyle and children of Howe are here spending the holidays with their parents in Cross Plains and Burkett. Mrs. Boyle and children and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hall were in Memphis, Sunday, where they visited with his ather, J. J. Hall and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wetzel and Donald Rex left Sunday morning for a visit with relatives in El Paso and Hobbs, N. M. during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Lucksinger and Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Arbuckle and baby daughter, all of Austin, are spending Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lucksinger.

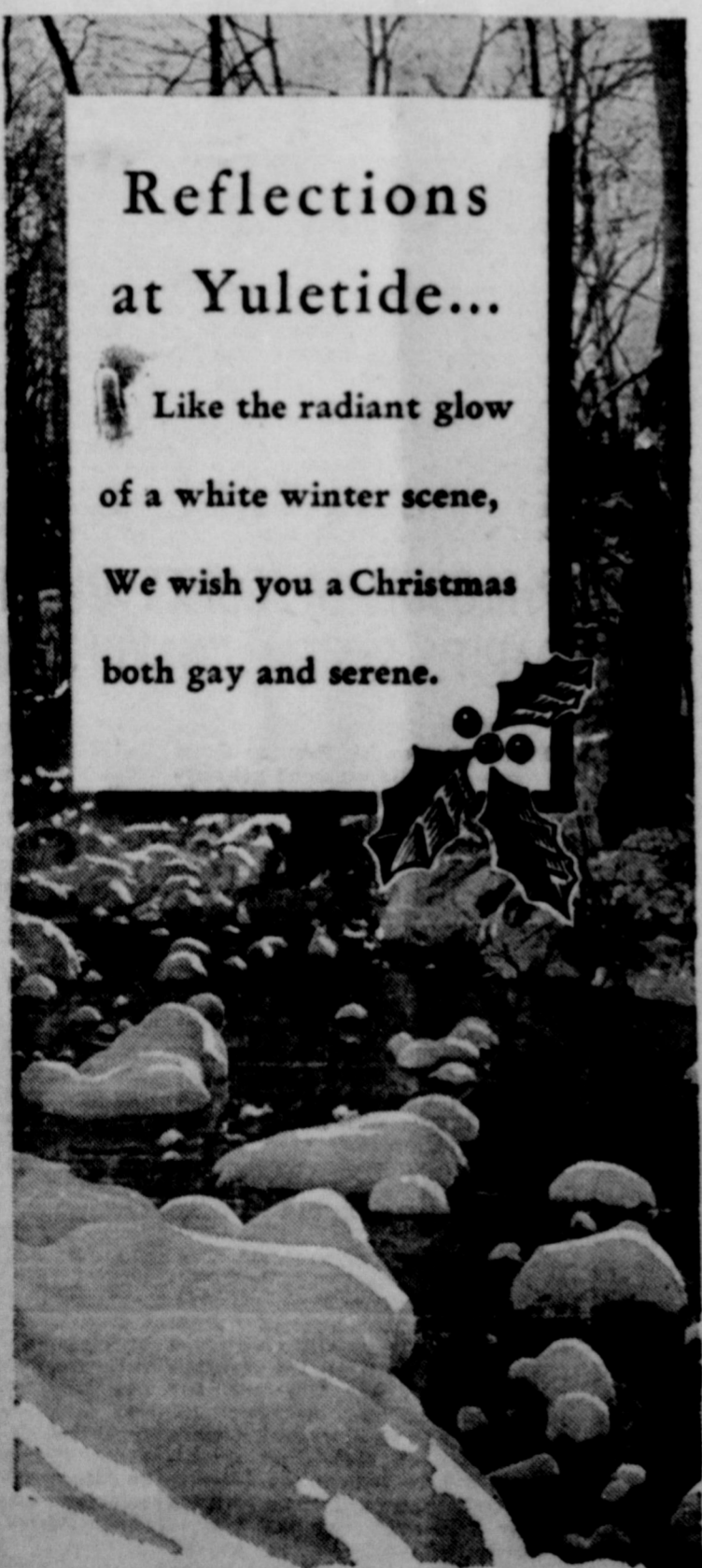


As we travel on our long journey toward the goal of spiritual understanding, may the light of true faith lead us to our destination.

# Dillard & Falkner Station

CHARLES DILLARD

DAN FALKNER



# GEORGE HUTCHINS

MAGNOLIA PETROLEUM COMPANY AGENT



As Christmas draws near, we would like to shout from the housetops, "Happy Holiday to all!"

# NITE & DAY CAFE

MORRIS AND DOROTHY ODOM

# Season's Greetings

Let the warm glow of Christmas cheer brighten your holiday!



