

Christmas Services To Be Held At Church

Wednesday night services at the First Baptist Church in Silvertown will be held at 6:30 p.m. instead of 7:30 on Christmas Eve.

Thursday morning at 9:00 o'clock, a special Christmas service will be held.

Planning Begins For Studies Program

The second Texas Panhandle European Studies Program is now being arranged for area high school students who wish to participate in the tour next summer.

Administrators for the program are Dr. and Mrs. John T. Reeves. Dr. Reeves is an English professor at West Texas State University and Mrs. Reeves teaches foreign languages at Canyon High School.

Acting as program coordinator is the Panhandle Educational Service Organization (PESO) under the auspices of the Foreign Study League, Inc.

Mrs. Reeves says the purpose of PESO's direction is to set up a continuing cooperative program that will enable educators and students from all parts of District XVI to include a summer travel-study experience in their total educational experience.

With PESO's guidance, Mrs. Reeves says, a selected group of advisors and students from the Texas Panhandle will plan their trip together and will travel as one independent unit.

"The activities during the winter and spring orientation, as well as many activities abroad, are intended to furnish the widest possible experience of foreign lands and cultures," she says.

The upcoming European Studies Program will depart from Denver on July 11. The students and administrators will first travel to London and then to Amsterdam, Paris, Zurich, Florence, Rome and Madrid. They are expected to return August 7.

"High school credit in the humanities can be offered at the discretion of each school district," Mrs. Reeves says. "College credit can be arranged for graduating high school seniors and advisors."

The basic cost for enrollment is \$1,455. Students who have finished grades nine through 12 or the freshman year of college immediately prior to departure are eligible to enroll, provided the student is in good standing in both academics and citizenship.

The fee includes transoceanic jet transportation overseas and motor coach, train, sea and air transportation for intracontinental travel, meals, lodgings and related activities.

Enrollments will be accepted as long as space remains available on the program.

Brochures are now available which contain full details of the travel plans and an application form, Mrs. Reeves says.

The initial program last summer is similar to the one now under arrangement except the students started in Madrid and finished in London, and went to Venice instead of Amsterdam, and took a trip near Salzburg instead of Zurich.

Dr. and Mrs. Reeves were the tour administrators last year. "We think it's very important to the program to have a husband and wife team as the administrators," each agreed.

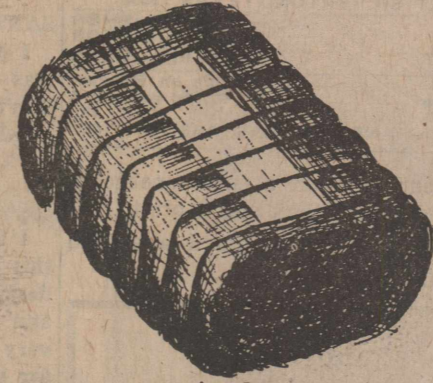
Dr. Reeves, who has been with WTSU since 1970, was salutatorian of his graduating class from Silvertown High School and continued his education at Baylor University and Texas Tech. He has been on the faculty of Riswell, New Mexico and Denver, Colorado public schools, University of Colorado and University of Denver.

Mrs. Reeves has a degree from the University of Colorado, was a Fullbright Scholar to Austria, received a Hispanic Culture scholarship to University of Madrid and taught in Menendez-Pelayo, Middlebury, Vermont and Denver public schools.

News Office To Be Closed

The office of the Briscoe County News will be closed December 24 through December 28. If you have dry cleaning that you will be needing during the holidays, you will need to pick it up before closing time on Tuesday afternoon.

Silvertown: Home of Scenic Lake Mackenzie



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L. O. A. Junior Study Club members Bobbie Thornberry, Gail Wyatt, Pat Edwards and Rhenda Bur-

son assisted Santa Claus in giving candy canes to the children at the conclusion of their Santaland skit

last Thursday afternoon in the school auditorium. Talking with Santa is Julia Couch, while Lynda

Gayl Greenfield and Donna Boling anticipate what they will say to Santa.

Farmland Industries Holds Meeting

Nearly \$90 million was refunded in cash to member associations at the 1975 annual meeting of Farmland Industries in Kansas City December 3-5.

The refunds were apportioned on the basis of members' patronage of Farmland in the fiscal year ended August 31. Farmland, a regional farm supply cooperative based in Kansas City, serves more than 2,100 local cooperatives in 15 states.

Representing Briscoe Cooperatives at the meeting were Fred Mercer, John T. Francis, J. D. Nance and Elton Cantwell.

Highlights included the annual report of Ernest T. Lindsey, Farmland president. He reported volume in the last fiscal year reached \$1.5 billion, with savings of \$204 million. Both represent sharp increases over previous records.

Lindsey said large savings are necessary to help finance expansion of facilities to meet the growing needs of members for such inputs as fertilizer, petroleum and feed.

Entertainment was a country music extravaganza featuring Tennessee Ernie Ford and Glenn Ash. About 16,000 persons attended the meeting.

TURKEY SHOOT WINNERS ARE ANNOUNCED HERE

Winners of the December 20 Young Farmer turkey shoot were Guy Breedlove, Charles Whitfill, Sonny Thomas, Steve Barbour, Leon Foster, Bill Reid, Don Brown, Calvin Shelton, Gary Losson, Trent Thompson, Perry Brunson, Mark Harden, Pete Hardan, Walter Dunham, Dean Powell, Wayne Stephens, Wayne Vaughan, Joe Mote, Donald Thompson and Tommy Abbott.

Farm Bureau To Close Two Days

The offices of the Briscoe County Farm Bureau and Hutsell Insurance Company will be closed December 25 and 26.

Teams Draw Tough Foe For First Round Of Tournament

The Silvertown Owls and Owlettes have drawn Sanford-Fritch in the opening round of the North Plains Tournament which will be played at Claude High School January 1-23. The Owlettes will play at 12:10 p.m. Thursday, January 1, followed by the Owls at 1:45 p.m.

Winners of these first games will advance to play the winners of the Valley-Panhandle games at 3:30 and 4:55 p.m. Friday. Losers go into the consolation bracket to play the losers of the Valley-Panhandle games at 9:00 and 10:35 a.m. Friday.

The other teams in the tournament are Hedley, Stinnett, Groom and Claude.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hutsell have recently moved from Lubbock to Canyon. He is transferring back to West Texas State University after having been a student at Tech this semester.

