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Fayteen Peeples—Texas Farm Bureau Queen

Fayteen Peeples, here wearing her crown as Texas Farm Bureau Queen, returned last week from Chicago where she was a special guest at th National Farm Bureau Convention. She was introduced from the convention stage, and was a honored guest at a number of events. "It was all a big dream come true," she says. It had been proposed that she appear on the Welcome Travelers radio program, but the sponsors explaned that they tried to use people with sad or heart-touching experiencs. "All of my experiences have been happy," Fayteen pointed out to them. What lovelier Christmas present can any county in Texas wish than to have the Farm Bureau Queen?

Winners of C-C Christmas Lighting Contest Announced

The Fashion Shop and the home of Dr. and Mrs. E. K. Jones placed first in the two divisions of the Christmas decoration contest sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, Mrs. Walter Winters, secretary, has announced.

Other business houses winning prizes with the Fashion Shop were The Leader Department Store, second, Hatch Dry Goods, third, Honorable mention went to Kelso Funeral Home.

Winners of the first three places had merchandising displays. The Kelso Funeral Home displayed a lighted Santa Clause and his reindeer on the lawn in front of the home.

Placing with the home of Dr. and Mrs. Jones were those of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Peeples, second; and Mr. and Mrs. D. C. McKinney, third. Lighting displays were used in these.

Honorable mention went to the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Sandy Parsons Jr., using a "Merry Christmas" greeting display; Drs. Tom and Darlene Hunter, with choir boys silouetted across a picture window; and Mr. and Mrs. Ca' Sugg, with a life-sized Santa Claus spot lighted on their porch.

The judges were a committee of three from Shamrock, headed by Mrs. J. W. Gooch.

Handley, Leggitt Designed Star

Wellington Christmas Star, revolving for its 15th year was designed by Bura Handley, the City Manager, while the late Monk Leggitt designed the mechanism that makes ot turn.

Buck Hankins, now of Azle, wrote that he furnished the revolving part, but had forgotten who came to his shop with the idea. "Anyway, I helped with that part of it," he added.

Mr. Handley, recalling the making of the star, said that two old steering gears were geared up to a little motor. Some parts were made, and the whole thing set up on the court house.

The fact that it revolved was a mystery to most people, and the City got a number of inquiries from officials of other towns asking how it was done.

The first star was of wood, but that eventually wore out and last year it was duplicated in a permanent steel frame, made by Griff Finley.

Ranger Students Praised by Dean

Two former Skyrocket Football, who played this season with the Ranger Rangers, came in for praise from the administration of Ranger Junior College recently. The two are Tommy Woods, and Farrell Kent.

"Tommy was a regular quarter back on the Rangers team this year and as such was second in passing in the conference," wrote R. L. Willis, dean of the college. "He completed 35 of the 76 passes attempted. The Rangers are in the tough Pioneer Conference where a person has to be good to remain on the team.

He is a member of the Rope and Spur, International Relations Club and Peregrinity Clubs. He is co-sports editor of our annual. He will come out for the sprints and relays in the spring. Tommy Lettered as a freshman in football at West Texas State College last year.

"Farrell was a starting tackle on the Rangers team this year, and he was one of the reasons why team was second on defense for the season. Farrell lettered as a freshman on the West Texas State Team last year. He is a member of the Rope and Spur, Peregrinity, and International Relations Club"

SMU Exes See Football Film

Southern Methodist University Exes met Thursday, December 17 to watch a color film of the 1951 SMU Notre Dame football game, featuring Fred Benners passing.

Frank Anderson was in charge of showing the film.

Cities In Proposed Dam Area To Report Needs

Cities interested in the construction of a dam across Salt Fork near the Collingsworth - Donley county line, must be able to prove that such a project is feasible, a bond attorney told representatives of these towns in a meeting at Memphis Friday night, December 18.

This was one of a series of meetings that are being held in an effort to make the dam a reality.

Mr. Crowe, representing the law firm of McCall, Parkhurst and Crowe, bond attorneys, advised the men from Memphis, Clarendon, Hedley, Wellington, Childress, Quanah and Paducah, that they can expedite the steps to be taken in the organization of a water district by providing for the secretary of the Greenbelt Water association by January 1, information as to the water consumption and demands of their towns and other data, from which it can be determined if the dam across Salt Fork would pay out.

This has been the contention of Bura Handley, Wellington's representative, from the beginning, and it was emphasized strongly by Mr. Crowe in his Friday night talk.

Later in the meeting, the representatives voted that each community appont a representative and alternate to be approved by the city council to act as the offical representatives of the communities. This council would be empowered to act in an official capacity.

"We are knitting together our organization, which up to now has been rather loose," Mr. Handley said.

Earlier, the State Board of Water Engineers granted a renewal of water rights to the association and permission to construct the dam.

In one of the frist meetings, on the advice of bond specialists, the name "Salt Fork" was dropped and the officials title of Greenbelt Municipal and Industrial Water Association was adopted.

"The name "Salt Fork" itself will be against you when you go out to sell your bonds," one bond specialists told the group.

Much interest has been shown in the project on the part of bond specialists and representatives of bond purchasers.

The water impounded by the dam would, so far as it has been outlined at present, be used for domestic consumption by the towns in the water district. A limited amount of irrigation might come from it.

The water available, however, will be four times as much as the expected consumption by the towns, and the Greenbelt Group has been advised to go out and find industrial users for the water.

"A Big Dream Come True"

Fayteen Peeples Home From Farm Bureau Meet

Collingsworth's Fayteen Peeples, crowned Queen of the Texas Farm Bureau, won the spotlight in the National convention in Chicago last week.

"This was a big dream come true!" she's telling friends now that she is back home. She was accompanied on the trip by her mother.

Although any state that wished to do so could have sent a Queen to the convention, Tex. was the only one that offered an all-expense trip— so Fayteen was the one state queen who was present. Delighted National Farm Bureau officials introducted her as a guest of honor at all the major meetings and banquets and showed her Chicago.

She shared the stage with Allen Kline, president of the National Farm Bureau at the Chicago Opera Building, and met the many out standing speakers on the program.

Arriving Sunday, Fayteen and her mother went sight seeing, then Monday morning she appeared on the Breakfast Club radio program.

In addition to the Farm Bureau meetings, a banquet was held Monday evening. During the sight seeing tours for the remainder of their stay, among points of interest were a visit to the Board of Trade, the Museums of History, and the Museum of Natural Science and Industry, and Marshall Field Department Store, world, famous for its Christmas decorations.

They attended the hit musical comedy, "Wish You Were Here," which went on the road after 75 weeks on Broadway. Other events included the Editors banquet and the annual dance.

Telling her friends over and over how nice everyone was to her, Fayteen and her mother hurried home nevertheless. Fayteen especially wanted to sing in the Quail School Cantata Friday night. A senior in high school, she had sung in the cantatas for the last three year. Friday night's Cantata is the last one she will have the chance to be in. That was a high point for Fayteen, too.

C. R. Preuit Hurt in Wreck

C. R. Preuit received an injured left leg and painful bruises Thursday evening, December 17, when his car crashed into the back of a trailer loaded with cotton burs, pulled by a tractor driven by Sam Koen, Sheriff Claude McKinney reported.

The accident occured about 6.30 p. m. a mile and a half north of town.

Sheriff McKinney said Mr. Preuit told him he did not see the trailer ahead of him.

There was considerable damage to the trailer, the sheriff reported, but as Mr. Preuit was driving slowly, damage to his car did not appear to be heavy. He was taken to the home of his daughter and son-in-law, Mr .and Mrs. Cicero Gulley in Wellington ,and later entered St. Joseph's Hospital for treatment. Mr. Preuit was released and returned to his home Monday evening.

Jameson, Phillips Win

Rocket Boxers Fight on Television Show Sat.

By DON SCOTT

Wellington was represented at Amarillo Saturday night, on the Big Four Bixing Program, over television by Duggie Jameson, Bobby Davis, and Gary Phillips. Duggie Jameson, the stand out of the regional Golden Gloves last Winter, met Johnny Cruz of the Borden's Club in the 118 lb. division. Gary Phillips, featherweight from Wellington, went into the ring to meet Wo Joe, a Chinese-American and Davis tangled with Charles Rodriquez, also from Borden's.

Gary Phillips' fight with Wo Joe was the first match on the card. Phillips immediately took the top hand by staggering Wo Joe several times. The second round took the same course and the fight was stopped in the middle of the round to give Phillips a T. K. O.

Duggie Jameson's fight was

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Local Support, Publicity Essential

C-C Directors Hear How Chillicothe Got $17,000,000 Fertilizer Plant

A group of Chillicothe business and professional men told directors of the Wellington Chamber of Commerce Wednesday night, December 16, how their town attracted a $17,000,000 nitrate fertilizer plant, and they offered to go even farther in showing local men the proceedure that was necessary for them to get the plant.

Spokesman for the group was Henry Brandon. The men came here at the invitation of Jimmie Lee, vice-president of the City State Bank and active Chamber of Commerce member.

Mr. Brandon's suggestions boiled down to two things. There must be local men who are willing to work on such a project, and the town must publicize its natural resources and let industry of the East know what it has to offer.

He suggested organization of a Chamber of Commerce Industrial planning committee to do this, and that they go to work and analyze what the town has in the way of natural resources and determine what type of industry be best adapted here.

The Chillicothe project actually was begun by the Lions Club. The Lone Star Gas Company assisted in making the industrial survey. Extensive publicity on the work of the club was carried by the Chillicothe Valley News and this was picked up by Associated Press and carried in the metropolitan dalies of the state.

So extensive has been the puglicity that Eastern capital has volunteered to help finance the project.

The project itself was attracted, after publicity in the Texas dailies by a series of classified ads in The Dallas News, telling what Chillicothe had to offer an industry.

Wellington businessmen have

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Bobwhites Win Second in Hedley Invitation Tourney

The Quail Quails and Bobwhites recently participated in the Hedley Invitation Tournament, with the girls going to the finals, only to lose out to Lelia Lake 47 to 41. The boys lost their initial game.

The Bobwhites drew Memphis as their first competetion and won 55 to 37. Quail led the entire game, with scores at the quarter periods reading 11 to 3; 28 to 12; and 43 to 26. Erma Farris was high scorer of the game with 26 points for the Bobwhites. Nancy Stephens got 17. Lois Cofer made 19 point for Memphis and Betty Hickey 16.

In the semi-finals the Bobwhites met Hedley and won 52 to 34 Again they led the entiregame, with scores at the quarter 9 to 3, 23 to 5, 31 to 15, and 52 to 34. Charlene Sargent of Hedley was high scorer with 19 points and Jean Bailey was next with 15. Martha Johnson and Nancy Stephens each got 12 points for Quail, and Mary Jo Phipps and Erma Farris 11 each.

The girls lost the finals to Lelia Lake 41 to 47, but received second place tournament trophy.

The game was tight most of the time, with Lelia Lake maintaining narrow leads at the quarter time, 12 to 8, 27 to 26. and 40 to 33. with 20 points and Nancy Stephens Martha Johnson was high scorer got 9 for Quail. Bobby Richey scored 18 for Hedley and Sue Seago 15.

The Quails lost their first game to Carey trailing by a narrow mar-

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Norwood Eagle Steps Up

Overcast Picked as Starter For West Texas Buffaloes

Lawrence Overcast, fine sophomore froward from Samnorwood, will be in the starting lineup for the West Texas State Buffs when they tie into national champion Southwest Missouri in the first night of the West Texas Christmas Doubleheaders December 28-29.

The 6'2 former Samnorwood all starter has made great progress at his new post and has come up with a battery of good shots.

Other teams participating in the Doubleheaders other than Southwest missouri and West Texas are Hamline University of St. Paul, Minnesota, and Texas Tech. Games will be nightly at 7:30 and 9 o'clock.

Hamline will face Texas Tech at 7:30 o'clock December 29 to get the two-night holiday treat underway. West Texas will take on the champion Southwest Missouri club at 9 o'clock.

December 29 will find Southwest Missouri and Hamline doing a national title replay at 7:30 o'clock with bitter rivals Tech and West Texas clashing at 9.

Last year's doubleheaders were a tremendous success with West Texas Tech, New Mexico and Pepperdine of Los Angeles furnishing the show.

However, this year's fine card is due to bring capacity crowds of 4,000 each night to see the games. Advance ticket sales have been the heaviest in West Texas State history.

Aside from offering well-trained and well-drilled clubs, the Doubleheaders will bring into act-

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Christmas in Hawaii

Dodson Man and English Bride Overcome Air Force Red Tape

That Senior Warrant Officer and Mrs. Max Crowder are spending their Christmas together in Hawaii, instead of on opposite sides of the world, is the right climax to the more than usual number of unusual occurances from the day they met on a train between London and Oxford.

WO Crowder is a former Dodson man, the brother of Mrs. Hardy Wright of Wellington and Ed Crowder of Dodson, and son of Mrs. J. H. Motley of Hollis.

His wife is the former Marjorie Foster, a London model.

She visited members of her husband's family here a short time ago, while waiting for permission to join him in Honolulu.

This was her second trip to Dodson and Hollis. Following their marriage in Washington D. C. May 24, they came here, believing that she would be able to accompany her husband to his new post in Hawaii.

But his orders were changed and his new assignment was Johnston Island, where there are no facilities for the families of service men. Majorie, after a visit here, went back to London.

But by the time Crowder reached Honolulu — there'd been another change of orders. He'd be stationed in Hawaii, as was originally planned.



A lovely blond girl, with a keen sense of humor, she admits that their meeting and marriage was rather unusual.

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The Draft Law and Regulations

Every man registered with a draft board, after his classification is determined by the board, must have an opportunity to appear in person before the member or members of the board designated for the purpose, provided he files a written request within 10 days after the board has mailed him a notice of classification.

Brig. Gen. Paul L. Wakefield, state draft director, points to an exception. The registered fan can not request a personnel appearance after a classification which is the result of a personnal appearance.

No person other than the registered man shall have the Right to appear in person before the local board. But the local board, in its discretion, may permit any person to appear before it with or on behalf of a registrant, except that no registrant may be represented before the board by anyone acting as attorney or legal counsel.

The registrant may bring an interpreter with him if he does not speak English adequately.

When he appears, the registrant may discuss his classification, direct attention to other classes in which he thinks he should be placed, point out information in his file which he believes has been overlooked or which he believes has not received serious enough consideration, or any other information.

Such information must either be in writing, or oral and summarized in writing. In either case, the information is placed in the man's file.

Regulations provide that the local board, or member or members hearing the case may impose such limitations upon the time which the registrant may have for his appearance as they deem necessary.

After a registrant is heard, the local board may determine to reopen the case or not reopen it, being guided by information received in the appearance. The registrant must be advised by notice of classification in either case.

The rights of men registered with a draft board are guarded by appeal regulations. Appeals from local board decisions are heard by four state appeal boards.

Both the national and state directors of Selective Service may appeal from the determination of a local board at any time.

A man registered with a board, any person claims to be his dependent, his employer under certain circmustances, and others may appeal to the appeal board from any classification except a determination of physical or metal condition.

The registered man and others named in the above paragraph, in most cases, are allowed only 10 days from date a notice of classification is mailed to file the appeal. Regulations allow a longer period, from 30 to 60 days, when the man is in certain U. S. territories, foreign countries, or on the high seas.

