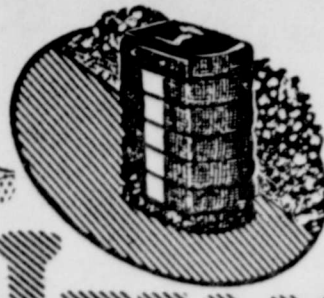


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## All Around the Town

by Mary Ann Sarchet

In September, 1897, a little girl wrote a letter to Francis B. Church editor of The New York Sun. Virginia O'Hanlon was eight years old. She was troubled because her playmates had scorned her belief in Santa Claus. In her letter to the editor she related, "Papa says if you see it in the Sun it's so. Please tell me the truth — is there a Santa Claus?"

And this is the answer she received from the editor:  
"Yes, indeed!"

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age — they do not believe except what they see — they think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible to their little minds. 'All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little.

"In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus.

"He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus? You may as well not believe in fairies! 'You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus — the most real things in the world are those neither children nor men can see.

"Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there — nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders that are unseen and unseeable in the world. 'You tear apart the baby's rattle to see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, or even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture the supernatural beauty of all glory beyond.

"Is it all real? — ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding. 'No Santa Claus? Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever — a thousand years from now, Virginia, may, ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the hearts of childhood."

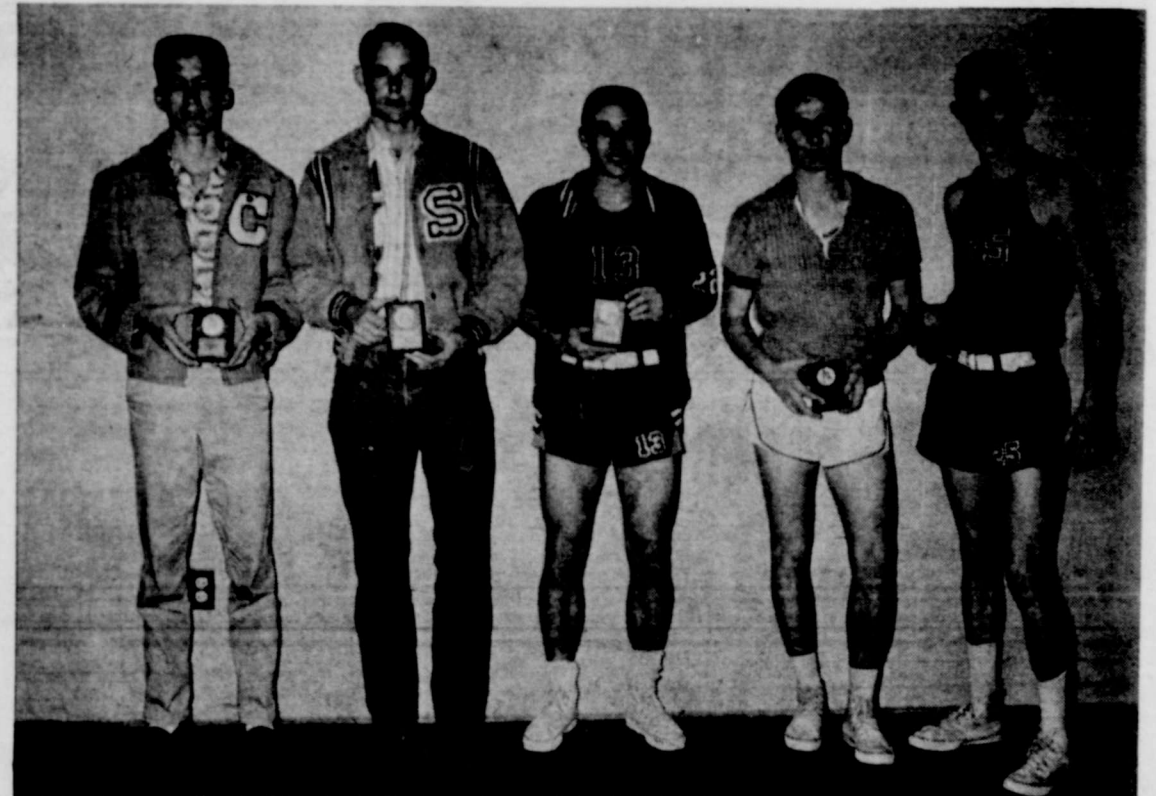
And with the hope that Santa remembers every single one of our readers with their hearts' fondest desires, we wish you a very merry Christmas, and the very happiest of New Years!

## To Observe Golden Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Gardner of Rising Star, Texas, formerly of Silverton, will celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary on January 1, 1961. Their daughter, Mrs. Warner Ward of Tulla, extends an invitation to friends of her parents to visit them on this occasion.



Girls placed on the All-Tournament Team for their outstanding play in the Silverton Invitational Basketball Tournament were Jimmie Nell Reynolds, Silverton; Shelia Degan, Turkey; Paula Adams, Clarendon; Brenda Cornett, Silverton; Peggy Jackson, Clarendon; and Gay Watson, Clarendon.



Receiving individual awards for making the All-Tournament Team during the Silverton High School Basketball Tournament last weekend were John Burson, Silverton; Conroy Lacy, Turkey; Mack Cansler, Hereford; Randy Dowell, Hereford; and Howard Talley, Clarendon.

## HEREFORD BOYS, CLARENDON GIRLS WIN SILVERTON CAGE TOURNAMENT

Hereford "B" basketballers won first place in the Silverton High School Basketball Tournament last weekend by defeating the Turkey Turks by a 64-50 margin. Hereford "B" advanced to the finals after beating Flomot by a 67-42 score. Earlier in the tournament Hereford "B" defeated Clarendon 57-43. Turkey advanced to the finals by defeating Memphis 45-33. In the first round of play the Turks won from Silverton, 45-35.

First place in the girls division was won by Clarendon as they defeated the Silverton Owlets 44-39. Earlier the Clarendon girls had defeated the Silverton "B" girls 47-34, and Friona "B" 41-26.

Silverton boys and Friona "B" girls were winners of the Consolation bracket, as Silverton defeated Clarendon 53-45, and Friona "B" won from the Turkey girls, 60-47. In the first round of the tournament the Silverton "B" girls defeated Flomot 38-36. Sue Lanham scored 16 points, Becky Mallow 11, LaQuetta Chitty 2, Jerry Garrison 2, Jerry Sweek 1, Sharon Weaver 6.

Silverton "B" boys were defeated by Flomot 46-30. Kenneth Thornton scored 8 points, Larry Elms 8, Robert Rhode 2, and Jay Towe 12. Muleshoe "B" went down to the Memphis boys, 51-33. Hereford "B" defeated Claren-

don, 57-43. Silverton Owlets defeated the Turkey Turks, 56-33. Celene Lanham scored 13 points, Jimmie Nell Reynolds 35, Jane Brooks 6, and Brenda Cornett 2.

Silverton was defeated by Turkey Turks 45-35. John Burson scored 13 points, Dave Schott 9, Larry West 10, Joe Anderson 6, Kenneth Peugh 2, and Larry May 2.

The Clarendon girls defeated Friona "B" 41-26. In the second round of the tournament the Clarendon boys defeated the Silverton "B" 64-23. Robert Rhode scored 3 points, Kenneth Thornton 11, Larry Elms 2, Jay Towe 3, Gary Hunt 2, and Orville Turner 2.

The Muleshoe "B" girls suffered a defeat at the hands of Turkey, 57-34.

Silverton Owls scored 70 points to the 22 made by Muleshoe "B". John Burson scored 16, Dave Schott 6, Larry West 26, Mike Mercer 9, Joe Anderson 6, Kenneth Peugh 6, Silverton girls defeated Memphis and Larry May 1. 71-35. Celene Lanham scored 10 points, Jimmie Nell Reynolds 39, Jane Brooks 14, Carolyn Frizzell 5, and Brenda Cornett 3. Turkey boys romped past Memphis, 45-33. Friona "B" defeated Flomot.

## NEWS OFFICE TO BE CLOSED

The office of the Briscoe County News will be closed Thursday, December 22, through Sunday, December 25. Newspaper people have few chances to take more than a day or two off at a time, and this year Christmas affords a good opportunity. Be watching the pages of next week's issue for some very special news that you won't want to miss!

Mrs. Crow, the reporter of local news, is spending the holidays in Mississippi. She will be gone during the next two weeks. It will be appreciated if all will continue bringing, phoning and mailing local news to us during these two weeks.

Mrs. Gowin, our reporter of the Quitaque locals, will be busy entertaining during the holidays, but she plans to be on the job.

Silverton "B" girls were defeated by Clarendon, 47-34. Sue Lanham scored 4 points, Becky Mallow 15, Jerry Garrison 2, and Sharon Weaver 13.

For the Consolation trophy, Silverton defeated Clarendon 53-45. John Burson scored 17 points, Dave Schott 15, Larry West 14, Mike Mercer 4, Joe Anderson 1, and Kenneth Peugh 2.

For the girls Consolation trophy Friona "B" defeated Turkey 60-47. The Silverton girls lost the championship game to Clarendon by a 44-39 margin. Celene Lanham scored 7 points, Jimmie Nell Reynolds 23, Jane Brooks 4, and Carolyn Frizzell 5.

## ANNUAL MEETING OF SCD TO BE HELD IN DALLAS

Representatives from the local Cap Rock Soil Conservation District are making plans to attend the 20th annual Meeting of the Association of Texas Soil Conservation Districts, to be held January 11-13 in Dallas.

This convention is the regular get-together of representatives from all 181 Soil Conservation Districts in Texas. These Districts contain within their boundaries 99 per cent of the area of the state. In connection with the meeting, the annual Soil and Water Show

will be held in the Memorial Auditorium, with exhibits of the latest conservation equipment and material.

Though founded as recently as 1939, the Soil Conservation District movement is now of major importance in the state's agriculture, and has increased the farm and ranch assets of the Texans by millions of dollars since its beginning. The movement is one of the grassroots democracy, controlled by the local landowners and operating for the benefit of these landowners. The five Supervisors who handle the business of the District are elected by farmers and ranchers within their area, and serve voluntarily and without pay. Members of the local Board of Supervisors are Woodrow Bice, Edwin Crass, Glynn Morrison, Ben Whitfill, and L. R. McJimsey.

Governor Price Daniel recently wrote of the Soil Conservation District movement: "I would like to say that I am highly pleased with the soil conservation work in the Soil Conservation Districts in our state. I am a strong believer and supporter of the program and assure my continued cooperation in every way." President-elect John Kennedy has cited the movement as the outstanding example of cooperative action to solve mutual problems on a local level.

## County Highway Improvement Is Outlined

The Texas Highway Commission today approved the expenditure of \$58,100,000 for highway safety and betterment in Briscoe County, during 1961, announced District Highway Engineer Palmer Massey of Childress.

He said a total of 37.5 highway miles in the county will be involved. The work will be under the supervision of O. V. Johnson, Senior Resident Engineer, Quitaque, Texas.

This work is part of two statewide "highway housekeeping" programs revealed today by the Texas Highway Department. Totalling \$40 million, the programs are keyed to safety features and proper upkeep of the State's highway systems.

The two safety-and-betterment programs will be evenly divided financially throughout the State with \$20 million to be spent on the U.S. and State Highway System and \$20 million earmarked for the Farm-to-Market Road System.

The 1,075 items involved in the two programs, covering a total of 224 counties, will all be done during the next calendar year. A total of 2,799 miles of U.S. and State Highways and 3,686 miles of Farm-to-Market Roads are included in the work list. Highways are due for improvements such as surface, widening, bridge widening and replacement, base strengthening and paving of shoulders.

District Engineer Palmer Massey said a total of 295 miles in this highway district would be involved at a total cost of \$1,094,000.00.

The projects in this county are all seal coat projects and the following are included:  
St. Hwy. from St. Hwy. 86 to Floyd County line.

St. Hwy. 86 shoulders along the lake east of Silverton.

St. Hwy. 256 shoulders along several lakes east of Silverton.

F.M. 284 from St. Hwy. 86 south, F.M. 2464 from St. Hwy. 86 south and east.

F.M. 145 from Swisher County line to F.M. 378.

F.M. 599 from St. Hwy. 86 to Motley County line.

## Production Credit Open House Well Attended

More than three hundred attended the opening of the Silverton office of Plainview Production Credit Association last Sunday. Representatives were here from Lubbock, Pampa, Canadian, Minnesota, Friona, Muleshoe, Tulla, Plainview, Hale Center, Floydada, Turkey and Quitaque.

