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JUDGE GRAHAM FURCELL



JOE BAILEY MEISSNER

## Three Now Seeking Prec. 4 Commissioner's Post

New entry in county politics this week is Ira Coleman, well-known farmer living south of Haskell, who has announced his candidacy for County Commissioner in Prec. 4, subject to the Democratic primaries in 1962.

Mr. Coleman's name appears in The Free Press announcement column this week, and he will make his formal statement to the voters at a later date.

Entry of Mr. Coleman increases to three the number seeking the Prec. 4 Commissioner's post. Incumbent Fran-

Blake is seeking re-election while Bob Melton has also announced his candidacy.

He is the twelfth candidate announcing for county or precinct office in Haskell County.

Mr. Richey was a member of the First Methodist Church, Haskell Lions Club, Masonic Lodge, Council Chapter and Knights Templar in Haskell.

He was also a Shriner of Market Temple of Wichita Falls.

He had served on the board of stewards of the First Methodist Church and had been its chairman for several years.

He was a graduate of Haskell High School and Howard Payne College. He became high school football coach after his graduation from college.

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Mr. Richey is survived by his wife; one daughter, Mrs. Alfred W. Walker of Spur; his mother, Mrs. H. W. Richey of Georgetown; three sisters, Mrs. Ray Engvall of Elgin, Texas; Mrs. Bill Goff of Houston and Miss Margaret Richey with the USAF in Paris, France; and two granddaughters.

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## Funeral Service For W. L. Richey Held Saturday

Funeral service for W. L. (Bill) Richey, prominent businessman and former high school football coach, was held at the First Methodist Church at 3 p. m. Saturday.

Mr. Richey died at his home here at 8 a. m. Friday, after having been in failing health for 16 months.

Officiating at the rites were the Rev. Jordan Grooms, pastor of Polk Street Methodist Church in Amarillo, and the Rev. C. R. LeMond, pastor of the Haskell First Methodist Church.

Burial was in Willow Cemetery under direction of Holden Funeral Home.

Born in Tuscaloosa, Ala., he was the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Richey. He moved with his family to Haskell in 1922 and married the former Miss Opal Martin here in 1931.

He was a member of the First Methodist Church, Haskell Lions Club, Masonic Lodge, Council Chapter and Knights Templar in Haskell.

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## Court Ruling Favors Water District in Year-Old Suit

### Speech Students Guest Speakers At Rotary Club

Young people of today are aware of the opportunities afforded through a college education, and they have an ambition and desire to acquire a higher education, members of the Rotary Club learned Thursday when they heard talks by four Haskell High School seniors and speech students of Mrs. Terry M. Diggs.

The students also have an awareness of the world's problems as well, and the task that will confront them in the future in whatever fields they enter.

The group of talented speakers, Phyllis Cooper, Phil Spain, James Gay and Stephen Pace, were presented by Ferrell Coston, program chairman for the day.

Club President R. A. Lane presided for the meeting and commented on the club's attendance record for the past month. Club sing song was led by "Woody" Woodard.

Guests and visitors present were Sue Christian, HHS Senior and the club's Student Guest for the month; Postmaster Harold Spain of Haskell; Wilson Bean and H. D. Gam-mill of Rochester.

### Annual 4-H Club Steer Show to Be Held Dec. 29th

The annual Haskell County 4-H Club Steer Show will be held in Haskell Dec. 29th, according to F. W. Martin, County Agent.

There will be about 20 steers to show. The following 4-H members will exhibit steers: Ricky Perry, Paint Creek Club, Andy Gannaway of Haskell, Jack Hammer of Weinstert, David Gannaway of Haskell, Judy Boone of Weinstert, and R. A. Shaver III of Rochester.

Ricky Perry, Jack Hammer, Judy Boone, and R. A. Shaver III each have two steers entered in the Sand Hills Hereford Show at Odessa, Texas. The show starts on December 31 and will end on January 5.

Mrs. R. H. Jones Funeral Rites Held Tuesday

Funeral service for Mrs. R. H. Jones, 78, was held at the Weinstert First Baptist Church at 2:30 p. m. Tuesday with the pastor, Rev. W. C. Tucker officiating, assisted by V. C. Hobbs, lay member of the church.

Burial was in Weinstert Cemetery under direction of Holden Funeral Home.

Mrs. Jones, who had been in failing health for the past three years, died at 2:30 a. m. Monday in the Haskell Hospital.

She was born Birdie Albright on Sept. 2, 1885, in Arkansas. She came to Haskell County in 1920 and was married to Rufus H. Jones on Sept. 18, 1921, in Weinstert.

Mrs. Jones was a member of the First Baptist Church of Weinstert and was active in church work. She was a charter member of the Weinstert Matrons Club which was organized in 1923.

Survivors include her husband; two step-sons, Arnold of Wichita Falls and Roy of Houston; one grandson, Bob W. Jones of Wichita Falls; two sisters, Mrs. Pearl Turner of Mount Pleasant, Tenn., and Mrs. Z. W. Siddens of Long Beach, Calif.

Palbearers were Harlan Weinstert, Ennis Rainey, Russell Rainey, Willie Medford, Floyd McGuire and Ernest McGuire.

### P. E. Shotwell Pays Tribute To Members of Haskell Lions Club

The Texas Lions Camp for Crippled Children at Kerrville was honored Tuesday noon with a special program of the Haskell Lions Club.

P. E. Shotwell, Athletic Director of McMurry College, Abilene, paid tribute to members of the Haskell Club, and the other Lions of Texas who are providing the handicapped children of Texas with a camp of their own.

Along with his talk, Mr. Shotwell showed a film, "Pathway to Happiness" which pictured colorful scenes of the Texas Lions Crippled Children's Camp at Kerrville.

Hugh Ratliff was in charge of the program, and introduced the guest speaker.

The camp was opened in 1953 and accommodated 236 crippled, blind, deaf and mute youngsters the first year. Since then, the camp has grown steadily until it is now serving up a summer filled with fun to 730 children each year.

Since it was opened, the unique camp has given more than 5,000 youngsters the thrill of a lifetime as they learn to swim, to camp outdoors under the stars and develop new skills in various handicrafts.

The camp represents an investment of \$600,000 in 16 permanent buildings. It is financed by dues of Lions and by gifts from members, clubs

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### Gun Club Will Sponsor Trap Shoot Sunday

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### Mrs. Dale Garrett To Have Surgery In Houston

Mrs. Dale Garrett of Lefors, Texas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ree Gardner of Haskell, recently had surgery for removal of a small mole on her left forearm and is scheduled for further surgery Jan. 11 in Anderson Medical Center, Houston. She will likely be hospitalized there for a period of from seven to 10 days.

Following initial surgery, her physician advised a second operation at the Houston hospital. Mrs. Garrett is now at home in Lefors, where Mr. Garrett is employed by Sinclair Oil Company.

Mrs. Garrett will be remembered as the former Brucille Gardner.

### County Clerk Horace O'Neal Will Resign to Enter Private Business

County Clerk Horace O'Neal, veteran county official whose tenure of service in the court house goes back to Jan. 1, 1943, this week announced his intention of resigning as County Clerk. He plans to engage in private business, he stated.

Effective Jan. 1, 1962, the retiring county official will be associated with the public accounting firm of Hart and Knight, certified public accountants of Abilene.

For the immediate future, Mr. O'Neal will be working in the Ranger office of the Abilene firm and the Haskell couple has rented a residence and will make their home in Ranger. However, Mr. O'Neal plans to be in Haskell one day each week for a time in order to service his income tax clients here, he stated.

His formal resignation will be presented to the Commissioners' Court at its next regular session, which will be Wednesday, Dec. 27. Mr. O'Neal's term in office extends through Dec. 31, 1962, which will make it necessary for the Court to appoint a successor to serve during the ensuing year.

The popular County Clerk has served as a public official continuously since Jan. 1, 1943 following his election as District Clerk in the 1942 primaries. After serving two terms in that office he was elected County Clerk and has served in that capacity until the present time.

In addition to his official duties, Mr. O'Neal has been active in civic affairs and in the work of his church, the Haskell Church of Christ.

The County Clerk is among officials to be elected in the 1962 primaries and general election for a four-year term. Only candidate announcing to date for the office is W. W. (Bill) Reeves of this city who entered the race several weeks ago.

## Ministers "Swap" Pulpits to Be At Home Christmas

An exchange of pulpits for Sunday, Dec. 24, will enable Minister Jim Pennington of the Haskell Church of Christ and Minister Hartsell Johnson of the Edmond, Okla., Church of Christ to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents and friends in their "home town."

Minister and Mrs. Pennington and family will leave this weekend to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Pennington in Oklahoma City, Okla. Sunday, he will preach at the Church of Christ in nearby Edmond, Okla.

Coming to Haskell from Edmond, Okla., this weekend will be Minister and Mrs. Hartsell Johnson and family to spend Christmas in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Johnson and with the young minister's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Boggs.

Also, the Oklahoma minister will preach both morning and evening hours at the Haskell Church of Christ.

## Collision Draws Traffic Ticket For Oklahoman

An Oklahoma man was given a traffic ticket for making a turn on the highway without signaling, in connection with the collision of a pickup truck and an automobile in Weinstert about 6 p. m. Thursday.

Joe Davis, farmer of the Mattson community, was driver of a GMC pickup which was smashed into by a 1959 Chevrolet car driven by Ovis Stei-phen of Sulphur, Okla. Neither man was injured, but both vehicles were damaged.

The accident was investigated by Highway Patrolman Jesse Priest.

## C-C Directors to Renew Lease On Present Office Headquarters

Chamber of Commerce directors, at their December business meeting and breakfast Tuesday morning voted to renew a five-year lease on the Nelson Building now occupied as office headquarters, heard reports on current activities of the organization, and set up a nominating committee for 1962.

Ex-Officio Director Abe Turner, president of Haskell Jaycees, gave a report on the organization's current project, selling Christmas trees, and

stated that sales had been good to date.

President Ira Hester announced appointment of the nominating committee, and asked that the list of nominees be prepared as soon as possible.

Directors expressed their approval of President Hester's action in endorsing "the proposed Trinity River development being sponsored by Fort Worth and Dallas to provide cheaper freight transportation for that area.

A report on the Christmas drawings being held in connection with the holiday season was given by Lon Pate. He said the program was one of the most successful used in any Christmas program to date.

Dr. T. W. Williams gave a report on interesting and beneficial programs presented at a recent meeting of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce in Abilene. He suggested that more C of C members and local business men attend these sessions.

## Correction: No U-F Money Goes To Youth Center

In an article last week listing amounts paid agencies cooperating in the United Fund, the Youth Center was incorrectly listed in the Summer Recreation Fund.

The United Fund included in its current budget the Summer Recreation Program, but none of this goes to the Youth Center.

The Youth Center is not affiliated with the United Fund, and no money contributed to the United Fund goes to the Youth Center.

Ollie Carson, Haskell Courts	5.00
In Memory of, Ralph Raney	20.00
Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Chapman	10.00
Duncan Gin	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Oates	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Oates	5.00
Jessie Vick	5.00
Mayre J. Tubbs	10.00
Mary Turner	5.00
Haskell IOOF Lodge, No. 525	25.00
Haskell Jaycees	50.00
Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Diggs	5.00
Mrs. Frank Spencer	15.00
Haskell Free Press	15.00
In Memory of, Ralph Raney (Evelyn)	10.00
Delma Williams	10.00
Anonymous	5.00
Anonymous	5.00
W. L. Campbell	3.00
Anonymous	1.00
Anonymous Gary	5.00
Anonymous	5.00
Total	\$693.00

## Gifts of More Gifts, Goodfellows Fill Baskets

and sometimes four or five children having to live on as little as \$6 or \$8 a week," he said. These families are destitute, and to them the Christmas food baskets will literally be a Godsend. A few toys and possibly several items of children's usable clothing will complete a Christmas miracle for many of these impoverished families.

There's still time for you to join the Goodfellows in providing Christmas cheer for those in need in our community. Hand your gift today to any member of the Lions Club, or mail it to "Goodfellows" in care of The Free Press. All gifts will be acknowledged in the columns of the newspaper.

Total received to date, including gifts during the past week, are listed below.

Previously acknowledged \$470.00  
Neighbors Hobby Club 12.00  
Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Conner 25.00  
Perry Motor Co. 5.00



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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC - Any erroneous reflection upon the character, reputation or standing of any firm, individual or corporation will be gladly corrected...

The Miracle of Christmas

There is so much about Christmas that is all too obvious. Colored lights are everywhere. Store windows come alive with beautiful decorations...

Despots, dictators and disbelievers have had their day in history's pages. Good 'isms' and bad 'isms' have made their mark upon the walls of time...

Can Someone Hear Him?

(Wisconsin Traffic Safety Reporter)

Several days after the accident that claimed the lives of his parents and his brothers and sisters, seven-year-old Randy still woke up crying for his mother, hospital nurses reported.

Haskell County History

December 18, 1942

The Lions Club will sponsor a Christmas party for a group of children Tuesday evening, Dec. 21, in the High School Activity Building...

Four names have been filed as candidates in the special city election Dec. 21 when two Aldermen will be elected to fill vacancies on the City Council.

Miss Martelle Clifton, who is employed in San Antonio, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mart Clifton...

Joe Ed Parsons, stationed at Galveston Air Base, has been promoted to the rank of staff sergeant. The son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Parsons of Rule, Sgt. Parsons has been in the Air Force more than a year as a radio operator.

Jack Redwine brought in a fine lot of turkeys Wednesday and sold them to Fields Bros. store. They ran in size from a pound to two and a half pounds...

Miss Clara Cliff, who is teaching school in Dallas, is here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Cliff.

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Dr. J. M. Gose in the northwest part of town was destroyed by fire of unknown origin early Saturday morning. The Gose family was away from home, visiting in Wichita Falls at the time.

Miss Helen McFatter visited her brother at Goree Sunday. She was accompanied home by her brother, Charles McFatter and Miss Amanda McCann...

There will be Christmas trees tonight (Saturday) at the Christian Church, Methodist Church, Baptist Church and the Presbyterian Church.

Our senior editor, Mr. Oscar MARTIN, is in receipt of a nice Christmas present from N. C. Smith of Hagerman, N. M.

Grady Webster, editor of The Byers Herald, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Webster.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Laird left Sunday night for Hubbard

City, where they will make their future home.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Key left Wednesday night for Waco. Mrs. Key will spend the holidays in that city with her parents, and Mr. Key will go to Austin to spend the holidays with his parents in that city.

Patrick Henry of Wichita Falls spent Thursday in the city arranging for the Henry Business College opening here the first of the year.

Miss Mamie Meadors left Thursday night for Alpine to spend the holidays.

William W. F. Druesedow left Monday night for Corpus Christi. They are on a land deal, and may invest in lands in that section.

Methodist and Christian Sunday Schools will have a Christmas tree at the Methodist church, and the Presbyterians and the Baptists will have a joint tree and program at the latter church.

G. M. Clayton was out at his ranch in the northeast part of the county this week and when he started home Wednesday, he placed his gun in the bottom of his wagon.

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Mr. and Mrs. Abel Jones returned Monday from Abilene. Mr. Jones is much improved in health.

J. D. Hughes of Georgetown was here this week looking after his ranch on Paint Creek.

Dr. J. E. Lindsey and son, Jim, came up from Abilene on Monday and spent several days here with friends. The doctor looks so natural on the streets that it is hard to realize he is just back on a trip and doesn't still belong here.

J. T. Wright, a prominent lawyer of Throckmorton, was here several days this week.

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Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the HASKELL NATIONAL BANK of Haskell, Texas, will be held in the office of said bank in the city of Haskell, State of Texas, on the second Tuesday in January, A. D. 1942, the same being the 9th day of said month, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon...

People, Places & Things

By A. PATE

To old friends and new, as we come to the happiest season of the year, we extend the warmest of Christmas wishes.

A very special Merry Christmas to those in our midst and elsewhere who because of circumstances are compelled to be away from home and loved ones during the holiday season; to the patients in our convalescent homes and our Hospital, its staff and nurses, and personnel in the hospital kitchen; to every member of our school faculty, the lunchroom workers, custodians and bus drivers.

Merry Christmas to the dedicated ministers who serve each church in our community; to President Kennedy; our county and city officials, our peace officers, Highway Patrol and our efficient firemen.

Not forgetting the Boss and the finest group of co-workers anyone could want; our friendly (and hopeful) banker; the druggists who fill our prescriptions; the taxi driver; the efficient waitresses in our cafes, and the boys and girls at the fountains; the grocery clerks and the friendly people in the post office.

May the spirit of the season extend into the home of every one, and the warmth and joy of the holiday reach into every heart.

And, as Tiny Tim said, "God bless us every one!"

Clay Smith relays this bit of dialogue, which he says took place in Oklahoma.

The big-time Charley said to the well-stocked Indian girl: "I've got two-bits that says I can take you out and show you the best time you ever had."

Cost of holding Saturday's special election in Haskell County is estimated at \$1,000 or more, or better than \$1.50 per ballot, considering that about 700 votes were polled.

Three times as many, or more, voters could have marked ballots without increasing the total cost, but evidently a great many people didn't consider the election of a representative in Congress of sufficient importance to take off a few minutes and vote.

We salute the Haskell Jaycees this week for their generous donation of \$50 to the Good-fellows Fund.

Members of this live-wire organization give freely of their time, talent, and labors to furthering community projects and on top of that they dig into their own treasury and individual pockets if necessary to give financial support to projects they approve as worthwhile.

A number of Jaycees worked long hours in disagreeable weather to install the new Christmas lights in the business section. Ordinarily, that would have been considered sufficient contribution from a civic organization to the community's Christmas program.

With apologies to the advertising department of Fina Oil, it can be said that "Haskell Jaycees are trustworthy, dependable, courteous, upright, sincere, honest, straightforward, accommodating, hard-working, reliable, helpful... and man, how they work on community projects."

The practice of giving a pre-

mium for the first bale of cotton ginned each year is a custom of long standing in towns like Haskell where the business economy is linked with agriculture.

The premium, generally an award of money, is eagerly sought each fall as the cotton crop begins to mature and in most cases the winner goes over a large acreage to secure enough open bolls for the "first bale."

All of which brings us to the point that it will be a simple matter for any one of a large number of farmers in the Haskell area to gin the "first" bale in 1942.

An earlyday county surveyor here, Ed Morris, was also something of a pencil sketch artist, a Haskell woman recalls.

Around 1910 (that's why we are not using her name) she was a telephone operator in the local exchange. The switchboard was located on the second floor of the old Haskell National Bank building, now occupied by Sherman's.

Switchboard operators had a vantage point from where they could watch anything happening almost anywhere on the square.

Our friend recalls that a hotly-contested law suit had been transferred here and set for trial. On the day of the hearing, the judge decided to continue the case and did so.

At noon, when the judge, a large man, left the west entrance of the courthouse, the disappointed litigant was waiting for him. Confronting the judge, the man drew a six-shooter and told the judge to get his hands up.

The judge complied, and to the nervous girls in the telephone exchange who were watching the proceedings, it seemed the judge's hand were almost touching the clouds as he stood there being berated by the angry man with the six-shooter. Finally, after "telling off" the judge, he pocketed his pistol and strode to his buggy and drove off.

Another witness was Ed Morris, the surveyor, who had walked out of the courthouse behind the judge. Later, after his nerves had quieted, Morris sketched a drawing showing the gunman and the hapless judge, his hands high in the air. The sketch, in which both parties were easily recognizable, was displayed around town for weeks afterwards.

She did not recall, however, what charges, if any, were

preferred against the man who "held up" the judge.

Among the many pranks pulled on newcomers here in early days, according to Virgil Hudson, a popular one was the "walk out" treatment.

The "walk out" treatment, this deal could be used almost anywhere and required no rehearsal or advance planning. However, the locale was generally in a barber shop or livery stable where a group of men usually congregated to sit and talk.

A newcomer would be induced to start talking about himself or the area he came from, some experience he had gone through, etc.

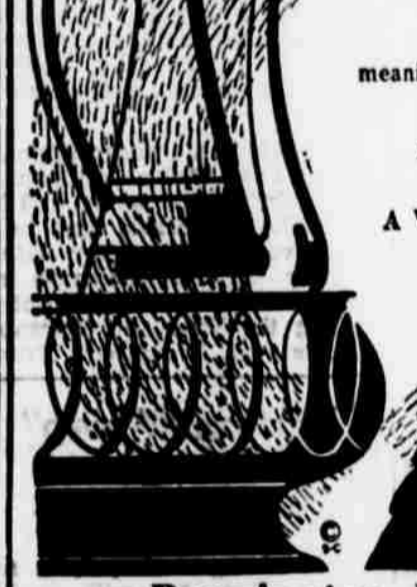
When the poor dupe had gotten well into his subject, some one in the group would get up, yawn, and remark he'd better go and walk out. Others would follow suit quickly, leaving the newcomer without an audience and generally red-faced as he realized what had happened to him.

Sometimes the "walk out" was used effectively on the local windbags, or when some of the gentry became overloaded with talking juice.

One instance is related, however, when the would-be victim turned the tables and kept his audience "captive" until he finished his talk.

Marked as the victim was a likable character known to everybody as "Uncle Andy," and a man who considered it a duty to do a bit of "juggling" every time the occasion presented itself.

A bachelor and well up in years, "Uncle Andy" was fairly talkative when so-



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Best Wishes for the Holidays ELIZABETH STEWART Dora Montgomery \* Alene Rainey Frances Kreger \* Sylvia Aboldt

EVERY DAY, EVERY MONTH We at West Texas Utilities Company speak to you of newness, of modernity, of living better electrically. That is our pleasure. All those things are the reward of the 20th Century. But none of us wants modern terms to obscure for us our nation's oldest and most cherished values of self-reliance, individual initiative and unbroken opportunity. So let's pause together now with the Christmas lights that these "old-fashioned" values, these season-long true values, will light our paths in all the months of the year to come. West Texas Utilities Company

### Organic Matter Storehouse of Plant Nutrients

By F. W. MARTIN  
County Agent

Organic matter is the storehouse of plant nutrients in your soil. It is literally the "fat of the land."

Organic matter results from the decomposition of plant-animal materials by soil organisms. On the average it contains 56 percent carbon and 5 percent nitrogen.

You may ask, "Of what value is organic matter in the soil? Organic matter improves soil structure with a corresponding increase in the rate of infiltration and water storage capacity. Organic matter improves soil aeration, loosens dense, compact soils, at the same time granulating loose, open sandy soils to give them a friable, crumb structure. Organic matter exerts a strong influence on the exchange capacity of the soil, and also acts as a buffer to prevent rapid changes or fluctuations in soil acidity or alkalinity. During the decomposition of organic matter, a continuous supply of carbon dioxide, nitrogen in various forms, phosphorus and other nutrients so essential to plant growth are liberated. Organic matter serves as a storage facility for mineral nutrients such as calcium, magnesium, nitrogen, and many others making them less likely to be lost in drainage or water seepage. Organic matter makes the soil more favorable for vigorous, rapidly developing root system of young plants.

Continuous cultivation without attention to regular additions of residues gradually lowers the organic matter of your soils. This level may become so low that maximum production cannot be obtained. Regular addition of cotton burs to your land will offset this condition. Cotton, a clean-tilled crop, does not produce much residue; for this reason, you need to restore regularly organic matter which is lost during cultivation of the crop. Soil organic matter decomposes relatively fast when moisture, temperature and aeration conditions are favorable. In many of the areas of Texas these conditions are favorable for rapid decomposition over long periods. Soils in these areas, therefore, are not able to accumulate a high content of organic matter. For maximum production, regular additions of residues should be made to such soils to maintain a favorable balance. Cotton burs and other crop residues are relatively high in carbon and low in nitrogen. Their decomposition process temporarily uses up much of the available nitrogen in the soil. To avoid this situation, apply burs well in advance of the crop season or supplement them with additional nitrogen from a chemical source. Nitrogen plowed down with cotton burs is beneficial in the following ways:

1. It hastens the transformation of cotton burs into active organic matter.  
2. It results in a larger amount of active organic matter from a given quantity of crude cotton burs.  
3. It provides an additional supply of available nitrogen for the crop that follows.  
4. It prevents any depression in yield which may result from plowing down heavy applications of cotton burs which are high in woody materials and low in nitrogen.

