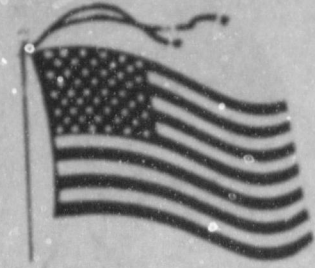


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## Sub-Freezing Temperature Hanging On

*around  
muleshoe*

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Texas Employment Commission, 112 E. Ave B, Muleshoe, is having 'OPEN HOUSE' Friday, December 22, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.  
They said they would like to invite friends, neighbors, farm and business employers and applicants, to stop by to have coffee, punch and cookies.  
This is TEC's second open house, and they said last year was quite successful.

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On Saturday, December 23, the Bailey County Civic Center is expected to be 'packed' with people for the annual Muleshoe Activities Committee's annual Christmas drawing.

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This year, a record \$2,500 will be given, along with at least 15 turkeys, according to Kay Mardis who is secretary of MAC.

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Mrs. Mardis said all MAC members will be giving double stamps this week, and if you are not given double MAC stamps, be sure to ask for them.

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She also said tickets for the JennyMAC pickup will be sold up to drawing time. Tickets are \$10 each for the new, fire-engine red pickup.

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Trinity Baptist Church of Muleshoe will have its annual Christmas Eve candlelight service, this Sunday, December 24, at 6 p.m.

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The church is located at East 4th and Ave. B. The pastor, Rev. Dale Perry, said, "The public is always welcome."

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Vana Pruitt, daughter of Jarrell and Olgaline Pruitt, graduated from Texas Tech University on Saturday, December 16.

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She received a BBA degree in marketing.  
Vana Pruitt is a 1985 graduate of Muleshoe High School.

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Lola Pylant, DECA instructor at Muleshoe High School, has announced, "Beginning on Tuesday, December 19, your MHS Student Council will be handing out red ribbons to be tied to a visible location of your vehicle to symbolize your commitment to drive smart and drive sober."  
"Let's give a new meaning to 'Tie One On.' Join us and promote a safe and sober holiday season."

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Mrs. Pylant said, "Let's all work together to make this a happy and safe holiday season -- for everyone."



RICKY MATA



**IN A CRISIS. ANY TRANSPORTATION WILL DO.**—Shown at the home of Kem and Lori Bailes, is this rather unique style of transportation for Santa Claus and his bag of toys. If you read the inscription in front of the tractor, it shows how another method of transportation can be used when Santa's sleigh breaks down. Thus allowing Jolly Ole' St. Nick transportation to see that all the youngsters get their toys for Christmas. (Journal Photo)

### City Still Showing Some Increase With Current Tax Rebate Check

State Comptroller Bob Bullock said Monday that sales tax rebates to Texas cities in 1989 topped \$1 billion for the first time in the state's history.

"People are spending more money and that means more tax dollars are going back to communities for fire fighting, police protection and safe roads," Bullock said.

This year's total payments to cities reached \$1.04 billion, nine percent more than last year's total of \$956 million at this time, Bullock said. Payments to cities this month totaled \$72 million, over 13 percent more than last December's payments of \$64 million.

Muleshoe's rebate check for the current pay period was \$17,437.48, an increase of 14.32 percent over last year's payment at this time of \$15,253.35. To date this year, Muleshoe has received a total of \$230,726.11, an increase of 6.09 percent over last year's total at the same time of \$217,482.29.

In Cochran County, Morton showed a decrease in their current payment of 4.16 percent. Their latest payment was for \$4,499.64, down from the figure of \$4,694.95 at the same time a year ago. Last year, Morton had \$61,366.06 for the year, and this year, is down 2.84 percent from \$63,210.00.

Morton's total payments to date are down 2.84 percent for the year. At this time last year, they had received \$61,366.06, compared to \$59,624.00 to date in 1989.

Littlefield shows a very slight gain for the current pay period, and for the year. They received a current payment of \$15,156.59, as compared to the \$14,961.37 for the same time last year. This is an increase of 1.30 percent. To date for the year, Littlefield has received \$255,950.87, up 1.33 percent from the \$252,595.84 received to date at the same time a year ago.

From Parmer County, Friona shows a decrease for the current period, and an increase for the year. Their current payment of \$7,045.73 is down 5.18 percent from the \$7,430.43 of a year ago. To date for the year, Friona has received \$105,090.12, up 4.10 percent from the \$100,947.07

shown for the same time last year.

Houston received a check for \$12 million, which is 12 percent more than last December's \$10.7 million. Dallas received the second largest payment at \$8.2 million.

Payments to counties totaled \$7.1 million, compared to \$6.4 million last December. Bullock noted that this year's total payments to counties shown an increase of 40 percent over last year's because more counties collect the tax this year than last year.

This month's checks to cities and counties reflect taxes collected in October by businesses that file monthly tax returns. Also included with this month's checks were quarterly payments totaling \$130 million for the state's six metropolitan transit authorities and one city

It was a real 'strange' weekend in and around Muleshoe. On Saturday, the temperature never reached above 36 degrees, after an overnight low of around nine degrees early Saturday morning.

It was cloudy, cold, and put just a slight 'damper' on Christmas shoppers. On Sunday, the sun broke through, and the temperature warmed up, holding until early afternoon on Wednesday, when the high reached 58 degrees.

However, around 3 p.m. on Monday, the southwest wind changed to the north, and the temperature started steadily dropping. Within an hour, the temperature had dropped to the

low 30's and continued to a low of eight degrees again, with light snow on Tuesday morning.

By 3 p.m. Tuesday, the high for the day was reached at 36 degrees, but the sun was once again shining.

With all the recent very cold temperature, with eight straight days of early morning temperatures being 10 degrees or below, little to no moisture has been received.

Last Friday, a light accumulation of less than half an inch of snow was recorded, before being melted by noon.

Tuesday morning, the light Cont. Page 6, Col. 1

### Christmas is...

By: Hal Norman

Christmas is the gaily decorated evergreen tree that takes up one whole corner of a cozy living room. It is the colorful greeting cards that are thumb-tacked around the door between the dining-room and living-room. It is the aroma of all the good things that mother and big sister have been cooking and baking for the past two weeks. It is the loon on a six-year-old's face when he finds that one perfect gift with his name on it.

Christmas is a pregnant girl, still in her teens, resting fitfully on a bed of straw, ready to give birth. It is the tall young man, watching over her with love. It is the Imperial decree which has brought them here to the small town of Bethlehem, to be enrolled in the imperial census. It is the vastly overcrowded caravanserai which has forced them to take shelter in this stable.

Christmas is the sign hanging over Main Street which says, "Merry Christmas to one and all" and which hasn't changed in at least twenty-five years. It is the sales that start right after Thanksgiving and sometimes before. It is the friendliness on people's faces, even more so than usual. It is Santa Claus, arriving right on schedule at the mall, to have his picture taken with all the laughing kids in town, except for the one tot who is scared to death of this fat man with a white beard.

Christmas is a group of shepherds, sleepily keeping watch over their sheep. It is a great light which suddenly brings them awake, full of fear. It is an angel's voice which stills their fears, and tells them to go to the town, where they will find a gift beyond measure, lying in a manger.

Christmas is relatives. Around our house, it was always Christmas, rather than Thanksgiving, when the family got together. It was Uncle Juel and Aunt Bertha, down from Wadena; Uncle John and Aunt Elsie, up from St. Joe; Uncle Fritz and Aunt Doris, over from Alexandria; Grandpa and Gramma Eastman, and a houseful of others. There were at least a dozen of us cousins, all within two or three years of each other in age, and we really enjoyed each other.

Christmas is a star, guiding wise men from the East. They have traveled far, and are reaching the end of their journey. They, too, are guided to the stable.

Christmas is the tears that stream down an old lady's face as the youth choirs from the local churches come a-caroling at the nursing homes. It is the gratitude on a down-but-not-out young man's face as he is given some warm clothes at the local Salvation Army. It is the feeling of belonging, the feeling that someone loves them and cares, to the street people who enjoy a meal and a warm bed at the Union Gospel Mission.

Christmas is the reason Joseph and Mary made that trip. Christmas is the reason the angels appeared to the shepherds. Christmas is the reason the star led the wise men. Christmas is the reason we put up the decorations, sing the carols, feed and clothe the poor. Christmas is the reason our families gather in love, and share gifts.

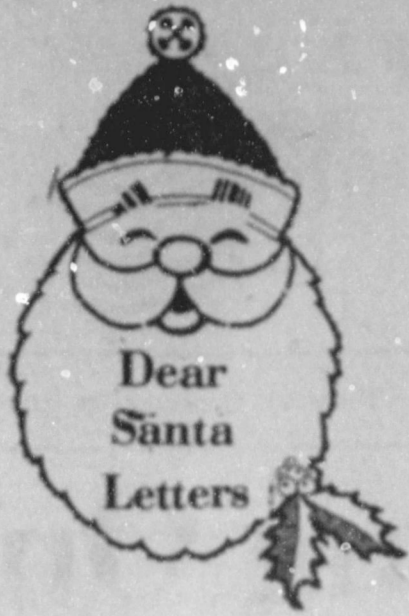
Christmas is two small hands waving from a bed of hay; Christmas is two hands nailed to a cross. Christmas is a gentle face looking on with the multitudes; Christmas is a face bloody and barely recognizable, looking with love on the multitudes as He dies on the cross. Christmas is a strong young man commanding the elements to obey Him; Christmas is a young man, scourged and hanging from a cross in death.

