

**Weather**

	HIGH	LOW
December 11	45	16
December 12	71	23
December 13	71	20
December 14	60	23
Rainfall to date	15.01	

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**INSULATION GOING ON**—These workmen are insulating the Bailey County Civic Center and Coliseum in preparation to putting up the ceiling in the front portion of the new civic center. After getting off to a late start, the work is going along well in construction of the

new center as the weather has cooperated with the builders. The center is expected to be completed late in January or early in February, 1978.

## Plains Irrigation Gas Users In Effort To Obtain Gas

Gordon Murrah of Muleshoe, secretary-treasurer of the Bailey County Gas Users Association



Joyce Shafer, local CPA, was guest speaker last week at the meeting of the American Businessmen's Club of Lubbock. She spoke on "Tax Benefits We Have Loved and Lost," and "What We Can Do Now."

New board members elected at the Muleshoe Country Club recently include Jim Young, president; Tim Campbell, vice president; Don Rempe, secretary-treasurer; Ernest Martin, Mack Brown, Bob Stovall and Stanley Wilson, directors.

Florene B. Flatt and Donna Jo Green of Muleshoe are among the 299 candidates for Eastern New Mexico University's second fall graduation. Mrs. Flatt will receive a



**QUITE A COLLECTION**—Odessa College forensics team member, David Smith, of Muleshoe, poses with a few of the many trophies he has received in tournament competition for debate and individual events this school year. Smith, the son of Mrs. Wilma Smith, 402 W. Ninth, Muleshoe, graduated from Muleshoe High School in 1976 and is currently a speech and government major at OC.

and Jay Boston, Hereford, vice president of the 14-county Plains Irrigation Gas Users Association, reported to the Muleshoe Journal that all the area irrigation farmers have a big stake in the federal energy legislation now being drafted by the conference committee of Senators and Representatives.

Boston indicated that the Association's attorney, John D. Aiken, is working through Congressman George Mahon's office, primarily in an effort to amend the present legislation so that natural gas used for irrigation pumping and crop drying would be given priority in order to insure continued availability of natural gas. This work represents a continuation of the efforts on the part of the Association to prevent curtailment of natural gas for irrigation pumping and crop drying, he explained.

He further commented that the first threat to natural gas for agriculture came in December, 1974 when the Federal Power Commission changed the classification of agricultural gas from No. Two Commercial classifica-

tion to No. Three Industrial Classification, which would have meant making irrigation gas subject to curtailment.

Murrah and Boston said many trips have been made by the Association's officers and legal representatives to Washington and Austin in an effort to protect

### Builder Asks Commissioners 'Consideration'

Several persons appeared before the Bailey County Commissioners Court Monday during the day with a varied number of requests.

One person was Jerry King of King Builders, asking the commissioners to give consideration to a necessary delay in beginning construction on the Bailey County Coliseum and Exhibition Center.

He explained that through a request for all data to be submitted at time prior to beginning construction, the company had been 'unduly delayed in starting construction' on the new civic center.

King said he expected to have the Civic Center completed in Late January or early February. Commissioners said they would consider his request for some extension on the working days to completion as agreed upon prior to starting the project in Muleshoe.

Two men met with commissioners to ask for county contributions in acquiring a van-bus to be used by the Day Care Center in Muleshoe. However, no action was taken on the request.

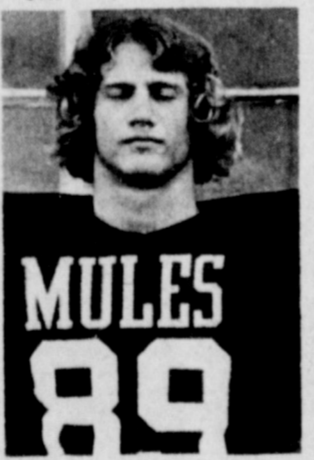
Wanda Gramling, HECE teacher from Muleshoe High School asked the county commissioners to approve part-time employment of a student-worker to be employed in the Bailey County Sheriff's office to assist office deputy, Irene Splawn. Also meeting with the court was Clyde Krebs, who asked commissioners to vacate a piece of land he had filed as applited addition.

Routine bills were also paid during the meeting.

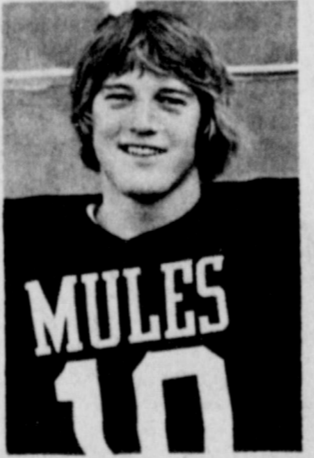
natural gas for irrigation. In the last session of the Texas Legislature, a bill was proposed by the Association which gave strict priority to agricultural gas. However, the same protection must be preserved in the federal legislation, the men emphasized, and the next few weeks will be a crucial period.

Murrah stated that the Asso-

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MARCUS BEVERSDORF



MARK WASHINGTON

### Mules Named All-South Plains Duo

After a successful year for the Muleshoe Mules, several honors have come their way. Two more Mules have been named to honors during the past week.

Named to the All-South Plains first team were Marcus Beversdorf and Mark Washington. Beversdorf was tabbed as split end and Washington as defensive end.

## Wreck Toll Climbs, With Local And Area Injuries

### Bands To Present Concert Tonight

Muleshoe's Public School bands will present their annual Christmas Concert tonight (Thursday) December 15 at 8 p.m. in the Muleshoe High School auditorium.

Both the Muleshoe High School and Junior High School bands will be featured in the concert and a film of the high school band's performance at marching contest will also be shown.

Each band has a 'light' program planned, featuring traditional Christmas tunes, pop tunes and a couple of overtures. Selections by the Mighty M Band will include He's Got the Whole World in His Hands, Froehliche Wienachten, Soul Explosion, White Christmas, Overture: Disones, Silent Night and The Stars and Stripes Forever.

Junior High School's band selections are Holy, Holy, Holy, Astro Overture, Yuletide Sketches, Electric Sandbox, and The Little Drummer Boy.

Directing the concert will be

High School Director Charles Faulkner and Junior High Director Martha Anthis. There will be no admission charge for the concert.

### South Plains Offering Five Local Courses

Five college extension courses will be offered at Muleshoe High School through the South Plains College Division of Continuing Education.

Registration will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 12, 1978, in the Muleshoe High School cafeteria.

Late registration will continue Jan. 11-19, 1978, in the business office of the Muleshoe Independent School District. Classes begin Monday, Jan. 16, 1978.

Courses offered will include "General Psychology" (Psy 231-45), from 7 to 10 p.m. Mondays; "College Composition and Rhetoric" (Eng 131-45), and "Rhetoric" (Eng 131-45) and "Masterpiece of Literature" (Eng 232-45), both from 7 to 10 p.m. Tuesdays; and "History of U.S. Since 1876" and "Principles of Economics I" (Eco 231-45), both from 7 to 10 p.m. Thursdays.

For further information, contact either SPC's Division of Continuing Education at 894-4921, ext. 242, or the office of Tom Jinks, Muleshoe Independent School District, 272-3911.

### School Board Buys Engines For Mechanics

Three bids were approved for purchase of engines for use by the auto mechanics department at Muleshoe High School. Approved were bids by Western Sprinkler Co., a Perkins Engine for \$200; Wayne Crittenden, a Ford Diesel unit for \$785 and Terry Gunter, a Ford 390 engine for \$315. School board members Monday night rejected all bids on a 250 Chevrolet engine.

Board members also approved having the ceiling and walls painted in the high school corridors and approved a low bid as submitted by Larry Price of Earth.

They also approved replacing incandescent lighting with fluorescent lighting in old classrooms in Junior High School. The action was taken to meet needed current standards for lighting classrooms.

Numerous other items were discussed, including the school calendar for the new year; the teacher unemployment insurance program; school board policy manuals; financial and tax reports and the average daily attendance reports.

Board members accepted the resignation of Mary Williams, bookkeeper in the tax office and approved a lease agreement with the city to get the tennis courts re-surfaced.

### Legislation For Farmers Meet Slated

Muleshoe—The new farm legislation is important to each South Plains farmer. The law has been passed and the USDA has issued many of the critical explanations that producers need to know.

A discussion and explanation of the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977 will be held at 1:15 p.m. on Thursday, December 15, at the Agricultural Center located on old highway 87 in Plainview, according to Spencer Tanksley (CEA). All farmers are encouraged to attend and learn more about the law that will

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### Highway Accident Hospitalizes Duo

Two persons were hospitalized in Muleshoe at West Plains Medical Center late Monday afternoon following an accident approximately 12 miles east of Muleshoe on Highway 70.

The drivers of both the cars involved in the intersection collision were injured in the accident and brought to Muleshoe by ambulances from Earth and Muleshoe.

Hospitalized in good condition at presstime Dorothy Chance of Muleshoe and Vera Faulkner of Dimmitt. A passenger in the Chance vehicle was not injured in the 4:45 p.m. accident, which occurred at the intersection of Highway 70 and FM303.

The force of the impact swung the Chance car around, shearing off two heavy poles marking a culvert, while the Faulkner car spun off into a ditch.

Investigating the accident was Daniel Alvarado, THP Trooper, stationed in Littlefield.

Saturday night, no injuries were recorded in an apparent hit and run accident on private property in Muleshoe, with moderate damage being noted on the police report.

In a Friday night accident, a car driven by Mike Henry went out of control on the curve on West 20th Street, jumped the curb and slammed into an apartment complex under construction.

Henry was not injured in the accident which damaged the porch of the front wall of one apartment.

The V.J. Buhrman home of West Seventeenth Street was the final resting place for one

vehicle involved in a two-vehicle accident at the corner of West Avenue C and West Seventeenth Street around 5:25 p.m. last Thursday. The driver of one of the vehicles involved in the accident was also a Buhrman, Dale Buhrman.

One of the vehicles involved, driven by Ron Jordan, went through a wall of the V.J. Buhrman home, leaving a hole in the brick wall.

Two persons were taken to West Plains Medical Center for treatment of injuries received in the accident.

Dale Buhrman was taken to Lubbock for further treatment of his injuries as concerned officials began to issue 'safe driving' warning to the motoring public.

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### Police Report

Offense reports in the Bailey County Law Enforcement Center during the weekend included a theft report by Tim A. Jones of West Camp. He reported as missing a .38 pistol, strobe light and radio.

Mickey Sowder reported the loss of a tape recorder, half inch drill, jig saw and some gas.

Arrests included nine for drunk; one for illegal alien and drunk; one driving while intoxicated and no driver's license; one for drunk and unlawful entry; one for assault; one for fighting and three on theft charges.



