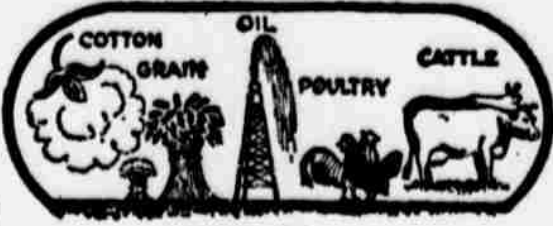


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again the Yuletide season us... and once again... readers of the Free Press... Merry Christmas... Happy New Year... it is... each of us to review... Christmas story.

These days a decree went... Caesar Augustus that... world should be enrolled... his own city. And Jo... journeyed from Gal... to the city of Nazareth... to the city of David... called Bethlehem, be... of David, to be enrolled... his betrothed, who... child. And while they... time, the time came for... to be delivered. And she... to her first-born son... and laid him in a man... there was no... them in the inn.

in that region there...pherds out in the field... watch over their flock... And an Angel of the... appeared to them, and the... the Lord shone around... and they were filled with... and the Angel said to... Be not afraid; for be... you good news of joy... which will come to... for which to you is born... in the city of David, a... who is Christ the Lord... will be a sign for you:... find a babe wrapped in... clothes and lying in... And suddenly there... an angel a multitude... heavenly host, praising... saying.

to God in the highest... earth peace among men... whom he is pleased!"

the angels went away... them into heaven, the... said to one another, go... to Bethlehem and see... thing that has happen... the Lord has made... to us." And they went... and found Mary and... and the babe lying in a... (Luke 2:1, 3-16)

on earth, good will to... is realized only when... men, wiser men are more... of each other. May I... help to bring about... of a new reverence... friendliness and help...

ing at life is a great deal... at a church win... there is no more beauti... in the world than the... of the late morning sun... up the rich colors of... of Christ ministering... children grouped in... robes about Him... corner of the window... symbols of protection... as a shepherd holding... or a mother holding... All give meaning to... figure and every... of glass and every color... carefully selected to... and soul satisfaction... The more symbols... sees he more lifted is... and body...

the window can become a... glass, crudely held to... by lead molding of a... figure. The figures... delineated, crudely... by... between dirty and... The corner figures can... confusing, irrelevant and... merely to cover up... The sun could much bet... window, or regular de... with the archaic figures... The happening... the people we meet, the... we strive for, all can be... experience, woven... in an exciting exist... the same episodes can... to dissatisfaction and... the choice is ours.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

County Youth Livestock Show Set Saturday, January 18th

The Haskell County Junior Livestock Show has been set for Saturday, January 18th, at the Fair Grounds, according to County Agent, Max Stapleton.

Officers and directors for the upcoming event include Cecil Lewis, chairman; Max Stapleton, secretary-treasurer.

The board of directors are: Wallace Allison, Preston Ballard, Wallace Dudensing, Lowell Freeman, Dan Riley Griffith, Russ Hobbs, Tom Horton, Jimmy Howell, Tom Kutch, James Powell, John Therwanger, C. A. Thomas, Jr., and Haskell Stone.

Only Four-H and FFA members that attend school in Haskell county will be eligible to enter.

The Livestock Show Committee announced that a youth livestock auction would be held in conjunction with the January 18th show. The sale will be held at 4:00 p. m. at the County Livestock Auction. The 4-H and FFA members who enter the livestock show may sell their animals at the youth sale, if they so desire.

All business men, farmers and ranchers are urged to support the Four-H Clubs and FFA chapters in Haskell county by attending the Youth Livestock Auction.

Benjamin Lark Melton, Munday, Dies In Haskell

Benjamin Lark Melton, 67, of Munday, traveling north on Avenue E, suffered an apparent heart attack at the wheel of his automobile, around 3:45 p. m., Wednesday, December 18th. The vehicle jumped the curb and came to rest on the lawn of the Woodrow Frazier residence, 601 North Avenue E, Haskell.

Funeral services were held Friday, December 20th, at 2:30 p. m. from the First Methodist Church, Munday, with Rev. Walter Bailey and Rev. H. E. Graves, officiating. McCauley-Smith Funeral Home of Munday was in charge of arrangements and interment was in Johnston Cemetery.

Kathy Hager Chosen As Chairman Of District Three Four-H Council



KATHY HAGER

Kathy Hager has just recently been chosen as Chairman of the District three 4-H Council. She was selected by the voting delegates from a 22-county area to serve as the chairman. Nominating Kathy for this position was Debbie Campbell, Haskell County Gold Star Girl for 1968.

Debbie cited the outstanding club work and qualification that Kathy has done, which would qualify her for the highest office to be obtained on the District 4-H level.

Kathy is well-qualified to serve as the 4-H Council Chairman because of her active participation in the county, district, and state level of 4-H club work.

County Participation: County Make-It With Wool Contest, helped plan and served as Mistress of Ceremonies for the 1968 Haskell County Gold Star Banquet, represented Haskell County the past six years at the District Eliminations Contest, judged Stephens County Gold Star Record Books, 4-H junior leader for five years helping to conduct food preparation and clothing workshops. Member of the

City Council Meeting Held Monday Night

Since the regular meeting date of the City Council fell on Christmas Eve, December 24, the Council pushed the meeting date up one day, and met Monday night, December 23rd.

Specialist To Speak To County 4-H Horse Club

County Program Building Committee, Modeled 4-H garment in County Cotton Queen Contest, held local and county-wide 4-H officers, won numerous awards and ribbons for her outstanding club work, 1965 Haskell County Gold Star Girl.

Worked in connection with Home Demonstration Clubs planned activities.

District Participation: Modeled and served as page for the District three THDA meeting, judged Junior Record Books, District Leadership camp-two years, District Electric Clinic, District Dress Revue-2 years. Greeted dignitaries for two years as District 4-H Council officer at various District functions, she had the district record book, district three council secretary, district three council chairman, district Make-It-With Wool Contest.

State Level of Participation: Record book went to State two years in the Santa Fe Division. Will attend seminars in Houston and Dallas as District three 4-H Council chairman.

4-H projects carried in her past 9 years as a 4-H club member are: Citizenship, Home Management, Food Preparation, Home Improvement, Bedroom Improvement, Food Preservation, Clothing, Leadership, Garden, Recreation, Child Care, entomology, rifle and Share-The-Fun.

Kathy is a senior at Weiner High School and is very active in class and various club organizations. She has been a member of the Beta Club, a National Honor Society for the past four years. Represents Weiner in the Small Schools Seminars held at Abilene, District University Interscholastic League Contest participating for 9 years. Last year she attended Regional in Informativ Speaking Division.

Kathy is the 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hager Jr. of Weiner. She will attend Texas Technological College at Lubbock next fall and major in Business Administration.

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Goodfellows Bring Cheer To Many Less Fortunate Families

Christmas cheer prevailed in a number of Haskell homes as a result of the activities of the Goodfellows, where otherwise the gladsome holidays would have been lacking, in the Christmas touch.

The generous response plus made possible the distribution of 83 baskets of food, candies, fruits and toys to needy families in Haskell. Also numerous articles of clothing were included for some of the more destitute families.

The program was made possible through donations to the Goodfellows Fund, a project sponsored each year by the Lions Club.

Distribution of baskets was made Monday, December 23rd, by volunteer workers.

Royce Adkins, general chairman of the Goodfellows project, expressed appreciation for the splendid cooperation of all who volunteered to help with the program; for the liberal discounts given on purchases; to the scores of generous contributors to the fund and to the Haskell Free Press for keeping tab on donations and publicity during the past several weeks.

Previously acknowledged... \$669.00

Latest contributions to the Goodfellow Fund follows: Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Mathis... \$5.00 Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Johnson... \$10.00 Power Plant Employees... \$22.25 Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Holt in memory of Johnny Holt... \$5.00 Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Payne... \$5.00 Mr. and Mrs. Perry Spenny... \$5.00 Haskell I.O.O.F. Lodge... \$25.00 Ladies Sunday School Class Paint Creek Church... \$8.00 Anonymous... \$5.00 Haskell Elementary PTA In honor of Dr. Harry Scales and Singing Six... \$10.00 Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Colbert... \$15.00 Anonymous... \$5.00 Mr. and Mrs. Albert Barnett... \$5.00 Anonymous... \$5.00 Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Addison... \$10.00

Thomas To Have Shorthorn At Stock Show

C. A. Thomas III, of Haskell, will have Shorthorn competing in the 1969 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, January 24 through February 2.

The entry deadline for cattle, horses, sheep and swine has just passed, and Stock Show President-Manager, W. R. Watt and other officials are in the midst of tabulating the mound of entries.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

WINNERS ARE NAMED IN HOME LIGHTING CONTEST

Winners have been announced in the Christmas Home Lighting Contest sponsored jointly by the Haskell Business and Professional Women's Club and the West Texas Utilities Company.

Winners of first place in the window lighting division was Lave Anne Frierson, 1101 North Ave. F. She received a study lamp. Second prize of \$5.00 went to Loraine Johnson, 405 S. Ave. G. Third prize of \$3.00 went to Jim Medley, 505 N. Ave. E.

First in the door division was Mrs. John Larned, 206 N. Ave. F. She received a study lamp. Second place winner of \$5.00 was Mark McCoy, 1804 N. Ave. F. Third prize of \$3.00 went to Mrs. Paul Allen, 1807 N. Ave. G.

First in the yard division was Ervin Lehde, 911 N. Ave. I, who received a study lamp. Second prize of \$5.00 was awarded Sue Willemsen, 1007 N. Ave. K, and third prize of \$3.00 went to Dorsey Oliphant, 806 N. 10th.

All first place prizes were given by the West Texas Utilities Company. Second and third prizes of \$5.00 and \$3.00 were contributed by the Haskell Business and Professional Women's Club.

Judges were Rosa Veazey and Mrs. Mary Gay of Stamford. The B&PW Club and the West Texas Utilities Company expressed thanks for the response to the lighting contest.

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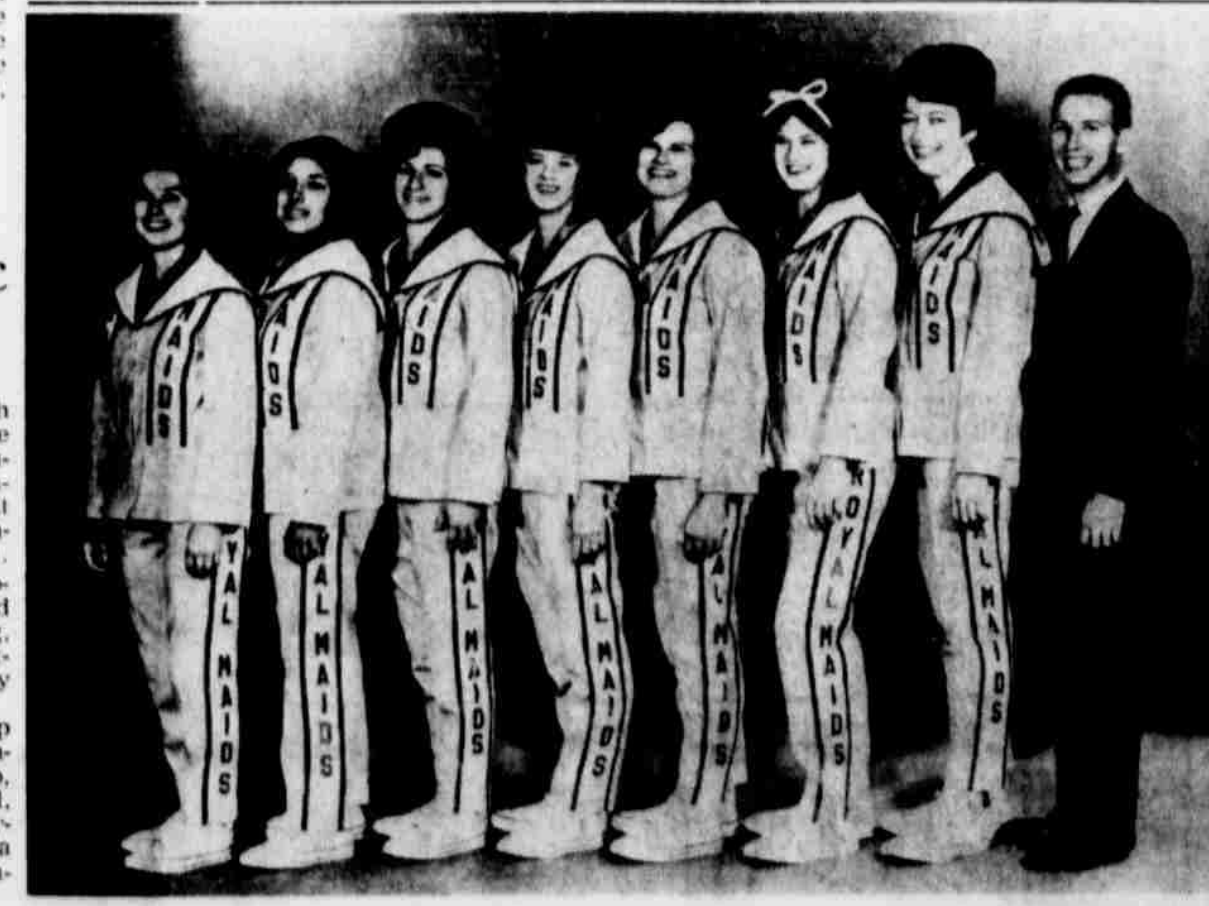
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Plan To Provide Texas With Water For Next 50 Years Is Unveiled

AUSTIN—A sweeping plan to provide Texas with water for the next 50 years was unveiled by the Texas Water Development Board, architects of the Texas Water Plan, in Austin recently.

The Plan, described by Howard B. Boswell, executive director of the Board as "a flexible guide for the development, conservation, management and use of the State's water resources to the year 2020 and beyond," calls for the importation of surplus water from the lower Mississippi River into Texas to augment the State's water resources.

"There is simply not enough water within the borders of Texas to provide the water our growing cities, our expanding industry and our thriving irrigated agriculture will need beyond the end of this century," Boswell said. The State will pass from water surplus to water shortage in the 1990-2000 decade, he added.