Christmas is all of these, and so much more. Christmas is God's gift of love to man. Christmas is... *Jesus Christ.*

## MAC Christmas Drawing Saturday

**\$2,500 In MAC Bucks To Be Given Away - Plus The JennyMAC Pickup**  
Bailey County Civic Center - 2:00 P.M.





And I want a little book from Bambi and some toy bears. I love you.

Leslie Franco

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a Barbie, a color book, colors, dolls, a new TV (a play one), a Barbie suitcase, chalks, a board, a notebook, a backpack, pencils, marbles, a thing that looks like a crystal all-it has snow in it and a bear. I want a stapler and real candy.

I love you.

Amanda Mendoza

Dear Santa Claus,

I want some toys. A gun and a remote control car, a remote

control motorcycle, a Hot Wheel, and some Super Chargers, remote control Big Wheel, and a car wash.

Love you,  
Tad Lutz

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a TV with one of those remotes that when you're in bed you can just change it. And one of these big chalkboards with my little sister and a ruler with a marble jar and marbles and when we get the marble jar full we're going to have a party at the house. I'll invite my cousins over to my party-all of them. I want a bear with snow in it and when it's

Christmas I'll get it out and put it on my dresser. I want a little Christmas tree to put on my dresser. I want stickers for Christmas and knockers. They're these things when you hit them together fire comes out. I want a number chart and little coloring sheets that we can color at home.

I'm going to leave you some cookies and some milk. Two batches of cookies; so when you get finished with one batch you can have the other one.

I love you.

Brandon Burris

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a microphone that you can speak through it and it has

some flashing lights that you can see in the dark. I want a Barbie Star. And there was something I saw. It was a mat. It was a machine and you pushed a number on the machine And you got on that number on the mat and you got to twist on the whole mat.

I'll leave some Christmas tree cookies, a plate, and a glass of milk for you.

I want a Barbie Soda Shop, a Barbie Ice Cream Shop, and a Barbie that has a spotless dress. And you see she has a blue skateboard that changes into a scooter. And I want Cherry Merry Muffin. And I want my own TV-a little TV. And I want a

marble jar that has marbles. I love you.

Nikki Bond

I also want this kitchen that you can make real cookies or real cake or real something or real anything.

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a dog and a cat and a lamb and a car (for a toy, I know) and a ballerina and a reindeer.

I'm going to leave you cookies and milk.

I love you.

Cayla Mitchell



Dear Santa,

I Love you. I want a Fashion Star Filly, a picture of Bambi, a toy duck, a play refrigerator, play curtains, a baby and a bear.

I will you some cookies and milk.

Love,  
Tara

Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie, Bambi and a book.

Love you,  
Danielle

Dear Santa

I want, Precious Placez Computer, Legos, Baby Bubbles, Osy Daisy. I want you to come to my house on Christmas eve.

Love  
Leslie

Dear Santa,

I am Eric and I am 3 yrs. old. I want a sword, a skateboard, a big big gun, a real t.v. for our playroom cause we don't have one in there. Also a firemans hat. I will leave you some milk and cookies for when you get to my house.

I Love You,  
Eric Newton

Dear Santa,

I want a little Miss Makeup, a little lost and found, a Dolly Surprise, a tisket a tisket a flower making basket, a hop scotch. I also want ato get my Mom's ring fixed and my Dad some new jeans and my little brother Eric some new jeans. I will leave you some tator tots and a glass of water. Thats all I have on my mind.

I love you,  
Kayla Newton

from tj to Santa

Dear Santa I want Huffey Sonic 6 bike and fling fiter and mimey dol phens pants shirt and halmet and shoulder pads for it and mimy depen football merry christmas

Dear Santa,

I want a house and I want crayolas and a little Christmas tree, a lunch box, a toy from Mickey Mouse, pictures for me and my sisters and my family, a sheet of paper, a tape that goes in a VCR-like Bambi, a balloon bag with balloons in it, a watch, a candy, a gold slip, and some glitter.

I want you to bring candy to Brandon. I want you to bring flowers for my grandma, a baby for my mom, shoes for Roman, tee-shirt for Rosemary doll for Mandy, a thing around for Matina, some dishes for Myna, a picture from me for Raymond and nothing else.

I'm going to put milk and cookies. I'm going to put two cups and two bowls of cookies and some bread.



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## Unusual characters abound in old Christmas legends

In today's America, with street corner Santas the norm, and children across the country growing up charmed by TV versions of Santa's elves, it may be hard to believe that there is a multiplicity of demons and other frightening apparitions associated with the Christmas season, as well.

But, in fact, in the Yule legends of a myriad of countries, these figures have their place, part of the mystery and merriment that have their roots in the pagan past, and which infused Christianity as Christianity itself changed to absorb and accommodate the diverse peoples to whom it reached out, and whose lives it strove to change.

Thus, from the snow-clad lands of the distant north, to the sun-kissed Mediterranean, demons peek out of Christmas lore, tantalizing glimpses into all-but-forgotten traditions, which in turn invite us to inquire into a past even farther removed.

One of the most persistent legends, in a myriad of countries, is of a demon who accompanies Saint Nicholas on his travels.

In Holland, it is Black Peter who goes along with Saint Nicholas when he makes his gift-giving rounds, carrying for Saint Nicholas his sack of presents, and making sure that the appropriate gifts are sent down the chimneys of each home, and into the waiting shoes of the children of each household.

### Eerie aspects

All this may sound rather innocuous, but the legend takes on eerie reverberations when we realize that, in the Middle Ages, "Black Peter" was the name used by the Dutch to refer to the Devil.

This aspect of his character is in fact revealed by the second sack Black Peter carries, for it is into this bag that Black Peter puts those children guilty of misbehavior, who are then carried off for punishment.

In Czechoslovakia, Black Peter's role is taken by Cert. Garbed entirely in black and carrying chains and a whip, Cert follows behind Svaly Mikalás (Saint Nicholas) as he makes his rounds.

While Svaly Mikalás rewards the good children with gifts, Cert uses the tools he carries to punish those who have erred.

In some parts of Austria, Cert's counterpart is the Klaubauf, who accompanies Saint Nicholas on the visits he makes on his holy day, December 6th.

More a beast than a man, the Klaubauf has horns, a furry coat, a black visage, burning eyes and a tongue as lengthy as it is crimson. Wearing only rags and restrained by chains, his appearance is usually sufficient warning for children who have been tempted to misbehave.

Elsewhere in Austria, the Klaubauf's role and responsibilities are assumed by

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Krampus, who threatens naughty children with the whip he holds. He never gets to put his threats into practice, however, because of Saint Nick's benign—and timely—intervention.

Hans Trapp, a German demon, is another character of this type. He, like the Klaubauf, is bestial in nature; his face is blackened and his outfit is a bearskin. It is the Christkind (Christ child), rather than Saint Nicholas, whom he is believed to precede, on his journey to distribute presents.

Needless to say, Hans Trapp's role in the legend is to frighten the children he encounters; this behavior continues until he is sent off by the Christkind's arrival on the scene.

In France, Pere Fouchette, whose name derives from the word for the birch rod he carries, accompanies Father Christmas on his rounds.

However, while Pere Noel rewards with presents those children who have behaved all year, Pere Fouchette uses his rod when necessary, and has even been known to cart off, on occasion, the very worst boys and girls in a basket which he carries for that very purpose.

Even more threatening are the Greek Kallikantzari. Like many figures out of ancient Greek mythology, the Kallikantzari are only half-human.

These evil creatures spend their miserable lives underground, dedicated to the dubious work of destroying the roots of the tree which, legend says, holds up the earth. However, at Christmas, their labors end in failure, as the tree is revitalized by Christ's birth.

In their fury, the legend continues, the Kallikantzari emerge from the depths of the earth to assuage their anger, which they do through a series of often cruel practical jokes.

They can be discouraged, however; methods for accomplishing this feat range from suspending the jawbone of a pig in the chimney or on the door, to keeping the Christmas log burning merrily on the hearth, to throwing old shoes or salt onto the fire, in the hope that the resulting odor will repel the evil ones.

Not frightening but merely playful is the Danish imp and trickster, the Julnisse, who is renowned for the practical jokes he orchestrates.

He can usually be found in old farmhouses, often in the attic, dressed in his traditional costume which incorporates gray clothes, white clogs, and red cap and hose. How anyone has determined his attire remains a mystery, as no one but the family feline has ever encountered him.



May your hearth be filled with joy.

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Danish farmers show their wisdom by making peace with the Julnisse; this they accomplish by feeding him rice pudding on Christmas Eve. In return, the Julnisse guards their animals.

### American legends

Most of these figures of gloom, ill tidings and mischief, unknown to most Americans, have been lost in the mists of time. The only one which seems to have crossed the Atlantic to the New World is Belsnickle, a descendant of the German Knecht Ruprecht, who is part of Pennsylvania Dutch Christmas legend.

