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Silverton Owls Win Hale Center Tourney

Silverton's Owls won the boys division of the Hale Center Tournament last weekend, defeating the Hale Center Junior Varsity 68-44 and Kress 58-52, and then knocking off the Hale Center varsity 58-44 in the finals.

Terry Culwell was elected to the

All-Tournament team and received an individual trophy.

The Owls won the consolation trophy in the Salt Fork Classic a week earlier.

In the opening round of the Hale Center Tournament, Craig Culwell led the scoring with 18

points. Terry Culwell caged 16 points, Barry Francis dumped in 14, John Minyard added 10, and Ken Wood and Harland Vaughn each dropped in five points. Others on the varsity and taking part in the victory over the Hale Center Junior Varsity were Stan Mar-

tin, Clarence Ivory, Barry Bullock and Mark Hutsell.

L. Wilson scored 16 points for Hale Center.

Owls 17 40 59 68
Hale Center JV 6 22 38 44

Terry Culwell dropped in 26 big points to lead his team in the 58-52 win over the Kress Kangaroos. Ken Wood and Craig Culwell each added 10 points, John Minyard got eight and Barry Francis dropped in four points.

J. Carlisle was the highest-scoring individual for Kress with 14 points.

Owls 18 29 41 58
Kress 12 24 37 52

In the championship game, Craig Culwell took scoring honors with 28 points. John Minyard got 18, Ken Wood 5, Terry Culwell 4 and Barry Francis 3.

Leading scorer for Hale Center was Steve Stokes with 15.

Owls 8 26 36 58
Hale Center 8 18 30 44

The Owlettes were unsuccessful in their quest for third place in the tournament, losing to Sudan 36-29 in the finals after having defeated the Hale Center Junior Varsity 43-29 and losing to Shallowater 70-45.

Opening with Hale Center JV, the Owlettes were led to victory by the scoring of Rhonda Sutton 24, Jill Hutsell 15, Amy Birdwell and Darla Strange, two points each. Other girls making up the varsity and sharing the win were LaNell Stephens, Laura Arnold, Lori Francis, Sharon Storie, Denise Culwell, Pam Hutsell and Susie Parker.

Owlettes 15 33 37 43
Hale Center JV 4 11 19 29

Susie Benelette scored 19 points for Hale Center.

Shallowater, behind the scoring of Tana Honter, who dumped in 37 points, defeated the Owlettes in the second round of the tournament.

Amy Birdwell led the Owlette offense with 22 points, Jill Hutsell added 12 and Rhonda Sutton caged 11 points.

Shallowater 18 31 56 70
Owlettes 8 20 33 45

Sudan tossed in 13 points in the last quarter of the game Saturday to come from behind and defeat the Owlettes 36-29 for third place.

Rhonda Sutton netted 13 points, Jill Hutsell 12, Amy Birdwell and Susie Parker got two points each. The Owlettes led at the end of each quarter but fell behind in the last period.

Sudan 1 16 23 36
Owlettes 7 19 24 29

Phyllis Ray caged 14 points for the Sudan Hornets.

Both the Owls and Owlettes suffered defeats at the hands of Wellington Tuesday night and each team now stands 1-1 in District 2-A.

Jill Hutsell led the scoring with 16 points. Rhonda Sutton got 8, LaNell Stephens 4, and Amy Birdwell 3.

Edi Watkins scored 18 for Wellington.

Wellington 23 40 52 58
Owlettes 2 13 21 30

John Minyard led the Owls with 19 points, Craig Culwell added 15, Terry Culwell 8, Barry Francis 6, and Ken Wood 4.

Jay Thomas led the Wildcats with 22 points.

Wellington 21 41 51 67
Owls 15 26 42 52

lowing supper.

The club's next meeting will be January 4 with Mrs. Lenton Lantham as hostess.

Evening Worship Hour Changed

The evening worship hour at the Silverton Church of Christ has been changed from 6:00 to 5:00 p.m. Sunday, December 24, so that the families can be home early on Christmas Eve.

Free Lunch Eligibility Scale To Be Amended

At the December 14 meeting, the Silverton School Board amended the free lunch policy statement to bring it up to the minimum guideline prescribed by law.

The following eligibility income scale will be used:

Family Size	Family Annual Income
1	\$0-2130
2	0-2790
3	0-3450
4	0-4110
5	0-4770
6	0-5330
7	0-5890
8	0-6450
9	0-6930
10	0-7430
11	0-7930
12	0-8430

Each Additional Family Member \$500

HD Council Has Regular Meeting

The Briscoe County Home Demonstration Club Council met on Thursday, December 9, for a regular meeting, in the office of the County Extension Agent. Those present were Lottie Garrison, Syble Teeple, Lanita Cantwell, Frances Kellum, Vivian Hughes and Polly Jarrett, one guest, Mary Jane Patton. Mrs. Patton reported on the decorations for the Holiday Luncheon. Other reports on the luncheon were given by council members and it was determined that the Holiday Luncheon was a successful project.

Lanita Cantwell reported on the 4-H Food Leader training meeting, and noted that the tentative date for the Briscoe County 4-H Food Show has been set for March 19.

It was mentioned that the Council Christmas Party would be at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 13 in the home of Mrs. Clifford Allard. Gifts will be exchanged by members. All members of the High Plains, Town & Country and Southwestern home demonstration clubs were urged to attend the party which takes the place of the regular club meetings for the month. Refreshments were to be furnished by the Southwestern club, and the entertainment and decorations were to be by the High Plains and Town & Country clubs.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Joe Ziegler and family were in Bonham from Thursday evening until Sunday at the bedside of her father who had suffered a heart attack and was in the hospital there.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS STOLEN

Brubs Bomar has returned home and is recuperating from the heart attack he suffered recently. Mrs. Ollie McMinn has been staying with him during the day while Mrs. Bomar operates her beauty shop.

While they were in Lubbock with Brubs at the hospital, their car was broken into and the Christmas gifts they had purchased were stolen. Also taken were some college notebooks and a two-week paycheck that belonged to one of their daughters.

Mrs. Noel Deavenport has been a patient in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo this week.

News Office Will Be Closed Friday

The office of the Briscoe County News will be closed from Friday through Monday for a Christmas holiday.

Olds Dealership Changes Hands Here

Announcement has been made of the sale of the Silverton Oldsmobile dealership from Theron and Frances Crass to Joe Grabbe and H. B. Simpson.

Mr. Grabbe and Mr. Simpson were already operating the Chevrolet dealership, under the business name, Grabbe-Simpson Chevrolet, Inc. No other changes are planned in the dealership except the addition of the Oldsmobile line.

Reseal, Loan Programs Announced For 73-74 Storage

The decision has been made by the Department of Agriculture NOT to extend Warehouse Stored Loans on 1970, 1971 and 1972 Wheat; 1971 and 1972 Corn and Grain Sorghum, and 1972 Soybeans.

A decision was also made NOT to reseal Farm Stored Loans for 1971 Wheat, 1971 Grain Sorghum and 1972 Soybeans.

A decision was withheld concerning reseal for Farm Stored Loans on 1971 Oats and all 1972 Feed Grains and Wheat. The decision on this will be announced later.

J. A. Ziegler Buried Last Thursday

Funeral services for Joseph Albert Ziegler, 79, who died at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, December 13, in Swisher Memorial Hospital in Tulsa were conducted at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in the First Baptist Church in Silverton.

Officiating were Elders C. L. Jarrett, Floydada Primitive Baptist Church; Kenneth Martin, Muleshoe, and V. M. Bleaker, Olton. Burial was in the Silverton Cemetery, with arrangements under the direction of the Silverton Funeral Home.

The pallbearers were grandsons. Mr. Ziegler, a retired farmer, was a native of Winsboro. He moved to Briscoe County in 1923. He married Hattie Seay in Tulsa in 1924.

The couple lived on a farm southwest of Silverton.

He was a veteran of World War I and a member of the Primitive Baptist Church in Tulsa.

He is survived by his widow; a son, Riley Ziegler of Silverton; five daughters, Mrs. B. A. Thomas and Mrs. Roy Vaughn of Tulsa, Mrs. L. A. McCain of Lockney, Mrs. Brooks Bradley of Dallas and Mrs. Jimmy Pointer of Quitaque; five brothers, Harry, Bill, Walter and Ector Ziegler, all of Dallas, and Dave Ziegler of Silverton; a sister, Mrs. Mary E. Nipp of Dallas; 19 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Young Farmers Have Business Meeting

Silverton Young Farmers met Thursday, December 14 in the high school vocational agriculture department.

Donald Perkins presided over the business meeting. The upcoming turkey shoot was discussed and final plans were made.

Jimmy Myers reported on the National Young Farmer Institute that he attended in Sacramento, California.

The club voted to send a \$25.00 donation to Girlstown.

Members discussed and voted to check into the cost of materials for panels. Wayne Stephens and Calvin Shelton were appointed to this committee.

Those attending the meeting were Harold Gidden, Jerry Pruitt, Donald Perkins, Jimmy Myers, Tobe Riddell, Fred Minyard, Calvin Shelton, Monroe Gates and Wayne Stephens.



Coach J. B. Carter is pictured with his varsity Owls: Clarence Ivory, Mark Hutsell, Stan Martin, Craig Culwell, Ken Wood, Barry Bullock, Terry Culwell, John Minyard, Harland Vaughn and Barry Francis. In the foreground are the consolation trophy the Owls won in the Salt Fork Classic, Terry Culwell's All-Tournament Trophy and the first-place team trophy from the Hale Center Tournament.

