



LET US BE THE FIRST  
TO WISH YOU

*A*  
MERRY  
CHRISTMAS

and to thank you for your fine  
friendships and patronage

MUNDAY RADIATOR SHOP  
H. L. Edrington

WITH ALL KIND THOUGHTS

for

*Christmas*

AND THE YULETIDE  
SEASON

We pause, too, for a moment with you to say,  
"Thanks" for everything.

O. V. MILSTEAD  
Welding & Blacksmith Shop

Letters To  
SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a dolly with a pink dress on. Please remember the other little boys and girls. I want a doll set, too.  
I love you,  
Annette Warren

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a boxing set and some spurs. I have been good. I love you.  
Thank you,  
Bill Warren

Dear Santa:  
I would like a new gun, a cap with ear-muffs, and a big red wagon.  
Be good to all the boys and girls.  
Love,  
Skipper Lane

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a dolly with a blue dress on. Please remember the other little boys and girls. I love you.  
Thank you,  
Frances Warren

Goree, Texas,  
Dec. 16, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a good little boy. Won't you please bring me a football and gum, a B. B. air rifle, with lots of B. B.'s, a cap gun and lots of candy, fruits and nuts. Don't forget my 3 sisters.  
Thank you,  
Robert Jackson

Goree, Texas,  
Dec. 14, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl six years old, and will start to school next year. Please bring me a bride doll with sleepy eyes, a set of dishes, and lots of fruit, candy and nuts.  
Thank you,  
Margaritte Jackson

Munday, Texas,  
Dec. 16, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl six years old. I started to school this year and like it fine.

Please bring me a magic skin doll in a little suit case with clothes. Also bring me a cradle and a rocking chair. I would like some candy, fruit and nuts.  
Remember all the other little boys and girls, too.

PLAY IT SAFE

Don't Mix Gaiety With Danger  
When Celebrating Christmas

While Christmas is the merriest of all seasons of the year it can also be a time of tragedy if certain hazards aren't avoided and some particular precautions taken.

The National Safety Council annually points out that the Christmas holidays are the most dangerous of the year, usually replete with casualties, home accidents, fires and falls.

The council has listed the following "don'ts" and precautions which if remembered will help make this Christmas season a safe one:

The Christmas tree shouldn't be placed near a stove or fireplace.

Don't give children any toys that could prove dangerous, such as those with sharp points. If toys are operated with electricity, be sure some grownup supervises their use.

The Christmas tree should not be decorated with lighted candles. Carefully-wired electric bulbs definitely are much safer.

Don't leave a lighted tree unguarded at any time. One should be on the lookout for fire all the time the tree is lighted. Especially dangerous is the practice of some families in leaving the Christmas tree lighted and unwatched all night long.

One should never use a rick-

ety, unsafe ladder in decorating the tree.

Don't place Christmas candles near the tree, curtains, paper wreaths or any other inflammable decorations.

Remember, the Christmas tree can be made fire-resistant. According to the United States forestry service, it can be done in this manner: Divide the weight of your tree by four and buy that many pounds of ammonium sulphate. Dissolve it in water—one and one-half pints of water to each pound of ammonium sulphate. Cut the end of your tree trunk on a diagonal. Put some of the solution in a jar and stick the diagonal butt of the tree into it. Add more solution as the tree drinks it up.

Don't be excessive about Christmas "spirits."

Keep toys out of places where people might trip over them.

Remove the tree from the house before it dries out.

During Christmas you'll probably have many guests, so sprinkle salt or sand on icy steps and sidewalks.

Your little friend,  
Joyce Marilyn Johnson

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a tractor set, a two-gun holster and a log cabin set.

Bring Frances a baby doll.  
Thank you,  
John B. Reneau, III

Munday, Texas  
December 19, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:  
I'm five years old and have

tried to be a nice little girl. Will you please bring me a stove, a new doll, some house shoes and color books. Bring me some fruit and nuts.

Remember the other little girls and boys.

Love,  
Mary Gulley

P. S. Please slip in a few candy kisses.

Mrs. Fred Broach, Sr. visited with relatives in Dallas last week.

Munday, Texas,  
Route 1

and a football.

Love

Ronald Clyde Yost

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy six years old. Have tried to be very good. Will you please bring me a big wagon.

Be careful. Observe state and local traffic laws.

for 1949  
Much  
Joy



RHOADS TEXACO  
STATION  
Clifford Rhoads

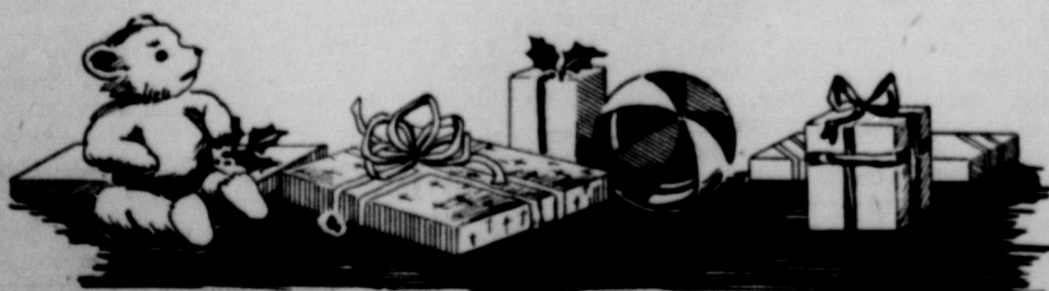
GOOD WISHES  
AND  
HEARTY GREETINGS  
for  
*Christmas*

May the season be one of utmost joy

filled overflowing with every happiness

your heart may desire . . . that is our

Christmas wish for each of you.



Reid's Hardware  
MUNDAY, TEXAS



IS IT POSSIBLE...? That another year has passed since the familiar sights of the Christmas season have greeted us at every turn? It seems that Old Santa just slips up on us a little faster each year, so we hasten to wish you a very Merry Christmas.

Baker-McCarty  
THE STORE WITH THE GOODS

## Build Safety Into Buildings On The Farm

Thousands of new farm homes have been built in Texas during the past few years and several times as many have been remodeled and plans were needed for all. If you are planning on building a new house or remodeling one, you'll want to give serious consideration in your plans to building safety into the structure, says W. S. Allen, extension agricultural engineer-

buildings of Texas A. and M. College.

Allen points to the number of accidents in the home and around the farmstead as his main reason for checking the plans for safety features. The addition of handrails to the stairways, and this applies to basement and cellar stairways as well as the barn, could prevent many falls. A handgrip placed on the wall over the bath tub is good insurance against a fall—for the tub is always wet and slippery and potentially dangerous.

He says the use of non-metallic light fixtures should be considered and that light switches in the bathroom should be placed



Christmas carols express better than anything else, probably, the true spirit of Christmas.

The word "carol" itself signifies joy and was originally used to accompany a dance. William Wallace Fyfe concludes that the term carol "signifies a song of joy or exultation." Another definition states: "A carol is a hymn of praise especially such as is sung at Christmas in the open air."

In England, which gave America most of its carols, they were sometimes gay and sometimes convivial until the time of the Puritans, who tried to suppress the Christmas spirit.

After the Restoration, the religious nature of the day was for a time almost forgotten in the reaction from Puritanism, and the carol was temporarily lost in the songs.

There are many quaint customs associated with the early carolers that might be used today to break the monotony of going from house to house singing Christmas hymns.

It was about the 16th century that caroling became a Christmas custom, and is supposed to have been brought to England from Italy by the traveling clergy. The first real Christmas carol is attributed to St. Francis of Assisi who made a model of the Bethlehem manger to help him tell his people the Christmas story.

The idea of caroling fitted admirably into the English conception of Christmas as a combination of religious celebration

and a great home day with neighborly feeling, so it grew and flourished in that country.

Little bands and groups of singers which sprang up in the towns and villages came to be known as "Waits." A natural explanation of the name seems to be that it refers to watching and waiting, for Christmas Eve is called the Vigil of Christmas.

As early as December 21, which is the day dedicated to St. Thomas, mummers and carolers would begin going from door to door, announcing the great feast at hand. It was natural for the householders to offer hospitality to these Christmas troubadours, and gradually in many places the custom of giving alms and presents of various kinds was established.

This benign custom threatened at one time in England to become a profession and to lose its original simple charm.

For a period beginning just when no one knows and ending in 1820, there were in London and Westminster companies of "Waits" whose leaders held office by public appointment and who obtained an exclusive right to solicit contributions from the public.

The carolers were often accompanied by entertainers who gave a spirit of revelry to the occasions. The mummers often interrupted the singing to give their interpretation of "St. George and the Dragon." Tumblers, dressed in bright red, would perform their arts of skill to entertain the onlookers.

beyond the reach of a person at the wash basin or in the tub. You need a medicine cabinet in the bathroom and it is a good idea to put one in that can be locked, especially when there are small children in the home.

Your plans should include good lighting for every room as well as around the farmstead. Be sure that you have plenty of electrical outlets throughout the entire house—it is much cheaper and easier to install them during construction than later. Injuries from shock and fire hazards can

be minimized by proper installation of electrical equipment that is kept in good repair. Allow in your wiring plans for the use of more electrical labor saving equipment, and this means on adequate wiring job for the farmstead.

Very few homes have ever provided too much storage or closet space, says Allen, but in many the lack of storage or closet space contributes to overcrowded closets, stairways and cluttered-up rooms and these create many accident hazards.

The heating system should be installed according to the Board of Fire Underwriter's specifications. If you are putting in a liquefied petroleum system, "butane", to most of us here in Texas, make sure that it installed according to the American Gas Association and National Board of Fire Underwriter's specifications and local regulations, says Allen.

Safety should be an important consideration of every member of the family, continues Allen, and the home and other buildings on the farm should be made into safe places in which to live, work and play. Allen suggests that you visit your county extension agents for bulletins and materials pertaining to planning farm homes and farm buildings from the safety standpoint.

The wise housewife will choose work clothing that has been designed for safety, comfort and convenience regardless of style.

Slash pine, bois d'arc, catalpa, Russian mulberry and green ash seedlings are available to landowners at cost for re-forestation and windbreak plantings from the Texas Forest Service, College Station, Texas.

For more than a century, cottonseed was regarded as waste material. It was considered of no value and cotton gins were built over streams in order that the seed might be easily washed away. Today cottonseed is an important crop in itself, for in 1949 the total commercial value of cottonseed amounted to \$400,259,000.

Old and badly battered milk cans or those with rust spots on the inside may cause, even the best of milk, to be graded down at the milk plant.

Be careful. Observe state and local traffic laws.

### How To Relieve Bronchitis

Creomulsion relieves promptly because it goes right to the seat of the trouble to help loosen and expel germ laden phlegm and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender, inflamed bronchial mucous membranes. Tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Creomulsion with the understanding you must like the way it quickly allays the cough or you are to have your money back.

**CREOMULSION** for Coughs, Chest Colds, Bronchitis

### KITCHEN KOMMENT

A discarded cotton pillow case slipped over the end of the ironing board will keep the board cover clean while non-color fast articles are ironed.

If cottons are scorched while ironing, plunge into cold water at once and allow to stand 24 hours. By that time the marks should have disappeared.

Here is a helpful sewing tip from a Georgia homemaker:

Cotton gauze is ideal for non-bulky, easily applied facing material.

Try using three cotton sheets in making your bed. The third one goes over the blanket to keep it clean, because it's much easier to wash sheets than to struggle with laundering blankets.

Prevention is the best and by far the cheapest method for controlling mastitis in the dairy

Plumbing fixtures are very heavy and strong supports are needed under the bathroom floor to support them.

**Dr. J. Douglas Lovelady**  
CHIROPRACTOR  
COLON THERAPY X-RAY  
511 East Nevada  
Farm to Market Road  
Phone 294-W



Season's Greetings

May all the wonderful things that go with Christmas be yours in the fullest abundance this year.



From all of us here to all of you—a most happy holiday.

## Blacklock Grocery and Market

Munday, Texas



Merry Christmas



The divinity of the season is surpassed only in the joy it brings to the hearts of men. Merry Christmas.

## Sharp Motor and Equipment Co.

Your MASSEY-HARRIS Dealer

## Best Wishes For The Christmas Season



Happy New Year



We'll be thinking well of you when the midnight bells peal in the glad New Year

## Hopkins and Trainham Laundry

(formerly Montgomery Laundry)

### Miss Patterson Is Member Of H-SU Cowgirl Band

Mauriece Patterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe P. Patterson of Munday, is a member of the Hardin-Simmons University Cowgirl Band.

The band, under the direction of H. Bryce Jordan, is one of the few all-girl organizations of its type in a co-educational school in the United States. It is composed of approximately forty girls who specialize in the show band style of entertainment.

Various types of music are combined when the group pre-

sents concerts at high schools and on tours. A variety of popular, semi-classical and novelty numbers provide entertaining programs.

An accordion soloist, vocal trio and the national VFW twirling champion are among the feature attractions. The band offers opportunities for girls to further their interests and education in band work.

Miss Patterson, a sophomore at H-SU, plays a French horn.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dingus of Freeport, Texas, came in the first of this week to spend the holidays with Bill's father and sister, G. W. Dingus and Merle, and with other relatives.

### Mrs. Jungman Is Hostess To No. 8 Luncheon Club

Mrs. H. F. Jungman was hostess to members of the No. 8 Luncheon Club for their annual Christmas party last Saturday evening in her home.

A fine Christmas dinner was served the guests being followed by a Christmas tree and the exchange of gifts. The remainder of the evening was spent in playing canasta.

Present for this delightful occasion were Mes. Georgia Maples, D. E. Holder, Sr., J. D. Crockett, P. V. Williams, Fred Broach, Sr., J. C. Borden, S. E. McStay, A. H. Mitchell and the hostess.

### Dorcas Class Has Christmas Party Last Thursday

Members of the Dorcas Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church were entertained with a Christmas party Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. W. O. Mayes.

Co-hostesses were Mrs. J. J. Keel and Mrs. C. W. Armstrong. The home was decorated with a Christmas theme for the occasion. Miss Lucy Stogner gave a prayer and each one present gave a bible verse.

Gifts were exchanged by members and the class presented a gift to the teacher, Mrs. Ed Thompson.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. C. N. Smith, Mrs. Ed Thompson, Miss Lucy Stogner, Miss Oma Norvill, Mrs. W. L. Lansford, Mrs. A. F. Reid, Mrs. Bridges, Mrs. J. C. Ewing, Mrs. C. M. Thompson, Mrs. Noble, Mrs. T. A. Brown and Mrs. C. R. Parker and the hostesses.


#### CORRECTION

In last week's edition of the Times, a local was run about Mrs. Ed Bell being a visitor in Abilene several days that week. This should have read that she was a visitor in Merkel and Odessa at the time.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Richmond and Neil spent last Sunday in Olney visiting with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Glenn Womble of Wichita Falls spent last Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Womble.

1949  
*Merry Christmas*



Let us welcome the season with open hearts and the music of carols.

**Merick McGaughey**  
County Superintendent

### Goree Bible Class Has Its Christmas Party Recently

The beautifully Christmas decorated home of Mr. and Mrs. Les Jameison was the meeting place for a Christmas party of the Goree Bible Study group with their husbands as guests.

A buffet dinner of chicken and dressing with all the trimmings was enjoyed by all. There was also the excitement of exchanging gifts. Then the group joined together in the singing of a number of Christmas carols and other songs.

Those present for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Orb Coffman, Mr. and Mrs. Barton Carl, Mr. and Mrs. James Carver, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Coffman, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Gaither, Rev. and Mrs. S. Y. Allgood, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Worham, Mrs. Reuben Bates, Mrs. Buster Coffman, Mr. and Mrs. Billie Hutchens and the hostess.

### Texas Leads In Correcting Vision Of Her Children

Texas is one of the few states in the United States which corrects the vision problems of its school children.

Dr. Darrell B. Harmon, director of the Division of Educational Services of the state department of health, has conducted an outstanding state-wide survey of visual problems of Texas school children, writes Albert Q. Maisel in the January Woman's Home Companion.

There are thousands of children in schools in America who have been labeled "dull" only because they cannot see properly. There are few states which have given thorough and effective tests to their children to test their eyesight. Texas is one of these states, states Mr. Maisel.

"The failure to adopt reasonable vision-testing practices," writes Mr. Maisel, "in most schools is part of the large failure to provide decent visual environment. School superintendents and school boards are a generation behind the present level of scientific knowledge about school construction, school lighting, classroom painting and desk arrangement."

### Activities Of The Colored People

A play, "The Christmas Pledge", was presented by members of the elementary department last Monday night with recitations and Christmas carols from the primary group. After the program, Santa Claus made his appearance and distributed gaily wrapped bags of goodies to each child.

Ten members were present in the regular meeting of the P. T. A. last Thursday night. Amount raised was \$13.00.

The hen, which was given away by the P. T. A., was won by Andrew Williams. Amount

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Moore and girls of Wichita Falls spent the week end and the first of this week here visiting with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Whittaker of Truscott were here last Monday, visiting with friends and attending to business matters.

Dr. D. C. Elland and Mrs. Dave Elland attended the funeral of Aaron Blanton in Lamesa last Sunday.

raised from this effort was \$10.40. This money will be used to equip our lunchroom with window shades.

*Your Christmas*



**MAY IT BE A GLORIOUS ONE**

As in the days of old, it is a genuine pleasure to say Merry Christmas to our friends and customers. May you have many more happy seasons, unbroken friendships and pleasant recollections of friendly associations that are of such importance to our way of life.

**Munday Livestock Commission Co.**  
**R. L. RATLIFF & SON**  
Munday, Texas



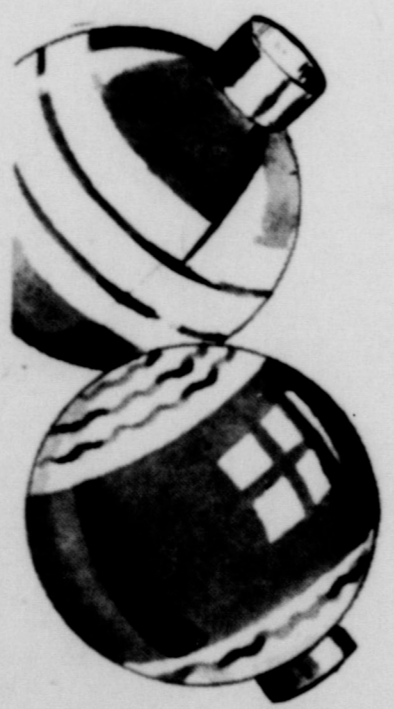
May the stars in the heavens shine as never before on your Christmas happiness this year.

**Gage Grocery**  
Carl Gage and Employees

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WE'VE searched everywhere to find some new way of expressing our greetings to you. Each selection we made was discarded and each time we came back to the old reliable, "Merry Christmas". It just fits the occasion perfectly and we see no reason to change it or to use any other expression.

So when we say, "MERRY CHRISTMAS" please remember that it is expressed with all the sincerity and appreciation we can think of for your loyalty and consideration in the past.



