

## CITY NEARS GOAL IN WAR LOAN DRIVE

County lacks about \$100,000 in sales to meet its Sixth War Loan Finance chairman R. D. Thursday, based on reports from local reports and Haskell county is up to the last mile and a few more thousand against errors that in on the last said.

That all reporting certain to get in at once in order know correctly," the chairman leading the following from State War man Adams:

Chairman Haskell Finance Committee: Loan sales officially county by Federal through December 30 Series E and \$338, all. Let me urge you to push Series E sales of December. This Christmas gift we at our fighting sons." Adams, state chairman Committee of Texas.

D. P. Ratliff District R.A.M.

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DAY IN HOME

Paul Comolli and Carolyn spent Sunday in the Comolli's parents, Jesse L. Collier in

Board lose First ch Month

Haskell County War Rationing Board on the first day month in the future to prepare monthly according to S. N. rman.

will be closed 23 at 3 o'clock employees may be re-hours early pre-timas. The office at its acoustom-December 26.

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print rationing, heretofore affecting the daily papers, to the weekly newspaper field. It is not clearly just how badly rationing will affect The Haskell, but our mailing list will likely be frozen at its level.

living in the Haskell trade area will be given and if you live in Haskell and adjoining counties continue to accept new as well as old subscriptions present.

live outside of this area we cannot accept new for the time being. If you are now a subscriber, that you get your renewal to us before your time because if your name is removed from our subscrip-tion you will be considered as a new subscriber. In-ards old subscribers will be given priority up to their expiration date. If you live outside of the Has-sell area, and want to receive the Free Press for an-er, don't delay but renew today—because when your expire we may have received all the subscriptions handle for 1945 and may not be able to accept your

BE PATIENT . . . . .

many subscribers to the Free Press have renewed for 1945 during the past few weeks that it has possible for us to keep up with the corrections or on a good many subscribers' labels.

have renewed and your label does not show the please be patient—we have you properly credited—count of the shortage in labor we have been unable your name and expiration date in new type.

## Sudden Heart Stroke Is Fatal to Dr. Wm. N. Sholl

Dr. Wm. N. Sholl, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in this city, died in the Haskell hospital Wednesday morning at 5 o'clock, following a severe heart attack suffered at his home Monday night.

Dr. Sholl, 62, had apparently been in his usual good health and attended to his customary duties, making several trips downtown Monday, and his death came as a shock to the entire citizenship of Haskell.

Dr. Sholl came to the Haskell church in September 1942, from Durant, Oklahoma, where he had been pastor of the Presbyterian church in that city for 15 years. An able and outstanding religious leader in his denomination, Dr. Sholl received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Austin College in 1932. During his residence in Haskell he took an active interest in civic affairs, and was a member of the Lions.

During World War I, Dr. Sholl served as a Chaplain in the Army, and was stationed at Camp Beauregard, La. Born November 25, 1882 at Gainesville, Ala., he was the son of Dr. and Mrs. Edward Henry Sholl. He married Miss Lily Spencer of Jasper, Ala., October 7, 1909.

In addition to his widow, Dr. Sholl is survived by two sons, Chief Yeoman William N. Sholl, Jr., USN, whose last address was Wollaston, Mass.; Edward Henry Sholl, New Orleans, La.; and four daughters, Mrs. Harris Dutcher, Bartlesville, Okla. Miss



DR. SHOLL

Mary Spencer Sholl, Norman, Okla.; Lois Margaret and Onah Katherine Sholl, Haskell. Other survivors include a brother, Rev. Charles S. Sholl, New Orleans; a sister, Mrs. Clarence Bonham, Birmingham, Ala. Three grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services for Dr. Sholl will be held here, but arrangements were incomplete Thursday night.

Interment will be in Willow cemetery in this city with arrangements in charge of Holden funeral home.

## 18 REGISTRANTS RECLASSIFIED

Action report of the Local Board for December 13 lists classification changes for 18 Haskell county registrants, with three being changed from deferred classes to 1-A, subject to call for military service; one listed as having been inducted since previously classified; seven changed from 1-A to a secondary classification; and the remainder placed in deferred classes.

Placed in 1-A were: G. W. Lewis, changed from 4-F; Odie L. Bland, changed from 2-A; Elmer O. Spurlin, changed from 2-C.

Bobby B. Slaughter was reclassified from 1-A to 1-Cind, having been inducted. Changed from 1-Cind to 1-C "Disc" were Rauleigh H. Cobb, Wayborn H. York and Hoy Miller.

The following registrants, previously classified 1-A, were changed: C. B. Ramsey, Thomas E. Kelley, Curtis A. Williams, and Bobbie A. L. Edwards to 2-B; Thomas B. McMeans Jr., Charles E. Hamilton, and Thomas L. Booth Jr. to 2-C.

Richard Hooge was changed from 4F- to 2-B(F), James E. Gray from 2-C to 4-A, Otis C. Sims from 2-C(F) to 4-F, and Elvis M. Derr from 2-B(F) to 4-F.

## Funeral Service Held Sunday for Chas. Robinson

Funeral service was held at the Vermont Methodist Church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock for Charles Robinson, 73, resident of Haskell county since 1914, whose death occurred in the Haskell hospital Saturday night at nine o'clock.

Rites were conducted by the Rev. Kirby Cockerell, Methodist minister of Aspermont and the Rev. J. T. Hester, pastor of the Weibert church. Interment was in Willow cemetery, Haskell, with arrangements in charge of Holden funeral home.

Death of Mr. Robinson was attributed to complications and shock following a fall December 13, when he suffered a fracture of his jaw.

Mr. Robinson came to this section in 1914, and made his home with Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Joeslet until 1928, and since that year he had lived with Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Joeslet. Only surviving kin are a half-brother, E. W. Robinson, and a nephew Young Bankhead, both of Corsicana.

Mr. Robinson was a member of the Methodist church. Pallbearers were Jess Joeslet, Cleatus Turnbow, Joel Massey of Munday, Luther Toller, Clifford Thomas, Alfred Turnbow, Clifford Dunnam, Richard Joeslet.

## New Member of TSG Company Is Sworn In

Several new members have enlisted in the local Company of Texas State Guard, most recent enlistment being that of Leon (Dobber) Dodson, HHS football star, who was sworn in at the meeting of the Company Tuesday night.

During the evening drill period members present formed one platoon and marched from the armory to the square under leadership of L. Roberson. On their return Mess Sgt. Bill Ratliff dished out coffee and cake, after which Lt. Richey gave a brief period of instruction in new maneuvers which are being practiced.

## T-Sgt. Johnson and Wife Visit Here Recently

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Johnson recently was their son, Marine T-Sgt. Woodrow W. Johnson, who has been radioman on a transport plane stationed in California, and his wife, who resides there with him.

Sgt. Johnson has seen several months of combat duty in the Southwest Pacific theater and expects to be going overseas again soon.

Other visitors in the Johnson home were Mrs. W. A. Dillard of Plainview, Mrs. William Atkins of Amarillo, and Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Lask and children, Clayton and Jean of Rule.

## Heaviest Docket In Years Shown For January Term District Court

### On Transport Bound for England, Haskell Soldier Issued Kit Made In His Home Town

In a letter received recently by relatives, a former Haskell youth, born and reared here, told of receiving a Soldier's Kit while on a transport en route across the Atlantic to England which had been made and filled by workers in the Red Cross chapter in Haskell.

The soldier, Vick Edwards, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Edwards who made their

home here for many years. He is a nephew of Constable Sterling Edwards, and in a letter to him told of receiving the "kit" from the Haskell Red Cross chapter.

"It was an extra nice kit," Vick wrote his uncle, "and I was really surprised and pleased when I saw that it came from my old home town." He asked his uncle to give the Red Cross his thanks for the kit.

### Plans for Meeting Peak Labor Need Are Discussed

Suggestions as to what could and should be done to meet the peak farm labor demand in Haskell county was the theme of a meeting of farm leaders, representatives from the Extension Service and Latin-American migratory labor leaders, held here last Friday.

The meeting here was one of 15 similar "spot" meetings to be held throughout the State to determine methods for meeting the demand for farm labor in peak harvesting seasons.

J. A. Scofield, district agent for Extension Service, presided at the meeting. One of the principal talks was made by Pauline Kibbee, executive secretary to Governor Coke Stevenson, who stressed the importance of a better understanding of the Good Neighbor policy with Latin-Americans.

Others expressing views and offering suggestions included D. Steele, assistant supervisor of Extension Service, D. A. Adams, of Plainview, George Green, field man of the Extension Service, Jie Garza, Corpus Christi, Lupe R. Escobado, Stamford, Latin-American leader in Red Cross and War Work, Arturo Ortiz, Abilene, farm labor assistant, and Ricardo Juarez, Haskell farmer and representative of Latin-American workers.

Representing the city was Mayor John A. Couch, who gave assurance that Haskell would cooperate to the fullest extent with the Extension Service in any program worked out to meet the situation.

### Sylvia Lane New Owner of Lunch Room Here

In a deal closed last week, Sylvia Lane of this city purchased the Van Williams lunch room on the south side of the square and will operate the popular eating place in the future. Name of the establishment has been changed to Sylvia's Lunch Room.

Mr. Williams has announced that he has no definite plans for the future, but will likely move to Alpine after the first of the year.

### T-Sgt. Self of Rule Awarded D. F. C.

T-Sgt. Cecil E. Self, with 57 missions to his credit, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for action in the India-Burma sector, according to word received by his mother, Mrs. Octa L. Self of Rule.

### Junior Red Cross Drive Completed By Schools

The Haskell county schools have completed the Junior Red Cross Drive and all have reported 100 per cent enrollment. The Rochester grade school headed the list with the greatest contribution.

As a part of their activity the school children of Haskell county are sending gifts to ten children in the State Orphans' Home at Coalinga.

## Wounded



Jack Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Davis of Pampa, former Haskell residents, was seriously wounded during the invasion of Leyte in the Philippines on November 25, relatives here have learned. Young Davis has been overseas with the armed forces for about five months.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis moved from Haskell to Pampa about a year ago, where he is associated with his brother in the grocery business. They have another son, Bill, serving with the armed forces.

## Sgt. Taylor of Rochester Wounded

Sgt. Floyd Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Taylor of Rochester, has been reported seriously wounded in action on Leyte island.

Sergeant Taylor joined the service at Wichita Falls, Oct. 4, 1940. He was married in February this year while stationed in Oregon. His wife lives at Eugene, Ore.

Two brothers are in the service and another registered for the draft last November. Cpl. Billy Taylor is in the air forces on Saipan, Pvt. Norris Taylor is stationed at Camp Roberts, Calif. A. E. Taylor Jr., has just registered.

## Son of Haskell People Back From France

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Whiteker received a telegram last week from their son B. M. Jr., telling them he had arrived at Endicott, N. J., after being overseas with U. S. forces in France since last June. He is with a Construction Battalion.

## Free Press Will Not Be Issued Next Week

In order to conserve newspaper and conform with Government regulations in this respect, The Free Press will observe a holiday next week.

Next issue of the paper reaching our readers will be published the first week in January, 1945.

Omission of next week's issue is regretted by the publisher, but in view of the critical newspaper shortage, lack of skilled labor, and other factors make this step mandatory if The Free Press is to maintain its weekly publication schedule during the coming year.

## With the trial of two statutory cases, a murder, and an assault to murder charge pending against defendants under Grand Jury indictments scheduled for trial during the January term of 1945, district court which opens here Monday January 1, the six-week term has the heaviest docket for several years.

In addition to the cases filed on the criminal docket, 51 divorce actions will come up for decision, according to file records in the office of District Clerk Oneal. Fifteen divorce pleas have been filed since the last term of District Court, his records show.

On the criminal docket are listed three felony cases in which the persons named have not been arrested. These include the offenses of forgery and passing, burglary, and wife and child desertion.

Pending trial on the charge of murder is the case of The State vs. Lonnie Johnson, colored, indicted in connection with the killing of another negro farm laborer in Weibert in September, 1943.

In the assault to murder case, Loney Foster, colored, was indicted by a recent Grand Jury after he had allegedly beaten his wife severely and threatened her life.

Two other cases on the criminal docket are The State vs. Tony Gonzalez, charged with burglary, and The State vs. J. R. McGary, charged with theft by bailor. Both are at liberty under \$750 bond.

Charged in the two statutory cases are Buster Brown Lee and Raymond Tipton of Aspermont. Grand Jury indictments charge both men with raping a 16-year-old Aspermont girl. The cases were transferred here from Stonewall county.

Summoned as Grand Jurors The following persons have been summoned to serve as Grand Jurors during the court term: C. C. Abernathy, A. B. Hutchens, S. N. Reid, G. R. Couch, A. D. Erick, F. A. Howard, Hoyt Perry, Dawson, Brown, S. G. Cobb, V. A. Brown, J. K. Adams, M. D. Crow, B. Kupatt, Porter Campbell, Chas. A. Jackson, H. B. Atkinson.

## Class B Cage Schedule Is Arranged

At an executive committee meeting at Bomarton last Saturday Supt. H. H. Homsley of the Mattson school was elected chairman of District 12, Class B basketball. It was further decided by the committee to divide the district, which includes Haskell, Throckmorton, Baylor and Knox counties, into a north and south half. The competing schools in the north half are O'Brien, Knox City, Sunset, Benjamin and Bomarton. The south half is composed of Rochester, Weinert, Sagerton, Paint Creek, Woodson and Mattson.

Coaches present from the south half decided to resort to a double round robin schedule to determine a winner. The first round of play in the south half opens January 2 with Weinert going to Mattson, Sagerton going to Paint Creek and then on January 5 Rochester journeys to Woodson.

A schedule for both the north and south half will be published from week to week.

## Edward F. Havran Promoted To 1st Lieutenant

Special to The Free Press

An Eighth Air Force Bomber Station, England—The promotion of Edward F. Havran, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Havran, Knox City, Texas, from second to first lieutenant, has been announced by Headquarters, Eighth Air Force.

Lt. Havran is serving as a Flying Fortress navigator in the 401st Bombardment Group commanded by Col. Harold W. Bowman, of Arlington, Va. He has been awarded the second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement while participating in a number of combat operational missions over Germany and Nazi-held territory."

## SPENDS TUESDAY WITH HOMEFOLKS HERE

Jess Barton of this city, who has been employed in an Aspermont grocery store for the past several months, spent Tuesday with his family in Haskell.

## Letters to Santa Claus

Star Route, Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
We are two girls, 7 and 3 years old. We would like for you to bring each of us a baby doll, a bed large enough for both dolls, a set of dishes, and a story book about Jesus. Also some candy, fruit and nuts.  
Please bring our little brother, Jerry Don who is one year old, a doll, car and any other little toys you think he might enjoy.  
We love you.  
Jean and Sandra Bass

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy four years old. My Daddy is in the army in Oklahoma and my mother, my baby brother and I live with my grandmother. I have been a good boy most of the time so don't forget to stop by. I'd like a machine gun that goes on your back and anything else you want me to have. Please bring my brother something, too.  
Love,  
Lynn III (Sam) Pace

Rule, Texas, Route 2

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl five years old. I have been a pretty good girl the last year.  
I have already got my Christmas tree and wish you would put me a big doll with sleepy eyes, a little table and two chairs for my dolls, a set of dishes, a doll bed, a house coat, a pair of house shoes, a little water bucket, a little doll trunk, with some doll clothes, a phone, and a little blackboard and some nuts and candies under our tree.  
Don't forget mother, daddy, sister and brother. Remember the boys and girls in the uniforms and all the little orphan children.  
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you, dear Santa.  
A little friend,  
Hazel Nell Anderson

Rule, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
We have our Christmas tree and are looking forward to your coming.  
Will you please put me a monopoly game, air plane, baseball, some leather gloves, a billfold, a telescope and some nuts and candies under our tree.  
Please remember the rest of my family, all the boys and girls in uniform, and the little orphan children.  
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.  
A Friend,  
James Lee Anderson.

Rochester, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy six years old and on the whole I guess I am a good enough boy for Santa to come to see me. So please Santa bring me a farm set, a two-gun holster set, and a train and some fruit, nuts and candy. And don't forget the other little boys and girls.  
Your friend,  
Tommy Williams.

Goree, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have tried to be a good little girl this year, so will you please bring me a ring, bracelet, doll, raincoat, galoshes and a book that I can learn prayers out of. If possible I would like some doll clothes, too.  
Did you like the cookies and candy we left for you last Christmas. I want to give you some this year. Please remember all of the other girls and boys.  
Thank you for the things you gave me last Christmas.  
Love,  
Linda Kay Adcock.

## Old Glory in the Carolines



Official U. S. Army Photo  
The American flag is raised shortly after the occupation by Army troops of Uthi Atoll, in the Caroline Islands, South Pacific. Are you backing up these men by buying at least an extra \$100 War Bond today?  
From U. S. Treasury

Rochester, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl noly sixteen months old but I would like for Santa to bring me a doll and some little toys to pull and a locket and some fruit, nuts and candy. And please don't forget the other babies.  
Your little friend,  
Eillen Williams.

Rochester, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl three years old and I am a good little girl most of the time so please Santa bring me a doll, a doll bed, a set of dishes and a locket, and some fruit, nuts and candy.  
Your friend,  
Avis Williams.

Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl five years old. I have tried to be a good little girl this year. Please bring me a doll, ring, dishes, house coat, house shoes, doll bed, overshoes, doctor kit, and some fruit and candy. Please don't forget my grandmother and grand-dad Andrews, and my grandmother and grand-dad New, also my little cousin, Soretha Andrews.  
Yours truly,  
Wanda Sue New.

Rule, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy eight years old. I go to Rule school. Will you please bring me a big box of tinker toys, a doctor set, a paint set, also some jig saw puzzles. I want some fruit and nuts too. Bring something to all of our soldier boys, especially my uncle in the Air Corps.  
Your friend,  
Truman Earl White.

Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl six and one-half years old. My sister, Patsy, is one year old. Please bring her a doll and rocking chair and bring me a doll and a locket. We both want candy, fruit and nuts. Also remember the other boys and girls.  
Thank you. Your friends,  
Jeanette and Patsy Robertson

Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
We have been good little boys this year. Please bring us some trucks, cars, balls, fruits, candy and nuts. Please don't forget my little brother and sister, Johnnie and Patricia Ann.  
Your friends at Paint Creek,  
Robert and Roy Wright.

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus and Mrs. Santa Claus:  
I have been a good girl. Please bring me a doll house, doll table and chairs, a doll and some candy. Please bring little Sister some candy, a doll and bracelet. Please bring all the little orphan girls a present.  
I love you.  
Margaret Herren.



the Holiday Season

Comes to America—presenting us with the opportunity of expressing our thanks for all past favors.

The... Stork Shop  
MISS ALICE FRIERSON



A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS

We can think of no finer Yuletide sentiment than the old familiar "MERRY CHRISTMAS." We never grow tired of saying it to our friends nor do we grow tired of hearing it from others. It is the one universal greeting that carries with it the thought of others and the appreciation of fine friendships and associations.  
It is this sentiment that forms the background of our thinking of you at this glad time of the year. We want you to know that when we say "MERRY CHRISTMAS," we include our thankfulness for all past favors. The best of everything to each of you.

Smittys Auto Supply  
RAYMOND DAVIS  
WOODLEY DAVIS  
TAYLOR ALVIS  
CHAS. E. SMITH

**A CHRISTMAS WISH**  
May this Christmas and the coming year bring you a very special happiness all of your own.

**Little Tot Shop**  
MRS. DORA COOK

## Merry Christmas

Try as we may we can think of no better Christmas sentiment than these two simple, but significant words, "Merry Christmas".

We sincerely hope that you will have a full measure of happiness at this time of the year and throughout the years to come.

**O. L. "Jack" Johnson**  
General Agent  
REPUBLIC NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

## The Christmas Spirit FINDS ITS SHRINE IN America

☆ Christmas this year in America has been made doubly significant by the glorious sacrifice of the youth of our Nation. Somehow we believe it fitting and appropriate to remember them especially, in our Christmas Greetings. Without their efforts Christmas this year would be empty indeed. Because of their sacrifice and their willingness to serve, an American Christmas is again possible.

Season's Greetings to the youth of America, and to their loved ones and friends. May the coming year bring Peace and contentment for all

**Holden's Funeral Home**  
Bill and Mary Holden      Covell Adkins      Lola Lemmon

**Holden Benefit Association**  
W. O. HOLDEN, Secretary-Treasurer

## GREETINGS

It is the goodwill created by this joyous Christmastime that inspires us to send you a word of Cheer. May the spirit of the Yuletide season spread throughout the coming year and make this community a better place in which to live.

The Season's Best Wishes to each of you.

**Willie Lane**

## A Merry, Merry Christmas

If it were at all possible, we would see each of you personally, clasp your hand in a friendly sort of way, and say, "Merry Christmas!" At the same time, we would express our sincere thanks for all past favors, and invite your continued patronage on the basis of our genuine interest in your welfare and our desire to be of every service possible to you during the coming year.

We are sorry we cannot see each of you individually—and we want to convey, through this message, our heartfelt appreciation of your friendships and to wish you all the joys of the Christmas Season.

**BURTON-DOTSON CHEVROLET CO.**  
"Where Friend Meets Friend"

# Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 17 months old. Please bring me a doll that will cry, a big teddy bear, a little red tractor, a blue chenille robe, and house slippers. Also plenty of candy and fruit. Please don't forget my Daddy who is somewhere in New Guinea.  
Lots of love,  
Carolyne Paulette Allen  
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I wish you could bring me a bracelet, a doll with an evening dress on, a Bible and a new dress and lots of fruits, candy and other things. Hoping you good luck all the way.  
Lela Faye Phillips.  
Weinert, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy 8 years old, in the third grade. I am also a shut-in because of a broken leg. Santa, please bring me a monkey, a bingo set, truck, train, and lots of fruit, nuts and candy. Please remember all other little boys and girls.  
Your friend,  
Ben Charlie Curd.  
O'Brien, Texas.

Dear Santa:  
I am writing you to tell you what my brother and I want for Christmas. My brother and I want two boxes of tinkers toys. My brother wants a truck, the largest one you have. We want a baseball bat and a glove. My brother wants a football. I want a basketball. We wish everybody Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Bennie E. Hanson and  
Jerry E. Hanson  
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy almost eight years old. I drive a little Ford tractor and help my daddy farm. I am in the second grade at school. I try to keep all of the good health rules. I pull bolls every fall. I now have a cow and calf and a \$25 War Bond. Santa I would like most of all to have a BB gun if you can find one.  
Your friend,  
Elmer Durwood Wheatley.  
Weinert, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me some dishes, a little lamp, doll, doll cradle and blackboard. I have been pretty good this year and will be looking for you.  
Yours truly,  
Sharon Elaine Caddell.  
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl six years old. Please bring me a doll with sleepy eyes and a set of dishes, candy, fruit and nuts. I won't ask for another doll until after the war is over. Remember all the boys in the service. Remember all my cousins.  
Lots of love,  
Charlene Cunningham.  
Monterey Park, Calif.

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a toy ship, a machine gun, and a big teddy bear. Don't forget my granddaddy and grandmother Brown, and little cousins who live in Haskell. Thank you.  
John Rodney Roberts.  
Ablene, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy 15 months old. I live at Buffalo Gap. I am looking for you to come see me this Christmas.  
I want a rocking chair, a doll, some house shoes and a little wagon, some fruits and candy. You can bring along some nuts, too, my Daddy and Mother and other grown-ups can eat them.  
I hope all the little boys and girls will get what they want.  
With love, I am,  
Rodney Durwood Childress  
O'Brien, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
If you are not in the Army, please bring me a blackboard and just anything you have. I am a little boy eight years old.  
Love,  
Elvis Day.  
Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am seven years old. Please bring me a doll, house coat, and house shoes. Be sure and fill my stocking full.  
Your little friend,  
Mary Ann Thomas.  
Rule, Texas.

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl 9 years old and in the fourth grade. I would like to have a pair of beads, a bracelet, pen and lots of nuts, fruit and candy. I also have two little brothers and they want a wagon and a few toys, and nuts, candies and fruit.  
Merry Christmas.  
Ruthie Charlene, Patty Odell, and Roy Paul Glover.  
Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a paint kit and a bicycle.  
Ralph Offill.  
Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a large size toy army nurse field bag, and a 9-piece plastic combat set.  
Alvis Offill.  
Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a 23-inch doll in pinafore, that cries and goes to sleep, and also a baking set.  
Eleanor Offill.  
Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am two years old and I have been a pretty good little boy, so please don't forget me when you make your tour through Haskell. Santa, if your pack isn't too heavy, please bring me a tractor that says "click clack", a train, a gun and a little horse larint. Anything else will please me fine.  
Please remember the other little boys and girls.  
Thanks a lot, Santa. Love,  
Rodney Douglas Davis.  
McLean, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
We are two little girls, four and eighteen months old. Please bring us a doll each and a set of dishes, fruit, candy and nuts. Remember all the other little boys and girls.  
Your little friends,  
Maxine and Azile Cunningham.  
McLean, Texas

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Lots of love,  
Charlene Cunningham.  
Monterey Park, Calif.

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Haskell, Texas.



**WAR BONDS**  
in action

U. S. Navy Photo  
His plane forced down in the Mediterranean, this Navy flier goes back to his own ship, after being rescued by one of the modern, fast-moving destroyers bought through your war bond purchases. More Bonds mean more and better equipment. Keep buying War Bonds regularly. U. S. Treasury Department

Rochester, Texas.  
Dearest Santa Claus:  
I am not asking for much this Christmas for the war needs the things. So please bring me a cedar chest and a locket and if you can't bring both please bring the locket and some candy and nuts. And thanks to you. Merry Christmas to the United States.  
Yours truly,  
Susie Eveline Lawson.  
Rochester, Tex.

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a big sleepy doll for Christmas and some candy and nuts, and a tinker toy set please. Thank you very much.  
Clara Gene Lawson.  
P. S.—Merry Christmas to all.  
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a doll with sleeping eyes, a dump truck, a story book, fruit, nuts and candy. Please remember all my little friends. Especially the ones whose daddies are away and can't be home for Christmas. Be extra nice to them.  
Your little friend,  
Charles Bernard Goodwin.  
Rochester, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a big sleepy doll that has real hair, some checkers, jacks, necklace, ring and candy and nuts.  
Merry Christmas to all.  
Audrey Fay Lawson.  
Grand Prairie, Texas

Dearest Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a doll and wagon and some oranges and apples and nuts. I think I have been a pretty good girl. Please don't forget to get my brother Charles something. My name is Barbara Joan and I am four years old.  
Barbara Joan Boggs.  
Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
We have tried so hard to be good, so please bring us some nice playthings. Bring Jeanette a doll, doll bed and table and chairs and Jerry a train, teddy bear and drum, and Bobby a horse, Scottie dog and ball. Don't forget fruits, nuts and candy, and remember all the other little boys and girls.  
Love,  
Jeanette, Jerry, and  
Bobby Jones.  
Haskell, Texas.

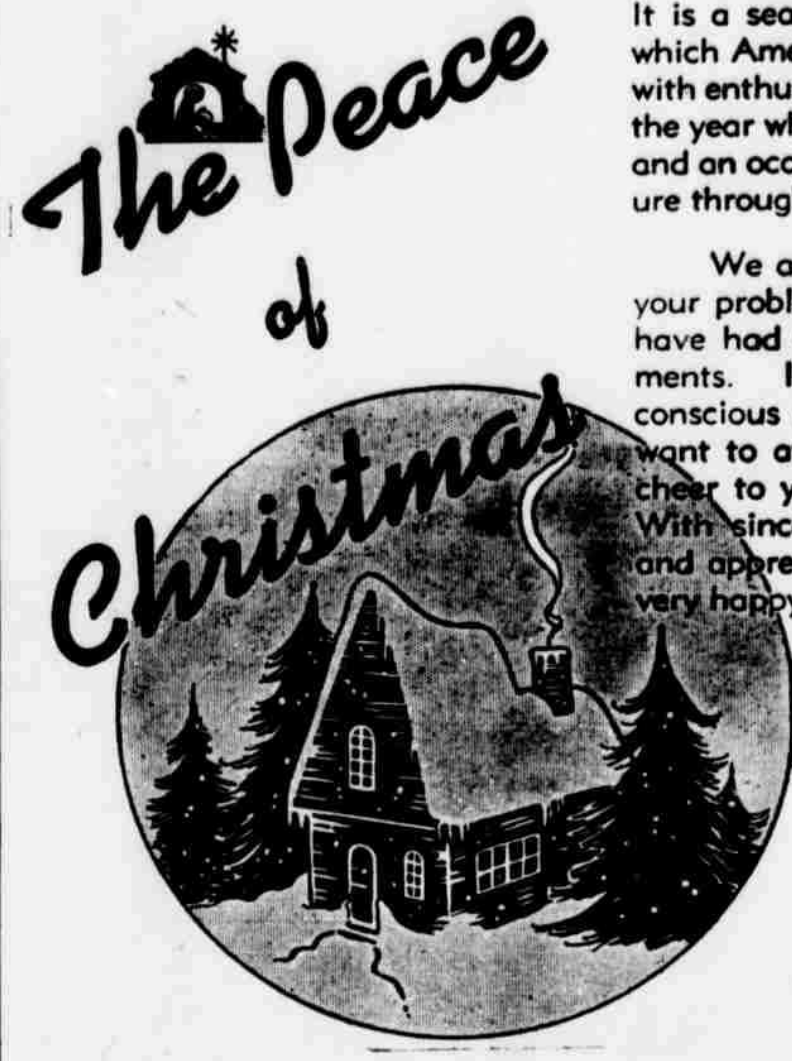
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am ten years old. Please bring me a pair of spurs, a monopoly set and a cowboy suit. Be sure and fill my stocking full.  
Your little friend,  
Billy Ray Thomas  
Haskell, Texas.

This Season, more than ever before, we realize the true significance of Christmas. As in years past, we have looked forward to the opportunity of expressing Season's Greetings to our friends and customers, and this year is no exception.

Much has happened within the past year to alter our habits and customs. Such changes have been necessary, and we have gladly tried to do our part. Because of these changes, the true meaning of Christmas is brought home to us more

forcibly. Christmas is a tangible thing that means so much in a chaotic world. It is a season of good fellowship to which American people look forward with enthusiasm. It is the one time of the year when cares can be forgotten, and an occasion which you can treasure through the months to come.

We are sure that you have had your problems and your cares. You have had your share of disappointments. It is because we are fully conscious of your problems that we want to attempt to bring a note of cheer to you at this Christmastime. With sincere feelings of friendship and appreciation, we wish for you a very happy Christmas.



**Dynum Motor Co.**  
"Ford"

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# CHRISTMAS MEMORIES

Each year as we observe the Christmas Season, we are reminded of the many things for which we should be thankful. We remember innumerable instances of your good faith and goodwill and we recall the countless courtesies and favors with which we have been blessed and of the friendships, tried and proven, that have been ours to enjoy.

Mindful of these fine expressions of friendships, and of the thoughtfulness back of them, we desire to again send our Christmas wishes to each of you, and to thank you for everything. You have made the past year a pleasant one for us, and we trust that we shall enjoy many more among the people of this community.

**Hallie Chapman Implement Co.**

To Our Multitude of Friends  
And Patrons We Send  
A Multitude Of

# GREETINGS

FROM YOUR  
**HOME BANK**

DIRECTORS  
W. M. REID, Haskell, Texas  
T. C. CAHILL, Haskell, Texas  
W. P. CROUCH, Haskell, Texas  
W. Q. CASEY, Haskell, Texas  
A. M. TURNER, Haskell, Texas

AND ASSISTANTS  
MISS SYBYL KING  
MISS OPAL DUNNAM  
MISS FREIDA KING  
MISS MARY JO ZELISKO

SOME ONE IN AUTHORITY AT ALL  
TIMES TO GREET YOU AND DISCUSS  
YOUR BUSINESS.

**Farmers & Merchants State Bank**  
MEMBER OF F. D. I. C.

**Haskell Girl Is Bride of Abilene Man**

The marriage of Miss Ethel Lou Clanton and George A. Shelton, Jr. of Abilene, was solemnized December 2 in Abilene at the home of Dr. E. B. Atwood, Bible teacher and Baptist minister of Hardin-Simmons University. The bride wore a moss green wool crepe suit with black accessories

and a corsage of Talisman roses. After the wedding the couple left for Fort Worth for a short wedding trip. Mrs. Shelton is the daughter of Mr. R. W. Clanton of Haskell. She is a graduate of Haskell High School with the class of 1930. After finishing high school she was employed by different business firms in this city. In 1941 she went to Carlsbad, N. M., where she was connected with the telephone company there for one year. In 1942 she accepted a Civil Service appointment at Camp Barkeley in the Signal

Corps office where she is now employed as Chief Operator in the telephone office. Mr. Shelton is the son of Mrs. George A. Shelton Sr. of Dallas. Mr. Shelton is now employed by the Government in the meat department at the Carlsbad Army Air Base in Carlsbad, N. M. After the first of the year the couple will make their home in Carlsbad.

for a short wedding trip. Ph.M. Harris and Mrs. Harris will go to New Orleans around the latter part of the month, where he will be stationed.

**Blanch Groves YWA Changes Meetings**

The Y. W. A. girls only meet every second Tuesday in each month now. Tuesday night Dec. 12 was their first meeting since they changed their schedule. A program on Foreign Missions was presented. Those having parts on the program were Jeffie Maude Toliver, Freida Wheatley, and Lavada Dean. After the program the group was served hot chocolate and cookies. Those present were Mildred Norton, Lavada Dean, Freida Wheatley, Inez Parks, Pauline Wheeler, Jeffie Maude Toliver, and Laverne Dean.



MRS. DALE HARRIS

**Popular Haskell Couple United In Marriage**

Mrs. Dale Harris, the former Lela Ruth Brock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Brock of this city, and Phm. 2-C Dale Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris, were married December 9. The Rev. W. T. Priddy, pastor of the East Side Baptist Church, officiated for the single ring ceremony uniting the young couple. For the wedding the bride wore a blue suit with black accessories and her corsage was carnations. Attendants at the ceremony were Hazel Sellers, Shirley White, Bruce Gardner, Sgt. Bradley Buford, and Earlene Pearsey. Mrs. Harris graduated from Haskell High School in 1943. Since then she has been employed by the Haskell Telephone Co., and Payne's Drug Store. Ph. M. 2-C Harris graduated from Haskell High School in 1940. He entered the Navy in September, 1943. He is home on furlough after 20 months in the Southwest Pacific. The couple went to San Angelo

**Schwartz-Pyles Wedding Is Announced**

Announcement has been received here of the marriage of Miss Eillie Louise Schwartz and Pfc. Billy E. Pyles which took place Friday November 24. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Schwartz of Weinert. The wedding was solemnized in Fort Worth. The bride is a graduate of Weinert High School, finishing with the class of '42. For the past years Mrs. Pyles has been employed at Kress' in Fort Worth. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pyles of Mansfield, Texas. Pfc. Pyles is with a Paratroop Company in the Army and is stationed in North Carolina. Mrs. Pyles will make her home in Fort Worth for the duration.

**Sgt. Buford Barton Takes Lampasas Girl As Bride**

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Barton are announcing the marriage of their son, Sgt. Buford E. Barton to Billie Louise Mar of Lampasas, Texas. They were married December 16 and visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Barton during the past week-end.

