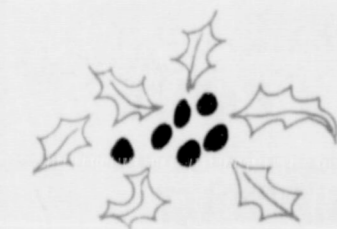


It was the night before Christmas

When All Through
The House...



Through the house of the Howard Fleming family, at least, there is lots of bustle and bustle. Plenty of creatures are scurrying and a mouse just wouldn't have a chance on Christmas Eve around there.

Dad, Howard Fleming, is busy putting the last-minute touches on the Christmas tree which is trimmed with all kinds of colorful and gaudy ornaments. Two other boys, Charles and David, are hanging stockings "by the chimney with care," while the younger ones, Andy and Bruce, are busy with toys, presents and package wrapping. The granddaddy is busy from the kitchen in the creation of Mother, Fat and getting ready for the big Christmas Day dinner with a little assist from David at spoon and bowl licking. Finally, the little fellows are hustled off to bed so they can enjoy "visions of sugar plums" dancing in their heads. Clement C. Moore must have had the Flemings in mind when he wrote his historic poem.





"WITH ALL BEST WISHES"

For Everyone

The Spirit of Christmas Lingers Long

Again it is Christmas, and for those with eyes to see there is joy in the world about us. There is a certain feeling in the air, there is a warm stirring within our individual hearts.

Christmas is but one day, although the most magnificent and eventful day in the history of man's life upon this earth. Yet, with the monotonous march of the seasons, only Christmas comes so early and lingers so long.

It begins, perhaps, sometime in November when youngsters begin to count the days and mind their manners. It seems much nearer when schools and churches begin rehearsing holiday pageants and planning holiday decorations.

Should snow fall in early December, everyone becomes more aware of the approaching holiday. There's a bit of a spring in every step, a happy ring to the voices we hear.

The gradual quickening of heart and spirit becomes full-blown with the arrival of Christmas Eve. With the passing of gifts and greetings and the observance of family traditions, we gratefully accept the opportunity to return in heart and spirit to Bethlehem. In silence we may sit again in the church by the side of the road and find our heart filled with joy and gladness.

And, come what may, we feel we shall not soon forget THIS Christmas Day.



Pause and Reflect

By Nelson Lewis

Do you remember Mark Twain's famous remark concerning the weather?

"Everyone talks about the weather but nobody does anything about it."

Well maybe our young folks are like the weather--lots of publicity but no real action.

I am as glib as the next one because I usually have a column or two devoted to my young friends but I plead guilty to the sin of omission during the past few months.

Perhaps they will read this and in the Spirit of the Season be forgiving toward a senile fellow townsman.

Don't worry because there is only one shopping day left before Christmas.

Here is a "Handy Dandy, Do It Yourself" gift kit that is guaranteed to please the recipient.

Other attractive features found only in this plan are--the gift costs no money--the giver benefits as much, or more, than the recipient--the gift is a life time of happiness.

Let's say you start your gift list with your parents.

Go to them on Christmas morning and tell them (don't just try-TELL them) how much you love them.

Let them know what their love has meant to you.

Look about you and express your appreciation for the home (however humble) food, clothing, school, and doctors.

Be sure to include all the effort they have put forth to preserve for you the Basic Freedom that is America, the churches, hospitals, colleges and the world's highest standard of living.

Wrap this gift in respect and tie it with the golden cord of responsibility.

For Grandparents: review the above suggestions then add thanks for their having reared a set of parents to nourish and protect you until you could fend for yourself.

Assure them that the third generation will keep its part of the bargain.

The wrapping of this package will require the most durable material you can find because it must act as a bridge over a generation gap.

Brothers and Sisters: the best gift to them is the same understanding you expect to get from them.

You are so alike but yet so vastly different! How can you be members of the same family?

Wrap in a good sense of humor and tie with tolerance. A complete list will include: Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, and perhaps fellow citizens who are not "blood kin," they deserve your loyalty, sincerity, good manners, cooperation and forgiveness.

Every family has a common kinsman who should be remembered during this Yuletide Season--Our good old Uncle Sam.

From his hard won estate come all our fortunes.

The Stars in his Flag and those on his hat are direct descendants of the Stars that lighted the manger.

He has given much but asks so little: just a prayer for peace and a love of fellowman.

Don't knock this plan until you've tried it--see if it won't give you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Friona Flashbacks

...from the files of the Friona Star

45 YEARS AGO--DECEMBER 25, 1926

The front page of the Star carried an article tracing the growth of the Friona school system during the preceding five years: from a three-year to a four-year high school; from five teachers to eleven; from three buses to eight; from 98 students to 300; and from 10 grades to eleven.

40 YEARS AGO--DECEMBER 25, 1931

Owing to the 12 inches of snow which covered the ground Thursday morning of last week, the school buses were unable to get to school from the various parts of the district. Only three of the ten buses were able to make the trip Friday, and for this reason there was a very small attendance at the Christmas program which the departments of the school had prepared.

35 YEARS AGO--DECEMBER 25, 1936

Canyon's high-flying Eagles made off with the first place trophy in the Friona Invitational Basketball tournament which closed here Saturday night. The Chiefs gave them a mighty battle in the final game, before losing by the heart-breaking margin of 28-27.

30 YEARS AGO--DECEMBER 26, 1941

Entirely satisfactory was Friona's response to the Red Cross relief call, according to a report made this week by J.R. Roden, roll call chairman in Friona. Roden reports that Friona raised \$11,72 more than its \$300 quota--a much better showing than in some of the larger cities throughout the state, he says.

25 YEARS AGO--DECEMBER 20, 1946

The new uniforms for Friona High School's band began arriving last week, and four of the twirler uniforms have also arrived, according to C.D. Holmes, superintendent of the Friona Public Schools. The uniform fund was helped by a \$100 check from Leo Potishman of Fort Worth. Wayne B. Stark, son of Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Stark, has received his discharge from the service, and is now at home.

20 YEARS AGO--DECEMBER 20, 1951

Work is speeding ahead at the Sloan Osborn A No. 1 test drilling location 10 miles northwest of Friona this week, with actual spudding-in anticipated tomorrow or Saturday. Whether or not oil is found in this exploratory well, local citizens may have the assurance that a really "big time" rig is being used on the location, with the most modern equipment available.

15 YEARS AGO--DECEMBER 20, 1956

Friona is fairly popping with new, modern service stations. The T&H Texaco station has been open little more than a month, and now three more are about ready to enter the race for retail trade. They are a new Gulf Station at Main and Highway 60, a new Phillips 66 Station, which has been leased to K.E. Deaton, and a new Humble Station, at the intersection of Highway 60 and North 214.

10 YEARS AGO--DECEMBER 21, 1961

Dear Santa: I want a Kitten doll and a little red spinning wheel. With love, Andrea Hurst. Dear Santa: I am in the second grade. I would like a Tiny Tears Doll, a sewing machine and an apron. With love, Kathy Horton. Dear Santa: I am 7 years old, and I would like to have a gun and holster set, a farm set and a race set. Michael Martin. Dear Santa: I have been a good girl. I want a Deputy doll and Nurse Kit and a suitcase, please. Your friend, Jill Riethmayer. Dear Santa: I have been good. Please bring me a thumb-a-lens and a coke machine. Love, Teresa Bingham. Dear Santa: I have been a good boy. I want a pick-up, I want a truck. I want a filling station. With love, Carroll Cook.

5 YEARS AGO--DECEMBER 11, 1966

Michael Baronowski of Norristown, Pa., a former student of Friona High School, was killed in action in Vietnam on November 29. Mike made his home with the Steve Struve family during his senior year in high school, and was active in school activities.

HOSPITAL REPORT

Admissions:
J. Ray Scott, Friona; Nellie Hapke, Texico; Sandra Johnson, Farwell; Barbara Lindsey, Hereford; Emma Elmore, Friona; George Baker, Friona; Cody Pike Livingston, Bovina; Lela Beth Shelton, Friona; Lavenia Davis, Lazbuddie; Melvin Frazier, Broadway; Joe Jones, Bovina; Sandra Moize, Napa, California; Johanna Byrd, Bovina; R.J. Garner, Lariat; Dennis Anthony, Friona; Thurman Graham, Friona; Nancy Pittman, Friona; Sandra Webber, Friona; Marcella Jennings, Muleshoe; Elaine Benoit, Friona; Katherine Parr, Friona; Melford Benoit, Friona; Lisa Benoit, Friona; Mrs. Charles Ray, Friona.

Dismissals:
Carmen Garza, Sandra Webber, Brian Keith Osborn, Barbara Lindsey, Mrs. Mickey Griffin and baby girl, Marcus Garza, Abraham Escabedo, Joe Weldon Jones, Mrs. Carl Fairchild, Mrs. Charles Ray and baby girl, Lela Beth Shelton and baby girl, George M. Baker, R. J. Garner, Sandra Johnson, Nancy Ruth Pittman, Kelvin King, Johanna Byrd and baby girl, Lavenia Dean Davis, Emma Elmore and Cody Pike Livingston.

Patients In The Hospital:
Dennis Anthony, Lisa Benoit, Elaine Benoit, Melford Benoit, Melvin Frazier, Thurman Graham, Carrie Gray, Nellie Hapke, Marcella Jennings and baby girl, Sandra Moize, Katherine Parr, J. Ray Scott and Sandra Webber.

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
Would you please bring me a buggy, maintainer and a tool box.
Bring my little brother a train, little trucks, maybe a ball. We've been pretty good kids. Don't forget the other little kids. We love you.
Lisa & Rodney Page

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a baby go bye bye and a nurse kit. I love you.
Sarah Gay Ellis
Please bring my little brother a furry puppy.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Tiny Baby Doll and a little purse.
Glenda Ellis

Dear Santa,
My name is Delisa Dyess. I would like a Tinney Tell, make-up set, Barbie's cafe, and a big bike. I would like for you to bring my little sister, Shona, a raggedy Ann doll, ball and a little car.
I've been trying to be good.
Delisa

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a doll for Christmas.
Love,
Vilina Dutton

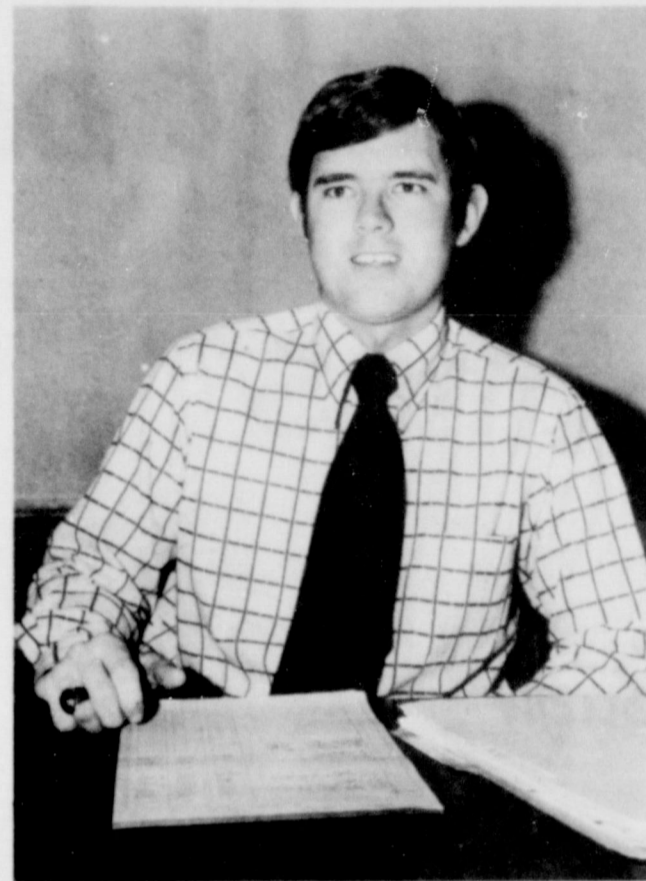
Methodist Youth To Present Live Nativity Scene

The Senior Hi youth of the Friona United Methodist Church are presenting a "live" manger scene on the yard, west of the sanctuary, between the hours of 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. Christmas Eve, December 24.

Everyone is cordially invited to drive by and view the scene, even stopping for a few moments of prayer if desired, in a continual pilgrimage in preparation for God's gift to all people, everywhere.

Kissing Plant
The festive symbolism of mistletoe goes back to the ancient cults common to the Celts. Mistletoe once was universally associated with fertility, and is still associated with kissing and courting at winter festivals.

WELCOME TO FRIONA



This week the Star joins the merchants below in welcoming Richard Francis to Friona. Richard is the new assistant manager in the Production Credit Assn. office here. A native of Kress, he is a graduate of West Texas State University, with a major in finance. Francis is single, a Baptist, and lives at 308 W. 12th St. He enjoys water skiing and hunting.

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FIRST PLACE WINNER
Billy Jones-608 Watkins

Winners Given In C-C Event

Winners in the Friona Chamber of Commerce's Christmas Lighting contest were announced this week by Chamber president Ralph Shirley. First place went to the Billy Jones residence at 608 Watkins. Jones will receive the \$60.00 first prize. Second place was won by the Dale Houlette residence, 804 W. 6th. The Houlettes will receive \$40.00 cash. Third place was won by the Charlie Wise residence, 603 Ashland Avenue. Third place paid \$25.00 cash. Judges cited the Robert Garza residence, 1508 N. James, for honorable mention.

Friona Group Has TV Spot

The Trebelaire's, under the direction of Eva Miller, will present a program of Christmas music Saturday, Christmas Day, on Channel 4, KGNC-TV, beginning at 11:30 a.m. This is the annual Christmas program of Channel 4's Farm and Home Show, and the Trebelaire's present the entire program.



SECOND PLACE WINNER
Dale Houlette- 804 W. Sixth



THIRD PLACE WINNER
Charlie Wise-603 Ashland

CLOSING INFORMATION

Businesses Announce Plans For Holidays

Some Friona businesses plan to take at least an extra day for Christmas, according to a survey this week by the Friona Chamber of Commerce. Friona State Bank, Earl's Farmer House Restaurant, the Chamber office, Gib's Cleaners, Reed's Cleaners are among those who will close all day on Friday, as well as Saturday and Sunday. Others, such as The Hut and Ruthie's, plan to take their extra day on Monday, December 27. The Hut will close at 5 p.m. on Friday. Friona's city office, along with Friona Medical-Surgical Clinic, will close at noon on Friday. The Holiday Restaurant will close at 2 p.m. Friday and remain closed Saturday and Sunday. Friona Snack Bar will be closed Saturday and Sunday. Bi-Wize Drug plans to close at 7 p.m. on Friday, and will also be closed on Saturday.

Houser's, Piggly Wiggly and White's Super Market all will be closed on Saturday. Getting a jump on the rest will be Pioneer Gas and Southwestern Public Service offices, which will close Thursday at noon for the weekend. Some of these schedules are to be repeated the following weekend for New Year's Day. This is particularly true for Friona State Bank, which points out that its last regular banking day for 1971 will be on Thursday, December 30, and asks its patrons to make note of this date. The Friona Star will close its office for the entire week next week, and will skip publication on December 30. The next issue will be out the week of January 3. These were the only definite closing plans made available to the Chamber of Commerce. The survey was made by Chamber secretary, Peggy Bryant.

Post Office Open Friday

The Post Office will be open, and will deliver mail on Friday, December 24, according to postmaster Wright Williams. Williams said that his previous statement that there would be no mail delivery December 24 was in error, and that the day would be a workday for postal employees.

Decals Available

State Comptroller, Robert S. Calvert, will have a representative at the City Park, December 28, 1 p.m. thru 5 p.m. December 29, to sell Special Farm User Liquefied Gas Decals to those who qualify to purchase them. In order to qualify for these decals, a person must be in business of farming, ranching, or other agricultural operations.

Work Continues At Mo. Beef

Missouri Beef Packers, Inc. and the Amalgamated Meat Cutters, AFL-CIO local unit P-777 are continuing to work toward reaching a labor agreement covering employees at the Friona plant, according to plant manager Howard McLean. The present contract expired at midnight, December 15, 1971. However, the employees have indicated that they will continue to work until further notice. Additional negotiations are scheduled for early in January.

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

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Mike Chaney

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

As we share with you in the joys of the Christmas season, we'd like to express our thoughts and our thanks to every friend and neighbor. Our thoughts are warm with hearty wishes for a holiday brimful of excitement and enchantment. And our thanks are most sincere, for your steadfast patronage and good will. We always appreciate the privilege of serving you.

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FOR SALE... '1971 Yamaha 125 Motorcycle with 700 miles. Still in warranty. 1963 Olds Super 88 with power and air. Jerry Hinkle, 810 W. 5th. 12-tfc

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Frigidaire (built-in) dishwasher; 5 years old; excellent condition. Also stationary bicycle exerciser; 2 years old. Watkins, 247-3392 after five. 12-tfc

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Hub Wreck Leaves Three Hospitalized

A two-vehicle wreck about a mile south of the Hub intersection on Monday hospitalized three members of a local family, one of whom sustained a broken back.

Melford Benoist, 37, was in good condition at press time, after sustaining a broken back in the wreck.

A daughter, Lisa, five, was also in good condition. She had a cracked rib. The mother, Elaine, also was in good condition. She was hospitalized for a couple of days for observation.

The Benoist's family automobile was in collision with a gas transport truck driven by Antonio Reyes.

Both vehicles were headed south on State Highway 214 at the time of the accident. Investigating officers said that the car had applied its brakes upon entering a heavy smoke screen from a field of burning maize stubble to the west of the highway.

Nurses Play Santa Claus

Nurses at Parmer County Community Hospital made up a pot and purchased Christmas presents for the two children of the family involved in the car accident Monday.

The father was unemployed. The family's car was destroyed in the wreck.

The truck, which was following, could not stop as quickly as the auto, and struck the vehicle in the rear, completely smashing the car's luggage compartment.

Reyes was not injured in the wreck.

The injured were taken to the hospital in Friona by Claiborn Ambulance.

Benoist was listed as unemployed, no local address.



WRECK SCENE. . . This was the scene Monday morning south of the Hub intersection, following a collision between a sedan driven by Elaine Benoist, and a gas transport truck from Kendrick Oil Company in Friona. Smoke from a burning maize stubble field was a contributing factor to the wreck, which sent a man in the automobile to Parmer County Community Hospital with a broken back. (Star News Photo)

"Gospel Blimp" Sets Showing Locally

"The Gospel Blimp," a color film based on Joseph Bayly's book, is coming to First Baptist Church, Friona at 6 p.m. on December 26.

The film tells the story of a group of enthusiastic but misguided Church people who set out to take the Gospel to the people of their town through the use of a blimp.

There's many a laugh when they try to get responsible pilots: when their "fire-bombs" keep falling in all the wrong places; when their public address system goes haywire. Later, when well-meaning evangelism begins to change to "what's-good-for-public-relations," and Christian principles start to fall by the wayside, there is a lesson to be learned.

"The Gospel Blimp" is not just an entertaining comedy, though it could stand on its own in that category. Through it all, there is a familiarity about the people and the feelings they make that makes one stop and wonder whether this couldn't really happen.

The thoughtful message that persistently comes through lingers long to challenge and inspire. Young and old alike will want to see this excellent picture. It is a delightful, witty comment on our mid-century willingness to substitute committee action for personal responsibility.

Twelve Delegates Attend National NFO Convention

Twelve delegates representing the Parmer County chapter of National Farmers Organization flew to Kansas City early last week for the National Convention.

Speakers at various sessions of the convention included Hubert Humphrey, Senator Dale, Senator Muskie, Ralph Nader and Senator McGovern.

During the business session Oren Lee Staley was re-elected to serve as the organization's president. Devon Woodland was elected vice-president to replace Erhard Pfingsten.

Entertainers on some of the evening programs included Jimmy Dickens, The Stonemans and several outstanding stars from the Grand Ole Opry. Heading Parmer County's delegation was Wayne Magness, president.

Others making the trip were J.W. Gammon, Don McDonald, Jerry Don Glover, Bob Wylie, Mr. and Mrs. Joyce Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Wilson and Mrs. Nancy Norwood.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

Dear Bill:

About 45 years ago I was a hand on the Rafter S just outside of Friona.

It was about two years ago driving from New York back to the west coast, that I stopped in Friona to see if I could locate the old ranch and see if Clyde Seamonds, the then owner, or anyone else from the ranch was still around.

I found the hardware man (whose name escapes me) and Slim Ashcraft. Slim is the one armed janitor at one of your schools. In those days he doubled as a cowhand and cook on the ranch.

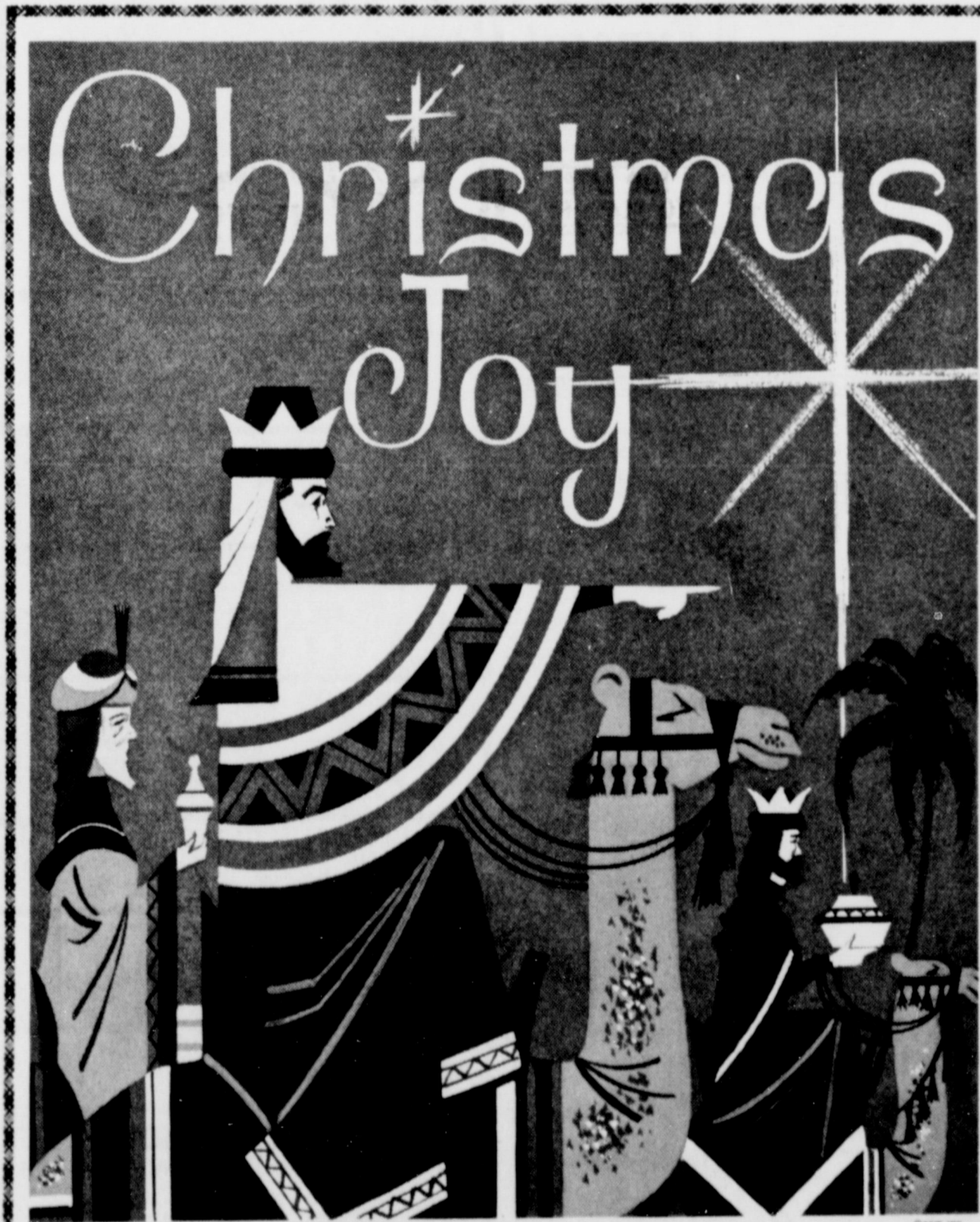
I don't know if Slim is still

among the quick, but if he is, I'd greatly appreciate your seeing to it that he gets one of the copies of GUIDEPPOSTS that carries a story I've written about an experience I had on the Rafter S.