*A Merry Christmas*

**Munday Lumber Co.**  
"Your General Electric Dealer"



For somehow, not only at Christmas, but all the long year through, The joy that you give to others is the joy that comes back to you

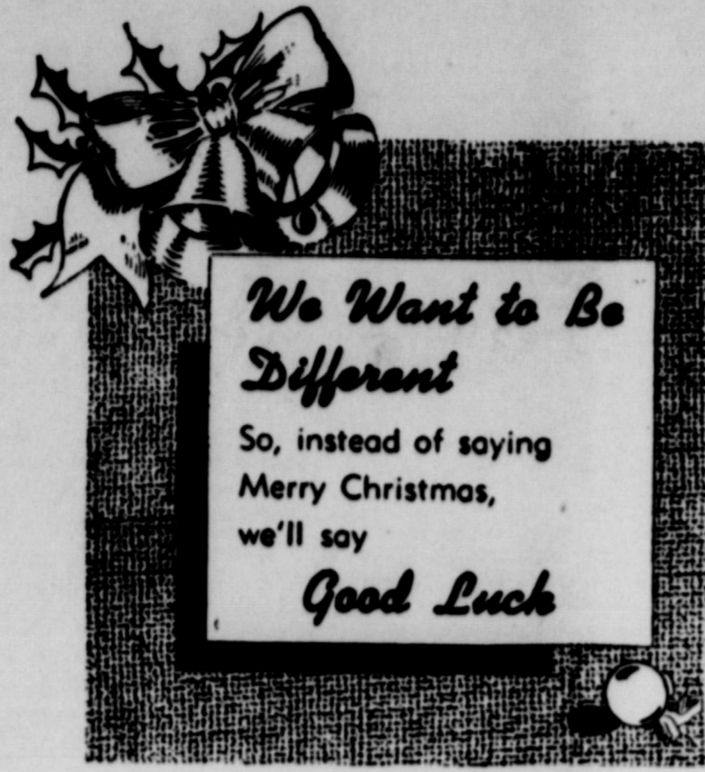
—JOHN GREENLEAF WHITTIER

**Martin's Dept. Store**  
MUNDAY, TEXAS



Christmas came from a light that glowed in a manger; shone in a star; and illuminated the soul of humanity. Christmas again sheds its gentle blessings so let us rededicate ourselves to Peace on Earth — Good Will Toward Men.

## Howell's Watch Shop



## Hi-Way Service

GENE BROWN

## Goree News Items

Mr. and Mrs. Orb Coffman went to Wichita Falls Sunday to meet their daughter, Mildred, who is home from school in Dallas to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Farris Cornelius of Oklahoma City, Okla., visited her aunt, Mrs. Ira Stalcup, Monday. They also visited an uncle, John Edwards of Seymour, who is in the hospital at this time. They were met in Seymour by Mrs. Cornelius' father, Victor Edwards of Austin.

Mrs. Oran Jones, the local telephone operator, returned home from the Wichita Clinic Hospital where she has been undergoing treatment for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Atkinson left Wednesday for points in Mississippi where they will spend Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Thompson and family of the Rio Grande Valley are visiting relatives in Goree and Munday this week.

Mrs. Leslie Treat was a Stamford visitor Monday.

Mrs. Gene Bingham of Plainview is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Farris Mobley this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Arnold of Fort Worth visited his brother, H. D. Arnold and family, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Edwards and children left Wednesday for Edenburg where they will spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. B. M. Edwards.

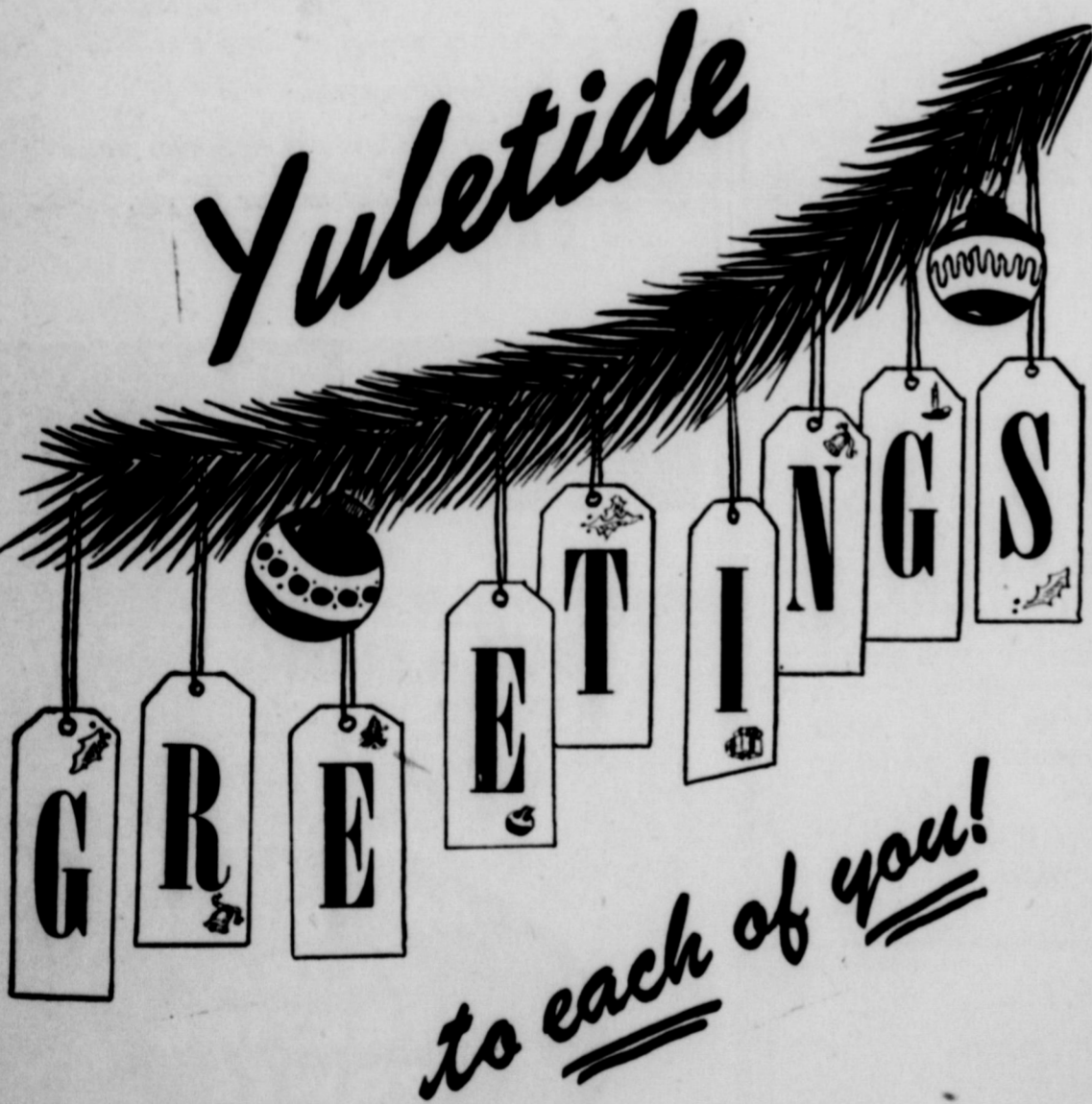
Tom Harlan was in Abilene this week on business. He also visited Mrs. Groves Cagge, who is critically ill in a hospital in Abilene.

Visiting in the homes of Cannon and Woodrow Roberts the past week were their sisters, Mrs. Leonard Banks of Fort Worth, Mrs. Ed Chapman, Talco; Mrs. Tom Oats, Skellytown and Mrs. Doyle Jacobs of Anson. They are also visiting their mother, Mrs. Eula Roberts, of Munday, who has been very ill for several days.

Billie Joe Roberts of the Air Corps and stationed in Montana, is also visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cannon Roberts.

Mrs. Dorothy May Seigler and son of Dundee visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moore, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cowsar and Lourena returned to their home



As you gather with your loved ones and friends at this gay season of the year, we want you to know our thoughts are with you and we are happy in your happiness. Season's Greetings to each of you!

## Eiland's Drug Store



A happy holiday to all.

Strickland Machine Shop

in Electra Tuesday after attending the funeral of Mrs. Cowsar's mother, Mrs. J. M. Moore, Monday.

Gloria Murdock of Lovington, New Mexico, and Mackey Murdock of Denton came in Tuesday to spend the holidays with home-folks.

Mrs. Aaron Edgar visited with her father, W. J. Bridge, and with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rogers near Quanah the latter part of last week.

## Services At Area Churches

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Munday, Texas  
Huron A. Poinac, pastor

Sunday School ----- 10:00 A. M.  
Morning Worship --- 11:00 A. M.  
Training Union ----- 6:30 P. M.  
Evening Worship --- 7:30 P. M.

### CHURCH OF GOD

Rev T. J. Lightfoot, Pastor  
Sunday school ----- 10:00 a. m.  
Morning service ----- 11:00 a. m.  
Sunday night service, 7:30 p. m.  
The Church With a Welcome to All.

### GOREE BAPTIST CHURCH

S. E. Stevenson, pastor  
10:00 a. m. ----- Sunday School  
11:00 a. m. ----- Preaching  
6:00 p. m. ----- B. T. U.  
7:00 p. m. ----- Preaching  
Brother C. E. Roberson of Howard Payne College, Brownwood will preach for us Sunday morning and in the evening service.

We extend a cordial invitation to all. Come worship with us.

### FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

R. L. Butler, Pastor  
Church school ----- 10 a. m.  
Morning worship -- 10:55 a. m.  
Vesper service ----- 6 p. m.  
W. S. C. S. Mondays ----- 4 p. m.  
M. Y. F. Sunday ----- 7 p. m.

### CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday Services  
Bible Study ----- 10:00 a. m.  
Preaching ----- 11:00 a. m.  
Communion ----- 11:45 a. m.  
Bible Study ----- 6:30 p. m.  
Preaching ----- 7:15 p. m.

Wednesday  
Singing and Bible Study ----- 7:00 p. m.  
Welcome to every service regardless of creed or color.  
D. L. ASHLEY, Minister

## BENJAMIN NEWS

(Elda Paul Laird, Reporter)

Mrs. Wynelle Porter, Miss Omitene Barnett and Pete Barnett were in Vernon Wednesday of last week shopping.

Mrs. P. W. Laird and son, Bryson, were in Munday and Knox City, Thursday of last week shopping and on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Porter Sr. and Mrs. Cox all of Seymour, visited in the home of Mrs. W. A. Barnett and family Sunday of this week.

Miss Sue Moorhouse, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Moorhouse, returned Friday of last week

for the Christmas holidays. Miss Moorhouse is a senior of Stephens College in Missouri.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth B. Watking of Vinita, Oklahoma are here for the holidays. They are visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gallo-way and other relatives and friends.

### BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Patterson, Jr. last Saturday, December 17th, at the Knox County Hospital. He has been given the name of Boyd Bert and tipped the scales at nine pounds. Both mother and little son are reported doing fine.



## HAPPY HOLIDAY

to all of you.  
May no cloud appear to disturb its serenity.



**BEST WISHES**  
1949

## Banner Produce

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Morrow



The past year was a very pleasant one for us and we sincerely appreciate all you have done to make it so. May your every wish be fulfilled to complete your happiness on this glad occasion, that's our Christmas wish for you and yours.

## The Fair Store

The Christmas Store --- Munday, Texas  
George and Sam Salem and Families

# Buy, Sell, Rent, Lease or Exchange It Through . . . The Times Want Ads

**Innerspring Mattresses**—We are now able to fill all orders for innerspring mattresses. There's none better at any price. Also plenty of ticking in stock for any kind of mattress you need. Home Furniture Co. and Mattress Factory 2-tf.

**WANTED**—Gravel hauling. See Joel Morrow at Morrow's Gulf Station. 4-tf

FOR —  
**Polio Insurance**  
SEE J. C. HARPHAM  
Insurance, Loan, Real Estate

LET US—Give you wheel alignment service with our new Beat machine. Makes driving safer! Munday Truck & Tractor Co. 5-tf

FOR SALE—Used Ford tractors, all worth the money. If interested in a used tractor, it will pay you to see us. J. L. Stodghill. 33-tf.

**KRAUSE PLOWS**—We can make immediate delivery on 8, 10, 12, and 15 foot Krause plows. Munday Truck & Tractor Co. 32-tf.

**FOR SALE**—Sealed bids wanted on sale of one house, 28x30 feet, located in Goree, to be moved. Bids will be opened January 3. We reserve the right to reject any and all bids. Mail bids to J. L. Cloud or C. C. Cunningham, Goree, Texas. 20-3tp

**FOR SALE**—Factory rebuilt Remington noiseless typewriter. Also Remington typewriter for rent. The Munday Times.

**FOR SALE**—9x12 wool rug. Mrs. Irene Meers, Munday, Texas. 20-2tp

**LOST**—1947 Chevrolet truck wheel and 8.25 tire. Lost December 15 between Knox City and my home. \$5 reward if returned to Gene Michels or the Munday Times. 1tp

**FOR SALE**—Army surplus Clerac, in A-1 condition. Will sell at a bargain. J. L. Stodghill. 21-tf

**MUNDAY TRUCK & TRACTOR CO.**  
THE FARMALL HOUSE  
PHONE 81

NEW EQUIPMENT  
We can make delivery on the following new machinery:  
New MD Farmall tractor.  
New M Farmall tractors  
New H Farmall tractors  
New C Farmall tractors  
New International and Krause one-ways in all sizes.  
New International Refrigerators at new low prices. Also home freezers.  
**WE WILL TRY TO TRADE USED CARS AND TRUCKS**  
1939 Chevrolet 2-door at a real bargain.  
942 Ford deluxe 2-door with 100 h. p. engine.  
**Used Tractors And Machinery**  
1945 Oliver 70 tractor with equipment. Priced to sell.  
One 1945 M tractor, with or without new 4-row equipment.  
One 1946 M tractor, with or without new 4-row equipment.  
One 1947 M tractor, with or without new 4-row equipment.  
One regular Farmall.  
We have a nice selection of used International and John Deere one-ways, in all sizes.  
Come in—we will try to trade!  
**NAVY OIL**  
35 cents per gallon in barrel lots—barrell free!  
**LET'S TRADE BATTERIES**  
Your old battery is worth \$3.50 on a new Auto-Lite or Goodrich quality battery.  
We have new factory-built Plymouth motors in stock.

**Prudential FARM LOANS**

- ✓ Low Interest
- ✓ Long Term
- ✓ Fair Appraisal
- ✓ Prompt Service

**J. C. Harpham**  
Insurance, Real Estate And Loans  
MUNDAY, TEXAS  
Authorized Mortgage Loan Solicitor For The Prudential Insurance Company of America.

**John Hancock Farm And Ranch Loans!**

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**MAKE SURE**—You can steer sure enough. Get a Bear wheel alignment check-up today. Munday Truck & Tractor Co. 5-tf

**INNERSPRING MATTRESSES**—We are now able to fill all orders for innerspring mattresses. There's none better at any price. Also plenty of ticking in stock for any kind of mattress you need. Home Furniture Co. & Mattress Factory 2-tf

**STOP QUICK**—A split second may make the difference between life and death. Let us make your car safe with our new Bear System service. Munday Truck & Tractor Co. 5-tf

**HAVE YOU**—Seen all the free merchandise at the Firestone store? Just ask for it. Firestone Store. 19-tf

**FOR SALE**—New this fall, two John Deere cotton strippers, mounted on John Deere Model A tractor. \$1,000 complete or \$500 for strippers. See Troy Ray, Box 82, Lockney, Texas, or phone 9504. 20-2tf

**CANASTA**—The new card game. is gaining in popularity. Get your Canasta cards at The Munday Times. 12-tf

**NOW IN STOCK**—Speedball sets Esterbrook fountain pens. Scrip pencils. Columbia arch files thumb tacks, paper punches etc. See our line of office supplies. The Munday Times. 13-tf

**ELECTROLUX**—Vacuum cleaners price \$69.75. For free demonstrations, sales, service and supplies, see or write W. H. McDonald, Farmers National Bank Building, Box 668 Seymour, Texas. 22-tf

**SHIRT POCKET**—Protractors and ladies' cuffettes now in stock. The Munday Times. 12-tf.

**FOR SALE**—5-room house and bath in Goree. See Virgil Edwards, Goree Texas. 19-tf

**CHRISTMAS BUILDING VALUES**

- 2x4's and 2x6's --- \$5.50 to 8.95
- 1x8 Shiplap ----- 7.95
- 15 lb. Felt ----- 3.00
- 1x8 "D" Grade Drop Siding ----- 14.50
- Nail by Keg ----- 8.95
- 42% Off on All Wall Paper
- 210 lb Composition, Roofing 4.90 (Close Out in Grey, Brown and Green)
- 75 MILE FREE DELIVERY All Prices Are Cash

Experienced personnel to figure your bill and save you money. We will not be undersold. CALL, WIRE, OR COME IN **LOANE STAR LUMBER AND BUILDERS SUPPLY** 1818 Pine—Phone 4381 Abilene, Texas 19-2tc

**ZIPPER**—Notebooks now in stock at The Munday Times. 12-tf.

**WANTED**—Clean cotton rags. No khaki or silk. Will pay 12½ cents per pound. Munday Truck and Tractor Co. 40-tf.

**SCRATCH PADS**—Bound and perforated. Ideal for figuring Ten cents each. The Munday Times. 30-tf.

**AVOID DANGER**—That results from improper wheel alignment and poor brakes. We can fix your car with our new Beat machine. Munday Truck & Tractor Co. 5-tf

**KRAUSE PLOWS**—We can make immediate delivery on 8, 10, 12 and 15 foot Krause plows. Munday Truck & Tractor Co. 32-tf.

FOR —  
**Polio Insurance**  
SEE J. C. HARPHAM  
Insurance, Loans, Real Estate

**WANTED**—Clean cotton rags. No khaki or silk. Will pay 12½ cents per pound. Munday Truck and Tractor Co. 40-tf.

**THE IDEAL**—System of business and tax records. Handy for keeping complete record of business. We have them for farm and ranch, beauty and barber shops, cafes and restaurants, garages and service stations, and general business. The Munday Times. 28-tf

**FOR SALE**—654 acre Baylor County Choice Sandy Land Farm, west of Seymour, with 567 acres in cultivation, owner says sacrifice and sell at balance bgw vbkg bgk bgkqj \$80.00 per acre, with 1/3 down, balance 15 years at 5%, immediate possession.

400 acre Sandy Land Baylor County Farm, 2 sets of improvements, good well of water, with 200 acres in cultivation, 200 acres leased for oil to major company, owner says sacrifice this place at \$50.00 per acre, immediate possession.

320 acre farm, 2 improvements, all cultivation, northwest of Seymour, \$150.00 per acre.  
We have other farms and grass lands priced worth the money.  
**BUNKLEY & JONES, SEYMOUR, TEXAS.** 20-2tc

**TO BE A SAFE DRIVER... YOU NEED A SAFE CAR!**

**BEAR THE BANNER OF SAFETY**

All the driving skill in the world won't save you when your brakes fail to hold, your steering fails or poor headlights blind your way. You can Bear the Banner of Safety by having your headlights, brakes and steering checked at least twice a year. Why not start TODAY!

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- Watch Repairs
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- 3-day Service
- Reasonable Prices

All Work Guaranteed

**Robert L. Howell**  
Located in Rexall Drug Store  
Munday, Texas

Burning is an easy but wasteful way to tidy up the home premises of fallen leaves but it is not the best. Use them in the compost pile.

**FOR SALE**—6x8 foot gravel dump truck. See A. E. Bowley 21-2tc

**WANTED**—A job on a farm, boll pulling, tractor driving, etc. W. M. Burnett, 2 miles east of Munday, Texas. 19-3tp

**HOG KILLING**—Large hogs, \$2.50; medium hogs, \$2.00 Located in 500 block of Third street, Knox City. Judd Jeffrey. 19-3tp

**NEED PROPERTY?**—When in need of farms, or city property in Goree, see J. B. Justice, Goree, Texas. 42-tf.

**BUY YOUR**—toys now on LAY-AWAY at White Auto Store, Munday, Texas. 10-tf

**TRACTOR FOR HIRE**—Any type plowing or general work. Phone 137-J or write Box 362, Munday, Texas. Ben A. Wilde. 13-tf

**J. E. CULVER—REAL ESTATE SEYMOUR, TEXAS**

700-acre stock farm, half in cultivation, good improvements, on pavement. 250-acre wheat crop goes with this deal. Price \$75.00 per acre. Will stand heavy loan. This is one of the better farms. Good oil possibilities.