**Wins Sponsor Award**



**WAR BONDS in Action**



Exhausted from the strain of battle, this soldier of the Fifth Army drops on a roadside in Italy and falls asleep. This man has battle fatigue. You cannot afford to have War Bond buying fatigue. This soldier has done his duty in helping to liberate another town. Have you done your duty in backing him up with War Bonds? Buy an extra Bond today. U. S. Treasury Department

Haskell is justly proud of 12-year-old Margaret Free, winner of the first prize, \$50, among the girl sponsors riding in the Throckmorton Rodeo recently. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Free. Margaret has ridden daily for the most of her life. Margaret rode with the dexterity of the practiced rider that she is, and this with the obedient response of Bonnie, her beloved paint pony, she accomplished all the riding tests and finished the final, difficult musical chair race well ahead of her opponent. Margaret attends the Weinert Elementary School and will enter high school next year. She represented the Bar Seven Ranch southeast of Haskell owned by her father, and sponsored the Kuenstler and Blake Rodeo in Haskell. Margaret says she is going to be ready for steer riding when the rodeo season opens next year.

**CHRISTMAS PLAY AT GILLIAM FOURSQUARE CHURCH**  
Gilliam Foursquare Church will be giving a Christmas Play on Friday night, December 22 at 8 p. m. The theme of the play is the birth of Christ and a Shepherd boy's service to him. After the play we will be having a Christmas Tree and program. We give all a special invitation to come and enjoy the program and tree.

housewives valuable hints in preparing appetizing meals. Containing numerous money-saving hints for the practical housewife are two other bulletins, "Home Methods of Rinsing Strips" and "Finishing and Cleaning Woolens", which Miss N. W. will be glad to give interested women.

**RETURN TO LIVING AFTER VISIT**  
Cpl. Jerry... family have returned... Lubbock, after... days with his... lah McDonald, and... P. M. Mullins and...

**Weinert Couple Wed At Knox City,**

The marriage of Miss Myrie Griffith and Herschel Alexander took place Wednesday December 3 at Knox City with Rev. Beyres, Foursquare minister performing the ceremony. Mrs. Alexander is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Griffith and is a Senior in Weinert high school. Mr. Alexander is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Alexander of Weinert. The groom will report for induction in the Army the 27th of this month. Mrs. Alexander will make her home with her parents for the present.

**TOYS FOR SMILING CUDDLY STORIES ANIMALS**  
Teddy bears, large puppies and kittens and checks. For children or big sisters.  
**STORK**

**THANKS A MILLION**

For your patronage during 1944... strive to serve you better in 1945...  
**Virgil Sonnamaker**  
John Deere Tractors and Implements

**YULETIDE GREETINGS**  
A beautiful sentiment that has continued through the centuries, the spirit of Christmas. In the true spirit of the occasion we extend our Greetings to our friends and neighbors.  
**Mrs. Iva Palmer**

**Merry Christmas**

WE HAVE PLENTY OF GIFTS  
NEW SHIPMENT JUST ARRIVED

- BILLFOLDS
- ZIPPER CASE
- STEEL BOND BOXES
- CIGARETTE CASES
- PORTFOLIOS
- STATIONERY
- MANY OTHER ITEMS

We Do Gold Stamping

**BYNUM'S**  
NORTH SIDE SQUARE

Merry Christmas  
Happy New Year

To you, whom we serve every day, we send a Christmas Greeting. MAY CHRISTMAS BRING YOU JOY... AND PEACE... AND THE NEW YEAR HAPPINESS AND GOOD FORTUNE.

SPECIAL TURKEY DINNER  
"With All the Trimmings"  
SUNDAY DECEMBER 24th

**Tonkawa Coffee Shop**

**Merry Christmas**

"... and on earth peace, good will towards men."

And to each of you who read this message that enraptured happiness which comes only at  
CHRISTMASTIME  
**IRA BLAIR**  
Rochester, Texas

**CHRISTMAS 1944**

ONCE AGAIN WE EXTEND OUR BEST WISHES...

DEAR FRIENDS:

With the breaking of the war clouds and the promised dawn of V-Day, we are given reason to hope for the lifting of the shadow that has darkened most homes.

Therefore, we hope for you and yours not only a joyous Holiday Season, but an exceptionally Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Grateful for past favors, and with a promise of the best of future service, we are,

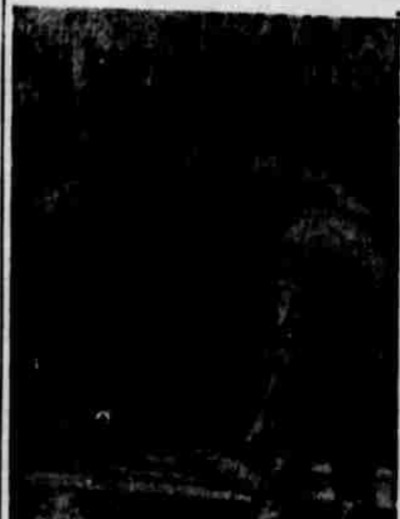
Hopefully yours,

**THE PERSONALITY SHOP**  
ELMA H. GUEST, Owner

Gerry Cox  
Dovie Pate  
Patsy Pate  
Tillie Chapman  
Eva Speer



Marine half-tracks, paid for by your war bonds, move up to the front line on Saipan. Keep up your Bond purchases so that the World War may end more speedily and thus save lives of your loved ones. Buy an extra Bond today. U. S. Treasury Department



The War Department regrets... Some American home received a fateful telegram as a result of this happening after a Japanese air raid on Munda. This soldier's sacrifice cannot be matched by you, for he gave his life. All you are asked to do is to lend your money. Can you do less? Buy an extra War Bond today. U. S. Treasury Department

**Start the NEW YEAR RIGHT**

Shop at **PIGGY WIGGLY!**

We want to take this opportunity to wish each of our friends and ours joy at Christmas and Happiness for the New Year.

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to serve you. We hope to be all of you better and we know we will before another Christmas.

**PIGGY WIGGLY**  
J. B. CLAIBORNE  
L. F. COX  
LUCILLE CLIFTON  
PETE THOMPSON

PLEGGED TO KEEP PRICES DOWN

Plenty of Dressed Turkeys & Hen

**Sure! YOU CAN SAVE at PIGGY WIGGLY**

TO MR. AND MRS. Edgar Kelson are the arrival of a son...

LOS ANGELES WOMAN HERE FOR VISIT Mrs. Laura Dean Schweinfest...

With the whole world in turmoil, and almost home feeling the absence of loved ones...

However, because your friendship has meant much to us, we feel a desire to extend to you simple, but sincere wish—

May This Christmastide Bring Peace and Contentment To Your Fireside,

express the hope that before too many days and Will between men will again be a reality.

COURTNEY HUNT

WITH BEST WISHES FOR MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

Ben Charlie Chapman District Judge

WISHING YOU MERRY CHRISTMAS

TONKAWA HOTEL

Holiday Greetings As we come to the close of another year...

Kendrick's Blacksmith and Welding Shop

A Merry American Christmas

As the ties of friendships are strengthened by the Christmas occasion...

Jones Electric Shoe Shop

Improved Uniform International SUNDAY SCHOOL

LESSON

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D. Of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.

Lesson for December 24

Lesson subjects and Scripture texts selected and copyrighted by International Council of Religious Education...

THE GROUND OF UNIVERSAL JOY

LESSON TEXT—Luke 2:8-12; Hebrews 1:1-4; 1 John 1:1-4. GOLDEN TEXT—Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy...

What would you like for Christmas? Could anything be better than to find for your heart and mind that spiritual safety, certainty, and joy...

I. Safety (Luke 2:8-12). Men need deliverance from their sin. They needed it when Christ came...

All the efforts of this world to meet man's need are vain. As Joseph Parker put it: "The world did not want an adviser. The world had advised itself almost into hell..."

Jesus came as Saviour. The good tidings revealed to the faithful shepherds were to be "of great joy to all people" because they presented the One who could bring them redemption from sin.

That revelation is ready to be made again this Christmas, and as it came to the shepherds at their work in the field...

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God has spoken through the centuries in the messages of many faithful servants. We do well to give heed to God's Word through them.

How final, and definite, and blessed is that truth. The heir of all the eternal glories of God the Father, and Himself the effulgence (or the flashing forth) of the glory of God...

We all know how full of uncertainty the world is, how our own minds are distressed by the very uncertainty of countless things about us.

Note that He has all the needed authority and power to carry out His loving purpose (vv. 3, 4). He who "made purification of sins" for us to believe, is divine. He has all power. He is glorious beyond our ability to describe. He is God. We can rest in perfect assurance in His redemption.

III. Enjoyment (1 John 1:1-4). God knew the need of man for real joy if life was to be pleasant and profitable. Being a Christian was never intended to be a somber, doleful business.

What did he write? By inspiration of the Holy Spirit he wrote of Christ, "the Word of life." He had seen and known Him, the Redeemer. He had fine and uplifting fellowship with Him, and declares that we too (as believers) share in that fellowship.

One of the bright and glad some things about the Christmas season is our fellowship with our family and friends. It brightens the whole holiday season. How much more delightful is the fact that we have "fellowship with the Father and with His Son, Jesus Christ."

That fact really "makes" Christmas! Many will be separated from family and friends this year, but Christ is there, and they may have this most precious of all friends with them.

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May his joy be yours in full measure. That is the wish of the writer of these lines, and it goes from his heart to the very last reader who may be in the uttermost part of the earth. A blessed Christmas to you!

Couple Married at Methodist Parsonage Dec. 9

Mrs. Eula Crow of this city and W. P. Beard of Fresno, California, were united in marriage December 9th...

Church of Christ

Floyd J. Spivy, Minister

Bible study 9:45 a. m. A class for every age, a consecrated teacher for every class.

Preaching 10:45 a. m. Sermon subject: "If Jesus Had Not Come" Young people meet at 6:45, Glen Merchant in charge.

Preaching 7:30, Sermon subject: "The Compassion of Jesus." Mid-week services, Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Christmas Eve Vesper Service

The regular 5 o'clock Sunday Vesper Service at the Methodist Church will present the theme, "A Woman Wrapped in Silence," which portrays the story of a woman great in heart and the consuming devotion that burned in her life.

East Side Baptist Church

Sunday December 24, 1944. Sunday School 10 a. m. Preaching service 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.

A Christmas program will be given Sunday evening. This is the time of the year we like to celebrate. No one can do better than go to church.

ENSIGN DERRELL TIPPIS HASKELL VISITOR

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Midnight Christmas Eve Service At Methodist Church

In keeping with the traditional midnight Christmas Eve Service there will be a special celebration which all Christians are invited to attend.

VISIT IN MUNDAY FIRST OF WEEK

George Moeller Sr., Mr. and Mrs. George Moeller Jr., and son Roger, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Klose and sons, all of Irby, and Pfc. and Mrs. Eugene Teichelman of Dallas were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Kubena of Monday on Monday of this week.

Preserving Foods Is Outlined In New Bulletins

A number of new bulletins containing timely information on processing and preserving meat products, and bulletins giving labor-saving hints for the home-maker, are now available free of charge at the office of Miss Louise Newman, county home demonstration agent.

clusively with Poultry, and in it the subjects include dressing, cooking, boning, canning and the marketing of poultry.

TWO YOUTHS FINED FOR SPEEDING Two young men were fined \$14 each by Justice of the Peace Joe Pace this week...

A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS WE HOPE THAT SANTA REMEMBERS YOU WITH EVERYTHING YOU HAVE WISHED FOR THIS CHRISTMAS. Ben Franklin Store CARRIE WILLIAMS

We Have Purchased the Van Williams Lunch Room Sylvia's Lunch Room and will continue to serve you the very best of STEAKS, HAMBURGERS, and SHORT ORDERS The Largest Line of Candy in Town

WE DESIRE to extend to you and yours the compliments of the Holiday Season and to express our best wishes for a New Year full of health, happiness and prosperity. May the next twelve months bring to each of you all the good things you deserve. Sylvia's Lunch Room

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## It's Christmas

Holly on the door and a candled wreath in the window. Stockings by the fireplace, carols in the dark, and the jeweled Christmas tree glittering through the night. What would Christmas be without them?  
The answer is... it would still be Christmas. For Christmas isn't symbols... Christmas is something that happens to people. It wells up, overflows, bursts forth from the heart of every human being. It goes far beyond the traditional forms of our American observance... it adopts a hundred different forms all over the world and

transcends them all. Christmas is the sweetest emotional experience shared at one time by mankind.  
There's not a flake of snow in the South Pacific tonight, not a single tinkling sleigh-bell. But the tender joy of Christmas fills fighting American hearts on every atoll and palm-tinged isle. There are no street-singers in the North Atlantic, nor a Christmas tree in all its watery waste of miles. The men on the icy convoys need no symbols to remind them... their thoughts and love and prayers tonight are winging home to you.  
So let not the absence of a loved one depress you or steal your holiday joy. The Spirit of Christmas is working in his heart as in yours; he is sharing your Christmas with you just as certainly as if he were greeting you in the glow of your own lighted tree—as he will, most assuredly, on a Christmas yet to come.

## Let's Keep Our Streets Cleaner

Sensitiveness of Haskell people has likely been dulled over a period of years, but out-of-town visitors have frequently commented on the untidy and unsanitary condition of the street on the south side of the square which is so patently brought to their senses when they come to Haskell.  
It so happens that the south side of the square presents a 'low drainage' problem and the street debris and gutter accumulation in the section tends to accumulate and form a mass bottleneck impeding the flow of trash and debris from the whole business section into the city's sewage system.  
However, the situation is aggravated when surplus water accumulated in ice boxes, storage cabinets, etc., is poured into gutter drains instead of sewage connections. This is the most convenient disposal method at the moment for servicemen of the boxes; but the careless dumping of this waste water creates a "mess" for merchants on the south side and their patrons, too.  
This situation can be corrected, we believe, to the benefit of every business establishment concerned.

# Letters to Santa Claus

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa:  
We know this is going to be a very hard year to find enough toys for all little boys and girls, so we are not asking for much. Bring what you can, please.

I, Franky Don, want a scabbard and gun set, chalk, blackboard, fruits, nuts and candy.  
I, Myrtis Marie, want some doll cut-out books, jig saw puzzles and a chalk board. Don't forget the fruit, nuts and candy.

Milford Eugene wants a scabbard and gun set, a truck, also fruits, nuts and candy.  
Don't forget all the other little boys and girls.

We are your little friends,  
Franky Don, Myrtis Marie and Eugene Mullins.  
P. S.—Please Santa, don't forget our mother.

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy 7 years old. I like school fine.  
Santa I want you to bring me a gun and scabbard, wheelbarrow, some games and a cowboy suit. And Santa don't forget my daddy as he is a gunner on a ship in the Navy, so be good to him.

Lots of love,  
Lendore Bouldin.  
Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl eight years old. I go to school and like it fine.  
Santa, I want a doll, bath robe, house slippers, doll carriage and some games, but most of all Santa I wish you would bring my daddy home. He is in the Navy and on a ship, so please don't forget him and my mother.

Love,  
Jackie Fay Bouldin.  
Haskell, Texas.

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa:  
I'm a little boy four years old. I have been a good boy most of the time and help my mother. My Daddy is somewhere in the South Pacific so I won't ask for very much for Christmas. I'd love to have a little wagon and a puppy and a letter from Daddy. And I'd love for you to pray for my Daddy to come home to me and Mother and my three sisters.

Bobby Camp.  
Haskell, Texas.

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a doll that will go to sleep, a wash tub and board and iron and ironing board, and clothes line and pins. Also Santa bring me a little house and dishes and lots of nuts, candy and fruit. Please remember my little sister and brother. Bring sister a sleepy doll and brother a bow and arrow with other toys. I am a little girl three years old. I have been a good girl and Santa, also remember my Grannie. She stays with me while Mother works. I will be looking for you Christmas, so good-bye. Love.

Yvonne Long.  
Haskell, Texas.

Haskell, Texas.

W. P. Garvin, the former pastor, was sent to Merkel and he and his family have moved to that point.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Couch have moved from Monday to this city. Mr. Couch is in charge of the loan department of the Haskell National Bank.

40 Years Ago—Dec. 24, 1904  
We are informed that there will be a new drug store opened in Haskell after the first of the year.

Grover Simmons has returned from a trip to California.  
Miss Mary A. Young will leave Monday to spend the holidays at her home in Cresco, Iowa.

A United States inspector of the Star Route mail lines was here this week on a tour of inspection of the routes in this section. Mr. J. L. Baldwin, who has contracts on three lines out of Haskell, informed us that the inspector paid him quite a compliment, saying he made the best time and kept the best horses and rigs of any contractor in West Texas.

Santa Claus has for his assistants at Terrell's drug store, Mrs. A. E. Brockman, Miss Docia Winn and Miss Cora Lemmon.

Capt. W. E. Raymer of Stamford was in Haskell on business Thursday.

S. V. Jones has purchased 320 acres of land about two miles west of town on the Rayner road and is building a house and making other improvements preparatory to making it his home.

J. F. Armstrong of the southwest part of the county was in the county capital Tuesday. There is a considerable acreage of wheat in his section and he reports that it is doing well.

Jim Killingsworth returned last Friday from a visit with friends at Alford.

C. R. Peters is having a new barber shop erected on the lot south of Robertson's store. The building will be completed within a week or ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Pierson and children returned Thursday night from a several weeks visit in East Texas.

Dr. J. G. Simmons has recently bought, through Mr. S. W. Scott, sixty acres of the James Scott league near town for \$12.50 per acre.

G. W. Thomason left Thursday on a business trip to Fort Worth.

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl three years old. I live here in Haskell. I have been a good little girl all year. Please bring me a doll and a doll bed, also a table and some little chairs.

Please don't forget my Daddy who is in Italy. Dear Santa, remember all the other little boys and girls, especially the ones whose Daddies will be away from home this Christmas.

With love,  
Carolyn Sue Josselet.

Rochester, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want you to please bring me an animal and farm set and a football, candy, fruit and nuts. Remember everyone else.  
Your friend,  
John Ben Glover.  
P. S.—I am seven years old.

