

Deer Hunters Have Varying Luck

Several local deer hunters were in the field last week. Dr. and Mrs. C. U. Callan came in Friday with a nice buck and a turkey.

Mr. and Mrs. George Field hunted three days, getting a whitetail buck. Leon Duke with his parents of Loraine hunted in the Leakey country two days.

Several parties plan to close the season next week at their favorite spots.

Campbell On Christmas Duty In Alaska

Dyess Air Force Base, Texas—Airman First Class Edward D. Campbell, son of R. O. Campbell, rt. 2, Rotan, will be performing temporary duty at Eielson AFB, Alaska, on Christmas Day with the 96th Bombardment Wing Alert Force.

Airman Campbell entered the United States Air Force in September 1950. As a jet mechanic of a B-47 medium bomber, Airman Campbell has served with the 96th Bombardment Wing at Dyess Air Force Base, Texas, since June 1960.

Dyess Air Force Base, at Abilene, is the home of the 819th Air Division which includes the 96th Bombardment Wing and 341st Bombardment Wing. It uses B-47 medium jet bombers, and C124 Globemaster cargo planes in the performance of its mission as part of the Strategic Air Command. The base was activated in September 1955 and is one of the newest and most modern installations in the United States.

Airman Campbell is a graduate of Gregory-Portland High School, Gregory, Texas, and is married to the former Barbara Jean Barfield of La Porte, Texas. They presently reside with their sons Edward Jr. and Ronald Dean at 989 Dandville Drive, Abilene.

Morrow Drug Holding Christmas Sale

Morrow Drug is offering numerous specials for Christmas shoppers this weekend. See their ad in this issue.

LVNA Christmas Banquet Held Friday

A large crowd attended the annual LVNA banquet and Christmas Tree at Gann's Cafe Friday night.

After the banquet supper, gifts were exchanged from the beautiful Christmas tree.

Movies were taken throughout the evening by Roy Kingsfield, which will be shown at a later date to members of the association.

Husbands were guests. The next regular monthly meeting of LVNA will be January 2nd at 7:30 p. m. usual place.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Swearingen and Mr. Walter Swearingen attended the funeral of James David Swearingen, Sunday at Comanche. Mr. Swearingen was a brother of Walter Swearingen and had lived at Comanche most of his life.

Mrs. C. C. Rister of Lubbock visited Dr. and Mrs. J. Frank Johnson Friday as she was returning from a visit in Louisiana.

Hospital News

Local patients admitted to Callan Hospital from December 13 to 20 were, Mrs. S. A. J. Willingham, Hattie J. Tillman, Mrs. Julius Knesek, Mrs. H. Sharp, Mrs. Ernest Wayne Taggart, Mrs. Dan M. Ferris, Mrs. W. B. McKimmey, Lynndon Hefferman, Lawrence Ramirez, Mrs. Cresencio Sauseda, Mrs. Gene Smith, Pete Jordan, N. I. Temple, Adella Perales, Mrs. Bob Byerly, Mrs. R. L. Tidmore, Mrs. Cley Coggins, Mrs. H. B. Robertson, David Hargrove, Mr. Sallie Harriman, Geo. Field, Mary Lou Irvin.

Out of town patients, Mrs. Earl Hall, Jeyton; Mrs. T. J. Fambro, Tullia; Lana Kay Harvison, McCaulley. A girl born to Hattie J. Tillman, (colored), Dec. 15. A girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Smith, (colored), Dec. 18. A boy born to Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Ferris, Dec. 18. A boy born to Mr. and Mrs. Julius Knesek, Dec. 16.

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Gins Nearing 3,000 Bale Mark Wednesday

Local gins reached 28,175 bales Wednesday afternoon, after being hampered by several days of bad weather during the past week.

Cotton gathering is again moving nicely and the thirty-thousand mark is expected to be reached in a few days.

All four gins are announcing closing Friday night for Christmas and opening next Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Willingham Dies After Brief Illness

Mrs. S. A. J. Willingham, 81, prominent Rotan pioneer, died in Callan Hospital at 1:45 p. m. Sunday following a brief illness.

Funeral service was held at 11 a. m. Tuesday at Hobbs Baptist Church with Rev. Aleman Martin of Cisco officiating. Burial was in Hobbs cemetery under direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home. Grandsons were pallbearers.

Mrs. Willingham had lived at the family ranch home in the Hobbs community since 1890. She was born April 13, 1879 in Hawkins County, Tennessee, the former Bessie Hayter, daughter of Mr. and Robert Hayter, pioneer Fisher County settlers. They came to Fisher County from Rogersville, Tenn., in 1890. She was married to Mr. Willingham at Hobbs in November 1896. He preceded her in death, May 1, 1950.

Survivors are two sons, Archie of Sweetwater and Sterling of Hobbs; one daughter, Mrs. Parker Kennedy of Rotan; two brothers, Jack Hayter of Sierra Blanca and Joe Hayter of Fort Stockton; five grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. One son, B. C. Willingham, died in 1912 at the age of 8.

Carter Leads H-SU Rifle Competition

Eleven Hardin-Simmons University Reserve Officer Training Corps placed fourth in the small bore rifle competition at the Central Texas Conference Rifle Meet at Fort Hood recently.

Jimmie Carter of Rotan was a member of the team. The team scored 3,353 of possible 4,000. High individual scorer was Jimmie Carter with 370 points of a possible 400 points.

Much Damage Resulting From Improper Terraces

"End blocks" that are too high on terraces are costing farmers in the Upper Clear Fork Soil Conservation District untold damage each year," says Mike Brown of the Soil Conservation in Rotan.

End blocks that are too high not only cause broken terraces but contribute directly to loss of valuable topsoil. Farmers who have broken terraces year after year will need to take a careful look at four things. First, are his terraces level? If not they should be corrected. Are his terrace end blocks more than two-thirds (2-3) of the effective ridge height of his terraces; if so, they are too high. Field terraces that are one and one-half feet high should not have a block of over one foot. This is known as a "full" block. A "partial" block is one-half the effective ridge height or seven to eight tenths of a foot and one-half ridge height. Partial blocks are usually used adjacent to grassed areas. Second, terrace blocks and fills need to be made with soil brought from all directions and from smoke distance. A block or fill made immediately adjacent will simply pocket water during the next rain and contribute to another break. Third, blocks need to be replaced after each rain; if not, terrace channels will erode and become graded terraces. Fourth, terraces should not drop their water into gullies. In cases such as this a sloped and grassed area may be needed. If grassed areas are available a "partial" block might be in order on the grassed end and a "full" block on the other end.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Garland and son, David, a student at John Tarleton, Stephenville, who is here for the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Max Garland in Dallas.

Heavy Holiday Traffic Toll Is Predicted

The Texas Department of Public Safety predicted today 176 persons will meet violent death in traffic, murder and suicide, and other fatal accidents during the 10-day period embracing the Christmas-New Year holidays.

Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., department director, said experience in previous holiday periods and other statistical factors indicate 90 persons will be killed in traffic, there will be 46 homicide and suicides, and 40 persons will die in fires and other non-traffic accidents.