**J. B. STRENGTH**  
AUTO PAINT AND BODY WORKS

## Best Christmas Wishes



**Vaughn Grocery & Station**  
MR. AND MRS. GLEN VAUGHN

Dear Santa Claus:  
Bring me a doll and a doll bed and a set of dishes, please.  
Love,  
Cynthia

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a .22 rifle and some bullets for my .22.  
Your friend,  
James Bradley-Calhoun

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a bicycle and also please bring me a bride doll.  
Your friend,  
Nelda Curry

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like to have a watch and some fruit for Christmas, please.  
Your friend,  
Barbara Renfro

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a football and an army set and 13 more army men.  
Your friend,  
Ivan Odom

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Panoake and sons of Odessa spent the week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Panoake.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a microscope for Christmas and please bring me a nurse kit too.  
Your friend,  
Peggy Sue Purvis

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like to have a football and notebook for Christmas.  
Your friend,  
Johnny Cowan

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a doll and a doll dress for Christmas. Bring all the little boys and girls nice things too.  
Thank you.  
Your friend,  
Euna Lee Covington

Dear Santa:  
I want a gun and an airplane for Christmas. I like to play cowboy and with airplanes. I also like to play like robbers too. I have a pup and a big dog.  
Your friend,  
Michael

Dear Santa:  
I want a doll and a bicycle, and I want a little sewing machine for Christmas. Don't forget the other children.  
Your friend,  
Jessie Foster

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a doll and a dollhouse and a suitcase to put my doll clothes in. Remember to bring something for all the other boys and girls.  
Thank you.  
Your friend,  
Linda Cowan

Dear Santa:  
I want a 24-inch bike, a B-B gun and bring mother a dress. I want a fire truck and firemen too. Remember the other boys and girls.  
Thank you.  
Your friend,  
Albert Kincheloe

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like to have a B-B gun for Christmas. Please bring me a rifle too.  
Your friend,  
Boyd Dillard

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a nurse kit and a doll.  
Your friend,  
Laverne Dillard

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a play rifle, electric baseball set and a catchers mask.  
Your friend,  
Jim Alexander

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Lancaster and family of Odessa are spending Christmas with her mother, Mrs. L. L. Ritchie and also her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy White and sons of Monument, New Mexico, spent Christmas Day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Barr and family and Mr. and Mrs. M. P. White and family.



**ALBERT LOVELL**  
SINCLAIR SERVICE STATION



## Aglow with Christmas Cheer

... Our fondest wish to our friends for all the radiant joy of a happy holiday.

**TOM LEWIS, Texas Co. Consignee**



May the words of the Christmas Story unfold their tidings of Yuletide joy.

**Pruet-Burns Flower Shop**  
NAOMI PRUET AND BETSY BURNS



Poinsettias bright will help us say...

Best wishes for your holiday!

**Sipes Insurance Agency**  
W. J. "Son" SIPES, Owner and Manager



## A Blessed Yuletide

As the holy season arrives to unfold again its beautiful message, we extend to you our sincere greetings.

**RISING STAR HOSPITAL**

## ABOUT YOUR HEALTH



A weekly public service feature from the Texas State Department of Health.  
HENRY A. HOLLE, M.D., Commissioner

Three of the greatest public health programs in history are generally acknowledged to be immunization against infectious diseases, chlorination of water and pasteurization of milk. Now, after years of investigation, a fourth has been added — fluoridation of water to reduce tooth decay.

# Howell's Grocery

GREETINGS FOR CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR

Wishing you and yours the best of everything for Christmas and the New Year . . . and thanks for everything.

We will be trying our best to serve you in 1958.

We have everything for your food shopping needs.

## Happy and Boots

We will be closed Wednesday and Thursday, December 25 and 26.



We wish you, with this little rhyme,  
A gay and carefree  
Christmas time!

Rose Butane Company  
MR. AND MRS. VERNER ROSE

dentistry." "What was the hope of a generation ago is now a fact of preventive dentistry," says the American Dental Association. "Today, the overwhelming accumulation of evidence on the effectiveness and safety of fluoridation is a matter of record."

Almost 1,500 United States communities, with a combined population of well over 25,000,000, are now drinking artificially fluoridated water. Millions of others are drinking water in which fluorides are naturally present.

So thoroughly has the effect of fluorides on tooth decay been investigated that the American Medical Association has recently given its unequivocal endorsement to the program, thereby joining practically every other reputable health and medical organization in the United States.

The nation's second and third largest cities—Chicago and Philadelphia — are among the cities which have fluoridation programs in operation. Other major cities now giving their children the benefit of the progressive measure are Cleveland, Baltimore, Washington, St. Louis, San Francisco, Milwaukee and Pittsburgh.

