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By Vern Sanford

massive new realignment of Texas National Guard will be a new parachute unit serving southeast and central parts of the state.

organization will insure better operational capability and improved riot control potential, according to Maj. Gen. Thomas S. Smith, the adjutant general.

two Guard divisions - 36th Infantry and the 49th - will be replaced by 72nd Mechanized Infantry and the 71st Airborne Brigade, plus miscellaneous units.

headquarters of the 72nd, covering North Texas and the Panhandle, will be in Dallas. Headquarters of the 71st Airborne will be in Houston. Present 36th Infantry will maintain its headquarters in San Antonio covering all of South Texas.

guardsmen from Fort Worth and Odessa-Midland areas will form two new types of combat units, called "emergency response headquarters."

Bayon, Clarksville, Belton, Du-son, New Boston and Rusk will be their guard units in the reorganization. An artillery battalion with headquarters in El Paso will be in Odessa, Midland, El Paso, Lamesa and Big Spring. So will be an engineer battalion in Abilene, a tank battalion in the Brownwood-San Antonio area and an armor group in Fort Worth.

shop says other specialized units will be placed throughout the state within areas of the brigades, but not as a part of them. Local authorized strength will be placed throughout the state in areas of the brigades, but as a part of them.

total authorized strength will be increased to 17,375. Although number of company-sized units will be reduced from 189 to 175, units will be larger and more time divided between two or three cities.

While general recruiting is being done for new Guardsmen without experience, enlistments are being open for the new airborne units with units in Houston, El Paso, Brenham, Orange, Austin, Port Arthur, Beaumont, Fort Worth, Waco, Whitney, Greenville, Clinton, Hillsboro, El Paso and Corsicana.

Courts Speak
State Supreme Court, in reversing a Johnson County district court finding, ruled that a man cannot be held in jail indefinitely if he proves he is unable to pay a child support payment.

other recent decisions, the court:
Set February 21 to review a Wells County malpractice suit against an Alice hospital and its doctors. Mrs. C. K. Gravis claims an operation was performed on her without consent and she suffered ill effects.

Agreed to hear oral arguments February 21 in the appeal of the Elevator Company from \$60,000 award to a Waco department store employee injured on an escalator accident.

Upheld lower court decision denying recovery by a Corpus Christi woman in a suit against a city after her car was struck by an intersection regulated by faulty traffic signal.

Sustained lower courts in denying injunction to Bishop R. R. Ramey to prevent his removal from the Church of Christ in Texas.

A divided Court of Criminal Appeals again upheld the death sentence of Alton Charles for the slaying of a retired police officer.

U. S. Supreme Court has given Texas and New Mexico permission to sue Colorado to collect a \$200,000 water debt under a 1940 Rio Grande Interstate Compact. El Paso and Hudspeth counties have a big stake in the dispute.

FFA ATTEND BANQUET IN PERRYTON

The Top O' Texas FFA banquet was held in the Perryton High School Cafeteria Monday, December 18, with district president, James Harkins from McLean, presiding.

Members from the local chapter attending were Tom Gipson, James Harkins, Dana Miller, Jimmie Baker, Boyd Thompson, Billy Orrick, John Hunt, Rodney Bailey, Brad Parker and Gary Ellison.

Nita Richards, local chapter sweetheart, represented our chapter in the district sweetheart contest. She was second runner-up in the contest.

The chapter would like to express our appreciation to Jay Thompson and James Ellison for being our guests and also furnishing transportation for members.

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During the Christmas holidays of 1916, Frank J. Bailey and Miss Mattie Haynes were married in the Heald Methodist Church. Bridesmaids were Misses Sally Lou Haynes and Ruth Bailey. He was attended by Henry Bailey and Leon Waldrop.

The bride wore white satin lace and pearl trimmings and carried a bouquet of white mums. The parents of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. John Haynes, gave the wedding supper and the next day Fannie and Ruth Bailey served the infir dinner in the Bailey home.

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er day house party at her farm home five miles north of McLean.

Remember that pre-Christmas skating party on the hill west of town in 1923? There was a bon fire on which bacon was roasted and enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rippey, Misses Frankie and Fern Upham, Nona Cousins, Mela Norman, Louise Orr, Sammie Roach, Myrtle Strong, Althea Bridges, Eunice Stratton, Margaret Miller, Melie Bryd and Ann Ritchie, Estelle Cooper, and messrs: R. O. Dunkel, Dwight Upham, Byrd Guili, and Jack Stager.

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At a dinner on the second story of the old red house, we were first introduced to ripe olives, and what to do with the seeds was the 61-dollar question. We swallowed ours, but Olive Haynes and Annie Mae Dalrimple waited until no one was looking and threw theirs out the window. What did you do with yours, Ruby?

The Christmas of 1924 McLean Supply Company gave away a 40-pound stick of candy. The prize was won by the Smith-Cooke Gun crew. They sent it to the Old-fellows Orphans Home in Corsicana. Do you remember seeing the huge stick of candy? Which Smith and which Cooke comprised the ownership and who were the members of that crew so thoughtful of the orphans?

Keep looking back and, in the meantime, Merry Christmas!

Lookin' Back

by Vera Featherston Back

It was merry Christmas week in 1909 when there was a double wedding at the ranch of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Thompson, south of McLean. Their daughter Pearl was married to Jack Hindman, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hindman, and her sister Willie became the bride of S. E. Boyett, McLean's young attorney.

The wedding was elaborate in "both appointment and detail", after which a bounteous feast was served to the bridal party, immediate relatives, and a few friends.

Later the party was driven to Rowe Switch where the Boyetts boarded the Denver for a honeymoon in St. Louis. The next day the Hindmans were feted again with a dinner at the Hindman Hotel by the groom's parents.

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TEAMS PLAY IN MIAMI TOURNAMENT

The McLean Tigers and Tigerettes are giving their many fans good and fast action in the 1967-68 basketball tournament. They again proved their great determination to win and to please their fans as they entered the Miami Tournament on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week.

The Tigerettes met as their first opponent Follett. The Tigerettes were defeated 58-31. Pam Bailey was McLean high pointer with 15 points. With 27 points Sue Gillespie was high pointer star for Follett. Quarter scores were 10-6, 14-23 and 23-43.

The McLean girls met Miami for their 2nd game. They fought hard but were defeated with a score of 29-25. Pam Bailey took top honors as high pointer with 16 points. Sandy Dodman was Miami high pointer with 16 points. Quarter scores were 10-8, in the Miami Tourney.

The McLean Tigers won third 16-16 and 21-25.

The McLean Tigers defeated the Miami Warriors Tuesday night at the McLean High School Gymnasium by a score of 69-27. All of Coach Fred Hedgecock's basketball players saw plenty of action in the game and all of Tigers got into the scoring column. Brad Dalton and Steve Thacker were high point men for the Tigers with 12 points each. Steve Evans was high point man for Miami with ten points.

All of the Tigers got into the scoring column as follows: David Brown 9 points, Patrick Windom 8 points, Earnest Smith 6 points, Jim Hester 5 points, Thacker Haynes, Dennis Duviven, and Danny Jackson scored 4 points each, Rocky Bailey scored 3 points, and Alan Duviven 2 points.

The McLean Tigerettes defeated the Miami High School girls by a score of 28-17. Pam Bailey was high point girl for McLean with 21 points. Marsha Hunt scored 8 points, Pat Suttle 6 points, Rosta Nall 2 points for the Tigerettes. Rita Adams paced the Miami girls with 14 points.

The Miami "B" team girls defeated the McLean Tigerette "B" team 33-27. Carol Maddox paced the winners with 13 points. Wynell McNeill paced the Tigerette "B" team with 16 points. Nell Harkins scored 9 points and Jenny Everett 2 points for the McLean girls.

Brad Dalton and Pam Bailey were recognized as All-Tournament Players at the Miami Tournament last week.

Wes Langham Named Hospital Administrator

Wes Langham, assistant administrator for Highland General and McLean Hospitals was named administrator at a meeting of the newly-organized hospital board late Friday. Langham will succeed Bill Robertson, resigned, on Jan. 1.

Gordon Lyons, manager of Southwestern Public Service Company's Pampa branch, was named chairman of the Gray County Hospital board.

Fred Venderberg, Pampa, was named vice chairman, and Gene Imel was elected secretary. Other members of the board are O. R. Blankenship, McLean, and E. L. Henderson and Joe Miller, both of Pampa.

The next meeting of the board is tentatively slated for the third Monday in January.

Robertson resigned Nov. 21 to take a position with Blue Cross in Dallas.

Langham's administrative duties place him in charge of policies for Highland General and the county operated hospital at McLean.

FOOTBALL BANQUET PLANS SET

McLean High School Football banquet sponsored by the McLean Lions Club and McLean Schools will be Tuesday, January 16, 1968 at 7:00 p.m. at the McLean Country Club.

Speaker for the banquet will be Coach Oscar Williams, athletic director and head football coach at Panhandle A&M College.

Tickets will go on sale at Parson's Drug soon after January 1st. Please get your tickets early so an accurate count can be taken. Let's all support the Tigers by coming to the banquet as we backed them during the regular season.

Master of ceremonies for the event will be Carl A. Dwyer, Principal of McLean Elementary School.

Entertainment and dinner music will be furnished by the McLean High School Stage Band under the direction of Jerry Toller, Band Director.

Heald Methodists Christmas Schedule

The Heald Methodist Church will hold their annual Christmas program and Christmas tree Sunday night, Dec. 24, at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to come.

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN

On Saturday Dec. 23rd on Main Street in McLean a children's Christmas party will be given by the Lions Club and Fire Department.

Santa Claus will have gifts of candy, nuts and other goodies for the boys and girls who attend.

Children of all ages are urged to be present at 2:00 p.m. to give a official welcome for Santa Claus to our city.

Homes Opened To Stranded Travelers

The spirit of Christmas was felt Saturday in McLean.

Homes were opened to stranded motorists who were stopped here when the highways were too slick with ice and falling snow.

The hotels and motels were filled to an overflow, cafe's were filled with people with no place to stay.

Calls were made to residents and homes were opened to the stranded travelers. Some spent the night in Allen's Laundry.

Reports were given Sunday of unusual and interesting stories from the travelers.

This was an unusual opportunity for the people of McLean, and many responded, and I am sure they will not be forgotten.

Jesse Lee Dykes Services Held Sat.

Funeral services for Jesse Lee Dykes, 67, a retired oil field worker, who died Wednesday in an Amarillo hospital, was held Saturday at 11 a.m. in the First Baptist Church with Dan Beltz, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in the Citizens Cemetery at Clarendon under the direction of Lamb Funeral Home.

