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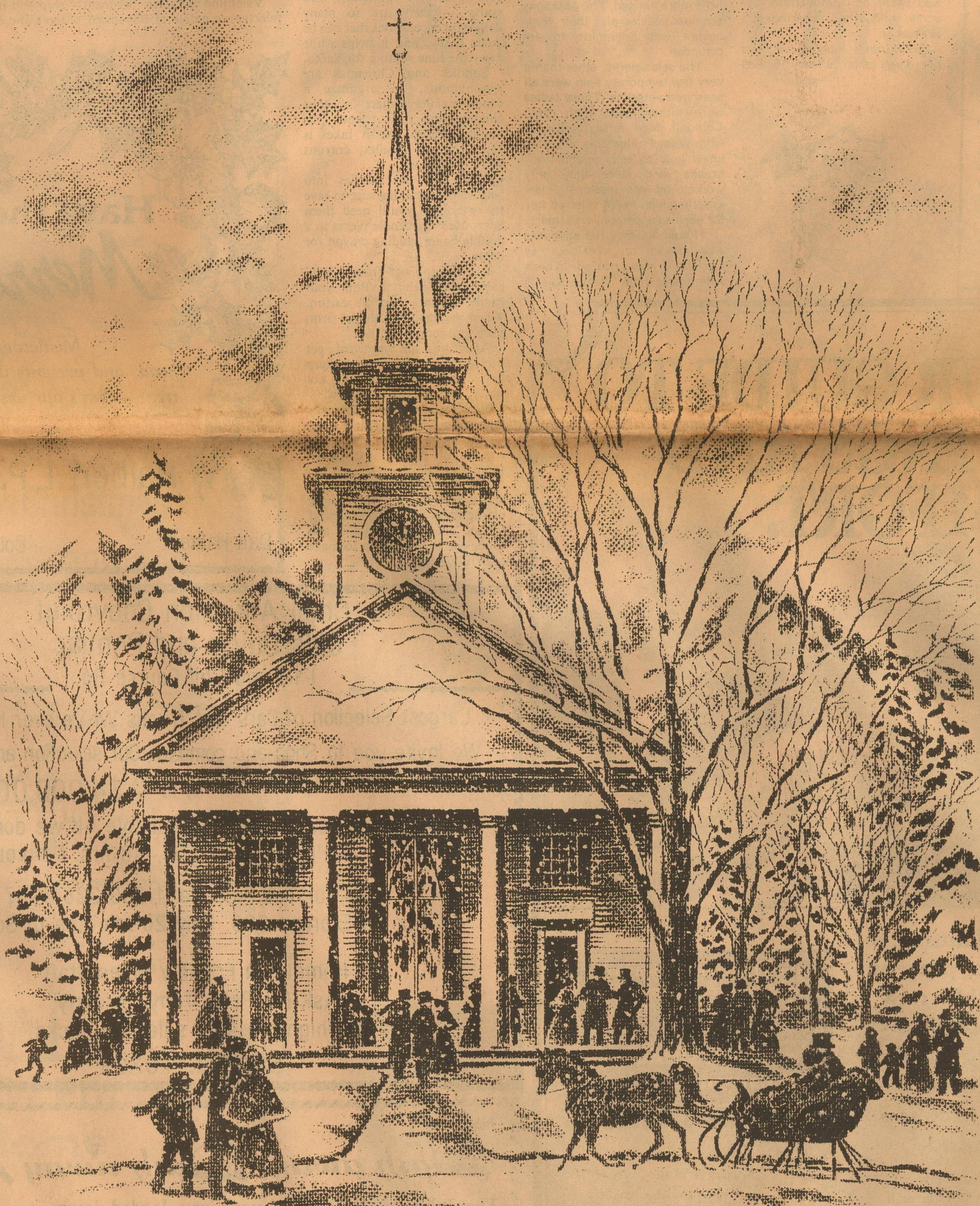
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# JOYOUS NOEL



*Although the calendar may say it's Christmas 1988, the truth is that the spirit of the season knows no limits of space and time; its joy goes beyond the years and fashions. We wish that timeless joy to you and yours!*

Remember: There will be no Thursday, December 30 issue of Eldorado Success.

SCHOOL BOARD ANNOUNCES

# BRAVO Awards go to teachers

The Schleicher County ISD board met in regular session on Monday, December 12, 1988. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Part II of the Annual Performance Re-

port which comes from TEA was presented and approved. The first BRAVO awards were presented by the board to Ginny Lamb and Christie Meador for their work with the Middle School Scream Team; to Harvey Wink for his work with the cross country teams; and to Mike Marsh and Manuel San Luis for their work with the band. The BRAVO award represents the board's expression of appreciation for service to students.

The fee for driver education was increased from \$110.00 to \$125.00. Students are required to drive one hour more, therefore increasing the cost to the district. The following teachers were advanced to level II of the teacher career ladder: Branda Barton, Christie Meador, Michael McGregor, Melonie Reynolds, Marcy Willis, Harvey Wink and Sharilyn Wink.

The remainder of the meeting was spent on administrator reports and the superintendent's evaluation.

The next meeting of the board will be on January 16, 1989

# —top of the divide—

by Thomas Giovannitti  
Many years ago, I worked for Lit Brothers, a Philadelphia department store, during the Christmas shopping season. It is probably a good idea that most retail outlets hire many college age kids to help with the extra sales during this time of year. I believe that at the age I am now, I would not want to work those hours or under the same circumstances as I did as a "floor walker" on the arcade aisle of the third largest department store in "Phill".

Since this occurred before the invention of the mall or discount stores, (that shows you how old I am) shopping in that old seven story then taking the subway home with an arm full of packages must have been some chore. The store did wrap packages free so when a customer left they felt all "Christmase" inside and out.

As a "floor walker" my main duty was to help the sales clerks at their respective booths along the arcade. We were right off the main entrance and so we saw the shoppers first and last. As the season neared the last shopping day the look on each shopper's face would become a little more harried. The packages seemed heavier and their composure was beginning to decompose.

The sales clerks, other than a very few temporary help were all seasoned veterans. These ladies were either poor Irish from Camden, New Jersey or Jewish from West Philadelphia. They all knew how to sell, seldom took breaks, and since they only worked on commissions, knew exactly which key (A lettered key for each salesperson) was theirs.

It was not only the shoppers who began to wear out as Christmas eve neared. These veterans of June "White Sales"

and Summer Clearances" would finally begin to fray at the edges themselves. If it had not been for the strong bonds of friendship built up among them over the years there might have been blood shed over a miskeyed sale or purloined purchaser.

The ladies usually made amends to each other when the doors were locked Christmas eve. The Irish ladies would give the little Jewish ladies some Chantille lace for table where they set the Menora and the Jewish ladies would get their Irish sisters sturdy canvas carry bags so the long bus trip back home would be easier. Half these ladies did not celebrate Christmas and the other half did not know about the Feast of Lights, but they all knew the value of friendship.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS!

# Holiday crafts are fun for youngsters

Christmas is the ideal time of year to involve youngsters with crafts — there are so many delightful decorations that can be made easily, and it helps while away the time waiting for Santa.

Candles and Christmas are synonymous, so organize a candle-making project for your children and their friends this holiday season. All it takes is some leftover candles, crayons and milk cartons.

Break the old candles into small pieces, making sure to save the wicks — you'll need them later. Melt the candle pieces in a double boiler, adding crayon for color.

Cut the top off from a milk carton and clean it. Pour your candle mixture into the carton. When the candle is almost firm, push in a long wick.

After wax has hardened, cut the container away with a sharp knife. Rinse the candle in hot water, smoothing out bumps.

Here's where the kids can really have some fun. Have them make fanciful designs by gluing sequins and other decorations to the candle.

Youngsters can also make decorative ornaments by covering plastic foam balls with scraps of fabric, glued on; sequins and beads can be pinned on to make colorful designs.

# PAVE PAWS honors named this week

The following 8th Missile Warning Squadron personnel were selected as the quarterly award winners for the period October through December, 1988: First Lt. Kevin Biggers, Company Grade Officer; Master Sgt. Sherman Kalfus, Senior Noncommissioned Officer; TSgt Mike Valentine, Noncommissioned Officer, and A1C Mark Hurst, Airman.

Biggers, a native of Talcott, West Virginia, is the Chief of the Operations Training Branch where he is responsible to the Director of Operations for all phases of training of the squadron's missile warning line crews. He has been in the Air Force for three years and has been assigned to the squadron since October, 1986.

Kalfus, a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, is the superintendent for operations where he assists the Director of Operations in the management of the operations branch. He has been in the Air Force for 20 years and has been assigned to the squadron since July, 1986.