**CHANCE CAR**—Injured Monday afternoon at the intersection of Highway 70 and FM 303, east of Muleshoe was Mrs. Dorothy Chance of Muleshoe. Her young granddaughter in the car was injured. Mrs. Chance was brought to the hospital in Muleshoe for treatment and is reported to be in good condition.



**FAULKNER CAR**—Vera Faulkner of Dimmitt was injured Monday afternoon when the car she was driving was in a collision east of Muleshoe with another vehicle. Mrs. Faulkner was brought to West Plains Medical Center where she is receiving treatment for her injuries.

### Former Resident R. J. Mitchell Buried Wednesday

Robert J. Mitchell, 73, a former longtime resident of Muleshoe, was buried last Wednesday in Lubbock at the time of his death, he died at 5:55 a.m. Monday, December 13 in St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock.

Services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the W.W. Rix Chapel with the Rev. James Engel, pastor of First Foursquare Gos-

pel Church of Lubbock. Burial was in the Sudan Cemetery at Sudan.

He had moved to Lubbock in 1968 from Muleshoe, where he lived for several years.

Survivors include his wife, Velma; two sons, William Earl Mitchell, Amarillo; and Herman

Eddy Mitchell of Ada, Okla.; two daughters, Mrs. Bonnie Fulbright, Lubbock and Mrs. Doris Brogdon, Morse; three brothers, Charlie Mitchell, Panhandle; Joe Mitchell, Seminole and David Mitchell, Seminole; three sisters, Mrs. Annie Ellard, Ft. Worth; Mrs. Laura Collier, Mexia and Mrs. Bonnie

Harrison, Muleshoe; 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

### Three Way News

By Mrs. H.W. Garvin

#### Best Of Press Digestible

You will not get indigestion if you swallow your pride now and then. -Front Line, Cedar Rapids.

#### Learning

The only thing I ever learned from experience is that I'd just made another mistake. -News, Knoxville, Tn.

#### Years Will Tell

Old age is when you find yourself using one bend over to pick up two things. -Clipper, Ashland, Kan.

Those who love to argue should get a book of facts.

Mrs. Bobby Kindle and girls spent the weekend in Roswell, N.M. with her mother Mrs. J.T. Lemons and her sister the R.H. Tompson family.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Reed from Midland spent the weekend with her parents the Elmer Lees.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Joe Durham, Tommy Durham and Darrell Fulton all of Lubbock and Mrs. H.W. Garvin from Maple were dinner guests in the George Tyson home Sunday.

Mrs. Joe Sowder is in Littleton, Colorado taking care of her grandson born Dec. 8th to Mr.

and Mrs. Jack McCarty.

Rev. and Mrs. James Gillentine from Lubbock visited her mother, Mrs. H.W. Garvin Friday.

Freddie Parkman has been an accident patient in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock the past week.

Mrs. Jack Furgeson spent Tuesday night in Lubbock with her daughter the Jim Greens.

The Three Way boys won second place in the Whitherell basketball tournament the past weekend but our Three Way girls lost.

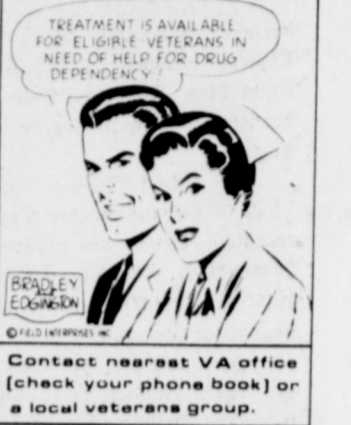
Mr. and Mrs. T.D. Davis attended the golden wedding anniversary for Mr. Davises aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mullens in Lubbock

Sunday.

Gins are very busy in the community with most cotton pulled but not ginned yet.

The problems of life are usually those matters which, after all, do not amount to very much.

So says the VA... by REX MORGAN Edgington



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10 1/2 Oz. Pkg. Kraft Miniature **MARSHMALLOWS 33c**  
4 Roll Pkg. Bathroom Tissue **DELSEY 89c**  
50 Ct. Pkg. Kleenex Dinner **NAPKINS 55c**  
Quart Bottle White **KARO SYRUP \$1.09**  
7 Oz. Jar Kraft **MARSHMALLOW CREME 49c**  
1 Lb. Tub White Swan **OLEO 49c**  
No. 303 Can Del Monte Whole **GREEN BEANS 3/\$1**  
No. 300 Can Ocean Spray Whole Or Jellied **CRANBERRY SAUCE 2/89c**

No. 300 Can Del Monte All Green **ASPARAGUS SPEARS \$1.09**  
No. 303 Can White Swan **PEAR HALVES 39c**  
11 Oz. Can Goodday Mandarin **ORANGES 3/\$1**  
1/2 Pt. All Brands **WHIPPING CREAM 3/\$1**  
8 Oz. Pkg. All Brands **SOUR CREAM & DIPS 39c**

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### Wreck...

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"Drive defensively, so you won't become a statistic," commented Muleshoe Police Chief Buddy Black. "Drive not only for yourself, but the other driver you may be meeting or passing."

### Muleshoe...

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bachelor of science degree in English, summa cum laude, while Mrs. Green receives a bachelor of science degree in English.

ASC 1978 committee members recently elected are Eugene Shaw, Ben Roming, Robert Hunt, Houston Hart and Gerald Shanks for Community 'A'. Robert Kindie Jr., Joe Wheeler, Charles Latimer, W.T. Simpson and Delbert Watson for Community 'B' and Jimmy Cannon, L.H. Medlin Jr., W. Jerry Ray, Ivan L. Clawson and J.R. Teaff for Community 'C'.

### Gas...

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ciation had two primary concerns with the current legislation being proposed, and that the first was to amend the law so as to place agricultural gas in the category called by the current legislation "high priority use." The second major concern, continued Murrah, was an effort to exempt natural gas used for irrigation pumping and crop drying from an incremental pricing section contained in the legislation. He indicated that the thrust of the incremental pricing section was to encourage as many users as possible to convert to other alternate fuels in order to conserve natural gas, and that irrigation farmers should be exempt from that provision, since there is no alternate fuel available to irrigation farmers. He also stated that irrigation farmers had to have natural gas if they are to continue to irrigate, and at this point, it has been proven beyond any doubt before the Federal Power Commission in the curtailment proceedings in Washington in 1975.

The Association's Board of Directors, in a meeting in Plainview in late October, made plans to launch an all-out effort to challenge every irrigation farmer in the 14-county area to renew their membership by paying \$10 per well for each irrigation well. Each one of the 14 counties has its own organization, and membership in the Bailey County Irrigation Gas Users Association constitutes a membership in Plains Irrigation Gas Users Association.

The Bailey County Drive is being launched this month and the Gas User spokesmen said every effort will be made to have all irrigation farmers aware of the crucial situation and aware of the need to send representatives to Washington. They also cite the need to make every contact possible in an effort to secure the needed amendments in the federal energy legislation. Murrah also expressed the view that it would be most difficult to amend the energy legislation once it has been enacted into law. He also said it was important to protect natural gas for agriculture in the drafting of this legislation which is taking place in Washington at this time. Gilbert Dale is president of the Bailey County Gas Users Association and Murrah serves as secretary-treasurer.

Dear Santa Clause  
I want bike a basketball and calculator. And operation.

I love you, Susan Whatley

## Senator Tower Asks 'Written' Assurance

WASHINGTON—Senator John Tower (R-Tex) said in a statement released from his office today that he wanted more than verbal assurances from Washington that national health care guidelines would not force hospital closings in rural communities.

"We need action from Mr. Califano expressly modifying provision of the National Health Planning and Resources and Development Act which could severely alter the quality of health care for Texans by closing hospitals and forcing an exodus of physicians from rural communities," Tower said.

Tower's remarks came in response to recent assurances from the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare that the agency's proposed guidelines would not have the impact on small rural communities that critics of the guidelines have suggested.

"I think there are many Texans who have reservations about assurances and promises from Washington, especially after promises for natural gas deregulation during an election campaign were so quickly forgotten later," Tower said.

"Texans deserve the best health care possible and that does not include being victimized by an impersonal bureaucracy ignorant of local conditions and insensitive to the very real health needs of individuals," Tower said. "If HEW doesn't understand this fact and remedy the problems with its proposed health care guidelines, it will fall to those of us in the Congress to do so legislatively."

### Farmers...

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govern their actions in 1978 and future years.

The topics will be presented by local persons who can interpret the regulations as they will apply to the South Plains. Elbert Harp, Executive director of the Grain Sorghum Producers Association, will discuss the feed-grain provisions of the bill. Oscar "Cotton" Fanning, executive assistant of the Plains Cotton Growers, will take specifically about the cotton provisions. Marvin Sartin, area economist-management with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will present economic aspects of alternative farm organizations under the new law. A questions and answer period is scheduled to provide for individual discussions.

This program is sponsored by the South Plains Development (SPD) Program as a part of their Cotton PROFIT thrust through the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. The Grain Sorghum Producers Association and the Plains Cotton Grower, Inc. are cooperating in providing this information to South Plains residents.

Dear Santa Clause,  
I want a pool table and a dart board.

Yours truly,  
Ronnie Logsdon

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## Time For Crop, Livestock Survey

The time is again at hand for the major end-of-year crop and livestock survey. These surveys provide the basic data for final 1977 state and county estimates, points out Spencer Tanksley, county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

From now into early January, many Texas Farmers and ranchers will receive a questionnaire from the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service. Some will be interviewed personally by the field staff. Data collected in this survey will provide the most accurate and unbiased picture of agriculture that is available for each county and for Texas. Individual reports are held in strict confidence and can be used only for state and county estimates.

Remember, it's these statistics which serve as the basis for determining allotments and payment levels to producers under various commodity programs, notes Tanksley.

This year's survey carries with it two other significant features: (1) the current supply/demand situation facing agriculture makes it imperative that the true production conditions be known so that producers can make proper management decisions; and (2) 1977 marks a decade of cooperative effort of the Texas Department of Agriculture and the Statistical Reporting Service of the USDA in providing a more comprehensive program of statistics for Texas agriculture. Prior to 1968, estimates were available primarily on a state basis and did not include some minor commodities. Now, county estimates are released on all commodities.

Texas producers are encouraged to promptly and accurately complete the survey form to reduce survey costs and to provide for more reliable estimates of Texas agriculture. The next time you are inclined to say "I don't believe those government statistics," remember—they are only as good as you are in reporting the facts, emphasizes Tanksley.

Dear Santa,  
I want a brick race cars and a skateboard and a radio and basketball and a football.

