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CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS 76443 WEDNESDAY, DEC. 24, 1975

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SIXTY-SEVENTH YEAR

November Gifts For Cemetery Total \$110

Persons with loved ones buried here are asked to help with upkeep costs of the burial grounds. Donations may be sent to Cross Plains Cemetery Association in care of Citizens State Bank, Cross Plains, Texas 76443. Acknowledgements of all gifts received by the organization will be made through columns of the Review each month.

Officers of the cemetery association have noted that donations made to the organization are tax deductible.

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Callahan County Leads Bond Sales

Callahan County is leading area bond sales of series E and States Savings Bonds. The county had reached 69 percent of its goal of \$400,000 for the month of October. Total sales of \$274,254 during the month period of 1975. The second is Callahan County with \$130,000 goal. Howard E. Farmer, bond chairman, reported sales of \$5,128 for a total of \$135,128. That was 62 percent of the \$216,178. The county's goal is set at \$300,000.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT

Gifts in 2 Gifts
The Cross Plains Fire Department have received receiving two gifts \$125.
Donations came from Area Insurance \$75 and State Bank of Cross Plains \$50.
Local fire unit recently called to a call from Ted who lives between here and Cross Plains, who was insured by Farm Bureau.

Another 'Wet' Vote Faces City Of Baird

Voters in the City of Baird may soon again have the opportunity of voting in an alcoholic beverage election.

Six petitions, each containing spaces for 40 signatures and calling for the sale of beer and wine for the City of Baird, were picked up from Callahan County Clerk's office Friday afternoon.

Beatrice Deal, county clerk said the off-premise consumption petition bearing 17 signatures was filed in her office Thursday afternoon.

Signatures on that application included Ray Strickland, Carl Strickland, Alice Silba, K. V. Lewis, Mrs. K. V. Lewis, Lula Lunsford, C. H. Lunsford, W. A. Robbins, K. D. Poe and Wilma Carlile.

Also, George Hopkins Jr., J. Howard Jones, Naomi Jones, W. F. Hatley, Guy Curtis, W. V. Stevenson and Wilburn Young.

Baird citizens rejected a proposal calling for the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off premises consumption on December 2 by a count of 340 to 267. It was noted that because an election on the same issue was already held this year, a fee is required to pay for costs of election procedures. Mrs. Deal said that \$225.25 was turned in Thursday for those expenses.

An election will be called if 93 names of qualified voters in Baird are obtained. The petitions must be returned to Mrs. Deal's office by Jan. 19 in order to certify the signatures.

HIGH SCHOOL CAGERS SET GAMES DURING HOLIDAYS

Although officially on holiday, varsity basketball teams will play two matches during the two-week Christmas-New Year break.

Tuesday night, Dec. 30, Cisco teams will invade Buffalo Gymnasium with tipoff time set for 5 p.m. in the non-conference melee.

Local squads will resume District 10-A action on Friday, Jan. 2, traveling to De Leon. Starting time is slated for 5:30 p.m.

Cross Plains Sector Set For Festive Yule Holiday

Cross Plains residents are expecting another festive Christmas this year.

Last week end many new faces were already seen on local streets, indicating that the usual

influx of friends and relatives during the Yuletide season had already begun. Many local persons are also expected to spend the holiday at homes of family or friends.

Most local business people will have just the one day off, but some Cross Plains firms will be shut for longer periods. Most retail stores here will be closed for just the one day, Thursday.

A sampling of businesses people here Monday revealed the following.

All major grocery stores will be closed on Christmas Day, but two convenience stores, Bi-Rite Superette will be open from 9 a.m. to noon, and Vaughn's Grocery will be open a part of the day. Lakeway will be closed.

Buffaloes Take Second In Rising Star Meet

Cross Plains Buffaloes claimed the runner-up spot in the Rising Star basketball tournament last week end.

The Herd captured two straight victories, defeating Rising Star 46-34 and Sidney 56-37, before bowing to Early in the championship contest 50-36.

Buffettes bowed out of the three-day tourney Saturday morning dropping a 44-38 decision to Early. Cross Plains girls defeated Bangs 55-44 in Thursday's opening round of the meet. Edith Ingram bucketed 24 points to lead the local attack which actually was fiercest in the second quarter, out-scoring Bangs 24-10 for a halftime lead of 34-18.

On Thursday Cross Plains boys trimmed host Rising Star 46-34, leading all the way, 28-15 at halftime. Greg Turner, who was named to the all-tournament team, paced Bison scoring with 20 points, and Monty Richards canned 15.

Friday night the Herd defeated Sidney 56-37 to gain the finals berth. Trailing 13-8 after first eight minutes, Coach Chuck Eoff changed his defense and some personnel, and the Buffs out-gunned Sidney 13-2 in the second canto. Leading 21-15, Buffaloes put the game away with a 10-point edge, 22-12, in the third stanza.

Richards bucketed 14 points for the Herd, and Turner and John Schaefer added 10 markers each.

Early defeated the Herd at the free throw line in Saturday night's finals, canning 22 to just 4 for Cross Plains. Buffaloes trailed 13-8 after first quarter but rallied to just a one-point deficit 21-20, at intermission. Foul trouble and a cold third

quarter, when the Horns scored 21 points to 6 for the Herd, aided the Early win over the young local unit. Cross Plains got 16 field goals to 14 for Early.

Dennis Franke topped Buff scoring with 10 points. Joe Simpson chipped in with 8, and Turner, Richards and Tony Wyatt each added 6. Hardcastle led the Horns with 16 markers.

Buffaloes now stand a 6-7 on the season and 0-1 in District 10-A competition.

E. G. ROBY REPORTED IMPROVING AT ABILENE

E. G. Roby of Spur, father of Mrs. Cliff Kirkham of Cross Plains, is reported improving in an Abilene hospital. The former local resident, is expected to be released from the hospital Wednesday. He has been hospitalized for several weeks, and underwent surgery about two weeks ago.

DE LEON ANNEXES STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

The De Leon Bearcats won the Class A football state championship last Friday at Temple. The District 10-A Kings defeated Schulenburg 26-15 for the state's top grid diadem.

The Bearcats posted 15 consecutive victories in the 1975 season to claim the state crown.

Dr. and Mrs. Weldon Newton and children, Angela and Jon, of Stephenville are here for the Christmas holidays visiting her mother, Mrs. Maurine McCuin, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Newton at Cross Cut.

Clasp envelopes at Review.

Cross Plains Post Office and Citizens State Bank will be closed Christmas Day only. Mail will be put in boxes in the office, but there will be no rural delivery nor window service.

City of Cross Plains office will close at noon Wednesday and remain shut Thursday and Friday. West Texas Utilities Co. office will also be closed Thursday and Friday. Cross Plains Review will close Wednesday and Thursday.

Cross Plains Grain and Peanut Co. employees will be an extended holiday, Thursday through Saturday.

Lawrence Farm & Ranch Supply will close at noon Wednesday and stay shut through Christmas Day.

Service stations and discount gasoline outlets here will observe varying hours Christmas Day. To be closed all day are Grider Gulf Stations, Dillard Texaco and Wayne's Shamrock. Open except from mid-morning to mid-afternoon will be Koenig's Exxon and Fore Mobil. Robertson Exxon Station will be open all day, but the garage will be closed all day.

Eating establishments will also be closed here. All will be closed Christmas Day. Odom's

Callahan Residents Eating Well Despite Inflation

Callahan County residents may not be eating as high on the hog as they did in more prosperous times, but they are eating as plentifully, it appears.

The average family is going in for fewer steaks and other fancy cuts than normally but is not going hungry. It is substituting less expensive items, preparing less elaborate meals and doing less dining out.

In terms of quantity, local people continue to be stowing away edibles in considerable volume. On the basis of their purchases in food stores and their expenditures in restaurants, their weekly consumption figures out to about 29 pounds per capita.

In that respect, the change since 1972, locally and in most parts of the United States, has been small, despite the fact that the cost of food has gone up sharply.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that the average American household of 2.9 persons spent \$40.05 a week for food last year, as against \$30.32 toward the end of 1972. This is exclusive of alcoholic beverages.

The figures on food consumption and on the amount of money used for that purpose come

from the Department of Agriculture, the Labor Department and other sources.

During the past year, they show, the diet of the average American consisted of 188 pounds of meat, including 116 pounds of beef, approximately 65 pounds of fish and poultry, 285 eggs, 123 pounds of potatoes, 247 pounds of milk and cream, 107 pounds of wheat flour, and 52.5 pounds of fats and oils, not to mention fruits, vegetables, cereals and other products.

In Callahan County, the cost of eating on this average scale came to approximately \$2,350 per household last year.

For families living on farms, the outlay was considerably lower than this and, for urban families, somewhat greater. Nationally it averaged \$2,080 per household.

The surge of food prices at the consumer level has forced housewives to be more careful in their shopping. They are watching their pocketbooks more closely, seeking out the specials of the week, passing up the higher-priced convenience foods, cutting down on between-meal snacks and doing more cooking and baking at home.

MRS. S. O. MONTGOMERY SAID CRITICALLY ILL

Mrs. S. O. Montgomery of Cross Plains was reported Monday to be critically ill in a nursing home in Rising Star. She was released from an Abilene hospital last Friday, and she was believed to be improving, at that time. She suffered a stroke recently.

Tommy Hornsby, who is employed in Monte Vista, Colo., arrived here last week end to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alton E. Hornsby.

SOUTH SULA SECTOR GETS 2 REGULAR FIELD TESTS
 Supreme Oil Co. of Abilene has staked two locations for oil tests in the regular field three miles south of Eula. Both are slated for 1,500 feet.
 No. 4 Ida Mae Strickland is located on a 40 acre lease. It spots 160 feet from the south and 1,520 feet from the west lines of Section 29, BBB&C Survey.
 The firm's No. 4 B. B. Hurst is located on an 80 acre lease. It spots 952 feet from the north and 1,977 feet from the west lines of Section 28, BBB&C Survey.

Sabanno Sector News

By Mrs. Edwin Erwin
 Merry, merry Christmas to all our readers.
 Everyone is thinking of Christmas, and it's coming this week. We have checked with several in our community, and this is how things seem to be going.

This coming Friday night, Dec. 26, will be game night at the Community Center, and we'll have a "stew supper". So come along and bring your Christmas company and enjoy stew. Don't you think that's fine after having turkey and all the trimmings the day before?