Area I Planning To Have Field Day

The Area I Young Farmers of Texas officers met Friday, December 19 at the Texas Education Agency in Plainview.

Members discussed an Area I Field Day which will be held at Spur. Dates suggested were March 20, 27 and April 2. The tour would be from 10:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

The 1976 Area I Young Farmer Convention was discussed and members voted to have the convention on September 18 in Plainview. Other details were tabled until the next meeting.

Officers attending were Bobby Ritchey, Frenship; Kenny Chance, Spur; Don Moore, Dimmitt; Jim Barton, Abernathy; Calvin Shelton, Silvertown, and Walter Labay, Plainview, area advisor.

Schott Appointed To School Board

Announcement has been made of the appointment of John Schott to the Board of Trustees of the Silvertown Independent School District.

Schott will serve until the election in April 1976 in the place of Pat L. Northcutt who resigned before moving to Dalhart recently.

CONSUMERS GET BETTER CHANCE TO SETTLE MAIL-ORDER COMPLAINTS

Consumers soon will have a better chance to "fight back" when dissatisfied with mail-order shopping, Miss Linda Mullin, Briscoe County Extension Agent, reports.

Beginning February 2, 1976, a new Federal Trade Commission ruling states that a mail-order company must notify the consumer within 30 days after receiving an order if there will be a delay and the merchandise will not be shipped within the stated time.

And if the delivery can't be met, consumers can cancel their order and receive a refund, if they ask for it, she said.

Other avenues open for action on consumer complaints are the Consumer Advocate's Office in the Postal Service, Washington, D. C. 20201; the Office of Consumer Affairs, Washington, D. C. 20201; and the mail-order industry's Direct Mail/Marketing Association, Six East 43rd Street, New York, New York 10017.

But before even placing an order, consumers can help avoid problems by reading the catalogue carefully for company policy on returns and estimated delivery dates. A seller with a known place of business is easier to complain to than an anonymous post office box number.

If the firm is unfamiliar, certify its credentials through the seller's local Better Business Bureau or Chamber of Commerce. A couple of phone calls may be worth it if the order is over \$25.

Consumers also can ask the firm to supply a local reference from a trade association or bank, she reminded.

Owlettes Earn Win Over Claude Girls

Silvertown's Varsity Owlettes earned a one-point victory over Coach Bob Wheelchel's Mustangettes, and the Varsity Owls dropped their game by a one-point margin to the Claude Mustangs in Friday night's basketball action in the home gym. Each of the teams is now 1-2 in District 2-A action.

Twila Wood, who is playing as a freshman, again led the scoring for the Owlettes with 18 points. Becky Francis, a senior forward, scored 10 points; Margaret Crosslin, a junior, and Kim Hutsell, a sophomore, scored four points each.

Claude jumped out to an early lead over the Owlettes and led at the end of each of the first three quarters. The Owlettes kept playing ball and finally overcame the deficit, putting up their last two points in the closing seconds after Gayla McCord stole the ball from the Mustangettes. Claude got the last shot, but missed.

Owlettes 4 16 24 36
Claude 12 23 29 35

The Owls held the early lead in their game, but trailed at half-time and at the end of the quarters in the second half. The Owls again helped their opponents by turning the ball over quite a few times.

Randy Clay led the scoring with 15 points. Brent Brannon scored 13. Jackie Vaughn caged 11 points; Gary Turner, five; Brett Gill, Tommy Lacy and Ken Sarchet each tossed in two points.

Claude 6 27 43 51
Owls 13 22 33 50

Next games for the teams will be in the North Plains Tournament at Claude January 1-2-3. A bracket of this tournament is at the News Office if you would like to look at it.

Most Businesses To Close Two Days

Most Silvertown businesses have announced plans to be closed December 25-26 for Christmas. Please plan your shopping so as not to be inconvenienced by this closing.

Mrs. Clea Rivers had the misfortune of breaking her hip in a fall at her home Sunday evening. She was taken by the Silvertown Volunteer Ambulance Service to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. Ambulance attendants were Stanley Fogerson, Gary Weak and Mrs. Becky Woods.

Swisher and Wilbarger; one each in Clay, Crosby, Lubbock, Montague, Palo Pinto, Parker, Wichita, Hutchinson, Oldham and Wheeler.

Beef Certificates Available For Christmas Gifting

Terra Cotta CowBelles are once again inviting all local and area businessmen and individuals to give Beef Certificates for Christmas this year.

These certificates have proven beneficial to the Texas cattlemen, which CowBelles believe have boosted the local economy in return. Redeemed certificates tend to circulate local dollars.

The Texas CowBelles boosted the Texas Beef Industry by selling \$44,000.00 in certificates in less than a year's time last year, with the local CowBelles selling \$6,555.00 of that amount.

Such success could be possible again with the support and favorable attitude of local citizens.

Certificates are available at all local and area banks for year-round giving.

Former Resident Dies In California

News concerning the death of Mrs. Leola Dowdy, a former Silvertown resident, has been received from her son, Ross Dowdy. The Dowdy family lived in Silvertown for many years. He was depot agent until his retirement when he and Mrs. Dowdy went to live with their son. Mr. Dowdy passed away several years ago.

Mrs. Dowdy was a member of the First Baptist Church and Silvertown Chapter No. 900, Order of the Eastern Star.

In a letter to Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Moreland, Ross Dowdy wrote: "I am sorry I haven't written sooner but we have been busy doing an earthquake analysis of the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and I have been in Seattle for some time."

