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## SANTA'S ON HIS WAY!



### MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR



DISTRICT JUDGE LEWIS M. WILLIAMS, left, receives recognition plaque from W. S. (Bill) Healy.

### Tuesday Dinner Honors Dist. Judge L. M. Williams

Members of the Bar Association of the 50th Judicial District met Tuesday evening, December 12, in the City Cafe Banquet Room in Knox City for an appreciation dinner honoring District Judge Lewis M. Williams, who has served in this capacity since January 1, 1941. Joe Reeder Jr. of Knox City served as master of ceremonies, and all lawyers of the district attended, with the exception of one and illness prevented his being there.

### Truck Driver Dies Mon. On Guthrie Hwy.

Henry Jackson Frazier, 56, Irving truck driver, died Monday at 3:35 a.m. of an apparent heart attack six miles east of Guthrie on U. S. Highway 82. He was pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace Christine Hardin.

### New Business For Knox City

Knox City gained another new business last week when Mrs. Gene (June) Hamilton opened her beauty salon at their residence here on South Central Avenue, which is the O'Brien Highway. She has named her shop June's Hair Fashions and will feature 4-way hair shaping.

### Hospital Staff Enjoys Party

Employees of the Knox County Hospital held their annual Christmas party last Friday night in the dining room of the hospital. Members of the staff of the Knox City Clinic and also the Munday Clinic were invited guests, but due to the icy weather, only local employees were able to attend.

### Despite Weather KC Voters Turn Out To Pass Sales Tax

City officials were well pleased Saturday with the turnout of one hundred and fifty voters in spite of the cold, icy weather. Knox City voters passed the one percent sales tax by a margin of 5 to 1, with 126 casting their approval to 24 against.

### June Lewis Is Home On Leave

June Lewis arrived home Saturday to spend three weeks' leave during the holidays with her parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lewis and Lavine.

### St. Joseph's Church Will Hold Services

The traditional Christmas services at St. Joseph's Church in Rhineland is scheduled to begin at 11 p.m. with Christmas carols from the recently installed Verdin Bell System.

### Weather Forces Cage Tourney Cancellation

KCHS's annual round robin basketball tournament for boys and girls scheduled for last Thursday, Friday and Saturday had to be cancelled last Friday morning due to the icy, dangerous roads within the area.

### Weather Observations

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12-18	60	36	
12-19		36	
Total Precipitation		.68	

### Pete Barnard, Long Time Resident Of O'Brien, Dies

Funeral services for Herman Adkins "Pete" Barnard, 65, long-time O'Brien resident, were held at 2 p.m. Friday from the First Baptist Church in O'Brien with the Rev. K. E. Wooley of Benjamin officiating.

### Rites For Mrs. Ida Page Held At O'Brien Thursday

Funeral services were held last Thursday, December 14, at 2 p.m. in the O'Brien Baptist Church for Mrs. Ida Page, 90, with the Rev. Floyd Bailey, Foursquare Church pastor of Knox City officiating, assisted by Mrs. Nettie Wilcox, also of Knox City.

### Texas Highway Dept. To Begin Work In Knox Co.

The Texas Highway Commission on December 18, 1967, approved the expenditure of \$600,000 for the widening, reconditioning, and resurfacing of State Highway 283, in Knox County, from Benjamin South through Knox City, to the Haskell County Line, a distance of approximately 13.8 miles, as part of the 1969-1970 Consolidated Highway Program.

### Stores Will Close Dec. 25 And January 1

Knox City merchants will close their doors and observe the Christmas and New Year's Day holidays on Mondays, December 25 and January 1, according to Bruce B. Campbell Jr., Chamber of Commerce president.

### 7 Accidents Investigated

The Texas Highway Patrol investigated 7 accidents on rural highways in Knox County during the month of November, according to Sergeant Frank Jirck, Highway Patrol Supervisor of this area.



RONNY HAMILTON

### KC Couple's Son In Germany With U.S. Honor Guard

Pfc. Ronny Hamilton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hamilton of Knox City, is presently serving with the U. S. Army Honor Guard in Heidelberg, Germany.

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GRANNY—Irene Ryan of Filmways' "The Beverly Hillbillies"—says, "Before you take off on your Christmas shopping trip, add U.S. Savings Bonds to your check-off list. They fit everyone. And the color is just right, too!"

ENJOY DEER HUNT

David Counts, Lyndol Cypert, Donald Johnson, John L. Grindstaff Jr. and Charles Clarke, all of Knox City, accompanied by Chas. B. Bateman of Wichita Falls were deer hunting in Mason last week for several days.

The rank of fleet admiral in the U. S. Navy was established December 14, 1944. The following day Ernest J. King, William D. Leahy and Chester W. Nimitz were appointed to that rank.

Petroleum accounts for nearly three-fourths tonnage handled in Texas ports.

Everyone is invited. MERRY CHRISTMAS!



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## DPS Estimates 55 Traffic Deaths Over The Christmas Holidays

Homer Garrison Jr., director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, said today that DPS Statistical Services has estimated 55 persons may die in traffic mishaps over the Christmas weekend.

Garrison said that the combined efforts of state and local police agencies and private traffic safety support organizations will be directed toward keeping the traffic toll below the estimate.

"Operation Deathwatch will be in effect from 6 p.m. Friday, December 22 through 11:59 p.m. Monday, December 25," said Garrison.

"During this period we will make every effort to inform each motorist of the need for attention to safe driving. For the first time in many years the uniformed services of the Department are at almost full strength, and every highway patrolman will be on duty as much as possible. In addition, we will have about 250 men from other uniformed services of the DPS who will supplement the highway patrol force doing patrol duty."

Traffic deaths will be tabulated and the totals announced three times daily to the news media from DPS headquarters in Austin.

It has also been estimated that 45 persons will be killed in traffic accidents over the New Year's weekend. The

"Deathwatch" will resume at 6 p.m. Friday, December 29 and continue through 11:59 p.m. Monday, January 1, 1968.

Last year 50 persons lost their lives in traffic over the Christmas weekend, and 39 were killed over New Year's weekend.

Cooperating with the DPS in its efforts to hold down traffic mishaps are the Texas Safety Association, the Texas Railroad Association and the Texas Association of Broadcasters.

"Traffic deaths are terrible tragedies at any time of the year," Garrison said, "and they are made even more terrible by the fact that they don't have to happen . . . at Christmas or any other time. We can each do a great deal toward cutting down on the number of mishaps by using a little common sense in our driving and showing a little courtesy."

"We issue each driver a personal challenge at this special time of year. This Christmas let's all go out of our way to show a little consideration for our fellow man, both on and off the road. We can prove in a short while that traffic tragedies can be avoided."

The value of property saved by the U. S. Coast Guard last year amounted to three times the sum allotted to the Coast Guard for its operation during the same period.

## Former Resident Is Now Co-Owner Of N. M. Firm



VAUGHN GRUBEN



CLAYTON BURKHART

One of Hobbs' and Southeastern New Mexico's leading automobile dealerships, Gene Horn Oldsmobile and Cadillac, 809 North Turner, has changed ownership.

Vaughn Gruben, former general sales manager for Horn, and Clayton Burkhardt, former El Paso zone field manager for Oldsmobile, have purchased the business from Horn.

Horn, who had owned the dealership here since 1963, has purchased an Oldsmobile firm in El Paso, Tex.

The new owners said the dealership would continue to operate with "the same quality and efficient service as always."

O. M. Brown, who was service manager under Horn, has accepted a similar position with Horn in El Paso and will be replaced by Terry Criswell, who was shop foreman, according to Gruben and Burkhardt.

They said Ray Griffin would move up to the shop foreman position. Other department heads are Ruth Lorewald, office manager; Willard Pennington, body department manager; Elton Sanders parts manager; and Tom Kinkade, assistant parts manager. The firm will continue to employ 33 persons, the owners said.

Gruben, who originated the local dealership's slogan "Where quality and courtesy go hand in hand," came to Hobbs from Knox City, Tex. in 1964.

Gruben is chairman of the board of deacons at the First Baptist Church and has taught a Sunday School class for 20 years. In 1963 he participated in the Baptist Layman's New Life Crusade in the Far East.

He is a past president of the Hobbs-Lea Lions Club. Burkhardt came to Hobbs earlier this year from El Paso where he had been Oldsmobile's district manager for four years. Prior to that he was in the real estate and insurance business in Oklahoma City.

Burkhardt is a graduate of Oklahoma State University.

fits are continued. His case is followed during his trial work period and re-evaluated at the end of this time. On the other hand, if a disabled person shows sufficient medical improvement to commence substantial work, his benefits are stopped immediately.

If assistance or further information is desired, contact the Vernon social office or meet with the Social Security representative who comes to the City Hall in Knox City.

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## Sign Up Now With Job Corps

Young men 16 to 22 years of age, unemployed and not in school can enroll now for Job Corps training opportunities to become available after the first of the year, according to the Texas Employment Commission.

This means that the Job Corps enrollee can sign up now for training, but will not be required to report to the training center until after the holidays. TEC recruits and screens applicants with selection and assignment made by the Job Corps.

With an influx of applicants for Job Corps training expected after the Christmas and New Year's holiday, it is possible that training slots will be filled and that applicants applying after the holidays will face an extended waiting period. At present, the average waiting period for male applicants between sign up and departure is about four weeks, which means that a youth signing up in December would leave in January if his application is approved by the Job Corps.

Besides \$30.00 per month spending money, the Job Corps provides \$50.00 training allowance for each month of satisfactory participation, payable at

## 3 Requirements For Disability Payments Given

There are three main requirements for disability payments under social security:

1. There must be an impairment which renders you unable to do any substantial work for which you are qualified by age, experience and education.
2. The disabling condition must be expected to last at least one year.
3. You must have social security credits for at least five years of work in the ten-year period immediately before your disability began.

### WAITING PERIOD

The Social Security Act did not contemplate paying benefits for temporary or short term disabilities. Thus, a six-month waiting period was prescribed in the law. This in effect means that a person qualifying for disability payments would not receive his first check until six full months have passed from the date he became disabled.

### FILING FOR BENEFITS

A person should apply for disability benefits at any time he feels he meets the requirements set out above. Application can be made at any social security office. If it is not possible for him to visit a social security office, he may ask a member of his family or some other person to contact the social security office on his behalf. In the event a person is hospitalized or housebound and has no one to act for him, arrangements can be made for a representative to call in person. Occasionally the situation will occur where a person is not mentally or physically capable of filing for himself or handling his own funds. In these cases, a member of the family should file on his behalf.

### FAMILY PAYMENTS

Once a person has been awarded disability benefits, members of his family would also be eligible for payments on the same basis as those of a retired worker. Disability benefits are continued to the worker and eligible members of his family as long as he remains unable to do substantial work. In some cases, this is an indefinite period and in others, of course, a relatively short time. When a disabled person is able to start work activity, the social security law allows a nine month trial work period during which time his bene-



WILMA FAHRNG  
... Miss RJC

## Wilma Fahrng, KCHS Graduate, Named Miss RJC At Ranger

Wilma Fahrng, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William L. (Bill) Fahrng of Knox City, has been named "Miss RJC" at Ranger Junior College in Ranger.

A 1966 graduate of Knox City

High School, Miss Fahrng was chosen for the honor by her fellow students during a campus-wide election.

She will be honored in the 1968 RANGER, the RJC year-book.

Miss Fahrng is active in several organizations on the RJC campus. She is a member of the Range Anns, the girls' basketball team, and the Student Government.

She plans to finish her college education at Sul Ross College in Alpine after graduating from RJC next spring.

## WISH I'D SAID THAT



"Don't cuss the weather; nine-tenths of the people couldn't start a conversation if it didn't change once in awhile."—Harold P. Beason, Smith County (Kan.) Pioneer.

"They call our language the mother tongue because the father so seldom gets a chance to use it."—Elizabeth W. Spalding, Editor, Bardstown (Ky.) Standard.

"Seems like there are a lot of people complaining about the way the country is going who do nothing about it but vote for more things to complain about."—George B. Bowra, Aztec (New Mexico) Independent Review.

## Plymouth Dealers Sponsor Trouble Shooting Contest

America's "Road Scholars" will convene in Indianapolis this year.

These are the youngsters who'll have to hit the books as well as the road to become winners in the 20th Annual Plymouth Trouble Shooting Contest.

More than 100,000 high school students from every state are eligible to compete through inter-class competition in this year's contest for \$100,000 in scholarships and prizes.

They'll race the clock, trying to find — and repair — foul-ups deliberately planted under the hoods of new Plymouth cars.

The contest is jointly sponsored by the Plymouth Dealers of America and the Chrysler-Plymouth Division.

John H. Moore, Jr., national coordinator of the event, announced the Indianapolis choice in an address before the National Association of School Administrators.

Previously held in Detroit, the finals are moving to Indianapolis in 1968 "so these motor-minded youngsters will have a chance to see the '500' Speedway and meet some of the country's top drivers," Moore said.

The National Plymouth Trouble Shooting Contest will be held June 18, 19 and 20, and the finalists will represent teams who emerged as winners in some 77 regional contests, held next spring.

"We estimate that in the program's 19 years, about 13,000 participants in local contests have been placed in full or part time work in our industry," Moore told the educators.

"But even in our pride, we know that more must be done.

Our industry needs many more qualified mechanics. The gap between the number of vehicles in this country and the number of mechanics to take care of them increases every year.

"Unless the number of young men entering mechanical work increases substantially by 1976, there will be only 750,000 trained service technicians instead of the one and a quarter million we'll need."

## Jan. 31 Deadline For VA Income Cards

More than two million veterans and widows receiving pensions from the Veterans Administration are being mailed cards on which to report their annual income, Jack Coker, Manager of the VA Regional Office in Waco, said today.

The check-sized income report cards, enclosed with the November pension checks, must be filled out and returned to the VA by January 31, or payment of the pension will be stopped, Coker reminded. The law requires that payment be stopped if income is not reported.

The forms have been simplified this year, and designed for faster processing in automatic accounting machines. It is important that the cards not be folded, torn or mutilated.

The income questionnaires are going to all veterans and widows on VA's non-service-connected pension rolls, and to parents of deceased veterans who are receiving dependency and indemnity payments.

Lynne T. Barret drilled first Texas oil well near Nacogdoches in 1866; Texas became nation's No. 1 oil producing state in 1928.

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# O'BRIEN NEWS

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## FRANKIE BAKER RECEIVES NATIONAL HONOR

Mrs. Frankie Baker has been selected to appear in the 1967 annual biographical compilation of Outstanding Young Women of America. This publication was begun by the leaders of the nation's women's clubs. They felt that young women who gave their time for community projects should be recognized. Guidelines for selection include unselfish service to others, charitable activities, community service, professional excellence, business advancement, and civic and professional recognition.

Mrs. Baker was a 1952 graduate of Mattson Rural High School where she was salutatorian of her graduating class. She attended McMurry College where she was a member of FTA and Gamma Sigma Social Club

and Freshman Class Favorite and graduated in 1958 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree.

In April 1953 she married William Roy Baker. She has taught school for twelve years at Mattson and O'Brien, with the Baker family moving here in 1961.

Mrs. Baker has been a member and secretary of Haskell County TSTA, a member and sec. of the Beta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, and the director of Haskell County TB Assoc. for two years. She has headed Cancer drives in O'Brien, served as committee member for the Miss Hey Day and Miss Cotton Contests, served as 4-H Leader, served as official scorekeeper for Little League for two years, her students have gone to Regional in typing, shorthand, and poetry interpretation, and she now teaches an Adult Basic Education class two nights a week. The Baker family are members of the Methodist Church in Knox City.

## MAN SUFFERS ICY MISHAP

Elias Bernel and his son, Jesse, of Hereford, were here visiting the Chris Jimenez family when Mr. Bernel slipped on the ice last weekend and broke his left arm.

## FROM ALVARADO

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Clay of Alvarado were overnight guests Tuesday in the home of her mother, Mrs. Myrtle White.

# Hospital News

Patients dismissed from the Knox County Hospital since December 12, 1967:

Benjamin - Evelyn Daniels, Mary Tom Barker;

Knox City - Salem Hutchinson, Clarence and Pearl Woodward, Adella Lara and baby boy, Ted Clary;

O'Brien - Margie Sarabia and baby boy, Joe Valencia, Wanda Day, Clyde Covey, Hortense Rodriguez;

Rochester - J. G. Hicks, Betty Melton;

Goree - Virgil Allen, Sandra Allen;

Munday - Nora Taylor and baby boy, Allie Dickerson.

Patients in the Knox City Hospital as of December 18, 1967:

Knox City - Ellen Martinez, Ollie Berryhill, Guillermo Floriano, Pauline Davis, Icelena Clonts, William Ave-itt;

Munday - Maude Isbell;

Wichita Falls - Beulah Sams; Goree - Calvin Morton;

O'Brien - Baby girl Rodriguez.

# Cotton Classing Office Reports

The Munday Cotton Classing Office of the U. S. Department of Agriculture classed about 9,500 samples for the week ending Dec. 15, 1967. This brings the seasons classing total to 65,000 bales.

Grades, staple, and micronaire readings continued to drop as harvest entered the final stage. Consumer and Marketing Service statistics show 14 percent classed in the white grades as compared to 21 percent last week. Seventy-two percent was classed as Light Spotted as compared to 69 percent last week and Spotted Cotton increased to 13 percent as compared to last weeks 9 percent. Individual grades were Middling 4 percent, Strick Low Middling, 10 percent; 53 percent Middling Light Spotted; 18 percent Strict Low Middling Light Spotted; 1 percent Low Middling Light Spotted; 9 percent Middling Spotted; 2 percent Strict Low Middling Spotted, and 2 percent was called Tinged. Six percent was reduced because of grass or bark.