Valentine (Master Sergeant selectee), a native of Beaumont,

He is NCOIC of the Standardization-Evaluation Section where he assures the proficiency of the Crew Chief position of the squadron's missile warning line crews. He has been in the Air Force for 11 years and has been assigned to the squadron since May, 1986.

Hurst, a native of Mobile, Alabama, is an operational staff assistant to the Tactical Operations branch where he assists in the overall management of the missile warning crew force. He has been in the Air Force for two years and has been assigned to the squadron since March, 1987.

The winners were chosen from representatives from each of the six branches within the squadron. The selection process included a review of each nomination package by the respective selection board plus a personal interview of each nominee which included questions concerning current events, drill and ceremony, general military knowledge, Air Force history, leadership and management, and customs and courtesies.

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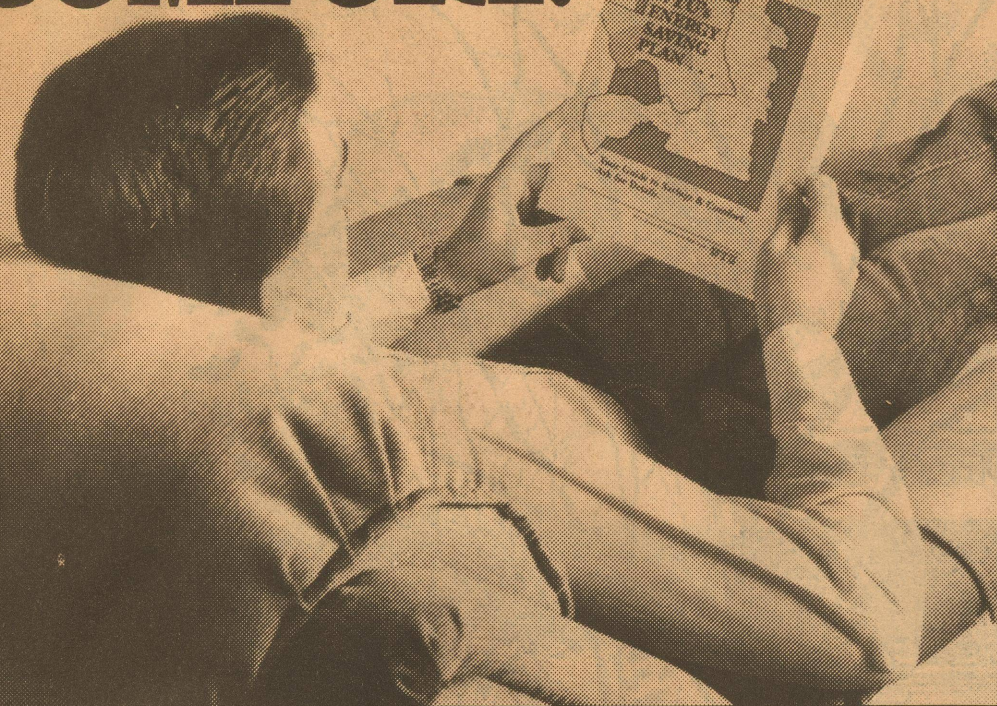
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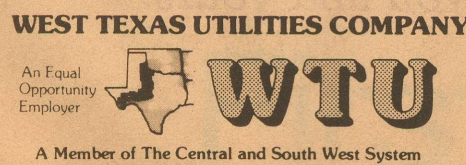
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Elementary News

Ho! Ho! Ho! - It's that time of year...the natives are restless. December and January have been and are going to be busy, busy, busy.

We would like to thank the Soil Conservation staff for providing our 4th graders with an excellent field trip and soil conservation program. A picture is worth a thousand words... A field trip and lab is worth a million.

Our UIL literary district has been formed and zoned. Our zone consists of Eldorado, Iraan-Sheffield, and Ozona! More information about contest will come in the spring.

On Tuesday the 20th the Kindergarten classes will perform a play "The Grinch That Stole Christmas" at 1:00 p.m. in

the Elementary Gym. On Wednesday the 21st the P.E. Department will have an Awards Assembly beginning at 8:45. Mrs. Nix's 3rd grade reading class will perform a play immediately following the Awards Assembly. Pre-K will have a Christmas Party at 9:30 on Wednesday.

The Volunteers In Public Schools(VIPS) worked a total of 203 hours in the elementary building during the second 6 weeks. We do appreciate all their work.

Class will dismiss on Wednesday, December 21, at 2:15. Classes will resume on January 2, 1989.

See you next year!

Big crowd greets Santa Claus

If the crowd was any indication, last Saturday's Super Santa activity sponsored by the Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce was a gigantic success.

A large crowd turned out for the event, which began with Santa's flight in from the North Pole to Eldorado Airport. There he boarded the firetruck and rode through downtown Eldorado to First National Bank.

While Santa visited with children and handed out candy, chamber president Nancy Lester announced the winners of the prizes given out by local merchants in the chamber's Christmas shopping campaign.

Winners were Roadrunner Grocery, food, Cathy Niblett; Roadrunner Grocery, watch, Cody Engdahl; Main Street Cafe, four meals, Virginia Griffin; Parkers Grocery, \$50 gift certificate, John Pitts; Casa Arispe Two, fruit basket, Diane Thunehorst; Piddlers Porch, wooden basket, Sunday Nix; Eagle Dairy Mart, \$25 gift certificate, George Gower; Kent's Automotive, \$25 gift certificate, Marie Adams; and the Hayloft, a deer whistle, Vernon Hazlewood.

Other winners included Glamourama, Christmas lamp, Helen Ledbetter; Perry's, bicycle, Jane Graham; Meyer's Grocery, \$10, Shane Dresner, \$25, Pat and Lori Wade, and \$50, Hannah Robledo; Nibletts, Toya Robledo, \$25 gift certificate; Cathy's, Elida Estrada, \$25 gift certificate; Gliddens, \$25 gift certificate, Kim et Nelson; Shot's, stocking, Jody Jones; Charlottes, \$25 gift certificate, Catina Dacy; Greenery, wreath, Rene Calcote; Helen's Hair Fashions, \$25 gift certificate, Imogene Newport; Handy Mart, \$25 gift certificate, Elida Estrada; Mc Cormicks Exxon, Romera Barraja; McCallas, gift, Whitney Edmiston; Pat's Hair Salon, cut and blow dry, Landon Nixon; Meador-Peters, \$25 gift certificate, Romero Baraja; Meador-Peters, \$25 gift certificate, Tom Giovanniti; Lynn Meador Company, Walkman radio, Blanche

West; Foxworth Galbraith, ceiling fan, Jon Calcote, boys toy, Brandon Logan, and girls toy, Hilary Hodges.

The television, donated by

the chamber, Mittel Insurance, Good News Review, GPSI, and First National Bank was won by Sylvia Arispe. Jimmy Tuberville won the \$150 gift certificate.

SS Rep. plans visit January 19

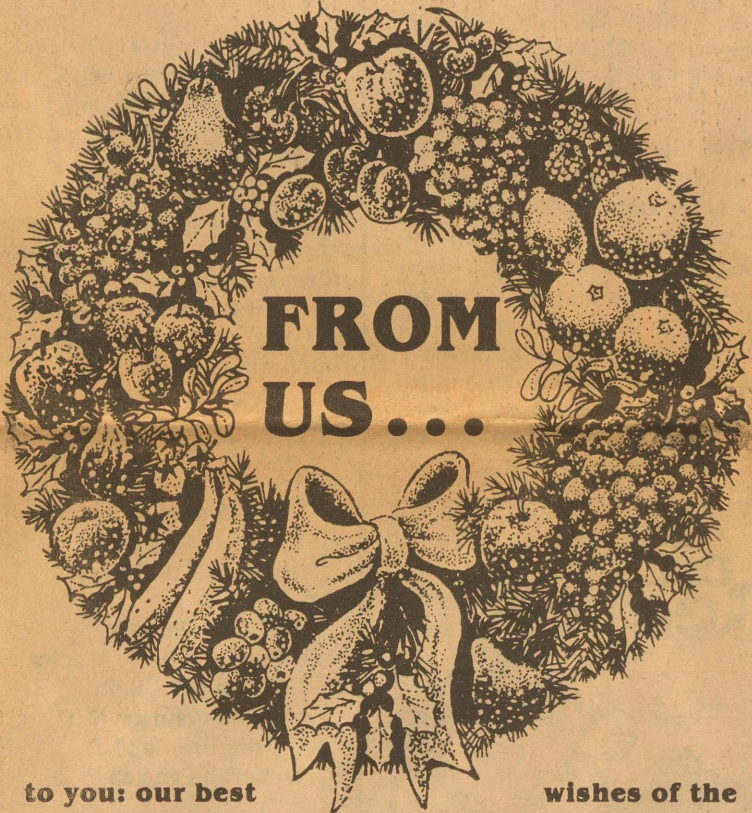
Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his January visit to Eldorado. He will be at the county courthouse on Thursday, January 19th, between 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at this time.

