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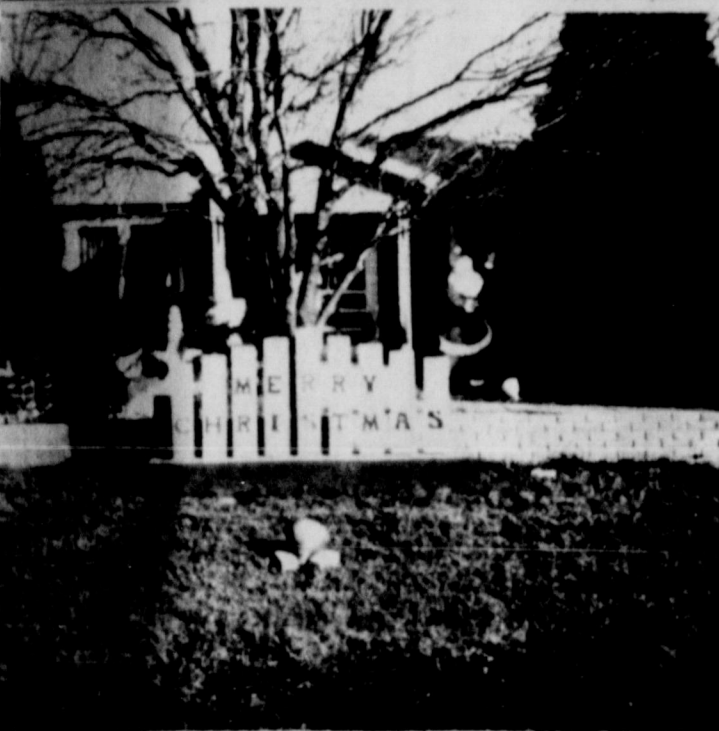
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find a pattern anywhere. As a last resort, he wrote the art department of Walt Disney Productions, Inc. and asked where he might obtain a pattern of the castle. Not only did he hear from the studios, but they sent him a large picture of the castle in detail. This scene has turned out to be one of the most beautiful of all, he said, and he plans to send a picture of it to the studios in the near future.

The lights for the display are on a time clock and come on at 6 p.m. and turn off automatically at 9:30 p.m. With this sort of schedule, the added electricity bill is not prohibitive, the Cartwrights explained.

Persons passing, even truckers, stop by and view the displays daily, the Cartwrights said, even though the daylight scenes are nothing to compare with the effect from the lights after dark.

Dub said that the Burns display in Wichita Falls inspired him years ago to begin his project and he has gradually added to it, year after year.

Even though a lot of work, not to mention the expense, has gone into the family undertaking, the Cartwrights derive much pleasure from seeing others enjoy looking over the display.

In addition to his family, Dub's mother, Mrs. Gladys Cartwright, is also a resident of Benjamin, where they are all active members of the Church of Christ.

This family certainly deserves a community award of some sort for contributing so much pleasure to their fellowmen.

And a Merry Christmas to you Cartwrights, too!

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Holiday Store Hours Set

Knox City businesses will be closed for the Christmas holidays, Wednesday and Thursday, December 25 and 26, according to Chamber of Commerce secretary-manager Mrs. Doris Crowover, and also again on Wednesday, January 1.

Federal offices will be closed Christmas Eve afternoon and all day Christmas Day, December 25, but will remain open for business as usual on New Year's Day, January 1.

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In the second round of play, the Hounds downed the Throckmorton Greyhounds 85-46. Robert Taylor was again high point man with 21 for Knox City and Marshall Allen with 28 for Throckmorton.

To take the second place trophy, the O'Brien Bulldogs slipped past Goree 63-59 in the first round of play. Their second game found them facing Olney 59-58, with O'Brien's Louis Rojas putting in 23 and Olney's Ronald Hickman with 22.

The consolation trophy was taken by Goree whipping Jayton 72-48.

The Knox City Houndettes were defeated by Chillicothe 70-68 in the first round of play. Temi Baker put in 34 for the Houndettes while Cindy Brock added 31 for Chillicothe.

The Houndettes defeated Jayton 60-25 in the second round of play with Temi Baker making high point with 23 for the Houndettes and Terri Sweet had 14 for Jayton. To win consolation, the Houndettes defeated O'Brien 63-43 with Temi Baker scoring 31 for Knox City and Betty Gutierrez 16 for O'Brien.

The Knox City JV girls lost out to Olney 69-19 in the first round of play with Melinda Hewitt scoring 15 for Knox City and Susie Copeland put in 22 for the winners.

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The Knox City JV boys lost out to Olney to Olney 37-21 with Ricky Bishop making 8 for Knox City and Kevin Hardin 14 for Goree.

Making the girls all-tournament were forwards, Temi Baker, Knox City; Cindy Brock, Chillicothe; and Susie Myers, Goree; and guards, Mandy Lankford, Knox City; Peggy Hendricks, Chillicothe; and Della Washington, Goree.

Boys named to the all-tournament team were Don Swearnger and Robert Taylor, both of Knox City; Marshall Allen, Throckmorton; Mel Reed, O'Brien; and Ronald Heckman, Olney.

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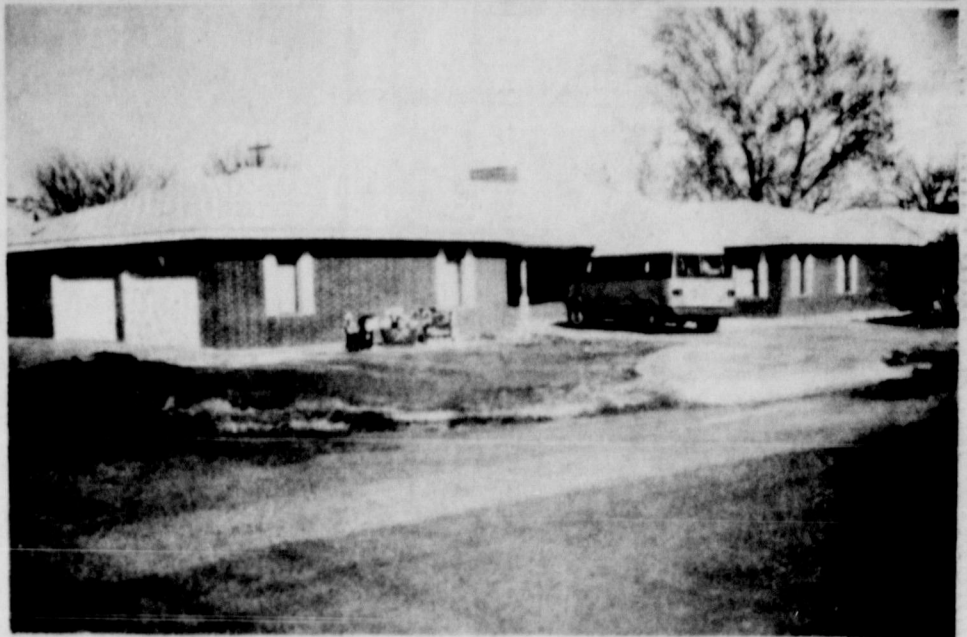
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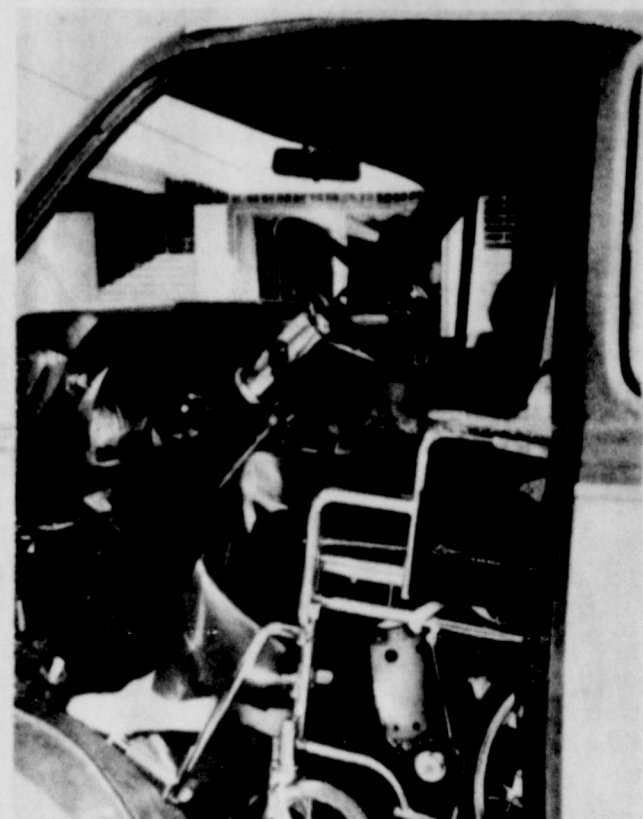
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SHOWN AT THE CONTROLS in his new Dodge van, Ben now drives himself to and from the Rehab Center in Abilene twice a week rather than having to depend on someone to take him.



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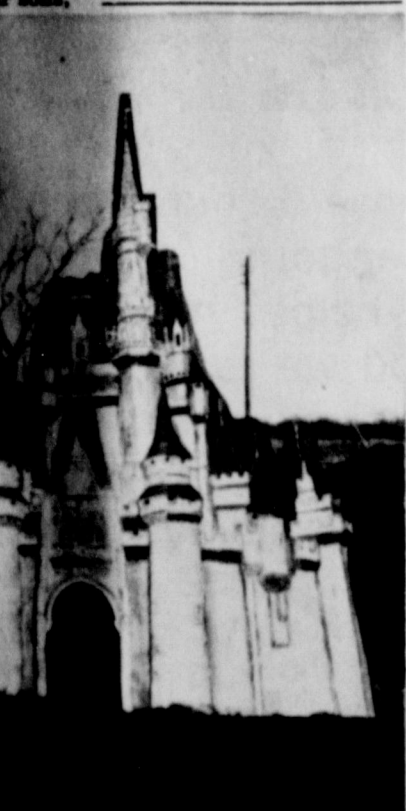
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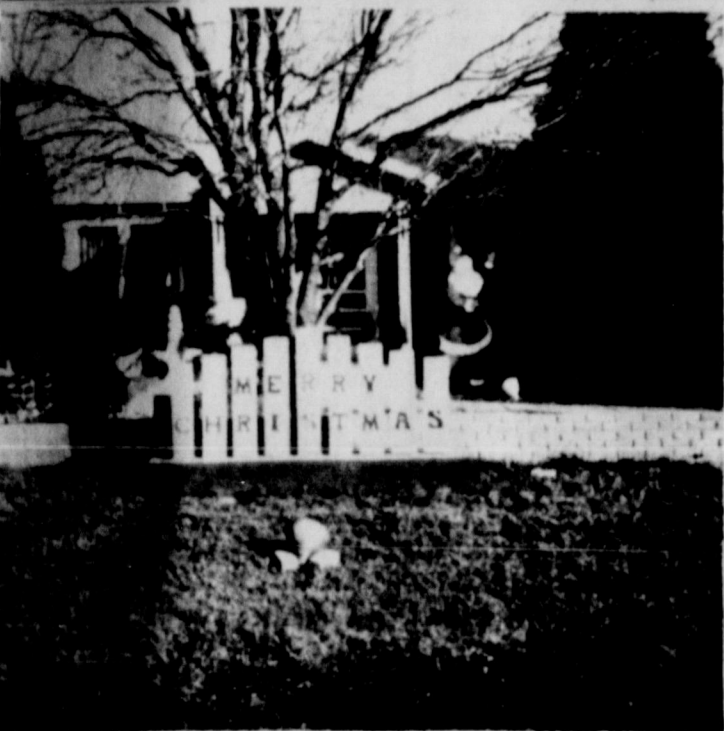
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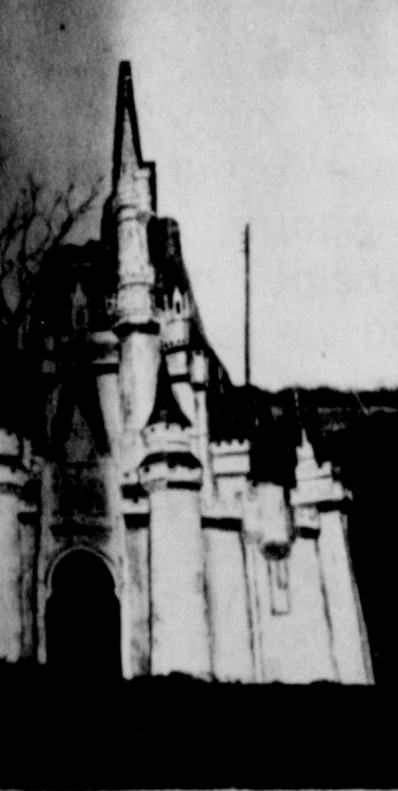
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Weather Observations

