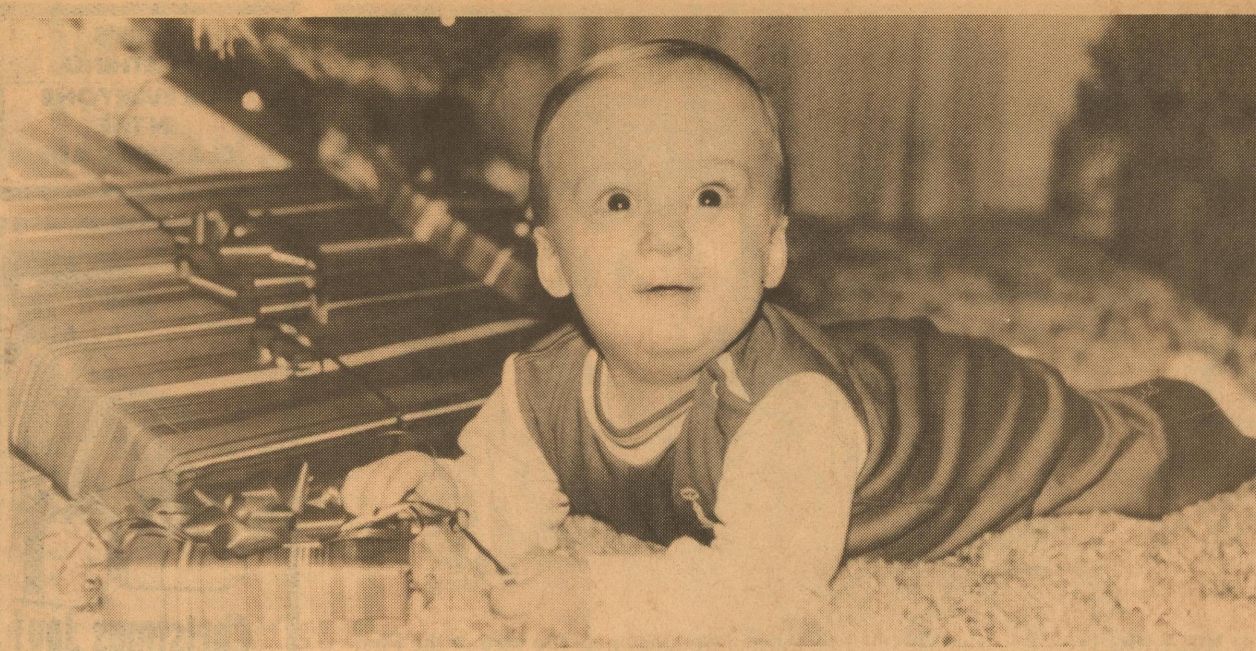


Hallelujah

We pray the Spirit of the holiday will grow ever greater in your heart.

Charlie, Cathy, Elizabeth, Cherie & Ashley



I JUST LIKE THE RIBBONS — Little John Stark is already in love with Christmas, and his favorite thing right now is the ribbons. He isn't quite old enough to

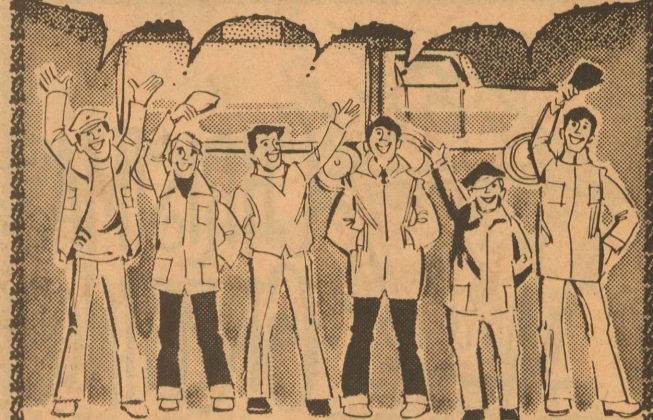
realize there's something in that box; playing with the pretty red ribbons is good enough for him. He is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Gene Stark.



The ancient Greeks believed that if they carried magnets, two brothers could live together in harmony.

We raise our voices in praise of our fine friends and patrons and wish them many blessings

at Christmas



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In Those Days

(Compiled From Eldorado Success Files)

ONE YEAR AGO
Dec. 23, 1977 — A grass fire on the Case Ranch burned off about half a section.

In a congregational meeting, members of the First Baptist Church approved future renovation and remodeling of the church basement and three-story annex.

A blood drive in memory of Mrs. Amy Cheatham was held here.

FIVE YEARS AGO
Dec. 20, 1973 — The Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade was held and Vonda Maness was crowned Miss Merry Christmas. Runners-up were Gail Dannheim and Gail Storey.

A skating party honored Laura Gentry on her 12th birthday. Those attending were Lori Griffin, Sigrid Head, Janet Bradshaw, Gwendolyn Gunstead, Linda Gentry, Elizabeth Brame, Susan Crippin, Toni Fatheree, Jolynn Jay and Libby Stark.

Sons were born to Mr. and Mrs. David Lloyd and Mr. and Mrs. Allan Sallee. A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Phillips of Austin.

A 30-year pin was presented to Mrs. Ola Mae McDonald for her local employment service with West Texas Utilities.

Jo Ed Hill was chairman of a Special Gifts fund drive for The West Texas Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation.

12 YEARS AGO
Dec. 22, 1966 — Howard Derrick of Eldorado was newly-elected president of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association.

The old Steward building on the Sonora highway was being torn down. It had formerly housed the Whiteley blacksmith shop and earlier the Laird garage.

Charles Wimer presided at the final pre-holiday meeting at the Eldorado Lions Club.

