## THE <br> ROPESTIIPLAINSMAN -

## Santa's Mail Load Up as Day Nears

## Water Quality Resparch Work Receives \$75,102 More Funds for Continuance



Members of the Morton Country Club called a special meeting Monday, December 3, and voted to reduce the club's membership fee from $\$ 225.00$ to $\$ 100$. The purpose from $\$ 225.00$ to $\$ 100$. The purpose for reducing the membership fe was to encourage more people to join the country club.

The Gloryland Two, O.A. and Nila Kissison of Lubbock presented a concert of gospel music last Sunday evening at the Missionary Baptist Church. Rev. Rois Standifer is pastor of this congregation.

The Texas Department of Public Safety is actively recruiting applicants to fill the ranks of its uniformed services. Major C.W. Bell, Regional Commander of the DPS, announced the training school for new uniformed law enforcement personnel is tentatively scheduled to begin February 1, 1974. Applications may be obtained by contacting any DPS employee or any DPS office. The complete application form should be taken to offices in Lubbock, Amarillo or Wichita Falls where the competitive examination is given each Tuesday and Wednesday at 9 a.m.

## Ropesville Area News

Visitors in the Emory Hobbs home
the last 2 weeks were Larry and the last 2 weeks were Larry and Garry Gryder of Brownfield, Mrs. Hobbs brother, Sid Freeman of Lubbock. A brother, Martin Freeman is in Methodist Hospital. The Hobbs were treated to a steak supper last Sunday by John and Ira Roberson after visiting in their home. $\qquad$
Mrs. Kenneth Evans and girls and Mrs. George Oliver were in Lawton, Oklahoma over the weekend.
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Quilting Club
The Quilting Club met at the home of Ruby Drake last week and

## Sylvester. Refreshm

 all had a good time.Congratulations lbs , and $6^{1 / 2} \mathrm{oz}$. and $191 / 2 \mathrm{in}$. long. Keith. The proud grandparents
further information on the contributions of soil nitrogen and fertilizer nitrogen separately by tagging the fertizer nitrogen. Additional data will be obtained in the study to evaluate the potential of using models to predict when movement of nitrate nitrogen to the water table may occur, according to TAES project leader Dr. Charles Wendt of Lubbock. "Studies will be made of soil and plant samples obtained periodically after rains or irrigation water applications. The soil and plant samples will be analyzed at the Munday TAES facility. Also Continued On Page Two

## Lions Club to Visit

 Girlstown, U.S.A.
## The Ropes Lions Club will have a

 meeting at Girlstown U.S.A. on December 17, 1973. Wives and all other interested persons are invited to attend and visit this fine organization.As in the past, the Lions will present gifts to the girls at Girlstown and will meet in the dining hall for the evening meal. The group will meet at the school cafeteria at 6:00 p.m. and proceed to Girlstown for the meal $7: 00$ p.m. Contact any Lion for further

## information.

## Merit Badges Won

 By Boy Scouts of Troop 563 HereSeveral merit badges have been earned by members of Troop 563 in the past few weeks. These are: Prepardness, Firemanship, First Aid to Animals, and Public, Firs Ajd to Animals, and Public Health Jeffery Ivy, Emergency Prepardness, Firemanship, and First Aid Emergency Prepardness, Fire manship, and First Aid to Animals The CrtintritBanquet will be theld on January 26, 1974 and the District Camporee will be held the first weekend in May. This will be held at Reese Air Force Base and the base has planned many interesting events for the scouts of
were Mrs. Faye Rogers, Mrs Hixie Tipps, Mrs. Viedna Darby, Mrs. Maggie Chitwood, Mrs. Tressie Exum, Mrs. Jessie Thomas, Mrs. Maurine Condra, Mrs. Jean Meed and Mrs. Louis

Refreshments were served and

To Mr. and Mrs. Clyde P'arker on the birth of a baby boy weighing 5 He was born December 9 at Ft. Sill in Lawton, Okla. His name is Brian are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Evans and Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Parker.

I would like a Light Bright battleship and a bicycle for Christmas Thank you.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll house, and a doll with hair and playdough.
Love,
Dee
Dear Santa,
I want a baby that has short hair and you pull the string and it gets long And I want a Show and Tell. I want a Light Brite.

Happy New Year,
Tamara
Dear Santa,
I want a machinegun and a bike.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a gun, a bike, that's all.
Martin

Dear Santa,
I want a dress and dishes, and clay.
George

I Love You, Pat

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle, a doll, a car (a real one), a long dress, a purse, some


Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a sewing machine. I want a sleeping bag, a bean bag chair, a little one. Some dominoes, a little desk and a little piano. Marty wants a bean bag chair too. A playing mixer.

I Love You
Tracy Lynn
Hello Santa,
I'll be glad when I get my toys.
I Love You,
Dana
Hi Santa Claus,
I want a doll. Some books. A baby.
Goodbye Santa Claus,
Susan
Dear Santa,
I want a car, really. I want a dolly. I' want a paper and I want playhouse Love,
Diana
Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle and I want a gun. I want a helicopter and I want a bicycle. I want a jump rope and I want some clay

Adam
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a GI Joe and a Big Jim. I want a car. That's all. Love,
Mitchell

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a new washing machine for my mother
Love,
Dear Santa,
I want a Snow Cone Maker and a BB gun. Some cars and a jump rope. A Coke machine.

