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THE LOCKNEY BEACON

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The Spirit of Christmas

by Katherine Edelman

I AM THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS! Today I rule over the world as no king or queen ever ruled. I hold gifts in my arms that no ruler ever held and I scatter them with a lavish hand. I am loved by my subjects with a love that has no hint of fear, for they feel that I am working for their happiness.

WITH my magic hand I heal the hurts in many hearts. I pluck out by the roots the resentments and rancors that make men unhappy. I bring peace and understanding to hearts that know it not. Along my way I scatter seeds of faith, of hope, of love, that will spring up and bear fruit after the last echo of my footsteps shall be heard. I leave behind me beautiful memories to enrich and gladden, unnumbered dreams to make men more happy.

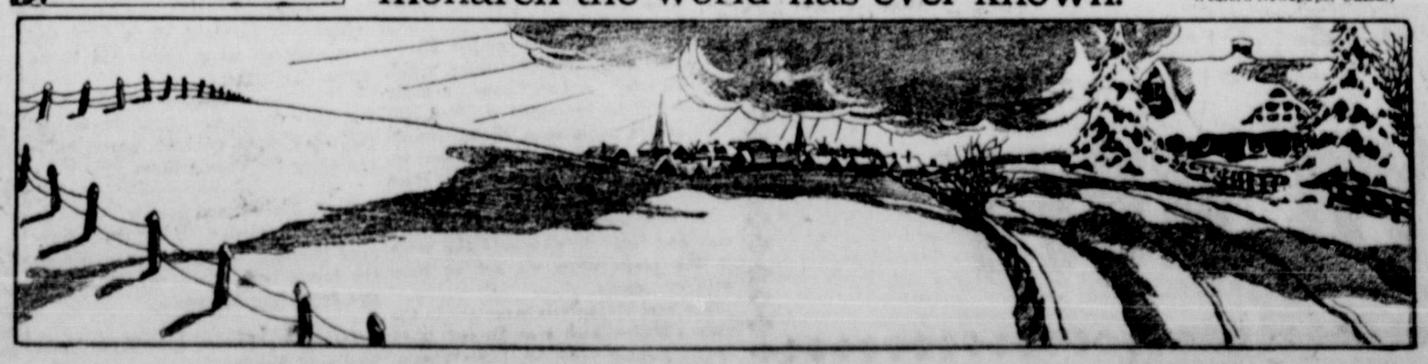
WITH my touch I create new friendships—I strengthen those that are already formed and make more dear and more precious the ties of home and kindred. To the little children I bring joy beyond telling, happiness beautiful to behold; to their elders I bring again the faith they knew in childhood. I am the instigator of thousands of loving messages that go from friend to friend, from kin to kin. I have breathed something of myself into each and every one of the gaily tied packages that are coming to every home.

THE mantle that I wear is broad and encircling enough to cover the whole world, to give to every heart a shelter and protection from fears and doubts, from hates and mistrusts, from all the things that keep men and women from their heritage of happiness. Within its folds I welcome every class and creed, every race and color—for all of them I have comfort and warmth.

I AM the Spirit of Christmas—broad, tolerant, loving! Everywhere today my presence is felt—my power is unlimited, my word supreme! I rule the world from land to land and from shore to shore. I am welcome in every home and at every hearth—the most loved and most welcome monarch the world has ever known.

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WRESTLING

MONDAY, Dec. 21th

ISIS THEATRE, Lockney, Tex.

THE TURK

"MAMOUTH"

OF SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, ——— WEIGHT 160 POUNDS

VS.

YOUNG BRITT

OF LOCKNEY ——— WEIGHT 165 POUNDS

These wrestlers will meet at the ISIS THEATRE in Lockney in a finish bout. Mammouth is plenty tough, and meets Mantel in Amarillo Friday Night, 14th.

A BIG BATTLE ROYAL BETWEEN 5 NEGROES

This will be one of the funniest boxing matches ever staged in Lockney. Five Negroes all boxing at the same time and each one looking out for himself. It will be a roar from start to fin sh. There will also be other good preliminaries before the main bout.

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18-YEAR OLD GIRL OF LAMB COUNTY ASSAULTED

LITTLEFIELD, Dec. 11.—Semi-conscious and suffering from many wounds and bruises, Bethel, 18-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Dillen, who reside 6 miles north of this city, is tonight trying to describe the man who assaulted her shortly before 5 o'clock this afternoon, while a posse composed of some 300 men and boys, headed by officers from several counties, are scouring the country for the girl's assailant.

The condition of the young woman was described as serious by attending physicians at a late hour tonight. All efforts to revive her have been futile. At times she answers questions propounded to her, but before any great amount of information is given she will pass into a state of unconsciousness.

That the man was a stranger in the community there is no doubt. The young woman says she had never seen him until the moment he entered the home and attacked her. She was alone at the time, and was unable to resist him.

The many pieces of briken furniture indicate that a mighty struggle took place before the reviser finally accomplished his purpose. Chairs were broken, curtains pulled down and tables turned over. The young woman does not remember when the struggle ended. She knows that a white man attacked her, beat her unmercifully and then left her to die.

Her parents and other members of the family were away from home attending an auction sale at the time of the tragedy and upon their arrival found the young woman on the floor in an unconscious condition.

Officers were notified and they hastened to the scene of the crime.

News of the tragedy spread like wild fire, and by 10 o'clock almost every man and boy within a radius of ten miles were taking part in the greatest man-hunt ever known in the county.

Bloodhounds were sent from Lubbock and every possible effort will be made to apprehend the criminal charged with the dastardly crime.

GOING! GOING! GONE!

"Going, going, gone! Three times, I'm sold!" sang Mr. Zeb Reed to the tune of dollars and cents as he auctioned off the pies te the pie supper at Aiken Friday night, December 11. Good bidding and better buying were followed by the best of eating. The merrymakers were directed where to find hot chocolate with which to wash down their pies and help made them the kind that melt in your mouth. The weather man seemed to have a fellow conspirator with Mr. Reed for he made the mercury fall just low enough so that every body wanted hot chocolate. So between them both the pies and chocolate brought home enought coppers, silver and greenbacks to amount to $65. But they will not remain mere dollars and cents for very long for they are to be turned into basket balls, swings, and other playground equipment. Now you know how a pie can turn into a basket ball.

DEE BENNETT'S HOME BURNED MONDAY MORNING

The home of Dee Bennett, in the southeast part of town burned about 7 o'clock Monday morning, the building and practically all furniture being totally destroyed. The fire was caused by a stove being knocked over by Mr. Bennett, while he was attempting to break a stick of wood, which he had placed against the stove and tried to break into by stomping it. The stove was overturned setting the wall on fire, the fire getting between the walls, where it could not be extinguished.

The house belonged to Mrs. W. W. Fulks, and was insured for $800.00. Bennett had $450 insurance on the furniture. A sewing machine, talking machine and some clothes were saved.

CONSUMERS FUEL ASSOCIATION ORGANIZED WEDNESDAY

Stockholders of the Consumers Fuel Association of Lockney met Wednesday evening at the Isis Theatre and formed a permanent organization. R. E. L. Muncy was elected president, Paul Sims vice president, Tell Nix director, L. A. Cooper director and John Smalley director.

The official board will meet at an early date and appoint a manager and select a site for the plant. Erection of plant will begin at once. It is expected that the business will be in operation at an early date in January.

PROGRAM FOR THE INTERMEDIATE EPWORTH LEAGUE

Topic—Why Did Jesus Come Into the World?

Leader—Wade Mangum

Song—Joy to the World, the Lord Is Come.

Song—O Come, All Ye Faithful.

Scripture—Luke 2: 1-20

To Show Us the Father—Hazel Gruver

To Reveal the Father's Love—J. T. Rea.

To Show Us the Way—Lawrence Brotherton

To Seek and Save the Lost—Corine Sherbet

Bring your bibles.

SAND HILL NOTES

On Wednesday night December, 23, Sand Hill P. T. C. Society will present their first, "Little Buchshot," for the beginning of their new season tickets. The season tickets are good for the next eight plays.

Come prepared to buy a season ticket the first play and be one of us and don't pay regular admission. You will help us and we believe at the end of the season you will appreciate the effort we have made and know that you have received your money's worth.

"Little Buckshot" is a three act drama and requires 2 1-4 hours for presentation. The story centers around a government scout who trails down a morman and brings him to justice for the crimes he has committed. Come and get a glimpse of what we westerners think of Mormans.

We are trying to have a real program for the first one of the new series. A quartette composed of Misses Eubank and Ruby Tinnin and Ed Holmes and Mr. Clauch, with Mrs. Steen at the piano who will give several popular song selections.

We will have the auditorium equipped with electric lights to help make the play more real.

The cast of eleven characters in "Little Buckshot" are: Misses Ola Hanna, Eva Lee Alexander, Bonnie Mickey, Mable Teems Messrs. Leonard Holmes, J. L. Spear, Will Simpson, Clyde Cates, Herman Cates, Oliver Holmes and Bill Dooley.

Come Wednesday December 23,

On December 25, Christmas night, "Willowdale" a two hour comedy drama will be presented at Sand Hill high school auditorium as the second play in the series. The reason we are presenting these plays so close together is to have some good wholesome entertainment during Christmas and helps to eliminate the work on the plays when we are so busy with our crops.

The cast of twelve characters in the play, "Willowdale" are: Misses Alma Smith, Bonnie Freeman, Ruby Tinnin, Messrs, Arthur Womack, Jim Holmes, Arthur Womack, sr., Ed Holmes, Arthur Walling, Mason Riley Faye Moore, Elvi Embry and Jim Holmes.

If you miss these plays you will miss the best we can give you.