In addition to the ability to reduce dental caries by as much as 60 per cent among children—and most authorities are convinced the benefit extends throughout life—fluoridation of community water supplies is shaping up as one of the best public health bargains of all time.

For less than 15 cents per person per year, the ravages of tooth decay can safely and conveniently be cut by two-thirds. The cost of a single filling would pay for the fluorides for one person for many years.

From an engineering standpoint, according to a water works association, the mechanism for adding fluorides to water supplies is no more involved than adding chlorine. Furthermore, fluorine is not a medicine any more than chlorine. It is not a cure-all. It cannot entirely eliminate tooth decay. It can do nothing about teeth that are already decayed.

In fluoridation we have the weapon against tooth decay that men of all ages have sought. Not a single valid argument can be raised against it. To deny it to children is to deny them the best that preventive dentistry has to offer.

## Brownie Troop 5 Holds Christmas Party, Dec. 18

Brownie Scout Troop 5 held their Christmas party, Wednesday, Dec. 18.

Each girl presented her mother with a Christmas candle that they had made during the last few troop meetings. The Brownie members exchanged gifts.

Refreshments were served by the committee mothers to Vanda Anderson, Terry Baum, Laneal Dillard, Patricia Driscoll, Peggy Erwin, Cathy Gregg, Garnet McGowen, Betty Purvis, Delores Stewart, Carolyn Tunnell, Marsha Petty, Charlotte McGowen and Mmes. Anderson, Baum, McGowen, Petty, McGowen, Tunnell and Garrett.

Three new Brownies have recently completed requirements and were admitted to the troop. The investiture ceremony was conducted by troop leader, Mrs. Jack Tunnell for Delores Stewart, Patricia Driscoll and Peggy Erwin.

## Large Group of Aliens Expected to Report

District Director, Harlon B. Carter, of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, estimated this week that 152,000 aliens will report their address in the District during January under the Federal Alien Address Report Program.

The Immigration official said that 14,462 aliens reported their addresses during January 1957.

Mr. Carter said that all non-citizens, except those in diplomatic status, foreign representatives of certain international organizations and those admitted temporarily as agricultural laborers, are required to file the address report.

He added that any alien who willfully violates the address report requirement may be fined up to \$200, imprisoned for 30 days, and deported.

In addition, aliens who are not in the United States during January must report their address to the Service within 10 days after their return.

The District Director, Harlon B. Carter, said that address report cards will be available at the Immigration Service office at Post Office Building, 615 East Houston Street, San Antonio, Texas, and local United States post offices beginning January 1, 1958.

## Patrolmen to Work During the Holidays

"The Abilene District Highway Patrolmen will have a Merry Christmas working," said Captain G. L. Morahan today. "All holiday leaves have been canceled and our patrolmen will be on 10 hour shifts throughout the holidays."

"Radar will be in operation throughout the entire holiday season. If the holiday travelers would obey our speed regulations as well as Abilene and area football fans have this fall, our problem will be a lot lighter," said Captain Morahan.

We expect a major exodus of holiday traveler's beginning on the 20th and continuing until Christmas Eve, then tapering off, and beginning again on the 28th and continuing through Jan 1st.

Speed violations will be our major factor sprinkled with improper passing and D.W.I. and of course we are standing ready for Traffic Accident calls constantly. Captain Morahan said, "If you are planning a trip, start early, stay alert, slow down in bad weather, don't drink and drive. Darkness doubles trouble, slow down at sundown. Dim your lights even though the other doesn't dim his. Always yield the right of way. Don't take it. Come to a complete stop at stop signs. Stay on your side of the road, and follow at a safe distance, one car length for each 10 miles per hour."

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HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!



In passing, we would like to say: Have a sparkling holiday!

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JOHNNIE FORE, Owner-Operator

Our prices are the lowest...

**USED CARS**

- 1954 Chevrolet 1/2-Ton Pickup
- 1956 210 Tudor Chevrolet V-8 A.C.
- 1955 Chevrolet 1/2-Ton Pickup
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- 1950 Chevrolet, 4-door
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Cross Plains



Season's Best

May a wealth of good cheer find its way to your house this Christmas.

**Frozen Food Locker**

LINDSEY TYSON and T. T. NICHOLS



Glad tidings to one and all during the blessed Yuletide season.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hall

FEEDS — GROCERIES — ICE

With the coming of the Christmas season, we extend to our friends the sincere wish that their holiday will be enriched with many blessings.



**HORNSBY ELECTRIC COMPANY**

ALTON HORNSBY, Owner-Manager

**Applications for State Police To Be Accepted Until Mid-January**

Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, announced this week that applications will be accepted until mid-January from young men interested in becoming state policemen.

