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A Fine Paper For Fine People

Donley Steer Show Set For Tues., Dec. 31

The Donley County Steer Show will be held next Tuesday, December 31, at the fairgrounds in Clarendon according to Ronald Gooch, County Agent. Approximately 16 steers will be shown by Donley County 4-H members, 3 steers by Hedley FFA members and one steer by a Clarendon FFA member. The steers will be in the barn by 10:00 a.m. the morning of the show and judging will start at 1:30 p.m.

Donald Reeves, Collingsworth County Agent, will judge the animals. Everyone is invited to attend and give their support to the boys and girls at the show. On January 1 James Edward Potts, Hedley 4-H club member, and the County Agent will leave for the Sand Hills Hereford Show in Odessa. Potts will exhibit two Hereford steers in the Odessa Show, Gooch said.

Games For All Make Christmas Family Party

Christmas is the time for family get-togethers. One of the best ways to make these gatherings memorable for all concerned is to engage in games which the whole group can play. A nice one to start off with would be a Sugar Plum Hunt. Have one member of the family hide Christmas candies ahead of time in various nooks and corners around the house. At a given signal everyone starts hunting and gathering the pieces. The one who gathers the greatest number would be given a prize.

The Christmas Puzzle is another good one to get things going. Look through some magazines, which are filled with pictures of Santa Claus at this time of year. Cut out enough of these to go around, paste them on stiff cardboard, and cut them into pieces. Then put each group of pieces in a separate paper bag. At the signal, everyone opens a bag and starts putting the puzzle together.

The Christmas Scramble Contest is good for a group with older children in it. This is simply a contest to see who can unscramble a group of words the fastest. Just for fun, see if you can work out the following—astna, erireden, ehsgil, dynca, erte, trepsen, hupnc, alsorc, and niborb.

NEWS COPY NEEDED EARLY

There will be many who are visiting or who visit through the Christmas and New Year's holidays. Your cooperation in submitting your news as it happens will be greatly appreciated by the Leader Staff. Rural columns should be in the office Monday morning, December 30 or no later than noon of that day. Only a capacity of type can be turned through the Linotype machine a day which makes his necessary.

May you have a happy holiday season!

COTTON CLASSING NEWS

Cotton harvesting reached its peak in this section of the Panhandle this past week with the Cotton Classing office at Memphis reporting 25,124 samples processed to bring the total for the season to 110,412. This figure remains under the 114,000 at the same time last year. Percentage of Light Spot and Spotted continued to increase with 83 per cent in this grade. Predominant staples were 31/32 at 39 per cent and 1 inch 44 per cent. Mike readings held steady in the 3.5 to 4.9 bracket. The market showed average prices ranging from 17.42 to 19.96 and seed bringing \$49 per ton at gin points.

Picturing Nativity

The Christmas crib or presepio is an especially treasured part of the Portuguese holiday celebration. Every home and church seems to have one, and some of those in the churches are masterpieces of art.

Especially famous is the presepio in Estrella Chata, Lisbon. This Nativity scene depicts the people of Bethlehem, in terra cotta figures. Unique among the crowd are the figures of an elephant and a bagpiper.

Driving Yule Out

St. Knut's Day, January 13th, is the traditional time for taking down Christmas greens in Sweden. According to custom, as the tree is dismantled, young folk dance while their elders sing, "Twentieth day Knut driveth Yule out." This custom is believed to be derived from the laws of King Canute, written in the early 11th century.

Farm News

from County ASCS Com.

1969 REGULAR ACP — Funds will be available for approving requests under the regular ACP after January 1, 1969. All practices in the 1968 program have been included for 1969 except the bindweed control practice which was discontinued earlier this year. A home garden practice has been added for low income families.

Start making your plans to carry out a good conservation program on your farm. YEAR-END BRINGS PROGRAM DEADLINE

Some important year-end deadlines are approaching for farmers and ranchers who are taking part in farm programs. These closing dates apply to producers of wool, cotton, and farmers enrolled in conservation programs. In the cotton program, December 31 is the last day the County ASCS Office can receive applications for transfer of cotton allotments.

December 31 is also the end of the 1968 marketing year for the wool program. This is the deadline for growers to complete all details on marketing of wool of lambs in order to be eligible for payments to be made early in 1969. Applications for payments will be accepted through January 31.

Farmers who are taking part in the 1968 Agricultural Conservation Program also have a deadline. Those signed up for cost-sharing under the 1968 ACP or the 1969 Concurrent ACP have until December 31 to complete agreed on practices.

Lighting The Way

Light and Christmas go together, for the deepest meaning of the holiday represents Christ, the Light of the world. From the bonfires and candles of yesterday to the twinkling electric ornaments of today, light symbolizes Christmas.

According to Irish legend, a candle should always be placed in the window on Christmas Eve. Each Christmas, it was said, Christ wanders the earth in search of a welcome, and a candle should light the way.

Give The Leader For Christmas



Special Education Class Enjoys Christmas Tree Friday Morning. Bottom row, left to right, Denna Holland, Tony Jarmillo, Cari Kidd; top row, left to right, Deanna Harriss, Donnie Harriss, Barbara Smith; Top left, Mrs. Carl Nunn, instructor.

BUSINESSES TO CLOSE FOR HOLIDAYS

Christmas and New Years are yearly closing dates for Clarendon merchants. Some merchants are planning to take two days for each holiday and others will be taking only the one day.

It is suggested that you check with your business firms as to the days they expect to be closed and in that way, no one will be inconvenienced.

Sending Greetings

The custom of exchanging greetings at holiday time is older than Christmas. The custom of the Christmas greeting card, however, is a relatively new one.

Christmas cards originated about 125 years ago, in England. Despite this recent start, printed greetings quickly caught the public fancy and are today one of the most popular forms of Christmas holiday traditions.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Patients as of Monday, December 23: Mrs. A. C. Shadix, Mrs. L. N. Cox, Charlie Swinney, Mrs. Jane Bowers, Glen Williams, Mrs. Carl Morris. Dismissals: Mrs. Bess Harvey, Mrs. Peggy Jones, Mrs. Nora Leathers, Mrs. I. J. Moore, Mrs. Frank Thomas, Mrs. Allene Naylor, Johnny Moreland.

NOTICE -- LEADER MAY BE LATE NEXT WEEK

Due to the closing of many business firms for the New Year holiday, the Leader may arrive in the mail a day late. We along with other businesses plan to be closed Wednesday. With the usual increase in visiting, late copy received due to visiting and holiday visitors it is almost impossible for us to get a paper in the mail in two days.

We hope you will bear with us, enjoy the New Year's holiday, and look forward as we do to a happy and more prosperous New Year.

BOAT, SPORT AND TRAVEL SHOW TO BE HELD IN AMARILLO

The Amarillo Boat, Sport and Travel show will be held January 3-4-5, 1969 in the new Amarillo Civic Center Complex, located at East 3rd and Buchanan.

The show features exhibits of all kinds of sporting equipment, an assemblage of prospective buyers from all over the area, and a beauty contest attracting beauties from the surrounding areas.

Sponsors of the show are members of the Panhandle Boat and Ski Club, a non-profit organization interested in the development of better and safer water sport facilities and in public service projects.

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Community Greet Joyful Christmas

Throughout this community, the Christmas spirit finds expression, as once again, people are proving that this happiest of holidays is a time of tradition. A modern Christmas, just like a good old-fashioned Christmas, calls for gatherings of family and friends, with much merriment, fun and feasting. Gifts and Santa Claus express the mood of the season, especially for the youngsters. Trees and other decorations, music and song, light and laughter set the scene. As a Christian holy day, celebrated in church services and private devotions, Christmas glows with the spirit of good will, and "peace and good will" is the wish and prayer, for all mankind.

All of these traditions of Christmas are wrapped up in one. The true spirit of Christmas is most happily expressed in the exchange of greetings. "Have a Merry Christmas." That says it all — the heartfelt hope for good things for others, the good feeling that prevails, the happiness of the season rising above problems and crises, the wish to give and to share all the holiday joys and blessings.

As a special custom that symbolizes the spirit of Christmas, the exchange of greetings takes many forms. "Merry Christmas" is said person-to-person, with smiles of gladness, wherever friends and family meet. "Merry Christmas" is the message of millions of greeting cards which travel across the miles. And "Merry Christmas" is the theme of today's edition of this newspaper, in which businessmen of the community offer their special greetings and good wishes, their words of appreciation to patrons and friends.

CHRISTMAS EDITION IS PUBLISHED THIS WEEK

The Donley County Leader this week is your annual Christmas edition. It carries the children's Santa Letters along with many greetings and messages of appreciation from your local merchants.

Turn through each section and read these letters and messages. We, at the Leader office, wish to express our sincere appreciation for your help in making this issue possible.

All Citizens Must Register Now To Vote

A check with the local Tax Assessor-Collector's office this week revealed the fact that only 622 residents have registered to date to vote. This compares with 1100 at the same time last year. A conservative estimate of the number of eligible voters will exceed 2316 as that was the total number registered last year.

All persons voting must register no matter if you are over 65 years of age or will be 21, or if your age is in the span in between. There is no charge for registration. Simply go to the Tax Assessor-Collector's office in the Courthouse and ask to register. Deadline for registration is January 31, 1969. Don't put this off. Do it now! It is impossible to determine the many issues upon which you may be called to cast a ballot such as bond issues, and without registering you will not be able to vote.

Singing Carols

With voices lifted in harmony for "Silent Night," "The First Noel" and other beloved songs, today's carolers carry on a Christmas custom that originated centuries ago.

In the fourth century A. D., St. Basil was praised with a musical poem in honor of the fight for Christianity over the Byzantine emperor Julian. Later in Greece, legends of St. Basil were set to music and sung at Christmas and the New Year.

St. Francis of Assisi led the villagers of Greccio in singing hymns of praise to the Christ Child when in the 13th century he created a manger scene in this Italian town.

Tracing Santa

Santa's source, legend says, goes back to the fourth century, when St. Nicholas, a bishop of Asia Minor, was noted for his generosity and gift-giving.

In some countries, St. Nicholas still retains his role as gift-bearer. His day is, traditionally, December 6th, and European children await him on St. Nicholas Eve, December 5th.

A gray horse and a white donkey have each been credited with the honor of transporting him on his gift-giving journey.

LEADER CLASSIFIEDS GET RESULTS

Salt Fork Classic Draws Wide Interest And Attendance

The third annual Salt Fork Classic basketball tournament sponsored jointly by the Clarendon College Athletic department and the Jaycees closed Saturday night with the presentation of trophies and recognition of outstanding players. Attendance was exceptionally good throughout the three day event and the fine facilities of the new College gymnasium were enjoyed by everyone.

Clarendon High School boys, coached by Carl Irlbeck, defeated Happy 41-39 for the championship in the Boys' Division. In the Girls' Division Quitaque defeated Turkey 67-49. Clarendon High School girls took third place and Quitaque boys third. In the consolation bracket were the Shamrock girls and Hedley boys.

Free throw champions for the tournament were Steve Adams of Clarendon and Kathy Wedge of Turkey. Recognized as playing the best offensively were Sherry Stark, of Quitaque girls, and Charles Louis, boys of Clarendon. Best defensive play honors for girls was taken by Billie Sue Cheatham of Quitaque with Wick Culp of Happy taking defensive honors for the boys.

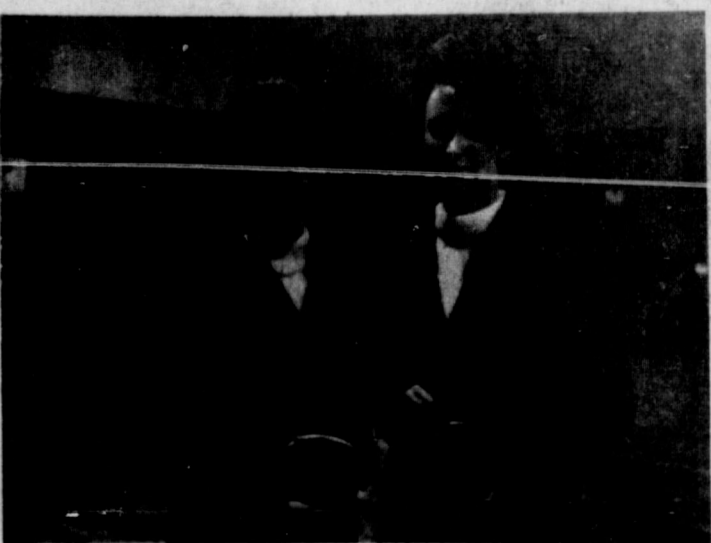
Named to the Girls' All-Star Tournament team were Sherry Stark, Jackie Cheatham, Jo Beth Merrell, Billie Sue Cheatham, all of Quitaque; Kathy Wedge of Turkey; Carol George of Hedley; Lee Ann McCracken of Clarendon; Debbie Chisum and Connie Etter of Gruver; Joyce Johnson of Quail; and Sharon Wells and Jean Palsan of Shamrock.

Named to the Boys' All-Star Tournament team were Charles Louis, Steve Adams, and Jim Moore of Clarendon; Joe Bill Demsey and Wick Culp of Happy; Leon Ward of Hedley; Johnny Pointer and Roland Hamilton of Quitaque; Mark Womble and Mike McLean of Gruver.

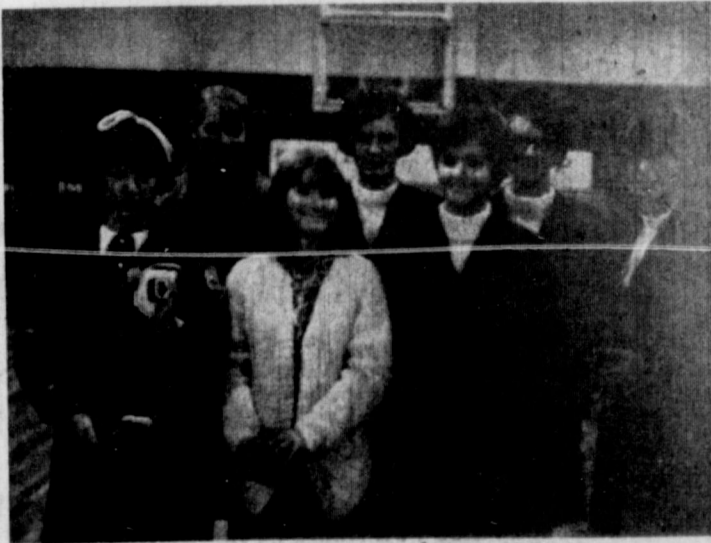
The College Athletic Department and the Jaycees would like to take this opportunity to thank all who contributed in any way to make this tournament one of the best ever held in Clarendon — the teams participating, business men and individuals, and the many fans who came out to support these fine teams.

The Bronchos will play at Flomot Friday, December 27 and at Briscoe Monday, December 27.

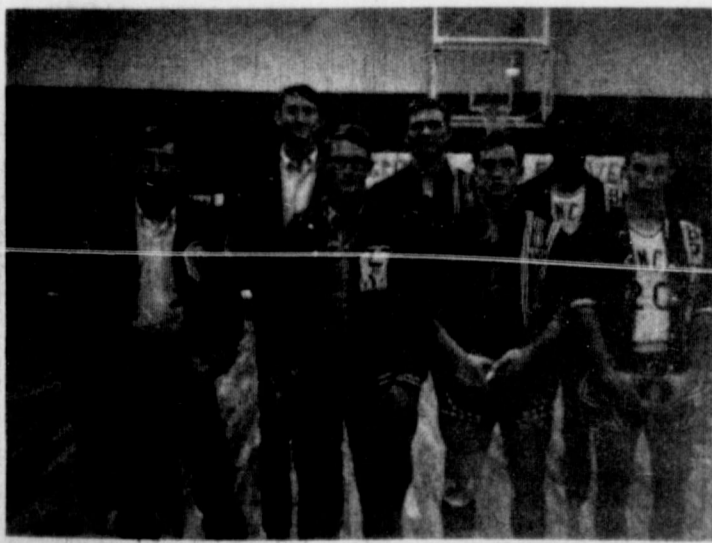
Give The Leader For Christmas



Top Girl players in Salt Fork Tournery — Sherry Stark, Best Offense and Billie Sue Cheatham, Best Defense, both from Quitaque. —Jaycee Photo



Salt Fork Tournery Girls All-Star team—Lee Ann McCracken, Clarendon, Sherry Stark, Jackie Cheatham, Jo Beth Merrell, Billie Sue Cheatham, all of Quitaque, Kathy Wedge, Turkey, Carol George, Hedley, Joyce Johnson, Quail. Jaycee Photo.