Eunice Morris and Vetra Connelly visited with Josie and Alma Morris Monday. They, along with their sister, Anice Edwards are making a trip to Washington by plane for a Christmas visit with Anice's daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Rector, Sr. and their daughter, Mrs. Covington, are expecting Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Covington of Houston and Mrs. Karen Gobie and children of Brownwood to spend Christmas with them.

Brenda and Johnny Cox of De Leon are visiting with their grandmother, Mrs. Lillie Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rhodes of Lubbock visited with Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Switzer Saturday.

News of the death of Thurman Wood reached us Saturday morning. He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Everett Wood of Cisco. The Wood family was known by many in our community. We extend our deepest sympathy to the loved ones.

Mr. and Mrs. Goldon Lawson visited with his sisters, Mrs. Nunnie Brooks and Mrs. Charles Cox, in Cisco Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Olaf South of Sweetwater plan to have Christmas dinner with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Erwin. The Nathan Fosters and maybe Mr. and Mrs. Stevie Foster and children also will be with us.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Blankenship plan to have Christmas dinner with her daughter and family. Dr. and Mrs. Turnbull and children in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Goldon Lawson had her brothers, the Phillips brothers, visit them recently. She hadn't seen one of them for several years.

Thanks to an old Sabanno friend, Mrs. Lee Cumba of Brownwood, for letting me hear how she enjoys our paper. We miss her family in our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Brandon are expecting his daughter, Mrs. W. N. (Dolores) Norred of Big Spring and some of his brothers and their families to spend Christmas Day with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Marinelli of San Antonio visited with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Wordis Erwin. Wordis is recovering from major surgery. The Marinellis also visited with friends. It was good to see them. They moved from their farm at Atwell to San Antonio almost a year ago. They like the country life the best.

J. D. Otts was home for a short time this week end. He reported his wife is still in a Fort Worth hospital, and is not doing so well. We do hope she will soon be improved and back home.
 Mr. and Mrs. Harold Friend

and children of Goldsmith returned home recently after a visit with her father, W. B. Boen, and Mrs. Boen. The Boenes live on the home place of the late J. W. Gage family.

Mr. and Mrs. Truett Dawkins are expecting Mr. and Mrs. Nick Anderson and children of Sonora to visit them.

Mrs. O. B. Switzer and daughters-in-law, Martha and Sylvia, were visitors in Abilene and Brownwood recently.

EAST CROSS CUT SECTOR GAINS WILDCAT OIL TRY

Omega Resources Inc. of Brownwood will drill No. 1 H. T. Woods as a proposed 3,500-foot wildcat seven miles east of Cross Cut in Brown County.

Location is on a 150 acre lease, spotting 565 feet from the north and 570 feet from the east lines of R. Geiger Survey 793.

Through fiscal year 1975, the federal government had spent a total of \$239 billion on benefits programs for veterans of all wars.

Church Of Christ
 12TH & NORTH MAIN — CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS
 Harold K. Ballard, Minister

HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE ... Continued

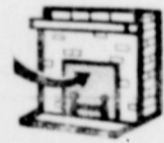
Bible Study by Word, Continued.
 In Rom. 8:26 Paul says, "And in like manner the Spirit also helpeth our infirmity: for we know not how to pray as we ought;..." Regardless of how long we have been Christians, and regardless of how much time we have given to the study of prayer, the fact remains that there is a deficiency in our prayer-life. We know not how to pray as we ought. But, we are assured that the Holy Spirit helps us. The word translated "helpeth" is the Greek word "sunantilambanomai". Inherent in this word are the ideas of "with", "against", and "taking or receiving". All this is compacted into the English word "helpeth". Turn to Lk. 10:40. The Lord was visiting in the home of Mary and Martha. Mary sat at the Lord's feet and heard his word. But Martha was cumbered about much serving. Martha said to the Lord, "...dost thou not care that my sister did leave me to serve alone? bid her therefore that she help me". The word "help" in this passage is the Greek word "sunantilambanomai". What Martha literally says is: "Lord, I have a job to do which is too big for me to handle alone. I am willing to do my part — I will get on one side of the load — but please tell Mary to get on the other side and help me to bear it". Just so, in the Christian's prayer-life. One may have a burden — a load — so great and so heavy that he alone cannot take it to God in prayer. But, he gets on one side of the load and the Holy Spirit gets on the other side of the load, and together they carry the matter to God. The Spirit helpeth our infirmity. This is the significance of "sunantilambanomai". Word study is rich and rewarding.

(To Be Continued Next Week)
 For free correspondence courses or cottage meeting class in your home Call 725-6117.

Tips To help YOU to Conserve and Save Energy on Winter Heating



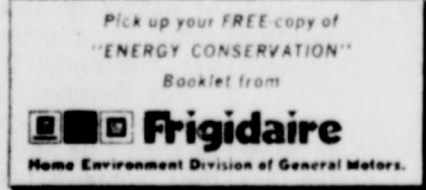
For savings on energy, set the thermostat on the temperature setting that provides adequate comfort. Don't continually switch it up and down. Remember, the lower you set the thermostat in the winter the more money you save on energy.



A wood burning fireplace should be equipped with an efficient damper. Be sure to keep the damper closed when not in use. A chimney with the damper open carries warm air out the house, wasting heat.



To decrease heat loss and reduce energy cost in rooms that are not in use at night or in extremely cold weather, draw the draperies and lower the shades over the windows, glass panels and doors. If the sun is shining on glass areas, open the draperies. The sun shining through the glass will supply additional heat at no cost.



Remember REDDY Supplies the energy — but only YOU can use it wisely!



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May the joy and peace of that first Christmas be with you and yours this season. Our wish is for all hearts to be filled with gladness, contentment and the desire for real brotherhood. Our gratitude to the kind, generous people we serve.

Drop By The Bank And Have Coffee, Cookies And Fellowship With Us . . . ALL DAY WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24

Citizens State Bank
 Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

Goldthwaite Fems Beat Buffettes Friday

Visiting Goldthwaite girls cruised to a third consecutive win in District 10-A play Friday night by besting host Cross Plains Buffettes 55-32.

The loss was the local sextet's third consecutive in conference play.

The visitors grabbed a 15-6 lead in the first quarter, and padded that by six more in the second quarter. The eventual winners put another dozen points on the plus side in the third quarter, and coasted to the 55-32 decision.

Leslie Wyatt paced Buffette scoring with 16 points. Others tallying for the Buffettes were Sandy Bailey 8, Edith Ingram 4 and Dona Long 2. Miss M. Johnson led Goldthwaite with 23 points.

Lee Morris attended church services in Abilene Saturday afternoon.

Alton E. Hornsby and J. R. Wagner were business visitors in Dublin and Glen Rose last Saturday.

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Santa Letters

Dear Santa Claus,
 I would like a chemistry set and a camera for Christmas. Thank you, and Merry Christmas!

Your friend,
 Jason Schoellman

Dear Santa Claus,
 I would like a football, a B-B gun and an Evel Knievel Stunt Cycle set.

Thank you,
 Bud Wilson

Dear Santa,
 I want a B.B. gun and a pair of boxing gloves and a punching bag and what I really want is a microscope.

Your friend,
 Alan Hilburn

Dear Santa Claus,
 Please bring me for Christmas a walkie-talkie, a bike and some new clothes. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Thank you,
 Kenneth Monsey

Dear Saint Nick,
 I would like to have a Rub-A-Dub dolly, a Teeter-Totter watch, a snow cone machine, a 7-Up machine, and please fill my stocking. Well, don't forget the other boys and girls.

I love you.
 Sincerely,
 Kelley Hedrick

Dear Santa,
 I have been good and bad. Here is what I want for Christmas: Baby That-Away, snow cone maker, Operation Game and Chip the Monkey.

Bye, Santa Claus.
 Oh, Merry Christmas. Don't forget the other boys and girls.
 Love,
 Jessa Reddick

Dear Santa,
 I have been good and a tiny bit bad. Would you bring me a popcorn machine, microscope and a tape recorder? Please be good to the other boys and girls.

Love,
 Roy John Reddick

Dear Santa,
 I love you. I like you because you give everybody presents. I would like you even if you didn't give us presents. I wish I could see you every Christmas Eve. I would like to have a ride in your sled. I would like to see Rudolph. I would like to see all the other reindeer. I would like to see all the presents for the kids. I hope everybody gets a good present. I won't ever forget where you live. Merry Christmas.

Your friend,
 Nikki Sweek

Dear Santa Claus,
 I would like a table and chairs for Christmas, and I want doll clothes and a taffy machine and a play store.

Love,
 Yvonne Johnson

Dear Santa Claus,
 Please bring me an Easy Baby doll, a baton and a Barbie doll. Thank you.

Love,
 Tina Kaye Davis

Dear Santa,
 I want a Sunshine Family and an organ and a Tiffany Taylor and a talking clock.

Thank you.
 Love,
 Kelli Hargrove

Dear Santa,
 My name is Ricky Sanders. I want a pellet gun and a set of walkie-talkies, and a Planet of the Apes and a Big Jim and a gold finder for Christmas.

Your friend,
 Ricky Sanders

Dear Santa,
 I like you. I would like a Baby That-Away, a bike and an Easy Bake Oven.

I like you a lot.
 Love,
 Pam Hutchins

To report fire in Cross Plains
 Call 725-6234.



Greetings

We wish you all the joy the season has to give. Peace. Happiness. Contentment. May they be yours to remember warmly for many a Christmas. Our heartfelt gratitude.

M.R. AND MRS. EDDIE PETTY AND EVERYONE AT ...

Cross Plains Discount Center

CHRISTMAS JOY

May the spirit of peace and love permeate your life.
 With deep gratitude for your confidence ...



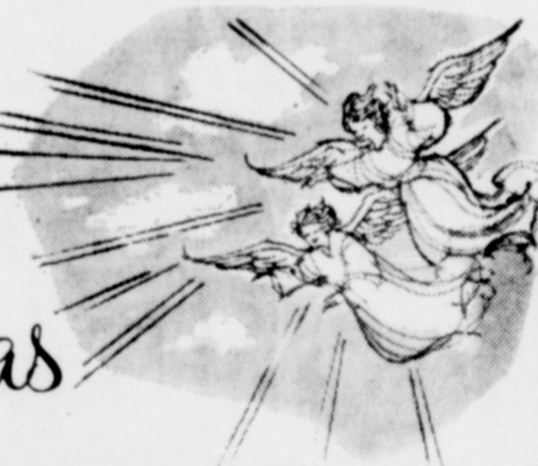
FROM ALL THE BOYS AT ...