Approximately 150 men between 21 and 35 years of age will be selected for training as patrolmen in examinations to be given Jan. 13, 14 and 15 in various cities throughout Texas. Those qualifying will begin their training April 1.

Garrison said the deadline for filing application is Jan. 10 and that classroom instructions will extend for more than 20 weeks, followed by on-the-job training in the field. All student patrolmen receive \$300 per month during the first phase of the training period; their salaries are automatically increased during field training.

Young men interested in the positions must have been a resident of Texas one year prior to making application, have a high

school education, be between 68 and 78 inches in height and weigh not less than two pounds or more than three pounds per inch of height. They also must be in good physical condition and of good moral character.

The patrolman positions to be filled are in four functions of the Texas DPS—Highway Patrol, License and Weight, Driver License and Motor Vehicle Inspection. Under the new organization plan recently installed by the department, all patrolmen will receive the same basic training to allow them greater promotional opportunities.

The state police director, who refused to take personal credit in accepting honors for employees of the Texas DPS during ceremonies held recently in Austin, said new patrolmen not only are trained well to prepare them to handle their jobs, but they receive many advantages in their positions.

"They use the best in equipment, have varied duties, paid vacations and retirement and work in a position of responsibility," Garrison said the list of cities where examinations will be given

will be announced at a later date. Complete information may be obtained by writing to the Texas Department of Public Safety in Austin.

Band director Roy Flournoy and wife are spending the holidays with relatives at Olton and Breckenridge.

Truth has only to change hands a few times to become fiction.

Read the Want Ads

Lots of people have great aims in life, but never pull the trigger.

The driver who speeds along at 85 is literally killing time.

Many people could retire comfortably on what their experience has cost them.

Texas' rainfall was below normal during the seven of the eight years from 1947 to 1954.

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Geographic center of Texas is near Brady in McCulloch County.

Population center of Texas is near Waco in McLennan County.

Land area of Texas is 263,518 square miles.

An estimated 750,000 Texans served in World War II.

Highest point in Texas is Guadalupe Peak, 8,651 feet.

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Merry Christmas!



Best wishes for a bright holiday.

**Holdridge Variety Store**  
MR. AND MRS. C. C. HOLDRIDGE



**OUR GREETING...**

The spirit of the Christmas season is tied in with our good wishes!

**Bunnell Jewelry**  
CLYDE BUNNELL, Owner-Manager

**PAY TAXES NOW**

Payments made before February 1, will not be subject to additional fees for interest and penalties, and to accommodate property owners this office has mailed statement of 1957 taxes.

**POLL TAXES**

Don't forget that if you wish to vote during 1958, your Poll Tax must be paid before Feb. 1, 1958. You will not want to be disfranchised for the need of a Poll Tax receipt, so attend to this detail at once! Poll Taxes may be paid at the Citizens State Bank in Cross Plains, as well as at the office of . . .

**TEE BAULCH**

Tax Assessor-Collector for Callahan County  
BAIRD, TEXAS

**Greetings**

Boys of the Yuletide season to each and every one.



**L. C. CASH**

COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT  
Baird, Texas



**MARINELLO BEAUTY SHOP**  
MYRTLE DAVIS, Owner-Operator

**NOEL**



May the many joys of Christmas be yours.

**Callahan County Hospital**  
BAIRD, TEXAS



The candles of Christmas beam our message to you of good cheer in the glowing Yuletide season!

**PIONEER & PLAINS THEATRES**  
MR. AND MRS. R. L. "Bob" VAUGHT

**Season's Greetings**

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**Shobal Houston Auto Supply**

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May your celebration be wreathed in the happiness of the Yuletide season.

**McNeel Supply Co.**

C. F. "Pat" McNEEL, Sr. C. F. "Pat" McNEEL, Jr.



**Krell Insurance Agency**

EDNA KRELL, Owner and Manager

**Houston Man to Head '58 Texas Heart Fund**

Douglas B. Marshall, Houston oilman and civic leader, will be chairman of the 1958 Texas Heart Fund. It has been announced by Harold S. Foster, Fort Worth banker and Texas Heart Association chairman. The annual month-long effort by volunteer workers in all areas of Texas to raise funds with which to combat the nation's leading cause of death—heart diseases—will be conducted again during February, Mr. Foster said. Mr. Marshall, now president of the Houston Fat Stock Show, long has been associated with the Texas Heart Association as a layman-worker and has served as chairman of the board of trustees of the Texas Heart Foundation since its establishment several years ago. "Support of the people of Texas is vital to the continuance of the Texas Heart Association's work in research, public and professional education, and aid in community heart programs," Mr. Marshall declared in accepting the 1958 Heart Fund chairmanship. "I am confident that the Heart Association's thousands of friends in all parts of Texas will support the 1958 Heart Fund even stronger than they have in the past."