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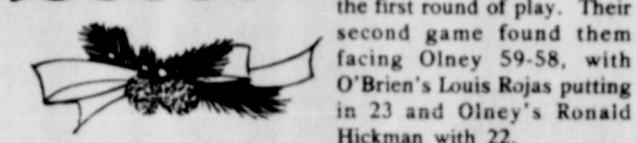
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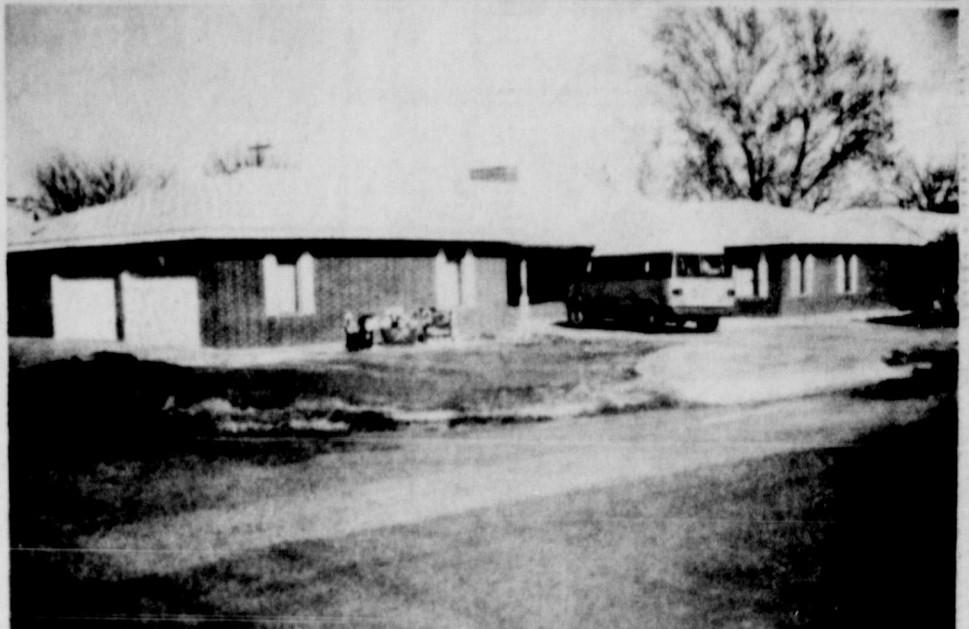
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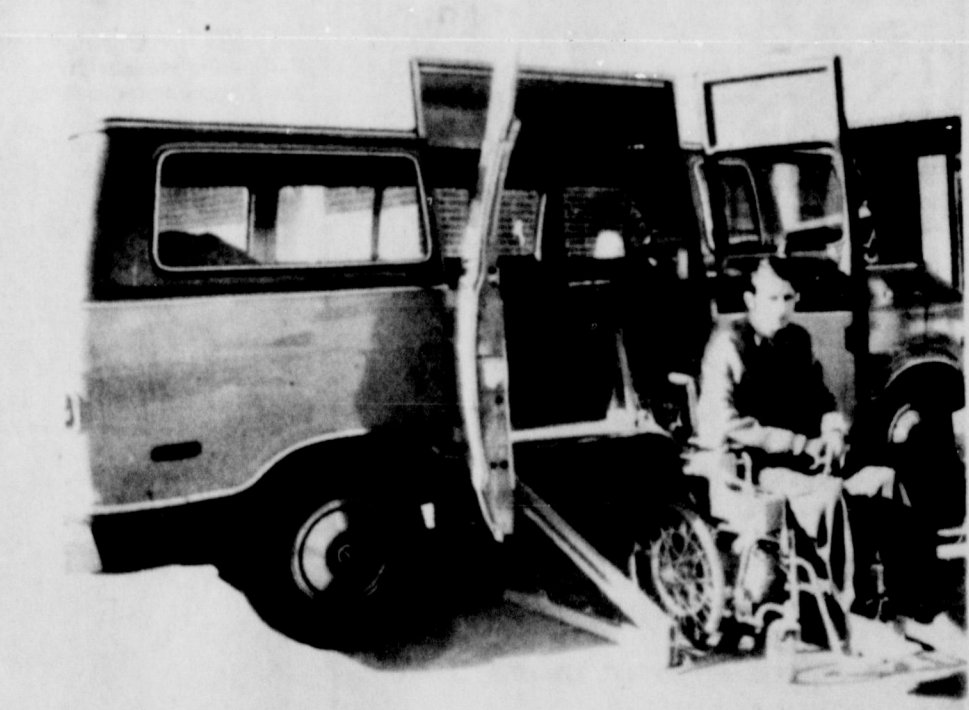
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HOLIDAY BLESSINGS

DANCE

J.W. BREWER & the AUCTIONEERS
 Saturday, Dec. 28
 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.
 Rhineland, Texas



A musical greeting to all our good friends and customers from

PENMAN CONOCO



The message of Christmas shines as brightly today as it did almost 2000 years ago... may it bring peace into each heart & joy to the world!

The Fabric Shop

Wilma Whitford Knox City, Texas



Here's an old-fashioned greeting to our many fine patrons... we hope your Yule is joyous in every way!
 Best wishes from

RIVERSIDE CHEMICAL

Bill Roberson, Manager



READY TO WELCOME HIS GUESTS, Ben is pictured near the front entry of the home. The door nearest Ben opens directly to his room, a requirement according to building code, Ben explained. Also, the large picture window allows Ben to see his friends as they approach the house.



SITTING BY THE gaily decorated Christmas tree in the living-dining room of the Smith home, Ben moves about freely on the tile floors. Soft shades of blue are complemented by the white textured walls and ceiling.



COLORS OF ORANGE AND WHITE are predominant in the color scheme in Ben's room, which is paneled in birch. Another favorite pastime of Ben's is chess, and the specially-made board is always ready for a game when one of his "chess" friends drops by.



EASILY ACCESSIBLE TO BEN FROM HIS WHEELCHAIR are the telephones as well as the light switches and outlets. Ben is shown here in the large kitchen-breakfast area.



SMITH
 From Page One

furt and were returning to duty January 8, 1969, on the German super expressway. Ben explained that it was about 4:00 o'clock that fateful morning when it happened. With no traffic at that hour and no speed limit on the expressway, Ben said the other boy was driving about 110 miles per hour and apparently dozed. The last thing Ben remembers before was rolling the window down to flip out a cigarette and then settling down for a "snooze".

According to reports, Ben was thrown from the car through the back glass and after the vehicle sliced through a guard rail, he reentered the car and hit the top.

It was then that Ben's neck was broken, damaging the fourth and fifth cervical vertebrae. Although Ben remembers nothing, his companion, who suffered only minor cuts in the accident, told him afterward that he talked to him and to some German truckers who stopped later to render aid. He was also able to identify himself by name, rank, and serial number when he was admitted to Weisbaden Hospital for surgery.

After two weeks, he was flown to Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio where he was a patient for three months and later received treatment for six months at the Veterans Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee. He remained in Memphis for another two or three months as an out-patient.

Since then, Ben has been a patient at West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene and is currently making two trips a week there.

Something else that is adding to Ben's convenience and pleasure these days is a newly-acquired Dodge Royal Sportsman van, adapted by Speedy Wagon in St. Charles, Mo., with hand controls, an extra 12" fiberglass top that allows Ben's wheelchair to move about freely, outside doors with 57" height, an electric lift with outside controls whereby Ben can wheel himself up to the van and be lifted inside where he is able to position the wheelchair in the driver's spot and then lock it in place. Other features include automatic power steering, AF-AM radio, tape deck, air conditioning, and heater.

Ben recently passed his driver's test and is now able to make the necessary trips to and from Abilene by himself as well as drive around for his pleasure when he wants to get away from the house.

His mother, Mary Beth who is school secretary, remarked that this was one of the most wonderful things that had happened at their house in a long time -- in not being able to put her finger on Ben at any specific moment since he can now go where he wants to when he wants to.

Ben's dad, Z.I. is agent here for the Santa Fe Railroad, a brother, Kelton, resides in the Brazos Valley Care Home, and he has a married sister, Mrs. Judy

Allen who is an elementary teacher in the Knox City Schools.

The new building laws now make homes more accessible for persons confined to wheelchairs, according to Ben, and with the new home and the new van, Ben is enjoying an independence that would

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Wishing you Christmas
 Thank you for your patronage

MINI MAIL

Dessie



A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

What is Santa carrying in his bag? All our best wishes for a happy holiday season, plus our thanks for your confidence in

Oliver Flying Saucer



Hope your holiday is purr-fect! At this joyous time we'd also like to say "Thank you" for your patronage this past year.

Smith Liquid
 Joe Roy and Todd

THANK YOU

Your response to our Open House was tremendous. Your kindnesses helped make it a great success, and we realize more every day how much your friends mean to us. Best wishes to all of you during the holidays and in the coming year.

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 Knox City

Gilliland News

WEE WESTBROOK

Stan Gentry of Crowell spent the weekend with Rocky Glasscock.

Mr. L.B. Baty entered the Seymour Hospital Saturday. Mrs. J.R. Brown, Mrs. E.J. Jones, Mrs. Jack W. Brown, Jacquelyn and Billy went to Wichita Falls Saturday.

Billy Brown played in the Seymour Jr. High Tournament.

Bob Brown of Crowell visited his grandmother, Mrs. J.R. Brown Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Jones and Mrs. Irene Roberson of Crowell visited Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Myers Sunday afternoon.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Owens Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Jones and Mrs. Irene Roberson of Crowell.

Mrs. W.H. Simmons visited her aunt, Mrs. Palmer, Sunday who is in the Crowell hospital, recovering from a broken arm.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Tolle-son of Stinnett visited in the Tommy Westbrook home for awhile Monday night.

Mrs. Eron Boykin of Rule visited Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Myers and Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Myers Friday.

The Gilliland Community Christmas supper sponsored by the Home Demonstration Club was held Friday night at

TREE TRIMMER'S TORTE

Christmas is just around the corner, and the excitement of this festive season is already filling the air. There are gifts to be bought, cards to be sent out, a tree to be decorated and parties to give and attend.

Why not enlist the help of friends to trim the annual evergreen? This is a perfect excuse for a Christmas party and makes the yearly task of tinsel-hanging a fun-filled occasion for all.

A Cherry Meringue Torte is a luscious treat for tree trimmers. Serve along with your favorite holiday punch or save this festive dessert to climax a gala buffet.

The cake layers for this unique Cherry Meringue Torte are made with Blue Bonnet Margarine which produces a moist, tender cake with a velvety crumb. Baked with a meringue topping, the cake is then frosted with a mixture of maraschino cherries and whipped cream. Chopped pecans add crunchiness to the top layer of this tempting holiday dessert.

Cherry Meringue Torte

Makes one 9-inch cake

- 3/4 cup unsifted flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) Blue Bonnet Margarine, softened



- 1-1/2 cups sugar
- 4 eggs, separated
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 3 tablespoons milk
- 1/4 cup chopped pecans
- 1/4 cup chopped maraschino cherries
- 1 cup heavy cream, whipped

Sift together flour, baking powder and salt; set aside.

Cream Blue Bonnet Margarine and 1/2 cup sugar until very light. Add egg yolks, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Beat in vanilla extract; set aside.

Beat egg whites until frothy. Gradually beat in remaining 1 cup sugar. Continue beating until soft peaks form; set aside.

Alternately blend sifted dry ingredients and milk into creamed margarine mixture, beginning and ending with dry ingredients. Spread into 2 greased 9-inch round cake pans. Spread meringue mixture evenly over batter to within 1/2-inch of pan edge. Sprinkle one layer with chopped pecans. Bake at 350°F. for 25 minutes, or until done. Cool in pans on wire racks. Gently loosen edges with spatula before removing from pans.