Staple lengths for the week were 13 percent 29/32, 67 percent 15/16; 14 percent 31/32 and 5 percent 1 inch or longer. Micronaire readings were 84 percent 3.5 - 4.9; 5 percent 3.3 - 3.4; 6 percent 3.0 - 3.2; 2 percent 2.7 - 2.9 and 2 percent reading 5.0 or higher.

Prices on cotton were about the same as last weeks with 29/32 and 15/16 staples selling at about 400 points over loan value and 31/32 at about 500 points over. Several sources reported a drop in prices the last of the week which did not show up in this weeks price averages.

# Truscott News

BY RUTH BROWN

The big ice storm was the news of the past week in Truscott. It began Wednesday with gray skies and snow flurries, growing worse until Saturday. Phone lines southwest of Truscott were out of order from Thursday through Monday. No long distance calls out of Seymour were possible until Monday. Several homes in Gilliland were without electricity for awhile Sunday. Mrs. Jim Cash reports a broken wire left them without electricity from Saturday until Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Jones left Tuesday morning for El Paso to visit her brother, Walter Snell. That city received four inches of snow while they were there. Then they drove to Nogal to visit a sister of Mrs. Jones, the last few miles through a driving snow storm. At Nogal the car refused to start up again, due to a combination of highway slush on the motor and very low temperatures. Anxious to get home, they finally caught a ride to Carrizozo, rode the train to Tucumcari and caught a bus from there to Vernon. As the bus was passing through downtown Vernon Mrs. Jones said she thought she saw her grandsons car near the movie. Luckily James Williams had gone to the movie Sunday afternoon with some friends and was glad to take his grandparents home. Since all phones to Truscott were out at that time Mr. and Mrs. Jones felt especially fortunate in finding him there. "You don't know how good home looks," they have both exclaimed. The car is still in New Mexico.

The community Christmas party, canceled on Friday, because of weather conditions was re-set for Tuesday, weather permitting. The Bluebird, Trailseeker and Firemaker members of the Truscott Camp Fire Girls met Tuesday at Mrs. Jack W. Brown's house. In the candle-light ceremony Rosa Palacia, Jacquelyn Brown and Renee Westbrook were awarded Trailseeker emblems and Christy Shaw was welcomed as a new member. A program of Camp Fire and Christmas songs followed the ceremony. After a gift exchange refreshments of Christmas cookies, punch and sandwiches were served by Mrs. Brown and the co-hostess, Mrs. Tommy Westbrook, the Bluebird leader.

Bob Brown of Crowell visited his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Brown over the weekend.

Wednesday James Williams of Crowell visited his aunt, Mrs. Jack W. Brown, for supper.

Mrs. Pearl Haynie of Hamlin visited in Truscott Tuesday. Q. D. Williams of Floydada visited Vernon Jones Tuesday, Wednesday he helped at the McFaddin Ranch.

Following Christmas parties and exchange of gifts, the Gilliland School will dismiss for the Christmas holidays Wednesday, Dec. 20, at 2:00 p.m. School will resume on Jan. 2.

Gilliland school pictures arrived last Friday from Wolfe City.

Mr. Bryan Groves is in the Harris Hospital in Fort Worth. Mrs. R. B. Glidewell and her son, R. B. Jr., moved to Dallas Monday. Mrs. Glidewell reports she has been a Truscott resident since 1927 except for a few years during World War II when she lived at Orange. Her new address will be 7639 Mary Dan Drive, Dallas, Texas. Mrs. Glidewell has several children living in the Dallas area.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Chowning plan to move to Vernon from Odessa some time before Jan. 1. He has bought an interest in the Russel Barber Shop in Vernon. The Chowning's are parents of a son, Rodney Duane, 8 lbs. 11/2 oz., born Nov. 27. The maternal grandmother, Mrs. Marion Chowning, Jr. spent Dec. 2-9 at Odessa with her son's family.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Salyers of Abilene spent Saturday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Chowning, Jr. Mrs. Salyers was in Austin Nov. 28-29 when she took her beauty instructor's examination. Mrs. Chowning accompanied her to serve as her model.

Last Monday Marion Chowning Jr. passed his barber's examination at Abilene.

Tuesday Mrs. Marion Chowning, Jr. was in Muenster for some surgery by Dr. Kralicke. Due to the phone lines being out this writer was unable to make the usual calls and the fill-in reporter found most people gone when attempting to gather news Monday. However, ice and snow seems to have

kept most people in and visitors away. We did get one half inch moisture from the storm.

This reporter wishes a Merry Christmas to all readers and many thanks for their cooperation in gathering the news. We sent a special Season's Greetings to Mrs. H. A. Smith who wrote this column for so many years. She is now living at Benjamin with her sister, Mrs. Allie Moorhouse.



Al and Wanda Madina of 14303 Oakwood Lane, Mesquite, Texas 75149, announce the arrival of a baby daughter, Kami Alane. Kami was born on December 3 and weighed 6 lbs., 11 ozs. She has an older brother, Kevin, age 2 1/2 years.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Tibbets of Rochester, and the paternal grandmother, Mrs. Madina, who is visiting from Hawaii.

# KC Garden Club Has Yule Party

Members of the Knox City Garden Club enjoyed a Christmas program and party last Tuesday, December 12, in the home of Mrs. Phil Dudney. Co-hostess was Mrs. L. W. Graham.

Roll call was answered with the display of a Christmas decoration or idea.

Mrs. Ernie Wilson displayed an abstract arrangement entitled "North Wind" which featured a piece of drift wood inclined to the north and a single red chrysanthemum which has bloomed twice this year.

Mrs. Guy Robinson read a Christmas story on the real Santa Claus, and Mrs. J. C. McGee read a poem, "Just Before Christmas".

After an exchange of gifts, refreshments were served. Mrs. Arthur Crownover conducted a short business session. Minutes of the November meeting were read and approved. A nominating committee was appointed to select a slate of officers to be elected in January. Named to the committee were Mrs. Guy Robinson, Mrs. C. C.

# Ruth SS Class Entertained In Clarke Home

The Ruth Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church was entertained Tuesday evening of last week in the home of Mrs. Loree Clarke.

The home was beautifully decorated in the holiday motif, and members enjoyed a Christmas dinner. Gifts were also exchanged.

Attending were Meses. Jay James, Florene Hudson, Ruth McElroy, Deima Hickman, Muriel Bishop, Vernelle Tankersley, Estelle Hawkins, Judy Anderson, Stella Carver, Mary Jo Lankford, Dorothy Hawley, Opal Hutchinson, Erma D. Posey, Wilma Whitford, Arnell Denton, and Lois Standlee.

# Gift Pets Need Medical Exam

Each year at Christmas, birthdays or other special occasions, thousands of pets are given as special gifts. Many of these pets, unfortunately, will die because of improper care or disease because the new owner is unaware of the need for an immediate examination of his pet by a veterinarian.

The Texas Veterinary Medical Association says that early examination of a puppy, kitten, bird or other pet provides the opportunity to determine the exact health status and physical condition of the pet and to make suggestions to the owner concerning proper diet, vaccinations against infectious diseases and general care. The first trip to a veterinarian will help assure optimal health at minimal expense. TVMA spokesmen say, and this early health precaution may avoid the heartbreak of loss of a new pet.

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Hoge, and Mrs. Ernie Wilson. The next meeting will be Tuesday, January 9 in the home of Mrs. H. E. Wall. Co-hostesses will be Mrs. R. F. Cornett and Mrs. John Crownover. Mrs. Bertha Perry will conduct a class in corsage making, and Mrs. Phil Dudney will speak on "Arbor Day in Texas."

# THE FAMILY LAWYER



## Hush Money

Two policemen, armed with a search warrant, discovered a cache of narcotics in Eddie's basement.

Eddie forced a smile. "Tell you what," he said blithely. "I'll give you guys \$500 each if you'll get rid of this stuff for me and forget the whole thing."

Result: Eddie was arrested not only for a narcotics violation but also for offering a bribe.

At the trial, he protested: "I was only joking about the money. I never expected these policemen to take me seriously."

Nevertheless, he was found guilty as charged. The court said that behind his jocular manner, the criminal purpose was all too evident.

No particular words or acts are necessary to constitute the crime of bribery, so long as the message is clear.

Nor is it even necessary that the bribe take the form of money. What matters is that, whatever its form, the bribe have sufficient value to the recipient to influence his conduct.

Thus, in one case, the bribe consisted of an extra discount on a new car, allowed by a car dealer to a city official. In another case, the bribe consisted of a young woman's

amorous favors. In both cases the bribe was considered the equivalent, in the law's eyes, of a simple payoff in cash.

Traditionally the crime of bribery has involved only public officials. The law's historical purpose has been to safeguard the processes of government from corruption.

But in recent years, most states have enacted statutes extending this principle to the field of sports.

Under one such statute, a man was accused of trying to bribe a college football player. In court, the defendant argued that bribery, by its very nature, can apply only to public officials.

However, the court found him guilty. The judge said the same moral standard could be demanded of athletes too, because their "duty to perform with honesty and integrity is analogous to the duty imposed upon persons holding public office."

A public service feature of the American Bar Association and the State Bar of Texas. Written by Will Bernard.

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### Disabled May Be Entitled To S. S. Benefits

People who rely solely on information from friends and

neighbors about social security are being short-changed because they are paying for more reliable information, Edwin Draughton, manager of social security at Vernon noted.

The doors of the social security office swing wide and the people in the office are ready to assist all who walk in, Mr.

Draughton said. Social Security is your program and the Vernon office employees want to see you get your money's worth.

He added that no one should hesitate to ask for information about his rights and responsibilities, and pointed out that many people understand one part of the law but do not understand some other part which may be just as important to them.

For example, most people come to the social security office to complete their application for benefits when they are about to retire, but many are not aware that a telephone call ahead of time asking what to bring with them may save an extra trip.

Most people know that if they are permanently and totally disabled they may qualify for disability benefits, but many do not know that a disabled person may not qualify for disability benefits if his disability is expected to last 12 months.

Those who know that widows and minor children receive monthly benefits if the "breadwinner" dies, may not know that dependent parents can also receive monthly benefits.

It is common knowledge that people over 65 are eligible for medicare, but many people do not know that they need to sign up 2 or 3 months before they are 65 to become eligible for the supplemental medical insurance as early as possible.

It has been published that 91 percent of those over 65 signed up for the doctor bill insurance but do the other 9 percent know that they will have another opportunity to sign up in October, November, and December of this year?

Mr. Draughton said whether you come in with a bundle of



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The Knox County Herald is authorized to announce the following candidates for office in Knox County subject to action of the Democratic Primaries in 1968:

For District Attorney: CLYDE WHITESIDE (Re-election) 2nd term

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Old Benjamin City Hall For Sale. Bids will be received at the City Hall in Benjamin, Texas, until 6 p.m. on January 4, 1968, on Old City Hall Building. City of Benjamin reserves right to reject any or all bids. Bid forms and requirements may be secured from: W. M. Hertel, City Secretary 12-7-14-28 tc

## CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express our deepest appreciation to everyone for their many kindnesses during the death of our loved one, Mrs. Ida Page.

We would like to thank the women who prepared and served the food, and also Smith Funeral Home, Rev. Floyd Bailey and Mrs. Nettie Wilcox for the nice service.

## CARD OF THANKS

We would like to take this means of expressing our appreciation to those who have been so kind and considerate the past few weeks to our husband and father, Ernest Hughes, and a special thanks to those who sat with him Saturday night.

Mrs. Ernest Hughes  
Sonny Hughes and Family  
ltp.

doctor bills for assistance in completing a claim for reimbursement, or inquiring about a lost social security card, you will receive helpful service from the employees of the social security office. The office is located at 1728 Fannin and is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. on week days and from 10 a.m. until 12 noon on Saturday. For the convenience of those who can't come in during the week, a representative from the Vernon office visits other towns in the 5 county area regularly for the convenience of area residents.



"What this country needs is an alarm clock that rings when you are ready to get up."—Harold S. May, Editor, Florence (Ala.) Herald

"Adolescence—The time when a boy stops collecting stamps and starts playing post office."—Lee R. Call, Editor, Afton (Wyo.) Star Valley Independent.

"The day isn't far off when you won't be able to support your family and the government both—not if the present rate of tax increases continues."—Harold P. Beason, Smith County (Kan.) Pioneer.

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**NOTICE OF ELECTION**  
An election will be held on January 9, 1968, at the Courthouse Assembly Room in Benjamin, Texas, for the purpose of electing 2 directors to the Board of Directors of the Knox County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1.  
Election Judge will be Mrs. Clodell Duke and Mrs. Grace Snallum as Assistant Judge.

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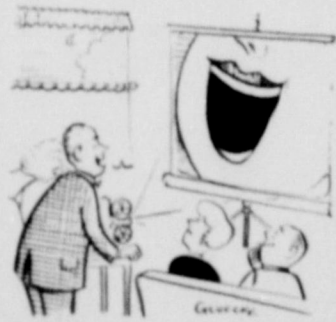
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## Streams In Desert Places

BY OZELLE STEPHENS

Once more it is Christmas. The great season to remember and enjoy the birth of Jesus. The Christian world gives out of a heart of love, so to express ourselves in the way which our wonderful Savior most freely expressed in His life. God gave to man the greatest gift ever given, Jesus, and He in turn gave all He had — His life. Not only did He give His body on the cross but He gave all His life on earth in loving service to His fellowmen. For us to neglect to give ourselves as did Christ is to reject Him. We cannot afford to do that for He is the only One who is able to present us faultless before the presence of our Maker in that day.

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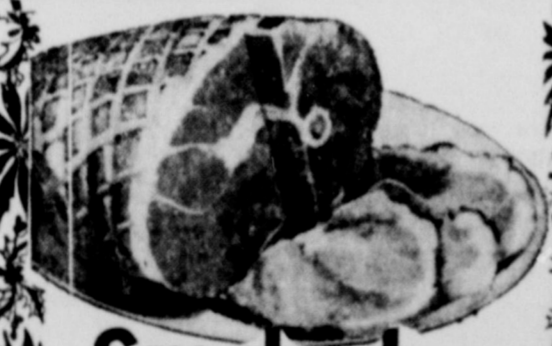
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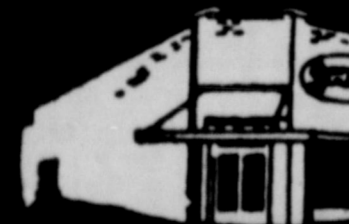


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## Senior News

**BY VELVET VERHALEN**  
On December 2, some of the Seniors went to Seymour or Abilene to take their ACT or SAT college entrance exams. Saturday before last, most of the Seniors went to Haskell to have their pictures made at Blohm's Studio. Last week the Senior girls took the annual Betty Crocker test. The test included questions concerning social problems, common sense, and a wide variety of other questions. The girl with the highest grade in Knox City will receive an award and will compete at a higher level if her grade is high enough. Wednesday is the last day of school this year!

## Junior News

**BY ANN HOGE**  
Last week the Juniors and Seniors talked with the school counselor about their plans for the future. Monday morning the Juniors met to have a short class meeting. This meeting was called to decide on a Christmas party and a money-making project. It was decided to have a Christmas party at Carla Shelton's house Wednesday night, December 20, at 8:00 p.m. The Juniors are having a bake sale today, (Thursday). Stands will be set up at the Post Office, M System Super Market, and Hoge's Pharmacy. The bake sale will begin at 8:00 a.m. The Junior Class would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy Hang-Over!

## Sophomore News

**BY LOU ANN MCGAUGHEY**  
Well, this is the last week of school till next year. Everyone had a slippery time trying to walk on the ice that covered everything Friday and Saturday. The Knox City basketball tournament was called off because of the ice on the roads. I suppose we will have to roll up our signs and save them till next year. Velvet Verhalen was chosen football sweetheart by the football team. Congratulations! The first district basketball games begin this week. Let's all help support our teams! See ya next year. Merry Christmas!

## FTA News

**BY MARGARET HOWELL**  
The Knox City Future Teachers of America held their Christmas Party, Wednesday night in the home of Mrs. Ottis Cash, sponsor. The group sang Christmas carols and exchanged gifts. They presented Mrs. Cash a beautiful glass set and pitcher, salad bowl, cake plate, and paper weight. Refreshments were served by Karen Clonts, Joe Barnard, Mary Beth Anderson, Gayle Campbell, and Gwen Angle.

## Houndette News

**BY DONNA RAILSBACK**  
Last Thursday, December 14, the Houndettes defeated Throckmorton 57-15. The following night the Houndettes were scheduled to play Rule, but due to the severe weather

the tournament was cancelled. Tomorrow night district play begins, as Knox City takes on Throckmorton at Throckmorton. Thursday, December 21, the Hounds and Houndettes will play Holiday here. EVERYONE PLEASE COME AND SUPPORT YOUR TEAMS!!

## Not Many Wanted To Vote

**BY THE CIVICS CLASS**  
The main discussion topic in our Civics class lately has been the voting privilege. We have learned that the most cherished right a citizen has is the right to vote.

We have discussed the qualifications of voters - Citizenship, Residence, and Age.

In Saturday's election in Knox City only about one hundred and fifty voters took part. We know that the weather was bad, but we saw at least that many around town that day. The only way a citizen can have a voice in the government is to vote. Don't you care how your local government is run? Are you indifferent?

If you older people don't exercise this right, why don't you see to it that the voting age is lowered to eighteen. When a boy reaches the ripe old age of eighteen, he can be drafted to fight for his country, but he still can't vote for or against the people who put him there.

Many of the Civics class would be proud to have the right to vote and would exercise it more than a lot of eligible voters in this town do. To put it more clearly, "IF YOU ALL WON'T, WE WILL!"

## Sports News

**BY JOE REEDER**  
The Knox City Tournament started on Thursday and ended on Thursday. The tournament was cancelled due to the bad weather. The Greyhounds lost by twenty-four points to Throckmorton. The teams entered were Knox City, Munday, Rule, and Throckmorton.