He announced that "Operation Deathwatch", a grim tabulation of holiday deaths, will be in effect from 12:01 A. M. Friday, December 23 to 11:59 p. m. Sunday, January 1.

We hope our prediction is too high, and through the most concerted and coordinated effort in history this year, we will be doing everything in our power to hold down traffic deaths, particularly during the holidays," Garrison said.

"Our Regional Commanders have been instructed to have every available man on duty and all radar units working during this period in an extra-special effort to maintain the existing reduction in traffic fatalities effected so far in 1960.

"We hope to wind up this year with approximately 170, or about seven per cent, less fatalities if we can hold the trend which has apparently been established.

"Operationally, department personnel will attempt to achieve the most effective enforcement program possible during the period, and thru a coordinated, statewide information program an all-out effort will be made to keep the public advised of and aware of the special hazards of holiday driving and the need for legal driving at all times. Experience has shown without a doubt that in most fatal traffic accidents, at least one violation of the traffic laws is a causative factor."

Garrison said participants in this campaign include the Governor's Highway Safety Commission, the Department of Public Safety, the Texas Association of Broadcasters, the Texas Council of Safety Supervisors, the Oil Field Haulers Association, the Associated General Contractors, the outdoor advertising media, the Texas Highway Department, the Texas Safety Association, and the press, radio and television media.

N. K. Woerner, manager of the Statistical Services Section, said all indications are that Saturday, December 24 will be the high "motorcade" day with Friday, December 23 and Sunday, December 25 to tie for second. New Year's Day he said is expected to be third.

He reported that the last time Christmas and New Year's day fell on Sundays was in 1955. That year, in the 10 day period, there were 81 fatal accidents resulting in 102 motorcides.

Last year for a 12-day period Woerner's section estimated 111 motorcides, 47 suicides and homicides and 42 other accident deaths. Final count, perhaps as a result of the enforcement and information efforts, was 97 motorcides, 47 suicides and homicides and 42 other accident deaths. Final count, perhaps as a result of the enforcement and information efforts, was 97 motorcides, 47 suicides and homicides and 42 deaths in other accidents.

Seed Delinting Plant Now in Operation

Rotan Seed Delinting Plant is now open for business at their location on south highway 70.

This modern plant, managed by Austin McKinney is equipped with all new machinery to do a first class job of delinting planting cottonseed and treating them.

This will relieve farmers of having to drive great distances for the service.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jackson of Hamlin and W. J. Jackson of Coahoma visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jackson.

Eva and Shirley Hartsfield visited in Crane and Austin last weekend.

Posse To Ride In Inaugural Parade Jan. 20

Fisher County Sheriff Posse again won signal honors when they were accepted as one of two units to represent Texas in the inaugural parade in Washington, January 20. The other unit is to be a band.

After the Posse was accepted, officials of the organization figured on the group traveling by rail, but this proved too expensive. Plans now call for 45 persons to make the trip by chartered bus and 25 horses to be transported by truck and van. Hotels have been sold out for weeks, so Bobby Clark, son of Posse President, O. R. Clark, who was recently stationed at Quantico, Va., got in contact with Congressman Omar Burleson in regard to the Posse group living in empty Marine barracks and horses placed in stables on the grounds. Burleson soon had arrangements completed for the group.

Plans are being made to raise funds for expense of the trip to be announced in next edition.

VA Annual Income Questionnaires

The Veterans Administration Central Office has recently released instructions to field offices in connection with the preparation, dispatch, and processing of annual income questionnaires in disability and death pension cases and in instances where dependent parents are in receipt of dependency and indemnity compensation.

As in the past, the annual income questionnaire and instructions for its completion will be forwarded to each payee with his December 1960 check. The questionnaire will be in the form of a punched card which will be automatically processed through tabulating machines upon its return to the Veterans Administration. Returned questionnaires will be processed several times through sensitive tabulating machines. For this season, it has been requested by the VA that care be exercised in the handling of the questionnaires. Paper clips, staples and other metal fasteners should not be used. Care should be taken to avoid bending, folding or otherwise mutilating the cards. It is preferred that the cards be completed in ink, since completion by typewriter will cause bending of the card and might cause impressions on the card which would make the processing by tabulating machines impossible.

Where processing by tabulating machines is made impossible due to mutilation of the card, a delay in processing will result and this will very possibly cause a delay in receipt of benefit check by the payee. Questionnaires will not be forwarded to any payee whose award of pension is approved after October 20, 1960. In all other cases, the payee will receive an income questionnaire, except that a questionnaire will be forwarded to the guardian or fiduciary of incompetent and minor payees.

It is extremely important that all income of the payee be reported on the questionnaire. In cases of veterans receiving pension under 86-211. All the income of his wife should also be reported. The Veterans Administration will deduct \$1200.00 from the wife's income in computing income of the veterans. It should be borne in mind that the VA will make this deduction. The veterans should not deduct the first \$1200.00 of his wife's income when completing the questionnaire.

Your Veterans Service Officer, Steve Kelley.

Jaycees Selling Drawing Tickets

Rotan Jaycees have, for the past few weeks, been selling tickets for a shotgun or rifle to be awarded Christmas. Drawing is to be Saturday at 5:00 p. m.

Tickets are \$1.00 each and the winner will have his choice between a Remington 12 ga. automatic shotgun or a Remington 30-06 pump rifle with a scope. Tickets may be purchased from any Jaycee. You do not have to be present to win.

Mrs. Alvin Clark and Mrs. Fern Benson received word their aunt, Mrs. W. H. Orley was seriously ill and in the hospital at San Angelo.

Christmas Edition In Mail Saturday

The Advance Christmas Edition goes in the mail Saturday morning. This edition contains greeting from many business of Rotan. Read them, they each have a special message of good wishes for you, to show appreciation for your patronage during the past year.

This will be the fifth issue of the Advance during December and take place of next weeks paper. Next Advance to appear January 5, 1961. The shop will be closed all next week in order for the force to have a belated vacation.

Jaycee-Ettes Lighting Contest Causing Interest

The Jaycee-Ettes lighting contest has caused much interest in Rotan and despite the bad weather of two weeks, numerous lighted decorations are beautiful at night.

Winners of the contest will be announced in the Christmas Edition, Saturday morning.

Bridges One of 29 McMurry Lettermen

George Bridges, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Bridges of Rotan, has been named a football letterman for the 1960 season at McMurry College in Abilene.

Bridges, a senior, earned his fourth letter this year. The Rotan halfback is one of 29 lettermen named by Coach Grant Teaff.

Bridges is majoring in physical education and minoring in history at the Methodist College.

Aunt of C. C. Roach Dies In Abilene

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Roach attended the funeral of Mrs. E. A. Bedichek in Abilene Monday. They also spent Saturday and Sunday there with the family. She was an aunt of Mr. Roach.

Mrs. Bedichek, 82, the widow of a pioneer Church of Christ minister, died Saturday after a long illness.

Taggarts Have Early Christmas Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Taggart entertained members of their family with a Christmas dinner Sunday. Their guests were their sons, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Taggart of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Euz Taggart of Rotan; and grandchildren and great grandchildren were Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Taggart, Sandra, Randy and Danny; Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Taggart, Vickie and Tammy all of Abilene; also attending the dinner was a friend, Mrs. Bernice Stockton. Mr. and Mrs. Ted Allen of Dallas were unable to be here because of an injury he received when a thumb was almost severed in a press while working on the Dallas News, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Berry and family visited Sunday in Sweetwater.