Letters

In 1981, President Ronald Reagan said, "that the Russian empire was evil" and showed moral courage, but later lost courage when he sign the I,N,F, treaty which gives Russian domination over Europe.

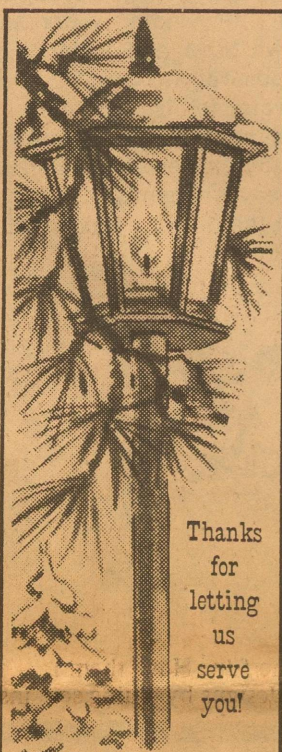
There is a way to show moral courage that is for you to undersign the demand that President Ronald Reagan issue a immediate pardon for Lyndon La Rouché and 6 co-defendants. These pardons are the way President Reagan can prove that he has not bowed down to the evil Russian empire. By Lester Dahlberg



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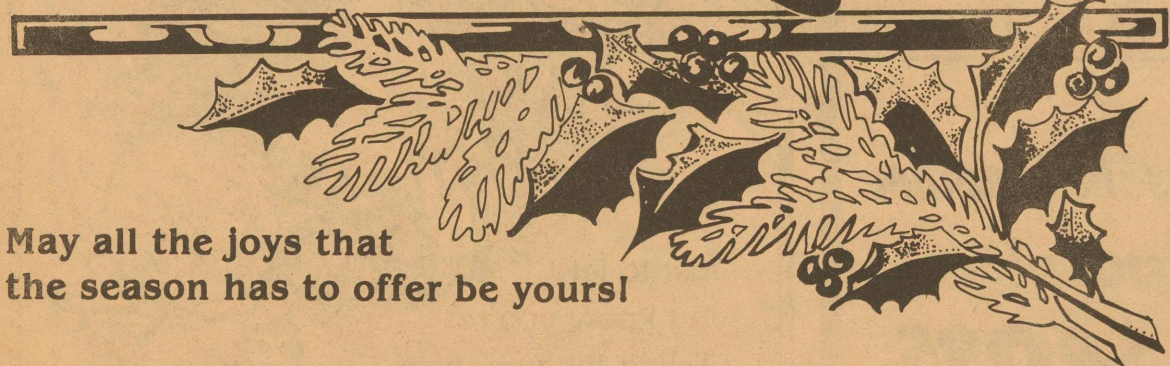


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However, during the yule season on the divide, just about anything is possible, as Kotsch found out the hard way last Friday.

Elementary school personnel

exchanged gifts at a get together last Friday and Melissa O'Harrow brought John's secret present.

When John opened the rather large box, out jumped his Barbie Doll, portrayed by Nancy Lester. It was said that John's blushing face was picked up by the PAWE PAWS radar.



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## Family Medical Clinic News and Views

**POISONING**  
By Dr. Debbie Peaslee

It is wise to use caution in your daily activities to avoid unnecessary exposure to potentially hazardous substances. Prevention is the best antidote for accidental poisoning. Almost any drug or chemical can be hazardous if too much gains entry into the body. This may occur by inhalation, absorption through the skin or eyes, or by swallowing.

General precautions include:

1. Keep all medicines, cleaning substances, agricultural supplies, and chemicals out of reach of children - preferably locked away. Put away immediately after use.
2. Purchase medicines in containers with safety caps.
3. Do not transfer toxic substances to drink bottles, glasses or jars.
4. Read safety labels and follow directions for product use. Do not use unlabeled bottles.
5. Dispose of bottles and expired products properly.
6. Protect skin and eyes when using toxic chemicals.
7. When painting, spraying, or using cleaners, ventilate area well.
8. Place poisonous household plants out of reach of children.
9. Store harmful products away from food.
10. Clean the medicine chest regularly and dispose of old medicines.

When you suspect that someone has swallowed a poisonous substance (even if you are unsure if a material is toxic) call your doctor, emergency room, or

Poison Control Center immediately. Post the numbers near your phone and teach children to call them also. Help may be reached at 1-800-441-0040 or 1-800-392-8548 24 hours daily. To best advise you, they will need to know what substance and how much has been swallowed, as well as how much time has elapsed. Often you will be told to dilute the poison by giving milk or water to drink or remove the product by inducing vomiting with syrup of ipecac, which can be purchased without prescription at any pharmacy. Always contact a doctor or Poison Center before inducing vomiting; however, as this should not be done for caustics, corrosives, or petroleum distillates, or if the person is unconscious or having convulsions.

In cases of inhaled toxins, get the victim to a well-ventilated area away from the poisonous gas. If breathing has stopped, begin artificial respiration. Take care not to expose yourself to the same poison.

Many chemicals that are poisonous to swallow or breathe are also hazardous when absorbed through the skin. Contaminated clothing should be removed, and the skin thoroughly washed with running water and then with soap and water. For eye exposure, flood with lukewarm water for 15 minutes.

It is wise to be aware of potentially dangerous substances in your environment and what to do if they are accidentally misused.

## Drug, Alcohol testing approved by City

Meeting in regular monthly meeting last Tuesday night the Eldorado City Council approved the city's personnel policy as revised to include provisions for drugs, alcohol and firearms as drafted and reviewed by county attorney Tom Giovannitti.

The new policies were approved to become effective January 1, 1989. All councilmen signed the policies and copies will be distributed to all employees for their signatures and return by January 1.

The council granted a flat water rate fee to Vivian Sanchez in exchange for her services in administering drug and alcohol testing.

The council also went into executive session to discuss personnel, returned to regular

session and discussed employee handling of complaints by members of the public. The council also lifted Jack Dean's probationary period as street superintendent and granted him an increase of \$2.27 per hour effective immediately.

In other action the council:

--Voted to give parttime employees and employees not reaching longevity \$25 Christmas bonuses this year instead of Christmas hams. The fire department will not receive hams this year because of an increase in the department's budget and other obligations.

--Read and approved the minutes, bills and reports for November.

--Received a report from superintendent Jack Dean on activities undertaken by utility employees. He said was nearing completion on the gas plant and that 57 gas leaks on both private and city lines have been detected and fixed.

--Learned from city secretary Carolyn Mayo that a sealed bid opening for tax trust properties will be held Thursday, December 15 at 9 a.m.

--Heard a report on truck parking on South Cottonwood, which is causing deterioration of the pavement.

--Discussed curbing and street and curb cleanup downtown with downtown businessman Bill Hodges.

## Christmas Program set December 24

Primera Igelsia Bautista from Eldorado, Texas will present their 1988 Christmas Program on December 24 at 7 p.m. The play is entitled "Una Noche Buena" (one Christmas Eve) under the direction and writer of Mrs. Nelda Yorba. Playing lead characters is Joe I. Sanchez, Jessica Perez, Nina Saldivar, Victor Saldivar, Sr., Chuckle Yorba and Steven Pina.

The highlight of the program is the Live Nativity scene. The walk of the angels, shepherds and the wisemen is something to behold, a spokesman said, also. We invite each and everyone to come share the true meaning of Christmas with us, a spokesman said. May God Bless each one of you. Pastor of the church is Rev. Lorenzo Silvas.

