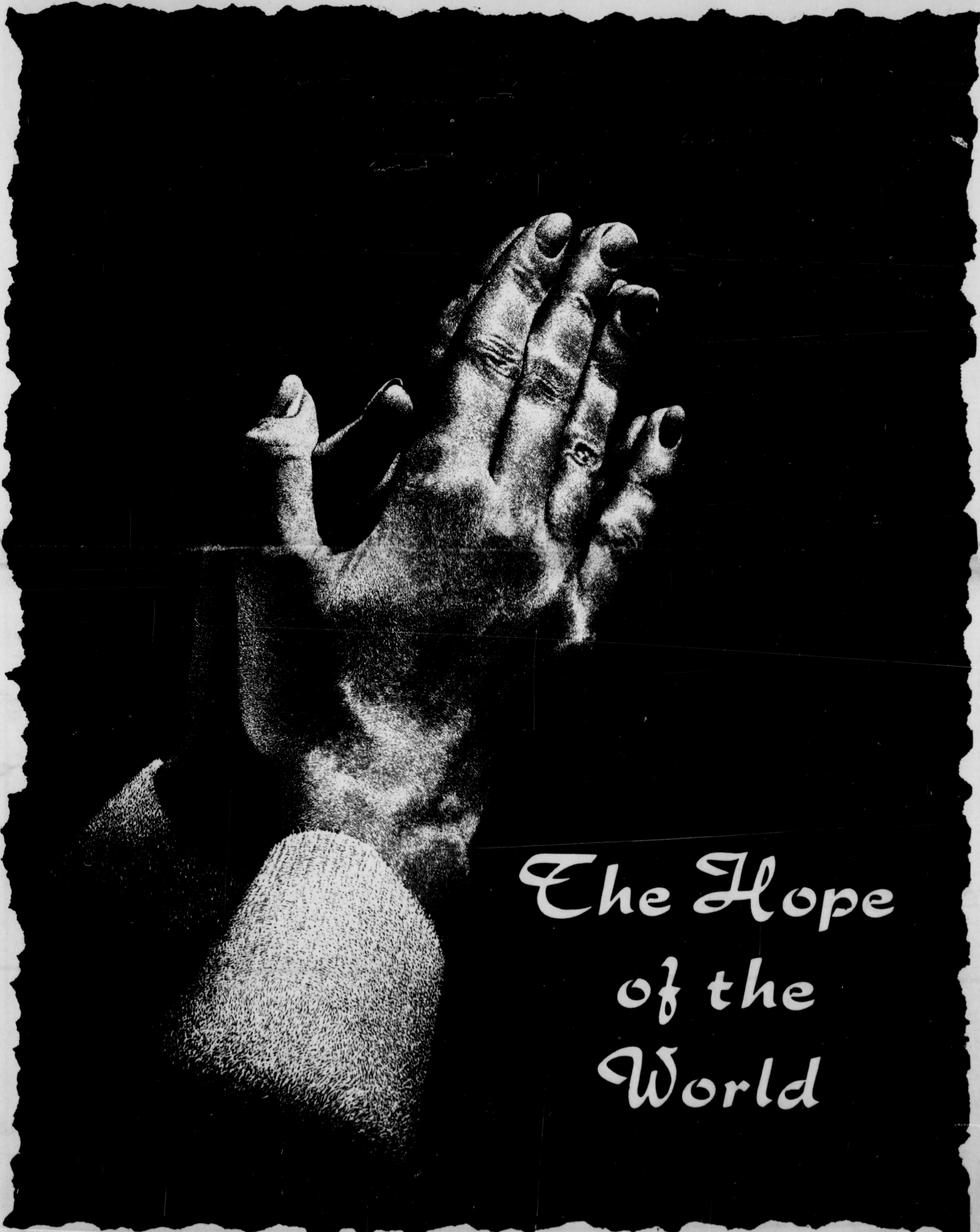


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## Lighting Contest Winners Announced

The residence of Mrs. M. E. Kelly on east highway 70 was named winner of the \$35 first place prize in the annual Chamber of Commerce Lighting Contest in Earth. The judging took place Saturday and Sunday nights.

The second place winner of \$20 went to the Jimmy Goodwin home located on west highway 70. The third place prize of \$10 was presented to Mrs. J. J. Davis on east highway 70.

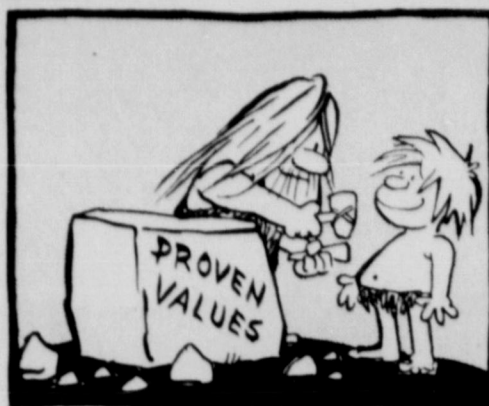
Prizes were awarded to these Earth residents on the basis of their creativity and excellent application of home Christmas decorations.

Pioneer Natural Gas Company was named the winner in the business division of the contest and will receive a lovely plaque.

The first place prize for the contest was furnished through the courtesy of Southwestern Public Service Company. Second and third place prizes and the plaque for the business division were furnished by the local Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Dixon of Booker were Sunday dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Coker. Mr. Dixon is a brother of Mrs. Coker.

### PROGRESS



### NEW YEAR'S, 1971

The month of January is named after an ancient Latin divinity, Janus, often represented in Roman coinage as having one head with two bearded faces, one looking forward and the other backward.

Janus was worshipped as the god of gods, the sovereign disposer of war and peace and the dispenser of the futures of mankind. All doors and all passages were said to be under his care.

The symbolism of this mythological diety is especially appropriate in this uncertain time. We appear to be on the edge of a new era, but true progress in human relationships and material well-being must be built on the proven values and accomplishments of our heritage.

As Hamlet said, "What is a man, if the chief good and market of his time be but to sleep and feed? a beast, no more. Sure he that made us with such large discourse, looking before and after, gave us not that capability and god-like reason to fust in us unused."

## Select The Right Toys For Christmas

Christmas toys are always the easiest and most fun to shop for because they don't require careful consideration.

Right? Wrong!

Selecting play materials for children requires the same selectivity as any other Christmas item, reminds Jane Fleischer, Extension family life education specialist at Texas A & M University.

Toys, of course, should be safe. Safety requires toy construction so that no items can be pulled off and swallowed, or that none can be broken off, leaving sharp edges.

Toys should have non-conducting cord material, such as cotton. However, any string will carry electricity when wet.

Toy hammers and mallets should have securely fastened handles, and wheels on wooden toys should be fastened well, preferably with screws.

Toys with keys should not revolve when the toy is working. Since toys are for children, select ones that the child can manage himself. A toy for any age should give the child a feeling of adequacy and should set the appropriate standard for physical and mental development. For example, most mechanical toys may be too intricate for children under four years old.

But toys should not be too restrictive. Choose one that offers variety for the child's needs. It should stimulate imagination and make-believe, encourage quiet play or vigorous body activity, apply both to playing alone and group activity. Pets or toy gardening equipment fit this category.

Toys should suit the child's stage of development. Usually, the toys are marked with an age range, but these ages

vary with the individual child's development.

Pre-schoolers need activity for developing large muscles. Their toys should stimulate imaginative play and should require use of hands.

Young elementary children need toys that develop large muscles and that encourage social development, as do stories. Arts and crafts help the child to coordinate fine muscles.

Older elementary children require group development through team sports. And,

they may acquire skills through hobby, paint or musical toys.

Toys, of course, must be suitable for the play space and storage facilities available in your home. A big play house wouldn't fit into small apartment living. Or, would you have room to store a hundred piece farm set?

Children of all ages are especially fond of puppets, dolls, dress-up clothes and house-keeping kits which enable them to practice role playing. Learning roles is very important for the child because he

## Tips On Removing Holiday Food Stains

Holidays mean good food, good times, and saying goodbye to good linens and garments decorated with cranberry stains, turkey gravy and candle wax.

But a few helpful hints on stain removing can restore beauty to soiled garments, she adds.

Cranberry stains are one of the hardest to remove. Promptly take stained garments and linen to a professional dry-cleaner. Swift action will usually provide results.

To remove gravy from a washable fabric, either sponge the material with cleaning fluid or soak it in the fluid. If stains remain, wash the cloth in warm suds and rinse. For dry cleaned fabrics, sponge with cool water, let dry then sponge with cleaning fluid or cleaning powder.


If candle wax drips on a washable fabric, remove excess wax with a dull knife. Place a towel under the stain and wet it thoroughly several times with a commercial dry-cleaning solvent. Dry and launder in heavy suds. For non-wash-

able fabrics, remove excess wax with knife and sponge with a commercial drycleaning solvent.

Another method of removing candle wax is placing blotters over and under the stain then pressing with a warm iron. This method is effective to some

degree, but it should be used only for grease from white candles. Heat sometimes turns the dye from colored candles into a difficult-to-remove stain.

Rex Clayton was admitted to the South Plains Hospital in Amberst Wednesday suffering from influenza.



### FINANCIAL FACTS

By: NORLAN DUDLEY

### PLAN AHEAD

Newlyweds, do you want some sound advice on saving money when you're just starting out?

Probably the first thing you'll be faced with after your honeymoon is where to live. Here are some important things to consider when you are making your decisions.

First, the important thing is to build up a savings account so you will be able to buy the necessities. A good way to do this is not to go out and buy a house and try to decorate and furnish it immediately. A house has more room than you'll be needing for a long time.

By finding a small apartment with enough room to live comfortably, you'll save mon-

ey that you will be able to apply to your dream home. This will also give you enough time to decide what type of house you want and where you want it.

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## Mrs. Burl Hamilton Wins SWPS Prize

Mrs. Burl Hamilton was named winner of a beautiful ladies sweater as a prize for outstanding sales in the Southwestern Public Service Light Bulb Selling Contest.

Twice a year the company has a light bulb sales contest. In the two years Mrs. Hamilton has been employed, she has won a prize in each contest. The two prizes she received prior to this contest were a make-up mirror and a hair setter. Prizes are given for employees selling a certain quota of light bulbs.

## Christmas Party Held By Pack

Cub Scout Pack 614 met Thursday evening in the Community Building and celebrated with a Christmas party. Each boy presented gifts to his mother and father which he had made in Cub Scouts. Among these were wooden paper weights with "Chip Off The Old Block" and a picture of the boy on them for the fathers, perfume puffs in crystal painted bottles, Christmas card holders and recipe holders for the mothers.

Fun followed for all in the form of an old fashioned carol sing.

the singing of "We Wish You A Merry Christmas."

No gifts were exchanged but each child brought an article of food and a Christmas ornament for a Helper Box. A Christmas tree was also purchased.

Assisting Cub Master Don Taylor were den mothers Donna Neinst, Mary Clavton, Bettie Hausmann, and assistants Linda Green, La Verne Fennell, Teresa Smith, Beverly Taylor and den chiefs Greg Welch, Steve Green and Bryan Taylor.

## Local Firms To Close

Local business firms in Earth have indicated they will close Christmas Day so they and their employees can spend Christmas with their families and loved ones.

Among the stores that will be closed the 25 of December will include Taylor's Market Basket, Fuller Gulf Station, Earth Oil and Gas Company, Brown and Jordan Equipment Company, Bryant's, Citizens State Bank and Dent's Farm Supply.



A JOYOUS OCCASION-Christmas at the Head home is a time of thankfulness and contentment and a time to count the many blessings of life. Shown around the tree is Mr. and Mrs. Head and their children Jerald, Kelly, Kathy and Vicki.

Other business firms in Earth have indicated in addition to being closed Christmas Day they will be closed an additional day. Pattersons Pay and Save, Farm Chemical and Grain, City Office, Earth Auto Parts, Layman Brothers, Earth Cleaners, Earth Super Save, Howell's 216, KMI Lake Pump, McMillan Bookkeeping, Parsons-Ellis-Singleton, Pioneer Natural Gas, Quicksall-Pryor, Redi-Fuel Inc., Southwestern Public Service, Sun-Vue Fertilizers, Unique Fashions and Pounds, Modern Hair Design, Trim and Slim and the Wolfert Drive. It will be closed until the 29th.

## My Neighbors



"Recognize me lady? I'm your son James...the one you abandoned to first grade this morning..."

## "Happiness Is" PTA Program

"Happiness Is" was the PTA program given Tuesday at 1:00 under the direction of choral director, Miss Donna Benke. "Happiness Is" was a play consisting of four scenes. The fifth and sixth grade chorus sang "Happiness Is" between each scene.

The first scene was entitled "Happiness Is Getting Ready For Christmas." This was presented by Mrs. Pat McCord's fourth grade class.

The third grade boys and girls presented the second scene entitled "Happiness Is Waiting." Each boy was dressed as a gingerbread man and each girl was a candy cane.

Mrs. Gordon Sander's fourth grade class presented the third scene "Happiness Is A Family Together At Christmas Time." The fifth and sixth grades presented "Happiness Is The Christmas Story" which was the manger scene.



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## Services Held For Mother Of O. J. Parrish

Funeral services for Mrs. W. O. (Gladys) Parrish, 76, of Sudan, were held Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. in the First Baptist Church in Sudan.

Mrs. Parrish died about 3 p. m. Sunday in the South Plains Hospital at Amarillo where she had been a patient three months.

Mrs. Parrish came to Sudan in 1924 with her husband. Interment was in the Sudan Cemetery with Payne Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Grandsons served as pallbearers.

Survivors include her husband; five sons, Nolan and Truman, both of Sudan, O. J. of Earth, Arnold of Post and Loye Dale of Anaheim, California; nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. J. J. Coker, Jo Anne Coker and Mrs. Michael Burgess were among the guests at a bridal luncheon honoring Mrs. Barbara Ramsey, bride-elect of Robert Coker, on Saturday at noon, December 19. Other guests were Miss Ramsey's mother, her two grandmothers, her bridal attendants, and other members of her bridal party. Her aunts and cousins were hostesses for the occasion in the Hemphill-Wells Gold Room in Monterey Center in Lubbock.

Merry Christmas  
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Womens Page

# Ramsey-Coker Vows Exchanged Saturday In Lubbock

In an impressive candlelighted ceremony in the Ford Memorial Chapel of the First Baptist Church in Lubbock at 5:00 p. m., Saturday, December 19, Miss Barbara Kaye Ramsey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sheperd Ramsey of Houston became the bride of Robert Bruce Coker, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Coker of Earth.

Rev. Johnnie Williams, pastor of the Earth United Methodist Church, read the double ring vows before an improvised altar entwined with greenery and accented with a white wedding bow. Immediately behind the altar was a beautiful arrangement of white gladiolus and gladiolus. The front of the chapel was enhanced by three candelabras holding white lighted tapers and baskets of fern and Christmas greenery.

Miss Jo Carol Felton of Childress served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Be Linda Leftwich of Lubbock and Jo Anne Coker of Springlake, sister of the groom. Janet Sue Ramsey of Houston was her sister's junior bridesmaid. The bride's attendants wore identical formal length gowns designed in moss green velvet and satin. The bodice of velvet featured a jewel neckline, long sleeves with a flare ruffle at the wrist, and a softly gathered column skirt of satin. The front waist was accented with a large Dior bow and the back waist with a small flat bow. Their headpieces were a Dior bow of the moss green satin gathered with a band of velvet. Two tiers of illusion flowed from the bows. They carried cascades of gladiolus with centers of holly and garlands of English Ivy.

Kenneth Dawson of Lubbock served the groom as best man. Groomsmen were Joe Bob Mayo of Petersburg and Kent and Jimmy Coker of Springlake, brothers of the groom. Ushers were David Scarborough of Petersburg, Andy Keaton of Bonham, Kent Bowerman of Lubbock and Tom Currer of Kennedy.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Ramsey chose a soft pink costume suit of Alaskine accented with rhinestone clips that fastened the hip-length jacket. She wore a slim feather spray in her hair and shoes in matching pink. Her corsage was of pink orchids and her gloves were white.

For her son's wedding, Mrs. Coker was attired in a dress of light green lace over taffeta. Her dress had long sleeves and rhinestone button trim. She wore a small veil hat and shoes



MRS. ROBERT BRUCE COKER (formerly Barbara Kaye Ramsey)

In matching green. Her corsage was of orchids and her gloves were off-white.

Immediately following the wedding party and guests was given in the parlor of the church. The table was laid with an embroidered sheer white linen floor length cloth with appointments of silver and crystal. The table was centered with an arrangement of white bridal roses and mums interspersed with holly and English Ivy. Lighted caudles in silver holders flanked the flowers. The three tiered wed-

ding cake was decorated in the bride's chosen colors of green and white, and topped with three white wedding bells circled with pearls. Serving in the house party were Mrs. Robert Rod of Houston, Mrs. Michael Burgess of Greenbelt, Maryland, Mrs. Joyce Kettle, Houston, and Miss Susie Me-nick of Weatherford. Guests were registered by Mrs. Cary Gay Williams of Menard.

The bride left on a wedding trip to San Antonio wearing a brown knit suit. Mrs. Coker is a candidate for graduation in May from Texas Tech with

a degree in elementary education. She is a member of Alpha Delta Pi social sorority.

The groom is also a May candidate for graduation from Tech with a degree in agricultural engineering. He is president of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and secretary of Alpha Epsilon, honor engineering fraternity.

The couple will be at home at 3909 University Avenue in Lubbock.

## Troop 308 Goes Caroling

Springlake Brownie Troop 308 met at the home of Kathy Bibby following school hours Thursday to go Christmas caroling.

The girls caroled at five homes in Springlake. Afterwards, the girls returned to exchange gifts.

Refreshments of hot dogs, potato chips, corn chips and hot chocolate were served to Kim Haydon, Jeanne Haydon, Teresa Lunsford, Beverly King, Nellie Palacio, La Cretia James, Lesa Templeton, and leaders Kathy Bibby and Carlene Jones. Mrs. Bill Lunsford helped with transportation during the caroling event.

## Troop 101 Carols

Earth Brownie Troop 101 met at 6:00 p. m. Monday at Mrs. Earl Jordan's home and prepared for Christmas caroling. The troop caroled at the entire Hite Park addition and were treated at several homes.

The girls returned to Mrs. Jordan's and exchanged gifts. Afterwards hot chocolate and cupcakes were served to the 14 girls attending.

## Inez Inglis TOPS Queen

Inez Inglis was crowned TOPS Queen Monday evening with a loss of 3/4 pound.

There were eight women present and Florence Gover, recorder, recorded a loss of 3/4 pound and no gain for all attending.

Era Walker's name was drawn from the capsule, but she was not present.

The next meeting will be Thursday, December 31.

## Party Line

Mrs. Willa Mae Thompson, mother of Mrs. Don Taylor, arrived Sunday at her daughter's home for an extended visit.

## Ann Kelley Grand Visitor At Rainbows

Gifts were placed under a beautifully decorated tree and later exchanged. Everyone enjoyed the activities and wished each one present a Merry Christmas.

## Mission Study Book Completed

The mission study book "Tween Age Ambassadors" was completed Wednesday by the Springlake G.A.'s. The study was on missions in China. Each girl was given a Chinese fortune cookie, and the class is under the supervision of Mrs. Frances Watson.

Mrs. Delvin Walden read the Christmas Story from Luke 2 in the Bible and then closed with a prayer.

The girls were then dismissed and were entertained with the exchanging of gifts.

Mrs. Ernest Baker served refreshments of cookies and punch.