Like so many others of these mysterious figures a sidekick of Saint Nicholas, Belsnickle (who appears dressed in a sheet, his face hidden by a mask) is responsible for making sure that naughty children are taught the error of their ways.

Belsnickle aside, mischievous American children have it easy. Because, while Santa may be "keeping a list and checking it twice," and, while the well-behaved children may be rewarded, for the most part there is no Black Peter to emerge out of legend to mete out punishment to those who have misbehaved.

And, no doubt, Santa himself looks the other way and fills the stockings of even naughty children with toys and candy instead of coal.

And, after all, that's the spirit of giving, a spirit which Christmas exemplifies, and which is more powerful by far than the ominous spirit of Black Peter and his kin, whose medieval viciousness is not in harmony with the Christmas spirit as we know it, enjoy it and spread it today.

## New Pay Day Laws Affect Employers

"Some changes are about to take place with the state's payday laws and business men and women need to be aware of them," Mary Scott Nabers, Commissioner of the Texas Employment Commission has warned.

The 71st Texas Legislature amended the Texas Payday Law during the regular 1989 session and transferred enforcement responsibility to the Texas Employment Commission beginning in January of 1990.

The new law requires the Commission to collect wages owed to workers that have not been paid. The new law also authorizes the Commission to levy administrative penalties against employers who in bad faith fail to pay wages or who fail to pay them when due. This penalty may not exceed the amount of wages in question or \$1000. The old Payday Law had no wage collection provisions and provided for a flat penalty of \$50

against employers who failed to pay wages owed.

"Although the new law imposes no hardship on the vast majority of employers who pay their employees on a timely basis, it has some provisions worth noting in order to avoid potential problems," Commissioner Nabers said.

### NEW PROVISIONS INCLUDE:

1. Employers must pay employees who are not subject to the overtime provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act at least once a month and must pay all other employees at least twice monthly. Each pay period must consist as nearly as possible of an equal number of days. Employers must designate paydays, and if they fail to do so, paydays shall be the 1st and 15th of each month.

2. Notices must be posted prominently in the workplace designating official paydays. Employers may pick up notices from local Texas Employment

Commission offices throughout the state after January 1, 1990.

3. An employer may not withhold or divert any part of an employee's wages unless the employer: (a) is authorized to do so by a court of competent jurisdiction; (b) is authorized to do so by state or federal law; or (c) has written authorization from the employee to deduct a part of the wages for a lawful purpose.

Employers should pay particular attention to item (c) because it has broad implications, including but not limited to deductions for loans or advances of wages to employees, group insurance, employee uniform rental, etc.

4. The new law does not allow wage claims to be filed for vacation pay, sick leave pay, parental leave pay, or severance pay unless it is owed to an employee under a written agreement with the employer or under a written policy of the employer.

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Merry Christmas



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Merry Christmas



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## Journal Files

### 60 Years Ago

1929

#### LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa Clause:

I can hardly wait for you to come. I want you to bring me a little trunk, doll and buggy, a coaster wagon, a merry-go-round, a washing set, a large ball, a folding black board and lots of nuts, candy and fruit.

Don't forget any of the children for they all love Santa.

Your little friend

Irene Marie Askew (Splawn)

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Dear Old Santa

I will drop you a few lines to let you know I haven't forgot you. I'm seven years old and am in the second Reader. I like to go to school fine.

I want you to bring me a air gun tinker toys, nuts, oranges, candy, apples and a little red wagon.

James Warren

### 50 Years Ago

1939

#### 31 TOWN LOTS AND 1,804 ACRES LAND CHANGE HANDS

Noticable in real estate transactions during September is the fact of 31 lots having changed hands in Bailey County, the larger majority of such lots being located in Muleshoe.

Many of these lots being purchased during the last month are already in the process of being improved with residences and other types of buildings being erected on them. There was also a total of 1,804 acres of land to change hands last month, according to records at the

### Tops Club

Muleshoe TOPS chapter No. 24 met at 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 14 in the Heritage Thrift Shop with 18 members present. The meeting was called to order with the TOPS pledge, fellowship song and a prayer led by Laverne James.

Orville Burris called the roll and it was reported that the sides are even in the "Christmas Free" contest.

Lucille Harp was named best loser for the week. Evelene Harris was first runner-up and Betty Jo Davis was second runner-up.

Following a short business meeting the meeting was adjourned and the group enjoyed a Christmas party. Secret pals were revealed and gifts exchanged.

Best loser for the Thursday, Dec. 7 meeting was Mary Edmiston. Runners-up were Mollie Davis, first and Evelene Harris, second.

For the month of November, Alma Robertson was best loser. Runners-up were Cleta Robertson, first, and Evelene Harris, second.

Alene Bryant and Alma Robertson received charms for 40 weeks consecutive attendance. Cleta Robertson and Zanea Kelley received a charm for 32 weeks attendance. Cleta Robertson and Mollie Davis received charms for weight loss.

county clerk's office.

### 40 Years Ago

1949

#### WEATHER WILL NOT STOP THE SCHOOLS

School will go on every day in Muleshoe regardless of the weather. This is the decision of school authorities, announced by Supt. C.W. Grady, who said the announcement was being made in order to eliminate confusion in bad weather likely to come during this winter.

If the buses can make their run they will be out on their regular routes; if they don't make their runs, children will not be counted as absent.

But the teachers will be on the job and there will be school, no matter what the weather for those who can be there.

### 30 Years Ago

1959

Grocery specials advertised this week in the Journal included: 3 pound can Crisco 79 cents; No. 300 can tomato juice 10 cents; No. 303 can tomatoes 10 cents; No. 303 can green beans 10 cents; No. 303 can corn 6 for \$1; No. 300 can beef stew 3 for \$1; jumbo package franks 3 for 99 cents; 12 ounce package bologna 39 cents; 2 pound package bacon 69 cents; round steak 79 cents pound; picnics 29 cents pound; pork roast 39 cents pound; short ribs 29 cents pound; and shoulder roast 69 cents pound.

### 20 Years Ago

1969

#### SANTA LETTERS

Dear Santa

Please bring me a gun, and hot wheels and a truck

Love  
Jackey Burris

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Dear Santa

This christmas I want: a mini bike or a bike, a hot wheels set, a football set, a watch, a telescope, supercys, a 4 way base station, a transistor radio, a toolsweet set, a pogo stick and a silly soap maker.

Your friend  
Randy Watkins

### 10 Years Ago

1979

#### GROCERY STORE CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN SOON

Steve Stevens of Town and Country Food Stores, informed the Journal Friday morning that plans are near completion to begin construction on a new grocery store in Muleshoe.

The convenience type store will be located at 20th and American Blvd and construction is expected to begin within the next two months according to the developer.

We are bound to our bodies like an oyster to its shell.

-Plato.



'CHRISTMAS FOLLIES'...Wednesday afternoon the second grade class at Dillman Elementary presented 'Santa's Workshop' and a parade of various dolls, for parents and friends. (Journal Photo)

## Rebekah Lodge Elects Officers For New Year

Muleshoe Rebekah Lodge No. 114 met Dec. 5 with the meeting being called to order by Noble Grand Linda Tosh. Dorothy Browning carried the American Flag and Ruby Garner carried the Rebekah flag escorted by Joyeline Costen. Opening prayer was given by Patsy Chance.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The committee for draping of the charter for Hazel Nowell will be chaired by Patsy Chance. Seventeen sisters and one brother were in attendance at the meeting.

June Green read a letter from Opal Talley. A treasurer's report was given by Adele Tompkins.

It was reported that the members approved Ruby Green looking into a thermostat and painting the front door of the Lodge Hall.

Officers were elected and are as follows: Noble Grand, Patsy Chance; Vice Grand, Dorothy Browning; treasurer, Thursie Reid; secretary, June Green; representative, Novella Price; alternate, Louise Allen; team captain, Novella Price; and trustee for three year term, Fern Davis.

Candy McWhorter gave a talk for the Muleshoe Rebekah Lodge on Dec. 12 on team work.

Refreshments were served by Terie Snell and Dorothy Browning. It was reported that after the informative talk, Noble Grand Linda Tosh called the meeting to order. Eighteen members were present and the opening prayer was given by Sandi Robinson. The flag was presented by Dorothy Browning. The Rebekah flag was presented by Ruby Garner. Music was played by Clara Lou Jones. June Green, secretary, called the roll and read

the minutes from the previous meeting.

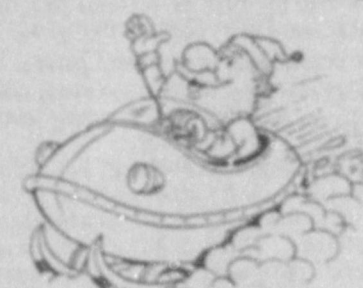
Several members reported friends and relatives sick and cards were sent to them. Memorials were sent to the Childrens Home in honor of Clyde Parish and Hazel Nowell.

Communications from the State President were read and acted upon. A letter from the local Boy Scouts was read and it was approved that the lodge would give \$50 to help them on their building fund.

Adopted members of the home of the aged were sent cards and it was suggested that if anyone wanted to take small gifts to send to the adopted members should do so at the next meeting.

