

Merry Christmas . . .



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CHRISTMASTIME

in EARTH



THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT — Is revealed in the Britton home. Will Santa Claus bring guns, trucks, John Deere tractor, dolls, dishes and all the other things a little boy and little girls wish for. Left to right Mrs. Harold Britton, Susie, Beverly, Jan, Brian and Harold Britton.



WONDER WHAT'S IN THESE PACKAGES — Just counting each day until Christmas. The time of year when both children and grown-ups rejoice. These children with happy faces are children of Mr. and Mrs. Welton Barton. Left to right Debbie, Welda, Craig and Karen.



HOME SWEET HOME — While mother reads a Christmas story, the whole family gathers around her. This is a typical family scene during the holiday season. Pictured are Supt. and Mrs. Bill Mann, Steven, Jimmie, Patti and Thomas.



CHRISTMAS DINNER — When families go to grandparents house, for a good dinner and good times. Happy family gatherings are long remembered. A Christmas dinner will be enjoyed in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clayton. Left to right Mrs. Fred Clayton, Donny Henderson, Norman Clayton, Leland Henderson, Mrs. Leland Henderson, Vicki Lowery, Sandra Henderson, Fred Clayton, Sherry Lowery, Mrs. Boyd Lowery and Boyd Lowery, who cannot be seen in the picture.



Happy New Year . . .

HD Christmas Party Held At Big Square Community

The annual Christmas party and dinner of the Big Square HD club was held Tuesday night in the Big Square community building.

A baked ham dinner with all the trimmings was served from a candle lighted table.

Games of 42 was played throughout the evening.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hastings, Mr. and Mrs. Noble Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Anthony, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Gamblin, Mr. and Mrs. Wes Anthony, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Lowe, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Booth and Janie Mae, Mrs. Dudley Winters and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Ott, Terry and Terrell, Mr. and Mrs. Dent Bradley, Kay and Ray, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Jones, Judy and Joyce,

Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Layman, Janis and LaHonda, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin O'Hair and children, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Behrends, David and Mary, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Chance, Patsy, Julie and Stevie.

All the Big Square community is invited to a 42 New Year's Eve party, Wednesday, December 31 at the Big Square community building.

CORRECTION WEDDING DATE

Due to a typographical error, the wedding date of Miss Jeanette Faulkenberry to Jimmy Hadaway will be December 28 at 5 p.m. in the First Baptist Church in Seagraves.

Newcomers

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Bell and little son of Lubbock have moved into their new home on north 4th St.

Bell is employed at the Kasinger Radio and TV Shop. He has recently been discharged from the U. S. Air Force.

To Our Subscribers

Our Office Will Be Closed December 25 - 26 - 27

We are combining our Christmas and New Year's edition of the Earth News - Sun and wish to announce that there will not be another issue printed until January 8, 1959.

ROSS L. MIDDLETON
Publisher

Women's Page



MR. AND MRS. EUGENE GRIFFIN
(Formerly Miss Molly Inglis)

Inglis-Griffin Vows Exchanged at Home

Nuptials were read at 10 a.m. Saturday, December 20 at home for Miss Molly Faye Inglis and Eugene Griffin. Rev. Hurd, pastor of the Rocky Ford Baptist Church and Rev. Cecil Meadows, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Earth, officiated.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Inglis of Earth and Mr. and Mrs. Lige Griffin of Amherst.

The ceremony was read before an arch of candelabra, white carnations and blue bows.

Miss Linda Lawrence, pianist presented traditional nuptial music, accompanied by Mrs. Earl Parish, who sang "I Love You Truly" and "The Lord's Prayer."

Given in marriage by her brother, Gerald Inglis, the bride wore a ballerina length white satin gown, fashioned with an overskirt

of chiffon over tulle over satin. The shirred chiffon long waisted bodice came to a point at the back neckline, accented with satin bows and cap sleeves. A shirred chiffon, seeded pearl headdress held her veil. She carried a bridal bouquet of blue carnations with white and blue streamers atop a white Bible.

Bridesmaid was Miss Allene Griffin of Amherst, sister of the bridegroom, who wore a blue sheath dress with a white carnation corsage. Candlelighter was Miss Sharon Wheatley.

Gerald Inglis, brother of the bride served as best man.

A reception was held in the din-

ing room, immediately following the ceremony.

The table was laid with a white linen table cloth over 100 years old, and used for five generations wedding reception. The cloth belongs to Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Weaver, grandparents of the bridegroom. A two tiered wedding cake centered the table. Misses Sharon Wheatley and Linda Lawrence assisted in hospitalities.

For a short wedding trip, the bride chose a mouton fur collared two piece light blue wool suit with beige accessories.

The bride is a senior student at the Springlake High School.

The bridegroom is a graduate

Honored With Bridal Shower

A bridal shower honoring Molly Inglis, bride-elect of Eugene Griffin was held Tuesday evening, December 11 in the dining hall of the First Baptist Church.

Miss Sue Cole registered the guests and Mrs. Eldon Davis was of the Amherst High School and will be engaged in construction work. They will make their home in Earth.

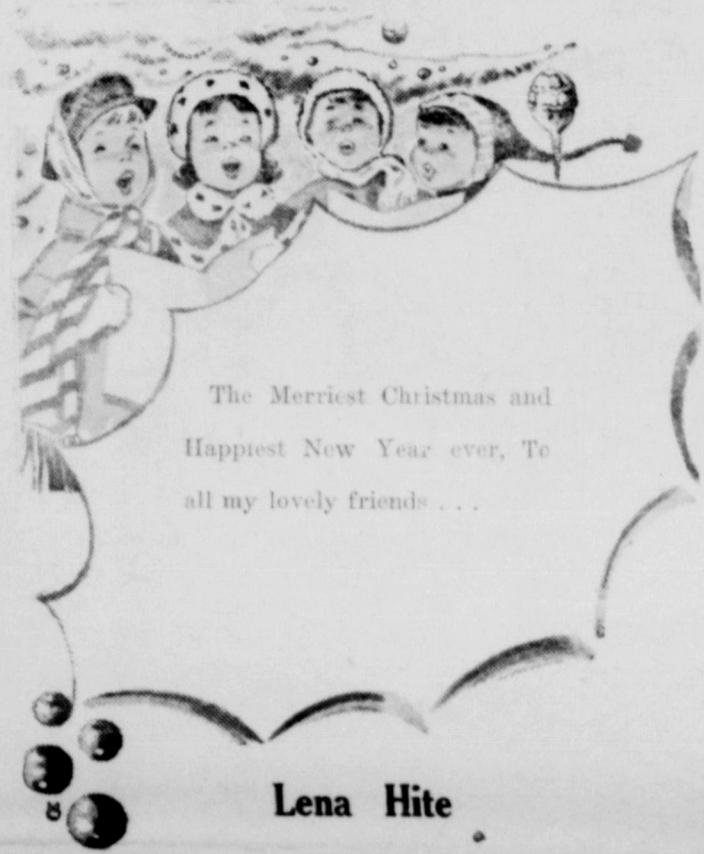
in charge of the entertainment.

The Christmas motif was carried out in the decorations. Misses Linda Elberidge and Margaret Meadows presided at the serving table.

Refreshments of punch and cake was served.

Those assisting in hostess duties were Mesdames Raymond Cole, Eldon Davis, Clarence Kelley, Johnnie Haberer, Zeff Robnett, Marvin Sanders, John Laing, Truman Lowe, Paul Wood and Pete O'Hair.

Mr. and Mrs. John Achee, Sr., Nancy and John will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Byers, Sr. in Littlefield, Christmas.



The Enduring Magic of CHRISTMAS

We are ever enchanted by the Christmas magic, expressed in the Carols and by the Christmas Tree . . . by the church bells tolling out into the night on Christmas Eve. As radiant as the lights on the Yuletide tree, so may our friendship be. May it continue as enduring as that Spirit which has made Christmas live through all the ages.

Season's Greetings

TEXAS SESAME GROWERS, Inc.
GRAIN ELEVATOR

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+ SUNSET + DRIVE IN THEATRE

THURSDAY — FRIDAY
Alan Ladd
Olivia DeHavilland
—in—
PROUD REBEL

—SATURDAY—
Stewart Granger
Barbara Rush
HARRY BLACK
AND THE TIGER

SUNDAY and TUESDAY
Closed Monday
Rossano Brazzi
Joan Fontaine
Bradford Dillman
—in—
A CERTAIN SMILE

—WEDNESDAY—
Lola Flores
Joaquin Cordero
—in—
LA FARAONA

+ EARTH + THEATRE

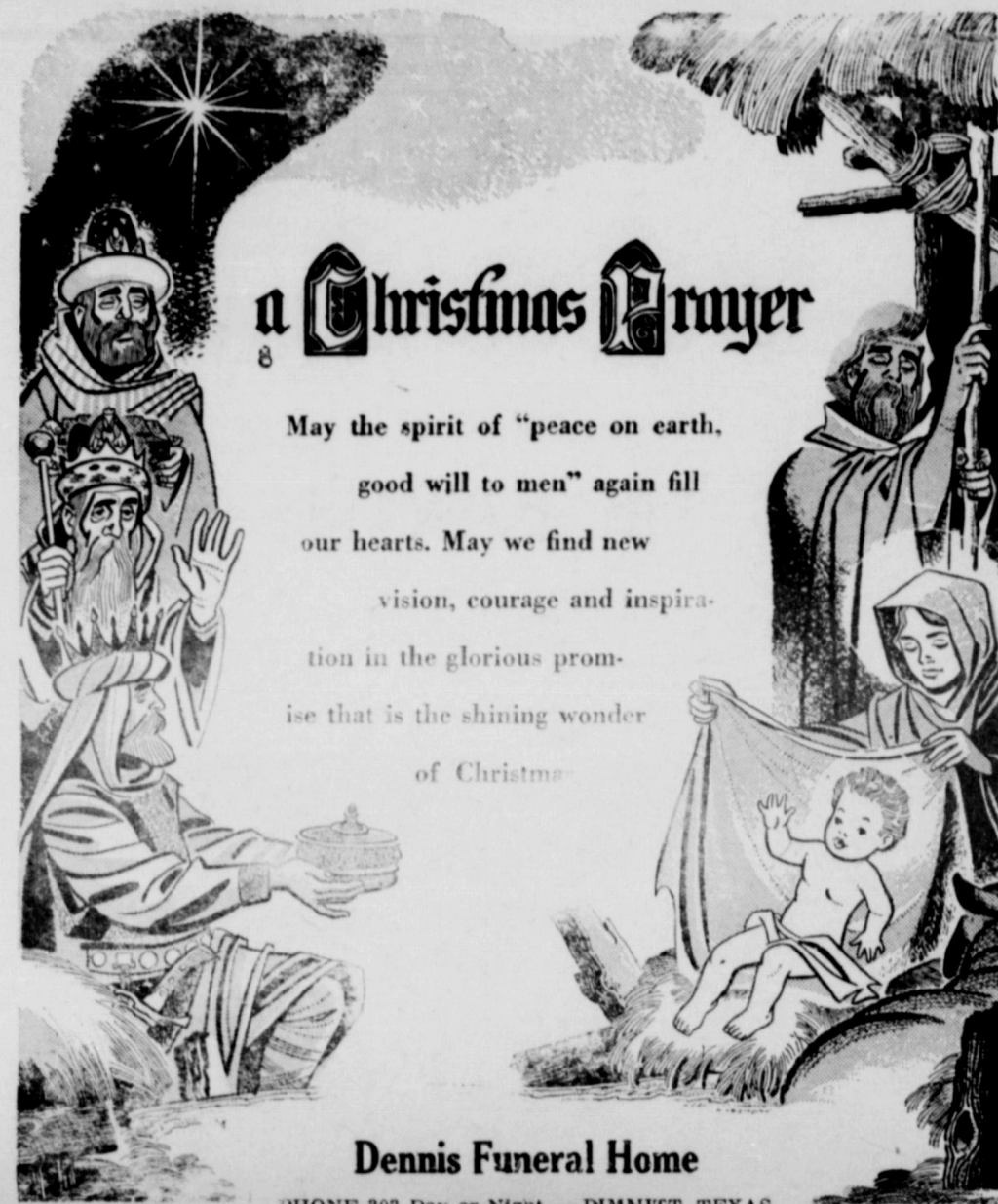
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Stewart Granger
Barbara Rush
—in—
HARRY BLACK
AND THE TIGER

—SATURDAY—
Elvis Presley
—in—
LOVE ME TENDER
—plus—
John Agar
ATTACK OF THE
PUPPET PEOPLE

SUNDAY AFTERNOON ONLY

Rossano Brazzi
Joan Fontaine
—in—
A CERTAIN SMILE
SUNDAY NIGHT ONLY
Carlos Thompson
EL ULTIMO
REBELDE

CLOSED
TUESDAY — WEDNESDAY
and New Year's Day



Santa Claus is sure to arrive on schedule

Old Kris Kringle always comes through for this family . . . with a beautiful load of the gifts that everyone wants most. Of course, this doesn't "just happen." It takes planning ahead and saving ahead by Dad and Mom. They've found that everything worth having is worth saving for!

OLTON STATE BANK

Member F. D. I. C.

OLTON, TEXAS

Christmas Program Presented At Good Earth Garden Club

A very impressive Christmas program was presented at the Good Earth Garden Club meeting, Tuesday evening in the home of Mrs. L. T. Smith. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Forrest Simmons and Mrs. A. E. Wheatley.

The program, entitled "Unto Us A Child," directed by Mrs. Melton Welch. Mrs. Bill Stockard assisted with music. The setting created a lighted star in the east.

The story of Jesus was portrayed by song and panorama. The cast was composed of Mrs. Bobby Free, Mary; Mrs. Forrest Simmons, Joseph; Mrs. J. A. Littleton, Sr., Mrs. A. K. Shelby and Mrs. C. O. Taylor, wisemen and shepherds; Linda and Joyce Starkey and June Taylor, children.

Gifts were exchanged and secret pals were revealed. Names were drawn for the coming year.

A Christmas centerpiece by Mrs. Bill Stockard, centered the serving table. Mrs. Clyde Davis and Mrs. Roney Smith served refreshments of chicken cream puffs, cranberry sauce, fruit cake and whipped cream and coffee.

Members attending were Mesdames L. Z. Anglin, W. H. Braiden, B. Campbell, Lena Hite, Billy Homer Hodge, Gay Kelley, J. A. Littleton, Sr., Clarence Kelley, A. E. Patterson, Wayne Rutherford, Marvin Sanders, A. K. Shelby, W. R. Stockard, C. O. Taylor, Bill Stockard, John Welch, Melton Welch, E. R. Hawkins, Sam Cearley and Bruce Higgins. Visitors were Mrs. Bobby Free, Muleshoe; Mrs. Clyde Davis, Mrs. Roney Smith, Mrs. Harvey Hickman, Mrs. R. C. Cole, June Taylor, Sharon Wheatley, Linda Lawrence, Joyce and Linda Starkey.

Party Line....

The Young Peoples Training Union class of the First Baptist Church enjoyed a noonday dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Angeley, Sunday, December 14.

Rose pinks, blue green, chartreuse and other pastel colors instead of holly red and ivy green will add variety to holiday decorations in your home.



Voices of the Girls' High School Chorus was heard at the Band Concert Friday night. Left to right Mary Jane Shirey, Judy Wood, Jay Meeks, Sharon Wheatley, Linda Rose and Linda Lawrence.

Paul's Super Mkt. Party Line... Personnel Feted With Dinner Party

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wood entertained the employees of Paul's Super Market with a dinner, Thursday evening in their home.

Games of 42 were played following the dinner.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Cole, Sue and Donna, Harry Maze, Barbara Lay, Linda Waide, Kermit Martin, Lee Oden, Truman Layman, LaVaughn Fox and Tracy Angeley, Judy Wood, the hostess and hostess.

Party Line.....

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Leonhart of Augusta, Ga. will arrive this week to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Reid and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Leonhart and other relatives.

Party Line...

Mr. and Mrs. Raby Kellogg will have as their guests Christmas Day Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Cooper, Richard and Dewayne of Carlsbad, N. M. and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Smith and children of Amherst.

Sue Neal and Mary Lou McCord, students at S. M. U. are spending the Christmas and New Year Holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Neal and Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCord.

Ernie Watkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Watkins is spending the holidays at home. Ernie is a student at Baylor University.

Mr. and Mrs. James Powell of San Diego are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Powell and Mr. and Mrs. Ezell Sadler of Sunnyside.

Mrs. Lena Hite left Friday for Philadelphia, Pa. to spend the holidays with her daughter and family, Commander and Mrs. C. J. Ricketts and also a niece, Mr. and Mrs. Yelgerton, of North Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Montgomery visited with Mr. and Mrs. Andy Davis in Melrose, N. M. Thursday.