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am three years old and I have been a good little boy. Please bring me a train, truck and a wheelbarrow, candy, fruit and nuts. Don't forget my cousins in Pampa.  
Your friend,  
Ben Allen McGee



## THE HOLIDAY SEASON

We wish you again, as we have wished for you many times before, a joyous Christmas, and a successful New Year.  
We trust we have met with your hearty approval in the past and that our efforts to serve you have not been in vain. May we continue to serve you in the future.

### FOUTS DRY GOODS and VARIETY

JOHN E. FOUTS

## Haskell County History

As Revealed by the Files of the Free Press 20, 30 and 40 years ago.

39 Years Ago—Dec. 26, 1914 lodge and their families enjoyed The members of the Yeoman their annual Christmas oyster



## FOR A CHEERFUL CHRISTMAS

We are happy to offer our best wishes to each of you for the most cheerful Christmas you have ever experienced. It is with reverent appreciation of all the blessings that have been made possible by friendships of long standing, that we extend our best wishes for your happiness on this Christmas day and every day of the coming year.

### John F. Ivy and Family

# CREATING GREETINGS

To You, One and All!!

Expressing our appreciation of your courtesies of the past year and extending the compliments of the season, we wish you a Season of happiness, goodwill and contentment. Whatever the New Year holds for all of us, may it see the realization of your every ambition.

## Brazelton Lumber Company

JIM BYRD, Manager

## how much WHITE LIGHT

### in a pound of BLACK COAL

THE lamp has a 100-watt bulb in it and the lump of coal weighs one pound.  
Pulverized and blown into the big boiler of a modern power plant, a pound of coal\* provides enough steam to generate about three times as much coal to produce a kilowatt-hour of electricity as it does today!  
That much electricity, in turn, will light the lamp for ten hours long enough to read this newspaper and a couple of novels. Or will run a small radio for 25 hours, a food mixer for 13 hours, a washer for almost 7.  
"So what?" you say. The point is this. 25 years ago, it took about three times as much coal to produce a kilowatt-hour of electricity as it does today!  
The all-around efficiency which gets several times as much white light from black coal has benefited YOU in many ways.  
It has made your electric service better and cheaper year by year. It has met tremendous wartime demands for electric power, without delay, shortages or rationing. It has held the price of electricity at an all-time low, while other costs went up.  
These results come from the sound business management of the nation's light and power companies—and from the hard work of men and women who know their business—and who are preparing for even greater accomplishments tomorrow.  
\*Some plants use less than 1 pound; some more, because of differences in coal and equipment. The nation-wide average is 1.3 pounds per kilowatt-hour.

## West Texas Utilities Company

## Mama's Sugar Says:

# Merry Christmas

## To Texans and Friends Everywhere

### Thanks for Your Loyalty and Your Consideration of IMPERIAL'S Job in Wartime

Sugar is vital to victory. And Imperial Sugar isn't always plentiful for civilian needs. Despite tremendous demands, worker shortages and transportation difficulties, the folks at Sugar Land, Texas, are working night and day to supply your grocer and you with the Imperial, Pure Cane Sugar that Texans like best. Don't blame your grocer when he is temporarily out of Imperial Sugar... or when he offers Imperial in paper packages only. It contains the same fine, pure cane Imperial Sugar you have always known... May the holiday season be a happy one for you and yours. It is the wish of IMPERIAL SUGAR COMPANY of Sugar Land, Texas.

## IMPERIAL SUGAR

Pure Cane SUGAR

### TEXAS' OWN.. 100% PURE CANE

# Season's Greetings



## WE ARE GRATEFUL AT CHRISTMASTIME

In the excitement and hurry of the Christmas Season, it is difficult to see all one's friends even for a moment, to extend Yuletide Greetings. We do not wish to overlook any of our many friends at this glad time of the year so we are taking this means of wishing each of you a Merry Christmas; to acknowledge your many kindnesses and favors and to thank you for all you have done for us.

May good fortune follow you throughout the coming twelve months.

### Morris System Grocery & Market

# Once A Year..



HERE COMES AT LEAST one time during the year when we pause to consider the past events and courtesies for which we are thankful.

To us, that time is Christmas. And those things for which we give thanks are the many opportunities we have had to serve the fine people of this area.

These associations have meant a warmer and friendlier season—they have made possible a most successful year and we trust that these fine associations will be influential in making possible the continued increase of friends and the further growth of our business.

*In our own way, let us say, "Thank you" and wish you a sincere Greeting. May the blessings of the Christmas Season be yours and may the New Year bring you ever so much happiness and prosperity.*

## R.B. Spencer & Co., Lumber

John A. Couch, Manager

## Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a ring and bring my Daddy home from the Navy. Love,  
Mary Bowers.  
Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl eight years old. My Daddy is in the Navy. His name is Clifford B. Cagle. I have just come from California and I will be in Haskell for Christmas.

Would like for you to bring my Daddy home for Christmas, and too, I would like for you to bring me a big doll, a game, bedroom slippers, a velvet dress, ironing board, fruit, nuts, candy and don't forget all the other little girls and boys. Oh, yes, Santa please bring grand-dad Yancy a pair of socks.

Yours truly,  
Patsy Louise Cagle.

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a doll, a handkerchief, and a pair of gloves and some candy and lots of nuts and fruit. I am 2 years old.  
Nettie Pearl Angley.  
O'Brien, Texas.

Dear Santa:  
I want a little doll and doctor and nurse kit.

Jerry wants an airplane and a train. We want all kinds of candy, some nuts and fruit.

With love,  
Noel Wray Beason  
Rule, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl seven years old in the high second grade. I have been a good girl this year.

Will you please bring me a big doll that I saw at the Ben Franklin store in Haskell? I would like to have a signet ring and some fruit, candy and nuts. I have a little sister, she is 5 years old. Her name is Norma Dayle. Will you please bring her a doll, ring, fruit, candy and nuts. Remember all the little children.

Lots of love,  
Barbara Ann  
O'Brien, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl seventeen months old. I have been a good little girl this year.

Please bring me a doll, picture book, teddy bear and fruit and candy. Don't forget my friend Lindall Cypert.

Your little friend,  
Joan Emerson.

Dearest Santa:  
I don't expect much from you this year because I have a brother in Fort Meade, Maryland, and one in Camp Cook, Calif., so I want you to go see them too, and bring me just what you have. I am seven years old and in the second grade. Don't forget the other servicemen either. Bring Daddy and Mother and sister something, too.

Very truly,  
Billy Joe Brown.  
P. S.—Please don't forget our soldiers.

Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a baby doll and clothes and a sailor doll. I want some children's phonograph records and a blackboard and colored chalk. Robert wants a sailor doll and a wagon. Don't forget to pick up the things that Daddy told you to bring us. Fill our socks with any other toys you may have and leave us some nuts, fruit and candy. Don't forget the other children.

Your little friends,  
Sandra and Robert Coburn.  
P. S.—I want a pair of house shoes.

O'Brien, Texas.

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl that goes to school at O'Brien. I'm seven years old, in the second grade. And I have been a good little girl this year so please bring me a doctor and nurse set, clothes for my dolls, house coat, fruit and nuts. Don't forget my sister and brothers and all the other girls and boys, and my uncles that are overseas.

Love to you,  
Jeanette Pack.  
Rochester, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl five years old. I would like for you to bring me a doll, a doll bed, a set of dishes, a baking set, a stove and a blackboard.

Yours truly,  
Phyllis June Dixon  
Rochester, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy almost three years old. My birthday is Dec. 23. I would like for you to bring me a teddy bear, a block set, a wagon, a dump truck, a gun and if you can find one I'd like to have a tricycle.

Yours truly,  
Joe David Dixon.  
Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa:  
I have been a good little girl. Please bring me a doll that has hair, an Army nurse kit, and a chair. Also some candy, nuts and fruit for Christmas. Don't forget my Daddy who is in the Navy.

Lois Howard.  
Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy eight years old. Please bring me a holster and gun set, Army jeep, machine gun, fruit, candy and nuts. Don't forget the other boys and girls Christmas.

Kenneth Howard.  
Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl four years old. I have two little sisters, one is named Martha and the other one Peggy.

We have been good this year so would you please bring me a new doll and a doll bed. Martha wants a rocking horse and Peggy would like to have a ring.

Your friend,  
Doris Ann Greene  
Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa:  
We have been real good little boys and girls. So bring me a gun, car and tricycle. Bring Sister a doll, car and wagon. And please don't forget mother and daddy.

Ronald Joe and Barbara White  
Haskell, Texas.

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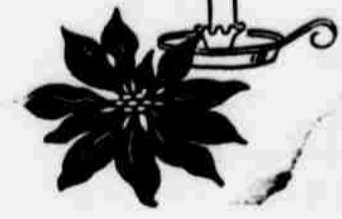
## THE SOFT GLOW OF CHRISTMAS CANDLES

Brings to our minds the true value of friendships—and leads us to ponder over the many deeds of kindness that have been extended to us in the past.

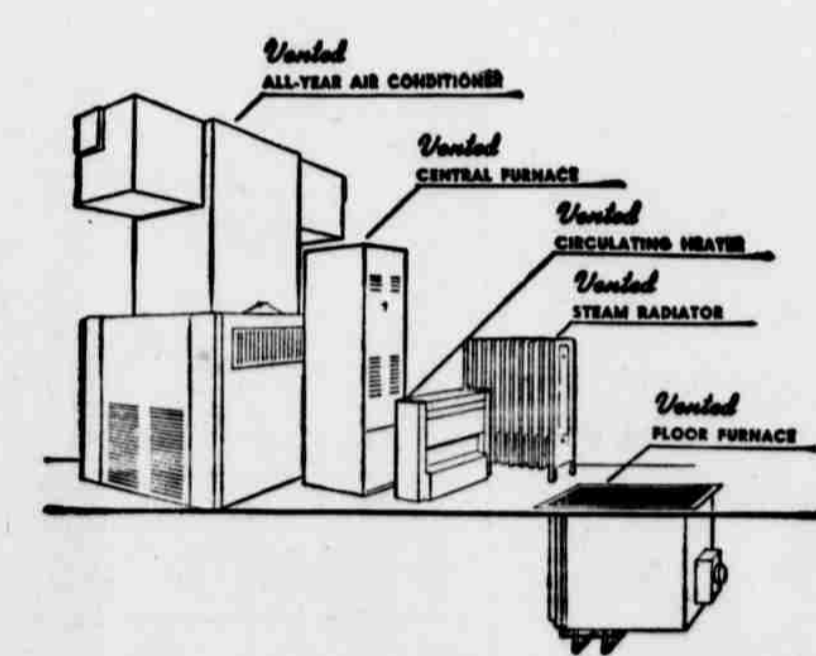
We are indebted to you for these kindnesses and the thoughtfulness back of them, and desire to extend compliments of the Season to you, one and all!

### A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

## Hammer Laundry



## New Era Heating requires a VENT



Modernizing or building a new postwar home? Above is a picture of things to come in heating equipment; equipment designed for healthful, pleasant, comfortable living. Each is vented, vented to a flue to avoid wall sweating and eliminate stuffy air. So in your plans be sure to include sufficient flues because, regardless of the type you select, they are necessary for modern gas heating.

KEEP ON BUYING WAR BONDS!

## LONE STAR GAS COMPANY

## WAR BONDS in Action

This scene looks peaceful. However, on the back of this ox is laden munitions for our fighting forces on a Pacific island. Your War Bonds are in action everywhere and under strange conditions. You can be sure your War Bonds do a full day's work. Step up your payroll savings. Buy an extra War Bond today. U. S. Treasury Department

# Merry Christmas from the TEXAS and RITA Theaters

AND THE EMPLOYEES OF THE TWO SHOWS

G. D. TRIPLETT, Manager Texas.  
DORSEY OLIPHANT, Manager Rita.

MARGIE AMMONS, Cashier  
MRS. EVA SPEER, Cashier

B. F. COWLEY, Projectionist  
KENNETH LARNED, Projectionist

KENNETH TOOLEY, Projectionist  
MRS. ETHEL FARMER

JOAN WOOD, Doorman  
DOROTHY DODSON, Popcorn

JERRY JOHNSON, Popcorn  
MORRIS TOLIVER, Janitor  
HUBERT HAYS, Sign Changer

Friday, December 22—  
In Technicolor  
**"Greenwich Village"**  
Carmen Miranda  
Don Ameche  
William Bendis  
SHORTS

**MATINEE**  
**EVERY DAY**  
Through  
**January 1**

Saturday, December 23—  
GENE AUTRY  
In  
**"MELODY TRAIL"**  
OWL SHOW, 11 P. M.—  
**"Allergic To Love"**

**Texas Theatre**  
Sunday-Monday December 24-25—  
**"Abroad With Two Yanks"**  
A LAUGH RIOT  
Donald's Day Off  
Latest News

Tuesday, Wednesday, December 26-27—  
Vick Powell, Linda Darnell, Jack Oakie  
**"It Happened Tomorrow"**  
Special Showing of 300 Haskell Service Men on Screen  
**Special Free Kiddies Matinee**  
Saturday, December 23, 10 A. M.  
Sunday Nite, December 31—  
**"Kansas City Kitty"**

Thursday, Friday, December 28-29—  
**Mrs. Parkington**

## RITA

Friday and Saturday  
December 22-23—  
**Cheyenne Wildcat**  
Yankee Doodle Mouse  
Tiger Woman No. 9

Sunday and Monday,  
December 24-25—  
**JOE E. BROWN in**  
**POLO JOE**  
SHORTS

## Classified Advertisements

### LOST AND FOUND—

LOST—Black key folder, somewhere on northeast corner of square. If found return to Courtney Hunt. L22p

### POULTRY & PET STOCK—

FOR SALE—Have 200 fryers ready to eat. 1 1-2 block north of High School. W. J. Adams. L22p

### WANTED

WANTED—To buy gas cook stove. Table top preferred. Jno. Tinkle. Phone 214-J. L22p

### FURNITURE FOR SALE—

FOR SALE—4-burner gas cook stove. See Mrs. W. H. Edwards across street from Trice Hatchery. Phone 348-W. L22p

### FARMS FOR SALE—

FOR SALE—316 acres on pavement, REA. Six miles west of Seymour, 240 in cultivation, well improved. \$75.00. Bunkley & Jones, Seymour, Texas. L22p

FOR SALE—118 acres five miles northwest of Seymour, 100 in cultivation, good improvements, REA, two orchards, well, windmill and plenty of water, immediate possession. \$80.00. Bunkley & Jones, Seymour, Texas. L22c

FOR SALE—Eleven acres close in well improved. Price \$32.50. See A. D. English. L22p

FOR SALE—300 acres, 190 in cultivation; extra good land; more can be put in; good improvements. Price \$50 per acre. See A. D. English. L22p

FOR SALE—88 acres one mile west of Seymour, level sandy land, all in cultivation, new improvements, good well and windmill, plenty of water, rural electricity, immediate possession, \$90.00. Bunkley & Jones, Seymour, Texas. L22c

### FARM MACHINERY—

FOR SALE—1942 model Ford tractor and equipment. Almost like new. Also 3-disc John Deere Plow, Frank or Will Jeter, 1 mile south of Center Point. A5p

FOR SALE—F-12 Farmall Tractor, with tools and tractor in good condition, 8 1-2 miles southwest of Stamford on Anson highway. B. E. Hattow. L22p

FOR SALE—Farmall regular tractor, good rubber, fully equipped. Ford truck, long wheel base, good rubber, new motor. Bill Holt, Haskell, Texas. L22p

FOR SALE—McCormick Deering No. 6 Feed Mill with a 4 Ferguson pulley and belt. Mrs. W. N. Huckabee. L22c

### HELD WANTED—

WANT PLEASANT OUTDOOR WORK in a business of your own? Good profits selling over 200 widely advertised Rawleigh home-farm necessities in East Stonewall, Jones and Throckmorton counties. Pays better than most occupations. Hundreds in business 5 to 20 years or more! Products—equipment on credit. No experience needed to start—we teach you how. Write today for full particulars. Rawleigh's, Dept. TXL-340-145, Memphis, Tenn. L22p

### MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE—Three bicycles for sale; 2 boys and one girls. One house east of Holden's Funeral Home. L22p

COAL—\$10.00 per ton. This is Oklahoma coal we are selling out at the gin at \$10.00. No deliveries. F. T. Sanders & Son. L22c

1943 EQUITIES each month charges increase. Can use 300 by first of January to fill mill order in South Carolina. Take all grades and staple for this shipment. Ralph Raney. L22c

## WHAT HAPPENED IN WEINERT THIS WEEK

Bobby Owens has been dismissed from the Knox City hospital where he had his tonsils removed.

Miss Jew Williams was shopping in Haskell and Stamford on Saturday.

Miss Thelma Copeland who is a student at NTSTC, Denton, had her appendix removed at a Denton hospital last week. Her mother, Mrs. Walter Copeland, was with her during her stay at the hospital. They returned to Weinert Friday and Thelma is reported doing nicely.

Misses Marie Thomas and Pauline McBeth of NTSTC, Denton, are at home for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. J. B. King and Lynda Gayle of near Munday attended church here Sunday and visited relatives and friends.

Mrs. J. W. Liles and Bill Liles and children were shopping in Haskell Saturday.

Mrs. Martha Baldwin Brewer left Tuesday for California to join her husband who is in training there.

Weinert Study Club  
The Weinert Study Club had their usual Christmas party for members and husbands on Thursday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Reid with Mrs. P. F. Weinert as hostess.

The house was decorated with Christmas sprays. Forty-two was played and enjoyed, after which the hostess assisted by Mrs. Reid served date pudding with whipped cream and coffee. Plate favors were tiny Santa Claus. The climax of the evening was when all were invited into the dining room for the visit from Santa. The table was beautifully decorated and around the tree were gifts for all which were distributed after the singing of Christmas carols led by little Miss Joella Weinert.

The guests present were Mr. and Mrs. A. Bartell, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Monke, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Liles, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Reid, Mes-

dames Henry Monke and G. C. Newsom. Besides the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Weinert, the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bettis and Misses Nadine and Joella Weinert.