The Texas Water Plan provides for 67 proposed or potential dams and reservoirs, having a total storage capacity of 52,123,900 million acre-feet of water (an acre-foot is 325,851 gallons and will cover an acre of land with 12 inches of water), transmission canals and pipelines, pumping stations and power facilities for the movement of 16 million to 17 million acre-feet of interstate and inter-

to Texas and other southwestern and western states from Canada and Alaska.

The major difference between the Plan presented in Austin Tuesday and the preliminary Texas Water Plan presented in mid-1966, Boswell said, is that the Texas Water Plan "serves more people" than did the preliminary Texas Water Plan.

The key to the Texas Water Plan is the Texas Water System, a complex of dams and reservoirs, pipelines and canals, pumping stations and power facilities necessary to manage an imported water supply and the water resources of Texas basins with an interim or long-range surplus, to meet intrabasin needs and to make surplus waters available for movement to areas of deficiency in Texas.

Three divisions—Trans-Texas, Coastal and Eastern—form the System.

Haskell Wins B-Team Meet At Aspermont

The Haskell boys and the Aspermont girls were winners after three days of round-robin play in a 13-team basketball tournament at Aspermont.

Saturday in the boys' play, Haskell defeated the Spur Bulldogs 47-37. Larry Kigore led the Indians with 13 points, and Bruce Callett scored 8 for Spur.

The Roby Lions edged the Aspermont Hornets 35-34 in overtime. Jim Beauchamp scored 22 for Roby, while Frank Taylor and Wendell Dickerson both scored nine for Aspermont.

The Haskell club wound up with a 3-0 record. Roby, Aspermont and Spur all finished the tournament with 1-2 marks. Roby won a coin toss for second, and Aspermont won the coin toss for third.

In girls' play Saturday, Aspermont topped Roby 24-23. Brenda McDowell scoring 12 for Aspermont and Beth Zona hitting 10 for Roby.

Haskell beat Spur 37-32. Gaye Swann scoring 21 for Haskell and Betty Thomason getting 20 for Spur.

Aspermont had a 3-0 tourney record. Roby had 2-1; Haskell, 1-2; and Spur, 0-3.

Rule's Lott Is Class B All Area Choice

Charles Lott, of Rule, has been named to the Abilene-Reporter News Class "B" all-area team.

Lott, a do-everything-man, who ran, passed, caught passes, played defense and kicked extra points, was the Bobcats first pick.

Lott, a senior, is a 155 pound back for the Bobcats.



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
in the LOW RENT DISTRICT

Any tree surgeon who'll go out on a limb is in the Yellow Pages

Rule Winner Of Its Own Tournament

Rule blasted Paint Creek 78-45 for the Rule Basketball Tournament championship at Rule Saturday night.

In the round-robin affair, Jayton finished second, taking a 69-50 win from Rochester.

James Anderson led Rule with 20 points, while Glenn Duddens' 16 paced Paint Creek. Kim Nichols' 21 led the Jayton win.

In the girls' finals, Rochester beat Jayton for the title, 63-57, with Linda Bird scoring 31 points. Kitty Cave scored 37 for Jayton. In the other game, Paint Creek topped Rule, 49-32.

The girls' all-tournament team is Cinda Shirl and Sherry Tibbets (Rochester); Terry Walton (Paint Creek); Renee Murrell and Kitty Cave (Jayton); and Ruby Lewis (Rule).

Named to the boys' team were Jimmy Ballard and Steve Livingood (Paint Creek); Robert Slaughter (Rochester); and Comp Barbee and Anderson (Rule).



MAY YOUR HOLIDAYS BE BRIGHT WITH JOY!

Brazelton Lumber Company
Desmond Dulaney, Mgr. Douglas Bartley



HAPPY HOLIDAYS

At this Holiday Season, we would like to set aside the problems of the business world and turn again to our age-old customs. May we greet you, our friends and patrons, and wish all of you a Wonderful Christmas!

COFIELD'S DEPARTMENT STORE

M SYSTEM

Your FRIENDLY

SUPER MARKETS
HASKELL, TEXAS
"SHOP HERE AND SAVE EVERY DAY"

SPECIALS FOR DECEMBER 27-28-30-31

Diamond Canned Blackeye	No. 300 Can	
PEAS	With Bacon	10¢
Gladiola Cornbread, Biscuit, Pancake	Pkg.	5¢
MIXES		
Wilson's	24 oz. can	59¢
CHILI		
Gladiola	25 lb. bag	\$1.79
FLOUR		

Oak Farms
EGG NOG MIX Quart **39¢**

M-System Half Gal. **BUTTER MILK** 1/2 gal. **39¢**

New Detergent Giant Box **BONUS** **59¢**
(With Free Hand Towel in Every Box)

Maryland Club 1 lb. can **COFFEE** **69¢**
2 lbs.—\$1.38 3 lbs.—\$2.07

Maryland Club 10 oz. jar **INSTANT COFFEE** **\$1.29**

WE WILL BE CLOSED WEDNESDAY JAN. 1, 1969 New Year's Day

Kimbell No. 303 Cans **SPINACH** 6 cans **\$1.00**
Kimbell **BISCUITS** 6 cans **49¢**

Golden Ripe **Bananas** LB. **10¢**
Crisp Iceberg **Lettuce** Large Head **19¢**

Wilson's Thrift **Bacon** 1 lb. pkg. **49¢**
Swift's Honeycup **Mellorine** Half Gallon **39¢**

FOR YOUR NEW YEAR'S DINNER Kimbell's Dry **BLACKEYE PEAS** 1 lb. pkg. **10¢** Dry **SALT JOWL** LB. **15¢**

HAPPY NEW YEAR

SANTA'S HELPERS

...sometimes pictured by rocket or jet... his favorite transportation is still reindeer - drawn... remains a wonder that jolly, when he has to world in one night... nation may be found... of helpers that he... also the fact that... Eye is not the only... evering gifts... als, a real bishop... first "Santa." Many... grow up around his... many centuries after... on December 6, about... he was honored as... the young, December... "Children's Day", and... as, traveling by horse... to reward children... behavior... adinian and some... eries. Santa gets an... St. Lucy, who is re-

sponsible for the distribution of gifts on her day, December 13.

Many Spanish children expect The Three Kings to bring them gifts on Epiphany, January 6. They, too, set out shoes filled with straw and grain for the horses the Kings ride.

Many Helpers

Whatever the gift-giving date, Santa has a host of helpers to lighten his load. In addition to St. Lucy, Scandinavian countries have the Tomtar, little grey bearded men who are said to hide gifts for boys and girls on Christmas Eve. The Christ Child or Kristkind brings the gifts in many countries.

In Italy the traditional gift giver is Befane, sometimes described as a benevolent fairy and sometimes as a witch. Legend says that she misdirected the Magi or that she refused to shelter the Holy Family. Now she goes around the world, in repentance, seeking the Christ Child and doing good to children on Christmas Eve.

Popular Christmas Stollen

For two large loaves you'll need: 1 cup milk, 1/2 cup sugar, 1 tsp. salt, 2 cakes compressed yeast, 5 cups flour, 2 eggs beaten, 1 cup seedless raisins, 3/4 cup butter softened, 1/2 cup citron, 1/2 cup glazed cherries, 1 1/2 tsp. grated lemon rind, 1/4 tsp. nutmeg, 1/4 cup butter, 1/4 cup sugar, 1/2 tsp. cinnamon, confectioner's frosting, nuts and candied fruit for trim.

Scald milk, add 1/2 cup sugar and the salt. Cool to lukewarm. Add crumbled yeast and mix thoroughly. Add one cup of flour and stir until smooth. Cover and let rise until double in bulk. Add the beaten eggs, softened butter, fruit and nutmeg and mix well. Add remainder of flour to make a dough stiff enough to knead. Knead until smooth and elastic. Allow to rise until double. Knead down and divide in two. Roll each half into a circle about 8 inches in diameter. Spread with softened butter and sugar. Make a crease down the center of the dough and fold over. Place in greased loaf pans and let rise until double in bulk. Bake in moderate oven 350 degrees, for 30 to 40 minutes. Frost with confectioner's frosting and sprinkle with nuts or fruit.

Stollen will keep for a week at least. It can be cut in thin slices and toasted or buttered and placed under the broiler until lightly browned.

Outdoor Shrubs For Decoration

Many trees and shrubs, perhaps some in your own yard, produce attractive foliage suitable for holiday decorations. Some can be brought in the home for trim, others can be decorated for outside.

Foliage plants include Magnolia, pine, hemlock, Chinese fir, cryptomeria, pittosporum, and aucuba gold dust.

Popular shrubs include carolberry, snowberry, varieties of roses, such as Rose Multiflora, and American holly is best known, but there are others, such as Yaupon, Deciduous holly, Chinese holly and English holly.

Try decorating any one of these that you have in your yard. Bring some in your house, perhaps an assortment of branches, or brighten up your yard with lights on shrubs.

KEEPING CHRISTMAS

If you are willing to forget what you have done for others and to remember what other people have done for you; to ignore what the world owes you, and to think what you owe the world; to put your rights in the background, and your duties in the middle distance, and your chances to do a little more in the foreground; to close your book of complaints against the universe, and look for a place to sow seeds of happiness—if you are willing to do these things even for a day, then you can keep Christmas.

Believe that the needs and desires of little children are to be considered; and remember the weakness and loneliness of people who are growing old; bear in mind the things that other people have to bear in their hearts. Believe that love is the strongest thing in the world... stronger than hate, stronger than death. You will be keeping Christmas.

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THE FLIGHT INTO EGYPT

And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, "Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him." When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt; that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.

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White Christmas Hosted By The Weinert FHA

The Weinert F.H.A. Chapter hosted a "White Breakfast" Wednesday, December 18th, in the Home Economics Department. Guests included the faculty of the Weinert school and F.H.A. Chapter parents.

Bette Edwards was in charge of the breakfast. Amy Dannam, president, opened the breakfast with the welcome. Mrs. Mary Abbott gave the response, and H. L. Guess offered the invocation.

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Haskell County Cancer Center Holds Social

The Haskell County Cancer Center met Thursday, December 19, for a social session.

Cake, cookies, candies, coffee and tea were served. Several of the staff in the courthouse were guests.

The Center will not meet again until Thursday, January 9th.

Those working during the month of December were Mrs. Alice Mayes, Jim Dean, Earl Daniels, John Thomas, Florence Darden, R. R. Overton, P. C. Spenny, Howard Montgomery, T. W. Jetton, H. Russell, Catherine Terry, C. T. Jones, J. R. Davis, J. B. Edwards, Era Davis.

Christmas Banquet Held By FTA Members

(From The War Whoop)
Since it is the "season to be jolly," the F.T.A. members donned their gay apparel and set out for the Texas Cafe for their annual Christmas banquet Monday of last week. Pam Harris opened the meeting with a Christmas prayer. In an atmosphere of Christmas festivity, the seasonal meal was served by candlelight.

After the meal, continuing in the Christmas spirit, Vivian Buerger read the Christmas story from the Bible. Then Rhonda Woodard gave a beautiful reading entitled "The Seven Ages of Christmas." After the program, Pam Harris presented Mrs. Burkett, the F.T.A. sponsor, with a presentation arrangement. The meeting was adjourned and the members left with spirits bright and gay.

WEEK-END VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Schnuriger, of San Antonio, were weekend visitors in the home of Mr. Herbert Clanton and Betty Clanton and Mr. and Mrs. Buster Shelton. Mrs. Schnuriger was the former Ruby Faye Glenn.

MISS CAROLYN DIANNE RHOADS WED TO ROBERT JAMES JONES



MRS. ROBERT JAMES JONES ... formerly Carolyn Dianne Rhoads

Wedding vows for Carolyn Dianne Rhoads and Robert James Jones were read Saturday afternoon, December 21, at 4:00 o'clock in the First Baptist Church, Haskell.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Rhoads of Haskell, and Mr. and Mrs. James Jones of Rule.

The Reverend Roy Don Rhoads, brother of the bride, and minister of First Baptist Church, Chillicothe, officiated at the ceremony, and the Reverend Wayne Blankenship, brother-in-law of the bride and minister of College Heights Baptist Church, Plainview, read the Love Chapter.

Mrs. Mike Herrington was organist and Mrs. Roy Don Rhoads, sister-in-law of the bride, was soloist and sang "Whither Thou Goest", "We'll

Walk With God", and "The Wedding Prayer".

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a floor-length gown of white peau de soie featuring an empire bodice covered with re-embroidered lace and lace-edged scalloped neckline. The gown had long, tapered sleeves of lace and appliques of lace down the front. The chapel length train edged in scalloped lace and also appliqued with the sequined-trimmed lace, fell from a large butterfly bow of peau de soie at the empire waistline. The elbow-length veil of silk illusion was worn with a crown of roses and petals. A shower of white pom-pom chrysanthemums surrounding an orchid, was carried atop a white Bible. For something old and borrowed, the bride carried a lace handkerchief belonging to the groom's great-grandmother, the late Mrs. K. D. Simmons. For something new, she wore her bridal attire, and the traditional blue garter, and a new penny and a sixpence in her left shoe.

Her attendants wore street-length dresses of aqua lace over aqua taffeta with a bow accenting the front at the empire waistline. Large white cabbage roses held their headdresses of aqua illusion. Each carried a single large white mum and wore a pearl necklace, a gift from the bride.

Mrs. Wayne Blankenship, sister of the bride, of Plainview, was matron of honor and James Jones, father of the groom, was best man. Maid of honor was Debbie Casey of Haskell, and honor groomsman was Bill Baird of Rule.

Bridesmaids were Susan Helweg and Sandra Howard, both of Haskell; Mrs. Curtis Darden, Fort Worth; and Linda Jones, sister of the groom, Rule. Adelia Rhoads, niece of the bride, was flower girl and ring bearers were Renaee Rhoads, niece of the bride, and Wesley Jones, brother of the groom. Lighting candles were Rebekah Jones, sister of the groom, and Patricia Everett, cousin of the groom.

Groomsman were John Pike, Gary Cox, both of Rule; Lyn Williams, Wichita Falls, and Tim Everett, Haskell, cousins of the groom.