Mr. Dykes was a native of Lockhart, moving to McLean from Pampa in 1962.

Survivors include 3 daughters, Mrs. Laverne Brooks of McLean, Mrs. Needa Johnson of Anchorage, Alaska, and Mrs. Laura Stump of Vega; son, Jesse Leroy of Pampa; sisters, Mrs. J. H. Jenkins of Brownfield and Mrs. H. G. Higgins of Turkey; and 12 grandchildren.

Christmas Jubilee Planned For Dec. 22

"Santa Claus Will Be There"
The annual Jaycees Christmas Jubilee will be held Friday, the 22nd of Dec. at 7:30 p.m. at the high school auditorium.

Santa Claus will be present during the jubilee giving out bags of goodies to the kiddies.

Admission will be charged for over six years old. Prizes will be given away during intermission.

FOSTER WHALEY, COUNTY AGENT HAS SURGERY

Foster Whaley, County Agricultural Agent, was admitted into the Highland General Hospital in Pampa, December 18, for an appendectomy.

At last report he was getting along fine.

Personal Greetings

To all of our friends in McLean and Alameda we wish you and yours a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Mr. and Mrs. O. W. (Red) Stapp

To all of our friends and neighbors in and around McLean we wish you a hearty Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Ott, Teen Jara and Rhonda Davis

Here's a friendly wish to our friends and neighbors that you will enjoy the Happiest of Holidays!
The Eddie Bailey Family



Once again the Star of Christmas shines anew. Although many centuries have passed since its brilliance lit the sky, its power still glows, undimmed, within the hearts of men.

So may it be with each of you. May the Star of Christmas shed its wondrous holy light upon each of you during this season, and the seasons yet to come.

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benefits being given to the state's senior colleges.

Particularly, they cite group insurance plans, leaves of absence and tuition waivers for the families of faculty members. "We too long have been associated with the high schools and not the senior colleges," Delton Goodin of Lee Junior College told the Committee. "Any college legislation should include all colleges so we won't be segregated."

Short Shorts

Gov. John Connally announced a \$21,000 regional-planning grant to the Houston-Galveston Area Council, a council of governments covering Brazoria, Chambers,

Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Montgomery and Waller Counties.

A total of 116 Texas cities have approved the one-cent city sales tax as of Dec. 13, 18 cities rejected the tax and more elections will occur in Dec. and Jan.

Col. Homer Garrison, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, was honored at a testimonial luncheon at Waco, attended by Governor Connally and representatives of the nation's leading law-enforcement agencies.

Atty. Gen. Crawford C. Martin has held that the state and counties of more than 20,000 population and where county officers are on salary.

U. S. Office of Emergency Planning has approved 130 ap-

plications for projects totaling \$6,700,000 to repair Hurricane Beulah damage to public property.

Federal grants totaling \$159,110 have been awarded to Texas A&M, Southern Methodist, Texas Christian, North Texas State and Texas Woman's universities to encourage effective use of scientific - technical information in commerce, business and industry.

Attorney General Martin has ruled that the Parks and Wildlife Commission has authority to close the entire Somerville Reservoir area (Burleson, Lee and Washington counties) to all hunting after public hearing on proposed regulations for water area.

State Banking Department received application for Montrose State Bank at Houston.

Ray Gabler, Austin business, is GOP candidate for 10th District seat held by Democratic Congressman J. J. (Jake) Pickle.

New 1967-68 Texas Fishing Guide now is available from the Parks and Wildlife Commission.

10,000 GPCP Contract Signed

The 10,000 Great Plains Conservation Program contract in Texas was signed recently by Louis E. McCarty of Iowa Park. Other parties signing the contract include the Soil Conservation Service and the Wilbarger-Wichita Soil and Water Conservation District.

McCarty plans to install a grassed waterway, parallel terraces, concrete lining of irrigation ditches, and other soil and water saving measures on his 515-acre livestock farm. He also plans to rest his rangeland each summer.

GPCP was authorized by Congress in 1957 to speed-up conservation work in the erosion-prone Great Plains area. Producers sign three to ten-year contracts with SCS and the local conservation district, agreeing to apply all needed conservation work on their land in exchange for guaranteed cash share help needed to complete the job. SCS technicians help producers plan and install needed conservation measures.

The 10,000 conservation contracts signed to date in Texas cover about 13 million acres in 99 counties. About 300,000 acres of cropland unsuited for cultivation have already been converted to a protective grass cover under the program.

Chinese office buildings have statues of fierce dogs or lions at the door to scare demons

Is A Silent Killer Loose In Your Home?

A silent killer may be loose in your house.

The deadly criminal is carbon monoxide—CO—a colorless, odorless, tasteless gas produced every time a carbon-containing material burns.

A leaflet from the American Medical Association reports that CO combines with blood 200 times more easily than oxygen. If you breathe air containing a normal amount of oxygen and a moderate amount of carbon monoxide, your blood will be starved for oxygen. When blood cannot supply oxygen to your brain, permanent brain damage or death may result.

Dangerous quantities of CO usually accumulate when a cool, slow fire burns in limited air. Since you can't see, smell, or taste it, the gas is hard to detect except by its symptoms—drowsiness, headache, tightness across the forehead, confusion, nausea, and muscular weakness. CO poisoning may confuse you so that you cannot reach fresh air to relieve the symptoms and prevent serious injury.

To prevent a carbon monoxide attack in your home—

- Have all heating systems checked annually for operating efficiency. Make sure that vents, pipes, flues and chimneys are tight.
- Make certain that your heat-

ing plant is not starved for air.

- Be sure that all heating devices designed for venting



are properly vented to the outside.

- Provide additional fresh air for charcoal grills and hibachis used indoors.
- Never tamper with ducts or vents of a heating device to get more heat out of it.
- Be sure that heating devices have been tested by a reputable firm. Follow the manufacturer's recommendations for installation and use.
- When changing types of fuel, ask a qualified serviceman to adjust all appliances involved.
- Don't close your fireplace damper until you are certain the fire is out.
- Be sure that your garage is sealed from the house. Never run the car in a closed garage.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a doll. I'm waiting for Christmas to come. I'll tell you something I want. Knitting machine and socks. How are you doing? How is Mrs. Santa doing?

Love,
Natalie Joones

Dear Santa,

Most of the time I am a pretty good boy. Please bring me an electric Choo Choo, incredible edibles and silly sand.

Love,
Billy Frank Hambright

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a train, cowboy suit and some more little toys to play with.

Love,
Donald Patton, Age 2
Allen, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am 7 years old, and in the 2nd grade at Hall in Dallas. I would like a new pair of red suede loafers size 1c and a pretty red bulk sweater, size 7. I hope you will have a very merry Christmas.

Love,
Lavonda Hill

Dear Santa,

I am 6 years old. Please bring me a Baby Step, tenet, all-in-one kitchen, and some gloves.

Love,
Evalene Ann Skipper

Dear Santa,

I want a Baby Fussy, baton, blackboard, silly sand, candy maker grill, and Ken doll.

Love,
Sue Bradley

Dear Santa,

I would like a cheerful tearful doll, an Etch-A-Sketch and a cow girl suit. Please bring some gloves to keep my hands warm. I would also like a Lucky Locket Kiddie.

Love,
Rebecca Patton, Age 6
Allen, Texas

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a easy bake oven. I want a little Miss Fussy. I want a racing truck and Hands Down. I want a doctor and nurse set. I want clothes, and Busy Buzz Buzz. I want creepy crawlers. I want a Red River and Thingmaker.

Love,
Marsha Day

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a doll's house, a doctor and nurse set, an apple and an orange, Ranch set, Thingmaker, Buzzy Buzz Buzz, sewing machine and Teddy Bear.

Love,
Carol McKee

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a B B Gun, Incredible Edible, bow and arrow and a target, and some pajamas, GI Joe jeep, The cat in the hat came back. I wish I had Duck Feet, and are you my Mother?

Love,
Sammy Haynes



McLEAN
FLOWER SHOP

Berna Burris



Greetings

Hope your Christmas
is really something
to chirp about!

KIVA BEAUTY SALON

Louella, Kay and all of us at Kiva Fabric
and Gift Shop

Alanreed Club Has Christmas Party

The Alanreed Twentieth Century Study Club met Dec. 12 in Study Club met December 12 in the Alanreed Cafeteria for their annual Christmas party.

A beautiful tree and the table decorations carried out the Christmas theme.

Mrs. Marjorie Fish gave the welcome and presented the program. The president, Mrs. Ada Simmons, read the scripture Christmas story.

Beth, Kinnette and Billy Frank Hambright each gave a poem. Dean Anderson a reading, and carols were sung led by Mrs. Betty Simmons.

Mrs. Lela Sherrod led in prayer and a delicious supper of turkey and the trimmings were served.

Gifts were exchanged and the evening was spent in visiting and playing "42."

Present were: Mr. and Mrs.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Baby Hungry Doll, records, Silly Sand, Suzy Home-maker, nurse kit, and a little Kiddies locker.

Love,
Kimberly Notgrass

Al Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crisp, Mr. and Mrs. Enloe Crisp, Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Red Easton, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Fish, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. Lavern Goldston, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford McDonald, and son Robert, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Hambright, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Roland, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sherrod, Mr. and Mrs. Granville Simmons, Mrs. Burl Glass, Mrs. Ruby Lilly, Mrs. Larrah Rhodes, Mrs. Ada Simmons, Mrs. Sharon Hauck, Mrs. Lawrence Hauck, Mrs. Connie Hedgecock and son Rob, Kinnette, Beth and Billy Frank Hambright, Jay Dee Fish, Dean Anderson and Britt Simmons.

HOSPITAL NOTES

VISITING HOURS:
2-3 p.m. - 7:30-8:30 p.m.
No Morning Visiting

ADMITTED: Susan Adams, Stella Grogan, Norma Miller, E. L. Kite, Lizzy Miller.

DISMISSED: Norma Engle, E. L. Kite, Lavada Cash, Miller.

TEMPTING CATFISH

Some fishermen use soap for catfish bait. Others use marshmallows work good. And cheese is excellent for cats.



SPARLIN & SON

Doyle and Glen Doyle

NOTICE

Following the last ice and snow storm, runoff water got into the Ethyl gas storage tank at our station. This condition is being corrected so it will not happen again.

ANYONE who purchased this gas with water in it will be reimbursed for the gasoline and repair labor.

The Management is truly sorry and wishes to assure you that this will not happen again.