**AROMATIC ITEMS**  
Frankincense and myrrh, aromatic resins which the Wise Men brought as gifts when they followed the Star of Bethlehem to the place of the Nativity, are valued ingredients in the manufacturing of perfume of the oriental type. Essential oils are obtained from the resins by distillation.

### Letters to Santa

Dear Santa:  
I want a doll, a Concentration Game, a nurse kit, a Paladin gun and a pair of house shoes and skates.  
Janie Lou Kelley  
P. S.—Don't forget little Jim Turner, it is his first Christmas.

Dear Santa:  
I think I have been a good girl this year. If you think I was, would you please give me a Soni doll and a record player and Silent Night and Rudolph and Santa Claus Is Coming to Town. And an Alice wrist watch and anything else you want to give me. Love, and Merry Christmas.  
Janice Rainey  
Weinert, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl five years old. Please bring me a doll house and a pair of roller skates. My little sister, Rosemary, would like a baby doll and a play piano. Thank you, Catherine Ann Kimbrough

Dear Santa:  
I am six years old. For Christmas this year I would like for you to bring me a Shirley Temple doll with some clothes if you have one. And some clothes for a little doll that was given me last Christmas. I also would like a stuffed dog, and an overnight bag. Please don't forget all other children. Love,  
Sharon Lynn Hise,  
Star Route, Haskell  
Johnson City, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
My name is Adella Rhoads. I am 20 months old. I hope you can come to Haskell to see me. I am visiting in my Me-mas and Pe-pas in Haskell. They are Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Rhoads and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Merchant.

I want a doll, a telephone, some books about Jesus, and many other things.  
Don't go too fast, because Rudolph might get tired before he gets to see other boys and girls.  
There will be cookies and milk on the coffee table for you. I love you, "Santa Claus."  
Adella Rhoads.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am 6 years old and in the first grade. I have tried to be a good girl. Please bring me a cowgirl or cowboy suit and boots. I would like a doll, too. Please don't forget my sister, Sheila and all the other boys and girls.  
Love,  
Susan Gilleland

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little girl eight years old and I am looking forward to your visit Christmas Eve. I would like to have a Chaty Cathy doll because my name is Cathy, too. I would also like to have a microscope and chemistry set, a radio and a game.

Please don't forget all the children in the world and Merry Christmas.  
Love always,  
Cathy Adkins

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...man who helps me here lives in less fortunate circumstances than many of your readers. He has—or had—a wife and a boy of three and a baby girl of seven months. Owing to unemployment, before he joined me, the water in his house cut off; his heating and cooking is by wood stove with which he is able to acquire. My friend asked if he could have time off to take his wife to hospital, as she appeared to be sick. The diagnosis, for which \$4, was bronchial pneumonia; my friend was given a doctor's bill and told to take the baby home; a kindly drug-store made a loan on credit. At 1:30 p. m. the baby died. Many of the candidates presently running for political office call themselves Democrats, Republicans, Conservatives, have-you, support the campaign for Socialized Medicine, have my vote; I would like to feel that there is a man, a man from D. C. or Haskell, Texas, who believes that a small group of all the people would ensure adequate medical attention and poor alike.

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# WOMEN'S INTEREST WOMEN

## Weinert Matrons Club Has Annual Christmas Dinner

Weinert Matrons Club held their annual Christmas dinner party Thursday evening at the Center. Invocation was given by Rev. Lloyd Jones, Weinert Methodist pastor.

Games of progressive "42" were played. Gift exchange was under the direction of Mrs. P. F. Weinert.

Mrs. H. W. Liles announced the next meeting to be Jan. 4, 1962, at the center. Officers will be elected for the 1962-63 club year.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Guess, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Hammer, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. King, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Liles, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Liles, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Liles, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Mayfield, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Monke, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Plemister, Mrs. G. C. Newsom, Mrs. R. J. Rainey, Mrs. Henry Vojkufka, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Turnbow, Mrs. P. F. Weinert, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Winchester, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Boykin, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Coggins, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Myers, Mrs. Grace Reid, Rev. and Mrs. Lloyd Jones.

## President Hosts Delta Kappa Gamma Chapter

Members of Beta Chi Chapter, Delta Kappa Gamma, international society for women educators, met for their regular meeting Saturday evening in the home of the Chapter President, Mrs. Gretchen Colehour, Knox City.

Each member brought a dish which is a particular favorite on the Christmas menu of some foreign country. These were served buffet from a table covered with white linen and centered with an arrangement of Christmas roses illuminated by votive lights.

A miniature rose tree and red tapers on the mantel and Christmas boughs and candles on the coffee table added beauty to the host's home, lovely with its seasonal decorations.

Mrs. Jean Schwadlenak and Mrs. Lillian Logan, both of Knox City, were elected to active membership. A silver offering was brought for the chapter's scholarship fund.

Mrs. Virginia Casey was program chairman. She presented Mrs. Alice Wynn who read "Twelfth Night" by Nancy Turner, accompanied by Mrs. Casey, sang "O Holy Night." Mrs. E. F. Branton read the Christmas story from St. Luke. Mrs. E. R. Carpenter led the group in singing Christmas carols.

To close the meeting, the members joined in the singing of "The Delta Kappa Gamma Song."

Twenty members attended from Old Glory, Haskell, Weinert, Goree, Munday, Aspermont and Knox City.

## Christmas Dinner Given for Mobil Personnel

Thos. B. Roberson, consignee for Mobil Oil products in the Haskell trade territory, entertained employees and Mobil dealers and their wives at a Christmas dinner Monday night in the banquet room of the Highway Drive Inn.

Present for the affair were Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Smith and family of Stamford, Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Almond and Mr. and Mrs. Norwood of Rule, Mr. and Mrs. Travis CLOPTON, Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Drinnon and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Drinnon and family, Mrs. Mildred Robertson and daughters, Patsy Sharon and Dianna, Bill Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. B. Roberson, Sara Sue Roberson, all of Haskell.

## Lutheran Church Women's Group Meets Thursday

The A.L.C.W. of the Trinity Lutheran Church held its December meeting and Christmas party on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 14 at 2 p. m. in the church annex.

The devotions and Bible Study were given by Pastor James Schaefer. A number of hymns were sung.

Roll call was answered by members present, with "Divisions of the American Lutheran Church."

Offering meditation was given by Mrs. Gus Rueffer and the business meeting was closed with "The Lord's Prayer" and "The Table Prayer" hymns being sung in unison.

Following the business meeting the members exchanged Christmas gifts and secret pals were revealed. The ladies also drew secret pal names for the coming year.

The past year's activities were discussed and appreciation expressed to those who served as officers the past year. These were: President, Mrs. Martin Rueffer; vice-president, Mrs. Elton Kloese; secretary, Mrs. Herbert Fischer; treasurer, Mrs. George Kloese; reporter, Mrs. Ernest Peiser; secretary of education, Mrs. Felix Kloese; and secretary of stewardship, Mrs. Paul Dick.

On behalf of our departments thanks went to Mrs. Willie Peiser, for service as altar and visitation; Mrs. Herbert Fischer and Mrs. G. H. Muegge for "Hospitality"; Mrs. Paul Fischer for our "Treasure Chest" Department; Mrs. Annie Kretschmer for "Memorials" Department; and Mrs. George Moeller Sr. for work in the "Sick Department" sending cards to those who were ill. The Trinity Lutheran A.L.C.W. has grown in many ways through the service of these women.

At the close of the Christmas party which followed the business meeting, delicious refreshments were enjoyed by 21 members and guests. Those preparing and serving the refreshments were Mrs. Laura Optz and Mrs. Paul Fischer.

## Neighbors Hobby Club Meets With Mrs. Harris

Twelve members gathered at the home of Mrs. Henry Harris at 11:30 Wednesday, Dec. 13, to enjoy a lovely Christmas luncheon featuring baked ham, salads and desserts.

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Mrs. Clyde Beaty of Weinert, holds the stub entitling her to four U. S. Royal tires as first-place winner in the drawing recently at Wooten's big 10th Anniversary celebration. Haskell County Sheriff Garth Garrett drew the winning ticket for Mrs. Beaty. Pictured with Mrs. Beaty is E. A. Beaty. Around 1,000 persons participated in the celebration, owner-operator Wallace Wooten said.

## Mrs. Perkins Is Guest Speaker at Magazine Club

A timely, thought-provoking message was brought to the Magazine Club by its distinguished guest speaker, Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins of Eastland, at its Christmas program Friday, Dec. 13.

"He Holds the Whole World in His Hands" was Mrs. Perkins' speech title. Drawing from her experiences in educational activities, the fine arts, and world travel, she presented an interesting interpretation of the title as one of the finest conceptions of our happiness and security.

A selected series of colored slides complemented her remarks.

Members of the Magazine Club had as their guests, members of the Harmony Club, and were greeted by the club president, Mrs. C. J. Robinson.

Mrs. J. U. Fields, program leader for the day, presented Mrs. Clinton Kimbrough who directed the Junior Choir Bell Ringers from the First Baptist Church in a brief musical interlude. Playing "The First Noel" and "Joy to the World" were Christine Watson, Sarah Yearry, Deanna Robertson and Theresa Abbott.

The speaker was also introduced by Mrs. Fields. Gold and red were colors used for the seasonal decorations in the clubroom. Social chairman, Mrs. Joe E. Thigpen, presided at the coffee service. She was assisted by Mrs. Jack Pippin, Mrs. Alfred Pierson and Miss Nettie McCollum.

The emperor of Japan no longer maintains his spiritual titles, giving them up in 1946.

## Hospital Notes

### PATIENTS

Haskell—Mrs. R. P. Elmore, medical. Mrs. C. V. Schwartz, medical. Bill Larned, medical. G. W. Ammons, medical. Jack Hunt, medical. Mrs. G. W. Jones, medical. L. A. Singleton, accident. Kelly Sue Jones, medical. Mrs. L. N. Lusk, medical.

O'Brien—Jesse Lee Dennington, med. Old Glory—Mrs. Lenora Dumas, medical.

Weinert—Delores Jan Raynes, medical. Mrs. G. W. Jones, medical.

### DISMISSED

R. D. Means, Haskell; J. F. Kennedy, Haskell; Mrs. Glen King, Haskell; Jeffrey Wade Trammell, O'Brien; Jose Del Borne, Weinert; Leroy Thomason, Merkel; Bruce Luttrell, Haskell; Maria Jo Lehmann, Sagerton; F. A. Karr, Snyder; Myron Biard, Haskell; Billy Fred Weaver, Haskell; Becky Barnard, Knox City; W. W. Hardy, Rochester; Marie Thompson, Haskell; Carl Fischer, Haskell; W. F. Prater, Haskell; Mrs. Joe Lowrey, Rule.

### THE VERY NEWEST

Mr. and Mrs. Cirilo Mendoza Garcia, Haskell, a girl, Polly Ann, born Dec. 17, 1961, weight 3 lbs., 11 oz.

Rev. and Mrs. D. S. Moore Jr., Haskell, a boy, Timothy Don, born Dec. 16, 1961, weight 7 lbs., 14 oz.

Malta is not a single compact island. It consists of a main island, containing 94.9 square miles, two much smaller islands, Gozo and Comino, and a few uninhabited islets.

## Mrs. McCurley Hosts Christmas Party for Club

The Sunshine Sewing Club met in the home of Mrs. Lucille McCurley on Dec. 12 for its annual Christmas Party. The house was artistically decorated with Christmas arrangements.

The hostess, Mrs. McCurley, presided for a short business meeting. Minutes of the last meeting were read and committees gave their reports. A prayer was offered by Mrs. Georgia Mae Fouts.

Mrs. Wilma Brown was in charge of the Christmas Program. Mrs. Lulu Smith brought a beautiful devotional Christmas Carols were sung, led by Mrs. Thalia Jenkins. Several Christmas readings were given. Then gifts were exchanged from the Christmas tree.

A door prize was given to Mrs. Della Ashley and Mrs. Lucille McCurley received the hostess gift.

A colorful refreshment plate was served to the following members: Mesdames Wilma Brown, Maudie Lee Jones, Thalia Jenkins, Ocie Cass, Maudie Rhoads, Lulu Smith, Ora McMillin, Della Ashley, Georgia May Fouts, Trudie Wheeler, Lucille McCurley.

## Dorcas Class Has Christmas Social Thursday Night

The Dorcas Sunday School Class of the East Side Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Opal Rose Thursday night, Dec. 14, for their regular six weeks meeting and Christmas social.

The meeting was called to order by the vice president, Louise Smith in the absence of the president, Nina Dunnam, who was ill. Old and new business was discussed.

Mrs. L. D. Regeon brought the devotional from the 4th chapter of John on "Love—God Is Love." Mrs. Lillian Fanks led in prayer.

Pals were revealed and names drawn for the next social.

A refreshment plate of fruit cake, coffee and hot chocolate was served to the following members present: Louise Howard, Alta Harvey, LaVerne New, Virginia Daniels, Doris Darnell, Mary Lou Fought, Marie Marr, Ocie Garrett, Marie Smart, Pauline Redding, Doris Roberts, Eva Huggins, Lillian Hodgen, Maylene Hesse, Bessie Melton, Nelda Jettison, Minnie Faye Turner; the class mother, Mrs. Lillian Banks, the hostess and teacher, Mrs. Opal Rose.

## Children's Party Held Sunday at Catholic Center

A Christmas party for the grade school children in Catechism Classes at the Haskell Catholic Center was held last Sunday immediately after Mass. The children played games and sang Christmas songs.

Sponsoring the party were: Mrs. George Bailey, Mrs. Victor Sanchez Jr., Mrs. Cruz Acosta and Mrs. Petra Martinez.

## B&PW Club Has Christmas Program

The Business and Professional Women's Club met Tuesday, Dec. 12, at the Community Room of the Haskell National Bank for their regular meeting and Christmas program. Mrs. Lee Barnett was guest speaker. She read the story "The Unexpected Guest," by candle light, which made the setting more effective for the occasion.

The Club room was decorated for the occasion with wreaths of holly centered with candles. The program coordination committee was in charge of the program. Artie May Burkett, chairman, introduced the speaker, Ramia Lee Frazier, president, presided for the meeting. Hostesses for the and Program Coordination committee.

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### Engineering Firm to Make Shelter Survey for Area

Signing of the contract with Boone and Pope is expected to take place within a week. Work to be accomplished under the contract will include the location of existing buildings and other facilities which have a potential for use as public fallout shelters and the tabulation of basic data on same to permit evaluation of the protective characteristics of these facilities. It will be one of the first such contracts to be awarded in the state.

Col. West explained that subsequent phases of the program will include marking, with owner's consent, those facilities which meet structural and space requirements for use as public fallout shelters and the preparation of plans and estimates of costs for improvement, where necessary, of those facilities which do not meet current requirements but do have a potential for use as a public shelter.

Data developed by the survey will be furnished local Civil Defense authorities for use in preparation of shelter utilization and Civil Defense plans.

Basic requirements of a building to be included in the survey as a potential shelter for use by the general public include: space for at least 50 persons, with walls and roof of thickness that will block all but 1/20th of radiation present outside.

Col. West is being provided support for conducting the program in the State by the District Engineer at Galveston, and the Eighth Naval District Department of Public Works Officer, New Orleans, for the Southeastern and Southern portion of the State, and the District Engineer at Albuquerque, New Mexico, for the western part of Texas.

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We will be ready for you on Christmas morning. Don't forget to drink your hot cocoa and eat the cookies we put on the table. You know you forgot last year.

Remember our stockings are hanging to be filled. Remember also all the other little boys and girls and make them happy.

Your friends,  
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### Letters to Santa

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little boy, 2 1/2 years old. I have tried to be a good boy most of the time. I want a "bity" jeep for Christmas, one that I can ride in with pedals. I like candy too, so bring me some and some chewing gum. Be good to all boys and girls. Hurry up and come.

Your friend,  
Jack Rueffer  
P. S.: My big sister Helen wants a record player and some records. Don't forget her.

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Dear Santa Claus,  
I hope you will bring me a tool belt with lots of tools and other things for Christmas and it cost \$5.79. I think I have been good.

Your friend,  
Charlie Rueffer

Route 1, Box 89  
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Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a watch and a doll clothes bag. I am in the third

### 12 Rules On How to Raise Delinquents

The following "Twelve Rules for Raising Delinquent Children" were issued by the Houston, Texas, Police Department, and recently appeared in the Lions Magazine.

1. Begin with infancy to give the child everything he wants. In this way he will grow up to believe the world owes him a living.
2. When he picks up bad words, laugh at him. This will make him think he's cute. It will also encourage him to pick up "cuter" phrases that will

blow off the top of your head later.

3. Never give him any spiritual training. Wait until he is 21 and then let him decide for himself.
4. Avoid use of the word "wrong." It may develop a guilt complex. This will condition him to believe later, when he is arrested for stealing a car, that society is against him and he is being persecuted.
5. Pick up everything he leaves lying around — books, shoes and clothing. Do everything for him, so that he will become experienced in throwing all responsibility on others.
6. Let him read any printed matter he can get his hands on. Be sure the silverware and drinking glasses are carefully sterilized, but let your child's mind feast on garbage.
7. Quarrel frequently in the presence of your children. It will keep them from being too shocked when the home breaks up.
8. Give the child all the spending money he wants. Never let him earn his own.

Why should he have things as

tough as you had them?

9. Satisfy his every craving for food, drink and comfort. See that every sensual desire is gratified. Denial may lead to harmful frustration.
10. Take his part against neighbors, teachers and policemen. They are all prejudiced against your child.
11. When he gets into real trouble, apologize for yourself by saying, "I never could do anything with him."
12. Prepare for a lifetime of grief. You'll probably have it.

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### Traffic Death Figures Show Higher Trend

The Texas Highway Patrol said today the latest traffic death figures for the state confirm a trend toward a higher motorcade total for 1961 than 1960 when 2,254 fatalities were counted.

Capt. E. L. Posey, in command of Highway Patrol, Dist. 5-A, Lubbock area said, "It has become a certainty that the November toll of 1961 is higher than that of last year."

So it is of utmost importance that we further concentrate our efforts along the line of utilizing our Patrol strength as effectively as possible to "bring about the maximum voluntary compliance with the traffic law quickly."

"This is being done," he said, "by having arranged the working schedules as selectively as possible in terms of time, location, and violations." He added, "the Patrol Supervisors have been instructed to have men look for and detect these serious traffic law violations which are causative factors in fatal accidents, giving most attention to high speeds, driving under the influence of alcohol, and other hazardous violations."

"In addition," said Capt. Posey, "they have been instructed to utilize radar as much as possible, as well as road checks for Drivers License and hazardous violations in concentrated areas."

"While these measures are being done by the Highway Patrol," he said, "it follows that we must again call upon all motorists to join in this all-out drive for a safer December in 1961, by obeying the laws and rules of safety."

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### Man Fined \$100 And Costs After Two-Car Wreck

A 64-year-old Haskell man was hospitalized with bruises and a cut on his head as the result of a two-car collision here Sunday at 1:45 p. m., and driver of the second car involved was fined \$100 and costs and his driver's license suspended for six months.

Injured was Leonard Allen Singleton, retired farmer living on Rt. 3, Haskell, driver and occupant of a 1954 Plymouth sedan. Driver of the second car was Walter Roy Scheets, 20, of Haskell, whose 1955 Ford sedan hit the older man's car at the intersection of Avenue B and North First Street.

Scheets was charged with aggravated assault with a motor vehicle in a complaint signed by Highway Patrolman Tommy Wood, who investigated the accident.

Appearing before County Judge Jim Alvis Monday, Scheets entered a plea of guilty. In addition to suspension of driver's license and a fine of \$100, Scheets will also pay \$23.20 court costs.

### Schedule For Christmas Masses

Father James A. Meuree, pastor of the Catholic Churches in Jones and Haskell Counties, has announced the schedule for the Christmas Masses.

In Stamford, at St. Ann Church, the Christmas Midnight Mass will be at midnight on the night of December 24. On Christmas Day the Mass will be at 9:00 A. M.

At the St. Michael Church in Anson there will also be a Christmas Midnight Mass. On Christmas Day the Mass will be at 11:00 A. M.

In Haskell, Mass will be offered on Christmas Day at 11:00 A. M. It will be in the Catholic Center if the new St. George Church is not ready for occupancy.

The Hamlin Catholic Center will have their Christmas Day Mass at 9:00 A. M.

Anyone is cordially invited to attend any of the Christmas Masses if they desire.

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FOR SALE: 1958 Moline Cotton Stripper, in good condition. C. H. Cornett, Phone 8-6601. Knox City. 51p

FOR SALE: Nice fat turkeys, tons and hens for Christmas. Pete Perez, 5 miles west of Weinert. 51p

FOR SALE: Children's couches open up for toy box, several colors, see Beno Address, 905 N. 4th St., Haskell. 49-51p

FOR SALE: Horses, all sizes and ages, from \$100.00 to \$500.00. Delma Williams. 51-52p

**SHETLAND PONYS** for Christmas. Buy your child one now. I have all ages and sizes to select from. Would consider trading for cattle. See J. P. Perrin at 906 N. 10th or call 864-2913. 49-52p

FOR SALE: Good lot fed calves—ideal for Christmas locker. Will sell on foot or dressed, half or whole. A. J. Joeslet. Phone 486-2343. 50-51p

FOR SALE: 1958 model Cushman Eagle scooter in good condition. A. D. May, Rule, phone 2591. 49-51p

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WE BOTH lose if you don't check our prices on the following: Range and Breeder Cubes, Calf and Feed lot feeds, Hog Feeds and Supplements, Cottonseed Hull Pellets and Mixes, Bulk Custom Mixing on Hull Mixes. All feeds delivered to your barn or feeders, bulk or bagged, Pied Piper Mills, Hamlin, Texas, Phone SP 4-1684. 49tc

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## FOR RENT

FOR RENT: Two bedroom apartment. Ph. 864-2047. 49-50p

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## HOUSES FOR SALE

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A NEW HOME for you, no cash needed if you have a clear deed to your lot or acreage. See Wm. Cameron & Co., Munday, Texas. Ph. 5471 collect. 11tc

## WANTED

WANTED: Female shepherd or Collie dog. R. A. Bradley, Haskell, Texas. 50-51p

WANT TO BUY: Furniture and appliances or what have you. Buy or trade for most anything. Trade Center, Throckmorton Highway. Phone 864-3278. 38tc

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WANT A BARGAIN: Buy Carter's Rubber Cement in pint containers at The Haskell Free Press. 17tp

## NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES

**NOTICE:** For new or renewal of your daily newspaper and Haskell Free Press by mail, see W. J. Adams, Phone 864-2203. 45tc

## PETS

WANTED: Home for male puppies, have five, will be small short-haired dogs. Free to first come. Bob Stephenson Cotton Office. 50-51tc

## LOST AND FOUND

LOST: Thursday, Dec. 14, in Haskell, white gold wedding band, engraved design. Mrs. Jerry Walker, Route 1, Weinert. 50-51p

## FARM IMPLEMENTS

FOR SALE: Used cotton shed-ders. Reids Hardware, Munday, Texas. 48-51p

## NOTICE

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- PEACHES . . . . . 2 cans 49c**
- Dixie, White, 9 inch
- PLATES . . . . . 40 Count 39c**
- Schilling's Pure Ground
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- Kraft's Miracle Whip
- SALAD DRESSING . qt. 59c**

# POGUE'S

113 NORTH AVENUE E



### Funeral Service For J. B. Weaver Held in Rule

Funeral service for James Burdine Weaver, 73, resident of Haskell County for 60 years, was held at 2 p. m. Sunday in the Rule Church of Christ. Mr. Weaver died at 10 a. m.