Field Office Manager Bob Harber has expressed his thanks to all those who helped make opening a success by sending flowers and plants, and other messages of congratulation.

Everyone is urged to take advantage of the beautiful new community room which is available in the new office building.

## ABOUT THIS CHRISTMAS EDITION

At the suggestion of some of the Silverton merchants, the Briscoe County News is being sent to every boxholder in Silverton and on the local routes, as well as to the boxholders at Quitaque. It is the wish of these businessmen that their Christmas Greetings contained in this issue be considered by each reader as a special, personal wish for your happy holidays.

It is hoped that you will enjoy this Christmas edition. This is the first color work attempted by the present publisher, and as you probably know, it necessitated running each sheet (8 pages) through the press four times instead of the customary two times.

Art work for the cover was done by Larry Smitherman of South Plains. Larry attends an art institute in Denver and has turned out a number of good commercial jobs for a variety of uses.

The cover photograph was by Wilson's Camera Store in Tulla, and engraving work for the cover was done by McCormick Engraving Company in Amarillo. Other personal photographs contained in the Christmas Greetings were by Lucas Studio of Irving, Texas.



Mrs. J. H. May

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## Funeral Held For Mrs. J. H. May

Mrs. Lillian Georgia May, 73, died at her home in Silverton where she had lived for eight years at about 8:00 a.m. Monday, December 19, 1960. She had arisen and eaten breakfast and her death came quickly.

Mrs. May was born in Lewisville, Arkansas, on September 25, 1887, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Hicks. She was married on December 19, 1906, to James H. May. He preceded his wife in 1958.

Mrs. May was an ardent lover of flowers and plants, as the yard at her home proves. Last year she was the sweepstakes winner at the local flower show, and she took great pride in the flowers she had grown.

Funeral services were conducted at the First Methodist Church in Silverton, at 2:00 p.m. December 21, Elder Ward of Amarillo, the Rev. G. A. Elrod, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Silverton, and the Rev. Frank Story, pastor of the First Methodist Church in Silverton, conducted the services.

Survivors include five sons, Loyd, Elmer and Nuke of Silverton, Dick of Santa Barbara, California, and Edward of Gunter, Texas; four daughters, Virginia, of the home, Mrs. Bill Burchard, Folsom, New Mexico, Mrs. Bill Womack, Denver, Colorado, and Mrs. James E. Andrews, Duncombe, Iowa; two brothers, Sam Hicks, Shreveport, Louisiana, and Charlie Hicks, Ruston, Louisiana; 1 half brother, W. I. Sears, Livingston, Texas; and 22 grandchildren.

Pallbearers were T. W. Bell, True Burson, Jesse Grimland, Edwin May, Lem Weaver, and Bud Howe. Honorary pallbearers were Orlin Stark, Joe Montague, D. Oneal, James Henderson, Ware Fogerson and Pete Chitty.

Burial was in Silverton Cemetery with services under the direction of Roberts Funeral Home.

## GIN REPORT



Paymaster Gin, Quitaque.....	3,323
Farmers Co-op, Quitaque.....	3,212
Dempsey Gin.....	3,256
Tomlin and Fleming.....	3,665
Silverton Gin, Inc.....	3,663
Davis Gin.....	1,050
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>18,189</b>

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### CHRISTMAS SERVICES

#### PLANNED AT ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

Christmas services will be held at the Assembly of God here in Silvertown. Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. and morning worship at 11:00 a.m. The pastor, Rev. J. D. Holder, will bring a Christmas message titled "What Manner of

#### Man is This?"

Sunday evening services will begin at 6:30 with the Young People's service. Following the Young People will be the Evangelistic services starting at 7:30 p.m. The Rev. Murry E. Green will bring the message for this service.

Rev. Holder invites you to come and worship the Lord on this day which has been set aside as Christ's birthday.

#### ATTEND "AMAHL AND THE NIGHT VISITOR" OPERA

Mr. and Mrs. Berton Hughes, Robert and Randy, Jerry Williamson, Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Brown and Mrs. Doug Arnold were in Plainview Thursday night to see the presentation of "Amahl and the Night Visitors", a one-act opera presented by the music, speech and drama departments of Wayland Baptist College. Sam, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brown, furnished background music on the piano and accompanied the singers in the opera.

#### ENJOY CHRISTMAS DINNER WITH FAMILY EARLY

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. May had as their guests last Saturday and Sunday their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Orrin May, Phyllis, Eddie, and Jo Marie, of Midland; another son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill May, David and Brent of Canyon; and a niece and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Boyce, James and Nancy of Canyon.

The group enjoyed a Christmas dinner on Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin May.



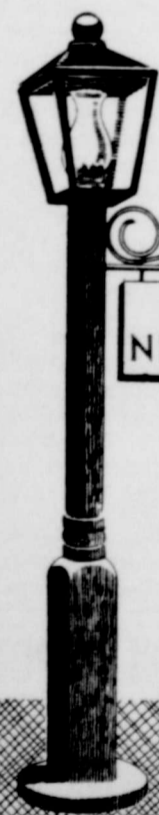
we hope your Holiday is bright as a light!

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Good Cheer  
in the coming year



HAPPY NEW YEAR

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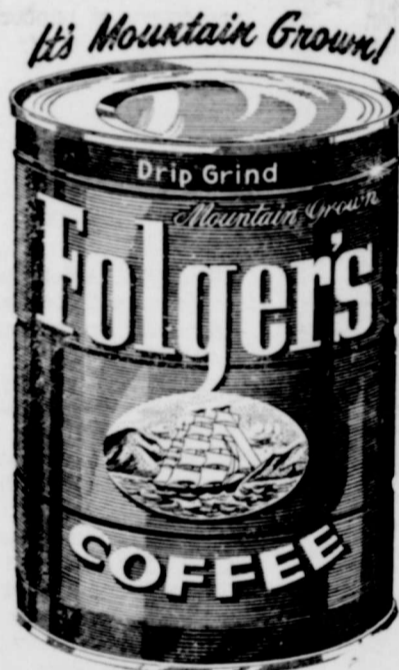
**GOLD COAST SPICED PEACHES 2 1/2 SIZE 4 FOR \$1**

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**KIMBELLS BISCUITS 3 CANS 25c**

**CAPRI FANCY DINNER NAPKINS 100 COUNT 49c**

**NORTHERN BATHROOM TISSUE 4 ROLLS 33c**

**MRS. TUCKERS SHORTENING 3 LB. CAN 59c**

### Garden-Fresh VEGETABLES

#### CHRISTMAS FRUITS & NUTS

**CALIFORNIA TOMATOES lb. 29c**

**FRESH LETTUCE lb. 15c**

**CARROTS 1 lb. bag 2 for 29c**

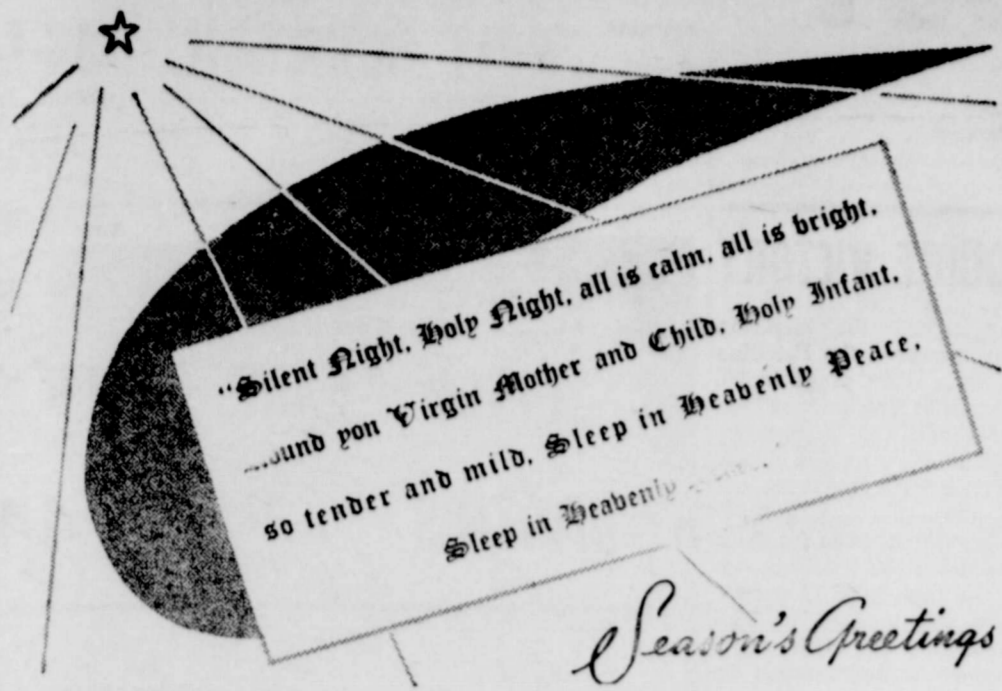


**PRICES GOOD FRIDAY AND SATURDAY STAFFORD'S**

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The lovely home of MR. and MRS. JACK STRANGE was as pretty as a Christmas card during our recent snowstorm.

News From  
**Quitague**

"the Queen of the Valley"

reported by Mrs. Charles Gowin

Mrs. Larry Hedrick of Hale Center was visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Carter and other relatives and friends recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hunter of Dimmitt spent the weekend visiting with relatives and friends.

Bennie Reagan, who is attending school at Howard Payne at Brownwood, came home Friday to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hawkins and Joe Frank of Lockney visited relatives and friends Saturday evening.

Mrs. Glenn Yarborough and Ross and Mr. and Mrs. Royal Yarborough of Amarillo and Frank Hawkins of Lockney, visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hawkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Johnston went to visit his mother, Mrs. Mary Johnston at Lefores, Sunday. She returned home with them to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Johnston and boys went to Canyon Saturday evening to the Harlem All Star Basketball game.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Edgar of Lubbock spent the weekend with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Edgar.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Morrison and children visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gowin.

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Johnston were in Amarillo on business Tuesday. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Price and little Christie at the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Ramsey and family of Lubbock visited his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Ramsey, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. George Branson and son of Tulia, visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Bronson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Sheets and family of Spearman spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnie Brummett.

Mr. and Mrs. Norvel Hamilton were in Childress on business last Wednesday.

Those enjoying a pre-Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Preston Taylor and family at Canyon Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Webb Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Taylor and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Duncan of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Merrell and family of Turkey, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Morris and family of Tulia.

Mrs. Novell Wise and Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Hawkins were in Plainview Saturday. Mr. Hawkins went for his checkup and reports that the doctor says he is doing fine.

**YULETIDE GREETINGS**



Hoping your Christmas will be as peaceful and bright as the fallen snow.

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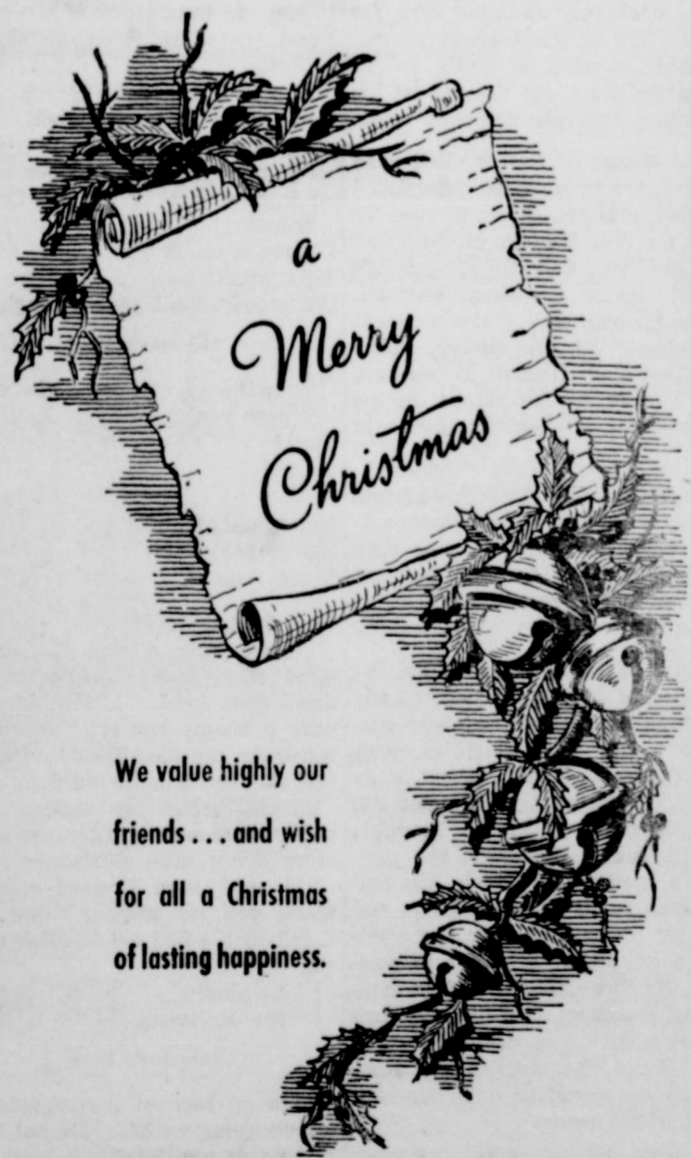


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Perspective

by Robert Hughes

Joy to the world, this is the day that school turns out for the Christmas Holidays. This is the thought that is probably uppermost on everyone's mind, not excluding myself. And it is a happy thought as most of our thoughts are around Christmas.

