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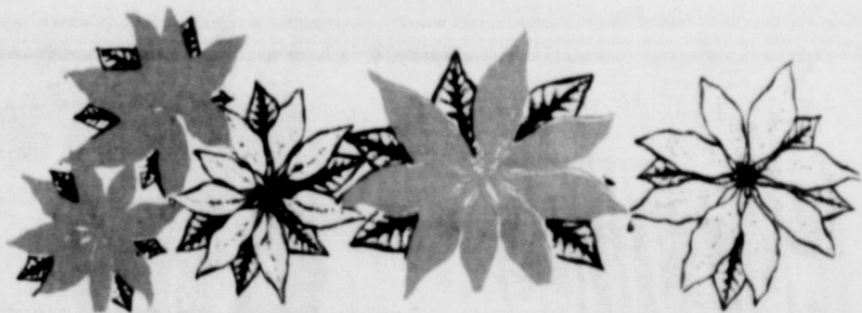


A STAR in the SKY

An ANGEL'S VOICE

Telling the world - REJOICE! REJOICE!
 But that was centuries And centuries ago, And we ask today
WAS IT REALLY SO?
 Was this Christ Child born In a manger bed
 Without a pillow To rest HIS head?
 Did HE walk on earth And live and die
 And return to GOD? To dwell on HIGH?
 We were not there To hear or see,
 But our hopes and dreams Of ETERNITY
 Are centered around That holy story When God sent us His SON in GLORY-
 And life on earth Has not been the same, Regardless of what The skeptics claim,
 For no event Ever left behind A transformation Of this kind...
 So question and search And doubt, if you will,
 But the STORY OF CHRISTMAS Is living still...
 And though man may conquer The earth and the sea,
 He cannot conquer ETERNITY... And with all his TRIUMPH
 Man is but a clod Until he comes To REST WITH GOD.

Helen Steiner Rice



May the MIRACLE of
CHRISTMAS

be your reassurance that love is immortal
and life is eternal... and may God bless
you especially at Christmas and go with
you through the coming year

FROM THE STAFF OF THE
EARTH NEWS-SUN

ROSS-POLLY-LEANNA-JODY-SHIRLEY



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State Commissioner Upholds Decision Of School Board

Jerry Kelley, President of the Springlake-Earth School Board, State Commissioner of Education, J.W. Edgar, in a meeting at Austin Tuesday, December 19, sustained the decision of the Springlake-Earth School Board to suspend a school board member by Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jones and Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Thomas concerning disciplinary action against their sons, Guy Davis and Larry Thomas. Edgar recommended that the students should have been

disciplined, but added that, in his opinion, the disciplinary action might possibly have been more severe than necessary. He discussed the possibility of the local board, at their discretion, might give the students some type of relief. Those attending the appeal were Ed Dawson, Dwane Jones, Jimmy Craft, P.A. Washington, Jerry Kelley, Bill Mann, Mrs. Norman Sulser, Mrs. Ardis Barton, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Holder, Mrs. J.B. Thomas, Ward Cooksey, and Tom SoRelle.

Businesses To Close For Holiday

Local business will close for Christmas Day. Those businesses staying closed for a longer period of time will be the Wolverine Drive-In—they will close Sunday, December 24 and remain closed through Thursday, December 28. The Wolverine store and gas station will close Monday and Tuesday, December 25 and 26. Sandy's Cafe will be closed December 23-January 2, 1973. Pioneer Natural Gas and Southwestern Public Service will both close Friday, December 22 at noon and remain closed until Tuesday, December 26. The Springlake Cafe will close Saturday, December 23 at 2 p.m. through Christmas Day.

Punishment Too Severe, Dr. Edgar Says Former Residents In Cantata

BY: Ed Dawson, Secretary of local School Trustees

A hearing held by Dr. J.W. Edgar, Commissioner, State Board of Education, in the conference room of the Texas Education Agency building in Austin beginning at 10 a.m. Tuesday, December 19th, concluded shortly after 2:30 p.m. with his opinion that the disciplinary action taken against some S-E High School band students for absence from a night practice had been too severe. He further advised the Board of Trustees of S-E Schools and the appellants to return home and try to resolve mutually and satisfactorily a plan whereby the suspension could be lifted for the students desiring re-admission to the band. He also suggested a method whereby the students might earn a grade that would relieve the semester grade of 50 in band assessed to them by Mr. Ward Cooksey, High School Principal.

The appellants, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Holder, parents of Guy Lynn Davis, and Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Thomas, parents of Larry Thomas, were represented in Austin by their attorney, Mr. Louis M. Ratliff, Jr., of Littlefield. Their sons were two of the four students dropped from band by Mr. Cooksey on the morning of October 24th after the night before. Mr. Tom SoRelle, band director, imposed a nine-week suspension from band as a penalty for their absence. That suspension period would be expiring this week with the second nine-week period and the first semester ending as the Christmas holidays begin. Mr. Cooksey made the grade reduction as an added disciplinary measure.

Mr. and Mrs. Holder and Mrs. Thomas were present at the hearing, with both mothers being called as witnesses for additional testimony beyond that given in a hearing conducted by the Board of Trustees in a special meeting called at the parents request and held the night of November 6th at the Springlake-Earth School, in that hearing the Board upheld the decision of the School Administrators.

At the Austin meeting, both the parents and their attorney expressed disappointment that Dr. Edgar did not order removal of the grade penalty and possibly modify the length of the suspension. Dr. Edgar expressed the opinion that he did not have, or did not wish to exert, that authority but felt that the Board could and should devise a plan acceptable to the parents to work out that problem. If the Board could not, then the parents could appeal further, he stated. Dr. Edgar suggested also that considerable responsibility would fall on the boys' willingness to be re-admitted to the band program, and their cooperation in conforming to the rules and requirements imposed on all band students, and their ability to

conduct themselves in an exemplary manner.

The School Board was represented by Mr. Charles E. Cobb, attorney from Lubbock. Witnesses defending the School's position were Mr. SoRelle, Mr. Cooksey, and Mr. Jerry W. Kelley of Earth, president of the Board of Trustees.

In the course of questioning, Dr. Edgar expressed bafflement several times that the school was basing its defense on the position that band was wholly extra-curricular and outside the rules set forth in the Student Handbook, yet grades were determined in part by a student's participation in the out-of-class activities of the band and credits were given in fulfilling requirements for graduation. At various points in the proceedings, Dr. Edgar suggested to both Mr. SoRelle and Cooksey how they might have resolved the disciplinary problem in ways less drastic. He also called attention to rules in the Student Handbook which were being applied on one hand and other rules there which related to the issue were ignored. In the defenses' behalf, Mr. Cobb and others pointed out the authority vested in local school boards and administrators to make some disciplinary decisions in areas where no policies existed. As has been traditional with Dr. Edgar in previous rulings, he did not question the power vested in local boards and did not wish to usurp their role.

It was at this point that he made a strong suggestion to the board that it meet again and adopt proposals that would relieve the appellants of their complaint that the punishment was too severe.

Others present at the hearing

besides the court reporter were Mr. Chester Ollison, legal counsellor for Dr. Edgar; Mr. Richard Hooker, associate director of the Texas Association of School Boards, at Austin; Mr. William L. Mann, Supt., Springlake-Earth Schools; and board members, P.A. Washington, Jimmy Craft, Dwane Jones, and Ed Dawson; and Mrs. Norman Sulser and Mrs. Ardis Barton of Earth.

Tisa and Leslie Haberer, formerly of Earth, took part in the Cantata at the First Baptist Church in Plainview Sunday evening, December 17.

Tisa Haberer was a shepherd and Leslie played the drums. Dale Wheatley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Wheatley of Earth, now a student at Texas Tech, played the chimes. Mrs. Russell Haberer was the committee chairman for the cantata.

Attending the event were Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Davis and Mrs. Bonnie Haberer.

After the cantata, Mr. and Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Haberer had dinner in the home of the Russell Haberers and enjoyed a nice visit before returning home.

PARTY LINE

Mrs. Hershel Patterson is still at Galveston in St. Mary's Hospital, but is improved.

Snow Hampers Harvest

Heavy snow invades portions of the middle-south Plains area today, glazing highways and making driving dangerous. Band concert scheduled for Thursday evening had to be cancelled due to the weather. Approximately 2-3 inches of snow fell in the area. All

farm harvesting was at a standstill. However, Sunday, the sun came out and farmers were able to start stripping cotton and cutting maize. If the good weather continues, area farmers hope to get into full swing with cotton stripping and finish the grain harvest.



Christmas Joy, Peace

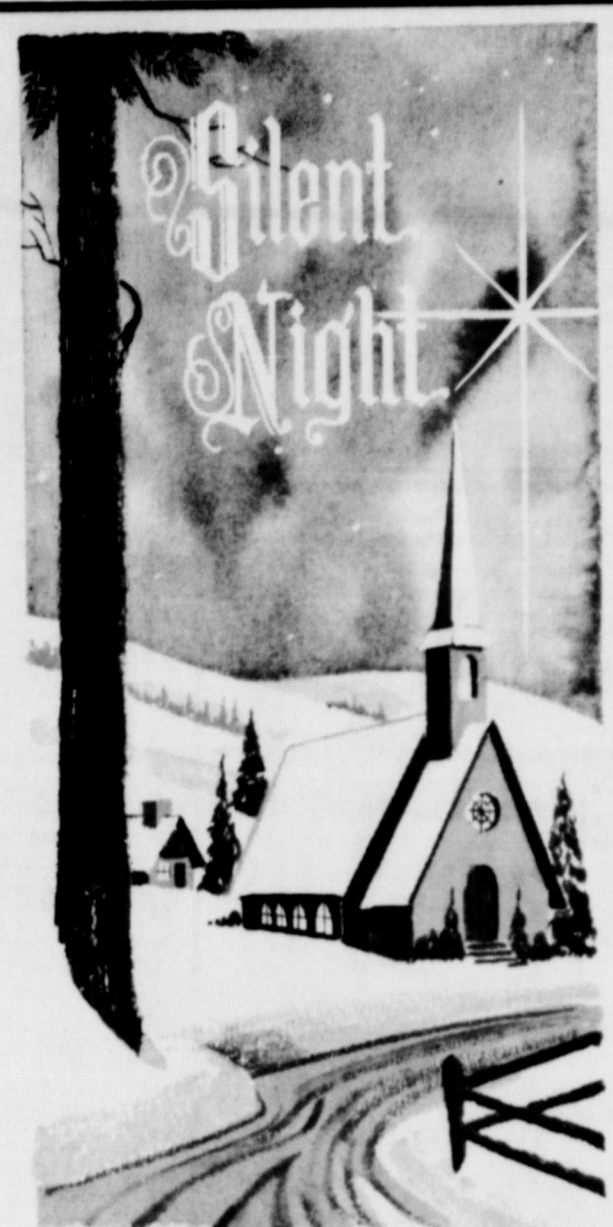
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Centre Has Busy Day

The Good Neighbors kept the Goodwill Centre Saturday, December 16. Mrs. A.W. Gover, Mrs. Earl Walker, and Mrs. R.C. Hyde were in charge. They report that they had a busy day Saturday taking in over \$5. The Centre will be closed December 23 and 30 for the Christmas holidays. It will be opened January 6 when the Home Demonstration Club will be in charge.

PARTY LINE

Mrs. Harold Fults of Hereford, spent the day Sunday with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Sanders. Pruda and her mother made Christmas candy.



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Mrs. Sanders Attends Tasting Tea

Mrs. Marvin Sanders attended a Tasting Tea Monday, December 18, in the Flame Room of the Pioneer Natural Gas Company in Hereford. The Tea was given by the Peak of the Panhandle Education Secretary's Association.

Each member brought her favorite recipe for the others to taste. If you liked a certain cake or candy, you could buy the recipe from the person who brought the dish.

The ladies brought an assortment of cakes, cookies, candies and salads. Coffee and hot spiced tea were also served.

The dishes were served buffet style from a table laid with a red cloth and featuring a beautiful Christmas centerpiece of red candles and greenery.

The individual tables were covered with red cloths with Christmas centerpieces.

A short business meeting was conducted by Mrs. Yvonne Simpson of Hereford. Mrs. Sanders presented a de-

lightful Christmas program entitled "The Little Lost Angel."

The Association made tentative plans for their annual "Bosses Banquet" to be held in January in Hereford.

4-H Club Has Christmas Party

The Springlake-Earth 4-H Club met at 6:30 p.m. Monday, December 18, in the Earth Show Barn.

The recent and up coming stock shows were discussed. The group spent the evening singing Christmas carols and playing games.

The recreation was led by Diana Jo Hampton.

A delicious assortment of Christmas cookies and punch were served by Judith Graham to the approximately 30 members who were present.

HAPPY HOLIDAY



MR. AND MRS. ARTHUR B. MILLER

Millers To Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Miller will be honored with a reception on their 50th wedding anniversary, Sunday, December 31, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the home of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Miller, Beverly and Janice, Miller and the former Beulah

Pigg were married December 24, 1922, in Erick, Oklahoma. They moved to Earth in 1932 where Mr. Miller was engaged in farming.

All friends of the couple are invited to attend the reception. No gifts please.

Shower Honors Janita Blackburn

A bridal shower honoring Miss Janita Blackburn, bride-elect of Captain Joe Blackwell, was given Saturday, December 16 from 2-4 p.m. in the home of Mrs. W.O. Jones.

The brides chosen colors of gold and yellow were used in arrangements throughout the entertaining room.

The guests registered in the bride's book which was on a table with a beautiful centerpiece of white and yellow roses. A miniature bride and groom were nestled in the roses.

The serving table was laid with a white lace cloth over satin. Crystal and silver appointments were used to serve individual white cake squares trimmed in yellow, nuts, mints, and punch.

The centerpiece was a beautiful circle of net and lace en-

tined with yellow roses and white beaded crystal leaves. Gold velvet bows formed the base for a white candelabrum holding five yellow tapers, topped with white and silver wedding bellis tied with pale yellow streamers.

Presiding at the serving table were Mrs. Danny Byers, Mrs. Bill Lucas, and Mrs. Donald Curtis.

The hostesses gifts included a Sunbeam Mixmaster, a Sunbeam electric iron and a set of crystal stem ware.

Out of town guests were: Mrs. H.E. Graham and Mrs. Mike Smith from Plainview; Mrs. Terry Ellison from Dimmitt; Mrs. Lowell McGill from Oton; Mrs. Beulah Measles and Mrs. T.C. Measles from Tulsa; Mrs. Bill Lucas and Miss Bobby Jan Blackburn both from Lubbock.

Hostesses for the event were: Mrs. J.J. Coker, Mrs. Raemon Cole, Mrs. John Laing, Mrs. Charles Haley, Mrs. L.H. Galloway, Mrs. G.H. Miller, Mrs. J.J. Davis, Mrs. Nellie Armstrong, Mrs. Lowell Walden, Mrs. Herb Wandborn, Mrs. Abe Griffin, Mrs. M.H. Been, Mrs. Hershel Hulcy, Mrs. Robert O'Hair, Mrs. Gene Brown, Mrs. Jimmy Shirey, Mrs. Almon Whitford, Mrs. Jimmy Ray Banks, Mrs. Ed Dawson, Mrs. Weldon Barton, Mrs. Phillip Haberer, Mrs. F. W. Bearden, Mrs. Melton Welch, Mrs. E.C. Hudson, Mrs. J.A. Littleton, Sr., Mrs. W.B. Hucks, Mrs. Donald Curtis, Mrs. Marshall Kelley, Mrs. Danny Byers, Mrs. James Busby, Mrs. John Bridges, Mrs. V.D. Padon, Mrs. Harlon Watson, Mrs. B. Campbell, Mrs. Howard Cummings, and Mrs. W.O. Jones.

Randolphs Host Party

Mr. and Mrs. Don Randolph were host for a Christmas party Saturday in their home.

A delicious dinner of turkey, ham, assorted salads and desserts were served from a table covered with a Santa Claus decorated cloth. Matching Santa cups, plates, and napkins were used.

After dinner the couples attending played games. Each person brought a gift which they exchanged.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Gayland Stephens, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bills, Mr. and Mrs. Lexie Branscum, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Koonz, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Townsend, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

NOTICE

Mr. and Mrs. Leon H. Dent and Mr. and Mrs. Orville M. Cleavinger invite you to the marriage uniting their children Carrisa Elaine to Michael Lynn on Saturday, December 23, at 7 p.m. in the evening at the United Methodist Church of Earth.

NOTICE

In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Grady David, Oakland, California, Mr. and Mrs. Juel Davis request the pleasure of your company Sunday, the twenty-fourth of December

from two until four at their home.

Because of the request of many friends who wanted to bring gifts to the "get acquainted" tea for newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Davis, selections have been made at

Party Line

Mrs. Cecil Slover had surgery at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock Friday. She is doing very well and hopes to come home today or tomorrow.



I would like to express my appreciation and deepest thanks to everyone for the many acts of kindness shown to me during the recent loss of my beloved wife.

Your kindness will be remembered always.

May God bless each of you.

C.L. Smelley

We would like to thank everyone for your kindness and love to us in the loss of our mother, Alice Smelley.

Thank you so much for the food, cards, and especially your prayers.

We will remember your acts of kindness and sympathy always.