Christmas Party For First Baptist Primary Classes

A Christmas party was held Tuesday afternoon for the Primary department of the First Baptist Church.

The Christmas story was told by Mrs. Marvin Huff.

Games were played. Gifts were presented to each child by the teachers.

Refreshments of hot chocolate, doughnuts and candy canes were served.

Approximately 50 children attended the party.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation and gratitude to all our many friends and neighbors for their floral offerings, cards of sympathy, food, visits and prayers during the death of our loved one. We will never forget you. May God bless you all.

Mrs. J. E. Busby,
Mr. and Mrs. V. O. Busby and Sharon,
Mr. and Mrs. James Busby and children.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am 7 years old, I am in room 12. I want a Bride Doll for Christmas. I want a baton, I want some games, I want an Eskimo coat. I want a pogo stick. I have been a good girl this year.

Love
DEBREA HILEEN CURTIS

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clayton, Norman and Boyd will spend the Christmas holidays in San Antonio visiting with relatives.

Mrs. Mildred Ellerman of San Antonio has arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Irvine to spend the Christmas holidays.



O, Holy Night



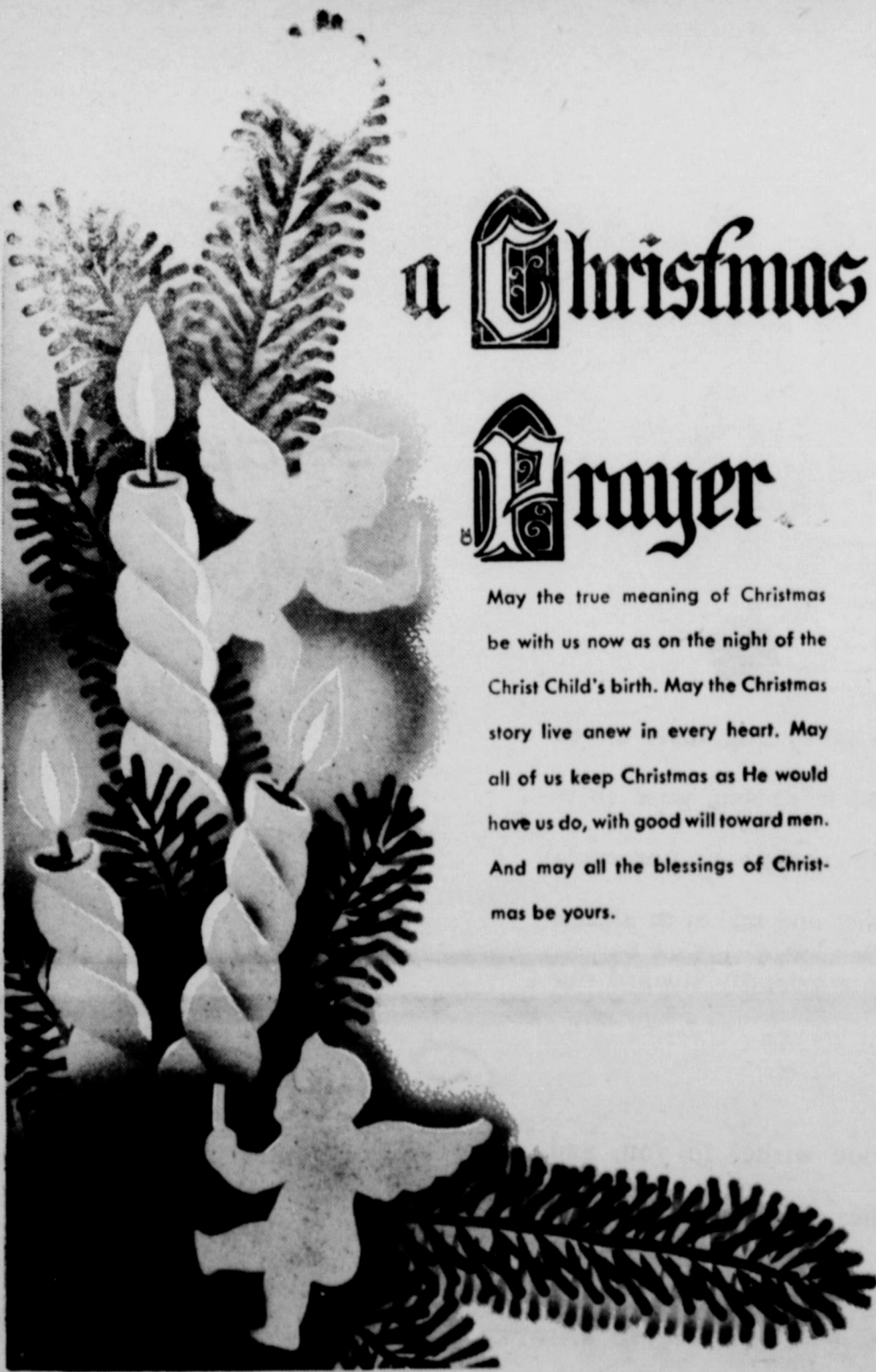
As you celebrate the Birthday of Him, who was born in Bethlehem upon the Holy Night of long ago, may the true spirit of Christmas surround you and your loved ones, lifting your hearts anew with its glorious promise of "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."

Bailey County Electric Cooperative Association

(A locally owned, managed and tax paying farm organization)

a Christmas Prayer

May the true meaning of Christmas be with us now as on the night of the Christ Child's birth. May the Christmas story live anew in every heart. May all of us keep Christmas as He would have us do, with good will toward men. And may all the blessings of Christmas be yours.



MEDICAL ARTS CLINIC - HOSPITAL
LITTLEFIELD, TEXAS



Lazbuddie News . .

by MRS. CLYDE MONK

An early Christmas dinner was held Saturday, December 20 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Embry. Present for the celebration besides the Embrys were Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Wilterding, Miss Dotie Wilterding from Muleshoe; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hooten and family, YL community, and Mr. and Mrs. Reece Wilterding and children from Tullia. Some of the family planned to be away on Christmas, so they celebrated early.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Steinbock, Jenny and Buster left by train to spend the holidays at Edwards, Calif. with a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Whalin and girls.

Johnny Gammon and Jim Roy Daniels came in over the weekend from Southwestern State University at Stillwater, Okla. to spend the holidays. They will return to school about the 5th of January.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Cooper and young son, Timmie left Friday af-

ternoon to spend the holidays at Marshall, Ark. with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Blain Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. Doyne Watts.

Mrs. Lylis Kaiser from Santa Barbara, Calif. is spending this week with her Parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Treider, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Chitwood, Dick and Pat left the middle of last week to visit her father, Mr. and Mrs. Miriam Goss in Hollywood, Florida through the holidays.

The annual Nowell reunion was held in Lovington, N. M. on Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ardis Nowell. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nowell and family came up from Quanah and spent Friday night

visiting Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Nowell. Then on Saturday both families went to Lovington along with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Nowell, Johnny and Jan and Katherine Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoyard Carpenter, Jimmie and Sussie left Saturday for Arlington to visit a few days with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Conley.

They planned to return home Wednesday evening.

Jerry Gleason came in over the weekend from Texas A and M where he is a senior student, to spend the holidays with his folks the Truman Gleasons.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bond and boys are spending the holidays in Shamrock with her mother, Mrs. Lizzie Scruggs and in Pampa with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Black and children left the first of the week to spend Christmas with her relatives in Hugo, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Ward and three boys left Friday afternoon to spend the vacation time with his parents, the John Wards at Aspermont, and with her mother, Mrs. E. B. Jones at Bennington, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Burch, Kirby and Debbie left Saturday to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Burch and Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Durbin at Maud, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Slayton and Jeanette are visiting this week in Decatur with his father, C. H. Slayton.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Watkins, Dean and Coretta left Monday for Baton Rouge, La. to spend the holidays with their son and brother, the Sike Watkins family.

Mrs. W. B. Menefee is spending this week in Corpus with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Scott Menefee and family. She was accompanied by her daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Syms from Albuquerque and Mrs. Ruth Long and children from Hereford.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Gustin and Ronnie left on Thursday by train for Houston where his son, Geoffrey Gustin will meet them and take them on to Lake Charles, La. to spend the holidays with the Geoffrey Gustin family. Gustin is stationed there in the Air Force.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Young and boys, Cooper and Steve left Wednesday for Port Aransas where

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Broyles and Eugene from Amarillo left Tuesday of this week for Indio, Calif. to visit with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bonds. They also plan to visit in Los Angeles and Ventura, and to remain over for the Rose Bowl parade and game.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Herron and Cynthia spent last weekend in Lubbock visiting relatives.

SEASON'S Greetings



Joyfully we
join the merry carolers
warmly wish
our wonderful friends
and patrons a
Happy Holiday Season.

Lorene - Yvonne
Springlake
Beauty Salon

The Christmas Season is a glorious season when everyone finds happiness. We cast cares aside, relax, and rejoice in the happiness we can bestow, rather than in the happiness which we receive. Warmth and good feeling spreads across the earth. The Spirit of Good Fellowship and Friendship prevails. It's a time to say, "Merry Christmas. May the joys of this Happy Season be yours in the fullest measure."



FIRST NATIONAL BANK

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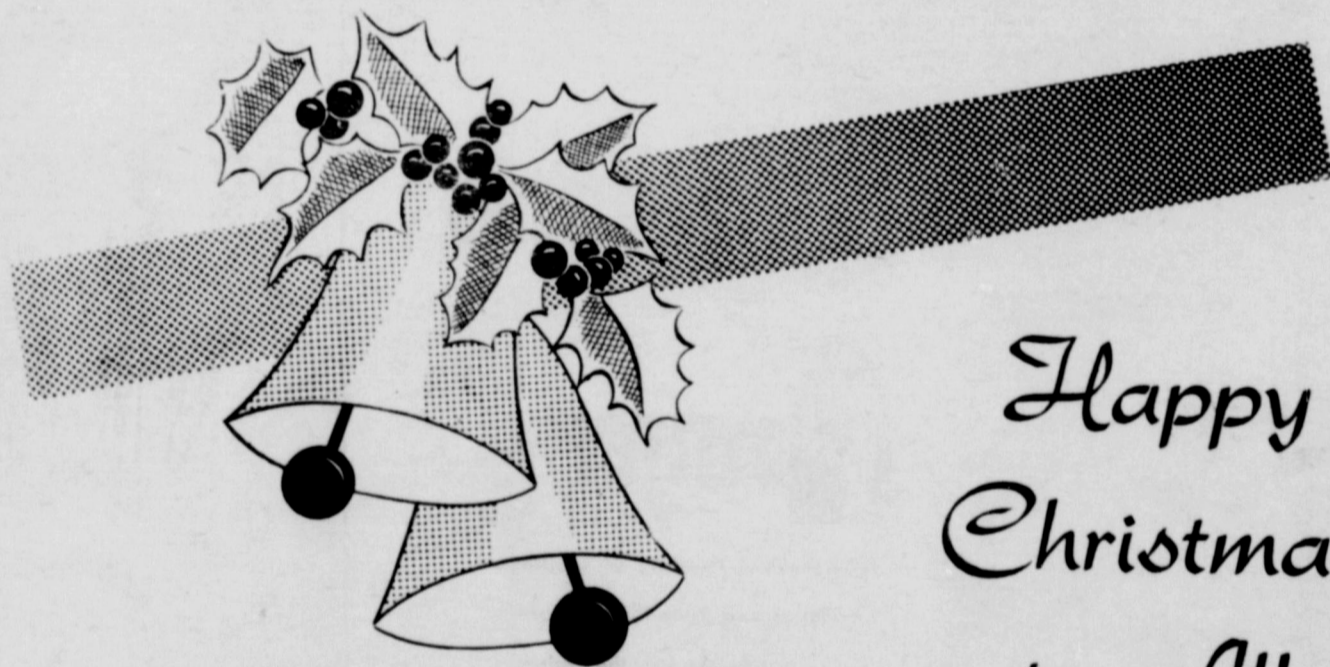


a Christmas Wish

Across the years, the message of the Star of Bethlehem shines into our hearts, our homes, our churches. With you we share the heartfelt wish for enduring peace and good will to call.

WEST PLAINS HOSPITAL

MULESHOE, TEXAS



Happy
Christmas
to All
and to
All a
Good Night!

Christmas brings much happiness to our daily lives — good fellowship, good cheer and kindness. It strengthens our confidence in each other and makes us all feel happier and more friendly toward our fellowman.

Our heartiest good wishes to you, and yours, for a Joyous and Merry Christmas.

THANKS! FOR YOUR PATRONAGE, WE ENJOYED WORKING WITH YOU!

Campbell Cotton Gin, Inc.

DODD COMMUNITY



GEORGE GILMORE

Young Cowboy From Boy's Ranch Spending Christmas Here With Mother

A young cowhand from Cal Farley's famous Boys Ranch near Amarillo, Texas, will be spending the Christmas holidays in Earth. He is George Gilmore.

Boys Ranchers are encouraged to keep whatever home ties they have, and since the boys especially want to see their mothers at the Christmas Season, arrangements are made each year for them to go home. Many of the 250 boys who call Boys Ranch their home have no actual homes of their own, and some of these go with buddies who do have home, or with people from Amarillo and the surrounding area with whom they have become acquainted. For those who have no place at all to go, Boys

Ranch takes them on a trip so that they, too, will have something to talk about at the end of vacation.

George will stay in Earth through the holidays and will return to Boys Ranch January 3.

Party Line....

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Martin left Saturday to visit their sons, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Martin in Ralls and Rev. and Mrs. James Martin in Brownwood; enroute to Houston to spend three months and visit their son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Martin, Jr. and family and Mr. and Mrs. John Hnatek and daughter.

Lazbuddie News . . .

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Hutchins and children from Clarendon, N. M. spent the weekend with her sister, the Willie Steinbocks and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Pendergrass they will spend the holidays, fishing and vacationing.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilbanks and Paul and Mr. and Mrs. Arvil Lawrence and Smitty are in Marshall, Ark. this week visiting relatives and friends.

and Susan are spending the holidays this week in Abilene with her mother, Mrs. Nancy Heester and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Fanner and children are in Sayre, Okla. with her mother and other relatives this week.

Those from this community attending the annual Christmas party at Portales by the Christian Childrens home were Mr. and Mrs. Duane Darling and family, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Minims and family, Mr.

and Mrs. Dalton Minims and girls, R. A. Hartsell and Mary, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Smallwood and girls,

Mr. and Mrs. Tanchre Hall, Mrs. Eddie Joe Holt and Brenda. This party is sponsored each year by the Muleshoe Church of Christ.

Frederick Byers is spending the holidays in Ryan, Okla. with his family.

Party Line...

Carol Hamilton and Wayne M. Rutherford, students at Tech are home for the holidays. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. and Mrs. Wayne Rutherford.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Neal will serve Christmas dinner to their family Christmas day, which includes, Mr. and Mrs. Max Neal of Lubbock; Sue Neal of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Stephens and Steve.

Dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cearley, Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Davis of Albuquerque, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Mervyn Cearley and children of Lovington, N. M.; Lt. and Mrs. Don Davis and children and Mr. and Mrs. David Cearley and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Middleton, Polly Jean and Philip Ross will spend the Christmas and New Year holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Middleton, and Mrs. Stella Holt and other relatives in Bokleville, Okla.

Springlake "B"

Teams Split Games With Hart

Springlake "B" basketball teams played Hart Thursday evening in Springlake's gym and broke even with the girls winning 29 to 27 while the boys dropped a close one.

The boys game was a close one with 18 points followed by Kay Wheat with 16 and Linda Murrell with 6 points.

The boys game was a close one with a strong drive late in the game to overtake Hart, but it fell three points short.

A. M. McGowan led Springlake scoring with 17 points, followed by Norman Clayton 9, Stanley Irvine 8, Hal Hudson 2 and Bobby Sloan 1.

This winds up the basketball for Springlake until after the holidays. The Wolverines will play in the Amherst tournament beginning January 6 and then open district play against Anton January 9 in Anton.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Henderson, Sandra and Danny will visit relatives and visit points of interest in California during the holidays.

OLD-FASHIONED CHRISTMAS Wishes



To all our friends, we extend warm wishes for a Holiday that is full of love and joy. A Merry Christmas to all!

Roach Laundry

Springlake, Texas

Christmas Greetings

ONCE again we come to this all-important season of the year. It seems we eagerly await the Christmas season more than ever because we believe we are more closely associated with our many friends in this community. It is our sincere wish that Christmas this year will bring forth an abundance of happiness to each of you. You have been good to us in every respect and we are truly grateful.

HAPPY HOLIDAY

GREETING FROM

Tellyer Pipe Co.