Those attending were Ranae Winder, Tammy Davis, Bobbie and Robbie Mosley, Susan Clayton, Teresa Lunsford, Sheryl Clayton, Mrs. Frances Watson and Mrs. Delvin Walden.

## Cokers Host Rehearsal Dinner

Mrs. Ann Kelley was presented in the east in the Earth Masonic Lodge Hall on her official visit to the Earth Rainbow Chapter Monday. She gave the girls instructions on initiation and conducted a question and answer period.

Connie Kelley was also presented in the east. She is on the Junior Grand Finance Committee.

A report was given on the canny sale.

Christmas caroling was discussed for being held Wednesday night. It was decided the girls would meet at the Lodge at 5:30 p. m. Wednesday and would return at 7:00 p. m. Caroling is the chapter's charity project.

Karen Hinchliffe, worthy advisor, read a poem, "The Windows of Gold."

The Hall was decorated in beautiful Christmas decorations.

A Christmas party was held after the meeting. A serving table was covered with a red cloth with white net overlay.

Red and white arrangements were used as centerpieces. Refreshments of punch, cupcakes and Christmas cookies were served to approximately 20 Rainbow girls and 8 adults.

The Ramsey-Coker wedding party was honored with a rehearsal dinner on Friday evening, December 18, at 8:00 p. m. in The Embers Steak House in Lubbock. Hosts for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Coker, parents of the groom.

The tables were covered with white cloths and decorated in the bride's chosen colors of moss green and white. The head table was centered with a miniature bride and groom encircled with white roses and lily of the valley. Extending from either side of the centerpiece were streamers of green satin bearing the names Barbara and Bob. Side tables were decorated with similar arrangements centered with large white candles. Small white votive candles with dark green holders were placed the length of the tables. The white place cards were decorated with sprays of lily of the valley and miniature wedding bells.

Rev. Johnnie Williams of the Earth United Methodist Church gave the invocation.



## Emily Clayton TOPS Queen

Mrs. Fred Clayton was crowned TOPS Queen Thursday of the Happy Losers Club with a total loss of 2 1/2 pounds. Mrs. Allen Gover was runner-up with a loss of 2 pounds.

Seven members were present and recorded a total loss of 7 1/2 pounds and a gain of 1/2 pound.

Miss Terri Inglis' name was drawn from the capsule but was not present to receive the \$1 prize.

The club decided to meet Monday at 5:00 instead of the regular meeting day, Thursday, due to the holidays.

Mrs. and Mrs. Don Atkinson, Donna, Debbie and Doniece of Bayfield, Colorado, were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Brock Sunday. They are former Earth residents.

# Season's Greetings

have the happiest of holidays

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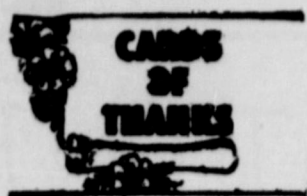
## Christmas Slumber Party Held

A Christmas Slumber Party was held at the R. S. Cole home Friday night. The slumber party is an annual event with a group of girls that have met together for five years. The girls have 3 slumber parties a year at different homes.

After a ball game, the girls arrived at the Cole house for an enchilada supper. The menu consisted of enchiladas,

tacos, nachos, chips and dips, Cokes and Dr. Peppers. Christmas candles and cookies were served as dessert.

The girls had drawn names and exchanged gifts. Those attending were Becky Littleton, Suzie Temple, Criss Dent, Janet Britton, Karen Dear, Sherry Pittman, LaNita Lunsford, Karen Hitchliffe, Marian Dawson, LaDonna Sigman and hostess Regina Cole.



Words are inadequate to describe our thankfulness for the many acts of kindness by our many friends throughout the area during my hospitalization and the weeks of illness at home.

Your prayers, gifts, flowers, food, cards, visits and telephone calls were all appreciated so very much. Feeling the love of family and friends make the days more pleasant. May God bless each of you in a very special way.

Wanda and Tom Sanders, Vicki, Toni and Becky and Phil Middleton

Frank Butter was admitted Sunday to Central Plains Hospital in Plainview with internal bleeding. Monday he was in intensive care.

## Kay Howell Scout Of The Week

Kay Howell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Howell of Springlake and a member of troop #309 was named Scout of the Week by Leaders of the troop in Springlake.

Kay was a Brownie at Monahans for a year. She joined troop 309 when she moved to Springlake two years ago.

Kay has earned four badges since she has been in troop 309.

She went troop camping at Camp Rio Blanco and attended Daisy Low Day Camp.

Her favorite color is green and she enjoys art and pets. Her favorite food is peanut butter and jelly.



KAY HOWELL

## "We Give Thanks" Is Program For Mission Friends

The Mission Friends met Wednesday for a program entitled "We Give Thanks." The children acted out the manger scene. The Christmas Story was read from Luke 2. The handicraft period was spent in making pictures of winter wonderland scenes.

Mrs. Bill Lunsford, leader, read the story "My Money Helps--How?"

The Mission Friends played musical instruments and sang Christmas carols.

A Little Moon Christmas Offering was collected and then Mrs. Lunsford said a group prayer.

Refreshments of Christmas cakes, cookies and Kool-Aid were served by Mrs. Ernest Baker to the Mission Friends. Those attending were Richard and Kelley Walden, Diane Jones, Jerry and Michael Field, Stephen Washington, Louis Mosley, Mike Rameriz, Reggie Russell, Rocky Lunsford, visitor, Johnny Lunsford, and Mrs. Bill Lunsford.

## Christmas Service Project Completed By Troop 309

Springlake Girl Scout Troop 309 worked on a Christmas service project at the Friday meeting. The girls sliced, baked and wrapped cookies to be delivered to six families in the community. As the girls finished they played various games.

Refreshments of sandwiches, potato chips and Cokes were served by mothers of troop

members before they departed to sing carols and deliver the cookies.

After completing the caroling, the girls returned to the Community Building and drew names to exchange gifts. They were served hot chocolate, marshmallows and cookies. Those attending were Susan Clayton, Belinda Hampton, Kathy King, Dina Jo Hampton, Renee Winder, Jill Barden, Tammy Davis, Connie Dear, Carrie Barden, Kay Howell and visitor Vicki Freeman.



Mr. and Mrs. Woodie Smith are the proud parents of a lovely little daughter, born at 10:30 p.m. Sunday in the Highland Hospital.

The little miss weighed 7 pounds 3/4 ounces. The couple have one other daughter, Shanna, 1 year old.

Mrs. Smith is the former Sherry Hutto. She is a former member of the News-Sun staff.

### Berries Brighten

The bright red berries of the Christmasberry, an evergreen shrub native to California, are widely used as Christmas decorations.

This shrub, with its thick, dark green leaves, can grow to a height of 15 feet. The Encyclopedia Americana says:

Its flowers are white. Its berries yellow or bright red. The Christmasberry is often known as the toyon.

## Pioneer Natural Gas Has Area Dinner

Pioneer Natural Gas employees of the Littlefield district met Friday night for a delicious spaghetti dinner and fellowship. Towns represented were Earth, Olton, Mileshee, Lovelland and Littlefield. The dinner consisted of spa-

ghetti with a delicious sauce, hot garlic bread, tossed salad, assorted pies, coffee and tea. The spaghetti sauce was specially prepared by Wiley Cawthon, Percy Edwards and Roy Howell, all of Littlefield. Charles Duval, district man-

ager of the Littlefield area, made appropriate comments about the company's progress. Those from Earth-Olton offices attending were Mr. and Mrs. Dale Riggs, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Weaver and Miss Irma Cooper.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Briggs and children of Fort Collins arrived at her parents' home, Rev. and Mrs. Johnnie Williams, Friday. They will stay for an extended visit during the holidays.

## SWPS Employees Feted With Christmas Party

The Southwestern Public Service Company employees of the Littlefield district had an enjoyable Christmas party in the Littlefield Community Building Friday night. The employees began the evening with Bingo. Winners were presented delicious hams.

A delicious turkey dinner with all the trimmings was served to those attending. Following the banquet, the group enjoyed visitation and dancing.

The Littlefield district consists of Mileshee, Sudan, Earth, Olton and Littlefield. Mr. and Mrs. Burl Hamilton attended from Earth.

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## Local Residents Make Plans For The Holidays

The Larry Hausmanns plan to spend Christmas Eve and Christmas Day in Lubbock with Mrs. Hausmann's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orbin Nowell. Afterwards they will leave for Yorktown to visit with Larry's mother, Mrs. Viola Hausmann for four days. The Hausmanns will leave for Tarpley then to visit with friends, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Tomlinson. They will return January 3.

The Dale Riggs family will leave for Lubbock to visit Mrs. Riggs' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Laughlin. Christmas Eve and stay Christmas Day. Saturday they plan to go to Odessa for several days and visit Dale's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Riggs. They will return home December 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Butler will enjoy their son's visit home, Pete Shoup from Albuquerque, New Mexico. He will arrive Christmas Eve and stay through Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lunsford will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Kersh, in Olton Christmas Day. Also Mrs. Lunsford's grandmother will be present, Mrs. B. B. Huguley.

The Johnny Collins family will leave the 24th for Hobbs, New Mexico, and visit his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sheller. They will leave Christmas Day to visit her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Greenup of Midland. They will return Sunday.



CHRISTMAS IS LOVE—Love is a glow in the faces of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Bulls as they watch their lovely little daughter, Wendy as she selects the prettiest package to open first.

The Doug Parish family will visit Mrs. Jim Gregory, mother of Mrs. Parish, in Lubbock, Christmas Eve and Christmas.

They will be joined by Mrs. Parish's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Wilkinson of Danmitt.

Richard Small, Samuel, Edwin and Susan from Clovis, New Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. Raiford Daniel, Albert, Jody, Donna, Hollis, Raiford III and Clifford of Earth.

The Dave Cavitts will visit Mrs. Cavitt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Simons of Plainview Christmas Day. Also attending the Christmas gathering will be Mrs. Cavitt's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Miller of Plainview. Mr. and Mrs. Miller's children's family will be present. Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Whatley of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Haley of Plainview.

The Don Taylor home will be bustling with two of Don's brothers and a niece on Christmas Day. Visiting will be Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Taylor of Olton, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Taylor of Clovis, New Mexico, and Mr. and Mrs. Terry Evans, also of Clovis.

Mr. and Mrs. Raiford Daniel, Sr. of Olton will have a full house Christmas Day when two daughters and a son bring their families to gather in their home. Those visiting will be Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Curtis, Dabra and Ronnie from Tucson, Arizona; Mr. and Mrs.

### Den 3 Meets

Den 3 met Wednesday afternoon and completed their gift making for Christmas.

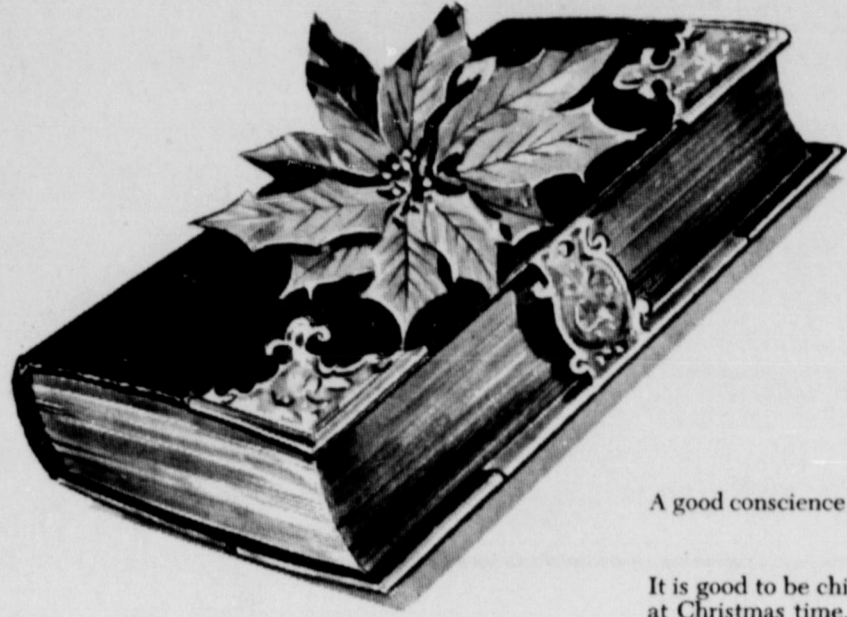
The den opened its meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and the singing of "America" led by Kyle Kelley.

Rudy DeLeon from Muleshoe, a past member, was a visitor.

Rodney Davis served refreshments of punch and tuna fish sandwiches to Ricky Higgins, Kyle Kelley, Lonnie Nelst, Mike Wimberly, Glen Hausmann, Jimmy Robbins, Greg Geissler, Den Chief Bryan Taylor and den mother, Mrs. Phil Nelst. Also a new member attended the meeting, Bryan Smith.

Doug Lewis and Leon Dant left Wednesday for San Angelo deer hunting. They returned Sunday.

## Words To Live By...



A good conscience is a continual Christmas.

Benjamin Franklin

It is good to be children sometimes, and never better than at Christmas time, when its mighty founder was a child, Himself.

Charles Dickens

Heap on more wood! The wind is chill. But let it whistle as it will, we'll keep our Christmas merry still.

Sir Walter Scott

Inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these My Brethren, you have done it unto me.


Matthew 25: 40

What can I give Him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb. If I were a wise man I would do my part, yet what can I give him: Give my heart.

Christina G. Rossetti

Take what is: trust what may be: That's life's true lesson.

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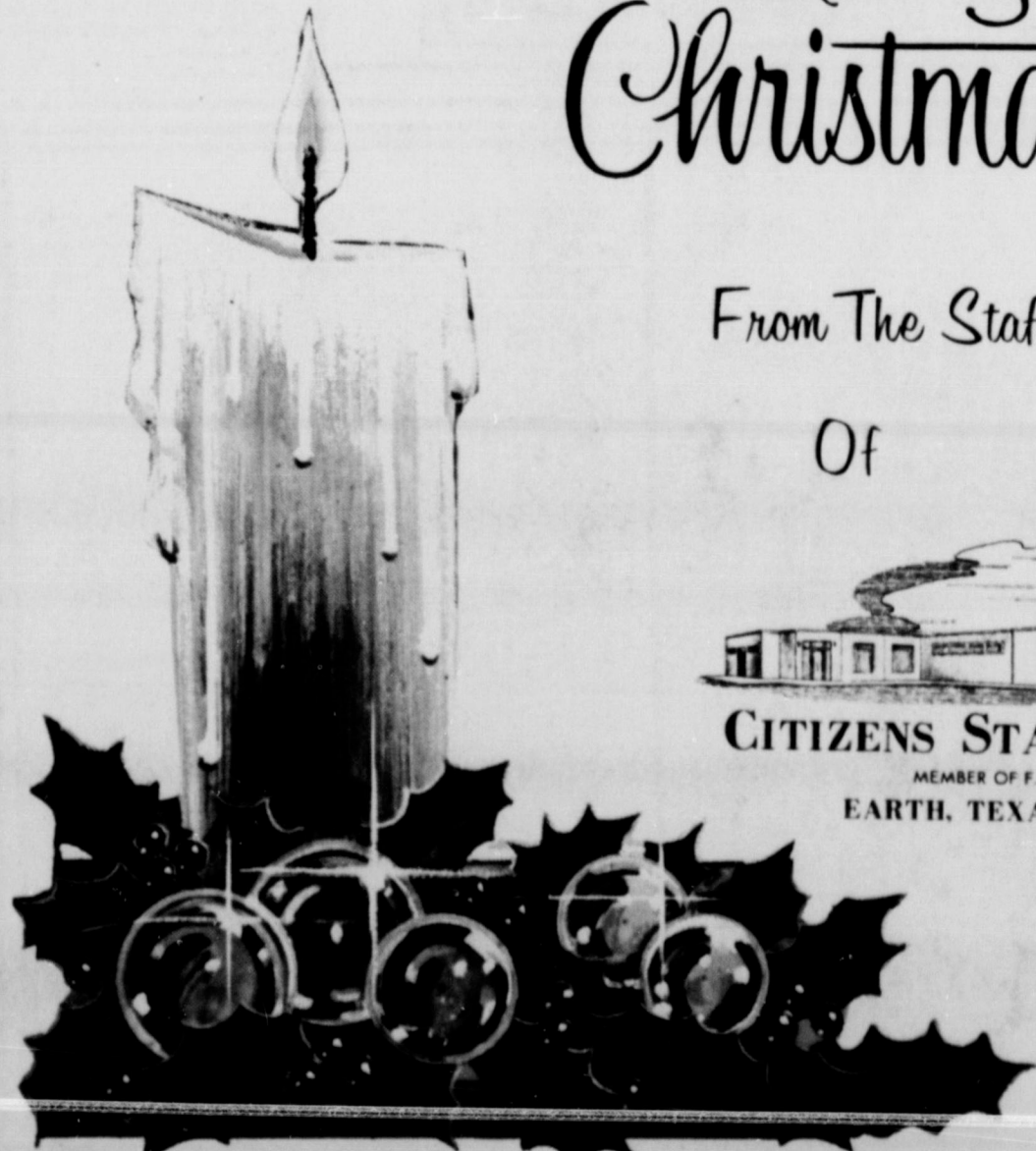
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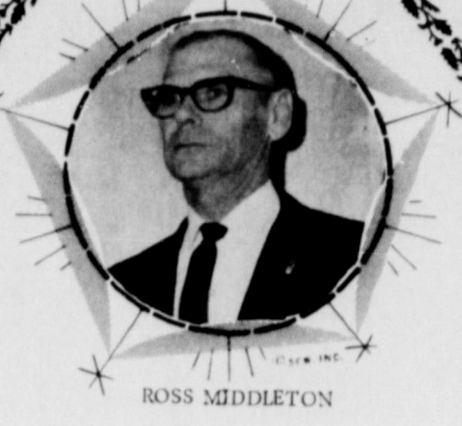
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# Santa Claus Arriving In Earth December 24

Santa Claus is scheduled to arrive in Earth at 1 p.m. December 24. He will go immediately to the Community Building where he will meet and talk with the children and distribute candy.

Due to the lateness of his arrival, Santa will be traveling on the fire truck rather than by his sleigh. He has informed us that his reindeer are resting and will be in top condition for their Christmas Eve journey around the world.

This will be Santa's final stop before returning to the North Pole.

Santa's visit to Earth is sponsored by the Local Lions Club.

## High School Honor Roll

The Springlake-Earth High School Honor Roll was announced for the second six weeks by high school principal Ward Cooksey. They are: Donna Lowery, Jan Cleavinger, Karen Hinchliffe, Johnny Kelley, Regina Moore, Marian Dawson, Carl Sulzer, Julie Cleavinger, Elaine Hanson, Becky Littleton, Kim Welch, Darla Dear, Guy Davis, Scott Lee, Pat Cleavinger, Kim Kelley, Gay Ellis, Deanna Cavitt and Denise Morgan.

B Honor Roll students are: Laneta Lansford, Jennifer Myers, Jimma Banks, Carlene Jones, Jo Anne Coker, Becky Pittman, Brenda Cavitt, Sherry Lowery, Debbie Green, Kevin Anderson, Hoyt Glasscock, Chris Dent, Sammy Matlock, Ronda Clayton, Joan Dudley, Janis Bridge, Connie Kelley, Brian Sanderson, Vickie Head, Lesa Morgan, Paige Gaston, Earlene Walker, Doug Freeman, Bob Cleavinger, Renee Jones, Shelley Gaston and Mike West.

