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KC Hounds Named To All-District 7-A Team

Seven Knox City Greyhounds were chosen to first team district honors, with one being named to both first team offense and defense, four making second team, and three being named honorable mention during a November 29 selection by District 7-A coaches.

District team members were selected on this late November date; however, names could not be released until District 7-A representative, the Haskell Indians, finished their season which came to a close Friday night after suffering a defeat by China Spring, 13-7, in the Class A semi-final contest.

Named to both first team offense and defense was Knox City senior Jimmy Rushing, who was named first team back and also first team linebacker.

Other teammates on first team offense were Dwayne Johnson, junior quarterback, and James (Skipper) Jackson, senior guard.

First team defensive members in addition to Rushing were David Walling, senior secondary; Terry Watson, junior down lineman; Joe Alsides, senior down lineman; and David Counts, senior end.

Second team members on offense are Kyle White, junior tackle; David Counts, senior tight end; and Joe Gutierrez, senior back. Making the second team on defense was Domingo Garcia, senior secondary.

Honorable mention on offense went to Kenny Cornwell, guard, and Tom Roberson, back.

Other first team offensive picks were centers, Gaylon Betts, Quanah; guards, Rufino Escobedo, Haskell; tackles, Giles Kemp, Haskell and Phil Johnson, Munday; tight ends, Alvin Johnson, Aspermont and Larry Welch, Munday; backs, Vonnie Hise, Haskell, and Mark Wallace, Haskell; wide receiver, Doug Michalik, Munday; and kicker, Larry Welch, Munday.

Additional second team offensive team members were centers, Mike Brown, Crowell; guards, Gary Thigpen, Aspermont, and Mike McSpaden, Quanah; tackles, Clif Gibson, Quanah; right ends, Bobby Therwanger, Munday; backs, Isom Murray, Munday and Clay Timmons, Paducah; quarterbacks, David Dickerson, Aspermont and wide receiver, Mike Halton, Quanah.

Other second team defensive members were secondary, Alvin Johnson, Aspermont, Barney Barnett, Quanah, and Doug Michalik, Munday; down linemen, Pito Castaneda, Aspermont, Keith Melton, Quanah, and Johnny Melton and Y. Rameriz, both of Munday; ends, Billy Rekita, Paducah, Keith Sanders, Munday; and linebackers, Monty Mitchell, Aspermont, Cody Bigham, Paducah, and Wayne Mints, Munday.



KNOX CITY MAN Kenneth Lankford, fourth from left, was among those long-service award employees with Amoco Production Company, Levelland District, who were honored November 9 at the Lubbock Club. Pictured, from left, are J.J. Goodwin Jr., administrative supervisor, Levelland District office; C.R. Goad, pumper, Levelland Unit Sub-Area; D.R. Couch, administrative analyst (SG), Levelland District office; Lankford, pumper, Knox City Sub-Area; H.A. Kemp, drilling foreman, Levelland District; A.H. Green, district superintendent, Levelland District office; C.J. Murphy, administrative supervisor, Levelland District office; C.E. Wiginton, pumper, Anton Sub-Area; G.M. Devitt, pumper, Smyer Sub-Area; and L.L. Dunlap, field foreman, Yellowhouse Sub-Area. (Amoco Photo)

KC Man Honored

Kenneth Lankford of Knox City was among the district employees of Amoco Production Company who were honored after completing 30 years of service in 1978. Lankford and his wife, Mary Jo, were among those honored at a dinner of the Levelland District employees at the Lubbock Club on the evening of November 9.

Other honorees in attendance were Bob Couch, Mr. and Mrs. George Devitt, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Dunlap, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Goad, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Goodwin, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kemp, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Murphy, and Mr. and Mrs. Claud Wiginton. Unable to attend were Jake Conaway, Bill Matysiak, and Henry Powell.

In addition to his 30-year service pin, each honoree was presented a gold pen and pencil set in appreciation of his contribution to the Company and its success in this area. White carnation corsages were presented to the employees' wives.

Others attending the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Auburg of Knox City, Whitie Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carter, Randy Couch, Ray Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Al Green, Raymond Kauffman, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Leavelle, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Massie, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Pope, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Sheppard, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wilburn, Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Stewart, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott.

Special guests included R. Wayne Anderson, Regional Employee Relations Manager from Houston, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Staley. Staley is the former Area Superintendent in the Levelland Area and is presently District Superintendent of the newly-formed Hobbs, New Mexico District.

Weather

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Did You Know ...

that Hallie B. Barrington, 4421 Ridgecrest No. 184, Amarillo, Texas 79109 subscribes to The Knox County News?

Stores To Close Christmas Day

Stores will close in observance of Christmas, Monday, December 25, as this is one of the elected holidays chosen by the Chamber of Commerce officials to observe during the year.

Season's Greetings To Everyone

This week's Knox County News is a special Christmas edition with greetings from both merchants and individuals to friends and customers.

The merchants make the special edition possible each year and are extending their sincerest appreciation for your loyal patronage.

Looking forward to serving you in the future, we at the News office join with them in sending you one and all best wishes for the Merriest Christmas ever.

Sales Tax Rebates Are Increasing

AUSTIN - State Comptroller Bob Bullock Thursday said Texas cities will end 1978 receiving more than $424.8 million as their share during the last 12 months of the local option one percent sales tax.

Bullock said that is 17.5 percent more than Texas cities received in 1977.

The totals were included in Bullock's announcement of the December allocation of city sales tax. The state will rebate $74.9 million to some 900 Texas cities as their share of this month's allocations.

The December figures will boost the yearly total about $63.2 million ahead of payments made during 1977.

The City of Knox City received $5,250.74 for this period, as compared to $4,854.34 for the same period last year. 1978 payments to date total $37,702.95, reflecting an increase of nine percent over last year's $34,499.62.

Munday received $6,370.12 for this period, as compared to $5,627.21 for the same period in 1977. Its total to date for the year is $32,677.69, a three percent increase over last year's total of $31,508.75.

Benjamin's total for this period is $384.59 as compared to $673.35 last year for the same period. The yearly total to date is $1,701.93, reflecting a minus 11 percent.

O'Brien received $156.22 for this period, slightly less

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Of KC Native's Murder

Jury Finds Grijalva Guilty

FORT WORTH - David Grijalva, a 5-foot-5 ex-convict from New Mexico, was convicted late Monday of the vicious capital murder of an Amarillo Pizza Hut manager during a $400 robbery January 11, 1977.

The swarthy defendant, 26, did not flinch as the 213th District Court jury ruled he was sane and guilty of killing Knox City native Jeanatte Powers by slashing her throat, smashing her head with a rolling pin and then shoving her head in a dough mixing machine.

Mrs. Powers was the daughter of former Knox City resident Mrs. Jean Ann Coyle of Childress and the late Arville Coyle. Her grandmother is Mrs. Roy Smith, a Knox City resident, and her sister, Mrs. Terry (Sally) Keener, also resides in Knox City.

Judge Tom Cave directed jurors to return to court at 9:00 a.m. Tuesday to begin the final phase of the trial, which could end in the Gallup, New Mexico, native's being sent to Death Row to await execution by lethal injection.

The three-woman, nine-man panel made its return about $2^{3}/_{4}$ hours after beginning deliberations following closing arguments that centered around the controversial testimony of Grijalva's ex-wife, Kathy Sutton, and his sanity.

Miss Sutton, an admitted liar and heroin addict at age 15, testified pulling a robbery was Grijalva's idea but said she decided to rob the Pizza Hut where she formerly worked, borrowed a faulty pistol for Grijalva to use and accompanied him on the robbery.

She did not, however, admit to any responsibility for what happened to Mrs. Powers, 30, who was asleep in a side booth when the robbery began and was slain apparently when she awoke and recognized Grijalva and Miss Sutton.

Miss Sutton got a ten-year probated sentence after pleading guilty to a robbery charge and agreeing to testify against Grijalva.

Prosecutors Dick Stokes and Dale Hanna indicated to jurors in closing arguments that Miss Sutton was not the most savory of state witnesses who testified during the trial.

"I won't defend ' · in a second," Hanna said, picking up the goriest of a series of photographs of Mrs. Powers' mutilated head and saying he was uncertain if justice was done in Miss Sutton's case.

"This is reality," Hanna argued. "Justice is one thing, but his is reality."

He pointed directly at Grijalva as he spoke.

Defense attorney Dean Roper similarly began with barbed comments about Miss Sutton.

"She is on trial here today," Roper said, "based on the charge of this court."

In the judge's unusual

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CRAIG BROTHERS
...honored

Brothers Named To Who's Who

SNYDER - Craig Brothers of O'Brien has been named to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges for 1978-79 at Western Texas College.

Brothers, an auto mechanics major, was graduated from Knox City High School. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.O. Brothers.

In his spare time, Brothers enjoys working with wood and metal and cross-country motorcycle riding. He plans to work as a mechanic after completing his current program at WTC, and may continue his education as well.

Students are nominated for Who's Who honors on the basis of academic achievement, leadership in extracurricular activities, service to the community, and future potential.

Local Students Win District Awards

Knox City took several honors during the Oilbelt District FFA Awards banquet held Thursday night of last week in Throckmorton.

Twenty area schools were represented at the event where students were recognized for their efforts.

Knox City High School senior Sonia Carter won the talent contest for the second consecutive year while the Knox City FFA Chapter was named as one of the outstanding chapters.

Also recognized was the first place radio team of Jay Rutherford, Brenda Albus, and Kelley Boone. Knox City also placed sixth in the Area IV radio team category.

Benjamin placed third in the junior farm skills division.

Competing in the district sweetheart event was local chapter sweetheart Angelia Reid, who was among the top five contestants. Winner of the contest was Cherry Thompson of Perrin.

Munday placed first in the FFA Quiz in district and won second in the area.

Rehab Has Long List Of Stars

ABILENE - Twenty crisp $100 bills were presented to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center Wednesday of last week.

And a huge celebrity list for the Rehab '79 telethon has been announced, including Rex Allen, Rex Allen Jr., Jimmy Dean, Shari Lewis, Larry Gatlin, Slim Pickins, Grant Teaff, Sammi Smith, and many others.

Mrs. Alva H. Wilson made the $2,000 gift at the board's monthly meeting.

She said she had read in the newspaper that Shelley Smith (executive director) needed $1,900 to qualify for a grant to get a brace project underway.

The money "is really a memorial to my husband. We would have been married 52 years last September," she said. But she earmarked it for the brace project, so Smith could get the grant, she said. She read scriptures from the Bible, Luke 16:19-21 before she handed over the bills saying, "The Lord laid it on my heart to do this."

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Clay Hewitt - Christmas '78

Merry Christmas Everyone!

We hope the holidays ring in the best of everything for you!
At this joyous time, we'd like to take the opportunity to thank you for your loyal patronage throughout the past year—we look forward to serving you again in the years to come.

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Miscellaneous For Sale

MINNOWS, Bass, Crappie and Trotline Minnows, Stink Bait, Shrimp, Worms now available at The Country Store, .2 miles east of City Cafe, Mrs. L.D. (Irene) Sanderson. 12-14 tfc

FOR THE MAN who has everything - A battery operated pencil sharpener by Park Sherman. Priced at only $8.00 (batteries not included). See them today at The Knox County News.

NEED A birthday cake? Call Belinda Harrison after 4:00 p.m. (817) 658-3796. 11-9 8tp

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FOR SALE -- Sturdy seed wheat, $4.00 bushel. Edwin L. Fly, Rochester, (817) 743-3408. 10-5 tfc

HAY FOR SALE - Walter Rauch, 658-3440. 6-15 tfc

FOR SALE - Baled Sudan Hay. Buy in field and save. David Counts, 658-3211 or 658-3596. 10-12 tfc

THE LADIES will delight in the beautiful Cross pen sets available at The Knox County News. Reasonably priced. Remember them with these on Christmas Day. 12-14 1tc

WATKINS PRODUCTS for sale by Study Club. For information contact Mrs. J.C. McGee, 658-3432; Mrs. Ottis Cash, 658-3777; and Mrs. Sammy White, 658-3203. 11-23 8tp

FOR SALE - Hammond Organ in excellent condition. Lynn Tankersley. Call 658-3367 after 4:30 p.m. 12-21 2tp

COCKER SPANIEL Puppies for sale for Christmas. See Gentry Day or call 658-3270. 12-15 1tp

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KNOX COUNTY HISTORY - Indexed, $15.60 plus $1.00 mailing. Available now at Citizens State Bank in Knox City or write Knox County History, Truscott, Texas 79260. 12-21 6tc

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DON'T MISS today's special notice section! 12-21 1tc

Real Estate

RESIDENTIAL

LARGE 2-bedroom house, kitchen, living room, 1 bath, carport, rock fence, 3 pecan trees, You will not believe how nice this house is inside until you see it. 1107 South 3rd.

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★ GOOD - SMALL HOUSE - Reasonably priced, 502 North Second.

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★ EXCELLENT 3-acre tract. East edge of O'Brien on FM. 2 bedroom, kitchen, dining room, 1 bath. Good buy. Hazel Clark place.

COMMERCIAL

BEAUTY SHOP building in Rochester. Would make a great lake cabin. Will sell to move or with lot. Good buy.

BOB'S SHOE SHOP in Haskell. Large main building, 2-bedroom house, 6 small buildings. Some rented at this time. Lots of sq. ft. 1½ acres of land. $28,000.

INVESTMENT REAL ESTATE - Texaco Service Station with 36,000 gallon storage. Good location. Priced to sell.

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TWO BEDROOM old frame house for sale in Benjamin with four lots. Partially furnished. $2500. For more information, contact The Knox County News office, 658-3142. 12-13 2tc

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FOR RENT - 3-bedroom house. D & D Rentals, 658-3262. 10-19 tfc

FOR SALE - Three bedroom house in Benjamin. Phone (817) 454-2051. 7-13 tfc

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KILLEN M. MOORE
TRUSTEE

DID YOU KNOW that Bob Harrison will be 50 years old Tuesday, December 26?

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF BRUCE B. CAMPBELL, SR.

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Bruce B. Campbell, Sr. were issued on December 4, 1978, in Cause No. 1692, pending in the County Court of Knox County, Texas, to:

City National Bank in Wichita Falls.

The residence of such Executor is Wichita County, Texas. The post office address is: P.O. Drawer 60, Wichita Falls, Texas 76307.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the Twelfth day of December, 1978.

GIBSON, DARDEN AND HOTCHKISS
912 City National Building
Wichita Falls, Texas 76301
By FRANK GIBSON,
Attorney for
City National Bank in
Wichita Falls,
Administrator With
Will Annexed

REALLY ....

PUBLIC NOTICE

Vera School Building for sale. Building to be torn down, all debris removed from site and land leveled and site left in "cleaned" condition. A performance bond in the amount of $2,000 shall be posted by the person awarded the bid.

Sealed bids will be opened January 8, 1979. Board reserves right to reject all bids. Mail bids to Box 166, Benjamin Public Schools, Benjamin, Texas 79505. For further information, contact Kenneth Roberts phone AC 817 454-2231.

/s/ Kenneth Roberts
Superintendent of Schools
Benjamin Public Schools
12-14 2tc

GOSH! Seems like he ought to be older than that!

Legal Notice

LEGAL NOTICE

The Knox City-O'Brien C.I.S.D. proposes to purchase a plain paper copy machine. Bids are being accepted for opening at the regular meeting January 16, 1979. Specifications may be obtained at the Superintendent's office. The board reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

John L. Grindstaff, Jr.
12-21 1tc Secretary

Card Of Thanks

We would like to thank every one for their prayers, visits, cards, food, flowers and phone calls.

Also a special thanks to Dr. Thompson and the hospital staff for their concern, during our stay in the hospital.

Fred and Bessie McWhorter

"Truly absurd is the man who never changes."
Auguste Barthelmy

Wanted

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Letters To Santa

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I am going to tell you a dirty joke - a white horse fell in the mud.
I want one of those Star Wars things on TV with Darth Vader and R_2D_2 and Luke Skywalker and Princess Leah.
Also, a Lite Brite
I love you Santa.
Goodbye,
Clay

☆☆☆☆☆☆

Dear Santa,
I love you - it was such fun to sit in your lap Saturday. I like to talk about trucks and tractors - you know just the kind little boys like me want. Please remember that Tonka road grader that I showed you.
All the Christmas lights are so pretty and I love to play with the ribbons and wrappings. Thank you Santa. Remember I love you.
Your friend,
Josh Burt

☆☆☆☆☆☆

3167 S. 22nd
Abilene, Texas 79603

Dear Santa,
I am only nine months old and am very excited about my first Christmas.
I would like to have a play house, a musical vacuum cleaner, a love notes doll and a tot-about-car.
I have been a very good little girl.
Please bring all my cousins and friends what they want.
I will be at my MaMa June and Daddy Sam's in Knox City Christmas Eve.
I love you,
Jamie Daniel

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Andrews, Texas
December 1978

Dear Santa
I am a little girl 3 years old. I live in Andrews, Texas. I would like for you to bring me a bicycle with training wheels, and what ever else you want to bring me. Remember all the other little girls and boys too.
I love you
Jodie Nixon
P.S. Santa I will be at my grandparents house The Lynn Tankersley's in Knox City, Texas.