Weed Control Important In Winter Wheat, Other Small Grains

Winter annual weeds are beginning to appear, especially in early planted fields of wheat and other small grains, according to Frank C. Petr, area agronomist of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service at Amarillo. Now is the time to start making plans for spraying these weeds before they utilize moisture and nutrients needed by the grain crop.

"Tansy mustard and kochia are the weeds most commonly encountered in the major wheat growing area of the state," Petr explains. "They can be controlled easily with one-half pound of 2, 4-D applied either by air or ground spray equipment. It is important that the small grain plants are fully tilled before 2, 4-D is applied. Yield losses and plant deformity may result if the plants are too young."

Not all wheat fields require spraying, since good stands of vigorous wheat shade the ground early and discourage germination and growth of weeds, the agronomist says. In late planted fields or in those that did not receive moisture until recently, the weeds may not appear until January or February.

Therefore, fields should be checked carefully.

"Weeds are easiest to kill while they are in a rosette stage with a diameter approximately the size of a half-dollar," Petr advises. "If the weeds are elongated and yellow blossoms have begun to appear, it may be too late. They have already caused a reduction in potential grain yield."

"Research on weed competition which has been conducted by Dr. Allen F. Wiese at the Southwestern Great Plains Research Center at Bushland, indicates that one weed per square foot can reduce wheat yields by 10 percent. If a potential yield of 40 bushels per acre is assumed, the yield loss would be about four bushels or about \$7.00 per acre at current prices. With an estimated spray cost of \$1.50 per acre, this could mean an extra \$5.50 per acre as a result of controlling the weeds. When two weeds are present per square foot the estimated yield loss is 20 percent. Assuming a 15-bushel-per-acre yield potential under dryland conditions, the loss caused by weed competition would be about three bushels. In this situation the farmer could pay the spray cost of \$1.50 and realize an additional \$4.00 per acre from the weed control practice."

One-half pound of 2,4-D will control most winter annual broadleaf weeds, advises Petr. However, treacle mustard is showing up in some fields in the Northern High Plains. This weed is more difficult to kill and requires one pound of 2, 4-D for effective control, says the area agronomist. It is important to fight this weed diligently to prevent its spread and hope-fully to eradicate it.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Simpson and Mr. and Mrs. David Tipton were in Dallas on business Saturday, and attended the football game between the Cowboys and the Giants in Texas Stadium Sunday afternoon.

Bud Couch has been a patient at Hall County Hospital in Memphis since Saturday morning. He has had bronchial pneumonia.

Pre-Christmas Dinner Held In M. B. Self Home

A pre-Christmas dinner was hosted by Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Self for their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Those children attending were Mrs. W. T. Masey, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Self, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Self, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Younger, all of Silverton, and Mr. and Mrs. O. L. McGowen and Zobie Self of Plainview.

The grandchildren in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Frizzell, Marvin Self, David Self, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Bradford, Lydia and Lisa Younger, Silverton; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Scott of Canyon; Mr. and Mrs. Harve Masey and Mrs. Lexie Gilkeyson, Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Roger Younger, Amarillo.

The great-grandchildren included Melanie Scott, Jamie Frizzell, Stephanie Faas, John and Allan Gilkeyson and Trenton Younger.

The dinner was also enjoyed by Rhonda Sweek, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. O. Riddell and Alton, Silverton, Terry Williams and Ruth Ann Purcell, Quitaque.

Helping Hand Club Has Christmas Party

The Helping Hand Club had its annual Christmas dinner party last Thursday night.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Callaway, Mr. and Mrs. Lenton Lanham, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McPherson and Bobby, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mercer, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Nance, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Rowell, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Steele, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Dickerson, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Cantwell.

Games of "42" were played following supper.

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Elaine Boyles Purcell At Home In Quitaque

Mrs. Elaine Boyles Purcell, who was seriously injured in an automobile accident last April and had been a patient in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo since then, was recently brought to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Boyles, in Quitaque. According to her mother, Elaine is slightly improved, but is still in a semi-conscious condition. She can have visitors.

Friends and relatives come in to help Mrs. Boyles get Elaine up in the mornings. They are very happy to have Elaine at home, and have expressed appreciation for the assistance and prayers of their friends. They request your continued prayers in their behalf.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Fleming and children have been visiting relatives and friends here this week.

They are in the process of moving to Byers.

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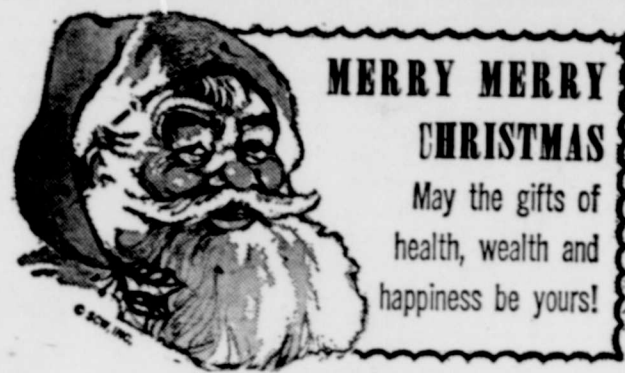
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Leo Fleming

DEAR SANTA,
My name is Jerry Don. I have been a real good boy and I would like for you to bring a real fire truck car when you come and see me.
Jerry Don Pruitt

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a new bicycle, an airplane, a punching bag and a GI Joe in his helicopter.
Thank you.
Love,
Shane Tipton

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a family fun jet, a talking pillow-phone, and a jack in the box.
I have been a good boy.
Love,
Chad Tipton

DEAR SANTA,
I have been a good girl. Please bring me a Barbie doll, a baby doll, ironing board, watch and a surprise.
Love,
Kori Baird

DEAR SANTA,
My name is Venita Asebedo and I am two years old. I have been a good little girl all year long, so please bring me what I want for Christmas.
I want a tricycle with a wagon attached to the back of it, a Crazy Car, and a tea set for four.

Santa, please bring my brother a B-B Gun. He is seven years old and has been a good little boy.
I guess this is all for this year. Say hi to Prancer.
Your friend,
Venita Asebedo

P. S. I let my big sister write this letter cause I can't write yet.

DEAR SANTA,
I would like to have a red bicycle cause Tommy let me learn how to ride his bicycle.

Also I'd like for you to bring me a rifle, a crane, a hot wheels set, bow and arrow, a cowboy hat, coloring book, filling station and socks to match all the ones I lost mates to.
Richard Reid, jr.

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a little table and chairs, and a high chair and five presents.

Please bring my little sister a toy TV that plays "School Days."
Thank you, Santa.
I love you,
Kimberly Burson

DEAR SANTA,
Hello, I am Lee Ann Durham, and I am four years old. I have a brother, Kirk, who is eleven.
Would you please bring me a dolly that wets, and a set of dish-

HD Club Party Held In Allard Home

Mrs. Clifford Allard's beautiful decorated home was the scene Thursday afternoon for a Christmas party enjoyed by members of the Briscoe County Home Demonstration Clubs and the extension agent.

Those present to join in singing carols, playing games, exchange of gifts and delicious refreshments were Mrs. Berton Hughes, Mrs. John T. Francis, Mrs. Roy M. Walker, Mrs. Rex Holt, Mrs. Robert Whelchel and Jeff, Mrs. Ray C. Bomar, Mrs. Bud McMinn, Mrs. Raymond Teeple, Mrs. Allen Kellum, Mrs. Don Curry, Bobby and Melissa, Mrs. Jackie Johnson, Audra and Debra, Mrs. Leon Lavy, Mrs. J. E. Patton and Alesha, Mrs. Carroll Garrison, Mrs. Elton Cantwell, Mrs. Alvie Francis, Mrs. Don Garrison, Mrs. Clifford Allard and Mrs. Bill Powell, County Extension Agent.

es, and a stove, refrigerator and a sink.

Don't forget Kirk. I think he wants a Monday night football, tape recorder and some rabbits.

Thanks for the things last year.
I love you,
Lee Ann

P. S. Also don't forget to bring Grumpy and Grandmother some spotted horses.

DEAR SANTA,
I'm sorry I forgot to tell you what I wanted when I saw you in Amarillo and when you came to church Sunday night. Thank you for the goodies.

There are three things on my list that I especially want. I want a little snow mobile like the one Daddy and I rode on that Don wants to sell. I want a football suit with a red helmet. I want a motor scooter about my size.

If you don't get in my house in a hurry, a bunch of cats and my dog will run in and wake everybody up—you might want to watch about that.

I wish you and all our friends a Merry Christmas.

Love,
Joe Ted Edwards

DEAR SANTA,
Well, it's that time of year again! I hope you have had a nice year.

If you can, will you please bring me a spring horse and some guns? I'm 2½ years old and I have a new sister who is only four months old. Her name is Brandi. Please bring her a pull-a-tune horsie for her crib and a new dress. Thank you, Santa!
Merry Christmas!
Ken Hutson
Brandi Hutson
Hereford, Texas

NORLAN DUDLEY IS LEADING INSURANCE AGENT

Norlan Dudley was recognized as the leading career agent in premium with \$14,720.38, the leading new career agent, and was also the leading new career agent in volume with \$988,500 by American National Insurance Company recently.

Dudley was barely defeated as leading career agent by Lowell Kilpatrick.

CLUB HOSTS CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR FAMILIES

The L. O. A. Junior Study Club hosted a Christmas party for members and their families Saturday night in the Pioneer Room of the First State Bank.