## Health Department Lists New Years Resolutions

Short on resolutions for the new year? Here's a list designed especially for you and your family by the Texas State Department of Health.

Promise to give your body at least as good care as you give your car. Periodic examinations are the best way yet devised to detect bodily disorders while they can still be treated successfully, so let your doctor look you over thoroughly once a year whether you're ailing or not. Make it twice yearly if you're middle-aged.

Dental troubles won't kill you but sometimes they can make you wish you were dead. So check in once yearly with your dentist, too.

If you are putting on weight, resolve to start passing up the candied yams, boiled potatoes and the cream-filled tidbits which almost invariably spell extra pounds and perhaps an early grave.

Too much weight contributes to high blood pressure, and may be associated with hardening of the arteries and various forms of heart disease. Also, it means impaired vigor, greater surgical risk and greater danger from otherwise minor illnesses.

A good, physician-prescribed exercise regimen will keep your body in shape, tone up your heart muscles and put the spring back into your step.

The statistics linking smoking to cancer and heart disease continue to pile up, and it is tougher and tougher to rationalize the habit. If you still smoke, now's the time to quit. Resolve also to impress the health hazards of smoking on the minds of teenagers in your home.

When driving, consider that every other car is being driven by a madman, and when walking trust motorists only as far as you can see them. Motor vehicle deaths stand far above accidental deaths of all other types.

Resolve to take full advantage of every advancement in medical science aimed at benefiting you and the family, but always on competent medical advice. Start by checking the immunization records of your entire family—not just the children—as a safeguard against diseases and their complications.

Promise to obey local and state laws pertaining to health protection. For example, if your town has a dog leash law, adhere to it. It is a public protection device and you are the public. If you are a pet owner, be certain they are kept in good health.

Last but vitally important, give an occasional thought to such awesome problems as water conservation, pollution abatement, juvenile delinquency, drug abuse and the growing number of elderly people in our society. Lend your support as a responsible citizen to community efforts to solve them.

Your health should be of great concern to you. So get the good health habit by putting some healthful resolutions to work. You'll be happier, live longer and enjoy life more.



HAPPINESS IS ABUNDANT. The Leonard Harper home is filled with happiness and contentment as the Christmas season approaches. The two lovely youngsters seem also to enjoy the excitement Christmas season brings. The Harpers are seen around the tree with Laurie and Leanne. Mr. Harper is minister for the Church of Christ in Earth.

## Local Residents Make Plans For The Holidays

The Wayne Rutherford family will enjoy having their family home for the holidays. Visiting will be Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Louder and family of Dimmitt, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fuller and family of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Mrs. Wayne Cooper, Kerry, Kyle and Kim of Clovis, New Mexico.

The Hugh Alexanders will travel to Amarillo Christmas to spend it with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ozra Edwards. They will leave the 29th to visit Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Alexander, Sr. at Quilinn where Mrs. Hugh, Sr. is recuperating from an auto accident.

Joe Don Houchin and family of Garland and Jerry Houchin of Dallas will be visiting in their parents' home, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Houchin of Earth. They will arrive early Christmas morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Davis, Tammy, Del and A. J. Davis will leave Tuesday to Antlers, Oklahoma, to visit Wayne's uncle and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tur Davis. They will return after Christmas.

The David Johnsons will be visited during the holidays by Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Johnson, Melanie and Lyle of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Don Johnson of Dallas, and Mr. and Mrs. E. V. McNew of Monte Vista, Colorado.

The Johnnie Williams and their children and families, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Briggs of Fort Collins and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Wellman of Wellman will join several members of the Williams clan, 10 brothers and sisters and their families for Christmas Day at the Lorenzo Community Club House.

The James Sandersons will visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sanderson of Glenrose, Wednesday. They will leave Friday to visit Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Burrows of Tulsa, Mrs. Sanderson's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Axtell will visit her brother and family, W. A. Jordan in Tulsa Christmas Day.

The Bryan Duttons will go to Dimmitt Christmas Day to visit Mrs. Dutton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Connell.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Borum will have a house full of family for the holidays. Their son Bobby and his wife Jo Ann flew from Mountain View, California, and arrived at Earth on Saturday. They will depart for home the 26th. Their son Bill and his family from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, will arrive on Christmas Day for an extended visit. Also Mrs. Borum's sister, Mr. and Mrs. James Cox of Plainview, will arrive during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Brock will visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Nix of Amherst, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne DeSels of Modesto, California, and daughter Jaana are visiting her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ellis of Earth, for the holidays. They arrived Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Wood and Mrs. Gladys Richardson will join their son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Goodwin, and family for Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Haberer left Tuesday for Jackson, Mississippi, where they will visit their son Danny. They will return later in the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Jones and family will visit their parents Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Chestner and Jena of Olton and Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Jones of Earth.

The Tom Lively family will leave the 24th to visit his mother, Mrs. Vivian Stephens, and sister Mrs. Len Leming of Hico. They will return Sunday, Christmas Eve at the A. F. Party Line.

Mrs. Hubert Parker of Hereford visited Thursday with Mrs. Patti Parker, Bobbi and Kerri.

## Lighting Of The Advent Candles

The United Methodist Church was the scene of the children's Christmas service entitled "Lighting of the Advent Candles" on Sunday morning.

The program opened with the kindergarten department welcoming those attending. The junior choir then sang "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel," "O Little Town of Bethlehem." Lighting the advent wreath was then told in story and song. Solos were sung by several members of the junior choir. They were Kim Jones, "There's a Song in the Air"; Elaine Bills, Rosie Lewis, Sue Jones, Stephanie Parish, "Silent Night"; Alyce Slover and Clint Dawson, "Love Came Down at Christmas." A candle was lit between each solo and hymn sung by the junior choir. The junior choir sang "While He Sleeps," "A Savior Has Been Given," and "Joy to the World."

The five candlelighters were Biff Belew, Lisa Taylor, Michael Graham, Sheila Jordan and Lonnie Nelms. Special candlelighters were Cheryl Riggs and Tamara Jones.

Readers for the play were Royce Jordan, Dickie Brown, Clint Dawson, Tommy Graham, Brene Belew, Pam Ott and Kim Jones.

The Christmas musical was directed by choral director, Mrs. Cecil Stover. She was accompanied by organist Mrs. Mary Kate Belew.

Mrs. Hubert Parker of Hereford visited Thursday with Mrs. Patti Parker, Bobbi and Kerri.

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# Christmas Cantata Presented

## Four Injured In Accident Saturday

Voices of angels seemed to come from the United Methodist Church Sunday when a Christmas Cantata was presented by the combined voices from the Springlake and Earth Baptist and Methodist Churches. The choir was accompanied by organist Mary Kate Bell of the Earth United Methodist Church and pianist, Sharon Tunnell of the Earth First Baptist Church.

The choir sang "Joy to the World" in a processional. Other choral numbers were "Christmas Comes Again", "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus", "For Unto us a Child Is Born", "O Sing With Joy", "Cantique De Noel", "Lullay, Thou Gentle Prince", "Gloria In Excelsis Deo", "Worship Christ, The Newborn King", "Star of the East", "A Star Was His Candle", "Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring", "Songs of Joy" and the finale "The Hallelujah Chorus."

Six different solos were sung by different members of the choir. They were "Come, Savior of the Gentiles", baritone solo, Lamar Taylor; "Sweet Little Jesus Boy", soprano solo, Yvonne Jones; "And Suddenly There Was With The Angel", baritone solo, Dale Riggs; "Worship Christ, The Newborn King", Linda Green and Marie Slover; and "A Star Was His Candle", Marie Slover.

Each pastor participated in the service. Rev. Williams of

A car accident involving Willie Hood of Earth and William Orr of Dimmitt occurred Saturday night at 9:15 p. m. twelve miles north of Littlefield on Highway 385.

Hood was driving a 1963 Chevrolet heading north on Highway 385 and Orr driving a 1962 Ford heading south. The Orr car pulled across the center line causing a head-on collision, according to the investigating officer Weldon Parson.

The three other occupants in the Hood car, his wife, an infant daughter and a Mrs. Barbara Jean Ward, of Dimmitt, were injured by the impact.

Mrs. Johnnie Wells, an occupant in the Orr auto received no injuries, neither did the driver.

Hood was rushed to Littlefield Hospital and his wife, the infant and Mrs. Ward were rushed to Methodist Hospital.

Both automobiles were totally destroyed.

A ticket was issued to Orr for driving while intoxicated.

The United Methodist Church welcomed the guests and members. Rev. Hartman of the Earth Baptist Church gave the invocation. Rev. Glenn Smith of the Springlake Baptist Church gave the benediction. Bill Anderson of the Earth First Baptist Church was the narrator.



PIONEER NATURAL GAS OFFICE in Earth tied 3rd place in office decoration for the Pioneer Natural Gas Companies Decoration Contest. Also the local office won 1st prize in the local Chamber of Commerce Lighting Contest business entries. Mrs. Wilson Lewis, office secretary, is shown inset.

## Gas Company Places Third In Contest

The Earth office of Pioneer Natural Gas Company tied for third place in the 1970 Christmas gas light and grill office display contest sponsored by Pioneer Natural Gas Company. For several years the Pioneer

Natural Gas Company has sponsored a contest for its branch offices to enter. This was the first time the Earth office had entered the contest.

Prizes are given for originality and creativeness. Judges stated this year they had a difficult job choosing the winners which was exemplified by a three-way tie for third place. The winners of the contest were in first place, Minden; second place, Panhandle; and third place Earth, Odessa and Plainview. Books of stamps were awarded as prizes. First place received 15 books; second, 10 books; and third, 5 books.

The Earth office definitely worked hard to receive the award. The office shows an outdoor scene with 3 carolers

singing under a gas light and David Wade, the gourmet chef, is seen bundled warmly cooking a meal on the gas grill. In the opposite corner of the office is a silver aluminum tree with blue and gold flames, made from pipe cleaners, dangling from each branch. Two rolls of silver tinsel rope are draped across the ceiling with blue Christmas bulbs intermingling. Dale Riggs, manager of the Earth Pioneer Natural Gas office, stated that his secretary, Mrs. Wilson Lewis, is credited with the originality of the display. The outdoor scene was all planned by Mrs. Lewis. The previous year, she made the blue flames for the Christmas tree. She is said to be preparing and making plans for next year's contest.

The Thurman Lewis family spent the weekend at Lake Whitney with Mrs. Lewis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mann, and several other families.



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## Lions Gross \$253 From Turkey Shoot

The Earth-Springlake Lions grossed \$252 from a turkey shoot held Friday near the Farm Chemical Company of Earth. The shoot was jointly sponsored by the two clubs.

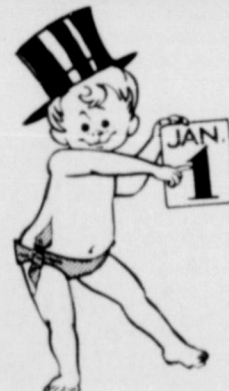
Eighteen turkeys were presented as prizes to the sharpshooters of the area.

The morning began with only a breeze but before the day was done the wind was gusting. This was the third time the clubs had set a date for the event and had to postpone it because of the high winds.

### H.C. MARTIN IMPROVED

H. C. Martin, who has been suffering severely from emphysema, is currently in Kevington, where he and his wife are guests of his wife's mother, Mrs. Etta Love. His breathing is somewhat improved in that climate.

Martin will return home after the holidays.



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No rural deliveries will be made on December 25 or January 1. Also window service will be deleted.

The Post Office personnel appreciate the cooperation that has been shown in mailing cards and packages early. They wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**STATE AND LOCAL ELECTIONS EXCLUDED**

**Voting At 18 Okayed In National Races**

The Supreme Court upheld the key provision of the 1970 Federal Voting Rights Law giving the vote to 18-year olds in Presidential and Congressional elections.

At the same time, the court approved by a 8-1 vote the law's abolition of long residence requirements for voting for president and by a unanimous vote the suspension of literacy tests wherever they exist in the country for five years.

But the court turned around and ruled Congress has no power to order the states to allow 18-year-olds to vote in state and local elections.

These four conclusions by the court in judging the 1970 law were produced by four separate lineups. Justice Hugo L. Black was the key man so far as the 18-year-old vote was concerned.

The ruling in the last public session of the year took several hundred pages to set forth the justices' views.

**VITAL VOTE**

On the 18-year-old issue, Justice Hugo L. Black swung the significant fifth vote. He and Justices William O. Douglas, William J. Brennan Jr., Byron R. White and Thurgood Marshall formed the majority to hold that Congress has the constitutional power to enfranchise 18-year-old citizens for national elections.

Then, Black swung to join Chief Justice Warren E. Burger, John M. Harlan, Potter Stewart and Harry A. Blackmun to bar any interference by Congress with the age for voters set by the states for state and local elections.

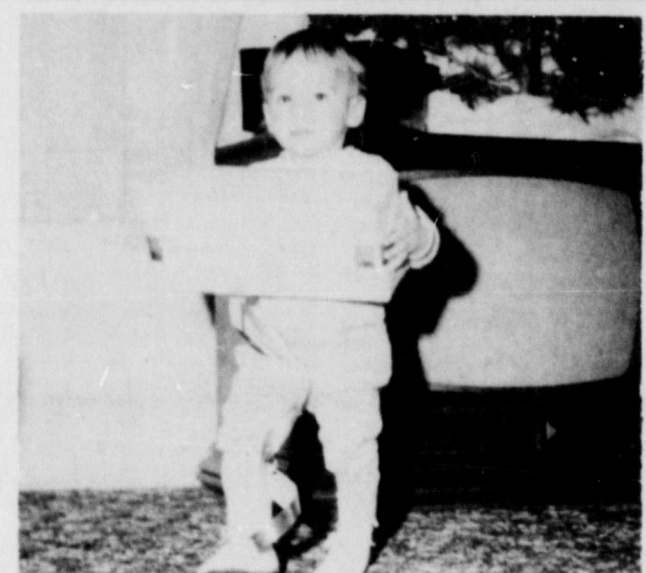
Only Harlan dissented from the abolition of residence requirements of more than 30 days.

The 1970 law had lowered the voting age to 18 for all kinds of elections--national, state and local beginning January 1--11 days from now.

Oregon and Texas had sued in



SANTA'S HELPERS AT WORK... the Earth Lions Club are shown busily packing fruit and candy for Santa to give to the children Thursday. He will arrive at 1:00 p.m. and will be seeing children at the Community Building in Earth.



WHY NOT OPEN IT NOW?—Little Robin Lawrence finds it hard to hold back her desire to unwrap the pretty package under the tree. She is seen making headway toward getting the ribbons off. Robin is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Smythie Lawrence.

Naomi Burgess, their families, relatives and friends for two weeks. They plan to return to Greenbelt, Saturday, January 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Middleton spent the weekend in Midland visiting Mr. and Mrs. Phil Middleton, Saturday night the two couples dined at the Barn Door in Odessa. On Sunday, the foursome had an early Christmas. Each one prepared a special dish which was served with turkey and dressing. The group exchanged Christmas gifts in the afternoon.

**Hulcy Home On Leave**

Pvt. E-2 Daniel B. Hulcy arrived Saturday at his parents' home, Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Hulcy of Earth.

Hulcy enlisted September '66 in the U. S. Army and received his basic training at Fort Lewis, Washington. He completed basic November 26.

Pvt. Hulcy is presently stationed at Fort Lee, Virginia, and is in the Memorial Activ-

ity School. He will complete the first phase of training February 5.

Hulcy will return to Fort Lee January 2.

**PARTY LINE**

Mrs. Tom Sanders was admitted to the Methodist Hospital in Lubbock Saturday afternoon. She was reported to be suffering and unable to breathe properly.

Tuesday morning relatives reported her condition to be somewhat improved. She was said to be breathing with less difficulty.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Burgess of Greenbelt, Maryland, arrived Friday for the holidays. They attended the Coher-Ramsey wedding on Saturday and will be visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Coher, Mrs.

the court against enforcement of the 18-year-old provision. Arizona had fought the literacy test ban and Idaho had opposed both the residence and 18-year old provisions.

**MARTIN SATISFIED**  
"We're mighty happy over the Supreme Court ruling," Atty. Gen. Crawford Martin said today in Austin after the U. S. Supreme Court upheld the legality of 18-year-olds voting in national elections, but not in state and local elections. Both votes were 5-4.

**Book mobile Schedule**

The High Plains Bookmobile will not run its regular route due to the holiday. The following was a schedule that it was to run but which has been cancelled.

Tuesday, December 29  
Morton, 9:30-12:00  
Wednesday, December 30  
Circleback, 8:45-9:45  
Bula #1, 10:15-11:15

Bula #2, 12:00-1:00  
Thursday, December 31  
Amberst, 9:15-10:15  
Springlake #1, 11:00-11:45  
Springlake #2, 12:00-1:00  
Earth, 1:15-3:45  
Friday, January 1  
Pleasant Valley, 10:00-11:00  
Sudan #1, 12:00-1:00  
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# SPC Has Program To Provide Credit By Examination Specialist Gives Tips

LEVELLAND--South Plains College is now participating in a program which provides credit by examination for a number of college courses. This program allows students to obtain credit for courses by proving their knowledge of the course material on an examination approved by the department under which the course is offered.

One of the testing programs used at South Plains College is the College Level Examination Program (CLEP Tests). Tests in English Composition, College Algebra, Trigonometry, General Psychology, General Sociology, American Government, Biology, and American History will be available. Students who score satisfactorily on one or more of these tests will be given credit for the courses covered by the examination.

Credit for the first semester of General Chemistry may be earned by satisfactorily completing an examination prepared by the Chemistry Department at South Plains College. Departmental examinations are also available in several other areas and information will be furnished upon request.

There is a charge of \$5.00 for each examination taken. The testing program is open to students who are currently enrolled in South Plains College and to high school graduates who plan to enter South Plains College.

The following limitations have been established by the College: (1) credit by examination will be awarded only after the student has officially enrolled in South Plains College; (2) a maximum of 18 semester hours of college credit can be earned by examination; (3) students may not receive credit by examination for any course in which they have officially enrolled in any college; (4) examinations cannot be repeated to make a higher score; and (5) the student must have taken the ACT or SAT tests and these test scores must be on file in the Registrar's Office at South Plains College.

Complete information concerning the examination program will be provided upon request by the Registrar's Office at South Plains College. Testing dates will be announced at a later date.



THAT'S MY PRESENT DADDY!! seems to be what Alan Hausmann is saying to his father as he looks like he is grabbing his package. The Hausmann family are shown left to right Glen, Merri, Alan and parents, Larry and Bettye.

Satisfy holiday appetites and budget needs by following some last-minute shopping hints that spell "Merry Christmas," suggests Gwendolyn Clyatt, Extension consumer marketing specialist.

Make a list of exactly what is needed before shopping for last-minute items. Following a list saves both time and money.

Eggs for holiday baking are in good supply. Large Grade A eggs are especially good buys.

Regardless of what spices and herbs are required for seasoning, buy a new supply. Only fresh spices will spark just the right flavor combinations for holiday eating.

Read all labels before buying. Labels list both quality and exact amounts of food items enclosed.

You can use mistletoe in decorations without adding water by dipping the stem ends in melted wax. This prevents the berries from falling off and the foliage from shriveling.

Cranberries for relish, sauces or salad are traditional holiday treats. The berries are favorite holiday partners with poultry, including turkey, duck and goose. One pound of fresh cranberries yields 12 servings.

