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PRICE TEN CENTS



SANTA CLAUS AND HIS REINDEER run across the lawn of the Jess Parker home. The lighted candle is placed by the step so that Santa will be sure and find his way into the home on

Christmas eve night, when he visits in Olton and leaves all the toys and candy to good little boys and girls.

Perfect Attendance Pins Presented To Local Lions

Perfect attendance pins were awarded at the Lions Club annual Christmas dinner held Monday, Dec. 11, at 7:30 p. m. in the school cafeteria.

Louis Hair presented the pins to Charles Polk for perfect attendance for five years; Basil Sherman, eight years; Percy Parsons, nine years; Ralph Glover, ten years; and Don Spain, 13 years.

The Old Monarch Awards for outstanding accomplishment in the club went to George Redinger and C. J. Givens, who

were given certificates and lapel pins.

Approximately 84 persons, including Lions Club members, their wives, and guests were present. Special guests were Jane Ann Duncan, club sweetheart; her escort, Phil Cox; Hugo Hondequin of Belgium, AFS student; his American par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Thompson; and Mr. and Mrs. Owen Jones.

Musical entertainment was provided by a girls' vocal trio made up of Janie Jones, Jackie Harrod and Cheri Dorris, directed by Mrs. Bob Allford. Christmas gift exchange was a highlight of the evening.

During November

Four Accidents Reported In Rural Lamb County

Texas Highway Patrol investigated four accidents on rural highways in Lamb County during the month of November, according to Sergeant Thurman Keffer, Highway Patrol Supervisor of this area.

These crashes resulted in two persons injured and an estimated property damage of \$3,405.00.

The rural accident summary for this county during the first eleven months of 1967 shows a total of 86 accidents resulting in 15 persons killed, 33 persons injured, and an estimated property damage of \$89,265.00.

What does the traffic picture look like for this Christmas--New Year holiday season? Past records have proven December to be the most deadly month of the year, December, 1966 recorded 351 traffic fatalities.

The Sergeant stated, "It is estimated that 100 persons will be killed in traffic accidents during the Christmas and New Year holidays." The Sergeant also added, "If we are going to be satisfied for a repeat performance of past records set during the month of December, then this holiday season is going to be a very sad one for many people."

Fire Dept. To Meet At New Time

Meeting night for the Volunteer Fire Department has been changed to Monday nights at 7:30 p. m. until April 1, 1968.

The first meeting of the new year will be Jan. 8. Firemen will meet at 7 p. m. and then join other fire departments of the county for a civil defense meeting at Springlake.

The Olton Fire Department has been appointed to sponsor the local campaign for muscular dystrophy. The campaign will be held in February.



OLE SAINT NICK MAKES HIS ROUNDS in Olton with a load of youngsters who braved to cold weather, snowy roads and just general miserable weather to come out and ride with the jolly old gentleman and tell him what they wanted for Christmas.

WEATHER

DATE	HIGH	LOW	PREC.
DEC. 14	30	20	--
DEC. 15	23	18	.32
DEC. 16	24	18	.07
DEC. 17	35	23	.04
DEC. 18	45	25	T
DEC. 19	47	25	--
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Bob Price To Visit Here Friday

Congressman Bob Price will be in Olton Friday, Dec. 22, for a public meeting at the American Legion Hall beginning at 1:30 p. m., according to Robert Meinecke, Republican County chairman.

Rep. Price will also appear at the Earth Community Building at 3 p. m. Friday. He will be conducting similar report-to-the-people meetings in Kress and Tulia earlier in the day.

Now that Congress has adjourned, Congressman Price is in the district in an effort to report to the people on the action taken during this session of Congress, said Meinecke. In announcing his visit, Price said, "It is difficult for me to get the feeling of the people here, while I am in Washington, and I have found these meetings very helpful and hope that the people in Olton will take a few minutes in order that I can have a better idea of what the people in this area are thinking."

Enterprise Office To Be Closed

The Olton Enterprise and Enterprise Studio will close Friday, Dec. 22 at noon for the Christmas holidays.

Both businesses will open for business at 8 a. m. Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1968.

How Is It Done?

Financing New Industry

(EDITOR'S NOTE:

This is the third in a series of five articles concerning industrial development written by James Kelly, assistant executive director of the Texas Industrial Commission.)

The final criteria for industry when seeking a new location is profitability. A very major factor in any industry's evaluation of the profitability of a potential operation in your town is how the site or building (or both) in which they are interested can be financed. About eighty per cent of all industries locating in Texas do not own their facilities. Most of them hold some combination of leases on the land and buildings. The terms of the lease are of utmost importance - what the amount of rent is, what immediate and future improvements will be made by the owners, what the options to renew the lease are, and perhaps what about the option to buy the building at a later date.

There are a lot of conditions to take into consideration. And you can count on it that the new industry for which your community has waited so long will be in a terrible hurry to get things finalized. If a town down the highway offers approximately the same advantages that you do, can also offer a financing plan that provides for occupancy 60 days earlier than yours, and a lower rental price . . . well, chances are that you can kiss that industrial prospect goodbye.

That is why it is vital for an Industrial Development Committee courting an industry to be able to offer that industry a "package deal" regarding the land, the building, any necessary improvements, and all other aspects of financing. Ideally this package deal should be ready and waiting, so that it can be applied to any of your candidate industries with only minor revisions.

When an industry says "we like your town, and we find the Smith Street building suitable; what kind of financing can you offer", your Industrial

Development Committee should answer without hesitation - "Gentlemen, here's our package".

How do you get in this favorable, strong prepared position?

The first thing is to know and be familiar with the workings of all the basic sources of industrial development financing, such as Investor Builders, Commercial Banks, Savings and Loan Associations, Mortgage Companies, Insurance Companies, Investment Bankers, and Small Business Administration.

There are others, but these are the most important. Also the I. D. Committee must find out and constantly keep abreast of the current rates for money from these various institutions.

In Texas, especially in the larger communities, the most common source of land and buildings for industrial development has been investor builders. These individuals are often willing to buy the land, build the building and extend the necessary utilities; then own the building and lease it to the locating industry under a package deal arrangement.

In other communities, an industrial foundation is set up to do much the same things as the individual investor builder. Such a foundation acts as an industrial development "bank" for the community. It is an organization of private citizens, operating with privately subscribed funds, set up for the purpose of improving the community's economy through offering material assistance to existing or prospective industrial firms. The industrial foundation can be a profit-making organization, but most in Texas are non-profit corporations whose ownership is widely based among the community's citizens. There are presently some 225 of these foundations in Texas.

The Industrial Development Foundation, once it is established, has funds and sources of credit, can function in the same way as the investor builder - finding the best financing, building the building through a

Livestock Show Officials Named

Plans for the upcoming Lamb County Junior Livestock Show were discussed when the show board met Wednesday night, Dec. 13, at the county courthouse in Littlefield.

The show will be held Jan. 12 and 13 at the county show barns in Littlefield for all FFA and 4-H members.

Don Carter of Amherst was elected president of the board; Fred Long of Olton, vice president; Jerry Ray of Sudan, secretary-treasurer.

Show superintendents were named as follows: swine superintendent, Don Carr of Littlefield, assistants, Dexter Baker of Sudan, Luther Hill of Littlefield, George Tooley of Amherst, Delmer Givens of Olton, J. W. Dear of Springlake.

Sheep superintendent, John Bridges of Springlake, assistants, Dale Hanna of Sudan, Archie May of Olton, S. A. Farmer of Sudan, Jerry Ray of Sudan and Johnny Hodges of Olton.

Steer superintendent, Douglas Walden of Springlake, assistants, James Cook of Littlefield, Fred Long of Olton, T. B. Wheeler of Olton, Don Carter of Amherst and Gene Templeton of Earth.

Board members voted to let beef heifers show and be awarded ribbons only as this would be a trial case to see how many heifers would be entered. The

heifer classes will be set up after entries are received.

It is also decided that there would be a separate class for Dorset lambs. In past years, these lambs have had to show with the Hampshires. This year there will be a grand and reserve champion lamb selected as well as the champion of each breed.

January 10 was set up as a

workday to clean up the show barn. Those who would like to help are asked to be there that morning.

"Board members and other officials think this will be one of the best county shows ever," said Sam Kuykendall, assistant agent of Lamb County. "There should be a lot of livestock to see and many nice trophies and ribbons given."

Olton Cagers Score High In Idalou Tournament

Coach Sandra Meadows Olton Fillies won consolation at the Idalou High School Tournament Thursday through Saturday, Dec. 14-16, and Lynn McGill made the all-tournament team.

Lynn was high scorer with 35 points during the first game, played with Roosevelt girls, Thursday. Roosevelt beat the Olton varsity girls 50-47.

In Friday's game with New Deal, the Fillies overpowered their opponents 43-25. Again, Lynn McGill was high point girl with 17.

Olton beat Tahoka 52-47 in Saturday's game at the tournament. Lynn McGill was high point-player with 34 points. The Fillies' standing is now 10 wins and 5 losses for the season.

The Freshmen girls defeated Farwell 39-23 at Farwell Monday night, Dec. 18. Connie Hall was high with 25 points. The freshmen have won 4 games and lost 2 this season.

Olton Mustangs, coached by Chuck Saul, placed second in the Idalou Tournament, with Charles A. McClain making the All-Tournament team.

In their first game, the Mustangs galloped by Tahoka 67-46. With 20 points, Pat Bodkin was high point man, while Charles A. McClain rated second top with 14. Bodkin also rebounded with 10 points and Lannie McClain with 9.

Winners again, in their second game of the tournament, Olton scored 54 and Lubbock Christian, 42. Charles A. McClain was top scorer with 16 points, Lannie McClain next with 12, and Joe Schultz, 11. Main rebounders were Kenneth Johnson tossing 13 points and Charles A. McClain, 8.

The last game, hard-fought with three exciting overtimes, ended with Christ the King players barely tipping by the Mustangs, 38 to 37.

Kenneth Johnson scored 16 points for the Olton boys, and Pat Bodkin, 10, Kenneth Johnson had 13 rebounds and Pat Bodkin, 12.

Highway Project Is Authorized

The Texas Highway Commission today approved a two-year \$362 million Consolidated Highway Program for Texas. Oscar L. Crain, District Engineer, of Lubbock, has announced.

Crain stated that of this amount \$15,494,000.00 was approved for construction and \$1,125,000.00 for purchase of right-of-way in District Five.

Work authorized for Lamb County is a part of the 1,667.6 miles of roads authorized for the State.

The project in Lamb County concerns the improvement of U. S. Highway 70 from .5 miles west of Olton east to the east county line. Length of the strip is 1.5 miles and work to be done includes reconstruction, grading and surfacing. Estimated cost of the program will be \$161,000.

Rhea E. Bradley is supervising resident engineer for the Lamb County roadwork.

Also in Lamb County, one mile of US Highway 84 at Farm-to-Market Road 54 west of Littlefield will be improved at a cost of \$700,000.



CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS were put up in the building next to Zakk's Dept. Store, where the Olton Garden Club hold rummage sales during the fall, to add beauty to Olton during the festive season.

Bookmobile Slates Visit

The High Plains Bookmobile will be in our area Friday and Saturday.

Scheduled Friday is a stop in Hart Camp from 1:45 to 2:30 p. m. Fieldton will be the next stop with the library there from 2:45 until 3:30. The bookmobile will be in Olton Saturday morning, 9:15 until 11:45.

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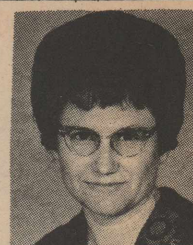
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COW POKES

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Sue's Views

Santa Claus And How!



BY SUE CANNON



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"Santa, all I can say is that it's a pity that one of yore reindeer had to go lame in Hoss Trader Wilbur's territory!"

Dear Editor

Letters From Home

EDITOR'S NOTE: Mr. and Mrs. Paul McFadden received a letter from Mike Riley and wanted to share it with our readers.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. McFadden,
Very seldom do I receive mail from any of my friends. It is very wonderful to know that there are still people left in the world who will take just a few minutes out of their schedules to write a friend far from home. With this thought in mind, I say "Thank You" so much for thinking of me during this holiday season. You'll never know what it means for a GI to receive letters or cards not only during this particular time, but also each week of the year!

Thank you also for the little pamphlet. I do truly believe in prayer and in Jesus Christ. I go to the Church of Christ, that has just been recently established approximately 10 miles from my base. This fact increases my faith and morale daily, so I have a fairly good attitude towards England and the English people.
Speaking of coming home; I should be back around July or the first of August 1969, I'm trying to save some money to go back to college in September of 1969.

4 years is definitely long enough to stay in the service!
May God bless you both and may you have the happiest and most enriching Christmas ever.

Sincerely,
Michael Riley

P. S. Tell everyone at Olton-Merry Christmas, Happy New Year for me!
Once again, your card is appreciated!

Happy Holidays

"Hello"
Well sure can't let the holidays, go by, without hoping you and yours the best, and a very Prosperous 1968 in everything.

I enjoy the Enterprise, more all the time, but one thing I don't like, and that's when Sue's Views, also, "Everything But The Kitchen Sink" is left out. Just doesn't seem right, when - those two items are not in the paper, see.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL.

A very pleased Subscriber,
Emily Campbell.

Christmas-Deadliest Holiday

Christmas, with the deepest spiritual significance, is the deadliest holiday of all, according to Major Luther C. Moore, commanding the Northwest Region of the Texas Department of Public Safety. "Ironically, Christmas achieves this terrible distinction precisely because we want it to be such a wonderful occasion," Major Moore says.

"It is a sentimental holiday. People will drive long distances for the traditional family reunion, undaunted by bad weather and road conditions. More travel--especially winter travel at high speeds--means more accidents," the Major adds.

"It would be interesting to discover, in this era of jets

and computers, what the word holiday means to most people. What is the first thing that flashes to mind when the word is mentioned? Time off from work? -- A trip? -- An excuse to celebrate? -- Or a tragic accident toll?" Major Moore asks.

"Unfortunately, truthful answers probably would place all of those higher on the list than the true meaning of the holiday. And it's especially unfortunate that holidays must have an association with high accident tolls," the Major says.

"The joyous spirit of Christmas is too often sought in the liquid form. This deadly combination of the throttle and bottle many times turns rejoicing into deepest sorrow. Last year in Texas 38 per cent of all rural fatal accidents involved a drinking driver," warns the Major.

The four most frequent violations in all rural fatal accidents are: (1) Speed too fast for conditions, (2) Driving while drinking, (3) Wrong side of road, and (4) Did not have right-of-way.

"We feel it is important to point out these facts as the Christmas holidays approach, in the hope that our fellow citizens will heed them as warning against doing the things that have caused fatal accidents all over the state," Major Moore said.