OF LITTLEFIELD AND MULESHOE, TEXAS
G. A. WHITE Manager

Season's

Numerous indeed are the hearts to which Christmas brings a season of peace. But it is into those hearts where overflowing goodness continually goes out to others that Christmas brings a full measure . . . and a sharing of the joy they experience at all seasons of the year. May you be among those who enjoy Christmas the year 'round . . . for the spirit of Christmas is a part of our lives now and ever.

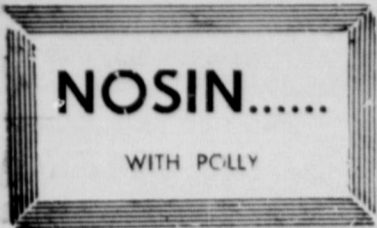
Greetings

CREAM 'O PLAINS

OF HEREFORD

"Look For The Gallon Jug"





Folks, this is your combined Christmas and New Year's issue. We have decided this year to make your holiday a more happy experience, by not publishing a January 1 issue. We have never before been so considerate to our subscribers, but we've found from experience that trying to get news or advertising, or even the time of day is a task right after Christmas. Have you any idea how upset a merchant can be when he's over-spent for Christmas. Christmas purchases were lower than he had anticipated and his favorite ball team has just lost, plus the fact that he's suffering from days of overeating, just walking in the door with a cheery "Hello" one could get a sneer. But up until Christmas we've never seen such a friendly, unselfish bunch of purely wonderful people.

That is why we want to quit while we're ahead. I might add, we're a bit tired and this is the only time Ross has consented to take off and rest and spend a few days with his parents.

In proof reading the letters from the small fry to Santa Claus, we couldn't help but notice, I've tried to be good and I believe I've been good Santa Claus.

I wonder how many of we grown-ups have taken inventory on ourselves to see how good we have been the past year.

Not only how good, but what good have we done. Do you ever think of sharing or sacrificing something you want, or ask your children to do without one thing that you might give to some child or family, or some elderly couple who will not have the money to buy things they need.

Darlie Williamson found a new meaning to Christmas. In reading one of the Christmas letters, she found a little boy who asked for a pair of shoes. She told her Sunday School class about this, they donated and bought shoes for the boy. Her husband chipped in and got him a toy. That's, a real Christmas gift, one given to someone we don't even know.

Well, I've completely succumbed to that Christmas spirit. It attacked me Saturday week and has not left me since. I can just feel myself running upon Mom's porch and having her throw her arms around me as if I'm the most valuable thing in the world, and my feeling of thankfulness in my heart of still having such a wonderful and grand friend as my mother. Moms always have a way of making their kids contented and happy, and frankly has spoiled us all, but somehow no matter how old we get we humans never outgrow the need to be loved and valued high in the eyes of those we love.

Spending Christmas with families has always been important to us, and as we bow our heads at the Christmas dinner with the table surrounded by loved ones, some whose hair has greyed a

bit from year to year, we have that contented feeling mingled with sincere thankfulness for the reunion once again of those near and dear to us. Our children have grown up with the idea of going to Maw's as our ideal Christmas.

New Phone Books Now Ready To Be Distributed

The most widely used book in Earth is being distributed this week.

"It's the new telephone directory, bigger and better than ever," says R. E. Saunders, district manager for the General Telephone Company of the Southwest. "with more names, more Yellow Pages, and more information." The color of this new book has also been changed.

Saunders has this suggestion about the replacement of your old directory: "Leaf through the old book. You may find something valuable in it. Folks have found money, important letters, notes, as well as cherished addresses in their telephone directories. And while you are going through the old directory, you'll want to transfer the frequently called numbers you have written to the new book."

"Housewives and homeowners will be especially pleased with the new Yellow Pages this year," Saunders continued. "The new classified section of the telephone directory has been expanded to give better identification to the different types and classes of businesses."

Saunders pointed out that the inside back cover has space provided for frequently called numbers; information to simplify long distance calling is listed in the front section; and there is a great deal more interesting information than ever before.

Sheriff to Enforce Speed Limit During Holidays

Deputy Sheriff V. L. Smith Jr. reports a fairly quiet weekend. He stated that he would be on duty long hours during the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

Deputy Smith said, he hoped we could keep it quiet, that officers will enforce the speed limit and try to cut down on accidents in this area, as well as driving while intoxicated.

Two DWI's were jailed at Earth and Olton Sunday night by Smith. One was arrested on U. S. Highway 70 in Earth, the other near the city limits of Olton.

L. Donald C. Davis arrived Saturday to be with his family, after being a patient at the St. Albans Hospital in Long Island, N. Y. for the past four months.

Springlake Fire Truck Fund Nearing \$3,000 Mark This Week

The Springlake Fire Truck fund drive will get underway again following the Christmas holidays. However the campaign is still open to anyone who would like to send in their donations.

According to Mayor Ralph Rudd, approximately \$3000 has been contributed with checks still coming in.

Citizens are striving to reach the goal for this much needed project. A building has been purchased to house the fire equipment. 1300 feet of hose has also been purchased by the city recently.

The building has been repaired and is in readiness for fire equipment.

Teen - Age Couple Arrested Near Springlake Sat.

A Teen-age couple, a boy and his girl friend from Maine, were arrested near Springlake Saturday morning in connection with the theft of an insect exterminator firm's truck in Clovis.

Deputy Sheriff V. L. Smith, Jr. of Earth, accompanied Sheriff West and Capt Lee Williams of Clovis in aiding in the arrest by flying over the area trying to spot the couple.

Deputy Smith said, "the truck was wrecked in a chase with Highway Patrolmen. The pair fled from the truck, but was later picked up by Plainview Highway Patrolmen."

The two teenagers were arraigned in Lubbock Sunday on Federal charges of interstate transportation of a stolen car and later were jailed in lieu of bond.

Officers said the couple had stolen at least four cars in a spree that started last month in Maine.

Earth Grad Among Nominees For Most Handsome at W T S C

Jim Hadaway is among nominees for "Most Handsome" at West Texas State College. The nominees will be honored at the annual dance sponsored by Le Mirage, WT yearbook, next Wednesday night.

Six men and six women will be competing for the titles "Most Handsome" and "Most Beautiful." The El Armstrong Orchestra will be featured at the dance.

Hadaway, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hadaway of Earth, is a senior physical education major. He is a 1955 graduate of Springlake High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Denton Talbert, Donna Kay and Vicki Lynn of Pampa, Calif. will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Parish.

BULLETIN

Dimmitt Wheat Growers Association, Inc. have announced the purchase of land here to erect a 750,000 bushel elevator at a cost of more than \$500,000. Construction will begin January 15, 1959 and be completed in time for the 1959 wheat harvest.

Three Local Youths Complete Basic At Fort Carson

Three Earth youths, Pfc. Joe Edd Wheat, Pfc. Richard Moore and Pfc. Richard Green have completed their basic training at Fort Carson, Colo. and will report to various points January 5, 1959.

Wheat will report to Fort Bliss at El Paso; Moore to Fort Bragg, N. C. and Green to Fort Sill, Okla. All three attended the Springlake Schools and are spending the holidays with relatives here.

Earth Resident Serves Aboard USS Princeton

Milton Price, chief aviation boatswain's mate, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wix Price, Sr., of Earth and husband of the former Miss Nancy K. Sloan of Oakland, Calif., is serving aboard the anti-submarine aircraft carrier USS Princeton operating with the U. S. Seventh Fleet in the Western Pacific.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

Please bring me some Palladin guns and Palladin case and dagger and Palladin cards. Don't forget my little brother.

From
KELLEY O'HAIR

Wisian Home First In Springlake Home Lighting Contest

Mrs. Hilbert Wisian was named first place winner in the Christmas Lighting Contest sponsored by the Springlake Garden Club, Saturday night.

The Wisian home portrayed the Story of Bethlehem and a blue panel door holiday greeting. Second place was a Christmas Carol Choir scene by Mrs. Earl Parish at the Parish home.

Third place winner was Mrs.

Orlan Bibby which was a Christmas tree and lighted window. Honorable mention was the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bozeman, which was a Santa Claus, sleigh and reindeer scene.

The best decorated business prize of \$5.00 went to Ralph Rudd's Texaco Station, Nativity scene.

First prize was \$5.00, second prize \$3.00 and third prize \$2.00.

Judges were Mrs. Jimmy Jenkins, Mrs. Ann Blythe and Mrs. Archie Sorley all of Olton.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Clayton and Lisa will have Christmas dinner with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Caraway in Amherst. They will enjoy an evening dinner with his parents.

AMONG THOSE WHO ARE ILL!

Kathy Jo Winders, four months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Winders was admitted to the Littlefield Hospital and Clinic, Friday suffering from bronchitis.

J. S. Henderson is reported to be steadily improving at his home.

Poultry was first introduced to Texas by the early Spanish explorers and later by Anglo-American colonists.



CHRISTMAS



One of the deeply genuine joys of Christmas is that it gives us an opportunity to express appreciation to our many friends.

Each passing year brings us a higher evaluation of the friendships created by these pleasant associations.

So this Holiday Message brings you sincere good wishes for a very Merry Christmas.



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We extend to our many good friends a sincere wish for a Yuletide laden with a wealth of the good things in life. May every day be filled with the blessings of good health, happiness and warm friendships.

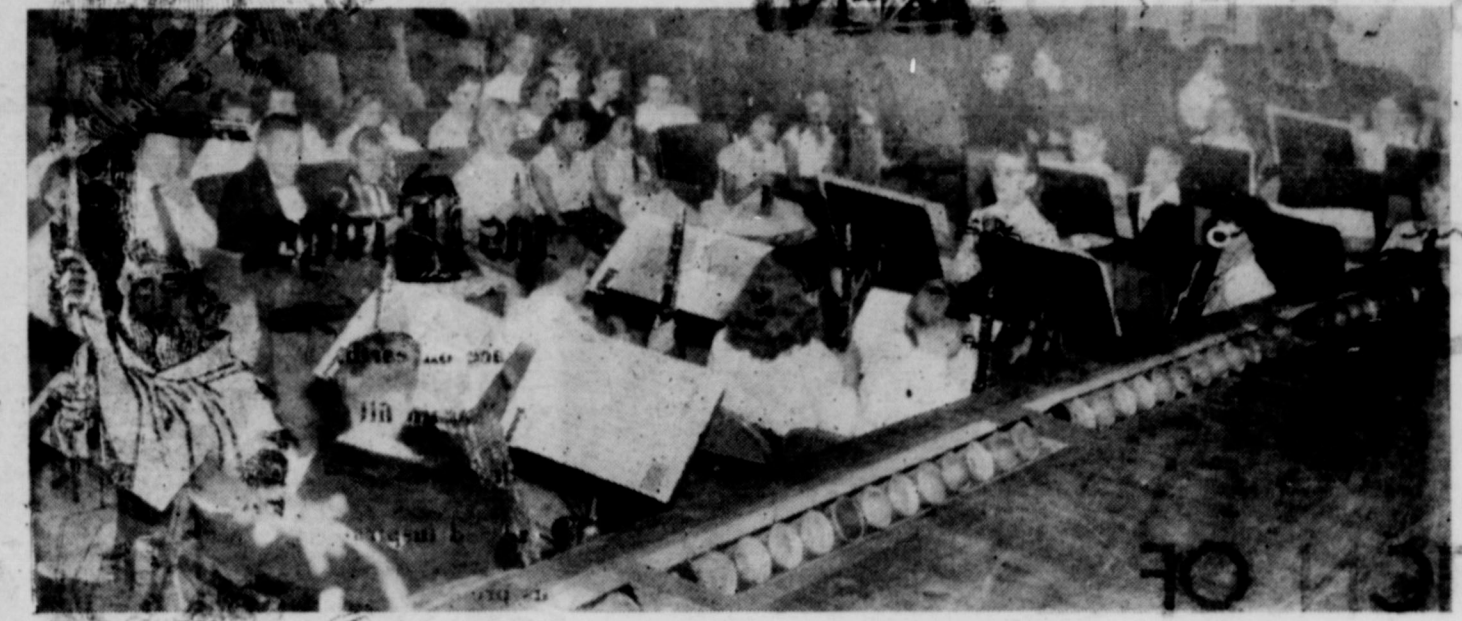
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FIRST CONCERT — The first concert of the 1st Division Wolverine Band was held Friday night in the High School Auditorium. The band has gained recognition from other schools and towns this year.



A FUTURE BAND — Two bands who appeared on the Wolverine Band Concert program. Pictured are members of the Tonette and Cub Bands.



A BIG LOT OF CHRISTMAS — Including the holiday Christmas card presented to Norman Hemphill, band director, also the High Fidelity record player presented by band members Friday night. Left to right: Layman Fox, Polly Jean Middleton, Tracy Angeley and Norman Hemphill.

Wolverine Band Holds First Concert

The first concert of the Springlake Wolverine Band was held Friday night in the High School Auditorium under the direction of Norman Hemphill.

Three selections were presented by the Tonettes and three by the Cub Band students, followed by the Girls High School Chorus.

Highlighting the concert was the crowning of the Band King and Queen, Sharon Wheatley and Lynn Holley. Princes and Princesses were Johnny Bob Lawrence, Ralph Wislan, Mary Jane Shirley and July Kay Wood.

Mrs. Norman Hemphill was made an honorary member of the band. For the outstanding achievement as director of the Springlake Band, students presented, Band Director Hemphill with a High Fidelity record player as a Christmas gift.

Concluding the concert, Christmas selection were played by the band accompanied by the Tonette and Cub Band.

Immediately following the Band Concert Friday night a Christmas party was held in the band hall for band students.

Gifts were exchanged by students. Refreshments of sandwiches and beverages were served.

A large number of parents and students attended.

TWO SPRINGLAKE GRADS COMPLETE COURSE AT DRAUGHON'S COLLEGE

Frances Cole and Pat Armstrong have completed their business course at Draughon's Business College in Lubbock.

Their plans are indefinite at this time.



KING AND QUEEN OF THE 1st DIVISION WOLVERINE BAND—Lynn Holley and Sharon Wheatley. Lynn is a senior student and Sharon is a junior.

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Way Of The Cross Leads Home

By W. E. IRVINE

Especially this time of the year people are thinking of home. They will make a special effort to spend the holidays with their family of loved ones "at home."

Yet, there is another home for which we should long with more fervor than any home upon this earth. This home is the "home of the soul," where we can be with God, Jesus and the angels of their power for all eternity.

The Bible teaches men have all sinned: "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). The Bible also says that nothing unclean or abominable shall enter this home, heaven. (Rev. 21st chapter) Therefore, man in his sinful condition cannot enter the home of the soul.

Then how may man have hope? The Bible says in Ephesians 1:7: "In whom we have our redemption, through his blood, the forgiveness of sins . . ." Where was this redemptive blood shed? In His death upon the cross of Calvary.

The Bible Teaches we must believe in this Christ the Son of God, and that He did come to die for our sins. (John 3:16). The Bible also teaches we must repent of our sins: "Except ye repent, ye shall likewise perish," said Jesus in Luke 13:3.

The Bible tells us how we come in contact with this Blood which will give us a home in Heaven. In Romans 6:3 we read: "Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized in His death?" Those who would leave baptism out of their life have also left out the Blood of Christ. For the bible says we are baptized into Christ's death, where His blood was shed. If baptism is unimportant, then where in the Bible does God tell us how to come in contact with the soul saving Blood of the Lamb?

Let us continue to read and study our Bibles that we may know how to have a home with God for all eternity.

SUNDAY	WEEK DAYS
10:00 a.m. — Bible Study Classes	TUESDAY — Ladies Bible Class — 10:00 a.m.
10:50 a.m. — General Assembly	WEDNESDAY — Midweek Service — 7:30 p.m.
6:00 p.m. — General Assembly	

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Springlake Colored School Activities

By LEROY MATTHEWS

Mrs. J. L. Hinson, brought clothes and men's shoes at the beginning of the school session. Mrs. M. E. Kelley and Mrs. Bonnie Haberer brought magazines and Mrs. Haberer promised to treat us to her trip to Europe. Mrs. R. A. AxteLL brought shoes for older boys in November and toys later.

American Education Week visitors were Mrs. Rohelen Johnson, Mrs. Glorvian Allen, Mrs. Hazel Ruffins, Mrs. Julia Mae McFadden, Rev. Clifford Jester, pastor of Springlake First Baptist Church and Rev. Cecil Meadows, pastor of Earth First Baptist Church.

We are having many activities this year. Some of them are Scouting and the Current Events Citizenship Club. The officers are Tommy T. Osborne, president; James White treasurer; Alfred Earl Nunn, asst. secretary and Leroy Matthews, secretary. We have at our disposal for reading weekly, My Weekly Readers for grades 1-6; bimonthly and monthly magazines; *Read Magazine*, *Our Times*.