Walter Speck, Gold Star Boy from this county, was given the Showmanship Trophy in the show held here.

The Sonora Broncos football team won the State Championship after defeating Schulenburg in a game played at San Marcos.

Air Force Sgr. Voy J. Mitchell was married in Ireland.

Donald Rogers and Johnny Mayo were on the All-District football team.

35 YEARS AGO
Dec. 24, 1943 — The Lions Club put on a ban-

quet in the Baptist Church honoring the school teachers and administrators. H.T. Finley, president of the club, presided. Short talks were made by School Supt. C.A. Reynolds and Coach Ernest Sutherland.

Mrs. Ray Jones and Mrs. J.M. Hays honored members of the Junior Baptist Training Union with a party. Those attending included: Marilyn Jane Dickey, Joyce Burk, Mary Thompson, Betty Sue Williams, Glynitta Griffith, Iretta Faye Mace, Mary Sproul, June and Jane Craig, Patricia Humphreys, Wayne Davis, J. Wylie Green, Bobo Gunn, Glenn Biggs and Jack Mund.

Carl Farrar brought in a large batch on vegetables from his victory garden, and Joe Chitty brought in a mustard leaf measuring 28 inches. It was grown by Mrs. R.D. McKee.

WEATHER LOG

Date	High	Low
Dec. 11th	52	25
Dec. 12th	58	27
Dec. 13th	52	33
Dec. 14th	40	30
Dec. 15th	60	32
Dec. 16th	54	33
Dec. 17th	55	35



Glad Tidings

Season's greetings to our many fine friends.

Harvey, Rosa and Blanca Martinez

CHEER TO ALL

LIVE... LOVE... LAUGH... because it's CHRISTMAS! Thanks to our friends.

Anna's Drive Inn

We will be open Dec. 24th until 3 p.m. and closed Dec. 25th & New Year's Day

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

May every glowing moment of your holiday be filled with all things bright and beautiful. Thanks to our devoted patrons.

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Cynthia & Gena

BEST WISHES

The curtain's going up on a star-studded Christmas for our many friends and patrons! Thank to one and all.

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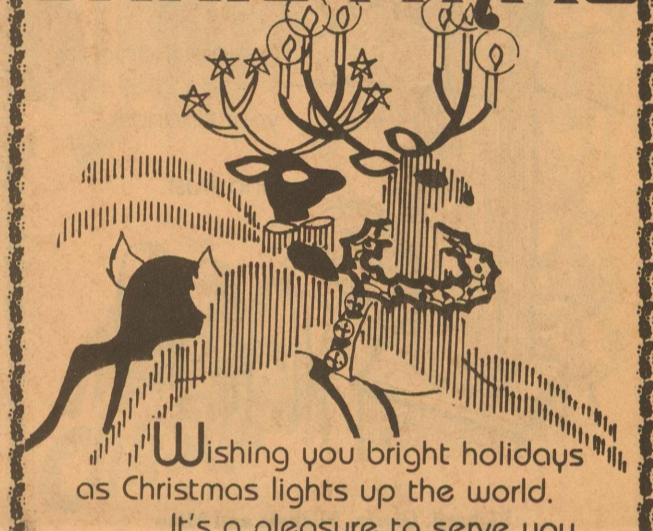
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REJOICE May your Christmas be one of Peace and Joy and Giving. Thanks to all.

Mr. & Mrs. L.B. Burk



O HOLY NIGHT — It looked like the little town of Bethlehem on the yard of the First Methodist Church last Sunday and Wednesday as members of the church presented a live Nativity Scene. Here youthful members portray their roles as shepherds, angles, wise men and the Holy Family. The original scene, over 1900 years ago, became the basis of the most important of all holidays, Christmas.

THERE'S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE IN THE CLASSIFIED ADS

Christmas Joy!

Shirley, Sherwin, Trey, Cindy & Christine

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We figure one of the nicest things about the holiday is the opportunity it affords to tell our friends how much we appreciate them.

Thanks for your trust.

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Bookkeeping & Tax Service

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Holiday lights brighten the landscape shining a message of brotherhood and love to all the world. They express too our thanks for your kindness and trust.

Richard, Gloria, Michele and Mike R.H. Lazano Jr., David Hutchinson and Roger Christy

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Nursing Home News

We, in the Nursing Home have really been "Wined" and "Dined", and given several parties in the dining room, here, during the last week, besides the numbers of huge boxes of all kinds of fruit and candies that have been brought here to us.

The following is a list of organizations who did all of the above mentioned wonderful things for us. I do hope that I do not leave out any of them. In case I do, it certainly will not be intentional, because we have appreciated everything that has been done for us so very much, and we thank every person a "million" who had a part in helping with any of the activities during the week.

Amaco Oil Company, who are stationed in Sonora, but have part of their employees living in Eldorado, gave us two large boxes of fruit, candy and cookies.

Dr. Hixson gave us two boxes of fruit.

The Presbyterian Church, a large box of sacks of fruit and candy.

The Beta Sigma Phi Sorority brought pretty baskets of fruit.

The F.H.A. Girls decorated the nurses station here in the nursing home.

The Home Economic girls decorated the room doors so beautifully.

The Southwest Texas Electric Co-op Boys decorated outside in front of the

hospital.

The Hospital Auxiliary gave us a wonderful party Sunday afternoon here in the dining room. A large choir, composed of singers from several churches sang old familiar songs and hymns, which we enjoyed immensely. There was a Santa Clause at that party which handed out the gifts that were under the beautifully decorated Christmas tree, which the Hospital Auxiliary had furnished, and decorated. They also furnished the gifts that were distributed among the residents of the home. Bro. Gene Stark was the Santa Clause, dressed in a beautiful Santa Clause suit, white beard and all.