Yours Truly,

BILLINGSLEY TRIANGLE SERVICE

MAY WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO —
WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

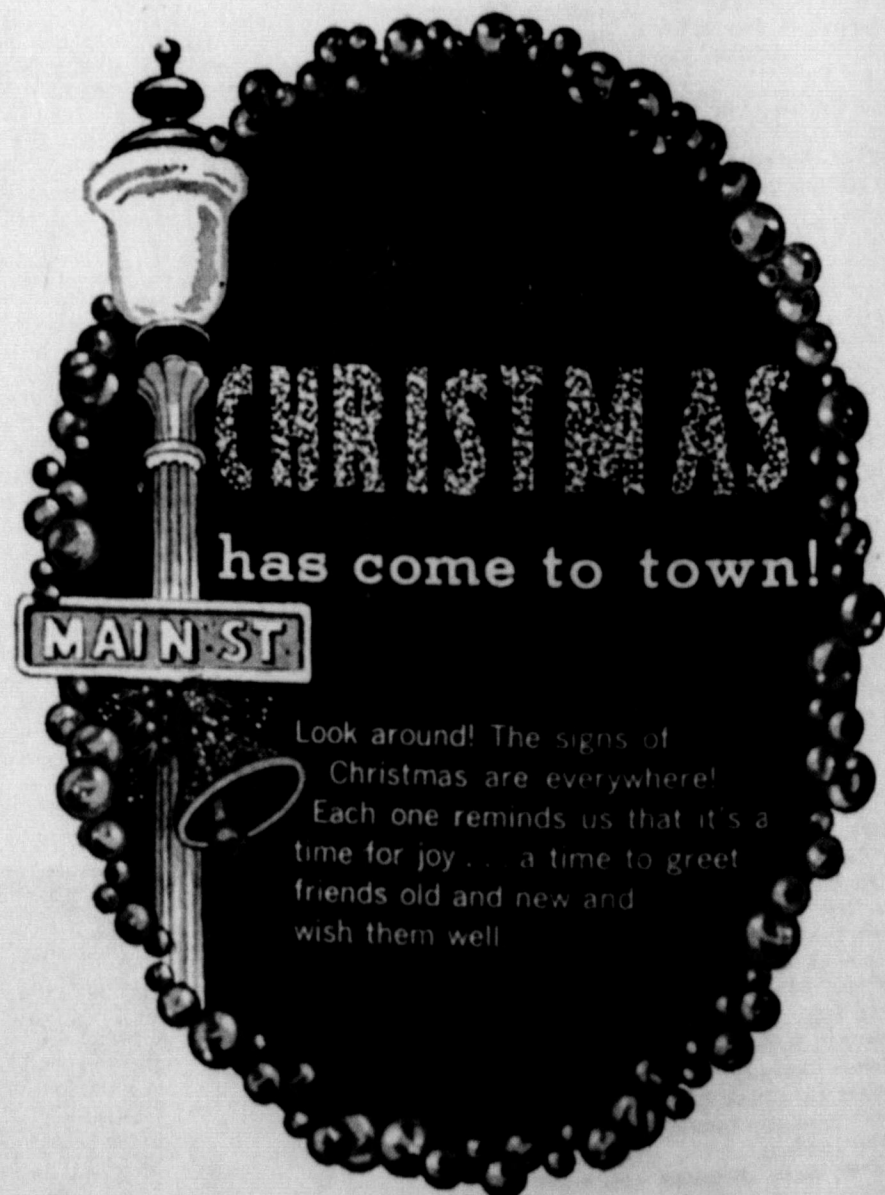
"YEP...YOUR NAME'S AT THE TOP OF THE LIST!"



Our customers are "Number One" to us all year 'round! And in this last month of the year it's especially true...so please accept our thanks and our heartiest best wishes for a very

MERRY
CHRISTMAS

COOPER'S FOOD
MARKET
AND EMPLOYEES



Look around! The signs of Christmas are everywhere! Each one reminds us that it's a time for joy...a time to greet friends old and new and wish them well

It's a pleasure to offer you our very best and sincere wishes as this exciting season comes to our town.

City of McLean

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Santa Claus, I am a little boy, and my name is Kevin. I thought I'd write you this Xmas, with my Granddaddy, instead of my Mom. All my cousins are to be here, too.

I have been pretty good, for a boy with lots of energy, and

I hope you can bring me an Auto Fun Set, and some games.

Charlie Don really wants a Dallas Cowboy Football suit. Debbie would like a Knit-O-Matic. Missy sure would like to have a "Tubsie" doll. Baby Melanie will be satisfied with her bottle, but a few little toys would be nice for her. Santa, I know this letter is pretty long, but it's for five little children.

Be sure and remember all the other children; and there will be milk and cookies on the coffee table for you.

Love,
Your friend,
Kevin Meacham

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Jeffery Lynn Kingston. I am 4 years old. I have been pretty good most of the

time. Please bring me a Johnny Express and a dump truck that runs on batteries.

I will leave you some milk and cookies. My brother Joe says he will leave some grass for your reindeers.

Thank you Santa,
Jeffery Lynn Kingston

Dear Santa,
My name is Michael Bybee. I would like for Santa to bring my sister and I table and chairs together and I would like to have a rifle, guns and holster, rocket, robot, tool set, dump truck, tractor, comb and brush set, Kat Tar, roller coaster, robe and P. J., stick horse. And I want him to bring the other kids as many toys.

Sincerely yours,
Michael Bybee

Dear Santa,
I have been pretty good. Please bring me a doll, a farm set, Silly Sand and I would like a little story book doll.

Love,
Coy Nicholas

Dear Santa,
Would you give me an "Air-blaster"? How is your wife doing in the hospital? How are your reindeers? If you don't have an "Air-blaster", please give me a plane that really drops bombs with a string. I was good last night and for two weeks. How bad is it snowing at the North Pole?

Love,
Greg Mullanax
Rochester, Minn.

Dear Santa Claus,
I have tried to be a good girl this year and help when I should. Would you please bring me a little Miss Fussy or a cradle for a doll.

Bryan is too little to write. He has been as good as he could and wants a Marvel The Mustang. We love you.

Love and Bryan

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a baby doll, a doll bed, a stuffed elephant, and a pair of stretch pants. I love you.

Joann Morris

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a Easy Bake Oven, a walking doll, and Silly Sand.

Michelle Sons

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a camera and some boots. I sure want some guns and games. I sure hope I get to have them. I have been a good girl.

Love,
Cindy Sherrod



Time goes on and on, yet red and green continue as the most popular colors of Christmas. One can find no legendary or historical reason, and many assume that it has something to do with the green holly with its red berries. On the other hand, it just may be that these bright colors are so popular because they are the brightest of red and green.

More and more other colors, particularly dark blue, white or silver and red gold are being used for holiday decorations, it's true. Yet, they have a long way to go before they threaten the popularity of red and green.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a twist and turn Barbie doll and I want a bride dress for her. I want Incredible Edibles, a pair of roller skates, a tight squeeze game, a baby stroller, a hippster and some cosmetics. I have tried to be good this month.

Love,
Tina

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a watch-band and some roller skates and a Baby Crawl-a-long for Christmas this year.

Love,
Peggy Van Huss

Dear Santa,
I want a major mat mason and a rockem sockem.

Sincerely yours,
Gary Nicholson

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a sewing machine and a Casey doll and a birth stone ring, and a suzy home maker oven.

Your friend,
Teresa Mounce

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a crawling doll and some skates.

Your friend,
Kerry Burden
P.S. I like you very much.

Dear Santa Claus,
How is Mrs. Claus?
Well there's one thing I want most of all is for everyone to have a good Christmas. But there are still some things I want. I want a Mary Poppins doll and a record player and records.

Love,
Sherri Billingsley

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a baby Crawl-along doll and a Operation game, Tight Squeeze. I have tried to be good this year.

Love,
Beth Hambright

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a watch and a baby crawl-along and skit, and a doll, a Hands-down game, a Suzy-home-maker and a baby doll and a birth stone ring and a cat.

Your friend,
Tammy Pierce

Dear Santa Claus,
I wish to have a fun flower set and a baby first step and a operation.

Your friend,
Lela

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like mine to be a secret Santa Claus.

Love,
Brenda Bailey

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade. I would like to have an electric train and a thing maker. Remember all other children. I have been a good boy.

Your friend,
Stephen Ellison



to all our
loyal friends
Happy holiday!

SMITH'S FARM &
RANCH SUPPLY

Wesleyan Service Guild Met Recently

The Wesleyan Service Guild met December 12 in the church parlor. The meeting was opened with a prayer by Sue Cubine. The minutes on the last meeting were read and approved.

Ruth Magee led the devotion. A group of Christmas carols was sung and Ruth gave an interesting talk entitled "Christmas Without Myth." Sue Cubine gave the program on "The Birth of Christ as it might have been told by a Shepherd of Judea."

The meeting was closed with the singing of "Silent Night" by the group. White Elephant gifts were exchanged among the members. Refreshments of date cake, coffee, and nuts were served by Ruth Magee and Opal Allison. Other members attending were Mary Powell, Winnifred Rice, Marge Crockett, Dixie Burroughs, Bessie Hamilton, Lou Gething, Jewel Cousins, Grace Glenn, Fern Boyd, Isabel Cousins, Sinclair Armstrong, and Johnnie Rodgers.

SIGHTING IN YOUR RIFLE

A good bench rest is almost a must for sighting in rifles for pre-season hunting. But benches seldom are available except at commercial ranges.

Fix your own rifle rest for use anywhere by using an ordinary folding ironing board. The board is easily adjusted to the most convenient shooting height.

Christmas in Bethlehem

Each holiday season, thousands of visitors turn their footsteps toward the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem. People of many faiths make the annual trip to Bethlehem, now a part of Jordan to visit the church which is above the Grotto of the Nativity where Christ was born.

The Church of the Nativity is shared by Roman Catholic, Greek Orthodox and Armenian denominations. Roman Catholics celebrate first, with masses on Christmas Eve, December 25. Eastern churches observe Christ's birth in January, as also do the Greek Orthodox, who still follow the Julian calendar.

Protestants traditionally gather in Shepherds Fields, the nearby site where tradition says the angels came down to tell the shepherds of the Holy Birth.

MIDNIGHT MASS

The Roman Catholic custom of saying midnight mass on Christmas Eve stems from the belief that Jesus Christ was actually born at that hour. Actually, mass may be said at any hour the night before Christmas and in some countries there is no midnight mass, the first Christmas mass being said at four or five in the morning.

Merry



CHRISTMAS

MOLITA FLOWER SHOP

Billy Haynes

Johnnie F. Mertel
BOOT SHOP
Johnnie, Colleen
and Teresa



AT CHRISTMAS

The Best to You!