160 acres with 65 acres in cultivation, adjoins the townsite. Is an ideal place for trader or dairy, every kind of improvements imaginable. Will take small farm or home in trade. Price \$105.00 per acre. Immediate possession. Has \$8,000 loan on it.

230 acres, about 20 acres not in cultivation, no improvements. About 10 miles east of Munday. Price \$65.00 per acre.

J. E. Culver, Seymour, Texas, or W. E. Blankenship, Goree, Texas. 18-tf

FOR —  
**Polio Insurance**  
SEE J. C. HARPHAM  
Insurance, Loans, Real Estate

**DR. J. E. O'HAIR**  
Optometrist

Practice devoted to eye examination, analysis and prescription of glasses.  
Seymour Hotel Building  
SEYMOUR, TEXAS  
For Appointment—Phone 193

**Remember!**  
**Munday Blacksmith & Welding Shop**  
ANDREW WILLIAMS, Blacksmith  
Portable Arc And Acetylene Welding  
Corner 6th Ave. & G St.  
JOHN E. NELSON, Owner

FOR —  
**Polio Insurance**  
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**ADDING MACHINE** Paper now in stock, 15 cents per roll. The Munday Times. 43-tf.

**FOR YOUR**—Merle Norman Cosmetics, see Mrs. A. E. Richmond at Richmond Jewelry Store, Munday, Texas. 50-tf.

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**INSURANCE**  
FIRE, WINDSTORM HAIL, AUTOMOBILE and LIFE  
Since 1925

**J. C. BORDEN AGENCY**  
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**DON'T WAIT Too Long**

The time to plan your future is now, while you're young, insurable and the cost is lowest.

**J. C. Harpham Insurance Agency**  
Monday—Knox City  
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**LIFE • ACCIDENT • HEALTH • HOSPITALIZATION**

The warmth of spirit that accompanies every Christmas season is with us again in 1949. Our wish is that you can participate to the fullest in a universal MERRY CHRISTMAS

**Stanley Wardlaw Appliance Co.**

160 acres with 65 acres in cultivation, adjoins the townsite. Is an ideal place for trader or dairy, every kind of improvements imaginable. Will take small farm or home in trade. Price \$105.00 per acre. Immediate possession. Has \$8,000 loan on it.

**The night before Christmas...**

Few experiences surpass in beauty that hush of wonderful expectancy that falls over the home on Christmas eve. This season of 1949 holds that in store for you.

**BRAZELL & CUDE MOTOR SERVICE**

COME IN PLEASE GO OUT PLEASE

ALL WORK GUARANTEED  
BOX 352 PHONE 242-J NIGHT PHONE 307R

**BUY a Master Duty Willard**

**40% to 71% EXTRA STARTING POWER**

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**for Quick Starts...Long Life**

LIBERAL TRADE IN ALLOWANCE FOR YOUR OLD BATTERY

**Munday Auto Parts**  
Just East of Atkison's

### LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:  
For Christmas please bring me a B. B. gun bicycle and basket

ball.  
Thank you.  
Your friend,  
Jerry Nolan

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a two-gun set, B. B. gun and football.  
Carl Ray Kilcrease

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a B. B. gun, cowboy suit and boots.  
David Davis

Dear Santa Claus:  
For Christmas bring me a two-gun set.  
Thank you,  
Ramon Martinez

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a doll and bicycle.  
Ruth Arguyo

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a two-gun set, bi-cycle, firecrackers, and slide.  
Rex Browning

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a two-gun set.  
Tiodoro Perez

Dear Santa:  
For Christmas I want a bicycle basket.  
Dennis Wallace

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a B. B. gun and basketball.  
George Booe, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:  
For Christmas please bring me a Toni doll and baton.  
Thank you,  
Linda Nell Guinn

Dear Santa Claus:  
For Christmas please bring me a Toni doll and baton.  
Thank you,  
Wanda Gail Guinn

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a bicycle, negro chasers and basketball.  
Albert Daniels

Dear Santa:  
For Christmas please bring me a bicycle and negro chasers.  
Thank you,  
Albin Daniels

Dear Santa Claus:  
For Christmas I want a B. B. gun, bicycle and basketball.  
Thank you,  
Jerry Nolan

Dear Santa:  
Bring me a bicycle please.  
David Alvarez

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a nice boy this year. Please bring me a B. B. gun, and a bicycle if you can. Bring my sister, Rita Jean, a doll and a tricycle. Oh, yes, don't forget my niece, Sylvia Ann Flores. I love you, Santa. Merry Christmas to you.  
Love,  
Eddie Martinez

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl four years old. I have been very good this year. I would like for you to bring me an electric stove, an ice box, a doll with blond hair, a set of dishes and aluminum set of pots and pans. For my little brother, J. W. who is two years old, I would like for you to bring him a tractor, which he can drive, some trucks and cars, and a gun.  
Santa, please don't forget Daddy and Mama, and my three older sisters.  
Love,  
Johnnye Elaine Michels

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl seven years old and in the second grade. I have been very good the past year and would like for you to bring me a doll, doll bed a new gun and holster set, cowgirl suit with fruits and nuts and don't forget all my little playmates.  
Love,  
Sandy Sue Stubblefield

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl 2 1/2 years old and my name is Judy Ann Meinzer and I also have a little sister, Penny Kaye, 1 year old. Please bring us a doll and doll buggy and some dishes, also some fruits, candy and nuts.  
Love,  
Judy and Penny Meinzer

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl two years old and I have been a pretty good little girl.  
I would like for you to bring me a tricycle, doll, doll high

chair, set of dishes, house slippers and a house coat.

Santa, I would like for you to bring me some candy, nuts and fruit, also. Please don't forget other little boys and girls.  
Yours truly,  
Lynnell Jetton,  
Goree, Texas

Munday, Texas,  
Dec. 19, 1949

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl. I will be two years old in March. I am a very good little girl, so am asking for a doll, some dishes, a telephone, some pull toys, and candy and fruit.

Your little friend,  
Sharon Kay Lain

Munday, Texas,  
Dec. 20, 1949

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy three years old. I have been a good boy, so will you please bring me a football a gun, a truck, a tractor, some house shoes, and candy, fruit and nuts.

Your little friend,  
Danny Lee Lain

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a Toni doll and a ball and some dishes and a play piano and a bathinette and a baton.  
Please remember Baby Sue.  
Love,  
Jerrylin

### LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Mahan and children of Seymour were here Friday. They were enroute to Wellington to spend the week end with Mr. McMahan's mother, Mrs. J. A. Mahan.

Mrs. Mari Belle LaFrance of Vera has accepted a position in the Ideal Beauty Shop. She formerly comes from Seymour and is known by many people in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Sappy Bowley and son of Big Spring came in last week end to spend several days visiting relatives and friends in Munday and Seymour

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a boy and a girl twin doll, and a secretary desk. Stand and oil paints.  
Dianna Gaither

### TO DODGE SHOWING

J. E. Reeves and Clay Hutchinson spent Friday in Oklahoma City, where they attended the preview showing of the new 1950 Dodge cars. The new cars are expected to go on display at dealers' showrooms sometime in January.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Plummer and Mrs. M. S. Plummer of Seymour were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Scott and Jerry last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mouldon and children of Snyder spent last Sunday visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ehlers and children.

### HERE FOR THE HOLIDAYS

H. W. (Tito) Herrell of Mexico City came in last week to spend the Christmas holidays with his wife and children and with Mrs. Harrell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Moore. Mrs. Harrell and children have been visiting here for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Denham and Nancy of Pittsburg, Kans. are spending the holidays here with Mrs. Denham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Hannah.

Mrs. and Mrs. Sidney Lee of Fort Worth spent the week end here with Sidney's mother and brother, Mrs. O. W. Lee and Harvey Lee.



Christmas

Let us give thanks together for the priceless gift of Christmas

1949

FIDELIA MOYLETTE  
D. C. Ph. C.

**CORDIAL GREETINGS**

To Every One of Our Friends at Christmastime

BANNER CREAMERIES  
Munday, Texas



OUR WARM AND SINCEREST GREETINGS GO OUT TO YOU AT THIS HAPPIEST SEASON OF THE YEAR.

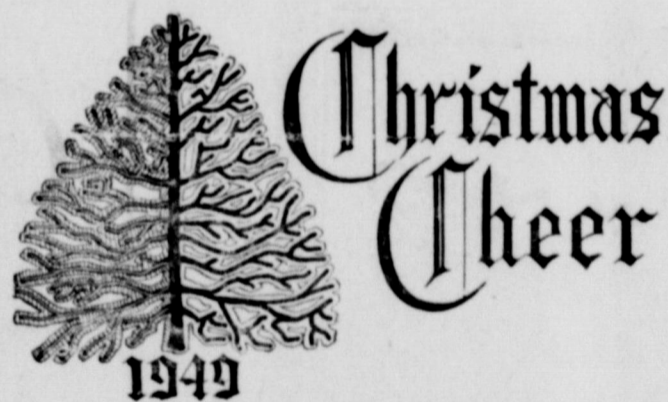
**Bell and Bell**  
Blacksmith Shop



**Holiday Greetings**

May you have many pleasant surprises this Christmas--may it be a season long to be remembered

Mr. and Mrs.  
W. C. Beavers



Top of the season to you. May your happiness be as plentiful as the gifts you give.

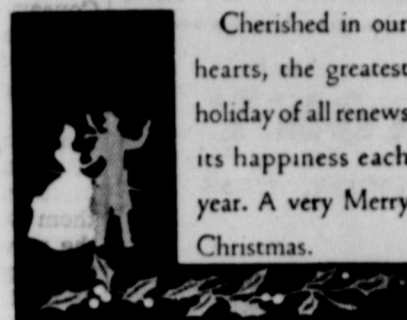
Let us add a word of appreciation for your patronage during the past year.

**RIGHT-WAY BODY and PAINT SHOP**

Back of Atkinson's H. W. NANCE

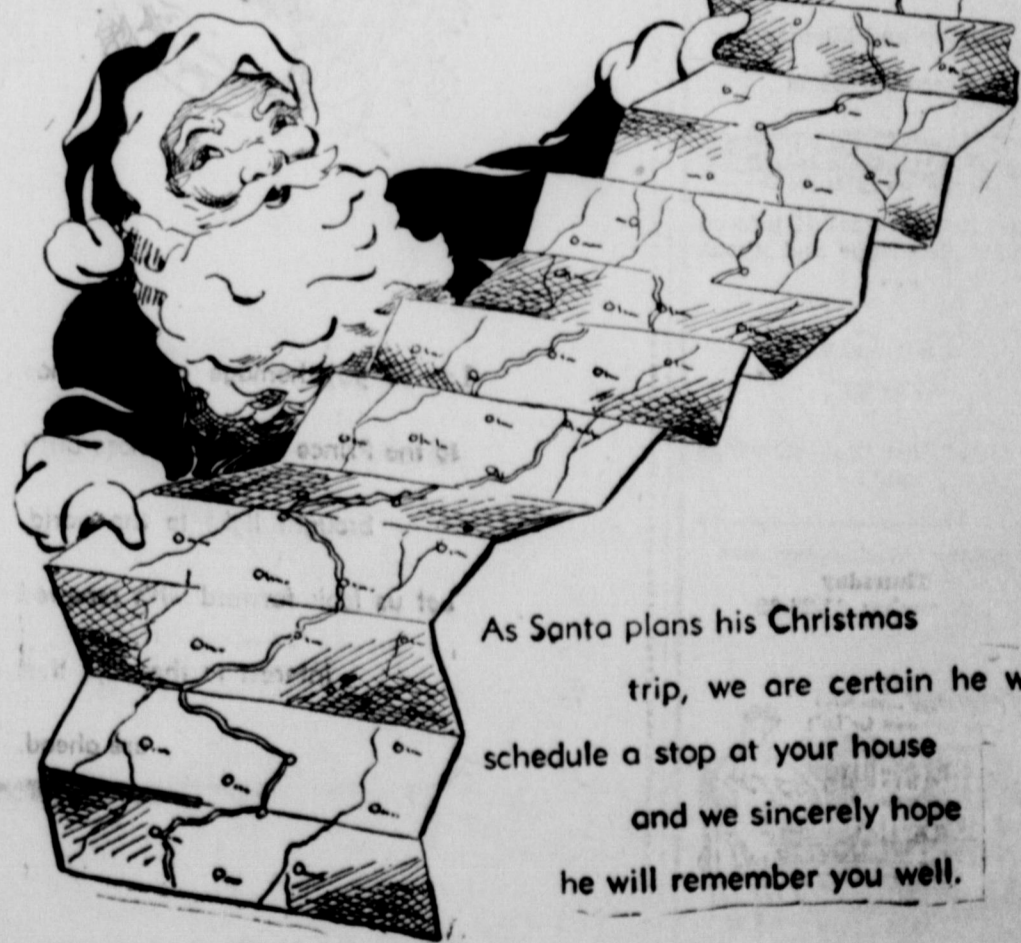


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WRECKING YARD



**City Grill**  
The T. J. and D. W. Mitchells

**Santa's Route to Happiness**



The Wade Mahans

The G. B. Hammetts

The Charles McCauleys

Be careful. Observe state and local traffic laws.



**Ideal Beauty Shop**

**ROXY**

MUNDAY, TEXAS

Friday, December 23

Saturday Matinee

Gene Autry in another thrilling adventure . . .

**"Sons of Mexico"**

Plus CHAPTER 7 of the "GHOST OF ZORRO" and "RAGTIME BEAR."

Saturday Morning

Dec. 24th—10 a. m.

OUR ANNUAL

**Christmas Show**

FOR THE KIDDIES!

All your fun favorites! Free popcorn!

Saturday Night

**"Thieves' Highway"**

Starring Richard Conte, Lee J. Cobb, Jack Oakie and Barbara Lawrence.

Added: "TOY TROUBLE" and "ENGLISH OUTING"

Sunday and Monday

December 25-26

**Special CHRISTMAS SHOW**

Just look at what Hope's up to now! Bob Hope and Rhoda Fleming in . . .

**"The Great Lover"**

One of the first showings in West Texas!

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday  
December 27-28-29

"LIL' WHITE RUST" and more!

**The Gal who Took the West**

Presented by DOUG CARLO · COBURN and BRADY · RUSSELL

**FARM NEWS**  
From the County PMA Committee

**CONSERVATION AND PRICE SUPPORTS A TEAM**

Soil and water conservation, teamed with price supports have provided the foundation upon which the tremendous increase in agricultural production of the past 12 years has been built, says B. F. Vance, chairman of the Texas Production and Marketing Administration Committee.

Production has increased greatly due largely to increased per-acre yields, he points out. Production in 1948 was up 40 percent over the 1935-39 period and 51 percent over the 1923-32 period. Conservation and price supports, says the chairman have worked as a team to help bring about this increase.

Soil and water conservation has checked erosion and waste of water and at the same time has built up the productivity of the land. Land improved through conservation is supporting the increased yields from hybrid improved varieties, improved insect and disease control methods, and the increased efficiency resulting from improved machinery and cultural methods.

The stimulating force is conservation, he points out, is the financial assistance provided to farmers through Agricultural Conservation Program. More than half the farmers in the United States are cooperating in this program.

PMA Price support programs, the chairman explains, have given farmers assurance of a fair price which in turn has provided them with confidence in using the newer and better methods of farming and improved varieties of seed. "Assured a fair price," says the chairman, "farmers have dared to go ahead with changes in their farming methods and new varieties of seed, new chemicals and improved machinery. They have had price protection that has made progress possible."

**CC OFFERS TO GUARANTEE GRAIN STORAGE OCCUPANCY IN AREAS WHERE STORAGE IS SHORT**

Details of a Commodity Credit

Department officials stated Corporation to encourage construction of commercial warehouse facilities for the storage of grain in areas where such storage is inadequate were announced today by the Production and Marketing Administration, U. S. Department of Agriculture. Under the program (preliminary announcement of which was made last August) the CCC will enter into storage agreements with cooperative associations and other commercial warehousing agencies guaranteeing use of 75 percent of the new storage capacity for a period of 3 years in completely new storage structures, and for a period of 2 years in new additions to existing storage structures.

Commodity Credit Corporation will not finance grain elevator construction. However, the Bank for Cooperatives (Farm Credit Administration) is authorized by Section 417 of the Agricultural Act of 1949 to finance up to 80 percent of the cost of construction of new storage facilities built by cooperatives which have received a commitment under this program.

Storage occupancy agreements Act of 1949 to finance up to 80 percent of the cost of construction of new storage facilities built by cooperatives which have received a commitment under this program.

Storage occupancy agreements with both cooperatives and other commercial warehousemen will provide that 75 percent of the storage capacity be reserved for grain which may be tendered by CCC or by farmers for storage for their account. The rates in effect under the Uniform Grain Storage Agreement of CSC will be paid for grain stored in these facilities by CCC. If less than 75 percent of the facility is used, the CCC will pay 10 cents a bushel for the first year, 9 cents for the second, and 8 cents for the third, or the unused portion of the 75 percent of capacity. This is less than the amount paid for grain storage because of the savings in insurance, handling, and labor charges accruing to the warehousemen when storage space is not filled.

**Truck Drivers Have Record Of Road Safety**

Holiday driving calls for every day thinking!

"So, take a tip from the country's safest drivers, the professional truck drivers, and drive more safely during the next few days" Fred Gillette, President of the Texas Motor Transportation Association, said today.

"The average over-the-road driver and even some city truck drivers cover more than three times as many miles as the average passenger car driver so they are in a good position to offer some holiday driving advice," he said.

Professional truck drivers realize that winter driving calls for everyday thinking plus experience to cope with the special problems of winter. For example, they know that it takes from three to twelve times as long to stop on slick, wet pavement as it does on dry surfaces. For safe holiday driving, certain precautions should be taken.

Among other things, for safe holiday driving, your car should be in top mechanical condition. The professional truck driver is required to see that his truck is in perfect mechanical condition all year 'round, and such things as heater, brakes, windshield wipers, and defroster are given special attention during the winter months. The windshield wiper is especially important in light of the fact that statistics prove that one out of every 5 fatal motor vehicle accidents are caused by the driver's vision being obscured. And, about two-fifths of these accidents are caused by rain, sleet, or snow on the windshield and rear window.

An additional hazard of holiday driving is the tipsy pedestrian and motorist, therefore, the careful motorist like the professional truck driver, should be constantly on the alert for them during the coming holiday season. Mr. Gillette concluded.

C. R. Elliott was a business visitor in Wichita Falls the latter of last week.

that storage near the point of production was desired and country elevator construction would be preferred to terminal or sub-terminal construction. It was further indicated that in contrast to bulk grain handling facilities, which are short in many sections of the country, "flat" storage facilities are generally adequate though the Department is considering programs for expansion of peanut and cottonseed storage facilities in some areas.

All persons or organizations interested in negotiating contracts for storage occupancy in new structures in accordance with the program announced today should consult the local county or State PMA committee. Applications when completed, together with State and county recommendations should be forwarded to the Transportation and Warehousing Branch, PMA, Department of Agriculture Washington, D. C.

**Merry Christmas**

MEANS A LOT OF THINGS

Gladness in the heart;  
Merriment and true content,  
Friendship's golden memories  
and Peace and Good Will,  
May the season bring all  
these to you bounteously.

May it be  
a day that brings  
real joy  
and gladness to  
your heart.