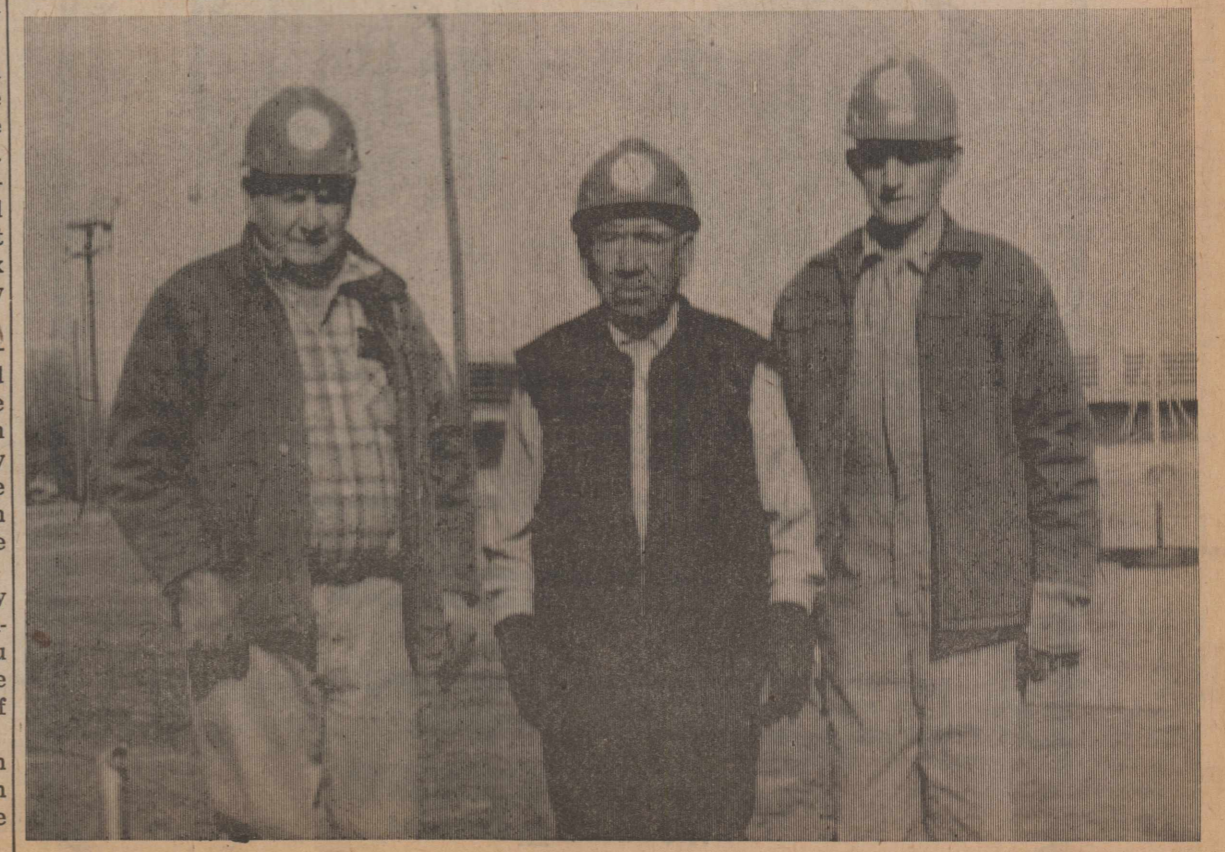
"The house seems somewhat empty since my mother is gone but I have made no plans to move as yet."

"My mother went to the hospital on August 20 and she seemed to be much better on the evening of the 24th but then became worse on the 25th and passed away at 10:00 a.m. on the 26th. The funeral was held on August 29 in the Church of the Hills at Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Hollywood Hills.

The service was lovely. It was conducted by Rev. B. P. Maddox, pastor of the First Southern Baptist Church, Hollywood. He had been our pastor for about 15 years . . . There were many people at the service. Her niece and nephew camp from Texas and many people came from Texas and many people more than I expected since she had not been able to go to church for several years. Interment was at Forest Lawn Memorial Park.

I hope to be able to visit Texas as soon as I can break away from my work here for awhile. I will try to see you when I do. Your friend, Ross Dowdy."

GREENTHUMB WORKERS — Silvertown Greenthumb workers are O. E. May, Florentino Lopez and Buck Wesley. The men are responsible for a lot of cleaning up and beautification that has been done at the park, in downtown Silvertown, at the rodeo and show grounds and at the school. The Greenthumb program gives older adults an opportunity to supplement their retirement pensions while engaged in local beautification and improvement projects.



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Dear Santa

DEAR SANTA,
 I have been a nice girl this

month. I want a snow-cone-maker and a basketball and a pretty doll to go on my bed and a stuffed animal.

Love,
 Kathy Brown

SANTA CLAUS,
 I want an Easy Bake for Christmas and I want a Baby Alive. Don't forget me.
 Lee Ann Durham

DEAR SANTA,
 I have been a very good girl this year. Please bring me a school desk, Melody the love-note doll and Chinese Checkers. I love you very much, and will leave a snack for you on Christmas Eve.
 Love,
 Carey Blackerby

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
 Bring me a train, a motorcycle, a Johnny West and a dump truck. I've been a good little boy.
 Love,
 Brian West

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
 I want a Sam Cobra doll, Batman doll, and a big yellow dump truck and a fire truck play doh. I've tried to be a good boy. My little brother got his arm broke so please bring him lots of toys.
 Love,
 Brad West

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
 Please bring me a lot of toys. I want a choo choo train, a fire whistle, a bubble gum machine, an Evel Kneivel with legs so he can step on his brake. I also want a Freddy Frog and some big mouth singers. I've been a good boy this year.
 Love,
 Jeffery Lynn Smith
 P. S. Have a Merry Christmas.

DEAR SANTA,
 My name is Missy Minyard and I am five years old. My sister, Amy, is almost two. We have been good girls this year. Please bring me a Weebles West, Bless You Baby Tenderlove, and a table and chairs. Amy wants Baby That-Away, Big Bad and a See and Say. We love you, Santa, Missy and Amy

DEAR SANTA,
 I think I have been a pretty good boy this year. Would you please bring me an electric train and a race car set. I hope you have a merry Christmas.
 I love you and
 Mrs. Claus, too,
 Jon Earl Pigg

DEAR SANTA,
 I am five years old. I have been a good boy and I want a go-cart. Tammi wants a go-cart, too. See you Christmas.
 Love,
 Neal

DEAR SANTA,
 Santa, I want a Nerf glider and want a Nerf football. I want a sleigh and I want an airplane. I want a candle. I have been a very good boy.
 To: Santa
 From: Stephen

DEAR SANTA,
 I want a baby doll and the Sunshine family. I have been a pretty good girl.
 I love you,
 Jeannita

GOOD SAMARITAN CLASS HAS MONTHLY MEETING
 The Good Samaritan Sunday School Class met in the home of Mrs. Arnold on Friday afternoon, December 12, for its monthly meeting. Each member brought a gift, and the gifts were numbered and exchanged. There were 17 members present. Members of the class presented a Bible to their teacher, Mrs. Arnold.

Young Farmers Have Business Meeting

Silverton Young Farmers met on Tuesday, December 16 at 7:00 a.m. at the City Cafe for their regular meeting.

The turkey shoot to be held Saturday, December 20, was discussed and final plans were made. Members discussed the Young Farmer State Convention to be held at the Astro Convention Center in Houston on January 15-17. During the convention, Calvin Shelton will be installed as Area I State Vice President.