Trading at home is still a matter of good business judgment.  
Andy



## Dear Santa

Rt. 5  
Muleshoe, Texas  
December 8, 1977  
Dear Santa Claus  
I want an electronic. I wish I can see you. Have a merry Christmas.

Love,  
Shannon  
1815 West Avenue B  
Muleshoe, Texas  
December 8, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a Easy-Bake-oven and to jumps suits. I love fish and that is what I want to have for a pet including Snoopy. And the last thing I want is a wonder Women doll I love you.

love,  
Glenda  
Rt. 3 Box 90  
Muleshoe, Texas 79347  
December 8, 1977

Dear Santa Clause  
I would like a new skateboard, a new 10 speed bike, and a new stocking and some pants and shirts.

I wish for my own chevrolet car when I get bigger and a Wonder Woman doll and my ears pierced, I hope you come on Christmas Eve.

Love,  
Jana  
424 Rt. Et. 40ht  
Muleshoe, Texas 79347

Dear Santa Claus  
I hope you come to our house. Can you bring a doll. I want a Donney And Marie I want a Bike to ride.

Love  
Evelia  
1701 West  
Muleshoe, Texas 79347  
December 8, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,  
Christmas is my second favorite holiday. I would like a skateboard, some lip gloss, two pairs of jeans, AM FM radio and a pocket knife.

Love  
Casey

1904 West Avenue H  
Muleshoe, Texas 79347  
December 8, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,  
I wish that you would bring me a football suit. I hope you will slide down our chimney and please bring me a basketball goal. I have to go now.

Love,  
Darren  
Rt. 5 Box 793  
Muleshoe Texas 79347  
December 8, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a green machine and a match box set and I would ask for more but I know you are busy so that is all I will ask for.

Love,  
Walter  
1560 West Avenue D  
Muleshoe Texas 79347  
December 8, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a doll and dishes for Christmas. I want a stove and I want a iron. or Christmas. Most of all I want a little bear.

Love,  
Pam  
806 W. Avenue D  
Muleshoe, TX 79347  
December 8, 1977

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a skateboard for Christmas and a football and a Dumb Ditties record.

Love,  
Antonio  
DeShazo School  
Muleshoe, Texas  
Zip 79347  
Dec. 8, 1977

Dear Santa,  
I want a game. Farrah Faucett Set. pants set, and I want a happy Christmas Day with everyone pleased with the gifts.

With love,  
Michelle Marie Perez

Dear Santa,  
I want a six million dollar man and a big foot and a match box full of hot wheels cars.

Yours truly,  
Lorenzo rodriguez  
1506 W. A D  
Muleshoe, Texas 79347  
December 8, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want watch and stove an Barbie and a skate board and like and a Farra Faucett Set and a Christmas Day

With love,  
Sylvia Jbarra

## Alcohol And Holidays Needs Good Plans

Giving a holiday party carries more responsibility than having enough to eat and drink. Hosts also are responsible to make sure guests have a good time and do not hurt themselves by driving home drunk, the Texas Medical Association says.

Providing plenty of snacks gives guests a chance to enjoy something besides drinking. Foods such as cheese, sour cream dip, meats, eggs and fresh vegetables can be used many ways to make tasty snacks. Any food, but especially high protein foods slow down the rate the body absorbs alcohol into the bloodstream.

About one out of three women and one out of four men do not drink alcohol at all. Many social drinkers prefer to have a choice between alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages. Hosts should have an alternative available such as punch, tea, coffee or soft drinks.

Non-alcoholic beverages also can slow down the body's alcohol absorption rate—except for carbonated beverages which speed up the rate. When the rate speeds up, people get drunk quicker.

Some hosts help guests get drunk by mixing doubles. Hosts may not realize that some guests like to pace their drinks and do not appreciate doubles.

But some guests do like to drink a lot and may have too much. Since it is his or her party, the hosts has the right to help the guests limit drinking to reasonable levels. Offering intoxicated guests a non-alcoholic drink can be a good subtle way to let them know that they are having too much. Or a host can offer to mix someone's next drink, make it light and bring some food back with it. The

least a host can do is to let glasses be empty awhile before refilling them or respect guests' wishes if they do not want more drinks.

When guests do get drunk, it is an extension of hospitality to arrange to give the people a ride home or let them stay overnight or until they are sober enough to drive well. Serving a substantial snack and closing the bar about an hour before the party ends can give guests a chance to sober up some. But time is the only real cure for intoxication. It takes roughly an hour for the body to get rid of the effects of one drink of almost any type alcoholic beverage.

Encouraging responsible drinking with tips like these and others from the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Information not only will make the trip home safer for guests but it will give them something to remember the party for other than embarrassing moments and hangovers.

Dear Santa,  
I hope you give me a white motorcycle suit with black lines. And a casset tape recorder.  
David Brown

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MRS. LON MUSICK

## Mrs. Lon Musick Honored With Shower

A bridal shower honored Mrs. Lon Musick, the former Irene Copley, Monday evening, December 12, in the Tri-County Savings and Loan community room.

The serving table was laid with a white lace cutwork cloth over blue and white. A white crystal chandelier with painted red and blue roses was used as the centerpiece. A white cake trimmed in blue and blue interlocking hearts was served with nuts,

minis and pine-apple punch from crystal appointments by Mrs. John Copley and Mrs. Joe Copley.

Special guests of the honoree was her mother, Mrs. W.T. Copley of Muleshoe. They were presented corsages of blue carnations with kitchen utensils.

Hostess gifts were a canister set and stainless steel cookware.

Hostess for the occasion were Miss Deanna Smith, Mrs. Jerry Copley, Mrs. Joe Copley, Mrs.

## Xi Omicron Xi Members Christmas Dinner Set

Members of Xi Omicron Xi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Tuesday, December 6, in the home of Mrs. Ken Box, Mrs. Don Rempe was co-hostess.

A report was given by the Ways and Means Chairman, Mrs. Ken Box, on the Christmas Home Tour. Roger Albertson won the Christmas Centerpiece that was given as a door prize. Xi Omicron president, Mrs. Eric Smith and Xi members express their appreciation to the home

owners who cooperated in the Home Tour and to those who attended.

Mrs. Tom Jinks reported that approximately \$250 had been collected for Cystic Fibrosis. Members of the FHA chapter at Muleshoe High School assisted in the drive.

For a Christmas service project, Xi Omicron Xi will sponsor the Christmas party for Mrs. Tom Jinks' class at Richland Hills. The members also voted to give \$50 to the Hospital Auxiliary Christmas card project and to do something for the Muleshoe Nursing Home residents.

Xi Omicron Xi members, husbands, and guests are planning a progressive Christmas dinner for December 20. The dinner will be held in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Joe King, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Pummill, and Mr. and Mrs. Eric Smith.

Following the business meeting, Mrs. Tom Jinks and Mrs. Mike Miller presented the program "Self-Analysis," with all members participating.

At the close of the meeting, refreshments of cheese balls, rum cake, cider and iced tea were served by the hostesses to Mrs. John Neil Agee, Mrs. Tommy Black, Mrs. Monty Dollar, Mrs. Bob Finney, Mrs. Marcia Henry, Mrs. Tom Jinks, Mrs. Max King, Mrs. Mike Miller, Mrs. Paul Poyner, Mrs. Eric Smith, Mrs. Spencer Tankley, and Mrs. Doyce Turner.

Some people say too much by saying little.

John Copley, Mrs. Richard Stodal, Mrs. Richard Puckett, Miss Doris Barthoff, Mrs. Gary Pope, and host Bill Copley.



### John B Horne

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Horne of Houston are the proud parents of a baby boy born November 23 in Houston. The couple have one other son, Anderson Horne.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lee Pool of Muleshoe. Mrs. Horne is the former Sylvia Pool.

### Marie Sol Godinez

Mr. and Mrs. Armando Godinez of Muleshoe are the proud parents of a baby girl born December 8 at 9:55 p.m. in West Plains Medical Center. The baby weighed seven pounds and six ounces and was named Marie Sol Godinez.

### Larry Don Wauson

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wauson of Muleshoe are the proud parents of a baby boy born December 9, at 2:41 a.m. in West Plains Medical Center. The baby weighed seven pounds and eleven ounces and was named Larry Don Wauson. The couple have one other son, Steven.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Ziegenfuss of Muleshoe and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. E.R. Wauson of Plains, Tex.

## Epsilon Delta Holds Meeting

Epsilon Delta chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha met Tuesday, December 6, at the home of Mrs. Richard Kimbrough.

The Advent Wreath and Christmas Story was presented by Mrs. Jack Rennels.

Christmas ice cream rolls, cheese balls, popcorn balls, spiced tea and strawberry punch were served to Mrs. Jerry Harrison, Mrs. Jerry Gregory, Mrs. Jack Rennels, Mrs. Hugh Young, Miss Virginia Bowers, Mrs. Andy Douglas, Mrs. John Blackwell, Miss Judy Lambert, Mrs. Kay Swint and Mrs. Richard Kimbrough.

## West Plains Medical Center Briefs

### ADMISSIONS

December 8: Mary Elva Teague and Susan Rice.

December 9: Howard Manasco, Trevor Dyer, Tiffany Glascock, Mary Evelyn Wauson, Kaye Burge, Carrol Merrell, Sharon Walker, Brant Scheller and B.F. Murdock.

December 10: Janice Ivy

December 11: Bobbie Bryant, Nan Gatlin, Carmen Porras and Mildred Andrews.

December 12: Victoria Duarte, Weldon Dean Gage and S.A. Lambert.

### DISMISSALS

December 9: Windy Carpenter, Joe Lee Truelock, Elizabeth Lopez, Santiago Lira, Hill Johnson, Earl Parrish and Karen Black.

December 10: Trevor Dyer, Tiffany Glascock, Romeo Toscano, Mary Evelyn Wauson, Howard Manasco, Mildred McDaniel and Ophelia Godinez.

December 12: Brant Scheller and Kaye Burge.



MR. AND MRS. CLIFFORD SNITKER

## Enochs Couple Feted With Reception Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Snitker of Enochs celebrated their 50 wedding anniversary Sunday, December 11. The reception was held at the Bla-Enochs Community Center. Their children, Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Snitker of Enochs, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Snitker of Hart, and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Snitker of Perryton hosted the occasion.

The serving table was laid with a lace cloth over blue and decorated with gold silk flowers and candles. A white three-tiered wedding cake decorated in blue rose buds and topped with gold wedding bells was served. The granddaughters, Mrs. Ronnie Gilbert and Judy Snitker served the cake and gold frosted punch. Milisa and Shaun Snitker and Maribell registered the 103 guests and handed out the guests favorites.