Fold cherries into whipped cream. Use to fill and frost sides of layers starting with plain meringue layer, top side up. Top with pecan layer, cake side down.

Santa Claus Letters

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. Would you please bring me a Batman doll, a fun factory, and some little people.

I hope you can visit all of the girls and boys.

Brian Rogers

Dear Santa,
I hope you stop at my house Christmas. I'd like to have a Superman doll, some hand-cuffs, some spurs, and an Evel Kinevel.

I'll try to be real nice from now until Christmas. I sure like you.

Love,
Chris Rogers

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old, and I have been a good girl. Please bring me a Baby Alive, and an inchworm. I love fruit and candy and pecans, in case you want to leave me some, it would make me happy. Please bring my cousin Jason a tractor and a truck.

I will leave you some cookies and milk again.

I love you,
Rhonda Albus

Dear Santa,
My name is Lorrie Rolston and I'm 5 years old. Please bring me a sewing machine and a easy knitting machine. I have tried to be good.

Please bring my little sister, Jennifer, a Pedal Pretty. She is only one year old and can't write. She is good most of the time.

My dog Duke wants a chew toy, too.

Most of all please let everyone have a very merry Christmas.

Thank you, and oh, yes! I will be in Odessa at my Auntie Mae's and she was a chimney at her house.

I love you,
Lorrie Jo

Dear Santa Claus,
Hi Santa. How are you find I hope. I had try to be good so I want you to bring me some toys. I would like to have a electric race track, cloths, boots, coat, train track. Santa would you bring me them. I hope you are not sick on Christmas. Because then you will not get around to peoples house to give them any presents. I guess I will see you on christmas night and your raindeers.

By I will be seing you.

Love Ricky Clark

December 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want something from you. I want a present from you. I want a basket for my bicycle, a motor for my bicycle, and a game for all the family. I guess that's all.

Yours truly,
Tanya

December 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been very good this year. I want two walkie-talkies and a B.B. gun.

Yours truly,
Eddie Ramos

December 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a tractor to play with.

Merry Christmas,
Clinton Perry

December 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I have tried to be good this year. How is Mrs. Claus doing. Are your elves working hard this year. I would like to have something. This is what I want: Screaming Deeming, and cowboy suit, smash up Derby, clothes, buckle, belt, boots train track and race track and that is all I won't this year for Christmas.

Your friend,
Michael Clark

December 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a stereo. I want a bike. I want a basket goal. Santa Clause, give me a baby doll.

Thank you,
Delores

December 11, 1974
Dear Santa,
I want that doll that you mess up her hair and fix it a gain.

thank you
Maria

December, 10 1974
Dear Sante Claus,
How are you? Do you know what I want? I want a lunch box, a Bavy a-Live, a flag, a T shirt and that is all. I will leave you some milk and cookies. Bye! Bye!

Merry Christmas
Charlette Albus

Dec. 11, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Barbie's Beauty Center, a Barbie's Town-House, and Boots. I want to thank you for all you have given me before.

Yours Always,
Jerri Grimsley

the schoolhouse. Approximately 35 people attended.

The Truscott Community Dinner was held Sunday at noon at the Community Center. Around 35 people attended. After the dinner, Christmas carols were sung and gifts exchanged.

Santa Letters

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Your friend,
Michael Clark

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Tell your elves and Mrs. Claus Hi for me.

Dear Santa, Mindy
I want a Baby Alive, play oven, and I want a snowman machine, dishes and I want some records and a new one box of Pampers and I want a bottle and I want a new box of colors and I want a new Pr. of houseshoes and I want a new shoes, birthstone ring and I want a house coat and I want a new hairbows and I want a new McDonald Plaything and I want a big will and I want a snoopy toothbrush.

Mindy

Dec. 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I have tried to be good this year. This year I would like a new football for Christmas. I like to play football and have played with mine so much it is falling apart. Well, I guess that's all I want this year.

Your friend,
David

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No Snow Fell on the Manger

by JERRY D. HENDERSON

Editor's Note: The following poem was written by Jerry D. Henderson of Lubbock several years ago. He is the Public Relations Director for the United Way of Lubbock, Inc. and a civic leader there.

West Texas Christmases are those that tend to be a little more like Luke reports than modern pageantry.

We've longed from time to time for Christmases of white.

But no snow fell on the manger that holy, silent night.

Holly berries, mistletoe, and trees of evergreen
Were not viewed by the shepherds who came upon the Scene.

And not that we would have it any other way,
Symbols and traditions complement the Holiday.

But think about the place where Jesus' birth was planned.

An arid desert climate, not a winter wonderland.

Think not of Christmases of white, but Christmases of joy.

Of stars, wisemen, and angels and celestial baby boy.

O Mary, Joseph and the inn, of gifts the people bring,
Think back upon that wondrous night and hear the angels sing.

"Peace on the earth, good will toward men," the message rings anew,
Two thousand Christmases from now its concept will be true.

Good will, good friends, good cheer, good news make up this Holy Day.

So let no covering of snow bring you and yours dismay
The happiest Christmas time of all was clear and warm and bright.

No snow fell on the manger in the holy, silent night.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dec. 11, 1974
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Yours truly,
Eddie Ramos

12/5/74
Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a bicycle, some Barbie doll clothes, a Mod-hair Ken, a Barbie doll house and a cash register. I will try to be very good until Christmas.

Love, Santa Claus,
Christi Clayton

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MERRY CHRISTMAS HAPPY NEW YEAR!

and Mrs. Arthur Crownover

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etide greetings to one
May your holidays be
ous and blessed with joy!

Vision of Knox City

Knox City, Texas

Greetings

passing year brings a deeper
of the pleasant associations
friendships acquired in the course
of life.

press our thanks and convey warm
Greetings and extend our best
wishes for Good Health, Happiness, and
prosperity to you and your loved ones.

Sheet Metal & Plumbing

Knox City

Joy to all

Hope your holidays bloom brightly with good cheer! Thank you for your patronage this past year.

Knox City Florist
The Spurgeon Neelys

Merry Christmas

As the Yuletide bells ring out their message of good cheer, we would like to extend our best wishes to all our wonderful patrons. It's been a pleasure to serve you!

We will Close at 2:00 P.m. Christmas Eve and be closed all day Christmas

KORNER KITCHEN

O HOLY NIGHT

Joy to the world, the Lord has come! May peace on earth become a reality at this holy time.

B & C Chemical Co.
John & Joyce
Knox City, Texas

First Baptist Church

KNOX CITY
Paul Anderson, pastor

The message of Christmas shines as brightly today as it did almost 2000 years ago... may it bring peace into each heart & joy to the world!



THIS UNUSUAL CHRISTMAS TREE made from a dead century plant in Mrs. Lola Belle Egenbacher's yard makes an attractive scene with white turtle doves decorating the branches. A flood light adds to its beauty at night.

Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I would like a Bicycle and some new boots and hat will you please bring them.
Merry Chirtmas bye!
Love Jerain Eaton
Santa

Dear Santa,
I would like a doll that cries and wets also a set dishes a purse, a baby Tender Love and a bicycle.
Kathy Reynolds

Dec. 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I like to play with toys. I want an electric football game and I have tried to be nice to everybody this year.
Yours truly,
Ignacio

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me a big wheel and a Snoopy dog. Also some clothes.
Thank you,
Sharon Rumley

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I want a lunchbox, sewing machine, and Barbie doll.
Love to Santa from Barbie.



Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Worley of Aurora, Colorado, are the proud parents of a baby girl born December 17 in Rose General Hospital, Denver, Colorado. She weighed seven pounds, 13 ounces.
The Worleys have another daughter, Delanie Lynn, who is three years old.
Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Ruthertford of Colorado Springs, Colorado. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Worley of Knox City.
Mrs. Worley spent a week in Colorado getting acquainted with her new granddaughter.

Happy 21st Birthday, Charlie!
From Mom & Dad

Dear Santa,
I want a Bat Cave, tape recorder, milkshake maker, icebird, dishes, stroller, Barbie camper, Barbie pool, Barbie house with elevator, baby doll swing, Barbie Health Center, Karasel Kitchen, Barbie cars and mini-bike, Barbie wedding dress and clothes, Miss America Beauty Center, kitchen appliances, Patriot Chopper, and a Barbie bathroom.
Love, Leah



TREE LEGEND
One of the many legends about the Christmas tree tells of Martin Luther wandering through the woods on Christmas Eve and marveling at the stars shining through the branches of the fir trees. Inspired by the sight, he cut a fir tree for his family, set it up, and lighted it with candles to represent the stars.

A Norse legend tells how an arrow of mistletoe was used to kill the young god Baldur, who was protected against all injuries that came from the four elements. Mistletoe, which does not spring directly from air, fire, water or earth had the power to destroy him. However, the gods restored Baldur to life and his mother, Freyja, who was goddess of love and beauty, decreed that mistletoe should be a symbol of peace and that whoever passed beneath it would receive her kiss.

BAPTISTS

From Page One
will stir the heart and mind. Having seen "THE RESTLESS ONES," you will never be the same.
As one reviewer said, "Here is a picture that tells the world the truth and comes up with an answer, not an easy answer, but an answer from beyond us." This answer will satisfy, challenge and inspire young and old alike and will appeal to churchgoers and non-churchgoers. The Christian message comes through in the midst of a realistic teen-age situation, cleanly and without cloying. Swift-moving plot episodes highlight the opportunities facing the church.

Screen writer James Collier has skillfully brought into focus the contemporary plight of both teen-agers and parents. A sensitive script, produced by World Wide Pictures under the direction of Dick Ross, has resulted in a "break-through" in "THE RESTLESS ONES."



Happy Birthday, Arche!
From Jen



FROSTY AND THE CHILDREN are life-size and catch the eye visit the Cartwright display during the holidays. The display will see through New Year's Day.



A FAVORITE OF ALL THE CHILDREN is the display of Charlie Brown. These characters are superimposed with the use of an opaque pro on paper, transferred to masonite, and then cut out, outlined and detail has been done on the cartoon characters.

THE NEW YEAR WILL BRING NEW MEDICINES

80% of the prescriptions we now dispense contain ingredients unknown less than ten years ago. We still use a few of the old reliables, but most of them are being rapidly replaced by better new products.

Like your physician, we study to keep informed about new discoveries. We learn their dosage, physical qualities, proper storage and incompatibilities. That is why we can fill any prescription, including those prescribed by physicians in distant cities.

"A GREAT MANY PEOPLE ENTRUST US with their prescriptions, health needs, and other pharmacy products. We consider this trust a privilege and a duty. May we be your personal family pharmacy?"

H-M JONES PHARMACY INC.
PHONE 658-3215 KNOX CITY, TEXAS

LAST SIX DAYS OF THIS SALE GOING OUT OF BUSINESS

\$90,000 ORDERED SOLD BARE WALLS

WHEATLEY'S 414 N. FIRST—HASKELL

Nothing Held Back! All Goes! Entire Remaining Men's-Women's-Children's Stock Consisting of the Following

THIS SALE STARTS TUES. 8:30 a.m. AND LASTS FOR 6 DAYS ONLY! HURRY!

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off Original Prices

THIS SALE STARTS TUES. 8:30 a.m. AND LASTS FOR 6 DAYS ONLY! HURRY!

UNDERWEAR

Never Again Will You Buy So Cheap

COME AND GET IT AS DEALERS ARE WAITING TO BUY BALANCE TO MOVE OUT OF TOWN! LAST CALL! LAST CHANCE! HURRY! MASTER CHARGE GOOD EVEN AT SALE PRICES

WHEATLEY'S-414 N. FIRST-HASKELL



"And his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." Let us rejoice!

Knox County News

Mr. & Mrs. Buddy Angle & Stacy
Jo Nell Cornett
Glenna Benson
Bea Benedict
Mary Richards
Virginia Griffin

Claus Letters

Benjamin, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 My name is Rodney Smith. I am four years old. I have two little brothers, Bradley is 18 months and Pike is five days old.
 I would like to have a bike with training wheels, a scope gun, and Bradley wants a big wheel and truck and we both want a Weebles West. Pike said he didn't care what he got.
 I hope you have a merry Christmas.
 Love,
 Rodney
 Bradley
 and Pike



Letters To Santa Claus

Dec. 10, 1974
 Dear Santa Claus,
 I want a watch, and Evil Kneivel set. Thats all I want for Christmas Sant claus have a happy new year. Good Buy.
 Mary Chrismas
 Edward



A cheery hello to all our many friends, with warmest wishes for a very happy Christmas season!