(See story, P. 11, Sec. 2)

Some time ago, I also sent Slim a copy of TEXAS PARADE, published in Austin, that told about the Rafter S and Friona. . . and also had him in it. . . I'm sorry I never had a chance to meet with you when I came through the Panhandle, but it was Sunday and I didn't want to intrude.

Thanks for your trouble and best wishes for a happy holiday. Milt Smith



May God grant you and your family these joyful gifts of this holy season . . .
Love, Peace and Understanding.
We thank you for your loyal patronage.

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Merry Christmas to all

Happy carolers raise their voices to add a cheery Christmas note. It's full of good wishes and spirited hopes that this Yule is the best ever for all of you!

BENGER AIR PARK

Christinnas Greetings

We Wish You A Merry Christmas And A Happy And Prosperous 1972.

BLACK GRAIN CO.

Canyon Raising Money For Band's Europe Trip

It's a big job, but the little town of Canyon, Texas is attempting it. The job is to send 70 high school band students to an international music festival in Vienna, Austria next summer, and the cost is estimated at \$50,000. Impossible? Well, some nights many tired parents and weary students may wonder, but it is done quietly and always to themselves, because the town is determined, no matter how slow money may be coming in. The decision to make the trip was made late last spring, and the band has collected \$12,000 to date.

The Canyon Eagle Band, directed by Mr. J.W. King, Jr., will be the only band from Texas at the festival. In fact, Canyon will represent the entire southwest since no other bands will represent the states of New Mexico, Kansas or Oklahoma. Only 30 bands from the United States will be in Vienna for the week-long festival in mid-July, and another 30 will represent nations around the world.

Band students labored during the summer to bring in that cold cash, because each is responsible for earning at least \$500 for the trip. Their work includes baby sitting, trash hauling, weed pulling, cake baking, house cleaning—anything that would add to the bank account. Canyon band parents have undertaken the tougher job of earning another \$250 per student.

You can only sell so many

pies, or so many coffee mugs in a town the size of Canyon (8,000), but don't tell these folks. They are the stuff that made West Texas pioneers, and that winning spirit that shines in most Texans' souls is alive in these band kids and the folks of the town. "We want these kids to make the trip," one businessman stressed, "and somehow we'll do it." "We're proud of the Band and the fact that they will represent the entire state at the festival," another merchant voiced. "We have an outstanding band, and they will be a credit to the city and the state at the festival," another declared.

The Canyon Band has indeed been a credit to this Panhandle city. They have won sweepstakes honors for three years in University Interscholastic League competition. They were selected as the AAA TMEA Honor Band in 1970 and were acclaimed the Honors Band at the Greater Southwest Music Festival in Amarillo last spring.

Can a small town send 70 youngsters to Europe to represent the Lone Star State? Well, the city of Canyon is trying its level best. Canyon Band parents will be happy to receive ideas for fund raising, books of stamps or other contributions. They may be sent to: Vienna '72, Mrs. Gary T. Garner, Fund Raising Chairman, Box 784, Canyon, Texas.



MARVIN LAWSON

Floyd Stowers Buried Monday

Funeral services for Floyd L. Stowers, 55, 3419 Royal, Amarillo, were conducted from Blackburn-Shaw Memorial Chapel.

Stowers, who was a native of Hall County and a former Friona resident, died in Amarillo's Veteran's Hospital Friday afternoon.

Survivors include his wife, Mildred; his mother, Mrs. Bertie Doak, Friona; and one brother, C.T. Stowers, Texoma, Oklahoma. He was a Certified Public Accountant and a veteran of World War II.

Class Members Honor Husbands

Thirty-four persons attended a Christmas party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hough Friday evening. Host couples in addition to the Houghs, were Mr. and Mrs. Dwan Menefer and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Redwine.

Honored guests were husbands of the members of the L.L.L. Sunday School class of First Baptist Church.

Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hicks, Mrs. Hicks, who is the teacher of the class was presented a gift.

A game session followed a supper of turkey, dressing, vegetables, salads, desserts, coffee and hot spiced tea.

IT'S RICH Mince pie symbolizes the riches of the East, brought by the Wise Men.

Study Group Meets In Smith Home

The Laws of Life Study Group met at 8:00 p.m. Saturday in the home of Mrs. Leon Smith Sr. in the Hub Community.

The study was taken from the Concept Therapy text and was entitled "The Evolution of Con-

sciousness," Mrs. Jerry Winkle was the narrator.

Leon Smith was a guest.

The next meeting of the group will be in the Community Room of Friona State Bank at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, January 2.

M. Lawson Buried Here

Graveside services were conducted Wednesday here for Marvin L. Lawson, former resident and businessman. Lawson farmed here for 15 years and managed Friona Consumers for a short time.

Lawson, 67, passed away Tuesday morning in Amarillo, where he had lived for the past 10 years.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Elizabeth, a son, Robert (Buck) Lawson of Amarillo; a daughter, Mrs. Bob Roden of Littlefield and his mother, Mrs. Mary Lawson of Chickasha, Oklahoma.

Also, six sisters and two brothers survive. Burial was in Friona cemetery.

Clayton Presides Over Government Committee

Representative Bill Clayton of Springlake presided over a meeting here of his committee of state legislators concerned with developing policy on federal issues of importance to States.

Clayton chairs the Intergovernmental Relations Committee of the National Legislative Conference. The Committee, composed of 165 legislators from all 50 States, met December 6 and 7.

Under Secretary of the Treasury Charles E. Walker addressed a luncheon session of the legislators. Dr. Walker, one of the top spokesmen for the Administration's economic policies, discussed the prospects for Phase II of President Nixon's Economic Stabilization Program and its ramifications on state government. Committee members also participated in discussion and study sessions with other high-level federal officials, including Health, Education, and Welfare Secretary Elliot L. Richardson.

This year the Committee is focusing on such issues as Phase II, revenue sharing, welfare reform, health care services, drug abuse, new management approaches for natural resources and pollution abatement, and housing and community development legislation pending before Congress.

The Intergovernmental Relations Committee was established by the National Legislative Conference in 1957 as a means of expanding the important role of state legislators in the federal system. Representative John H. Conolly of Illinois, the

President of the NLC, appointed Clayton Chairman of the Intergovernmental Relations Committee at the Conference's last annual meeting in Minneapolis.

Ellises Host Xmas Party

A Christmas party for employees of the Friona Star was held last Saturday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ellis.

A variety of hors d'oeuvres and Holiday goodies were served with coffee and hot spiced tea. A game session followed the gift exchange.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Cooley, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Floyd, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lewellen, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hart and the hosts.

Daughter Born To Larry Elmores

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Elmore became parents of a baby girl at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, November 24, at Clovis Memorial Hospital.

She was named Deah Renee and weighed 8 lbs. 5 ozs. She has one sister, Andre, who is 3.

Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W.V. Elmore and Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Hicks, all of Friona.

Great-grandmothers are Mrs. Emma Elmore, Friona, Mrs. Arthur Honea, Sundown, and Mrs. Eula Hicks, Brownfield.

REJOICE
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Funeral Home — Floral

Company Promotions

Announced By MBP

Dave La Fleur, President of Missouri Beef Packers, Inc., has announced the following promotions.

Norman L. Cummins has been named Vice President-Transportation. Cummins joined the Company in 1969 and has been Director of Physical Distribution. He has over 25 years of traffic experience.

E.L. "Ed" Felling has been named Vice President-Purchasing. Felling has been Director of Purchasing for the Company for three years and was previously with Armour and Company for over 25 years. Robert D. Mellinger was named Vice President-Industrial Relations. Mellinger joined the Company in 1970 as Director of Personnel. He previously was with Iowa Beef Processors.

Dale T. Millard was appointed General Manager of the Company's newly acquired Holton, Kansas Division. Millard joined the Company in 1968 and most recently was Production Superintendent at the Plainview, Texas Division. He has over 10 years experience in the meat industry.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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Sincerely Yours
By Rev. Albert Lindley

By the time you are reading this it will be only hours before Christmas Day. In a daily devotional booklet just this morning I was reading about God's game of "hide and seek."

I would like to share the main idea with you because of the significance it holds for us at this time of year.

Galatians 4:4-5 states: "But when the time had fully come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law... so that we might receive adoption as sons."

We have all played the game "hide and go seek" and probably have even set up some of the rules. The yell of "Here I come, ready or not," really gets things happening fast and the winners—or losers, such as my case where a twin sister could outrun me—would start counting themselves in.

The thought continues that such a childhood game contains appropriate words for the approach of this season of Christmas. The Scripture tells us that when the time had fully come, God sent his Son to us.

Just like the game, some were ready and some were not. Some were not ready to listen to him. Some expected different words and different deeds from their "Savior." Some still were too tied up with their own seemingly precious idols they worshiped to make way for his advent.

Then, as now, we have those who were ready for his "Here I come ready or not." Some awaited his appearance. When the Messiah was revealed to them, they left all they had and followed him gladly.

In this season we emphasize once again that God comes in to lives that prepare him room. He is poised, waiting once again to make his entrance into life. He is forever saying, "Here I come—"

You know, that has been the central theme of what I have been trying to say these last few weeks.

Advent is a time of preparation. It is a time of reviewing with expectant hope, that "story of old" which is so alive today.

I'll give you some time off for good behavior and not run this out to the end—other than to leave a very heartfelt and sincere wish for you and yours, from the Ministerial Alliance of Friona.

May God bless you in this season: May you have his love and care. Might what he did in Christmas Be for you, a way to dare.

A. Frank

"O Word of God incarnate,
O Wisdom born on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging,
O Light of our dark sky:

We praise thee for the radiance
That from the hallowed page,
A lantern to our footsteps,
Shines on from age to age."

Wm. W. How
"O Word of God Incarnate"

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Friona Co-Op Gin	Rushing Insurance
Friona Motors	Friona Consumers
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ASSEMBLY OF GOD
10th and Ashland—Rev. J.M. Ashley, pastor
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Young people, 6:45 p.m. Evening Worship: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship: 8:15 p.m. Sunday Men's Fellowship: 7:00 p.m.

CALVARY BAPTIST
14th and Cleveland—Rev. R.C. Hester, pastor
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Training Union: 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship: 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m.

CALVARY BAPTIST MISSION
5th and Main—Rev. L.S. Ansley, pastor
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST
Sixth and Summit—Rev. Charles Broadhurst
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Training Union: 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship: 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting: 8:30 p.m.

MEXICAN BAPTIST CHURCH
4th and Woodland—Rev. Donnie Carrasco
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Training Union: 5:00 p.m. Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting: 8:00 p.m.

ST. TERESA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
16th and Cleveland—Father Norman Boyd
Mass: 10:30 a.m. Confessions: Sunday 10:00 a.m.

SIXTH ST. CHURCH OF CHRIST
502 W. Sixth—Bill Gipson Preacher
Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Evening: 6 p.m. Wednesday Evening: 7:30 p.m.

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH
13th and Virginia—
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Rhea Immanuel Lutheran Church—Worship: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Euclid At 16th—UCC—Rev. Paul Lee
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11:00 a.m.

TENTH ST. CHURCH OF CHRIST
10th and Euclid
Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. Evening: 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening: 8:00 p.m.

SIXTH ST. IGLESIA de CRISTO
408 W. Sixth—M.R. Zamorano
Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Evening: 8:00 p.m. Thursday Evening: 8:00 p.m.

FRIONA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
8th and Pierce—Rev. Albert Lindley
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11:00 a.m. MYF: 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship: 7:00 p.m.

UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
Fifth and Ashland—Rev. O.G. Stanton, pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Evening: 7:30 p.m. Sunday Evening: 8:00 p.m. Friday Young People: 8:00 p.m.

Party Honors Pair Of Deaf Smith Employees SCS Employee Gets Outstanding USDA Rating

Two employees of Deaf Smith County Electric Cooperative were honored at the annual Christmas Party last Friday night at the Hereford Country Club.

Honored were Albert ("Fuzzy") Farris, who is retiring, and Mrs. Earl (Louise) Gunther, who received her five-year service pin.

Farris, better known as "Fuzzy" will complete a lifetime of dedicated service to the REC at the end of 1971. Altogether, he has devoted 43 years to the electrical utility industry serving as apprentice lineman, lineman, trouble shooter, meter reader and shop man.

"Fuzzy" would have been considered the best known employee of the Co-op throughout the area. He went to work as a trouble shooter in 1940, and except for about six years after the war, has continually worked as an employee of the cooperative. Even before 1940, he worked as a lineman for the construction contractor who built some of the first cooperative lines.

In 1959, Farris suffered a heart attack which forced him to retire from active lineman work. However, "Fuzzy" had always taken great pride in being a "jack of all trades" and

assuming the co-op's shop duties was perfectly suited for his many talents.

"Fuzzy" admits that he has had very little formal training in the many crafts in which he is proficient. Nearly all of his accomplishments have been taught by the old trial and error method.

"Fuzzy" has that mysterious special knack for being able to fabricate or repair almost anything out of the spare parts and equipment he has accumulated over the years.

When asked if he can make a certain thing, he says, "Show me a picture or tell me what you want and I can make it."

The most appropriate title for Mrs. Gunther might be "administrative secretary." In addition to her duties as secretary to manager James Hull, she also acts as receptionist and typist for other office employees.

Louise graduated from Hereford High School, and then attended Texas Tech. Upon her graduation from Tech, she moved to California and for 12 years was employed as a secretary.

When she and her husband returned to Hereford in 1966, she was employed by Deaf Smith County Electric Cooperative, and has been there ever since.



HONORED... Albert "Fuzzy" Farris, shown here with his wife Susie, was honored at the annual Christmas party of Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative last Friday. Farris will retire at the end of the year, after 25 years with the company.



FIVE-YEAR PIN... Mrs. Earl Gunther is shown accepting her five-year pin from Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative manager James Hull at the cooperative's Christmas party last Friday.

Marion E. Clark, Soil Conservation Technician with the Soil Conservation Service, Friona, received an outstanding rating from the Department of Agriculture. The award was presented by Herb Evans, DC of Friona at the Amarillo area's SCS banquet Friday, December 19, 1971.

The award reads, "In recognition of his being assigned an outstanding performance rating for fiscal year 1971. The superior manner in which he performed his duties in the application and maintenance of a high quality conservation program contributed to the commendable accomplishments of the Friona Work Unit."

There were only two outstanding awards given in the Amarillo area. Marion has been with the Soil Conservation Service twenty-seven years. He came to Friona three years ago from Throckmorton.

Marion assists Parmer County farmers to install and maintain conservation practices. In the fiscal year 1971, he exceeded all his goals by 175% with high quality work. A large part of Marion's work is with servicing referrals for the Rural Environmental Assistance Program. In past years additional help was needed to service all referrals however, this year Marion has been able to handle all the referrals single handedly.

Evans said we are proud of Marion and his assistance to the Friona Unit.



RECEIVES RATING... Marion E. Clark, left, Soil Conservation Technician with the Soil Conservation Service in Friona, is presented an "outstanding" rating by Herb Evans, District Conservationist. Clark received the award at the Amarillo area's SCS banquet last Friday.



**On The Farm
In Parmer County**
MACK HEALD
County Agent

By now almost everyone knows of the cattle scabies quarantine that the Texas Panhandle is under including Parmer County. At the present time 34 counties are under quarantine, including all Panhandle counties north and east of Parmer. Cattle can be moved through and out of the quarantine area if they are accompanied by a certificate of inspection issued by State-Federal personnel or an accredited veterinarian within 10 days of movement.

This certificate must state that the cattle are apparently free of scabies infestation or exposure. According to Texas law any person, firm, partnership or corporation who violates the quarantine provision shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and is subject to legal action. If animals are found to be infested, one dipping is necessary for animals that have been exposed for no longer than 14 days. If exposure has been 14 days or longer, 2 dippings on a 10-14 day interval are necessary.

The cause of all the concern

is a small microscopic sporadic mite which causes a skin irritation and hair loss. Animals that are infested will usually show such symptoms as scratching, rubbing, licking, etc. They may also be nervous and easily excited. First signs of the mites usually occur on the withers, over the back and around the root of the tail. As the infestation continues to increase large areas of hair will be lost, skin is thickened and there are raw areas where animals have scratched and rubbed to relieve the intense itching and irritation.

If any suspect cases are found a veterinarian or a State Livestock Inspector should be contacted.

Below is a list of inspectors serving this area and where they can be reached:
Hereford: Curtis Martin-Plains Motel
Harry Janek-Plains Motel
Harry Dunningman-Chateau Inn (806) 364-0960
Muleshoe: Bob Henderson (806) 272-

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
I want a doll for Christmas.
Mary Madrid

Dear Santa,
I want a racing car and a b-b gun.
Ricky Lee Wilkenson

4949
Barney Lookwood-Valley Motel

If these inspectors cannot be reached a veterinarian will be able to give advice on treatment and handling. I urge all producers and feeders to keep a close watch for any signs of scabies. An untreated infestation can cause a great deal of weight loss to the cattle and costly expense to the producer.

At Home In Parmer County

Jana Pronger

Holidays bustle with family get-togethers, parties with friends and lots of Christmas goodies. This Christmas, serve nutritious snacks and refreshments to your family and friends.

Nuts are nutritious protein snacks, that can be eaten salted, sugar-coated or roasted alone, or in cookies, candies, cakes and in toppings for meat and vegetable dishes. Pecans and peanuts are plentiful this time of year, but if you are a calorie watcher, you'd better limit the supply of nuts at home.

Cranberries are low in calories and are excellent in-season fruits for the holidays. Cranberries add delightful flavors and color to breads, cookies, cakes, beverages, and sherbets, as well as stuffing for the turkey.

An all-time American favorite is cheese. Cheese adds valuable protein and calcium to the diet and makes excellent hors d'oeuvres for special holiday treats. Many types of cheese are available and can be used in combination with seasonings and spices, such as garlic, paprika, olives, Worcestershire sauce, cayenne pepper and nuts.

Refreshing beverages add sparkle and zest to special occasions during the holiday season. Nutritious Christmas drinks include egg nog, fruit punches, hot cider, wassail, hot chocolate and hot spiced tomato juice.

The Christmas cook has many opportunities to express her creativity for providing nutritious good-eatings. So Happy Cooking and Merry Christmas!

thank you!

We wish to thank each of you for your business over the past 17 years. Also for the personal association. Both have been a pleasure. It was a difficult decision to close our farm supply business, but things do change with time. Friona has been our home for many years and we plan to remain here and try to be of service to you and the community in the future. Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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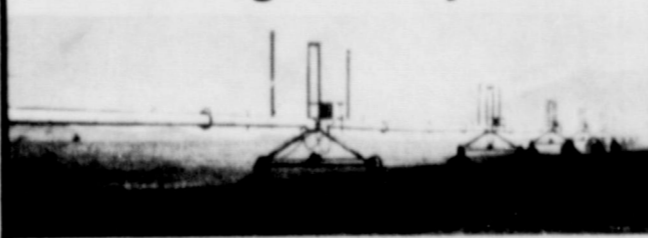
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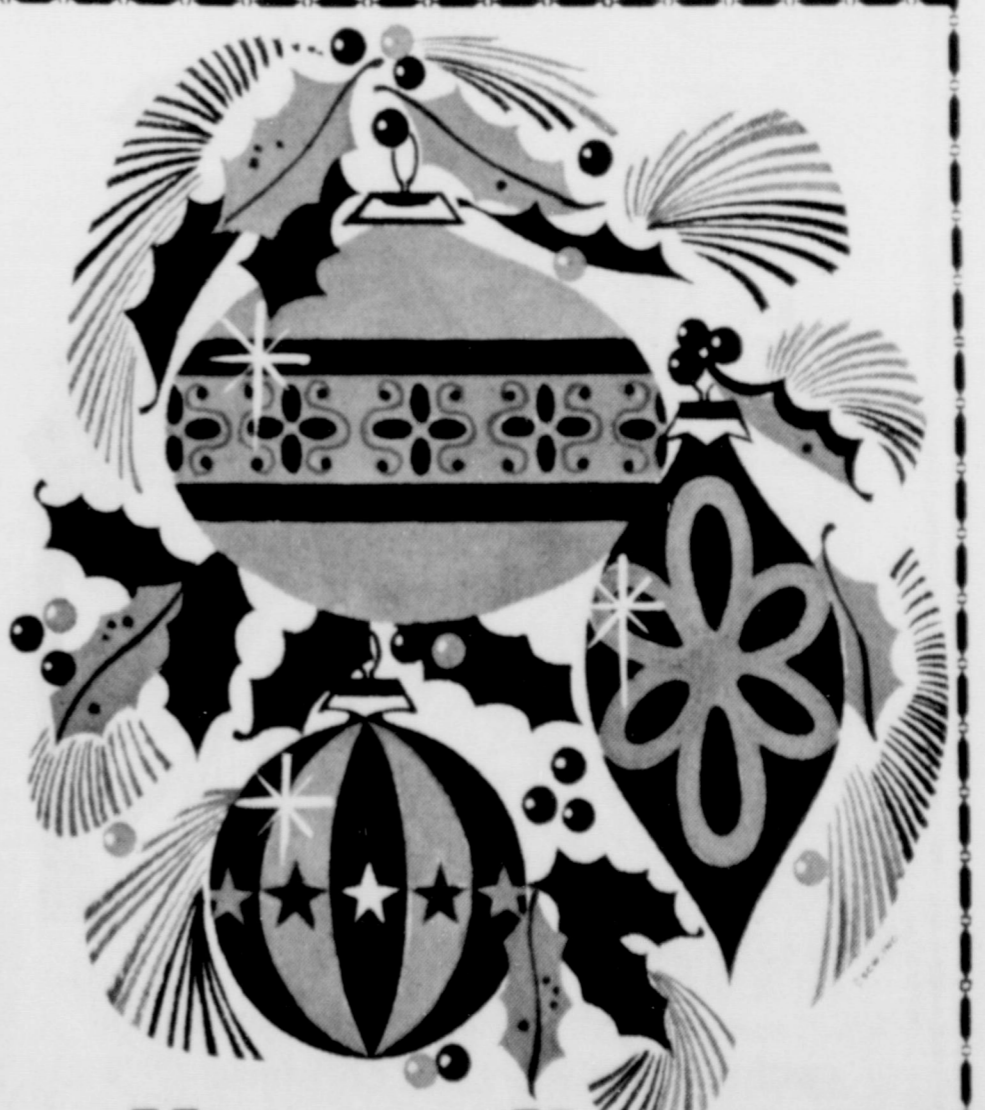
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7th Graders Lose Second Cagers Slate Holiday Play

The Friona seventh grade boys lost their second basket-

B-Team Falls To Estacado

Friona's B team boys were defeated at Lubbock Estacado Friday, December 17 by a 58-45 score.