This week the Greyhounds will play Throckmorton and Holiday. These games will start district play. The Throckmorton game will be played Tuesday night at Throckmorton. The Holiday game will be played Thursday night at Knox City, starting at 7:00 p.m. Please come and give your support.

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## Christmas Plants Prove Poisonous

A sprig of mistletoe tacked above the doorway at Christmastime is a good excuse for stealing a kiss, the Texas Safety Association noted today, but warned homemakers that there's a potential danger in having mistletoe and some other Christmas plants around the home.

Although it is not commonly known, the waxy-white, sticky mistletoe berry is highly poisonous and fatal if swallowed, the Safety Association pointed out. Adults as well as children have died from tasting these harmless-looking berries.

But mistletoe is not the only poisonous Christmas plant. The leaves of the poinsettia can also be deadly if eaten and one leaf can be enough to kill a child. Yew branches, too, can be lethal if either the berries or foliage is eaten.

Placing mistletoe overhead is probably the safest place in the house for it, the safety group advised. However, homemakers should keep a check for berries dropping to the floor which could be picked up and eaten by small children. Place other poisonous Christmas plants out of the reach of children and warn other members of the household of their hazards.

If someone should swallow parts of a dangerous plant, call a physician immediately or contact the nearest poison control center. It is not always advisable to induce vomiting, because some plants contain corrosive juices that could severely damage tissue of the digestive tract during vomiting.

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One of America's leading beauty planners gives us the answer to why so many of us never seem to arrive at "beauty confidence" about ourselves. She says we try this and that in makeup, and waste much money on experimenting when there is a sure way to know what are the best color tones for ourselves. Shy she: start with your hair-color, and when you change your hair-color, know that you must change everything else, lipstick shades, powder, eye make-up, clothes colors, everything. Never, she says, start from anything but your hair color.

## PICTURE THIS!



YOUR CHILDREN IN PHOTO-GREETING CARDS

You're looking for exactly the right snapshot to put on your photo-greeting cards this year. So you hang up the mistletoe, drop a film cartridge into your camera, snap in a flashcube - and wait.

Soon a pretty girl in her best dress (what a coincidence!) appears under the mistletoe, and - click - you have a picture. And if the mistletoe and the pretty girl evoke some brotherly approval in the form of a kiss - click, quick. You have a masterpiece.

Now, before the Christmas rush starts, is the time to get your photo-greetings in the works. Your photo dealer has in stock the latest designs in the smart Trim-Line and Slim-Line cards on which to print your negative or slide. He also has a variety of greeting card folders with windows in which your snapshots can be inserted.

The choice of greetings ranges from "Peace on Earth," to "Merry Christmas - Happy New Year." And of course, the picture possibilities are endless, depending mostly on props and planning.

For example, you could show a child holding a Christmas wreath with her face showing

in the center, children singing from a book of carols, helping mother bake Christmas cookies, or wrapping Christmas packages. Or you could use a snapshot of your home, one you took on the family vacation, or - for that matter - any favorite picture.

If your choice is photographing the children, try to get them in front of a simple background. Something easy to use, like the Kodak Instamatic 104 camera our little photographer holds, has drop-in loading and takes flashcubes, permitting four flash pictures without a change of bulbs. And that frees you to concentrate on your subject rather than the mechanics of picture-taking. (The camera also makes a dandy Christmas gift.)

Get as close to the subject as possible - about four feet with this camera. Be ready to catch fleeting expressions that don't wait for "another shot." Take lots of pictures so you'll have a good selection. And be sure to use color film.

The result will be greeting cards of the most delightful and personal type. Recipients will cherish your handiwork long after Christmas 1967 is gone.

## Use Caution To Combat All Holiday Tragedies Urges DPS

Behind that split second decision just before every automobile accident, there usually is a history of minutes and hours of bad driving practices.

To combat the upcoming holiday tragedies on Texas highways, and for the convenience and safety of Texas motorists, Captain C. L. Russell, who commands the Texas Highway Patrol in the Lubbock District, says he will press into service every man and patrol unit over the holidays.

"Youngsters and grownups alike know and attempt to preserve the legend of the most special time of the year, 'Christmas.' It is a most colorful holiday, shared by all. Yet, to many persons, the season has become a nightmare of unhappy, tragic statistics," Captain Russell said.

"If we could, by some miracle, reach every person in Texas, and with that same miracle, provide an extra ounce of caution, then truly this would be a happy occasion," the captain added.

Perhaps it is the very nature of the holiday that helps to make it the most dangerous for

drivers and pedestrians. Last year 351 persons lost their lives in Texas in motor vehicle accidents during the month of December. No other month exceeded this astounding useless loss of lives on our streets and highways. "This was a sad holiday, indeed, for those families, and for the thousands more who celebrated Christmas on crutches, in wheel chairs, or from a hospital bed," Russell stated.

In speaking for the Texas Department of Public Safety, Captain Russell says, "Have a happy holiday season and drive safely so that others may live."



Roadside crossings, like forest fires, can be extremely dangerous with death and heavy property damage resulting, but only for the careless, as has been repeatedly shown by official investigations.

## Accident Prone Hunters Lack Common Sense

Hunters are proving with deadly regularity that they can be just as dangerous to themselves and others as to the game they seek, according to Robert G. Mauer, deputy director of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

There have been 72 gun accidents involving hunters since January 1, 1967. Of these, 15 were fatal, and nine fatalities involved persons eighteen years old and under.

Without exception, each hunting accident was the result of a breach of common sense. The recent shooting of a skin diver by a duckhunter who mistook him for an alligator, as reported by news media, is a tragic example of carelessness which brings so much misery to so many people. The victim was a participant of a gar fishing rodeo and had put out flags designating that a skin diver was in the area.

An interesting sidelight to this case is that alligators are protected in the county in which the tragedy occurred. Another accident involved a hunter who shot and killed what he believed to be a deer in the fog. It turned out to be his hunting companion.

A 12-year-old boy was killed when his gun discharged while he pulled it into a tree by a piece of string. His father had loaded the gun, pumped a shell into the chamber, and had tied a gun to the string just prior to the accident.

Thirty-four of the 72 gun shot wounds were accidentally self-inflicted.

A 34-year-old man was killed while hunting rabbits from an automobile. The loaded gun which he was carrying between his knees and pointing toward his face discharged for some unknown reason.

Eight of the 34 self-inflicted wounds involved either removing, replacing, or riding with a loaded gun in a vehicle.

One 16-year-old boy was killed when he extended the stock of his .22 cal. rifle to a companion stuck in a bog.

Some victims of hunting accidents are non-hunters.

An eight-year-old boy ran outside to see what was hitting his house and was shot by another eight-year-old with a .22 cal. rifle.

A little league baseball coach was shot during a practice session by a 12-year-old boy who was hunting rabbits with a pistol. The boy said he had shot at the ground. The bullet traveled one-quarter mile before it hit the coach.

A five-year-old Le Porte girl was shot in the back by an unknown person while on a nature hike with her father and two brothers.

WEST TEXAS WHITETAIL HUNTING REMAINS GOOD  
Despite wind and unseasonably warm temperatures a good number of West Texas hunters are bringing in impressive white-tailed deer, says the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Chilly mornings quickly turn to shirt-sleeve hunting by noon most days, and hunters are quick to note the reduction of deer movement in such weather. Early morning and late after-

noon remain the movement times, with just a scattering of kills being reported by hunters who walk-up their game.

While antler size in the white-tail isn't spectacular this year, the animals are in good physical condition and the 100-pound buck isn't rare at all. Most locker plants are not crowded for space, but are getting enough deer to show that the season is a good one. Some hunters are waiting for colder weather before going afield.

## Season To Plant Trees

Cold, blue northers and falling leaves signal the winter season in Texas and also mark the season to plant trees.

From mid-December till March 1, tree seedlings will be enroute from the state's Indian Mound Nursery, near Alto, to tree planters throughout Texas.

Windbreak and fast-growing Southern yellow pine tree seedlings are still available for reforestation, windbreaks and erosion control; none are sold for ornamental purposes or for resale.

Windbreak seedlings sell for \$1.50 per hundred plus sales tax and are shipped postage paid. Regular loblolly pine seedlings, for reforestation plantings, are sold for \$6 per thousand trees plus tax; special seed production area loblolly pines are a dollar more and both are F. O. B. the nursery.

Seedling applications are available from county agricultural agents, Soil Conserva-

tion District offices or the Texas Forest Service, College Station.

## File Schedule B With Form 1040

File a Schedule B with your Form 1040 if you had retirement income in 1967. This was the advice given today to Northern Texas taxpayers by IRS District Director Ellis Campbell, Jr.

Mr. Campbell pointed out that instructions you need to file Schedule B are on the schedule itself. Schedule B is also used to report income from rents, royalties, partnerships, estates and trusts.

Taxpayers should not count on receiving all the federal tax forms they need in the mailing they received in January. It is impossible for IRS to know in advance which forms and schedules a taxpayer may need.

If you find you need a form you do not have, check with your local bank, post office, or nearest IRS office.



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## When Santa Came To Knox City



SANTA WAS BROUGHT FROM THE AIRPORT MONDAY AFTERNOON to be greeted by many smiling faces. Boy Scouts were on hand to assist Santa in his annual visit to the area children.



KEITH PETTY, son of the Rev. and Mrs. Gerald Petty, is shown here telling ol' Santa what a good boy he has been.



RIGHT THIS WAY! Children (and parents) line up to get a chance to talk with Santa Claus and tell him just what they would like to get for Christmas.



SANTA continues to hear the wants and wishes of all. Treats of candy, fruit, and nuts were given each child by Mr. Claus.



THOSE WONDERFUL SCOUTS! The Chamber of Commerce just couldn't handle the crowd each year for Santa's visit without the good help of these Boy Scouts. Shown here first row, left, are Don Ray, Randy Egenbacher, David McGaughey, Leslie Fitzgerald and Rob Harrison. Back row, left, Lanny Cypert, Greg Clonts, Kenny Taylor, Dean Bouldin, and Kenny Taylor.



THE KCHS Band, directed by Norman Arnett, entertained the crowd with a number of beautiful Christmas carols while awaiting the visit from Santa.

bait that could make biological or sterilization control of boll weevils practical have been reported by Dr. Theodore B. Davich of the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Research Service.

The bait contains an attractant and feeding stimulant taken from two natural cotton sources—crude, unrefined cottonseed oil and finely ground, dry cottonseed. In addition, it contains a disease organism which when added is fatal only to the weevils and certain other insects.

The winter cotton breeding project at Iguala, Mexico has played an important part in the development of the bait. A half-acre screening cage has been in use at the Iguala station since 1965. This enables scientists to carry on the experiment even while the U. S. Cotton Belt is experiencing its winter months.

In one series of experiments at the Boll Weevil Laboratory at State College, Mississippi, the scientists reduced weevil infestations by 50 percent and increased cotton yields by the same percentage on plots

## 1,500 Jobs Available At W. Fair

The fun and excitement of employment at a World's Fair is available to more than 1,500 young Texans.

B. F. Agee, manager of personnel for HemisFair 1968, has announced that a statewide recruiting program has started to hire at least that many young persons for employment from March 15 to October 6, 1968.

Agee is working with Texas Employment Commission offices throughout the state to find accountants, ticket sellers, ticket takers, hostesses, security guards, maintenance personnel, secretaries, general clerical help, writers, guides, ushers and parking lot attendants.

Another 1,500 employees are being sought by restaurants, concession stands and exhibition halls on the 92.6-acre site of the international exposition.

Texas Employment Commission offices in all parts of the state will accept applications for HemisFair work, and forward them to Agee. TEC applicants also will be available for consideration by exhibitors, concessionaires and restaurateurs who are hiring their own help.

"Since the goal of HemisFair is to be the best international exhibition ever held," Agee said, "we will need people who are young in heart and spirit, energetic, not afraid of hard work and who enjoy being of service."

The need now is for workers who can work from March 15 to October 6, 1968. The program has not yet been worked for college students seeking employment for only the summer months, Agee said.

Applicants seeking employment from March 15 to October 6 should apply at their Texas Employment Commission now. They should be 18 years of age, bondable, have a high school education or equivalent experience, be neat, have a pleasant personality, be of good character and be physically fit.

The exception is for work as HemisFair's official hostesses and guides. These must be between 20 and 30 years of age and be bilingual and must have had previous experience in dealing with the public.

Agee said there will be at least two shifts of workers, since the exhibition halls open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and the fair grounds are open from 9 a.m. to midnight.

## GINGER ROGERS IN "HELLO DOLLY" AT MUSIC HALL IN DALLAS DEC. 26-30



Ginger Rogers, eternally young and always amazing, will bring her entertaining talent to Dallas Dec. 26-30 in Broadway's smash hit "Hello Dolly." The State Fair Music Hall in Dallas will be one of the few places in which producer David Merrick will present Miss Rogers, who has starred in the famed musical in New York and comes to Dallas direct from Las Vegas and the West Coast. Tickets may be obtained by writing to the State Fair Box Office at Titcher's, P. O. Box 895, Dallas, Texas 75201.

## Witnesses Plan Special Week Of Activities

Jehovah's Witnesses from Haskell, Rule, Rochester, Munday and Stamford are planning a special week of activity, January 2-7, when Circuit Supervisor Robert N. White visits the local congregation.

Mr. White, accompanied by his wife, Ruth, travels a circuit of 13 congregations and 3 isolated groups in central and eastern Arkansas and Texas.

According to Mr. Short, Presiding Minister of the Haskell congregation, the purpose of the week-long visit is to give practical assistance to each individual Witness in his personal Ministry. "It is a part of our Religion," Mr. Short said, "For each member to share in the house-to-house witnessing. Therefore we look forward to the 3 visits a year from our Circuit Supervisor."

Tuesday Evening at 7:30 a "Ministry School" which gives counsel in Bible teaching will

be held. Following this Mr. White is scheduled to address the congregation in a 30-minute discourse.

Wednesday through Sunday witnessing activities will be conducted from house to house in the above mentioned cities in which local members will be aided by Mr. White in their teaching technique.

The audience will share in the Saturday Evening program at 8 p.m. when "New Things Learned" are discussed. Scriptural admonition will then be offered by White in a 30-minute talk on Improving Personal Ministry.

The climax of the week's activities will be a public Address Sunday at 4 p.m. when White discusses, "Science the Bible and Your Faith." Final remarks to the Congregation will bring the program to a conclusion.

All interested persons are invited to attend the meetings which will be held at Kingdom Hall, 1413 N. Ave -J-, Haskell, Texas. No collections are ever taken.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

## Farm And Ranch News

By Herman Collier

SWINE SHORT COURSE  
JANUARY 10-11

Dr. Donald B. Hudman, Animal Husbandman (Swine Specialist)

is to conduct a swine short course in Knox County Wednesday and Thursday, January 10-11. The time and place will be announced later.

This short course was scheduled through the Livestock Committee of the County Program Building Committee. All swine producers and other interested persons are invited to attend.

### WEST TEXAS VEGETABLE GROWERS CONFERENCE

The West Texas Vegetable Growers Council Announced their Sixth Annual Vegetable Conference to be held January 9 in Hereford, Texas.

The program will include subject pertinent to Vegetable production and Marketing. Some of the speakers are Dr. Frank E. Robinson, University of California; Dr. John E. Larsen, Extension Horticulturist-Vegetables, Texas A&M University; Mr. Leon Sturgeon, Consumer and Marketing Service, Fort Worth. Also, Dr. Robert E. Berry Area Plant Pathologist, Texas A&M University; Professor Robert R. Reed, Assistant Horticulturist, Texas Technological College; and Dr. Jack H. Kyle, Assistant Horticulturist, Texas A&M University.

### MOISTURE BENEFICIAL TO SMALL GRAIN

The moisture received in the form of sleet, now or rain December 14-16 would be very beneficial to small grain in Knox County. Amounts of precipitation were considered in the area of .7 inch and was needed on the grain fields.

### LIVESTOCK LICE CONTROL

Farmers and ranchers in Knox County should be on the lookout for the annual invasion of lice on their livestock. These pests will reduce profits and increase feed bills unless they are controlled.

The county agent suggests that livestock producers come by his office for a copy of MP-691, "Texas Guide for Controlling External Parasites of Livestock and Poultry."

The publication, he adds, is "chuck-full" of information on insecticide formulations and how to use them in controlling lice, flies, mites, tick, fleas, cattle grubs and others. It contains a dilution chart for mixing sprays and dips and outlines control programs for beef cattle, nonlactating dairy cattle, sheep and goats, swine, horses and poultry.

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which were protected with the treated bait.

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The work at State College and Iguala is part of the Councils total research effort and is partly supported with funds from the Foundation for Cotton Research and Education.

## My Neighbors



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### Benjamin Favorites



SENIOR FAVORITES — Jan Barton and Jerry Leaverton have been chosen Senior favorites from Benjamin High School for this year. Jan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Barton and Jerry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Leaverton, both of Benjamin.



JUNIOR FAVORITES are Wyman Meinzer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pate Meinzer and Dara Gore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Gore.



FRESHMAN FAVORITES are Judy Ryder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ryder and Donnie Roberts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Roberts.

NOT PICTURED are Sophomore Favorites LaNay Patterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. La Mon Patterson and Mike Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dutch Young. Their pictures were not available.

### "Melanie Meddles"

By Melanie Whitley

Christmas is a day you look forward to for so long, that when it does arrive, nobody quite believes it. All the meanings of Christmas can't be packed into one day. Christmas is a spirit, it's a feeling, a song, a cold blast, a quiet night, a church service, a tiny baby, an old friend. The hustle and bustle that we sometimes complain about are a necessary part of Christmas. Christmas is a mailbox full of cards, a box of new ornaments, a neighbor's fruitcake reeking of rum flavoring; it's a tree in the playpen, safe from babies. It's a time when those babies try eating the shiny glass ornaments. It's the kind words usually overlooked or calling on friends where you've meant to stop for a long time.