HERE ON RAILROAD MATTERS

J. B. Russell and P. O. Woods of Quitaque were in Lockney Monday, comparing their contract with the Denver Road with the contract between Lockney and the Denver South Plains Railway contract.

They stated Quitaque was ready to sign up and Mr. Russell has gone to Fort Worth to deliver the contract to the Denver officials.

Petersburg has also signed their contract with the Denver Road.

LONE STAR HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Lone Star Home Demonstration club met December 8.

The subject of the meeting was Xmas candies. Miss Bass was absent but we had a regular get-together and made candy. We meet again December 22. Every body come and help fix up our club room. We will have the material at the school.

PRAIRIE CHAPEL NEWS ITEMS

Our school will turn out Wednesday afternoon of the 23rd for the Christmas holidays. We will take up school again on the 4th of January.

On Tuesday night December 22, there will be a program given at the school house. Everybody is invited.

The boys' basket ball game which was played at Sand Hill Friday afternoon ended with a score of 13 to 46 in favor of PRAIRIE Chapel.. The girls did not get to play.

Mr. Nocholas and sister, Beatrice, will spend the Christmas holidays at their home in Seagraves.

Mr. and Mrs. John Carthel will leave tomorrow for Gunter, Texas, where they will spend Christmas with Mrs. Carthel's parents.

Mr. R. L. Brown, Harold McLaughlin and Cecil Brown will spend Christmas vacation in the mountains of South Texas hunting deer and other game.

Miss Ruth Cooper will leave Wednesday afternoon for her home at Lubbock to spend Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooper and children will spend Christmas with relatives at Clarendon and Lilie Lake.

DENNY-PUCKETT

Mr. Walter Denny and Mrs. Mary Puckett were united in marriage Sunday afternoon about 3:30 o'clock at the home of Rev. R. E. L. Muncy, south of town, Rev. Muncy performthe ceremony.

The couple will live on a farm 11-2 miles north of Lone Star, where Mr. Denny is farming.

AT THE METHODIST CHURCH "EMBROS"

This little phrase may be Greek to you, but in plain English it means, JUST ANOTHER STEP FORWARD and that is what we want to do in church work. We want to take just another step forward.

Let the forward step be a great increase in the attendance at church services. You do your bit by bringing one person with you next Sunday and that will help us in. "JUST ANOTHER STEP FORWARD."

Get the church going habit. You will find a welcome.

Services 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Rev. T. J. Rea.

FALLS FROM MOVING CAR, MAN IS KILLED

LAMESA, Dec. 11.— Mr. L. N. Biggs, who resides in Santa Anna, Texas, died today from results of injuries received Thursday night while en route here from Big Springs.

He stepped from a moving car eight miles south of here sustaining a fractured skull from which he died two hours later in the Loveless-Bennett Hospital of the city.

Biggs was accompanied by Mr Bobo who were en route to Roswell, New Mexico, for a loa dof apples.

Granville Wyatt, driver on the Red Star Stage line brought the injuried man to town.

The body is in charge of the Rix Undertakers, who will ship the body to his home.

Biges is survived by a wife and four children who reside in Santa Anna.

Luther Harris was here the last of the week from Lubbock where he is attending the Tech college.

E. R. Harris and family moved to Lockney Saturday, from their farm near Pleasant Valley, and now occupy the home they purchased some time ago from Gay Morgan.

Frank Barber was down from Hereford over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Eubanks of Floydada were here Sunday visiting relatives.

Cris Seaman and family and Larry Baker of Altus, Oklahoma, were here Sunday visiting the Baker families.

France Baker and family of Lubbock spent Sunday here visiting relatives.

Miss Ina Collins, who has been attending the Christian College at Abilene, is here spending the holidays.

Mr. T. J. Marshall left this week for Fort Worth, Dallas and Greenville to spend the Christmas holidays. He will attend a family reunion at Greenville.

Cherub Serves as Santa's Assistant

Task Is to Aid Merry Old Kris During His Christmas Rush.

By CHRISTOPHER G. HAZARD



HE LOOKED like a Cupid or a cherub without any particular business on earth, but he was assistant to that merry genius who has so much business at Christmas time that he doesn't know what to do. His task was to trudge about with bundles in the interest of happy sights and greetings. Mr. Inkworthy's printer made a mistake when he said that the boy came from a "foudling" asylum, but the word fitted his mission if it did fail to point out his source. Inkworthy's proofreader was as incorrigible an errorist as old Mr. Suit, the tailor, who told Doctor Pillsbury, when he complained that one leg of his pantaloons was creased in front while the other was creased on the side, that pantaloons would sometimes work that way.

"Are your hands sticky?" said the Cherub to small Sarah, as he pulled a doll out of his pack. "Not quite," said the young mother, as she pressed the new daughter to her heart. In the other room was a real baby, who was crying for even more than he was worth. "He wants some mamma," explained his sister, and forthwith the messenger summoned her. She was really glad to see him again, for it was he who had given her the deepest wish of her heart the Christmas before when he brought the crying youngster to her house. It was a child that the world needed on Christmas day. God knew that. Sarah had remarked on that occasion, "God is almost as good as Marfa," alluding to the character of her nurse.

His visit to Mr. Flint pleased the Cherub, for he purposed to bleed him. Having no relatives, the old man had thought that he would escape, but he was eventually argued and wheedled out of three gifts, a crutch for rheumatic Tom Foley, a cane for his father and a bundle of clothes for his wife. Mrs. Foley found the bundle full of change, bightuns for best, tightuns for second best, and scrub for rainy days. She was delighted. At the next house the Cherub was cross-examined by the three-year-old mistress of a manse. Everybody else was out for the moment, so that the young learner had an unhindered chance to increase her stock of wisdom. The conversation was as follows:



His Visit to Mr. Flint Pleased the Cherub.

Mistress: "What's in the can?"

The Cherub: "That's white paint."

"What you goin' to do wif it?"

"I'm going to put it on the wall."

"How are you goin' to put it on?"

"With a trush."

"Why are you goin' to pit the paint on the wall?"

"To make it all nice and clean and white?"

"When are you goin' to do it?"

"Tomorrow."

"Is that the paint?"

"Yes."

"Is it white paint?"

"Yes."

"Where's the wall?"

"Over there."

"Are you goin' to pit it on a wall?"

"Yes."

"So it will be nice and clean and white?"

"Yes."

At this point the Cherub produced a jumping jack and bestowed it upon the inquisitive infant, but as a new hail of questions began with "What's that for?" and as evening drew on, he concluded to call it a day's work and retreated.

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Upon Christmas Day

By WILLIAM LUFF, in The Christian

A STAR peeped forth upon Christmas Eve,
And told of that other Star:
Whose beams shine bright, through the world's dark night,
And scatter the shadows far.

A snowdrop bloomed upon Christmas Day,
And told of that spotless flower:
Whose perfume pure, should all frosts endure,
And brighten Earth's wintry hour.

The bells rang out upon Christmas Day,
And their message came a call
To worship the Son of the Highest One,
Who came with good will to all.

The holly berries on Christmas Day,
Blushed red in their fadeless green:
For their coral red, shewed the blood-drops shed.
As they shone the barbed leaves between.

A feast was spread upon Christmas Day,
And mirrored the feast He spread,
Who was born that He might our Banquet be,
The True and the Living Bread.

A son came home upon Christmas Day,
A son from a far off land:
And he told once more, of God's open door,
The kiss and the welcoming Hand.

A babe was born upon Christmas Day,
And the speechless infant told,
Of the manger Child, that in beauty smiled,
On that first glad day of old.

Christmas Giving and Being Happy

How Yuletide Problem Was Solved in Most Satisfactory Manner.

By KATHERINE EDELMAN

JOHN WARNER and his wife sat talking in the living room of their little bungalow until the clock on the mantel struck the midnight hour.

"Good gracious John!" Ellen said, "I had no idea that it was so late."

"That's because you were so interested, dear," John answered; "when it comes to making plans for Betty you forget time and everything else."

Ellen reddened ever so slightly. She knew that what John said was true for ever since Betty had come to them, now nearly six years ago, her whole life had been wrapped up in the child. Hers was such a passion of mother-love that sometimes she grew almost frightened at its intensity, and often when John had laughingly teased her about forgetting him for Betty her conscience smote her.



And now she had talked John into letting her buy the big doll that had been in Harwell's window since the holiday season opened. John had tried to tell her that the small gifts they had already purchased would be enough for Betty, but finally he had given in to her pleading. She agreed with him that twenty dollars was a big sum to spend for a doll, but Betty was Betty and deserved it.

For the Warners were poor—not poor in the utter, abject poverty that flaunts its face to the world unshamed—but poor in the poverty that means worn and threadbare carpets, clothing grown thin and shiny from long usage, and a careful pausing before the spending of an unnecessary penny. Somehow, since Betty came they had never been able to get ahead; there was always something needed for Betty and she had always gotten it.

Next morning Ellen left the house early, with the wonderful twenty dollars in her purse. Betty had been left next door, all unconscious of the errand her mother was on. Half way to town two women entered the car and sat back of Ellen. They were of the loud, overbearing type of women, overdressed and contemptuous of those who possessed little of material things. Scraps of their conversation came to Ellen at times through the maze of her busy thoughts.

"I think it's perfectly awful, I do," one of them was saying, "the way some women do. It's really sinful in these days to be dowdy. A woman's got to wear good clothes to be anybody, and believe me, it's the dowdy women who walk alone."

"You've just said it," her companion answered. "As I tell George when he kicks about the bills, a woman has got to dress nowadays or get nothing out of life."

The words sank into Ellen's brain as her eyes were scanning an advertisement at a crossing: "Be fair to yourself, buy your millinery at Madam Courteau's." And as other words of that ilk floated back from the women they began to stir up a queer feeling inside of Ellen Warner.