The local board may allow appeals beyond these time limits if it is satisfied that the failure of the person within the period was due to lack of understanding or to some cause beyond control of the person.

The person who desires to appeal must file written notice with the board. The notice need not be in any particular form but must state the registrant's name, and identity of person appealing. If a registrant is registered with a Texas board and is working or living in California, for example he may appeal to a California appeal board if he wishes.

If the registrant is placed in a class available for military service (1-A) by the appeal board, and there is a dissenting vote, he may appeal to the President of the United States.

Never use lighted candles on your Christmas tree, or around other flammable decorations.



Fresno-Pleasant Point

By Mrs. C. A. Kesler

Min. and Mrs. Greenwood of Allanreed were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Buss King Sunday, December 13.

Mrs. C. A. Kesler attended the Christmas party of Mrs. G. A. Richards Sunday School Class as guest of Mrs. Richards.

Mrs. H. E. Wynn is working at the Variety Store on the West side of the square in Wellington.

The Fresno Womans Society of Christian Service had their Christmas Program and Christmas tree in the home of Mrs. S. E. Elmore and Mother Ketchum Wednesday. Attending were Mrs. G. A. Richards from Cross Roads, Mrs. J. A. Killian, Mrs. Hayden Williams, Mrs. John Aaron, Mrs. Wilton Ketchum, Mrs. C. A. Kesler, Mrs. W. A. Morrow, Mrs. Frank Elmore, Jerry and Barbara. Delicious cake and spiced tea were served as refreshments and Santa Claus found everyone present.

We had a real interesting Bible study Wednesday evening at the Fresno Methodist Church. Mr. Hayden Williams led the study of the twenty first and twenty second chapters of Exodus.

Mrs. W. A. Morrow and Mrs. Frank Roberts ate dinner at the Cafe Sunday and attended the singing at the Victory Baptist Church Sunday afternoon. After the singing they visited with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Morrow and daughter of Amarillo in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Toots Breedlove.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Wynn and son Marvin of Whitharrel came Sunday afternoon to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Wynn.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Harwell visited with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Kesler Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Poultson and little son, Joe visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Aaron Saturday night and Sunday morning.

Mrs. Carthral Lewis came and took Mark Killian home with her to spend Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Killian, Granvil, Vici and Gary went from church to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Youngs to spend the day Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Owens and Diane were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Crane Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dandridge Culp, Charles, Barbara and Rickie of Amarillo were supper guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Kesler Sunday.

There were a goodly number attended services at the Fresno Methodist Church Sunday morning. Mrs. Aaron brought an inspiring message on "Signs on the Highway of Life!" Night services were called off so the people of Fresno could attend the evening service at the Bethel Methodist Church to hear Rayburn Holton bring the evening message.

We will have our Christmas and Christmas tree at the Fresno Methodist Church Wednesday evenbeginning at seven o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Kesler visited Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Forbis and Mrs. Ruth Taylor and Martha Lynn Taylor a while Sunday night after church. Mrs. Wilma Ruth Taylor and Martha Lynn had just came in from Austin to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Forbis.

Salt Fork Soil Conservation Dist.

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FRANK FORD
JOHN R. HENARD JR.

Supervisors of the Salt Fork Soil Conservation district, in a meeting Saturday night, December 5, voted that John Robert Henard, Tom Cunningham and Frank Coleman will attend the annual convention of the Texas Association of Soil Conservation Supervisors to be held in Fort Worth January 14, 15 and 16.

The group also voted that Chairman Zook Thomas will attend the national convention in New Orleans in February.

At the same time, the supervisors appointed Mr. Henard, Mr. Thomas and Fred Squyres on a committee to look into the need for and make recommendations on machinery to be purchased by the soil conservation district that is needed by co-operatores who carrf out practices such as irrigation, mowing sage brush, etc.

This machinery would be available to farmers in veneral at a nominal fee.

Anybody with suggestions should contact one of the members of the committee.

A small Christmas tree is much less harzardous than large one.

The fireplace is almost sure to be used constantly during the holidays. It should be protected by a substantial screen—otherwise, flying sparks may ignite Christmas wrappings and decorations.

Have a metal container handy, so that paper wrappings from your Christmas presents may be discarded easily and safely.

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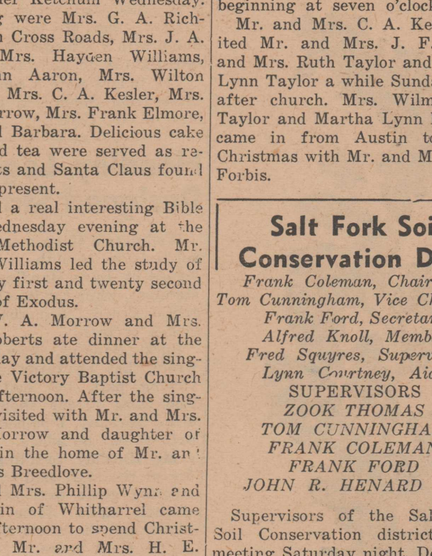
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Your County Treasurer



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Goforth-Gwyn Wedding Read in Amarillo Nov. 22

Of much interest here was the pre-holiday wedding in Amarillo Sunday afternoon, November 22, when Miss Betty Jo Gwynn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Gwynn, 3304 Tyler, became the bride of Donald Frank Goforth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl R. Goforth, 1206 Sunset, formerly of Wellington.

The Rev. J. Frank Perry read the double ring ceremony at Trinity Methodist Church. Decorating the alter were arrangements of white chrysanthemums and gladioli, backed by palms and candelabra bearing cathedral tapers. The bridal aisle was marked with white satin bows and white aisle cord.

Wedding music was provided by Mrs. Paul Timmons, organist, who played "Always," "Indian Love Call," "Bells of St. Mary's" and "Because", and accompanied Mrs. Lula Maye Gibbs as she sang "I Love You Truly," and "Calm is the Night." The traditional marches were used as the processional and recessional.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white slipper satin, styled with a fitted bodice accented with lace flowers and tapered sleeves, which were lace from the elbow to the shoulder and formed a sheer neckline with a hand rolled collar. The full skirt had panels of Chantilly lace and extended in a cathedral train. Her veil of French illusion fell in tiers from a tiara of pastel sequins.

She carried a white Bible, topped by white orchids and showered with stephanotis and white satin streamers. Her jewelry included a pearl necklace, a gift from the groom, and a gold wedding band which belonged to her grandmother, Mrs. Ozella Snodgrass.

Miss Willie Jean Duvall, maid of honor, wore a gown of shirmp pink net over irridescent aqua taffeta. The sheer bodice had gathered sleeves and was attached to a full length gathered skirt. Her headdress was of matching net and she carried a bouquet of coral carnations tufted with matching nylon.

The bridesmaids, Miss Barbara Bruce, Miss Lenore Howell, Miss Vivis Bounds and Mrs. Darell Sharp, wore gowns of shrimp pink net over irridescent taffeta, styled identically to the honor attendant. Their headdresses were of matching net and they carried cascade bouquets of white chrysanthemums and ivy garlands.

Guy Earl Mulherin was best man, while the groomsmen were Wilbur McCarty of Canyon, Stanley Hackley, Roy Johnson and Bob Goforth, cousin of the groom.

Junior members of the wedding party were Sheilah Sue Spoonts and Jean Gwynn cousins of the bride who were flower girls.

Lighting the candles were Richard Earl Gwynn and Patricia Gwynn, also cousins of the bride.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Gwynn chose a plum colored dress with black accessories and a corsage of pink rosebuds. Mrs. Goforth wore a black crepe dress with winter white accessories and a corsage of pink and rosebuds.

The Goforth home was the scene of the reception immediately after the ceremony. The serving table was laid with white bridal satin centered with an arrangement of white chrysanthemums and garlanded with ivy. Miss Gay Nell Ridings served the wedding cake and Miss Garcia Robertson and Miss Paula Ferguson presided at the tea and coffee services. Registering the guests was Mrs. Bob Goforth, while music was provided by Mrs. Gibbs.

Assisting in the house party were Mmes. Jones Singley of Wellington, Paul Barnett, Clyde Vaughn, Wilbur Don McCarty and Miss Thelma Mauldin.

For the wedding trip to New Orleans, La., the bride chose a brown shantung suit with gold and brown accessories, and a white orchid corsage.

Both the bride and groom are graduates of Amarillo high school and the groom is a student in West Texas State College. Upon returning form their wedding trip, the couple established their home at 2606-D, Canyon.

Out of town guests attending the wedding includede Mr. and Mrs. Jones Singley, Miss Linda Singley, Mr. and Mrs. Bura Handley, and Mrs. Sarah McCaskill of Wellington and Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Gwyn of Paducah.

Plans Complete for Bobby Burns Dance Christmas

When Bobby Burns brings his versatile 7-piece "Reveries in Rythum" orchestra to the Community Building Christmas night, under the sponsorship of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, dancers will have real treat in store. Laughingly referred to by the band members themselves as the "No-Style Music of Bobby Burns," this group plays everything from western to divieland to societ and on to bop — and ad their Latin American arrangements to the list.

Add all this together and you have the "Reveries in Rythum" of the most versatile little seven-piece orchestra in the Southwest, Russell Yates, VFW entertainment chairman declared.

Featured with the band will be beautiful, blonde Francine Washburn. In addition to singing and palying bongo drums in the Latin American music, in private life she is the wife of trombonist Phil Washburn and the mother of three children.

Her family and vocal duties combined make a busy schedule but she has proven herself to be a good dance-band trooper by not missing a single one-nighter in the past three and one half years, so the vocal duets of Phil and Francine Washburn are a favorite with dancers wherever the band appears.

Ko Shari Carolers Sing Friday Night

Members of Ko Shari caroled at the King Rest Home, St. Joseph's Hospital, and at a group of individual homes Friday evening, December 18.

Attending were Frankie Campbell, Linda Singley, Elinor Drake, Mary Ann Hunter, Effie Spears, Nancy Elliott, Cynthia Watkins, Bette Elliott and the sponsors, Mrs. Jim Cochran and Mrs. Horace Small.

Society News

Homemakers Class Has Dinner

The Homemakers Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church met in the dining hall of the church Tuesday evening, December 15, for the Christmas party and business meeting.

Hostesses were members of group 4.

Christmas decorations were arranged through the room. The table, from which the covered dish supper was served, was laid with a white cloth, centered with an arrangement of silver ornaments topped by a tiny Santa Claus.

Mrs. J. B. Trew presided during the business meeting.

Mrs. Doshia Dix brought the devotional and told a Christmas story. Christmas carols were sung and gifts exchanged. The meeting was dismissed by Mrs. Dora Ryan.

Present were Mmes. Bruce Hite, H. P. Forbis, W. W. Neeley, Homer Ingram, Porter Loving, Jess Cook, Ben Brewer, W. F. Harbin, John L. Brim, Jack Cristy, Donnie Huston, B. W. Beaird, Chas. Cason Sr., Earl Harrison, Dora Ryan, H. A. Davis.

Mmes. Ben Wilhelm, Beulah Cunningham, Ruth Keller, Chas. Slay, Riley Dunson, Johanna Glasgow, J. T. Baldwin, L. P. Mathis, J. C. Cason, J. B. Trew, A. N. Hutcherson, J. A. Dukeminier, Doshia Dix, L. A. Moore, J. L. Burt.

Mmes. R. W. Brantley, E. M. Trew, E. M. Hix, J. C. Whisenant, Ray Clubb, Jack Ball, Eula Mae Morgan, C. S. Graham, Rev. Chester O'Brien and Andy Lowe.

Norwood HD Club Has Christmas Meeting

By Mrs. Nathan Thompson

The Samnorwood Home Demonstration Club met December 11 with Mrs. V. J. Simpson as hostess.

She also presided during the short business session.

Mrs. Hick Morrow gave a chalk talk based on the first chapter of Timothy.

Christmas gifts were exchanged and Pollyanna friends revealed.

Refreshments were served to two new members, Mrs. Morrow and Mrs. O. L. Christie, a visitor, Mrs. Bill Seals, and to Mmes. E. J. Glazner, O. B. Bradley, Donald Coleman, C. J. Bradley, Nathan Thompson, J. L. Alexander, Bert Field, and the hostess.

Mrs. O. B. Bradley will be hostess to the next meeting January 8.

Shower Honors Recent Bride

Mrs. Billy Gene Williams, who before her recent marriage was Miss Ruby Lucas, was honored with a bridal shower Tuesday, December 8, in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Robert Webb. The WMU of Faith Baptist Church acted as hostesses.

After the gifts were viewed, refreshments were served.

Attending and sending gifts were Nell McKinney, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Williams, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Clement, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Needham, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Lucas, Mrs. Ray Love, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Goodnight, Mrs. Mildred Shanks, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Powers of Dodson; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Farrar, Mr. and Mrs. Milford Harris and Bryant, Mrs. Ward, Mrs. L. D. Mineatrea.

Mr. and Mrs. Noble Murray, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Hatch, Mrs. Lily Masten, Mrs. Felix Hunt, Mrs. O. R. Spears, Mrs. Elmer Black, Mrs. Fleet Pruden, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Kelso, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Hackler, Mrs. Sam Turner, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Brewer, Mr. and Mrs. Riley Hooper.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stout of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Powers of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Burl Ledbetter, Mrs. Edna Ashley of Artesia, N. M., Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dean of Los Angeles, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ivy, Mrs. Claude Cason Sr., Mrs. Homer Ingram, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Passmore, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Bonneau, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clark Hubbard of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Tucker, Mrs. Aline Eads, and Mr. and Mrs. Clint Westmoreland of Tucu, N. M.

Also Miss Dorothy Simmons, Miss Katherine Boverie, Miss Effie Spears, Miss Vivian Minatrea, Miss Jackie Powers, Miss KaLen Galyean, also Donald Green, Carl Hackler, Loyd Hooper and Sam Ivy.

It is dangerous to set up electric trains under the Christmas tree. Metal icicles may drop on the track and cause sparks.



Mary Jane Johnson La Ventana Finalist

Twenty finalists for the 1954 La Ventana beauty contest were selected this week end from a field of 140 entries, seeking recognition in the beauty pages of the Texas Tech yearbook.

Editor Ted Harrison of Roswell, N. M., announced that pictures of the 20 beauties would be sent to a Hollywood celebrity, who will select the top 10 to be featured in the Texas Tech annual.

Two seniors, five juniors, five sophomores, and eight freshmen were named in the top 20. Judges were Lubbock portrait photographers.

In the top 20 were Jerry Anglin, Plainview freshman; Laura Lou Bailey, Lubbock junior; Carolyn Bigby, Ballinger freshman; Mary Alice Braselton, Plainview freshman; Ruth Carpenter, Odessa junior; Elna Dunagan, Tahoka junior; Sue Hefley, Texline sophomore; Dorothy Hicks, Lubbock senior; Mary Jane Johnson, Wellington freshman; Betty McGebee, Canyon sophomore; Pat Mansell, Lubbock senior; Zoe Merriman, Lubbock sophomore; Gloria Patterson, Lorenzo freshman; Ann Perkins, Pampa sophomore; Joyce Snell, Lubock junior; Sandra Shook, Lubbock sophomore; Joyce Tharp, Littlefield freshman; Pat Tinney, Bowie freshman; Anne von Roeder, Snyder junior; and Darlyne Wood, Lubbock freshman.