OKLAHOMA VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Mull and Mrs. Bonnie Brown are leaving Friday for Oklahoma City where they will spend Christmas with Mrs. Mull's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Patterson, who are Mrs. Brown's daughter and son-in-law.

TUESDAY GUESTS

Mrs. Burley Favor, Marla and Mendy and Kim Rose, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garland Rose called Tuesday in the Tom Stansell home. Earlier in the afternoon Mrs. Melvin Berry and Rhetta visited Mr. and Mrs. Stansell.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Adams, Bill and Winona had Christmas dinner last weekend with Mrs. Adams parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rex, V. Jenkins of Sunnyside who are going to spend the holidays visiting relatives in Mississippi.

ARMY BUDDY VISITS

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Coffey and children of Los Angeles, Calif. visited with Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Miller enroute to Oklahoma for the Christmas holidays. Coffey was an army buddy of Sonny's whom he had not seen since 1945 in France.

Merry Christmas

We join Santa's Yuletide song, wishing you a Happy Holiday season and expressing sincere thanks for your patronage.

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS

We hope Santa brightens your day as you've brightened our year. Thanks.

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Mrs. Snider Hosts W.S.C.S.

The Women's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist Church met Wednesday, Dec. 13, in the home of Mrs. J. L. Snider.

Mrs. Bill Collins was program leader. Each one present was asked to bring a poem, story, Christmas song or something pertaining to Christmas to share with the group.

An offering was taken for Conference Daughters, young women serving three years as missionaries.

Mrs. R. H. Campbell gave the benediction.

Attending were Mmes. Mar-

tel LeVeque, L. R. Bryant, Glenn Leggett, Percy Parsons, Garland DePrang, Earl Spruiell, Bob Coen, Aubrey Smyth, H. G. Walker, Campbell, Collins and the hostess, J. L. Snider.

VISIT PARENTS
Rev. and Mrs. Gerald Davis Jerrolyn and Sharon went to Houston to visit Rev. Davis' mother, Mrs. H. L. Davis and on to Tyler to the home of Mrs. Davis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Stewart.

ARRIVE HERE
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Scribner arrived Tuesday night, Dec. 19 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Scribner from Lake City, Colo.



Merry Christmas

In the snowy hush of a winter landscape, a church steeple seeks the sky . . . and we see the quiet contentment of Christmas, spreading its joys everywhere. That your joys be many, is our holiday wish for our valued friends and customers.



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MISS VICKI NEINAST

Miss Vicki Joyce Neinast To Be December Bride

Mr. and Mrs. William Neinast announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Vicki Joyce, to Mikel Jay Jarrett, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jarrett.

The couple will be wed December 29, at 7:30 p. m. in the First Methodist Church.

Miss Beth Stansell To Wed Wilbur Dwight Joiner Jr.

Miss Beth Stansell will wed Wilbur Dwight Joiner Jr. in a double ring ceremony Saturday afternoon, Dec. 23, at 2 o'clock in the First Presbyterian Church in Dimmitt.

The Rev. Mitchell Kennedy, pastor, will officiate.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stansell.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Dwight Joiner Sr., of Pilot Point are parents of the bridegroom.

A graduate of Olton High School and West Texas State University, the bride is employed as an elementary teacher in the Dimmitt Public School System.

Joiner, is a graduate of Pilot Point High School and North Texas State University. He is also teaching in Dimmitt.

Mrs. Foster Presents Program

Local Chapter # 847 of The Order of The Eastern Star met Thursday evening, Dec. 14, with Mrs. Lorene Stewart, worthy Matron and Bert Stewart, Worthy Patron, presiding.

After the regular session the members had a Christmas party with traditional exchange of gifts. The dining area of the hall was decorated by The Nativity Scene and a Christmas tree.

Mrs. Ira Foster told the story of the birth of Jesus. The group sang a Christmas Carol.

Three boxes of food and one box of toys were filled for local needy families. Fifteen members were present.

Golden Agers Entertained

Mrs. Joe Chester and Mrs. Tom Smith were hostesses to the Golden Agers Christmas party Thursday afternoon at the American Legion building.

The group was led in singing "We Wish You a Merry Christmas" by Rev. R. H. Campbell. Mrs. Smith accompanied the group at the piano. Mrs. Chester read poems given her by the Golden Agers.

Happy Birthday was sung to Mmes. Floyd Coleman, Minnie Sherman, Anna Martens and Bessie Cowart.

Gifts were exchanged by members, Mrs. Chester and Mrs. Smith, regular sponsors of the group, were given gifts by the members.

Cookies, spiced tea and coffee were served to Rev. and Mrs. R. H. Campbell and granddaughter, JoTisa and Mmes. Cloe Galloway, Daisy Thomas, Anna Martens, T. D. Lewis, Bessie Cowart, Minnie Sherman, Z. D. Miller, L. O. Langley, F. M. Holland, Eula Wilks, Bessie Jones, Nellie Turner, and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Coleman, C. T. Mason, Mrs. Chester and Mrs. Smith.

Bykota Club Holds Meeting

The Bykota Study Club met Tuesday, Dec. 12, in the home of Mrs. Bobby Copeland.

Mrs. Gene Reynolds presented a devotion based on the Christmas story found in the scriptures.

Members brought items to be placed in baskets to be given to the needy and gifts to be sent to the state hospital at Wichita Falls.

Refreshments were chips, nuts, cookies, and hot punch.

Members attending were Mmes. Jim Brown, Joe Hall, Bob Harber, Basil Johns, Max Malone, J. P. Nafzger, Don Nafzger, Fred Pendergrass, Billy Smith, Landon Smith, Earl Spruiell, Jack Hysinger, Reynolds and Copeland.

Next meeting will be Jan. 9, 1968 with Mrs. Bob Harber as hostess.

New Century Study Club Holds Party

New Century Study Club met Monday evening, Dec. 18, for their annual Christmas party with their husbands as guests. The meeting was in the Women's Clubhouse.

Refreshments were cookies, cake, chips and dips, assorted candies, coffee and punch. Bridge, Skip-bo and dominoes were enjoyed by the group.

Those attending were Mmes. and Msrs. Melvin Hines, A. J. Spain, J. L. Snider, Wilton Bodkin, Elmer McGill, Gilbert Robertson, Grady Sharp, Don Spain, Jesse Parker, Ray Schultz, Archie Sorley, Ed Thompson, Elmer Moore, Dwayne Wilks, Louis Hair, Bill Kelley, M. C. Church, Fred Thompson, O. H. Jones, Red Simmons and Mrs. Bob Burgess.

Lawson's Host Christmas Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Lawson hosted a traditional Christmas dinner in their home Monday evening, Dec. 18.

Gifts were exchanged from a lighted silver revolving tree. Yuletide decorations were throughout the house.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Alva Kersh, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Stiles and Rita, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gabehart, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Welch and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gabehart and Dale. Each family took two covered dishes.

The group played Wahoo.



It's always been our pleasure to serve you, thanks to your loyalty and good will. We hope that your holiday season will be spent joyously in the company of those you hold dear. Merry Christmas!

House Of Flowers

CHARLES, SUE, DENISE and DEBORAH

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MRS. JACK KIRBY

Cook onion, pepper and hamburger meat, salt and pepper until brown. Add 1 can tomatoes, 1 cup instant rice. Simmer for 15 minutes. Add cheese wedges on top while still hot.

ORANGE NUT CAKE

1 T. orange juice
2 C. sugar
1 C. butter
4 eggs
1/2 C. buttermilk
1 t. soda
3 C. Flour 1/2 on dates and nuts
1 C. dates
1 C. nuts
1/4 C. orange juice
Mix 1 tablespoon orange juice, sugar and butter for two minutes. Then mix milk and eggs alternately with flour then add dates, nuts and rest of orange juice.

GLAZE
2 C. powdered sugar
3/4 C. orange juice

Mix and let set while cake is cooking, then pour over cake while hot. This makes three loaf cakes.

BROWNIES

6 T. melted shortening
1 C. sugar
2 eggs
1 C. nuts
3/4 C. flour
dash salt
3 T. cocoa
3 T. boiling water

Bake at 350 degrees for 25 to 30 minutes.

SONS VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Smith are expecting as guests Friday their sons Joe Bob and Mr. and Mrs. Waymond Smith and Cory of Scurry.

Recipe Of The Week

Mrs. Jack Kirby shares recipes of three of her family's favorite dishes.

Lou and Jack Kirby moved to their home southeast of Olton in May 1966. Jack is engaged in farming. They have two daughters Carla, a junior in Olton High, and Annette, a seventh grader. Lou is a native of Hale Center having lived there all her life until moving to Olton.

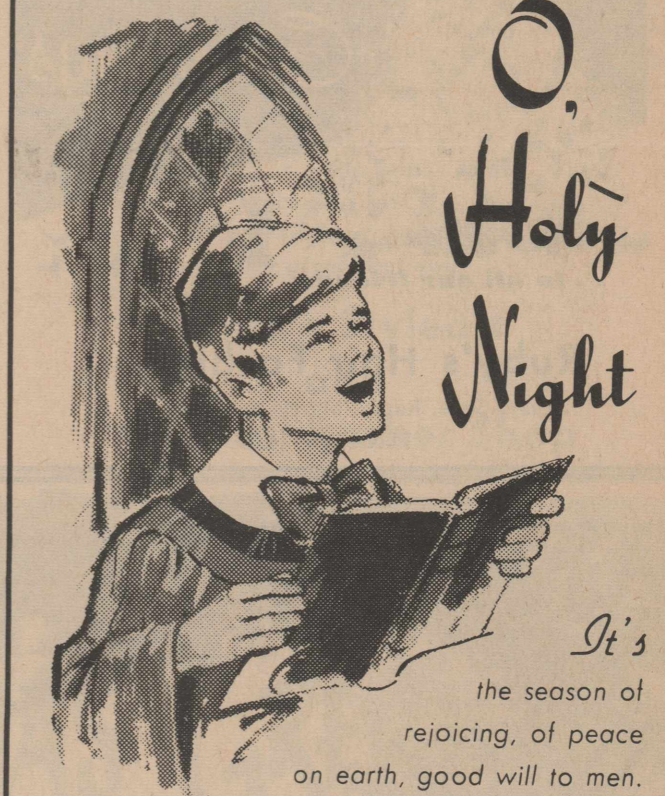
Lou is a member of the Home Demonstration Club and will serve as president for the coming year. She also is a member of PTA and Band Parents.

The Kirbys are members of the First Methodist Church.

Lou's hobbies are cooking, and sewing. She also enjoys refinishing furniture.

WESTERN STYLE HASH

1 med onion
1 green pepper
2 lbs. hamburger meat
1 c. instant rice
2 tsp. salt
1/4 tsp. pepper
1 can tomatoes
1 1/2 lb. cheese wedges



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At this season of joy our Heavenly Father, we render thanks to Thee for the gift of eternal life given so freely in the person of Thy Son, Jesus Christ. May we humbly, by faith accept Thy gift.

Amen.



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ATTEND CONCERT

Mrs. Juanita Thomas, Margaret and Connie and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nafzger attended a Christmas Choral program at South Plains College Tuesday evening Dec. 19. Harry Max Thomas, son of Mrs. Juanita Thomas, was a soloist in the program.

SATURDAY GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Smith had as their guests Saturday Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Neel and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Allen of Plainview.

PREACHES SUNDAY

Bro. Cecil Bunch of Lubbock preached Sunday at Springlake Church of Christ. He and his family were luncheon guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dear, Lonnie, Myrna, Leland, Karen, Darla, Larry and Connie.

VISITS PARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Smith of Lubbock spent Sunday afternoon with Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Smith.



WESTERN OUTFITS are issued to guests at the 20th annual Goodyear Soil Conservation Awards Program at Litchfield Park, Ariz. Here on the patio at the Wigwam, desert resort, James E. Steffey, Anton, and Merrill Briganice, Olton, check hats for size. The two were among the 106 award-winning conservationists representing the 50 states and Puerto Rico on the vacation-study tour sponsored by The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company of Akron, Ohio.

Carol McCasland Marries Stephen Robert Johnson

Carol Zee McCasland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George McCasland and Stephen Robert Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. (Herman) Johnson, exchanged wedding vows Dec. 15 at 7:30 p. m. in Northside Baptist Mission in Plainview. The double ring vows were read by the Rev. Dorman Kinard of Lamesa, former pastor of the Parkview Baptist Church in Plainview.

White tapers in candelabras and baskets of white mums flanked the altar.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a sheath gown of white crepe. It was fashioned with long sleeves shirred at the wrist with satin bows and bejeweled satin band at the neckline. Her elbow length veil of illusion fell from a cluster of fabric roses enhanced with pearls and irridescent. She carried a cascading bouquet of roses atop a white satin and lace covered Bible given her by the groom when she graduated from high school.

Mrs. Butch Platt was matron of honor, Connie McCasland, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid. They wore street length dresses of antique gold and carried nosegays of white pom pom mums.

Bill Johnson of Hobbs, N. M., brother of the bridegroom, served as best man. Dan Houchin was groomsmen, Jimmy

Jones and Leon Douglas seated the guests.

Mark Smith, nephew of the bridegroom, was ring bearer. Candace McCasland, sister of the bride, was flower girl.

Candles were lighted by Scott Smith, nephew of the bridegroom. Carla McCasland, sister of the bride, registered the guests.

Mrs. Jim Leggram, organist, presented nuptial selections. Miss Evelyn Vineyard sang "Whither Thou Goest" and "The Wedding Prayer".

A reception was held immediately following the ceremony in fellowship hall. Jane't Mears, Melinda Johnson and Jennifer Johnson, nieces of the bridegroom, presented guests with rice bags.

The couple are graduates of Plainview High School. Johnson lived northeast of Olton and attended school in Olton for four years. The groom is a sophomore at Texas Tech.

W. M. S. Meets, Plans Programs

The Women's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church met Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the church.

Mrs. L. O. Langley led the calendar of Prayer.

Mrs. Rufus DeBerry led the group in singing "Silent Night".

Plans were made for the mission action work of the organization for next year.

Attending the meeting were Mrs. C. S. Silcott, Mrs. Jack Estes, Mrs. Roland Green, Mrs. Larry Witten, Mrs. Benny Dickson, Mrs. C. W. Phillips, Mrs. Russell Strain, Mrs. Langley and Mrs. DeBerry.

Mrs. Johnson, mother of Mrs. Green, was also present.

Yule Party Honors Husbands

Members of the Bykota Study Club entertained their husbands with a Christmas party Saturday night at the Country Clubhouse.

Members brought dishes to supplement the baked turkey dinner.

Green, gold and silver decorations carried out the Christmas theme. Thirteen couples attended.

Consumers Host Christmas Party

Mr. and Mrs. Barton Pres-tridge hosted the Consumer's annual Christmas Dinner Party at Hamill's Restaurant Saturday evening, Dec. 16 at 7:30. Traditional turkey dinner was served.