Estacado took a 39-25 half-time lead and had their longest lead of 22 points, 49-27, with 4:10 left in the third quarter.

Friona cut the lead to the final 13 point margin at the end of the game on two free throws by Ricky Carr.

Friona	11	25	33	45
Estacado	15	39	52	58

ball game of the season Monday, December 13 at Dimmitt by the score of 55-40. Their record is 4-2, the only other loss also being to Dimmitt.

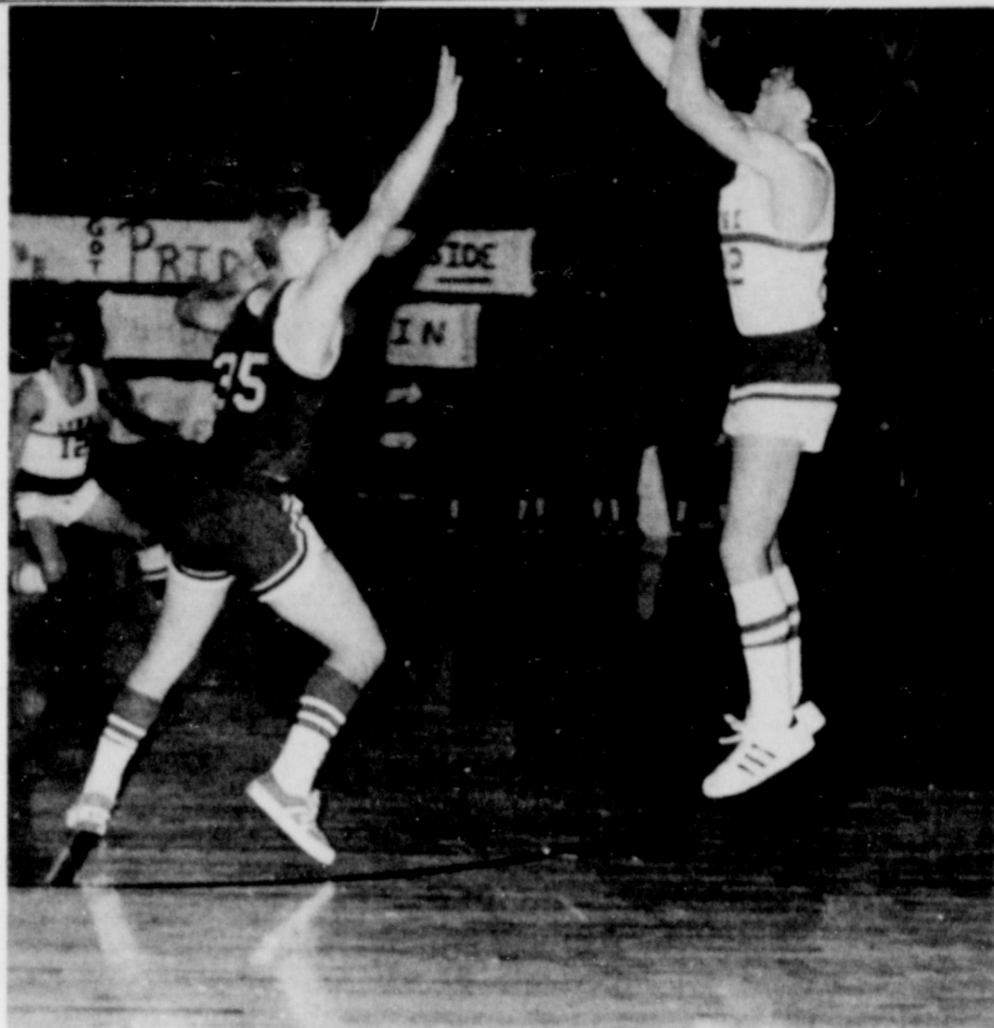
The Braves jumped off to a 2-0 lead on a basket by Keith Martin with 5:36 left on the clock. Dimmitt tied up the score 16 seconds later and Friona never led again. The score at the end of the first quarter was 7-12 and 17-23 in favor of Dimmitt at the half. Leslie Broadhurst had eight points at the half and a total of 18 for the game.

Friona	7	17	30	40
Dimmitt	12	23	40	55

The varsity boys are going to play two games during the holidays. They play Amarillo Alamo Catholic on Thursday, December 30 at 7:30 p.m. at Amarillo and they go to Adrian on Friday, December 31 and will play at 2:00 p.m.

The girls are entered in the Claude tournament December 29, 30, 31. They meet Dimmitt in their first game at 12:45 Wednesday and by winning this game they can advance to the semifinals against the winner of the Clarendon and Fritch game at 3:45 Thursday.

Otherwise, the Squaws would play the loser at 1:00 on Thursday. The finals will be at 7:00 Friday night. Other girls teams in the tournament are Claude, Panhandle, Vega and White Deer.



MISS IT! . . . Bill Bailey of the Friona Chieftains is shown in recent game action, on the defense for Friona. Both the Chieftains and Squaws will be seeing action during the holidays, the Squaws in the Claude tournament.

Ninth Grade 3rd In Meet 8th Drops Two

Friona's eighth and ninth grade boys were entered in the Muleshoe tournament December 16, 17 and 18.

Both teams met Morton on Thursday, the eighth grade played one of their best games of the season but were defeated 57-43, the ninth grade won their game 66-56.

On Friday both teams met Levelland and both were defeated, the eighth grade 51-27 and the ninth grade 58-49 in a three minute overtime.

This team had beaten our boys in the finals of the same tournament last year and went on to win the tournament this year, giving them a 43 game winning streak against no losses in three years.

Friona's ninth grade met Stanton of Hereford on Saturday for third place and won by seven points, 48-41.

Winners in the eighth grade tournament were Dimmitt first, Stanton second, Morton third, Littlefield fourth and Levelland consolation. Levelland beat Muleshoe in the finals of the ninth grade bracket, Friona took third over Stanton and Morton beat Littlefield for consolation.

Eighth Grade	
Friona	6 24 37 43
Morton	14 20 38 57

Davy Carthel, 5-8-18; Kent Miller, 4-4-12; Troy Messenger, 1-3-5; Roy Smith, 2-1-5; Doug Norwood, 1-0-2; Mike Bartlett, 0-1-1.

Ninth Grade	
Friona	13 20 24 27
Levelland	19 23 36 51

Kent Miller, 5-1-11; Davy Carthel, 2-2-6; Roy Smith, 2-0-4; Troy Messenger, 1-0-2; Doug Norwood, 1-0-2; David Barnett, 0-2-2.

Ninth Grade	
Friona	14 27 47 66
Morton	12 22 37 56

Gene Strickland, 6-8-20; Dale Cleveland, 6-6-18; Kevin Bandy, 4-2-10; Clay Bandy, 4-2-10; David Hutson, 2-0-4; Mitchell Wiseman, 1-0-2; Edward Burchett, 1-0-2.

Ninth Grade	
Friona	8 15 25 45
Levelland	8 25 32 45 58

Dale Cleveland, 10-6-26; Gene Strickland, 4-2-10; Clay Bandy, 3-3-9; Kevin Welch, 1-0-2; Mitchell Wiseman, 1-0-2.

Ninth Grade	
Friona	7 17 33 48
Stanton	10 21 35 41

Gene Strickland, 6-0-12; Dale Cleveland, 5-1-11; Clay Bandy, 5-0-10; Dee King, 4-0-8; Kevin Welch, 2-2-6; Mitchell Wiseman, 0-1-1.

Dimmitt Cagers Topple 8th, 9th Grade Teams

The Friona eighth grade boys lost their game at Dimmitt December 13, 1971, by the score of 47-22.

Friona took the lead on two free throws. Dimmitt tied it at 2-2 then went ahead 4-2 with 3:51 left in the first quarter and never trailed in the game after this. Dimmitt's longest lead of the game was 28 points, 45-17 with 5:11 left in the game.

Friona	6	14	17	22
Dimmitt	14	26	42	47

Davy Carthel, 3-1-7; Roy Smith, 3-1-7; Kent Miller, 1-1-3; Troy Messenger, 0-2-2; Juan Perez, 1-0-2; Randy Melton, 0-1-1.

Friona's freshmen boys suffered their first loss of the season to Dimmitt, December 13, 1971 by six points, 59-53.

The game was close all the way with the longest lead being seven points which Dimmitt held twice, 28-21 with 3:24 left in the first half and 38-31 with 7:03 left in the third quarter.

The game was tied four times, 14-14, 16-16, 18-18 and 20-20. Friona's only lead in the game came on a basket by Dale Cleveland with 3:44 left in the third quarter making the score 39-38.

Friona beat this team earlier in the season at Dimmitt.

Friona	16	31	44	53
Dimmitt	16	34	47	59

Dale Cleveland, 5-6-16; Clay Bandy, 6-1-15; Kevin Welch, 5-2-12; Gene Strickland, 3-0-6; Dee King, 2-0-4; David Hutson, 1-0-2.

LOSE, 71-49

Lubbock Estacado Is Too Much For Chiefs

The Friona Chieftains lost in their first ever competition with a Lubbock school, as Lubbock Estacado scored a 71-49 win at Lubbock last Friday.

However, the game was fairly close for a half.

Friona never led but was within two points, three times, 7-9 with 3:59 in the first quarter, 9-11 with 3:47 in the first quarter and 29-31 with 22 seconds left in the first half.

Estacado came back the second half and outscored Friona 18-6 in the third quarter and 20-14 in the last quarter, leaving the final score, 71-49.

Friona	11	29	35	49
Estacado	17	33	51	71

Ronnie McPherson, 6-0-12; Johnny Bandy, 4-3-11; James Bartlett, 3-2-8; Willie Bailey, 3-0-6; Bill Bailey, 3-0-6; Louis Lee, 2-0-4; Larry Fallwell, 1-0-2.

Ronnie McPherson led Friona's scoring with 12 and rebounding with 10. Johnny Bandy was close behind in both with 11 points and 9 rebounds. Larry Fallwell led the team on assists with 4.

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Letters To Santa

Dear Santa, I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me an organ for Christmas.

Love, Sandra Leal

Dear Santa, I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a Carry for Christmas.

Love, Irene Montez

Dear Santa, I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a truck for Christmas.

Love, Wayne Crowe

Dear Santa Claus, You love me. I love you. You love all of us. You are nice to me. We are all going to be in the paper. I hope that you are going to be in the paper. Please bring Miss Her-ring lots more.

Mare Pankratz

Dear Santa, I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a popcorn popper for Christmas.

Love, Shea

I want a ssp and I want a gas car and I want a electric football game and a screaming demon.

Love, Ronnie Luna

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HOLIDAY DECORATION. . . The Johnny Tannahill home, at 509 Grand Ave., is one of the many Friona homes which is gaily decorated in the spirit of the season, with an attractive yard display. A floodlight illuminates the greeting "HI" for nighttime passersby.

Eleven Attend Christmas Party

Members of the Rebekah Sunday School class of First Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. C.W. Dixon for the annual Christmas party Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Claude Osborn, who was a guest, presented the devotional.

Following a gift exchange, a money tree was prepared to be sent to the Abbotts, who are missionaries to the Spanish-American people at Espanola, New Mexico.

Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Other class members present were Mesdames E.F. Taylor, Ina Coker, C.A. Turner, C.P. Mann, Charles Rauh, Bill Cordill, Ada Moize, Maggie Tims and Annie Scott.



It has been a long time since an upcoming project has attracted as much attention as the organization of Weight Watchers in Friona. The local unit will get off the ground with a meeting at Girl Scout House Monday, January 10.

There will be more information about this project in the January 5 issue of the Star.

I'm glad it isn't my job to judge the "Best" home in the annual lighting contest this year. Think this will be done this evening and there are so many pretty decorations that I'm thinking the judges will not have an easy task to decide which one is "Best."

If the pre-school agers were judges, I feel sure the Santa and reindeer on the Raymond Jones lawn would be high on the list. Then, the Frank A. Springs have a jolly old St. Nick and group of reindeer with Rudolph leading on their front lawn, so with the younger set there might be a toss-up.

Since this will be our last paper for the current year, we would like to express our most sincere appreciation to all our advertisers, readers, news sources, neighbors and friends for their cooperation during 1971.

Working with you has been a pleasure and we are looking forward to a great New Year. Perhaps a good slogan for next year would be: "What's new for '72?"

The following bit of verse very aptly expresses what I would like for 1972 to bring me. The author is unknown.

FOR THIS NEW YEAR
This I would like to be: braver and bolder;
Just a bit wiser because I am older;
Just a bit kinder to those I may meet;
Just a bit manlier, taking defeat.
This for the New Year my wish and my plea. . .
May this year make a real Christian of me!!

This I would like to be: just a bit finer;
More of a smiler and less of a whiner;
Just a bit quicker to stretch out my hand,
Helping another who's struggling to stand.
This is my prayer for the New Year to be. . .
May this year make a real Christian of me!!

This I would like to be: just a bit truer,
Less of a wisher and more of the doer;
Broader and bigger, more willing to give;
Living and helping my neighbor to live.
This for the New Year my prayer and my plea. . .
May this year make a real Christian of me!!

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Progressive Dinner Is Party Highlight

Highlight of the Tuesday evening Christmas party of Progressive Study Club was a progressive dinner.

Appetizers were served in the home of Mrs. M.C. Osborn. Mrs. Clarence Monroe assisted Mrs. Osborn.

Roll call was answered with "A Christmas gift I'd give America."

Mrs. Von Edelman assisted Mrs. Steve Bavousett in serving

the main course at the Bavousett home. Mrs. Jimmy Mabry presented the meditation.

Dessert was served in the home of Mrs. Tom Pruett with Mrs. Hollis Horton assisting with hospitalities.

Following a singing session with Mrs. Dale Cary directing, was a gift exchange, "A beauty-pick me up."

Thirteen members and one guest, Mrs. Ron Cain, attended.

Gift Exchange Highlights Party

Highlight of the annual Christmas party of Rhea Home Demonstration Club in the home of Mrs. Cordie Potts with Mrs. Larry Potts as co-hostess was a gift exchange. Following the exchange secret pals were revealed and new names were drawn.

Following singing of Christ-

mas carols and a game session, Swedish tea ring, home made candy and Christmas coffee were served by the hostesses.

Members present were Mesdames Floyd Schlenker, Elmo Dean, Franklin Bauer, Andy Anderson, Herman Grissom, Walter Mitmar, Tommy Smock, Leroy Widner, Keith Garner, Wendell Garner, Shirley Smith, Walter Schueler, Herbert Schueler, Norman Taylor, Jack Patterson and Wayne Bass.

Also Mrs. Bill Brandt, who is a new member of the club and Mrs. Leland Gustin and Diana. Guests were Mrs. Dwain Ridley and daughter, Jo, Clovis; Mrs. Mabelle Hartwell, Mrs. Ralph Wilson and Mrs. Carl Schlenker, all of Friona.

Project Xmas Card

Goal Is Exceeded

Announcement was made Tuesday afternoon that Project Christmas Card, which is sponsored by Modern Study Club and Friona Star each year, had exceeded the goal set for 1971.

Plans have been made for funds from this year's project to be used for updating the operating room at Parmer County Community Hospital and it had been estimated that \$2400 would be the minimum amount needed.

Deposits in the fund at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday had reached a total of \$2732.

Homemakers

Have Program

The Friona Young Homemakers met last Wednesday afternoon in the Home Economics rooms of Friona High School. Their program was "Festive Foods" presented by Marilyn O'Dowd, who is a representative of Southwestern Public Service Company.

She demonstrated holiday uses for the blender and electric fondue pot. Foods prepared by Miss O'Dowd were then sampled by members of the club.

Among those present were Mrs. Jim Roy Wells, Mrs. Danny Black, Mrs. Eugene Bandy, Mrs. Mickey Wilson, Mrs. Ray DeBard and one guest Mrs. Jerry Wikle.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Riethmayer and son, Brenton, of College Station, are visiting in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Riethmayer and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Elliott.

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Report

This is the second year in a row that the project has exceeded its goal. In 1970 a total of \$3600 was contributed by local residents and firms. Last year's contributions were used to purchase a heart monitor.

It's A Girl For Mickey Griffins

Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Griffin, 1310 North Washington, became parents of a baby girl at 9:45 a.m. Thursday, December 9, at Parmer County Community Hospital.

She was named Heather Denise and weighed 5 lbs. 12 ozs. Heather has one brother, Michael Keith, who is three.

Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Griffin, Hereford, and Mr. and Mrs. K.A. Gore, Borger.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Gore of Ceiling, Oklahoma, are the great-grandparents.

Bible Study Group

Has Christmas Lunch

A Christmas lunch in the home of Mrs. C.W. Tannahill, 1610 West Tenth, Tuesday, was hosted by Mrs. John Taylor and Mrs. Phillip Weatherly.

Members of the Gracious Woman Bible Study Group were invited guests. Special guests were nursery workers of First Baptist Church, who were presented gifts.

Mrs. Curtis Murphree, who was also a guest, presented, "I Am Mary, The Mother of Jesus."

A gift was presented to Mrs. Charles Allen, coordinator of the program.

Gifts were brought for the Baptist orphanage at Portales, New Mexico.

Best Wishes for Christmas

To you... the family, too! We wish the merriest and brightest.

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The Library Corner

BY MRS. VON EDELMON

We would like to remind you that the library will be closed December 24 January 3, 1972. If you need to return books during that time, the book drop will be available.

Since the library will be closed for the week after Christmas, be sure to stock up on reading material. After the Christmas rush is over you will need to sit down and rest after Christmas - so why don't you do it with a good book.

The library has available a gift for the person who already has everything - a book on the shelf in his or her honor. A gift of a book to the library derives benefits many times

over. The money you invest in a good book gives continuing dividends to many people. Consider it!

We have some suggestions for your after Christmas reading. The junior readers might enjoy "Green-lip" or "The Story of Your Skin."

For the adult readers we have "The Story of Early Territorial Governors" or "Tornado," the story of Texas tornadoes. If fiction is your interest read "The Young Elizabeth," the story of Queen Elizabeth I.

If the whole family reads together we have "The Family Book of Best Loved Poems."

Blackburns Host Church Christmas Party

Members of the seventh and eighth grade Bible class of Sixth Street Church of Christ were honored with a party in the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Blackburn Sunday evening.

Hosts were Mike Blackburn, Larry Broyles and Phillip Hand. They served ham, potato salad, green beans, corn and jello salad. A game session followed the meeting.

Gag football awards were presented to team members as follows: Kent Miller, most offensive, can of deodorant; Mitchell Smiley, dirtiest player, bar of soap; Phillip Hand, smiling Jack, tube of toothpaste; Mike Blackburn, best pass receiver, date with girl; Larry Broyles, most spirited, take bottle of spirits; and Davy Carthel, most invaluable, trophy.

Class members and guests present were Kent Miller, Davy Carthel, Sherri Thorn, Cathy Cunningham, Janice Peak, Melodi Dixon, Billy Sue Benham, Johns Thorn, Mike Blackburn, Phillip Hand, Mitchell Smiley and Larry Broyles.

Black Study Club Has Christmas Luncheon

Seventeen members of Black Study Club and one guest were present for a Christmas luncheon at Dickie's Restaurant in Hereford at noon Friday.

Roll call was answered with suggestions for Christmas.

Following a gift exchange, names of secret pals were revealed and new names were drawn.

The centerpiece, which was a Christmas tree with red berries and greenbacks, was presented to Mrs. Glyn Hamilton,

president.

Others present were Mrs. Bill Carthel, Mrs. F.W. Barnett, Mrs. Dick Rokey, Mrs. Clyde Hays, Mrs. Johnny Mars, Mrs. Gene Welch, Mrs. Cliff Allmon, Mrs. Ellis Tanum and granddaughter, Holly Tanum and Mrs. T. J. Presley.

Also Mrs. Teddy Fangman, Mrs. Ted White, Mrs. Helen Fangman, Mrs. Travis Stone, Mrs. Harry Lookingbill, Mrs. Ethel Bengler and Mrs. Roscoe Ivie.

Ed Bogness Honored With Family Dinner

A family birthday dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bogness Saturday honored Ed Bogness, who was observing his 82nd birthday. He and his wife and all five of their children and their spouses were present.

Others attending included ten grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Present, besides the host couple, guest of honor and his wife, were Mr. and Mrs. T.A. Shirley; Mr. and Mrs. G.E. Reed; Mr. and Mrs. W.R. Rietmayer and Mr. and Mrs. Truett Johnson.

Also Mrs. Ralph Reed, Mona, Jeannette and Max; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bandy, Johnny, Clay and Todd; Kay and Jill Rietmayer and Ricky and Tony Johnson.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rietmayer and Brenton of College Station and Mrs. Mark Womble, Amarillo.

Manuel Pacheco Receives Award

Army Specialist Five Manuel E. Pacheco, 23, whose mother Mrs. Lupe V. Pacheco, and wife, Mary, live in Friona, Texas, recently was awarded a certificate of achievement near Darmstadt, Germany.

He earned the award for meritorious service as a member of the 57th Personnel Service Company.

Spe. Pacheco entered the Army in January 1968, completed basic training at Ft. Polk, Louisiana, and was last stationed in Vietnam. He holds two awards of the Army commendation medal and Vietnamese gallantry cross.

The Specialist is a 1966 graduate of Friona High School.

Dear Santa Claus, I would like a Structo double-deck steel trailer. For Christmas, And a Eldon 1/32 road race set.

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Your friend, Chencho Basquez Jr.



MR. AND MRS. DICK HABBINGA

Habbingas Honored With Golden Wedding Reception

A golden wedding reception in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Habbinga, 504 East Ninth, was hosted by Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McCombs, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Haynes, Mrs. Glen Minus and Glenda and Mrs. Vicki Harrison.

Dick Habbinga and Selma Klem were married December 17, 1921 at Abernathy, where they lived three years before moving to a farm in the Lakeview Community of Parmer County. The couple farmed and ranched in that community, which is south-east of Friona, for eighteen years before moving to their present home.

The serving table was covered with a gold lace cloth over white and centered with an arrangement of yellow gold mums and straw flowers in a gold colored candelabra compote.

A tiered cake decorated with white and gold and topped with gold numerals "50" surrounded with tiny white roses, crystal punch service and gold serving pieces completed the table setting.