Ham may be the choice for the festive meal. Allow one-fourth pound per serving if it is boneless, and one-half pound if the bone is in. Only fully pre-cooked ham can be served without further cooking.

Refreshments for those who drop in may include fresh fruit, assorted cheeses, homemade cookies and candy. What better way to say Merry

Christmas to friends than with gifts from the kitchen.

Instant and ready-prepared foods, such as instant mashed potatoes, precooked rice and mixes, can relax holiday cooking time. You can add a personal touch with special seasonings and garnishes.

Turkeys, large and small, are priced low. The larger the bird, the more economical plus the more servings per pound.

Many vegetables are also low. Toast, dry onions, potatoes, sweet potato

## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus, I want a bike with trainer wheels, a toy tractor that I can ride, Playschool family, etch-a-sketch. Sincerely yours, Randy Joe Gray

Dear Santa Claus, I would like a Big Wheel, a Playschool Farm, a Johnny

Lightning Racing Set, and a horse and trailer. I wish everybody a Merry Christmas. I have been a good boy. I love you Santa, Jason Hinchliffe

## Party Line

The Dave Cavitts visited Sunday with Mrs. C. T. Cavitt in Plainview, Dave's mother, for a family Christmas. They were joined by his brother's family and sister's family, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Cavitt of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. James Avara of Lubbock.

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## Lamar Aten Briefs YF On New Farm Program

Lamar Aten, office manager of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service for Lamb County, spoke to the Springlake-Earth Young Farmers Thursday on the "New Farm Program." New regulations on crop production were discussed. Aten stated that the feed grain payments for 1971 would be less than 1970 and that cotton payments will remain approximately the same.

The Young Farmers State Convention, to be held in Fort Worth January 15 and 16, was discussed by president Larry

Hausmann. Three couples have already made plans to attend. They are Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hausmann, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Riggs and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Collins. Those who are interested in attending need to have reservations in by January 7. Larry Hausmann may be contacted for details on reservations.

All members were present for the meeting. Three guests were also present. They were Dolan Fennell, Donald Street and Fred Clayton.

After refreshments of coffee,

cookies and cookies the Young Farmers enjoyed a volleyball game practice.

The January program will be entitled "Narrow Row Cotton Production."

Refreshments for those who drop in may include fresh fruit, assorted cheeses, homemade cookies and candy. What better way to say Merry

## Goodwill Centre Ends Year

The Earth Goodwill Centre was open for its final business day of the 1970 period Saturday with the Town and Country Study Club assisting with sales.

The Centre completed the day's total sales of \$8.05. It was reported that children's long pants, girls and boys, are needed.

Aurelia Sanders worked in sales Saturday for the Town and Country Study Club.

## 4-H Discuss County Show

The Springlake-Earth 4-H Club met Monday night and discussed the County Show which will be held January 14, 15 and 16. Anyone needing entry blanks may contact Thurman Lewis.

Club members brought gifts for Christmas.

Refreshments of cookies, pea-

nut patties and punch were served by Mrs. Norma Dawson, Mrs. Mary Clayton and Mrs. Lavelle Dear.

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On this birth date of God's only begotten Son, let's remember to pray that His love will be manifested in the hearts of men all over the world. That the P.O.W.'s will feel His love wherever they are, that the sick and afflicted will be comforted by His love and that Christmas 1970 will be the day of a mass returning to the teachings of Christ. Christmas will then be a more meaningful day. **MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EACH OF YOU.**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**



STARRY-EYED KELLY AND KRISTI AWAIT SANTA'S VISIT. The countdown for Santa's arrival began the day the Christmas tree went up in the Criswell home. Shown with Kelly and Kristi are their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Criswell. Mr. Criswell is a member of the Springlake-Earth faculty.

canned goods. A turkey and fruit will be purchased from troop funds. DeAnne Clayton and Elaine Bills served refreshments of cookies and candy bars.

Those attending were Joyce Ingram, Lydia Smith, Pam Ott, Brene Belew, Pam Hood, Hattie Thomas, Oletha Thomas, Doniece Taylor, Teresa Lively, Linda Hood, Jackie

Lewis, Sherri Higgins, Elaine Bills, Cheryl Riggs, Kim Clayton, DeAnne Clayton, leader Mrs. Ralford Daniel and assistant leader, Mrs. Allen Smith.



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EARTH COED NAMED CAMPUS FAVORITE--Miss Susan Britton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Britton, Earth, was named campus favorite at Wayland Baptist College recently. Miss Britton, a junior elementary education major, is a 1968 graduate of Springlake-Earth High School. She was named sophomore class favorite last year and won the junior favorite title this year. She is a member of the Hutcherson Flying Queens basketball team and was named to the All America team last year. She is sweetheart of Phi Mu Alpha fraternity.

**Nowell Reunion Held Sunday**

The Nowell Reunion was held Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orbin Nowell of Lubbock with the presence of four generations. The reunion has been held for at least 34 years each Sunday before Christmas.

Each year the reunion is held in a different home and everyone attending furnishes a dish of food for the big Christmas dinner. The host always furnishes the turkey. After the dinner, names are drawn and gifts are exchanged. There are usually 50 to 95 attending the reunion.

There were eight brothers and sisters attending. They were Mr. and Mrs. Orbin Nowell of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Nowell of Muleshoe, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Nowell of Muleshoe, Mr. and Mrs. Ardie Nowell of Lovington, New Mexico, Mrs. Oris Nowell of Burk Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kenney of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Taylor of Denver City and Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Kenney of Slaton.

Also attending were numerous children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hausmann of Dodd attended the reunion. Mrs. Hausmann is the daughter of Orbin Nowell.

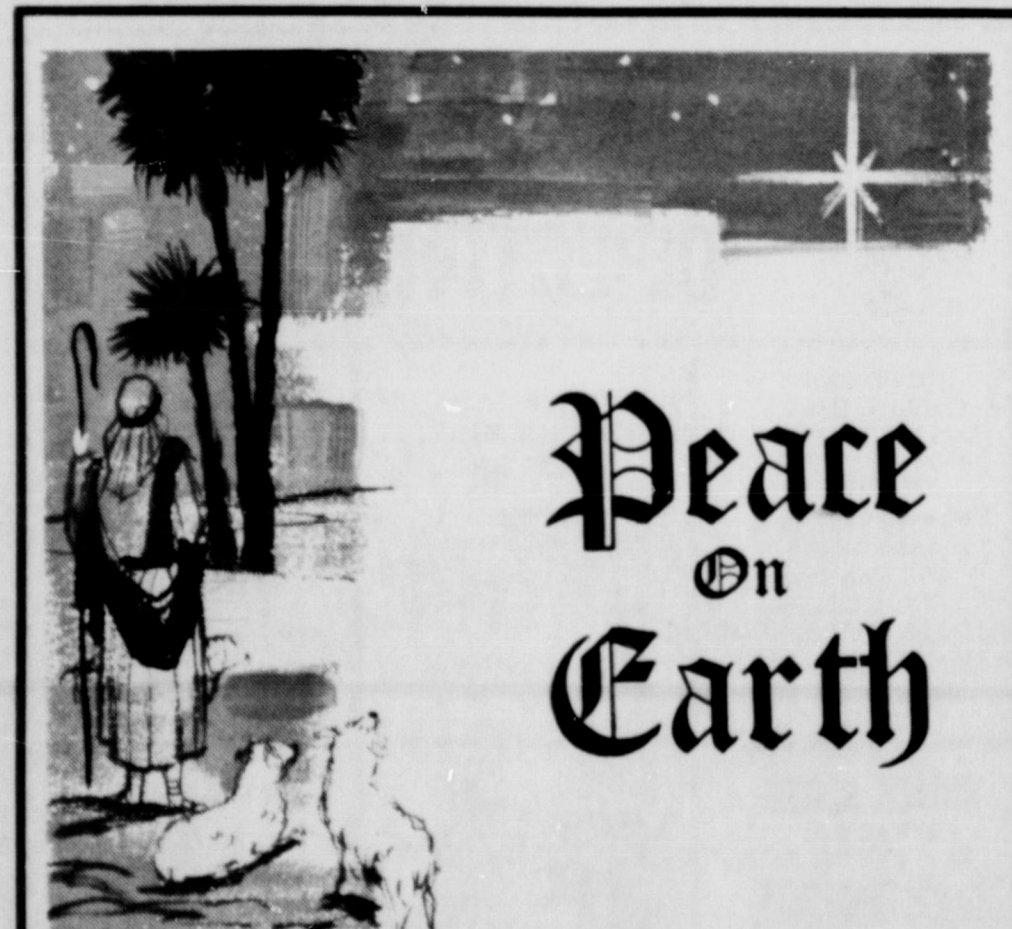
**HELLO WORLD**

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Ray White of Friona are the proud parents of a boy born Tuesday, December 15, at 11:30 p.m. in Deaf Smith County Hospital in Hereford.

The little lad weighed 7 pounds 1 ounce and was 19 inches tall. He has been named Arthur Aubrey White.

His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Parker of Hereford, formerly of Earth, and Mr. and Mrs. G.R. White of Friona.

Great-grandmothers are Mrs. Robert Parker of Muleshoe and Mrs. Neta Bowman of Erick.



**Peace  
 On  
 Earth**

May the beauty of the Season brighten your life, not only at Christmas, but always.

**DR. B. R. PUTMAN**  
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**Troop 373  
 Caroling Plans**

Girl Scout Troop 373 met Thursday and planned an evening of caroling for Tuesday, December 22. The girls plan to meet at the fire hall at 7:00 p.m. and go caroling. They will carol at shut-ins and special friends homes. They will return to the fire hall for a Christmas party in which the Cadette Troop will help by furnishing refreshments.

The troop completed the presents they were making for their parents. The girls prepared a food basket to be given to a needy family. Each girl furnished

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## stories that shed light on Christmas

The good St. Nicholas among the treetops, or would often make his appearance . . . riding jolly now and then drawing

forth magnificent presents from his breeches pockets, and dropping them down the chimneys of his favorites.

Diedrich Knickerbocker's History of New York, by Washington Irving

From a telegram by General Sherman to President Lincoln, Christmas Day, 1864: "I beg to present to you as a Christmas gift the city of Savannah."

And the angel said unto them: fear not for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior which is Christ the Lord.

— Luke II, 10 and 11

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

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

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



### CHRISTMAS 1970

The essence of the Christmas spirit is in the words: Peace on Earth, Goodwill Towards Men. Around this simple premise, Christian and non-Christian may join and make this season one of united purpose. Peace and Goodwill summarize our hopes and aspirations for all of the world.

Hopefully, the recent beginnings toward peace in our troubled world will be recorded in history as actions which led to an end of the shooting and the beginning of accord.

As for Goodwill, the divisiveness of the election campaign and the civil disorders of the past months have not brought us together. All rational men must seek workable alternatives which preserve the dignity of man and recognize that the public sense of right and wrong cannot be ignored.

Mutual tolerance and understanding can be Mankind's greatest Christmas gift to itself.

son. In winter, the sheep slept in folds.

The industrial revolution sharply cut back the traditional twelve days of Christmas. Massachusetts, in deference to the Puritan tradition, didn't declare Christmas Day a legal holiday until 1856. But in the agricultural south, where December was a slack season, the slaves were on holiday as long as the Christmas log could be kept burning — sometimes more than a week.

Hessian soldiers had introduced the Christmas tree to Americans during

the Revolutionary War, but it was 1856 before the first tree was put in the White House, by President Franklin Pierce. Several thousand years earlier, the Egyptians brought date palms indoors during their winter solstice rites, to demonstrate life triumphant over death. The Romans trimmed trees with trinkets and masks of Bacchus during the Saturnalia.

Season's Greetings

### Warm Christmas

From a letter Horace Walpole wrote to his friend Sir Horace Mann, Strawberry Hill, December 26, 1748:

"Did you ever know a more absolute country-gentleman? Here am I come down to what you call keep my Christmas! Indeed it is not in all the forms; I have stuck no laurel and holly in my windows, I eat no turkey and chine, I have no tenants to invite, I have not brought a single soul with me. The weather is excessively stormy, but has been so warm, and so entirely free from frosts the whole winter, that not only several of my honeysuckles are come out, but I have literally a blossom upon a nectarine-tree, which I believe was never seen in this climate before on the 26th of December. I am extremely busy here planting . . ."

### Altered Meaning

The meaning of "Merry Christmas" has changed somewhat over the years. Originally, "merry" meant "blessed, peaceful, pleasant."

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

How about it, men and

women, the rich, the middle and the poor . . . of Christmas 1970?

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forcefulness of the weaker sex, on occasion, especially when a member of the so-called stronger sex is under the spell of spirits. The wassail bowl and the Christmas toast were both started in the same gesture, so the tale goes, by the daughter of an

One wonders at the



*Greetings*

It is our sincere wish that happiness and prosperity find their way into the homes of our friends and remain with them throughout the coming year.

**Curtis R. Wilkinson**  
County Attorney  
Littlefield



DADDY, I'M OPENING THIS ONE FOR YOU! Jana Been, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Been, is prepared to undertake the task of opening her father's gifts while he is serving as a member of the armed forces.

early Germanic chieftain, then on a campaign in Britain. Offering a garlanded bowl of wine to her father's princely host, she said "Wassheil," or "Here's to you." The prince responded gallantly and, one thing leading to another, they were soon married.

For the common people of the Middle Ages, wassail was a mixture of hot ale, sugar, nutmeg, and

**What Christmas Means To Me ...**

Christmas means company and all Christmas is after fall. Birds are flying, Plants are dying, Snowflakes are falling, Children shouting and calling, Christmas is time for snow. When plants do not grow, Christmas means vacations and laughter and calls. That's why Christmas is best of all.

Christie Pittman

Christmas means to me fun because of the snow. It means nice presents and nice toys, too. I know that Santa Claus is here again, too.

I like to make some igloos, and have some snowball fights and sing merry songs too. Sometimes I play with my dog. Sometimes I play by myself too. I like the sound of the bells they make me sing out loud. We have a Christmas tree that is so pretty indoors. When I put things on it I like it even more.

Michael Koite

ginger. The nobility, however, used the finest wines in the cellar. In later times, a popular base for the wassail bowl was Spanish sherry grown from the grapes of Andalusia and fortified with brandy.

The word "toast" however, emerged from the fact that early wassail

**Remember the Needy**

Now that the time has come wherein Our Saviour Christ was born, The larder's full of beef and pork, The granary's full of corn. As God hath plenty to thee sent, Take comfort of thy labors, And let it never thee repent To feed thy needy neighbors. — Poor Robin's Almanack (1700)

**Fruit cake Enjoyed by Old Romans**

One of the most-favored delicacies of the holiday season is the Fruit-cake.

Many a loving homemaker will start months in advance and make the cake from an old family recipe, wrap it in a rum- or brandy-soaked cloth and store it until the Great Days come.

Most of us envision a dark red-brown cake so filled with fruit and nuts that it can hardly be cut

... so aromatic with spirits that we could stand over it all day and 'drink in' its redolence.

However, the term "good fruitcake" has as many variations as the singers of its praises.

Such discrepancies arise, says an expert in bakers' matters, "because no one appears to have decided exactly what constitutes fruitcake." Not even a super-fussy Department of Agriculture of a certain state has attempted to define the delicacy.

It's not difficult to see why. Over the years, fruitcake has had as many recipes as eaters. To the ancient Romans, according to a well-known cookbook, it was Satura, a mixture of

a well known barley mash, dried raisins, pine kernels and pomegranate seeds "laced with condiments and honeyed wine."

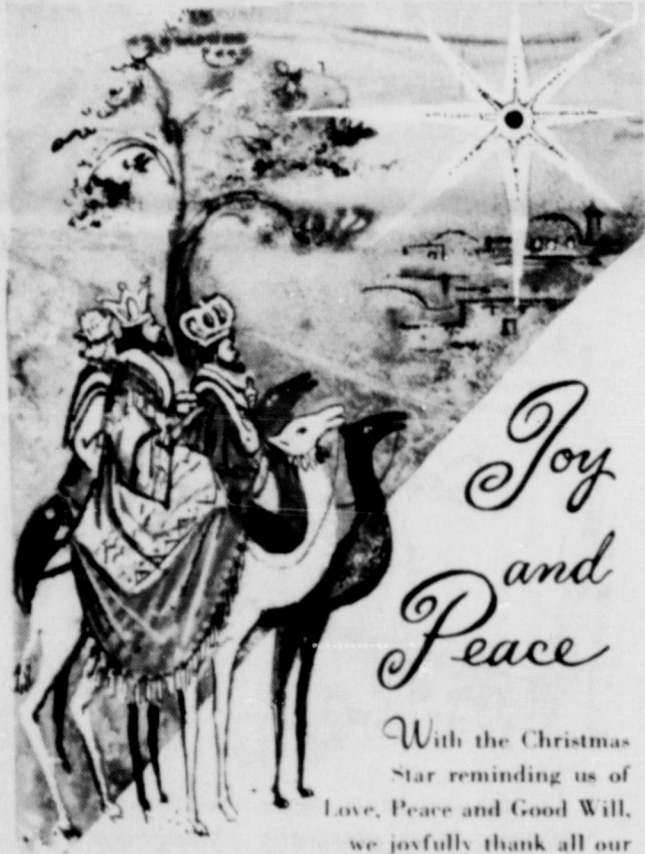
To Elizabeth of England it was spice cake, containing, according to a recipe of the time, "good ale barme . . . eight eggs with two yolkes . . . aniseeds bruised . . . (and) a little rose water."

Most modern recipes appear to descend from the old Pennsylvania Dutch cake and British plum pudding cake. The latter was notable for its considerable brandy content, an ingredient missing from many commercial products.



*A Very Merry Christmas*

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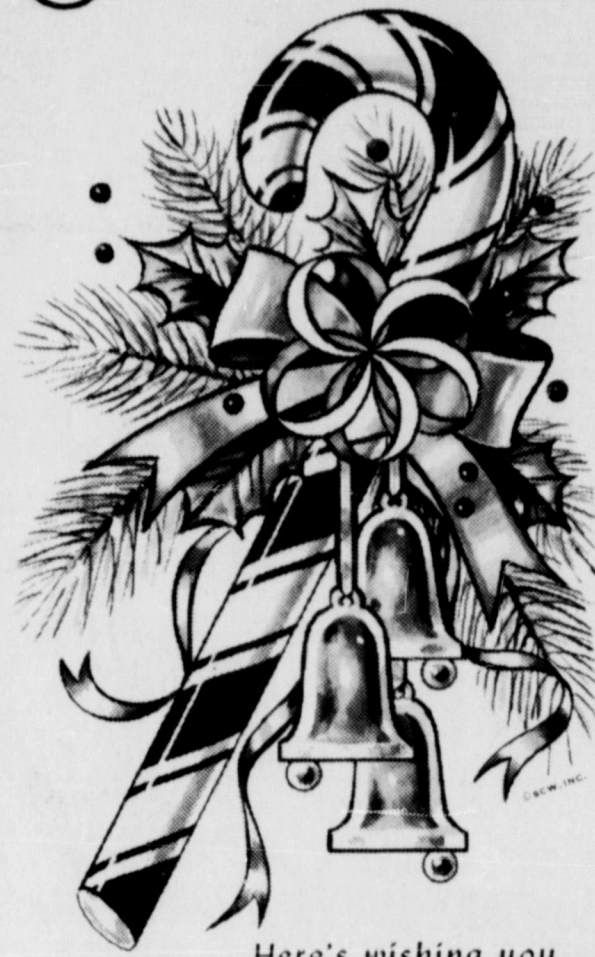
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## Letters To Santa

Dear Santa Claus,  
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and things walkie talkies P. J.  
nad house and clothes.  
Love,  
Stephanie  
P. S. I bend a good girl.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a pretty good  
little girl this year. I am 3 1/2  
years old, and this year I'm  
not afraid of you at all. Last  
year, your whiskers scared me  
a little, but now I am kinda  
grown up.