Adele Tompkins reported skating showed a profit of \$35.30. It was voted that the Lodge Christmas party would be next week and that each one should take a gift in value of 40 cents to

\$1. The 11 of Feb. will be the Secretary and Scribes Meeting to be held here in Muleshoe. A discussion was held on Sandi and Pat assisting in June in the preparation for the meeting.



Dear Santa,

Please bring me a pocket knife and a BB gun with BB's. I wish my mom gets a big drum to bang on.

Love,

Dear Santa, Drew Robinson  
What I want for Christmas is two pretty girls from Florida with bakines on. I also wish that I could have a lamborghini.  
Your friend,  
Kyle Kindle



Dear Santa,

I want a pelletgun, a telescope, and a mat for the trampoline. The thing I really want most is a fourwheeler, a camera, remote-control, and a good happy Christmas.

Sincerely,  
Fidencio Cortez

Dear Santa,

I want a Lamborghini, pump 410, Game Boy with three games that go with it, Bow and Arrow, Cross Bow, Pellet Gun with a scope and a new Gun Case.

Sincerely,  
Darren Box

Dear Santa,

I want truck, bike, gun, bus, GI Jo.

Tony Fierro

Dear Santa,

I want a stove, I want a bike, I want a rambo, I want a Baby doll, I want a Care Bears, I want Pony.

Brenda Castillo

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## Bridal Shower Honors

### Miss Ginger Jesko

The home of Donna Glover was the scene of a bridal shower Sunday, Dec. 17 honoring Ginger Jesko, bride-elect of John David Agee.

Ginger Jesko, Brenda Jesko and Sharon Agee greeted the guest as they arrived between the hours of 2 and 4 p.m.

The hostesses served Christ-

mas punch, and cookies from copper and brass appointments.

The serving table was covered with a Christmas red table cloth and accented with a copper punch bowl with Christmas greenery and brass candlesticks.

Hostesses for the event were Julie Cage, Melba King, Marilyn Young, Rika Anderson, Sue Bessire, Sharon Williams, Sydna Flowers, Pamela Migler, Donna Glover, Judy Brockman, Billie Mason, Coralynn Jarman, Vernie Schacher, Eunice Schilling, Mary Rose Brito, Pam Baker, Martha Nell Schilling and Mary Mesman.

The hostesses gift was a brass lamp.

### Mary's Baby

#### To Be Presented

#### At Methodist Church

The Richland Hills Baptist Church would like to share Christmas with you. On Sunday, Dec. 24, during the morning worship hours "Mary's Baby will be presented. The Rev. Allen Peterson will be the narrator.

The choir will be directed by Gary Freeman and Danny Kelly. Betty Freeman and Becky Otwell will present solo's.

Mary's Baby depicts Christ from the Manger to the Cross.

"Everyone is welcome to share this message in song" stated a member of the church.



MISS GINGER JESKO

## Check Gift Foods For Safety

Arrival of a Christmas gift package may generate excitement for family members, but if it contains food, check it out carefully.

If it is marked "parishable," and you are not certain of the treatment it has received, you may have to discard it for safety's sake. Dr. Al Wagner, a food technologist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, said whether the food is safe will depend on what it is, how cold it is, and how it was packaged.

"Gift food companies typically freeze perishable food solid so that overnight delivery in cold weather guarantees it will arrive still cold," he said. "But what can't be guaranteed is having someone at home to receive the food and refrigerate it."

Wagner said in Texas, you can't count on cold weather either, and perishables that sit in a delivery truck, mail box or on the front porch on a warm December afternoon may quickly thaw and become hazardous.

Calls received by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's national Meat and Poultry Hotline in the 1987 holiday season showed that the greatest number of calls about mail-order foods concerned smoked or smoked and vacuum-packed hams and turkeys.

"Many consumers don't understand that just because meat has been smoked, doesn't automatically mean it's cooked. In addition, all meat-cooked or uncooked--should be shipped with an ice source to keep it at or below 40 degrees Fahrenheit, just like a refrigerator," Wagner said.

He said consumers also should

check the label to see if the product contains preservatives. In a cured product, such as a ham, the preservatives will aid in protecting against spoilage if it is left out for a short time.

"Thorough re-heating before serving is an added safeguard but no guarantee against the summer sausage and others go. If the label says "keep refrigerated," the sausage should be cold.

• Cheese should not contain mold, unless the mold is part of the product, such as blue cheese.

• Cheesecake should be frozen solid.

Wagner said if the food product requires refrigeration and isn't frozen or cold, don't serve it.

## Christmas morning



CHRISTMAS MERRIMENT started early in the morning. Here, in a whimsical illustration from an 1867 issue of Harper's Weekly, a family of children playing drums and blowing horns invades their parents' bedroom. Where are the gifts?

### A NOISY CHRISTMAS TRADITION

Despite their name, Christmas crackers are not another Yuletide culinary delight. Rather, they are colorful paper bundles which, when pulled open, emit a loud noise. Within, contributing to the merriment of the occasion, are holiday favors and papers containing sayings or riddles.

Traditional in Britain, Christmas crackers date to the reign of Queen Victoria.

But baker/confectioner Tom Smith's creation may be, like the lighting of Christmas bonfires once common in various parts of Great Britain, a descendant of the ancient custom of setting a ritual fire—a common way of marking the rekindling of the sun, the rebirth of life in the midst of the cold, white, snowy winter season.

This celebration of life and warmth in the midst of death and coldness is itself an ancestor of the Christmas holiday, as Christ's birth, death and rebirth are symbolic of the triumph of life over death which is at the heart of Christianity.



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Your friend,  
Chris Soliz

Dear Santa,

What I won't for Christmas is a Nintendo and a Win Lose or Draw game. I won't those games cause I can play and not be bored all day.

Your friend,  
Maribel Lopez

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is a tape of Madonna (Like A Prayer). And I also want a Win Lose or draw game so I wont be bored.

Your friend,  
Diana Salamanca

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## Sub-Freezing Temperature

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snow just left a light, white 'dusting.'

National Weather Service said Wednesday would be a warmer day, then would give way to another Arctic cold front, which will slam through the area again on Thursday.

Frozen water lines, and frozen up vehicles were the main victims of the recent 10-day cold spell.

It was reported that Muleshoe Area Medical Center was bulging at the seams with patients, as many people have fallen to respiratory problems with the onslaught of the off again, on again cold and warm weather.

Many homes and businesses have felt the impact of the cold wind, and have been somewhat hard to heat during the windy days.

NWS officials say it is too soon to predict whether or not the area can expect a 'white Christmas' but that hasn't dampened the spirits of young people who were dismissed from school early on Wednesday for nearly two weeks of freedom before returning to school on Tuesday, January 2.

No major accidents have been reported in the area, although DPS Trooper Lacie Kirk investi-

gated a two vehicle, non-injury accident east of Muleshoe on Monday afternoon.

As the cold weather continues, interspersed with warm days, more people are expected to come down with respiratory ailments.

Along with the intermittent snow and briefly icy streets and highways, the Muleshoe City Police Department is urging motorists to take due precautions with driving.

They reminded that Texas law requires the use of seat belts, and they are strictly enforcing this, especially during holiday driving.

Also, when school starts again, the officers have issued warnings about obeying school bus laws. They said that recently, many people have violated the law that states, you must stop when a bus is stopped with its red lights flashing.

On these cold mornings, the youngsters duck out of vehicles, or off buses, and run, with their

### Rebates...

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transit department. The payments to MTAs reflect taxes collected in August, September and October.

Merchants collect the state and local sales tax and send it to the Comptroller's office with their tax returns. The state keeps its six percent share and returns the local sales taxes each month to local governments. Cities and counties may levy a combined tax of up to two per cent above the state's sales tax, Bullock said.

heads down to escape the cold toward the school building.

The officers remind that your safe driving practices can help keep the youngsters safe.

It's timely to give the old reminder -- "Slow Down, And Live!!"

## Lady 'Horns

### Racking Up

### More Wins

From Lazbuddie, Coach Mike Carroll reported that the Lazbuddie Longhorns, and the Lady 'Horns saw action in two games last week. He said no JV games were played.

On Tuesday night, in action against Adrian, the Lady 'Horns won, 92-48. "We were real pleased with the way they played," said the coach. "All the way through, they played a real strong game."

Mia Jennings and Stacy Hodges each had 24 points; Missy Smyer, 12; Diana Cozby, 10; Holly Morris, eight and Keri Cozby, four points.

The same night, the Longhorns fell to Adrian, 71-91.

In the game, Doug Barnes had 28 points; Kevin McGehee, 12; Monty Foster, 11 and Leland Brockman, 10 points.

Coach Carroll said the Lady 'Horns were defeated by Adrian in scrimmage before the season started.

Playing Anton on Friday night, the Lady 'Horns found themselves eight points behind in the fourth quarter, before coming back strong, and taking a 72-70 victory with less than ten seconds left in the game.

Mia Jennings had 28 points, and made 13-14 free throws; and Stacy Hodges had 25 points in the game.

Anton defeated the Longhorns, 50-73, with Matt Cozby having the high points, with 11.

On the weekend following Christmas, the Longhorns and Lady 'Horns will be playing in tournament.

#### Definition

Hicktown: A place where there's no place to go that you shouldn't.