Pockets Full Of Prizes Is Club Meeting Theme

Theme of the Thursday evening meeting of New Horizons Junior Study Club at Federated Club House was "Pockets Full of Prizes." Mrs. Kenneth Ferguson presented Glad Tidings.

Roll call was answered by relating an experience of helping someone else and receiving a blessing from it.

The club collect was read by Mrs. Jerry Wikle.

Mrs. Dale Houlette, president, conducted a brief busi-

ness meeting. Mrs. Valton Howard, Mrs. Jimmy Bynum and Mrs. Jerry Wikle were appointed to serve as a nominating committee for a new slate of officers with Mrs. Howard as chairman.

Those present were Mesdames Houlette, Ferguson, Wikle, Howard and Bynum. The hostess, Mrs. Houlette, served refreshments of hot Dr. Pepper, chips and dips.

Wedding Reminders

Cynthia Elaine Wiseman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Wiseman, will exchange wedding vows with Michael S. Proctor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Billie Rae Proctor Sr. of Midland at 4:00 p.m. Friday, December 31, at First Baptist Church.

Wedding vows will be exchanged between Joan Gail Brookfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Brookfield, and Richard Davis Browning, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Browning, Dallas, at 5:00 p.m. Friday, December 31, at Friona United Methodist Church.

Women's Society Officers Are Formally Installed

Formal installation of new officers of the Women's Society of Friona United Methodist Church followed a supper in Fellowship Hall Thursday evening. Members of the program committee were hostesses.

The serving tables were decorated by the circle leaders. Names of new circle members were revealed during the meal.

Officers installed were Mrs. Ted White, president; Mrs. Jerry London, vice-president; Mrs. Floyd Reeve, treasurer and Mrs. John Gaede, secretary.

Chairmen of the program areas are as follows: Mrs. A.L. Outland, Christian social relations; Mrs. Howard Ford, missionary education; Mrs. Arthur Drake, spiritual growth; Mrs. J. Vonne Fulks, local church responsibility; Mrs. Dale Cary, membership and Mrs. Earl Hawkins, nominations.

New circle leaders are Mrs. A.S. Grubbs, Hannah; Mrs. Danny Smith, Ruth and Mrs. Earl Hawkins, Dorcas.

Mrs. Darrell Simpson was the installing officer and Mrs. Floyd Reeve was in charge of the pledge service.

Mrs. Ed Clark, outgoing president, was presented a silver tray.

Mrs. Nellie Riddle of Sun City, Arizona, was a guest. Members present were Mesdames Leta Tannahill, Kenyth Cass, Danny Smith, Ed Clark, J.G. McFarland, James H. Boyle, Earl Hawkins, Ted White and Howard Ford.

Also Mesdames Floyd Reeve, Dale Cary, Jerry London, A.L. Outland, Jerry Brown, Arthur Drake, A.S. Grubbs, Russel O'Brian, George Jones, Albert Lindley, Garland Freeman, Darrell Simpson and W.M. Stewart.

Dear Santa Claus, Please bring Mrs. Herring a present for Christmas and me too.

Love, Lana Lane

Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me a Barbie doll. I want to get a Barbie doll that talks. You are a good dear Santa Claus.

Love, Carmen

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Bridal Shower Fetes

Joan Gail Brookfield

A miscellaneous bridal shower in Fellowship Hall of Friona United Methodist Church, from 2 to 4 p.m. Thursday, December 9, was a courtesy for Joan Gail Brookfield, who will exchange wedding vows with Richard Davis Browning later this month.

The serving table was covered with a white imported damask cloth and centered with an arrangement of roses and carnations in two shades of pink. Crystal and silver serving pieces complemented the table setting.

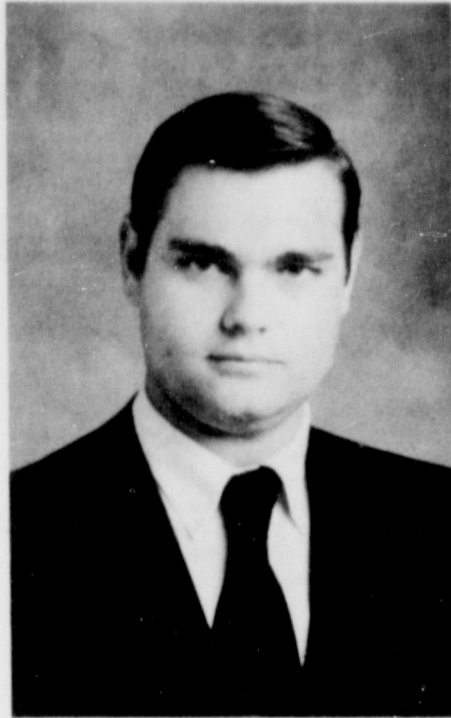
Cookies, hot spiced punch, nuts and mints were served by

the hostesses, Mrs. Ed White, Mrs. W.B. Fulgham, Mrs. Joe Moyer, Mrs. Arthur Drake, Mrs. Elvie Jennings, Mrs. Louis Welch, Mrs. Aubrey Rhodes and Mrs. Raymond Schueler.

Also Mrs. Ernest Osborn, Mrs. T.A. Kelley, Mrs. Lois Weatherly, Mrs. Allen Stewart, Mrs. Eric Rushing, Mrs. W.H. Ford, Mrs. Elvin Wilson, Mrs. E.G. Phipps and Mrs. O.J. Beene.

Guests were registered by Mrs. Phipps.

The hostess gift was an electric skillet.



"WE WILL NOT BE HOME FOR CHRISTMAS"... Rex Talley, who is a member of the 100 voice choir of Baylor University, Waco, and his sister, Pattijon, will not be home for Christmas this year. The two are touring the Holy Land with the choir and will be sightseeing between concerts. This is the third annual Christmas Choir Festival. The group plans to return to New York and home December 30.



Local Brother, Sister Make Holy Land Tour

Rex and Pattijon Talley, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Talley, 1212 White Avenue, left from Waco with Baylor Choir Monday for a ten day tour of the Holy Land.

Rex, who is a sophomore student at Baylor, sings with the choir.

The group flew from JFK International Airport to Tel Aviv-Jaffa and from there to Jerusalem.

Some places of interest, which were on the tour agenda were the Garden Tomb, St. Stephen's Gate, the Pool of Bethesda, the Dome of the Rock, built on the ancient site of Solomon's Temple and the Traditional Tomb of Mary.

The 100 voice choir will participate in six choir concerts in Israel and two in Athens. Choir members will also attend an Israeli Folklore presentation.

On Christmas Day the choir will sing following the world wide television show of Bob Hope.

Trista Shelton Born Thursday

Trista Ann is the name Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Shelton, 1105 Elm Avenue, chose for the baby girl born to them at 1:26 a.m. Thursday, December 16, at Parmer County Community Hospital. She weighed 5 lbs. 12 ozs.

Trista Ann is the first daughter for the Sheltons. Her brothers are Trent, 4, and Tate, sixteen months.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Olin Shelton and Mrs. Iona Hickman, Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Denton, Post, and Mr. and Mrs. B.L. Pickens, Spur, are the great-grandparents.

Schlenkers Observe Silver Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schlenker observed their 25th wedding anniversary on December 14.

They were honored with a dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bob Johnson, and later at their home with a reception on Sunday, December 19.

Cake and coffee were served to Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Bauer, Carla and Steve; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schueler and Gary; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Schueler, Glen, Mike, Carrie and Sandra; Herman Schueler; Gilbert Schueler; Mrs. F.T. Schlenker;

Gees Hosts For Annual Coffee

Faculty members and personnel of the Friona Elementary School were entertained with an annual Christmas Coffee Wednesday afternoon in the J.T. Gee home.

Special guests were Mrs. Otho Whitefield and Mr. and Mrs. Alton Farr.

Table appointments in the Christmas motif were accented by silver pieces and a candle arrangement. Refreshments of fruitcake, nut bread, candies, cookies and punch were served to the thirty-eight attending.

First Child Born To Charles Rays

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ray became parents of a baby girl at 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 14, at Parmer County Community Hospital. She weighed 8 lbs. 6 ozs. and was named Charles Brandy.

Brandy is the first child for the Rays. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John L. Ray, J.W. Shelton of Floyd, Texas, is the great-grandfather.

Crow-Loafman Vows

Read In Fort Worth

In a double ring ceremony at St. John's Episcopal Church in Fort Worth Saturday, November 27, Cynthia Crow of that city became the bride of Numan Dwight Loafman of Lubbock. Rev. John R. Leatherbury, rector, was the officiant.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Archibald E. Crow, 5616 Wimpleton Way, Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. Loy W. Loafman, Route 1, Friona.

Mrs. C. David Roach was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Julie Cates and Linda Steele.

Her attendants were identically attired in gowns of thistle velvet. They were designed with fitted bodices and long slender sleeves. Ivory lace delicately touched with lavender and moss groom formed a delicate effect and accentuated high lace collars. The carpet length skirts were softly gathered onto the empire waistlines.

Bill Loafman of Friona was his brother's best man. Ushers were Archibald E. Crow Jr., brother of the bride, Donald Loafman, Olton, brother of the groom, David Davis and C. David Roach.

As the bride was escorted and presented in marriage by her father, she wore a gown of candlelight silk faille trimmed with English net and jeweled re-embroidered Alencon lace. The fitted bodice featured a yoke effect of pearls radiating outward and downward from the stand up lace collar and long tapered sleeves of English net and jeweled lace.

Appliques of jeweled lace were scattered down the front of the slender A line skirt, which was carpet length and swept to a chapel train.

Her finger-to length veil of candlelight silk illusion was attached to a fluffed lace coil. She carried a bouquet of white stephanotis and Jack Frost roses tied with white satin love knots.

Special guests were Mrs. Roy Gibson of Fort Worth and Mrs. Pearl Crow of Wewoka, Oklahoma, both grandmothers of the bride.

A reception at Colonial Country Club honored Mr. and Mrs. Loafman, who left for a ski trip to Crested Butte, Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Loafman are at home in Lubbock, where he is a senior animal business major at Texas Tech University. He is a 1964 graduate of Friona High School and has completed a tour of duty with the United States Army. He was stationed in Korea two years.

Mrs. Loafman is a former Texas Tech student.



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So those who were saved were added BY THE LORD to His church. Since Christ is the savior of the body (Eph. 5:23) and his body is the church (Col. 1:24; Eph. 1:22-23) it follows that the New Testament teaches that one must be a member of the Lord's church in order to be saved. Questions invited. Address "What Does The Bible Say?" Box 515, Friona, Texas.

Sharing Is Theme Of Club Meeting

The Tuesday evening meeting of Modern Study Club was planned around Helen Steiner Rice's quotation, "We find the way of life and living is not in keeping, but in giving."

"Christmas In the Country," began at 8:00 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Ralph Wilson. Mrs. Frank A. Spring led the invocation.

A Christmas Story was presented by Mrs. Dave Thompson.

Women's Fellowship Has Christmas Meeting

The Tuesday afternoon meeting of Women's Fellowship of Union Congregational Church was a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Robert Alexander, 401 West Fifteenth, with Mrs. Walter Loveless as co-hostess.

Mrs. Otho Whitefield presented the origin of Christmas and many of the customs observed today.

Following a gift exchange, refreshments of congealed salads, party sandwiches, hot tea and coffee, were served by the hostesses.

Others present were Mesdames Paul Lee, Lillie Taylor, O.F. Lange, Floyd Schlenker, Carl Maurer, R.R. McKee, Bert Shackelford and Viola Treider.

Mr. and Mrs. Numan Loafman of Lubbock were weekend visitors in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Loy W. Loafman.

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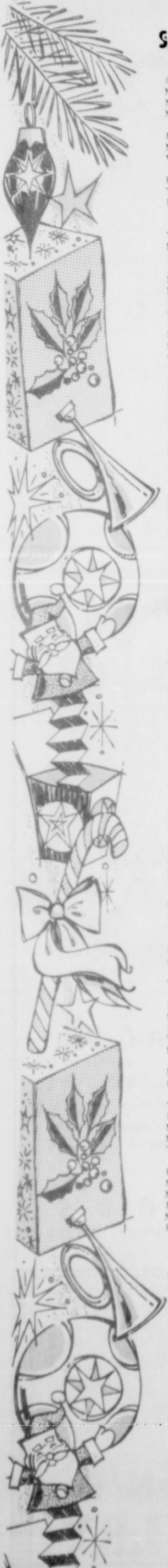
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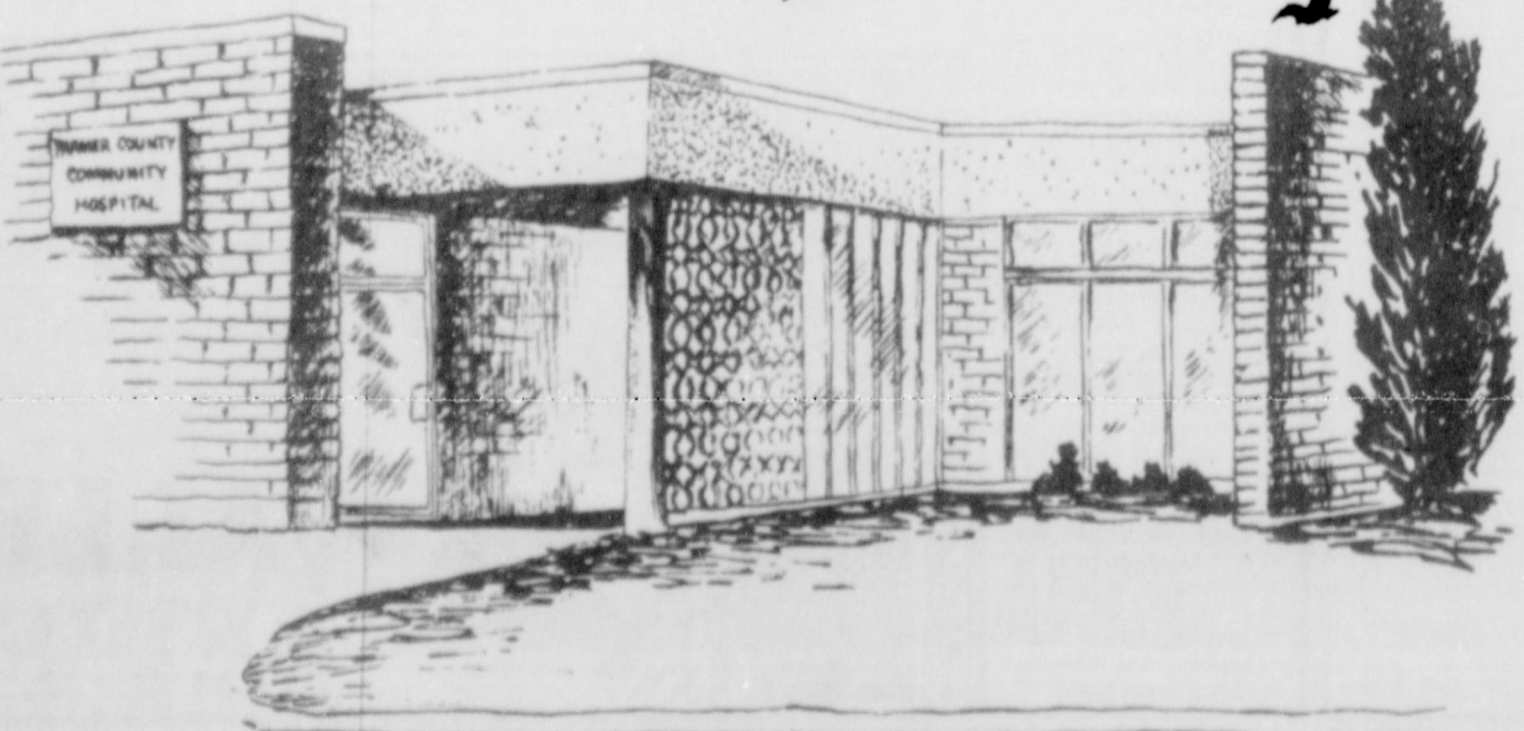
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**"Do It Yourself" Philosophy
Typifies Friona Homemaker**

For the past several years a large number of hobbies have developed around the "Do It Yourself" philosophy. One Friona homemaker, who learned this, not as a hobby, but as a way of life at an early age is Mrs. Ralph McBroom.

She was the second child in a family of seven in a small western Oklahoma town, Sentinel. Her father died when she was eight and it was necessary for her widowed mother to seek employment outside her home to provide for her family.

Beulah remembers, "It was necessary for those of us who were older to assist with the care of the younger children, but each of us had jobs to do and were taught the importance of working together."

As a young girl she learned to cook, sew, grow and preserve fruits and vegetables and do handwork.

Following her graduation from Sentinel High School, she and Ralph were married in Alton, Oklahoma, and lived in Sentinel for a few years. During World War II the McBrooms moved to California and stayed about ten years. Their daughter, Kay, was born during this time.

In 1956 the McBroom family moved to a farm northwest of Friona and lived there until a few months ago when they moved into their present home at 1112 Etta.

Their daughter, Kay, who is a 1965 graduate of Friona High School, is married to Jesse Moore of Odessa. They have one son, Jason, who was two in October.

Crocheting and knitting have long been hobbies of this busy homemaker, who also re-finishes trunks, makes Christmas tree decorations, sews and does other kinds of hand work.

She knits and crochets afghans, coats and other articles for her home and for gifts for others. At the present time she

is working on her tenth knitted coat by a popular pattern. She also finds time to assist neighbors and friends with their knitting and crocheting problems.

"I've always made clothes for myself and Kay," she says, "but never before have I had the privilege of sewing for a little boy and thoroughly enjoy making things for Jason to wear."

A few years ago Mrs. McBroom became interested in making decorations for the family Christmas tree. She made a large number of ornaments, which are covered with different kinds and colors of material and decorated with beads and sequins.

Relatives gave her old pieces of jewelry for her project and in addition to the Christmas tree ornaments she has made a memory mirror, which is surrounded by pieces of jewelry. She has also re-finished an antique trunk and has a large number of decorative pieces, which she has made, in her home.

Her mother and several other members of her family now live in California, and she visits them often enough to keep a supply of persimmons on hand for holiday baking.

She graciously shared two of her favorite recipes with us. Perhaps Texas or Oklahoma persimmons would do just as well as those from California.

Persimmon Cookies
1/2 cup shortening
2 teaspoons soda
1 cup sugar
1 egg
2 cups flour
1 cup persimmon pulp
1/2 teaspoon each cinnamon, cloves and nutmeg
1 cup nuts
1 cup raisins
1 cup dates

Cream sugar, shortening and eggs. Sift flour and all dry ingredients, except soda. Dissolve soda in persimmon pulp

and add to creamed mixture alternately with the dry ingredients. Mix in nuts, raisins and dates.

Drop by teaspoonfuls onto greased cookie sheet.

Bake at 350 degrees for 15 minutes.

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Persimmon Pudding
1 cup persimmon pulp
2 teaspoons soda
1 cup sugar
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1 cup milk
1 cup flour
2 tablespoons butter
1 egg
1/2 cup dates
1/2 cup chopped nuts

Mix persimmon pulp, sugar, milk and softened butter. Mix dry ingredients then add to first mixture. Dredge fruit and nuts with flour and add to mixture.

Grease a casserole dish thoroughly and pour in batter. Cover with two layers of waxed paper and steam in Dutch oven combination for 2-1/4 hours.



YESTERYEAR . . . This illustration depicts a Christmas observance prior to the turn of the century. Candies and miniature dolls and playthings were included in tree decorations.



ALL THESE ORNAMENTS AND NO CHRISTMAS TREE. . . The Ralph McBrooms, who live at 1112 Etta, are planning to spend the Christmas holidays with their daughter, Kay Moore, her husband, Jesse, and their son, Jason, in Odessa, so decided against putting up a Christmas tree this year. Since Mrs. McBroom had so many beautiful hand made ornaments for a tree, she came up with the idea of hanging them on the dining room drapes for a festive look. She is pictured here pointing to the first one she made. The red felt cloth on the table is also one of her own making. Green candles, a red candle ring and all the brightly colored ornaments on beige drapes gave the McBroom home a holiday atmosphere even without the traditional Christmas tree.

**Christians Celebrate Holy Day
With Prayer and Thanksgiving**

For those who celebrate Christmas as a holy day, the holiday is greeted with rejoicing, with prayer and thanksgiving, in church and private devotions.

The word "greeting" has a special significance here, for herald angels singing to shepherds in the fields and a star shining in the heavens truly brought greetings—according to the Revised Standard Version of the Bible, "good news of great joy which will come to all people."

Long before the December 25 birthdate of Christ was celebrated in devotions, it had marked a season set aside for another kind of greeting. In Northern Europe, Teutonic tribes of pagan times greeted the rebirth of the sun, of the winter solstice.

Earliest celebrations of Christmas combined some of the ancient pagan traditions. By association with Christian beliefs, old customs of greeting the sun became symbolic of a recognition—a greeting of faith, hope and life eternal.

**Songs of Season Carrying
Merry, Modern Message**

As families and friends gather to sing carols, as carolers roam from home to home, as happy notes ring out in church services and other gatherings, the familiar and favorite songs of the season celebrate the pure joy of Christmas.

Busy about his holiday tasks, one singer alone might "carol joyfully," just for the gladness of it. The Christmas treasures of heart and spirit are his in fullest measure, for carols belong to people everywhere, and most especially to every individual.

Carols are simple and sincere, merry and joyful, usually religious and sometimes secular. Some carols are ancient indeed and some are of today. But whatever a carol's age or origin, one thing is always true.

All carols are modern. Their spirit is that of the first of all Christmas songs, "Gloria to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men," sung by an angelic chorus.

Their message, like the age-old Christmas story, is as fresh and new as tomorrow.

Hymns Were Latin

By its very character, a carol brings "Glad tidings of great joy" or, to put it more simply, "Good news." The French carols known as "Noels" express this with the use of the word "Noel" or "Nowell" as a refrain—and "Nowell" means "news."

Scholar's Latin was the language of the first Christmas hymns, the forerunners of present-day carols.

Typical of those ancient hymns is a leaf from an illuminated manuscript, now in the Library of The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City.

The leaf features a dramatic initial letter, illustrating the Nativity scene and "illuminated" by touches of gold. It's the work of an unknown 15th-century Italian artist.

The hymn celebrates the birth of Christ, Son of God and Saviour of Man. Its source is an Antiphony, or collection of antiphons—songs to be sung in response or alternate parts.

Though the Latin words may look complicated to a nonscholarly eye, the music is simplicity itself—notes for a basic melody.

Simple as it is, this hymn comes from an era which saw the beginning of greater complexity in music. Toward the end of the 15th century, church music became not only a religious inspiration but a moving force in musical development.

Rhythms became more complex, and counterpoint began to evolve.

Changes took place in the language of Christmas song, too, for Latin was no longer a language understood by all.

The solution? "Macaronic" carols, which may suggest something to eat—but "macaroni" adds a "c" to become "macaronic" and gain a new meaning—"in two languages."

Macaronic carols combined Latin with a language that the

common people understood.

Dancing with Joy

A Christmas carol might also be a Christmas dance.

Origin of the word "carol" itself seems to trace back to the French word, "caroler" meaning to dance, and carols of yesteryear may have been sung by carolers dancing in a circle.