May the Lord bless you, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Denton and family

Mr. and Mrs. L.H. Galloway and family

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The Rebekah Lodge had a short meeting Friday, December 15 and then went to Mule-
shoe for a Christmas supper. Those attending were Mrs. Henrietta Armstrong, Mrs. J. B. Thomas, Mrs. Jim Robbins, Mrs. Clyde Parish, and Mrs. Earl Walker.
MERRY CHRISTMAS

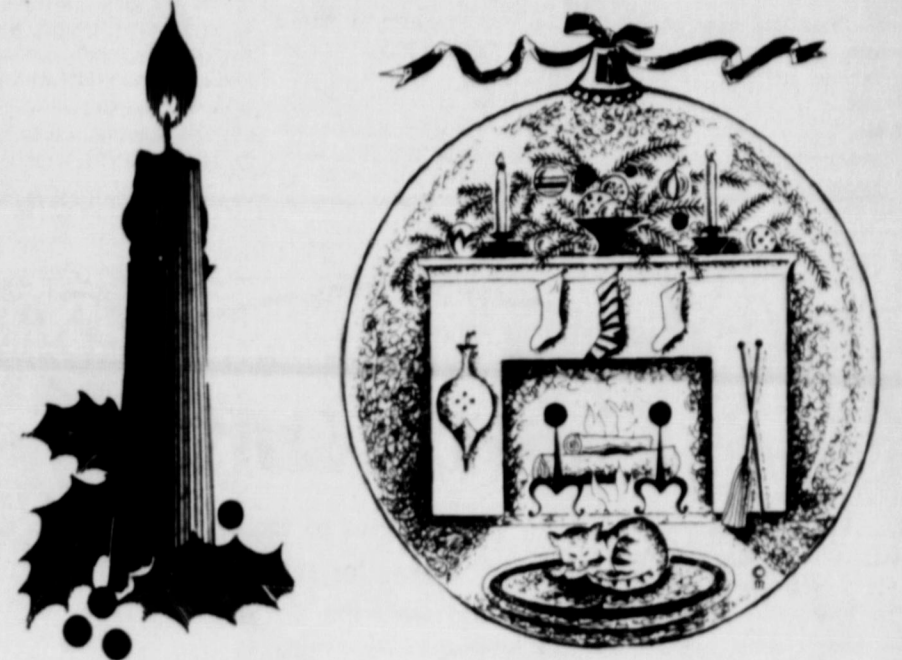
Three Local Girls Initiated Into Rainbow

Karen Hulcy, Lisa Pittman, and Pam Eagle were initiated into the Earth Order of Rainbow for Girls #156 in a formal initiation Monday night in the Masonic Hall. There were 13 Rainbow girls and 8 Eastern Stars and Masons present. Debbie Green, Worthy Advisor and Georgia Bahlman, Mother Advisor presided in the East. The Lodge Hall was decorated in the Christmas colors of purple. The East wall was draped with purple satin and net. The East wall pedestal was draped with red velvet. A Bible, opened to the Christmas story, lay on the pedestal. The Recorder's desk featured a Christmas candle with a decorative ring at the base. On the piano were Christmas angels. The West wall was draped from the ceiling to the floor with purple net. A white styrofoam Bible was nestled in the net. The Bible had a purple flower



LITTLE MICHELE JAYE seems to be saying, "Santa, leave my Daddy under the tree for Christmas." Holding Michele is her mother, Mrs. Tony Holmans. Tony is stationed with the U.S. Navy in Viet Nam.

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Leaders Surprise Brownie With Party

Brownie Troop 101 opened their meeting Tuesday, December 19 with the Living Circle. Vonda Stephens presented the flag and the pledge of allegiance was led by Tammy Landis. Joy Parish led the Brownies in the Promise and the Brownie Smile Song was led by Amy Gonzales. The leaders, Mrs. Don Randolph, Mrs. Gayland Stephens, Mrs. Walter Lackey, and Mrs. Dennis Criswell then surprised the girls with a Christmas party. Delicious Christmas cookies

Girl Scouts Make Christmas Gifts

The Earth Girl Scouts Troop 373, finished making their Christmas gifts for their mothers when they met Wednesday, December 13 at the Community Building.

by troop leaders, Mrs. Don Taylor, Mrs. Roosevelt Houston, Mrs. Joe Gonzales, and Mrs. Jerry Hampton.

Hood, Linda Hood, Jodie Daniel, Sylvia Gonzales, Teresa Lewis, JoAnn James, and Junior leaders, Dina Jo Hampton and Nollene Johnson.

Those attending the meeting were Teresa Ott, Sharon Spencer, Delma Gonzales, Gloria Price, Belinda Hampton, Rhonda Offield, Debra Houston, Patricia James, Doniece Taylor, Hattie Thomas, Beverly Hood, Debra Hood, Jackie

At their next meeting, they will have a Christmas party with their mothers as their special guests. Refreshments will be served

Bank Has Christmas Party

The employees of Citizens State Bank and their husbands and wives enjoyed a delicious dinner at the Muleshoe Country Club Friday, December 15. The room was decorated in

the Christmas theme.

There was a fire in the fire place and a Christmas tree stood in one corner of the room. The tables were covered with white cloths and had red candle centerpieces.

Delicious hors d'oeuvres were served before the steak dinner.

Those attending the party were: Mr. and Mrs. Macky McCarty, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gossett, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Smith, Mrs. Ann Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Rutherford, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Glasscock, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Tunnell, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Phipps and a guest Maken Body.

Brownies Finish Christmas Gifts

The Springlake Brownies, Troop 308, finished making their Christmas gifts for their mothers Tuesday, December 19, when they met at the Springlake Community Building.

The gifts were pictures of the girls in a strained drapery ring with the hook used as the easel. The remainder of the meeting was spent playing games and singing Christmas carols.

Refreshments of cup cakes decorated with candy canes and Cokes were served to Kari Neinst, Cheryl King, Sheryl Clayton, Laura Romoz, Jennifer Pellham, and leaders Mrs. Phil Neinst and Mrs. Donald Clayton.

FHA Has Party

The Springlake-Earth Future Homemakers had their annual Christmas Party Wednesday, December 13 after school in the Home Ec Cottage.

The girls had refreshments of cookies and punch in the parlor and exchanged gifts.

They sang Christmas carols and talked about what they want for Christmas and what they plan to do through the holidays.

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O Holy Night

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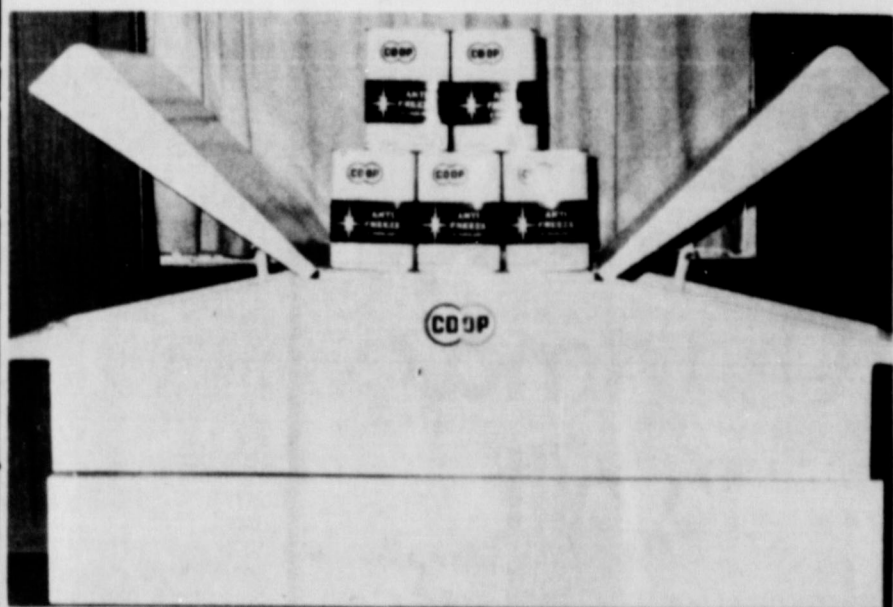
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Wolverines Lose To Bovina

The Springlake-Earth Wolverines lost to Bovina Friday, December 15, by a score of 65-47. Bovina led Springlake all the way. Denny McCain was high point man for Bovina with 25 points. Larry Thomas scored 16 for S-E. Brian Sanderson made 10 points; Hal Wood made 8; Guy Lynn Davis, 5; Bob Cleavinger, 4; Jacob Miller, 2; and Doug Jones, 2. Tuesday night, December 19

the Wolverines lost to Vega 52-41. Scoring for S-E were Bob Cleavinger, high point man, with 12 points; Larry Thomas and Brian Sanderson, both with 8; Hal Wood, 6; Brian Britton, 3; Jacob Miller, 2; and Guy Davis, 2. The "B" team boys played Vega Tuesday night and won 35-26. Junior Susada was high point man with 12 points; John Cleavinger scored 11; Lupe Flores, 8;

Edwin Fulfer, 2; and Dan Merriott, 2.

WOLVERETTES WIN ONE, LOSE ONE

The Wolverettes beat Bovina Friday night in a thrilling double over time game, 53-45. At the end of the first quarter, the S-E girls led 18-14. At the end of the first half, Bovina was within one point of the Wolverettes 30-29. At the end of the 3rd quarter, S-E led 33-30. At the end of the regular game, the score was tied 41-



SHEPHERDS AND WISE MEN herald the birth of Christ in the scene at the Dog Lewis home, 2nd place winner in the Chamber of Commerce Lighting Contest.

S-E Employees Have Turkey Dinner

Saturday, December 16, at 7 p. m., all the employees of the Springlake-Earth Schools gathered in the school cafeteria for a delicious turkey and dressing dinner with all the trimmings. The serving table featured a beautiful Christmas centerpiece. Wayne Anderson led the group in the singing of favorite Christmas carols after dinner. There were approximately 100 S-E employees and their families attending.



BEST WISHES FOR CHRISTMAS

Santa's got a bagful of happy wishes for all of you. And we'd like to join in with our thanks!

WE WISH YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

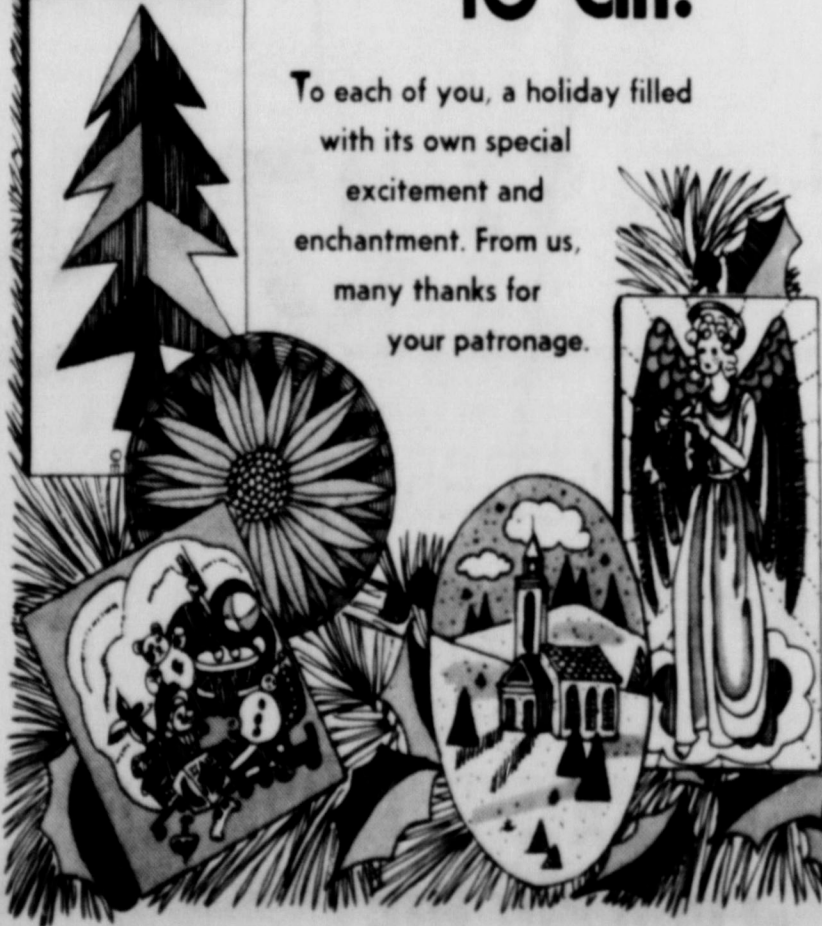
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Merry Christmas to all!

To each of you, a holiday filled with its own special excitement and enchantment. From us, many thanks for your patronage.



EARTH ELEVATOR

I Dream A Dream

By DAVID HARTMAN



I dream a dream of peace. Yes, "peace on earth, good will toward men." Could I paraphrase that to read, "peace in Earth, good will toward each other."

Am I too idealistic to dream that kind of dream? Surely we must all work toward bringing our ideals into the realm of reality. More and more my prayer is the same as Saint Francis of Assisi:

"Lord, make me an instrument of thy Peace, Where there is hatred, let me sow love,

Where there is injury, pardon; Where there is doubt, faith; Where there is despair, hope; Where there is darkness, light; Where there is sadness, joy."

Perhaps at no other time during the year than Christmas our thoughts turn toward peace. I want peace in our world. I want peace in our nation, I want peace in our community, and I want everyone to be at peace with himself and God.

The eternal question is how is this peace achieved? What can I do to help make it reality rather than wishful thinking? Strictly speaking from the human perspective we might try communicating with each other better. Do we really and truly try to understand each other? Or is our attitude the "don't-confuse-me-with-the-facts-because-my-mind-is-already-made-up" type?

To really understand someone else we must try as best we can to look at life, events, and circumstances from his perspective. This includes when that person's opinion differs, perhaps drastically, from mine.

Somehow we must learn the art of isolating the issues from the persons involved as much as possible. This is so much easier said than done.

Communication involves talking it out together truthfully and realistically. I believe it is possible to discuss controversial issues face to face without fighting verbally or fistfully.

Talking it out involves listening to what the other person is saying—even if we initially disagree. Do we really hear what people are trying to tell us? Or are we too busy formulating our rebuttal?

To be an instrument of peace requires a great deal. To be God's instrument of peace costs Jesus his life. Was it worth it? Did he achieve peace in the world? No. He did not, at least not the kind of peace the world wants—absence of war and conflict. Yet, He did leave peace. In John 14:27, Jesus said, "I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart: And the peace I give isn't fragile like the peace the world gives. So don't be troubled or afraid."

Peace of mind and heart is my dream for every person. As individuals find peace of mind and heart through Christ, ideally it should make a difference in his inter-personal

Tuesday night, December 19 the girls played Vega and lost 29-36. Shirley Richardson scored 24 points for Vega.

Lisa Morgan scored 15 points for the Wolverettes. Gay Ellis scored 8; Diane Fulfer scored 5; and Toni Sanders scored 1.

The Springlake-Earth teams will play in a tournament at Farwell December 28, 29, and 30.

After the first two minutes overtime, the score was again tied 45-45.

The Wolverettes showed a surge of highly spirited playing in the second two minute overtime and pulled ahead by 8 points making the final score 53-45.

High point girl for S-E was Gay Ellis with 23 points. Lisa Morgan was next with 19 points; Toni Sanders scored 7 points and Darlene Sulser scored 4.

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1973 License Plate Renewal Applications To Be Mailed Soon

Do you hate waiting in long lines? Do you prefer to think of the upcoming license plate renewal season as a relief from the thought of near-millions of vehicles being renewed in Texas this year?

If you can't wait, you can cheat up. The Vehicle Division of the Texas Highway Department will be mailing out renewal applications for 1973 license plates only after Christmas.

Vehicle owners who wish to avoid the long lines can simultaneously return the entire application by mail to the tax assess-

ment collector in their home counties with the registration fee of \$1 per vehicle for handling and mailing.

There are three things to remember:

1. Leave the handy three-part form intact. Don't separate the three parts.
2. Mail it to the county tax office in your home county. (Mailing to the Highway Department will only delay your getting your 1973 plates.)
3. Be sure to include your registration fee plus an additional \$1 for each automobile to be registered by mail.

You may apply for your license plates by mail after January 1. However, county tax offices won't be sending the license plates until after February 1. You should allow 30 days from the time you apply for the license plates to be returned.

The 1973 plates must be displayed on your vehicle by April 1.

In-person registration will begin at county tax offices and, in some counties, special substations on February 1. Even though the automated registration application has speeded up the registration process, the waiting lines will grow progressively longer by the March 31 cutoff date.

Christmas

It came upon the midnight clear, That glorious song of old,
From an angel bending near the earth, To touch their harps of gold,
Peace on the earth, good will to men, From heaven's all-gracious King,
The world in solemn stillness lay To hear the angels sing.

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"IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR" may have been a favorite carol of Henry Ford and his wife Clara (Bryant), for they sent this greeting card, bearing the song written by Edmund H. Sears. From the Hallmark Historical Collection.

Rep. Bill Clayton Resigns Post With Water, Inc.

LUBBOCK--State Rep. Bill Clayton, executive director of Water, Inc., since early 1969, has resigned the post with the regional water development promotional organization effective Dec. 31. His letter of resignation was handed to members of the Water, Inc., executive committee and board of directors at a meeting in Lubbock today.

"It is with regrets that we accept Mr. Clayton's resignation," Gaston Wells of Dumas, president of Water, Inc., said. "He has done an outstanding job in the almost four years with our organization. He is a recognized leader, both statewide and nationally, in the field of water resource development and through his leadership,

Water, Inc., has become a respected and effective influence. His efforts in our behalf have been instrumental in moving us toward our ultimate goal--adequate future water for all," Wells said, and added, "we wish him every success in his new pursuits."

Clayton, who resides at Springlake in Lamb County where he has extensive farming interests, has served in the Texas House of Representatives since 1962. In his letter of resignation he said that "there are other areas of endeavor he must now attempt," but declined to enumerate his future plans at this time other than to say that they are in the political realm.

During his tenure at the executive post of the regional water promotional organization conflicting views within Water Inc., have been reconciled into a united effort for a water development program to assure future water for all of West Texas and Eastern New Mexico, membership in the non-profit corporation has almost doubled and the operating budget has more than doubled. Clayton predicted Water, Inc., would continue to grow as it looks to what he called "the challenge ahead."

Clayton has been a leading exponent of sensible and systematic development of water resources. He has either sponsored or co-sponsored every major water bill that has come before the Texas Legislature during his ten years in the House of Representatives. Among these are measures leading to a comprehensive water development program to assure adequate future water supplies for all Texas citizens, and the TEXAS WATER CODE, a massive recodification of the state's water laws into a single act. He has served on virtually all legislative water study committees during his tenure. Currently Clayton serves as chairman of the Interstate Conference on Water Problems, a national organization made up of elected and appointed water officials from the various states. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Texas Water Conservation Association and the West Texas Advisory Committee to the Texas Water Development Board.

OUR MEN
IN SERVICE

PVT. WILLIAM T. HENSON
FT. POLK, LA--Now, Army Private William T. Henson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Henson, of Littlefield, recently completed eight weeks of basic training at the U.S. Army Training Center, Infantry, Ft. Polk, La.

He received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, combat tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions. He received the training with Company D, 4th Battalion of the 2nd Brigade.

The 23-year-old soldier is a 1968 graduate of Littlefield High School.

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Electronics Assembler Course Scheduled at South Plains

South Plains College will be conducting a two weeks course in training Electronic assemblers beginning Tuesday, December 26. Training will be conducted at Litton Industries in Lubbock, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There is no charge to persons interested in taking the course. The training is being conducted for employment upon completion of the course. To qualify for the program, persons must take an aptitude exam administered through the Texas Employment commis-

sion in Lubbock. Forty persons are needed for the training which begins December 26. For further information, interested persons should contact either the Office of Continuing Education at South Plains College or the Texas Employment Commission in Lubbock.

England's Henry V lifted the siege of Rouen just long enough to permit food to get through for a Christmas celebration.