The couples sons, J.C., Curtis and Stanley greeted the guests. Out of town guests were Mrs. Snitker's sister, Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Foster of Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Hoyt of Childress, her brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Ike Shults of Levelland, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Shults of Sundown, her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Dewie Johnson of Roswell. Other relatives were Mr. and

Mrs. Velrand Lavell of Brownfield, Carrol Peck of Levelland, friends Mr. and Mrs. Claud Coffman and Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Speck and Sandra of Muleshoe. Mrs. Alberta Bryant of Littlefield and Mrs. Doris Childers.

## Golden Gleams

A man in good health is always full of advice to the sick.

-Menander.

Life is not merely being alive, but being well.

-Martial.

Health and an able body are two jewels.

-John Fletcher.

I have good health, good thoughts, and good humor, thanks be to God Almighty.

-William Byrd.

Health and cheerfulness mutually beget each other.

-Joseph Addison.

Health without wealth is half a sickness.

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MRS. ETHEL HARDING

## Oldest Student To Graduate Friday

PORTALES -- Ethel Harding, Eastern New Mexico University's oldest active student at age 82, will participate in graduation exercise during the University's fall commencement Friday, December 16.

Currently completing a bachelor of university studies degree, Mrs. Harding enrolled at Eastern six years ago and was awarded an associate of arts degree in general education in the spring of 1976.

"I thought I could do better than obtain an associate's de-

gree," explains Eastern's determined student. "I like to keep my mind busy and really enjoy going to school and learning."

Mrs. Harding commutes 60 miles from her hometown of Farwell, Tex., to Portales, N.M. on class days and notes that she quit school at age 16 to get married. She received and education through the eighth grade and eventually passed and exam for a high school diploma.

"I became old to quick," said

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Never expect good luck to make up for loafing.

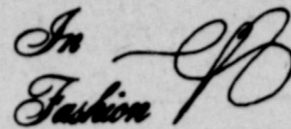
## All American Girl Pageant Scheduled For Dallas

On June 13-15, a host of talented young women will compete for the coveted title of Texas' All American Girl. The pageant is scheduled to be held in Dallas at the Downtown Holiday Inn. The All American Girl Pageant is unique in that it is one of the few pageants in existence that covers such a wide range of age groups.

Categories are the All American Tot - ages three to six; All American Little Miss - ages seven to nine; All American Miss - ages ten to 12; All American Teen - ages 13-17; and the All American Girl - ages 18-26.

Girls in the age groups of three to 12 will compete with street length party dress, sportswear, and close-up appraisal. Girls in the age group of 13-26 will be judged in evening gown, sportswear, and close-up appraisal. All girls except the three to six year olds will be

Mrs. Harding, who plans to travel to the Holy Land and Mexico. "Attending college has kept me going and I have truly enjoyed it. I only wish everyone would see the value of a good education and take advantage of it."



The overweight woman should be careful about her skirts--the pleated skirt is not for her or the full skirt gathered around the waistline--stick to the straight or gored number.

The woman who needs to shed a few pounds looks good in jacket dresses but she should be sure to have the jacket length the one that looks best on her--not the one that is "in" for the season.

## Piano Students View Christmas Concert

The piano and organ pupils of Mrs. Sam Damron were treated to a trip to Lubbock Sunday afternoon, December 4, to hear the Children's Christmas Concert, presented by the Texas Tech Symphony Orchestra.

One of the highlights of the performance was a number called "The Worried Drummer", in which Ron Dyer, chairman of the Percussion Department at Texas Tech, played the whole percussian section that is usually handled by four or five musicians. He used bells in his teeth, played the base drums with his feet and alternated with his hands on the other instruments, including the kettle drums, snare drums, zylaphone, tamborine, triangle and blocks. Mrs. Damron's pupils all received his autograph at the end of the concert.

After the concert, the group were treated to hamburgers and trimmings by Mrs. Damron. This was the group's Christmas party this year.

Those pupils attending were Jana Renner, Pat O'Grady,

Sherri Stovall, Michelle Agee, Beth Harmon, Ken Craft, Glen Craft, Timmy Craft, Lisa Hamilton, Sherri Bessire, Mary Kathrine Flowers, Jan Whitt, Casey King, Marleca Cox, Kelly Hamblen, Keve Roming, and Todd Schroeder, pupil of Kathy Jahay. Mothers accompanying the group were Mrs. Ben Roming, Mrs. O'Grady and Mrs. Jimmy Craft.

## Lewis Shafer To Be Honored

A Come and Go party will be held Sunday, December 18, from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. in honor of Lewis Shafer. The reception will be held at Shafer's Gin Office, west of Baileyboro.

Shafer will be celebrating his 73 birthday. He has been owner of the Shafer's Gin for the past 29 years. He recently sold the gin this past summer.

He is also an active businessman in several Muleshoe firms.



CHRISTMAS PROGRAM...The second grade students of Richland Hills will present "Jolly Santa Claus" Wednesday, December 21, at

2 p.m. in the cafeteria of Richland Hills Elementary. Mrs. Tom Jinks is directing the musical program.

## WHO KNOWS?

1. What is the monthly foreign trade deficit?
2. How many U.S. dams are considered dangerous?
3. Which U.S. state borders on four Great Lakes?
4. When does winter begin?
5. With what war does Homer's "Iliad" deal?
6. Is the Golden Rule in the Bible?
7. What does it mean if a person dies "intestate"?
8. Where and when was the first powered flight?
9. What took place Dec. 23, 1968?
10. How many U.S. Presidents were born in Dec.?

### Answers To Who Knows

1. Averages \$2.4 billion.
2. About 9000.
3. Michigan.
4. Dec. 21, 6:24 pm EST.
5. The Greek-Trojan war.
6. Yes, Matthew 7:12.
7. One dies without a will.
8. At Kitty Hawk, N.C., Dec. 17, 1903.
9. "U.S. Pueblo" men released.
10. Three: Van Buren, Andrew Johnson and Wilson.

## "Jolly Santa Claus" Scheduled By Second Graders Wednesday

The second grade students of Richland Hills Elementary School will present a Christmas program, "Jolly Santa Claus" under the supervision of Mrs. Tom Jinks and other teachers. The program will be presented

to the parents and public Wednesday, December 21, at 2:00 p.m. in the Richland Hills cafeteria.

The musical story of a modern family on Christmas Eve will include come-to-life toys, a par-

ade of marching soldiers, dancing candlesticks, dancing dolls, sparkling snowflakes, lollipops singing "Good Ship Lollipop" and Mother Goose nursery characters.

## BIBLE VERSE

"But thou, Bethlehem, Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel: whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting."

1. Who wrote the above prophecy?
2. Of whom was he speaking?
3. When did his prophecy come to pass?
4. Where may these words be found?

### Answers To Bible Verse

1. The Prophet Micah.
2. Of Christ.
3. At his birth in Bethlehem.
4. Micah 5:2.

## LOUISA'S LETTER

Dear Louisa,

We have a very large family and it grows larger each year--however, we enjoy getting together during the holidays and we have worked out our plans so that it is not one person's responsibility. Each family brings a card table and cloth for their children and their part of the dinner. When the meal is finished the different ones get rid of the food, rinse their dishes and pack them up to take home. Some use plastic plates and put them in the garbage.

The only thing that worries me is the gifts. This part of the occasion has become a headache when there are so many relatives to shop for. Don't you think it would be

better if we cut out gifts altogether?

Tired Shopper--La.

Answer:

Many large families continue giving to one another but they limit the cost and the number of gifts. One family I know confines their giving to the children in the family--others draw names and one person gives a gift to the person whose name he has drawn.

I don't think that your Christmas Day would be quite as happy if you cut out giving altogether.

Louisa

Address letters: Louisa, Box 532, Orangeburg, S.C. 29115

## Today's Couples Take More Mini-Honeymoons

COLLEGE STATION -- Married couples, take more honeymoons to strengthen the closeness that is basic to most of today's marriages--and to cope with it, advises Dorothy Taylor, a family life education specialist. Closeness creates its own complexities, so to make today's marriage successful, partners must learn two vital skills--how to communicate openly and resolve conflicts, she says.

Miss Taylor is with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

In developing the two skills, partners must be aware that marriage, especially in today's society, is an ever-changing process, rather than a permanent state. Throughout marriage, each basic human need will require new efforts, she says.

### HONEYMOONS ALLOW CLOSENESS

To help gain the important experience need for developing these skills, she recommends mini-honeymoons, noting that some marriage specialists suggest as many as three a year.

"Mini-honeymoons mean taking time to remain lovers and revitalize the intimate relationship of husband and wife without the children.

"Honeymoons free a couple from the pressures of being mother or father.

"This is important because most couples will be partners two or three times as many years as they will be parents actively involved in rearing children," the specialist explains.

### TODAY'S MARRIAGES DIFFER FROM PAST

Today's marriages are different from traditional marriages of the past, so of course they require different skills, Miss Taylor emphasizes.

"The traditional marriage of a century ago has all but vanished--in this country particularly.

"In the past, marriage was primarily an economic and procreative alliance in which the sex roles were rigidly fixed and the husband was in charge. These marriages were often held together by a sense of duty than by love or commitment.

"Today's marriages tend to be friendlier and warmer. Most men and women marry because they love each other, enjoy each other's company and want to share their lives in an intimate way," she says.

### OLD MYTHS HURT TODAY'S MARRIAGES

However, widespread myths--perhaps held over from the past--have stood in the way of many couples' enjoyment of marriage, Miss Taylor points out.

One is the belief that marriage is instinctual and natural for human beings so there is no need to learn any special ways of handling it.

Another is that the wedding ushers bride and groom into a permanent state rather than an ever-changing process.

Also, the new state is regarded as a very private one, about which even minor difficulties are never revealed to other people.

Because of those myths most couples are ashamed to admit problems, so many of them either go unsolved or are left to steep and build in pressure, the specialist says.

"Despite mutual affection and a genuine desire to build a good marriage, a husband and wife often find their small problems growing into larger ones.

They may settle for a superficial, bland relationship in which they paper over the difficulties with daily routines. They may become cynical about the possibilities of fulfillment in marriage and accept their dissatisfactions as par for the course.

"Or their unhappiness may eventually drive them to seek professional help--perhaps too late to save the marriage and certainly too late to wipe out the pain that has gone before," Miss Taylor adds.

### HONEYMOONS -- STRATEGY FOR STRENGTH

Instead couples should design a "preventive strategy" to build up the strengths each partner brought to the relationship and to equip themselves with skills for coping with problems. Mini-honeymoons help insure a rewarding continuously working strategy, she says.