Gifts were exchanged from the Christmas tree.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Buck Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Daugherty, Mrs. Bill Yates and Mrs. Paul Burrus.

Fire Department Holds Dinner

Members of the Olton Volunteer Fire Department and their wives held their annual Christmas party Friday evening at Hamill's Restaurant.

Assistant Fire Chief Harold Jordan presented Fire Chief and Mrs. Tom Smith with an electric hot tray.

Following the steak supper the group gathered at the fire station for games of 42 and Skip Bo. Fifty-two guests were present.

ACROSS THE COUNTY LINE

MRS. C. D. TANNER
Ph. 889-3820 Halfway

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Harrell were hosts to a Christmas buffet supper Tuesday night.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Neilan Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Rollo Harrell, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Pillow, Mr. and Mrs. Winford Smith, and John White.

Mrs. Bell Sanders of Tulia was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Hollis Young and Mr. and Mrs. Jerrell Young and boys. A birthday dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Hollis Young honored their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Jerrell Young.

The adult class of the Halfway Methodist Church had supper at the Congress Inn Tuesday night. Following the supper they drove to the W. H. Dean home and played "42".

Those in the group were Messrs. and Mines, C. H. Kayler, R. S. Pinkerton, Ward Pinkerton, J. S. Bell, Arthur Morris, Mrs. E. C. Patterson and John White.

Mr. and Mrs. Ershel Johnson were deer hunting at Arboles, Colo., leaving home Dec. 9 and returning Dec. 15. During the five days they were in Arboles much snow fell but Johnson was successful in getting one buck.

Coming home they had to stay overnight in Santa Fe, N. M. because of the snow blocked roads.

The Rev. and Mrs. M. O. Evans of Plainview, parents of Mrs. Ershel Johnson, stayed with Shirley, Cynthia and Steve while their parents were away.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Edens of Bovina visited his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Alexander, Sunday.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Critchfield Sunday were Shawn and Stacy Critchfield of Plainview, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Blevin of Littlefield and Lt. and Mrs. Roy Neal Jones of Clovis, N. M.

A Christmas program and tree will be held at the Valley View Church Saturday at 6:30 p. m.

Services will be held at the Valley View Church at the usual hour Sunday morning but there will be no evening services.

Mrs. Le Ila Backeberg returned home from the Plainview hospital Monday morning.

Hostess for the Westside Community Club Thursday afternoon was Mrs. Nellie Ruth Roberts. At the Christmas meeting secret pals were revealed and gifts exchanged.

A luncheon was enjoyed by the group. Then games of "42" and "Skip-bo" were played by Mrs. Gladys Copeland, Lucille Copeland, Norma Jo Griffith and Terry, Murdell Shipley, Frances Leathers and Barbara, Dorothy LaFrance, Erma Lee-Cox, Vina Burgess, Ava Copeland, Cassie Copeland, Tommie Clark and the hostess.

Sunday, Dec. 24, morning services will be held at the Halfway Methodist Church at the usual hour but there will be no evening services.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Tanner and Russell were dinner guests at Drane Hall at Texas Tech Sunday. Then in the afternoon they attended open house in Horn Hall.

The Northwest Home Demonstration Club Annual Christmas party was held Dec. 12 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon McEachern.

Christmas decorations, including a large tree, were used throughout the house.

The meal was served buffet style in the activity room. Guests were seated at long tables covered with white with red and green center pieces.

The program was introduced by Mrs. Clyde Witten, program chairman, Freda McEachern, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon McEachern, read the Christmas story from the second chapter of Acts. Ray Winn led the group in Christmas carols. Mrs. Bill Bohner showed slides and told about the trip she made last summer to England, Holland and France.

Gifts were not exchanged, but contributions were given to the High Plains Children Training Center of Plainview.

Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Odell Jennings of Tulia; Mr. and Mrs. Bayne McCurry, Baynetta and Roger, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Shea, and Mrs. Fred Keesee, Sr. of Plainview and Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Workman, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Pirkle and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bohner of the Edmonson community.

Club members and their husbands attending were Messrs. and Mmes. John Stephenson, J. C. Gallimore, Wayne Painter, Andy Wieber, Lester White, Dwight Lewis, Ernest Jones, Clyde Witten, Ray Winn, Eldon McEachern, and Mrs. Sarah Grader and Mrs. Herb Garrett.

The members of the planning committee for the party were Mrs. McEachern, Mrs. Clyde Witten and Mrs. J. C. Gallimore.

A Christmas program and tree, is to be held at the Halfway Methodist Church Wednesday at 7 p. m.

College Student Recognition Day will be held at the Halfway Methodist Church, Dec. 31.

The C. D. Tanners visited Herb Martin of Flomot in the Methodist Hospital, Lubbock, Sunday. Martin had a badly crippled foot and leg as the result of a cotton stripper accident.



CHOIR CONCERT SCENES



Merry Christmas

Here's to you, our good friends and patrons... our sincere appreciation for the privilege of serving you and best wishes for a happy holiday season.

Superior Cleaners
JIM and MARGUERITE

GREETINGS

Have a wonderful season full of joy. Thank you for your loyal patronage.

Thomas Beauty Shop

Season's Greetings

... to all our friends!

Ruby's Hair Fashions
Ruby, Gene, Randy, Martie and Lonnie
Phone 285-2438

Merry Christmas

We ring out with notes of good cheer to you and yours this Christmas season. You've brought us a happy year, through your patronage and good will. Our deepest appreciation is yours.

Corcorran's
Plainview, Texas



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Radiantly, a star shines across the years... recalling the joy of the first Christmas, and gleaming still in hope and happiness for all. Let us rejoice, as we cherish the manifold blessings of this holy season.

Littlefield Federal Savings & Loan

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

To our wonderful customers, our sincerest thanks, and our wishes for a wonderful Christmas... brimming with laughter and good cheer.

Olton Trade Lot

Christmas Greetings

We pause 'mid the holiday bustle to count our many blessings, and to express deep appreciation for the patronage you have given us. To you and yours, our fondest Christmas greetings!

AMERICAN GRAIN

Presents Christmas Program Assembly Of God Church

A Christmas program was presented Sunday evening, Dec. 17, in the Assembly of God Church with Mrs. Leslie Kennedy directing.

Rev. Gerald Burton gave the invocation.

Debbie Burton gave the welcome.

A playlet, "Star Beams for Jesus" was given by Steve, Vickie and Sheri Kennedy, Keith Austin, Quilla Edwards and Debbie Burton. They sang "Away in a Manger".

Darla Frazier gave the reading "How Far Is Bethlehem?"

The Teen Age Class presented "Christmas In Deed" with a cast of Mrs. Billy Austin, Darla Frazier, Randy Aus-

tin, Harriet Burton, Alice Fay Austin, Steve Kennedy and Keith Austin. Vickie Kennedy sang "We Three Kings of The Orient Are". Other carols of the play were "Oh Come All Ye Faithful", "Silent Night", and "On Little Town of Bethlehem".

Gifts were exchanged and each person present was given a sack of treats.

7th, 8th Grade Girls Beat Kress

The Olton 7th grade girls basketball team barely edged by the Kress girls in a game at Kress Monday night, Dec. 18. The final score was Olton 12 and Kress 11.

By quarters the score was: 1st quarter, Olton, 3, Kress 1; 2nd quarter, Olton 8, Kress 1; 3rd quarter, Olton 9, Kress 3; and 4th quarter, Olton, 12, Kress 11.

The 8th grade girls beat the Kress girls there Monday by a wider margin than the 7th grade girls did, as the game ended with Olton scoring 22, and Kress, 5.

Debbie McClain was top scorer with 7 points.

At the end of the 1st quarter, the score was Olton 5, Kress, 1; 2nd quarter, Olton, 16, Kress, 3; 3rd quarter, Olton, 22, Kress, 4; and 4th quarter, Olton 22, Kress, 5.

Rita Clay is coach of both Olton teams.

Methodists Have Pageant

The Children's and Youth departments of the First Methodist Church presented a Christmas program for the evening worship service Sunday evening, Dec. 17.

A play, "The Birthday of the King" by Marilyn P. Haber, starred Steve Spain, Leslie Holladay, Sandie Gregory and Gary Gregory. Christmas carols emphasized scenes in the play. They were sung by the youth choir.

Also participating in the program was the cherub choir.

Following the program, refreshments were served in fellowship hall. The table was laid with a poinsettia print cloth. A silver Christmas tree with multicolored decorations completed the decorations.

CHILDREN VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. John Carson, Cynthia, Clay and Ray of Dahlhart and Mr. and Mrs. James Carson, Christie and Angela of Hugoton, Kans. will arrive Friday to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Raymon Carson and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stansell.

Spotlight On Senior Citizens



MR. AND MRS. JOHN W. IVINS

Remember Old Ways Of Farming

He either took her courting in a one-horse buggy or they went afoot, but anyway they fell in love and were married August 15, 1915 near Saint Jo, Texas.

She was Gertrude Morris, who was born May 17, 1898 in Bosque County, and he was John W. Ivins, born January 24, 1894 in Oklahoma Indian Territory. They have been residents of Olton since the fall of 1942.

Gertrude's father was a farmer. Her mother died when Gertrude was only nine months old so she was reared by an aunt and lived here and there. She had two brothers, four step-brothers and two step-sisters.

John went to school in the Indian Territory from the time he was six until he was eleven years old, walking three miles to the schoolhouse. He grew up with seven sisters and six brothers, of whom there are now three brothers and three sisters living. A few Indians would come by their place in Oklahoma but never bothered them any. In 1907, the family moved to Saint Jo, in Montague County, Texas.

After Mr. and Mrs. Ivins were married they lived near Saint Jo for over 20 years and then moved to Willard, N. M. where they farmed 500 acres of pinto beans. Mr. Ivins got his farm training early, assisting his father. At the age of nine, he started plowing with a Georgia stock pulled by one mule. He picked cotton until

"way after Christmas" in those days.

He remembers seeing his mother using her spinning wheel and making stockings for all the kids in the family, and his mouth waters yet just thinking about the delicious cornbread and sweet potatoes she cooked in a skillet at the fireplace.

Mrs. Ivins raised her family on the rub board, so to speak, and thinks her clothes were actually whiter than they are now with modern detergents and bleaches.

When the Ivins family moved to Olton, he first did farm work and then became janitor at the Olton Schools, a job he held for 19 years until his retirement five years ago.

A bout with the flu put Mrs. Ivins in the hospital for five days recently, but she is now recuperating at home.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Ivins enjoy watching TV and both work in the yard some. She likes to raise mums and all kinds of flowers. Mrs. Ivins' other hobbies are crocheting, embroidering, and reading.

The couple are members of the Northside Church of Christ and attend regularly. They have five children, Mrs. D. M. "Bub" (Dorothy) Holt and Chester (Dick) Ivins, both of Olton; Mrs. Doc (Loree) Barker of Pampa; Gordon Ivins of O'Donnell; and Walden Ivins of Bell Garden, Calif.; 14 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

V.J. Trusty's Father Dies

Services for John Trusty, father of V. J. Trusty, were held Dec. 12 in Callahan-Edfast Chapel in Grand Junction, Colo. Crescy Nedej, minister of the Church of Christ, officiated.

Trusty was born Jan. 12, 1902 in Jonesboro, Ark. and died Dec. 9, 1967 in Grand Junction, Colo.

He was married to Miss Mamie Croft June 3, 1922 at Jonesboro, Ark. Trusty moved to Colo. in 1944 from Floydada.

Trusty is survived by his widow; two sons, V. J. of Olton and J. T. Trusty of Moab, Utah; four daughters, Mrs. Edwin Anderson, Mrs. James Bagerly, Mrs. Floyd Eslinger and Mrs. Jay Bias, all of Grand Junction; three sisters, Mrs. Maggie Johnson, Leachville, Ark., Mrs. Alta Beard, Jonesboro, Ark., and Mrs. Pauline Deal, Haines City, Fla.; 15 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Laura Wheeler To Attend Meet

Laura Wheeler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Wheeler, will leave Christmas Day to attend the Young People's Church Conference in Cleveland, Ohio.

Laura is a freshman at Texas Tech and is active in the Wesley Foundation. She will go as a delegate to the Conference with a group from Lubbock. The group will drive to Dallas and go by chartered bus to Cleveland. They will return home Jan. 1.

CHILDREN VISIT

Expected guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Huckabee Sunday, Dec. 24, are their daughters and families, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Autry and Kathy of Clarendon, and Mr. and Mrs. George Bickley, Ken and Debby of Seymour. Other guests will be the Huckabee's son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Huckabee, Jana and Scott.

CHRISTMAS IN MISSOURI

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Mc Broom and their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Edwards, Lyndell and Quilla plan to spend Christmas in Golden City, Mo. with the Mc Broom's other daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Young.

GRANDCHILDREN VISIT

Terry, Teresa and Todd Lively of Earth have been visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgle Gray the past week while their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Lively of Earth have been in Fort Worth at the bedside of Lively's mother who has recently undergone surgery.

HOSPITALIZED
Mrs. G. C. Bearden who has been in West Plains Hospital, Muleshoe several weeks, was reported Monday to be improving.

MRS. BLYTHE ILL
Mrs. Ann Blythe of Plainview was critically ill in a hospital there Friday and Saturday but since that time has been slightly improved.

A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

"...and on earth peace,
good will toward men." So may your days be
blessed with the joys of Christmas.

Parley's Barber Shop

PARLEY, MARY, DENISE and LANA

A Joyous Christmas

To all, a wish for a Christmas richly
blessed with peace and joy.
And to our patrons, our heartfelt thanks
for the privilege of serving you.

Anita's Styleart and Charles' Barber Shop

Hi there! Hope
your holidays are the merriest!

Open Sunday
till 2 p.m.

Hamill's

Greer, Coy & Alanna

Closed Monday,
Dec. 25

Dorcas And Sarah Classes Hold Christmas Social

The Dorcas and Sarah Sunday School Classes of the First Baptist Church held a joint Christmas social Tuesday night in Fellowship Hall of the Church.

Christmas decorations and a Christmas tree were arranged by Mrs. Witt Laceywell and Mrs. W. B. Dickenson Sr.

Mrs. L. G. Elkins gave the opening prayer. The devotion was given by Mrs. Dickenson. She read "Look at Christmas" and "Christ in Christmas", the latter was written by her

son, the Rev. B. A. Dickenson. "The Greatest Things" was presented by Mrs. Tom Smith.

The group sang Christmas carols. Mrs. Rufus DeBerry led the singing with Mrs. M. G. Fisher as accompanist.

Gifts were exchanged. Members brought food gifts to be given to needy families.

Fruit cake, spiced tea and coffee were served to Mmes.