I Love You,
Gabby
Dear Santa
I want some little cars. A gun too. A motorcycle.
Love,
Ruben
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a play rifle and some little cars. Do you give some jump ropes? If you do, I want one. Some socker boppers.

Bring me a Show and Tell. That's All.

## Love

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a BB gun, a billfold, and I want a ball. That's all.

Dear Santa,
I want a bike, a little car and a truck that picks up dirt. Love,

Dear Santa,
I want a baby and a baby buggy I want a little kitchen with all different things. That's all. Lucretia

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a dolly, some dishes. I want a TV.

Love,
Maggie
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a gun.
George E.
Santa,
I want a doly. I want some dishes. I want a piano and a telephone.

Love,
Sandy
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bicycle, a motorcycle and a mini bike. That's all.

Chris
Dear Santa,
I want a big truck and a big gun. I Love You,
Junior
Dear Santa,
I want a little motorcycle. Sammy

Dear Santa,
I want a train and some tinker toys and a little camera. If you don't have any of these I want a Big Wheels and some drums.

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More Santa Letters From School Children
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll that grows hair, a doll that eats and an Easy Bake

Love,
Sherri Bailey
Dear Santa,
I would like to have a trampoline. I want a bike too. I don't know what my little sister
wants but bring something for her

## Harold Sheppard

## Dear Santa Claus

I want a dollie that eats and drinks. I want a dollie that eats and drinks and has a baby bed for my sister. I want a dollie who pulls a string in her back and has balloons.

Ann Pierson

## Pear Santa Claus

Please bring me a trampoline
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## Comment

## The Academies

Recent statistics show 43 per cent of the 1974 class will not graduate from the Air Force Academy. Figures for the two other academies (Army and Navy) are lower, but nevertheless alarmingly higher- 38 and 32 percent respectively.
So, of every hundred cadets who entered the Air Force Academy in 1970, only 57 will graduate in June. Since the cost of an education at the service academies is estimated at $\$ 75,000$ the loss to the nation because of this high dropout rate is considerable.
In addition, the dropout rate means the nation is losing a high percentage of its future military leaders; national defense is certain to suffer as a result.
Part of the explanation no doubt lies in national disenchantment with the Vietnam war in recent years and the resulting disenchantment with all things military. The remedy lies in part in a reevaluation of our attitude to those who serve in the military forces.
The defense of freedom, the democratic system which is our form of government, is a precious responsibility which is sometimes necessary or the retention of that freedom. The nation needs the best men and women available for that job-a form of service with an honorable heritage and great traditions.

## Network Zeal

The television networks, whose news reporters and commentators have shown such zeal in probing scandals involving the White House, have not exhibited similar vigor in cleaning their own house
The Federal Communications Commission recently chastized both CBS and ABC for failing to adequately investigate charges of airing distorted news. In letters of rebuke, the FCC said it was not satisfied the networks had acted vigorously enough in looking into 1972 charges some so-called news shows were actually staged or partly-staged.
The FCC directed the networks to investigate these charges a year ago. The Commission's recent letters of rebuke came over a year after that order.
Self-righteous commentators who wail so frequently over scandals or alleged scandals might devote a bit of that energy to probing the distortion of news in their own back yard-as yet uncorrected because the networks feel themselves poweerful enough (and are) to do about as they please.

## The 93rd

Congress, which only a few years ago usually adjourned in August or thereabouts, and which was officially reorganized in the postwar years to insure earlier adjournment and a limited number of committees, had extended its life this year to December.
That means, since Congress meets each January, members are in session all year. They-in effect-are citizens of Washington, D.C. They get home only for brief visits.
Not only has Congress thus ignored its own reorganization act but, until President Nixon put a stop to it, or most of it, Congress was also regularly ignoring limitations of the budget, spending far more than the federal government's income
In view of the relatively few major bills passed each year, Congress should normally be able to adjourn by the end of August or September. Lawmakers cannot appreciate how constituents back home feel, and live, and what conditions are, unless they themselves live there. Living in Washington year-round instead makes Congressmen, in time, and to varying degrees, 535 members of the federal bureaucracy living in Washington.

## The Economy

Though the oil shortage has produced widespread pessimism about the economy in 1974, in this country and others, there are several encouraging trends which somewhat offset the bad news
The October trade surplus, for example, released at the end of November, totaled $\$ 527$ million. It greatly enhanced chances that this year, for the first time in three years, the United States international trade balance will be in the black.
If that occurs, it will be a dramatic turnaround from the situation of a year ago. International trade in 1972 showed a deficit (more bought than sold) of $\$ 6.4$ billion. It will be recalled that this constituted something of a crisis, and it was not known at that time whether the slide could be arrested within a year.
The dollar is now showing encouraging signs of strength, and in recent months its value has moved up sharply on European money markets. The improved trade picture undoubtedly helped the dollar, which now seems safe from further devaluation for some time. Corporation and personal income, likewise, was high in 1973 and business good. Unemployment was down signiicantly, and thus the picture-were it not for the present oil crunch-would be unusually bright. The energy crisis, then, is the critical economic and political