Those attending the breakfast meeting were Ed Lain, Bill Rampey, Jerry Baird, Harvey McJimsey, Ed Holland, Tobe Riddell, Calvin Shelton, Aaron Younger, Dwain Henderson, Fred Minyard, Dan Herrington and Wayne Stephens.

Mrs. Merl Oneal brought the devotional on the birth of Baby Jesus.

Lovely refreshments were served from tables with pretty Christmas decorations.

The closing prayer was by Mrs. Jessie Bomar.

Next meeting will be on the second Friday at the church with Mrs. Opal Hyatt as hostess.

In Bali, Silence Greets New Year

In Bali, once every four hundred days quiet descends. On this day nothing stirs on the whole densely populated island. People speak of it as "the Silence," the Balinese New Year.

On every other day the roads are crowded with hawkers, people going to and from market, small boys driving oxen or buffaloes and in general, people hurrying. On New Year's, however, no one moves about and every sound is hushed. Each family stays home to observe the Silence.


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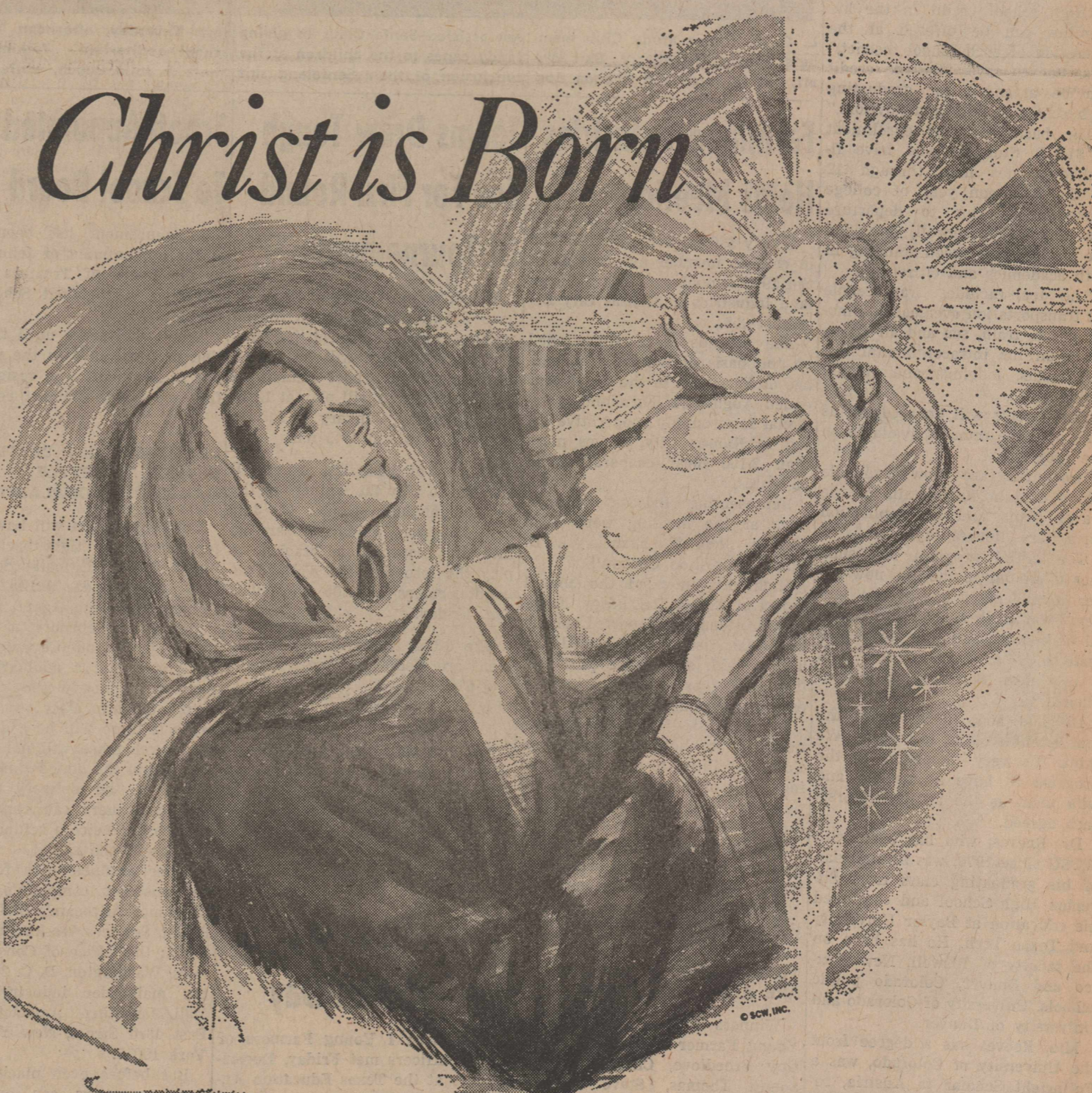
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½ cup light corn syrup
1 teaspoon vanilla

3 cups popped corn
1 cup pecan halves
1 cup whole unblanched almonds, toasted

In saucepan, combine sugar, butter or margarine, and corn syrup. Bring to boil over medium heat, stirring constantly. Continue boiling, stirring occasionally, till mixture turns caramel color. Remove from heat and stir in vanilla. Pour syrup over popped corn and nuts on shallow pan. Separate into clusters with two forks. Store in tightly closed bag or container. Makes about two pounds.

ONLY GENTLEMEN

On New Year's Day in early Amsterdam, great bowls of punch were set out surrounded with cookies and cakes made from cherished family recipes, and Dutch wives donned their best dresses and sat in the parlor to await callers. They were holding the first "open house". It is interesting that only the gentlemen went calling; the women had to stay home to receive guests until some practical soul arranged a list of calling hours to the women could get out too.

PREDICTIONS

Man has always been curious about what the future brings and about things unknown. Predictions are made in the world of politics, relations with other countries as well as personal affairs. It's hardly possible to be indifferent about the New Year. We cannot help dwell for a moment on the happenings and personal events of 1974—and we have hopes and plans for 1975. Have a good year!

MISTLETOE

The traditional time for the French to exchange gifts as we Americans give on Christmas is New Year's Day. It is also the season when everybody calls on his friends and relatives. Also, it is at New Year's that the old Druid custom is observed of hanging a large clump of mistletoe above a doorway so that people may exchange kisses when they walk under it.