Salt Fork Tournery Boys All-Star team—Left to right, Jim Moore, Clarendon, Johnny Pointer and Roland Hamilton, Quitaque, Leon Ward, Hedley, Joe Bill Demsey and Wick Culp, Happy, Charles Louis and Steve Adams, Clarendon —Jaycee Photo



Top Boy players in Salt Fork Tournery — Charles Louis, Clarendon, (left) Best Offense; Wick Culp, Happy, Best Defense. —Jaycee Photo

Society NEWS

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Home Demonstration Club Christmas Party Friday

met Friday afternoon, December 20, in the home of Mrs. J. H. Helton for the annual Christmas party. Mrs. Helton opened the meeting by reading a Christmas prayer. The usual order of business followed with the Penny Parade.

participating after which gifts were exchanged.

The hostess, Mrs. Helton served refreshments of pumpkin pie with topping, tea, and coffee. Plate favors were Kumquats from Florida. Enjoying the occasion were Mesdames Roy Brock, Virgil Hoole, C. H. Darling, A. G. Lane, William Payne, G. L. Green, and J. H. Helton.

The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Roy Brock. Rep.

A Christmas program was presented with all of the members

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JULIE BURNS CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Julia Burns was honored on her seventh birthday with a party at the Coronado Motel. Twenty-five guests enjoyed playing games and were then served cupcakes, mints, punch, and also, of course, the birthday cake. The cake, fashioned as a birthday princess dressed in red and white, was baked for the honoree by her aunt, Suzan Wiggins of Amarillo. Decorations in the entertaining rooms were of red and white and carried out a Christmas motif.

The honoree received many lovely gifts. Hostess for the occasion was Mrs. Edith Huff, grandmother of Julia. Mrs. Ellen Castiel, and Mrs. Suzan Wiggins assisted.

GOLDSTON QUILTING CLUB

The Goldston Quilting Club met the afternoon of December 19 with Joy and Minnie Roberson for their annual Christmas party.

Joy Roberson read the Christmas story after which gifts were exchanged and polyanthuses revealed. Nina Dale offered a prayer.

Refreshments of fruit cake, candies, peanuts, punch or coffee were served to members: Minnie Roberson, Mazie Eichelberger, Lila Roberts, Bonnie Davis, Johnie Bryson, May Pearl McDonald, Eleanor Martin, Nina Dale, Blanche Gray, Alice Hall, Quata Phillips, Nora Helm of Phillips and visitors: Lena May Graham, Ruth Hondon of Fritch, and the hostess, Joy Roberson.

All had a good time and wished one and all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Rep.

THE COST OF DRIVING

The cost of automobile insurance averages out to approximately 14 cents a mile, notes the Insurance Information Institute. The figure was calculated by the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads, which reports that depreciation, maintenance, taxes, parking and tolls run the total cost of owning and operating automobiles up to 11 cents a mile.

Leader Classifieds Get Results

Greenbugs Increasing In Wheat Fields

Greenbugs, those tiny insects that can do a heap of damage when they build up to large populations, have been found in increasing numbers in wheat fields throughout the Plains area.

This report comes from Norris Daniels, entomologist at the USDA Southwestern Great Plains Research Center, Bushland, and Lyndon Almand, Extension area entomologist, Texas A&M University Agricultural Center, Lubbock.

"Recent surveys show the insects have built up in damaging populations in some fields," says the entomologists. "We urge producers to carefully check their fields about once a week to keep abreast of the greenbug situation."

"The weather plays a big role in greenbug activity and reproduction," the entomologists point out. Mild weather brings about increased greenbug numbers as they can reproduce at temperatures down to 55 degrees. However, below 65 degrees such beneficial insects as lady beetles reproduce slowly, and this situation can result in a greenbug build-up. Prolonged cold weather below the 50-degree mark will ring greenbug activity and reproduction to a standstill.

The entomologists say that populations of 25 to 50 greenbugs per linear foot of row on young wheat may warrant treatment. As the plant increases in size, it can withstand heavier populations. A guide to follow in determining the need for treatment is based on plant height (in inches) and the number of greenbugs per linear foot: 3-6 inches, 100-300 greenbugs; 4-8 inches, 300-400 greenbugs; and 6-16 inches, 300-800 greenbugs.

Insecticides recommended for controlling greenbugs include malathion, methyl parathion, phosphamidon. More effective control is obtained when the temperature is above 50 degrees.

With most wheat making good growth, an important item to consider in selecting an insecticide is the waiting period required before the wheat can be grazed after spraying, point out the entomologists. Malathion, being less toxic, requires the shortest waiting period, 7 days, while phosphamidon has a waiting period of 30 days. Both parathion and methyl parathion have a waiting period of 15 days from the time of spraying until grazing.

Broomweed Control An Aid To Range Grass Growth

Often annual broomweeds are a problem on many of the mesquite controlled areas in Texas. The reason for this weed infestation is that grasses do not have time to re-establish after the aerial spray work, says G. O. Hoffman, Extension range brush and weed control specialist at Texas A & M University.

To re-establish a good grass turf following aerial spraying to control mesquite, the landowner would need to spray the area for weed control using 2, 4-D. It is better to wait until the mesquite has leafed out and then spray the pasture. This way, the 2, 4-D will give weed control and also defoliate the mesquite, giving the grass a chance to use all the moisture available, the specialist pointed out.

Mesquite that is defoliated with 2, 4-D will re-leaf late in that season, therefore it should be at least two years before 2, 4-D is applied for control.

To control annual broomweeds, use one pound of 2, 4-D low volatile ester per acre before susceptible crops are planted. This can either be applied by airplane or with ground equipment. Use about 20 gallons of solution per acre with ground sprayers and four gallons per acre with the airplane.

Hoffman said the pasture should be deferred from 30 to 90 days following spraying to allow the grass to develop top growth and a root system before grazing.

For additional information concerning weed control, Hoffman suggests a visit with a local county agent.

Pricklypear Can Be Controlled

Heavy infestations of pricklypear on ranges can reduce forage production and become a hindrance to grazing animals, says G. O. Hoffman, Extension range brush and weed control specialist at Texas A&M University.

Most often, the pricklypear in-

festations occur in areas where the brush is controlled, usually by mechanical methods. In 1963, pricklypear became a serious enough problem in the South Texas Plains area to warrant the entrance of the Agricultural Extension Service into an extension demonstration program to control it with broadcast treatment.

The treatment consisted of bruising the pricklypear with a drag, followed by a broadcast spraying of herbicides. Best results were obtained by dragging the cactus two ways, followed by broadcast spraying of two pounds acid equivalent of 2, 4, 5-T mixed in 30 gallons of solution per acre with a ground sprayer, or 7.5

gallons with aerial spray. The bruising and spraying sometimes have to be repeated to obtain the desired control, said Hoffman. In the five years of treatment, it has been determined that 2, 4, 5-T will give about 80-90 percent control of the infestation in 24 months. Cost of this treatment is about \$11 per acre.

One objective of the demonstration is to show everyone in the program how to properly apply the control methods where they will provide the maximum control of noxious plants and improve range conditions. Hoffman pointed out.

For further information concerning control of pricklypear and other noxious range plants,



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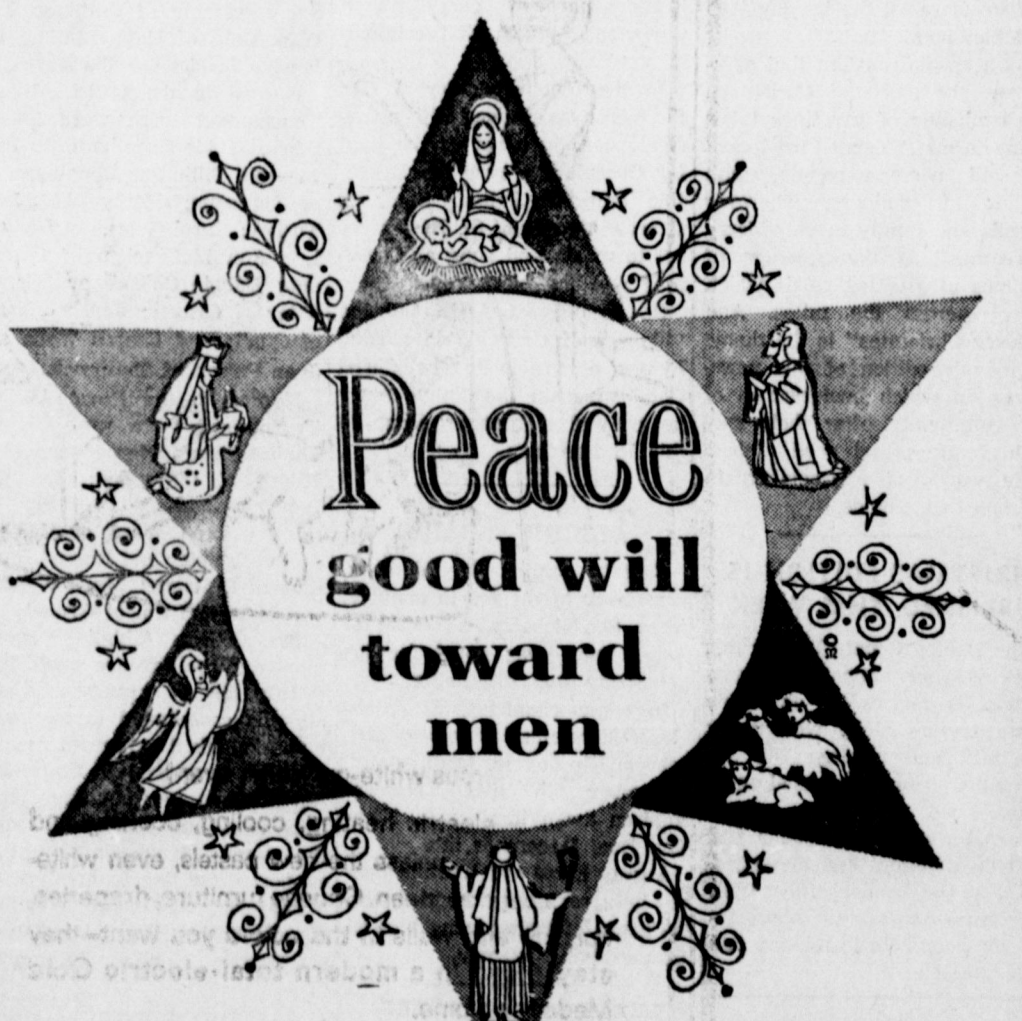
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JOHN'S

IRS Answers To Taxpayers Questions

This column of questions and answers on federal tax matters is provided by the local office of the U. S. Internal Revenue Service and is published as a public service to taxpayers. The column answers questions most frequently asked by taxpayers.

Q—How do you justify settling tax debts with famous people for just a fraction of what they owe when you get the full amount from the average taxpayer?

A—The same treatment is provided all taxpayers regardless of their income or amount of tax liability. The situations where some taxpayers settle their tax

obligations for less than what IRS says they owe occur with average individuals as well as famous individuals even though it does not receive the same publicity.

There are two basic situations where taxpayers settle their liability for less than the amount assessed. The first occurs where the actual amount of the tax owed is disputed by the taxpayer. In these cases, a lesser tax liability may result following a court decision on the case or a pre-trial agreement between the taxpayer and IRS. The determining factors could be the court's interpretation of the law or the availability of records the taxpayer had not previously provided.

The second situation occurs when the amount of tax due is not questioned but the taxpayer

doesn't have sufficient assets and income to make full payment over a reasonable period of time. In this situation, an agreement representing the taxpayer's ability to pay may be made after first determining no greater amount can be collected by any other means. Such agreements also provide that if the taxpayer's financial situation improves payment will be increased according to maximum ability to pay.

Q—Can a farmer depreciate his breeding stock?

A—It depends on how the stock was acquired. If the breeding stock was raised rather than purchased then the stock can't be depreciated. The cost of raising is deducted as a farm expense.

If the stock was purchased, then depreciation is the only

way to recover this investment over its useful life. The cost of purchased breeding stock is not deductible in one year where it has a useful life of more than one year.

Q—I've been asked to send in my records on contributions. If I do that and the records are all right, will I have to make a personal trip to your office?

A—The purpose of having a taxpayer mail his records to IRS is to avoid whatever inconvenience a taxpayer may experience by having to make a personal visit to our offices. In some cases, however, the records supplied by the taxpayer are not adequate and a personal interview with the taxpayer is arranged.

To answer your question, a personal visit to our offices will depend on the adequacy of your

tax records.
Q—I want to sell some stock I own before the end of the year so that I can deduct my losses on this year's return. Does the stock actually have to be sold by the end of the year or is it enough to have notified your broker by December 31?

A—On the sale of stock, the date your stock was sold at a loss is the one you should use for tax purposes. If this date, or trade date as it is sometimes called, came in your 1968 tax year then the transaction can be reported on your 1968 return. However, gains are reported in the year you have actual or constructive receipt of the money.

Q—I work and have to pay someone to look after my children until I get home. Can I deduct this expense?

A—Child care expenses may

be deducted when certain conditions are met. Be sure to check the instructions that come with the tax forms. They explain what you have to do to qualify for this deduction.

Tax Laws On Business Travel, Entertainment

If you plan to list a business deduction for travel and entertainment expenses be sure to have the records to substantiate these expenses, Ellis Campbell, Jr., District Director of Internal Revenue for Northern Texas, said today. Estimates of these expenses are not legally acceptable for tax purposes.

Mr. Campbell said in many instances, a taxpayer should keep a diary or timely record as well as receipts and invoices to back

up a travel or entertainment expense.

To substantiate entertainment expenses you must establish the amount of each separate expenditure except for miscellaneous items like cabs, phone calls, tips and meals while traveling away from home, which can be added together for each day. In addition, the date of the expenditure must be confirmed, the name of the person entertained indicated and the type and location of the entertainment described.

Mr. Campbell said the taxpayer's records should also show the reason for the entertainment or the business benefit expected, the nature of the business discussion and the names, titles and business relationship of the persons entertained.

The detailed rules on how to deduct travel and entertainment expenses are given in IRS Publication 463. For a free copy, send a post card to Supply, Internal Revenue Service, P. O. Box 1738, Dallas, Texas 75221.

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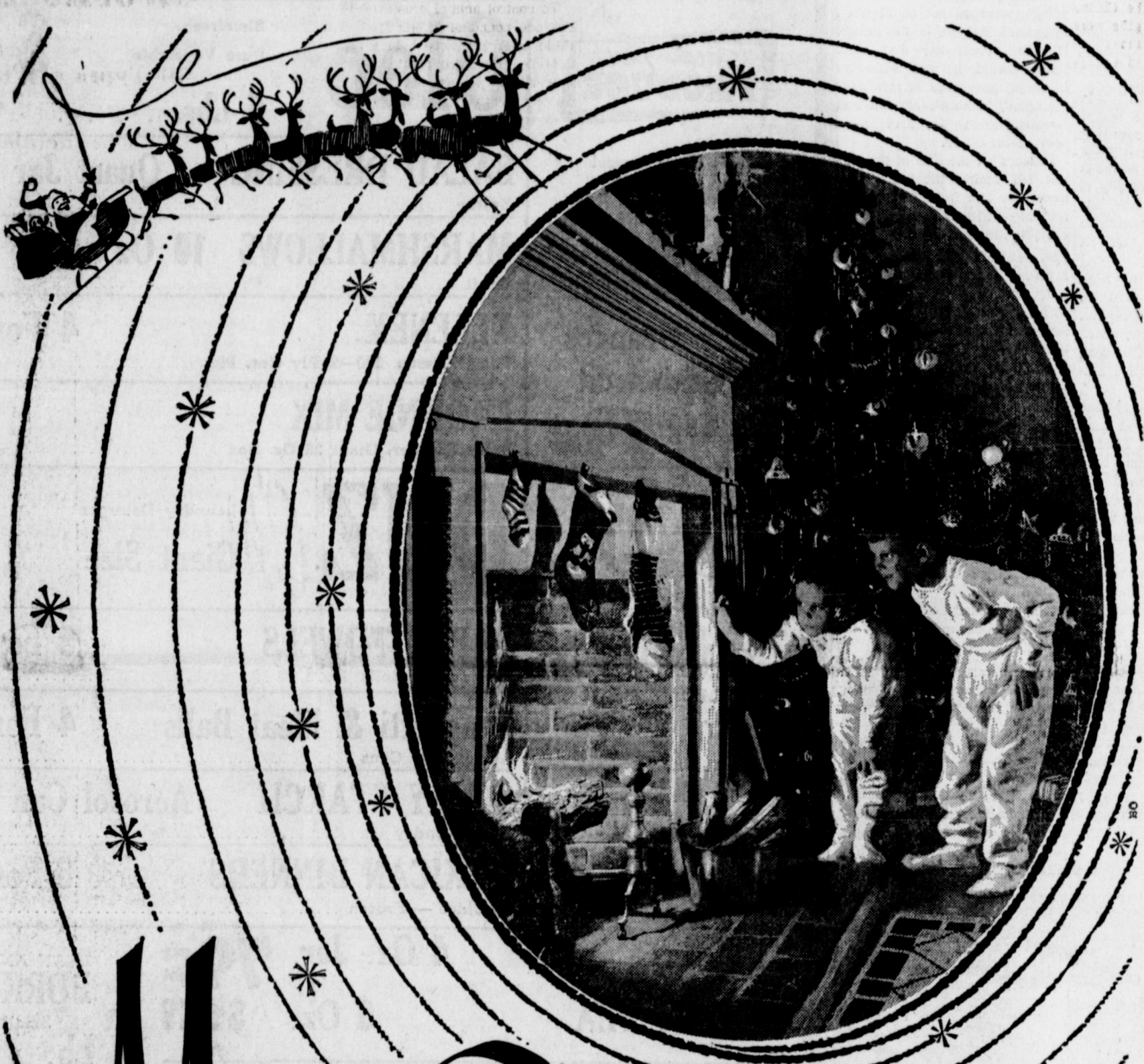
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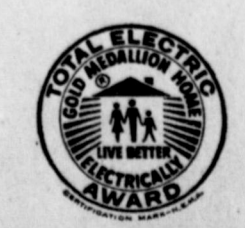
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Capital NEWS

Bone dry areas of West and South Texas got a monumental Christmas present unwrapped before December 25. It was in the form of a \$10 billion master plan for development of Texas water resources, as revealed by the Texas Water Development Board.