By Frank C. Scott, M. D. Specialist on Diseases and Surgery of the Eye, Ear, Nose, Throat Fitting of Glasses Office Hours: 8 to 11 a. m.—1 to 4:30 p. m. Office: Scott's Clinic

Friday in the Haskell County Hospital after suffering a heart attack. Doyle Maynard, minister of the Rule Church of Christ, officiated for the service. Graveside rites in Rule Cemetery were conducted by Rule I.O.O.F. Lodge No. 379. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Pinkard Funeral Home of Rule. A retired farmer, Mr. Weaver was born Jan. 27, 1888. Survivors include his wife, of Rule; three sons, Dale of Arlington, Holland of Austin, and Billy of Olton; two stepsons, Kash Powers of Abilene and Kirby Harrow of Wellington, Kans.; one step-daughter, Novice Isbell of Bayard, N. M.; two brothers, Bradley Weaver of Corpus Christi and Edgar Weaver of Tucson, Ariz.; a sister, Mrs. Alice Rock of Brownfield; 14 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Classified Ads will buy, sell or trade for you.

**SPECIAL NOTICE** The American Legion, Rogers-Cox Post No. 221, of Haskell meets first and third Thursday nights. Members are urged to attend. **Veterans: Join Today!**

### MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM THE METHODIST HOME FOR CHILDREN



Children of the Methodist Home in Waco, Texas, sing hearty wishes of a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to their friends across the Southwest. The Methodist Home serves in providing a home-like atmosphere for children separated from their families by death, poverty and other misfortunes. Over 400 youngsters receive individual care in family sized groups at the Home which will soon celebrate its 72nd anniversary.

### Eleven Managers Named for Little League Teams

Eleven managers have been named for major and minor division teams in Haskell's Little League, President Dude Mercer announced this week. They will serve during the 1962 playing season which will open around May 1, 1962. The Little League expects to have 175 or more boys enrolled in its spring and summer program, Mercer said. Serving as team managers in the major division will be Volly Ivey, Bill Reeves, Buck Everett, Roy Wiseman and Wallace Stark. Team managers in the minor division will be Hess Hartfeld, Joe Buce, Allen A. Smith, J. B. Kuenstler, Virgil Cobb, Bobby Medford.

A Want Ad will carry your message into more than 2,000 homes each week.

### Political Announcements

The Free Press is authorized to make the following political announcements, subject to action of the Democratic primaries in 1962. All announcements are cash in advance, at the following rates: All county and district offices, \$30.00; all precinct offices, \$20.00.

- FOR COUNTY JUDGE:** Jas. C. (Jim) Alvis (Second Term)
- FOR COUNTY TREASURER:** Artie Bradley (Second Term)
- FOR DISTRICT CLERK:** Carrie McAnulty (Second Term)
- FOR COUNTY CLERK:** W. W. (Bill) Reeves
- FOR COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION:** Jessie Vick (Re-election)
- FOR COMMISSIONER PREC. NO. 2:** Speck Sorenson, Leon Newton (Re-election), Slover Bledsoe
- FOR COMMISSIONER PREC. 4:** F. C. (Francis) Blake (Re-election), Bob Melton, Ira Coleman
- FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE PREC. NO. 1:** Virgil A. Brown (First Elective Term)

### Special Election

**ADD POL. ANN.** The following announcements are subject to action of voters in the special run-off election in the 13th Congressional District. **FOR CONGRESSMAN, 13TH DISTRICT:** Judge Graham B. Purcell of Wichita Falls, Joe Bailey Metsner of Wichita Falls



### Best Wishes

The best part of Christmas, we believe, is the good wishes extended... and the good wishes received. And so, in all sincerity, we send to all our friends our best wishes for a cheerful Christmas and a joyous New Year.

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GENERAL TELEPHONE COMPANY OF THE SOUTHWEST

### Lions Club--

(Continued from Page 1) and friends of crippled children everywhere. During the other months, the camp is used as a training center for the adult blind. **Adkins Reports** Royce Adkins reported that work was progressing on the packing of Goodfellow baskets and deliveries to the less fortunate families would be made Friday, Dec. 22. Goodfellows have set up their "work shop" in the building next door to Fouts Dry Goods on the west side of the square, and Adkins stated that extra workers would be needed to finish packing and delivering the baskets.

No Meeting Dec. 26

Due to the Christmas holidays there will not be a meeting of Haskell Lions, Tuesday, Dec. 26.

At Tuesday's meeting Lions brought toys and cash donations for the Goodfellow project.

Guests noted at Tuesday's session were Rev. D. S. Moore, pastor of the Paint Creek Baptist Church, and Glenn Duff of Canada.

### Sanders Named Draft Registrar in Weinert Area

R. S. Sanders of Weinert has been appointed registrar for the Jones - Haskell - Shackelford county draft board in the Weinert area. Boys who reach the age of 18 can register in Weinert by calling on Mr. Sanders at the Post Office during regular business hours. A registrar was appointed in the area so that men will not have to travel to the draft board at Anson. Colonel Morris S. Schwartz of Austin, state director of the draft system, expressed public appreciation of the services of Mr. Sanders. "People of the Weinert area should appreciate the services he renders to them," Colonel Schwartz said, "as he is doing the work without pay as a public service to his country." All males are required to register under the draft law on their 18th birthday or within five days thereafter. Maximum penalties that can be applied for failure to register are \$10,000 fine, or five years in prison, or both.

Use and read the Want Ads.

### BOWLING RESULTS

Double Trouble League Table with columns for Team, W, L, and scores for various teams like M System, City Floral, Haskell Pharmacy, etc.

### Friendly City League

Table with columns for Team, W, L, and scores for teams like Gholson Grocery, Mobil Oil, Barfield-Turner, etc.

### Vote in Saturday's Election

Table showing voting results for various candidates: Hightower, Stewart, Purcell, Hornay, Metzner. Includes a 'Voting Box' section with counts for different precincts like Haskell, Rule, Rochester, etc.

### MERRY CHRISTMAS



... and may this Holiday Season bring each of you ... JOY, PEACE, LOVE and GOOD WILL!

Medford Buick - Pontiac Co. 260 North Avenue E Haskell, Texas

### November Bond Sales \$8,962 in Haskell County

Sales of U. S. Savings Bonds in Haskell County totalled \$8,962 for the month of November, which represents 102 per cent of the 1961 goal for the county, J. M. Crawford, County Savings Bonds Chairman, reported. Sales in Texas for the first eleven months of 1961 were \$144,386,615; sales of E and H Bonds in the month of November totalled \$11,963,137.

### APPRECIATION

We wish to thank all who remembered our son, Bobby, with flowers, cards, visits and most of all your prayers during his illness. Your continued prayers will also be appreciated. The Bobby Druesedow family. 50p

Advertisement for CULBERTH COL-TEX Service Station, featuring a large 'Greetings' graphic and contact information for Elton Culberth, Manager.

### Haskell County Cotton Farmers Favor Quotas

Haskell County cotton producers voted overwhelmingly last week favoring national cotton marketing quotas and price supports for the 1962 cotton crop. The vote was 483 for and only 19 against, the Haskell County ASC office reported. This reflects a slight increase in number of farmers voting, and in the majority favoring quotas as well. In Texas, cotton growers voted 31,771 for and 3,301 against quotas, a favorable vote of 90.6 per cent. Nationally, in all cotton growing states, the program drew well over the two-thirds vote needed for approval, the Agriculture Department reported. Its tabulation showed 258,116 growers of upland cotton voting to continue the program in 1962 and 8,482 opposed. The quotas have been in effect since 1954. This was a favorable vote of 96.9 per cent. It compares with a 96.8 per cent favorable vote last year.

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Commissioners Court of Haskell County will accept bids to sell the County a crawler-type loader meeting the following specifications: 1 new crawler type front end loader, 1 1/2 bucket capacity including bucket teeth, 100 horse power diesel engine, full power shift transmission, life time lubricated under carriage. Diesel Engine to have direct electric starter, and the weight to be not less than 24,800 lbs. As part payment County offers for trade in, 1 Model 933 Caterpillar Loader. The Court reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. The bids will be opened December 27, 1961, at 10 A. M. James C. Alvis, County Judge, 50-51c

Advertisement for Furck's Insurance REAL ESTATE, featuring a large graphic of a house and contact information.

### At The TEXAS THEATRE

Advertisement for THE WARRIOR EMPRESS movie, featuring a graphic of a woman and details about showtimes and pricing.

Vertical advertisement for 'Is It' and 'BEFORE YOU VITAMIN' products, including 'Revall' and 'PLEN'.



## Letters To Santa Claus

Haskell, Texas  
Dear Santa:  
Please bring my sister and I a bicycle, also a truck and an electric train. I am four years old and have tried to be a good boy. Would like to have some fruit and nuts. Love,  
Picky Andress.

Haskell, Texas  
Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a bicycle, doll and buggy, ring, also some fruit and nuts. I am in the First Grade. My teacher is Mrs. Newcomb. I have been a good girl. Love,  
Shellah Andress

Haskell, Texas  
206 S. Ave. G  
Dear Santa:  
We are four pretty good boys. We would like to have a gym set with a slide for all of us. Ronnie would like a toy shotgun and Casper the Ghost. Donnie wants a toy shotgun and a truck. Vonnie wants a toy shotgun and stuffed toy. Just bring our baby brother, Monnie, any little stuffed toy. Also bring us all some candy, fruit, and nuts. Love,  
Ronnie, Donnie, Vonnie and Monnie Hise

Dear Santa:  
This is a little girl from a big family. We got 3 years that we haven't received anything from you. I wonder what happens with Santa Claus? Or is it that you don't like us. We still love you. If you do bring us something this year, we don't want new toys. You could bring us old toys that are not too broken down. We would like some candy and some pecans. God bless you, my dear Santa Claus. Your friend,  
Janita Ozuna,  
Star Route 2

Dear Santa:  
I want a Thumbelina. That is all I want. Love,  
Tammy Cox,  
Rt. 3, Haskell



**FAMILIAR SCENE . . .** The little white church by the side of the road . . . it could be anywhere in America. And, come Christmas morning, boots will crunch through the snow as worshippers come from near and far. This scene is near Lake Mills, Wisconsin.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy 7 years old. Please bring me a train and a pair of roller skates, and a Bee-Bee gun.  
Tommy English,

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl 8 years old. My name is Nancy. For Christmas I would like a baby doll, a doll bed, a baby buggy, and a blue watch. I hope that is not too much.  
Elizabeth English,  
Rochester, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a tricycle, a walking doll or a kissing doll, and some candy wrapped in foil paper.  
Leila Ann Roberts,  
Rt. 1, Rochester

Dear Santa:  
I want a B-B gun and a bicycle. Don't forget my brother. He wants a steam shovel, a caterpillar, and a road grader.  
Your friends,  
Mike and Stevie McGuire

Munday, Texas  
Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl, 6 years old. I have been good. Please bring me a doll and a radio. Please be good to all the other little children.  
Love,  
Debbie Josselet

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a boy 6 years old. I am in the First Grade. For Christmas please bring me a fire rescue truck and a Civil War cavalry outfit. Thank you.  
Kippie Grand

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a boy 8 years old. I am in the Second Grade. For Christmas please bring me a Jazz Drummer Set, a dump truck and bulldozer with a trailer, too. Thank you.  
Mike Grand

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 7 years old. I would like you to bring me a Chatty Cathy and a watch. My little sister, two years old, wants a dollbed and a baby doll. And don't forget the other girls and boys. Love,  
Carol Sue and Judy Lehde

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl six years old. I have tried to be good this year. Would you please bring me a Chatty Cathy doll, a play pen, a Jack and Jill Radio, and a typewriter. Remember all the other little girls and boys. There will be a piece of fruit cake on the table for you. Love,  
Cathy Larned  
103 N. Ave. M

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like for you to bring me a Winchester rifle, some skates, some nuts, candy and fruits. Don't forget all the other little boys and girls. I have a new niece who lives at Weinert. Your friend,  
Eddie Stewart,  
Route 1

Munday, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I have tried to be a nice little boy. I have been sick, and want some toys which I can play with in my wheel chair. Please bring me a musket gun, a toy typewriter, some books and games. Please be nice to my big sister, Debbie, who is in the first grade.  
I love you,  
Kyle Josselet

Dear Santa Claus:  
I think I will be at my grandmother's in Haskell for Christmas. I would like to have a wood-burning set, dart set, electric baseball set, and a billiard.  
I am 8 years old and have not been very good, but will try to be better.  
Gary Miller,  
Lovington, N. M.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a boy 4 years old. For Christmas please bring me a farm set and a Junior GI gun set. Thank you.  
Cliff Grand

Dear Santa Claus:  
May I have a red ring? I want a blue gown and a blue house coat and some blue house shoes. And I want a watch, too. My last thing is a Freckles Doll.  
Lynda Kay Lane

### Professor Has Tree for Son in 1832

August Imgard of Wooster, Ohio was long credited with the honor of having set up the first Christmas tree in America, in 1847.  
However, there were earlier Christmas trees in this country, as recent research indicated. Charles Follen, Harvard's first German professor, had a tree for his son, Charles, as early as 1832.

Harriet Martineau, an English novelist, visited the Follen home in that year and later, in her book, "Retrospect of Western Travel," described how an evening was spent decorating the tree with gilded egg shells, waxed paper and gay paper bags filled with special treats.

### Insurance Agents Help Children At Christmas

Insurance agents of an Evanston, Illinois company have developed a tradition of sharing at Christmas time.  
Two years ago, they gave up their Christmas gifts from the company to establish a four-year scholarship with the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.  
In 1960 the scholarship was continued and in addition the agents extended their share of the Christmas spirit by "adopting" three needy children through Foster Parents Plan, Inc. Through FPP, the agents now provide monthly assistance to children in Italy, Hong Kong and France.

May a very merry Christmas season flourish at your home this year.

**HAPPY HOLIDAY TO ALL!**

**MODERN NEWS STAND**

**Merry CHRISTMAS**

Add to the good things of Christmas — our wishes for a joyous holiday!

**Corley's Feed and Tire Store**

TY-FIVE

*All ye faithful...*

the peace and happiness  
brought by the Star of  
Haskell remain with you  
throughout the Holiday Season.

**WOOTEN LUMBER COMPANY**

**OUR MANY FRIENDS . . .**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

We are glad of this opportunity each Christmas to be able to pause and greet our many loyal customers and friends — to thank you for your patronage throughout the year — and to extend our very best wishes for your happiness.

**From Wooten and Employees**

**Christmas**

**IS A FAMILY AFFAIR**

It is as it should be . . . many of us remember the happiest times in our lives . . . when our families came from far and wide to share this day of happiness . . . and so today, it is our hope that you find the wondrous spirit of Christmas in the heart of your family . . . to you and your loved ones . . . we wish a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!

**BRADBERRY'S**

### Aerosol 'Snows' Aid to Novel Decorations

For the party-minded, aerosol "snows" can be used in making novel table decorations from such simple materials as pine cones, boughs, and sprigs of holly. Colorful centerpieces for candlelight suppers can be made with a short length of birch log, drilled to hold red candles, and then sprayed with the snow.

With a little ingenuity and imagination, the homemaker can use the white and colored snows in "spray painting" simple Christmas designs on window panes or glass surfaces. Cut-out paper or cardboard masks can be made for each color area. For best results, the aerosol snow should be sprayed from a distance of about 24 inches—the greater distance, the fluffier the deposit of simulated snow.

### Plan Schedule To Be Sure of Happy Holiday

With "visions of dancing sugar-plums" it is almost impossible to keep children out of the kitchen during the holiday season—a time when the average homemaker is busiest of all. Amidst all the confusion, the family sometimes gets on an irregular eating and sleeping schedule, with the result that tempers get short and the family misses the full enjoyment of the season. A wisely planned schedule will prevent this unhappy set of circumstances.

Reserve a small space in one corner of the kitchen for the children. Let them entertain themselves with a small amount of dough and a rolling pin. Wait until the children have gone to bed to make cookies and candies.

Plan hearty evening meals—with enough left over for a tasty lunch the following day. Leftover roast is ideal for noon time sandwiches—served hot or cold. Prepared foods, that need only be heated and served, will cut down on preparation and clean-up time in the kitchen.

If cookies and sweets are made available to youngsters, offer them nutritious snacks as well. Alongside the cookie plate, place an assortment of small sandwiches, carrot sticks and fruit slices.

### Holiday Season Time for Ulcers

The holiday season is here and with it, toys, candy, fun and merriment for children. For adults it usually brings over indulgence in rich foods, shopping worries and—alas—bills. While the total effect for children is the happiness high-point of the year, for many adults the holiday season means tensions, gastric distress and debt.

It is not coincidental that the incidence of peptic ulcers takes a gradual upturn in October and remains higher than normal through the holiday season. There is little doubt in the minds of many medical investigators that the excesses of the winter holidays are contributing factors in the seasonal bumper crop of ulcers.

Many holiday ulcers could be controlled if the victim were to restrict his diet to bland, uninteresting foods—a task most difficult to achieve when the rest of the family is enjoying these huge and spicy holiday feasts. Another preventive measure would be a slow, relaxed pace—almost an impossibility when Christmas shopping must be done and bills must be paid. Instead, most ulcer patients will turn to medical help.

Consequently, doctors will be prescribing more drugs to cure and relieve ulcers in the next four months than at any other time of year. Some of the most useful new drugs in ulcer treatment are tranquilizers to calm people down, nerve-blocking agents which slow the secretion of acid in the stomach, and antacids, to neutralize or deactivate the acid.

Although Santa Claus may not be able to give you a happy, ulcer-free Christmas, it is now possible that your doctor can.

The Christmas Seal Sale campaign gives everyone an opportunity to support the program against TB by the purchase and use of Christmas Seals. Most of the money remains right here in Haskell County, with only a small percentage going for nationwide TB control and medical research.

World's smallest mammals belong to the shrew family. These mouse-like creatures live just below the ground's surface.

### Find True Meaning To Enjoy Happy Christmas

"I am come that you might have life and have it more abundantly."

In these words are the true meaning of Christmas. Jesus himself said it . . .

"For the Son of man is come to seek and save that which was lost."

The birth of the Infant Saviour is more than the birth of a child; it is the fulfillment of the promise of God.

The happiest Christmas of all will belong to those who reach out with their heart for the true spirit of Christmas.

Want Ads carry your sales message into more than 2,000 homes.

### Fire Can Spoil Happy Holiday

Bebbs Switch, Caribou and Billings can tell you that a happy Christmas is a safe Christmas.

Babbs Switch is a small Oklahoma community. Christmas Eve, 1924, about 150 men, women and children were gathered in the frame schoolhouse for the community's biggest-ever Christmas party. A series of incidents—a Christmas tree branch brushed against a candle, a kerosene lamp knocked off a table, and a stage curtain thrown on the flames—led to a fire which destroyed the school house, killing 36 persons and injuring 40.

In more recent years, church fires occurred in Billings, Montana and Caribou, Maine.

In Billings, an attendant lighting candles accidentally set fire to a large velvet curtain behind the altar. Fire spread to a combustible fibre-board ceiling.

In Caribou, Christmas trees placed around an altar in the auditorium of a church fed a blaze. They were ignited when a small girl knocked over a tree which fell on lighted candles nearby.


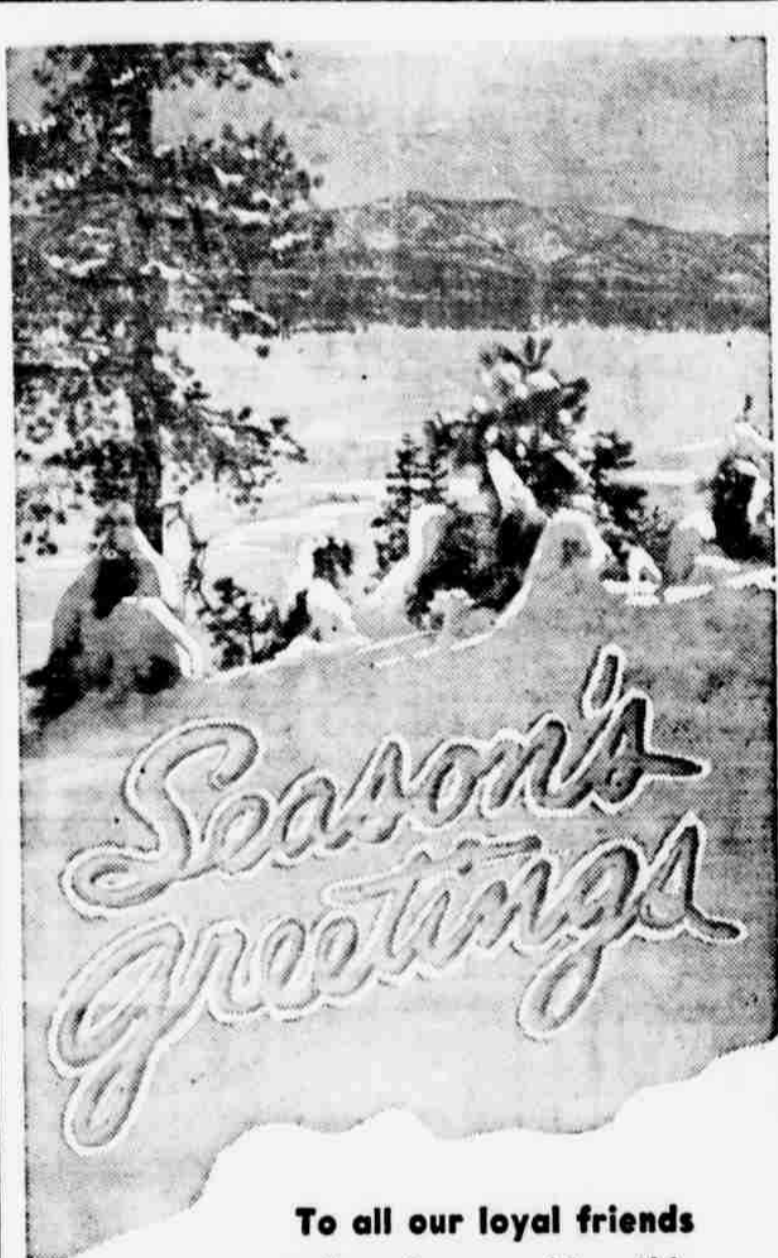
And in Missouri, Christmas trees placed along the altar rail fed a blaze of undetermined origin.

The largest ant colonies are estimated to number a million or so inhabitants. The whole population would weigh about as much as a man.

**TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY**

May true happiness be yours at Christmastime.

**Artie Bradley**  
County Treasurer

To all our loyal friends and customers. May this joyous season be filled with contentment and happiness.

**CARL J. ANDERSON**  
Construction Co.



*Yuletide Greetings*

Here's wishing to our many friends in an old-fashioned way . . . that the many blessings of Christmas time, linger long past Christmas day . . .

**SMITTY'S AUTO SUPPLY**

**Best Wishes**



No other words say it so well —  
**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

Courtney Hunt

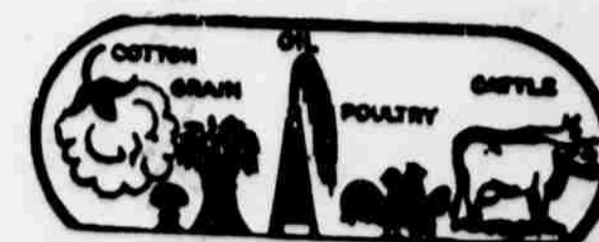


*to Our Many Friends and Customers*

With the passing of each year, it becomes more evident that the peace of Christmas is enjoyed only because there were those who made every sacrifice that we might enjoy Christmas to its fullest extent. As we extend our Season's Greeting we are mindful that without those sacrifices, we could not enjoy the blessings of peace.

If we strike a solemn note at this glad season of the year, it is only because we are remembering that there were those who gave their all to make it possible for Americans everywhere to observe and enjoy Christmas.

The peace of Christmas is sacred. May we never forget.



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ALL OUR FRIENDS CUSTOMERS



As another year rolls around express our thanks for your past year and wish you all... MERRY CHRISTMAS!

RD'S CLEANERS "Service That Satisfies" MYRON BIARD, Owner Avenue E Haskell, Texas



Christmas Blessings and Best Wishes"

YOU HAVE A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS SURROUNDED BY ALL DEAREST TO YOU. AND MAY THE SEASON BRING YOU SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS THAT MAKE FOR A RICH, MEANINGFUL LIFE.