White Auto Store

Tommy Kent

Dear Santa,
 I love you. Santa claus I like to has a bike. I like to has a motorcycle, Santa I like you. So you are nice Santa.
 Merry Chrismas,
 Fernando

Dear Santa,
 We are two little boys ages 2 & 3. We have been really good boys all year, so would you please bring us these things: a train, 2 sets of magnetic ABC's and a black and white panda bear to replace the one that we lost. Thanks very much.
 Dennis and Three Vasquez

MERRY Christmas

We hope this holiday season will be a truly prosperous one for all our friends—but most of all, we wish you good health and good cheer!

Edith's

Glen and Edith Dake

Glory to God in the highest

ST. LUKE 2:14

AND THE ANGEL SAID UNTO THEM FEAR NOT: FOR, BEHOLD I BRING YOU GOOD TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY, WHICH SHALL BE TO ALL PEOPLE. FOR UNTO YOU IS BORN THIS DAY IN THE CITY OF DAVID, A SAVIOR WHICH IS CHRIST THE LORD.

Luke II, 10 and 11

ONE SOLITARY LIFE

HERE is a young man who was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. He grew up in another village. He worked in a carpenter shop until He was thirty, and then for three years He was an itinerant preacher. He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never owned a home. He never had a family. He never went to a college. He never put His foot inside a big city. He never traveled two hundred miles from the place He was born. He never did one of the things that usually accompany greatness. He had no credentials but Himself.

WHILE He was still a young man, the tide of public opinion turned against Him. His friends ran away. He was turned over to His enemies. He went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a cross, between two thieves. While He was dying, His executioners gambled for the only piece of property He had on earth, and that was His coat. When He was dead, He was laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend. Nineteen centuries wide have come and gone, and today He is the central figure of the human race, and the leader of the column of progress.

I AM far within the mark when I say that all the armies that ever marched, and all the navies that ever sailed, and all the parliaments that ever sat, and all the kings that ever reigned, put together, have not affected the life of man upon this earth as has that

Anon.

The Grace Gift Center

Munday, Texas

WINTER CHEER



Reason to be merry and to express your wishes that this Christmas be the best for you!

WINTER MOTEL
 Mr. and Mrs. George Davis

Greetings

It's such a pleasure to say "Thank you" to our many friends and customers at Christmas.
 Happy holidays!



WINTER'S CAFE
 Benjamin

Santa Claus Letters

Dec. 11, 1974
 Dear Santa Claus,
 Hi! I have been a good girl. I want a Barbie house, some Barbies, some clothes for the Barbies, a boy and girl Raggedy Ann and Andy doll, some clothes and a three speed bicycle. I will make a pie for you and leave it on the table.
 Yours truly,
 Michelle Bateman

Dec. 11, 1974
 Dear Santa Claus,
 I want a Baby Alive and some skates. I would like a real baton, a pant suit, a pair of boots, a Barbies friendship, and a bike.
 Yours truly,
 Betty

Dear Santa Claus,
 I have been a good boy this year. I want a lot of toys a B-B gun walkie-talkies, watch air craft carrier B-D-S air plane Snoopy Toothbrush Ragady Andy Alarm Clock, I want a fire truck, a trane set and a western set.
 Dean Anderson

Box 531
 Knox City, Tex.
 Dear Santa,
 Please bring me a Baby Alive, Play-School Grocery Cart.
 Also I'll be proud when you stop hanging around the Mini Mall, it's hard being nice while you are there.
 Love,
 Shea

December 10, 1974
 Dear Santa Claus,
 I want to thank you for your present you gave me last year. This year I want a football. That is all I want this year.
 Your truly,
 Teddy Espinosa

Dear Sant Claus,
 I want only three things. Please bring me a bike speedometer and seat and a stocking full.
 Yours truly,
 Tim

Dec. 10, 1974
 Dear Santy Claus,
 Pleas bring me an electric football game to play with. My friends at my house and borther too.
 Mery Chrismas
 Roy

"...they presented unto Him gifts." Matt. 2:11

With the flame of Faith, the privilege of prayer, with the word of God

The Blessing of Christian Fellowship

May the Peace and Joy of Christmas be with you today and through the New Year.

Love to all.

Greg and Ruby Kelly

MERRY CHRISTMAS

It's a pleasure to greet our many patrons and wish them the very best!

Brazos Valley Gin

Edoie Shaver, Manager
 Knox City, Texas

O'Brien Happenings

CHARLENE BROTHERS

Here it is two days before Christmas and I am not through shopping -- probably will finish just before the stores close Christmas Eve. For some reason I can not get in the Christmas spirit this year. You know when all your children get grown and gone, I still have two at home but they are nearly grown, there is not anyone around to set the right spirit for Christmas it seems.

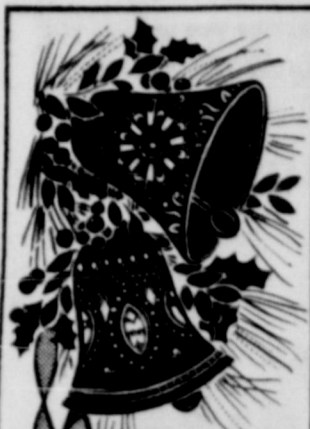
Billie, as for about ten lines, maybe I can get that

much done this morning. Everything seems to be going wrong this early in the day, about 7:30 a.m. So I hate to think of the rest of the day.

The O'Brien high school boys and girls were entered in the Knox City basketball tournament during the week-end. The girls lost out to Knox City for third place. They had played Goree and Knox City JV teams before Knox City beat them for 3rd. The boys beat Goree, then won over Olney by one point to go into the finals where they were beaten by Knox City and O'Brien ended up with second place. Both teams played Paint Creek Friday night and both won.

The boys and girls will both be entered in the Hawley tournament Dec. 26, 27, and 28. I have not decided how this is going to work out, being during the holidays and some of the boys are working at the gin to help out after the Border Patrol picked up all the Mexican nationals that were working at the gin. There may be a problem!

Everyone have a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Let us all remember that Christmas is representing the birth of Jesus Christ, and act accordingly. Seems too many people think this is a time for seeing how much they can drink from the bottle. If you take a trip during this time, be sure to watch the driver behind the one in front of you.



NOEL
Wishing you & yours a very happy Yuletide season!

The Dick Richards Family

Who Would Pay Your Salary
if you were
HURT OR SICK?
Our Company Will
if you can qualify
Wallace Moorhouse Insurance
"Your Protection our Profession"
Phone 422-4341 Munday, Texas



May your fondest wish come true this Christmas! Greetings from
Jean's
Vic and Jean Thomas and Karae

Joy to The World
When we hear the beloved carols sung, our hearts are filled with hope—hope that peace & joy will fill the earth.
Lynn Electric Motor Co.
Knox City, Texas

Methodists Celebrate Christmas

Beginning with the lighting of the first candle on the Advent wreath on the first Sunday in December, Knox City Methodists have been preparing for Christmas. Some of the events have been traditional while others were held for the first time this year.

The last full week before Christmas began with the presentation of Christmas music by the church choir at the morning service. The anthems and special music were incorporated into the regular worship service.

On Sunday afternoon, all members and friends of the church were invited to a Christmas Open House at the parsonage. Many persons in the congregation have visited in the parsonage over the years but had never really seen the entire house. Others had not been inside the house since the new carpet was laid. This event enabled them to visit and view the house at the same time.

The serving table was laid with a white Christmas tablecloth with red trees and poinsettias. The table was centered with a red bowl of Christmas balls flanked by red candlesticks. Refreshments of hot spiced punch, coffee, and several kinds of Christmas cookies, candies, and nut breads were served.

Wednesday evening the church Christmas party was held in the church Fellowship Hall. The room was decorated with a large Christmas tree, candles, and a lighted manger scene. Christmas cookies and punch were served by hostesses Mrs. Ruby Robinson and Mrs. Emma Watkins.

The evening's program featured the singing of a new version of "The Twelve Days of Christmas" led by John McGaughey accompanied on the piano by Lori Richards. The Rev. Dick Richards, pastor, read a Christmas story, "What if Jesus Were Born Today". Arche Lieb, the new church lay leader, presented a devotional on "The Real Meaning of Christmas." Following the program, Christmas bags of fruit, candy, and small toys were presented to the children of the church.

The last Sunday before Christmas the church members observed what has become a tradition in Knox City's First United Methodist Church. Throughout Texas and New Mexico, Methodists join together to take special offerings to support the Methodist the Methodist Home in Waco which has been called the "Heart of Methodism."

For a number of years in Knox City a large birthday cake was used in the celebration. However, last year the cake was replaced by a circle of white candles in crystal holders labeled with the names of the months of the year and placed on a table spread with a white cloth before the church's altar. The circle is centered with a tall white taper. As the minister calls the months, those persons whose birthdays fall in that month come forward to present their gifts to the Home and light the candle for that month.

Study Club Has Christmas Party

Members of the Knox City Study Club entertained their husbands with a covered dish dinner on December 19 in the Community Center.

After the meal, games were played, directed by Mr. and Mrs. Z.I. Smith.

Music was provided by Mrs. Evelyn Warren and Mrs. Charlotte Griffith.

Gifts were exchanged and a box filled to send to Abilene State School.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J.C. McGee, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Cash, Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Fitzgerald, Mr. and Mrs. L.W. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Kay, Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Hoge, Mr. and Mrs. L.E. Groves, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Roy Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Hob Smith, Mrs. George Davis, Mrs. Myrtle White, Mrs. Charlotte Griffith, Mrs. Evelyn Warren, the Rev. Dick Richards and the Rev. Paul Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Z.I. Smith.

Some 600 children are residents of the Methodist Home which began as an orphanage. Today most of the children have at least one living parent but because of illness, domestic problems, or whatever reason that a child must be separated from his family, they come to live in the home for varying lengths of time -- sometimes less than a year, sometimes until they reach adulthood. The Home relies upon the Christmas offerings, endowments, and memorials for the support of its children.

As a final observance of the Christmas season, the church will observe Holy Communion at midnight Tuesday, December 31. Christians of any faith are invited to the service which will begin at 11:30 on New Year's Eve.

HOLIDAY CHEER!
Hope your Yuletide season is filled with joy!
Clifford & Jo Nell Cornett

GLAD TIDINGS
As the Wise Men looked to the Star of Bethlehem, so let us follow its holy light.
First United Methodist Church

Season's Greetings
As nature sparkles in her new white raiment, we think of those who have been good friends.
SKILES EX ON STA.
Knox City, Texas

Christmas JOY
Santa's bringing you our warmest wishes for a merry Christmas holiday, filled with good cheer. We thank you for your past patronage.
Knox Builders Supply
The Tommy Richardsons
The Derrell Marions

Letters To Santa Claus

Box 1114
Seymour, Tex.

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 3 1/2 years old and I live in Seymour, Texas. I would like for you to bring me most of all, some chaps and a horse trailer and pick-up just like Randy's. Then, if you can, bring me a football helmet and a Bugs Bunny toothbrush. I would like anything else you can bring me. I will be at my Me-Ma's house and don't forget Tony and Alan and all the other boys and girls.

Love,
Marty Bufkin
P.S. Don't forget my Do-Do, either. She's been a pretty good girl, too.

Dear Santa,
I want a road grader. I want a bike with training wheels so I can have a big bike. I want a big fire truck that goes to a little one. I guess I'll take a radio for the bike also a big headlight. I want just any kind of train. I believe that I will take a walkie-talkie.

Michael Glaze

December 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good this year. I want a football and football suit.

Yours Truly,
Terry Bateman

Dec. 11, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Knit Magic to sew hats and make clothes for my doll and a doll that walks and talks.

Merry Christmas
Your friend,
Ned

Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle, a car, a house, a tape recorder, and a slide.

John Eaton

Dear Santa,
I want a record player. My Mama wants a dress. I want a coat, a slide, a new table, new chairs, a wagon.