Her glance traveled to her dress, her shabby, mended gloves, and her face began to burn as she thought of the little hat she was wearing. She tried to shake off the feeling that was upon her and to get her mind back on her mission, but somehow everything seemed different now in the light of the strange unrest that was filling her heart. "Was she a little fool, as these women had said. Was she fair to herself? Had she, in the little mean things that were her everyday portion and which until now had seemed to her veritable things of delight, cheated herself out of all that meant so much to other women? Had she really been fair to herself in sacrificing so much for her child?"

The car pulled up with a jerk. She alighted quickly and made her way toward Harwell's. Suddenly she stopped short. A sign overhead caught her eye: "Be fair to yourself—buy your millinery at Madam Courteau's." Then her gaze traveled to the window with its array of tempting millinery. And as she gazed her breath began to come quickly, her hands to open and close with nervous, twitching movements. For a little hat in a dull shade of blue caught her eye. She was gazing at it fascinated, for as the sun outshines the stars, so to Ellen did this particular hat eclipse all the others in the window. Somehow, it seemed to her at that moment as if she had been wanting a hat like that all her life. The little pink rosebuds that nestled around the crown seemed to call and beckon to her, and almost before she realized what she was doing she was inside the store and asking to see the hat. The saleslady, with all the art that was hers, placed it with a skillful touch on Ellen's head. And as Ellen looked in the great mirror she saw a face that was flushed to a rose-pink with excitement, and above it the much-wanted hat, which seemed to be a very part of herself, so thoroughly becoming it was. She wanted the hat so bad! The soft, lovely colors brought out all the charm of her fair loveliness and she thought how much John would like to see her as she looked now. The thought of her husband brought another thought to her, too. Perhaps all these years, while they had been sacrificing and skimping, he, too, had wished for and wanted many things. Surely he must have! Not, perhaps, things like women cared for, but other little luxuries that many of her friends had. She remembered now how longingly he had often looked toward the golf links—what a big thing it would be if Christmas would bring him the things necessary to play the game. The city maintained a free course not far from their home. And if she wanted so badly to spend twenty dollars for a hat, surely John, who was seeing and hearing things every day, must often have wanted something pretty badly, too. She thought now how wonderful he had always been—never a word of complaint, but always cheery and happy. She realized now, with a bitter feeling at her heart, that she had not been fair to him—she had given their child more than her share of the little they had. But from now on things were going to be different—John must have the best. Betty had many years ahead to enjoy things, and besides she realized now it did not take expensive gifts to please children.



With hands that trembled Ellen reached up and took the hat from her head and, not daring to look at it again, hurriedly left the store.

That Christmas was a very happy one for the Warners. For, although Betty did not get the big doll, she seemed just as pleased and happy as a child could well be. And Ellen felt a new glow at her heart when she presented John with his Christmas gift, for he was as jubilant as a boy about it. Her sacrifice had been indeed worth while—what did a becoming hat matter when put beside the happiness she felt just now?

But the good Christmas fairy must have been watching all, for an hour later John's boss called up to wish him a merry Christmas and to tell him that Old Man Jinson was going to resign and that John would have his place. A wonderful Christmas surprise it was, for it meant an extra five hundred a year to the Warners. Which made it probable that Ellen got her much-wanted hat, after all.

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THE MISTLETOE

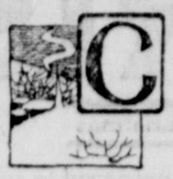
"NO MISTLETOE is needed if the heart is in the right place," people say. But neither is there any real need for a Christmas tree, a special Christmas dinner, a worn-out feeling from doing too much around the Christmas season. There is no actual need of all this. Yet if it were not for all these there would be less happiness and more and more happiness is always needed.

So do not discard the mistletoe. There may be love without it, but it lends a romance, a charm of its own that no heart can dispense with.—Mary Graham Bonner.

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New Experience for Santa Claus

By W. D. PENNYPACKER



CAPTAIN and Mrs. Pickering promise to play Santa Claus. They love to do a little towards making the day bright and spreading the holiday spirit. Christmas after Christmas they had taken some part—if not for the children, then for the sick or aged—but always some part.

This time it was different. They, themselves, nervously awaited the day. It was to be unique. They were to help in a festive occasion at a state's prison. They were to carry gladness and the spirit of Christmas with them and radiate it within four sombre stone walls. It seemed almost impossible.



The Pickerings were to impersonate Santa and Mrs. Santa Claus. When the time arrived and everything else was in readiness Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus found there was but one way to get into the assembly hall to create the proper effect. That was by climbing three tiers of fire escape and entering a window. This was the plan chosen as there was no dressing room in connection with the hall and no place where Santa and his party could be detained in comfort throughout the first half of a lengthy program without being observed by all.

To climb three stories of fire escape on a winter's night with ever so small a bundle is difficult enough, but to ascend the cold iron stairway each with a large basket or bag filled with oranges and candy, and to have to replenish their supply through this same dangerous way was almost more than they bargained for or were, indeed, able to do. It was work, and Captain and Mrs. Pickering never denied it.

When Santa poked his bewhiskered head through the window and dragged his lumbering bundle after him there was a hum of suppressed voices, and a marked increase in noise and merriment when Mrs. Santa appeared.

All the time they were distributing candy and fruit they were besieged by questions from the crowd, and replied with as much spirit and gaiety as the place and the condition of the assembled audience would allow. It is but fair to say that Santa and Mrs. Santa both enjoyed their visit to that unusual place, and that they lingered longer than their usual custom on holiday visits.

Christmas is always a day of joyful interest, and Santa was glad to look squarely into the faces of the many gathered in that hall that night. In spite of the clouds and mists of circumstances that engulfed them his visit during that holiday season seemed to have touched a chord that was welcome in the memory of each. Countenances at first hard, softened with the recollections of happier years. Flashes came into eyes that bespoke all that is good, and ambitious, and noble. Regrets, and remorse, and sorrows—if there were any—were this day swallowed up in the more sentimental and romantic myths about Christmas.



That was a memorable day for Mr. and Mrs. Pickering. They had given a little of themselves in their desire to cheer others, and in doing so the chimes of gladness were started with renewed vigor in their hearts. They had learned something, too. They were wiser. They became conscious that there is no soil so dark that it will not respond promptly to the sunshine and gladness of Christmas. The almost instantaneous change in the expressions of many faces was entirely convincing. Christmas had come, and again it had impressed the old, old message of peace and good will to men.

When the Pickerings went back to their own comfortable home that night and sat in front of a welcome log fire they were conscious of wishing that this good spirit of Christmas might last throughout the entire year. It doesn't, of course, for human nature will be human nature while the world lasts. And they felt grateful for the sense of good will which it had brought them, and hopeful that it might linger with them for many weeks, at least.

As for the scores of persons who that day had seen their first Santa Claus since their happy childhood days in the old home, there can be no question but that their hard, unresponsive feelings were temporarily swallowed up in the more tender, humanizing strains of the shepherds' hymn:

Glory to God in the highest,
And on earth, peace, good will to men.

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Mrs. Penniger posses a very sweet and powerful voice, and will be remembered for a long time to come, for the sweet songs that she rendered at the Chamber of Commerce banquet. Everyone who attended the banquet was thrilled by her charming voic. Lockney folks who wish to hear their own over the radio can tune in Friday evening from seven to nine. Station W. D. A. G.

Baker Mercantile Co. and the City Drug Store will tune in for the benefit of home folks and anyone wishing to hear the program may do so by going to either place.

CARD OF THANKS

Dear Friends:

I take this method of thanking each and every one who lent a helping hand or sympathized in the least with me and my family during my recent illness. I shall ever feel grateful to one and all, and as I fail to find words to express my gratitude can only say again thanks, thanks.

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$24.50 Suits or Overcoats,	$23.50
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FOR SALE—Good Horses and mules. E. Guthrie.

The Methodist ladies will hold a bazaar Saturday, Dec. 19th, in the lobby of the First National Bank. The poblic is invited to come and buy your Christmas gifts at this bazaar. 2t-c.

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SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY
Twenty-Second Dividend

The regular quarterly dividend of one dollar and seventy-five cents per share on Preferred Stock will be paid on Friday, January 1, 1926, to Stockholders of record at the close of business on Saturday, December 19, 1925.

R. A. NICKERSON,
Treasurer.

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CITY ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE PARKING AND TRAFFIC ON COLLEGE AND LOCUST STREETS, BETWEEN MAIN AND WEST 1ST STREETS.

Be ordained by the City Council of the City of Lockney, Texas;

Sec. 1. That after the passage of this ordinance, it shall be unlawful to park cars, trucks, or other vehicles on the South side of College Street, between Main and West 1st Streets.

Sec. 2. All parking done on College Street, between Main and West 1st Streets, must be done on the north side of the Street, lengthwise with the street, and must be headed West, and all parking done on Locust Street, between Main and West 1st Streets must be done on the South side of the street and cars and trucks and other vehicles parking thereon, must be parked lenghtwise with the Street, and must be headed East.

Sec. 3. There must be no turning of cars, trucks, or other vehicles in the middle of the block or any part of the block, between Main and West 1st Streets, on College Street, and all cars, trucks, or other vehicles wishing to turn on this block, must turn around Turn Post in the center o fWest 1st and College Streets.

Sec. 4. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall be adjudged guilty of misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding $100.00.

Sec. 5. Due to the necessity of parking and traffic regulations on the above named Streets, the second and third reading of this ordinance is wavied, and it shall become of full force and effect after its passage.

Passed and approved this the 14th day of December A. D., 1925.