Full of rejoicing, the carols we sing today literally dance with holiday merriment.

Singing "Wassail"

Traditionally, carols go with the feasting and toasting that are part of holiday cheer, for a "wassail bowl" is any festive beverage, and a "wassail" is also a carol.

The "wassail" was one of the earlier forms of English carol—named, probably, for the Anglo-Saxon "weshal," translated as "to be hale or hearty."



On key this season . . . good tidings for all, and a warm "thanks" to our many patrons.

Chalet e' Bonte
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Happy Holidays



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Good Etiquette Is Not Reserved For Royalty

When Queen Mary was asked to name the most important subject in the education of a potential monarch, she answered in one word: "Manners!"

Many a successful executive, homemaker and career girl would give the same answer if asked about his or her assets, but how do people develop the knack of saying and doing the right things?

Long a guide for etiquette, the noted author, Emily Post, said good manners come from the heart, and you'll also recall, the Bible says of man, "As he thinketh in his heart, so he is."

Now it doesn't necessarily mean you must undergo surgery for heart transplant, in order to have a change of heart that makes you do and say what is right. But if you do care about people at work, or in a social situation, or even at home where all too often, unfortunately, the best foot forward is not put, you can learn the courteous thing to do and be kind.

You can begin with five basic concerns: the senses! In brief, if you are thoughtful about other people's five senses you will become more sensitive and perhaps in time a veritable sensation!

Here are five sensible rules to remember:

1. Eyes. Be easy on the eyes and dress (including cosmetics) in a "manner" that shows you care for another person's viewpoint, literally.

2. Ears. Is your voice shrill? Rough? Loud? Too soft? Speaking with a nicely modulated, melodious voice falls softly on the ears. Practice listening to yourself.

3. Nose. Personal hygiene, as important for men as for women, makes you kind to another's nose. You'll be snifty if in addition to daily showers you are also thoughtful enough to use something such as Man-Power aerosol antiperspirant.

4. Taste. You'll taste better when kissed if, in addition to regular dental appointments you also keep on hand a refreshing mouthwash to use at home and at work.

5. Touch. A well-scrubbed skin made smooth and kept soft and moist with creams will also keep you off the offensive fence, more fun off than on.

Once you have carried through on being kind to the five senses, you'll find it fun to use all your own five to contemplate the different customs in various parts of the world.

In Japan, for instance, etiquette demands you remove "walking" shoes on entering a temple. Slippers are worn inside and floors are kept spotless. In yet other places in the world it's considered ill-mannered to use the same handkerchief twice!

In Europe, Amy Vanderbilt points out, it is quite proper to use a toothpick at dinner, with the table napkin held as a screen, but in America, one is supposed to remove themselves from the table to dislodge the food.

The American and Continental use of the knife and fork also vary. The American uses a knife only to cut with. In Europe the knife can be used to pile food on the back of the fork and food is then transferred to the mouth with the left hand still holding the fork.

Americans generally place their napkin in the lap, whereas in different regions of the world it's proper to tuck the napkin in the collar.

Americans are very quick to use first names, although Eastern and Southern communities are more conservative in this matter, but Europeans—and especially Asians—prefer introducing a relationship in a formal manner, with proper title and last name.

Etiquette, it's true, involves not only the heart and the senses, but also protocol which must be learned with the head. But don't be discouraged! If your heart is in the right place, and you're sensitive, you can get the facts for your head out of books. This is true even if you don't have to think, as Queen Mary did, about the most important subject in the education of a King or Queen.



ETIQUETTE FOR EVERYONE



Decorating for Christmas

Indoors, outdoors, all around the house—Christmas is the season for decorating, and what a wealth of decorations there are!

The tree seems to be just the beginning. Its ornaments and lights become continually more varied and delightful.

Wreaths and greens, plants and bouquets, table centerpieces and window adornments appear in the home.

Outdoors, decorations range from a string of lights and a wreath on the door to manger scenes to such creations as Santa, sleigh and reindeer up on the roof-top.

Some of the yard and roof embellishments are real works of art—no wonder communities give prizes for outdoor decorating and lighting.

A diversity of designs for decorating are ready-made,

offering welcome help during the bustling holiday season.

Still, it's fun to use personal ingenuity and creativity in making unusual Yule decorations, suggest the editors of the Grolier Universal Encyclopedia.

One thought might appeal to bird-lovers: Place a wreath, ready- or hand-made, outside a window. "Decorate" it with foods tasty to birds, such as peanuts, popcorn, cranberries and bits of suet.

Simple, personal touches make a difference. For instance, greens, ribbons and glittering balls can be attractively arranged on a table or shelf.

Just putting some colorful ornaments and pine cones in a big glass bowl brightens things up.

Set the kids to stringing

cranberries and popcorn in the good old-fashioned way.

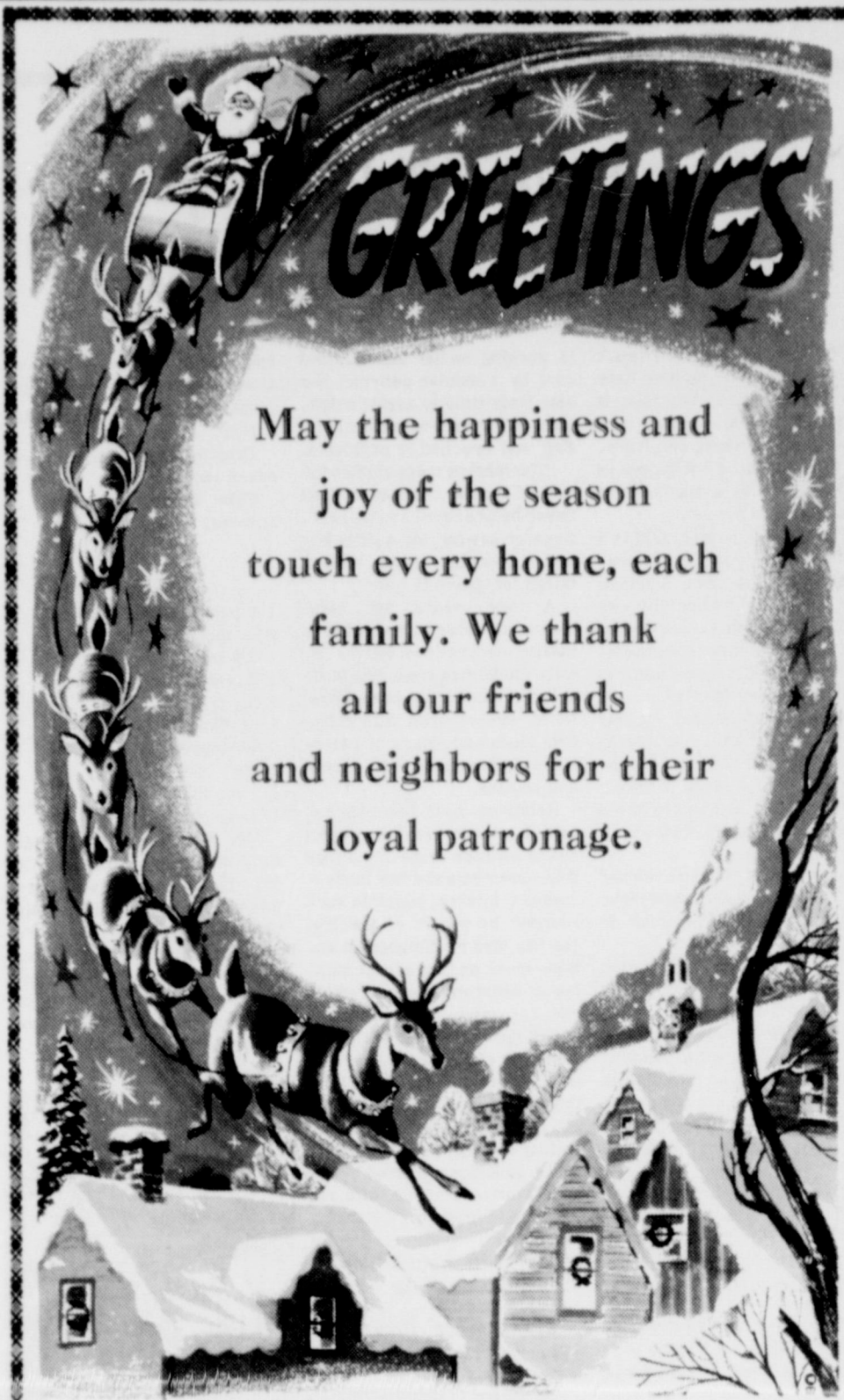
It's surprising how pleasingly they blend with the modern marvels of tree ornaments.

Every area of the home deserves some holiday accents. How about fastening candy canes to a broad, bright ribbon and draping it around the kitchen bulletin board?

For the more ambitious, there's the kissing bunch, an old English tradition.

An easy way to make one is to buy a ball of plastic foam. Greens—red-berried holly for color, mistletoe for kissing—can be inserted in the foam ball. Then a gala red bow and length of ribbon to hang it by are all that's needed.

Too late for this season? Much of the joy of Christmas is planning for the next one.



May the happiness and joy of the season touch every home, each family. We thank all our friends and neighbors for their loyal patronage.

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John Blackburn
Kathrine Blackburn

Nelson Welch
Lorraine Welch

Fred Ferguson
Frankie Allen
Arlen May

O Holy Night

All is calm. Peace reigns.
Hearts are light with the joys of Christmas. And thoughts turn to the wonder of that Holy time when the shepherds and Magi gathered to adore the Newborn King.

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THIRD PLACE... This colorful door to the Homemaking room at Friona High School was decorated by the second period Home and Family Living Class. The group won third place honors with the design which is crafted of gaily colored scraps of braid, felt and burlap.

Dear Santa,
My name is Kirk Wright. I am 8 years old. For Xmas I want a Johnny Lighting 500, Fort Apache, and a Rock um Sock Robot. My little sister Gena, who is 4, wants a Baby Go Bye Bye, and a pair of snow boots. We have been pretty good kids.
Love,
Kirk Wright

Dear Santa,
I want a doll house for Christmas and a doll that can talk and a walking doll and a mini-bike. I am a girl and I want a little record player and some records and some books that are about Christmas.
Please Thank You Santa
Your Friend Elvira Samarron



Christmas GREETINGS

Trees all aglimmer, surprises in store! To the holiday shimmer, add our warm gratitude.

Tasty-Cream Drive In
Don and Nita Powell

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
Please bring me an air gun with a scope, and please bring me a 22 gun and a recorder and bring Mrs. Herring a car.
Love,
Trent

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a doll.
Love,
Teresa Garcia

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a Carrie for Christmas.
Love,
Kimberly Brandt

Dear Santa Claus,
I love you Santa Claus. I love to play with toys. Please give me a screaming demon. I want a ssp. Merry Christmas.
Love,
George Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a record player.
Love,
Kay Gaines

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a drum for Christmas.
Love,
Randy Osborn

Dear Santa Claus,
I love you Santa Claus. I want a nursy dolly. Please get me a little Nursy dolly.
Donna Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I am seven years old and I would like some things for Christmas.
I have two little brothers, named Timmy and Shawn, would you please bring them some toys to. And my little sister wants a doll and a rocking chair. Us boys would like an electric football game and a chess game, an electric train that smokes, checkers, cowboy guns, rifle, bake oven, big wheels, gun and holster, cowboy hat, cowboys and Indians army men and a lot to eat.
Thank you very much.
Yours truly,
Joe, Timmy, Shawn and Pam

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a Krazy Kar and bring Ricky a bicycle with training wheels. He needs a 10-inch cause he is a short little stinker.
Love,
Lance and Ricky

Dear Santa,
I want a autoharp. I want a doll. I want a doll clothes. I want a tv color. I want a play dog. I want a tobel.
Love,
Sunny Horton

Dear Santa,
I want a SSP, Concentration Game, Shot Gun, and a lot of candy. I want a lantern too.
Love,
Jeff

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a babytender love doll, and please bring me some Chrissy clothes and please bring me a cotten candy maker. Tell Mrs. Santa I bet her cookies are good.
Love,
Sandy Spring

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a dog for Christmas.
Love,
Carrie Schueler

Dear Santa Claus,
Please give me some toys and Mother some things too, good by, Santa Claus. I love you.
Junite

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a SSP and a box, Merry Christmas. I love to play with toys.
Robert Mata

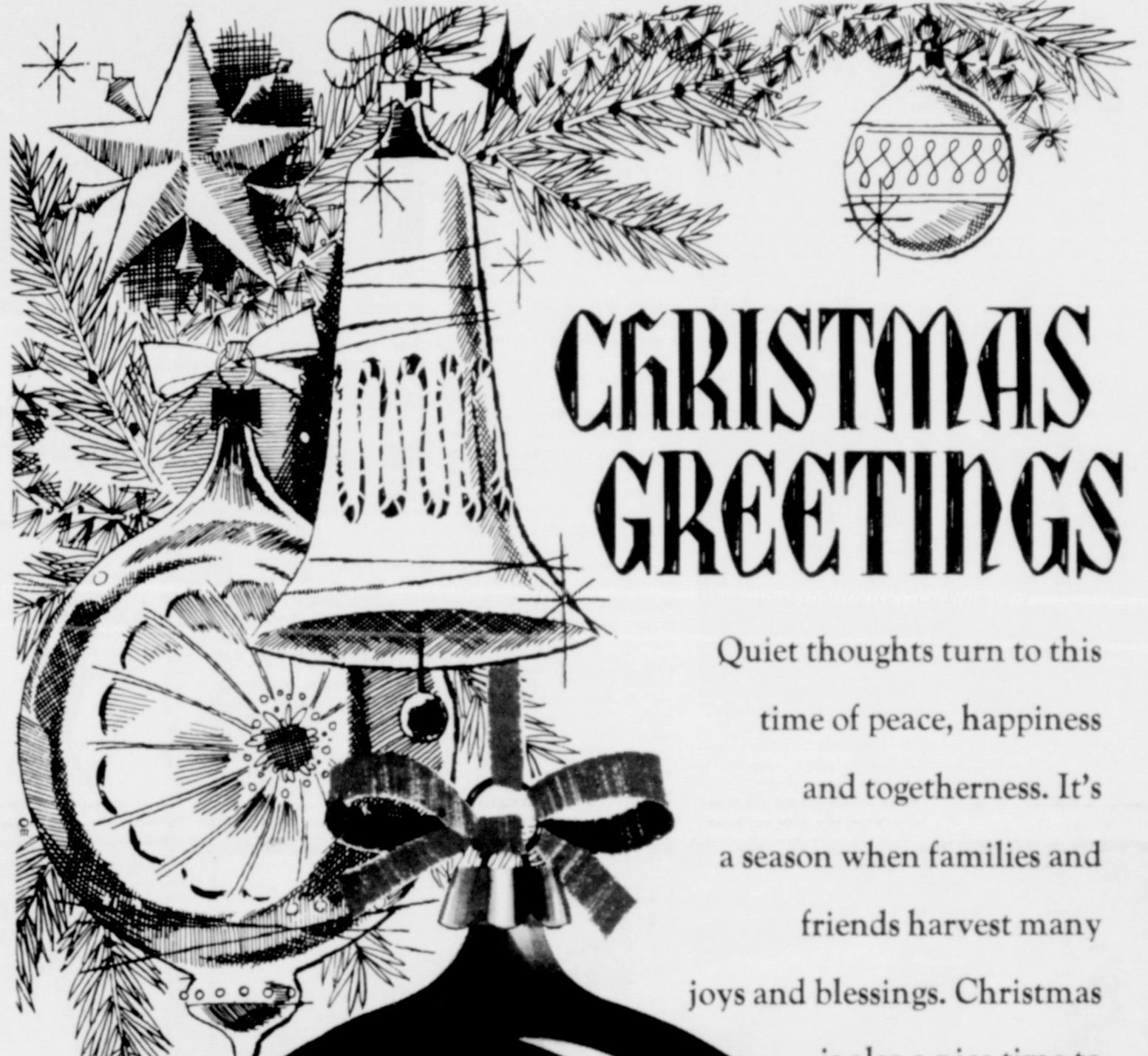
Dear Santa,
I have been a pretty good boy this year. Would you please bring me a gun that makes fire and a wildrider too. Bring my little sister a not-pot. Thank you Santa.
Love,
Tony

Specialist Gives Tips For Shopping By Mail

Is your mail box stuffed each day with catalogs and flyers promoting gift ideas for Christmas? Shopping by mail is increasing both in popularity and in disappointment, reports Doris Myers, Extensionhome management specialist at Texas A&M University.
To avoid disappointment before you order, Miss Myers says to make sure you know the firm you're dealing with. Check to be sure that the company will stand behind the products it sells.
One of the most frequent complaints made to the Federal Trade Commission comes from

people who ordered items by mail, she points out. Either the consumer paid for the product and never got it or had to wait months for delivery. Or she couldn't get a refund for undelivered merchandise or the merchandise was defective or damaged.
One way to avoid these problems is to order c.o.d., the specialist suggests, but this increases your cost. Another way is to order from companies that have a local office or store so you can discuss your problem in person.
If you are not sure about a company, think twice before or-

dering, Mrs. Myers cautions. You may end up without your money or merchandise. If you do get unsatisfactory service, write a letter of complaint to the mail order firm. Keep a copy, and if no reply is received after a reasonable length of time, report the firm to your Better Business Bureau and the postmaster of the post office where the mail order firm does business.
PROOF OF PUDDING?
In European countries, finding an almond in the holiday pudding means marriage next year.



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Quiet thoughts turn to this time of peace, happiness and togetherness. It's a season when families and friends harvest many joys and blessings. Christmas is also a nice time to thank friends like you.



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EARL ELAM, Manager

BEST WISHES FOR CHRISTMAS

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



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CHECK FIRE HAZARDS

Home Safety Stressed During Holidays

Accidents never take a holiday—not even at Christmas. Fire safety deserves special attention during the holidays when additional fire hazards may be created with combustible trees and decorations or faulty lighting sets. Careful attention to a few simple safety suggestions will help keep your holiday safe and happy, reminds Wayne Keese, Extension agricultural engineer.

A live, green tree is a symbol

of the beauty and joy of Christmas, but a dry tree is a fire hazard. Select a fresh looking and firm needled tree, suggests Keese. Saw off the base of the tree at least one inch above the original cut, stand the tree in water, and keep it in water until it is taken down. Check the water level daily. Be sure to place the tree away from all sources of heat—fireplaces, radiators or other heaters.

Don't rely on "do-it-yourself" flameproofing treatments, cautions the engineer. Tests indicate that some of the coatings available in aerosol cans are partly effective if the coating is thick enough. In short, there is no satisfactory home treatment which will retard fire in Christmas trees.

Artificial trees should be clearly marked as made of slow burning materials. If the tree has "built-in" lighting, look for the Underwriters' Laboratories (UL) label. Use only indirect lighting on metal trees to avoid the possibility of electrical shock.

Check lighting strings for loose connections, broken sockets and frayed insulation. Replace lighting sets with UL-labeled equipment. Bulbs made in the United States are usually safest as some imported bulbs may have dangerous hot spots. Outdoor lighting should be UL approved for outdoor use. Keese emphasizes to always turn off all decorative indoor lighting when you leave the house or retire for the night.

Use noncombustible material—metal, glass and asbestos—for decorations wherever possible. Cotton batting, flock and decorating paper should be flame-proofed. Keep natural evergreen decorations away from candles, the fireplace and other heat sources. Don't use polystyrene foam candle holders or polystyrene decorations near lighted candles.

Remove combustible gift wrappings as soon as possible and place them in a covered metal trash can.

Finally, never leave children alone or without proper supervision, advises Keese. Be especially careful to keep matches and cigarette lighters out of their reach during the holiday period when your home contains more "fire hazards" than usual. Have a family escape plan for use in case fire does strike and be sure doorways and stairs are not blocked by the tree or other holiday decorations.



SENIORS SECOND....This beautifully decorated door took second place in the High School's yearly door decorating contest. It was crafted by the Senior Class members who used brightly colored felt to create the collage effect.

OUTDOOR THEME

If you want your outdoor decorations to sparkle, begin with a plan. Keep your plan simple, accenting and decorating a single feature—a tree, chimney, or door. Use your imagination to camouflage floodlights. Pine bough, tiny figures, or snow banked behind the lights hide them well. Don't overdecorate with lights strung haphazardly from tree to tree, or gate to gate.

CHRISTMAS TOPS

Christmas meant a new supply of rattles and tops for little ones of the Middle Ages. In the 12th and 13th centuries, little girls who requested dolls for Christmas usually had to settle for crude clay ones. Little boys of that era got toy horses and knights as gifts.

DRESSING THE QUEEN

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

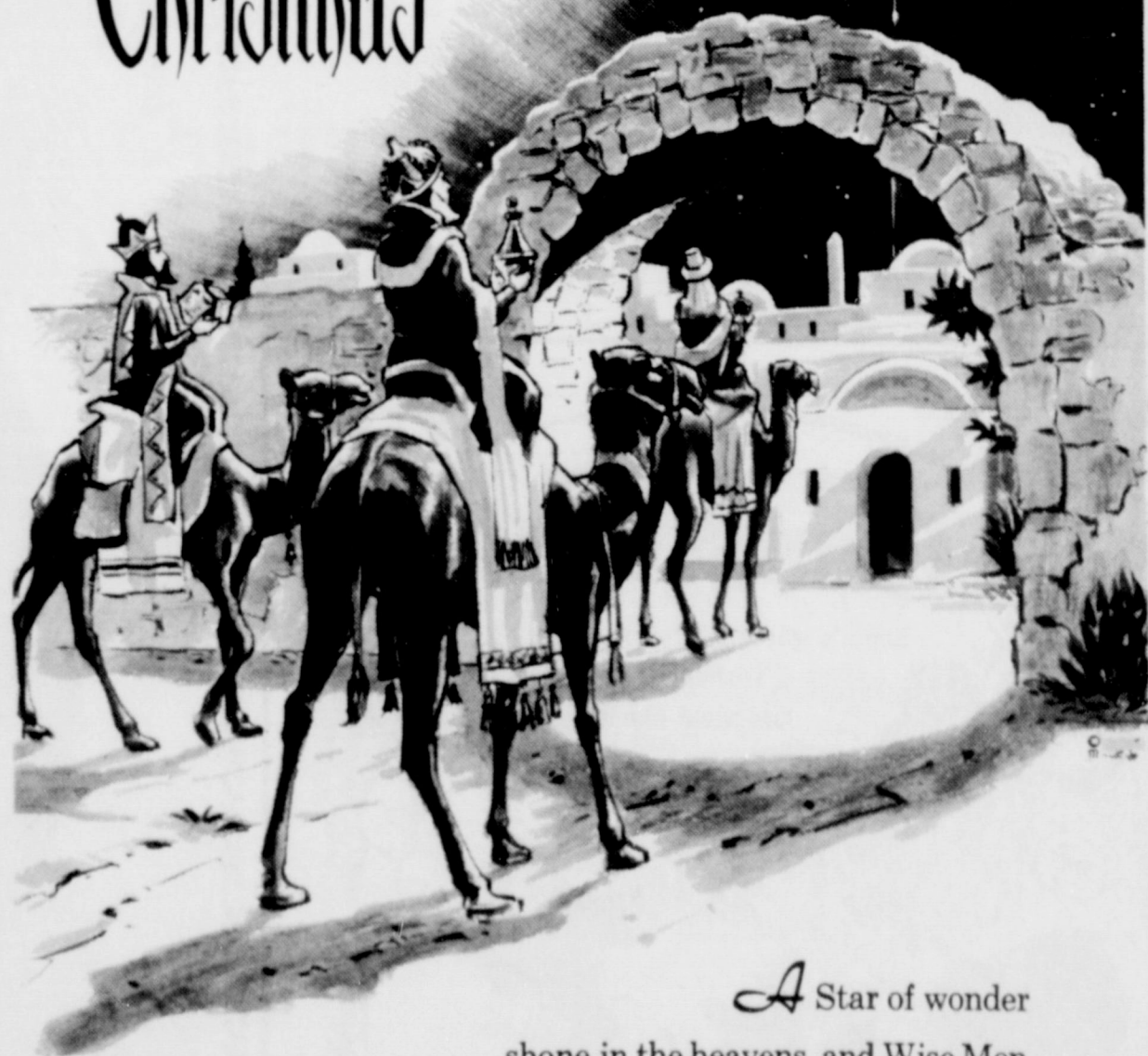


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ANTIQUED FOIL....This door at Friona High School won first place in the school's annual door-decoration contest. It was decorated by the third period Home and Family Living Class. Antiqued foil was used to create Madonna and Child sculpture.



