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GASOLINE TRUCK FIRE

Firemen battle a gasoline truck fire on Highway 83 Thursday, Dec. 14. The blaze destroyed the truck, Shumate Gulf Station and a car parked in the station.

County Billed \$16,423 in Gas Line Accident

Lone Star Gas Company has billed Collingsworth County \$16,423.12 for repair to a gas line 12 miles southwest of Wellington which was cut June 19 by a county-owned maintainer working on a dirt road.

The bill was received by County-District Clerk Helen Gollighugh Friday, December 15 and turned over to county Judge Zook Thomas and members of the commissioners court.

Court members have called the bill "excessive" and "most outrageous."

The commissioners met in a special session Monday, December 18, to consider Lone Star's action. They agreed to fight the bill and to hire a lawyer to represent their interest.

County Commissioner Bill

Lowe estimated the length of the pipe used in the repair as six feet of 6-inch pipe.

Here is the bill as it was presented by Lone Star Gas: Labor and equipment \$14,643.62; materials \$60.36; miscellaneous, motels, etc. \$1,226.02; gas loss \$493.12; total \$16,423.12.

The commissioner was instructed to remit its check to Jim Horn, Claims Department, Lone Star Gas Company, Dallas.

After the accident, Zook Thomas and Bill Lowe, Commissioner of Precinct 3, went to examine the break and reported the maintainer blade struck the pipe in the barrow ditch. Although this did not occur in Lowe's precinct, he was the only available commissioner.

The commissioners court contends the pipe, which is the

main gas line between Wellington and Memphis, was buried too shallow, Lowe said that in places the top half of the pipe was visible above ground and estimated it is only 12 to 14 inches below the surface the middle of the road bed. He said a gas company representative estimated it to be 18 inches.

"This is the most outrageous thing you ever heard of and we are going to fight it," Lowe said. "They have just raised gas rates and now this." He referred to increases in rates granted by the Railroad Commission for both Wellington and rural users.

Lowe also pointed out that there was damage to the maintainer, which was driven by Earl Parker at the time of the accident.

The commissioner said he

felt the county should be paid for the broken glass in the maintainer, which occurred from gas pressure when the line broke, and for down-time on the machine.

Judge Thomas pointed out that this is not the first time that Lone Star Gas has billed

the county for work at a rate the commissioners considered unfair. When Highway US 83 was widened between Wellington and Lutie, it crossed Lone Star line three times.

For replacing 2,904 feet of

concrete floor can be used if care is taken in tearing down the old building. Located at the corner of Amarillo and 9th Streets, it is immediately north of Bura Handley Community Center.

The fire station will be on the north part of the lot, next to 9th Street, leaving an open area between it and the community center. One use of this will be additional parking area for the center.

Taylor told the council members that city employees will be used to remove the roof and salvage the lumber, and city employees and equipment will push over the walls.

Five CETA employees, working under a city employee will be used to clean the bricks and stack them on pallets.

City Schedules Work on Fire Department

The city will start demolition of the Kelly Pigg Building immediately after the Christmas holidays to make way for a new fire station, City Manager Glen Taylor told council members Monday night Dec. 18.

The brick will be used in the new building, as will much of the lumber salvaged from the roof, Taylor said. Most of the

Collision-Fire Loss May Pass \$100,000

A collision involving a gasoline transport truck and two cars, and the fire which resulted, left two persons injured and property damage that will exceed \$100,000.

The collision occurred at 6:05 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 14, at the intersection of Highway 83 and 8th Street. Within moments after the impact the truck carrying approximately 9,000 gallons of gasoline overturned and its compartments exploded. Burning gasoline engulfed and set fire to the Shumate Gulf Station, which was a total loss.

More burning gasoline moved south on US 83 for a block before it went into a drain at the street curb. However, it had set fire to grass around the Farm Bureau Building, and heat broke the windows.

Injured and taken to Collingsworth General Hospital were:

William Roy Goodenough, 40, of 2733 Mohawk, Amarillo, driver for Taylor Petroleum Co., owner of the truck. He was later transferred to Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo; and

Carl Shumate, owner-operator of the service station. He was trapped inside the burning building approximately 45 minutes.

Chief Deputy Jerry Settle, Bill Anders, Danny Gray, Jim Carroll and Jim Sikes broke a window on the north side and pulled Shumate out. He was treated for burns on his face,

hands and arms and for shock,

family members said. Drivers of the two cars, Mrs. Pearl Harwell and Don Lewis, were treated at the hospital and released.

Mrs. Shumate and their four year old grandson, Dustin McKinney of Childress, were in the family car at the station. Seeing the onrushing blazing gasoline, she grabbed the child, jumped from the car and ran.

Sheriff John Rainey and Patrolman John James, who made the investigation said the collision occurred as the gasoline transport was traveling slowly south in the curb lane, and Mrs. Harwell driving in the inside lane.

According to the two officers, the truck and car collided.

The Harwell car veered to the left and hit the car driven by Don Lewis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lewis, who was northbound. His car was reported not heavily damaged. Lewis was able to move his car out of the street.

Rainey and James said the Harwell car stopped in front of the Farm Bureau Building, on the south end of the same block as the station, and almost immediately after, she was removed and the car towed away by former

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Kiwanis-Ritz Show Will Be Saturday

Wellington Kiwanis Club and the Ritz Theatre will team together for their annual Christmas show entertaining boys and girls of the Collingsworth trade area. This will be Saturday, December 23, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

It will be at the Ritz and is for all children 12 years of age and under, said Don Reeves, Kiwanis president.

The comedy this year will be "Support Your Local Sheriff," featuring James Garner, said John McConnell, Ritz owner-manager.

He estimates the show will be finished shortly before

noon. As the crowd leaves the show, each youngster will receive a sack of goodies from Kiwanis.

"This is our way of saying Merry Christmas to every child in the area," Reeves and McConnell said.

"Kiwanis and the Ritz have been doing this for almost 50 years, and for our local people, the kiddies show is as much a part of Christmas as Santa Claus and decorated trees."

This will be an excellent time for parents to complete last-minute Christmas shopping in Wellington stores.

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McCathern Sounds a Call to the Tractorcade: We Shall Overcome

Hereford farmer and American Agriculture Movement leader Gerald McCathern likened the movement to the Boston Tea Party and the civil rights movement of the 1960's and told Collingsworth County farmers Monday, Dec. 18 that American Ag is the most influential force in American farm economics and politics today.

McCathern is stumping the midwest for a tractorcade set to begin January 22 that will see farmers from the midwest and south driving their tractors to the foot of capitol hill in Washington, D.C. in protest of current farm prices. McCathern is national coordinator for the tractorcade.

McCathern, who is an articulate spokesman for the movement and who has criss-crossed the country attending meetings, rallies, and demonstrations during the past year, said the black mayor of Atlanta told him that American farmers do have

rights, but that they'll have to fight for them.

"He told me that during the height of the civil rights movement no more than 14% of blacks supported the movement, and fewer than 3% were out front and fighting for their rights," McCathern said. "So don't be discouraged if it



GERALD McCATHERN

looks like you don't have support from all farmers and all people in rural towns."

"The black movement was fighting social oppression and the farm movement is fighting economic oppression," McCathern said. "They won, and we've got more than they had to work with; we've got the food. And one of these days we're going to learn how to control it, and we're going to win the fight for economic opportunity."

McCathern said that politicians and the media have recognized American Agriculture as the "voice of agriculture today." He detailed meetings during the past year with various politicians, including Rep. Jim Wright of Ft. Worth, who (movement leaders thought) reneged on promises to support 100% parity during last spring's Congressional session. McCathern said Wright has now said he will work for the 90% parity goal of

American Agriculture this year.

"Price is our problem," McCathern said. "Farmers traditionally have been able to withstand hail, insects, drought, and floods. But what we haven't been able to withstand is price."

McCathern quoted figures from a January 20, 1948 Lubbock Avalanche-Journal market page which showed that prices for commodities were higher 30 years ago than they are today. "We're living in '78 expenses and receiving '48 income," McCathern said. Wheat that day in 1948 was selling for \$3.21 per bushel, and today McCathern said wheat in Hereford was selling for \$3.10 per bushel.

McCathern also detailed for the 60 farmers and their wives who were present how inflationary trends of the 1970's had affected farmers.

"Our current problems

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IT'S WARM IN HERE

Christy Feemster tries on a new cap that she received as a present at a First United Methodist Church Christmas program, Sunday, Dec. 17, as her grandmother, Mrs. Elmer Feemster, looks on. Christy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lynn Feemster--she'll be two in February.

Mrs. B. Lowrie, Area Pioneer Dies Saturday

Mrs. Bessie Lowrie, who with her parents pioneered on two frontiers during her childhood, died in Thomas Nursing Center at 8:00 a.m. Saturday, December 16. She was 93 years of age.

She came with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. D.M. Henard, from Wise County to Old Greer County, then a part of Texas, in 1885. Ranchers were finding that to be one of the desirable new cattle areas of the southwest.

The family lived in a dugout, and Mrs. Henard traded or sold cottage cheese to the Indians. Mrs. Lowrie recalls when they fed four or five Indians, then after the meal, they would roll up in their blankets outside the dugout and nap for an hour or two.

She also remembers that her father took wagon loads of buffalo bone to Vernon to trade for coal and other supplies.

In 1898, Greer County became a part of Oklahoma, and about that time, Mr. Henard felt greater opportunity lay in Collingsworth County. He moved his family to a ranch northeast of Wellington.

Mrs. Lowrie was born at Boonsville, Wise County March 21, 1885. She attended school at Granite and Mangum, Oklahoma, Bean Hill and Wellington. Then her parents sent three of their children, Mrs. Lowrie the late John Henard and the late Mrs. Carrie Gray to Goodnight College, 61 miles away. Mrs. Lowrie recalled they came home only twice a year.

She was married to Zack T. Lowrie, October 26, 1904, in what is believed to be the first formal wedding in Collingsworth County. The late John Snider, Panhandle barbecue king, recalled to the family some years ago that he rode horseback all night from Amarillo bringing flowers for the wedding. Mr. Lowrie was a Mill Iron cowboy, who is believed to have helped build the first fence on the ranch.

Later, Mr. and Mrs. Lowrie lived in New Mexico, where she taught speech, then called elocution or expression. During World War I, she taught in the Ancho, N.M. Schools.

They returned to Wellington in 1944, and Mr. Lowrie died

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x 60' runway with 6-inch base compacted is estimated at \$26,670. Machine work preparing the runway, laying the base and getting it ready for the topping could be expected to cost about \$61,400.

The city would then apply to the Texas Aviation Commission, Austin, for a matching fund grant. "I think we can stretch our part so that most of it (the cost) will be in the form of labor and machine hire," Taylor said.

Application of the 1 1/2-inch hot mix surface, lighting and a fence are estimated at around \$75,000. Taylor said the city can then apply to the Federal Aviation Agency for a \$75,000 grant. If this is not available, the following year the city could apply for another matching grant from TAC.

Mayor Bill Hatch pointed out that the present 2,500' runway will be retained permanently and would be in use the entire time of the proposed construction.

Council members approved a motion to write the Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation asking for stop lights at 1st and 15th Streets.

Present were Mayor Bill Hatch and council members Wayne Cudd, Lyndon Crelia, Tom Wilkins and Ralph Owens.

April 26, 1952.

Mrs. Lowrie was a charter member of First Christian Church in Wellington. As this denomination did not have a church where she lived in New Mexico, she became a Baptist, and her membership was in First Baptist Church. She was active in its WMU for many years.

Funeral services were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Sunday in First Baptist Church, with the Rev. Stanley Hughes, pastor, officiating. Burial was in the family plot in Fairview Cemetery. Kelso Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pall bearers were great nephews, Jim Henard, Dan Langford, John R. Henard III, Dan Henard, Jr., Joe Henard and Larry Henard.

Surviving Mrs. Lowrie are two sons and three daughters, Claude Lowrie of LaMaders, N.M., Taylor Lowrie of El Paso, Mrs. Clay Henry of Floydada, Mrs. Jack Kassahn of Bovina and Miss Rita Lowrie of Wellington. There are four grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

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16" line and 1,537 feet of 12 inch line, Lone Star billed the county \$64,228.02, Judge Thomas said. The county finally paid approximately \$44,000 for replacing the line at the three highway crossings.

In contrast to the shallow depth which the Lone Star line is buried, the right of way easement and contract the county signed with Perry Gas Transmission, Inc., when its line was laid across the county a few months ago, calls for the line to be laid 36 inches below the surface of the ground.

It also calls for Perry Gas Transmission, Inc., to lay a slab of concrete on all road crossings centered over the gas line. It is to be 30 inches wide, 10 inches thick and reinforced with two 3/8 reinforcement steel bars. The slab of concrete is to be placed 10 inches above the gas line to prevent county equipment from hitting the gas line.

If the roads are widened or rerouted, Perry is to keep the pipeline 36 inches below the surface and to bear the cost of lowering the line and laying the slab. The work is to be done within 120 days after request from the Commissioners Court.

All design, construction, operation and maintenance by Perry will conform with the requirements specified by the Department of Transportation, requirements stipulated by OSHA and requirements dictated by other Federal, state local and industry regulations ordinances and codes.

Lone Star Gas Company acquired its line and others in Collingsworth County, along with the Wellington and Dodson systems from United Gas Co. a number of years ago.

Judge Thomas is searching the county records to determine if an easement and contract was entered into and what its stipulations were. So far, he has not located such an easement.

United Gas laid lines in the county about 1927.

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deputies Gary Thomas and Julian Torrez. Burning gasoline had reached that part of the highway.

The transport struck a concrete culvert at the intersection and either ruptured a gasoline compartment or ripped off the unloading tubes on the under side. Mrs. Shumate told officers the truck was on fire before it overturned and came to rest lying across three lanes of the highway.

Robert Norris, 20-year-old city employee and member of the fire department, was coming out of the Dairy Queen when the truck began to explode. As Goodenough crawled out of the cab of his truck, Norris ran to him, got him away from the fire and took him to the hospital in his pickup. Norris then returned to fight the fire.

A wall of fire across the highway and around the station shot upward and at times reached an estimated height of 100 feet.

The flames were visible from as far away as the outskirts of Shamrock. Burning gas traveled north a short distance, went down a street drain, on the west side of the highway. It emerged on the east side still burning.

James said if gasoline had gone down the drain before it caught fire, it probably would have exploded, tearing the street apart.

Burning gasoline and water went west along 8th Street about halfway to Gibson's

Discount Store. Members of the Steve Owens family kept watch on the roof of that building for flying sparks.

Gasoline storage tanks at the Gulf Station did not explode, and although walls of the building were still standing, the awning and part of the roof had fallen in.

Howard Holton, owner of the building, said he does not have plans to replace the building immediately, but a replacement cost probably would be at least \$40,000.

Wellington firemen called in firefighting units from Shamrock, Childress and Memphis working with all available Wellington units. Approximately 40 firemen came from the surrounding towns.

Power lines burned in two at the fire scene; much of the east and mid sections of Wellington were left without lights.

The communications system at the Sheriff's Department in the court house went out and dispatching was set up at the sheriff's home with Mrs. Rainey and LaNell Waters, dispatcher, working from there.

It took firemen approximately an hour and a half to get the blaze under control, and they did not leave until around midnight.

Highway maintenance employees cleared the highway of debris Thursday.

Jake Meadows, maintenance supervisor, said there was not a great deal of damage to the highway surface, although seal coating will have

to be applied in some spots. Five highway signs were lost.

Traffic was stopped at 1st and 15th Streets and rerouted around the explosion area.

A damage figure has not been reached, but he said the value of the transport unit would be around \$60,000 and of the load of gasoline an estimated \$5,000.

Tom Wilkins reported heat and smoke damage to a ready-built home on his lot on the north side of 8th Street, and to the chain-link fence around his property. Compared to other losses, Wilkins said his would be minor.

Patrolman James said that although a few volunteers gave valuable assistance directing traffic and helping fight the fire, many spectators got in the way. Some of them unknowingly put themselves in dangerous spots.

He said several climbed on top of gasoline storage tanks at Pic and Save at 9th and Highway 83 to get a better view, but not far from where burning gasoline went in the drain. Had the fire progressed farther, the tanks could easily have exploded, James declared.

"For everyone that was helping us, five were getting in the way," he said.

"There are some people who are awfully lucky they weren't hurt at the fire." He emphasized that if people who are asked by an officer to move away from an area do not respond, they are liable to being jailed and fined, if the officer has time to stop what he is doing and take them to jail.

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started when the government decided it no longer needed to back the dollar with gold, McCathern said. "Gold rose over a period of a couple of years from \$35 per ounce to \$170 per ounce."

"The Arabs wanted gold-standard parity for their oil and raised the price. Everything went up and in 1973 and 1974 grain prices went up to parity. But the government stepped in and froze cattle prices and put an embargo on grain. The result was that everything was up to parity prices except farm income."

"And when we stopped generating agricultural income, the nation started to suffer rampant inflation and balance of payments problems."

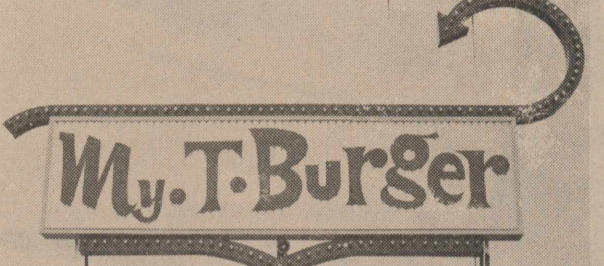
"A John Deere tractor that cost \$8,500 in 1971 sells for \$30,000-\$35,000. And if infla-

tion trends continue along their current paths a combine that costs \$70,000 today will cost \$400,000 in 1985.

"We're going to wind up in a \$400,000 combine chasing \$3.00 wheat up and down the rows," McCathern said.

McCathern told local farmers about plans that are being made for the January tractorcade and urged them to participate. He suggested that four farmers join together and sponsor one tractor to Washington. He also suggested asking four businessmen to join in sponsoring that same tractor to reduce costs.

McCathern said Senator John Tower had told him that if farmers come back to Washington in the same strength that they did last year "this will be the year for agriculture." "But if we don't go back, they'll mark us off," McCathern said.



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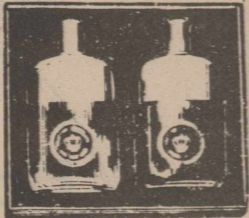
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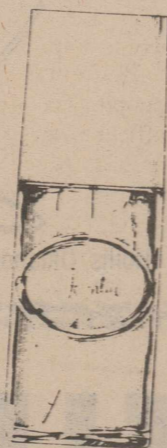
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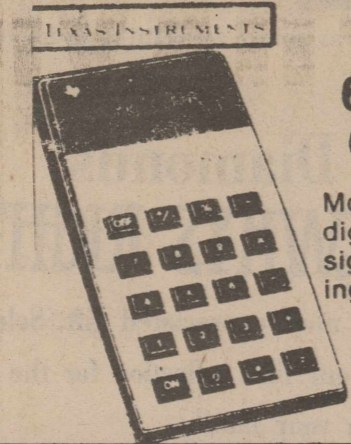


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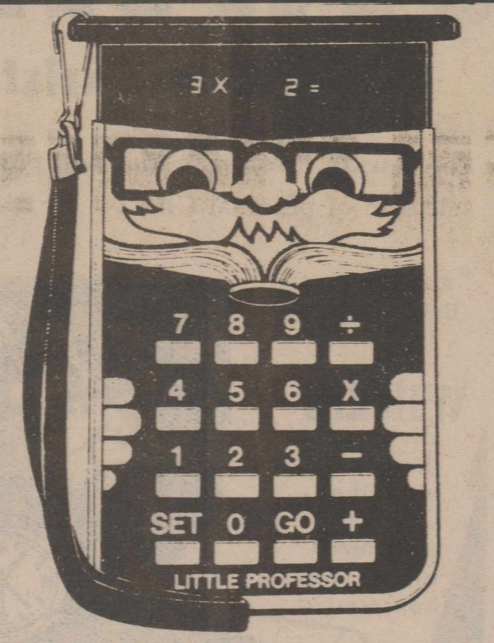


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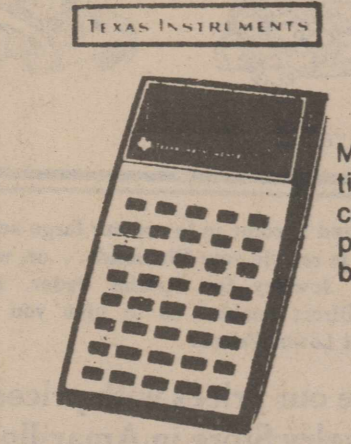
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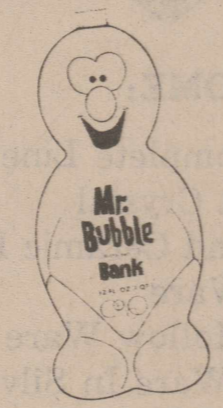
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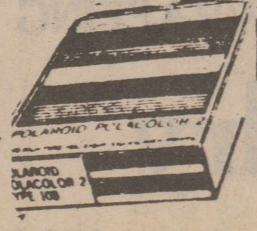
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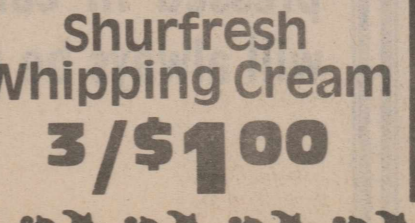
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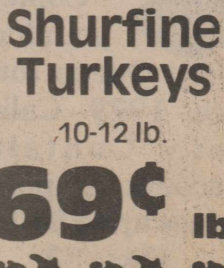
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SHARING

It's the season for giving, and T.L. Lindsey, left, shares with Pike Vaughan a pop gun he just acquired at a Christmas party Sunday night. T.L.'s the son of Jim Lindsey and Pike's parents are Dr. and Mrs. Danny Vaughan of Shamrock.



BASKETBALL

Wellington Quail Samnorwood

SHAMROCK TOURNAMENT
Basketball teams from the three county schools competed in the Shamrock tournament over the weekend.

Wellington girls placed second, losing to Follett 45-36.

Wellington boys took the consolation trophy by defeating Shamrock 47-27, while Samnorwood girls dropped their bid for consolation place to Memphis 48-39. Samnorwood boys made a bid for third place but were nosed out by Memphis 58-55.

In the first round, Miami downed Quail 70-30 leading 18-8, 36-22 and 54-28 at the first three periods. Donna Langley scored 22 points for Quail, Trimble 17 for Miami.

Wellington girls defeated Samnorwood 80-21 after taking a 22-6 lead in the first period. They were ahead 46-13 and 66-15 at the next two periods. Pam Ingram scored 28 points for Wellington and Rose Barker 7 for Norwood.

Quail boys dropped their game to Miami 77-32. Miami led 19-8, 39-16 and 47-25 at the periods.

Eric Hall and Ricky Needham each scored 8 points for Quail and Stone and Daugherty 14 each for Miami.

Samnorwood boys defeated Wellington 55-28 after taking a 16-6 lead at the first period. The Rockets were ahead 25-21 at half time and 40-35 at the third. This was one of the closer games of the tournament. Lowry Schaub scored 28 points for Samnorwood and Charles McIntosh 29 for Wellington.

In the second round losers bracket, Samnorwood girls defeated Quail 36-30, the Eaglettes led 8-2 at the first period, were tied 15-15 at the half and trailed 23-20 at the third.

Donna Langley scored 11 points for Quail and Sally Kincannon 12 for Samnorwood.

Also in the losers bracket, Wellington boys downed Quail 51-36. The Rockets led 16-4, 28-14, and 38-29 at the period breaks.

Jon Sessions scored 18 points for Wellington, Rick Needham 12 for Quail.

In the winners bracket,

Wellington girls defeated Miami 59-38, with quarter leads of 17-12, 34-24 and 44-36. Suzy Chandler scored 30 points for Wellington and Daugherty 20 for Miami.

Again in the winners bracket, Samnorwood boys lost to Miami 60-50. At the first three quarters, Miami led 18-11, 28-17 and 43-35. Lowry Schaub had 14 points for Norwood, R. Stone 20 for Miami.

In the finals rounds, Samnorwood girls bid for a consolation victory was stopped by Memphis 48-39. By quarters, Memphis led 9-6, 21-16, 33-31 and 48-39. Sally Kincannon scored 21 points for Samnorwood, Sonja Hutchinson 20 for Memphis.

Wellington boys defeated Shamrock 47-27 to emerge as consolation winner. By quarters, the Rockets led 12-6, 20-14, 36-18 and 47-27. Charles McIntosh scored 20 points for Wellington, Jessie Salinas 10 for Shamrock.

Playing for third place, Samnorwood lost to Memphis by 3 points in an overtime period, 58-55 in one of the most action packed games of the tournament. The game was tied 12-12 at the first, 29-25 at halftime, then Norwood trailed 41-33 at the third. The score was tied 53-53 at the end of regulation play.

In the championship finals, Wellington girls took second

place after the lost to Follett 45-38. Wellington led 9-7 at the first period, 20-21 at the halfway mark and 28-23 at the third. Suzy Chandler scored 17 points for Wellington and Deanna Corcoran 11 for Follett.

7TH GRADE-HEDLEY

Wellington Seventh Grade teams dropped their games to Hedley boys and girls in games there Monday, Dec. 18.

Hedley girls were winners 20-16. Wellington was ahead 6-4 at the first period. They failed to score in the second and Hedley led 8-6 at halftime. The game was tied 14-14 at the third period, then Hedley scored four points in the final period, but allowed Wellington only two.

Wellington's high point

player was Paula Nash with 6, while Woodward and Haire each had 8 for Hedley.

Hedley boys won their game 16-14, leading 6-2 at the first quarter. The game was tied 6-6 at halftime and 12-12 at the third quarter. Again, Wellington scored only two points in the final period and Hedley four.

Wellington point-makers were Joe Bill Munn, Mark Hunnicutt, and Mike Agüero, each with 4 points and Dewayne Culpepper two. Glover had 8 for Hedley.

Jimmy Chappell coached both teams.

The first gold record for selling a million records of a song went to band leader Glen Miller for "Chattanooga Choo Choo."

Mother of Mrs. Bishop Dies

Mrs. Eva Hall, 90 died Saturday, December 16. Funeral services were Monday, December 18, at 2:00 p.m. at Canadian at First Baptist Church with Rev. Dinzel Leonard pastor officiating. Burial was in the Canadian Cemetery.

Mrs. Hall was born August 31, 1888 in Pratt, Kansas. She had lived in Canadian two years moving there from Gladston, N.M. where she was postmaster from 1946 to 1957. She had taught in the Gladstone public schools prior to that time.