-News, Dallas.

## Organ Donor Transplant Facility Open

"Organ donation is a local phenomenon. Local communities make it work by creating an environment for a successful program," stated Rebecca Davis, executive director of LifeGift, at a recent reception held to introduce LifeGift to the Lubbock community.

The LifeGift Organ Donation Center of West Texas is based in Lubbock, and will serve over 65 South Plains counties. LifeGift assumed the organ procurement activities of the Center for Organ Retrieval and Transplantation (CORT) on September 1, at the initiation of CORT.

"LifeGift is a needed resource in Lubbock and will help improve the quality of life for the citizens of Lubbock and of West Texas," David Seim, chair of the LifeGift Advisory Board and president of Lubbock National Bank, said. Seim introduced other advisory board members at the December 6 reception, held in the Lubbock Club.

"A good cross-section of the Lubbock community is represented in the board - medical, business and civic leaders. We are excited to get started and are happy to be working with Becky Davis and the other professionals on the LifeGift staff," Seim reported.

LifeGift coordinates all aspects of the organ procurement process, in addition to providing education for health care professionals and the public on organ donation and transportation.

"Most of our time is dedicated to education" Davis said. "Before a life saving organ transplant can occur, there must be an environment in place that encourages organ donation. The general public has to understand the need for organ/tissue donations and the medical community must be able to identify and work with donor families."

More than 12,000 people nationwide will receive a second chance for life this year due to organ/tissue transplants. Unfortunately, thousands more will die while waiting.

"The extension of LifeGift to the West Texas area represents a commitment of professionals who are dedicated to seeing that the

needs of donor families are met, and that the highest standards are followed throughout the procurement process," LifeGift Medical Director Dr. Charles Van Buren commented.

"LifeGift has seen a 47.5 percent increase in the number of organ donations from the Houston-based center," Dr. Van Buren continues. "However, each community has its own flavor, needs and concerns. The innovative education programs LifeGift has developed will be adapted for individual communities in the West Texas area."

LifeGift coordinators are based in Lubbock and Amarillo for West Texas. They are on-call around the clock to follow

through the organ procurement process. Responsibilities include consulting with the donor family, coordinating organ recovery and transplant, and locating a suitable recipient.

The LifeGift Organ Donation Center of West Texas is located at 3313 22nd Street, Lubbock, Texas 79410. Contact LifeGift at (806) 791-1900 for more information.

James Brady, former press secretary to former President Reagan:

"I have no choice but to be here today because too many members of Congress have been gutless on the issue (handgun violence.)"



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**CHRISTMAS COOKIE TRADITIONS**—The home economists at Oster recommend that busy cooks make their traditional holiday treats ahead of time and freeze them. Another time-saving tip for this busy season: For gift-giving, combine old traditions with new... make homemade treats, like gingerbread cutouts, cranberry bread and old fashioned fudge, and pair them with purchased baked goods, such as the ribbon cookies and swirl bread pictured here.

## Some Items Not Taxable, Says Bullock

As millions of Texans stretch their Christmas budgets buying gifts, decorating their homes, and otherwise preparing for the holiday, they should keep in mind that not all Christmas items and services are subject to state sales tax, State Comptroller Bob Bullock said Wednesday.

"In order to stretch their shopping dollar by not paying more in taxes than necessary, consumers should aware of what is and is not taxable," Bullock said.

Most traditional holiday decorations, including the tree, ornaments and Christmas lights, are taxable. Food staples such as fruits, vegetables, breads and meats, are not subject to sales tax, but prepared food usually is.

Liquor, beer and wine are taxable. Candy canes and party trays are taxable, but eggnog and fruitcakes are not. Frozen tamales are not taxable, but hot tamales are.

"A turkey dinner prepared at home would be tax free, but a turkey dinner at your favorite restaurant would be taxed," Bullock said.

A photograph of the children with Santa is taxable because it's tangible personal property. A gift wrapping booth at the mall would not charge sales tax, but if the store that sold the merchandise wraps the gift, tax is collected because the wrapping is a service connected with a sale. Fruit and vegetable plants are not taxed, but other plants, such as poinsettias are. "For example, you would pay tax on a rose bush, but not on an orange tree," added Bullock.

Having a home professionally

decorated for Christmas is not taxable unless the decorations, lights or other ornaments are rented from the company that puts them up.

During the Christmas season, many shoppers turn to mail order catalogs to avoid the local Yuletide shopping mall crush. Many mail order catalogs charge a "use tax" if they have any business activity in Texas.

"A use tax is charged to the consumer to insure that the out-of-state catalog store doesn't have an unfair advantage over Texas merchants," Bullock said. The tax is collected by the company and sent to the State Comptroller's office.

A company can be considered engaged in business in Texas if it has representatives here. The definition of "engaged in business" in Texas has been expanded to include many mail order companies.

"Consumers should be aware of what is and isn't taxable because sometimes business people make honest mistakes," Bullock said. Taxpayers with questions concerning sales or use taxes can get more information by telephoning 1-800-252-5555.

Unsafe holiday toys abound, Christmas shoppers are warned.

## Christmas cookie recipes for baking and giving continue a tradition which is distinctly American

Across the country, and around the world, every family that celebrates Christmas keeps its own special traditions. A tradition that seems a part of every Christmas celebration is a Christmas cookie exchange.

The baking and giving of Christmas cookies is a custom popular in many countries. In fact, the American tradition of baking cookies for friends and family (and Santa) is based on those traditions brought over by our ancestors... especially those from the Scandinavian countries and Germany. But, the addition of candies and nut breads to those holiday baking traditions is distinctly American.

It is the custom in most countries to create the prettiest cookies and treats of the year at Christmastime. Taking the time to decorate a cookie, make a special candy or create a tasty nut bread for dear friends, is a traditional way of telling them that they are treasured.

The home economists at Oster recommend that busy cooks make their specialties ahead of time and freeze them. Another time saving tip for this busy season: Combine old traditions with new... give a pretty cookie tin that contains homemade treats and purchased bakery delights. Then, even busy cooks can continue this cherished Christmas tradition.

In large mixing bowl, cream together sugar, shortening and egg at a medium speed until fluffy. Add molasses, mix until combined. Stir together flour, salt, soda and spices. Add to mixing bowl and mix at a low speed until well combined. Refrigerate 2 hours.

Roll out on floured surface to 1/4" thickness. Cut with shaped cookie cutters. Place on greased cookie sheet. Sprinkle top of cookies with sugar.

Bake in preheated 375°F oven for 10 minutes. Cool on wire rack. Decorate as desired.

Yield: 3 dozen cookies.

### CRANBERRY ORANGE NUT BREAD

2 cups all purpose flour  
1 cup sugar  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder  
1/2 teaspoon baking soda  
3/4 cup orange juice

1 tablespoon grated orange peel  
1/4 cup soft shortening  
1 egg, slightly beaten  
1 cup whole pecans or walnuts  
1 cup fresh cranberries, sliced

Preheat oven to 350°F. In large mixer bowl, combine dry ingredients. Add juice, peel, shortening and egg, mix at a low speed until well blended. Stir in nuts and cranberries.

Put into a greased 9x5x3 inch pan. Bake 55-60 minutes. Cool slightly before removing from pan.

Remove from pan and finish cooling on wire rack.

Yield: 1 loaf.

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1/2 cup vegetable shortening  
1 egg  
1 1/4 cup molasses  
4 cups whole wheat flour  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon baking soda  
1 teaspoon ground ginger  
1/2 teaspoon ground cloves  
1 teaspoon ground nutmeg  
1/4 teaspoon ground allspice  
Sugar

**Holy Night**

May faith and peace fill your hearts this holiday.