Donnie Byrd

Dear Santa,
I try to be good. Sometimes it's hard. Bring me a crash-up derby set, a G.I. Joe thing, a ball rig.

Richard Stout

Dear Santa,
A doll, ball, clothes, shoes, food, a bed.

Christina Agraz

Dec. 11, 1974

Dear Santa Claus,
Hi! Please bring me a Sun Shine Family. Please bring me a S-speed bike, a basket, to go with it, Please bring me some real make-up, and some real high heel shoes.

Yours truly
Rebecca

December 11, 1974

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a few things such as a table top organ, roller skates, a watch, knit magic, a coat that I can ride in, and a polished rock necklace.

Merry Christmas,
Kristi Boone

Dear Santa,
Please bring me these things for Christmas

1. bike
2. make up kit
3. sweet sounds tender love
4. baker set

Love,
Rhonda

Dear Santa,
I want a G.I. Joe, Cowboys and Indians, a thing that traps animals, a play house.

Shane Lewis

Dec. 11, 1974

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Pellet gun and some candy for Christmas day. I hope that we have a good time.

Yours truly,
Alex E.

Silent Night
We extend our warmest wishes for the Christmas Season coming year. May He fill your hearts.
Ulric and Lea

At this Yuletide season, we extend to you our thanks for your past patronage and very best wishes.
Lewis Paint & Body
KNOX CITY, TEXAS

TO A
FROM YOUR COUNTY OFFICE
Sam E. Clonts
County Judge
Zena Waldron
County Clerk
J.T. Cypert
County Treasurer
John A. Smith
Tax Assessor-Comptroller
H.C. Stone
County Sheriff
Bobby D. ...
County Attorney
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Lee Patterson
J.V. Carver
R.C. Daniel
Bobby Rob...

Santa Claus

We will give you some cookies and milk.

We Love you, Santa
Tony and Kristie Egenbacher
Lubbock, Texas

Dear Santa,
I want an electric football set and a mini-bike, and a walkie-talkie, a G.I. Joe.
John Paul Browning

Dear Santa,
My name is Phyllis Bolton. And this is what I want for Christmas: a baby live with clothes with her. And a basketball and radio. Thank you Santa Claus for making Christmas so merry.
Love,
Phyllis



THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

- The first day of Christmas my true love sent to me
A partridge in a pear tree.
- The second day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Two turtle doves
And a partridge in a pear tree.
- The third day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Three French Hens
Two turtle doves
And a partridge in a pear tree.
- The fourth day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Four Colly birds . . .
- The fifth day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Five gold rings . . .
- The sixth day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Six geese a-laying . . .
- The seventh day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Seven swans a-swimming . . .
- The eighth day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Eight maids a-milking . . .
- The ninth day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Nine drummers drumming . . .
- The tenth day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Ten pipers piping . . .
- The eleventh day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Eleven ladies dancing . . .
- The twelfth day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Twelve lords a-leaping,
Eleven ladies dancing,
Ten pipers piping,
Nine drummers drumming,
Eight maids a-milking,
Seven swans a-swimming,
Six geese a-laying,
Five gold rings,
Four Colly birds,
Three French Hens,
Two turtle doves,
And a partridge in a pear tree.

Santa Letters

- Dear Santa,
I would like for you to bring me a Barbie head, Ken, some new Barbie clothes, a table and chairs, Barbie's Friendship, Snoopy toothbrush, a baby doll, play tunnel, and an electric blanket.
My brother, Larry, would like a ten speed bicycle.
We have tried to be good.
Love,
Laurie Webb

- Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie head with make-up. I want a play vacuum cleaner. A airplane that goes with a Barbie.
Laurie Webb

- Dear Santa,
I love him. I love his toys. I love Christmas and when ever he comes I will open my presents. He loves me and I love him. Bring me a little Baby Tender Love. I want a new baby spoon for my Baby Tender Love.
Kristin Carder

- Dear Santa,
Bring me a doctor kit, a dollie, a dress, pants, a Christmas tree, a sweater, a bicycle.
Lori Rasco

- Dear Santa,
I want a doll, a play chair, and some dishes.
Stacie Eddington

- Dear Santa,
I'm not old enough to write you a letter, so I'm telling my Mommie what to write for my sister and I. Will you please bring my sister a tricycle and baby doll and also please bring me a bike and baby doll. But most of all, please stop by our Pa Pa and Me Ma Feemsters house and wish them a

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Water and Supply
Knox City

HAPPY YULETIDE!
OUR HOLIDAYS HIT A HAPPY NOTE!
Q. Warren

Letters To Santa Claus

- Dec. 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a "Karasel" kitchen.
Yours truly,
Sarah

- Dec. 11, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a beach bus, a bike that is a 5-speed, a Sun Shine family, with the house and the garden equipment, and the furniture.
Signed,
Davine

- Dec. 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good this year. I want three things. I want a pair of football shoes, a football and a bike.
Merry Christmas
Ricky
- Dear Santa,
I want a little cook stove, G.I. Joe, I want a bike. I want a car, gun set. I want some cowboy clothes. I want a play Santa Clause, a wheelbarrow.
Mike Reece

- Dear Santa,
Bring me that doll that shows on TV with a dog and its called Patches McGee.
Shane Tankersley

- Knox City, Texas
Dear Dear Santa
How are you this year? fine I hope. Thank you, for what you brought last year. I were a baby then but I am 4 years old now, and I sure would like to have a BB gun. "Bachine Gun." and whatever you can please don't for get my older brother and sister. My brother name Stevie and my Sister name Nedria. he is 8 and she is 9.
My name is Anthony Carl Oudems.
Thank you Dear Santa

NOEL

The Wise Men brought Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh—let us give Him our hearts at Christmas!

Lowrey's

Season's Greetings

The wondrous Holiday Season is here, time to wish all people on earth happiness and joy. We join in to wish a Merry Christmas to all.

Smith Funeral Home
Rochester & Knox City

- Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie with a Camper, a Barbie with an airplane, a man with a Barbie, and a Barbie with a swing.
Debbie Barrios

- Dear Santa,
Bring me a road grader, a little Santa Claus, a bird in a cage, fish pond with fish in it, two little snow men, a machine projector, some puzzles.
Bruce Skiles

- Dear Santa,
I want a baby that goes "Wah Uh." Sunshine World, some clothes for the baby, a doctor kit.
Alesha Peterson

- Dear Santa,
Bring me a pellet gun, walkie talkie, and a five speed.
David Gonzalez

- Dear Santa,
I want one of the Evel Knievel. I want a bell. I want some reindeer, a Santa Claus, Rudolph. I want a pellet gun.
Robbie Large

- Dear Santa,
I want a little rag doll. I want a couch and chair that blow up.
Elaina Morgan

Rick Hacker Pledges at NTSU

DENTON -- Richard Lee Hacker of Knox City is among the 122 fall semester pledges of the 16 national fraternities at North Texas State University.

Hacker, a pledge of Kappa Alpha Order fraternity, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Chris L. Hacker of Knox City.

CORRECTION

In the story appearing in last week's News about the Christmas party honoring employees of Bob's Super Save and Wes Tex Coupon Clearing House, the list submitted of those attending was partly in error, and should have read Mr. and Mrs. Victor Vasquez and Mr. and Mrs. Frank McAuley Jr.

IN WHITTEN HOME

Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bits Whitten and family were her brother and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Don Mobley and Hillarie of Green River, Wyoming, and her mother, Mrs. Chester Mobley of Seymour.

RETURNS HOME

Mrs. Noba Oliver returned home Friday of last week after spending three weeks in Littlefield with her daughters and their families, Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Sibley and Mr. and Mrs. D.R. Banner.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Dec. 26-28: H.S. girls in Slaton Tourney; H.S. boys in Hardin-Simmons Tourney
Dec. 30: Slaton Tourney
Jan. 2, 1975: Classes Resume 8:25 a.m.; Beta Club
Jan. 2-4: Jayton Tournament, High School boys and girls



MAKING A VISIT TO SANTA'S MAILBOX in front of the News office was this group of happy youngsters from kindergarten accompanied by Mrs. Margie Clonts, teacher, and Mrs. Birdie Helton, aide. Those mailing letters included Shane Tankersley, Mike Reece, Michael Glaze, John Eaton, Junior Ledesma, Elaine Morgan, Robbie Large, David Gonzales, Alesha Peterson, Bruce Skiles, Debbie Barrios, Stacie Eddington, Lori Rosco, Kristin Corder, Laurie Webb, Donnie Byrd, Richard Stout, Shane Lewis, Sheila Ellis, Christina Agraz, and John Paul Browning.

I Wish I Had Been There, Don't You?

(Editor's Note: Former Knox City resident, Cleo Hatcher, of Chico wrote the following poem and gave a copy of it to her friend, Emma Watkins. The Hatchers lived here in the middle sixties and she was employed by the Knox County Hospital.

I WISH I HAD BEEN THERE . . . DON'T YOU?

In the little town of Bethlehem Our blessed Redeemer was born one night, Oh, what a wonderful, glorious event. There never had been such a sight!! Shepherds rushed to the manger, And found the babe, fresh as the dew. Never such love found in one little bundle. I wish I had been there, don't you??

As Jesus grew into his childhood, God guided Mary and Joseph along. We know, because the Bible tells us That Jesus grew and waxed strong. He must have learned many things His mother taught him to do. And the day he taught in the temple, I wish I had been there, don't you??

There's a space in our Saviour's life, We don't know much about today. Such as the friends he had in his youth, Or the games that he liked to play. But I'm sure that he was upright. In everything that he would do. At work or at play, at home or away, I wish I had been there, don't you??

One day Jesus went down to the river, Old river Jordan, where John was that day.

To be baptized by John the Baptist. At first John the Baptist said, "Nay." But Jesus said, "Suffer it to be so." So John baptized Him, it's true. And when God said, "This is my beloved Son," I wish I had been there, don't you??

Then Jesus went into the wilderness. He fasted for forty days, we're told. Then the tempter, Old Satan, came to him. Oh, he was so cunning and bold!! But Jesus said, "Get thee thence, Satan." He would never serve no masters two. Then angels came and ministered to Him, I wish I had been there, don't you??



MERRY CHRISTMAS
May your home be blessed with joy and your hearts overflow with happiness this Christmas Day.
To all my friends
Mrs. Cordelia Woodward



YULETIDE CHEER
'Tis the season to be merry and to express our sincerest wishes that this Christmas be a joyous one for you!

John Egenbacher Impl.

Words can't seem to express The things the Master had to say. When he taught the multitudes On the mountainside that day. Seems that I can hear him saying now, "You are the light of the world, too." As if he were talking to Christians today. I wish I had been there, don't you??

Then when Jairus sought the Master And fell at Jesus' feet that day. His little girl was oh, so sick. And Jesus heard him say, "Come and lay your hand on her. I know you can heal her too." As the crowd followed along towards Jairus' home, I wish I had been there, don't you??

Then Jesus turned around in the crowd. Something wonderful had happened, we're told. Someone had just touched the hem of His garment. And someone had just been made whole. As Jesus went on to the little girl's house, The crowd couldn't go, that just wouldn't do. And when Jesus said, "The damsel's not dead." I wish I had been there, don't you??

Then in the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus knelt on his knees to pray. He must have felt lonely, and oh, so forlorn. Though the disciples were only a stone's throw away. I'm so glad an angel appeared unto Him, Without that strengthening, what would He do? When sweat though as great drops of blood fell to the ground. I wish I had been there, don't you??

Then took they Him to the high priest, Where they falsely accused Him that day. He was scourged. He was mocked and spit on. Oh! What a price for our sins He did pay. As He hung on the cross in such agony, He truly was "King of the Jews." When Jesus said, "Father, forgive them." I wish I had been there, don't you??

His body was laid in a borrowed tomb, Hearts were sad on that dismal day. They commanded the sepulchre be made sure, Least the disciples come and steal him away. But the grave couldn't hold Jesus our Lord. He was victor over sin and the grave, it's true. When the angel said, "He is not here, but is risen." I wish I had been there, don't you??

This story is to be told to the young and old, Here at home, and far over the sea. How God sent His Son to suffer and die For a world of lost sinners like me. God wants us to be ready and willing.