**J. E. GRAY**  
YOUR McNESS DEALER  
Knox City, Texas

**Lee A. Parks Garage**  
Munday, Texas

**Firestone**

Brings You Real Bargains In Christmas Gifts

If you have not made your final selections for Christmas giving, come in and see the low prices on our Bargain Counter.

Here you will find gifts that are useful and practical—and the prices will please you.

**Merry Christmas!**

We take this means of expressing our appreciation for your wonderful patronage during the year, 1949, and we wish you . . .

Every Happiness at Christmas and Through the New Year!

**Blacklock Home & Auto Supply**  
"Your FIRESTONE Dealer"



Let us pay homage at Christmas  
to the Prince of Peace whose birth  
brought light to the world.  
Let us look forward with renewed  
interest to the days that  
are ahead.

**Wm. CAMERON & CO.**  
Phone 56  
Munday, Texas



**Howards Laundry**



### LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:  
I want a volleyball, a perm-pam doll, and a Dr. set. I'd like you to bring Frances a toy wagon.  
Sincerely,  
Mary Ann Reneau

Goree, Texas,  
Dec. 16, 1949

Dear Santa:  
I am 2 years old and I love you lots. Please bring me a doll that cries, a teddy bear and a spinning top and fruit and candy.  
Thank you,  
Shirley Ann Jackson

Goree, Texas,  
Dec. 14, 1949

Dear Santa:  
I am trying to be a good little girl. I am 4 years old. Would you please bring me a dolly with sleepy eyes and that cries, a little



Munday, Texas,  
Dec. 18, 1949  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 2 years old. I have been a good little girl, and would like to have a doll buggy, tricycle, doll that says "Momie", some fruits, nuts and candy. Don't forget the other little boys and girls.  
Love,  
Cindy Wardlaw

Dear Santa Claus:  
For Christmas please bring me a B. B. gun, bicycle, football and negro chasers.  
Jerry Mack Peddy

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a bicycle, two-gun set, airplane with motor and a B. B. gun.  
Jack Greeson

Dear Santa Claus:  
For Christmas please bring me a bracelet and necklace.  
Thank you,  
Patricia Ann Neill

To Reduce  
Incidence of  
**COLDS**  
take **666**  
LIQUID OR TABLETS - SAME FAST RELIEF

Merry Christmas

May  
the blessings of  
Christmas  
descend  
upon your homes  
in  
abundance.



McCARTY'S JEWELRY  
Munday, Texas

toy cleaning set, a set of dishes and lots of candy, nuts and fruit.  
Thank you,  
Carol Dean Jackson

Box 4,  
Goree, Texas,  
Dec. 2 1949

Dear Santa:  
How are you. I am o. k. I have been a good boy. I want a football and a b. b. gun and a ball glove.  
I am 8 years old.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I wish you would bring me a volleyball, baton, doll with hair, toy typewriter, candy, nuts, stories books and lots of other things for little girls.  
I am a little girl 9 years old.  
Glenda Jane Lowrance

Dear Santa:  
How are you. I am o. k. I have been a good boy. I want a shooting gallery and horn and a ball glove.  
I am 6 years old.

Love,  
Lowry Stasey

Munday, Texas,  
Dec. 16, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a burning wood set, a television bank. Also fruits and nuts.

Love,  
Blynn Stasey

Goree School  
December 16 1949,  
Route One

Love,  
Teddy Lain

Weatherford, Texas,  
December 17, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 11 years old. I don't know if I have been good or bad. You will know. I want anything you will give me.

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a doll and baton. Also fruit, nuts and candy and a broom. I am 7.  
Don't forget all the other little children.

Love,  
Darla June S.

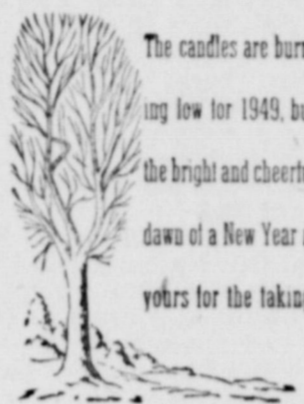
Love,  
Paula Gruben

Dear Santa:  
I've been a good little boy and would like a red wagon, a gun, and a stocking full of candy and fruit.

Love,  
Mike Lane

Season's  
Greetings

19-49



The candles are burn-  
ing low for 1949, but  
the bright and cheerful  
dawn of a New Year is  
yours for the taking.

Peddy Shoe Shop  
MUNDAY, TEXAS

Greetings  
1949

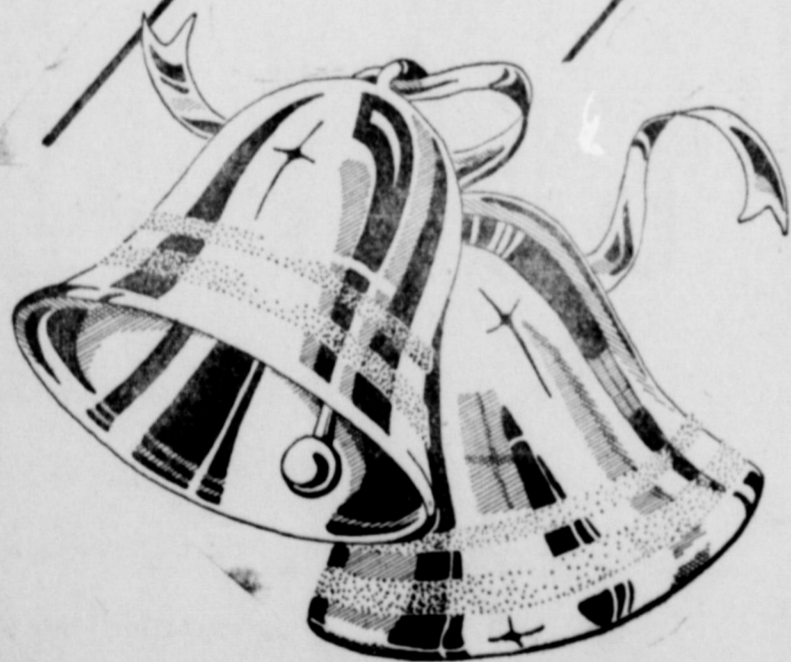


OUR SINCEREST WISHES  
FOR A BRIGHT AND MERRY  
CHRISTMAS GO OUT TO  
ALL OF YOU.

A. B. WARREN, Owner and Operator

WHITE AUTO STORE

CHRISTMAS  
Greetings



To remember folks like you with an earnest wish for your well-being and happiness, is one of the delightful privileges we have at Christmastime.

Munday Locker Plant

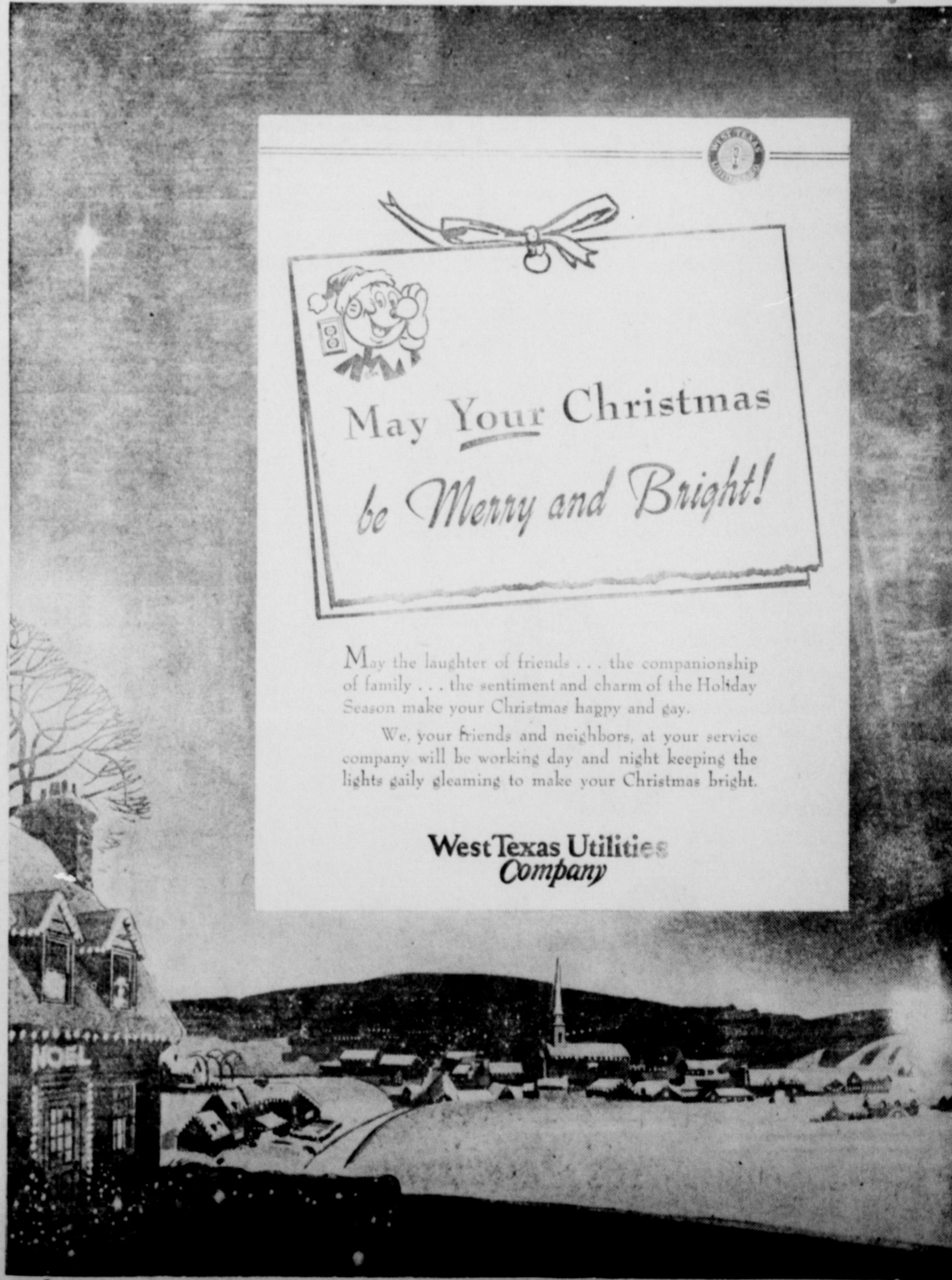


May Your Christmas  
be Merry and Bright!

May the laughter of friends . . . the companionship of family . . . the sentiment and charm of the Holiday Season make your Christmas happy and gay.

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West Texas Utilities  
Company



**Legal Notice**

**NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Munday did on the 16th day of December, A. D., 1949, by an order of that date duly entered in the minutes of said City, determine in their discretion of a necessity of executing a Mineral Lease upon the following described land, situated in Knox County,

Texas, to-wit:  
**FIRST TRACT:** Being out of and a part of the Samuel Washburn Survey, and described as follows: BEGINNING at the SE corner of the Craft sub-division of said Survey: THENCE East 1075 varas to corner: THENCE N 57 Deg. 11, W 1282.2 varas to corner, this call running on S. B. L. of highway: THENCE S 702 varas to the place of beginning, containing 67 acres of land.  
**SECOND TRACT:** Being also out of and a part of the Samuel

Washburn Survey, and described as follows: BEGINNING at the SE corner of a tract of land allotted to Katherine Cartwright in the partition of the W. A. Cartwright estate, dated May 12, 1939, and of record in Volume 78 at page 209, deed records of Knox County, Texas: THENCE North 712 varas to corner; THENCE East 327 varas to corner, said point being the SE corner of a tract in the name of Mullins: THENCE South 920 varas to a point in the N. B. L. of highway: THENCE N57 Deg. 11'W 389.5 varas along the N. B. L. of said highway to the place of beginning, and containing 47.7 acres of land.

**THIRD TRACT:** BEGINNING at a point 47.5 varas East from the SW corner of the W. A. Cartwright tract of land in said Washburn Survey, and said point being also the SE corner of the Craft 700-acre tract: THENCE East 135 varas to an iron pin in the S. B. L. of the aforesaid Cartwright tract, said point being 109.5 varas West from the NE corner of the North one-half of Tract No. 6, in the Branch partition: THENCE South 385 varas to iron pin: THENCE WEST 250 varas to an iron pin for corner in fence line; THENCE N no Deg. 53 'E with said fence line 285 varas to an iron pin for corner: THENCE N20 Deg. 7 'W continuing with fence line 44.5 varas to an iron pin for corner at root of a 4' mesquite, set on east side and against tree: THENCE N69 Deg. 53 'W 85.3' varas to an iron pin for corner: THENCE N2 Deg. 5 'E 41.8 varas to the place of beginning, and containing 16.9 acres of land.

Said Council did on said date set a date for hearing and for receiving bids from any person or corporation desiring to lease said land for mineral purposes, which said lease shall not be for a longer period of time than ten years and then shall be retained at least one-eighth royalty in all production of Gas, Oil and other Minerals, under the terms of said lease.

Said hearing will be heard on the 9th day of January, A. D., at 10:00 o'clock A. M. at the City Hall in the City of Munday, Texas, at which time all bids will be received and opened and be considered for such mineral lease and said City Council to determine whether said lease will be made on said date or not and shall have the right to reject any and all bids.

Witness my hand officially under the seal of said City, this the 16th day of December, A. D., 1949.

HARVEY LEE,  
 City Secretary of City of Munday

A Times Want Ad Pays

**Too Late to Classify**

**FOR SALE**—4-room house, well located in Munday. Write Route 4, box 25, Abilene, Texas. 1tc

**A CHRISTMAS GREETING**

May we take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks for the business we have enjoyed from your community. We send our best wishes for a Happy Holiday Season and a Prosperous New Year. We are always happy at any time to be of service to you.

LONE STAR LUMBER & BUILDERS SUPPLY  
 Abilene, Texas  
 1818 Pine Street Phone 4381 1tc

**LOST**—Man's wallet containing \$87 in cash and personal papers. Reward if returned to Z. G. Franklin, c/o Mrs. W. M. Mayo, Munday, Texas.

**FOR SALE**—International No. 11 deep tillage, single bottom 18-inch plow. Late model plow. Oscar Spann. 21-1f

**LOST**—Cameo locket. Return to Mrs. Walter Williams, Bomarton, Texas. 21-1tp

**FOR SALE**—One slightly used spinette piano, also one upright piano. E. G. Miller, Band Director, Goree, Texas. 21-1tp

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 LONE STAR LUMBER & BUILDERS SUPPLY  
 Abilene, Texas 21-2tc

Ura Wilson of Snyder visited his mother, Mrs. Bertie Wilson, the past week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Donad Jolly and sons of Hillsboro and Miss Louise Spiegelmire of Arlington are here to spend the holidays in the home of Lee Haymes.

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Moore and daughter of Denton visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Don Wardlaw last week end.

Each year approximately 12,000 bales of cotton are used to make shoe laces.

Clean artificial wax flowers by dipping them up or down in any good dry cleaning fluid, such as naphtha or gasoline.

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT**

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hobert are announcing the arrival of a baby girl born Monday morning, December 19th, at the Knox County Hospital. The little girl has been named Linda Karen and weighed six pounds and thirteen ounces. Both mother and little daughter are doing nicely.

**Kracker Krumbs**

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The box had been prepared by the seniors, and they were planning to bury us juniors in chapel exercises.

Then there's the friends, who were very dear and very close to you in the past. You intended to write to them all year, but didn't.

In the morning's mail, just before Christmas, comes their very lovely greeting card. You read the words and re-live the very pleasant times in the past.

Our "missus" has three very dear aunts, in whose Christmas cards she include very newsy letters, telling all she knows about the family and kinspeople.

Each year as we get cards from those aging aunts, there's always the note written in faltering handwriting, saying: "I'm looking forward to receiving your annual letter telling me about all the family."

We repeat: what a delightful custom it is—this business of sending out greeting cards. And among all the cards you receive, you rarely ever get two that's exactly alike.

And since everybody is wishing everybody a Merry Christmas, we might as well, too.

We hope you will enjoy the utmost in blissful happiness this Christmas. May the day be unmarred by death or accident, and my you have family, friends and loved ones about you to contribute to your happiness. And may the joys of the New Year 1950 be as countless as the sands of the desert.

If we knew a bigger wish than that, we'd make it!

*Best*  
**CHRISTMAS**  
*Wishes*

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**BEST WISHES FOR A**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

**Knox County Sheriff's Dept.**  
 HOMER T. MELTON, Sheriff J. F. HILL, Deputy



As a partial measure of our friendship we express the sincere hope that this year holds for you a perfect Christmas.



May it be touched with the same kind of serenity that accompanies a Christmas Eve snowfall.

**Morton and Welborn**  
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A truly Merry Christmas to our good friends and neighbors.

**Gray's Grocery**  
 Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Gray

*Yuletide*

**GREETINGS**

The spirit of the joyous Yuletide season prompts us to remember our faithful friends with a word of appreciation. We are grateful for the things you have done for us, for your thoughtfulness and consideration, for your goodwill and patronage. May we continue to deserve your consideration.

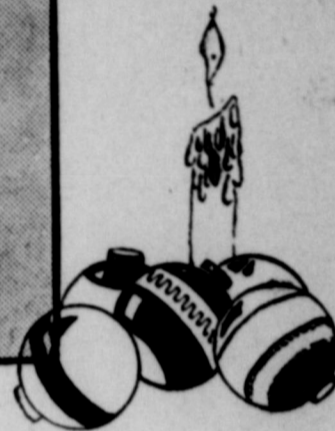
Merry Christmas, all!

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**HOLIDAY SEASON**

May all the joys of a happy Christmas season be the good fortune of each of our friends Merry Christmas to you



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NO. 21

Munday, Texas,  
December 5, 1949  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a doll with a suit case.  
I want a buggy. Please bring  
these things.  
Your friend,  
Mary Hope Butler

Munday, Texas,  
December 5, 1949  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a B-B-gun, a watch  
and football, some candy and  
fruit.  
Your friend,  
Dewane Booe

## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Knox City, Texas,  
December 5, 1949  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a good little girl, I want  
a bicycle for Christmas. I am  
in the third grade. If you do  
not have any more bicycles you  
may bring me a baby doll.  
I wish you a merry Christmas.  
Your friend,  
Shirley Nell Phillips

Knox City, Texas,  
December 5, 1949  
Dear St Nick:  
I wish you a merry trip,  
though it is cold.  
I want a cowboy suit and a  
school bag and make some other  
little girls and boys happy.  
Yours truly,  
Laval Mat Verhalen  
Third Grade

Munday, Texas,  
December 5, 1949  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy in the fourth  
grade. For Christmas I want  
a football suit and a basketball.  
And a pair of boxing gloves.  
If you will bring me these I  
will be satisfied. And I hope  
you will not get cold.  
Yours truly,  
Ernest John Orsak

Munday, Texas,  
December 5, 1949  
I am a little boy in the fourth  
grade. I have been a good boy.  
I want you to bring me a foot-  
ball suit. Bring me boxing  
gloves, too. I hope you have a  
pleasant trip.  
Your friend,  
Phillip Wane McAfee

Goree, Texas,  
Dec. 5, 1949  
Dear Santa:  
I want a cowboy suit and two  
Roy Rogers guns. I'd also like  
to have a new tractor and trailer,  
and fire truck, candy, nuts,  
and gum.  
Love,  
Donnie Estes

Knox City, Texas,  
December 5, 1949  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a good girl this  
year. Please bring me a cash  
register and if you don't have  
any more cash registers please  
bring me a magic skin baby doll  
twenty inches long. Don't for-  
get other boys and girls because  
I want them to have a happy  
Christmas, too.  
Your friend,  
Carroll Claburn

Knox City, Texas,  
December 5, 1949  
Dear Santa:  
Bring me a doll and doll bug-  
gy, candy and fruit. Leave it at  
Grandma Proffitt's at Goree,  
Texas and bring John Wayne  
some toys.  
Darlene Barnett

Munday, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
We are twins from a town  
named Quitaque and are five  
years old.  
We have been very good kids  
this past year and are very anx-  
ious for Christmas to come.  
Roy would like a little Ford  
tractor and a new shiny jacket.  
Joy wants a magic skin doll,  
along with our stockings and  
shoes filled with candy nuts and  
fruit.  
We love you,  
Roy and Joy Morrison

Munday, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl two years old,  
with a little sister named Pam.  
I have been a very good little  
girl and I want a tricycle and a  
baby doll and Pam would like  
some rattlers and please fill our  
stockings with nuts and candy  
and fruit. Our stockings won't  
hold much, so fill mommie and  
daddy's too.  
Don't forget us, Santa.  
I love you,  
Linda Jones  
P. S. There will be candy in a  
sack hanging on a door knob.