Carriker Attends State Industrial Meeting

Max D. Carriker, State Representative attended a Texas Industrial Commission meeting held in Abilene on Thursday, December 15.

Governor Price Daniel addressed the group that included members of the state legislature, officials of communities in this area; Chamber of Commerce representatives, commissioners, and advisory board members of the Industrial Commission.

The industrial future of Texas was pictured as one of the bright spots of the nation by Governor Daniel. In explaining the function of the Texas Industrial Commission, he said the purpose was threefold: to bring new industry to the state; encourage the expansion of existing industry; and to promote the development of natural resources to the fullest extent.

E. B. Germany, chairman of the Industrial Commission, pointed out that hundreds of letters have been exchanged during the past year with numerous special reports and authentic data sent to industrial prospects. His progress report showed 628 new plants coming to the Lone Star State and 878 plant expansions since 1958, with 458 new plants announced as ready to move to Texas some time in the future.

Chairman Germany described the Texas Industrial Commission as a clearing house of industrial information and pledged full co-operation with local and regional Chamber of Commerce, city officials and any other civic group with the common goal of the industrial development of the state.

John Ben Shepperd, who serves as chairman of the advisory board to the Commission, and Fred Husbands director of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce also spoke to the group of business and civic leaders. The four regional Chamber of Commerce directors in the state act as counselors to the Industrial Commission.

Gantt Attending Cisco Junior College

George Gantt, son of J. E. Gantt of rt. 2, Hemleigh is a sophomore at Cisco Junior College, majoring in PE and Agriculture.

He is a graduate of Hobbs High School, where he made National Honor Roll in 1958 in track; letterman 1958-59, and was a member of Parliamentary Ag Club for four years.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Roberts visited with Carl Underhill of Lamesa and attended North Side Baptist Church Sunday night. They returned home Monday.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Grindstaff for the holidays is Mr. Grindstaff's daughter, Miss Mary Grindstaff of Fort Collins, Colorado and also a son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Merion Grindstaff, Bob and Dana of San Jacinto, California.

HIS LAST DEFENSE



HD Club Holds Annual Christmas Party

Rotan Home Demonstration Club met December 16th in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Aaron for their annual Christmas Party.

Mrs. Richard Ray, in her charming manner gave the Christmas Juggler" by Notra Dame.

Mrs. L. E. Wright performed the installation service. The theme she used was "Outer Space"—the sun, moon and the stars representing each officer.

Incoming officer are president, Mrs. Barney Bigham; vice-president, Mrs. C. G. Campbell; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Richard Ray; Council Delegate, Mrs. Ornie Nowlin; assistant Council delegate, Mrs. C. A. Ragan; parliamentarian, Mrs. W. L. Terrell. Gifts were exchanged from a beautiful lighted Christmas tree.

Mrs. Aaron served hot spiced tea and fruit cake to Mes. Joe Henry, Vernon Frasier, C. G. Campbell, C. A. Ragan, C. C. Roach, Richard Ray, Cleo Shell, L. E. Wright, Barney Bigham, W. L. Terrell, Wayne Nowlin and two guests, Mrs. Ab Aaron and Mrs. Hal Burrow.

Select Toys That Suit Children; Not Their Parents

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

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

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

Useful Toys

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

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

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

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

For Girls

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

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

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ashley of Anaheim, Calif., are announcing the birth of a daughter on Dec. 17. The baby weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces and has been named Leighann. The Ashleys have two other children, a boy and a girl. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ashley are paternal grandparents.



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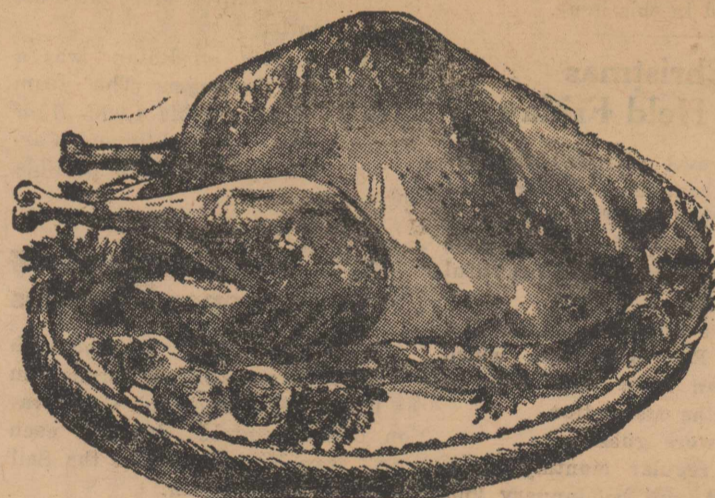
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The following will apply:

1% DEC. 1 THRU DEC. 31

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CITY of ROTAN

Alathean SS Class Has Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party for Alathean SS class was held in the home of Mrs. Ira Morrow, Dec. 15. The house was beautiful throughout with lovely Christmas decorations.

After songs were sung, Bro. Polnac read the Christmas Story from Luke 2, and led in prayer. Mrs. Davis, class president asked the social chairman, Mrs. Whitfield to take charge. A humorous and interesting debate followed. The subject, resolved "There is No Santa Claus" was ably discussed by Mesdames Hub Taggart, Leon, Roach and Dalton. The judges, Mesdames Parks, Campbell and Stockton gave the decision that "There is a Santa Claus." Gifts were exchanged from a lovely tree. Refreshments of fruit cake and whipped cream and coffee were served to the following members, Mesdames. Hub Taggart, Emmett Cave, J. H. Thompson, R. D. Sartor, C. E. Whitfield, Ella Leonard, Lee Hefner, Florida, D. L. Swint, Joe Taggart, Bernice Stockton, J. A. Brown,

Fillingim Family Have Christmas Dinner

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Fillingim for an early holiday dinner and Christmas Tree Sunday, were their children and grandchildren, Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Gilbert, Lisa, Jan, Stan and Susan of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Homer Fillingim, T. Ann and Alice of Crosbyton; Mr. and Mrs. Doyle McSpadden, Tina and Chip of Floydada.

Mrs. McSpadden and the children had spent the week here and was

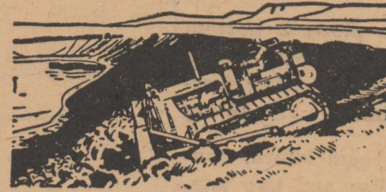
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joined by Mr. McSpadden Friday evening and they went to Leakey to attend the wedding of a friend. The men, both graduates of A&M were close friends and Doyle was best man in the wedding. Tina remained with her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fillingim and

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Chip stayed with his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman McSpadden while their parents were away.