Ira Bridges, Homer Curry, Marshall Campbell, Paul Featherngill, C. S. Silcott, Jack Estes, Smith, Dickenson, De Berry, Fisher, Elkins and Laceywell.

HOSPITALIZED

A. C. Brigrance is a patient in Methodist Hospital.

VISIT IN HALE CENTER

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Smith visited Charlie Cunningham in the hospital at Hale Center Monday afternoon. While in Hale Center they also visited Smith's mother, Mrs. W. B. Smith Sr.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

We hope Santa brightens your day as you've brightened our year. Thanks.

City Barber Shop

A. A. SMITH

Christmas Blessings

This we wish you—hale and hearty health, tranquility of mind, happiness of spirit. Have a Merry Christmas!

Riley's T.V.

Christmas Gifts For The Entire Family

We Are Giving Away A Free Mangus
Chord Organ Dec.23.

OLTON DRUG

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

At this festive time of year, we'd like to thank you, our loyal friends and customers, for your consideration and patronage throughout the year. May you and your family enjoy a happy holiday filled with good cheer and contentment.

G. H. Bley

Garrett and Lora Bley

VISIT DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Huckabee spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Clarendon as guests of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Autry and Kathy.

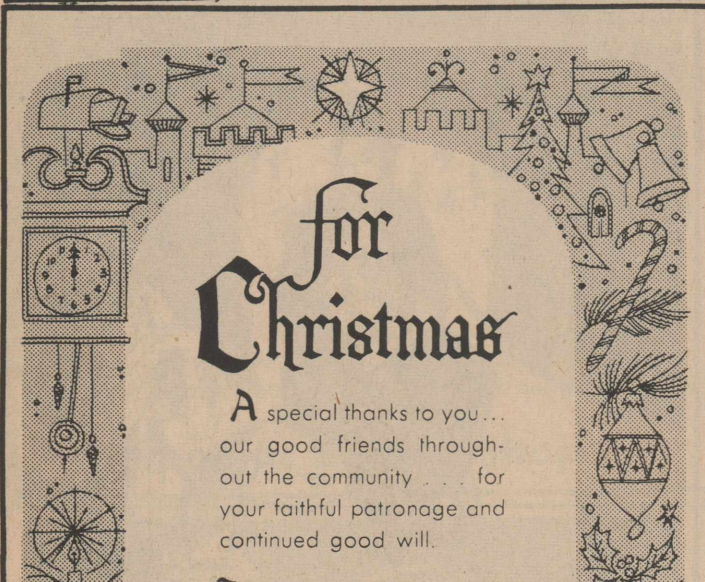
VISIT SISTER

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gibson, Mrs. Jim Fuller, Mrs. Roscoe Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Cain Jr. and Jim Bartlett were in Plainview Sunday seeing Mrs. Ann Blythe.




Greetings
May Christmastime joy and laughter be yours on this happy holiday... and may we gratefully thank you for your patronage.

Jeffrey Lumber



for Christmas

A special thanks to you... our good friends throughout the community... for your faithful patronage and continued good will.



Wayne's Printing Co.
WAYNE, GLENDA and TIMMY



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

To our wonderful customers, our sincerest thanks, and our wishes for a wonderful Christmas... brimming with laughter and good cheer.

J. C. Jones Co.



Greetings

In the holiday spirit we take time out to thank our customers for their loyalty, friendship and patronage throughout the year. It's always our joy to serve!

Olton Tire And Supply
Jim Bitner, owner
C. C. Curry, manager

Everything But The Kitchen Sink

BY MOZELLE TROTTER

It's just a few more days now until Santa Claus comes and I've just thought of something else I'd like for him to bring me! I hope he takes time out to read the "Kitchen Sink" before he starts towards Olton because I need some "material" for the Sink REAL BAD.

I do admire all the very talented people that write DAILY columns. (I've been trying to think of something for this weekly one for several days now.) And, almost without fail, they have interesting columns every day. If I had to write a daily column I'm afraid I would have to resort to the encyclopedia and copy it verbatim.

I'm pretty sure that most talent is supplemented by "95% perspiration" and I probably don't put forth more than 5% BUT I do wish I'd been standing in line when they passed out talents.

I would have loved to have been in line to receive "piano playing talent" and, instead, I can't even play CHOPSTICKS.

I almost DROOL when I hear people play the piano and organ.

I'd have liked to be in the line for "singing voices," too. With the kind of singing I do, I'm forced to just move my lips and PLAY LIKE.

Artistic ability is another line that I missed. We have so many very talented artists at Olton. I can't even paint by number! However since I'm not smart enough to appreciate abstract art, it's my opinion that I COULD do that - only trouble is, I don't want to paint abstractly!

Gracious, I've about lost all my positive thinking. I'm SURE I must have been standing in some line and received SOME talent. Some good talent, that is. (I was first in line when they passed out talk-too-much-tits.)

Looks as though I may have got a full share of wandering thoughts, too. Anyway, if you see Santa before Christmas Eve tell him to bring me a big batch of "Sinkspiration".



Chit Chat
BY SANDEE GREGORY AND JANE ANN DUNCAN



School is great! It gives every student a chance to learn to learn about life and its necessities. One learns of science, government, history, English, and current events. We have public schools where those, who could not otherwise pay for their education, can gain some knowledge.

Then, we have sports, clubs, and other activities. One learns the art of making friends; he learns to play fair and to work together toward a goal. A student learns to make adjustments in order to abide by the majority's rule.

School is great! But, then, we do get tired of it! It's time for vacation and everyone knows it. Nothing like spending the whole 282 hours catching up on all the lost sleep you've devoted to tests. Wouldn't it be nice if one could do that? But we can't.

We have postponed duties and now the time has come to get them done. But must we spend all 16,920 minutes work-

ing? Why not! We'll probably delay what we can until Easter or some other weekend. The perfect thing to do is to spend 507,600 seconds working, and then you'll have 507,600 seconds to do what you want. Then again, if you average 8 hours of sleep a night, that doesn't leave but 162,000 seconds of free time! Just isn't fair, is it?

Tuesday the Mustang and Fillies traveled to Floydada to play their second district game.

The Mustangs trampled the Whirlwinds 45-33 with Charles A. McClain leading the point department with 14. Kenneth Johnson followed with 13 points.

Lannie McClain rebounded for 14 and Kenneth Johnson had 12 and Pat Bodkin rebounded 11 times.

The Mustangs now stand 2-0 in the district.

Even though Leslie Norfleet was leading scorer against the Whirlwinds with 14, the Fillies fell to Floydada 28-48. Francine Offield and Connie Kendall scored six points each.

Diane Malone rebounded for six, Myrle Givens got five balls, and Robbie Langford jumped for four.

What a game! The Mustangs really put up a tough defense against CTK school during the last game in the Idaloa Tournament. In three overtimes, the stubborn Mustangs finally fell to CTK 38-37. It was quite a game!

Charles A. McClain was selected on the All-Tournament Team and the Mustangs received their second place trophy.

Lynn McGill was selected on the Girls All-Tournament Team.



THIS FESTIVE SNOWMAN can be easily made and also the cake. They add a joyful look to any household at the Christmas season.

Pretty Decorations Made With Popcorn

For the gang that likes to pop corn, plan a pop-art party where everyone tries his hand at pop art with a candied popcorn mixture. Greet the guests with a table-top snowman made with popcorn and to keep them from eating up all the art supplies, bring out a popcorn cake, complete with tiers and candles and a tiny angel adorning the top.

POPCORN SNOWMAN
4 1/3 c. light corn syrup
4 1/3 c. sugar
12 1/2 qts. white popped corn
1 (13 1/2-inch) and 4 (4-inch) dowel sticks

To prepare base: Combine 12/3 cups of the corn syrup and 12/3 cups of the sugar in heavy saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture comes to a full boil and sugar is dissolved. Measure 4 1/2 quarts of the popped corn into large kettle. Place over medium heat and, stirring constantly, gradually pour syrup mixture over popped corn, stirring until all is completely and evenly coated, 3 to 5 minutes. Remove from heat and press mixture into greased 2 1/2 quart mixing bowl with spoon. Let set about 20 minutes. Unmold and leave flat side down. Insert 13 1/2-inch dowel stick through center.

To prepare middle: Follow method for preparing base mixture, using 1 1/3 cups of the corn syrup, 1 1/3 cups of the sugar and 4 quarts of the popped corn. Press mixture evenly into 2 greased 1-quart mixing bowls. Let set about 20 minutes. Unmold one bowlful and place flat side up through dowel stick on base. Unmold second and place flat side down through dowel stick, forming a ball.

To prepare head and arms: Follow method for preparing base mixture, using 1 1/3 cups of the corn syrup, 1 1/3 cups of the sugar and 4 quarts of the popped corn. Let mixture stand until cool enough to han-

dle, then shape about half the mixture into a ball for head, using greased hands. Place through dowel stick on top of middle section.

Shape half the remaining mixture into a curved arm to nestle at the waist (center of the middle ball). Insert one (4-inch) dowel stick partially into back of arm, along inner curve, near end. Repeat with a second (4-inch) stick near front end. To attach to snowman, insert first stick into side of middle ball, curve arm toward front of snowman and insert second stick to keep arm close to body. Repeat procedure for second arm. Decorate snowman as described. If mixture cools and does not stick together, place over low heat a few minutes.

POPCORN CAKE
1/2 c. light corn syrup
2 c. sugar
1 c. water
20 regular size marshmallows
2 tsp. almond extract
17 cups popped corn

Combine corn syrup, sugar and water in saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture boils. Cook without stirring to 238 degrees F, or until a small amount of mixture forms a soft ball when dropped into very cold water. Remove from heat. Quickly add marshmallows and almond extract, stirring until marshmallows melt and blend with syrup. Pour syrup over popcorn and toss until all popcorn is well coated. Press mixture into one greased 9-inch and one greased 8-inch layer cake pan, and into one greased coffee can, filling one can half full. Any remaining mixture may be pressed into small custard cup. Let stand until cool and firm, then unmold. Stack layers and decorate as desired, using candles, ribbon, candies and tree ornaments.

To cut the cake, remove the ornaments, lift off one layer at a time and cut into slices.

Whether you mold candied popcorn free hand or with molds as is done here for the snowman and cake, it's great fun for all ages.

Livestock Show Schedules Stars

Entertainment stars of the 1968 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo were announced by President Louis M. Pearce at a meeting of the board of directors. Dates for the show, which will be held in the famed Harris County Domes Stadium are Feb. 21 through Mar. 3.

The show will open with television stars Buddy Ebsen and Irene Ryan, "Jed and Granny" of the popular program, The Beverly Hillbillies. They will appear at three performances on Feb. 21, 22 and 23. The next attractions will be Michael Landon, known to millions as "Little Joe" of the Bonanza television series, along with western singing star Marty Robins. Landon and Robins will appear at five performances on Feb. 24, 25 and 26. Backing "Little Joe" at these

performances will be the talented "Frontiersmen and Joanie." Appearing Feb. 27 through Mar. 1 will be singing sensation Wayne Newton, and on the last weekend, Mar. 2 and 3, will be the all-time favorites, Roy Rogers and Dale Evans, along with the Sons of the Pioneers.

Appearing at every performance will be the famous trick riding team of Stoker, Rossi and Group.

Top R. C. A. professional cowboys will be competing for the world's richest rodeo purse, expected to total nearly \$100,000. They will be matching skills with the wildest stock available, furnished by rodeo producer, Harry Knight, of Fowler, Colo.

Ticket prices range from \$2.00 to \$4.00, and ticket information may be obtained by writing Ticket Director, 2000 South Loop West, Houston.



GREETINGS

May the cheery sounds of Christmas carry with them the warmest joys, and thanks to you, our good friends and customers.

White Auto



GREETINGS

'Tis the season to thank you for your patronage and extend best wishes for an old-fashioned holiday.



Motorola Dealer For Olton And Surrounding Trade Area

LUSTER'S TV & RADIO

New Location After 1st. Of The Year-1st. Door West Of Olton Drug

Phone 285-2755



Greetings

It's Christmas, and time to greet good friends... time, too, to count our blessings. One of the greatest of these is the friendship of those whom we are privileged to serve.

TO ALL, OUR THANKS AND BEST WISHES

The Yardstick
Plainview



To Our Patrons

Greetings

and Good Wishes

It is a pleasure at this Holiday time to wish you much happiness!



CREAMY RICH IN FLAVOR Good For Health

Raines Food

Merry Christmas From All Of Us At Jesse's Super Save



Pratt Jewelers
Littlefield, Texas



Joyous Christmas
It's the season for all to love, share and show they care. We care about you our loyal customers. Heartfelt thanks.

Doc's Garage



GREETINGS

We hope you're enjoying a cozy Christmas with those you love. Thank you, friends!

Olton Cleaners

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FOR SALE

160 acres irrigated land approximately \$5,000 government check. Priced at \$380, \$20,000 down payment. Reasonably clean farm. One 10" - one 8" irrigation well in best irrigated district.

160 acres irrigated land with good house. One 10" well, waters from west to east out of underground tile. Approximately \$6,000 government check. Clean farm. Lays real good \$12,500 down payment.

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HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Billy Carson who is attending Graceland College in Lamoni, Iowa, came home last weekend to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymon Carson.

HOSPITALIZED

L. L. LaDuke took Cristel Salinas Jr. to Lubbock Saturday to enter St. Mary's Hospital. Salinas is suffering of heart trouble and diabetes.

SON HOME

Randolph Schaefer, student of Louisiana State University came Saturday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Schaefer.



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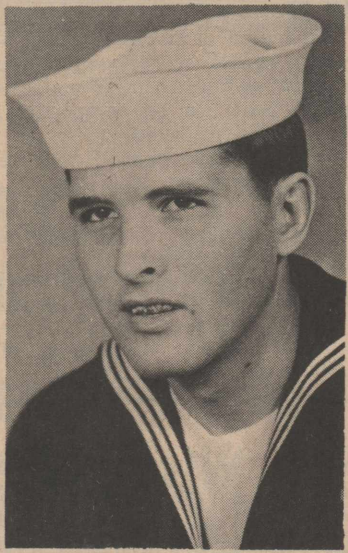
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News Of Our Service Men

Neil Andrew arrived home Saturday on leave. He will return to San Diego Dec. 30. He will be in radio and electronics school.

John Wayne Stiles of the Naval Air base of San Diego, Calif. arrived Monday night to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Stiles until Jan. 5. He and Joe Atchley of Texarkana rode from San Diego with another member of the Navy and his wife who were enroute to Memphis, Tenn.

Donnie Roden is home on leave. He has been stationed at Fort Pendleton, San Diego, Calif.