Survivors include five daughters, Mrs. Chris Butler of Canadian, Mrs. Thelma Jones of Long Beach, Calif., Mrs. Oral Bishop of Wellington, Mrs. Lorene Waller of Sunray and Mrs. VernaDall Greenhill of San Jose, Calif., two sons, George of Clayton, N.M., Henry of Denver, Colo.; three sisters Mrs. Omie Fleming of Pueblo Colo., Mrs. Martha Knight of Watonga, Okla. and Mrs. Elizabeth Owen of Canon City, Colo., and 34 grandchildren.

Attending the funeral from here were Mr. and Mrs. Bishop, Mrs. Wade Welch and Mrs. Joey Manuel.

Visiting here this week with Stan Parker from Dallas were Dr. Tommy Davidson, Dr. Jay Herrington, Dr. Bob Stites, Dr. Roy McMordie and Mike Cosgrove.

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Our sincere appreciation to the Wellington community for all your efforts on our behalf during and after the Gulf Station fire last week. We're thankful this Christmas week that no one was seriously injured. We especially want to thank the Wellington Volunteer Fire Department, Collingsworth Volunteer Ambulance Service, Dr. Carter Holcomb and Collingsworth General Hospital staff. Your concern expressed in calls, cards, flowers and visits will always be remembered.

Carl and Jo Shumate

Benefit Dance Slated Dec. 30

The Texas Twisters Square Dance Club is sponsoring a benefit dance for Richard Keller on Saturday, December 30, at the American Legion building. It will begin at 8:00 p.m.

The charge is \$5.00 per couple. All donations can be brought in at that time or sent to the Wellington State Bank, say the sponsors.

Keller was stricken with hepatitis several weeks ago and has been hospitalized.

Leader Readers

R.R. Hightower, John Brim, Mrs. W.C. Lewis, Eddie Smith, W.M. Willis, Mrs. Ivan Bearden, Celia Johnson, Mrs. R.R. Crawley, J.N. Glasgow, Herb Duncan, Frank Fourmentin



BASKETBALL

Wellington Quail Samnorwood

WELLINGTON-SAMNORWOOD

Wellington boys and girls took a double header from Samnorwood Tuesday, December 19 in Rocket Gym. The Rockettes were victorious 55-20 and the Skyrockets 52-43.

Wellington girls had scored 15 points in the first period without allowing Samnorwood to get on the scoreboard. They led 27-7 at half time and 39-14 at the third period. Wellington scored 16 points in the final period while holding the Eagles to 6.

High point girl for Wellington was Suzy Chandler with 19

points; Sally Kincannon had 12 for Norwood.

Wellington boys held only a 19-16 lead at the first quarter and at halftime the Eagles were ahead 33-29. Samnorwood still held a one point lead at the third quarter, 40-39, but in the fourth, Wellington scored 13 points and allowed Samnorwood only 3.

Norwood's Lowry Schaub and Wellington's Charles McIntosh each scored 14 points.

QUAIL-BOOKER
Quail girls took a one-point victory over Booker 36-35, but Quail boys lost their game 55-43.

Quail girls maintained a lead they picked up early in the game, and the score was 16-11 at the first quarter, 24-17 at the halfway point and 31-26 at the third.

Donna Langely scored 9 points for Quail

Quail boys led 9-8 at the first period, but Booker had pulled ahead 25-19 at the half and led 38-29 at the third period.

Ronald Alston scored 24 points for Quail

There must be a corner of heaven reserved for the cotton farmers of Collingsworth County. There is absolutely no way that hell could withstand the overflow of goodness from the hearts of all you people who helped in any way with the gathering of Earl's crop. Thank you so very much.

The Earl Bowen Family



GAS LINE BREAK

These pictures were made by County Judge Zook Thomas at the time a county maintainer hit and broke a Lone Star Gas pipeline which was near the surface across a county road on June 12. At top, gas has been shut off, but residue is being burned out of the line as company employees prepare to make repairs. A related story is on Page 1. Below is the bar ditch which was being cleaned at the time of the accident.

Museum Names 1979 Officers

Clyde Drake was re-elected president of the Collingsworth County Historical Museum in its annual meeting Sunday, December 17.

Named to serve with him were Dr. W.P. Estes, vice president, while Mrs. Russell Yates was re-elected secretary and Mrs. H.L. Jenkins treasurer.

Billy Moseley is the new finance chairman and will head the membership drive to be held early in 1979.

Elected to the board for two-year terms were Mrs. Tom Birchfield, Miss Virginia Robey and Dan Henard. Holdover directors are Dee

Coleman, Mrs. John Holton, and Mrs. L.C. Hill.

Recent acquisitions by the museum were discussed by Mrs. Clyde Drake, administrator. These include a 10-volume set of agricultural books, given by Kenneth Draper; the cotton knife used by the late E.M. Hix when he was public weigher in the early 1900's, and photographs of the cotton yard of that period, by Mrs. Tom Draper of Hereford, the former Argen Hix; a weighers scale by Wilbur DePauw.

Most of the museum's income this year has been derived from memorial dona-

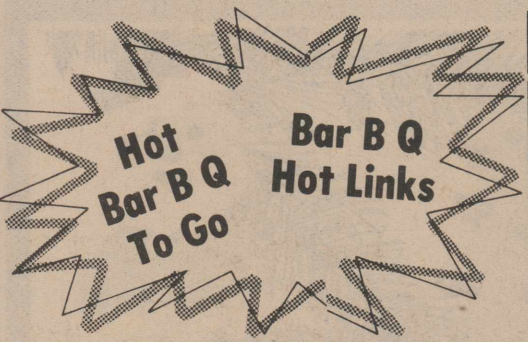
tions. During the 12 months, now glass doors with locks were installed on the cabinets. Lynn Carter donated his work. A new exhibit case was built with Sam Thompson donating his labor.

Members of the 1954 Study Club continue to serve as docents.

During the year, also, a new air conditioner was installed and skylights were covered.

Special exhibits were the booth at Collingsworth County Fair, an exhibit of table settings for the 1924 Study Club Parade of Homes, and the current Doll and antique toy exhibit.

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Mr., Mrs. J.F. Isaacs Honored With Golden Wedding Reception

A reception was held Sunday, December 17, to honor Mr. and Mrs. J.F. Isaacs, 1211 Haskell Street.

Here to celebrate the 50th anniversary of their wedding were their children, all but two of the grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

Their seven children were hosts, Mrs. C.O. Mullins of Plainview, James Isaacs of Ft. Worth, Mrs. Jerry Austin in Plainview, Hanes Isaacs of Burbank, Calif., David Isaacs of Houston, and Harvey Isaacs of Boise City, Okla., and Mrs. Eddie Maxwell, Wellington.

Assisting with the gifts were Mrs. Isaacs sister, Mrs. Roy McMullin of McLean and her niece, Mrs. Gerald Tate both of McLean.

Guests were registered by the oldest grandchild, Earl Bouse of Lubbock.

Serving the punch and cake were the granddaughters and two great nieces, Lee Ann and Kara Tate.

Mr. Isaacs celebrated two occasions, as this was also his birthday. A birthday cake was also served at the reception.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaacs were married in Wheeler County January 19, 1929, but the celebration was held during the Christmas holidays so all children could attend. A cousin, Mrs. Zell Cason of Borger, was Mrs. Isaacs maid of honor.

The couple moved to Wellington 30 years ago from Lela, and he is a retired from the Wellington School district.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaacs are



MR. AND MRS. J.F. ISAACS

active members of First Baptist Church, where she still teaches a Sunday School Class.

The family attended church services together Sunday morning before the reception.

They gathered for their Christmas dinner and festivities on Saturday night.

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. James H. Isaacs, Dianna, and Danny, and Mr. and Mrs. James Isaacs, Jr., of Ft. Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Hanes Isaacs, Bryan, Susana, and Tamara of Burbank, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. David Isaacs, Mike and Roger of Baytown; Mr. and Mrs. C.O. Mullins and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Austin and Linda of Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bouse, Robin

and Chad of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Isaacs, Christy and Richard of Boise City, Okla.; Mrs. Lee Cason of Borger; Mr. and Mrs. Roy McMullin; Mrs. Gerald Tate, Lee Ann and Kara of McLean; Mrs. Jo Terry and Mr. and Mrs. H.S. Gray of Shamrock; Mrs. Glenna Harris and Mrs. Sue Arthur of Amarillo;

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Parker and Sharon Lou of Munday; Mrs. Gil Maxwell and Kenny of Childress; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Goldsmith and family, Mrs. Iva Goldsmith, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jackson and Eloise Goldsmith of Lefors; Mrs. Nell Slay and Mrs. Charles Floyd and Suzanne of Bovina and Mr. and Mrs. Ace Crane of Mangum.

Society News

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1924 Study Club Holds Annual Christmas Party

Members and guests of 1924 Study Club met Thursday evening, December 14, for a Yuletide Party. Hostess was the club president, Mrs. Bill Beall.

A large, lighted nativity scene on the front lawn set the mood for these attending. Inside, two fireplaces and traditional decorations enhanced the occasion.

Mrs. Bob McAlister was the guest speaker with an unusual story "The Pageant of Christmas."

Another guest was Miss Virginia Robey, recipient of a special citation from General Federation of Women's Clubs for her continuous interest in programs and projects of GFWC, Texas Federation of Women's Clubs and the local affiliates. Miss Robey is News Editor of The Wellington Leader and a supporter of civic

endeavors both professionally and individually.

Earlier the club members had contributed gifts to be sent to Girlstown, U.S.A.

Because of the club's interest in crime prevention and the urgency of time and subject matter, Mrs. B.M. Sims brought to the attention of the members some proposed legislation regarding Protective Foster Care for Abused and Neglected Children.

On an individual basis, members were asked to write legislators prior to the January session expressing interest in and support for extending the present eligibility to include Non-AFDC Foster Care (49% or approximately 4800 children need such foster care in Texas but are not eligible unless there is a protective foster care contract locally.)

42 Club Has Holiday Dinner

The Saturday Night 42 Club held its annual Christmas party Saturday night, Dec. 9, at the Heritage Room.

A turkey dinner with all the trimmings was served by the hostesses, Mrs. Howard Crowley and Mrs. Harold Keller.

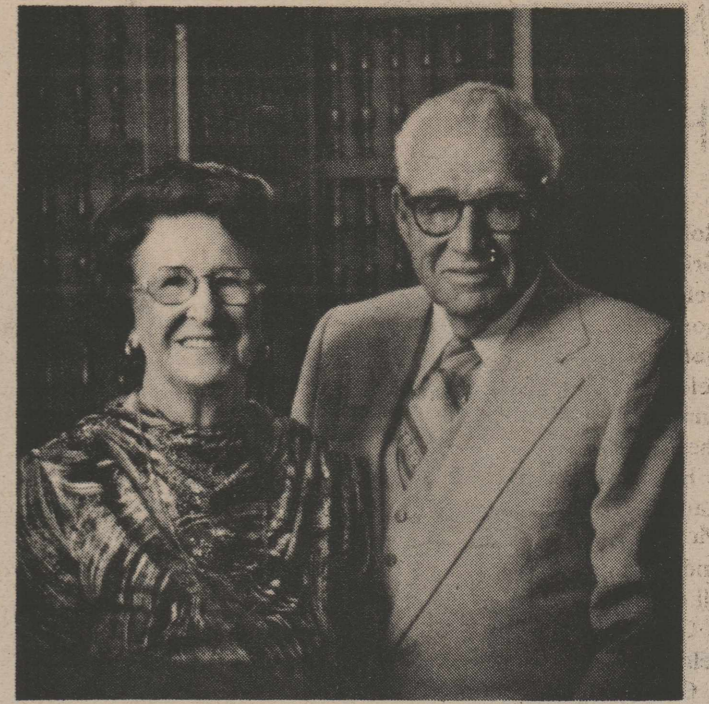
Tables were decorated with Christmas motifs.

Judge Zook Thomas gave the invocation. Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Kelso were welcomed as new members filling the vacancy created when Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur DePauw moved to Amarillo recently.

The birthday song was sung for Harold Keller and Mrs. John Eron Forbis.

Winning high score were Mrs. Kelso and Jim Wood, while low score went to John Eron Forbis and Mrs. Herman Belew.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Woody Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Belew, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Estes, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Forbis, Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Vaughan, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wood, Mr. and Mrs. J.I. Morgan, Judge and Mrs. Zook Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Wade, Mr. and Mrs. Kelso, and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Crosby and Mr. and Mrs. Keller.



MR. AND MRS. L.F. BROWNING

Gainesville Couple Honored On Golden Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. L.F. Browning, 1718 Merrywood Way, Gainesville, celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary with a reception in their home Sunday, November 5.

The hosts were their three sons and four daughters.

Dinner was served Saturday evening, November 4, to honor the couple at the Gainesville Community Center. This also was hosted by the couple's children. Sixty relatives and friends attended.

Lewis Browning and the former Jennie Winegeart were married November 4, 1928, in Wellington. He retired from the Northern Pump Co. in 1974 with more than 30 years service. They have lived in Cook County for 34 years.

In addition to their 7 children, there are 20 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Out of town guests and relatives attending, many of them former Wellington residents, were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Duncan and family of Temple; Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Wenkles and family of McKinney; Mr. and Mrs.

Clifton Browning and family of Marlow, Okla.;

Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Browning and family, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Browning, Phoenix, Arizona; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dishman and family; Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Porter of Albuquerque, N.M.;

Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Johnson, Justin and Jason of Pampa; Mr. and Mrs. George Winegeart of Pampa; Mrs. Drury Lacy of Wellington; Rev. and Mrs. R.L. Porter of Arlington; Mr. and Mrs. M.L. Winegeart and Graham of Sherman; Mrs. Wiley Veal of Antioch, Calif.; and Rev. B.C. Stonecipher of Muleshoe.

Never leave a baby or small child alone in a bathtub or even in the bathroom, warns Carla Shearer, health education specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Babies can easily be scalded if they turn on hot water or drown in very small amounts of water in the tub, the specialist explains.

NTRA Meets For Christmas

Mrs. Dee Coleman was hostess to members of the county chapter, National Retired Teachers Association, for its Christmas meeting Tuesday, December 12. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Bill Hill and Mrs. Ben Ratliff.

A group of first grade children, directed by Mrs. Dick Pendleton, sang Christmas carols, then Mrs. Ratliff told the story, "Where Love Is, There God Is Also," by Leo Tolstoy.

During the business session, members contributed \$2.00 each to the Stillwell Home for Retired Teachers at Waco.

Attending were Mrs. Edna Bradley, Miss Maudie Coffee, John Coleman, Mrs. R.R. Crawley, Mrs. Charley Hill, Mrs. Velma Hiett, Mrs. Bill Hill, Mrs. Ernest Harwell, Mrs. G.L. Jones.

Mrs. Monty Mitchell, Mrs. Jack Lowry, Mrs. Jim Lowe, Mrs. Ratliff, Mrs. L.W. Wells, Mrs. W.L. White, Miss Bonnie Willis, Miss Hattie D. Wells and Mrs. J.D. Coleman.

HOLIDAY CUSTOMS 'ROUND THE WORLD

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

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

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

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

Ways To Put "Christ" Back Into Christmas

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

One charming custom you can initiate in your own family circle is the making of a Jesse Tree during Advent, the four weeks before Christmas. This tree is named after the ancestor of Jesus because of the Old Testament verse: "And in that day there shall be a root

of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek; and his rest shall be glorious." (Isaiah 11:10)

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

Appropriate symbols for your Jesse Tree could be a crown or six-pointed star to represent David, tablets symbolizing the Ten Commandments, an ark to represent Noah.



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Little Folks Bake Cookies For Fun and Happy Hours

Youngsters can spend many creative hours in the kitchen, baking and putting together their very own cookies and Christmas treats.

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Basic Cookies (from a mix). Decide which cookie to make and make up basic dough from package directions. Use ginger-cookie mix if preferred. Roll dough out about 1/8" thick. Cut in desired shapes. Bake as package directs, then decorate with prepared frosting.

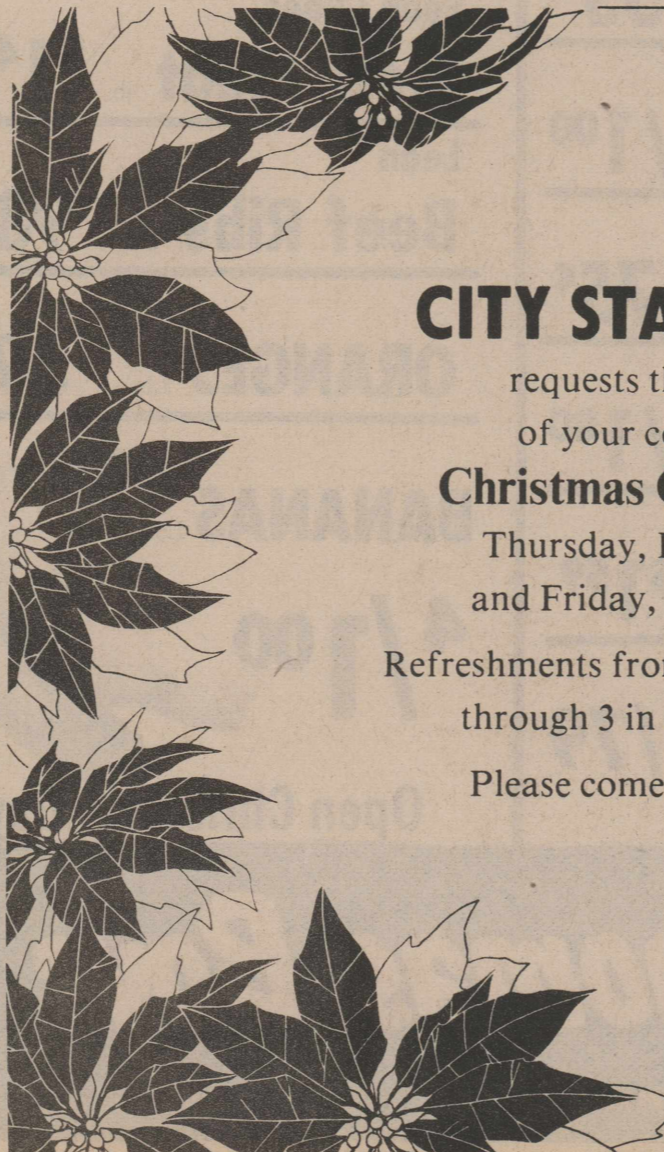
Santa Cookie: From cookie dough mix, cut out tear drop shape about 3" tall. Sprinkle with red sugar. Bake, cool, then decorate. Pointed top of tear drop is Santa's peaked hat. The wide bottom, his body.

Gumdrop Christmas Tree: Cut out triangle for tree, and small rectangle for tree base, from basic cookie dough. Press parts into place on cookie sheet and bake. When cool, add gum drops for ornaments.

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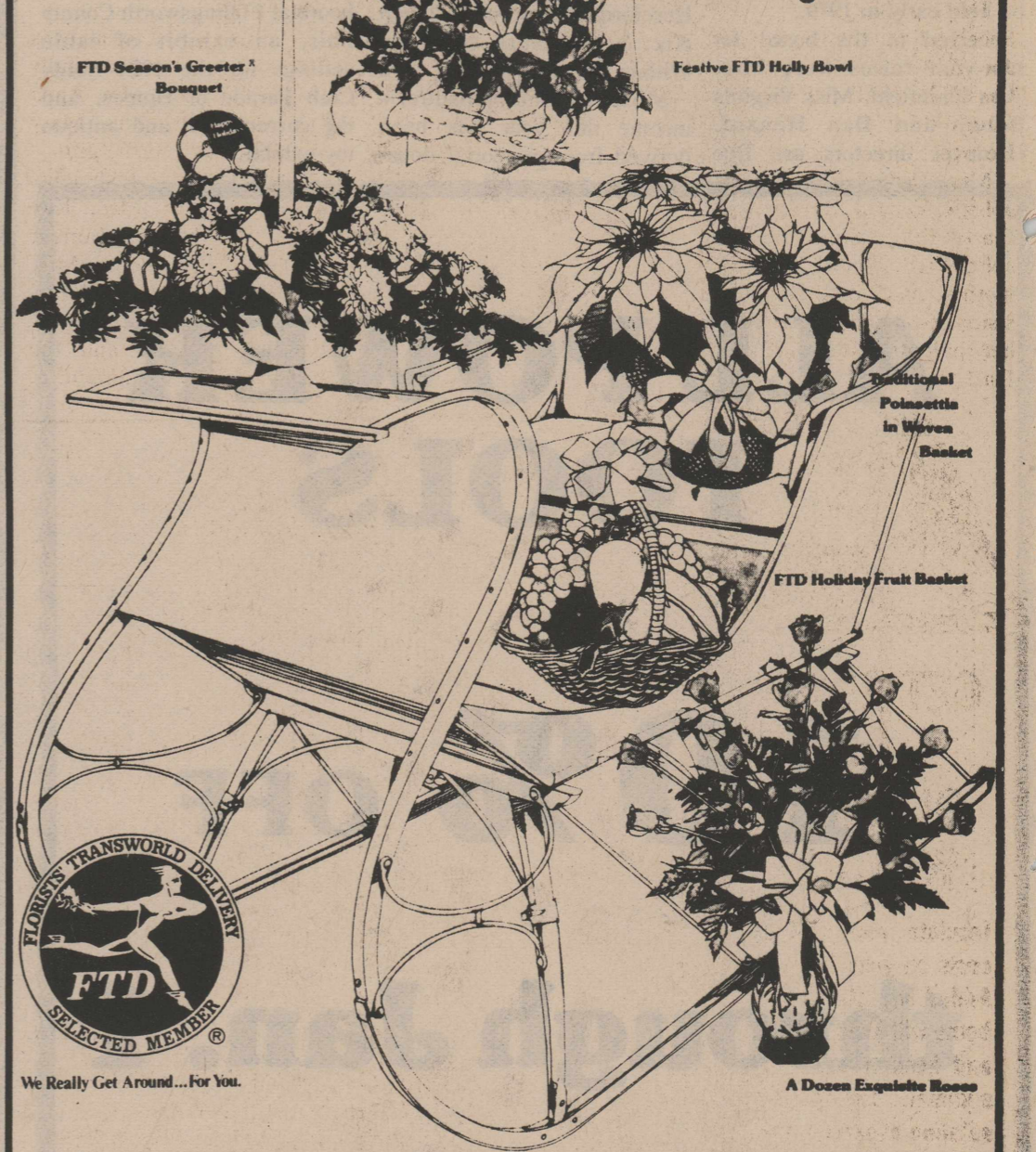
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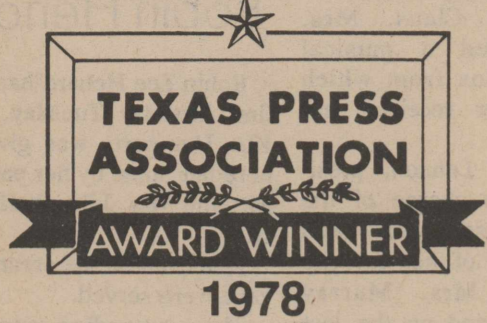
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The Greatest Gift

As we rush toward the end of the Christmas season in a flurry of gift buying, it's good to stop and to remember that the greatest gift one can give is himself—far more valuable than any purchase could ever be.

Today we say "Thank you" to Wellington's volunteer firemen for the gift of their time and effort to the community. Because this Christmas season could have been a lot less bright and happy time for our community had it not been for the volunteer firemen's efforts last Thursday night.

As rivers of fire from a burning gasoline truck ran down Eighth Street and Highway 83 and threatened to spread to other businesses, the volunteers stood their ground in an allegory of good and evil.

It was Wellington's most spectacular blaze in many years, and the volunteers did an admirable job of controlling it.

Few fire departments outside of large airports are well-equipped to fight large gasoline fires, and our fire department's success is even more noteworthy because of the lack of equipment.

The fire department volunteers give many hours each month to protect the property and lives of the community. It's a gift to all of us on which no price can be set.

To each member of Wellington's Volunteer Fire Department, a big "Thank you" this Christmas season for your gift to each of us.

Other Editors Say ...

Flight Into Sunset

Did you ever have the privilege of looking down on the sunset? It is a memorable experience.

It happened to me on a flight from New York to Dallas.

We were flying above a solid cover of clouds, spread like a snowfield below us. As sunset approached the sun went behind the clouds and it grew dark. Then the sun dropped below the clouds and began shining up through openings in lines of red and pink and golden fire.

That alone would be worth the price of the ticket if the airlines could guarantee it. I've never seen anything to compare.

Paul Timmons in The Amarillo News

Farm Wives Need Jobs

Farm wives are victims of a homebody reputation, says a Texas A&M sociologist. Although they represent a third of the nation's potential labor force and many of them want and need jobs, industry ignores them. It thinks they don't want to leave the farm and don't need the money.

Industry is wrong, says Dr. Elizabeth Maret. If given the opportunity, many of these women would choose to supplement the family income by working at off-farm jobs, she concludes from a 2-year study.

Her findings only skim the surface of public misconception about farm people. Still prevailing in the cities is that postcard picture — unfortunately no longer a true picture — of a farmer, his wife and children all pitching in to milk the cows, feed the hogs and chickens, weed the garden and can the vegetables and preserves.

How nice. But, except for rare instances, how false. The truth is that today's modern farm family is as much in need of consumer goods as is a city family. To buy these goods, rural people need as much, perhaps even more, money as do residents of urban areas, says Dr. Maret. Off-the-farm-jobs for farmers' wives would help the household budgets of many of those families.

Some industries have discovered this labor reservoir and have built plants in small Texas towns. But the available labor out there is still great. Providing jobs to these women would help to keep many more young families on farms where they prefer to be — and where they really are needed.

Dallas Morning News



STATE CAPITAL

HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams

TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN—James E. Nugent, a Kerrville attorney and a veteran of 18 years of service as a state representative, was appointed last week to the Texas Railroad Commission.

Gov. Dolph Briscoe, whose home county is in Nugent's district, said Nugent will resign from the legislature and take the new \$45,200-a-year position Jan. 2. Nugent expressed confidence the senate will confirm his appointment.

Nugent said he will seek election in 1980 to the final two years of the term which Jon Newton relinquished when he resigned over two weeks ago.

Newton said he resigned because his wife inherited property on which natural gas is being produced. Newton said he wanted to avoid any appearance of a conflict of interest.

Nugent said he will put his financial holdings in a blind trust, and probably will sell much of his oil-related holdings. Included are stock in Southern Union Gas Co. and Exxon, gas royalty in South Texas that earns \$8 per year and royalty in Gregg County with \$75 to \$100 a month.

"Any of these financial holdings which present any semblance of a conflict of interest will be placed in a blind trust or sold as my lawyers advise me," the 56-year-old Nugent said.

The appointment makes Briscoe the first governor since the commission was formed in 1891 to appoint all three members. Other members are Chairman Mack Wallace and John Poerner.

Courts Speak

Texas Supreme Court held the judiciary cannot force bank examiners to open confidential examination data.

The Court of Criminal

Appeals turned down millionaire Cullen Davis' request for bail on murder-for-hire charges.