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Water Quality
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cooperating in analyzing samples will be the chemistry department at Texas A\&M University," Wendt said.
He added that some increases in the nitrate nitrogen in groundwater under fertilized plots have been observed. "However, preliminary data indicate that fertilizer nitrogen is not a major contributor to nitrogen in the groundwaters of the Munday and Lubbock areas," Wendt said.
He cited several reasons for this. "Rainfall, for example, does not contain nitrogen and tends to dilute the soil solution before it dilute the soil solution before it reaches the water table. Although nitrate nitrogen is a problem only in localized parts of the ara, its level in the groundwater is increasing," Wendt added.
This is a unique instance where agricultural practices can be evaluated for potential problems before they actually become problems. The research is being observed with considerable interobserved with considerable est since findings have statewide
application, the scientist added. application, the scientist added.
The study is being conducted at The study is being conducted at
the Texas A\&M University the Texas A\&M University
Vegetable Research Station at Vegetable Research Station at
Munday, under the direction of Dr . Munday, under the direction onday are Raford Hargrove, research associate and soil chemist; Walter Bausch, agricultural engineer; and Larry Barnes, research associate Besides Wendt, Lubbock TAES Besides Wendt, Lubbock TAES scientists assigned to the project
are Dr. Arthur Onken, soil chemist, and Dr. Otto Wilke, chemist, and Dr.


## JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM

"About this time Caesar Augustus, the Roman Emperor, decreed that a census should be taken throughout the nation. (This census was taken when Quirinius was governor of Syria.)
Everyone was required to return to his ancestral home for this registration. And because Joseph was a member of the royal line, he had to go to Bethlehem in Judea, King David's ancient homejourneying there from the Galilean village of Nazareth. He took with him Mary, his fiancee, who was obviously pregnant by this time.
And while they were there, the time came for her baby to be born, and she gave birth to her first child, a son. She wrapped him in a blanket and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the village inn." (Luke 2:1-7)
-From The Living Bible
Religious Heritage of America
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Washington, D. C.

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## Can anyone do what you do any better?

Probably not. All things considered you do what you do pretty doggone well. After all, no one has taken your job. And youre eating regularly. But.

But have you ever considered what doing your job just a little better might mean?

Money. Cold hard coin of the realm.
If each of us cared just a smidge more about what we do for a living, we could actually turn that inflationary spiral around. Better products, better service and better management would mean savings for all of us. Savings of much of the cash and frayed nerves it's costing us now for repairs and inefficiency.

Point two. By taking more pride in our work we'll more than likely see America regaining its strength in the competitive world trade arena. When the balance of payments swings our way again we'll all be better off economically.

So you see-the only person who can really do what you do any better is you.

## America. It only works as well as we do.

## Wolfforth Area News

Mr. and Mrs. Dub Turner Mr. and Mrs. Dub Turner mother, Mrs. Carol Messimer. Turner was recently discharged from the U.S. Marine Corps.

FTATea
The J. Weldon Bennett Chapter of the Future Teachers entertained teachers, parents and school personnel with a tea Wednesday afternoon.
Refreshments of punch and Christmas cookies were served. FHA
The Future Homemaking girls will visit shut-ins in Wolfforth Thursday afternoon. They will gifts to the shut-ins.

## Toys For Tots

The Frenship Young Farmers, Student Council and Future Farmers are co-sponsoring a toys for tots drive. Containers are placed in the halls of Frenship High School for the toys. These toys should be new or used toys. If used, they should be in good condition.

High Decorates Doors
Each teacher in Jr. High has decorated the doors to their classroom. The doors are
decorated in the theme "The Twelve Days of Christmas". They are beautiful and original. Come by and see them.

## High School Door Contest

Each classroom in high school has decorated their doors. The doors will be judged Friday

News Briefs
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New directors for the Gaines County Golf Club are Jesse Lambert, D.R. Taylor, W.R. George Cristy of Seminole Retiring directors include James Belcher, Jim Hamilton, Neil Belcher, Jim Hamilton, Neil
Vanzant and Marion Bowers. Holdover directors are Gerald Shelley, Mack Kemp, Don Johnson and Charles Stinnett. The new members will be inducted at a general meeting in Januar
One of the highlights of the Christmas season in Seagraves will be the "Carol of Christmas", a cantata written by John Peterson from various local churches at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, December 16, at First Baptist Church. Included in the program will be a pageant or dramatization of the Christmas story. Six scenes will be presented, with Bible character
portrayed in costumes.

Members of the Loop Young Farmers head State Representative E.L. Short of Tahoka speak last week at a special meeting. State Rep. Short is chairman of the House Agricultural committee.

Miss Pamela Marie Owens and Stanley Montgomery. Anciec exchanged wedding vows recently in the home of the bride's parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Owens of Loop. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Owens of Loop.
Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Ancinec also of Loop.
Sealed bids will be taken any time up to January 14, 1974, at 8 p.m. in the Shallowater school business office on the three (3) acres of land out of the SE/4 of Section 22, Block D-5, Lubbock County, Texas. This is the land where the Neg
formerly located.
ormerly located.
The Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids submitted for
best interest of the school.
afternoon and prizes awarded for first, second and third place winners. This contest in sponsored by the Student Council.

## Choir

The Varsity Choir visited the University Convalescent Center in Lubbock Tuesday and sang Christmas carols.