Shower for Mrs. Ned Rich  
A shower was given on Tuesday December 12 for Mrs. Ned Rich, formerly Miss Billy Lewellen, in the home of Mrs. Bill Johnson, with the following co-hostesses: Mesdames Ruby Coggins, Bob Baldwin, Bill Pickering, Walter Copeland, R. H. Jones, Beth Edwards and G. C. Newsom. The guests were greeted at the door by Mrs. Baldwin and Mrs. Beth Edwards presided at the Bride's Book which was made by Miss Jew Williams as a tribute to Ned who was formerly her pupil.

Mesdames R. H. Jones and Bill Pickering served the guests cookies and coffee, after which Mesdames Coggins, Johnson and Newsom took the guests through the rooms where the gifts were displayed.

The following registered in the Bride's Book:  
Mesdames Meredith Pickering, Louise Merchant, Wren, M. L. Raynes Sr., Miss Joyce Turnbow,

Grandmother Earp of De Leon is here visiting relatives. Mesdames Cecil Gary and G. C. Newsom were shopping in Haskell Thursday.

Mrs. J. R. King of near Munday were in Weinert Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Moreland and children were shopping in Haskell and Stamford Saturday.

Miss Mildred Mansker, Mesdames J. W. Aycock, A. D. Bennett, Fred Monke, Frank Ford, John Earp, R. L. Edwards, Claude Reid, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Beard and D. M. Beard, Mrs. S. E. Cothron and Mac, Mesdames Virgil Reeves, S. C. Hawes, Mrs. Jim Driggers and Lucy, Mesdames J. Weldon Young, J. M. Williams and Miss Jew, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Rich, Mesdames H. F. Monke, Russell Rainey, Doc Stephens, J. B. King, Ben Bruton, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Jones, Mesdames Mattie Malcolm, J. W. Liles, Bill Liles, P. F. Weinert, Raymond Mathison, Clayton Milhoon and Treva Kay, Mesdames Earline Earp, Ed McClure, Alfred Turnbow, Burl Bunkley, Harry Bettis, Pearl Brown, Bob Rich, Frank Lewellen, Hall Bill Schwartz, J. F. Cadenhead, Bailey Guess, G. L. Walker, Henry Pickering, C. F. Oman, Lillian Rich, Carrie Mae Reid, Darlene Allen, Miss Wanda Roberts, Everett Medley, Frank Oman, John Rich, Miss Nelda Sue Rich, Eddie Allen and Bob Rich Jr., J. A. Henry, Charlie and Mary Lewellen and the hostesses.

AT THE—  
**State**  
THEATRE — STAMFORD

SUNDAY—One Day only  
December 24—  
Admission 12 and 35 Cents  
Tax Included  
Nelson Eddy, Chas. Coburn,  
Constance Dowling, in  
**Knickerbocker Holiday**

It's the happiest holiday in years.  
Plus Selected Shorts

**Christmas Day and Tuesday**

12 and 35 cents. Tax included  
Abbott and Costello in Their Latest and By All Odds Their Greatest Hit! MGM's  
**Lost In A Harem**

With Marilyn Maxwell, Jimmy Dorsey and His Orchestra.  
Plus Selected Shorts

## VISITING MOTHER

Mrs. Rudy De Rosa, of Long Beach, Calif., the former Annette

## Laird of this city, is visiting

mother, Mrs. Laird in the city. Her husband is overseas.



Please accept our sincere thanks for your patronage—we hope we may continue to have the opportunity of serving you.

**Texas Cafe**  
MRS. CARRIE McANULTY

More Want Ads  
on Page Seven,  
Section Two.

**Come Worship With Us**  
AT THE  
**Fundamental Baptist Church**  
The Bible Only and Always.  
Turn with us Sunday Morning to Genesis 12:1-4  
"Faith Exemplified in Abram."  
Hear the morning message, "Light Is Come."  
A regular old-time Christmas, like that in days of yore, when thoughts inspired actions that resulted in the performance of good deeds to friends and foes alike.  
May the Spiritual Blessings of Almighty God, Contentment and prosperity attend all your efforts throughout the coming year.  
PASTOR

**IN GRATEFUL APPRECIATION**  
For A Most Prosperous Year  
We Extend Greetings and Every  
Good Wish to Each of You for  
A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND  
HAPPY NEW YEAR  
**Ideal Security Life Insurance Company**  
W. H. Littlefield, Secretary-Treasurer  
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With VIT-A-WAY  
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NO CATCHING OR EXCITING OF BIRDS!  
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**TOYS**  
FOR EVERY CHILD  
**GAMES**  
TO FIT EVERY AGE  
EVERY PURSE  
AND EVERY PREFERENCE  
**Lanier Hardware and FURNITURE**

WHO SAYS,  
**"Merry Christmas?"**  
**WE DO!**  
We welcome the Christmas season for the opportunity it affords us to express our appreciation to the people of Haskell for the cooperation, encouragement and assistance extended this organization during the past year.  
We are also grateful for the material assistance given the Fire Department by business firms and individuals, and for the loyal cooperation of City officials.  
Throughout 1945 it will be our constant aim to always be in readiness to serve efficiently and promptly when our help is needed.  
**Haskell Volunteer Fire Dept.**



# The Haskell Free Press

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SHED JAN. 1, 1886

Haskell, Haskell County, Texas, Friday, December 22, 1944

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## Additional Books Are Added To Library

Library of Haskell high school is increasing but books needed. Supt. J. Cleo ... this week.

Senior-Junior Magazine co-operating in this drive each member donate a ... doesn't the citizenship ... resolve to make this ... and each family in ... give one or more books? ... following list is accept-

... in Mist, The Jester's ... Time of Change, Paris ... Toward Some, Prize ... of 1938, Phantom Crow- ... of Maximilian and Car- ... rumpets at Dawn.

Book of Great Detective

Stories, Royal Escape, Patricia, We Married An Englishman and Went to Live in Iraq, Best Known Works, Natalie, The Bitterroot Trail, Gray Caps, " ... and Tell of Time", American—Life Story of a Great Indian, Lighting the Torch, Out of the Flame, China Quest, For Keeps, Private Props—A story of a girl's adventures as a news reporter.

Short Stories of Katherine Mansfield, What's A Heaven For? The Ghose on the Balcony.

**HERE FROM MUNDAY**

Mrs. J. W. Roberts of Munday visited her father, Dr. J. D. Smith and other relatives and friends here Monday.

## S. W. Chamberlain Made Master Sergeant

Master Sergeant S. W. (Sam) Chamberlain recently received promotion to that rank, his father, S. L. Chamberlain of Haskell learned in a recent letter. M-Sgt. Chamberlain has been with U. S. Forces in England for more than two years, and married a young English woman last year. A graduate of Mattson high school, young Chamberlain entered the service shortly after finishing school.

## Pvt. Curtis Carter Is Transferred To Lincoln, Neb.

Pvt. Curtis T. Carter, who was a visitor last week in the home of his mother, Mrs. J. H. Carter and family, left Saturday for Lincoln Field, Nebraska, where he will be stationed for the present. He was formerly at Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls. Mrs. Curtis Carter will make her home with an uncle, Ben Sellers of Longworth, Texas, while Pvt. Carter is in the service.

## MISS MERLE DE BARD HERE FROM CANAL ZONE

Miss Merle DeBard, nurse in a Government hospital in the Canal Zone, is here to spend several weeks with her mother, Mrs. R. E. DeBard. Miss DeBard has been in the Canal Zone for the past 15 years. Before going there she was connected with a large American hospital in Cuba. Most of the travel from the Canal Zone to the States is by plane, she said.

## RETURNS FROM VISIT IN OKLAHOMA

Mrs. T. A. Payne, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Wogman of Elk City, Okla., returned home the first of last week.



Official U. S. Army Photo

Enough, and on time, is a slogan of the Army's Air Transport Command, which ferries supplies by air to all our far-flung battlefronts. Here is a C-54 cargo plane, being unloaded with the use of a forklift truck at Carney Field, Guadalcanal.

## RETURNS TO FT. WORTH AFTER VISIT HERE

Miss Gayle Roberts, Assistant Home Demonstration Agent of Tarrant County returned to her home in Fort Worth Sunday afternoon after a short visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam A. Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Beggs of this city are announcing the arrival of a nine pound, 10 ounce boy born December 13. The husky young fellow has been named Johnny Dale.

## GAINESVILLE WOMAN VISITOR HERE

Mrs. Beulah Covington of Gainesville, Texas, spent the past week-end with her brother and sister, Virgil Phemister and Mrs. W. B. McMillin.

## HERE FROM ABILENE

Rufus Banks of Abilene was a Haskell visitor during the week-end. A former resident of this city for many years, Mr. Banks was City Secretary here for four years.

## Membership in Teachers Assn. Over 30,000

Enrollments in the Texas State Teachers Association are growing. Already more than 30,000 teachers have paid their fees for the current year and it is possible that a record membership will be reached by the end of the fiscal year, December 31.

This is an achievement of which the teaching profession of Texas may justly feel proud. It has been attained through the untiring efforts of many individuals and groups. To Dr. Sam H. Whitley, membership chairman for the state, to all district and local unit membership chairmen, to city and county superintendents, to principals and college presidents and deans, to President Link, to Director of Public Relations, C. H. Tennyson, and to the rank and file of classroom teachers, we offer a tribute of appreciation, gratitude and praise for an outstanding service worthily performed.

Never in the history of the Association has there been shown a finer spirit of teamwork than that manifested during the current membership campaign. Never have results been more heartening. Never have the power and effectiveness of organization and cooperation been more clearly demonstrated.

Haskell county is 100 per cent in membership. The citizens of Haskell county are proud of the professional teachers in Haskell county and the fine progress that is being made in the county as a whole.

## MR. AND MRS. MAPLES HERE FRIDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Maples of Wichita Falls spent a short time in Haskell Friday visiting relatives and friends. They formerly lived here, and were on their way to Stamford to visit a son, Carl Maples Jr., and his wife.

## Methodist Crusade for Christ Rally Scheduled

The Crusade For Christ is the organized response of the Methodist Church to assume its part in meeting the unsettled conditions and vast staggering needs created by the second World War. The Northwest Texas Conference is conducting a Rally in Amarillo December 18 to which all ministers and lay representatives will go. The Rally is presided over by Bishop Charles C. Seecman of Dallas, and the program will be directed by outstanding leaders of the Church. The main speaker will be Dr. Roy Smith, editor of the Chicago Christian Advocate.

In connection with this Rally the Conference Board of Education will sponsor the annual Con-

ference on Christian Education in the Local Church. At this meeting plans for the year will be formulated for the Church Schools of the Conference as they cooperate with the total program of the Church. Rev. Grooms, pastor of the local Methodist Church will direct the Young Adult section of this planning conference and preside over the business sessions.

## SUNDAY VISITORS IN SCOGGINS HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Kimbrough Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Coyt Hix and family and Mrs. Beulah Covington were Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Scoggins.



AS THE TUNE OF THIS GREAT OLD CHRISTMAS CAROL IS SUNG THROUGHOUT AMERICA, WE PAUSE TO EXTEND SEASON'S GREETINGS TO OUR MANY LOYAL FRIENDS.

**The Novelty Shop**  
MRS. D. A. JONES

**... BETWEEN US  
PERSONALLY!**

*There are so many things we would like to say to each of you personally. Personal wishes created by our mutual friendship. These are in our heart and you will know, this simple greeting covers them all.*

*May this Christmas bring you an abundance of health, happiness, peace and prosperity.*

**BABYLAND**  
MRS. SOPHIA DECKER

**LEST WE FORGET**

*Merry Christmas  
Happy New Year*

Let us be thankful for Christmas and the things for which it stands. Let us be thankful for fine associations, loyal friends ... let us give thanks for a high standard of living that makes it possible for us to get the fullest enjoyment out of life.

That part of Christmas so frequently minimized is its religious significance. This is the birthday of Him who taught Faith, Hope and Charity.

Let us not forget to find time to be thankful, to sing praises to Him for the blessings received. As we celebrate Christmas day with rejoicing, let us celebrate it with a deep thankfulness in our hearts and a prayer that we may enjoy this significant occasion for many, many more years to come.

# Letters to Santa Claus

**Weinert, Texas.**  
**Dear Santa Claus:**  
 I am a little girl 8 years old. I have been a very good little girl at home and at school. When you come to see me on Christmas please bring me a doll, doll house and Nurse Kit.  
 Thank you very much.  
 Your friend,  
 Brenda Lou Josselet.

**Weinert, Texas.**  
**Dear Santa:**  
 I am a little boy six years old. I have been a very good little boy this year.  
 I want a tank digger and a ring and a car for Christmas.  
 Thank you very much.  
 Your little friend,  
 David Robert Josselet.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
**Dear Santa:**  
 I am a little boy seven years old. I go to Haskell grade school and am in the high second. I love my teacher, her name is Mrs. Cox.  
 I want a football, identification bracelet, and a ring for Christmas. Also please bring me some candy, nuts and fruits.  
 Please be good to all the little boys and girls everywhere, and Santa be real nice to all the boys that are fighting for us.  
 Your little pal,  
 Clarence Alvin Calloway.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
**Dear Santa:**  
 I am nine years old and I want you to bring me a little doll. I want a Spell It game, and don't forget the boys overseas. I want a birthstone ring, also fruits, nuts and candy.  
 Your friend,  
 Oma Gayle Holcomb.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
**Dearest Santa:**  
 I am a big boy ten months old. I am a good boy. I want a little horse and a doggie, and truck, some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget all my little cousins and the other little boys and girls.  
 Thank you.  
 Billy Jack Carter.

**Rule, Texas.**  
**Dear Santa Claus:**  
 I am a good baby and I want a dollie. Sister says I am too small, but Santa I am awful big. I am eight months old and can stand alone and maybe I will walk for you Christmas. And Santa I may get sisters doll if I don't have one of my own. I want a rattler, too. Bye, Santa, this is my first Christmas, so don't forget me.  
 Phyllis White.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
**Dear Santa Claus:**  
 Please bring me a doll, a little purse, mittens and some red dishes.  
 Don't forget my big sister and little brother.  
 I have been a good little girl.  
 Linda Berry.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
**tract of land, situated in Haskell County, Texas, more particularly described as follows:** Lot out of S. E. corner of Out Lot No. 2 of two acres of the Brown & Roberts Addition to the town of Haskell, Texas, same being a part of the I. Ramos League and Labor Survey, described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at the S. E. corner of said Lot No. 2 for S. E. corner of this tract; thence north 140 feet; thence west 155.6 feet; thence south 140 feet; thence east 155.6 feet to the place of beginning, containing 1-2 acre of land upon the following trust, to wit: The defendant was to possess and enjoy the use and benefit of said land and premises until default should be made by him of said indebtedness or any part thereof and upon such default being made the said Ira Hester, trustee, upon the request of T. R. Odell, or the holder of said note should sell said land to the highest bidder for cash, at public auction, after advertising the time and place of said sale for three consecutive weeks and out of the proceeds arising from said sale after paying all charges costs and expenses of executing this trust including a fee of five per cent to the trustee on the total of the indebtedness secured by this deed of trust, the note above described and all sums of money due or to become due hereunder with interest as agreed, rendering the balance of the proceeds arising from the proceeds of said sale, if any, to the defendant herein as more fully appears by said deed of trust and the same was and is now a valid and subsisting lien against said above described land and premises.



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**Horace O'Neal**  
 Your District Clerk

**Haskell, Texas.**  
**Dear Santa:**  
 I have been a good little boy and I want you to bring me a little wagon with blocks on it, a little red tractor like Reids' have and a little blue plastic airplane. Please bring me some candy, fruit and nuts. Don't forget the other little boys and girls and Santa, don't forget my big brother L. D. that is in the Army. Be nice to him. Thanks.  
 Your little friend,  
 John Lee Holcomb.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
**Dearest Santa:**  
 I am a little girl five years old. I want a doll, a doll buggy, a set of dishes, fruit, nuts and candy. And Santa don't forget all the soldier boys. Help them to have a Merry Christmas, too. Thank you.  
 Your little friend,  
 Mary Lee Carter.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
**P. S.—I have been a good girl and taken care of my baby brother for my Momie.**

**Haskell, Texas.**  
**Dear Santa:**  
 I want a doll and dishes and candy and nuts. My little sister wants the same thing for Christmas if you have them for us. I don't know much to write right now for this Christmas.  
 Anita Anderson,  
 Leon Anderson.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
**Dear Santa Claus:**  
 I am a little girl 6 years old. I will be 7 years old Christmas. I want you to bring me a doll buggy. And don't forget my little brother. He wants a wagon. He is two years old. I have a little nephew that will be one year old in January. He would like a little Santa Claus to play with.  
 My little brother and nephew are good. They play good together. I am good too.  
 I started to school this year, and I think I am going to like school.  
 Please bring us the things we want.  
 Your friends,  
 Bobbie Ann and W. L. Holt Jr., and Gordon Wayne Logan.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
**Dearest Santa:**  
 I am a little boy 15 months old. I want a little dog, a bear and a wagon.  
 Don't forget Daddy. He is in Lincoln Field, Nebraska. I am an awful good boy, Santa.  
 Thank you.  
 Curtis Joe Carter,  
 Longworth, Texas.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
**Dear Santa:**  
 My name is Billy Faye Rinn. I heard you brought gifts to good little girls—Momie said so. So I have been a good girl. I am two years old. I hope you come to see me this year.  
 Billy Faye Rinn.

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 Your friends,  
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**GREETINGS and Good Wishes**

It is our sincere wish that we may have a part in making your Christmas full of good cheer and fellowship. We want to add something to the happiness of every person in this community.

Perhaps this little message will help you forget the unpleasant incidents and experiences of ordinary days. May brighter days be the compensation for your sacrifices toward making this a better world in which to live. May you find the beauties of life around you and the opportunities for the service it affords.