AUTHORIZED DEALER WHITE Auto Store THE HOME OF GREATER VALUES Owned and Operated by: JOHN BAUM



SANTA'S FRIENDS Santa's putting on (or putting out) the dog in this picture. Santa visited a Seattle, Wash. dog pound and posed for the shot, as part of a campaign to interest people in taking a dog home as a Christmas present. Pups, anyone?

Once Each Year Mankind Recalls Bethlehem

In these modern times, man looks often toward the heavens, searching for the latest satellite. Centuries ago, lonely shepherds looked upward, but their eyes beheld a different light, a holy light, and with this light a message, a given sign that a wondrous event had taken place in the city of Bethlehem. Once, but once a year, man's thoughts turn elsewhere as he raises his eyes to the sky. He thinks not of space ships and satellites, nor of platforms in the sky. Once a year, man comes again to realize that there is a greater reward than life on earth and a higher purpose than reaching the moon. Once a year, man remembers that Christ was born so all mankind might attain eternal salvation.

A Soviet research ship has reported the discovery of a submerged volcano island in the South Pacific.

Zesty News Bits Provide Novel Christmas Letter

Some folks pick up a box of Christmas cards and mail them out. Others snap a picture of the children under the tree to illustrate their Yuletide greetings. But for 25 years, a State College, Pa., couple have been doing it differently, and their friends won't let them stop now. They are David and Madeline Campbell who for the past quarter century have collected zesty little bits of news from mutual friends — who broke their legs, were married, or had some other dramatic adventure — then boiled the information down and flavored it with Campbell poetry for an annual Christmas letter.

How did the Christmas letter get started? "Who knows? how it got started?" says Madeline. "How do you quit? Our friends won't let us quit." Campbell is a retired Pennsylvania State University professor who for nearly 30 years taught engineering drawing. Now, he is a once-a-year author and some 500 friends of Dave and Madeline Campbell — in a half dozen foreign countries and most of the United States — refuse to let the dynamic Campbell Christmas letter give way to a conventional card.

Be Sure That Toys You Give Are Safe

The anticipation of a visit from Santa Claus makes Christmas an exciting time for youngsters. The wide variety of toys on the market today makes the adult job of shopping for the kids likewise an adventure. But a word of caution is as timely as the season. Some of the toys on the market today — such as miniature rockets, airplanes and automobiles — use kerosene, gasoline, or carbide for fuels. Parents, uncles and aunts should be certain that the toys they buy for children are safe. Electrical toys, or those using fuels and chemicals, are wonderful gifts, but parents or adults should supervise their use.

A Free Press Want Ad will work for you for as low as 50-cents a week.

Australia's aborigines, the Arunta tribesmen, sleep naked in freezing weather.



IT'S LIKE THIS... Old Kris Kringle makes a point, with extended finger, and young ears and eyes are keyed to every word. You can bet, after hearing Santa's words, these youngsters will be on good behavior from now on—at least until Christmas.

Christmas, 1776, Was Fateful Day For Republic

Christmas is always the most important day of the year and one particular Christmas day, in the year 1776, greatly affected the course of American history. On Christmas day of 1776, the struggle of the new American republic for independence seemed almost hopeless. Tattered, hungry, riddled with dysentery, the American Army was barely hanging on, with little left but hope. Along the banks of the Delaware River, some 2400 men huddled, many shoeless, this bleak Christmas night. In this setting, Gen. George Washington said to his command: "This is it, gentlemen — victory or death. That is our only watchword. Notwithstanding the discouraging accounts, I am determined to cross the river and make the attack on Trenton in the morning. The rest is history. Washington and his rugged army ignored the snow, ice and sleet to make a dangerous river crossing and an agonizing march to Trenton. Under Washington's inspired leadership, the Americans humbled the vaunted Hessian mercenaries and wrote one of the most glorious pages in the American history book.

Ohio ranks fifth in turkey production, seventh in egg production and tenth in chicken production among states of the Union.

Personalize Your Gifts for Touch Of Distinction

A little bit of time and a small amount of paint are all you need to add a distinctive personal touch to gifts for some of the "special" individuals on your Christmas list. By adding a few decorative designs with paint you can transform a simple item into a treasured present. Little designs, first names, initials that you can do so easily yourself are extra-cost items if you purchase them as ready-made presents.

Gift shops, novelty and notion counters are brimming with possibilities for making attractive presents. Small apothecary jars enamelled in gay colors make ideal spice sets. When the enamel is dry, label each jar in large, easy-to-read contrasting letters. A just-right gift for the culinary expert on your list. The same assortment of jars labelled for nails, bolts, screws and the like will make a fine present for a do-it-yourself enthusiast.

To please a garden enthusiast, pick up a few gardening tools at the hardware store. Coat the handles in a bright-colored enamel, and later add a few decorative designs. You will actually be doing the receiver a double service, for the colorful handles will make the tools easier to spot in the grass and serve as identification for borrowing neighbors.

Paints which come in handy aerosol spray cans are ideal for painting small items, are as simple to use as shaving cream or hair spray.



COOK BARBER SHOP Roy Cook — Leslie Jones — David Josselet



Christmas In the spirit of Christmas, we hope that you may always enjoy the peace, happiness and good cheer that we wish you this Yuletide Season. FRANCIS BLAKE

MERRY CHRISTMAS

ORBITING IN WITH Holiday Greetings



Good Luck, Good Cheer, and to all A Merry Christmas!

When Santa comes at Christmastime with great good gifts for you, may his sack be overflowing and last the whole year through! Good cheer, good health and good fortune to all of you from all of us!

Most of all at the Christmastime we want to express our sincere appreciation for the fine reception we have received during the past year.

THE SMART LAUNDRY —DAVID C. AND MARIE SMART—

★ May this Holiday Season be the Nicest You've Ever Had! T. J. Arbuckle City Secretary

**CANDLE CARE**  
Candles are popular at Christmas, but they can be dangerous. If a candle is too large for the opening in the candlestick, dip the base of the candle in very hot water and

you can then press it gently into the holder. Coat all but the wick of your candle with soap suds and allow to dry before lighting. The candle so treated will neither smoke nor drip.



Here's Santa with a package of good wishes for your joyous Holiday Season!

**BRAZELTON LUMBER CO.**

Desmond Dulaney, Manager  
Gaston Tidrow Bobby Medford



**SNOW LAND . . .** Like an imitation fairy-land is this mountain scene, but it's for real. It shows the ski house, sanctuary for snow lovers at Badger Pass, Yosemite National Park in California. The snow here reaches great depths but winter sports lovers are undaunted and log fires in the ski house are warm.

**Helpful Tips On Outdoor Lighting**

If you are planning an outdoor lighting display for the first time this year, here are some suggestions which should be helpful:  
Don't use old lighting sets unless necessary. If you do, check carefully for loose connections and defective bulbs.  
If you must use a combination of old and new light strings use the new strings, with new bulbs, in decorating the high or hard-to-reach places—such as the top of the tree or on the roof. New strings and new bulbs are less likely to burn out.

Don't use the small, series-wired bulbs, for outdoor lighting display. Hunting for defective bulbs on the indoor tree is bad enough; you certainly won't like to take on this task outdoors. Use the larger bulbs which burn out individually and replacing the bad ones will take less than a minute.

Don't overload your extension cord. Your house circuit is no doubt equipped to carry an extra load. A single extension cord, however, has a low capacity, so use more than one extension cord if you use a number of strings.

**CANDLE LEGEND**

The first use of Christmas candles is not recorded in the annals of any nation, but, according to an old legend, the "Christ Child Candle" is burned in the window on Christmas Eve to light His way if He makes an early visitation and in atonement for the night of His birth when there was no room for Him.

**Decorations Once Used as Welcome Of Sun's Return**

Many believe that the Christmas tree custom may be traced to pagan celebrations of the winter solstice—the time when the sun ceases its seeming drift southward and begins moving back north. The ancients knew great fear when the sun steadily moved away from them. They did not like the cold winds from the north, the shorter days, the disappearance of wildlife and the bare, shriveled appearance of trees and plants.

Accordingly, they designed ceremonies to lure the sun back. When the sun responded in the natural course of time they joyfully decorated their homes with evergreens, mistletoe, holly and ivy in celebration of the fact that warm weather would soon return.

**Reunion, Feasting Traditional at Christmastime**

Through the ages, Christmas has always been a time of reunion and feasting.

In this country, Christmas is not considered complete unless the entire family gathers a "Mom's" or "Grannie's". Turkey on the table is a tradition and, in some sections, ham is considered a menu necessity.

In the time of the Saxons the festive board was spread with a "bord-cloth" and the guests waited impatiently for the two specialties that marked Christmas, the peacock and the boar's head.

**Miracle Plays Are Part of Brazil's Holiday**

The Christmas season in Brazil begins on Christmas Eve and ends with Epiphany on January 6. And because it is really summertime (south of the equator) festivities and entertainment appropriate to the summertime hold sway during the season.

Miracle plays are performed in adoration of the Holy Child. Many take the form of elaborate dances meticulously performed and accompanied by music or an orchestra. The Dance of the Four Parts of the World is a typical example.

The roles are enacted by girls dressed for the part and in succession, Europe, Asia, Africa and America declaim. The discussion finally involves their respective rights to make obligation to the Christ Child. Eventually, Father Time appears and settles the dispute to the satisfaction of all concerned.

**REALLY A BLOOM**

What most of us call the "blossom" of the poinsettia plant isn't a bloom at all, but a modified leaf. Blossoms are the little things in the center of the plant. What we see as red petals are simply modified leaves. Why the top leaves turn velvety red and the others remain green is a mystery.

Want Ads will help you buy as well as sell. A "want to buy" ad will locate the items you are looking for.

**Columbus and Crew Celebrated Christmas**

The first Christmas observance in our part of the world was held shortly after Columbus discovered America. The Santa Maria beached on Christmas Eve and all Christmas day Columbus and his men worked to free her. When it appeared hopeless, she was stripped and as much gear as possible taken aboard the Nina.

However, the Nina was unable to carry all of the men, and some were left behind in a fort, that in honor of the season, was called La Navidad, the Nativity.

**Children Can Make Stained Glass Window**

With mother's help, children can make a pretty stained-glass window for holiday display.

Lay a newspaper on an ironing board and place on the paper a piece of waxed paper, which has been trimmed to fit the window.

Peel crayon stubs in different colors on the wax paper. Place another sheet of waxed paper and another sheet of newspaper over this and iron quickly with a warm iron.

As the crayon melts, a lovely stained-glass effect will be created on the waxed paper, which can be framed in black construction paper and placed in the window.

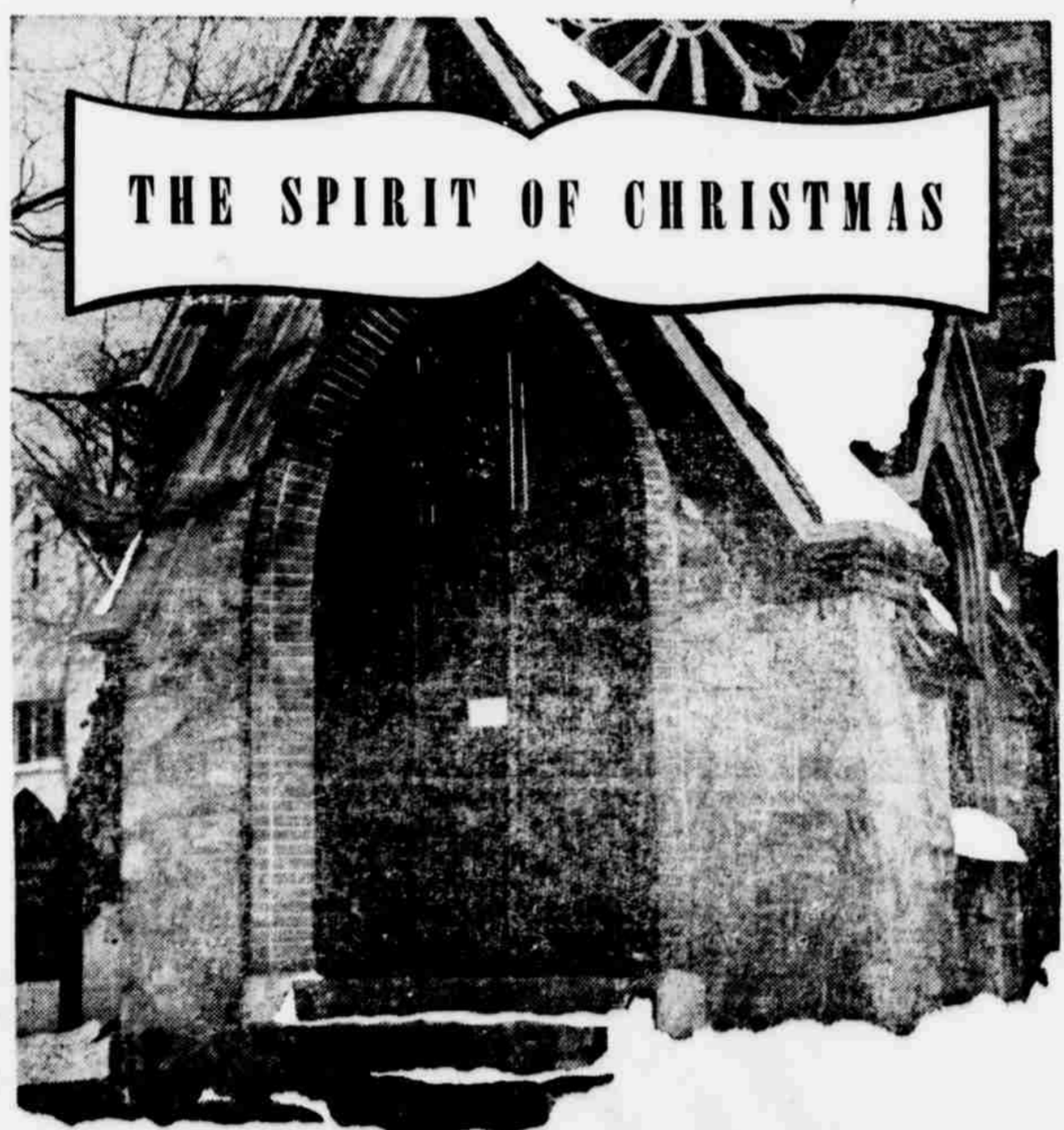
**Christmas Tree Slow to Gain Popularity**

Undoubtedly, the Christmas tree, widely popular in Germany, was brought to this country by Hessian soldiers in the American Revolution. They decorated their Trenton, N. J. winter quarters with Christmas trees but the custom was slow in taking hold in this country. August Imgard of Wooster, Ohio, trimmed for his niece in 1847. Friends for next year, but for many years "pagan." As in Cleveland, Ohio, lost his pulpit up a tree in his

A weather condition, bolted to been in year-rop atop Mount Washington 1932.



Our sincerest good you may enjoy a Men and all the good for your New Year a H  
**Nell's Alteration and Gift**  
102 S. Ave. E — Haskell, T  
Phone 864-2894 Mrs. Troy As



With reverent hearts we pay tribute to Him on this Christmas and hope that His teachings of Peace on Earth and Good Will to Men will find expression throughout the world. May your family enjoy the many rich blessings of Christmas!

**HASKELL WAREHOUSE COMPANY**  
HASKELL - RULE - ROCHESTER - O'BRIEN  
A. T. BALLARD, Manager—



May this holy season bring an abundance of happiness and the answer to all your prayers, and it is our wish that the spirit of Christmas shine brightly in your heart.

**HOLDEN'S FUNERAL HOME**  
And  
**HOLDEN BENEFIT ASS'N.**  
INSURANCE

Home With...  
The conventional...  
the outside of the...  
string some bells...  
on narrow...  
and hang from a...  
and windows...  
by framing...  
and sprigs of...  
hang the ribbon...  
the curtains...  
sides in wide...  
colorful effect.

### Plum Pudding Is Christmas Feast Delicacy

Plum pudding evolved from an early English dish known as "frumenty."  
Traditional at the English Christmas feast, "frumenty" consisted of wheat boiled until the grains burst out, after straining, reboiled with broth or milk and yolks of eggs. Somewhere along the line an imaginative cook added raisins, another prunes, some mace, chopped suet, etc., and eventually the plum pudding came into being.

Careless smoking and careless use of matches cause most of the fires in the United States.



CHRISTMAS LIGHTS . . . Madrid, New Mexico brightens the night with its Christmas festival. This scene is repeated many times over in communities across the nation as the holiday season approaches.

### Thousands Visit Mount of The Beatitudes

Thousands of visitors to Israel each year visit the chapel on the Mount of the Beatitudes in Lower Galilee.  
This Holy Land monument is built on the site where Jesus pronounced the Sermon on the Mount: "Blessed are the poor, blessed are the meek, blessed are the merciful."  
From the chapel, the visitor can retrace the footsteps of Jesus, downward from the Mount of Beatitudes to the Sea of Galilee, where He performed the miracle of the loaves and fishes, and where He preached on the "Bread of Life."  
Nazareth and Cana are but a short distance away.

#### THE APPLE TREE

According to an early legend the first Christmas tree was really an apple tree. And, although the fir tree has long since supplanted its predecessor for Christmas use, the popular tinsel baubles which bedeck modern Christmas trees represent the fruit which for early Christians symbolized the fall of man in the Garden of Eden and his reclamation by the birth of the Saviour.

The Yukon Territory of Canada has more than 20 mountains topping 10,000 feet in height.

### Many Town Names In USA Reflect Christmas

Many towns and cities in the United States have names which reflect Christmas in one way or another.  
Santa Claus, Indiana, Bethlehem, Conn., and Christmas, Florida, are the best known. Santa Claus and Christmas have sole claim to unusual postmarks, but Bethlehem, Conn., shares "Bethlehem" with six other states.  
Virginia and Missouri each boast a Noel; there is an Advent, W. Va., Kentucky has a Mary, and Oregon and Utah each have a Joseph.  
At least one Wiseman is found in Alaska, another in Arkansas and, perhaps, a third in Wisemantown, Ky. West Virginia boasts of Goodwill and there is Joy in Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri and Texas—as there must also be in Peace Valley, Missouri.  
Kentucky, which has its share of Christmas names, also has a Mistletoe. Louisiana has Trees and you can find an Evergreen in six states.

### Twelfth Night Observance Is Revived

In 1937, a Waukegan, Ill., minister and the residents of one city block decided to do something about the disposal of the family Christmas tree.  
Nothing is more useless than a discarded Christmas tree; they're dumped in alleys and on vacant lots; and they constitute fire hazards on back porches and in basement corners.

So, Waukegan held its first annual twelfth night observance, committing the trees to a community bonfire amid the chrousing of carols.  
The custom has spread. Today many communities dispatch discarded Christmas trees to some Valhalla with appropriate dignity and song.

### Swedish Holiday Season Features 'Lucia Day'

A Swedish custom of long-standing is the observance of Lucia Day on December 13. The celebration takes its name from St. Lucia, or Lucy, martyred for her faith and virginity in Syracuse in 304 A. D.

Pretty blonde girls compete for the honor of being elected a "Lucia"—with fair hair, good disposition and high character being outstanding recommendations.

Wearing a traditional costume (long white robes and crowns of lighted candles) the "Lucia" visits the sick, leads carnivals, and attends banquets and balls accompanied by her "handmaidens."

The ancient custom coincides with the winter solstice, when the sun swings toward the earth once more and the days begin to lengthen.



### Season's Greetings

To all our friends for a happy holiday season.

BASSING JEWELRY

### Make Certain You Display a Safe Tree

What kind of a tree is best for you this Christmas?  
A SAFE tree, of course.  
Whatever variety of tree you choose this year, be sure that it is freshly-cut, with firmly attached needles. When you select the tree, strike the ground with the thick end. If a shower of needles fall, the tree has been cut too long and will not last for long.

#### Keep It Fresh

Do not buy your tree until you are ready to decorate it; if you do buy it early, keep it outside. It will stay fresher and will remain green longer after you have put it up. Keep it standing in water at all times.

Select the setting for your tree with safety in mind. Locate it in the coolest part of the room, well away from radiators, heaters, and the fireplace. This not only reduces the chances of fire, but as well assures longer life for the tree, as heat dries the tree quickly.

#### Use Tree Holder

A tree holder is a good investment if it has a bucket of water in which the trunk can rest. The ability of the tree to absorb water will surprise you, so be sure to check contents of the bucket often.

Do not use any kind of paper decorations on your tree. Use decorations made of glass, metal, or fire-resistant materials.

Use only electric lights on the tree—and check them thoroughly, particularly if they have been stored since last Christmas. Sets with frayed wiring invite disaster.

#### Provide Switch

Provide a switch some distance from the tree for turning the tree lights on or off. If connection is located behind the tree, you may not be able to reach it in an emergency.

Inspect the tree frequently. If needles near lights start to turn brown, change position of the lights. When needles begin to fall freely, discard the tree.

#### SANTA CLAUS

The modern conception of Santa Claus is 99 per cent fictional and strictly American. But the spirit of generosity and thoughtfulness as typified by Santa Claus is very real, and it belongs to everyone.

### Forester Helped Teddy's Boys Have Holiday Tree

Franklin Pierce and Benjamin Harrison were among the Presidents known to have Yule trees in the White House. Theodore Roosevelt, a dedicated conservationist, banned the use of trees, for fear indiscriminate cutting would destroy the nation's forests.

His sons, Archie and Quentin, smuggled a tree into the White House and were saved from stern parental disciplining only when forester Gifford Pinchot convinced the President that selective cutting of young trees helps rather than harms the forests.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
May happiness ring in your holidays and accompany you through this glad season!  
**RAYMOND WHEELER**  
MOBIL STATION

**Best CHRISTMAS Wishes**

Oneal Carolyn Reynolds  
Clerk Deputy  
Gibbs Mrs. Arlo Ivey  
Deputy

**Season's Greetings**

And The Best of Good Wishes

As Christmas is here we bring you a wish for every joy and gladness and a thank you for everything.

**HASKELL COOPERATIVE GIN COMPANY**

"A Good Gin Owned by Good People"

R. W. TURNBOW, Manager

**Merry Christmas**

May this Holy Season bring with it many rich blessings for you and your loved ones. May it bring you health, prosperity, peace — and the very merriest Christmas Day!

**CAMPBELL SERVICE STATION**

**TO OUR FRIENDS Greetings**

It adds much to the enjoyment of the season to extend to our friends and customers our best wishes for a MERRY CHRISTMAS...

**"M" SYSTEM SUPER MARKETS**  
—Your Friendly Food Store—



Just a friendly wish that under the glittering ornaments on your Christmas tree you may find a double measure of happiness.

To you and your loved ones —

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!

**FOUTS DRY GOODS**

### Children Give Town Its Name Of Santa Claus

Santa Claus is the special friend of the young, and it makes it only fitting that the town of Santa Claus, Indiana was named by children.

Today, thousands of children, from all parts of the world, write to Santa Claus, of Santa Claus, Indiana, and each of them receives a return letter from Santa Claus himself.

The stage was set for this happy situation more than one hundred years ago. The citizens of this small Indiana town were gathered to select a new name for their community. Originally, it was called Santa Fe, but postal authorities suggested selection of another name since there already was a Santa Fe in New Mexico.

Community leaders were considering a number of names for the town when someone dressed as Santa Claus came in. Immediately the children in the audience shouted "Santa Claus!" "Santa Claus!" The adults thought the name sounded fine, so the town of Santa Claus was born.

Business booms in Santa Claus post office each year as Christmas approaches. Last year the post office handled well over 10,000 letters addressed to the old gentleman with the red suit and white whiskers—and each child who enclosed a return address received a personal reply from Santa Claus himself.

Many of the letters received are in foreign languages, but Postmaster Elbert E. Reinke enlists the aid of monks at nearby St. Meinrad Monastery and they translate. Answers to foreign letters, the postmaster explains, are adapted to the different customs and ideas that children of other lands may have about the holiday season.

The American Legion at Santa Claus handles the letter writing operation each Christmas, sending a personal reply to each child who has included a return address.