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Dear Santa,
I want some real roller skates - size 12; and a Mickey Mouse Roller Coaster, and a racing car track.
I will leave you some Christmas cookies and milk and a carrot for Rudolph.
I am 5 years old and I tried to be very good.
I love you,
Kandon Wilson
DalShae Sloan

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Hi Santa,
Please bring me some presents and a baby doll. I have been a good girl this year.
Love,
Rita Sanchez

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Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me an upside-down airplane, a brown truck and a horse for Christmas. I would like a fire truck hat, too. I have tried to be good boy this year. My sister, Stephanie Kay, would like a crawling doll.
Love,
Jarred Pepper

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Hi Santa,
I'll tell you what I hope to get for Christmas: a toy rifle, a pistol, a gun and a holster. I would like another toy King Kong if possible and a toy train. Please bring a holster and a gun for my brother Andy. We have been good boys this year. You probably won't be hungry when you get to our house, but I'll pack a lunch and leave it in a sack for you.
Merry Christmas,
Bradley Verhalen

160 Briggs
Beaumont, TX 77707

Dear Santa,
Our names are Annica and Edward Muller and we have tried all year to be very good.
Would you please bring Annica a record player, stove, cabinet, and sink for Christmas and Edward wants a football and soccer ball.
Aso we want to see our Mimi and Papa Shaver from Knox City sometime during the holidays.
We love you,
Annica and Edward

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903 Thomas St.
Denton, TX 76201

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Braxton Shaver and I live in Denton. I am also writing for my little brother, Nolan.
For Christmas, please bring me a record player and a soccer ball. Nolan says he wants a truck and tractor so please remember this.
We have tried to be very good. Thanks, Santa.
Your friends,
Braxton and Nolan

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2236 Dogwood
Pampa, Texas

Dear Santa,
Will you bring me a doctor's kit for Christmas and Gobles Goat?
My brother, Will, wants Bristle Blocks and table and chairs.
Put them under our Christmas tree.
Thank you,
Matt Etheredge

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Dear Santa,
This year I want a typewriter, a book for school when I grow up, a telephone, a rub-a-dub shower, Mickey Mouse umbrella, and a car to drive. I'll leave an apple for your reindeer and a cookie for you.
Love,
Jacy Dillon

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Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Milky Cow, a bike, and a doll. We live in a new brick house this year - I hope you don't have trouble finding us.
I love you,
Shea Manuel

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Hello Santa,
Please bring me a bicycle, a red tractor, a puzzle and that's all. My brother Augie and I have tried to be good boys this year.
Love,
Armando Rodriquez

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Dear Santa,
My name is Cassie, and I am 7 years old.
I want a Super Star Barbie, a balanced baton, a walking doll, and some pierced earrings.
My sister, Pam, is 6 years old. She wants a Tuesday Taylor doll, a walking doll, a balanced baton, and some pierced earrings.
Pam and I, also, would like to have some doll furniture, and clothes.
Our brother, Scotty, is 3 years old. He wants a big old Tonka truck, a little bitty Tonka truck, with "slug bugs" on the back of it, and a little horsie with a man to ride on it.
We have been good this year. We have been cleaning the house and taking care of our mother, since she got out of the hospital.
Our mother says she will make you some brownies and sugar cookies.
We love you,
Cassie, Pam, and Scotty McGhee

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Dear Santa,
I have been a very good girl this year and I think I should get something for it. I would like to have 1 case of sugar-free Dr. Peppers, some blue eyeshadow, and a baby doll that wets and eats.
I love you,
Molly Muley
P.S. I will leave you some milk and cookies. Bye!!

Dear Santa
Would you please bring me a Cylon raider, and a Colonial riper and a pulsalu, Death Star Space Station and Shoot Out in Space
I love you Santa Claus
By
David Bradley

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Dear Santa,
I would like a B-B gun, some cleats, Eagle kite, boots, some B-B's, a football suit.
I've been nice and David and I won't play Karate any more.
I love you.
Dusty Bradley

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Dear Santa,
I want a cash register, shopping basket, stove, with stuff in it, and a baby to go in the basket for Christmas. I've been a real good girl and I also want a play Christmas tree for my room.
Love,
Alesha Rutherford

Dear Santa,
I have been a very, very good boy this year, so I want a lot of things. I would like a girl friend. I like red-heads. And I like A.J. a lot. I want two red fire trucks so I can give my little brother one. I want a baby doll that forms a rash.
Love you,
Timmy Jim Decker
P.S. I will leave you milk and maybe cookies if I don't eat them!

Dear Santa,
Please bring me football pants, helmet, and football jersey. And bring my mother a dress.
Rob McIlhaney

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Dear Santa
I would like a bear, a rabbit, a train, a puzzle, and a book. Also bring a hippopatamus, a horse, and a ball. Please bring Julie something.
Hanna Williams

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a baby doll, a Mickey Mouse rollercoaster, a Wonder Woman watch, a soapster puppy, a Mickey Mouse toy typewriter, and some dishes, and a cookie monster. I have been a good girl.
I love you,
Stephanie Mowery

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Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bike.
Love,
Missy Rodriquez

Dear Santa,
I wish you would bring lots of toys for me and Jessica. I wish you to have a Merry Christmas. to Rudolph the red nosed reindeer have a Merry Christmas.
Love
Jessica, Andy
and Snoopy
Williams
P.S. Bring me a play gun with play bullets and a target. A baby doll for my sister and a bow and arrow that sticks to you. Bye

Wishing You and Yours the Blessings of Christmas



Light the Christmas candle! Decorate with sprigs of pine! As you gather together friends to celebrate the time-honored traditions of this joyous season, may your hearts be filled with peace and harmony. We're wishing you a Christmas glowing with old-fashioned warmth, child-like radiance and every happiness.

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KC School News

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Junior Class News
By Gerri Watson

The junior class had a Christmas party last Wednesday, December 20. It was held at the Community Center. Mrs. Watson supplied the refreshments. The refreshments consisted of cookies which were shaped like snowmen decorated in white, Santa Clauses trimmed in red, Christmas trees covered in green with different colored candy for balls, and punch. After everyone ate they played different kinds of games.

When the juniors come back from the holidays half of their junior year will be over. They are hoping the second half goes by just as fast.

Band News
By Gerri Watson

The band performed its first concert of the year last Thursday night, and played such songs as "Canto," "Christmas Moods," and "Spirit of Christmas." There were quite a few people who attended.

The band gave Mr. Steckler a present which was presented by Rhonda Skiles.

The band has been sight reading new material this week. When band members come back from the Christmas holidays, they will start working on their UIL concert music for contest. The contest will be held some time during March at Vernon. They will be working hard for a I division.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a dog radio and a play cat, and a play farm with chickens, roosters cows, pigs & horses. I would also like a play pipe and play eyeglasses.
I have been a good boy, and I will leave you some milk and cookies.
Love,
Abel
P.S. I would also like some Star Wars toys.

Dear Santa,
How are you? I would like to have a record player and a jewellry box and also a baby doll may be I can see you when you come to our house.
Bye Santa
Sheila Wilson
P.S. I would also like to have a playhouse.

Dear Santa
I have been a good boy and for Christmas I want a guitar and a play racing car, train set holster gun set. Thank you Santa.
Love,
Mike Manuel

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a mini-bike, a model airplane, a shooting gallery and a tonka truck with a spare tire for Christmas. I have been a pretty good boy all year. Thank you,
Billy Wayne
P.S. Please bring my dog, Muffin, a toy for Christmas too.

Dear Santa
I like you and this is what I want
A real Muppets Drum set
A Basketball and a Snap together Model
From Leah Rauch

Dear Santa,
I would like for Christmas a green machine, Dump Truck, and a ping pong machine
Thank you
Ramon Sigala

Dear Santaj
I want a bike for Xmas
I think I have been a nice boy
Augie Rodriuqez

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, December 21 - School dismisses for holidays, 2:30 p.m.; 4-H Christmas Party, Community Center, 6:30 p.m.
Friday, December 22 - Winter begins.
Saturday, December 23 - Appreciation Program, downtown, 3:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 24 - Christmas Eve.
Monday, December 25 - Christmas Day, stores closed.
Wednesday, December 27 - Noon Lions Club, Masonic Fellowship Hall.
Thursday, December 28 - Varsity girls and boys in Jayton tournament, continues through Saturday, December 30.

Farm and Ranch News

By TOMMY ANTILLEY

Small grains in Knox County are growing extremely well and it looks as if we have a good grain year started. To insure that you grain will yield its potential next spring, producers should be observing their fields for weeds and insects.

Greenbugs are reported as being from light to moderate in most fields with numbers increasing steadily. Producers should inspect their fields regularly to determine greenbug damage. Inspections should be made during the warmest part of the day when the greenbugs are above ground. Make a minimum of five random counts, inspecting 1 linear foot of row diagonally across the field.

The need for applying control measures depends on the number of greenbugs per foot of row, size and vigor of plants and presence of parasites and predators. The following rule of thumb may serve as a guide in determining the need for treatment:

Plant height	Number of greenbugs per linear foot
3"-6"	100-300
4"-8"	200-400
6"-16"	300-800

The appearance of dead plants caused by greenbug feeding in spots also indicates a need for treatment.

Another major production practice for high yields is the control of winter weeds in small grains. Research has determined that one weed per square foot can reduce yields up to ten percent. Even at present wheat prices this loss could be more than compensated by treatment for winter weeds. The time to control winter weeds is when they are young and tender. Most of the broadleaf winter weeds form a rosette or lay flat on the ground. Best control is achieved by spraying when these rosettes are one to inches in diameter.

Wheat can be sprayed any time after tillering is completed, up until jointing is started in the spring. Spray applications during tillering or after jointing can result in serious damage to wheat as deformed plants and reduced yields.

IN PYEATT HOME

Family members enjoyed an early Christmas dinner in the home of Mrs. Mabel Pyeatt Sunday evening.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Carr, Mrs. Carrie Belle Benedict, Mrs. Bea Benedict, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Darr, and Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Angle and Stacy.

DPS Director Warns Of 'Deadly' Holidays

AUSTIN - The director of the Texas Department of Public Safety today warned that the upcoming Christmas and New Year holiday periods could be the deadliest in recent years.

Colonel Wilson E. Speir said that while traffic deaths statewide have been running about eight percent over last year, death counts for the 1978 July 4th and Labor Day holiday weekends ran 40 to 45 percent over 1977.

Based on these trends, Speir estimated that 44 persons will die in Texas traffic during the Christmas weekend from 6:00 p.m. Friday, December 22, through midnight Monday, December 25. He said another 35 deaths are likely in the New Year period from 6:00 p.m. Friday, December 29, through midnight Monday, January 1.

At the end of preliminary holiday counts last year, 34 deaths were reported in the Christmas period and 30 during the New Year holidays.

Speir said all available DPS troopers will be on duty, and they and local officers will be working to keep traffic moving safely.

"I have asked our personnel to place special emphasis on removing drunks and reckless drivers from the streets and highways," the DPS director added.

"We will continue to work with the news media to keep motorists posted on unusual traffic conditions, and to advise them on where and why serious holiday accidents are occuring," Speir said.

He noted that if present trends continue through the end of December, the state's traffic death toll will reach or exceed 4,000 for the first time in history. A record 3,698 persons died in Texas traffic during 1977.

In the past few holidays, it is indicative that there is an increase of motorcyclist deaths on the highway. Motorcyclists are not wearing protective headgear and the loss of life is overwhelming when the helmet is not used, says Major C.W. Bell, Regional Commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Excessive speed and the lack of control of speed will be great factors in traffic deaths. In repeated accidents, it has been proven that any speed above 55 will take a large toll in human lives. Fifty-five miles per hour is the maximum speed allowed by law. This is a law we can live with! said Bell.

School Holidays Begin Today

Students in the Knox City-O'Brien Consolidated Independent School District will dismiss for the Christmas holidays Thursday (today), December 21, at 2:30 p.m.

According to school officials, buses will run as usual today.

Students will return to classes Tuesday, January 2, at the regular time.

WTC Names New Instructor

SNYDER - Bill Hale has been named Residential Construction instructor for Western Texas College.

Hale operates his own firm, Hale Construction Co., in Snyder and Big Spring. Students in the construction program at WTC will be learning both commercial and residential construction skills, Hale said, and he invites students interested in enrolling for the one-year program to contact him at the college.

Registration for Residential Construction students will be held on January 18, with classes beginning January 19.

Lions Club News

By Z.I. SMITH

At Wednesday's meeting, Lion Bill Baker was a little late but explained he had stopped to get the new clock the club secured for the dining room. Former Lion Doyle Graham was a guest of Lion Zeb Smith and assisted in the program entertainment.

For the program, cards were passed out and donations were taken to play several games of Bingo. The Lions had a great time playing and they provided $20 for the Care Home Bingo Fund. Mrs. Lou Sikes donates her time to go to the Care Home and operate the Bingo games once a week for the entertainment of the 66 residents. The Care Home sincerely appreciates Mrs. Sikes' efforts, and the Lions are grateful to Doyle Graham for his help on the program.

Billy Bob Reynolds Home After Surgery

Billy Bob Reynolds, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Reynolds, returned home Thursday of last week from Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene, where he underwent surgery Tuesday, December 12.

According to his mother, he is doing well and is now recuperating at home.