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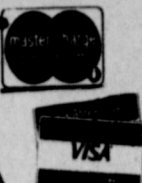
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## COTTON TALKS

FROM PLAINS COTTON GROWERS, INC.

Does the target price on cotton, wheat and feed grains for 1978 really guarantee a farmer anything? Is there a chance that target price payments will be made on 1978 crops? How and when can a farmer know how much of his total 1978 production will be eligible for either disaster or target price payments?

Farmers who can't answer these questions "aren't ready to make planting decisions for 1978," says Donald Johnson, Executive Vice President of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Lubbock.

To provide all available information related to the 1978 farm program, PCG is cooperating with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Grain Sorghum Producers Association, also of Lubbock, in staging a series of three meetings on the High Plains in December.

Meetings will begin at 1:15 p.m. at the Community Center in Lamesa on Wednesday, December 14; at the Agriculture Center in Plainview on Thursday, December 15, and at the Plains Cooperative Oil Mill in Lubbock on Friday, December 16.

All who are interested in agriculture are invited to attend and take part in discussions, according to District Extension Agent Billy Gunter.

Elbert Harp, Executive Director of GSPA will explain and answer questions on the feed grain section of the Agriculture Act of 1977. Oscar (Cotton) Fanning, PCG Executive Assistant will lead discussions on cotton program provisions, and Marvin Sartin, Extension Service Economist and Management Specialist will discuss the economics of cropping alternatives under the new law.

"The Act of 1977 is not as easily understood as some we've had before," says Johnson, "but the dollars-and-cents importance of understanding it is just as great if not greater than ever.

"The allotment system is a complete departure from what we've become accustomed to, and will involve such strange terms as National Program Acreage, National Reduction Percentage and Normal Cropland Acreage, all of which will be confusing to producers until fully understood," the PCG official points out.

There have also been changes in the workings of the disaster program and new regulations are in the making for the designation, care, use and cross compliance aspects of required set-aside acreage.

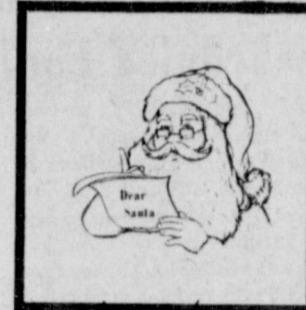
And, although not new, since the target price method of supporting prices has not been a factor in cotton revenue income since its inception in 1974, "many producers still have something less than a clear conception of how it works and how they may benefit from it," Johnson stated.

Mary De Shazo  
Muleshoe, Texas 79347  
December 8, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,  
For Christmas I want a skateboard with all the equipment. And I want a racing car set that costs about \$19.88. I also want a calculator. And I also want a star wars push button watch. That's All  
Yours Truly,  
Loy Triana



**CAR HITS BUILDING**--This Friday night wreck left no injuries, when Mike Henry lost control of the vehicle on West 20th Street, leaving the street and running into one portion of an apartment complex under construction. Damaged was the porch and one wall of the building.



Dear Santa Claus  
Santa Claus I want you to bring a Lite Brite, some roller skates, a watch some earrings and rings some necklaces and what ever else you want to Santa Claus.  
Maria Medina

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me anything left over and remember my sister mother, Grandmother and Grandfather.  
Love  
Joy Gilbert

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like to have a typewriter and a doll. a doctor set.  
Love  
Marcia Blackwell

Dear Santa Claus,  
I'm 11 years old now. I would like to have a doll. Some clothes.  
Love,  
Melanie Blackwell

Dear Santa,  
I want a racing track and a clock and a digital watch that's all I want.  
Alex S. Laredo

Dear Santa  
I want a bike, for christmas, and games lots more things. I have been acting very nice.  
I love you  
Cynthia Ann Reyna

Dear Santa,  
I would like a game called Twister some gochos and some Elvis records.  
I love you  
Love Renee' Ellen Copley

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Love Renee' Ellen Copley

Dear Santa,  
I want a football and a coat for my Mom and a clock for my dad.  
from Jose Lopez to Santa

508 East 3rd  
Muleshoe, Texas 79347  
December 8, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,  
I wish for Charles Angels doll and a Baby That a-way doll and a tensesped bike. I wish for a belt.  
Love Socorro

1902 West Avenue B  
Muleshoe Texas

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a racing track, and a 10 speed bike, and a Football and kicking tee, and a B-B gun I kicking tee, and a B-B gun I wish you would come in Christmas,  
Love Roy

Rt. 2 Box 26  
Muleshoe, Texas 79347  
December 8, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a football and a kicking tee and a bike and a Volleyball and a six million Dollar man and a bike and a green machine.  
Love Genars

1801 West Ave. 1  
Muleshoe, Texas 79347  
December 8, 1977

dear Santa Claus,  
I wish you would bring me a sizzler 2 and I want a lucky longhorn made of rocks, and a drum set to. Come down our chimney, and tell Rudolph hello. I want some play guns and a magic set. And I hope you have a good time. I wish you would bring me a dear knife.  
Love  
Greg

Rt. 3  
Muleshoe, Texas  
December 8, 1977

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a racing set and I want a knife and I want a wrist radio and I want a electrohio plane. I want a Dallas Cowboy football suit and I want you to have a merry Christmas Santa Claus.  
Love  
Michael

Box 182  
Muleshoe, Texas 79347  
December 8, 1977

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a fiber glass skateboard, and a bike, and I would like a roadpassen and a tensesped  
Love  
Gregory

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# Winter Recreation Requires Preparation

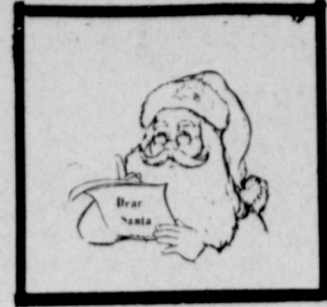
COLLEGE STATION—Even though Texas has a reputation of mild winters, recreationists should be aware that variances are significant enough to warrant special preparation. "There are two myths concerning winter recreation in Texas," according to Pat Taylor and Bob Evans. "One is that winters are mild enough to not require special preparation for outdoor recreation activities; the other is that there is no opportunity for 'snowbelt' recreation. Taylor is a recreation and parks specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Evans is a trail and waterway planner with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. River recreationists, for example, should not assume that the same casual dress and behavior

used on a canoe trip in July can be applied in January, note Taylor and Evans. Water levels on Texas' rivers often are higher in the winter while water temperatures are considerably lower. The results of a spill could be more disastrous if one has not taken the precaution of packing extra clothes and matches in a sealed container (a double plastic trash bag will do). The risk of hypothermia (severe lowering of body temperature) is much greater in winter, particularly in the spring-fed streams and rivers of Central and West Texas. The risk becomes quite serious when water temperatures nears 50 degrees. F. or lower. As far as the snowbelt myth is concerned, Texas winters do offer opportunities for hiking, snow-shoeing, ice skating or cross county skiing, point out the two recreation specialists. While long-lasting or severe cold is not dependable, it is not uncommon either, particularly west of a line from Wichita Falls to Del Rio. Ice skating is the most risky activity, of course, and should not be done unless one has the knowledge and equipment for measuring thickness and strength of the ice. Recreationists in the mountain country and in the Panhandle-South Plains region of the state normally have several opportunities each winter to ski tour, even if they never leave a city park or the neighborhood. "With a little more commitment, coupled with at least a three-inch base, some interesting back country may be explored on snowshoes or cross country skis. Even if the country isn't interesting or new, the skiing is fun," say Taylor and

Evans. "Obviously, the deeper the base, the better the traveling." As for the cold weather camping, they both agree that the same basic equipment utilized in the summer will suffice, with the possible exception of a slightly heavier sleeping bag. Recreationists west of the Wichita Falls-Del Rio line, however, should be prepared for the severe cold which is typical of winter in the desert, mountains and plains. "In the region campers and day-use visitors alike should make preparations similar to a trip to the Rockies. In fact, with the fast movement of the Arctic cold fronts, coupled with the extreme variances normally found in desert settings, daily temperature ranges may be greater than those of the higher mountains," point out Taylor and Evans. Traditional recreation activities such as swimming, canoeing and picnicking are seasonal in Texas. However, as social pat-

terns change, such as year-round schools and the subsequent spreading of family vacation periods from summer to a twelve-month basis, more Texas recreationists will discover that many summer activities can be carried into the cooler months. They will also discover that while Texas has little potential to develop a significant winter recreation industry, parts of the state do offer occasional opportunity for winter enjoyment without the expense of out-of-state travel. Note the two recreation officials.

Dear Santa,  
I hope you will give me what I want.  
A sarsky and Hutch shirt, pair of white boots, pair of socks, a watch, jaws game, a Kamart Truck, Emergency game, motor cycle shirt.  
We will leave some milk and cookies on our table  
Love  
Lary O. Martin J.R.



Balty Buentello  
Dear Santa claus  
Please bring me some shoe skates, a typewriter, and amy friend mandy doll.  
I have been a good girl.  
I Love you  
Dayna

Dear Santa  
I want some dolls for Christmas, and I want a typewriter, and lots more thing.  
I Love you  
Lisa Reyna

Dear Santa Claus,  
Im writing this few lines just to tell you to bring me a bottle of Perfum and some toys for my baby sister, and my whol family.  
Thank you  
Connie Gomez

Luv yu,  
Truly

**STATE CAPITAL**  
**Highlights**  
**AND Sidelights**  
by Lyndell Williams

AUSTIN—Another type of insurance rates—on products liability—may be soaring soon.

"Premiums are beginning to go up. I can't tell from talking to my staff whether they are skyrocketing, but the fuse is lit," State Insurance Board Chairman Hugh Yantis told a House Joint Committee on Products Liability.

The committee, which held a hearing here last week, is seeking means to curb the rates and make coverage easily available.

Yantis suggested one way to hold the line would be to limit the length of time a manufacturer can be held liable for injuries due to use of faulty products.

Ed Clay, a Grand Prairie truck bodies and equipment manufacturer, said products liability insurance he paid \$600 for in 1973 (on \$300,000 limits) now costs him \$29,000 (for \$500,000 in coverage), although his sales have not increased.

Both Yantis and Clay suggested the legislature should consider whether a person hurt by equipment should be able to collect both workers' compensation and damages for products liability.

Yantis said insurance companies are increasing rates and limiting coverage because they are afraid of what may happen in future cases, although they have no reliable data concerning losses.

"We have a lot of philosophizing to do that hasn't been done about the extent to which manufacturers should be held liable for accidents involving their products," Yantis told the committee.