James Howard, Sam Stone, of Haskell; Lonnie Childress, Guyton, Okla., cousin of the bride; and Billy Morton, Rule, seated guests.

Following the ceremony, the bride's parents hosted the reception held in the Fellowship Hall of the church. Members of the houseparty were Jan Williams, Corpus Christi; Melinda Wilson, Rule; Janice Casey, Patricia Hilliard, and Mmes. Charlie Childress, Kirby Kirkpatrick, Harry Howard, Orville Darden and Odell Helweg, all of Haskell; and Mrs. Taylor Childress, Guyton, Okla.

The bride is a 1968 graduate of Haskell High School, where she was a member of the National Honor Society, Football Sweetheart her junior year, president of the Future Homemakers of America, and cheerleader for two years. She is a December graduate of Southwest Business College in Plainview.

The groom is a 1968 graduate of Rule High School where he was an active member of Future Farmers of America; was selected F.H.A. Beau and was the recipient of the Haskell Jaycee Scholarship Award. He is presently attending Tarleton State College where he is majoring in agriculture education.

They will reside at 623 North Lillian in Stephenville.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at the Bluebonnet Cafe in Rule Friday evening.

NO DANGEROUS ITEMS

There are some especially hazardous holiday trim. Did you know that even metallic icicles are dangerous to children? If ingested they can cause serious lead poisoning. Also, snow spray contains poisonous propellants if inhaled.

"Values In The Family" Theme Of PTA Meeting

The Haskell Elementary Parent-Teacher Association met Wednesday, December 18, at 1:00 p. m. at the Cafeteria, with Mrs. Wallace Cox, Jr., in charge of the program.

Mrs. Cox introduced Dr. Larry Sarles, Minister of the Presbyterian Church, who spoke of the group on "Values In The Family."

A singing skit was presented by the Singing Six, with Mrs.

'HA Holds Christmas Party

(From The War Whoop)
On Monday, December 9, Linda Steele called the monthly meeting of the Future Homemakers of America to order. Linda announced that Scott McDonald was the F.H.A. beau. She also mentioned that the girls for the Abilene State School had been sent off, and thanked the girls for their thoughtfulness.

Patricia Tolliver, Judy Therman and Cora Feemster gave Christmas readings with Vivian Buerger reading the story of Christmas from the Bible.

The meeting was adjourned to the living room where punch and cookies were served and Christmas carols were sung.

CLAIMING MARRIED STUDENTS

If your son or daughter is going to school during the year, but was also married and depending on you for his or her—or his and her—support, you need to observe several rules in order to claim the exemption on your return. Don't let the married students file a joint return on their income, (if any). Since they must file separate returns, they will have to split their income and each file on their community half. You must have provided principal support for one or both married students in order to claim the dependent or the dependents. Be careful to maintain your support records on married student dependents and/or their dependents. They can also claim, and must claim, personal exemption on their own return, however, they cannot claim any grandchildren if you claim them.

RETURN FROM AMARILLO

Jake Prince and Kenneth Gibbs, of Haskell, returned home Sunday from Amarillo where they visited in the home of Mrs. Robert Beene. Mrs. Beene's mother is seriously ill in an Amarillo Hospital.

PLANT HOLLY

Holly can be grown in any sunny spot. Although a slow growing tree, a Holly will produce ample Christmas trim in a few years. Holly likes well-drained soils and should never be planted closer than 15 feet from a house.

USE TREE

Erect the tree in the backyard after Christmas and convert it into a bird feeder. Pieces of suet, popcorn, peanut butter, and all other morsels of food are tied to the outer branches. Do keep a pan of water nearby for birds must have water as well as food.

Clinton Kimbrough, director, in honor of Dr. Sarles during the business session, "Singing Six" Mrs. James Mickle won the "room count" the membership voted to donate \$10.00 to the Goodfellow Fund.

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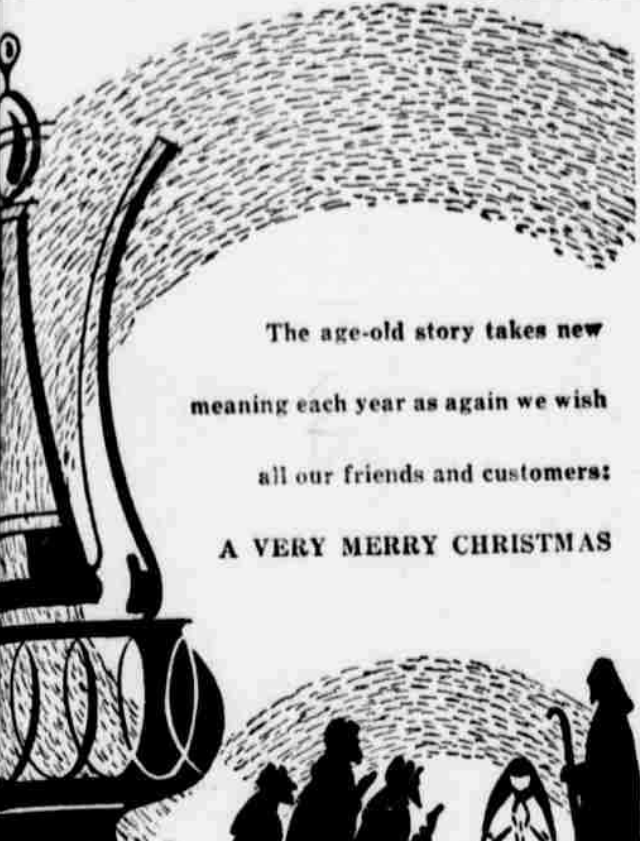
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Evergreens, symbolic of eternal life, have long been used for decorating at Yuletide. Teutonic peoples believed that certain greens would frighten certain evil spirits away. The Saxons hung holly, ivy, rosemary, or laurel in their homes and churches. In the great manor houses, walls, pillars, and windows were adorned with branches of greens. A bunch of mistletoe hung from the door or ceiling. Each time a man stole a kiss under it he had to pluck a berry from the bough.

It is said that early Roman enemies made up their quarrels when they met under the mistletoe; this is believed to be the origin of kissing under the green. This plant was not used in churches (because of its association with the pagan Druid ceremonials). There was one exception to this — at York Minster — where a bunch was laid on the high altar "with a benediction for peace and good will". As early as 1444, greenery was used on the streets of London as Christmas decorations, and the custom grew through the years. Holly has long been a favorite holiday green. There are several legends connected with it. One is that Christ's crown of thorns was made of holly. Some say that the idea of making holly wreaths came from His Crown, as the berries resembled drops of blood. Today holly wreaths, with their glistening green leaves and contrasting berries, are among our most distinctive holiday decorations.



It was the night of Christ's birth in Bethlehem. Outside the stable of the inn where the Holy Family had taken shelter for the night, a group of people had gathered. Among these were the shepherds who had come to worship the Babe. All of them were bearing gifts for the Child.

There was a young girl in the gathering. She joined the group to find out what had brought them here. When she heard their story and knew that the young child born this night had been called the Saviour, she too wanted to go in and worship.

But she had no gift to offer, and tears of disappointment fell from her eyes. As her tears touched the ground, at that place there sprang up a bush and on it was the most beautiful white blossom she had ever seen! She plucked it happily and reverently offered her gift to the Christ Child.

According to the legend, it was in that way, the Christmas Rose came into being.

COLONIAL CHRISTMAS
Little is recorded in the histories of Christmas in Colonial Times. This is because the history is more often concerned with wars and politics. The colonists in Virginia, Maryland, and Georgia brought over the English customs whereas in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware, the customs came from Holland, Sweden and Germany. The Quakers near Philadelphia did not observe holidays, and in New England, the whole idea of Christmas was frowned upon.

CHRISTMAS COOKIES

Some cookies are for Santa, of course. Others are for holiday nibbling and snacks, the quantity of which is probably without equal.

Some of the special joy of Christmas can be traced to the kitchen. This would not be as festive an occasion without the fragrance of holiday cookies or the happy hustle of getting them ready.

Put some cookies aside for carolers and tree trimmers. Decorate some with ready made icings as well as colorful sugars.

The following is an especially good sugar cookie for eating and decorating.

4 cups sifted enriched flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 3/4 teaspoon salt, 2 teaspoons nutmeg, 1 cup lard, 1 3/4 cups sugar, 2 eggs beaten, 1 teaspoon vanilla and 2 tablespoons milk. Form the dough in a ball and chill 3 to 4 hours. Roll on floured board to 1/8 inch thick. Cut with various shaped cookie cutters, bake on a greased cookie sheet. These are really good—Do shake some plain white sugar over some of them...yummy.

NAMING CHRISTMAS

Christmas means both prayerful worship and festive merry-making. The holy meaning of the day is expressed in its name.

The Latin name for Christmas translates as the Feast or Birthday of Our Lord. The English Christmas means the Mass of Christ, a meaning which is closely paralleled by the Dutch "Kermis". In Germany it's "Weihnacht", or sacred night.

MINCE PIE

A holiday tradition when it was "minced" meat and not a dessert it's a must for holidays to have Christmas pie.

2 cups prepared mince-meat or one 9-oz. pkg.
2 cups thinly sliced pared tart apples
1/2 teaspoon grated lemon rind
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 recipe plain pastry
Combine prepared mince-meat with apples, lemon peel and lemon juice. Line 8-inch pie plate with pastry; pour in filling. Cut design or use a fork on upper crust. Sprinkle with sugar, and bake in hot oven (400 degrees) about 35 minutes. This pie is delicious served warm.

IN GERMANY

The children in Germany begin the Christmas season with the hanging of a calander. The calander shows a painted house. Doors and windows of the house often hide pieces of candy.

LARGEST LIGHTED TREE

It is believed that a tree in California's Redwood Forest stands 364 feet tall. This tree was first decorated and lighted in December, 1945.

SPRUCE OR FIR?

If you plan to keep a tree for just a few days, the Norway spruce is very well shaped, has good color and is perhaps your best buy. Its one failing is that it sheds its needles rather quickly.

Any of the long needle pines such as the balsam fir and douglas fir, last much longer but are more expensive. Select the tree that has pyramidal shape, branches that come well down to the base, and with abundant foliage.

Story of Wreathes And Advent Candles

A native Christian in New Guinea described Advent thus: "At advent we should try the key to our heart's door. It may have gathered rust. If so, this is the time to oil it, in order that the heart's door may open more easily when the Lord Jesus wants to enter at Christmas time."

The four Sundays preceding Christmas are observed as Advent Sundays in many churches, with a special emphasis on the Advent, or coming, of the Lord. To remind people of this season several interesting and helpful devices have come into being. The Advent House, generally made of cardboard is so constructed as to make it possible to open a window each day of the Advent weeks and find back of it an appropriate Scripture verse.

Slightly more elaborate and proportionately more beautiful is the Advent wreath, which is hung at a convenient place and receives a red candle each Advent Sunday and a larger one on Christmas.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

The volume of Christmas cards we mail today amounts to an estimated 150 million dollars. In addition to that, the mailing amounts to about 50 million.

PASSAGE FROM HAMLET

... the crowing of the cock. Some say that ever 'gainst that season wherein our Saviour's birth is celebrated. The bird of dawn singeth all night long; And then, they say, no spirit dare stir abroad; The nights are wholesome; then no planets strike; No fairy takes, no witch hath power to charm, So hallow'd and so gracious is time.

SAINT NICK ... GOOD OR BAD?

In December every year parents are faced with the problem of what to do or what to say about Santa Claus. Some of our educators say that the Santa theory is all wrong and some of today's "modern" parents seem to agree.

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Santa is good for small children, for children have imaginative minds. The fact they might see a Santa on every corner matters little. In their eyes Santa is a symbol, a mystery, and in his wondrous magic is apt to appear anywhere.

It is not the end of the world when the time comes that some older child shatters the illusion by telling all. This is the perfect opportunity for the parent to explain that Santa is, after all, a spirit of Christmas. He represents the spirit of giving and the reason that we give at Christmastime is because this

GETS NOT TRADITION

In early times, even Christianity, pagan followers exchanged gifts at the New Year. At first the gifts were collected by priests and distributed to the poor. The exchange of Christmas presents is not a tradition of modern vintage. With Christianity's exchange of gifts was changed to Christmas.



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The smallest gift will look impressive in a gaily wrapped package. Use shelf paper, scraps of material or odd ends of wallpaper. To tie your package use strips of cloth cut in

ribbon widths with pinking shears, or bright colored yarns. Pack your gifts in unusual containers—such as flower pots, small basket, decorated oatmeal boxes, coffee cans or paper plates with bright seals.

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa,
My name is Sammy Franklin and I have two sisters, Julie 7, and Ola 5. I am four years old. Please bring me a fire truck, a pick-up and trailer, some animals and barn, and a rocket. Ola wants you to bring a doll house with all the furniture in it and the "tippy toes" doll. Julie wants you to bring a bicycle and a skating doll, and please bring clothes and a bed for her dolls.
We love you, Santa,
Sammy, Julie and Ola

Dear Santa,
We are two little boys, Ronnie 6 and Mark 4. We have tried to be good the year round. We would both like some Indian moccasins, football helmets, and a speedometer. And one more thing, a Tonka truck that holds cars. Please remember all the other boys and girls.
Love,
Ronnie and Mark Bailey

Dear Santa,
My name is Robert Alan and I am 2 years old. I try real hard to be good. Please bring me a football helmet, boots and lots of candy. Please remember my big sister, Cindy Ivey. She is 9 years old and I love her. She wants an organ. Don't forget all the other children.
Love you, Santa,
Robert Alan Ivey
704 North 13th

Dear Santa:
I have tried very hard to be a good boy. So would you please look over some of my meanness and bring me a Tiny Record Player and some records. And Rudy the Robot, and Johnny the Toy Maker. Also I wish for you to bring my brother, Roy Don, something nice and don't forget my sister, Judy Beth. And Santa please bring all the little children something who are sick with the flu.
I will be very good,
Billy Oliphant
806 N. 10th
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa:
First I want to thank you for such a wonderful Christmas last year. All of my brothers and sisters were home except one sister. I think it was the best Christmas I ever had.
All I want this year, for Christmas is to have every member of my family home. I want to say I love all my sister-in-laws and brother-in-laws and appreciate them so much.
Thank you,
Mrs. Dudley Phelps

ABOUT MISTLETOE
Mistletoe traditions are said to have begun with the ancient Druids. They attributed great power to the plant. It was supposed to prevent disease and keep away witches, as well as encourage fertility and good luck.
Mistletoe means "all heal."