Club Hears of Nativity in Art

The story of the Nativity in art was told by Mrs. James Ross at the Christmas meeting of the 1924 Study Club Thursday, December 17, when Mrs. E. K. Jones was hostess.

Mrs. Ross, who has collected pictures of the Nativity for a number of years, included illustrations from all periods of the Christ-era, and gave explanations of each.

The house was decorated with the Christmas motif.

Centering the serving table was an arrangement of red berries on a white felt base. Mrs. Clark Anderson presided at the coffee service.

Decorated individual cakes, nuts and coffee were served, and corsages were given as favors.

Guests present were Mrs. J. F. Michael and Mrs. E. W. Jones. Members attending were Mmes. Mish Dukeminier, Sam Gholosn, Chester Fires, Jimmie Cochran, Bobo Castleberry, Frank Campbell, Jack Kopp, Frank Anderson, F. C. LeDerer, Walter Winters, R. R. Crawley, James Ross, Kelly Pigg, Clark Anderson, Cecil Street, James Sullivan, M. M. Kern and Carter Holcomb, Miss Katherine Boverie and the hostess, Mrs. Jones.

Mrs. Byron Depauw Honored at Party

Mrs. L. A. Gilmore and Mrs. Elmer Hite were hostesses at a coke party introducing Mrs. Byron Depauw, who moved here recently from Amarillo. The entertainment was given in the Gilmore home Tuesday evening from four to six o'clock.

A gift was presented the honoree.

A centerpiece carrying out the Christmas theme was used on the serving table.

Calling were Mmes. Buford Chandler, John Coffee, Alfred White, Les White, Roy Thomason, Earl Hunter, G. B. Stanley, Jimmy Kelso, Charles Little Jr., Bill Tarter, Paul Brewer, Osa Black, Morris Reed, Tuffy Barton, Frank Thomason.

Mmes. Shelton Nunnelley, Fred Cox Jr., Dewey Barker, P. E. Starr, R. B. Uselton, J. L. Souder Jr., Buddy Yarbrough, Leon Coleman, Guy Bell, Travis Buske, Jack Nelson, Walter Deger, and Austin Deger.

Slumber Party For Dragonettes

Miss Sharon Swift and her mother, Mrs. Pat Swift, were hostesses for a slumber party honoring the Dragonettes recently.

Refreshments of sandwiches, drinks, cookies and potato chips were served and games were played during the evening.

Attending were Misses Mary Ann Hunter, Nelda Scott, Ann Gholson, Nell Gholson, Ricki Boyd, Rachel Carter, Donna Black and the hostesses, Mrs. Swift and Miss Swift.

Ko Shari Holds Christmas Party

The Ko Shari members held their Christmas party Wednesday night, December 16.

In a short business session, plans were made for the members to go caroling Friday night and plans were completed for their dinner dance.

Presents were exchanged and refreshments served to Mary Ann Hunter, Sally Parsons Sharon Swift, Nancy Elliott, Elinor Drake, Effie Spears, Donna Black, Renee Thomason, Ricky Boyd, Cynthia Watkins, Frankie Campbell, Linda Singley, Lyda Thomas, Bette Elliott, LaJuan Wilson and the sponsors, Mrs. Jim Cochran and Mrs. Horace Small.

Houselog Club Gives Box to Boys Ranch

The Houselog Good Neighbors Club met for the Christmas party December 18, with Mrs. Frank Thomas as hostess.

Mrs. R. L. Karnes, president, was in charge. After the group had sung Christmas carols, a prayer was given by Mrs. Leonard Karnes and gifts were exchanged.

New secret pals for the coming year were elected.

The club voted to send a box of fruit and candy to Boys Ranch at Old Tascosa. A quilt for the ranch was completed.

Refreshments were served to Mmes. Bob Stephenson, George Brawley and Joyce, Ray Clubb, John Tew, Robert Karnes, Eugene Bawcom, M. C. Pigg, Leonard Karnes, Frank Fourmentin, and two new members, Mrs. Watts and Mrs. Doshia Dix.

Here's a formula for flameproofing a Santa suit. Mix up a solution of four ounces boric acid, nine ounces borax and one gallon of hot water. Dip cloth in the solution, wring out and dry. Suit will be flameproof until it is washed again.

Dorcas Class Has Holiday Party

Members of the Dorcas Sunday School class of the Methodist Church were entertained with a Christmas party Monday evening, December 14, in the parlor of the Methodist Church.

Hostesses were Mmes. R. H. Ball, J. L. Alexander, Earl Alexander, Calvin Aaron, John Henard, John Forbis, Walter Franks, Maude Harrison and Claude Howe.

A Christmas tree highlighted the decorations, carrying out the holiday theme.

After the group had sung "Silent Night," Mrs. Henard gave the story of the birth of Christ from St. Matthew. Joyce Alexander gave a reading and Mrs. A. V. Cocke told a Christmas story.

Gifts were exchanged from the tree and Polly Anna gifts were given.

Refreshments were served to Mmes. W. E. Brewster, W. H. West, W. C. Reeves, Bill Long, G. E. Van Felt, Cocke, R. L. Karnes, O. E. Dodson, A. G. Tyler, J. B. Baumgardner, G. A. Richards, C. A. Kesler, J. B. Clark, G. L. Jones, Lola Dobbs, Ola Wall, Mary Stall, Jennie Holcomb, S. L. Lindsey, J. F. Michael, Leslie Wooldridge, Emma Jones, Nannie Masten, Miss Dorma Lee Tyler, Joyce and Nancy Alexander, and the hostesses.

Miss Roark In Who's Who

Canyon — Miss Pat Roark, Samnorwood, is one of 28 students at West Texas State College chosen to represent the college in the 1954 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities." They were recognized in assembly with the Student Senate in charge.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roark, Samnorwood, Miss Roark is a junior elementary education major. She is president of Beta Alpha chapter Gamma Theta Upsilon, treasurer of Buffalo Masqures, secretary-treasurer of cousins Hall and a pledge captain of Gramma Phi Sorority.

Buck Creek WMU Has Christmas Meeting

By Mrs. J. L. Souder

The Buck Creek WMU met at the home of Mrs. J. L. Souder Friday December 18, for the anual Christmas party.

The devotional was read by Mrs. Souder, followed by Christmas talks by Mrs. L. Stonecipher, Mrs. Clyde Brown and Mrs. J. K. Porter.

Gifts were exchanged and refreshments of fruit cake and coffee was served to Mmes. Walter Gentry and Patsy, J. C. Hartman Jr., Edd Crawford, Pete Hartman, Ewin Thomas, Clyde Brown, Travis McQuire, Robert Lacy, John Dollar, Willie Tow, J. K. Porter, Bob Lancaster, Elder and Mrs. L. Stonecipher and the hostess.

Annual Christmas Tea Honors Home Demonstration and 4-H Members

Christmas tea highlighted the holiday season members of the Home Demonstration and Girls 4-H Clubs of the county recently at the Veterans of Foreign Wars building.

Girls of the clubs furnished the program, including a sextet singing "Silver Bells," composed of Mary Carol Smith, Carolyn Keller, Cindy Akins, Mary Beth Kelso, Betty Patton and Alicia Ham.

Piano numbers, Joline Groves; a reading, Joyce Alexander; "Hawiian Love Song," Judy Carol Pate; a vocal selection, Christmas by Joy Carolyn Smith; "O Holy Night," a cocal solo by Harriet Lowry; a piano selection, "Narcissus," by Gloria Atkinson; piano solo, "Away In a Manger," Renee Patchell; a reading, "I didn't want Mittens," by Margaret Nix; a book review, Mrs. J. P. Cummings; and a Christmas poem, Mrs. A. V. Cocke. Mrs. Rufus Sweat led the singing of Christmas carols.

Gifts were exchanged and punch and cookies served.

Miss Inez Clement, education chairman for the Home Demonstration Clubs, hed charge of the program.

Greetings

It is so heartwarming to remember at Christmastime, friends whose faith and loyalty have always meant so much to us! Along with our greetings we send you every good wish for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The Fashion Shop
Mrs. J.L. Burt



Reservation Princess

Miss Veda Mae Kiker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Kiker Route 2, is shown here in her coronation gown and headdress, after she was chosen Reservation Princess of McMurry College, Abilene. The honor is the highest the student body can give one of its members. Miss Kiker is a senior and is now here for the Christmas Holidays with her parents.

Miss Pat Roark to Wed Bill Karnes December 26

Betty Durfey Birthday Honoree

By Mrs. George Adkins

Mrs. W. M. Durfey was hostess at a birthday party, honoring her daughter, Betty, on her eleventh birthday.

The party was in the form of a birthday supper with a slumber party following.

A delicious supper was served, ending when a dainty white birthday cake with pink decorations and eleven pink candles was served with ice cream.

Guests attending were Sharron Campbell, Celia Ray Anderson, Sherri Gibbs, the honoree, Betty Durfey, and the hostess, Mrs. Durfey. Also present for the supper were Mr. Durfey, Bill Durfey and Mrs. W. D. Durfey.

When selecting your Christmas tree, obtain one that has just been cut and is fresh, thus reducing the fire danger in your home.

A holiday wedding date has been chosen by a popular young county couple, Miss Pat Roark and Bill W. Karnes.

Announcement of the approaching marriage was made this week by the bride elect's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roark of the Lutie community. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Karnes of Wellington are the parents of the groom to be.

The couple will be married Saturday, December 26, at five-thirty o'clock in the evening at the Wesley Foundation Chapel in Canyon. The Rev. Jim Pickens, foundation director, will officiate.

Mr. Roark will give the bride away.

They have chosen as their attendants Mrs. Lynn Wright of Wellington and John Long of Plainview.

Miss Roark is a graduate of Samnorwood high school and is now a senior in West Texas State College. Mr. Karnes, a graduate of Wellington high school, received his degree from West Texas State and in now stationed at Fort Sill with the Army.

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Friendship . . . a precious possession the year 'round is especially appreciated at Christmastime. To our many loyal friends we wish a Very Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with happiness.

Bratten Jewelry

Buck Creek News

By MRS. J. L. SOUDER

Sunday was a nice day and Sunday School and Church was well attended Sunday morning. Sunday night we had or Christmas tree and program which was enjoyed by all.

Bro and Mrs. Stonecipher were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ewin Thomas Sunday.

J. C. Hartman Sr. and J. C. Hartman Jr. took a load of sheep to Oklahoma City Monday.

Real Estate Transactions

The following transactions of real estate have been recorded in the office of David Robinson, county clerk, since December 1.

Veterans land board to David F. Robinson, 67.855 acres out of the northeast one-fourth of section 83, block 14.

Veterans Land Board of Texas to Tom R. Hunter Jr., 71 acres out of section 83, block 14.

The Veterans Land Board of Texas to J. M. Strong Jr. — 120.45 acres out of the southwest quarter of section 83, block 14.

W. J. Uselton; R. B. Uselton and wife; Ray Uselton and wife; and Bessie Uselton Hicks and husband Elbert Hicks — to Billy Uselton, lot 19 and the south 5 feet of lot 20, block 221, Wellington.

Veterans Land Board of Texas to Dale V. Watkins—70 acres out of section 83, block 14.

J. L. Hess and wife to Margaret Hess Coleman—undivided surface estate and an undivided one-eighth interest in the minerals of section 10 block 23.

J. L. Hess and wife to Ruth Hess Magee—undivided one-half interest of the surgace estate and undivided one-fourth interest in the minerals of section 31, block 22.

J. L. Hess and wife to Mary Hess Dwyer—undivided one-half interest in the surface estate and undivided one-fourth interest in the minerals of section 18, block 22.

J. L. Hess and wife to Faris J Hess—undivided one-half interest in the surface estate and undivided one-fourth interest of the minerals of section 44, block 22.

Roy Tisdale and wife to James T. Owens and wife—the northwest one-fourth of section 84, block 21. and the northwest one-fourth section 83, block 21.

Wayne B. Yarbrough and wife to Joseph A. Beard, lots 13, 14, 15 and 16, block 127, Wellington.

T. W. Devenport and wife to the Veterans Land Board of Texas—37.855 acres out of section 83, block 14; 71 acres out of section 83, block 14; 120.45 acres out of section 83, block 14.

W. T. Morgan Jr. and wife to J. B. Grambrell, J. R. Gambrell and and Jettie Westfall—the southwest quarter of section 95, block 15.

Ira B. Morrow and wife to Pressley Ashton—40 acres out of the northwest one-fourth of section 67, block 15.

T. W. Devenport and wife to the Veterans Land Board of Texas — a tract out of section 83, block 14.

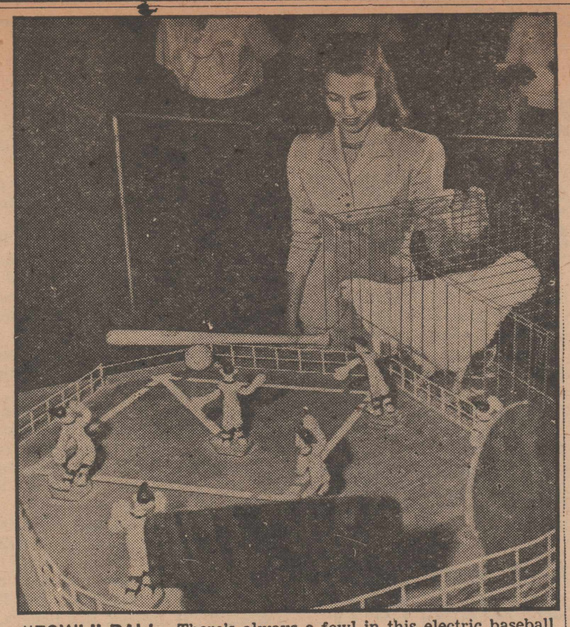
J. A. Hilburn and wife to R. D. Wiley and John S. Coleman—lots 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24, block 84, Wellington.

Billy Earl Wallace and wife to V. J. Simpson—lots 11 and 12, block 157, Wellington.

Orah Everts to Sidney G. Sims—undivided one-fourth interest in section 49, and section 52, block 12.

Thad R. Roberts to Carrie Roberts—lots 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, block 19, Wellington; lots 23 and 24, block 22, Wellington section 41, block 15 and the east one-half of section 60, block 15; and the east half of a aract of land owned out of the south part of section 61, block 11; all of the southeast one-fourth of section 28, block 15; and all of the north 122 acres of the northeast one-fourth of section 70, block 10.

T. D. Thompson and wife to Bart Martin—lots 23 and 24, block 90, Wellington.



"FOWL" BALL—There's always a fowl in this electric baseball game displayed recently at the Texas State Fair at Dallas. Action starts when the chicken in the "batting cage" pecks at a fake worm attached to the end of the electric bat. A good, firm peck means a clean hit and sets off a trigger which releases chicken feed as a reward to the "batter." Watching the game is Ponda Jansen, a "fair" visitor.

NEW CARS AND TRUCKS

New cars and trucks registered in the office of Claude McKinney, sheriff-tax assessor and collector, during the past two weeks are:

Howard Crosby of Wellington. 1954 Chevrolet 2-door.

Theo Parker of Samnorwood, 1954 Dodge 4-door sedan.

Chester O'Brien Jr. of Wellington, Chevrolet sedan.

Henard Gray, Wellington, Chevrolet sedan.

Fulton Gregg of Route 1, Silverton, Pontiac 4-door sedan.