**Appointments Announced**

Gov. Dolph Briscoe named Wilbur C. Davis of Bryan, 85th district judge, and Jim Vollers of Austin, state prosecuting attorney, as new judges of the Court of Criminal Appeals. A constitutional amendment recently increased the size of the court. Two commissioners on the court, Tom G. Davis and Carl E. F. Dally, also are automatically elevated to full judgeships by the amendment.

Mrs. Connie L. Jackson of Dallas was designated by Supreme Court Chief Justice Joe R. Greenhill as a member of the Board of Pardons and Paroles, succeeding the late Selma Wells of Houston.

Briscoe reappointed Don R. Workman of Lubbock and Ruben Schaeffer of El Paso to Texas Youth Council.

The governor selected 17 Texans to take part in the White House Conference on Balanced National Growth and Economic Development next month in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Wayne J. Thorburn, 33, an assistant professor of political science at Arkansas State University, has been named executive director of the Texas Republican Party.

Galveston lawyer William Rider is a new member of the Board of Private Investigators and Private Security Agencies.

**UT Fund Continues Growth**

Another record sale of state land leases added \$17.8 million to The University of Texas Permanent University Fund.

The sale broke the old record of \$16.3 million set in June 1956.

Land Commissioner Bob Armstrong attributed renewed interest to higher prices now being paid for intra-state gas and possible higher inter-state prices under consideration by a House-Senate conference committee in Washington.

**Among the Texas Courts**

The Third Court of Civil Appeals turned down Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's request to throw out the new Public Utility Commission rate-making formula for telephone service. PUC approved a \$57.8 million rate hike last year—\$173 million less than Bell sought.

The Court of Criminal Appeals reversed a death penalty conviction of a Gatesville man in a murder case and ordered a new trial.

The same court also reversed an Odessa marijuana life sentence on grounds the trial court refused to hear testimony aimed at challenging a key state witness.

The Texas Supreme Court agreed to hear a controversy over interest rates on almost \$10 million worth of judgments in Houston and Dallas courts.

State Attorney General John Hill called on the U.S. Supreme Court to nullify a Federal Power Commission ruling which would force sale of more Texas natural gas out of state.

**Attorney General Opinions**

Texas Historical Commission may promulgate a rule providing for a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of chairman and make it applicable to the term of the present chairman Attorney General Hill has held. In the absence of such a rule, the opinion concluded, the agency's vice-chairman should serve as acting chairman.

In another recent opinion, Hill determined Harris County justices of the peace are not required by statute to publish semi-annual status reports on their revenues and activities. He said a new law on the subject is applicable only to the city of Fort Worth.

Hill also concluded a person may serve as both a member of Camp Wood city council and as a trustee of the Southwest Texas Joint County Junior College.

**Short Snorts**

Gov. Dolph Briscoe has called on Texas law enforcement officials to help develop a new crime control program for legislative consideration in 1979.

Federal officials have given assurances new regulations won't force closing of Texas hospitals and clinics.

An investigating team is seeking to determine if millions in University of Houston funds were improperly invested.

Texas apparel industry employment has expanded 39.2 per cent in a decade, according to Texas Business Review.

A new seven-member Emergency Energy Preparedness Committee has been established to plan for meeting winter fuel shortages.

The National Weather Service has given its public service award to the Texas Hurricane Awareness Program, sponsored jointly by the Texas Coastal and Marine Council, the Governor's Division of Disaster Emergency Services and the Texas Catastrophe Property Insurance Association.

# Christmas Shopping

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REG \$28.97 **\$15.99**

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### DPS Figures 71 Deaths In Holidays

AUSTIN-Colonel Wilson E. Speir, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, today estimated that traffic accidents in Texas during the combined Christmas and New Year weekends will claim 71 lives.

He noted, however, that some of the deaths could be prevented if motorists would drive carefully and participate in the state's "Light the Way for a Safe Holiday" program.

Speir said 41 deaths are likely to occur in the Christmas period from 6 p.m. Friday, December 23, through midnight Monday, December 26.

Another 30 traffic fatalities are estimated for New Year holiday which extends from 6 p.m. Friday, December 30, through midnight Monday, January 2, 1978.

The "Light the Way for a Safe Holiday" program calls on all motorists in Texas to drive with their low-beam headlights turned on in the daytime, as well as at night, during the Christmas and New Year weekends.

"We feel this 'Light the Way'

program, particularly with wide spread participation on the part of drivers, will serve as a very meaningful reminder to others to drive safely," Speir said.

The DPS director observed that traffic deaths in Texas are currently running about 11 percent over 1976, with much of this increase caused by the fact that three out of four motorists are violating the 55 mile speed limit.

"On the interstate highways where nine out of ten vehicles exceed 55, traffic fatalities are up approximately 47 percent from a year ago," the DPS director added.

During the "Light the Way for a Safe Holiday" program, Speir urged motorists to hold their speed down and refrain from drinking if driving. He also urged drivers to keep their vehicles under control at all times and avoid following too closely.

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If you want to be happy, never set your mind upon anything which is in the power of others to withhold.



FFA ROYALTY—Pictured are Candy Moore, District FFA Sweetheart and Mark Mimms, District I FFA President, both of Lazbuddie High School. Candy, the 17-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Moore, was voted sweetheart from a field of 16 candidates. Mark, the 17 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Mimms, was voted District I FFA president, earlier this fall.

### American Agriculture Movement

The American Agriculture movement was conceived to preserve the family farm system, the most efficient food producing unit in this nation. We have little time left as more than 25% of farmers and ranchers will be forced to either liquidate or refinance their operations this year. We have lost equity and enormous sums of money for the last four years, and we are now on the verge of bankruptcy. Unless something is done, only big money entities, or possibly the government, will be left to produce the food.

The American Agriculture movement is not another farm organization. There are no memberships, dues, secretaries, or presidents. We are a group of individual farmers, ranchers, and agribusinessmen, unified together in order to achieve the fair price of 100% parity for all agricultural products.

The American people today pay only 16.8% of their total disposable income for food. The people of other nations purchase food in a relatively raw state yet these nations spend a minimum of 28% of their income for food. By achieving parity pricing, it will increase the percentage by 3.1% to a total only of 19.1%. This is by far the cheapest and best food in the world. By eliminating speculation, boom and bust from the market, and excessive profits from some middlemen, we can achieve parity and raise the price to consumers very little. The 3.1% shift of total disposable income is only a small shift in priority, but means the difference between existence and non-existence of the family farms.

We do not want government subsidies. At this time we are actually subsidizing this nation and the world with cheap food and fiber. For each unit of agriculture products produced, the American farmer and rancher must put part of his equity with it when it is sold and consumed. It would be the same as a laboring person receiving no payment for his work each week and instead, having to pay \$100 from his own pocket for the privilege of having that job.

We are a minority of people, less than 4% of the population, and consequently have no political voting power. We are tired of government dominance, speculation, manipulation, and big money influence in our market place. In 1973 when cattle prices were close to parity, the government put on a price freeze. In 1974 the government said plant "fence row to fence row", and we could sell these products to hungry nations. We planted fence row to fence row and an export embargo was placed on agricultural products which destroyed our market and created a surplus. This cost the American producer and the American economy billions of dollars. Whether we like it or not, we no longer have a free market system. We can no longer exist with those types of manipulations. Our only hope is to tie Agriculture prices to the parity concept through law.

When we speak of parity, we are not speaking of a guaranteed income. All parity insures is a fair price. In order to achieve an income, we still have to produce. The risks of droughts, floods, hail, pests, and management still make production a very risky undertaking.

Furthermore, parity pricing would insure a thriving agricultural sector which would revitalize the entire economy. If we would have had 100% parity instead of 63% in 1976, cash receipts from agriculture would have increased from \$95 billion to approximately \$150 billion dollars. This is new wealth injected into the national economy and is renewable each year. Tax rebates and other efforts to boost the economy and reduce unemployment have had limited success.

#### FARMERS REJECT THE CURRENT FARM PROGRAM. INSTEAD, WE DEMAND:

1. 100% of parity for all domestically used or consumed agricultural products.
2. 100% of parity for all foreign exports of agricultural products.
3. All agricultural products produced for national and international food reserve shall be contracted by any or all governments at 100% parity.
4. Creation of an entity or structure with inputs from farmers to handle marketing of American Agricultural products of 100% parity.
5. Meat and livestock imports must be stopped until parity prices are reached. Unless these demands are met by midnight, December 13, 1977, the following measures will be implemented:

1. WE WILL NOT SELL ANY FARM PRODUCTS.
  2. WE WILL NOT PRODUCE ANY MORE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.
  3. WE WILL NOT BUY ANY AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT, PRODUCTION SUPPLIES OR NON-ESSENTIAL PRODUCTS. Our farm proposals are reasonable. Our goals are obtainable. Our ultimatum is justified. We ask your support. Strike for your homes, farms and ranches and businesses. Strike with the same dedication you have long employed to make this the greatest food-producing nation the world has ever known.
    1. Disperse handbills...talk to your neighbors.
    2. Park your tractors and other farm equipment with a sign saying that we will strike on December 14, 1977, for 100% parity. Park the tractors on private property next to the highway, not on the highway or right of way.
- WE WILL NOT ADVOCATE VIOLENT ACTION. WE WILL NOT CONDONE VIOLENCE, BUT WE WILL STRIKE...

#### AMERICAN AGRICULTURE PRODUCERS REJECT the current farm program and instead DEMAND the following:

1. 100% of parity for all domestic and foreign used and/or consumed agricultural products.
2. All agricultural products produced for national or international food reserve shall be contracted at 100% of parity.
3. Creation of an entity or structure composed of agricultural producers to devise and approve policies that affect agriculture.
4. Imports of all agricultural products which are domestically produced must be stopped until 100% of parity price is reached. Thereafter, imports must be limited to the amount that the American producers cannot supply.
5. All announcements pertaining to any agricultural producing cycle shall be made far enough in advance that the producer will have adequate time to make needed adjustments in his operation.

These demands dictate the need for possible production and marketing curtailments that will allow supplies to match demand. We are willing to accept these conditions. All commodity groups will participate in the formulation of policies from the local level that affect their respective commodity.

Unless our demands are met by midnight, December 13, 1977, we will be forced to implement the following measures:

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This ad paid for by M.G. Killough

### Enochs News By Mrs. J.D. Bayless

There will be a Community Christmas party Saturday, Dec. 17, at 7:30 p.m. at the Bula-Enochs Community Center everyone bring an exchange gift. Limit price is \$2.50 and bring some Christmas goodies to serve. Everyone is invited.

Mrs. Winnie Byars and Mrs. Guy Sanders visited Mrs. Alma Altman Thursday at the Littlefield hospital where she is still a patient.