For Christmas, I would like  
to have a trampoline, a Baby  
Tenderlove, a Barbie Doll,  
some dishes, some new cray-  
olas, and a baby doll high  
chair.  
Please don't forget my new  
little cousin, Justin Bryan. He  
is only 1 month old, but I'm  
sure he would like to have  
some stuffed animals, and  
maybe even a new passifier.  
And please, Santa Claus, don't  
forget my Mama Holt in Ar-  
kansas, and my Mama and  
Pappa Chaney, and also my  
aunt and uncle and little cou-  
sins out in California.  
Merry Christmas,  
Melissa Chaney

Dear Santa,  
I want a car and pick up,  
telephone, racing car set,  
dump truck, horse track, bull-  
dozer. I had my brother write  
this because im not in school.  
From  
Clifford Moore

Santa Claus,  
My name is Rudy. I want a  
football, I want a car that  
run. I want a bike. I want a  
boat. I want a house that is on  
the farm  
We wish you a merry Christ-  
mas.  
Love,  
Rudy Herrera  
Pre-first

Dear Santa Claus,  
I hope I be a good boy. I  
want a truck and some cars.  
Good-by Santa Claus  
From  
Gilbert Gonzales, Jr.  
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,  
My mother says I have been  
a good girl this year and so has  
my baby sister, Kerri. She is  
only two months old.  
For Christmas I would like to  
have a toy box for Kerri and a  
little stuffed doggie for her.

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story that focuses on  
Man's old friend, the can-  
dle. Back in the Middle  
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how fragile, was much  
prized, and a candle, though  
perhaps common to us, was  
a possession of great value.

A shoemaker lived in a  
cottage on the edge of a  
village, near the dark  
woods. Although a poor

man, he placed his candle  
in the window each night  
to guide travelers. Despite  
wars, hardships and ill-  
ness, by some miracle,  
some mysterious grace, his  
light never wavered.

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lagers and during the  
Christmas season most of  
them placed a candle in  
their windows. The cus-  
tom grew and became  
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Christmas

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# What Christmas Means To Me...

Christmas means to me about Santa Claus because the last time I saw him he was giving candies to all the children and when we went home we ate all of our candies and we like Santa Claus so much because he is good to us.

Your friend,  
Eva Guana

Christmas means a special thing to me. I like Christmas is a wonderful holiday and I like Christmas cause Jesus was born on this wonderful day of Christmas.

Love,  
Nelda Garza

Christmas makes us happy. It gives us gifts. We have some Christmas tree, and all is near. We love his dolls. And he loves our letter. Christmas means happy. And we'll be glad when Christmas Good-bye.

Cletha G. Thomas

Christmas means happiness, and kindness and joy and love and Christmas is the very special holiday I like best of all. And because at Christmas we get lots of presents, and because we eat lots of ice-cream and gingerbreads.

Irene Bustos

Christmas means to me a very pretty holiday. When all the people are happy and gay. I like the Christmas tree best. We like Santa, too. And Christmas means to me a lot of things.

Margaret Reyes

Christmas means to me presents to go under the Christmas tree to make people happier. And Santa Claus brings for girls and boys for girls dolls and boys a Johnny Lightning 500.

Cary Dear

Christmas to me means to remember the Lord's birth. Christmas is a time of happy greetings, a time of giving and getting toys. Christmas is a time of homemade candy and pie. Christmas is a time of laughter and fun. Christmas means a lot to me because of all the food. Christmas is fun when you wake up and look in your stocking and find all the candy and fruit. Christmas is a lot more fun when you wake up and find all the toys and presents under the Christmas tree.

Lisa Pittman



EAGER HANDS. The Dale Riggs family find it hard to wait till Christmas Day to inspect the contents of the beautiful packages. The countdown on Christmas began the day the tree went up and the packages appeared.

## Letters to



## Santa Claus

Dear Santa,  
Would you please bring me a

doll for Christmas. Also bring my sister Debbie a doll. We both have been good.  
Barbara Mayes

Dear Santa,  
I like Christmas.  
Dear Santa, I like you,  
I like to play, I like school,  
I work so much.  
Love,  
Lisa

Dear Santa,  
Please get me a big horn rifle set. I hope to see you Christmas Eve.  
Love,  
Jennifer

Dear Santa,  
I am in the first grade.  
I want a Tipple Toes baby and a Easy Bake Oven.  
I hope you are not sick.  
I love you,  
Kori

Dear Santa,  
I hope you will have enough toys for everyone this year.  
I want 2 six-guns, a rifle, a badge, some boots and a hat. If you have enough, I would also like to have a steam shovel and a tamborine.  
Take care of yourself so you will not be sick Christmas.  
My brother want some six-guns and a badge, some boots, a hat, a camper pick-up and a horn.  
I love you,  
Kevin Epperson

Dear Santa Claus,  
I hope that you will not get sick. I want a caterpillar truck and a hot wheels track. Cindy wants a Baby Tender Love and a Easy Bake Oven. I will leave you some cookies.  
I love you,  
Mark Parish

some candy.  
I love you.  
I'm a good boy.  
John Mark

Dear Santa,  
I want a football and a football suit.  
I also want a pair of cowboy boots and hat. Terry has been a good boy.  
Thank you,  
Terry Conner

Dear Santa Cause,  
I am trying to be a good girl. Please bring me an Easy Bake Oven, and a doll Bring Lolly and Carmen what they want.  
Love,  
Laura Ramos

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a nice boy some times. Please bring me a jump suit a gun and holster set with play bullets a firemans truck and bell bottom jeans I like you. My name is Brad Higgins.

Dear Santa,  
I have began to wonder how

you are. I want a Baby-Go-Bye-Bye. I am wondering if it is beginning to get cold. I am glad that it is nearly Christmas. I also want an Angle doll and some clothes.  
Love,  
Sheryl

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a truck with a trailer filled with horses and cows in it, and Johnny and I want a set of walkie talkies, and some clothes.  
Please bring me some candy and fruit.  
Thank you, Santa,  
Rocky Lunsford

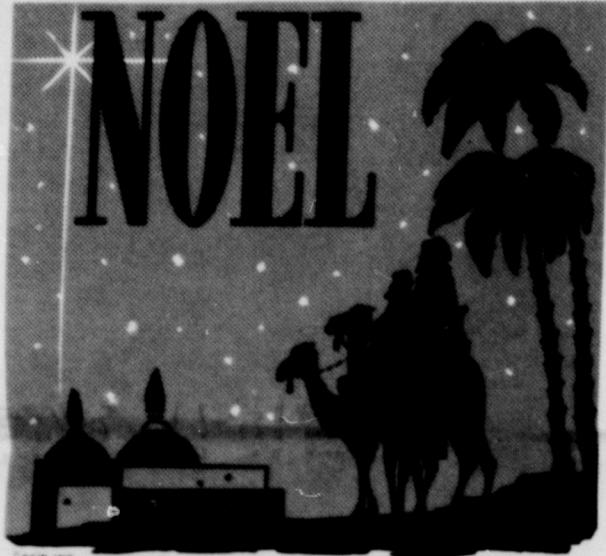
Dear Santa,  
I like a bike for Chistam and a B-B-Gun for Chistam and a truck for Chistam.  
Love,  
Miguel

Dear Santa,  
I want a Baby Go By-By, a Crazy Car, a sewing machine and a new pair of boots. I have been a pretty good girl this

year. And don't forget my sister Sharran. She's been good, too.  
Love,  
Vonda Stephens

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a bike for Christmas. I would like a Baby Tender Love and an Easy Bake Oven, too.  
Please remember all the other boys and girls in the world, too.  
I love you.  
From,  
Jennifer

Dear Santa,  
I think I have been a pretty good boy this year. For Christmas I would like a Johnny Lightning 500 with a big loop. I would also like an electric football game. Please remember my little sister, Lora. She wants a doll and doll buggy. I will be at Grandmother Messer's this year.  
Your little friend,  
Tod Herring



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Dear Santa,  
 I wot a wagon to, I wot a bik, I lik Santa,  
 Martin Gloria

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I want a bicycle for Christmas and a coat. I want a Easy Bake too. Santa, I've been a good little girl, so would you please bring these things to me,  
 Love,  
 Janice

Dear Santa,  
 I wan a doll a cradle and some doll clothes. I want some go-go-boots and an Easy Money game. Good,  
 Love,  
 Leann Haberer

Dear Santa,  
 I am in the first grade Please bring me some toys Remember the other children,  
 I love you,  
 Maurice Hood

Dear Santa,  
 I hope you have a marry

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and that will be all.  
 Good by Sant Clues tial nex year.  
 Love,  
 Me (Mike)

Dear Santa,  
 I want a B.B. gun and Tonka trucks, I would like the big Tonka trucks, I also want some Chaparral guns.  
 I hope you won't get sick on Christmas Eve. Please don't forget any boy or girl at Christmastime. I love Christmas, and I love you.  
 Thank you,  
 Lyle Loudder

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I want a bb gun and a bike to, and a India suit and I wish you will be well.  
 We wish you an merry Christmas.  
 We wish you an merry Christmas.  
 We wish you an merry Christmas.  
 An happy dear year.  
 By Santa Claus. That's all.  
 Ray.

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I love you Santa Claus, I want too tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a bicycle. I want a telephone. I want a storybook.  
 Clarice

Dear Santa,  
 Love Santa Claus.  
 Please bring me a ring. Girls.  
 Dear Santa Claus.  
 Love Santa Claus.  
 Joann Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a Dallas Cowboy Football suit and a big truck and kickball.  
 Thank you,  
 Love,  
 Sammy Ott

Dear Santa,  
 I'm and good writing. I want doll. And a ring.  
 Thank You,  
 Angle

Dear Santa,  
 Santa I want a Goot ball and a toydog and a Big toy red car and nome. Oitrel coto and a coat Goz mee to wear when it la time Goz uriter and a Org ned camdu.  
 Love,  
 Frank

Dear Santa,  
 I have began to wonder how you are I want a Baby-Go-Bye-Bye. I want a Betty Love.  
 Dear Santa,  
 Love

Dear Sonto Clouse,  
 I would like a tractor with a cobon it and pair of boots.  
 Love,  
 Jerry Lynn Lanier

Dear Santa,  
 I am good girl. I want Baby Go Bye-Bye and has uru and a aquirpizum ryg.  
 Love,  
 Jana

Dear Santa,  
 I good a trucks boys, I what sh fena, I what a BB and I what a iteb.  
 Duke

Dear Santa,  
 I hope you have a marry

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Dear Santa,  
 I want a doll for Christmas and a susie home male to and a store for Christmas to and that is all I want write now.  
 Love,  
 Jackie

a picture of you. Good-by for new.  
 Love,  
 Delma Gonzales

a catapillar scoop and a boll pulling tractor.  
 My little sister Saynya needs a doll for Christmas.  
 Love,  
 Scott and Sawnya

Dear Santa Cluse,  
 I want a gun. I want a basketball. I want a cowboy sut with sum guns.  
 Mariano

Dear Santa,  
 I will tell you what I want for Christmas. A bicycle, a Easy Baker Barbe doll?  
 I love Santa. My name is Gloria. My box 206. This letter is for you, Santa.  
 Gloria

Dear Santa C ase,  
 I am 6 year old and for Christmas I want a football and bike and some clothes and I want some boots.  
 Lewis Mosley  
 P.S. Remember the other childrens.

Dear Santa,  
 I love you. I want a racing set, I want a car, I want a football suit.

Dear Santa,  
 I am a nine year old. My name is Nellie. I am in the third grade.

Dear Santa,  
 I would like to have a doll and a triycle for Christmas. I am going to be a good little girl so I can get it.  
 Sign,  
 Sandra Smith  
 Dear Santa, I love you.

Dear Santa,  
 I want a foot ball and a basket ball and a BB gun.  
 Danny

I tried to be real good this year which I think it is real hard to be good some times speciall to my brother Fidel and Ramon and they give me a hard time. I have dream for you to bring me a long wig, baby Tumfdelina, baby Tender Love, 32 piece Tea Server. And a bike for each of my brothers. Remember I also have Penoclo he is my pet dog. Please don't forget all the kids around the world and good teachers, mothers and fathers.  
 With love,  
 Nellie Palacio

Dear Santa,  
 I am in the first grand. Please bring me some toys. Remember the other children.  
 I love you.  
 To Santa  
 From Maurice Hood

Dear Santa,  
 I want a BB gun and a ball and some oranges this Christmas.  
 George

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I have been a good boy this year. I would like an electric train.

Dear Santa,  
 Would you bring me a football and a helmet and a whizzer and a bike and a spirograph. I have been a good boy.  
 Thank you,  
 Rudy Moreno

Dear Santaclous,  
 I am sending this letter to tell you what I want for Christmas. This is what I want a gun and a car and a hat.  
 Santaclous, I am sending this letter just for you.  
 Sandy

My sister and brother have been good too. My brother would like a trucks. My sister would like a dancarina.  
 Thank you for the nice gifts you brout last year.  
 Your friends,  
 Glen Hausmann  
 Merri Hausmann  
 Alan Hausmann

Dear Santa,  
 I want a doll that walks and talks.  
 I want a play telephone and some candy and fruit.  
 I love you Santa,  
 Cynthia Everett

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I wish I had a Barbie and a suitcase. I wish my mother gave me a piano. Santa Claus is so happy and nice to us.  
 Lape

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a pony and some clothes and new foot ball suit.  
 Adam Roe

Dear Santa Claus,  
 I want a doll and a table and a chair.  
 Norma

Dear Santa,  
 Would you please bring me a bicycle for Christmas?  
 Santa, I've been a good girl. I would also like for you too bring me a new coat for Christmas and I want a Easy Bake Oven too.  
 From Sharon  
 With Love

Dear Santa,  
 I hope you do not get sick. I am a first grader. I don't know if I'll be here, but I hope you find me because I want a bike.  
 I love you,  
 Lance Phelps

Dear Santa Clause,  
 I want a doll and a purse and a telephone.  
 Eloisa DeLeon  
 Love Santa Clause

Dear Santa,  
 This is what I want for Christmas Peggy Pen-Pal doll, Krazy Kar, Dawn's Fashion Show, a sewing-machine and a Crissy doll.  
 Santa, I have been a good girl this year. Please send me

Dear Santa,  
 I which I had a football and don't forget all the toys.  
 Love,  
 Danny and all the kids

Dear Santa,  
 I want a bike, and I want a gun and a wagon.  
 Andy

Dear Santa:  
 Scott loves Santa,  
 I want a walkie-talkie, and

Dear Sont Clues,  
 I want some toys from you. I want a bebe gun and I want five cars and I want a play TV

**Dear Santa:**

Dear Santa Claus,  
 Please bring me these things: Tape recorder, shoe skates, tool set workshop and bench, rolling thing, rattle battle, little organ with cord, popcorn maker, I am eight years old. And I have been very good.  
 Your friend,  
 Kyle Kelley  
 P.S. There will be some milk under the Christmas tree.

tender love and a barbie car and a vester. My brother wants a Gradma Doll and a baby bear. My puppy wants a puppy coat.  
 Your friend,  
 Lisa Duncan

Dear Santa,  
 Thank you for last year's gifts and all the past years. I love you. I want two packs of B.B.s and a tobagon, and some tennis shoes.  
 Thank you.  
 From your friend,  
 Mike Wimberly

Dear Santa,  
 Pleas come to my soon. My box number is Kathy Gallegos H. D. Jones box 190 Springlake Texas 79082. Pleas bring me a cowboy sout and some boots.  
 Love,  
 Kathy

Dear S nta Claus,  
 I want a Barbie doll, a puppy named Early and most of all some clothes for me to wear and I elm in 3rd grade, and I elm 9 years old, and I have ben nice.  
 Your little girl,  
 Lactetia

Dear Santa,  
 I hope I had a doll for Christmas. And I hope I had a happy New Year.

And I hope you bring me a new dress for Chirmas and a new doll for Chirmas and some new shoes for Chirmas to. And I hope you will have a happy New Year.  
 Your friend,  
 Betty

Dear Santaclaus,  
 Will you bring me a baby

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# What Christmas Means To Me...

To have fun at home, And to think about Christ's birth, And to get gifts from friends and families, And to eat all I want, To play with friends, And who will come to Bethlehem on Christmas,

Robert Russell

Having the family together around the Christmas tree, And presents opened too, And we can play with our toys, And go to bed at 12:00 at night, And mostly we will get a kiss from Santa,

Love, Mike

Christmas means a lot to me, When it is Christmas you have a lot of fun, You can get lots of presents, I like to play with my uncle, We get to have snowball fights, We like to build snowmen, It will all ways mean something to me,

Bobby Gover

I like Rudolph's round and red nose, I like it because you can visit with your friends and your families, And I like the Christmas tree best because the pretty presents around the Christmas tree, And I like the long beard of Santa Claus too,

Mona Price



ents,

Susie Lansford

I like Christmas it is my favorite holiday, And I no it is your favorite holiday too, I like it because I get gifts and get lots things, And when there is snow I like to go out to play, And that is what Christmas means to me, I cannot wait until Christmas-time, And that is why I am so happy,

Lucy Padilla

I like to get up and see my toys, That's what Christmas means to me,

Petra Lewis

Christmas means a lot to me, All the toys under the tree, All the food and the joys of friends, I hate to see it leave again,

Sue Bradley

Christmas to me means happiness and joy, Because families get together and remember there time when they were little specially the old people, Also Christmas to me is a sign to give thanks to God that I have enjoyed another Christmas,

Carlos Castillo

Means fun, excitement and adventure and a lot of eating, apple pie, turkey, potatoes,

Keith Clayton

Christmas means happy and joyful, There are many presents around the Christmas tree, And Christ was born on Christmas morn,

Your friend, Brenda Bates



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Shall I tell you who will come to Bethlehem on Christmas morn, Who will kneel them gently down before the Lord, new born?