Arbor Day Program Kits Still Available

Arbor Day Program Kits are still available to all public and parochial schools in Texas. Arbor Day is January 17, 1969.
The Texas Forest Service, a part of the Texas A&M University System, is making the program kits available, free on request, in the hope that every school will observe Arbor Day.
Each kit contains two high-quality pecan nuts, instructions for planting, and a suggested Arbor Day program. Program materials in each kit include poems, songs, and information about Arbor Day and trees, suitable for school programs.
A limited number of kits are still available and requests are being filled on a first-come, first-served basis.
Address all requests for Arbor Day Program Kits to the Texas Forest Service, College Station, Texas 77843.

Bethlehem Busy At Christmas Time

Since the first Christmas, Christians have followed the Star to the stable-grotto beneath the Church of the Nativity, the traditional birthplace of Jesus of Bethlehem.
Bethlehem is even poorer than most people would believe. A recent visitor said "Wanderers fill the streets—anyone can see why Mary and Joseph found no room in the Inn."
Every Christmas, shepherds watching their flocks outside Bethlehem, had to be especially watchful that the sheep did not trap themselves in the barbed wire separating Jordan and Israel. Bethlehem, on the Jordan side of the wire, has been sorely affected by the hostility and the uneasy truce. It is crowded with Arab refugees who formerly lived in Israel.
The effect of the conflict has been crippling of Bethlehem's chief industry: the making and selling of objects of piety from olive wood, Dead Sea stone and mother of pearl. Except at Christmas, pilgrims are so few that the profit had gone from the business.
On Christmas eve, however, the dusty city takes on new life. Christmas diplomats living in divided Jerusalem expect to be escorted to the little town over the unusual highway through no-man's land. Pilgrims from the Israel side pass through the Mandelbaum Gate.
Rich and poor pilgrims worship together in the fourth century Church of the Nativity. There is a high mass, during which the image of the Christ Child is carried from the church through the Mandelbaum Gate.
The ceremonies come to a climax before three adjacent shrines. The Altars of the Nativity, The Wise Men and the Manger. Outside, Christians from many lands will sing, as angels sang nearly 2,000 years ago, "Glory to God in the Highest," and on earth peace and good will toward men.

CHRISTMAS RIDE
To most boys and girls, "jingle all the way" refers to sleigh bells and a one-horse open sleigh; but for Hanover, New Hampshire youngsters, bells at Christmas time mean only one thing: the clanging of the fire bell for the annual Children's Fire Engine Ride! This happens each Christmas when the local fire fighters step into the role of Santa Claus and give the town youngsters a holiday treat: a ride through the streets of Hanover in a shiny red fire engine! Youngsters of all ages line up in front of their schools and pile into the fire trucks. (Children that are too young to hang on ride at the head of the procession in the Fire Chief's car). More than five hundred boys and girls ride as the fire engines "race" (at 5 miles per hour) through the town as bells ring and sirens screech.
Back at the fire station the children line up for a visit with Santa Claus, who stands next to the shiny fire pole with a bag of candy and a toy for each boy and girl. When he asks them the perennial question "What do you want from Santa Claus for Christmas?" the answer is almost always: "I want a fire engine!"

QUICK CANDY
You will find that candies are always a welcome gift. The quickest and easiest, as well as healthful are those made from dried fruits. Nuts can be ground with the fruit if you like. Mix well and moisten with fruit juices or condensed milk. If needed, shape into balls or roll out onto a sheet, then cut in squares or fancy shapes. Dip each piece in granulated or powdered sugar, ground toasted coconut, nuts, or melted chocolate.

Market Active And Strong Here Last Saturday

The market at Haskell was active and strong on all classes and stronger on large feeder cattle at their sale Saturday.
Receipts on cattle were 542: hogs 62, top on hogs 18.50, bulk of butcher hogs 18-18.50, sows 14-16, feeder shoats 15-17.
Quotations follow:
Bulls: Bologna 21-23, light 24-29.
Butcher cows: fat, 16-18, canner and cutter 14-16, old shells down to \$9.
Butcher calves and yearlings: choice 26-28, good 24-26, standard 20-24, rannies 18-20.
Feeder steer yearlings: choice 26-28, good 24-26, common-medium 20-24.
Feeder heifer yearlings: choice 24-26, good 22-24, common-medium 20-22.
Stocker steer yearlings: good and choice 27-28.50, common-medium 24-27.
Stocker heifer yearlings: good medium 20-23.
Stocker steer calves: choice 30-32, good 28-30, common-medium 22-28.
Stocker heifer calves: choice, 26-28, good 24-26, common-me-

dium 20-24.
Cows and calves by the pair: choice \$200-\$235, good \$180-\$200 plain \$140-\$180.
Springers: by the pair, \$140-\$160; by weight, 17-19 per hundred.
An auction will be held Dec. 28 beginning at 11 a. m.

Christmas Card History Is Cloudy

It is generally believed that the first card designed as a Christmas greeting was done in England by J. Horsley in 1843. Actually the search for the "first" is still going on. Although it bore no specific greeting, the New York Historical Society, some 30 years before the Horsley card, sent to members and friends of the society a woodcut of ST. NICHOLAS, which bore a Christmas poem in both Dutch and English.
In 1832 Carl W. Drepper discovered in a Pennsylvania attic a "Beadsheet" issued about 1842 by John M. Welf, a Philadelphia printer. The sheet featured a reproduction of C. C. Moore's "The visit of St. Nicholas" and carried a greeting "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."
The first commercial Christmas card business was in 1863 by an English firm.



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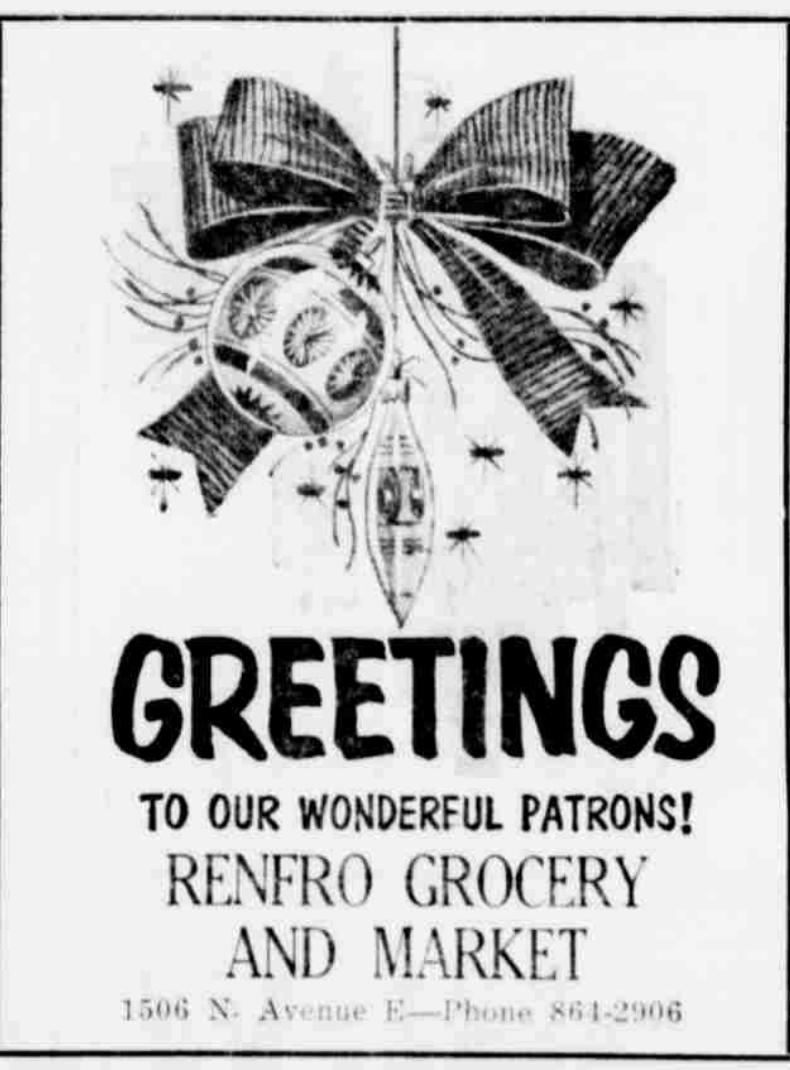
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FURNITURE & APPLIANCES

1969 repossessed Singer sewing machine, zig-zag, fancy stitches, button holes, monograms, \$8.00 month, unpaid balance \$42.00. Write Credit Manager, Box 1292, Abilene, Texas. 45-52p

1968 REPOSSESSED Singer, makes buttonholes, sews on buttons, fancy stitches, guaranteed. \$46.75 or \$8.00 month. Write Credit Mgr., Box 1292, Abilene, Texas. 45-52p

FOR SALE: Just traded for nylon and brown plastic reclining chair, small size, \$34.95; also used French Provincial three-cushion sofa in dark fruitwood trim for only \$49.95. Jones-Cox & Co. 51-52c

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Mistletoe Once Symbol of Evil

The mistletoe, once a symbol of death, later became to be considered as a magical medicine, is now a universal symbol of love and peace. A mistletoe arrow, according to Norse mythology, that Loki killed Balder, the sun god, after Balder's mother had obtained a promise from all living things, other than the mistletoe, that they would not harm him. Balder was restored to life and it was ruled by the gods that the mistletoe would never again be used to do harm. Ancient Europeans considered the mistletoe a magical medicine. They carried it about with them for health and luck, and believed it a cure for ulcers and epilepsy as well as charm promoting fertility. The custom today of giving a kiss of love or peace beneath the mistletoe, although a relatively modern one, is derived from the fact that down through the centuries the mistletoe has been recognized throughout the whole world as a symbol of lasting peace.

CARD OF THANKS

We want to express our sincere appreciation to the nurses and entire hospital staff for their care and kindness, also the many other people who helped in any way or sent cards, letters, and flowers while I was confined to the Haskell Memorial Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. John Patterson. 52p

HOSPITAL NOTES

Rule:
 A. B. Arnett, medical
 Horace L. Martin, medical
 John Behringer, medical
 Haskell:
 Thomas B. Robison, medical
 Tom Riley, medical
 M. W. Lees, medical
 Dewayne Meier, medical
 Earl Roberts, surgical
 Minnie Harrell, medical
 C'Brien:
 Concepcion Catano, medical
 Meikel:
 D. O. Toliver, medical
 Recheater:
 Lee Landel, medical
 Aspermont:
 Joseph Lane, medical
 Dismissed
 Oscar Gipson, J. L. Hendrix, John Patterson, Michael Campbell, of Haskell.
 Della Tankersley, Mrs. J. M. New, Mrs. Rina Bills, of Rule. Mrs. Molly Welborn, of Richardson.
 Mrs. Ewburn Ellison, of Aspermont.
 Julia Aleala, of Goree.

Grandson of Rule Couple Killed In Vietnam

Army Specialist Fourth Class Grady R. Nelson, 22, husband of Julie A. Nelson of Coos Bay, Oregon, and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Grissom, of Rule, and nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Andrews, also of Rule, was killed in action in Vietnam November 23. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nelson, Olive Barber Road, Coos Bay.
 Nelson was sent to Vietnam September 10th this year, and he was serving with Company C, First Battalion, 25th Infantry Division near Saigon, according to his family. The body was sent home December 10th and funeral services were held in Coos Bay.
 Born in Memphis, Texas young Nelson was attending Marshfield High School at the time he enlisted in the Army January 29th, 1964.
 In addition to his wife and parents, he is survived by a infant son, Lonnie Ray, born in Coos Bay. He is also survived by a brother, Carl, in the U. S. Navy in Florida, and two sisters, Mrs. Don Smith and Mrs. Archie Wilson, of Coos Bay.

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.

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 SAT—27-28
 FEATURES
 Study's
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 To See!

SONEY KATHARINE
 POTIER HEPBURN
 RE HOUGHTON
 Guess who's
 going to dinner
 IN COLOR
 THIS HIT

PETER CUSHING
ERROR
 Starts Sunday 29th
 Between Ellen
 and Jill
 came Paul.
 DENNIS KEIR DULLEA
 HEYWOOD
FOX
 HOURS—JAN 1-2
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LYLES JEWELRY

Rice Springs Care Home Celebrates Christmas With Gala Festive Affair

The Rice Springs Care Home celebrated Christmas with a gala and festive affair, December 23, at 2:30 p. m., honoring patients and guests and nurses of the Home.

A giant Christmas tree all aglow, with lights and tinsels, stood in the large dining area surrounded with many gifts all wrapped in glistening paper to bring joy to the hearts of the patients and friends.

Sue Lewis, of Rule, furnished the lovely holiday music at the piano, making cheer while patients and friends assembled around the tree, waiting for Santa Claus who was played by Bob Connel, Church of Christ minister.

Mrs. Bob Connel assisted by Ruth Ann Kluse led the group in singing Christmas Carols, while all waited expectantly the coming of Santa who arrived on the tune of "Here Comes Santa Claus."

Everyone greeted him with a hearty hello. It was a very busy time for him, as there were so many gifts, so he was assisted in handing out the presents by some of the Pink Ladies. Messdames E. L. Wyche, Marvin Pheaster, J. F. Cadenhead, Sr., Miss Velda Carter and two of the Candy Strippers, Misses Gail Barnett and Judy Blair.

Everyone had a Merry Christmas and declared it was the nicest time of the year. Mrs. W. C. Johnston, assisted by the nurses, served punch, coffee and cookies to the many patients and guests.

BUSINESS MEETING

The Pink Ladies held a short business meeting prior to the party. The president, Mrs. Wyche, presided at the session and minutes of the last meeting were read and the treasurer's report was given.

The Candy Strippers, assisted by Mrs. Wyche, had a very profitable candy sale on the courthouse square, Saturday, December 21st, making it possible to furnish the hospital with the drapes as planned. It was decided to have the January Auxiliary meeting in Rule, with Miss Velda Carter as hostess.