NOTICE

IN ORDER THAT OUR EMPLOYEES MAY SPEND SOME TIME AT CHRISTMAS WITH THEIR FAMILIES, OUR OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED FROM CHRISTMAS DAY UNTIL MONDAY, DECEMBER 29TH.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

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Our sponsor is our second teacher, Mrs. Mary Dell T. Osborne. We are grateful that our sponsor and her sons share their personal magazines with us, and also for other magazines donated by the public. Our weekly newspapers are Earth News-Sun and the Oilton Enterprise from which we learn much about our community and neighboring town and county also a daily paper, Lubbock Avalanche and the Amarillo Daily News. Beginning January 5 each member of the Current Event Citizenship Club will prepare a news bulletin clippings display and give TV observation reports, at least once a week. Isaac John Osborne will give us two reviews from his "Children's Book Club" collection, Tall Tales of America and America on Parade adopted from American Heritage.

AUDIO VISUAL AIDS:

In Audio Visual Aids to our social studies we saw "Huckleberry Finn," after having heard the story from our teacher, and "Treasure Island."

In our health classes "Water," has come in for much study, its necessity to life, scarcity, purification or reclaiming for human consumption. This study was followed up by two movie pictures from the School Supervisor, Mr. Dock's collections. One picture was especially for the primary grades, "Where Rain Comes From," and one for the middle grades, "The Water Cycle," followed by a cartoon, "The Gray Squirrel."

Each member of the Club has read or is supposed to read at least one library book a week not connected directly with his school subjects. Tommy T. Osborne and I have surpassed this requirement.

A study of the Poll Tax System and Methods of voting was sponsored by our club, November 4. After the morning's purchasing of hectographed Poll Tax receipts were brought with play money, in the afternoon a real general election ballot was shown to all and discussed. On November 5, the upper grades saw us mark the ballot way the State of Texas voted the day before. The primary children were shown that voting is like choosing the right word in English.

ish or reading. Many of the parents commented favorably on this lesson as many of them have never had the experience. Poll Tax collectors were Burdine Nunn and Tommy T. Osborne.

Recently, Mrs. Osborne who is Mother of Pack 146 and adult leader for the Girl Scouts at our school, received commendations from the South Plains Council of the Boy Scouts of America for her contribution on the faculty of the Cub Scout Leadership Training Pow Wow, October 25 in Lubbock.

BOY SCOUT INITIATION AND ADVANCEMENT CEREMONY

Thursday night, December 4, the parents of the community witnessed their first Boy Scout Initiation program and Honor Award program. In to the Cub Scouts went Wilson Douglas and Alvin L. Ruffins, Tim Ray Matthews, O. C. Thomas and Walter Lee Coleman. The Scouts were J. Y. Matthews, Clarence Becks, E. L. Carter, Willie Ray Johnson, Willie Earl Houston, and Vernell Rakestraw. The Explorers who came in on the new Explorer program were Leroy Matthews, James White, Alfred L. Nunn and Grady Brown, who took

the pictures of the events. Cub and Scoutmaster U. S. Osborne was ably assisted by Deacon Alvin Ruffins as Akela, who was dressed in colorful Indian regalia and Tommy T. Osborne, den chief.

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The Earth News - Sun





Songs of the Yuletide Season are presented by First Grade students for members of the Parent - Teachers Association.



Second Grade pupils presenting a Christmas program at the regular monthly meeting of the P. T. A.

Party Line...

Mrs. Bill Bennett and sons, of Winslow, Ariz. visited Tuesday with Mrs. Laura Kelley. Mrs. Bennett is a former Springlake teacher, who made her home here with Mrs. Kelley. She is the former Juanita Holland.

—PL—
Mr. and Mrs. Toughy Dent and

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family have moved to the Islan Fennell house on 4th and Date Sts.

—PL—
Mrs. Carl Carnahan and Cheryl of Moscow, Idaho will spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. David Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Johnson in Littlefield and other relatives.

—PL—
Mrs. Dub Berry of Littlefield visited with Mrs. W. F. Williamson, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Rogers left Tuesday to spend the holidays with relatives in Dodge City, Kan.

—PL—
Seth Lewis of Taboka visited with his mother, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Brown, Sunday.

—PL—
Texas is the second state in the union in annual tornado frequency. Kansas is first.



Season's Greetings

As shepherds watched their flocks...

a Star shone brightly in the hush of a

Holy Night... a Babe was born

in a manger... and a new spirit of

Peace and Good Will came into the world.

May that spirit abide

with you and your

family now and always.

TRACY PERKINS ROOFING

LITTLEFIELD, TEXAS

May we pause for a moment at this
Happy Holiday Season and wish for you and yours
an abundance of good cheer.
We trust you will think of us as your friend
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for your patronage during the
past year... and our pledge to strive to merit
your good will in the years to come.



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As old as our faith, as young as our hopes, is the
spirit of Christmas. May it once more lift your heart,
lighten your cares and brighten every corner of your
life. May its infinite joy and glorious promise abide
with you and your loved ones... now and always.

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May the blessings
of Christmas
be with you
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MERRY CHRISTMAS



As Christmas draws near, we pause for a moment to think of what the past year has meant to us . . . of its joys and of its sorrows. One of the great joys of the past twelve months, as we see it, is the friendships that have been ours. A true friend is a valued possession.

What is true of our personal lives is also true of our business lives. We believe there is a spirit of friendship underlying each business transaction between you and our firm. We think of our customers as our friends. We value our business friendships as we value our personal friendships.

As an expression, therefore, of our genuine appreciation of your friendship and all that it has meant to us, we wish you and those whom you love, a Merry Christmas.



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LETTERS TO



SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:

I am writing for my little sister Deanne and she wants a Tiny Tears doll with carriage, a play-time treasure chest, a piano, real party goodies, a Tjejector and 5 picture stories, and a Majorette outfit.

DEANNE BROCK

Dear Santa Claus:

I am writing a letter for my little brother Chris and he wants a Hen target game, a telephone truck, a Wyatt Earp gun, stack 'em pictures, a superman outfit, size 6 and some tinkler toys.

Love
CHRIS BROCK

Dear Santa Claus:

For Christmas I would like to have a doll named Debbie, a McCall's Make It Book, a set of 3 Brownie Scout books, which are Brownie Scouts Treehouse, Silver Beach, and Windmill Farm, a nurse outfit, scrabble for juniors.

Love
MELODIE BROCK

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a nurse set and a table a horn, a guitar, a Coke box, a set of dishes, a ballet doll and a wedding doll, a bicycle with two wheels on the back and I have a record of Santa Is Coming To Town.

Love
SUSIE ADRIAN

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a baby doll in a pink blanket. I have a baby sister, she wants a doll. I want some dishes.

Love
BEVERLY

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you bring me a toy rocket that you can put fuel in? Also bring me an electric train, please.

Please bring me a Texas Ranger set. Also bring me a farm set.

ROBERT FROEHNER
Box 607
Dimmitt, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:

I live 3 1/2 miles southwest of Springlake, and I hope you will bring me a doll and some doll clothes, a doll suitcase, a baton, some play dough, and a cash register. I am 7 1/2 years old. I am in the second grade in Mrs. Ray's room. Please bring all the boys and girls something, and please remember Mrs. Ray.

Love
ANN BEARDEN

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to have a doctor kit and high heels and roller skates.

Love

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to have a bicycle, and a watch and a crossover truck.

Love
JOE FRANK DENT

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to have a ballerina doll. Please bring all the other boys and girls what they want too.

Love
CATHY CORINN DENT

Dear Santa Claus:

I am four years old and have been pretty good this year. Please bring me a football suit, a little combine, tool box and tools and a gun and baseball

gun and holster set. We will be in California this Christmas so please bring my toys and my sister's toys out there.

Love
MIKE CLEAVINGER



CHRISTMAS SCENE — December means winter . . . and winter means such picturesque scenes as this one made in northern Wisconsin. The handsome birch fence and the brilliant white snow combine to make a typically restful Christmas scene.



Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me these things for Christmas, one bubble gum bank, skyrocket jet plane, a cannon, a turbo jet car, 6 piece foil set, train engine, cement mixer, sock-o-bag, a Roy Rogers stage coach.

I live 4 miles north and 4 1/2 miles west of Earth.

PERRY DON O'HAIR

Dear Santa Claus:

I am five years old and I have been good this year. I'd like you

to bring me a Betty Crocker baking set, an ironing board and electric iron, some doll clothes and an overnight case. Come to see my brother and sister and all the other little boys and girls.

Love
JAN CLEAVINGER

Dear Santa Claus:

I am 2 1/2 years old and I want a football suit, but mommy says that girls don't wear football suits, so I guess I want a Betsy Wetsy doll and doll buggy, a little suitcase and some candy. Come to see all the little children.

Love
PAT CLEAVINGER

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a Tiny Tears baby doll, I have a baby sister and she wants doll.

Turtle Love
SHARON



IMPRESSIVE DISPLAY—One of the most impressive Nativity scenes in the world is the one above which is located in Rome. So skillfully carved from stone the figures seem to come alive under the effective lighting.

TRADITIONALLY we associate with Christmas, all our hopes and wishes for a world of peace and friendship among people at home and abroad. May we, therefore, express our sincere appreciation for having both your friendship and your good will. You have been most considerate of our firm and we trust we may continue to merit your consideration in the future.



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May this joyous Yuletide season bring to you and your loved ones an abundance of health, happiness and good fortune.

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South America Is Adopting Many Of Our Yule Customs

North American customs for the celebration of Christmas are becoming more popular in Latin American countries. Our southern friends, however, have many holiday traditions we could well adopt.

In Mexico, for instance, during the nine days before Christmas, the night processions are formed nightly. They are called Posadas.

This ritual reenacts the Holy Family's journey to Bethlehem and the difficulty in finding a place to stay.

It is arranged for the marchers to be received entrance at a home, then admitted with feasting and great festivities.

Also, Mexico has a tradition called breaking the pinata. A fragile earthen jar—the pinata—is filled with candy, toys and trinkets and suspended from the ceiling.

Guests are blindfolded, spun around, and allowed to hit at the pinata with a stick. When it is smashed, everyone rushes for the shower of treats.

The youngsters of many Latin American countries look forward to January 6—the Epiphany—and a visit from the Three Wise Men when gifts are received.

Children address their letters for Christmas to the Baby Jesus, care of St. Peter in many Latin American countries. And in Colombia it is a custom for merry-makers to masquerade in the streets on Christmas eve. Whenever a friend detects another's identity, he claims a reward.

Plan Your Outdoor Decorations To Protect Evergreens

In decorating the shrubs around your home, which is becoming a more popular Christmas custom every year, plan your decorations carefully so you will not injure valuable evergreens.

Tree experts report that many home owners are giving their evergreens a hot foot with overly-powerful Christmas lights.

These experts advise against using light bulbs stronger than 15-watts. They are bright, but do not generate enough heat to burn foliage, even on direct contact.

Even when using small bulbs, however it is wise to inspect the lights every day or so. If the foliage is turning brown in the vicinity of the lights, then the lights should be moved.

It takes many years to grow beautiful shrubbery and even an outstanding light display at Christmas time is not worth marring valuable evergreens that can be a source of beauty all year long.

Homemade Food Gifts Delight To Receive

The Christmas season is traditionally marked by tasty things to eat. And food gifts made in your kitchen add a personal note to the celebration. Such gifts say "Merry Christmas" with an especially warm touch. From a practical standpoint, they're easy on the pocketbook, too.

Perhaps your family has some special recipe for cookies, cakes or puddings. Whatever it is, homemade food gifts are easy to make and delightful to receive.

When wrapping food gifts, let your imagination have a free rein. Clever packages can be made from plastic refrigerator dishes, wicker bread and cracker baskets, cookie sheets, or a wooden cutting board.

O Little Town of Bethlehem

1. O lit-tle town of Beth-le-hem, How still we see thee lie!
2. For Christ is born of Ma - ry, And gath-ered all a - round,
3. O ho - ly Child of Beth-le-hem! De - ceased to - day, we pray!

A - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep The sil - ent stars go by:
While mor-tals sleep the an - gels keep Their watch of won - dering love,
Glad not our sin, and no - ter - le, Be born to - day!

Yet in thy dark street shin - eth The ev - er - last - ing Light,
O mor-nal stars, to - geth - er Pro - claim the ho - ly birth,
We hear the Christ-mas ea - gels The great glad tid - ings tell.

The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee to night,
And prin - ce sing to God our King, And peace to men on earth!
O come to us, a - bide with us, Our Lord Im - mac - u - le!

ROAST GOOSE

With Potato and Nut Stuffing

Turkey is the traditional bird for Christmas in America. But if you have the desire to try something else, here is a good way to roast a goose.

Combine 3 cups lightly whipped potatoes with 2 cups of crumbs, 1 teaspoon rosemary, 1 cup finely diced onion, 1 cup coarsely chopped walnuts or pecans, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon freshly ground pepper and 3 tablespoons melted butter. Blend well and stuff the goose with the mixture.

Close up vent, place the goose on a rack and bake at 450 degrees for 30 minutes. Reduce the heat to 325 degrees and roast for another 1 or 1½ hours or until the breast is tender and the skin crisp.

Basting is not altogether necessary. Pour off the goose fat as it accumulates in the pan and save for cooking. Salt and pepper the goose just before removing from oven. An 8 to 10 pound goose should take 2 or 2½ hours.

Legends Vary About First Christmas Tree

There are many legends about decorating the Christmas tree. One dates back to Boniface, who as England's missionary to Germany in the 8th century, "replaced the sacrifices to Odin's sacred oak to a fir tree adorned in tribute to the Christ child".

Others say that the tree and its candles should be attributed to Luther. Another says the practice dates to the Teutonic practice of bringing trees into homes to appease the god-like spirits that were believed to inhabit forest timbers.

But there is a legend more beautiful than all the rest. According to it, when Christ was born a group of stars looked down upon an olive tree, a date palm and a pine tree which stood over the manger.

Seeing that the pine had nothing to offer in His honor while the others gave fruit and dates, they descended from the heavens to rest upon the pine's boughs as an offering—and that was the first Christmas tree.

A FULL MEASURE of Happiness

There is a real satisfaction and pleasure in recalling the happy associations with old and new friends, whose friendships with the seasoning of time become more real and lasting. We want you to know we value yours most deeply. We are grateful for your patronage and good will and wish you all that is good. May you have a full measure of happiness on this, the greatest of all occasions.



EARTH BUTANE

EARTH, TEXAS

Greetings



May the joys of this Holiday Season surround you and your family and linger long in your home and in your heart, to brighten the days that lie ahead. A Merry Christmas to everyone.

Very Merry Christmas

We think you're angels, all of you, our friends and neighbors, tried and true
We wish you plenty of Christmas Cheer...
and fortune's nod through the coming year!

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Letters To



Santa Claus

DEAR SANTA:
I have tried to be one of your good boys. Will you please bring me a horse, bridle, saddle, B-B gun.

Love
DAVID FOSTER

DEAR SANTA:
I have tried to be one of your good boys. Will you please bring me a B-B gun, please bring mine another a play gun.

Love
JACK GILDTER

DEAR SANTA:
I have tried to be one of your good boys. Will you please bring me a B-B gun, football, toy train, toy gun, jumping jack.

Love
MAUD GARZA

DEAR SANTA:
I have tried to be one of your good girls. Will you please bring me a doll, doll clothes, ring, baton. With Love From

ANN BEARDEN

DEAR SANTA:
I have tried to be one of your good boys. Will you please bring me a B-B gun, toy train, new shoes, doll, horse, bridle, saddle, boxing bag.

Love
RAMEIRA

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
Judy would like a baby buggy, Robin and Trudy would like a pair of swings.

Love
TRUDY, JUDY and
ROBIN MAPLES

DEAR SANTA:
I have tried to be one of your good boys. Will you please bring me a B-B gun.

Love
CECIL

DEAR SANTA:
I have tried to be one of your good boys. Will you please bring me a B-B gun and a guitar.

Love
RICKY

DEAR SANTA:
I am a good little boy in the second grade at school and seven of cowboy guns, football and piggy bank. I want an octopus set bank.

Love
STEVEN CHANCE

DEAR SANTA:
I am a girl, I am eight years old, I am in the third grade. I would like to have a doll in a play pen. My name is Linda Gregory and that's all I want.

Your Friend,
LINDA GREGORY

THE AMERICAN WAY



WILLIAM LYON
PHELPS

The Bible-The Best of Text Books

Children Need Help To Calm Down For Christmas Season

Many parents dread the coming of the Christmas season because their already active children seem to become more exuberant.

This is natural since Santa Claus and hidden packages, as well as the mad rush of shopping and holiday preparations, stimulates a child's emotions. Sometimes they are so keyed up they are almost hysterical.

Child development specialists believe that by creating a quiet atmosphere in your home and explaining the joys of the holiday, you will help prepare your child for a more peaceful Christmas.