Byron Vaughan

To me it means presents and being kind to one another and bring other old people some presents, And everybody like you Santa Claus, And we hope that you come, And we wish you a Merry Merry Christmas,

Your friend, Robert Rodriguez

To me Christmas is the time of year to celebrate Jesus's birthday, For he was a great teacher of God, He came to earth to teach, But, people thought he would be king, long ago when he was born, That's what Christmas means to me,

It also means getting together with my kin, and eating a grand dinner and opening many presents, I like to see what is in them and to see who drew my name, and knowing that they care and to know they love, To me that's what Christmas means to me,

Rosie Lewis

Christmas is a happy time, Time to laugh and shout, Time to celebrate a holiday, For families to get together, For a big celebration, Christmas means going to Grandmother's house,

But still one more thing, Jesus was born for us So he could be our Savior He's the one who saved us, God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, John 3:16 That's what Christmas means to me,

Kelley Green

Christmas means a lot of nice things, I think Christmas is full of things to do, I like to decorate the house, I think the Christmas tree is pretty with all the presents, I think Christmas is a nice holiday, It's fun to get presents because you can't wait to open them then, You can see your cousins and others, You get a bunch of toys and candy, You can see all of your family's things, With all the Christmas cards I can put them on the wall, You can sleep late when you want to then,



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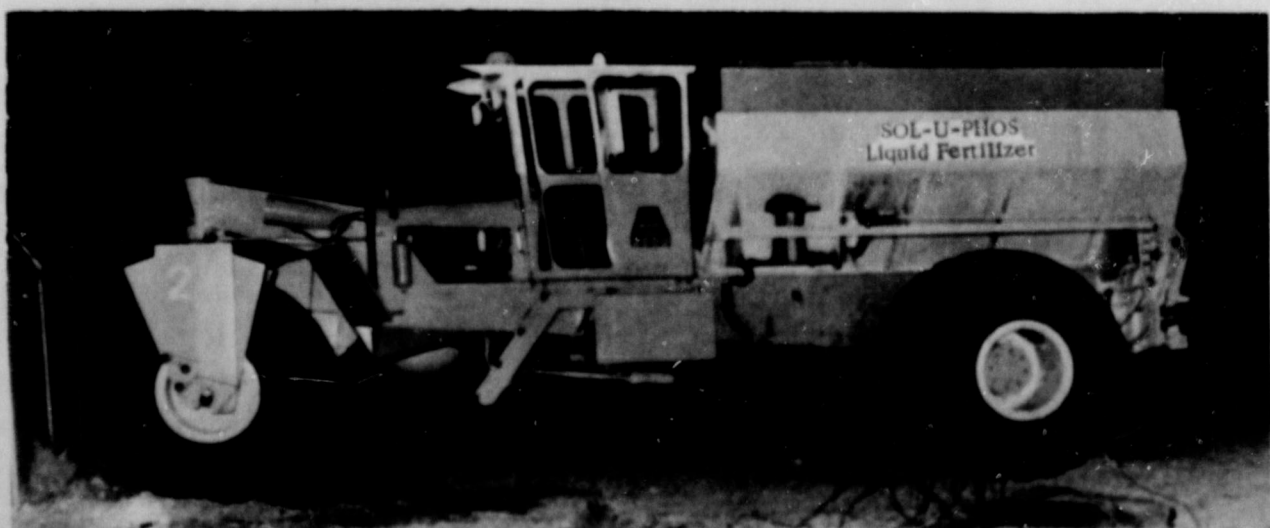
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I want a cap gun, I bene a good boy.  
Love,  
Rory Lynn Jones

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a juice machine and what a truck.  
Whoops I want a hotwheels-car.  
Rex

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have bin a good boy. I want a pretty small miny bike for

Crismas.  
Love,  
Gienn Craft

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like for you to bring me a tube for my bicycle and I would like for you to bring me a hot rod car and I want a Tiny Tear doll.  
Love,  
Sheila Jordan

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a gun, I want a pear of shoes, I want a pear of levis,

I want a doll. I have bin a good girl.  
Love,  
Carla Taylor

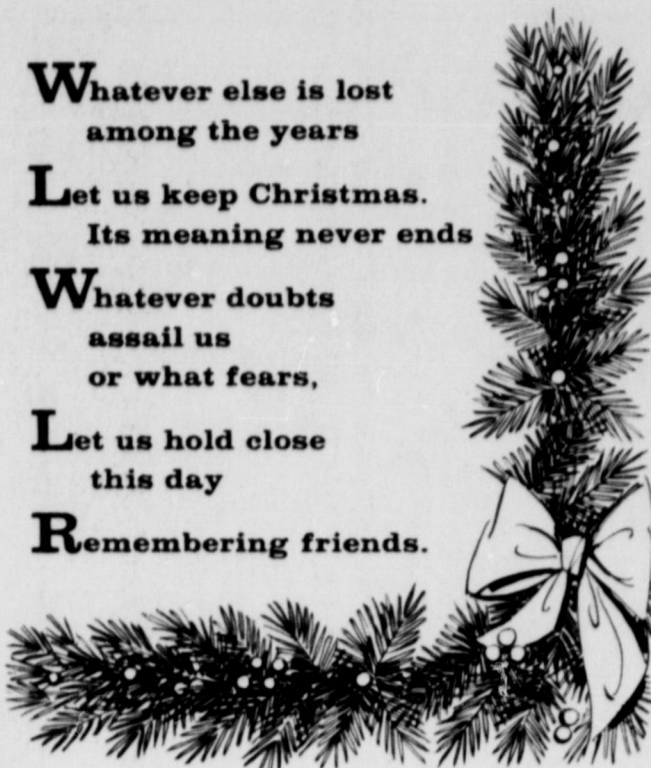
Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a crazy car and a sled that's all.  
Love,  
Andy Kyle

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have bin a good boy. I hope you will bring me a sled for Christmas and I hope you will bring me a s. s. p.  
Love,  
Loren Taylor

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a baby-go bi-bi. And a Barbie doll, I have ben good.  
Love,  
Lesa Templeton

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a bicycle, a Barbie Case and a few Barbie clothes. I am in the first grade.

**Whatever else is lost among the years  
Let us keep Christmas. Its meaning never ends  
Whatever doubts assail us or what fears,  
Let us hold close this day  
Remembering friends.**



Dear Santa Claus,  
I've been a good girl. I want a walking and talking doll. And a Dawn fashion show. And a Tiny Tears doll. And I want a sled. I want a bedroom suit. I want a babydoll bed for my dolls. I want a new dress and paints and a shirt.  
Love,  
Lisa

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have tride to be a good boy. I hope I have been a good boy. I want a BB gun from you. I no my mother won't let me but, I am going to ask her. I hope she will let me.  
Love,  
Allen Clayton

Dear Santa Claus,  
I wish for a doll. And a watch. The color of my watch is going to be silver.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a holl, I want a purs, I want a coat, I want a Brown ring, I have bin a good girl.  
Daniella Bitone

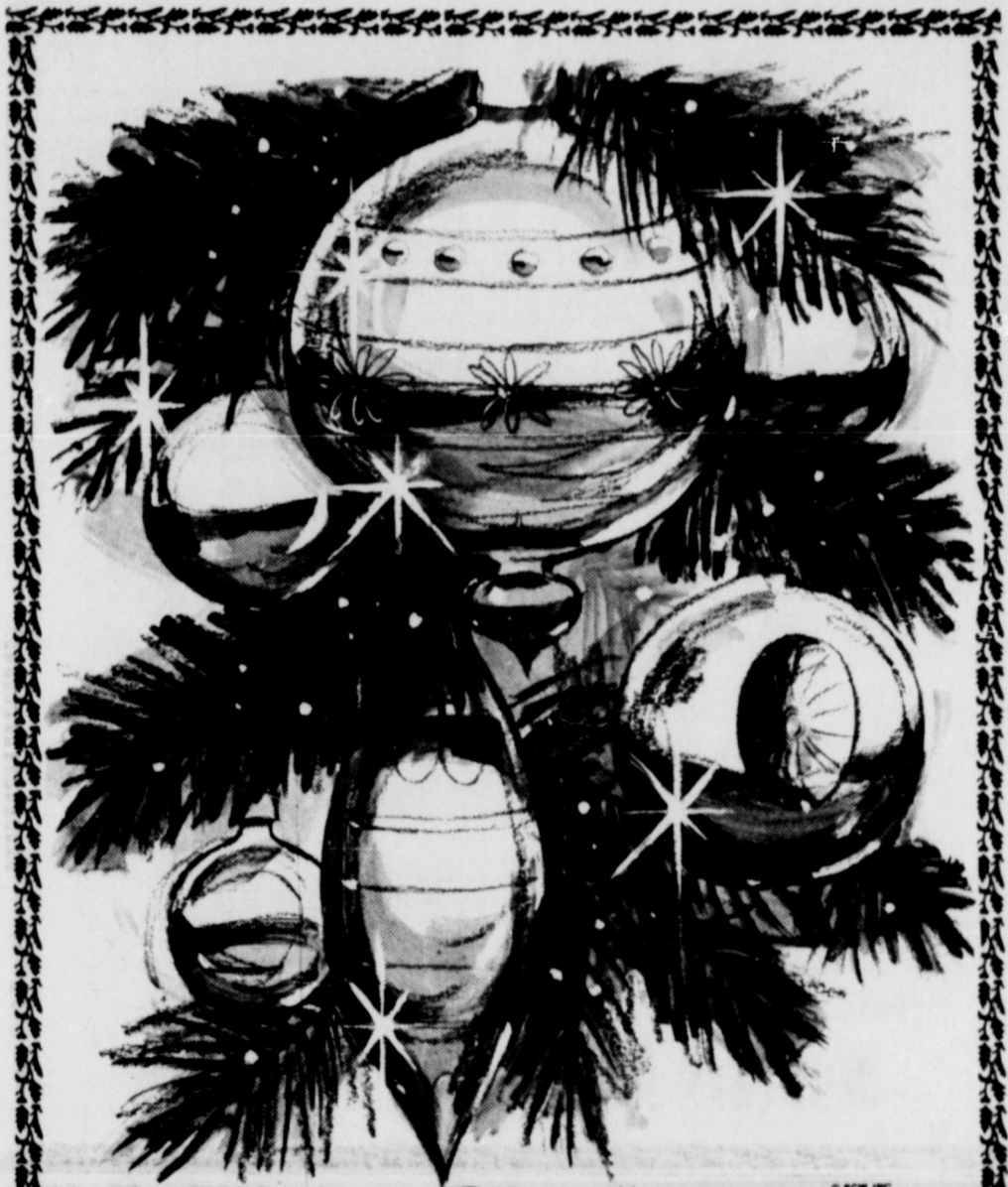
Dear Santa Claus,  
I wish I had a Easybaker and a telephone and a book. The book I want is the three little pigs. That's is all I want.  
Love,  
Maricela

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want Velvet and Roleta for Christmas cav. And a pear of shoestoo. And a penis sute too. And that is all.  
Cindy

Dear Santa Claus,  
I wish I had a puppy by my

Dear Santa,  
how are you doing fin. I hope Santa I want some toys. On Christmas Eve its not long, be- for December, 25, I want to tell. You what I want for Christmas I want all play gun that is a, rifle and a holl los of stuf. I want a stoking with frut in it.  
Love,  
Leslie  
Very Merry Christmas Santa

Dear Santa,  
This is want I want for Christ- mas. I want a doll and a bike and thats all a want.  
Alice Reyes



I have been a nice girl.  
Love You,  
Monica Taylor

Dear Santa,  
I am in the First Grade. I want a Barbie and some clothes.  
I Love You  
Melinda Denham

Dear Santa,  
We are not sure if you can find me. We are going to be here on December, 24th. Please bring me a Tip Toes doll.  
Love you,  
Elma Gauna

Dear Santa,  
This is what I want for Christ- mak: A Baby go by-by. A Dawn's Fashion Show, A sewing machine, A Doll Coach, And most of all, a piano.  
I love you Santa,  
Amy Gonzales  
Age 7

Dear Santa,  
I'm in frist Grade. please bring me some toys and cow- boy boots. Rember all the other children.  
I love you,  
Jeffrey Jones

Dear Santa,  
I would like you to send me a bicycle, and football. I hope you look just like last year. And I hope you will be fine all these years. I will be very good in Christmas. So you can send me what I want. And say hello to Roodof,  
Your turly,  
Roy Sallis

Dear Santa,  
I am in First Grade. I want some toys. Here's what I want: a ballerina suit, a dancerna doll, a baby go by-by, Dawn the revolving fashion stage.  
I Love You,  
Stacy Tunnell

Dear Santa,  
I am in First grade. I want some toys. Bring me a doll that talks. Please come to my house Santa on Christmas eve.  
I love you Santa,  
Elizabeth Padilla

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a wig for Hilda, I want a banecerlinea, I want a new bycicle, I have been a good girl I want a Barbie, I want a dish to play I want a doll to plid.  
Love,  
Hilda

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good girl. I would like you to bring me a baseball and bat.  
Love,  
Stephanie

Dear Santa,  
If I have been good enough, would you please bring me Baby Tender Love, Snocone Msher, Romper Stomper, Silmky, Lite Brite.  
Rhonda P.S. And bring my teacher something nice.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have tride to be a good girl. I hope you thing that I have been good. Dear Santa Claus, I would like a Roleta doll from you.  
Love,  
Jeanne Haydon

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a hot wheel rod runner set. And watch. And I want a GI Joe. A Jeep.  
And Holly wants a doll. And a Baby Tender Love.  
Love,  
Ty and Holly

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a dolly and a easy bake oven.  
Thank you.  
Love,  
Teresa Ott

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Baby Go By By and her Bumpety Buggy, and a watch.  
Love,  
Copula Sageser

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want new France with grow- ing pretty hair.  
Love,  
Elizabeth

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a set of suitcase and dishes. And I whot a Barbie and a Barbie case and Don.  
Love,  
Lyn Howell

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a wig for my doll. And a set fo cards, please give me a red billfold. I want a new basket for my bicycle. I have ben a good girl And I Barbie doll close. And a radeo.  
Love,  
Kim Locke



Let us follow the Star of Bethlehem, in search of that peace that passes understanding. May Christ's love abide with you and yours!

**HERBERT DUNN**  
County Tax Assessor - Collector  
Lamb County

**Merry Christmas**

It's always a pleasure to take time during the holiday season to wish our friends well!

**E. D. McNeese & Family**  
Lamb County Sheriff

**A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS TO YOU**

To you our customers, at this very festive season, we wish all blessings.

**Ray Lynn Britt and Family**  
District Clerk - Littlefield

**Peace on Earth**

The message of Christmas shines as brightly today as it did almost 2000 years ago.

**MARY BETH WILLEY**  
Lamb County Clerk - Littlefield

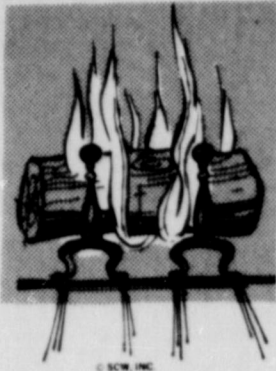


# The Word "Yule" Has Pagan Origins

The ancient northern Europeans, acutely conscious of the peregrinations of the Sun, formed definite theories about it. They thought the sun was a wheel revolving around the earth, and they observed that on one particular day in midwinter

its appearance and disappearance marked the shortest day of the year.

This cycle was known to them as the Hweol, and it was a time of celebrating.



As the pagan Yule celebrations were replaced by the feast of Christmas, the

festival season extended from Christmas Eve to the Feast of the Epiphany. This meant that the Yule log had plenty of time, big as it used to be, to flame and flicker before the last of it had smoldered to ashes.

In the agricultural economy of the pre-Civil War South here in our own country, the Yule log was the means of procuring a true holiday for the field hands.

There was on many plantations an accepted unwritten rule that the slaves would not have to work outdoors so long as the Yule log was alight. The workers would take advantage of this custom, and select the biggest and



*Bless thy year,  
thy coming in,  
thy going out . . .  
thy rest, thy  
traveling about,  
the rough, the  
smooth, the  
bright, the  
drear . . . God  
bless thy year.*

## little-known stories, and origins of Xmas customs

Americans exchange billions of Christmas cards every year.

There are conflicting reports of who sent the first one. According to one source John Calcott Horsley designed the first card for Sir Henry Cole in 1843. It is a triptych, the central panel of which shows a well-fed family at table. They raise their glasses to

plants and flowers on the feast of the Nativity.

Pope Gregory I (604 A.D.) in a letter to St. Augustine of Canterbury advised him to permit, and even to encourage, harmless popular customs which seemed non-pagan and natural, and could be given Christmas interpretation.

toast, "A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year To You." Flanking them in the end panels are the poor and the hungry.



According to another source, the origin of this relatively modern custom is sometimes ascribed to the English Royal Academy artist, W.C.T. Dobson. In 1845 he sent friends lithographed copies of a sketch he had made to symbolize the Christmas spirit.

The first English printed cards were very simple; a robin, a sprig of holly or mistletoe, plus a conventional greeting. Pioneers of Christmas card printing in the United States were mostly Germans such as Louis Prang, who

opened a shop in Roxbury, Mass. in 1874.



## Curls, Curls and more Curls

Forecast for the holidays is curly hair. Curls are back and girls look like girls, wearing frills, pearls and curls! Set your hair on the size rollers that will give you the curl you like. Dry, comb out, spray with Ultimate Hold Adorn and admire your curly look.

To you and yours, may we extend best wishes for a truly blessed holiday season

**Cobb's of Muleshoe**

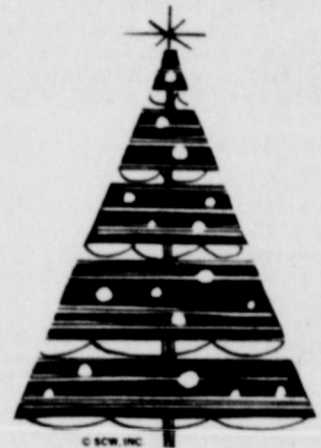
toughest gum tree trunk they could find. They would sink it under water for weeks beforehand, to make it as slow-burning as possible. Sometimes one of these nearly fireproof logs would simmer away for several weeks.

### Christmas in the West in the 1850s

The famous landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted was visiting far from home, in Texas during the Christmas season in the early 1850s. Evidently his preconceived impressions of the wild West bore out. In his diary he noted that from his hotel window he could see the Christmas Eve celebration in San Augustine was noisy and boisterous. The town only had about 50 houses and 12 shops, but its citizens gathered into a band of serenaders who went about the small village beating on tin pans and being very boisterous. This was in sharp contrast to Olmsted's New England upbringing. Throughout Texas and the West, Christmas Day was often spent in wild turkey shoots, followed by a tremendous feast with the bird as featured fare.

### CHRISTMAS DECORATING ONCE SUSPECT

Decorating the tree and the home was not always an innocent pastime. In the very early days of the Christian Church the Popes took a cautious stand on the matter of decorations and festivities. They felt that some of the emerging customs were too pagan in origin.



The church gradually accepted and blessed the practice of decorating both the house of God and the Christian home with

O Holy Night

COME, LET US ADORE HIM!

**Western Auto Associate Store**  
Muleshoe

**IN THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON...**

May we take this opportunity to wish the best for you and your loved ones. We hope your holidays are truly joyful, and marked with harmony in every way. Merry Christmas to all!

**Truitt & Euna Sides**  
Judge Of Lamb County  
Littlefield

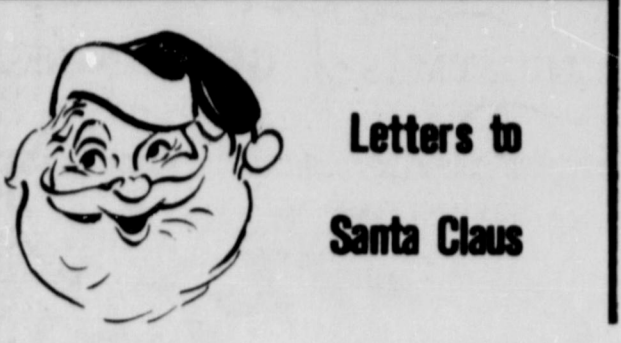
**NOEL**

**WE PRAY THAT PEACE BE WITH YOU**

May that peace that passes understanding . . . the peace of Jesus Christ, our Lord . . . come into every heart this Christmas. We wish you and yours the very best!