Munday, Texas,  
Dec. 16, 1949  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a tricycle,  
broom, and a red purse. I  
have been a good boy this year.  
I am looking forward to seeing  
Santa this year and be sure to  
stop in Allentown, Pa., on your  
way down and bring my little  
cousin, Mike, something. Don't  
forget Pate, Dickie, Joe, Judy  
and Sharon for they have all  
been good, too.  
Love,  
Terry Lee Patterson

Underwood, No. Dak.,  
Dec. 9, 1949  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy six years old,  
formerly from Goree, Texas now  
living in North Dakota.  
All I want for Christmas is a  
pair of guns with holsters and  
cuffs to match and a pair of  
spurs.  
Please remember my Grandpa  
and Grandma Oliver at Goree.  
Thank you,  
Larry Wayne Oliver  
Underwood, No. Dak.

Richmond's Jewelry

Goree, Texas  
Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy one year old.  
Will you please bring me a little  
car and a ball. Don't forget  
my brother, Glendon. He wants  
a football.  
Donald Joe Hicks

Goree Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me a  
fire truck with a bell. I am five  
years old. My little brother is  
five months old and he wants  
a squeaky dog.  
Lots of love,



## The Hat Shop

Mrs. Alexander

Mrs. Smith



MAY ALL  
THE SEASON'S BEST  
BE YOURS  
THIS CHRISTMASTIME.



## The Corner Drug

Munday, Texas

IT SEEMS.... We Just Don't Have Time To Extend Season's

# Greetings

What with all the cleaning and pressing we have to do, keeping your clothes cleaned and pressed the year 'round, going out to the farm and seeing that things are getting along okay, etc., we just don't have the time to do those "off duty" things we need to do, and should do.

But—with all the things we do physical, and don't require taxing of the mind—we do have time to do some thinking.

Then it is that we get to thinking about all of the very fine friends we've been serving during the 28 years we have been in business in Munday. Shucks, these are the most pleasant thoughts we can have during all the entire year.

For 28 years, we have served some of

the most loyal and pleasant people on earth! You have been loyal in your patronage and friendship, patient and understanding in our problems, friendly and good natured—just the way a fellow would like his friends to be.

So as we think of those things at the approach of the Christmas season, we just can't find the words to express our gratitude and appreciation.

This has been a good year for most of us. We've made wonderful crops, received fair prices, had not more than usual of our ups and downs, and come out ahead generally. Ours has been a most successful year—and we owe much of it to your patronage and friendship.

So, naturally, we get to thinking of you as the Christmas season approaches.

Our hope is that you'll find this Christmas one of the most enjoyable ever. May you have your loved ones—your family and friends—with you, and may nothing happen to mar the true spirit of Christmas.

In 1950, we will still be trying to serve you, and making a loyal effort to merit your friendship, loyalty and patronage. We want to serve you well, understand your problems and have you understand ours. We want to share in your joys and sorrows.

So, as we continue our duties—which won't be much different next year than this—we want you to know that we're wishing you a most Merry Christmas, and a New Year that is just crammed full of happiness and prosperity.

# JOHN C. SPANN

# EDITORIAL PAGE

"What a Man Does For Himself Dies With Him—  
What He Does For His Community Lives on and On."

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**LOCAL NEEDS FOR 1949**

We're pulling for these needs in 1949. What will the year bring?

4. An adequate waterworks system. This is a must for the continued growth of Munday.
5. Building of more housing projects. There continues to be a housing shortage.
6. Recreational facilities for our youth of today—our citizens of tomorrow.

**THE MOST DANGEROUS**

What is the most dangerous tree in the world? According to the National Board of Fire Underwriters it's a symbol of Yuletide cheer and good will—the Christmas tree. And the long and tragic record of deaths, injuries and maimings—many to children—caused by holiday fires fully bears out this statement.

This certainly doesn't mean that you should not have a Christmas tree. You should. But it does mean that certain elementary precautions should be followed to the letter and kept constantly in mind.

It is recommended, for instance, that you buy a small tree—it is less hazardous. It should be placed well away from radiators, heaters and the fireplace. Candles should never be used on the tree under any circumstances. Use only electric light sets which carry the seal of approval of the Underwriters' Laboratories—it guarantees that the sets meet the proper safety standards.

Don't use paper, cotton or other flammable materials for decoration. If extension cords are necessary, be sure they're in good condition—frayed wiring is a potent cause of electrical fires. Never leave the lights burning when the house is unoccupied. Dispose of gift wrappings promptly—they're a real menace inside the house. Be especially careful with matches and smoking materials, and finally, get rid of your tree as soon as the needles begin to fall. That means it's dry

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and ready to burst into flame.  
Christmas isn't far off. It's time now to make plans for a holiday season which will be safe as well as joyous. And once made, stick with them.

**REGULAR GROWTH**

The principal argument used in favor of compulsory health insurance is that there is no way of protecting most people against the exigencies of illness. Yet the spectacular growth of the voluntary health insurance plans in recent years refutes this idea completely.

In the single year of 1948, the number of persons covered by hospital insurance increased 16 percent, and the number protected by surgical expense and medical expense coverage jumped 30 percent and 45 percent respectively, according to the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. At the end of last year, nearly 61,000,000 people had the hospital expense protection, over 34,000,000 had surgical expense, and just under 13,000,000 had medical expense.

These plans are gaining in membership by leaps and bounds. The cost to the wage earner and his family is low, and benefits are generally liberal. Being voluntary, they have to offer a good buy for the money or people won't join. That wouldn't be true of the government compulsory scheme. You'd pay for it whether you wanted to or not, and you'd take the kind of service the politicians in charge decided upon. There would be no such thing as freedom of choice.

This country has a medical care problem. But it is a problem which is being soundly solved through such devices as the competitive voluntary systems. Regimented medicine, which would be the overture to socialized medicine, would be the most dangerous possible answer.

Wealthy people don't get enough roughage in their food while the poor people don't get enough food in their roughage.

## Letters To SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a pair of cowboy boots so I can help my granddad with his cows. I would like a doctor set too. I try to be good.

I love you,  
Dicke Boy Patterson

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl, seven years old. I want you to bring me a pair of cowboys boots, a doll set, a baton and a typewriter. Remember my little brother. He wants a choo choo train and a few other toys.

Love,  
Brenda and Larry Walton

Dear Santa:  
I need a sink, ice box and stove to keep house for my dolls.

I would like a toy typewriter too. I'm almost always good and help mommy.

Thank you, Santa.  
I love you.  
Patte Patterson

Munday, Texas  
Dec. 6, 1949

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a big doll and a suit case full of clothes for my doll and remember all the little

boys and girls and bring me lots of nuts and candy and a piano.

Yours,  
Frances Orsak  
Route 2,  
Goree, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy four years old. I want Santa to bring me an airplane, truck, and a little red wagon.

Thank you,  
Johnny Cunningham

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MUNDAY, TEXAS

Christmas makes glad the hearts of all and we are truly grateful for an occasion that makes each of us more considerate of our fellowman. Too often we neglect to tell our friends and loved ones the kind thoughts we have for them. All too often we fail to express our thanks for the many blessings and favors that come our way.

Christmas, then, is doubly welcome. We are each mindful of the deeds and thoughts of others and we find it appropriate to express the finest wishes to those about us. Would that each of us would sustain this attitude through the days to come. As for us, we pledge to strive for that goal, today, tomorrow, and every day.

A delightful Christmas to you, friends.

**Perry Brothers**  
5, 10 and 25c Store

## The First National Bank

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Dear Santa:  
I'm a little girl 8 years old. I am in the third grade. Please bring me a baby coo doll, set of dishes, some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget the other little children.  
Your friend,  
Aretia Call

Dear Santa:  
I am a boy 10 years old. Please bring me a pump air gun and a pocket watch, and some candy, nuts, fruits. Don't forget the other boys and girls.  
Your friend,  
Clinton Call

Munday, Texas,  
Dec. 11, 1949  
Dear Santa:  
We are sisters, and we are very anxious for you to come to see us.  
We would like to have a doll, doll bed, a set of dishes and an ironing board and iron.  
Please remember all the other girls and boys.  
We love you,  
Glenda Sue and Donna  
Kay Bell  
Goree, Texas,  
Dec. 16, 1949

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl almost nine years old. You were right nice to me last Christmas, so I thought I would write again. Will you please bring me a nurse set, stove, telephone, lots of nuts, candy, gum, and fruit.  
Your little friend,  
Wanda Joyce Melton

## Legend of the YULE LOG

In Virginia, the old Dominion, storied land of early American history, there is an old tradition of the origin of the Yule log that is retold every Christmas.  
As the family sits around the Yule log on Christmas eve, the ancient legend is recounted again.  
One very cold Christmas eve, when the frosty wind howled across a world of snow, an old man was sitting in his little cabin wishing that he had a fire to warm him.  
Suddenly he heard the cry of a little child away out in the cold. The old man hobbled to the door and gazed out across the snow. The wind and the snow came rustling in and the old man shivered until his "oldest two feet" chattered with cold.

The plaintive cry of the child came again above the whistle of the wind. It went straight to the old man's heart and he wished with all his power of longing that he might have the strength to go out and find the unfortunate babe.

The cry came a third time — and then a wondrous thing happened. A miraculous power filled the old man's veins. His muscles became strong and taut, his crutch fell back into the cabin and he leaped from his threshold out into the snow.

Hurrying over the snow with a speed he had not owned since boyhood, by and by he came to a little child lying in a snow bank.

He bent down and touched the child and a great new strength flowed over him, a strength which seemed to give him wings as he sped back to his cabin.

Arriving there, he placed the child upon the bed, tenderly drew the ragged coverlet about it and then looked to see if there were a bit of furniture he could use to make a fire with which to warm the little one.

At that precise moment a great log rolled across the threshold and into the fireplace. The little child looked at the log with eyes like stars—stars which sent gleams of light that kindled the log with the most brilliant fire the old man ever had seen.

The dingy little room immediately was filled with radiance and warmth, and as the light enveloped the child he laughed and laughed with a melody like a song from the heart. The old man turned his eyes to where the fire burned and watched the flames leap in beautiful rainbow tints over the log, and as his old eyes watched, the colors seemed to form the shape of the Cross in the fire.

The flames of the Cross leaped higher and higher, blue, red, yellow and white, and as the old man watched this display, suddenly and magically there appeared a table in the center of the room, covered with a Christmas feast such as never before had been spread before his eyes. And never again was the old man hungry or cold, and never after that was there a Christmas in old Virginia without the Yule log and the Christmas Child to give light and warmth.

And that is the story of the Yule log as it is told in Virginia every Christmas eve.

The ideal Christmas tree is the fir, because of its tendency to hold its needles longer.

A final step in trimming the Christmas tree is frosting it with fluffy snow. A simple and popular form of snow is ordinary soap flakes.

Dec. 5, 1949

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl five years old. I've been good this past year but I'll try not to ask for too much. I'd like a pair of cowgirl boots, a mama doll, panties, polo shirts, levis, and anything else you want to bring. Don't forget my mommie and daddy. Remember my little cousins, William Shahan and Gene Reid, my granny and grandpa Stovall.

A good little girl,  
Carol Moore  
Dallas, Texas

Dear Santa:  
Bring me a train, gun, candy and fruit.

Bring my little sister a doll, doll buggy, candy and fruit.

We may be at Grandma Profit's at Goree Xmas so leave them there please.

Billy Collander and  
Janice Collander

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a gun and holster, a dump truck, a dog collar and leash for my dog, and a bicycle. I am five years old.

Thank you,  
Jimmy Reid

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**Merry Christmas**

**A**s we express best wishes to our host of friends in this community we are fully conscious of our obligations to merit your confidence. Our efforts to serve you will continue to be our very best. We extend to you heartiest good wishes for a Merry Christmas.

**HOLDER'S**  
Grocery & Market



**Greetings**

It is a pleasure and an honor at the eve of the Christmas season to express our sincere regard for your friendship and your loyalty and to wish you the Merriest Christmas of them all.

**J. C. Borden**



**Merry Christmas**

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*A Friendly Race with Santa...*



We hasten to beat the old gent to your house to wish you enjoyment to the fullest for this season.

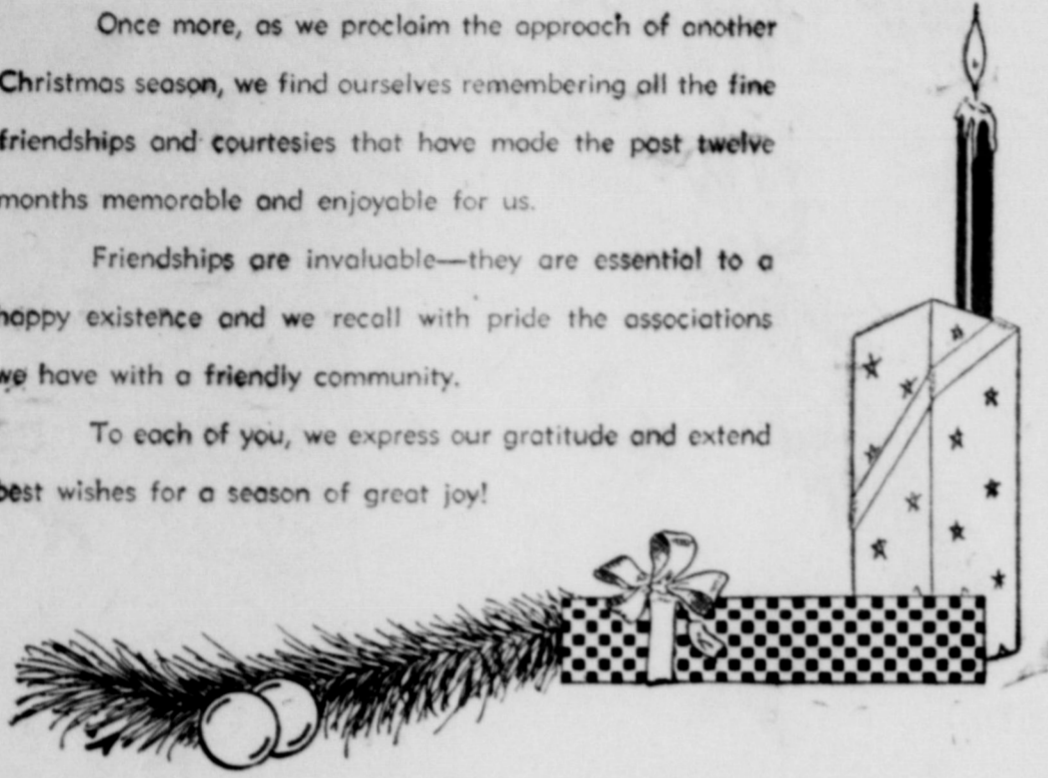
**PIGGLY WIGGLY**  
GROCERY & MARKET

# The Joys of Another Christmas

Once more, as we proclaim the approach of another Christmas season, we find ourselves remembering all the fine friendships and courtesies that have made the past twelve months memorable and enjoyable for us.

Friendships are invaluable—they are essential to a happy existence and we recall with pride the associations we have with a friendly community.

To each of you, we express our gratitude and extend best wishes for a season of great joy!

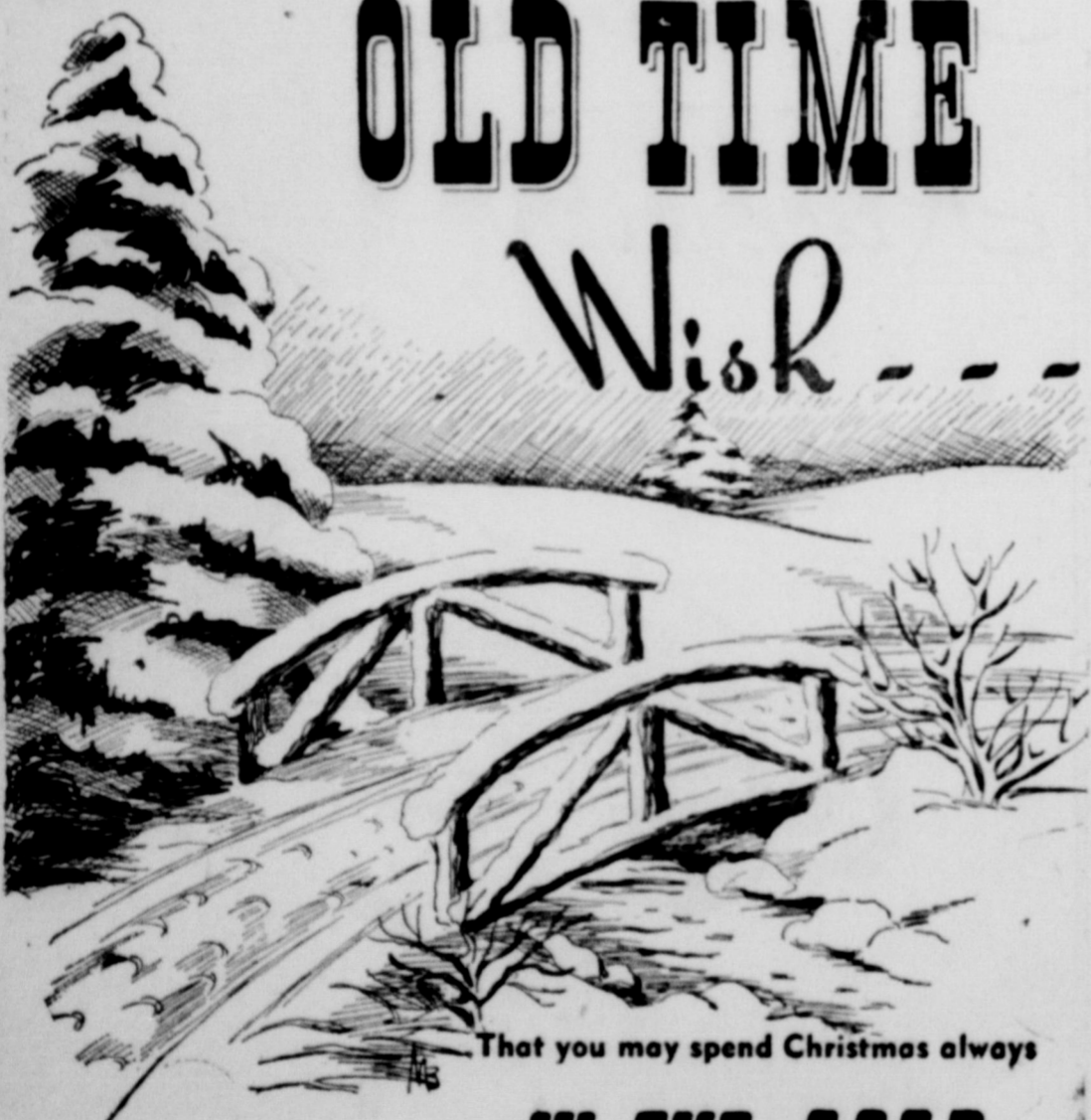


## Yarbrough Hotel

—and—

### Hotel Coffee Shop

# Here Is an OLD TIME Wish



That you may spend Christmas always

**IN THE GOOD  
OLD-FASHIONED WAY.**

## The Rexall Drug Store

"The Most Complete Drug Store in Knox County"

Munday, Texas

### Star of Bethlehem Continues to Puzzle Modern Scholars

Once again Christendom sees the Star of Bethlehem and, like the Wise Men of old, rejoices with exceeding great joy.