If a person has to live in a Nursing Home, it is wonderful to live in one like the one here in Eldorado, and I know that you might have to search a good while before one could be found as good as this one, and certainly not one that excels it. I say that it is the best one in the state of Texas, and how proud the inhabitants of Schleicher County should be of it, and also for our wonderful hospital and two, not just one, as it had been so long, dear, efficient doctors.

There were no visitors last week. Everyone was busy getting ready for Christmas, I suppose.

The bingo winners last week on Wednesday were: Beulah Harris, 2; Erna Rexroat, 2; Dehlia Gardener, 1; Fannie Blaylock, 2; Frank Reed, 2; Lester Garrett, 1; LaVita Brooks, 1.

On Friday: Elva Daniels, 1; Frank Reed, 2; Juanita Sanchez, 2; Bess Andrews, 1; Tom Humphrey, 1; LaVita Brooks, 1; Lester Garrett, 1.

Elva Daniels was in the hospital here part of last week, but she is much better and is back in her room, and played bingo Friday.

We have two new residents in the home. Tom Humphrey of Johnson City

who is the father of Mary Mozelle Buchanan of Eldorado, came the last of the week, and George Kisselburg, father of Harvey Kisselburg of Eldorado, entered the home the latter part of the week.

Both of them seem to be doing well.

Mabel Wilkinson was entered in the hospital here one day last week, but is supposed to be brought back to her room today.

On account of the Christmas party here last Sunday there was no church service and next Sunday, Dec. 24th, there will be no service here either.

One good thing has come out of mounting medical costs: They've cured a lot of hypochondria.

Reporters, LaVita Brooks Beaulah Harris

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LENDER

Merry Christmas

May your Christmas be adorned with the special joys and holiday treasures this happy season brings. Sincere thanks to our many friends.

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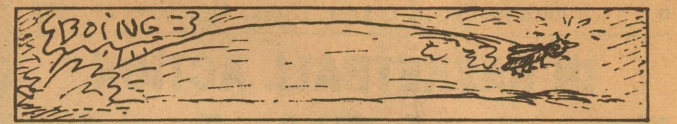
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PEACE... Joy... and HAPPINESS

The Spirit of Christmas is everywhere touching all earthly creatures with its magic and warmth. We share this Spirit with our friends and wish you a wonderful holiday season. Our gratitude to all.

First National Bank

From All The Officers, Employees & Directors



The lowly flea can leap 80 times its own height and 150 times its length.

Christmas Is Still Christmas, Although Celebrated Differently

Christmas is a holiday that is celebrated all around the world. As with everything else, it is observed in different ways in different places. Two residents of Eldorado can tell you how the holiday is celebrated by Europeans, in both France and Germany.

Ilse Williams is a native of Germany and has lived here about six years. She says the holiday begins with the advent calendar which is a box with a holiday scene printed on top. It has 24 little doors on the top, each with a number of a day on it. Each morning, the children open the door with the date on it and get a piece of chocolate out of it.

"I don't guess there was a child in Germany who didn't cheat on their calendar," laughed Mrs. Williams, "and we all had one."

On the sixth of December, the children place their shoes outside the door of their bedrooms and Santa Claus puts candy in them. If they have not been good enough for jolly St. Nick, they receive a switch instead of candy.

Every home in Germany has an advent wreath which hangs from the ceiling or sits on the table. The wreaths have four big candles on them and on each Sunday of December, another candle is lit. Advent wreaths are also at the schools and there is a lighting ceremony each Monday.

"Everything about Christmas in Germany is top secret," Mrs. Williams says. Christmas trees are decorated only on Christmas Eve and only behind closed doors usually by parents. Instead of electric lights, they use candles and many edibles such as cookies, apples and candy wrapped in foil. There are some shiny ornaments.

Presents are also hidden and are then handed to whoever decorates the Christmas room.

On Christmas Eve, families have supper and then attend church services. Then they can go into the room with the Christmas tree. In Germany, Santa comes through the back door because of the lack of fireplaces. In South Germany, the Christ child brings the gifts and in North Germany, the Christmas man does the honors.

On the 25th, Christmas day, families visit with their relatives and eat a big meal, whatever they can afford. One of the favorite meals is carp. The following day is reserved for more visiting and "recuperating from the day before."

The Christmas tree stays until New Years day and then it is thrown out for trash.

The same kind of Advent calendar is used by children in France, Franck Boulmer says, as his eyes lit up when he saw the calendar Mrs. Williams received from her parents last week.



FRANCK BOULMER SHOWS ADVENT CALENDAR ...Calendars used in both France and Germany

Franck said that French students got a longer holiday vacation than American students, and the cities there are as crowded as the cities in this country.

There are no electric lights on Christmas trees in France, says Franck. Instead, they use tinsel garland, round ornaments, little angels and shiny birds. Wreaths are hung on doorways, ceilings and light fixtures.

As in Germany, the suspense of the holiday grows on Christmas Eve. All during the day, there is no regular television; instead there is one special show after another. The shows are similar to our Christmas specials.

A meal is served about 8 p.m. and the family attends a presentation, similar to a Christmas play. Then there is a procession and everyone attends Midnight Mass.

The family returns home for a snack of onion soup and the little ones are tucked in bed for the night, but only after they place big wooden shoes (instead of stockings) around the fireplace.

Parents, of course, stay up to visit

and Santa comes during the night.

Christmas day is one of the few opportunities for families to visit in France. The Boulmer house in France is large so all of his mother's family would convene there for the celebration. The meal is usually composed of turkey or oysters (or other seafood) and a dressing made with chestnuts, apples, nuts, prunes and raisins. Regular vegetables and potatoes with a special dressing complete the meal.