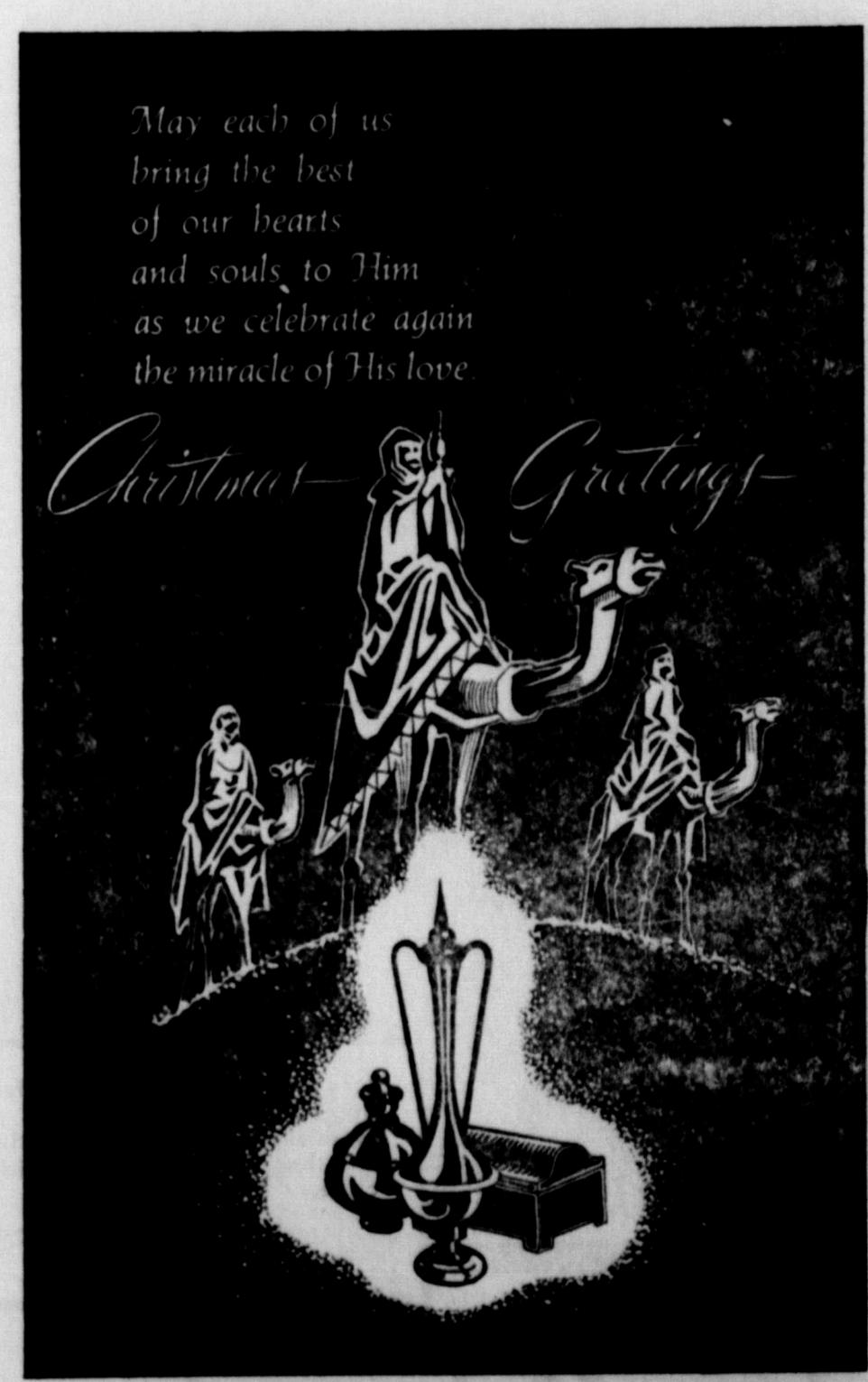
We hope Santa is good to all our friends
this holiday season . . . you deserve the very finest!

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Marie Foundations

Over 50 per cent of all rural fatal accidents involve only one vehicle, says Texans for Traffic Safety, and almost one-half of these are caused by a car running off the roadway. Whether the driver falls asleep, is drunk or loses control through carelessness, the end result may well be the same tragedy.

A Happy YULE

MULLANAX
MEN'S STORE

To Our Good Friends at Christmas

GREETINGS

MANTOOTH CHEVRON STATION

Odell, Buck and Cliff

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. Please I want a football suit, rifle, a Christmas stocking, walkie-talkie, and learning is such fun, race set and Mr. Peanut. I have tried to be good.
Love,
Mark Allen Bailey

Dear Santa,
My name is Dixie and I am 7 years old. I have tried to be a nice girl this year. My mother and daddy says I have been a very nice little girl. I have made pretty good grades in school, also. I like it an awful lot. I would like a Baby Whisper.
Love,
Dixie Marsh

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. Please bring me a guitar, drum B B gun and a Busy Buzz.
Love,
Don McCurley

Dear Santa,
I am 7 years old. Please bring me a Baby Cheerful Tearful, washer machine, some wigs, and an Etch-A-Sketch.
Love,
Jeanette Hatfield

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. Please bring me lots of toys.
Your friend,
Randy Mac

Japanese Premier Receives Honorary LL.D.



President Grayson Kirk of Columbia University and Dr. Andrew W. Cordier, Dean of the School of International Affairs congratulate Prime Minister Eisaku Sato upon his award of an Honorary Doctorate of Law during his recent visit to the United States at the invitation of President Lyndon B. Johnson. He was also accorded similar honors at New York University. The Premier and President Johnson reiterated their conviction of the strong ties of friendship and understanding between the two nations in their joint communique issued at the conclusion of their meetings.

Dear Santa,
I want a Pig Tails, bunk beds, a easy bake oven, a typewriter, and a sewing machine. Thank You.
Deloris Morgan

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good boy part of this year. It surely is hard when there's so many things to investigate. Please bring me a bull dozier and candy. Bring Tommy and Keith something for big boys and please remember all my little friends.
Thank You
Dale Glenn Gipson

Dear Santa,
Please bring me Incredible-Edible. When you come there will be cake. Bring me a red river, that is a gun, Creepy Crawlers, and a book and a truck. There is a game called a Hands Down and that is all I want for Christmas.
Love,
Michael Harkins

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some toys, fright factory with a thing maker, train set and a BB Gun, The Best of the West Ranch set and bow and arrow and target. How are your deers?
Love,
Greg Henley

Dear Santa,
Hello! I'm 4 1/2 years old this year, and I've been a good girl. Please bring me a doll. You decide what kind. I surely have enjoyed all the things you brought me last year. Thank you.
Have the little elves been good boys? And have they been working hard?
Be sure and remember Susan and Stacy.
Please bring my big brothers, "Bubba" and "Jimbo" something nice.
I love you,
Amber Ruth Hester

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. Please bring me a doll and Suzy Homemaker stove.
Love,
Cindy Lee Young

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. Please bring me a bicycle, a B B gun and a Johnny Express.
Love,
Joel Ray Kingston

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby Cheerful Tearful, a crib and a highchair and a sewing machine. Have a good trip and drive carefully. Thank you.
Love,
Teresa Lynn Durham

Dear Santa,
I would like a bike, and some games to play with. I would like also some cowboys and Indians, plus a few toy horses.
I've been a fairly good boy, and I promise to try and be even better next year.
Roger McCracken
APO San Francisco

Dear Santa,
I would like the doll that has a magic wand, it cries and kicks and acts like a real baby. I also would like a green board - if you don't have green paint, I'll take it black. Also Santa, I'd like a trickie Tommy turtle; and Santa, if you think of something else would be better than the things I've ask for it will be fine for you to use your own judgement. I'll like anything you decide on.
Now for our Claude. If you do not have a doll that drinks and wets for her, just any doll from your pack will be fine. She also likes dolls or toys that talk. Claudia and I are good girls-almost all of the time. Please be careful Christmas night and put your warm clothes on. I'll leave you some cookies and hot chocolate. Tell Mrs. Santa and the Elves that I thank them for making all the lovely toys. Good night
Dear Santa,
Love,
Cristy Jo Bagwell

Dear Santa,
I would like a doll and doll carriage. I would also like a game called "spellmaster". Have a good trip Christmas Eve.
Thank you
Rachel Glenn

Dear Santa,
I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a Vanity and Hassock with accessories, Lal Miss Fussy and any kind of game.
Love Always,
Monica Hathaway

Dear Santa,
I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want Miss Peek, Buggy, Intercom Phones, Folding Hi Chair and Economy Dial Typewriter. I have a broken leg.
Love,
Tonue Hathaway

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 8 years old. I haven't been very good this year but I would like a pink watch, a twist and turn Barbie, a basketball and basket, and a lucky locket kiddie. Also some clothes. I love you.
Your friend,
Elizabeth Inez Patton
Allen, Texas

News From ALAN REED

By MRS. CECIL CARTER

News of the death of Haskell Milligan brother of Mrs. J. B. Leonard, south of town was received here last week.

Mr. Milligan suffered a heart attack after leaving his stalled automobile during last weeks storm. He was quite well known in this community having lived here some years ago.

A visitor in the First Baptist Church last Sunday was Mr. Dewey Squires who was pastor here in 1925.

Dining with the Warner Phillips Sunday was M. B. Smith of Pampa and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruce.

Mrs. Bill Smith of Pampa visited her sister and husband the Hartley Davises last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Howard Miller and family of Amarillo visited the W. O. Hommel's Friday. Mrs. Era Hill accompanied them back to Amarillo as she was scheduled to catch a plane for Florida where she will visit her daughter Shirley and family for awhile.

Mrs. Jewel Warner received word Monday of the death of her mother in Whitewright.

M. B. Smith of Pampa visited the E. R. Sherrods Sunday.

The Alanreed Home Demonstration Club met December 13 in the home of Jessie Mae Roland for their annual Christmas party with 7 members and one visitor present.

The meeting was opened by the president Jessie Mae and the roll call was answered by a Christmas poem, on a pleasant memory of a Christmas past. The minutes were read by acting secretary Lena Carter and approved.

Gifts were then exchanged and admired. Refreshments of brownies, coffee and tea was served to Mesdames Robert Bruce, Cecil Carter, F. R. Crisp, Al Cooke, W. H. Davis, Bob Roland, J. D. Harrison, and the visitor, Mrs. Bill Smith of Pampa. Mrs. Smith is the sister of Mrs. W. H. Davis and is also a local girl having been raised in this community.

HONOR ROLL

RENEWAL: George Terry, M. M. Skipper, Mrs. Bob Brown, Jewell Cousin.