Astronomers have discounted possibilities that the star may have been a natural phenomenon since such phenomena occur too far from the earth to serve as any sort of local guide. Modern opinion is, however, inclined to hold that there was a Star — although the story probably has been touched by Oriental imagery.

St. Matthew suggests that even the Wise Men may have lost sight of the star while they were in Jerusalem; hence, they rejoiced when it reappeared to their vision as they approached the Manger of Bethlehem.

Come to think of it, astronomers have sought an astronomically authentic star — and found it not; historians have sought an historically human Jesus of Nazareth — and are still arguing whether or not they have found Him; even zealous theologians, striving to harmonize messianic and eschatological theories with the illusive historical and human Jesus, have sometimes lost sight of the Babe in the Manger. Who from His lowly stable draws unto Himself all who are weary and heavy-laden.

Pressing close to that sacred Manger, Christendom glimpses the Star of Bethlehem once more and rejoices in the light of righteousness and peace which has conquered every tyranny that evil men could think of, the light that shineth in the darkness and shall not fail.

Munday, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I'm a little boy one year old but I'm looking forward to your visit. Please bring a horse on wheels and a top. Don't forget Annette and Little Billy.

Love,  
Little Bill Mitchell

Munday, Texas

Dear Santa:  
We are two little boys 5 and 6 year old.  
We are pretty good most of the time. We would like for you to bring us some toys and plenty of fruit and nuts. Be sure and don't forget our big brother, Glen, and all of the other little boys and girls.

Thank you,  
Ronald and Gary Bruce

Goree, Texas,  
Route 2,  
Dec. 17, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl three years old. I would like a doll, a set of dishes, some story books, and a little purse. Please bring my sister a volleyball, and an overnight bag.

Love,  
Patsy Sue Yandell

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a doll and a set of dishes. Also bring my little sister, Carlene, some nice things, and both of us candy, fruit and nuts.

Mildred Wood  
P. S. I live at Snyder but please bring my toys to my grandma's at Lampasas. As we are going to spend Christmas there.

Love,  
Mildred

Fort Worth Texas,  
Dec. 14, 1949

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl six years old this is what I want you to bring me.

I want a desk and chair, guns, cowboy hat and boots.

Santa, bring my things to my Aunt Hazel's house as I will be there Christmas.

I love you,  
Sandy Tuggle

Munday

Dear Santa:  
I guess you know how good I have been. I hope you will see fit to bring me and Donnie a few toys. Donnie would like to have a doll bed and a baby doll with some extra diapers. I would like to have a tractor with some plows and belt with two scabbers and two guns. Anything in the way of toys you have left, Donnie and I will be glad to have them. Donnie has been kinda good and I have tried to remember to be good also.

Love you,  
Hank Haynie (5) years old  
Donnie Haynie (4) years old

Munday, Texas,  
December 1, 1949

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy eight years old. I have been good and make good grades in school.

I would like for you to bring me a diving submarine or a car transport or a wrecker truck.

Love,  
LaVaun Fox

Goree, Texas  
December 10, 1949

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a football, some books and some games, and bring Dwayne a ball bat and glove. We are twins but want separate things this year.

Your friends,  
Dwayne and Wayne  
Hargrove

Munday, Texas,  
Dec. 11, 1949

Dear Santa:  
I am a boy, eight years old, and I am in the second grade.

Please bring me a cowboy set, a basketball, a pop gun and lots of firecrackers.

Don't forget all my little friends, and school mates. Please bring my teacher something real nice.

I love you,  
Roger Dale Bell

Goree, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a cowboy suit, a gun, boots, monopoly set, a football, candy and fruit.

Bring all of the boys and girls some presents.

Yours,  
Clifford Stray  
c/o Jim Proffitt

We WISH TO EXTEND  
BEST WISHES

To Our Friends and Customers  
for a



**CAMPBELL VARIETY STORE**  
Munday, Texas



*Greetings*

AS the warm glow of the Christmastide envelopes you and yours, may the cares of the year just closing be lost in the mellow, festive spirit of the season.

## Cinderella Dress Shop

Munday, Texas

Polly McBeth Williams

*E*

ACH Christmas we realize more and more the obligation we have to the people of this area. Whatever success we may enjoy depends entirely upon the friends we serve. Since we are truly grateful for all you've done, we want you to know our thoughts are with you during this, the happiest season of the year.

**Season's  
Greetings**

## Goree Cleaners

Goree, Texas

**Legal Notices**

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION  
THE STATE OF TEXAS:**

TO: J. F. Smith and Elizabeth R. Stokley, and husband, and the unknown heirs of J. F. Smith and Elizabeth R. Stokley, GREETING:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday, the 8th day of January, A. D., 1950, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable District Court of Knox County, at the Court House in Benjamin, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 22 day of November, 1949. The file number of said suit being No. 4738.

The names of the parties in said suit are: H. C. Hawes, and J. F. Smith and Elizabeth R. Stokley, and husband, and the unknown heirs of J. F. Smith and Elizabeth R. Stokley, and husband, as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: Being an action in trespass to try title of and concerning the following described land and



**PRESIDENTIAL CHRISTMAS TREE . . .** This was the annual community Christmas tree in Washington, D. C., as it blazed with light last year. President Truman, at his home in Independence, Mo., pushed a button to turn on this holiday brilliance by remote control. The White House shows dimly in the background, framed by the tree and huge Christmas candles.

premises, to-wit:  
Being all of Lots Numbers One (1), Two (2), Three (3), Four (4), and Five (5) all in Bluoock Number One Hundred Three (103) of the Reeves and Musser Addition to the town of Munday, Knox County, Texas.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 22nd day of November, A. D., 1949.

**REMEMBER**

**Home Furniture Co.  
& Mattress Factory**

—For Your Mattress Work—  
We also have a nice stock of New and Used Furniture.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Benjamin, Texas, this the 22nd day of November, A. D., 1949.  
OPAL H. LOGAN, Clerk,  
District Court, Knox County,  
Texas.  
17-4tc

**THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
COUNTY OF KNOX:**

**TO THOSE INDEBTED TO, OR  
HOLDING CLAIMS AGAINST  
THE ESTATE OF LOUIS  
COLE, DECEASED.**

The undersigned having been duly appointed administrator of the Estate of Louis Cole, Deceased, late of Knox County, Texas, by J. B. Eubanks, Judge of the County Court of said County on the 14th day of November, A. D., 1949, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to him within the time prescribed by law at his residence, at Munday, in Knox County, Texas, where he

**Letters To  
SANTA CLAUS**

Sudan, Texas,  
R. R. No. 1

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy seven years old. Please bring me a real pocket watch, a big truck that hauls cars, and some rubber boots, and Santa, don't forget my little sister, Cheryl Dianne, who will be nine months old Christmas. I think she would like a doll. Bring us some candy too.

Thank you,  
Jerry Wayne Teaff

Knox City, Texas,  
December 5, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl of the age of 9. I am in the fourth grade. Please bring my cousins some fruit and candy. I want them to have a Merry Christmas so bad. Their daddy is dead. Bring me a bicycle for Christmas. I wish everyone a very merry Christmas. Have a merry Christmas yourself.

Yours truly,  
Barbara Sue Wilkins

receives his mail, this the 22nd day of November, A. D., 1949.

H. C. HUGHES,  
Administrator of the Estate of  
Louis Cole, Deceased.  
17-4tc

**R. L. Newsom**

**M. D.**

**PHYSICIAN & SURGEON**

Office Phone 24  
Res. Phone 142

**MUNDAY, TEXAS**



For a smile on every face  
and a carol in every heart  
we commend you to the spirit  
of Christmas.  
Happy holiday.



**Southwestern Associated  
Telephone Co.**

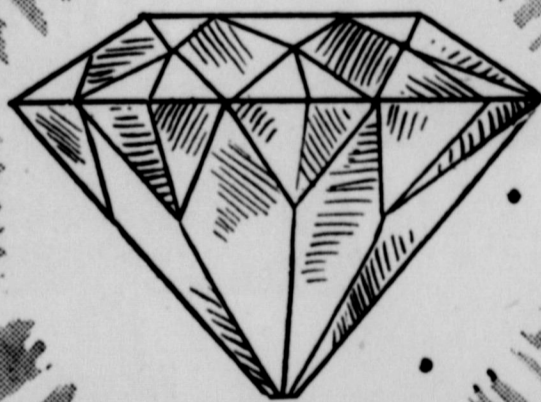
**WHEN YOU  
THINK OF  
LIFE INSURANCE**

*think of*

**J. C. Harpham**  
INSURANCE, LOANS, REAL  
ESTATE

**MAY YOUR CHRISTMAS**

*Sparkle with  
Happiness*



**SEASON'S GREETINGS!**

**Richmond Jewelry**

MUNDAY, TEXAS

**ANNUAL SEASON OF GOOD WILL WELCOMED HERE!**

THE KEYNOTE OF CHRISTMAS: **HAPPINESS**

*Here's Our Greeting*

**Merry  
Christmas**

As you read the messages of Christmas throughout this issue, please accept ours with the true feeling of sincerity with which it is offered.

**Munday Truck & Tractor Co.**

"The Farmall House"

Chrysler-Plymouth

### LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Goree, Texas,  
Route 2,  
December 3, 1949

Dear Santa:  
I don't have much to say as I have been a very good little girl so won't you please bring me a talking doll, a suit case and doll house full of furniture. And most of all Santa, don't forget my baby sis. She would like a tiny doll and little red rocker and of course we would like fruit, nuts and candy.

A little friend,  
Elaine Hargrove

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a good little girl. Please bring me a toy typewriter, doll, nurse set, and some galoshes, too.

Thank you, Santa Claus.  
Yours truly,  
Emma Jean Cooke

Route, 2  
Goree, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a big boy six years old. I want a two gun and holster set, airplane, and dominoes.

Thank you,  
Don Cunningham

Route 2,  
Goree, Texas

I am a little girl 5 years old. I would like for Santa to bring me a baby doll, iron, and ironing board.

Thank you,  
Linda Cunningham

Munday, Texas,  
December 1, 1949

Dear Santa:  
We are little girls, ages 6 and almost 3. Usually we are good girls. Please bring us each an Amosandra doll and some aluminum dishes, with a coffee pot.

Your friends,  
Bobbie and Rosann Nelson  
P. S. Bring our little brother, John Lee, a truck and a football.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have tried to be a good little girl this year so please bring me fruits and nuts. Also a little boy friend to play with me.

I also have a little friend in Chillicothe that wants a doll for Christmas.  
Be careful and please bring me all I want.

Nancy Jo

Goree, Texas  
December 12, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy 2 1/2 years old. I have been a good boy this year. So will you please bring me a Amosandra doll, train truck, two guns, top, glasses and lots of candy, apples and nut.

Please bring my little sister a doll, rocking chair, dishes, top, house shoes and slippers and plenty of candy.

Your friend,  
Kenneth Struck

Munday, Texas,  
December 12, 1949

Dearest Santa:  
I am a little girl two years old. I'm looking forward to your visit. Please bring me a doll that cries, a horn and drum set, and house shoes, candy and nuts. Please remember my little cousin Dean whom I'll be visiting on Christmas Eve.

Love,  
Linda Kay Floyd

Munday, Texas,  
December 12, 1949

Dear Santa:  
I have tried to be a nice boy, so would you please bring me a dart gun and guitar, and cowboy shirt. I hope you will be nice to all my little schoolmates and friends. Would like some candy nuts and fruit, too. Be seeing you!

Love,  
Tommy Floyd

Dec. 9, 1949,  
Munday, Texas,  
Box 585

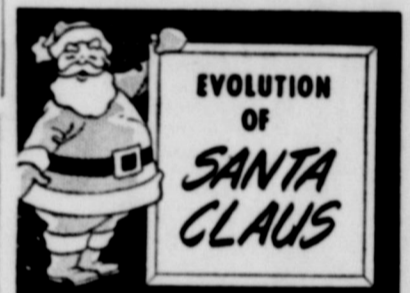
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl, 2 years old. I have been a good little girl this year.

Please bring me a doll and buggy and a set of dishes for Christmas. Also lots of good things to eat.

Be good to all the other little girls and boys.

Your friend,  
Karen Radine Wilson

Bake the fruit cake at a temperature of 250 degrees and allow about 45 minutes of baking time for each pound the cake weighs.



Christmas has rolled around once again and Santa Claus with round red cheeks, jolly smile and chunky figure looks the same as he did nearly 90 years ago.

His creator was Thomas Nast, one of America's greatest cartoonists. During the early 1860's he was asked to illustrate Clement Clark Moore's poem, A Visit to St. Nicholas, better known to us as "Twas The Night Before Christmas." The result was Santa Claus as we know him.

Santa's creator was born in Bavaria in 1840, son of a musician in a Bavarian army band. When he was a fat little boy of six, Thomas' father left Germany to enlist in the United States navy, and Thomas' mother brought the boy to New York to live.

Along about the time stocky Tommy was 15 he landed his first job as an illustrator for Leslie's Weekly at \$4 a week. By the time he was 20 he was sent to England by the New York Illustrated News to sketch the Heenan-Sayers fight, an outstanding sports event of the day.

In 1862 he joined the staff of Harper's Weekly and began the series of emblematic drawings which continued throughout the Civil War. From those he created certain trademarks that have been the inspiration of cartoonists down to the present—notably the Republican elephant and the Democrat donkey.

Famous as the political symbols are today, Nast's Santa Claus probably holds first place in the hearts of Americans. Before Nast's day, a few artists had drawn Santa on one occasion or another, but could not seem to agree on how the old gentleman should look.

Nast changed all that. He located Santa's home at the North Pole and gave him a sleigh drawn by reindeer. He drew the familiar, fat, merry old fellow with red cheeks and white beard, dressed in red, wearing a cap and boots, carrying a pack of toys and smoking a short pipe.

The artist then gave Santa a spy-glass so that during the year he might pick out the good children from the bad, and also a big book in which to write their names and keep their records.

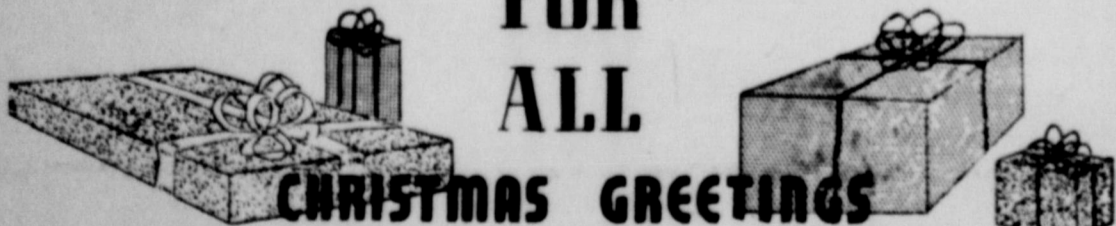
This conception of Santa Claus first appeared in 1863. Since that time, the pictured Santa has been the same, although the spy-glass and pipe seem to have been dropped by the way.



## Easley's Cafe

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Easley

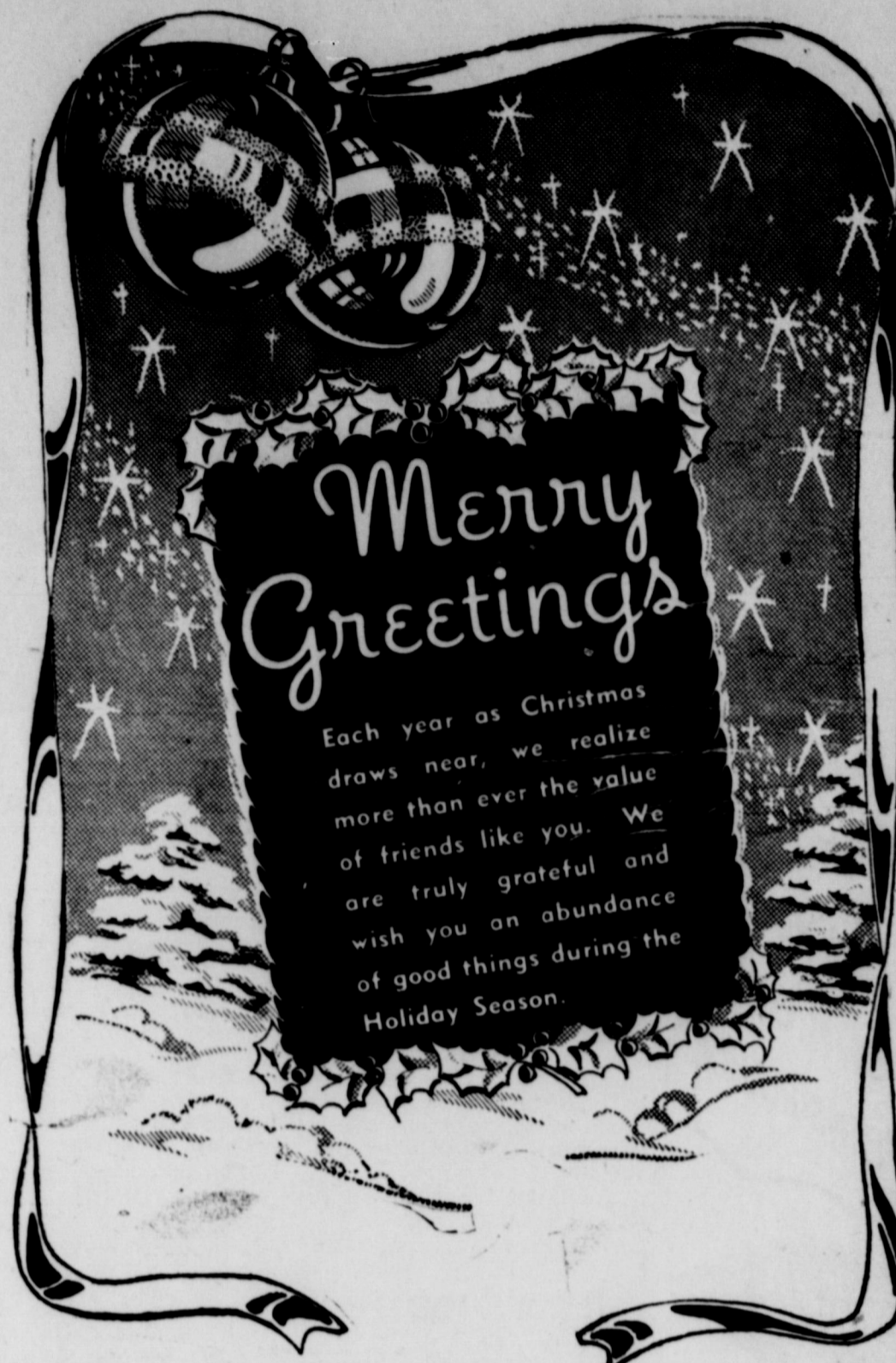
**A VERY MERRY Christmas TO EACH OF OUR MANY FRIENDS IN THIS AREA. AND A MOST SINCERE THANKS FOR ALL CONSIDERATIONS AND FAVORS. MAY THE SEASON HOLD UNTOLD HAPPINESS FOR ALL CHRISTMAS GREETINGS**



## Munday Auto Co.

"DeSoto-Plymouth Dealer"

Phone 274



## City Drug Store

# BEST Christmas WISHES

We welcome the approach of another Christmas season because it gives us an opportunity to express our good wishes to all those about us. May this be a happy season indeed.