## Frenship Lunch

## Menu

Monday, December 17 Barbecued Meat Balls Buttered Corn, Green Peas east Rolls, Cookies, Milk

Tuesday, December 18 Macaroni and Cheese Blackeye Peas, Tossed Salad Peanut Butter Cake, Milk, Rolls Wednesday, December 19 Christmas Dinner
Turkey-Dressing-Gravy Green Beans, Yeast Rolls Fruit Salad, Cranberry Salad Milk

Thursday, December 20 Sloppy Joe's, French Frys Tossed Salad, Fruit Cobbler, Milk

Christmas Holidays Start
See you January 2, 1974

## Frenship Basketball Weekly Report

The 7th, 8th and 9th grade girls played Cooper Monday night. The 7th grade lost by a score of 31-17. Tonya Ivey was high for Frenship with 6 points.
The 8th grade won with a score of 16-15. Jean Ann Jones was high for Frenship with 10 points.
The 9th grade lost with a score of 44-41. Janice McKinney was high with 23 points.
The 7th, 8th and 9th grade boys played Cooper Monday night. The 7 th grade lost with a score of $26-24$. Leslie Davis had 10 points and Larry Allen had 4 for Frenship. The 8th grade won with a score of 57-34. Mike Parker had 30 points and Lloyd Strong 10, Rodney Parker 7 for Frenship.
The 9th grade lost in overtime with a score of $35-33$. At the end of the first quarter the score was $15-2$ in favor of Cooper. However, Frenship finally started hitting and the score at the end of regulation play was $29-29$. Rickey Williams had 13 points for Frenship. Mike Benson had 10 points and Weldon Brooks had 6.

Weekly Schedule
Dec. 17- Tahoka: 7-8-9 Girls, Here 5:30 p.m. 7-8-9 Boys, There 5:30

Dec. 13-15 - Abernathy Tourney, Varsity Boys and Girls
Dec. 18 - Cooper, Varsity Girls District Game, There 5 p.m. Dec. 18 - Littlefield: Varsity Boys Dec. 21 . Slaton: District game, There 5 p.m. Varsity Boys and Girls, JV Boys.
Frenship Girls Play In Tulia Tournament
The Frenship Varsity Girls played in the tournament at Tulia
last week. They played Canyon on Thursday and lost $95-15$. Denise Kinner was high for Frenship with

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## FOR NEWS, ADS \& SUBSCRIPTIONS IN WOLFFORTH CONTACT <br> MRS. JOE MANGUM

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ACT Testing Set February 23rd
The next testing date for the American College Test (ACT) has South Plains College.
Students wishing to take the est may register now through Jan. 28 in the counselor's office at the college. They will receive a egistration card and registration instructions upon signing up.

## A TREE FOR THE HOLIDAYS



The Christmas tree symbolizes the warmth of the holiday season. It's a charming custom brought to this country by the Germans who settled in Pennsylvania. The early
trees were gaily decorated with various fruits and nuts, colorful bits of flannel, toys and candles. Here's a cheese hors d'oeuvre tree subtly flavored with sherry. Parsley garlands the tree and DROMEDARY Pimiento adorns the top. Simple to make, it's festive enough for any holiday gathering. Serve as a spread with TRISCUIT Wafers and CHEESE HORS D'OEUVRE TREE

1 (8-ounce) package cream cheese, softened 12 ounces shredded Cheddar cheese $1 / 8$ teaspoon cayenne pepper
$1 / 4$ cup dry sherry
2 tablespoons snipp
1 (2-ounce) jar DROMEDARY Sliced Pimientos, drained TRISCUIT Wafers
French Onion Crackers
Beat first four ingredients with electric mixer until well blended. Chill overnight or longer. Soften mixture slightly at room temperature. Fashion into a cone shaped tree using a spatula. With the tip of a paring knife, make a ridge spiraling from top to bottom. Jvst before serving, sprinkle ridge with and French Onion Crackers. Makes about 2 cups spread.

## ACT assessment scores sent to as

 many as three colleges orscholarshipagencies. There is a fee of $\$ 1$ for each additional selection. Time and place of the test will be Time and place
announced later

## Additional testin

Additional testing dates for the ACT exam are April 27 and June
Registration for the April test opens on Jan. 21 and closes on
April 1. Opening registration for the June test is March 25 and closing date is May 20.
Persons needing further information concerning the ACT test may contact Don Melton, director of guidance at SPC, or Mrs. Sherley Foster, academic coun-
selor.

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## SPORTS

## by Joe Kelly

Did he or didn't he, only his conscience knows-to paraphrase a Didmercial.
I'm referring to that technical foul that a usually milk-mannered Gerald Myers drew against Stetson Saturday night. Was it intentional to arouse his team, which had been pretty lethargic up to that point.
Oh, no," he said after the game. "I'd never do anything like that! I just hope no one heard what I said. I'm not very proud of that."
The poker face hid as inscrutable as the Sphinx any indication that he wasn't his usual $100 \%$ honest self
But, regardless of that, the technical aroused the sluggish Tech forces. After the free throw was made, running the score to $14-10$, the Raiders went to work and never trailed. In fact, Stetson was held to only eight points the next 11:04 of first half play.