There is no record of Jesus' birthdate. Some early church scholars urged that it be celebrated in January. Others pressed for March, April, or September. If, as Luke reports, shepherds were in the fields at night watching over their flocks, the Nativity must have occurred during a warm season. In winter, the sheep slept in folds.

The Star shone brightly to welcome the Newborn Babe. May your Christmas be filled with the Light of His Love.

Greetings

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our many friends and customers and to invite all of you who have not been over to see us to come in and look around.

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on
Earth...

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of love and goodwill.
May people the
world over share
in its joys.



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**Local Families
Make Plans
For Christmas**

Smythie, Sherry, and Robin Lawrence will spend Christmas in Lubbock with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Irons. Joining them will be Smythie's mother, Mrs. Dodavah Lawrence and Sherry's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Hinsley. Hinsley is just back from a tour of duty in Germany with the U.S. Army.

Mr. and Mrs. Quentin Dunn will have their daughters home for the holidays; Lanette Shaver and Scott from Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Self and family from Slaton.

Rev. and Mrs. David Hattman and family will spend Christmas Day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M.W. Hattman in Lockney. They will leave the day after Christmas to go to Dallas where they will spend



PAGE AND LACY LAYMAN, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Truman Layman, look like two little angels who can hardly wait until Santa comes.

the remainder of the week visiting Mrs. Hattman's mother, Mrs. Lucy Sparkman.

Lexie, John, Glenn, Dawn, and Wendy Branscum will spend Christmas Eve with the Thurlo Branscums and Christmas Day with the W.C. Maxceys.

The Jerry Bardens will have their family together for Christmas; Linda and Gary Ray from Lubbock; Jerry Lynn will be home from Texas Tech; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn McClesky, the Sam Bardens and girls, and Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Largent from Lubbock.

Dr. Robert Holdren, Glen and Barbara from Boise, Idaho, will spend the holidays with the J.L. Hinsons.

On Christmas Day the family will all get together at the Kenneth Hinsons. Those

attending will be Mr. and Mrs. Earl Parish and Robin from Dimmitt, Susan Parish, who attends school at Boise, Idaho, Mrs. Emma Rhodes, Mrs. Mable Vore, Mrs. Myrtle Bentley, Mrs. Laura Holland, all of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holland, Melissa and Ginger, Mr. and Mrs. David Holland all of Lubbock.

Harold and LuAnn Britton will have their family together for Christmas. Beverly will be home from Plainview and Janet will be home from South Plains College.

The Macky McCarty's will spend Christmas Eve with her folks, the J.D. Phipps. Also, planning to be there will be Bob Phipps and Mr. and Mrs. Randall Crawford and daughter, Kimberly of Lubbock. On

Christmas Day, the McCarty's will go to Lubbock to be with his folks, Mr. and Mrs. D.E. McCarty.

Mrs. Leta Kelley will spend Christmas with her daughter

and family, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Doggett, Petri and Jerri of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert O'Hair will have all their children and grandchildren home for Christmas; Robert Dwan from Dimmitt, Doyce and Betty Joyce Waddell and children from Lazbuddie; Anita and Richard Stevens from Taff; Shirley and LaVerne Vaughn and family

and Perry Don all from Lubbock. The William P. Holland family will spend Christmas in Amherst with Mr. and Mrs. William P. Holland, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Sandoz will celebrate Christmas with their family, Sandy, Vicki, Jeff and DeLynn Sandoz. Liano and Pruda and Harold Fufts of Hereford.

Greetings

It come upon a
midnight clear... as
angels' voices heralded
the birth of our dear
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School Finance Plan To New Board

The State Board of Education passed along to the new 24-member Board a committee report proposing far-reaching alterations in public school finance.

The Board at a special meeting accepted the committee version of a comprehensive foundation school program but delayed formal approval. The largely-new Board takes over January 13.

Board Chairman Ben Howell of El Paso said the report seems to meet requirements of a 1971

MawMaw's house at Earth.

I want two real special presents this year, a walking doll and a picture of you and Mrs. Claus together.

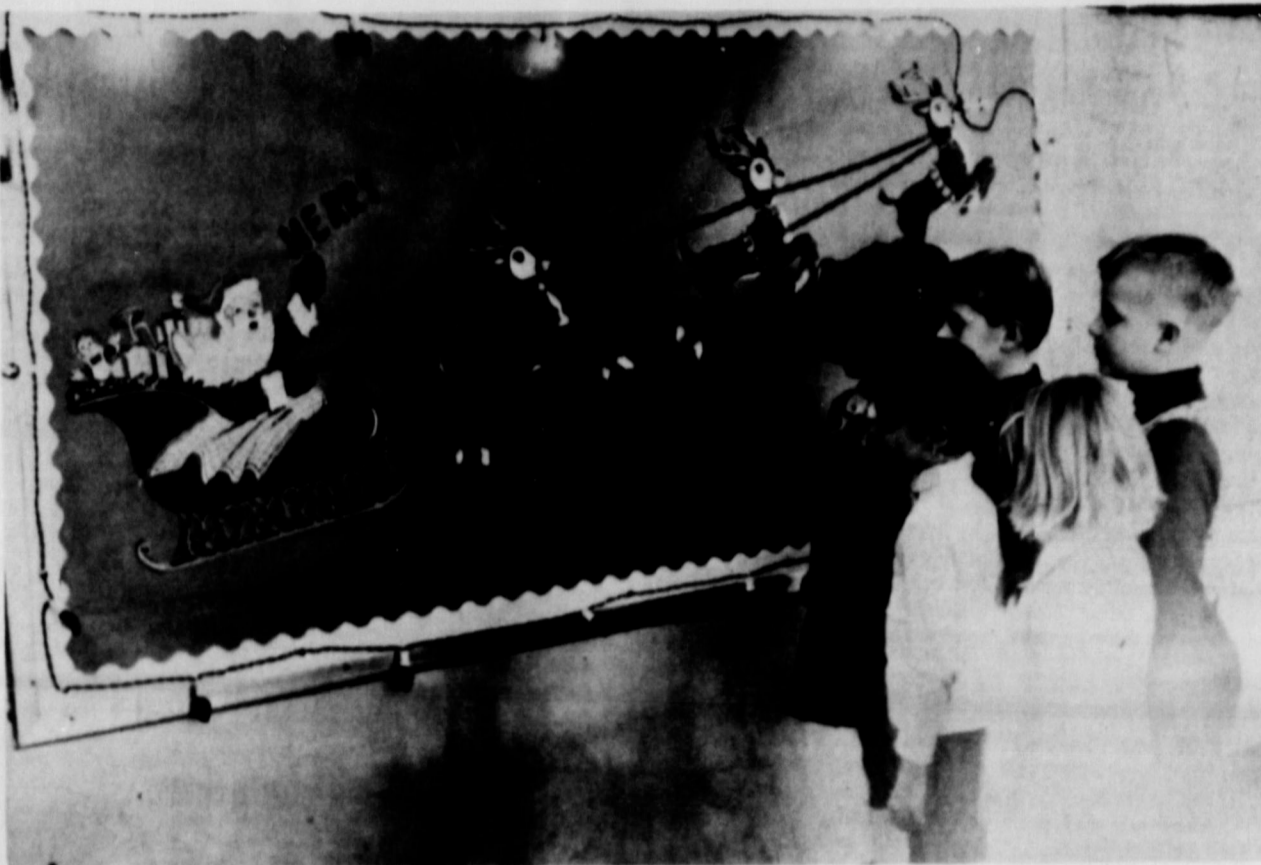
Good-bye for now. I love you very much, and I will try to see next week.

Your friend,
Vera Gay Pierson

federal district court ruling invalidating the present system of financing schools.

Under the committee plan, the new foundation school program would be financed completely from state revenue by 1978-79. The local share of program costs would be gradually reduced from 20 per cent in 1973-74 to zero in 1978-79. A variety of other proposals for altering finance formulas are included in the seven major committee recommendations.

Texas State Teachers Association has come up with its own plan to meet thrust of the federal court decision. The TSTA program would cost \$2 billion for the next school year, as compared with \$1.4 billion for the plan before the State Board. The latter represents an increase of \$201 million over the 1972-73 minimum foundation program costs.



***** THE JOYS OF CHRISTMAS Shine through these children's faces as they admire "Ole Santa." They are students in Mrs. Edd Haley's 3rd grade. Randy Offield, Jeffrey Jones, Janice Beck, Laura Romo, and Leann Haberer.

Letters to



Santa Claus

Santa Claus,

I have been extra nice this year. If it don't bother you I would like a bicycle, a cowboy, a pair of walkie-talkies, a toy rocket, a little

tractor, a little race car set, and little trucks. An this year I will leave you some milk and cookies.
P. S. Have a jolly good Christmas.
Love,
Terry Lowater

Dear Santa,

I want a doll, and snoopy tooth brush and two surprises.
From,
Jennifer Wood
I love you
North Pole Information

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you, fine I hope. I



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Have a jolly good Christmas.
Hot Hot Hot
Love,
Rodney

Dear Santa,

I have been a pretty good boy my mother said.
Will you please bring me a truck and some more toys.
Please remember all the other boys and girls.
Have a very Merry Christmas.
I love you,
Ty Don Lively

Dear Santa,

I tried to be a good boy all year.
I hope you will bring me some toys. I would like for you to bring me a SSP Crashup.
Please remember all the other boys and girls.
Have a very Merry Christmas.
I love you,
Todd Lively

Dear Santa Clause,

I want a 3-speed bicycle and a gold ring with red sets. I love you and a body suit.
Love,
Melinda

Dear Santa,

I want a lot of clothes and toys. I don't know what I want specifically, because I like everything I see. But there is one thing I want for sure; some red ruffle panties. I have been a very good girl. I promise!
Love,
Slick

Dear Santa,

How are you doing, hope you don't have a cold. I am fine. Here is what I want. A portable radio and some match box cars.
Your friend,
Lance Phelps

Dear Santa,

I wrote a littel crying doll and I wrote a baby tenyelope and a babygoby-by. And I wrote a sweetcooking doll for Christmas. I bin goo and a little bat some time. Merry Christmas to you Santa and a happy New year.
From,
Jean Smith

Dear Santa,

I want a football set and a tape recorder and a Scittle pool and Monday night football and pivot pool and a Rams football suit and a Vikings football suit.
Your friend,
Dave Cleavinger

Dear Santa,

I want you to bring me a timey tell and a game and a doll that grow hair and that all and I wish you a Merry Christmas and I want you to bring my me a doll and that is all I geat for you and I wish you a Merry Christmas
Susann Perez

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? How is your wife? I am trying to be nice. I would like a Baby Tender Love if you have one, and if you run out of those, I would like a doll with a wig to style.
My mother likes the little stuffed dog named "Henry."

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To All

TO ALL,
A JOYOUS
GREETING

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Springlake

Local Families Make Plans For Christmas

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Walker plan to have their family home for Christmas. Coming from Dallas will be Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Griffis, Virgil Griffis, and Billy Glenn Griffis.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Brewer and children will be here from Cameron.

Mary Nell Walker and Angie Nell Walker will come from Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Petty and Johnny Phillips from Odessa will also be guests in the Earl Walker home.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Simmons and Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas of Earth will be joining them.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Neinst will have as their guests over the Christmas holidays Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Neinst from Hyder, Arizona. They plan to spend Christmas Eve in the home of Mrs. Neinst's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Whittington of Olton. Also during the holidays the Neinsts plan to drive to Portales, New Mexico and visit Mrs. E. E. Parkey, grandmother of Neinst.

The Wayne Rutherford will have all their children home on Christmas Day; Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Louder and boys from Flagg; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fuller and family from Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Mrs. Wayne Mae Cooper and family from Lubbock.

The boys answered the roll call with what they want for Christmas. Refreshments of cookies and Kool-Aid were served by Delwin Bulls.

The meeting was closed with the living circle. Those attending were: Greg Hulcy, Mark Parish, Rocky Lunsford, Randy Offield, Lorenzo Maxreal, Maurice Hood, Delwin Bulls, Duke Hampton, Joe Rosalez, Victor Houston, Terry Conner, adult leaders, Mrs. Phil Neinst and Mrs. Bill Lunsford and Lonnie Neinst.

Lynn and Jill Hamilton will be home for Christmas making it a very happy holiday for their parents, the Pat McCords and Beryl Hamiltons. Lynn is with the U.S. Army stationed in Germany. He will have two weeks at home and Jill will be staying about 4 weeks.

The Perry Martins and Johnny Martins and Debby will have Christmas dinner together. Debby is home for the holidays from A.C.C.

The Johnny Enloes will have their family home for the hol-

idays. Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Enlow and son Daniel will come from Odessa. Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Enlow from Amherst and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Enlow from Littlefield will join them for Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Houston Stephens plan to fly to Santa Rosa to spend Christmas with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Benson.

Mr. and Mrs. Babe Prather will have two of their daughters and their families home for the holidays; Mr. and Mrs. Sandy Sanders from Llano and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Larkin from Hereford.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Clayton and family and Mr. and Mrs. Rex Clayton will go to Bovina Christmas evening to visit with the Jack Claytons.

Cubs Continue Work On Gifts

The Cub Scouts continued to work on the Christmas gifts for their parents when they met Wednesday, December 13 in the Scout Hut.

Victor Houston led the Cubs in the Promise and Delwin Bulls led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The boys answered the roll call with what they want for Christmas.

Refreshments of cookies and Kool-Aid were served by Delwin Bulls. The meeting was closed with the living circle.

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Mrs. Gladys Parish returned home Sunday after a six week visit with her son and family, the Denny Parishes of Charleston, South Carolina. She reports that she had a wonderful time and that the temperature was around 82 degrees, but it's great to be back home on the Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Parish and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Drake just returned from California where they spent Thanksgiving and enjoyed visiting with their daughter, granddaughters, and brother.



HELLO WORLD

Mr. and Mrs. Denny Parish are happy to announce the birth of a lovely daughter, Heather Denee, born December 11 at the Naval Hospital in Charleston, South Carolina. The little lass tipped the scales at 7½ pounds and measured 20 inches in height.

The Parishes have a son, Matthew, age 4. Grandparents of the baby are Mrs. Gladys Parish of Earth and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Smith of Dinuba, California.

Great grandparents are Mrs. Emma Smith of Orange Cove, California and Mrs. Ada McMullen of Dinuba.

Parish is with the United States Navy stationed in Charleston, on the Mine Sweep, USS Fidelity.

Roping Club Has Party

The Earth Roping Club and their families had a Christmas party Friday evening, December 15 at the community building.

They enjoyed a delicious salad supper and then had an evening of fun playing forty-two.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Lexie Branscum, Mr. and Mrs. Gayland Stephens, Mr. and Mrs. Don Randolph, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Kootz, Mr. and Mrs. Fisher Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Price Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kellar, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Townsend, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Carpenter.

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Local Ministers Present Program To Modern Family Living Class

Tuesday, December 19 the Modern Family Living classes at S-EHS heard a panel discussion on problems of today.

The panel consisted of Mike Wilson, minister of the Springlake church of Christ; Glenn Smith, pastor of the Springlake First Baptist Church; Charles Dunnam, Pastor of the Earth United Methodist Church; David Hartman, pastor of the Earth First Baptist Church; and Quentin Dunn, minister of the Earth church of Christ.

The panel discussed Christian principles as applied to abortion, euthanasia, mercy-killing, divorce, and re-marriage.

The classes also wanted to hear the ministers reactions to the Jesus Movement and teenage marriages.

Bro. Charles Dunnam served as moderator for the panel and Mrs. J. J. Coker was class supervisor in the absence of Mrs. Cecil Slover, who recently had surgery in Lubbock.

Mrs. Kelley Hosts Party For Rainbow Girls

Mrs. Donald Kelley honored the Rainbow Girls with a Christmas Party Sunday afternoon, December 17, from 2-4 p.m. in her home.

The girls played games and sang Christmas carols.

They presented the Rainbow Mother Advisor, Georgia Bahlman, with a gift. Also, Mrs. Kelley, was presented a gift by the girls.

The girls then all exchanged gifts.

Mrs. Kelley told the beautiful Christmas story "The Other Wise Man" by Henry Van Dyke. Refreshments of Christmas cookies, peppermint candy and punch were served from a table laid with a green cloth with a lovely centerpiece of candles and Christmas balls, Christmas plates, cups, and napkins were used.

Each girl was presented a Christmas song book and an address book. There were 18 girls present.

Mrs. Donald Clayton assisted with the hospitalities.

Elaine Bills Hosts Party

Fifteen six grade students met after school Friday, December 15 in the home of Elaine Bills

for a Christmas party. The house was decorated throughout with Christmas decorations.

Delicious Christmas cookies and candies and Cokes were served.

The girls enjoyed singing Christmas carols and exchanging gifts.

The remainder of the time was spent visiting and playing in the snow.

Those attending the party were Lindsey Field, Carrie Barden, DeAnne Clayton, Lisa Pittman, Christie Pittman, Laurinda Bulls, Rosie Lewis, Petra Lewis, Beth Pounds, Belinda Hampton, Mona Price, Vicki Dunnam, Donice Taylor, Susie Lunsford, and the hostess, Elaine Bills.

Merry Christmas

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Peace on Earth...

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Families and friends, young and old, come together during this season to rejoice at His birth. We join together to offer thanks!