## J. L. Stodghill

"Your Ford Tractor Dealer"



Call It What  
You Wish.....



It's still a great occasion and in recognition  
of your fine patronage we say simply, but  
with sincere feeling and pleasure, Merry Christmas

**Munday Sanitary  
Hatchery**

Mr. and Mrs. Carl George



**END OF THE RAINBOW . . .** The rainbow of at least one human desire had fulfillment at the end when Judy Sue Warschauer found herself face to face with the doll of her dreams—and it was the very one she wanted for Christmas.

**Russian People Are  
Also Able to Say  
"Merry Christmas"**

"S Rojdestvom Kristovym." That's what a Russian would say to you if you were in Russia on Christmas day and he wished to extend the season's greetings.

The phrase is the Russian's way of saying: "Merry Christmas." In the past, the Russian's Christmas was closely associated with his church; but how the day is observed now that the religious life has been subjugated in the Soviet, one would have to be behind the "iron curtain" to know.

But it was not always like that. In other days, the Russian Christmas was much like the Ukrainian. There was a Santa Claus known as "Dedushka Moroz" and there were traditional gifts of red boots for children and golden slippers for young girls.

In certain parts of the country the "baboushka" (grandmother) was the legendary dispenser of gifts. According to one story, she repented of unkindness and ever since has tried to make amends by distributing gifts to children at Christmas.

Shopping by impulse is a good way to get poor returns for the money, time and effort spent at the grocery store. It is better to plan your shopping duties—based on needs and finances.

**LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS**

Box 429,  
Port Neches, Texas,  
Dec. 9, 1949

Dear Santa:  
We are three little boys and have tried to be good. Please bring our toys to Grandmother Partridge's at Munday. We will be visiting there at Christmas time.

Jerry is six years old and would like to have a cowboy suit, a gun and holster, a set of plastic animals, and a new football for all of us.

Ronnie is four years old and please bring him a cowboy suit, Crazy Shes, a gund and holster, and some boots.

Carroll is eight years old. He also wants a cowboy suit with a gun and holster, a Rudolph bank, and a set of boots.

We would like for you to bring a projector for all of us and some fruit, nuts and candy. And some firecrackers.

Please do not forget all of the other little boys and girls.  
Ronnie, Jerry and  
Carroll Shirley

Munday, Texas,  
December 9, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 4 years old. I have tried to be a good little girl all time. I would like for you to bring me a doll and a buggy. Don't forget my mamma, my daddy, my brother and sister, and please, dear Santa don't forget the nuts and candy.

With love,  
Myrna Jane Blake

Inglewood, Calif.  
Dec. 9, 1949

Dear Sweet Santa:  
You and the reindeers about ready? I sure am. Be sure and get "Rednosed Rudolph" to lead you out here, cause it is really foggy.

I go to Sunday School regular and do my school work good, cause when I finish High School I'm "Going Back To Texas" to live. I studied hard and skipped a grade, so I am in the third grade now. Do you think I can have a bicycle, doll house story

book doll, and Mickey Mouse watch? And how I would love a great big snow!!

See you soon. And may the Good Lord Bless you and every body everywhere.

Your faithful and  
loving friend,  
Rea Cranfill

Munday Texas

Dearest Santa:

I'm a little boy 4 years old. Please bring me a cowboy suit, ditch digger and dominoes. Also bring my little sister, Karen, 2 years old, a doll and cowgirl outfit. Remember all the kiddies, especially those in the hospitals with polio. Remember I will be at Grandpa and Grandma Kreitz's.

Love and kisses,  
Bill Johnson

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 2 years old. I would like you to bring me a gun and holster, wagon and stick horse, fire truck and some clothes. And don't forget my little brother. He is 11 months old. He wants some teddy bear and a few clothes.

Love,  
David and Ricky Loving  
P. S. Don't forget to bring some nuts and candy.

Munday Texas  
Dec. 12, 1949

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy three years old. I have been a good little boy. Please bring me a fire truck and a tractor, a dump truck and a gun and holster. Lots of fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget my big brother.

Love,  
Silas Eugene Reid  
P. S. Don't forget to bring me some clothes and cowboy boots.

Soil organic matter is the remains of plants, animals and microbes in all stages of decomposition.

Fertilizer left in the spreader draws moisture and causes corrosion.

**You Have Our  
Best Wishes For A**



The Yule is a season for songs and rejoicing. Our earnest hope is that all you friendly people may share in this spirit to the utmost.

And for what it's worth, we offer our  
heartiest wishes  
for a very Merry  
Christmas

R. B. Bowden's

**GULF SERVICE STATION**



**A Friendly Word**

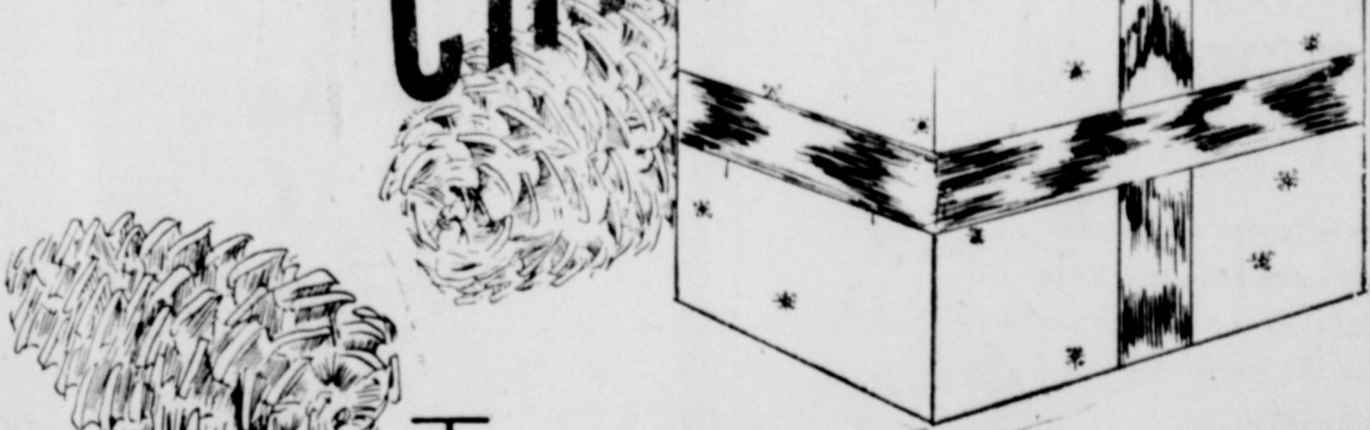
This little gesture comes to you in true appreciation of the thoughtful treatment you have afforded us in the past year.

We are truly grateful and in the most friendly way we know, we extend the compliments of the season.

**Don L. Ratliff**

"Your Friendly Magnolia Dealer"

**MERRY  
CHRISTMAS**



To greet you  
and to bring you  
every happy wish  
for **CHRISTMAS**

**Farmers' Co-op Gin**

Munday, Texas,  
December 5, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a motor scooter and a pair of boxing gloves and don't forget all the rest of the boys and girls and I am in the fourth grade and don't fall off your sled because every boy and girl wants Christmas and I wish everybody a merry Christmas.

Johnny Hardin  
Fourth Grade

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a good little girl. Please bring me a toy typewriter and a doll for Christmas. I want a doctor set and some galoshes, too.

Thank you Santa Clause.  
Yours truly,  
Claudia Mae Cooke  
Box 165,  
Munday, Texas,  
December 3, 1949

Dearest Santa Claus:  
For my Christmas please bring me a sleigh and two gun set and one pair of boots and negro chaser.

Thank you.  
Love,  
Billy Frank Fitzgerald

### Santa Affected By Restrictions

It's difficult to understand, but the genial spirit of Christmas, Santa Claus himself, hasn't always had it easy. There have been occasions when laws or traditions or regulations have put certain curbs on the old gentleman. Here are some examples:

In Newark, N. J., Santa is required to pass a stiff physical examination before he can serve in a department store. And even then he is barred from kissing any of the children who perch upon his knee.

In Charleston, S. C., charity Santas have been forbidden to make a pitch on public streets on the grounds that children flocking in to see them may create a traffic



hazard. And in Washington a few years ago, when the postmaster general was asked to print a Santa Claus stamp at Christmas time he rejected the proposal with a scornful, "I should say not!"

Outside the U.S.A., Santa has had trouble, too. In Montreal, Canada, an influential organization fought against holding of the city's annual Santa Claus parade on the ground that it was "merely a display of grotesque and vulgar buffoonery." A prominent journalist in Rio de Janeiro fostered a movement to do away with Santa Claus (Papa Noel) in Brazil and substitute a toy-bearing grandfather Indian. In Mexico City the minister of education recommended that the Aztec god Quetzalcoatl, instead of St. Nick, should bring gifts to children.

In the field of opinion, Santa has encountered some detractors. A Prof. Ivan E. McDougle, sociologist at Goucher college, Baltimore, declared: "The Santa Claus myth has lived too long. Parents should substitute philosophy"—whatever that is.

A Toronto psychiatrist got in his blast. "It should be made clear to children," he said, "that Santa Claus is not necessarily a real man any more than any other character out of a story book."

Cows should be milked at the same time each day if they are to give the maximum amount of milk.



BETTER HEALTH FOR TEXANS is the purpose of this new pamphlet, ONLY THE BEGINNING, produced by the Texas State Department of Health. The booklet contains basic information about the venereal diseases. Free copies may be obtained from local health departments, or by writing to the Texas State Department of Health, Austin, Texas.

### LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Munday, Texas,  
December 5, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl in the fourth grade. My age is nine. I don't want too much. I want a bicycle and a pair of skates, a cash register and that is all I want for Christmas. And don't forget my brothers either or don't forget the other boys and girls.

Yours truly,  
La Cresha Floyd

Knox City, Texas,  
December 8, 1949

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy three years old. I would like to have a train and little house shoes. Please remember my brothers and all the other boys and girls. I'll be watching for you.

Your friend,  
Edwin Hill

Munday, Texas,  
Dec. 5, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a bicycle, and a pony. And a great big punching bag. I want a motorcycle, too. I'd like a sled and a pair of boxing

gloves. Your dear friend,  
Ronnie Bruce Bingham

Munday, Texas,  
December 5, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like a girl's bicycle and I could be satisfied with an eraser for my blackboard. I sure hope you don't get cold.

Shirley Anne Cammack

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**Family Group Insurance**  
● Cash Benefits ● Increasing Values

MAHAN FUNERAL HOME, MUNDAY  
MAHAN FUNERAL HOME, SEYMOUR  
LANINGHAM FUNERAL HOME, GOREE

**MAHAN INSURANCE CO.**  
MUNDAY, TEXAS



Holiday  
Joy  
1949

We  
wish you well  
this  
season.

O. K. Shoe Shop  
S. G. Smith



Just  
repeating  
MERRY CHRISTMAS · 1949

Gay spirits are more commonplace during the Yule season than at any other time of the year. We hope you're fitting in.

May you prosper in the wealth with which Christmas abounds...

Peace, love of life, kindness and the brotherhood of all people.

**Strickland's  
Radio Service**

Munday, Texas

**GOOD  
FRIENDS**

... to Share  
**Our Christmas Joy**

As you place a glistening holly wreath upon your door, gaily decorate your Christmas tree, hang up your sock on the mantel and follow the scores of other traditions of a genuinely happy Christmas, we want to share your good fortune. You are our friends and we are happy in the knowledge that you are happy. May the Yuletide bring you joy.

**Paymaster Gins**

H. A. PENDLETON, District Manager

Although a single cotton fiber will slip through the eye of a needle with room to spare it is made up of 35 layers of cellulose.

## GOREE THEATRE

Friday, December 23

Roy Rogers and Trigger in  
"Night Time In Nevada"

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December 27-28

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"Illegal Entry"

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Thursday, Dec. 29

William Lundigan and Ricardo Cortez in . . .

"Mystery In Mexico"

## Knox Prairie Philosopher Wishes Us A Very Merry Christmas, But It Takes Considerable Effort To Do It

Editor's note: The Knox Prairie Philosopher on his Johnson grass farm on Miller Creek has the Christmas spirit, if we can understand his letter this week. Dear editor:

With Christmas just about here and a feeling of generosity naturally welling up in people, I thought I ought to devote my letter to you this week telling you how much I have enjoyed writing for the Munday Times during 1949, since it was about the only paper around here I could write for anyway, that is the only one that would publish it, that is, I mean to say, I have appreciated the opportunity you have given me although I guess a editor has to fill up his paper with something, even if there are lots of people who would like to know why.

However, what I started out to say was that while I have occasionally said some abrupt



thing about you, you still have gone ahead and printed em, and I don't mind sayin I like to see a man face the truth, I mean to say, whether they've been true or not, you went ahead and let me fill up my space without anything being changed.

I won't say I have mastered the art of writing letters I ain't set the world on fire, but I have enjoyed it as I ain't seen the time yet when I hadn't rather be writin in you than going up one row

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Munday, Texas Dec. 12, 1949

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl six years old and in the first grade. I would like a magic skin doll, doll clothes, a doll high chair, and anything else you wish to bring. Please remember my big brother, Ralph, and also other little boys and girls.

Your little friend,  
Virginia Raye Hargrove

Dear Santa: I am a little boy eight years old and I'm in the third grade. Please bring me a double holster and gun set, a fire truck, a dump truck, a tractor and some cowboy boots and some clothes. Lots of fruits, nuts and candy. Don't forget my little brother and my cousins.

Love,  
William Horace Shahan



The very fact that Christmas is with us again ought to bring joy enough, but we want to gild the lily by wishing everyone a wonderful holiday.

Our shop will be closed MONDAY and TUESDAY.

## GAFFORD BARBER SHOP

## GREETINGS!



AND  
Best Wishes  
FOR  
A MERRY  
CHRISTMAS

## Goree Theatre

Goree, Texas

and down another. There is something about a plow standing at the turn row, a axe leaning against the wall a hoe hanging in the tool shed, a fire under the washpot that naturally makes a thinking man get out his pencil and start writin.

Likewise, there is something about this time of the year that makes everybody want to wish everybody else a Merry Christmas, with the exception maybe of the Russians, and I have an idea they'd like to themselves if they could get permission from Stalin and his fellow-commisars, who don't believe in Christmas presents except for themselves, 365 days a year throughout their natural life.

Therefore, I will come right out and wish you a Merry Christmas, and a special Merry Christmas to all your subscribers who have kept right on taking your paper even after I started writin for it. You know how people are. Get in a rut and stay there. Merry Christmas.

Yours faithfully,  
J. A.

leges farm organizations, insecticide and farm equipment manufacturers, and the cotton industry; are expected to attend the meeting.

Munday, Texas,  
Dec. 16, 1949

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 6 years old. I have been a nice little girl and help my mother. Please bring me a doll with hair and maybe a book and some games.

I have a little brother whose name is Ronnie Lee. He is 3 years old and wants a John Deere tractor with equipment and a scabbard and gun. Please bring us a doctor set together and some candy, fruit and nuts. Don't forget other little children.

I love you,  
Charlene Spruell  
Munday, Texas

Dear Santa: I am a little boy four years old, and hope I've been good. Please bring me a drum, tricycle, some fruit, nuts and candy. Please don't forget the other little boys and girls.

Your little friend,  
Daryell Call

## Cotton Insect Loss Is Highest In 22 Years

December Conference Will Outline Programs To Cut Pest Damage

Preliminary, unofficial estimates which place insect damage to the 1949 cotton crop at \$470,110,000, the highest pest loss in 22 years, reemphasize the importance of the third annual Cotton Insect Control Conference at Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 19-20. National Cotton Council officials declare.

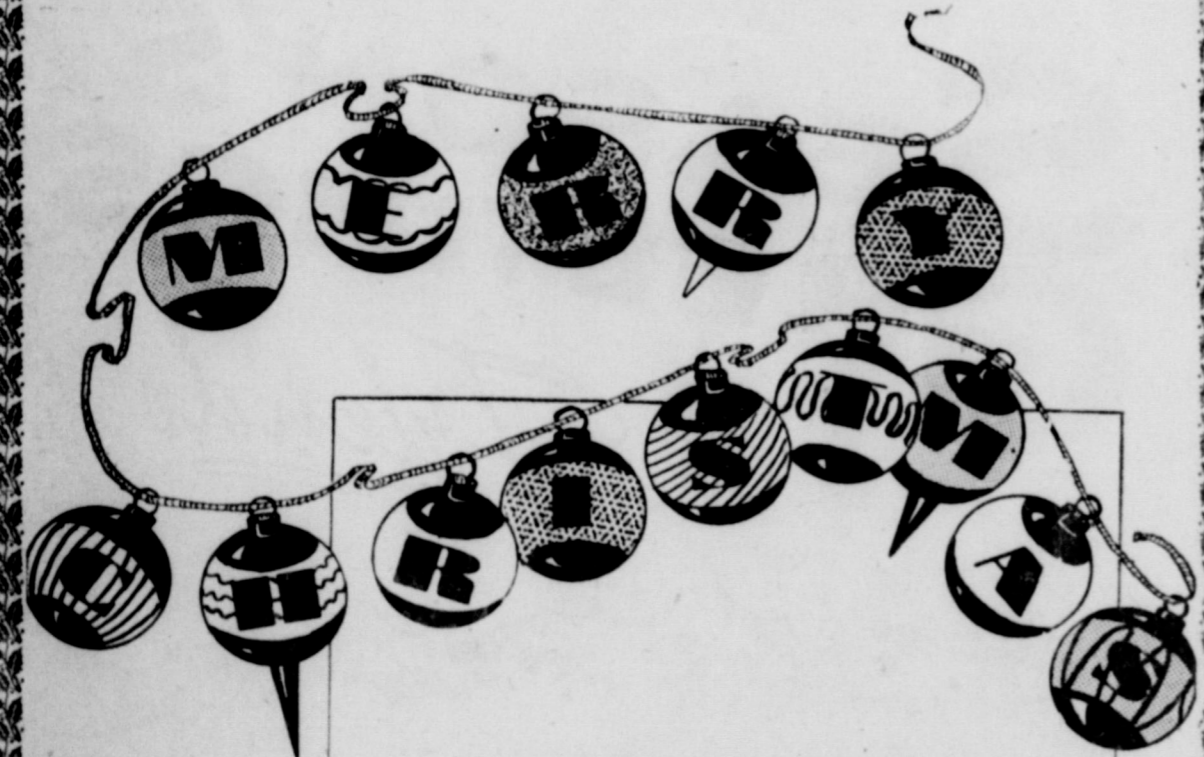
Insect destroyed approximately 2,811,000 bales, more than one-seventh of the estimated crop. Ransom E. Aldrich, Michigan City, Miss., chairman of the Cotton Council's production and marketing committee, has disclosed. Mr. Aldrich, who will preside over the insect control meeting, pointed out that the Birmingham sessions will lay plants for a coordinated program to cut cotton pest damage next year.

**Lint, Seed Damage**  
Based on an average price of 30 cents per pound, damage to lint amounted to \$421,650,000 this season. In addition, it is estimated that pests destroyed 1,127,000 tons of cottonseed valued at \$48,461,000. The total loss of \$470,110,000 is the greatest since 1927 when \$550,905,000 was destroyed by cotton insects.

Although estimates for South Carolina indicate the highest loss percentage-wise with 27 percent destruction, Mississippi led the list in terms of value with \$106,515,000 lost in seed and lint to cotton pests. Other states and their losses are: Arkansas, \$91,660,000; Alabama, \$59,399,000; South Carolina, \$49,581,000; Georgia, \$40,964,000; Texas, \$39,635,000.