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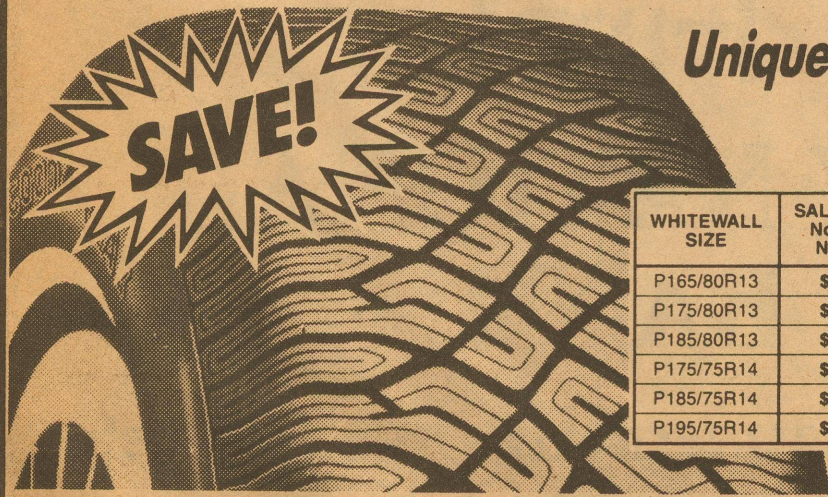
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# My Favorite Christmas Gift

**My Favorite Christmas Gift**  
With the Christmas season upon us, my thoughts go back to my childhood, to the times of Christmas past.

My family is a large and close knit family that has always enjoyed each others company. At Christmas we would all gather at my grandparents house and renew our ties with one another. I remember all of us kids sleeping on pallets on the floor, laying awake and listening to the grown-ups talk and catch up on each others lives, and in the process learning part of the family history. The funny and embarrassing stories told on each other that tend to grow with a life of their own as time goes by. I remember the smells of food that filled my grandmothers kitchen. The sound of my grandfathers voice as he led us in prayer before Christmas dinner. That special feeling I always felt when the family stood together joining hands in prayer. At those times I was always thankful to be a part of such a family.

Our family has always opened our gifts on Christmas Eve, and every year my Uncle Jon would lead us kids on a wild goose chase for Santa Claus. A noise on the roof was Santa and his sleigh, and off we would go to try and catch him in the act. We never

did, but not for a lack of trying. But miraculously, the gifts were always their under the tree on our return from the falled Santa hunt. Even when I was older and knew Santa took the form of my parents, I fell for the stories of my Uncle Jon. For that reason, for me, there will always be a Santa Claus.

When the time came for the opening of the gifts, one of the older kids or younger adults would pas out the gifts. I could hardly wait until I was old enough to be the one to hand out the gifts. It was the same for my brothers and cousins, we all talked about the day when we would be given the heavy responsibility of that task.

Another tradition in our family is the saying of "Christmas Eve gift" to someone before they say it to you. The result being that if you beat someone to the punch, they have to give you a gift. The giving of the gift has gone by the way-side, but the challenge of getting to someone first is still as keen as ever. My Uncle Hal is the supreme champion. To beat him is to accomplish something. No matter what plots are hatched or how devious the plan, it is almost impossible to beat him to the punch.

It has become a matter of honor with my oldest brother. If

he can get my Uncle Hal, he has had a good year. He has not had many of those.

Although the family has grown up and apart, and not as many can get together for Christmas like we used to, this season always makes me thankful for the kind of family I have. For me Christmas is family, and that is the best gift I have ever received or hope to receive.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
By Steve Fletcher

## Seventh graders win

Eldorado Junior High School's seventh grade girls beat Iraan, 18-17, Monday.

Scoring for EJHS were Pina, six points; Fennern, four; Mc Gregor, three; Mejia, four; Robinson, two; and Horton, six.

The eighth grade boys lost to Iraan, 19-15.

Chris Meador had 11 points, while Balderas had three.



### HIT HOLIDAYS ON WINNING NOTE

# Eagles win two more

Eldorado's Eagles won two more games this week and headed into the holiday vacation with a hefty winning mark.

Last Friday night the locals upended rival Sonora, a Class AAA school, 73-66, winning the first three periods and never looking back.

Steve Whitten led the Eagles with 22 markers, while Kotsch added 16 and Barton 15 points. Meador chipped in nine and Edmiston seven. Ramirez scored four points.

Eldorado defeated a good Water Valley team Tuesday night, 77-71, as three Eagles hit for 18 points each--Barton, Edmiston and Patton.

Kotsch added eight markers, while Whitten had six and Meador five points. Ramirez and Nolen each made two points.

Eldorado held a tight, 18-17, advantage after one period, then opened things up with a 25-13 output in the second as Patton deposited 10 of his points.

Sonora defeated the local girls, 65-43, with Martinez scoring 16 points and Hardy and Halbert seven points each. Sterling, Dacy and Sauer all had four points each, while Hender son added three.

The girls kept the game close until the fourth period when Sonora posted an 18-9 run to put the contest out of sight.

Water Valley squeaked to victory over the EHS girls Tuesday night, 42-41, despite 17 points from Hardy and nine from Martinez. Dacy notched five points, Henderson and Halbert three points each and Sterling two points.

The junior varsity girls won Tuesday, 28-17, over Water Valley. Martinez scored eight points to pace a balanced scoring attack.

Aguero had four points and Lloyd, McCormick, Martinez, Adame, Jones, Romero, Ledbetter and Trevino scored two points each.

The junior varsity boys stopped Sonora, 49-46, with Edmiston notching 15 points and Gonzales eight. Schooley added seven points, Brandenberger seven, and Vasquez five points. Espinosa scored four points, with Shaw and Harriman registering two points each.

Water Valley snuck past Eldorado Tuesday night, 50-49. Brandenberger had 14 and Edmiston 13. Espinosa scored eight and Schooley five points.



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# Best of Luck in 88-89 Eldorado Eagle Basketball Teams

High School Basketball Schedule

Middle School Basketball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME	VB	JVB	VC	JVC
Nov. 1	Robert Lee (Scrimmage)	Here	5:30			X	X
Nov. 7	Eden (Scrimmage)	There	5:00			X	X
Nov. 15	Sonora	Here	5:00	X	X	X	X
Nov. 18	Wall	Here	5:00	X	X	X	X
Nov. 22	Iraan	There	5:00	X	X	X	X
Nov. 29	Central	Here	5:00			X	X
Nov. 29	Wall	There	6:30	X	X		
Dec. 1, 2, & 3	Sonora Tourn. Reagan Cty Tourn.	There	TBA	X		X	
Dec. 6	Iraan	Here	5:00	X	X	X	X
Dec. 8, 9, 10	Iraan Tourn	There	TBA	X		X	
Dec. 13	Rankin	Here	5:00	X		X	X
Dec. 16	Sonora	There	5:00	X	X	X	X
Dec. 20	Water Valley	There	5:00	X		X	X
Jan. 3	Eden	Here	5:00	X	X	X	X
Jan. 5, 6, & 7	Lohn Tourn. Big Lake Town. McCamey	There	TBA	X	X	X	
Jan. 10*	McCamey	Here	5:00	X	X	X	
Jan. 13*	Reagan Co.	There	5:00	X	X	X	X
Jan. 17*	Forsan	There	5:00	X	X	X	
Jan. 20*	Ozona	Here	6:30	X		X	
Jan. 20 & 21	Eldorado JV Tourn.	Here	TBA		X		X
Jan. 24*	Stanton	Here	5:00	X		X	X
Jan. 27*	McCamey	There	6:30	X		X	
Jan. 27 & 28	Mertzon JV Tourn.	There	TBA		X		X
Jan. 31*	Reagan Co.	Here	5:00	X	X	X	X
Feb. 3*	Forsan	Here	5:00	X		X	X
Feb. 7*	Ozona	There	5:00	X	X	X	X
Feb. 10*	Stanton	There	5:00	X	X	X	

Date	Opponent	Place	Time	Team
Nov. 14	Sonora	GH-BT	5:00	g.G.b.B.Fg.Fb
21	Big Lake	GH-BT	5:00	g.G.b.B
28	Mertzon	T	5:00	g.G.b.B
Dec. 1-3	Ozona Tourn.	T	TBA	g.b
5	Open			
9-10	Eldorado Tourn.H		TBA	g.G.b.B
12	Open			
19	Iraan	GH-BT	5:30	g.G.b.B.Fg.Fb
Jan. 5	Open			
16	Sonora	GT-BH	5:00	g.G.b.B.Fg.Fb
23	Iraan	GT-BH	5:30	g.G.b.B.Fb
27-28	Big Lake T.	T	TBA	G.B
30	Open			
Feb. 2	Open			
6	Big Lake	GT-BH	5:00	g.G.b.B

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Southwest Texas Electric Co-op Inc.	Hayloft	Clark's Gulf
McCalla's	The Greenery	Lynn Meador Real Estate

# Letters To Santa

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you doing? I howp your are doing good. I want toys I want a piano and cameur and a fone. Love Yvonne your friend Yvonne Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
How are your reindeers? How are you doing? Are you doing good? I want a race track for Christmas. Your friend Simon Kellogg

Dear Santa Claus,  
How is Rudolph the red nose raindee doing today Sant Claus I want a gtailr and a flute your friend Ramon Adame

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a teddy bear. Star troy, doll house, crpryuter, pupey, with shoes, desk, telfone, colers, a bear that sings, chokbord, colering book, baby doll Your friend, Sonia Covarrublaz

Dear Santa,  
Hope to see you Christmas. Will you please bring me a power Nintendo set? Have a Merry Christmas. Will you please bring me a trampoline? Are you tired from working. If your wounding I live on the Biglake Highway. Tell Mrs. Santa hi! Feed the rain deer good! Espcially Rudolph, I will lay some cookies and milk out. Be sure you land on the ground Not the roof. The End

Love Jason Richters,

P.S. Merry Christmas!