On New Years, there is another celebration, just as there is here.

In Germany, families eat doughnuts, drink champagne, play black magic games and tell the future for next year. They also "dress crazy" and throw confetti, says Mrs. Williams.

In France, the Boulmer family would make a big tour on the weekend to visit aunts and uncles who give the children money, something like trick and treat at our Halloween.

But whatever the differences in the language and the customs, Christmas is still the best time of the year and everyone enjoys the season.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

It's fitting to say thanks to our friends at this time and to wish one and all the bright joys of Christmas!

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JOY

We hope wonderful things happen for you this Christmas. Warm thanks to all.

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admit it is quite a distance away if you are in the habit of going regularly, but no doubt you will be pleased to know that a great number of people take their lunches along and make a day of it. They usually arrive early and stay late.

"The last time my wife and I went was six years ago, and it was so crowded we had to stand up the whole time we were there. It may interest you to know that right now, there is a supper planned to raise money to buy more seats. They're going to hold it in the basement of the B.C.

"I would like to say it pains me very much not to be able to go more regularly, but it surely is no lack of desire on my part. As we grow older, it seems to be more of an effort, particularly in cold weather.

"I you do decide to come down to our campground, perhaps I could go with you the first time you go, sit with you and introduce you to all the other folks.

"Remember, this is a friendly community."

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the Methodist Church here at 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve with the Rev. Dan Adams, pastor, officiating.

On Friday, the Methodist Youth Fellowship in Christoval will have a party at the parsonage and a manger scene at 6:30 p.m.

A candlelighting service was held at the First Presbyterian Church Sunday with a party in the basement. No special services have been planned there for this weekend.

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Dear Santa,

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- Dear Sanaclas,
Do not nock on my door.
It will be unlocked.
Bobby Patton
- Dear Santa,
I want a X wing fighter
Darthvather and a ship and
guns.
David Rodriguez
- Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a
ridio cmtroled frary race
car. And a pelet gun.
Rob Ingle
- Dear Santa,
I want a pellet gun. Santa
will you please bring my
peller gun.
Love, Ernest Espinosa
- Dear Santa,
I wish you would bring
me a big box with candy
and a present?
Love, Lupe Montovo
- Dear Santa,
How are you doing? will
you get me some shoes.
Your friend,
Timothy Whiddon
- Dear Santa,
How are you I am just
find I wish you could give
me a barbie doll set.
Love, Annette Barajas
- Dear Santa,
I am ready for Christmas
I have some gifts under my
tree. I like Christmas very
much.
Love, Tammy Dacy
- Dear Santa,
I want a real gun and doll
and western cloth's and
that will be all.
Amy Key
- Dere Santa,
I Love you wish you
happe christmas and Ray
thaks your not real but i do
Jan Edmiston
- Dear St. Nick,
I want a thousand Dol-
lers in cash. I want trumet
and a Mr. Quarterback.
Clint Griffin
- Dear Santa,
How cold it is? Do your
elfes work hard? Please
bring Jan a eracer o.k.
Love, Jason Charboneau
- Dear Santa,
I hope your bringing me
a hole lot of prastunt.
Your friend, Sherri Field
- Dear Mr. Kringle,
I want a head of a doll.
You no so I can put makeup
on it.
Yours truly, Kelly S quyres
- Dear Santa claus,
I want a dirt bike. I want
skate board gear. I want a
now foot ball. I want a foot
ball suit. I want a deer
gone. I want a mushy gon. I
want a now truk. I want a
star war set.
Love, Neal Edmiston
- Dear Santa Claus,
Well you give me a
checkers game Santa and a
pack of pelets.
Merry Christmas
Juan Chavez
- Dear Santa Claus,
I want a B.B. Gun for my
Chritmas Gift.
Merry Christmas
Marco Martinez
- Dear Santa Claus,
I want some shorts and
some pants. can you bring
e big present. can you
g a boton and some
books.
Merry Christmas
Juanita Reyes
- Dear Santa claus,
I want a dirt bike and a 22
riful and a skate brod and a
joke book and a toy cars and
a new trak and a moder car
and a new air plane and a
new mirphone and a radio.
love Mark Lipsett
Merry Christmas
- Dear Santa Claus,
Santa I want a football I
moved and a gun and a play
cars and some board
cherker and a star wars.
Merry Christmas,
Guillermo Gonzales
- Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Football for
Christmas and a feshing
rod to and some trucks and
cars and watetalky to
Merry Chritmas
Love, David Esquivel
- Dear Santa,
Here is one of the thing I
want most of all a puppy or
clothes.
Amy Jane Arebalo
- Dear, Santa
I want a play machine
gun, and army suit.
Love, Todd C. Edmiston
- Dear Santa,
I want a star wars deth
star stashon and a X-wing
fighter. Merry Christmas
Santa.
Love, Ray Pfluger
- Dare Santa,
I want a big box with lots
of candy and appls.
David Regaldo
- Dear Santa Claus,
I want you to being me
some walky talkes for
Christmas and I also want a
doll. And I'm not mean to
my sister.
Merry Christmas
Love, Chris Aguilar
- Dear Santa Claus,
I want a ply shot gun that
has a play tele scope,
Mery Christmas
Love, Fred Robles
- Dear Santa Claus,
Will you bring me a Tyco
race track and a tabbet?
Because I have been pretty
good. Bring me a carger for
my race car set. My Mom &
Dad have been good to and
they dizerv a very good
presents to. please bring
Them a good preset. I
would like a camara please.
Merry Chritsam
love, Teresa Williams
- Dear Santa Claus,
Santa I want a doll and 5
presents for my famly and
my brother wants to be a
airplane man and my other
bother want's a plan and
my mother and father
want's a suprize. Ho Ho Ho
I forgot something I been
good.
Merry Christmas
Love, Olivia Torrez
- Dear Santa Clause,
I want a horn for my bike.
I also want some pro foot-
ball pencils. I would like a
Dallas Cowboy trash can. It
would be nice to have a blip
game. And a bonkers
game. I need some green
and white warmups. I've
been fairly good.
Merry Christmas
Love, Staci Helmers
- Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll and jeans
(dark) a ring, a suit a shirt
and gogoboots a brown
jumpsuit (light).
Merry Christmas
Love Amy Kotsch
- Dear Santa Claus,
I want a wonder woman
suit i've been a good girl
and i'm 9 years old
Merry Christmas
Love, Geraldine
- Dear Santa Caus,
I want a play B.B. gun
with scope. I want a babby
brother to. Thank you Santa
claus.
Merry Christmas.
Love, Scott Robinson
- Dear Santa Claus,
I wish you could come at
Christmas day. wish I can
have a fir cote and hat and
gloves.
Merry Christmas,
Love, Wendi Dunagan