New Year's festivals, among the oldest and most universally observed, generally include rites and ceremonies expressive of mortification, purgation, invigoration over life's renewal.

The earliest-known record of a New Year's festival dates back from about 2000 B.C. in Mesopotamia, where the year began with the new moon nearest the spring equinox (mid-March; Babylonia) or nearest the spring equinox (mid-September; Assyria). The year began for the Egyptians, Phoenicians and Persians with the autumnal equinox (September 21st) and for the Greeks, until the 5th century B.C., with the winter solstice (December 21st). By the Roman republican calendar the year began on March 1; after 153 B.C. the official date was January 1, and this was confirmed by the Julian calendar (46 B.C.).

In early medieval times most of Christian Europe regarded March 25th as the beginning of the year, though for Anglo-Saxon England New Year's day was December 25th.

William the Conqueror decreed that the year start January 1, but later England began its year with the rest of Christendom on March 25th. January 1st was restored as New Year day by the Gregorian calendar (1582), immediately adopted by Roman Catholic countries. Other European countries followed suit.

RECIPE

1 cup friendly words
2 heaping cups understanding
4 teaspoons time and patience
Pinch of warm personality
Dash of humor
Mix together. Keep temperature low. Do not boil. Season to taste with spice of life. Serve in individual molds.

20th Century and Santa Claus

In this twentieth century, many persons wonder whether Santa Claus and the giving of presents have become too commercialized. Small children are bewildered when they see more than one St. Nicholas on the street or in stores. When we consider the traditions with him, we are amazed at what has happened to him.

Several cities, including New York, and Hollywood, stage elaborate parades, featuring Santa Claus, that draw thousands of spectators.

We have a town that glorifies St. Nicholas, not far from Evansville, Indiana, a small community called Santa Claus. It is said that in 1882 at a general store on Christmas Eve, residents were discussing what to name their town, when Santa Claus walked in. At once someone called out, "Let's call it Santa Claus!" and so it got its unusual name.

Nowadays, at Christmas time, this is one of the busiest places imaginable. Mail arrives from every state and even from other countries to be stamped with the postmark "Santa Claus".

Turn of the Year Can Be Important

In spite of our heritage, we make very little of the turn of the year. The vague feeling remains that it is an occasion to be recognized, the sense that it is a time when people should get together, as families do to celebrate a birthday. Just because it is a holiday that once focused men's deep emotions about the past and the future and the continuity of time, the New Year may again become important with meaning. A world society that must take into account the lingering traditions of all people may come to observe it as a day in which humanity can celebrate a common birthday in time.

Start New Year By Playing It Safe

Never drink if you will be driving. Fifty percent of fatal accidents during the holiday season involve persons driving under the influence of alcohol.

Remember that traffic is usually heavy and road conditions are often poor during this season... so extra caution is required.

Have snow tires installed on your car if you live in an area where snow and ice often coat the roads.



Christmas Cheer

We hope your holidays are filled with all of the joys of the Season

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Dear Charlotte,

'Twas the night before Christmas, and all through the house
Everyone was stirring except my dear spouse.
All had been wrapped, polished, and done, (including me).
And I felt like a dead partridge on a low limb of a pear tree.
The children weren't even close to their beds—
As television and Beate records blared through their heads.
Daddy had settled in his chair for a well deserved nap,
Golf magazine and TV Guide had slipped to his lap.
When out in the den there arose such a clatter,
I sprang from the dish water to see what was the matter.
The Christmas tree was falling and leaning toward town
And at any moment would come crashing down.

"Let me open a present, Mama; please just one—
"You never let me have any fun."
"May I go to the Top Burger?" came from the other.
"I don't like ham and turkey; please, can't I, Mother?"
And "Something's burning; it must be the pie," and "I forgot to wrap Daddy's new tie."
The smoke from the kitchen encircled my head like a wreath,
As Santa roused from his chair and shouted, "Good grief!
"What's all this hustle and bustle and noise?
"Get the children to bed and give me the toys.
"Did you get Betty Ann her new bike and Bill a new ski?
"I do wish you could be as efficient as me.
"I know I told you the budget was slim
"But you know we have just one her and one him—

Dear Santa

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
My name is Denny Wayne Hill. I am four years old. I think I've been a pretty good boy.
Please bring me a big, long firetruck and a John Deere tractor with a cab and some plows. I would also like a Six Million Dollar Man and an Evel Knievel stunt cycle.
Thank you,
Denny

DEAR SANTA,
My name is Katrice. I am six years old. Would you please bring me a Baby-that-away, a doll buggy and a toy box. My little brother's name is Anthony. He is three years old. He would like a digger the dog, toy box and a big wheel.
Don't forget my cousins, Jason, Lorrie, Missy and Amy.
We love you,
Katrice and Anthony Minyard

forget all the other boys and girls. We love you.
Jason and Lorrie Minyard

DEAR SANTA,
I want a doll, cradle, high chair, blanket and pillow and a pogo stick. I've been a good girl and I love you. I'm going to leave some money out for you, \$1.03, because of all the toys I want. I'm also leaving some chocolate chip cookies and some coke for you. Can you give Daddy a pretty shirt, tie and pants? You're a nice Santa Claus.
Tara Nance

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Moreland had their Christmas early with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cox, in Lubbock. Their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Moreland and family of Amarillo, were there also.

In any Language Make it 'Happy'

The most important holiday in January is New Year's Day. It is observed in the entire world, regardless of race or religious beliefs. Around the globe the greeting is "Happy New Year!" The language is different—but the greeting is the same.
"GELUKKIG NIEUW JAAR"
—Dutch
"BLAIDHAN NUA FE MHAISE DHUIT"—Irish Gaelic
"SHIN NEN O-ME DE TO"
—Japanese
"KUL EID MILAD WA AN-TUM KEKHAIR"—Arabic
—Egypt.

A TOAST
The word "wassail" is Anglo-Saxon and means "be well". Our modern practice of "drinking a toast" was derived from the custom of drinking wassail. Contrary to what many may think, the wassail was not a real blaster with brandy or whiskey base. Actually, it was nothing more than good old English ale, to which were added beaten eggs, and a custardy mixture flavored with nutmeg and sugar. Atop the wassail bowl, as a final touch, were floated pieces of toast, and these ale-soaked and soggy morsels were considered prized taste treats.