It is during this time of the year that happiness becomes the dominant factor in our lives. Beautiful Christmas music is played everywhere; people stop thinking about themselves a little while; everyone tries to be pleasant and cheerful; people try to do nice things for others; and a generally joyous and happy spirit spreads throughout the land. Perhaps this is why Christmas is our most popular seasonal holiday; because people, although they may not show it in all their actions, really enjoy the spreading of good cheer that comes with Christmas and the good feeling they get from doing it.

There are two wonderful reasons why joy and good cheer are so prevalent around Christmas time. The first is the fact that people see what they want to see, and at Christmas time people naturally expect to be happy; they look for the wonderful, the exciting, the joyous, and the cheerful things around them. And because they look for them they find them. A spirit of joy and cheerfulness spreads like wildfire throughout the land.

The second reason is the most important one by far, for it is the almost forgotten reason why people who have griped and fought their way through another year of life find themselves searching for happiness at Christmas time and looking for good cheer in the things around them; it is the hope that rekindles the fire of peace and joy in our souls. What is this spark that transforms us all? It is the spirit of HIM who nearly 2,000 years ago taught mankind the lesson it never really learned, but never quite forgot.

MERRY CHRISTMAS, EVERYBODY

The Owl's Hoot

Santa Claus  
Box 573  
North Pole

Dear Santa:

I have been a very good girl this year. I am not going to ask for much this Christmas because it never does do any good. But Santa, while you are packing your bags why don't you just drop in a ranch house, a pink Cadillac, a blue Chevrolet and a red and white Plymouth, and I would like to ask you to send my Mother a son-in-law for her youngest daughter, because she has also been very good, and she has been wanting another one for a long time.

A very good girl that doesn't want much,

Lou Brannon

P. S. PLEASE REMEMBER MOTHER'S WISH!

The Owl's Hoot

YOU can KILL, so drive with SKILL.

F. B. L. A. Has Big Christmas Party

On December 15, Christmas music could be heard ringing merrily through the halls of Silverton High. This music and singing originated from the library reading room where an F.B.L.A. Christmas party was in full swing.

All the members of the club, most of the High School teachers, and three of the club's honorary members, Mrs. Charles Sarchet, Mr. Buddy House, and Mr. George Miller, sat around the piano singing well-known Christmas carols as Dale Francis played. After several carols had been sung, everyone enjoyed refreshments supplied by members of the club. The center piece, a large cake decorated with a candy Santa Claus, Christmas tree, and holly, was made by the club President, Celene Lanham. Other refreshments were ice cream floats, cookies of holiday shapes, and cupcakes decorated with holly. Goblets decorated like Santa Clauses and filled with candy and nuts were given to all present.

Everyone who attended the F.B.L.A. Christmas Party enjoyed it immensely. Thanks to Mrs. O. C. Rampley, club sponsor, and the committee of club members who planned the party and prepared the refreshments and made it a most enjoyable occasion.

The Owl's Hoot



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OWLS - OWLETT'S SCORE DOUBLE VICTORY

It's Small, But It's There

by Jerry Williamson

In three days it will be Christmas—the Birthday of Christ. It is a day that everyone looks forward to. However, I wonder if everyone knows why they should look forward to it. I wonder if everyone knows the real meaning of Christmas.

To find the real meaning of Christmas, I suggest you dig. Dig down through the tinsel, colored lights, and wrappings; cast aside the Christmas trees, ornaments, and tons of decorations. Dig below the piles of torn ribbons, wrappings, and Christmas cards. Steer completely around Santa Claus and keep digging. Finally, you'll reach a hard, dirty, littered floor. Brush away the discarded candy, the trash, and the muddy footprints.

After you have done all this, examine the hard floor very carefully. There you should find an inscription carved into the hard stone. Oh, it will be hard to find at first. It is worn smooth by the many foot falls that busy people have cast upon it. If you look very closely and strain your eyes, you should be able to read it. It says, "Jesus Christ is born in Bethlehem of Judea."

That's all. Just a simple little message worn smooth through the ages until no one ever sees it. If you expect to see it, you have to dig and dig hard, because it's small, but it's there.

You can run into a lot of strangers on the highways these days—especially if you don't stay well over to the right.

as much surprised as anyone else. He knew he had a birthday but he didn't know he was having a party. Others who had December birthdays are Richard Roderiguez and Elvira Campos.

The Owl's Hoot

SECOND GRADE

Miss Anderson

We are all excited about Christmas at this time. We have decorated our room, and our tree is ready for the gifts. We can hardly wait until time for our Christmas party.

Mrs. Carl Bomar, Mrs. Loyd May, Mrs. Grady Martin, Mrs. George Miller, Mrs. W. N. Davis and Mrs. C. E. Hamilton are planning our party. We are proud of all our room mothers and thank them very much for all the nice things they do for us.

We have lost two more of our pupils. Bertha Flores and Luciano DeLeon have moved away; we now have twenty-six.

We had a very nice surprise last Monday afternoon when we were invited into Mrs. Bomar's room to help Tommy Burson celebrate his birthday. We enjoyed singing with the children in Mrs. Bomar's room and we want to thank Mrs. Burson for all the nice things she did for us.

The Owl's Hoot

FIRST GRADE

Mrs. Trout

Some one made a mistake in our last week's news. Ronald Vaughan's name was left out of our perfect attendance list. Thanks, Ronny, for calling our attention to this error.

The pupils are looking forward to next Thursday when they will take time off from their school work and have their Christmas party. The room mothers who are helping with this eventful occasion are Mrs. Clifton Stodghill, Mrs. E. Donahue, Mrs. Gerald Arnold, Mrs. John H. Montague, Mrs. Sissney and Mrs. Marinez.

Fidencio Paton has moved away. We now have thirty pupils in our room.

The Owl's Hoot

You may outrun, outmaneuver, outdistance, outbluff and outbrag other drivers, but, more important, you may outrun, outmaneuver, outdistance, outbluff and outbrag Monday afternoon. Tommy was will you outlive them?

The Owl's Hoot

OWLS - OWLETT'S SCORE DOUBLE VICTORY

Tuesday night the Silverton Owlets overpowered the Estelline Bearcubs by a score of 44 to 19. Sparked by Jane Brooks, who was high scorer with 13 points, the Owlets led all the way. The guards can be praised for a fine defensive job.

The Owls came through for their second victory of the season. Larry West led the Owls with 12 points, while Dave Schott caged 10. The team fought hard the whole game and ended with a final score of 39 to 31.

S. H. S. SPOTLIGHT

This week the S. H. S. Spotlight shines on one of our outstanding groups in High School, the Student Council and its sponsors, Mrs. Miller and Miss Bonfield. The work this organization is doing and has done for our community does much for the prestige and good name of our High School.

The Silverton High School Student Council is a rather young organization, but its list of projects is very impressive. Some of the Student Council's best work is done during the Yuletide Season. This year, the Student Council has had three projects concerning Christmas. They are sponsoring the annual all High School Christmas Party today. At this party the Student Council is sponsoring a money tree which is described in another article in the paper.

The most evident project has been the door decorating contest which the Student Council has sponsored among the classes of High School. These beautiful doors around the High School have added much to the Christmas spirit along with the beautiful tree in the hall.

Our thanks to the Student Council for the wonderful job that they are doing that really shines under the S. H. S. Spotlight.

The Owl's Hoot

MACBETH'S DOWNFALL

by Dale Francis

It is ordinarily a very good characteristic for a person to be ambitious; but in the case of Macbeth, his ambition was his downfall. Macbeth's ambition was far above that of the average person. Macbeth wanted so badly to get ahead in the world that he let his ambition overrule common sense.

The Thane of Cawdor had been executed, and Macbeth was placed in this position. Now, he was in line for the Throne of Scotland. All that was in his way was the eldest son of the King, Malcolm. When Duncan died, Malcolm would be placed on the throne. After Malcolm died, Macbeth would gain the Throne. To be placed on the Throne was Macbeth's ambition in life.

Unfortunately, Macbeth suffered the consequences of any "hen-pecked" husband. His wife was very dominating, and Macbeth had not the courage to resist her "instructions."

After Macbeth was given the position of Thane of Cawdor, Lady Macbeth's evil mind began to contrive a way in which Macbeth would be put on the Throne. Lady Macbeth apparently did not let her conscience bother the thoughts of her mind; therefore, she plotted a method by which she and Macbeth could murder Duncan and not get blamed. Because she wanted to get Macbeth higher in position, she presented the afore mentioned murder plot to him. Because of his ambition, he decided to help her. When the murder was completed, he would be only one step from the Throne.

It is truly a sorrowful thought that a man would allow his ambition to overwhelm him to the extent that it would utterly destroy him—morally and physically.

Walk carefully, and you may be able to avoid that run-down feeling.



This is our Christmas tree in the hall on the first floor. It is a beautifully-shaped tree and was gaily decorated by the students.

Evelyn Gamble: "What do ghosts eat for breakfast?"  
Martha Shelton: "I don't know, what?"  
Evelyn: "Ghost toasties and evaporated milk."

JUNIOR NEWS

by Carolyn Garrison

The Junior class had its regular meeting on Tuesday, December 13. President Larry May appointed Becky Mallow, Edith Miller, Joe Kellum, and Rusty Whitfill to a committee to figure the amount of food to buy for the chicken supper.

It was decided to have play practice on Wednesday night, December 14, at 7:30. If the weather is bad over the weekend during the tournament, the chicken supper will not be held.

The Owl's Hoot

EIGHTH GRADE — MR. SNELL

by Garner Garrison

Ah yes, 'tis only a few more days until we have a couple of glorious free days with no teachers, homework (much), lessons, or school. Is everyone happy?

Well, it seems that this class is having more class meetings than classes. Yes, we had another meeting to discuss the fabulous Christmas Party. We have agreed to have it on the 22nd and to have something to eat. But what? I'll never tell.

Again we were very disappointed because the game we were supposed to play at Tulia was called off because of bad weather.

We are wishing to Raymond Steele a very speedy recovery.

The Owl's Hoot

FIFTH GRADE — MRS. HOLMAN

by Jane Self

We have our Christmas tree up. We are all excited about our Christmas party.

We are studying about Southwest States in geography.

We had a science test today. Some were happy, but some weren't.

The Owl's Hoot

FIFTH GRADE — MRS. BAKER

We have enjoyed this week very much. We are making our mothers a gift for Christmas this week, and we are looking forward to Christmas. We can barely wait for Christmas. Our Christmas tree is pretty with all the decorations on it. We have colored Santa Clauses to put on our windows, and other things, too. We also have a record player that we bought, and Christmas records. We are enjoying them very much, and we wish everybody a Merry Christmas.

The Owl's Hoot

SECOND GRADE — MRS. BOMAR

We have had very good attendance this week. Joe Owens has not come back yet. He has been absent nearly three weeks.

The Owl's Hoot

Everyone enjoyed Tommy's par Monday afternoon. Tommy was will you outlive them?

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This is one of the door scenes which was done by a group of the high school students. Visitors commented that it did much to add to the holiday spirit of all who saw it.

Student Council Sponsors A Money Tree

On Thursday, December 22, at 12:30 p.m., a Christmas Program will be presented to the High School Student Body. It will be sponsored by the Student Council.

The Senior Class is responsible for the refreshments; Junior Class for the program; Sophomore Class for the decorations; and the Freshman Class will clean up.