We Wish You a Merry Christmas

and a Happy New Year!



Glad voices
ring out in harmony
and joy as we greet
this most glorious of seasons! We join our good
friends and neighbors in singing a carol of peace
and goodwill...love and tranquility...and wish them
an inspired and blessed Christmas.

From the staff at the

Schleicher County
LEADER

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For The Record

In an obituary in last week's edition of the Schleicher County Leader, the name of a survivor was omitted.

Survivors of the late Reuben Oran Reynolds are three sisters, Lottie Reynolds of Lowake, Bessie Westbrook and Auta Mae

Bradshaw, both of Christoval and a brother, Frank Reynolds of Christoval and several nieces and nephews.

The Leader regrets the mistake and apologizes for any embarrassment or misunderstanding it may have caused.



As men walk hand in hand let us offer thanks for the promise of Peace on Earth. Your patronage is greatly appreciated.

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Candles, Lights Are Possible Fire Hazards During Holidays

'Tis the season for trees, candles and lights — all potential fire hazards when they're set up inside a home or business. And because of this, every year the holiday season brings sadness to those who lose lives and property.

To avoid having your holiday season go up in smoke, The Texas Insurance Information Center

(TIIC) of the Insurance Information Institute offers these fire safety tips:

- When setting up a tree, place the trunk in a solution of water and sugar. Add water daily to prolong its life.
- If you buy a flocked tree, make sure the flocking is fame retardant.
- Keep the tree away from fireplaces, radiators

and heaters.

— Place the tree so that its lights can be turned on the off from a switch located away from the tree.

— Check tree lights and outdoor lights for frayed wires, loose connections, broken or cracked sockets and spots where bare wire is exposed. Use only lights that have been checked for safety by Underwriters Laboratories or other approved testing lab.

— Never use lights on a metallic tree: they can cause a tree to be charged with electricity.

— Lighted candles should not be used on trees or near evergreens.

— Use nonflammable holders for decorative candles.

— Do not connect too

many light strings on one circuit or overload electrical outlets. Overloaded wiring can cause a fire.

— Check to make sure Christmas tree needles near the lights haven't turned brown. If they have, the lights should be moved.

— Check labels of lights to be used outdoors to make sure they are made for outdoor use. Never use indoor lights outside because they are not made to withstand bad weather.

— When you leave the house for any length of time, turn off the tree lights.

Festival Helps Rectory Fund

The Mexican dinner, bingo and raffle held by Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church was a big success and boosted the church's rectory fund by about \$1,000.

According to the Rev. Mark Woodruff, pastor, church members have collected \$12,680.13 toward an overall goal of \$30,000. The church has applied

for a grant from the Catholic Church Extension Society which helped found the original church here in the 1920's and purchased the church building.

"We were most pleased and most gratified by the attendance," said Rev. Woodruff who added there was standing room only at the bingo.

Home Front News

Mary Palmer is in St. John's Hospital after suffering a heart attack last week. She is reported to be doing better.

Sammy Santellano and Joaquin Rojas remain in Brooks Army Hospital recovering from burns they received in an oil field

accident. They have received skin grafts on their hands and are now able to walk around the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Finlay of Brady were visitors at the home of Mrs. F.M. Bradley Sunday. Finlay is Mrs. Bradley's nephew.

Mrs. Robert Frost and her grandsons, Aaron and Steven Shewbart were shopping in San Antonio Saturday. They returned home Sunday.

The Leader welcomes any home front news. It can be called into the office at 853-2032 or dropped by the Leader office.

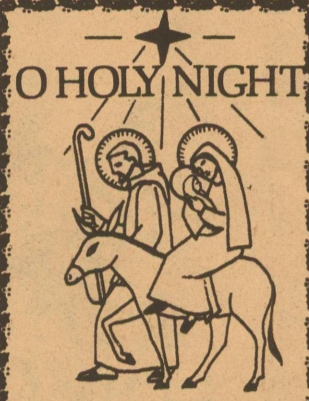
Alien Reports Are Due Soon

Richard M. Casillas of the San Antonio Immigration and Naturalization Service has again reminded all aliens to report their addresses during January.

Cards with which to make the reports are available at Post Offices and offices of the Immigration and Naturalization Service throughout the country. The reports must have a 15c stamp affixed to the card.

Parents of guardians are required to submit reports for alien children under 14 years of age.

Mr. Richard M. Casillas urges all aliens to report before the end of January, as willful failure to do so may lead to serious penalties.



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By STASSI DONALDSON

The Eldorado High School student body elected Mr. and Mrs. Eldorado High School. The winners were Angie and Larry Fay. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Tony Fay.