Grider Gulf Stations



Taylor County Electric Cooperative, Inc.

A Joyous Christmas



Rejoice in the glorious birth of our Savior. Find inner peace and warmth in the true spirit of Christmas. Our gratitude for your kind patronage.



FROM ALL YOUR FRIENDS AT ...

Callahan Abstract Company

BAIRD, TEXAS

LAKWOOD GOLF SCRAMBLE WINNERS ARE REVEALED

Team of Ed McAnally, Frances McAnally, Jean McAnally and Maryann Brown posted a 67 and won an impromptu golf scramble at Lakewood Recreation Center Sunday afternoon.

Winning a coin toss for second place after two teams were tied at 69 was the unit of Jay Rankin, Gene Rankin and Byron McAnally. Third place went to Oliver Smith, Frankie Smith and Carol Westerman.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Hutchins and daughter of Brady spent last week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. (Tuff) Hutchins.

Review Classified Get Results

Soldier Known At Burkett Promoted

C. Kirkham, son of Mrs. Christine Kirkham of Burkett, was recently promoted to Army Staff Sergeant while serving as senior artillery repairman in Company E, 725th Maintenance Battalion of the 25th Infantry Division at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

Sgt. Kirkham entered the Army in December 1967 and was last stationed at Fort Campbell, Ky.

A 1968 graduate of Hurricane High School in Utah, he attended Lincoln Trail Junior College at Robinson, Ill.

His wife, Sharon, is with him in Hawaii.

Cottonwood News Items

By Mrs. Wayne Brown

A Merry Christmas to each and everyone of you. May your day be filled with countless blessings; your children come home or your travels to visit them, keep safe.

What a surprise to see the Mayes' florist station wagon in the drive way Saturday, and emerge with a beautiful poinsettia for Christmas from my sister and family in Cody, Wyo. "Saying it with flowers" is truly a lovely sentiment. Years ago in California we had planted one on the south side of our house our preacher informed us it would never grow. Well—it reached the roof of the house and now—will it grow in Texas? Let me hear from you Cottonwood folk on this.

Mr. and Mrs. Vic Curry (our own Teri) of Sam Houston State Univ. of Huntsville are here for four days with us in Cottonwood and with Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Powell in Cross Plains. On Sunday, they attended services at Cottonwood Baptist Church. On Monday, they and I went to Abilene on business and visited Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Swinney, and Stephanie, and Mr. and Mrs. James Brown, Judy and Jennifer. Teri and Vic will leave for school on Wednesday, 24th.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill (Nadine) Nickerson returned to her home Saturday from visiting with Mrs. E. L. Nickerson in New Caney. She also had tests and X-rays at a clinic in Houston the past three weeks. She will return to the clinic Jan. 9 for the results, and possibly more tests. Welcome home, Dena. Mr. and Mrs. Randall Franke of Abilene visited her parents, the Bill Nickersons during the week end. Curtis Hines of Lackland AFB in San Antonio is spending his leave here with the Nickerson family and with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Pointer in Cross Plains. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bedford and family of California, visited the Cottonwood Baptist Church on Sunday evening. He is a former pastor and enjoyed visiting many old friends.

Visitors with Mrs. Alice Champion during the week end were Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Champion and Deana of Denver City. Mr. and Mrs. Glen Champion, Glenn Jr., Monty and Calvin and Ted Branum of Grapevine, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Champion, Hayley and Rocky, and Shelly Bennett of Abilene, Champ Champion of Cross Plains, Jake Pruitt and friend of Abilene, Glenn Jr. is here spending his school vacation with his grandmother and other relatives in the area.

Although Ethel Anderson's birthday isn't until Dec. 26 those helping with an early celebration last Sunday were the Darwin Andersons of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Scwell and Matt, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy King and Blandye, Mrs. Fred Stacy, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Atwood, Knox Waggoner, Mrs. R. T. Watson, all of this area, John Conger of Cisco, and Mr. and Mrs. Wes Holcomb of Sabanno. She received many beautiful gifts.

NORTH CLYDE AREA GAINS WILDCAT, RE-ENTRY TESTS

H. & H. Oil Co. of Abilene will drill No. 1-B Wallace Johnson as a proposed 2,000-foot wildcat in Callahan County.

Location is 4 1/2 miles north of Clyde on a 52 1/2 acre lease. It spots 1,173 feet from the south and 150 feet from the east lines of Section 70, BBB&C Survey, A-1727.

The firm will re-enter to 1,800 feet at No. 1-A Wallace Johnson, abandoned wildcat in the same area.

Site is 660 feet from the south and 1,650 feet from the west lines of the north-half of Section 70.

It was plugged in 1956 at 1,802 feet by W. D. Brookover Jr. et al.

Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Newton of Valdez, Alaska, are spending about three weeks here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Newton and with other relatives and friends.

LOCAL LADY COMPLETES STATE LVN REQUIREMENTS

Mrs. Dorothy Merilyn Whiteley of Cross Plains, granddaughter of Mrs. Ida Gray, also of this city, passed the state examinations recently and is now a Licensed Vocational Nurse. She completed her courses while in San Angelo, and has been employed by Conlial Oaks Nursing Home for about three months.

DEEP WILDCAT IS SLATED IN SOUTH PUTNAM AREA

A 4,900-foot wildcat oil test has been staked in the area two miles south of Putnam.

It is Jones Co. Ltd. of Albany No. 1 Roger L. Enlow, located on a 1,010 1/2 acre lease.

Site is 1,600 feet north, thence 200 feet west of the northwest corner of Section 10, BOH Survey, but located in Julia Smith Survey 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Cole Tillotson and Colleen of Jesup, Iowa, are spending the holidays here in the John Bursleson home.

WELCOME TO SERVICES AT

Cottonwood Church Of Christ

Bible Study 10 A.M.
Morning Worship . . . 11 A.M.
Evening Worship . . . 5 P.M.
Wednesday Evening Singing
And Bible Study . . . 7 P.M.

SPECIAL LIVE ENTERTAINMENT SATURDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 27 DENNIS THACKER & WESTERN PRECISIONS

NEW YEAR'S EVE DECEMBER 31 MARTY CLIFFORD & BAND WESTERN DANCE LAND

LOCATED 1 MILE EAST OF COLEMAN



Greetings

And with our greetings, a sincere expression of gratitude to our customers.

RIISING STAR SHOE SHOP
C. N. HUDDLESTON



Happiness is patrons like you. Thanks!

HOLIDAY SPECIAL

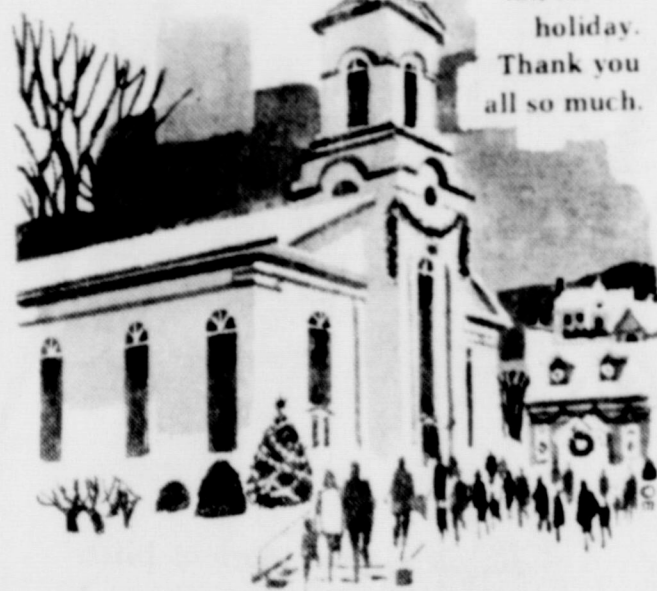
COKE - 7-UP - DR. PEPPER - PEPSI
64 oz. throw away bottle 79c

COKE - 7-UP - DR. PEPPER - PEPSI
32 oz. size . . . 39c each or 3 for \$1
PLUS DEPOSIT ON BOTTLE

Lakeway Store

JOY

We'd like to express our warm wishes: enjoy a peaceful, serene holiday. Thank you all so much.



FROM ALL OF US AT . . .

BRYAN'S VARIETY



A Merry Christmas

May hearts be filled with gladness on His birthday. Thanks.

HINKLE TV SALES & SERVICE
CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

Merry Christmas



Gather 'round the tree for song . . . laughter.
Rekindle friendships . . . extend good tidings to all.
To our loyal patrons greetings and thanks.

FROM ALL YOUR FRIENDS AT . . .

Pioneer Farmers Co-Op



Merry Christmas

We hope you experience all the joy and warmth that goes with this Christmas season. Our gratitude for your friendship and trust.