Instead of the usual exchange of gifts, the Student Council has asked each student to bring 75c or more to be wrapped and put on a Christmas tree. After the program, Joe Anderson, Student Council President, and Robert Rhode, Student Council Vice-President, will take the tree and present it to a needy family.

The following poem guided our thinking:

RECIPE FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS

by Viney Wilder

from STUDENT LIFE

Would you have a merry Christmas? Then this secret you must share. Do something on the quiet for A lonely soul somewhere; Forget yourself occasionally, Take time to get a view Of how the other fellow feels. It may do much for you; Don't try to think in world-wide terms, Just stay within your sphere, You'll find that folks right close to home Have need of kindly cheer. And, now you know the secret, friend, I leave it up to you, This won't become effective 'til It's practiced all year through!

The Owl's Hoot

Take it easy, and drive with care, Where you're going will still be there!

Mr. Santa Claus  
704 Iceburg  
North Pole

Dear Santa:

I have been a nice girl or at least nice once-in-awhile and I don't want much. If I could only have a beauty course, a complete wardrobe, my face lifted and a car I think I could make out fine. Please bring my mother and daddy some money to buy me some more things after Christmas. Oh, and John Howard said to thank you for his car and you aren't such a bad old St. Nick after all.

As always,  
Sue McJimmey

The Owl's Hoot

Sign on back of a compact-type car chugging up hill: "Do not fold, spindle or mutilate."

Don't gamble in traffic. The cars may be stacked against you!

A child may dare, so drive with care.

Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa:

I've been a pretty good kid; except for a few times; I always help with the housework unless some of my friends call me to come over and make mud pies with them.

I really don't want too much for Christmas except a doll with real hair, a little red wagon, some cars, a tiny record player, some doll clothes, a tricycle, and do bring me some candy and fruit. See, that's not too much!

With love,  
Mary Jane Jacobs  
The Owl's Hoot

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

December 22: Joe Patino, Rodolfo Guerrero, Kay Fleming  
December 24: Gary Crow  
December 26: Jerry Stephens, Nena McDaniel  
December 27: Janie Perez  
December 28: Tonda Montague, Kay Rackley

The Owl's Hoot

Santa Claus  
1213 Snow Boulevard  
North Pole

Dear Santa:

I am a small boy 15 years of age. I have been a very good boy even though my mother does not think so. I get up in time for school almost every morning. I even come home at night.

I would like for you to bring me a few simple items for my Christmas presents. The first thing I want you to bring me is an all-day sucker. The next small item I would like is a Pontiac Tempest. If it is possible, please make it blue and white.

The last thing I want for Christmas is a supply of gas that will last until my car is worn out.

Please don't forget me.

Ronnie Hester  
The Owl's Hoot

It's nice to be important, but it's more important to be nice—especially in traffic.

Dear Santa:

You are my favorite movie star! (Next to Rudolph, of course!) I am not really just trying to "butter" you up so you will bring me something great. I am telling you the truth, and I'm a very good girl, too. (Don't believe everything Mother tells you.)

I would like a 10-foot baby doll. I want the doll for one main reason. That reason is that I get tired of looking down all the time and now I want to look up to something for a change. (You know, Santa, that I am tall.)

I would also like a set of tools. You know what I mean, a hammer, a saw, some nails, and all the tools that go in a tool box. My mother doesn't have a broken around the house, so I thought I would be the "Madam Fixit."

Would you please send my little sister a steady boyfriend. I get so tired of hearing her complain about having so many boyfriends that she doesn't know what to do with them all.

The best little girl in the world,  
Sue (Pigtails) Lanham



Christmas Blessings!

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The beautiful home of MRS. CLYDE LIGHTSEY looked as if decorated for an old-fashioned Christmas after the recent snowfall.



A GOOD TREE

It's not necessary to wait until the last minute to get your Christmas tree. In fact, it's smart to get your tree early, when the choice is wide. The important thing is to test the tree for freshness before you buy it. The first test is important. If the tree fails to pass this examination, pass it over and look for another: bounce the butt end of the tree on the ground. If the needles shower down, the tree has already begun to dry out. Next, tug at the needles at the end of the branch. If they pull out easily, the tree has already started to dry out. Rub a finger over the butt end. If it's sticky, the tree is fresh.

Spread the lower branches. If they're springy and bounce back, they will hold the weight of ornaments. Spread out, the lower branches should measure half the height of a tree, the stump should be at least 6 to 7 inches long. Other healthy signs: good color, full needles, a fragrant odor. Warning sign: patches of brown needles, a sign of a sure-fire fire hazard. After buying the tree, cut an inch or two on a slant from the butt, then peel back the bark another inch. Keep tree in a bucket of cool water until you are ready to decorate it. Water is the key to keeping the tree fresh.

BARGAIN DAYS END DECEMBER 31

Bargain days for a number of the daily papers will end December 31.

Special rate for the Amarillo Daily News is \$13.50 for daily and Sunday papers within a 150-mile radius.

Lubbock Avalanche Journal special rate is \$14.95 for the daily and Sunday papers. This newspaper is now arriving in Silverton earlier, at 11:30 a.m. every weekday.

Fort Worth Star Telegram special rate is \$15.75 for daily and Sunday papers. Active ministers, teachers and school libraries may receive the Star Telegram for \$12.00 a year.

Annual bargain rate for the Wichita Falls Record News daily and Sunday papers is \$13.75.

These special prices will be in effect until December 31. Special rates mean a \$4.00 to \$5.00 saving to subscribers, so do it today!

Dr. and Mrs. P. Y. Muckleroy of Dallas, spent the weekend here with their son, Dr. and Mrs. Robert N. Muckleroy, and children.

Visitors at Silverton Church of Christ with Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Thornton last Sunday were Charlotte Batten, and Mr. and Mrs. James Lilly, of Cohoma, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Edwards of Lubbock. Mr. and Mrs. Lilly also visited her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Rowell. The Edwards visited his mother, Mrs. Edwards, while here.

ABOUT HOLLY

The popularity of holly as a Christmas decoration is not merely because the plant retains its prickly green leaves and bright red berries after winter's cold has withered other forest greenery.

Before the Christmas, Romans sent gifts of holly to friends to mark the December festival of Saturn. The superstitious Druids kept holly in their dwellings, as an invitation to the "spirits" to enter and seek shelter from winter cold and winter winds. The early Germans used holly in an observance which marked the return of the sun from its southward pilgrimage.

In medieval times, holly was used as a remedy to treat a variety of aches and ailments. Some early American Indians even attached twigs of holly to their shields, in the belief that some special powers within the holly would make them more formidable in battle.

Holly, like mistletoe, is surrounded by legends and superstitions, dating back to pagan rites and rituals. We moderns attach no particular significance to our use of holly as a Christmas decoration — other than that it is "traditional" and "pretty." Yet, we use so much more holly than our ancestors used that today the plant has all but disappeared in some sections of the country.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Thornton will spend Christmas in Manhattan, Kansas, with their daughter and family, the Bill Kennedys.

THINGS TO COME

There is a day coming when Christ's voice will be heard again "Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth." (John 5:28-29).

There is a day coming when every eye shall see Jesus. "Behold he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth." (Rev. 1:7).

There is a day coming when every soul will stand before Jesus. "And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another." (Matt. 25:32; 2 Cor. 5:10).

There is a day coming when Jesus will say "Come" to the obedient and "depart" to the disobedient. "Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come. (Matt. 25:34). Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me." (Matt. 25:41).

There is a day coming when the disobedient will depart from God forever and when the obedient will abide with Him forever. "And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal." (Matt. 25:46).

The Bible is true. These things are coming. What is in store for you? Are YOU ready for that day? Have you obeyed Jesus? (See Mark 16:16). If you have obeyed Him are you NOW faithful to Him? We are all moving rapidly forward. Eternity will soon be upon us. When that time comes all we have must be left behind and we must stand before Him who loved us so much He gave Himself for us. But if we spurn His invitation now He can do none else but reject us then. Whither are you going? We urge you to come worship with us at the Silverton Church of Christ.

L. L. Thornton, Minister

CHURCH OF CHRIST

SILVERTON, TEXAS

Select Toys That Suit Children; Not Their Parents

Many parents forget when choosing a child's toy for Christmas that the use of the toy is the most important thing to consider.

Adults are inclined to choose toys that appeal to them, forgetting to consider what the child might like and what would be most practical.

For instance, intricate windup toys have a limited use since they do only one thing and are very apt to get broken quickly.

Useful Toys

A toy with a variety of uses would be best. Blocks and other construction toys can be used in many games and do not break easily. Boys enjoy dump trucks and transportation toys, while girls like toys that imitate mother's appliances.

Beautifully dressed, expensive dolls are a temptation, but most little girls like a doll that can be handled and carried about with them.

They are noisy, but peg boards, hammers and construction toys are popular with the pre-school set. They like active toys—wagons, toy horses and sleds.

School-age children like games with numbers and letters, crayons, pencil boxes and notebooks. Books are popular and will provide much quiet entertainment.

For Girls

Little girls like to play dress-up and it is a clever parent who can fashion an inexpensive gift by cutting off old clothes to fit the children and find old gloves, shoes and hats.

Above all, however, consider appeal to the child rather than to the adult.

Wrapping Hints

Do you have trouble gift-wrapping such items as vases and bottles? If so, aluminum foil will solve your problem. The foil molds easily to the shape and makes a very attractive package when set off with a pretty bow.

Don't Overdo It

Be careful not to overdo your outdoor decorations. Your house and yard might end up looking like an amusement park. Even the most expensive decorations will have this effect if not used in good taste. Harmony and simplicity are the key words in planning an attractive outdoor display.

Make Candle Fit

Often a candle is too large for the opening in the candlestick. To remedy this, dip the base of the candle in very hot water, then press it gently into the holder.

Plant Your Tree

Why not plant that living Christmas tree after you are through with it this year? Be sure to get it in the ground as soon as possible after Christmas. The sooner it is planted, the better chance it will have to survive.

Original Gift

Want to give mother and her little girl an original gift? Make them both aprons of similar design and material. Make one for the doll, too.

A Solution

Christmas shopping bags always seem to fall over when set down. But there's a solution. Place the top of a cardboard shoe box in the bottom of the bag.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 8 years old. I try to be good. Please bring me a doll and a record player and a doll house. Also some candy, fruit and nuts.

Love,

Leila Jo McPherson



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Christmas Music

Many are aware that the famous hymn "Silent Night" was written by Joseph Mohr, a German priest, but the origin of some of our other Christmas music is not so well remembered. "O Come All Ye Faithful" is a Portuguese hymn written in the thirteenth century. "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" and "Joy To The World" were written by Englishmen, Charles Wesley and Isaac Watts, respectively.

Nothing is as easy to make as a promise this winter to do something next spring; this is how the commencement speakers are caught.

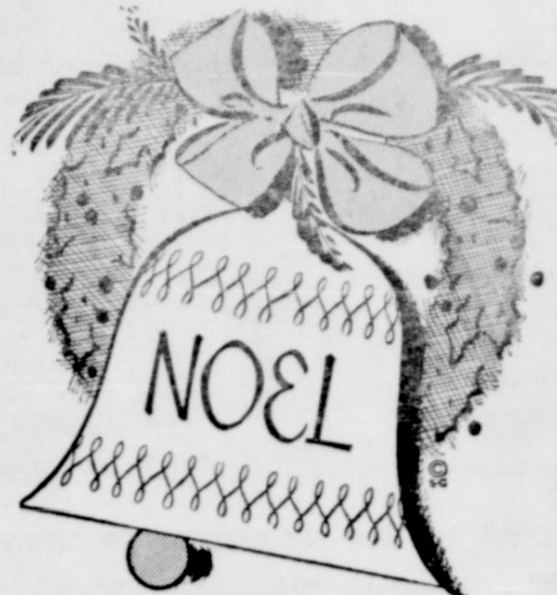
More people might live to a ripe old age if they weren't so busy preparing for it.

Christmas Recipe

Take equal amounts of joy and peace; mix well until thoroughly blended. Spread evenly across the whole world. Add equal amounts of faith and hope. No other ingredients are needed, except, perhaps, a prayer to insure there will be a generous share for all.

Tree Trimming

In most things, one has to start at the bottom and work up. This is not true when decorating a Christmas tree. Trees are much easier to trim from the top down than from the bottom up. The tree trimmer who starts elsewhere runs not only the risk of knocking off some of the ornaments but as well the danger of knocking over the tree.