More time should be spent in getting children ready for a reverent Christmas rather than a commercial one. Christmas will be a joy for the entire family when you and the children pause to understand and share together the true meaning of the Christmas message.

Be careful what you tell a child about Santa Claus. Retractions are difficult to make later.



DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good girls. Will you please bring me a doll and a purse and a baton and will you bring my brother a football

Love
LELA NAOMI CARR

DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good boys. Will you please bring me a B-B gun, boxing bag.

Love
DELBERT COOPER

DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good boys. Will you please bring me a toy train.

Love
LUPE ACEVADO

Greetings



May the
bring life's bright-
ornaments—the Joy of
Loving, the Fun of Giving.

Wayne Rutherford Phillips 66 Station
EARTH, TEXAS

GREETINGS



The scene is set for Christmas—every heart aglow with a spirit that makes this the happiest of Holidays. To all our cherished friends we extend this sincerest of greetings—May Christmas fill your heart and home with all its brightest cheer and may good health accompany you throughout the coming year.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR
PATRONAGE

WE HAVE ENJOYED DOING BUSINESS WITH YOU THIS YEAR AND LOOK FORWARD TO DOING BUSINESS WITH YOU FOR MANY SEASONS TO COME . . .

christmas comes
but once a year

so relax,
refrain and
enjoy yourself

and most of
all smile

it doesn't cost a thing

merry christmas

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rainbow of beauty



Flagg Gin Co.

CLYDE JONES, Manager — FLAGG COMMUNITY

Flowering Bulbs Offer Variety In Yule Decorations

You can easily force spring flowering bulbs to get continuous bloom throughout the holiday season and late winter.

Narcissi, hyacinths, tulips and

crocuses can be potted for flowering. Use only bulbs of best quality. Set them in shallow pots containing soil with good water-holding capacity and drainage. A satisfactory soil mixture is three parts good garden loam, one part organic matter and two parts sand. Fill the pot with soil to one-half inch below the rim, leaving the tips of bulbs barely exposed.

Plant hyacinths and narcissi as close together as you can. For tu-



MERRY CHRISTMAS

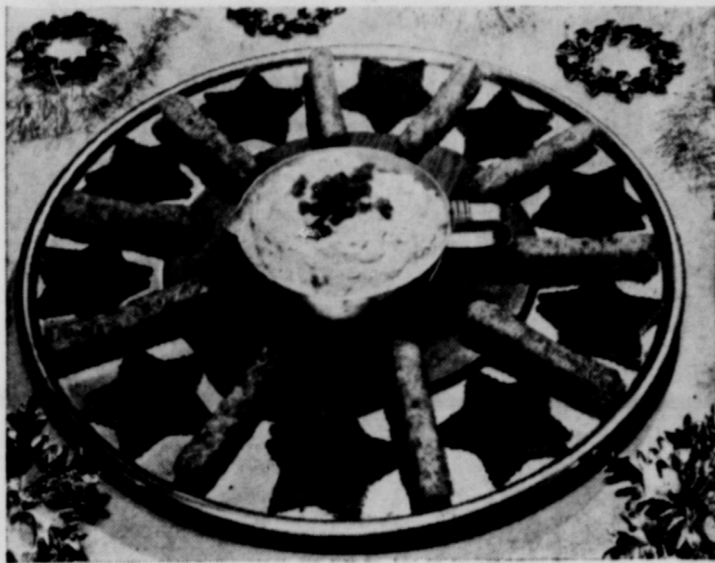
*The time for joy, the time for peace;
The time for pleasures that never cease.
We wish you all at this time of year
A plentiful measure of Yuletide cheer!*



CITY DRUG

EARTH, TEXAS

Dunk 'n Dip For Holiday Parties



THE HOLIDAYS mean lots of company and the clever hostess keeps preparations at an absolute minimum so that she can enjoy the festivities herself.

One of the easiest ways to entertain is at an Open House affair where friends just drop in for hot punch or a nog along with some dunk'n dip hors d'oeuvres.

For this serve the famous "California Dip" which has become so popular. This dip, you remember, is a taste tempting combination of a package of onion soup mix and sour cream.

Put a bowl of California Dip in the center of a platter containing potato chips, fish sticks, and pieces of pumpernickel cut into

star shapes for the occasion.

CALIFORNIA DIP

1 package Lipton Onion Soup Mix
1 pint commercial sour cream
Stir Lipton Onion Soup Mix just as it comes from the package into sour cream and blend thoroughly. Chill in refrigerator until ready to serve.

BLEU-COTTAGE CHEESE SPREAD

2 cups (1 pound package) creamy cottage cheese
1 cup California Dip
1/4 cup bleu cheese, crumbled
Combine ingredients and mix in an electric mixer or with a rotary beater until smooth. Garnish with chopped parsley and paprika. Serve with crackers, rye or pumpernickel bread, or toast rounds.

lips, plant five or six bulbs in a five inch pot.

Place the pots in a cool place at 40-50 degrees. The soil must be moist while in storage. When the roots are well developed, bring the pots into a warm room for forcing. The plants grow best in full sun and in moderately moist soil.

When the plants are in full bloom, remove them from the sun to a bright location. The flowers will last longer if you keep them in a fairly cool place.

Our custom of singing Christmas carols - not as prevalent as in former years - dates back to ancient times when wails and minstrels sang them in the streets. The first true Christmas carols which spread to many European countries, originated in Italy during the thirteenth century.



DIANA GREGORY

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am 7 years old. I'm in the first grade. My teacher's name is Mrs. Morgan. For Christmas I would like to have a doll and a dolly bed. I hope you send all the other little girls a doll, too.

Your Friend,
VICKY GREGORY



DEAR SANTA:

I'm a little girl five years old. I have been pretty good this year, so would you please bring me a big baby doll and a record player. Santa, I have a little brother

named Perry. He's awfully mean. But please come and see him too, and maybe he won't be so mean next year. He would like a little red wagon and maybe some pull toys. Thank you very much.

Your Friend,
PAMELA ANN GATTIS

DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good girls. Will you please bring me a pair of skates and a doll and a bride doll.

Love
VIOLA LYNN GILMORE

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am ten years old. I'm in the 5th grade. My teacher's name is

Mrs. Bloom. For Christmas I would like to have a doll and a play "mink" stole. I will leave some milk and cookies for you to eat.

Love

DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good boys. Will you please bring me a toy train.

Love

KENNETH ANDERSON

DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good girls. Will you please bring me a doll.

Love

VICKEY MUNOZ

Best wishes
for the holidays

FROM THE CLINIC PERSONNEL

WE WILL BE OPEN THROUGH THE
HOLIDAY SEASON

Faust Clinic

EARTH, TEXAS

You have been a welcome customer of ours for some time and we want you to know how grateful we are for your patronage. We have every intention of maintaining the standard which has won your confidence and approval. Please believe, therefore, that our expression of "thanks" is genuine—that it comes from the heart. And it comes to you in the spirit of the season which prompts us to wish you all the Joy and Happiness that Christmas can bring.



CORNER CAFE

EARTH, TEXAS



Best wishes
for the holidays

Our sincere appreciation for the cordial goodwill
which you have extended to us. May we always
merit your friendliness in the days ahead
and may your Christmas be merry indeed.

KING - SEELY Furniture and Appliances

DIMMITT, TEXAS

Eggnog Is Most Popular Yule Drink In U. S.

The most popular Christmas beverage in America is eggnog, a stepchild of the old English sack-posset.

In early colonial days hot beverages and punches were very popular in America, as they were in England at that time. The English have continued to enjoy them through the years but they became less popular in America. It is only recently that their use in America has increased.

Sack-posset, from which came American eggnog, was served hot from a hand-made copper kettle. The drink was served in England for four or five centuries.



Eggnog and sack-posset contain the same milk, eggs, sugar and nutmeg. It changed, however, from hot to cold and from a mild flavored drink to a more hearty one with rum and brandy. The colonists preferred their drinks strong and cold.

There are of course, many varieties of this drink. There is Old English Sack Posset with sherry and nutmeg and Colonial Eggnog with brandy, light rum and heavy whipped cream.

Velvet Eggnog contains vanilla and nutmeg and White Ermine Eggnog uses rum extract and nutmeg. Pink Angel Eggnog is made with vanilla extract, peppermint extract and crushed peppermint candy.

There are many more versions of this American drink, but whichever you like will enhance your Christmas festivities.

Make the punch table more attractive by using a white floor-length tablecloth decorated with clusters of ball ornaments around the edge.

"And they went up..."

Roads Were Not Paved For First Yule Trip

THERE were no modern highways leading from Nazareth to Bethlehem when Mary and Joseph undertook their memorable journey nearly 2,000 years ago.

The way was rough and hard and dangerous.

As far as routes were concerned, there were three. The western route led along the sea-coast and through the plain of Sharon. This route was unpopular with pious folk like Mary and Joseph who shunned the heathen cities rowdy travelers and the ungodly as much as possible.

The shortest route via the fruitful plains of Eadraelon into the mountains of Samaria and through Shechem and Bethel, was not very popular either. The road was tolerable, but steep; however, the Jews had little use for the Samaritans, and vice versa.

The Jordan route, which descended into the Jordan valley and followed the river's east bank around Jericho, was favored by the majority of Galilean travelers who for the Passover and other religious events went down to Jerusalem at regular intervals and knew their way around as well as suburbanites know their way around modern metropolitan areas.

If the Jordan route was a little round-about, it was fairly level—and steeped in Jewish history, from the shadow of Mount Tabor where



Saul in desperation sought his "witch" of Endor, to the tomb a little before Bethlehem where the first Joseph buried his beloved Rachel. It is fairly certain that Mary and

Joseph did not choose the western route when they planned their very special journey. Whether they chose to go by way of Shechem and Bethel, or around the walled city of Jericho may never be determined definitely.



But, the distance—nearly 100 miles—was, in any case, unrelenting and conquered only by persistent plodding. And when Mary was too tired to go another step, Joseph took the packs upon his own shoulders so she might ride the little donkey which trudged faithfully at his side.

This was a hard journey and Mary appreciated the shelter of the stable that night—no one could have been more grateful or more happy than Mary. And she brought forth her first-born son, and laid him in a manger.

IT'S CHRISTMAS WHEN

Elevator operators say good morning;
Bus drivers don't slam the door on your feet;
Jimmy's teacher says he's a perfect angel and oh so bright;
Your secretary limits her coffee break to one a day;
Your wife is the first to shut off the alarm clock;
Your son says that's okay Dad, you take the car tonight;
And your boss says here, try one of my pills.

When you water a Christmas tree, add a few tablespoons of sugar to bring out the fragrance of the pine.

WE'RE GRATEFUL

How very many happy recollections come to our mind at this season of the year... May your day be as merry as your heart is light...

SEASON'S

GREETINGS

May we, too, recall with sincere appreciation the important part you have played in our own business growth. For your friendship, we are truly grateful.

AT CHRISTMAS



Brownd - White Equipment Co.

EARTH, TEXAS

Our Wish For Everyone...

COUNTLESS BLESSINGS

For Christmas



The approach of the Christmas season causes us to pause humbly and think of the many blessings we have received... and to express our innermost thoughts to customers and friends. These thoughts have to do with warm friendships — with true appreciation for favors — and a sincere "Thank you" for your patronage.

Season's Greetings

To all of our wonderful friends and neighbors... we hope that Santa arrives bearing a sleigh-load of all the good things in life. May the season find you rich in the blessings of Happiness, Peace and Health. The season's best to all.



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Earth '66' Station

EARTH, TEXAS





Dear Santa Claus:

How are you today? I am fine and am trying to be a good girl for it's nearly Christmas. I saw you in Amarillo but I didn't tell you what I wanted you to bring me. I am 3 years old and need a tricycle since someone carried mine

off and I don't have anything to ride. I also want a bus like daddy has at the store.
Please don't forget Melissa for she has been real good.
I Love You
MARIANNE MESSER

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl 5 years old. I have a little cradle and I would like to have a Dew Drop doll to rock in it. I would like a little high chair for her.
I would like to have a bicycle and be sure and bring Lee Fred a tractor 'cause he has been wanting one.
Don't forget Wade and Gail. They will be at grandmothers.
Love
GLYNETH FREE
P. S. If you don't have a bicycle

TEXAS MASONS LEVEL CORNERSTONE FOR SCHOOL CHAPEL



Among state officers of the Grand Lodge of Texas, A. F. & A. M., who participated in the leveling of the cornerstone for a new chapel building being erected on the campus of Masonic Home and School of Texas, located in Fort Worth, were: left to right, Randall E. Briscoe, deputy grand master, Houston; John T. Bean, grand senior warden, El Paso; John G. Kemmerer, grand master, Fort Worth. The cornerstone was leveled on November 29.

ter teenage walker doll Hi-Fi sily-tone.

Love
JANIE WASHINGTON

DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good boys. Will you please bring me a B-B Gun, boxing bag, robot, football, airplane.

Love
STEVE CHANCE

DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good boys. Will you please bring me a robot and a basketball.

Love
RONNIE DALE PARKER

DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good girls. Will you bring me a jumping jack.

Love
DOLORES HERNANDEZ

DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good boys. Will you please bring me a 22 gun, trampoline, horse, bridle, saddle.

Love
NEAL ARMSTRONG

DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good girls. Will you please bring me a trampoline.

Love
MARSHA DAWSON



We join jolly
Santa in extending our
heartly greetings
to everybody. May your holiday be
full of joy and good fellowship.

DANNA'S DRIVE INN
EARTH, TEXAS

for me that will be alright, maybe Buddy will get me one. And remember we will be living near Earth and not in Pleasant Valley as before.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy 9 years old and in the 4th grade. For Christmas I would like to have a Daisy Eagle B-B gun like one that is at White's Auto Store. Also an Army Base set at the drug store. Don't forget my big sister Nita who lives at Midland, but she will be home for Christmas so just leave her gifts at our house.

Hope to see you Christmas Eve in Earth.

Your Friend
DOUG MESSER

DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good girls. Will you please bring me a teenage walker doll, china music box and a jewelry music box and a baton.

Love
DONNA JESTER

DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good girls. Will you bring me a jumping jack, baby doll, table and chairs, doll clothes.

Love
ZODA FAYE WALKER

DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good boys. Will you please bring me new shoes.

Love
JUNIOR GARZA

DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good girls. Will you please bring me a bride doll, and a ring, and a table and chairs.

Love
DONNA KAY ROBERSON

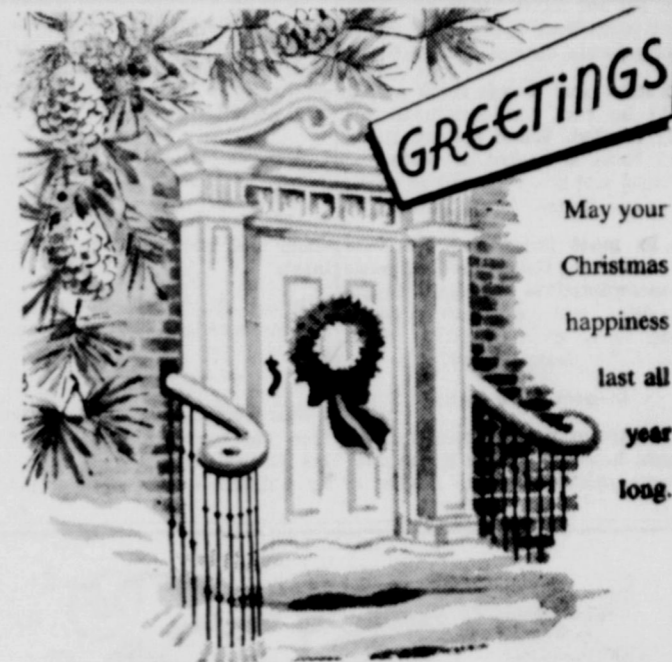
DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good boys. Will you please bring me a football suit, and a football, and a toy machine gun.

Love
RICKY BYERS

DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good girls. Will you please bring me a majorette suit, and some skates and a basketball.