Adults don't write to Santa Claus, but many of them do have their Christmas cards mailed from Santa Claus, Ind., so they will bear the unusual postmark. In all, the busy Santa Claus post office handles well over 3,000,000 pieces of mail during the holiday season.

The first successful sugar beet refining plant in the United States opened in California in 1879.



**MIXED REACTIONS . . .** The young lady seems pleased but the reaction of her young gentleman friend is a bit different. He isn't quite sure of his opinion regarding the new boy dolls on the holiday market this year as companion to more familiar girl-type dolls. "Well-I . . . if you like dolls. . ."

### Check Potential Hazards With Baby Sitter

Christmas is a busy time for parents—and a busy time for baby sitters, since parents are constantly on the go as the holiday approaches. Thus, a word to parents:

Know your sitter personally, or be certain of her recommendations.

Be sure that she is old enough to know what to do in case of an emergency; and young enough to be able to do it.

Leave memo beside the telephone, telling her exactly where you are going and how you may be reached if needed.

Leave telephone number of fire department and police in conspicuous place.

Instruct sitter to keep children out of kitchen, if possible, and be sure she realizes that matches, electric cords and appliances are not playthings.

Turn off Christmas tree lights when you leave, or instruct sitter to be certain that children stay away from the tree.

Be sure that sitter knows what to do in case of fire; get children out of house; notify fire department; notify parents, in that order.

Come home at the hour agreed upon, or telephone sitter if unavoidably delayed.

Have a safe, happy holiday.

Calypso contains both African rhythms and the lilting melodies of Spain.

Netherlands New Guinea is about the size of California. Its population is estimated at about 700,000.

### Keep Plenty of Ash Trays Handy In the Home

Don't let YOUR happy holiday go up in smoke this year. Every fourth fire is caused by matches and smoking, so do not let carelessness spoil your holiday.

Keep plenty of ash trays about your house during the Yule season. Empty ash trays frequently—after making sure that no burning cigarettes are left in the trays.

### Trains and Trees Can Sometimes Be Dangerous

Most dads can't resist setting up Junior's train on Christmas Eve. It's fun—but it can be dangerous unless Pop is careful.

If an electric train is to be displayed, it should be put in operation some distance from the Christmas tree. Sparks from an electric train could cause a fire if they come in contact with dry Christmas tree branches.

### Careful Wrapping Adds Distinction To Gifts

Everybody gets and gives neckties at Christmas, so why not make your gift distinctive by using a necktie bow in decorating the box?

Fasten the ends of the ribbon under the lid about one-fourth way down, bring to center, tie the knot and shape the ends tie fashion.

Use dark blue, wine or green ribbon about one and one-half inches wide. These are attractive used on a striped or plaid paper.

### Rose is Basis Of Beautiful Legend

One of the most beautiful of the legends associated with Christmas is that of the Christmas rose.

According to the story, Madelon, the child of a shepherd, saw the Wise Men pass toward Bethlehem, laden with gifts for the Christ Child, and she wept because she had no gifts to offer.

An angel appeared before her and asked, "Why do you weep?"

"Because," Madelon replied, as she brushed away her tears, "I have no gift for the Christ Child."

"A gift of the heart is best of all, but I will give you something to carry to the manger," and with this the angel disappeared and in the same spot there appeared a beautiful vase filled with white blooms. Madelon gathered the blossoms and joyfully went to Bethlehem. At the manger, she placed in the background as the Wise Men offered their gold, frankincense and myrrh. She hesitated, doubting that her small gift would be acknowledged or appreciated.

Mustering her courage, she stepped forth and lay the roses before the Christ Child. Immediately the flowers turned from white to a most beautiful pink, the first Christmas rose.

### Gifts You Make Yourself Most Appreciated

It is right that the spirit of giving should be so much a part of the Christmas observance, but giving should be within the means to give, as it is the gift itself and the thought behind it, and not the cost or value, that is important.

Gifts that you make yourself, in kitchen or workshop, are always greatly appreciated, for they are a gift of time and effort—two of your most valuable possessions.

### Evergreen Wreath Easily Made From Wire Hanger

A wire coat hanger, a few sprigs of evergreen and a few minutes of your time—that's all you need to fashion a decorative evergreen wreath.

Leaving the hook at the top, simply fashion the hanger into a round ring. Fasten the evergreens to the ring with heavy thread and a large needle.

Sprinkle the evergreens with aerosol snow before hanging the wreath.



We want you to know we value your patronage and wish you all the good things the Christmas Season offers.

**Sherman's Floors & Interiors**  
Haskell, Texas Dial 8



To all your Christmas wishes, please add this one from us: "We hope the Season's Gladness will make you merry-plus! Happy Holidays!"



## SEASON'S GREETINGS

To our many friends: we wish you the Happiest Holiday & the Merriest Christmas, ever—thanks for your patronage!

**SERVICE CLEANERS & LAUNDRY**  
Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Hattox



## Christmas Joy to You

The truest joy of Christmas is not found in receiving, but in giving. So this greeting is sent with a hope that God's promise of Joy and Love, of Peace and Will -- will be yours this Holiday Season.

**KIMBELL MILL & ELEVATOR**  
W. L. FORE, Manager

**Haskell IMPLEMENT CO.**  
Sales & Service  
Authorized MASSEY-FERGUSON Dealer  
THROCKMORTON HIGHWAY - HASKELL, TEXAS  
Phone UN 4-2315

**Check on Christmas Gifts**

Buying appliances as gifts should double the "guarantee" which accompanies them. The Federal Trade Commission requests that advertising mention the word "guarantee" clearly state exactly what the guarantee includes. Industry also works for honest advertising, yet misleading or incomplete statements creep into claims—to the extent that what appears a "bargain" may not really be one when all the facts are known.



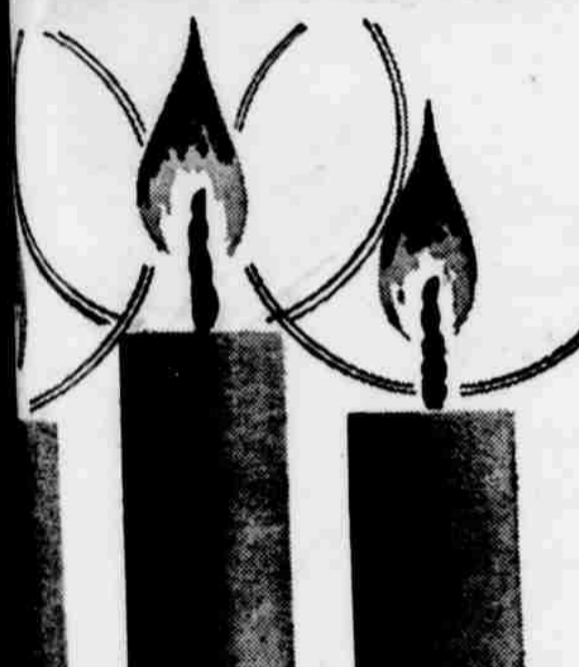
Bright wishes for the very best Christmas you've ever yet enjoyed!

**STENE'S BEAUTY SALON**  
864-2894 102 South Ave. E

HERE'S WISHING YE A VERY... **MERRY CHRISTMAS**



**HASKELL PHARMACY**  
Carrie, Carolyn and Jack



**son's Greetings**

all of us here to all of you — we warm and friendly wishes that this Christmas Season may set the for many happy days to come!

**MMER LAUNDRY**  
and Mrs. Otis Elmore,  
W. O. and Lillian



**TWINS AND TRAINS . . .** Two sets of twin boys peek over table edge at train display in Topka department store, presenting a scene that is repeated thousands of times over from one end of the country to the other. Youngsters find Christmas shopping an exciting adventure.

**Dickens Thought "Chimes" His Best Work**

Historians often credit Chas. Dickens' immortal "Christmas Carol" as being perhaps the most effective single force behind England's return to the observance of Christmas. Yet, Dickens did not consider it his greatest work, nor was it the best seller during his lifetime. The most popular of Dickens' stories in his day was "The Cricket on the Hearth," the story of a father who tries to shield his blind daughter from the realities of life. "The Cricket" made its immediate success. It sold twice as fast as the now familiar story of Scrooge and Tiny Tim. Less than a month after "The Cricket" reached the bookstands, dramatic versions of it were playing in 12 prominent London theatres. Despite the immediate success of "The Cricket" and the relative popularity of "Christmas Carol," Dickens did not believe either to be his greatest work. His personal favorite was "The Chimes," which, he told friends, "would knock 'the Carol' out of the field."

Dickens, of course, was wrong. "The Chimes" and "The Cricket" have each taken a back seat to "The Christmas Carol," the cheerful story of

**Great Story Was Hidden for Many Centuries**

Through his unforgettable Christmas stories, Charles Dickens brought the spirit of Christmas to millions, and achieved much fame during his lifetime. One of his most moving narratives, however, remained hidden from the world for years, at his own request. Some 100 years after it was written exclusively for the enjoyment of his children, Dickens' "The Life of Our Lord" was first presented to the world. The author's deep veneration for the life and lessons of Jesus Christ are found in these words: "Everybody ought to know about Him. No one ever lived who was so good, so kind, so gentle, and so sorry for people who did wrong or were in any way ill and miserable, as He was. And as He is now in Heaven, where we all hope to go, and all meet each other after we are dead, and there be happy always together, you can never think what a good place heaven is, without knowing who He was and what He did."

Dickens left instructions that "The Life of Our Lord," not be commercialized and it was never made public until the year 1933, after death of Sir Henry Fielding Dickens, the author's youngest child. The literary prize was then purchased by the London Daily Mail for the price of \$210,000—or \$15 per word.

**Exact Route to Bethlehem Not Definitely Known**

The exact route that Mary and Joseph followed in traveling from Nazareth to Bethlehem is not known. One route led along the seacoast and through the plain of Sharon, but it was shunned by pious travelers as much as possible because of heathen cities and rowdy travelers. A second route, the shortest, was via the fruitful plains of Esdraelon into the mountains of Samaria and through Sechem and Bethel. Although steep, the road was not too bad. But Jews had little use for Samaritans, and vice versa, so this route most likely was not chosen by Mary and Joseph. The Jordan route, which descended into the Jordan valley and followed the river around Jericho, was favored by the majority of Galilean travelers. This route, fairly level, was even then steeped in Jewish history. Whichever the route, Mary and Joseph traveled nearly 100 miles to seek shelter in the lonely stable where the Child Jesus was born.

**Child's Accident Prompted First Tree Lights**

Christmas tree lights were "born" according to some reports, after a little boy crawled under his Christmas tree and upset a candle. Luckily, only the lad's hair was singed. The child's father, a telephone man, decided that the candles would have to go. In their place, he soldered several dozen switchboard lamps to wires and covered them with brightly colored paper. Thus, safer, brighter lights replaced candles on Christmas trees.

**The First Card**  
The first American Christmas card is believed to have been used by Peas's Great Variety Store, Louis Prang, who issued the first line of Christmas Cards in the United States in 1857. It is said to be the "Father of the American Christmas Card."



**LYTLE'S SERVICE STATION**  
200 South Ave. E Haskell, Texas

**Cranberries Are Traditional At Christmas**

Cranberries, so much a part of our holiday dining tradition, was i-bim!, or "bitter berry" to the Indians, who pounded the fruit with meat into a paste called pemmican; used cranberry poultices on wounds and used the juice as a red dye. The Pilgrims, noting the berries were a favorite food of the Indians, called them cranberries, and this eventually changed to cranberries. Cranberries were harvested from wild vines until 1816, when Henry Hall, a veteran of the Revolution, transplanted wild vines to a swampy site near Dennis, Mass. Hall had observed that the choicest wild berries were usually found in sandy areas, so he spread sand over his fields and produced an excellent crop. Many other early plantings failed, in Massachusetts and New Jersey, before growers learned that the cranberry would thrive only under certain conditions. Cranberry fields today are located in bog areas with peat soil, the fields are well-drained and can be flooded to protect the vines from cold weather and insects; sand is plentiful and necessary to slow evaporation, provide a good medium for root growth, and keep down weeds. Birds are welcome visitors to cranberry bogs. Some bogs are lined with birdhouses—homes for swallows, which eat destructive insects. And, with the birds, are the bees, who also perform an important service. Cranberry pollen is too heavy to be carried by wind, so bees are necessary to pollinate the flowers.

**Toys No Different For Children In Other Lands**

What kind of toys do children in foreign countries like? Pretty much the same as kids in America. For instance, some popular toys in France last Christmas were a Davy Crockett watch and a cowboy outfit of the type worn by a leading TV star. For the girls, dolls of course, and miniature household appliances. The best foreign market for French toys last year—the United States. Best export items: boxwood chessmen, wooden darts with turkey-feather tails and steel points; perfect-scale miniature doll prams; and dolls themselves. The first area chosen for development by Peruvian leaders is east of Lima, the capital, across the mountains into the interior. There new farm and pastoral communities are to be created, new roads and railway links built and hydro-electric works installed.

**Word of Caution**

What does your living room look like on Christmas morning? If your home is average, it's a mess! In fact, it is not a very safe place. Some folks buy their trees so early that the tree becomes dry and dangerous by Christmas morning. Tree lights left burning day and night have caused needles to become dry and many of them have fallen to the floor, which is also covered with gift wrappings. One electric spark, the careless dropping of a match or cigarette—and a happy holiday ends quite suddenly. Don't let it happen to you.

**Novel Idea**  
Broken Christmas tree decorations are still useful. Cut cardboard into star shapes and apply fresh, white shellac. While the shellac is still wet, place the fragments securely on the cardboard. When dry, the shellac will hold them in place.




**WE HOPE THAT THIS CHRISTMAS WILL BE A JOYOUS ONE FOR ALL OUR FRIENDS TILLIE'S DRIVE-IN**



**A Child is born..**

As the songs of angels rang out with the glorious message of old, may Christmas again bring new hope and blessings to all of you!

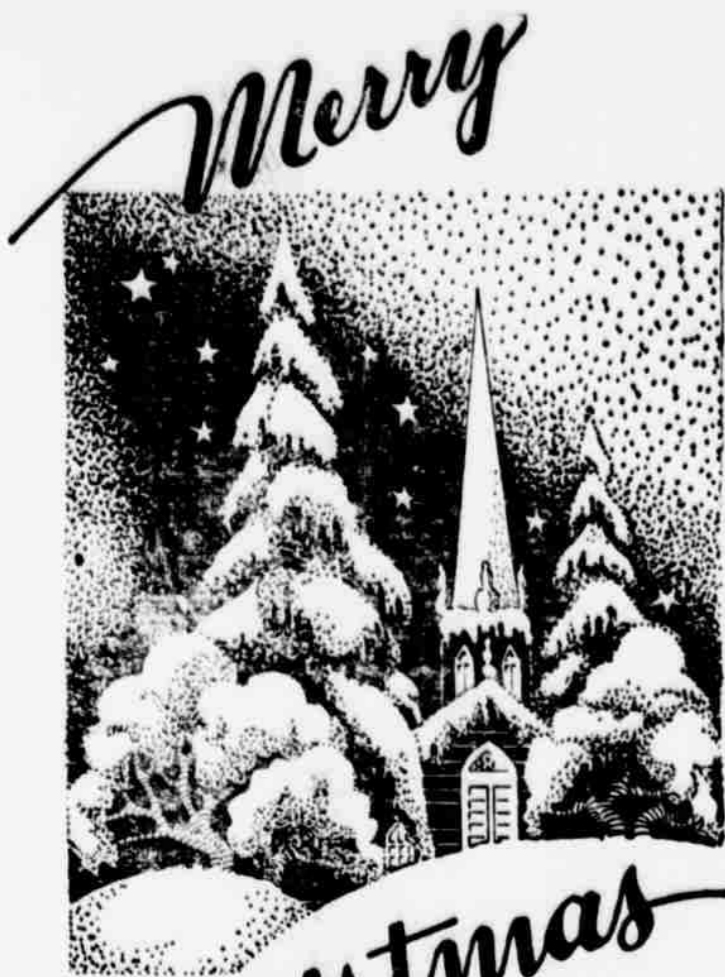
**W. A. LYLES JEWELER**  
East Side of Square Haskell, Texas



**A PRAYER for Christmas**

As the curtain begins to draw across the old year, we pray that the spirit of Christmas be kept in the hearts of men not only this one day... but every day. For with Christmas in our hearts nothing in life could ever quench the joy or dim the light of our peace.

**W. I. (SCOTCH) COGGINS INSURANCE AGENCY**



# Merry Christmas

The quietness and peace  
of Christmas blends  
with the spirit of thanksgiving  
to remind us of  
the joys of associating  
with folks like you.

## HIGHWAY DRIVE-IN

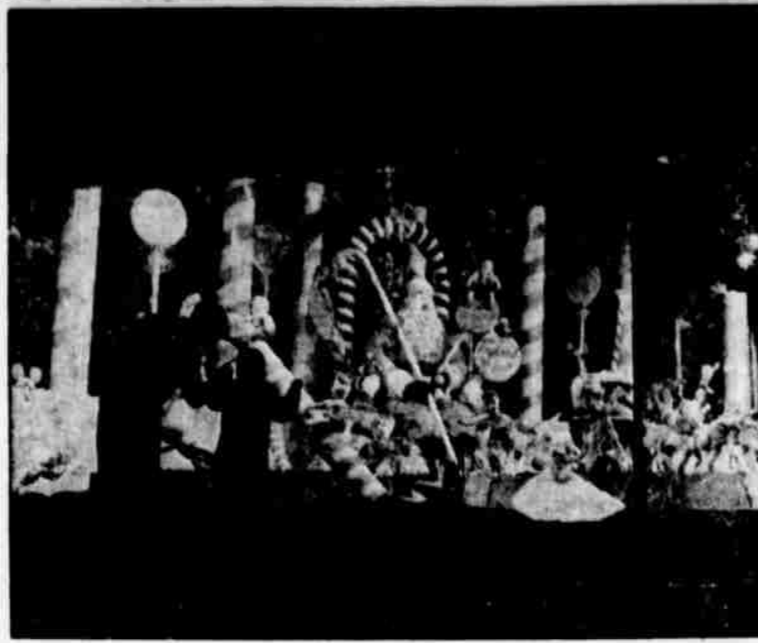
Mr. and Mrs. Sam Crume



Peace on Earth...  
Good Will toward Men.  
Each year we appreciate more fully the loyalty of friends...  
**A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL from our entire Staff!**

## CONNER NURSERY & FLORAL

Phone 864-3121



**THERE'S SANTA . . .** Father and son pause in their window shopping to inspect Santa Claus surrounded by huge candy canes in window of Chicago department store. Boy! Get a load of those lollipops, pop. They'd last a fellow an awfully long time!

### City of Nazareth Once Considered Insignificant

Nazareth, the chosen city and one of Christendom's holiest places, was once so insignificant that the term "Nazarene" was applied to Jesus Christ in derision. When Jesus called his first disciples, Philip of Bethsaida was chosen and he happily informed Nathanael, "We have discovered the One about Whom our scriptures speak. He is Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." And Nathanael replied, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" But when Nathanael came to Jesus, Jesus spoke to him and Nathanael exclaimed, "Thou art the Son of God, Thou art the King of Israel." Nathanael returned to Nazareth in the company of a few chosen disciples as Jesus was to begin His ministry in the land He loved so well.

### Fine Wrapping Does Much To Enhance Gifts

Decorative wrapping can do much to enhance the appearance and value of the most simple gifts.

Here are a few suggestions to help you to better gift wrapping:

Always work on a solid surface—a kitchen table, for instance—that affords plenty of "extra" room.

Carefully measure paper before cutting. Cutting away excess paper after gift is half wrapped is a cumbersome task, does not make for neat wrapping.

Make your bow separately and do not attach it until rest of wrapping is completed.

Be sure that ribbon matches at least one of the colors in wrapping paper.

Don't use dainty designs or pastel paper for a man's gift.

Paper with large designs or broad stripes should not be used to wrap small packages.

### YULE LOG CUSTOMS

Medieval England celebrated Christmas for 12 days instead of four. The celebration began with the lighting of a huge log, which was kept burning for 12 days. At the end of the 12 days, the fire was extinguished and a remnant of the fire kept for the following year when it would be used to kindle a new log. This gave rise to the Yule log custom and explains why Christmas is sometimes referred to as 'Yuletide.'

### Christmas Feast Huge Affair in Olden Days

Possibly one of the greatest Christmas feasts of all time was that sponsored by King Henry VIII in Westminster Hall in 1548. He had tents erected and artificial gardens plotted within the spacious hall of his palace.

Knights came out of the tents to joust in tournaments and fantastically dressed dancers covered from head to foot with gay ribbon streamers emerged from the gardens to entertain the guests.

Cost of the gold cloth used in the celebration amounted to 600 pounds alone.

Preparation for the feasting on such occasions can only be vaguely comprehended by considering that Richard II normally employed 2,000 cooks to prepare food for the 10,000 persons who shared his festive board.

### Christmas Not Holiday During Colonial Times

Christmas was not much of a holiday in Colonial times. On Dec. 27, 1783, Sir William Stevens made the following entry in his journal at Savannah, Ga.:

"A few people inclined to labour still; so great a propensity was there among them through prevalence of custom, to keep the Christmas holidays; tho' feasting here was not yet in fashion; and my servants thought it best working, without which I told them there was no eating."

### Pine Tree Has Role in Christmas Legend

The legend of the Faithful Pine which sheltered the Holy Family during the flight to Egypt is charming and touched by the mysticism associated with the Nativity theme.

With Herod's soldiers in pursuit, Mary simply had to rest awhile and sought shelter within the hollow trunk of a huge fir tree. As the soldiers approached, the tree bent its branches to conceal the huddled little group. When the danger passed, the baby Jesus blessed the old tree. And if you cut a pine cone lengthwise at Christmastime, you can still see the imprint of His little hand.



## JOY at Christmas

It's Christmas again!  
May it be a merry one for you and yours...and may the warm spirit of the holiday season touch each day of the coming year.



KENNEDY LUMBER CO.

### Items In Pantry Sometimes Make Ideal Gifts

The housewife who thinks she has run out of gift ideas may be missing a bet, right in her own kitchen or pantry.

Most any family would welcome gifts of delicious home cooked foods.

Relish, pickles, preserves, jellies, or just canned fruits and vegetables, wrapped in attractive packaging materials and topped with a ribbon, berries or artificial decorations— isn't there a family on your list that would enjoy such a gift?

### You Can Make Snow Same Way Grandmother Did

Aerosol "snow" enables you to spread a fluffy white covering over evergreen branches or holiday decorations by just pressing a button. If necessary you can still make snow the way grandmother used to do.

Place plenty of soap chips or flakes in a little water. Beat lightly with a wire mesh spoon just enough to get a nice, thick foam. Smeared on needles and stems, allow to dry and you have a beautiful winter woodland scene.

### Puritan Kiddies Not Without Christmas Toys

While it is quite true that Christmas was just another day in early New England, Puritan children were not without toys.

It is quite likely that children in Puritan families received toys as awards for being good. Since there were no stores in which to buy toys, the father had to rely on his own ingenuity and imagination.

In most instances, toys were miniatures of furniture or other items familiar about the home, and were carefully whittled out of wood.

Some interesting toys from the New England of a century and a half ago may still be seen at Old Sturbridge Village, Mass., a recreation of a typical town in this period of American history.

Included in the collection are such items as a doll bed, a wheel-barrow, a slant-topped desk, and a tiny team of oxen drawing a sled.

A baby howler monkey rides on its mother's back with its tail coiled around hers.



TO OUR FRIENDS

A MERRY YULETIDE

M. C. WILFONG  
TEXACO STATION



best wishes for the Holidays

CAHILL & DUNCAN AG



## Christmastide

May you experience the glorious feeling of peace and brotherly love . . . this Holiday Season.

SMITH'S CAFE  
Alvin and LaRue

# Happy Christmas!

The true joy that descends upon each of us during the Yuletide season, comes not alone from the gifts that we give, but in the spirit of giving.

The feeling of complete happiness that fills us when we know we've brought a touch of joy to a loved one is the secret that has kept alive the true meaning of Christmas.

It is in this unselfish spirit that we extend to our friends and neighbors the Season's Greetings.