A Dallas conviction for cocaine possession case was sent back for retrial because a judge didn't explain circumstantial evidence to the jury.

The Court of Criminal Appeals upheld the capital murder conviction of Jesse Villarreal in the shooting death of a Corpus Christi convenience store employee.

The same court reversed a seven year sentence given a Belton man for burglary of a pickup truck, holding the state didn't prove the truck belonged to the person who complained.

Spending Soars

Campaign spending soared to new heights this year.

Governor-elect Bill Clements apparently set a national record for 1978 with \$7.2 million in outlays, \$4.5 million of which was borrowed.

Attorney General John Hill spent about \$3.3 million in his losing general election and successful Democratic primary races.

Attorney General-elect Mark White spent \$1.5 million, including \$270,000 in loans. Republican candidate for attorney general, Jim Baker, reported spending \$1.44 million, with contributions only about \$40,000 short of the outlay.

AG Opinions

Telephone solicitors for resort developers would be held by courts as subject to licensing under the Real Estate License Act, Attorney General John Hill said in a recent opinion.

In other opinions, Hill concluded:

An internal audit of the University of Texas Humanities Research Center is subject to public disclosure,



COTTON YARD

Farmers haul their bales to the Wellington cotton yard on the east side of town section in this 1906 photograph. Cotton in those days was weighed by an elected public weigher, not at the gin. Marion Hix held the office at the time this photograph was made. Block and tackle to unload the bales is at left, and the public scale is at center.

Photo courtesy Argen Hix Draper Collection, Collingsworth County Museum

except for specific recommendations.

The Department of Community Affairs can spend state funds to help construct a Raymondville sewer lift system serving a farm labor camp.

A recommendation to the governor for an appointment is not excepted per se from public disclosure.

The Texas Department of Community Affairs has authority to administer the Housing Assistance Payments Program established by the Federal Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.

An institution of higher education may not promulgate a rule defining employment on a fulltime basis to mean "employment for one half or more of the standard workload."

A local tax collector is not prohibited from imposing a

requirement that applicants for agricultural use designation of their property furnish relevant portions of federal income tax returns.

New Appointments

Gov. Briscoe appointed Lyndon Olson Jr. of Waco to the State Board of Insurance. Olson, 31, will be chairman.

Briscoe also named Mark S. Ward of Huntsville, Walker County Criminal District attorney, Mrs. Billie Veach of Burnet to the State Rural Medical Education Board and Sidney M. Wieser of Lampasas to the Hospital Licensing Advisory Council.

Short Snorts

The State Department of Highways and Public Transportation opened bids last week on 1,150 miles of pavement surface in seven districts.

State Comptroller Bob

Bullock announced a crack-down on bogus export schemes used to avoid state sales tax payments along the Texas-Mexico border.

Fifty were named to an inaugural committee planning January 16 inauguration ceremonies for Clements and Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby here. Another Austin inaugural committee was also named.

LoVaca Gathering Company asked more leeway from the Railroad Commission to make emergency sales of surplus gas on the interstate market.

Dallas is making a strong effort to get the 1980 Republican National Convention.

Attorney General John Hill announced at a Democratic conference in Memphis he intends to have a leading role in helping President Carter in Texas in

1980.

State Rep. T. H. McDonald of Mesquite, 77, collapsed in his capitol office and died in a hospital emergency room.



LEGAL HOLIDAY

The only religious holiday recognized as a legal holiday throughout the United States is Christmas. Alabama became the first state to declare Christmas a legal holiday, in 1836. By 1890, all other states had done the same.

HOLIDAY PUZZLER

Can you remember the names of all of Santa's reindeer? We've listed them all directly below, upside-down, but first see how you do without peeking!

en, Cupid
Comet, Donner, Blitzen, Vixen, Prancer,
Dasher, Dancer, Fancer,



As old Santa sits down to rest and think it all over after a busy Christmas Eve, we're sitting down to reflect on the year past and on the joy and sadness, the good times and bad, the triumph and disappointment that has filled our lives. And we're thinking of the cooperation we received from so many of you. A weekly newspaper is the result of the effort of many people, not just those on the staff. To everyone who contributed to whatever success we enjoyed this year—our advertisers, subscribers, those who helped with news tips, reporters for civic and church organizations, those who helped identify photographs—to each of you—our sincere thanks and appreciation for helping us do a better job for the community, and our pledge to work even harder next year.

Merry Christmas!

Henry Wells
Virginia Robey
Dela Bee Ford

Nell Wilbur
Patty Kennedy
Ramona Hightower

Lynda Brooks
Jay Jones
Bryan Wilbur

Wellington Leader



A FIELD FULL OF FRIENDS

Friends and neighbors rolled 20 cotton strippers and 40 trailers into the late Earl Bowen's fields Monday, December 18, to harvest his cotton crop in just a few hours. Among those helping with the operation were David Baumgardner, Bob McAlister, Raymond Ward, Bruce Ward, Grady Reed, Carl Wischkaemper, Gary Wischkaemper, Alvin Horton, Lee Walker, Jr., Hug Bowen, Robert Barjenbruch, Wayne Cummings, Tim Cummings, Charles McIntosh, Louis Alfred, Joe Torrestaes, Carthel Lewis, John Sanchez, Jack Colson, Darrell Colson, Billy Colson, Bob Barton, Gus Barton, George Barton, Shelton Nunnelley, Carroll Nunnelley, Mike Hughes, P.J. White, Rodney White, James Masten, Troy Thomason, Leamon Bawcom, Gene Bawcom, Glenn Thomas, Jerol Morris, Dan Henard, Andy Henard, Tommy Lewis and Doug Seale.

Ralph Owens Named A PRPC Director

Ralph Owens, member of the Wellington City Council has been elected to the board of directors of Panhandle Regional Planning Commission for a two year term.

His election came at a meeting of the Planning and Service Area members Thursday evening, December 14. This was held at Clarendon Country Club

Re-elected at the meeting was Councilman O.M. Prigmore of Pampa.

On the PRPC Board they will represent the 6-county Planning and Service Area made up of Briscoe, Collingsworth, Donley, Gray, Hall and Wheeler counties, there are 5 PSA units making up PRPC.

This is the first time in several years Wellington has had a PRPC board member.

Owens is owner of Owens Farm Supply. He was a member of the City Council several years ago and he is presently a member of the Collingsworth Volunteer Ambulance Service.

All PRPC directors are elective city or county officials.

Representing the city at the Clarendon meeting were Mayor Bill Hatch, and council members Tom Wilkins, Lyndon Crelia, and Owens. Going from the county were Judge Zook Thomas, and Commissioners Bill Lowe and John R. Henard, Jr., and Judge-elect Bob Watson.

Templeton Donates Property to Museum

Judge R.L. Templeton has given a 25 foot lot to the Collingsworth County Historical Museum. It adjoins museum property.

Announcement of the gift was made during the annual meeting of the Museum Association Sunday afternoon, December 17, and he delivered the deed to Clyde Drake, Museum president, Tuesday morning.

Judge Templeton has dedicated the gift to the memory of his youngest brother, Pat Neff Templeton, World War II bomber pilot with the Royal Air Force, who was killed in action September 7, 1942.

"I consider it a pleasure to make this gift," said the donor.

Judge Templeton inherited this lot from his parents, the late Judge and Mrs. R.H.

Templeton, who bought it from one of the town's founders, John W. Swearigen, about 1916.

The lot adjoins lots given the Museum by the daughters of Mrs. Julia Muse, another county pioneer, which are north of the property on which the museum is located. This original property is also a gift, having come from R.H. Tyler, now of Olney, at Christmas 5 years ago.

Judge R.L. Templeton considers it a co-incidence that his brother was pilot of an Armstrong-Vickers Wellington bomber. R.L. Templeton was also pilot of a Wellington during his service with the Royal Air Force.

Some say sneezing on Saturday means you'll see your sweetheart on Sunday.

Sanders Named to NAIA Grid Honors

Allen Sanders, a sophomore at Southeastern Oklahoma State University, Durant, was selected for all conference honors as a down defensive lineman in District 9 of NAIA, Coach Phil Bailey has learned.

Bailey says he believes Sanders was the only sophomore selected.

The 19-year-old former Skyrocket was chosen on the basis of overall performance.

Both he and his brother, Richard, are attending Southeastern on football scholarships, and in the team's defensive scheme, they play side by side. They are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sanders who now live in Rockdale.

The District 9 conference is made up of the Oklahoma sister school, Northwestern Oklahoma State University at Alva; Southwestern at Weatherford; Panhandle at Goodwell; Northeastern at Tahlequah; East Central at Ada and Central at Edmund.

Inc., is now a publicly owned corporation and was listed on the New York Stock Exchange for the first time while the Scotts were visiting here.

Don Scotts Here From San Antonio

Mr. and Mrs. Don Scott of San Antonio were here over the week end to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D.E. Scott.

The four also visited the D.E. Scott's daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dyer in Perryton.

Don Scott is vice president of Fox-Stanley Photo Products, Inc., and is in charge of production in all plants, which extend from the Atlantic coast throughout the country to California and the Pacific Northeast.

Fox-Stanley Photo Products, Inc., is now a publicly owned corporation and was listed on the New York Stock Exchange for the first time while the Scotts were visiting here.

OIL & GAS Fire Trucks Vandalized

Assignment of overriding royalty: Texas Trust, Co., trustee, of Bexar County, to A.M. Roseman of Shreveport, La.; Overriding royalty equal to 1/16 of 8/8 oil, gas, and minerals on SW/4 section 126, block 22, 160 acres; S/2 of W/2 section 5, 23; N/2 of W/2 section 5, block 23; NE/4 section 126, block 22; SE/4 section 126, block 22; and NW/4 section 126, block 22. Total 960 acres. These leases were given by William G. Hawkins and wife to Texas Trust, Co., on August 31, 1978.

Mineral deed: Wanda Brinson to Kelly Pigg: NW/4 section 7, block 11.

Mineral deed: Marion Helen Scott of Rusk to James Milam Pettus II of Austin north one-ninth of section 62, block 15; and SE/4 section 81, block 19; and lots 19 and 20, block 27, Wellington.

Oil, gas, and mineral lease: Harry E. Franks of McLean to David Stockstill of Pampa, Mary Ann Gill and Kenneth Gill of Pampa, and Nancy Ruth Stockstill of Denver, to Wheeler Oil Co., NE/4 section 110, block 22.

Assignment of oil and gas lease: Texas Trust Co., trustee, to Rogers Oil Co.; Joseph H. Frost; Louis A. Wood; Main Bank and Trust, trustee for Heather, Kermit and Brian Mavrick; Dr. A.A. Alanis, Robert D. Forte, Dr. Harold N. Cooper, Morris D. Jafee, Falcon Aircraft Conversions, Inc., 6 Jaffe Children's Trust No. 1 and 6 Jaffe Children's Trust No. 2, Dilley Production Co., Texas Atlantic Inc., A. Don Herrman, Ronald J. Herndon, Two Chiodo Children's Trust and Joffco, Ltd: shares in the lease covering SW/4 section 126, block 22, and S/2 of W/2 section 5, block 23; N/2 of S/2 section 5, block 23; NE/4, SE/4 and NW/4 section 126, block 22.

Warranty deed covering oil, gas and mineral lease: Lars Magness Runbeck (Atterberg) of Mexico City to Lawrence Crittenden Byars of Ft. Worth: one-half mineral interest in

Several instances of vandalism of Wellington Fire Department trucks was reported this week by Fire Chief David Peters.

Damage has been light so far, but in case of an emergency before the trucks are given their daily check-up has the potential for disaster.

Chief Peters reported that gasoline has been drained from the new city truck several times. Ignition switches have been turned on letting the batteries run down.

Danny Gray who checks the trucks each day, said that over the week end, the batteries were run down on all fire trucks except the new rural truck.

"I went down Sunday morning and none of them would start except the new rural truck," Gray said.

Valves going to all gauges on one of the pumper trucks were shut off and a wire leading to the shift on the pump transfer was broken.

Gray explained that firemen would have no way of knowing the pressure of the water being pumped, and it could become strong enough to injure a man on the hose or even create a vacuum inside the water line, and damaging it.

Doors are now locked between the fire station and City Hall portions of the Community building, where it

is believed entry was gained, and locked gas tank caps were installed on the trucks, Gray said.

Peters cited the three-vehicle accident and fire which caused an estimated \$100,000 damage Thursday night, Dec. 14.

"If we'd found the trucks with the batteries down, we would have been in a heap of trouble," he said.

Yet the latest vandalism to the fire trucks occurred two days after this, according to Gray, who echoed Peters warning, and added that a delay caused by something like this could cost the life of a person trapped in a burning building or burning car.

SW/4 section 86, block 16.

Mineral Deed: Barbara Ruth Walker, administrator of the estate of Anna W. Klaus, deceased, to Margaret Anne Quaid, undivided one-third interest in oil, gas and minerals under NW/4 of section 52, block 15, and SW/4 section 51, block 15.

Mineral Deed: Barbara Ruth Walker, administrator of the estate of Anna W. Klaus, deceased, to Barbara Ruth Walker; one-third interest in oil, gas and minerals to NW/4 section 52, block 15, and SW/4 section 51, block 15.

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Earl Bowen, Prominent Farmer, Dies

Earl Andy Bowen, 65, a prominent Wellington farmer and resident of the county since childhood, died at his home, 211 9th Street, at 10:40 p.m. Wednesday, December 13, after an illness extending over a number of months.

Committal services were held at 1:00 p.m. Saturday at Memorial Gardens. This was followed by memorial services at First Baptist Church at 1:30 p.m., with the Rev. Stanley Hughes, pastor, officiating at both. Guy Owens Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pall bearers were Ernest Maxwell, Wayne Cummings, Robert Barjenbruch, Oran Starkey, John Holton, Leonard Karnes, Shelton Nunnelly and Ralph Owens.

Mr. Bowen was born at Jacksboro, August 20, 1913, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. S.B. Bowen. He was two years old when the family moved to Collingsworth County, and this remained his home.

He was married to Opal Oneta Gray on May 30, 1930, at Altus, Oklahoma.

He was a member of First Baptist Church.

Surviving Mr. Bowen are his wife, Mrs. Opal Bowen; a son, LaDwain Bowen of El Centro, Calif.; a daughter, Mrs. Elouise Lewis of Lubbock; four brothers, Everett Bowen of Plainview, Von Bowen of Bovina, Hubert H. Bowen and King Bowen of Wellington.

There are three grandchildren, Jeffrey Lewis of Lubbock, and Andrea Bowen and Daryl Bowen of El Centro.

New Cars

Lee Roark, Wellington, Chevrolet two door.

Opal Langley, Wellington, Chevrolet four-door.

Paul G. Renner, Dodge pickup.

James Doneghy, Wellington, Ford pickup.

Randall L. McGill, Wellington, Chevrolet two door.

Bill J. Owens, Wellington, Chevrolet pickup.



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GETTING READY

Everybody's getting ready for Christmas including children at Neva's Kiddie Korner. Gathered around the Christmas tree are, top row left to right, Beki Henard, Ginger Ticer, De'Nea Keller, Don Sanderson, Tye Ticer, Brenda Forrester, Lyndy Forrester and Marla Keller. Front left to right Jennifer Pendergraft, Holly Hudson, Cody Martin, Shannon White, David Noakes, Dusty Holland, Jeromy Cole, Brian Barton, Kent Hudson, Brandi Barnett, Marty Manuel, Chris Hopper, Michelle Oney and Diana Lindsey.

Elmos F. Hale Dies in Nevada

A former Collingsworth County man, Elmos Franklin Hale, 68, 3024 Janesen Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada, died in that city at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, December 14.

He was a brother of Edgar S. Hale, Jr., of Wellington.

Hale was a retired operator engineer of the Las Vegas Missile sites, and presently he worked as a car salesman.

Born at Waxahachie Jan. 20, 1910, he was the son of the late Edgar Selmer Hale, Sr., and Claudia Belle Hale.

He graduated from Williams High School at Quannah in the early 1930's and was married to Jill Trospen September 11, 1932. The family lived in the Lutie and Aberdeen area from 1947 to 1957 when they went to Odessa.

Mr. Hale was member of the Engineers Union and active in North Side Church of Christ, Las Vegas.

Funeral services were conducted at Palms Mortuary Monday, December 18, and burial was in a Las Vegas Cemetery.

Survivors are his wife and one son, Bill Frank Hale of Las Vegas, and four grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. E.S. Hale Jr., and other members of the family attended from here.

Study Begun of Electricity Usage

West Texas Utilities Co. within the next few weeks will install special meters and recorders for about 350 customers as it initiates a comprehensive study of electric usage patterns in its service area.

The 350 customers comprise a random sample chosen by computer from throughout the WTU system. Only residential and small commercial customers are included.

"These are the two classes of customers we know very little about, so far as their electric demand habits are concerned," said Darwin Breeding, manager of WTU's Rate and Regulations Department.

Breeding emphasized that the information provided by the special recording devices will have no effect on the individual customer's electric bill, but will provide valuable information about the entire system which eventually could benefit all customers.

"This data will improve our decision making," he said, "especially in rate structuring, marketing, engineering analysis, and corporate and systems planning."

Probably the most important use of the research results will be in electric load analysis for future rate structuring. Breeding said President Carter's new Energy Act had made it "absolutely mandatory" that utility companies take the initiative to form load research programs that will provide accurate data for future rate issues as well as information to be utilized in the regulatory process. However, WTU's plans were underway before the Energy Act was passed.

State regulatory bodies, including the Public Utility Commission of Texas, also are requiring load research data from electric companies.

The first step in WTU's program will be to make personal contact with each of the 350 customers and to have them fill out questionnaires.

The special equipment then will be installed at the site of the old meter, and the information recorded by magnetic tapes will provide specific details on electric demand by each customer.

"With the information from the questionnaires and the accurate load data from the tapes, we'll have a better knowledge of our customers' electric use patterns," Breeding said. "It's possible that we can use this information to improve the utilization of our generation and transmission facilities, and this could be beneficial to all customers."

Air Force Promotes Mary L. Deberry

The U.S. Air Force has promoted Mary L. Deberry, daughter of Mrs. Mary D. Booth of 301 Galveston, Wellington, Tex., to the rank of airman first class.

Airman Deberry is serving at Kirtland AFB, N.M., as a medical specialist.

The airman, a 1971 graduate of Wellington High School, received her nursing diploma in 1975 from Amarillo College School of Nursing.

She is also survived by her husband; a sister, Debbie Jones Miller and one nephew, all of Stephenville.

Mrs. Dowell was born July 23, 1951 and reared in Wellington. She graduated from high school and attended Clarendon College. The family moved to Stephenville several years ago.

Emmett Davis Dies Dec. 17

A former Wellington man, Emmett E. Davis, 73, of 2215 Hayden, Amarillo, died Sunday, December 17.

Funeral services were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, at Blackburn-Shaw Memorial Chapel A Christian Science reader will officiate. Burial was in Llano Cemetery.

Mr. Davis established D&M Farm Machinery here in 1946 and lived in Wellington several years.

He was born at Alvarado and moved to Amarillo in 1928 from Lockney. He owned and operated Davis Bumper to Bumper Tire Service and Emmett Davis Buick prior to his retirement. He attended Christian Science Church.

Survivors include his wife, Venice; two sons, Jerry Davis of Denver, Colorado and Dale Davis of Garden Groves, Calif.; a step son, Nathan Braziel of Amarillo; 9 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Karen Dowell Dies Dec. 10

Karen Jones Dowell, 27, died at Stephenville on Sunday, December 10. She had been in ill health since being critically injured in a car accident a few years ago.

Mrs. Dowell was the daughter of Leroy Jones and Mrs. Marie Stagg; the granddaughter of Mrs. Effie Jones and the late Barney Jones and of Mr. and Mrs. W.M. Nation, all of Stephenville.

She is also survived by her husband; a sister, Debbie Jones Miller and one nephew, all of Stephenville.

Mrs. Dowell was born July 23, 1951 and reared in Wellington. She graduated from high school and attended Clarendon College. The family moved to Stephenville several years ago.

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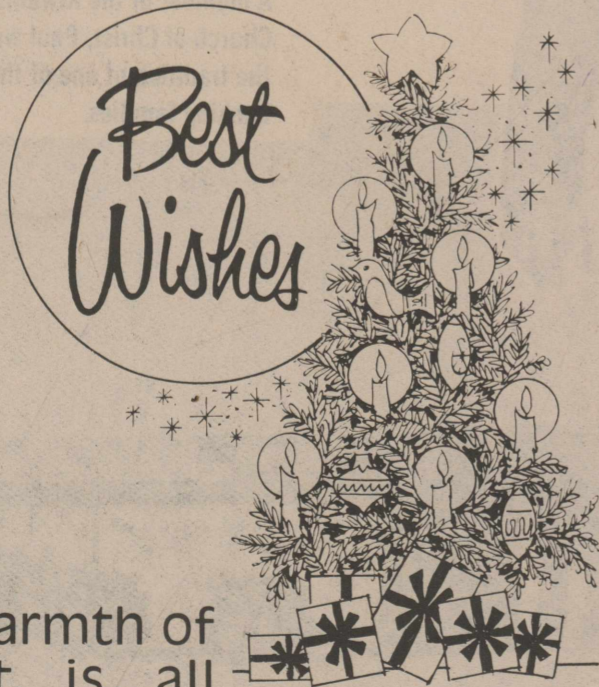
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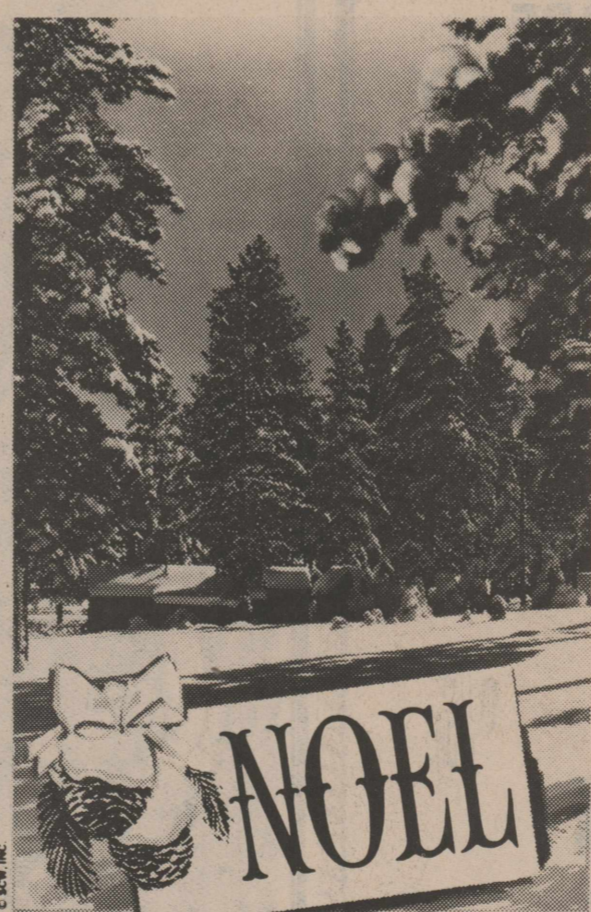


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Hospital Notes

Visiting Hours: 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.; 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Dorothy Foster, medical, was admitted Dec. 13.

Alma Francis was a medical patient from Dec. 13 to Dec. 15.

Joel Rainey, medical, was admitted Dec. 13 and dismissed Dec. 16.

Harry Gilbert, medical, was hospitalized Dec. 14.

Bill Goodenough, medical, was a patient Dec. 14.

Carl Shumate, medical, has been a patient since Dec. 14.

Luther Sullivan, medical, was admitted Dec. 15.

David Baumgardner, medical, was hospitalized Dec. 15.

Mrs. Horace Powell, medical, was a patient from Dec. 16 to Dec. 18.

Mrs. Pearl Harwell, medical, was admitted Dec. 16.

Debbie Chisum, medical, was hospitalized Dec. 16.

Frances Hernandez, medical, was a patient Dec. 17.

Mrs. Joe Rountree, medical, was admitted Dec. 18.

Patients admitted earlier and dismissed since Dec. 13: Justin Jones, Dec. 13.

Mrs. Lillie Green, Dec. 13.

Tanya Coker, Dec. 14.

Sandown Smith, Dec. 15.

Herman Childress, Dec. 15.

Mrs. Vera Tow, Dec. 15.

Irene Jones, Dec. 17.

Emil Kersten, Dec. 17.

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FIRST TIME
It's ten-month-old Lynsi Lacy's first Christmas and it looks like it's going to be fun around the tree at her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Lacy's house. She's already discovered that those bows will come off the packages without too much effort. The bows seem to taste good, too.

This Holiday May Be Deadliest in Years

AUSTIN--The director of the Texas Department of Public Safety today warned that the upcoming Christmas and New Year holiday periods could be the deadliest in recent years. Colonel Wilson E. Speir said that while traffic deaths statewide have been running about eight percent over last year, death counts for the 1978 July 4th and Labor Day

holiday weekends ran 40 to 45 percent over 1977. Based on these trends, Speir estimated that 44 persons will die in Texas traffic during the Christmas weekend from 6 p.m. Friday, December 22, through midnight Monday, December 25. He said another 35 deaths are likely in the New Year period from 6 p.m. Friday, December

29, through midnight Monday, January 1. At the end of preliminary holiday counts last year, 34 deaths were reported in the Christmas period and 30 during the New Year holidays. Speir said all available DPS troopers will be on duty, and they and local officers will be working to keep traffic moving safely. "I have asked our personnel to place special emphasis on removing drunks and reckless drivers from the streets and highways," the DPS director added. "We will continue to work with the news media to keep motorists posted on unusual traffic conditions, and to advise them on where and why serious holiday accidents are occurring," Speir said. He noted that if present trends continue through the end of December, the state's traffic death toll will reach or exceed 4,000 for the first time in history.

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Real Estate Transactions

A.E. Boyett and wife, Juanita to Kenneth Argo: 150 feet by 150 feet tract in the NW/4 section 28, block 21.

Lois Simpson, executor of the estate of Lynn A. Sparlin, to Coleman C. Shepherd, Sr., and wife, Ethel Cleo Shepherd: NE/4, section 38, block 16, and SE/4 section 23, block 16.

Donald T. Shea and wife, Johnnie Lee Shea to Steve Davis: portion of lot 1 add north 25' of lot 2, block 7, Cocke Addition, Wellington.

James M. Ingram and wife, Lonetta, to C.A. Amerson and Coral Amerson: lots 19, 20 and 21, block 123, Wellington.

Barbara Bess Wilkins Payne and husband, Bill Payne, and Alton Cager Wilkins to Jimmie D. Wilkins: lots 1 and 2, block 127, Wellington.

Correction deed: Joe Brooks and wife, Sillon Rhea, to Steve Davis: a tract 288.84' x 250' in the SE/4 of SE/4 section 10, block 11.

Correction deed: Joe Brooks and wife, Sillon Rhea, to Steve Davis: a tract 298.48' x 125' in the SE/4 of SE/4 section 10.