Its long-sighted recommendation, which propose moving water westward and southward through an elaborate network of canals and pipelines from Louisiana and East Texas, may leave the suppliers wondering whether it is indeed more blessed to give than to receive.

Highlights of the massive plan, compiled over a period of four years, includes the following proposals:

Importation of 12 to 13 million acre feet of surplus water annually from Mississippi and transportation uphill through canals from Sulphur and Sabine River reservoirs to the Lubbock area and the Rio Grande Valley respectively. Pipelines would move it along to many Texas cities and irrigated farming areas of West Texas and on to New Mexico. Other waters from rain-rich East Texas basins would move through the same major facilities to the South and as far as El Paso on the western edge of the state.

Construction of 67 major new dams and reservoirs and two salt water barriers at a cost of \$2.4 billion. They would contain a total of 33.6 million acre feet of conservation storage and 16.1 million acre feet of flood control capacity.

Trans-Texas and Coastal canals would carry water across North Texas westward and down the Texas coast to the South. Major pipeline would move water from Pecos to El Paso.

Rio Grande waters would be moved through another canal from Amistad Dam at Del Rio to Maverick and Webb Counties and to the vegetable-growing Winter Garden area around Carrizo Springs.

Some 220,000 acre feet of supplemental surface water needed for San Antonio would be piped from Cuero, Cibola and Goliad reservoirs in Guadalupe and San Antonio River basins. A longer-range possibility in diversion from the Colorado River.

Power would have to be generated to pump water through the Trans-Texas canal and the pipeline to El Paso. Coastal division would provide 2.5 million acre feet of fresh water inflows to bays and estuaries and coastal wildlife refuges.

Planners hope for congressional authorization of Ciboia, Cuero and Goliad projects by 1972, approval of a coastal canal, link with Mississippi River and Trans-Texas Canal by 1973, appropriations by 1974 and design-construction authorization by 1975. First water hopefully would be delivered through the Coastal Canal from Sabine northeast of Seatumont to the Rio Grande Valley in 1980. Goal for water movement through the 500-mile concrete-lined Trans-Texas Canal from East Texas is 1985 — and from Mississippi westward in 1988.

Gov.-elect Preston Smith and Lt. Gov.-elect Ben Barnes lauded the plan and pledged cooperation in enacting the necessary legislation. Smith urged unity and tempering of criticism with positive suggestions for improvement.

Water Board Executive Director or Howard B. Boswell said no water development program on such a scale "has ever been attempted anywhere." Boswell emphasized that water users ultimately would pay the state's \$2.5 billion to \$3 billion share of the overall cost.

COURTS SPEAK — A three-judge federal court here upheld constitutionality of an 1879 Texas law under which 42 student demonstrators were arrested for interfering with an Austin man's lawful pursuit of his business by picketing and blocking his driveway.

Court of Criminal Appeals affirmed the death penalty in a 1965 Hosston rape case and a 10-year sentence of a San Antonio man in a street-brawl stab-slaying.

Suit brought in federal court by Sinclair, Oil Corporation against Gulf and Western Industries Inc. has been indefinitely postponed.

BLUE LAW CHAOS — Texas Supreme Court leaned on a jurisdictional question and declined to rule on the constitutionality of the state's Blue Law, which has been declared unconstitutional by a half-dozen Texas district judges.

In a Midland case, the High Court said the state waited too long to appeal from a district court's striking of the law, which prohibits the selling of a long list of items on consecutive Saturdays and Sunday.

So until another appeal can get to the court, stores in such cities as Midland, Corpus Christi, San Antonio, Abilene and Fort Worth are staying open seven days a week, while stores in other cities — like Austin, Waco and Dallas — must stay closed.

Constitutional question is whether the list of items in the statute is too vague and indefinite for the average consumer — or merchant — to understand.

MOBILE THEATER — Texas Fine Arts Commission plans to produce a mobile theatrical company to perform bilingual versions of popular plays in areas of the state which are predominantly Latin-American.

Commission is getting a \$6,700 grant from the National Endowment for the Arts to finance the plan.

GOVERNOR SUBMITS "SKELETON" BUDGET — Gov. John Connally has submitted to the Legislature a bare-bones budget and recommended that in the future incoming governors have exclusive say for the executive department on spending recommendations.

Connally calculates the Legislature will inherit a general revenue balance of \$103.5 million to help finance new and expanded programs. His own billion dollar general revenue "fiscal summary" (\$5.5 billion from all funds) for 1970-71 allows only for increases "necessary to meet commitments the state has previously made and to financing programs at current rates."

Nevertheless, the general revenue outlay he suggested is nearly \$100 million over the current level. It includes nothing for such high-priority items as a (\$200 million) teacher pay raise, building, water plan implementation or vocational education program expansion.

Connally suggested that outgoing governors not be required to submit budgets in the future. He also concluded that state funds should be set aside for incoming governors to hire staff members, establish clerical and communication facilities and operate an office.

Rumors on the size of the new tax bill facing the Legislature next year run from \$200 to \$400 million — with best estimates in the \$230 million range.

OIL ALLOWABLE RAISED — Railroad Commission raised January statewide oil allowable to 43.7 per cent of potential after four straight months at 41.3 per cent.

Allowable will permit a maximum production of 3,254,005 barrels daily. That is 127,559 more than December.

HANDICAPPED CHILDREN GRANT — U. S. Office of Education has awarded Texas Education Agency and Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation a \$915,412 grant to strengthen education programs and related services for handicapped children.

This federal money is part of a \$29.7 million appropriation being distributed among the 50 states, Puerto Rico and Guam on a formula based on average daily attendance of handicapped children in special schools.

Funded projects may strengthen instructional programs by adding specialized teachers, consultants, evaluation specialists, speech pathologists and teacher aids, as well as expanding programs in a number of directions.

Christmas GREETINGS

It's time once more to turn aside from the routine of day-to-day business and greet our fine patrons and neighbors with hearty wishes for a merry, old-fashioned Yule. May your holiday be filled with the happy sounds of laughter as you rejoice in the company of family and friends. Sincere thanks for your loyal trust and support.

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MEXICAN DINNERS 3 For **\$1.00**
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DRY MILK 12 Qt. Box **98c**
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Estimated Income Tax Deadline For Farmers

Farmers who earned at least two-thirds of their 1968 gross income from farming operations should file their declaration of estimated Federal income tax, including self-employment, for 1968 with the Southwest Service Center, 3651 S. Interregional Highway, Austin, Texas 78740, on or before Wednesday, January 15, 1969. Form 1040-ES should be used for this purpose.

However, Ellis Campbell, Jr., District Director of Internal Revenue for Northern Texas, said that farmers do not have to file an estimate if they file their 1968 Federal income tax return

and pay all the tax due by February 17, 1969.

"Farmer's Tax Guide," (Publication 225), which furnishes information on this subject, may be obtained by dropping a post card to Supply, Internal Revenue Service, P. O. Box 1738, Dallas, Texas 75221, or from your county farm agent.

Fishermen who expect to receive at least two-thirds of their gross income from fishing may file estimates on Form 1040 in lieu of an estimate, on the same dates prescribed for farmers.

Bringing The Tree

Christmas trees were first introduced to France in 1837, when Princess Helen of Mecklenburg married the Duke of Orleans and brought with her to Paris the Yule customs of her native country.

In spite of this and many later efforts to advance the cause of the Christmas tree, Parisians still prefer the earlier tradition, which says that gift exchange time for French adults is New Year's day.

Mrs. T. M. Shaver left Sunday to spend the holidays with the Martin girls in El Reno, Okla. She will return December 30.

Federal Grant For Palo Duro Approved

A Federal grant of \$112,400 has been approved for additional development of Palo Duro State Park, 12 miles of Canyon in Armstrong and Randall Counties, according to Will Odom, chairman of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission.

These funds will be matched by appropriations made by the State Legislature on a 50-50 basis for a total of \$224,800.

The funds will be used to provide outdoor recreation for the general public by constructing restrooms, campsites, trailer units with shade shelters, roads and parking facilities, and necessary supporting utilities.

The project also includes design, layout, site preparation and landscaping.

Palo Duro Canyon is approximately one million years old and exposes 50 million years of geological formations.

The canyon was the scene of a decisive battle between Comanche and Kiowa Indians and the U. S. Army troops under General Ronald MacKenzie (1874-76).

The early history of Texas, is depicted in a musical drama,

"Texas" held in the park's outdoor theater.

The Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund Program is administered on the Federal level by the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, U. S. Department of the Interior. Its funds are derived from the sale of the \$7 Golden Eagle Passport, and other recreation funds.

Odom is State Liaison Officer for the fund and responsible for reviewing projects and proposals submitted for Federal assistance.

Giving Gifts

Like greetings, gifts are synonymous with Christmas, as part of a custom that probably has its beginning in the Wise Men's presentation of gold, frankincense and myrrh to the Christ Child.

Some researchers trace the gift-giving tradition to even earlier, pre-Christian times. During pagan holidays observed at about the same time as the modern Christmas, ancient Romans and Britons exchanged gifts in token of the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Helton, students at Texas Tech, Lubbock, are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Helton and Mr. and Mrs. Doug Burgess at Brice.

Baking Cakes

If the weather on St. Nicholas Day, December 6th, is misty, a Dutch legend can explain it. St. Nicholas is baking his cakes.

Traditional cakes — Zelten or Klose — are adorned with different figures. These, children are told, are the marks made by St. Nicholas' donkey as he steps over the cakes on his way through the mist.

Wrapping Gifts

When German tradition is followed, unwrapping a Christmas gift can be an amusing but complicated process.

One gift may have many consecutive wrappings, each with a different name on it, and the final wrapping may reveal not a gift, but a card telling the gift is hidden.

Other cards in other hiding places lead to a treasure hunt, ending in the discovery of the gift.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Putman of Corpus Christi are spending the holidays with relatives and friends.

Give The Leader For Christmas

It's A Mystery

Mysterious things happen on Christmas Eve, say country legends of Switzerland. Young people may foretell the future, if they drink from nine different fountains while the midnight church bells chime. Then, if they hasten to the church steps, their future mates will await them there.

Somewhat less romantically older folk seek to predict the weather for the coming year, using onion peels filled with salt.

Jerking Junior Dislocates Elbow

Your child steps into the street into traffic and you jerk him back, hard. He begins to scream. Daddy swings Amy high in the air, by the arms, and suddenly laughter turns into a scream.

The scream is pain — pain that a child feels when his elbow is suddenly jerked out of place, dislocated. One of the most common childhood accidents receives relatively little notice. Today's Health points out, and yet it should be attended to promptly by a doctor to avoid complications.

A simple maneuver by the doctor can snap the injured member back into place quickly. But it takes a doctor's know-how. Beware pulled elbow in any child under five.



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BANANAS Lb. 9c

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DOG FOOD 7 For \$1.00

Red Heart, 300 Cans

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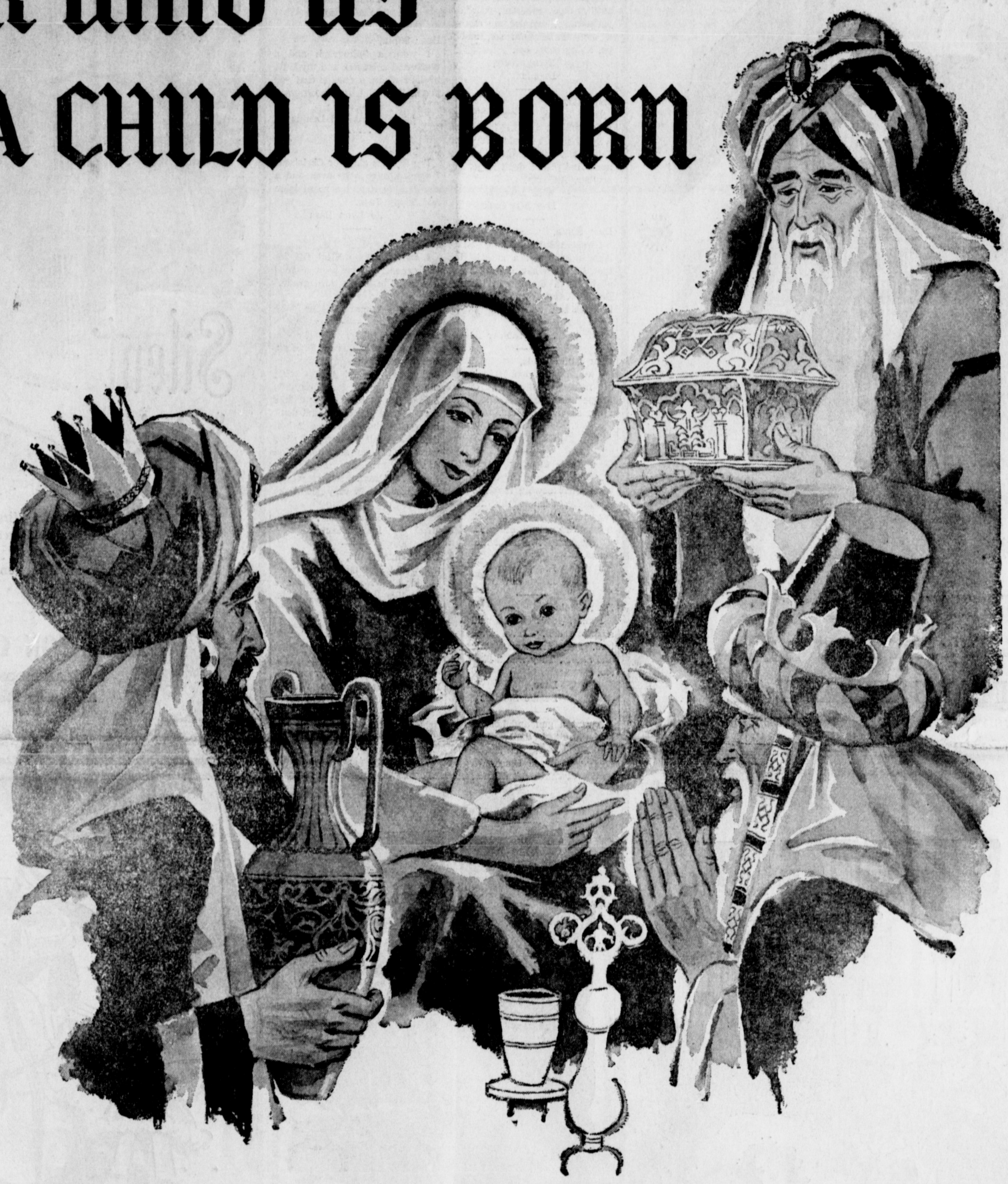
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Letters To Santa

Santa,
Please send me a typewriter, push button phone, ride 'n see bus, all metal doll house, and a deluxe game chest, Grand Prix race game, convertible trainers, walkie-talkie, Polaroid Swinger outfit, tape recorder, cordless phono-radio, and for my mother a modern bedroom set, and 7 pc. living room set.
Yours Truly,
Donnie

To Santa,
Dear Santa, please bring me an organ and a doll. I have been a good girl. I would like some candy and some fruit and some nuts. And please don't forget my brother, Anthony.
With Love,
Dee Ann Cook

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie doll that talks. Also a bike and a stuffed dog that barks. What I want most of all is a doll house for my Barbie. What I want last of all is a tea set.
Good-bye
Susan Molder

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a pool table, barrel of monkeys, Strategy, Coiton Magic and Johnny Eagle Rifle. I am seven years old.
My Name Is
Gary White

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a vanity for Christmas, an electric sewing machine and a knitting machine, my little sister wants a Tippy Toes doll and a set of dishes. My brother wants a transistor, two trucks and a crane.
Love,
Donna Haire

Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old. I would like a Barbie doll. I have three sisters. They are Ronda, Tammy and Sherri. They would like dolls too.
Love,
Bonnie Sanders

I want a gun and holster set, football suit, football shoes, belt with a cow picture on the buckle.
Butch Blackburn

Dear Santa,
I am eight years old. I have a brother and a sister. Their names are Gin and Ben. I would like a record player. Gin would like a dolly. Ben would like a baseball cap like mine. I hope you bring it so I can have mine back.
Thank You,
John Clifford

Dear Santa,
I want a Spirograph and a truck and a tractor and my little brother wants a tractor that you pedal. He and I have been good.
Love,
Brent and Dennis

Dear Santa,
I'm 9 years old. For Christmas I want a easy bake oven and a say it play it and a zoom loom and Tippy Toes.
Jo Lynn Bass

Dear Santa,
I want a Belly Blast Off for Christmas. I have been a good boy too. I'm in the third grade.
Love
Tommy Leeper

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Leroy Sanchez. I'm 7 years old and in the second grade. I want you to bring me a Spirograph for Christmas. I have two brothers, their names are Richard and Christ and don't have any sisters. Please Santa, don't forget all the boys and girls who don't have any mom and dad and money to buy something. My brother wants a gun and truck. I'm a very good little boy.
Yours Truly,
Leroy Sanchez

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like Go Back, and I would like Koo Boom, and I would like Pop-O-Matie Trouble. I am eight years old.
My Name Is
Bobby White

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy eleven years old. Please bring me two Walkie-Talkie for Christmas and some candy and nuts too. I live at Ashola and be good to all the other boys and girls.
Love,
Hugh Mahaffey



Silent Night

As the story of the first Christmas unfolds in churches and homes across the land, may you and yours share in its hope for "Peace on Earth, Good Will to All Men."