GHOLSON GROCERY



**Greetings**

Cheery wishes for  
a Merry Christmas!

**Gardner East Side  
GROCERY**

May the peace and joy  
of this glad season  
be with you and  
yours on Christmas Day.



**HASKELL BUTANE CO.**  
AND MRS. ROY PITMAN

Box 381,  
Archer City, Texas

Dear Santa,  
I am a little girl 2 years old. I've tried to be real good all year long. I would like you to bring me a tricycle, an iron and ironing board and a baby doll.  
Please don't forget my Aunt Kathy. She lives in Haskell.  
Thank you,  
Gena Lynn Rexrode

Dear Santa,  
I have tried to be extra nice this year and would like a Madam Alexander Kitten Doll, a Brownie Doll, a radio, and a globe of the world.  
Please leave my gifts under the tree in my bedroom.  
Love,  
Pamela Klose, Age 7  
107 North Ave. M

Dec. 4, 1961  
Cochoma, Texas

Dear Santa,  
I am a little girl nearly three years old. I have been very good this year. I want a doll, sweeper, a guitar, some puzzles and anything else you think I need for Christmas.  
Teresa Carter  
P. S. I have a new cousin, Eddie Glenn Thompson, and I would like for you to bring him something.

## Letters to Santa

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little girl 8 1/2 years old and I try very hard to be good. I would like for you to bring me a little red spinning wheel, a Hedda Get Bedda doll, and a bicycle.  
My little sister, Renae Michelle, is a year old. She would like a baby doll and any other toys you might have for a one year old.  
Please go and see all of the boys and girls and fill their wishes. Merry Christmas!  
Love,  
DeLisanne McBroom

Dec. 4, 1961  
Odessa, Texas

Dear Santa,  
I am a little boy a year and a half old. I have been a very good boy. My name is Gary. I would like to have a tricycle and anything else that you want to bring me for Christmas. I also have two brothers that have been real good. Their names are Larry and Terry. Larry would like to have a sports car, racing game and a football and Terry would like to have a Firebird '69" and a football.

Gary, Larry and Terry Hix

Dear Santa,  
I am a little boy 3 years old. My name is Bobby Lee Brasco. I live at 2074 Henson, Abilene, Texas. I have tried to be a good boy. I would like to have a tricycle, coat, cap, and boots for Christmas. Please bring something for Mother and Daddy.  
Thank you,  
Bobby Lee Brasco

Dear Santa,  
Bring my two sisters, Brenda and Kathy each a doll. Also one for me. Bring our brother David some boy toys. We have been pretty good kids. We will be waiting.  
Charlotte Bales

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl four years old. Please bring me a pretty doll and a make-up kit for Christmas.  
My little sister, Betsy, wants a doll and some dishes. Don't forget my brother, Dennis. He wants a transistor radio. Thank you.  
Christi Sue Optiz

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a Chatty Cathy Doll. Bring my sister, Patricia, something. Be good to all the little girls and boys.  
Thank you, Santa.  
Karen Toliver

Weinert, Texas

Dear Santa,  
I am a little boy seven years old. I have tried to be a good boy this year. Would you please bring me a gun and holster for Christmas. Also some nuts and candies. Don't forget all the other boys and girls.  
Your friend,  
Glendon Hawkins  
P. S. - I also would like a pair of hand cuffs.

Dear Santa:  
My name is Santos. I have two brothers. Their names are Justo and Ernest. I am writing this letter to tell you about the gift we want.  
I would like a bicycle and a BB gun. My brother, Justo, wants a BB gun and a bicycle, too. My brother, Ernest, wants a tricycle and a truck to get on and ride.  
Yours truly,  
Santos Rodriguez

Dear Santa:  
I want a Hedda get Bedda doll and a nurse kit. Sandra wants a "I Hug You" doll and a jewelry box. Kathie wants a Chatty Cathy doll and a dish set. David wants a car he can ride on and a play monkey.  
Thank you, and love from  
Karen, Sandy, Kathie and David

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have tried to be as nice as I could. I am eight years old. My name is Donna Kate Darnell. I am in the Third Grade. I made a straight A report card. I did not get any N's.  
I would like to have a wrist watch for Christmas. I have wanted one for two years. My sister would like some Barbie records. Please send her some. She is a very nice sister. She has been nice a long time.  
Sincerely,  
Donna Kate Darnell

Dear Santa:  
I have been a good boy most all year. I would like for you to bring me a bow and arrow, a double holster gun set, a blackboard and Tinker Toys. Please fill my sack with fruit and candy and give some to all the good boys and girls.  
Love,  
Frank Paul Jircik

Dear Santa Claus:  
My name is Linda Gail Hilliard. I am four years old and have been a sweet girl all year. I would like for you to bring me a pedal tractor and a Baby Doll for Christmas. Bring my brother, Kenneth, an English racer bicycle. My sister Patricia, would like for you to bring her a transistor radio. Please fill our stockings with candy, nuts and fruits.  
Sincerely,  
Linda Gail Hilliard

Dear Santa Claus:  
You are very, very nice to bring us toys. This is what I want for Christmas: I want an electric sewing machine and a Baby Dear doll, and a new Princess phone. I am 8 years old. You can bring me other things, too. I have been good.  
Love,  
Lorenia Caddell

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am doing fine in school. I made five A's.  
I would like a Girl Scout camera. I would like you to get Mother a new dress. And Daddy a fishing rod.  
Your friend,  
Cindy Smethie

Route 1,  
Weinert, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little girl five years old. I have tried to be a good little girl. Would you please bring me a "Kitten" doll, some dishes and a doll buggy.  
Don't forget my little cousins, Rhonda and Donna.  
Your little friend,  
Lana Sue Bailey

Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,  
I am a pretty good six year old boy, and have a twin sister. Please bring me a football, jumping shoes, telephone and a gun.  
Remember all other little boys and girls, too.  
Thank you,  
Ed Walling

Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,  
I am six years old and go to school and am a pretty good little girl. I have a twin brother that wants a football.  
Please bring me a doll, a little red spinning wheel and jumping shoes.  
Don't forget all other little boys and girls.  
Thank you,  
Ellen Walling

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year and my little brother has been good, too, so we will be looking for you. I want a farm set for Christmas, one with a barn, fences, with birds on the fence and some animals inside the fence. Also, I would like a Tonka pick-up truck.  
My little brother wants a puppy and a jack-in-the-box.  
Please remember my cousins, Bennett and Lori Driver in Lamesa, and Kay, Linda and David in Dallas. I'm sure they have been good, too!  
We will have some hot tea and popcorn balls for you.  
Love,  
Roy Don Klose



**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

Loads of jolly wishes for the best  
Christmas ever, to our friends  
and customers from our  
entire staff.

**CITY FLORAL**  
VELMA and STELLA

**Greetings**

To our many friends, we wish  
you the Happiest Holiday and  
the Merriest Christmas, ever!

Thanks for Your  
Patronage

**The DAIRY CREAM**  
Pete and Elsie Jacobs and Employees  
Art Carter Family



**Christmas**

TO OUR LOYAL FRIENDS:


In this busy old world, it may often appear  
that we neglect or forget those we hold dear,  
But at Christmas time, we take this space to say  
That we value your friendship each and every day!  
To each of you... A Very Merry Christmas!

**Lane-Felker**

**Season's Greetings**

TINKLING BELLS, holly wreaths, winter scenes  
with evergreens; logs on hearth, candles bright, little faces  
beam delight... these, to us, are all warm reminders  
that a very special time is here... so a very special wish  
is due... May this Holiday Season bring you  
abounding stores of good cheer, peace and happiness.

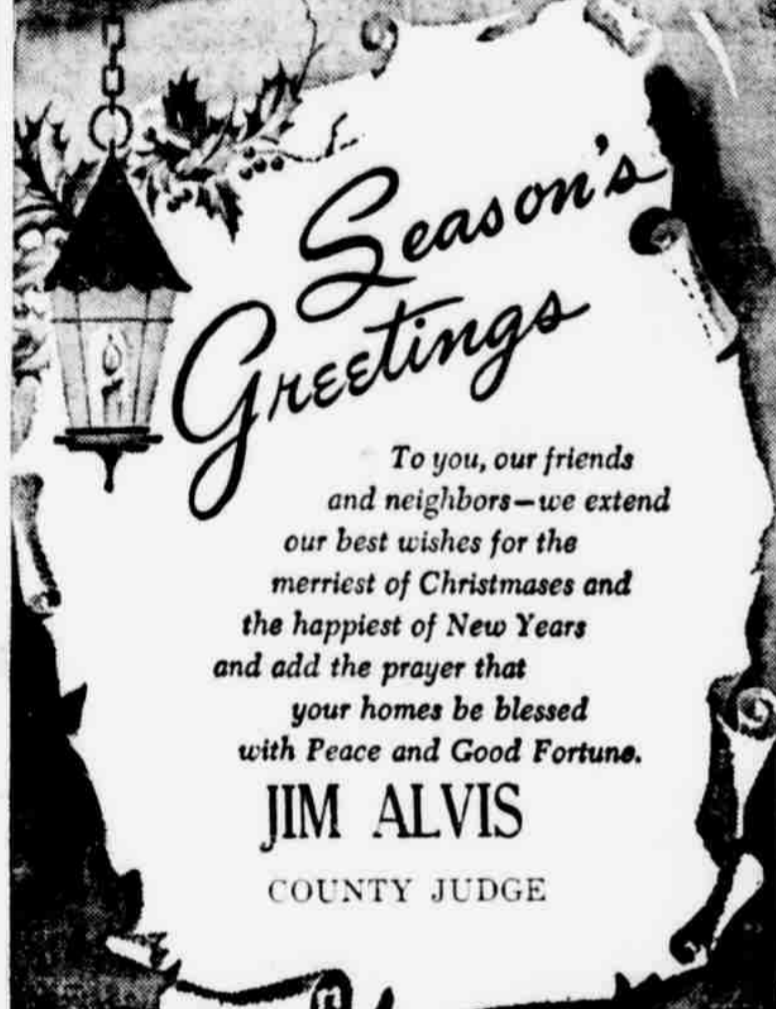
**HUNTER MEN'S WEAR  
& DRY CLEANING**



**GREETINGS**

May the season's joys follow you throughout a happy New Year.


**CARRIE McANULTY**  
DISTRICT CLERK



**Season's Greetings**

To you, our friends and neighbors—we extend our best wishes for the merriest of Christmases and the happiest of New Years and add the prayer that your homes be blessed with Peace and Good Fortune.

**JIM ALVIS**  
COUNTY JUDGE



**NOEL**

**CARL WHEATLEY**  
STATE REPRESENTATIVE



We wish you a sparkling, joyful and Happy Holiday Season!

**Jerry's Super Service Station**  
400 N. Ave. E Haskell, Texas

### American Turkey National Bird At Christmas

Next to the eagle, the turkey comes closest to being the national bird of Americans. At Thanksgiving and Christmas time, roast turkey traditionally occupies the No. 1 spot on the holiday menu.

A cold roast turkey platter is a favorite buffet attraction with hostesses who like to prepare the party dish a day ahead. Thus they can enjoy the company without the interruption of kitchen duties.

**How To Do It**

A top professional, Frank Forster, distinguished member of the American Culinary Federation, American Academy of Chefs, tells how he prepares his holiday cold turkey platter. Home cooks who follow his method should score a culinary hit with family and friends.

Here's how to do it:

Wash the dressed turkey thoroughly; season with salt and pepper, inside and out. Rub the whole bird with butter. Place turkey ON ITS SIDE in uncovered roaster and put in 350-degree oven. (Chef Forster notes that by roasting the turkey on its side, rather than on its back or face down, the juices are better able to run to the breast bone, keeping the breast meat from drying out.) As soon as the one side is browned, the turkey should be turned over and cooked on the other side.

Chef Forster favors 15 minutes per pound as cooking time. For the final quarter of an hour turn the breast up in order to brown it a little more. Baste every 15 minutes during the roasting.

**Zesty Gravy**

When done, place turkey on platter, slice as desired and store in refrigerator.

So as not to waste succulent pan juices from the roasting, Chef Forster suggests a zesty gravy to be used with the leftovers (if any) at a later date. This is his recipe:

About an hour before the turkey is done, add one coarsely diced carrot and a large diced onion. When turkey is removed from roaster, place the pan, containing the juices, on top of the stove over an open flame. Reduce the juices, stirring until the fat is cleared. Pour off all the fat. Stir in two tablespoons of flour. Add two cups of broth or water. Simmer for a few minutes and strain.

Have your holiday cold turkey platter, and gravy, too—both delicious.

**EXTRA TOUCH**

If you have a number of children on your Christmas list and consequently must settle for small-size toys, you can make each child's package more attractive by decorating the outside of the wrapped package with bright lollipops and other "treats."

### Cookies 'N Bows

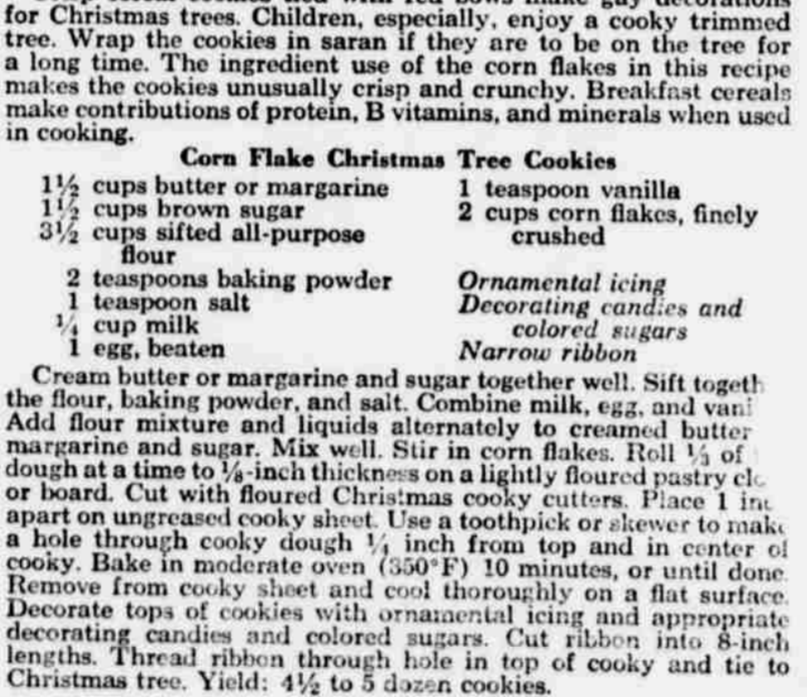


Crisp cereal cookies tied with red bows make gay decorations for Christmas trees. Children, especially, enjoy a cookie trimmed tree. Wrap the cookies in saran if they are to be on the tree for a long time. The ingredient use of the corn flakes in this recipe makes the cookies unusually crisp and crunchy. Breakfast cereals make contributions of protein, B vitamins, and minerals when used in cooking.

**Corn Flake Christmas Tree Cookies**

1½ cups butter or margarine	1 teaspoon vanilla
1½ cups brown sugar	2 cups corn flakes, finely crushed
3½ cups sifted all-purpose flour	
2 teaspoons baking powder	<b>Ornamental icing</b>
1 teaspoon salt	Decorating candies and colored sugars
¼ cup milk	Narrow ribbon
1 egg, beaten	

Cream butter or margarine and sugar together well. Sift together the flour, baking powder, and salt. Combine milk, egg, and vanilla. Add flour mixture and liquids alternately to creamed butter, margarine and sugar. Mix well. Stir in corn flakes. Roll ½ of dough at a time to ¼-inch thickness on a lightly floured pastry cloth or board. Cut with floured Christmas cookie cutters. Place 1 inch apart on ungreased cookie sheet. Use a toothpick or skewer to make a hole through cookie dough ¼ inch from top and in center of cookie. Bake in moderate oven (350°F) 10 minutes, or until done. Remove from cookie sheet and cool thoroughly on a flat surface. Decorate tops of cookies with ornamental icing and appropriate decorating candies and colored sugars. Cut ribbon into 8-inch lengths. Thread ribbon through hole in top of cookie and tie to Christmas tree. Yield: 4½ to 5 dozen cookies.



Our wish for you, — may all the blessings of this Holy Day be yours

### SLIPPER SHOPPE

### Questions To Answer About Christmas

1. Which state has a town named Santa Claus?
2. In which state is the town of Christmas located?
3. Legend says that the crown of thorns was plaited from which Christmas plant?
4. For how long has Christmas been observed on December 25th?
5. Which U. S. President forbade use of Christmas trees in the White House?
6. Who arranged the first manger scene, or creche?
7. "Buon Natale" means "Merry Christmas" — in which language?
8. A mistletoe arrow served as an instrument of evil in Norse mythology. What were the circumstances?
9. Seven states boast a city named Bethlehem. Can you name them?
10. In which country is Lucia Day observed?

**Answers**

1. Indiana; 2. Florida; 3. Holly; 4. Since 354 A. D.; 5. Teddy Roosevelt, who later relented when convinced selective cutting would not destroy the forests; 6. St. Francis of Assisi, who used live models; 7. Italy; 8. Loki killed Balder, the sun god, after Loki's mother had secured a promise from all living things, other than mistletoe, that they would not harm her son; 9. Connecticut, Indiana, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Maryland, and New Hampshire; 10. Sweden.



**Season's Greetings**

May this Holiday Season bless your heart with love, your mind with peace, and your life with happiness.

**O. J. HELWEG & Son**  
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**GREETING**

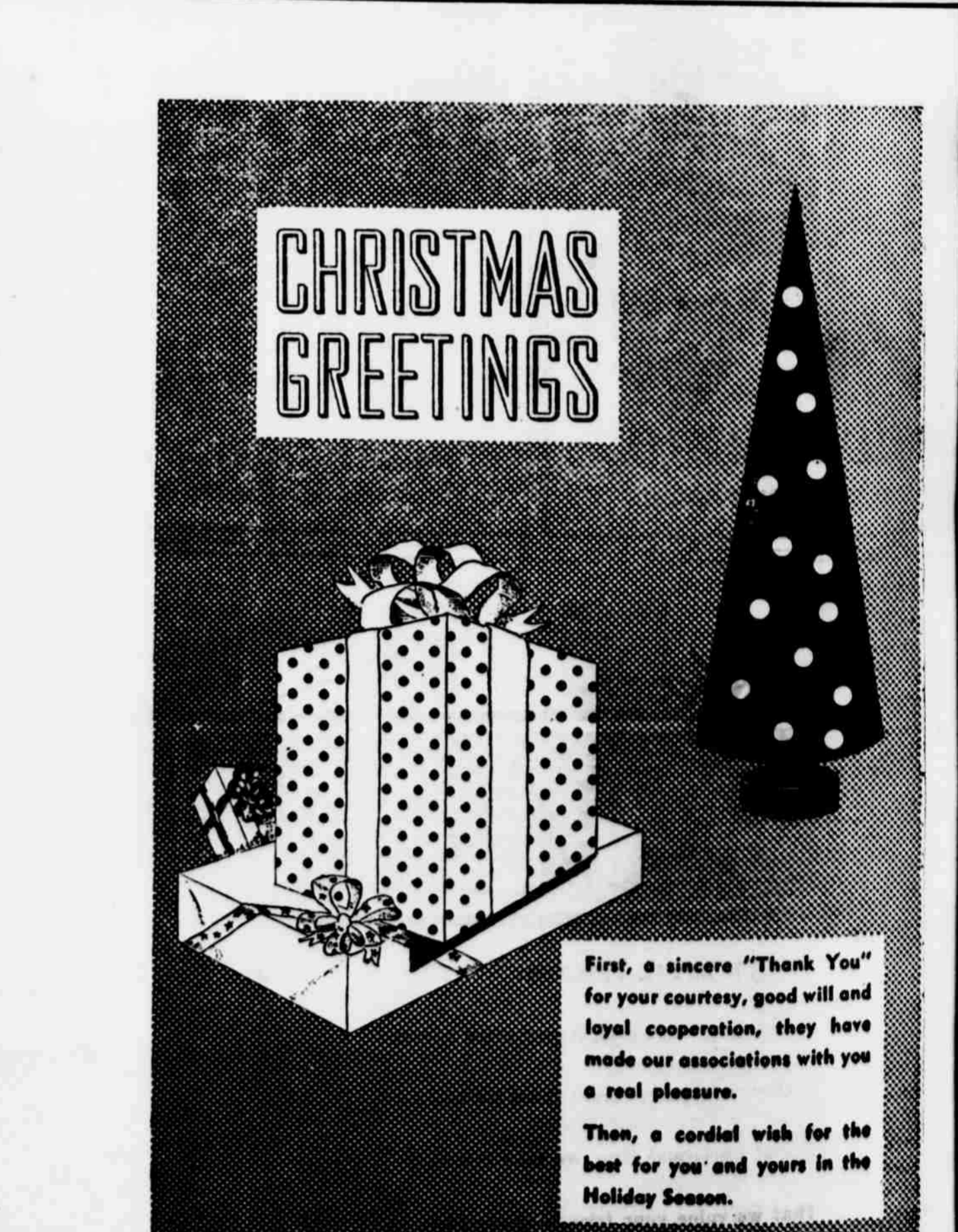
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*Sincere Wishes*

Midst the many greetings that to you this Christmas, we wish you to include our wishes for a joyous Holiday and a Rich and Happy New Year.

**MOTOR SERVICE**  
E. J. STEWART

### CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



First, a sincere "Thank You" for your courtesy, good will and loyal cooperation, they have made our associations with you a real pleasure.

Then, a cordial wish for the best for you and yours in the Holiday Season.

**FARMER'S CO-OP SOCIETY NO. 1**  
JOHNNY ADKINS, Manager

### Gay Decorations Go Far Back to Ancient Times

The ancients celebrated the winter solstice — the return of the sun — by decorating their homes with branches of mistletoe and holly.

Traditionally, Martin Luther is said to have set up the first Christmas tree for his children, although it was half a century after Luther's death that the first reference to a yule tree appears.

A manuscript traced to the year 1604 relates: "At Christmas they set up fir-trees in the parlors at Strasbourg and hang thereon roses cut out of many-colored paper, apple wafers, gold-foiled sweets, etc."

#### GIGANTIC TREE

A shopping center near Seattle, Wash., attracted plenty of attention by erecting a 212-foot Christmas tree. Trimming the tree required some 3500 colored light bulbs — and the aid of helicopters.

### Let Yule Spirit Shine in Home Decorations

Let the spirit of Christ pervade your home with gay, colorful decorations in every room of the house. Instead of confining your display to just the living room, let every room be a cheerful reminder of the holiday season.

Although you will probably want the traditional Christmas tree in your front room, there are many decorations that can be used in other rooms.

For example, in your bedrooms — corner windows with cornices can be used to display advantage with boxes wrapped in plain tissue paper and decorated with designs cut from last year's Christmas cards. Stack these "presents" along the top of the cornices and continue the holiday theme down to eye level with large bells hanging in front of your drapes, and more packages on the nearest table.

#### Hallway Mirror

In the hallway—use your hall mirror to reflect the holiday spirit with Christmas candles placed before it. There are many beautiful candles for the Yule season available in local stores.

In the kitchen, even pegboard can achieve a holiday look! With green knitting yarn, make the outline of a Christmas tree, placing tiny bulbs at the point of each branch. If you don't have pegboard, the same design can be fastened on any kitchen cabinet with transparent tape.

Make a ribbon tree as a perfect centerpiece for your dining room table. For this lovely display, cut a 14-inch cardboard circle and cover it with aluminum foil. For the center post use a tall candle or cardboard tube. Attach four ribbon stripes at one side of the base, bring up over tube and attach at other side of base. Decorate it at the top with a bow, and attach glass ornaments to each ribbon.

#### Sequined Socks

In any room where you have a fireplace, here's a variation of the stocking-hanging-from-the-mantle theme. Using a child's sock as a pattern, cut felt into various sizes for each member of the family and stitch sides together. Sequins, glitter or any other holiday trim can be attached if desired. Stuff the socks with cards, flowers or candy canes and place them on top of your mantle.