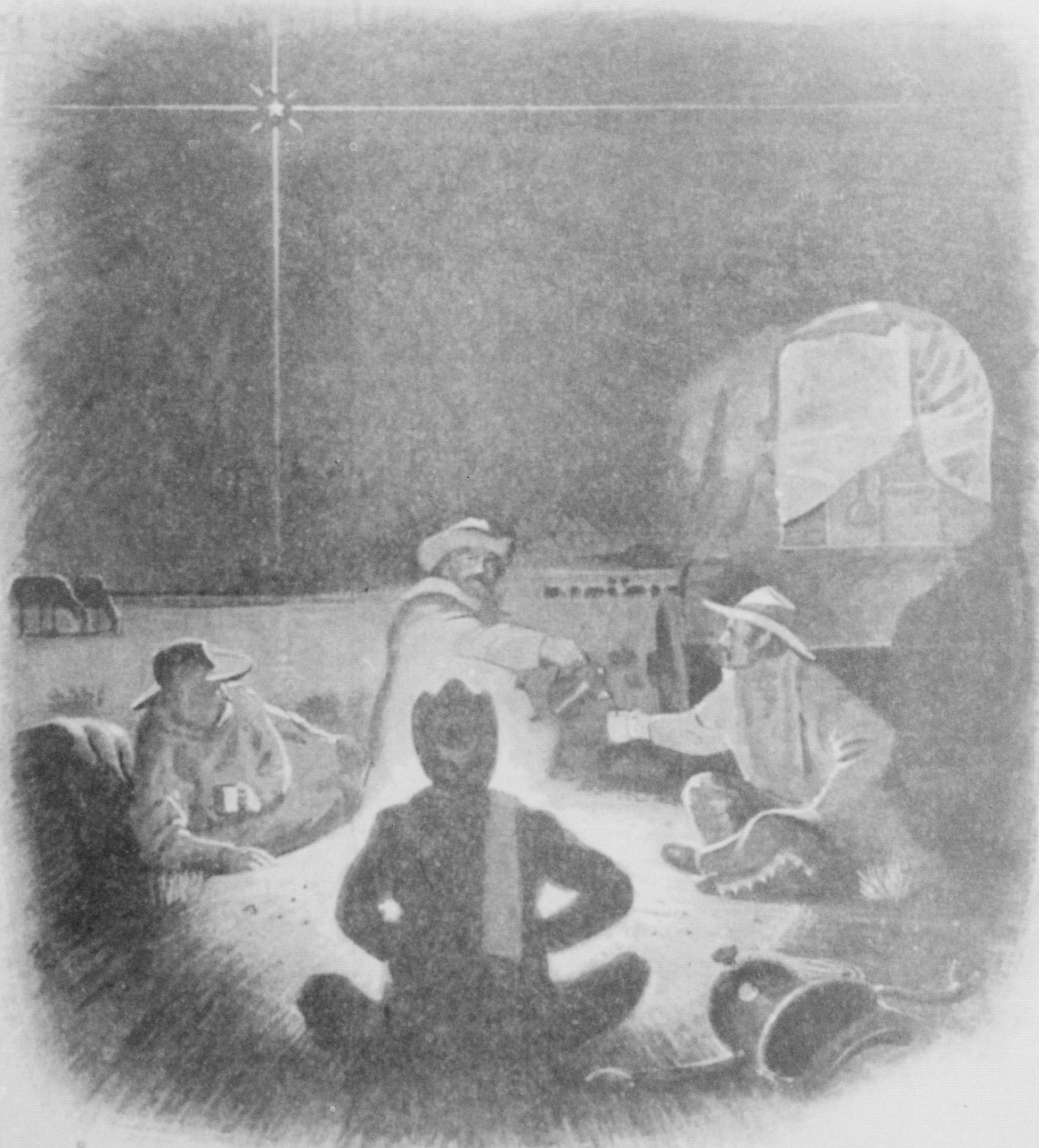
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# SEASON'S GREETINGS



May every blessing be realized and every joy be cherished. The spirit of Christmas is the spirit shared.

## Wes-Tex Feed Yards, Inc.



**Services Pending**

**For Ruth Williams  
At Funeral Home**

Funeral services for Ruth Williams, 79, were pending at press time with Ellis Funeral Home. She died at 7:05 a.m. Tuesday in Muleshoe Area Healthcare Center.

Born August 23, 1910, in Howland, TX, she had been a resident of Muleshoe since 1949, moving here from Whitharrell. She was a teacher, a member of the Muleshoe Church of Christ and the Retired Teachers Association of Muleshoe. She married Riehl Williams on June 7, 1951, in Clovis, N.M.

Survivors include her husband, Riehl; two daughters, Lorene Shaddix of Hughes Springs, TX,

**Rev Davis**

**Funeral Services**

**Held Wednesday**

Funeral services for the Rev. Gene H. Davis, 75, were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 20 in the First Assembly of God Church with the Rev. Haskel Rodgers of Lubbock, the Rev. Tom Lakey, pastor of the First Assembly of God Church in Lubbock and the Rev. Dean Reed, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. Davis died at 3:45 p.m. Monday in Okla., he was an Assembly of God minister. He had lived in Muleshoe since 1952, moving here from Erick, Okla. He was a member of the Muleshoe First Assembly of God Church. He married Ruby Lee Dale on June 14, 1931, in Erick, Okla. She died in 1984.

Survivors include a son, Paul Davis of Muleshoe; two sisters, Mamie Maifien of Borger and Lora Dale of Muleshoe; a brother, Lee Davis of Luskey, Okla.; and three grandchildren, Brandy Ladawne Davis, Jamie Nicole Davis and Jeffery Paul Davis, all of Muleshoe.

Muleshoe Area Medical Center. Born Feb. 27, 1914, in Erick,

**Mitchell Infant**

**Services Held**

**At Lazbuddie**

Graveside services for Chezey Rhiannon Mitchell, infant daughter of Robert and Shonda Smith of Dallas, were conducted at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 19 in Lazbuddie Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. The Rev. Gary Wilcox, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Lazbuddie, will officiate. Chezey died at 12:17 a.m. Saturday in Baylor Medical Center in Dallas.

She was born Oct. 14 in Dallas. Survivors other than the parents include grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell of Lazbuddie, Calvin Smith of Austin and Kathryn Smith of Austin; and two uncles, Scott Mitchell of Lubbock and Anthony Smith of Alaska.

and Doris Faye Lovelady of Daingerfield, TX; three sisters, Pauline McBride of Lubbock, Lucille Patrick of Irving, and LaDale Helms of Roston, TX; a brother, R.L. Armstrong of Lubbock; four grandchildren; and one great grandchild.

**Lowell Watson**

**Funeral Service**

**Held Wednesday**

Funeral services for Lowell W. Watson, 73, of Springlake were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 20 in the Springlake Church of Christ with R.V. Hamilton, Church of Christ minister from Buffalo Gap, TX, officiating.

Burial was in Springlake Cemetery under the direction of Parsow-Ellis Funeral Home of Earth. Watson died at 8:11 p.m. Monday in Lamb County Health Care Center in Littlefield.

Born Feb. 17, 1916, in Hubbard City, he had been a resident of Springlake 55 years moving there from Paducah.

He married Bernice Rapro on June 23, 1934, in Paducah. He was a retired farmer and had been a member of the Springlake Church of Christ since 1965.

Survivors include his wife, Bernice; two sons, Ken Watson of Springlake, and Bud Watson of Pampa; three sisters, Florene Madden and Babe McClure, both of Lubbock, and Faye Holt of Sacramento, Calif.; a brother, Earl Watson of Springlake; five grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

**George Bush, President:** "Poland needs and will have not only concerted Western action but also sustained support for its democratic transaction."

**Margaret Thatcher, British Prime Minister, on warming trend:**

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**Three Way  
Lady Eagles  
Rolling On**

From Three Way, comes a report on recent Three Way Eagle and Lady Eagle basketball action.

On Tuesday night of last week, the Eagles fell to Spade, 94-77; while the Lady Eagles won, 42-28.

**Jim Emerson  
Graveside Services  
Held Monday**

Graveside services for Jim H. Emerson, 64, of Morton were conducted at 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 18 in Morton Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Harold Abney, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Wolfarth, officiating.

Burial was under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. Emerson died at 4 p.m. Saturday in the Methodist Hospital in Levelland.

Born Jan. 14, 1925, in Chocotah, Okla., he had been a resident of Morton ten years moving there from Wilcox, Ariz. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Three Way Baptist Church. He was a member of WWI, serving in the U.S. Army. He married Laquetta Kelley on Sept. 8, 1948, in Morton.

Survivors include his wife, Laquetta; a daughter, Brenda Morton of Oracle, Ariz.; his father, B.J. Emerson of Lubbock; two sisters, Nancy Wittner of Three Way, and Wilma Nitcher of Lubbock; and one grandson, Jim Kelley Morton of Oracle, Ariz.

In the game, Efrain Guillen scored a massive 44 points; while Mario Guillen had 16.

For the Lady Eagles, Carrie Kindle was high with 22 points.

On Thursday through Saturday, the Eagles and Lady Eagles participated in the Bovina tournament.

On Thursday, the Eagles defeated Bovina, 51-48. In the game, Mario Guillen had 19 points; Efrain Guillen, 16 and Jesse Haros, 14 points.

For the girls, Carrie Kindle had 23 points and Melinda Turney, 10 points, as the Lady Eagles downed Bovina, 46-42.

Friday, the Eagles went down before Adrian, 68-78. Efrain Guillen had 24 points; Mario Guillen, 23; and Marc Tucker, 11

points.

In the finals on Friday night, the Lady Eagles defeated Farwell for the championship.

On the way to their 51-47 victory, Carrie Kindle had 29 points and Melinda Turney, 14 to lead scoring.

That victory made the Lady Eagles a 9-2 season thusfar.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a dress and a skirt. I wish my grandmother will be happy.