The Kaleidoscopes, composed of Mary Chris Cantwell, Debbie Cantwell and Celia Martin sang "Santa Claus is Coming to Town," "White Christmas" and "Day the Child of Hope was Born."

The devotional, "The Night After Christmas," was given by Mrs. Jimmy Burson.

The hostesses, Mrs. Jimmy Burson, Mrs. Lynn Frizzell and Mrs. Jerry Miller, served Christmas cookies, cake, sandwiches and punch to members, their families and guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Santa made a surprise visit. They gave each child present a gift. After visiting with everyone, they had to return to the North Pole to finish their preparations for Christmas.

Those attending the party were Mrs. Mabry Greenhaw, Melissa, Michael and Marlon, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Johnson, Audra and Debra, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Herrington, Dee and Debbie, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Miller and Avonna, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Yarbrough and Robbie, Mrs. Bud Couch, Diji and Julia, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Eddleman, Blaine, Barry and Brandon, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Jennings and Shane, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Burson, Kimberly and Keeley, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Nance and Tara, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Copeland, Kerry and Ty, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Baird, Kerry and Kori, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Edwards, Tammi and Neal, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Fogerson, Kristy and Penni, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Weeks, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Frizzell and Jamie, Mr. and Mrs. John Schott, Bryan, David and Clay.

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Merry Christmas

May you share with those you love, the blessings, big and small
 That make this Christmas holiday your brightest one of all.
 And through the year that lies ahead may every day renew
 The Hope and Faith and Happiness that Christmas brought to you.

Billy, Mike, Warner Bill and Suzan Settle
 Beryl, Dottie, Mike and Jay Long
 Miriam Jowell
 Edwin and Lorene Crass
 J. D. and Daphne Ferne McGavock
 Mae Bomar
 Bob and Weta Hill
 Roy and Zollie Brown
 House of Gifts
 L. D., Roberta and Mikel Griffin
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 Lily Wafford
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Grantham
 Don Burson and family
 Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Carter and Lori
 Norlan, Doris, Laura and Donna
 The Rex Dickersons
 David, Reba, Susie and Dwain Tipton
 Raymond, LaJuana, Todd, Nicky and Tandy
 Frances Thurman
 Jack, Gayle, Jack, Stacy and Cory Robertson
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 The Rex Holts
 Bob and Edith London
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 The Leo Flemings
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 Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Lowrey
 Lem and Valeria Weaver
 James, Karla, Sherrie, Ross, Creighton and Karlen Alexander
 Wayne, Tina and Tara Nance
 Coleman and Bessie Garrison
 Milton and Zelda Dudley
 Mrs. Arnold Turner
 Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Holt
 William, Jeanette and Melinda Martin
 The Ed Hutsells
 Mr. and Mrs. Roy Montague, Carron and Paula
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 Guinn and Patsy Fitzgerald and girls
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 Bill, Shirley, Kirk and Lee Ann Durham
 Durham Welding
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 Mr. and Mrs. Duane Reynolds and family
 Monroe, Mildred and Jim Gates
 Mildred and Troy Burson
 Joe, Polly and Quinn Montague
 Gary and Nena Hunt, Clint and Kayla
 Mrs. Ashel Cross
 Joe and Ruby McWaters
 Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Francis, Barry, Becky and Katy
 Mr. and Mrs. Allen Kellum and David
 M. G. and Margie Moreland
 Perry and Estelle Thomas
 Carl Wayne, Becky and Juannah Woods
 Jarus Flowers and family
 Gordon, Carolyn, Angela, Shavonne and Frank Lowrey
 Sam, Wilma and David Lewis
 Larry and Mary Lou Jarrett and family
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 Jessie Bomar
 Mr. and Mrs. Riley Joe Ziegler and family
 The Bob Rauchs
 The John Gill family
 The John T. Francis family
 Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Lanham
 Mr. and Mrs. Jack Estes
 Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Patton and family
 Mr. and Mrs. R. L. O. Riddell and Alton
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 J. L., Faye and Marvin Self
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 The Elton Cantwells
 Edwin and Carrie Dell Dickerson
 Snooks and Margaret Frizzell
 J. D. and Lois Nance
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 The Jack Sutton family
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 Silvertown Young Farmers held their annual Christmas salad supper on Saturday, December 9, in the Pioneer Room of the First State Bank.
 Ham and various salads were served. G. W. Chappell gave the invocation.
 Young Farmers and their guests enjoyed "42" following the meal. Winners in the "42" games were Mrs. Wayne Stephens and Charlie Parker, high score. Traveling and low were captured by Mrs. G. W. Chappell.
 The club members expressed their appreciation to their advisor and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Gates, by presenting them a Corningware set with heat tray.
 Those attending the supper were Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Gates, Calvin Shelton, Tobe Riddell, Joe Self, Jimmy Myers, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Chappell, Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie

We want to say thanks for each kind act that was shown to us during the loss of our loved one. Thanks for the food and the ones that served it. Thanks for the use of the Baptist Church, fellowship hall, and the singers. For all the flowers, cards, prayers and sympathizing words, we thank you. May God's richest blessings fall upon each of you is our prayer.
 The J. A. Ziegler family
 I am taking this means to thank my many friends for their acts of kindness while I was in the hospital and since I have been home. Your prayers, visits, flowers and cards have meant so much to me. May the Lord richly bless each of you is my prayer.
 Mrs. J. M. Thompson

APPRECIATION
 The Briscoe County Home Demonstration Club Council and the members of each of the Home Demonstration Clubs would like to take this means of thanking each and every one who helped in any way with the success of the "Holiday Luncheon." We appreciate everyone who helped to make our project a success. We especially want to thank the school officials for letting us use the facilities at the lunchroom; Bud's Grocery and Market and Nance's Food Store for their help in publicizing it, and each of you who came to eat with us.
 I would like to thank everyone for the flowers and cards and visits while I was in the hospital.
 Olos Chitty and family

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF LEONA MERCER, DECEASED.
 Notice is hereby given that original letters testamentary upon the Estate of Leona Mercer, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 11th day of December, 1972, by the County Court of Briscoe County, Texas. All persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My address is: Clyde Mercer, Route 1, Silvertown, Texas, 79257. My attorney is: J. W. Lyon, Jr., Box 625, Silvertown, Texas 79257.
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 I have a little sister named Robyn who is six months old. She wants a Baby Beans dolly that talks and a rubber giraffe.
 We have been good little girls
 Love,
 Susan Scott

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 Please bring me an Inch a Baby Tenderlove, and some for my stocking. I have to be good all year. Please bring the other boys and girls thing too.
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DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
 Please give all the other and girls what they ask for. We will leave you some chocolate and some cookies you come to our house.
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Christmas...! a time for remembering



SECTION TWO THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1972

Mrs. Mullin's Class Writes Santa

DEAR SANTA,
I want a black and white TV. Mother said that I could have only one toy this year. So you can give all of the toys faster. Monday was my birthday. I have been a good boy.

Love,
Jimmy Stone
Third Grade

DEAR SANTA,
I have been a good boy this year and I will tell you what I did on Monday Night Football. I B-B Gun and that is all I want for Christmas.

Your friend,
Greg Whelchel
Third Grader

DEAR SANTA,
Please come to see me. I have been a good boy this year. My grandmother told me you sometimes come before Christmas Eve. I wish I could have a B-B gun. Dad and I were looking at some B-B guns. He said if he had enough money he might get me a B-B gun. Will you bring me a B-B gun for Christmas? I also want a set of World Books and a checker game. I hope I will get to see you.

Love,
Jim Estes
Third Grade

DEAR SANTA,
I hear you are coming to town so I thought you maybe could sell

my dad's combine hestons for him.
Yours truly,
Eber Gill
Third Grade

DEAR SANTA,
I have been a very good boy this year and I need a GI Joe with a search light and I also need a tape recorder too.

With love,
Michael Greenhaw

DEAR SANTA,
I have been a good boy this year and I hope you will bring me a Honda 70 and I hope you will bring me a Dallas Cowboy jacket and cap. Have a merry Christmas.

Love,
Michael Hill
Third Grade

DEAR SANTA,
I have been a good boy and I want a color TV and I am glad Jesus was born and of course I want a football set too, and most of all a football.

Love,
Phillip Holt
Yours truly,
Third Grade

DEAR SANTA,
Man, when you see my teacher you'll go crazy and boom! Down you go! Is she a doll! You must get her something too. She is a real good artist. I wish you can see what she did. She made you and Rudolph and a mail box with a gift. Her name is Mrs. Mullin. And I want a B-B gun.

Love,
George Cavazos
Third Grade

DEAR SANTA,
Come to my house to see me. Get me a football suit and football. I would like more but my mother will not let me. I was pretty nice this year. Don't forget to fill my stocking please.

Love,
Gary D. Juarez
Third Grade

DEAR SANTA,
I am glad of this year. I do not have very much to talk about but I want to say hi. I like the toys you gave me but Christmas is giving not getting. I want two walky-talkies.

Your friend,
Don Perkins
Third Grade

DEAR SANTA,
I have been a good boy this year. So I wish I had a Cub Scout knife and a Cub Scout ring and a pellet gun. So Santa you and Rudolph come see me.

Love,
Scotty Roberts
Third Grade

DEAR SANTA,
I want a velvet doll and a bike for Christmas. I have been a good little girl. I feel much better now. I wish I didn't miss school last week. I missed two days of school. Well goodbye, I'll be seeing you on Christmas day.