Tiny "trees" in each room will also add to the festive look of your home, and are easy to make. Using Styrofoam block as a base, insert a 2 1/2-inch knitting needle for the trunk. To form the body of the tree attach glass balls in graduated sizes to the needle with wire hangers.

Colorful decorations such as these, strategically placed throughout your house this Christmas, will serve as happy reminders that "tis the season to be jolly!"

### Mistletoe Is Plant of Many Characters

Boys are fond of mistletoe because of its power to invite a kiss from a pretty girl. Birds like mistletoe, too, for a different reason.

The white-berried plant serves as winter food for mockingbirds, robins and waxwings. These small birds are responsible for the spread of this damaging parasite. After eating the berries the birds clean their beaks on the trees, firmly planting the mistletoe seeds they do not eat.

The tap roots of the seedling pierces the tenderest portions of the tree—young branches or buds—and the tree sap is drawn into the thick leaves and translucent berries of the guest plant.

### Snow Painted On Christmas Trees In Hawaii

Although many Hawaiians have seen ice only as frozen in refrigerators, the trees used by the islanders for Christmas decorations are painted white to simulate snow.

Christmas dinner is an elaborate affair, enjoyed in the privacy of the home.

Gift-giving is in order and everyone exchanges inexpensive presents. Even servants in hotels expect and receive gifts from overnight guests.

#### ST. STEPHEN'S DAY

In Christian liturgy, December 26 is observed as the feast of St. Stephen, the first Christian martyr, and during the centuries when journeymen and apprentices were in the habit of levying upon their master's customers, "Christmas Boxes" were collected on St. Stephen's day.

#### EVERGREEN IDEA

According to an ancient Norse belief, an evergreen on the door will keep out witches—which may or may not have something to do with the fact that a giant, 22-foot, 1,000-pound wreath was hoisted onto the Metropolitan Museum in New York for the 1958 holiday.

Your customers read the Want Ads. If your message is there they'll read it every week.

### Romance Found In Christmas Myths

There are many charming traditions about love and lovers connected with the Christmas holidays.

In northern England, young maidens place holly under their pillows with the verse, "Good St. Thomas, serve me right, and send me my true love to-night."

In the Swiss Alps, when a young woman accepts a gift of

edelweiss, it is traditionally understood that she also accepts the young gentleman who offers it.

And of course the custom of kissing under the mistletoe, as an expression of everlasting love, is one which dates back centuries. Although still a part of our Christmas tradition, it is now more of a "fun" custom rather than a sentimental one.

Every 24 hours, a half million tons of oil are moved from the fields to Texas refineries.

### Christmas, Fla., Once Feared Hostile Indians

The town of Christmas, Florida today is a symbol of peace and good will. Thousands send Christmas cards and packages to be mailed from this small community during each holiday season.

Christmas, Fla., was established 122 years ago as a fort to provide protection against hostile Indians. Today, it is a small average town, with no

claim to fame other than its unique postmark, "Christmas, Florida."

Each year thousands of Americans send their cards and packages to the Chamber of Commerce in the nearby city of Orlando, and the Chamber sees to it that the items are mailed from nearby Christmas.

Someone has what you want to buy—contact them with a Want Ad.

Texas produces 86 per cent of the nation's oil.

### Insure Long Life For Poinsettia

Proper care will insure a long life for the poinsettia plant. Here are some suggestions:

Place the plant in a sunny window well away from drafts and excessive heat. A temperature of 70 degrees is recommended.

Examine the soil twice daily and keep it uniformly moist. When it starts to dry out, apply enough water to get the soil wet to the bottom.

CHRISTMAS . . . happens to be the scene above. The scene above shows men aboard a combat cutter. A single Christmas tree lights the spirit of Christmas of yet to be.



Here's a melody of good wishes for all our friends that sings out: MERRY CHRISTMAS, everyone!

**DICK'S BARBER SHOP**  
Tommy and Dick



Our Christmas Wish

Our Sincere Wish is that you and your family may know all the old-fashioned, yet ever new, joys of the Season. MERRY CHRISTMAS!

**ROOKS MIDDLETON**  
Gulf Distributor



... all is calm, all is bright....

This is the spirit of Christmas that began on that silent and holy night in Bethlehem. May this same spirit bless your family, bringing you all the heart-warming joy of a very Merry Christmas!

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# GREETINGS




We wish you every joy  
and blessing of this happy  
Christmas Season!

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the Season be an every-  
day possession for the  
whole year, is our wish

**FRED ALLEN SHOE SHOP**



May your Christmas  
ring with laughter;  
May your Holidays  
be merry. May  
your dearest wishes  
all come true!

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## Letters to Santa

**Dear Santa:**  
I would like you to bring me an English racer. My little sister would like you to bring her a pedal tractor and my big sister would like you to bring her a transistor radio. My big brother would like you to bring him a tent. Sincerely,  
Kenneth, Linda, Pat and Ronald

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I am eight years old and I am in the Third Grade. I am Garry Melton. I have been trying to save up money for Christmas Eve.  
For Christmas Eve I want an electric football set, a telescope and the Civil War set and wrist watch. And I want some soldier and I want two electric Army tanks. I want an electric train and Brownie camera. And I want ten pairs of blue jeans and some shirts and three belts.  
My Daddy wants a white shirt and a car and a gun. He wants \$25 in bills, a pair of socks and one belt. And my big brother wants a model airplane and an electric train. And he also wants an electric ship. And he wants a wrist watch. And my Mother wants a new set of dishes and a new set of silverware and two dresses. And she wants three head scarfs.  
With love,  
Garry Melton

**Dear Santa:**  
I tried to be good, and I tried to make 100's so far. My name is Larry Campbell. I am eight years old. I made 100 in spelling Wednesday. I made four X's on my card. I am in the third grade. I like it.  
I want a truck with a boat with a motor on it. I want a car with a boat and a motor on it. I want a record player. I want a wrist watch. I want the truck with springs on it. I want a ring. I want two cars. I want a truck. With love,  
Larry Campbell

**Dear Santa:**  
My name is Gwynn Butler. I am nine years old. I want a watch for Christmas. I want a telescope for Christmas. My Mother wants a cook book for Christmas. My Father wants a coat for Christmas. With love,  
Gwynn Butler

**Dear Santa:**  
I am eight years old. I am in the Second Grade. I want a nurse kit. I have a little brother and he wants some little cars. Don't forget the other little boys and girls, Santa.  
Love,  
Dorothy Freeby

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
My name is Lynda Kay Lane. I am in the Third Grade. I am eight years old. I am in Miss Hunt's room. On my report card I made straight A's.  
I would like to have a Freckles doll. Please bring me a pretty wrist watch. Would you bring me a red ring? I would like a blue gown. Please bring me a blue housecoat and some blue house shoes. The house shoes are Size 1.  
My brother would like a tent and sleeping bags. He would like a portable radio. Please bring him a pellet gun. My Mother would like a bottle of perfume. My Daddy wants some socks. Sincerely,  
Lynda Kay Lane

**Dear Santa:**  
It won't be long until Christmas. I am looking forward to seeing you again.  
Santa, if you can, please bring me doll clothes for Chatty Kathy, and if you think I've been a nice girl, you may bring me something else.  
I will hang my stocking for candy, fruit and nuts.  
Please share your gifts with all of my friends.  
Please don't forget my Grandmother's and Daddy Boy. I love you lots.  
Melanie Ann Vojkufka

**Dear Santa:**  
I would like a Tiny Tears doll, dishes, table and chairs.  
Thank you,  
Jan Allison

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I am a little girl, 5 years old. I have been a good little girl all year. I would like a record player and a typewriter for Christmas. Be good to all the other little boys and girls.  
Merry Christmas.  
Laquita Rogers  
Haskell, Texas



*Best wishes  
for  
Christmas  
and  
the  
New Year*



As we come to this season as is the custom we want to wish you Season's Greetings. But most of all we want to express our sincere appreciation for the fine cooperation we have received during this year.

**GARTH GARRETT**  
SHERIFF

## See Texas First...

**Texas—Best in Nation**  
There are more than 700 roadside parks along Texas highways. All offer complete picnicking facilities. Many have drinking water and firewood. No other state is so well blessed with these wonderful facilities to make your traveling more enjoyable.  
These parks are a mighty welcome sight when you need

**Prehistoric Man Had His Pick**  
Along our Rio Grande River, many relics and ruins have been uncovered proving that a prehistoric culture inhabited that part of Texas for centuries.  
After all, prehistoric man had the whole world to choose from, didn't they?  
All of which goes to prove that Texas has been a preferred place to live for longer than most of us realized.

**Who Named Baylor University?**  
Baylor University, at Waco, was named for an outstanding Judge. He was Dr. Robert Emmett Bledsoe Baylor. How that came to pass is an interesting story.  
The man who placed the Baylor name on the great educational institution was William Melton Tryon. He was the second missionary sent to Texas by the American Baptist Home Mission Society. He was a leader in church and state and was the chaplain in the Congress of the Republic of Texas.  
Tryon, who first originated the idea of a Baptist University in Texas, was made a member of the committee appointed to secure the university charter from the Republic of Texas.  
Tryon rejected Judge Baylor's suggestion that the school be named Tryon and into the application wrote "Baylor."  
Tryon then served as the first permanent President of the Board of Trustees of Baylor University.

**MISTLETOE CUSTOMS**  
The ancient Druids worshipped mistletoe because it grew on their sacred oak. At the end of each year, a Druid priest would cut down the mistletoe with a golden sickle, and not one twig was allowed to touch the earth. Later, sprigs of mistletoe were fastened over doorways to ward off evil spirits.

**Dear Santa:**  
I would like to have a BB gun, football, and a Flying Fox airplane. Thank you.  
John Allison  
1104 N. Ave. L  
Haskell, Texas

**Dear Santa,**  
This is being written by my mommy since I am only three years old. I have been a pretty good little boy and hope you will remember me and all of the other little boys and girls this Christmas.  
If you can, I would like you to bring me a cowboy holster gun set, a stick horse, a choo choo train, fruit, candy and nuts. You can also bring me anything else you think of.  
Thank you!  
Love,  
Royce Craig Meier  
Weinert, Texas

**Dear Santa,**  
I am a little boy nine years old. I would like a basketball set and a gun and holster, nuts and candies. Don't forget the other girls and boys.  
Your friend,  
Gary Hawkins

**Dear Santa,**  
I am a little boy four years old. I would like a toy farm, a gun, candies and nuts. Don't forget all the other boys and girls. Bring my little sister, Floradean, a doll.  
Your friends,  
Johnny, Floradean Hawkins



MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OUR  
LOYAL FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS,  
AND WISHING THE BEST  
EVERYTHING FOR YOU!

**ELMA GUEST**  
Ready-to-Wear



**Greeting**

Once more, with the approach of Christmas, we take time out to express to all our friends and patrons our deep appreciation for the confidence placed in us and for the loyalty shown us throughout the past year. It is our sincerest wish that your Holiday be a happy one with a glad spirit and good health.

**TEXACO, INC.**  
FRED GILLIAM, Consignee

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Dick Tracy Station, Haskell  
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GILMORE SUPPLEMENT COMPANY

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa: I have been a good little girl. I would like for you to bring me a doll, table and chairs, a tricycle, candy and apples. Please don't forget all the other boys and girls. Love, Leesa Pennington

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl four and one-half years old. For Christmas I would like for you to bring me a doll, a ring and a toy watch. Please be good to my little niece Gena and to my cousins and friends. I love you. Kathy Perrin

Dear Santa Claus: How are you? This Christmas I would like to have a helmet and football, some guns and a holster, some books and a viewmaster with reels. Mark, my baby brother, would like to have some cloth books, blocks, some pull toys, and a pair of shoes. We both want a whole lot of candy and fruit. Please don't forget all my cousins and friends. Love, Paul and Mark Hix

Dear Santa: I am a little girl seven years old. I would like a typewriter, a doll, and a watch for Christmas. Sincerely yours, Sharon Foster

Dear Santa Claus: We are going to be visiting our Mamaw and Papaw Jones at Haskell during Christmas. We would like for you to bring each of us boys these things: A football helmet, a tool set, a Jack and Jill radio, a wagon, and a set of Lincoln logs. We have had a baby sister since you came last year and she needs a doll, a musical teddy bear, and a telephone. Please fill our stockings with candy, nuts and fruit. Be sure to bring something to all the boys and girls. Thank you, Santa Claus. Your friends, Michael, Bobby and Paula Beth Price

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl six years old. Will you please bring me a life-like doll with some doll clothes, a record player and a pair of house shoes. Please bring my little dog Mitzi a new collar and leash. Thank you, Anna Lou Collier

Dear Santa Claus: I want a BB gun, a robot Commando, a train, a siren police car with lights, a steel cash register, and a movie camera. Jimmy Huggins

Dear Santa: I would like for you to bring me a pair of leather gloves and a shirt for Christmas. And something else, a leather bill-fold. I would like to have a book. Well, I'd better be going. Bye, see you at Christmas. I love you, Eddie Elmore

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good girl. Please bring me a little red spinning wheel, Barbie Doll, Ken Doll, Tiny Tears Doll, and dishes. Love, Debbie Burson.

Dear Santa Claus: I am Pam Harris. I am 10 years old. I would like it very much if you would bring me Ken and his wardrobe, Barbie's wardrobe, Jan Bussay's charge account game, house slippers and a house coat. Yours truly, Pam Harris

Dear Santa: I am seven years old and in the first grade. My name is Helen Mary Cadenhead and I want a walking doll and a bicycle. Thank you, Helen Mary

Dear Santa Claus, My little brother and I have been good little boys all year. We live in Odessa, Texas, and we would like for you to bring us some toys. We will leave you cookies and milk. Brady and Scott Henshaw

Dear Santa Claus: I am Pat Harris. I am eight years old. I would like it very much if you would bring me, Ken and his Wardrobe, Barbie's wardrobe, surprise package game, house shoes and a house coat. Yours truly, Pat Harris

Dear Santa Claus: I'm a boy, eight years old. I would like for you to bring me a telescope, a watch, and a Bible. I would also like to have a game or two. I have tried to be a good boy this year. Love, Ricky

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl five years old. I've been pretty good this year. I would like to have a washer and dryer and clothes-line, a walking doll and a Bible. Please be good to all the other boys and girls. Love, Niki

Dear Santa: I want a concentration game and a race car set and a video village game. I hope all the other boys and girls get Christmas, too. Love, Randell Arend

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 7 years old and in the Second Grade. I have tried to be good this year. I want a spinning wheel and a Baby Dear doll for Christmas. Don't forget Sharon and Larry, my big sister and brother. I love you, Joan Caddell

Dear Santa Claus: I am seven years old and in the Second Grade. I would like to have a Chemistry Set, a Rebel suit, a bow and arrow and a fire truck. Remember all the other boys and girls. Your friend, Steve Alsbrook

Dear Santa: My name is Bonnie Lou Adkins. I am six years old and in the First Grade. Please bring me a Madam Alexander talking doll, a sewing machine, a French poodle dog made out of clothes sacks, and a record holder with a list. Don't forget my little sister, Jill Ann, and bring her some toys. Bonnie Lou Adkins

Dear Santa, Please leave under our tree a doll, doll clothes, a doll bed, and a cook set for I've tried to be good. Love, Helen Myers

Dear Santa, I am a little girl, a year and a half old, so this is all new and exciting for me. The lights and tree decorations are so pretty. Would you please leave a little baby doll under our tree, also candy and gum. Love, Mary Kim Myers

Dear Santa, I am in the second grade. Would you please bring me a Betsy Wetsy Doll, a cook set, doll clothes, and a doll crib. Remember all the little boys and girls everywhere. Love, Diane Myers

Dear Santa, I have been as good a little boy as I could be. Please bring me Roddy, the Mixer truck, a set of guns, and a farm truck with animals. Love, Gregory Myers

Dear Santa, I am a little girl, five years old. I would like a cripple doll and some nuts, candies and fruit. Don't forget all the other boys and girls. Your friend, Margaret Hawkins

Peace on Earth Good Will Toward men... Each year we appreciate more fully the loyalty of friends. A Merry Christmas to all! Bob Hurst Radio & TV Service 114 N. Ave. E • Haskell

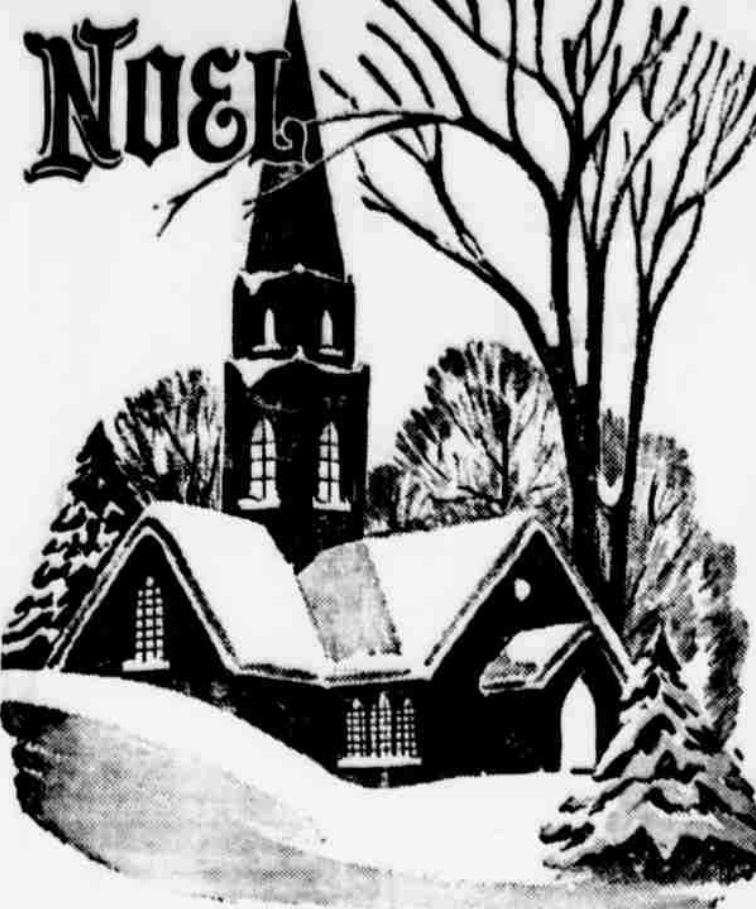
Greetings May this Holiday Season be the nicest you've ever had! JOHN BROCK COMMISSIONER—PREC. 1

HAPPY HUNTING! by Carol Lane, WOMEN'S TRAVEL DIRECTOR, SHELL OIL COMPANY. MAKE SURE YOUR HUNTING WEEK ENDS ARE FUN BY FOLLOWING THESE SAFETY SUGGESTIONS: CARRY YOUR GUN UNLOADED IN THE TRUNK COMPARTMENT OF YOUR CAR. LOAD THE GUN ONLY IN WOODS OR OPEN AREAS, WHEN DRIVING TO A NEW SPOT, UNLOAD GUN BEFORE GETTING INTO CAR AND MOVING ON. WHEN WALKING, HAVE THE SAFETY ON, MUZZLE ALWAYS POINTED AWAY FROM COMPANIONS. NEVER GIBB WITH A LOADED GUN. AT A WALL OR FENCE, PUSH YOUR GUN ON AHEAD OR HAND IT TO A FELLOW HUNTER. WATCH YOUR BACKGROUND. HARD, FLAT SURFACES MEAN RICOCHET. OTHER TIPS: YELLOW IS THE BEST COLOR FOR HUNTING CLOTHES. IF YOU'RE LOST OR NEED HELP, FIRE THREE SHOTS AT EVEN INTERVALS, REPEAT A FEW MINUTES LATER. WHEN DUCK HUNTING FROM A BOAT, TWO COMPANIONS SHOULD FACE IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS. IN WOODS, WALKING SIDE BY SIDE IS SAFEST. THE BEST GENERAL ADVICE: ALWAYS TREAT A GUN AS THOUGH IT WERE LOADED.

MERRY Christmas The Yuletide season is a wonderful time. With it comes fun and laughter for the children, good cheer and pleasure for the grown-ups. May all the happiness that comes to you and your dear ones this Christmas continue throughout the New Year. BIGGON'S SUPER SERVICE - MOBIL PRODUCTS - Christmas W. (Biggon) Drinnon, Owner 102 N. Ave. E Phone 864-8968

In Your Christmas stocking, may you find our warmest greetings, wrapped in appreciation for your past patronage and tied with our sincere friendship! DEAN BUTANE CO. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Dean Richard Fagan Oris Brinlee

The Season's Best Wishes YOUR CHEVROLET DEALER BAILEY TOLIVER CHEVROLET COMPANY From All of Us to All of You



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### Personal Touch Will Enhance Your Gift

This Christmas, take a little extra time with your gift wrapping to come up with charming, unusual designs that will add greatly to the pleasure of all concerned.

There are many ways to use wrapping paper, tape and ribbon that you're sure to run out of gifts—before you run out of ideas.

Here are some suggestions for achieving that personally gift-wrapped look.

**Santa Portrait**  
The children on your list will be delighted to find Santa Claus' smiling face on their presents. For this jolly portrait, cut out Santa's features from heavy paper in appropriate colors and paste them onto a rectangular box. If you prefer, you can use self-adhesive paper. It comes in all colors, and can be cut to resemble any form you like and attached to the top of your paper. Popular motifs for such cut-outs are little angels or animals. If you are not talented in the drawing department, simply trace your cut-outs from magazines or books.

Everyone knows that wrapping a bottle is just about one of the most difficult cover-up chores at Christmastime.

**Irregular Wrap**  
A clever way to handle this problem is by turning your gift into a clown with a bright, gummed-back paper. Draw the clown's face on the neck of the bottle and tie it with a big bow. Make paper into a cone shape for the clown's hat, finishing it off with ball fringe. The fringe can also serve as his nose and for the buttons on his "suit."

In every group of presents, there is always at least one item of such an irregular shape that it's impossible to wrap it neatly. For these problem gifts, try making a paper sack from bright red paper, using a plain grocery bag as your pattern. Apply a design cut out from left-over gift wrapping paper for colorful decoration.

A clever way to put leftover scraps of wrapping to good use is by cutting out words or designs and pasting them on shiny black wrapping paper. The result makes a striking package that is particularly appropriate for masculine gifts.

These are just a few ideas to get you started on your personalized gift wrapping—you'll find that as you go along, ideas will occur to you for making your gifts unusually colorful and interesting.



**DICKENS' STYLE . . .** Costumed for the part, three carolers sing Christmas carols during New York City presentation of life-size diorama illustrating Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol."

### Frankincense And Myrrh Once Highly Valued

Gold has always been one of man's most treasured possessions, but what about frankincense and myrrh, the other substances which the Wise Men chose to offer as gifts to the infant Jesus? Why were they so highly valued?

Frankincense and myrrh are resins taken from trees and shrubs found on the dry rock-strewn hills of Somaliland and southwestern Arabia. Peoples of antiquity used the two substances for a variety of purposes—for embalming and in cosmetics, perfumes, medicine and incense.

**Frankincense**  
Somaliland is chief producer of frankincense, although some comes from Arabia. Most frankincense comes from a small shrub-like tree with a stout trunk and pale brown and yellow bark. Its flowers are grouped in slender clusters and the fragrance of the blossoms is discernible for a considerable distance.

The resin flows from natural fissures in the bark of the tree, or from man-made incisions. It emerges as a whitish, viscous liquid that turns yellow and clings to the wound in the tree like tears. Every few days the resin is collected and the wound in the tree is refreshed.

Ancient Arab traders introduced frankincense to many peoples. Today, the yellow tears and brown lumps of resin are sent to the seaport of Aden to be shipped to Europe, America or Bombay.

**Myrrh from Somaliland**  
Myrrh is obtained from trees of several species and most of it comes from Somaliland. Some of the trees are from ten to thirty feet tall, other myrrh-producing plants are mere bushes.

Myrrh flows freely from a break in the bark of a tree or plant and is collected in brownish yellow or red brown masses that may be as large as a hen's egg.

The ancients used myrrh in embalming; the Egyptians used it in the mummification process and Roman physicians prescribed myrrh in treatment of dropsy, earache, eye diseases, bladder stones, abscesses and broken heads.