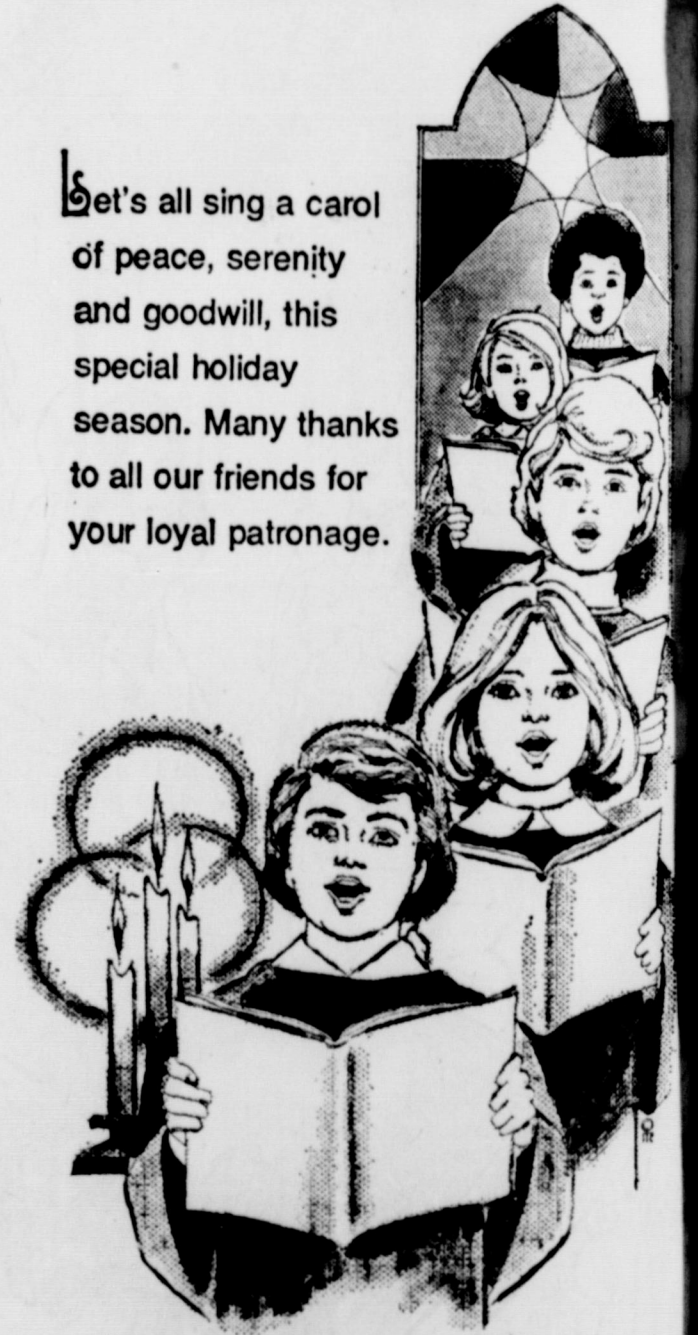
FROM ALL THE BOYS AT . . .

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BAIRD, TEXAS

You Remember?...

10 Years Ago
December 1945

of the city will observe hours on Christmas remaining open until 11 p.m. Shops, stores, bank offices will be closed Christmas Day, with restaurants serving the day.

Plains will have a new directory ready for sometime in January to be published by the Baird Star. At present the telephone and Electric is compiling and listing numbers. Individual books available for each office of the company.

10 Years Ago
December 1955

bring me a walking doll buggy and a ball, Fannie Watkins

been good, I want a doll and some doll read now. Garnet McGowen

10 Years Ago
December 1965

been good and can Please bring me a doll suitcase. Neil Dillard

been a good girl and now. Please bring a little mixmaster cabinet. Charlotte McCowan

10 Years Ago
December 1973

been good, I can read and bring me a doll. Little mixmaster a toy and a baton.

12 Years Ago
December 1963

theft charges have been filed against a 53-year-old man, who was sentenced to 42 months in the State Penitentiary for the theft of goats.

totaling \$7, were filed against the Callahan Livestock Exposing recently built one of Cross Plains. The man from Looney Johnson and his son Johnny, \$2,000 County Singing concert will meet at Scranton afternoon starting at two

o'clock. All lovers of gospel music are invited.

All Callahan County military veterans and their families are being invited to a chili supper to be held in the American Legion Hall at Baird, Thursday night. An Abilene quartet will sing as one of the program features.

Donnie Miller, Eddy Don Edmonson and Mike Montgomery took college entrance examinations in Brownwood Saturday.

8 Years Ago
December 1967

Cross Plains Fire Department extinguished a pair of minor fires Monday. One was near the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Womack and the other was immediately behind the dwelling occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Childers.

Miss Judy Lutzenburger returned to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lutzenburger, here last week end after spending a few days in a hospital at Breckenridge as a medical patient.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry McCov have closed a deal for the dwelling owned by Mr. and Mrs. Billy Mac Copping on Avenue C. They plan to move to the house shortly after first of the new year.

Everything was all set here yesterday for a Christmas concert on the streets of Cross Plains High School Buffalo Band, beginning at 4 o'clock.

Mrs. Flora Wright and son Ted Souder, visited relatives and friends in Mineral Wells and De Leon Sunday.

2 Years Ago
December 1973

Fire destroyed the mobile home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smith near Williams about noon Wednesday. Mrs. Smith is a teacher in the Cross Plains Schools. All possessions were reported lost.

Citizens State Bank has made a \$50 donation to Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department. Alton E. Hornsby, chief of the local company, acknowledged the gift last week.

Cranz (Skipper) Nichols, III of Stephenville, formerly of the Burkett-Cross Plains area was one of 186 seniors who were graduated from Tarleton State University on December 16, in commencement exercises held in Wisdom Gymnasium.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Bates of San Angelo visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Halsell, Saturday and Sunday.

Disabled Children Get SS Benefits

If you had been disabled since childhood due to an accident or crippling disease, and never able to hold down a job how would you live and pay your medical bills? This is a question that fortunately not many of us have to face, but it can be a matter of life and death for those who must.

For the disabled children of many retired, deceased, and disabled workers, both men and women, social security payments provide at least a partial answer, says M. Glynn Hammons of Abilene, district social security manager.

A person over 18, but severely disabled since before the age of 22, may qualify for monthly social security checks on the record of his or her father or mother by social security and is deceased or receiving benefits. This is true even though the person disabled in childhood may never have worked under social security.

In addition, an adult disabled in childhood may be covered by Medicare protection, both the hospital and medical portions, as early as age 20 based on the earnings of either the father or mother. Since the medical bills of the disabled tend to be high, this may even be worth more than the cash monthly benefits involved.

Persons who may qualify for benefits as an adult disabled in childhood may contact the social security office at 142 South Pioneer in Abilene for more information. The telephone number is 698-1360. Office hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

SENATOR FARABEE NAMED TO STATE COMMISSION

Lieutenant Governor Bill Hobby has announced three appointments to the Texas Coordinating Commission for State Health and Welfare Services, created by the 64th Legislature.

They are: Senator Ray Farabee of Wichita Falls, Senator Tati Santiesteban of El Paso and Senator A. R. (Babe) Schwartz of Galveston.

The commission will review and comment on any state agency applications for federal grants for health purposes, and is charged with making a continuing study and analysis of services and programs of all health-related state agencies.

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CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Fonia Worthy, Emma Dee, Mac and Paul and Dee Ann wish to thank the First Baptist Church for the use of Fellowship Hall and all their relatives and friends for helping make their golden wedding celebration last Sunday a memorable day in their life together.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the many acts of kindness shown us during the illness and loss of our loved one. Thank you for your prayers, your love and concern and your thoughtfulness shown in so many ways. We appreciate it all so very very much.

May God richly bless each one of you.
Family of Cassie Montgomery

CARD OF THANKS

The family of I. M. (Fred) Purvis wishes to express their sincere appreciation to all of our friends and loved ones for their acts of love and kindness during the recent passing of our father and grandfather. Your thoughtfulness has made a difficult time in our lives a bit easier to endure. God bless you all.

The L. M. Purvis Family

SOUTH PUTNAM REGULAR FIELD DRAWS PROSPECT

T. A. Kirk and H. L. Neeb of Abilene staked location for No. 1 E. V. Ramsey five miles south of Putnam in the regular field.

The planned 3,000-foot venture is located on a 160 acre lease. It spots 2,310 feet from the north and 940 feet from the east lines of Section 319, Block 5, T&P Survey.

The project is an east twin to No. 1 Ramsey a planned re-entry of which operator has cancelled the permit.

Miss Ruth Miner of Paymentville is spending part of the holidays here with her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Dan Applin.

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Dear Santa,
I would like a sled and reindeer. I believe in you. I wish I had \$10,000 in cash. I want a Ricochet Racer.
Thank you,
John David Foller

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a B-B gun. Leave all of the other toys for the other children and thank you. Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Your friend,
Charles Payne

Dear Santa,
I would like a football helmet and a football. The cookies will be by the table. Do not forget the other boys and girls.
Love,
Russell Barnes

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a Dallas Cowboys uniform with helmet, and a Jaws record and an Evel Knievel Sky Cycle.
I am 8 years old and in the third grade.
Your friend,
Larry Norman

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have for Christmas a walkie-talkie, basketball, baseball, bat and baseball glove. I have a two-year-old brother named Lee Roy. I wish you would bring him a ruck, stuffed bear and a pair of cowboy boots.
Love,
Andy F. Richardson

Dear Santa Claus,
I want an Operation Game, Twister, Six Million Dollar Man and a tape recorder.
Your friend,
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Dear Santa
I want a Baby That-Away, a free moving Barbie, Tiffany Toil and a love pendant.
We will leave some cake and coffee for you.
Love,
Martha Webb

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 10 years old. My name is Jerry Simons. I would like to get a pair of skates for Christmas. I would also like to get some red boots.
I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Love,
Jerry

Dear Santa Claus,
I am nine years old and in the third grade. For Christmas I want a Miss Peep doll, a Pooh puppet, some clothes and some surprises. Thank you.
Love,
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Please bring me a eating and drinking doll and a Barbie man.
Your friend,
Rita Gay Clark

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have these ten things: a bat and a ball, a baseball glove, and then a football and a helmet and a bike and candy, ice cream and a gas airplane to fly and a reindeer to be my pet. That's all I can think of, but you can think of more for me.
Your friend,
Brad Watson

Dear Santa,
Please bring me an electric football game and walkie-talkies. My sister wants a Tiffany Taylor and a record player. I've been very good, well, a little bit. We don't have a chimney. You'll have to find another way to get in. Well, that's all this year.
Your friend,
John V. Hanke

Dear Santa,
I would like a watch, a bicycle, a Lorie Walker doll, some new clothes, and anything else you'd like me to have.
Please remember all the other little boys and girls.
I love you,
Cindy Gosnell



Peace

It's the greatest gift of all. On this special holiday, may you all enjoy the warmth and love that Christmas brings. We thank you for your support.