Love,
Jolanda
Have a Happy Christmas!

DEAR SANTA,
For Christmas I would like a bike, some doll clothes and a Sweet Cookie Maker. Come and see us at my house. I need some clothes and new shoes for school and for church and I want to go on a vacation.

Love,
Barbara Edwards
Third Grade

DEAR SANTA,
For Christmas I would like to have a Cynthia doll and a toy snowmobile and a Mystery Date game.

DEAR SANTA,
I want a coke machine for Christmas and a piano and baby doll. I will love you if you will bring me some toys for Christmas. I love you Santa you are so nice to me. You are the nice Santa that I like. Santa, last year I didn't get anything for Christmas because my Uncle Lupe died last year and my family didn't have any money to buy me a present for Christmas.

Love,
Erma Aguilar
Third Grade

DEAR SANTA,
I've been kind of mean. Please come and see us at school. I want a Cynthia doll and some clothes for Christmas. I want doll clothes for my dolls and a Sweet Cookie maker, Stay Alive game, a Mary Popkin and a Trouble game. I want to go to Phoenix, Arizona and to Blackfoot, Idaho. Those are where my sisters live, and they are my favorite towns.

Love,
Irma Davila
Third Grade



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Christmas dawn once again
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True meaning- THE NATIVITY



The true meaning of Christmas can be conveyed by simply viewing the Nativity scene, where the Christ Child lies as a symbol of love, exemplifying the spirit of Christmas.

The custom of reenacting the birth of Jesus originated in the 13th century in Greccio, Italy, where a simple manger was constructed by St. Francis of Assisi as part of the Christmas observances.

St. Francis wanted to help the people understand the meaning of the scriptures, to show that Christ, like them, also came from humble beginnings.

A crib was assembled in a cave on a hill, with a life sized wax figure of the Christ Child in the manger. Real people assumed the roles of Mary, Joseph and the

shepherds. Live animals were around the crib.

Worshippers traveled great distances to view the nativity scene, bringing gifts and chanting hymns of praise.

At first, the nativity scenes displayed were very simple, but through the ages, they became more elaborate. Figures, many of which were life-sized, were carved out of wood or modeled from wax or clay and painted by skilled artists.

Here in the United States, nativity scenes are becoming more popular each year. In many communities, families, churches and civic groups arrange outdoor cribs, conveying the message of the Christ Child at Christmas—"PEACE AND GOODWILL TO ALL MEN."



the legend of the woodman and the little stranger

Once upon a time, many years ago, there lived a woodman and his family in a little cottage deep in the forest.

When Christmas Eve came, the family sat down to a meagre meal, but their spirits were rich with gratitude that they had anything to eat, and a roof over their heads against the snow-storm raging outside. They were grateful too, for the fire burning briskly in the grate.

As they were partaking of their thin soup there was a gentle knock on the door.

"Who, I wonder," said the woodman, "is coming to see us on such a bitter night?" But he opened the door, letting the snowflakes blow in. There stood a child, pale and tired and shivering in ragged clothes. The family quickly brought him in, put warm, dry clothes on him and gave him some hot soup and bread. Then the woodman's wife, a kindly

soul, gently put him to bed on the cot where her son usually slept.

After a time the whole family went to bed. During the night they were awakened by the sound of singing, the most beautiful to fall on mortal ears, for when they looked out the window they saw it was coming from a choir of angels!

In the center of the choir stood the little boy, dressed in splendid robes, and



THAT SEASON . . . Christmas means snow in many sections of the country. When the snow has fallen, a warm sun is welcome. The shadows of late afternoon signal that soon it will be Christmas Eve. With nightfall, can the sound of Santa's sleigh be far away?



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.

JONES DEPT. STOR



At this holy season, thoughts are turned toward peace. May the prayer of men be answered.

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around him a radiance which out-dazzled the white snow about him.

Awed by the spectacle, the woodman and his family knew at once that the little visitor was the Christ Child, and bowed in reverence.

Breaking a branch from a fir tree the Child set it in the ground, saying, "Because of your goodness to me, this branch will become a tree. It will always be green and will bear fruit at Christmas, and you will always be blessed with plenty at that season."

And so, every Christmas after that, the woodman and his family enjoyed delicious fruit heaped high on their table, the gift of the Christ Child.



Origin of Carols

In 1859, Dr. John Henry Hopkins, Jr., an Episcopal rector, composed the words and music for "We Three Kings of Bethlehem Are."

"O, Little Town of Bethlehem" was inspired by a trip to the Holy Land. It was composed in 1868 by Phillip Brooks, an Episcopal minister. The music was written by Lewis H. Redner, organist of Brooks' church.

It is curious that one of the best-known carols, Charles Dickens' "Christmas Carol", written in 1843, is to be read, not sung.

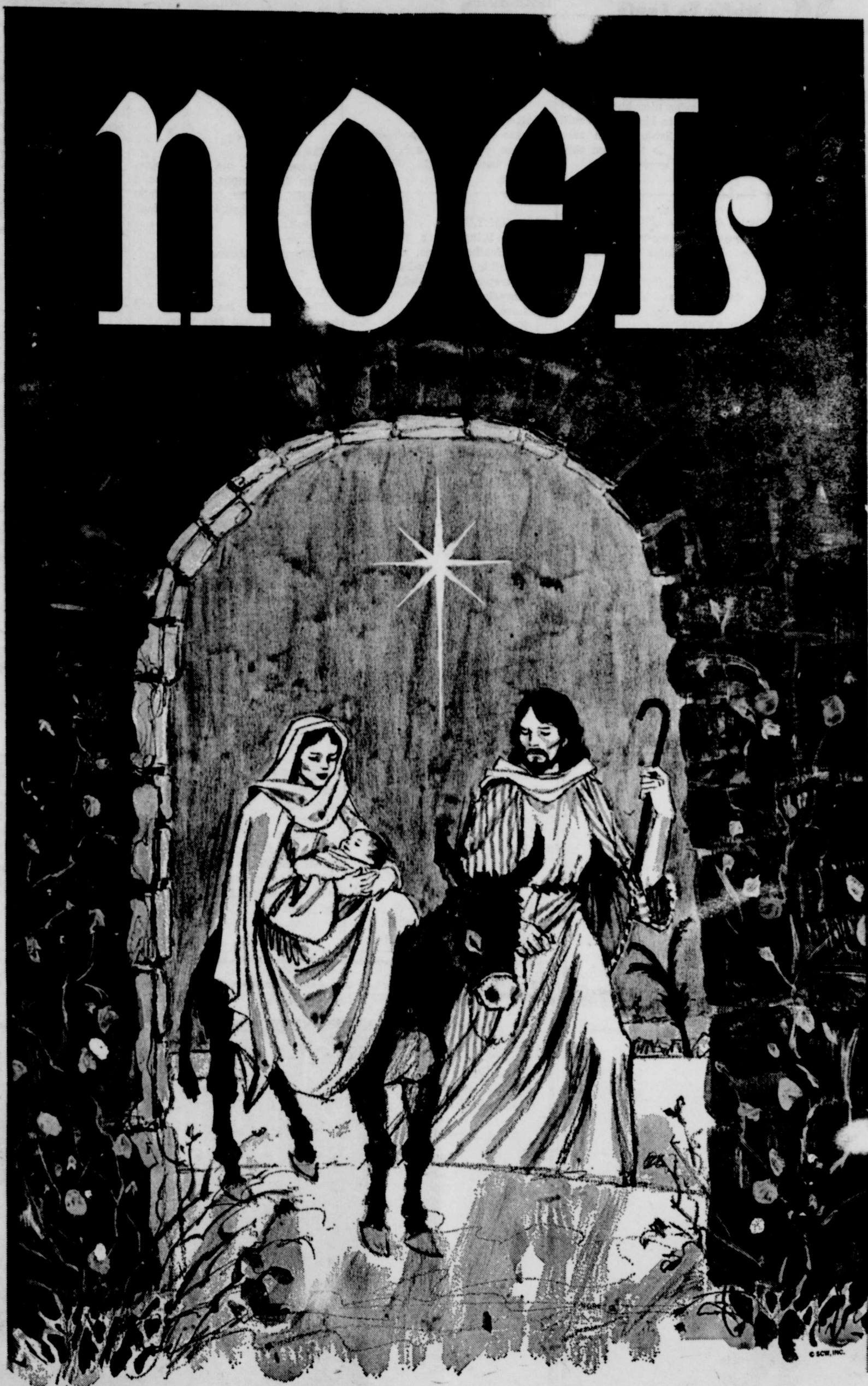
URN OF FATE
Spain has an Urn of Fate, similar to the one used in Italian homes. For centuries the custom has been to place the names of friends in the bowl; on Christmas Day the names are drawn to decide who shall be devoted friends until next holiday season. The results are sometimes disappointing but everyone grins and bears it.



It's the season when you trim the tree and adorn your home with holiday decorations . . . and wish your friends the best!



NOELS



As we commemorate the birth of the Infant Jesus at the very first Christmas, we are filled with hope once more that men will learn to dwell together in peace & harmony.



First State Bank

The Friendly Beasts

Jesus our brother, strong and good,
Was humbly born in a stable rude,
And the friendly beasts around Him stood,
Jesus our brother, strong and good.

"I," said the donkey, shaggy and brown,
"I carried His mother up hill and down,
I carried her safely to Bethlehem town;
I," said the donkey, shaggy and brown.