Frankincense was chiefly used for incense, yet was an early ingredient in prescriptions for chest pain, hemorrhoids, hemorrhages from the mouth and throat, broken heads and paralyzed limbs, bruises and ulcers.

All credit unions are chartered by the government, either state or federal, and operate under law and government supervision.

### Pendant Drop Necklace Is Popular Gift

The pendant drop necklace highlights this season's jewelry fashions and makes one of the most popular Christmas gifts.

There are enormous pearl-shaped pearl drops, dramatic jeweled drops or fine gold-toned drops on the new necklaces.

Give a finished, well-planned look to her costume with a pair of matching drop earrings. The longer, more visible drop earring is right for the ear-covering hair styles and helps to balance the fuller bouffant cuts.

Looking for a very feminine, gay and sentimental Christmas gift? The Fashion Coordination Institute suggests the new, rigid bangle bracelet that carries a single big charm.

The newest bracelet fashion fills in the shortened sleeves on suits and dresses, and is the latest version of the traditional charm bracelet. There's an almost invisible clasp to make the charms detachable and interchangeable in an endless assortment.

### MISTLETOE MYTHS

Like frankincense and myrrh, also associated with Christmas, mistletoe was once hailed for its medicinal properties. The ancient Druids of Britain attributed mystic powers to the mistletoe plant and believed it effective against diseases, pains and witchcraft. To announce an engagement with a kiss beneath its berries was considered the best guarantee of happiness, good fortune, fertility and long life.

### Keep Children Occupied As Holiday Nears

Children get bored during the Christmas season.

Sure, Christmas is a season of excitement for the young ones. The trouble is they get so excited waiting for Santa to come that they become impatient—and need something to occupy their time.

The wise mother will give them something to do.

Children enjoy making things with their hands. They are anxious to help decorate the house and the tree.

Many parents brush them aside, saying "You are too little"—and the children are left with their boredom.

Give the kids a chance to help. Put them to work with a cookie cutter. Draw simple designs on cardboard for them to cut out and color. Let them paint holiday messages on boiled eggs with water colors.

### NOT SO LONG AGO

Christmas is centuries-old, but the observance as we know it today is somewhat young. The Puritans and Pilgrims considered Christmas an illegal holiday. As late as 1865, it was a legal workday in many American cities and those who refused to work lost their jobs.

The first credit union in the United States was organized in Manchester, New Hampshire in 1903.



## Christmas WISHES

A wealth of health, happiness and contentment are our wishes for all our friends and neighbors on this most joyous holiday.

**Boggs & Johnson**  
Haskell - Rule

### Holiday Fare Varies Around The World

What will you feast on this Christmas? It depends largely in what part of the world you live in, for countries differ greatly as to traditional menus for Christmastime.

In many countries, including France, Ireland and the Scandinavian countries, goose takes the place of honor at holiday tables. In Scandinavian homes, the tables are also laden with meats and fish during the Yule season.


Germans add apple stuffing to their Christmas goose, while the Dutch like theirs with highly spiced dressing and plenty of puddings, fruit cakes, honey cakes and dessert breads.

England serves her beloved roast beef during the holiday season and Latin countries choose lamb for their Yuletide feasts. In Portugal, the traditional dinner has fish and fowl.

And in America, of course, the turkey reigns supreme as the favorite holiday dish.

## Merry Christmas

May all the joys of the season dwell in your heart and in your home on Christmas and throughout the year.



**JESSIE VICK**  
County Superintendent

## Season's Greetings




May your enjoyment of the Holidays be young in spirit and gay in heart. And may you have A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

**Starr Welding & Motor Service**

## Christmas Blessings

PEACE, contentment and good cheer—these are the blessings that we wish for our friends during Christmas and the entire New Year.



**Production Credit Association**  
Haskell, Texas



## Good Wishes

To you whose friendship and patronage we treasure, we wish a Holiday of good health, good cheer and prosperity to last through-out the coming New Year.

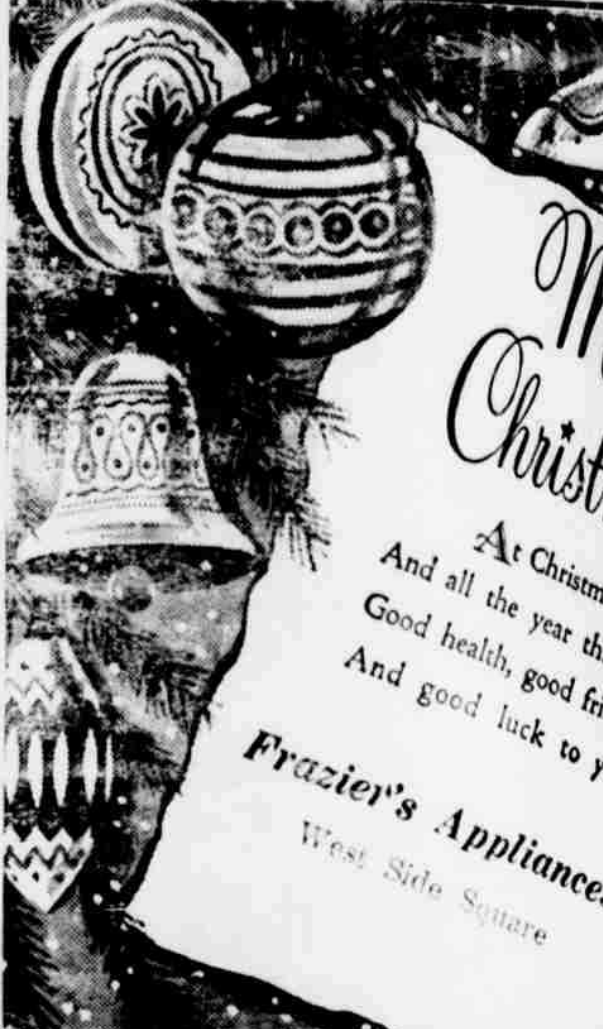
**Carol Thompson**  
Banner Ice



## CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS FOR ALL OUR FRIENDS

The Wise men knew that this is the season for great rejoicing and many blessings. We wish you all the joys of this holy holiday.

**INDIAN GRILL**  
EDITH AND NEAL HUDSPET



## Good Wishes

At Christmas and all the year through Good health, good friends and good luck to you.

**Frazier's Appliances**  
West Side Square



# Season's Greetings

May this HOLIDAY SEASON bring each of you . . . JOY, PEACE, LOVE and GOOD WILL. Above all we would like to say thank you and may you have a very MERRY CHRISTMAS!

**BILL WILSON MOTOR CO.**  
209 South Avenue E • Pho. 864-2611 • Haskell, Tex

*Merry Christmas*  
*Happy New Year!*

CHARLIE CHAPMAN  
DISTRICT JUDGE

ROYCE ADKINS  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

### Civic Club Gets Permanent Tree

Because a local civic club took advantage of an opportunity when it arose, the city of Ronan, Montana, has a permanent Christmas tree and a beautiful corner the year round.

When a local citizen decided to get rid of some huge evergreen trees which had grown too large for his yard, the civic club offered to stand the cost of transplanting if the tree were given free to the town.

Ronan now has a beautiful Christmas tree each year—without having to purchase a new tree for each holiday season.

### Use Spotlight To Enhance Outdoor Tree

If you want your outdoor decorations to really attract attention, spotlight them and conceal the source of the light as much as possible.

Placing the spotlight beneath nearby shrubbery hides the source of light—but be careful, spotlights get hot and might cause damage to the shrubbery or cause a fire.

A gas well drilled in the Gulf of Mexico will cost \$88 per foot or an average of \$973,000.



AIR-MINDED . . . Rockets and satellites are popular, yet the model airplane still holds great fascination for boys of all ages.

### Simple Gifts

Gifts that you make yourself are always highly appreciated, and can be elegantly decorated if you use a bit of imagination. Coffee cans painted and trimmed will make ideal containers for goodies from your kitchen. Wicker baskets, trays, apothecary jars, hat boxes; all of these can be decorated or trimmed to add a more personal touch to an individual gift.

### Gaily Wrapped Gifts Half of Holiday Fun

Half the fun of receiving Christmas presents is in admiring beautifully wrapped packages. Fortunately, it's so easy to create unusual and pretty packages, and it's fun, too!

Here are a few suggestions for wrapping your gifts this Christmas:

When selecting ribbon for a package remember to use light ribbons when wrapping with dark paper as dark ribbon would make your package look heavy. Be sure to wrap your package snugly, without bulges, tying ribbons firmly.

The secret of a neat package is in using the right size of wrapping paper to avoid bunchiness. Cut your paper to allow for a 2-inch over-lap lengthwise, leaving the ends approximately one inch longer than half the depth of the box. Fasten paper firmly around the box with seals, paste or sticky tape.

### For Display

If you are using paper with a large design on it, check to make sure the design is showing on the face of the box before you fasten your paper in place.

Once your package is wrapped, draw ribbon around the box and tie it securely with a square knot. You can vary your design many ways, simply by changing the direction of your ribbon.

The cross-corner tie is achieved by drawing your ribbon slantwise to top of box, under upper right corner, up and over lower right, under lower left, back to your starting point.

The sunburst tie can be made by winding ribbon in parallel bands around your package; cut ribbon, crossing one of loose ends over and under bands; tie, drawing bands together firmly and evenly.

Equally distinctive and smart is a series of bands around the package, or even one band. The simple 2-way tie is used a great deal and is equally attractive.

### Bows

After you have tied your package, fashion a bow for it. There are many types of bows that can be made easily from ordinary ribbon.

The simplest is the shoestring bow. Hold your ribbon by its edges, between your thumb and middle finger, with forefinger behind ribbon to steady it. Form two equal length loops, cut ends slightly longer than loops, trimming ends on sharp slant. Tie a narrower length of ribbon around your bow with a square knot; fasten it to your box. Two shoestring bows tied together form an even lovelier bow.

The "spring" bow is another simple-to-make bow that has many delightful variations. To form this bow, wind ribbon around the tip of your thumb, making graduated loops equal in distance from each other until bow reaches desired size. Continue holding bow firmly between thumb and forefinger as you slip a narrow ribbon through center loop and tie it with a square knot. Spring bows can be used singly, doubly or triply, and in clusters.

If you lack the time or patience to make your own bows, choose from the many lovely pre-tied styles that can be purchased at most stores. They come in all colors and sizes and give a truly professional look to your gift wrapping.

### Today's Toys Are Exciting to Both Father and Son

The average father isn't content to leave Junior's train as Santa delivered it—in the box. After Santa makes delivery, dad just has to get down on his knees, set up the rails and give the train a few practice runs.

This, of course, is why toy-makers stress the "father and son" approach in selecting toys and advertising them.

Toys for the current Christmas season will please both the old and the young, and they run a wide range, from electric trains to scale models of ships and planes, power drill sets, model power boats and model airplanes.

It costs an average of \$11.40 per foot to drill an oil well in Texas.

### Saint Nicholas Born In Turkey, Legend Relates

Saint Nicholas, the beloved gift-giver, was born in the semi-tropical city of Patara, Turkey and lived a full and colorful life without traveling very far from home.

It is said that he was marked for holiness from the day of his birth, at which time, according to legend, he stood up in his mother's arms to give thanks to God for being born. Even as an infant, he refused to nurse on Fridays, and he observed this fast day as long as he lived.

The origin of the three golden balls which hang over the modern pawnshop is found in a typical story about Saint Nicholas. Three daughters of a poor nobleman, so poor they had no dowries, were trying to decide which one of the three should sell herself as a slave so the others could marry. Saint Nicholas heard their discussion and tossed a bag of gold through the open window and he repeated the act of generosity until all three girls were suitably married. This was the beginning of legend of Nicholas, the saintly donor of gifts.

Later, as Bishop of Myra, he performed miracles which brought him widespread fame. The Roman Emperor Diocletian threw him in prison; Constantine, the first Christian emperor, released him.

Today Saint Nicholas is the patron saint of many countries, of children, and of sailors.

Saint Nicholas died in 342, on Dec. 6, and for centuries his fame was restricted to the small area in which he had lived and died. In the 11th century, Italian sailors took his bones from the chapel in Myra and brought them to Bari, Italy. The voyage was an excellent one and since that time sailors have revered Saint Nicholas—and his fame has spread to the far corners of the earth.

### Early Lights

Barrel-shaped glass lights were among Christmas tree ornaments used before the turn of the century. Illumination shone brightly through the various-colored glass—amethyst, moss and emerald green, blue and gold balls and strings of tinsel.

*Greetings for CHRISTMAS*

We'll go along with Santa in wishing a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All.

WOODARD FARM SALES  
Your FORD TRACTOR Dealer

*MERRY Christmas*

We greet our friends at this happy time and wish them well, now and always.

WEST SIDE Barber Shop  
Sam, Arlo and Claude

YULETIDE GOOD WISHES TO LIGHT UP ALL YOUR DAYS!

HERE'S HOPING SANTA DELIVERS A FULL PACKAGE OF CHRISTMAS HAPPINESS TO YOU!

Cunningham Grocery & Station  
East on Throckmorton Highway

*Greetings*

Here's a wish to all of our friends that the wonderfully-exciting spirit of Christmas come to your house and remain throughout the New Year.

Woodson Radio & Electric  
Charmode Beauty Shoppe

*Merry Christmas*

Another word brightens eyes of children and the hearts of adults. No other words our wishes so well — MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

FIELD'S DEPARTMENT STORE

*Silent Night*

May all the rich blessings of this Holy Season be yours throughout the year!

BYNUM'S  
Mr. & Mrs. J. A. Bynum and Sue Scrivner

*Best Wishes*

In the true spirit of this most joyous of holidays, we wish all our friends and neighbors a full measure of happiness, health and prosperity.

NEELY DRY GOODS  
Northeast Corner Square

*A Very Merry Christmas*

This is the time of year when our thoughts turn with warmth and gratitude to you, our many loyal friends and customers. To every one we wish a MERRY, MERRY, CHRISTMAS!

THE FARMER'S NAT'L BANK  
OF RULE

Morris Neal, Executive Vice-President Pearl Cox, Assistant Cashier  
Jo Benton Henry Townsend, Assistant Cashier Polly Cox

COMMUNITY TREES

Four communities are believed to have thought of the idea of an outdoor community Christmas tree about the same time—as early as 1913. Two of

them, McDonald and Germantown, were in Pennsylvania. Salem, Ore., decorated a Sitka spruce and Riverside, Calif., featured a large evergreen, an Aracuria.

Metal Used As Medium of Exchange By Egyptians As Early As 2500 B. C.

When you receive a coin in change, do you bite it to be sure it's real? Drop it for the bell-like ring? Weigh it on a scale? Of course not, but before King Croesus melted gold and silver into coins around 550 B. C., metal money was always of uncertain value. "Wealthy as Croesus" doesn't necessarily mean a man has all the money in the world, but it means he knows the extent of his wealth to the last penny.

As far back as 2500 B. C., Egyptians recognized the superior value of metal as a medium of exchange. It lasted far beyond paper or animal "money."

The clever Chinese bought farm lands and exquisitely embroidered tapestries with measured cubes of gold around 2100 B. C. In crucibles, or melting pots, small chunks of precious metal were melted and formed into easy-to-store blocks, saved for "rainy-day" spending.

Even the Bible mentions the use of gold and silver bullion for money. In Genesis 23:16, we find "Abraham weighed unto Ephron 400 shekels of silver, current money with the merchant." The price covered a burial place for Abraham's family.

Lives of ancient peoples were usually centered about their temples or other places of worship.

Around 550 B. C. folks did their banking at the temple. They deposited what gold and silver they could spare, or borrowed from the "bank" at suitable rates of interest.

That was just about the same time the Lydians' King Croesus decided to take the guess work out of finance. Too many fakers were melting impure metals in with precious stuff, and the time had come to certify the true value of money. Coinage by means of dies or stamps was begun. The purity and weight of the metal were marked on each coin, and even if it wore a little thin with wear, every trader along the line credited the coin at its original value from Croesus' mint.

Coinage became an art when the Greeks borrowed the method from Lydia. Grecian coins were cut better and decorated in a more beautiful manner. From Greece, the custom traveled to Rome.

The Emperor Nero is infamous for many things. But did you know he was the first known counterfeiter of coins? Which proves that the best-laid plans of mice and men... etc. What Croesus thought was a sure-fire solution to trickery seemed only a challenge to Nero's ingenuity!

When the trading value of metal fell—back into the crucible it went, to be transformed into jewelry, sword handles, delicate goblets and candlesticks. In the early days of hallmarking, people converted their easily-stolen coins into household valuables which could be marked by the smithy and identified if stolen, and recovered.

Modern crucibles are used for far more than coinage or creating home accessories. Copper, brass, bronze, aluminum, etc., are melted in a crucible furnace for the thousand and one factory and construction alloys demanded by industry. The six companies belonging to the Crucible Manufacturers' Association in the United States are responsible for electrical connectors, plumbing supplies, bowling alley equipment, castings beyond number.

And hard money is still one of the most important products of the crucible.

At the United States Mint in Philadelphia, alloys for different denominations of coins are melted in crucibles in electric furnaces. When they reach the right temperature, these molten metals are poured into molds and cast into ingots of various sizes.

The ingots go through rolling mills which flatten them to the proper thickness for coins. Then blank circles are punched out of the strips, polished by various solutions in "tumbling barrels" and finally struck with dies which make them money we're used to seeing. The back, front and reeded edges are stamped all at one time.

Most coins are made from an alloy of several metals. The silver in your pocket, for example, is one part copper to nine parts silver. Five-cent coins are 75 per cent copper, 25 per cent nickel. Bronze pennies are 95 per cent copper, 5 per cent zinc and tin combined.

Did you know that no copper cents were struck at the U. S. Mint during 1943? If you own an alleged copper penny with that date, it's a phoney—either zinc-coated steel that was copper-plated after it reached circulation, or a genuine copper penny of another year with the date altered.

Another wartime restriction in the use of metals caused a unique five-cent piece to be created. A silver-copper-manganese substitute alloy was adopted temporarily, and the Mint mark was changed

from its usual position to the right of Monticello to a position above the dome of that building. The letter "P" was used on all Philadelphia five-cent coins for the first and only time in the history of that Mint. After the war, the old appearance of the coin was reinstated.

Ever wonder what the "J" on the Roosevelt dime means? The letters are initials of the designer of the coin, John R. Sinnock.

If you're the proud possessor of a silver dollar... hold on to it. None have been struck since 1935 and the old ones are becoming more valuable. Do not try to buy silver dollars from the government at any time... they don't sell them. Try a bank instead!

You'll probably never see or spend a half-dime... but that was the first coin minted in America. In 1792, the first Director of the U. S. Mint, David Rittenhouse, presented the President's wife, Martha Washington, with a batch of half-dimes. None were put into circulation. By act of Congress the half-dimes were issued expressly as a gift to the First Family of America; and the father of our country distributed them among friends as souvenirs.

More pennies are turned out of the Mint each year than any other coin... about two billion in number. But it was on a now-defunct bronze two-cent piece that the motto "In God We Trust" first appeared... in 1864. According to records of the U. S. Treasury Department, the suggestion to recognize God on the coins of our country is credited to a Rev.



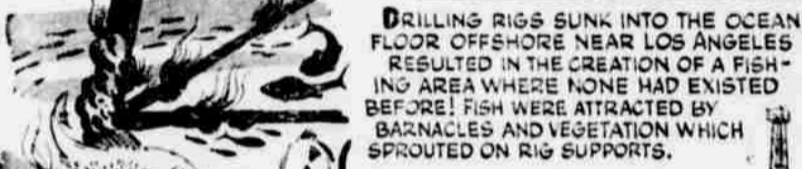
Today's coins bear little resemblance to the crude tokens used by ancient Egyptians and Chinese in 2500 B. C. Metal has long been recognized as a medium of exchange because of its long-lasting qualities. Lydians' King Croesus is credited with having started the first coinage of money by means of dies or stamps.

M. R. Watkinson of Ridleyville, Pa. The motto chosen, however, didn't become mandatory on all U. S. coins until July 11, 1951! The story of hard money links all civilized races of man. Next time you jingle the coins in your pocket, that's history talking out loud to you!

EXPLORATION AND CONSERVATION



HIGH IN THE ALLEGHENY MOUNTAINS EXPLORING OILMEN AND FOREST RANGERS WORK TOGETHER ON CONSERVATION MATTERS. EACH RECOGNIZES THE IMPORTANCE OF THE OTHER'S ASSIGNMENT. OILMEN SEEK SUPPLIES OF NATURAL GAS TO PROVIDE FOR THE NATION'S FUTURE NEEDS. FOREST RANGERS PROTECT THE FOREST AND ITS WILDLIFE.

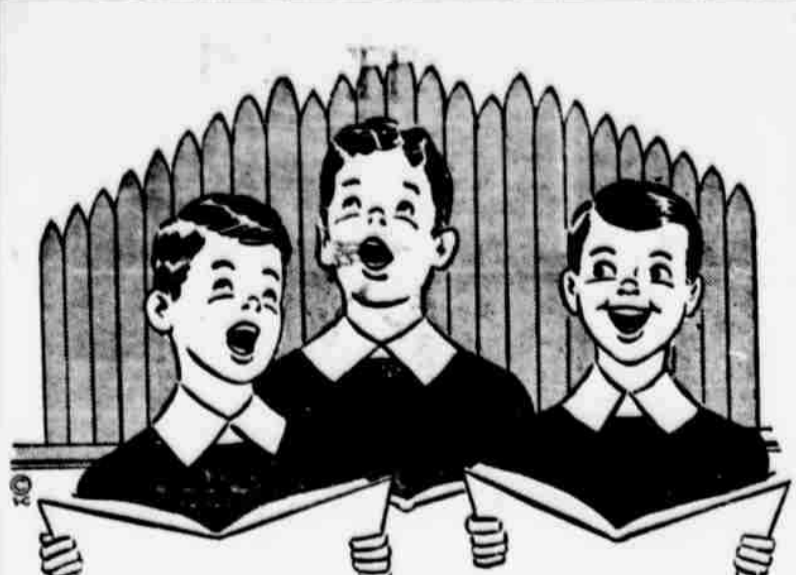


DRILLING RIGS SUNK INTO THE OCEAN FLOOR OFFSHORE NEAR LOS ANGELES RESULTED IN THE CREATION OF A FISHING AREA WHERE NONE HAD EXISTED BEFORE! FISH WERE ATTRACTED BY BARNACLES AND VEGETATION WHICH SPROUTED ON RIG SUPPORTS.



THROUGHOUT MANY AREAS OF THE U.S. OILMEN AND CONSERVATIONISTS ARE PROVING THAT OIL AND WILDLIFE ARE COMPATIBLE. PERHAPS THE MOST IMPRESSIVE EXAMPLE IS IN LOUISIANA THE NATION'S SECOND LARGEST OIL PRODUCING STATE. MUCH OF THE OIL COMES FROM THE COASTAL MARSHES AND TIDAL FLATS—ONE OF THE NATION'S GREATEST CONCENTRATIONS OF MIGRATORY WATERFOWL.

GREETINGS and Best Wishes. May the cheerful glow of Christmas candles be reflected in your heart and brighten the New Year with joy and contentment. BLOHM STUDIO MR. AND MRS. M. L. BLOHM



"JOY TO THE WORLD..." Here's our cheery carol for you — May all the joys of the Holiday Season be yours on Christmas Day! RENFRO GROCERY and MARKET MR. AND MRS. LLOYD RENFRO 1506 N. Ave. E Haskell

Happy Holiday! To One and All! BEAUTY BAR MARY SUE GUESS MARY SEARS

A Roundup of Christmas Wishes to All Our Friends. RUSSELL'S FINA STATION 1000 N. AVE. E HASKELL, TEXAS

Holiday Greeting To all of you whom we have privileged to serve—we extend our thanks for your patronage our best wishes that your Christmas be filled with much happiness and joy! THE PERSONALITY SHOPPE

Merry Christmas. At no other season of the year are warm feelings and friendly words more fittingly sincere than at this time. We say to you... Merry Christmas! M. L. COOK HUMBLE STATION 107 North First Street Haskell