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Happy Birthday Column

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Hubert Region
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Wesley Webb
Mrs. Evans Watkins
W. A. Balkum
Mrs. D. McAllister
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Mrs. Cal Long

DECEMBER 26

W. F. Kilgore
Ethel Anderson
Jay Ringhoffer
Mrs. Joe Bryson
Claude Foster
Bill Slate
Richard Keith Illingworth
Tom Robinson
Loy Thompson

DECEMBER 27

Mrs. Jack Little
Mrs. Elmer Wilson
Dickie Nowell
Mrs. Lottie Kinnard
Robby Lawrence
Mrs. Gene Bush

DECEMBER 28

Tami Gwen Woody
Don F. McCall
Mrs. Katherine Swindle
Marion Perry
Mrs. Glen Vaughn
Michael Ineram
Mrs. Billy Paul Golson
C. A. Walker
Pauline Collins
Karen Fletcher

DECEMBER 29

Dianne Stanley
Mrs. Earl Allen
Johnnie Strickland
Kenneth D. Brown
Frances Knott
Vicky Moore

DECEMBER 30

Kenneth Hopson
Keith Hopson
Eric Lovell
Mrs. Bob Dean
Gertrude Johnson
Royce Lawrence
Wanda Jennings
Milton Baty
Billy King
Lawrence A. Lee
Nancy Sheppard
F. L. Merrill
Sambo Fleming

DECEMBER 31

Kathy Denny
Eldon Gregg
Royce Lawrence
Mrs. Lela Foster
Sam Hill
Roy Hickman
Mrs. Norman Farr
Mrs. Fred Long
Mrs. M. L. Foster
George Randall Dickey
Vicki Hickman Walker
Paul Golson

Bufs, Buffettes Fall To Early In 10-A Play

Visiting Early basketball teams soundly defeated host Cross Plains squads Tuesday of last week in District 10-A action.

Bufettes dropped their second straight league contest. Early girls thumped the local sextet 61-36. A strong Longhorn quintet boxed the Bisons 72-37. Buffettes fell five points behind, 11-6 in the first quarter but stayed in contention through the first half, trailing just 25-18 at halftime. The visitors, however, padded the lead by 12 points in the third period, and won going away.

Leslie Wyatt paced Cross Plains scoring with 15 points. Other Buffettes getting points were Edith Ingram 8, Melissa Pancake 6, Sandy Bailey 4, Bobra Dillard 2 and Dona Long 1. Miss Adams was Early's top scorer with 16 points.

Early's Longhorns quickly established superiority over the Herd in the boys game, claiming a 17-8 advantage in the first quarter. The visitors led by 37-20 at halftime en route to the 72-37 victory.

Monty Richards paced Bisor scoring with 21 points. Other Bufs tallying were Greg Pancake and Dennis Franke 4 each, Greg Turner 3, Tony Wyatt and Alan Rhodes 2 each. Larry Skaggs led Early's attack with 17 points.

The encounter was the Herd's conference opener.

To report fire in Cross Plains Call 725-6234.

GAS WELL IS COMPLETED SOUTHEAST OF CROSS CUT

A gas well, producing from the Duffer lime, has been completed five miles southeast of Cross Cut in Brown County Regular Field.

It is Ken L. Horan of Cross Plains, No. 1 B. L. Taylor. Site is 1,700 feet from the north and 330 feet from the east lines of J. C. Bailey Survey 137. Absolute, open flow was 400,000 cubic feet of dry gas daily from perforations at 2,917-22 feet. The pay was treated with 1,500 gallons of acid.

Operator set the 4½-inch casing at 3,025 feet. Total depth was 3,128 feet, plugged back to 3,025 feet.

Local Junior Cagers Defeat Baird Teams

Cross Plains Junior High School varsity basketball teams were rude hosts Thursday afternoon defeating Baird counterparts in two games.

Local feminine squad nipped the visitors 28-24 in overtime and the Mighty Mites decisioned the Cubs 28-6.

Kim James sizzled the net for 20 points for Cross Plains in the girls game. In the close contest, which was deadlocked 19-19 at intermission, the score was tied 24-24 at the end of regulation play.

Other local girls scoring were Sherry Koenig 6 and Ruth Burleson 2.

Mites had little difficulty in beating the Cubs. Cross Plains held a 15-0 edge at intermission and Coach Donnie McMillan cleared his bench in the contest en route to the 28-6 triumph.

Top scorer for the Mites was Danny Lewis with 8, and runner-up was Richard Allan with 7.

Junior cagers will see no more action until after the two-week Christmas-New Year recess.

Both local units will travel to Cisco on Monday, Jan. 5, for two games beginning at 6 p.m.

S-Sgt. and Mrs. James Hokett and daughter, Ann Marie, of Mt. Home AFB, Idaho, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Markham, here two days last week end.

Aliens Cautioned To Report Addresses

District Director Joe F. Staley of San Antonio of the Immigration and Naturalization Service estimated that 120,000 aliens will report their addresses in the San Antonio area during January under the Federal Alien Address Report Program.

Staley said that all non-citizens, except those in diplomatic status and foreign representatives of certain international organizations, are required to file the address report.

He added that any alien who willfully violates the address report requirement may be subject to serious penalties.

In addition, aliens who are not in the United States during January must report their addresses to the service within 10 days after their return to this country.

The District Director said that address report cards will be available at United States post offices and at the Immigration and Naturalization Service Office at San Antonio beginning January 1, 1976.

Clasp Envelopes — The Review

Santa Letters

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a chalkboard, a film projector, some walkie-talkies, and I want a big poster of you.
Love,
Tammy Klingberg

Dear Santa,
My name is Kala. I would like a snow cone maker and a bike and a play phone bank and a Santa suit. I have been a nice girl.
Love,
Kala

Sheriff Grayson Miller of Baird was a visitor in Cross Plains one afternoon last week.

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Christmas Greetings

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Callahan County Officials

Sunday dinner guests the home of Mrs. Valere were Mr. and Mrs. G. priest, Gary and Mike, Mrs. Bim Goble, Rhonda Jimmy, all of Rankin, Mr. Wynn, Cindy and Sandy bock, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Lee Jami, Mrs. Bobby Dillard and Randy, Mrs. Nona

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809 AVE. E

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS 76443



Christmas

May you find fulfillment of that special serenity . . . contentment that means so much to everyone as we celebrate His birth. Our sincere thanks to you.
FROM ALL THE FOLKS AT . . .

**LAWRENCE
FARM & RANCH SUPPLY**



MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR

FROM
Kate, Lorena, Bobbie, Bruce, Susan
and Noah

JOHNSON'S DRY GOODS
CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS



DEAR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS

Although we are living through some very challenging days, this Christmas season can be a most wonderful time for all of us simply by believing in the true spirit of Christmas.

As we brighten the countryside with the beauty and color of flowers and plants, we are helping in many ways to bring joy to the world.

All of us at Mayes Flowers extend our best wishes for a very Merry Christmas, and we hope the New Year will bring the very best to you, your families and your friends.

MAYES FLOWER SHOP
JUANITA, NANCY AND REX

Rowden Sector News

By Mrs. N. V. Gibbs

Happy Christmas wishes to each of you who have been reading this column through the years. It has been a very enjoyable experience for me and I hope you have been enjoying it too.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy West and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Price of Baird were in Stehenville last Sunday spending the day with Mr. and Mrs. Richard McClesky. Mrs. James Reynolds attended the funeral of Fred Purvis in Cottonwood last Tuesday.

Mrs. Warren Price attended a Christmas luncheon at the home of Mrs. Mary Finley in Baird last Tuesday. Fourteen members of her Sunday School class were present.

Rickey Sanders and Clay Richardson of Cross Plains spent last Monday night with Troy Harris.

Those visiting in the Raymond Gibbs home during the week were Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Burks of London, Mr. and Mrs. Farris Bennett of Baird, and Jesse Bower, Weldon Gary and Mrs. Jimmy West of the community.

Dale Gibbs of Abilene and Mrs. Ruby Russell spent one day last week at her place near Menard. Dale came back with a wild turkey, which is good on any Christmas menu.

R. G. Watson spent the week end in the Robert Watson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dye, Julie and Douglas Dye all were in Abilene Sunday afternoon to see the movie, "Snow White & The Seven Dwarfs."

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Price attended the funeral of Mrs. James Burks in Baird Sunday afternoon.

Tamara Lawrence of Abilene spent part of last week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lawrence.

Mrs. Hattie West, mother of Jimmy West entered the Baird hospital Saturday one week ago for medical treatment and later spent two days in the Jimmy West home.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Price of Cottonwood and Dale and Roger Gibbs of Abilene visited in the Warren Price home during the week.

Those having supper Sunday night with Don and Maryann Harrell were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harrell, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Newberry and Melissa Newberry and Floyd Keedle all of Abilene.

Those visiting Jerry McDonald over the weekend were Rubye Fay Higgins of Big Spring, Hope and Merla Manning of Odessa, Mrs. Carl Washburn of Sipe Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Henry McDonald of Baird and Ned McDonald of Cross Plains.

Mrs. Tony Steele, Tonya and Bill visited Mrs. Leila Gibbs Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Dye had supper Sunday night in the Tommy Dye home.

Mrs. Gussie (Odom) Bond of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harwell of San Diego, Calif., visited in the Sterling Odom and Blain Odom homes Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Harwell's maiden name was India Mae Ramsey, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. P. (Pitt) Ramsey who a one time lived in the Dressy community. They also made visits in Cross Plains with Mrs. Ivon Odom and Miss Pauline Bond.

On Saturday Steve Odom and Freddie Foy of Baird also visited in the Sterling Odom home. Steve is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Odom of South Dakota.

Mrs. Richard McCleskey of Stephenville spent Friday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy West.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bell of

Baird visited in the Don Harrell home Thursday night.

Those attending the funeral of Mrs. Cassie Montgomery in Cross Plains Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Odom, Mrs. James Reynolds and Mrs. N. V. Gibbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lawrence visited Mr. and Mrs. M. E. (Happy) Howell in Cross Plains Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Harrell attended a Christmas party in the J. W. Greene home in Abilene Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy West attended the Farm Bureau meeting in Baird recently.

Ellen Reynolds spent the weekend with Bea Jackson in Cross Plains.

All is quiet at the Gibbs house on Monday morning—just the hum of the refrigerator and a quiet fire on the open hearth, but time is running out for all those things you meant to accomplish before Christmas.

This writer was in one home yesterday where the tree was small but gifts were plentiful. That means happiness and love at Christmas time when all the family opens their gifts.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Claribel and Vonnelle Gibbs.

Mrs. L. L. Montgomery Buried Here Saturday

Funeral service was held at 2 p.m. Saturday from Higginbotham Funeral Chapel for Mrs. Lloyd (Cassie) Montgomery, 73 longtime and prominent resident of Cross Plains.

Mrs. Montgomery died at 1:30 p.m. Friday at an Abilene hospital following a month's illness.