Dr. Fred Goss of Wellington, Plymouth club sedan.

Bob Keller of Wellington, 1953 Ford Tudor.

J. I. Morgan, Route 3, Wellington, Dodge 4-door sedan.

J. D. Farrar of Wellington, Ford Tudor.

A. W. Pierson of Wellington, Dodge half ton pickup.

Castleberry Motor Company, Wellington, 1953 Dodge half ton pickup.

Troy Gardner of Wellington, Ford Fordor.

Dewey Malone of Lorenzo, Buick Fordor.

Thelma Singley of Wellington. Plymouth 4-door sedan.

Robert L. Mabery of Wellington, GMC half ton pickup.

Truman Provine of Amarillo, Hudson sedan.

John E. Reeves of Shamrock route 1, Ford Tudor.

Billy R. Powers, Pontiac 4-door sedan.

Buster Fillpot of Dodson, Chevrolet half ton pickup.

W. R. Coleman of Dozier, Ford Fordor.

W. M. Davis of Dozier, Route Shamrock, Plymouth 4-door sedan.

Frank Beauchamp of Shamrock, Pontiac 4-door sedan.

Elbert Richards, Route 3, Wellington, Dodge half ton pickup.

Castleberry Motor Company, Dodge half ton pickup.

Nancy L. Wilson of Fort Worth, Pontiac 4-door sedan.

Quail Rural High School, one GMC school bus.

Who's New In Collingsworth



November Births recorded in the office of David Robinson, county clerk, include:

A son, Alonzo, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Octaviano Uresti in St. Joseph's Hospital November 10. The baby weighed 7 pounds and 13 ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. Mauro Villafranca are the parents of a five pound fourteen and one-half ounce son, Mauro Jr., born in St. Joseph's Hospital November 2.

A daughter, Mary Helen, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Moreno in St. Joseph's Hospital November 23. She weighed seven pounds and four ounces.

A daughter, Sandra Kay, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. Sullivan November 23. She weighed six pounds.

A son, Jack Earl, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard Minor, colored November 11. He weighed 7 pounds and two ounces.

Juan Terjo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Estavan Terjo, was born in St. Joseph's Hospital November 11. He weighed four pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M.O'Gorman of Shamrock are the parents of a son, Ronald Beckett, born in St. Joseph's Hospital November 9. The baby's weighed was eight pounds and 13 ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Brown of Pontotoc, Oklahoma are the parents of a daughter, Rebecca Ann, born November 1 in St. Joseph's Hospital. She weighed five pounds and thirteen ounces.

Kathryn Louise, a daughter, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Joe G Taylor in St. Joseph's Hospital November 23. Her weight was seven pounds and four ounces.

A son, Weldon Virgil, was born to Mr. and Mrs. James V. Simmons of Quail November 21 in St. Joseph's Hospital. He weighed eight pounds and three ounces.

A seven pound two ounce daughter, Alta Karen, was born to Mr. and Mrs. John M. Lowrie in St. Joseph's Hospital November 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Sango are the parents of a son, Charles Ray, born November 25, in St. Joseph's Hospital. He weighed ten pounds and eleven ounces.

A five pound nine ounce son, Arturo, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Simon Trevino of Dodson November 17, in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Bledsoe are the parents of a daughter, Debra Ann, born in St Joseph's Hospital November 17. She weighed seven pounds and six ounces.

A son, Gary Douglas, was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Fred Cummings in St. Joseph's Hospital November 16. He weighed nine lbs. and two ounces.

A son, Jessie Lee, was born to Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Johnson December 2. He weighed five pounds and eight ounces.

Here for the Christmas holidays are Mr. and Mrs. John Fuson and children, Barbara and Barry of Bakersfield, Calif. They are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fuson and his aunt, Miss Jessie Fuson. The Fusons are farming at Bakersfield, raising cotton, potatoes and alfalfa for seed. They operate an irrigated farm and their cotton yield averaged two and one-half bales per acre this year. Mrs. Fuson is the former Rubye Fisher of Loco. Her mother, Mrs. W. S. Fisher now lives in Santa Monica. Others in the Fuson home for Christmas will be Capt. F. C. Fuson of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hardin and daughter, Janice of Canadian; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cook and children, Carol and James of Dollarhide.

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LON ALEXANDER — REGISTERED PHARMACIST

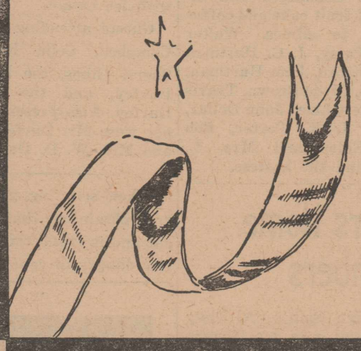
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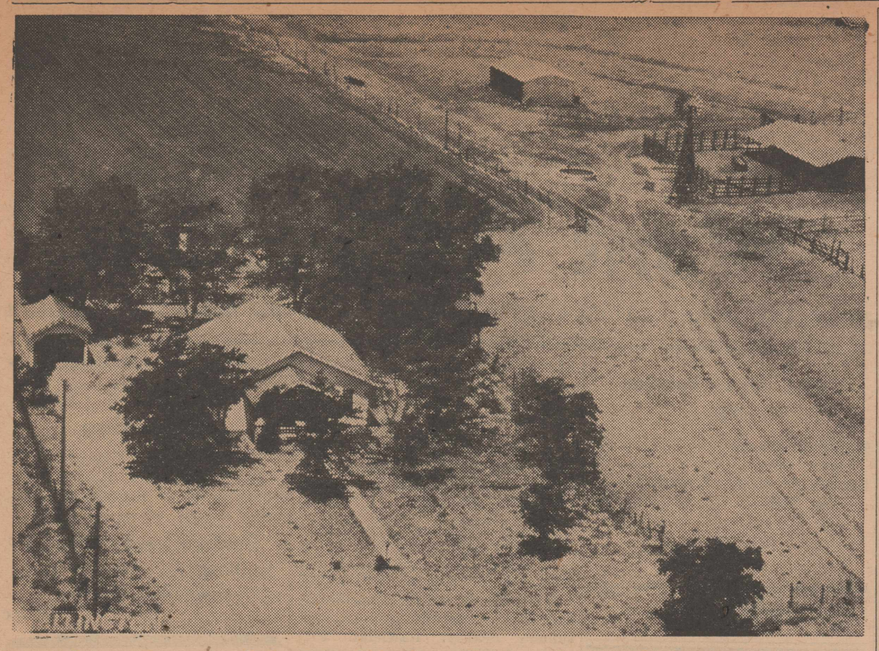
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Antelope, Deer and Prairie Chicken Once Plentiful on Farm

Claude Caperton Farm Has One Owner in Its 61-Year History

Last weeks' Mystery Farm is one of the oldest settled in the county and has only one owner other than the State of Texas.

It is the Claude Caperton farm at Dozier—the land Mr. Caperton filed on in 1892.

Two readers identified it. Pete Melton of Lutie was the first. The other was Jeanette Bell of Wellington.

Perhaps as much history of Collingsworth County is stored up in Mr. Caperton's mind as in that of any person still living here.

In addition to having been a successful farmer, he has been active in business, political and church affairs of the county.

Mr. Caperton has called this place home during the entire time he has owned it. The farm has 320 acres, only 80 of which are in grass. He farms cotton and maize and run a few cattle.

"I almost got out of the cattle business last summer," he comments.

Interested in soil conservation, he has terraced the place and deep plowed part of the land. He has built two farm ponds.

The attractive comfortable home was built in 1934.

Mr. Caperton was born April 29, 1874, in Jackson County, Alabama. He came with his family to Collingsworth County in the early 1890's, settling in the community where he now lives. At that time, the community had no name, and his mother gave it the name by which it still goes, Dozier.

Mr. Caperton has keen memories of those years. He liked to hunt in his younger days, and he recalls clearly the vast wildlife population of the county then—antelope, deer, prairie chicken and quail.

In one week, he had 17 deer in his barn, which he sold for $5 each at Clarendon.

Again, he and T. B. Starkey got up a load of 1500 prairie chicken and Mr. Caperton freighted them to Mobeetie, where he sold them to Uncle Johnny Long, the famous Indian fighter and pioneer. Long at the time had 40,000 prairie chicken on hand. Mr. Caperton isn't sure how he preserved them. They were drawn but not plucked. Later Mr. Long shipped them to a firm at Denver.

Mr. Caperton was married to Miss Clara Helvey at Clarendon in 1902. They had four children, HelveyCaperton, now advertising manager for the Dr. Pepper Bottling Co., Dallas; Mrs. Dorothy Morton of Washington, D. C..; Robert Caperton of Shamrock; and Mrs. Mary Robinson of Paris. Mrs. Caperton died in 1912.

In 1913 he was married to Miss Maxie Shields of Quail. She was born in Cook County, and came to Quail with her parents in 1908. Since this was before the railroad came through here, they made the trip in a covered wagon.

Mr. and Mrs. Caperton have one son, Claude Caperton Jr., a student on the University of Texas School of Dentistry at Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Caperton are members of the Church of Christ.

He is also a member of the WOW and Odd Fellows. He served as a county commissioned during the 1920's and still keenly interested in politics. He is election judge of most of the elections held at Dozier.

Mr. and Mrs. Caperton owned and operated the Dozier Store for 17 years. For the first seven years, Robert Caperton was postmaster, then Mrs. Caperton took over the job and continued in that capacity 10 years.

Mr. Caperton is assisted in his farming operations by J. C. Breeding, who rents the farm.

County Women Like Alaska

Two Collingsworth county women who left December 10 to work in Anchorage, Alaska, have written they are pleased with what they have seen of the country so far.

They are Miss Marie Grogan, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Grogan who reside at Abra, and Mrs. Stella Payne of Samnorwood.

Miss Grogan, who has been employed in the classified advertising department of the Amarillo News, will work on an Anchorage paper, and Mrs. Payne will work with her sister, who owns a cafe.

The two took off from the Amarillo Airport Thursday December 10, at 10:13 and arrived in Anchorage at 4:00 p. m. Friday.

Miss Grogan worte her parents: "Had a wonderful trip up. Were not on the ground more than 10 minutes at a time," They stopped in Denver and Seattle.

Mrs. Payne wrote: "The weather is fine. Not as cold as it was in Amarillo when we left there. It's 20 above and about two inches of snow. The mountains and trees are beautiful."

Their address is 437 G Street, Anchorage Alaska.

Janes Applies For Irrigation Rights

The State Board of Water Engineers has set January 11 as the date for public hearing on an application for Dodson Janes for irrigation rights in this county, an announcement form Austin last week stated.

Mr. Janes application is for a permit to use 312 acre feet of water per year out of a tributary of Wolf Creek for irrigation of 156 acres of land. The water would be diverted by pumping.

The location is 14.5 miles northeast of Wellington.

Pritchard Asks $14,329 Damages

Clyde Pritchard of this county has filed a damage suit in 108th District Court, Amarillo, asking $14,329 of Don Harrington, doing business as the Big Bull Ranch, according to a story in an Amarillo paper.

Pritchard's petition alleges he suffered injuries last July 30 when he fell from the top of a truckload of hay when the truck turned a curve in a road on ranch property.

According to the petition Pritchard was employed as a cowhand on the ranch at the time of the accident.

Larry Hollis, 16-month old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hollis of Hollis, Oklahoma, underwent major surgery in St. Joseph's Hospital recently. He was dismissed and returned to his home Sunday.

Booker T. Washington School Host

Wellington, Childress Win Invitation Ball Tourney

Wellington girls and Childress boys were first place winners of their divisions in the invitation basketball tournament sponsored here recently by Booker T. Washington School.

They were awarded trophies.

Second place winners were the Memphis girls and Borger boys.

Joseph Hogue and Mrs. Doris Wilhite, coaches of the Wellington Panthers and Pantherettes, were in charge.

Fourteen teams were entered in the two divisions, coming from Shamrock, Borger, Childress, Memphis, Paducah, Wellington and Hollis.

In the first go-round of the boys play, Shamrock defeated the Wellington Panthers 40 to 35; Borger defeated Memphis 28 to 10; Hollis won over Paducah 43 to 24; and Childress drew a bye.

In the second round Childress defeated Shamrock 46 to 22 and Borger defeated Hollis a tight 53 to 51.

Childress won the playoff 50 to 41.

The first round of the girls division ended with Wellington winning over Shamrock 14 to 13; Memphis over Borger 31 to 12; and Paducah over Hollis 12 to 11. Childress girls also drew a bye.

In the semi finals, Wellington defeated Childress 29 to 7; Memphis was victor over Paducah 32 to 16.

A one-point victory, 20 to 19, gave Wellington Pantherettes the girls title.

Members of the Wellington Pantherettes are Beulah Bailey, who scored 10 points in the final game, Pearlie Byrd, who got 6 points, and Bertha Bailey who made 4. Other players are Francine Childs, Maxine Jones, Loula B. Slaughter, Effie Meadows, Dora Nash, Betty Patrick, Mary Allen Patrick, Yvonne Sango, E. Roland, Ella Hunnicutt, Virginia Anderson, Bessie Thomas and Tara Smith.

Panther team mebers are James Hunnicutt, M. J. Random, Donell Williams, J. C. Byrd, R. W. Powell, Aaron Rayford, Charles Rayford, James Thomas, Willie Nickleberry and Virgil Lynch.

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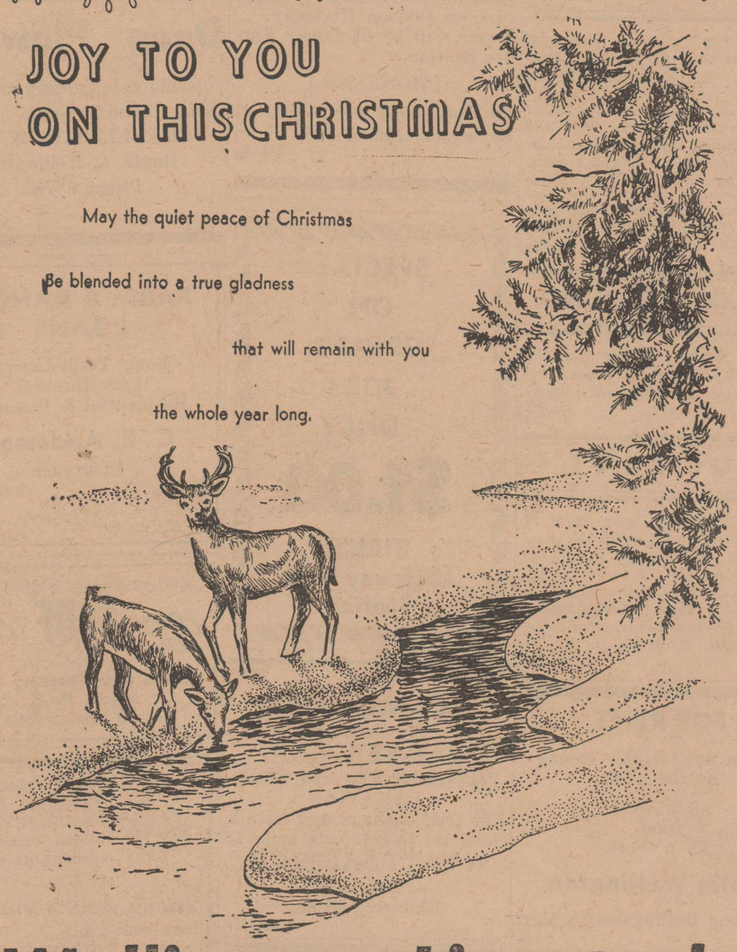
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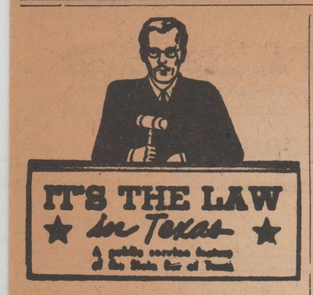


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USE OF TRADE-MARKS ANCOENT CUSTOM

Although persistent advertising has been made American acutely of the existence of trade-marks, most of us have at best a hazy idea regarding their origin and functions. Is the trade-mark a modern innovation? What does it actually do,

A trade-mark identifies merchandise as being the product of a particular manufacturer or distributor. The use of trade-marks is very ancient. They were used by the brick-markers of ancient Egypt, the lampmakers of old Athens, and the helmet makers and armorers of mediveal England. While a trade-mark is most often a word, it may also be an emblem, symbol, slogan, or other devise. The intended function of a trade-mark is to distinguish the goods of the proprietor from the goods of others in the market place. The expression "trade-mark," "brand name," or more simply 'brand" or "mark", are synonymous.