Should Children Earn Cash for Christmas?
Until children are old enough to earn their Christmas spending money, they should be given an amount to spend for friends and relatives.
As to the amount - they should be encouraged to enjoy giving - and getting - simple inexpensive presents.
If your children are old enough to earn their Christmas money but failed to do so, pleasantly point out that this is something they'll have to plan. A child should not be burdened with re-reminders about money he should have earned when there was no warning beforehand.

greetings



We hope the Holiday Season finds you cheerful, filled with laughter and joy throughout the coming year

MILDRED'S CITY CAFE

DEAR SANTA,
I am six years old and have tried to be a good boy. I would like for you to bring me a train, Evel Knievel stunt cycle and a record player. Don't forget my little sister, Lorrie. She has been a good girl and would like a Baby That-Away, doll buggy and cradle. Don't

"Why can't you relax; you've nothing to do—
"Parents have done this for years; it isn't very new,
"I hope you don't have anything that must be put together
"I'm so sleepy; it just must be the weather."
With a wink of his eye and a twist of his head
I knew right away he was headed for bed.
As I turned off the light and locked the back door,
A question came to me that I could not ignore.
"Is it all worth it?" I wanted to sing.
"It's Christmas," came back,
"And would you change a thing?"
"Not one thing," I whispered,
"when they are all out of sight,
"MERRY CHRISTMAS to all, and to all a GOOD NIGHT."
God bless you,
HB
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Walter Fleming has been a patient at Bethania Hospital in Wichita Falls for several days. His daughter-in-law, Mrs. Leo Fleming took him to Wichita Falls on Wednesday, and he expected to be discharged Sunday or Monday.

MODERN SANTA

In recent years St. Nick has gone quite modern by arriving from his home at the North Pole in different manners. In many cases he seems to want to leave his eight reindeer and sleigh at home, and use a new method of transportation. Cities, all over the country, vie with each other in finding novel ways to bring him to the communities. Not long ago Santa arrived in Chicago by parachute; he was luckier that year than a St. Nick who tried the same method in Florida, but got caught in some wires when making his descent.
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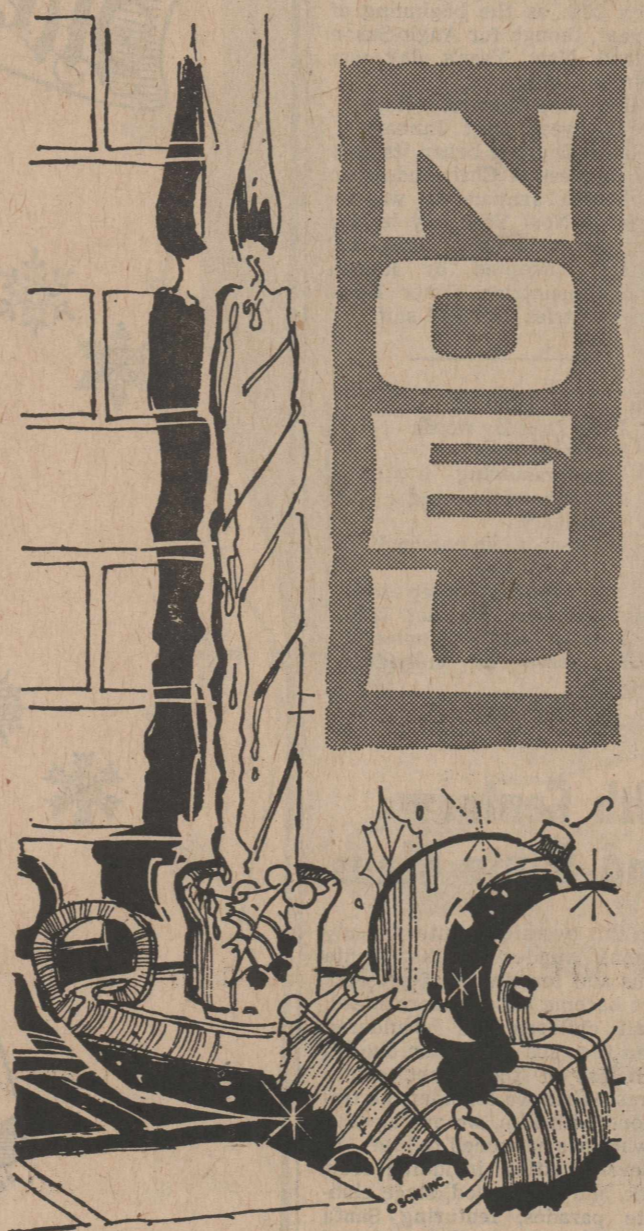
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PLAINS WEATHER IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC., OF P.O. BOX 1607, PLAINVIEW, TEXAS 79072, who holds License No. 75-4 of the State of Texas intends to engage in an operation to increase useful precipitation and decrease hail-fall by means of airborne silver iodide generators and pyrotechnics for and on behalf of Plains Weather Improvement Association, Inc., and will conduct such program by means of aerial application of artificial nuclei as follows:

- The area over or within which equipment may be operated shall include portions of these counties: Hale, Lamb, Castro, Swisher, Briscoe, Floyd, Crosby, Lubbock, Hockley, Randall, Deaf Smith and Parmer.
- The target within which hail-fall is intended to be decreased is described as follows: The outer boundary commencing at the point of intersection of the counties Hale, Lubbock, Hockley and Lamb; thence northward along the Hale-Lamb County line to the southern boundary of the Castro County; thence westward nine (9) miles along the Castro-Lamb County line; thence due north to State Highway 86; thence eastward along State Highway 86 to U.S. Highway 87; thence southward along U.S. Highway 87 to the northern boundary of Hale County; thence eastward along the county line to Farm Road 378; thence southward along Farm Road 378 to U.S. Highway 70; thence southeastward 1/2 miles along U.S. Highway 70; thence due south to the Floyd-Crosby County line; thence westward along the county line to the intersection with Lubbock County; thence southward eight (8) miles along the Lubbock-Crosby County line; thence due west to Farm Road 400; thence northward along Farm Road 400 to the Hale-Lubbock County line; thence westward along the county line to the intersection of the counties Hale, Lubbock, Hockley and Lamb, the point of origin.
- The equipment, materials, and methods to be used in conducting the operation are a weather radar system, cloud seeding aircraft and flares and liquid silver iodide generators for dispensation of silver iodide nuclei near cloud base.
- The person who will be in control and in charge of the operation will be H. Robert Swart.
- The operation will extend during the period beginning about March 15th and ending about November 30th each year for the period beginning 1976 through 1979.