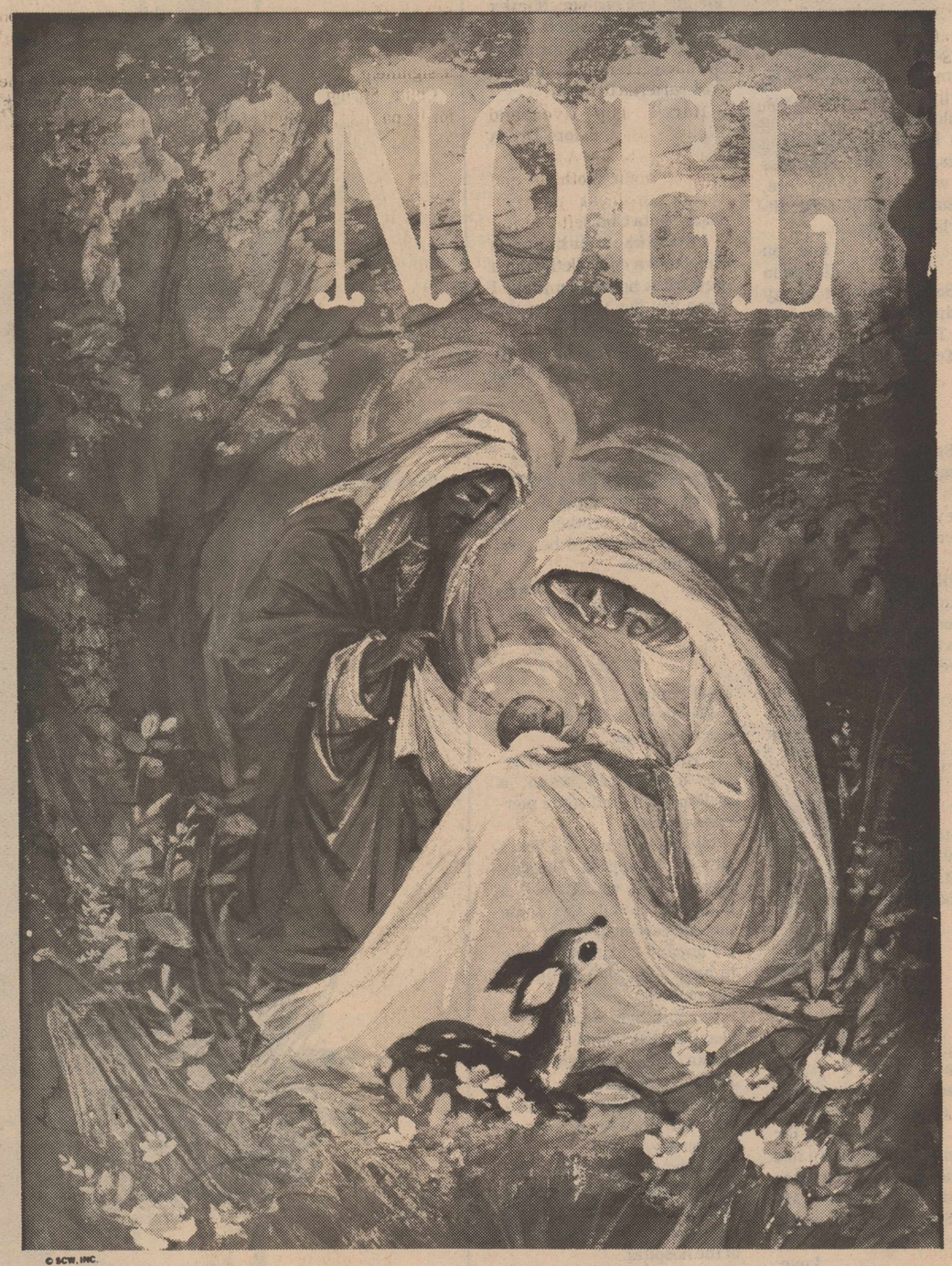
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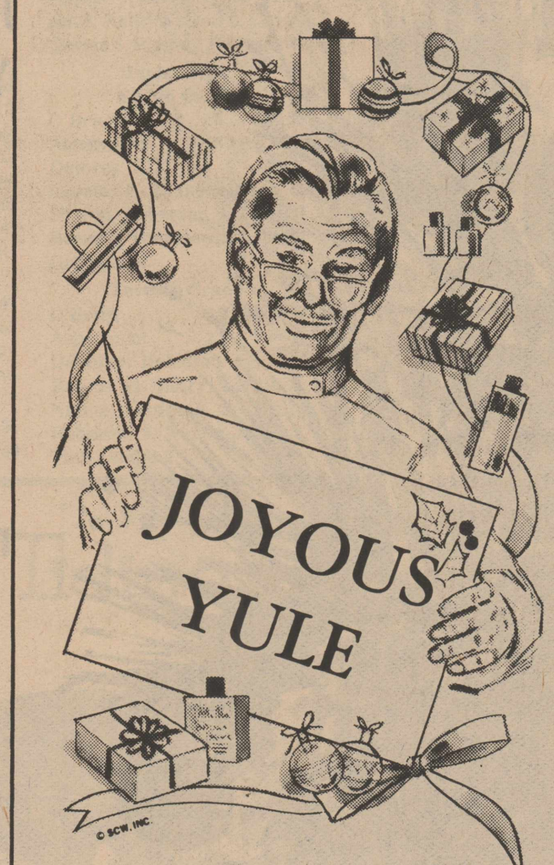


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China Spring Wins, 13-7

Haskell 'Scalped' In Semi-Finals

Haskell's hopes for advancing to the State Class A finals Friday night dwindled as China Springs ran over the Indians 13-7 in the semifinal contest at Brownwood's Cen-Tex Stadium.

Haskell, the district 7-A representative, won the right to advance to the playoffs after drawing an "X" out of a hat November 18 to cease a three-way tie between Haskell, Knox City, and Munday.

China Springs opened up the scoring and stunned Haskell's defense with a 45-yard touchdown run on the second play of the game by Mark Jobe, then scored on a controversial touchdown in the third quarter when officials ruled quarterback Mark Davis scored before he fumbled into the end zone.

However, Haskell, behind the running of Mark Wallace and Vonnie Hise, came back to score late in the third quarter only to be stymied twice in the fourth period.

The duo beginning with Wallace rushed for 184 yards on 29 carries and scored with the Haskell touchdown on a two-yard run, Hise wound up with 122 yards on 15 carries. Even with this, it just wasn't enough.

Haskell, which had been stopped for two downs at the China Springs 18 when it needed another yard for a first down in the second quarter, got to the Cougar 27 and 18 in the fourth quarter before being thrown back.

The last one was termed a "killer." The Indians had second and six from the 18; however, quarterback Jimmy Harris was thrown for a three-yard loss on a sweep and the Tribe never recovered.

The faking of Davis and the speed in the China Spring secondary turned out to be a big difference, too. The Indians, especially in the first half, had a hard time finding the football because of the slick-handed Davis.

And the speed in the secondary was evident as it appeared Wallace was going to make a first down at the Cougar 18. However, he was halted as he turned the corner and missed the first down by inches.

China Spring's Larry Lagge almost went 95 yards for a touchdown on the opening kickoff, but he was finally dragged down at the Haskell 44 by Monnie Hise.

Jobe went over left tackle, broke a tackle at scrimmage, then headed down the left sideline for the touchdown. Most of the fans hadn't settled down from the kickoff to enjoy the run.

Haskell came back and drove to the China Spring 18, Wallace got four, but a pass went incomplete, a bad pitchout cost the Indians another yard and Harris was dropped at the 26 attempting to pass.

The Indians fumbled away a chance at the China Spring 30 early in the second quarter, but the Cougars returned the favor by fumbling away a threat at the Haskell seven, following a pass interception.

A personal foul was called on the Cougar squad after the fumble and Haskell drove to the China Spring 18, Wallace getting most of it on a 51 yard run to the 27.

Harris got five and Wallace four, before China Spring got tough. A sneak by Harris made nothing and then the great play on Wallace around left end left it inches shy of new life.

China Spring took the third quarter kickoff and marched 73 yards in 13 plays for a 13-0 lead. Davis came up with a big run of 23 yards on a fourth and five situation from the Haskell 26, but he was stacked up at the line on the next play.

Davis sneaked again, but the ball fell out of his arms and rolled into the end zone where Joseph Browning fell on it. The Indians jumped up and down, but moments later, it was the Cougars who were jubilent as officials ruled Davis had reached the goalline before coughing it up.

Elliott, who had kicked the first extra point, missed second, but those 13 points looked good because only one of 13 opponents had scored twice on the defense this year.

The Indians tried.

Haskell went 82 yards late in the third period for the TD with Vonnie Hise eating up most of the yardage on a 59-yard run to the China Spring four.

Two carries by Wallace got the TD from two yards out. Hise's kick made it 13-7.

Haskell held and got the football back and marched to the China Spring 30. Wallace got three, but Harris was thrown for a three-yard loss attempting to run around left end. A pass went incomplete and a reverse lost five yards and the Cougars had held.

The Indians got the ball back with 7:22 left and with Wallace and Hise carrying seven times, marched to the Cougar 18. Harris was stopped for a yard loss, a pass went incomplete and the Cougars smelled out a screen pass to Hise for a yard loss at the 20.

All Haskell had to do at that point was to score because it was ahead on penetrations and first downs. But trying to score turned out to be a difficult assignment.

China Spring, not known for its passing, hit eight of 16 for 123 yards and rushed for 172 more with Davis also rushing for 63 yards on 13 carries. Haskell, on the other hand, hit only two of 12 passes for two yards.

The Cougars, who had never been past bi-district until this year, will now play Franklin for the championship Friday night.

Letters To Santa Claus

I LOVE YOU SANTA
RACHEL

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby Heart Beat and a Book of Santa Claus and a big colerbook of Santa and all the toys that you make.

With love,
Rachel,

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Dear Santa,
I would like a doll and a doll buggy, a Dancerella, a typewritter, a camera, a kitchen set, some books to read, a globe, a pair of pants, and that's all.

Love, Missy

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Dear Santa:
I have been good all year. I would like to have a pretty robe, a little hat and a kitten for Christmas

Linda
Lerma

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Dear Santa Claus,
I am 5 years old and I started kindergarden this year. I have tried to be good this year and nice to everyone. I would like a Snuggles doll, some cake mixes for my easy bake oven and a merry-go-copter. Please don't forget my little sister Julie and all my cousins.

Love,
Joy Gentry

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Dear Santa,
I want a bike, Stretch Armstrong, a train, and a surprise for Christmas.

Love,
Tony Ramos

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Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy, four years old, and have been pretty good all year. I would like a Lil' Sport Basketball Set and a Pocket Flix movie viewer and an extra cassette if you have one.

Your friend
Roger Marion

P.S. Please don't forget my cousin, Will, because I bet he has been a pretty good boy all year, too.

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Dear Santa, I love you Pat
I want some boots and a coat and a book satchel and a drum

O'Brien Happenings

By CHARLENE BROTHERS

How long has it been since you dressed to go to work by candle light? Last Friday was my first time and I hope my last. I can remember when we had oil lamps, but then I was not going to work, was too young, and also I did not use any makeup or have my hair back combed. Trying to get the holes out of the back of your hair after sleeping on freshly back combed hair by candle light is something else. I guessed at my makeup, guess I did a pretty fair job as no one said anything. Of course after not getting coffee for so long I may have looked so mean they were afraid to say anything. Some teased me about missing the coffee, but when you have a headache all the time anyway, coffee kinda early in the morning sometimes helps a little. Of course you Knox City people had electricity, but it did not come back on in O'Brien until some time after eight o'clock in our homes and when they will not work we have a habit of going a little crazy. But you know when everything in your kitchen is electric it does cause problems when they will not work. I was not the only one over here having problems trying to get ready to go to work. There were several others.

For the next two weeks or so there will be a lot of traffic, if you go anywhere during the holidays, be very careful, we want to have you back next year to read this paper. Most of us around here will probably be so busy at the gin we will not think of going anywhere except home to get a little rest. We are really going to enjoy the day off Christmas. After working down here about 12-18 hours you are ready for any time off. I believe we have more cotton on the yard now than any other time since I have been here since 1971. There are probably around 1200 bales sitting out there waiting to be ginned, and there are nearly that many farmers sitting around in pickups waiting to pick up a trailer when it comes out.

We are very proud of Angelia Reid this week. She was in the top five of the contestants in the Oilbelt District FFA contest last week. We are proud to have you in our community, Angelia.

I am late with this, as usual in the fall, so I do not have much to say, which I never do. Anyway have a Happy Holiday and a Merry New Year. Enjoy your trip if you take one and we will see you next year.

HERE AND THERE

Mrs. James Manning, Cody and Christie were in Hamlin several days last week attending the wedding of Pearce's cousin. Cody and Christie were in the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Cox and son of Fort Worth visited last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A.A. Cox.

Craig Brothers of Western Texas College in Snyder is home for the Christmas holidays.

Give To The March Of Dimes

Happy Holiday!

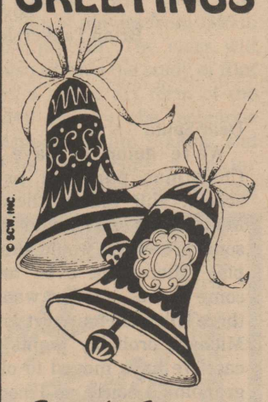


We hope your Christmas is filled with love and warmth and laughter. Your continuing patronage has made this Christmas a wonderful one for us!

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YULETIDE GREETINGS



Season's Greetings to all of our friends!

Lois and Vernon Buckley



Scott Stephens
Christmas 1978

HI!

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News Notes from the Brazos Valley Care Home

By EDNA EUBANK

The Baptist Church of Gillespie held services at the Care Home. The attendance was good for both church and residents. The service was enjoyed and we all wish to thank the kind people of Gillespie for their interest in our shut-ins.

Mrs. Williamson enjoyed having Mabel Coates, Louise Finley, Clifford, Arnell Denton and Lorena Burnison of Munday.

Cliff Elliott welcomed her sister, Jo Strickland of Munday.

On Friday the fifth and sixth grade students of Benjamin accompanied by their teacher, Mrs. Kenneth Roberts, Supt. Roberts, and Mrs. Wooley came to the home. They passed out cookies, hand made Christmas cards and sang a song for the old folks which they thoroughly enjoyed. Thanks to all those who participated so very much. Our old people love to have children come to visit them.

Mrs. Pray entertained Mamie Watson, Carrie Belle Benedict, Marion Perdue, Mabel Pyeatt, Maureen Reeder and Mr. White of Anson.

Mrs. Chandler was happy to see Myra White and her daughter Joan of Lubbock and Mrs. Hollis.

Margie Cloud of Odessa and her friend of Abilene dropped in to see Vicie Emerson.

Mr. Roberts enjoyed having his daughter Margaret Warren as his guest.

Kelton Smith had Jessie Teague, Kate Wheeler, Lillie Washington, his mother, Verna Dean Johnson, Bessie Duncan and Hope Poe sign his guest book.

Mrs. Partridge enjoyed having Helen and Mary Stephens, Minnie Parkhill, Mauryse Scott and Arnell Denton.

Dick Carney loved having his friends Mr. and Mrs. Gagen of Arlington.

Mrs. Strickland's daughter, Nina, and her husband, Vernon Duncan of Snyder, stopped by to see her mother.

Mae Flowers welcomed Elizabeth Donaldson, Dewey and Marie Darr, Pearl Gage and Mr. White of Anson.

Mrs. Clark and Waynell enjoyed a visit from Mrs. Baty, Mrs. Clark's daughter. She lives in San Angelo. She was accompanied by Mrs. Beatrice Baty, her husband's mother.

Mrs. Gillentine's daughters, Lois Golden of Benjamin and Ray Beeler of Crosbyton, came to see her.

Mrs. Dearing's daughter, Lorena, was a welcome visitor.

Mr. White of Anson, our former administrator, was over to greet the residents one day last week. All were very happy to see him again.

Peggy McGaughey came to see her mother, Mrs. Milligan.

Mrs. Kendrick was happy to see her sisters, Edith West and Laura Hall of Benjamin, and Clarence and Ruth Hall of Plainview and Kathy Ray of Benjamin.

Mrs. Benson was in to see Mr. Benson.

Mr. Waldrip had a number of signers in his guest book. Some were Lloyd Waldrip, Noba Oliver, Jessie Teague, O.R. Lee, Arnell Denton, Ford and D.E. White of Anson and Glenn Draper.

Mr. Snelson enjoyed having Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Jones, Johnny, Martha and Michele Brock, L.J. Snelson and Brother Marion.

Blanche Hodges of Plainview visited her dad, Mr. Cochran.



May mirth and merriment fill your Christmastime!

We will be closed
Saturday - Sunday - Monday

City Cafe
and
Pastry Shop

Christmas Joy



Enjoy a happy holiday season filled with love and laughter and the warmth of young children enjoying the Christmas season.

Lynn Electric

KNOX CITY 658-3511



Look Who's Here

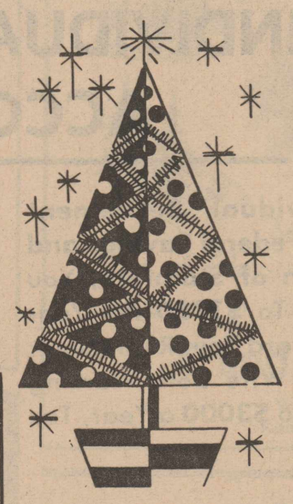
Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Holmes of O'Brien are the proud parents of a baby daughter born Saturday, December 9, at 12:34 p.m. in the Knox County Hospital.

The young miss has been named Jodi Lyn and weighed in at seven pounds, eleven ounces. She measured 19 inches in length.

Jodi Lyn has a big sister, Joni, who is three years old.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. T.L. Stockton of O'Brien and Mr. and Mrs. Grady Holmes, also of O'Brien, are paternal grandparents.

Great-grandparents include Mrs. Lily Oxford of Knox City, Mrs. John Stockton of Haskell, and Mrs. J.T. Voss of Munday.



HOLIDAY GREETINGS



Each petal, each leaf, a wish from us to you for the best Christmas ever, abloom with happy friends and loved ones.