Love,  
Sunshine Luerras



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Dear Santa,  
I want Dress and Dazzle, a Skipper Doll, and a Bubble Baby.  
Love,  
Amanda Gandara

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a Nientendo. The Nientendo I want is a super Mario, and a pretty dress. The dess I want will be purple with a big bow at the back. I would like birth stone ring. It is green. I also would like my own T.V. it will a full color full T.V. And a 3 minute ice cream maker. Then I want a teampoling. It will be black. And a computer.  
Your friend  
Cristina Salamanca  
4th grade

Dear Santa,  
I know you are really busy at the North Pole but I have one small request (in a way.) What I would like for Christmas is a horse. Perferably a paint horse or an appalossa. I have a place to keep it and I have food for it. I have wanted a horse for a long time, but I finally have a place for it. I want a boy horse because if we had a girl and it had a baby we would have to sell it and I would not like that at all. Please try to fit a horse in your sleigh. Thank you Santa.  
Sincerely,  
Lissa Leffler,  
P.S. say hi to Rudolph for me.  
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Dear Santa,  
I wot a doll. Ann a doll.  
Eva Salamanca  
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Dear Santa,  
I want Little Miss Dress Up, a Gum Ball machine, a Bike, and a Trip to Mexico.  
Love,  
Jacque Martha

Dear Santa,  
I want 20 micro machines, a three wheeler, a Coke machine and a football. My sister wants Little Miss Make-up and a Barbie.  
Love,  
Greg Quick

Dear Santa,  
I want a blue bike, a Nintendo, a play dough machine, and a fourwheeler.  
Love,  
Victor Pina

Dear Santa,  
I want five new bikes for my family, a B.B. gun, power-glove, and a computer with games.  
Love,  
Raymond Soliz

Dear Santa,  
I want only a dog that is real.  
Love,  
Gerardo Perez

Dear Santa,  
I want a ghost buster guy for my cousin Matthew and a three wheeler for my friend Jonathan and a new goldfish for my sister. I want whatever.  
Love,  
Joshua Robinson

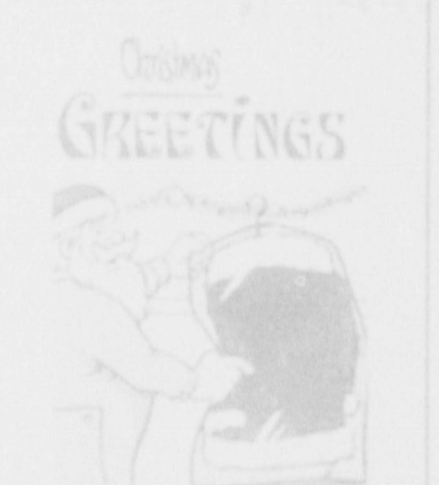
Dear Santa,  
I want Nintendo games and a big enough motorcycle, a four wheeler, and a power glove.  
Love,  
Jonathan Kindle

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a jam box, nintendo, camera, computer, water bed, L.A. Gear shoes, type writer, real gold earrings, real gold rings, real diamonds, real gold, perfume, 3 minute ice cream maker, film for camera and claydow.  
Your friend,  
Marie Mendoza  
4th grade

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a nintendo and the games I want are: contra, Double dragon, pro am, simons quest, and some British night shees.  
Martin

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a stereo, and a tape of the new cides on the block. A B.B. gun that shouts darts, pellets and B.B. musclemen and a red codak camera one more thing a monopoly game.  
Your friend  
Jonathan Bennett  
Gd. 4

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a Nintendo. The color of a Nintendo is gray. It has a gum, and a control box. The games I want for my Nintendo are Mike Tyson punchout, Contra, and double dragon. This is all I want for Christmas.



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Your friend  
Juan Guifron

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a black and red big Ninetendo and a brown and black football, a black little B B gun, a white and black horse and this is all I want for Christmas.  
Aaron Armendriz

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a forty niners football helmet clock, a hundred dollar bill, a remote controll red and blue airplane, a sniker bar, Mike Tysons Punch-out, Simons Quest, Super Mario Bros. II, a stuffed eagle football player, Pro. Am, a casio keyboard, a BMX bike. This is what I want for Christmas.  
Your friend,  
Kyle Walker  
4th grade

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a small red and black remote control car. I would also like an apple computer with wheel of fortune. This is what I want for Christmas.  
Your friend  
Sammy Soliz

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is some musical instruments such as drums, bells, triangle, tamborine, guitars, and a keyboard. I like the keyboad more because it has different sounds on it. It has black on the front and back. The

other ones like drums are white and blue. The bells are silver and they make lots of noise. Thats all I want for Christmas for now.

Your friend,  
Amanda Rodriguez  
4th Grade

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is some L.A. shoes size 6 1/2 red and black. I also want a elictrical gutare red and black. I also want a nintende game called Mike Tyson punch. it is a game played in a nintendo game. This is all I want for Christmas.  
Your friend  
Gustavo Gutierrez

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a five speed bike and a Nintendo. A five speed bike is a black bike with five gears. A Nintendo is gray and square. And you hook it up to the T.V. How you play it you will push A to make the man jump and you will push B for the bullets. This is what I want for Christmas.  
Your friend,  
David Graves

Dear Santa,  
I would like a watch with a diamond shaped Texas in the middle, a real make-up kit, a radio, a nintendo, little blond dress-up doll and Little miss dress-up doll, a set of markers, water colors, a big, brown jewrey box, a real pretty sweater with lime green and vilot red on it, Webster's Dictionary, a big black

magnet, a sweat shirt with puff paint on it with zebras and polar bears on it, a big red gum machine, some pink and silver sparkled L.A. Gear shoes, That's what I want for Christmas.

Yours truly  
Kristina Bray  
4th Grade

Dear Santa,  
I want black go car. I would like a brown bee bee gun and a

white nenetendo. I also would like a black renot control car. That is all I want for Cirstmas.

Your friend  
Randall Rodriguez

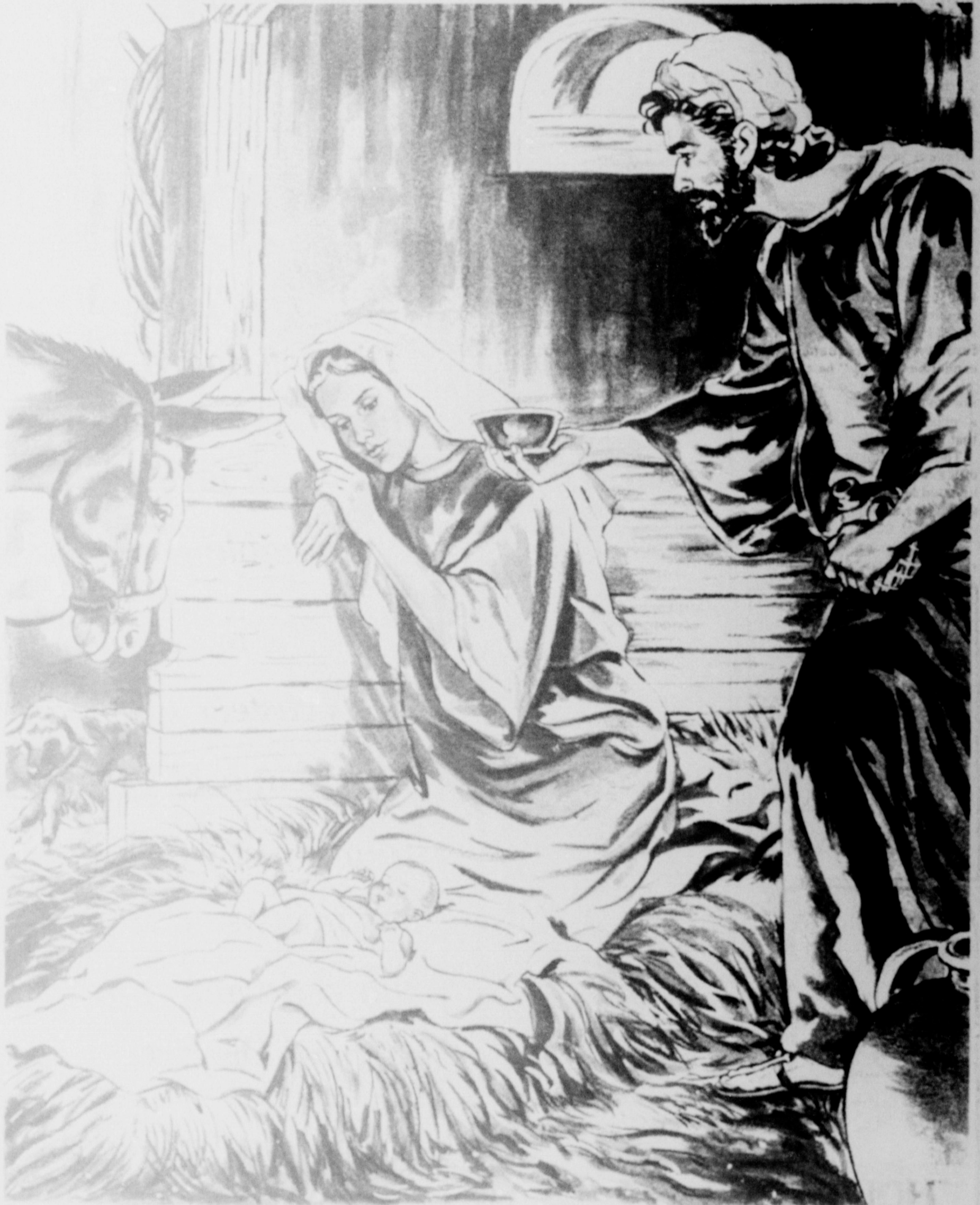
Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is the nintindo power pad. I would also like some nintindo games. I also want a Fiaro so I can go to the mall.

You Friend,  
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## Cotton Outlook Will Be Discussed At Meet

National Cotton Council Board Chairman William B. Dunavant, Jr., will present the U. S. and World Cotton Outlook at the 1990 Beltwide Cotton Production Conference, January 10-11 in Las Vegas.