Officiating the final rites were the Rev. Curtis Simpson, pastor of the First Baptist Church here, and the Rev. V. D. Walters, Abilene pastor and former local Baptist pastor.

Burial was in Cross Plains Cemetery under direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home of Cross Plains.

She was born Cassie Wright March 24, 1902, in Plano, but she had lived in the Cross Plains Community for the past 62 years. She married L. L. (Lloyd) Montgomery Dec. 23, 1920. He died in 1969. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Glenn (Lucille) Payne of Cross Plains, and Mrs. A. H. (Jo Ann) Ringhoffer of Baird; a brother, Everett Wright of Cross Plains; two sisters, Mrs. Hadden Payne and Mrs. Judd Barnett, both of Cross Plains; three grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were R. T. Watson, E. F. Odom, Fonia Worthy, Emil Ringhoffer, Jr., Robert Park and Pat Shields.

Pioneer

By Esthloy S. Dickson

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Daniel will go to Big Spring during the holidays to visit with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Neel and children. Mrs. Neel, the former Bonnie Daniel, will enter a hospital there on Christmas Day and undergo surgery the next day. The exact nature of her illness was not known by the Review Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. McDonald of San Antonio spent last week end here with his brother Cleveland McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Jackson visited his mother, Mrs. Vera Jackson at May last Sunday.

Rhonda Jackson spent last week end with Christy Dewbre at her home west of Cross Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Beggs and daughters of Lincoln, Ark., are spending the holiday week here with Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Beggs and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Clark in Rising Star.

J. T. and Betty visited a few days last week in Sulphur Okla., with her mother, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Young and an uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Woolf.

Mrs. R. P. Barnett, Mrs. Mark Walker and Sharon Bea and Mrs. Benny Glover and Pamela were business visitors in Coleman on Monday.

To report fire in Cross Plains Call 725-6234.

Fonia Worthys Celebrate 50th Anniversary Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Fonia Worthy of Cross Plains celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church here Sunday afternoon.

Hosts for the celebration were the couple's daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mac Coppinget and children, Paul and Dee Ann, of Eula.

One hundred and seventy-five persons registered at the reception held from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Mrs. N. L. Long, Jr. and Miss Sangra Barr presided at the register.

Beautiful gifts were displayed on long tables, attended by Mrs. Clyde Sims and Mrs. A. J. McCuin.

The refreshment table was laid with a golden satin cloth, overlaid with gold lace. It also held gold candelabras holding gold candles and was centered with a yellow-gold rose arrangement.

The tiered cake was decorated with yellow-gold roses, topped with a golden "50." Golden punch was served from a brass bowl. Nuts and mints were served with the cake and punch.

Presiding at the refreshment table were Mrs. Charlyse Morris, Mrs. Sammy Long and Mrs. Melody Ferguson. Attending the table were Mrs. Peyton Smith and Mrs. Claude Mayes. Others in the houseparty were Mrs. C. A. Barr, Mrs. Alta Harris, Mrs. Norrell Long, Mrs. Lester Barr and Mrs. A. L. Barr.

Out-of-town guests were from Albany, Abilene, Baird, Eula, Coleman, Brownwood, Rising Star, Cisco, Big Spring and Marble Falls.

23-BARREL OILER IS COMPLETED NEAR EULA

Davis Brothers of Abilene completed No. 4 Archite's in the Lytle Gap (Upper Cook) Field seven miles southwest of Eula in Callahan County.

Location is 2,310 feet from the north and 540 feet from the east lines of Section 7, Block 7, SP Survey.

Daily potential was 23 barrels of 37.8 gravity oil, pumping from perforations at 1,914-19 feet. Operator set the 4½-inch casing at 2,149 feet, one foot off bottom.

Mrs. Alice Irvin and Mrs. Chester Glover visited Mrs. George Forbes in Cisco Thursday afternoon.

S. E. Parkinson of Cisco, and Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Scott of Andrews visited here last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. S. McCann.

Review Advertising Pays



Merry Christmas from our family to yours. Hope it's filled with an abundance of holiday treasures—love, peace and happiness. Enjoy each moment of fun and laughter. Share the good times with those dear to you. Thanks for your loyal support.

FROM RANDALL, JO AND SHEREE AND EVERYONE ELSE AT

Randall's Super Market

CROSS PLAINS REVIEW

CROSS PLAINS' OLDEST BUSINESS INSTITUTION — LARGEST CIRCULATION IN CALLAHAN COUNTY

THIRTY-NINE

CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS 76443 WEDNESDAY, DEC. 24, 1975

SECTION B

SIXTY-SEVENTH YEAR



Christmas Greetings

Good tidings of comfort and joy . . . to all our cherished friends and neighbors. We hope the season's warmth fills your house and hearth with rekindled feelings of peace and brotherhood. Rejoice . . . be happy! Share the Christmas spirit! Special thanks for your loyalty and very pleasant associations.

From All Your Friends At
NEAL DRUG

Area Children Write Notes To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,

I've been a real good boy this year and I'm looking forward to seeing you Christmas.

I want a "Weeble West", Evel Knievel Stunt Cycle, Big Wheels and Super Heros.

Please bring my sister, Kayla, some presents. She has tried real hard to be good.

Hope all the other boys and girls will get some presents.

Love,
Scotty Cupit

Dear Santa Claus,

I am six years old, and I am in kindergarten in Cross Plains, Texas. School. I have been a good boy this year. For Christmas I would like to have a train, racing car, farm house with animals or a play tractor. And I would also like a new cowboy hat and a rocking horse.

Thank you, Santa Claus, for reading my letter, and I'll leave milk and cookies for you on the table, ok?

Thank you,
Richard Dominguez

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus and you? I am fine. I want a tape recorder, a purple airplane, a sister, black belt, black neck scarf, black gloves, black hat without cord, black pants, black plaid shirt, black boots and black vest.

Sincerely,
Charlie Grider

Dear Santa,

I am trying to be good. I want a baby that grows hair and a choo-choo train and a purse. Bring Angie and Lanna a toy, too. They have been pretty good, too.

Love,
Elizabeth Holland

Dearest Santa Claus,

Hi there. I've been a pretty good girl. And I would like for you to please bring me The Walton House, and all the family, house coat, gown, foot-in sleepers, some more new clothes, Baby Rubb-Dubb, some story books, and a play house to play in. I guess that's all I want.

I sure hope all the other little girls and boys get what they want.

I love you, Santa. So, bye now, and I'm hoping you can bring me everything I want but if you can't and have to get me something else that will be alright. Bye, I love you always.

Lee Ann Dominguez

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been a real good girl this year. I would like for you to bring me a tractor, a toy lawn mower, a Baby Alive doll and some new clothes. Please don't forget to fill my stocking. It is hanging by my tree.

Also please remember my mommy and daddy, my grandparents and all my aunts and uncles and my cousins, Pam and Becky. Please remember all the boys and girls in my Sunday School Class.

I love you,
Sharon Bea Walker

Dear Santa Claus,

I am 6 years old and in kindergarten and my mother and daddy helped me write this letter because I can't write.

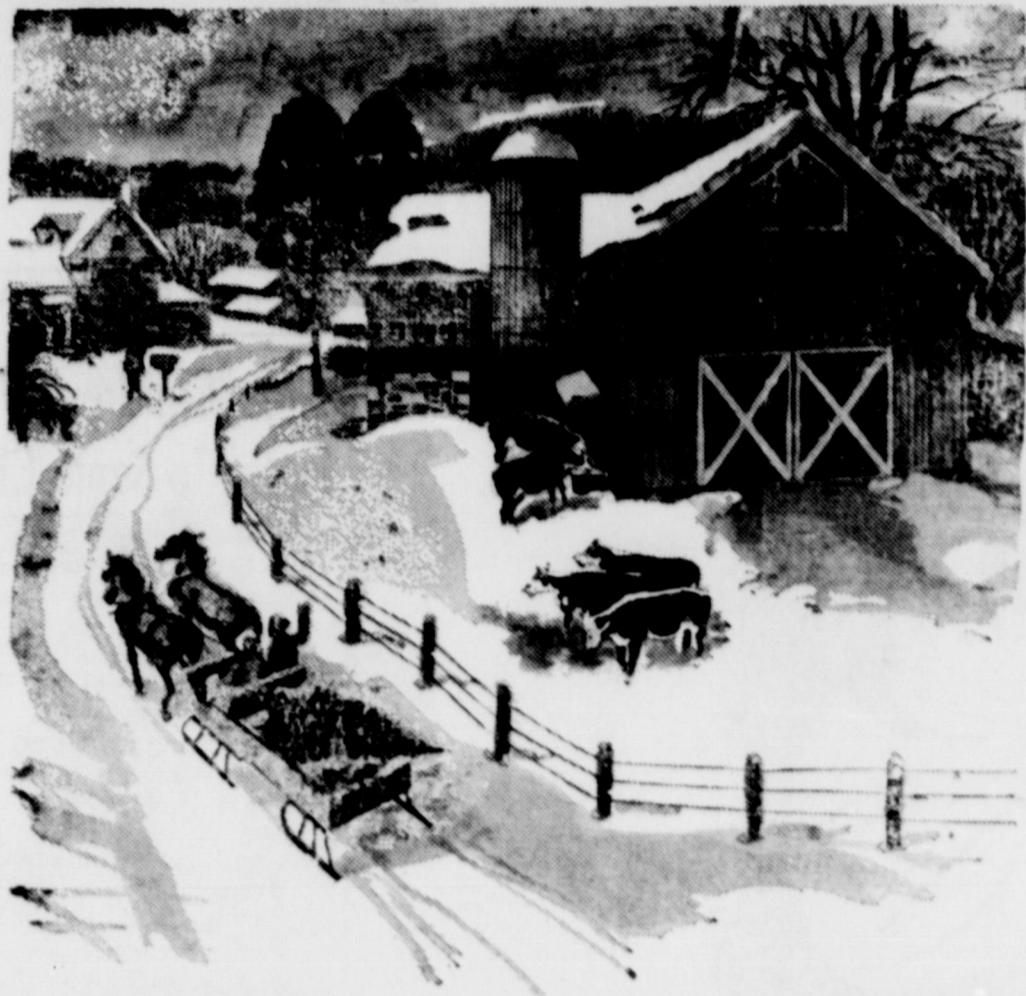
Santa, I would like to have a junior erector set, a big red wagon, record player and records and a T.V. Magic.