NEW: Beatrice Street, 5226 Alcott, Dallas, Texas 75206; Burl E. Glass, Box 483, McLean.

Sew Sew Club Has Christmas Party

The Sew Sew Club met Dec. 11 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Thacker for their Christmas party.

The husbands and children were honored guests. The house was decorated in the Christmas theme with two lovely trees.

A delicious supper of turkey and dressing was served and the evening was spent in playing Dominoes, Forty Two, and Bingo. The prizes were all wrapped as Christmas gifts. Each one present gave their most important Christmas and gifts were exchanged.

Present were Mesdames and Messrs. Boyd Smith, W. C. Kennedy, Elton Johnston, Douglas Groves, C. O. Goodman, Clayton Peabody; Mesdames Veala Corcoran, Minnie Groves, Sylvia Wood and Tracy of Pampa, Sharon Hauck; Miss Glenda Anderson, Steven and Brent Thacker, and Ricky and Randy Kennedy.

Capt Sue Evans, who is stationed at Denver, Colo., is home visiting with her father, Walter Evans and other relatives. She will be here on a 2 week leave. Mr. Evans reported that all his family will be with him on Christmas.

Dr. J. R. Schwartz, a York dentist, curves ivory hobby, using dental tools.

Christmas
FOR YOU
OUR FRIENDS
and Thank You

ALLEN'S
LAUNDRY

Season's Greetings
Thank you for making this such a wonderful year

TERRY'S ELECTRIC

A JOYOUS NOEL

May the Glory... the Joy... the Peace of Christmas ring out through all the world. May your house be especially blessed... during this Christmas Season and through a lifetime of Christmas Seasons yet to come.

The McLean Lions Club

Jim Allison
Eddie Bailey
Joe Burroughs
Nelson Christie
S. A. Cousins
Dr. H. F. Fabian
Dale Glass

Jim Hathaway
John C. Haynes
John M. Haynes
Sam A. Haynes
Truitt Johnson
Ola Kunkel
D. C. Lowary
Clarence Pierce

Bob Massey
J. W. Meacham
Boyd Mendor
W. T. Moore
Ted C. Raines
Jack Riley
Ted Simmons
W. C. Simpson

Carey Don Smith
George W. Terry
James Thompson
Charles Weaver
Elmo Whaley
R. T. Wood
Dr. David L. Woods
Elton Wyatt

Members At-Large
Dale Greenhouse
Faris J. Hess
Creed Lamb
Evan Sitter
Earl Stubblefield
J. T. Trew

GREETINGS

HARRELLS
VARIETY
Gladys, Lela,
Almeda and Bertha

Christmas is a Precious Time

A time to celebrate the renewed kinship between families, large and small... a time for love and laughter and wonder.

It's a precious time and too soon is gone. But though the days pass into a new year and leave the Yuletide behind... we hope the joys of Christmas remain with you in all the days to come.

Thank you for your friendship. It has always been a pleasure to serve you!

Puckett's Food Store

BIRTHDAYS

25-Ted Simmons, Casey
27-Carl Scott, Mrs. Pat
28-Hershel Nicholson,
Cunningham, Donie
29-Mrs. Frank Simpson,
Maggie, Mrs. W. E. Bogan,
Petty Harold Petty.

Dec. 28—C. J. Magee, Vickie
Mae Christie, Carl Watson, Mrs.
Jessa Kemp.
Dec. 29—Randy Curry, Mar-
garet Jean West.
Dec. 30—Eddie Kent Wilson.

Harper's Ferry Arsenal was
established by George Washing-
ton.

Sunday School Class Has Holiday Party

Junior Girls Class of the First
Baptist Church held their Christ-
mas party in the home of Mrs.
James Thacker Wednesday of
last week.

The tables were lighted with
different colored candles fixed
in a miniature center piece.
Gifts were placed under the
lighted Christmas tree for the
gift exchange, games were en-
joyed by everyone.

Refreshments of candied cake
square's and hot chocolate was
served to Kathy Bailey, Lonna
Daniven, Jeri Bible, Connie Boh-
lar, Patsy Bailey, Cheryl Holm-
es, Marla Phillips, Dianne Mil-
ler, Delyne Miller, Debbie Mor-
ris, Mrs. Paul Miller, Mrs. Ed
Bailey and Mrs. James Thacker.

Of the 25.8 million living vet-
erans, 1.8 million receive com-
pensation for service-connected
disabilities and 1.8 million re-
ceive pension payments for non-
service-connected disabilities, the
Veterans Administration an-
nounced.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sin-
cere thanks and deep apprecia-
tion for all the kindness shown
us during the illness and death
of our loved one. We shall for-
ever be grateful for your pray-
ers, cards, food, and kind words
of sympathy. May God bless
each of you.

Mr. and Mrs. George Terry and
family
Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Pugh and
family



Doctor in the Kitchen®

by W.W. Bauer, M.D.
Consultant, National Dairy Council

At
this
time of
the year,

when the house
is filled with
the delightful aroma
of Christmas bakery,
when cakes, candies, nuts
and all sorts of
goodies tempt the snacker
on every hand, it is
a wise idea to stop and consider
how easy it is to put on
pounds and how hard it will be
to take them off after New Year's
Day. Nobody wants to take all
the joy out of the holiday season,
but a reasonable degree of moderation
should not be too hard to achieve.
The children will feel better and
have more fun if they do not go
overboard on the sweets, and the
older children, who call themselves
grown-ups, will do just as well to go a
bit easy on the cup that cheers as
well as on the Christmas dinner. This
dinner should be a pattern for good nutrition
containing, as it does, a variety of many foods.
But, it should not become
an excuse for
eating more
than
is wise

and sensible. A light breakfast and a good
brisk walk BEFORE dinner will also be help-
ful in maintaining a feeling of well-being
which is so essential to a MERRY CHRISTMAS

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little girl of three and
don't quite understand all these
pretty things that everyone is
putting around.

I think I am a good girl, I try
to be. I would like for you to
bring me a doll of some kind,
jumping horse and anything
you think I would like.

Thank You
Cindy Glass

Dear Santa,

I am 5 years old and my name
is Tamela Smith. I have been a
good girl this year. I would like
to have a walking doll.

Thank You
Tamela

Dear Santa,

My name is Robin Smith. I
would like to have a Vanity Set
and some games. I have been a
pretty good girl. I am 6 years old.

Thank You
Robin Smith

Hi Santa Claus,

My name is Rodney Gene
Smith, but they call me Spooky.
I have been a pretty good boy so
would you please bring me a
play B B Gun and Hands Down.

Thank You
Spooky

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Glenda Pharis.
I've been a pretty good girl.
Please bring me a "Little Miss
Fussy" doll, also a View Master.
Please fill my stocking with fruit
and candy. I'm going to school
this year. Remember my big
brother Guy Don.

Love You,
Glenda

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like for you to bring me
a guitar and a gun. Daddy and
I want a baby boy, but mother
wants a baby girl. Please remem-
ber all boys and girls everywhere.

Love,
Mike Christie

Dear Santa,

I am 6 years old. Please bring
me a Johnny Express, gun, and
a Johnny Eagle.

Love,
Kirk Douglas

Dear Santa,

I am 7 years old. Please bring
me a bicycle, gun, a racing track,
and spurs.

Love,
H. W. Harlan

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a doll for
Christmas and a bike. I want
some jewelry, new clothes, 21
piece doll furniture set, play
kitchen, dog, books and a Fright
Factory.

Love,
Carolyn Bailey

Dear Santa,

Please bring me Table, chairs,
buggy, doll, bed, bathnet, stove,
icebox, iron, ironing board,
broom, mop, gown, robe, rock-
ing chair, dresser-set and some
candy.

Love,
Teresa Bybee

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a bicycle,
and Incredible-Edible, doll, Knita
matic, Barbi doll, Creepy Crawl-
ers, Transistor Radio, Buzzy Buzz
Buzz, Mouse Trap game and
Hands Down.

Love,
Jerree Boyd

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy. I
would like to have a Johnny Ex-
press truck, Mighty Mike, robot,
gun, and Johnny West Jeep. Best
wishes.

Rand McDaniel

Thanks
and
Merry
Christmas

BILLIE'S
BEAUTY SALON

Billie, J. L., Kay,
Joe and Vickie

Talent for Public Speaking Earns 4-H Honors for Two

"Have you ever heard a teen-
ager bark? They're going to the
dogs, you know."

In the speech that won state
4-H Public Speaking honors,
Clara Borcharding, 16, of Tex-
arkana, followed up the above
remarks by reminding her lis-
teners that people were decri-
ing the faults of the younger
generation as early as 4,800
years ago.

She asked her audience not
to judge all young people by
the acts of a few but to have
confidence in her generation.

Joe David Berg, 16, of Ama-
rillo, who was the boy public
speaking winner, called upon
the United States to join hands
with other abundant nations to
share American technical know-
how with the "have-not" na-
tions.

He emphasized that only by
teaching malnourished and
starving nations to help them-
selves could a lasting solution
to the urgent problem of hun-
ger be found.



Berg Miss Borcharding

Berg has made three televi-
sion appearances in behalf of
4-H. He is a junior in high
school and has been in 4-H six
years. His parents are Mr. and
Mrs. J. J. Berg.

Miss Borcharding, daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Borchard-
ing, has been a 4-H'er nine
years. She is a high school
senior.

The Pure Oil Division, Union
Oil Company of California,
which sponsors the public speak-
ing program, awarded a wrist
watch to Berg and a chest of
silverware to Miss Borcharding.
Winners were named by the Co-
operative Extension Service.

More than 1,000 miles of new
highway are now under con-
struction in Texas at all times,

reports the Texas Highway De-
partment in its 50th anniversary
year.

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CHRISTMAS

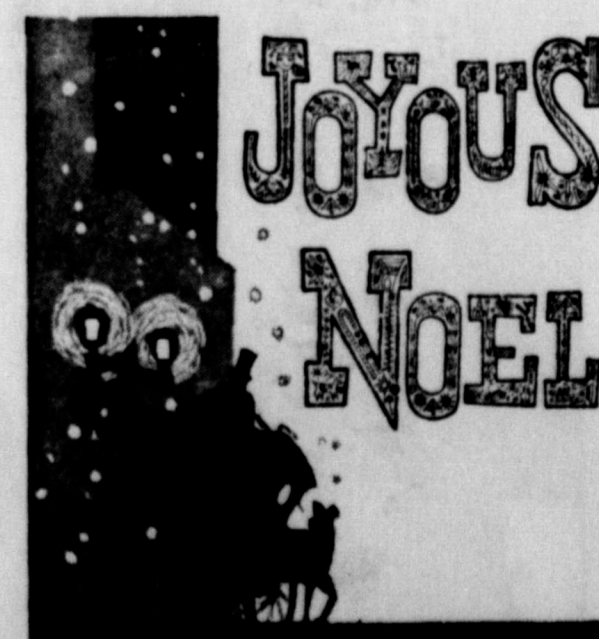
TED SIMMONS CHEVROLET

Ted, Sue, Ted D., Mark and Susan

It's Time
to Wish Our
Good Friends
an Old Fashioned
Merry Christmas

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Grace and E. J. Windom, Sr.