ADDRESS OF MRS. BROWNING
One of our readers reported Mrs. Myrtle Browning of 502 South Mission Road, Wichita, Kansas 67207 might enjoy hearing from some of her former students and friends. She especially enjoyed the picture of the 1948 football champions in the December 19 issue.

To tell this wonderful old story, ever new, To all that we meet as we journey toward home, And I want to tell it, don't you???



Merry Christmas
A stocking-full of good wishes to our friends!
Bea & Grady Benedich



Close at 8:00 p.m. - Closed all day - Dec. 26

THE COTTAGE

Munday Sheila Kimmel



Here's an old-fashioned greeting to our many patrons . . . we hope Yule is joyous in every home.
Farmers Grain
Charlie Groves, Mgr. Knox City, Texas

Greetings
DECEMBER 25
It's nice to have so many friends! Here's hoping you have the merriest of holidays and gifts galore!
Mrs. Howard Word

O Come, All Ye Faithful
Come, let us adore the newborn King! May the joy of Christmas dwell in every heart!
City Hardware
The Lawsons

Merry Christmas!
Here's an old-fashioned greeting from all of us to all our friends!
Owens Auto Supply
Knox City, Texas

Season's Greetings
May your Christmas be as gay and sparkling as the ornaments that brighten your tree! We thank you for your past patronage.
Ward's Hocus-Pocus

Noel
We pray for the blessings of the Infant Jesus upon you and your loved ones at Christmas.
Foursquare Church
Rev. Shifflett, pastor

Letters To Santa

1974
Dear Santa,
I want a baton, a baby doll, a Barbie's beach bus, and some Barbie clothes for Christmas.
I hope you have enough toys for everyone this year. I think I've been pretty good since your last visit.
Tammy Rogers

Santa Claus
I would like for Christmas a stove and play house, a doll that talk and wets and drinks, and clothes to wear.
Sign,
Katie Hernandez
Knox City, Tex.

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade and I am six years old. I have five brothers at home. I want a doll, stove, refrigerator, and a sink to wash dishes in. Don't forget my brothers, bring them some toys, too.
I love you,
Melissa Lerma

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good this year. I would like for Christmas a Big Wheel G.I. Joe, Dallas Cowboys suit.
Love,
Ray

Dear Santa
I would like a Dallas Cowboys football sit and a Big Wheel and an Kung-fu Grip and an Birde Bird air.
Adam Garcia

Dear Santa
I am 6 year old. my name Rudy Junior L. Agraz. Could you bring me toys? Yes, I know you can. So please get me a Longranger set and a Riffle and Super She racers set and boxing cluvs and football suit and TV Temmies and track shoe's and that is all Santa remmber my name is Rudy Junior L. Agraz you now I saw you on TV when you was born. I wish I see it again I like it. Will I have to say good, by, and good luck.
To Santa
from Rudy Junior L. Agraz

Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old My's Eloise I. Agraz. Could you bring me toys yes you can. I now you can. So could you bring a baby doll with bed and play dishes and a bike with two wheels in the back tire and a puppy dog a play one and barbies tower and ges that's all, have Good luck.
To Santa
from Eloise L. Agraz

December 11, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a TTP stunt set, a model airplane to put together, building blocks, puppets, a train set, a racing track, sockers bopers, a B.B gun with a scope on it.
Yours truly,
Greg Skiles

Dec. 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a gun for my brother and me, I want a coloring book and a bicycle and a drum.
Yours truly,
George

Dec. 11, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Barbie Boat and a barbie doll. I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Yours truly,
Nancy

Dec. 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good all year. Please bring me this: a Kathey Quick Curl, clothes to fit her, a dipper bag set, with pampers, a Raggedy Ann clock, Raggedy Ann radio, a easy bake with pans and
When you bring us these

dishes, real skates, red and blue real plastic pom-poms and a sewing machine.
Merry Christmas and a happy New Year
Shonda Day Peterson

Dec. 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a swimming pool, a bike, a Barbie, a Barbie Friendship, Barbie beach bus, a Barbie camper, a doll house, kitchen set, and dishes.
Your friend,
Cindy

Dec. 11, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a BB gun, and a go cart and a knife.
Your friend,
Craig

Dec. 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a basketball and gole, and I want some clothes and shoes and a coat. I am good I am going to fix you a sandwich. I got two sister and one brother we are good.
Your truly,
Dave Hunter Jr.

Dec. 11, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Baby Alive, plastic pom-poms (red and blue) and Easy Bake, (so that I can learn how to cook) clothes to fit Baby Alive, basket ball, basket ball goal, and record player.
Yours truly,
Becky Bolton

Dec. 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been Good this year. I hope you know that. I only want three things. I want a BB Gun and two sets of matchbox cars. Good Bye!
Yours truly,
Chad Louis Whitley

P.O. Box 681
Knox City, Texas
Dec. 10, 1974
Dear Santa,
My name is Glenda and I have a twin sister and two brothers and we would like very much to have some shoes and clothes. You see we been wearing these old tennis for so long that they all most gone. Please help us if you want help we would do the same for you.
When you bring us these

thing put us four stick of candy. The Lord will help you.
Your friend,
Glenda F. Hunter

P.O. Box 681
Knox City, Texas
Dec. 10, 1974

Dear Santa,
My name is Linda. I've been a good girl and I have a twin sister her name is Glenda and two brother and we would like for you to bring us some shoes and clothes. My mother went and gotten the food so if you can bring us just some shoes and clothes. The Lord will help you bring these thing if you ask him because he tired of us wearing these tennies.
Your friend,
Linda K. Hunter

Paula DeAnn Chambers
Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie Town House, and a Mod Hair Ken and a Nurse Kit. Kimberly wants a Musical Busy Box and a doll and a Lassie.

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl this year.
I want a pair of roller skates and some clothes.
Please bring my brother Steve and my sister Sharon some thing too.
Bring me a little sewing machine too.
Shelly Rumley

Dear Santa,
I think I have been a good boy. I would like for you to bring me Super Hero's, Batman, Superman and Robin, also a Big Wheel and a toy tool holster.
Dusty is with me.
Love,
David Bradley

Dear Santa,
I want a Jr. Pool Table and a pair of good gloves.
Santa I have been a good boy.
Signed,
Terry Lowrey

Dec. 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a BB gun, two walkie talkies and a SSP racer with a track.
Yours truly,
Dennis

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good boy this year and would like some stuff for Christmas. Here is what I want: Crash up Derby, and some cloths, boots, a western belt, a cowboy suit, and some cowboy and Indians. And also some games.
Merry Christmas
Donnie Clark

Dear Santa,
I want some SSPs Basketball and Goal and a football and a bicycle seat
Thank you Santa
Michael Rauch

Dec. 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike, and lots more toys. I hope are feeling better. I want a basketball.
Love,
Rita Romos

Dec. 11, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
Would you please bring me some walkie-talkies, a tape recorder, and that is all? Thank you very much.
Yours truly,
Dell Guinn

Dec. 11, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a Air Hockey, a 22 long rifle, and a Evil Knevil Stunt Cycle. I have tried to be nice to every-boc.
Your friend,
Tyke

Dec. 11, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll, I want a basketball, and I litter t.v. and I guess it is all.
I love you,
Sandra

Dec. 11, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been very good. I want some knee boots and one doll that plays golf and tennis and volleyball.
Merry Christmas,
Leann


Dec. 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a real ring and an Operation game and I want a Barbie doll.
Love,
Angie Quintana

Dec. 11, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a twenty gauge and a big Jhon Deer tractor.
Love,
Craig Watson

Dec. 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a real baton, a Microscope and a long haired wig for Christmas. I have been good all year long. Maybe I have been bad once or twice but besides that I have been very good. How have you been doing? I sure hope you don't lose any of your toys and things on your way to California. I want a sunshine family and house. Have a very Merry Christmas!
Yours truly,
Karae

Dec. 11, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been very good this year. I want a basketball, a net, and a walkie-talkie.
Yours truly,
James Earl

Dec. 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been very good this year. I want a pair of Walkie-Talkies, a Sweet 16, a calculator, a pair of Pom-Poms, and some clothes. I want to thank you for the presents from last year. Oh, I want you to bring something very good to my nephew.
Yours truly,
Diane Helms



Hi!

Just want to say that you're wished the best of holiday seasons! Thank you for your patronage in the past.

Thomas Shoe Shop

Walter & Mary



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Merry Christmas

AND



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FROM ALL OF US
TO ALL OF YOU

Mr. & Mrs. Cliff Swain & Family
Mr. & Mrs. Leon Watson & Family
Mr. & Mrs. Don Railsback & Family
Mr. & Mrs. Chester Watson
Mr. & Mrs. Billy Leach & Family
Mr. & Mrs. W. C. Orr & Family

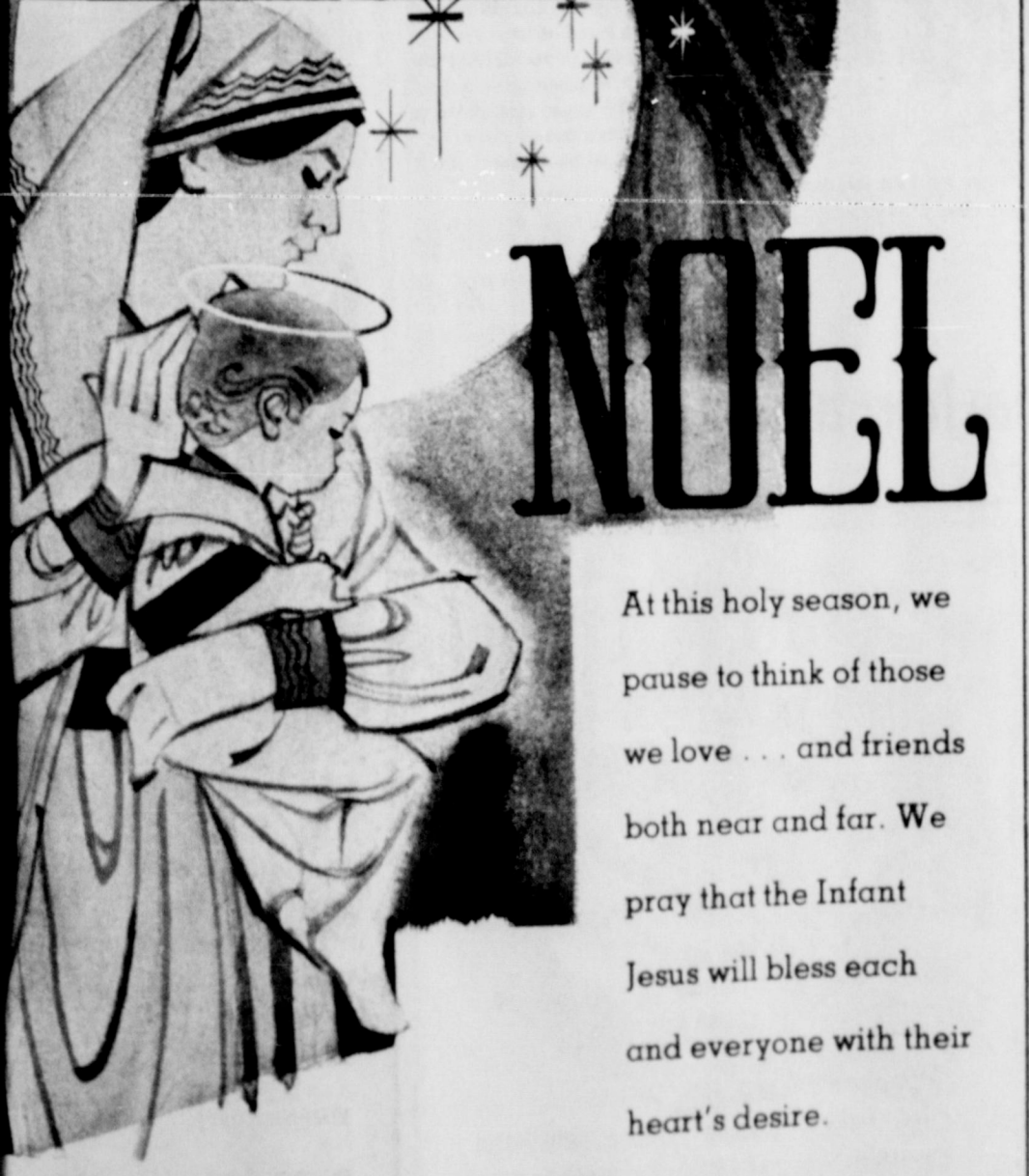
Sammy Valdez
Gary Hewitt
Joey Swain

Harvey Reynolds
Mike Burkham
Jimmy Don Moore



May your holidays
ly with the sound of
nd may they be warmed by
friendship and love!