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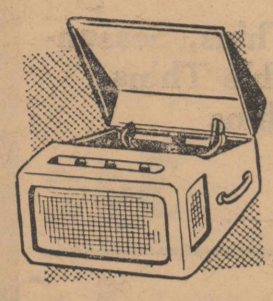
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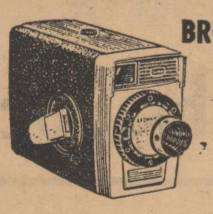
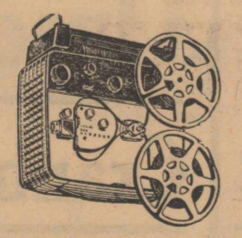
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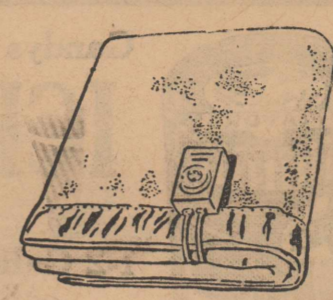
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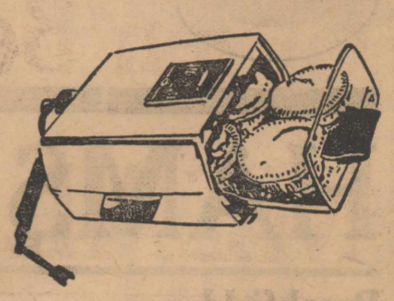


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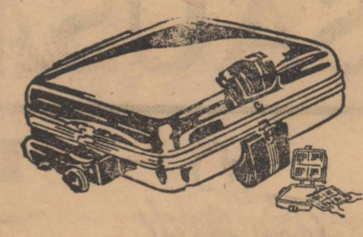
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SS Class Enjoys Christmas Party

A Christmas party for the Ina Jenkins Sunday School Class of the Methodist Church was given in the home of Mrs. Rena Colwell Dec. 12.

Gifts were wrapped for the nursing home.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Colwell and enjoyed by all.

Those attending each brought a money gift which was placed on a Christmas money tree and donations were given to the building fund of the Church.

Cotton Quiz

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Celebrating an early Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Neal were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Smith and Kathy Ann of Hamlin, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Riley, Nerissa, Cindy and Roy Delbert of Frankel City and Mr. and Mrs. Winfred Rodgers and Mitchell of Sweetwater.

Joe Burnes, who attends A&M arrived home Saturday to spend the holidays with his family.



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

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

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

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

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

Wrapping Hints

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

Don't Overdo It

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

Make Candle Fit

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

Plant Your Tree

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

Original Gift

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

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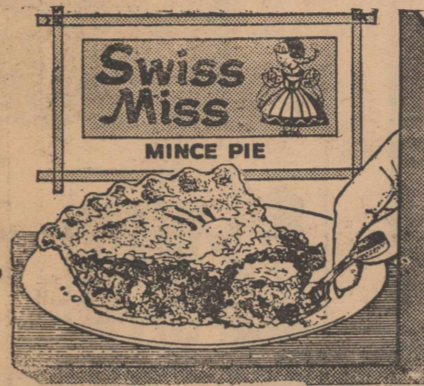


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Calendar Club Holds Christmas Affair

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Mac Weathersbee was the setting for the annual Christmas Party of the Calendar Club Friday at 7:30 p. m.

The front door was decorated with beautifully wrapped Christmas packages and pine cones, pine needles, red ribbon and Christmas balls were dominant in decorations from the home.

Guests were served from the beautifully decorated table.

Program was TV personalities, such as "What's My Line", "I've Got A Secret", "People Are Funny" and "This is Your Life" (Carolyn Weathersbee) with Wendell Morrow as Master of Ceremony. Mr. Morrow presented Mrs. Weathersbee with an ash tray from the Calendar Club.

After gifts were exchanged, tables were set up where games of "42" and bridge were played.

Guests attending the lovely party were, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Joe D. Burk, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Cade Jr., Dr. and Mrs. Maurice Callan, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. John Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Posey, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Joe Helms, Mr. and Mrs. Garvis Hinson, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jones, Dr. and Mrs. Benjie LeBleu, Mr. and Mrs. William Lyles, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McKimney, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Morrow, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Nowlin, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Morrow, Rev. and Mrs. Bill Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sheffield, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sumerlin, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Weathersbee, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Weems, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Womack, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Woods and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Mac Weathersbee.

Merri-Bee Club Enjoys Christmas Party

The Merri-bee Club met December 13 for their Christmas party in the home of Mrs. A. A. Aaron. Gifts were exchanged from a beautiful silver tree. All members except Mrs. O. R. Nowlin were present. Three visitors also enjoying the occasion were, Mrs. C. C. Bruce, Mrs. Nancy White and Mrs. Janie Dulaney.

Mrs. Charles Branch of Breckenridge, who is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Tom Stinson, was given a celebration Sunday in honor of her 83rd birthday.

Kindergarten Christmas Program Presented

Kindergarten Christmas program was presented Thursday, December 15 at 4:00 p. m. in the home of Mrs. J. E. Funk. Mothers were guests for the program of songs and readings.

Mrs. C. M. Callan assisted the children in receiving the guests and rooms were visited after the program.

Children appearing on program were, Wendell Gipson, Patricia Funderburg, Elizabeth Stinson, Marsh Hill, Morris Womack, Kevin Tandy, Toni Escobedo, Ross Trout, Ken Smith, David LeBleu, Robert Callan, Doyle Lawlis, Jack McCall, Peggy Edwards, Susan Eysnogle, Michael Foster, Richy Burrow.

TO EVERYONE

We wish you a Merry Christmas. For us Christmas will again be sad.

Death has now claimed another of our family, our brother, Earl V. Pearston of Archer City, Texas.

Recently our Mother had a brother and now another brother.

We will not be mailing greeting cards this time.

We hope you will understand, but in our hearts we wish you Merry Christmas.

W. H. and Florence Pearston.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Clark, Vivkie and June visited relatives in Abilene Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Poer and Lynna Lou visited here with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hartsfield and other relatives over the weekend.

Party in Johnson Home Honors Dr. Jack Callans

Dr. and Mrs. J. Frank Johnson used the Christmas theme in decorations when they entertained with a dinner at their home Saturday evening, honoring Dr. and Mrs. Jack Callan of Abilene. Other guests were Dr. and Mrs. C. U. Callan, Dr. and Mrs. Maurice Callan, Mr. and Mrs. George McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Posey, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Weathersbee, Dr. and Mrs. LeBleu, Charlotte Callan and Mr. and Mrs. Richard McDonald of Abilene.

GIFT WRAP IDEA



Wondering how to wrap those fragile Christmas gifts for mailing? Here's a suggestion from the National Cotton Council: wrap them in cotton wadding before placing in boxes for mailing. Your gifts will arrive at their destination safe and sound, even after being handled many times. The soft resiliency of cotton wadding makes it ideal for protecting fragile items.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Morton visited in Sonora with Rev. and Mrs. Doyle Morton and Carolyn last weekend.

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clerks and certain other employees approximately six (6) percent.

John W. Ashley,
Ex-official clerk of said Court.

Mrs. John Cross of North Roby, Mrs. Thelma Killen and John Ed of Sweetwater visited Mrs. Lint Moore Sunday and Mrs. Fannie Mae Peters visited Mrs. Moore Monday.