May you cherish the spirit and memory
of Christmas through all the coming
year.

McLEAN GIN

Henry and Edith Lowrance

We wish you a
**FULL
MEASURE**
of the Season's Joy!



GREERS RESTAURANT

Gene and Rexie Greer



PEACE ON EARTH

There's so much more than expensive gifts and
festive parties to make a Christmas merry! More than
anything, it is the warmth and cheer of neighbors and
friends who join in wishing you the hearty, sincere greetings
of the Season.

It is the spirit of brotherhood expressed by the Day
itself . . . the hopes and aspirations of mankind for peace
on earth, unto all men good will -- to which we would like
to add our best wishes for a very Merry Christmas!

WARM WISHES AND THANKS TO OUR FRIENDS
YOUR GRAY COUNTY OFFICIALS

CHARLIE THUT
County Clerk
OLA GREGORY
County Treasurer

JACK BACK
Tax Assessor-Collector
HELEN SPRINKLE
District Clerk

RUFE JORDAN
County Sheriff
S. R. LENNING
County Judge

DOWN MEMORY LANE

50 Years Ago

J. Bryon Kibler, son of our telephone man, J. W. Kibler, has been promoted from rank of a sergeant to that of second lieutenant. He has been transferred from Company H to Company B in the 142nd Infantry.

In keeping with the long established custom, we will not issue The News next week. We believe that the people who make the paper are entitled to a week's relaxation, and the opportunity thus afforded to put the plant in better shape.

Governors of 5 states appeal to citizenship of Southwest to enroll

in Red Cross ranks.

There is in display at the Edwin Drug Company four maps of Texas, drawn by pupils in Miss Capple Dickey's room, that surprises one who is not informed as to the present day efficiency in teaching drawing.

40 Years Ago

Miss Floy Rowe presented her expression students, assisted by Misses Julia Dean and Ruth Greenwood, in a recital in the high school auditorium Wednesday night at 7:30 to an interested and attentive audience.

A most interesting Christmas program has been arranged for tonight (Thursday) at the school auditorium.

A big dance will be given tonight (Thursday) by the McLean Fire Department in honor of the new paving in the business district.

Tommy Ryan, who holds the title of the only undefeated middleweight boxing champion of the world, was in McLean last Friday and addressed the school body and several patrons and trustees.

The "Vodvil" show given at the high school auditorium last Friday evening was one of the most enjoyable affairs of the kind ever staged in McLean.

County Commissioner Newman reports the McClellan Creek bridge practically completed, and only a very few days will be required to open the bridge for traffic.

J. C. Neudigate has returned from Chicago, and drilling was resumed on the Neudigate-Chapman test Wednesday.

REMOVING BURS

If you have a long-haired hunting dog and hunt in bur country, rub the dog's ears and tail with petroleum jelly. It makes combing burs out very easy.

DR. JACK L. ROSE OPTOMETRIST

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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Parsons Rexall Drug



The giving of gifts is an indispensable part of the Christmas observance. The Wise Men and the shepherds set the pattern when they came to Bethlehem with presents for the child Jesus. Their gifts, no more than each could afford, were presented with humble sincerity.

Let us not therefore consider Christmas as a time for "the exchange of gifts." If we offer a present to someone because we know or think they will offer one to us, we are not giving a gift in the true sense. And we destroy the significance of gift giving when we feel obligated to give to each individual something that is better or more expensive than that which we receive from them.

Gift-giving is in the spirit of Christmas. It is sharing with others. It is remembering loved ones and friends. It is the remembrance—not the cost of the gift—that makes it worthwhile.



We really didn't mean to use the following in this column but each time we tell it folks give me the well-known "Horse Laugh," so we are turning to our readers for support. Please, will some of you Aggie readers, who have been so kind in the past, help me out.

As all of you in our hometown know, we make what has to be "a get by" out of ranching and farming. According to one definition of a cowman, we own just enough cattle to be permitted to wear one pants leg inside our boots.

Our story begins a little over one year ago when we had forty-three two year old whiteface heifers becoming mother cows. By helping each on we saved forty-one calves and all cows with the vet having to do a c-section on one that lost a calf. This spring they calved again and only a few had to be helped. Six waited until fall. Last week we found one of the six having a bit of trouble. At first it didn't seem serious so my son and I decided to wait thirty minutes on mother nature. When we returned she had moved a couple of hundred yards and was standing in a little crowding pen in front of a chute in which she was placed last year to be helped. Evidently, she had decided she was in more trouble than we had thought. She was... The little calf barely breathed and it was late in the evening before it's tongue lost enough swelling for it to find its supper.

Will some of you ranchers who own enough mother cows to wear both pants bottoms stuffed in your boots, please help us convince my friends. Even some of my relatives laughed out loud when we told it.

Every time we give someone a piece of our mind we run the risk of not getting it back.

Its costing our country more to make friends these days than it once did to whip our enemies.



WHILE THEY LAST

NUTS ALMONDS - BRAZIL - PECANS WALNUTS & MIXED NUTS

PKG.

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fresh Vegetables
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Cradle to go with it and some
blankets.

I love you,
Melodie

Dear Santa Claus,
I don't know what I want for
Christmas but I've been good this
year so please bring something.
I'm very easy to please this year.
You can bring me anything,
clothes, dolls, anything just so
its something.

Love,
Kris Gardner,

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a fun flower maker
and a suzy home maker and a
crawling doll and some skates.

Love,
Cathy Estes

Dear Santa Claus,
I am feeling fine and hope to
stay that way and my little bro-
thers I hope are to. I would like
a Sorry game and I do not know
what else I would like yet but I
am thinking of what I would like.

Love,
William

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a B B gun and a Juggle
set, and a road race set. Remem-
ber my friend Curt.

Your friend,
Ron



HEAD STATE'S LARGEST FRATERNITY

These four top officers were elected to head the Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas in 1968 at the annual communication in Waco. Named to head the state's largest fratern-
ity were (left to right): Joe W. Steed of Mount Pleasant as Grand Junior Warden,
Grand Senior Warden Hal Burnett of Alpine, Grand Master J. W. Chandler of Hous-
ton and Deputy Grand Master J. Guy Smith of Dallas. Over 3,500 Masons from Texas
Lodges attended the meeting.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a baby hungry and I
want a game called Slapstick,
and I also want a Susy home
maker blender.

Love,
Maridale

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a electric shooting gal-
lery.

Your friend,
Rickey

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a 3-speed bicycle and
a Johnny Speed, and a B B gun
and a football and a pool table.
I have been a good boy.

Your friend,
Billy

Dear Santa Claus,
Would you bring me a race
truck, and a weely bar. But most
of all a pelot gun, and a chem-
istry set and microscope.

With love,
Carroll Summers

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a BB Gun,
and a GI Joe, clothes and equip-
ment, Rocket, Fright Factory,
Haunted House, Bank, Electric
football game, Super City, base-
ball, bat and Creepy Crawlers.

Love,
Lane Prickett



The plum pudding long asso-
ciated with holiday feasts con-
tains much more than plums.
No one is quite sure where the
plum pudding originated, but
there is an interesting legend
concerning an early holiday
pudding.

According to the story, an
English king and his hunting
party were caught by a blizzard
while in the woods one Christ-
mas Eve. One member of the
party was instructed to prepare
dinner for the group, using
whatever food he could find.

He came up with some bits
of stag, which he cut into fine
pieces, he added flour, bird's
eggs, dried plums, ale, brandy,
sugar and meat from some wild
game.

To the surprise of everyone,
including the chef, the result
was a delicious hot, plum pud-
ding. To this day, a true plum
pudding contains all of the
above-mentioned ingredients.

Dear Santa Claus,
I Would like to have a baby
hungry. It eats and drinks.
Best wishes,
Rhonda

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a twelve gage shotgun,
a tape recorder, a Johnny Speed,
a action highway, a creepy crawl-
er set.

Your friend,
Curtis

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Susie homemak-
er washer, and a pair of cowboy
boots and a watch.

Love,
Ann,

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a watch for Christmas
and three little locket kettles. Do
not forget the other boys and
girls.

Your friend,
Judith Bentley

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a pair of white
boots and a baby burp. I have
tried to be a good girl this year.
Don't forget the other girls and
boys.

Love,
Crystal

Dear Santa,
I am 3 years old, so Mama still
has to write most of my business
letters for me. Christmas is
coming pretty soon now everyone
says, so I would like to put in
a few good words for myself and
my sister.

We have been very good little
kids this year. At least I have.
My sister is only 8 months old
and she cries a lot, but Daddy
says babies are like that. Her
name is Val Marie and she would
probably be happy with just
any toy you would bring, just as
long as it is something she can
chew on. She has chewed most
of my stuff up by now, so please
bring her something of her own.
Oh yes, if you could bring her a
tooth or two, we would all be
very happy. She sure looks silly
without any.

As for myself, I am all boy,
so please don't bring me any
thing that breaks very easy. Ma-
ma and Daddy say that since I
want everything in the catalogue,
my toys are all going to be sur-
prise, but Santa, if you would
like a hint or two, I sure do like
all kinds of space toys.

Don't forget my cousins Bruce
and Jodie. I will be seeing them
at Grandma and Granddad Gor-
din's this year, but on Christmas
Day I will be at Grandpa and
Grandma Sharp's house in Mc-
Lean. If it isn't too much trou-
ble, you could deliver our toys
there.

Merry Christmas Santa Claus,
and don't forget to bring extra
big loads of happiness for every-
one this year.

Love,
Tracy Liye Gordin
Dumas, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me Baby Hungry,
and some doll dresses, a watch,
a radio, a box of candy.

Love,
Cathy Beshears

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Fright-
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Love,
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Love,
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Please bring me some Dr.
Seuss books, set of 4 Gumby out-
fits, Crazy Mirror, Mr. Magic,
Silly Sand, Bash! Ka-Boom!,
Sinky, wig, watch, and Bizzy
Buzz Buzz.