T. Z. REED,
Mayor of the City of Lockney, Texas.

Attest:
E. O. BAKER,
City Secretary.

Mrs. E. H. Snyder of Okmulgee, Okla., is here visiting her son, Roscoe Snyder.

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Elmer Shackleford and family have moved to Plainview where Elmer will work at the carpenters trade, with a brother, who lives there.

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SECTION TWO-8 Pages

Lockney Beacon

FLOYD COUNTY LEADS ALL WEST TEXAS IN VALUE OF CROPS PRODUCED. LOCKNEY IS IN THE HEART OF THE BEST FARMING SECTION OF THE PLAINS, AND IN THE GREAT SHALLOW WATER BELT

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C. OF C. HAS ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING

NEW OFFICERS HAVE CHARGE—GOOD MEETING HELD AT LUNCHEON HOUR

At the meet ing of the Chamber of Commerce Monday noon, the newly elected president, Mr. A. B. Brown, president and the new secretary, E. S. Shoaf assisted. A good meeting was held and all those present were quite enthusiastic over the outlook for the coming year's work of the commercial club.

Letters were read by the secretary from several who were visitors at our annual banquet, expressing their appreciation of the reception tendered them on that occasion, also letters of regret were read from those who could not attend.

A committee composed of Z. T. Riley and A. R. Meriwether were instructed to see about the light on the water tank.

The secretary was ordered to pay alll outstanding bills, made in holding the banquet.

Mr. E. S. Shoaf made a report on the Poultry Show which was held at Floydada last week, stating it was the largest and best show ever held in West Texas, with the exception of one, which was held several years ago in another town. There were 663 entrees from points all over the state, and chicken raisers living in and around Lockney won 73 1-3 per cent of all ribbons and 69 per cent of all cash prizes paid out by the show. Coleman and Smith of Lockney won 48 per cent of the cash specials and W. W. May, who lives on the Mickey route out of Lockney won two silver loving cups and $23 in cash on having the largest and highest quality class of White Wyandottes in the entire State.

Burton Thurnton of Lockney presented the show with the chicken feed free of cost.

The next show of the Floyd County Poultry Association will be held in Lockney December 9, 10 and 11, '26.

A resolution was passed thanking the newspaper correspondents who were present at the banquet for the nice write-ups given that affair. A resoluion was passed commending the committees and secretary for the success they made of the banquet. It was said by many newspaper correspondents and visitors that the banquet held in Lockney was the biggest and best ever put on in West Texas.

The financial and crop conditions of the country were discussed at length and it was brought out that this section as a whole was in better financial condition at this time than it had been for many years. The fact of the freeze that cut the cotton crop had caused some to talk hard times, but there were really no hard times in this section. Farmers are nearer out of debt than for many years past. There is more feed in the country than there has been for years, yet more feed has been sold. Mr. Watson made a talk on the crop situation and about farmers making money also abou tthe prices farmers have to pay to get their crops on the market. He stated there were entireyl too many farmers living out of paper sacks, who should be raising their livings at home.

W. R. Watson of Hendersonville, Rusk County, was present, and stated he was here buying feed at this time. He said they had raised a big crop of cotton at his home but they had no feed and that they were having to spend their cotton money to carry their stock through the winter. He said he was interested in this country and thought it a great country, populated with a very clean citizenship.

Mr. Beene, lawyer and band master, of Ralls, is figuring on settling in Lockney, according to a report from the secretary and will practice law and instruct the band here in case he becomes a citizen of our town.

Below we are printing several letters from various prominent men in regard to our banquet .

FORT WORTH, TEXAS
December 5, 1925

Mr. E. S. Shoaf, Sec'y.,
Lockney Community C. of C.
Lockney, Texas

Dear Mr. Shoaf,—

Your favor of December 2nd. received, inviting the writer to be a guest at your annual banquet held in

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AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE



LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM THE LOCKNEY CHILDREN

Dec. 17, 1925
Lockney, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,—

I have been a good girl. I want a by-O baby doll and a set of glass dishes. Elma Ruth wants a doll. Goodbye from

Ruby Lee Baker

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

Please bring me a cork gun, a little truck, toy car, a little train with a track to run on, a little box of tools, fire crackers, roman cannons and candy, apples, oranges and nuts. 'Bugger' wants some giant fire crackers, roman candles, air rifle, toy car and torpedoes. Bring us a pistol and caps.

Walter

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

How are you getting along this Christmas? I want you to bring me a little car and an air gun for Christmas, also some nigger toes and oranges.

Your little friend,
Waylon Dollar

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

How are you getting along by now? I want you to bring me a little car and a little tractor, and bananas, oranges and apples.

Your friend,
Melvin Potts

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

Please don't forget me this Christmas. Please bring me an air gun, and I want a negre doll, also apples, oranges, nuts and candy.

Y our friend,
Malcolm Blanton

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

Please don't forget me this Christmas. I live five miles west of Lockney. I want you to bring me a coaster wagon, an air gun, a sled, and a fat little negro doll, and oranges bananas and nuts.

Your friend,
John Cooper

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

I want a doll, a pair of house slippers, and a pair of beads, and oranges, bananas, and nuts.

Your friend,
Natabelle Harris

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

I want a coaster wagon, some marbles, a ball, and a story book, also some candy, nuts, and bananas.

Your friend,
Herchel Blankinship

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

Please bring me a doll with a lot of clothes, a doll buggy, and a stocking with a lot of toys, and apples, oranges and nuts.

Your friend,
Vivian Baker

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

Please don't forget me. I want a doll, a little buggy, a bed, and a pair of beads, also oranges, bananas, and pecans.

Your friend,
Billie Louise Blanton

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

Please bring me a doll, doll bed, and doll buggy, and some nuts, oranges and candy. And please Santa don't forget my little brother and sister at home. Weldon D. and Elizabeth.

Your friend,
Thelma McKinney

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

Please Santa I want a coaster wagon, and some candy, oranges, apples and pecans.

Your friend,
Thomas Graham

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

I am a little girl seven years old. I want a little story book, set of dishes and some candy nuts and fruit.

Your friend,
Norene Potts

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want you to bring me a pair of skates and some candy, nuts, apples and oranges. I have been a good boy. I want a coaster for Christmas. I am 10 years old. We are going to have a Xmas tree in the third grade.

Your best friend,
C. T. Wright,

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

What I want for Christmas is a Benjamin pump gun, a music satchel a box of B B's and a flying machine, also some apples oranges nuts and other good things to eat.

Lovingly yours,
Milton Adams

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I have been a good girl. The lowest grade I have made is 81. I want you to bring me a ring, a little bank, a doll that will open and shut its eyes a little stove, fruits and every thing else a little girl would like.

Your best friend,
Winifred Bolin

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

Bring me for Xmas, a watch that runs, a testament, and some fire works.

My little brother Jack, wants a rocking chair, pop gun and a ball.

Lovingly yours,
Jo Busby

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FLOYD COUNTY POULTRY SHOW LARGEST HELD IN WEST TEXAS

Six Hundred and Sixty-Three Birds Shown—Many Cash Premiums and Loving Cups Given by Lockney and Floydada—Lockney Birds Are Grand Champions Winning Large Per Cent of Premiums

The fourth annual poultry show of Floyd County, Poultry association was held in Floydada last Thursday, Friday and Saturday and was declared by Poultry experts and business men from all parts of Texas to have been second in quality and number to the State Fair of Texas. By actual count and entry fee paid there were 633 birds cooped, with 64 exhibitors representing 27 breeds.

There were birds from as far South as Brownwood and as far east as Bowie, and came in large numbers from Memphis, Byars, Amarillo, Can-

Judge Jake Mabe of Crosbyton, and Aubrey Ashley, secretary of the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce at Lorenzo, Frank Antilley, of Abilene, L .B. Smallwood of Matador, R. H. Cooper of Crowell, all declared that the show was one of the finest they had ever attended, both in quality and in managing, and that Floyd county, could indeed be proud of the Poultry that she produces and her poultry show. All of these exhibitors made promise to the secretary, that they would be at the Lockney show in 1926 with larger strings than they showed this year.

The show was furnished feed free of charge by Burton Thornton of Lockney Coal & Grain Co. Puritina hen chow was used.

As usual the Lockney birds carried away the majority of the ribbons won. Coleman & Smith, being the largest winners of the show with W. W. May, second. Mr. May also won the handsome loving cup given by the Lockney Beacon for the champion female of the show, and the beautiful silver trophy presented by Baker Mercantile Co. for the champion display of 20 birds. The silver trophy offered by the First National Bank of Lockney went to J.. R. Whitfield of Route 1 Lockney, for best cock, cockrel, hen and pullet. Silver loving cup for best Bantam cock, cockrel, hen and pullet was awarded to Wayne Coleman, this cup was presented by the City Drug Store Lockney. Wayne also won the loving cup presented by Stewart Drug Co. for the champion female Bentam in the show. Joe Si Collins won the Loving cup for the champion male bantam given by the Cash Grocery.

The Charles Clement cup went to Frank Antilly of Abilene. Antilly also won the beautiful loving cup offered by The Security State Bank for the champion male of show.

J. V. Frye of Waynoka, Oklahoma, judged the show, and the association was so well pleased with his work that he has been engaged to judge the show next year, which will be held in Lockney December 9th, 10th, and 11th. The show was under the direction of H. P. Coleman, president of the association, and E. S. Shoaf, secretary of the Lockney Chamber of Commerce, who is also secretary of the Floyd County Poultry Association. Both men declare that the poultry inerest has taken a great boom and that they believe that one of the greatest shows ever held in America will be held be the association next year in Lockney. Lockney has always been for the poultry-farmer, and invites the poultry breeders of America to come and be with us in 1926. We will treat you in the Lockney way. If you don'e believe us ask John, he knows. Following is a complete list of all awards.