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Plainview





**Letters to Santa Claus**

Dear Santa Claus, I want a ballerina suit ballet case, Nutty Noddle tent and sleeping bag. Dawn with a re-voing fashion. Good-by. I LOVE YOU SANTA CLAUS Love, Stephanie

Dear Santa, I want a football a football suit and a football shoeses, a drum and football socks. To santa from Rudy

Dear Santa, It is Christmas and I wish you would bring me a gun, two pistols, and a watch. If you

could bring me a football suit and footballshoes and a helmet of the Rams. A Merry Christmas to you. Your friend, Joe Rodriguez

Dear Santa Claus, I want a Bike for Christmas Santa and Baby Tender Love and some white Go-Go Boots llyon with no zip on the boots By Santa, I love you To Santa From Patricia Ann Johnson Rt. 4, Box 84 Nuber 79347 Daddys Divay Johnson Do you no where Dod stor is if you don't why tern left din tern left aging and your see a



Dear Santa, Please bring me a volleyball, some skates, and a Barbie doll and case. Thank you. Love, Teresa Ott

Dear Santa Claus, I want a Baby Tender Love, and boots I also want a baton I want clothes, and fruit nuts and candy and don't forget other boys and girls around the world. Love, Teresa Lunsford

Dear Santa, I wish I had a little fuzzy Sheepdog with comb or brush. Tony wants an airplane. Lezlee wants a fuzzy toy. With Love, Tamara, Tony, Lezlee Jones

Dear Santa, I want a foot-ball a bike, a Picture Maker, A Truck. I

**IRISH LEGEND, IVY AND THE WINE GOD**

The term "Bacchanalian revelry" often applies to holiday celebrations. Ivy is intertwined in the history of Bacchus, for ivy was the Wine God's crown. Legend tells how it was introduced into Ireland. When Bacchus was traveling through the western lands he visited Ireland, and fell in love with its lush green, charm and beauty. When the time came for him to leave the country, he decided to plant the ivy as a living souvenir of his affection for the Emerald Isle.

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

**Noel**

Look to the Star of Bethlehem for Peace in our World

**W.B. and ELSIE McMILLAN**

Earth

two whitest and a green houbt but see one with two green dils in it.

Dear Santa, I wish I had a watch but I can't Santa is it true that you are coming. I wish you can. That's all good-by. Kisses to you and elvs and you wife and all the deers. Love you Elizabeth Garza

Dear Santa, My little brother want some little trucks for Christmas. Please bring him some little trucks good-by Santa and a happy Christmas. To Santa From Marvin Hood

Dear Santa, I am in the third grade please bring me some toys Santa I want a Doll for Christmas good-by Santa and a happy Christmas. To Santa From Beverly Hood

Dear Santa Claus, I want a football set, I want a football sut, I want a football, I want a Cycloun 500, I want a sp, I want turnup Tower, Hot Wheel. Love, Biff Belew

Dear Santa Claus, I want a jetet tran and I want a big baterre truck and I want a big sled. Love, Shannon

Dear Santa Claus, I want a bow and arrow and a crazy kar. Will you give it to me. Christmas evening I will jump out of bed and git my toys. Love, Melvin James Jr.

Dear Santa Claus, I want some toys. I want a doll that can walk and dance and I want a little TV for real, and I want a purse and is what I want. Love, Nancy

Dear Santa, I want a Train, and a Moor-cacker for my neighbor and a watch For Christmas. Love, Johnny Clinton Robbins P. S. I want a Pillow For Christmas

Dear Santa, Please bring me a Dallas Cowboy Football suit and a big truck and a Kickball. Thank you Love, Sammy Ott

Wishing you peace at Christmas.

Bill Behrends and Wanda Derrick

**BEHREND'S INSURANCE AGENCY**

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Dear Santa Claus, I have tried to be a good boy, and I will like to have a rock em, sock em, robots, and cowboy hat, a book named the three pig, and a bike. Love, Russell Wheatley

Dear Santa Claus, I have ben a good garl. I whet a doll. I now I love you Santa Claus. I love you Santa Claus. Love, Renee Hotary

**GREETINGS**

We wish you the good cheer of this holiday season. And may the New Year bring to your family success and lasting happiness.

**DODD FERTILIZER CO.**

Dodd Forrest Collins Dodd

**Season's Greetings**

WINTER HAS STILLED THE SINGING BROOK - THE PALE SUNLIGHT STRIKES FIRE ON THE ICY PRISMS OF THE TREES, AND ON THE SEQUINED SNOW. BUT THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS WARMS EVERY HUMAN HEART.

Our Business Offices At Muleshoe And Morton Will Be Closed December 25th and 26th To Allow Our Employees A Christmas Holiday.

**Bailey County Electric Cooperative**



# "What Christmas Means To Me"

Christmas is the day to give gifts and we sometimes give Christmas cards. I like Christmas because Christmas is the happy time I like.  
At Christmas it snows. We make a snowman, I hope I have something for Christmas.

Joe Ramirez

Christmas means a time to be happy and to give gifts. It is a time for grandmother to come and have a dinner. Before Christmas I help put up a Christmas tree. On Christmas eve we open presents and thank the people who gave it to us. Early the next morning we get up to see what we got from Santa Claus. These are some of the things Christmas means to me.

Timmy Craft

I like Christmas because everyone is having fun playing and relaxing. Christmas is a day to have fun, and everybody is happy that it is Christmas and that is what Christmas means to me.

David Posada

Getting some presents and getting a holiday is what Christmas means to me. The Christmas days are fun and happy. I like it when we get out for Christmas holidays. I like to see Santa Claus, too. It means to me to put up decorations at Christmas Eve.

Kent

Well the family can gather up and have some dinner and stay home for the night for Christmas and open the Christmas presents and think god for the thing we have right and to go to church the one that have church and that what Christmas mean to me.

Hope Gauna

Christmas is a good holiday for each one. We all get presents. What will winter be without Christmas no one can tell. I am glad that there is Christmas. Because in our church we have to go church on Wednesday.

Ricky Bosquez

Christmas to me means a very happy holiday. A very good time to give presents and many other things. It's a very good time to have a party and good time for it to snow. Its time to put a Christmas tree up and time for santa to come.

Arturo Rodriguez

Going to grandmother's house and my aunt's and uncle's house that what Christmas means to me. Christmas is a good day for pie and for presents. Christmas is a fun day and I can't wait until Christmas because I can buy my mother and father and my brother and my sister a present.

I love Christmas because it is a pretty day when the houses have lights and have their Christmas trees up but we are going to go to my house to get my presents too.

That's what Christmas means to me.

Tammy Fulenwider

Christmas is a time to enjoy. And to enjoy Jesus and Christmas we hope you are so happy in Christmas. It is fun to slide on the ice. You will get some presents. If you will stay outside a lot you will get sick. We going to vacation on Christmas to see my aunt and me uncle and me grandmother to we might have fun.

I wish you will have a lot of presents to on Christmas.

Sylvia Soto

Christmas means to me like going to visit my aunt going to visit my grandmother. I like to go visit. Christmas is fun to play in the snow. I like to play snowball. I like to play snowball in December and like to go on trip. We is going to visit my aunt in December the 17 and we like our new car we got it. Friday at 4 o'clock and we like it.

Linda Hood

Christmas means when Christ was born. Also when Santa Claus come and put candy in my stocking. Christmas is a happy holiday. Christmas means a lot to me like getting popcorn candy, apples, cakes and pies. And also it means like getting a fur coat, a pair of brown boots, a watch and a Baby Tender love. Christmas means to open present and receiving cards, and getting together and having fun. That's what Christmas means to me.

Joyce Ingram

What Christmas means to me is when Christ was born. I like to celebrate Christmas by giving thanks to God and reading the Bible on Christmas eve and having a birthday cake for baby Jesus on Christmas day. I like to give presents to the people I love. Because I have learned it is more blessed to give than receive by studying the Bible.

Rodney Davis

Christmas is a season for laughter and meeting of friends and family. Song and drink run heavy over this joyous of all holidays.

Christmas is fun time and a big dinner. A time for opening presents. The time for fun games and other fun things.

Pat Fulfer

To me Christmas means presents, a man with a long beard, colorful lights, Christmas trees, and reindeer. Snow drifts, cloudy days, Christmas carols, Christmas stories. And toys, Candy, Santa Claus, cold days and nights and Jesus.

Allen Moore

Christmas is a nice day to give presents and have a Christmas tree in our house and to light it. We will have our Christmas dinner and after the dinner we will go play in the snow. And have a big snowball fight and after the snowball fight we will come in and open our presents and see what they are.

Patricia James

Christmas means to me happiness and gifts, and playing in the snow with snow balls. It means going on a trip to see my grandmother. It means fixing the Christmas tree, and having a play in church and eating.

Anita DeLeon

Christmas is a time to greet someone, and to give gifts to each other. It's a time for your family to get together. It's a time to have fun. It's a time to celebrate.

It was a time when God sent his son to forgive our sins and to learn God's word.

Carrie Barden

## U.S. Freedom Christmas Gift December 1776

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

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

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

## Yule Log

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



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

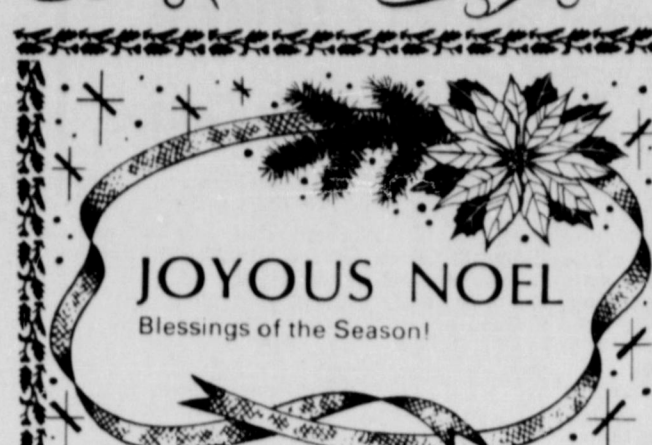
It is not surprising that the gaiety and outward form of the Saturnalia were incorporated into our Christmas customs.

The date of Dec. 25 was expressly chosen by the early Christian leaders as a means of combating their chief competitor, the

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

By the middle of the fourth century A.D., it was evident that the populace was determined to have a festival at the time. In 353 Pope Liberius, to honor Saturnus or Mithras, or just for the sake of having a rollicking good time, decided to absorb observances by declaring Dec. 25 the official birthday.

## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



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Holiday greetings to all

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Holy Infant, grant us peace!

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**EARTH PUMP and MACHINE INC**  
Earth

**NOEL**

Even as the Wise Men did, let us worship Him.

**EARTH AUTO PARTS**  
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**Rejoice!**

Only the Best to you and yours at Yuletide!

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**Merry Christmas**

It's always a pleasure to take time during the holiday season to wish our friends well!

Thanks For Your Patronage Throughout The Years We Look Forward To Serving You For Years To Come...

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### TREE ORIGINS

The decorated Christmas tree as we know it developed from the miracle plays of the Middle Ages. The plays originated as liturgical cantatas sung in Latin in churches with very slight dramatization. Scenery was held to a minimum. The Garden of Eden, for example, was designated by a fir tree hung with apples. This

Paradise tree, as it was called, represented the Fall of Man, not the Nativity.

As the miracle plays gained popularity, they became more elaborate, with more characters, more scenery, even live animals — until their staging outgrew the limits of a chancel. Moved outdoors, the plays became increasingly secular until, about 1450, their performance was banned.

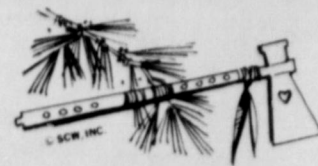
The tree of Eden, the Paradise tree, somehow survived in the public mind after its play was forbidden. It was set up in the house as an object lesson for children: the evergreen tree was an emblem of immortality, while the apples stood for sin. Round wafers were hung on the tree to symbolize redemption. The strictly moralistic character of the Paradise tree gradually faded into pure decoration as apples were replaced by glittering ornaments, and plain wafers took on the shapes of moon and stars, of men and animals.

The ornamented glitter of modern Man's Christmas trees has evolved from this basically religious beginning.

Surprisingly enough, the British Victorians were the folks who introduced the custom of kissing under the mistletoe at Christmastime. Who says they were strait-laced?



their journey westward to celebrate Christmas Day somewhere in the vicinity of what is now Bismarck, North Dakota. Captain Clark wrote in his journal, "We enjoyed a merry Christmas during the day & evening until nine."



In northeastern Wyoming it was rumored that one of a pioneer's Christ-

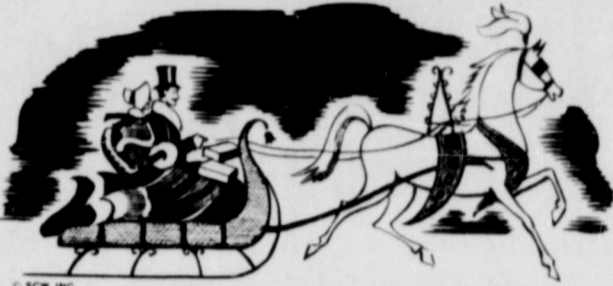
mas trees had a calming influence on a wounded Sioux Indian who burst into a widow's cabin seeking help and food. She was decorating a small tree for her two children. Its beauty aroused the Indian's curiosity and through sign language, the woman was able to explain in part some of the tree's significance.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



Sing hey! Sing hey!  
For Christmas Day;  
Twin mistletoe and holly.  
For friendship glows  
In winter snows,  
And so let's all be jolly!

— Anonymous

### HAPPY HOLIDAYS



A joyful Christmas to everyone

**Farm Bureau Insurance**

Edd Jennings - Littlefield



Let us rejoice at Christmastime!

**Lazbuddie Farm Supply**

Lazbuddie

### What Christmas Means To Me . . .

Christmas means to me alot. And all just because Santa Claus. I can hardly wait to open one present that someone gave me or it may be even you. And I thank the Lord because I was born here. I feel very happy and jolly Santa here is what I want a watch,

Love Always,  
Angelita DeLeon

You know what Christmas means to me? It means presents and toys and Christmas trees. It means lots of goodies and don't forget the singing that's a lot of fun.

And think of Santa Claus to bring all the things. And have a Merry Christmas.

Love,  
Belinda

In Christmas everyone is happy it is a wonderful day in the morning all most every Christmas tree is covered with presents and is a wonderful day for every one.

Esmeralda Martinez

Christmas means happy and joyful with special presents and big big laughs with red juicy rosy cheeks.

Love,  
Ayella Sausedo

Christmas means to me that it is good and good things for us that Santa Claus get for us and for other do you know that.

Love,  
Daniel Deleon

Christmas means to me, to have a happy time with my family and friends. To give and to get back presents. I like to have the Christmas feast and to eat as much as I can. And to visit my ancestors and it's fun. My mother and father and brother and I all like to go to Lubbock or Dallas, or somewhere or even stay home and have Christmas at home.

Your Letter Writer,  
Lynn Brown

It means happiness to me and I like to give than receive and I like to see peoples faces and for them to be happy.

Love,  
Kyle Cearley

Christmas is a wonderful day. The air is full of jolly. And in most of all our families are together. With little ones below the Christmas tree opening presents of holly. During the year we hope it will go fast and when Christmas comes I want it to go slow. Have a Merry Christmas.

Lexie Fennell



### Greetings

May your hearts and voices be raised in joyfulness and song throughout the holiday season.

**FARMERS GRAIN CO.**

SUNNYSIDE

# Noel

May the spirit of brotherly love illuminate every heart and every home at Christmastime.

**First National Bank**

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### AMERICA'S SETTLERS CELEBRATED IN OWN WAY

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

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



In 1804 the explorers Meriwether Lewis and William Clark rested from

## Blessings at Christmas



... THE LORD HAS COME! LET EVERY HEART PREPARE HIM ROOM... AND MAY HIS PEACE REIGN ON EARTH, NOW AND FOREVERMORE!

Percy & Margret Parsons  
Frank & Sally Ellis





## What Christmas Means To Me...

Christmas means a big day, and some presents for all. It means a holiday for us and it means a big day for my little sister. Santa Claus is a good man and it means a big day for me and a big Christmas for all.

Andres DeLeon

Christmas to me means many things, Christmas means love. God sent his son to give us our life, to live in this world. Christmas also reminds me of Three Wise Men. They gave us a symbol. The gifts are a symbol. The gifts are also fun. Christmas is fun for everyone.

Cheryl Riggs

Christmas is a time to enjoy and to have fun. You always get presents. It means a time of greeting. Christmas means a lot to me with a jolly Christmas tree.

Doniece Taylor

Christmas means to me that Jesus was born and the bright big star meant something special was happening. The wise men saw the star and it nearly blinded them. The Lord sent some angels to tell the wise men. When the wise men heard about it they started to go. They brought some presents to baby Jesus. Mary and Joseph thanked them.

Mark Bridge

Christmas means to me that Jesus was born. Ever Christmas we say a prayer before we open our presents. Grandfather leads the prayer. Then we get our pictures taken, Lisa and I have fun opening the presents. That's what Christmas means to me.

Kim Holder



"AND LO, THE GLORY OF THE LORD SHOWN ROUND ABOUT THEM"... Johnny, Teresa and Rocky Lunsford give their full attention to the reading of the Christmas Story by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lunsford.

## holly was venerated by ancients

Modern man is apt to take holly for granted, although it is much admired, and used, during the Christmas Season. Yet even before the coming of the Christchild, holly held a niche unique in the history of man's relationship with plants.

Writings of the Greeks and Romans record the giving of holly branches and wreaths on happy occasions. Wedding guests brought holly to the newly married couple as an expression of their good wishes, and boughs were frequently given as gifts to friends to signify goodwill. Its lustrous leaves and glossy berries enlivened pagan revels throughout Europe, most notably the notorious Roman festival of Saturnalia.

Householders from the frozen North to the Mediterranean isles brought holly into their dwellings to protect themselves from evil spirits. They considered it a haven for friendly fairies of the forest during the winter's cold, dark days. Branches were put in the barns, too, because its cheery brightness was believed to make the cattle thrive despite the bleak weather.

Persia's followers of Zoroaster believed the holly tree casts no shadow. They made a tea of holly leaves for use in religious ceremonies. In Germany, holly was called Christ-dorn, for it was thought that the crucifixion wreath was made of holly. In England, he who trod on holly berries was cursed with



When they had heard the king, they departed; and lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

—St. Matthew 2:9

bad luck, for the robin who loves these berries was said to have plucked the thorns from Christ's brow. This was how he got his red breast, according to ancient legend.



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## What Christmas Means To Me...

Christmas means to get presents and to have fun, to give presents to other people and to put up decorations. Christmas means I get to see Santa Claus and tell him what I want. I like to receive Christmas cards, and to open Christmas presents.

Susie Lunsford

Christmas means a time of happiness, giving presents and getting toys. Christmas is a time of getting together and having fun, and remembering the birth of Christ. I like Christmas because you get to open presents and this year I get to call the names out to whom the gifts belong. One more reason I like Christmas is because you get to go see Santa Claus. Christmas means to me waking up in the morning looking in my stocking and seeing candy and apples. Christmas means to me having a big dinner. Christmas also means to me helping decorate the Christmas tree.

DeAnne Clayton

Christmas means a lot of things to me. It means love to little Jesus of Bethlehem. It means love to mother and father, to brother and sister.

Christmas means gifts and fun, with laughter and shouts the children make. The dogs bark, the cats purr very, very loud. Christmas means a lot more things than I can think of. Christmas takes such a long time to get here! That I might as well say, bye, bye.

Elaïne Bills

Christmas means presents, friends, and Santa Claus. It means candy, fruit, and fun. Christmas also means joy. It means company and a rest from school. Christmas means trips and good food. It means giving and receiving presents. That's what Christmas means to me.