Knox City Florist

The Spurgeon Neelys

Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I would like a red toy for Christmas. Please bring me a car, a truck and some candy. I have tried to be a good boy this year.
Merry Christmas
Ruben Garcia

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Dear Santa,
My name is Kimberly Chambers and I am four years old. I have an older sister, Paula and a new baby sister Kristi Lynn.
I would like a rub-a-dub dolly for Christmas. Please bring Paula a Blip so she will have something to play with. Kris is only two weeks old, so bring her a real soft doll to love.
We have all been nice and would like some candy for our stockings.
Love
Kimberly Anne

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Dear Santa,
I want a barn, some cows and horses. I have tried to be a good boy this year.
Love,
Brian Tankersley

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Dear Santa
We're going to have a Christmas party at preschool. Will you be there? My brothers and I would like some presents. I would like a play Microwave oven and some dishes. Junior wants three trucks to haul dirt and Michael probably wants a car. We have moved to our grandma's house, so I hope you can find us.
I love you
Melissa Perez

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Dear Santa,
My name is Brian. I am 6 years old.
For Christmas I would like to have a BB gun, a basketball, a skateboard, and some race cars.
I'll try to be good between now and Christmas. I love you.
Brian Rogers

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Dear Santa,
I like you cause you give little kids presents. I like your deers. Please bring me a play telephone.
Love,
Rachel Sanchez

Dear Santa,
I would like a train, a rocking horse, and some clothes for Christmas.
I live with my mom and Gramma Griffith. On weekends you will be able to find me at my Grandmother Jan's and Granddad Fred's house.
Please don't forget all my Grandma's and Grandpa's at Christmas. Also don't forget my mom, Aunt Kiki and Uncle Red, Aunt Tammy and Aunt Stacy.
Thank you,
Love,
Ricky Joe Carver
P.S. We don't have a chimney, but the front door will be unlocked. There will be some cookies and milk for you.
P.S.S. Have a Merry Christmas.

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Dear Santa Clause. I have been pretty good these days. I would like to have a dancerella doll, Barbie doll out door living set, Matilida stuffed animal. Toss across game. Thankyou I will leave you some cookies and milk because you bring me good things.
Love you
Rhonda Albus
Have a Merry Christmas

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Dear Santa.
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a B.B. gun. A football a rod and reel. And some clothes.
I love you Santa.
Billy Joe Reynolds Jr.
P.S. Please bring me a Stars Wars game.

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Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle without training wheels. I want a doll that eats and one that blows bubbles with gum. I want a brown skirt. Hi, Santa.
Merry Christmas,
Mitzi Marion

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Dear Santa
How are you today? This is a list of what I want.
Bionic Women
ironing board
Play oven
organ
Tiggy Tumblesdoll
Love,
Shannon
P.S. I love you! How is Rudolph, Santa?

Dear Santa
My name is Joni Holmes and I am three years old. I think that I have been a very good little girl this year. For Christmas this year I would like a dancing doll, a motorcycle, and a pair of boots.
Love,
Joni

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Dear Santa
We have been good kids.
Please bring my LITTLE sister Jill a sit and spin. My little brother Brett wants a Sears truck and a gun. I want a miniwave oven and some cake mixes don't forget the other children in the world. Thank you.
Love
Holly Beesley

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Dear Santa,
I want a Mickey Mouse Roller Coaster. I want a baton and a Holly Hobbie cook set. I want a ring and a watch too.
My brother, Jarred, wants a plane that flies upside down.
Love,
Stephanie Pepper

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Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl 3 years old and I have tried really hard to be a good girl this year. I would like a Whoopise doll, a merry-go-copter, and some candy in my stocking. Please don't forget my big sister Joy and all the other boys and girls.
Love,
Julie Gentry

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Dear Santa.
I have been a good little boy. Please bring me a football a rod and reel. A B.B. gun. And some clothes. Don't forget my brothers.
Love you Santa
Billy Jack Reynolds

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Dear santa
For Christmas I want some dishes and a play T.V. and a doll. And a watch and I also want a bicycle and some pencils.
Love you Santa
Sandra

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Dear Santa,
I would like a Nite-Glow racing car set and a Tin-Can Alley
I have been nice.
Love,
Boyce

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Dear Santa;
Would you please bring me a race car and a Streth Armstrong. I've been a good boy all year.
I would also wish everyone health and happiness.
Thank You
Nathan Pierce

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Dear Santa,
Please bring me a white doll, a play Kitchen, and dishes. I have been a good girl. I want a telephone.
Thank you,
Lupe Sigala

Dear Santa,
I want a truck, a bicycle. Get me a Teddy Bear.
Merry Christmas
Johnny Grindstaff

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Dear Santa
I want a Tuesday Taylor doll for Christmas. Please bring my little a truck.
Love,
Pam McGhee

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Dear Santa,
Bring my little sister a doll and I would like a new bike, roller skates, and a play house.
I'll leave you a glass of milk and apple by the tree.
Love,
Shayne Lowe

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Dear Santa
I want a bike and a doll for Christmas. I have been a nice girl. I love you Santa
Thank you
Paula Ann Garcia



May the spirit of Christmas be in your hearts forever.

First United Methodist Church

James Patterson, Pastor



Judge & Mrs. R. J. Bullock

Season's Greetings



We are loaded with good wishes for every loyal friend.
May the Christmas season bring you All joys it can lend.

Knox City Grain Co.

KNOX CITY 658-3712



BEST WISHES!

We love to have you as our customers and we hope that you will enjoy a happy Christmas season. We look forward to seeing you in the near future.

O'Brien Food Store

The Coy Hewitts

Season's Greetings



Cheer and good feeling are the fabric of Christmas. Hope your holidays are merry!

Elaine's Fabrics

Glad Tidings



We're making the most of the holiday spirit by wishing you the best greetings of the season.

Pumpers Supply and Equipment Company



Peace on Earth

Our reverent wish is that our many friends will find in this Christmas all the hope and joy of that most wondrous night.

WE WILL BE CLOSED DEC.25 and 26.

Norma's Leather Express

The Gene Suttons

Computer Service Set To Assist Harvesting

A revolutionary computer service designed to take the guesswork out of cotton harvesting is expected to be completed by early 1979.

Developmental work began two years ago at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. Experiments involve the use of computers to predict the most effective system of harvesting and handling seed cotton.

Called HASP (Harvest Analysis Simulation Program), the service provides computer readouts which tell how many harvesters, module builders, rickers, and what field-to-gin transportation are most profitable for any particular harvesting/ginning operation.

A computer readout for one grower showed him how to make an extra $1,838 on his cotton harvest. The computer showed that by using one harvester in good weather, the grower's total harvesting and handling cost per bale of cotton was $53. But if he used two harvesters, the cost per bale dropped to $50. The result was a $3 per bale profit on the grower's 613 bales.

The experiment is being funded totally by cotton producers through Cotton Incorporated. HASP was designed and set up by Dr. Milton L. Smith, professor of industrial engineering at Texas Tech.

"Cotton Incorporated also assists us on the research and gives us guidance because this has turned out to be a much more involved process than we originally thought," Dr. Smith said.

Once perfected, the computer service will be turned over to independent operators selected for their ability to best serve cotton producers. Dr. Smith esitmates the cost to the grower will be about $30 to have as many as ten different options evaluated.

To use the service, the cotton grower fills out a questionnaire describing his particular circumstances. He includes any "what if" situations he would like to investigate. The grower is asked to provide such information as cost and age of his equipment.

When fed into the computer, the output tells the cost components in the total harvesting/handling cost for each option examined. In short, it gives a grower his harvest cost per bale. By using different combinations of equipment, and taking the weather into consideration, it tells which combination of equipment is most efficient.

For example, the computer told Lynn Harrist, a Lubbock cotton grower, that he needed an extra harvester for the 960 acres of cotton he farms with his brother. Actually, Harrist has already bought the harvester but the computer confirmed that he made a good decision.

"I think this program has been helpful," Harrist said. "It lets us see what we're doing and what we could do with more or less equipment or land. I can see how this system could save me money."

The idea is to have the right combination of equipment to maximize total crop return. Of course, more equipment means faster harvesting.

However, Dr. Smith cautions that the decision to buy or not to buy should not be based solely on the computer's information. "We're giving information of a type most producers have not had before. But there are other factors involved, such as personal financial situations, that we're not considering. This is just one more input into the farmer's decision. The farmer will still have to use his own judgement."

How does the weather play a factor in computer harvesting? Dr. William Lalor, manager of Systems and Cost Engineering for Cotton Incorporated, said "We look at costs for two weather situations and for several yield and price situations.

"The normal weather option tells us how we'll do on the average. The bad weather option tells how much protection we have against the worst circumstances. The cost to the farmer will be greater during a year of bad weahter because the more you extend the harvest, the greater your quality and yield loss will be. And the way to offset this is to harvest your cotton faster.

"When expected yields are high, we can afford to invest more per acre farmed to ensure successful harvesting and ginning. And the same thing applies when prices are high. But we also need to know how we'll fare when yield and prices are low."

All of these factors are fed into the computer.

"If the farmer is expanding his operation, say going from 700 acres to 1200 acres then he likely will need some more harvesting equipment," Dr. Smith says. "The computer allows the grower to figure out his actual harvesting cost. Then he'll have an idea as to whether it would pay to go to more harvesters for the extra acreage.

"The real advantage of the computer is it lets the farmer see what would happen to him before he makes his decision."

Fire Department News

By Volunteer Fire Members

The Knox City Fire Department has received word that there are as many as 8,636 smoke detectors in use in Texas homes that due to faulty wiring could overheat and cause a fire in these homes.

These units were distributed nationwide but the above-mentioned figure is for Texas alone.

The detectors in question are not the battery powered kind, check yours today, and see if it is the BRK SS749 series; if so contact the store where you purchased it or the company that distributed it. Whatever you do, if it is one of the faulty ones, disconnect it immediately.

Newly elected officers for 1979 were revealed Thursday night, December 14. They are Fire Chief Ken Lawson, Assistant Cheif Leonard Phelps, President Bud Reynolds, Vice President Willie Collins, Secretary-Treasurer Craig Williams, Assistant Fire Marshal Ted Bolzle, Reporter Rob Harrison, Mascot Mike Morris, Chaplin James Patterson, and Doctor R.G. Howell. Fire marshal is James Redwine, Knox City Chief of Police.

At approximately 1:00 a.m. Sunday, firemen responded to a call from Mrs. Joe Boone. Mrs. Boone reported that she heard an explosion in the vicinity of Knox City Grain Co., Inc., and upon arrival the department discovered a truck owned by Alex Godsey was engulfed in flames in the cab and gas tank areas. There was extensive damage to the interior of the cab and the vehicle had not been used for some time. At last recollection it would not even start, and the gas cap was off of the left saddle tank with the truck on fire internally. The cause has not been determined and is pending further investigation.

Another call was answered at 12:00 noon on Sunday as firemen were called to Oldrick Fotjik's farm, three-fourths of a mile north of Knox City. The barn was reportedly on fire; however, upon arrival it was discovered to be only the grass around the barn. Damage was limited to the grass and the barn was not involved. The cause was not determined at press time.

Remember: Prevention is the Best Firefighter.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa
My name is John Casillas I am six years old. I would like the following things for Christmas A Race Track and Nerf cycle and a Max machine and a Merlin computer and a bike and a wagon and a coat. This is all I want for Christmas. I will leave you some cookies and milk under the Christmas tree.

Love
John Casillas

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Dear Santa,
I'm in first grade. My birthday is March 28th, my sisters birthday is Oct. 31st. For Christmas I would like to have a baby doll, and a cradle, and a high chair, and maybe a few clothes, and a Farah Fawcett beauty shop. Hope you have fun Christmas too!

I love you,
Nicki Ivie

STREAMS IN DESERT PLACES

By OZELLE STEPHENS

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." (Isiah 9:6)

To a Christian the joy of Christmas is built more on the triumph of Christ's death and resurrection - that gave meaning to his birth. The fact of the cross illuminates this day and hollows it.

In exchanging gifts let us remember that they are symbolic of the unspeakable gift of God's love.

The Bible teaches that God gave a person as a gift to every one of us, and that person is Jesus Christ. Let us think how we can give ourselves to bring honor and praise to our God in Jesus' name.

Dear Reader, I trust from the deep of my heart that you have a Blessed Christmas with all the Joys of this Day be yours through each day of the NEW YEAR.

May all of your life be filled with His grace and glory, and no good thing be withheld from you. (Psalms 84:11)

FROM NEW BRAUNFELS

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Clay of New Braunfels spent Monday night here with her mother, Mrs. Myrtle White, and her brother and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. White and Adam.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a kissing doll, a Baby Love, some scissors and a watch for Christmas this year. I will leave a bowl of popcorn and a glass of milk.

I love you,
Holly Ivie

Dear Santa
I would like a Milky Cow, the Goat and a piano. My little brother Al wants a black race car. If you have any extra toys left, I would like a puzzle. We will leave some cookies and milk for you Christmas Eve.

I love you,
Tracy Rios

Dear Santa
Please bring me a big loader set, a tunneville choo-choo, and tinker toys. I also want roller skates like my big sister wants. I have been a pretty good boy, Santa, but I am two years old, so I do get into trouble sometimes. I know you will understand. I am very anxious for you to come to my house.

Love,
Luke

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Dear Santa,
I want a guitar, a BB gun, a pistol, and a gun with a belt, and holster, and bullets.

Love,
Ramon Lerma

Dear Santa,
My name is Tammy and I am two years old. I have tried really hard to be a good girl this year.

For Christmas I would like a Whoopsie doll and Rawhide the Wonder Horse.

Please remember all the boys and girls everywhere. Also remember my very special aunt.

Love you,
Tammy Brothers.

Dear Santa,
I want a baby with a bed. I have tried to be a good girl this year.

Love
Becky Wilson

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 6 yrs. old & I would like to have a Mickey Mouse Telephone, a pair of real Roller Skates - size 1, and a Baby Don't Cry.

I will leave you some brownies to eat and milk to drink. There will also be a carrot for Rudolph and the other Reindeers.

Love,
Karomy NaShae Sloan

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Dear Santa, I want a ball and a car and a tun of ortoche and a Mr. mouth and a gun and a hrouse and a puzzle and cow and a golly the goat.
Roy Dale



R.G. HOWELL, M.D.
And Associates



Warmest wishes for a bright and happy holiday season. May the peace and joy of Christmas be yours today and every day of the year.

DR. W.F. THOMPSON
And Associates

NOEL



To wish you the blessings of the Christ Child this Holy Season.

Charlie's Upholstery

The Charles Plunketts
Vera, Texas

SILENT NIGHT



Let the beauty of this Blessed Season be in your hearts.

The Joe Boone Family

O Holy Night



A time to gather together in celebration of the meaning of His birth and the beauty of His love . . . this is the true spirit of Christmas.

The Knox County Hospital Staff

Stock Show Issues Parade Invitations

Invitations to participate in the annual Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show Parade have been mailed to 150 riding clubs, 50 high school bands and about 25 merchants and organizations which sponsor horse-drawn floats.

Parade chairman Chuck Shytles said anyone is welcome to participate in the parade, scheduled to begin at 2:00 p.m. Friday, January 26, in downtown Fort Worth.

"We maintain the all western heritage of the Stock Show by not permitting the use of motorized vehicles in our parade," Shytles said. "Participants must be horse-back, ride in a horse-drawn vehicle or be a member of a marching unit."

The 83rd edition of the Fort Worth Stock Show begins its 12-day run Wednesday, January 24, and concludes Sunday, February 4.

W.R. Watt Jr., show president-manager, reported that riding clubs are invited to join in grand entries which traditionally start each of the 22 performances of the World's Original Indoor Rodeo in Will Rogers Coliseum.

"Persons wishing to participate in the parade or rodeo grand entry should contact the Stock Show office to make reservations," Watt said. "Riding clubs and area chambers of commerce which have rodeo queens to be introduced at a performance of the rodeo should notify our office by January 15," he added.

Last year more than 1,900 horses were involved in the Stock Show Parade. "We hope that number will be larger this year for the observance of the 83rd Stock Show," Shytles said. Parade and grand entry information is available at the Stock Show Office, P.O. Box 150, Fort Worth, Texas 76101.

The Stock Show Rodeo ticket office in the lobby of Will Rogers Coliseum is open and selling tickets from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. daily, including Sundays.