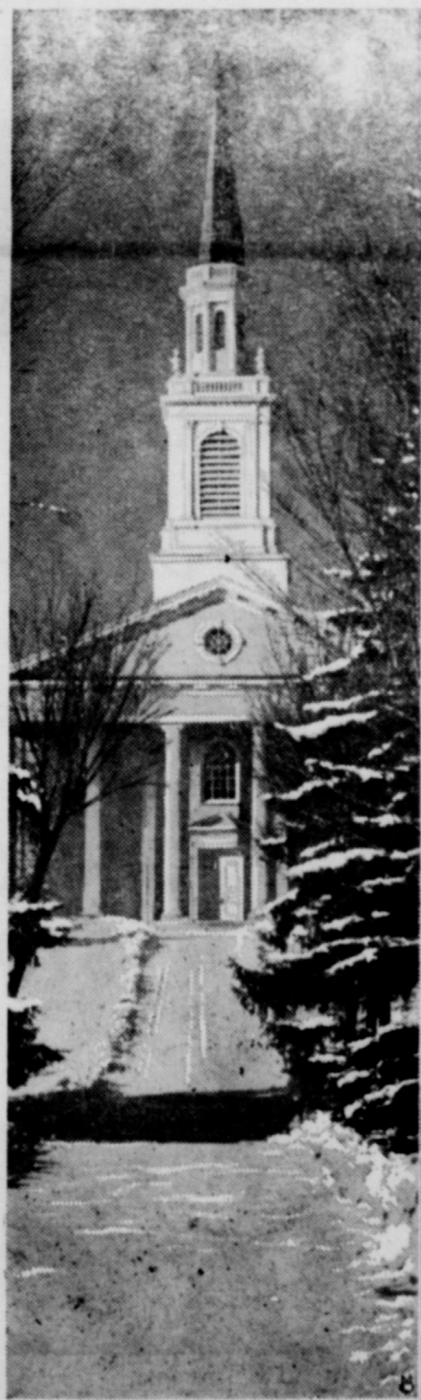


May your
Christmas
happiness
last all
year
long.

Higginbotham - Bartlett
Lumber Company
EARTH, TEXAS

The Season's Greetings

We extend to our many good friends a sincere wish for a Yuletide laden with a wealth of the good things in life. May every day be filled with the blessings of good health, happiness and warm friendships.



Greetings

We hope the magic of this glorious season extends throughout the year for you and yours...bringing with it the blessing of happiness, the joy of good health and the pleasure of warm friendships.

Thanks For Your Patronage This Season . . . our Business Was Truly Appreciated . . .

Kimbell Gin
EARTH, TEXAS

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Be Careful In Placing, Decorating Your Christmas Tree

Regardless of warnings by fire departments and safety officials, millions of American homes become dangerous fire traps at Christmas time. Fire at any time is tragic, but at this happiest of seasons it is more so.

There are a number of simple ways to reduce the hazards of fire in your home during the next few days.

Location of the Christmas tree in your home is of vital importance. Do not let it block any exit, or set it up near a stairway which would provide an upward draft.

Be sure your tree is fresh and it should be kept outdoors until actually needed. When setting it up, stand it in a bucket of water or wet sand and brace it well so there will be no danger of it falling.

It is most important that the decorations be flameproof or made of noncombustible materials. Lighting sets and extension cords should be in good condition. If in doubt have them tested.

Inspect Tree Daily

Even these precautions are not enough, however. Make it the duty of some member of the family to

inspect the tree every day during the holiday season. This way you will know immediately if it has become too dry and should be discarded.

The switch used for turning on the tree lights should be placed some distance from the tree. Never use an outlet or plug under the tree or run electric trains around the base.

There are a few other simple rules that should be observed if decorations are used around the house. Keep them away from chairs and other places where people may smoke. And keep plenty of ash trays handy during the holiday season.

Never Use Candles

It is traditional to have lights in the windows at this season, but never use candles. Keep curtains and other flammable material pulled back at least six inches from any electric light.

And on Christmas morning, or any other time you open presents, remove all gift wrappings and packing material from the living room and dispose of them immediately.

It can be a happier Christmas if you know there is no danger of fire.

San Francisco's first Christmas tree was made in 1850 from Douglas fir branches wired on a stick by a German wine shop proprietor.



TV STAR—Dale Robertson, who plays Jim Hardie on the TV Western series, "Tales of Wells Fargo," will appear in all rodeo performances at the 1959 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth. The stock show and rodeo will run Jan. 30 through Feb. 8 and will feature the nation's top livestock and cowboys.

Festive Rites Originated In Dim Ages Past

From the dim ages of long ago have come many of the festive rites and customs of our Christmas season.

The symbolic use of a tree dates back at least 4000 years, when Egyptians celebrated in honor of their Sun God, in the month corresponding to our December. They believed that the sun died every night and was born again in the morning, and that late December and January brought the turning point, when the sun remained with them a little bit longer each day. This was a season of rejoicing, and the palm trees became their symbol, as it put out a leaf every month and the twelve leaves symbolized the complete year.

A few thousand years later came the feast of Saturnalia, also held in December, but the tree the Romans used was a tall conifer, loaded with decorations. Roman legions carried this symbolism over the Alps into Gaul; and about 15 B. C. the tree was used in Yuletide celebrations of the Germans.

Hundreds of years passed, and a tree became the symbol of celebrations connected with the patron saint of Russia and of children—Saint Nicholas, who in his lifetime was Bishop of Myra, in Asia Minor.

LOOK FOR SANTA

American children look for presents in their stockings or under the Christmas tree. In Italy they seek them in "Urns of Fate" and the children of Norway seek them in hiding places all through the house.

Sending Best Wishes

to Our Friends



Christmas is here and we want to send you, one and all, our

best wishes for a wonderful Yuletide. May it bring you all the

good things of life which you so richly deserve.

WE WILL BE CLOSED DECEMBER 25 - 26

Patterson Bros. Gro.

EARTH, TEXAS



Joyous Greetings

May the gladness of Christmas linger with you like the delightful music of a sweet song.

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Stocking Hanging Became A Custom Through Accident

With delight and great expectation every American child hangs his stocking by the fireplace at Christmas time. Thereon hangs a fascinating tale of adventure.

Once upon a time - so the legend goes - kindly Saint Nicholas, who

was in reality Bishop of Myra, in Asia Minor (unintentionally originated the custom of hanging stockings by the fireplace on Christmas eve.

Saint Nicholas was a kindly man and jolly, and very rich. He loved to make mysterious journeys into the country and poor sections of the community to bring secret gifts to the poor. For a long time his identity remained hidden, but he was caught at last with his sack of gifts on his back.

Down The Chimney

Saint Nicholas knew an old nobleman who was very poor and who did not want anyone to know of his poverty. Wishing to give him a gift of money Saint Nicholas crept to a window of the house and saw the old gentleman asleep by the fire.

The good bishop climbed to the roof of the house and dropped his gift down the chimney, thinking

it would fall on the hearth at the nobleman's feet.

However, it so happened that the gentleman's daughter had hung some stockings to dry by the fire and the money fell into one of them. From this kindly deed of the good Bishop has grown the wide-

spread custom of hanging stockings at Christmas time.

Died in 1037

The anniversary of Saint Nicholas' death in 1087 eventually became a festival in the Russian church, and in time the name be-

came corrupted to Santa Claus and associated with the festivities of the Christmas season, with its tree, its decorations, the Lolly and the mistletoe.

These today are the joyous symbols of Christmas.

DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good boys. Will you please bring me a B-B gun, guitar and music box.

Love
JIMMY

DEAR SANTA:

I have tried to be one of your good girls. Will you please bring me a big baby doll, music box, and bride doll.

Love
ALYNN



Tips on Touring

By Carol Lane
Women's Travel Authority

Tire Tips

Your life can depend on your car's tires. How much do you know about them? How do you check them for safety? What are they made of? What do the sizes mean?

Safety precautions: check tires for wear periodically. Excessive



tread wear on either side means that the front end of the car needs realignment or the wheels need balancing. Abnormal wear on center ribs of the tire means overinflation; if it's on the outer ribs, underinflation or overload. Any break or unusual bulge should be investigated immediately. Check for nails and glass chips, too. In tubeless tires, they may not cause immediate leaks, but later can cause air loss at a dangerous time.

Materials in a tire include: (1) rubber, compounded with carbon black for toughness and long wear, sulphur for vulcanization, and other chemicals to make the compound resilient; (2) special cord fabric of nylon or rayon with high tensile strength to reinforce the tire body; (3) high-tensile steel wire for the "bead" which is the anchor holding the tire on the rim; (4) in tubeless tires, an airtight liner of a dense type of rubber. This is bonded to the inside of the tire body, taking the place of a tube.

Tire size: the first figure is the approximate measurement across a section of the tire at its widest point; the second figure stands for the diameter of the rim. For example, a 7.50-14 tire has a cross section width of 7.5 inches and an inside diameter of 14 inches.

And A
Happy
New Year
**BEAVERS
AUTO PARTS**



Your Friendship and Patronage has given us much happiness in the past year . . . We Appreciate your Consideration . . .

**Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year**

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Sanders
**H. S. SANDERS
LUMBER**

Christmas Greetings

In the spirit of an old-fashioned Yuletide . . . warm with good fellowship and rich in friendship . . . we wish you the Season's heartiest greetings. May your Holidays abound with good health and high happiness and leave you with a treasure trove of bright memories to cherish through the year ahead.

FROM THE STAFF AT . . .

**LITTLEFIELD HOSPITAL
AND CLINIC
LITTLEFIELD, TEXAS**



DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I want a nurse set. I want some dishes. I am 7 years old.
Love
BEVERLY TIMS

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am in the 2nd grade. I am 7 and one half years old and I want a football set and a nurse set.

and especially I want a baby doll and Wyatt Earp guns and a washer and a dryer a coffee set and I want a baby crib and rocker, chair, table and chair set, toy typewriter.

From
LaCRETTIA WASHINGTON

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am seven and one half years old and a good boy. I want a train and football and a helmet.

Thank You
RONNIE POSEY

ROEL GUERRA

DEAR SANTA CLAUS
I want a baby doll. I am 7 years old. I have been a good girl. I am in Room 12. My teacher is Mrs. Achee. Thank you Santa Claus. bring me everything you can.

LaCRETTIA ELAINE PARKER

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am in the 2nd grade. Please bring me a football and a basketball set. I want an electric train and a Wyatt Earp guns and a bowling set. I am 8 years old.

RICKY LYNN RUDD

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am in the 2nd grade. I am seven and one half years old. I want a Tootles doll and a football and a nurse set. I am a good girl.

Love
DEBBIE MATLOCK

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am a good boy at school. I want a football for Christmas. Please bring me the football for Christmas. I love you Santa Claus. I am 9 years old. We have Christmas tree in our house.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I want some guns, I been a good boy. I love you Santa Claus. My name is

JOE GARCIA, JR.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am 4 years old and please bring me a toy rifle, gun and holster set. Ford tractor and stuffed monkey.

Debbie and I will leave you some chocolate cake on the table. Fill my stocking too.



By Betty Barclay

There's nothing better for dessert than hot, spicy apple dumplings. And these, when the apples are filled with flaked coconut have added glamour. Or, if you prefer, the apples may be sliced and the sugar-spice-coconut mixture mixed with them, then divided into six parts and wrapped in the dough squares. For a change, serve these hot dumplings with hot spicy applesauce and a dollop of ice cream.

Apple-Coconut Dumplings
2 cups sifted flour
2 teaspoons double-acting baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup shortening
3/4 cup milk
3/4 cup sugar
1 1/2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
6 small apples, pared and cored
2/3 cup Angel Flake Coconut
3 tablespoons butter

Mix together sugar, cinnamon, and nutmeg. Reserve 1/2 cup of the mixture. Place one apple in center of each square. Sprinkle generously with 1 1/2 tablespoons sugar-spice mixture and about 1 1/2 tablespoons coconut. Dot with 1/2 teaspoon butter. Moisten edges of dough with milk and bring dough up over apple, pressing edges together with a fork. Prick dough with fork.

Arrange dumplings in large greased pan. Bake in hot oven (425°F.) 25 minutes, or until dumplings are brown and apples are tender. Serve warm with cream which has been flavored with reserved sugar-spice mixture. Makes 6 dumplings.

Love
SAMMIE MATLOCK

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am a good boy. I want a football for Christmas. I want a gun too for Christmas.

Thank You
NATIVIDAD MENDEZ

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I've been a good boy. I am 8 years old. I want a gun and a game I want a pogo stick.
GARY DON LANIER

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
Please bring me a pretty doll. I also want some doll dresses. And bring a little train for my little brother and I love you dear Santa Claus.
CELSA GARCIA

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I want a doll for Christmas. I nine years old I like you Santa Claus. I have been a good girl. I want some dishes and some candy. I am in the 2nd grade, room 12. I Love You Santa Claus.
MANZUELA CRUZ

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I want a bicycle please. I am 8 years old.
Love To Santa
GARY LYNN HESTAND



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CHRISTMAS especially reminds us that we should thank God for His greatest gift to us: "For unto you is born this day a Savior which is Christ, the Lord." Let us also remember how Christ ministered to others, especially to those who are among the less fortunate. Let us ever preserve a social conscience as Christ commanded us: "What ye do unto the least of these, ye do unto Me." To you and your loved ones, we extend our most sincere wishes.

Season's Greetings



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Social Security Office Needs Help

A representative of the Lubbock Social Security Office will be in Earth on December 3, at 11 a.m. at the Citizens State Bank and will be glad to assist in all matters pertaining to Social Security.

Would you like to help your local social security office reduce the length of time necessary to process applications for retirement benefits?

According to John G. Hutton, manager of the social security district office in Lubbock, people making application for their retirement benefits can speed up the handling of their applications if they bring along the papers necessary to establish their right to benefits. These papers should include their social security card, proof of their age and proof of recent earnings.

Hutton explained that your most recent W-2 form furnished by your employer, or your last income tax return along with schedule C or Schedule F and the cancelled check showing payment of the self-employment social security tax, if you are self-employed, will suffice for proof of recent earnings. Mr. Hutton added that a birth certificate is not necessary for proof of age but any old document giving your date of birth, an old family Bible, or an old insurance policy might possibly be all that is needed for proof of age.

Mr. Hutton cautioned that no one should delay filing a claim because he or she does not have one or more of the documents necessary to establish right to benefits. The people at the local office at 2878 34th St. will be happy to give assistance to anyone in securing these proofs. Mr. Hutton concluded

SAY IT WITH SAVINGS BONDS, SANTA



Photo by Tony Vent

"Say it With Savings Bonds, Santa," seems to be what Polly Bergen, stage and screen, and television star, is telling Santa Claus as they cuddle under a holly wreath decorated with United States Savings Bonds. Santa might very well be telling Polly about the Treasury's new gift booklets of U. S. Savings Stamps now available at all post offices in \$2.50 and \$5.00 sizes. Both Polly and Santa agree that U. S. Savings Bonds and Savings Stamps make ideal gifts for all occasions. Miss Bergen may be seen regularly on CBS-TV "To Tell the Truth" and in a forthcoming Broadway play "Faster, Faster."

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am a boy in the second grade. I am 7 years old. I have been pretty good all year and hope you will visit me this Christmas.

I would like to have a boat and a ball and bat and a drum.

Your Friend
DELBERT
I Love You

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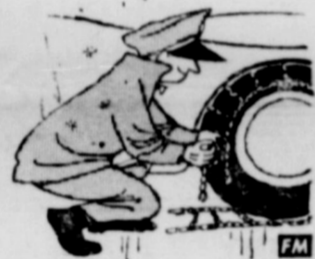
Tips on Touring

By Carol Lane
Women's Travel Authority

Safe Winter Driving

Motoring through America's winter wonderland can be as safe as it is exciting if you follow six common sense rules. The list was developed by the National Safety Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards.

1. Accept your responsibility to



1. Use all in your power to drive without an accident. Don't blame the weather — be prepared to meet the situation.

2. Get the "feel" of the road by trying the brakes occasionally while driving slowly and away from traffic to find out just how slippery the road is. Always adjust your speed to road and weather conditions.

3. Keep the windshield and windows clear of snow and ice, fog and frost. Be sure headlights, windshield wiper blades, and defrosters are in top condition.

4. Be prepared for poor traction. Under any circumstances, be sure your tires have good treads. Snow tires provide added traction. For emergency conditions, carry a set of good tire chains. Chains help you start, move, and stop safely in some severe weather conditions.

5. Pump your brakes to slow down or stop. Jamming them on can lock the wheels and throw you into a dangerous skid.

6. Follow at a safe distance. Keep well back of the vehicle ahead to give yourself more room to stop. On snow and ice your stopping distance increases greatly.



DEAR SANTA:

I am a girl 9 years old. Please bring me a wrist watch and a junior slide projector. I'll leave some food on the table for you.

Yours Truly

NORMA KELLEY

DEAR SANTA:

I am a little boy 6 years old. Please bring me a soda fountain, a hen target game, a bank that looks like a safe, and an electric train.

Yours Truly

KIRBY KELLEY

DEAR SANTA:

Please bring me a tiny tears

doll and a doll bed.

Please bring Jenetta Kay a Cradle.

Jenetta Kay will be at my house. Be good to all little girls and boys.

I Love You
REGINA RAE COLE

DEAR SANTA:

How are you, busy I guess. I have been a good girl. Will you please bring me the following things: A doll, nurse table, stole, Coke machine, dishes, ice box, drums or horn and bowling set.

Love

SUSIE

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am a little girl five years old so my mummy is helping me write to you.

Please bring me a Toodles doll and a bicycle with training wheels. Also be nice to all the other little boys and girls.