Love,
Gina Layne

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bow and ar-
row, an a police car, an creeple
People, a Dr. Seuss book, a gun
holster, and a railroad track.

Love,
Dale Dorman

Dear Santa,
I am 4 years old. I have been
a good boy. My name is Brett
George Simmons. I hope you
have been alright. How are all
of the reindeer? I hope they are
alright. Well I guess I will tell
you what I want for Christmas.
Well I want a trailer to fit my
John Deer tractor, also a Cheer-
ful tearful Doll, a television that
plays music and has pictures.
Santa that is all I want for Christ-
mas this year but I do want you
to bring all of my brothers and
sisters something nice. Also Mom-
my and Daddy too.

Santa I sure will thank you for
all the things you get me and my
family. Thanks again Santa.

Love,
Brett George Simmons

Dear Santa,
Please bring me Incredible-
Edible. I want a racing and a
football. I like a Clarinet and a
baseball. I want a truck and a
Creepy People and a BB Gun.

Love,
Randy Kennedy

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll, Incredi-
ble Edibles, a record player,
Silly Sand, and a watch.

Love,
Lanau Sons

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a B B Gun.
Please bring me Incredible
Edible with Creepy People.

Love,
Dion Bryant

Dear Santa,
I am 2 years old and a little
girl with long red hair. I would
like to have a dollie and doll bug-
gie. Will be looking for you. Lots
of luck.

Kimberely Hill



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Please bring me a watch, some
doll dresses for my doll, a radio
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Love,
Melinda Hunt

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a B B Gun.
I do not know if this is too much
I would like a bow and arrow and
a boy scout suit, a hatchet, a
cowboy suit, a Bizzy Buzz Buzz,
and a jack knife.

Love,
Rocky Greer

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a football and a type-
writer.

your friend,
Dale

Dear Santa,
Hi! Boy I wish we could have
some snow this year, I am four
years old and have red hair. But
don't mistake me for my daddy.
I would like to have a big football
and football uniform. Have a big
Christmas.

Emmitt Dane Hill

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a catapillar,
spurs, rope, and race car set.
Also a B B gun and Johnny Eag-
le.

Love,
Charles Pierce

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a 6 year old boy. I would
like to have a train and a mighty
loader and a truck cement mix-
er and a road grader. Thank you.

Dwayne Morgan



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Luke 2:11



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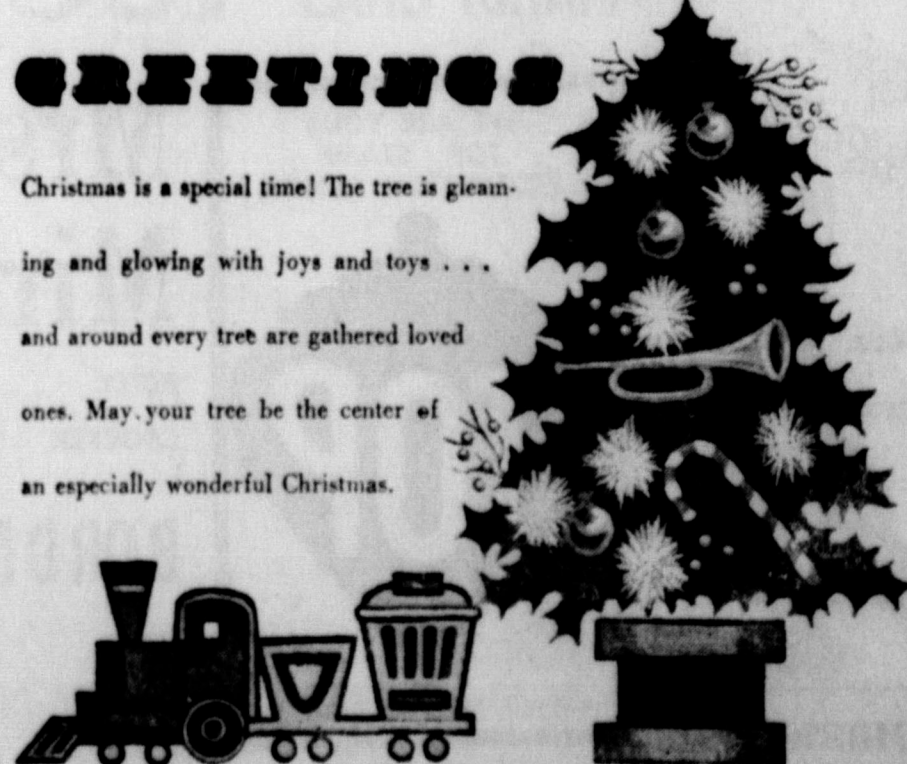
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Stringing Christmas lights on outdoor trees is a growing tradition, yet some homeowners are not aware that caution is required in the future interest of the tree.

Bulbs of 15 wattage are sufficient for outdoor use. Even these should not be allowed to touch needles of yew, chamaecyparis, pine, fir and spruce, else the scorched needles will show up as brown spots next spring.

Periodically check the position of your outdoor lights. Winds may shift them. Be sure the sockets are pointed downward to keep out snow and water. And, if possible, keep the lights high, beyond the reach of little children.

Early History Of Christmas Trees

Tradition has it that Christmas trees were first popularized in Germany by Christian missionaries who chopped down the trees worshipped by the pagans and caused a decorated tree to become part of the Christian celebration.

Early German immigrants to America, in an effort to preserve the type of Christmas they had known in the old country, popularized decorated trees in the United States. It has been established that Moravians at Bethlehem, Pa., used pyramids of green brushwood decorated with apples, candles and various ornaments, as early as 1747.

The Good Witch Visits Italy's Young

It is on January 6, the Feast of the Epiphany, and not on Christmas Eve that Italian children place their shoes by the fireplace. The shoes are placed in anticipation of the arrival of "Befana", the good witch, who comes down the chimney on a broom to fill the shoes left out for her — sweets for the good youngsters, coal in the shoes of the naughty.

French Observance Features Manger Scene

Many French homes have not only the Christmas tree but as well the traditional Creche, or manger scene, populated with terra cotta figures called santons. Midnight Mass is a tradition with French Catholics and when they return home they take part in the Reveillon, an elaborate feast of many courses. Before retiring, French children place their shoes near the fireplace in anticipation of a visit from "Pere Noel."

IN MEXICO

During the holiday season in Mexico, the greeting is "Feliz Navidad" and almost every home boasts a nacimiento, or creche. Some are elaborate, many are simple and homemade, yet each is a manger scene complete with the traditional figures of Jesus, Mary, Joseph, the Three Wise Men, shepherds, animals and the Star of Bethlehem.

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Vows Read For Miss Linda Melton, Gary Montgomery

Miss Linda Melton became the bride of Gary Paul Montgomery in a double ring ceremony, Saturday night, December 16, at 8:00 p. m. in the First Baptist Church of McLean. Officiating was the pastor, Rev. Dan Beltz.

Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Melton of McLean are the parents of the bride. Mrs. Grace Montgomery and the late P. A. Montgomery of Yakima, Washington are the parents of the bridegroom.

The church platform was lined with candles and greenery, accented by two bouquets of red carnations and white mums.

Mrs. Paul Miller, the organist, preluded the ceremony with a group of selected hymns and preludes. The soloist, Miss Barbara Holbrook, a senior at Baylor University, sang "I Love Thee" by Grieg and "The Lord's Prayer." Also Miss Holbrook read a selected scripture reading from I Corinthians in the Bible.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white peacock satin gown with a boat neck and an empire waistline accented by a satin bow. Lace covered the bottom and the sleeves of the gown. The bride carried out her color and white with a red

and white bouquet to carnations. A bow headpiece held her veil, and she carried a nosegay of red and white carnations.

Sylvia Mostue of Abilene was her matron of honor and wore a street length red satin brocade dress and matching headpiece. She carried one long white carnation.

Best man was Arlan Mostue of Abilene.

Ushers were Jimmy Baker and Ted Simmons both of McLean.

A reception was held in the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church following the ceremony. Mrs. Frank Simpson, Mrs. Stanley Ryan, Mrs. Bob Duniver, hostesses, all of McLean. Mrs. Guy Hester, Mrs. Carl Baker, and Mrs. Morris Brown were the hostesses, all of McLean. Miss Sue Kunkel served and registered the guests.

The bride was graduated from Ballinger High School and is attending Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. She is a member of Sigma Alpha Iota, a professional music fraternity for women, and holds the office of Chaplain. Miss Melton is a Music Education Major with a principle in voice.

The bridegroom is a graduate of A. C. Davis High School in Yakima, Wash. While in the U. S. Air Force, he is stationed at Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene and is attending McMurry Col-



TABLE DECORATIONS

Table decorations are an essential during the holiday season. Let the basic rules guide you when doing your home arrangement.

Decorators say the arrangement should be kept as low as possible to allow across-the-table conversation without "dodging" heads back and forth.

There'll be plenty of food around during the holidays, so be sure the decorations don't take up too much room.

Care should be exercised to subordinate the receptacles used to the materials used as decorations.

Use plenty of color but don't allow one shade to dominate too much.

While minister to France, Thomas Jefferson studied French cuisine and wrote a cook book for use in the kitchen at Monticello.

CARD OF THANKS

We will never forget all the kindness shown to our Daddy and Papap (Jesse Lee Dykes) during his illness, and the wonderful people who "cared" at his death. Thank you for the beautiful flowers, cards, lovely food, calls, comforting words and everything. May God Bless each of you, is our prayer.

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Unhappy that she had no gifts to take to Bethlehem, Madelon sank to the ground and wept. Suddenly, an angel appeared and asked the child why she was weeping. When Madelon responded that she wept because she had no gift for the Christ Child, the angel reminded her that "A gift of the heart is best of all." The angel then disappeared and was replaced by a beautiful rose tree, bearing fair white blossoms.

Madelon gathered the blossoms and hurried to the manger at Bethlehem. She lay her gift before the manger, and so the story goes, the white blossoms turned a most beautiful pink - the first Christmas roses.

Under private ownership of business enterprises, customers are not required to wait for a political election to express disapproval of inefficiency.

SWPS ANNOUNCES ITS 1968 EXPANSION PROGRAM

Power plant additions which will increase the company's electric generating capability by 225,000 kilowatts make up the major investments in a \$17,818,000 construction program for 1968 were announced today by Roy Tolk, president of Southwestern Public Service Company.

"We have invested more than \$200-million in new equipment in the last ten years for just one purpose, meeting the needs of our customers. Our 1968 program is another step in a continuing effort to assure our 45,000 square mile area of the electric power necessary for it to reach its full growth potential, Tolk said in announcing the electric company's 1968 plans.