WINNERS

Rhode Island Reds: five cocks, seventeen cockrels, seven hens, seventeen pullets, eleven young pens, one old pen. Norman's Red Farm, Byers, Texas—third and fifth cock, fifth cockrel, second and fourth hen, fourth young pen, first old pen; Memphis Poultry Farm, Memphhis, Texas—second cockrel, third and fifth pullet, second young pen. L. B. Smallwood, Matador, Texas—fifth young pen, second and fourth cock, first hen; Joe M. Day, Brownwood, Texas—fourth cockrel; R. H. Cooper, Crowell, Texas—first and third cockrels, first and third young pens, first cock, first, second and fourth pullets, third hen, Grand Champion of breed, best parti colored pen in show, best parti colored cock in show, best parti colored cockrel in show.

Partridge Wyandottes: four cocks, five cockrels, six hens, six pullets, four young pens, one old pen. Alex Newman, Lockney, Texas, third cockrel, second and fourth cocks, fifth hen, fourth and fifth pullet; D. Max Stewart, Canyon, Texas—second young pen, second young pen; Ruth Connor, Floydada, Texas—third young pen, second and fourth hen; Coleman and Smith, Lockney, Texas—first and third cock, first, second, fourth and fifth cockrels, first and third hen, first, second and third pullet, first young pen, first old pen, Grand Champion of breed, best 20 parti colored birds in show, best parti colored hen in show, best parti colored pullet in show.

White Wyandottes: ten cocks, eighteen cockrels, ten hens, eighteen pullets, five young pens, two old pens. G. A. Griffin, Bowie, Texas—second and fifth cocks, fourth hen, third young pen, first old pen; George M. Reich, Electra, Texas—fifth cockrel, fourth young pen; Frank Antilley, Elmdale, Texas—first and fourth cockrels, third and fourth cocks, second and third pullets, first hen, first young pen, Champion of breed on cockrel, best solid colored pen in show, best solid colored cockrel in show, best solid colored hen in show, best shaped bird in show, Champion male bird of show, champion pen of show; W. W. May, Mickey, Texas—second and third cockrels, first cock, first, fourth and fifth pullets, second, third and fifth hens, second young pen, best 20 solid cocored birds in show, best solid colored cock in show, best colored pullet in show, Champion female of show, Champion display of birds.

Silver Laced Wyandottes: A. A. Gordon, Floydada, Texas—second cockrel, second and third pullet.

White Leghorns: five cocks, eight cockrels, four hens, seven pullets, two old pens, sixe young pens. Dave S. Batty, Floydada, Texas—third cock, third, fourth and fifth cockrels, fourth and fifth cockrels, fourth pullet, second young pen; Will McClendon, Lockney, Texas—first cock, third hen; Frank Pratt, Floydada, Texas—third young pen; J. B. and F. Whitfield, Lockney, Texas—second fourth and fifth cock, first and second cockrel, first, second and third pullets, first, second and fourth hens first young pen, first and second old pen, Grand Champion of breed on hen, best cock, cockrel, hen and pullet in show.

S. C. Buff Leghorns: Cocks one, cockrels three, hens three, pullets five. Joe H. Smith, Floydada, Texas

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BRITT TAKES TWO FALLS IN 17 MINUTES

BENTLY PROVES NO MATCH FOR YOUNG BRITT IN BOUT TUESDAY NIGHT

In the wrestling bout at the Isis Theatre Tuesday night young Britt of Lockney threw Ed Bently, light heavy weight of Newland, Texas, the first two falls in 17 minutes. Britt took the first fall from Bently in nine minutes, and threw Bently the second fall in eight minutes. Bently was no match for Britt, as the Lockney man had him under perfect control at all times.

The "Turk," Mammouth, of San Francisco, Calif., will meet Brit in a finish bout at the Isis Theatre next Monday night, December 21st. The Turk has a reputation of being a very tough wrestler. The Turk meets Mantel n tAmarillo tomorrow (Friday) night. So far Mantel has not agreed to meet Brit again.

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LYNCH DAVIDSON FORMALLY HURLS HAT INAO RING

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 11.—Lynch Davidson, so far the only avowed candidate for governor, made his formal announcement here tonight. He came from his home in Houston to consult with political friends and said he was in the race to stay until the votes are counted.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM THE LOCKNEY CHILDREN

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl four years old. I have been good this year. I have been good this years. I want you to bring me a little baby doll, a doll buggy and a little watch. I want ask much because I have a little brother three years old and I want you to bring him something. I think he wants a little knife, a top and a rope.

Well Santa we will expect to find our toys in our stockings Christmas morning.

Lots of Love,
Sallie Myrtle Bobbitt

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

I'm a little boy six years old and please bring me a top, rubber ball, and Bible story book, also some fruit, candy and nuts and some fire works too. Please don't forget my two sisters and daddy and mamma.

Lots of Love,
Harold Carpenter

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

I will write you a few lines and tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a doll and ltle machine, a pair of houses lippers and candy and all kinds of fruit and nuts. Don't forget mamma and papa and my two little sisters.

Lots of Love,
Maxine McDuffey

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

I will write you what I want for Christmas. How are you getting along? I am getting along fine. I want a doll and house slippers, nuts and all kinds of fruit. And don't forget my little sisters and my mama and papa. I want a little machine and jacks and a ball. I will close.

Lots of Love,
Aswall McDuffey

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl in the first grade. I want you to bring me a little buggy, bicycle, big doll, chair, table, oranges, candy, nuts, wagon and cradle.

Lots of Love,
Lucile Bowers

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy in the first grade. I am seven years old. I want you to bring me a little airplane.

Lots of Love,
Robert Sweat

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

I a m a little boy in the first grade. I am seven years old. I want you to bring me a tricycle, steel coaster, car, a little trunk and some candy and nuts. Thank you.

Lots of Love,
Bob Collier

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy in the first grade. I am eight years old. I want you to bring me a wagon, steel coaster and a tricycle.

Lots of Love,
Raymond

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl in the first grade. I a 'm seven years old. I want you to bring me a little doll chair, oranges, apples, house, horse, candy and nuts. Thank you.

Lots of Love,
Marguerette Huddleston

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl in the first grade. I am seven years old. I want you to bring me a little doll, a little doll buggy, a bicycle, a trunk, a table, some little chairs, candy and a sack of nuts.

Lots of Love,
Pauline Bybee

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl in the first grade. I am seven years old. I want you to bring me a little doll.

Lots of Love,
Vernon Jones.

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I have been a good boy and I want you to bring me an airplane that will fly. I want a gun and a pair of boxing gloves and some candy and nuts and a ball that you can play with in the house. With love and kisses,

Lovingly yours,
Joe Si Collins

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I'm a little girl seven years old. I'm sure that there are many little children to get toys for Xmas and this is what I want—a big dall, some little house shoes and a lot of candy, fruit and nuts. I guess I had better stop.

Lovingly yours,
Frankie Mae Dodson

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I am ten years old and am in the fifth grade. I want you to bring me an air rifle and some shot and B. B's., and a story book.

Lovingly yours,
Benny Virden

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I a m fife years old. Santa Claus I have tried to be a good boy all this year. Bring me anything you want me to have. Be sure and bring me a little red wheel wagon.

Lovingly yours,
Charles Virden

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I am seven years old. Miss Newman said that I have been a good girl. The lowest grade I have made is 90. Now I will tell you what I want. I want a doll and a doll bed, a little doll cook stove and some oranges. Hugs and kisses.

Lovingly yours,
Retha Belt



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Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I want a red fountain pen and pencil set. I also want a B B gun and some batteries with it.

Lovingly yours,
Douglas Adams

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I a m eight years old and I have been a good boy. The lowest grade I have made is 91. This is what I want, airgun, bicycle, that will run good and a horn that will blow and tinkrtoys that will build windmills and I want fruits of all kinds. Hugs and kisses. Dear Santa Claus goodbye.

Lovingly yours,
Flake Sparks

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I am a little girl seven years old. I am in the third grade. My teacher said that I was making good grades and acted like a real lady in school.

Now I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a set of dishes, a big doll, fruits and anything else a little girl would want.

Be sure and remember all my class mates.

Lovingly yours,
Patricia Patterson

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I would like to have a little wagon and a little tool box and I would like to see you. I must close it is time to go to write.

Your best friend,
Roy Bagley

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I have been a good girl. Will you please bring me a doll blanket, doll bed, a little girl's knife, apples, oranges, nuts and all kinds of frruit.

Lovingly yours,
Verda Craft

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I am a little girl seven years old and in the third grade. I have been a nice girl and the lowest grade I have made is 90. This is what I want for Christmas: a baby doll and some house shoes and nuts, candy and all kinds of fruit. I send you hugs and kisses.

Lovingly yours,
Frankie Dodson

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I have been a good girl. I am seven years old. I have been a little lady. Now I will tell you what I want for Xmas—a doll and a ring and some fruit. Hugs and kisses.

Lovingly yours,
Ruby Lee Baker

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I am a little girl and I want a doll and doll buggy. I have been a good girl. My name is Emma Folkner. I am in the third grade. I am 13 years old. I have done good in school. Hugs and Kisses.

Lovingly yours,
Emma Folkner

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl in the first rade. I want you to bring me a ittle doll, a little doll buggy, a bicycle, a table, candy some chairs, and ome nuts.

Lots of Love,
Jaunita Mae Still

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy in the first rade. I am nine years old. I want a coaster.

Lots of Love,
Lethel Folkner

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy in the first grade. I am eight years old. I want you to bring me a steel coaster and oranges. Thank you.