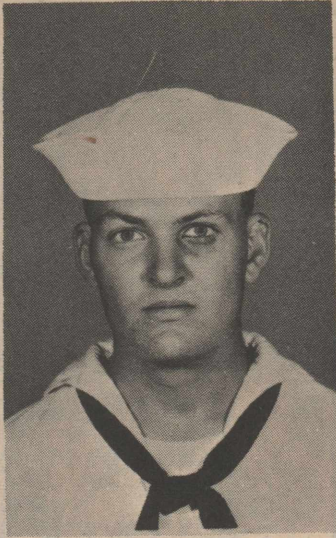
NEIL ANDREW

Capt. David S. Price, son of Mr. and Mrs. Duward Price is stationed at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. His address is: 16 Midway Lane, Eatontown, N. J. 07704

Pvt. Dick Hall E-2 son of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Hall, arrived home on leave Saturday. He will return to Ft. Polk, La. Jan. 1, 1968.

Dick graduated Thursday from special basic training. Upon his return to Camphe will enter the Ft. Polk Academy for two weeks training in a leadership course. The following eight weeks he will attend and A. T. electrician course. Then he will attend a four weeks preparatory course, learning to shoot an M16.

Spec. 4 Bill Hall, also a son of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Hall, is in Viet Nam working in a hospital. He is serving as a medic and business administration clerk. His address is: Spec. 4 Bill Hall US54371742 67th Evacuation Hospital A. P. O. San Francisco, Calif. 96238



JIMMY SCHREIER

A. A. Jimmy R. Schreier, U. S. Naval Air Force is presently in Electronics and Radio school at the Naval Air Base in Memphis, Tenn. He will be stationed there approximately one year. His address is:

7787 West National Millington, Tenn. 38053

VISIT MOTHER

Mrs. B. B. Huguley had as guests in her home Sunday afternoon her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Kersh.

Leslie Kennedys Host Party

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Kennedy, Steve, Vickie and Sheri hosted a Christmas party for the family of Mrs. Kennedy Friday evening, Dec. 15.

The home had a Yuletatmosphere with a Christmas tree, mistletoe and pine cones as decorations.

Guests were Mrs. Kennedy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. V. Kay of Plainview, and their sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kay, Darla, Rocky and Delese of Dimmitt, and Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Kay, Karen and Glenda of Finney.

Also attending were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Williamson of Edmondson, sister and brother-in-law of the hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stinnett, Randy and Rae, of Plainview, niece and family of Mrs. Kennedy and another niece, Mrs. Mickey McDowell, also of Plainview. Miss Nancy Roberson of Dimmitt accompanied the Bob Kay family to the gala occasion.

Gifts were exchanged and refreshments of sandwiches, pie, chips and dips were served.

RETURN HOME

Airman First Class and Mrs. Pat Perdue of Fairborn, Ohio, son-in-law and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gabehart, returned this week to Fairborn, Ohio after visiting several days in this area.

Dear Santa

Dear Santa:

I want either a Johnny Express, a football suit or Incredible-Edibles - please! I'm not going to be at home but you'll find me in Port Neches with my little cousin Joe Scott Allen. Could you bring him a little red wagon? Thank you.

Love from
Jon, Bradley Allcorn

Dear Santa,

I am 5 years old and have tried to be a good little girl. I would like for you to bring me a watch, a Hi-Ho Cherry-o game and a Barbie Doll. And Santa don't forget my little sister Kelli she is 4 months old and would like some small toys. And don't forget my cousin Kurt Rematore. We wanted you to know we will be visiting our grandparents in Olton so please leave our toys there. Please remember all the other little boys and girls.

Love
Jeri Lynn Small

Dear Santa

I am only one year old and only want a few things. I would like for you to bring me a tricycle and a pretty little doll. And one more thing would you bring me a stuffed puppy.

Love,
Kayla Martin

Dear Santa,

Well you please bring me a football suit and T and football and a dart gun and any kind of race set and green ghost game and a pair of gloves and operation game and most of all don't forget the other girls and boys I am 7 years old and please bring me all the things I want.

Love,
Keith Martin

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me for Christmas three things: Some silly sand, a green ghost game and Incredible Edibles.

I am 6 years old and a good girl. My brother Mike wants a truck and tractor. Also a Tricycle.

Mike is 2 1/2 years old and he is onery most of the time but he is sweet anyway, so don't forget him.

Thank you and a Merry Christmas.

Love from
Shaunalee Copeland

Dear Santa,

I am 6 years old and I have been a pretty good boy. I would like to have a match-box Gas Station and a rifle and a guitar.

Gregg Griffin

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like to have a Baby First Step and a bicycle. Also a baton. I've been pretty good this year. Please bring some fruit, nuts and candy too.

Love
Roxanne Gallion

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like to have a Barbie and suitcase with clothes. Also a Suzy homemaker. I've been pretty good girl. Bring some fruit and nuts and candy for my sock too please.

Love,
Tammy Gallion

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a Spunky Doll and a broom and mop and a dustpan. Please fill my sock too. I have been a good girl.

Donna Griffin

Dear Santa,

I want a pool table, I want a shovel truck, I want a kicking tee for my football and I would like to have a B-B gun or a shotgun. I want some sillysand too.

Brent Griffin

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like to have a fire-truck, dump truck, and a football. Also some candy fruit, nuts for my sock. I've been pretty good I think.

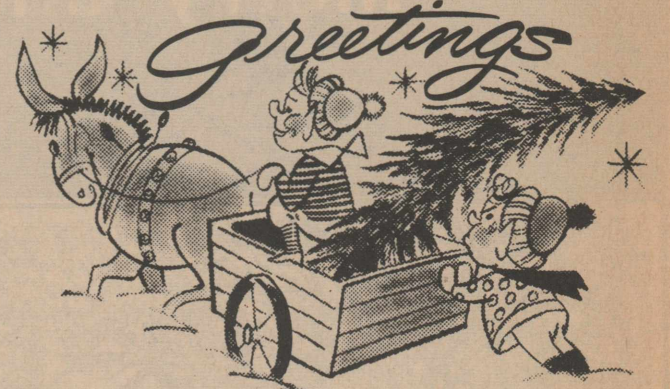
Love,
Jimmy Gallion

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like to have a truck that pulls horses, football, fire-truck and some candy, fruit and nuts. I've been pretty good this year.

Love,
Dennis Gallion

WEDNESDAY GUEST C. C. Graef of Lazbuddie visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stansell Wednesday. SON VISITS W. T. Wozencraft of Lubbock visited Tuesday with his mother, Mrs. Cora Wozencraft.



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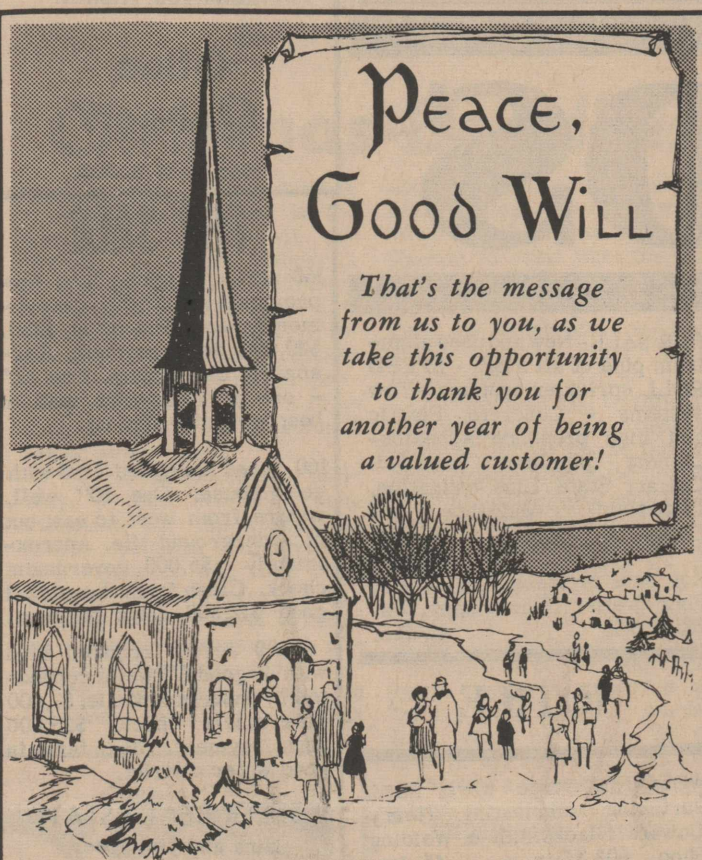
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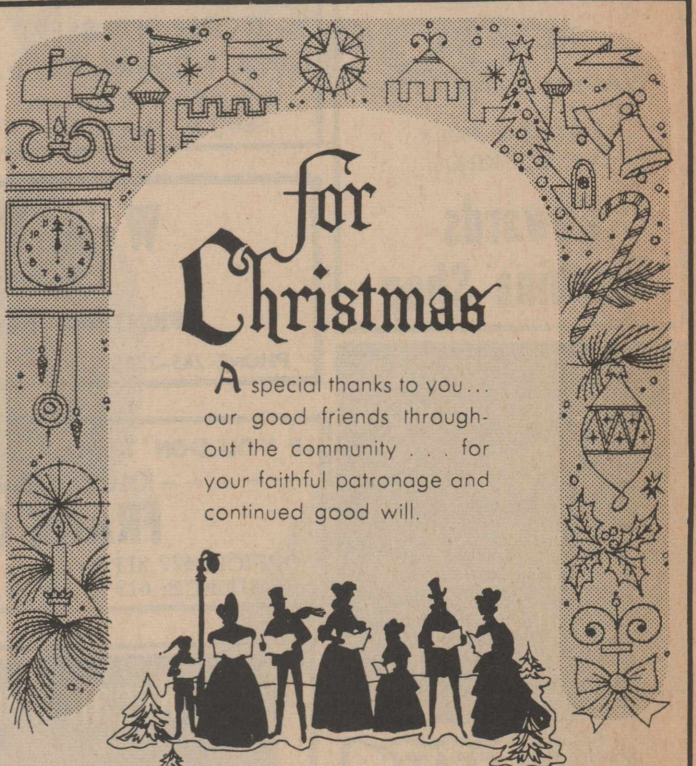
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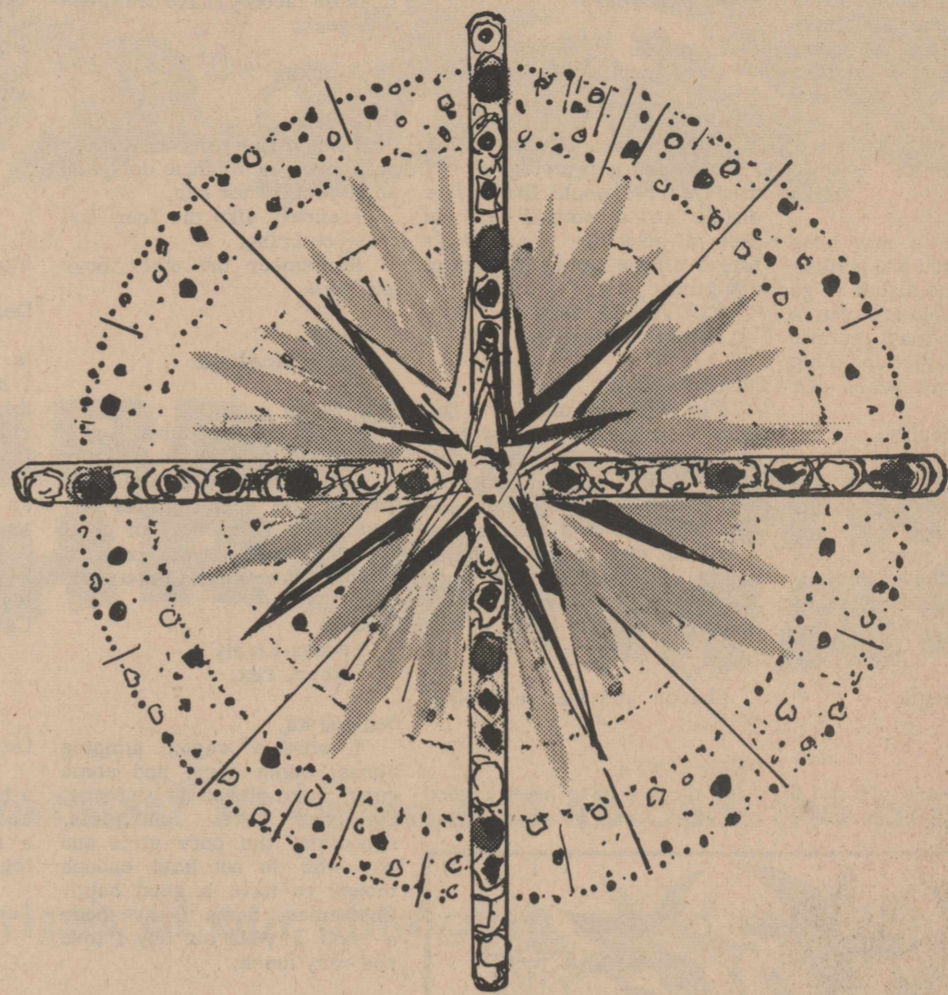


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Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
I would sure like to find a hot rod and some trucks and tractor and equipment under our Christmas tree Christmas morning. I've been a pretty good boy all year. I am four years old and I wonder how old you are.
Love ya
Terry Allen Smith

Dear Santa,
I sure need a new baby doll and a baby bed and a little cabinet with some dishes to go with my little table and chairs my Grandmother may get me. I've been a good girl and a big helper. I am three years old.
Love ya too
Sherri Gwen Smith

Dear Santa
I am just one year old as long as I have my bottle and blanket I am a pretty happy fellow. But it won't be long till I can ride push horses and toys since I've started walking.
Love ya
Toby Jerry Smith

Dear Santa
I am nine years old and I am a big help at home and I

time anyways. I'm 4 1/2 years old and I want TAMMY TEARS DOLLS that wets hers diapers and also a bike. Santa be sure and don't forget all the other little boys and girls.
Love you,
Jenny Gullett

LOVE FROM
Kimberly O'Neal
Dear Santa,
I want a Bicycle and a frighten factory I have beengood this year.
Timothy

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a Kenner bake oven, a Francie doll, and some clothes for her.
I surely like the fruit and nuts you bring.
Remember the other boys and girls.
Love
Karla McAlister

DEAR SANTA,
I'm 6 years old and I think I have been a pretty good boy this year. I would like a fire engine and a football suit and also a bike for xmas. Don't forget all the others little boys and girls.
I LOVE YOU SANTA
Tommy O'Neal Jr.

DEAR SANTA,
I'm 8 years old and I believe I have been a pretty good girl this year. I want a doll called CHEERFUL TEARFUL and a Spydere bike with a basket. I also have a baby sister 5 months old, would you bring her a doll also. Please don't forget all the other little boys and girls over the world.
Love
Teresa Lively
Eather, Tex.