FHA Members Keeping Busy

The Future Homemakers of America have been quite busy during the last month. The members questioned a panel of women on marriage and dating. The women were Patsy Terry, Kathy Grimsrud, Nancy Page, and Carla Colquitt, a student at Angelo State University.

The FHA held a Christmas party at the nursing home last week. They sang carols and gave gifts to their adopted grandparents.

They also had a concession stand to replenish the chapter's funds.

In January, the group is planning a buzz session. Everyone is urged to attend.

Scout Pack 18 Conducts Party

Cub Scout Pack 18 held its Christmas party at 4 p.m. Tuesday in the Corral Room of the Memorial Building.

The boys began the party by saying the pledge of allegiance and the Cub Scout Promise. The scouts played games, sang songs and did cub scout yells then exchanged gifts and received gifts from their den leaders.

The tree was furnished by Den 3 and was decorated with decorations made by scouts during regular meetings.

There will be a basketball game at 1:30 p.m. today. Students will be able to attend and the admission will be fifty cents each. Everyone is urged to come out and support the Eagle teams.

School will be dismissed Friday at 2:30 p.m. for the holidays.

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CHRISTOVAL ★ News and Views

Nursing Home News

Opal Joiner in out of the hospital and doing fine.

The El Concho Study Club hosted the annual Christmas party. Songs and Christmas carols were played by Chicken Jones. Robes were given to each resident of the home. The robes were a joint project of El Concho Study Club, Golden Years Auxiliary and several ladies in Christoval who donated their time, material and love in making the robes.

Every one enjoyed the Christmas cookies and punch.

First Baptist Church Sunday School Classes, preschool through fifth grade sang for the residents. The children were from Mrs. Edward McDonald Jr., Mrs. Alton Callihan and Mrs. Harvey Turnbow's classes.

Mrs. Tate visited with daughter, Mrs. Dee Wilson, over the weekend in San Angelo.

Edna Mayfield, Pat Burke and Charlie Logan each received birthday cards from President and Mrs. Carter.

Frank James is back home after a short stay in the hospital.

Dorothy Dickinson baked a cake for the residents, who enjoyed the treat.

The Western Swingers from San Angelo entertained everyone here Monday night with their beautiful selections. Lots of toe tapping music.

Bingo winners last week were: Pat Burke, Edna Mayfield, Emma Derr and Lois Stewart.

Mr. Barnes' brother passed away and he attended the funeral.

Mrs. Haggard's daughter visited with her.

J. W. Henson visited with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Rodden visited his parents, Floyd and Maggie Rodden.

VIEWPOINT

Christmas Mysteries Are Given By Christoval Kindergarten Class

This weeks Viewpoint is an in depth interview with Ms. Wattisperger's kindergarten class in Christoval on the mysteries of Christmas. There were 22 children present for this view of Christmas through their eyes.

Misty Coates says Santa

lives in a great big pink house with his wife who is a skinny lady with white hair and a red dress. Also living there are some elf girls and boys. Rudolph has a red nose so he can help people.

Maria Reyna believes Santa's house is a big blue one and that he lives with his mama and daddy, some friends, a baby and a brother. His house guests also include Rudolph and the elves. His wife looks like me (Sunshine) according to Maria. (Bless her heart) Rudolph's nose is red, "Cause he's a reindeer of course."

Amy Montalvo says Santa's house is a big red one and he and Mrs. Santa live alone. Mrs. Santa is a skinny lady with green hair. Rudolph lives in the woods and his nose is red because he fell down and skinned it.

Jamie Pond says the house of the Santa's is big and pink. Some elves live there too. Rudolph lives with his parents in a cave and has a red nose because he was born that way.

Dusty Barton knows the "real" story. He says Santa's house is a big red one. Mr. and Mrs. Santa live there with the elves. Mrs. Santa is fat with blonde hair. The nose of poor Rudolph is red "cause Santa wanted it that way."

Daylynn Pitts supposes Santa and Mrs. Santa's house is red and big and Mrs. Santa is fat with white hair. The elves live in the toy shop.

Mirrisa Couvion says the house is a small red one and Mr. and Mrs. Santa along with the elves and Rudolph all live there. Mrs. Santa smiles a lot and is wearing a red dress and is fat with white hair.

Janet King believes the house is a big red one and Santa, Mrs. Santa, the elves, and Rudolph all reside there. Mrs. Santa is dressed like Mr. Santa and Rudolph's nose is red because it was made that way.

Kara Kacal knows it is a big red brick house. Mr. and Mrs. Santa and the elves live there, but Rudolph lives with his mom and dad. Rudolph's mom gave him a red nose "cause she liked that color." Mrs. Santa wears a red dress and is fat with white hair.

Angel Marie Riojas says Santa lives in a big purple house with Mrs. Santa, the elves and Rudolph who has a red nose "cause he's Rudolph."

Hank (Buzzy) Turnbo says it's just a big white snowy looking house with Santa and his mom. The helpers live in the woods. Santa's mom wears a red dress with a little bit of white on it.

Brandi Smith supposes the house is a big black and red one. Mr. and Mrs. Santa are the only residents. He doesn't know where Rudolph lives, but

the other deer don't like to play with him. Mrs. Santa is a skinny lady with glasses and a red dress.

Clint Holland says Santa and his mom (a skinny lady with white hair and a red dress) lives in a big red house along with the elves. Rudolph stays in a cave and the boys tease him.

Wendy Bradford says the house is white and that Santa still lives at home with his mother who is a lady with red hair, in fact, red all over. Rudolph lives outside and his nose is red cause he's the leader.