And to the child, Christmas is the wonderful waiting and painful penning of letters. It is the time of reading "The Night Before Christmas", learning to love Rudolph and Jingle Bells. It's the wonder of the manger and the story of Jesus and the people and the animals who loved Him.

Christmas is the crash when children learn that Santa is not. And the disbelief. And anger because they were fooled. For years Christmas will not mean as much.

Next are the years when children trade their requests of toys for clothes and cars. When they trade in childhood for the glorious, scary time of teenagehood.

The best Christmases of all are the ones when each person realizes that the hold day is not for just his pleasure, but instead for him to please others. To give of himself. To give. This is the secret of Christmas. When a person is reminded ever so gently to think of others, to give as the wise men gave, to give as the drummer boy gave, as poor parents give all of Christmas to their children.

Parents know the true joy of Christmas by watching as their children's faces reflect the delight and mystery of the season. There is no question of whether or not to continue the tale of Santa Claus; the children love him, they want to believe that the jolly man will reward and surprise them,

and so the magic circle of Christmas goes on and on. Christmas is the family gathered around the dinner table, smiling across a twinkling birthday cake, singing, "Happy Birthday, baby Jesus, happy birthday to you."

Christmas is many things. It will be one distinct feeling, different for each of you. At some time during the holidays, some gesture or gift or word will touch you, and you will stop and think, "This is what Christmas means to me."

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Texas produced 9% of world oil in 1966; 12% in 1960; 22% in 1950.

### Safety Council Seeks A Rural Hero For Award

An award for an outstanding act of heroism performed this year will be presented to a Texas resident of a rural community, it was announced today by the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council.

Robert (Bob) Walsh, Fort Worth, Chairman, Awards Committee, said the Council is seeking nominations for its Rural Heroism Award which is presented each year to a youngster or adult who resides in a rural area of Texas, or a town of less than 2,500 population.

"This person may have saved someone from drowning, from a burning building, or from some

other dangerous situation," Mr. Walsh said. "But, whatever the deed and whoever performed it, we would like to know about it so that the individual involved may be considered for this award."

A plaque will be presented to the winner of the Rural Heroism Award March 18, 1968 at the 29th Annual Texas Safety Conference in Dallas.

Anyone wishing to nominate an individual may do so by submitting a letter telling of the heroic deed. All details, including the full names of all persons involved, and any news clippings that may be available, should be submitted.

Entries should be mailed before Friday, March 1, 1968 to Rural Heroism Award, c/o Mr. Robert (Bob) Walsh, WBAP, P. O. Box 1780, Fort Worth, Texas 76101.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

### Winter Carpet Damage Cited

Restless children, slippery streets and bad colds aren't the only harvest of snow and slush in many areas of Texas during the winter months. The weather can cause serious and costly problems on rugs and carpets.

With winter months ahead, Jane Berry, area housing and home furnishings specialist with Texas A&M University suggests how the entire family can help adopting practices to protect the appearance of carpets and rugs.

Remove excess snow and slush immediately blotting the wet area with tissues or other absorbent materials. Then place a thick layer of tissues over the area and weight down for several hours. If the water is allowed to soak through to

the carpet backing, a brown stain which is almost impossible to remove may appear.

Salt and ashes which are spread on slippery sidewalks tracked on the carpet and embedded in the pile cause damage. Since salt attracts moisture, it may keep the carpeting damp and cause brown stains. If allowed to remain damp, mildewing may result, Mrs. Berry says.

Ashes are more harmful because they are usually alkaline and harmful to the carpet dyes. Use scatter rugs at all entrances, vacuum frequently, and reduce damage on your rugs. To prevent permanent damage, rugs and carpet should be thoroughly cleaned as soon as possible after soiling.

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Texas produced 1,073,295,000 barrels of crude oil in 1966; 35.3% of U.S.



# MERRY CHRISTMAS

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## County Leaders Attend RP Economic Kick-Off Program

BY HERMAN COLLIER

A group of 18 Knox County men and women returned home November 28 and 29 from Seymour or Paducah excited about the very real possibilities of doubling farm and ranch income within the county.

The 18 agricultural leaders were in Seymour and Paducah to help scores of other area leaders kick off the brand new and massive Rolling Plains Economic Program (RPEP).

Goal of the broadly based program is the same for the other 27 counties comprising the Texas Rolling Plains as it is for Knox County: to double, within the foreseeable future, farm and ranch income.

RPEP sets forth the means and ways for taking advantage of the possibilities which do seem indeed to exist for increasing the annual area agricultural income from about \$220 million to more than \$400 million.

Initiated in September 1966 by officials in the College of Agriculture at Texas A&M University (at the request of and in cooperation with area leaders), the written Rolling Plains Economic Program is a 200-page document prepared by Norman Brints of Vernon, area specialist in farm management with the A&M Agricultural Extension Service.

A similar meeting for other area counties was held at Abilene and Rotan, November 20 and 21. Meetings are scheduled later, however, on the county level.

Among the several speakers

Collin County alone, farm income in 1961 was \$18 million. BIG is much credited for the \$25 million income there last year.)

First draft of the written Rolling Plains Economic Program (500 pages) was presented last July to a committee representing the 28 counties involved. Its approval at that time was unanimous.

Those persons at the July meeting represented the 28 individual county program building committees and the government, agribusinesses, education and industry in the counties.

The meeting in Seymour and Paducah was the third and fourth in the area during which leaders from various counties other than Knox County made plans for presenting RPEP to their fellow citizens.

In his briefing, Brints told the county representatives that "The economic growth of agriculture in your Rolling Plains depends on the efficient use which you make of agricultural resources and the very speed with which new and improved technology is adopted."

Brints emphasized that "The greatest return on investment goes to those who change first. And, agriculture in the Rolling Plains is indeed changing. Farms are larger, but fewer. Requirements per farm in both the areas of capital and management are increasing.

"If the agricultural industry in the Rolling Plains is to grow, every (with emphasis) effort must point toward conservation and the efficient use of all resources in the area.

"This Rolling Plains Economic Program and the guidelines therein can well be the beginning of a renewed effort to adopt the advanced technology in production, in marketing, in conservation, in precision management."

The potential increase of more than \$200 million annually - where will it come from for the farmers and ranchers in Knox County as well as in the 27 other counties?

In his report, Brints defined the sources of the potential increase as follows:

- Increased use of the rainfall on cultivated acres for livestock and crop production (by reducing runoff, evaporation, undesirable plants): \$25 million.
- Timely and accurate application of the irrigation water on 130,000 acres: \$1.5 million.
- Expanded use of latest technology in brush control and deferred grazing in beef production: \$10 million.
- Adoption of the best-known production techniques for increasing crop yields, improving crop quality, reducing crop costs: \$30 million.
- Improved organization of farms and ranches for the maximum use of land, labor, capital and management: \$7 million.
- Increased processing and manufacturing of those agricultural products in the 28 counties: \$120 million.
- Effective planning of estates and management of the income tax: \$7 million.
- Development of commercial outdoor recreation such as hunting, fishing, and camping: \$3 million.
- Increased production of cattle, swine and sheep on the crop farms: \$6 million.

At the meeting, representa-

at Seymour and Paducah was John E. Hutchinson of College Station, director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Among his remarks:

"Your approach on an area basis in trying to increase agricultural income is sound because it provides those guidelines for achieving the potential of the entire Rolling Plains, guidelines which, by the way, can be followed by all organizations, agencies, groups and individuals within the framework of their operations."

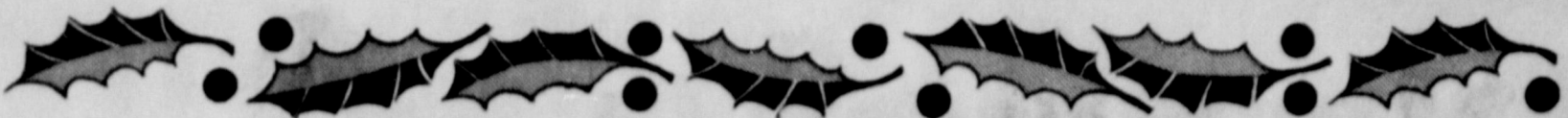
"Your area approach also has the effect of coordinating the efforts of everyone who is supporting those objectives which have been established by the people themselves."

Persons from Knox County at one of the kick-off meetings were the following:

Kenneth Baker, Joe Boone, Stanton Brown, Sam E. Clonts, Mrs. Callie Ann Combs, Jack Idol, Dwight Key, Arche Lieb, W. R. Moore, Jr., A. D. Peebles, J. D. McNease, Clint J. Norman, Herbert Partridge, Floyd L. Reed, W. F. Shannon, Eugene Thompson, Gail K. Osborn, Herman H. Collier.

Programs similar in design and purpose to RPEP have been under way several years in other areas of the state: the Blackland Income Growth (BIG) program, the Build East Texas (BET) program, the Panhandle Economic Program (PEP).

(Example: In the area where BIG is now in its sixth year, farm income in 18 selected counties last year was up \$53.9 million from that of 1965. In



## Cotton Harvest Nears End; Crops Better Than Usual



The 1967 cotton crop in the Knox City area is almost history, as area gin managers report that from 90 to 95% of the harvest is complete.

This year's crop has proved to be much better than usual in the number of bales ginned, the quality of cotton, as well as the turnout. Due to the favorable weather, most irrigated cotton received only two waterings, and insect damage was kept to a minimum with an approximate average of three applications of insecticide.

In spot checking, dry land cotton averaged from 1/2 to 1 1/4 bales per acre, and irrigated cotton averaged from 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 bales per acre. Most all cotton that was planted skip row averaged out 1 1/2 bales.

Many area farmers have complied with the Rolling Plains Cotton Growers Association's request the past two years for a uniform planting date, and generally throughout the area, the cotton crops were planted from May 20 to June 1.

Harvest in this area each year is by mechanical strippers, while some use mechanical pickers.

A few farmers experimented this year with long-staple quality cotton, and according to reports, results were very good. Some of the area farmers re-

ceived as much as 40¢ per pound for the long staple cotton.

Most cotton farmers defoliated their crops rather than wait for a killing frost, as many times an extended wet or damp spell of weather will lower the grades on the cotton considerably.

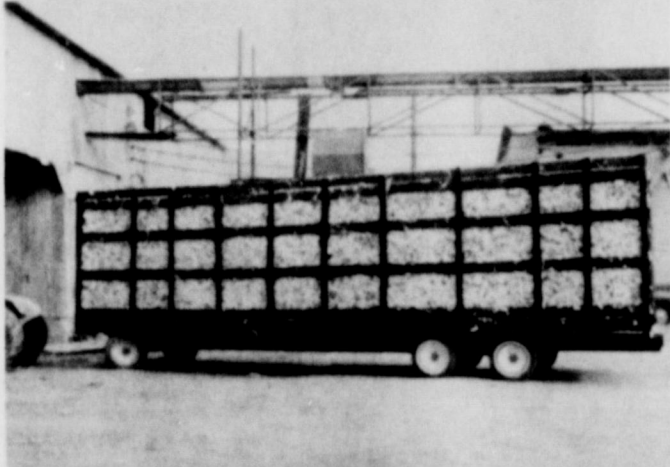
The 23 degree low here on December 3 combined with the open weather we are now having should finish up the remainder of the area cotton in a matter of a few days.

"There's consolation in the thought that if the Congress spends all its time in investigations there will be no chance to pass any more give-away laws." - Harold S. May, Editor, Florence (Ala.) Herald

"We may become the first country in history where welfare checks are delivered by the butler." - Bill Trimble, President, Little Valley (N.Y.)



IN THE FIELD pictured above, a 12-acre plot harvested 18 bales of cotton. E. E. Teaff owns the land and farms it himself. It is located two miles southwest of town. The stalks were knee-high and loaded. Mr. Teaff said the cotton was thin, only about a 2/3 stand, or it would have averaged out 2 bales per acre. This cotton was watered only twice and poisoned three times. It was planted May 20 and harvested November 18.



TO THE GIN - Trailers this size are common to area folk. This is a 6-bale capacity for picked cotton. Most trailers will carry from 2 to 3 bales of stripped cotton. The cotton pictured above belonged to J. G. Hawkins.



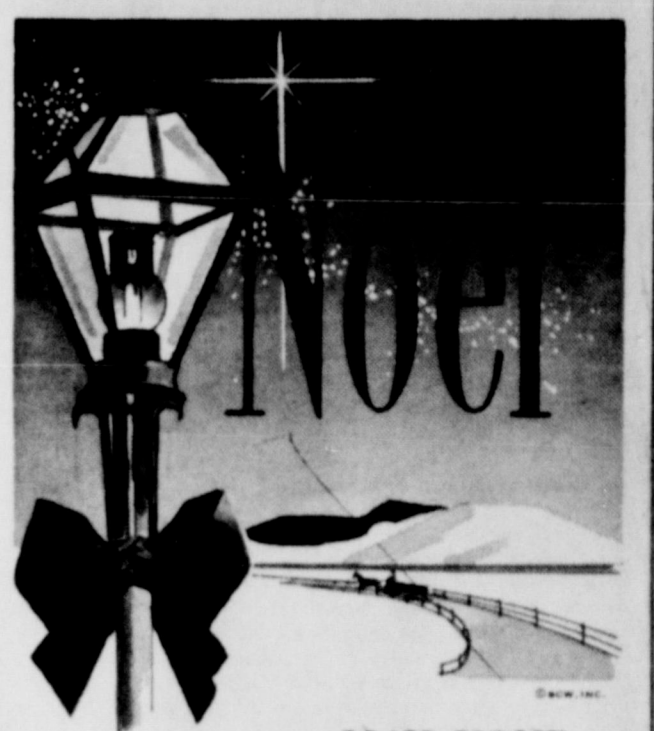
THE FINISHED BALE - (Gin laborer is not identified). After the cotton is ginned, it is taken to a compress within the area for a short period of time, and is kept here until it is sold or put into a government loan. (Above photos courtesy of Paul Hoge.)

Soil and Water Conservation Board, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, and the Texas Education Agency.

### My Neighbors



"Look, buster, don't pull that 'king of beasts' jazz on me!"



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Knox City, Texas

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Times have changed, but we think old-fashioned holiday greetings are still the best to give and receive!

WE WISH YOU AND YOURS A CHRISTMAS IN THE OLD-TIME SPIRIT!

**Hoge Pharmacy**

Paul & Polly Hoge

Alice Wilson      Mrs. Esco Love  
Mrs. Lee Lankford      Kenny Lawson

Knox City, Texas



# Letters To Santa

**Knox City, Texas**  
December 13, 1967

Dear Santa,  
My name is Tyke Meinzer and I am 3 years old. I've tried to be a good boy this year so would you please bring me a Firetruck and Race cars also some candy.  
Thanks a lot,  
Love you,  
Tyke Meinzer  
\*\*\*\*\*  
Abilene, Texas  
Dec. 13, 1967

**Knox City, Texas**  
December 4, 1967

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have tried to be good. For Christmas please bring me a BB Gun and a play rifle.  
Thank you.  
Love,  
Henry Rogers  
\*\*\*\*\*

**Knox City, Texas**  
December 4, 1967

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a talk ball and a bike for Christmas. I have been good to Mrs. Belew in school.  
Your friend,  
Laverne Martinez  
\*\*\*\*\*

**Knox City School**  
Grade 3  
Dec. 4, 1967

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have tried to be good. For Christmas, please bring me a B-B gun.  
Thank you.  
Love,  
Doug Ray  
\*\*\*\*\*  
Knox City, Texas  
December 6, 1967

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a good boy. For Christmas please bring some shoeshoes, BB gun, and a checked flag.  
Thank you.  
Love,  
David  
\*\*\*\*\*  
Knox City, Texas  
December 6, 1967

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have tried to be good. For Christmas please bring a doll.  
Love,  
Mary  
\*\*\*\*\*  
Knox City, Texas  
December 4, 1967

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a good girl. For Christmas please bring me a Majorette suit and two Liddle Kiddies. Thank you, Santa, for all that candy you brought last year. Please bring me some more this year.  
Love,  
Jan Lowrey  
\*\*\*\*\*  
Knox City, Texas  
December 4, 1967

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. For Christmas I want me a bicycle, B-B gun, radio and play Batman.  
Thank you.  
Love,  
Raymond  
\*\*\*\*\*

**Knox City, Texas**  
December 5, 1967

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a doll. And two pairs of shoes. And a red coat. And 9 red dresses. And 9 blue dresses.  
Sincerely,  
Linda Fojtik  
\*\*\*\*\*  
Knox City School  
Grade 3  
December 3, 1967

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a bike and an ironing board. I would like a doll. I have been a good girl all year.  
Sincerely,  
Rene Johnson  
\*\*\*\*\*  
Knox City, Texas  
December 6, 1967

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus,  
This is my first time to write and this is what I want for Christmas: a little brown puppy and a big doll and lots of candy for my brothers and sisters.  
Love,  
Brenda Sue Saenz  
\*\*\*\*\*  
Knox City School  
Grade 3  
December 4, 1967

Dear Santa,  
I would like three books; these are the titles: SEA STAR, BLACK GOLD, and ALL ABOUT DOGS. These are all books about horses and dogs. Then I would like four pairs of fish net hose: black, gold, white, and blue. That is all.  
Thank you,  
Sincerely yours,  
Lynn Larson  
\*\*\*\*\*

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**



## I Have A Secret, Santa!

*I have a secret. Santa!  
I knew you'd come today.  
I heard the neighbors tell each other.  
"Santa's on his way."  
"If little girls are good," they said.  
"Santa comes to call  
And brings with him a bag of toys  
That's sure to please them all."  
I heard you, Santa, on the roof  
With Dancer, Prancer and the others.  
"Let's check our list of girls," you said.  
"Who mind their dads and mothers."  
I have a secret, Santa.  
To whisper in your ear.  
I love this pony very much.  
I'm glad you left him here.  
Mommy takes my picture  
Riding him this way.  
She'll see again the fun we had  
This Merry Christmas Day!*

*Jeanne Cole*

## Christmas Trees Can Be Very Dangerous; Take Precautions

Christmas trees, whether old-style or new, can be dangerous, warns the Institute for Safer Living. Special precautions should be taken to insure a safe home during this hazardous holiday season, starting with the Yule tree. If you purchase a tree from the great outdoors, cut the trunk on a slant at least one inch above the original cut; place it in water immediately and keep the water level above the cut at all times. Don't bring it into the warm drying atmosphere of the house until Christmas. Use a water type base that is sufficiently large and heavy (with water) to keep the tree from toppling over. Set it up away from sources of heat and do not block the stairway or door with it. Remove the tree when the needles start to turn brown or start to fall - if not before. Use only sets of lights that have Underwriters' Laboratories approval, reports the Institute for Safer Living of the

American Mutual Liability Insurance Company. Only those artificial trees and decorations made of non-combustible materials can be considered fireproof. Be wary of fire retardant chemicals or other substances sold for fireproofing natural trees and decorations made of combustible materials. As for artificial trees, metallic trees should never be strung with electric lights. Remember, too, that a shorted electric circuit can be as potentially hazardous to artificial trees as it is to natural trees. The entire tree can become electrically charged if contact is made with a frayed wire or a poorly insulated socket. Plastic trees may also produce electric shocks when coated with metallic material. The Institute for Safer Living also advises that you know the electrical load of your Christmas decorations, both those on the tree and in other places in the house or outdoors. Do not

overload the circuits. Turn off lighting when leaving the house or going to bed. Make a special effort to avoid holiday hazards to insure a merry Christmas.