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ONE OF THE PLEASURES OF CHRISTMAS IS THE JOY OF WISHING HAPPINESS TO FRIENDS LIKE YOU

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But with Peace, as in wartime, FOOD will continue to be the world's most vital necessity in the up-building of health and well being of the peoples of the earth... And America will continue to produce and supply the world's greatest variety of nutritious fresh fruits and fresh vegetables in abundance for you and your family.

The Ben E. Keith Company and all the Independent Retail Dealers who serve the Southwest with fresh fruits and fresh vegetables—"Fresh From Keith's"—extend to you cordial and sincere Holiday Greetings.

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## Letters to Santa Claus

O'Brien, Texas.

Dear Santa:  
I have been a nice boy this year and would like for you to come see me. I would like for you to bring me a desk and a chair, blackboard with chalk and a set of soft lead pencils. I have a little sister that would like a big doll, table with chairs and a set of dishes.  
Your little friend,  
David Ross Frierson.

O'Brien, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl almost two years old. I want you to please bring me a doll, doll cradle, a mop, a little set of dishes and a locket. I want some fruit and candy, too. Don't forget all the other little girls and boys.  
Your little friend,  
Doris June Robertson.

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a doll, a doll buggy, and dishes. And some fruit, nuts and candy. I have been a good girl.  
Bye.  
Pansy Nell Hammer.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy seven years old. Please bring me a gun and scabbard and belt. My little brother is 4 years old. Please bring him a truck and tractor. And please remember the other little boys and girls.  
Your little friends,  
L. A. Covey, Jr.  
Jerry Lynn Covey.

Dear Santa:  
As usual I want you to bring me a dolly for Christmas, but please bring one with hair—real hair. Baby Dorsey wants a stuffed dog or cat. Both of us need some more War Stamps, too. Santa, I'll hang up my stocking and leave the door ajar. Love,  
Pansy Oliphant.  
P. S.—I sure would like to have a machine gun and jeep.

Weinert, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a real good boy all this year. Please bring me a new wagon, an upholstered rocker, a wheel-barrow, a bath robe with bunny slippers to match, a gun, lots of fruit, candy and nuts. And please Santa remember all the soldiers, sailors and Marines all over the world.  
Lots of love,  
Charles Therwhanger.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy five years old so Mother is writing my letter to you. For Christmas I want a big airplane, a train, an Army jeep and tank. Please remember all the other little boys and girls and my Daddy in the South Pacific.  
Sincerely,  
Bobby Cass.

Haskell, Texas.

Dearest Santa:  
I am a little girl. My Daddy is in the Army, so please Santa don't forget my Daddy.  
I want a doll, some dishes, a doll bed, fruits, nuts and candy.  
Thank you.  
Your little friend,  
Deloris Carter.

P. S.—I will be living with my aunt and uncle at Longworth, Texas.

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl six years old. I believe I've been pretty good this year. I'd like very much for you to bring me a doll muff, dishes, doll bed. I have a brother, Johnny. He is expecting you, too. We'd like some fruit candy, and nuts. And Santa don't forget our uncles, cousins, and friends that are in service so far from home.  
Good-bye. Your friend,  
Barbara Lee Lackey.

P. S.—I surely won't forget to put out some cake and milk for you.

Weinert, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl four years old. Please bring me a doll, mop, a telephone and a set of dishes. Don't forget my little brother, Dudley, who is eighteen months old. He wants a little horse, a truck and a lawn mower.  
Lots of love,  
Lynda Perrin.

P. S.—Santa, don't forget my new home is at Lehman, Texas.

Weinert, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy two years old. Please bring me a gun, a little horse, a pounding set, and a doll.  
Lots of love,  
Alvin Rex Marion.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl two years old and I try very hard to be good. If you think I've been good enough please bring me a tricycle, table and chairs, a doll and dishes. Don't forget my little playmates, Linda Gale, Judy, Glenda, and Rodney and all my other little friends,  
Dana Ruth Smith.

Dear Santa Claus:  
We are two little boys 6 and 2 years old. We want a Gym set and a cowboy outfit. Don't forget our Daddy who is in the South Pacific. He would like a furlough for Christmas awfully well. We'll be looking for you.  
Your friends,  
Charles and Joe Edd Viney.

Weinert, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a cowboy suit, an archery set, a holster set and a gun. Sue wants a bracelet. Love,  
Bill Bailey Guess.

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl 20 months old. I want a dolly and any substantial toys. You will find my little stocking hanging on my little rocker near the tree. I like candy and fruit.  
Love,  
Mary Lou Jetton.

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl eight years old. I go to school. Will you please bring me a doll and a ring. I have a little brother six years old. He wants a little soldier doll and a gun, and bring us some candy, fruit and nuts. Thank you,  
Barbara and Donald Campbell

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa:  
We are two little girls 5 and 7 years old. We have been good this year and will you please bring us a doll, a nurse kit, some paper doll books and lots of candy and nuts. Thank you, Santa,  
Nelta and Glenda Walton.

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little 5 year old girl. I want a doll and some candy and nuts. Please don't forget any of us boys and girls for we sure would be disappointed if you did. I live right back of Mr. Tysingers filling station on Route 1.  
Very truly,  
Mary Pearl Hall

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy nearly three years old. Mommie says I have been good, so I'll tell you what I'd like you to bring me Christmas. Most of all I'd like for you to bring me a little red tractor and trailer just like my Daddy's. Also I'd like very much to have a baby doll that sleeps and says "mamma" and "papa" and a football, nuts, candy. Please don't forget all the other little boys and girls.  
Your little friend,  
David Melvin Miller.

Dear Santa:  
We have been two good little boys. I want you to bring me a Tommy Gun, pistol and scabbard. Bring Jerry a wrecker and stick horse, lots of candy and nuts. Don't forget Mother and Daddy.  
Wayne and Jerry Collins.

Delaware was the first State to ratify the Federal Constitution, and its own constitution adopted in 1792 still forms the fundamental law.

### OUR CHRISTMAS WISH



Health  
Happiness  
Prosperity

It is a big order, we know, but we are sincere in the knowledge that our friends deserve all three.

It is good to think back over the events of the past year, and to pick out those things which are bright and cheerful. These memories overshadow the dark years and simplify the task of forgetting those which are sad. Your thoughtfulness to this organization is deeply appreciated, and because of this we deem it a privilege to express Season's Greetings. Our sincere good wishes to every one.

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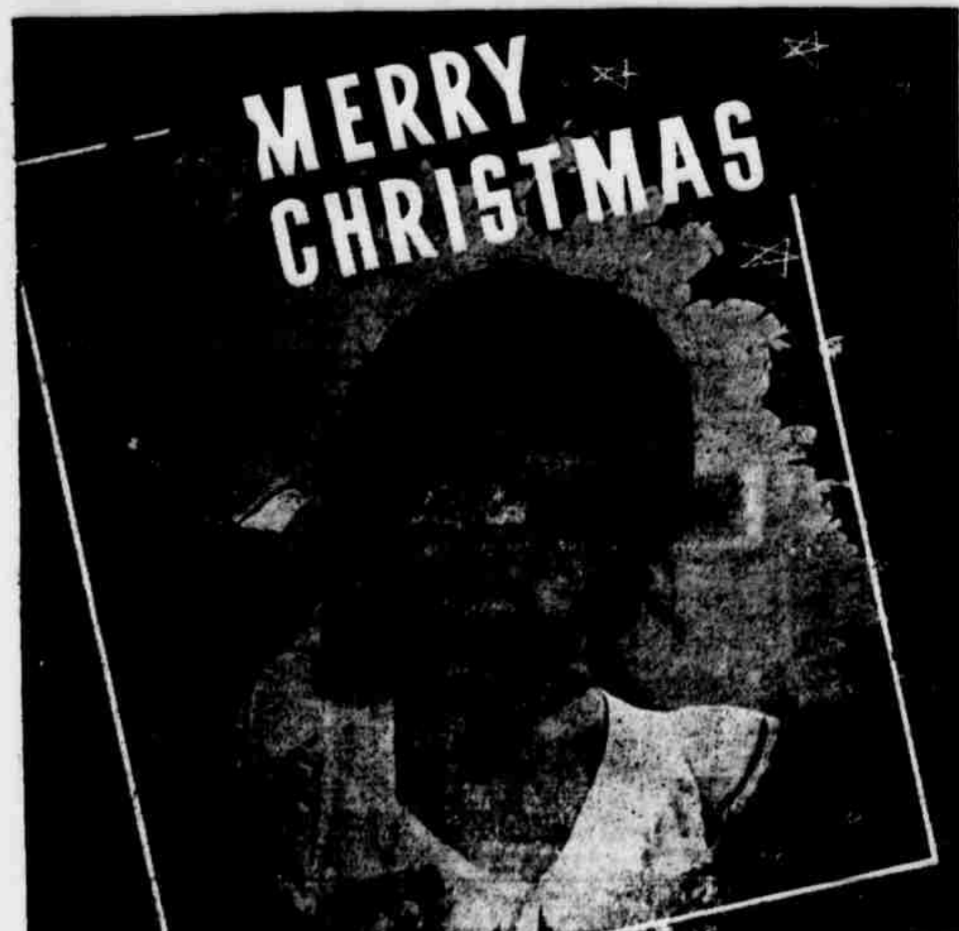
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MERRY CHRISTMAS



for CENTURIES PAST

Truly impressive is a spirit that has lived traditionally through centuries and centuries and which comes to us in this modern day as fervent and sincere as ever.

Each year heralds many changes in world affairs; each twelve months has its share of reverses and adversities; but through it all shines the bright star that leads toward PEACE and FREEDOM for all.

Would that all of us could carry the spirit of Christmas throughout the three hundred and sixty-five days of the year. What an enviable year it would provide.

As for us, we promise to keep these thoughts in mind next year. We want it to be the happiest ever for each of you, and we want to have a part in this happiness of yours.

Merry Christmas now, next year, and many years to come. May the significance of the Yuletide continue to thrive through the centuries!



Lane-Felker Ladies Shop  
Lane-Felker Men's Wear

# Merry Christmas!

Friendship, like gold, becomes more precious with age. We oft-times neglect our friends and fail to speak words that will let them know just how much they mean to us. So we are grateful for the season that brings our hearts and minds to the realization of the worth of our friends and also gives us the opportunity to say "We appreciate you, and thank you for the kindness and favors bestowed on us through your loyalty and patronage."

Our wish is that this holiday season be one of joy and merriment and the year 1945 be a succession of days filled with all the good things of life.

## HASKELL NATIONAL BANK

Nettie McCollum  
Ernestine Williams  
Pearleta Ivy

A. C. Pierson  
Joanna Honea  
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Thelma Pearl Oman

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# The Warwhoop

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### GYPSY RAMBLERS PRESENT BOOKS TO LIBRARY

"Thanks, to the Gypsy Ramblers," is an expression every student and faculty member of Haskell High wishes to make. This organization has recently contributed books to our library, the value of which amounts to \$33.00. Because the library is definitely in need of books, this gift is especially appreciated.

### ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

The students of Haskell High School had their weekly meeting Wednesday, December 13, 1944. The Future Stenographers presented a one-act play, "Polly Put the Kettle On". The audience was kept in an uproar of laughter throughout the play and everyone present truly enjoyed it.

### SENIOR SLAUGHTER

Say! Do you ever look up unless you see Sarah Beth running around? Keep up the good work, Truttie!

By the way we have a certain Senior boy who seems to be pretty popular with the Freshman girl! How about that Earl?

It seems that Mary Lou is isolated to these HHS boys! Maybe her heart belongs to Paint Creek.

The Senior Class sends many cheers to the Junior Class. Honest kids it was a swell play!

LETTERS TO SANTA  
Dear Santa:  
All I ask for is a big brown-eyed BOY from A&M covered over with chocolate. — Jimmie Free.

Dear Santa:  
I think this year I am too old for a doll so I believe if you will just bring me a "convertible" I can get by.—Earlene Pearsey.

Dear Santa:  
I want a package wrapped with cellophane, tied with red ribbon and in it, just one little HUSBAND.—Mary Ellen Smith.

Dear Santa:  
You have always been swell to me. Last year I wanted a Lieutenant and I got him. Now will you send him home.—Ruby McKelvin.

I know I haven't been extra good this year but if you will forgive me and let me be with my husband this Christmas I will be lots better next year.—Mrs. Chenoweth.

Dear Santa:  
This year if you will bring me a little red truck, a ball, and a toy pistol I will be satisfied.—Olen King. P. S.—If you have room you can slip Lucile Z. in too.

Dear Santa:  
I would like for you to send me a new automobile with four good tires and a spare. Oh! Yeah! and plenty of gasoline coupons. I would also like a couple of girls for me and my friend for we are lonesome. Your faithful admirers—Glenn and Don. P.S.—Hurry for we cannot wait till Christmas.

Dear Santa:  
I have been a very good little girl this year and have minded my mommie and daddy so please put a lot of tandy and nuts in my little wed stockin'. And put under my Crismus twee, a new house coat and house shoes, a dresser set and an expansion bracelet. Maybe you could send me a little BOY.—Alene Tidwell.

Students, from now on Just Brownsin' will be made up of "personal items" instead of the usual gossip.

We're glad to see Ruby Grace McKelvin back in school this week after her trip to California.

One of our ex-students, Raymon Mobley was back last week. Raymon is a Navy man now.

So many of our "gruesome twosomes" are breaking up. Could it be because there are only a few days until Christmas?

Another of our ex-students was back also, Pat Speer who is going to school for the Army.

Congratulations, Juniors, on giving one of the most delightful plays Haskell has seen in years!

We think the Home Ec Girls will make good cooks yet. For instance, those cinnamon rolls. Just ask Ruby.

Wonder what the song "Calm, Cool and Collected" means. Dorothy, Carolyn and Eddie seem to know all about it.

Ruth—Does your future depend on Thea's decisions? Happy landing.

Maxine which is it going to be, Keith or Rex?

Ola Muriel, what's this you're saying about Kenneth Tooley's ears?

We all welcome Sue Sellers back with us during the Christmas Holidays. May you have a pleasant time while you are here.

Christmas is just around the corner so I've been searching the notebooks and waste paper baskets for some letters to Santa Claus. Here's some hints, Santa:

Christmas Eve is coming soon. Now Santa, you dear ole man, Whisper what you'll bring to me. Marvin, if you can

Dear Santa:  
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The Shorthand Class gave a very entertaining assembly program Wednesday. Luvicia Williams simply "stole the show."

We're all glad to see Scamp out riding around this week. Hurry and get well, Scamp, we miss your beaming face around here.

The reason for the long faces last week was because we lost three of our students, Deana, Jean, and Claudia. Too bad! We will miss them.

Students! I'm absolutely ashamed of you for not turning out for our basketball games! You don't know what we're missing!

Say, did you hear about the boy who built a snow-woman 'cause he always wanted a dame to melt in his arms? What, you haven't heard it? Then you didn't listen to Kay Kyser last week!

No. 1: All or Nothing at All—Gerald Welch.

No. 2: Shoo Shoo Baby—Dorothy Lee Dodson.

No. 3: My First Love—Earlene Pearsey.

No. 4: Take It Easy — Lucille Zelisko.

Extra: It's No Fun Eating Alone — Charles Adams.

INSURE your future—  
Save WITH WAR BONDS

No. 5: My Little Girl — Curly Bird.

Extra: Don't Carry Ties Out of School—Patsy Weaver.

No. 9: I Surrender—Wanda Nell King.

No. 10—Once Too Often—Bobby Beth Lewis.

BROTHERS IN SERVICE HOME FOR VISIT WITH PARENTS  
Mr. and Mrs. C. K. have at home with them Christmas holidays those who are serving in the forces. Zug Phelps, class, USN, has been stationed at Camp Braden, but recently was red to a base in the Army Air Force and is at Bryan army air field.

## GREETINGS

OF THE YULETIDE SEASON

We can think of no better way to express our appreciation for the many favors you have afforded us in the past. We cannot see each of you personally, this message is with a sincere feeling of thankfulness to all. We wish you the Season's best.

**Hettie Williams**  
COUNTY CLERK

GLADYS O'NEAL LEATRICE SWINSON  
Deputies

TO WISH YOU ALL THE JOYS OF A

## HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON

AND EVERY HAPPINESS IN THE NEW YEAR

**Fred Stockdale**  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Friends and Customers

It is again the season of the year to wish you and yours the compliments of the Yuletide and we find it a pleasant task. May we acknowledge your many kindnesses and favors of the past, and in appreciation extend our good wishes for your continued health and prosperity.

**Banner Ice Co.**  
CARROL THOMPSON

TO MY MANY GOOD FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS!

Sincere wishes to you and your families, your sons and daughters in the service. May you have a good Christmas and a brighter New Year.

**MIKE SWEENEY**  
Representing Carpenter Paper Company, Ft. Worth

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

For you and all those dear to you, may this Holiday Time be one of great joy and happiness.

And for next year, we say,  
"Best of luck to all!"

## Tucker's Booterie

J. J. TUCKER

## SEASON'S GREETINGS

Not from the standpoint of custom only do we send you this message of Christmas cheer, but with genuine appreciation of our pleasant associations in the past. We extend to you our best wishes, and may happiness and prosperity be yours through all the year.

**Starr's Blacksmith Shop**

THE SEASON OF GOOD CHEER IS HERE!

As you gather with friends and loved ones for a festive Christmastime, please be mindful that our thoughts are for you and yours. We wish you a season of happiness, mingled with the many blessings you so richly deserve.