The Raiders, who played with about as much enthusiasm as the almost silent crowd, started working. They showed considerable improvement over the Vanderbilt game. They worked to get the ball to the open man They ran their patterns. They played tough defense
But, late in the second half, when Gerald tried to give his subs experience, poised Stetson found the new meat to its liking and cut the edge to six points. Fortunately, the front line players were able to come in and meet the challenge
"I wanted to give the young players experience," Gerald said with shake of his head, "but I couldn't take a chance when they cut the lead that much.
That's tough on Gerald, because he wants to win, has to win when he can. Still, he has to find out what his young players can do under pressure, as well as give them game experience-

Experience would help down the line. The trouble is, with the caliber of teams Tech is playing, it probably won't be possible for Gerald to sub much and still have a chance to win. It's a real spot.
J.T. King, Tech's capable athletic director, was holding the floor before the Stetson game, talking about the proposal to add several minor sports to the athletic programs at SWC schools.
"Humph," he snorted, "they said it wouldn't cost anything. That was the argument of the soccer people. Well, I had talked to two Big 10 ADs and that was the argument that had been used on them.
"They added soccer and the first thing you know, the teams couldn't just compete near home. They had to travel all over. It would take $\$ 150,000$ a year to add soccer alone. And where's the money going to come from."

Silence greeted Jake's question
"Guess they wanted to add lacrosse," I said with a chuckle
"That's right!" Jake exclaimed. "And ping pong and even chess. Why there's no telling where it would all end. They suggested something like eight things.
"I'll tell you. We've got to draw a line somewhere or else we'll all fold," Jake said positively

It's with a little ironic amusement that I note how selfish people really are. Football says playing games at night really doesn't use all that much energy. Ditto basketball. Auto races say that they don't really use that much gasoline.
Snowmobile and boat people all poo-poo any significant gas usage Everyone points to another sport as being the culprit in an effort to kee the status quo for his sport.

Listen to the screams of anguish when the other shoe drops
The Roundup-Congratulations to Joe Barnes on winning the Kern Tips Award. He definitely deserved it

Congratula tions, too, to the Big 8 for ignoring the Oklahoma governor's attempt not to "deprive" Oklahoma residents of seeing their team on TV. If OU had followed the rules, one or two games a year would have bee televised. $\qquad$ Cotton Ne elevised.
yly missed being mer and official, narrowly missed being a heart said to be in good shape

Iba, and former Moe Iba, State's great Nebraska Her the Ten Vand號 Vandy beat a good Cornhusker team, 82-58.
Mexico, the graveyard of football coaches, just erected another tombstone. This time affable Rudy Feldman was the "accident" victim.

Ardis Barton, former Texas Tech roundballe
is a successful ginner at Earth, Texas.

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## Dear Santa

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and some candy. I want you to bring Beau some Putt Putts. Please don't forget mother and daddy.

## Shannon Means

Dear Santa Claus,
Bring me some radio and a Big Wheel and bring me some guns and bring my two brothers some. Love,
Danny Deleon
Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a football suit and a new football. I also want and a new football. I also want
some boots and tennis shoes. some boots and tennis shoes. Santa, Daddy wants some boots and a gin that doesn't break down. I don't know what mother and Mitchell want. I have been a good boy.

## Love,

Delwin Britton
Dear Santa,
I want a doll. I want a bed. I want a table. I am six. I am nice brothers. I am in the first grade. Lisa Mendez

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a ball, a purse, and a bike. I have been a good girl. I am in the first grade. good girl. I am in the first grade.
Love, Love,
Vera Cortez

Dear Santa,
I want a doll that drinks water

Dear Santa,
I want a doll that eats and drinks, a doll that talks, the big one, a joy box and Mrs. Beasley. Love,
Mary Alice Rosales

## Dear Santa,

I want one doll, a toothbrush and toothpaste.

Love
Norma Zepeda

Dear Santa
Two dolls and some dishes. Please bring my brothers and sisters something too.

Love
Flora Prieto

## Dear Santa,

I want a motorcycle, a toy rabbit and something for my brothers.

Love,
Natividad
Dear Santa,
I want a doll that cooks cake and doll with a cradle. For my little brother a teddy bear. I been a good girl. Please bring us some candy and nuts.

Angie Pena
Hi Santa,
I am in first grade. I want a baby

Dear Santa,
I want a little doll for my sister and a little stove for her too.

Patricia Lopez
Dear Santa,
I want a trampoline, a Barb airplane, and Alexander doll. How are you santa? I am fine.
$\qquad$
Shelia Bridwell
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll, a ball, and a stove. I have six brothers and sisters. Please bring something for them too.

## Love,

Lisa Kay Galey
The word "wassail" derives from the Anglo-Saxon "waes hael" which meant "Be in health." which meant "Be in health." Wassail was a mixture of mulled ale, eggs, curdled cream, roast apples, nuts and spices.
The Irish place lighted candles in their windows on Christmas Eve as a guide and an invitation to all, who like Mary and Joseph, may be seeking shelter.

Lithuanians cover their ChristLithuanians cover their Christ-
mas Eve dinner table with layers mas Eve dinner table with layers
of straw in memory of the night in of straw in
Bethlehem

## Bonds are for giving at Christmas.


U.S. Savings Bonds fit everybody on your Christmas list. And they come in sizes to fit your budget, too. This Christmas, give someone you love a Bond-it's the gift that keeps on growing.