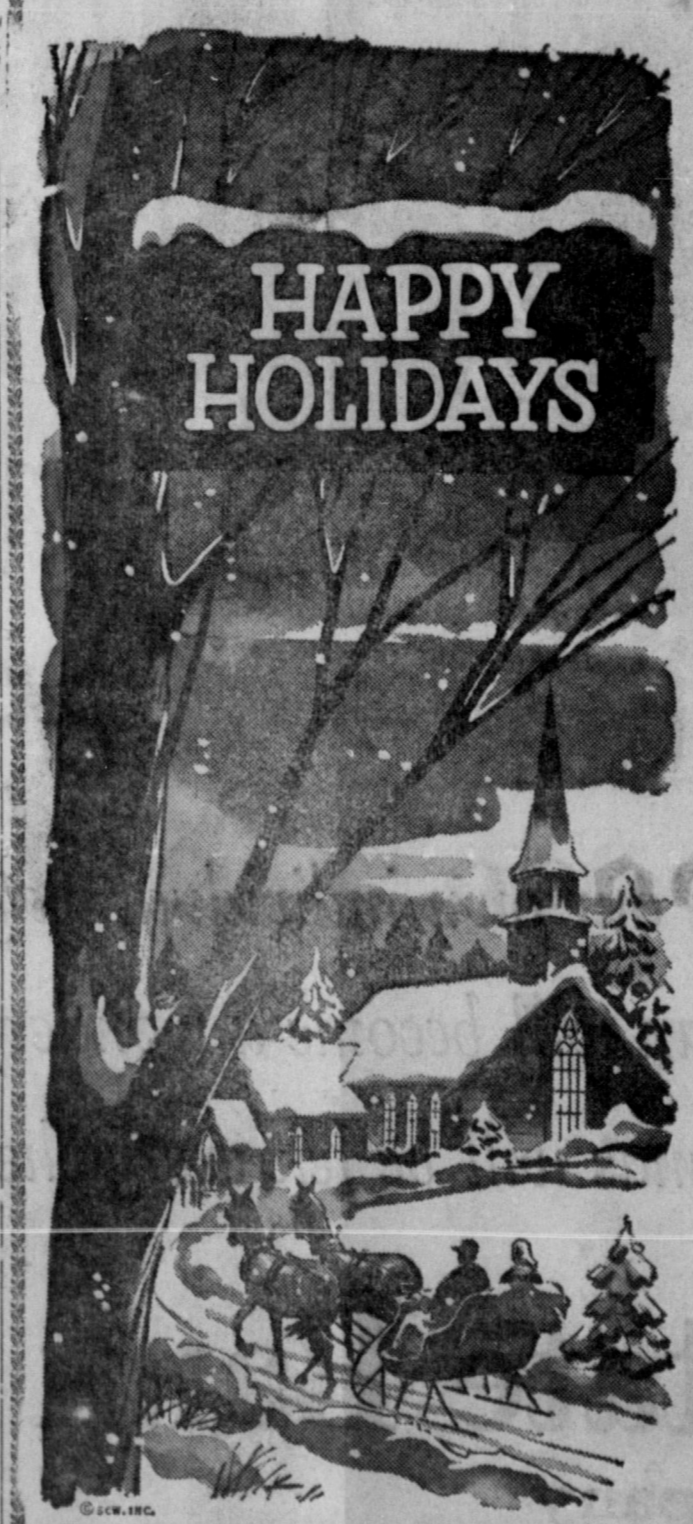
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Letters To Santa

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy, my name is Joe Anthony Jaramillo and I am a real nice boy. I don't fight and I want a crane and a tractor and a truck. I love you Santa. You are real nice.

Yours Truly,
Joe Anthony Jaramillo
Lelia Lake, Texas

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me the Bonanza Set with Little Joe, Hoss and Ben and the wagon. I have tried to be a good little boy and work very hard in school.

Please don't forget my teacher, Mrs. Mears and all the other boys and girls. I would like some nuts, candy and army men in my stocking.

Love,
Bill Cornell

Dear Santa,
My name is Chris. I have a brother named Dewey. I am 7 and Dewey will be 10 December 19. For Christmas I want a cowboy set with a sleeping bag, a football suit, a Cape Kennedy airport kit, a bow and arrow set, secret weapon set, commander set and Astro-train. Be sure and don't forget Dewey.

Love,
Chris

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Easy-Baker, a doll, and smoe new clothes. And I want some dishes. I want all of this for Christmas.

Your Friend,
Ella Faylene Weatherton

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a Billy Blastoff and a car with pedals. I would also like a Mustang model car. I have been a good boy, sort of anyway.

Love,
Forest Holt

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy six years old. It has been a little hard, but mother says I have been good. Please bring me a Billy Blastoff, a robot, and a football uniform. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Bryan McElroy

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy five years old. I have been very good. Please bring me some real spurs like daddy's, a Billy Blastoff, a Super Sport, and anything else you think I might like. Please don't forget the other boys and girls.

Mitchell McElroy

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy four years old. Please bring a Billy Blastoff, a Mighty Mike skyway set, and a talking Smokey Bear. I have tried to be very good all year. Don't forget all the other children.

Wade McElroy
P.S. There will be milk and cookies waiting for you.

Dear Santa,
I'm a little girl seven years old, and I'm in the second grade at Cactus Elementary. My little sister is five and goes to Pre-School at Acker Private School. We have been pretty good girls this year. We've helped our daddy and mother nearly all year.

For Christmas we would like the same thing; just the way it's been every year. This year we would like to have Baby Party, a vanity set with make-up and everything that comes with it. We would like to have new baskets for our bikes, too, also some new games and records.

Thank you for all our toys you brought us last year. And, Santa, don't forget the boys in the service, especially our David.

Love,
Tonya and Lanie Hopkins
Levelland, Texas
P.S. Don't forget we will be at our Nanny Parker's house this year in Clarendon.

Dear Santa,
I am eight years old. I am in the second grade. I have been a good girl this year. May I have a guitar and a Susie Home-maker grill, a talking Barbie doll and a Tippy Toes doll. May I have a doll coach too and Easy Curl. Bring all the other children toys too.

Merry Christmas
Cyndie Carol Swinney

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 2 1/2 years old. I live with mother and dad in Amarillo. But will be in Clarendon at my grannie Roberson's house for Christmas. I would like a red wagon, grader, train, football and a horse that I can ride in the house. And any thing else you would like to bring me. I have been a good boy. Don't forget mother and dad, my grannies and Papa and Aunt Minnie and all the other little children.

Todd Roberson
Amarillo, Texas

Dear Santa
I would like to have a baby Tippy Toes and a radio. I don't really care what you bring me. I would like anything.

Love,
Robbie Turpen

Dear Santa Claus
Santa, I want baby crawled along, she is a very sweet doll. I been wanting her for all my life. Santa my sister wants talking Barbie, you know the big tall doll. My Annie want a swinger so bad she was crying for one. Well this is all. My Annie sure wants a swinger. Don't forget the dolls.

Love,
Beverly Carmea

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the second grade, please bring me a doll, clothes and play dishes for Christmas. I would like a sewing machine if you have one for little girls, also an electric hair brush. Don't forget Jacque.

Your Friend,
Mary Jo Hermesmeier

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm a little girl almost 9 years old. I have been pretty good this year, and would like for you to bring me a purse and some hose also a lot of candy, fruit and nuts. Don't forget my two sisters, Jane and Alice, who want a purse and hose also. My little brother, Mark, who wants a guitar and a pool table and anything else you think we might like. Bring all the other boys and girls something too.

I Love You
Cynthia Dickerson

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bicycle, trampoline, and a football suit. Also a race car for the set that you brought me last year.

Love,
Bright Newhouse

Dear Santa,
My name is Jeff Neely. I live in Clarendon, Texas. This year I have tried to be a good boy. If you can please bring me some of my wishes for Christmas. Billy Blastoff, Capt. Blazer, Major Matt Mason, Bulldozer, Road Grader, Play Dough, Cowboy Boots, Spirotot, School Clothes, A color and chain for my puppy. Thank you Santa, Merry Christmas and please be careful. If you should fall off your sled I'll come help you up.

See You Soon,
Jeff

Dear Santa,
I want the Gold Knight of the Nobel Knights and a G. I. Joe sailor. I don't care if it's a talking G.I. Joe or not.

Billy Price

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a telescope to look at the moon and the stars. Also, I need a new Gumby and Pokey. And a basketball would be nice. How are you doing, Santa Claus? I'm doing fine. How is Mrs. Santa Claus? I hope that you are feeling good, both of you. Santa, I will be by the fireplace Christmas night. I will leave you some cookies and milk. I will see you on Christmas night.

See You Later,
Shad Selvidge, Age 7

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a big trampoline, a Johnny astrogun, a hotwheel set, a crazy car, and a racing car set.

Thank You,
Bobby Ellerbrook

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a dump truck, a bulldozer, a game, and a Dallas Cowboy football helmet. I would like some new clothes, too. I have been a good boy.

Love,
Gary McClellan

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a purse and knee boots and baby party. I want Easy Bake mixes and bell bottoms and a fall. I want a watch. I want all those things for Christmas. I hope I have a very nice Christmas too.

Terri Kay Britten

Dear Santa,
I want the Lawman gun set and the Bonanza set for Christmas. I would like some toys for my little brother, Arlis, too. We have been pretty good boys this year.

Your Friend,
Gary Thomas

Dear Santa,
This year for Christmas I would like a firebolt space cannon for Major Matt Mason. I want Captain Lazor and a target-land rifle range.

Yours Truly,
Brent Hardin

Dear Santa,
I have been good. Thank you for what you brought me last year. I want you to bring me a watch, a baby First Step and a Easy Bake oven.

Love,
Millie Bea Hill

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope you have a nice Christmas. I want a football. I am 7 years old.

Your Friend,
Mickey Rangel

Dear Santa Claus
Bring me what you want to.
Ellen Green



HEARTFELT Good Wishes of the Season

May the Christmas story inspire each hearer's heart to see in everything God's gracious goodness...to find reward in giving...to be wealthier for sharing...to become as little children, for of such is Heaven's kingdom.

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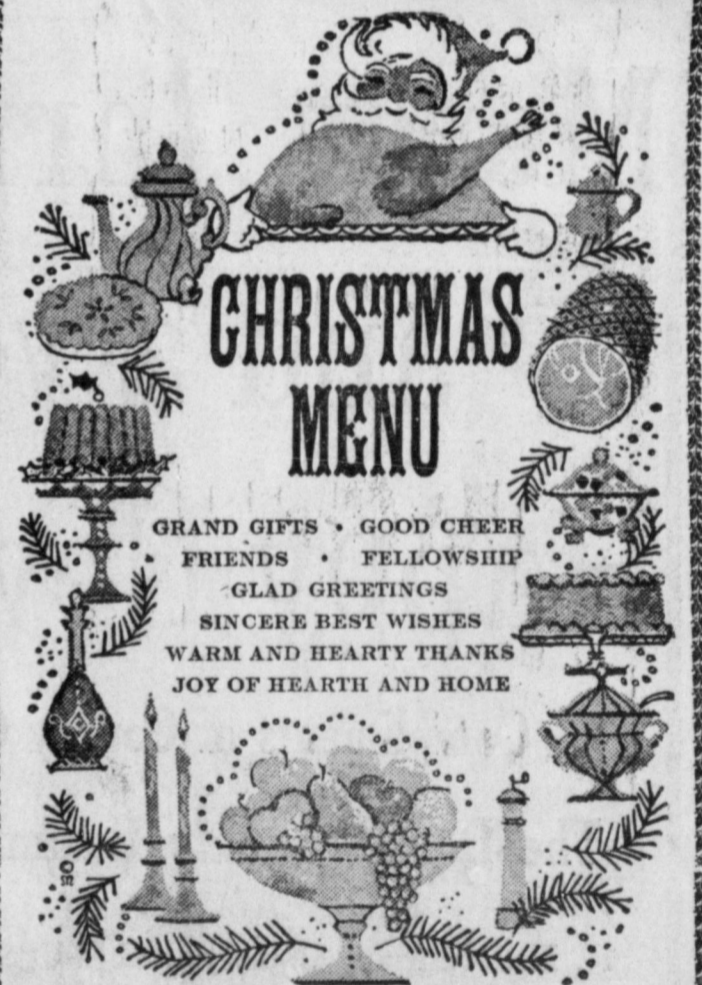
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Letters To Santa

Dear Ho, Ho,
I am a little boy 2 years old. I have played all year with the toys you brought me last Christmas. This Christmas I would like to have a fire truck, a football shirt and helmet. Please bring Uncle Sonny a good cinch belt for his saddle.
Love,
Kyle Allen
Hart, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a baby hungry, and a dishwasher, and a doll in a bottle and a flannel board and coloring, some books and crayons and some cards and a baby sister sure. Merry Christmas to you and Mrs. Claus.
Love,
Renee Cosper

Dear Santa,
I'm a mischievous little boy 16 months old. I've tried real hard to be a good boy and I think maybe I have been, but please don't ask mommie and daddy about that if you have to have a reference, ask my Bama. I'd like for you to bring Mrs. Beasley to our house for Christmas. I'd also like some pull toys and a drum. We'll be at my great-grandparents in Kerville Christmas Eve. I hope you can find their house. Don't forget my friends and aunt Teresa and uncle Tracy on your your route.
Love,
Shannon Solomon

Dear Santa,
I'm a little girl 20 months old and I've been pretty good considering all the things I have to do in self defense from my brother, Tracy, and my nephew Shannon. I'd like for you to bring Mornel the Mustang and a baby doll to leave under our tree for me. Be sure to bring Tracy and Shannon some good surprises cause ever, though they sometimes forget I'm a little girl, their good guys.
Love,
Teresa Richardson

Dear Santa,
I'm looking forward to your visit this year and I've made a real effort to be a good boy so you'll leave a bicycle under our Christmas tree. If you think I've been good, I'd also like racing game, "See and Say", and some games. Don't forget my little sister, Teresa and my nephew, Shannon. I guess they've been good. I go to kindergarten and am learning to write. Next year when I go to real school I can write you all by myself and my sister won't have to help me. We'll have pie and milk on the table for a snack when you stop at our house.
I Love You,
Tracy Wayne Richardson

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a record player and a choo-choo train. I think Laresa would like a baby doll. Thank you for being so nice to all the boys and girls. I am trying really hard to be a good boy.
I Love You,
Vincent Kingsley

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a baby doll that bathes, a telephone, a snow machine, a cotton magic and some cards and a play watch.
Love,
Leann

Dear Santa,
Leann wants some cards and a Cotton Magic. And a play watch.