Pointing out that "54 per cent of all deaths in the United States during 1956 were caused by heart diseases," Mr. Marshall emphasized that 29 per cent of the total number of victims "were less than 65 years old" and that "some 500,000 school age children in the nation now suffer from some form of heart or circulatory system disease." Most of the funds contributed annually to the Texas Heart Fund "remain in the local community and in Texas to aid local heart association chapters and the Texas Heart Association for the same purposes," Mr. Marshall said. A native of Wisconsin and a graduate of the University of Minnesota, Mr. Marshall was in military service from 1941 through 1945, including service in North Africa, Italy and the Middle East. Mr. Marshall is vice president of Quitana Petroleum Corporation in Houston and is a director of the Bank of the Southwest and of South Coast Life Insurance Company. In addition to heading the Houston Fat Stock Show, Mr. Marshall is a noted breeder of Angus cattle and of Arabian horses. Besides his business activities, the new Texas Heart Fund chairman is a director of Texas Children's Hospital, Jefferson Davis Hospital, Arabian Temple Crippled Children's Hospital and of the Houston Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Mrs. Oscar Koenig and Ann, Mrs. James Oscar Koenig, Kay McCarty and Jo Holland were Brownwood visitors Saturday morning.

**Althean Sunday School Class Entertained With Annual Christmas Party**

Mrs. Mina Conlee was hostess to the Althean Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church for their annual Christmas party at her home. Mrs. Ed Cornelius, Mrs. A. D. Petty and Mrs. L. L. Howser were co-hostesses.

Mrs. Jeff Clark, class vice-president, presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. Henry McCoy, who is ill.

Mrs. Conlee read the devotional from Luke, second chapter. Mrs. Petty led in prayer, after which 14 members of the class and one visitor, Mrs. L. L. Ritchie, joined hands and sang, "Blessed Be the Tie." Mrs. Howser gave the reading, "The Unexpected Guest."

Gifts were exchanged and the hostesses served a refreshment plate of chicken salad, hot rolls, green and red congealed salad, fruit cake and spiced tea.

After an hour of good, wholesome fellowship, good nights were said, each wishing the other a merry Christmas and a happy new year.

**Sportsman Club Officers And Directors Hold Called Meeting**

Officers and directors of the Brown County Sportsman Club held a called meeting Monday night of this week in the office at Weakley-Watson Hardware Co. at Brownwood.

John Wood, former Brown County game warden, spoke to the group on membership drive and other interesting subjects.

During the meeting, club projects were discussed and it was decided to improve the park site given by the Brown County Water Board consisting of 14 acres. The site is located at the Flat Rock Crossing on Lake Brownwood and cement ramps will be built by the club to enable fishermen to launch and load boats, and tables will be placed in the picnic area.

Attending the meeting were president John Fedora, Brownwood; vice president Roy Cox, Cross Plains; secretary-treasurer, V. H. (Pop) Nordurt, Brownwood, and the following directors: Pat Shelton, Bob Davenport, Oral Evans, and N. E. Tristle, all of Brownwood; Harold Penny, game warden, and Clyde Sims, Cross Plains.

Anyone desiring membership in the club is asked to contact a member of the board or a club member. The next meeting of the organization will be held in Brownwood January 20.

**Woman Safety Official Urges Good Will on Road**

AUSTIN—"Peace on earth and good will on the road."

That is the way Mrs. Fred Strauss, Seguin (Tex.), vice president for Women's Activities of the Texas Safety Association, summed up the holiday traffic hazards program being conducted by TSA as a prelude to an all out traffic safety drive in 1958.

"Everyone has a moral responsibility to his neighbor to drive safely," she said. "A little consideration and common sense can go a long way in preventing traffic accidents."

Mrs. Strauss pointed out that though we celebrate the most joyous observance of the year in December, this is also the month when traffic deaths reach their peak. The conviviality of the season causes people to relax their guard and thus contribute greatly to the traffic death toll.

"That is why we ask the public to cooperate with the Texas Safety Association in enlarging the Back the Attack on Traffic Accidents campaign in Texas. The attack has been stepped up during December to arouse more people to fight holiday hazards and cut down the holiday traffic death toll," Mrs. Strauss said.

"During this season every driver and pedestrian should dedicate his efforts toward making the season end the year following a safe one. Our goal must be the conversion of the potential dangers inherent in the holiday season into sound, sensible safety behavior," she added. "And, remember, it's more blessed to give, than to take chances."