Sean Lenihan says the house is big, but he doesn't know what color it is. His mother lives with him and looks just like Santa except she doesn't have a beard. Rudolph lives in the snow and his nose is red because "he is the leader." The elves are allowed to stay in with Santa.

Dinky Barton says Mr. and Mrs. Santa live in a big white house while the elves and Rudolph live in a cave. Mrs. Santa is a skinny lady with brown hair and wears white cooking clothes. Rudolph's nose is red because "Sants likes it that way."

Marc Johnson thinks the house is big and white and Mr. and Mrs. Santa live there. The elves live in a cave with Rudolph. Mrs. Santa wears a red dress and has brown hair and is skinny. Rudolph's nose is red because "he was born that was."

Will Arthur says the house is low on top and is red. Mr. and Mrs. Santa, Rudolph and the elves all live there. Mrs. Santa has a red dress, red hair and is fat. Rudolph's nose is red because "it grew like that."

Brady Mullins says the home is a big white one and Mr. and Mrs. Claus live there alone. Rudolph lives outside and has a red nose because he was born that way. The elves live in the work shop.

Angie McGregor knows the "whole thing." They live in the North Pole, a tall skinny one that stands in the ground. Santa's wife "don't have no whiskers." The elves also live in the Pole home, but Rudolph

Glen Clark Birthday Honoree

Glen Clark was treated to a 68th birthday party Thursday night at Zentner's Daughter Steak House, by his daughter and son-in-law, Carol and Bob Majors.

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Recipe Roundup

By LIZ CLARK

TOMATO SALAD DRESSING

- 1 can tomato soup
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 1/4 cup salad oil
- 2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. dry mustard
- Dash paprika
- 2 tbs. vinegar
- 2 tbs. Worcestershire sauce
- 2 tbs. grated onion

Mix all together with electric mixer or five minutes. Store in refrigerator and will keep for a long period of time. This is a 45 year old recipe from an old time restaurant operator.

HOT PARTY TEA

- 3/4 cup instant tea
- 3 cups Tang
- 13 oz. pkg. instant lemonade mix
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 3 tsp. ground cloves
- 3 tsp. ground cinnamon

Mix all ingredients thoroughly. Store in airtight container. Use 2 tsp. per cup of boiling water. Makes a great gift, for anyone.

School Daze

By LENISE SULLIVAN AND PAM WALTON

Last week was a slow week. There were no basketball games scheduled all week.

The seniors will be having a lot of money-making projects in the upcoming months. We will be needing lots of money. We're planning to go to Acapulco or the Bahamas. We need all the support you can give!

This week is the last week of school before dismissing for the holidays.

Tonight the high school boys and girls A teams will be playing in Miles. The B team boys will also have a game.

Those of you who ordered lamps from the senior class can expect them delivered sometime this week.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS — Myrtle Wade, seated, grins after receiving a gift and fruit basket presented to her by members of Beta Sigma Phi sorority here. BSP members with her are Barbara Jackson, Peggy Williams and Nell Edmiston. All residents of the home were presented with the baskets for Christmas.

Calendar Of Events

Today, Dec. 21 — Social security representative, 1-2:30 p.m., firehall.
Friday, Dec. 22 — School dismisses at 2:30 p.m. for Christmas holidays; MYF Christmas party and manger scene at First Methodist Church in Christoval.
Saturday, Dec. 23 — Christoval Jamboree
Sunday, Dec. 24 — Candlelight Lord's Supper, 6 p.m., First Baptist Church; Candlelighting service, First Methodist Church in Christoval, 6 p.m. and at First Methodist Church in Eldorado, 7:30 p.m.; Midnight Mass at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.
Monday, Dec. 25 — Christmas Mass at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, 10:15 a.m.
Tuesday, Dec. 26 — TOPS, 6:30 p.m., Memorial Building; Volunteer Firemen, 8 p.m., firehall.
Monday, Jan. 1 — last day of deer hunting.
Tuesday, Jan. 2 — School resumes; city council, 7:30 p.m., city hall; firemen, 8 p.m., firehall; Girl Scout leaders, 1 p.m., Memorial Building.
Wednesday, Jan. 3 — Lions Club, noon, Memorial Building; Jaycees, 8 p.m., clubhouse.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Sirs,

I enjoy the Leader. But, I wish to call your attention to the article on Mistletoe in the Dec. 14th, issue... It fails to warn people, parents in particular that Mistletoe is very poisonous, and should not be ingested.

In the book "Human Poisoning from Native & Cultivated Plants" by James W. Hardin, & Jay M. Avera M.D. Pub. 1969 by Duke Univ. Press. Quotes Gerarde's Herball, London 1597.

"Mistletoe inwardly taken is mortal and bringeth most grievous accidents, the tongue is inflamed & swolne, the mind is distraughted, the strength of the hart and wits fail."

"The berries contain toxic amines which cause acute stomach and intestinal irritation with diarrhea and slow pulse. Since Mistletoe is a favorite plant for Christmas decorations care should be taken that the berries are kept out of reach of small children."

"To the physician: Gastric levege or emesis; supportive potassium, procaimamide, quinidine sulfate, disodium salt of edetate (Na2EDTA) have all been used effectively."

In another article by Dr. Arena published in Emergency Medicine, May 1970.



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Just Talking

By NELL EDMISTON

Well, the best season of the year, Christmas, is upon us. There is nothing to beat Christmas because if you'll notice, everyone seems to have a smile on their face, even if they are pooped from shopping three days in a row. It is a magic time of the year for everyone, especially little children, because for them Christmas is nothing but excitement and suspense.

To them, a three-foot Christmas tree seems like it is nine foot tall and Sant Clause can look as big as an elephant. The decorations on the street make Eldorado look as big as Dallas to them and every child seems amazed at the Nativity Scene for some reason.