**Lanier Hardware and Furniture**

## Here's a Christmas PLEDGE TO THOSE WHOM WE SERVE

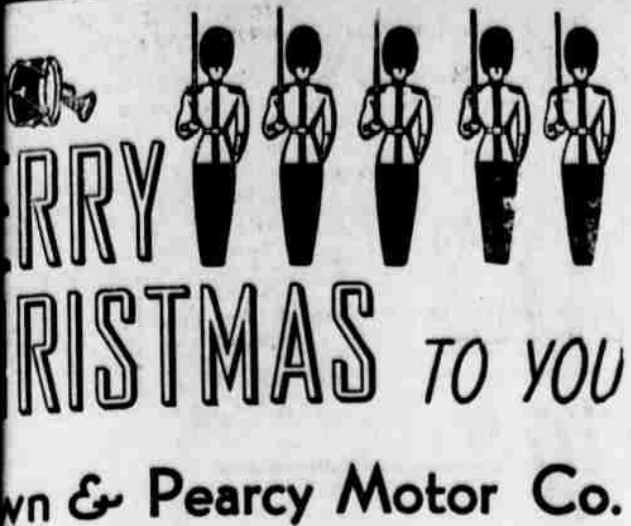
AS THE SHADOWS OF THE OLD YEAR LENGTHEN TOWARD THE TWILIGHT AND AS WE PREPARE OURSELVES FOR THE PROBLEMS OF THE NEW YEAR, IT GIVES US REASON TO PAUSE FOR A MOMENT OR TWO TO CONSIDER THE PLEASURES THAT HAVE BEEN OURS. WE SINCERELY BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE MANY GENUINE FRIENDSHIPS AMONG THE PEOPLE OF THIS FINE COMMUNITY; FRIENDSHIPS WE VALUE ABOVE ALL THINGS MATERIAL; ASSOCIATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN CEMENTED

BY THE LOYAL THOUGHTFULNESS OF THOSE WHOM WE SERVE WE ARE INDEED GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT HAVE BEEN PRESENTED TO US, AND WE ARE CONSCIOUS OF OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO YOU. WE DO NOT HESITATE TO RENEW OUR PLEDGE OF SERVICE AND CO-OPERATION IN WHATEVER CAPACITY WE MAY BE CALLED UPON. A JOYOUS AMERICAN CHRISTMAS IS EXTENDED TO THE CITIZENS OF THIS AREA.

**F. T. SANDERS & SON**  
Independent Ginners

## WAR BONDS in Action

Bonds for mercy! Bandaging a wounded comrade in Italy is a commonplace scene on every fighting front. Much of the money you lend your government by buying Bonds goes into medical aid for your fighting relatives and friends. Keep up your Bond buying. Buy an extra Bond today. U. S. Treasury Department.



**MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU**  
 Owen & Percy Motor Co.

**War Bonds for Christmas**

## Letters to Santa Claus

Ivan Star Route, Breckenridge, Texas. I've been good most of the time. I help my mother, my Daddy is somewhere in the South Pacific, so I won't ask for much. I want a little puppy and a little red wagon and a letter from my Daddy. And also pray for my daddy to come home real soon.  
 Sonny Boy Tatum.  
 Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good little girl most of the time. Please bring me some doll furniture and anything else that you would like to bring me. Also don't forget my little brother.  
 Nancy Coody.  
 Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa: I am nine years old and in the fourth grade and hope to make another grade this year. Please bring me a doll and dishes, I am going to be a nice girl.  
 Helen Alaman.  
 Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa: I am a little boy four years old. I want a big football and a big Tinker Toy set and anything else will please me. Don't forget Shirley and Joe Bob and Nancy and Rody.  
 Love,  
 Billy Middlebrook

Dear Santa: I am a little boy 7 years old. Please bring me a billfold and tractor. I live at Dallas, Texas. Don't forget daddy and mother, and please go see my uncle and aunt that live at Haskell.  
 Bye-bye until Christmas.  
 Billy Wayne Irvin.

### HERE FROM ABILENE

J. W. Roberts, former Haskell carpenter who is now associated with his son, Leo, in the tailoring and dry cleaning business in Abilene, visited in Haskell Saturday. He was on his way to Pampa, where he will spend the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends.

### HERE FROM RANDOLPH FIELD

Aviation Student Billy Kemp and Mrs. Kemp arrived last week end for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Giles Kemp and other relatives here.

## Candies for Christmas

This Christmas lots of homemakers are going to make candies at home. The reason is simple enough. Good candies are scarcer than they used to be—and cost more, too.

Whether you make taffy or fudge or mints, you'll want your candy to be smooth. And that's not so difficult either, in the opinion of Miss Louise Newman, County Home Demonstration Agent. For one thing, be sure to cook your candy in a perfectly smooth saucepan, that's large enough to allow the candy to boil up. After the sugar is once dissolved, don't stir these candies unless your recipe specifies. Stirring will cause the syrup to spatter on the sides of the saucepan. Usually it will form crystals as it dries, fall back into the syrup and make your candy grainy.

Now here's one other tip on keeping candy smooth. Miss Newman suggests covering the syrup during the first two or three minutes it cooks. That holds in the steam and helps prevent the formation of crystals.

One of the surest ways to keep candy from becoming grainy is to cook it to the correct temperature. That's simple of course, if you have a candy thermometer. If you haven't, keep testing a little bit of syrup in very cold water. You can tell from the kind of ball it makes or how the threads separate whether the candy has boiled enough. Another thing. Don't beat candy the minute it comes off the stove. Let it cool until it is comfortable to the touch. Miss Newman says beating very hot candy often makes it grainy.

If your sugar supplies aren't too plentiful, you can find some excellent candy recipes that call for part sugar and part corn syrup, honey, or molasses. These will not only save sugar but will give added flavor and help make your candy smooth.

Marshmallows a favorite with homemakers for preparing holiday delicacies may be made if there are none available at the local grocers'. The following re-

cipe yields 1 1/8 pounds.  
 2 cups granulated sugar.  
 1-2 cup white corn syrup.  
 1-2 cup hot water (rinse syrup from cup with this.  
 2 egg whites.  
 1-4 cup cold water.  
 3 tablespoon gelatin.  
 2 cups confectioner's powdered sugar.  
 1 teaspoon vanilla.  
 Soak gelatin in cold water. Cook sugar, syrup, and water to a firm ball stage (238 degrees F. if you use a candy thermometer.) Take from fire and add soaked gelatin, stirring until gelatin is thoroughly dissolved. Pour this mixture over stiffly beaten egg

whites and continue beating until it falls from the spoon in chunks. Sift powdered sugar on paper until it is about 1-8 inch thick. Pour mixture on it sprinkle powdered sugar over the top and leave until it sets, and will cut easily, usually 10 to 30 minutes. Cut with a very small cookie cutter or use knife dipped in powdered sugar to cut into squares. Roll each piece in powdered sugar, then put into a paper sack and shake to remove surplus sugar. Store in tightly covered container. If the marshmallows are made with an electric mixer, there will be more bulk than if beaten with a rotary beater.

these former employees are now serving their country in all parts of the world, we wish for them a glorious victory and a speedy return to home and loved ones.

- Army**
- CAPTAIN LEE STODGHILL (In Italy)
  - LT. CLINTON HERREN (In States)
  - LT. EUGENE FRIERSON (In States)
  - SGT. JIMMY CRAWFORD (In New Guinea)
  - CPL. GRADY BROWN (In England)
  - CPL. HAROLD CAGLE (In Germany)
  - SGT. ROBERT BROWN (In States)
  - PL. JOHN HENRY HEBBY (In States)
  - PFC. C. J. MOORE (In France)
  - LT. BOB McANULTY (In States)
  - PFC. ALMOS MILLER (In States)
  - SGT. BUFORD BARTON (In States)
  - SGT. LONNIE BROCK (In States)
  - ELTON CROW
  - JOE ISBELL (In S. W. Pacific)
  - DOYLE ANDREWS (In States)

- Marines**
- FRANK SMITH (In S. W. Pacific)
  - VELTON MOORE (In S. W. Pacific)
  - GEORGE TATUM (In S. W. Pacific)
  - SGT. GLENN EDWARDS (In England)

- Navy**
- LT. JOE MAPLES
  - CLIFFORD CAGLE (In S. W. Pacific)
  - TED WILLIAMS (In States)
  - LT. W. ROBERTS, AHN 1-C (Chicago)

PFC. LEONARD (PEE WEE) PREMISTE  
 Missing In Action In Italy

# A Holiday Thought...



We're waiting for the day to come  
 When "flying lizzies" dot the sky—  
 When plastic miracles on wheels  
 At 90-per go whizzing by.

We're looking forward to the time  
 When packaged homes are offered cheap—  
 When telephones take messages  
 And jot them down while we're asleep.

We don't mind waiting—it's worth-while  
 To know such things are on the way,  
 Like rocket ships and super-cars  
 And trips to Europe in a day.

BUT—all the things that really count  
 We have right now—no need to wait  
 For cheery smiles—for kindly words—  
 For friendships we appreciate.  
 And all the miracles of science  
 Couldn't add one atom to  
 The wishes for Good Luck and Cheer  
 Our "Season's Greetings" bring to you.

## Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

# Gratex Service Station

John E. Robison, Owner

KEEP ON  
*Backing the Attack*  
 WITH  
**WAR BONDS**



IN A CORNER OF THE WORLD



Where the guiding light of Peace still is the hope of its people, we pause and look back with pride to new friendships formed and old ones grown stronger. And as we face the future, we are grateful for the folks who have been our inspiration in the past, helping us to strive toward even greater service from year to year.

This is our pledge to maintain these efforts that we may continue to enjoy your confidence.

**Duncan Gin Company**  
 W. A. DUNCAN, Manager

# Cordial Greetings



IN A COUNTRY  
 IN A WORLD

Where the gleaming torch of Liberty and Freedom still burns brightly . . . we pause to reflect with sincere joy upon new friendships formed and old ones grown richer . . . and as we enter a New Year we express our gratitude to you for having made our experiences throughout the past year pleasant and profitable.

MAY YOURS BE A MOST MERRY CHRISTMAS  
 AND THE NEW YEAR PROSPEROUS

# Hassen Bros. Co.

"The Store That Keeps Quality Up and Prices Down"

VALUE OF EVERY HUMAN RESOURCE BEST EXEMPLIFIED IN REALIZATION OF

# The Power of Education

There is power in a waterfall, in a B-24, in an acorn. But there is greater power in education which teaches men how to control the forces of nature and changes the thoughts and actions of man himself.

Our enemies have demonstrated the power of education for destruction. Hitler built his whole scheme of conquest and power, hate and greed, upon a program of education beginning with the smallest children. He taught militarism, the theory of the master race, the breakdown of almost all moral values in which free people believe. He robbed youth of the right to learn to think for themselves.

Other nations, too are recognizing the power of education. Russia has made tremendous progress through the education of her people in both cultural and technical fields. The vast achievements of the Soviet Union in the present conflict would have been utterly impossible without the widespread educational foundations of the last two decades. And Russia continues to develop her educational program.

Britain is embarking upon the boldest educational program in her history—a plan which will almost double expenditures for education. Why? Because the war has taught her the value of every human resource. She knows that only through the strength of her people will Britain be able to

maintain a place of leadership in the world. Winston Churchill recently called Britain's plan the "most comprehensive scheme of universal education ever devised by and for a responsible government. We cannot understand the world and its inventions, nor maintain our place in the world in these complex times without such education."

**THERE IS POWER IN EDUCATION.** To fail to utilize this power for creative good is the greatest folly an individual, a community, a state or a nation can commit.

The above is taken from the National Education Association News. Every American should know his school and help make a better educational program for the youth of America.

## THE GLOW of YULE LOGS

Reflects the spirit of Christmas in a manner which best expresses our sincere good wishes to everyone.

In this brief, simple message, we wish to convey our Christmas Greetings, and trust that you will accept them in the true meaning in which they are presented. May the new year hold for you every success and may your every ambition be realized.



**Menefee & Fouts**  
Insurance Agency

### Farmers Will Get All AAA Payments, Mahon Believes

Washington, D. C.—Rep. George Mahon believes that the threat to reduce all AAA payments promised farmers on the 1944 program has been averted.

The situation came about because farmers in Texas and some of the other Southern and Western states, in their enthusiasm to cooperate with the war production program, have earned soil conservation payments in excess of funds available to the Department of Agriculture. The fact that Texas farmers over-earned by 29 per cent would mean a reduction in all AAA payments promised Texas farmers.

To meet the situation, the House of Representatives has now adopted a provision into law to provide for the full soil conservation payments as promised. Representatives Tarver of Georgia and Mahon of Texas, both members of the Appropriations Committee, took an active part in securing favorable action by the House. Adoption of the provision by the Senate is expected before adjournment of this session of Congress later this month.

### THE ARMY ANSWERS YOUR WAR PROBLEMS

Your questions on allotments, insurance, legal problems or other matters as they relate to Army personnel and their dependents will be answered in this column or by letter. Write Headquarters, Eighth Service Command, Dallas 2, Texas.

**Q.** Since my husband was listed as missing in action I have missed receiving one of my allowance checks. I have been told not to write the Office of Dependency Beneficiary about this matter. To whom can I write?

**A.** Allotment checks on soldiers missing in action are now handled by the Office of Special Settlement Accounts, 27 Pine St., New York 5, New York, and all correspondence regarding them should be addressed there.

**Q.** I read recently that discharges now being given do not contain anything about the soldier's physical condition on them. My honorable discharge has some remarks about my physical condition which make it hard for me to get the kind of job I want. Would the Army change my discharge to conform with the new policy?

**A.** Yes. Send your discharge to the Adjutant General, Washington 25, D. C. and indicate the correction you believe should be made.

**Q.** We have just received the message that our son was killed in action in Germany. Where could we find out just what happened to him?

**A.** Under a new Army policy, you will receive, in addition to a telegram and a letter from the War Department in Washington, a letter from the chaplain or commanding officer of your son's organization overseas. This letter will give all known details relative to the circumstances of his death, funeral arrangements and burial. No further information is available now at the War Department, or at Eighth Service Command headquarters.

**Q.** My husband has written me to get him some papers to use in support of an application he intends to make for an agricultural discharge from the Army. What kind of information should these papers contain?

**A.** Requests for discharges to accept employment in essential agriculture need no longer be accompanied by supporting papers of any kind. The discharge will be made by your husband's commanding officer and will be based only on the recommendation of the director of selective service.

The great philosopher and teacher of China, Confucius (551-478 B. C.), laid the foundation for the political system of the Chinese state.

A lie is a poor substitute for the truth, but it is the only one so far discovered.

War Bond Dollars Are **DOUBLE DUTY DOLLARS**

### Farmers Urged To Increase Acre Yield of Cotton

Calling attention to the United States Department of Agriculture outlook report that "present indications are that 1945 will be another favorable year for cotton farmers, at least so far as prices are concerned," the Texas Cotton Production Committee urges farmers to make plans to increase yields per acre in 1945 on all suitable land that can be planted to cotton under the present government program.

Returns from the 1944 American cotton crop, with lint cotton at parity prices and cottonseed prices far above parity, have been the highest for any year since 1928; and the Department expects the favorable income situation to continue next season unless production falls greatly.

Through wider use of improved practices recommended by the Extension Service, Soil Conservation Service and other agencies, Texas farmers can materially increase their cotton yields and income. L. E. Elwood, College Station, Extension cotton work specialist and chairman of the Texas committee, said:

"Proper land preparation and planting of adequate acreage to good planting seed are the first steps toward insuring increased yields and total production in 1945," Elwood said.

"Even with Texas average yield per acre the lowest for any major cotton state, cotton has been the best 'pay crop' most Texas farmers could grow for many years. The opportunity for making it even more productive and profitable in 1945 is great, and taking advantage of the opportunity will mean more money for growers, business and industry throughout the state," Elwood pointed out.

When light heads meet the bright lights, lightning strikes. The man who blushes is not a brute.

My office will be closed from Dec. 1 to Dec. 21 while I am in Chicago taking Post Graduate work.

**Frank C. Scott, M. D. SPECIALIST**



### Professional and Business Directory

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**We Wish You**

an OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS

At this radiant Season of good cheer, when business cares and worries are overshadowed by good fellowship and kind thoughts and deeds, we sincerely wish you an old fashioned joyful Christmas and a just reward for your every effort during the New Year.

You have been very considerate in every way during the time it has been our privilege to serve you. For that reason we have set as our goal greater efforts to serve you more diligently than ever before.

**Lyles Jewelry**

## a CHRISTMAS Message



THE SEASON'S GREETINGS AND ALL GOOD WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR

May you have, on every day of the New Year, the same happiness which we are sure will be yours on Christmas day.

**HASKELL IMPLEMENT CO**

## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Many good wishes for gladness and cheer, a bright Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with all the good things you so richly deserve.

With these thoughts we desire to also add our appreciation for the thoughtfulness of our friends and customers, who, by their friendships and patronage, have made possible our success in the past year.