The company's generating capability will go to 1,717,000 kilowatts, twice what it was ten years ago, with the completion of a 210,000 kilowatt addition to Nichols Station, northeast of Amarillo, and the installation of a 15,200 kilowatt gas turbine in the Guyton, Oklahoma area.

The Guyton installation will be used principally for peaking purposes during periods of high usage, but will also provide area protection, complementing transmission line power sources in the Oklahoma Panhandle. The plant will be operated by remote control from Guyton and can be brought up to full production in a matter of minutes.

In view of the concern about reliability of service which is prevalent in some areas of the nation and in political circles in Washington, Tolk pointed out that Southwestern Public Service Company will have adequate reserve capabilities in 1968.

Water and electricity will begin combining forces for efficiency and economy in 1968 with the beginning of the utilization of the Sanford Dam Project by the 11 member cities of the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority. The major pumping on this system will be done electrically on a controlled peak system supervised at the Southwestern Public Service Company's dispatching center in Amarillo, with the most efficient generating units being utilized, thus keeping production costs as low as possible.

Other improvements planned in the 1968 program will strengthen

the electric company's 4200 mile transmission system which interconnects 10 major power plants and provide for additions to distribution facilities in communities throughout the service area.

"1967 was a year of decision on the High Plains and this is the basis of our optimism for 1968 and other years to come. The thoughtful consideration and financial support which has been given this year to plans and programs to bring imported water to this area typifies the initiative of the people of this region. This 'It can be done' spirit benefits the world and the nation - as well as this region, for no other area is better suited to agricultural development. With supplemental water, this territory will play a major role in feeding the world, and the diversified development of agriculture and industry will make it one of the most productive areas of the nation," Tolk concluded.

Gray County CONSERVATION

By William M. Sowers
Soil Conservationist

The Gray County Soil and Water Conservation District is one of the more active districts in the Panhandle. The supervisors have worked hard to improve the Soil and Water Conservation Program in Gray County. Much of this work goes unnoticed by the general public because they do not know the district or the work that they do.

A Soil and Water Conservation District (S&WCD) can be compared to a public school district. However, a S&WCD cannot levy taxes as does a school district. It is comprised of local landowners and operators within the designated district boundaries. The S&WCD is a legal subdivision of the state government, with five elected supervisors who direct the S&WCD's and Water Conservation Districts. The Secretary of Agriculture, when formally requested, executes a memorandum of understanding with a S&WCD to furnish technical assistance through the Soil Conservation Service (SCS). SCS technicians assist the S&WCD in promoting an overall soil and water conservation program.

The Gray County Soil & Water Conservation District consists of: Robert Saylor, Chairman; Curtis Schaffer, Secretary; James Clift, Vice Chairman; Milton Carpenter and Sam Bowers were elected last October. Landowners in their areas should contact them or the Soil Conservation Service about their Soil and Water conservation problems.

Palm Tree Favorite In Southern Lands

The palm is a favorite for yuletide decorating in southern climates. In this respect many Southerners are quick to point out that palm was the common tree, not the pine, in Bethlehem where Christ was born.

Palm trees are lighted and decorated in much the same manner that Northerners light their outdoor spruces and pines. To avoid damage and accidents lights are usually strung under the midrib of each palm frond, and stars and other ornaments are not attached to new tips or unopened center buds.

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VETERANS INFORMATION

Q-As a non-veteran, may I buy a G. I. home when it has been repossessed and again offered for sale?
A-The Veterans Administration has for sale to anyone who can qualify as to credit standing, a large number of homes which have been foreclosed following non-payment by the G. I. purchaser. See your real estate broker, since most brokers are cooperating with the VA, to find out if any of these homes are in your area.

Q-My husband filled out our tax return but he is now in Vietnam. What should I do about the letter I got from you about the return?
A-Telephone your local IRS office. They will give you all the help they can.

Q-We have just adopted a child. Can we start claiming her as a dependent now for withholding purposes?
A-Yes. A legally adopted child for dependency purposes, child of dependency purposes.

Q-I am the parent of a veteran who draws compensation for service incurred disabilities. How much income can I have and continue to be considered a dependent?
A-Each case must be determined on its own merits since dependency of the parent must be established. The payment to the veteran is based on the fact that he is responsible for the principal support of his parent.

Q-My oldest child recently reached age 18. He will continue in school two more years but is only able to go two hours per week. Can I continue to consider him a dependent for compensation purposes?
A-The student must attend the equivalent of three regular daily or evening sessions per week. Two hours could qualify, depending on the length of the sessions of the school.

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AGRICULTURE IS BIGGEST INDUSTRY

The nation's biggest industry is not U. S. Steel, General Motors or AT&T and yet employs six million workers.

What is this industry. The answer is simple. Modern agriculture.

The farmer's contribution to the American way of life are substantiated by figures from the United States Department of Agriculture. The USDA shows that agriculture's assets total \$238 billion. This sum is equal to about half the market value of all corporation stocks on the New York Stock Exchange.

Today's farmer is also a good customer. He spends nearly \$30.3 billion a year for goods and services to produce crops and livestock. In buying the same thing city folks buy, the farmer spends \$12 billion a year on food, clothing, drugs, furniture, appliances and other products.

According to the USDA, the farmer's purchases include: \$4.7 billion in new farm machinery. It takes 119,000 employees to produce this farm equipment; \$3.3 billion for fuel, lubricants and maintenance of machinery and motor vehicles. Farming uses more petroleum than any other industry; \$6.5 billion for feed and seed. \$1.7 billion for fertilizer and lime, 30 billion kilowatt-hours of electricity or more than is needed annually by Baltimore, Chicago, Boston, Detroit, Houston and Washington, D.C.

The modern farmer is a creator of employment. Three out of

every 10 jobs in private employment are related to agriculture. Six million people have jobs providing the supplies farmers use and eight to 10 million people have jobs storing, transporting, processing and merchandising agricultural products.

President Johnson said that in less than a generation, the American farmer has created a greater agricultural abundance than his predecessors through all the generations of American history achieved.

"Our food and other farm products are helping to relieve hunger and to promote economic growth in the newly developing countries of the world," Johnson said.

This agricultural abundance is a powerful force for world peace.

Chinese gold rush workers gathered at the diggings and shipped it to China, leaving the gold to the Americans.

HOLIDAY STAINS

How do you remove Christmas stains? The best trick to remember is to work fast. Don't let the stain set in the fabric. Even a short delay can be disastrous.

Following are directions for treating washable fabrics to remove the stains you will most probably encounter during the holidays.

Ballpoint ink — use carbon tetrachloride to remove the stains. Soak in warm soap or detergent suds, then wash and rinse in clear water. If discoloration remains on white or bleached material, use a mild bleach and launder again.

Candle wax — scrape off excess wax with a table knife. Place stained spot between blotters (white) and press with hot iron. Then rub spot gently with turpentine and wash in warm suds.

Glue — soak in warm suds until dissolved; then launder in fresh warm suds.

Chocolate or cocoa — wash in hot suds. Treat any remaining stain with a weak solution of household bleach or hydrogen peroxide and launder again in hot suds.

Meat juices — soak in cool water; then wash in hot suds.

Gravy and white sauce — soak in cool water then wash in hot suds.

Paint — if fresh, use lots of suds. Otherwise, apply turpentine or kerosene and then wash in hot suds.

Alcoholic beverages — soak or sponge with cool water promptly; then wash in warm suds.

CHRISTMAS, FLA.

Christmas, Florida, postmark on thousands of holiday packages each year, is located 23 miles east of Orlando and was originally established as a fort to provide protection against hostile Indians — some 126 years ago.

Today, thousands throughout the United States and Europe send packages to be mailed from Christmas, now a symbol of peace and good will.

THE FIRST GIFTS

Gold, frankincense, and myrrh, the first Christmas gifts, represented the most precious items of the day. Only the best was considered a suitable gift for a king, and the Wise Men had traveled far to pay their respect to the newborn infant.

The Wise Men were kings themselves—and they could afford expensive gifts. In modern-day gift giving, we should not place emphasis on the cost of the gifts we give. It is the spirit of giving that is important and that is appreciated. This can be readily understood when we note that the simple presents of the shepherds were appreciated as much as the valuable gifts of the three kings.

THE FAMILY LAWYER

"GOING, GOING, GONE!"

Customs that endure for 2,500 years are rare enough to command respect. The auction is that old a custom. Known in the days of ancient Babylon, it is still working its magic spell on buyers of everything from silver snuff boxes to great works of art.

The essence of an auction (from the Roman word for "in-

crease") is open competitive bidding. And it is to preserve this essence that the law has established certain basic rules of the game.

One key rule is that bids must be legitimate, not just "puffing" to artificially jack up the price. Thus, a buyer at an auction was allowed to back out of his purchase when he discovered that a rival bidder had been hired secretly by the seller to make fake bids.

"The offer of property at public auction," said the court, "is itself a proclamation by the seller that the highest bidder, in a fair and open competition, is to obtain the property. Any

secret understanding, calculated to thwart this end, is a fraud upon the innocent."

But if the law frowns on tactics that artificially push the price up, it also frowns on tactics that artificially hold the price down.

For example: A man at an auction pretended to be bidding on behalf of a local charity. Reluctant to compete with such a good cause, other bidders kept silent—and the man got away with a bargain.

But his bargain was cancelled in a courtroom when the truth came out. Again, the evil lay in tampering with the basic competitive process.

Like any other contract, the

sale at an auction is complete until there is an offer and an acceptance. The offer is the bid itself, may be conveyed by a wink of the eye, a snap of the fingers—just as long as the auctioneer gets the message.

The acceptance is conveyed by the banging hammer on the block. That moment, a bidder is inurely free to withdraw his offer.

But once the hammer deal is closed. The whether to his delight or chagrin, has made a contract of purchase. The lined bathtub is now his. And so is the bill.



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Day	Book	Chapter	Verses
Sunday	Psalms	2	1-9
Monday	Isaiah	7	10-17
Tuesday	Isaiah	9	1-7
Wednesday	Zechariah	8	1-8
Thursday	Matthew	2	1-12
Friday	Luke	2	1-7
Saturday	Luke	2	8-21

The lights of Christmas shine in children's eyes As they uncover each well-kept surprise, And we remember, as we share their joy, That Jesus too was once a little boy.

He must have laughed and shouted at His play Just as the youngest ones will do today. And surely Mary watched with pride and love . . . Thinking of shepherds, and a star above.

This day is blessed by children's happy voices. The bells ring out; the Christian world rejoices. With all the gladness grateful hearts can bring. We celebrate the birthday of a King.

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