Dear Santa,
I want a wagon, jumping horse, some cars, and some guns. Santa please do not forget the other boys and girls, especially the pore girls and boy who do not have enough money to have a good happy Christmas. Santa I have been a good 2 year old boy I love you very much.
Love
Kelli Hukill
Age 19 mos.

Todd Lively
from Earth, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old, my name is Mark. I would like an all-steel combine, Farmer in the Dell See n' Say, Gun, G I Joe Doll, and Incredible Edibles.
My little sister, Michelle, who is 3 years old wants a Cheerful Tearful Doll, suitcase, T.V., and a Stove. Don't forget to fill our boots with goodies! Be sure to take something to Wayne and Don in Viet Niam and don't forget our Uncle Neil. He will be at Mam Ma and Pa Pa's Christmas. Thank you Santa for everything last year! We'll leave you some milk and cookies.
Love,
Mark and Michelle Boone
Star Route 2
Olton, Texas 79064

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me baby Tubsy, a baton, and a doll house with

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like for you to bring me an Oliver tractor tricycle. Also Kelli and I would like to have a table and chair set together.
Please leave some fruit and candy in My stocking.
Remember all the other boys and girls.
I love you,
Kregg Hukill
Age 3

Dear Santa,
I love you very much. I think I have been a good girl most of the time. Please bring me a Buttercup (doll), 1 little kiddle, house shoes, some pajamas, house coat, Please bring me some of these. Don't forget my 2 brothers and sister. We will leave you something to eat on the table. Don't forget the other boys and girls.
Love,
LaDene Dudley

a piano and lots of furniture. I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Dear Santa Claus
I want a bag full of candies and oranges and a baby crawl-along doll and baby Cheerful Tearful doll and Mark wants a tractor and trallor set and Silly Sand and a talking Toy for baby and blocks to play with.
With love
Cindy, Mark, and Baby Reyes
P. S. Remember all the other boys and girls.

Dear Santa
I am six years old and this is my first year in school. I have tried to be a good boy this year and have enjoyed riding the bicycle you brought last Christmas.
This Christmas I would like an air rifle, a G. I. Joe set and an electric race car set.
Be sure and visit the other boys and girls and also Santa leave some fruit, nuts, and Candy.
Your friend,
Kelly Joe Cox

Dear Santa Claus,
Would you please bring me a baby doll and a cradle, Kregg and I would like for you to leave a table and chair set for us together.
Don't forget all the other boys and girls.
Love,
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Love,
LaDene Dudley

Dear Santa,
I would like a Simona doll and her clothes, a twiggly doll and her clothes, and a Spyder bike without a basket.
Please be good to all the other boys and girls.
Love
Sharla Nicholas

Dear Santa,
My name is Steven Lee Rose. I am 6 yrs. old.
Would you bring me a football, a Magumba, and some games for Christmas.
Merry Christmas
Thank you
Steven Rose

P. S. I've been trying to be good.
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bike, and a BeBe gun, and a football, and a fire truk. I want a foot Ball game.
Jody Cantu
December 16

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm writing to you to tell you what I want. I want a Susie-home-maker, a Lucky-Locket, Kittle. This is all I want. I want to thank you for what you've given me.
Your friend,
Elma Galvan

Through the ensuing 25 years, over 100 versions of the song have been recorded by almost as many artists, yet "White Christmas" is synonymous with the name of Bing Crosby.
The poignant Christmas message that's found in the song has made it popular 'round the world. It has been translated into Italian, French, Chinese, German, Spanish, Hungarian, the Scandinavian languages, several Polynesian tongues and even Swahili.

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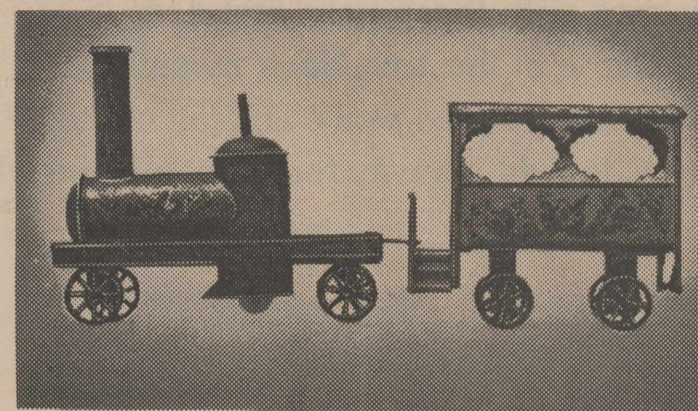
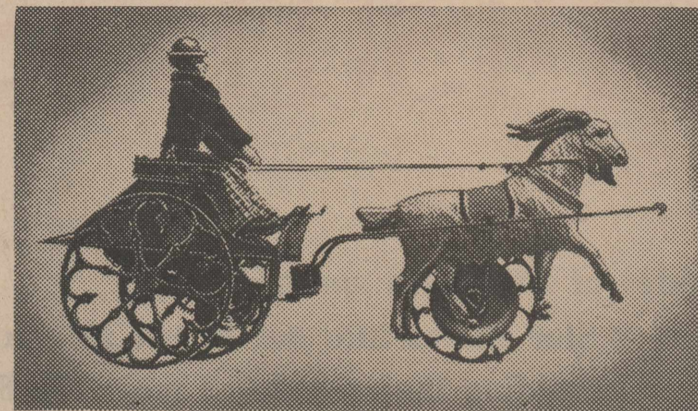
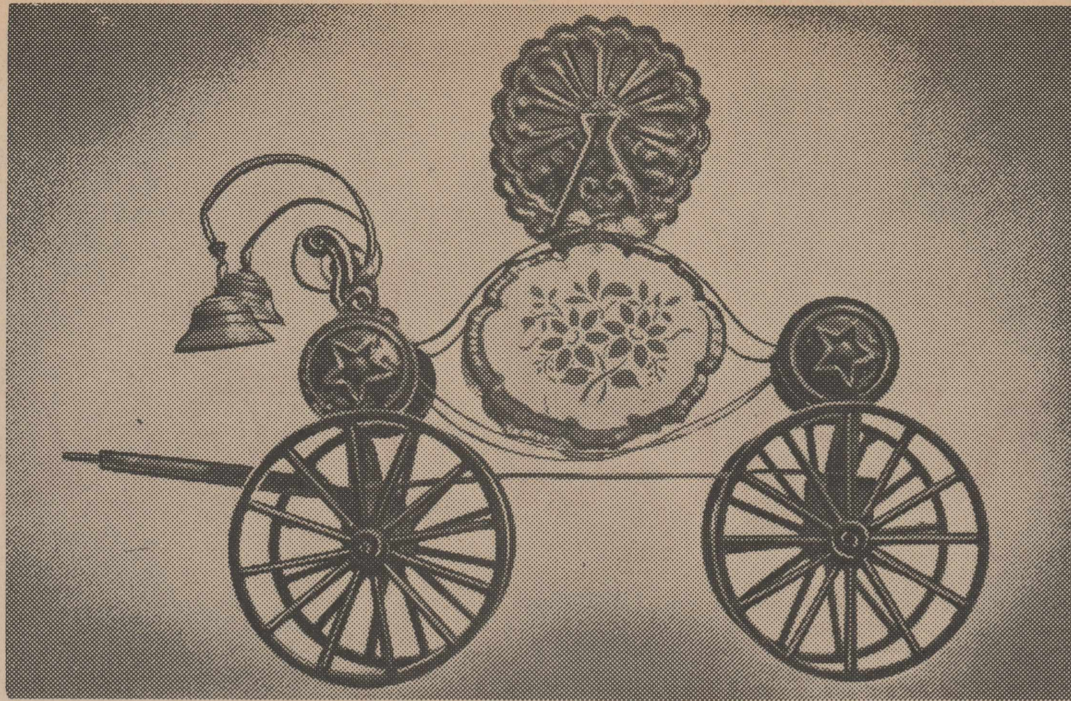
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Wheels Have Lasting Appeal

IN EVERY AGE, wheel toys capture children's hearts. Today's youngsters thrill to Christmas gifts of miniature, motorized racing cars. More than a century ago, the wheels might have adorned a diminutive "horse-drawn" buggy of tin. But the thought is always the same: to please a child.

AMONG THE FIRST to make playthings in quantity for American children were the tin-toy manufacturers of the 1850s, says Mary Childs Black, director of the Museum of American Folk Art. Often, the tin toys were wheel toys, with delicate, open-spoked wheels repeated in a wide variety of vehicles and styles.

TIN-WHEELED TOYS pictured here are from the collection of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Barenholtz, Princeton, N.J. After founding their own toy firm in 1950, the Barenholtzes developed an interest in old as well as new toys. Their tin toy collection began in 1956, with a milk wagon painted blue—a gift to Mrs. Barenholtz.

General Phone Forms New Area

In a move designed to improve its administrative and supervisory functions, General Telephone Company of the Southwest has announced the establishment of a new Western Area, with headquarters in Brownfield.

W. A. (Dub) Leigon has been named manager of the Western Area, a three-state operation which stretches from western Oklahoma through the Texas panhandle-south plains to southeastern New Mexico. Included in the new area are 88 communities in which General serves over 122,000 telephones. The new alignment is to be placed in effect on January 1, 1968.

E. H. Danner of San Angelo, president of the phone firm, announced the new arrangement which "will permit improved administration of field functions and will increase supervisory strength through the new area's operations."

The new area alignment in effect consolidates the functions of what now are two General Telephone divisions—the western division which is presently located in Brownfield, and the northern division which headquarters in Memphis.

Melvin Jennings of Memphis, who presently serves as manager of the northern division, also was named to a key position as operations manager in the new area headquarters, C. C. Scott of Brownfield, now western division manager, will move to the Dallas area as operations manager for another newly established area in that section of Texas.

Within the new area, two former General Telephone districts—the Brownfield and Memphis districts—will be redesignated as divisions. S. T. Lee of Memphis will head the division office in that city, and J. J. Parrish, presently a member of the public relations staff in General's San Angelo headquarters offices, will become manager of the Brownfield division.

District offices will continue at five cities within the new area. The districts and their respective managers are: Gwynon, Oklahoma, H. E. Craig; Carlsbad, New Mexico, Gerald Hamilton; Hobbs, New Mexico, G. D. Shelley; Perryton, Texas, Milton Caldwell; and Littlefield, Texas, Gerald Kehoe.



Rejoice . . . for Christmas is here! One of the season's bright pleasures is exchanging holiday greetings. This pleasure is ours as we say, "Thanks" to our many loyal customers.

Lester's Cleaners
HELEN WEBB, MGR.



As we look back upon the scene of His Birth at this holy time, may the glorious message that blessed the world at the Nativity be rekindled in your heart to brighten your life with happiness and understanding. Best wishes for a Christmas rich in the joys of the season.

Community Hospital

'White Christmas' Is Traditional As Plum Pudding

For a quarter of a century people have been sentimentally dreaming their way through a "White Christmas."

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LITTLE FOLK PRANCE

For Icelanders, Christmas Eve is the holiest night of the holiday season.

Tradition says, however, that many years ago elves, dwarfs and other little folks pranced and danced about the streets on the night before Christmas.



May the spirit of the first Christmas be born anew in your hearts to bless you with its glorious message, at this holy time.

Bizzell's
GERALD, MABEL and GAIL

Stocking Is Just Legend?

Did a spinster hang up the first Christmas stocking? Legend says yes, but history says no—or at most, "Maybe."

St. Nicholas, a fourth-century bishop, secretly gave gifts of gold for the dowries of poor spinsters. His method was to toss the gold down a chimney by night, at Christmas.

On one occasion, so legend says, the gift landed in a stocking, hung by the fireplace to dry.

History casts a dubious eye on this "origin" of the Christmas stocking custom. The spinster probably didn't have a stocking—not in the fourth century.

Knitted form-fitting hosiery was unknown until the thirteenth century. Earlier, people wrapped cloth or rags around their feet as substitute for modern stockings.

Even after William Lee invented the stocking frame, a more efficient method of production, in the late 1500's, it was some time before the poor could afford to buy stockings.

History makes one concession to the legend tellers. Paintings from Pompeii show that early Romans did wear some form of stockings, even before the birth of Christ.



GREETINGS

It's really a pleasure to greet our many wonderful friends throughout the community with cheery wishes for a happy holiday season and with sincere thanks for valued patronage.

Givens Texaco
C. J., Jolene, Merle and Kay Givens

Dolls, Dolls, Dolls! Each Has Story to Tell

"It's fun to get a doll for Christmas."

This statement comes from a real authority, who is a former Marine, a world traveler and international airline executive — and who is also a man who has more dolls than almost anybody except Santa Claus!

Collector Samuel F. Pryor is the founder of the International Doll Library in Greenwich, Conn., where more than 8,000 dolls are gathered in fabulous variety.

Begun in 1953 when he inherited 300 dolls from a friend, the still-growing collection includes hundreds of dolls searched out by Mr. Pryor himself, and it has also been augmented by gifts from some of the thousands of visitors to the Doll Library — hence Mr. Pryor's personal knowledge that a doll under the Christmas tree is truly a source of delight.

The Doll Library, so named because every doll has a story to tell, is attractively housed in a 1792 barn, remodeled to provide appropriate settings for the dolls. Visits to the Doll Library are by appointment only.

Here, there are antique dolls, historic dolls, craft dolls, religious dolls, dolls of every land and every era. The dolls indeed have much to tell to the serious student of world history and world civilization.

But to Mr. Pryor, the important thing about the dolls is that they are objects of affection — cherished by little girls waiting for Santa, and by everyone who loves dolls, to play with and admire.

Along with their legacy of love, the dolls bring a record of mankind's ingenuity.

Among the antique dolls in Mr. Pryor's collection is a 19th-century beauty who turns her head, flutters her eyelids, heaves her bosom and plays a lyre, to the tune of a hidden music box.

Many other dolls in the Pryor collection make it plain that mechanical accomplishments are by no means limited to the dolls of today. For instance, a group of early American dolls includes the "Auto-peripatetikos"—a walking doll patented in 1862.

Another kind of ingenuity is manifest in the craft dolls, lovingly fashioned by thoughtful hands from virtually any and every convenient material — pen wipers, shells, newspapers, wishbones, sponges, corn cobs, pine cones, pipecleaners, clay pipes, even an old potato masher.

Among them are "Mr. and Mrs. Crab," dolls with faces made from crab claws. These do-it-yourself dolls were featured in "Godey's Lady's Book" for May 1867, with illustrations of Mr. and Mrs. Crab and "how to" instructions.

Among the Library's little inhabitants, dolls of other lands form a miniature United Nations. A turbaned Brazilian dancer, a Spanish matador with cape and sword, a Japanese geisha, a Belgian lady, a German tourist, an Arabian desert prince, an Argentinian gaucho — the list is seemingly endless.