Dunavant, board chairman and chief executive officer for Dunavant Enterprises, Memphis, will be followed by Dr. Harry B.

### Holiday Death

### Toll May Reach 75 This Year

Estimates from the Department of Public Safety indicate that 75 persons may perish on Texas roadways during the upcoming Christmas and New Year's holiday periods.

"We expect there could be 40 traffic fatalities reported during the Yuletide watch and 35 more in the New Year's period," said DPS Director Joe Milner. "Nothing would make us happier than to find out these numbers are much too high. We'll have additional troopers on duty during these hours to help hold down the potentially deadly violations of the traffic laws."

Each counting period is 78 hours in length. The Christmas watch starts at 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22 and ends at midnight Monday (Christmas Day). The New Year's program begins at 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29 and concludes at midnight on New Year's Day.

The final number of traffic deaths resulting during the 1988 Christmas period was 42, with another 38 reported over the New Year's hours.

Colonel Milner said the many excellent programs to decrease the DWI problem in Texas have made a difference. But he emphasized the fact that drinking and driving remains at the top of the list in factors causing fatal accidents.

"It is still the number one killer on our roads, in many cases combined with exceeding the speed limit. And it strikes with a ferocity and frequency that cannot be ignored," he stressed. "It's one thing to make a promise not to drive after consuming alcohol, but another to hold to that promise."

The DPS Public Information office will be furnishing three updated fatality reports each day during the counting periods.

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Collins, Delta and Pine Land Company's vice president and research director, who will address biotechnology and cotton improvement in the 1990's. Doug Camp, director of EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs, will discuss the role of cotton and other user groups in pesticide regulations. The Administration's view on food safety and updates on the 1990 farm bill also will be featured in first day reports.

William Lovelady, Tornillo, TX cotton producer, will chair the conference, which is part of the annual Beltwide Cotton Conferences, Jan. 10-14 at the Riviera Hotel. The conferences include a New Developments From Industry session, a special session on cotton physiology, an Emerging Computer Technology Show and Tell and regular meetings of the 11 cotton technical conferences.

C. L. "Bill" Scott, a Casa Grande, AZ cotton producer, will moderate a panel on the production conference's second day that will look at the dilemma of what to do with pesticide containers. Ciba Geigy's Charles Rock will report on bulk storage. Robert McCarty of the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce will discuss the Mississippi Recycling Project and EPA's Robert Denny will cover the federal approach to pesticide container management.

A session on the team approach to managing for quality will feature reports on factors influencing fiber quality by William Meredith, a USDA Agricultural Research Service geneticist, Stoneville, MS, and the interaction of variety, harvesting and ginning in producing a good bale of cotton by Stanley Anthony of USDA's Cotton Ginning Laboratory, Stoneville.

Don Bell, a Wolfforth, TX producer and chairman of the Barky Cotton Research Task Force will discuss ways to deal with that quality concern while Frank Carter, Cotton Incorporated's agricultural research di-

rector, will address causes of sticky cotton and techniques for managing it. Steve Verett, a Ralls, TX producer and member of USDA's Cotton Marketing Advisory Committee, will provide an update on changes taking place in cotton grading and Texas Tech University economist Dr. Don Ethridge will discuss the development of a price reporting system for HVI grading.

Roger Huber, assistant director, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Arizona Cooperative Extension Service, will preside over that Thursday morning session and K. B. Smith, executive vice president, Western Cotton Growers Association and California Cotton Ginners Association, will preside that afternoon. That session will include reports on planting seed quality, seedling diseases, seed bed conditions, replant decisions and managing early season weed and insects.

In addition, a session on management and new develop-

ments in cotton production practices will include "Managing New Varieties" by Dr. Johnie N. Jenkins, a USDA Agricultural Research Service geneticist, Starkville, MS, as well as reports on fertilizer placement, potassium requirements for yield and fiber quality and water management for upland and Pima cottons. Kater Hake, manager of

the Council's Cotton Physiology Education Program, Memphis, will cover the proper use of plant growth regulators and harvest-aid chemicals.

For more information and registration materials on the 1990 Beltwide Cotton Conferences, contact the Council's Technical Services Department, P.O. Box 12285, Memphis, TN 38128 (901) 274-9030.

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	Pool Cash	Sale	Sale	Month
	Advance	Flat	Basis	
Feed Corn.....	4.36.....	4.36.....	0.05.....	March
White Cobb Yellow.....	4.10.....	5.00.....	0.40.....	March
Red Cobb Yellow.....	4.00.....	4.49.....	0.12.....	March
White Food Corn.....	5.00.....	6.00.....	0.96.....	March
Milo.....	3.70.....	3.70.....	-0.32.....	March
Soybeans.....	No Pool.....	5.28.....	-0.50.....	Jan.
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# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO TAX PERSONAL PROPERTY

*The Three Way Independent School District Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on a proposal to tax the following personal property:*

*Tangible personal property.*

*To tax the above property, the Board of Trustees of Three Way ISD must approve the proposal by ordinary resolution or order and must find that the taxation of property as proposed will be in the public interest of all residents of the Three Way Independent School District.*

*The public hearing will be held on December 21, 1989 at 10:00 a.m. in the Homemaking Room of Three Way ISD.*

*All interested persons may speak at the meeting and present evidence for or against this proposal.*



Best wishes to friends old and new for the best Christmas ever. Thanks.

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## Grain Sorghum Grant Will Expand Exports

During a November meeting, held in San Antonio, TX, the Texas Grain Sorghum Producers Board awarded a grant, in the amount of \$250,000, to the Texas A&M University System for the Texas A&M University Department of Entomology and Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at Lubbock. The grant, to be distributed in \$50,000 increments over a five year period, will fund ongoing research to develop resistance to insect pests and to better understand what types of resistance currently exist and how they can be better utilized.

The research proposal submitted by Dr. George Teetes, TAMU Professor of Entomology, and Dr. Gary Peterson, Associate Professor of Plant Breeding at the TAMU Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Lubbock, defined plant resistance to insects as "the search, identification, development and utilization of plant cultivars that, as a result of their genetics, are inherently less infested or damaged than commonly grown susceptible cultivars."

During the meeting, Peterson informed TGSPB directors that estimates indicate the past research in the area of greenbug resistance saves Texas farmers approximately \$2.5 million each year in insecticide costs (this does not include ecological or environmental value). He added that the proposed research would result in a savings of thousands of additional dollars annually.

The proposal highlighted four forces that require an enlightened approach to dealing with grain sorghum insect pests. They include the high cost of production; the high cost to register or re-register insecticides for use on sorghum; environmental disruptions due to reliance on chemical pesticides; and the public mandate for safe food, clean water and wildlife conservation.

In order to deal with these issues, the overall research objective is "to conduct the research necessary to increase the availability and use of insect resistant sorghums to lower production costs and ecological/environmental dangers." The proposal also stated, "It is a goal of this research to provide the building blocks on which a management strategy is implemented that is biologically/ecologically based and not insecticide based."

The project will utilize TAMU laboratory, greenhouse and field research facilities in College Station, Lubbock and Corpus Christi. According to Teetes and Peterson, the research will require a team effort and will demand a collaboration of expertise from several disciplines. These areas would include biotechnology, insect genetics, biochemistry, ecology, plant genetics and physiology.

To emphasize the point, the research proposal suggested that, "The use of insect resistant

cultivars is a vital and viable component of a biologically/ecologically based integrated insect pest management strategy, and a key element in sustainable and sound resource management," and that additional project funding provided by TGSPB would "enable a much more concerted effort toward resolving the insect pest problems of grain sorghum in Texas."

TGSPB directors also heard reports from Dr. Bruce Maunder, of DeKalb, who spoke on past developments in greenbug resistance and the need to offer better resources of plant resistance and education for producers on how to handle midge. Dr. Richard Frederiksen, TAMU Professor of Plant Pathology, stated the basic need to understand sorghum genetics, and to underscore this point he introduced Dr. Clint Magill, TAMU Associate Professor of Fungal Genetics. Magill reported the need to develop a chromosome map for grain sorghum, in order to facilitate timely and less expensive grain sorghum research.

Other board business dealt with a \$2,000 grant to the Sorghum Improvement Conference of North America (SICNA) to publish a newsletter in 1990. The board also made a grant in the amount of \$2,000 to the J. Roy Quinby Endowed Graduate Fellowship at TAMU. Quinby's work in sorghum research has served as a positive influence on agricultural development in and throughout the world.

The next TGSPB meeting is scheduled for January 9-11, in Corpus Christi.

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# Notice Of Public Hearing To Tax Personal Property

*The Muleshoe Area Hospital District Governing Board will hold a public hearing on a proposal to tax the non-business personal property & Motor Vehicles.*

*To tax the above property, the Muleshoe Area Hospital District Governing Board must approve the proposal by ordinary resolution or order and must find that the taxation of property as proposed will be in the public interest of all residents of Muleshoe Area Hospital District...*

*The public hearing will be held on December 27, 1989, at 7:00 p.m. at the Yellow Dining Room of the Muleshoe Area Medical Center.*

*All interested persons may speak at the meeting and present evidence for or against this proposal.*

**A Merry and Bright Christmas to All!**  
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