Dear Santa,
I am only 17 months old, so my mommie is writing this letter for me. Would you please bring me a Wonder Horse and little doll for Christmas. I would also like some candy and stocking stuffers. Please don't forget all my cousins and the other little boys and girls in the world. I will leave you some milk and cake.
Love,
Debbie Burton

Dear Santa,
My name is Tim Cole. Would you please bring me a pull toy, and a toy that I can ride on. Just anything else you think I might like. Terry and I also would like a new record player as ours doesn't play very well any more. Terry thinks I need a gun and holster set also. Thank you very much and I will try to be asleep at that time.
Love You Always,
Tim

Dear Santa,
I am 9 years old and in the 3rd grade. I want some Levis, western shirts, cowboy boots, and a ball set. Please be good to all the children all over the world. Have a good Christmas.
Yvonne Jackson,
Smyer, Texas

Dear Santa,
I want a truck and an airplane like Willie's.
Love,
Rolando

Dear Santa Claus,
I want to have a Christmas Party. Please bring me two bunches of bables for Christmas. Make one baby a big, big baby. And Santa, please bring me two bunches of buggies. I live in the same place as Chad.
Love,
Shay Selvidge, Age 2 1/2

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me anything you think a four year old girl would like.
Kelli Hardin

Dear Santa Claus
I would like to have a hula hoop and a Skipsy Doodle. I will be at Granny and Grandad McDonald's house on Christmas Eve, so please come to see me there.
Sharon Jackson

Dear Santa Claus,
I want you to bring me two rifle guns and two guns with holsters. I will be at Granny and Grandad McDonald's house, so you can find me there.
Gregory Jackson

Dear Santa,
I have been very good. I'm a little girl 4 1/2 years old. I would like a Slinky Baby Tippi Toes, robe, pajamas, house shoes with pom poms, talking Barbie Doll and a little bit of Barbie clothes 'cause I already have a whole lot.

Be sure and remember Mommie and Daddy and all the good children. Santa, I'll leave you some popcorn, cake and a glass of milk on the kitchen table.
Love,
Karen Lea Kotara



A Christmas Prayer

May the beautiful meaning of Christmas ... living through the ages to inspire men everywhere... continue to live in your own heart and mind. And may your Christmas be filled with joy.

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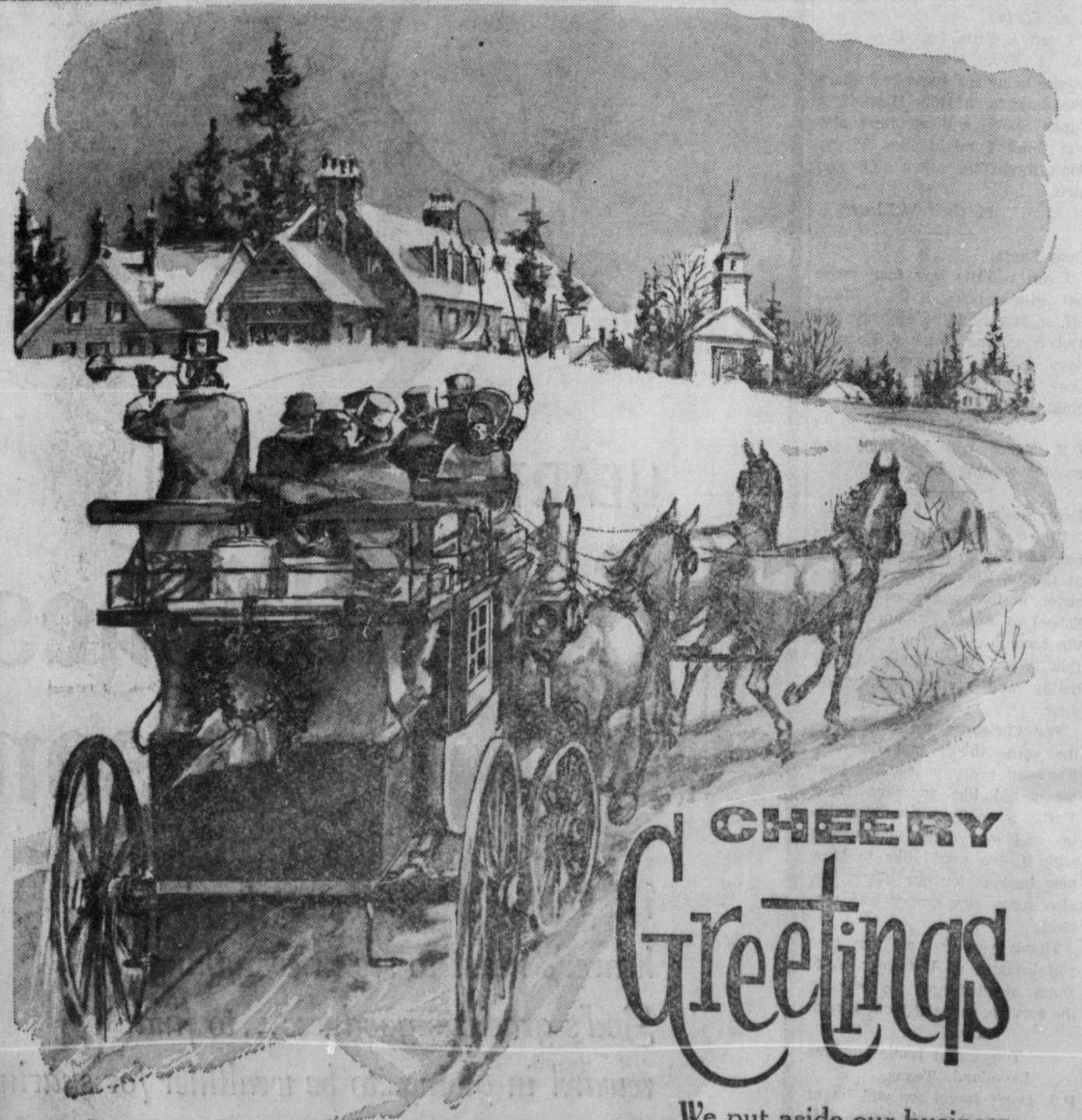


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Letters To Santa

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like you to bring me a Tippy Toes and Kettle, a organ, a Barbie that talks, a bill-fold, a Barbee House and that is all I want. Please bring all the girls and boys a good Christmas.
Love,
Sharon Ann Owens

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Hot Wheels race car set, and a vest and pair of chaps.
Love,
Mark Allen Morris

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Best of the West and a new pair of chaps.
Love,
Rex Morris

Dear Santa Claus
I want some building blocks and a big Teddy Bear.
Love,
Craig Morris

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good boy. For Christmas I would like to have a Major Matt Mason, Hot Wheels Track, and a construction set. I am in the first grade. Mrs. Brandon is my teacher.
Love,
Mark Tyler

Dear Santa Claus,
Please give me a sled and a pair of dress shoes. Also I would like a "Hands Down" game. For my baby brother, I want a little play telephone.
Yours Truly,
Dean Hawkins

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Easy Baker and an electric stove and a doll and a dish washer and some dishes and my little sister wants a doll, and some dash and by my little brother wants a dump truck and a tricycle. I am one of you, friends and I am in the first grade and 6 years old.
Yours Truly,
Shelia Yarorough

Dear Santa,
For Christmas this year I would like to get many things but mostly I want a roost, bow and arrow, football and helmet, a gun set and a surprise or two. My little brother would like to have the same things that I want.

Thank you so much for all the nice things I got last year. Don't forget to bring all the other boys and girls some toys. There will be milk and cookies on the table for you.
I Love You, Santa,
Jay Lindley

Dear Santa Claus,
Allen would like a snow cone maker, a pellet gun, a Spirograph, a Major Matt Mason, a Speedline. There will be milk and cookies for you.
We Love You,
Allen Turpen

Dear Santa,
I hope you can bring me what I want. There is just four things I want. It is a new coat with hood, for this winter, a couple pairs of Levis for school, and some goggles for hauling cotton and some Wallie-Talkies just to piddle around with.

I am 9 years old, in the 3rd grade at Clarendon, Texas.
I hope you have a very nice Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Your Pal,
John Hall

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Barbie Doll, play dishes, baton, go-go boots, a sack full of candy, oranges, apples and nuts.
Love,
Pat Ford, Age 6

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a walking doll, some dishes, a little stove and ice box and lots of goodies. Don't forget all the other little boys and girls.
I Love You
Christie Thomas
P.S. Thank you for the toys I got last year.

Dear Santa,
I would like very much to have a bicycle, a race track for boy and a lot of other things but I can't name them all right now.
Goodbye
Charlie Calloway

Dear Santa,
My name is Ramona Irlbeck, and I am 6 years old. Will you please bring me a little electric sewing machine or a little record player. I want any kind of doll. Also, a KuBoom game, and maybe a gun set so I can play cowboys with my brother.
With Love,
Ramona Irlbeck

Dear Santa,
I am a girl 9 years old and in the 4th grade. I go to school at Adrian. I would like for you to bring me a World-Globe. An over night case, some games, some clothes for my Tammy Doll. Don't forget my brother, Jan, and mother and dad and all the other boys and girls. I will be in Clarendon at my grandmother Roberson's house for Christmas so don't forget her and Aunt Minnie.
Tojana Sullivan
Adrian, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a boy 7 years old and in the second grade. And go to school at Adrian. I would like some games, a Zeroid, and anything else you would like to bring me. I would like to have some fruit, nuts and candy. I will be in Clarendon at grandmother Roberson's house. Don't forget the other boys and girls. My mother and dad and granme and Aunt Minnie,
Jon Roy Sullivan
Adrian, Texas

Dear Santa,
I would like a Twist and Turn game; some needles for my record player; a Little Kaddie; and a base set. Anything else you want to bring me, I'll like.
Love,
Jenny Deyhle
P.S. Please have some cake and milk at our house.

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 8 years old. I am in the second grade. I would like you to bring me a Stingray bicycle, a pro football helmet, and please bring me some clothes. Don't forget all the other children.
Yours Truly,
Keith Floyd



At Christmas...
We pray that the miracle of His birth in a humble manger will once more spread its wonders, its promise across the land, bringing peace on earth, good will to men. In the joyous spirit of the holiday we offer our thanks to our customers for your many kindnesses. We greatly value and enjoy the privilege of serving you. Merry Christmas.

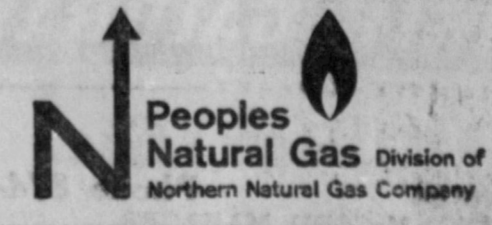
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Greetings

To you and your family, our wish is for all the merriment and excitement of this festive season...all the joy and warmth of a Yuletide celebration. And may we thank you for your much appreciated patronage.



Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 5 years old. I have tried to be a good girl for mother and daddy. This year

I would like a baton, a "Hands Down Game," a View-Master that doesn't have a light and some reels for it, and also a surprise doll. Please remember all the other girls and boys. I will have my stocking hung so you

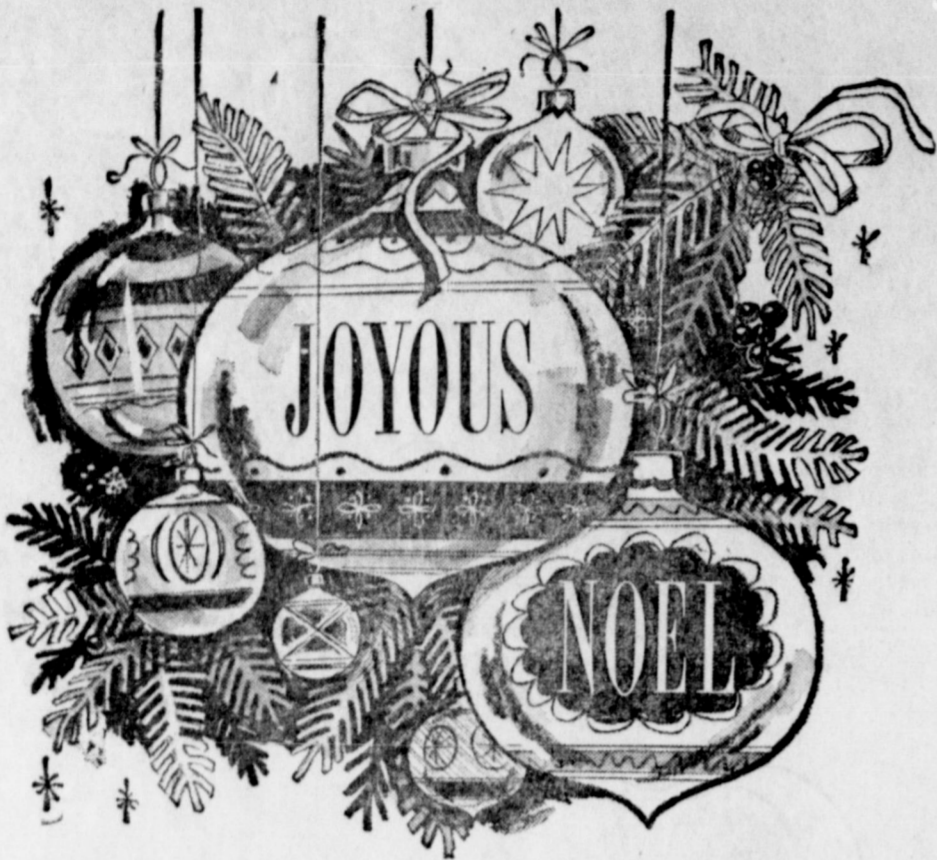
can leave me some fruit and nuts.
I Love You Santa,
Shellie Hill
P. S. Santa please tell my daddy that mother will be happy with anything.

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 5 years old and have been a good girl. If you have an extra bicycle then I want it. If you don't I want a twist-and-turn Barbie Doll or a Spirograph. Merry Christmas to you and all the little children in the world. I wish everybody would sing Happy Birthday to Jesus on Christmas morning.

Love,
Billy Jo Luttrell

Dear Santa,
I want a target for Christmas and a gun. I have been a good boy. My name is Willie Weather-ton. I am 8 years old and I am in the 2nd grade. I have a brother, his name is Bobby Weather-ton. And he would like to have a target for Christmas and a gun too. He is 5 years old and he have been a good brother.

Yours Truly,
Willie James Weather-ton



Wishing you a merry Christmas!

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Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old and have been a pretty good girl. I am hoping for a bicycle for Christmas but if you can't give me one, I would like a Spirograph, or a Twist-and-Turn Barbie Doll. I also wish for everyone to have a Merry Christmas.

Love,
Melissa Ann Luttrell

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Barbara Jean Smith. I have been a good girl this year. For Christmas I would like to have a easy bake oven and some clothes. My little sister Jeraldine would like to have a easy bake oven, a doll, and some dishes. I want to wish all the boys and girls a Merry Christmas.

Barbara Jean Smith

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Jeep with a boat trailer and horse trailer, a helicopter and a new gun. Please bring Gi Gi a new doll.

Love,
Hud

Dear Santa,
We are looking forward to your visit this year. We have tried to be good children. Lisa hopes you will leave Baby Small Talk, a buggy, and a Snow White Watch for her.

Jamie is hoping for Baby Carrie, a stroller, and a nice surprise. Rodney thinks he's old enough now for a BB gun so daddy can help him hunt. He'd also like some new trucks and miniature animals to play with.

Love,
Lisa (7), Jamie (6)
and Rodney (4) McAnear

Dear Santa,
My name is Brion Foster. I am 4 years old. I have tried to be a good boy all year. I would like a trike, and some soldiers and trucks. Your cookies and milk will be on the table. I love you.

Brion Foster

Dear Santa,
I want a talking Barbie doll and giggles. I have been a good girl. Baby Secret and operation and pop the top. Walking doll. Thank you, thats all Jullie

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a pair of skates and a wagon. Also please help end the war too. And help keep my family well, please.

Love,
Doug Foster

Dear Santa,
My name is Scott Lewis. I am 6 years old. I have been very good this year. I would like to have a tent, a football suit, a rifle and some games.

Thank You,
Scott Lewis

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a basketball for Christmas. A bizzzy-buzz-buzz and a jump and float and Barrel of Monkeys and snacks alive! some legos would be nice, and Raggedy Ann and Andy. Thank you for the toys that you get me last year. I am eight years old.

From,
Anita Carol Glass

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy 8 years old. Thank you Santa for all the nice gifts you brought me last year. This year I would like a record player and some Beatle records. Also, a Noble Knights set by Marxs. Please bring Droopy dog some candy. Brink Hank and Henry Cat a ball.

Merry Christmas
William Wade Porter

Dear Santa Claus,
I am Teresa Hill. I am 7 years old. Now I'll tell you what I want for Christmas: I want some games and puzzles and I want some books. I want some yarn ties and I want some crayon books, I want some dresses. That is all. Do you like me, write me a letter.

Love,
Teresa Hill

Dear Santa,
I've been a pretty good little boy this year so please bring me a big tractor that I can ride on—not one with pedals but one I can push—and a choo-choo train. I'll have my stocking hung so please bring something for it. Thank you, Santa.