LAST MINUTE Suggestions

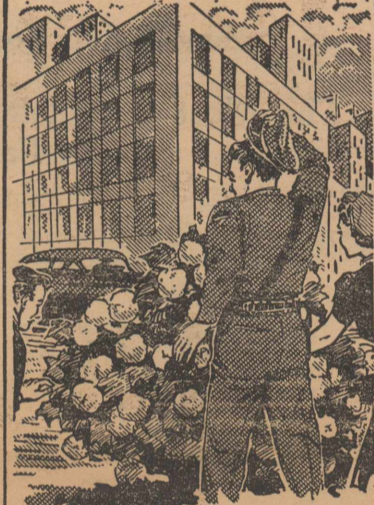
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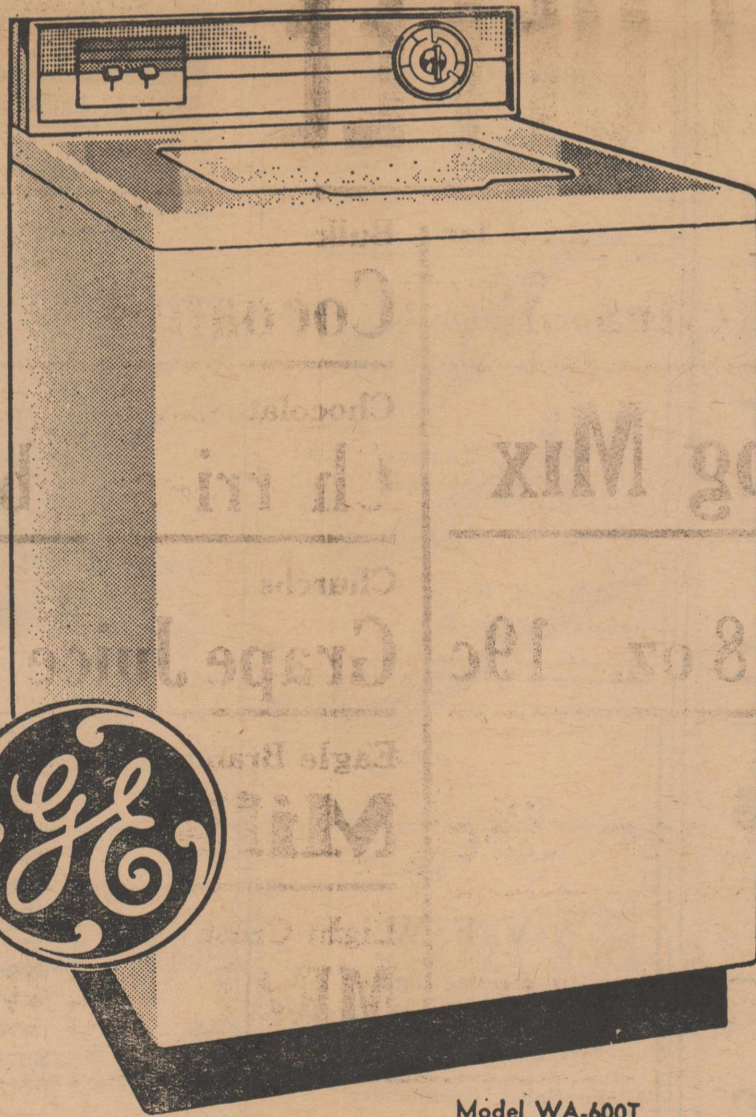
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The Methodist Young People went Christmas caroling Sunday night, and all hearing them reported they enjoyed it very much.

Mrs. Lee Williams is in Hendrick Memorial Hospital, Abilene where she had eye surgery last week. She is reported to be improving nicely.

Mrs. Margaret Cooper and son David took her mother Mrs. J. V. Hellums to Abilene Sunday morning and she went by plane to Knoxville, Tenn., to spend the holidays with the family of a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Cramer. She plans to be gone a month.

Mrs. C. G. Campbell is spending the holidays with relatives in Glen Rose.

Longer Life For Christmas Plants

Proper care will keep those Christmas plants looking lovely longer . . . Here are some pointers suggested by A. F. DeWerth, head of Texas A&M Department of Floriculture and Landscape Architecture.

Avoid drowning or water-logging plants by watering too often . . . On the other hand, remember that indoor atmosphere dries plants quickly. Follow directions for watering given with each plant. Drainage is important, too. If the pot is wrapped in metal foil, it may be necessary to cut a small hole in the bottom of the foil cover.

A potted cyclamen will bloom for several months if kept at a temperature of 65 to 68 degrees where it can be in morning light. Never allow soil to dry out completely while the plant is blooming. When it starts to lose leaves, allow the soil to become drier than in the growing season, but not powder dry. Some moisture must be present to keep the corm from drying up completely. Store in a cool dark place to carry it over a second season.

African violets need a sunny window during the middle of winter but can be put in the shade about the last of February. Let the soil get dry before watering, then use water several degrees warmer than room temperature.

Primroses need abundant light in winter and do best at about 65 degrees. Too much watering rot them, but they should not be allowed to dry out completely.

The Jerusalem cherry and ornamental pepper like cool temperatures, high humidity and plenty of sunshine. Smoke or gas in the room will cause leaves to drop.

Poinsettias will stay attractive for most of January if kept at temperatures around 65 degrees. Let them dry down gradually and then plant outdoors.

Mrs. Earl Keese of Stamford visited her sisters Mrs. J. V. Hellums and Mr. James B. Day here Saturday.

Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. J. H. Dawkins of DeLeon and A. W. Thomas were Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Childress of Eddie Thomas and sons of Winters, Sweetwater.

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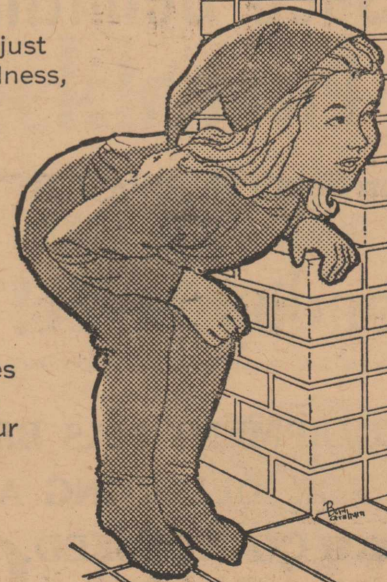
Who put the sock in Susie's Christmas?

One legend goes that the jolly old driver of the reindeer dropped some coins down a chimney on Christmas Eve night . . . as was his custom a long time ago . . . and instead of clinking on the hearth, they fell into a stocking hung up by a child from the mantel to dry.

Ever since that time, visits from the jolly old fellow, known as Old Santa, have been awaited by children like Susie . . . with very special eagerness, hoping he might fill their stocking with gifts!

Yet, Christmas was not created just for gifts . . . Christmas is for kindness, friendship, warmth and beauty. Only by keeping the spiritual meaning of Christmas can we hope to acknowledge the greatest gift to man: The First Christmas.

Let us help Susie understand this deeper meaning of Christmas . . . the joy that goes beyond her Christmas stocking. Why don't you sit down with your children now and tell them this greater story?