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SUNNYSIDE NEWS

By TEENY BOWDEN



Bob Ball was admitted to Littlefield Hospital Saturday morning. Mrs. Noble Armstrong and her sister, Mrs. Marvel, to her home in Brown last Sunday after she had several days with them. Mrs. King of Amarillo and Wednesday afternoon his mother Mrs. Irving. He came back for her for the holidays. and Mrs. E.R. Sadler in Lubbock Wednesday through Saturday with son, Dr. and Mrs. Myles and Gregory. Ezell Sadler, Mrs. Cliff, and Mrs. L. B. Bowden with Mrs. Pearl Sadler, Dimmitt Monday afternoon, and Mrs. Lloyd Blanton through Wednesday with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Bradley and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dixon. Mr. and Mrs. David Blair,

there. Junior Sauseda was one of the four Springlake-Earth sophomores scoring in the upper 89 or above percent on the national education development test recently. Mr. and Mrs. Ezell Sadler visited in Hale Center Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Ercell Keeler. Mrs. Keeler had been hospitalized for three weeks. The RA's and GA's presented a Christmas program to the residents of the Golden Spread Nursing Home Saturday afternoon. The RA's also presented to each a gift of a miniature bouquet. The Baptist Women provided refreshments and a record album of sacred songs. Rev. and Mrs. Harry Harris of Weatherford visited last Saturday through Wednesday with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Bradley and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dixon. Mr. and Mrs. David Blair,

Bruce and Jeff moved from the community to Dallas Saturday. They were honored with a going away reception and presented a money tree last Sunday night after the services in the Fellowship Hall. About two inches of snow was received Thursday to bring another .20 inch of moisture. Monday we had a trace from freezing drizzle, snow and sleet. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ivey spent the week-end in Abilene with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Milburn Haydon spent the week-end in Weatherford to have an early Christmas dinner with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Haydon. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phelan were hosts for a class Christmas dinner involving the three older Sunday School classes Sunday in their homes. Those present were Rev. and Mrs. Mack

Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Noble Armstrong, Mrs. Irving King, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Bills, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Sadler, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Louder, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Lefevre, Mrs. Ezell Sadler, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ott and Noah Spencer. Mrs. Gerald Graham and Mrs. Ed Dawson sang solos in the choir Christmas Cantata in the First United Methodist Church in Earth Sunday night. The Christmas skit "The Seventh Christmas" was presented in the Sunnyside church Sunday night. Mrs. R. J. Lefevre was the over all director. Her assistants were Mrs. Phillip Jones, Mrs. Bill Morgan, Mrs. Jerry James, and Mrs. Glen Wilson. Gale Sadler had charge of the sound equipment, Vernon Orr stage construction, and Larry Sadler and Cliff Brown lights. Mrs. Gale Sadler was the pianist. Carl Bradley directed the choir. Soloists were Roy Jones and Debbie Wilson. Mrs. Cliff Brown read the story to a group of children on the stage. Dancan Wilson played the part of Mary at the manger scene. Kent Bradley portrayed the seven year old Jesus. Brenda Lefevre played his mother. Several younger children were angels and ushers, shepherds and king's attendants. Older

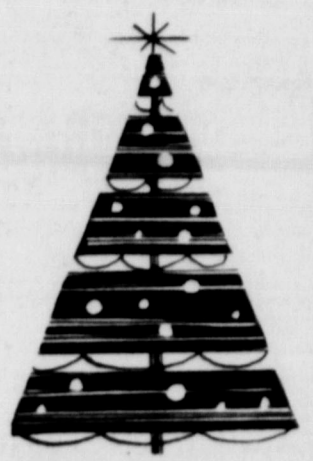
boys were kings and the angel Gabriel. After the program people placed love gifts on the Christmas tree in Fellowship Hall. Refreshments were served to all. Treats were given to the children. The RA's and GA's presented the program they had presented to the nursing home Saturday afternoon. Visitors included Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Elkins of Olton and J. B. Hensley of Hale Center. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phelan visited with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Phelan in Fieldton Thursday. The Lion's Club sponsored a turkey shoot Sunday afternoon south of the gin property. Mr. and Mrs. Winston Waggoner entertained in their home Saturday night with a Christmas party. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nutt, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. Don Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Killingsworth, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hodges all of Dimmitt and Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Lilley of the community. The children stayed with their grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Eules Waggoner. Mr. and Mrs. John Gilbreath and boys attended the 7th grade basketball tournament in Canyon Tuesday. Coby plays on the team. Mrs. Ray Joe Riley and Mrs.

John Bridges played bridge with their club in Dimmitt Thursday in the home of Mrs. Shirley Wise. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Joe Riley and boys were in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Morrison Saturday night for a birthday supper honoring their mother, Mrs. Ira Scott on her birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Grady Herrington of Farwell visited Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Winston Waggoner and family. Baptist Women met for the Current Mission program and Mission Action program combined Wednesday night. Mrs. E. R. Sadler had charge of Mission Action and Mrs. Alton Louder had charge of Current Mission. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Joe Riley were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Riley of Dimmitt at the Duplicate Bridge Tournament in Hereford Tuesday night. Scott Bagley of Dimmitt visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Joe Riley, Kevin and Jodie. J. B. Hensley of Hale Center visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Sadler, Mr. and Mrs. Gale Sadler and girls and Mr. and Mrs. Ezell Sadler.

Lazbuddie Man Killed

Joe Signor Kimbrough of Route 3, Lazbuddie, was killed Thursday night, December 14, when his station wagon was in collision with the rear of a truck on icy, fog-shrouded Texas 214 five miles north of Muleshoe. Kimbrough was pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace, Morris Nowlin, of Muleshoe. The truck driver, Willie B. Holland of Morton, escaped injury. The fog was so thick that visibility was less than 50 feet at the time of the accident. Officers said the truck was proceeding at a slow rate because he was unable to get traction on the icy road. Officers who investigated the accident said they could go no faster than 10 m.p.h. because of the fog and icy conditions. Funeral services for Kimbrough 37, were held Saturday, December 16 at 3 p.m. in the Richland Hills Baptist Church at Muleshoe. The Rev. Lynn Stephens, of Camden, Arkansas, and the Rev. Leland Callaway of Magnolia, Arkansas, officiated and burial was in Bailey County

Memorial Park. Kimbrough was born in Clovis, New Mexico, and had lived in Lazbuddie all his life. He was a farmer and a member of the Morton Sheriff's Possee. Survivors include his wife; four sons, Chris, Chet, Bret and Joe Signor II, all of the home; four daughters, Debbie, Deann, Denise and Lisa, all of the home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Finis Kimbrough of Muleshoe; and two sisters, Mrs. Ed Nichols of Muleshoe and Mrs. B. J. Houd of Lubbock.



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and Mrs. Elvis Clayton Delhart spent the week-end visiting their daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Perry Martin is still recuperating at home and is feeling better each day. Claude Barden is in the Littlefield Hospital; she hopes to come home this week.

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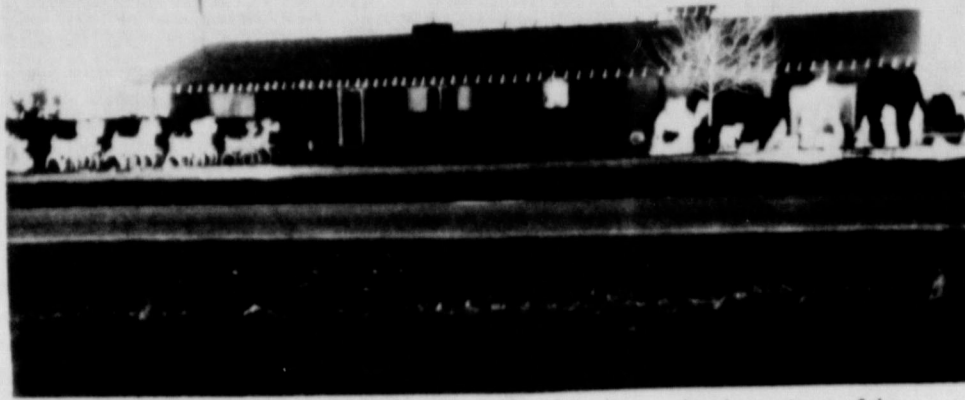
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LAZBUDDIE NEWS...

BY: Tisha Watson

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Williams and children are spending the Christmas Day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Williams, Lorenzo, Texas. They plan to spend Sunday with her parents, Elder and Mrs. Kenneth Martin

of Progress.

The community expresses deepest sympathy to the bereaved of Sig Kimbrough, Kimbrough, a long time resident of Lazbuddie, Muleshoe area, was killed in a car, truck accident Thursday evening of last week.

The Lazbuddie school will dismiss for the Christmas holidays on Friday at 2 p.m. and resume classes Tuesday, Jan. 2.

Mr. and Mrs. John Johns are to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. John of Lubbock and with her parents, the E. T. Wells at Burknett.

Paulene Houston was dismissed from the Clovis Memorial Hospital December 8th and continues to improve at home.

Elder and Mrs. Harris and children from Albu., New Mexico, were Sunday afternoon visitors in the P. E. Cargile home.

Mr. and Mrs. Odis Elders returned Thursday from an extended trip in east Texas where they visited his mother and other relatives.

Everyone says, "Wait until after Christmas--I'll have lots of news for you."

So I will close for this week and write Santa a letter.

Dear Santa,
Please bring us plenty of warm weather and good sunshine; If you don't have sunshine, higher temperatures will be fine. We have plenty of rain and plenty of snow this time I'm sure. If we can just get our crops gathered we can endure.

Thank you Santa,
From the folks at Lazbuddie and Surrounding area.

Best Wishes for Christmas

To you... the family, too!
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CHRISTMAS Greetings

Good tidings to you this holiday season... hope it's filled with happiness abounding.

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This is the happy season, when hearts of men are filled with fellowship and good will; when esteem and affection for things near and dear to us find expression in words and deeds of love and generosity. So, in keeping with the spirit of this joyful season, we send the age-old Holiday Greeting — Merry Christmas.

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MRS. WILSON LEWIS, of Pioneer Natural Gas, is pictured with the scene that won "Best Decorated Business". The scene depicts Christmas around the work and Mrs. Lewis is holding one of the dolls of the world used in the scene.

Walden Places Goodfellows Race

Delvin Walden won 3rd place in the fast senior division in the 8th Annual Goodfellows Benefit Race Sunday, December 17 in Lubbock.

The annual race for go-karting is sponsored by the Lubbock Karting Association.

Allen Doggett of Lubbock, (son-in-law of Mrs. Leta Kelley of Earth) placed 3rd in the slow senior division.

The race made over \$1500 for the Goodfellows which they will use to buy gifts for underprivileged children who would otherwise have no Christmas.

Doggett and Walden are both members of the Lubbock Karting Association and received a framed certificate for placing third in the races.

Attending from Earth were Mrs. Delvin Walden, Kelley and Richard, Mrs. Leta Kelley, and Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Walden.

Attending the annual race from Lubbock were Mrs. Allen Doggett and Perri and Jerri.

A miner's Christmas dinner in the Rockies, 1858: pork, elk, antelope, buffalo, grizzly bear, squirrel, prairie dog and mountain rat; then swan, crane and quail.

Letters to Santa



Dear Santa,

I want a musical Pooh. And a talking P.J. and Ken. And some boots. Please! My sister wants a light bright. And a cash register. Please bring my little brother something. He's 8 months old.

Love,
Tracy, Debbie and Wally Lackey
I'm 7 years old.

Dear Santa,

How are you. I would like a bike, horn, basketball goal. Be sure to bring my brother something.

Love,
Shawndi

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old and I am a very good boy. Would you please bring me an electric train, an SSP racing set, an archery set, and a Daniel Boone rifle and pistol. Please don't forget all other little boys and girls and their mommys and daddys too.

Your friend,
Jeff Mitchell.

Mrs. Perkins Breaks Arm

Mrs. Carl Perkins of Springlake slipped Thursday afternoon, December 14 while cleaning the snow off her car after work at the Springlake-Earth Schools.

On Friday, Mrs. Perkins went to work as usual at the school cafeteria. She cut up six turkeys and helped serve 450 students.

That evening her arm began

to swell and she went to doctor. X-rays showed arm to be broken. She probably be able to go back to work after the holidays.

GOAT GIVES
One of Santa's most usual stand-ins is the "Bock," a goat, once a Danish gift-giver.

BEEES GET BUSY
On Christmas Eve, hum holiday carols and melodies, says legend.

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RELIGIOUS CARDS
TAKE LEAD
IN POPULARITY

greeting cards a good many years ago, wouldn't be meaningful now. During recent Yule seasons, greetings with a religious message have led the way in popularity. The wryly-humorous idea that anyone looking for cards wants some that show only the convivial side of Christmas was never very funny, and now it definitely

isn't true. Early cards pictured dancers and skaters, holly and mistletoe, robins and other birds, beautiful women and charming children and flowers by the score. Such themes still appear, but they take second place to religious messages—especially, "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

By Any Name, Santa Always Pleases Children, Guards Fortunes of Many Adults, Too

When what's-his-name arrives in town, everyone is glad to see him. Who's that again? Oh, Santa Claus, of course. Or he could be—depending on where he is—St. Nick, Pere Noel, Father Christmas, St. Nicholas, Kris Kringle. Washington Irving called him Father Knickerbocker. To Russians, he's Grandfather Frost. This magical man of many names not only brings gifts,



he also has a lot of special gifts and powers, according to the lore of Christmas. Santa inherits his powers from St. Nicholas, a fourth-century bishop. Consequently, he's said to be gifted at guarding the fortunes of children, merchants and sailors. He takes a special interest in helping single girls find husbands, and the earliest pawnbrokers called him their patron.



Peace on Earth

It's Time to Wish One and All a Joyous Holiday

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CHRIST IS BORN IN A MANGER

LUKE 2:1-7

From THE LIVING BIBLE

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 home—journeying there from the Galilean village of Nazareth. He took Mary, his fiancée, 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.

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Christmas

Jay

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Dear Santa:



Dear Santa, because I all was wanted one if you cansind me it if you cau't is ok.
 Your friend, Susie Rodriguez
 R.R. 4 Muleshoe, Texas December 15, 1972

Dear Santa, I want a twister and a tearful baby tender love, and another

game, and pair of roller skates, and another game.
 Your Love, Leann Haberer

Dear Santa Claus, We would like for you to bring each of us a Tearful Baby Tenderlove and a surprise. We have been good little girls.
 Love, Kathy and Kelly Head P.S. We love you, Santa.

Dear Santa, I am six years old and I am in the first grade. I have been a pretty good girl this year. Would you please bring me a sewing machine and a Barbie Beauty Center.
 Love, Kelley



What Christmas Means To Me...


THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT
 The main thing that I think about when I think of Christmas is a Christmas tree. A Christmas tree means a lot to me. It is a symbol of happiness and happiness is what Christmas is really all about. The whole cause of Christmas starts right off with a Christmas tree.
 Christmas means so much to me. It means happiness, giving, receiving and most of all it means love.
 Christmas means waking up in the morning and seeing the things all in the room. All of the things you asked for.
 By: DeAnne Clayton

fun and you could even get presents from all your friends. And also I like Santa Claus cause he gives us some candies and some presents, you can even have a Christmas tree and you could decorate it with candies bulb lights and those lights that turn on and off.
 So that's why it is fun, and when there is snow you could make a snowman. So that's why come I like Christmas and snow.
 By: Eva Guana

WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS TO ME
 Christmas is a happy and joyful day to me and everyone. I think Christmas is the day to celebrate when Christ the Lord was born. It means a day

of happiness that's all I can think.
 And eating Christmas and also unwrapping gifts hope you feel the same to.
 By: Emeralds Martinez

LOVE AND SHARING
 At night I dream of the when Christmas will be in my dreams I dream of finding a lot of presents on the tree. But when I wake all I see is a few presents. When Christmas Day gets I will probably wake up find presents from my family and my aunts, and cousin.
 By: James Lowater



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Christmas! That special time of the year. A time when families and friends gather together to share and enjoy the season. And a time when we give special thanks.

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Dear Santa Claus, I want a sink, refrigerator and a stove. Also a play-doh factory and play-doh to go with it.
 I have been a good girl.
 Love, Wendy Bulls

Dear Santa, My name is Syliva and I would like to have a doll for Christmas and some toys, and don't forget my little brothers and sister, and very one.
 Merry Christmas and Happy New Years,
 Syliva Posada

Dear Santa, Please bring me a John Deere Snowmobile, a Putt Putt Truck Set and a Whittle Away Set.
 I love you,
 Sam Lewis

Dear Santa Claus, I would like a bike or a watch. Anna Dolores would like tryke for Christmas so would Catman.
 Merry Merry Christmas From
 Laura Ramos

Decking Halls Has History

"Christ was born on Christmas day. Wreathe the holly, twine the bay."
 From England of long ago come the words of this carol, showing the early role of the bay tree and its greens in decorating for Christmas.

Its use harks back to ancient Greece, when both the bay and the laurel bedecked homes and public places in symbol of triumph. As traditional Christmas greens, they reflect the same joyful spirit, say the editors of the Grolier Universal Encyclopedia.

Holly, of course, is still popular as Yuletide greenery. But nowadays, when it's time to deck the halls, bay leaves are more likely to spice holiday cookery, rather than holiday decorating.




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Christmas belongs to the people. So thought St. Francis of Assisi.

His way of helping his Italian parishioners grow closer to Christmas was to create the very first *praesepe*, or Christmas crib.

His carol, "The Song of the Creatures," made the Nativity still more real to them since it told of the lowly animals which were part of their lives and livelihood.

All this happened early in the 13th century. From that time, the idea of the creche or crib has spread to virtually every country on the globe.

Today, especially in Latin America and Europe, the manger scene sets the theme for a holy and happy Christmastide.

JINGLE BELLS

Most-sung American secular carol is "Jingle, Bells," written by James Pierpont of Massachusetts in the 1850's.

CAREFUL WITH COMMA!
That old carol really isn't "God Rest You, Merry Gentlemen," but "God Rest (Keep) You Merry, Gentlemen."



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SINCE DAYS OF OLD, REPLICAS OF THE MANGER scene have helped to bring mankind closer to the meaning of Christmas. The crib or creche here is typical, in its presentation of Mary, Joseph and the infant Jesus, with the shepherds and Wise Men and, of course, the animals of the manger. It's typical, too, of the way the Nativity and the events surrounding it have long inspired artists and craftsmen, musicians and singers, poets and writers.

Dramatizing Birth of Christ Awakens Awe and Wonder

Creche, Christmas crib, manger scene, crib of Bethany, *praesepe*—in many countries, the representation of the Nativity through figures from miniature to lifesize goes by many names.

Under any name, the re-creation of the manger springs from one guiding, and abiding, purpose—bringing people closer to Christmas. The highest wonder of the Christmas story is its sheer simplicity and reality.

A Child, the Son of God, born in a manger on a starry, silent night is a concept all can comprehend because of its closeness to human experience.

Anyone who watches a child before a manger scene this Christmas will readily see, in the child's awe and enthusiasm, that re-creating the Miracle of Christ's birth is an exalting experience.

What Christmas Means To Me...

WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS TO ME

Christmas means a lot of things to me. It means giving and receiving presents, Christmas means having dinner at grandma's on Christmas Day. It means mistle toe, girls and kisses, Christmas means Santa Claus and going to bed early. It also means getting up early to a full stocking and lots of presents. And just having fun. That's what Christmas means to me.

By: Jimmy Randolph

OPENING PACKAGES

I like opening packages best of all. To find out what you've wanted. After opening your presents the fun seems to be over. Soon the tree doesn't have any presents under it. In the morning the tree is in the alley. Before you know it will be another year before Christmas.

By: Byron Vaughn

Holiday Is Favorite Theme for Writers

Whenever the talk turns to Christmas books and stories, somebody's sure to mention Charles Dickens.

His "Christmas Carol," published in 1843, is synonymous with holiday convi-

viety, and its underlying theme stresses the spiritual truths and blessings of the Nativity.

"God bless us, every one," cried Tiny Tim Cratchit, and the cry still echoes. While Dickens may be a word for Christmas, many another author has written of this religious festival and merry feast.