**Other States**  
North Carolina, \$23,901,000; Louisiana, \$20,407,000; California, \$11,897,000; Oklahoma, \$9,046,000; Tennessee, \$8,553,000; Missouri, \$3,687,000; New Mexico, \$2,358,000; Arizona, Virginia, Florida, \$836,000.

A more effective insect control program, through close integration of the efforts of federal and state agencies, insecticide manufacturers, the cotton industry and farm organizations, is the goal of the Council-sponsored conference. More than 200 federal and state entomologists, extension service leaders, and representatives of land grant col-



As we extend our good wishes to you for the Christmas Season, we are remembering all the nice things you have done for us in the past.

Thanks a Million!

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## Along the Way



It has been a pleasure to serve you in times gone by and it is our sincere wish that we may continue to have an opportunity to serve you in the days to come.

Merry Christmas to you, one and all.

## PRODUCTION CREDIT ASSOCIATION

C. R. Elliott, Local Representative  
Munday, Texas

### Weekly Health LETTER

Issued by Dr. Geo. W. Cox  
M. D., State Health Officer  
of Texas

AUSTIN—By this time you're aware that heater weather has definitely hit Texas.

State Health Officer George W. Cox, commenting on the above-mentioned fact, said Thursday there is no doubt that carbon monoxide—associated with gas heaters—is one of the most lethal and least publicized of all the

poisonous gases. Carbon monoxide, the doctor explained is formed when there is not enough oxygen mixed with burning gas, or when the design or operation of gas burning equipment is faulty.

"With a toxicity comparable to the gases used in warfare, not enough attention is paid to the deadly effect of prolonged exposure to carbon monoxide," the veteran health officer said. He indicated that carbon monoxide claims more than its fair share of accidental deaths in Texas, but for some inexplicable reason it is not held in the same perspective as other accidents.

Dr. Cox believes this "killer" is due an explanation, and makes

the following recommendations for users of gas heaters:

(1) Make sure the heater is properly adjusted, by a gas serviceman if possible.

(2) Use metal tubing for connecting the stove to the gas line, and check for leaks before the stove is used.

(3) Always ventilate a room where a heater is burning. Even if no carbon monoxide is being formed, oxygen is being consumed.

(4) Never operate a stove at its highest burning rate.

(5) Do not use propane or butane gas in a heater designed for natural gas.

(6) Never let the stove burn all night. When other people using the same fuel line turn their stoves off, the line pressure will increase, and the flame of the burning stove will increase to the point where carbon monoxide may be produced.

Carbon monoxide expelled by an automobile exhaust is a big health hazard in winter too, Dr. Cox warned. He said many motorists have wrecked their cars and been listed as a highway death, when carbon monoxide was really the killing agent.

### More Types Of Hybrid Corn To Be Introduced

The use of corn hybrids in Texas for the past eight years has enabled farmers to produce more corn per acre than was ever possible with the common varieties previously planted. The results from the 1949 corn tests conducted by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at 17 widely scattered locations show that farmers may expect even greater increases in yield from some of the newly developed hybrids, says J. S. Rogers, who is in charge of corn investigations for the Station.

The yellow hybrids showing the greatest promise, continues Rogers, are Texas 24, 26 and 28. Texas 11W is recommended for those farmers who prefer to plant white corn. All of these hybrids show a wide range of adaptability, and will give good results in any area where the older hybrids are now grown successfully. The tests this year show that Texas 24, 26 and 28 may generally be expected to

### Finns See Evergreen As Mourning Symbol

Evergreens are never used as decorations in the homes and churches of Finland because the Finns regard them as symbols of mourning.

At Christmas most homes where there are children suspend a "heaven" from the living room or dining room ceiling. Such "heavens" consist of a cord framework covered with straw and different colors of paper ribbon, etc., and decorated with paper stars and silhouettes cut in various designs. The effect, when reflecting the firelight and the candles' glow, is mysterious and fascinating.

Candles are used profusely in the churches; the alters are banked and the windows are filled with them, so that in the pre-dawn darkness (Christmas morning services begin at 6 A. M.) the churches beckon approaching worshippers like brilliant lanterns.

After the early church services, the gayly decorated sleds race for home, bright robes flying and sleigh bells a-jingling. Breakfast is festive, and then everyone takes a long nap. Christmas Day is not devoted to play or gift-giving; it is religiously observed, with intervals of carol singing and Bible readings.

The day after Christmas is St. Stephen's day, and from then until New Year's parties and general festivity are in order. Although gift-giving is not an integral part of the observances, in some parts of Finland trinkets and useful gifts of wearing apparel are presented to children by Wainamoinen, the Kalevala hero of Finnish legend.

Legend relates that the crown of thorns which was placed on the head of Jesus was made of holly and that before the crucifixion the berries were white, but turned crimson like drops of blood.

produce from five to ten percent more corn than the hybrids now available.

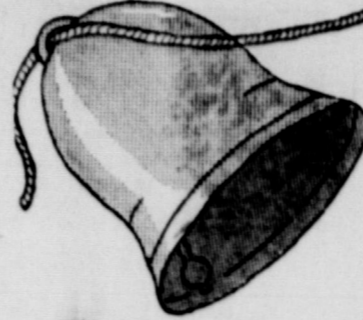
Texas 26 and 28 are particularly recommended for the Blackland Prairie and the western corn-growing regions of the state, says Rogers. These two hybrids are quite drought resistant, and will outyield the other hybrids under conditions of limited moisture. Texas 27 and 20



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Weatherford, Texas,  
Dec. 17, 1949

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Don't forget all the other little boys and girls.  
I am 7.

Love,  
Georgia Faye Gray

Weatherford, Texas,  
Dec. 17 1949

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me an elephant,

train, car, negro doll, nuts, fruit and candy.

I will try to be a good boy. I am three years old now.

Love,  
Lynn David Gray

Goree, Texas,  
Dec 2, 1949  
Box 4

Dear Santa Claus:  
I wish you would bring me a doll with hair doll house, stove, play icebox, baton, candy, nuts, dishes, stories book, and lots of other things for little girls.

I am a little girl 6 years old.  
Frieda Joyce Lowrance

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We hope we may continue to serve you, and merit your patronage and good will during the new year, 1950. At this Christmastime we want to wish you . . .

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### LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:  
I am nine year old. I want a pair of boxing gloves, metal wagon, baseball and tool box.  
Sandra is seven year old. She wants a nurse set, cash register, negro baby and dishes.  
Garry is four years old. He wants an electric streamlined

passenger train, fire engine, rubber racer and pop gun.  
Donny is two years old. He wants a little wagon, helicopter, tricycle and tinker toys.  
Love,  
Mickey, Sandra, Garry and Donny Land  
Vera, Texas,  
Dec. 6, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 5 years old and think I have been a good little girl. Will you please bring me a doll, doll bed and a pair of cowboy boots. Also candy, fruit and nuts. Don't forget all other little boys and girls.  
Love,  
June Carolyn Feemster  
Munday, Texas,  
Dec. 5, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:  
I'm in the third grade. I hope your reindeer don't get sick. Please bring me a toy dog and some nuts. Don't forget the other boys and girls.  
Your friend,  
Terry Carter

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### Time Not Constant In the Celebrations Of Christ's Nativity

While December is now the month in which Christ's birthday is celebrated by Christians all over the world, research and study show that Christ's nativity has been celebrated in January, March, April, May, September and October by various peoples.

And although few people know it, it was for the purpose of substituting a Christian festival for pagan ones of Romans and Druids that celebrations of Christmas in December were popularized.

No historian pretends to fix the actual date of Christ's birth or the date at which Christmas became a general festival.

About all that is known is that during the fourth century the feast of the Nativity was observed in all western world churches at different dates.

The confusion resulting from celebrations in seven months of the year caused the western church authorities to meet in 340 to set a definite date for the celebration. The eastern churches did not cooperate until the sixth century when December 25 was set as the day to be observed.

The question has arisen innumerable times as to why December was selected as the month for rejoicing. The answer is that this month was chosen in order that a Christian festival could compete with those of the pagans, because December was noted for its feasts and holidays in nearly every civilized land.

Greeks, Romans, Saxons and Scandinavians all took part in the celebration of these festivals which had originated before the birth of Christ.

From the Saxons came the ceremony of burning the Yule log. The Saxons burned great bonfires in honor of their god Thor. From the Romans came the giving of presents, for this custom has been traced to the Roman Saturnalia.

It may seem strange to claim that the pagan riotousness might be the forbear of the Christian holiday of goodness and love, but intermingled with that which was objectionable, were things that have gone straight to the hearts of people throughout the Christian world.

It is better poultry management to sell the extra pullets than to put them into an overcrowded house.



A million-dollar dream to transform a Texas village into a modern enice is described in "Port of Drifting Men" by Leonard King—an interesting book about Port Isabel (Naylor Company, San Antonio). The proposed marvel of engineering was begun but never finished. Ayacht basin was dredged to a depth of 20 feet, 260 yards inland from Laguna Madre, and connecting with that body of water. Five channels were then cut in semi-circular fashion, parallel to one another, and three-quarters of a mile in length.

The land space between the channels was plotted into residential lots and the design was to make it possible for one of build his garage on the back of his lot extend it over the channel far enough for one end to be a boat house, enabling him to drive his car into the front of his garage and his boat into back of it. Thus his home would be accommodated by two streets on of earth, the other of water.

But the scheme blew up. During the war, the 124th Texas Cavalry was looking for a place to stage amphibian maneuvers for its deep swimming horses. In lieu of rivers, the regiment used the channels of Port Isabel. For

10 days, the cavalry unit, more than a thousand strong, swam, splashed, played and reveled in the avenues and channels of a vanished dream.

And for eight months of the year, the yacht basin is a swimming pool, used by young and old. And when the north wind chills the shallow waters of Laguna Madre, speckled trout race for the deeper and warmer waters of the basin while Port Isabelites sit at the ends of avenues named Trout, Bass, Pompano and Tarpon and angle for the best fish that swim the seas. Only Texas, big and strong, can experience such real estate projects, watch the projects fail, and then have a good time on the ruins, says the book.

Two friends were always badgering each other. One was bald. The other said, "I never realized you were such a great man until I learned that they had named a town in Arkansas for you."

"I hadn't heard about it," was the unsuspecting reply. "Yes," replied the other "Bald Knob." The bystanders laughed and then the bald-headed man said, "You are a great man, too. There's a

town in Massachusetts named for you."  
"There is?"  
"Yes—Marble Head."

211 E. 2nd St.,  
Shamrock, Texas,  
Dec. 7, 1949

Dear Santa:  
I want you to know where I will be when Christmas comes. I'll be visiting my grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Patterson at Benjamin, Texas.

If you have a bicycle small enough for a 4 year old boy please leave it there.

My brother wants a leather holster, twin gun set.

Yours,  
Edgar Alan Darwin

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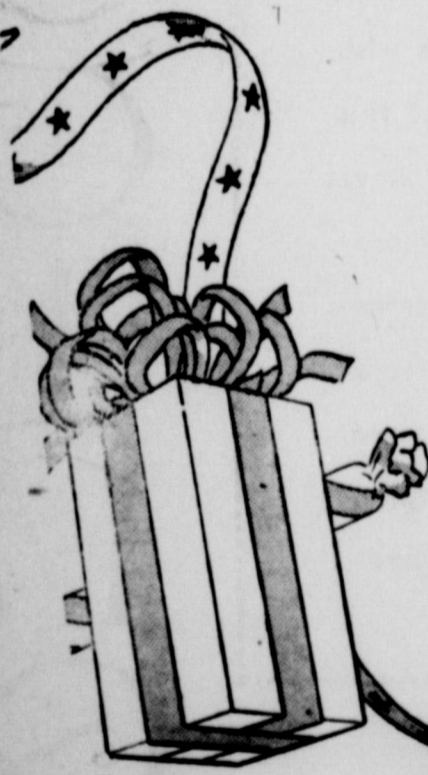
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we strive to add more friends to our list. If we have not had an opportunity to serve you in the past, we invite your consideration. We will do our best to please.

And to those of you whom we have been associated for many years, here's our usual, yet genuine, "Merry Christmas".



# MERRY CHRISTMAS

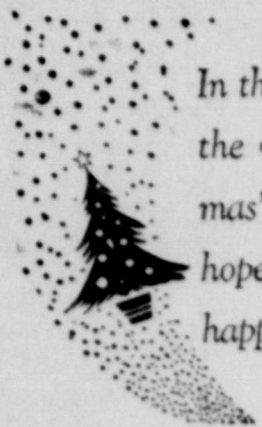
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Southwestern Division

Munday, Texas

# Merry Christmas

1949



In the same cheery manner the words "Merry Christmas" come to you with our hope that all the season's happiness and joy be yours.

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## Druids First to Use "Magic" of Mistletoe

The greens which are used for Christmas decorations found their way into early festivities because of certain virtues attributed to them by the ancients, and many of them which adorned pagan seasonal rites were later taken over to grace the ceremonies and celebrations of Christmas Day.

In both England and America, the holly and the mistletoe are associated with Christmas as invariably as are the plum pudding and Christmas tree.

It was the Druids who first used the mistletoe. "Heal-all" was their name for it. The plant was supposed to have curative values, and gradually they assigned to it all manner of magic powers.

Their priests, each year around the time when we now celebrate Christmas, would have high platforms built around the sacred oak trees which, in a manner of speaking, were "hosts" to the mistletoe. Robed in ceremonial vestments of white, they ascended these platforms, and with golden sickles especially made for the solemn occasion they cut away the mistletoe.

The Saxons also prized it and it was they who gave to it the name of mistletoe.

Eventually the green came to be regarded as a symbol of peace. Opposing warriors who met near it would call a truce, and it was customary to hang it over the entrance doors so that they who entered might be assured of friendship.



AND I WANT . . . This is a candid camera shot of a little girl being interviewed by a genial Santa on the subject of her desires in the line of Christmas presents. The rapt expression on her face is typical of small girl-and-boyhood when a lovely crisis like this presents itself.

### On Christmas

While the litter from Christmas packages is still about, be particularly careful of smoking. Hot ashes dropped on tissue paper or a carelessly-tossed match could result in tragedy.

December 25 was decreed as the date of Christ's nativity by the Roman emperor Julian who began his reign as a Christian, but reverted to paganism before his death.

Munday, Texas  
Dec. 12, 1949

Dear Santa:

I want a weeping doll, bicycle and some clothes. Bring my little sister, Jane, a doll and some other toys.

Yours truly,  
Judy Kay Massey

Munday, Texas.  
Dec. 12, 1949

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a toni doll and a tricycle—a big one, and an ironing board and iron and some doll clothes. I am four years old.

Your friend  
Phyllis Yost

Munday, Texas.  
December 5, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy in the fourth grade. I have been a good boy this year. I want a punching bag and a pair of boxing gloves. Don't forget the other girls and boys. I hope your reindeer don't get a bad cold. I want the boys and girls that are crippled to have a Christmas too.

Yours truly,  
Jerry Johnston

Munday, Texas.  
December 5, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little girl. I am a little girl in the third grade.

Please bring me a rocking chair, a bicycle, a ball, and a book. And I wish you a Merry Christmas.

I'd like some candy, and fruit. Please don't forget my big brother, and don't forget the other boys and girls.

Yours truly,  
Renella June Mansfield

Knox City  
Dec. 5, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good girl this year.

I want a big doll. Will you come to my house?

Will you bring me a bicycle? I want some candy and fruit.

I hope Santa don't get cold. I want the other boys and girls to have Christmas too.

Your friend,  
Wanda Voyles

Goree, Texas.  
Dec. 5, 1949

Dear Santa:

I'm a little girl in the second grade and have tried to be a good girl. I want a cowgirl suit, play vacuum cleaner, a doll and roller skates. I want candy, fruit and nuts, too. Don't forget all little boys and girls.

Love,  
Jo Ann Estes



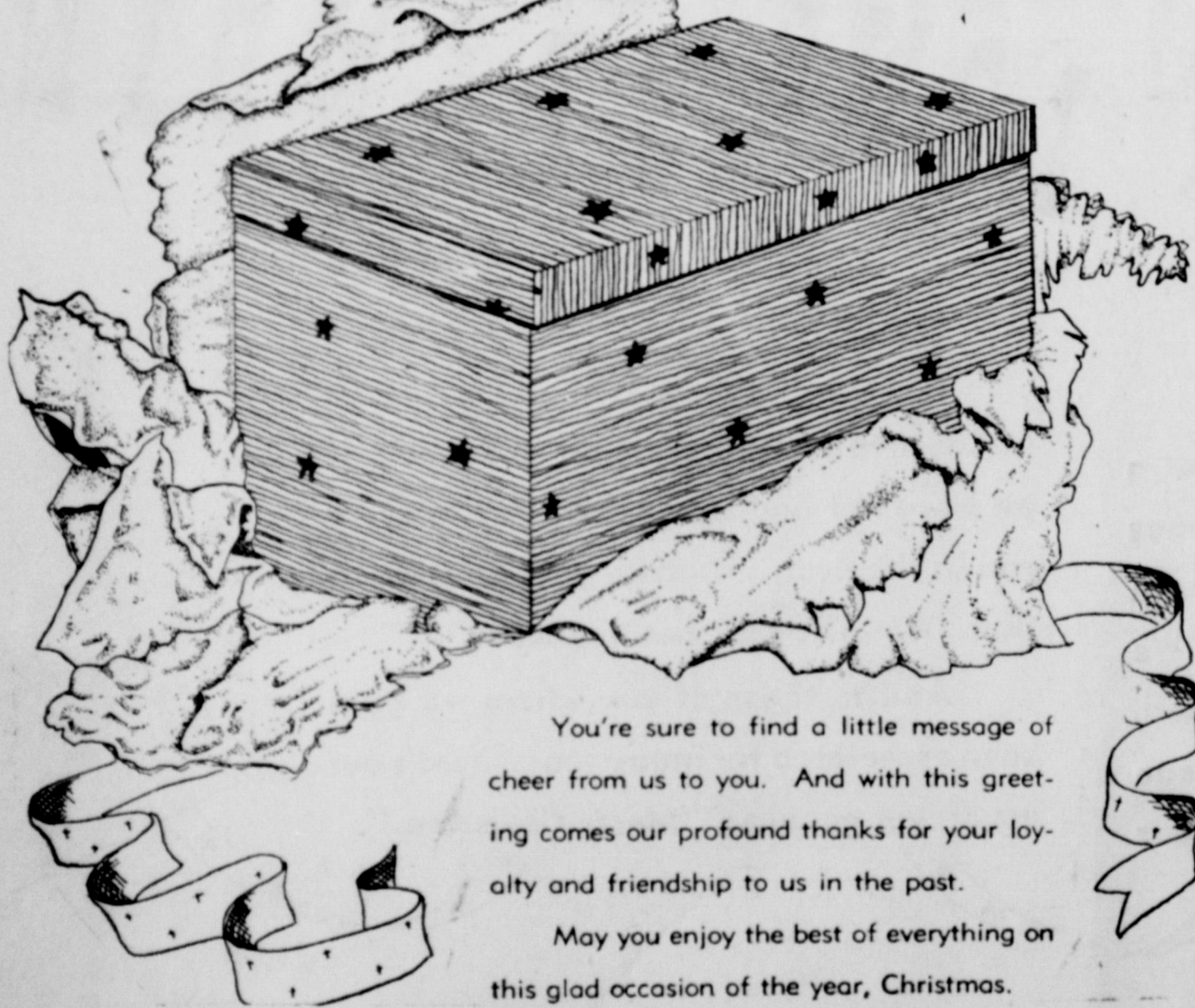
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Have a Good Year, Next  
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