"I," said the cow all white and red,
"I gave Him my manger for His bed,
I gave Him my hay to pillow His head;
I," said the cow all white and red.

"I," said the sheep with curly horn,
"I gave Him my wool for His blanket warm,
He wore my coat on Christmas morn;
I," said the sheep with curly horn.

"I," said the dove, from the rafters high,
"Cooed Him to sleep, my mate and I,
We cooed Him to sleep, my mate and I;
I," said the dove, from the rafters high.

And every beast, by some good spell,
In the stable dark was glad to tell,
Of the gift he gave Immanuel,
The gift he gave Immanuel.

Author Unknown



Second Graders Write To Santa

DEAR SANTA,
Please send me something nice and good to play with. Please do it, ok. And watch out for those DEERS! They're nice but I would not want them to kick you. Would they do that, Santa? I am sure they would not do that. Am sure now, don't you worry.
Love,
Cynthia B. ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a purse. And go-go boots. Please come so we can see you.
Love,
Ida Ramirez ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Bring me a knife. Bring me five surprises.
Love,
Tony Reyes ☆

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
I want a Suntan Barbie and a baby buggy for a doll, doll clothes for Ken and for the Suntan Barbie. Please give me a Skipper Barbie and a Tearful Baby Tender Love Doll.
Love,
Tandy McJimsey ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Would you please bring me a B-B pellet gun and some B-Bs? I have been a very good boy. I love you very much, Santa.
Love,
Mitcheal Martin ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a truck. I hope you bring me a sock of penny candy and a toy in it. I love Santa.

Love,
Ricky Maciel ☆

DEAR SANTA,
I love you very much. Please bring me a train and a bicycle, a hot wheel, a race track, some race cars and farm set.
Love,
Tad Cornett ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a tape recorder, a GI Joe, a B-B gun, a hot wheels track, a watch, a sled.
Love,
Eric ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a Parrot, an electric football game, a train, a walkie talkie, a Howdy Doody puppet, a trap drum set and get me two surprises.
Love,
Kerry Baird ☆

DEAR SANTA,
I want a Mother Nature from my mother. I want a new basketball and the goal with it and I want a tent and the sticks with it.
Love,
Chris Sperry ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a B-B gun.
Love,
Roland ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Will you bring me three pair of britches, three shirts, three pair of socks, and a drum set.
Love,
David ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a racing car.
Love,
Dario ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please tell me why you wear red and white clothes?
Love,
Shane ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a Baby Tender Love.
Love,
Denee ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a football. A bicycle with 5 speed gear.

An airplane, and a sled.
Love,
Craig ☆

DEAR SANTA,
I have been a good boy. I wish that you would bring me a football suit, a football helmet and a watch.
Love,
Ronnie ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a combine, pickup and camper. Bring me a minibike, a guitar, a train, a walkie talkie, a football helmet, a football suit.
Love,
Floyd Hightower ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a gun and trucks like I had last year.
Love,
Jessie Ortega ☆

DEAR SANTA,
I want a Barbie, and one that has clothes, please. I want a boot that has candy, a big doll that can walk, and I want a pair of shoes, please, and please purple shoes.
Love,
Alice Maciel ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a new bicycle and a new Sweet Cookie Doll and a record player and also I want six surprises. I have been a good girl. I love you very much.
Love,
Dena Sue Green ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a Crissy, a Barbie camper, and a surprise in my stocking.
I have been good.
Love,
Missy Wristen ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a purse and go-go boots.
Love,
Hellen ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me some surprises and do not forget the other boys and girls.
Love,
Amy Perkins ☆

DEAR SANTA,
I wish you could come to Silverton. Oh, I wish you could bring me a Dune Buggy Baby Oh and six Barbies Oh and seven big dolls and a picture of your wife.
Love,
Grace ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a suitcase. It is fun to play spend-a-night with people. You can play with them at their homes. We could watch TV or not do a thing. I like my teacher. She is pretty. She is a nice teacher. Her name is Mrs. Bean. I have some friends. Their names are Tandy, Missy, Alice, Judy and Amy. I have a brother, Mother and a Father.
Love,
Janice D'ann Reynolds ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a stick shift and a heifer calf and a tape recorder. If you want to, you can do two more things for me, recharge my walkie talkie. And please give me a surprise. At Christmas night I will leave you some good food on the table and it will say "to Santa." And don't forget.
Love,
Rank ☆

DEAR SANTA,
I have been a good girl. I want a sweet cookie, a bike, a stroller and a corral set.
Love,
Judy Northcutt ☆

DEAR SANTA,
Please, Santa, I want a football and a bat and baseball.
Love,
Cary ☆

Fresh Flowers For Decorating

Few things are more beautiful for Christmas than arrangements of fresh flowers. Red roses are especially suitable. In red that do not respond to red, white chrysanthemums with silver glass balls and silver ribbons.

Flowering plants are likely to be more successful than cut flowers. To mass several plants of same variety makes a color showing in a focal point. Color scheme and same variety can be carried out in your home by using individual plants in several areas.


Unless your house really is itself to red, don't choose traditional red poinsettia - if especially want poinsettia to look at the lovely white available now.

STOP TRIEF!
Come, guard this night the Christmas pie,
That the thief, though ne'er so sly,
With his flesh-hooks, don't come nigh
To catch it
From him who all alone sits there,
Having his eyes still in his case
And a deal of nightly fear,
To watch it.
—Robert Herrick

FIRST PRAYER FROM SPANISH APOLLO 8, CHRISTMAS EVE 1968
Give us, O God, the vision which can see Thy love in world in spite of human faith. Give us the faith to trust goodness in spite of our ignorance and weaknesses. Give us knowledge that we may continue to pray with understanding hearts, and to show us what we one of us can do to set forth the coming of the days of universal peace. Amen.

NEVER ENDING
Whatever else is lost among years
Let us keep Christmas—
its meaning never ends
Whatever doubts assail us, or what fears—
Let us hold close this day—
remembering friends.


Joy to The World...



When the Star of Bethlehem first appeared, how great was the joy of the Wise Men . . . let us rejoice anew in hope that Christmas brings to a troubled world

M. G. Moreland, County Judge
J. W. Lyon, Jr., County Attorney
Arthur S. McJimsey, Tax Collector-Assessor
Bertha Pavlicek, County and District Clerk
Mildred Reid, County Treasurer
Vinson Smith, Sheriff

Holiday Cheer



Santa's making his rounds again — we hope he brings you your heart's desire. Merry Christmas from all at

Jack's PHARMACY
JACK ROBERTSON
Registered Pharmacist

LECTIONS...

... excerpts from the famous essay of Washington Irving

... numerous indeed are the hearts to which Christmas brings a brief season of peace and enjoyment.

We write these words now, many miles distant from the spot at which, year after year, we met on that day, a merry and joyous circle. Many of the hearts that throbbed so gaily then, have ceased to beat; many of the looks that shone so brightly then, have ceased to glow; the hands we grasped, have grown cold; the eyes we sought, have hid their lustre in the grave; and yet the old house, the room, the merry voices and smiling faces, the jest, the laugh, the most minute and trivial circumstance connected with those happy meetings, crowd upon our mind at each recurrence of the season, as if the last assemblage had been but yesterday. Happy, happy Christmas, that can win us back to the delusions of our childish days, that can recall to the old man the pleasures of his youth, and transport the sailor and the traveler, thousands of miles away, back to his own fireside and his quiet home!



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Mrs. Nance's Class Writes To Santa

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, I want a sweet cooke and a trampoline. Dear Santa Claus, I want a ho bunch of toys. I love you very much, Santa Claus. Thank you for every toy you gave me all my life. Signed Vicki McJimsey

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, I want a Barbie doll. I want clothes, too. I am glad you are coming to town. Well, this is all for now. Love, Mary

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, I want a 22 gun and a rope. I want boots and cowboy hat. I want a belt and a 40-40. I also want a football game. Your friend, Jesse

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, How are you? I am fine. I would like a walky-talky and a bike. I would like a smash-up derby set. I would like a pellet gun and a Hot Wheels set for Christmas. Your friend, Dwain

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, I am nine years old. Can I have a piano for Christmas? How are you when you come to town? I am happy you are coming to town. I am happy you are coming to town to give us some toys for Christmas. I never have had a piano for Christmas. I am in the third grade. My teacher is Mrs. Nance. Your friend, Irma

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, How are you? I am fine. I want a new girl friend. No not really. I want a coat. And a new pair of boots if it isn't too much trouble. And on top of that I want a pack of Cokes to make Christmas a little more happy. Love, Kelly

DEAR SANTA, Do you know what I want for Christmas? It happens to be a B-B gun. And dart board, too. If it will not fill your bag. Your friend, Bob Arnold

DEAR SANTA, How are you? I am just fine. I am 9 years old. I want a walky talky set and a watch and that is all! Merry Christmas to all! Your friend, Donnie

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, I hope you are feeling good. I hope you will bring me a big rail train set and a Monday Night Football game and a Monopoly game. I think I have been good. My teacher is Mrs. Nance. I am in the third grade. Your friend, Casey

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, How are you? I want the game wich wich. I also want a train. I especially want a car set. I also want a bike. Love, DeAnn Strange

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, I would like a football, a new doll, also the game gin-nip, gonop, a bowling ball set, a trampoline and a new fur coat. Thanks

for everything. Love, Katy Francis

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, How are you? I would like for you to bring me a 30-30 and a 22 and 2-43 and I think my daddy wants a M-16. My brother David wants a B-B gun. And Clay wants a truck. Love, Bryan Schott

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, How I would like you to bring me a B-B gun and a pair of walky-talky and a football suit. And my brother wants a Coke machine and a pair of walky-talky. And my other brother wants a chopper and a pair of Marx robot. Your friends, Blaine, Barry, Brandon,

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, I am eight years old. I am happy that I am going to see Santa Claus at the stores. How is Rudolf? I want a doll that cries. And some clothes. I hope you have fun going to the children's houses. I hope you won't have trouble with the things I want. Love, Lupe Garcia

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, How are you? I am fine. I want a piano and I want a trampoline and a doll. Love, Leona

THE NEW YEAR WILL CHALLENGE US WITH ITS JOYS AND ITS SORROWS, ITS FAILURES AND ITS TRIUMPHS... THE SOUNDS OF CHRISTMAS WILL FADE AWAY... TO BECOME ONLY A BELOVED MEMORY.