Mrs. Strauss also urged that each person re-examine his responsibility toward the entire problem of traffic safety, because individual acceptance of the rules of safety is a vital part of the accident prevention program.

Records of the Texas Safety Association reveal that fourteen per cent of all rural, fatal traffic accidents occur between six and eight p.m. So, for safety's sake, slow down at sundown.

Farm and ranch safety, according to the Texas Safety Association, is the difference between weeping and reaping. Cultivate Safety and you can harvest profits and happiness.

Miss Mary Helen Strong left Sunday for Stonwall, Okla., where she will visit during the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Houston Strong.

Mrs. Billie Ann Gee and baby of Midland are spending the holidays here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kilgore and Sandra.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gary have as holiday visitors, their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lynnwood Gary of Texas A. & M. College, Bryan, and their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Orable of Stanton.

Mrs. Hettie Lucy had as visitors during the week end her children, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Lucy and family of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lucy and baby of Lampasas, and Mr. and Mrs. Linden Newton and family of Vandersbit and also her granddaughter and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Carl King and family.



As Christmas arrives upon the scene... may it come laden with happiness for everyone!

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"Let Earth Receive Her King"



May the inspiration of Christmas open the way to a new era of peace and understanding among men.

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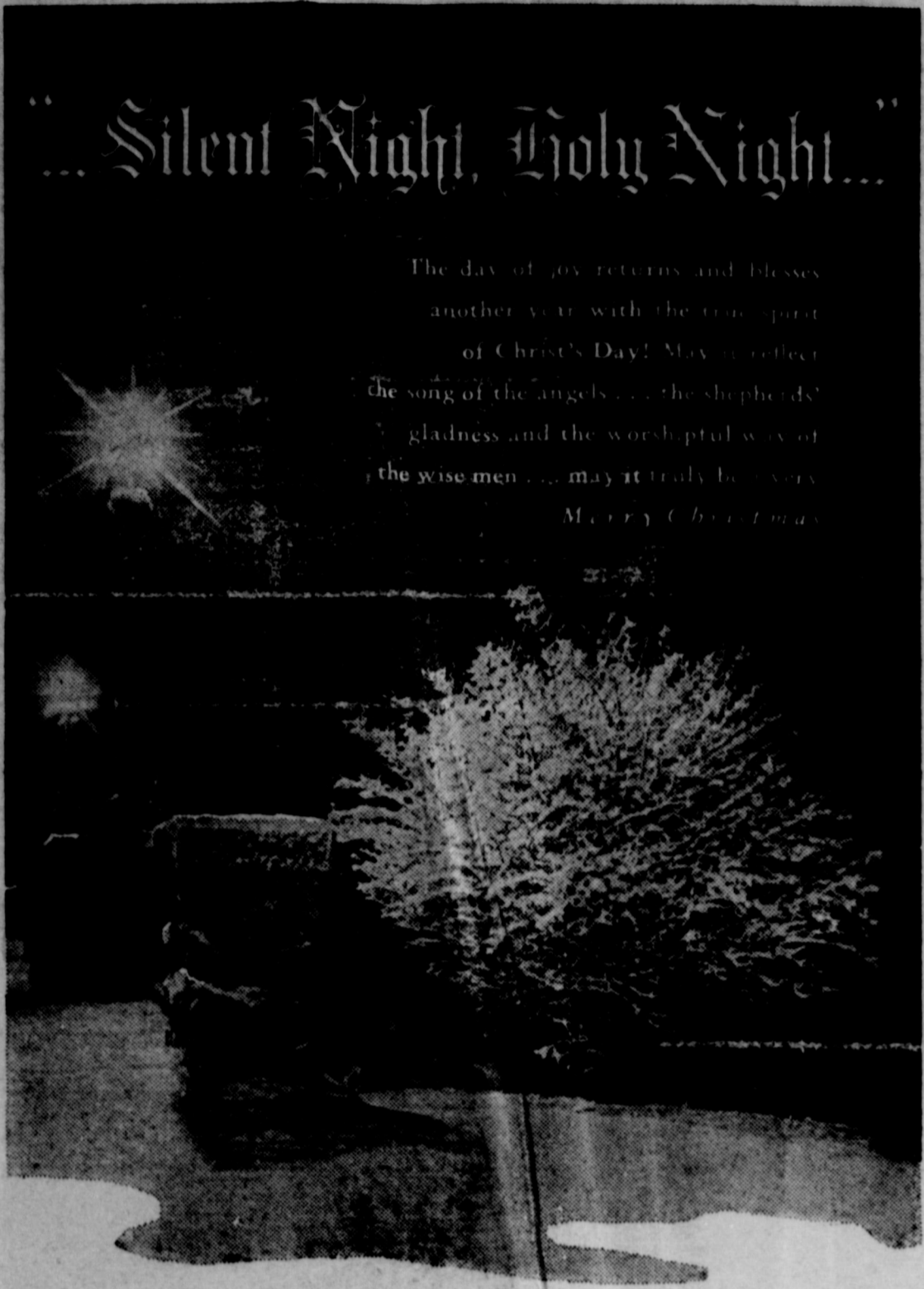
Best Wishes for a Gay, Old-Fashioned Christmas!