Individuals, organizations, or agencies who consider that their interests will be adversely affected by the operation proposed may file a formal protest for consideration by the Board with the following:

WEATHER MODIFICATION AFFAIRS COORDINATOR
TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD
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Those whose names appear on this page extend to you their personal Christmas greetings. They have donated to the L. O. A. Junior Study Club Christmas Greeting Fund instead of sending greeting cards locally, and have made possible the improvement of the City Park in Silverton. This page was donated by the Briscoe Co. News.

happy new year!

Dear Santa

DEAR SANTA,
I have been a pretty good girl. I would like a Baby-That-Away, Baby Alive, an electric train and lots of candy.
Love,
Avonna Miller

DEAR SANTA,
I have been a real good girl. I would like a baby horse, a baby doll, an electric train and lots of candy.
Love,
Crystal Miller

DEAR SANTA,
Thank you for the nice toys you brought me last year.
Please bring me a Double-Mint or Raggedy Ann Sleeping Bag, a Lego set and a Rub-a-Dub dolly. Bring Diji something nice, too. Please remember all the other boys and girls.
I hope you eat one of the candy canes off of our tree.
Love,
Julia Ann Couch

DEAR SANTA,
I am a four-year-old good girl. Please bring me a pretty flower, an airplane, Snoopy soap dispenser, a Baby Tender Love, and a little screwdriver, a little stove and some earrings, and some diamonds and shoe strings.
Love, Santa Claus,
Amy Reid
Midland, Texas

DEAR SANTA,
I will tell you what I want. I want you to bring me a shotgun, twenty gauge and a football and a walkie talkie and a water proof watch and a car that holds cologne and I want a spin welder and a STTP.
Love,
Richard Reid

DEAR SANTA,
My name is Tonnette. I have been nice. I would like to have a trampoline, record player, little pool table, and an Easy Bake Oven.
I also have a little brother named Terry. He would like a train and a gun.
Thank you,
Tonnette Miller, age 6

DEAR SANTA,
I have been a good little boy. I would like some cap pistols, clothes, fruits, nuts and candy for Christmas. Please don't forget my sisters and brothers and all the other boys and girls.
I love Santa,
Ricky Clardy

DEAR SANTA,
I want a tractor, a ball, play gun and a play boat. I love Santa Claus.
Love,
Kinan

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
I have tried to be a good little girl this year and hope you will remember me. I have enjoyed the toys you brought me last year a lot and "thanks for them." This year I would like to have Mrs. Beasley, some Leggo blocks, a horse barn with animals and a record player and records. I will leave cake and cookies for you under our tree on Christmas Eve; also I want to give you a beautiful white puppy for your Christmas present; he is a Husky, so he will like a home at the North Pole. Please remember all the good boys and girls all over the world. I will try to be nicer at bedtime if you will remember me.
I love you,
Suzann Settle

DEAR SANTA,
I want a Baby Tender-Love and a You Scoot That Away. And bring something for my baby brother.
Love,
Melissa Frazier

DEAR SANTA,
I want a BB gun and some play money and a Mighty Mo.
Love,
Jeff Frazier

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
I want a Doodle Art and I want a magic set and I want a Baby Alive, safari set, a baby bed, a basketball. I have been a good little girl. I will leave you a snack and I am going to leave eight carrots for the reindeer.
Love,
Nortina

DEAR SANTA,
I want a Baby That Way for Christmas. I will leave some car-

rots for the reindeer. And a glass of milk and some cookies on the bar.
Love,
Debra

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
How have you been? I am fine, Santa. Please bring me a pair of walkie talkies. I have been a good little boy lately. Please bring my brother, Peter, a pellet gun. I love you.
Love,
Eddie Martinez

DEAR SANTA,
My name is Will Rowell and I am five years old. I am a pretty good boy most of the time. I would like for you to bring me a Big Wheel for Christmas. I also want a Six Million Dollar Man and some guns. My big sister, Donna, wants some clothes and Connie wants a

bike. Please remember all the other kids everywhere. I will leave you some cookies and milk on the coffee table.
Love, your friend,
Will

DEAR SANTA,
I want an air hockey game. I have been a good boy.
Your friend,
Corey Robertson

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
I am a little girl and my name is Jana. I am four years old. I would like to have a kitchen set and a baby doll, also a view-master with pictures.
I have a little sister named Heather and she's two years old. She wants some trucks and a tractor like Daddy's. You might go ahead and bring her a baby doll, too.

I have a new baby brother named Brandon and he's only 2 1/2 weeks old. He needs some little toys to play with.
We have been pretty good and we hope to see you real soon.
Love,
Jana, Heather and Brandon
Kitchens

DEAR SANTA,
I want a Snoopy with a Santa suit, just a cap and coat pants and I want a drum and I want a BB gun and I want knee pads and I want a mask and I want a chest protector and I wish you will bring me all that stuff, please, Santa.
Joe Ted Edwards
P. S. Please bring Corky a chew bone.

DEAR SANTA,
I am a little boy two years old. My name is Cody Neil Whitfill

and I live on a farm in Silverton, Texas. I love you very much and will leave you something good to eat on your Christmas visit. I have been a very good boy this year although sometimes my mother disagrees a bit! I would like you to bring me some toys for Christmas. I would like to have a road grader, a truck, a put-put train, and a farm set. Thank you, Santa, for being so nice to all children and making them so happy. Please remember my little friends, Brian and Kami Martin, Bradley Brunson, Julie Towe, Kimberly and Keeli Burson and Dusty Martin because they have been trying as hard as

I have to be good boys and girls. I want to ask you to be especially nice and bring lots of toys to my cousin, Rhett Montague, because I love him so much and he shares his toys with me.

Ho, Ho, Ho, Merry Christmas,

Cody Whitfill
P. S. If you think you can get it on your sleigh, my Grandmom wants a garage.

DEAR SANTA,
Please bring me a Star Trek Gift Set and an Army Machine Gun. I have been a good boy. Also a remote control army tank. If you can't get me an army tank, I'll settle for a Jeep.
Spencer Wright
Austin, Texas
I am 6 — 1975

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
I never fight this year. We all want to see you. All of my sisters want to see you, too. My Mother has the Christmas tree. We got our presents, but we need Sylvia's present. We all like you.
To Santa Claus
From Norma Jean Trevino

Season's Greetings

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Dear Santa

DEAR CLAUSEE,
Please excuse the missing Santa, but you are "Clausee" around our house this year 'cause that's what my two-year-old brother calls you.