Lane-Felker
Haskell, Texas



NOEL

At this holy season, we pause to think of those we love... and friends both near and far. We pray that the Infant Jesus will bless each and everyone with their heart's desire.

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Merry Christmas!

Here's an old-fashioned greeting from all of us to all our friends!

JERRY'S PLUMBING
Jerry and Peggy Guinn
Mary Thomas, Charlie Bateman, Felix Valdez, Carroll Jones

Benjamin Exes Seek Funds For Civic Center

Friends and ex-students of the Benjamin School System met on December 8 at the call of the officers of the Association, including James R. Bisbee, president; Julia Propps, vice president; and Jonnie (Jackson) Williams, secretary-treasurer.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. L.O. Jackson, Butch Mc Canlies, Mr. and Mrs. Dutch Young, Joe Barton, Julia Propps, Joy Spikes,

Grace Bisbee, Grace Snailum, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Tolson, Beth McCanlies, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Williams, and James R. Bisbee.

The group unanimously approved the idea of building a civic-social center to accommodate the bi-annual home coming and other large social activities throughout the year, such as square dances, country and western dances, organizational meetings and large family homecomings. Everyone agreed that such a facility would be open to all citizens for their use and enjoyment.

It was the consensus of the members and friends present that the present officials should begin the campaign to raise contributions of land, money, building materials, and labor immediately. Having the approval and consent of those present at the meeting, the executive committee sent out letters to exes on December 12 informing out-of-towners of the plans and goals made and soliciting their support and help in making the idea a reality.

In addition to the initial request for funds, etc., plans were discussed to solicit support from friends throughout the county. To implement contributions, several plans were made to sponsor a variety of money making activities in 1975. We hope and expect to begin implementing these plans in the near future.

While representative members of the community were gathered, plans were made to combine the bi-annual home coming and the Bi-centennial celebration. In June, 1976, the two groups will host the celebrations.

'A Christmas Carol' Presented

Under the direction of Mrs. Don Mullins, members of the Knox City eighth grade class presented the Charles Dickens play, "A Christmas Carol" on stage in the school auditorium Friday morning.

With powdered hair and appropriate make-up, the young thespians were costumed in clothing of the Dickens era.

Offstage music and sound effects were provided by class members.

The cast of "A Christmas Carol" included: Narrator, Jan Lowrey; Scrooge, Jody McGaughey; Mrs. Cratchit, Norma Valdez; Mr. Cratchit, Doug Ray; First Ghost, Beverly Ward; Second Ghost, Terri Mullins; Third Ghost, Rhonda Skiles; Fred, Jimmy Rushing; Gentleman, Mary LaFlower; Marley, David Counts; Tiny Tim, Terry

Curd; Martha, Brenda Clark; First Man, David Benson; second man, Troy Walker; Belle, Brenda Albus; First Boy, Mark McGaughey; Second Boy, Troy Walker; Fan, Linda Reynolds; Tom, Johnny Carrocco; Dick, Alvin Luna; and Peter, Skipper Jackson.

Sound and stage hands were Ralph Chaney, Toni Roach, Sylvia Sanchez, Loren Hedgecock, Johnnie Reynolds, Cynthia Rhodes, Roy Faulk, and Ron Norville.

Benjamin Churches Present Pageant

Members of Benjamin's Church of Christ, First Methodist and First Christian Churches joined together Sunday night for their annual Christmas pageant. All age groups join together to present the program which this year was held at the Methodist Church.

Theme of this year's pageant was "Love, Love, Love, That's What It's All About." This song was sung intermittently throughout the program with "peace", "joy", "me", and "you" substituted for "love" in later verses, by a choir of adults from all three churches. They were accompanied by Barbara Pierce on the piano.

Mrs. Kenneth Roberts introduced the program explaining that the children would present tableaux framed by a large silver-colored rectangular picture frame in the center of the church chancel.

To begin the program, Twylah Pierce played a piano solo, "Away in a Manger."

The first tableau was the angel choir presented by the "littlest angels," the primary children. Angels, dressed in white with silver tinsel halos, included Jeffrey Pierce, Misty Pierce, Lorrie Rolston, Buster Redwine, Amy Pratt, Sue, Lana, and Oscar Gideon, and Dana and Jana Hudson. The angels sang "Away in a Manger."

The second scene was the shepherds in the field keeping watch over their flocks. The shepherds were Kim Conner, Twylah Pierce, Kent Hertel, and Troy Pratt. As they knelt, the choir sang "The First Noel."

The third scene was of Joseph, Mary and the Babe in the manger with the shepherds kneeling before them. They were played by Stacy Groves and Ronda Redwine. The choir sang "Silent Night."

The three wise men then came down the aisle from the back of the church to join the scene. As they came, the choir sang "We Three Kings of Orient Are." Craig Hertel, Tracy Cartwright, and Joe Tension were the three kings.

During each tableau, the youth of the churches presented appropriate readings including "The Angels' Message", Luke 2:1-20 and Matthew 2:1-15. The Biblical passages were read from the "Good News for Modern Man" version of the Bible. Readers included Selina Hudson, Stacia Carver, Tammy Carver, who read during the angels' scene; Johnny Brannon and Johnny Pierce, who read for the shepherds' tableau; Keith Pierce, who read at the manger; and Ricky Carver and Joey Pierce who read for the wise men's scene.

The boys joined together to read in unison a Christmas prayer following the final scene. The program concluded by the actors, the choir, and the audience joining in singing "Joy to the World."

Following the program, Dub Cartwright passed out bags of fruit and candy to all of the children.

FROM ARIZONA

Mr. and Mrs. Porter Davis, Jennifer, Rebecca, and Adam of Phoenix, Arizona, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Worley, during the holidays.

Girl Scouts Go Caroling

Members of Girl Scout Troop 7 went out Christmas caroling Thursday night of last week. The girls went to the Care Home and to sing for several of their teachers and other friends.

Following the caroling, the troop returned to the First United Methodist Church for hot chocolate with marshmallows and cookies. The girls exchanged gifts and

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MR. AND MRS. JAMES
REQUEST THE HONOUR OF
AT THE MARRIAGE OF THE
LINDA SUE
TO
MR. KENNETH DARRE
WEDNESDAY, THE FIRST
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND
AT THREE O'CLOCK IN THE
FOUR SQUARE CH
KNOX CITY, TENN.

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Santa
wishes for
Yule to all our

Knox City Grain
Billy Mitchell, M
Knox City, Texas



Merry Christmas
with both love and
Texaco In
Doris and Ken Crown

SQUARE DANCE

The Seymour Squares will host a Square Dance on Saturday, January 4 featuring Al Eblen as caller. Dance will start at 8 p.m. at Seymour Senior Citizens Community Center, E. Belknap and S. Stratton. We invite all dancers to come and join the fun. Refreshments will be served.

LUNCHROOM MENUS

BREAKFAST MENUS:
JANUARY 2-3, 1975
Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday: School Holidays
Thursday: Orange Juice, Buttered Toast with Jelly, Milk
Friday: Applesauce, Cinnamon Toast, Milk

LUNCH MENUS:
JANUARY 2-3, 1975
Thursday: Fish Sticks, English Peas, Chilled Pears, Macaroni and Cheese, Milk
Friday: Pizza, Green Beans, Buttered Squash, Pineapple Pudding, Milk



We hope your home and heart will be filled with laughter, joy and good will this glad Holiday season—

Marion's Mobil Station

Knox City, Texas



JOY TO ALL!
Let the glad tidings ring out and let us rejoice!

Hester Irrigation

LA UNA and ALTON
SANDY - GENE - BOBBY

Legends


Candles

Christmas candles are left burning in windows in many countries to light the Christ Child on his way, and to draw friendly travelers in for rest and refreshment. But to make sure that no undesirable or evil visitors come in, a candle can be left burning on the hearth with salt sprinkled thickly around.



Who Will Rule?

Holly and ivy are grown in practically all countries of the world, and they are widely used as Christmas decorations. In one Yuletide legend, holly is considered to be "male" and ivy "female." Whichever is brought into the house first tells who will rule the house during the year.

WORLD WIDE PICTURES presents
The Restless Ones
Special screen appearance BILLY GRAHAM
Tuesday, Dec. 31
8:30 P.M.
FIRST BAPTIST
Knox City



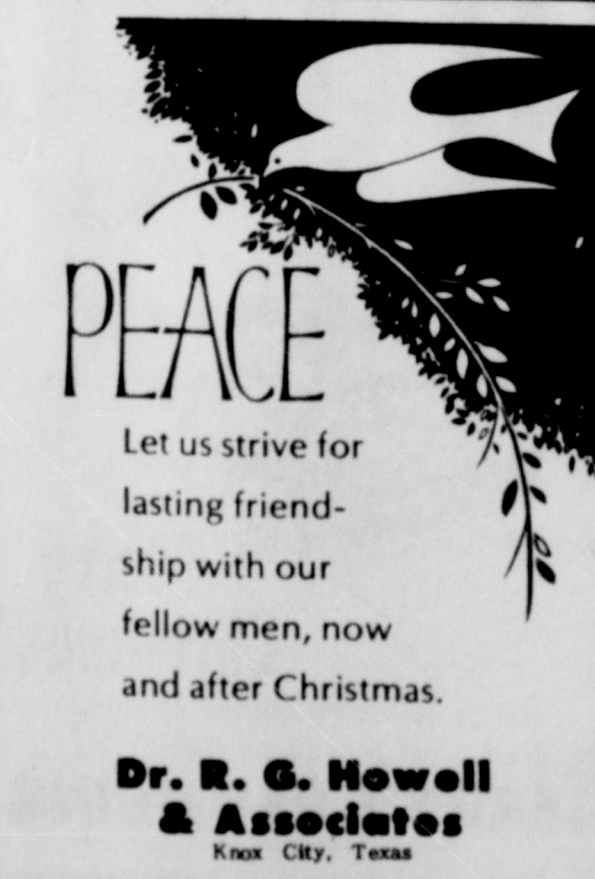
Greetings
There's no better time to wish our friends the best! Merry Christmas!
City Cleaners
Ken & Lorene
Knox City, Texas



HAPPY HOLIDAYS
We sincerely wish our many customers and friends every blessing of the season.
The Cartoonists
Dub, Joe, Tracy & Tracy




GREETINGS
Hope you have smooth sailing all through the holiday season. It's a pleasure to greet our many good friends and wish you a happy Yule!
Lloyd and Aileen Waldrip
Dr. R. G. Howell & Associates
Knox City, Texas



PEACE
Let us strive for lasting friendship with our fellow men, now and after Christmas.
Dr. R. G. Howell & Associates
Knox City, Texas



HI
Guess who's wishing you a wonderful Christmas season? May the festive spirit be yours throughout the holidays and after!
and thank you to our many friends and customers—
Bud Conners Exxon
Benjamin, Texas



Season's Greetings
We're delighted to have the opportunity to say "Thank you" to our many fine patrons and to wish you the very best of the season. We've enjoyed serving you in the past... we hope to serve you again in the future.
We will close early Christmas and be closed Christmas Day
Dairy Mart
Mr. and Mrs. James Bolton

Letters To Santa



would like a Baby Alive, and a dress. I am 10 years old. I would like a watch and that is all that I would like. I am in the 4th grade and my brothers names are Jimmy and Donnie Byrd.

Love,
Belinda Byrd

3707 28th Street
Lubbock, Texas
December 19, 1974

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Clay Hewitt and this is my very first Christmas. I saw you at the Mini-Mall in Knox City and you said to write a letter and give it to my grandmother at the News office.

For Christmas, I would like for you to bring me a Nerf Mobile, a Nerf Football, a Mini Wheel, Frankie Fliptail, a Wonder Horse, a Farmer See-and-Say, and a Frog Box to put all my new toys in.

Love,
Clay

December 11, 1974
Dear Santa Clause,
Hi! I would like a bike and a Baby Alive Barbie doll set, and most of all a real baton.