## Medicare Ins. Benefits Told

"You don't have to go into a hospital to benefit from Medicare," Edwin Draughon, Manager of the Vernon Office emphasized that point today in a statement concerning Hospital and Medical Insurance Benefits under Social Security. "Medicare has two parts," he said, "Hospital Insurance at no premium cost, and Supplementary Medical Insurance Benefits for which the beneficiary pays a monthly premium. Many people confuse the two and think you have to enter a hospital to benefit from the Supplementary Medical Insurance. This is not so," Mr. Draughon continued, "and people who have elected this coverage should be familiar with the benefits." "Medical and surgical services by a physician - whenever they are furnished (and this means in or out of a hospital) - are covered," he explained, "as well as services such as tests and supplies in connection with the doctor's treatment. In addition, X-Ray treatments, and such things as artificial limbs, or the rental of a wheel chair are among other things covered. Also, you don't have to be hospitalized to receive home health services that your doctor may order through an agency participating in Medicare." Mr. Draughon urged people who have medical treatment outside a hospital to submit their claims for whatever reimbursement may be due them. "A fifty dollar deductible has to be met and reimbursement is then made in the amount of eighty percent of the remainder. Your Social Security Office located at 1728 Fannin Street in Vernon will assist you in completing a claim - but don't assume you have to be hospitalized to collect reimbursement. Far from it, your monthly premiums cover many things that don't require hospitalization for a claim to be paid."

## Christmastime



## Thomas Shoe Shop

KNOX CITY, TEXAS



It's not easy to put our enormous gratitude or our heartfelt good wishes into a few words. Your friendship has been, and will always be, a source of pride to us. May every blessing and joy of the season be yours!

## Knox City Florist

KNOX CITY, TEXAS

Do your share for freedom  
SIGN UP FOR U.S. SAVINGS BONDS  
NEW FREEDOM SHARES

## Lowrey's Department Store

Knox City, Texas

# NOEL

Let us seek the Holy Infant, as the Wise Men did. We need not travel to Bethlehem...he is waiting in each heart.

## Jones Rexall Drug

KNOX CITY, TEXAS

## Season's Greetings

It's been a pleasure serving you ... we hope to serve you again!

### "Picture Moulding and Frames"

## George & Allene Beaty

MUNDAY, TEXAS

# Peace To you

May the true meaning of Christmas peace abide with you and yours always.



# Letters To Santa

Rt. 1 Box 14  
Knox City, Texas  
Dec. 9, 1967

Dear Santa,  
I am a little boy 4 years old, I think I have been a good boy. This is what I would like for you to bring me for Christmas, I would like a B. B. Gun, football suit and helmet some games, and plenty of candy. Please don't forget the other boys and girls.

Love ya,  
David Joe Flores  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little boy one and a half years old.

I've tried to be a good little boy, but sometimes it is hard to do.

Santa, for Christmas I want some guns, so I can be a cowboy. I want some trucks and a wagon. I also want a telephone so I can talk to all my friends.

Please Santa, remember all my little cousins and all the other little boys and girls.

There will be cake and milk on the table for you.

Your best friend,  
Jimmy Goode  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
Julie has been a very very good girl. Julie would like a

pretty baby doll you think she would like, incredible idables a card game or a game, like a Barbie game.

Also some Barbie dishes, I need them real bad.

Julie  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa  
I would like whatever you will bring me.

I would like some fruit and nuts also.

Please no not forget other boys and girls.

With Love,  
Cathy Posey  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I am a little boy four years old. Will you please bring me a cowboy hat and a cowboy gun and holster for Christmas? I would like some little toy cowboys and ponies, too. Please bring Wade and Jane what they want, and all the other boys and girls.

Your friend,  
Adam White  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a "playlike" camera, a Twist n' Turn Barbie Doll, and clothes. Lucky Locketts and a make-up purse. I would like to have some good booties if you have any. I think

Love,  
David Anderson  
\*\*\*\*\*

I have been good, I love you, and please don't forget Sheila.

Simone Cobb  
P. S. How are your reindeer?  
\*\*\*\*\*

Beverley Tolson  
Box 303  
Benjamin, Texas  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I don't know you very well, yet. See, I'm just two years old. My mommy says, if I'm good you will bring me toys and candy on Xmas eve.

I think I've been good enough to ask for a little baby sister, a dolly, table and chairs.

I want to wish you and Mrs. Claus a very Merry Xmas.

Love,  
Beverly Tolson  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I'd like to have a Johnny Eagle Red River rifle. Also a world Globe, and also a Creepy People set. And two Red River Pistols and do not forget the other children.

Love,  
David Anderson  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
I would love any kind of little toys to play with. Maybe boxing gloves and something to hit.

My sister, Kim, would like a Little Locket Kittle, and a Mrs. Beazley doll.

If you can find an army helmet like my Uncle Jim, I would love that. He will be home for

Christmas.  
Please don't forget my little friends at Play School. We shall try to be real good the rest of the year.

The front door of the motel will be open; and I will leave you some cowboy cookies and a banana.

We love you,  
Kim and Ken  
Williams II  
Maple Terrace Motel  
Abilene, Texas  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa  
Please bring me a Hands Down game and a Pass Word game. I need a new staw hat too so bring me one. And let all the children have a Very Merry Christmas.

Your friend  
Scotty  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City, Texas  
December 7, 1967

Dear Santa Claus:  
For Christmas, I want a box of candy and a walking, talking doll. I have been good. Please bring me a drum and a set of dishes. I want a sled, and a stocking full of toys and candy, and a watch and a ring.

Love,  
Gayle Ware  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa Claus  
For Christmas I want a Twister Game and a cosmetic from Alice and Wonderland, and a billfold. I want a blue sweater with a red K on it.

Thank you.  
Love,  
Adrian Jones  
P. S. Please bring Sarah a play dog, and Nancy a doll; they are my twin sisters.  
\*\*\*\*\*

Box 13  
Knox City, Texas  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus, (please)  
I want a Army suit, and a shotgun, and a B-B gun, and a Incredible Edibles, and a book case, and a television, and a talking doll for my sister, and a Thing-maker, and Army stuff, and Hands-Down, and a Shot gun for my friend, and a Susie Homemaker, for my sister, and a baseball suit, and a Susie Homemaker for my friends, and a aquarium.

Love,  
Freddie Acosta  
\*\*\*\*\*

The first U. S. Marine Corps unit was a ship's detachment assigned to the "Cabot" in December 1775.

## Oratorical Contest Winners Get All Expense Paid Trip

All expense paid trips to the nation's capitol city will be awarded to winners of an oratorical contest. It was announced this week by Charles Stenholm, associate manager of the Stamford Electric Cooperative.

A boy and a girl will be selected on a competitive basis to make the 1968 "Government-In-Action Youth Tour" sponsored by the Electric Cooperatives of Texas.

"In sponsoring 2 young people from the Stamford Electric Cooperative area, said Stenholm, the Cooperative recognizes the responsibility it has of helping the Youth of today recognize, understand, and appreciate the workings of their government."

"The trip will be an exciting, well planned, fun filled, educational experience for the youth, and their experiences will help enrich the education of others throughout the area," continued Stenholm.

The contest is open to any boy or girl at least 16 years of age but not 18 years of age prior to September 1, 1968. Winners will join winners of similar contests sponsored by other electric cooperatives across Texas on the fourth annual tour to Washington, D. C. All expenses of the 13 day trip beginning June 6, will be paid by the Stamford Electric Cooperative.

Each entrant will be required to give a 5 to 8 minute talk on the subject "Rural Electric Cooperatives - Helping Texas Grow". The talk will be judged on the basis of (1) knowledge of subject - 40%; (2) speaking ability - 30%; (3) poise - 10%; (4) personality - 10%; (5) appearance - 10%.

Interested young people may obtain an official entry blank and other information from their local school (Anson, Haskell, Lueders - Avoca, Old Glory, Paint Creek, Rochester, Rule, and Stamford) office or the

stute, the Lincoln Memorial and other places of interest.

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### The Old Times



"America is the only country in the world where men get together to talk about hard times over a \$7 steak."

...the most sincere expression we know to convey our appreciation for your friendliness and patronage this past year.

## Lynn Electric Motor Co.

Jimmy Lynn, Owner  
KNOX CITY, TEXAS

**MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU**

## O'Brien Food Store

Mr. & Mrs. M. E. Bradberry  
KNOX CITY, TEXAS

*Greetings*

Our very special appreciation to you for your friendship and your patronage. It has, truly, been our pleasure to serve you! May you find new joys, renew old friendships, rejoice in happy memories... and with bright hopes welcome the Christmas Season.

*Merry Christmas*

# Knox Prairie Seeds, Inc.

Phone 5251 or 8701 Munday, Texas

WE WISH YOU A

# Merry Christmas

May all the joy and gladness of Christmas come to you and yours this Holiday Season!

## Egenbacher Implement Co.

Knox City, Texas



# Letters To Santa

Knox City School  
Grade 3  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dec. 6, 1967

Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a racing car set, and an electric football game, and a dirt-mover.

Sincerely  
Flint Richardson  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City, Texas

Dear Santa,  
Please may I have a bicycle and a doll. I want a new dress too.

Love,  
Rosalinda Zuniga  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City, Texas  
Grade 3

Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want two walkie-talkies for Christmas. And a football suit, with a helmet, and a football. I want a pair of boots.

Sincerely,  
Gene Guinn  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City, Texas

Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a bendable Barbie and a Casey and a Giggles. Thank you.

Love,  
Terri Odum  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City School  
Grade 3

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a watch and a twister game and a suitcase and some candy.

Sincerely,  
Diana Leach  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City, Texas  
Grade 3

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus  
I have been waiting for Christmas. I want a B-B gun; my old one is broken. I don't want much for Christmas. I just want clothes.

Sincerely,  
Kelly Henexon  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City School  
Grade 3

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a gun for Christmas and a BB gun and a rifle for Christmas. I want some paper for Christmas. I want some clothes for Christmas. I want a gun holster.

Sincerely,  
Larry Johnson.  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City, Texas  
Dec. 6, 1967

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus  
I am writing you these lines to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a doll that cries and talks. Well, Santa Claus, I am going to try to be very good so I can get a doll. Well, good-by, I think this is all.

Love,  
Mary Lou Ledesma  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Baby Hungry doll and Barbie clothes. Thank you.

Love,  
Melissa Huntsman

Knox City School  
Grade 3

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus  
I would like to have a doll that walks and talks and cries real tears. I want a brown wig. I want a little puppy. I want a radio. I want a game.

Sincerely  
Debbie Curd  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City, Texas  
Grade 3

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a pellet gun. I have been a good boy, and I want a Coat, and I want some shoes, and I want a Johnny West.

Love,  
Gary Mallard  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City, Texas  
Dec. 4, 1967

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a pellet gun, and a swing set, I guess that's about all.

Love,  
Rondall S.  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City, Texas  
December 6, 1967

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Baby Hungry doll. Thank you.

Gaylynn Burkham  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me an action highway. Thank you.

Sammy White  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa  
I would like some guns and a truck.

Love,  
Danny Rios  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City, Texas  
December 6, 1967

Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus  
I have been a good boy. I would like to have a Bike and Boxing gloves.

Love,  
James Jackson Jr.  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City School  
Grade 3

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus  
This is going to be a short letter so I will tell you know, I want a pellet gun for Christmas and you know I want so many other things.

Thank you.

Sincerely  
Jimmy Ross

## News From HD Agent

**SPOT ANNOUNCEMENTS - FOOD MARKETING TIPS**

Shopping for the right Christmas tree has been made easier by US Department of Agriculture used by large scale buyers and sellers.

Gwendolyn Clyatt, Extension consumer marketing specialist, says this helps to get better trees on the market for you to buy. Growers use standards as a guide in trimming the growing trees. Trimming improves appearance and makes the trees more marketable at cutting time.

In selecting a Christmas tree, consider shape, density, freshness, cleanliness and absence of defects. The ideal tree has a uniform triangular taper. Make sure it is free of weak, broken or unduly long branches and crooks in the stem, advises the specialist with Texas A&M University. It should be well filled out.

Shake, or bounce the tree on the ground to see that needles are firmly attached. If only a few needles fall, the tree is fresh and more likely to retain its needles throughout the holiday season.

At home, saw off the butt end of the tree about an inch or so above the original cut - so it can absorb water. To keep the tree from drying out and becoming a fire hazard, stand it in water and store in a cool, shady place, preferably outside, until you are ready to decorate. Leave the tree in water and place it away from fireplaces, television sets and other heat sources.

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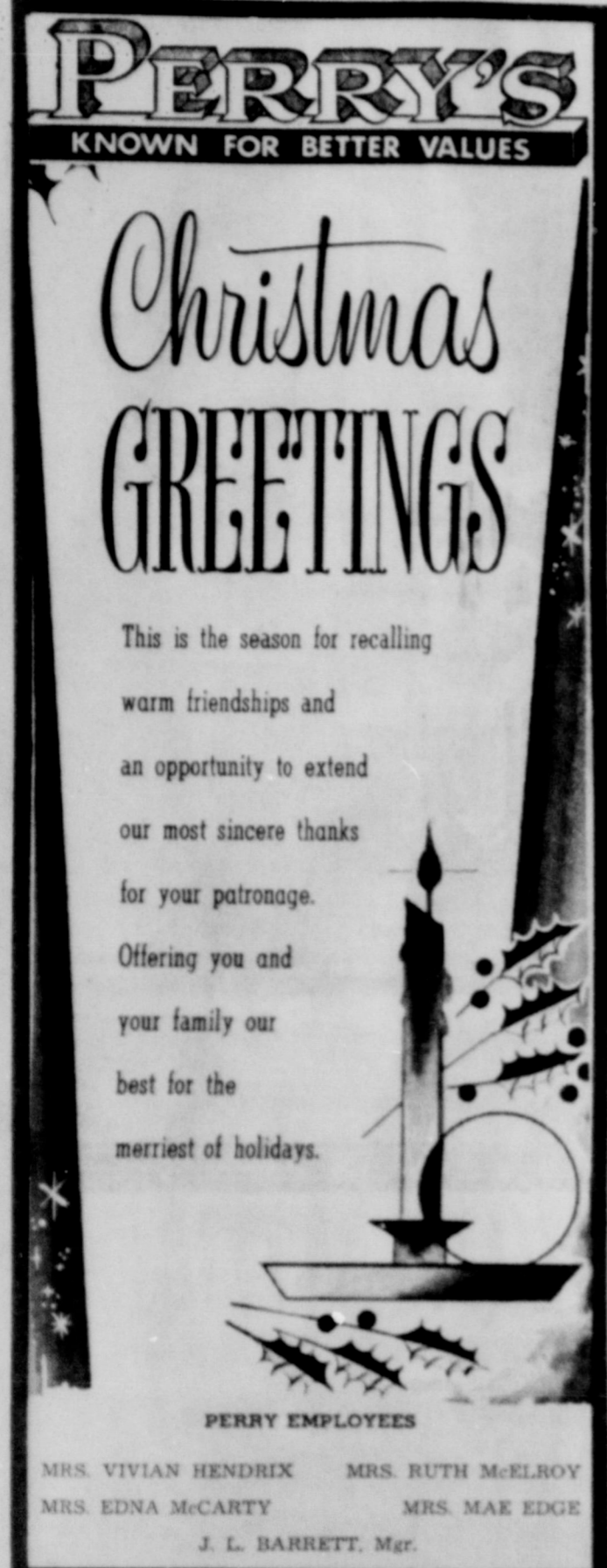
perhaps a bowl or cookie sheet, and her cookbook. Several books are out now especially designed for the young cook. They have simple recipes, cute ideas and are easy reading. And don't forget Dad's little helper with outdoor cooking. He might like an apron, mitten potholder and some utensils himself.