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Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good boy all year and I would like for you to send me lots of presents. I want a truck and a BB gun and a drum. My girl friend wants lots of Mickey Mouse funny books. My house does not have a chimney so I will leave the door open for you.

I love you, Santa.
Kenny McCasland.

Dear Santa:

My name is Susan Cade and here is my Christmas wish. I would like to have a toy typewriter and a pink poodle dog with black eye lashes. Thank you and God bless everyone.

love, Susan.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a bicycle, doll house, fruit, nuts, candy. I have been good.

Elsa Ramon.

Dear Santa:

I want a doll with a black pony tail. I want a tea set for my doll.

Margie Griffith

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a bride doll. I want a tea set for her. That is all I want.

Lois Griffith.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a Tina Tears doll, dishes, cook vessel and a life size cabinet for my dihes.

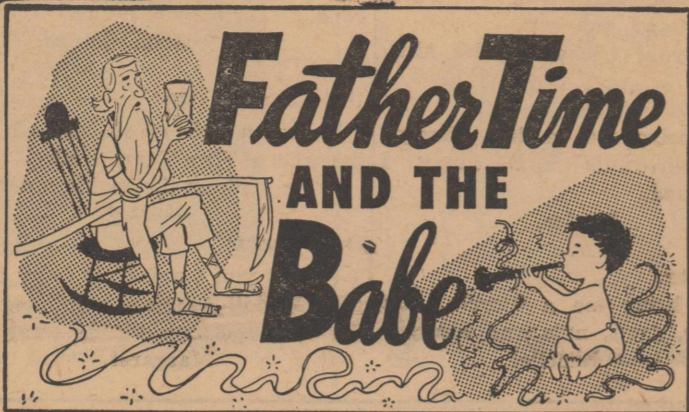
I have a baby sister nine months old. Please bring her a baby doll, a teddy bear, a monkey, some rubber toys, she can play with. Her name is Betty. I go to school this year. I could use a box of pencils and a tablet.

your friend, Rita Kersh.

Dear Santa:

I wish that I could really have a new doll for Christmas. Because I have had a lot of dolls for a long time. One of them is 5 years old. And the last one is 4 years old and the other 1 year old. And I want a new doll, sewing machine and a new dress and some other toys for my brothers and siter, too.

your friend, Lupe Gasper.



The symbol of Father Time is considerably older than the popular conception of Santa Claus. The Santa that we recognize today is of somewhat recent vintage when compared with Father Time, who is traced to Greek legend.

Father Time, complete with scythe and time-worn brow, comes to us as a descendant of the Greek god Cronus, lord of the universe. But, whereas Father Time is considered somewhat venerable, Cronus, like many of mythology's earthy gods, was not altogether an admirable fellow.

Bad Habit

According to legend, Cronus was warned that one of his children would dispose of him. To prevent such a happening, he developed a habit of swallowing them at birth. His wife, Rhea, upon the birth of their child, Zeus, hid the infant and presented Cronus with a stone wrapped in swaddling clothes.

Everything ended happily. Cronus disgorged the stone—as well as the previous children he had swallowed. Zeus later, as prophesized, dethroned his father and settled on Mount Olympus where he ruled as chief god of the Greek pantheon.

Symbol Emerges

Through the years, Cronus' name became confused with the word "cronos" which means time. Eventually, someone placed an hour glass in his empty hand and, together with the scythe, the popular image of Father Time was presented to the world.

The New Year Babe is not quite so easy to date, although it is known that a baby was paraded as a symbol of rebirth during the ancient Greek festival of Dionysus, which would make the Babe symbol almost as old as that of Father Time. A chief ceremony in the Eleusinian Mysteries also featured the image of a child.

More recently, a 14th century German folk song depicts the New Year Babe as we know it today—the symbol of a fresh, New Year.



What Is CHRISTMAS?

Christmas is made up of only wonderful things, happy children...laughter...love...joy...companionship...songs...kindness...all the acts and deeds that bring good will toward all men. These wonderful Christmas time thoughts we send your way this day...all the thoughts that bring joy to your home and peace to your heart. Yes, we wish you the merriest Christmas ever.

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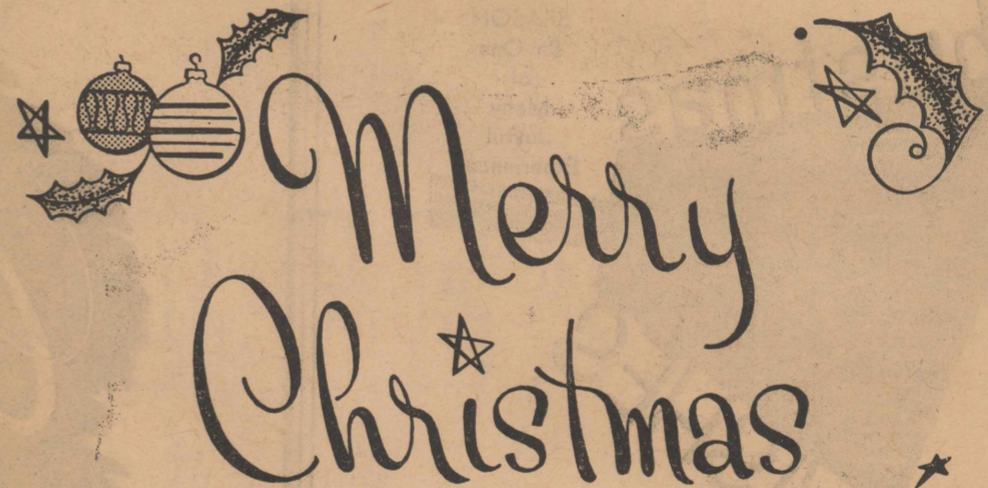
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*MAY you have a
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HOLIDAY
SEASON**

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Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a ball, a doll and record player, buggy, fruit, nuts and candy. I will be good.
Ray Flores.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a set of Wanted Dead or Alive. Wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
Lupe Ramon, P. O. Box 75.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a car, a doll and record player.
Lupea.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a ball, airplane, bicycle. I will be a good boy. And a gun.
Frank Ramon.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a doll, buggy, clothes, comb and fruit, nuts and candy.
Trenoi.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a talking doll and a reclining chair for a little girl. I have been a good girl all year and my little brother has been good too. Please bring him some little presents too. Be sure to remember all the other little boys and girls on Christmas morning. Thank you, Santa.
Kay Hardy.

P. S. I will have a surprise for you, Santa.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a doll, buggy, fruit, nuts and candy, I will be good. And a ball.
Mary Yanez.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a bicycle, car, ball, train, fruits, nuts and candy. I will be good.
Luis.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a record player. I want a machine gun. I want a Merry Christmas for all.
your friend, Jack Brown.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am nine years old and I am in the fourth grade. I want a watch for Christmas. I hope you stop my way.
your, Pamela.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a doll, ball, buggy, fruit, candy and nuts. I am good.
Alicia Lozano.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a bicycle, fruit, nuts and candy. I am good.

Dear Santa:
Please send me a play armyfield and a pair of "Have Gun Will Travel" holster and gun set.
your friend, Charles Alls

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll, buggy, piano, fruit, nuts and candy. I will be good.
Ritolca.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a bicycle, gun, train, car, fruit, nuts and candy.
Elicello.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a bicycle and a wee doll.
Marsha Tennyson.