Christmas...

Old-fashioned ways have a special meaning at Christmas. And, in this old-time spirit, ever-new, we wish you and your family the happiest holiday. Merry Christmas!

BIG TEX CATTLE & GRAIN INC.
ELEVATOR DIVISION Summerfield



TREBELAIRES. . . The Trebelaires, local singing group directed by Mrs. Eva Miller, are shown above. In the back row, left to right, are Carolyn Murphree, Lisa Taylor, Nancy Martinez, Ann Hurst, Cindy Barnett, Carleen Schlenker and Mrs. Miller. Seated are Sally Kendrick, Kathy McLean, Vicki Pryor, Debbie Bengie and Dorothy Johnston. The group can be seen presenting a program of Christmas music at 11:30 a.m. Christmas Day on KGNC-TV, Channel 4.

Mrs. Cordie Potts Elected President

Thirteen members of Home Arts Club met at the home of Mrs. Ralph Wilson for the annual Christmas covered dish luncheon at noon Thursday. The serving table was covered with a red linen cloth and centered with an arrangement of yule logs and candles.

Following the luncheon was a gift exchange and ornamental cookie baking session.

During the business session officers were elected for the coming year. They were Mrs. Cordie Potts, president; Mrs. A.S. Grubbs, vice-president; Mrs. A.L. Outland, secretary; Mrs. Wilson, treasurer; and Mrs. E.C. Adams, benevolence chairman.

Plans were made for a drive to collect Betty Crocker coupons for stainless steel flatware and serving dishes for the Community Room of City Hall. Anyone desiring to assist with this project may give money or coupons to Mrs. Ray Landrum, Mrs. Meryle Massie or Lola Goodwine.

The next meeting of the club will be the third Thursday in January in the Community Room of City Hall.

Those attending were Miss Goodwine and Mesdames Adams, Bessie Boatman, Dan Laceywell, Landrum, D.G. Hand, Jack Moseley, Outland, Potts, Wilson, Grubbs, Tina Balmum and Opal Buchanan.



Merry Christmas

Home is where hearts are . . . especially during Christmas. Our hope is that every home is filled with the warmth of the true Christmas spirit. Many thanks to everyone.

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Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a gun.

Love,
Xavier Mata

Dear Santa,
I want a Spyrograph. And some roller skates. And a Hand Sewing Machine. And some go go boots too. And some candy too.

Natalie Ann Rody

Dear Santa,
I would like a three minute cake baker and all the Dawn dolls and their clothes and the Dawn fashion stage and a big little girls kitchen set and a Barbie makeup scene and a flute.

Your friend,
Kipi Fleming

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a drum, basketball, truck with a big trailer, fire truck, pajamas, bicycle, combine.

Yours truly,
Lewie Don Martin

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a watch with changeable bands, a Dynamite Shack game, Tess across game, two sizzler cars and a juicer machine also one leather coat.

Yours truly,
Becky McLellan

Dear Santa,
I want a Tress her hair grows.

And I want the mummy game. And I want a sleeping bag. And I want a maxi.

Love,
Delinda Shipp

Dear Santa,
I want a walking doll and a talking doll.

Love,
Connie Mendoza

Dear Santa,
I want a football suit with football shoes and a football and football pump and a kicker too.

Your friend,
Michael Leal

Merry Christmas

Christmas! The very word awakens a host of happy expectations, with its promise of gifts and gladness, greetings and treatings. Enjoy it to the full, good friends. We thank you, warmly.

KENDRICK OIL CO. **PHILGAS**

Merry Christmas

Christmas tranquility holds a message for all of us. In the midst of this season we take time to appreciate and be grateful. And as we pause, one thing comes to mind . . . how much we value your friendly support!

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Poultry Specialist Gives Tips On Turkey Buying

The turkey, a native American bird, has always been a favorite delicacy in Texas. Even the Indians considered it fine eating, and the early day cowboys welcomed turkey meat as a change from their standard beef diet.

Folklorist J. Frank Dobie, in his book, "A Vaquero of the Brush Country" (Little Brown and Co.), describes a cow camp recipe:

"Sometimes Sam would roast a turkey in its feathers. To do this, he would dig a pit, build a fire in it, and heat the ground thoroughly; then he would take out the coals. Having removed the entrails from the turkey and salted and peppered it, he would put it in the hole—a 'fireless cooker'—in such a way that no dirt could touch the flesh.

"Next he would cover it with hot earth, then build a fire over the covering. When ten or twenty hours later he lifted the

turkey out by its feet, the skin and feathers would scale off by their own weight, and we had a juicy savory meat so tender that it almost melted at a touch."

Today's domestic turkey is far different from the old wild variety. Dr. D.B. Mellor, poultry marketing specialist at Texas A&M University, says the domestic bird may lack the wild one's gamey flavor, but it is far superior in meatiness.

The traditional whole roast turkey, he said, just now make room for a variety of new products better suited for the small convenience-minded family. Turkey parts, such as the breast, frozen boneless roast, and frozen sliced meat in a boil punch are only a few.

For cooking ease, the newer self-basting turkey may be the answer. These birds have been injected with butter or vegetable oil deep in the muscle tissue.

As the turkey roasts, the fats melt and baste the meat.

In buying turkey, you may want to use the guide of one pound for each person. Mellor says not to be afraid to buy a little more than this, as leftovers can be frozen and used later in many ways.

An Extension Service bulletin, "Freezing Poultry for Home Use," available in your local home demonstration agent's office, gives suggestions for freezing raw and cooked turkey.

Nearly all turkey packages contain cooking instructions. Remember, Mellor says, it takes much longer to cook a frozen bird. The best recommendation is to thaw it in your refrigerator for about three days before stuffing and roasting. This keeps down surface bacteria growth.

The higher the roasting temperature, the shorter the cooking time—and the drier the meat will be. Fast cooking causes more liquid loss and less roasted turkey.

Hen turkeys are smaller than toms and usually cost a little more per pound. Mellor says both young toms and young hens will make excellent roast because of modern, fast growing methods. Fact is, it is difficult for experts to tell the difference in flavor or tenderness in hen or tom meat.

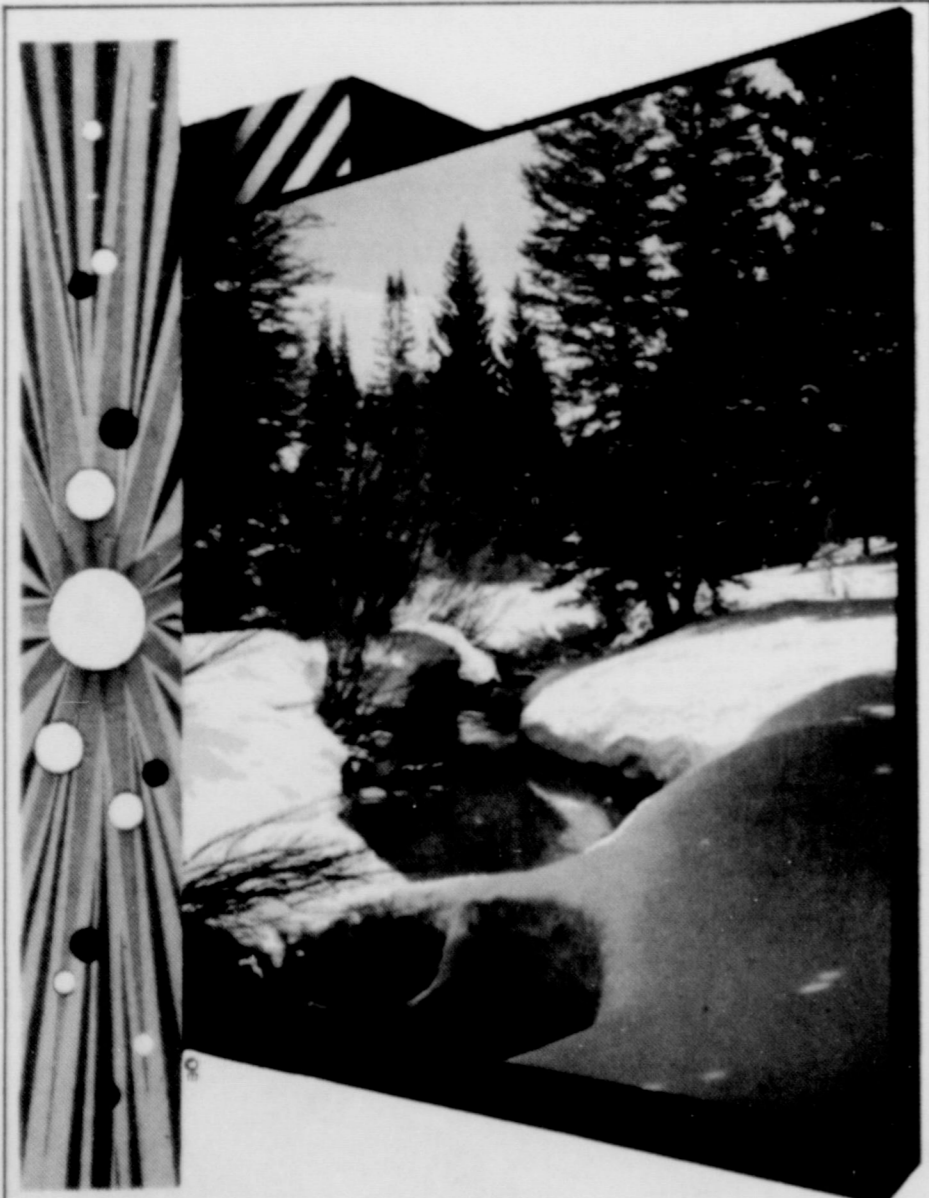
Maybe the best guide in choosing a hen or tom is to consider how much your family can use economically. Remember, roasted turkey can be frozen for future meals, and toms can provide more economical meat, Mellor pointed out.

He says the biggest secret in roasting a turkey is keeping the meat moist. Since the birds are so young when processed for market, the meat has little fat. This is why turkeys are known as high protein, low fat meat.



HAPPY CHILDREN... Santa Claus popped in during the annual Christmas party for the Friona Fire Department last Thursday, and as could be expected, was an instant hit with the children. He is shown here passing out treats to the kids.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL



MERRY CHRISTMAS

The freshness of new fallen snow awakens deep reflections of holiday sentiments. We express the hope that good will and brotherhood prevail to bring lasting peace among us. The best of the season to you and sincere thanks for your loyalty.

ADAMS DRILLING CO.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus,
Do you know what I want? Well I will tell you. I wish for a baby grow a tooth. And I love you.
Love,
Lynita

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll that talks and some dishes and clothes to wear.
Backy Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me an airplane for Christmas.
Jaime Pena

Dear Santa,
Is it snowing down at the north pole? It is snowing down here. I have been helping decorate the Christmas tree. How have you been. Where is your sleigh? I want a Easy bake oven and a pair of Nickers and a big stove and a big sink and a big refrigerator. Merry Christmas.
Regina

Dear Santa,
I am 4 years old. I have tried to be a good girl.
Please bring me a baby tender love doll, a big tricycle, a play school mail box and a red purse.
Also some fruit and nuts.
I love you,
Tammi Dawn Kelley

Dear Santa Claus,
Paula wants a kitchen set, and a doll, a watch, some play dough.
I love you,
Paula Jean Benham

Well-Loved Carols Ring Out Everywhere

"Joy to the world! The Lord is come!"
"It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old."
"Silent night, holy night, All is calm, all is bright."
"Oh come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant."
Throughout Christendom, the words of these well-loved carols are familiar even to little children, and they'll be heard this Christmas wherever carolers get together.
"Joy to the World" was written by Isaac Watts (1674-1748), English hymnist.
Watts, who is known as the creator of the modern hymn,

wrote nearly 600 hymns. Many of these still appear in Protestant hymnals, says the Encyclopedia Americana.
"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" is the work of Edmund H. Sears, a Unitarian minister in Massachusetts, more than a century ago.
Perhaps the most famous of Christmas carols, "Silent Night" was first sung on Christmas Eve, 1818, to guitar music.
Mice in the bellows had silenced the organ of a tiny Austrian church. Father Joseph Mohr met the challenge by writing "Silent Night." His organist composed a melody for guitar.



Christmas Greetings

When the crisp fragrance of evergreens scents the air...when the lights of the holiday home say, "Welcome"...that's Christmas! Hoping it's merry and bright, full of delight, for our appreciated patrons, we send greetings and gratitude.



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SNEAKY DOOR. . . This eye-catching door decoration was the idea of the Friona High School Forensics Club. The group used white yarn on a background of red felt with a catchy slogan.

poet, scholar has collected data on angels

If you want to get to know angels better (without resorting to the obvious) you should seek out a "Dictionary of Angels" that deals with the heavenly creatures. As a matter of fact, all are not so heavenly, since the author has catalogued more than 300 demons, seraphim, avatars and others dwelling in the spirit world.



According to this expert, a typical angel is winged, male, immortal and speaks Hebrew.

Their main job is to serve the Creator, but they have also been known to serve Man by acting as "guardians, counselors, guides, judges, interpreters, dragomen, cooks, matchmakers and gravediggers." Who among us doesn't have an angel of some type he communes with from time to time?

Most of the denizens are not connected with the Bible. There is Gavreel, who keeps people from "going crazy in the night," and Mammon, a fallen angel who serves as a "horrible example" to us weak mortals.

According to George Bernard Shaw, "In heaven, an angel is nobody in particular." Which only supports the premise that there are occasions and situations where you can have too much of a good thing.

Holiday Food Buying Can Be Economical

Your family's health greatly depends upon what you feed the members, and planning nutritionally balanced diets begins at the supermarket. So shop wisely this week and follow these marketing tips, suggests Gwendolyn Clyatt, Extension consumer marketing specialist.

Food shoppers usually want to economize a bit more than usual during the weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas, and a good way to economize is to take advantage of the current good values in plentiful pork. Best pork buys include loin roasts, picnic, Boston butts, pork chops, sausage and bacon. Ham prices have slightly advanced in some stores but are still relatively good values. Remember, pork is a good red meat to purchase for stocking the freezer.

At beef counters, some specials are available on blade chuck roasts. Features are scattered on rib roasts, chuck and round steaks, boneless rump roasts and Boston roll roasts. Ground beef in 3 or more pound packages, beef liver and stew meat are also featured in some markets.

Frying chickens may be slightly higher than last week

but are still considered "good buys." Turkey also continues to be a good choice: high quality birds are available in a variety of sizes and forms.

Egg prices are near the same level as last week with large sizes as generally the best value. Large size eggs are especially good for holiday baking.

At fruit counters, grapefruit is in better supply with quality, color and size much improved. Oranges, apples, bananas, cranberries, tangerines and tangelos are also good fruit choices.

Fresh vegetables in good supply and at economical prices include mustard, collard, turnips, and greens, potatoes, dry yellow onions, carrots, cabbage, celery, eggplant, sweet potatoes and rutabagas.

General Tree
One of the best known "living" Christmas trees is the General Grant, a giant sequoia tree located in the General Grant Grove in California. It is believed to be 3,500 years old.

JOY TO THE WORLD

To all our friends and neighbors we sing a joyful carol of holiday wishes . . . love, peace, happiness, and togetherness.



Wilson Enco Service



Merry Christmas to all!

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

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Blessings

This Holy Season is filled with many spiritual gifts. May you reap all of them.

Aztec Drive Inn
Mr. and Mrs. Herb Seright

Merry Christmas

At this joyous time of year, we extend our warmest wishes

FROM ALL OF US AT

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FRIONA PLANT



TWO CINDYS & SANTA... Cindy Alexander and Cindy Auburg proudly display the gifts they received from Santa Claus at the annual Christmas party hosted by the Friona Volunteer Fire Department last Thursday.

Yule Lives In Legend And Lore

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

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

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

So says the lore of Christmas.

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

In legend, all flowers bloom at midnight on Christmas Eve, just as they did more than 2,000 years ago.

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

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

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

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

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

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

'Greetings' Say It's Christmas

All the merriment, all the magic, all the glory of Christmas comes now to the people of this community, like a wonderful package of gifts they can share and enjoy. The wrappings on the package glow with brightest promise—joyful music in the air, gleaming lights and gala decorations, fun and festivity, trees and greens and all the trimmings for a Christmas just brimming over with the good things and glad times that the season inspires.

Now that the long-awaited moment has arrived, what does this community Christmas package hold? The tag gives a clue. It reads, "Greetings, good will and good wishes—Merry Christmas!"

In the community, in the home, in business and social relations, the true spirit of Christmas begins and grows from greetings.

The greetings may be—as evidenced by this special Christmas Greetings Edition—an expression of good will and gratitude from business people of the community, who are sincere in their desire to impart special appreciation of their patrons' confidence and trust.

But whether it's a cheery "Merry Christmas" to a new acquaintance, a warm exchange of season's best wishes with an old friend or still deeper exchange of felicitations with a loved one, the holiday greeting embodies the guiding spirit of "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

Enchanting as they are, gifts, parties and other such gaieties are but the outer wrappings of the holiday package that means Christmas, with its message of fellowship, friendship and love.



EXPECTATION... Children at the Firemen's Christmas party wait anxiously while Old St. Nick passed out presents for all the children at the party.

Religious Cards Take Lead In Popularity

"Sorry, we don't have any more Christmas cards, only some religious ones."

These words, supposedly spoken by a saleswoman to a last-minute shopper for greeting cards a good many years ago, wouldn't be meaningful now.

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

Early cards pictured dancers and skaters, holly and mistletoe, robins and other birds, beautiful women and charming children and flowers by the score.

Such themes still appear, but they take second place to religious messages—especially, "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

PIN PLEASES

If you want to "pin" your lady for the holiday, do so. Jeweled pins are bigger than ever—in popularity as well as in size—because women have learned the fashion trick of anchoring important-looking pins to belts, waistlines or sleeves to dramatize a costume. This year's jeweled pins add rich, colorful accents with a variety of gold-colored finishes.



Imagination Aids Decorating

Entrance halls, especially to remedy, since a small those on the small side, are a relatively inexpensive often the duller rooms in a and easy to decorate. All it home or apartment. This is ea-takes is a bit of imagination

How to Keep Yule Plants

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

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

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

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SILVER ANGEL. . . This unusual door decoration was conceived by the members of Friona High School's Band. The students made clever use of screen wire for the angel's body and wings. The hair is made of steel scouring pads.

Electrifying Ideas For Christmas Trims

At Christmas, all of us become electricians of sorts. We dangle strings of lights over prickly branches of spruce or pine, and if really ambitious, we brighten up the neighborhood with colorful lights on front porches, rooftops or in the front yard.

If you are planning to spark the holiday season with Christmas lights, remember these easy tips that will eliminate the frustration of faulty wiring, blown fuses, bulbs that won't burn and switches that fall, suggests Pat Bradshaw, Extension housing and home furnishings specialist at Texas A&M University.

For Christmas tree lights, first estimate how many lights you will need, Miss Bradshaw says. Use this formula: height of tree (in feet) times width of tree at its widest part, times three. For example, on a six-foot tree four feet wide, you would need 72 lights for the proper effect.

String lights on the tree and fasten securely in place before adding any other kinds of ornaments or trim, she adds.

For exterior lights, one or more extension cords are generally necessary, so the specialist says to make sure the lighting wire is large enough to carry the electrical load. Number 18 wire is big enough for

most lines, but use Number 16 for lines over 15 feet long or lines that have a number of lights in the circuit.

Wrap waterproof extension cord connections used outside with a small elastic bag, Miss Bradshaw advises. Cut the bottom out of the bag and slip it over the connection. Tie both ends tight around the cord with a piece of strong twine.

Before stringing lights along house or in trees, the specialist says to connect all strings of lights and extension cords just as they will be used in the final decoration. Before going to the trouble of putting light strings all in place, plug in the system and check if all lights are burning and if there are any shorts in the cords. This preliminary step of checking for burned out lights and faulty wiring saves having to take strings down again to replace a part that is defective.

If you have doubts about the age of any bulbs, replace the ones that will be in especially hard-to-reach spots, Miss Bradshaw suggests. The new bulbs will more likely last throughout the Christmas season.

No matter how you decorate for Christmas, plan carefully, take adequate safety precautions and have a Merry Christmas, she adds.



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Santa Letters...

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a SSP screaming demon.
Love,
Timothy

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring Mrs. Herring something for Christmas and bring me something too. I love you Santa Claus.
Love,
Joe Garcia

Dear Santa Claus,
I love to play with toys. Merry Christmas Santa Claus. I love you.
Roy Saldana

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a football. Please because someone got mine.
Love,
Marc

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a ssp I want a football. I want a hot wheel car.
Love,
Charles

Dear Santa,
I want a western hat for Christmas. I also want a big box of crayons and a ssp.
Love,
Lance

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a baby beans doll and a funlight and play dishes and Barbie camper. Please bring something for my cat.
Brenda

Dear Santa,
I am a boy 8 years old, please bring me a pair of moccasins and anything else you would like to bring.
Love,
Ricky Wiggins

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I want a dart set, puzzles, games, Hooped train set, pop gun, b-b gun, guitar, transport truck, books, record player and records.
Thanks,
Chris

Dear Santa,
I would like a doll. Its name is Angle Baby. Also I would like a watch, a sleeping bag, a bicycle, a jukebox, a desk and a bulletin board.
Love,
Dawn Ann Gibson

Santa Claus,
I love you. I want a hat. I want a bog, you remember me.
Diane Cole

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FFA DOOR. . . One of the attractive door decorations at Friona High School this season is this one which was put together by the Future Farmers organization. It features a young farmer and his dog made of fabric scraps.

**It's Easy
Old Fashioned
Christmas Tree**

If you want to celebrate your Christmas in the 1890's tradition, it's not as difficult as you might think. For the top of the tree, you can cut a star out of gold construction paper. You can also cut chains from the same paper to string along the branches. Or if you prefer, make your strings of popcorn and cranberries.