Love,
Lynn Alderson

Dear Santa Claus,
Please, I want Newborn Thumbelina, a pretty bicycle and a watch of my very own. My mommie and daddy say I've tried to be a good girl this year. Please bring some goodies for my stocking, too. Thank you for the things you brought me last year.

I Love You,
Karen Alderson

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Cletus Iribeck, and I am almost 4 years old. Will you please bring me a 16" bicycle or a little race car set. Also, a gun set like my sisters, and a building brick set.

With Love,
Cletus Iribeck

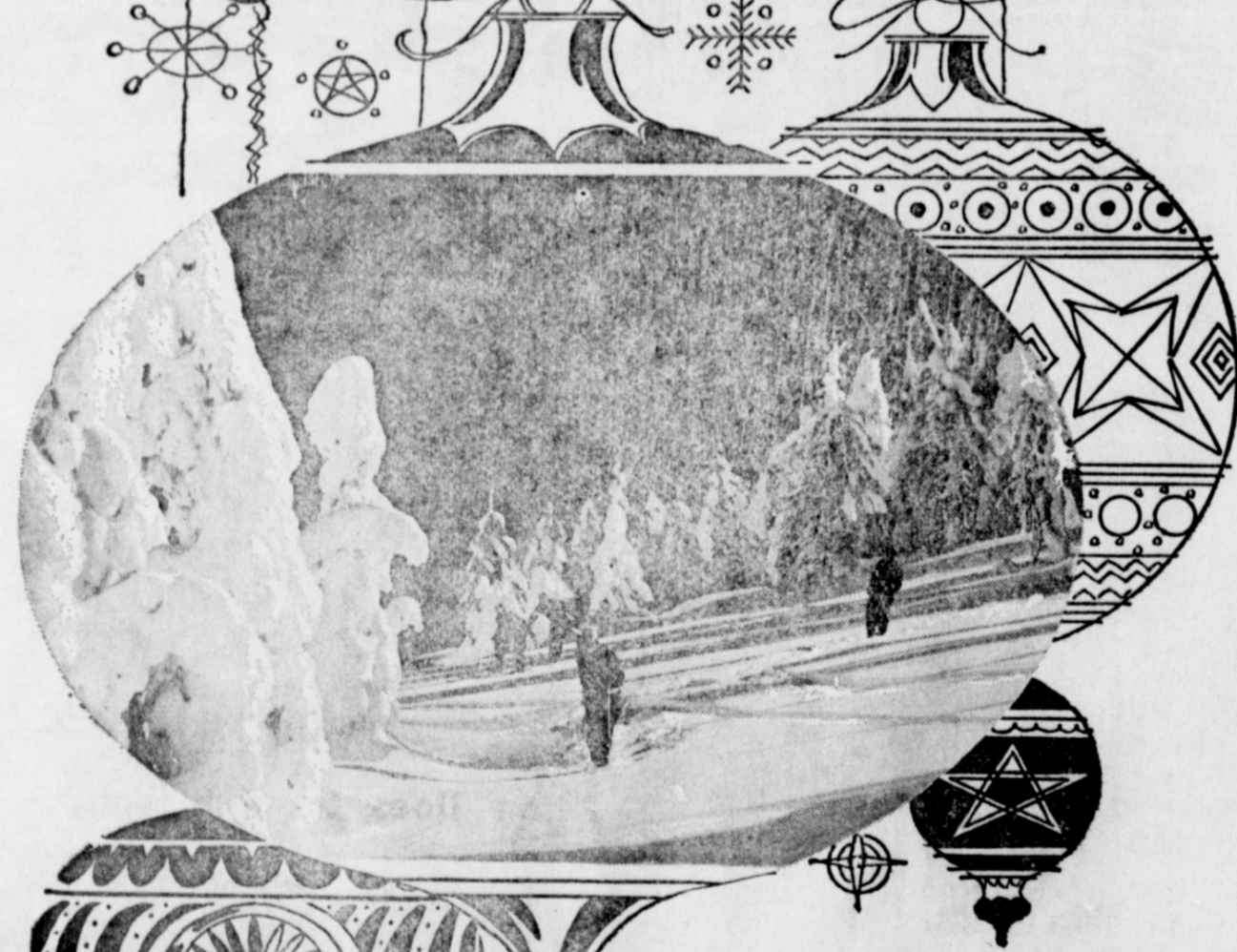


I wish you the joys of Christmas

In the fine and happy tradition of the holiday season we wish to extend our greetings to our customers, old and new. May you enjoy the festivities and delights of this special time as your families gather in joyous celebration. Thank you for your loyal trust and support. Your warm friendship makes us feel very proud. Merry Christmas.

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Merry Christmas to All



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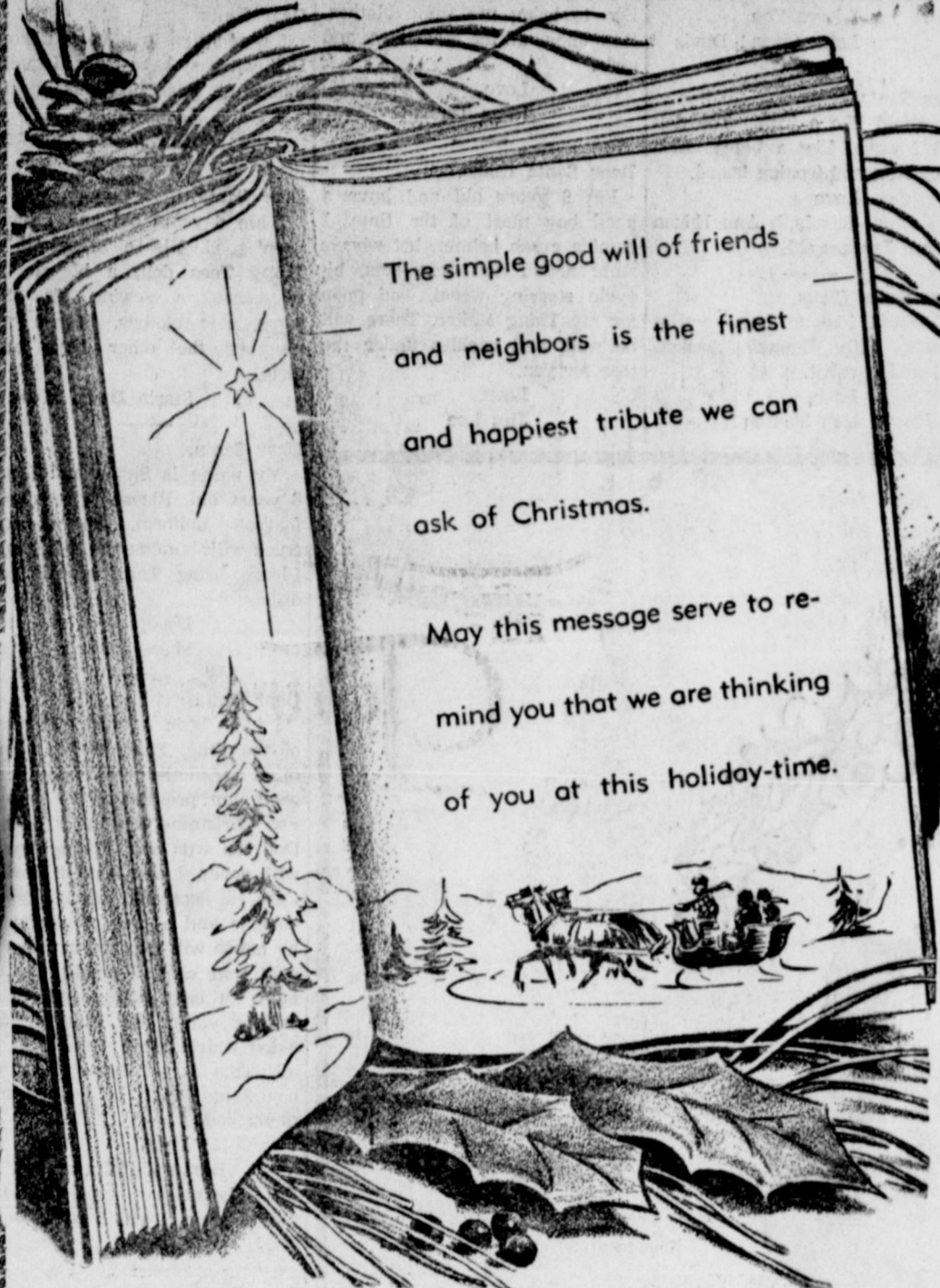


the Spirit of Christmas

May the light of love and understanding that bathed the world on the eve of His Birth shine upon you and kindle your heart with everlasting joy. Let us rejoice as we cherish the blessings of this holy season.

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Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl five years old who has been good most of the time. I would like a Tippy Toes doll, some Odd Kins, an Easy Bake oven and a Little Kiddie. I will leave some cookies and milk in case you are hungry. Drive carefully and have a good trip.

Love,
Anna Harrison

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy six years old. I would like to have a Mighty Loader and a Waikie-Talkie set. Please bring me anything else that you think I would like. Don't forget the other girls and boys.

Love,
Mark White

Dear Santa,
I am 3 years old and have tried to be good. Please bring me a doll and buggie for Christmas. Don't forget my brother and all the other boys and girls.

Love,
Cara Cornell
P.S. My brother needs two front teeth.

Dear Santa,
I want an electric football game and gun for Christmas.

Love,
Bill Gardner

Dear Santa Claus,
This year I am two years old, so Christmas will be more fun to me. As usual I have tried very hard to be a good little boy. Maybe you think I have been good. Please bring me a Step N' Slide, a pair of boots, and a Western jacket. Don't forget the rest of the good boys and girls.

Love,
Scott Bobbitt

Dear Santa,
I am 4 years old and my little brother is one. We think we've been pretty good so I would like a swing machine, a wig and whatever else you want to bring me. My little brother wants a tractor and a horse and I guess that's all. Thank you and we love you.

Love,
Angela and Shane Kunnert

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a bride doll. Also some clothes. I am nine years old. I live on West 4th Street in Clarendon, Texas. Don't forget the other children. I also have a little sister. She has been pretty good.

Yours Truly,
Roberta Barker

Dear Santa,
I am 3 years old and have been a good little girl. I would like for you to bring me a doll, a musical color TV and a built in kitchen unit, also some nuts and fruits. Please remember the other little boys and girls.

Thank You,
Tonja Whisenant
Amarillo, Texas

Dear Santa,
My name is Terry Cole. This year for Christmas I would like for you to bring me a new truck or a remote control toy and just anything I would enjoy playing with. My brother Tim and I would like for you to bring us a record player also. Please don't forget Tim's toys and by new ones. Thank you very much for last year's toys.

Love You Very Much
Terry

Dear Santa,
I really do love you even if you did scare me in Amarillo the other day. Please remember me Christmas Eve with tricycle and a doll. There will be cookies and milk for you by the fireplace. Remember all my friends in Clarendon. Be real careful and don't catch the Hong Kong flu.

Love,
Amy Hancock

Dear Santa,
I want a Walkie-Talkie and a Novel Night Marvil Mustang, a gun and a pair of shoes, toy typewriter, record player, army men with tort and guns, and a toy airplane that you can pedal. A toy car that peeps, neocopter and peeps.

Love,
Thom Joe Hall
5 Years Old

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl this year. Please bring a Raggedy Ann doll for Christmas.

Love,
Pamela Poole

Dear Santa,
I am 3 years old. I want a dollie. Also a diaper-bag-set and a set of dishes. I live on west 4th Street in Clarendon. I love you. My sister's been good too.

Yours Truly,
Melinda Barker

P. S. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Dear Santa,
I am a boy 10 years old and my birthday is April the 8 and so is my brothers. I would like a drum set or a pool table, or a truck set with many cars, clothes or a BB gun for Christmas. Hope you have good weather on your trip.

Love,
Dale Jackson
Snyder, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Tippee-Toes doll, some Silly Sand, a pretty night light for my bedroom and a few new things to wear. If you should decide to bring anything else, it will be fine.

Love,
Julie Burns

Santa, I have been a very good girl and I try very hard to be nice to everyone.

Love You,
Julie Burns

P.S. Please remember the other children. I know they have been good too.

Dear Santa,
I have been good. Thank you for what you brought me last year. I want a Billy Blast-Off and a football suit and a scooter.

Love,
Bryan Hill

P.S. Millie and I will leave cookies and milk by the tree.

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good for a long time. I want a Tippy Toes doll, a wig, and a baton. Please don't forget Kristen and Douglas. They want tricycles. Thank you. We will leave you some cookies.

Love,
Sherilyn Walker

Dear Santa,
Baking set, portable color TV, music plays, picture movies, convertible, trainers costume for boys, easy show projector, blender and mixer.

Love,
Dena Harris



Merry Christmas
TO EVERYONE

...May the bells ring out glad tidings.

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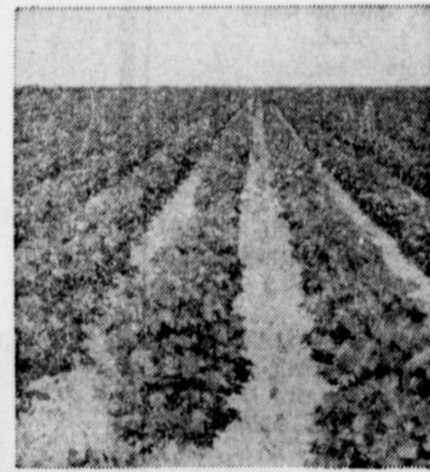
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Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
I want a Twister and a new pair of boots. Please send a plane and a power digger. That is all I want, but please send me a tent. Don't forget my sister.

Your Friend,
James Olen Watts

Dear Santa,
My name is Stacy Mooring. I am in the first grade. I am 6 years old. I love my teacher. I want a Baby Party, Baby Hungry and new dresses and for my brother, Joe Kent, a shaving kit, baseball, and helmet. He is 4 years old.

Merry Christmas,
Stacy Jane Mooring

Dear Santa Claus,
I am seven years old. I want a car, truck and bus also some new clothes, socks and shoes. My little brother is five years old. Bring him some new clothes and toys too. He wants a car, truck and bus, also some new clothes, socks and shoes!

Love,
Richard Taylor

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am in the second grade. I would like to have a Baby Party Doll, some Barbie clothes and a 3 way Kiddie Lounge for Christmas. Please bring Wayne, Dwight and Frosty some presents, too. I have tried to be a good girl this year.

Love,
Cynthia Harden

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a grader. I am a very good boy. I do what my father and mother tell me to do.

Yours Truly
Robert Jaramillo

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope that I have been good enough for a watch, a Sorry game and a Monopoly game.

Love,
Natalie Elmore

Dear Santa Claus,
I want make-up set, a set of guns and a doll. I love you Santa.

Gena Sue Britten

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I love you. I want a Tippy Toes Doll. I want a sewing machine too. I love you and you're wife and reindeers.

Melony Stepp

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a pretty good girl most of the time. I would like for you to bring me a Tippy Toes Doll, some games and nuts and candy.

Thank You,
Tammy Hoggard

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy, and I want a Billy Blastoff set and I want hot wheels set.

Wayne Phillips

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a race car set, and a Billie Blast Off, anything else you think I would like to have.

Your Friend,
Lyn McKinney

P.S. I have been a pretty good boy all year.

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the second grade now and I would like to have a bicycle and two Walkie Talkies for Christmas.

Thank You,
Larry Davis

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 3 years old. For Christmas I would like for you to bring me a set of guns some toy cars and clothes. I have a little brother 1 year old, he would like a Teddy Bear, some pull toys and clothes. We would also like some nuts, candy, apples and oranges. Please don't forget the other boys and girls.

Thank You,
Ronald Burleson

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the toys you brought me last year. I have played with them so much they are pretty worn out. The back axle on my cement truck is bent and the mixer part is off, so I would like a new one. I need a new tractor and a truck with mud flaps. I will like anything you want to bring me. I love you and thank you.

Randy Fedric

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a tent, and a football suit and new football, and a Hot Wheel set and some clothes. And my little brother wants the same thing. Kelly is his name.

Kyle Hill

Dear Happy Santa,
Please bring me a Mrs. Beasley doll, some nuts, candy and some clothes. I'll leave you some hot soup to eat. I am three years old.

Kelli Tipton

Dear Santa,
I want a talking Barbie doll. Bring me any kind of game, some nuts, and candy. I'll leave you some milk and cookies. I am five years old. I love you.

Pam Tipton

Dear Santa,
I am three years old and have been a nice boy, so will you please bring me a Pokey and Gumby, a pair of house shoes, a barrel of monkeys and Krazy Kar. I'll leave you a Coke on the table. I love you Santa Claus.

Shannon Longan

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Tony. I am 7 years old and would like to have a watch, games, and Sunday clothes. I also want some guns. I have been a real good boy.

Love,
Tony Schaffer

Dear Santa,
I want some golf clubs. Do you have some?