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a teluscop and a mirosocop please. Love Sarah Mankin P.S. Can you please bring my brother J.L. a fire whisle

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are your raindeers? How are you? Can you bring a prez? I wot a rodot? I wot a rille horse? Your friend Gene Rojas

Dear Santa,  
how are you and Mrs. Santa I hope yoll are doing fine. Oh and how are the Elvs doing I hope ol of yoll are doing fine to. I just rote to see how is it over there well over here they cep saing in the news that it was going to snow but it hasint. Well I hope its snowing at the north pole. Well thats ol I haf to say Oh and we miss you Your friend Veronica.

Dear Santa,  
I miss you Santa. Feed the reindeer goods espocially Rudolph. have a Merry christmas. Santa ,Please Brling a Playdough machine. Merry Christmas Jennah

Dear Sannta,  
I want a terbow hoper and a game the Intindow a tape called doubled jragen and the gun want go to duck hunt. Anthony Plna

Dear Santa,  
how are you doing I'm doing fine. Sorry I haven't wrote a Chistmas list. Santa bring me sone gifts any way Is Rudolph going to be leading your sleigh? Try not to make a mess like you did in the year of 1986. Your pal and good friend, Collier.

Dear Santa,  
This year for christmas I would like a My Buddy doll. I would also like a doll of you! And I also would like you to grant a wish.

Me and my dad will make you some cookies. We will make Sugar cookies. I also would like it to snow! hope you dont get sick for christmas! Love Holly Holsey

Dear Santa Claus,  
Heps bring me a baots.hlps come to my house Santa Claus. I Love Santa Claus becas He bring toys. I Like Christmas and prest Jessie Romo

Dear Santa Claus  
I hope I have been good this year. This year I want a boglin, Micro Machines, remote control car, and a G.I.Joe tiger force Helicopter, please thank you very much!!! Love Dusty Forrest Nolen

Dear Santa Claus,  
For Christmas I want a G.I. Joe, and a puppy in a cage, and C.o.p.s. and log arm and a fire engine. Love Luiz Martinez

Dear Santa,  
I'm fine how are you. I'm glad Christmas is coming. I would like to know what it looks like at the northpole. I'm writing this letter from school. Are your elves working hard enough. How is Roudth. Wer'e going to my Papa's and Nanny's house and were going to my Granny's house for Christmas. I't is fine down here how is it at the northpole. Santa I belive in you and I love you. I remembr that I saw you at the party. I want a casio keyboard P.S. Katey

Dear Santa Claus  
How are you Santa Claus. I have some toys that I have last Christmas that I like. How is Rudotph the rednose. I want a peano for Christmas and a comeper and a telfon. Love Santa Claus Penny Bryant

Dear Santa,  
I would like a trantsfoner for cristmas and agi Joe. Pleace give me a rabbit, OK. Mery Christmas Tony sandate

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I wante a bicke for me and a two storeyed hosae and a wich, wrmctrelear, new bk shoes hithopes. And a big bed and a Vecr. Merry Christmas Daniel Sanchez

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a waterbed, for Christmas, and some barbeses, I Love you're name Merry Christmas Santa Claus April, Fuentes

Dear Santa,  
I want some shoes for Christmas. And I want a dress for Christmas. Love Andrea Aguilar

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a transformer and a little robot and a radeo. Dear Santa how was Miss Clouth. Marcellino Martinez

Dear Santa  
For Christmas I would like a new whah, clothes, and a pear of shoes. merry cristmas Du Criswell

Dear Santa Claus,  
For Christmas I want some present. Santa I want some Barbies and My Little Ponys. Miss Claus will you give me some Barble and the Rockers. Merry Christmas to you Yadira Iglesias

Dear Santa Claus,  
For Christmas I would like a monk rho car, and a intindo for Christmas, and a tint, and a crad pool set Love Jaime Robles

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a big moonetrowe bigfoot and a new cap. Merry Chrstmas Santa, Bobby Newton

Dear Santa,  
I want a mockuntro for Christmas And i would like a rack track for Christmas. and i would like to get My Mom and Dad something. for Christmas, and i would like to get my brother something for Chlistmas. Adrian Chalambaga

Dear Santa,  
I want Calafarny Dream Barbie safff'in shop, and a roller racer, and a bike, and kenners baking mikrwave, and dolly surprise, and clothes. Love Melissa

Dear Santa,  
How are your doing santa how is Mrs. santa doing? How are your elves doing? How are your rain deer doing? How is your toy shop doing? Are you ready for christmas this year. Your friend, Andrew

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I won't a gocart and a bike, Intindow and a tape with the Intindow the name is duckhunt and a other tape It's name is top gun and a gun with the Intindow. Now I want a play snake and a big play deer. Thin I want a Texas Tech shirt with a tt on the front that says Texas Tech on the front of it In the back I want the man on the back. Love Chad Merry Christmas from Chad

Dear Santa Claus,  
For Christmas I what a new whach and a new bike, and some cloths, and a pear of shoes, and some toys and a little money, and a pet dog and a cat. Love, Your Steven Brown

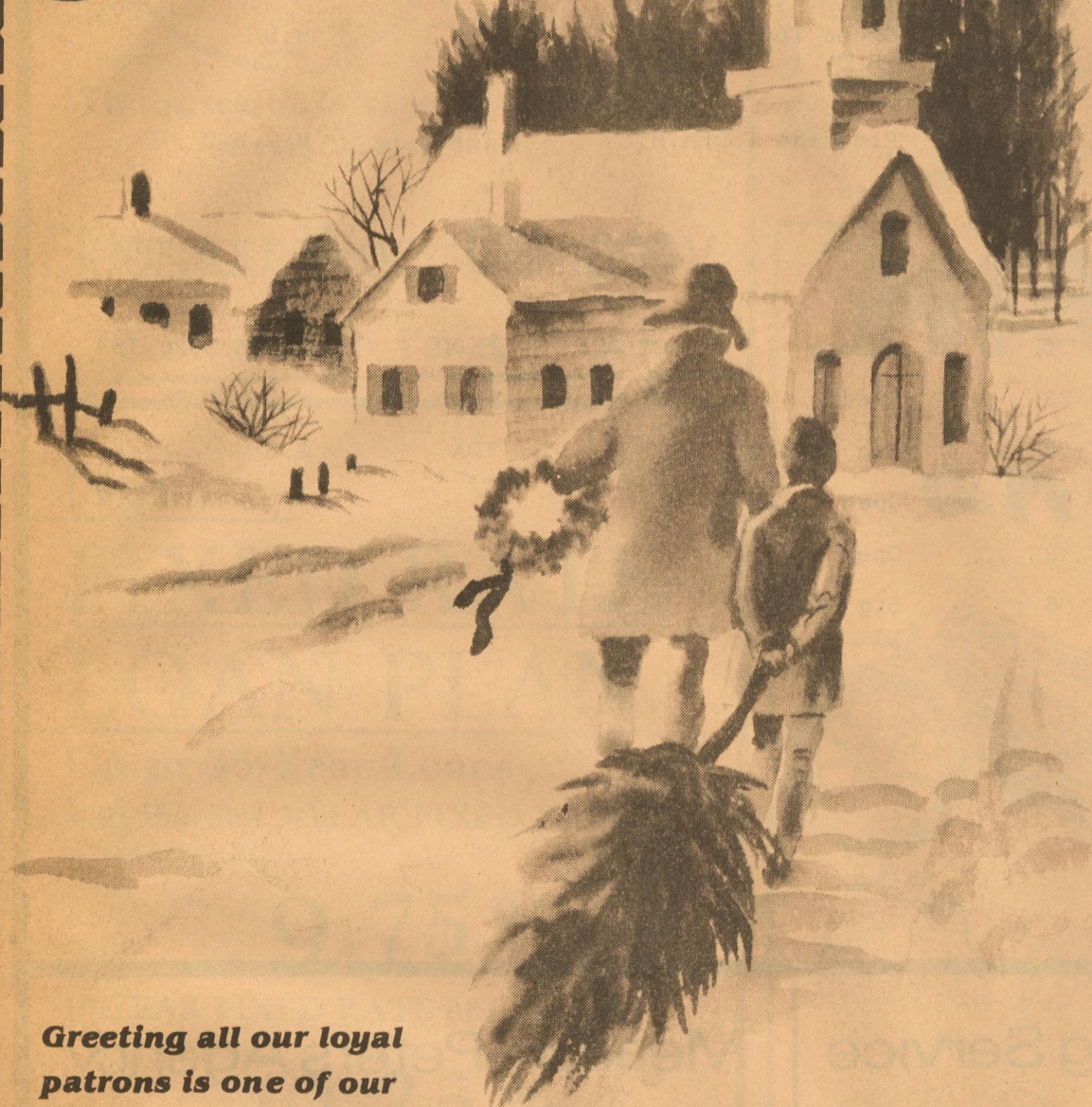
Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a puppy, in a cage, and C.O.P.S. with a robot dog with a sirln on it. And a sockerball. And a ballleball. Love Michael Mayo