Brenda for Christmas and a walkie-talkie. Thank you for the present you gave me last year.

Yours truly,
Sharon

pretty good this year, I guess.
Yours truly,
Jill

Close and play record player and records
Snoopy toothbrush and another Hi! Dolly! especially.

Dear santa claus,
I want some shoes, drums and 7-up maker. I have been very good.

Merry Christmas
Marilyn

Dec. 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
Hi! I have been good this year. I want a bean bag, a Operation Game, a round necklace with a teddy bear on it, some boots, and a ring.

Yours truly,
LouAnn Weatherall

Dec. 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl. My name is Sharon Roberson. Please bring me a Busy

Dear Santa Claus,
Hi! For Christmas this year I would like a Raggedy Ann doll, a watch, a big umbrella, and a Real Baton. I have been

I haven't been as good this year as I was last year. I hope you will be able to get me the things I want:
Velvet Doll, the whole world of Barbie, (Everything that belongs to Barbie)

I hope you have a nice Christmas.
Love You,
Jennifer Rene Vasquez

Dec. 10, 1974
Dear Santa Claus,
Hi! My name is Belinda Byrd and I have been a good girl. I have 2 brothers and they have been good too. I

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good so you will bring me some yellow pajamas, a tractor and plow and a Little Wheel. I don't really want to see you, but please bring me and David some toys.

Thank you,
Dusty Bradley

Dec. 18, 1974
Wed. afternoon

Dear Santa,
My name is Kim Bateman. My sister, Angie, is writing this letter for me because I am only four. For Christmas I would like a sit and spin, baby alive, dishes, inch-worm, and a candy Santa in my stocking. I have been very good this year. There will be some cookies and milk on the kitchen table.

Merry Christmas,
Kim Bateman

P.S. I love you.
Please leave something for my sisters, Angie and Michelle.

Dear Santa,
I would like a Smash up derby, Evil Kneivel, Big Jim, and a nerf football. I hop you have a merry Christmas. Hope your elfs have a merry merry Christmas too.

Love,
David May



CHRISTMAS Greetings

We hope the holidays ring in the best of everything for you!
At this joyous time, we'd like to take the opportunity to thank you for your loyal patronage throughout the past year—we look forward to serving you again in the years to come.

The Citizens State Bank

OFFICERS · DIRECTORS · EMPLOYEES
MEMBER F.D.I.C.
INSURED TO \$20,000.00 KNOX CITY, TEXAS



Decorations are up and excitement in the air. We wish friends old and new the happiest of holidays... Thank you for your patronage!

Co-Op Gin

O'Brien, Texas

WANT ADS DO THE JOB FAST!

Hospital News

STREAMS IN DESERT PLACES

By Ozelle Stephens

BOYS BICYCLE with hand brakes for sale. Air Pump included. In excellent condition. May be seen at Komer Kitchen, 501 Central Avenue, 545. 12-19 tlc

FROM WALL TO WALL, no soil at all, on carpets cleaned with Blue Lustre. Rent electric shampooer, \$1. Perry's, Knox City, Texas. 12-26 1tc

6% ON NEW CAR financing including credit life insurance and free license plates. Leo Fetsch, 422-4259, Monday, 11-14 tlc

FOR RENT - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath House. Call 658-3262. 12-12 tlc

HOMEWORKERS WANTED IN THIS AREA: Men, women, students. No experience necessary; stuffing and addressing envelopes (Commission Mailers). Earn spare-time money at home. \$100.00 weekly possible. Send \$1.00 (refundable) and long, stamped envelope for details: PPS-1049, 216 Jackson #612, Chicago 60606. 12-26 3pc

3 TON HEATING UNIT for sale. In perfect condition. \$75. See Lyn Tankersley or call 658-3367. 11-28 tlc

NOW IN STOCK 1975 Success Calendar Refills. Knox County News, 4-19 tlc

POODLE CLIPPING - Patty Elliott, 310 W. Belknap, Seymour, Texas 76380, phone 817-888-2820. Make appointments Monday through Saturday. Open 9 to 5. Dipping, Clipping, Baths, and Nails. 8-29 tlc

FOR SALE - PECANS - Burkett, 75c per pound. John Egenbacher Impl., Phone 817-658-3242. 11-21 tlc

ONE YEAR OLD Frigidaire copper-tone electric range for sale. Call 658-3359. 11-21 tlc

WATER WELL DRILLING - Irrigation and domestic. Call W.P. Hise (817) 864-3727 in Haskell. 7-18 tlc

SEE YOUR MONUMENTS before you buy. More than 50 designs to choose from. Also curb work. J. C. McGee. 10-21 tlc

BAYLOR MILLING CO., Throckmorton Highway, Seymour. Custom Mixing - Pelleting - Your grain or ours. Range cubes, creep feeds, hog feeds, start to finish. 888-3921. 10-10 tlc

FOR SALE: Used Furniture. Need to move these Now: Almost new 5-piece living room suite - 3-piece bedroom suite, double complete - 2-piece bedroom suite, twin complete - 2-piece bedroom suite, double complete - 7-piece dinette suite - Frigidaire electric range - Frigidaire electric refrigerator - Frigidaire electric dryer - Frigidaire 16 cu. ft. deep freeze, chest type - 3-month old Maytag clothes washer - 2 lamps - 1 lawn mower, gas - 1 electric edger - 1 cart - 2 water-type air conditioners. See Barney Arnold or David Counts. 12-26 tlc

FOR SALE: 1960 Ford 3/4 Ton Truck. Good 8 Ply Tires - Good Running condition. see at 500 Ave. H. 658-3359. 12-5 tlc

DWELLING FOR SALE at 700 S. 4th, Knox City. Brick veneer, 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Fireplace, Corner Lots. Shown Appointment Only Exclusive Listing **WALLACE MOORHOUSE** Phone 422-4341 Munday, Texas 12-26 1tc

IF CARPETS look dull and dreary, remove the spots as they appear with Blue Lustre. Rent electric shampooer, \$1. City Hardware. 12-26 1tc

FOR OUR CUSTOMERS who prefer Pentel Pens, we now have them in stock at The Knox County News, \$2.98. 7-11 tlc

Notice

A public hearing will be held by the Commissioners Court of Knox County on their regular meeting date of Monday, the 13th of January, 1975 in the Knox County Court-house, Benjamin, Texas. On the agenda for that date is a proposal for a cost of living salary increase of 7 1/2% for the following elected county officials: County Judge, County Clerk, Tax-Assessor, Sheriff, County Commissioners, Justices of the Peace, and County Attorney; with the County Treasurer's salary to be increased 10%. Also to be considered on this date is an increase in the monthly car allowance of the members of the Commissioners Court of \$25.00 per month. The financial condition of the county being on a sound basis, and these proposed increases in salaries will not call for any increase in taxes.

Sam E. Clonts
County Judge
Knox County

12-26 1tc

KRAUSE PLOW AND SERVIS SHREDDER REPAIR PARTS - Now in stock. Also Braking plow shares for John Deere, IHC, and Oliver. Cat-face Busters for planting, 12, '4, and 22's. John Egenbacher Implement Co., Call 658-3242. 3-7 tlc

410 SHOT GUN FOR SALE magazine type, also bird dog. Will buy furs. See Tom Thomas. 12-19 1tp

FOR SALE: 3-bedroom house, 1104 So. 4th. See Barney Arnold or David Counts. 12-26 2tc

Notice

That in accordance with Article 1377c of the Penal Code, **CRIMINAL TRESPASS** (Senate Bill III passed by the 62nd Legislature), notice is hereby given that all lands of the W.T. Waggoner Estate are **POSTED** - save and except where written permission is given to come upon the same. **JOHN BIGGS, TRUSTEE.** 12-2 tlc

CARD OF THANKS

Charlene Brothers, we appreciate your thoughtfulness in bringing the box of candy for all of us at The Knox County News to enjoy.

This was a special favor and we thank you so much!

We want to wish you and your family a Merry Christmas.

Billye, Stacy, Bea, Jo Nell, Mary, and Glenna



Mr. and Mrs. Sam Nichols of Dimmitt are the proud parents of a new baby boy born December 3, at 7:58 p.m. in Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene.

The baby was named Matthew Scott and weighed six pounds, eleven and a half ounces and was 20 inches long.

Maternal grandmother is Mrs. Bobby Osborn and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. S.S. Nichols, all of Abilene.

Nichols was girls basketball coach here last year and his wife Judy taught third grade.

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL AS OF DECEMBER 21, 1974

Knox City: E.G. Parkhill, Minnie Parkhill, L.V. Dodd, Kerry Berry, Doyle Mae Griffith, Jackie Bridges, Ben Snelson, Sammy B. White
Rochester: C.H. King
O'Brien: Ruby O'Neal
Goree: Leach Cough
Munday: Herman Friske, Bessie Hendrix, Susa Trammell, Juanita Hilliard and Baby Girl, Mary Hernandez and Baby Girl

PATIENTS DISMISSED SINCE DECEMBER 14, 1974

Knox City: Mabel Pyeatt, Bill Magee
Munday: Louisa Sepeda, Mamye Brazell, Sam Williams, Linda Johnson, Nora Lee Taylor and Baby Boy, Tammie Ray
Benjamin: Smith Baby Boy, Nell Hudson, Mitzi Smith, Thelma Nunley
Rule: Shirley Louis and Baby Boy, Ann Crawford
O'Brien: Aurora Cassillas and Baby Boy
Rochester: Carl Hitt, Simone Sarabia, Shirley Sloan and Baby Girl

"In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children.... (Matt. 2:18).

Soon after the angels brought the good News of the birth of Jesus, the Saviour, there was sorrow. Many baby boys were slain; mothers were weeping for their children. But Jesus was already among the people, so he felt their grief-- So it is today. He feels your grief in sorrow but when he is Lord of your life, He guides you, He goes before you, and His presence becomes your joy and strength.

There is one great thing about a Christian that catches the eye of all who see them; and that is the Joy, the calm and the peace they have when trouble comes. In spite of heartache and disappointments the spirit of Christ lives within and the glowing light of truth and strength shines out. Real victories will be yours for the New Year if you let Jesus Christ be the Lord of your life. He is waiting to guide you every step of the way.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

TOWER DRIVE-IN
RULE, TEXAS
THURSDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY DEC. 26-27-28

CHARLES BRONSON
"DEATH WISH"
Starring: MICHAEL CURTIZ, WILLIAM BOYD

SUNDAY DECEMBER 29th
"STREET GANGS"
MURDER MYSTERY

Letter To The Editor

December 17, 1974
Dear Knox City Friends:
I have been a patient in the General Hospital here since December 3rd, but I should be home for Christmas. Because of this illness, I cannot address and send Christmas greetings to my relatives and friends as is always my special joy.
I have already received many cards from you kind dear friends, and I do appreciate each one.
For each of you I do wish the Blessed Hope, the Peace, and the Happiness of Christmas will continue to be with you through the New Year, 1975.
My love and grateful memories for all.
Mrs. Martin T. (Bessie) Smith
1904 Buchanan
Wichita Falls, Texas

Dear Mrs. Angle,
Sam and I would like to announce the birth of our son, Matthew Scott.
We look forward to reading about the basketball teams. We were also very proud of the Greyhounds for their excellent year in football.
Thank you for sending the paper.
Sincerely,
Judy Nichols

Holy Night

We hope the blessings of the season abide with you and yours. Merry Christmas!

C and C Electric
Willie Collins
Knox City, Texas

merry Christmas

CLONTS Hdwe. & Furn.
KNOX CITY, TEXAS

TEXAS THEATRE
Haskell, Texas
Fri., Sat., & Sun.
December 27-28-29

STEVE DUSTIN
McQUEEN HOFFMAN
with FRANKLIN SCHAFNER
PAPILLON

VICTOR JURY
DON GORDON
ANTHONY JERSE
HAWKSON TECHNICAL
RUELL WITTS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31st
BIG NEW YEARS EVE
SHOW AT 11:00

Happy New Year 1975



Rejoice!

"How silently, how silently the wondrous gift is given . . . so God imparts to human hearts the blessings of His heaven." Let us rejoice in the gift of God to mankind . . . His Beloved Son

The Knox County Hospital Staff