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### Brownies a la Caramel

*By Betty Barclay*

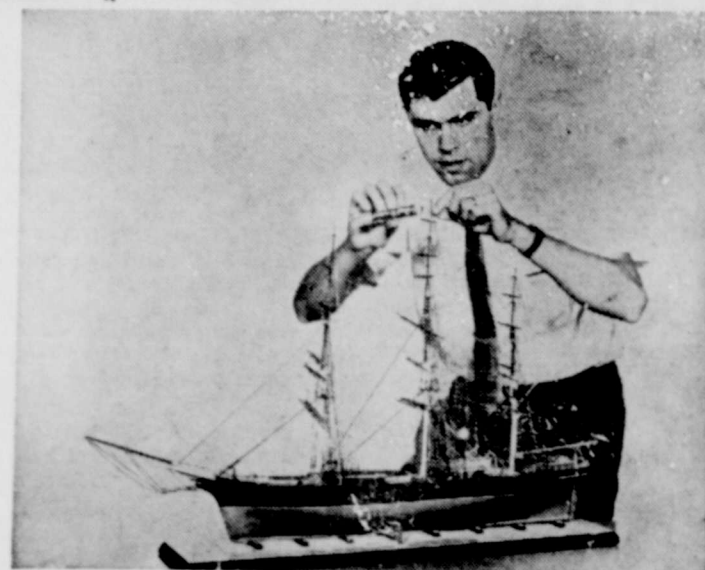
IF you want to make friends and influence people, bake a pan of your favorite brownies. Then make a caramel glaze the easy way, with caramel chips. Spread the glaze over the brownies and serve with a scoop of ice cream. They — and you — will be a sensation!

**Caramel Brownie Glaze**  
 1 tablespoon butter; 2 tablespoons hot water; 1/2 cup (3 ounces) caramel chips; 1/2 cup sifted confectioners' sugar.

Combine butter, hot water, and chips in a small saucepan. Cook over very low heat, stirring constantly, until chips melt. Remove from heat and add confectioners' sugar. Blend until smooth. Spread over brownie bars. Makes 1/2 cup glaze, or enough for the top of a 13x9x2-inch cake or pan of brownies.



SILVERTON CHURCH OF CHRIST will have special Christmas Services this Sunday. Gordon Downing of Canyon will deliver the message. Bible Study begins at 9:45 a.m., Worship Services at 10:45 a.m., and evening Worship will be held at 6:00 p.m.



GIFT FOR BOYS . . . The faces of many a boy and man will light up bright as the Christmas tree if they find a scale model kit come Christmas morning. Shown above is a model of the famed Cutty Sark clipper ship. Measuring nearly three feet in length, the kit was designed from blueprints of the fastest clipper ship of the middle 19th century.

## STUFFED Turkey

How will you stuff your holiday turkey? One certain way of insuring a successful Christmas dinner is to include generous servings of appetizing and tempting stuffing.

No matter what method you select to cook your turkey, you will find carefully prepared savory stuffing a popular part of your menu. Turkey without stuffing is like a cake without frosting.

Every family has a FAVORITE recipe for stuffing turkey or other fowl. We would like to share a stuffing recipe with an exciting taste . . . a special holiday treat.

Here's how you go about it; but be sure to remember that stuffing expands during the roasting process. So be careful not to over-stuff the bird:

- Wild Rice 'n Franks Stuffing**  
 1/2 cup chopped onion  
 4 tbsps. butter  
 1 cup chopped mushrooms  
 1/2 tspn. thyme  
 1/2 lb. skinless frankfurters sliced in strips

- 3 cups par-boiled wild rice  
 1 tspn. salt  
 2 beaten eggs

NOTE: You may use fresh, canned or dried mushrooms. Dried mushrooms should be soaked overnight and thoroughly washed before using.

Par-boil wild rice until it is almost soft. Drain thoroughly. Roasting time will be sufficient to make rice completely palatable. Saute onion in 2 tablespoons butter until lightly brown and set aside. Cook the mushrooms in remaining 2 tablespoons of butter for about 5 minutes, stirring constantly, and remove from pan. Beat eggs slightly. Slice SKINLESS frankfurters in strips, and brown lightly in drippings. Remove from heat and toss all ingredients, including sausage, onion, mushrooms, wild rice, beaten eggs and seasonings. Stuff bird between crop and tail. This will make about 5 cups, enough for a 10-pound, ready-to-serve turkey.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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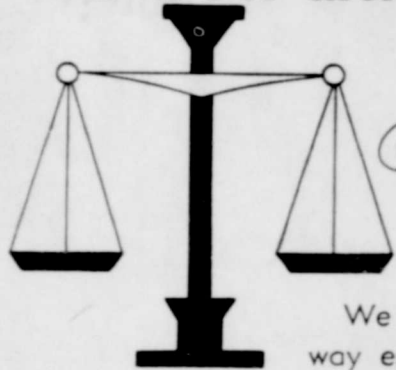


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### Quilts Locals

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Morris were in Childress on business Monday.

Mrs. Wayne Morrison, BoBo and Neva Dale, Mrs. Ruby Cushingberry and Bailey Eddleman were in Plainview Saturday.

Misses Ina and Una Bradshaw visited their brother, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Bradshaw, at South Plains Saturday.

Mr. Bert Lane of Plainview visited with Mrs. W. E. Morrison Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Price and children were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Price and Christie in Amarillo Saturday.

Mrs. E. D. Richmond of Turkey and Mary Ellen McCracken, visited Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hamner Sunday afternoon.

Lynn Dale McDonald, who is attending school at Howard Payne in Brownwood, came home Friday to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. George McAlavey of Plomot spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Harvey.

Mrs. J. N. Hamilton and Mrs. Ida Shelton were visiting in Turkey Friday. Mrs. Hamilton visited her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Setliff, and Mrs. Shelton visited with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Kerr Hamilton spent the weekend with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Meeks, and family of Fort Worth.

Mr. Robert Hamilton of Amarillo visited Tuesday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norville Hamilton.

Mr. Boone McCracken and Mary Ellen McCracken were in Matador Wednesday on business.



May the Holy Spirit born in Bethlehem bless your home, and bring to you and yours all the heart-warming joy of a very Merry Christmas.

## WILLSON-NICHOLS LUMBER CO



# HAPPY HOLIDAYS

We hope your joys are many and your troubles few...  
A very Merry Christmas from all of us to you!

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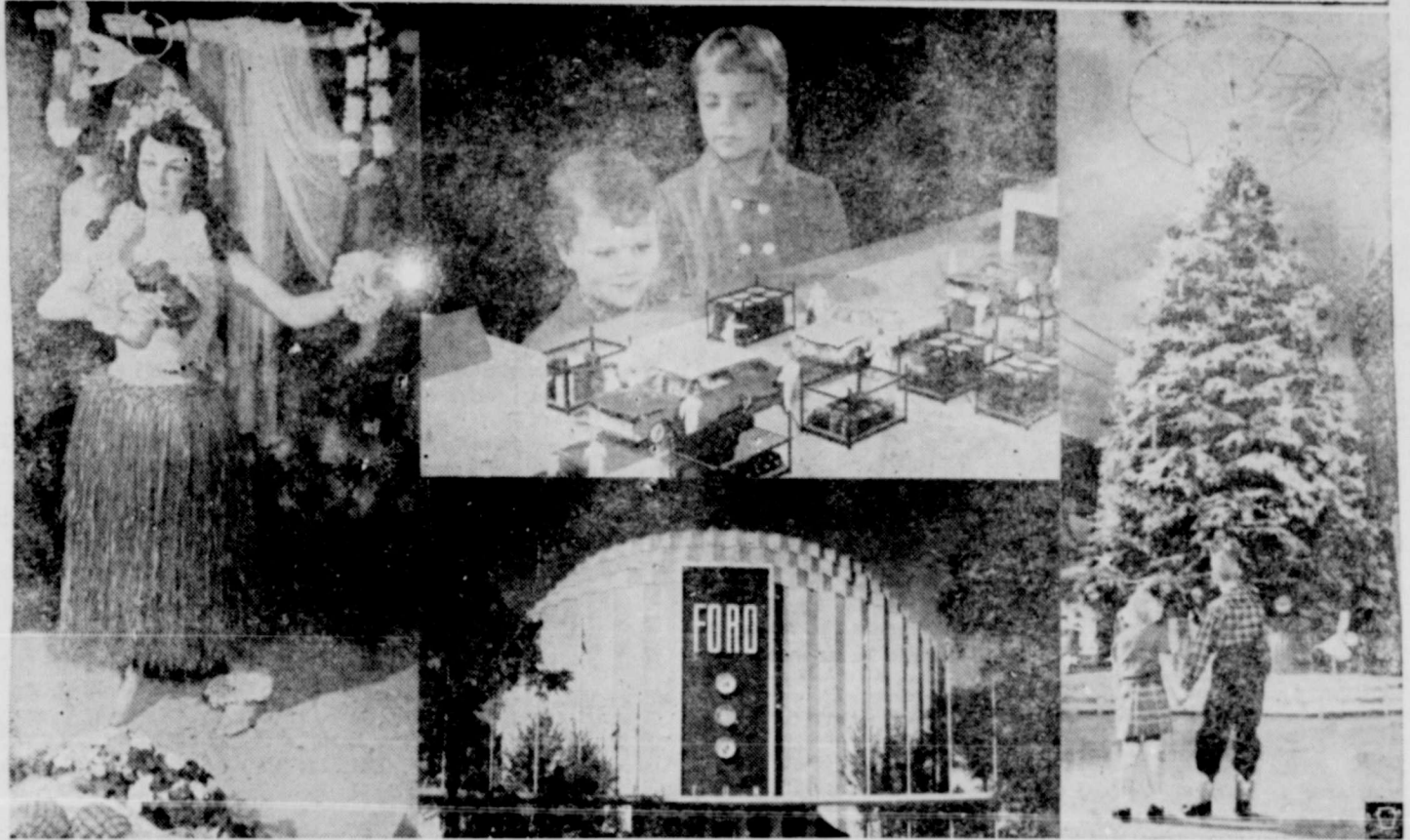


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and various other subjects. Adjoining the Rotunda is the world's smallest auto test track, a one-mile circuit over which visitors may ride in Ford products. Shown here are portions of three 1960 Rotunda features: an Hawaiian scene honoring the newest state (left); a miniature auto assembly line (top); and the annual Christmas Fantasy (right). There is no admission charge at the Rotunda or for tours of Ford's vast Rouge plant which originate at the Rotunda.



FIRST METHODIST CHURCH of Silverton will hold special Christmas Services at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday. There will be no Sunday School classes and no evening services will be conducted. Rev. Frank Story will fill the pulpit for the Christmas Service.

Mrs. J. T. Persons and Mrs. Morris, accompanied him home to Charles Gowin were visiting in Amarillo Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hawkins

Ray Don King, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill King, of Colorado Springs, who is attending school at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, came by Thursday and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Buddie and children of Lubbock came Friday to see his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Hawkins of Turkey, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John King. His father, Mr. Hawkins, was very ill in the hospital at Matador.



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#### Time To Reflect

In the midst of it all, with once-ornate decorations reduced to floor litter, with toys scattered all about the house, in the tumult and the din of it all, there should be one moment for quiet meditation, for reflection, and for thanksgiving; not for the gifts, nor the well-wishes of the givers; but instead for another Christmas—lest we forget the real purpose of it all.

#### Golden Bough

The "golden bough" which the legendary Aeneas is fabled to have plucked to insure his safe journey to the nether-world most likely was the green mistletoe with its white berries. The ancients credited mistletoe with many strange powers. In reality, mistletoe does have medicinal properties. Its active ingredient is guipsonic, which relieves hypertension, a common ailment of old age.



**BUSY BUYERS . . .** Scenes like the one above are repeated all over the land at this time of the year as holiday gift shoppers throng in and out of department stores, toy shops, and gift centers. This is part of the fun of getting ready for Christmas — and the crowded streets and stores only seem to add to the enthusiasm.

Mr. Boone McCracken, Mrs. W. J. Carter, Mrs. C. M. Wells and Mary Ellen McCracken were in Memphis last Friday on business.

Miss Joyce King and Danny spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry King at Silverton.

Mr. John King and Jerry King of Silverton, were in Plainview on business Saturday.

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**CHRISTMAS**  
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its friendliness, its  
hope — and above all,  
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## ABOUT HOLLY

Superstitious Britons considered it unlucky to bring holly into the house before Christmas Eve. Even today, the superstition persists that if the leaves of holly brought into a home at Christmas are smooth (rather than rough) the wife will "rule" the household during the following year.

Nowadays, to say "impossible" always puts you on the losing side.