Dear Sant Claus,  
For christmas I want a remotkuntro car, sega, blke bebe gun, with a telascope, shoes,. How are you Santa Claus. I love you Santa Claus. from Joe Martinez

Dear Santa,  
This year I want clothes, chanple,drush,cupur, camer, pools. I go to my gramrama they I go to gramrama. Love, Jennifer San Miguel

Dear Santa,  
I want Birbls for Christmas and some more new cothers, and shirt with sklrts. Merry Chrmas Love Levona Lloyd

## A Holiday TRADITION



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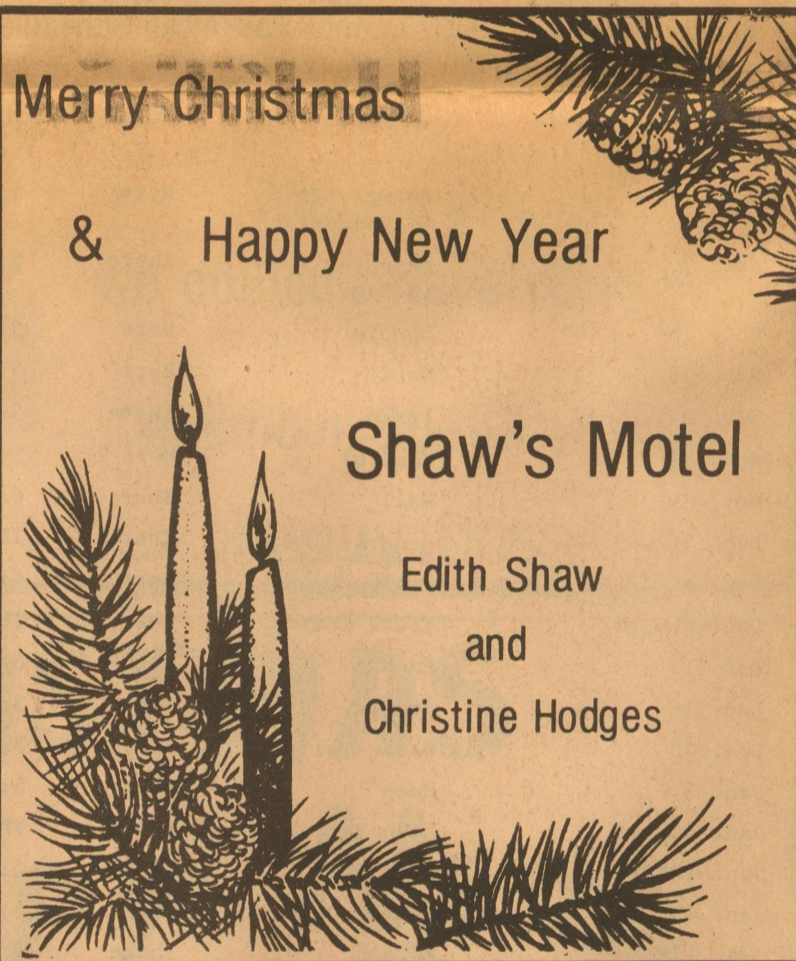
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### The Greenery

# Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,

I want a nintendo and a dino rider and a paint set. And say hi to Mrs. Claus, P.S and a nc turbo hoper  
Your pal,  
Marcos

Dear Santa,

How are your doing. I want a new bick. I hop you bring that game. I want a skate bord. And a gift sortifick ove a thouson dollers. And a wat set. And a llight for my bick  
Your pal  
Chris

Dear Santa,

How are you. Do you have the toys made yet. Well will you bring me a rabbit for xmas. And a hores And a doll that looks like a clown. Can I have a doll of Mrs. Claus. I hope thar want be a snow storm in the north pole.  
Love,  
Rachel

Dear Santa,

I would like to go to the north pole. Becaus I never went there, and when you wold take me I code ride your slae! I code see all the elvs and even meet them! And meet Mrs. Claus too! I code see all the raindeers too!  
love, Katle

Dear Santa,

Waet I would like to have for Crimasis a reamot cntrol care and how is Rudough and how are The Elfs doing a how are You doing and Mrs. Claus doing are cheking your list and gona foundout hoo ls note are nice.  
Yor friend  
Whit

Dear Santa Claus,

I would lick to get sum tows. I want to get a car and a truck and a bike and a arpln. And I will leth you saum cuces. And I will leth yor wrandeers. sum carwit.  
Your friend,  
Desi Badillo

Santa Claus,

How are your randess? How are you? How are your elfs? How are MIs Sant Claus? You must be yuning wenman going to ask wen I am goin to ask for toys I wont a bow and aro and a toy car and toy jet and a toy truck your friend  
Bobby Adame

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you? And I want a Ral inau anb I Want a nif anb a Rian deer. form you. Anb I like you. Anb my friend Louls want a toy Bigfoot.  
Love,  
Jesse Joe G,

Dear Santa Claus,

I would have thees thing. Scooter, roller racer, football, 3 guns cool glasses, toy jet, hit stix, scate bord, 2 moter cars with no string My friend gets a bigfoot  
your friend name  
Louis Santellano

Dear Santa,

Santa is so good to me. I want a bike for Chirstems Santa. Santa last year you gave me a doll for Chirstems. I liked it. It was so good Santa. I thank of you evere day. You are so nice to me Santa. I like all the things you have got me.  
Your friend,  
Catherine

Dear Santa Claus,

I ll go ahead and tell you what I want. I want a pony, some, christmas pins, a bldr, Shera and He man, a cat, a gun, tv in my room, radio. Ho, Ho, Ho, and here I come  
Love,  
Misty Harris

Dear Santa Claus,

When Christmas comes I want to see you and If my kittins are in you can hold them they are soft and coudly to hold. I hope you bring me a bike. Last time dad got to see you but I didn't so this Christmas I want to see you, Last year I did not get to say thank you and now I'm going to say it thank you and a Merry Christmas to you.

I hope you have a Merry Christmas  
Your friend  
Ashley Finley

Dear Santa Claus,

Haow aer you doing Sant Clau, Haow aer the rainDeers. Aer you going to my house. Aer you gonig to take us toys. Santa Claus. I Love you Santa Claus and I Than you. for evething Santa Claus  
Your frinds,  
Name is Sandra Im thra with the lettr good bye Santa Claus.  
Sandra Torres

Dear Santa,

I want you to come to my house. On Crismas eav. I want you to come with a sack of toys. on your back. And I want a fashin star filley. And a dickshonery. For Chrimas. Come threo the front door. I have a spriz for you it will be on a table with milk and cookies. I will be in bead a sleep.  
with a dog.  
Love  
Holly Mankin

Dear Santa,

Please come to our house on chirstmas. We will have cookies and milk waiting there. Bring some presints for us to play with. And watch it when you come down the chimenys you might get strck there. So be carful.  
Your friend  
Angela

Dear Santa,

Santa, I like christmas becaus wel have fun. Christmas is my favrit day of the year. The christmas tree is very pretty. I like christmas because we get presants.  
Your friend,  
Tony

Dear Santa Hi!