Then you should have loads of cookies, candies, and gilded nuts. Star-shaped cookies, gingerbread men, and Beech-Nut sours—hard candies that capture the turn-of-the-century flavor—any of these would do just fine.

You can put the sours in little transparent bags and attach them to the tree. You can also use the candies to stuff gifts and fill stockings with. And if you want a real Gay Nineties touch, you can just fill a dish with sours, and keep it standing on a foyer table for your Christmas guests.

Also, your Gay Nineties Christmas wouldn't be complete without at least a half dozen cornucopias on your tree. To make these, simply take colored construction paper, preferably gold and silver, roll it into a cone, and attach the ends together with masking tape. Then you punch two holes in the top rim through which you thread a piece of red or green string. With the string you attach your cornucopia to the tree, and once you fill it to the brim with Beech-Nut sours, you have a delightful (and tasty) Christmas decoration.

Then, if you want to go all the way to make your Christmas tree an old-fashioned one, you can try to locate some 1890's toys to put under it. Say, a hobby horse, carousel—or maybe a Teddy Bear.

GIFT FOR MOTHER

Mom may need a floor waxer—but Christmas is not the time to give it to her. No matter how practical she may be, mom would much prefer to receive something frivolous—something she wouldn't ordinarily buy for herself. It need not be expensive like mink or diamonds, even though they're always nice. A tiny vial of utterly extravagant perfume is a likely winner. So is a beribboned or befrilled house coat—and maybe oodles and oodles of delicious-smelling bubble bath.

SAFE TREE

Be sure to install your Christmas tree safely. You can place it in a pail of cold water, sweetened with a cup of syrup, sugar, or molasses. You can also place it in a box of wet sand to prevent it from drying out. Whatever you do, be sure it is anchored firmly, will not fall or be knocked over as someone passes by.

BEEES GET BUSY

On Christmas Eve, bees hum holiday carols and melodies, says legend.

**Huge Tree Is
Symbol of Man**

A French story of the 13th century relates how a huge tree was discovered in a forest, its branches lit with candles.

Some branches rose straight up, while others were turned down. Atop the tree was a child, with a halo around his head.

The story explains that the tree is mankind. Its candles represent people good or bad, and the child is the Christ Child.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus,
I want the drums and that is all. You know the drums are big, so that is all.

Your friend,
Stanley Ellis

Dear Santa Claus,
I love to play with toys. Will you give me a screaming demon and a SSP.

Love,
Ricky

Dear Santa,
I want a bike for Christmas. And I want a doll house for Christmas. And I want a Barbie for Christmas.

Sally Perez

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll from you. I love you. Do you love me. Yes you do this note is from Amelia Dawn Renner. I love you.

Dear Santa,
How are you fine I hope. I wish I had a coloring book and colors. What have you been doing. I wish you a Merry Christmas and all the others.

Yours truly,
Carrie Davidson

Dear Santa Claus,
Do you know what a king arthur castle is. Well I want a king arthur castle and I love you.

Love,
Andy

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a doll for Christmas.

Love,
Lisa Lanier

Dear Santa,
I want a minibike and a watch for Christmas. I am a girl and if you bring what I want, I would be thankful.

Love,
Norma Cruz

Season's Greetings



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A SHORT STORY

Visitors At The Rafter's

(Editor's note: The following story was submitted to us by the author, Milton W. Smith of Santa Barbara, California, a former cowhand on the Rafter S Ranch near Friona. Slim Ashcraft, the cook mentioned in the story, is still a Friona resident. The story appeared in the December issue of "Guidposts.")

by MILTON W. SMITH
Santa Barbara, California

Man being what he is, intolerances and bigotries seem to go on apace. But I remember a simple society in which men lived according to the way Jesus Christ taught. Maybe it was because they had to.

On the Panhandle of Texas where I was a cowhand on the Rafter S ranch when I was just a sprout, tolerance was something we just took for granted. It was a way of life, a built-in self-preservation philosophy. We never spelled it out that way, it just was, that's all. We took our dependency upon one another as a matter of course without making any big deal about it. I remember the time the "point" of an outfit came riding into the ranch late one afternoon. He was the most tired, dusty cowboy I had ever seen. His pony wasn't in much better shape.

A point is a lone rider who lays out the route ahead of a herd traveling across country. Come close to nightfall and he picks out a likely looking ranch where the stock can be bunched for the night and the men and horses bedded down. The Rafter S was where the men and stock from the Double S would bed down for the night, where the cattle would nibble off the sparse grass and drink the precious water.

The point pulled up and waited on his horse until Clyde Seamounts, the boss of our outfit, greeted him. The cowpoke said, "Hi," unlimbered a long lean frame, ambled over to where Clyde was standing and said, "My name's Wilson-Sam Wilson and I'm riding point for the Double S-southwest of Portales. We're on our way home and there's more'n a thousand head of dogies due here in about three hours."

Clyde said, "Turn your pony into the corral and come in and eat." Then he turned to us and said to clear the south pasture of our stock and figure eight the grass around the water hole with bundles of high gear and sorghum cane. Before Wilson had his pony unsaddled and fed we were high-tailing it over the flats for the south pasture.

In a city, I suppose, such hospitality would be offered only if a state of emergency existed. Not so in Texas—at least that's the way it was some 45 years ago. The reason was simple, really—the man who gave today might be on the asking end to-

tomorrow, and this kind of dependency, this kind of give and take was as close to a religious brotherhood as any of the great prophets ever preached.

There wasn't any hesitation on Wilson's part about asking. Matter of fact, he didn't ask. He just announced. He knew that Clyde would throw open the doors, so to speak, and offer all he had to help his neighbor, a man he never knew before and one he would probably never see again.

We saw the dust of the oncoming herd on the trail rising long before we heard the shouts of the men and the complaining lowing of the cattle as they were pushed along. This was the signal for Wilson to unwind himself where he had been stretched out on the floor relaxing, remount and ride back to the herd to guide them to the pasture that Clyde had made available.

We were saddled and waiting when the Double S outfit showed and we rode out to help push the strays in. It wasn't too long before the animals were bunched around the water hole, eating the succulent sorghum cane and high gear.

We had butchered about two weeks before, and more than two hind quarters were still hanging in the barn. Hanging meat in the cold dry air of a Panhandle winter soon turns a mahogany black, and to people accustomed to buying their beef blood red in the butcher shop, this display would be anything but appetizing. But that's because city meat eaters don't know anything about air-cured, aged beef, because just beneath that black outer layer is the most luscious, tender and juicy steaks a man ever chomped down upon.

There were seven of those Double S boys and they put away about 15 pounds or more of that beef. Slim Ashcraft, our cook, dug a long, deep pit and filled it high with mesquite. When he had a bed of coals about a foot deep, he spit the beef and laid it across the fire.

Those boys squatted on their haunches and drooled as they watched that meat spit and sizzle. When it was ready, they sat at a plank table outdoors and fell to. Slim added his always full pot of salt pork and beans and about a bushel basket of soda biscuits. Then he opened a fresh jug of molasses and a gallon tin of peanut butter to spread on the hot bread to be washed down with steaming mugs of black coffee.

After supper we gassed and lied to one another just like guys in other walks of life. When one of the men lifted himself off his haunches to step away into the darkness, that brought the story from Slim about the first time I came on the ranch and asked where the bathroom was. The boss looked at me, Slim said,

and then just swung his arm from one horizon to the other, taking in all of Texas. All the boys laughed and I laughed along with them.

Then I told some stories about Clyde. He glared at me while the boys near bust their sides laughing. Then Clyde grinned and told some more stories on me when I had first come on the ranch as a tenderfoot. Soon the stories wore thin and heads began to nod in the warm room until one by one we headed for our bunks and bedrolls.

Long before sunup we reluctantly crawled out of our blankets, readying the start of a big day. This was no balmy spring day—this was late December just before Christmas and it was very cold.

Then the sun came up like it always did, the early morning light seeping into the bunkhouse. Suddenly the boys from the Double S quieted down. In fact, they stopped dead still and waited until their trail boss was finished with what he was doing at the window.

I'm sure no one knew what was going on with the trail boss, but I had seen this ritual many times in New York. You see, the trail boss was called Mister David. I never knew what his first name was because everyone just called him Mister David. He was wrapping leather thongs around his bare left arm and looping another set of them around his neck, settling a leather band around his forehead. Then he draped a silk shawl with fringes at the ends around his neck, put on his big ten-gallon hat and began moving his lips in prayer.

Mr. David was a Jew, and his religion required that he pray for guidance and wisdom of decision for the events of the new day dawning and thanking God for His mercy, begging forgiveness for his sins.

No one criticized him and no one made any jokes about something they didn't understand. They just waited with respect until he was finished and then we all trooped into the kitchen for breakfast.

Here was an example of tolerance and brotherhood that transcended empty canned sermons like so many hollow drum thumpings on a still night on the prairie.

Though I didn't realize it then, I know now that the tragedy of mankind is that too many of us can't achieve the compassion of these simple men of the soil, nor do we remember the teaching of the Great One who knew humility in so many places.

UNDER THE PALM

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



Milton Smith, a former cowboy on the Rafter S Ranch, is shown at left as he appeared on his horse, and on the right in a recent picture.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa,

I want an Easy bake and baby tender love and ring.

Love,

Petra Trevino

Dear Santa,

Santa, will you please bring me a bike for Christmas?

Lisa Aragon

Dear Santa,

I want a barbie and a barbie case for Christmas. And a chalkboard, too. And chalk and an eraser. And barbie clothes for Christmas.

Love,

Jana Brown

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a SSP and I want a screaming demon. Please.

Tony Rios

Dear Santa,

I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a popcorn popper.

Love,

Annabell Cadena

Dear Santa,

I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a doll.

Love,

Judy McLellan

Dear Santa,

I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a record player for Christmas.

Love,

Mariella Sala

Dear Santa,

I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a gun for Christmas.

Love,

Douglas Moyer



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FOR XMAS, NEW YEAR'S

Large Numbers Enjoy Parties In Home Of G. B. Buskes

BY JUNE FLOYD

During the holiday season Mr. and Mrs. G. B. (Pete) Buske, 908 Euclid, who are long time Friona residents, observe two special days. In the afternoon of Christmas Day their children, in-laws and grandchildren gather in their home for an annual gift exchange.

Then on New Year's Day from 50 to 75 friends and neighbors attend their annual party. About 20 years ago the Buskes invited some friends in for an informal party, which generally lasts from early in the morning to late in the evening, and had so much fun they decided to make it an annual affair.

Dinner is served at noon and generally consists of roast beef, baked turkey with dressing, ham, blackeyed peas for good luck, assorted vegetables, coffee, iced tea, peach or apple cobbler and Russian Tea, which have been prepared by the host couple, and salads and desserts of all kinds, which are brought by the guests.

For Russian Tea Mrs. Buske mixes 1-3/4 cups Tang; 1 package Twist-dry lemonade mix; 1-2/3 cups sugar; 1/2 cup instant tea; 1 teaspoon cloves and 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon.

This yields about 1 quart dry mix. When serving she uses 2 teaspoons mix to each cup hot water.

Myrl Crow and Pete Buske were married in Abernathy in 1926 and moved to Friona three years later. For the first year they farmed east of town, then moved into town and operated a produce business for several years.

Soon Pete turned to his first love-cattle with which he had grown up and has been in that business ever since.

The couple has four children, Deann, Lila Gay and Phila May, who are twins, and B. K.

Deann and her husband, Richard Styles, who is head of the public relations of the foreign mission board of Southern Baptist Convention, live in Richmond, Virginia.

They have three children, Mike, 10; Scott, 8 and Sheri, 6. Lila Gay and her husband, Don Max Vars, live in Canyon. He is president of First National Bank there and they have two daughters, Mayla Dawn, 8; and Misty, 6.

Phila May is married to Phillip Weatherly, who is a farmer-cattlemaster. They have three children, Park, 10; Pepper, 9; and Penni, 8. They live east of town.

B. K., who is a graduate of the University of Texas, Austin, and operates a Real Estate business there, is currently at home. Christmas Day for the Buske family begins with dinner in the Weatherly home. Then in the afternoon the group returns to town for a gift exchange in the Buske home.

A typical menu for the family Christmas dinner is usually hot rolls, roast beef, turkey and dressing, giblet gravy, cranberry salad, ambrosia or fruit salad, green bean casserole, pecan pumpkin pie, apple sauce cake, tea and coffee.

Some of Mrs. Buske's favorite recipes are:

Asparagus Casserole
2 cups chopped ham
2 cans cut asparagus
2 cans cream of mushroom soup
1 cup whipping cream or milk
4 tablespoons onions (grated)
2 tablespoons lemon juice
2 teaspoons parsley
4 tablespoons quick tapioca
Pepper and salt

1/2 cup grated cheese (sharp)
8 eggs boiled and sliced
Layer together and bake for 45 minutes. Serves 10.

Hot Green Beans
2 cans French style green beans
1/2 can Ro-Tel tomatoe sauce
2 tablespoons margarine
1/2 cup milk
1-1/2 tablespoons flour
1/4 lb. Velveets cheese
Salt and pepper

Drain beans. Put in casserole and add Ro-Tel tomatoes, pour sauce over beans. Bake 20-30 minutes at 375 degrees. Can be made up ahead of time and baked whenever needed.

Easy Rolls
1 package yeast
2 cup lukewarm water
1/3 cup sugar
1 beaten egg
1 teaspoon salt
2 cups flour

Beat well, then add 3 tablespoons butter melted. Add 3-1/2 cups more of flour beat well. Let rise to the top of large bowl then make out into rolls. Let rise 1-1/2 hours. Bake at 450 degrees.

Pecan Pumpkin Pie
3 eggs
1/3 cup canned milk or cream
1-1/2 cup pumpkin
1-1/2 cup sugar
Spices to taste
Beat eggs. Add cream and sugar to eggs and beat well.

Add pumpkin and spices. Add nuts. Makes two pies. Pour in pie shell and bake.

Cranberry-Apple Salad
2 cups ground raw cranberries
3 cups small marshmallows
3/4 cup sugar

Mix well and chill overnight. Next day or whenever you want, add 2 cups diced tart apples- unpeeled-
1/2 cup nuts
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 can green grapes drained (not spiced) 1 cup cream whipped-Fold all ingredients together. Serves 12.

Applesauce Cake
2 cups white sugar
1 cup shortening
2 cups apple sauce
3 cups flour
4 eggs
Spices to taste
2 teaspoons soda
1 cup nuts
1 cup dates

Mix sugar and shortening; add the apple sauce, then sift spices in the four and save some of the flour to put over the fruit and nuts. Bake in a loaf pan about 2 hours at 300 degrees. I like to put an icing or filling while it is hot (sauce) 2 cups sugar, 1 cup orange juice, cook until it comes to a boil pour over cake while it is hot.

Quick Pecan Pie
4 egg whites
1 cup sugar



Some happy shapes for Christmastime include four Christmas lights from General Electric. From the left, they are: Candle Brights, Star Dust, Lantern Lights and Lighted Ice. All of these run cool enough to be used on natural or artificial trees.

20 Ritz crackers crushed
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup chopped pecans
Butter pyrex pie plate. Chill. Beat egg whites stiff, add sugar slowly. Mix with other ingredients. Pour into chilled pie plate and bake 325 degrees about 30 minutes, cool and top with whipped cream.

CANDY

Chocolate Nut Clusters
1/2 lb. Baker's German Sweet chocolate broken up or grated
2/3 cup Eagle Brand Milk
1 cup chopped nuts
1 teaspoon vanilla
Mix vanilla with milk before heating. Melt chocolate in milk in a double boiler. Add nuts. Remove from heat but leave over hot water and drop by teaspoons on buttered cookie sheet or wax paper. Refrigerate until cool.

Date Nut Roll

Favorite candy of the family
2 cups sugar
2 tablespoons white syrup
1 cup water
2 tablespoons oleo
1 lb. chopped dates
1 cup chopped nuts
1 teaspoon vanilla
Boil sugar, water, syrup and oleo until soft ball stage. Add dates and cook until medium ball stage. Add chopped nuts and stir until cool then roll in damp cloth until cool.



THE CHRISTMAS PARTY BEGINS HERE... Early in December each year grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Buske decorate the Christmas tree, which has been put up in the living room of the Buske home. Stockings with names of each grandchild are hung in their proper places. Then wrapped packages are placed around the tree waiting for the afternoon of December 25. A family devotional, a gift exchange follows prayer, and sing-song of Christmas carols. Mrs. Buske and one of her three daughters, Mrs. Phillip Weatherly, and one of her four granddaughters, Penni Weatherly, are pictured with the tree.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa,
I would like a fat track and a ssp. My little sister, Devers, would like baby go bye bye and a coke machine. We have tried to be good.
Love,
Shain Rhodes

Dear Santa,
I want a electric train, a screaming demon, and an electric football set. Don't forget my brother Tim.
Love,
Mike Kirk

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a fat track for Christmas.
Love,
Brian Edelman

Dear Santa,
I want a cycle. Bring a screaming demon and some trucks.
Love,
Jesse

Dear Santa,
I want a GI Joe. I want a screaming demon. I want a big wheel. Thank you.
George Salas

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a foot-ball suit for Christmas.
Love,
Pilo Castillo

Dear Santa,
I want a funlight and Mrs. Beasley.
Rene Noland

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. I want a screaming demon, and a screaming demon, and a screaming demon.
Love,
Jesse



LET'S BEGIN HERE... Mrs. Phillip Weatherly points to a new recipe in the Better Homes and Garden cookbook as a beginning place for plans for the annual Buske family Christmas dinner in her home. Her daughter, Penni, and mother, Mrs. G. B. Buske will be co-hostesses for this year's dinner. Seventeen persons plan to be at the Weatherly home for dinner Saturday.



Christmas Blessings

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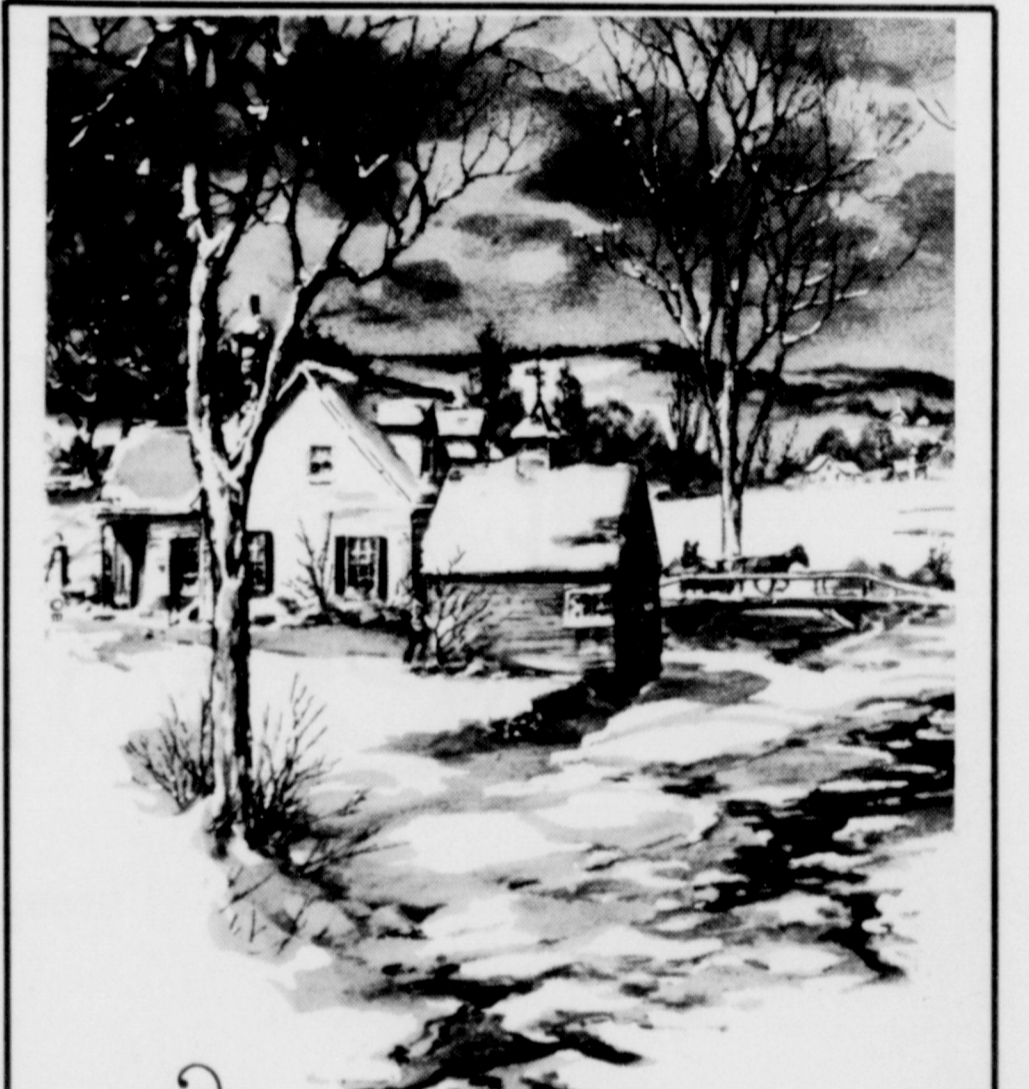
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Christmas greetings

In the spirit of an old-fashioned Christmas we extend best wishes to all. We hope you and your loved ones share in the many old-time joys and blessings of the season.



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Holiday Bird Glamorous With Wild Rice



A brace of golden roasted chickens, or a browned and hand some turkey, served with a Fruited Long Grain & Wild Rice Dressing is ideal for the small family for holiday dining. You can serve the glamorous wild rice mix as a stuffing, or as a side accompaniment.

The elegance of the wild rice accompaniment turns the roast chicken or small turkey into a special dish and it's extra easy to accomplish when you use convenient Long Grain & Wild Rice mix from Uncle Ben's, Inc., as the base. The rice blend is ready-seasoned with a combination of 23 herbs and spices. The extra touches you add are chopped apples, raisins, celery and nuts.

Perhaps the nicest quality about the holiday dressing is that you get the glamour addition of wild rice without extravagant expense. The same specialty rice mix can dress up other holiday dinners for the family or guests. It's also a good go-to for roast beef, pork, ham or even gourmet burgers.

FRUITED LONG GRAIN & WILD RICE DRESSING
 5 cups water
 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
 2 packages (6 oz. each) UNCLE BEN'S® Long Grain & Wild Rice
 2 medium apples, chopped (about 2½ cups)
 2 cups golden raisins
 1 cup diced celery
 1 cup chopped walnuts

Measure water and butter into saucepan. Stir in contents of rice and seasoning packets. Bring to boil. Cover tightly and cook over low heat 22 minutes. Stir in apples, raisins, celery and walnuts. Stuff bird with hot stuffing, allowing ½ cup per pound, or bake stuffing separately in a greased covered casserole.

Makes enough for two 4-pound roasting chickens or one 8 to 10-pound turkey.

AT CHRISTMAS

Bureau Serves Variety Of Guests

With polite sincerity—"And what date is Christmas?"