Quit Claim deed: James Pierce and Frances McDonald of Dallas County co-administrators of the estate of Vivian Garrett, to Dottie Horsley of Arlington: an interest in the NE/4 section 106, block 21;

listed in the deed as "being the east 284 acres of section 106, block 21, according to plat records of Collingsworth County, Texas."

James Pierce and Frances McDonald of Dallas County, co-administrators of the estate of Vivian Garrett, to Dottie Horsley of Arlington: SE/4 section 106, block 21.

Steve Davis to Shane E. Tarver and wife, Rancee D.: West 67 1/2 feet of lot 7, block 1, Owens Addition, Wellington.

Quit claim deed: Fannie (Walker) Brothers, Elmer Walker, Billy Beard, Mildred Sullivan, Mark Walker, Sheryl Walker, Jack Walker, Paul Addington, Janie Margaret Gill, Faye Tyler, Betty Jo Shiro and Paul Douglas Paschal, to Ernest O. Sanders and wife, Doris: NE/4 section 10, block 17.

Steve Davis and wife, Mary K. to Perry Dungan and wife, Virginia L.: lots 4, 5, and 6, block 29, Wellington.

Roy Edwin Nelson and wife, Jackie I., to Billy Moseley, trustee: lots 19 and 20, and north 14 inches of lot 18, block 164, Wellington.

Skyrocket Band Will Broadcast

That portion of the Christmas Concert presented by That Skyrocket Band will be broadcast on Station KBGH Radio Sunday, December 24, at 1:00 p.m., according to Jamie Larson, director.

"This will be a good opportunity for those who missed the concert to hear our fine high school musicians," he said.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Karnes were Mrs. Wayne Tutt and Tracey of Carrollton, Mrs. Randy Corbin of Desoto, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Karnes, Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Stafford, Springtown and Mr. and Mrs. Campbell Thomasson, Ft. Worth. Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bumpas were their daughter, Mrs. Jo Ann McKenzie, Guylene and Tony of Roswell, N.M.

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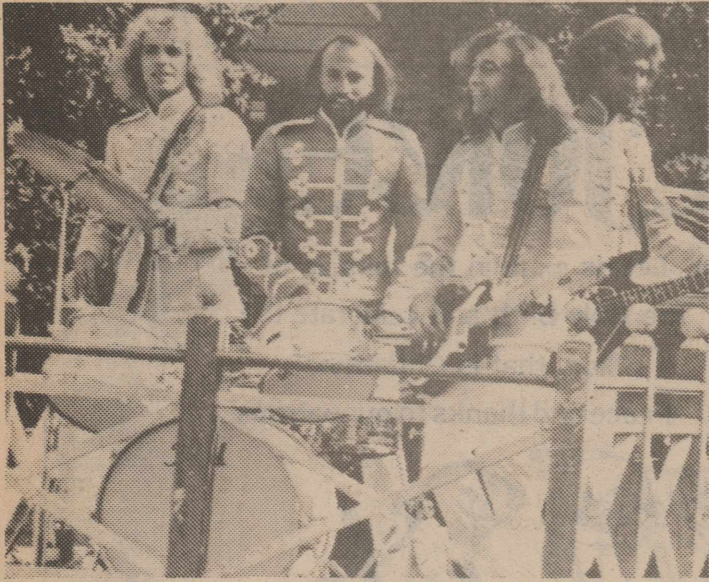
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RITZ FEATURE

The Lonely Hearts Club Band leads (Peter Frampton and the Bee Gees) a joyous parade through the streets of Heartland, in this scene from Universal's "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band, which plays at the Ritz Friday, Saturday and Sunday, December 22, 23 and 24.

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THOMAS NURSING CENTER NEWS

By Ilene Brinkley

First of all we want to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Otis Roberson who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Many relatives and friends called.

Our game winner this week was Mrs. Ura Scott.

Tuesday afternoon Sing Along was with Mrs. Jack Davis.

Wednesday afternoon Bible class was by Rev. Conrad DeFries and other members of the Church of the Living Word.

Thursday evening Mrs. Don Van Pelt brought her Cub Scouts to sing.

Friday evening members of the Church of the Living Word sang carols at 6 o'clock and at 6:30 the Lighthouse Quartet sang.

Sunday morning Bible class was brought to us by David Hall from the Church of Christ.

Sunday afternoon Bible class was by Rev. Henson from the Church of the Nazarene. He was accompanied by other members who did some beautiful singing.

Our visitors were: Visiting Ira Passons were his niece and her husband Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moore from Wheeler, and a friend Cindy Manning, from Clarendon.

Visiting Bill Turner was a sister, Mrs. Marjorie Wolfe from Amarillo.

Visiting Mrs. Josephine Price were Mr. and Mrs.

Eldon Terry from Stephenville.

Visiting Mrs. Bessie Hicks was her son Winston Hicks from Amarillo.

Visiting Mrs. Mattie Maddox was her nephew Bryant Maddox from Amarillo.

Visiting Mrs. Zora Dial was her sister from Hollis, Okla., Mrs. Abbie Hollis.

Visiting Mrs. Ethel Cristy were Leroy Jones and Mrs. Effie Jones from Stephenville, also Mrs. Guy Clement from Pampa.

Visiting Mrs. Johnnie Franz were a sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Tunnell from Turkey.

Mrs. Martha Reeves' son Clifford Reeves from Amarillo came and took her to Wheeler to visit with another son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Reeves.

Visiting Mrs. Grace Johnson were her grandson and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Johnson from Amarillo.

Visiting Mrs. Sally Lancaster were a son Clyde Lancaster and a son-in-law I.N. Sears both of Amarillo.

Visiting Mrs. Emma Jones were her son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Jones from Hollis, Okla.

Visiting Earl Brown was his wife Mrs. Madie Brown from Childress.

Visiting Carl Phillips were his daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Deward Herndon from Dumas, Tex.

Visiting Mrs. Etta Young was her daughter from Woodward, Okla., Mrs. J.R. Mitchell.

Visiting Walter Gentry were his wife's sisters Mrs. I.W. Tenney, Mrs. Virgie Atkinson and Miss Opal Boyles all of Pampa.

Visiting Mrs. Ruby Tenison was Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Gray from Shamrock.

Visiting Mrs. Ola Clement were a nephew and his wife Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kutch from Rule.

Visiting Mrs. Gusta Harris was her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Harris from Dallas.

Visiting Mrs. A.Y. Bell were her daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Newton Crain from Canyon, Tex.

Visiting Mrs. Recie DuBose was her two sisters and their husbands, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Melton from Borger and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Brisbin from Amarillo.

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Card of Thanks

To the Kelso Funeral Home and our many other friends, we wish to express our thanks and appreciation for their prayers, flowers, food and many other kindnesses at the death of our mother, Osie Handley.

Mr. and Mrs. James J. Henry, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Handley

To all the people who gave of themselves, their time, and their love at a time when it was so desperately needed, we would like to express our feelings of gratitude. To say "Thank You" seems such an inadequate way of expressing a feeling that cannot be put into words, but those thanks, appreciation, and love go to all of you.

The Family of Earl Bowen

I want to thank all the people in Wellington for the telegrams, cards, letters, and good wishes during our play off games, it's good to know you have such good friends behind you. We thank all of you.

Jackie Needham & coaching staff of Stratford

Templeton In Tennis Program

Lee Templeton will begin working out with the West Texas State University tennis team next semester and is due to try for a place on the 1979-80 tennis team.

He was invited to participate by Tennis Coach Tood Reed.

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ORDER AND NOTICE SETTING HEARING THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF COLLINGSWORTH

WHEREAS, in Cause No. 5024 in the District Court of Collingsworth County, Texas, styled "EX PARTE, COLLINGSWORTH COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT," said Collingsworth County Hospital District has initiated and filed such action as a proceeding in rem in accordance with the provisions of Article 717m, V.A.T.C.S., as a class action against the taxpayers, property owners, electors, and citizens of Collingsworth County Hospital District, Collingsworth County, Texas, including non-residents owning property or subject to taxation therein and electors thereof irrespective of whether they own taxable property subject to taxation therein and all other persons interested in or affected by the issuance of tax bonds in the principal amount of \$150,000.00 by said District, or the provision made for the payment thereof—as more particularly described in the Petition of the said Hospital District on file in the District Court of Collingsworth County, Texas, wherein Collingsworth County Hospital District, among other things, prayed the Court for a Declaratory Judgment as to its authority as "issuer" to issue bonds and as to the legality and validity of all proceedings taken and/or proposed to be taken in connection therewith, and as to the legality of the provisions made for the payment of such indebtedness.

NOW THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO:

All property owners, taxpayers, citizens and others having or claiming any right, title or interest in any property or funds to be affected in any way by the issuance of the Securities or affected in any way thereby, and the Attorney General of the State of Texas are commanded to appear at or before 10 o'clock A.M., on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of this order, and show cause why the prayers of the Petition of the said Collingsworth County Hospital District should not be granted and the proceedings and the bonds aforementioned validated and confirmed as therein prayed.

The Clerk of this Court is hereby ordered to cause a copy of this order to be published once in each of four consecutive calendar weeks in a newspaper published in and of general circulation in Collingsworth County, Texas, such publication in the first calendar week in said County to be not less than twenty-eight (28) days prior to the date set for hearing.

SIGNED AND ENTERED THIS 18th day of December, 1978.
Robert E. Montgomery
Judge of the 100th Judicial District Court of Collingsworth County, Texas 22-4c

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Bids will be opened at 1:00 p.m., Dec. 28, 1978 in the County Superintendent's office. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. These items may be seen in the Co. Supt.'s office any time. Z.J. Neeley, President Coll. Co. Board of Trustees 22-1c

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AWAITING CHRISTMAS

The children of Dr. and Reynaldo Perez, already caught up in the magic of Christmas, eagerly await that day and all the joy it brings. From left they are Freinde, Jun Jun, Roderick, and Reggie.

Philippine Christmas Looks to Religious Rites, Family Pleasure

Because the people of the Philippines are 85 percent Catholic, the observance of Christmas centers around the church and many attend its services not once, but a number of times during the period that begins in mid-December and continues until the Epiphany, January 6.

It is an intensely family time, with much visiting among relatives and friends. Dr. and Mrs. Reynaldo Perez have recalled a few of these observances as they prepare for a Wellington Christmas with their children, Freinde, who is 10, Reggie 8, Roderick, 7 and Jun Jun, four. Observance in the church begins December 16, and on the following 9 days, the people attend the Misa de Gallo-Mass of the Rooster, says Dr. Perez. And the name has meaning when you consider that it is held each morning at 4:30 or 5:00 o'clock, the time the rooster crows.

Most people walk to church if they are near enough. Teenagers and sweethearts especially like this mass, for they can go together unchaperoned. Parents approve, for they are usually at church, too.

Small food stands are set up along the way, and the people

stop for a leisurely cup of hot coffee and cookies or other delicacies.

On Christmas eve, the people return to their church for the Midnight Mass, observed by Catholics throughout the world.

Back at home, the family celebration begins. Gifts are exchanged. Houses are lighted throughout and food has been prepared for friends and relatives who are invited in for visiting, say Dr. and Mrs. Perez.

In the smaller towns, people find a welcome in whatever homes they wish to visit, without invitation.

"You can really feel the spirit of Christmas," says Dr. Perez.

It is 5:00 or 6:00 o'clock in the morning before the family gets to bed, and Dr. Perez says this accounts for Christmas Day being spent quietly.

Christmas trees are traditional too, but they remain in place much longer than in the United States, until the Day of the Three Kings January 6, observing the visit of the Three Kings or Wise Men to the Christ Child.

Celebration continues through New Years, but this holiday is more like July 4.

Firecrackers are exploded and sirens sound. Empty cans are tied onto the backs of cars as noisemakers. There is a tradition of recent years that if

one has an engine of any sort, it should be started and run on New Year's Eve. That will insure that it will run better all year.

Not turkey, but roasted pig is the traditional food at Christmas and New Years, and served with it are a variety of rice cakes.

Samnorwood Texas
December 17, 1978

Greetings

After twenty years as a hired hand of Collingsworth County taxpayers, I still believe I live in the best community, best county, best state and the nation in the world. I would like to say thank you to everyone but especially to late Judge Bishop, Alfred Knoll, Jack Brewer, Pat O'Hair, Woody Wood, Clyde Emmert, Orville Vaughan, Cliff Hartman, Melvin Seale, Bill Lowe and John Robert Henard. These need a hand of praise for their part in putting Collingsworth finances on a sound financial basis and bringing progress to our county. I left Judge Thomas off the list purposely, for he has been the hardest working and most dedicated for progress for Collingsworth County of any person that I have ever known. I have disagreed at times with Judge Thomas, but want to say again, thank you Zook for your service to our county.

Much progress has been made in the last twenty years through cooperation with the City and the Texas Highway Department, which is a great outfit to work with.

We have built many miles of improved road, secured good road equipment, improvements to the courthouse and jail and most of all money for our bills when they come due. Our county park is a great asset to our county.

More roads need to be paved, the park needs to be enlarged and improved, and this will come about with cooperation between the city and Highway Department. All road hands, elected officials and employees have helped make my twenty years enjoyable. Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy New Years. To the new court my best wishes for success, and always remember that you are employees of the taxpayer, and cooperation will bring progress, and don't do it if you don't have the money. Come to see Etta and myself and bring your fishing pole or dominoes. My twenty years have made my life grand, and if I can ever be of any service call on me.

Retired gypsy
Buck & Etta Breeding
Box 742
Samnorwood, Texas

Bobby Myers in JC Who's Who

Bobby Leon Myers of Abra has been named to the 1978-79 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges.

A campus leader at Clarendon College, he is a sophomore and a graduate of Samnorwood High School. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Leon Myers.

The 15 CJC students were selected on the basis of academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and future potential.

Nancy Garza Graduates

An official at Sheppard AFB, Tex., has announced the graduation of Airman Nancy R. Garza from the U.S. Air Force's medical service specialist course conducted by the Air Training Command.

Airman Garza, daughter of Mrs. Eva Pena of 411 A. Austin, Shamrock, is now trained to assist in the care and treatment of patients, and will serve at Luke AFB, Ariz.

Completion of the course earned the individual credits towards an associate in applied science degree through the Community

College of the Air Force. The airman is a 1978 graduate of Shamrock High School.

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(Earlier this year, Mr. and Mrs. Adolf Schmidt and their sons, Britt and Frederic moved to Wellington after living for several years in his home city of Emden, Ostfriesland, Germany. Mrs. Schmidt, the former Frances Hill, was asked to tell some of the customs and traditions that were part of their Christmas in Emden)

--By Frances Schmidt--

In certain aspects, Christmas in Germany resembles what we experience here in Wellington at this time of year.

The department stores begin their seasonal advertising campaigns urging shoppers to buy already in November. Downtown is bright with festive lights,

animated Christmas scenes adorn display windows, mothers are checking their lists to be sure they've satisfied every wish.

And as that special day draws closer, housewives there also have that little frantic feeling wondering if they can possibly complete their preparations.

The German husband questions his wife's frustration as he nonchalantly runs out to buy a bottle of perfume for her on Christmas Eve, just as his American counterpart does.

These similarities end, though, as you enter the homes and follow the families through their celebrations and traditions. Everything is family-oriented.

Beginning on the first Advent Sunday, each home has its own Advent Wreath

with four candles. It is lit every evening as the family sits together.

The children have their chocolate-filled Advent Calendar to open each day.

And why are children in Ostfriesland, Germany so excited on December 5th? This is a custom common to only the northwestern area of Germany, since it is actually borrowed from the neighboring country, Holland.

Nikolaass dresses in a long red velvet robe, with head-dress and carrying a staff, similar to the Pope's.

Accompanying Nikolaass is "Black Pete," a Negro boy who has a bag full of switches to give to naughty children. After Nikolaass disembarks, he mounts a white horse and rides off as the children cheer. They cheer because they know he'll leave candy (or a switch) in their boots that night as he rides through the town. Most children not only put out their boots, but a bite of cabbage for that hungry horse as well.

The first week of December, housewives begin baking "Weinachtstollen," a Christmas yeast bread which needs four weeks to ripen. They continue baking Christmas cookies, such as "Lebkuchen," "Spitzbuben," "Springerle," in mass production throughout the month.

Families go together to Christmas parties in the sports clubs--swim, tennis, rowing or sailing clubs. These parties take place in candle-lit rooms as everyone joins in singing carols, waiting for the "Weihnachtsmann" (Santa Claus).

After the "ho-ho's" in, each child recites a poem, sings, or plays an instrument for him, before receiving a candy package.

The Christmas tree is not put up until Christmas Eve! No gifts are visible until that evening. In the morning, the living room is off-limits to children. There is much bustling and hustling going on



A FIRST CHRISTMAS IN WELLINGTON

Britt Schmidt, standing, and his brother, Frederic, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Adolf Schmidt, observed other Christmases at their family's home in Emden, Germany. This year they are at home in Wellington, and here they are shown beside their decorated tree.

inside as the parents bring in the tree and decorate it behind closed doors. The children eagerly await the festivities.

Many families go to church early on Christmas Eve. When they return home, probably around 6:00 p.m., the doors to this mysterious

room are opened. All artificial lighting is off, and the children focus on the Christmas tree which is lit with real candles burning on each branch.

Does this sound dangerous? Beside the tree is a big pail of water in case of emergency! The Castle Lutetsburg, located

near where we lived, burned down one Christmas. There had been a Christmas tree in each window, each lit with candles. One caught on fire and soon the castle was in ashes.

Each family brings his gifts to others into the room Christmas Eve. The family first sits together, sings carols accompanied by piano or accordion.

The children each perform by reciting or singing. Finally gifts are exchanged. Suddenly "Weihnachtsmann" bursts into the room laden with toys for the children. Young folks receive all their surprises that evening. When the excitement begins to die down, the family adjourns to the dining room to feast on carp (fish) or meat pastries.

Since Christmas Eve is spent with the immediate family, Christmas Day is often shared with other relatives. There is a big dinner, the main course being turkey, goose, or wild game such as hare, venison or razorback.

Actually there are two Christmas days, the 25th and the 26th. All shops are closed from the afternoon of December 24th til December 27th.

This is a summary of Christmas as we experienced it in Emden, Ostfriesland. Germans from other areas would have different tales to tell. A Bavarian would surely mention the "Christkind," a native of Lubeck would dwell on Marzipan candy, and from Harz a person would praise the carved wooden decorations.

In many countries, Christmas celebrating continues until January 6th, which is known as Twelfth Night, the feast of the Epiphany or Three Kings' Day.

Because this is traditionally the day that the Wise Men presented their gifts to the Christ Child, many countries exchange their gifts at this time.



Photo by Kelly Foss

DAVID DUNCAN

Five-Year-Old Wins Bicycle Motorcross

David Duncan, five year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Duncan of Amarillo, recently won first place at the Grand Nationals Bicycle Motorcross Race in Las Vegas, Nevada.

David has raced in 24 races throughout Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Nevada, winning 19 first places, three seconds and one fourth.

He also holds the New Mexico Championship in this

division. A member of the Amarillo RWR Track Team, he will compete in his next national event at the American Bicycle Association's Winter Nationals at Phoenix, Arizona in February.

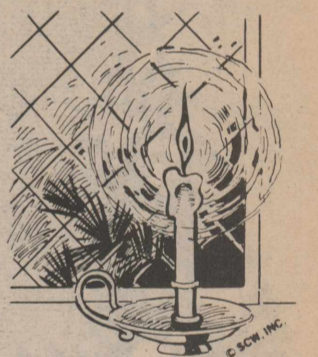
David is a frequent visitor in Wellington and his grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Wood and Mr. and Mrs. B.C. Duncan of Shamrock, formerly of Wellington.

The Legends Of Christmas

Christmas brings to all a sense of wonder and admiration. These feelings are kept alive through the beautiful legends explaining many holiday traditions.

The story of the poinsettia takes place in Mexico in a little town where the custom was to offer Christmas Eve gifts to the Christ Child. A poor young boy, too shy to go to church without a gift, knelt outside the church window and began to pray. When he rose to his feet, he noticed a beautiful red flower growing in the spot where he had knelt. Suddenly, he realized the lovely blossom was a gift from heaven to answer his prayers! Quickly, he took the flower inside the church and laid it before the altar. To this day, the poinsettia is known in Mexico as the "Flower of the Holy Night."

Another Christmas legend explains the robin's



red breast. It is said that the robin pulled a thorn from Christ's crown in an attempt to relieve some of the pain of the crucifixion. In doing so, a drop of blood fell on the robin's chest, and remained there forever.

Dutch children fill wooden shoes with food and water for St. Nicholas and his horses. On Christmas morning, good children find that Nicholas has filled the shoes with small toys and candy. Bad children find them stuffed with sticks, however.

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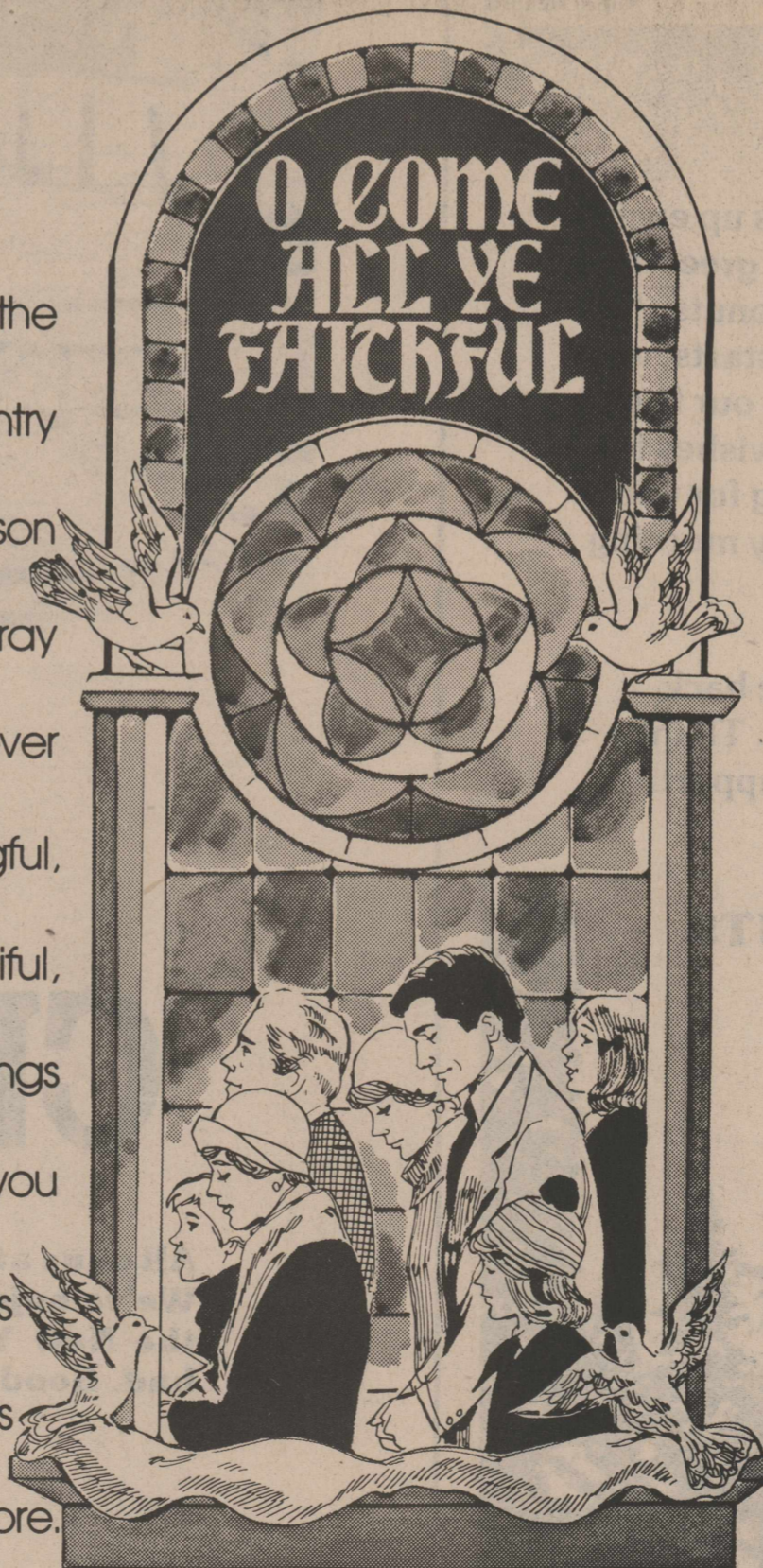
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I am a little girl 3 years and 7 months old. I would like you to meet my new little brother Christopher Bryan who was born in March.

Dear Santa, please remember all the little boys and girls who do not have mothers and daddies to care for them. Don't forget my grown-up friends Kenneth and Ruth Mansur who will be leaving Amarillo soon.

Gary Michael and Ann-janette have been good this year. Don't forget them. And my cousins, J.C. and Dallas Diane Cousins, who live in Lamar, Colorado. Especially remember Misty and Robert Craig here in Amarillo.

If you have any toys left, please bring Chris and Paddington Bear Book, Tonka Truck, a mini-wheels, and a gun and a bear. I would like to have a pedal car, a Baby-This and That, a doll stroller, and Tobar.

We will be with Papa and Nana Powell on Christmas Eve and with Papa and Memaw Hubbard on Christmas Day.

Please come early,
 Love,
 Jennifer Leah and
 Christopher Powell

to be good but the tree is so tempting. I would like to have a new baby doll and clothes for her, a stove and a Little Wheel. Santa, don't forget my friends and my cousins in Wellington. Also my Grandma PaPa's and Nana.