For Christmes I want a boy daddy doll. For my 2 sisters I want some brabl dolls. For my big mean brother a big big kind hart. For all of us a new color TV and Intendo, trampoline For mom and Gene a white Chlstrmas and no car trouble. You don't need to by me everything by santa by something  
Carla Ann Ruiz

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a mokarrol dot and I want a awake toke and I like you Santa My frind ls Santa Claus, My frined ls jime!  
Larry Nicholson

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the bycicle last year. This year I want Miss Makup and the washeble Cabege Patch you forgot last year. Give your elves a kiss for me. If they can tell them to make a Santa Claus doll for me. I also want a talking paret.  
Your pal,  
Audrey Lynne Day



## OUR BEST WISHES

Hope your holiday stocking is stuffed with everything nice!  
Greetings from the staff of  
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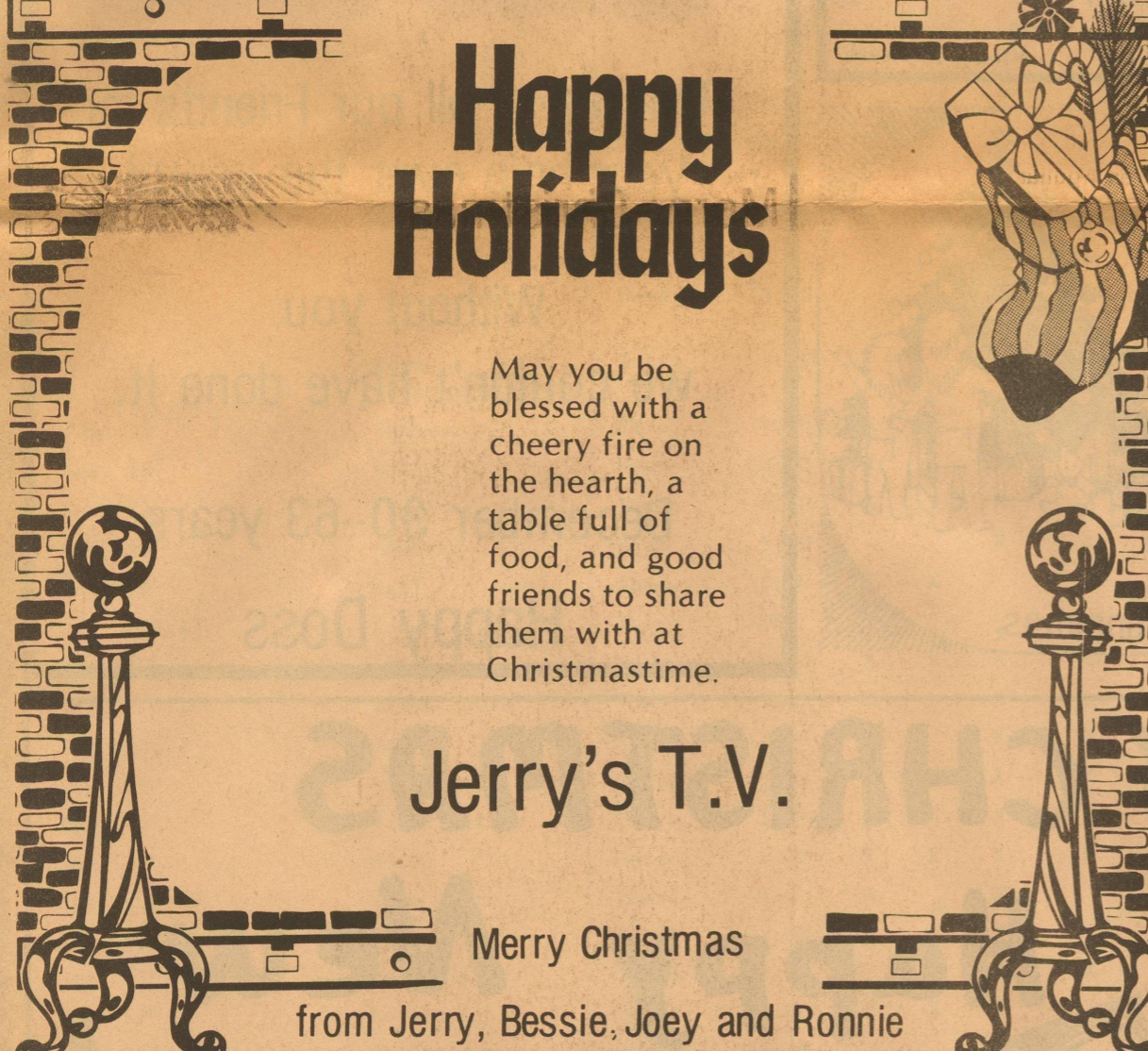
## New Hours

### Charlotte's Hair Shop

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Wednesday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.



# Happy Holidays

May you be blessed with a cheery fire on the hearth, a table full of food, and good friends to share them with at Christmastime.

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## OLD-TIME CHRISTMAS WISHES

Here's a nostalgic greeting that's still in style: Happy holidays!  
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# IT'S CHRISTMAS



As Santa makes his rounds, we'll be wishing you the best of the season!  
We'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for your patronage. It's always a pleasure to serve you.

We will close at 3:30 p.m. Saturday,  
December 24 and December 31,

## FOOD CENTER

# school — Hospital Board has menu — regular meeting

**Monday, January 2nd**  
Chalupas  
Spanish Rice  
Lettuce & Tomato Salad  
Pineapple Chunks  
White Cake/Icing

**Tuesday, January 3rd**  
Fish Nuggets  
Macaroni & Cheese  
English Peas  
Applesauce  
Orange Cake/Icing

**Wednesday, January 4th**  
Spaghetti & Meatsauce  
Whole Kernel Corn  
Sliced Peaches  
Sugar Cookies

**Thursday, January 5th**  
Barbecued Chicken  
Pinto Beans  
Potato Salad  
Cherry Cobbler

**Friday, January 6th**  
Hamburgers  
Potato Chlps  
Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles  
Banana Pudding

**BREAKFAST**

**Monday, January 2nd**  
Peaches  
Pancakes-Syrup

**Tuesday, January 3rd**  
Prunes  
Buttered Rice-Toast

**Wednesday, January 4th**  
Apple Juice  
Cinnamon Rolls

**Thursday, January 5th**  
Orange Juice  
Hot Biscuits-Sausage-Jelly

**Friday, January 6th**  
Pineapple Chunks  
Breakfast Cookies

The directors of the Schleicher County Hospital District met in their regular monthly meeting in the dining room on Monday, December 19, 1988 at 7:00 p.m.

Those members present were Bill Dakan, Raymond Mittel, Penny Bland, Jerry Jones, William Edmiston, Hyman Sauer and Pam White. Also present was Jack Black, administrator; and interested citizens.

The meeting was called to order by William Edmiston and the invocation was given by Bill Dakan.

The minutes of the November 21, 1988 Regular Board meeting and the December 13, 1988 Called Board meeting were read and approved.

County Judge Johnny Griffin

swore in Raymond Mittel as a Hospital Board member filling the remainder of term left by Floyd Butler's resignation.

The Board then went into executive session with Rita Reeves, RN and Della Pina, RN.

William Edmiston brought attention to a brochure regarding a seminar for governing boards to be held early next year.

September's financial statement was presented by Jan Bailey, bookkeeper, and several aspects of correcting and updating the report were discussed. Motion was made to set borrowing limit to \$100,000. This motion was made by Hyman Sauer and seconded by Jerry Jones.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m. This motion was made by Raymond Mittel and seconded by Penny Bland.

## Genealogical Society will meet January 3

The San Angelo Genealogical and Historical Society will meet Tuesday, January 3, 1989, at 7:30 p.m. in the Colorado and Jackson Street Church of Christ, San Angelo, Texas.

Billy Scattergood will be the speaker for the evening. The subject of the program will be "Using Tax Records in Genealogical Research". Visitors are always welcome.

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# CLASSIFIEDS

### NOTICE

NOTICE--Mary Kay Cosmetics. Graduation, birthday, anniversary gifts. Martha Spinks. 701 Lee Street. 853-3415 after 4 p.m. (tfn-9/8/88-cg)

### NOTICE

Jeffrey's Barbecue Cookbook are for sale at the Eldorado Success.