Differences may divide nations — but not in the Doll Library. Mr. Pryor's dolls get an opportunity to enact the holiday spirit of peace and good will, all year. As a pastime, he likes to bring dolls of many nations together in friendly groups.



DOLLS AND CHRISTMAS GO TOGETHER — and this doll with her golden curls and golden harp seems to symbolize the happiness of the season. She's one of more than 8,000 dolls in the Samuel F. Pryor International Doll Library*, Greenwich, Conn. *The Doll Library may be visited by appointment only.

HART CAMP HAPPENINGS

MRS. EDWIN OLIVER
Ph. 262-4242 Fieldton

Sunday evening at 7 p. m. a Christmas program was presented at the Baptist Church. Mrs. Elma Burleson had charge of the arrangements. A program featuring the youth choir led by the music director, Kerwin Oliver, was presented. The program title was "Why the Chimes Rang" and narrator was Blanton Martin. Others in the presentation other than the choir were Ed Kinsky, D. R. Leonard, Edwin Oliver, Edward Kinsky, Ricky Parkey, LaVon Parkey, Mrs. Ed Kinsky and Paul, Mrs. D. R. Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Lynch and Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Foster.

Visitors attending the program were Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Douglas of Littlefield, Mr. and Mrs. King, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Clarke, Miss Shirley Johnson, Olton, Mrs. Kerwin Oliver, Spade, Mrs. Gerry Langford and Kathy and Mrs. Don Miller.

James Overman is back in the Littlefield Hospital. He spent a few days there two weeks ago but had gone back to work at the Hart Camp CoOp Gin for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Wheeler visited last Thursday in Lubbock with their son and family. Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Wheeler and children.

David Metcalf is in New Jersey at Ft. Dix enroute home from his stay in the army. He and his wife, Myra Dell, spent several months in Munich, Germany. Mrs. Metcalf returned home three weeks ago and is staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wells. The Metcalf's will live in Springlake when he arrives home.

Mrs. Elma Burleson and daughter, Lajuana, Mrs. D. R. Leonard and daughter, Brenda and Sharon Hendrick all attended the Homemaking Style Show presented by the Homemaking I and III students Tuesday night at the school cafeteria. The theme of the style show was "Winter Wardrobe".

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Massey and children moved last week from North Spade where he had worked at the gin this fall.

Kathy Langford missed several days of school last week because of a severe cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Kerwin Oliver of Spade visited Sunday night in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Oliver and Debbie.

Olton choir students from Hart Camp who participated in the Choir Program Sunday afternoon in the Olton High School Auditorium were Diana Stewart, Kimmie Foster, Greg Burleson, Bryan Muller, Kathy Langford, Donna Muller, Debbie Oliver, Teresa Neeley, Cindy Neinst, Pam Foster and Wance Neeley. Parents attending were Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Neinst, Mr. and Mrs. Don Muller, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Muller, Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Foster, Mrs. Elma Burleson, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Neeley, Mrs. George Stewart, and Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Langford.

For Feasting

Good food is traditional at Christmas, and the special treats provided for the season include almost everything, ranging from baked carp in Austria to roast pig in Hawaii.

In France, it's traditional to serve a Christmas supper after midnight mass, but the main dish varies according to the section of the country — roast goose in Alsace, turkey in Burgundy, oysters and sausages in Paris.

England has a mouth-watering array of traditional dishes for Christmas feasting, among them plum pudding. As the pudding is being prepared, it's customary for each member of the family to stir it, making a wish for the New Year.

In Germany, the people bake long cakes for Christmas. The cakes are meant to symbolize the Christ Child wrapped in swaddling clothes.

Operation Deathwatch Slated For Holidays

Col. Homer Garrison Jr., director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, said today that DPS Statistical Services has estimated 55 persons may die in traffic mishaps over the Christmas weekend.

Garrison said that the com-

bined efforts of state and local police agencies and private traffic safety support organizations will be directed toward keeping the traffic toll below the estimate.

"Operation Deathwatch will be in effect from 6 p. m. Friday, December 22 through 11:59 p. m. Monday, December 25," said Garrison. "During this period we will make every effort to inform each motorist of the need for attention to safe driving. For the first time in many years the uniformed services of the Department are at almost full strength, and every highway patrolman will be on duty as much as possible. In addition, we will have about 250 men from other uniformed services of the DPS who will supplement the highway patrol force doing patrol duty."

Traffic deaths will be tabulated and the totals announced three times daily to the news media from DPS headquarters in Austin.

It has also been estimated that 45 persons will be killed in traffic accidents over the New Year's weekend. The "Deathwatch" will resume at 6 p. m. Friday, December 29 and continue through 11:59 p. m. Monday, January 1, 1968.

Last year 50 persons lost their lives in traffic over the Christmas weekend, and 39 were killed over New Year's weekend.

Cooperating with the DPS in its efforts are the Texas Safety Association, The Texas Highway Department, the Texas Motor Transportation Association, the Texas Railroad Association and the Texas Association of Broadcasters.



SANTA CLAUS was visited by young and young at heart while in Olton Saturday. Max Malone gets in his bid for his Christmas goodies.



glad tidings

Christmas holds a special joy! May it come your way, and bring peace and happiness to all those dear to you, in the glad spirit of this holy Day.

Higginbotham-Bartlett Co.

VISIT MILLERS
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Miller had as guests Wednesday Miller's mother and sister, Mrs. Z. Z. Miller, 95 and Mrs. Era Teague of Spade.

VISITS DAUGHTER
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Henderson of Garland formerly of Olton were recent guests of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Huckabee.

Greetings
Sincere thanks and best wishes to our many friends and patrons.

Glenn W. Exter Life Ins.

GREETINGS
'Tis the season to thank you for your patronage and extend best wishes for an old-fashioned holiday.

Olton Bakery

As We Begin
OUR THIRD YEAR - - -

S E A S O N S

To Our Friends and Customers,
We are indeed happy to begin our third year serving you and your needs.
We hope to continue to offer you the best in sales and service in the future.

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Christmas Greetings

As the holiday season unfolds with all its merriment and magic, we send greetings in the good old-fashioned spirit of "dashing through the snow in a one-horse open sleigh," and wish you many memorable delights. To all our friends and customers, our hearty thanks for a year of good will.

Sorley Supply



SANTA and his reindeer came to Olton Saturday and children were taken on sleigh rides. Olton man winter put a blanket of snow down to the delight of the children.

Artistic Views Reflect 'Winter Wonderland'

In Bethlehem, it's the rainy season.

In Hawaii, Santa Claus might arrive by boat, and Christmas could be celebrated on a sunny beach. In Australia, Christmas is a time for picnicking — it's summer "down under."

Even in Northern lands, December 25th does not always provide the pleasures of a "white Christmas."

In spite of the varying climates where Christmas is observed, and in spite of the frequent shortage of ice and snow at the appropriate time, the traditional image of Christmas is, and probably always will be, a wintry, snowy landscape — celebrated in song and story, pictured in countless paintings.

The countryside under a blanket of snow, the hillside drifted deep in white, the trees bent down with snow or crystal-bright with ice, the lakes, rivers and streams gleaming in ice-covered magnificence — these are favorite themes in holiday lore, and favorite dreams for all those who spend Christmas cozily among the conveniences of modern centrally-heated buildings and modern transportation.

The "winter wonderland" of ice and snow has been a frequent source of inspiration for artists. There's a wealth of winter landscape paintings that, although not directly associated with Christmas, seem to set the mood and reflect the spirit of the season.

In 16th and 17th century Holland, for instance, a whole tradition of landscape painting was devoted solely to depicting winter scenes — somewhat unusual since the winter weather of Holland is not especially cold.

FEATURES ROBIN

One of the first Christmas cards ever published, a small (two by three-and-a-half inches) greeting printed in London in 1862 by Goodall and Son, features a robin presiding over a pastoral winter scene, framed by paper lace.



Illustration from the Bettman Archive

BECAUSE CHRISTMAS IS TRADITIONALLY A WINTER WONDERLAND, paintings such as "Winter Scene" by the Flemish artist Hendrik Avercamp seem to capture the mood and reflect the spirit of the holiday season. Avercamp devoted his talents to depicting the winter landscapes of Holland. This painting, which is in the Rijks Museum, Amsterdam, appears in the Grolier Book of Art, a 10-volume encyclopedia.

For admirers of art and merry skaters, for an ideal blending of the cold weather and warm spirit of a winter holiday.

Of Avercamp's personal history, little is known. Records show that he was baptized in Amsterdam in January 1585, and buried at Kampen in 1634. His painting was influenced by the Flemish landscape tradition and particularly by Pieter Bruegel the Elder — a painter whose fascination with the winter scene did much to

shape his landscape style.

The snow-covered hillsides seen in the work of the elder Pieter Bruegel contrast strangely with the flat, icy terrain of his native Holland. The explanation is to be found in travels which took him to mountainous lands.

Bruegel became a master in the Antwerp painters' guild in 1551, and shortly afterward journeyed to France and Italy, says the Grolier Book of Art.

In 1554 he returned from Rome to the Netherlands, re-crossing the Alps on his way. The mountains and scenery of Italy made an immense impression on him, as reflected in the drawings he made at the time.

More than the "contemporary" Italian art, those mountainous vistas influenced his landscape style — and ultimately inspired Avercamp and other Flemish painters of the ever-wonderful winter scene.



Baking the Pie

"The devil dares not show himself in Cornwall at Christmas time lest he should be baked in a pie."

This old English saying takes its humorous inspiration from the wide variety of ingredients actually used in the mince pies and other Christmas pies of early England, according to the editors of The New Book of Knowledge.

One 14th-century recipe for a Christmas pie included: a pheasant, a hare, a capon, two partridges, two pigeons, two rabbits, beef meat balls, eggs, pickled mushrooms, seasonings and spices, all in a pastry crust.

In Turkey

A unique holiday tradition in Turkey requires the head of the church to throw a wooden cross into the Bosphorus. On Christmas Day, three boys dive after it.

The finder takes the cross from house to house and receives in return food and gifts from those who are allowed to see the cross.

GREETINGS

May the spirit of Christmas present bring you everlasting joy and good cheer. We take pride in your friendship and sincerely appreciate your loyalty to us.

Howard Hall Insurance Agency

Christians Celebrate Holiday With Joy and Prayer

In church services this Christmas season, Christians everywhere gather to commemorate the miracle of a holy night nearly 2,000 years ago. The message of Christmas lives anew — in candlelight and carols, in pageants and prayers.

Joyfully, the happiness of Christmas finds expression in music and song. Choirs sing the praises of the Babe of Bethlehem, and sacred hymns and carols reflect the spirit of rejoicing. Even as the herald angels sang to shepherds long ago, so now exultant voices join in proclaiming the Birth of Christ, with "on earth peace, good will toward men."

"And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us."

"And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger." — Luke 2:15-16

Along with the joyous exultation, there is a spirit of thankful humility in celebration of this holy Day. In both church and private devotions, Christians ponder anew the word of the Christmas story, as it was told by two of His disciples, Matthew and Luke. It is read and re-read, remembered and reflected upon. And it is beheld, symbolically, in Nativity scenes that, by treasured tradition, recreate the manger of His birth.

Prayerfully, each congregation and each individual celebrates Christmas, keeping always in memory that the glory of His coming was first revealed to humble shepherds, and that the Holy Child was born in a simple manger. Worshipers give thanks to God, for the Miracle and its meaning.

"And when they were come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down, and worshipped Him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts, gold, and frankincense, and myrrh." — Matthew 2:11

The Wise Men, says St. Matthew, followed a Star to seek and find the Babe of Bethlehem. Their joy at beholding Him, and their precious gifts in homage, express much of the wonder and majesty of the Christmas story, as it is envisioned today. Yet in those gifts was a prophecy, a poignant reminder of the sacred solemnity, the highest meaning of Christmas.

Gold was a precious treasure, fitting gift for the newborn King. Frankincense, an ingredient of incense, expressed the legendary belief that "incense owns a deity night."

The third gift was in sad token of great sorrow to come. Myrrh, used by the ancients in funeral rites, symbolized Christ's own supreme gift of life and foretold His death upon the Cross.

At the manger, there was the shadow of Calvary. Thus Christmas is celebrated, joyfully, prayerfully, solemnly, with dedication to its sacred meaning: The Child born in a manger was the Son of God, destined to take up the burdens of mankind and bear them to the Cross, where He died that the spirit of man might live forever.

In California

Communities as well as countries have their own special way of celebrating Christmas.

In Joshua Tree, Calif., this small community transforms itself into a replica of Bethlehem. The story of the first Christmas is re-enacted, with the main street serving as a giant stage.

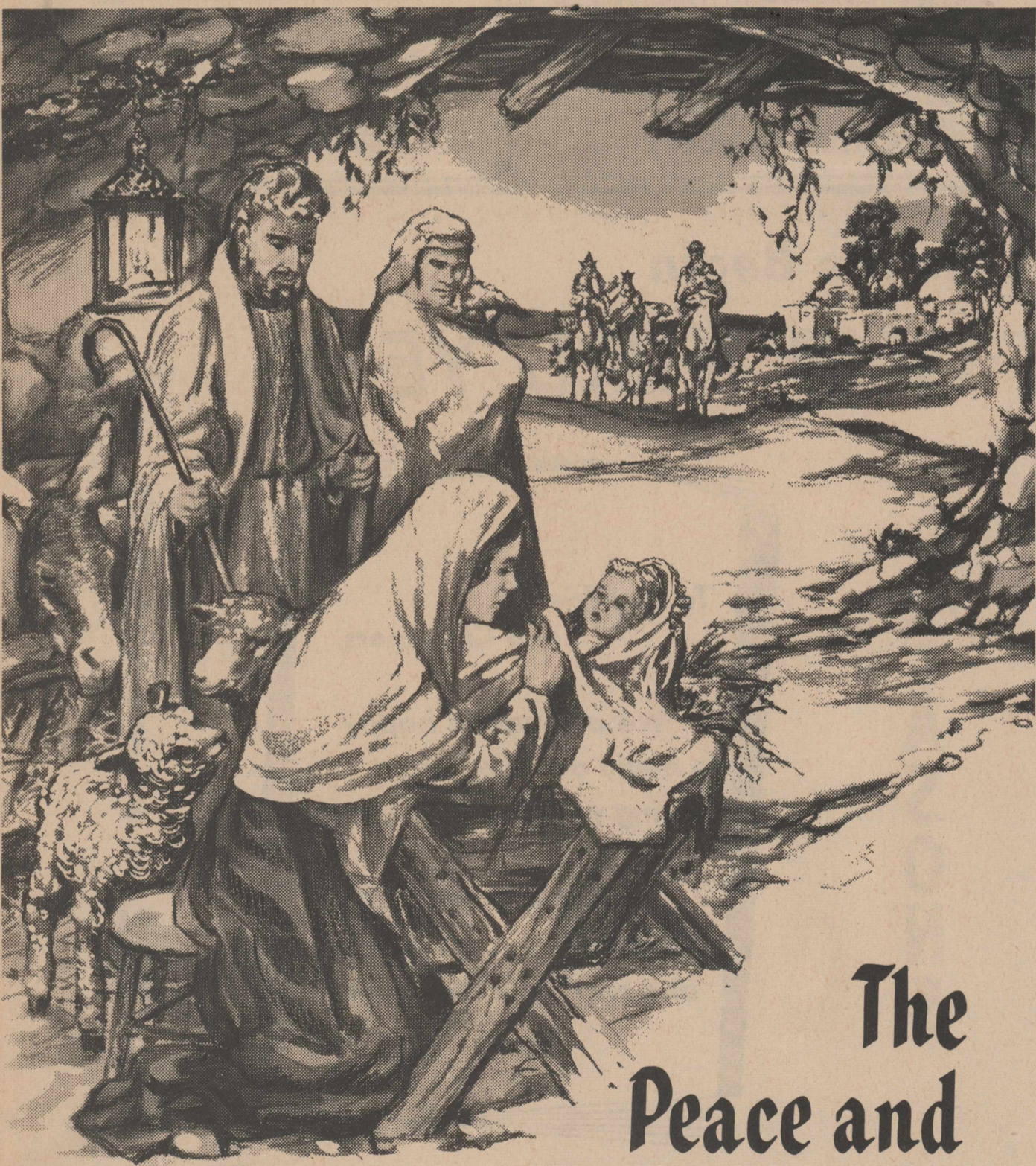
In Newfoundland

Citizens of Newfoundland show their Christian ethics with the Christmas custom known as "Fishing for the Church." On this day huge quantities of fish are caught and brought by the parishioners of a village to the church, where they are sold. Proceeds of the sale go toward buying firewood for the curate.