We wish for you all the happy hustle and bustle of a traditional Yuletide!

**DILLARD DRILLING COMPANY**

NEAL DILLARD, Owner and Operator



# Silent Night, Holy Night

The day of joy returns and blesses another year with the true spirit of Christ's Day! May we reflect the song of the angels, the shepherds' gladness and the worshipful way of the wise men... may it truly be...  
Merry Christmas

## Cross Plains Tractor Service

DONALD BAIRD, Manager



Wherever you are, be it in your home or the church of your choice, may your day be filled with the gladness of the Yuletide spirit.

## Dave Lee's Gulf Service Station

Dec. 18, 1957

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am eight years old and I would like a football, a B-B gun, a fishing tackle box for Christmas.  
Larry Franke

Dear Santa:  
I want to tell what I want for Christmas. I want a toodles doll and that's all. I hope that every girl and boy gets a Christmas present. I hope that you Santa, have a Happy New Year.  
Your friend,  
Terry Baum

Dear Santa:  
For Christmas I would like to have a high heel doll this year and I also want a dictionary too.  
Your friend,  
Vanda

Dear Santa:  
I want a toy stove and a set of dishes for Christmas and also a doll and a doll suitcase.  
Judy Albrecht

Dear Santa:  
I want a bicycle and a football for Christmas.  
Your friend,  
Larry Smith

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a basketball, a doll, a doll house, a bicycle and a truck. Bring mother a set of dishes, a new pair of shoes and a dress and bring Daddy a new pair of shoes and some new shirts and a pair of socks for Christmas. Thank you.  
Your friend,  
Linda Hollis

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a drum and a Cinderella wrist watch. Also please bring a cardboard cabinet. Thank you.  
Judy Lutzenberger

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a bride doll, ice box, stove and guns, cowgirl suit and I want a piano, little playhouse and doctor set, typer and paint set and a little dancing shoe and a dancing dress. I want a little lamp and a little car and little couch and a little TV, and I want for my daddy a gun and mother new dishes.  
Love,  
Jean Falkner

Dec. 16, 1957

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy six years old, trying to be good. I want a 14-wheel trailer truck, a carpenter set, new boots, gloves and some candy and fruit.  
I'll have my sock hanging up for you.

Love,  
Randy Foster  
Cross Plains, Tex.

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy two years old. I have tried to be a good little boy. Please bring me a boy doll, a doctor set and some trucks. Thank you.  
I love you,  
Cave Baum

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a gun and holster for Christmas.  
Love,  
Jerry

Dear Santa Claus:  
For Christmas I want a right-handed holster and a gun.  
Your friend,  
Mike Sadler

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a road grader. I want a guitar and a football too.  
Your friend,  
Marc Gilmore

Dec. 16, 1957

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy five years old. For Christmas, I want you to bring me a tricycle and a tractor set. Please fill my stocking with candy and nuts.

Love,  
Jimmy Neil Harris  
Cross Plains, Tex.

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl four years old. I have tried to be a good girl. Please bring me a doll, building blocks and a black board with chalk. Thank you.

I love you,  
Reba Baum  
P.S. Please bring me a doctor set, too.

Dec. 14, 1957

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy four years old and have tried to be a good boy. I would like for you to bring me a little bicycle and a bowling set. Be sure and leave all the other little boys and girls something nice too.

Love,  
David Paneske  
P.S. Please leave some candy and nuts in my stocking.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl two years old. I would like a boy doll and a tricycle for Christmas. Freddy wants a B-B gun. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Love,  
Susan Ann McNeel

Dear Santa:  
I would like to have a B-B gun, a Fort Apache set, a bow and arrow, a pair of Roy Rogers guns. Santa, remember Susan, my little sister, and all the other children. Bring them good things too. Thank you.

Your friend,  
Fred McNeel

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a pair of Roy Rogers guns, an electric train for Christmas. I would like to have a Davy Crockett suit, too. I want a basketball and a football. Please bring Mother a new refrigerator for Christmas. Thank you.