Your Friend,
Ed Bromley

Dear Santa Claus,
I want some play money and dress clothes and socks and ski pajamas, candy and nuts. I'll leave you a Coke by the Christmas tree. Thank you for anything you bring me. I am 6 years old and live on a farm.

Love,
Jerry Schaffer

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a B. B. gun for Christmas, some new P.J.'s, Johnny Eagle and a new sweater. I am 10 years old.

Love,
Donnie Schaffer

Dear Santa,
I would like Baby Small Talk, a buggy, Snow White watch and Easy Curl. Also an infant seat.

Liz Gattis

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Dallas Cowboy football suit, a football and anything else you think I will like. Please remember my brothers, Tommy and Don. We have tried to be good boys. We will leave cookies and milk out for you.

Love,
Jon David

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Shelia Deann Schull. I am 2 years old. I have been a good girl. I would like to have a wagon, doll, all kinds of toys. Also bring me some candy. Bring my mama and daddy something. I live in Memphis. Remember my friends in Clarendon and Hedley.

Love You,
Shelia Deann

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a Hot wheels, Billy Blastoff, basketball and a robot.

Love,
Ken Shelton

Hi Santa,
My name is Lana, and I am four years old. Would you please bring me a baby doll and buggy and some make-up to put on my face. Please remember the other little boys and girls. Thank You.

I Love You,
Lana Cheryl Davis

Dear Santa,
I would like a Tippy Toe doll and I would like a baton. Also a toy iron and ironing board.

Love
Elizabeth Ann Honea
I am 7 years old.

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a Hot wheels, Billy Blastoff, basketball and a robot.

Love,
Ken Shelton

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl 8 years old. I am in the second grade. I have been a good little girl. I would like for you to bring me a Tippy Toes doll, a talking Barbie, a puppet, and Kiddle Kola. I would like to bring me some clothes. Remember all the other boys and girls.

Love,
Ricci Tunnell

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm 9 years old and have a good boy most of the time. I want a crash helmet, hot wheels stunt action and drag sets, bicycle steering wheel, and goop for my Thing Maker. There will be milk and cookies under the tree for you.

Love,
Jim Lee

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a Hot wheels, Billy Blastoff, basketball and a robot.

Love,
Ken Shelton

Dear Santa,
I want a GI Joe play gun, operation airplane, shoes and clothes.

Thanks
Terry Putman

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a Barbie Doll, an easy-bake oven. I guess that is all this Christmas.

Goodbye
Ruby Gene Calloway

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old and I have been good. Please bring me a Tippy Toes doll, a bicycle, a playhouse, a sewing kit and some new clothes. Please remember the other boys and girls.

Starla Dawn Mann

Dear Santa,
My name is Shane and I am 6 years old. Please bring me a football uniform, an electric truck with buttons and a football. Please bring Tami a doll and dishes.

Love,
Shane

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl most of the time. Sometimes I don't mind my mother and daddy very good, but promise to do better. For Christmas, I want a Barbie Doll, an iron and ironing board with cover. I also want a Barbie Case, a necklace, baton, kiddie cologne and a pair of gloves so by hands will stay warm when it gets real cold. I would like to have an easy bake oven, or a beauty vanity but haven't decided which one I want most of all. That is all I can think of now Santa Claus, so bye-bye and thank you.

Love,
Barbara Holman

P.S. My mother wrote this for me because I can't write very good.

Dear Santa,
I am in the second grade and try to be good. I would like a bruiser Jr. a big pay loader, an auto transport truck, a Smokey Bear, a spirograph and a Dune Buggy. I would also like some fruit, nuts and candy. Be sure and remember my brothers and sister and all my friends.

I Love You,
David Tolleson

P.S. If you have some tinker toys and some crayolas I would like them to.

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a Walkie Talkie, an archery set, Tog'l set, Hot Wheels stunt action set, a tipit game, a twist-er game, a Bobby Trap game, a dart board and anything else you think I would like.

Love,
Greg Tolleson

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a real nice boy, my name is Ramon Jaramillo and I have a sister, her name is Christina Jaramillo and I don't fight with her. I am 4 years old my sister is 1 1/2 years old and I would like for you to bring me a mighty loader and my sister wants a doll.

Yours Truly,
Ramon Jaramillo

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Barbie Doll set, baton, a pair of go-go boots, an oven, and a sack full of nuts, apples and oranges and candy.

Love,
Terri Ford, Age 7

Dear Santa,
I want a purse, a piano, a Jack-in-the-box and three puppets and two Barbie Dolls and a TV.

Rebecca Moss

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Teresa Jaramillo. I am a good little girl, and I do what my mother tells me to do. I want a doll and a Tippy Toes doll. I love Santa Claus. I love him so much. You are a good Santa Claus. My mother brought me a little Santa Claus. I want a Teddie Bear.

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 4 years old and have been a pretty good boy. I would like a rifle pop gun, some Tog'l toys, guitar, tires to fix Jim's old bicycle, Tootsie Toy service station and candy, fruit and nuts. There will be some cookies and milk under the tree for you.

I Love You,
Tracy Lee



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Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 8 years old.

baby buggy, electric hair curlers and fruit and candy. Remember all of the other boys and girls. Thank you.

Love,
Kim White

Merry Christmas
And A Happy, Prosperous
New Year

To Clarendon and
Donley County Friends

May each of you enjoy good health and a
wealth of happiness in days to come

Mr. and Mrs. B. R.
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Dear Santa,
My name is Kathy. I am eight years old. For Christmas I would like a talking Barbie Doll. A Tippy Toes Doll, a Coke machine, a fun flower machine and anything else you would like to bring me. Remember the other boys and girls.

Love,
Kathy Kidd

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a record player and a train and a fighting robots and a car maker and some Noble nights and cat food.

From,
Don Hall

Dear Santa Claus,
I want some dishes and a Suzy home maker and a cradle and a baby boy and a buggy. I believe in you too Santa, some do not believe in you.

Debra Compton

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a Spirograph and a Swinger and the Fort Apache, incredible Kidem Honda.

Johnny Jaramillo

Dear Santa,
I would like to have an easy bake oven, a Barbie doll, a bicycle and I guess that is all for this Christmas. I hope I can get all things I said on the letter.

Goodbye,
Ann Calloway

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a knife, a guitar, a bicycle, a Mustang holster set and a sport 'n stock car set. My name is Michael.

Michael Ritchie

Dear Santa,
I want a Toc'l for Christmas, a gun. I have been a good boy. My name is Howard Weatherton. I am 9 years old and I am in the 3 grade.

Yours Truly,
Howard Weatherton

Dear Santa,
I want a Lone Ranger set of guns and Fort Cheyenne. I would like some toys for my little brother Arlis, too. We have been pretty good boys this year.

Your Friend
Irven Thomas

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a bulletin board to hang my things on. Please bring me a chalkboard and a Canner's Easy Bake. Oh, yes, I want a baby crawl-away and some new Barbie doll clothes. A Barbie doll without hair and a wig would be nice. I need a new dog leash.

Denise Ann Stepp

Dear Santa,
I have been a good little girl. I want bike, easy make, talking Barbie, curl free set.

Yours Truly,
Rena Gardner

Dear Santa,
I've been a pretty fair boy this year, but it's been pretty hard. Would you please bring me a plastic goop, a match box cars, and a bike, and one truck.

Please leave me a banana, an orange, an apple and some M&M's and a candy cane in my stocking. I'll leave you a glass of chocolate milk.

I Like You,
Jeff Tyra

Dear Santa,
I have been a good little girl and I want a doll and a set of dishes. I want a bicycle.

Yours Truly,
Francine Gardner

Dear Santa,
I have been a good little girl. I want a Tippy doll and a set of dishes, and a easy bake and a bicycle.

Yours Truly
Mechal Gardner

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a set of dishes, doll, book, and some jewelry. I would like some candy, fruit and nuts in my stocking.

Love You,
Gwen Edgett

Dear Santa,
I would like a BB gun. I would like a table-top Aurora Ho raceway. I would like a Thrifty recorder.

Your Friend,
Dan Hall

WARMEST WISHES
May your holiday be blessed with the sounds of joy, laughter.
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Dear Santa,
I am a boy who is 10 years old. I have been very good this year. I will leave you some

cake and milk when you come by my house on Christmas. I would like some dump trucks, cars, clothes and guns. Be sure

and remember all the other boys and girls.
Gale Jackson,
Smyer, Texas



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

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Cedars Of Lebanon Well Protected By Religion, Law

On a shelf-like plateau, 600 feet above the Mediterranean, the world's oldest Christmas trees stand where they have stood for centuries. The cedars of Lebanon, 400 of them, are protected by religion and law from harm at the hands of either the Moslems or the Maronite Christians.

The magnificent trees "that sing of the nativity" were venerated as monarchs among trees long before Judah had her first king. Some of them have a girth of 40 feet and a branch circumference of 300.

In the days of the conquerors thousands of conscripted Hebrew workers were sent into the Lebanon to take the Jerusalem "cedar trees without number"; the result of one of the first building contracts, between Hiram and Phoenicia and King Solomon.

Today, however, the trees are protected by law and the depart-

ment of agriculture of the government sponsors the planting of seedlings, so that the giant cedars will grow forever.

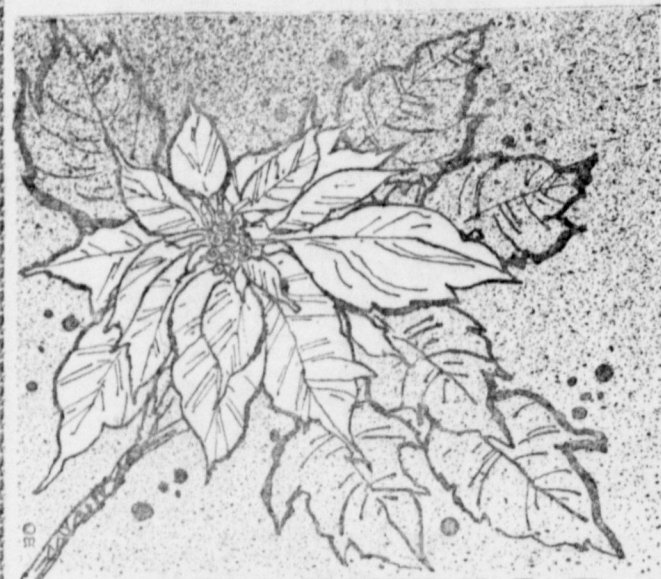
To Spread Learning

The coming of Christianity brought a continuing concern with religious subjects as the text for illuminated manuscripts. Monasteries of Egypt and Syria were early dedicated to the creation of art, the development of crafts, the spread of learning.

In the Western world, these aims gained impetus with the founding of the Benedictine monasteries in the sixth century A.D. Artists and craftsmen worked devotedly to preserve sacred texts through their hand-copied, hand-illustrated, elaborately-bound vellum manuscripts.

From time to time, secular texts — scientific treatises, for example — were also copied and illustrated.

The history of every nation is eventually written in the way in which it cares for its soil. —Franklin D. Roosevelt

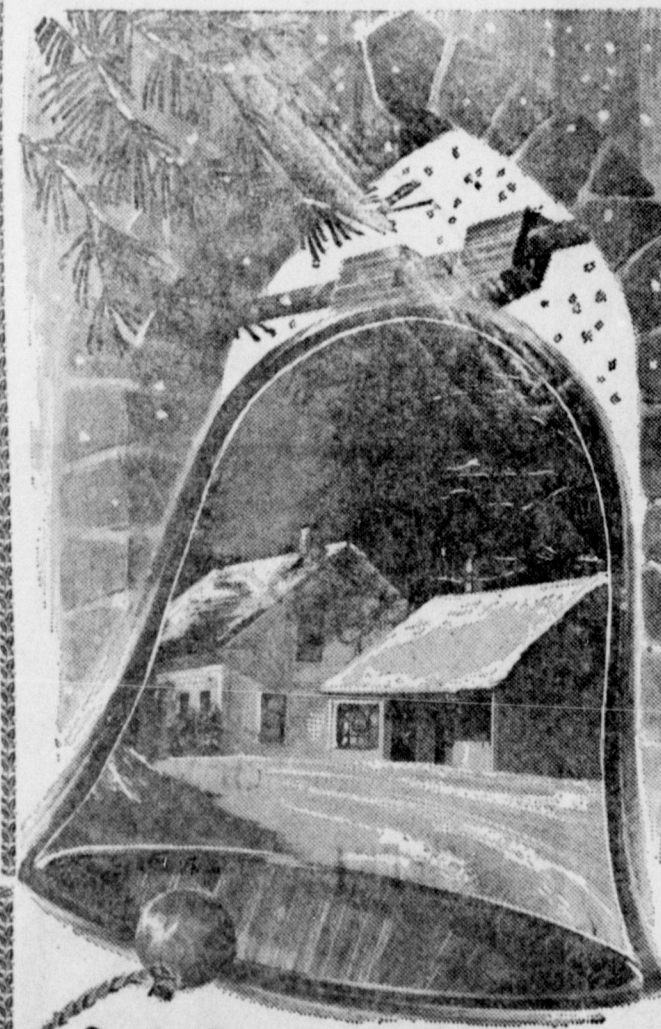


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When Is Began Casualty And Theft Losses Are Tax Deductible

In the early Christian era, illuminated manuscripts were generally the products of monasteries and cathedral schools.

The first examples of illumination appeared, however, centuries before the birth of Christ. The Egyptian "Books of the Dead," manuscripts intended for tomb burial to serve as guides for the deceased in the afterworld, offer examples of gold-leaf vignettes dating back to 1350 B.C.

These "books," written on papyrus scrolls, envisioned afterlife as a continuation of life on earth. People and animals were pictured, along with decorative lettering showing swirls of gold and sometimes silver.

How It Grew

Just as the celebration of Christmas gathered together many customs and rituals of earlier holidays, so too the monastery artists drew upon techniques evolved by pre-Christian craftsmen.

Influence of classic Greek and Roman style is evident in the early illuminated manuscripts of the Christian era. This gradually gave way to the decorative, abstract Byzantine style.

With the approach of the Renaissance, more natural, realistic techniques came into use, illumination as in other forms of art.

Agriculture is the most healthful, the most useful, and the most honorable employment of man. —George Washington

Casualty And Theft Losses Are Tax Deductible

Taxpayers who suffered losses from theft or casualties, such as hurricane, flood, storm, fire, automobile accident, shipwreck, lightning, airplane crash and freezing, may be able to claim their losses as an income tax deduction, reports James Mallet, Extension farm management specialist at Texas A&M University.

The amount of the tax deduction is the loss in property value, but is limited to its cost or basis, and must be reduced by the amount of insurance or other compensation received or expected to be received, he says.

Proof of loss should be documented soon after the casualty occurs, says Mallet. You should be prepared to show:

- 1.—Values before and after casualty (pictures, appraisals, and signed statements by persons familiar with the circumstances, before and after are pertinent evidence);
- 2.—Nature of the casualty and when it occurred;
- 3.—The loss was the direct result of the casualty;
- 4.—The cost or other adjusted basis of the property, evidenced by purchase contracts, deed, etc. (improvements to the property should be supported by checks, receipts, etc.);
- 5.—Depreciation allowed or allowable, if any;
- 6.—The amount of insurance or other compensation received; and

7.—You were the owner of the property.

Business or farm property damaged or lost is deductible as a business loss. Each item of real or tangible property damaged by casualty or lost by theft is considered separately in determining the deductible business loss. No deduction is allowed for the loss of crops, livestock or products raised for sale. Costs of producing these items and the cost of livestock, crops or produce purchased for resale are ordinary business expenses and therefore deductible.

You may not deduct the first \$100 loss to property held for personal use. Improvements to personal real property such as your residence, trees, shrubs and ornamentals are considered as an integral part of the property. A single loss is calculated by comparing the fair market value of the property as a whole before the casualty with its fair market value following the casualty, even if several items of personal real property are damaged. Damage to tangible personal property like autos, clothes, furniture and household equipment is evaluated separately from personal real property, explains the specialist.

Deductible casualty losses do not include, (1) expenses incident to a casualty such as temporary housing, travel, or moving expense, (2) expense incurred by reason of injury to yourself or others, (3) loss through misplacement of cash or other property, and (4) damages by rust or erosion.

Costs of cleanup, repair, replacement and restoration are not deductible. However, these costs may be used to measure the amount of damage suffered if (1) they are necessary to re-

store the property to its pre-casualty condition, (2) the amount spent is not excessive, (3) they do not more than take care of the damage suffered, and (4) the value of the property after repair is no more than its value before the casualty. You are not required to repair or replace the property to qualify for the tax deduction.

Get the proof and supporting evidence of your loss, says Mallet; your tax practitioner, accountant, attorney or the Internal Revenue Service can assist you in claiming the deduction when you file your tax report.

of Jesus. One such story says that on the night of the Nativity, all the woodland trees burst into bloom and bore fruit.