A person or company becomes the owned of common law rights in a trade-mark through adoption and use of the mark on goods. The law affords protection to the owner by prohibiting others in the field from appropriating the work or one so similar as to likely cause confusion.

There is a twofold purpose behind such legal protection: first, it protects the purchaser from deception and asures him that he is getting what he wants; and second, it protects the trade-mark owenr piracy of the good will, reputation and property rights which he has built up in a mark through manufacture or cale of merchandise carrying the mark.

Trade-mark are frequently among the greatest and most valuable assets of a company, for they symbolize the good will and reputation of the company. To achieve such a status, however, a trade-mark must be carefully selected. Among other considerations it is, of course, important that a mark be chosen which is not confusingly similar to any other trade-mark used by another on similar goods. It may be necesary to conduct a search of marks already in use in order to determine this question.

When a word symbol has been selected, it must then be properly used in connection with the goods to become a valid trade mark. Once in use, it should be carefully guarded. It is possible for a good trade-mark to lose its legal protection due to improper use by its owners or the public.

The Federal and most State government including Texas, have, by legislation, provided for the registration of trade-marks by their owners. While a trade-mark need noe be registered to receive protection in the courts, such registration does afford substantial benefits to trade-mark owners.

A Joyful Season

The remembrance of friends is one of the outstanding joys of Christmas. No wonder then, that we get such pleasure in the approach of the Holiday season, with its all-pervading spirit of friendship and good will. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.



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CORN AND BEANS—These two 15-year-olds took top spots in the junior crop contests at the International Livestock Exposition held recently in Chicago. They are Corn Prince Jerry Joe, of Shelbyville, Ind., and Bean Queen Carol Ferden of Chesaning, Mich.

Tom Winkler Hurt in Tractor Accident

By Mrs. G. T. Stephens

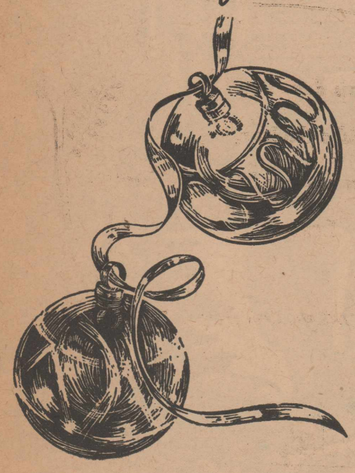
Tom Winkler received a painful back injury Saturday, December 19, when he was thrown from a tractor he was driving.

One of the tires struck something, causing it to blow out and throwing him off.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Davis and three small daughters arrived Monday for the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. P. E. Starr and Mr. Starr, and his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Allen and daughters.

GREETINGS of the CHRISTMAS SEASON





And now it's Christmas again! It's strange how quickly this day of all days slips up on us but each year as we realize that soon we will be observing this great occasion, we find ourselves more grateful for the opportunity of serving you. You have been very thoughtful and generous and in extending the greetings of the season to you, we wish to include our hearty thanks for everything. May this truly be a happy Christmas for you.

Wellington State Bank

Quails, Bobwhites Down Clarendon In Overtime Play

The Quail Quails and Bobwhites defeated Clarendon teams Friday night on the Quail court, each paying a three-minute overtime to break ties.

The Bobwhites picked up 7 points in the three minutes to win 42 to 35 over the Clarendon girls. Quail lagged during the first half of the game, and were trailing 27 to 14 at the half. They had pulled up to 35-35 as the game ended, then Erma Farris and Mary Jo Phipps added the 7 extra points, while keeping the victors from scoring at all.

Erma Farris was high point player with 15 points. This victory gives the Bobwhites 15 wins and only three losses.

The Quails also dragged through the first half and were behind 28 to 13 at the half. The tie was 42-42 at the end of the game, and during the three minute overtime Quail picked up 7 points and Clarendon .

Don Johnson was high scorer with 23 points.

QUAIL NEWS

By MRS. G. T. STEPHENS

By Mrs. G. T. Stephens

This is Christmas week, one of the happiest times of the year, especially for the children. May I take this opportunity to Wish You All a Happy Christma and a Prosperous New Year.

School will be dismissed Wednesday afternoon, December 23, for the Christmas holidays and resume classes again on Monday morning, December 28. As announced by Supt. Herman Moseley.

Mr. and Mrs. Donnal Gillian of Weatherford, Oklahoma visited all last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Pebley. Mrs. Gillian is a sister of Mr. Pebley.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Shields went to Amarillo Thursday to do some Christmas shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. DeBord attended the Golden Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Richardson of Hedley, Sunday.

Paul Bell left Sunday afternoon for a visit in Alamosa, Colorado. He expects to return Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Hall visited in Amarillo last Tuesday and Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Delmas Brewer. Mrs. Brewer is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Musgroves and son, visited in Shamrock Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Stanford. Mr. Carter's aunt and uncle.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Tidwell, and children, Marion and Almeda Sue left Saturday, December 19 for a visit in Longview with their daughter and her family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. East and children, Mary Lou and J. C. Jr. of Greenville were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Bourland Sunday afternoon. They attended church Sunday night at the Church of Christ in order to see more of their old friends.

A/1c Marvin Blevins who is stationed at Houston arrived here Saturday, December 19, to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Blevins.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Turley were Sunday diner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Shields.

Min. and Mrs. J. C. Stepp of Lelia Lake and Nelda June and Mrs. Stepp's mother, Mrs. McMinn of Childress were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Messer, Sunday.

Allan Musgroves, who is stationed at Austin, came Sunday morning to spend the Christmas holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Carter. Mrs. Musgroves and baby have been here some time visiting her parents.

R. M./1c Ted Thomas is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Thomas. He is on a fifteen day furlough.

Miss Mona Wilhite of Muleshoe came Sunday night to visit with Mrs. Bill Fletcher until Thursday. They roomed in the same dormintory at Wayland College in Plainview in their Freshman year.

Daulton Vaughn of Brisco visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pat O'Hair Sunday.

Dodson Gins Plan Long Holiday

The two Dodson gins, the Farmers Co-op and the Davis Gin, will be closed from Wednesday night, December 23, until Monday, December 28, the two managers, Ed Crowder and Marvin Wynn. have announced.

Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Lomax of Denver were guests recently of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Starr. Mrs. Lomax formerly lived here and was the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Walker of Quail.

Five year old Lee Burks, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Burks, was a medical patient in St. Joseph's Hospital two days recently.

Mrs. Dale Tollett entered St. Joseph's Hospital December 16 for treatment of injuries received in a car accident downtown.

Mrs. John Bevers was a medical patient in St. Joseph's Hospital from December 16 through 21.

J. F. Ogletree undergent medical treatment in St. Joseph's Hospital from Decemebr 17 through 19.

Mrs. J. S. Owens of Borger underwent surgery in St. Joseph's Hospital recently. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Vernon.

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COLOR COMING—Only the go-ahead signal from Washington is needed to add color to television. Proof that color TV is just around the corner is this assembly line of color tubes at the Lancaster, Pa., RCA plant. These tubes are about to undergo an "exhausting" experience as they move toward the air-exhausting machine which creates a near-vacuum within the tubes to assure successful electronic operation.



By VERN SANFORD
Texas Press Association

AUSTIN, TEX. — There was renewed rustling in the hustings this week as a prospective candidate for governor drew the line against a congressional race.

Representative Lloyd M. Bentsen Jr. of McAllen declared he would not seek re-election to Congress, and political observes pointed out he was leaving the door open to run for Governor.

Governor Allan Shivers' unannounced intentions seemed to be the key to Benten's plans, as well as those of other potential candidates.

Bentsen apparently eliminated himself from a possible race against Senator Lyndon Johnson when he stated that he and his family "want to live the year around with out Texas friends."

He is the second Shivers friend to be talked up for governor.

House Speaker Reuben Senterfitt of San Saba, a political ally of the governor during legislative sessions, was already raking speeches as a candidate.

At Lubbock, he laid out his middle-of-the-road, conservative views on government, stating the "left-wing sociolism is more dangerous than communism in Texas."

Then, on a radio hookup, he injected a potential hot issue into the campaign by attacking the muddled methods of fixing telephone rates in various cities

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Possibility that John C. White, Commissioner of Agriculture, will be a candidate for Governor appears stronger as 1954 approaches. He is listening attentively to urgings that he run.

Ralph Yarbrough also appears as a likely contender. He reports receipt of considerable mail urging that he enter the Governor's race.

Mean while, Texas Republicans have been accused of scheming to snare Democratic votes by claiming that Demo candidates also may be listed on the GOP primary ballot, with the candidate's consent or by his request.

Wallace Savage of Dallas, state Democratic chairman, charged that this cross-filin rule is a Republican admission that they have no candidates of their own.

It is an attempt to make the GOP look good in the total number of votes cast by drawing off Democratic votes, Savage charged.

A Republican spokesman, Carols G. Watson of Brownsville, replied that cross-filing by individual Democratic candidates in the GOP primary would be perfectly legal.

But, he added, the Republicans have to plan for mass cross-filing of Democrats.

Warring factions of Texas Young Democrats will submit their differences to a state convention February 26 at Mineral Wells.

A committee representing both sides had been called by senior party Chairman Savage and Mrs. H. H. Weinert of Seguin, national committeewoman.

After the battle of rules had been decided on the conservative side, the committee voted unanimously to invite Adlai Stevenson, last year's presidential candidate, to address the convention.

Each club was directed to hold an open and fair meeting in January to select delegates to the convention.

Governor Shivers spoke out against extremist splinter parties, attesting that he believes firmly in the two-party system

Addressing the Executives Club of Chicago, Shivers said he hoped that efforts to establish a third major party would continue to fail.

"I hope that our two major parties will be able to save themselves from their own extremists," Shivers told the club members.

What's to become of old folks living in substandard nursing homes?

Inspections are to begin soon, and establishments that fail to provide suitable food, quarters, sanitation and safety must be closed according to law.

Disposition of the aged persons thus displaced is "a real problem," said Dr. T. E. Todd, head of the state health department's new convalescent division. "We can't bring them to Austin," he added.

More old folks were getting help from the state than ever before.

In its annual report to the governor, the public welfare repartment said that 220,980 persons were on the old age assistance list as of September 1 this year, as compared with 219,119 persons on the same date in 952.

After 17 years of strife-torn administration, Dr. George W. Cox resigned as state health officer.

Dr. Cox, who is 73, said he did not want to continue in a job that is "hampered by lack of funds."

The resignation is effective March 1. It was accepted by the state health board, which requested that Dr. Cox serve longer if more time is needed to appoint his successor.

No request has been made of the attorney general by the State Board of Optometry for a ruling on the board's proposed regulation of optometrists.

East Texas members of the Legislature had suggested that the board ask for an opinion on its powers.

Ethics of the American Optometric Association have been adopted by the board as a standard for Texas practitioners.

One of the rules prohibits advertising by an optometrist, other than a professional card, giving the name, address, and office hours.

Opposition to this ruling came from the Texas Association of Optomerists, who believe in advertising their services and prices.

More than $5 million for construction and repair was approved by the State Board of Hospitals and Special Schools.

But there was come wrangling among contractors as to whether public works should be awarded on a general or divided contract basis.

"Mechanical and electrical prefer to bid on their own jobs," explained J. Rutledge Hill, board chairman and a Dallas contractor.

Decision of the board was that bids on future projects costing more than $1 million must be submitted both on general and divided contracts.

Christmas holiday accidents will take up the lives of 190 Texans, according to a prediction of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Based on statistical prospects and past experience, the grim forecast will be accurate if this year's fatality pattern follows that of former years.

N. K. Woerner, chief of the statistical division of the department, prophesies that 100 Texans will die in traffic, 50 will be killed in other kinds of accidents, and 40 will be victims of homicides and suicides.

All of this killing will happen, unless Texans are more careful, between December 22 and January 1. Last year there were 177 violent deaths during that period.

Youngsters from all over the state came here for the Hi-Y Legislature, introduced bills and acted just like veteran representatives and senators . . . Attorney General John Ben Sheppard says he fears a smear attack after an investigation by him into Red infiltration of Texas . . . Sheppard cited a "fake" letter as part of the move against him . . . Charles H. Tennyson, executive secretary of the Texas State Teachers Association, says the organization has a new high membership of 54,450 . . . Texas' production of commercial vegetables will be seven per cent above last year, says the U. S. Department of Agriculture . . .Livestock owners receiving aid in the federal government . . .Decision of the Department came after a complaint by Houston Harte, Jr., editor of the Snyder Daily Times, that names of the recipients had not been available.

Mrs. J. A. Graham of Denver, Colorado, is a holiday visitor here with her sisters, Mrs. E. F. Bartlett and Mrs. Bryan Denley and their families. They will be joined for Christmas by a grother and another sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fuller of Olton, and Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Shannon of Munday, and their daughter, Miss Margaret Shannon of Waco. Mrs. Graham, Mr. Fuller and Mrs. Shannon are fromer Wellington residents, and Mrs. Graham taught in the local schools some years ago. Miss Shannon is an English instructor in Baylor University.

Napoleon turned the Louvre in Paris into a museum.

Audience Large, Appreciative

300 Quail Students Present Cantata, Operatta Friday

A large and attentive audience heard more than 300 students of the Quail school present their annual Christmas program Friday evening. December 18, at the school auditorium.

The Christmas Cantata, "The Glory of Christmas," was presented by the oldest students, and "The Poor Little Rich Girl," by children of the first, second, third and fourth grades.

The nativity pageant added realism to the Christmas theme. Mrs. Ben Ratliff was narrator for the numbers.

Members of the senior choir included in their Cantata selections such well loved numbers as "Hark The Herald Angels Sing," "O, Holy Night,", "Gloria in Excelsis Deo,," "Glory to God," Adeste Fidelis," "Star of the East," the "Hallelujah Chorus," and "Joy to the World." The choir included Patsy Aaron, Sonja Atkinson, Donna Barnett, Rita Boen, Cleta Clay, Mary Birchfield, Doris Cummings, Peggy Clay, Betty Dollar, Erma Farris, Sheri Graham, Betty Gollihugh, Martha Johnson, Joyce Kennedy.