Bryan Roberts broke his nose Wednesday while playing touchball.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Layton's home Friday night and Saturday night were Dr. and Mrs. Gerald Johnson of Kermit and their children, Mr. and Mrs. Teddie Johnson of El Paso, Jerry and Sue Johnson of Alpine, Texas. The Johnson family were dinner guests in the J.W. Layton home Saturday. The men went pheasant hunting Saturday.

Gary Nichols and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Nichols also Harold Dean Nichols of Idalou, spent Wednesday till Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Nichols at Heneretta, Okla. and did some hunting while there.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E.M. Autry Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. W.T. Autry from Dimmitt.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Snitker during the weekend, were their children, and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Snitker and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Gilbert, Mrs. Judy Snitker, Robert and Maribell, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Snitker and children of Hart, TX. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Snitker and daughters, Her sister Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Foster of Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Dewie Johnson of Roswell, Mr. and Mrs. Ike Shults of Leveland, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Shults, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Layton and Mrs. Mandie Terrell of Midland visited their brother, Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Layton the first of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Foster of Henderson is spending the week with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Snitker.

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Mistletoe may mean the kiss of death, but only if you eat it. The berries, leaves and stems are all poisonous, the Texas Medical Association says.

The appealing white berries are most often involved in mistletoe poisoning cases. Making sure children cannot get at plant parts, even ones that drop off, can prevent many mishaps.

Symptoms of mistletoe poisoning may include nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, possible stomach pain, uneven and reduced breathing, and delirium. Other symptoms are possible hallucinations, sweating, convulsions and heart collapse. The number of severity of symptoms depend on amount of mistletoe eaten, body weight, amount absorbed by the body, and other factors.

There is less chance of severe symptoms if the victim gets proper treatment immediately. A hospital or physician's office can do the best job but home treatment can help somewhat if these facilities are not readily available. Home treatment consists mainly of making the victim vomit as soon as possible after eating mistletoe--unless the person is unconscious or is

having convulsions. Do not induce vomiting under these circumstances. Give the victim water or milk before inducing vomiting. Various methods to make a person vomit include giving syrup of ipecac (available without a prescription at many drug stores), placing a finger or spoon at the back of the victim's throat or giving two teaspoons of salt in a glass of warm water. When vomiting is about to start, place a victim facing down with the head lower than the hips.

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## The Harmon Football Forecast

### THE TOP TWENTY MAJOR COLLEGE FOOTBALL TEAMS

1—TEXAS	6—OHIO STATE	11—NEBRASKA	16—BRIGHAM YOUNG
2—OKLAHOMA	7—ARKANSAS	12—NORTH CAROLINA	17—WASHINGTON
3—ALABAMA	8—PENN STATE	13—CLEMSON	18—SOUTHERN CAL
4—NOTRE DAME	9—PITTSBURGH	14—L.S.U.	19—MICHIGAN STATE
5—MICHIGAN	10—KENTUCKY	15—ARIZONA STATE	20—TEXAS A & M

Saturday, December 17	
INDEPENDENCE BOWL:	Louisiana Tech ..... 24 Louisville ..... 23
Monday, December 19	
LIBERTY BOWL:	Nebraska ..... 23 North Carolina ..... 17
Thursday, December 22	
HALL OF FAME CLASSIC:	Maryland ..... 20 Minnesota ..... 14
Friday, December 23	
TANGERINE BOWL:	Texas Tech ..... 28 Florida State ..... 27
Sunday, December 25	
FIESTA BOWL:	Penn State ..... 24 Arizona State ..... 17
Friday, December 30	
GATOR BOWL:	Pittsburgh ..... 21 Clemson ..... 10
Saturday, December 31	
ASTRO-BLUEBONNET BOWL:	Southern California ..... 27 Texas A & M ..... 20
SUN BOWL:	L.S.U. .... 30 Stanford ..... 21
PEACH BOWL:	Iowa State ..... 24 North Carolina State ..... 22
Monday, January 2	
COTTON BOWL:	Texas ..... 20 Notre Dame ..... 17
ORANGE BOWL:	Oklahoma ..... 23 Arkansas ..... 13
ROSE BOWL:	Michigan ..... 24 Washington ..... 13
SUGAR BOWL:	Alabama ..... 17 Ohio State ..... 15

#### HIGHLIGHTS

We did extensive research with tea leaves and a fortune teller or two before picking our winner in the Cotton Bowl. Though Texas is our national champion for 1977, Notre Dame has a habit of breaking winning streaks and upsetting undefeated teams. So, with much trepidation, the Longhorns by three points.

In our final ratings, Texas edged runner-up Oklahoma by a single point. A Longhorn loss in the Cotton and a Sooner win in the Orange would make Oklahoma our "post-season" national champion. Oklahoma is rated a ten-point favorite over Arkansas in Miami on January 2nd.

The most improved major college football team? It just has to be Clemson. The Tigers were 3-6-2 in 1976, and in a big turn-around, 8-2-1 in 1977. In addition to finishing as the runner-up team in the Atlantic Coast Conference, they earned a spot in the Gator Bowl against Pittsburgh.

Our final forecasting average took a pleasant jump over last year's average, thanks to three particularly good weekends. We picked the results of 2,049 football games... there were 1,488 smiles and 568 frowns... 43 games ended as stand-offs. The 1977 average: .747.

When we list our selected teams as the top teams, we are rating the twenty STRONGEST teams in the country, not necessarily the twenty teams with the best win-loss records. A team's rating is based on the average of its performance against all opponents throughout the entire season, and calibre of competition is a major factor in determining a team's rating.

Concluding the final conference ratings for 1977, the 6th place Atlantic Coast Conference's average moved up four points over 1976 to within just 7 of the 5th place Big Ten Conference. Ratings for football conferences are based on each league's power quotient average determined from the ratings of all teams in every conference. Of the more than 65 football conferences, here are the twenty strongest in the nation:

1—Big Eight Conference ..... 94.4	11—Ivy League ..... 63.8
2—Southeast Conference ..... 92.9	12—Southern Conference ..... 63.4
3—Pacific Eight Conference ..... 90.1	13—Missouri Valley Conference ..... 62.7
4—Southwest Conference ..... 89.3	14—Gulf South Conference ..... 61.3
5—Big Ten Conference ..... 87.9	15—Big Sky Conference ..... 59.2
6—Atlantic Coast Conference ..... 87.2	16—Yankee Conference ..... 56.0
7—Western Athletic Conference ..... 79.0	17—Ohio Valley Conference ..... 55.7
8—Pacific Coast Athletic Conference ..... 73.4	18—Lone Star Conference ..... 55.2
9—Mid-American Conference ..... 70.5	19—Southwestern Athletic Conference ..... 54.6
10—Southland Conference ..... 68.8	20—North Central Conference ..... 52.8

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## BARRY & YOUNG EQUIPMENT



**View From  
The Plains**  
by J.D. Peer  
I & E Field Officer

Purchasing the young hunter in your family a new gun for Christmas takes some calculations as to how the gun will be used and it's safety factors and there are other responsibilities the parent faces.

Giving your son or daughter a firearm and then teaching them how to handle the gun safely, be a skilled hunter, to be a sportsman in the best sense of the work, is a more important job than ever before.

Let the young hunter or shooter have a say in the choosing of the gun, but give them guidance if they need it even though they might purchase the gun with their own money.

There are calibers, gauges, weights and action styles to suit different people. However, great power or accuracy or shot-pattern ability does not make up for inadequate marksmanship, and a fast action is a handicap unless self-control hold the shooter down to carefully triggered shots.

Most potential young hunters have already fired your guns or a friend's firearm and few have already taken the volunteer Texas hunter safety class before owning a gun.

Safety is the number one consideration and most safety instructors recommend single-shot rifles or shotguns for beginning hunters or shooters. The single-shot gun can be carried with an open action allowing the shooter to visibly see the gun is unloaded. This type of firearm also teaches the shooter to concentrate on the

first and only shot and to identify the target before squeezing the trigger.

The shotgun will probably offer the young hunter more hunting opportunities due to its versatility in taking everything from deer to rabbits.

Some youngsters become interested in hunting at an early age and a light recoil will insure a steady shooter. A few parents have presented their young hunter with a .410 shotgun only to have the shooter lose interest due to this shotgun's limited pattern and knock-down power. A more realistic shotgun would be the 20 gauge which has a good pattern, good killing power and ammunition is readily available in every store.

The selection of a hunting rifle depends upon the type of game the young hunter wants to pursue and what ammunition will be used.

Most shooters are trained with the popular .22 rimfire rifle and it can also be used to take small game later in the hunter's career. Ammunition is reasonably priced and again the single-shot, bolt-action .22 would be ideal.

A selection of big-game rifles might have to be a compromise between a rifle that is good for brush shooting and an open range gun. There is no all-around rifle for all hunting conditions. This is the reason most avid hunters have several rifles and shotguns in their home from which they can choose the right caliber or gauge for each hunting situation.

For the beginner's gun them, a decision as to where they will be shooting deer or other large game animals must be decided.

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Most of the people who discuss problems know little about them.

**Give Health For  
Holidays Big Boost**

You cannot buy one of the best Christmas gifts at a department store or give it to someone like a box of candy. But many unusual Christmas gifts can help people make themselves more healthy. Healthiness is a gift that can last a lifetime--and make a lifetime last longer. The Texas Medical Association says.

Since the holiday season is torture for many people wanting to lose weight, giving low-calorie sweets and snacks can be a big boost for moral and provide a tasty escape from the sugary sweets and other fattening foods bombarding people in December.

Lessons in tennis, golf or other sports can be enjoyable, exercise-oriented gift with many long-lasting benefits besides weight and stress reduction. Parks departments, YMCAs, YWCAs, churches, hobby clubs, schools and individuals are just a few places to check for lessons and group activities. Sports equipment comes in all price ranges and also can add to a person's enjoyment or a game.

Giving a trial membership in a medically reliable exercise club or weight reducing program may encourage someone who would not invest either the time or money on his own. No one can be forced to exercise or lose weight but if someone shows any inclination at all, he or she might appreciate a membership.

When looking at different programs, generally avoid places

that stress "no effort" exercising, fasting, milkshake diets, gimmicks such as body wraps, injections and other fads. Take a hard look at programs themselves and do not be fooled by official-sounding names.

Another type of gift may be appreciated by friends who are hesitant to seek medical or dental treatment on their own. If someone wants treatment but has been putting it off, a check for all or part of a check-up can be a lot of encouragement. Call physicians and dentists for fee estimates.