Dear Santa:
I wood like to have a bike and a doll for Christmas.
Mary Ramirez

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a gun, bicycle, jacket, fruit, nuts and candy. I am good.
John Ortego.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a pair of skates and a b-ton and a Tiny Tears Doll.
from Letha Hegwood.

Dear Santa:
I want you to give my baby sister a little doll and a big doll for me, for Christmas.
Margaret.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a bicycle big enough for Roy and me, a post-hole digger, a trench mortar, a filling station and some new clothes.
Love Larry Don Singley.

EARLY COLONIAL LAWS BANNED YULE PRACTICES
Celebrating Christmas was frowned upon by Puritans in the early New England colonies. They did not observe holy days. The observation of Christmas and the making of mince pies were forbidden by blue laws in the Massachusetts and New Haven colonies.

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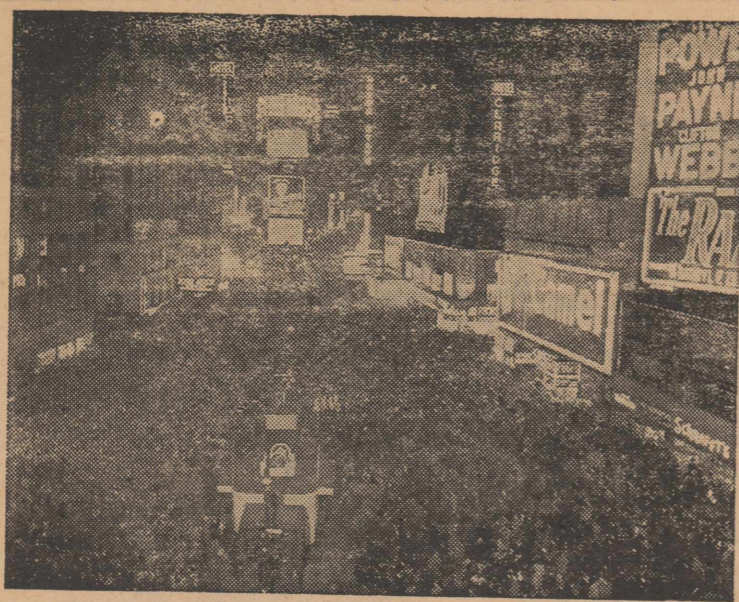
At this Joyous Season, we find ourselves thinking of old friends... those who have meant so much to us through the years... and those who have become our friends since Christmastide last passed this way.



EVERY GOOD WISH FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Foster Miller Gin Co.

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MAGIC HOUR . . . This is an old photograph, but it is a scene that is repeated year after year as thousands of merry makers jam into the streets of Times Square to await the magic hour when the old year passes and the New Year is born.

Farm Facts

Production per man hour on the farm has increased almost four times as fast as in industry during the past eleven years.



... this time-hallowed Yuletide greeting expresses the warm Christmas message of friendship and good will . . . peace and joy to all.

to Friends

With it we send our sincere thanks and appreciation for the business you have given us. We hope our service has pleased you . . . and that throughout the coming year you will think of us with the same friendly feeling we have for you.

Everywhere

CHRISTMAS
Greeting

Our friendliest wishes to you for a joyous Christmas season.

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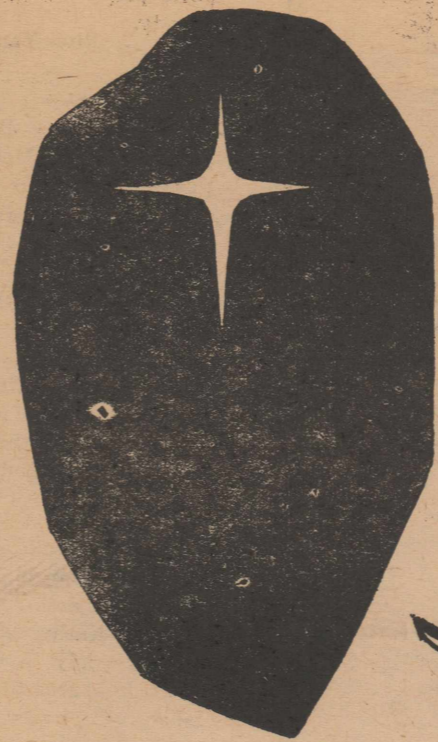
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May the Peace of Christmas be yours. Our best wishes to you at the Holy time.

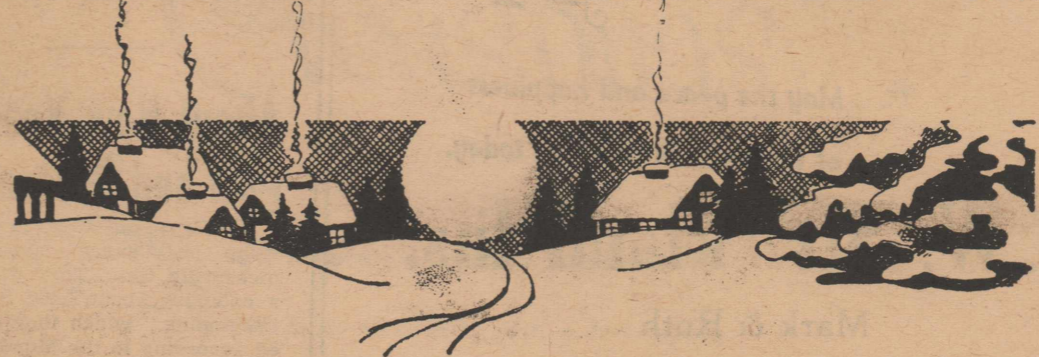
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HOLIDAY
GREETING



So now at this Holiday Season we want to express our sincere appreciation for the part you have played in making our business what it is today. We will always do our best to justify your faith in us, and in our ability to serve you well.

In the Spirit of Christmas we wish you the finest kind of a Holiday Season.

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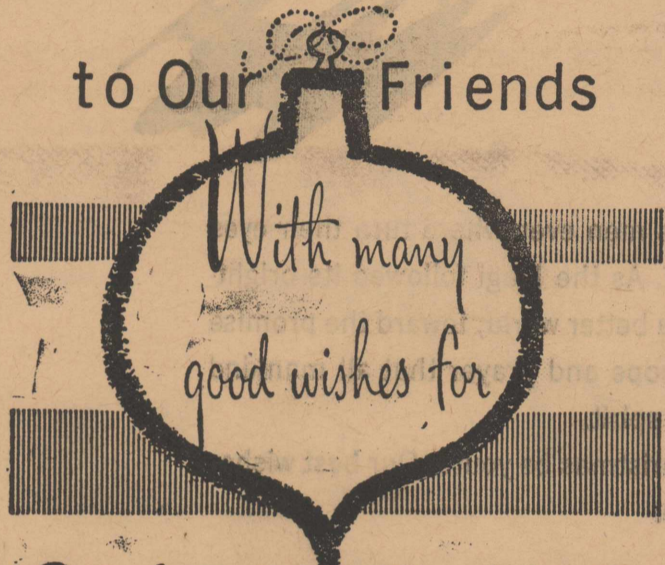
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Dear Santa:

I would like to have a doll, record player, buggy, fruit, nuts and candy.