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**PERRY'S**  
KNOWN FOR BETTER VALUES

## Christmas GREETINGS

This is the season for recalling warm friendships and an opportunity to extend our most sincere thanks for your patronage. Offering you and your family our best for the merriest of holidays.

**PERRY EMPLOYEES**

MRS. VIVIAN HENDRIX    MRS. RUTH McELROY  
MRS. EDNA McCARTY    MRS. MAE EDGE  
J. L. BARRETT, Mgr.

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**Joy to the world the Lord is come.**

Once again the Season has come when we observe the birth of our Saviour. May it be a time from which all of us may renew our inspiration and our faith. May His Divine and Eternal Presence be with you and all those dear to you.

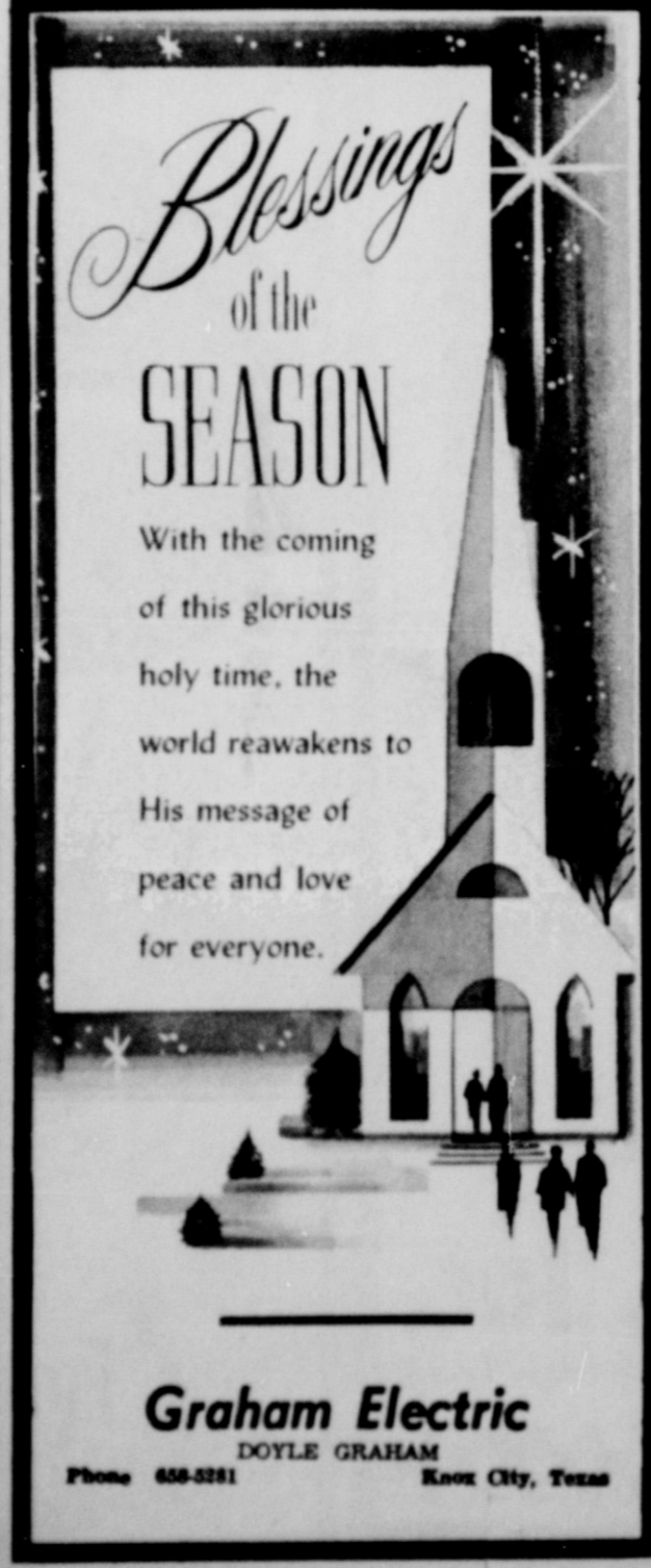
**Lane-Felker**  
HASKELL, TEXAS



**IT'S CHRISTMAS TIME**

We wish you a Christmas filled with Happy Doings! Our thanks to you for your past favors. We will endeavor always to be worthy of your trust.

**Brazos Valley Gin**  
CHARLES REESE, Manager  
KNOX CITY, TEXAS



**Blessings of the SEASON**

With the coming of this glorious holy time, the world reawakens to His message of peace and love for everyone.

**Graham Electric**  
DOYLE GRAHAM  
Phone 658-5281    Knox City, Texas



**Merry Christmas TO ALL!**

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

**Knox County Lumber Co.**  
Jim Ross, Mgr.  
KNOX CITY, TEXAS



# Letters To Santa

Knox City, Texas  
December 6, 1967  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa  
Have you had a good year? I think I have been good. Will you bring me a Cheerful Tearful and some Skipper Clothes and a set of dishes. I will save something to eat and drink for you.  
Love  
Irene Flores  
P. S. Don't forget my brother and my sister and don't forget other boys and girls and I am eight years old.  
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Knox City School  
December 4, 1967  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus  
I want you to bring me a B-B gun and I want a train set and an ambulance car. I would like for you to bring my sister a baby doll and a set of dishes.  
Thank you.  
Love  
Curtis Fletcher  
\*\*\*\*\*

General Delivery  
Knox City, Texas  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus  
I wish you would bring me a Rifle for Christmas so I can play Cowboys.  
Love,  
Gilbert Luna  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City School  
Grade 3  
Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a Susie Homemaker and stove and water and I want a Hair Fall and that is all.  
Sincerely  
Patti Renea Lain  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City, Texas  
December 6, 1967  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa  
I hope you have had a good year.  
I have been pretty good. Please bring me a Baby Snuggie and her play ball. Merry Christmas Santa.  
Your friend  
Juliana Johnson  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City School  
Grade 3  
Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a BB gun and I want a 22 and I want a 44 and I want a pellet gun and I want a Tick.  
Sincerely  
Ricky T. Carver  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City, Texas  
Dec. 6, 1967  
Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa  
Please bring me a drum, a doll's chair, and a chair for me to play with her. Please get me a bicycle to play with my brother.  
With love,  
Alma Montalvo

General Delivery  
Knox City, Texas

Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a walking doll. I want a fun flower set. I want some skates. I want some doll clothes. I want a small bike.  
Love  
Vicki Osborn  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City, Texas  
Dec. 6, 1967  
Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Twist and Turn Barbie, a phone that talks and the Snake's Alive game. That's all.  
Love,  
Joy  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City School  
Grade 3  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a 5-speed. I want a B-B gun. I want a 4-ten. I want a Batman outfit. I want a play gun.  
Sincerely  
Troy Gene Lewis  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City School  
Grade 3  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a nice girl. For Christmas I want a big doll and a nurse set. And I want a nurse book, too. And I want a piano and a radio and a red coat. Please don't forget me on Christmas night. And a pair of gloves.  
Sincerely  
Corinca Jewel  
Culberson  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City School  
Grade 3  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want an Incredible Edible and a Freight Factory and Creepie People. I also want a twenty-two. To add, I want a pellet gun. And pellets for the pellet gun. And bullets for the twenty-two.  
Sincerely  
Glen Osborn  
\*\*\*\*\*  
Box 786  
Knox City, Texas

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus  
Please bring me a guitar, a horn, and a drum.  
Love,  
Eli Montalvo  
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Knox City School  
Grade 3

Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a doll and a bicycle and a Susie Homemaker Stove and a play house for Christmas.  
Sincerely,  
Florinda  
Rodriguez  
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Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a G. I. Joe.  
Thank you.  
Keith Petty

Knox City School  
Grade 3  
Dec. 5, 1967  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus  
I would like some new black shoes. I would like some new brown gloves. I would like a B-B gun. I want a train set.  
Thank you.  
Sincerely  
Carlos Sanchez  
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Knox City School  
Dec. 4, 1967  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa  
Please bring me a bicycle and some dishes.  
Thank you.  
Brenda Kay Albus  
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Knox City School  
Dec. 4, 1967  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus  
Please bring me a bicycle,  
a set of dishes, and a doll.  
Thank you.  
Love  
Belinda Rogers  
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Knox City School  
December 4, 1967  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa  
I have been good in school and I would like a baby Say-N-See and a tea set. I think I will help mother more than I have.  
Thank you.  
Sincerely  
Juanita Garcia  
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Knox City School  
Grade 3  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a pair of boxing gloves and a four-ten.  
Sincerely  
Jerry Dale  
McCown  
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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

## Care, A Gift For Humanity

With our modern techniques, a single American farmer feeds and clothes nearly 40 of his countrymen. In the underdeveloped countries, the average farmer barely feeds his own family.  
Christmas sharpens the contrast. While we shop for festive items for family and friends, half the people on earth are hungry. Surely most of us, in this season of goodwill towards all mankind, can afford to add a gift for humanity through CARE's Food Crusade.  
Every dollar donated delivers

a food package, in the name of the American people. The U. S. helps by donating commodities and host governments share operating costs. A total 6,500,000 packages are needed to complete CARE programs that will help feed 37 million people in 32 countries during the coming year.  
The food sustains war refugees in South Vietnam and the Middle East, famine victims in India. In villages from Latin America to Africa, it brings hope for a better life. Served at schools, it helps educate children for a more productive role as the farmers and workers of tomorrow. At preschool centers, it saves malnourished youngsters from permanent mental and physical damage. Paid as wages, it feeds families while men build schools, roads, water systems and other facilities essential to economic development.  
Compassion is reason enough to send a holiday contribution. But it is good to know that by our giving we also help the hungry feed themselves in the future. You can mail your check to: CARE Food Crusade, 216 Empire State Bank Bldg., Dallas, Texas 75201.  
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Almost 20,000 pounds of squid were harvested on the Texas Gulf during 1966-67, according to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Most were used as bait; however, a small percentage was used in gourmet cookery.



# Peace on Earth

Even as the Wise Men sought  
the Christ Child over nineteen hundred years ago, so  
do wise men today seek the  
peace that He brought to  
all men. We join in their  
prayers for a Christmas  
blessed with lasting peace.

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Lee Webbs and Employees  
KNOX CITY, TEXAS



# Farm and Ranch News

By Herman Collier

## INCOME LEVELING CUTS TAXES

Income tax management must be planned before the tax year ends, says James Mallet, Extension farm management specialist at Texas A&M University. That's December 31 for most taxpayers.

Tax savings can be realized by reducing taxable income and by claiming larger deductions in high income years that result in smaller deductions the next. Leveling income between two or more years is a common practice to avoid increased taxes that result from highly variable income, says Mallet.

## REDUCING TAXABLE INCOME

Careful planning can increase the proportion of non-taxable income. Complete and accurate financial records are a necessity for careful reporting of all allowable deductions, both business and personal. Items commonly not recognized and easily omitted include business travel,

lodging and entertainment, special protective clothing required in operating the business, subscriptions to business and professional publications such as farm magazines, and items used partly for business and partly for personal purposes. Travel expenses and lodging in behalf of a church or charitable organization, and the fair market value of assets contributed to these organizations are deductible if you itemize deductions.

Only half of the profit on eligible capital sales may be taxable income, while all the profit from ordinary income is subject to taxation. Farmers and ranchers frequently include the sale of breeding, draft and dairy livestock, a capital sale, with ordinary income from the sale of calves, pigs and lambs. Taxable income can be reduced by claiming all capital sales on schedule D and claiming capital gains on all eligible sales.

In addition, livestock enterprises can be managed to produce a higher proportion of capital sales by raising herd replacements.

Farm and ranch operators can elect to claim actual soil and water conservation and brush removal costs as ordinary expenses, up to 25 percent of the gross farm income. Any excess not claimed because of the 25 percent limitation is carried forward and deducted up to 25 percent of future years gross farm income until all the cost has been claimed. Timber clearing costs can be deducted up to \$5,000 or 25 percent of the taxable farm income whichever is smaller. Any excess above the limitation must be capitalized. These elections can reduce taxable income as compared to capitalizing these costs which is the other alternative.

Business property traded for like property may result in a non-taxable exchange. Whereas, profit from the voluntary sale of business property is taxable income even if other business property is purchased with the proceeds. However, profit from the sale of a personal residence differs, in that if as much or more than the total proceeds are reinvested in another residence within 12 months from the date of sale, the gain is not recognized. If construction is started in 12 months and occupied in 18 months, the transaction also qualifies as a non-recognized gain. Taxpayers over 65 years of age can claim a special exclusion of gain on the sale of a residence.

If itemized personal deductions exceed the standard 10 percent deduction, taxable income may be reduced by contributing assets rather than money. Taxpayers can claim as contributions, the fair market value of assets contributed to qualifying organizations and any difference between the cost of the asset and its fair market value is not recognized. Costs of purchasing and/or raising livestock, crops or produce contributed to qualifying organizations can not be deducted as a farm expense and therefore, must be subtracted from farm costs.

Other deductions that may be available to some taxpayers include casualty and theft losses, child care cost, investment credit, oil and mineral depletion allowances, retirement income credit, foreign tax credit, dividend exclusion and tax-free covenant bond credit.

Couples filing separate returns in a community property state, which includes Texas, may reduce taxable income if they incurred capital losses in excess of \$1,000. The capital loss deduction is limited to the smaller of \$1,000 or the combined taxable income on a joint return; or, to the smaller of \$1,000 or the separate taxable income on each separate return.

## INCOME LEVELING

Deductions, whether farm or business expenses or personal deductions, reduce taxes more in high income years than in low income years. Income leveling deals with shifting a portion of income and/or deductions between years so as to attain the maximum tax saving resulting from the high and low tax brackets.

Taxpayers, using the cash accounting method of reporting, can advance or delay year-end sales of livestock, crops and produce. Similarly, purchases of farm supplies can be postponed or supplies for the next season can be purchased before the end of the tax year, depending on the high or low income situation.

Anticipated equipment and livestock needs for the next year may be purchased before the end of a high income year. In addition, the taxpayer may elect an accelerated method of depreciation, such as the "de-

clining balance method," and claim the first year 20 percent additional depreciation allowance on property that qualifies.

The installment method of reporting can be used for the sale of any real property regardless of selling price and for casual sales of personal property, such as machinery, breeding, draft and dairy livestock, personal auto and furniture, if the selling price is more than \$1,000. Gains from installment sales may be reported in installments if in the year of sale there are no payments or the payments don't exceed 30 percent of the selling price.

In high income years, a portion of the next year's contributions could be made in a lump sum prior to the end of the year. Payment of taxes, interest, medical insurance premium, medical and drug bills and other deductible expenses that are due near the year end may be in the year of greatest tax savings.

Income leveling techniques do not materially change the total taxable income or deduction but simply shifts a portion of them between tax years. There is little advantage from tax leveling if your income is fairly consistent from year to year.

For detailed income tax reporting regulation, consult your tax accountant, attorney or the Internal Revenue Service. The publication No. 225, available from your county agent or the Internal Revenue Service after December 1, 1967, is a helpful reference. "Your Federal Income Tax", IRS publication No. 17, is available from the Internal Revenue Service for 50 cents a copy.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good girl. For Christmas please bring me a doll that does everything, a Majorette Suit, A Baby Hungry that cries, and a box of candy.  
Love and thank you,  
Tammy Carver

Dear Santa Claus  
I am in the First Grade and am trying to be good. What I really want for Christmas is a play rifle.  
Remember my little sisters.  
Thank you,  
Terry Curd

Knox City, Texas  
December 6, 1967  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa:  
For Christmas I would like to have a bicycle, a B-B gun, and a race track. Santa, I would like for you to wake me up when you come to my house. I will have cookies and milk waiting for you. I will be waiting for you.  
Yours truly,  
Kenneth Rogers

Knox City School  
Grade 3  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus  
Here are a few lines. I want you to say Hi to Mrs. Santa and I want you to bring me a Stingray bike and a pair of gloves. And I want you to bring my brother a pair of guns with a holster.  
Sincerely,  
Johnny Espinoza

Knox City, Texas  
Dec. 6, 1967  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa  
This is a letter for you. And I am writing what I want for Christmas. I want a football and a fire truck and a gun for Christmas.  
Your friend  
David Rodriguez

# Letters To Santa

Knox City, Texas  
1115 7th St.  
Grade 3

Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus,  
If you can bring me a train set. I would like that so much. Last year I got a train set, but if you can bring me another train set. If you would do that, I would like that so much.  
Thank you.

Sincerely yours  
Larry Don Day

Knox City, Texas  
Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa  
Here I'm writing you this line just to tell you what I want for Christmas. Here is what I want: a football, and a basketball.

Thank you.  
Your friend,  
Victor Rodriguez

Box 776  
Knox City, Texas  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus  
I would like a Charger Track, Space Suit, Spider Bike, BB gun with Telescope, Incredible Edibles, and a Tractor.  
Love  
Roy Faulk

Box 491  
Knox City, Texas  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a B-B gun. I want a Charger track. I want a Space suit. I want a Stick-shift bike. I have been good. Please bring me a bike. Please bring me a wagon.

Love,  
Dominath  
Franklin

Box 306  
Knox City, Texas  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a new bike for Christmas. I want a tape recorder for Christmas, too. We are going to have a flowered Christmas tree.

Love,  
Payton Barnard

Knox City, Texas  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus  
I would like to have a blackboard and a Lincoln Log Cabin for Christmas.  
Love Always  
Russell Montalvo

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have tried to be good. For Christmas please bring me a Spiderman Suit, B-B gun and a car race. Thank you.  
Love,  
Aniceto Castro

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have tried to be a good boy. For Christmas please bring me a Superman suit, a Spiderman suit and a United States Flag.

Tommy  
Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. Please don't forget me this year. I want for Christmas some candy and a big doll with a red dress.