Jimmy Randolph

Christmas means presents, friends, Santa Claus, candy, toys and good food. It means to be together. It means to help fix the Christmas tree. It means to have a good time.

James Heritage



## SANTA RIDES A WHITE MARE OVER ROOF TOPS... OTHER DUTCH XMAS-LORE

Donner, Blitzen and all the rest of that squad of flying reindeer which Dr. Clement Moore immortalized in his famous poem might get "in Dutch" with the children of the Netherlands who traditionally get a different image at Christmas. And the timing is different. Christmas comes twice a year for the children of Holland. They get their presents on the evening of Dec. 5 or the following morning. Three weeks later, with the rest of the world, they celebrate the festival, in a religious way.

is a switchover to Christmas carols.



Dutch mothers and fathers shop, especially until late in the evening for two weeks before Dec. 6.

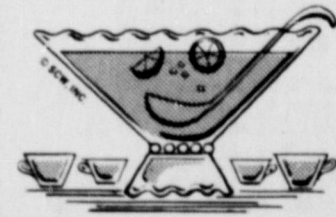
## WORTH TALKING ABOUT

"Industry cooperation is not made easier by the emotionalism with which the matter (air and water pollution) is now charged—an emotionalism we can expect to see intensified. Some writers, politicians, and even research people have found that strong words on pollution are a short route to attention. We must not permit the job ahead of us in air and water conservation—either its size or its complexity to become obscured by rash statements and fanciful notions. Clear water and clear air will only come about through clear thinking."

Frank N. Ikard, President American Petroleum Institute



St. Nicholas (the originator of all the Santa and Snowmen figures all over the world) arrives in Holland from Spain in the middle of November. From then until Dec. 6, the Saint's birthday, Dutch children may put their shoes by the fireside every evening, together with a carrot or a slice of bread for the white mare which the saint traditionally rides over the roof-tops in Holland.



bowls sometimes had pieces of toast (as well as fruit) floating around in the top.

In medieval days the wassail was often accompanied by roasted peacock, re-stuffed in its feathered finery, and with a small fire (lighted brandy) playing about its nostrils. Her ladyship always served this dish herself.

Our European ancestors must have had strong stomachs and a gift for showmanship.



In the morning, if the children have behaved themselves, they may find a little toy or some goodies in their shoes.

From the middle of November the misty Dutch air is filled with the sound of children's voices singing the traditional St. Nicholas song, completely secular. After Dec. 6 there

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Jan. 7, 1789—The first election for a President of the United States took place throughout the nation.

Jan. 10, 1901—The striking of oil in Beaumont, Texas, marked the start of the great Texas oil boom.

Jan. 11, 1913—Patrons of the National Automobile Show in New York were introduced to a new type of automobile, the "sedan," a luxury model with four doors.

Jan. 14, 1914—Henry Ford revolutionized the manufacture of automobiles by inaugurating his "assembly line," a new technique that permitted the assembly of a car while it was in continuous motion. In 1913, before the assembly line, Ford mechanics spent at least 12½ hours putting a car together. Beginning with this date in 1914, complete assembly took only 93 minutes.

Jan. 28, 1902—A gift of \$1,000,000 from Andrew Carnegie established the Carnegie Institution to "encourage in the broadest and most liberal manner investigation, research and discovery, and the application of knowledge to the improvement of mankind."

Jan. 29, 1900—Baseball's American League was organized at Philadelphia, composed of eight teams: Buffalo, Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Milwaukee, and Minneapolis.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

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## Christmas belongs to other sects too, Asians say

According to the manager of a large department store in Hong Kong, Christmas no longer belongs to Christians only.

"The Chinese population," says he, "has made it a fete of their own.

Buddhists, Confucians, Moslems, Shintoists, Taoists and all other men of good will express in some way the spirit of the season.

In South Korea Christmas Eve is a night for revelry. The midnight to 4 a.m. curfew, imposed because of any North Korean threat, is lifted. Ko-



WILL SANTA SEE THEM HERE? Holly and Ty Harber prepared for Christmas Day activities by adding the finishing touches to decorations in their home. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harber.



## THE YULE LOG STORY

Oh, how warm and bright that Yule Log burns on our Christmas night. The Yule Log's beginning can be traced centuries back. It is also generally believed that the traditional burning of the Yule Log was handed down to Scandinavian countries from English-speaking countries.

The Scandinavian feast of Winter Solstice was observed by the kindling of huge bonfires to the god Thor. In England the Yule Log was burned amidst great noise and song. The large castle estates had minstrels to sing to the log, but where no minstrels were available, it was customary for the family members to salute the log themselves.

Because of our modern living conditions the burning of the Yule Log here in America is virtually non-existent.

## Peace



be with you and those you love at this holy time of Christmas!

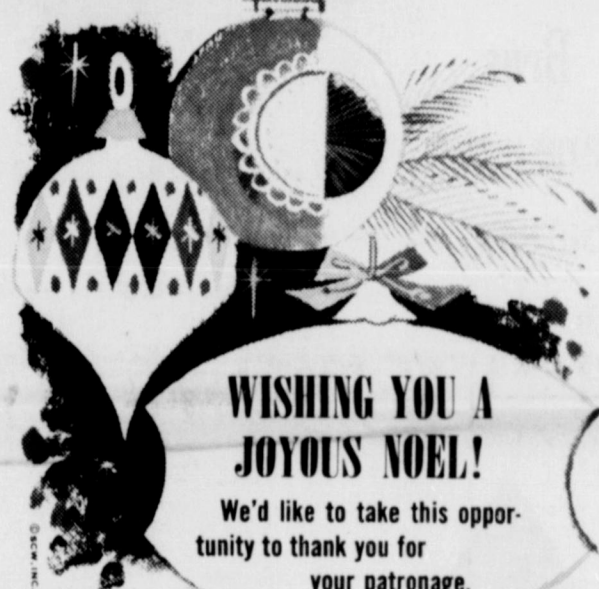


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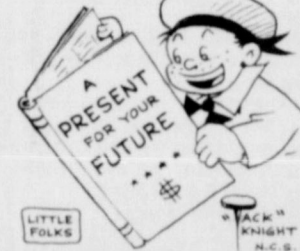
reans in the thousands flock to tea houses, night clubs and hotels.



In Burma, where the people are predominantly Buddhist, one may be able to turn on the radio on Christmas Day and hear a live broadcast of Handel's "Messiah" presented by an interdenominational, multiracial choir.

"Peace on earth" is what all the "little" people think about and families pray for. In military camps there is mail from home, the best food the army can muster and the odd improvised Christmas tree perched on top of a bunker.

MOM AND POP TOLD ME ALL ABOUT THIS... IT'S U.S. SAVINGS BONDS!



**MERRY CHRISTMAS**



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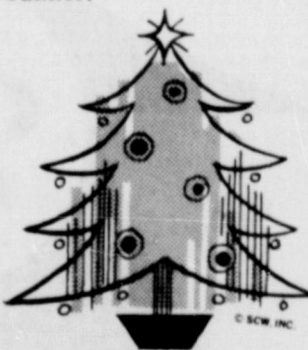
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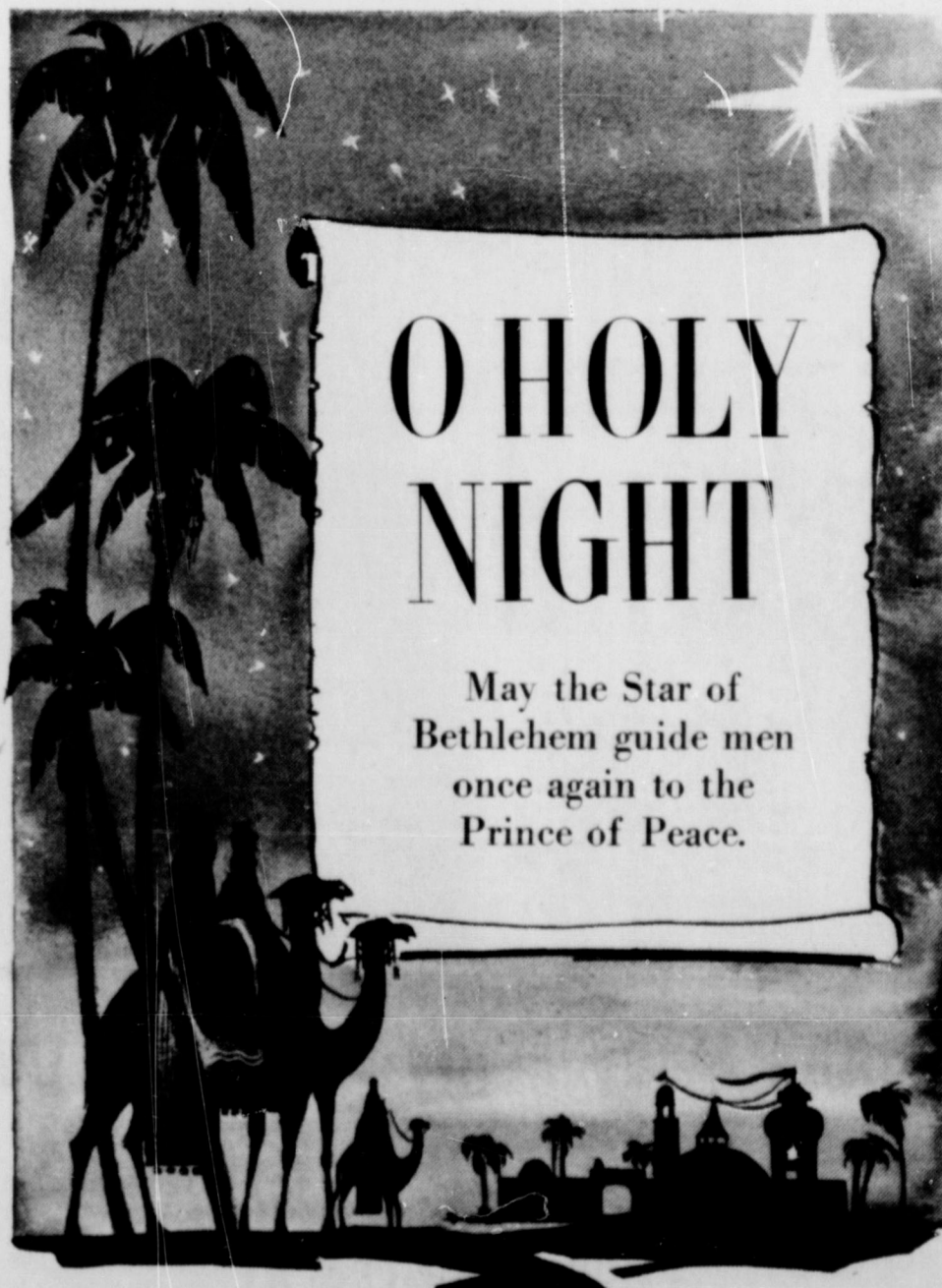
In Taiwan, the island republic's 600,000 Christians observe a more subdued Christmas than their western brothers, saving festivities for the Chinese Lunar New Year.

December is bonus time in Japan. The year-end bonus is enjoyed by all employees of Japanese firms and the government, including the Prime Minister.



We are children of God; and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ.—(Rom. 8:16).

We are children of God, radiant, all-wise, all-loving, all-conquering child of God. Nothing in the external world has power to worry or depress us. Nothing has the power to make us feel slighted, hurt or mistreated. We as children of God are all-conquering and triumphant. We walk securely and confidently in the knowledge of this truth.



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## Santa Letters...

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a stove, car, a doll that wets her pants, dishes, boots, watch, flash light, pj's and long housecoat.  
Kathy and Kelly Head

Dear Santa,

I have been real good, and I am 9 years old. I would like to have a gas plane, electric train, boxing bag, football books, trampoline. Please do not forget the other boys and girls.

Dear Santa,

I am seven years old. I live in Earth, Texas 800 4th street. I would like for you to bring me a walke tafke, a foot-ball suit, a horse van. I hope you will not take a bad cold for I sure would like to see you when you bring my toys. I will be a good boy.  
From,  
Greg Hulcy

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl. I want a Baby Tender Love, and a talking telephone, and also a doll house for Christmas. We will leave some milk and cookies for you.  
Love,  
Lisa Lanier  
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I want you to bring me a puppy, a machine gun, a paint set and some records.  
I am six years old and I have been a pretty good boy.  
Your friend,  
Cliff James

Dear Santa,

My name is Linda Jo, I have been a real nice girl and I want a Crissy doll with hair that grows for Christmas.  
Love,  
Linda Jo Sisneros  
Kindergarten



ONE--TWO--THREE--But the GO must wait until Christmas mornng for the children of Mr. and Mrs. Raiford Daniel, Jr. The group awaiting the beginning of Christmas festivities are Raiford III, Hollis, Albert, Jody, Debbie, Clifford and Donna.

## What Christmas Means To Me...

Christmas is like having a party. You give presents to each of the family. And if your lucky enough you might get to go to grandmother's house. There you can tell grandmother some jokes. You can even ask grandfather to go hunting, fishing any kind of sports. It is a fin time of the year.  
Johnny Smith

Christmas means a whole lot more than you think it does. It means fun because we give presents. If you go on a vacation that will be real fun. It means to me helping fix the Christmas tree, and to put a candy cane on it.  
Rosario Montiel

Christmas is a joyful time of year. It means going shopping for gifts, buying a tree, and putting decorations and lights, sending cards to grandmother, cousins, aunts, and uncles, and having a Christmas party and eating ham, cranberries, potatoes, and ples.

Christmas means going to Grandmother's house and taking walks with the family. Christmas means getting everybody together, helping for dinner, opening presents, receiving Christmas cards, and playing with your cousins that you haven't seen in a long time. That's what Christmas means to me.  
Lindsey Field

### YULE SERENADE

Serenading their neighbors with carols is a community enterprise in St. Louis, Mo. More than 50,000 carolers participate, under the guidance of the St. Louis Christmas Carols association, established half a century ago. Voluntary contributions to the carolers are used to help handicapped and underprivileged children.

### In Italy

Santa Claus is gaining favor with Italian children, but the traditional gift-giver, especially south of Rome, is Befana. Usually represented as a gray-haired witch who rides a broomstick, she brings toys for good children, but a stocking full of coal or ashes for naughty ones.

Legends say, variously, that she misdirected the Magi or that she refused shelter to the Holy Family. Repenting, she now goes around the world on Christmas Eve, seeking the Christ Child and doing good to children.



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Dear Santa,

I am a little boy 5 years old. I have been a real good boy my mother said.

Since I talked to you in Springfield, Missouri I have thought of something else I would like to have. I would like a football, shoulder pads and a helmet. I would also like to have a bicycle.

Santa, please don't forget all the other little boys and girls that have been good.  
I love you,  
Todd Lively

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a doll for Christmas and some play dishes for Christmas and I hope you will give it to me for Christmas.  
Your friend,  
Susie Daran  
Pre-first

Dear Santa,

My little brother does not know how to write so I'm writing for him.

His name is Gary Don Davis. He has tried to be a good boy and would like for you to bring him a cowboy set and a tonka car set and a surprise.  
Thank you, Santa.  
Your friend,  
Rodney

Dear Santa,

I want Baby Tender love doll, and some dishes.  
Thank you Santa,  
Glenda James  
Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy 2 1/2 mo. old. I have been a good boy this year.

I am sorry that I cried when I saw you in Springfield, Missouri.

I would like to have a wagon and some trucks.

Don't forget all the other little boys and girls that have been good.  
I love you,  
Ty Don Lively

### Ghosts

Souls of dead persons may wander abroad on Christmas Eve. Or so it was believed in both Yugoslavia and Norway. A lighted candle placed in a window was thought to have power to keep ghosts outside a home and to light them on their way. Yule candles are still placed in cottage windows.



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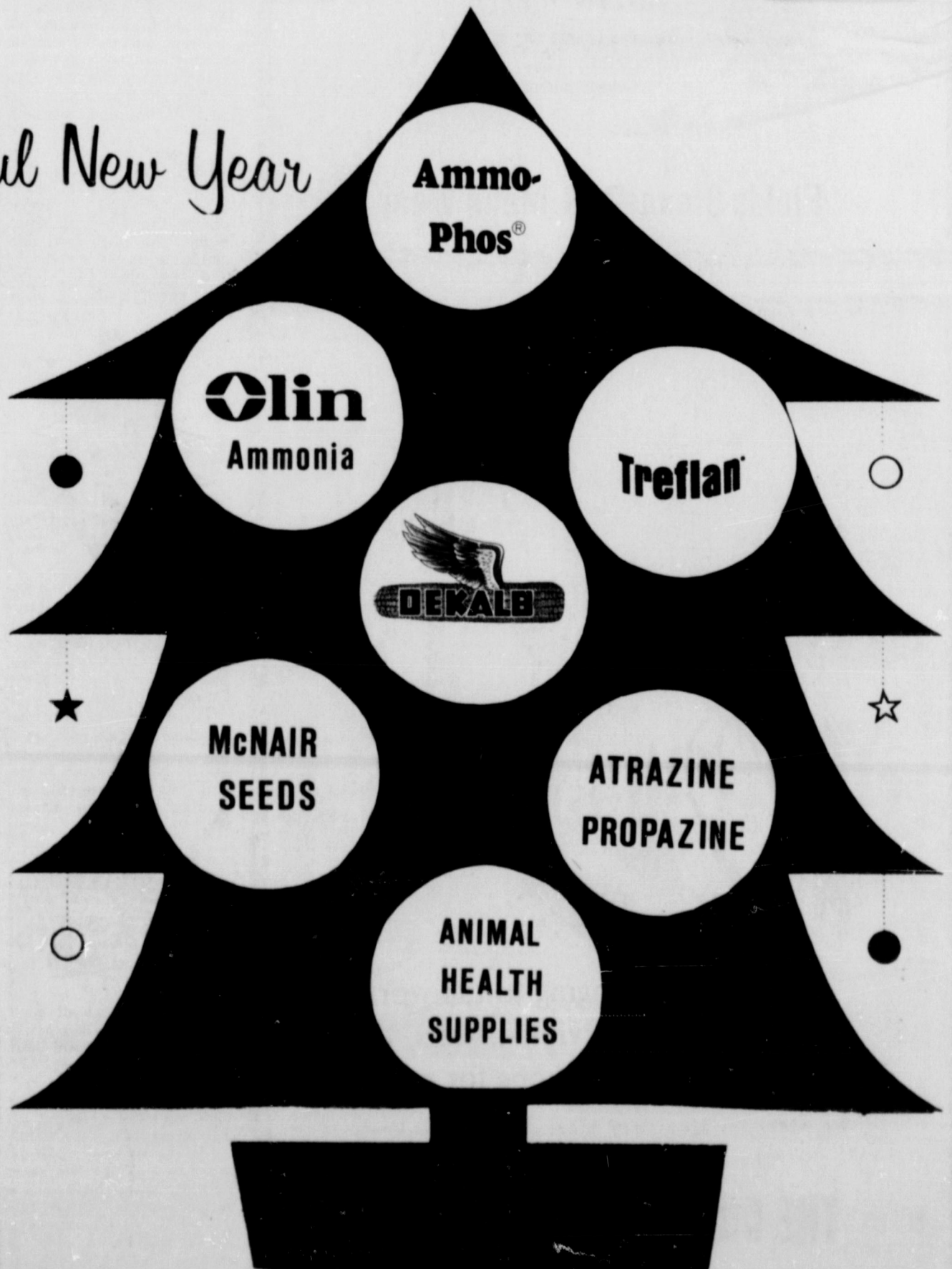
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