Love,
 Landi Fulcher
 Arlington, Texas

Dear Santa, I'm in the 2 Grade I wot a radio and a bicyc and christmas is the Best holiday of the year. to Sonta, from Mark Watts

Dear Santa
 I have been a good Girl
 I wan't a oven For
 Christmas and Mr. moth.
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 Christmas. From Latrice
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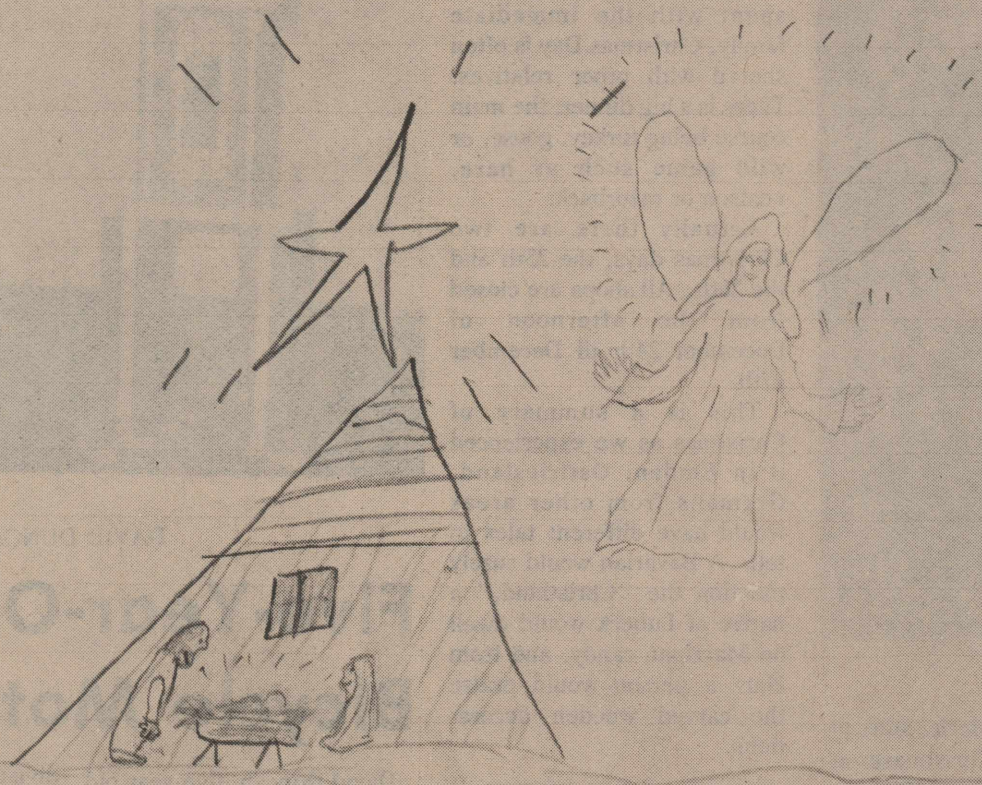
Dear Santa I want a bicycle and the Caterpillar trucks. GodZilla Game I'm Santas helper in the play we haveing. Im in 2 Gade. Love Davy Mithlo.

Dear Santa
 I want a bickbandit
 I want a gun
 and a truck and a roada grader
 and I 8 at stecharmstrong
 Tim Clark

Wellington Elementary
 4th grade

Dear Santa,
 I would like Girder and panel building set, and I would like a Pay day game. I think i've been pretty good. But I have made some people mad, but so what! Remember every body Santa.

Mesley Reeves



Dear Santa,
 I am a good boy and 2 years old. My brother, Michael, has helped me write my letter to you. I would like a Fischer-Price typewriter and anything else you wish to give me.

Grandma Lacy wants a new robe.
 Love,
 Stephen Simcoe
 Green Brook, NJ

Dear Santa Claus;
 My name is Wendy Dawn Parker, and I am 2 years old. I have tried to be a good girl, but is sure has been hard with all the interesting things.

I would like to have a doll baby bed, a horsey, a doll baby, and a tricycle. Please leave my toys under the Christmas tree, and I will leave you some cookies and coke. If some of the

decorations are missing, I took them.

Please remember all my very favorite people.
 Love,
 Wendy Dawn

Dear Santa,
 I am 6 years old. Please bring me a tobar and a Super Star Troveler and a Max Van.

I'll leave you cookies and milk.
 Love,
 Angell Hendrix

Dear Santa,
 I am a little two year old girl. I love your picture and can say your name. I've tried

Blessings to All

As Christmas bells ring out their message of good cheer, we want to extend our best wishes to all our wonderful patrons. It's been a pleasure to serve you.

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A.L. Cartwright, Mgr.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

All of us at Warrick's say Merry Christmas!
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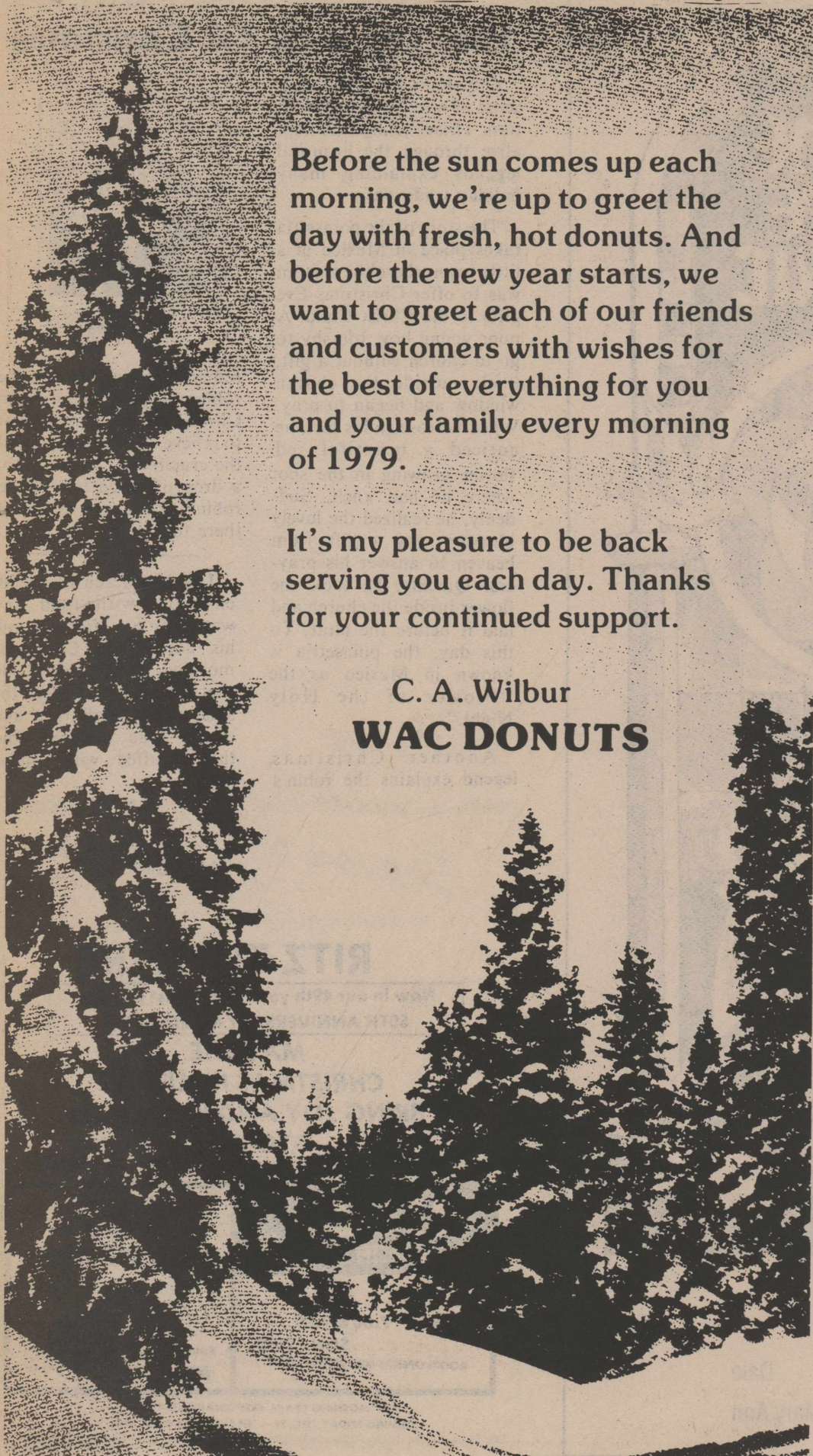
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Santa's Sleigh Full Of Kiddies Favorites

Dear Santa
I want a trampoline in a bike in some games to play with in a dol to in a caculator.

Ann Moore

Dear Santa
I have been helping my mother. I want a life saber and a trampoline and camera. I hope you have a merry merry christmas and a happy new year.

Lori Luck

Dear Santa,
Mary Christmas. And a happy holiday
I've tried to be a good girl. But I thak all the boys and girl happy christmas. But I whot sune rollorskates I like bist of all I like the doll But I what sune rollskates

with love from Elaine Downs

Dear Santa
I want a Huggy Bike and a Max Machine a race truck a jumping horse cowboys and indians a barn hors ranch jet, airplan

Love James McIntosh

Dear Santa
I want a bike. I like to open my presents best of all on Christmas. I've tried to be helpful. Remember all children.

Tony Gonzales



Dear Santa,
I would like to have a baby -a- live. year live tried to be nice There will & cookies. PS ho ho Dephina Ellifritz

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a pair of roller Skates and a trampoline. I hope that was not to much and a camra

Love, Robin Burnam

Dear Santa,
I like a bike for Christmas. I would like for you to have a nice Christmas.

Your Friend, Addy Granados

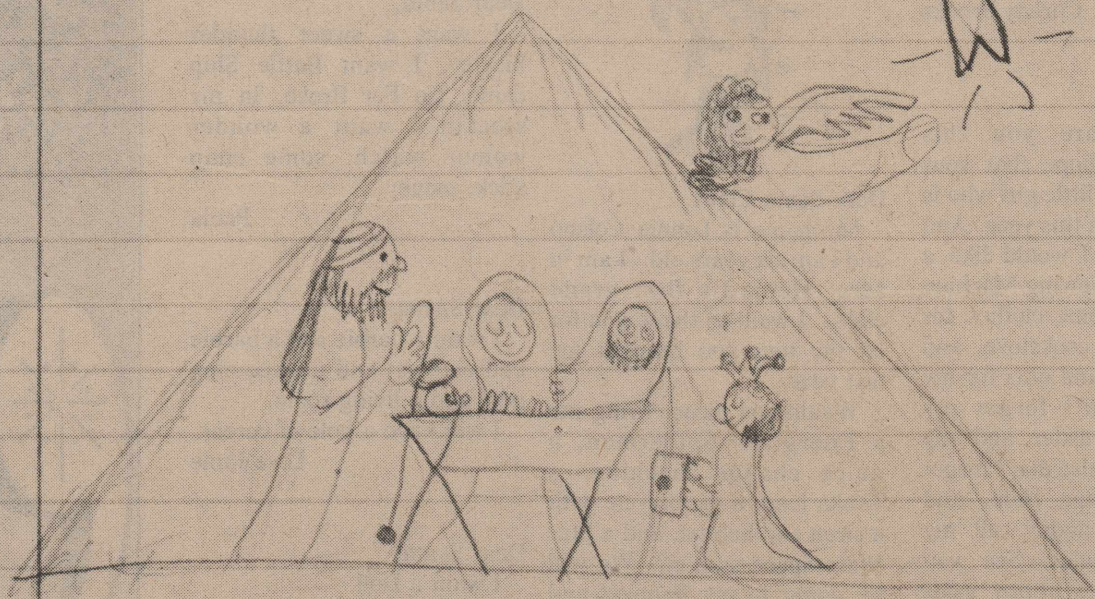


Gholson & Pigg
Virginia Mary Miles Jane

Dear Santa,

I'm all mixed-up, my mom ask me what I wanted for Christmas. I said I wanted a calf. But mom said you don't need a calf. So we had a little fuss about that, then I said, what about a minnie-bike? And she said it cost too much. So Santa bring me what you want to bring me.

Leslie Nemours



Dear Satna Claus,
I am almost three years old, and I can hardly wait for Christmas. I have tried to be a good boy this year.

Please bring me a Stretch Monster, a Firetruck and a Bugs Bunny Toothbrush. Please bring my little sister some nice toys, and don't forget all of the other little boys and girls. My family will be at my Grandma and Grandpa Waters of Christmas morning.

Merry Christmas, Santa!
Love, Christopher Scott Barnett

Dear Santa,
I am Doug and I'm four years old and I want a Big Dump truck and more toys if you can do.

Love Doug Daniel
P.S. we will have coco to warm you Christmas eve.

Dear Santa
I have tried to be kind and helpful. But I have already got 18 licks but they weren't that bad. And for Christmas I want a rock tumbler and a pelet gun even though I am pretty sure that dad wont let you buy me one because he is afraid that I will shoot my self. Well Sante I've got to go.

Your friend, Brian Van Pelt

Dear Santa Claus
I am a little girl in second grabe. Please bring me a Baby alive and a twister game.

Love Carrie Langford

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a baby Rash and operation. I am BaBy Rash and I am operation.

Fran Armstrong

Wellington School
4th grade

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Doyle and Rosetta Burt

Jake's Cycle Shop
Jake and Jane

Here's to the Merriest Christmas ever! We'd like to thank all our friends and clients for helping to make this past year a huge success. We appreciate your coming to us. May your New Year be filled with all the good things in life ... peace, good health, and much, much happiness!

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Dear Santa,

Thank you for the toys last year. I have been a good boy. I would like a doctor kit, a new rifle and some Hot Wheels cars. My brother, Bryan, would like a little car, a bathtub toy, and whatever you want to bring him.

I hope you'll have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Love,
Jason Landry
age 4 1/2

6 years old. I've tried to be good, but it's hard for a 6 year old.

I would like to have a Tie-Fighter, X-Wing Fighter and a Hansolo. I will be in Amarillo at my Aunt's house for Christmas so don't forget me.

Please remember all the other boys and girls too. I will leave you something to eat.

I Love You
Greg Cozad

Dear Santa Claus,

I am only one year old, so my Mommy is writing my letter. Please bring me a little car to ride so that I can play with my big brother. I would also like to have a pretty doll. Please bring my brother lots of new toys and please don't forget Mommy and Daddy. I will be at my Grandma and Grandpa Waters.

Merry Christmas!

Love and kisses,

Jennifer Kristie Barnett

Dear Santa Claus,

I am 18 months old and have been a real good little girl.

I would like a Mini Hot Wheels, a Zookeeper Says, and a music box TV.

I hope you remember to come see Grandpa Hubert and Grandmother and please remember all the other kids.

I love you,
Christy Brooks

Dear Santa,

Hi, how are you this Christmas? I hope that your just fine. I'm a little girl who is in kindergarten this year. And for Christmas I would like a Holly Hobbie Sewing Machine a new doll, some clothes for her, and little cookstove, and some candies and nuts for my stocking. Don't forget my brothers and sister and my little cousins. Also don't forget Mama and Papa Hale, and mommie and daddy, all my aunts and uncles. See you Christmas Eve about midnight.

Love you,
Jennifer Hale

Dear Santa,

Hi, well Santa it's that time of the year, that everyone enjoys, especially all the little boys and girls. And this year I would like a big crane, roaring hot cycle, an electric train, a bulldozer, and some new clothes. Santa I hope you don't mind mommie writing my letter because I'm only three years old and haven't learned to write yet, at least not that you can read it. Santa don't forget my big brother, mommie, daddy, my mama and papa, my stocking is hanging on the fireplace. See you Christmas Eve!

Love you,
Micheal Garza

Dear Santa

I am six years old this year. I have tried to be a good little girl. Please remember my grandparents in Wellington, and my cousins who will be there for Christmas, also.

I would like to have a Whoopsie doll, a Twister and Perfection game, and anything else you think I need.

Please remember all of the other boys and girls.

I love you,
Michelle Sweat

Dear Santa,

My name is Amy Moorhouse and I am five and a half years old. I have tried to be a good girl this year.

I would like to have a Dancerella, a table and chairs and some games.

I will be at Granny and Big Daddy's in Wellington for Christmas so you will be able to find me. Please remember my grandparents and all my cousins. Also, all the other little boys and girls.

I love you
Amy Moorhouse

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Lonnie Colson and I am six years old. I am in Mrs. Henard's first grade class. I want to thank you for all my toys you brought me last year.

Would you please bring me a Energized Spiderman, a quick change machine, a Tonka jeep, a motorcycle with a siren and helmet, and a Star Wars Space station? We will be going to my Pappaw and Mammaw Colson's in Wellington, my Poppo Burk at Parnell, my Pappaw and Nanny Davis, and my Granddaddy and Granny Faye Davis at Memphis. Please bring all of them and my cousins too some presents.

Thank you so much. I hope to see Rudolph when you come. I hope you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! I love You!

Your friend,

Lonnie D. Colson, Jr.
P.S. My new address is 501 15th Street.

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Shonda DeeAnn Colson, I will be 3 January 29. I love you and thank you for all the toys you have brought me before.

Please bring me a baby doll in a purple dress, a doll stroller, and a Hoppity Hop to ride. I would like any other toys you would like to bring me and some candy for my stocking.

Please remember all my friends and cousins. I will be visiting all my Grandparents' homes. My brother Lonnie hopes you will bring him some toys too.

Thank you so very much. Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! We will leave you a treat in the kitchen.

Love,
Shonda Colson



Dear Santa,

I love you I'm a good girl and I hope you think I'm a good girl

I want a barbie motor home, and a TO-speed and a barbie swimming pool baby doll.

love
Stephanie Barton

Dear Santa,

I want a doll house, stretch ocpus, operation game and doll cloths.

Denise

Dear Santa,

I want lots of things for Christmas. I want the x-wing fighter, Death star station, record player, Garage, Shoot out in space.

From Bradley

Dear Santa,

I want a sweet thunder bicycle. I want Battle Ship came, Go For Broke. In my stockin I want a wonder woman watch, some chap stick, money.

Paula

Dear Santa,

I want a barbie and a barbie bedroom sat and a swimming pool and a living room.

I will have a bole of cereal.

Love Janie

Dear Santa

I want a Doll and a Barbie and a 10-speed bike and a ice cream maker and a easybaker.

Love you
Donna Lavon Lewis

Dear Santa

My name is Deborah chandler. I am 11 years old.

I want a rub adud dolly and a watch. a charley angel doll. I live on 908 corsicana I've been a good girl.

Love Debora

Dear Santa,

My name is Stacy Renee Chandler. I want a skateboard and a doll and a Mickey Mouse watch. and I want a charleys angel doll. I live on 908 Corsicana.

Wellington, Tx. 79095

I've been a good girl.
Love, Stacy

Dear Santa,

I am Brian I am 5 I would like a trian set and a football. My two little brothers have been very good. Bring Luke a little car and Chad a rattler I live in Wellington last time I lived at Dodson.

Love,
Merry Xmas Santa
Love Brian Kane

Dear Santa

Will you get me a rifle, gun and holsters? Hot wheels cars too. I go to Wellington school, Mrs. Tarver is my teacher. She's gonna have a birthday after Christmas. Bring Eddie something Holly, Mama, Daddy, too. I live at Dodson by a brown pontiac by Frank.

Love Marvin Elliott

Dear Santa,

I am 6 years old. I would like a racing track that has lights, a football with a kicking tee and some new crayons that has 24 in it. My sister Mindi is 4 years old. She would like a doll that closes its eyes and a record player with records. We both have been real good.

Thank you,
Robert and Mindi Watts

me a star wars space station and all its people and space ships. I want a Mr. Quarterback, a B-B gun, some Lego building blocks and any kind of surprises you might

have for me.

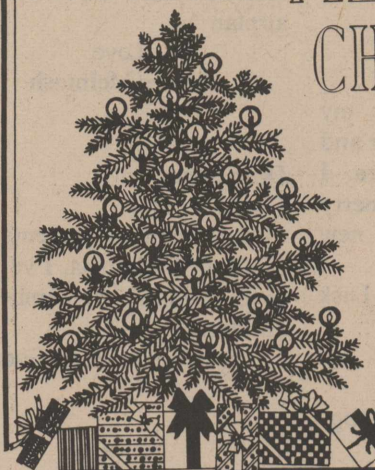
Don't forget all the other boys and girls.

See ya Christmas!

I love you!

Derek Brown

MERRY CHRISTMAS



May yours be a holiday season filled with surprises and good times... smiles and laughter! Hope all Christmas wishes come true for you!

Dody & Keith
Smith

Dear Santa,

I am 5 years old and I try to be good sometimes.

I would like for you to bring



John and Johnny Holton

Blessings to All



Let's be merry! It's time for holiday fun! Gather the family together and share in a warm, wonderful yule. We wish you and yours the best Christmas ever.

SULLIVAN True Value HARDWARE
HARDWARE STORES

James and Priscilla Sullivan

The friendship of those we serve is the foundation of our progress...

BEST WISHES FOR A
HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON...
AND OUR SINCERE THANKS FOR
YOUR LOYALTY AND GOOD WILL
THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

Cruce & Long
Auctioneers

James Mike Donald Jimmy



Merry Christmas

Count our very warm wishes for a holiday without measure, among your gifts this Christmas. Thanks for being our friend.

Vaughan's Cleaners

Coy Bill Marie Loraine



clown.
Shamara Moore wants a stove.
Charlotte McIntosh wants an ice box.
Brent Outley wants an airplane.
Jessica Aguilar wants a small table and chairs.
Cynthia Shrubs wants a Baby That A Way Doll.
Stevie Jarrell wants a tricycle.
Henry Outley wants a Big Wheel.
Lamont Sterling wants a Big Wheel.

The boys and girls at Community Action Center are all eagerly looking forward to Santa's visit to their home. They have tried to be good and they hope Santa can bring each of them the one toy they want most of all. Here are their requests:
Cris Moore wants a horse.
Esequiel Hernandez wants a train.
Christopher Cantu wants a

Santa's An Old Timer In Collingsworth County

Dear Santa Claus;
I am a little boy 4 years old. I've tried really hard to be a good boy all year. Please bring me a godzilla toy (like on TV), Jeep that wheels come off, Big Boat (like on TV.) Games and Spiderman that climbs. My Daddy wants a new shotgun too. Remember all the other little boys and girls around the world.

Dear Santa
I am 6 years old and in the First Grade. I would like a Snuggle Doll lite Brite and Lay-a-Egg

Your Friend
Rinda Green

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Big Fire Truck With 2 Ladders and anything else a 6 year old might like.

Love
Bryce Jones

Bruce Jones

Dear Santa Clause
Please bring me a football, and tee. And my brothe Neal wants a Digital Derby.
Well I wish you Santa a Merry Christmas.
Brent Miles Duncan
5 Years old

Dear Santa
Will you please bring me a stop watch and a AFX Custom Classic Race Car Set that glows in the dark. I also need a new NFL football. A 12 inch framing square would be nice to have. I help my Daddy build things when eh will let me.
See you Christmas, don't forget my cousins in England.
Love Lance Stephens

Dear Santa.
Please bring me a Mickey Mouse watch, a Skyrocket coat, and a new baby doll. Trying to be nice is no fun, so I just don't try, with a name like Stormy, its not easy. Hope to see you Christmas Eve.
Love,
Stormy Stephens

Dear Santa Claus;
Hello! I hope you will have a nice trip Christmas Eve. I sure have been doing lots of thinking over what I want you to bring me. I'd like to have a Stretch Armstrong, Snoopy Punching Bag, Toss Across and Hungry Hippo games, a Tonka loading truck, and some new clothes. Please bring a toy for my puppy, Fred, and something for all my friends and sisters and brothers and mother and Daddy, too! Merry Christmas, Santa!
Love,
Michael Orr

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl nearly 21 months old. My name is Heidi Lewis. I have been a good girl, so please come see me on Christmas Day. I really liked the doll and all the other toys you brought me last year. Please bring me a doll and whatever else you might have in your sleigh for little girls. Please remember all the other boys and girls. I have a new baby cousin, Kelley. Please don't forget her and her

brother Dusty.
Love you Santa,
Heidi Lewis

Dear Santa,
I want everything I see, but my mama and daddy says that is selfish and I have to pick just a few toys so you will have enough for all the other kids. I finally decided on Alvin the Aardvark, a Mickey Mouse typewriter, and a Baby Wet and Car. I am 3 years old and I cry an awful lot but I hope you will bring me something anyway.
Love,
Misty Dawn Gilmore

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Sandra Kay Gilmore and I am nearly 6 years old. I would like a big bicycle without training wheels and a Baby Wet 'n Care for Christmas this year. I help my mama with my sister, Misty and I try very hard to be good. I hope you can find our house. We moved since last Christmas, but if you can't we will be at Wellington for Christmas at all my Grand-ma's and Grandpa's.
Merry Christmas,
Sandra



Dear Santa,
I'm a little girl four years old and my name is Shannon. Would you please bring me a Baby Wet and Care, a bicycle with training wheels and a big basket and a Play dough burger and malt shop.
Love
Shannon White

Dear Santa:
Thank you for last years things, I have been pretty good. I would like a radio-controlled r2 d2 from Star Wars for Xmas and Mrs. Noakes would like a diamond ring and diamond earrings.
Love Nckie Dodson

Dear Santa
Thank you for the toys you gave me.
I want a horse for Christmas.
I want a saddle for Christmas
I want a dogs for Christmas
I want my brother.
Love Stacey and Steven Hale

Dear Santa,
Thank you for last yers christmas
I have been good.
I want a tv
Mark would like stretch armstrong.
I want a watch.
I would like a bike.
I would like a dun buggy.
Love Clay and Mark.

Dear Santa
I have been a good girl most of the time
Thank you for all the nice toys.
I would like to have Wonder Woman doll Star War dolls and anything else that you want me to have. Please give the other boys and girls some nice toys too. I love you Santa
Love, Diana Noakes

Dear Santa;
I have been a good girl most of the time. Thank you very much for all the things I got last year I would like a doll house Princess Leia and some Star War Dolls. Please give all the other boys and girls some nice toys too. I love you very much
Love Daria Noakes.

Dear Santa
I have a special picture for you. I love you Santa-I have been pretty good this year. Thank you for all the toys I got last year I would like to have princess Leia Star War Dolls, paint set and a baton. I will leave my picture by my tree.
Love Valerie Noakes

Dear Santa:
Thank you for all the toys. I am three years old. I have been good part of the time.
I would like a Barn that goes Moo I want a car, truck and lots of toys. Please give my sisters some toys too I love you.
Love
David Noakes
Kiddie Korner

DEAR SANTA,
I'm all mixed-up, my mom ask me what I wanted for Christmas. I said I wanted a calf. But mom said you don't need a calf. So we had a little fuss about that, then I said, what about a minni-bike? And she said it cost too much. So Santa bring me what you want to bring me.
Leslie
Hammon

Leslie Hammons

Dear Santa,
I like best of al on the Christmas season is to open presents. And here's what I want for Christmas, a chemistry set, and a watch, and camra. That's all I want for Christmas this year. And I hope I didn't over load you. And I hope all of you have a Merry Christmas.
Jeff Ray

Dear Santa i like trampolin best of all the Christmas season i have tried to be nice and helpful.
i want Basket Ball for Christmas. Remember all buoys and girls.
Love
Jessie Barber

Dear Santa:
My name is Melanie Martindale and I live in Samnorwood, TX. I have tried to be a good little girl this year but it is sometimes hard for someone just three years old to be good all of the time. I would like to have, "Baby Wet

& Care", a cash register like "Nannys", and a Big Wheel. I have a sister named Kimberly and a brother named Michael, please remember them and all of my other little friends. I will leave you some cookies on the table and I will leave the door unlocked because we do not have a chimney. Have a Merry Christmas Santa and I love you.
Melanie Martindale

Dear Santa,
I am trying so hard to be a good girl. I helped my brothers decorate our Christmas tree and I will try to help MOTHER wrap the gifts.
Santa, I would like a sink to match my stove and refrigerator, a record player and a Baby Doll. I would like some surprizes in my stocking.
Please remember my two big broghers and all my little friends.
Love,
Jennifer Long



Seasons Greetings
Together, we can make this the best Christmas yet. Have a happy, one and all!
Farris & Joe Cornelius

Holiday Cheer
There's a lot to cheer about at Oldsmobile dealers this year. Oldsmobile has opened a new Cutlass Assembly Center in Lansing, Michigan. The new facility can build 60 Cutlasses per hour. Along with other facilities, the new addition makes Oldsmobile in Lansing the largest passenger car assembly complex in North America.
Kendrick Oldsmobile sends holiday greetings and cheer to all of our friends and customers. Come see us soon.
Kendrick Oldsmobile
Mickey Kendrick

MERRY MERRY MERRY CHRISTMAS
and thanks for your patronage this past year.
Vernell's Jewelry & Gifts
Evelyn Pam Janice
D.C. & Vernell

Wishing you
**LOVE
HAPPINESS
PEACE
and JOY**
throughout
the holiday
season.
Thanks to our many friends!
Wellington Cottonseed Delinters
Mary Gene Pat, Geney & Scooter

May you have the spirit of Christmas which is peace, the gladness of Christmas which is Hope and the heart of Christmas which is Love.
Ray Young
Tri-State Pest Control

Wishing You a Beautiful Christmas
House of Beauty
Jackie Isaacs Dorothy Massey
Sandra Motsenbocker Zell Nash
Edith Jackson Elizabeth Baker

Silent Night, Holy Night



One dazzling star guided the Wise Men to Our Saviour on that holy night, so long ago. May the eternal radiance of this Hallowed season guide you to peace and contentment.