But you know how little ones are; they sometimes get their words mixed up. When we were putting up the Nativity Scene in our house, our five-year-old helped. She really floored me when she asked where the "three wise guys went."

Our two children were also impressed by the Nativity scene at the church. But afterall, it had a local flair — a family of white tail deer so pretty they could have only come from Schleicher County were standing around the manger with the camels and donkeys.

A troop of Brownie scouts came to the office on Monday afternoon and surprised us with a loud rendition of "Jingle Bells" and "We Wish You a Merry Christmas." You could tell they were ready for Santa to come!

I got to thinking I'd be more in the Christmas mood, it I could hear more Christmas carols. They are some of the prettiest music in the world and I missed hearing them each year. So, I bought two albums for myself and went to a lot of trouble to find one with "Silver Bells" on it. The third album I bought for the kids, with David Seville and the Three Chipmunks. This one also had "Silver Bells" on it. I am here to tell you that song is still one of my favorite Christmas songs, but not when it is sung by three woosy chipmunks!

But the best Christmas carol of all is "O Holy Night" because it is what Christmas is all about in the first place. Seems like a lot of us have forgotten about

the fact that this is the day Christ was born and we should keep the spirit of Christmas generosity throughout the year instead of forgetting about it on Jan. 1.

Elton McGinnes stopped by the office Tuesday morning and said he had been good for a whole week, getting ready for Christmas. He said he didn't want to "stretch the point too far." Although, he said his mother started in with "you better behave or Santa won't come" about the first of December. What mother doesn't?

The city was saddened last week by the death of Winnie Jackson. She was such a dedicated worker and volunteer. In all the years she was on the hospital board, she missed maybe two meetings, even during the time she was very ill. In fact, she attended one meeting with her leg (from which a large tumor had been removed) propped on a chair, when she had a perfectly legitimate excuse to stay at home.

People like Mrs. Jackson who devote their time to the community and service projects are what make a community successful and enjoyable to live in.

Sauer Elected To Committee

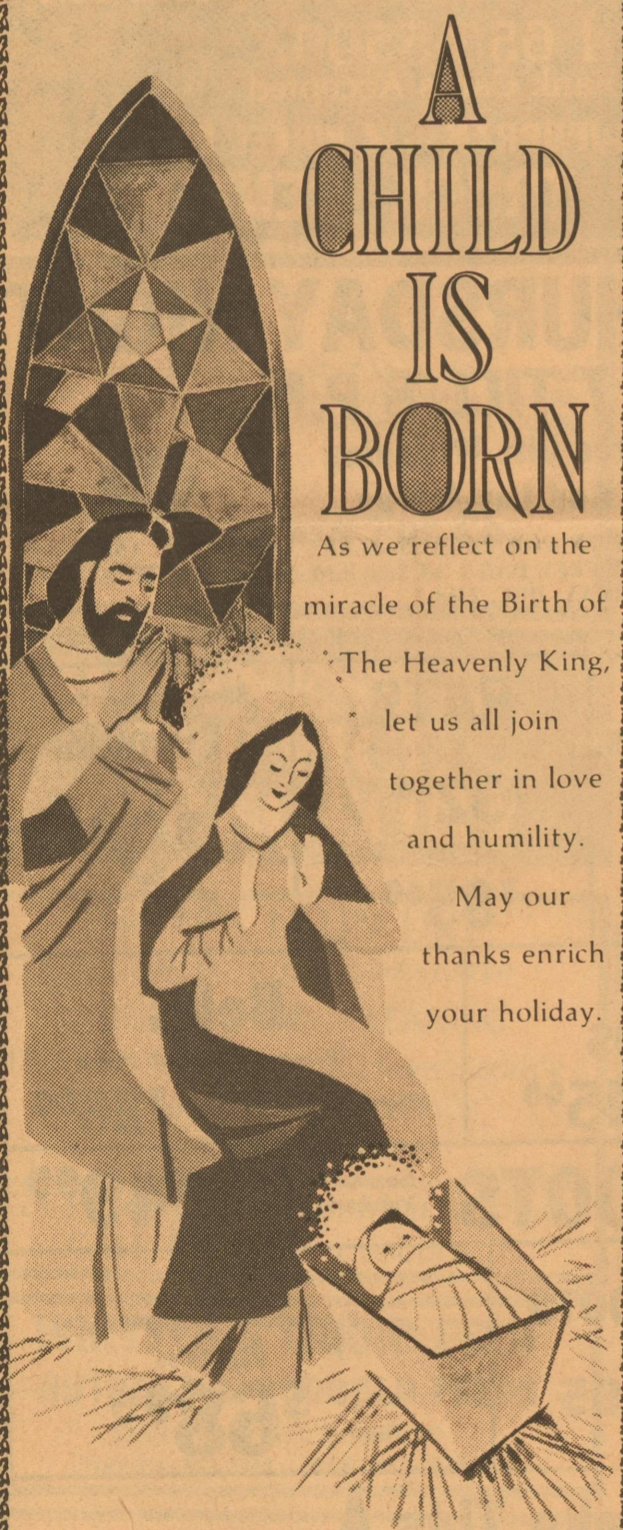
Duwan Sauer, a local farmer, was elected to the county committee of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service recently.

He will replace Billy Williams who is completing his third term on the committee.

Sauer will join Mike Moore and Clay Atkins on the committee. Bobby Sykes was elected first alternate, and Bob Page was elected second alternate.

The committee is responsible for administering all the federal farm programs in the county including programs for the wool incentive, conservation program and cotton, feed and grain and wheat programs.

The committee meets the first and third Monday of each month. During the committee's organizational meeting, Moore was elected chairman and Adkins chairman.



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