Among the best known examples may be scenes from children's literature.

Louisa May Alcott's "Little Women," published 1868, may seem old-fashioned in some ways, but girls today still rejoice in the story of Meg, Jo, Beth and Amy.

These fictional heroines come to life for their readers, and never more so than in the Christmas-season story

that opens the book, when the March family gave up a festive breakfast for a poor family.

While they breakfasted on bread and milk, the girls felt they truly feasted, for they knew the joy of sharing.

Another old favorite is Kate Douglas Wiggin's "The Birds' Christmas Carol," of 1887.

Though better known as the author of "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm," she wrote this brief but touching story of the Birds' invalid child, whose short life exemplified the principles of Christmas.

In the present day, the American author Truman Capote, who claims the invention of a new literary form, the non-fiction novel, has written of Christmas, too.

Art Spreads Story Of His Birth

The Nativity scene has always stimulated and challenged painters and sculptors.

In turn, great works of art depicting the story of the birth of Christ have, through the years, enriched the lives and enhanced the spiritual insights of millions.

Earliest Christian art was simple and graphic, as clear and easy to appreciate as a comic strip.

Later, religious paintings became stilted.

Then, Italian Renaissance painters instilled renewed warmth and humanity into art, renewing, too, individual art appreciation, through their natural, lifelike creations.

Their work gained much from the stimulus of the changing times and the new approach to art, fostered by the support of the Medici and commissions for paintings and sculpture from the church.

For instance, Raphael, famous for the "Sistine Madonna," came to Rome from Florence to do a fresco decoration in the Vatican at the same time that Michelangelo was painting the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel.

Artists from other countries, too, traveled to Italy, there to experience and be influenced by Renaissance thought and feeling.

Classics Provide Yuletide Melodies

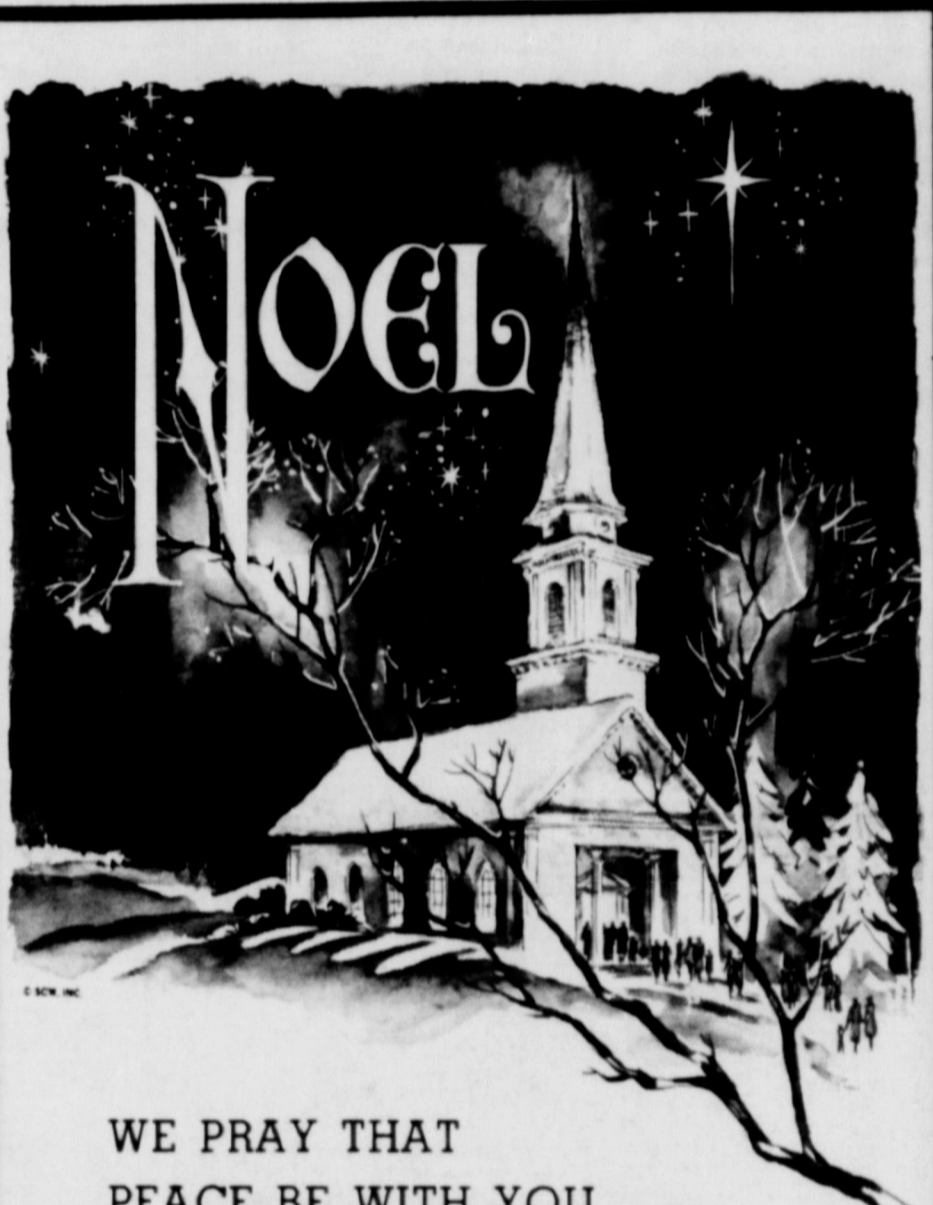
In this century, hymns and carols of the Nativity have been composed by Peter Warlock ("Bethlehem Down") and Gustav Holst ("Mid-Winter")—among others.

Often, hymns and carols have been set to the music of classic composers.

One example is, "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night," by Nahum Tate. Music for this came from Handel's opera, "Siroe," as adapted by Richard Storrs Willis.

Because candy canes have the legendary ability to ward off evil, they became part of Christmas, bringing good.

May the holy Christmastide bountifully bless you and yours with peace, joy and tranquility.



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What Christmas Means To Me...

On Dec. 25 is very nice. And before Christmas people are coming in and out of the stores. Sidewalks are crowded and people carrying big presents. On Dec. 25, all children are asleep. Not a cressur is stirring in the houses. And on that special day all the children get up in the morning and open their presents. And have a great fun all day.

CHRISTMAS IS HAPPINESS
Christmas is one thing that everyone likes. When the time comes everybody's happy and having a happy time enjoying a Christmas evening. Then the time comes to open the Christmas presents. Everybody is having a good time with the presents and playing with them.

Then after Christmas comes New Years and everybody is having a good time too.
By: Ricky Bosquez

CHRISTMAS, A TIME TO BE JOLLY

Christmas is a time to be happy, gay and jolly. Christmas is when you get presents. Christmas means watching Christmas shows on TV. Christmas means a time for sharing.

Christmas is having fun in the snow. Christmas is a time for caroling and fun for everyone. Christmas is something that has come down from the years from long ago.

Christmas is having fun with your friends. It is when we celebrate Christ the Lord's birthday. Children believe in Santa Clause. Santa Clause is part of Christmas. Santa Clause lives at the North Pole. Santa is a man that brings children toys on Christmas. Santa has eight tiny reindeer that guide his sleigh.

Christmas is the most wonderful time of year. Snow is on the ground and people go sleigh riding in the snow. People go skiing in the mountains. On Christmas Day, children run to open their presents under the tree. At noon, Christmas dinner comes and everyone eats. Christmas will come again next year!
By: Tina Hooten

CHRISTMAS EVE THROUGH CHRISTMAS DAY

I used to try to stay awake and greet Santa Clause. Oh! What a surprise it was when the Christmas sun peeped in my window. How the snow glisten-



MRS. GLADYS McCORD'S 4TH GRADE CLASS proudly display Christmas decorations they made for their room. Standing in front of the tree are: Esther Rosales, Gloria Price, Jim Gonzales, Andy Flores, Rhonda Weaver, Norma Campan.

ed in the sun. You could tell it was an once of a year occasion. Then I would run to the living room to find what Santa brought. I would run

around the house and wake up everyone. I remember Dad would come in all sleepy-eyed. We would gather around the Christmas tree and Dad would pass out the presents. Then Dad would get the biggest of his presents and take all the time in the world. After all was cleaned up we would go play with our friend the snow. How silly I was then. I'm bigger now and won't act so dumb. But I know that when Christmas comes again I'll greet it in the same way as always.
Merry Christmas,
Vicki Dunnam

CHRISTMAS IS GREAT
Christmas means seeing your cousin, aunts, uncles, and grandparents. Seeing what they have been doing. Playing games with them.
Getting presents from my parents, from my sister and brother. Having a Christmas tree with presents under it. You get clothes and games. Putting up the stockings and decorations. When it snows you get to make a snowman. Throwing snowballs at each other. Pushing each other down in the snow.
That's what Christmas means to me.
By: Petra Lewis

Merry Christmas

SNOW FOR CHRISTMAS ON THAT DAY

Snow for Christmas on that day. With lots of song and Christmas gay. But you go down on a Christmas day. And say, Oh may! What a wonderful day. But when you stop with inside game. You start with snowman and say their name.

SNOW FOR CHRISTMAS
Snow for Christmas on that day. With lots of songs and Christmas gays. But when you get to the living room you say, O, dear Santa see you soon.

I LIKE CHRISTMAS
I think Christmas is a time for happiness and joy. When Christ, our Savior, was born in Bethlehem and the Wisemen and Shepherds come to see Jesus.
The thought of Christmas gifts and cards coming from loving hearts of people and the cooking on Christmas Eve which is to be done is part of my Christmas.
I like to look at the decorations which are lit up at night. I also like to decorate our Christmas tree with balls and lights too. And the joy of seeing children opening packages for Santa Clause is my feeling of Christmas.
By: Laurinda Bulls

A CHRISTMAS VACATION

As you come to Vermont, you see the snow. You say that is good snow for skiing. As the bus stops you quickly unload

your equipment. Then the snow comes down very hard. Vermont! A wonderful place to ski! Next morning is Christmas and you go to ski on the mountains. Now it is time for you to go home. You have had a wonderful time.
By: Joe Gonzales

CHRISTMAS IN MY MIND

See all the lights Aren't they so bright?

When the snow has begun to fall Everyone has begun to call

"It's snowing"
"The winds blowing,"
And most of all I can hear the birds call,

People yell "Merry Christmas" And there's a pause, it's Santa Claus!

And that's the time Christmas is on my mind.

By: Christie Pittman

WHAT CHRISTMAS IS

Christmas is the joy of being with your family and the happiness of giving and receiving presents, turkey, ham (or what ever you like to eat.)

It means trying to keep a secret when you want to tell so bad. Hiding presents so your sisters and brothers can't find them, and looking for presents someone else is trying to hide

from you. It means getting to see your aunts, uncles, and cousins that you haven't seen in a long time. It means sitting around the fireplace cracking nuts (if you have a fireplace in which you don't). It means decorating your trees, and putting up decorations on the outside of your house. And that's what Christmas is.
By: Lindsey Field

A INTERESTING CHRISTMAS

Christmas is the most important holiday of the year. And it means for us to love and share and be thankful that you and all of your family is well, and or living. And I have realized that we are not little children anymore. And you can't get everything you want anymore. By the way, just be thankful that you get some of the things you want.
By: Brenda Fletcher

Dancing with Joy

A Christmas carol might also be a Christmas dance. Origin of the word "carol" itself seems to trace back to the French word, "caroler" meaning to dance, and carols of yesteryear may have been sung by carolers dancing in a circle. Full of rejoicing, the carols we sing today literally dance with holiday merriment.

READY FOR YULE
"Christmas tree" is the actual name of a plant that grows in New Zealand.

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Throughout Christendom,
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carols are familiar even to
little children, and they'll be
heard this Christmas
wherever carolers get to-
gether.

ISH LEGEND, Y AND THE INE GOD

The term "Bacchanalian
" often applies to
day celebrations. Ivy
intertwined in the his-
tory of Bacchus, for ivy
of the Wine God's crown.
Legend tells how it was
duced into Ireland.
Bacchus was travel-
through the western
he visited Ireland,
fell in love with its
green, charm and
uty. When the time
for him to leave the
entry, he decided to
at the ivy as a living
venir of his affection
the Emerald Isle.

All is calm, all is bright."
"Oh come, all ye faithful,
joyful and triumphant."
Throughout Christendom,
the words of these well-loved
carols are familiar even to
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heard this Christmas
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gether.

"Joy to the World" was
written by Isaac Watts (1674-
1748), English hymnist.
Watts, who is known as the
creator of the modern hymn,
wrote nearly 600 hymns.
Many of these still appear in
Protestant hymnals, says the
Encyclopedia Americana.

"It Came Upon the Mid-
night Clear" is the work
of Edmund H. Sears, a Unitarian
minister in Massachusetts,
more than a century ago.

Perhaps the most famous
of Christmas carols, "Silent
Night" was first sung on
Christmas Eve, 1818, to guitar
music.

Mice in the bellows had
silenced the organ of a tiny
Austrian church. Father Jo-
seph Mohr met the challenge



by writing "Silent Night."
His organist composed a
melody for guitar.

Father Mohr's inspira-
tion—aside from the mice—was
the vast, still beauty of the snowy
mountains around the
village.

"Oh come, all ye faithful"
is translated from the Latin,
"Adeste Fidelis," and its
exact beginnings are shrouded
in the mists of time.

Historians say it may have
been written by Saint Bona-
venture, in the 13th century.

CAROLERS OF YESTERYEAR PERFORM in their quaint
furred costumes (above), in an illustration from a greeting
card of the 1880's. From the Hallmark Historical Collection.



MODERN-DAY CAROLERS (above), are photographed sing-
ing at the Tower of London, along with the famous Beef-
eaters. From the New Book of Knowledge; photo, by the
British Travel Association.

Intangible Gifts Are Bringing Best Blessings, in Abundance

Among the treasures and
pleasures of Christmas, gifts
loom large—as all who greet
the Yuletide as a season of
laughter and a time to be
glad of heart well know.

Tangible gifts, large and
small, have their place in
the holiday scheme of things.
They're the outgoing expres-

sion of the generous Christ-
mas spirit.

It's the intangible gifts,
though, that seem to shine
most radiantly. Christmas
after Christmas.

The delighted smiles of
children and the wonder in
their eyes, the privilege of
aiding the less fortunate, the

opportunity to cherish and
strengthen friendships and
family ties, the renewed
spirituality, the solid founda-
tions of health, happiness and
love, faith and hope—these
are the intangible gifts.

Blessed indeed is the
Christmas that brings an
abundance of such gifts!

Ghosts

Souls of dead persons
may wander abroad on
Christmas Eve. Or so it
was believed in both Yugo-
slavia and Norway. A
lighted candle placed in a
window was thought to
have power to keep ghosts
outside a home and to

light them on their way.
Yule candles are still
placed in cottage windows.

UNDER THE PALM
Some say the traditional
Christmas tree was once a
palm with 12 parts, each part
representing one of the 12
apostles.



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Letters to



Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been a pretty good boy this year.

Please come to see me this Christmas. I would like a Dallas Cowboy football suit and helmet and a Matchbox Country and a Cowboy gun set. Thank you Santa! Bart Belew

Dear Santa,

Please bring me an electric train, two airplane, and a surprise. I am six years old. It is hard for little boys to be good but I try. I will be at my grandparents in Goree.

I will leave you a surprise under the Christmas tree. Thank you.

Love,
Danny Cooksey

Santa Claus,

Get me scabard gun, hat, bicycle, and Christmas tree and a little Santa Claus. I want my little sister a Barbie doll and some dishes and some knives and hat and she clothes



"VISIONS OF SUGAR PLUMS DANCED IN THEIR HEADS..." Students of Mrs. Charles Summers' kindergarten class look as

if they can hardly wait for Santa to come.

Dear Santa,

and some boots for her doll and a ball bat.
Girard & Amanda
Little brother little hat and shot gun.

Please bring me a Barbie doll and a toy telephone. Also some Barbie doll clothes. I

would like a cowboy hat if you have one.

Your Friend,
Ruby Sapp

P.O. Box 358
Earth, Texas 79031
Dec. 7, 1972

Dear Santa Clause,

I want a doll house and a doll and a candy cane. I wish you a Merry Christmas.
Merry Christmas
Your Friend,
Angie Herera

We wish you a Merry Christmas, We wish you a Merry

Christmas, We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year, so will you please bring me a Johnny West-Thunderbolt and a Witch-Witch game, and some Barbie Doll clothes. I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Your Friend,
Monica Taylor

Dear Santa,

I would like you to get me

a Bean Bay Doll that talks, baton, umbrella, western style pants.
Twilla Eagle

Rt. 2
Springlake, Texas 79082
December 12, 1972

Santa Claus,

I want a bike and a doll. OK and a Christmas tree.
Barbara Bustos

Santa Claus,

Bring me some B-B gun. I want a little cat, a bicycle.
Merry Christmas,
Edward Rosalez

Dear Santa,

I want some Barbie dolls. My

sister wants some Barbie dolls, Deborah Denise & Barbara Mayes
Merry Christmas

Box 361
Earth, Texas
December 14, 1972

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a Crissy doll, and I would like a big doll and some clothes. I have tried to be good. I have baby brother Kyle bring him a toy, please.
Love
Cindy

Dear Santa Claus,

My sister and I have been very good this year. We have been so anxious for you to come to our house.

I would like to have a piano

with a little stool, a baby doll, a Coke machine, a spiograph, a Susti Maker Blender.

Taffance wants a Green Toy Box, a baby doll, a slide, and some pull toys.

Please remember all the little children everywhere.