Joan Kirkland, Janelle Langford, Melba Langley, Faye Lacy, Joan Lacy, Vivian Minetrea, Sharlene Marsh Ellen Messer, Barbara Norman, Mary Jo Phipps, Glenda Phipps, Wanda Phipps, Betty Patterson, Fayteen Peeples, June Russell, Betty Strickland, LaWanda Strickland, Tommie Nell Souder, Deloris Wilfong, Barbara Weaver, Alice Wilkinson, Geneva White, Edna Wright and Patsy White.

Members of the boys speaking choir, that helped to tell the story of the cantata, were Wayne Ellis, Aven Hook, Jerry DeBord, Don McGill, Dale Ratliff, Gano Wilson, Billy Duckworth, Marion Tidwell, Jesse Burns, Ted Lee Boyce, Ronald Cummings, Evon Gollihugh, Raymond Minatrea, Dee Blasingame, Loyd Langford and Franklin Hamby.

Judith Wilson portrayed Mary in the Nativity pageant, with John Kimbro as Joseph; Jimmy Peters, Travis McGuire and Terry Smith as the wise men; Eddie Riley, Robert Welch, John Kennedy, Julius Haralson and Teddy Gentry as the shepherds.

Angles were Evelyn Brim, Sue Coates, Betty Hill, Iverna Strickland, and Patricia Depauw. Herald angels were Sharon Phipps and LaVern Minatrea. The Prophet was Danny Wheeler, and Israelights appearing in the pagenat were Maxie Baker, James Hook, Walter Neeley, Alvin Minatrea, Gus Haven ,Gene Howell, Roger Messer, Larry Gollihugh, Clifford Reeves, Carl Hoover, Neal White, Roy Gene Pate, Billy Moseley, Donald White, Don Langford, Floyd Hook, Travis Cummings, Bennie Reeves, Glen Harris, Johnny Barnett, Marcus Haralson.

Other students participating in the program were Carl Hoover, Betty Hill, Sharon Phipps, John R. Kimbrough, Julius Haralson, Elizabeth Harrison, Eddie Riley, Patricia Depauw, Joyce Kirkland, Gloria Atkinson, James Hook, Ronetta Young, Doralean Burns.

Jimmy Peters, Iverna Strickland, Teddy Gentry, Evelyn Brim, Sue Wofford, Eula Faye Baker, Jeanie Smith, Travis McGuire, Judy Pate, Juanell Ellie, Judith Wilson, Luteria Portillo, Danny Wheeler, Beaulah Price, Robert Welch, LaVern Minatrea, John Kennedy, Mavis Boyce, Clifford Reeves and Katherine Prince.

Patty Patton Linda Wade, Doris Watson, Ann Messer, Amelia Morgan, Cordelia Horris, Evelyn Iowe, Brenda White, Renee Patchell, Patsy Norman, Sue Wilson, Inois Clay and Alice Davis.

Lloyd Dean Messer, Mae Ratliff, Betty Lu Moseley, Inelda Shields, Rudell White, Linda Jenkins. Fredda Bourland, Jackie Hill, Melvin Ray Smith, Jerri Stephens. Linda Brown, Sherry McGuire, A. V. Taylor, Almeda Tidwell, James Boen, La Rita Patterson, Delmer Duckworth, Bonnie Brim.

Tommy Haralson, La Jean Harrison, Dewayne Morris, Jackie Hoover, Phenette Souder, Bobby Groves, Billy Wilson, Pauline Matthews, Rose Mary Horton, Jimmie Finley, Joe Ted Price. Barbara Kirkland, Frank Kindrick, Cheryl McGill, John Cummings, Kenneth Ward, Richard Welch, Paul Baker, Buford Wheeler and Leroy Prince.

Janice Howell, Lynda McGill, Evelyn Sue Coates, Mary Jo Boen, Mary Katherine Baggett, Billie Boyce, Willie Newman, Peggy Baker, Jamesie Lea Clay, Connie Tom Robinson, Victroia Portillo, Leona Byrd, Connie Kay Souder, Doris Blasingame, Gale Howard, Lorraine Hamby, Cleta Kennedy. and Annell Lacy.

Jamie Ross, Jimmie Crooks, Jenny Ann Kennedy, George Patchell, Edna Wofford, Richard Lee Keller, Barbara Tyler, Junior Portillo, Mary Watson, Billy Fred Cummings, Joe Chance, Dean Johnson, Jan Langford, Marilyn Anglin, Kenneth Minatrea, Billy Wayen Lindsey, Len Baker, Dan Langford, Phyllis Riley, Beverly Atkinson, Robert Hoover, J. C. Saunders, Jo Ann New, Sebern Groves and Lenoria Davis.

Duane Campbell, Kirby Word Venita Howard, Peggy Gollihugh, Mike Mitchell, Linda Langford, Donna Allred, Leetta Shields, Andrew Matthews, Robert Russell, Margie Fern White, David, Phipps, Rita Clay, Margie Depauw, Jackie Depauw Lynn Hill, Janie Patton, Carrol Kennedy, Lonnie Brim, Bob by Dale Barnett, Ann Baggett, Eddie McGill, Dolores Messer, Terry Brown, Dwight Burns, and Wayne Scott.

Members of the Rythum Band were Gary White, Joe Harris, Stanley Gosnell, Denzil Phipps, Shirley Horton, Barbara Atkinson, Helen Matthews, Diane Beattie, Sue Saunders, Carol Crooks, Rosie Baker, Rodney Hill, Ronnie Baker, Gary Chance, Tommy Baker, Lyda Kindrick, Sammie Anglin, Lynn Hamby, Charles Boen, Nancy Emmert, Dianne Moseley, Patricia Kimbro, Lonetta Neeley, Jodena Pate, Kay Blevins, Cathy Cummings and Lynn Bourland.

In charge of properties was Garroll White. Ronetta Young and Edith Messer distributed the programs.

Teachers assisting with the production were Mrs. Zella Noble, Mrs. Jim Lowe, Mrs. Lewis Morris, Mrs. Slats Debord, Mrs. J. I. Morgan, Mrs. Lester Myers, Mrs. Lowell Wells, Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, Frank Kennedy, Herman Moseley, W. F. Howard, Mrs. Ben Ratliff, Mrs. Monty Mitchell, and Johnny Parker.



The Christmas Holiday brings a welcome pause in the affairs of business—an opportunity to lay aside the ordinary routine for a time and share with our friends the good fellowship of the most enjoyable season.

Robert Posey



The Cordiality of Christmas

As we express our compliments of the Season to our friends, we are mindful of the cordiality of CHRISTMAS that results in a feeling of thankfulness for the faithful and loyal relationships of those whom we serve.

May this cordiality continue throughout the months to come.



David Robinson
Your County Clerk



Sincere Wishes

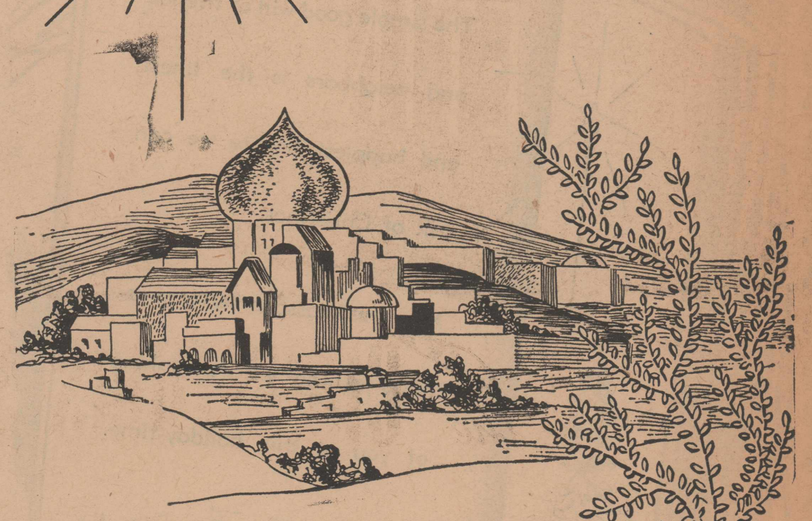
Midst the many greetings that will come to you this Christmas, we want you to include our wishes for a joyous Holiday and a Rich and Happy New Year.

Denzil Bevers
Your County Attorney

Merry Christmas

The value of our friendships is appreciated more and more as we go further and further on our business journey. To our old friends and new acquaintances we extend our sincerest wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The Toggery



"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

LUKE 2:11

Christmas Blessings and Best Wishes

Wellington Heating & Plumbing

MR. & MRS. M. W. STINGLE, OWNERS

Both Driver and Walker Have Duty

"The driver as well as the walker has a responsibility in the field of pedestrian safety."

Col. E. B. Tilley of Houston, President of Texas Safety Association, and Services Advisor for the Gulf Oil Corporation made that statement, speaking in connection with the November pedestrian safety progarm being sponsored by the Texas Safety Association in cooperation with the Department of Public Safety.

"The pedestrian has the most to lose in an encounter with an auto mobile, and should protect himself," Col. Tilley said, "but he could follow all the rules of safe walking and still become the victim of a motorist who didn't observe the rules of safe driving."

He mentioned as one of the most common driver offenders the Crosswalk Creeper, who stops at the red light but keeps edging over the line. " It gives walkers the jitters," he explained, "and makes them afraid they may be run down before they get across the street.

"And the driver who ignores the crosswalker and stops half or all the way across it is just as bad," Col. Tilley, said.

"Then there's the fellow who blows his horn without slowing down and expects the pedestrian to get ou of his way," he pointed out.

"The Traffic Light Jumper is even more dangerous," he said. "This driver watches the light and, the instant it changes, zooms off without checking to see if a pedestrian is in the way.

"Such poor driving habits can be dangerous, both to the motorist and to the pedestrian," Col Tilley said. Motorists need to follow all the rules of safe driving, all the time, to insure their safety and the safety of the often innocent pedestrian.

W. W. Vernon was a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital recently.



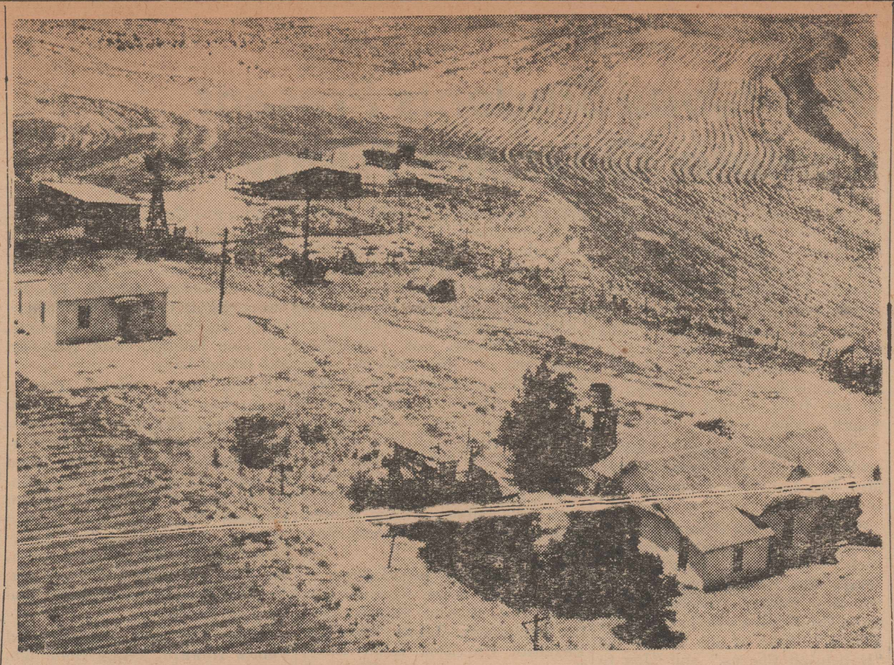
Our Christmas Wish

"On earth, peace and good will toward man."

To You and Yours from All of Us.

You've helped make Christmas merry for us, and we're grateful to all of our customers.

TOM'S RED TOP CAFE



Many Improvements Since 1941

Rolan Bryan Home North of Lutie Identified as Mystery Farm No. 16

One of the recent Mystery Farms run was that of Mr. and Mrs. Rolan Bryan, located five miles north and one west of Lutie. This has been the family home since 1941.

The farm was first identified by Charley Caldwell of Wellington. The Bryan family failed to see the paper with the farm picture featured and weren't aware of it until Mr. Caldwell, on his way to Shamrock, stopped off to tell them.

Others who guessed Mystery Farm 16 correctly were Jack Deger, Mrs. Robert Baxter, Mrs. John Simpson, Mrs. Nettie Brown, Ted Brock and Boyd Derryberry.

Old timers know this as the old Brothers place. Later on it was owned by R. O. Gregory for a number of years, and it was from him that Mr. and Mrs. Bryan bought the farm.

They have done considerable improvement to the farm. The house has been remodeled and made modern, a rent house and a number of outbuildings put up.

The land has been put under soil conservation practices, part of it was planted to alfalfa and a diversion terrace built. The place has been terraced and crops are planted on the contour.

This is a sandy-land farm, but Bryan is proud of the fact that it won't blow.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan have lived in the county since 1928, moving from Arkansas, where both were born and reared, he at Charleston and she at Ozark. Mrs. Bryan is the former Veta Kizer.

They have three sons, Jay Bryan, graduate of Texas Tech and now county agent of Knox County; Harold, a guard at Pantex; and Earl Wayne, a freshman at Tech.

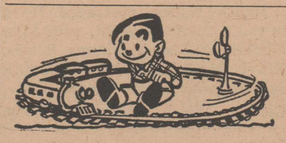
They are members of the Samnorwood Baptist Church and active in its work.

Mr. Bryan operates 440 acres in feed and cotton, although there are only 160 acres in the home place He has mixed cattle and now is developing a herd of registered Hampshire hogs.

Tamara Raburn, year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Raburn, was a medical patient in St. Joseph's Hospital from December 9 to 12.

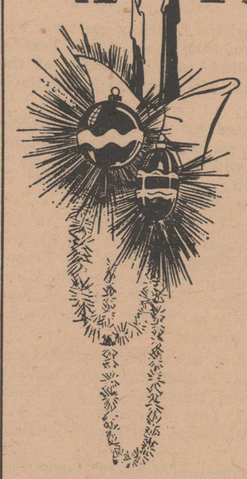
Guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Duncan and Miss Mary Duncan Sunday were Mrs. W. M. Cook and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ewing of Clarendon.

Mrs. W. O. McKinney of Dodson underwent major surgery in St. Joseph's Hospital December 11.



A FRIENDLY GREETING *from...* A FRIENDLY FIRM





Hi, neighbor! Here's just a friendly little message to you at Christmas from a concern that deeply appreciates your thoughtful consideration in the past

Herman Childress Mattress Co.

Crossroads Report

Dear Mr. Ike:

I have been so busy the last couple of weeks trying to figure out where the money is coming from for my next insurance premium that I haven't had time to give due thought to this plan you have proposed for an international atomic pool. However, when it first made the headlines and the Russians set their dogs on it, I was pretty sure it was all right. Practically anything they are against is bound to be good.