Love

LADONNA SIGMAN
DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I would like to have an Army set, and Gunsmoke guns and a bike, hoop - head.

Love

KENT PARISH

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Corner on Cotton

BY BOB COLLINS

Pity your poor ginner... he's caught right in the middle on this uproar over spinning quality as a farmer, you are interested in the money that comes from the high grade cotton... "clean it up," you tell him... and he does... he "over cleans" and "over dries" to bring top prices in the loan... but the cotton mills say it won't spin like it should they have to mix in rayon!!!

While we are on the subject of cleaning cotton... are you sure that extra cleaning means money for you?... some tests have shown that in lower grades, weight-loss caused by removal of additional trash more than offsets the premium paid for the improved grade... something to think about.

50-50%
Raw cotton holds its color best when stored at 50° F and 50% relative humidity... that's what government tests show... and the owner can lose up to \$50 a bale in color change with improper storage.

Seed To CCC
At least three states put cottonseed into CCC loan during November... first time in six years that the support level has been higher than market price... one effect will be to keep cottonseed oil in government storage... this will give a wide-open field to soybean oil to take over parts of the market.

Soil Bank
About 143,000 farms could wind up in the soil bank's conservation reserve in 1959... that's about 3% of all the farms in the United States and the number seems to be limited only by funds available... one effect of the soil bank in one county has been to put the only gin out of business... won't that be considered when the county farmers make their decision about growing cotton under the new farm bill provisions????

What About "GA"
We recently mentioned what a production increase cotton farmers would have if the plant could be stopped from ignoring about half its squares... maybe gibberellic acid (GA) is part of the answer... nothing definite yet but experiments show some giant production increases... scientists stress the fact that much is still to be learned about the effects of "GA"... but leaders feel that it has a definite possibility plans are for continuing and wide-spread experiments.

Party Line...

Those who will enjoy Christmas dinner in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Winder, are Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Layman and children, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Stephens and son, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Winder and children, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Winder and children, Mr. and Mrs. Monk Winder, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Winder and Jim of Clayton, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Simmons and children, Amarillo; and Dickie Autry of Wichita, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Vaughn will have as their Christmas dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. Junior Breedlove of Hollis, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn McKenny, Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Vaughan and son and Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Vaughan and boys all of Lazbuddie.

night for business meeting with the president, Mrs. E. R. Sadler in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Fowlkes arrived from Fort Isabel Thursday to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Tex Conard, Sharon and Juanette left Friday afternoon for California, where they will spend the Christmas holidays with her family.

News for the Holidays

Grape Chiffon Pie

By Betty Barclay

FOR the holiday season try this festive new variation of a lemon chiffon pie. The pie filling mix is combined with grape juice and water with a vigorous beating—some sugar and another beating until the filling stands in peaks. This "no-cook," "no-fail" filling fills to overflowing a 9-inch pie shell.

Grape Chiffon Pie
1 package Jell-O lemon chiffon pie filling; ½ cup boiling water; ½ cup very cold grape juice; ½ cup sugar; 1 cooled baked 9-inch pie shell.

Place contents of package in a large deep mixing bowl. Add boiling water and mix thoroughly. Add very cold grape juice. Then beat vigorously with a rotary beater, or at highest speed of electric mixer, until mixture is very foamy—takes about 1 minute. Add sugar and beat until filling stands in peaks—takes 1 to 2 minutes. Pour into pie shell. Chill until set, about 2 hours. Serve plain or with whipped cream.

Note: Store leftover pie in refrigerator, covered with an inverted pie pan.

Highest point in Texas is the top of Guadalupe Peak, 8751 feet, in West Texas.



DEAR SANTA:

Please remember to bring me a baby doll and a bicycle this Christmas. Also a hand top convertible. Danny and Kleta Kay would like

a few things too, including a dart board and a little doll. Bring us some fruit and candy and remember all the other children.

Lots of Love
SHARLA SUE HABERER

DEAR SANTA:

I have been a good little boy. I am a first grader in Mrs. Morgan's room. Please bring me an Electric Train and rifle. Remember all the other girls and boys, especially in my room. Bring us lots of candy, fruit and nuts.

Love
RONNIE VAL HARRIS

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

How are you and Mrs. Santa Claus? And how are the reindeer? Please bring me a B-B gun and anything else will be fine.

Love
BUTCH HAMILTON

DEAR SANTA:

I have been a good little girl. I am five years old and I would like for you to bring me a baby doll, doll bed, electric iron and ironing board. Remember all the little boys and girls, especially the little sick ones. Please bring us some candy, fruit and nuts.

Love
DIANNA SUE HARRIS

Sunnyside News -

by MRS. CLYDE MONK

Mrs. Ezell Sadler was dismissed from the Plainview Hospital Monday morning.

Calvin Stovall's car caught on fire as he drove to work Monday morning. The body and tires were heavily damaged.

Bruce Bridges from Earth spent the day, Monday with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bridges, Mr. and Mrs. John Bridges and Brad were supper guests.

The W. M. U. executive committee met at the church Monday afternoon for their quarterly meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Taylor were in Lubbock Monday night for an early Christmas dinner with their family at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bridges. They spent the night there.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Widner from Melrose arrived Monday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Dale Widner. They visited Monday night also with Mr. and Mrs. Ezell Sadler and boys and Mr. and Mrs. Weldon

Bradley and family.

Mrs. Howard Cummings entered the Plainview Hospital Tuesday afternoon. She underwent major surgery Wednesday. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Shultz from Abilene were among other with her for the surgery.

Mrs. Pearl Sadler from Dimmitt is staying with the Cummings children while she is in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. James Powell from San Diego, Calif. arrived Tuesday night to spend a ten days leave with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Powell of Earth and Mr. and Mrs. Ezell Sadler.

The Junior I Sunday School class enjoyed a Christmas party at the church Tuesday night. Eight attended. Gifts were exchanged. Mrs. Milburn Haydon was their sponsor.

The Junior II Training Union enjoyed a Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lilley Tuesday night. Mrs. C. J. Johnson and Mrs. Roy Lilley were the sponsors.

The W. M. S. met Wednesday

MERRY Christmas

May the Christmas Spirit glow in your heart and Good Fortune smile brightly upon you through all the days of the New Year.

EARTH DRY GOODS

Season's Greetings

One of the special joys we find at Christmas time (along with trimming the tree and exchanging gifts) is reflecting on all the wonderful friends we have...and wishing each and everyone of you a most delightful holiday season.

LITTLE'S
in Littlefield

Wishing everyone merry merry Christmas

The time for joy, the time for peace;
The time for pleasures that never cease.
We wish you all at this time of year
A plentiful measure of Yuletide cheer!

Christmas Message...

On that Holy Night long ago, the Star shone... the herald angels sang, and shepherds harkened to the blessed promise of "Peace on Earth, Good Will to All Men." Prayerfully, Wise Men followed the Star to the place where He was. Now, may the spirit of that first Christmas be with us all, bringing comfort and inspiration for this holy season and every day of the New Year.

We wish you and yours all the joys of Christmas... and a holiday season rich in faith, hope and love.

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South Plains Hospital - Clinic

MAIN and 7th Street — AMHERST, TEXAS



DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am a girl in the second grade. I am 7 years old. I have been pretty good all year and hope you visit me this Christmas. I would like to have a doll in a play pen.

Your Friend
KATHY KELLEY

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am eight years old. I am in the second grade. Please bring me a football. Lots of candy and nuts.

Love
GENE GLASSCOCK

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am a boy in the second grade. I am 7 years old. I have been pretty good all year and hope you visit me this Christmas. I would like to have fun.

Your Friend
GEORGE ELBERT RUDD

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am a boy in the second grade. I am 8 years old.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am a boy in the second grade. I am 9 years old. I have been pretty good all year. I would like to have a bicycle.
Good bye to you Santa Claus.
Your Friend

JERRY

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am a girl in the second grade. I am 7 years old.

I have been pretty good all year. I wish every girl and boy a Happy Christmas.

I would like a doll for Christmas.
Your Friend
JENNIFER RUTH ANGELEY



WHOLE HOG OR NONE — These wild hogs and deer, were bagged on the Farias Ranch, private ranch of Ewing Halsell at Eagle Pass by this group who proudly displays them. Back row Ted Haber, Gene Templeton, Jno. S. McMurty, Muleshoe; Jackie Murrell and H. O. Murrell, both of Tucumcari; front row Bobby Murrell, T. V. Murrell and Joanny Murrell.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am a girl in the second grade. I am 8 years old. I have been pretty good all year and hope you visit me this Christmas.
I would like you to bring me a doll.
I love you, I like you Santa Claus.

From DONNA

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am a little boy 4 years old.

Please bring me a road grader, a set of guns, a tractor and a truck. Remember the other children too.

Your Friend
BOBBY JACK ANGELEY

Graphite, Texas, in eastern Llano County, was built to graphite, but actually was used to ship cattle. Graphite is a station name on a spur of the Texas and New Orleans railroad.



CHRISTMAS Greetings

We hope you and yours enjoy a hearty Holiday... brimful of the love and joy that make Christmas.

MARKET BASKET GROCERY
EARTH, TEXAS

I have been pretty good all year and hope you visit me this Christmas.
I would like to have a boat and a car.

Love
MICKEY

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am a girl in the second grade. I am 10 years old. I have been pretty good all year and hope you will visit me this Christmas.
I would like to have skates.

Your Friend
LUPE

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am eight years old. Please bring me a chemistry set and an erector set. I would like a cowboy belt and a rifleman's gun.

Thank You
STEVE JACKSON



Here's wishing all our friends and neighbors a very, very Merry Christmas

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MULESHOE, TEXAS

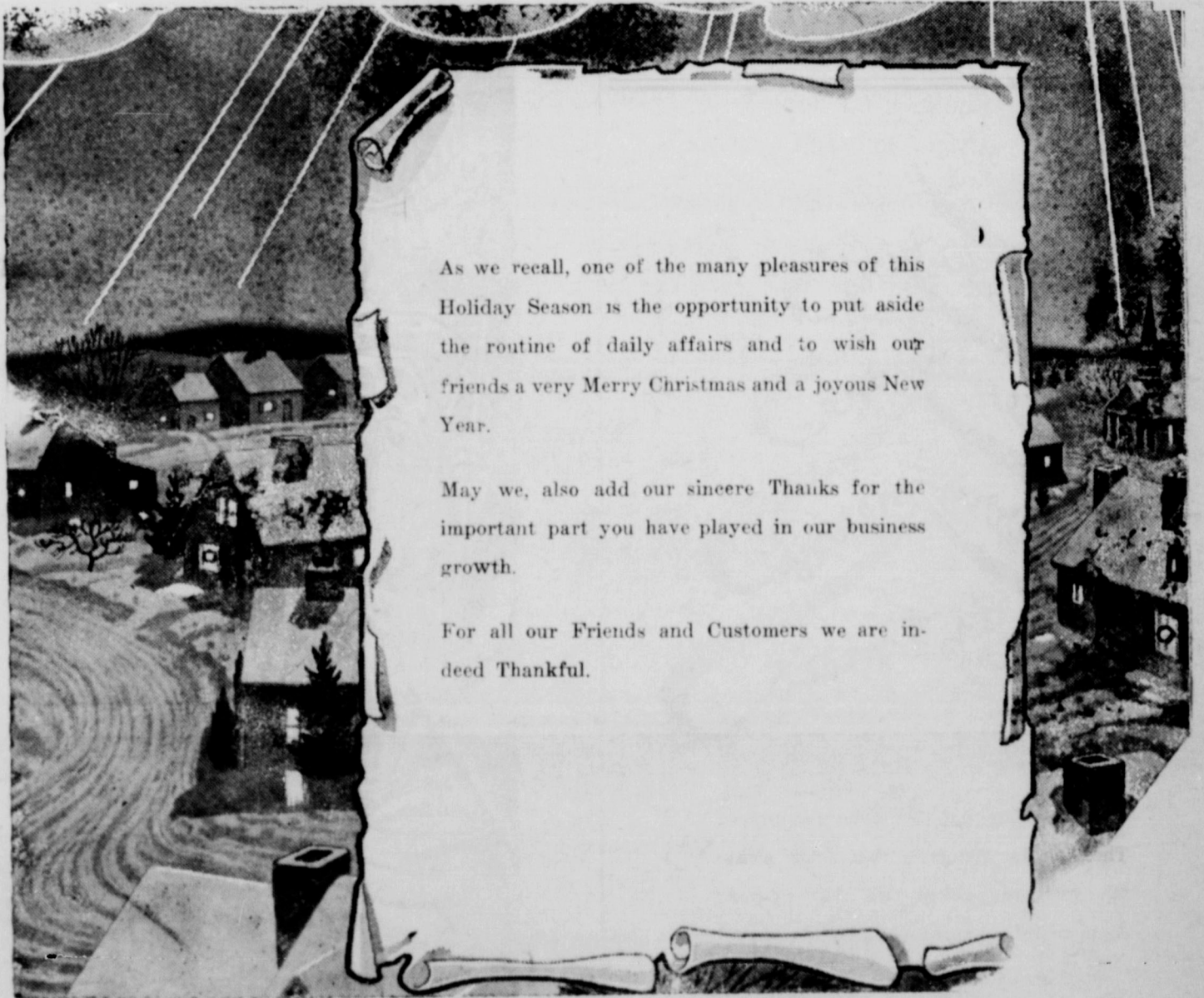
One of the greatest pleasures of Christmas comes in sending good wishes to our friends.
Your friendship and patronage has made our work more enjoyable, and we want you to know that we sincerely appreciate your every consideration.
So here's hoping that yours will be a very Merry Christmas.

GREETINGS



B & C PUMP AND MACHINE WORKS
EARTH, TEXAS

WE'RE GREATFUL



As we recall, one of the many pleasures of this Holiday Season is the opportunity to put aside the routine of daily affairs and to wish our friends a very Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year.

May we, also add our sincere Thanks for the important part you have played in our business growth.

For all our Friends and Customers we are indeed Thankful.

Sunnyside Grain & Supply
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DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am in the 2nd grade and 8 years old. I would like for you to bring me a Bride Doll and some books. Some books to (I love to read) And I would also like some toys. I have been a good girl all year.

Best Wishes

ZONA JANE BRANSCUM

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

Please bring me a safe, a miss camera, a telescope. Please bring me a box of candy.

Love

PERRY DON O'HAIR

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am 8 years old. I want a basketball. Please bring me a pogo stick.

Love

DONNA SUE BLACKWELL

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I want a bicycle and a train, I want some gloves, I want some candy, I want some guns.

GARY LAYMAN

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I want a doll for Christmas. I am 9 years old and a good girl sometimes. I want some dishes. I love you Santa Claus.

MARIA VEGA

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

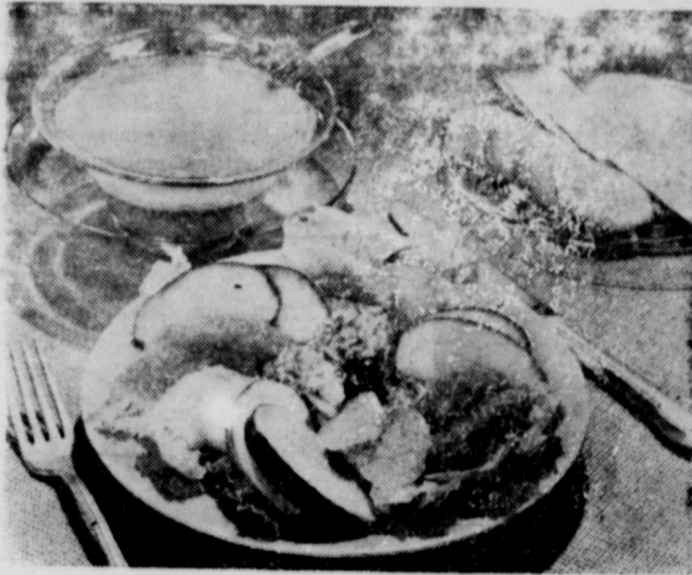
Please bring me a baseball bat. I am 7 years old now. I like you Santa Claus I know you.

BRIAN HAMILTON

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I want a baby doll. I am 7 years old. I have been a good girl. I am

WINTER'S FRUITS IN SALADS



By JANE ASHLEY

Fresh tangy grapefruit and oranges and crisp slices of apples with their colorful skins! They are most typical of winter's fruits either shipped from warmer areas or stored in the amazing cooled warehouses which help to bring us fruits at their tempting best. Combine the fruits and dress them with an easy to make corn oil dressing, delicately sweetened with light Karo syrup and seasoned to taste with celery seed and dry mustard. Nut coated cream cheese balls may be added to make a main dish luncheon salad.