FOR CARDS

Plunge several evergreen branches into a large flower pot. Paint a clay pot bright red or green. You can display your Christmas cards on the branches by taping or clipping them on.

Haskell Slips By Anson In District Tilt

The Haskell Indians evened their District 7-AA record at 1-1 here last Thursday night as they squeezed out a 56-53 victory over the Anson Tigers.

Haskell held on for the victory despite a last quarter rally in which Anson outscored the winners 17-12.

Gary Felker led the winners with 17 points, and Charles Franklin had 11. Razor's 15 and Faulks' 12 were high for Anson.

Anson won the "B" game 40-29.

Mary McCaleb's 33 points paced the Anson girls to a 48-34 win.

THE YULE LOG

The Yule log is an old and honored Christmas tradition. It has almost vanished from our holiday celebration.

The Vikings introduced the yule log to Great Britain. They burned it to honor the God Thor. The custom was adopted by

the English as part of the Christmas festivities.

The very best log that could be found was brought into the house and placed in their large fireplace. The fire was lit and the servants of the house gathered with their master. The coming of Christmas was celebrated with much singing and celebrating.

The custom of those days was to celebrate the holiday season

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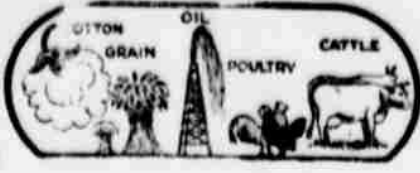
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SECTION TWO

THE HASKELL FREE PRESS



HASKELL, TEXAS 79521, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1968

NUMBER FIFTY-TWO

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa Claus,
Would you please bring me for Christmas a Baby Tubsy, a pair of roller skates, a set of dishes, and fruits, candy and nuts. I am six years old, and I have been a good girl this year. Please do not forget the other boys and girls.
Love,
Tammy Timberlake

Dear Santa,
My name is Deborah. I am 5 years old. Please bring me a walking doll, dish's, piano, dresser set, walkie-talkie and the game Ka-boom. I live in Denver, Colorado but will be at Daddy Jacks and Grandma Sanders for Christmas. I love you very much.
Love, Deborah Cox

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been very good this year. I am in the third grade now. I want a radio car set, and a lost in space robot, and two walkie talkies, and anything else you want me to have. Don't forget my big brother, Scotty. He is in college now.
Love, Tim Griffin
Seymour, Texas

Dear Santa,
My name is Jeff Frierson. I have three brothers and we are all looking for you at Christmas. I would like an erector set, a change over for my bicycle and some local blocks.
We would like a coconut and a big peppermint stick. Thank you and Merry Christmas.
Love, Jeff

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine and looking forward to riding in your sleigh with you, Dec. 7th. Santa this year, please bring me a "baby giggles" baby doll, a new Bible, a pair rubber boots, a rain coat, birthstone ring, and necklace set, a walking wind-up character from Jungle Book, a toboggan and some candy and fruits and nuts... Oh yes, and a rocking chair, too. Thank you.
Karla Denise Brothers,
Age 4 going on 5 Jan. 8th,
Box 532
Rule, Texas

P. S. Please bring Mommie and Daddy a color T.V. for Sandra and me to watch. Thanks again.

Dear Santa,
I am 4 yrs. old. I have tried to be good. So would you please bring me a Buzz Bike, guns, talking telephone, clothes, and anything else that you think I like? Please remember my little cousin, Denise.
Thanks,
Michael Shawn Griggs

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a big girl 9 years old. And I have been a good girl, my grandma says. Please bring me a easy bake oven. Don't forget my sister, Cheryl. Thank you and remember I love you.
Regenia Conner

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a green bicycle for Christmas. I have tried to be a good boy. Don't forget my three brothers, Nathan, Jeff and Randel. Bring us some nuts, fruit and candy.
Love,
Gary Frierson

Dear Santa,
After riding the sleigh with you we almost didn't write. Since you wouldn't listen to us on the sleigh ride we thought we might write and maybe you will bring us something. We have been good boys too. Would you please bring us fruit, nuts and toys. Lonnie Alan wants a roadgrader, Jonnie would like a great big truck, Monnie wants a roadgrader set, Vonnice wants you to bring him an Electric Football set. Donnie wants a Johnny Toy Maker. Ronnie hasn't decided what he wants yet but if you can think of something real good, please bring it for him. Please don't forget the rest of the boys and girls. We like Sonja and Barry Tidrow our cousins, real well so don't forget them.
Thank you,
The Hise Boys
1406 North Ave. K

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 4 years old. My name is Steven Turnbow. My mother says I have been a pretty good little boy and she ought to know, so would you please bring me a little red fire truck that I can ride and a big red wagon to pull behind my tractor and a blackboard and a Doctor Kit and a gas pump and some candy and nuts for my stocking, and Santa don't forget my big sister, Connie. She has been good too. I think she would like to have a go-go watch. I sure hope you come to see me, Santa, cause I love you.
Your friend,
Steven Turnbow
1101 North Ave. K

Dear Santa,
My name is Earl and I'm 2 years old. I've been an awfully good little guy all year. Would you please bring me some big trucks, some guns, and a police car? Bring my big sister something nice, also my two Grandmas and Grandpas. Don't forget all the other boys and girls that have been nice. See you Christmas!
Love,
Earl Scheets, Jr.
Rawlins, Wyoming

Dear Santa Clause,
I am a little boy 7 years old and I have been good.
Please bring me a bicycle, Coke machine and Walkie-Talkies.
Thank you,
Timmy Leek
105 North 4th

Dear Santa,
We have been pretty good this year and we don't want you to bring us any toys or things like that. All we want is for you to stop at Haskell, Texas, first pick up Uncle Ed, Aunt Gene and Judy Jeter and put them under our tree for our Christmas. We don't think they would take up too much room in your sleigh and we would love to have them at our house Christmas.
Merry Christmas,
Jeffrey, Philip and Phyllis
Jeter, 1538 Grant Ridge Lane,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Santa,
My name is Connie and I am 5 years old. I have been a very sweet little girl all year. Would you please bring me a doll house with the furniture and a doll buggy? Don't forget my little brother, Earl, and all the other nice boys and girls. Be sure and go see my two Grandmas and Grandpas.
See Christmas!
Love, Connie Scheets
Rawlins, Wyoming

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 1 year old. I would like a stuffed animal, a jack-in-the-box and a creative coaster for Christmas. I will be at my Aunt Nancy's in Midland this year for Christmas. Please don't forget my other cousins who will be there also. Thank you, Santa.
Love, Kevin Mathis,
Age: 1 year
Rule, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
I have tried to be a good little boy this year. I would like a car, a truck, a road grader, a talking telephone and a horse for Christmas. Please don't forget my little cousin, Kevin, who lives in Rule and my cousins, James, Randy and Suzanne in Midland. Thank you, Santa Claus.
Love, Ricky Dammann,
Age 3 years
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy 3 years old. I have tried to be a good little boy this year. I would like a car, a truck, a road grader, a talking telephone and a horse for Christmas. Please don't forget my little cousin, Kevin, who lives in Rule and my cousins, James, Randy and Suzanne in Midland. Thank you, Santa Claus.
Love, Ricky Dammann,
Age 3 years
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa,
In our order last week we asked for three cap-pistols, ice one doll.
Please strike off the doll and add another cap-pistol.
Marge and Hubert Bell.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Little Charmer, a set of match box cars, and a mini dragon thing-maker. My birthday is December 25.
Love, Linda Yates
Weinert, Texas

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Della Medford

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Love,
Renae McBroom

Dear Santa,
They say you know who's been naughty or nice. But, if you'll bring me a guitar, toy truck with a horse trailer, and a road grader, I'll try harder next year to be nice.
Remember all the other kids.
Love, Barry Tidrow
605 N Ave. L

Dear Santa Claus,
I've been a good girl most of the time, so would you please bring me an electric range, ice box, a baby that I can bathe and cake mixes so I can bake Daddy some cakes. I'm 3 years old.
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Love, Cristl Gues
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CHRISTMAS DAY 1968

The magic of the Christmas season is laying its hold upon the land. On city streets silver bells ring, calling on us to give help to those less fortunate. The tinsel, the lights and decorations, the holly wreaths are up and millions of children across the land know that Santa Claus is coming to town. They hope he will in some mysterious way visit their home in the shimmering silence of the night before Christmas.

This is a time for children, and it is a time too for all men and women in all lands to remember the wonder of the Lord's birth on the first Christmas nearly 2,000 years ago. It is the power of this happening that puts magic in the season and lends the light of hope and understanding to all the world's people.

Let this Christmas be for the children... may it bring them the warmth of a fire, the smell of a tree, the excitement of waiting for Santa's visit. Let it bring visions of sugar plums on Christmas Eve, and above all as the hour approaches, let it bring the warmth of knowing that the Babe born in Bethlehem so long ago is very close to us all this night.

HASKELL COUNTY HISTORY

30 YEARS AGO

(December 30, 1938) Sheriff-elect Olen Dotson, who will assume his duties as chief of the county's law enforcement department at the beginning of the new year, will again be in familiar surroundings with a background of experience as a peace officer, having served as deputy sheriff for several years under the administration of W. T. Sorrels.

Haskell county's chief administrative official after January 1st will be J. C. Davis Jr., well known Haskell County attorney and member of a prominent pioneer family of Haskell county, who was elected County Judge, in his first bid for public office. For the past several years he has been a member of the local law firm of Davis & Davis.

When the Texas A&M College Athletic Council recently approved the recommendations of the coaches and awarded 31 varsity football letters, three cross country minor sports letters and 24 freshman football numerals, a new all-time football letter record was set. Local and nearby athletes who received athletic awards included Odell (Butch) Herman, Abilene; and John (Big John) Kimbrough, the Haskell Hurricane both fullbacks, who each received his first varsity letter. Herman won a freshman grid letter last year but Kimbrough was held back by non-grid injuries and did not get his numeral. Many selections picked "Big John" for all Conference second team and he received mention in Collier's All-American selections. Opposing coaches rate him as one of the best backfield prospects in recent years and say he will be an All-American player in his next two years. Both boys are sophomores this year.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Wilfong and sons, accompanied by David Ballard, spent Sunday in El Reno, Oklahoma, with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hunter and son, Hassell, spent Christmas in Big Spring.

Misses Hassie Davis and Clara Cliff, teachers in the Dallas Public Schools, are spending the Christmas holidays with their parents.

40 YEARS AGO

(December 27, 1928) Christmas baskets for the needy families of Haskell will be distributed Monday through plans which have been worked out jointly by the Lions Club, Elks Club and the local Fire Department. These three organizations have pooled their funds

for this purpose, in order to better carry out the distribution this year.

Clay Kimbrough, one of the most widely known turkey raisers of this section, has recently received a fine gobbler from A. D. Walker of Memphis, Mo. Mr. Kimbrough now has some of the best turkeys in this section of the state, and believes in breeding up his stock to the highest standard. He has just returned from Midlothian, Dallas, Granger and Denton, where he inspected flocks, and methods of raising turkeys.

The Post School is one of the leading three teacher schools in Haskell County. It has a modern frame building equipped with modern appliances.

The Gauntt School District voted \$3,000 worth of bonds for the purpose of erecting another room to their school building, and next term of school they will employ three teachers.

The Free Press received a card from G. F. Atchison, who is spending the winter in Corpus Christi, stating that he was doing nicely. He is ready to begin his fishing and says they are biting fine. He is reading the Free Press each week and getting the news from home.

J. A. Mapes of the Roberts community passed through the city, Friday, enroute to Fort Worth where he expects to spend Christmas with relatives including a sister, Mrs. Stephenson.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers State Bank of Haskell, Texas, will be held in the offices of the bank at 2:00 p. m., on the second Tuesday in January, 1929, the same being the 8th day of the same month to elect a board of directors and transact other business matters.

60 YEARS AGO

(December 26, 1908) The December 26, 1908 edition of the Haskell Free Press is missing from our files. The column will be resumed January 2, 1969.

LETTERS TO SANTA

Hello, Santa Claus, I'll be visiting in Texas for Christmas again this year. Please fill my stocking with candy and leave me a Spirograph, Super City, Ka-Boom, Walkie-Talkie, a drum and a typewriter. Please remember all my cousins, especially my two new ones, Shawna and Brandi.

Thank you, BRETT Brett Gibson Fairmont, Minnesota

Dear Santa Claus, I am six years old and have tried to be a good girl all year. Will you please bring me a Big Sister Giggles doll. We'll be leaving you something to eat Christmas Eve, probably some milk and cookies.

Please don't forget to fill up my stocking. Love, Kim Lane

Dear Santa, There are three girls at my house and that can sometimes be pretty rough on a two-year-old boy like me. I would dearly love to have some "boy toys" - maybe some balls and a truck. Or something to ride on might not be bad. Thanks a lot. Love, Shawn Lane

Dear Santa Claus, I am five years old. Would you please bring me a Mrs. Beasley doll like the one on television. Any other surprises you have will be OK. Oh, by the way, I've tried to be a good girl. Love, Klersta Lane

Dear Santa, I am a little boy four years old. I would like for you to bring me a motorcycle, race car, gun and holster. Don't forget all the other. Johnny Lacey

Dear Santa, Please bring me a rifle, a truck, tool set and some clothes. Oh, yes, Santa, don't forget all the other little boys and girls. Rodney Dale Lacey

Dear Santa, Please bring me a rifle, a train set, race car set, also Santa, don't forget my little brother. His name is Ronald. Bring him some things, too. Randy Joe Campbell

Dear Santa, I am nearly two years old. I don't want much yet. Just bring me a tricycle and a few little toys that you can pull around the house. Lewis Don Lacey

Dear Santa Claus, Thanks a lot for the nice things you brought me last Christmas. The thing I want this year is a doll in a pink dress. It was fun riding on the sleigh with you. We'll be watching for you. Love, Shannon Lane

Dear Santa, Hi! My name is John and I'm 1 1/2 years old. I think that I've been pretty good this year except for all the tacky things I did. But really they weren't very plentiful. The tacky things that I did were a "Biff-the-Bear" to talk with in Bear language. That will really show Irene, my sister, a thing or two. I would also like a radio to listen to my favorite station C.O.S.H.U. That's "Come On, Santa, Hurry Up!" I'd also like a cowboy suit, gun, holster, shirt, hat, and boots. The whole works. By the way! Could you possibly bring me one of your Shetland ponies like the ones that pulled your sleigh? I hope so. Well, I had better close. See you Christmas Eve! (I hope... If I can just crawl over my dumb baby bed, I've got it made!)