We will have some cake and milk for you.
Love,
Melissa Chaney

Dear Santa,

I have been trying to be good this year but it's not easy. I want a guitar, combine, and some games. Please bring my brother some toys too.
Love,
Michael Glass

P.S. I Love you Santa

Merry Christmas

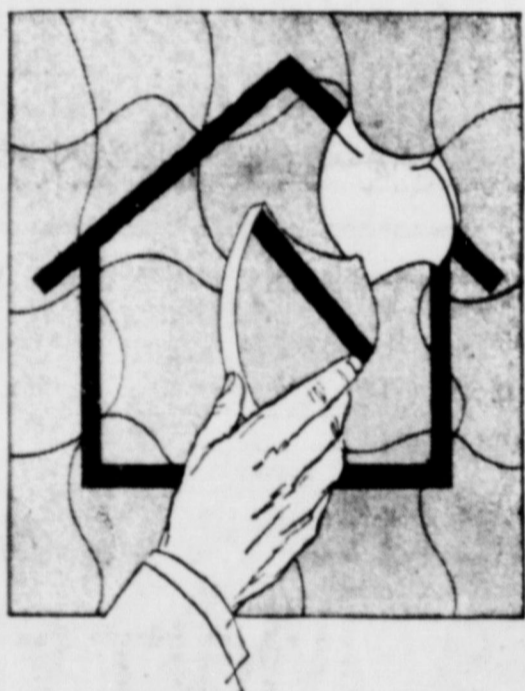


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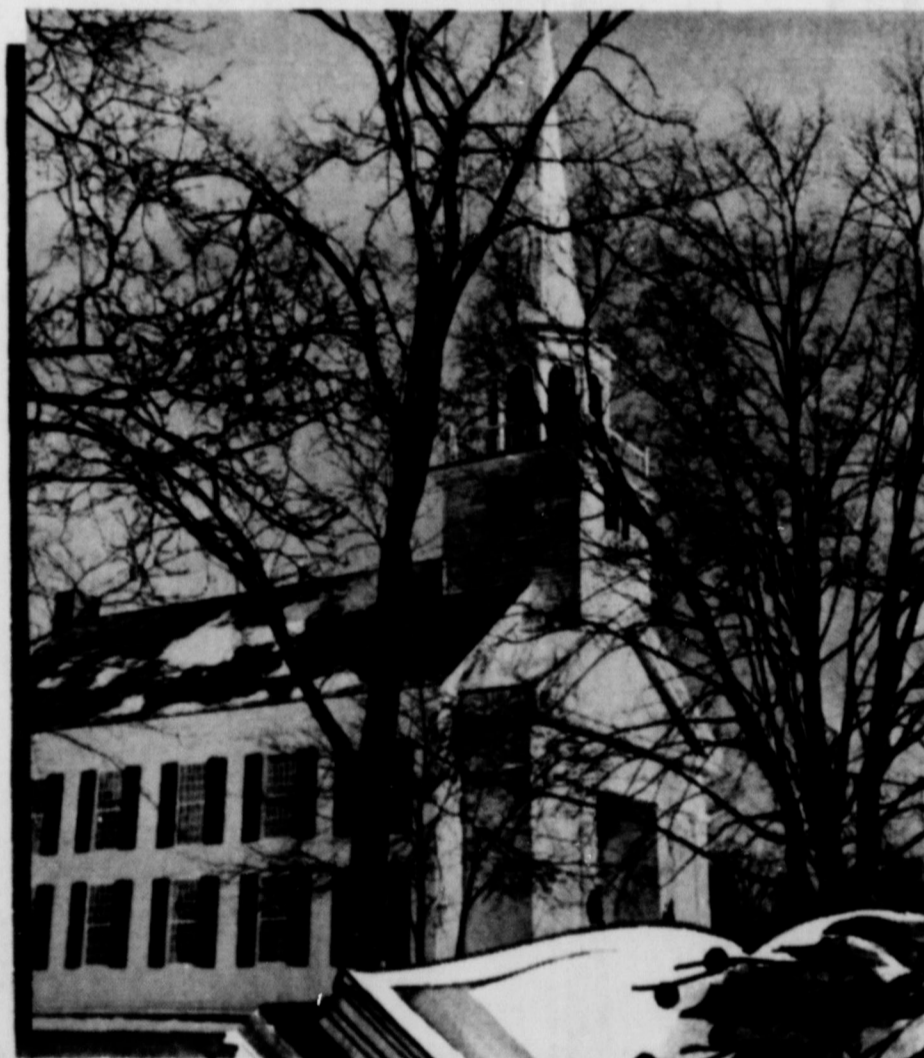
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What Christmas Means To Me...

HOW WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS IS
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WHAT CHRISTMAS IS TO ME
Christmas is a happy time. It is time to sing and shout, and a time to give and receive gifts, but most of all it is a time to remember that night when Jesus was born.
Jesus was born in Bethlehem in the stable by the inn. Jesus was not meant to be born in a manger but so many people were in Bethlehem to pay their taxes that night, the angel Gabriel told the shepherds the savior was born and the star shone brightly to the wise men. They could see our savior Jesus wrapped in swaddling clothes lying in a manger with all the animals bowing their heads at the babe. That was the night for all good men to remember that there may someday be Peace on Earth and Goodwill toward man.
By: Kelley Green

WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS TO ME
Many years ago in a stable a holy babe was born. Many shepherds, and Kings came to the stable to give the child gifts. This child gave his life for us to be saved, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son."
Jesus was crucified on the cross. He didn't want to die. They nailed him on the cross and put a crown of thorns on his head.
And truly he died for us! AMEN.
By: Robert Russell

WHAT I THINK CHRISTMAS MEANS
When a son of Mary, who was born in Bethlehem. One day they went to the inn, but they did not have any rooms for Joseph and Mary, so they were travelling and the man said that they would have to sleep in the stable. The ox and the sheep shared the roof with them. And the three wise men brought presents to the baby so that's why I like giving a present to some people.
When we open the present we like what we get, because we all goshopping with my mother for a present.
But the best part of Christmas is helping put up the Christmas tree, because if we did not have a Christmas tree, and knowing the story.
And when we receive and open the Christmas presents think of the baby and Mary and Joseph.
By: Tommy Fulenwider

CHRISTMAS, 1972
Of all the holidays, this season of the year has a special quality that is both intangible and very real:
Being home for Christmas is a universal desire.
Brotherhood is proclaimed and practiced more than at any other time.
Differences are subdued and all of us concentrate more on how we are alike than on how we are not alike.
We think more about what we can do for somebody, rather than what we can do to somebody.
Each of us has his or her own anticipated excitements and the odds are better than usual that realizations will live up to expectations.
For this period, whatever our age, we all become young in attitude; whatever our faith, we share the holiday spirit; whether our collars are white or blue, we can resolve to do something special for our fellow human beings to add to the joy of living.
Merry Christmas!

I like the thinking of Christ the Lord was born and why he died for us to live.

One more thing I like is getting out of school early when your mother comes and picks you up after the party and go visit your grandpa and grandma.
By: Bobby Gover

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We send you these greetings with the sincere hope that they find you together with all your loved ones, enjoying the peace and happiness of Christmas.
May all the joys of the season remain with you throughout the year ahead.

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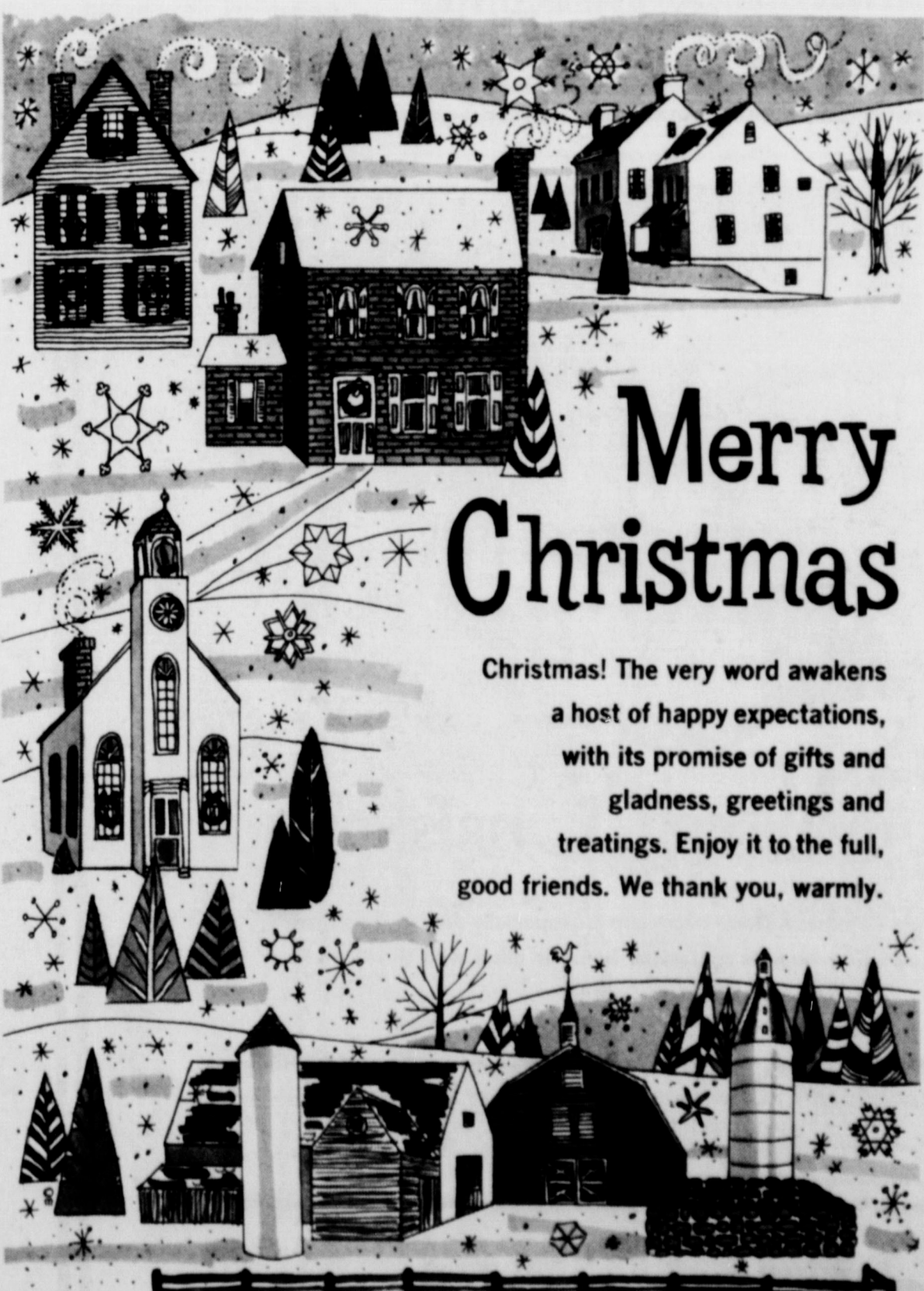


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What Christmas Means To Me...

WHEN CHRIST WAS BORN
The Savior's birth is the most important time of the year. When our Savior was born in the stable one cold night everyone came to see him. Without the Savior there would be no Christmas. Praising and giving thanks to our Savior is part of the Christmas joy. Everyone and everything is so thankful for our Savior that all the animals on every Christmas night, bow down on their knees and praise the Lord. That's what Christmas is to me!
By: Lisa Pittman

WHAT I FEEL ABOUT CHRISTMAS
Christmas is one of my favorite holidays. Christmas is a time to rejoice and be happy. Some people aren't because

they don't really know what it's all about. I have decided to put it into a few paragraphs. Christmas is the day that most people describe as a time to give presents. But the majority of the people describe it as the day that our savior was born. I'm one of those people who think a little of both. I feel that people are getting to where they think of Jesus when they think of Santa Claus. I think of Christmas as Jesus, but I can hardly wait for Santa Claus. Then sometimes I think of Christmas as fun with baking, and building snowmen and stuff like that. But now I really know what it is; it is a time to be happy because on the day of Christmas, Christ was born, and on that day the wisemen brought gifts to the King. That's how giving presents

started, but, what about Santa Claus?
By: Beth Pounds

WHEN OUR SAVIOR WAS BORN
Our savior was born on Christmas night in a little town, named Bethlehem. He had a father and mother who were very holy.
Once a king named Harold wanted the savior to be killed, because he didn't want him to become king of Jerusalem. So he sent three kings to go and find the little savior. The three kings rode on camels crossing deserts. A star was shining over them and they looked and saw a star that shined like gold. They followed it to a little town and went inside an inn. He saw the little savior with presents and they brought presents of gold and

Joseph was born in Bethlehem in a stable because there was no room in the inn. Shepherds, wise men and many people came and brought gifts to little baby Jesus, Our King and Savior.
By: Rosie Lewis

one of Santa's helpers, getting all the presents ready for Christmas and see him go up in the sky with his nine reindeer. Wouldn't you like to be one of Santa's helpers?
By: Mona Price

I LOVE CHRISTMAS
I like the Christmas songs we often sing. And as I go by the rooms, I see how pretty the decorations are. I like the things we do on Christmas. And I like to give my best friends a present, and when I do I like to see the expression on their faces. And I would like to be

WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS TO ME
Christmas is a time to give presents away and that you get to get out of school and get to go on vacations. Christmas is a special day cause Christ was born and cause you get to go out of town and go Christmas shopping. And your father ask

you want you won't and cause you get to go see your grandparents and cousins you haven't seen. And that your mother to go out and you stay at home and watch TV and have to be outside with the snow. And have a snowball fight with your friends. And cause you get to sing and go sliding on the sidewalks at school and the little boys and girls have parties and give you some. And cause little boys and girls write to Santa. And cause the room of school looks more livelier.
By: Nelda Garza

NOEL

Christmas! That special time of the year. A time when families and friends gather together to share and enjoy the season. And a time when we give special thanks.

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silver. The three kings never went back to the mean old king again.
By: Arjelia Sauseda

WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS TO ME
Christmas means giving presents to cousins, parents, brothers, sisters and friends. Having snowball fights with my brother. Setting up the Christmas tree, placing presents under and around it. Receiving gifts from friends and having a holiday, that means getting out of school for two weeks. Making snowmen in the snow. Decorating the Christmas tree but when the sun starts shining again the snow melts, and the snowmen fall. We have to take the Christmas tree down.
By: Michael Koite

CHRISTMAS, WHAT IT MEANS TO ME
Christmas means when dad drives up the driveway and comes in with a big thick Christmas tree. And we put it in front of our picture window. And Christmas also means

when our savior the Lord was born. And it's when you have fun outside, it starts snowing and you go outside and build a snowball, and have snowball fights. It's also a time when you get a vacation from school, it means when me and my parents go and visit my grandmother. And it also means when you receive and give gifts. And it also means when Mom makes pumpkin pies and other delicious foods. That's what Christmas means to me.
By: Irene Bustos

WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS TO ME
To me Christmas means going to Grandmothers for turkey and dressing, and to get together with my family. It also means giving gifts and receiving them, too. It's fun to see each expression on every face, and to find out what you and everyone else got. It means all this, but most of all Christmas means the birth of Christ, who son of Mary and

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Dina Heard too Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bike and a puppy that wags its tail and walk and barks. And I want some boots. And bring my mother some boots.
Love
Belinda Zamora

Dear Santa,
I want a B.B. gun and boots and guns and scauck and bike
Your friend
Lewis Minsley

Dear Santa,
I want a B.B. gun for Christmas and two guns and one bike and a good by Santa,
Dimas Samatron

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll and a Fiast and a piano and barbe doll and a want a hat too, I have been good, I hope you will come to my house,
Dorcas Crockett



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please come to my house.
Love,
Dolores Roslez

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a saddle and some guns and a rifle and a hat Merry Christmas
Your friend
Martin Vasquez

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a gun and some reins and please bring me some calf and a little stocking to put my card in and a little black train to the top. I want some balloons.
Your friend,
Chubby Ramos

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a record player, po-gostick Tiny Tells,
Kerri Tunnell

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a gun, ball, bat, Big Jim.
Richard Sauseda

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a bicycle, gun, boots, be-be gun, Big Jim hat, G-I Joe, ball, and bat, and car, puzzle. I am six and my name is Mark.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Po-gostick and boots,
Kelly D-wa Gover

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Tiny Tells, a puzzle, Sweet Cookies, doll piano,
Kelli Herriage

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Sweet Cookie and piano,
Dara Loudder

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a record player. Tiy Tells, and play house.
Denise Price Cynthia

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a gun, Big Jim, ball, bicycle, bat, car.
Frank

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a train, I

Tiny Tells, I Joe, I record player,
Lisa Hood

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a train, Tiny and pla piano, gun doll, bicycel, rubber po go stick, fish, Sweet Cook, Jim boots,
Christine

Dear Santa,

Please me a bring train, G.I. Joe, record player, Tiny Tells and play house gun.
Chucky

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a b.b. gun and ssp. And a drum too. And a rockem sockem robock. And the biggest candy cane in the world.
Danny DeLeon

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a candy and doll and I want a record player and buy me a set of Barbee doll and buy me a little present.
Love
Sandy

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a miny bike and the alomo. And record player. Thank you Santa.
Your friend
Ray Lynn Owen

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a watch and a baby doll and a cash redsher and a calk bird and bells and a bick fome Glenda James to Santa Claus.
Glenda James

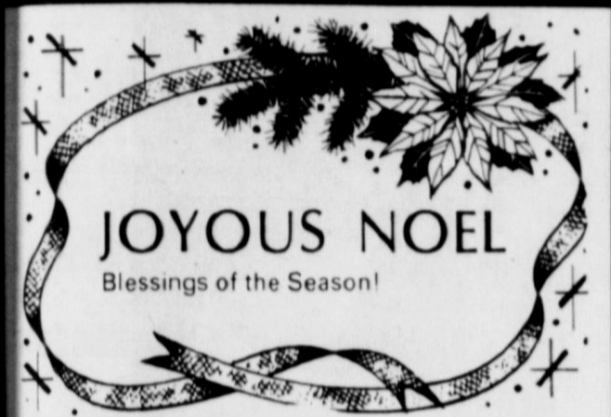


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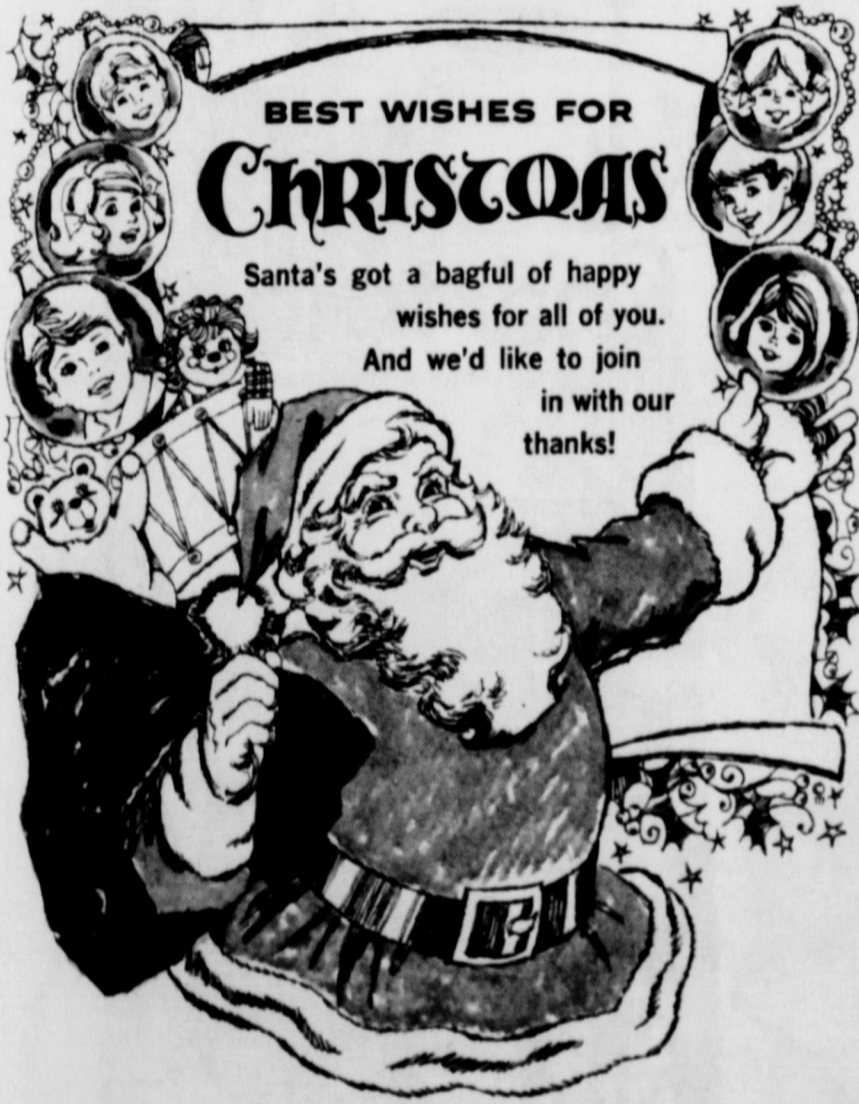
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Come, Follow Me

Long ago three Wise Men
Were gazing at a star
That glistened in the Heavens,
Outshining all by far.