In Czechoslovakia

It's customary among the Czechs to break off a cherry tree branch, at the beginning of Advent. The branch is placed in a pot of water in the kitchen and kept in the warm air.

At Christmas time, it's hoped, the twig will burst into bloom and make a festive decoration.



The Peace and Promise of Christmas

Humble shepherds and mighty kings gave witness to the wondrous event of the birth of the Christ Child, and knew the great joy and peace that fills every heart on Christmas Day. May this gladness and contentment remain with you and those near and dear to you, enriching your lives in fullest measure.

OLTON GRAIN CO-OP



We join Santa's Yuletide song, wishing you a Happy Holiday season and expressing sincere thanks for your patronage.

Duncan's 5 & 10¢



MERRY CHRISTMAS

To our host of good friends, we send holiday wishes, with appreciation for your loyalty and good will.

In order to give our employees more time with their families we will be closed Dec. 25 & 26. We will open for business Dec. 27.

Armistead & Burke

Museum Features Holiday Exhibit

"Holiday Time" is the theme of the current exhibit in the Rotunda Gallery of West Texas Museum on the Texas Tech campus. Assembled by the Fine Arts Committee of the Women's Council of the West Texas Museum Association, the exhibit features Christmas decorations, paintings, wall hangings and other works of art with a holiday motif.

A colorful tree festooned with giant paper flowers is part of the display. A larger tree, hung with Hopi Kachina dolls and Indian "God's eyes" greets visitors upon arrival in the rotunda.

The Museum is open daily from 9 a. m. - 5 p. m. and on Sundays from 2-5 p. m. Holiday hours begin Friday, December 22. The Museum will be open daily from 2-5 p. m. until January 2, with the exception of Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, and New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.



OLTON PRESENTS-- Roselle Johnston, five years old, holds her baby brother, Brian Douglas Johnston. Pictured to the right is Loren Glen Johnston, two and one-half years of age. They are the children of Marty and W. D. Johnston of Dulce, N. M. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Glen Singletary.



Carol Can Be Tongue-Twister

"On the first day of Christmas, my true love sent to me a partridge in a pear tree."

So begins "The Twelve Days of Christmas," a traditional and favorite song of the holiday season. The ballad tells the story of the gifts a lover sends to his lady on each of the 12 days from Christmas to Epiphany.

The first gift, a partridge in a pear tree, may have been inspired by an old drinking song, "A Pie sat on a Pear Tree," say the editors of The New Book of Knowledge.

As a ballad, "The Twelve Days of Christmas" is an example of the "number chain formula" in folk songs. As a carol, it is of the type that marked the change from formal hymns in Latin to musical poems in the vernacular of the people.

The song can be sung in a variety of ways. In Great Britain and the United States, it often becomes a game song in which each person, following a leader in repetitions, must pay a forfeit if he misses a line. Sometimes the descriptions of the gifts turn into mouth-defying tongue twisters!

People Plus Problems Add Holiday Lore

Friends who visited the Robert Reilly home last December got a real Christmas surprise. In this Grants Pass, Ore., household, the Christmas tree "grew" out of the ceiling — or at least, was suspended there, upside down.

Will it start a trend? Will more and more families hang their Christmas trees from the ceiling? Only time can tell!

Christmas customs start with people and, often, with problems. In the case of the upside-down Christmas tree, the problem was, "Where to put the tree?" and the humorous solution was reached when the family just couldn't decide.

ditions had their legendary beginnings in the inventive reaction of people to problems, large or small.

Take plum pudding, for example — as many people do at Christmastime! The very first plum pudding was an answer to adversity, so legend says.

Lore and Legend Express Happy Mood of Season

From home to home, from country to country, Yule celebrations abound. The happy traditions of gift giving, home decorating, carol singing, card sending, candle lighting and tree trimming express the merriment of the season.

Popular folk customs of nation after nation have been absorbed into the international legend and lore of the Yuletide. Yet virtually every nation — and every home and family, too — has its special way of celebrating Christmas, and its special memories of Christmas past.

Carrying in Straw

Straw is a traditional part of Christmas celebrations in Sweden — in probable remembrance of the first Christmas when there was straw in the manger.

While "carrying in the Christmas straw" is a tradition rather than a modern custom, Swedish people still make straw and wooden figures to hang on their Christmas trees.

"San Tan Lou Yin"

In Hong Kong, Santa Claus goes by the name of "San Tan You Lin."

The Hong Kong department

In Finland

Just before Christmas Day, families in Finland take a sauna bath. This is the traditional steam bath taken in a hut with a stone oven.

stores employ elderly men who are specially costumed for the season. Just like Santa Claus, San Tan You Lin is present for the purpose of holding the youngsters on his knee and listening to their requests for gifts.

Log Had Charms

In ancient Germany, the Yule log was known as the "Christbrand." One belief held that if the charred log was placed in a cornbin, it would act as a charm to ward off mice.

If the weather turned stormy, the Christbrand was quickly brought back to the fire. While it burned, superstition said, the house was safe from lightning.

Going "Mumming"

"Mumming" is a Yule custom that originated in early England. Mummers, masked and in costume, silently enacted ritual plays about the death of winter and the old year.

The custom still survives in some parts of the world, although the plays are no longer performed. Today mummers usually entertain with dancing and instrumental music. They are rewarded with treats.

Yule Customs Reveal Many Variations

Cherished memories, heartfelt joys, children's laughter — everywhere, these mean Christmas.

The spirit of Christmas knows no boundaries. It lives in the hearts of men in many lands. Though its message of joy is always the same, the legends and lore of the season are as varied as the peoples who celebrate the Holy Birth.

Customs of each country may be similar, yet marked by their own individual character.

In New Mexico

The Santa Domingo Indian pueblo, in New Mexico, performs a four-day-long sacred ritual dance in honor of the Christmas season.

It begins at two A.M. Christmas day. After midnight mass, the Indians gather inside the church. They are clad in colorful costumes, adorned with everything from fox tails to evergreen branches.

The dancers carry on their ceremonials until daylight. At dawn the Indians move to their sacred plaza in the center of the village, where they continue dancing throughout Christmas day.

On the second day the children dance, and the older members of the tribe take over for the third day. On the last day the entire pueblo joins in the day-long ceremonies.

In Iceland

Since trees are scarce in Iceland, families must use their ingenuity in creating a Christmas tree. A pole with branches of greenery tied to it is the solution in many Icelandic homes. And the valuable real trees are saved for industrial use.

In Norway

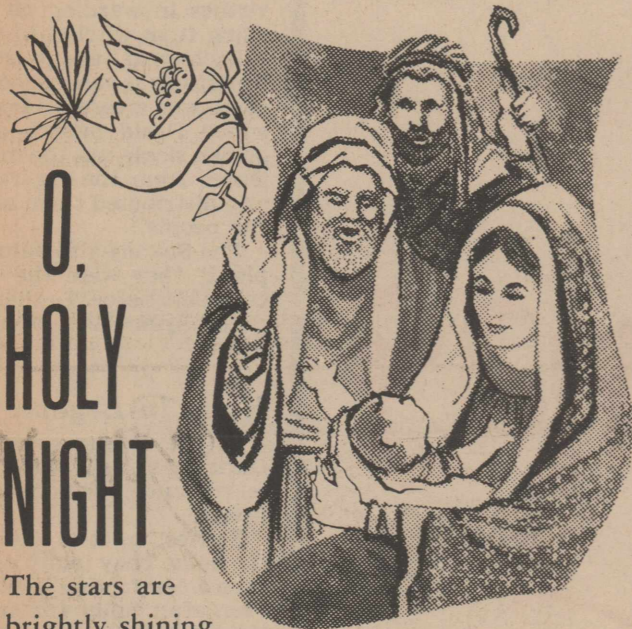
The Norwegian Christmas traditionally starts six months before December 24th. The celebration itself lasts three weeks. The period is known as the Julafred, or the Peace of Christmas.

GUESTS FROM CANYON

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Chitwood, Mark and Kay of Canyon were guests Saturday and Saturday night of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Chitwood.

VISITING WOODS

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wood of Greenwood, Ark. are visiting his father, G. H. Wood and Mr. and Mrs. V. G. Wood, brother and sister-in-law of Clyde Wood. Accompanying were son Ronnie, who has been on leave from service in Viet Nam. He left Monday by flight from Lubbock to Pacific Coast to return to Viet Nam.



O, HOLY NIGHT

The stars are brightly shining . . . it is the night of the dear Saviour's birth. Joyous season's greetings to one and all at Christmastide.

Connell's Office Supply

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Glad Tidings for Christmas

In the hush of a Holy Night, Christ was born, bringing glad tidings of Peace and Good Will to all men. May the joy of His message surround you and yours.

Walter's Department Store

WALTER and MAE STRUVE

MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS

Merry Christmas? At home and abroad, the problems and the crises of our changing world may, at times, seem to weigh too heavily upon us to permit the traditional pleasures of a carefree, light-hearted holiday season. Yet, throughout history, the spirit of man has prevailed over adversity, going forth once again toward the shimmering goal of peace and good will.

Because of man and his spirit, a modern Christmas can indeed be merry, in the promise of challenges well met, new horizons attained. Thus we say with sincerity, "Merry Christmas!" May this holiday symbolize for you the enduring joys of family and friends, the delights of giving and receiving, the blessings of hope and happiness.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS



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Humble shepherds left their flocks in the fields that holy night, and sought the Babe whose birth angels had proclaimed unto them. They beheld him lying in a manger in the City of David, wrapped in swaddling clothes.

And from the East, following the brilliant Star, Wise Men came to adore, and to offer precious gifts to the newborn King.

Today, nations and peoples share in that first Christmas, in its boundless hope and its promise of peace, with joyous celebrations. May you and your loved ones keep the spirit of this holy season always in your hearts, perpetuating its strength and comfort.

Yule Greens
Set Scene
For Festivity

From the welcoming wreath on the door to the Christmas tree glowing with lights and bedecked with packages, from the cheery poinsettia plant on the mantel or table to the sprig of mistletoe with its promises of kisses and laughter, greens and plants set the scene for holiday enjoyment.

Many of the greens now used for Christmas decorations once adorned pagan rites, and were credited by the ancients with certain mystical powers and virtues.

Today, using greens has become holiday custom, regardless of religious or symbolic significance.

About Trees

Perhaps the most common use of holiday greens is seen in the lively, decorated Christmas tree found in many homes at this time of year.

There are many legends concerning the origin of Christmas trees. One belief is that the first Christmas tree was a palm tree brought from Egypt. The 12 parts of the palm were supposed to represent the 12 apostles, according to the editors of the Encyclopedia Americana.

The use of pine and cedar Yule trees is generally thought to be of German derivation. The introduction of the evergreen Christmas tree came to English-speaking peoples after the marriage of Victoria of England to the German prince, Albert.

Mistletoe Magic

Ancient followers of the Druid religion were the first to regard mistletoe as a sacred plant, say the editors of The New Book of Knowledge. They supposed it to have panacean virtues in warding off everything from witches to disease.

Each year, about the time Christmas is celebrated today, there was a ceremonial rite in which Druid priests, using a golden sickle, cut the mistletoe leaves from the "sacred oak" and distributed them amongst the people.

The Saxons also valued this plant; they were the first to call it mistletoe. To them, mistletoe symbolized everlasting peace.

Holly in Legend

In the legend and lore of Christmas, holly has both a merry and melancholy significance.

Fairies, so it is said, loved the holly. They found its leaves such a comforting shelter that even after holly was cut from the trees, they lingered about, allowing themselves to be carried indoors, where they protected the home from evil spirits.

Later, Christian believers saw the thorny leaves and bright red berries of the holly as symbols of the Crown of Thorns and the sacrifice which the Christ Child, grown to manhood, made on Calvary.

Symbolizing Victory

In legend, the laurel and the bay have told the story of victory and triumph since the days of ancient Greece.

Ivy was the convivial green of pagan holidays, and was supposed to express the joyousness of Bacchus. The yew and the cyprus symbolize eternal life.

No Christmas!

"Hear ye, hear ye! Christmas will not be celebrated. All who observe that abominable day will be severely punished!"

An unlikely message for a town crier? Not in the time of Oliver Cromwell!

Cromwell and his Puritan Party did indeed consider Christmas an "abominable day," and on December 24, 1653, they succeeded in getting the English Parliament to pass a law making Christmas celebrations of any kind illegal.

Imprisonment or exile was the penalty for disobedience.

A few days before Christmas, town criers went through the streets warning against holiday celebrations.

In England, the ban lasted eight years — and even longer in the United States. The belief that Christmas merry-making was sinful came to the New World with the Pilgrims.

New England states outlawed Christmas observances until the middle of the nineteenth century. In Boston, for instance, Christmas was illegal until 1856!

In Scandinavia

The Jultomten is a friendly gnome, who not only brings gifts to Scandinavian children but guards the household and farm as well. To keep him happy, the children give the cattle extra fodder and leave sheaves of grain for the birds on Christmas Eve.