Love ya, John David McGowen

Dearest Santa, I am a little blonde-haired, blue-eyed girl of 4. Most everybody thinks I'm pretty except my sister. (She's 14. Likes boys, too!) But I've noticed even she thinks I'm pretty when I've got some money or candy. So now you have a little bit of history about me (and my sister). Before I tell you what I'd like for this Christmas, I'd like to thank you for such a wonderful Christmas last year. I would like a "Baby Tippytoes." The reason is so I can have a playmate to play with. I would also like an iron and ironing board. Don't ask me why. They were my mother's idea. And please, Santa, leave me lots of candy and nuts. I guess that's about

all I want, but if you think of anything extra to bring, that's fine with me. Love always, Irene McGowen

Dear Santa Claus, There will be some cookies on the table. I wish you would bring me a 3 speed bicycle and a BB gun and a new bow and arrow set. With love, Richard Rodriguez 700 S. 8th Street

Dear Santa Claus, I would like a red bike with a basket on it. My brother would like a bee-bee gun. My sister would like a doll that talks and walks. Please remember other boys and girls. With love, John Munoz Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa, Please bring me a doll, some stuffed toys and a dress or two. Tina Marie Lacey

Dear Santa Claus For Christmas I want a bicycle or a playing race track. Thank you. With love, John, age 13 407 North Avenue C Haskell, Texas

MERRY Christmas. The Yuletide season is a wonderful time. Wish 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. NINE POINT GRAIN, INC. Haskell - Rochester

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LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa,
I'm so glad it's your time of year again. I would like a walking baby for Christmas, and a telephone, a cash register, dishes and anything extra you might have. Don't forget I'll be in Weinert at my Grandma's and Daddy Jack's. You'll be most welcome.
Don't forget the other little boys and girls.
I love ya,
Karen Kay Campbell

Dear Santa,
Time has come again to get new toys, would you bring me a little school bus and a talking phone this year. I have been a pretty good boy this year.
Jerrel Lynn Payne

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year, so please don't forget me at Christmas. I would like a baton and a bicycle. Don't forget my brothers,
Love,
Cynthia Isbell

Dear Santa,
I am six years old and have been a very good little girl. I would like a talking Barbie, a Vanity set, and a set of dishes for Christmas. Remember all the other children.
Love, Sonja Tiltrow
605 N. Ave. L

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Tippy Toes doll and a ring and things. I have been a good girl. Please bring my brother a talking toy and a truck. He has been good, too.
Love,
Lynn Weatherly
Lex Weatherly

Dear Santa,
I am 6 yrs. old and go to preschool. I have been good I think, so would you please bring me a bicycle, guns, guitar, and clothes? Please remember my little sisters, Kim and Deshawn.
Thanks,
Ronald Brent Lewis

Dear Santa,
First of all I would like to thank you for all the lovely gifts you brought me and my sister last year. We have taken real good care of every toy you gave us.
This year I would like you to bring me a "baby giggles" doll, a new Bible for carrying to Church, a birthstone ring and necklace set, a Liddle Kiddle wrist watch, some grannie

gowns, a toboggan and a pair of rain boots and rain coat for the wintry days ahead. Also I love Cokes, candy, fruit, nuts and anything else you might like to leave for me.
Merry Christmas. Thank you so much.
Sandra Lynette Brothers,
Age 6, Box 532
Rule, Texas
P. S.: I also need a new rocker. I have outgrown the one I have.

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Walter and I am 4 years old. For Christmas I would like a bolt action gun, a Mighty loader and a Michigan shovel. Also you can bring me anything else you would like to.
I am trying to be a good boy. I help my mother. Be sure to visit all of the other boys and girls.
Love,
Walter McBroom
105 N. Ave. M

Dear Santa Claus:
My name is Holly and I am almost 2 years old. I am really watching for you. I would like a baby doll, a telephone and some dishes for Christmas. I am quite a stinker but maybe you will be good to me.
Love,
Holly McBroom
105 N. Ave. M

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Please bring me guns and bullet sets and a deer cabin and a drum with sticks. And a football helmet. Please look under our Christmas tree for your apple. Thank you. I am 4 years old.
Love,
Don Wally Kretschmer
1300 North Ave. G

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Leah Ary. I am 5 years old. My little sister is Alice. She wants a doll, rocking chair, book, and dishes. I want a Susie Homemaker, rocking chair, books, pots and pans and lots of Love and Joy for everyone. Thank you, Santa.
Yours truly,
Leah and Alice
Box 152, Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like a record player, a little doll and a paint set. Thank you very much. Please remember other boys and girls. Say hello to Mrs. Claus for me.
With love,
Connie Frierson
1205 North Avenue H
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like to have a record player. I would like to have a leather dress, too. Please remember other children. Thank you very much.
With love,
Veda Smith
Cook's Trailer Park
South Avenue E
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a bicycle and a doll that walks, cries and talks. Don't forget to give gifts to other children, too. Thank you.
With love,
Flodia Aguilar
407 North Avenue C
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa,
I am three years old and have been real good. Please bring me a pedal type car, a set of guns, and lots of candy.
Don't forget my little brother. Please bring him a go-go cycle, some little cars and some candy.
There will be some cake and coffee sitting on the table for you.
Love,
Sammy Lee McFadden

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like a pretty doll to lay on my bed, a hairdryer and a watch. Don't forget other children, too.
With love,
Tamsla Turnbow
408 North Avenue C
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a real TV, and some "go go" boots. Please do not forget other boys and girls.
With love,
Isabel Perez
Route 1
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like a bike and a tea set. My sister wants a walking and talking doll. My brothers want cars that run on tracks. My big brother wants a bike. Please remember other boys and girls.
With love,
Jeannett Lynn Randle
North 14 Street
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bicycle and an organ. Please do not forget other children.
With love,
Joe Garcia
Route 2,
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want two pair of boots, a bicycle, a train and a sweater. Please don't forget my brother and my sister.
With love,
Gilbert
260 South Avenue I
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa,
I have been real good this year. I only want a few things and this is what I want from you: a sword drill Bible, about 3 colored ballpoint pens. I think that's all I want from you, Santa. I guess I will not be seeing you Wednesday, Dec. 25. Thank you, Santa.
Merry Christmas to all
Cindy Thomas
Star Route



Our sincerest good wishes that you may enjoy a Merry Christmas and all the good fortune to make your New Year a Happy one.

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Happy New Year!

Ben Charlie Chapman
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Greetings
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IN APPRECIATION

As we come to the close of another year, we at Sherman's want to pause and express our sincere thanks to the residents and customers of this area for the fine patronage we have received and which has enabled us to remain in business and to enjoy a steady growth.

Whether or not you are one of our many satisfied customers, we still want to say a hearty "thanks" to all and cherish the friendship of everyone and humbly say "thanks" to each of you.

MR. AND MRS ALVIN SHERMAN
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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!
BROOKS MIDDLETON
Gulf Distributor

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a boy's World Thing-maker, a Scuba Outfit to wear when diving, and some Cigar-boxcars.
With love,
Lee Andress
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a Voice Control Kennedy Airport Set, Fort Cheyenne, Super City, M-16 gun and Johnny Toy Maker for Christmas. Thank You.
Please remember my sister.
With love,
Ricky Lee White
1802 North Avenue G
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a watch, a tractor set and a base ball glove. Remember the other children.
With love,
Clayton Fannell
Star Route
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a pair of boots and a bicycle. Please remember other boys and girls.
With love,
Carlos Villarreal
Box 85,
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa,
My name is Marjorie Hester and I'm 2 yrs. old. I live in Chicago, Ill., but I'm going to be at my grandmother's house in Haskell, Texas on Christmas. She is Grace McKelvain and I wanted to write you this letter to tell you what I want and just to leave it at my Grandmother's house in Texas. I've really been very good this year, so please bring me a doll (just like a real baby), a record player, a vacuum cleaner, a mixer, and a doll bed.
My sister is 9 years old and she wants a lot of big girl stuff, like luggage, sleeping bag, high boots, and a lot of things like that. Her name is Mischel and I don't think you should bring her as much as you do me, because she hasn't been as nice as I.

Thank you very much,
Marina Hester

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy five years old and have tried to be a good boy. For Christmas I wish you would bring me a hot wheel set, a beattle wig, drum, guitar, some candy and fruit if you have enough. Santa, don't forget my cousins, Bobby and David, Cam and Jimmy and all my little friends.
Love, Wade Matthews
302 S. Avenue H

Dear Santa Claus,
Hi! How are you this Christmas? I guess you could say I've been fairly good this year but you can judge that. For Christmas I want a Major Matt Mason, some new guns, a football and anything else you care to bring. But don't forget any of the other kids. They deserve toys too. Bye for now. See you soon.
Love, Ricky Drimon

Dear Santa,
How are you this year? Fine, I do hope. And how is everyone else at the North Pole. I've done the best I could this year. This year for Christmas I want some leather boots and leather dress, a watch, Monopoly game, Twister game and anything you care to bring. Remember all the other kids and don't forget the poor (they want happiness, too!). Bye for now. See you at Christmas.
Love, Kim Drimon

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me some golf clubs and a new watch band. Please don't forget my brothers and remember other children, too.
With love,
Nathan David Frierson
Box 212
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have for Christmas a leather dress, a pair of boots, a bright blue bike and a red coat. Please don't forget the other children, too.
Thank you.
With love,
Tammy Gean Blair
105 North Avenue A
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a doll that talks and a watch, games, and some boots. Please do not forget the other children. Thank you.
With love,
Diane Conley
Cooks Trailer Court
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a doll that talks and walks and a pair of "go-go" boots. Please don't forget other children. Thank you.
With love,
Elvira Trevino
Route 2, Box 133
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like to have some brown boots, a fun flower machine, a house coat and a leather dress. Please don't forget the other boys and girls.
With love,
Carol Sue Lohde
911 North Avenue I
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like a watch and a pair of white boots. I would like a doll that says mama and papa and some blue culottes.
With love,
Christa Pruett
201 North Avenue M
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like to have a pair of white knee-boots, a watch and some small dolls for my doll house. Don't forget the other children. Thank you very much.
With love,
Cindy Littrell
63 North Third
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want a new watch, I would like a new doll that cries, and a leather dress. Please don't forget the other boys and girls.
With love,
Connie Liles
505 North 7th Street
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a pair of skates for Christmas and a bunny rabbit, too. Don't forget my sisters, too, please.
With love,
Barbara G. Ginter
607 North Ave. I,
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a pretty good girl this year and I would like a Tippietoes doll for Christmas and a Marvel the Mustang. I will leave the chimney open, so you can come in Thank you.
Merry Christmas,
Jana Sue Overton
P. S. I'll be watching for you.

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 4 years old. I have tried very hard to be nice. I would like for you to bring me a "Giggles" doll, a nurse kit, and a talking book. I have my stocking hanging, please fill it with some goodies. Please do not forget my brother, sister and my friends.
I love you,
Mynca Jones
607 S. Avenue G

Dear Santa,
My name is Cynthia, I would like a Cuddly Baby, Hand-Down and Monopoly. I would like for you to fill my stocking and all the other children, too. We will leave you some cookies and milk on the table for you and milk on the table just for you. We know how tired you will be.
Love-always,
Cynthia Kay Jones

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bicycle and a punching clown. I have tried to be a good boy this year. We live at 302 North 1st and our chimney doesn't work. Come in the living room door and we will leave milk and cookies for you. If you have one, please bring me a Hoppity Hop.
Thank you,
Keith Mullins
P. S. I hope everyone else has a Merry Christmas.



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

FIELDAN MOTEL

—Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Sawyer—

GREETINGS



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

QUEEN ROOFING
COMPANY



May this message convey
to you our best wishes for
a Christmas that will long be
remembered by you and yours.

FARMERS CO-OP SOCIETY NO. 1
MELVIN NORMAN—MANAGER



Christmas
Greetings

A cheery hello to each of you from
the staff and management of

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best wishes
for the Holidays

JESSIE VICK
County Superintendent

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Here's our prescription
for you: health and happiness!

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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.

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Merry Christmas

TO EACH AND EVERY ONE

Whether your dreams be big or little, may they all come true!



E. C. COLLINS

Commissioner, Precinct 4



Here's a melody of good wishes

for all our friends that sings out:

MERRY CHRISTMAS, everyone!

J. BELTON DUNCAN, DBA CAHILL & DUNCAN



We're wishing you and your family all the happiness of the holiday. We've enjoyed being able to serve you.

ANDERSON TIRE COMPANY

Stitching And Stewing

By Ruth Ann Fausler County H. D. Agent

What may be a minor accident for a youngster may be a serious one for an older! The sad part comes when older people are injured seriously or killed.

There's no question that some factors in the course of aging contribute to accidents. Physical condition declines with age, as does perception and judgment.

Bodily movement becomes slower when muscles and joints do not work as freely. Eyesight and hearing often decline. The ability to recognize and understand situations gets slower with age. Lost balance comes with aging.

All these factors contribute to accidents.

The National Safety Council reports almost 28,000 persons died from injuries in the home last year. Persons more than 65 had about 28 percent of these accidental deaths, yet they comprise only about 9 percent of the population.

Falls lead the list for accidental deaths of the elderly. Motor vehicle and fire rank second and third.

Seniors citizens who are confined as a result of accidents average a little over 14 days compared with those of all other ages about 6 1/2 days. Persons that are over 65 that are hospitalized for accidental injuries average a stay of 24 days compared to 17 days for all other ages. And most of these injuries occur in the home.

All injuries among the elderly help cause serious social and economic problems. They affect the families who try to care for them. They tax the facilities in hospitals and nursing homes and cause an increase in the cost of insurance and contribute to the need for tax increases to support public welfare services.