And so the Wise Men pondered
What could its message be,
For it somehow seemed to beckon
And say, "Come, follow me!"

So they readied for a journey,
And chose their gifts so rare.
Then they climbed upon their camels,
And turned them toward the star.

Long days and nights they traveled
With trials along the way,
Until they came to Bethlehem
Where now the Christ Child lay.

And there the holy Magi
Knelt before this tiny King;
They gazed in adoration
While hearing angels sing.

And then along with shepherds
They learned the reason why
They were beckoned by a message
That came out of the sky.

And they gave it to the ages
So that all good men might be,
Just as joyfully rewarded
By the words, "Come, follow me!"

Anthony D. Elser

What Christmas Means To Me...

CHRISTMAS
Christmas is thinking about Jesus' birth and how the star brought people from all around to Bethlehem to bring gifts to Christ, and when Augustus Caesar taxed the known world. Thinking of how the star looked and how the shepherds were scared when the angel told them about the Christ. What kind of gifts were brought. How the Christ looked. How it must have seemed waiting in the cold to take you to the babe. How it must have seemed to be happy knowing that the God, Jehovah, had sent his only son for us.
By: Allen Moore

WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS TO ME
What does Christmas mean to me? Christmas means getting and giving presents to your friends, and relatives and especially your Mom and Dad. I think Christmas is the most wonderful day of the whole year.
Sometimes you even stop to admire Christmas trees, and Dad can take you all over town to see the lights all over the houses. And when you got to bed you can sleep five hours and think it was one. And when you wake up, don't stop to wake up your brother, go and unwrap presents. That is what Christmas means to me.
Yours Truly,
Johnny

WHAT IS CHRISTMAS NIGHT?
Christmas night is when you get gift. Christmas night is when you eat orange and apple maybe candy. But Christmas is having fun. But it also get to eat cake. You can get up in the day and play with your toys. But I like to play games with my brother. Christmas night is fun.
By: Linda Hood

CHRISTMAS
Christmas is the best time of year in which all my family gets together for a Christmas dinner of turkey and dressing and decorating Christmas tree and hanging a reath on the door and most of all getting out of school and I like riding my bike in the snow but I don't like getting hit with snowballs or being pushed down in the snow.
By: Pat Fuller

One day long ago there lived a carpenter and his wife. One day she was out in the park and the angels of the Lord came down. They told her that she was going to have the Lord child. They say the child he called Jesus. Mary told Joseph what had happened.
One day after Mary had the child, the angels came again. They told her to leave and go to Bethlehem. So Joseph and Mary started off. For days and nights they traveled. When

they reached Bethlehem there was no room. One of the en keepers felt sorry for them he let them use his stall.
Three wise men from the east saw a bright star they followed it. The shepers in the fields saw the star and they followed it.
When they reached Bethlehem they saw the Lord Jesus and they presented him gifts and that is how Christmas started.
By: Belinda Hampton

WHAT THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS IS TO ME
The joy of Christmas is getting toys from your parents and relatives. Sharing them with your friends. Having snowball fights with your family. Opening packages with your families. Meeting new people going in and out of stores. Playing games with your relatives.

Having school parties. Writing letters to Santa Claus. Putting decorations on the Christmas tree. Giving Santa cookies and milk. Eating turkey and dressing. That's what the joy of Christmas is to me.
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
Lexie Fennell

A WONDERFUL MONTH
December is a month when all sidewalks are crowded with people shoving, pushing, rushing, because everybody is buying presents.
Christmas to me means a day when it's about midnight and everybody is asleep, children are peeking out their bedroom doors toward the living rooms looking at Christmas trees anxious to open presents. But they have to wait until December twenty-fifth to open them!

Merry Christmas everybody!
By: Angelita

WHAT CHRISTMAS IS LIKE TO ME
Christmas is a wonderful time of year. It always comes on December 25 (though we really don't know when he was born.) But then we share our presents and feelings with our family and friends when we have our Christmas dinner with our family.
It means having a Christmas tree in the front room, to decorate and put presents under. Having your stocking hung and get little presents and fruit. Then get up on Christmas morning and open what Santa has brought you.
By: Lynn Brown

BEFORE CHRISTMAS
Before Christmas I like to

shop and wrap presents and send Christmas cards to my friends and plan Christmas parties. Then wait a couple of days till Christmas comes.
Although while we're waiting we could go for a vacation, then come back for Christmas Eve and open presents, like games, toys, and other things which we have fun with.
Your Friend,
Rosarie Montiel

HAVING FUN AT CHRISTMAS
Christmas means to me having fun and wrapping presents or unwrapping them. It also means eating Christmas Dinner and getting presents from my family and from my friends. It means giving things to other people also. Playing with them and wearing the presents is even greater. Opening the

presents that were given to me late is fun also. Everybody has fun on Christmas Eve. Oh, I almost forgot I like to watch the football games and parades and putting up decorations.
Doniece Taylor

CHRISTMAS JOY
Christmas means to me joy, celebrating a holiday, and happiness, wrapping presents and unwrapping them. Giving and receiving. Decorating Christmas trees and putting lights on the trees outside in the yard. Eating Christmas dinner with your family. Going places and visiting relatives and giving them presents. On Christmas day opening the gifts and playing with them. After Christmas wearing the things that you got. At school seeing what your friends got for Christmas and hearing what they

did over the holidays.
By: Susie Lutzford

CHRISTMAS, I LOVE IT
Christmas means to me in my mother's and father's giving love and us loving the Christmas to me it brings joy above. Jesus in the manger Mary and Joseph setting the warm, damp night with a new born son.

And I like to decorate Christmas trees and putting the bright lights on the trees.

I like to see the children opening their presents and what they have in their bags.

Christmas means to me more than anyone can say. Christmas is what I love.
By: Elaine Bills



As the excitement of another Christmas mounts and the spirit of joy and wonderment reaches into the hearts of everyone, we send our heartiest greetings, with sincere thanks for the privilege of serving you.

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Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men.
 Luke: 2:14

**Never a Christmas Morning . . .
 Never the Old Year ends,
 But Someone thinks of Someone
 Old Days, Old Times, Old Friends**

1st Christmas toast results in marriage!

One wonders at the forcefulness of the weaker sex, on occasion, especially when a member of the so-called stronger sex is under the spell of spirits. The wassail bowl and the Christmas toast were both started in the same gesture, so the tale goes, by the daughter of an early Germanic chieftain, then on a campaign in Britain. Offering a garlanded bowl of wine to her father's princely host, she said "Wassheil," or "Here's to you." The prince responded gallantly and, one thing leading to another, they were soon married. For the common people of the Middle Ages, wassail was a mixture of hot ale, sugar, nutmeg, and ginger. The nobility, however, used the finest wines in the cellar. In later times, a popular base for the wassail bowl was Span-

ish sherry grown from the grapes of Andalusia and fortified with brandy. The word "toast" however, emerged from the fact that early wassail



bowl sometimes had pieces of toast (as well as fruit) floating around in the top. In medieval days the wassail was often accompanied by roasted peacock, re-stuffed in its feathered finery, and with a small fire (lighted brandy) playing about its nostrils. Her ladyship always served this dish herself. Our European ancestors must have had strong stomachs and a gift for showmanship. **Altered Meaning** The meaning of "Merry Christmas" has changed somewhat over the years. Originally, "merry" meant "blessed, peaceful, pleasant."

Sing hey! Sing hey!
 For Christmas Day;
 Twin mistletoe and holly.

For friendship glows
 In winter snows,
 And so let's all be jolly!

Joys of the Season!
 — Anonymous

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Taos Indians have observed Yuletide for centuries

One of the most colorful celebrations of Christmas in America has been the ones conducted by the Taos Indians in New Mexico. Commemorative Indian dances originated long before Spanish priests brought the Roman Catholic religion to the isolated pueblos of New Mexico in the 1600s. But with their conversion to Catholicism, the Indians blended the new and old, and the outgrowth was the Christmas dance. The practice of Christmas dances originated when Spanish explorers and priests asked the Indians to perform whatever dances they thought would be appropriate for the religious holiday. Customarily, either the Deer dance or the Matachines dance is performed on Christmas day. According to the Indians, the Deer dance was chosen hundreds of years ago because the Indians thought the deer was one of the animals that might

have been present when Christ was born.



The Matachines is a dance honoring the mother of Christ. According to an Indian spokesman, the dance was developed by the Indians from their interpretation of Spanish Catholic teachings about the Virgin Mother.

Religious events are plentiful in this predominantly Catholic state, although many of the services are no different (save for the setting, the adobe buildings and the cultural heritage of the people) from services held elsewhere. Visitors now have to look long and hard to find any shepherds' watch-fires twinkling on the hills to light the path of Mary and Joseph. Once, such fires were common.

Also on Christmas Eve, the Indians of Taos customarily stage a procession lined by bonfires and by lighted pine faggots attached to long poles. Downtown Santa Fe is also usually ablaze with candle and artificial light during Christmas week.

Mexican children wait till January 6 before getting presents . . .

Mexico is a country where Santa Claus and the Christmas legends have apparently lost a battle to win acceptance. Children are told that gifts come from "niño Jesus," the boy Jesus, and in most cases must wait until Jan. 6, the day of the Three Wise Men, before they get their presents.

Season's Greetings

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MAY THE SEASON'S JOYS BE YOURS

May Santa's bounty brighten every heart and fill your house with children's laughter. And may the spirit of Christmas be with you and your loved ones throughout the year!

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YES, VIRGINIA, THERE ARE GLASS-ORNAMENT MAKERS. THEY WORK ON XMAS, MONTHS AHEAD

While you're busy selecting the perfect ornaments for your family tree, the manufacturers of them in all likelihood, are vacationing on some southern sands, or otherwise far away from the bustle unless they, too, are admiring the ornaments selected for their trees!



Back in July many

companies produced and moved ornaments all over the country in preparation for the Big Holiday.

While the ornament business is not big in the United States when compared with other industries special care is taken in the delivery of decorations that will deck the spruces, firs, pines and boughs of holly this Christmas season.

Mirabile dictu, only 12 to 15 per cent of such decorations are made of plastic.

Because of the special care in the shipment of glass balls, less than 4,000 out of 200 million glass

balls produced last year were broken. An excellent performance!

Glass ornaments, which are produced by only three companies in this country, are usually only five one-thousandths of an inch thick and are quite fragile.

Most ornamental balls for the Christmas tree come in the popular size of 2 1/4 to 2 3/8 inches. One firm makes balls ranging from one" to 3 1/4."

Currently a major portion of holiday ornaments comes from Japan, with more and more being imported from Hong Kong and Taiwan in recent years. Italy, Germany and some of the countries behind the Iron Curtain also supply these products to the United States. In fact 8 to 10 per cent of all glass ornaments comes from outside of this country.



ASTROLOGERS BRING GIFTS TO THE CHRIST CHILD MATTHEW 2:1-12

From THE LIVING BIBLE

Jesus was born in the town of Bethlehem, in Judea, during the reign of King Herod.

At about that time some astrologers from eastern lands arrived in Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the newborn King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in far-off eastern lands, and we have come to worship him."

King Herod was deeply disturbed by their question, and all Jerusalem was filled with rumors. He called a meeting of the Jewish religious leaders.

"Did the prophets tell us where the Messiah would be born?" he asked.

"Yes, in Bethlehem," they said, "for this is what the prophet Micah wrote:

"O little town of Bethlehem, you are not just an unimportant Judean village, for a Governor shall rise from you to rule my people Israel."

Then Herod sent a private message to the astrologers, asking them to come to see him; at this meeting he found out from them the exact time when they first saw the star. Then he told them, "Go to Bethlehem and search for the child. And when you find him, come back and tell me so that I can go and worship him too!"

After this interview the astrologers started out again. And look! The star appeared to them again, standing over Bethlehem. Their joy knew no bounds!

Entering the house where the baby and Mary his mother were, they threw themselves down before him, worshipping. Then they opened their presents and gave him gold, frankincense and myrrh. But when they returned to their own land, they didn't go through Jerusalem to report to Herod, for God had warned them in a dream to go home another way.

Illustrations from TAYLOR'S BIBLE STORY BOOK

Told in Rhyme

The story of the Nativity and its meaning for mankind is a favored poetic theme, as is the holiday cheer of hearth and home.

Poets as diverse as William Shakespeare, Samuel Taylor Coleridge, John Greenleaf Whittier and T. S. Eliot have made their contributions.

Numerous carols first were

poems—witness Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day":

"I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old, familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet the words repeat,
"God is not dead, nor doth He sleep."

Probably the overwhelming winner among widely-known secular Christmas poems is Clement Clark Moore's "A Visit from St. Nicholas."

The poem, written for his own children in 1822, is popularly called, "Twas the Night before Christmas."

Inspires Music

In serious music as well as popular carols, the Nativity scene lives on.

Handel's "Messiah," Bach's "Christmas Oratorio," Berlioz' "L'Enfance du Christ" are noteworthy examples of music performed year after year at Christmas.

More recently, Britten's "Ceremony of Carols," Honnegger's "Christmas Cantata" and Menotti's "Amahl and the Night Visitors" have joined the holiday medley of musical treatments.

Yule Lives In Legend And Lore

Twinkling on trees, glowing from windows, glittering everywhere, Christmas lights reflect, today, the candles of an earlier time.

A candle in the window can light the Christ Child on his way, says Irish legend.

Nativity scenes in homes and churches depict the animals of the Manger—and on Christmas Eve, the cattle, the sheep and all the animals present at the Nativity are given the gift of speech.

So says the lore of Christmas.

Blossoming on the holiday scene, greens and flowers spread their beauty and fragrance, reminding all of the living wonder of Christmas. In legend, all flowers bloom

at midnight on Christmas Eve, just as they did more than 2,000 years ago.

The legend and lore of Christmas expresses the simple faith that lies at the heart of this happy, holy time.

Some of the most delightful of legends are told in carols.

From France comes the "Carol of the Birds." Its words recount how the birds flew to Bethlehem to behold the Christ Child. Each bird, as it flew, sang a special song of praise and rejoicing.

There's a "Carol of the Flowers," too. Summoned to the presence of the newborn King, every flower blossomed, and each blossom was a symbol of the Little One's virtues.

Seafaring peoples, in their own way, related nature's wonders to the miracle of the Nativity, through carols.

"I Saw Three Ships Come Sailing" tells of ships crossing the sea on Christmas morn, bearing Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

Mistletoe Has Powers

Mysterious powers by the dozens have been credited to mistletoe, among them the power to heal, to ward off evil, to summon ghosts and force them to answer questions.

At present, the most practical license it gives for plenty of Yuletide kissing. Fortunately there's plenty of mistletoe.

Thanks to the birds, the plant spreads widely. The birds eat mistletoe berries and carry the seeds to trees near and far, say the editors of the Encyclopedia International.



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Letters To Santa

Santa and Your Reindeer

Santa bring me a ball and a doll.
Claus bring me a book,
Claus bring me a snow-
I want a play car, I
Christmas tree.

Santa bring me baby boy and
a horsey and some papers and
baby Jesus and shoes and tennis
and socks and clothes, OK,
Ricky DeLa Garza

Dear Santa,

Santa,
I want a batman suit. If you
find it, that's ok,
Merry Christmas to you,
Garza

Please bring me a football and
big truck and two guns and bee-
bee gun and jells and a new
barn and a new ball and truck
and car and rifle and bus and



THE WONDER OF CHRISTMAS as seen through the eyes of a child. Pictured are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Neil Ellis, Brenda, Lexi, and Sherry.

bike, I want a hat and gun.
Your friend,
Michael Dennis

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a doll and a
beautyset, I love you, Santa,
I want a doll.
From Rossena to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a beauty set
and a doll. I have been a good
girl. We all hope that you
have a Merry Christmas.
Love Tammy Landis to Santa
Claus, Earth, Texas

Dear Santa,

I want a gun. And a horse.
And a top and a some books to
read and bring me a yellow
sled.
Hector Flores

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a doll and
boots. I have been a good
little girl. Merry Christmas,
Santa Clause, I love you Santa
I want a red bell.
Mary Silva

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a cat and a
dog. I have been a good girl
I love you Santa. I like a doll
Santa. I love you Santa. I
want a red bell Santa,
Love
Cheryl King

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a baby doll

and one new dress, and one
new pair of shoes. One more
thing I would like is a cap.
Please fill my stocking to the
top, throw in a balloon.
Your friend,
Carmen Kelley

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a bike and a
gun and a rifle and a sled and
bells.
Ricky Weaver
Your friend

Dear Santa,

Please a Sweet April And
Thumbelina. How are you,
and your wife. How is your
raindeer? I hope you are o-k
to come.
Love,
Vonda Carol Stephens

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a doll and
some candy. And I want a set
of fish to play with my sister.
And I would like a new coat
to. I want some shoes for
school from I love,
Patricia

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a doll and

tape recorder, I love you. Do
you love me? I have been
good.
Love
Dyan

Dear Santa,

I'm telling my mommy what
to write. I want a doll. I
like you for bringing toys. I
sure would be glad to see you.
Don't forget my big brother,
Andy, and my friend, Kristi
Criswell. Don't forget all
boys and girls. Please bring
some fruit, candy and nuts,

too.
You know what? I love Santa.
Love,
Nisi Hartman

Dear Santa,

I want some dishes and a
checker game set. And I want
clay and a baby and her name
is Amy. And I want some
butterfly berets. And a nurse
kit. And a doll house. And I
want a pantsuit.
Your friend,
Sylvia Galleya

Dear Santa,

I want Minnesota Vikings
Jersey and Helmet, Cotton
Corduroy Moc-Style Boots,
G.I. Joe Team Commander,
Tony Nancy's Ra.1 Dragster.
I been a nice boy.