Mail orders are accepted at $5 for each ticket, plus $1 extra for the entire order to cover return postage. Orders by mail are available for all except five performances. The two Friday nights, two Saturday nights and the final Sunday night have been sold out. Address mail orders to Rodeo Ticket Office, P.O. Box 150, Fort Worth, Texas 76101.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I am 4 years old and have tried to be good. I want a Baby Wet & Care, a crawling baby, and a horsey. My baby brother wants a toy box.
I will leave you some oranges.
Love,
Amy Carver

Dear Santa,
I would like a drum set, guitar, a Mickey Mouse Wrench and a Sing-Thing. My big brother Stacy would like some nice surprises too.
I love you,
Chad James

Dear Santa,
I would like a choo choo train. I have been playing football with my shorts on, and I would like a football.
Zachary Cornwell

Dear Santa
I will give you a suit and a box. Please bring me a Holly Hobbie oven.
Tricia Rios

Dear Santa:
I would like a Mickey Mouse Watch and a Walkie-Talkies for Christmas. and a doll for my sister Laurie.
Love
Margarito Nevarez

Dear Santa,
I want a guitar and rifle and a holster and a pop gun. Please make the guitar a big one. The pop-gun will need a rubber band.
Andy Verhalen

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a trailer and a big motorcycle. I have been a good boy this year.
Jason Quintinia

Dear Santa
I want a telephone and a walking doll for Christmas. I will leave some cookies for you to eat when you come to my house.
Love,
Christy Rios

Dear Santa,
I would like some candy and a Christmas tree. Please bring me a baby doll called Mary Ann. I have tried to be good this year.
Love,
Michelle Garza

Santa, Counterparts Awaited Everywhere

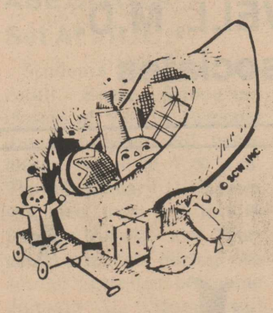
The whole history of Santa Claus and other enchanting gift-bringers is one of unusual and changing variety, adding to the myth and magic of Christmas.

Santa Claus himself is thought to be a fusion of Saint Nicholas and an ancient Yule God. The Saint was a 4th Century Bishop of Myra, a town in Asia Minor. Patron of sailors, bankers, and maidens, legend states that Nicholas saved the three daughters of an impoverished father from a life of probable prostitution by providing them with gold dowries. Hence, his association with gift-giving.

Good Saint Nicholas was not only well-wishing. He, and certain other versions of the Christmas gift bringer, had and sometimes still have, an accompanying servant to punish naughty children.

Bavarian children look forward to a December 6th visit from "Knecht Ruprecht" carrier of Saint Nicholas' holiday sweets. Candy is distributed to good children, while spankings are received through "Grumbles," a devilish figure carrying sticks in order to accomplish his painful task. Formal presents are brought by the "Christ Child" on December 25th. The Christ Child, or "Christkindl," is supposed to be a messenger appearing on behalf of the about-to-be-born Jesus and is thought of as a girl.

In Holland, St. Nicholas becomes Sante Klaas. Children put out before the fire-place a pair of shoes or clogs filled with hay, water, and carrots for the Saint's white horse. The next morning, they find the shoes filled with candy and little presents, or birch-rods, depending upon their behavior. The Christ Child also rides through the streets, bringing surprise gifts to unsuspecting households.



In the U.S.A., "Christkindl" became verbally slurred to Kriss Kringle, and also changed shape into a "Father Christmas" figure — a bearded man with sleigh and reindeer bringing gifts and good cheer to all.

Sweden's children serve porridge to "Father Christmas" (Jultomen) and his elfin friends (Julnissar) who bring gifts (Julklapp) in unusual ways. Gifts containing several layers of wrapping and dedicatory verses are thrown through windows and sometimes brought by strangers.

The process of gift-giving continues in much variation around the world. Italian children receive gifts from The Three Kings and Befana, an old woman searching for the infant Jesus. A black Santa Claus parades yearly through Harlem, New York. Finland's present gift-giver is the moustached, unbearded, Ukko, an old man in caps and furs. In Poland, a traditional "Mother Star" brings gifts and in Hungary, children look to the angels for their presents.

IN WACO

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Graham were in Waco over the weekend visiting with their daughter, Mrs. Samantha Anderson, and children, Misti and Cort.

Samantha's husband, David, was away on a business trip.

RETURNS HOME

Mrs. J.O. Corley returned home last week from Bowie after visiting with her sisters, Mrs. Edna Tucker and Mrs. Betty Coverhouse.

Strickland Rites Held Wednesday

Funeral services for Ida Strickland were held Wednesday morning, December 20, at ten o'clock in the First Christian Church with the Rev. Derrell Marion, pastor, officiating. Burial was in the Knox City Cemetery under the direction of Smith Funeral Home.

Mrs. Strickland, 92, died at 3:55 p.m., Sunday, December 17, in the Brazos Valley Care Home after a lengthy illness.

Born July 7, 1886, in Shatham, Louisiana, she married C.C. "Bo" Strickland on November 23, 1908, in Rochester. The couple moved to Knox City in 1929. Mrs. Strickland was a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Curley Strickland of Knox City and Ralph Strickland of Grand Rapids, Michigan; three daughters, Mrs. Algerine Logsdon and Mrs. Darlene Howeth, both of Knox City, and Mrs. Nina Duncan of Snyder; 29 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren, and six great-great-grandchildren.

Grandsons served as pallbearers.

WTC Sets Midwinter Session

SNYDER - College students may earn three hours of college credit by enrolling for the Western Texas College ten-day Midwinter session scheduled January 3-13.

Classes will meet for four and one-half hours per day from January 3-6 and January 8-13. Students may enroll for only one course, and a fee is required. A lab fee will also be required for students in News Photography (Journalism 230). Other courses on the schedule are English 132, English 231, English 232, Government 231, Government 232, History 131, History 132, and College Reading 131.

Registration for the Midwinter session will continue through December 22 and will be resumed on January 2 following the New Year's holiday. Late enrollment will be accepted from 8:30-9:00 a.m. on January 3. Classes are scheduled from 9:00-12:00 and 1:00-2:30 p.m.

IN GRAPEVINE

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Angle and Stacy, accompanied by their other daughter, Gwen and her son Clay of Lubbock, attended the Christmas show Saturday night at the Grapevine Opry.

The Angle Sisters performed on the shows and the entertainers' families were introduced as part of the Christmas festivities. The group also enjoyed a Christmas party following the performance with Opry association members.

While in Grapevine, they visited with Chisai and Joe Lindsey.

Influenza Infection Can Be Deadly

PHILADELPHIA - It's that time of year when virus infection, including influenza, occurs in various geographic areas with consequences from mild upper respiratory infection to pneumonia or death.

In a span of ten years (1968 to 1978) more than 150,000 excess deaths are estimated to have occured during epidemics of influenza A in the United States.

Evidence shows that influenza-related deaths are primarily among chronically ill adults and children and old people (over age 65).

Influenza goes under many names, Hong Kong Flu, China strain, Russian strains. Strains of influenza A are found more frequently than influenza B, but influenza B can also cause death.

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) of the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare, in Atlanta, Georgia, recommends annual vaccination for all persons at increased risk of adverse consequences from infection of the lower respiratory tract. This statement appears in the November issue of the *Annals of Internal Medicine*, the official journal of the American College of Physicians, the national professional association of more than 40,000 specialists in internal medicine and related areas.

Some people suffer adverse reactions to the vaccine. The influenza vaccine of 1978-79 has been associated with few side effects. It consists of inactivated trivalent preparations of three strains expected to be prevalent (A/USSR/77 (H1N1), A/Texas/77 (H3N2), and B/Hong Kong/172.

There are three types of systematic reactions to influenza vaccines:

1. fever, malaise, myalgia, and other systemic symptoms of toxicity.

2. allergic reactions due to sensitivity to some vaccine component.

3. Guillain-Barre Syndrome (Ascending paralysis).

According to the CDC, there is no evidence to suggest that influenza vaccination of pregnant women poses any special maternal or fetal risk.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I want two kites. I've been good. I'm in Kindergarten.
Merry Christmas,
Angie Staggs

Dear Santa,
Bring me some doll clothes, a puzzle, some boots, a ring and a dollhouse.
Love
Sara Lorenz

Dear Santa
I want some racing cars and i want some trucks.
From
Alex



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Merry Christmas

Dickens' "Christmas Carol" Recounted at Holiday Time

A Condensed Version of the Beloved Classic

One wintry Christmas Eve, Scrooge sat in his counting house, amused by his clerk, who was copying letters while attempting to keep warm with comforter and candle. Not once did he offer his employee a bit of coal for a warming fire.

Suddenly, the voice of Scrooge's nephew resounded, "Merry Christmas, Uncle! God save you!"

"Bah, Humbug!" replied the crotchety old man. "What's Christmas time to you but a time for paying bills without money, one year older and not an hour richer."

"Uncle," responded the nephew, entering the doorway, "There are many things from which I might have derived good, by which I have not profited. Christmas is one of them. It is a good, kind, forgiving, charitable time. God bless it!"

"Humbug!" replied Scrooge. "And good afternoon," as he observed his nephew leave.

This Christmas Eve found Scrooge at dinner in a nearby tavern, returning early to the quarters formerly occupied by his late partner, Marley. Suddenly, through the door descended Marley's ghost, who spoke to him. "In life I was your partner, Jacob Marley. It is required by every man that the spirit within should walk abroad among his fellow men. If that spirit goes not forth in life, it is condemned to do so after death."

Scrooge stood transfixed and answered, "Mercy! Dreadful apparition, why do you trouble me?"

Marley's ghost replied, "I am here to warn you that you have yet a chance of escaping my fate. You will be haunted by three spirits. When this happens, you will see me no more, but look to remember this destiny and what has transpired between us."



It was after one o'clock when Scrooge was awakened by the sight of a Spirit-Child. "Who are you and what is your business?" he demanded to know.

"I am the ghost of Christmas Past — here for your reclamation. Take heed," said the ghost, "Rise and walk with me."

Through time they traveled to events immemorial. Schoolboy, brother, apprentice, young man — Scrooge relived his past life, devoid of charity and holiday spirit. The vision eclipsed by current faces, the painful reality of Scrooge's cruel behavior confronted him and he cried, "Haunt me no longer," until sleep overtook him.

Awaking the next morning in the middle of a snore, Scrooge regained consciousness for the express purpose of conferring with a second messenger, dispatched to him through Marley's intervention.

"Spirit," said Scrooge submissively, "Conduct me where you will. I went forth last night on compulsion and learnt a lesson which is working now. Tonight, if you have aught to teach me, let me profit by it."

The Spirit answered, "I am the ghost of Christmas Present. Touch my robe." Scrooge did as he was told and held it fast. Invisible, they went into the town, stopping before the tattered cottage of Scrooge's clerk, Bob Cratchit.

Mrs. Cratchit, two daughters, and son Peter busied themselves with the preparation of a meager holiday meal and were soon joined by Bob and his crippled youngest, Tiny Tim.

Scrooge was moved by the poor family's plight, and questioned the Spirit, "Tell me if Tiny Tim will live."

The ghost replied, "I see a vacant seat. And a crutch without an owner. If these shadows remain unaltered by the Future, the child will die."

It was then the clock struck twelve. Scrooge looked about for the Ghost and saw it not. Moments later, he felt a mysterious dread and observed a tall, stately figure beside him. This Spirit neither spoke nor moved. Scrooge questioned, knowingly, "You are about to show me shadows of the things that have not yet happened. Is that so, Spirit? You are the ghost of Christmas Yet To Come."

The Spirit inclined his head, pointed forward and lead his captive to the churchyard graves, pointing to the one marked EBENEZER SCROOGE. Horrified, the namesake addressed the Phantom, "Spirit, men's courses foreshadow certain ends to which, if persevered, they must lead. But if the course must be departed from, the ends will change. Say it is thus with what you show me!"

The Spirit remained unmoved and pointed its hand from man to grave.

"Spirit," Scrooge cried, "I'm not the man I was. I will not be the man I must have been but for this intercourse. Why show me this if I am past all hope! Good Spirit, your nature intercedes for me and pities me.



Assure me that I may change the shadows you have shown me in an altered life!"

The kind hand trembled.

Scrooge continued: "I will honor Christmas in all my heart and try to keep it all year. I will live in the past, the present, and the future. The Spirits of all three shall strive within me. I will not shut out the lessons they teach." Scrooge saw the phantom hood and dress shrink, collapse, and dwindle into a bedpost.



The bedpost was his own. The bed his own, the room his own. Best and happiest of all, the time before him was his own to make amends in! Scrooge spent Christmas visiting his nephew and saw to it that various charities provided food for their dependents.

When Bob Cratchit came to work the day after Christmas, his employer greeted him: "A Merry Christmas, Bob! A merrier Christmas than I have given you for many a year! I'll raise your salary, and endeavor to assist your struggling family, and we will discuss your affairs this very afternoon."



Scrooge was better than his word. He did it all and infinitely more; and to Tiny Tim who did NOT die, he was a second father. He became as good a friend, as good a master, and as good a man as the city knew. He had no further intercourse with Spirits, but ever afterwards, it was always said he knew how to keep Christmas well, if any man alive possessed that knowledge. May that truly be said of us, and all of us!

And so, as Tiny Tim observed, God bless us everyone!



HOLIDAY FOOD CUSTOMS FROM AROUND WORLD

Among the greatest pleasures of the holiday season are the many delicious foods prepared at this time.

Old World recipes make Christmas meals and holiday parties truly special. Handed down from generation to generation, such festive treats are holiday traditions in many American homes as well.

Austrians are famous for creating Salsburger Nockerl. Like a souffle, the lemon-flavored egg-and-butter cake should be served straight from the oven. Topped with powdered sugar, Nockerl is a delightful breakfast or dessert treat.

Steam-baked Regal Plum Pudding is a British holiday tradition. The bread, suet, fruit, and nut mixture is generally baked in a decorative mold, making a lovely centerpiece before serving.

Popular Norwegian treats at Christmastime are the cookies known as "Medaljer," or medallions. These cherry-decorated cookies and butter cookies are Norwegian favorites for the holidays.

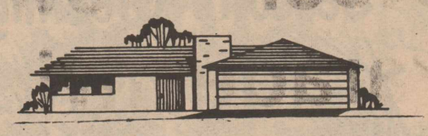
Although the Greek Christmas Day begins with fasting, evening dinner is by no means a meager meal. "Ovo-Lemono," a savory egg-lemon soup, is served with Christoposomo, an elaborately shaped yeast bread that's a must in every Greek household at holiday time.

The New World has its own holiday food tradition, of course. For a main course, American roast turkey and chestnut stuffing is a popularly featured entree.

Whether inspired by the Old World or the New, holiday foods add to the enjoyment of one and all.

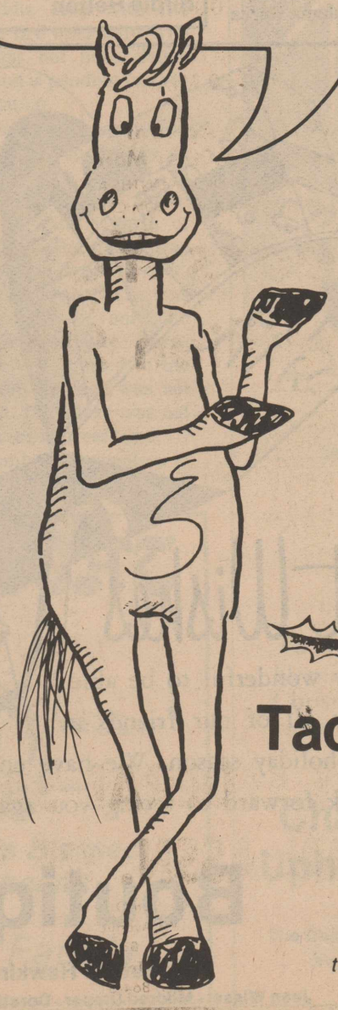
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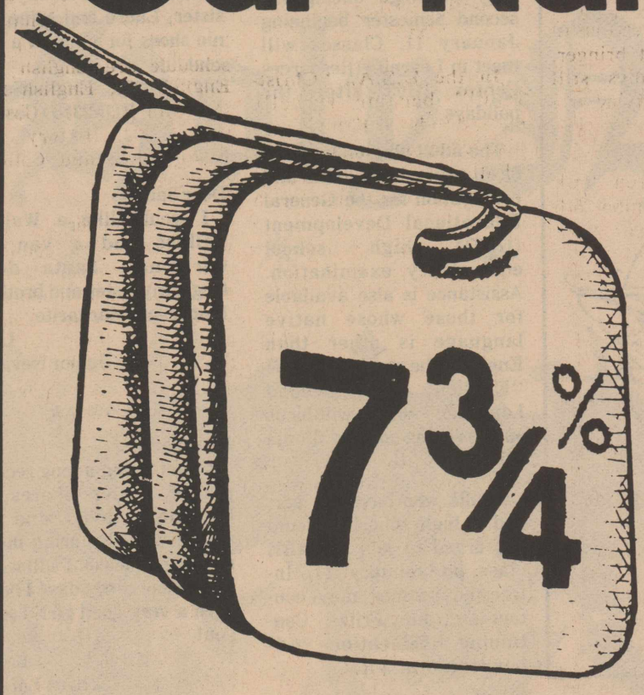




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SERVICES OF THE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

We were greatly blessed in the revival held at the Knox City Church last week. Elder Leon Ward preached during the three nights meeting.