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## Community Tree

The custom of community Christmas trees, which will be observed this year by thousands of towns and cities, started in 1909 in Pasadena, California, when citizens erected a tree on Mount Wilson.

The first National Christmas Tree was set up on the Capitol steps in 1923 and came from Vermont.

The tallest Christmas on record was erected by the Northgate Community near Seattle in 1950. It was 221 feet tall when cut. After trimming, it weighed 25 tons and towered 212 feet in the air.

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH of Silverton invites you to worship Christmas Sunday. Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m., Worship Service is at 11:00 a.m., Training Union at 6:00 p.m., and Worship will be at 7:00 p.m. Christmas Services will be conducted by the Rev. Don Ledbetter, who is visiting here from California.

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## ABOUT DECORATIONS

Keep the following points in mind when decorating your home for the Yule season.

1. Include some symbol of the season in your decoration plans. A Nativity scene would be ideal. Have some kind of religious decoration or your decorations will be incomplete.

2. Encourage your children to help in the decorating.

3. Fresh flowers such as blooming poinsettias add that extra

something to your arrangements.

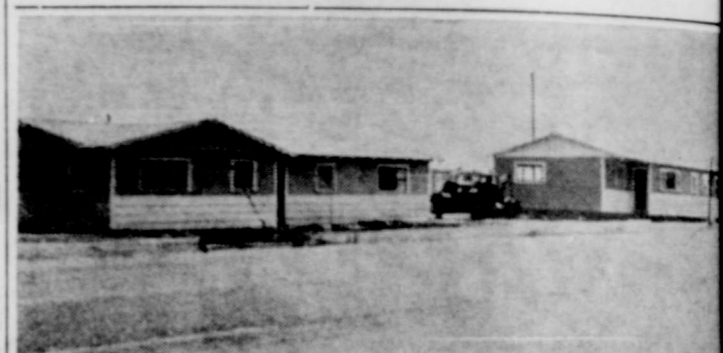
4. All decorations should be monize.

5. Keep them simple.

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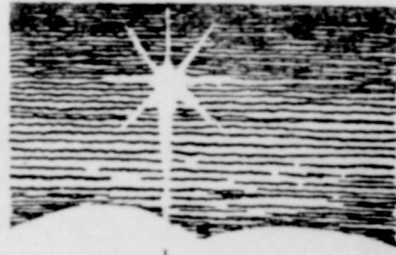


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# Let all the Earth be Silent

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that we all share a  
common feeling of waiting,  
watching, and hushed expectations.  
It is the time of  
anticipation and merry making  
and, more important than all,  
It is the remembrance of the miraculous  
Peace of God that  
descended into all the Earth  
two thousand years ago to  
prepare it for the  
birth of a Savior.

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**SOME Facts**

What species of evergreen is best for use as a Christmas tree? Forestry experts and U.S. Department of Agriculture experts say that there is no "all-round" best species.

Here are some facts about the most common species which may be helpful in selecting the right tree for your home:

**Balsam fir**—once the most commonly used, is now relatively scarce. It has short, flat, dark green needles attached to opposite sides of the limbs in a feather-like arrangement.

**Top Tree**  
 Douglas fir—the top commercial tree. It has blue-green or dark yellow-green needles, soft and pliable, attached all the way around the limbs, giving it a bushy, full appearance.

**Scotch pine**—long needled variety. It has needles which are arranged in clusters on the branches. It holds its needles exceptionally well.

**Black spruce**—a hardy tree, but has a dark, un-Christmasy color. It is widely used for dyed and treated trees.

**White spruce**—another hardy, attractive tree, but unfortunately it gives off an unpleasant odor.

Some things to look for in selecting a tree: retention of needles; full symmetrical shape; limbs without sagging; fragrant odor, springy branches.

**HOLLY A'PLENTY**

That prized holly tree you have been nursing for years can probably stand heavier cuttings for holiday gifts than most home owners realize, horticulturists report.

Tests show that English holly especially can be cut rather severely over a period of years without reducing total yield or damaging the tree. Appearance of the tree, rather than possible damage, can pretty well dictate the extent of pruning.

In addition to cutting holly for gifts, the home owner may often be approached by professional holly cutters wishing to buy holly.

Properly done, this pruning can serve to improve the shape and maintain the size of the tree.

Owners should be cautioned, however, to be sure the cutters are professionals.



May you and all your loved ones be blessed with life's finest gifts — love, health, happiness and joyful success.

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**ATTRACTION . . .** There's something about a Christmas tree, burning brightly in the night, that warms the heart, no matter how chilly the weather may be. Reflected against a background of city lights, this tree is a colorful reminder of the significance of this great holiday season.

**Doctoring Dolls Rewarding Task**

Tears filled the eyes of a little girl as she handed her doll to the "doctor."

"My Nancy is hurt. Can you help her?"

"Don't worry," the doctor told her. "Nancy will be all right." And one hour later Nancy was all right.

The "doctor" who worked this non-medical miracle is one of the nation's foremost experts in the forgotten art of repairing dolls—Irving Chase.

"Doctor Chase" handles "patients" from all over the globe, but most of them come from New York, his home base.

**Handed Down**

Doll repair has been the Chase family's vocation for at least three generations. Irving Chase learned from his father and grandfather, the latter of whom repaired dolls in Germany.

Chase is referred to by his customers as "Doctor Irving." He refers to the dolls as "patients" and calls his assistants "nurses." During a typical day Chase does everything from repairing a damaged head to complete refinishing a doll's surface (skin).

His busiest season is from December through February. In December, dolls are brought in to be repaired so they can be used as Christmas gifts. Following Christmas, his "hospital" is literally swamped with newly broken dolls.



Our sincere wish that all the Blessings of Christmas abide with you.

**CITY OF SILVERTON**

OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES



It is a pleasure to express our heartfelt thanks for the honor of serving you during the past year . . .



May you have a Christmas of bountiful happiness.

**HARVEST QUEEN GRAIN**

AND EMPLOYEES

**Mighty Mistletoe**

Perhaps the reason that most young ladies do not object too strongly to paying the penalty for standing beneath the mistletoe stems from an ancient superstition—that the maiden who was not kissed at least one time beneath the mistletoe at Christmas would not be married in the following year. In olden times, a berry was plucked from the mistletoe with each kiss.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl two years old. I have tried to be good. Will you bring me a "Baby Tootles" doll and a horse. Don't forget to bring Sue Lynn her Pollyanna doll. And Santa, please bring "Nona" a pair of pajamas so she won't freeze this winter.

I love you,  
Robbie Martin

Dear Santa Claus:

Santa, I have tried to be a good little girl, and have worked hard in school, so will you please bring me a "Pollyanna" doll and a wardrobe for her. Don't forget all the other little boys and girls. If you don't have a Pollyanna doll, any kind will be fine.

I love you,  
Sue Lynn Allard

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 3½ years old. My sister is 2. I would like for you to bring me a road grader, bulldozer and record player. My little sister would like a baby doll and a big stuffed dog. We would like some fruit and nuts, too. Don't forget all the other boys and girls.

Love,  
Scott and Dara Garvin



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May the Christmas Star  
bring you the Gifts of Faith,  
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We wish you a  
Joyous and Blessed Christmas!



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**"Super" Waiting For Santa**



(Photo Courtesy Canadian National Railways)  
THE TREE IS TRIMMED: "Super" has snow underfoot and even a sprinkling of it on his back. Now all he needs are his presents and these will be forthcoming at the proper time from his boss and pal, Jack Wilkinson, outfitter and fishing guide in Algonquin Park, in northern Ontario. "Super" has lived around Wilkinson's Kish Kaduk lodge since he was a tiny fawn and each Christmas, Jack decorates a tree for his pet deer and several other little wild animals, including a shy fox and an aggressive raccoon, with whom Wilkinson has made friends.

**Tree Customs**

The Christmas tree custom was started in the United States by Hessian soldiers fighting with the British Army in 1776. German immigrants who later came to this country continued the custom as they had done in the "old country." Christmas trees were in general use in America by the mid-eighteenth century. The first White House Lawn Christmas tree appeared in 1823, placed there by President Calvin Coolidge.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little girl and would love to have a baby doll with a pink dress and hat and a pink bed. Don't forget my little sister, Susan, who wants a baby doll and a buggy.

Love,  
Christi Northeutt

Naturally there is a lot of confusion about outer space, since the only people who really understand it are about ten years old and busy with school, Cub Scouts, and piano lessons.

Skiing is best when you have lots of white snow and plenty of Blue Cross.

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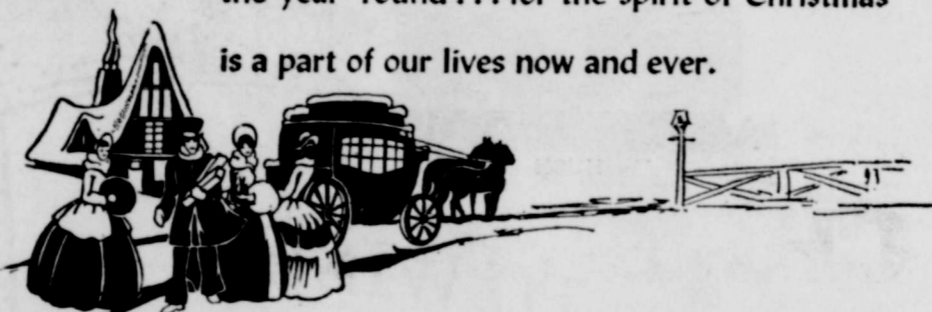
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Nothing is more irritating than not being invited to a party you wouldn't be caught dead at.

*a Glad Christmas*

May you be among those who enjoy Christmas  
the year 'round... for the spirit of Christmas  
is a part of our lives now and ever.

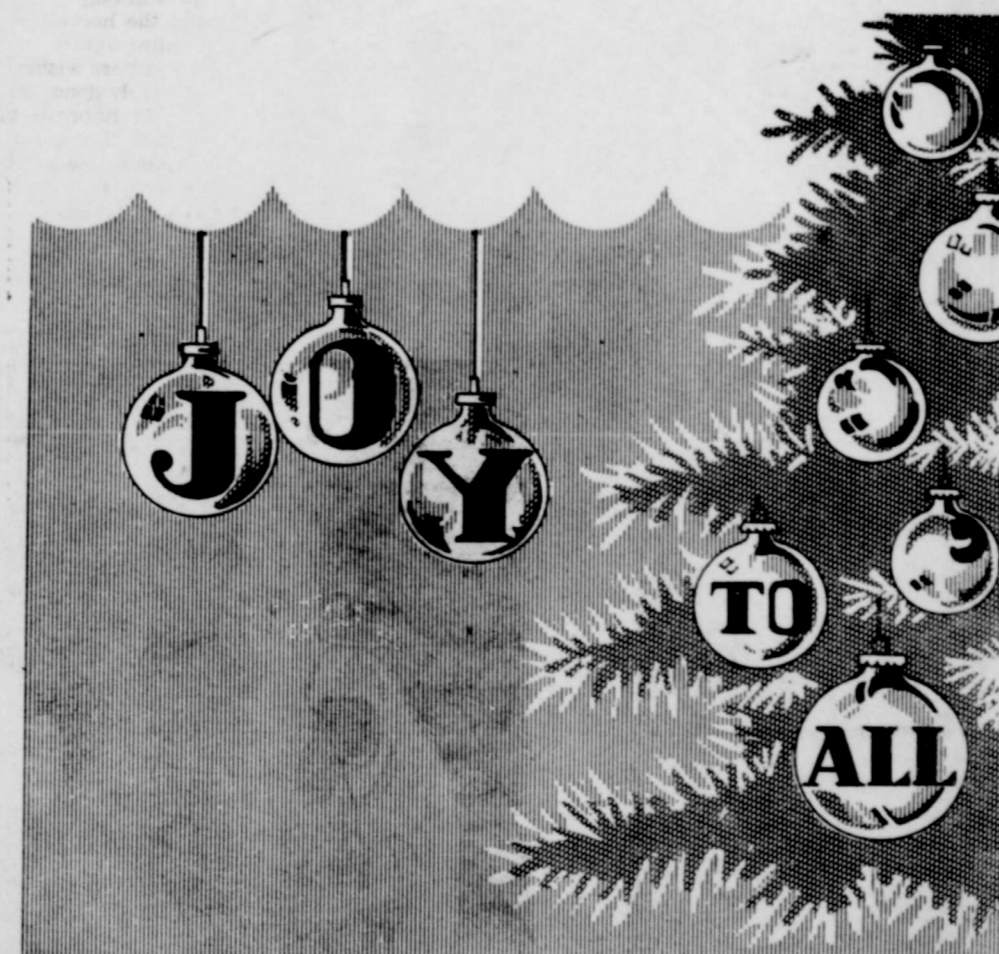


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Dear Santa Claus:

I want a popcorn popper push toy and a musical dog, if you would.