Decorating Trees

The gaily decorated tree so much a part of Christmas has its counterpart in trees adorned with colorful trinkets during the ancient feasts of the winter equinox.

This pagan custom of decorating evergreens became associated with Christmas observances, and legends link it to the birth

We know from long experience that conservation measures such as contour strip cropping, terracing, cover crops do markedly reduce sediment loads. We know these same principles of land use can be adapted to urban fringe lands as well. —Secretary of Agriculture Orville L. Freeman.

GREETINGS

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Merry Christmas

Christmas is in the air everywhere! Family and friends join to rejoice, trees are being trimmed, carols are sung, gifts exchanged, bells ring out a merry tune and hearts are filled with peaceful happiness. These are the very special joys of the season. May each and every one be yours. And we add our grateful thanks as we wish you a Merry Christmas.

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How Grasses React To Grazing

By TOMMY POWELL
Soil Conservation Service

When a grass seed is planted, there is enough food stored in the seed to sprout the seed and start green plant growth. From this point on, the plant must produce its own food to survive and reproduce.

Plant food is manufactured in the green leaves. It is not drawn directly from the soil as many people suppose. Roots draw water and minerals from the soil and these raw materials are transplanted to the leaves. The leaves take in carbon, hydrogen, and oxygen from the air and combine them with the elements drawn from the soil. Then by using energy from the sun, the leaf cells manufacture food for

plant growth. Green leaves are the plants' food factory and without adequate top-growth a grass plant cannot continually produce forage or seed.

Perennial grasses store food in their roots in late summer and fall. About 75 per cent of the stored food is used to start new growth the following spring. If the grass is continually grazed so close that very little food is stored, the plant will not produce much forage the following year.

When most of the leaves are grazed off, a grass plant becomes a food user instead of a food factory. It must then rely upon food reserves in the roots to produce new topgrowth. This causes a delay in forage production that can cover a period of several weeks or months. If the plant is repeatedly forced to draw upon root reserves to produce new leaves, the reserve

food supply becomes exhausted and the plant becomes stunted or dies.

Research shows that a grass plant must retain about 50 per cent of its leaf area in order to dependably manufacture enough food to supply its own needs. The Soil Conservation Service has popularized the slogan "take half and leave half" for this reason. This practice not only assures a rancher of future grass production but also protects the land from excessive erosion and increases moisture penetration into the soil.

Soil Conservation is as big as the width and breadth of our nation. It is of vital importance to the welfare of our people as a whole. For beneath all the complexities of a modern economy still lies our basic resource — THE LAND.

GOLDSTON NEWS

Mrs. Roy Roberson

Mrs. Gwan Wilkinson and Mrs. Steve Miller of Silverton visited Monday evening with Joy and Minnie Roberson.

Mrs. Georgia Vaughan and Mrs. Johnnie Bryson visited Wednesday evening with Joy and Minnie Roberson.

Mrs. Nora Helm of Borger and a friend of Fritch had dinner Thursday with Joy and Minnie Roberson.

Mrs. Roy Roberson and Minnie visited Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Talley.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Ray Littlefield and children had dinner Saturday with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Dwane Littlefield and family of Amarillo.

Jack West and son of Groom visited Friday evening and had coffee with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Littlefield.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Whitfield visited Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ledbetter.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ledbetter visited Friday night with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Smith of Pampa.

England Once Forbade Christmas Observance

Did you know that the observance of Christmas was once forbidden in England — the home of the Yule Log, the Carol-singer and the wassailers?

During the Reformation many believed the undue jollity of Christmas day was sacrilegious. Parliament, on Dec. 24, 1562, ordered that "no observance shall be held of the five and twentieth day of December, commonly called Christmas day; nor any solemnity used or exercised in churches upon that day in respect thereof."

This edict proved to be very unpopular with the masses of the people. It was not until many years later, however, that Christmas was once again regarded as a holiday.

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Joel Poinsett, U. S. Statesman, Noted For Flower

Although he was a brilliant statesman, and the friend of four American presidents, Joel Roberts Poinsett is famous chiefly because he introduced the Mexican plant known as the "Painted Leaf," or "Mexican Fire Plant" into the United States.

Poinsett, then U. S. Ambassador to Mexico, called the plant to the attention of American botanists and grew the plant himself as a hobby at his South California home, after he left Mexico.

The plant grew heavily in America favor — especially popular at Christmas time — and was renamed poinsettia, in honor of the man who brought it to this country.

Contrary to popular impression, the flaming red bracts of the poinsettia are not flowers, but leaves, and it is for these bracts that the plants are grown.

It is possible to have variations of either pink or white varieties, as well as of the more usual red, popular because it carries out the holiday color scheme of rich bright red with a contrast of the dark green of the leaves.

The poinsettia thrives in its native Mexico, but elsewhere must be handled carefully—perhaps pampered slightly. However, the brilliantly colored flowers it has at Christmas time is reward enough for any efforts needed to make the plant thrive.

Constant warmth is needed by poinsettias. Temperatures should be kept between 70 and 80 degrees during the day and no less than 65 degrees at night. Any sudden change in temperature and drafts will cause the plant to drop its leaves.

Abundant water is also a necessity, but it should be applied but once a day so that the plant may become moderately dry between waterings. This permits needed oxygen to reach the roots.

Try to give the poinsettia the sunniest spot available. It is wise to fertilize it occasionally with a good commercial food tablet.

Holly Superstition: It Will Determine Ruler In House

Husbands and wives! Attention! There is an old superstition about holly that will interest you. It was a belief of the ancients that the first to bring Christmas holly into the house, either husband or wife, would be the one to rule the household during the ensuing year.

But don't put too much stock in the belief. Like other Christmas legends, the truth might be lost in history.

The Druids were great admirers of the holly plant. They believed that its evergreen leaves attested to the fact that it was never deserted by the sun (and was therefore sacred.)

Legends have related how the crown of thorns was plaited from holly. The leaves of the plant

were white until the Crucifixion, after which they turned a deep, blood red.

A holly wreath placed on the door is believed enough to frighten away even the boldest of witches.

IF SANTA MISSES, REINDEER SUPPLY WILL BE AT FAULT

If Santa Claus misses some youngsters this year, it could be offered plausibly that he was not able to round up enough reindeer for his yearly trip around the globe.

The reindeer shortage has become, in recent years, much too acute. It has been estimated that wolves have destroyed 500,000 of Santa's helpers within the last decade or so, leaving an approximate 50,000.

The difficulty of keeping the animals alive in a temperate climate makes it unlikely that any

of the few remaining will be transported from their native regions to other lands for the holiday season, as has been done in the past.

American boys and girls will have to be satisfied with stand-ins. The few department stores featuring Santa's complete outfit this year will be using native deer as substitute for Dasher, Prancer, and company.

How Many Holidays?

Traditionally, Belgians celebrate three holidays at the Christmas season — beginning with St. Nicholas Day, December 6th, when the good saint brings gifts for children.

Then comes St. Thomas Day, December 21st. It's a sort of "trick or treat" day for school children, who try to play tricks on their teachers.

The third holiday, of course, is Christmas.



Christmas is a winter wonderland, covered by a blanket of pure white snow. We send you our sentiment during this brisk season through our warmest wishes and a hearty "Thanks." Merry Christmas.

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Make Your Home Safe From Fire

Few things are more costly and, in many instances, more tragic than fire, says an Extension agricultural engineer at Texas A&M University.

Resolve to make your home a fire safe home, suggests W. S. Allen. A home safe from fire, he says, depends on two important factors: good family habits about fire and its hazards, and good construction.

Good family habits include such things as care with matches and smoking, good housekeeping to get rid of rubbish, proper use of electrical fuses, appliances, and extension cords, and a constant general awareness of the ways fires start and how to avoid them.

Good construction for a fire safe home, according to the engineer, includes built-in fire stops. These are barriers of wood or masonry between studs, joists, rafters or stringers that serve to prevent the spread of smoke and fire. Good escape routes are a must. Best exits lead directly outside, not through other rooms. Windows should be large enough and low enough to climb through, and operate easily for the youngest member of the family.

Interior finish of materials with low flame-spread characteristics is suggested. Wallboards made of gypsum, cement, asbestos and similar materials are noncombustible and resist flame spread.

Fire-resistant roofing material, such as asphalt shingles, slate, asbestos or metal is preferred.

Proper wiring is most important. Qualified electricians follow the provisions of the National Electrical Code when installing wiring, a major factor in a fire safe installation.

A good heating plant properly installed and located, regularly inspected and cleaned, regularly inspected and cleaned insures its safe operation, he says. A furnace should never be located under stairs or near an entrance where fire originating in the heater might block escape.

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LELIA LAKE NEWS

Mrs. Pauline Roberts

Mr. and Mrs. George Shields and Donald left Sunday to spend the holidays in New Orleans, La. visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Butler and Rhonda shopped in Amarillo Wednesday.

A group of friends and neighbors gathered in Lelia Lake and pulled Cecil Mills' cotton for him. Those participating were Hester and George Shields, J. A. S. Wood, Ronald Castner, Ed. Gene and Ferrel Floyd, Hollis and Kelsey Banister, Lacy Noble, Chuck Longan, Pete and H. L. Riley, Clarence Ayers, Shorty Floyd and Troy Davis.

Minnie Lee Grounds of Dallas arrived Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Roberts and relatives in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Butler shopped in Amarillo Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Noble and Janie Sue left Saturday for Arlington to spend Christmas with their sons, Mr. and Mrs. Ike Noble and children and Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Lee Noble and children.

The cotton season is about over in our area. The gin has been going night and day for several weeks, and has kept up very well. Since the foggy weather came in Saturday, there will be a delay in some instances in the final gath.

News is short this week as the paper will be out early for the holidays.

We wish to take this opportunity to wish every one a very Merry Christmas. To the Editors and their staff who are so patient in their dealings with us correspondents. Merry Christmas everybody!

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Fox were in Briscoe Thursday to be with their granddaughter, Melony Stepp, who is ill in the hospital.



Greetings with every good wish for a beautiful Christmas! And may we express our sincere joy in serving you. Your patronage is appreciated.

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CHAMBERLAIN NEWS

Mrs. A. O. Hott

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Barbee of Quitaque visited their son, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Barbee, and attended their grandchildren, Ewayne, Jennie, and Jan's Band concert Tuesday night.

Mark Mann of Ashtola ate supper Monday night with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dingler.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hardin visited her sister, Miss Kathryn Turner, in Wellington Thursday. Miss Turner is quite ill at this time having experienced a change for the worse.

A. O. Hott visited Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Dozier Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Harrison, Jr. and family of Heyburn, Idaho are on their way home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Harrison, Sr., and her mother, Mrs. Lee Mears of Idalou. They visited her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Mears and family in Denver, Colo. and his sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Jones, Jr., Mike and Karen in Dalhart.

E. W. Barbee visited Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Hott Wednesday.

Mrs. Morris Crump and boys and Mrs. A. B. Ivey shopped in Amarillo Thursday.

Mrs. H. A. Harrison visited with Mrs. Leonard Dozier Friday morning.

Mrs. Dennis Harrison and Anna and Mrs. H. A. Harrison, Sr. visited Mrs. Olace Hicks Friday. Brent Bush left Saturday morning to spend Christmas with his folks.

Carolyn Harrison of Heyburn, Idaho arrived Saturday to spend Christmas holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Harrison and other relatives.

Water conservation is essential to the economic productivity of any region.—Resources in Action, Agriculture/2000

GOODNIGHT NEWS

Lee Ann Palmer

Mrs. G. A. Blankenship made a trip to Clarendon last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Clack visited the Lee Palmers last week.

Mr. W. M. Crain went to Panhandle last week to visit his father, Mr. A. M. Crain.

Mrs. S. L. Varble visited Mrs. Charles Devhle last Thursday. Sorry to hear Mrs. Edwards has been ill.

The H. M. Horschlers visited in Hedley last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Crain made several Christmas trips to Clarendon last week.

Mrs. Ben Lovell visited her mother, Mrs. W. A. Poovey last week.

The Lowell Hall children enjoyed Christmas parties at school last week.

The Goodnight Baptist Christmas program was held last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Crain were guests of Mrs. Retta Hubbard Wednesday.

Lee Ann Palmer participated in the Clarendon Band Concert last Tuesday.

We of Goodnight would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and the Happiest of New Years.

Rev. O. C. Edwards was present at the funeral of Mr. Claude Couch of Anton, Texas.

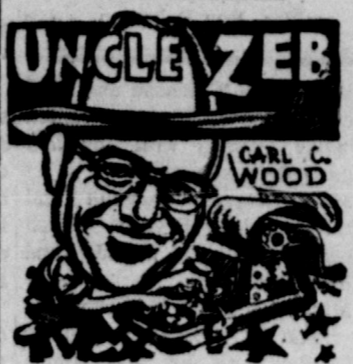
We are so glad to hear that Mrs. Nell Cornell was recently dismissed from the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Horschler Christmas shopped in Amarillo last week.

Recently Mr. and Mrs. Arling Cordell, Mr. and Mrs. Stina Cain and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Walker enjoyed the evening meal with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Palmer and Mrs. S. L. Varble.

The Clifford Mayhens are making plans to travel to their old home for the Christmas holidays. Rev. O. C. Edwards spoke at a

Baptist Men's Meeting at McLean last week.



There Is Always So Much Good At Christmas Time.

After Thanksgiving Day has passed we always get right into the thinking of Christmas Time. There are the hours of planning and shopping and the newspapers and radio and television programs won't let us forget it for a moment. I guess it is a good thing we are reminded . . .

The Christmas cards are to address and mail, and the postage is up. A dozen other things tend to slow us down. We get older, and we get tired more easily. We can find just any number of reasons to skip all or part of the festivities but in the end we never do . . .

As we said in the beginning There Is Always So Much Good

At Christmas Time that it offsets all the little troubles that get in the way. To have the families get together. To have the children come back home for a visit . . . To see the joy in the faces of little children as they receive a new toy would pay back many moments of tired shopping. Tucked away in each morning's mail is a Christmas Card we didn't expect from someone we didn't know ever thought of us. The following poem by Madeline Wilson sort of sums up our thoughts; It is called GIFTS.

'Tis not the gift which I receive That meant so much to me, It is the love that comes with it That brings me joy, you see; No matter if the gift be small It may not costly be, Yet, if it comes with greatest love, It means the world to me . . .

MARTIN NEWS

Mrs. Raymond Waldrop

Mrs. Duane Pittman and Christi of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Gamble of Stratford called

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on Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Higgins Tuesday enroute home from Childress.

Mrs. Raymond Waldrop attended a Sunday School Class party Monday night in the home of Mrs. Lloyd McCord.

Mrs. Eldon Lyles and Melinda attended the Band Concert Tuesday night in the College Auditorium.

Beth Waldrop attended a Spanish class Mexican dinner and party Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Land visited last week in Littlefield with her relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jiggs Mann and Mrs. J. D. Woods shopped in Amarillo Tuesday and had supper that night with Mrs. Willie Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Watson and Tim Cole took Mrs. Rosie Watson to her home in Groom Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Land, Bro. and Mrs. Bryan Knowles, Mrs. Clarence Moss and Shirley visited Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Watson.

Don Lyles, Tommy Waldrop, and Leane Risley are home from College for the Christmas holidays.

Neva Hill ate supper Friday night with Mrs. Raymond Waldrop and Beth.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Increasingly complex demands are being made upon all available resources by our dynamic society, resulting in rapid transformation of the rural countryside to accommodate dramatic national growth. . . —Resources in Action, Agriculture/2000



All the Best for CHRISTMAS

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Silent Night May the spirit of that night, on which the Saviour was born, shine upon you in this Christmas season. Grateful thanks for your continued good will.

- Mrs. John R. Gillham Mr. and Mrs. Alfred McMurtry and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Rhoades Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Floyd
Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Robertson and children Mr. and Mrs. Lee Muse
Mrs. Cap Lane Mrs. L. N. Cox
Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Wallace Rev. and Mrs. Paul Hancock and Amy
Mrs. Nonalle Thompson, Judy, Kotara and Karen B. C. Antrobus and Sarah
Mr. and Mrs. Mike West and Gary Mr. and Mrs. John White
Mrs. Bob Allen Mrs. C. M. Lowry
Leo and Sybil Snoddy Sam Lowry
Mr. and Mrs. Arling L. Cordell The Walter Ligons
Dr. and Mrs. Joe Goldston Mr. and Mrs. Frank Phelan Jr. Frank III and Charles
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bell and Bob Bell Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Gooch
Mr. and Mrs. Owen Johnson and Mitchell Mr. and Mrs. Gene White and Children
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hommel Jim A. Robertson
Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Hommel and Family Mrs. John Goldston
Mr. and Mrs. Seldon Bagby

The Clarendon Jaycees join with the Ministerial Alliance in thanking everyone for their combined efforts and generosity which will make possible a more joyous Holiday season for others.