Town & Country

Mellie Lana Ethel Shelba Norma Don

Santa's Sleigh Glides on Magic During Run In Dry Southwest

Dear Santa,
I'm a little boy 6 days old. I really don't know much about toys but with all the shortages in the world I could always use a box of Pampers in my stocking. Maybe an extra pacifier for emergencies. I'll see ya Christmas because I'll probably be awake at that time.

Love,
Arvel Lee Hicks, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want hot wheels & star wars. I want a tractor & a bob cat. I want that Fuzzy Pumper and hamburger maker. I want a big tractor with a hood on it, that's red and a row binder on it. a cotton trailer and a cotton tromper and a AC L2 combine. I think I want the Sunshine family.

Love,
Larrie Black Dodson, Tx.



Dear Santa Claus,
I want a wet and care baby, creapie crawlers, snuggles baby, a bardie house, hot rods cars, fuzzy pumper play dough

Love,
Leslie Black Dodson, Tx.
P.S. I want the Sunshine Family with the big girl and baby brother.

Dear Santa;
Thank you for all the nice thing last year. I am going to be good. I want a dancearella Doll and Charle's Angels, and Van. My Mother needs new Maturnity clothes. My Farther needs new boots and new shoes and dress suit. Love
Crystal Naylor

Dear Santa,
I am four years old. I would like to have a pedal race car and a woody woodpecker watch for Christmas. I also have a little brother named Chad who's only 10 months old so please bring him some toys, too.

Love,
Bradley Southerland



Dear Santa,
I want a camera and I want a Doll and Merry Christmas to all of you and how is it in North Pole? Is it cold down there? And there will be some cookies and milk on the table. Merry Christmas to all of you Santa Clase.

Lia Drew

Dear Santa;
I am 16 months old. I don't remember last Christmas very well, but it seems like it's going to be a pretty fun thing. I would like a riding toy that my legs will be long enough to reach the pedals. I'll be at my Grandma Belew's on Christmas Eve and at Grandma Jesse's on Christmas day. Please remember all of my cousins. Don't forget that R.L. lives here now and Billy and Sonya will be here Christmas, too.

I love you,
Wesley Belew

Dear Santa,
Thank you for last year christmas. I have been good. I want a santa doll, my teacher Mrs. Noakes would like 10000000000000. I like you santa. Love Kevin McDanel

Dear Santa
Thank you for last year's Christmas when I got the exkimo doll I think I have been very good this year I would like an easy-bake-oven an cowgirl suit some boots an cowgirl hat. My friend Lolly and I would like an operation game. I love you santa. Love Dana Isaacs

Dear Santa
I thank you for all the Thing last year. I'll be good my friend, Nickie would like a little car and Mark wants marzon I would like a 4 foot sport car speed burner a star wars watch
I Love you very much Santa Roderick Perez

Dear Santa,
My name is Jana Pruitt. I am a very nice 5 year old girl. I've tried hard all year to mind my parents and be kind to my friends. Please bring me a Baby Heartbeat Doll, a dollhouse and anything else you think I would like. Remember to look for me at my cousin Shelly's on Christmas Eve. Don't forget all the other children--were all excited about your visit. Thank you, Santa!

I love you,
Jana Pruitt
Age 5

P.S. Please help me find my dog, J.D. Christmas will be even happier if he'd come home.

Dear Santa,
I like to have an easy Bake Oven. And a baby doll that take bath. And anything you wont to bring. Dont forget the other Girls and boys.

Love you
Ronda Sue Nation

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy in the first grade. I am looking forward to your visit this year. I really enjoyed Star Wars so I would like a Battle cruiser, some Star Wars people, and a Big Wheel. I am learning to tell time so please bring me a Star Wars watch. Please don't forget my little sister, Landi and Brad and Suzanne.

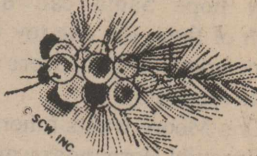
Love,
Brian Fülcher
Arlington, Texas



Dear Santa,
I am one and a half years old and I would like to have a baby doll and cradle. Would you please bring my brother Jack a weight bench. He thinks he needs to be strong so that he can carry me. Also bring cousin T.Jay, Todd, Tony and Brandon something. Thank you for everything that you bring. Don't forget Mommy and Daddy.

Love,
Barbra-Ayne Lennon
P.S. Please bring Daddy a diaper changer.

Dear Santa,
I am in 2nd Grade. I am eight years old. And I am a boy. We are going to have a play next Tuesday. I am going to be Santa in the play. I need to borrow a Santa suit from you. I would like two things for Christmas. A bike and some creepy crawlers. I have been a very very good boy. Love, Ronny Mote.



Dear Santa,
I am eight years old. and I am in 2 Grade. I am a Girl and I have been a good Girl We are having a play. Next Tuesday I am Mrs. Santa Claus and Ronny Mote is Santa. My boyfreind is Nickie Dodson. I would like to have a tape recorder and a baby Alive and some creepy crawlers. Love
Tammy Thomas

CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS

The message of the Birth of Our Saviour serves as an inspiration to all. We hope you enjoy every blessing at this time of peace...and loving...and giving. Sincere appreciation to our friends.

Hartman Electric & Refrigeration
Leon Margaret Steve Lisa

Christmas Joy

With mistletoe and holly may this Christmas be jolly!

Hale's Equipment

Junior Victor James

Merry Christmas

Bringing a pack full of warm wishes for a jolly Christmas to all the fine folk we count as friends. It's a pleasure to know you...thanks.

Colwell Gulf Station
Kenneth Colwell

Ruby's Factory Outlet
Ruby Colwell

We wish you and yours season's blessings.

Dick & Betty Campbell

GREETINGS

Never too busy to stop and say "Merry Christmas to all good girls and boys!"

Singley Mill & Elevator

Youngsters Think of Others as Christmas Eve Draws Near

Dear Santa,
I am 4 years old. Please send me some toys for Christmas. I am having difficulty narrowing my choice of much-wanted toys. I would be happy if I could have a Stretch Armstrong, sleeping bag, green machine, Star Wars, gun, Play Doh barber shop, and Star Wars racing set.

Please remember my Aunt Renee.

Love,
Michael Simcoe
Green Brook, NJ

Dear Santa I like the toys you brought me last Christmas I would like creepy crawlers and a mouse trap game and a Hungry hungry hippo game and Cheryl ladd Barbie and a Joe hardy Barbie that's all Santa!

from Dena Lacy

Dear Santa,
I like present's best of all Christmas Season. I have tried to be nice and helpful. I want a "ten speed" for Christmas a blue one and I want a Hamburger radio for my bike. And a pair of pants'.

Angela Watts

Dear Santa,
I want a tiger bulletin board and a sunny Bunch Bag and a Kiddymatic mixer blender.

From Debora Barton

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl 1 1/2 years old. I have been a pretty good girl this year. For Christmas I would like for you to bring me a Big Bird, a tricycle and a baby doll. Don't forget my cousin Jamie.

Love, April Manuel

Dear Santa Clause,
I would like a colered tv and a record player and a doll and doll clothes.
love Shannon Hill

Dear Santa Claus
I am a little Boy in the second grade. please get me a Jon Deer tratr.
Rex Henard

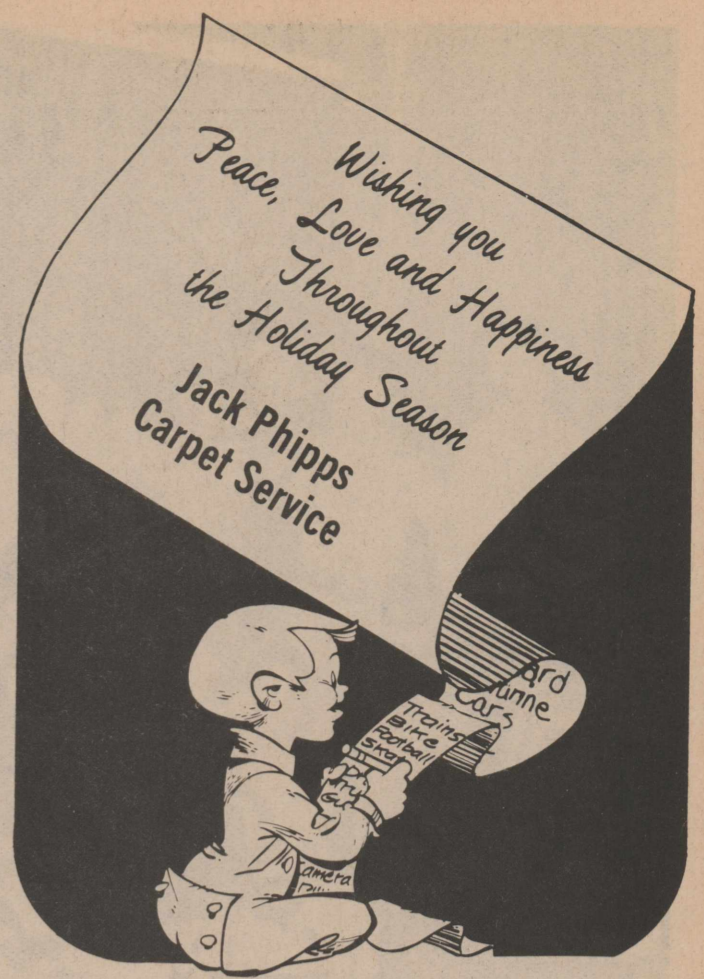
Dear Santa I have been a good little girl and I hope you think so So I hope you think I have Been good Dear Santa would you please get me for christmas a Tape Recorder and a Sony TV Dear Santa

My Name is Tonya Cannon
Age Nine
I love you

Dear Santa,
My name is Lynsi Saye and I am 10 months old. This is my first Christmas and I don't know too much about it yet. I saw you in Amarillo and really liked to pull your beard. I'll be pleased with anything you bring me because I really like the ribbons and paper on the boxes. Pulling the bows off the packages is the most fun.

Don't forget my aunts, Lori and Linda. They help take care of me-Sometimes.

I love you,
Lynsi Kaye Lacy



A CHILD IS BORN

As we reflect on the miracle of the Birth of The Heavenly King, let us all join together in love and humility. May our thanks enrich your holiday.



Duane's Exxon
8th & Haskell
Duane Carol Joey

Dear Santa,
I want a doll that has the rash.

2. And a easy bake oven.
3. And a doll called sun tan tuesday talor.

Merry Christmas Santa Claus.

Sophia Hobbs



Dear Santa,
I am a big boy nine years old.

We have been pretty good this year, I hope you find us this year. We have moved to Tell. Thank you santa for the things you brought us last year. I would like a bike and shoot out in space. My sister would like snuggles and some dishes this year. My brother would like a cowboy hat, and a shot gun and a vest.

Darrin Jesse
Dana Jesse
Jeremy Jesse
We love you

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Michelle Chanslor. I am 5 years old. I love in New Iberia, Louisiana and I will be at Mama & Papa Patterson for Christmas. Please bring me a big bicycle and a baby wet a care and a fuzzy pumper. I have tried to be a good girl.

I love you,
Missy

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Brandi, and I am 2 years old, but my sister is writing this for me.

I would like a jumping horse, a play telephone, and a baby doll.

Please remember my Ma and Pa at Childress.

Love
Brandi Caye
Barnett

Dear Santa,
My name is Dusty, and I live in Childress. I've tried to be a good boy this year, even though Mother and Daddy say I'm going through another "Stage."

Please bring me a Snoopy Dog House, a Race Car Track, and what ever else you and your elves made plenty of. My baby sister's name is Kelley and she has been really sweet. Please, Santa, bring her a baby doll and some new clothes.

Also Santa, please remember my cousins Heidi Lewis, Kacy, Nancy and Jayme Davis---They have been good too! Please remember all the other boys and girls in the world, They love you too!

I love you Santa
Dusty McKinney



Dear Santa Claus Plesas Evil Canievel. And a airplane and spiderman.
Love carter Lynn Nash

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a big Boy I Want a airplane and a truck and a Evil Canievel and I love Santa Claus

Jessie Costillo

Dear Santa
We will be at our house for Christmas. Bring us some toys we can both play with. NaNa and PePa will be at our house too.

Amber & Ryan Ford

Dear Santa Claus
I want a doll that can talk and walk.
I want alive puppy. And a bean bag puppy and a live little kitten.
Laura Ramos

Dear Santa
I would like to have a bike and a doll. Irma Sanchez

Dear Santa
I want a Charles Angels and van and creep crawlers Thats all for this year Santa
I love you from
Ginger Daniel



Dear Santa,
I would like a set of Hot Rods. And a bike.

Thank You,
Steven Armstrong
Age 7



The spirit of Christmas

May the Blessings of the Holy Child be with you this Christmas Season and always.

Frankie & Jack Campbell
Laura & Ed

Greetings



'Tis the season to be jolly!
Here's wishing you the brightest, happiest Christmas to all our patrons and their families. Your support has been wonderful!

STEVE & KATY DAVIS CATALOG SALES
806 East Ave. East Side Square
447-2518



Steve Katy Kathy Vonna



O'Hair Plumbing and Heating
Ann Raymond Ross



THE CITY'S CHILDREN

Santa Claus visited these youngsters, all children of employees of the City of Wellington or council members, during the annual Christmas dinner recently. In the back row are Jimmy Carroll, Brad Neeley, Phil Molina, Brenda Molina, Susan Carroll sitting on Santa's knee, Geronimo Molina, Jr., Samuel Garza and Tony Molina. In front of the tree are Dudley Owens and Dell Davis. Seated from left are Gena Davis, Thomas Molina, Paula Neeley, Julie Wilkins, Dana Langford and behind her Carrie Langford, Penny Wilkins, Rose Molina and Bret Larned.

Goodies for Santa Beside Christmas Trees

Dear Santa Clause,
I would like for you to bring me a Chainsaw, Dump Truck, Crane, Guitar, and a Beaver Work Bench so I can help my Daddy.
Would you please bring my Aunt Candy a skateboard.
I would also like a tractor & trailer like my Daddy's I have been a pretty good boy this year.
Have a Merry Christmas & thank you.
Your Friend
Brian Barton

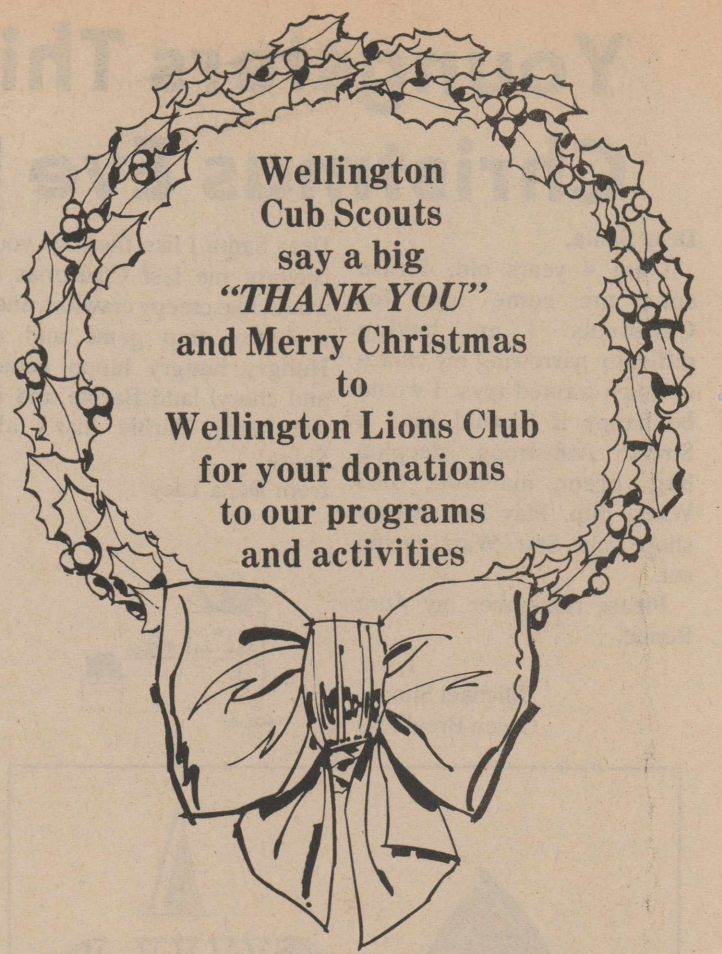
Dear Santa Claus:
Would you please bring me a doll stroller. Barbie car, Barbie curl set. A doll wardrobe set. I would like a 8-track tape player. Remember my friends.
Dede Hudspeth
511 West Lamar
Hollis, Okla.

Dear Santa Claus;
I am almost three now and I have tried o be a very good little boy.
Please may I have some toys for Christmas. I like fire trucks, trains and dump trucks. Please remember all the other little girls and boys, too!
I am going to visit Pa Karnes and Grandmother before Christmas this year so I'll be at home Christmas morning! I have hung my stocking by my Christmas tree. Give Rudolph a big hug for me and please hurry, Santa, I really have been a good boy!
Love
Richard & Ronnie
Jenkins

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. I want a motor bike.
Love
Tracy Wayne Tutt
Carrallton, TX

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 2 years old. This Christmas, I would like a sit'n' Spin and a truck. I like lots of trucks. Please remember all of the other little boys and girls, too. Say "Hi" to my Auntie in California.
Love,
Ramey Wauer

Amarillo, Texas
December 14, 1978
Dear Santa,
I am a little boy two years old and I am really excited about Christmas this year. I can sing several songs about you and I talk about you all the time. One thing I can't understand is why I have to wait until Christmas Eve night for you to come see me.
I sure do need a little slide (like I play on in the church nursery), a road grader and a talking Big Bird. I'm really trying to be a good boy so you won't forget me.
Please don't forget my little cousins in Alaska and all the boys and girls everywhere.
I love you!
Aaron Micheal Lamkin
2522 N. Bolton
Amarillo, Texas 79107



Wellington
Cub Scouts
say a big
"THANK YOU"
and Merry Christmas
to
Wellington Lions Club
for your donations
to our programs
and activities

Dear Santa Claus,
Hi my name is Robert Shea I'm in the 5th grade. I want a race track it races diesels and a back tier and a home stretch game.
Robert Shea

Dear Sandy Clow
I wont somthing for Shrictmas I Ben a Good Girl will You Get Me and my sister a Doll a pices For CHRistmas.
Lois Jean Shannon

Dear Santa,
My name is Becky Linn Barton. I am 12 years old. I would like a baker set, 3 games, a little baby tender love, a blue shoulder bag with my name on it, a name stapler.
Love,
Becky

I love you
God Bless you

Dear Santa,
My name is Stacey Michelle Brandvik. I am 12 years old. I would like a: 10 speed bike, a pottery wheel, some clothes, a Grease Record, some jewelry, a doll, gym bag, a desk lamp.
Love
Stacey

Dear Santa Clause,
I want a doll to sit on my shelf. And a tapeplayer. And a tape recorder. And a trampoline. I will put some cookies out for you. I'm a good girl. I want to see Roodoff the Red nose Reindeer. He is the best reindeer of all.
Love,
Toni

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Wishing you a joyous Holiday Season

Lutie Gin
Joe Knoll & All the Crew



Best Wishes



TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS!
We wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year abundant with joy!

Baker's Concrete

Maxie Judy
Harold Brenda Mindy

SEASON'S GREETINGS

A very special holiday greeting to all of our special friends and patrons who have visited us this past year. We have enjoyed serving you.

Hiett & Hiett Construction
Perry & Laverne Gary & Wauleen

Joyous Noel

We're joining the jolly old elf in wishing you a very merry holiday. Thanks for being such wonderful customers. We appreciate your patronage.

FU Farmers Union Insurance Agency
Kirby Campbell, Agent

Collingsworth County Farmers Union

Joy to The World...

May you love and be loved this holiday season, may you give and receive. Above all else, it's time for sharing! Christmas is the most wonderful season of the year.

1st Wellington Agency
Bobo Henry Susan LaVerne Ruby Dee

Spirited Reindeer Chomping at the Bit

Dear Santa,
My name is Christy and I'm 1 1/2 years old. I have been a good girl this year and really want a baby doll for Xmas. I like to help my mother cook so I'd like some dishes and pots and pans too! I was too shy to sit in your lap but I still love you Santa.



Christy

Dear Santa,
How have you been?
Doing fine I hope.
Santa I want you to bring me a Operain game for Christmas
Well Santa I guess that's all.
Love Patti Powell

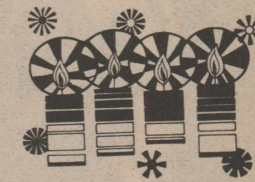
Dear Santa,
I want a Teddy Bear.
And a dart game and crayolas and a crayola book. My Christmas list. Love Lyndy Forrester.

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm Linda. I'm nine years old. I'm a good girl, too. You know, I'd really like a Hungry Hippo game if you have one. And a perfection game, too, and a lay-an-egg. I would like a Barbie traveler too. I'd like some Kinda doll like Dancella and Baby wet and care. Well, have a nice trip.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. Would you please bring me a wet and care baby and some playdough. Please don't forget all the other boys and girls and my sister Jodi. We will leave you some milk and cookies, when you come.
I love you Santa,
Hattie Jo Blacksher

Love,

Linda Lacy
P.S. Don't forget my niece Lynsi or my sister Lori.



IRON HORSES

Included in the exhibit of toys at Collingsworth County Historical Museum is this electric train belonging to Darwin Nix. Although not old, it is much like those that have entertained generations of young boys. Behind the engine and coal car is a pair of iron horses and wagon running gear given to the museum by Jerry Nix. Watching the train run are Steven Owens, Kelly Goforth, Robert Owens, Jr., and Rex Henard.

Dear Santa Clause
I would like a Football, and a

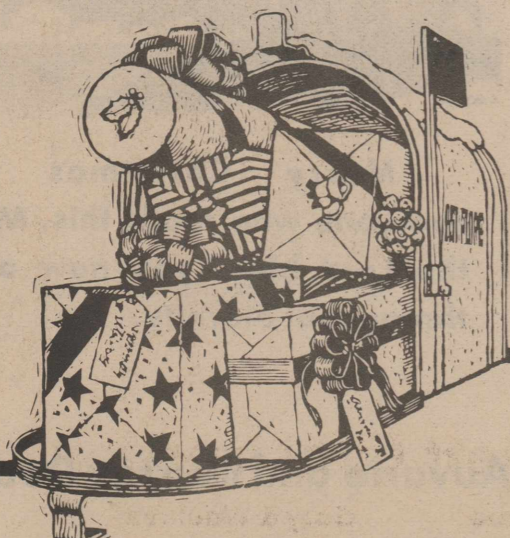
stop watah, and a recorder.
Brad Long

Leslie Lindley
Rt. 3
Shamrock, Tx. 79079

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. So I want a piggy bank with some pennys. And a reinbeer suit. Do yon wont some supper?
Love Rhonda Devoss

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl who is 5 years old. I would like for you to bring me a bicycle basket, a basketball, and a goal. Please bring my brother, Lance, a Big Truck, and a Big Crane. He is 2 years old. And please don't forget my baby brother Jason, who is 10 months old. He would like some nice new baby toys. Anything you would like to put in our stockings will be fine.

Love,
Leslie Lindley



It's always nice to keep
in touch
with folks you like
so very much
MERRY CHRISTMAS!
City Garage
C.O. Wilkerson, Owner 447-5601
C.O. and Bama

Dear Santa,
My name is Chad and I'm six years old. I have tried hard to be a good boy this year. I would like to have an X-wing fighter, Godzilla, and a speed burner. I need a pair of boots too!

Chad

OUR SAVIOR IS BORN

A Blessed Spirit touches heaven
and earth recalling a
miraculous story of Love and Birth.
In reverence we pray
for your happiness and say thanks
for the gift of your friendship.

THE FAIR

George Marie Rose Ollie Vivian Pearl



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

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GREETINGS

May the gaiety
and warmth of the
season brighten
the hearts and light
the lives of our good
customers and
friends. Thanks
for your continued
loyalty and patronage.

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John Bill Johnny Jerry Doris Teresa Clint Nolan



THE ANGEL OF THE LORD CAME UPON THEM

"Then the Lord's angel stood by them, and the Lord's glory shone around them. They were terrified. 'Don't be afraid,' the angel said to them. 'I have good news for you. A great joy will come to all the people: The Savior, who is Christ the Lord, was born for you today in David's town. And this is how you will know Him: you will find a Baby all wrapped up and lying in a manger.'" - Luke 2:9-12. Children of First United Methodist Church dramatize the Christmas story Sunday, Dec. 17

Many Kinds of Toys will Excite Children Christmas

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be nice and helpful and tried to have mares at the table and I take care of my sisters and I always wanted a Bike and a cook set and I always carry out the trash and make up my bed and clean my room and I help my sister make her Bed and I Do the Dishis and Dry them and put them up and then I do my homework and then I go to Bed at 9:00.

Joannie Tyson
Wellington
4th Grade

Mr. & Mrs. Santa,
Santa, first I would like to have some snow for Christmas. I want a Baby Alive & Sew Perfect. For Allison please bring a baby doll and a big bear.
I am in kindergarten at Liestman Elementary this year and we are moving to our new school building soon.
Remember all the other girls & boys and be careful coming down our chimney. If you're too fat you might have to come through the door.
Ho, Ho, Ho.
Kelly Smith
Houston, Tx.