Lots of Love,
Gilbert Pendley

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

f I a m a little girl seven years old. I am in the first grade. I want you to bring me a big doll and a doll buggy, a bicycle, table, trunk, and candy and nuts and oranges .

Love,
Eva Johnson

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl in the first rade. I am seven years old. I want ou to bring me a doll, doll bed, some andy, nuts and oranges. Thank you.

Love,
Chloe

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I am a little boy in the first rade. I am seven years old. I want you to bring me a little steel coaster, and some apples, oranges candy and nuts. Thank you.

Love,
Robert Jackson

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

I have been a good little girl nd I want you to bring me a baby oll, doll buggy and a stocking with ittle toys in it and bananas and apples.

Your little friend,
Doris Baker

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

I want you to bring me a little set of dishes, a doll, and a doll buggy, and a pair of red beads, also some candy, fruit and nuts. And do not forget my little brother, Warren, and my new baby sister.

Your little friend,
Esther Graham

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

I want you to bring me a doll buggy and a doll that talks, and candy, oranges, and nuts. Please don't forget me Santa for I have been a smart girl.

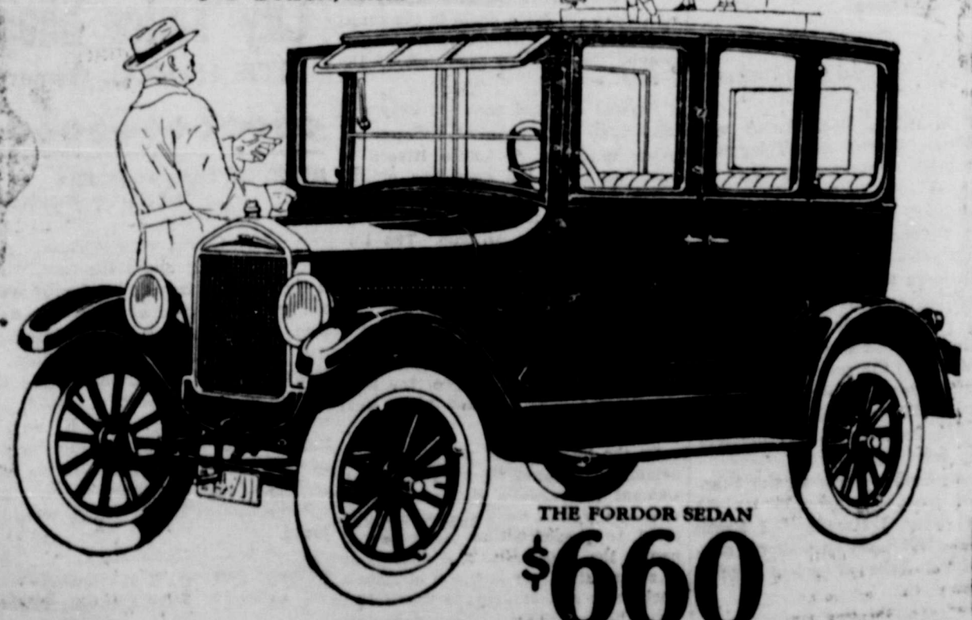
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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM THE LOCKNEY CHILDREN

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

Please bring me a doll buggy a set of dishes and a rocking chair also a lot of candy, fruit and nuts.

Lovingly yours,
Imogene Roberson

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

I am a little girl five years old and in the Primmer. I want a doll, a little set or dishes, and a pair of white beads, also candy, nuts and bananas.

Your little friend,
Ruth Feagan

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I am eight years old and I have been making pretty good grades. I want one of those little airplanes like they have at the Lockney Drug Store. I am in the third grade.

Your best friend,
Aubrey McCarty

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I have been a good boy and I want you to bring me a coaster and an airplane and an air gun. I get my lessons up pretty good and I have a good teacher.

Your best friend,
J. R. Belt

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

Please bring me a little sled desk, a horn, football so I can play with it Saturday evening, a little airplane, a Christmas tree with my toys on it, and a watch. That is all I want.

Your best friend,
Gurnes Baker

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I have been a good girl. I am 10 years old. Now I will tell you what I want. I want a big doll, a box of candy and nuts, a doll bed and some fruit. Remember my school mates. Hugs and kisses.

Your best friend,
Fay Cook

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I have been making good grades and I have been a good girl. Santa Claus I want you to bring me a big doll, a ring, house shoes, sparklers, candy, fruits and nuts.

Your best friend,
Athaly Billington

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

Santa Claus do you know what I want for Christmas? I want you to bring me a bicycle for Christmas. I want a coaster and a toy airplane that will fly and I want a foot ball too. Iwant a sled, a flag, andy and fruit.

Your best friend,
Leno Dagley

'IONEER WOMAN CALLED BY DEATH

AMARILLO, Texas,—Mrs. Jennie E. Rider, 88 years old, was struck by an outomobile on a downtown street Wednesday night and died Thursday. Mrs. C. H. Carl, driver of the car, is in serious condition as result of the shock. Mrs. Rider leaves five children, Willis Rider, Mexico City; Fred Rider Kansas City; Mrs. Edward Darville, Los Angeles; Miss Eleanor Rider and Mrs. Walter Caulfield, Amarillo. Funeral services were held here Thursday morning.

At Claude Thursday afternoon was held the funeral of Mrs. J. H. Hamner, 85 years old , another pioneer Panhandle woman, who had seen this country develop from the time of the buffalo. Shed ied at her daughter's home here early Thursday morning, following an extended illness. Mr. Pheobe K. Warner delivered a memorial address here following the funeral sermon by the Rev. E. C. Fincher and the Rev. F. W. O'Malley. She leaves a daughter, Miss Laura V. Hamner, noted Panhandle educator and superintendent of Potter County schools.

WIFE FACES MURDER CHARGE, WILL MAKE BAIL

SHAMROCK, Dec. 11.—A charge of murder was filed Friday by County Attorney Emmett Scott against Mrs. J. S. Clem, after the death of her husband. Clem was killed in his sleep by a heavy charge from a shotgun.

Mrs. Clem was under surveillance in a hotel Friday. County Attorney Scott indicated that she would be allowed to make bail.

Funeral services were held for Clem Friday, but his widow refused to go to the morgue or to the graveyard.

"We were married for 20 years and I tried to be a loving wife," Mrs. Clem told Scott.

HEAD OF SLAIN YOUTH FOUND IN SACK IDENTIFIED

STEPHENVILLE, Dec. 11.—The head of a 1-year old boy was found near here Wednesday, was identified tonight by neighbors as that of Bernie Connolly, and his step-father, F. M. Snow, was arrested by a state ranger and county officers on a formal charge of murder. He was placed in the Erath county jail here.

The torso has not been found despite an exhaustive search by officers.

Barking of hunters' dogs who shied away from an abandoned house nine miles north of here led to the finding of the head in the cellar below the house, suspended in a gunny sack in which also was found articles of clothing.

Neighbors living near the farm house of Snow declared positively that the head was that of young Connolly, who they said had gone to West Texas several weeks ago to pick cotton after an estrangement from his step-father. The boy had returned to the commmunity recently and had been at the home of kinsmen for several days, the neighbors told officers.

District Attorney Russell of Erath county tonight expressed the belief that the youth had been slain at considerable distance from the farm house and that the head had been severed from the body after death. Officers believe those responsible for placing the head in the cellar were familiar with the locality.

Three articles of clothing found in the gunny sack with the head aided in the identification.

The case has caused a great stir throughout the country. Thursday and Friday several thousand persons came to Stephenville from all parts of the state in efforts to identify the youth. Hundreds of telephone and telegraph messages also were received from parents seeking missing sons.

Jailed at Fort Worth

FORT WORTH, Dec. 11.—F. M. Snow, 46, tenant farmer living near Seldon, Erath county, who is charged with murder in Stephenville in connection with the decapitation of Bernie Conholly, 17 year old boy, whose head was found in an abandoned cellar Wednesday, was brought to Fort Worth by Erath county officers late onight and placed in the Tarrant co. ail for safekeeping.

DEATH MAY BE LINKED WITH AMARILLO ROBBERY

FORT WORTH, Dec. 11.—A special dispatch to the Star-Telegrram from Amarillo tonight says that officers there are certain that the trunkless head found in a ruined cellar near Stephenville is linked with the recent robbery of Blackburn Brothers, clothiers there.

A check of articles missing in the robbery, the dispatch says, has revealed that the suit of clothing found in the sack with the severed head was part of the loot. Working on this theory, the officers believed a new lead to the solution to the mystery has been uncovered.

Long distance reports to the Star-Telegram from Stephenville tonight say that Sheriff Hassler of Erath county has left town on a secret mission, and it is believed he has gone to make an arrest.

Dr. and Mrs. S. M. Henry and Charles Morgan, visited their daughter and sister, Miss Lou Emma Henry at Red Hill, near Spur, Sunday. Miss Lou Emma is teaching the school at Red Hill this year.

TEXAS NEWS

Edinburg soon will have a new hotel, costing approximately $25,000.

More than 400,000 bushels of certified seed cotton were grown in Texas this past season despite drouth in Central Texas.

Mark Moss of Llano has been appointed game warden for that district in which several west central counties are included.

The Donna irrigation district has voted to issue $380,000 in bonds to improve the canal system and install electric pumps.

Over half the rice in Jefferson county has been threshed and with continued fair weather all the crop will be in within a short time.

Federal government engineers are preparing to make a topographical survey of Orange county as a preliminary to the creation of a drainage system.

Survey of a second route from the south plains to Fort Worth has been begun by the Santa Fe railway. The survey runs out of both Crosbyton and Floydada.

A bond issue of $50,000 to cover cost of preliminary surveys and preparations for the proposed Frio river irrigation project carried recently by a good majority.