Versatile Egg Cartons Can Be Decorative

Don't throw away those egg cartons - make decorations, the designs are fun, attractive and inexpensive. Materials needed: scissors, white glue, gold spray paint, old jewelry, beads, glitter, clothespins and small Christmas balls. Remember the secret of cutting egg cartons is to moisten with a fine spray of water, cut the carton while wet and let dry before you glue. To make a starburst, use center section of these egg cartons. Glue together opening at the bottom of each section, using clothespins as clamps. Then glue the sections together, forming a circle. Spray gold and sprinkle glitter on the inner edge. To make small hanging ornaments, glue two sections together, add ball in the center and hang. A candleholder can be made by using egg cartons with the larger prongs. Remove top and inside flaps, bend carton backward carefully so inner prongs form a star, and glue or staple ends together. Spray, decorate and add candle in center. These decorations are a fun project for scout groups, and for ladies luncheons, also make good and inexpensive bazaar items. Experiment and have fun.

Be A Donor Make A Gift Of Life This Christmas

Volunteer blood donations always plunge to a very low level at Christmas. While donations decline during most other holiday periods too, the downturn is acute at Christmas because we're so busy with activities outside our normal routine and simply do not schedule ourselves to donate blood. The Red Cross blood program suffers a below demand shortage which results in postponement of all but the most urgent surgery needs, and at a time when the accident rate is skyrocketing. To combat the shortage the American Red Cross intensifies their program of collections in communities, and to hopefully prevent dangerous emergencies. Meanwhile, it is time for us to check ourselves on what we can do. Vow to make a Christmas gift of your blood and get a friend (between ages 18 and 66) to go with you to contribute, too. Check the last time you donated, and, if you're eligible, donate now. While you're at it, join a blood "bank account" for your own — or dear one's use whenever needed. You could save a life — You could also save thousands of dollars in a future emergency.

From the Kitchen Christmas Treats are Traditional

1 cup dried apricots
1 cup dried stemmed figs or pitted dates
1 cup raisins
½ cup shelled almonds or walnuts, chopped

½ cup light or dark corn syrup
¼ teaspoon salt
Coconut

Wash fruit and drain thoroughly. Grind apricots, raisins and figs or dates through coarse blade of food chopper. Mix and grind once more. Then stir in all the nuts. Place all ingredients in top part of double boiler and cook over boiling water until fruit softens slightly and mixture can be stirred well blended. Heat until soft, mixing thoroughly. Let stand until cool enough to handle. Shape into small rolls. Toss in flaked coconut. To store, wrap in waxed paper and keep in cool place. Makes about 2 pounds.

Merry Christmas



HERE'S HOPING SANTA FILLS YOUR FONDEST WISHES THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON AND FROM ALL OF US TO ALL OF YOU, WE WISH YOU THE MERRIEST OF HOLIDAYS.

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JOE GRABBE

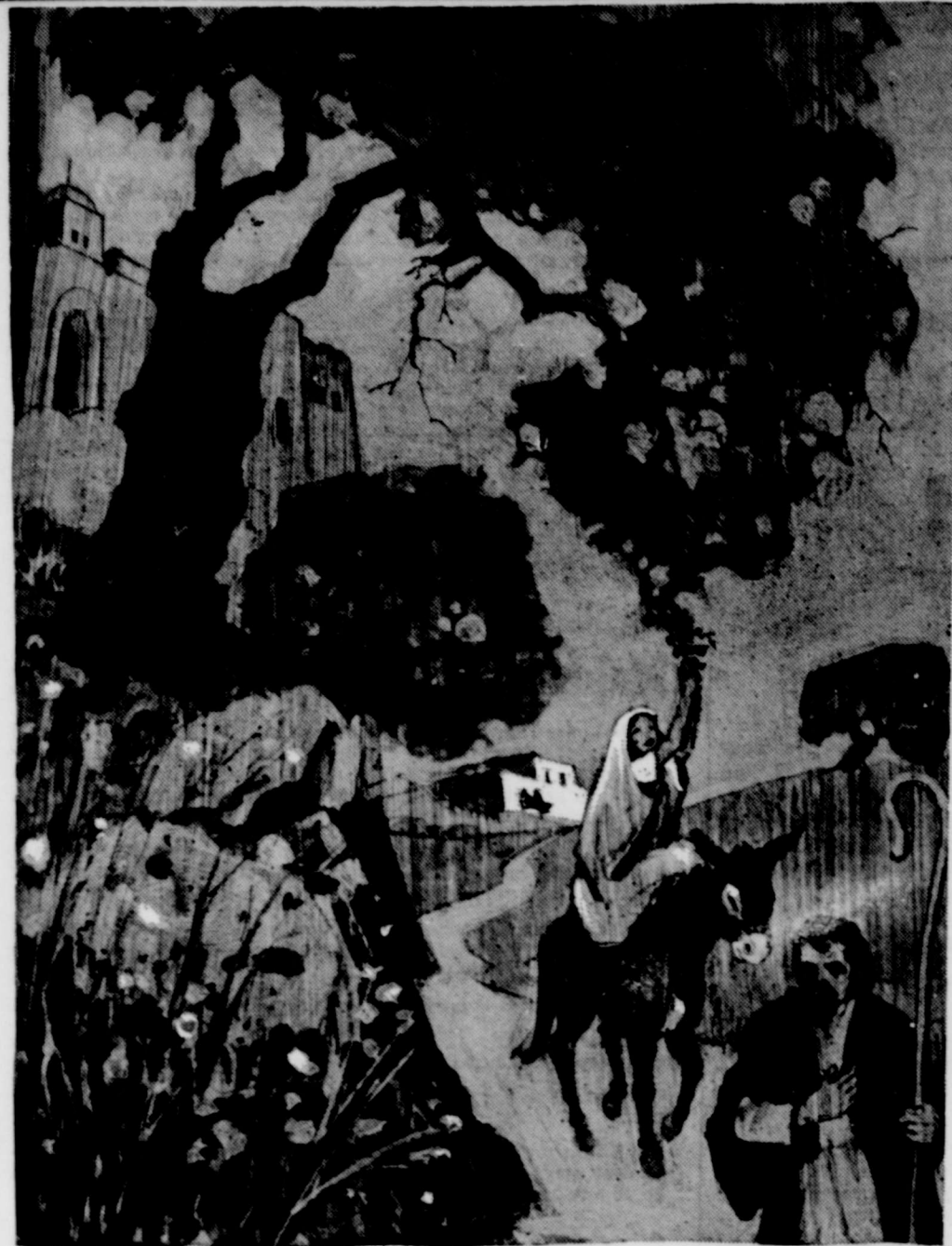
DOC SIMPSON



As we come in reverence before the blessed manger, let us all recall the message of Christmas: peace on earth, good will to men!

SILVERTON FUNERAL HOME

Erwin and Dorothy
Don and Charlotte
Bill and Mable



The Gospel Story According to St. Matthew

"Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, Where is he that is born King of

the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

"When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when

he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea; for thus

it is written by the prophet; And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda; for out of thee shall

come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.

"Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, inquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem; and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.

"When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

"And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way. And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child, to destroy him. When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt."

Matthew 2:1-14

A SANTA PUZZLE

Draw or copy a Santa Claus on a large piece of paper. Cut the picture into pieces so that there will be three or four parts for each child present. Distribute the sections and have the boys and girls circle around a card table where they will try to re-assemble Old Santa in typical jig-saw puzzle style.

FINLAND CHRISTMAS
Christmas in Finland is the biggest holiday of the year. It lasts from Christmas Eve through St. Stephens Day, December twenty sixth. In olden days it lasted right up to Twelfth Night, and even now Twelfth Night is a holiday, not so generally observed as the two and a half days of Christmas, but still a holiday.

MASS OF CHRIST
THE YULETIDE SEASON IS GLORIFIED IN SONGS AND STORIES THAT STIR THE MIND AND TOUCH THE HEART. THE NAME ITSELF MEANS, LITERALLY, THE MASS OF CHRIST — IT IS INEVITABLE THAT MOST CHRISTMAS LEGENDS ARE TOUCHED WITH HOLINESS



The true pleasures of this season are simple ones . . . the love of family and friends, the warmth of a happy hearth . . . we wish all these joys to you throughout the days of Christmas.

SILVERTON ELEVATORS, INC.

Silverton

Dempsey



DO-IT-YOURSELF . . . Do your own front door decorations for the holidays. If there are children in the house, let them help. If you use cut-out figures, pencil in the design, let children do painting and coloring. Christmas will be more meaningful.