But now I notice that the Kremlin is commencing to warm up to the idea, and so I wonder of something hasn't been overlooked. Maybe we had better scrutinize the blueprints again and see if we can't eliminate whatever it is the Russians like about it.

Any enterprise which they are willing to take part in must be loaded in their favor and is liable to wind up with about the same salubrious results as bedding down with any other kind of a polecat.

D. E. SCOTT
Crossroads, U. S. A.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted O'Neil of Whitney were recent visitors with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Austin O'Neil. O'Neil is manager of the Stiner Valley Polled Hereford Ranch at Whitney. From here he went to Follett to look over a herd of Polled Hereford bulls.

Johnny Lee Cooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cooper Jr. of Mineral Wells, underwent a tonsilectomy in St. Joseph's Hospital December 9. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Bearden.

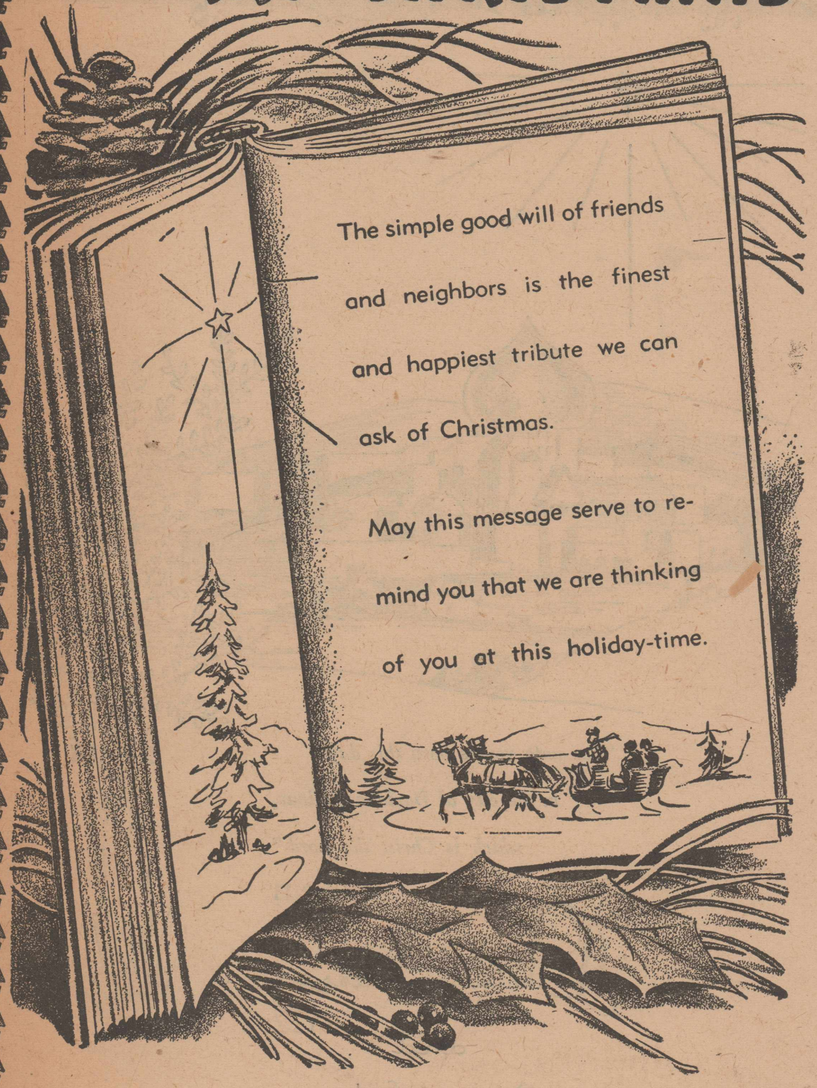


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When colds, measles or flu leave you with a cough get Creomulsion quick because it soothes raw throat and chest membranes, loosens and helps expel germy phlegm, mildly relaxes systemic tension and aids nature fight the cause of irritation. You'll like its results better than other medicine or druggist refunds your money. No narcotics. Pleasant to take.

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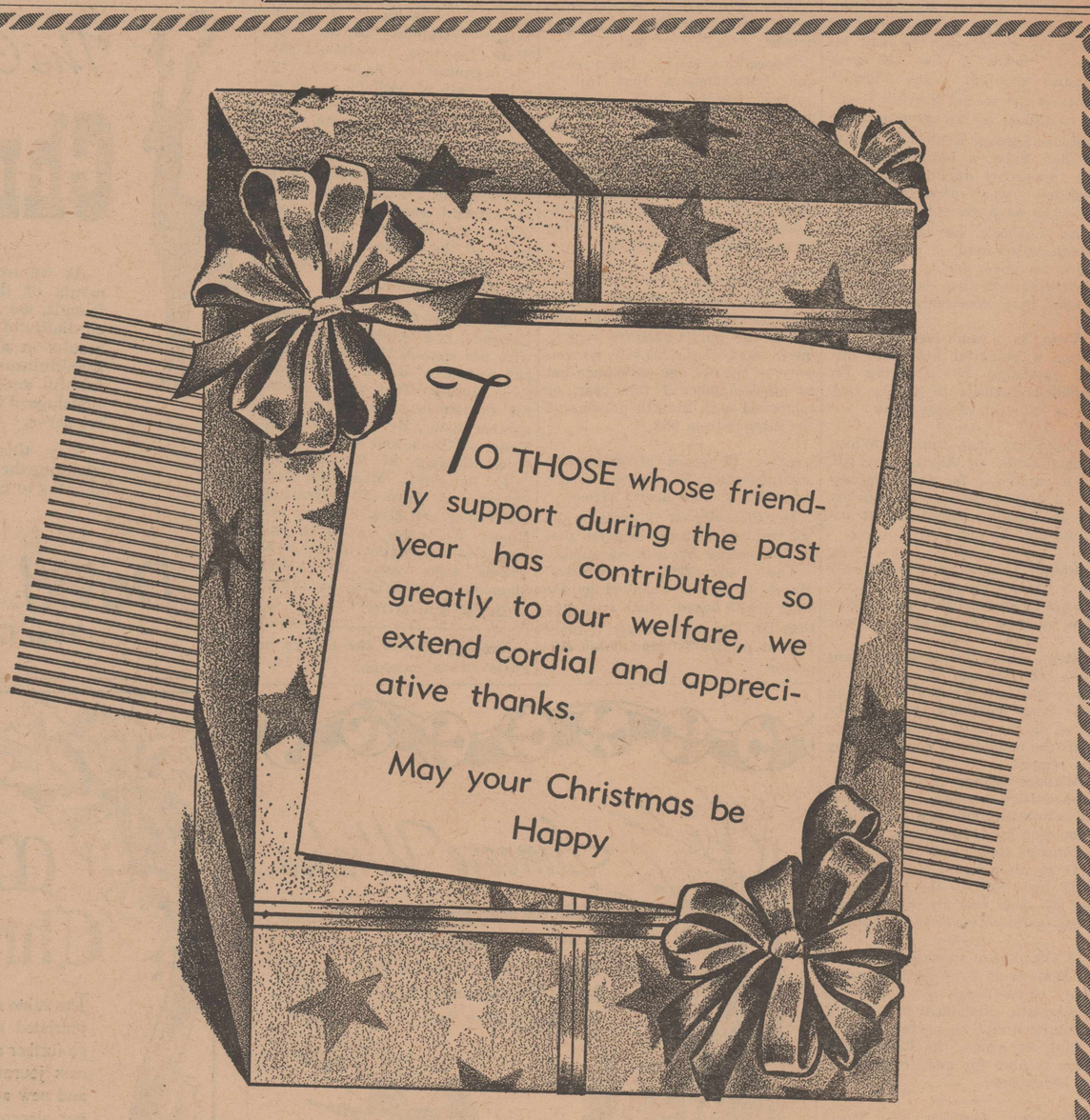
MERRY CHRISTMAS



The simple good will of friends and neighbors is the finest and happiest tribute we can ask of Christmas.

May this message serve to remind you that we are thinking of you at this holiday-time.

Shamburger Lumber Co., Inc.



TO THOSE whose friendly support during the past year has contributed so greatly to our welfare, we extend cordial and appreciative thanks.

May your Christmas be Happy

Owens & Scott Grocery
Steve Owens Oil & Gas

EDITORIAL COMMENT — THE WELLINGTON LEADER

Thursday, December 24, 1953

The County Needs Them

A group of 4-H boys and girls of Kingman county will meet tonight at their annual achievement banquet which marks the end of another year of education, inspiration and pleasant association of young people who are taking part in a campaign to revive a waning appreciation of rural living.

While training in agriculture and home economics is always commendable, the mental training of these clubs toward a personal development and a realization of the pleasant possibilities of farm life is just as important, if not more .so It takes people with fine ideals and new ideas to build fine communities we need Club work is developing that kind of people.

Granted that agriculture is the basic industry of this county and one upon which all other industries and people depend for their very existence, there has been entirely too much preaching to the farmer about how he is abused, rather than by teaching the possibilities of maintaining an ideal home and community. All our teaching has been devoted to a more efficient agricultural production, with very little on how to live. Agricultural statistics show what the dairy cow produces more butterfat than she did a few years ago. The hens lay more eggs, the hogs produce more pork and the bees make more honey. But even so, there are less than half as many gardens as there were 20 years ago, there are less fruit trees and there are less small tracts from which families formerly got a part of their living.

Time formerly spent in the garden and in the orchard is now spent in farming a larger number of acres. The crops we do not need are increasing while those we do need are decreasing Farmers to say, truthfully, "We may be hard up, but they can't starve us." They can't say that today.

It is through the 4-H clubs that leaders are being trained to preserve the family life and make it more nearly self supporting, and it is through them that farm communities will be able to withstand the impact of machine agriculture and the individuals will have a better appreciation of rural privileges and a pride in a farm home and its surroundings.—F. J. C.

—The Kingman Kansas Journal

Don't Let Death Take Your Holiday

"Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way, Oh what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh!"

You don't see many one-horse open sleighs at Christmas time nowadays, but the spirit that prompted the famous song is as strong as ever.

Christmas still means happiness and good will . . . the spirit of giving and of rejoicing . . . the homy pleasures of visiting and merry making.

But today things are done with the modern touch. The presents and the merry makers are piled into the family car and whisked away to the family feast in much greater comfort than in the days of the one-horse sleigh.

Unfortunately, we can't say that they travel with more safety than they did when Old Dobbin provided the transportation.

The Texas Safety Association states that modern roads and modern touch-control automobiles should make for safe riding. But the human factor enters in. The speed potential and the ease of operation trick many a driver into recklessness or heedlessness. He steps on the gas, lets his mind dwell on his holiday plans, and is unprepared for a sudden emergency.

That's why so many holiday makers land in the hospital—or worse.

Let's all be sensible about the business of celebrating this year. Let's be determined to stay alert every minute we're at the wheel . . . keep our minds strictly on the business of driving . . take special precautions whenever the weather warrants . . and never drive after drinking!

Then death won't take our holiday!

Enthusiasm Is Priceless

"Enthusiasm is the greatest asset in the world," says Henry Chester "It beats money and power and influence. Single-handed the enthusiast convinces and dominates where wealth, accumulated by a small army of workers, would scarcely raise a tremor of interest.

Enthusiasm tramples over prejudices and opposition, spurns inaction, storms the citidel for its objective, like an avalanche overwhelms and engulfs all obstacles. It is nothing more or less than faith in action.

—Willard Jones in The Hamlin Herald

Looking Ahead With George S. Benson

"LET IT BE TAUGHT!"

"Let it be taught in schools in seminaries, and in colleges; let it be written in primers, in spelling books and in almanacs; let it be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed in legislative halls, and enforced in courts of justice. And in short, let it become the political religion of the nation." Abraham Lincoln said that. He was speaking of the United States Constitution. Lincoln also said: "As the patriots of '76 did to the support of the Declaration of Independence, so to the support of the Constitution . . . let very American pledge his life, his property, and his sacred horor."

Lincoln knew, as well as any man of history, that the great founding documents of America breathed the spirit of Christianity and provided the framework for maintaining the nation's strength and the individaul's freedom. Benjamin Franklin, who helped frame the Constiution, had known this too. When the work on the Constitution had been finished, he said to the Convention delegates: "You have a Republic—if you can keep it!"

Bill of Rights

Thomas Jefferson, who wrote the Declartion of Independence, revered the Constitution, through he had had no part in its writing. He helped prepare the "Bill of Rights," the first 10 amendments which were attached two years after the Constitution itself was ratified. And why was the Bill of Rights necessary? Many of Jefferson's colleagues asked that question.

Jefferson replied that although most of the freedoms set forth in detail in the prosed amendments were written into the Constitution itself in general terms, he felt they should be felt they should be spelled out and reemphasized. The writers of the Constitution had noted that each state had its own Bill of Rights; and that these guaranteed all the freedoms. But Jefferson and others pressed for the amendments. They were acceptable, of course, to everybody—includng the writers of the Constitution — Madison, Washington, Franklin, Wilson and the others. All were quite willing to emphasize and reemphasize the nature of individual freedom within the nation.

Spelling Out Freedom

Article 1 (of the Bill of Rights) specifically sets forth freedom of worship, of speech, of press, and freedom to assemble and to petition for redress of grievances. Article II acknowledges the rigth of the people to keep and bear arms. Article III acknowledges the asncitity of privat property—prohibiting the quartering of soldieds in any house without consent of the owners. Article IV details the rights of citizens to be secure in their person, houses, papers, and effects against unreasonable searches and seizures.

Article V provides that no person shall be arrested for a crime without a prior presentment or indictment by a Grand Jury; that no person shall be twice placed in jeopardy for the same offense; nor shall anyone be compelled in a criminal case to be a witness against himself. Article V also restates the sanctity of private property—declaring that a person cannot be "deprived of life, liberty, or property without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation."

For the Accused

Article VI protects the accuset. It guarantees the right to public trial; the right to information on the nature of the accusation; the right to be confronted with the accusers, to subpoena defense witnesses, and to have access to counsel.Article VII provides similiar rights in civil cases according to the rules of the common law. Article VIII restricts bail to a reasonable amount and prohibits excessive fines and cruel and unusual punishments.

Artiele IX makes it clear that the Constitution points to certain rights specifically but that in so doing it does not deny or disparage other rigths retained by the people. Article X is the "States' Rights" amendment. It says: "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited to the States respectively, or to the by it to the States, are reserved people." This Bill of Rights spells out some important freedoms. But they cannot survive unless the citizens enjoying them accept the individual responsibilities which are the price of freedom.

The Buck Creek Philosopher



Philosopher on his Johnson grass-farm on Buck Creek detects a crack in the Iron Curtain, he claims this week.

Dear editar:

In the cold war fought with hot words with Russia these days, lots of people get into the habit of thinkin all the blunders are being made by us, that the Russians are almost all-seein and everything comes off accordin to their schedule.

There's nothing to it. We don't hear about it, but Russia makes as many busts as other countries, maybe more.

The reason I know this is that every once in a while a little information leaks out from that ruthless country.

The other day I was out here lookin over anewspaper, I forget which one it was, it doesn't matter, the difference between lots of dailies is that one of em prints Drew Pearson on page 4 and the other one exerts its individuality and prints him on page 2, and ran across an item that convinced me Russia is slippin.