The extention of water mains and installation of more hydrants will be one of the many new projects outlined in the way of improvements for Alvin in 1926.

Approval of a letting by the previous state highway commission of a contract for road construction in Fayette county was made this week by the state highway commission.

The graveled road from Palestine to Frankston, Texas, in the northern part of Anderson county, was opened to travel this week. The gravel has been applied for most of the 23 miles.

Rev. E. M. Mobley of Luling, Baptist minister, has been appointed chaplain of the Confederate Home at Austin, effective January 1. He succeeds Rev. R. A. Roland, Methodist minister, who resigned.

An issue of $300,000 De Witt County road bonds, of District No. 17, bearing 5 per cent, and maturing serially, has been approved by the attorney general's department and registered in the comptroller's department.

Texas suffered a loss of $889,487 during November by fire. There were 387 conflagrations during the month, the fire insurance department reported, 102 of which originated by unknown causes for a loss of $299,193.

The bond election held in the Runge road district carried by a big majority. The issue was for $327,000 to build a hard-surfaced highway from the De-Witt county line to the San Antonio river and from Helena to Karnes City.

Elections to increase school taxation must be submitted by the independent school districts and be participated in by only qualified property taxpayers, the supreme court held Friday in declaring unconstitutional and void a Fort Worth election held in 1922.

The matter of marking roadways and routes of the old Texas armies, and of marking other historic spots will be presented to the state legislature at the next session by a committee from the Harris County Historical Society.

The state girls' clothing contest will be held at Beaumont, April 29 to May 1, it was announced this week by Miss Lillian Peck, state supervisor of home economics and director and originator of the contest. More than 600 girls are expected to participate.

Tomato lands from Tyler to Red Lawn along the Lufkin branch of the Cotton Belt are in unusual demand this fall, the heaviest demand centering around Gresham and Flint. All available acreage could have been rented or sold. One Chicago produce concern is preparing to plant 100 acres of tomatoes at Flint and others are figuring on acreage deals in the toma to belt. That the 1926 acreage will be heavily increased is indicated by the present activity.

Several hundred men are busy and more than 40 carloads of material are being unloaded at Three Rivers to rush work on the new line of the Southern Natural Gas Company, which is to increase the supply of gas for Houston and San Antonio. The line which is to serve as an addition to the present one in operation, is to be 73 miles long and will come from the Laredo fields to the Three Rivers gas field and then be connected with the main line. Work is now under way constructing the crossing of the Nueces River at a point a few miles west of Three Rivers.

On the historic spot where La Salle established in 1865 the first white settlement in Texas a group of Texas men and women have started a movement to preserve and mark permanently the location of the fort. Due to recent discovery in Spain of certain documents and charts, the location of La Salle's colony has been definitely established by Professor Herbert E. Bolton of Berkeley, Cal., as being on the west bank of the Garcitas river, about two miles south of Keran's Spur on the St. Louis, Brownsville and Mexico railway.

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HURT IN CAR ACCIDENT SUNDAY MORNING

A Mr. Guinn, of Floydada, was very badly hurt about the face, when a car in which he and his family were riding, turned over at the corner near Geo. Traylor's home, east of Lockney. The Guinn family were enroute to Plainview, and Mr. Guinn turned the corner at a high rate of speed, the car running into th editch on the north side of the road, turning the car over, breaking some bones in his face and knocking out some teeth. No other members of the family were injured.

FLAKE GRIFFITH MARRIES AT RANGER, TEXAS

Mr. Flake Griffith and Miss Berneice Landig were married at Ranger, Texas, on November 21st, Rev. A. L. Lake performing the ceremony.

Mr. Griffith is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Theo Griffith of Lockney.



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FLOYD COUNTY POULTRY SHOW

Continued from page 1

—third cockrel, fourth pullet; D. D. Hill, Lockney, Texas—first cock, first and second cockrels, first, second and third hen, first, second and third pullets, first old pen, Grand Champion of breed on cockrel.

Dark Brown Leghorns: cocks one, cockrels three, hens six, pullets four. A. R. Simmons, Floydada, Texas—all awards.

Light Brown Leghorns: cockrels three, pullets two. Geogre Fawvery Floydada, Texas—all awards.

Barred Rocks: cocks three, cockrels nine, hens six, pullets five, young pens two, old pens two. Mrs. W. M. pen; A. B. Muncy, Lockney, Texas—fifth cockrel, first, second and third cocks, third, fourth and fifth pullets, third, fourth and fifth hens, second young pen; Mrs. Bell Lemmons, Lockney, Texas—first, second, third and fourth cockrel, first and second pullets, first and second hen, first young peh, Grand Champion of breed on cockrel.

White Orpingtons: four cockrels, three hens, one pullet. R. A. Highsmith, Floydada, Texas—first cockrel; Robert Smith, Jr.—Lockney, Texas—second, third and fourth cockrels, first pullet, first, second, and third hen, Grand Champion of breed on hen.

Buff Orphingtons:three cocks, five cockrels, six hens, two pullets. Arch Keyes, Lockney, Texas—first, second and third cocks, first, second, third, fourth and fifth hens, first and second pullet; F. L. Davis , Floydada, Texas—second cockrel; W. P. Bryant Ranger, Texas—first, third, fourth and fifth cockrels, Grand Champion of breed on cockrel.

S. C. Black Minorcas: cockrels five, pullets six, hens two. Frank Pratt, Floydada, Texas—third, fourth and fifth pullets, second, third and fourth cockrel, first hen, Grand Champion of breed on pullet.

Light Brahmas: one cock, three hens. Dr. Z. H. Pennington, Floydada, Texas—all awards.

Black Langshangs: six cockrels, one young pen. J. W. Miller, Floydada, Texas—fourth and fifth cockrels; Sam Lain, Lockney, Texas—first, second and third cockrels, Grand Champion of breed on cockrel.

Bronze Turkeys: old toms five, young toms five, hens three, pullets three. C. M. Fry, Lockney, Texas—second old tom, first hen; W. T. Hamilton, Floydada, Texas—fifth old tom, fifth young tom; Charles Bollman, Floydada, Texas—second old tom, second and third young tom, first, second and third hens, first, second and third pullets; Mrs. J. D. Christian Floydada, Texas—first old tom, first young tom, Grand Champion of breed on young tom.

Buff Cochin Bantams: cocks three, cockrels four, hens nine, pullets twelve, old pen one, young pen one. Robert Lee Smith, Lockney, Texas—third cock; Joe Si Collins, Lockney, Texas—third hen, third pullet, first cockrel, best bantam cockrel in show, champion male bantam in show; Wayne Coleman, Lockney, Texas—first and second cocks, third and fourth cockrels, first, second, fourth and fifth hens, first, second, fourth and fifth pullets, first young pen, Grand Champion of breed on pullet, best 20 bantams in show, best bantam pullet in show, best bantam cock, cockrel, hen and pullet in show, champion female bantam in show.

Partridge Cochin Bantam: one cockrel, two pullets. Jacob Shoaf, Floydada, Texas—first cockrel, first and second pullet, grand champion of breed on cockrel.

Miller Flue Bantams: Joe M. Day, Brownwood, Texas—all awards.

Golden Seabright Bantams: John L. McCarthy, Amarillo, Texas—all awards.

Utility females: seven in class. David S. Batty , Floydada, Texas—first, second, fourth and fifth on White Leghorns; A. J. Blackwell, Lockney, Texas—third on White Wyandotte.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HAS GOOD MEETING

Continued from page 1

Lockney Tuesday, December 8th., and I regret my inability to be with you for this occasion as I have accepted an invitation to visit my old home town, Bowie, and attend their dinner which is held on the same date.

Meanwhile permit me to congratulate the citizens of Lockney in signing up the contract with the Fort Worth & Denver for the extension of their new line thhrough your city.

I feel quite sire that you will find Mr. Clarity and his official party real genuine folks and I am only sorry not to be able to be with you for this occasion.

With best wishes, I remain,
Sincerely,
A. G. Carter,
President

PLAINVIEW, TEXAS
December, 11,1925

Mr. E. S. Shoaf, Sec'y.,
Chamber of Commerce,
Lockney, Texas
Dear Shoaf,—

We wish to take this opportunity of thanking you and the good people of Lockney for the excellent time that the Plainview delegation had at your Banquet on Tuesday evening. Every memberr of our party said that it was the best affair of its kind that they had ever attended.

There is an exceptionally good feeling in Plainview for Lockney, and we believe that it was strengthened by the meeting Tuesday. There was no a drag in your progrram and it was well handled in every respect.

We congratulate you and wish you success.

Yours very truly,
Maury Hopkins
(Secretary)

PLAINVIEW, TEXAS
December, 11, 1925

Chamber of Commerce,
Lockney, Texas
Gentlemen,—

I wish to congratulate your body, and especially the efforts of your efficient secretary, Mr. E. S. Shoaf, and Presidents, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Riley, on the wonderful "Get Together," and Banquet, you put over recently celebrating the signing of the contract with the Denver to build into Lockney. It was a great occasion and you all deserve much credit for the complete success you had in making all see such a good and profitable time.

It was certainly a pleasure for me to be with you, I enjoyed it all ,and want you to know that I appreciated the opportunity of meeting with you.

I wish for your body success in all of the problems which always present themselves in such a progressive town and community as you have. If I can assist you at any time, please call on me.

Yours very truly,
Charles Clements,
District Attorney.

FORT WORTH, TEXAS
December 9,1925

Mr. E. S. Shoaf,
Chamber of Commerce,
Lockney, Texas
My Dear Sir,—

I regret very much that it was impossible for me to attend your annual banquet Tuesday night. I was in Coleman that night, having gone down to fill an engagement which Mr. Carter had made and could not fill. Under the circumstances, I should gladly in deed havve gone to Lockney, but the Coleman date was made quite ome time ago and when he found he ould not be present, naturally someone had to represent him. I was sent long as his substitute.