### NOTICE

Give a lasting memory to a friend or relative for Christmas... a Schleicher County History Book. Phone 853-3109. 1x/12-15-88/chg

### WANTED

WANTED--Hudspeth Nursing Home in Sonora is now taking applications for an LVN. Call Becky Becknell, 387-3030. Good salaries and benefits. tfn-9-29-88-cg

WANTED FUR:Buyers will be at Rio Grande Texaco on Fridays December 16 & 30 and January 13&27 from 10:30-10:45 a.m. Alldridge Fur Company (512)446-2435. 3x/12-8-88/chg

SALES POSITION:Cecil Atkinson Chevrolet, Olds, Buick, Pontiac is now accepting applications for Sales Position. Excellent income opportunity, must be reliable, dependable and able to meet the public. Call (915) 387-2529 for appointment. tfn/12-22-88/ chg

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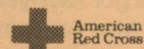
### THANK YOU

I want to thank my dear friends for their prayers, flowers, food, and other acts of kindness extended me during my recent illness. Also a special recognition to Father Moeller, Drs. Johnson, Brame, Peasless and the entire staff at medical center for the excellent care. May God bless each of you. Mary Gausemier & Family



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Merry Christmas

## Happy Anniversary

★ Alice! ★

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# MERRY CHRISTMAS and Happy New Year!

The road to your house may be rough... But may Santa arrive with presents enough. The last three years have sure been tough. But It'll take more than that to make us say that's a "nuff". Into '89 with our hearts full of love... Trusting in the Father who controls from above.

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REMEMBER SANTA CLAUS

# When tired of bureaucracy....

**When you're tired of bureaucracy, remember Santa!**

Christmas is one time of the year when we all like to forget about government intrusion in our lives.

Most of the time, we are all to aware of government rules and regulations, and I cannot help wondering what Santa would have to put up with in the 1980s.

Curiosity got the best of me, and the following take-off from the old favorite "Twas the Night Before Christmas" resulted.

Happy Holidays-Santa must have it worse than we do!

Twas 6 months before Christmas, Santa worked late every night filling out forms for his Christmas Eve flight.

"Regulation's the pits!" He said with a frown. "I've one form for the feds, the state, county and town."

When finally he finished and put down his pen the forms were piled high on his desk in the den.

"Now it's up to the government," he said with a sigh. "If I don't meet those specs, they won't let me fly!"

Then the big night arrived, Santa loaded his sleigh. No word

from Washington-he must be OK!

Santa flew by our Capitol what a sight to behold! The City of Forms (or so he was told).

All of a sudden there arose such a clatter Santa turned in his seat to see what was the matter.

A huge chopper flew up, a policeman leaned out. "Pilot's license and flight plan!" he said with a shout.

"Don't you know who I am?" said Santa, quite miffed. "I've heard that one all day," the Metro cop sniffed.

"You're hardly flight worthy by FAA rules. No tail-lights, no radar, do you take us for fools?"

"Reindeer without paperwork that's really a crime. Untested, unquarantined; Do you want to do time?"

When the chopper flew off it was getting toward morning Santa counted his blessings- he'd escaped with a warning.

Government agents met Santa when home from his trip about ten, total count had he let something slip?

"The workshop," they praised. "Is better than most." "It exceeds OSHA standards," said

Santa, starting to boast.

"And the elves..." he continued but was stopped by hard looks then the government agents began checking their books

"Yes, the elves..." mused a big one "Are you aware, Mr. Claus, of the minimum wage and child labor laws?"

"Have you filled their I9s and have you the right to export their products in the dead of the night?"

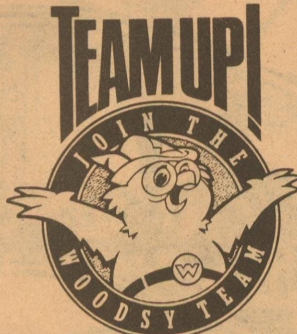
Santa tried to explain, "Christmas comes once a year. Why make it so hard to export good-will and cheer?"

"I've filled all your forms, I've always paid taxes. Form 501-c4 gives me non-profit status."

Because it was Christmas the agents felt soft. "We'll let it

slide this time, but don't you slack off!"

They all left as one, and what did I hear? "There's one hope for Santa-file early next year!"



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## Some toys dangerous

Toys are part of the thrill of Christmas for children around the world, and nowhere but in the U.S. is there such variety. This time of year, stores display thousands of toys made for every age group.

But the Texas Department of Health (TDH), in conjunction with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), works hard to see that children will not get some toys-the one found to be dangerous or even life-threatening.

Throughout the year, CPSC and TDH must inspect and test thousands of kinds of toys made in this country as well as overseas. And each year, they find some toys that contain hazardous materials such as lead paint.

Other toys are poorly designed, with small parts that can be detached or broken from the larger toy and swallowed by

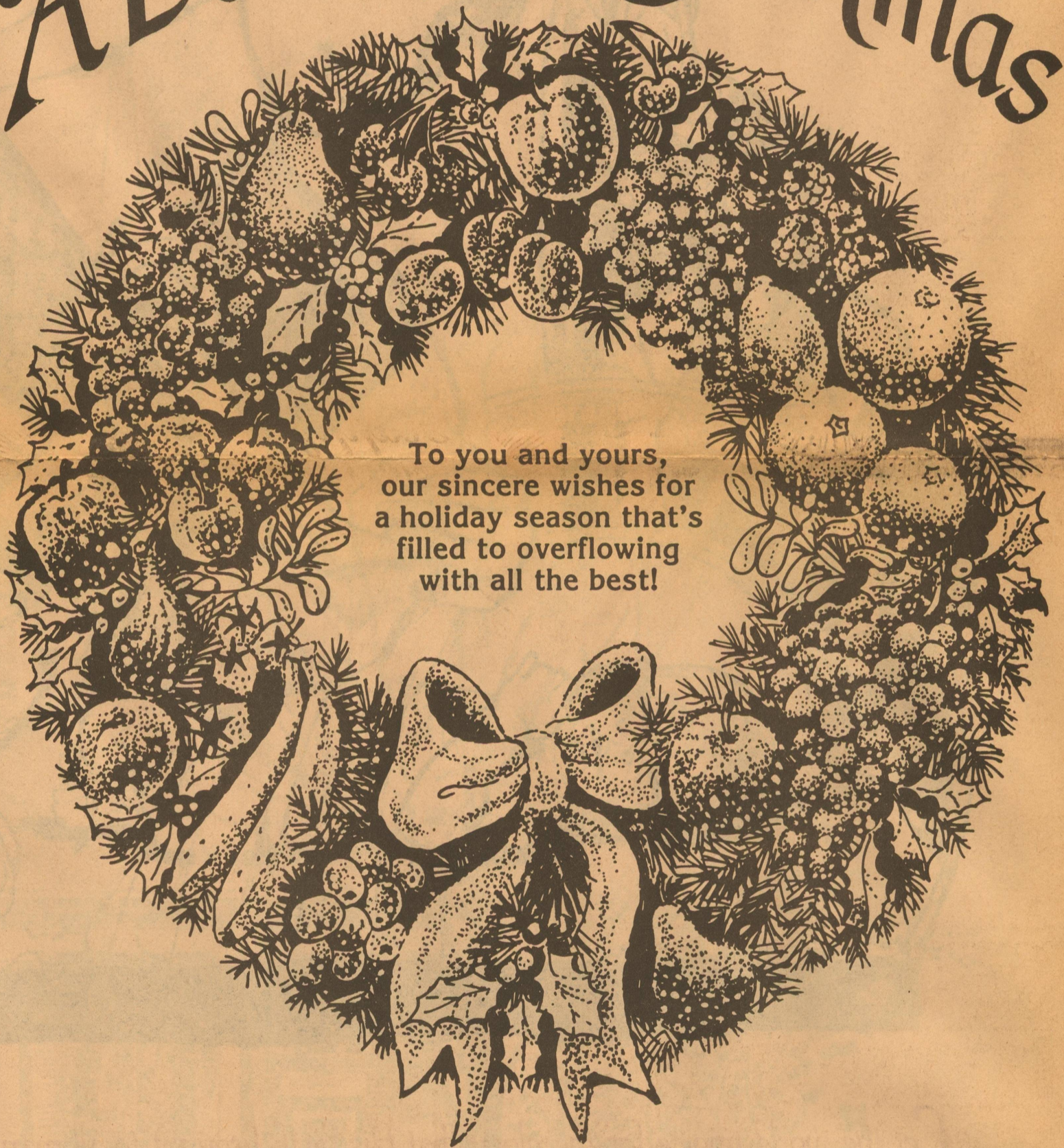
young children. Brittle plastic and sharp metal in other toys, and inappropriate labeling for the intended age group, add to the possibility that a child may be hurt or killed.

In 1987, some 647,000 children less than 15 years old were injured by hazardous or defective toys in the U.S. And 30 of them died. This year, with some reports not yet complete, another seven fatalities occurred between January and September.

So far in 1988, nearly 150 different toys have been found to be unsafe, and their manufacturers were ordered to recall them.

Forrest Burnham, chief of the TDH Hazardous Substance Branch, said, "The majority of toys recalled as safety hazards each year are imported."

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