Celery Seed Dressing

- 1 tablespoon grated onion
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 1 teaspoon dry mustard
- 1 teaspoon celery seed
- 1 cup corn oil
- 1/2 cup light Karo syrup
- 1/4 to 1/2 cup vinegar

Place all ingredients in a small bowl. Beat with rotary beater until well blended and thickened. Pour into container with cover. Chill thoroughly. Shake before serving. Makes 1 1/2 cups.

Fruit Salad

- Orange slices
- Grapefruit slices
- Pineapple slices
- Apple slices
- Cream cheese balls
- Crisp lettuce leaves
- Celery Seed Dressing

Wash greens and store in refrigerator until crisp. Peel and section grapefruit and oranges. Drain canned pineapple slices. Arrange on plate. Serve with Celery Seed Dressing and assorted crisp crackers.

In room 12, my teacher is Mrs. Achee. Thank you Santa Claus. Bring me everything you can.

JOYCE LYNNE HANSEN

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am a girl in the second grade. I am seven years old.

I have been pretty good all year and I hope you will visit me this Christmas.

I would like to have a doll.

Your Friend

VIRGINIA JO ANGELEY

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am a girl in the second grade. I am 7 years old. I have been pret-

ty good all year and hope you visit me this Christmas.

I would like to have skates.

MYRNA to SANTA CLAUS

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am a boy in the second grade. I am 7 years old.

I have been pretty good all year and hope you visit me this Christmas. I would like to have a football, bike, jack hammer and drill.

Your Friend

DAVID LYNN TEMPLETON

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I would like to have a bicycle and a doll and a pair of skates.

And I would like to have a pair of ear muffs. And I want a watch for my daddy. And a new dress for my mother. And will you give the other children toys for Christmas.

Love

DEBRA PARISH

DEAR SANTA:

I am three years old. Please bring me a gun and holster, a Zorro set, and a farm set.

Don't forget to bring my friends something.

Love

BRIAN SANDERSON

DEAR SANTA:

I am in the first grade. I am six years old.

Will you please bring me a "Have Gun Will Travel" set? I would also like to have a Fort Pioneer set, bowling pins, a football and a Joe Palooka striking bag. Thank you and a Merry Christmas to you.

Love

STEVE SANDERSON

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am a boy in the second grade. I am nearly 8 years old.

I have been pretty good all year and hope you will visit me this Christmas.

I would like to have a bicycle and a pogo stick.

Your Friend

JIMMY

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am seven and one half years old and I would like to have a toodies doll, stuffed monkey, records, and doll clothes. Fill my stocking too.

Love

DEBBIE MATLOCK

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am a good girl at school. I want a big doll for Christmas. Please bring me the doll. I love you Santa Claus.

We have a Christmas tree and want some Christmas presents.

Love

IREN GUERRA



A Merry Christmas

Our Yuletide best to all our friends ... for a season packed with all the wonderful things that Christmas means!

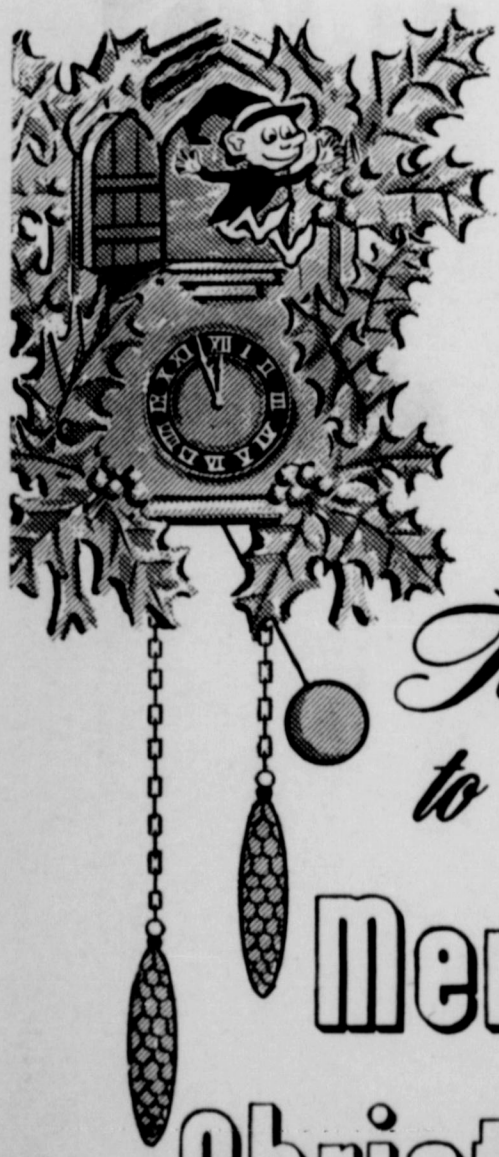
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Here they are!
The season's best wishes to all our wonderful friends. May you enjoy to the fullest every minute of this glorious holiday.

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Time to say:

Merry Christmas

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EARTH, TEXAS



HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Again it's the Holiday Season and as we approach this wonderful occasion we are mindful of the many pleasant associations and experiences that have come our way during the twelve months just closing. The friendships resulting from these associations mean much to us and we hope to merit the confidences and loyalty which they have brought. We're sincerely grateful for your splendid support and we are aware of our obligation to offer the finest service to you. May the Christmas be overflowing with goodness and happiness for you and those dear to you.

EARTH GIN COMPANY

New Snack for Holidays

By Betty Barclay

WHEN the last bit of tinsel has been hung on the Christmas tree, it's time to relax and snack. Here's a delicious new confection for the occasion. This combination of crispy ABC's (alphabet oat cereal) with chocolate and peanut butter will be a favorite—whether you serve them with pop, punch or eggnog.

Christmas Crispies
4 squares candy-making chocolate; 2 tablespoons peanut butter; 1 1/2 cups Alpha-Bits.

Melt chocolate and peanut butter together over hot water. Meanwhile, arrange 1 cup of the cereal in small, flat clusters (about 1 1/4 inches in diameter) on waxed paper. Stir melted chocolate and peanut butter until smooth and blended. Drop by teaspoon onto cereal clusters, covering the centers only. (Use enough chocolate mixture for each to hold cluster together.) Top each cluster with an Alpha-Bit. Chill until firm. Makes 35 to 40.

Note: To keep crisp and firm, store in refrigerator.

High Plains Small Grain Tests Results Announced by A - M

Results of small grain variety tests conducted in 1956 in the High Plains area by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and cooperating agencies have been released.

The tests were conducted at the U. S. Great Plains Field Station at Bushland and on the farms of cooperators R. Hale of Floyd county and Horace Sneed and Eller Brothers of Sherman county. Dr. K. B. Porter, agronomist at the Plains Station supervised the tests with county agents Cecil Lewis of Floyd and Ernest Goule of Sherman county cooperating on the off-station plantings.

Under irrigation at Bushland, the wheat variety, Bison, ranked first among the commercial varieties with an average of 45.1 bushels per acre. Early Blackhull, Concho, Ponca, Wichita and Crockett followed in order. At Stratford, Wichita ranked first with 43.9 bushels per acre, with Crockett, Cheyenne, Bison and Early Blackhull following in that order. The yields at Floydada were much lower. Wichita ranked first with 12.6 bushels per acre followed by Crockett, Concho, Early Blackhull and Ponca.

Under dryland tests at Bushland, Ponca led with 31.9 bushels with Early Blackhull, Bison and Concho following in order. Early Blackhull was first at Stratford with a yield of 18.2 bushels with Wichita, Crockett and Concho following in order.

Recommendations of varieties for the area are based on results of several years of testing plus the quality characteristics of the varieties. The highest yields under ir-

rigation in the Panhandle have been produced by Concho, Crockett, Ponca and Cheyenne. Dryland tests show Concho, Crockett, Westar, Bison and Comanche to be among the most satisfactory. Early varieties, such as Wichita, Early Blackhull and Triumph have averaged less than mid-season varieties.

Fall sown oat tests at Bushland and Floydada, for 1955 and 1956 over a period of years show that Mustang Bronco and Wintok have produced the best yields and are the most winter hardy. Spring seeded tests show Mustang and Mustang to be the best varieties for spring plantings.

Fall sown barley tests were also conducted at Bushland and Floydada. Cordova ranked first with a yield of 42.3 bushels per acre with Wintex, Dicktoo, Rogers and Kearney following in that order. Kearney has been found to be the most winter hardy and also to have considerable resistance to greenbugs. Spring seeding of barley has not been very successful in the area. Over a period of years, Cordova and Wintex have made



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the best yields for spring seeding.

Dr. I. M. Atkins, agronomist in charge of small grain investigations for the Texas Station, has summarized the 1956 statewide variety trials and the Station has recently released B-899 which summarizes tests conducted from 1949-57. Copies are available from the Agricultural Information Office College Station, Texas.

Party Line.....

Mrs. C. W. Terry, Mrs. Golden Green and Terry will visit with Mrs. Greens' sister-in-law, Mrs. Jeanette Robbins in Canyon, Christmas.

—PL—

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wood and Judy and Tracy Angeley will spend Christmas Day with Mrs. Wood's sister, Mrs. R. V. Tarter in Quanah, Texas.



On your journey through the Holiday Season, may good health and happiness always ride with you.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

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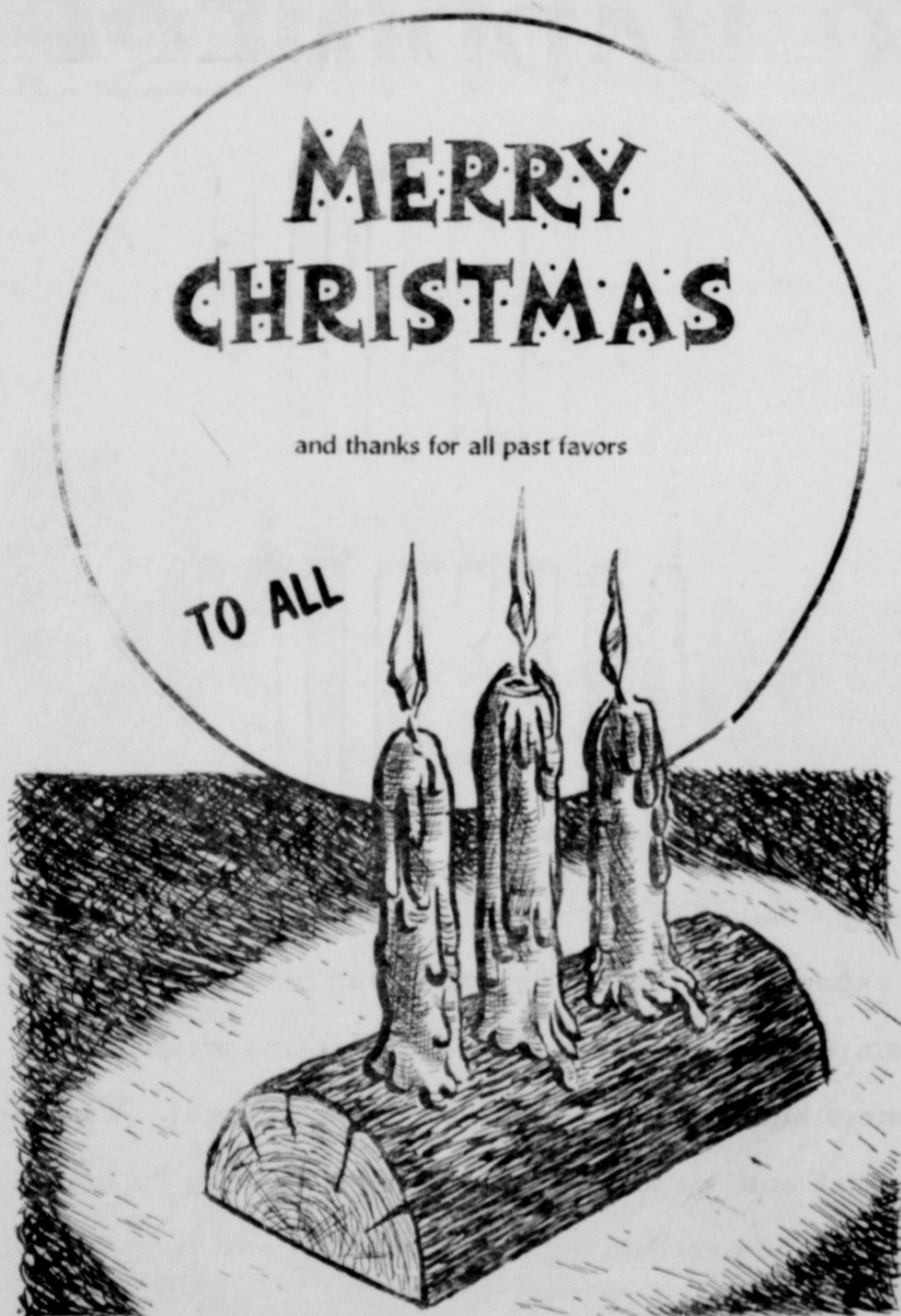


Joyous Christmas Wishes

May the Christmas spirit of Peace and Good Fellowship shine in your heart now and always.

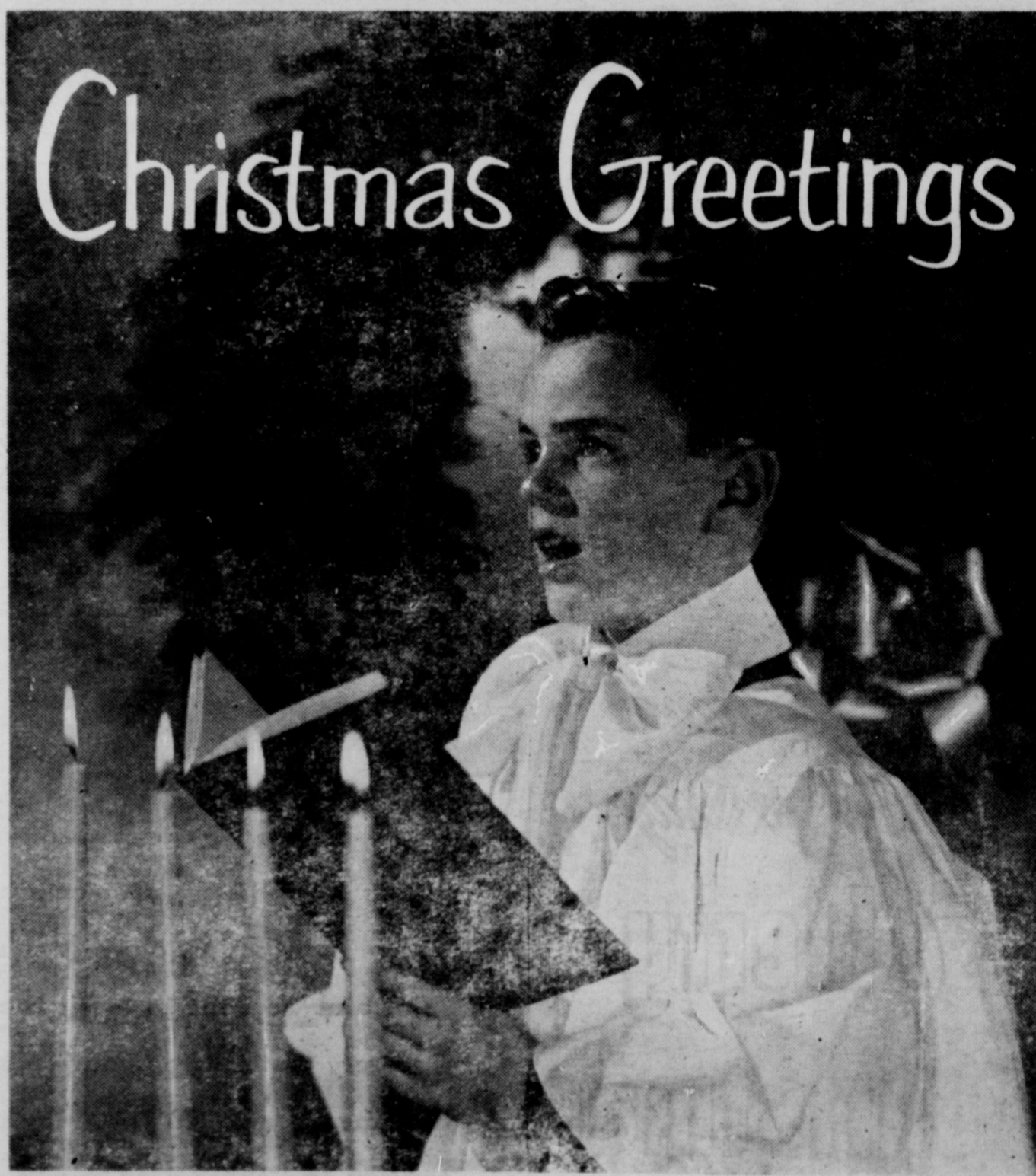
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