It took some effort to maintain composure, like it was the most natural question in the world. The tourist bureau travel counselor named December 25th.

"Ah so," said the Japanese. "Merry Christmas." He led the group of four in a slight, formal bow.

Serving more than a million travelers every year, the Highway Department's tourist bureaus well know that not everybody stays home for Christmas. Reasons for holiday travel are as varied as people, and people are varied. A few days before Christmas two folk singers from New Zealand hit the Wichita Falls tourist bureau. Leaving the summer of their native land behind, they were after new material. . . western ballads, Indian legends, and John Wayne riding into the sunset.

A Swede at the Highway Department tourist bureau at Amarillo kept interrupting his conversation with supervisor Neil Cox to gaze out a window at the plains, green with winter wheat. Incredible! How can the world be so flat. . . and so green at Christmas? Wouldn't leave until obtaining a movie camera and, with Cox's help, permission to shoot typical farms and ranches of the High Plains. People back in Sweden surely wouldn't believe it without film proof.

Just a few days before Santa's annual ride, and following the same course, an Eskimo from Alaska checked into the

Tourist Bureau at El Paso. He knew about the North Pole; this year he wanted to spend Christmas in Texas.

Three carolers honored tourist bureau personnel at Wichita Falls with "Stille Nacht," in perfect Teutonic accents. A full wing of German Air Force personnel train at Sheppard AFB there, and they like the tourist bureau. Holidays and Highway Department travel information offer perfect opportunities to discover Texas.

Another Japanese party, this one at the bureau in Laredo, was gathering Texas literature with their customary reserve, planning sight-seeing to fill the loneliness of holidays in a foreign land. Until another tourist bureau visitor struck up a conversation.

"You're from Sapporo? I was stationed in that beautiful city for three years!"

Delighted smiles. Reserve melted. An hour's reminiscences about favorite stores, tea hours, and exhilarating ski slopes. (Sapporo, on the northern island of Hokkaido, will be the site of the 1972 Winter Olympics.)

One tourist rushed into a state-line bureau about dusk, urgent for a route to Corpus Christi and the Rio Grande Valley. He was from the far northern reaches of the Midwest. With quiet desperation, "One more white Christmas would have been too much!"

Another expressed his abiding Christmas wish: a parking place large enough for his duplex Winnebago.

And of course, traditional

reasons for holiday travel head the list. At the tourist desk in the State Capitol, immensely proud grandparents from Arizona coming to spend their first Christmas with their first grandson. At the border bureau of Laredo, greeting American families from Panama who have driven the long kilometers of the Pan-American highway to be home for the holidays.

But best of all, say the travel counselors, are the young men. Eyes sparkling with excitement, they arrive singly or in groups of two or three. . . lean, sun-bronzed, and the Vietnam battle patch on their shoulders.

Like one who nursed an eight-year-old car across the state line at Orange, barely into the tourist bureau parking lot, no further. One tire blown out, radiator hose leaking, both generator and battery shot. And the driver limped.

Said the pretty travel counselor about his car troubles, "I'm sorry."

Grinning all the way to his ears, "Sorry Ma'm? It's Christmas, and I'm HOME!"

Another expressed his abiding Christmas wish: a parking place large enough for his duplex Winnebago.

And of course, traditional



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ASSIGNMENT . . . "Rudolph, with your nose so bright, won't you guide my sleigh tonight?" asks Santa Claus of the little shiny-beaked deer when a terrible blizzard strikes and threatens to cancel Christmas. It happens in "The Story of Rudolf," the television children's story which bids fair to become a seasonal classic.

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SEASON'S GREETINGS

We wish you a Christmas that's happy and filled with every good thing
 We wish you a Christmas that's cheery with the warmth friendships bring

We will be closed Christmas Day.

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Christmas Coffee Held In Allen Home



A Christmas coffee in the home of Mrs. Charles Allen, 1005 West Fifth Street, from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, was a courtesy for feminine employees of Friona State Bank.

Co-hostesses with Mrs. Allen were Mrs. Gary Brown, Mrs. Robert Neelley, Mrs. Dale Smith and Mrs. Jerry Hinkle. Special guests were Mrs. Frank A. Spring and Lola Goodwine.

The serving table was covered with a red linen cloth and centered with a tier of red candles entwined with greenery. A silver service completed the table setting.

Refreshments of coffee, spiced tea, cookies, fruit cake and Christmas candy were served to Mesdames Mitchell Henderson, James Cunningham, Harold Lillard, Truett Johnson, Wright Williams, Jack Nelson,

Owen Drake, Ray Strickland, Gary Hand, Fred Ferguson and Bill Wood.

Also Mesdames Charles Faulkner, Arnold Dailey, Audvie Barnett, R.L. Jackson, Clifton Harper and John Noland.

Dear Santa Claus:
Letters to the North Pole come scrawled on everything from notebook paper to post cards to pages torn from coloring books. Many of them don't seem to have the same spirit that they used to. The letters are often just lists — with or without a "please." Letter writers often reverse the addresses and return addresses on their envelopes. A post-office must decide where "North Pole, Alaska" is or "Santa Claus, North Pole, USA."

The Sweet Smell Of Christmas The Scents Of Yule Tradition



There are many books about Christmas, its magic and its meaning. None do it justice. Because, as every child knows, Christmas is a time for smells. It is a time for apple pie and sky high pine trees, for candy canes, hot chocolate and ginger bread boys. It is a time when entering the house is that special treat of "just one cookie" from the batch that is cooling.

Christmas is a time that takes too long to come and leaves too soon. A time filled with the excitement of anticipation and the pleasures of that anticipation fulfilled. GOLDEN PRESS remembers and has introduced a book that is truly special—a fragrance book. Now, for the first time, a child can not only hear a story about Christmas, he can smell it with 3M Micro-fragrance strips. THE SWEET SMELL OF CHRISTMAS is about Little Bear who is waiting for his first Christmas. His nose tells him something wonderful is going to happen.

Mother Bear bakes an APPLE PIE. Then Father Bear takes the bearkin to the woods to help him find a PINE TREE. Then they trim the tree with ornaments and CANDY CANES. Mother Bear makes GINGERBREAD BOYS, and on Christmas Eve they invite carolers inside for steaming HOT CHOCOLATE. Finally, when everyone is asleep, Santa comes and leaves presents and toys, and a stocking with a JUICY ORANGE for Little Bear.

THE SWEET SMELL OF CHRISTMAS (32 pages, \$2.95) was written by Patricia Scarry, wife of author-illustrator Richard Scarry and illustrated in full color by J. P. Miller. It will be available for the holiday season in book departments of all major outlets throughout the country.

Christmas Program Is Meeting Feature

Highlight of the Wednesday afternoon meeting of Friona Woman's Club was a Christmas program.

Following a brief business session, seventeen members answered roll call by relating a Christmas custom of her

Springs Host

Annual Dinner

The sixth annual Spring-Elis-White family Christmas dinner and gift exchange was held last Friday evening in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Lee Spring.

The menu consisted of roast beef, cheese grits, green beans almondine, a variety of holiday salads and a dessert of ice cream.

A gift exchange and game session followed the meal.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ellis, Laura and Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. John Fred White, Noel, Holly and Carol, and the host and hostess, Dr. and Mrs. Lee Spring and their children Gigi and Sandy.

BEFORE TURKEY
Roast peacock was a Yule delicacy of early England.

"Grandmothers" Honored By Class

Members of the Faith Class of the Friona United Methodist Church entertained with a "grandmother" Christmas party, Thursday afternoon in the Glen Herring home. Honored guests were presented carnation corsages. Honorees were Mesdames A.A. Crow, Pearl Hand, Foister Rector, Mary Durstine, A.H. Boatman, J.W. Roberts, J.L. Shaffer, A.W. Anthony, Sr. and Joe Collier.

The refreshment table fea-

ured the Christmas motif in decorations. Coffee, punch and cookies were served to thirty-three.

A Christmas sing-song and musical numbers by children of the hostesses furnished the program.

Others attending were Mrs. Jerry Loflin and Brent; Mrs. Ron Davenport and Wade; Mrs. Jerry Brown; Mrs. Jerry London; Mrs. Robert Neelley, Ben and Lee Ann; Mrs. Danny Sm-

ith; Mrs. Floyd Reive, Debbie and Denise; Mrs. Ted White and Bill; Mrs. Kenneth McLellan; Mrs. J.T. Gee; Mrs. Dale Cary and Patti; Mrs. Glen Herring, Kristie, Jamie and Jill; and Rev. Albert Lindley.

CAREFUL WITH COMMA!

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



We hope that Santa's good to you & brings you the best of everything!

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Manger Scenes Inspire Rejoicing

Dramatizing Birth of Christ Awakens Awe and Wonder

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

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

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

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



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

Begins in Italy

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

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

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

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

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

Told in Rhyme

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

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

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

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

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

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

Inspires Music

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

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

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

Classics Provide Yuletide Melodies

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

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

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

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

When what's-his-name arrives in town, everyone is glad to see him.

Who's that again? Oh, Santa Claus, of course. Or he could be—depending on where he is—St. Nick, Pere Noel, Father Christmas, St. Nicholas, Kris Kringle.

Washington Irving called him Father Knickerbocker. To Russians, he's Grandfather Frost.

This magical man of many names not only brings gifts,



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he also has a lot of special gifts and powers, according to the lore of Christmas.

Santa inherits his powers from St. Nicholas, a fourth-century bishop.

Consequently, he's said to

be gifted at guarding the fortunes of children, merchants and sailors. He takes a special interest in helping single girls find husbands, and the earliest pawnbrokers called him their patron.

Holiday Is Favorite Theme for Writers

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

His "Christmas Carol," published in 1843, is synonymous with holiday conviviality, and its underlying theme stresses the spiritual truths and blessings of the Nativity.

"God bless us, every one,"

cried Tiny Tim Cratchit, and the cry still echoes.

While Dickens may be a word for Christmas, many another author has written of this religious festival and merry feast.

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

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

These fictional heroines come to life for their readers, and never more so than in the Christmas-season story that opens the book, when the March family gave up a festive breakfast for a poor family.

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

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

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

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

His "A Christmas Memory," a short story, appeared as a television drama in 1966.



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Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be good this year. So please bring me a train for Christmas.
Love,
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Dear Santa,
I will be at Corpus Christi. This year I would like a sewing machine for Christmas.
Love,
Sherry

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a King Ding for Christmas and little King Ding that goes under a Big one.
Tommy

Dear Santa Claus,
I love you Santa Claus. I want a ssp and a box.
Love,
Gilbert

And so Dear, Santa on his way, Toys and presents, fill the sleigh.
The reindeer lead the merry ride to good little children, Far and wide,
I love you.
Conrado Perez

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a SSP and a bike.
I love you.
Winfield

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Barbie doll and clothes, my little brother his name is Roy Lee. He wants a motorcycle, record player and drums. We have been good. We love you.
Glendora and Roy Lee



WINS FIRST PLACE... Tony Don Allen, six month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Allen of Friona, was first place winner in the recent baby contest at Poster's. He has red hair and blue eyes. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Allen Jr. of Friona and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Cochran Jr., Hereford. Mr. and Mrs. John Allen Sr. of Friona are the paternal great-grandparents.

Santa Letters

Dear Santa,
I want a bike for Christmas and a little truck and a airplane and I want a little TV. And a little box with toys. I want some boots and a little bed. And a little rabbit. And some shirts and some shoes. And a horse. And some socks. And a car and that is all. Thank you your friend,
Juan Samarron

Dear Santa Claus,
I love you Santa Claus, please send me a baby doll for Christmas. I love you. Bye-Bye.
Love,
Donna Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I want a piano and a watch and a P.J. my sister wants a Baby tender Love. My other sister wants a Velvet and the other 2 things I want.
Love,
Lesia

Dear Santa,
Bring me some toys. I want a football game, and a pool table, B.B. gun, some little cars. I want you to come to my house and I want you to bring Roughdaph the Red Nose Reindeer.
Richard

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. Please bring me a record player, G.I. Joe, rock em Sock em Robot. My little brother wants a Robot, Guitar, and a G.I. Joe.
Love,
Michael

Dear Santa Claus,
Santa I want a football suit and two pairs of boxing gloves and a bike and a helmet and a machine of films, baseball and a bat, baseball glove that is all for this year Santa.
Love,
Hector

Dear Santa Claus,
Bring me some toys. I want a gift screaming demon Merry Christmas.
Love,
Marciano

Dear Santa,
I want a stuffed animal, a basketball, a maxi, a peggy pen pal, a pair of Go-Go boots.
Myra Dee Veazey



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

A Treasury of Christmas Wishes

May your holiday be full of glimmer... and brimming with precious memories. Sincere "thanks" to everyone.

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Tarts Make Delightful Yule Dessert

The holiday season is a time of wonderful eating pleasures. So many enticing specialty dishes appear on dinner tables... from fancy salads and glazes for meats, to festive desserts.

These pretty and delicious Lemon Chess Tarts will help you finish off a holiday meal in gay style. Chopped candied fruit is mixed into a lemon-flavored filling which is similar to the filling of a rich chess pie.

The tarts are baked in individual pastry shells. Make them in an attractive petal shape, if you wish. Then serve the desserts chilled, with a crown of whipped cream on each. For an extra little festive touch, sprinkle red or green candy glitter on the whipped cream.

You'll note that the filling calls for bottled lemon juice. It's more economical and convenient than having to squeeze fresh lemons.

Lemon Chess Tarts
12 small baked pastry tart shells

(may be made in petal shape)
2 eggs, beaten
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup butter
1/2 cup ReaLemon bottled lemon juice
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 cup chopped candied fruit*
1/2 cup coarsely chopped walnuts
1 teaspoon vanilla
Whipped cream, if desired

In a heavy saucepan, combine eggs, sugar, butter, ReaLemon bottled lemon juice and salt. Cook slowly, stirring constantly, until thickened. Add candied fruit, cool. Chill several hours or overnight, until mixture mounds when spooned. For serving, stir in walnuts and vanilla. Spoon into tart shells. Top with whipped cream, if desired. Yield: 12 tarts.

*1/2 cup seedless raisins and 1/2 cup chopped dates may be substituted for the candied fruit.

Best wishes for a Christmas season filled with merry moments and jolly spirits. And, a big bundle of cheer.

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Time to say:

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TRIPLE GOOD WISHES TO YOU!

No matter how many times you may say it, there's one wish that always comes straight from the heart... "Merry Christmas!" May the holiday season be truly merry for you, your friends and your family. We're glad to have had your patronage in the past and look forward to serving you again.

BOVINA WHEAT GROWERS OF RHEA

IT'S LEGAL
Alabama was the first U.S. state to make Christmas a legal holiday, in 1836.

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

KING'S MANOR WORKERS

Friona Group Enjoys Christmas All Year

BY LILAH GAYE GEE
The Christmas letter reads "Dear Board and Committee Members:—At Christmas time our hearts are especially thankful and we want you to know that we thank God for your dedicated service to King's Manor. It is good to have you on the team to direct the affairs of our Home."
Several Friona residents received this thank you Christmas greeting from King's Manor, a retirement center for older adults, located at Hereford. This letter is signed by Deke Kendrick, chairman of the board of trustees; Dr. John A. English, executive director; and Jack Reynolds, administrator of King's Manor, Methodist Homes, Inc. Included in the facility are The Manor proper and cottages for active, retired adults, plus Westgate for residents who need nursing care, all located on the same campus. Friona's good Samaritans give all the year 'round, not just at Christmas; they give of time, talents and finances. They give in a wide variety of ways

ranging from writing a letter for a near-blind resident at Westgate to serving as chairman of the board of trustees. One helps with the weekly singing; another with arts and crafts. Another practices the art of listening: one elderly woman confided wearily, "My grandson came to see me yesterday; his hair was so long it just broke my heart."
"I'll be all alone Christmas; I'll be glad when it's over."
"She plays a pretty good game of dominoes for a woman her age. You know, she is 96," said her 87 year old competitor. Such confidences are typical. One resident's fanatic support of the Dallas Cowboys is refreshing.
King's Manor Auxiliary was organized in 1969. Four local women are charter members—Lucy Faye Cocanougher, Mavis Burnam, Deke Kendrick and Lilah Gaye Gee.
Mrs. Cocanougher now serves as chairman of the Arts and Crafts committee. Mrs. Burnam, Mrs. Gee, Mrs. Ernest Anthony, Mrs. Hoyt Smith, Mrs.

Arthur Drake and Mrs. Leta Tannahill are members of the Resident Aid Committee. Mrs. Jake Outland assists Mrs. Cocanougher, and Mrs. Alan Clark helps with singing sessions on Tuesdays.
"I have never worked at anything that gives more satisfaction and personal fulfillment than this volunteer resident aid project at Westgate. Listening is an art I am cultivating," is the sentiment shared by these women.
"The salary is nil, but that Christmasy feeling is rewarding," states one who goes to Westgate regularly two afternoons a month.
The WSCS of Friona United Methodist Church will be hostess for the January birthday party. Friona Woman's Study Club and different Girl Scout troops from here visit and entertain at King's Manor.
That Christmas spirit of giving that lasts all year is exemplified by the participation of local feedlots and businesses in the Beef-a-Month Club. Donated beefs include those from Friona Feed Yards, H-Plains Feed Yard, Pioneer Cattle Co. and Pete Buske.
Crow's Meat Co., Friona, plays Santa Claus all year, too; they process some of the beefs free of charge.
King's Manor Founders' Association officers include two Frionans—G.B. "Pete" Buske as a director, and Mrs. J.T. Gee as secretary. H.K. Kendrick and J.T. Gee serve on committees. At the recent King's Manor Founders' Association dinner held annually in Hereford, Rev. Albert Lindley, minister of Friona United Methodist Church, was master of ceremonies, with J.T. Gee as program chairman. The music of Eva Miller and the Trebellaires was well received.

Rev. Lindley has been appointed to the King's Manor Board of Trustees.
"Christmas is Always," the title of a Dale Evans book, seems to express the sentiments of those connected with King's Manor in its various facets of activities. Time, the priceless essence of life is the gift these Friona people contribute to the effective operation of The Manor and Westgate.
The motto of King's Manor is "Adding years to life and life to years." Friona residents who received the Christmas letter mentioned at the first of this article could say the motto works more ways than one. Too, they could say with Tiny Tim in Dickens' Christmas Carol, "God bless us everyone!"
Residents at The Manor, the cottages, and Westgate keep copies of The Friona Star circulating rapidly. More than a dozen of the residents have close families in Friona. Will Harris, one of the older men, tells many stories of his having the first Friona hardware store in the early 1900's.
Mrs. Hazel Kendrick, mother of "Pudge" Kendrick, resides in one of the cottages. Mrs. Menefee, mother of Joe Menefee and Mrs. Ethel Curry, aunt of Mrs. Thelma Jones, lives in The Manor. Mrs. Carrie Lillard, C.L. Lillard's mother; Mrs. Burnam, mother of Bill Burnam; Mrs. Della Osborn, aunt of Mrs. Howard Ford; Mrs. Edelman, mother of W.L. Edelman; Mrs. Daley, mother of the late Mrs. J.T. Guinn.
Also, Mrs. Billie Brown, wife of Floyd Brown; Mrs. Rucker, mother of Mrs. Lola Nelson; Mr. Hartman, father of Mrs. Orville Houser; Mrs. Nannie Caraway, aunt of Mrs. Larry Dyess; Mrs. Jodie Darling, aunt of Mrs. Bruce Parr, are all Westgate residents.
"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus," and yes, World, there is a spirit of Christmas giving that lasts all year for a lot of Friona folks.

Season's Greetings



We're decking the halls
with holly 'n' mistletoe
And sending best wishes
to all the folks we know!

JOHNSON ABSTRACT

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Specialist Urges Use Of Nutritious Foods

On the 12 days of Christmas, serve economical, nutritious foods to your true loves, suggests Frances Reasonover, Extension foods and nutrition specialist at Texas A&M University.
Foods packed with nutritional goodness and tagged with reasonable prices are represented in each of the four food groups, Miss Reasonover reminds.
From the meat group include turkey, pork, broiler-fryers and eggs in holiday meal planning; from the fruit-vegetable group include potatoes, apples, cranberries and split and fresh pears; from the milk group include a custard; and from the

cereal group include rice, she suggests.
Using these foods for Christmas dinners and snacks will help boost good eating, yet cut down on too many sweets and too many calories, the specialist points out. For example, turkey is relatively low in calories, but it's what you add to the turkey that hikes up the pounds. So if serving turkey with dressing, which represents the bread group, cut down on other breads.
Sweet potatoes with marshmallows, a traditional dish to serve, should be accompanied with low-calorie vegetables, seasoned with appropriate spices but with little or no butter or margarine, she says. Vegetables prepared this way will better complement the flavor of the sweet potatoes.
Finish the meal with a hearty custard that represents the milk group, and garnish with a cherry.
Cranberries can be used in salads such as an ambrosia or served plain as cranberry sauce, Miss Reasonover suggests. Or try a cranberry upside-down cake for afternoon snacking. To make, spread canned whole cranberry sauce over the bottom of a buttered cake pan, top with a simple sponge or butter cake mix, bake as directed and invert onto a platter.
When serving traditional Christmas goodies to your family, then, don't forget the importance of good nutrition and calorie watching. You'll have both a merrier holiday and a happier new year, Miss Reasonover adds.

Serving Tips Are Given

There's a good flavor in every part of a turkey—from breast to back—plus countless ways for preparation, reminds Sally Springer, Extension foods and nutrition specialist.
Here are some ideas for various parts:
Turkey bones, bits and skin—stock or bouillon.
Turkey stock—soups, jellied consommé, sauces, casseroles.
Sliced turkey—cold and hot plates, sandwiches, casseroles.
Turkey pieces (chunks or cubes)—stews and pies, casseroles, creamed turkey, salads, specialty dishes (curry, chow mein, spaghetti).
Ground turkey—sandwiches, roads, hash, croquettes and timbals, loaves, cutlets, mock birds, mousses, turkey burgers.
Turkey liver—salads, sandwich spreads, stuffing, gravy.
Turkey giblets—sauces, gravies, stuffing.



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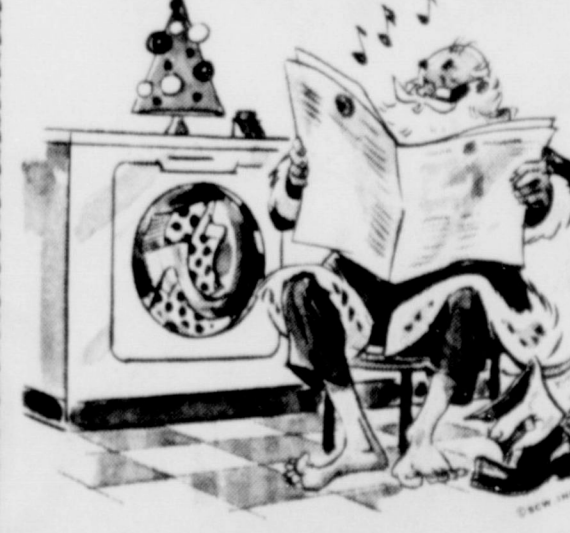
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