On Monday night Elder Ward preached from II Chron.20:11,15 and Ephesians 6:10, "The Battle is the Lord's."

On Tuesday night he preached from Matthew 6:33 and 6:25 down, "First Things First," and on Wednesday night from St. John 15:10 and other verses, "Lord Give Us that Love that will Operate at al Times."

On Thursday night the Rule Church started their Choir's Rain hour dedicatoral services. the Heavenly Voices sang beautifully with visiting choirs and singers singing beautifully also. They are doing an excellent job under the supervision of Missionary Nettie M. Ward and Missionary Sue Washington, the president. Elder Polk of Haskell preached Thursday night, Elder Session preached Friday night and Supt. A.C. Bennett preached Saturday night.

Sunday School had a good attendance. In the morning service Sis. Carlene Manuel brought the lesson.

Service was held at the Mission in Haskell on Sunday evening. Elder Major Johnson preached a great message, "Jesus Christ."

ABE Classes Set At VRJC

Students attending the Adult Basic Education classes at Vernon Regional Junior College will begin classes again at 7:00 p.m. Thursd, January 11. Classes will meet from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday evenings during the second semester beginning January 11. Classes will meet in Learning Resources Center B103 after the holidays.

The adult classes focus on basic educational skills and preparation for the General Educational Development (GED) high school equivalency examination. Assistance is also available for those whose native language is other than English. The emphasis of the "English as a Second Language" course will focus on improving conversational skills.

Adults who have not earned a high school diploma are urged to join the ABE class on January 11. Interested persons may contact Dr. Jim Fritze, Continuing Education Administrator at VRJC

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa
I want a doll, an oven. I want a kitchen, a bike, some skates, a skateboard, a puzzle and hat, a dog, a bubble bath, shirt and a book
Love
Jennifer Grindstaff

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Dear Santa,
I want three trucks that haul dirt. That's all I want. I like to play with dirt.
I love you,
Junior Perez

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Dear Santa,
I want a digital derby and an electrical football game and a Marzon Robot.
Also, a shoot out in space.
I'm six years old and I'm in Kindergarten. I can say my A,B,C's.
That's all I have to say.
Merry Christmas,
Three Vasquez

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Dear Santa,
I want a Charlie's Angel's Doll and some Kiss Dolls and a Baby Come Back. I want the doll that you push on his stomack and the hair comes up. Thats all.
I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Paula Large

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Dear Santa,
I want a Big Wheeler Race track, a truck, some men with the truck, a skate board, and a bike.
Love,
Tony Diaz

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Dear Santa,
Bring me a camera with cartoon pictures in it. Bring toys and a racing car. I want Santa to bring me a little game and a doll for my baby sister, Laure and some tennie shoes for me and a new coat.
I like Santa,
EDMUND Casillas

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Dear Santa:
I would like a Walkie-Talkies and a van for Christmas. Santa don't forget my sister and brother, Laurie and Margarito.
Love
Junior Nevarez

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Dear Santa
I want a sing-a-long record player, roller skates, a ballerina doll, and a nightgown. Also bring me a new dress please. I will wear it to school every day! I have been a very good girl. I love you!
Love,
Sara Lorenz

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Dear Santa,
Bring me cowboy things, a Bionic man, 2 guns with that belt thing.
I have been a good boy. I wish you have a good day. I like Santa because he brings toys.
I love you
John Lomeli

Santa Claus
North Pole

Dear Santa,
I am a little Mexican boy in the first grade. My teacher calls me "Burrito." I am good most of the time - once I hid a boy's shoe but I gave it back to him. Please bring me a red bicycle - Estoda - Gracias -
Love,
Jaime Aguayo

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Dear Santa,
I want a Strech Monster, and Armstrong, punching bag and gloves, Star Wars, Hot Wheels, and Smash-Up-Derby.
Love,
Chris Roddy

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Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good. Please bring me a baby wet doll and a good puppy, too. Bring Dan some star wars stuff, too. I will leave you a snack. I love you. I am five now.
Shelly Balis

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Dear Santa,
I want a race car track because my brother don't let me use his. I want some chaps and a new vest. I want a pellet gun and some pellets. Bring my Mama a trash can. Bring me some plastic blocks like we have in Kindergarten. I've been good Santa. I'm glad you'll bring me some toys.
Justin Emerson

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Dear Santa,
Please bring me a race track and a motorcycle track. I love you and I will leave you some cookies and doughnuts and milk.
Cory Steckler

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Dear Santa,
I want a Big Wheel and a bike. I want me a race car track.
I love you,
Darnell Robinson

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Dear Santa,
I want a present. A tractor.
Will Vacek

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, a baby doll and a doggie and a kitten, a truck, a book.
Tonya Manuel

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a monkey, and a billfold. I want some shoes too. I want a play car for Nichole. I've been real good.
I love you,
Lisa

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Dear Santa I am 7 years old
I have been a good Boy
So could you bring me this list of stuff for Chrismist
Drun and a race car set
And a train and a Big loder.
And a dump truck
And a mechine gun
Think you love Ray Fly

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Kim Moore, I am nine years old, and I'm in the third grade. Would you please bring me a tape recorder, some extra tapes, Baby Wet and Care, a real baton, Robot its a 2-X-L, and the writing, reading, and arithmatic tape that gos with it, the game Blip, a football, Holly Hobby typewriter, a high chair for my baby, suits for Super Star Barbie, some extra clothes for my baby. I live in Knox City, Texas.
Thank you,
Kim Moore
P.S. Would you send my mother a watch?

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Dear Santa,
I have tried my best to be a good boy this year. My mother thinks so, too.
Please bring an Adventure Buggy, a Fisher Price Adventure people with Van, and a Mickey Mouse watch for me.
Mommy and I live in a new house this year. We live at 1207 So. 3rd now. We will leave some cookies and milk out for you.
Merry Christmas to you and Mrs. Claus.
Love,
Casey Lee Proffitt

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Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Danny Sosa and I have been a good boy all year.
For Xmas I would like for you to bring me a new bike, and a lot of toys. Anything you want to bring me.
Danny Sosa
P.S. I will leave some cookies and milk for you.

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Dear Santa,
I want a baby wet and care, Barbie clothes, "I Dream of Jeanie" doll in her bottle, a record player and records. Also a doll swing and doll blankets and furniture, and stroller.
I wil leave you some cookies and hot choclate so you can be warm
Love
Starla Whitaker

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Dear Santa,
I am Jennifer - I'm 6 years old, I live in Knox City. My sister, Melissa is 16 months old - she has been bad, but bring her toys too.
I would like any kind of baby doll, an easy-bake oven, and 8-track tape player and a doll house.
Melissa wants a talking telephone, a riding toy, a play-like puppy and a doll too.
Thank you.
Love,
Jennifer & Melissa Garcia

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Dear Santa,
I want a doll and bike for Christmas. I have been a nice girl and I'm in the first grade.
Love,
Sulema Garza

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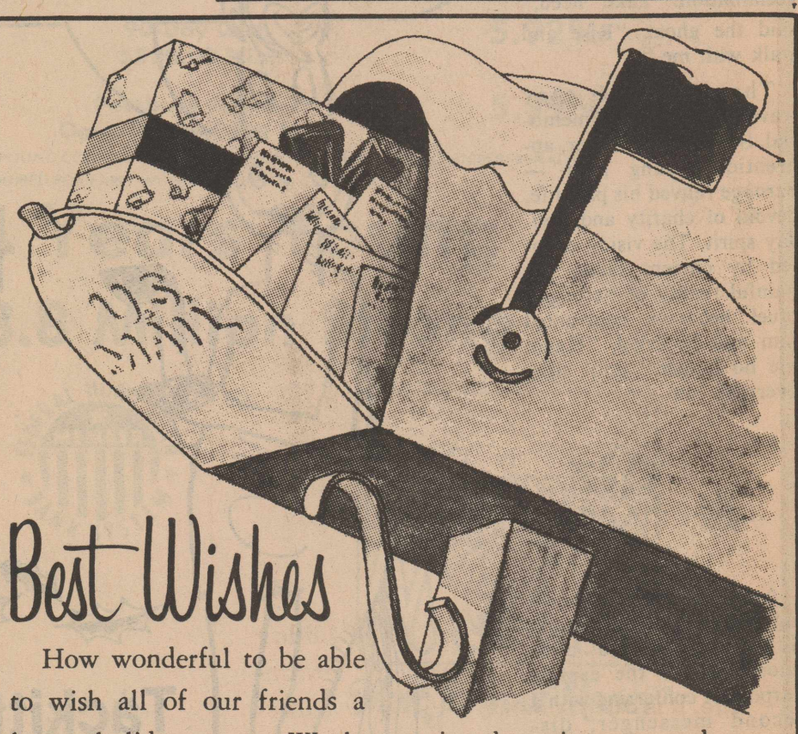
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Santa To Visit Pre-School Today

Sleigh bells are ringing a few days early as Santa Claus makes an appearance today (Thursday) at the annual Early Childhood Christmas party. Assisting Santa (Shane Johnston) in corralling and entertaining the eager group of pre-schoolers will be Mrs. Vera Newton's high school Home and Family Living class. Members of the class are Skipper Jackson, Danny Johnson, Jimmy Rushing, Richard Ashcraft, Becky Rojas, Tony Rios, Diane Martinez, Olga Magana, Joyce Hernandez, Kandy Grindstaff, Phyllis Casillas, Simone Cobb, Linda Reynolds, Brenda Albus, and Nina Alsides.

The Early Childhood classes meet Tuesday and Thursday mornings for group activities and twelve of the group receive individual home visits during the week by the Early Childhood teacher, Mrs. Joanna Delgago. The students have been busy this month making the decorations for their tree at school. Last week, they wrote their letters to Santa and last Thursday the group took them to Santa's mailbox at the News office.

Three-year-old class members are Amy Carver, Zachary Cornwell, Jacy Dillon, Ruben Garcia, Julie Gentry, Steve Ledesma, Rob McIlhaney, Tonya Manuel, Jarred Pepper, Melissa Perez, Jason Quintanilla, Christy Rios, Tracy Rios, Carrie Rogers, Alesha Rutherford, Stanley Strickland, Brian Tankersley, Andy Verhalen, and Hanna Williams.

The four-year-old preschoolers are Shelly Balis, Kimberly Chambers, Michelle Garza, Holly Ivey, Chad James, Abel Johnston, Ramon Lerma, Amy Logsdon, Shea Manuel, Roger Marion, Margarito Nevarez, Tricia Rios, Armando Rodriquez, Missy Rodriguez, Rita Sanchez, Kandon Sloan, Cory Steckler, Robert Strickland, Will Vacek, Bradley Verhalen, and Becky Wilson.

Mrs. Evelyn Balis is party chairman and will be aided with the refreshments and party favors by the mothers, including Janie Perez, Sue Marion, Ginger Johnston, Maribeth Williams, Linda Carver, Melanie Dillon, Carolyn Sloan, Ann Steckler, Rosie Nevarez, Imelda Rodriquez, Sherry Speck, Lucinda Garza, Teresa Rios, Dora Rios, and Dana McIlhaney.



PRE-SCHOOL STUDENTS visited the News office Thursday of last week to deliver their important Santa letters. Assisting with the group are members of Knox City's Home and Family Living Class.

VRJC To Offer New Courses

Two new courses will be offered this semester by the Division of Communications and Fine Arts at VRJC. The new classes are "The History of Motion Pictures" and "Music Theatre Workshop." Both classes are being offered at night and anyone with an interest in movies or musicals is encouraged to enroll.

"The History of Motion Pictures" will cover the origin of movies from 1895 to the present. The class will also include the study of film as a major art form of the 20th century, the technique aspects of film making and film criticism. A major motion picture, representing the different genres in film, will be shown each week in class. Some of the scheduled films are: "The Birth of A Nation," Chaplin's "The Gold Rush," "Stagecoach" with John Wayne, "The House of Wax," the classic musical "Top Hat," and the epic war film "The Brige On The River Kwai." The course should prove to be informative as well as enjoyable.

If one wants to perform instead of just watch, then the "Music Theatre Workshop" will give them the opportunity. This course will concentrate on the various aspects of producing a stage musical from concept to reality. The class project will be the production and performance of the very popular "Fiddler On The Roof." If readers want to sing, dance, act or build scenery then "Music Theatre Workshop" has something to offer.

Munday Office Opens 20th Year

The Munday USDA Cotton Office opened its 20th year of operation December 11. According to Sidney Ferrell, in charge, this is the latest opening date in the history of the office.

Prices being offered ranged from 1200 to 1350 points above the current CCC loan prices.

Market activity was slow. Grades 51 and 41 each accounted for 37 percent of the cotton classed this week. Grade 31 and 32 each accounted for 4 percent and grade 42 was 13 percent. Staple 32 was the predominant staple with 54 percent. Staple 33 accounted for 31 percent and staple 31 was 14 percent. Mike readings were 97 percent in the base range of 3.5 to 4.9.

About 2700 samples were classed during the week ending December 15. At this time last year the office had classed 130,000 samples.

EARLY CHRISTMAS

Enjoying an early Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Sutton, Barry and Rob, were their daughters and their families, Jan Sutton and Jackie Perry, both of Abilene, and Sherry Faulk and sons of Thorndale.

Other guests included Jan's friend, Nancy McGuire and her son Spencer, also of Abilene. Jan and Nancy are both registered nurses at Hendrick Medical Center.

Hospital News

Patients Dismissed Since December 9, 1978

Knox City: Fred McWhorter, Terry Bateman, Elaine Lewis, Dicie Singleton, Roy Montgomery, Keith Coale, Jimmy Tankersley, Dave Whitford
O'Brien: Cathy Holmes and Baby Girl
Munday: Esperanza Bolanos and Baby, Odis Mitchell, Florine Wilde, Grace Moorman, Annie Holder
Rochester: Easter Hastey, R.A. Shaver
Truscott: Beatrice Baty
Benjamin: Era Brown, LuElla Tolson
Seymour: Lois Keck, Mary King and Baby Girl, Clara McAfee
Sagerton: Tommy Robertson
Rosenburg: John Reed
Altus, Oklahoma: Bobby Miller

Patients In Hospital As Of December 16, 1978

Knox City: Kaithen Coale (re-admitted), Alestine Flye, Carolina Escobedo
O'Brien: Steve Rojas, Serena Johnston
Munday: Mary Cabrera, Clair Wilde, Keith Burnison
Rochester: Anita Collier and Baby Girl



May the spirit of the Holy Night bless all.
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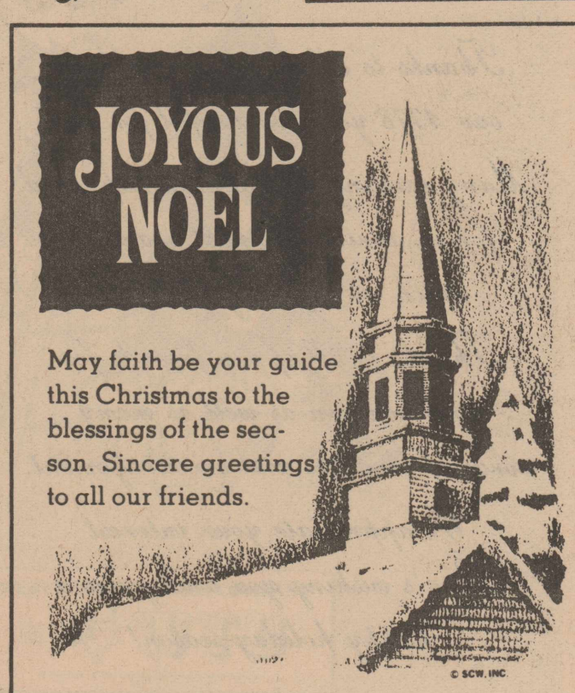
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KC Study Club Celebrates Christmas

The Knox City Study Club held its Christmas Dinner Party Thursday evening, December 14, at seven o'clock in the Community Center.

Guests present which included husbands and friends of the members were Ottis Cash, C.C. Hoge, J.C. McGee, Z.I. Smith, James Patterson, Lewis Kay, Ruby Magee, Elizabeth Wilson and Mary Beth Smith.