Ray Joe Riley of Hart, President of Lubbock based Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., has advised the U.S Administrator of Petroleum Allocation that the proposed allocation of middle distillate fuels o farmers on a "base perio olume" system will not work. The proposal was published in the Federal Register of November 27 and final regulations are to become effective December 27. If unchanged, the proposed rules would restrict farmers to the use of only as much fuel in each month of 1974 as was used in the corresponding month of 1973. PCG comment on the proposal pointed out that "It is impossible to establish a direct relationship between the total fuel required for
the production and harvest of crops in 1973 and the fuel that may be needed to produce and harvest the crops in 1974. And it is even more unrealistic to assume that fuel needs in a given month of one year will conform to the requirements during the corresponding month of any previous year."
The proposed "Mandatory Allocation Program for Middle Distillate Fuels" defined agricul ture's "certified need" as "100 percent of base volume," to which Riley's letter stated "Only fuel to meet 100 percent of current equirements will produce the food and fiber necessary to prevent the visitation of severe hardship on the consumers of this nation; 100 percent of base period volume will not." As an example of the variations in fuel requirements during the Riley cited the fact High Plains filey cited the fact figh Plains farmers in October, November and
December of this year have needed December of this year have needed
five or six times as much fuel for five or six times as much fuel for
harvesting and land preparation as was needed in 1972. Of this year's estimated 2.7 million bale cotton crop over 1.5 million bales had been harvested by December 4, he noted, whereas weather prevented harvesting and land prepara tions last year until January, ebry about 200,000 bales of the Only about 200,000 bales of the
1972 crop had been harvested by鲑
A December of last year
"Any number of examples can be
ited to show that successful farming operations cannot possibly be carried out from year to year under a month-by-month fuel allocation system," Riley continued.

For these reasons we urge you accept and make allowances for the fact that agricultural production cannot be maintained, much less increased, if provisions are not made (1) for farmers to obtain fuels when needed, not when they were for farmers to obtain fuel over and for farmers to obtain fuel over and
above the total used in a previous year when the use of additional fuel becomes essential to the production and harvest of crops."
In conclusion the OCG letter said

## Southwestern Exposition \& Fat Stock

 Show Sale Scheduled January 25thannual Quarter Horse Sale, and auctions of champion steers,
barrows and lambs will highlight the 1974 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show Jan. 25 through Feb. 3, reports W.R. Watt Jr., general manager.

Stock Show cattle auctions will present an excellent opportunity for ranchers, farmers and breeders to buy top quality herd foundation and replacement stock," Watt said. "Many of these auctions are once-a-year buying opportunities." Watt reminded potential exhibitors at the 78th annual Stock Show that entry deadline is Dec. 15 for cattle, horses, sheep and swine. Entries of pigeons, rabbits and poultry should be in the Stock Show office by Jan. 15
Entry information and premium lists are available at the Stock
Show, P.O. Box 150 , Fort Worth, Texas 76101, or the office at 3401 Crestline Road.
The 1974 sale series begins with the commercial Hereford female auction scheduled at 1 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 27 in Barn 6. Watt said more than 600 heifers from

## Shallowater School

 Lunch MenuMonday, December 17
Hot dogs with chili
Baked corn
Sweet relish
Pineapple puddin
Tuesday, December 18
Burritos
Pinto beans with bacon
Cole slaw
Peanut butter brownies
Corn bread squares
Wednesday, December 19
Thurkey and dressing with giblet
gravy
Cranberry sauce
Seasoned green beans
Fluffy whipped potatoes
Fresh fruit salad
ot rolls

Thursday, December 20
Ham and peanut butter-jelly sandwiches
Potato chips
Lettuce and tomato salad
Ice cream Bell Bar
Butter and $1 / 2$ pint Grade A milk

Planned as part of the National Centennial Angus Show is a sale of Angus bulls performance tested Angus bulls at $12: 30$ p.m. Monday,
Jan. 28 in Barn 6 . The bull sale will be under supervision of the Texas Angus Association.
Sponsored by the Texas Polled Hereford Association, the annual Southwestern Select Sale or Polled Hereford cattle will begin at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 28, in the Auctin Arena between Cattle Barns 2 and 3.
The Sale of champion steers gets underway at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 29, in Barn 6, with Walter Britten of Bryan as auctioneer. Last year's grand champion steer brought
$\$ 7,500$ for Gary Cromwell, a $4-\mathrm{H}$ Club member from Smithfield. Limousin cattle will sell at 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1, in Barn 6. This sale
is co-sponsored by the Texas and is co-sponsored by the Texas and
Oklahoma Limousin Associations.