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like alarm clock and a piggy bank and a pet bunny. I love you-Santa
Love
Valerie Noakes

Dear Santa Claus,
I like presnts best of all the Chirsmas soon. I have tried to be nice and helpful. I want a calucaator in a pear of roller skates in most of all a bike in a trampoline.
Rember all girls in boys.
Leah Tunstall
Wellington School
4th Grade

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old and have tried to be a pretty good boy. I want the Star Wars X-Wing and Tie fighter, and the people that ride in them. I have a 6 month old brother Heath too, he wants some toys that rattle and make noise I'll leave you some cookies on the table.
Love,
Shane Popwell

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 5 years old. I would like for you to bring me the Star Wars Death Star Space Station, Tie Fighter, X-Wing Fighter, and some candy. Don't forget all the other boys and girls.
I love you,
Michael Holliman
Amarillo, Texas

Dear Santa,
I would like you to gring me a Numbers up game and Company commander set or if you do not have that a Star Wars gun set and a B-B gun and I would like to bring me lots of go things. And don't forget all the other boys and girls.

Daryon Brown



Wellington, Tx.

Dear Santa,
This is my first Christmas, as I am only 9 months old. Please bring me a rocking horse, tricycle and rocking chair and some soft toys. Don't forget my cousins Richard & Rebecca. I will be at my granny & grandpa Kilpatrick's in Memphis. Please don't forget my grandparents in Wellington. I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Love,
Terry Lacy Fincher, Jr.

Dear Santa,
I like presents best of all the Christmas. And they is one prents that I want it is a horse but there is one more thing it is books that is all that I really want.
Love,
Ashley Williams



Our warmest thanks to you, with the wish that this merry season will bring with it a sleigh-full of joys and bright Christmas Cheer.

Dungan's City Cafe
Perry & Virginia Dungan

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm a little girl 2½ years old.

I'm so excited about you Santa; and the packages under our tree and Memaw's too.
Santa Claus, I would like a stove, refrigerator, sink with play food and dishes. I'm "Mommy's Little Helper" so she wants me to have my very own to play with.
Please remember my big sister Renee and my big brother Dudley.
I love you, Santa,
Love,
Tiffany Jill
Owens

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Kassie and I am three and half years old I have been a good little girl and would like for you to bring me a This and That Doll, a bear and a pretty ballerina. I love you and please don't forget about the other boys and girls.
Love you,
Kassie Laine Bergvall

Dear Santa,
I am four years old now and I would like some star wars figures, a tie-fighter and some matchbox airplaines, Army ones. Tuey and I would share a Lego set and a spaceship if you have one.
Please bring my cat Samantha something, I don't care what, just something, And that's all I want.
Love,
Douglas



Dear Santa,
I am six years old and I've been good. I would like some star wars figures and an X-wing fighter plane and a Death Star Space Station. My brother Doug and I would share a Lego set and any kind of spaceship you could get. Also something for my cat Angie.
Love,
Dennis

GREETINGS

May you enjoy every minute of a Merry Christmas and share its good times with those dear to you. Thanks all.

Sears
Authorized CATALOG SALES MERCHANT

Sears Catalog Sales Merchant
Elmer & Carolyn Keller
Neil McKinney Peggy Neeley Laverne Christian Glenda Hill

NOEL

Merry Christmas to everyone who reads this. May the Lord bless you now and throughout eternity.

Auvarie and Murray Dodson

Thanks

to all our customers for the privilege of serving you during the past year. Merry Christmas and a very happy New Year.

Wellington Spraying Service
Joe & Mary Fickling
Owners & Operators

Wayne McClendon
Office Manager

PEACE

This year we're celebrating our 45th year in business and more than ever this year, we want to thank the people of the trade area for your support and friendship. Our wish for all of you during this Christmas Season is peace and prosperity during the New Year.

J.C. HOWELL GROCERY
Dodson
J.C. and Helen

Season's Greetings

from all of us at

Jim's OK Tire Store
Novia Jim Danny Linda
Bo Ray Orval



MUSEUM DOLLS

Against a background of quilts pieced many years ago, this is part of the exhibit of dolls on display during the Christmas season. At front are four Henard cousins, Tammy, Sandy, Sharon and Beki. Sandy holds a rag doll printed on flour sacks, to be cut out and stuffed. The one in Sharon's arms, which belonged to her great aunt, the late Mildred Henard Taylor. Most of the dolls in the case are many years old. A few are modern replicas.

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a tape player, tape case, baby burps, raider, purse, jeans, Shaun Cassidy jacket, shirts, coat, gown, rob, tapes, bran bag chair and coach. Have a happy Christmas.

Happy Greetings,
Stephaie Brandvik

Dear Sant-Clase

I want a trampoling and a skateboard and a 10 speaded bike. Cassidy jacket and a Grease reacky. I am 9 years old.

Candy Canada

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a skateboard and a popcorn popper a ten sped, a blow dryer, a necklace, a ring.

Love your friend,
Norna Linda Garza

Dear Santa,

I am in 2nd grade
Miss Morgan.

We are having a play

next Tuesday. I am Rudolph, the-red-nose reindeer. I would like spin 'n art and some magic markers to and a pottery set and that is all.

Love D'Nae Keller.

Dear Santa,

I am 7 years old. I am in 2 Grade. I want a numdrs up game, and a baby alive, and a baby barpe boll love Dione Moore

Dear Santa,

I am 7 years. I am a girl. I love you Santa. Waer having a Play, and I am Elf I weat to have a doll and a nubr up game Love Wendy Riley

Dear Santa Claus,

I was 11 Dec. 14, 1978. i got a dollhouse and some furniture. I would like some

more furniture. I hope I get a camera from you to. My little brother is getting a bouncing horse from my Grandmother. If you can bring this to me I would like it very much. I will have cookies and milk waiting for you Christmas Eve. I wish you a Merry Christmas.

Love,
Sandy

Dear Santa,

I am 1 and a half years old, I have been pretty good this year. Please bring me a baby doll and a wagon, and I sure do love oranges, apples a other fruit. I'll be looking for you.

Your friend
Bambi Colwell

Dear Santa

I want a trampling, taperecorder, a new saddle, bridle. I have been a good

Love
John Bentley

girl. And I will leave you some cookies.

Love
Tammie

Dear Santa,

Super Jock baseball, Super Jock football, Supe Jock basketball, race and track with some cars that have rights and a shotgun, and some boxing-gloves, basketball gole and a basketball and a football and moticle and a bike and a bbgun and a peletgun and a cristmas tree and a moke controll tv and I have bin good boy.

love
Rene

Dear Santa,

I am 9 years old I woold like bedgile, go car, BB gun, TV game, R.M. 80.

Love
John Bentley

Dear Sanda,

I will bike a gun, a coat, foot dall, also Frootie the Snow man and Honda.

I have been a good boy this year I will leave you soon cookies and milk.

Emirilo Garcia

Dear Santa,

I will have cookis want for you. I want a Superjock BasketBall, race trace, BB gun Boxing Gloves, cars and trucks, football, Bike, Zweel-ler, Honda, pealet gun, Robot, pupy, canrsa, Swimming pool.

Love
Amos

Dear Santa;

I am a little boy who will be 6 years old on Dec. 24th. I am in kindergarten at Quail School and Mrs. Hudson is my teacher. I try to be good most of the time.

I would like a big flat-bed truck to haul my tractor, a wooden toy rifle and a record player to share with my little brother.

I really have enjoyed what you brought me last year, Thank. Don't forget all of the other little boys and girls.

See you the 24th.
Curtis Neeley

Dear Santa

I am Maria, three years old, and would like the stretch Olivia Otcopus. And please don't forget my sister Jenny who's two. She would like anything at all. We would both like a Wonder Horse. Thank you for last years toys.

We love you,
Maria and Jenny
Holliman
Amarillo, Texas



Dear Santa Claus,

How are you? Are you still fat? I have been a good girl and would like to have a big baby doll that cries & jumprope & bottles for my doll & play dishes. And bring my sisters Amanda, Lori & Leah something too because their good sometimes, but not as good as I've been. Please bring them to Dodson, where I live. I'll have milk & cookies setting on the table for you. See you real soon.

Love
LaTresa
Stewart

Dear Santa,

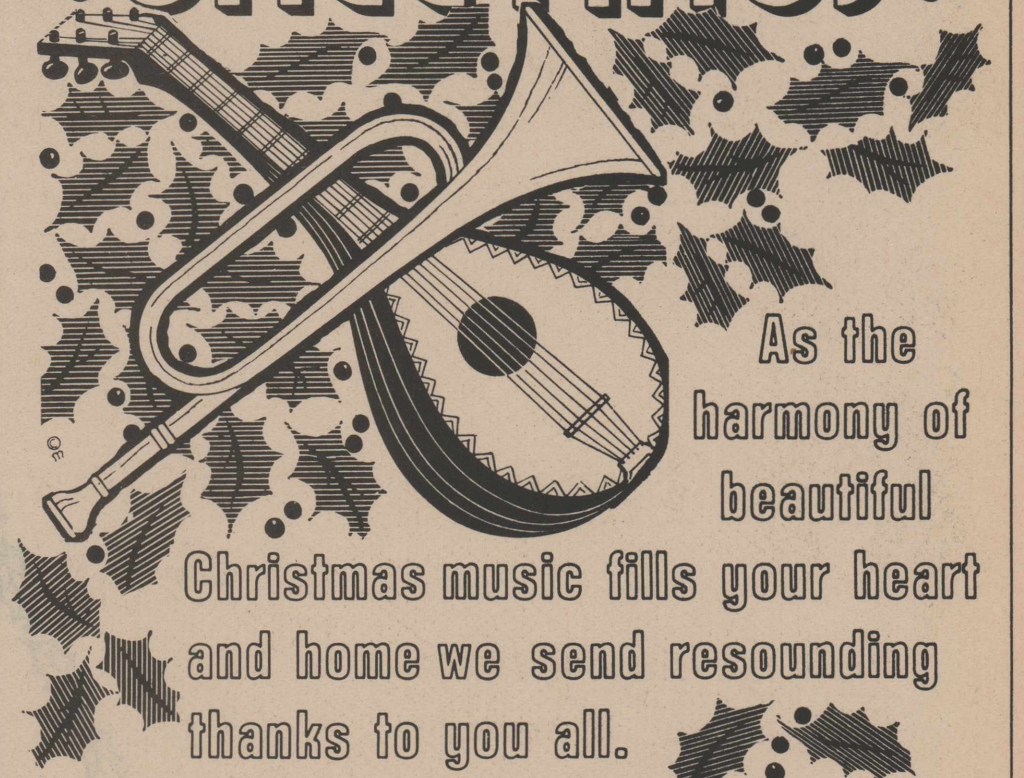
I am a little boy who is 2 years old. I try to be good most of the time.

I would like a big flat bed truck to haul my toy tractors on, a rifle and a record player that my brother and I could share.

Please don't forget all of the other good boys & girls. Also, Santa thanks for what you brought me last year.

I Love You,
David Neeley

GREETINGS



BLACK'S AUTOMOTIVE

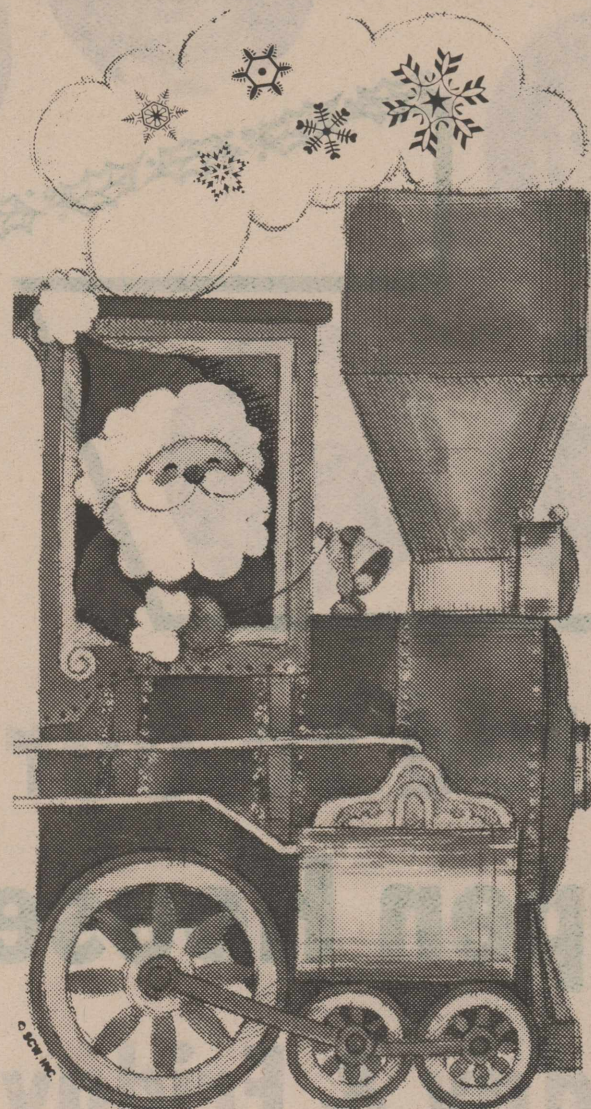
Joy to the World

A Child is Born! May the gift of faith guide you, the blessing of hope assure you, the peace of His love sustain you, the spirit of His birth follow you...now and forever.



Smith Motor Co.
Hezze Jones, Salesman

NOEL



Here's Santa's "Christmas Special" loaded with best wishes for a jolly holiday.

Your children have brought us joy as bright as Christmas all through the year. Thanks for the opportunity to serve you.

Neva's Kiddie Corner
Neva Janee Betty Margie
Thomas Music Center
John & Neva Lindy & LaVonda



Merry Christmas

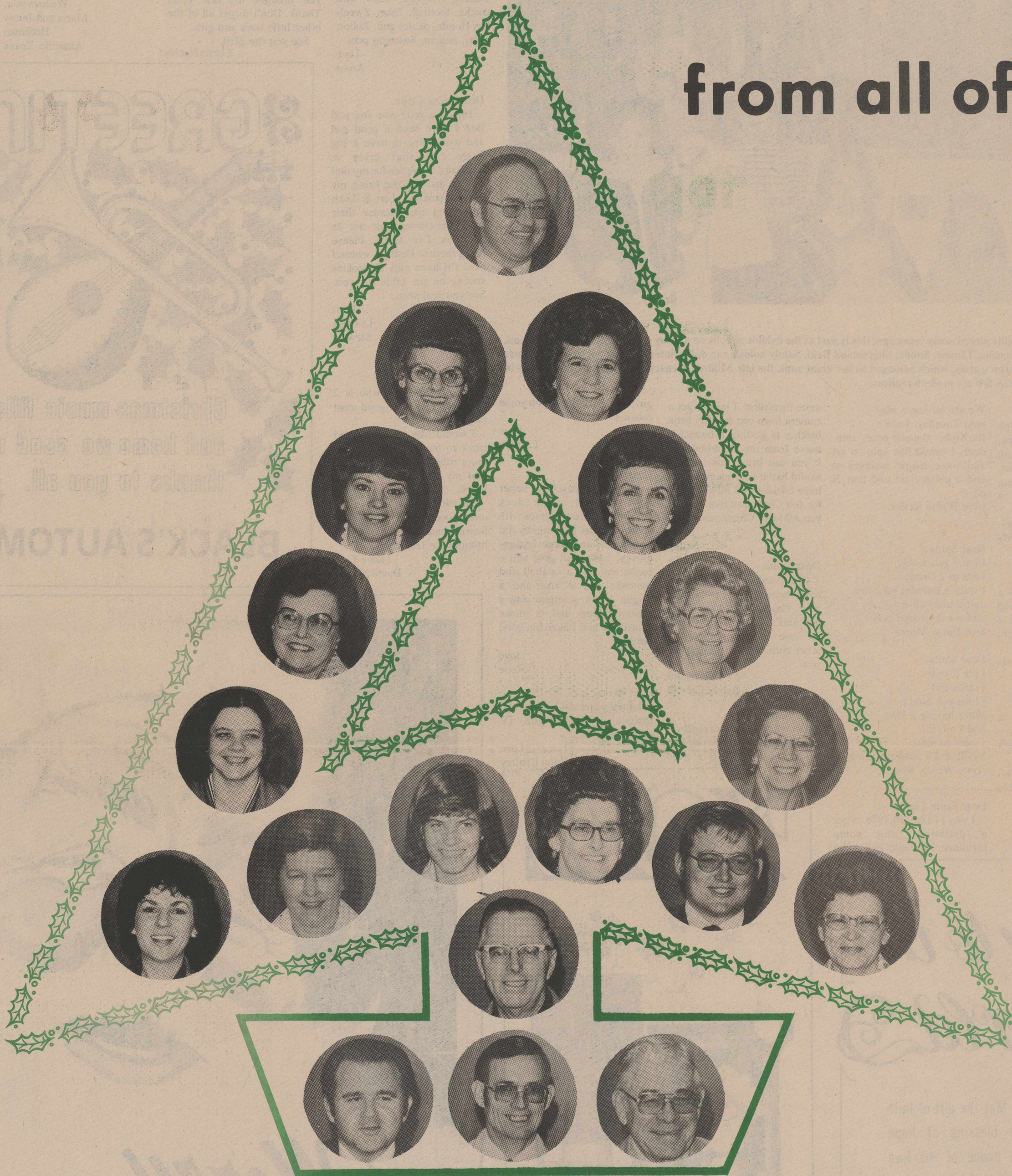
Hope all my friends, young and old, big and small, find gifts of joy filled with love and wrapped with tender caring!

Wellington Butane
Boyd and Ruth

Handlebar Cycle Shop
Robert and Sid

Merry Christmas

from all of us



**You're invited to our
Christmas Open House**

from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday & Friday, Dec. 21 & 22

Enjoy our delicious snacks and let us wish you a Merry Christmas in person. See you then.

Wellington State Bank

"Thank you for the opportunity of serving your banking needs."

Member F.D.I.C.



Joy to All!



All of us at City State Bank extend warmest greetings to our friends and customers at the Christmas season. Our sincere thanks to all of you for your friendship

and for your business during our first year under new ownership. We're looking forward to many more years of service to you.

Richard Fausch

Sandy Morris

June Osuna

Vanita Pull

City State Bank

in Wellington

"Banking is our only business"

Member, F.D.I.C.

Ellet Long

Kim Ward

Connie Seemata

Helen Patterson

Glenn Hernandez

Maudie Clay

June Singler

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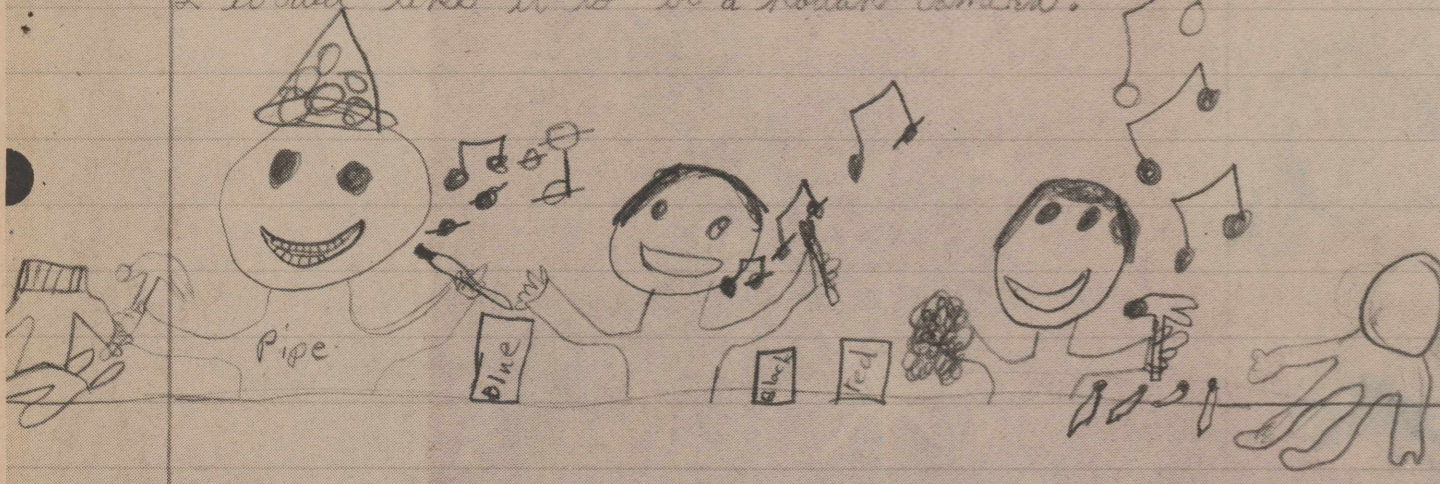
Dear Santa Claus I am 7 years old and I Love Christmas as much as you do Love Eddie

Pual Mote PS Bring me a operation.
Eddie Mote

Wellington School
4th Grade

Dear Santa,

My name is Heather Hendrix, I am eight years old and in fourth grade. I have one sister who is six and her name is Angelle and she is in first grade. I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me a trampoline, a camera, + a balance beam. Mom and dad will not get them for me and please include some film + I would like it to be a Kodak camera.



Chief Elf Packing Santa's Sack

Dear Santa,
I like Christmas day best of all the Christmas season. I have tried to be nice and helpful. I would like to get a camera for Christmas. I have something real nice for my mother. I hope you have a nice Christmas Day Santa!
Truly Yours,
Mike Myrick

fourth grade.
From
Leigh Ann Barton

P.S. I hope you come soon.
Dear Santa,
I like ten-speed best of all the Christmas season. I have tried to be a nice girl and helpful. I want a doll and a typewriter and a camera for Christmas.

Remember all boys and girls.
Love
Robi Lou Mabery

Dear Santa,
I want an organizer and a Sunny Bunch Tote Bag. I have tried to be helpful to others. Santa Clause there will be some cookies and milk. Ho! Ho! and Merry Christmas. I am nine years old I am in the

Dear Santa,
I like snow best of all of

Christmas season. I have tried to be helpful to others. I would like to have an organizer and a bike.
Kaylynn Bartlett
P.S. I am nine years old and I hope you come soon.

Dear Santa,
I would like a bike for Christmas. I like opening presents most of all on the Christmas season. I have tried to be a kind and helpful boy, and I hope you don't forget all the other girls and boys.
Truly Yours,
Jose Lewis Grandos

Dear Santa Claus,
I love you, Santa. I hope that I have been a good girl. What would I do without you.

I would like a Miniwave oven that really works, roller skates, and the doll named Whoopsy.

I hope you like our Christmas tree. We will leave you some cookies and fudge. My name is Sharon Henard. I am 7 years old and I'm in the first grade. I have lots of friends in school that want you to come see them too. Please don't forget my teacher Mrs. Estes, and my 2 little sisters.
I love you,
Sharon Anne Henard

Merry Christmas

and best wishes for the new year.

A & W Welding
Bill Junior Red Craig

Greetings

Remembering friends, old and new, with warmth and appreciation and hoping the horn of plenty brings its bounty to your door!

D.C. Bargain Shop
D'Ett Creed

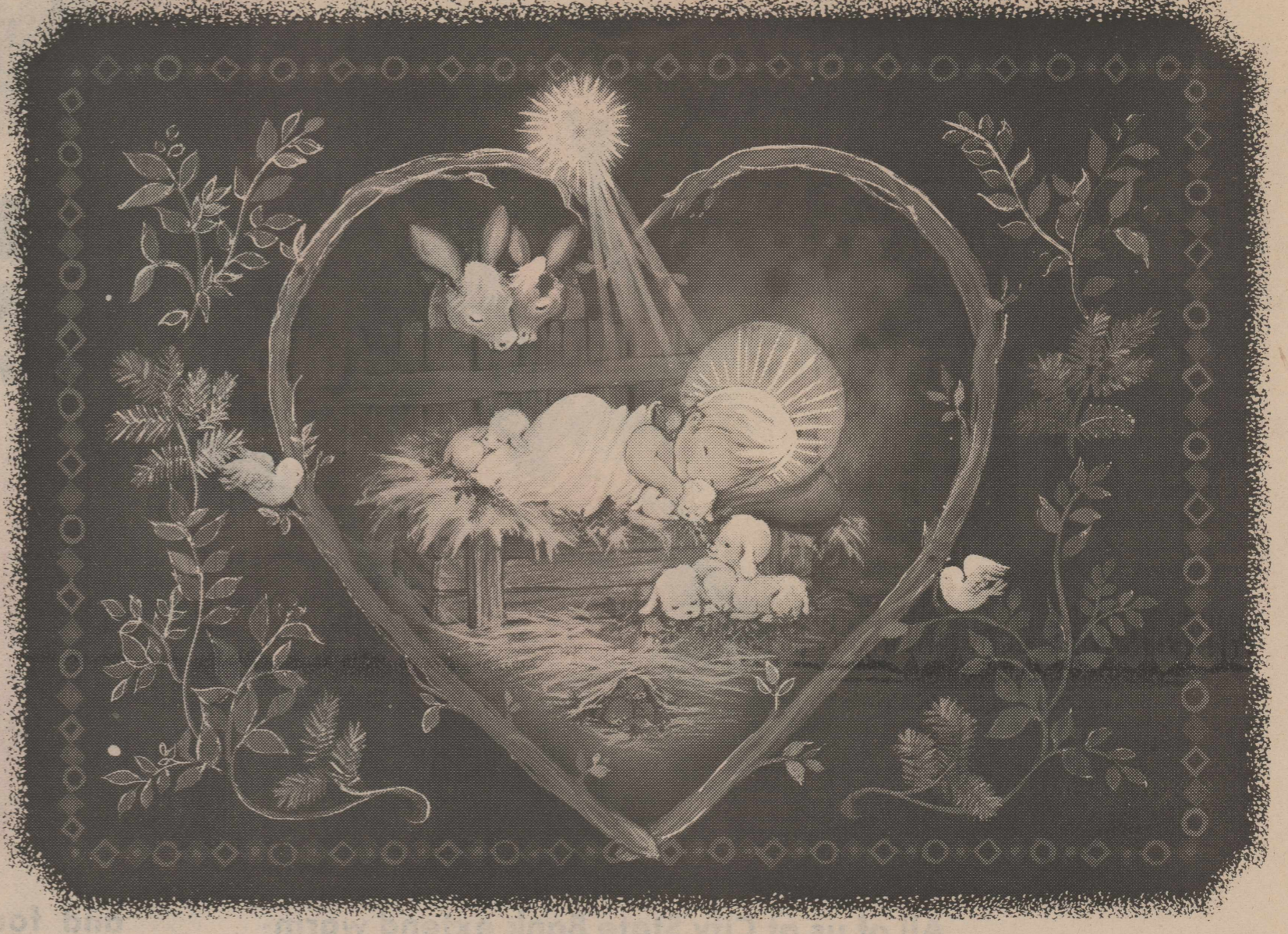
Dear Santa,
I like snow best of all in the Christmas season. I have tried to be helpful and nice. I want a skateboard and a watch and a trampoline and a calculator and I like best of all I want a typewriter. Remember all the boys and girls and all the sick people.
sighed
Stacy Chandler.