Yours very truly,
J. M. North, Jr.,
Editor

ENGLEWOOD, Calif.
December, 11, 1925

Mr. E. S. Shoaf,
Chamber of Commerce,
Lockney, Texas
Dear Sir:

I am the owner of lots 5 and 6 in Brewster addition and will gladly give roght of way for railroad if you will tell me just how it will go through acre and about how much would be taken. Send me a diabram.

Now the only thing I want is that you pay for fixing up deeds.

Yours very truly,
Henry Thagard

CARD OF THANKS

The Lockney Community Chamber of Commerce wishes to thank all of the citizens of Lockney and others who so generously used their time and finances in assisting in the Chamber of Commerce banquet Tuesday December 8th. It was through the efforts of you good people that we were able to put over one of the largest benquests ever held in West Texas.

We wish espcially to thank Mr. A. P. Barkr and Mr. W. O. Starks for the loan of the spacious building, Miss Loream Christian and Mrs. Esma Nenniger who favored us with some of her best songs. To Frank Ford, Roscoe Gass, Fred Truett, W. C. Watson, C. A. Wofford, H.P. Coleman, C. R. Wilkinson, George Brewster & Son, Dr. H. H. Ball, H. B. Adams, Tab Meriwether, C. W. Beene of Ralls, and the many others, who space forbids mentioning, we wish to extend our thanks for their assistanse.

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AT LOCKNEY, TEXAS

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM THE LOCKNEY CHILDREN

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy in the first grade. I want you to bring me some candy, nuts and oranges.

Lots of Love,
Taylor Wilson

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

I am a little boy six years old, and I want you to bring me a little racer, a wagon, and a little tractor, and some candy, oranges and nuts. Please don't forget me.

Your little friend,
John McKinney

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

I have been a good little girl this year, and I want a little set of dishes, a doll buggy, and a pair of baby doll, a pair of red house slippers, white beads, also some candy, oranges and bananas.

Your little friend,
Earlin Byars

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

I have been good and I want you to bring me a doll, a cradle and lots of fruit and candy and sparklers.

Lots of Love,
Laura Beall

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

It is late and I am sleepy, but I want you to bring me a little a big doll, a little pair of scissors and my stockings full of nuts and candy.

Lots of Love,
Joice Maurine Floyd

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I am a little boy six years old. I want you to bring me a scooter painted red for Christmas. I will try to be a good boy. My little sister Doris, wants twin dolls. She is a good little girl.

Your little friend,
Weldon Kolb

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I have been a good little boy. If you do not believe I have been a good little boy ask my 'Granddad."

I want you to bring me a little gun and car. Please do not forget my little "boy sister." Her name is Gladys Crisella. She lives at Plainview. Bring her a little quilt, a doll, a bed, and a whole lot of toys. I want you to bring us both some candy, oranges, apples and nuts.

I hope to see you at the Christmas tree.

Your little friend,
Monroe Oneil Shurbet

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

How are you? I guess I am all right. I will tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a pair of skates and a black board to write on and a fountain pen. I want lots of things but I know there are lots of little boys and girls who want something. So I will close as I am in a hurry.

Your little friend,
Sygale Wofford

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

Please bring me some candy shaped likt animals. I would like for you to bring me a car and some fire crackers, oranges, nuts, and bananas, a hary, bird whistle, and some caps to shoot in my gun. Please bring my brother the same thing.

Your little friend,
John Henry Bragg

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I am a little boy 10 years old and I want you to please bring me a cap and pair of gloves, fire crackers nd please don't forget Grandma. She is 78 years old. Bring some nuts, ruit and candy.

Your little friend,
Clifford Hoylor

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I am a little boy in the first grade. I am seven years old. I want you to bring me a little coaster, bicycle, car, candy, oranges, and nuts. I also need some glasses for my eyes.

Lots of Love,
Paul Teuton

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I am a little boy in the first grade. I am seven years old. I want you to bring me a wagon and some candy, nuts and oranges. Thank you.

Lots of Love,
Carl Tanner

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a big mamma doll and a buggy, a little stove and some dishes and lots of candy, nuts, apples and oranges.

I am a little girl seven years old. With love to you and Mrs.. Santa Claus.

Lots of Love,
Aleta Wooten

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a 1,000 shot air gun, a top, a sack of bananas and apples and some candy and nuts. I am eight years old.

Lots of Love,
W. H.Wooton

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I want a little train and any little thing that goes down and bring marbles up and take them down again.

Your best friend,
Muriel McGonigull

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I want a doll and doll buggy and a little stove to cook on.

Your little friend,
Rachel Harris

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Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I want a car and a little wagon and a racer and a fire truck and I want a tractor.

Your best friend,
Jimmie White

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I am telling you what I want for Christmas. I have been a good boy and I deserve a whole lot. I want an air gun, a big horn, a tin toy, a bicycle, a foot ball, a red flash coaster, a basket ball, tinker toys and I want some candy, nuts, apples and oranges. I like you the same.

Your best friend,
Gordon Suits

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I want a big car that has pedals, an airplane and tool box.

Your best friend,
J. W. Jones

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I want a doll, doll bed, buggy and stove.

Your little friend,
Meda Ruth Thomas

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MARLIN, TEXAS

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS FROM THE LOCKNEY CHILDREN

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I want a doll that will go to sleep and talk and walk. I want a bobbed hair doll and a set of dishes. I want some cards will some reading on them. I want a story book. I want a tub and wash board.

Your best friend,
Lorraine Chico

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I want a train and a little tin soldier.

Your best friend,
Charles Morgan Henry

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I want a little tin soldier and candy and nuts.

Your best friend,
Floyd Jarnagan

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I want you to please bring me a doll and little buggy for my doll to ride in. I have tried to be a good girl.

Your little friend,
Jolene Simpson

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I want a stove, tub, tea pot and boiler to play with.

Your little friend,
Dorris Childress

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I want a car, a ball and a drum.

Your little friend,
Junior Penniger

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I want a doll, a table, stove, chair, buggy, doll bed and a story book.

Your little friend,
Anna Dell Whorton

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I want a toy rabbit and an elephant and a car.

Your little friend,
Olin Huff

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I want a baby doll and a baby doll bed, also a rocking chair and set of dishes..

Your little friend,
Willie Mae Doak

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I want a little car and a wagon and horses to the wagon.

Your little friend,
Hugh Wendell White

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I want a train, racer and a truck and some candy and nuts.

Your little friend,
Doyle Pennington

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I want a sleepy doll, doll buggy, blocks and candy.

Your little friend,
Iwana

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I want a real watch, a testament and some fire works and candy

Your little friend,
Junior Busby

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I want a doll and a doll cart and I want lots of good things to eat and I want a story book.

Your little friend,
Glenna Whitfield

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

I will write you a short letter telling you what I would like to have for Xmas. I want an airplane and sand dumper and a few nuts and fruit. Now Santa don't forget me.

Lovingly yours,
Edgar Yarbrough

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

I want a doll buggy. I want a table and two chairs and a set of dishes. I haven't good grades. I don't want much.

Your little friend,
Dorothy Bennett

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

I have been a good boy and I want you to bring me another saddle some day. I could buy a horse and I would ride it all over town. I am eight years old.

Your little friend,
Kenneth Orman

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

I want a cow boy suit. My lowest grade was 82 and I want a foot ball and some fruit. I am seven years old. Hugs and kisses.

Your little friend,
John Holland Stewart

I am eleven years old and I am a good boy in time books. And I will tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a pop gun. I have made good grades this year. The lowest grade I have made was 83.

Your little friend,
Chester Gordon

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

I am in the third grade and want a pump air gun. I am a good boy. I like to play but I have to pick cotton. I picked 164 pounds one day. I am 7 years old. I want a stocking full of toys.

Your little friend,
Homer Lee

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

My teacher is good and I have been good this year. I have been making good grades too. I am going to tell you what I want: a cow boy suit, football, two pair of boxing gloves and a fiddle. Huge and kisses.

Your little friend,
Herman Bennett Thornton

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

I am in the low third grade. I am seven years old and I have been a good boy. I want you to bring me a sled, a bicycle, flag and a little red coaster, also some fruit.

Your little friend,
Nellie White

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I want a doll with bobbed hair, fifty cards, bell, little dog and itten, story book and a toy cow.

Your little friend,
Vada Shadix

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a knife, tricycle, chest of tools and a drum. Little sister wants a doll, tricycle, wagon, windmill and a big rubber ball.

Lovingly yours,
Clyde Hamilton

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

I have not been a very good boy, but I want you to come to see me. I want an air gun and candy, nuts and fruit and a crazy car. Bring Billie a doll and a little red wagon. Be sure and don't forget to come.

Lovingly yours,
J. P. Hamilton

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Santa Claus,—

Will you please bring me a little cabinet, a bed for my doll, and a set of dishes. My little sister wants a doll, a toy dog and a ball.

Lovingly yours,
T Helen Ruth Busby

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dear Old Santa,

I have been a nice girl and I want you to bring me a doll and a bed for my doll and a little piano. That is all I want this Christmas. I am not going to ask for much. I want you to come around to see me every Christmas.

Your best friend,
Melba Hadley

Lockney, Texas
Dec. 17, 1925

Dearest Santa Claus,

I like you and I want some toys. I want a gun that will shoot and I want you to put me something on my Christmas tree. I went to the brakes and brought back two Xmas trees.

I want two stockings full and I will have a good time. Hugs and kisses to you.

Your best friend,
Whorton McDuffee

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