Santa, please bring my big brothers a record player and records so they won't bother mine.

Santa, remember all the other boys and girls and bring them something for Christmas. I have tried to be good boy.

Your friend,
Darin Apple

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Call 725-6234.



Greetings

The season's warm glow is filling the air with happiness and cheer, laughter and joy.

And as we celebrate this special time, we want to take a moment to thank you for your valued patronage and good friendship.

Rose Butane Service



A Child is Born...

Wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger, the Christ Child came into the world to lead the way to peace, love and happiness.

FROM ALL THE FOLKS AT

Johnston Truck & Supply

Santa Letters

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 5 years old and in kindergarten. And I have been a good boy this year. So would you please bring me an Eve Knievel Dragster, rifle and pistol set, Batman, Robin and the Batmobile, a Thundershift 500 and anything else you want to give me for Christmas. And remember Santa, we will be at my grandparents in Odeca Christmas.

Remember all the other boys and girls so everyone will have a Merry Christmas.
Love you,
Gregg Weiss

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Pamela Sue Glover. I am 2½ years old. I have been a good little girl. Please bring me a little piano, some pajamas and some clothes. Remember all my little friends in Cross Plains and my mother and daddy also. Please remember my Grandpa and Grandma Barnett and my Granny Glover too.

I love you,
Pamela

Dear Santa,
I think I've been a pretty good boy for 2½ years old this year. I would like to have some new cowboy boots and some new toys. Please remember all of my new friends here in Cross Plains and my old friends in McKinney, especially my cousin, Steve. Have a Merry Christmas!

Love,
Cody Self

Dear Santa,
I am three years old and I have been a very good boy this year.
Would you please bring me a Big Wheel Cycle, a rifle, a gun and holster set, and a Mattel Drill? Thank you.
Please don't forget all the other little boys and girls.
Your friend,
Kyle Foster

My Dear Santa,
I want a Kick-N-Go and a bowling set, and a Thirty-Bird Air Police with a helicopter that really flies. I want a puppet like Goofy or Donald Duck or the Big Bad Wolf. I also want a Leg-Building Set and a Take-Apart Tool Box with tools, and a Spiro-Graph. I'll have a big red stocking with 2 legs hung up by the Christmas tree. Please fill it up with candy and batteries. I have been a real good boy most of the time. I have been sweet to my little brother Brandon, and I love him. I love my Daddy and Mother.
Bring Brandon some more different colored rattlers, blue, red and white and yellow and green. I'll leave some milk and cookies by the Christmas tree for you.
Terrill Shane Smith

Dear Santa,
Gee, I can hardly wait until Christmas is here. I'm sure you'll agree that I've been good this year. These are what I want you to bring for Christmas: A firetruck, gun with bullets, "deep boots" but my daddy says they're cowboy boots, and some little animals. After you come, stay for cookies and hot chocolate. They'll be sitting on the dining room table.
Thank you,
David Morales, Jr.
Age 3
P.S.: I love you, too!

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl this year. At least I think so, but my Mommy says I haven't. What I would like for Christmas is a game, a Mickey Mouse watch, some dishes and candy. Oh yes, please bring something for my little brother so he won't get into my stuff. We don't have a chimney, but I promise I'll leave the door open.
Thank you,
Lisa Morales
Age 5
P.S.: I love you

Dear Santa,
I want a B-B gun and Snoopy toothbrush. And there will be cookies and coffee on the table.
Your friend,
Jeff Hutchins



Merry Christmas

It's that warm and cozy Holiday Season when families share with their neighbors and friends happy times and good feelings. We wish you the best

ALVIN AND VONDEAN HUTCHINS AND EVERYONE AT

Cross Plains Locker Plant



Joy AT Christmas

During this joyous holiday we would like to express sincere thoughts that this should be a blessed season for all.

ALTON, MADGE AND TOMMY HORNSBY

Hornsby Electric

Christmas Gift Wants Listed By Children

Dear Santa,
I want a big doll and a high chair, some shoes, a baby bib, a paint set a TV set, a book, a baby bed and that is all. But I have a sister and a brother. They are 11 and 2.
Thank you,
Debra Meroney

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a dart gun and an airplane and kite and train set, two pistols and a rifle and holster and a race track.
Love,
Kevin Weiss

Dear Santa,
I am seven years old. I have been pretty good.
I would like to have tools and a bench, a B-B gun, a rod and reel and a Put Put Speedway. I would also like a football. Please remember all the other kids.
I love you,
Darby Minton Nichols

Dear Santa,
My name is Ginny. I am 5 years old.
I want a Baby That-Away and a Barbie Quick-Curl. I want some white boots. I want a jump rope. I want a Jewel Magic. I want a Baby Bless You.
I love you, too, Santa Claus.
Ginny Pope

Dear Santa,
My name is Stacy. I am 7 years old.
I want some black boots. I want a Barbie Town House. I want a Bible. I want a new Baby Dreams. I want a walking doll. I want a Nod-About dolly.
I love you, too, Santa Claus.
I want a Dusty.
Stacy Pope

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a pellet gun and an Evel Knievel.
And don't forget the other boys and girls.
Love,
Bryan Brown

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl this year. I am 7 years old, and I'm in the second grade. I want a Baby That-Away doll, the Sunshine Family and their house, Barbie's Ski Village, Barbie's Beauty Center and anything else you want to bring me for Christmas. And remember, Santa, we will be at my Mema's in Odesa. I will leave a snack for you.
Love you,
Staci Weiss

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a bicycle, football, camera and a trip to Six Flags. Merry Christmas, Santa Claus, and give present to the other children.
Love,
John Fred McWilliams

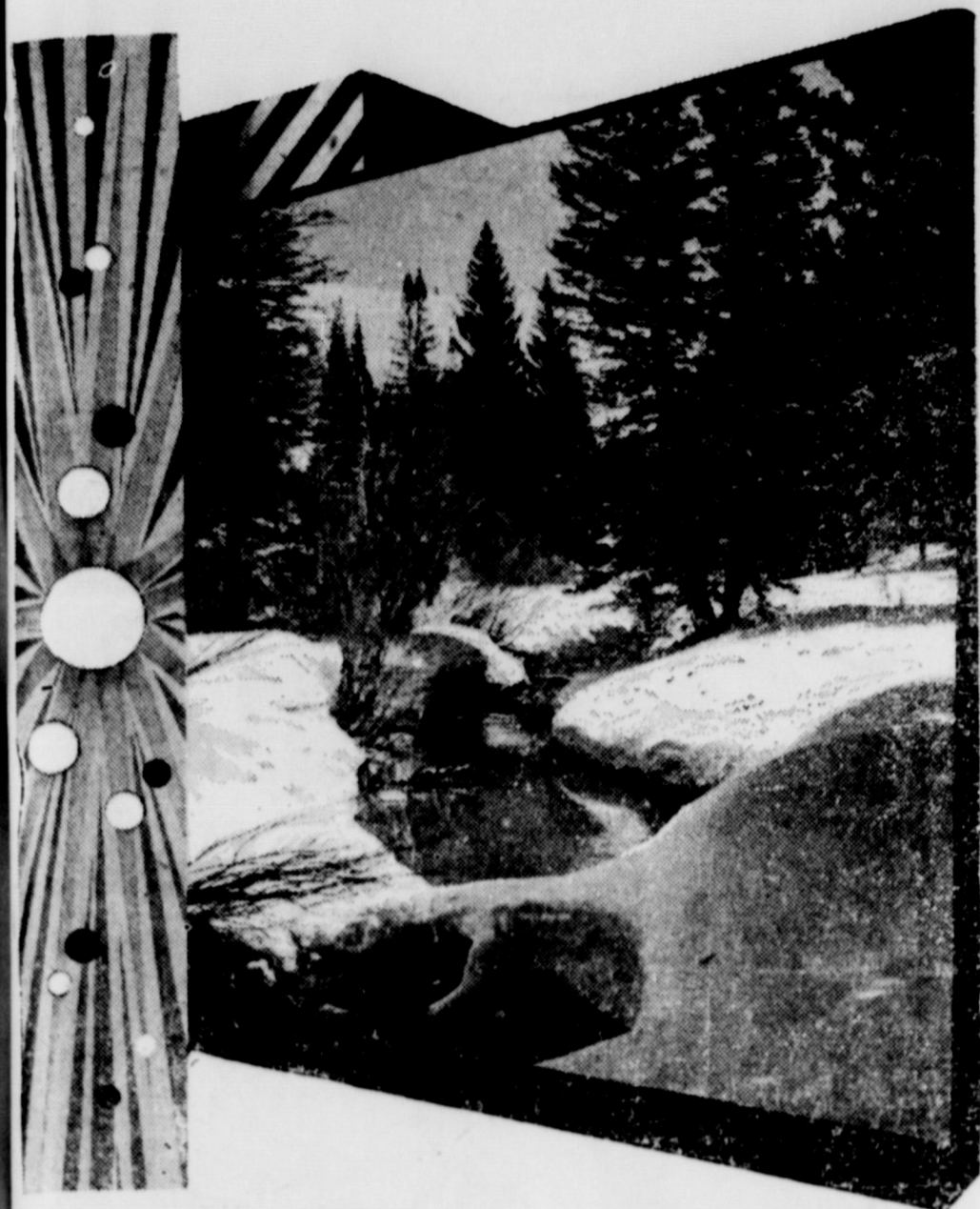
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a XX-70, a chemistry set, a microscope, a walkie-talkie set and that's all.
Thank you, Merry Christmas.
Love,
David Parker

Dear Santa,
I want a Family Tree House and a bicycle and some Legos. Thank you very much.
Please remember the other boys and girls.
Love,
Alicia Kirkham

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a bear and a doll for Christmas.
Thank you.
Love,
Courtney Kirkham

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Barbie doll and a tape recorder and a Sunshine Family Van and a picture camera.
Send all the girls and boys something.
Thank you,
Raenell Lancaster

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

The freshness of new fallen snow awakens deep reflections of holiday sentiments. We express the hope that good will and brotherhood prevail to bring lasting peace among us. The best of the season to you and sincere thanks for your loyalty.

FROM EVERYONE AT

Cross Plains Grain & Peanut Co.



Merry Christmas to all

Happy carolers raise their voices to add a cheery Christmas note. It's full of good wishes and spirited hopes that this Yule is the best ever for all of you!