And some Go-Go boots, too.  
Love,  
Cynthia Saenz

Dear Santa,  
I tried to be good. For Christmas I want a bicycle and a doll that cries and walks.  
Thanks,  
Cynthia Rhodes

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. For Christmas I want a purse and a little Christmas tree and a box of candy.

Thank you,  
Diana Martinez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. Please bring me a doll that cries. I want a radio, too and some candy and an apple.

Love,  
Toni Rios

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me an action highway and a bike and a G. I. Joe.

Thank you,  
I love you,  
Dwayne Johnson

Texas gasoline tax at 5 cents per gallon yielded \$242 million in 1966. In an average year Guard answers approximately 50,000 requests for assistance.



May the season glow with joy!

**Knox City News Stand**  
George and Maxine Houston



May the season glow with joy!

Happy New Year

**H.C. Stone, Sheriff  
and Deputies of  
Knox County**



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May peace be with you!

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KNOX CITY, TEXAS



Here's hoping your holidays are stacked with everything that's good for you and your family.

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Richard Potteet Glenn Smith  
Bud Thompson Daisy Dean Smith  
Bob, Bobbie, and Rob



# Letters To Santa

Knox City, Texas  
December 4, 1967  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a little Miss Fussy (that's a doll) and I want a little cooking set and a suit case.  
And that's all,  
Love,  
Tammy Stewart

I love Santa.  
Good-bye now.  
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Knox City, Texas  
December 4, 1967  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus:  
For Christmas I want a bicycle. I have been nice.  
Love,  
Ornette  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City, Texas  
Dec. 4, 1967

General Delivery  
Knox City

Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am writing you, to bring me a bicycle for Christmas and a race game.  
Love,  
Sammy Valadaerz  
\*\*\*\*\*

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

Knox City, Texas  
December 6, 1967  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a wig and a Cindy doll and Eazy-bake oven and Suzy Homemaker and that is all.

Your friend,  
Patricia Hamilton  
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Knox City, Texas  
December 6, 1967  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a train and a horse.

Love,  
Tracy  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City, Texas  
Dec. 4, 1967  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a good boy. For Christmas I want a Spider Man suit and a Batman suit and a black jacket and a race car.  
Thank you,  
Love,  
Jessie  
\*\*\*\*\*

Knox City, Texas  
Dec. 4, 1967  
Mr. Santa Claus  
North Pole

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been good. I want a bicycle and Baby Hungry.  
Don't forget Greg and Donny, Santa.  
Love,  
Rhonda  
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Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a movie projector and a camera.  
Thank you,  
Gerrie Watson  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a caboose and a tool set.  
Thank you,  
Scott Lynn  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a twist and turn Barbie doll.  
Thank you,  
Simone Cobb  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Tonka truck.  
Thank you,  
Sid Richardson

I want a Wiggle doll, and a Barbie with her clothes.  
With Love  
Norma Lee Valdez  
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Knox City, Texas  
December 6, 1967

Dear Santa Claus  
Please bring me a doll with nine dresses and a little bed and bring to my sister a doll with four dresses and a bed and bring to my little brother a little car to ride on and bring a box of candies to each one.  
Your friend  
Alba  
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Knox City School  
Grade 3  
December 4, 1967

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a new little car and a boat, and a hundred soldiers and an airplane. I want a gun and a Batman suit, and Robin suit, and some candy, and a little rabbit and Super suit. A little house for my brother.  
Love  
Benny Saenz  
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Knox City, Texas  
December 4, 1967

Dear Santa Claus  
I would like a tea set and a Baby First Step doll. I have been good all year. I'll do better in my school work.  
Love  
Jostie Garcia  
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Box 968  
Knox City, Texas  
December 6, 1967

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a gun. Please bring me a bulldozer. Please bring me a gun. I have been good.  
Love  
Mark Youngblood  
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Box 703  
Knox City, Texas  
December 6, 1967

Dear Santa Claus

## Sales Of Upland Cotton By CCC Can Be Harmful To RPCG

Sales during the last week of November of 604, 239 bales of upland cotton by Commodity Credit Corporation can be detrimental to the current price farmers in the Rolling Plains cotton producing area may expect to receive, said Charles Bragg, executive vice president of the Rolling Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. on Monday.

"In behalf of members of the RPCG in the 32 counties in the area, this office filed a formal protest of the sale with F. W. Blease, Washington, D. C.," Bragg stated.

Blease is the South-Central area director of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

"The price paid for the 604,239 bales sold from CCC stocks on November 27 averaged about 140 points over the loan for middling 15/16ths staple, only 20 points higher than minimum selling price and fully 2 cents per pound less than current market prices," Bragg explained.

"While the sales helped to reduce CCC loan stocks to less than 1.5 million bales of short staple cotton," the executive vice president pointed out, "the transactions came at a time when the Rolling Plains harvest just about reached its peak. It could hurt marketing


of the current crop".

Bragg, who succeeded Charles Stenholm as executive vice president of RPCG in mid-November, was previously employed in the USDA in Washington, serving as acting head of Cotton, Peanuts and Tobacco Branch Division of the Policy and Program Appraisal Division.

He states that 90 per cent of the cotton left in CCC stocks is one-inch staple or less.

It is interesting to note that among the successful bidders on the 604,239 bales sold on November 27 were buyers from many Texas points including Abilene, Big Spring, Lubbock and Fort Worth.

The new executive vice president has been busy the past few weeks contacting directors and members and formulating plans for 1968-69.



## Peace on Earth

...goodwill to men. May this Christmas bring the peace that all the world yearns for.

**L. W. Graham**  
Real Estate  
KNOX CITY, TEXAS

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me some roller skates and a Baby First Step doll.  
Thank you.  
Love,  
Kelly Watson  
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Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Baby First Step and a hair dryer.  
Thank you.  
Love,  
Tammie Helton  
\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a G. I. Joe.  
Thank you.  
Greg Oliver.  
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General Delivery  
Knox City, Texas

Dear Santa Claus  
Please bring me a Fun Flower set and candy and a Sting-Ray bike and a Baby Magic and an Operation game and two walkie-talkies and a radio and Snakes A Live.  
Love  
Lydia Lankford  
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General Delivery  
Knox City, Texas

Dear Santa Claus  
I have been good! Please bring me a Fun Flower Set, Sting-Ray Bike, and a doll that talks and cries.  
Love  
Cheryl Ann Brieden  
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Knox City, Texas

Dear Santa Claus  
I am writing you this letter to tell you what I want. Well

Please bring me a Sting-Ray Bike and some candy and fruit. I have been a good girl.  
Love  
Judy Ray  
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Knox City, Texas  
December 6, 1967

Dear Santa Claus  
I have been a good girl. I think. Please bring me a "fall" and a new bike. I would also like a few games. Please be good to all the boys and girls.  
Love  
Tamie Grindstaff  
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General Delivery  
Knox City, Texas

Dear Santa Claus  
Please bring me a bike.  
Love  
Alfonso Zuniga  
\*\*\*\*\*

General Delivery  
Knox City, Texas

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a doll and a bike. I want a Baby Say-n-See. I want a walking doll, Fun Flower Set, and Pee Wee Doll.  
Love  
Vallie Rodriguez



## HI THERE!

It's time to wish our many friends the best!

## Coates, Hocus Pocus

CECIL AND BETTIE - JIM AND JEAN  
KNOX CITY, TEXAS

# Merry Christmas



Our many thanks to you all!  
May peace be with you!

**Bill Wilson**  
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## Season's Greetings

The farther we travel on our journey, the more we realize the value of old friends and their good will and confidence.

Pause a moment, won't you?

We'd like to tell you how much we've enjoyed your friendship... how much a pleasure it has been to be of service to you.

And especially... from all of us, to all of you our very heartiest wishes for a wonderful Christmas!

*Merry Christmas*

## Knox County Herald

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# Letters To Santa

Knox City, Texas

Dear Santa  
I am nine years old, I have been a good boy. Please bring me a pair of Pumas, also a watch. My brother is in the hospital please help him be home be Christmas.  
Your friend  
Billy Bob Reynolds

Box 641  
Knox City, Texas  
December 6, 1967

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a play gun and a play tractor. Please bring me a play jeep with a trailer with two horses. And bring me a play bear too.  
Your friend  
Kevin Graves

General Delivery  
Knox City, Texas

Dear Santa Claus  
I want a guitar. I want a pee wee doll. I want some paints. I want a play car. I want a Walking Doll. I want a Freasury-Smokey. I want a play cash register. I want a purse. I want a B-B gun. I want some cards. I want a snake. I want a Shot gun.  
Love  
Melissa Gideon

Knox City, Texas  
Route 1, 79529  
December 5, 1967

## Work After Age 65 Brings \$572

Good health plus a sincere desire to be gainfully employed paid off recently to Mr. Guillermo Floriano (or Guilleno Florez as he is known by his many friends in Knox City and Knox County). Mr. Florez was born in Laredo, Texas on August 4, 1898.

Mr. Florez was never quite sure of the correct date of his birth, but felt he was over 65 years old and wanted to sign up for Medicare protection. He knew he would need some proof of his age, so he went to the church in El Paso where he had been baptised as an infant.

The church had the old records and furnished Mr. Florez with a certified copy of his Baptismal Certificate proving he was born August 4, 1898.

When Mr. Florez Social Security earnings record was received from the headquarters in Baltimore, it showed Mr. Florez had earned enough quarters for a monthly benefit, and since he hadn't applied until after he was first entitled and hadn't earned over \$1500.00 in 1966 or 1967, he could receive back payments for twelve months before the month he signed up.

This meant a retroactive benefit check of \$572.00 which Mr. Florez said came at a time when he certainly could use the money. Mr. Florez will continue to receive a check for \$44.00 each month and in addition can work and earn as much as \$1500.00 each year and still receive all his monthly checks.

Mr. Florez knows that Social Security records are confidential, but gave permission to tell his story so that others could learn more about their rights under the Social Security Law.

## Use Preaddressed 1967 Form 1040A

Taxpayers who received a 1967 preaddressed Form 1040A are urged to file that form if it fits their needs and they are eligible to use it.

Ellis Campbell, Jr., District Director of Internal Revenue for Northern Texas, said today that substantial savings will be realized if the form provided is used because fewer key-punch operations are necessary to process the return. "It also helps us utilize the full capabilities for which the Automatic Date Processing system was designed," he said.

If your name or address has changed make the necessary corrections and strike through lightly the preprinted information. If you have a refund due, this will help insure delivery of the check to the correct address.

Taxpayers should also verify that their correct social security number is entered on the return they file.

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Help keep America Strong  
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Box 236  
Knox City, Texas  
Dec. 6, 1967

Dear Santa,  
I have been a nice girl I hope. I would like a "fall" for Christmas. That is all.  
Love,  
Sheryll Guinn

Route 1, Box 97  
Knox City, Texas

Dear Santa Claus  
Please bring me a BABY FIRST STEP and a set of little dishes. I think I have been pretty good. I want a little dresser too, and a pair of red and white gloves, and some red and white socks too.  
Love  
Judy D. Herring

Box 591  
Knox City, Texas

Dear Santa Claus  
Please bring me a Fun Flower Set and a Baby Say 'N See, and a play telephone. Please bring me a Pee Wee Doll. Please bring me a walking doll. Please bring me a play T.V. Please bring me a play radio.  
Love  
Angie Rios

Knox City, Texas

Dear Santa  
I want a BB gun and a tape

recorder.  
Your friend  
Bobby Marion

Knox City, Texas

Dear Santa  
I want a little Baby First Step and anything else you would like to bring.  
Thank You  
Love  
Lea Hise

Knox City, Texas

Dear Santa Claus  
Please bring me a shotgun. I am good boy. I want a bike.  
Love  
Alvin Luna

Box 766  
Knox City, Texas  
December 5, 1967

Dear Santa  
I have been a good girl. I would like "Giggles", a guitar and a Barbie House.  
Your friend  
Sherry Jackson

Box 786  
Knox City, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus  
Please bring me a doll, and a dress, and a book of Kittens. I have been good. I have a bike. I have a bunch of candy.  
Love  
Sylvia Sanchez

Knox City, Texas  
Dear Santa  
I want a bicycle, I want a 3-speed bicycle. I hope it is good and it will go fast. I hope it has a Cheater stick. I will close and I will write next Christmas.  
Love  
David Park



A Very Merry Christmas

S. W. McCarty  
Jewelry

KNOX CITY, TEXAS

# GREETINGS



## TO OUR MANY GOOD FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

Time to shovel the walk and enjoy the crisp, cold air of winter . . . time to think about those we know and like and those we've enjoyed serving in the past. We are grateful for your patronage, and as the Christmas season approaches, we want to extend to you and yours the very best of holidays, in every way.

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O'Brien, Texas



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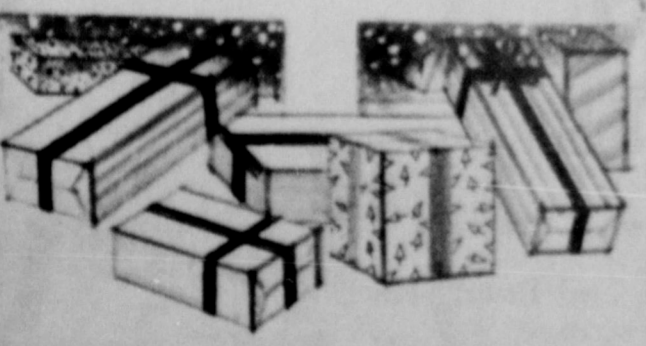
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## A BRIGHT CHRISTMAS

Thank you one and all  
for the gift of  
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loyal patronage.  
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## "Melanie Meddles"

By Melanie Whitley

Idiocy runs in the family. If you've suspected it, now you know for sure. Anyway Chad Wilson does. Super-sleuth that he is, he correctly delivered a post card last week addressed to "Red and White house and White and Redhouse, Knox City, Texas" with the return address signed "Unsigned". Maybe he got a clue from the message, "Dear Ya'll, Just wanted to see if it's get there. Hello." (Big BlankSpace) signed "Notmeboy, If you think I'm gonna sign a stupid thing like this, you're crazy."

It could be that Chad has seen things on this order before. Seventeen years of schooling must tax the mind, anyway brother Ronnie must be warned that with Christmas cards and all, postmen are just about at the snapping point this time of year, and he should leave the poor guys alone.

Linda Large wasn't too impressed with Knox City's new

street decorations. Oh, the candles were all right, but she wondered why they put "Neon" across the street.

LaWanda McWhorter went to the Cooper-Richardson game Saturday at the Cotton Bowl. Her daughter, Sandra Choate, is a Senior cheerleader for Cooper High School. You've never seen a prouder mother. Don't tell her just yet, but she thinks the cheerleaders won the game.

No organization seems to be repairing toys this year, but anyone who wants to donate new or good used toys can bring them to the office at Carney High School. They will be distributed to needy families. I'll bet your children will want to share their outgrown toys if you just ask them.

Three-fourth of Texas gas is processed for fuels like gasoline, propane, butane, etc.

## New Method Developed For Medicare Hospital Payment

The Social Security Administration, in cooperation with the American Hospital Association, has developed a new method of paying for hospital services under medicare, John W. Gardner, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, announced today.

Beginning January 1, 1968, Gardner said, hospitals will be able to count on receiving an agreed-upon uniform medicare payment each week. This new method, which may become a prototype for other hospital insurance plans will:

- help hospitals improve their financial planning and day-to-day management
- substantially reduce detailed paperwork.

Detailed statements of services and charges will no longer be required in advance of medicare payment, the Secretary noted. Instead, a hospital's weekly payment will be based on an estimate of the cost of the services it expects to furnish to medicare beneficiaries in the course of a year. It will receive that amount weekly in 52 installments.

Adjustments in the amount of the payment can be made at any time to reflect current cost experience. Final settlement and audit will take place once a year.

The idea for this new medicare payment plan, Gardner noted, was first suggested by Thomas M. Tierney, the Social Security Administration's new medicare director, who until last April was President of Colorado's Blue Cross Plan.

"The American Hospital Association is to be commended," Secretary Gardner said, "for its demonstration of responsible professional leadership and interest in the efficient administration of a program that is contributing so much to the well-being of our older citizens."

There were over 6 million admissions to hospitals under medicare during the first 15 months of its operation, he said, involving about 5 million people. Over \$3 billion has been paid to hospitals for these services.

Physicians have arranged home health care for about 300,000 people, and since January 1, about 300,000 people have been admitted to extended care facilities.

About a billion dollars has

been paid under the voluntary program which covers primarily physicians' bills. The somewhat over 20 million bills for physicians' services, covering a great variety of services, have averaged \$38 each. The surgical bills, as would be expected, were considerably more and taken alone averaged about \$132 per bill.

There are about 6,900 hospitals participating in the program, about 4,200 extended care facilities, 1,900 home health agencies, and 2,400 independent laboratories. Seventeen and three quarter million people over 65, or 93 percent of all the older people in the country, have enrolled in the voluntary medical insurance part of medicare.

Processing time for the payment of claims has been greatly reduced in recent months, Secretary Gardner stated. The average time nationally required to process physicians' bills is now about two weeks. This is a reduction, he said, from an average processing time of about 5 weeks at the first of the year and about 2 1/2 weeks in June.

## Texas Railroads Pay \$10,520 Taxes In County

Current annual taxes paid to the various government agencies by Texas railroads in Knox County totaled \$10,520, it is announced by the Texas Railroad Association.