One of the best gifts anyone can get is a helping hand. Try giving a "gift certificate" for a certain amount of your own labor, lessons or other services for anything from washing the car to babysitting. These gifts are economical and can give the recipient time for some relaxation. These mental breathers can be especially nice after a hectic holiday season.

For the person who has everything, a donation to a charity in his or her name can help other people and convey the same friendly message as a needless trinket.

Sometimes not giving a gift is the nicest thing to do. The person who has everything, including smoking, weight or alcohol problems, does not need tobacco, fattening foods or liquor. There are a lot of things to give besides presents that help kill your friends.

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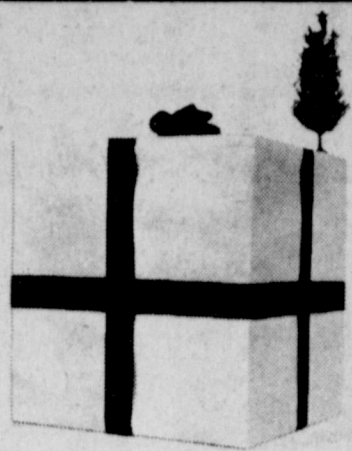


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# 1977-78 World Cotton Picture Taking Shape

The basic fundamentals of world cotton supply and demand in 1977-78 are beginning to take shape, say economists at Cotton Incorporated. As of now, said M. Daniel

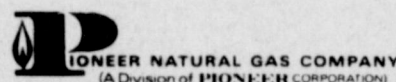


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Troxler, associate director for demand economics, it appears that during the current cotton marketing year:

--World cotton production will probably hit a new record approaching 65 million bales, almost 7.5 million bales more than last year.

--World cotton consumption will reach 62.1 million bales, unchanged from 1976-77.

--World cotton stocks will increase almost four million bales, with most of this increase occurring in the United States.

Troxler adds, however, that his picture could change over the next few months as several factors now clouded with uncertainty come into sharper focus.

For example, he says, textile industry activity has been adversely affected by sluggish worldwide business conditions for most of 1977. While a gradual improvement in textile business is likely during the early part of 1978, "that prospect is not certain, especially in view of the erratic course of recent economic activity," he adds.

Troxler also points out that the tight availability of world cotton supplies experienced for most of 1976-77 resulted in the substitution of more readily available and cheaper synthetic fibers in many countries.

"A bumper crop of cotton is being harvested world-wide, with the U.S. crop the largest since 1965," Troxler notes. "While this has brought cotton prices to low levels, the ample cotton supplies won't necessarily mean a quick recovery in cotton's market share since a serious over-supply situation now exists in the world's synthetic fiber industry. Extremely low synthetic prices—prices far below cost of production—will be used to maintain, if no increase, synthetic fiber market share."

For instance, the Cotton Incorporated economist notes, "there have been reliable reports of continuing sales of U.S. Produced polyester staple to the Far East at 42 cents per pound delivered. Sales have also been made to the People's Republic of China at Even lower prices—38 cents per pound.

However, Troxler points out, "no product can be sold indefinitely at below total costs. Synthetic fiber prices will go up. In the meantime, having been sold on the basis of cheapness, synthetics will become associated with cheapness. That is not a strong association to acquire."

Another uncertainty surrounding both the cotton and synthetic fiber consumption prospects in 1977, says Troxler, is the controversy now stirred up regarding world textile trade.

In recent weeks, he notes, the confrontation has become very heated between developed nations whose textile industries want curbs on imports and the exporting developing nations. How this is resolved will be an important factor in determining the course of world fiber consumption during the remainder of this marketing year, says the Cotton Incorporated economist.

Looking at the picture in the United States, Troxler says the tempo of business has slowed in comparison to the pace enjoyed earlier in this year, but, all in all, the U.S. economy appears still headed on a course of slow upward growth, at least through mid-1978. "This," he says, "is almost certain to have a positive effect at the retail counter and on the textile industry."

Consumer demand for cotton textile products continues to be strong, Troxler says.

He reports that during the first six months of this year, 4.5 percent more pounds of cotton moved across the retail counter compared to the first six months of last year, according to data from the Market Research Corporation of America. During the third quarter, 6.2 percent more pounds of cotton textile products were purchased by consumers while synthetic products showed a gain of 5.5 percent compared to the same period last year, he adds.

"For the nine-month period of January through September," says Troxler, "cotton's share of market notched up to 36.2 percent from 36 percent in 1976 and a full percentage point a head of 1975."

If domestic mill activity shows expected quarter-by-quarter gains through mid-1978, and U.S. mills respond to cotton's competitive price and strong consumer appeal, use of cotton will be about 6.8 million bales in 1977-78, a slight improvement over the 6.7 million bales consumed last year, he says.

U.S. cotton exports in 1977-78 are estimated at 4.4 million bales as compared with an estimated 4.8 million bales last year.

Cotton Incorporated is the fiber company of America cotton producers. A more detailed analysis of the world cotton picture is contained in the **Cotton Summary**, monthly publication of the company's Economic Research and Development Division.



NOT ALL WORK--As this workman proves at the Bailey County Civic Center and Coliseum, it's not all work and no play. He posed for the camera Monday afternoon as he was working to install ceiling tile in the office, kitchen, meeting room complex in the building.

## Get Into Action With 4-H

How would you like to join 4-H? You can, you know, if you really want to and we'd be glad to have you, says Spencer Tanksley county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

4-H is a national youth program for all youth between the ages of 9 and 19 regardless of race, color, ethnic background, economic status or cultural differences. The program is administered by the Cooperative Extension Service in each state.

The purpose of 4-H is to develop leadership and character in young people. 4-H'ers learn by doing through actively working on projects and participating in club meetings and 4-H activities, notes Tanksley.

4-H clubs are organized in such places as rural, and urban neighborhoods. Groups may be organized among neighborhood families in one or two city blocks, housing complexes or anywhere they are needed.

Youth can participate in a variety of projects in 4-H, such as foods, clothing, animal projects, electricity, arts, and crafts, and many, many others. In fact, almost anything you want can be a project.

Most important and most of all, 4-H is a lot of fun! Where else can you get together with other people your age and have fun while you learn? Boys and girls in 4-H are always on the move doing something and participating in various activities. For instance, the 4-H rifle project attracts numerous youngsters each year who are interested in learning to shoot and observe gun safety. Live-stock projects give youngsters a chance to be responsible for an animal and enter stock shows where they learn competitiveness and sportsmanship.

4-H'ers can learn to make their own clothes through clothing projects.

Besides projects, other activities such as the Share-the-Fun Contest give youngsters the chance to participate in organized recreation. County 4-H Fun Day is the time for playing games and making new friends. Members in 4-H can go on trips, take tours of interesting and educational places, and can help finance their college education

with scholarships awarded through 4-H.

If you know of a young person aged 9-19 call the county Extension office at 272-3913 and we'll contact the individual about joining the 4-H program.

Boosting the 4-H program is the private sector which provides great resources of money, personnel and materials for the advancement of 4-H. The many business and industrial leaders who have supported and continue to support 4-H give significant testimony that 4-H is a valuable educational program for America's youth.

Remember, you are what you want to be in 4-H. It is educational, interesting, challenging and lots of fun, emphasizes Tanksley.

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### ONE MINUTE SPORTS QUIZ

1. Craig Morton quarterbacked what pro football team?
2. Name the winners in the Mixed Team Golf Championship.
3. Which country regained the Davis Cup?
4. Name the PGA and LPGA golfers of the year.
5. Who was Rookie of the Year in the ABA?

### Answers to Sports Quiz

1. Denver Broncos.
2. Jerry Pate-Hollis Stacy.
3. John Alexander won it for Australia.
4. Tom Watson and Judy Rankin.
5. David Thompson, Denver.



**John Wardrip Funeral Held Here Monday**

Funeral services for John S. Wardrip, 47, were conducted at 2:30 p.m. Monday in the Singleton-Ellis Chapel of the Chimes with Warren Meeks, Johova Witness minister from Muleshoe officiating. Burial was in Muleshoe Cemetery under direction of Singleton-Ellis Funeral Home.

Wardrip, who had lived in Muleshoe for the past five and a

half years, died Saturday morning at his home in Muleshoe. He moved to Muleshoe from Pampa and was employed as a lab and x-ray Technician at West Plains Medical Center.

He was born August 28, 1930 in Carlisle, Penn. and was a veteran of the Korean Conflict having served in the U.S. Air Force. He was married to Claire Barcafar on November 23, 1965

in Pampa.

Survivors include his wife, Claire; one son, John Scott Wardrip, Jr., of the home; a daughter, Corby Lee Wardrip, of the home; his mother Marguerite Wardrip of Carlisle, Penn.; and two sisters, Mrs. Patricia Finkey, Carlisle, Penn. and Mrs. Avis Boyle, Belen, N.M.

The family request that memorials be made to West Plains Medical Center Action Fund.

**Omar Torrijos**, Panamanian head of state: "I never doubted a victory for the treaties..."

**John Rhodes**, House Republican Leader: "I think the administration's performance thus far has been inept."

**Jimmy Carter**, President: "We want to be sure that where there is a legitimate need... there will be an adequate supply of nuclear fuel."

**Juanita Kreps**, Commerce Secretary: "The economy would have slowed down even more in the third quarter if it were not for income tax reductions."

**Teacher Feature**

Our teacher spotlighted this week is Mr. John McCormack. Mr. McCormack teaches Business and also sponsors the eighth grade class. He and his wife Ruth, have three children. Danny 15, Heather 8, and Cornell 7. Mrs. McCormack is a Migrant Aide. Mrs. McCormack has been

teaching for 10 years. He has taught at Grants, New Mexico, Montrose, Colorado Bula and Three Way.

His favorite color is green and his favorite food is Chili. Mr. McCormack enjoys playing chess and reading. The family are members of the Three Way Baptist Church

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Almost anyone can tell you what someone will do if...



JOHN McCORMACK

**First Grade Frolics**

The first grade celebrated Stacy Lowe's birthday recently. Everyone made her a happy birthday coloring paper which was made into a book and presented for her 7th birthday. The class members also sang Happy Birthday to her.

The first graders are busy making christmas decorations for their Christmas tree and practicing their songs and dances for the Christmas program on December 20. The girls will be balloons and the boys will be Christmas puddings.



**Senior Spotlight**

Mark Lowe was born on August 19, 1960 in Lubbock to Mr. and Mrs. Don Lowe.

Mark's favorite color is red and his favorite foods are sea food and mexican foods. He enjoys tractor pulling and water skiing. His favorite subject is P.E. because he enjoys the activity of sports.

Mark is a member of FFA and has served his chapter as an officer. Mark also has appeared in the speech plays this year.

He is planning on attending college and is looking forward to graduation.



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