Mrs. Lewis Corzine, Home Demonstration Club Woman of the Year, has a recipe that will fit into your Holiday Baking. This cake won a blue ribbon at the County Fair for Mrs. Corzine.

Fresh Apple Cake

- 2 cups sugar
- 1 cup shortening
- 3 cups flour
- 3 eggs
- 1/2 t. allspice
- 1/2 t. nutmeg
- 1/2 t. cinnamon
- 1/2 t. salt
- 1 t. soda
- 1/2 cup warm water
- 3 med. size apples, grated.
- 1 t. vanilla

Cream sugar and shortening, add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Add grated apples. Sift flour, spices, soda, and salt together and add alternately with warm water. Add vanilla. Beat until smooth. Bake in angel-food cake pan. Put cake in cold oven and turn temperature to 275-300 degrees and bake 1 1/2 hours.

Cake Icing

Melt one stick oleo in sauce pan. Add 2 tablespoons flour, 1/2 cup milk and 1 cup brown sugar. Boil 1 minute. Cool and

add 2 1/2 cups powdered sugar, 1 t. vanilla, 1 cup finely chopped pecans. Spread on cake.

Funeral Services Held Thursday For Mrs. Neel

Funeral for Mrs. Maggie Frances Neel, 75, who passed away Monday, December 16th, at 9:00 p. m. in the Clearview Nursing Home in Haskell, was held at 4:30 p. m. Thursday, December 19th, in the Kinney Funeral Home, Chapel, Stamford, with burial in Highland Cemetery.

Mrs. Neel, former Stamford resident, had been in the Nursing Home since March 5th.

Born Maggie Frances Reynolds Nov. 26, 1893, in Hubbard, she married C. F. Neel May 23, 1916, at Stamford. He preceded her in death in November of 1963.

Mrs. Neel came to Stamford in 1914 from Red Springs. The Neels moved to Rule in 1939 when Mr. Neel retired from the Stamford police force.

Survivors include two sons, Harry Mesquite and Eatus of Los Angeles, Calif.; five daughters, Mrs. Billy Van Duke of Bell Garden, Calif., Mrs. Sam Morse of La Feria, Mrs. Lennie Lee Chambers and Mrs. Lavern Banks, both of Harlingen, and Miss Theda Neel of Haskell; 12 grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Tucker of Lufkin and Mrs. Clyde Kelly of Stamford; two brothers, Will Reynolds of Haskell and Marvin Reynolds of Kerrville.

GRADUATES FROM NINE WEEKS BASIC TRAINING

Seaman Apprentice Robert V. Earles Jr., USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert V. Earles Sr., of Route 2, Haskell, has graduated from nine weeks of Navy basic training at the Naval Training Center, San Diego.

In the first weeks of his naval service he studied military subjects and lived and worked under conditions similar to those he will encounter on his first ship or at his first short station.

In making the transition from civilian life to Naval service, he received instruction under veteran Navy petty officers. He studied seamanship, as well as survival techniques, military drill and other subjects.

LETTERS TO SANTA

I would like to thank you for all the nice toys that you brought to me last year. For this Christmas I would like for you to bring me a Telescope to look at the stars with, a Billy Blastoff, a Rifle Range, and an Army suit. Please don't forget all my friends in Haskell. I want them to have a Merry Christmas, too.

A Good Boy,
Mark Greenroy
4611 Pasadena Dr.
Midland, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a pair of black boots and a bicycle and a tea set.
Dear Santa,

My brother wants a bicycle, too.

With love,
Irish Riley
Avenue A
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a doll for Christmas and an organ, and one dress. Please do not forget the other boys and girls.

I love you,
Teena Summerville
1207 North 12th Street
Haskell, Texas 79521

Dear Santa Clause,

I want a Susie Homemaker and a doll called Little Miss Fussy. Thank you. And a real baton. I love you, Santa Clause.
Teresa May Mullins

Dear Santa Clause,

For Christmas I want a B. B. gun and a football with the Dallas Cowboys name on it. We will be here at the house.

You will have to come in the door, and there will be milk and cookies for you,
Donny Mullins

Dear Santa Claus,

Our names are Randy 6, Raymond 5, Ronnie 4, Waylen 2, and Gerald 1, in that order. We are writing to tell you what we want for Christmas. We all would like a swing set with slide. Randy wants an Etch-A-Sketch, Raymond wants a tractor-trailer set, or a carpenter set. Ronnie wants a gun set and a tractor. Gerald and Waylen wants a gun set, too!
We all want western hats.
Thank you,
The Thomas Boys



Season's Greetings

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

LYLES JEWELRY

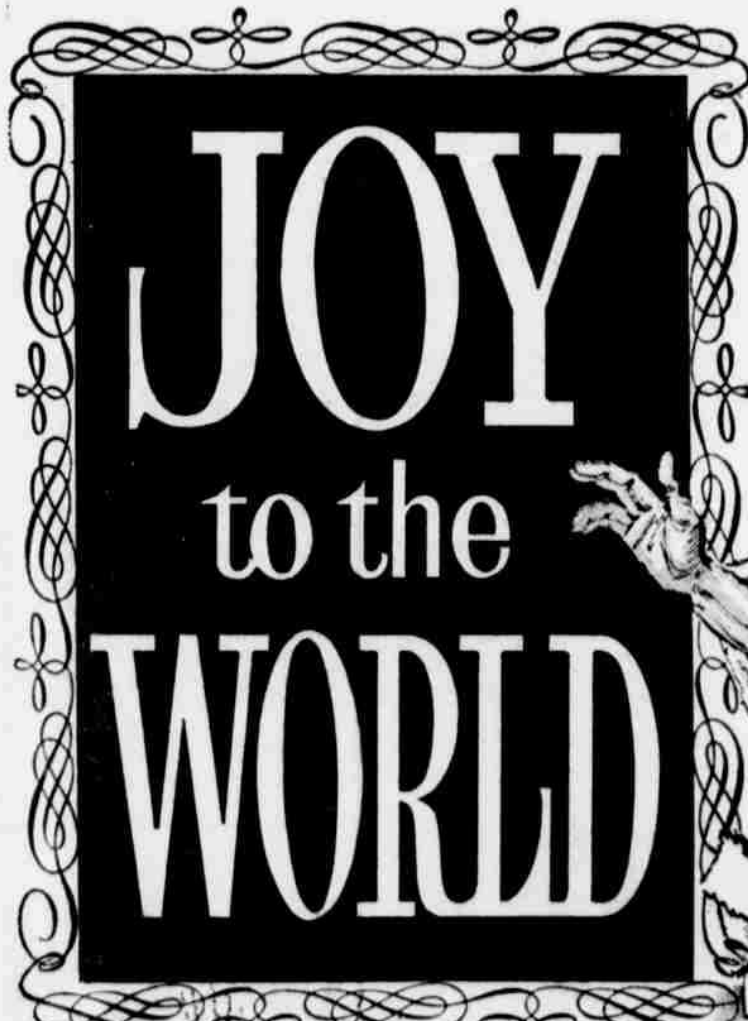
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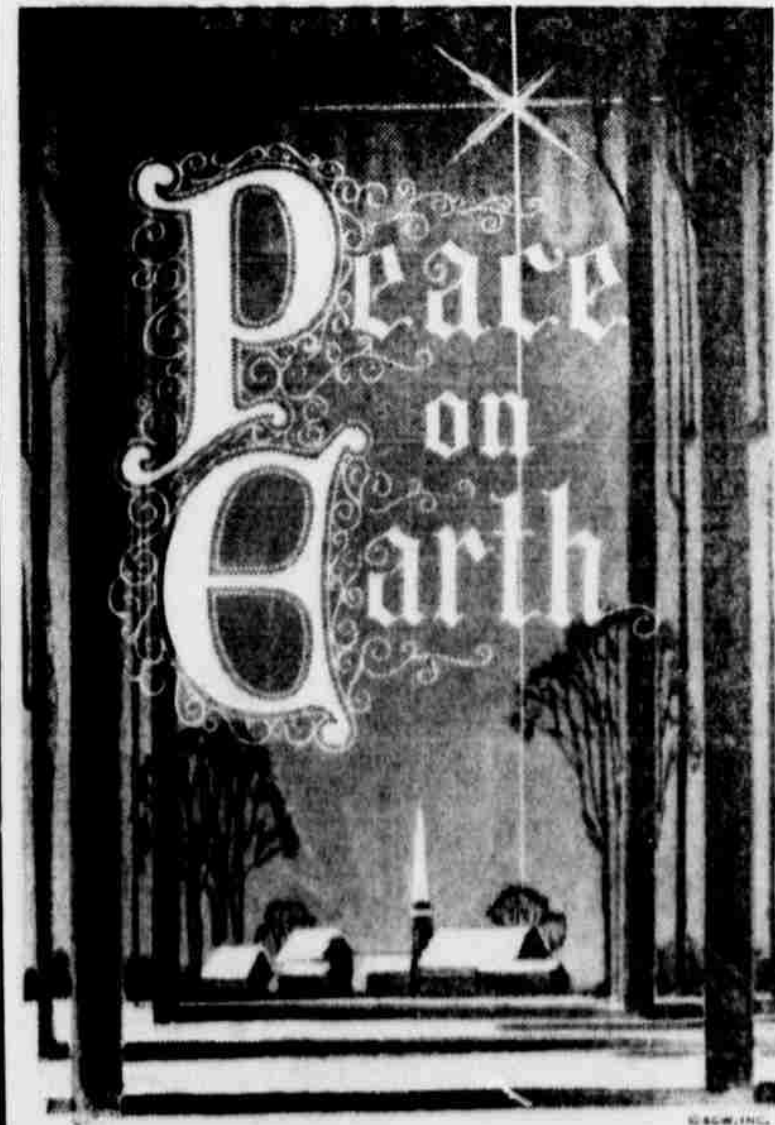
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The Lord is come! Let us go and worship the Babe Who brings His message of peace and love to all nations once again! May He bless you and yours at this holy season!

Haskell National Bank



To all our customers a world of happiness at this glorious time!

Elma Guest Ready-to-Wear

Jerri Cox, Owner

Happy Holiday



May the season ring with gaiety & good cheer for all!

The DAD 'N LAD Shop

411 South First Street - Haskell, Texas

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa,
I'm an eight-year-old girl. I've been good this year. Please bring me some toys for Christmas. I would like a Tippee-Toe doll, Barbie doll and house, knitting machine, Easy Bake Oven and a vanity table.
Please remember my teenage sisters, Pam and Pat and my dog, Sun.
Love, Peggy Harris

Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old and have been a good little girl this year. I want a Suzie Homemaker Colthes, and anything you want to bring me. Please don't forget my brother and sister.
Love,
Vickie Mae Daniels

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this past year. I am 5 years old. I want a walking doll and clothes. Santa, just anything that you think that I might like to have.
Love,
Kimberly Sue Daniels

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I hope you can bring me some black knee high boots. And if you can't, bring me a Colonge Kiddle. I hope you can bring my two brothers, Bobby and Jay, what they want. We know you will bring other boys and girls toys, too. If they are good.
Love,
Twylia Druessedow
1733 Sherman, Abilene, Texas
P. S. We will leave a note and cookies or cake for you.

Dear Santa,
I am a big girl
I am 8 years old
I have been a good girl
I want a baby tubsy and a baby bed
I love you, Santa
From Tammy

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy six years old. I've been a good little boy this year. I would like an airplane and a race car for Christmas. I live at 508 South 12th, so please don't forget.
I love you, Santa.
Jimmy Roberts

Dear Santa,
My name is Sheila Bartley. I live at 914 South 1st. I want a Talking Barbie and some Go Go Boots. I am 5 years old and go to Kindergarten. I have 2 brothers named Michael and Terry. Please bring them a guitar. Remember all the other little boys and girls who will not get much for Christmas. Also remember the people who are sick.
I love you,
Sheila Bartley

Dear Santa,
I want a race car that is big and red. Santa, I am 4 years old. If you think I would like something else just bring it on up. My mother said that she would leave you some cake and milk.
Love,
Johnny Carlton Daniels
P. S. Santa, I sure do love you.

Dear Santa Claus
I am a boy seven years old. Please bring me a Tog'l set for Christmas.
I have been a good boy.
Don't forget all the boys and girls.
Love Bobby Druessedow, Jr.
1733 Sherman Street
Abilene, Texas

Dear Santa,
My name is Jody, and I have been a very good little boy. I will be 2 in February. I would like to have a TONKA FLEET (Road grader, Catapillar, Ditcher Loader, Dump Truck).
Please bring lots of fruit, nuts & candy, too.

Santa, please be very good to my cousin Wayne that lives in Alabama. And my Uncle Wayne and Aunt Janet also.
Also Santa please be good to my Aunt Gayle and bring her a nice boyfriend.
Be good to Mommie and Grandad, & Grannie, & Great Grandpop & Aunt Gene too. Also Aunt Elna and Unk Robt. & Cousin Jerry.
I love them all very much. Thank you Santa, I love you. Your little friend,
JODY G., Haskell, Texas
707 South First Street

Dear Santa,
My name is Brenda, I am 8 years old. I want a watch, Tippy Toes, radio, wig, walkie talkie, dresser set, Ka-balla and dishes. Please leave my things at Daddy Jacks. Remember all my cousins. I love you.
Brenda Cox
Denver, Colo.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am five years old, and I have tried to be a good boy.
Please bring me a punching bag for Christmas, one like boxers use.
I live at 1733 Sherman in Abilene, Texas. Merry Christmas.
Love,
Jay Druessedow

Dearest Santa,
My name is Edgwyna Medford. I am 7 years old. I would like you to bring me a Little Charmer doll for Christmas. Also some cologne. Please do not forget the other little boys and girls.
Thank you,
Edgwyna

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl five years old. I have tried to be good but sometimes it was pretty hard.
For Christmas I would like to have a Suzy Homemaker oven, a purse filled with make-up, a doll and some clothes. Also please fill my stocking with candy, fruit and nuts.
Please don't forget the other little girls and boys. Thank you, Santa.
Love, Shelah Nell Jetton
1703 N. Avenue G
Haskell, Texas

Dearest Santa,
My name is Jeffery Medford. I am 4 years old. For Christmas I would like to have a red Mustang car that I can work by controls, also a BB blow gun.
Please do not forget the other little boys and girls.
Thanks,
Jeffery

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Johnny Toymaker, Hot Wheels Drag Action Set, Drum Set, Electro Shot Shooting Gallery, Superman Bop Bag for Christmas. Thank you for the toys you gave me last year.