Before this year is over, we want to thank our many customers for their continuing faith in us, and wish you all a very Joyous Holiday!

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IT'S CHRISTMAS . . . Ham, fruits, nuts, a Christmas tree and tinsel, these are sights and aromas so much a part of Christmas. They are part of the Christmas that delights the hearts of childhood and remain among lifetime's favored memories.

a Spanish Indian miracle play

Los Pastores, a Spanish-Indian play, is given in Texas each year. It is given by every-day people who work for a living, and find time to act at odd hours.

The rehearsals take place secretly in someone's back yard . . . and the play is performed in someone's back yard, unpublicized, unheralded. The objective is that no one shall see the miracle play just from mere curiosity; spirituality is the raison d'etre.

Introduced into Mexico by Spanish monks, it is given from Christmas to Candlemas by an amateur group gathered by invitation from house to house.

The scene: at one end of the yard an altar of wood covered with black sateen, the background for the manger scene. On the steps, the family's prize possessions, while above ceilings are decked with rose-entwined crepe paper. In the center of the lowest step is the Christ Child, a life-size doll, placed on a platter of colorful candies; nearby are creatures of the Manger, of odd sizes and shapes.

Opposite this scene, at the other end of the yard is a tent with volcanoes, devils, fire. From it "live devils" emerge.



When the play begins, a girl comes out, dressed as an angel, and recites. Then come shepherds, in pink coats with tinsel braid, a beaded valise over the shoulder, hung on broad red ribbon. The shepherds carry gaily ornate staffs, and chant a song which goes on and on. Behind them, Ermitano, which as his name suggests, is a hermit; he is a comic character, and represents the good of the world, the soul on its earthly journey. Sometimes the Archangel Gabriel accompanies him.

Behind him come seven devils, six in sequined black and masks of animals, and then Satan in bright red; all wear sparklers in their caps.

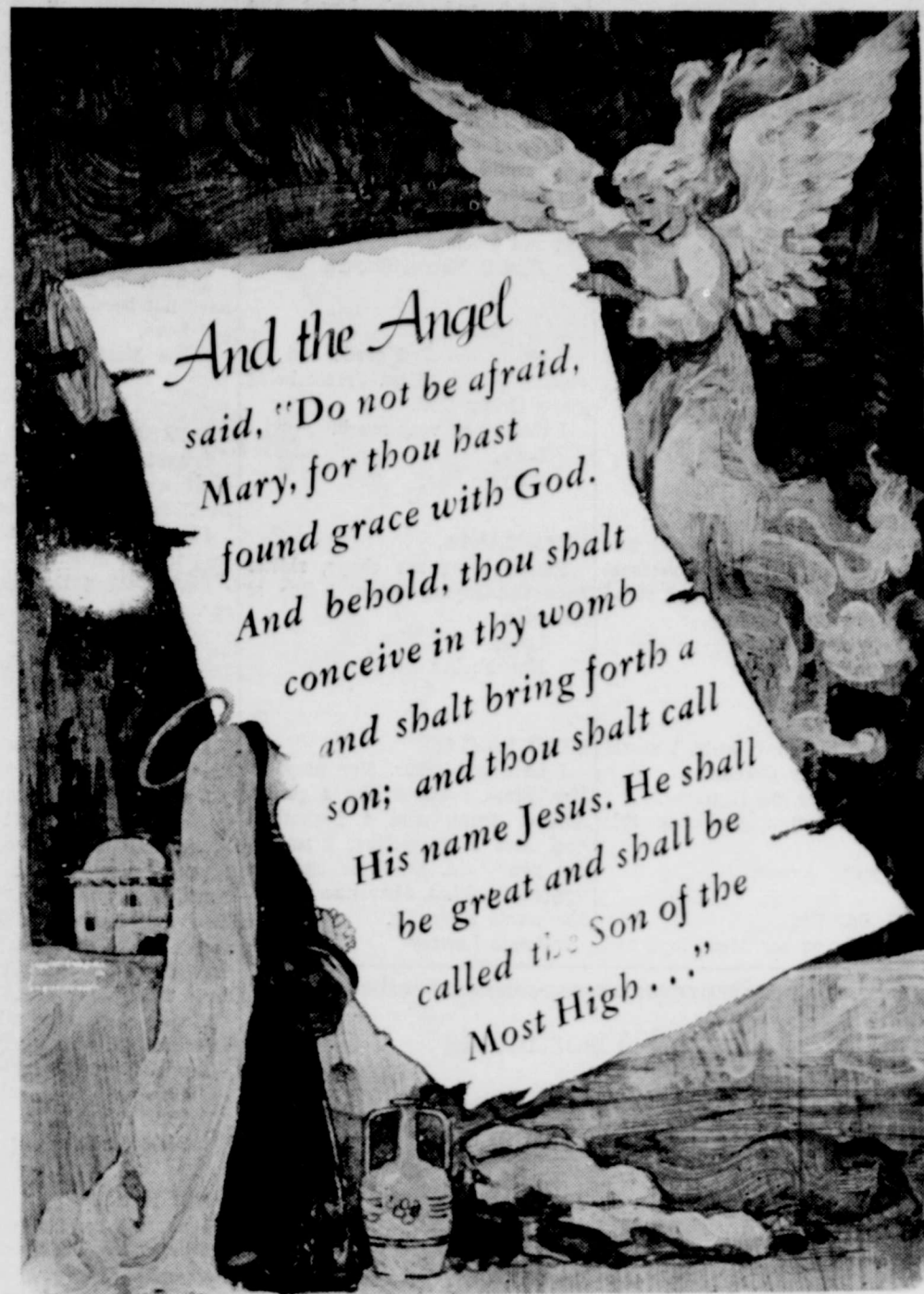
There is no formal end to the performance. The dev-



ils are vanquished, and the shepherds kiss the Child. A wild Indian enters and a fight ensues. He is overcome, and he kisses the Child. Then all solemnly and slowly approach the altar and pay respects to the Child. Candy and food are offered.



Alfred, Lord Tennyson
The time draws near the birth of Christ:
The moon is hid; the night is still;
Answer each other in the mist.
Four voices of four hamlets round,
From far and near, on mead and moor,
Swell out and fall, as if a door
Were shut between me and the sound:
Each voice four changes on the wind,
That now dilate, and now decrease,
Peace and goodwill, goodwill and peace,
Peace and goodwill, to all mankind.



Real St. Nicholas Was Early Bishop

Although it is customary to regard him as a myth, there actually was a real St. Nicholas, an early Christian bishop, who lived during the fourth century. It was because of his unusual generosity that our ideas of the modern saint have developed. St. Nicholas lived in what is now modern Turkey. He spent his life and riches helping the poor and giving gifts to children in Holland and many other European countries.

New Year Ideas
THE NEW YEAR'S GREETING CARD IS REALLY A FORM OF GIFT; this custom is credited to the Chinese. They have sent such cards for over a thousand years.

THE FIRST MESSAGE was cabled across the Pacific on January 1, 1903. The cable ship "Silvertown" arrived in Honolulu on that date after laying twenty six hundred miles of cable from San Francisco to Honolulu.

Early Bethlehem Name Meant 'House of Bread'

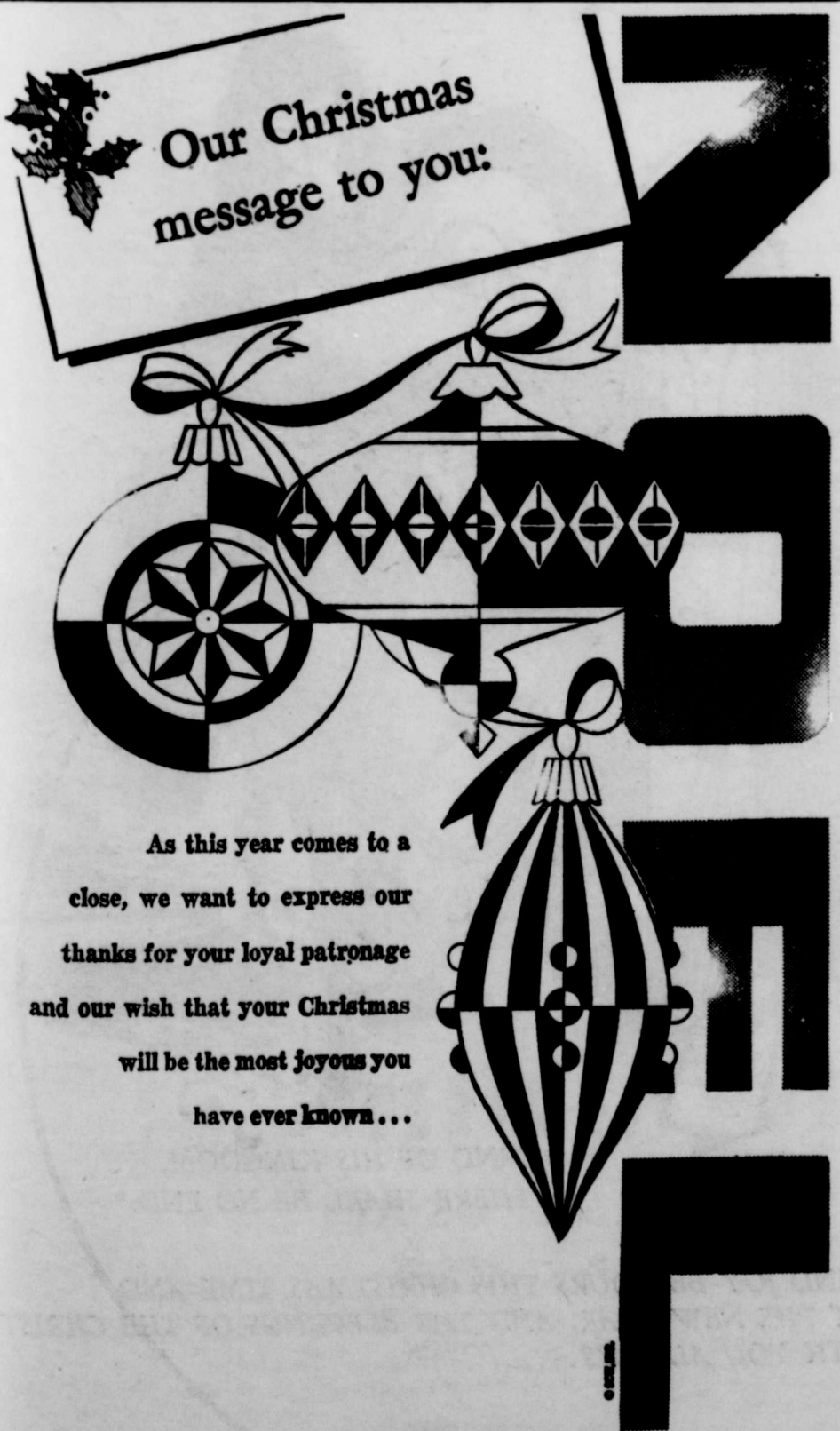
The ancient name of Bethlehem was Beit Lahm, meaning house of bread. The name is no less striking for its spiritual significance, Bethlehem being the place where the world's "Bread of Life" was brought forth. In this connection it is interesting to note that the primeval wheat, which is the original of the cultivated wheat, has been found wild only in this country.