My name is Brandon, and I am six years old. I am writing this letter for my three brothers and myself. I love you, and I have been as good as can be under the circumstances — two older brothers and one little brother are a bit much to handle sometimes, but I feel like you understand all about kids and growing up.

I would like a Big Wheel (be sure it has spinning brake). Blaine and Barry would like an air hockey game together. My little brother, Blake, would like a riding toy for the house—that means it can't be too big, and make it halfway easy on the house and furniture please (you know how these moms can be).

Say "Hello" to Mrs. Claus. I am looking forward to seeing you soon. We will leave you cookies and a coke on the coffee table.

Much love,
Brandon

DEAR SANTA,
I want a Thund Shift 500 and a train set and a USS Enterprise and a SWAT uniform and a welding kit and a gun fight at OK Corral and some drums.
From Scotty

DEAR SANTA,
I would like a guitar and a surprise.
Love,
Melannie

DEAR SANTA,
I would like a cowgirl hat and a jumping horse.
Love,
Ginger

DEAR SANTA,
I would like a tricycle and a police hat. Don't forget to bring Casey something.
Love,
Jamie

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
I have been a good girl this year. I would like a bicycle, a doll, an electric blanket and a ring for

Christmas. I am eight years old.
Love,
Kori Baird

DEAR SANTA,
This is what I would like to have for Christmas. Please bring me a bean bag chair, a record player and a Baby Bless You. Don't forget the other girls and boys.
Love,
Melissa Stone

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
I wish for a horse and wagon. I have been a good boy. Please bring my brothers something, too.
I love you,
Todd

DEAR SANTA,
I want you to bring me a Baby Alive. Dear Santa, I love you.
Shavonne

DEAR SANTA,
I have been good all year. I have a new brother, his name is Eric. Please bring him some toys and fill his stocking. Please bring me a Evel Knievel, Evel Knievel Motorcycle, chopper and car, money safe.
I will leave you some pie and milk.
Love,
Tegan

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
I like you very much because you bring me toys, and this day bring me a record player and a Barbie and Magic Cards and my little sister wants a bubble gum machine and a Sherlock and a teddy bear.
Love,
Mary Alvarez

DEAR SANTA CLAUS,
This is what I want for Christmas: a typewriter and a Jewel-magic. My little brother wants an Evel Knievel and a set of small cars.
Gloria and Sontas Segura

DEAR SANTA,
I want some drugs, a gun, a ventriloquist doll, an Evel Knievel Sky Cycle. I want to wish you a merry Christmas and a happy new year.
Love,
Cal



Let the Spirit of Christmas
be your guide as you find
Peace and Love for your
fellow man during this
Holy Holiday Season

**Dorothy, Don & Charlotte
Bill & Mable**



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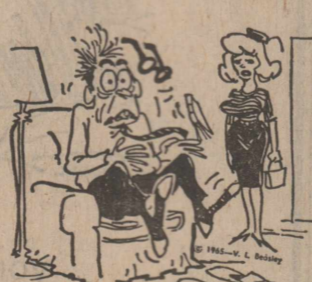
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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Silverton, Texas, will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. December 30, 1975, at the Council Room of the City Hall in regard to the possible submission of an application to the Department of Housing and Urban Development for a Federal Block Grant to partially finance improvements to the Water Supply and Storage System of the City and/or other improvements that may be considered.

The purpose of the meeting is to provide citizens with adequate information concerning the amount of funds available for proposed community development and housing activities, the range of activities that may be undertaken, and other important program requirements; to obtain the views of citizens.

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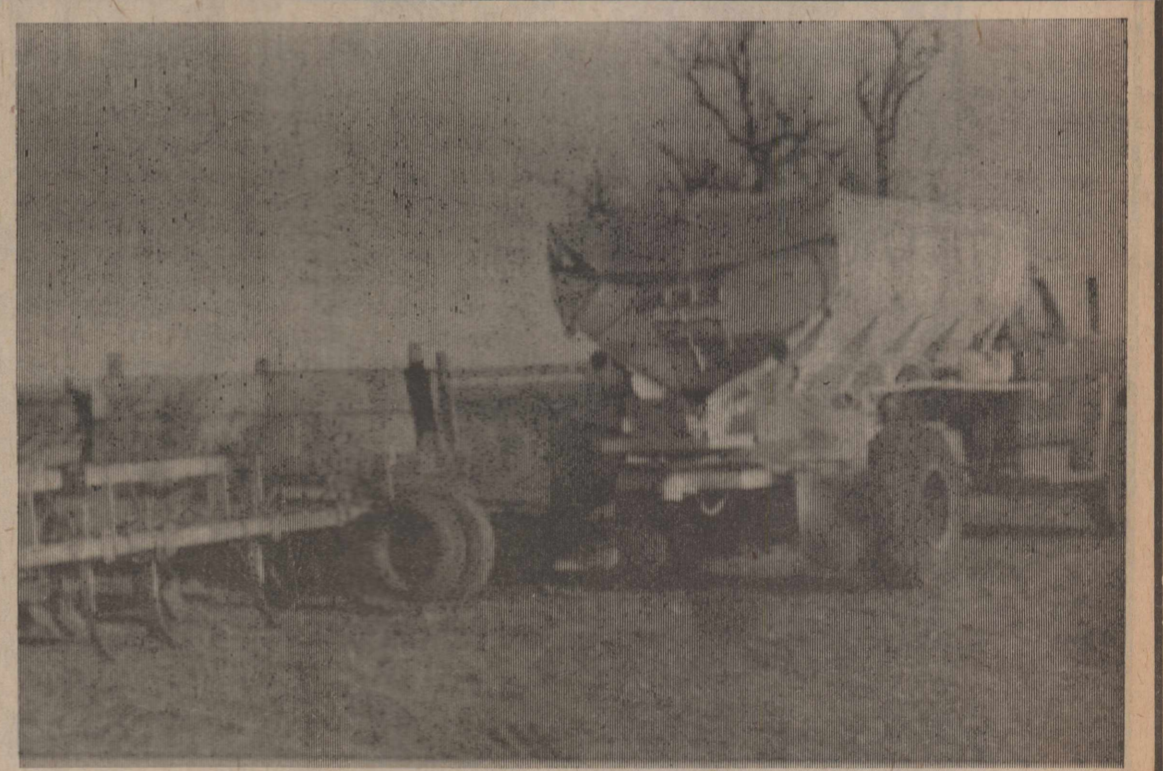
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