Dear Santa,
I want a doll call Barbie
I want a 10-speed
I want a ice cream machine
I want a motor home
I want a easy bake
love Vivian

Dear Santa,
I won't a baton for Christmas and some girls boots and I won't a ten speed I hope and I try to be a good girl and my name is Rose Molina.
Happy Merry Christmas.

Dear Santa,
I like bike best of all the Christmas season. I have tried to be nice and helpful. I want typewriter for Christmas. Trampoline.
Remember all boys, and girls.
Ray Garcia

Silent Night..



Behold! The Child sleeps at peace among the animals. Let us pray for the comfort and inner joy that comes with love and sharing. A blessed, happy Christmas to all.

Wells & Wells

Insurance

Abstracts

Harold Watkins
Dody Smith
Larlou Hays



Jack Sanford
Calvin Hurst

All our wishes for a very, very

Merry Christmas

Pendleton Electric
Dick Margaret
Jennifer Melanie

Dear Santa,
I want a Mickey Mouse-watch and a Big Brid alarmclock, Little Professor Calculator, rollerskates, a oven, recorder, train track, operation game, Perfection game, Max Machine. I will Leave you some cookies and Milk.

Love
Stacey Knoll

samnorwood school good by now Santa.

love
Trina Baker



Dear Santa,
I am 8 years old. My name is Britt. I want a Marklin HO track set T3, diesel locomotive "216", first class passenger car 4091, second class passenger car 4092, and freight car 4093 for my electric train. I'll leave you cookies by the fireplace and sugar cubes for your reindeer.

Love,
Britt Schmidt

Dear Santa,
I would like a ten speed boys bike. I want a tape recorder, I want a trampoline. I will leve you cookies and milk. i have been very good.

Love,
Macina
Kim

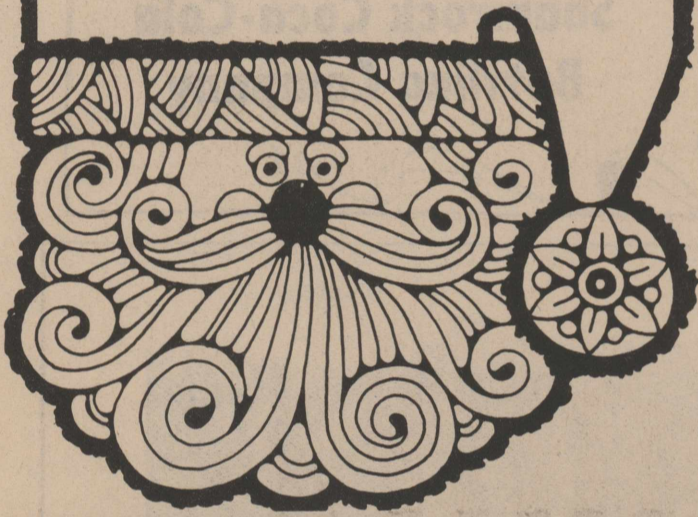
Dear Santa,
I want an swimming pool, barbie a record player 13 records, Santa I've bean a good girl this year I've bean so good that mom let me go to

Dea Santa,
I am 5 years old. Is There snow where you live? I want a green machine, robot and a van.

Love,
Frederic Schmidt

May Santa
make your every
wish come true!

Quail Store
Jessie and Ronald Alston



MY BEST FRIEND

Brian Barton, two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barton, pats the head of the Santa Claus that lives under his Christmas tree during the holiday season: He is also fond of the Poo-Bear decoration on his tree and a bird that warbles all the time.

Dear Santa;
Thank you for all the nice things you gave me last year. I have been good.
I would like a Cat's eye game and a Numbers up game please. Please give Nandy a new blanket and a new dress.
I love you very much, Santa.

Love,
Shelly Thomas

Dear Santa
Thank you for the thinks that I got last year. I have been good. I would like a zillions of dollars. Please give Mrs. Noakes a house.

Greg Martin
Dear Santa;
Thank you for all the nice

things last year. I am going to be good. I want a dancarella Doll and baby wett and care Doll and Charle's Angels and Van. my mother needs new clothes my Father needs new shoes and new boots and dress suit.

Love,
Angie Olba Nevarez

Santa's Polar Workshop
Goes on 24-Hour Schedule

Dear Santa,
I would love for you to bring me a sweet baby doll and a musical jack-in-the box. Thanks for coming to our house.

Love,
Amanda Wood

have a fire Christmas Eve so you can come down the chimney.



Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl, 4 years old. I am a very good girl.

I would really like a Baby Come Back and a Jaws and nite lite.

Remember all the other good little boys and girls.

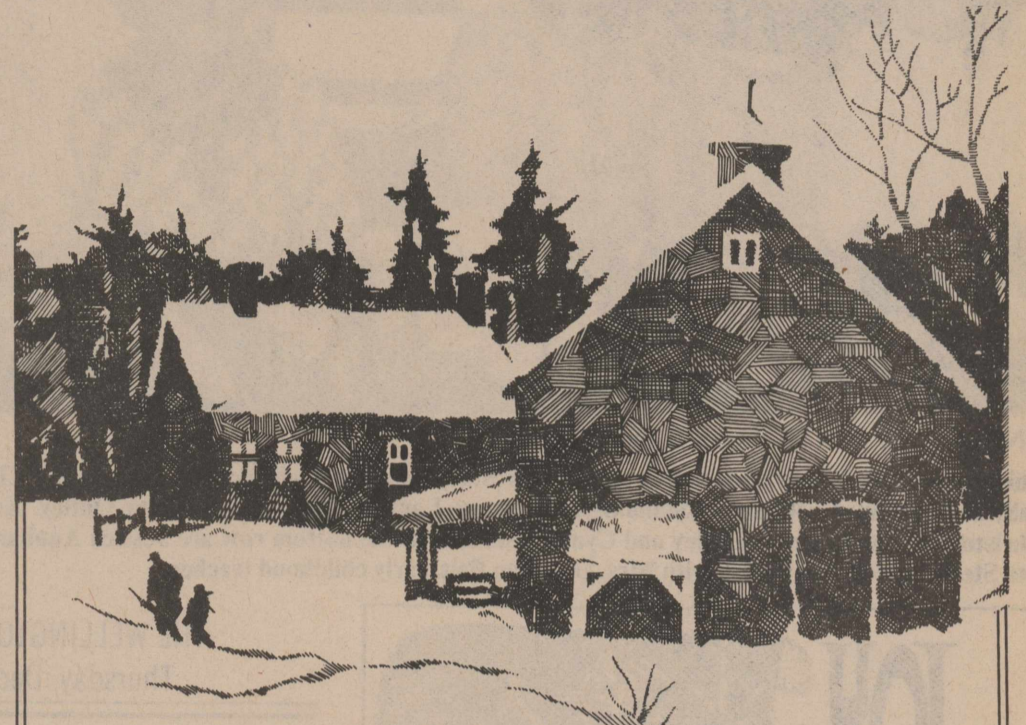
I'll see you at Ma Ma's house.

Love,
Candace Blevins

Dear Santa,
I would like a trampelene, electrictrain, TV video game, clue game, 410 shotgun, a motercycle, gocart, saddle, basket ball and basket ballgoal, coveralls, pellet, and a Santbanard dog. An thank you for all the toys you brought me last year. And If you look under the tree in the night you will find something good to eat. I have been a good boy this year.

Love
Craig Brown

I am 9 year old. And in the 3rd grade.



Season's
Greetings

from our house to yours

The John Wolf Family

MERRY CHRISTMAS
& HAPPY NEW YEAR

We lassoed all our best wishes of the season for all our friends & customers.

Southwestern Rail Products, Inc.

Peace
Love
Joy

Collingsworth County
Farm Bureau



UNDER CITY STATE BANK'S TREE

This group from Community Action visited City State Bank for their picture under its tall Christmas tree, decorated with red balls and sprinkled with snow. Standing at back are Lamont Sterling and Henry Outley. Kneeling are Charlotte McIntosh, Christopher Cantu, Brent Outley and Cynthia Shrubs. In the bottom row are Jessica Aquilar, Shamara Moore, Chris Moore and Stevie Jarrell. They work with Mrs. Don Van Pelt, early childhood teacher.

Lack of Snow Doesn't Worry Santa

Dear Santa

Please bring me a baby alive and a twister game. I am 7 years old. I am in Mrs. Camps room.

I love you Santa.
Love
Carrie

Dear Santa,

I am 6 years old. I want a teddy bear. I want a bicycle. I want a tape player and tapes. I will leave you some cookies.

Love,
Susan
P.S. Tell Rudolph to come see us.

Dear Santa,

I am 7 years old. I want a doll and a bike.

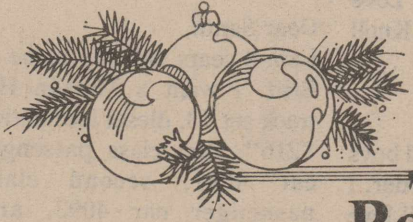
Love,
Esther Garcia

Dear Santa,

I want a race care set, I want the star wars collection, I want two trucks, and I want a watch.

Love Lee

SEASON'S GREETINGS



Here's hoping your holiday is filled with goodness and laced with love.

Roy Horn

Dear Santa,

I have tried to be a nice boy. And I have tried to be helpful. And here's what want for Christmas. Gun star wars watch, RtooDto Pus Button, Thas all I want for Christmas.

P.S. I will set out cookies and milk.

Love
Chris Ray

Dear Santa,

I am 7 years old. I want a Dallas cowboy football suit and a football and a Christmas tree and decorations and a bike and clothes and a Star for the top of the Christmas tree.

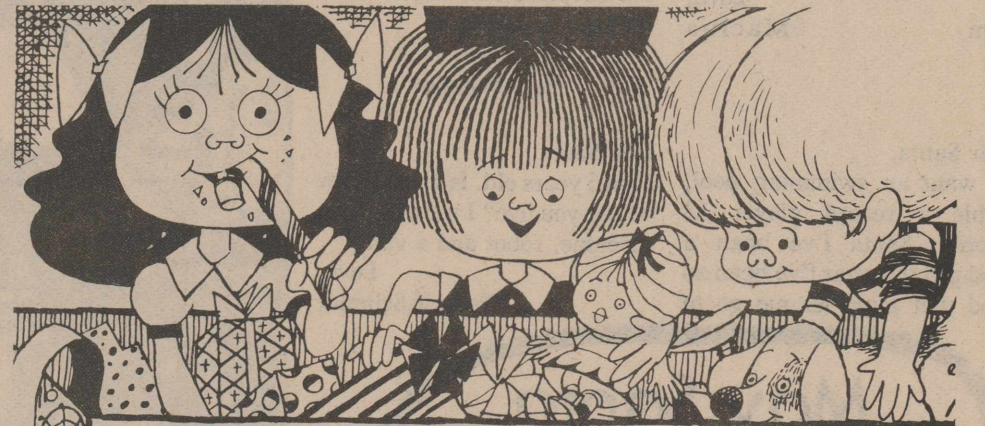
Love
Ruben Garza
P.S. Say hello to Rudolph



Dear Santa,

I am 6 years old. I want a Spider man with a web and a helicopter and a flash light.

Love,
Richie Jenkins



WISHES FOR

Christmas Fun!

FROM

Shamrock Coca-Cola Bottling Company

Dear Santa,

Super Jock Basketball, Two BB gun, race trace, Boxing Glove, car and trucks, Bigs; footBall, Super Jock, Baseball, Bike, Two Pedlet gun, Tree weller, Honda, Mocantoll Rollbot, Canma, puppy, pool, 4 Gage, 22.

Love
Eddie Garza
I Love you from Sanmorwood

Dear Santa,

I am 6 years old. I want fooball, Belt, train. Tell Rudolph hi Santa.

Love
Paul Bell

THE WELLINGTON (TEXAS) LEADER

Thursday, December 21, 1978

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Dear Santa,

I am a little boy only 13 months old. I have been a good boy all year long and this year I'm helping my mommy get ready for Christmas. I love the Christmas tree and all the lights and especially the packages that I can't play with. Please bring me anything you think I would like. I love you Santa.

Love,
Timothy Hightower
Dodson, Texas

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a record player. And some records to go with the record player.

I am 10 years old. Thank You for every thing.

Love
Trudy Baker

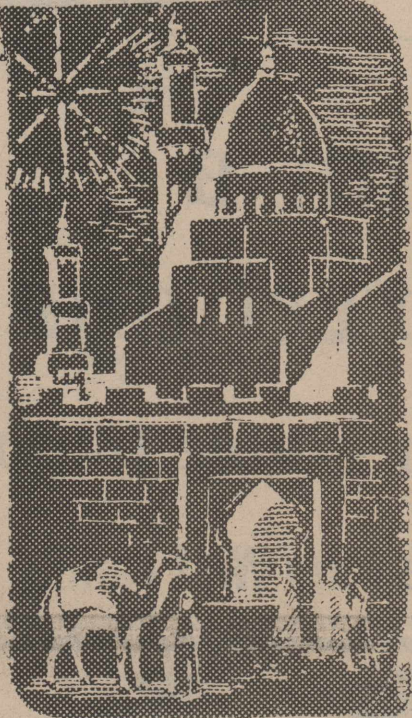
Deat Santa

Please bring me a Baby Beth. and a snoopy dog. I need a lunch box too I am in kindergarten I wrote this myself.

Love
Dana

Joy at Christmas

May Christmas be your gateway to happiness and fulfillment. As you experience its divine rapture we express sincere gratitude.



Fabric & Ready to Wear
Loretta Ingram

Merry Christmas
To all of you;
From all of us
at WTU



PEACE

Our Wish for the Christmas Season is Peace and Goodwill to everyone. That is the spirit and the meaning of Christmas which celebrates the birth of the Prince of Peace. Have a Happy and Holy Holiday.

Guy Owens Funeral Home

Guy and Juanita

Santa Says Sleigh Load the Biggest He Can Remember

Dear Santa Clause;
I am a little boy 21 months old. I can't write too good yet so I'm telling my mommy what

to say. I have tried to be a good little boy this year, but sometimes it's awful hard. Especially during church! But

I's trying harder all the time. For Christmas, I would like for you to bring me a train, a tractor, a combine, and a car

that really goes by itself. If you have any extra room, I would also like something to pull behind my tractor.

Be sure not to forget mommy and daddy and all my Grandmas, and Grandpas, and all the other little boys and girls all over the world.

I'll try to wait until you get here, but mommy probably won't let me stay up that late.

I love you,
Scooter Gully

Dear Santa,

I would like a star wars "Death Star Space Station." I have tried real hard to be nice. I will not be in Wellington I'll be in Seymour, Tx. At Carl Snyder-Electric and Supply. I hope you have a merry Christmas.

Your friend
Jeff Powell

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Kimi Henard. I am 4 years old. I sure would like to see your sleigh and reindeers with all of the toys. I have a new chimney for you to come down this year.

I would like to have a Baby Wet 'n Care, a snowcone maker and a typewriter.

I have tried real hard to be a good girl. I have a big sister and a little sister. They want you to come see them too. I made you some cookies and I will leave them and some milk out for you.

I love you,
Kimberlee Marie Henard

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Robin Henard. I am 1 year old. This is my first real Christmas and I think I am going to like it. I have been a pretty good girl.

I want a baby snuggles, taking phone and a riding horse.

I have two big sisters. They have been good girls. They want you to come see them too.

I love you,
Robin Zee Henard

610 East Cedar Street
Lamar, Colorado 81052

Dear Santa Claus,

Remember me? I am 3 1/2 years old, and I live in Lamar, Colorado. And guess what? My little sister Dallas Diane is new this year. This is her first Christmas.

Please bring her a doll, a pull toy, and a ski suit.

Please bring me a real live puppy, a gun, a basketball, and a truck. Also if you have some clothes to fit me, bring them.

Don't forget Grandmother Ownbey and Aunt Myrtle who live in Vilas, Colorado, Uncle Bower in Vilas, Colorado, Papa and Memaw Hubbard in Amarillo, Texas along with Jennifer, Chris, Misty and Craig and Gramps and Nana Cousins in Skellytown, Texas, and all my other relatives and friends.

I love you,
J.C. Cousins

P.S. Mom and Dad say that I have been a good boy (most of the time). Don't forget them. I enjoyed your telephone call. Did it cost a lot to call from the North Pole?



Dear Santa,

I like toys best of all the Christmas. I have tried to be nice and helpful. I want a Max Van for Christmas and Remember all the boys and girls.

A.J. Forrester

Dear Santa,

I like a toy truck best of all the Christmas season. I have tried to be nice and

helpful. I want a watch and bicke for Christmas. Remember all boys, and girls.
Adam Granados

twister I love Santa Love Soni Kay Clement

Dear Santa Claus, I am Janie and I want a baby rash and a Fuzy pumper. Thats all I want please.

love
Janie
Lewis

Dear Santa Claus, I want a tape player, Thank you. Rachelle Lorene Ford

Dear Santa Claus, I'd like a Star Wars watch an a

Dear Sant Claus, I want a trampoline and a Mr. mouth. For Christmas. Jonny Settle.

Dear Santa Claus, I am a little girl in the second grade. Please bring me Fuzy Pumper and Operation. I love you Santa, Jodie Hunnicutt.

Dear Santa I love you I want a doll for Chrismas
love Raquel Neeley

Dear Santa, I like opening presents best of all on Christmas. I have tried to be nice and helpful. I want a Cindy Doll and her Bedroom and a Max Machine and a Mickey Mouse Typewriter.

With Love, Penny Wilkins
4th grade 1704 Ellison Street
Mrs Carter Wellington Texas
79095



Wishing you
Peace, Love and
Happiness
Throughout the
Holiday Season

Jimmie & Lucille Kelso

May your road be smooth
and your fortunes wide,
And those you love be at your side.

In the holiday's finest tradition
we extend warm wishes and sincere
thanks for your continuing faith and trust.



Merry
Christmas

DAVIS GIN
Dodson

Ozada & Grover Graham

June Norman

All the Gin Crew

Christmas
Greetings

Thank you for your business
during the past year.

Wellington Lumber
Jeff Kay Scott Jimmy Howard

No Competition From Snowmobiles, Santa's Reindeer Team Assured

Dear Sante,
I want a Merklin set T3, train 216, 1 kass passenger trailer, 2 kass passenger trail, lunch trailer.

Love, Britt

Dear Santa,
I would like a Barbie, Barbie motor home,
I would like the game of Life, Blup, Merland, I would also like a tape recorder.

I want a Holly Hobbie radio, Holly Hobbie lamp
Christmas is near.
Andra

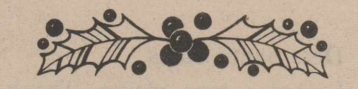
Dear Santa
I want a 78 corvette with a high speed cam and side pipes and spoke mags.
I also want a ping pong table.

I want a four wheel drive picup with a crome role bar.

Steve

Dear Santa,
I want a remote control corvette, and I want a remote control, 18 wheeler, cattle truck and I want a pro football and I want a show calf and I want a horse and I want a whole bunch of thing.

Dudley



Dear Santa,
I want a max machine and I want star wars and stretch armstrong and I want race track and evel caneவில், and a six million doller man

James Sherwood

Dear Santa
I wont Dallas Cowboy suit. And a pink panther.

James Reynolds

3103 S. Hill
Amarillo, Tx. 79103

Dearest Santa and Mrs. Claus,
I am a little girl almost four years old, and my name is Misty D'ionne Hubbard. I have a little brother who was one in September whom you met last year. His name is Robert Craig Hubbard.

I attend East Amarillo Montessori School.

Please bring my brother a mini-wheels, Bugs Bunny Jack-in-the-box, a helicopter and a football. Also a gun.

Please bring me a doll house, a record player, stove

and sink, a Baby This and That a pantsuit and some candy.

Oh yes, Santa, I can say the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag without missing a word.

We love you both,
Misty and Robert Craig Hubbard

P.S. Dad says he would like to have his cousins home for Christmas. Could you send Pete Jr., Carol, J.C. and Dallas Diane home for Christmas? Momma would like a few days off from work.

Please don't forget Papa dn Memaw Hubbard, Granny, Memaw Betty, and all the other grandparents.

Dear Santa,
My name is Heather Hendrix. I am eight years old and in fourth grade. I have one sister who is six and her name is Angell and she is in first grade. I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me a trampoline, a camera, & a balace beam. Mom and dad will not get them for me and please included some film & I would like it to be a kodak camera.

Heather Hendrix

Dear Santa,
I would like Girder and panel building set, and I would like a Pay day game. I think I've been pretty good. But I have made some people mad, but so what!

Remember every body Santa.

Wesley Reeves

Dear Santa,
I like opening presents best of all on Christmas. I have tried to be nice and helpful. I want a Cindy Doll and her Bedroom and a Max Machine and a Mickey Mouse Type-writer.

With Love,
Penny Wilkins
4th grade, Mrs. Carter
1704 Ellison Street
Wellington, Texas
79095

Dear Santa Claus.
I am little girl in the second grade. I o is toy. bl. Debra Colwell



1304 Dalhart
Wellington, Tx. 79095
December 5, 1978

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a 'Lil fellow seventeen months old this year and even though I would not visit with you in downtown Wellington I am still in hopes of some gifts for Christmas.

I would love to have a Rawhide Wonder Horse; Bugs Bunny See 'n Say Talking Phone and a large dump truck.

To find a package of M&M's and a banana in my Christmas stocking would be a delight too.

Please remember all the other 'Lil boys and girls with a Merry Christmas.

Sincerely,
Clay Porter

Dear Santa;
Thank you for all the nice things I got last christmas. my mother would like a purse and my dad would like a watch. and my brother would like a R2 D2 model and my sister would like a watch. And my friend Rodrick would like 5¢ and my other friend Clay would like some cars with a rase trak. And I would like a spede burner.
From: Mark TO Santa
I love you very much.

Dear Santa
Claus I
wold lick to have a
a bike
Love Fred Duke

Dear Santa;
Thank you for all the toys last year. I have been pretty good this year. I want boots for Xmas I hope you do it for me.

My sister and I would like very much to have some boots for christmas.
I love you very much.
Love Sharri Bailey

Dear Santa I wish I had a football for christmas And a b b gun and a baseball bat.
Benny Encinio

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Merry Christmas

Glad tidings and warmest greetings!
We're wishing you nothing but the best. We're happy to have you for our friends!

Roberson's Restaurant

Zeb Pat Shannon Debbie

A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

At this worshipful season we pray that you will share the delights of it's quiet wonder and everlasting beauty. For the kindness you've shown us... thanks.

BROWN'S PAINT & BODY SHOP
John and Ina Brown

Christmas bells ring out filling the countryside with love and happiness. May their majestic sounds usher in a wonderful and very **MERRY CHRISTMAS** for you and your family.

HATCH DRY GOODS

Bill Zelda Goldie Eunice Geneva Golda Pearl

MERRY MERRY CHRISTMAS

Christmas opens our eyes and hearts to the truly beautiful and meaningful treasures of Life. As you share warm and loving hours with those you cherish most, we wish you a season of beautiful Christmas moments... beautiful holiday memories. Thanks from our house to yours.

LYMAN'S AUTOMOTIVE
Lyman, Sondra, Renee, Ginger, Doug Larry

North Pole Mechanics Make Final Check of Santa's Sleigh Today

Dear Santa,
My name is Kimberly and I am seven years old. My brothers name is Kelly, and he is three. For Christmas, would you please bring me a Snuggles Doll, typewriter, and a Lassie record. Kelly would like a Tonka truck, and anything else you think he might like. Please remember all the other girls and boys.

Love,
Kimberly & Kelly
Gonzales
Amarillo, Tx.

horse, and anything else you want to leave.
Please don't forget my sister, Sherry, that lives in Amarillo. My cousins Shannon, Shane, Amanda & Heath. Also my papa Leo, Granny, papa Leonard, mama, & grandma. And all the other little girls & boys.

Love ya,
Stormy Dawn Throne
P.S. Please don't forget Aunt Peggy she lives in Lubbock this year.

Dear Santa,
I'm a little 15 month old girl so my mother is writing for me. I've tried to be good the best I know how.
All I want is a baby doll, a ball, tractor, book, a riding

Dear Santa,
I hope you think I'm a good girl because I want a typewriter, tape recorder I can not think of another thing. I hope you think I'm good girl?

Love you,
Rusty



HERE COMES CHRISTMAS

Anita Armstrong has a cuddly Poo-Bear and a monkey, and it isn't even Christmas. Tongue in cheek, she sits under her very own Christmas tree. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Armstrong and was one year old December 9. She moved to Wellington with her family when she was just a few weeks old.

Dear Santa,
I hope you can bring me a ten speed boys bike 24 inch and latch hook. I have been a good girl this year. I am 9 years old. Don't forget my sister Karla.

Love
Kim Morris

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. I want a baby and bike.

Love
Karla Michelle Morris
P.S. Would you tell Rudolph hello. Hello to you. I will leave some cookies and milk. I love you.

Dear Santa,
My name is Keri Ann Moorhouse and I am three years old. My sister and I have really tried to be good little girls this year.
I would like to have a Dancerella doll, a table and chairs and some games. Also, anything else you think Amy and I need.
I will be at Granny and Big Daddy's in Wellington for Christmas. Please remember

my grandparents and all my cousins. Also, please remember all the other little boys and girls.

I love you,
Keri Ann Moorhouse

Dear Santa,
I sure did like the toys you gave me last year.

This year I am 6 years old and much bigger.
Would you please bring me a Baby this and that, Activity Desk, Hippy Hop, and Super Star Barbie Stage Show.
I will leave you some cookies and milk on the lamp table.
Don't forget my friends Doug, Dana, Julie, Brenda, Amy, Jody, Amanda, Jennifer, Sheila and Lesa.
See you soon
Love, Angie Lacy

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Merry Christmas to all

We're teaming up with Santa to bring you a host of happy holiday dreams come true... and our thanks.



Triple D Appliance & Electric
Dallas Denise Dusty

All of us at Wellington Florist want to take time during the busy holiday season to say "Thank you" for your support this year and to send our wishes for the happiest holiday season and a bright new year.

Wellington Florist
Cecil and Alliene Shanks
Don and Peggy Hendrix



The wintry world in all its splendor brings memories of Christmases past: the bright days, the cheery nights, the yule fires burning. May all the joys of this special season be yours this Christmas.

Billy
Bessie
Jeff
Maria

LANGFORD CONOCO
CONOCO

Jim
Betty
Connie
Eddie

We hope the glowing Spirit of Christmas will brighten every day of your holiday and its holy light always shine in your heart. Thanks to all.

Butler's Locker Plant

Dewey Shirley Debra
Rosemary Preacher Prajendez

HAPPY HOLIDAYS



Good friends, warm fires, words of love exchanging! Bring
near to the happy heart Christmastime's true meaning!

SEASON'S GREETINGS TO OUR FRIENDS

Cherokee Inn Restaurant

Bob, Chris, Karen, Kelly

We will be closed
Saturday, December 23 through January 1.
We will reopen Tuesday, January 2.