Dillard Texaco Station

CHARLES DILLARD, OWNER



Merry Christmas to all!

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

Coleman County Electric Cooperative, Inc.



Christmas greetings

In the spirit of an old-fashioned Christmas we extend best wishes to all. We hope you and your loved ones share in the many old-time joys and blessings of the season.

Sewalt Butane Company

PETE GOLSON, LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE

Santa Letters

Dear Santa,
 I think I've been a pretty good girl this year.
 Would you please bring me a Rub-A-Dub Doll, a Barbie Town House, a new Barbie, some doll clothes and some new clothes for?
 Please don't forget all my little friends.
 I love you,
 Bonnie Jo Gosnell

Dear Santa Claus,
 I want a Mr. Potato Head and a picture camera. I want a doll, and send all the other boys and girls some toys.
 I love you,
 Melissa Lancaster

Dear Santa,
 I would like a farmhouse, farm equipment, with cows, truck, tractor and a motor-scooter.
 Thank you, Santa,
 Chris Duncan

Dear Santa,
 I want a Snoopy toothbrush and an electric train with buttons to push and a three wheel-er, please.
 Thank you,
 Kenneth Hutchins

Dear Santa,
 Please bring me a Push-A-Potamus and a Pop-Up Top for Christmas. Fill my stocking with suckers and toys. I have been a sweet boy even though my mommy has a time keeping me out of the Christmas tree. Bring my big brother, Terrill, a bunch of toys.
 Brandon Kent Smith

Dear Santa,
 Please bring me some boots and a cowboy suit and a bow and arrows and a bike and some walkie-talkies and a Baby That-Away and some material for a long dress.
 Love,
 Melissa Anne Morgan

Peace...
 Joy

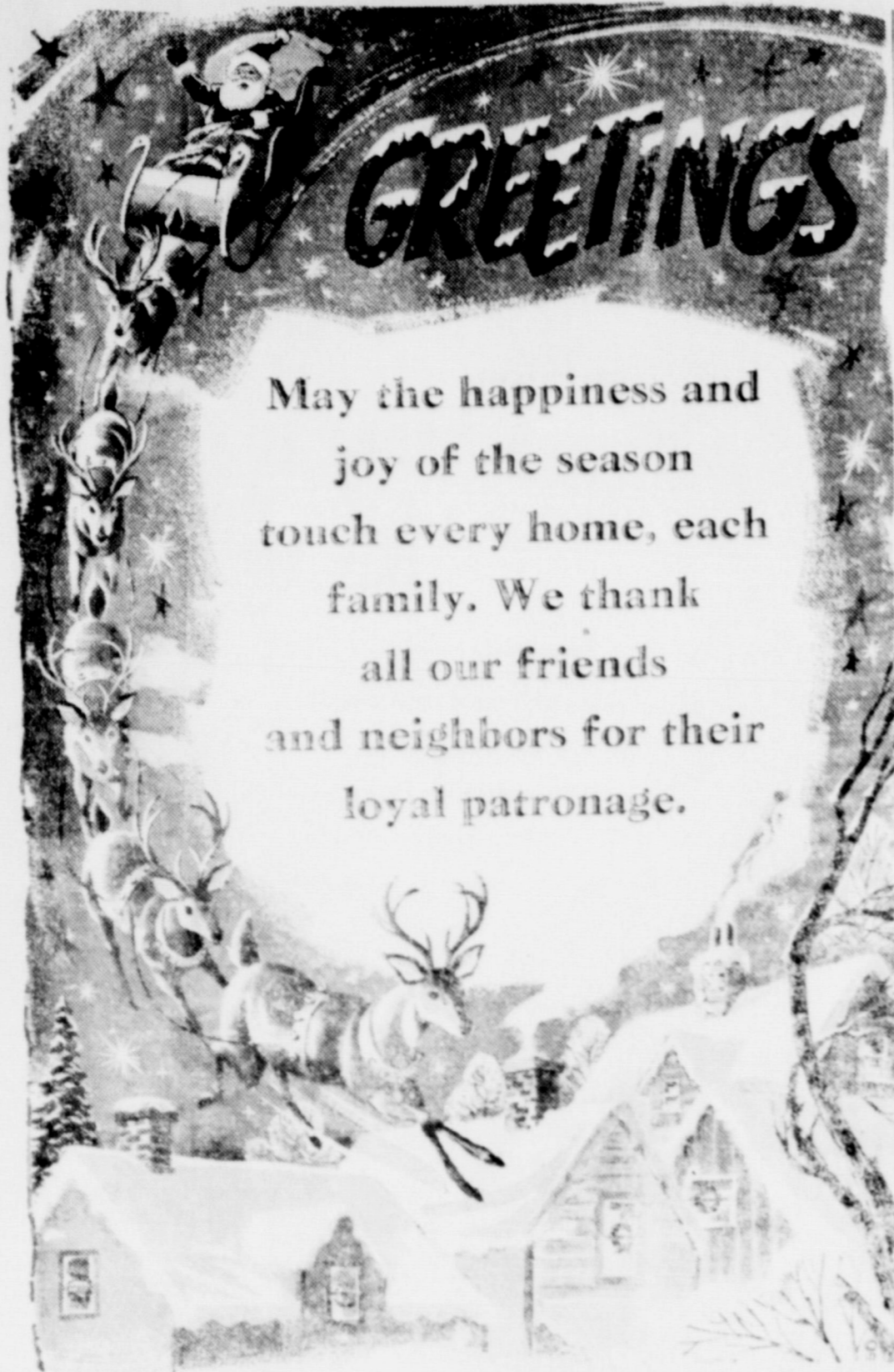
Long ago, three kings offered gifts as gestures of goodwill. Please accept our gift . . . to wish you and your family a warm, wonderful Christmas. Thanks to all.



WE WILL BE CLOSED WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, DEC. 24 & 25.

MORRIS AND DOROTHY ODOM AND EVERYONE AT

Odom's Cafe



May the happiness and joy of the season touch every home, each family. We thank all our friends and neighbors for their loyal patronage.

MR. AND MRS. TRAVIS FOSTER AND EVERYONE AT . . .

Foster Grocery



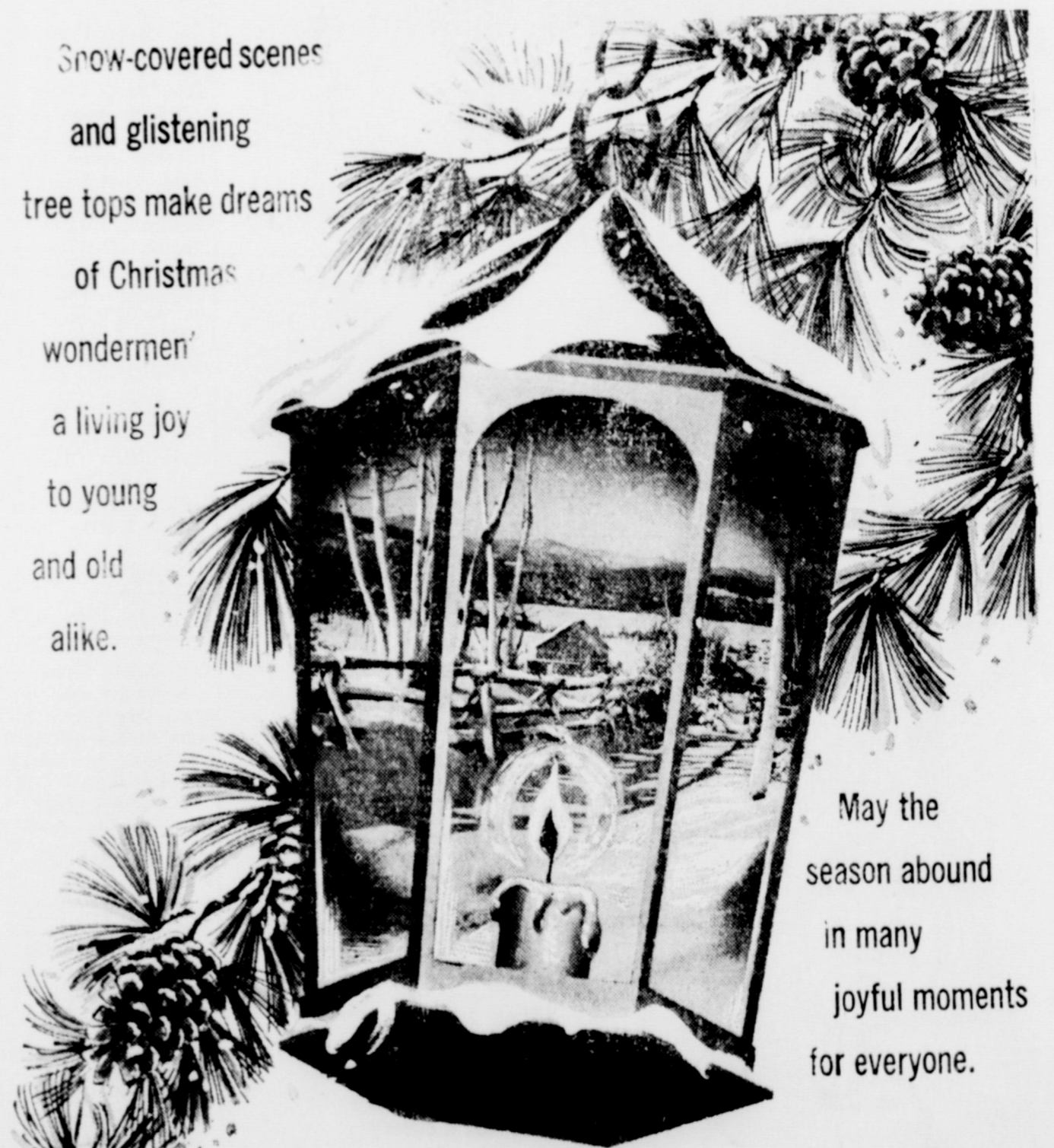
CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May you and yours be blessed with the love and tranquility that abound throughout this glorious season. We wish for you a happy holiday. Thanks so much for your support.

George Hutchins

YOUR MOBIL CONSIGNEE

Snow-covered scenes
 and glistening
 tree tops make dreams
 of Christmas
 wonderment
 a living joy
 to young
 and old
 alike.



May the season abound in many joyful moments for everyone.

Merry Christmas

City Of Cross Plains