Kimberly Hutsell

p.s. Don't bring nuts because I am a baby.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a life-size baby doll. I am in hopes you will have a merry, merry Christmas. I am sure I will.

Ruby Norris

p.s. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Dear Santa Claus:

You know I have a new brother, John. He can't talk, but I think he needs a book and a top for Christmas.

I need a doll bed, the kind that has one on top of another. Patsy and Karen need new dresses. They need a high chair, too. I would like a ready mix food set to make some cookies and cakes.

Thank you for all the nice presents you brought me last year.

Barbara Ledbetter

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl one year old. I have been a good little girl this year.

I would like to have a doll, some dishes and some story books. I would also like to have some pajamas with feet in them.

Don't forget all the other little girls and boys.

Your little friend,  
Becky Perkins

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl 7 years old and in the second grade.

Please bring me a record player, a blue bicycle, a doll with a wardrobe and a set of dishes with cake mix. Also, some fruit, candy and nuts.

Don't forget my teacher, Miss Anna Lee, and all the other little girls and boys.

Love,  
Phyllis Crow

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl nearly 4 years old. I want you to bring me some training wheels, a bride doll, a wash cloth to wash my baby face, and bring my friend, Quin, a chemical set and anything he wants and candy and nuts. I have been a good little girl. My daddy will open the door for you when you come. Please come to see all the kids.

I love you,  
Julia Jane Dickerson

Dear Santa Claus:

I think we've been good boys this year, anyway, we've tried to be good.

I would like a chemistry set and football. My little brother would like a farm set and guns. And if you have plenty, a bag of candy, nuts and fruit. Santa, don't forget the other little boys and girls. Please remember my grandparents and Mama Turner. Mama and Daddy have been good also.

God bless you, Santa, and thank you,

Jackie and Gene Davis

p.s. You will find coffee and cherry pie on our table. I won't leave directions, but you can find it.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a nurse set, a wind-up bear that shakes salt and pep-

per on his eggs, and I will buy you some nuts at the grocery store.

Jill Hutsell

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring a cattle truck, a dump truck, and a cement mixer truck to us. We would each like a smoke rifle so we can shoot all the tigers in our basement. We also want a log cabin play house.

Please bring our baby sister, Tracy, a rattle or two. We hope you visit all the children all over the world.

Love,  
Cris and Bret Gill

Dear Santa Claus:

I'm trying awfully hard to be a good girl, so you'll bring me a Tiny Tears doll, doll bed, table

and chairs, blackboard set and lots of goodies.

Carol Ann Reeves

p.s. Santa, please don't forget to bring all my little friends something, too.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a first grade boy, 6 years old.

I would like for you to bring me a Kener's Building set, and a B-B Gun and a big rubber ball, and a pair of school shoes, some fruit and nuts.

Thank you,  
Marvin Self

Dear Santa Claus:

I know you're probably busy and tired, but I just want to ask you

one more time if I could have a little biddy bicycle. I asked you at Pampa in that store and you said okay, but I didn't want you to forget. Don't forget my little sister, Lee Ann.

I sure wish you would bring her some guns, 'cause she's always getting into mine. I guess she'd like to have a baby doll, too.

Don't forget all the little boys and girls everywhere, Santa Claus, 'cause they are all looking for you too. Thanks for all the nice things you brought last year and Merry Christmas to you and Mrs. Claus.

Bye for now,  
Ty Wayne McMurtry

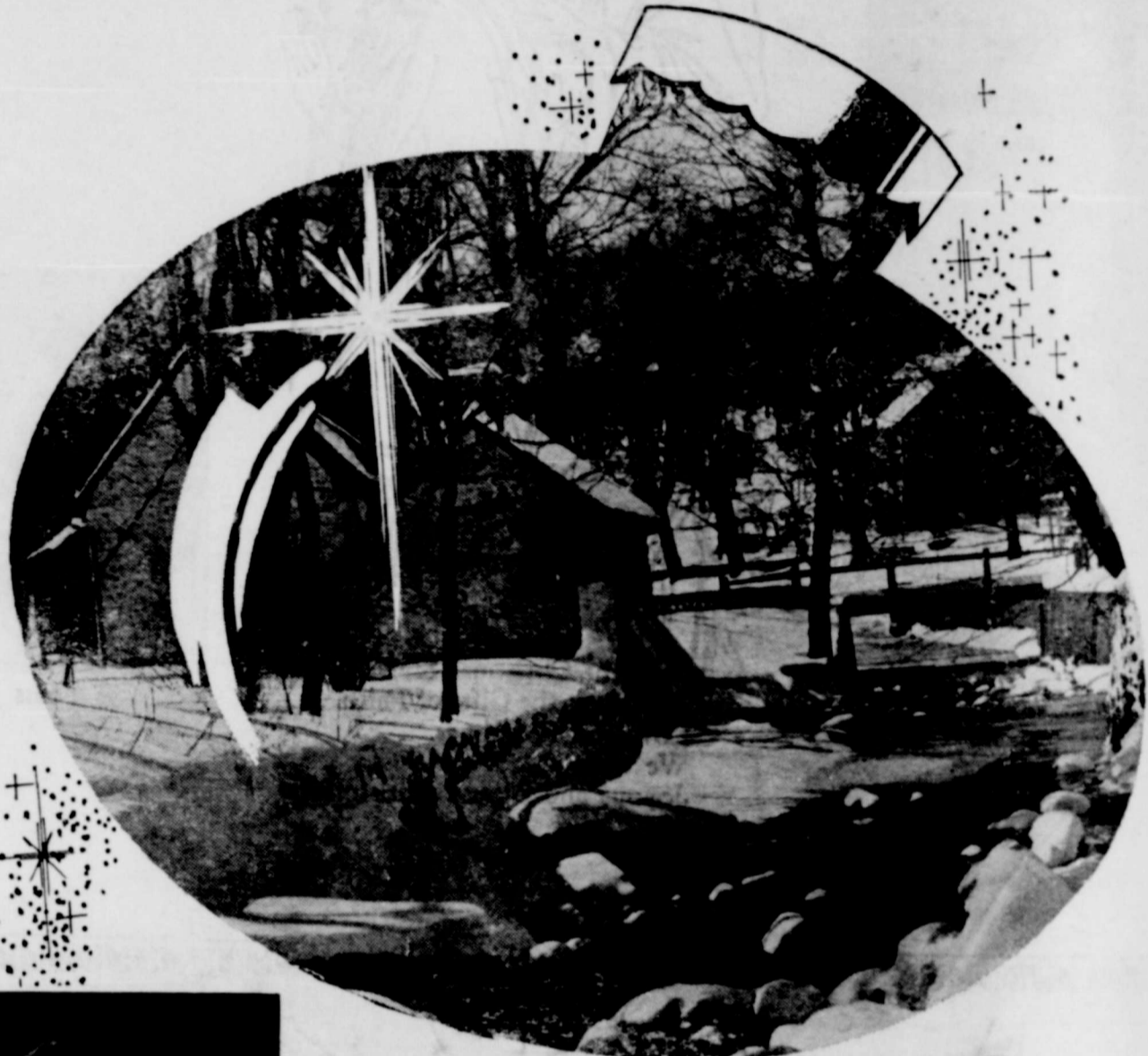
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Santa Claus,  
sing for you  
nice things  
and Merry  
Mrs. Claus.

Dear Santa Claus:  
My name is Randy Grantham. I am 7 years old. I have been a good boy. I want a "Punch Me," a Mat-ell Shooting Rifle, and a truck transport set.  
I have a little brother 2 years old named Kelley. He has been a good boy. He wants a rocking horse and a few records.  
See you Christmas,  
Randy Grantham

little girl. Would you please bring me a bunk-twin bed for my doll and 3 pair of pants size 7 and 3 shirts size 6x, and a stereo-record player and a pogo stick and some candy in my Christmas stocking and 1 dress. I am in the 2nd grade.  
Love,  
Fay Lynette Martin

doll, a doll bed, some "blue willow" dishes just like Nanny's and an ironing board with a real little electric iron. Leave some surprises in my stocking.  
Thank you for the top you left last year and remember all of the other little children.  
Love,  
Kaedeane Bomar

won't torment Kaedeane.  
I think a new red wagon, a pair of cowboy boots and a truck with some cows in it would do the trick.  
Thank you for the toys you left me last year. Don't forget to leave some surprises in my stocking, too.  
Love,  
Kelly Bomar

like a road grader, helicopter, tools tractor and trailer. I will be at Silverton at Grumpy's or PaPa's house Christmas.  
Please bring Craig something to play with, too. Don't forget Nanette, Suzette, and all the other boys and girls.  
Your friend,  
Chris Breedlove  
Lubbock, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am 8 years old. I am a good

Please bring me a Tiny Tears

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy 3 years old. My mother says to bring me something to interest me enough so I

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy three years old. I have been pretty good this year. Please bring me a toy station for Christmas. I would also

Nor rain, nor sleet, nor snarling hounds, nor aching feet, nor spills can stay the postman from his rounds, delivering my bills.



HOLIDAY DRESS . . . This may or may not be the homeland of Santa Claus. But it is a scene that is typical of the Christmas season. Trees bend down their branches under weight of winter's snow and in the distance a white-capped mountain rises into the sky.

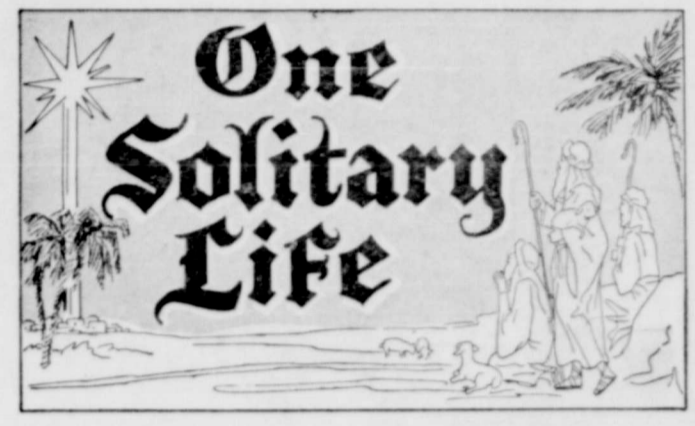


**H**OME FOR CHRISTMAS... where every gleam of candlelight, every crimson berry, every gay and glad "Hello" helps make your Holiday so bright, Your Christmas so Merry!