I am eight years old.
Your friend,
Chris Colbert
1310 North Ave. H

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 8 yrs. old. I would like for Christmas a race car set, and I have a little brother Picky who is 3 yrs. old and he would like a riding fire truck. We both would like some candy, nuts, fruit and anything else you want to bring us. So don't forget us and please don't forget the other little boys and girls.
Love,
Frankie Lee Moeller
604 South Ave. E.

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a baby doll, some dishes, and a doll high chair, fruits, candy and nuts. I am two years old, and I live in Floydada, Texas.
Thank you,
A little friend,
Kristi Rainey



O, come all ye faithful...

May the peace and happiness symbolized by the Star of Christmas remain with you throughout the Holiday Season.

COBB LUMBER COMPANY

Jim Newton, Manager
Haskell, Texas

Merry CHRISTMAS

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

Kirkpatrick Beauty Shop
300 North Second Street

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.

NEELY DRY GOODS

Northeast Corner Square

Wishing All Our Friends and Customers ... A

happy holiday



May this coming Holiday Season give you many reasons for much gratitude and happiness. This is the sincere wish from all of us at the—

OATES DRUG STORE

JIM MEDLEY — "On the Same Old Corner" — JIM FRESHOUR

Season's Greetings



WE HOPE THAT THIS CHRISTMAS WILL BE A JOYOUS ONE FOR ALL OUR FRIENDS

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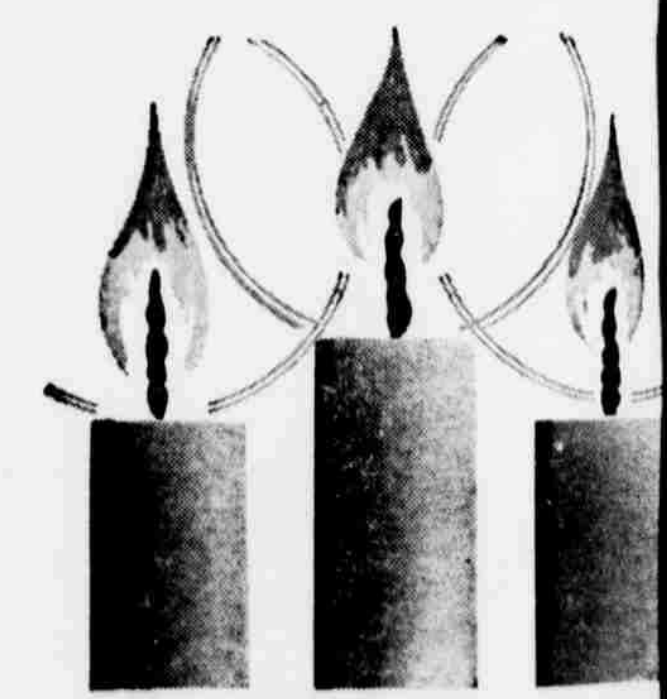
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Haskell, Texas



GREETINGS TO ALL

To our friends and patrons ... we wish you the best during the coming Christmas and New Year

BIARD'S CLEANERS



Season's Greeting

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

HAMMER LAUNDRY

MR. AND MRS. OTIS ELMORE AND W. O.





Silent Night

May the peace of Christmas be in every heart this season.

Haskell County Farm Bureau
Representation and Insurance Services
—Phone 864-3050—



DEAR SANTA CLAUS

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

The SLIPPER SHOPPE

DEAR SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus, I am a little girl 2 years old. My name is Cyndy. I want to ask you if you will bring me a Tippy Toes doll. Please don't forget my little brother, Billy. He's only 10 months old, but if you'll bring him a little red wagon, I'll pull him in it till he gets big enough to pull me. Thank you, Cyndy Friske

Dear Santa Claus I am a little girl almost three years old. I have been pretty good this year. For Christmas, please bring a baby doll, a ball and a big red wagon. Also some fruit and candy. Also remember my two big sisters and all the other boys and girls. Thank you, Susie Blankenship 1405 N. Ave. F

Dear Santa Claus My name is Jeff Hatfield. I also have a little brother, he is 4 years old, who does not know how to write. His name is Terry Hatfield. Terry wants a doctor kit, a ball suit and a wall blackboard for Christmas. I want a football suit and a BB gun so I can shoot the birds here at Grandma Turnbow's house. I live 1 mile in the country in a trailer house that sets beside my Grandma Turnbow's house. Jeffrey Hatfield

MERRY CHRISTMAS



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

FORD BUICK-PONTIAC COMPANY
90 North Avenue E—Haskell, Texas



GREETINGS

May we add our very good wishes to the hosts of sparkling greetings fondly given and gladly accepted during this, the joyous Holiday Season of Good Will to All.

ELSIE'S HILANDER DRIVE-IN
Managed by Lois Campbell

Dear Santa, I want Baby Small Talk and a baby buggy. My baby brother wants a wagon. He is one year old. I will be very good. See you Christmas, O.K.? Bye and I love you Santa. Janet Lynn Phillips

Dear Santa, My name is Patsy Ann Butler. I am 5 years old. I would like for you to bring me a tip-toe doll and a guitar. Don't forget all the other boys and girls. Yours truly, Patsy, Box 452, Haskell, Tex.

Dear Santa, I am a little girl 5 years old and go to kindergarten. Mother and Daddy say I have been a good little girl this year. I would like to have a walking doll and bicycle for Christmas if you can bring them to me. Please remember all the other little boys and girls. I love you, Ember Miller

Dear Santa Clause, Here I write you this letter to let you know that for Christmas I wished you would give me many things but like I don't know what you could give me I will wait that you would give me whatever you wanted. Thank you, Reynaldo Aguilar 407 N. Ave. C Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa, Here I am writing you this letter. I am a little boy 6 years old. I would like for Christmas any kind of toys for me and my sisters. I have 2 sisters and one brother. Thank you, Santa Luis Aguilar 407 N. Ave. C Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa Claus, I am 8 years old and I am in the third grade. For Christmas, I want a Creepie People Machine, and a Stingray bicycle with hand brakes. Make this year a white Christmas. Thank you, Your friend, Eddie Freely

Dear Santa, My name is Kendall and I am 1 years old. I live in Irving, but I plan on being in Haskell for Christmas. I have been a good boy this year so would you please bring me a big red wagon, a rifle and a gun holster. Don't forget my sister, Kimla Ann, who wants a doll and doll buggy. Thank you, Kendall Strickland 4002 Rainer Irving, Texas

Dear Santa, I am 5 years old and I live in Irving, Texas, but I plan on being in Haskell for Christmas. I have tried to be a good boy this year. I would like a bicycle and a rifle for Christmas. Please don't forget my sister, Kimla Ann. She wants a doll and doll buggy. Thank you, Santa Kevin Strickland, 4002 Rainer Irving, Texas

Dear Santa, I want a tricycle, a talking telephone, a baby small talk, a doll stroller and high chair and anything else you want to bring me. I have been pretty good. Bring all other boys and girls some nice toys. Thank you, Santa Michelle Briscoe, Age 1 1/2 years

Dear Santa Claus, I want a race car set, and a pair of boots, too. My brother wants the same thing for Christmas. Thank you very much. Don't forget the other boys and girls, please. With love, Allen Ray York 1005 South Third Haskell, Texas

GREETINGS



Here's hoping your Christmas Day arrives just filled with all the happiness the season can bring.

Bill Wilson Motor Co.



Season's Greetings

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

CARL J. ANDERSON Construction Company

Silent Night



May this holy season be filled with blessings for all

GHOLSON GROCERY CO.



Greetings

AT CHRISTMAS, LET THERE BE PEACE IN EVERY HEART AS WE CELEBRATE THE BIRTH OF THE HOLY INFANT... AND MAY THAT PEACE REMAIN WITH US EVER AFTER.

HOLDEN-McCAULEY FUNERAL HOME
BILL HOLDEN - MARY HOLDEN - CHARLES McCAULEY
NEDRA McCAULEY - GARY COBB



May A Very Merry Christmas Season
Flourish At Your House This Year!

MODERN NEWS STAND



South Side Barber Shop

Sam Parks - Leslie Jones



Doubly hearty good wishes for happy holidays to everyone!

BOGGS & JOHNSON

Haskell, Texas



Christmas brings thoughts of old friends, good times and all that's best in life. May this Christmas add richly to your store of happy memories.

THE PERSONALITY SHOPPE

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Floradean Hawkins. I will be 9 December 31, 1968. I want a chrome baton for Christmas, please.
I have some brothers, Sammy is the youngest one. He wants a pull toy, Bobby is the next one. He wants a fire truck. Joe is the next one. He wants a Slinky. We all want nuts and candy.
By for now.
Love, Floradean
200 N. Ave. B, Haskell, Tex.

Dear Santa Clause,
I am a little girl 6 years old. I have been real good this year.
For Christmas I want a Magic Bake Oven and a Baby Hungry Doll and electric iron and ironing board, pots and pans and some mixes so I can cook on my stove. I would like some moccasins, fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget Tammie and my little friends.
DeAnn Carter
I will leave some cake and coffee on the table for you. I love you.

Dear Santa,
I am a 3 1/2 year old boy. I am ready for your visit to my house Christmas.
Please bring me a bicycle, a Rock em Sock em Robots and a Commander 8 pc. set.
Remember our baby sister and bring her a soft cuddly toy.
Love,
Joseph Browning

Dear Santa Clause,
I hope you can find my house Christmas Eve. We will have a treat set out for you.
Please bring me a bicycle, a Super Bowl electric football game and a Calvery set.
Bring my sister, Stephanie, something.
Love,
Robert Browning

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want some toys.
1. Commander 8-pc. set
2. Electro shot shooting gallery.
3. Best of all I want a Daisy BB gun. The 99 Match Special Daisy BB Repeater.
I am 8 1/2 years old. I will be 9 on February 25, 1969. And don't forget my baby sister, bring her a soft toy.
Love,
Jimmy Browning

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy 4 yr. old. I have been pretty good this year and am looking forward to a visit from you this Christmas. Would you bring me cowboy boots, guns and holster and anything you think I might like?
Remember my big brother, Royce. He wants an electric race track set. Please do not forget any boys and girls on Christmas. I'd like nuts and candy in my sock.
We will have a snack for you, Santa.
Love,
Dewayne Meier

Dear Santa,
Please bring toys to Margie Ann Liles. I would like to have a twist and turn Barbie, Suzy Homemaker washing machine, birthstone ring, Barbie clothes, and a game. Oh yes! and a Tubsy doll.
Your dear friend,
Margie Ann Liles
P. S. Thank you.

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl 7 yrs. old. I have been very good this year. Would you please bring me a Baby-Grow-A-Tooth, a Beauty Bug Hairdryer, Game, Don't forget all the other boys and girls and my dog Penny.
Tamara Sorrells

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a baby Tippy Toes, a cook set, and a set of play dishes. I am three years old, and I have been a really good girl all year. Be sure to remember other children on Christmas Eve.
Thank you,
Donna Rainey

Dear Santa Claus,
I am five years old, and I have been a nice boy this year. For Christmas I would like to have a holster set, a View Master, and a football suit. Please do not forget the other children.
Love,
Jeff Rainey

Dear Santa,
I want a hike and Tubbsy.
Selina Starr

Dear Santa,
My name is Gena Lynn Fischer. My sister's name is Linda Michelle. I want a Easy Bake Oven. My sister wants a talking Barbie. Thank you for the toys that you sent us. We love you, Santa.
Love,
Gena and Linda Fischer

Dear Santa Claus,
I am only one year old, but I certainly know who you are. Please bring me a great big fire engine for Christmas. If you see anything else that I might like, please bring me that, too.
Thank you very much.
Love,
David Rainey

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is a pair of black boots and a double barreled shotgun. I try to be good. Remember my cousins and all the other boys and girls. Merry Christmas!
Love,
Randel Frierson

Dear Santa,
My name is Coy Joe and I have been a fairly good boy. I would like to have Racerific set, a bubble gun, a slinky, a Plush airplane and a Mighty Mike set for Christmas. I have a little sister, so please bring her a baby doll and something else for her to play with.
We are at our Grandmother's now, so don't forget we are not at our new home.
Coy Joe Miles,
612 S. Austin
Tulia, Texas

Dear Santa,
We are two little girls who have been pretty good this year. Our names are Becky Wallace, age 5, and Linda Wallace, age 2 1/2. We live in Ballinger, Texas. Our grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. Russell and Mrs. J. E. Wallace of Haskell. We would like some toys, candy and fruit. Becky wants a tuba and Linda wants some drums. We will leave some fruitcake for you and some carrots for your reindeer. We love you, Santa.
Becky and Linda Wallace
708 8th, Ballinger, Texas

Dear Santa,
I would like to have Tippi Toes for Christmas, please. Also a "crazy car." We will be at Grandmother's.
I love you,
Sara Starr

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Camille. I am 4 1/2 years old. Please bring me a Mrs. Beasley board, puzzles and a member my big brother Jim a tractor. Captain, my brother would like a rubber tree. I would like to be a good girl.
Love,
Camille Klose
107 N. Avenue M

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl old and I have been good. My Grandma says bring me a walkie talkie. Don't forget my sister. I love you and all of my little friends.
Thank you and I love you,
Cheryl Conner

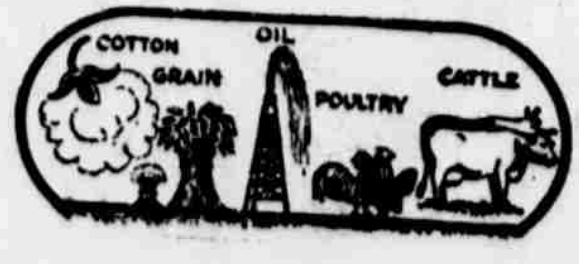


to Our Many Friends and Customers

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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