From,
Arlic Ellis

Dear Santa,

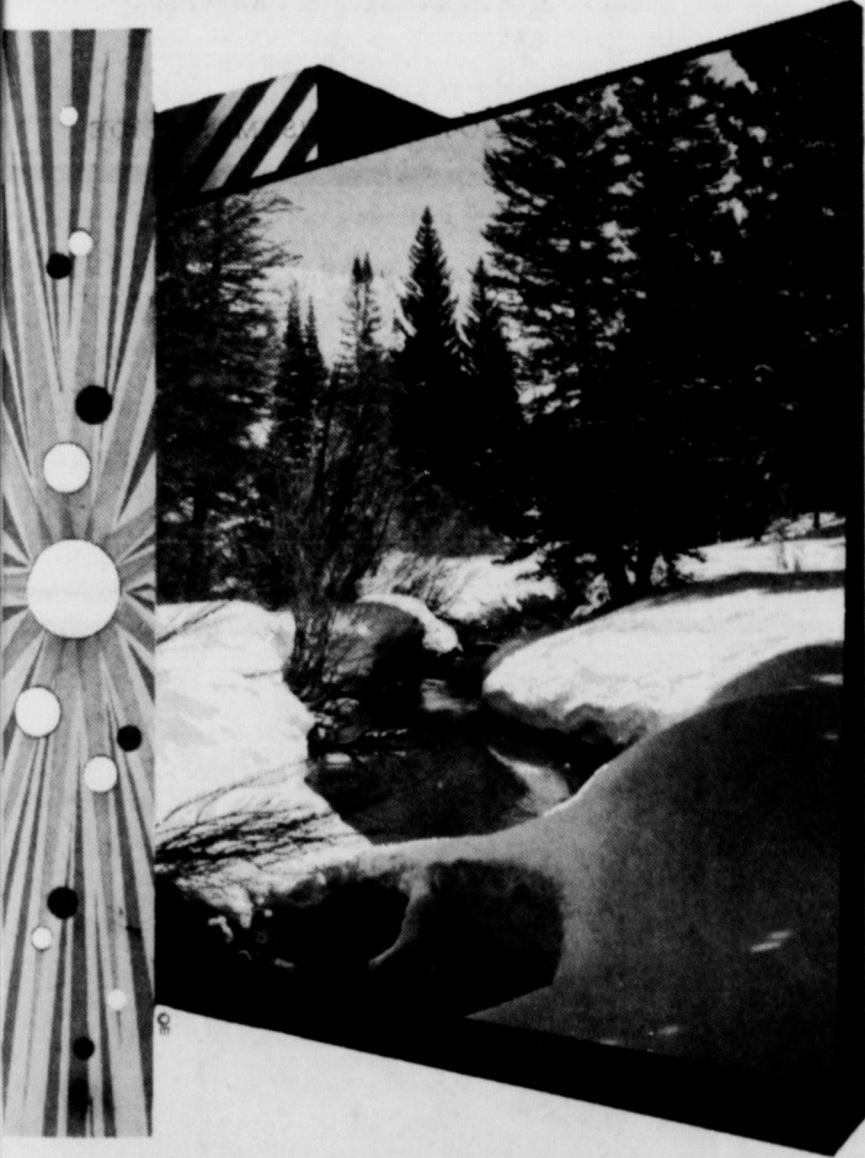
I want a mini-bike, shot gun
and shells. I hope you will
bring them.
Truly,
Mark Parish

To you and yours,
the peace and
joy of Christmas
with sincere
best wishes from us.



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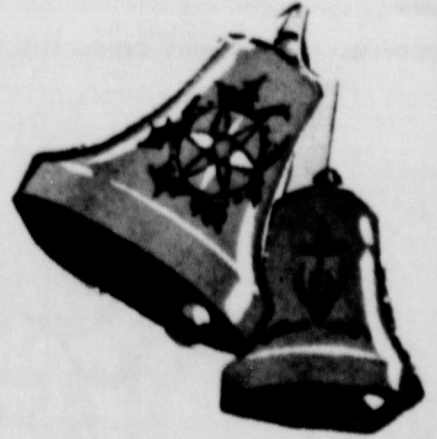
The freshness of new fallen snow
awakens deep reflections of holiday sentiments.
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AMERICA'S SETTLERS CELEBRATED IN OWN WAY

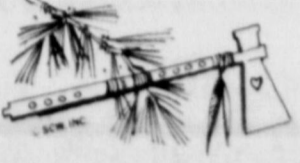
During the early 17th century any formal observance of Christmas was ruled out by the rigid code of Puritanism. Yule festivity was forbidden as emanating from the Devil. And the Devil was very much a personage in those days. This rule persisted until 1681 when it was repealed. Probably the influence of the Dutch and German settlers had prevailed, and their customs of Christmas feasting and gaiety softened the hearts of the strict Puritans.

The plenty of the new land provided abundant foodstuffs for the holiday table. And the woods' greens, boughs and assorted cones were used for decorative trim.

In 1804 the explorers Meriwether Lewis and William Clark rested from their journey westward to celebrate Christmas Day somewhere in the vicinity of what is now Bismarck, North Dakota. Captain



Clark wrote in his journal, "We enjoyed a merry Christmas during the day & evening until nine."



In northeastern Wyoming it was rumored that one of a pioneer's Christmas trees had a calming influence on a wounded Sioux Indian who burst into a widow's cabin seeking help and food. She was decorating a small tree for her two children. Its beauty aroused the Indian's curiosity and through sign language, the woman was able to explain in part some of the tree's significance. She fed and cared for the Indian and was able to take him back to his tribe. It is part of the legend that he, having

learned the spirit of Christmas, rewarded her with many gifts.



Yule Log

An important ceremony of Christmas in many countries of Northern Europe was that of burning the Yule log. Logs large enough to burn for twelve days were used, and the fire was tended constantly to prevent its burning out before the end of the twelve days. In Lithuania, now a part of Russia, the word for Christmas meant literally "log evening."



It is quite likely that the early Christians — persecuted, driven underground — chose to celebrate Jesus' birthday during the Saturnalia so that the public festival would conceal their secret rites.

It is not surprising that the gaiety and outward form of the Saturnalia were incorporated into our Christmas customs.

The date of Dec. 25 was

GIFT-GIVING AROUND THE WORLD



Admire a picture on a Russian's wall — and he may take it down and give it to you! And pity the poor Fiji islander — at certain times of the year, he must give a neighbor anything the man asks for.

Among primitive New Guinea residents, where fishing is all-important, a gift of netting catches compliments, while in America you can give socks, ties, even an electric toothbrush and still net yourself hearty thanks.

Christmas, the season of love and charity, has always fostered giving. In England, the day after Christmas is known as Boxing Day. The concept of Boxing Day originated in the custom of giving Christmas boxes to tradesmen, servants and minor public officials. This tradition continues, although today the emphasis is on giving to the poor.

Lords and princes of the Middle Ages gave saddles, swords and horses to their faithful knights, while noble ladies gave their men kerchiefs to affix to their lances or helmets — as tokens of good will and support.

Queen Elizabeth of England, during the late 1500's, fostered the custom of Christmas gift-giving by requiring her courtiers to deliver presents before the throne. Woe betide those who didn't produce! To forestall her royal wrath, one archbishop gave her \$200 every Yule to replenish her wardrobe. Court ladies presented her with the first silk stock-

expressly chosen by the early Christian leaders as a means of combating their chief competitor, the Mithraic religion. Dec. 25 was the birthday of Mithras, the Unconquered Sun, revered as creator of the world and upholder of truth and justice, whose followers underwent a ceremony of baptism to attain eternal life. This highly ethical and intellectual religion was especially favored by the influential upper classes — and was therefore deeply rooted in the life and customs of Rome.

By the middle of the fourth century A.D., it was evident that the populace was determined to have a festival at the time. In 353 Pope Liberius, to honor Saturnus or Mithras, or just for the sake of having

ings made in Europe.

A distinctly American gift today that's popular with parents and children alike is a set of books such as the World Book Encyclopedia and The Childcraft How and Why Library. The 1972 World Book is a landmark in educational publishing and is the largest, most comprehensive edition of the world's largest-selling encyclopedia. The 1972 Childcraft volumes encourage the young child to open doors to life and learning... to a lifetime adventure of enrichment through books.

Looking back at more recent history, in pre-revolutionary China, aged parents received birthday gifts of "longevity robes" from their dutiful children who revered old age.

Thinking in more earthly terms, Charlemagne, 8th century king of the Franks, is alleged to have given his generals all the land they could walk around from sunup to sundown.

Perhaps because he thought generosity was a jewel of a trait, Emperor Nero of Rome used to throw parties during which gems would be showered upon the guests from special baskets on the ceiling.

Most insistent on giving? Perhaps the Berbers of North Africa take this award. Since the dawn of time, they have believed that milk is "full of holiness." For that reason, most nomad Arabs in Africa will urge a traveler to help himself to a drink of milk. But if the traveler offers to buy it from them, they fly into a rage!

a rollicking good time, decided to absorb observations by declaring Dec. 25 the official birthday.

U.S. Freedom Christmas Gift December 1776

Our religious freedoms are sometimes lightly regarded by certain Americans today, but back in the days when our country was very young, the freedom to worship as we pleased was one of the hard-fought victories of the Revolution.

The foundation for the preservation of the freedom to celebrate such beliefs as Christmas — this was the gift to our country on that very day in December 1776.

It happened when George Washington and his men won the battle at Trenton... that was the beginning of a long line of victories that eventually led to ultimate victory and total independence, along with complete religious freedom.

As the saying goes, "If we would but light one candle, what a bright world this would be!"

Whatever else is lost among the years

Let us keep Christmas. Its meaning never ends

Whatever doubts assail us or what fears,

Let us hold close this day

Remembering friends.



DRESSING THE QUEEN

Once, it was customary for people to give their country rulers clothing for Christmas, and Queen Elizabeth I acquired a large part of her wardrobe this way, historians say.

CHOOSING LOG

Ash was the wood chosen for some of the first Yule logs because Christmas lore said that the Christ Child had bathed and dried before an ash-wood fire.



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Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a horse and saddle and reins but not of all bring me a mine-ake.
Scott Baucum

Dear Santa,
I want a baby doll. And a patch and a sewing machine, and a talking doll. And a

Barbie doll. And a ring. And a dress. And a maxie. And a new coat. And some boots
And a
Cindy Fulenwider

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Barby Doll and Bells and some flash cards, Please bring me a new yellow bike too. And bring me a new watch too. Merry Christmas.
Kelly Criswell



"I'VE BEEN GOOD ALL YEAR, SANTA!" seems to be what Mrs. Gaston's first grade students are saying. Left to right, Bart Belew, Sylvia Posada, Michael Glass, Kelley Walden, Michael James, and Christie Laing.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a horse and a trampoline.
Sherry.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a shirt and some pants and some for my brother Richard Manuel and don't forget the other children.
Lorenzo Montreal

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a "Velvet" doll and motorbike. I have bin good, and how are you raindear doing, and I have a present for you. hava a Merry Christmas.
Love
Angela

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a horse set and raffle, hat, vest, shirt, chaps, and pants, and two bike one boy and one girl.
Thank you,
By Maurice Hood

Santa Claus,
I want some dishes and some baby dresses and a bottle and a record player, a telephone and some soap and bathtub and a ring and some gloves and a Christmas tree and rocking chair.
Opal Clemens

To Santa Claus,
A bicycle, a book some shoes to bring to my house.
Rosalinda Montiel



Warmest Wishes

May health, happiness and good cheer enter your home this Christmas and remain there for years to come.

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Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll and watch. Please do not forget my sisters. And my mommy and dady. And I love you santa claus.
Michael Ann Field Box 206

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a set of guns and guitar, coat and cap and train. Please remember all the other girls and boys.
From,
Michael Shane Webb

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a barbie doll and a puppy dog that wags its tail and walks.
From Melinda

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Lazy Dazy and Malibu Ken and Cradle. I've been good. I love you, do you love me? Jody has been

good too.
Love
Roan and Jody

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a organ and tipewrite.
From
Irina

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Walke Takes and Hakma.
Love and please
Oscar

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a little racing car and raffle. I would like a pare of roler skates and a game kalled twister.
Yours trully,
Michael Rivas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a record and a horse. Boots, cowboy hat farm set.

Dot forget my sisters and brothers. Think you Santa Clas
Bobby

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a watch and boots. I've been a good girl.
Love, Joy Parish

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll and puppie.
Gola Morris

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll and dollhouse.
From Gayle

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a guitar and sleepingbag. "Rock'em Sock'em" smash-up cars. I've been a good boy. Don't forget my friends house.
Rocky Lunsford

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a watch and a flashlight and a truck and cars. And bring me a book of Santa Claus.
From: Joe Sauseda

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a airplane and two cars. I've been good.
Love,
Eddie

GREETINGS

Best wishes of the festive season from all of us to everyone, everywhere!

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How to Keep Yule Plants

Yes, those cherished holiday plants can keep on growing into next year.

As a tropical plant, poinsettias like plenty of water and warmth—70 to 80 degrees. Be sure to keep these plants in a warm place at night.

Though they blaze with fiery-red-colored balls, Jerusalem cherries are rather cool natured. For them, the temperature should be held at 60 to 65 degrees. Avoid over-watering.

Greens Have Meaning

Greens that adorn home, streets and stores at holiday time entered the lore of Christmas from pagan rites of old.

The ancients believed that each green had its own significance, and an ability to do certain good—or evil—things.

Ivy, they thought, was festive. Its convivial nature came from Bacchus.

Yew and cypress had the highest virtues. Theirs was the quality, and the symbol, of eternal life.



IT'S BEGINNING TO LOOK A LOT LIKE CHRISTMAS! Mrs.

Lois Moore's first grade students are shown in front of the tree and fire place that they decorated. Left to right, Denise Price, Lisa Hood, Tony Jones, Kerri Tunnell, Frank Gonzales and Christine Scott.

Wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger, the Christ Child came into the world to lead the way to peace, love and happiness.



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Of Christmas

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shoes by the fireside every evening, together with a carrot or a slice of bread for the white mare which the saint traditionally rides over the roof-tops in Holland.

St. Nicholas (the originator of all the Santa and Snowmen figures all over the world) arrives in Holland from Spain in the middle of November. From then until Dec. 6, the Saint's birthday, Dutch children may put their

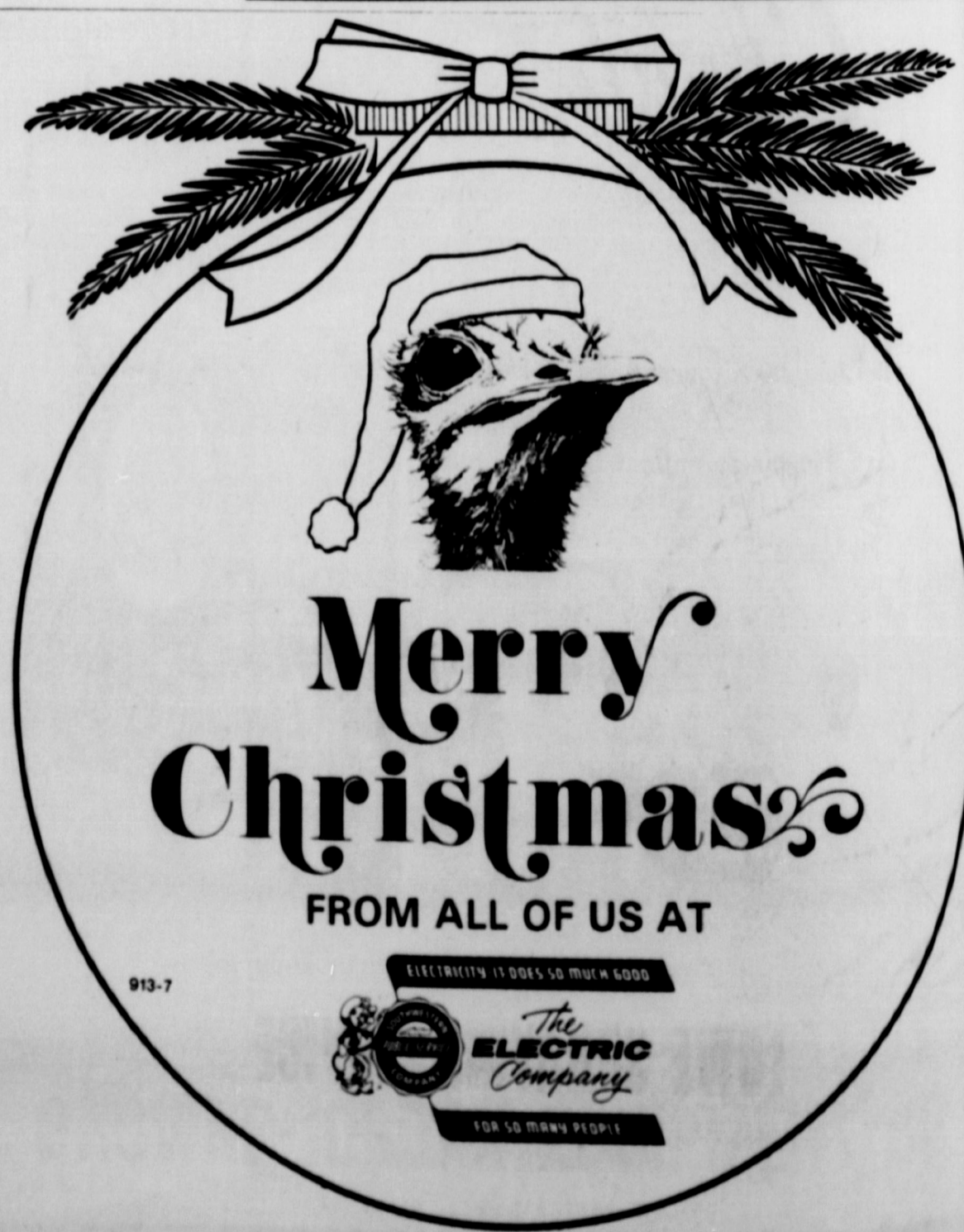


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