We welcome the opportunity to wish you, our friends and neighbors, the best of everything at Christmas and to thank you for your patronage in the past. We look forward to serving you again!

ASHEL McDANIEL TEXACO

Ashel, Mildred and Terry



As this year comes to a close, we want to express our thanks for your loyal patronage and our wish that your Christmas will be the most joyous you have ever known . . .

Brown Furniture Hardware and Appliance Company

Greetings



... To all of you whom we have so enjoyed serving: we say thanks for your patronage - And, may everything that's bright and gay, Bless your household on Christmas Day!

BUD'S GROCERY AND MARKET

Silverton, Texas

First Grade Letters To Santa

DEAR SANTA,
I want a record player, Slinky and a Big Jim with his camper.
Merry Christmas.
Monroe Hill
First Grade

DEAR SANTA,
I am in the first grade. I want some toys for Christmas. Do not forget the other boys and girls.
Yours truly,
Danny Thomas

DEAR SANTA,
I have been good. I would like a Jennifer doll and a housecoat and a pair of shoes. I am 7 and I am in the first grade.
Signed,
Donna Lavy

DEAR SANTA,
I am in the first grade. I would like a pony for Christmas.
Will you get me it please.
I have been a good boy this year.
Warren Jarrett

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me some toys and

a watch and don't forget Mrs. Elms.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
I hope Christmas was here so you would come and visit me. I am being very nice so you will not be mad at me. I want a cowboy hat and truck.
Signed Martin Segura

DEAR SANTA,
I am in the first grade and my teacher is Mrs. Elms. Please bring me a Crissy Doll.
I thank you very much.
Love,
Sonya

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me chaps, skittle pool and roping reins. I live at Silverton.
Love,
Jim Forbes

DEAR SANTA,
I have a teacher. Her name is Mrs. Elms. I would like a guitar. And a drum. And a basketball goal. And a trampoline. I am seven years old. Frank is one. He wants a backhoe. Shavonne is five. She wants a bicycle.
Angie Lowrey

DEAR SANTA,
I am in the first grade and my name is Jena. I want a bike and surprises. My teacher is Mrs. Elms and please do not forget her.
Love,
Jena

DEAR SANTA,
I want a Hot Wheel Track. I have not been mean. I like you.
Love,
Joe Martinez

DEAR SANTA,
I want you to love everybody. I want a typewriter and a watch. Don't forget Mrs. Elms.
Please bring Melissa and David's toys to our house.
Please bring Donnie a SSP racer.
Thank you,
Michael

DEAR SANTA,
I am a little boy six years old. I am in the first grade.
I would like very much for you to bring me a football and a pair of football shoes for Christmas. I would also like to have some trucks and guns. I have two brothers and two sisters. Please don't forget them. We have tried to be pretty good. We all get along good for a family our size.
Please remember all the other boys and girls in the world.
Don't forget the candy and nuts.
Love,
Todd Clayton
First Grade

DEAR SANTA,
I want to say hello. I hope you can bring me just what I want for Christmas. I want a Barbie, and some clothes to dress her. Don't forget to bring something for my sister and my two brothers. Bye, Santa, and I will be a good girl.
Judy Segura

DEAR SANTA,
I am in the first grade. My teacher is Mrs. Elms. I would like a doll that cries real tears, a dress, gloves, and anything else you want to bring me. I have been good. Don't forget my brother, Brock.
Thank you,
Trenda Nuckels

I am six. I want a Suntan Barbie and a Barbie camper and a hoppity hop and a Miss Beasley.
My teacher is Mrs. Elms and she is very nice.
Love,
Donna Boling

DEAR SANTA,
My name is Diane. I am in the first grade. I am six years old. I have been a good girl all year long.

I would like a bike and a Barbie House with a doll.
My teacher is Mrs. Elms and she is very nice to us.
Remember all the boys and girls.
I love you, Santa.
Patricia Diane Jacobs

DEAR SANTA,
My name is Sandie Jolly. I want a Barbie doll and a doll house. My sister wants a doll, too. Have a nice Christmas.
Your friend,
Sandie

DEAR SANTA,
I am in the first grade. My teacher is Mrs. Elms. I want a whizzer and a crying Baby Tender Love and a Miss America set for Christmas.

I have a brother named Neal. Would you give him some horses and guns.
I have been good this year.
Love, Tammi

DEAR SANTA,
I am seven years old and in the first grade. I would like to have a fat track race set, with sizzlers, and a new winter coat for Christmas.
Tim Wilson
P. S. I love you Santa.
P. S. But don't forget Mrs. Elms

the Spirit of Christmas

from *The Pickwick Papers* by Charles Dickens

Of all the old festivals that of Christmas awakens the strongest and most heartfelt associations. There is a tone of solemn and sacred feeling that blends with our conviviality, and lifts the spirit to a state of hallowed and elevated enjoyment.



There is something in the very season of the year that gives a charm to the festivity of Christmas. At other times we derive a great portion of our pleasures from the mere beauties of nature. Our feelings sally forth and dissipate themselves over the sunny landscape, and we "live abroad and everywhere." . . . But in the depth of winter, when nature lies despoiled of every charm, and wrapped in her shroud of sheeted snow, we turn for our gratifications to moral sources . . . Our thoughts are more concentrated; our friendly

sympathies more aroused. We feel more sensibly the charm of each other's society, and are brought more closely together by dependence on each other for enjoyment. Heart calleth unto heart; and we draw our pleasures from the deep wells of living kindness, which lie in the quiet recesses of our bosoms; and which when resorted to, furnish forth the pure element of domestic felicity.

One of the least pleasing effects of modern refinement is the havoc it has made among the hearty old holiday customs . . . Many of the games and ceremonials of Christmas have entirely disappeared, and like the sherris sack of old Falstaff, are become matters of speculation and dispute among commentators . . .

The world has become more worldly. There is more of dissipation, and less of enjoyment. Pleasure has expanded into a broader, but a shallower stream, and has forsaken many of those deep and quiet channels where it flowed sweetly through the calm bosom of domestic life . . .



GREETING CARD FOR NEW YEAR'S
The first of the year, in what is the time of the greatest joy and is to the native of what Christmas is in America. This is the great family day, the most cherished of all the days on the calendar.
The greeting card custom more extensive in France a Year's than it is in other tries at Christmas. It is duty to mail greetings to acquaintance. The average will feel neglected if he do not receive at least a hundred New Year's is, in fact, a coming with relatives and gathering for the purpose of saluting the new year.

SUPERSTITIONS
IN SOME PARTS OF GLOBE PEOPLE BELIEVE THAT A FULL SALT SEASON FORTELLS A GOOD YEAR. India serves only foods at this date, as think the cooking of new assures prosperity. Rice are used as New Year's in Ceylon. The Chinese refrain from rice and the mans refrain from dumplings these are considered taboos on this date.
In our Southwestern States, Texas, for instance, there a belief that good for would come to those who black-eyed peas on January

The Punch Bowl
When making punch for day party, use a tube cal for freezing grapefruit water tinted green with coloring to which you have red cherries and mint When frozen, put in the bowl to look like a fine Christmas wreath.
YOUR HAPPY NEW YEAR DEPENDS UPON WHAT DO FOR OTHERS.

Boxed Assortments



Religious and Traditional

Some With Bible Verses

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Peace on Earth



"AND OF HIS KINGDOM,
THERE SHALL BE NO END."

MAY PEACE AND JOY BE YOURS THIS CHRISTMAS TIME AND THROUGHOUT THE NEW YEAR, AND THE BLESSINGS OF THE CHRIST CHILD BE WITH YOU ALWAYS . . .

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