**ADKINS SERVICE CLEANERS**

# Most Like a Gift From Santa--Bargains for Alert Buyers and Sellers

**FOR SALE--**  
Four room house with sidewalk; five in town; northwest bargain, \$1,100 cash. A. Brown. L81fc

**SEED--**  
ELS NORTEX SEED no Johnson Grass. L15p through, Sr.

**WOULD HAVE PROPERTY WILL?"**  
"LIFE INSUR. WILL"--  
? (ack) JOHNSON General Agent National Life 158 Box 156 HASKELL, TEXAS

**LIVESTOCK--**  
**FOR SALE--**One spotted Shetland Pony 2 1-2 miles north of Weinert. B. F. Bruton, Weinert, Texas. L22p

**FOR SALE--**4 head of horses. R. C. Dennis, 4 miles northeast of Rule on D. M. Whiteaker place. L22p

**FURNITURE FOR SALE--**  
**FOR SALE--**Mechanical, Cooloil Refrigerator. "Cold Spot". See Mrs. M. M. Clark, Rochester, Texas. L22p

**FOR SALE--**6 foot Kelvinator Electric Refrigerator in good mechanical condition. C. M. Carver, Rt. 1, O'Brien, Texas. L22p

**MISCELLANEOUS**  
BIBLES, TESTAMENTS -- New, complete stock of Bibles and Testaments. Well printed with attractive binding. Rev. C. Jones at Jones & Son. k241fc

**LOST AND FOUND--**  
**LOST--**String of pearls on square Monday. Return to Free Press office. L22p

**HELD WANTED--**  
**WANTED--**A woman to do general house work for elderly woman. If interested write Bertha Melton, Goree, Texas. L29p

**HELP WANTED --** Automobile mechanics. Brooks Motor Company, Ford Dealer, Telephone 100, Stamford, Texas. k31fc

**FARM MACHINERY--**  
**FOR SALE--**One good used grain drill. Also a few cords of wood at Lynn Pace place west of town. See Doc Carter. L81fc

**FOR SALE--**6 foot Gleaner Baldwin Combine in good condition. See E. G. Hattox, 4 1-2 miles north of Haskell. L29p

**FARMS FOR SALE--**  
**FARM FOR SALE--**155 acres-- 1-2 miles southwest of Haskell. Well improved. See S. A. Norris. L151fc

**FOR SALE--**200 acre farm located one mile northwest of Rule. Price \$30 per acre, with half cash and balance in loan. Worth the money. E. H. Baugh, Realtor, Rule, Texas. L22p

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**SEWING MACHINES** Repaired -- I am equipped to do anything for a sewing machine. I buy a few and sell a few used ones. Carl Rutledge, Norton House, Haskell, Texas. L29p

**WE ARE PREPARED** to inspect your tires, recharge batteries, rent batteries. New batteries for sale, Delco line, fix flats, starter and generator and all ignition repair work. Prompt service. Kennedy Service Station. tfc

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**WANTED --** Women and Juniors shopping for suits and coats. Pretty sizes and colors. Sizes in wanted sizes and colors. Sizes from 9 to 44. The Personality Shoppe, Elma H. Guest, owner, Haskell, Texas. tfc

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**  
To: Clarence W. Wreyford, Greeting:  
You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 1st day of January, A. D. 1944, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable District Court of Haskell County, at the Court House in Haskell, Texas. Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 9th day of October 1944. The file number of said suit being No. 7209. The names of the parties in said suit are: Mrs. Eva Mae Wreyford as Plaintiff, and Clarence W. Wreyford as Defendant. The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:  
To The Honorable Ben Charlie Chapman, Judge of Said Court:  
Now comes Eva Mae Wreyford who resides in Haskell County in the State of Texas, hereinafter called plaintiff, complaining of Clarence W. Wreyford who resides in Haskell County, Texas, hereinafter styled defendant and for cause of action plaintiff represents to the court:  
1. That she is and has been for a period of twelve months prior to filing the petition herein, an actual bona fide inhabitant of the State of Texas, and has resided in the County of Haskell for at least six months next preceding the filing of this suit, that on or about the 22nd day of May 1937, plaintiff became the common law wife of the defendant, the defendant introducing her as his wife and holding her out as his wife and living and cohabitating with her as his wife; that they continued to live together as husband and wife until on or about the 14th day of December 1943 when by reason, cruel, harsh and tyrannical treatment and improper conduct of the defendant toward the plaintiff she was forced and compelled to permanently abandon the defendant since which time they have not lived together as husband and wife.  
2. Plaintiff alleges that defendant's actions and conduct toward her generally are of such a nature as

to render their further living together as husband and wife insupportable the premises considered.  
3. Plaintiff says that her maiden name was Eva Mae Story and that she desires that her maiden name be restored to her.  
Wherefore plaintiff prays the court that the defendant be cited to appear and answer this petition and for judgment dissolving said marriage relations, or in the alternative annul said marriage. Plaintiff alleges that no child or children were born to this union and that there is no community property to be adjudicated, and for such other and further relief, special and general, in law and equity that plaintiff may prove herself entitled to and in duty bound will ever pray.  
Issued this the 13th day of November, 1944. Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Haskell, Texas, this the 13th day of November, A. D. 1944.  
HORACE ONEAL, Clerk District Court, Haskell County, Texas.

**FEDERAL LAND BANK LOANS**  
Now 4%, time 20 to 34 years. Land Bank Commissioners Loans now 5%, time 10 to 20 years.  
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**More Want Ads on Page Eight, Section One.**

**Ration Reminders**  
December 1 to January 1  
Sugar: Stamp No. 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34, Book IV, good for 5 lbs. indefinitely. Stamp No. 40, Book IV good for 5 lbs. sugar for 1944 home canning.  
Meats and Fats: Book IV, red stamps A8 through A5 through B valid indefinitely, good for 10 points each, Q5, R5 and S5 valid December 3, 1944.  
Processed Foods: Book IV, blue stamps A8 through Z8 and A5 through W5 good for 10 points each, valid indefinitely X-5, Y-5, Z-5, A-2, and B-2, valid December 1, 1944.  
Shoes: Book III, stamps one two and three with airplane pictures, each good for one pair indefinitely.  
Gasoline: (Coupons must be endorsed on front) "A" coupons, 4 gal. each with No. 13 expiring December 21. No. 14 becomes valid Dec. 22 and will remain valid until midnight 31, 1945. In B-4, B-5 and C-4 and C-5 rations, the coupons nationally have a value of 5 gal. each. "R-1" and "R-2," 5 gal. (valid for bulk delivery only); "T" coupons designated "Fourth Quarter," 5 gal. valid until midnight December 31. "D" one and one-half gal.; and "E-1" and "E-2" one gal. each.  
Tire Inspection: "T" book holders every six months or every 5,000 miles, whichever comes first. New mileage rationing record required to obtain gasoline rations. Application for passenger car tires replacement must show condition of all tires in use.

**S. S. Benefits for Kin of Men Killed in War**  
Survivors of deceased servicemen who worked in employment covered by the Social Security Act prior to their entrance into the armed forces were urged to contact the nearest Social Security Board field office by Ralph T. Fisher, manager of the Abilene field office.  
"In addition to any benefits payable from War Risk Insurance system," Fisher stated, "there may also be some payment from the Old-Age and Survivors Insurance system. These payments can be made if the worker (the serviceman or woman) was insured under the Social Security plan. Such payments are especially important if the deceased is survived by minor children, since monthly payments continue until the youngest child reaches 18."  
"Delay in filing the claim after notice of death is received may result in some loss of benefit by the survivor," Fisher added.

**STOCKHOLDERS MEETING**  
Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the HASKELL NATIONAL BANK of Haskell, Texas, will be held in the offices of said bank in the city of Haskell, State of Texas, at 2 o'clock p. m., on the second Tuesday in January, A. D. 1945, the same being the 9th day of said month, for the purpose of electing a board of directors for said bank and the transaction of such other business that may properly come before said meeting.  
a3c A. C. PIERSON, Cashier.

**STOCKHOLDERS MEETING**  
Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK of Haskell, Texas, will be held in the offices of said bank in the city of Haskell, State of Texas, at 2 o'clock p. m., on the second Tuesday in January, A. D. 1945, the same being the 9th day of said month, for the purpose of electing a board of directors for said bank and the transaction of such other business that may properly come before said meeting.  
a3c W. Q. CASEY, Cashier.

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★ Complete with Permanent Wave Solution, curlers, shampoo and wave set--nothing else to buy. Requires no heat, electricity or special shine. Safe for every type of hair. Over 6 million sold. Money back guarantee. Get a Charm-Kurl Kit today.  
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*Christmas Joy!*

ONCE AGAIN THE Yuletide season offers a welcome opportunity to extend cordial greetings and best wishes to all those whose friendship and patronage we have enjoyed during the year. May we express our appreciation of your consideration... and our best wishes for your continued happiness.

**Mart Clifton**  
**Clifton Produce Company**

**A MERRY CHRISTMAS**

is radiant season of Good when we strive to forget things which we want to, and when good fellow-kind thoughts are in minds of all, we sincerely you and your dear ones old-fashion Yuletide, and new Year abounding with us, good luck, and much merriment.



*Sincere Good Wishes*

**Trice Hatchery**

*Greetings*

**CHRISTMAS AND FRIENDS GO HAND IN HAND..**

All too often we take our friends for granted. We are aware of the fact that every day sees some evidence of the friendships of the people whom we strive to serve and too frequently we neglect acknowledging these kinships.

But at Christmas, when we pause in the busy whirl of everyday routine things, we become conscious of our shortcomings, and wish to convey in this message our heartfelt thanks for the good things that have come our way.

To you, our friends, we wish you a Happy Christmas and a New Year of Health and Prosperity.

**W. Gholson Grocery**  
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**Need a LAXATIVE?**

**BLACK DRAUGHT**

Block-Draught is 1-Usedly prompt 2-Usedly thorough 3-Always economical 25 to 40 doses only 25¢.

**The First Noel**

We gain new hope as we refresh our minds with events of a night so long ago. The night is dark and peaceful over Judea, shepherds are watching their flocks when suddenly here is a bright light and a heavenly host singing praises to a new born King. As the Wise Men of the East follow a guiding star they are led to the lowly manger where the Christ Child is born. They worshipped the Savior of the world who brought peace and joy to their hearts.

May this same Prince of Peace bring joy and peace to you as we commemorate His birth on this Christmas Day.

We think this is a fitting time to express to you our thanks and appreciation for your patronage and solicit the privilege of serving you in the future. May your New Year be both joyous and prosperous is our sincere desire.

**Jones & Son**



"PEACE ON EARTH"

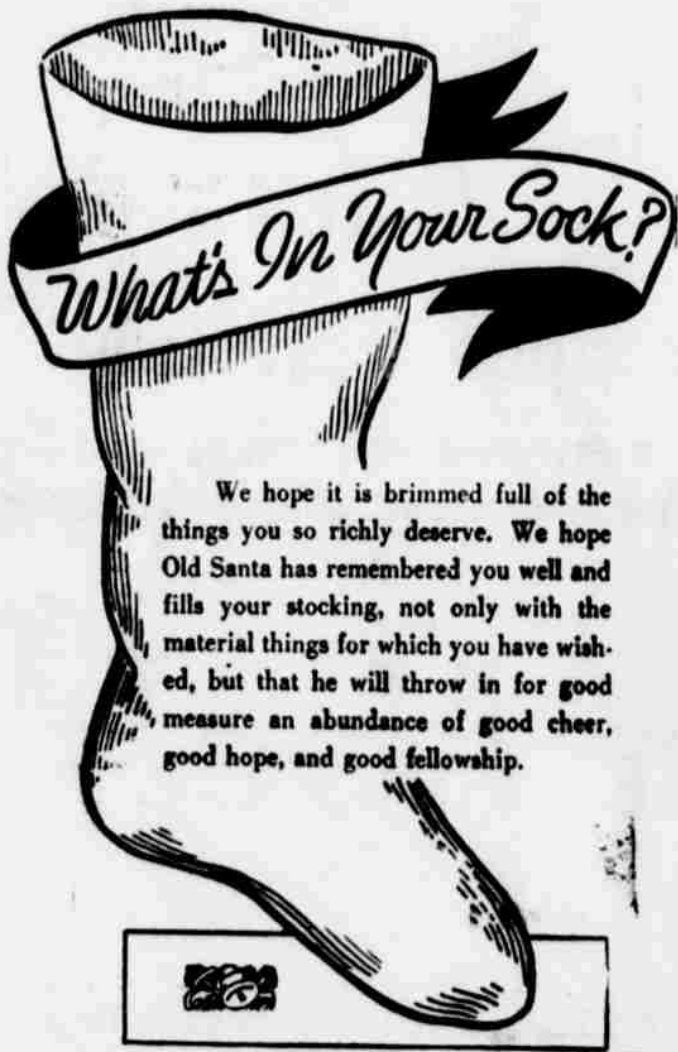
In these troubled times of world unrest and strife, Christmas brings home to us the realization that "Peace on earth, goodwill toward men" is more than just an empty phrase. It is the foundation of all the teachings of Him whose birthday we celebrate. May that spirit go with you throughout the days of the coming year.

Harrison-Herren Gin

Letters to Santa Claus

**Haskell, Texas.**  
Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good little boy this year, and I go to school and study hard, so please bring me a ring and gun for Christmas.  
Donald M. Campbell.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 8 years old. I am in the third grade. I have been good and I want a doll and a birthstone ring for Christmas.  
Barbara Sue Campbell.



We hope it is brimmed full of the things you so richly deserve. We hope Old Santa has remembered you well and fills your stocking, not only with the material things for which you have wished, but that he will throw in for good measure an abundance of good cheer, good hope, and good fellowship.

Gene Tonn

**Haskell, Texas.**  
Dear Santa: I have been a pretty good little boy this past year, so please bring me a machine gun, some soldiers and also a commando set. I am five years old.  
My little sister is two years old. She wants a doll, set of dishes and a little toy iron.  
Santa please don't forget our Daddy who is in Burma. I do think Santa all he would would be a furlough. Don't forget our mother Santa, also our grandfathers and grandmothers, and all the little boys and girls everywhere.  
Santa, under our Christmas tree is a large stick of candy for you.  
Merry Christmas to everyone. Love to you, Santa. Your little friends,  
Gene and Joan Decker.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
Dear Santa Claus:  
We are the little Hester girls and are 6 and 4 years old. We would like to have our things alike if you can find them. First we would like to have some pretty dolls with wardrobe trunks with some clothes in them and irons that really iron, and ironing boards. We would also like some chairs for our table and dishes and a knife and fork set. Anything else you want to bring us will be all right. We hope all the other little boys and girls get what they want, too.  
Bettye and Janice Hester.

**O'Brien, Texas.**  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a gun, doctor kit, army truck, fruit, nuts and candy. I am five years old.  
I have a little sister 16 months old. Please bring her a doll, a little chair, a little table and some blocks.  
Love,  
Dearl Ray Edge  
P. S.—Please bring my little sister and me a little wagon.

**O'Brien, Texas.**  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am eight years old and have tried very hard to be a good girl. I want you to remember all the boys and girls and especially the ones in the armed service.  
For Christmas I want a Red Cross kit, a doll and a doll buggy. Truly yours,  
Doris Ann Hutchinson

**Haskell, Texas.**  
Dear Santa:  
I am seven years old and am studying hard to make my grade. I will have some hay for your reindeers and don't you get sick because I am looking for you to bring me a gun and an airplane.  
Buster Kingsberry.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am six years old and in the first grade and have done well in classes. I want you to bring me a wash set and a doll. I have a Nugrape and some fruit in the ice box for you. Thanks.  
Mary Sue Alaman

**Weinert, Texas.**  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy three years old. Please bring me a big box of tinker toys, a little tractor, a new shovel, wheel bar, lots of nuts, candies, and good things to eat. Please don't forget my friends in the armed forces.  
Love,  
Jerry Doyle Dunnam.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy 3 years old. I have been a good boy and I want you to bring me an airplane, a truck and a cowboy gun, and remember my little brother Jimmy Ray. I want candy, apples and oranges. Remember my mother and daddy who is in the Army.  
Thanks,  
Bill Kingston, Jr.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl two years old and a sweet little girl too. I want you to bring me a doll, teddy bear and a six shooter. I am a little girl but I like guns. Most of all, Santa, bring my soldier daddy home for Christmas. He is in Fort Warren, Wyo., where it gets awful cold so please don't get snowbound before you get here with him. Be good to all the other little boys and girls too.  
Santa,  
Love,  
Linda McDonald

**Tahoka, Texas.**  
Dear Santa Claus:  
We have moved to Tahoka. I am almost six years old. Please bring me a little baby doll, some dishes and a table. I have a big doll and I would like to have some new clothes for it, and lots of candy, nuts and fruit. I am four years old. I would like for you to bring me an airplane and gun.  
Don't forget our little sister, Linda.  
Your little friends,  
Beverly and Jerry Overman.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy six years old. Please bring me a machine gun, and a toy pistol. Also a ship, a tank, jeep and a cowboy suit. I am a good little boy. I go to the South Ward school. Please don't forget my teacher, Mrs. Ballard. I'll be looking for you.  
Jerry Larned.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a very little boy one year old. I want a stick horse, dog, truck and anything else you want to bring me. Don't forget my daddy, who is in the Philippines.  
Jackie Harvey.

**Dallas, Texas.**  
Dear Santa:  
My name is Laura Mae Irvin, and I would like for you to bring me a doll and a bed for Christmas. And please don't forget my brother and sister. And Santa, please don't forget mother and daddy.  
With all my love,  
Laura Mae.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
Dear Santa:  
I am four years old, I go to the store for mother. I am really being good. Please bring me a cowboy set and a gun. Thanks.  
Mel Kingsberry.

**Haskell, Texas.**  
Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a telephone, a cedar chest, dishes, candy, apples, oranges, nuts. I have been a good girl. Bye Santa.  
Barbara Lillian Collins.

The principal eminence on which the U. S. Capitol building now stands was called Capitoline Hill by an Englishman named Pope who owned the whole tract of land in 1660. He called the area Rome and signed his letters "The Pope of Rome."

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THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS

Are enhanced by thoughts of the associations which have been ours in the past, reminds us of the joys of our hosts of friends in the area. We wish you Merry Christmas.

Market Poultry & Egg Co.

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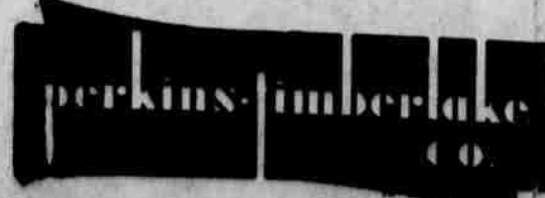
May The Spirit of Christmas Abide With You and Yours at This Happy Yule Season

We would wish that the Yule Log might burn brightly on your hearthstone and shed a cheerful glow over the faces and hearts of your loved ones who have gathered there.

May the Spirit of Christmas which is one of unselfishness, happiness and contentment be with us not only at the Yuletide but throughout the entire year.

We think it proper at this time to express to our friends, our appreciation for their patronage.

May this Christmas be the best you have ever had and the New Year prosperous.



A Sincere 'Thank You'  
For your friendly patronage which has contributed so greatly to our welfare during the past year.

A Cordial Wish...  
For a joyful Yuletide and a prosperous New Year, to each of those whom it has been our privilege to serve.

**RICHMOND JEWELRY**