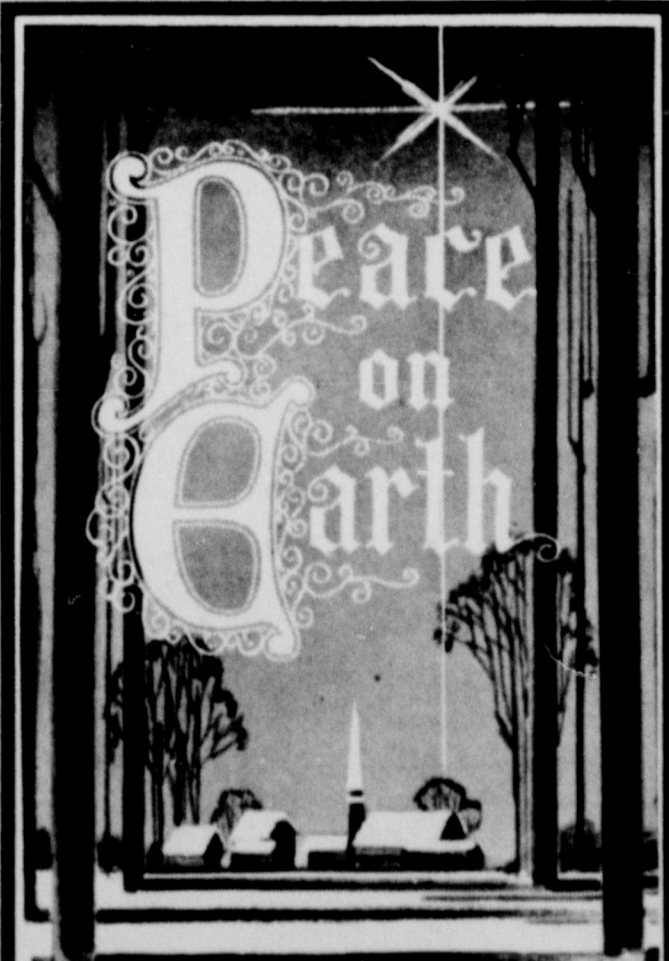
That amount was the county's share of the more than \$10,000,000 the railroads paid in Texas on their own right of way and other property.

The biggest railroad contribution was to the school systems throughout the state. Large sums were also distributed to city, village and county governments and for road and bridge funds.

In addition, of course, was the large total in taxes the railroads' 33,410 Texas employees contributed on their own property. The vast majority of rail workers, many of whom live in Knox County, own their own homes.

"With the future of our country and state depending to a great extent upon the education of our youth, I am delighted that nearly half of the taxes paid by the railroads go to support the schools," said Walter Caven, general counsel of the Texas Railroad Association. "Recognizing this need for education, many of the railroads operating in Texas also make scholarships available to a large number of students every year."

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SAN ANTONIO—Millions of Texans will be licensed to publicize HemisFair 1968 next year. All private passenger cars and trucks will carry a license plate similar to the one being held by Miss Danielle Hutchinson, 20-year-old secretary with the international exposition. The plates, which go on sale February 1, must be on vehicles by April 1, five days before the opening of the 184-day Texas World's Fair. Reduced priced tickets and bonus books are now on sale in 280 cities throughout Texas.

## Home Notes

Dad sits on the floor altering tracks and thumbing switches, maneuvering the electric train around the living room floor. And Junior sits watching Dad.

Recognize this scene? It is too often a common one.

Parents tend to buy Christmas presents for themselves rather than for their child. They buy what they want, for status or to impress others, says Lucille Moore, Extension recreation specialist at Texas A&M University. The child is being cheated when the toy is for the parent.

Toy gifts should fit a child's needs, and a child is not nearly as hard to please as adults believe, Miss Moore says.

The activity instigated by the toy should meet the needs of each age group. The recreation specialist recommends:

- \*Pre-schoolers-activity for developing large muscles, using the hands and imaginative play.

- \*Young elementary - developing large muscles, social development such as stories, dramatic play parties and trips and coordinating fine muscles such as arts and crafts.

- \*Older elementary-gang development such as teams sports, acquiring skills through hobbies, painting, music, swimming and individual and social development.

This fills a primary prerequisite for a child's gift - the need.

The toy should give the child a feeling of adequacy, suggests Jennie Kitching, Extension family life specialist. Give him something he can do and something which sets the appropriate standard for physical and men-

tal development. Kitching, and toys with several uses. This encourages the child to use his imagination and to be creative.

The two specialists recommend building blocks, clay, paints, books and puzzles. Big crayons are easier for the youngster to manipulate. They prefer opaque paint because it is more colorful than water colors.

Above all, recognize individual differences, says Miss Kitching, and develop them in a child with hobbies, musical toys, toys for dramatic play such as puppets and dolls and science toys for school age youngsters.

Children love role-playing with puppets, dolls, dress-up clothes, housekeeping kits and other equipment. This dramatic play is important to the child, says Miss Kitching, because from it, they learn roles. They identify with their parents, the policeman on the corner, with the shop keeper.

It is especially good for boys, who need to identify with men and men's occupations, according to the specialist. Boys don't know what Daddy does today. He leaves the house and goes to an office unlike past years when the son followed his father and was familiar with what Dad did.

Most important, the toy should be safe. The National Safety Council recommends that parents consider the following safety factors:

- 1. Good construction with no items which can be pulled off and swallowed, broken off, leaving sharp edges to cut.

- 2. Non-toxic paint and strings of a non-conducting material such as cotton. However, any string will carry electricity when wet.

- 3. Securely fastened handles on hammers and mallets and wheels on wooden toys, fastened preferably with screws.

- 4. Keys of toys which do not revolve when the toy is working. If ever in question about a youngster's toy, buy him a book, says Miss Kitching.

## All Time Record Set At Six Flags

Six Flags Over Texas, the popular historical-theme amusement park located midway between Dallas and Fort Worth, closed out its 1967 season on Sunday, November 26, with an all-time record of 2,037,050 visitors.

It topped last year's record of 1,915,000 visitors and marked the first 2,000,000-visitor season ever, since the Park opened in 1961.

Six Flags Over Georgia, the 276-acre, \$12,000,000 theme park in Atlanta, which began its first season of operations in June of this year, also recorded an impressive total of 1,109,030 visitors.

The Texas and Georgia theme parks were created by Angus G. Wynne, Jr., president of Great Southwest Corporation, which owns and operates both attractions.

The ricksha used in the Orient today was invented by Jonathan Goble, a U. S. Marine who visited Japan with Perry in 1854.



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• Isaiah 9:6,7

## GREETINGS OF THE SEASON

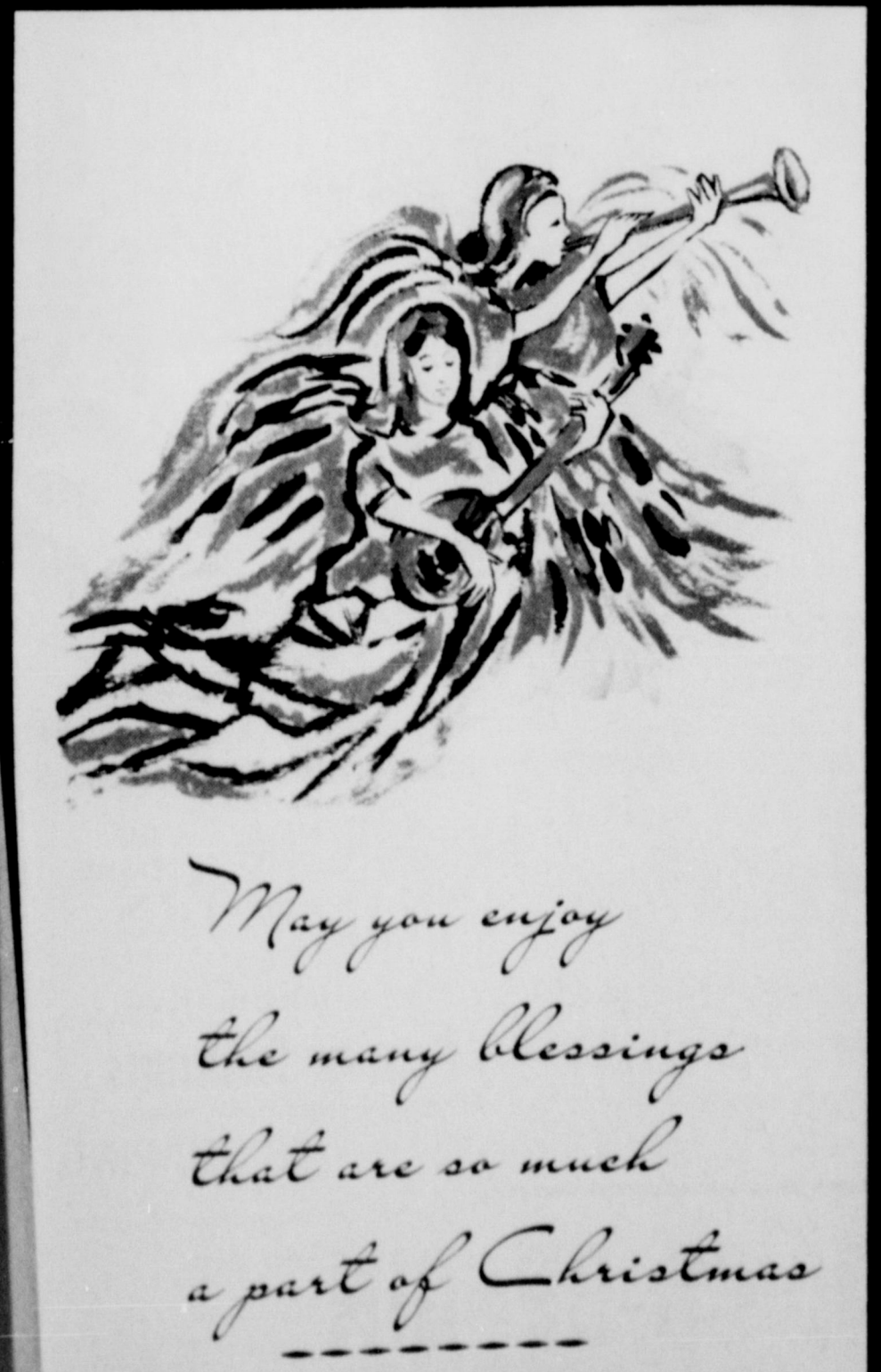


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## WTCC Presents Outstanding WT Scholar Awards In 1968

"Outstanding West Texas Scholar Awards" have been announced by J. Fike Godfrey, Spur, chairman of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce education committee.

The new awards are to be presented to not more than two students from each of the 490 high schools in West Texas. Selection will be made by school officials in each school on the basis of grade average, school and civic honors, offices held, membership in school and civic groups, and other special accomplishments.

To be eligible to win such an award, the student must be a senior student, have an impeccable character, demonstrate good citizenship characteristics and show aptitudes of leadership.

Nomination forms have been sent to all of the high schools

in the 132-county area of the WTCC and when final selections are made the awards will be presented in public ceremonies early in 1968.

"We feel that outstanding students in all schools should be publicly recognized for their contributions to the high aims and purposes of public education", Don Wooten, Abilene, WTCC president, said when the Board of Directors approved the awards.

"Though we would not detract from athletic achievement, we think that scholastic achievement should also be rewarded with appropriate notice by the public and the news media," he concluded.

### Christmas Seals Aid TB Crusade

Instead of a White Christmas, millions of people not so long ago had the White Plague, the White Plague was TB.

To combat this devastating illness, the National Tuberculosis Association was formed in this country at the turn of the century. In the same year - 1904 - the first Christmas Seal was created by a Danish postal clerk. Why not, he thought, urge people to buy a special stamp while their holiday spirit was soaring? The Danish postmaster liked the idea, and the King of Denmark asked his people to use the stamps on their Christmas cards and packages. The generous Danes responded with tremendous enthusiasm. Soon there was enough money to construct a children's tuberculosis hospital.

That was the beginning. The Seals came across the sea to people in America. The American Red Cross sponsored the first campaigns, and the Christmas Seal sported a single red cross. In 1910 the NTA joined forces with the Red Cross. A decade later, the TV Association had grown so that it could carry on the crusade alone. The Seal became a bright red double-barred cross. Soon it was a familiar part of the Christmas scene as well as an honored American tradition.

Today, a half-century later, the crusade goes on. The work of Christmas Seals through the years has helped to reduce TB drastically. But the crusade isn't over. About 30 million Americans are infected with TB germs, and nearly 100,000 persons have known, active TB. Christmas Seals still play a part in the struggle. But today they support more than the White Plague. Contributions help sponsor the struggle against respiratory disease and the special noxious effects of air pollution and smoking. The National Tuberculosis Association slogan sums up the struggle: "It's a Matter of Life and Breath."



KC JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM is shown with Coach Draper as they were practicing one day last week. First row, left, is Kathi Kent, Connie Gentry, Carol King, Jan Lankford, Karen Helms, Elizabeth Arnett, and Carol Speck. Second row is Manager Doris Howell, Jamie Grimsley, Rolanda Stubbs, Patricia Lewis, Mary Joe Campbell, Macella Montalvo, Terri Whitten, and Belva Penman. (Staff Photo)



THE KNOX CITY JUNIOR HIGH BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM is pictured above with their coach, James Draper. Kneeling (l to r) is David McGaughey, Brent Railsback, Leslie Fitzgerald, Bobby Reeves, Greg Clonts, Dean Bouldin, and Randy Park. Back row, David Woodall, Gary Hewitt, Alan Orr, Charlie Lieb, Kenny Woodall, Rodney Johnson, and Roland Marion. (Staff Photo)

## Christmas, Deadliest Holiday Of All, According To DPS

Christmas, with the deepest spiritual significance, is the deadliest holiday of all, according to Major Luther C. Moore, commanding the Northwest Region of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

"Ironically, Christmas achieves this terrible distinction precisely because we want it to be such a wonderful occasion," Major Moore says.

"It is a sentimental holiday. People will drive long distances for the traditional family reunion, undaunted by bad weather and road conditions. More travel - especially winter travel at highway speeds - means more accidents," the Major adds.

"It would be interesting to discover, in this era of jets and computers, what the word holiday means to most people. What is the first thing that flashes to mind when the word is mentioned? Time off from work? - A trip? - An excuse to celebrate? - Or a tragic accident toll?" Major Moore asks.

"Unfortunately, truthful ans-

wers probably would place all of those higher on the list than the true meaning of the holiday. And it's especially unfortunate that holidays must have an association with high accident tolls," the Major says.

"The joyous spirit of Christmas is too often sought in the liquid form. This deadly combination of the throttle and bottle many times turns rejoicing into deepest sorrow. Last year in Texas 38% of all rural fatal accidents involved a drinking driver," warns the Major.

Major Moore reported that the four most frequent violations in all rural fatal accidents are: (1) Speed too fast for conditions, (2) Driving while drinking, (3) Wrong side of road, and (4) Did not have right-of-way.

"We feel it is important to point out these facts as the Christmas holidays approach, in the hope that our fellow citizens will heed them as warning against doing the things that have caused fatal accidents all over the state," Major Moore said.

### Tax Requirements For Students

Students in Northern Texas who work part-time or summers may have a refund coming on their 1967 Federal income tax returns, Ellis Campbell, Jr., District Director of Internal Revenue said today.

Students are required to file a tax return if they earned \$600 or more. If they earned less than \$600 and taxes were withheld from wages by their employers, they should file a return in order to obtain a refund of the tax withheld from their wages.

Unmarried students who earn less than \$900 will not owe any Federal income tax. They are entitled to claim the usual \$600 personal exemption, plus a \$300 minimum standard deduction.

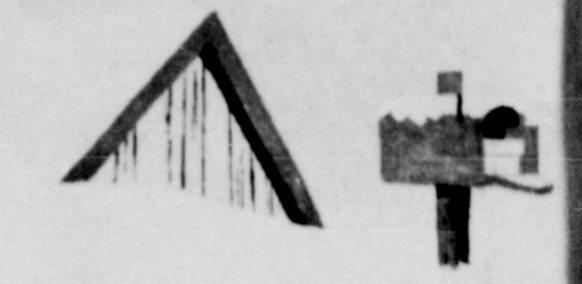
Students are entitled to claim their own personal exemption when filing a tax return, Mr. Campbell said. Parents who furnish more than one-half the cost of support for their child who is a full-time student may also claim an exemption on their tax return, unless the child is married and is filing a joint return with his or her spouse.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

### Taxes Top Household Costs

Taxes cost more than any other item in the household budget, says Tax Foundation, Inc. Americans work 2 hours and 2 minutes of every 8-hour working day to meet Federal, state and local taxes. More working time is required than last year in fact, six additional minutes are needed to meet taxes in 1967.

Other expenses include: housing and household operation, hour 25 minutes; food and tobacco, 1 hour and 14 minutes; transportation 40 minutes; clothing, etc., 30 minutes; recreation 18 minutes; medical 21 minutes; all other 1 hour and 14 minutes.



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## Smoking Is Bad Habit

Tar and feathers. A grisly, old combo. Nobody gets that treatment these days. Today there's another grim twosome. Tar and nicotine.

Cigarette smoking is the modern punishment, self-imposed. The body takes a beating. What causes the strain on the system is not clear. Hot smoke itself? Tar and nicotine? Nobody knows for sure. But smoking plays havoc with the lungs, the heart, and the set-up for survival.

The Surgeon General says smokers should stop. Lots have tried. Some have succeeded. Quitting, for others, seems out of the question. And, unfortunately, many anti-smoking clinics attract the type of troubled smoker who is least likely to quit. A surprising number of smokers, a recent study shows, use cigarettes to avoid feeling down in the dumps. Many smoke to relax. Or to feel alert. Some smoke from compulsion. Breaking these patterns is not easy.

Why are certain people more dependent on cigarettes than others? Experts at the First World Conference on Smoking and Health, held last September, were undecided about the reasons why. Some of the factors are certainly psychological. But many Conference experts stated their suspicion that nicotine may be a factor in inducing dependency.

Smoking and its contribution to chronic respiratory conditions is a major concern of your local tuberculosis and respiratory diseases association. Using Christmas Seals supports its activities, including the anti-smoking campaign. "It's a Matter of Life and Breath", after all.

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