Your friend,  
Bobby Johnston  
Texas has averaged 14 tornadoes a year since 1916.



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May we all be blessed by the true happiness of an abiding faith in the spirit of Christmas.

## Bishop Chevrolet Company

LEE AND DALE BISHOP, Owners



# A SLEIGHTFUL OF WISHES

Each box holds a wish for all the things you hold dear:

one is for laughter, another for good fortune, the third holds good health and cheer. They're speeding your way on Christmas Day... May they linger forever with you!

## Koenig Grocery & Station

OSCAR AND PEGGY KOENIG



## Blessings of the Season

Best wishes to all for Yuletide happiness.

## Meador Grocery & Station

MR. AND MRS. J. H. MEADOR

### Motorists Urged to Help Reduce Highway Deaths

AUSTIN—J. O. Musick, General Manager of the Texas Safety Association called on Texans across the state, today, to stand firmly behind both state and local officials in their efforts to reduce the highway death toll.

"If you are shocked by the slaughter on the highways, you have only yourself to blame," Musick said. "For it lies within your power to do something about it. Highway safety, like every other aspect of government, will be just as effective as the people want it to be—it all depends on the public."

"During the past year, public officials have given strong support to the Back the Attack on Traffic Accidents program sponsored by TSA and the National Safety Council, Musick said. "And, we believe, that when the final figures are in, the Attack program will have had a measurable effect on the accident toll."

The safety expert listed three important ways in which the individual citizen can help reduce accidents—they are:

1. Demand stricter enforcement

of traffic laws and stand behind the efforts of officials who enforce them. Remember, where traffic laws are obeyed—deaths go down!

2. Support your local safety organization. Rally behind those agencies who are working faithfully to reduce accidents.

3. Check up on your own safety habits. Everyone tends to become lax from time to time and it is during these moments that normally safety-minded persons are injured.

Mrs. D. P. Jones of Corpus Christi is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Doss Alexander.

Mrs. V. L. Hobdy returned home Wednesday morning of last week from San Angelo, where she had been since Monday night with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Cummings. Mr. Cummings fell 25 feet from a platform while on the job with a construction company, Monday afternoon and fractured both arms. He is in a San Angelo hospital, but it is reported to be recovering satisfactorily.

It's an I for an I when two egotists get together.

### Farm Numbers in Texas And U. S. Are Decreasing

College Station—U. S. farms are decreasing in number and increasing in size. Farms in Texas are no exception to the general rule. There are now approximately 304,000 farms in Texas, compared to 506,000 in 1931, the year in which farms in this State reached their peak in numbers.

This comparison is based on revised census figures up to 1956, as reported by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. In 1910, Texas farms numbered 418,000, according to the USDA report which gives numbers of farms by states for each year since then.

While numbers of farms have been decreasing, investment per farm has gone up—averaging \$27,000 this year, according to other Department of Agriculture research.

Nationally, the total acreage of cropland harvested in 1957 is about the same as in 1940. But the size of farms has risen about 40 per cent since that time and output per farm is up 74 per cent. Farm output per manhour has more than doubled, and the average farm worker now produces enough food and fiber for himself and 20 others.

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TOO LATE TO CLASSEY—

FOR RENT: Large 5-room house in the country, in good condition. See Donald Baird.

He who is perjured is down on something he's not

As a man grows older and life he talks less and says more



## Joyous Noel

In every way — we wish for you  
a very happy holiday season!

## Humble Service Station

SAM BALKUM, Agent

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

THERE ARE NO OTHER TWO WORDS that can start the heart strings singing more quickly or more gladly. They best express human emotion. We cannot improve on them for they form the perfect thought.

ANOTHER YEAR IS DRAWING TO A CLOSE and it has been a better year because of the friendship and good will you have shown in our Drug Store.

OPERATING A PRESCRIPTION PHARMACY is not like running the average business. We deal principally in good health. Of course, we supply some of the aids to better living that you traditionally like to get from a drug store, but primarily we devote our efforts to the compounding of prescriptions and providing you with medicines and health aids.

WE ARE GRATEFUL that you have given us the opportunity to serve you. Your friendship and patronage enable us to successfully carry on our work on the health team.

AND SO, AS ANOTHER YEAR draws to a close, we want to thank you for your part in making it a pleasant one and to sincerely wish you and yours — A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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## IT'S CHRISTMAS TIME!

Let the resounding joy of the holiday  
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## Western Auto Store

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Cheers!

a fun-filled Christmas to one and all!

CHRISTMAS CLOSING DATES

We will be closed Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 23 through 25, for Christmas. We will open for business at the usual time Thursday, Dec. 26.

## DAIRY BAR

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