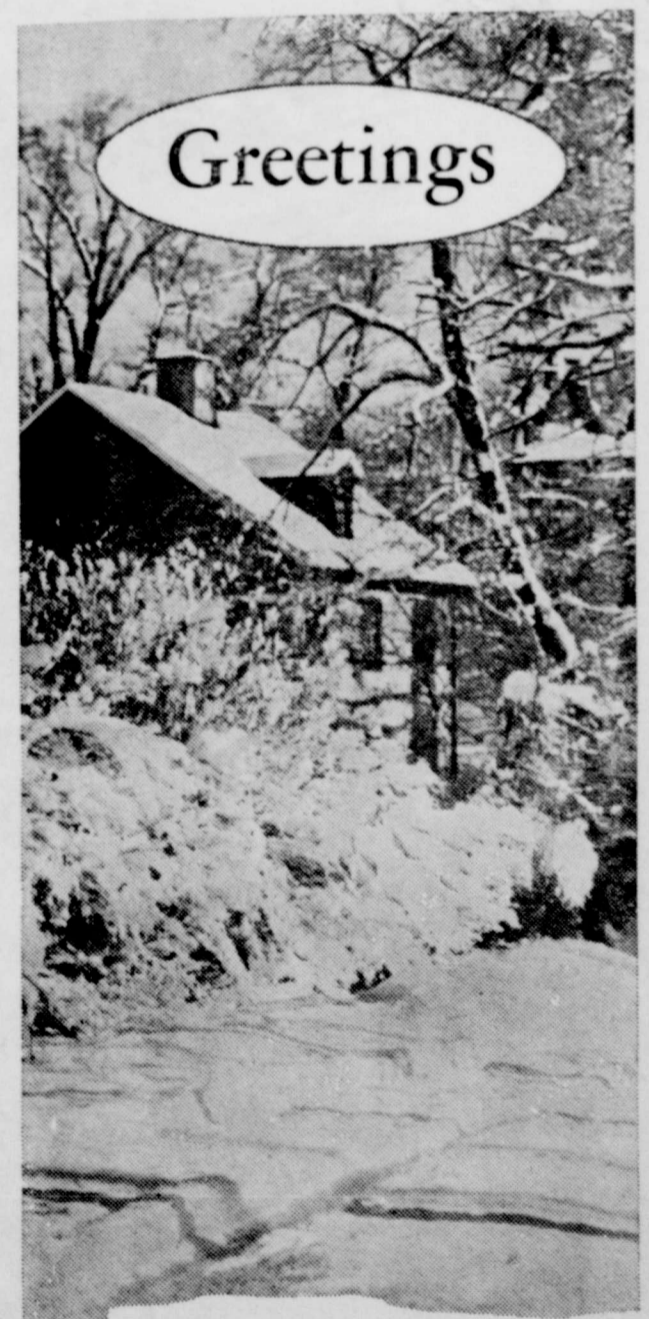
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Here is a young man who was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. He grew up in another village. He worked in a carpenter shop until he was thirty, and then for three years he was an itinerant preacher. He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never owned a home. He never had a family. He never went to college. He never put his foot inside a big city. He never traveled 200 miles from the place where he was born. He never did one of the things that usually accompany greatness. He had no credentials but himself.  
While he was still a young man, the tide of public opinion turned against him. His friends ran away. He was turned over to his enemies. He went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. While he was dying, his executioners gambled for the only piece of property he had on earth, and that was his coat.  
... When he was dead, he was laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend.  
Nineteen centuries have come and gone, and today he is the central figure of the human race and the leader of the column of progress.  
I am far within the mark when I say that all the armies that ever marched, and all the navies that ever sailed, and all the parliaments that ever sat, and all the kings that ever reigned, put together, have not affected the life of man upon the earth as has that ONE SOLITARY LIFE.  
—Author Unknown



Greetings

It wouldn't be Christmas if we didn't get in touch and extend our greetings to those we like so very much... Have an old-fashioned Very Merry Christmas!

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#### W.S.C.S. MEETS IN NANCE HOME

The W.S.C.S. of the Methodist Church met in the home of Mrs. Hugh Nance on December 14, at 2:30 p.m. for their annual Christmas party. A wonderful Christmas program consisting of the nativity scene, Christmas hymns, and a reading by Mrs. D. Oneal, was presented. Mrs. Bill Edwards conducted the program.

The Christmas tree with exchange of gifts was enjoyed by the twenty-one present. Several of the members brought guests, whom we enjoyed having very much.

Refreshments of fruitcake, fruit salad and spiced tea were served by the hostess.



You don't have to spend all your money to have a beautifully-decorated home at Christmas. Use ingenuity. Make most of your own decorations. In addition to the savings, you'll find that it's fun—and highly satisfying.

For example, stir up your own tree ornaments in a mixing bowl. Combine plastic starch and laundry detergent to make a stiff mixture. Then make frosty icicles by dipping bobby pins into the mixture. A loop of string tied through the closed end of the bobby pin serves as a handle for the dipping and as a hangar to put it on the tree.

Burned out flash or light bulbs make lovely tree balls if painted in gay colors. Stick on colorful seals, sequins, or ribbons for a finishing touch.

Popcorn strings, an old favorite, are colorful Christmas-tree ropes if you pop the corn two or three days before stringing, and dip it in a thin sugar syrup colored with vegetable coloring.

Save lids from paper ice cream cups, then trim by pasting on colored designs cut from old Christmas greeting cards. To hang, slip a paper clip or wire through a hole punched in the tab of the lid.

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## Christmas Prayer

Almighty God, Who hast given us Thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon Him, and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin; Grant that we being regenerate, and made Thy Children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by Thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the same Spirit ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

—The Book of Common Prayer

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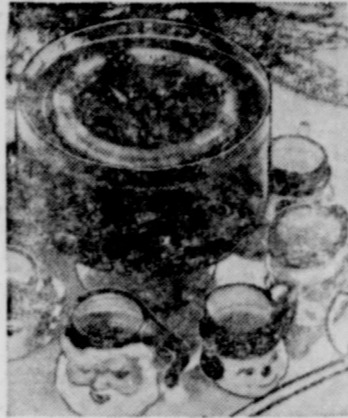
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Holidays are happy days! During this joyful season much entertaining is done. Friends stop to see the Christmas tree... or to exchange gifts. It's the time of year to wish all a "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!"

Plan a colorful buffet-style supper for these special holiday get-togethers. It's the answer to gracious, easy entertaining. To start things off on a festive note... ladle sparkling V-8 juice (gaily decorated with a Christmas-y ice ring) from a punch bowl into gay Santa or snowman mugs. Then let the guests help themselves to a bright red casserole of Oyster and Ham Special made with frozen condensed oyster stew...and served piping hot.

A tossed green salad makes a nice accompaniment... and then for dessert trays of homemade Christmas cookies, cheese wedges and lots of hot coffee.

Festive Christmas Bowl

Pour a thin layer of water into a ring mold and freeze. Arrange holly leaves and red candies in mold; add water just to cover them and freeze. Completely fill mold with water and freeze again. Unmold by dipping in hot water for just a minute or two. Float the ring in a punch bowl of chilled V-8 juice.

Oyster and Ham Special

- 1 can (10 ounces) frozen condensed oyster stew
- 2 cups cooked noodles (4 ounces, uncooked)
- 1 cup diced cooked ham
- 1 cup cooked peas
- 1/4 cup buttered bread crumbs

Thaw oyster stew; combine with noodles, ham, and peas in a greased 1-quart casserole. Sprinkle buttered crumbs on top. Bake in a hot oven (400°F.) about 30 minutes. Makes 4 servings. FNS

What the world needs is more mistletoe and less missile talk.

Santa Claus has the right idea—visit people once a year.

Payola Scandals Will Have Effect On Business Gifts

Businessmen will give Christmas gifts in greater numbers this year, but the value and suitability of each gift is being examined with greater care, according to the Business Goodwill Advisory Council.

"Extravagant business gifts of the type associated with the 'payola' are on their way out, replaced with modest gifts selected with an eye toward value and good taste." That's the finding of this non-profit research organization supported by gift-conscious sales managers, the business gift industry's two national trade associations and the industry's trade information service.

The average cost of a 1959 business gift was about \$7.50, BGAC reports, down from \$14.00 only five years ago. But, the number of individual gifts is estimated to be running 22% above last year; 110% more than five years ago.

Because of the considerable increase in number of gifts, the sales volume of the business gift industry will be close to \$300,000,000 this year; up from \$253,000,000 last year and \$276,000,000 the year before. And these figures do not include liquor and other gifts purchased through retail stores.

"The 'payola' scandals have alerted businessmen to choose their business gifts with greater care," a spokesman said. "Businessmen are now striving earnestly for tasteful gifts that can be presented in a truly thoughtful manner as honest tokens of appreciation."

Christmas Question

For some reason, most of us have come to look upon the first day of the year as the ideal time for examination of conscience and for the setting up of a new set of ideals. Would not Christmas be a much better time? What better time than Christmas for all of us to ask this question of ourselves: "What am I contributing to my fellow man; to Christianity; and to the world in which I live?"

Mankind might take a lesson from the snowflake: No two are alike and yet look how beautifully they work together on major accomplishments, such as tying up traffic.



CHRISTMAS WISHES

Loads and loads of our very best wishes that Christmas brings you everything you've hoped for!

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Let us give thanks unto God in this Holy Season for the Christ Child who was born for us in a manger nearly two thousand years ago.



May we all follow His example of kindness and goodness and brotherly love... and in so doing, make the burdens of life lighter for others.



In this joyful and triumphant season, we reverently send you greetings, and thank you deeply for your friendship.

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MR. DAY INJURED IN

CLEANING PLANT EXPLOSION

R. A. Day, father of Mrs. Ware Fogerson, who lives at Matador, was treated last week at Stanley Hospital there for burns about his hands and arms as the result of an explosion at the Day by Day Cleaning Plant on Wednesday morning.

Mr. Day has started to light the gas furnace under a steam boiler at the plant when the explosion occurred. It resulted from an accumulation of gas under the boiler.

Mr. Day drove his automobile to Stanley Hospital where examination showed approximately 25 minute particles of small metal buried in his arm. A piece of metal was blown off the furnace and struck him on the arm.

Damage to the building was small and included breaking of several window panes as a result

TAX - MAN SAM SEZ:

Ellis Campbell, Jr., and the 879 employees of the Internal Revenue Service in the Dallas District join Tax-Man Sam in wishing you and yours the best for the Holiday Season. I am sure the readers will join with Tax-Man Sam in wishing Internal Revenue many happy returns of the New Year.

Never sell America short. In what other country can a boy start with nothing and wind up with enough after taxes to give him a fresh start?

An optimist may see a light where there is none, but why must the pessimist always run to blow it out?

of the explosion. Mr. Day was able to return to the shop and work during the remainder of the day.



There's more to mistletoe than just its reputation as "the kissing plant." Everyone knows, of course, that, for some reason no one is quite sure about, it's permissible for a boy to kiss the young lady so unlucky (?) as to be caught standing beneath one of these sprigs of green with white berries (a plant, someone has placed on a chandelier—for some young girl to stand under, to be kissed by some young lad . . . unexpectedly, of course).

All this notwithstanding, it is supposedly an all-healing plant that will ward off poisons and keep animals healthy. At least, this is what the superstitious believed, in earlier days. Some considered it a present from the sun, others a gift from Jupiter. In voodoo rituals, it's the accepted antidote for palsy, apoplexy, epilepsy, and what-have-you.

Druid priests sought mistletoe, preferably growing on an oak tree, "on the sixth night of the moon", so that it might be cut with a golden scythe and caught in the flowing robes of the priests. Thus gathered, and following the sacrifice of two white bulls to show gratitude for the gift, mistletoe was supposed to possess all sorts of magical powers.

The Greeks are generally credited with associating mistletoe with love, as it was used in their marriage rites and the ceremonies of Hymen are reputed to be the forerunners of present usage as a kissing plant.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Posey have recently spent several days at Uvalde with relatives. His father, R. A. Posey, celebrated his 95th birthday anniversary November 28th, while the E. Posey's were there. Mr. and Mrs. Posey spent one night with her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bland Dennis, at Lampasas and spent some time with relatives at Rotan as they were enroute home.

Mrs. A. G. Stevenson left Saturday for California. She plans to fly from there to Honolulu, Hawaii, on December 18, for a visit with her daughter, Gloria June Stevenson, who is a nurse in Honolulu.

LCC Fund - Raising Campaign In Progress

Lubbock Christian College is in the midst of a \$2,000,000 fund-raising campaign to improve and enlarge its campus and \$300,000 is needed December 31 when the land option expires.

The money is needed to acquire 229 additional acres for future expansion and school officials feel the land is worth more than double the option price of which it can be purchased.

Included in the campaign is the payment of campus indebtedness, building a mens' dormitory and

completing a giant fieldhouse which will be one of the largest in the nation. The campaign will continue until all these goals are reached.

Approximately 114 men have been selected to serve as county chairmen for the school covering a wide area of West Texas and New Mexico, with each county given a goal.

L. L. Thornton of Silverton has been named county chairman for Briscoe County which has a goal of \$9,000.00. To date, this county has reached 27 per cent of its goal.

Working with Mr. Thornton as local chairman is James Brunson of Quitaque.

The only man who ever got all his work done by Friday was Robinson Crusoe.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Rivers returned home early last week after a few days visit with Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Rivers and children and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoffman and children of Austin. The R. D. Rivers are parents of M. D. Rivers and Mrs. Hoffman.

O. C. Maples went to Amarillo Monday to return home Mrs. Oda Maples who had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Carl Yocum and family since before Thanksgiving. Mrs. Oda Maples is the mother of Mrs. Yocum and O. C. Maples. She went especially to attend the wedding of her grandson, Jimmie Yocum, who was born in Silverton.

Mrs. Jewel Kennedy, of Lockney is staying with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Hodges for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Isbell and children, of Clayton, New Mexico spent the week end here with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Barn Stephens Kim and Christi Isbell remained here to visit until Christmas with their uncle and family Mr. and Mrs. Truman Stephens.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hinds and Miss Faye Bonifield were in Amarillo on Saturday.

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