## The Friendly Beasts

## Jesus, our Brother, strong and good, Was humbly born in a stable

Was humbly born in a stable rude
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Jesus our Brother strong and good
said the donkey, shaggy and brown, I carried his mother up hill and down, said the donkey, shaggy and brown.
"I," said the cow, all white and red,
'I gave him my manger for his bed, I gave him my hay to pillow his head " said the cow, all white and red. "I," said the sheep with curly horn,
"I gave him my wool to keep him war "I gave him my wool to keep him warm, I gave him my coat on Christmas mor

A Christmas Carol by Robert Davis From ENCYCLOPEDIA OF BIBLE LIFE-
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Although a live Christ bring joy and beauty to the holiday hazard if it becomes too dry, says agricultural engineer for the Service. Buy a fresh tree early and store it outside in the shade with the base in water. When bringing the tree indoors, cut the base at a n set it in water. heck the water level daily. Locate he tree away from sources of heat. se a lighting system that is in ood condition. And use flame etardant or non-combustible ecorating materials.
How About A Living Christmas ree?-A living Christmas tree will keep on giving pleasure in the Aleppo pine, Japanese black pine, Japanese yew, Loblolly pine Deodar cedar, juniper, American holly, Burford holly, Dahoon holly r yaupon. For a tubbed plant, try Continued On Page Six

## TIPS For <br> 

## by Vern Sanford

Practically every outdoorsman owns an automobile-and some maintain several. A rapidly increasing number possess RV's, more commonly called recreation vehicles. These include jeeps, station wagons, suburbans, carryalls, trucks, truck campers, trailers, motor homes, and a variety of in-betweens.
Unfortunately nearly every motor vehicle owner has had an accident of one kind or another . . . a minor or major collision. Some have witnessed crashes and all who travel have seen the after-effects of a wreck
But, have you ever seen a single driver of any of these involved vehicles, or even a witness to one of the accidents, who had in his possession at the time, or in his modestransporte, a simple little item that would prevent a lot of other unhappy incidents that almost invariably follow such crashes.

We're not talking about emergency life-saving kits, or Red Cross FirstAid Boxes, or warning flashlights, or reflectors, or blinkers to place along
the highway to warn approaching cars the highway to warn approaching cars to slow down and be cautious. All these items are necessities that you
should carry in your car at all times.

What we're talking about is merely one simple little cleanup item. Something with which to sweep away all that broken glass and those sharp pieces of bent and splintered metal that are invariably scattered over the highway-those cutting, piercing pieces that slice or flatten tire after tire on vehicles that must roll over the cene of the wreck.
We refer, of course, to a simple room-that's all.
Any kind will do, from whiskbroom size to one like the daughter got for Christmas with her housekeeping set. Or, better yet (room permitting) a man-sized, long-handled sweeper. Or even better, one made of metal.
Why not toss one into your car today? Fellow motorists will appreciate your thoughtfulness. You'll fee good about it-and you'll be one in a million in this self-centered "to hell with everyone else" world.
Political candidates often use the old cliche "A new broom sweeps clean" but any old broom will sweep the Ever swerve to
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on the highway? Almost had glass too, didn't you? Almost had a wreck too, didn't you?

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## Energy Crisis <br> Recinmendations

make expected 1974 production levels with a 1972 fuel allocation Producers Ass'n. and Texas Grain orghum Producers Board. Federal allocations of diesel fue third priority behind oil exploraion and public surface transporta month for month the same amount fuel they purchased in 1972. Temporary relief from th monthly fuel allocations was granted recently in order that farmers could complete the 1973 day pext excess fuel used in plete harvest operations", said Jack King, research director fo rganizations GSPA and TGSPB "We recommend that under present conditions farmers should they farmed in 1972," King continued. He noted that the feral reaction to the tight fuel farmers should be extremely careful with 1974 supplies.
Elbert Harp, executive directo of GSPA and TGSPB, along with King and other members of the organizations' staff, has been problem withstantly on the fue for weeks.
King spent a week in Washington recently and was ernment officials to release farmers temporarily from strict monthly allocations.
"Farmers who prepare more and for 74 crops than they farmed in may run completely out of fuel before the year ends," King

Politics being what they are, you can expect government to be what it is.

Workers often steal by doing nothing when they are supposed to be working

## Sign Painting, Vanishing Art Form, to be Taught at South Plains College this Spring

Sign Painting, will be taught at South Plains College for the first time this spring.
Don Stroud, associate professor of art at SPC, will instruct the course, apparently the only one of its kind offered in any Texas college.
Time and date of classes will be announced later.
The sign painting course will be a two-year program with on-the-job training during the summers, Stroud said.
Students will have a chance to work part-time during the summer and receive training from Vernon Hill, a professional sign painter with 15 years experience in the sign painting business. Hill has the only sign painting company in
Levellad, Vernon Hill Sign Co. at 115 W. 1st. Students will receive a grade for both classroom and on the job work, Stroud said.
Hill termed sign painting a "vanishing art." He said there is a terrific need for sign painters. "It's one of the highest paid skills and it's going to get better"
Hill estimated that a sign painter can earn anywhere from $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 12.50$ an hour, depending on the area they work in. He said that a skilled sign painter could earn about $\$ 10.50$ an hour in the Levelland area
The sign painting course can be taught on the SPC campus or at the college extention centers in Lubbock and Plainview. Persons needing further information can contact Stroud on the SPC