Members present were Sudia Cash, Wretha Fitzgerald, Libbie Hoge, Lena McGee, Gladys Reed, Charlotte Griffith, and Helen Patterson.

Vice-president Sudia Cash was in charge and James Patterson gave the invocation.

A covered dish dinner was enjoyed by the group and hostesses were Gladys Reed, Ruby Magee, Opal Hutchinson, and Libbie Hoge.

Program director was Charlotte Griffith and Sudia Cash read Clement Moore's account of his writing of the poem "Twas The Night Before Christmas."

Mrs. Griffith, accompanied by Elizabeth Wilson, sang "The Holy City" and James Patterson gave a Christmas devotional. The group also sang a number of Christmas carols led by Mrs. Griffith.

Roll call was answered to "A Christmas Tradition In Our Home" which brought many Christmas memories and also prepared the group for the traditional exchange of gifts and visiting and exchanging Christmas wishes.

FROM MIDLAND

Gordon Bowley and Sam of Midland visited their grandmother and great-grandmother, Mrs. Bill Bowley, in The Knox County News office the first of the week.

Garden Club Observes Christmas

The Knox City Garden Club met Tuesday afternoon, December 12, at two o'clock in the Community Center for a Christmas gathering.

Mrs. Ottis Cash, club president, gave "The Happy Thoughts of Tiny Tim." According to Ruby Robinson, club reporter, she stated in her own words he thought he made everyone happy by just being seen and said "God Bless Everyone."

Roll call was answered by 17 members with a Christmas wish. Mrs. Robinson, who was also program chairman, introduced Mrs. G.W. Coats, Mrs. C.C. Hoge, and Mrs. Joe Averitt, who gave an interesting program on "Holiday With Flowers." Flowers included were poinsettias, holly, narcissus, and roses.

Christmas decorations were used throughout the room including a silver tree trimmed with red crocheted bells and red beads.

Refreshments of cookies, nuts, and punch were served from a table centered with an arrangement of red poinsettias and a Madonna. A white net cloth with red and green bells glistened with colorful sequins.

Hostesses were Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Robinson, and Mrs. Arthur Crownover.

Program Set To Improve Government

"The recent tax revolts calling for holding a line on government spending and limiting future tax increases illustrate why we need the Texas Management Intern Program (TMIP)," comments Gregory Moore, State Coordinator with the Texas Merit System Council.

Moore's eyes light up as he continues, "TMIP is designed to attract graduates who have received special training in managing public programs and policies. With the public's dissatisfaction with the services they are receiving for the tax dollars they are spending, there is a great demand for effective managers who can control costs and improve services."

The goal of the program is to place 25 outstanding public management graduates in one-year internships with Merit System agencies.

To become an intern, an applicant must be a recent graduate or graduate student in public management and be nominated by his school dean. The nominee is then interviewed by a panel.

Those applicants scoring highest will be available for employment in one-year management internships in state agencies served by the Texas Merit System Council. Individuals who successfully complete their internships will be eligible for regular Merit System appointments.

According to Leo Brockmann, Director of the Texas Merit System Council, "The Federal plan, on which the state effort is based, was formulated by Dr. Alan K. Campbell, U.S. Civil Service Commission chairman and former dean of the LBJ School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas at Austin."

The Merit System Council is the closest agency Texas has to a civil service system. Operating under federal guidelines, Merit System Council provides personnel for ten state agencies that receive certain federal grant-in-aid funds.

Names of individuals making the top ten scores for a particular classification are placed on the register according to rank. When a member agency has an opening, it requests the list for interviewing.

Participating are the Employment Commission, Air Control Board, Commission on Alcoholism, Governor's Committee on Aging, Surplus Property Agency, Drug Abuse Division, Disaster Emergency Services, and the Departments of Health, Human Resources, and Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Jones Leads WF Poke Balloting

Wichita Falls-area Dallas professional football fans differed with the selection of Strong Safety Charlie Waters as winner of Oak Farms' 1978 "Favorite Cowboy" contest.

As far as the local fans voting in grocery stores where Oak Farms products are sold and serviced from the Wichita Falls branch of Texas' largest home-based dairy are concerned, Defensive End Ed (Too Tall) Jones is No. 1. Waters, the overall winner, finished in third place in the Wichita Falls section of the state.

The five top-ranking Dallas players in votes from Wichita Falls-area grocery store ballot boxes and the vote totals of each are:

1. Ed Jones, defensive end, 1,820.
2. Cliff Harris, free safety, 702.
3. Charlie Waters, strong safety, 416.
4. Roger Staubach, quarterback, 376.
5. Randy White, defensive tackle, 363.

Munday Man Air Force Grad

WICHITA FALLS - An official at Sheppard AFB has announced the graduation of Airman Richard A. Moore from the U.S. Air Force's electrical power production specialist course conducted by the Air Training Command.

Airman Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard L. Moore of 241 E. Main, Munday, is now trained to operate and maintain electrical power generating equipment, and will serve at Reese AFB, Texas. Completion of the course earned the individual credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the community college of the Air Force.

The airman is a 1977 graduate of Munday High School.

Yard Of Month Is Selected

Yard of the month for January was selected recently by members of the Knox City Garden Club and the honor was awarded to Mr. and Mrs. R.P. Barnard.

The yard was selected for its neatness, trimmed shrubs, beauty of the planter boxes, and Christmas decorations and lighting.

Mrs. J.C. McGee and Mrs. Gordon Melin, committee members, made the selection.

Harvey Reynolds Here For Holidays

Harvey Reynolds, student at Mt. Vernon Bible College in Mt. Vernon, Ohio, arrived in Dallas Saturday night where his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Reynolds, met him to return him home.

Harvey will spend the holidays here, returning to classes January 10.

Your Social Security

SSA FRAUD

James Harper, branch manager of the Vernon Social Security office, today announced a Social Security Fraud Conviction in the Southwest Region.

Harper stated that Marie L. Nutter of Jasper, Arkansas, pled guilty today in U.S. District Court of Harrison, Arkansas, to one count of concealing material facts in order to draw Social Security benefits to which she was not entitled. Mrs. Nutter had earlier been indicted on 18 counts of unlawfully drawing Mother's and Child's benefits by concealing the marriage of her daughter.

The maximum possible sentence for each count in this case is $1,000 fine and/or one year in jail, and that sentencing for Mrs. Nutter is scheduled for mid-December.

WORKERS EARN SOCIAL SECURITY CREDITS

Beginning with 1978 workers earned one work credit, or quarters of coverage as they are called, for each $250 of earnings in a year, stated James Harper, branch manager of the Vernon Social Security Office.

This new law applies to wage earners as well as self-employed persons. Beginning with January, 1979, each worker will have to earn $260 of earnings in a year. Persons can still only obtain a maximum of four quarters in a calendar year. Therefore, a worker would have to earn $1,040 in 1979 to earn his four quarters.

Domestic employees are excluded under these new changes and are reported quarterly if they earn as much as $50 a calendar quarter.

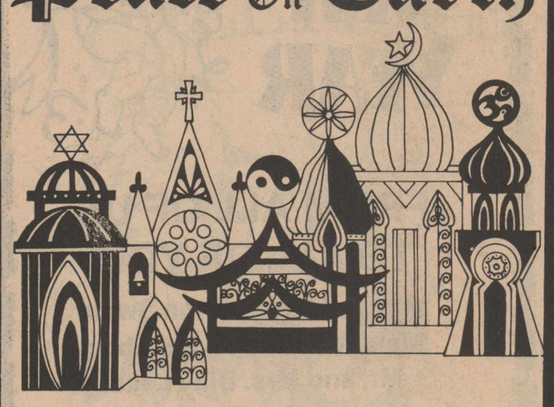
All of the other wage earners will receive their social security quarters based on the yearly earnings reported on their W-2 form. Therefore, it is very important for workers to make sure they receive a correct W-2 from each of their employers during the calendar year.

The self-employed person will still report his net profit when he files his tax return.

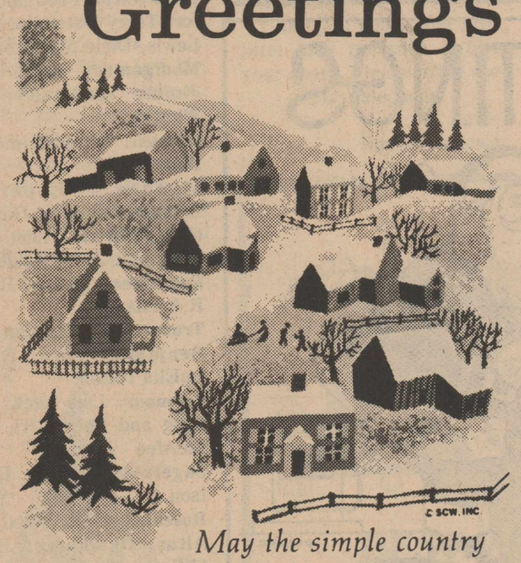
If persons have any additional questions about earnings "quarters of coverage," they may contact the Vernon Social Security Office at 1701 Cumberland. The phone number is 817-552-9346.


HAPPY HOLIDAY!
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Greetings
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First Baptist Church
John Gillispie, Pastor

Greetings

May the simple country joys of Christmas be yours! Happy holidays to you and your family!
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To Our Friends At Christmas


Thanks to all of you for making our 1978 year wonderful for us.
Many exciting things have happened for us during the past year for which we are very grateful.
Thanks to all of our friends for your concern as well as many words of kindness and encouragement.
We appreciate your interest.
Here's wishing you and yours a happy holiday season!
The Angle Sisters

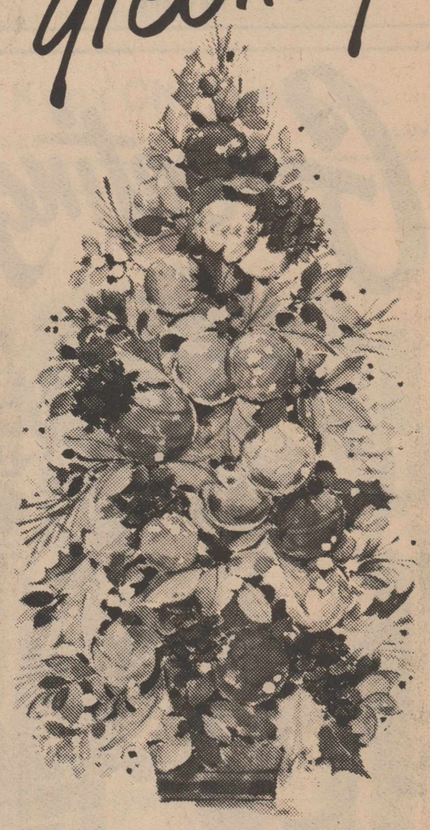
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A Child's Christmas...

The Legend of The Very First Poinsettia

Have you ever seen a poinsettia? It's a beautiful, red flower with a yellow center, that people like to decorate with at Christmastime.

There is a lovely legend about how the poinsettia came to be and it begins in Mexico, a country that is just south of the United States.

There was a young boy who was very sad one Christmas Eve. You see, in his little town it was the custom to offer gifts to the Christ Child. People would come to the church on Christmas Eve and place their gifts upon the altar.

But Manuelito, as we shall call him, was very poor. He had no gift to bring before the Infant Jesus.

Too shy to go inside the church without a gift, he knelt outside a window and began to pray. We don't know what Manuelito said, but perhaps he was telling the Holy Infant how sorry he was that he did not have a gift to offer. For that is what prayer is, you know; talking to God.

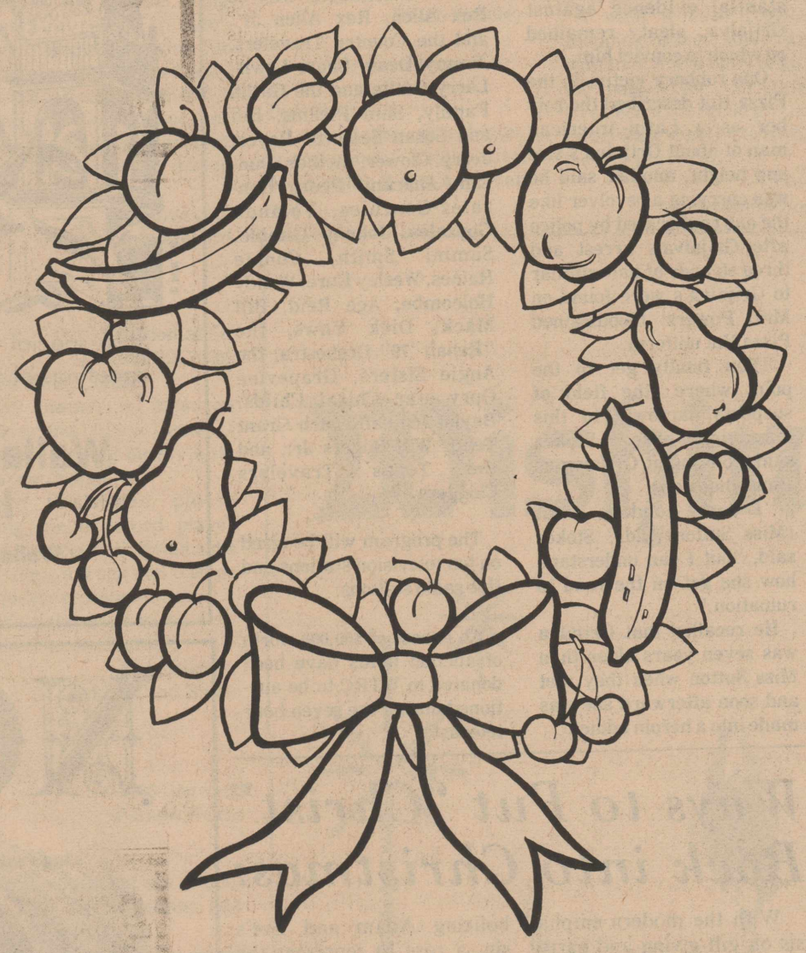


As he rose to his feet, he noticed a beautiful red flower growing in the very spot where he had knelt. Amazed, he bent down to examine the flower. He had never seen one like it before.

Suddenly he realized that this lovely flower was a gift from heaven, an answer to his prayer!

Joyfully, Manuelito plucked the flower and carried it inside, to lay before the altar.

And that is why the poinsettia is known as "The Flower of the Holy Night" in Mexico.



COLOR THIS CHRISTMAS WREATH!

Away in a manger,
no crib for his bed,
The little Lord Jesus
laid down His sweet head:
The stars in the heavens
look'd down where He lay,
The little Lord Jesus
asleep in the hay.





A Christmas Project for the Youngsters

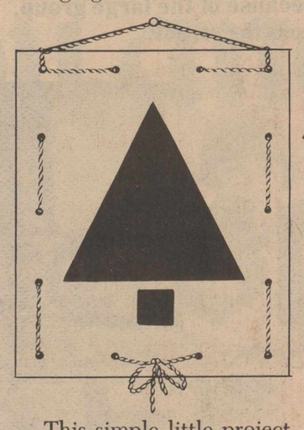
Children love making decorations and Christmastime is an especially good time to put that creative energy of theirs to work!

Here's a holiday project that they will enjoy, because it is so easy and afterwards, they will have a charming decoration for their room:

Start with two 9 x 12 felt squares, (these are obtainable already cut, if you like) one red, one green.

Construct a triangle for youngsters to use as a pattern, by drawing a 6" line on cardboard, then drawing another line in the middle of straight line at a right angle, to 6" height; connect the 3 points to form a triangle and cut out.

Have youngsters cut green felt to this pattern, also cutting a small square (about 1 x 1") to serve as tree stand. Using double-faced tape or glue, have them affix "tree" and "stand" to red felt. Now have them tape or glue the whole thing onto 9 x 12 cardboard. With a single-hole punch, let them punch holes around border of red felt (4 on top and bottom, 5 on each side will do) and then give them green yarn to draw through holes, with yarn tied into bow at the bottom. They can then tie a shorter piece of yarn to end holes on top, for hanging.



This simple little project will keep children amused for quite awhile and give them a feeling of accomplishment as they view their work of art.