Rita Yanez.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a BB gun, ball gloves, quick draw McGrey, hand puppets, a prehistoric time and some candy, nut and fruits. Please remember all the other children too.

Your friend, Gary Rackley.

Dear Santa:

What I want for Christmas is a bicycle and a doll to play with. I hope you will bring them to me.

Ester Rodriguez.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want skates and animal house shoes and some candy in my stocking and a big doll. My little sister's name is Kathy. She wants a big doll and candy in her stocking, and she wants skates too and animal house shoes.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a radio and a teddy bear and a bicycle. And I have a Good Christmas and I were a Christmas-ter.

Mary Macias.

Dear Santa:

I am writing to tell you what I want for Christmas. I would like an air rifle and a bicycle. I am 8 years old and in the third grade.

Johnny Perales.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me an electric train, some boots and Levis. I have been a good boy.

Terry Morgat.

Dear Santa:

I want a doll, Santa Claus. I want some doll dishes Santa Claus.

Your friend, Jo Mize.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good girl. I am 7 years old. Will you please bring me a baby doll and some clothes. Please bring a lady doll to each one of my little sisters. They would also like telephones that really talk. Don't forget all the other boys and girl.

Thank you, Rhonda Gail Coan.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle, doll, candy, fruit, nuts. I will be good.

Gerevo.

**CHRISTMAS TREE FIRST
USED BY GERMAN FOLKS**

The Germans claim they originated the idea of a Christmas tree. And it was a German, according to old newspaper files, who introduced the Christmas tree in America.

The story is that a German priest who emigrated to Cleveland, Ohio, set up a Christmas tree in his church in the 1840's. He was almost chased out of the church. The congregation didn't like the idea.

But a few years later, a German tailor who settled in Wooster, Ohio started using Christmas trees, and somehow the idea caught on this time.

**About New Years,
Past and Present**

The Egyptians were first to develop an "exact" system for measuring time. They developed a calendar about 4,000 B.C. The "beginning," which they estimated according to the Mundane era of Alexander, was set at 5502 B.C.

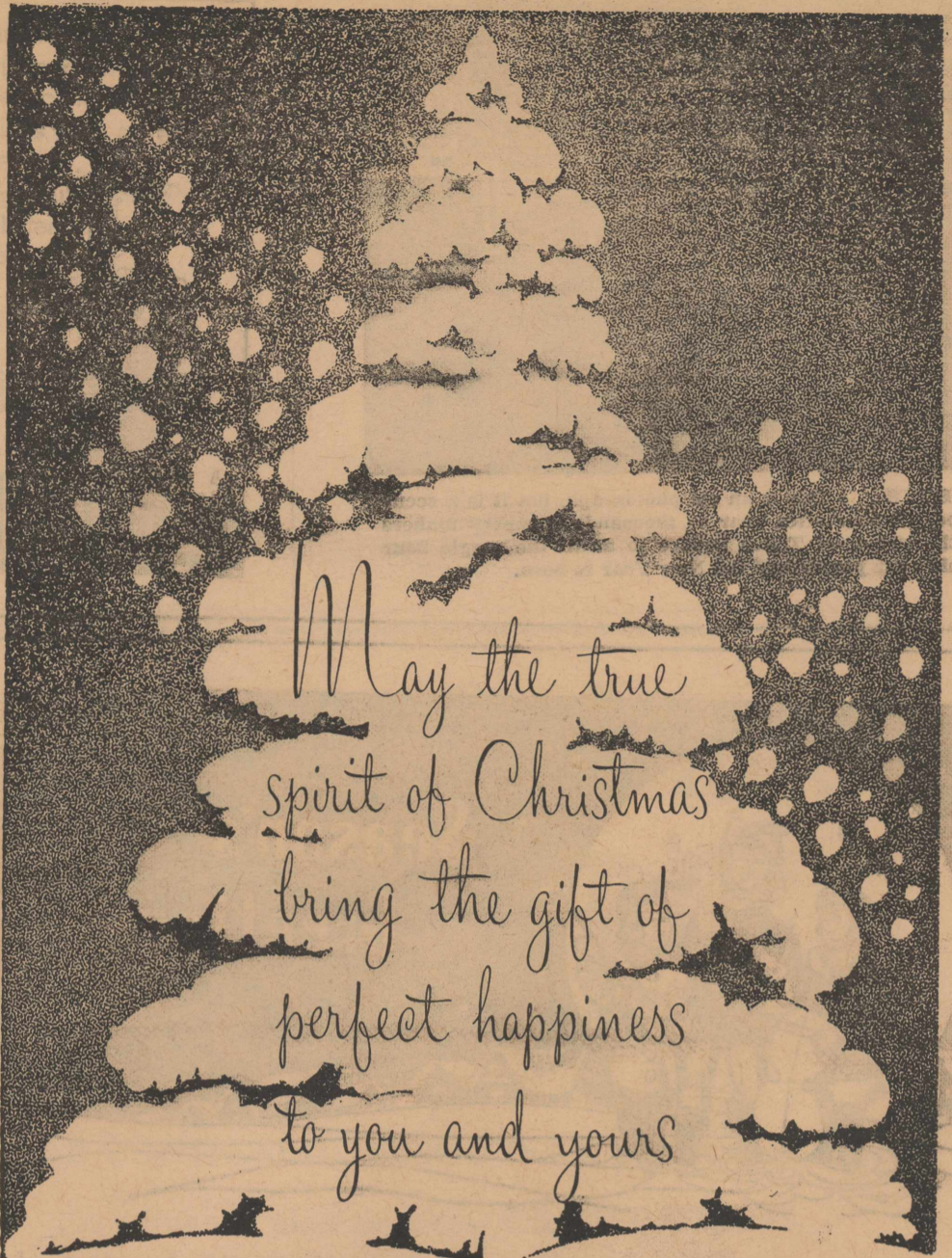
The Jewish calendar reads 5722, in relation to 1961 A.D. The Jews adopted their calendar in the 15th century.

Use of the notation A.D. was inaugurated by Germany's Charles III, who affixed the symbolism to the years of his reign beginning in 879.

The month of January takes its name from Janus, a two-faced Roman god supposedly possessed of the power to look back over the past and tell what the future held. He was depicted with key in hand, denoting the ability to open all doors and gateways.

Christopher Columbus is generally considered to have been the first white man to celebrate New Year's day in the western hemisphere. Columbus enjoyed a sumptuous meal with two monarchs on the island of Haiti, January 1, 1493, when his ships pulled in for repairs.

In earlier times, the "dipping" custom was believed to offer a glimpse into the future. The head of the family, eyes closed, opened the family Bible and indicated a passage with his finger; the text, solemnly read and interpreted, was supposed to indicate the luck—good or bad—that was in store for them.



May the true
spirit of Christmas
bring the gift of
perfect happiness
to you and yours

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

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WISHES
FOR
THE
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During the past year it has been a sincere pleasure to have the privilege of serving you...and we are deeply grateful for your confidence in us.

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