## The Christmas

## Story

## y Martha Evans

Christmas is a time for fun and presents. But also for love and Jesus.
People and children like to get presents. It is more important to give than to receive. A of This is a story about a girl named Cathy Miller.
One day Cathy walked in the door. As she sat down she yelled loudly, "I need some new mittens". Her mother said, "you have some What is the matter with yours?"
"They are black" Cathy said. "I have some black gloves" said Dad who just walked in from work "Anyway, I want a doll, a bike some boots, a play printing press and a cat for Christmas", she said. friends something?" asked mother bug me", she said. "We get things for you" said Dad. "So", Cathy returned rudely.
The next day, before Cathy got up, her mother and father were about Cathy", said Mom. "She wants so much and does not want to give anybody anything", sai Dad feeling bad "I will talk to you later, in the meantime I will be thinking", said Dad,
"I am starved", said Cathy, wh just walked in. Her brown eye Continued On Page Seven

## J.C. Roberts Package Store

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## STATE CAPITAL Highlights wsidelights

 Occupational Center, 302 W. 8th St., PlainviewAg Briefs
Continued From Page Five a Norfolk Iskand pine, kumquat, calamondin or yew. Be sure the contained has drainage to allow excess moisture to escape. Locate the tree away from sources of heat and keep the room as cool as possible. After Christmas, the tree will make a fine addition to your landscape

Fertilizer Use Important-Despite higher prices, farmers should keep economics in mind when planning their fertilizer program for the coming season, advises an agronomist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service Fertilizer is a vital production Fertilizer is a vital production input necessary for maximum economic yields. Producers should figure their fertilizer costs per bushel or pound of their expected yields and then look at the expected prices for their commodities. A soil test will help producers use fertilizer for maximum efficiency.

Beef, Forages To Highlight Confab-Key topics such as animal breeding, reproduction, nutrition and animal health will highlight the Beef Cattle Short Course which will be a part of the Texas Animal Agriculture Conference at Texas A\&M University, Jan. 21-23. Other short courses will be held in Dairy Production, Horses, Swine, and Pastures and Forages. A special Latin American Agriculture Symposium will also Agricuture featured at the conference.

Austin-Hearings will be held soon by the State Insurance Board to see if misleading or deceptive "sales pitches" are being used by the insurance industry in Texas. Joe Christie, Chairman of the Texas Insurance Board, says the goal of the board is to protect the consumer and build confidence in the insurance industry.
"People need insurance, The Board wants to make certain they are getting good information about the product," he told the Austin Ad Club last week. "Slub last week.
insurance industry are cause the insurance industry are caused by failure to communicate properly with the buyer. We are not getting life insurance rates, and we will hold hearings to compare rates. The Board will issue comparisons on life insurance policies and rate for the buying public.

Insurance is the largest industry in Texas, he added, and a difficult industry to regulate.
"The board started
"The board started publishing names of agencies and agents who have been found guilty of abusing the public, and we have seen a decrease of complaints," Christie continued.

Another goal is to clean up deceptive advertising, he told the ad group.
Christie asked the ad leaders to help the Board make certain the buying public knows about deviating rates in fire and casualty insurance.
"Shop for your insurance as you would groceries or any other product. You can get a $10 \%$ reduction on your automobile
insurance for example if you take the defensive driving courses. Watch for optional coverage on personal injury insurance. It will be on your bill if you do not specify that you "do not" want it.

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"The Board plans to set up a Health Maintenance Organization o see how health care is delivered in Texas.
"We do not question the quality of health care in Texas, but we want to know the quantity of health care," he concluded.
Hospital Program ChangedThe Governor declined to sign an agreement with the Department of Health, Education and Welfare to implement state and local review of health care facility construction in Texas.
His action left hospitals and nursing homes eligible to participate in federal program without getting a state certificat of need.
Aides to Briscoe said the Department of Health, Education and Welfare in Washington has assured them there is no penalty to the health care industry if a state does not participate in the review program.
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-The court will rule in January whether Travis, Nueces, Tarrant, McLenna, Lubbock, Jefferson, Galveston, El Paso and Hidalgo counties should have single member districts. Bexar, Dallas and Harris counties already have such districts.

- A divided Court of Criminal appeals held marijuana offenders convicted before April 23 and appealing for lighter sentences cannot be resentenced under the new Texas drug act.
-The State Supreme Court refused a motion for rehearing in Toyah school district's fight to avoid annexation by Pecos-Barstow Consolidated Independent School District.
-A Deaf Smith County man lost an appeal from a 99 -year sentence for rape, for holding his own wife while another man attacked her. Short Snorts
Harrison Vickers of Houston resigned as executive director of the State Democratic Executive Committee.
Lee Godfrey of Austin has been named state campaign manager for Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby
Texas Rehabilitation Commission has been credited with leading the nation in successful rehabilitations in fiscal 1973.
The state has issued its last old age assistance check in a $\$ 4$ billion program. The federal government will take over the Supplemental Security Income program January 1. Hazel G. McKinney, 76, of Smithville got the last state check before the switchover.


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## Christmas Story

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thanks", replied Cathy.
That night, after supper, Dad had a plan. "We can skip presents for her, and on Christmas, if she decides to get gifts for friends the continued Dad. "That is a good idea", said Mom.
On Christmas, Cathy was surprised. After breakfast Cathy said, "let's open presents". "After I finish washing the dishes" said mother. "I will help so we can hurry," she cried. "Mom, where are the gifts?" Cathy was confused.
about what happened. From now on Cathy Miller was a kind girl. She always washes dishes and was It is never greedy again. It is important to give gifts hristmas. Cathy learned why.

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