Good Tidings



The Legend of The Christmas Angel

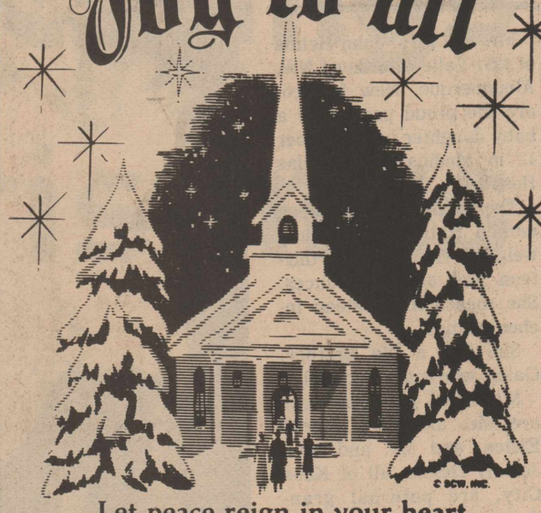
There is a beautiful legend about how Mary, the mother of Jesus, chooses children each Christmas to sing carols for the Holy Babe.

O Come All Ye Faithful



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Joy to all



Let peace reign in your heart,
Let joy abound!
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Silent Night



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Shea and Santa
Christmas 1978

Merry Christmas

A Christmas Prayer: Let us rejoice for the Prince of Peace is come again, bringing us a renewal of faith and hope.

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THIS GROUP of first grade students along with teachers Louise Kemletz, at right, and Earlene Austin, came to the News office Monday to mail Santa letters in time to reach the North Pole. Because of the large group, ol' Santa's mailbox was temporarily moved across the street.

Look Who's Here

Mr. and Mrs. John Helms of 1251 Valle Alto Court NW, Albuquerque, New Mexico, are the proud parents of a baby daughter born October 13 in Medical City Dallas Hospital.

The young miss has been named Natalie Somer and weighed five pounds, thirteen and one-half ounces. She measured nineteen inches in length.

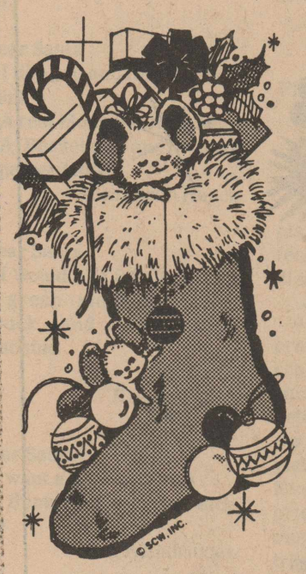
She has a big brother, Galen, who is six years old.

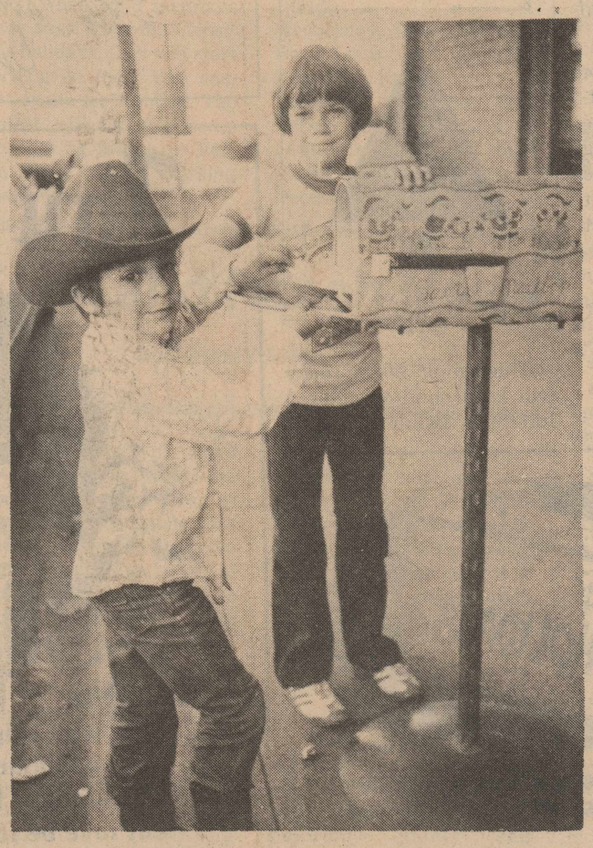
Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Elston, and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Helms, all of Knox City, are paternal grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Robby West of Wichita Falls are the proud parents of a baby daughter born Wednesday, December 6, at Wichita General Hospital.

The young miss has been named Cami Camille and weighed seven pounds, five and one-half ounces. She measured twenty and one-half inches in length.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Helms of Knox City, and Mr. and Mrs. Alva West of Henrietta are paternal grandparents.





FIRST TO mail their Santa letters this year were Dusty Bradley, left, and his brother, David. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Max Bradley.

Basketball Results

Varsity Boys

Friday, December 15

Goree 59
Knox City 39
Rushing 1, Walling 10, Roberson 12, Counts 4, Tackitt 4, Johnson 8.

Varsity

KC 12 9 18 11 = 53
Throckmorton 4 6 2 7 = 19
Rhonda Skiles 12, Kay Howell 4, Mary Albus 8, Tammie Helton 8, Mindy Hutchinson 3, Brenda Albus 2, Gaylynn Burkham 4, Angelia Reid 10, Kelly Watson 2.

KC 12 13 10 6 = 41
Hawley 12 13 16 14 = 55
Rhonda 12, Mary 14, Mindy 4, Brenda 2, Gaylynn 7, Nina Alsides 2.

KC 8 10 6 12 = 36
Hamlin 10 12 10 8 = 40
Rhonda 16, Mary 10, Mindy 6, Gaylynn 2, Angelia 2.

Junior Varsity

KC 5 14 2 8 = 29
Goree 6 6 6 5 = 23
Ruthie Trice 5, Nonie Johnson 8, Kelly Watson 8, Chayo Garcia 6, Rhonda Redwine 2.

Junior High
Eighth Grade

O'Brien 16 7 7 8 = 38
Aspermont 6 2 0 2 = 10
Delores Stafford 6, Mary Garcia 4, Diane Helms 6, Sharon Roberson 14, Kristi Boone 2, Toni Hewitt 2, Jerri Grimsley 4.

Seventh Grade

O'Brien 6 9 10 8 = 33
Aspermont 2 2 1 7 = 12
Daveine Holcomb 2, Rita Ramos 11, Mary Garcia 6, Nedra Oudems 2, Della Robinson 8, Nancy Jones 2, Tina Alsides 2.

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May your Christmas be filled with good will, abundance, and the tranquility of faith.

Cordelia Woodward

Glad Tidings



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JURY FINDS GRIJALVA GUILTY

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lengthy jury charge, Cave made it clear that Miss Sutton was a "legal accomplice" to Grijalva.

"She on the stand confessed she was a liar," Roper said. "Four times she's told the story (of Mrs. Power's murder) and four times it's come out different. She has a lot to hide from you. She hasn't come clean yet."

Roper recited the list of contradictory statements Miss Sutton made - to Albuquerque police after she surrendered, to Amarillo detectives after she was returned to Texas, to a gathering in 181st District Court and on the stand in Cave's court.

More than 90 percent of the state's case was based on the credibility of Miss Sutton, who is "a confessed liar," Roper said.

In a calm and steady argument ending the state's portion of the guilt-innocence phase of the trial, Potter County prosecutor Dick Stokes said he was "not particularly proud of (Miss Sutton) either. She's just what was there. She's the one who was there and saw it."

Stokes said if jurors cared to discard Miss Sutton's testimony and proceeded on the state's strictly circumstantial evidence against Grijalva, plenty remained on which to convict him.

One robbery victim in the Pizza Hut described the robber as a Latin-American man of about Grijalva's size and height, another said he was carrying a revolver like the one confiscated by police after Grijalva's arrest and three strands of hair similar to Grijalva's were found on Mrs. Powers' bloodstained Pizza Hut uniform.

"You finally get to the point where (the field of suspects narrows) to this man right here," Stokes said, pointing at Grijalva as Hanna had done.

"I don't condone what (Miss Sutton) did," Stokes said, "but I can understand how she got on the road to ruination."

He recalled that Grijalva was seven years older than Miss Sutton when they met and soon afterward she was made into a heroin addict.

REBATES

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than the $181.64 received for the same period last year. Payments to date for 1978 are $719.87, an eight percent decrease from last year's $789.56.

Rochester had a net payment of $2,214.75 compared to last year's $2,101.39. Payments to date are $8,521.03, reflecting a four percent decrease from last year's $8,884.10.

Other net payments for this period include Haskell, $17,090.98; Seymour, $16,683.55; and Stamford, $20,947.77.

The sales tax is collected by merchants and other sales tax permit holders along with the state sales tax and is rebated monthly to cities in which it is collected by the Comptroller's office.

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REHAB

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Entertainers for Rehab '79 have been lined up, Smith announced at the meeting. The telethon is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Saturday, January 6, 1979, until 2:00 a.m. Sunday, January 7, in the Abilene Civic Center and San Angelo Convention Center.

The entertainers will be Rex Allen, Rex Allen Jr., and the Country Travelers, Jimmy Dean, Shari Lewis, Larry Gatlin and the Gatlin Family, Slim Pickins, Bill and Susan Seaforth Hayes, Jerry Clower, Arthur Duncan, Anacani, Pedro Gonzales-Gonzales, Yolanda Gonzales, Johnny Gimble, Sammi Smith, Connie Haines, Wesley Eure, Wendy Holcombe, Ace Reid, Bill Mack, Dick Yaws, the "Rehab '79" Orchestra, the Angle Sisters, Grapevine Opry star Chisai Childs, Baylor football coach Grant Teaff, Will Rogers Jr., and the Texas Travelers Cloggers.

The program will be aired on ten television stations and five radio stations.

An excess of $50,000 worth of auction items have been donated to WTRC to be auctioned during the seven-hour telecast.

Ways to Put "Christ" Back into Christmas:

With the modern emphasis on gift-giving and partying at Christmastime, it's no wonder youngsters and adults alike tend to forget what the season is really all about. There are many ways a family can attempt to put renewed emphasis on Christmas as a celebration of the coming of the Savior, however.

One charming custom you can initiate in your own family circle is the making of a Jesse Tree during Advent, the four weeks before Christmas. This tree is named after the ancestor of Jesus because of the Old Testament verse: "And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek; and his rest shall be glorious." (Isaiah 11:10)

A small tree or large branches can symbolize the root of Jesse from whence the Christ Child came. Have the youngsters in your family draw and cut out Old Testament symbols from construction paper, to be hung on the Jesse Tree.

Appropriate symbols for your Jesse Tree could be a crown or six-pointed star to represent David, tablets symbolizing the Ten Commandments, an ark to represent Noah, an apple symbolizing Adam and Eve's sin, a rose to represent the mother of Jesus, and a sun to symbolize Jesus, the light of the world.

Read portions of the Old Testament to the youngsters before they create their Jesse Tree symbols. This will help them to understand what the symbols mean and also help them understand the history of God's people.

When Christmas comes, suggest that the youngsters put on a pageant, with the help of Mom and Dad. (You might invite neighbors in to see the pageant, too.) The story of the Nativity doesn't require a large cast and family members can take on several "roles" if necessary. Even the family dog can get into the act by standing in for Mary and Joseph's donkey!

Another excellent way of celebrating the arrival of Christmas is by visiting a nearby hospital or convalescent home and taking gifts or singing carols.

Merry Christmas

Christmas JOY



May Peace be with you and your loved ones this special holiday season. Our best greetings of the season to eveyone.

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May the glory of the Peace of Christmas always be with you. We have enjoyed working with you in the past and hope that you will continue to honor us with your patronage.

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Beloved Carols Add to the Joy Of The Season

There is melody in the air, resounding in song. Christmas is the perfect time for musical expression! Many popular holiday songs were originally written to impart the knowledge of the birth of Jesus and the meaning and merriment of Christmas. These songs became known as "carols," derived from the French word "carole," meaning round dance. Early carols were simple songs with primitive dance accompaniment.

The first documented American Christmas carol is thought to have been written for the Huron Indians by St. John Brebeuf, a French missionary. This carol, now translated to English, remains part of Christmas song and dance in modern Quebec, Canada.

The custom of Christmas caroling dates back to the 16th century when singing groups traveled from home to home, wishing friends and neighbors the best of the season. Though greeting cards have replaced the necessity of in-person greetings, the tradition of door-to-door caroling is still widely practiced today.

Group singing is now included in religious and other services — emphasizing the importance of Christmas carols and their contributions to the spirit of the holiday season.

Most of us would agree that Christmas and the whole world is brighter and more meaningful when music is used to express the beauty of this holy and happy Yuletide season.





For unto us a child is born,
unto us a son is given:
and the government shall be
upon his shoulder:
and his name shall be called
Wonderful, Counsellor,
The mighty God,
The everlasting Father,
The Prince of Peace.
ISAIAH 9:6

HOLIDAY CUSTOMS 'ROUND THE WORLD

The joy that pervades the Christmas season throughout the world is evident in beautiful ethnic customs.

Sweden's Christmas season begins December 13th, the feast of St. Lucy. A young girl dresses as the beloved patron, with a crown of candles upon her head. A festive breakfast of cake and coffee is served and signals the start of the holiday season.

The French and French Canadians largely continue the practice of attending Midnight Mass. The service is followed by an elaborate supper with family at home.

Christmas Eve's first star indicates the time to begin the customary holiday meal, or Wilia. The elaborate dinner, breaking a pre-Christmas fast, is served in the midst of a straw-filled room. An empty place is kept at this manger-like setting, for the Christ Child.



Italians recreate the nativity scene in homes and churches with a "Preasepio." The colorful tableaux depicting the manger scene, is set in a place of honor during the holidays.

Norwegians create a special "Christmas Tree," gleaned from a shaft of grain and bound to the top of a pole. This gleaning tradition remembers birds in a special way. Cattle are also remembered at this time with special fodder.

The meaning and joy of Christmas survives today through these treasured customs. These rituals serve as a constant reminder that there is no other celebration as wonderful as Christmas!

IN HOLCOMB HOME

Mrs. Jo Frances Howeth and children Wendi and Brandon of Graham visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Drew Holcomb this week.

They were here to attend funeral services Wednesday for Mrs. Ida Strickland.

FROM MULESHOE

Mrs. R.H. Elliott of Muleshoe visited her sisters-in-law, Mrs. Jo Strickland in Munday and Blanche and Clifford Elliott Thursday night and Friday of last week.

Merry Christmas!

JOYOUS HOLIDAY GREETINGS



There's no place like home for the holidays! May you and your family enjoy a bright and merry yuletide!

Bridges Oil Co.
Knox City, Texas



Greetings

Have a very Merry Christmas!

Penman Conoco
Knox City



JOYOUS YULE

We wish you the best of the Holiday Season with a Christmas filled with love and peace.

Dean & Bill Johnston

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Let's join in singing His praises sweetly! "Gloria in Excelsis Deo"!

Larson's Prescription Pharmacy
Larry, Beth, and Hazel



May the sounds of Christmas . . . happy children's laughter, crackling lighted fires, melodious tolling bells . . . bring song to your hearts.

Smith Funeral Home
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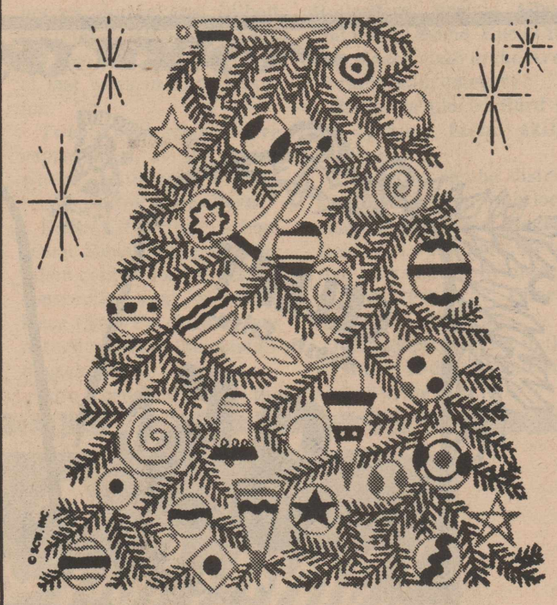


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May the feeling of peace be with you throughout this holiday season and for all the years to come. We give you our thanks and the best wishes for a wonderful holiday!

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The Herbert Bellinghausens

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!



May your holidays be trimmed with bright baubles of good cheer and sparkling lights of merriment.

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As we reflect on the past year, we appreciate so much our many friends. We would like to invite all of you to come by Saturday, December 23, for punch and cookies from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

SEASON'S Greetings

It's the time for holly and candlelight...for gifts under the tree...and to recall both old and new friends with affection. We sincerely hope that you enjoy the holidays!

Bob & Bobbie Harrison
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Ruth McElroy
Junior Figueroa
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