Accordin to this item, Russia is now making loans to some of its allies. For example, she has just loaned North Korea a billion rubles, about 250 million dollars, and has shipped her a lot of free food and has also agreed to postpone payment of loans previously made.

Personally, I'm glad to hear this. What it means is that Russia is on the way to losin its allies.

One of the foremost lessons of history is that they way to loss friends among nations is to loan em money, then postpone the payments when they come due. Ship em a lot of food, and you set a program in motion that generally leads to unfriendliness, on account of the only way you can keep up their friendship is by sendin em more food after that, then more after that, and the minute you let up, they turn on you.

Hence as far as I can see it's good news that Russia is goin into the loanin business.

Also, I noticed in another paper where the Russian government has lost its title to two estates on Long Island because of failure to pay the taxes. As I understand it the Russians bought the places to live in while attending the United Nations meetings, and while the Russian big shots aren't in the habit of payin taxes, the rule only applies to estates in Russia, not in the United States.

Loanin money to your friends and failin to pay your taxes are two of the best ways I konw to hit the skids. Everyone's not as sound in Russia as Russia pretends.

Yours faithfully,
J. A.

At birth a kangaroo is only one or two inches long.

The drug in tea is caffein.

Marriage Licenses

Marriage license recorded in the office of David Robinson, county clerk, during the past few weeks are:

Albert Alexander Daly and Mrs. Jeneldia Leraldine Miller of Hillsborough, Fla., December 7.

George William Wells and Mrs. Hazel Euncie Lloyd, of Greer County, December 18.

Jerry Lavon Hamby and Miss Mary Beatrice Claunch of Collingsworth county, December 18.

Tommy Cook and Miss Cecilia Ann Zinn of Greer county.

Mount Blanc is the highest peak of the Alps.

"Loose milk" is that sold from open containers.

A ring stamped 18K is 75 per cent gold.

Scent is the best-developed sense in most animals.

Bebay beavers are called kittens.

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Our Annual

CHRISTMAS GREETING



We are always glad of the opportunity to say "Hello" to our friends but somehow no occasion affords a better opportunity than Christmas to add a word of good wishes.

The associations we've enjoyed in the past are many and we are grateful for them. We appreciate what they stand for and with the passing of each year, we become more and more impressed with the true value of genuine friendships. The faithfulness of those whom we strive to serve has been invaluable in the progress of this organization.

In recognition of your consideration and patronage in the past, we desire to express our sincere good wishes to each of you for a happy Christmas and a New Year filled to overflowing with joy and prosperity.

L. A. Cartwright, Mgr.

WELLINGTON GIN

Two National Citations Announced at VFW

Announcement that the Glynn Moore VFW Post had received two national citations was made at the traditional Christmas dinner held at the VFW Hall recently.

One citations was for the October Offensive, in which at least 10 per cent of the post was actively working on some project. The second citation was awarded the post for having 65 of the 1953 members already enrolled for 1954.

Hosts at the occasion were Messrs and Mmes Jack Stewart, Ruel W. Alexander, Joe Coleman, Howard Hunt, Durant McInnis, Carl Crosnoe and Jim Leach.

The traditional turkey dinner was served, and later Santa Claus distributed gifts from the Christmas tree.

Attending were Messrs and Mmes Louis Berg, James Richard and daughters, Herbert Bearden and daughters, Sam Thompson and daughters, Jim Ray, Quinton Brewer and children, Paul Spillman and son, Clyde Alexander, John Graves and children.

Messrs. and Mmes. McClelland and children, Buster Hughs and children, Donald Curry and daughters, Hubert Mauldin and sons, James Covey and sons, Hiram Cudd and Dennis Earl, Eugene Morrow, H. A. Painter, Hubert Leach, J. B. King and daughters.

Messrs and Mmes R. T. Savage and son, Guy Clay, Harold Darby, Junior Owens, LeRoy Oswalt and children, Jack Scott and children, Taylor Lowrie, and Herman Childress and children, Dr. and Mrs. E. K. Jones and children, Judge and Mrs. R. D. Horton and children, Dr. and Mrs. Curtis Thaxton and daughter.

Also Mrs. Odis Killingsworth and daughters, Messrs, M. P. Graves, L. D. Stewart of Monahans, Bill Stewart of Monahans, W. C. Shadix of Childress, Jack Strong, Tommy Stall and Leonard Bumpas.

Other children attending were Eddie Hunt, Sandra McInnis, Ann Coleman, Deanna Kersten/ and David Kersten.

Patsy White 4-H Christmas Hostess

Miss Patsy White was hostess at A Christmas party for members of the Quail junior and seniors 4-H Clubs at her home Wednesday, December 16.

The girls played games and sang Christmas carols. Later they opened their gifts, then were served refreshments of hot chocolates with pastel colored marshmallows and cookies.

Attending were Linda Brown, Fredda Bourland, Renee Patchell, Patty Patton, Judy Pate, Gloria Atkinson, Betty and Jean Harrison, Jeannie Smith, Sharon Phipps, and Mmes. Dudley Phipps, Patton, Atkinson, Fred Bourland, Johnny Parker, Harrison, Mr. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Boge White and the hostess, Patsy White.

Wellington HD Club Has Christmas Party

The North Wellington Home Demonstration Club met December 17, with Mrs. Jess Cook as hostess.

The Christmas theme was used in decorations throughout the entertaining rooms. Members sang "Silent Night," followed by the Christmas Story from St. Luke by Mrs. J. A. Lowe, Mrs. A. V. Cocke gave sketches of Christmas eraditions.

Gifts were exchanged.

Refreshments were served to Mmes. Brewster, A. V. Cocke, Jewell Childress, L. L. Easter, Forbes, Walter Franks, J. G. Gardner, A. B. Hicks, Andy Lowe, Thomas Jesse, Homer Hilton, P. E. Lowrie, Morgan Tucker, Grady Van Pelt, C. A. Rudy and Miss Jessie Fuson.

The next meeting will be January 5 at the home of Mrs. Brewster.



STAR STEER—Carlyle and Sue Greathouse, 18-year-old twins of Hindsboro, Ill., proudly pose with "Little Stuff," their 1050-pound Black Aberdeen Angus steer. "Little Stuff" was named Junior Champion Steer of the International Livestock Exposition held recently in Chicago, but only after the disqualification of another steer discovered to be over age.

Mrs. Steve Owens YWA Hostess

Blanche Groves Y. W. A. Christmas Party, December 14th at Mrs. Steve Owens Home. A delicious dinner of turkey and dressing with all the trimmings was served to the following members and guests: LaNora Stall, Mary Ruth Stall, Patsy Patton, Shirley Pritchard, Patsy Balcom, Maxine Uselton, Carlene Uselton, Cliffa Jean Langford, Betty Karnes, June Ann Thompson, Cynthia Akins, Helen Gardner, Mrs. Raymond Patton, and the hostess, Mrs. Steve Owens.

Following the dinner there was a short business meeting, with Maxine Uselton, President, in charge. The evening was spent exchanging gifts and singing Christmas Carols. Fruit was brought for underprivileged children in this community.

Homemaking Girls Tea Hostesses

A Christmas tea and highlight for girls of the homemaking department of Wellington high school was the silver tea and style show Wednesday afternoon, December 16, from thre eto four o'clock. It was held in the homemaking rooms.

Greeting the guests wer Wanda Shinn, Frankie Sue Campbell, Gwen Davis and Carolyn Scott.

The tea table was centered with a Christmas arrangement, and this themem was also carried out in the other decorations all made by the girls.

Cranberry punch and cookies were served by Linda Singley, Nell Gholson and Mary Jane Hite. Christmas songs were given by Doris Lewis and Beatrice Hutchins.

Script for the style show was written by Lindel White, who also served as narrator. The girls modeled dresses they had made for themselves, and several were accompanied by small children modeling clothing they had also made. These included Tanya White, Kathryn Cates, Rita Ann King and her brother, Lynn King, Deann Lockhart, Lahanda Mayhugh, Donna Black and Connie Roberts, Renee Thomason and Judy Stanley, Wanda June Reynolds and her brother, Elmer Wayne Reynolds, Ginger Steward, and Donna Sue Lewis and her niece Cherry Lewis.

Miss Sandra Ainsworth, homemaking instructor, assisted the girls in planning the tea.

Attending were a large group of mothers and high school girls.

Belles Lettres Has Dinner

Members of the Belles Lettres Club entertained their husbands at the annual Christmas dinner Tuesday evening, December 15, in the home of Mrs. Judge Holton.

Co-hostesses with her were Mmes. Jim Wood, F. A. Hatch and A. B. Clark.

Gaily lighted outdoor Christmas trees and Santa in a winodw greeted the guests. The entertaining rooms featured Christmas decorations.

The turkey dinner was served buffet style from a table covered with a cutwork cloth and centered with a large candle mounted on florist foam. Surrounding it was Christmas greenery, interesperced with Christmas balls and pink carnations.

Following dinner gifts were exchanged from the decorated tree, and Christmas carols were sung around the piano. Mrs. Velman Warrick was accompanist.

Later, 42 was played, with Bess Owen winning high, Cicero Gulley low, and E. F. Bartlett the traveling prize.

Attending were Messrs. and Mmes. Hiward Riggs, Velman Warrick, Cicero Gulley, Dick Richards, Esdel Bartlett, Bess Owen, Bryan Denley, Charles Roberts, J. W. Holder, A. B. Clark, F. A. Hatch, Jim Wood; Mrs. Zook Thomas, Mrs. Cecil Leggitt, Mrs. J. M. Stowell, Mrs. Holton, and Cameron Beam.

Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a fire truck with a siren and bell. I have been a good boy all the time.

I have decided to write you a letter because you were so good to me at the Church tonight. I am happy you were so nice to me.

I Love You Dear Santa,
Henry Willis Wells

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl seven years old and in the second grade. I want to write for my brothers.

Santa Granvil is eleven and he wants just about anything. He'll like a pellet pistol or a basket ball.

Gary Lynn is five and he wants a car, truck, tractor or a tool chest.

Mark D is ten months and likes everything, but if you have an extra baby doll please give him one because he sure likes to play with mine. I would like a real pretty doll also.

Please remember Cherry and all the other boys and grils.

We Love You,
Vicki Gaye Killian



FAIR PAIR—A pair of queens, back-to-back, lend their blonde beauty to Waikiki Beach in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a bicycle, walking doll and a little teddy bear. Don't forget Jackie Don. He wants a tricycle, Clown and teddy bear. We would like some fruit and candy.

Love,
Belinda Stewart

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy. Please bring me a football helmet and nuts, candy and fruit.

Love,
Tim Bailey

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a wardrobe for my sweet Sue Walker and a nurse kit. My little brother wants a small teddy bear. My other brother wants a football helmet. Please don't forget the nuts, apples and candy. I'm eight years old. I have been pretty good girl. Please remember my little friends.

Love,
Judy Bailey

Editors note—Judy has drawn a Christmas scene at the top of her letter wishing every one a merry Christmas.

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a small teddy bear. I can't eat nuts and candy and apples, but I can eat a milky way. I think I have been good, by.

Merry Christmas to you,
Little Ted Steven Bailey

Samnorwood, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy nine years old and I want a train with a depot. a watch and a wagon.

Mike Wischkeamper

Shamrock, Texas

Dear Santa,

We are two little boys 7 and 4 years old. We would like for you to bring us anything that boys that age play with. Jay would especially like a big truck and loader.

Your Friend,
Bill and Jay Wischkaemper

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl almost 4 years old. I have been extra good this year. Please bring me a walking doll, a doll buggy and a little stove and a washing machine, also fruit, nuts and candy. Please don't forget to stop at 9th and Childress.

Love,
Vikki Ann Saunders

Former Residents Hurt in Wreck

E. W. Jenkins and Mrs. Roy Thomason have received word that their three teen-age nieces in Oklahoma City were injured about noon Sunday, December 20, in a car accident.

The girls are LaHonda and Joyce Hardin, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hardin, who formerly lived at Samnorwood and Wellington, where Mrs. Harbin taught, and Wanda Leah Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lewis, who formerly lived at Dodson.

The accident occured as the grils were going home from church, when the brakes on their car went out and it went over a 20-foot enbankment.

They were cut and bruised and one received a broken arm, Mrs. Jenkins said.

Christmas lighting sets that bear the Underwriters' Laboratories seal of approval are the safest for holiday use.

Keep your Christmas tree fresh by keeping it away from sources of heat, such as radiators, TV sets, floor furnaces and fire places.



Season's Greetings

May this Holiday Season bless your heart with love, your mind with peace, and your life with happiness.

AL'S TEXACO SERVICE
Wellington, Texas

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Holiday Wishes

Once more it's a joyous occasion for us to send to our friends the Greetings of the Season and to wish them a Cheerful Christmas...a New Year of success and good health.

PETE SCOTT and SON
Grocery and Station

On Highway 83 Open Fri., Sat., Sun.

Merry Christmas

The Season's Best Wishes

As the lights of the Holiday Season beam bright and glorious, we wish all of our friends and patrons a full measure of joy and happiness for Christmas and the New Year.

We Will Be Closed Fri., Sat., Sun.

Arkie's Cafe

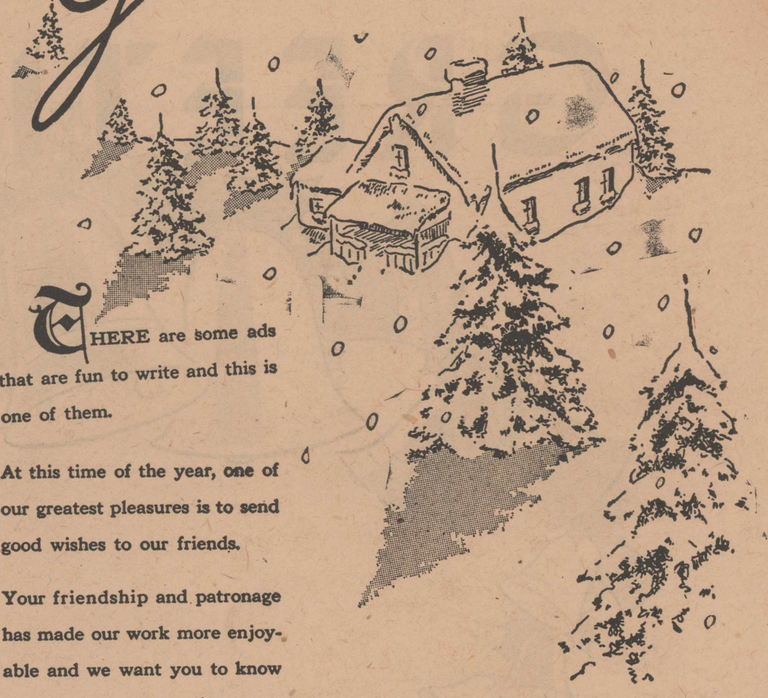
SOUTHEAST CORNER SQUARE

Sincerest wishes...

It is our privilege each year to express our warmest Christmas Greetings to those we are proud to call our friends and patrons. May we say once more that we have appreciated your confidence in the past and that we will never cease trying to make each new year rich in neighborliness and good will for you. To everyone we wish a Merry Christmas and a Bountiful New Year.

COCHRAN DRUG

Season's Greetings



THERE are some ads that are fun to write and this is one of them.

At this time of the year, one of our greatest pleasures is to send good wishes to our friends.

Your friendship and patronage has made our work more enjoyable and we want you to know that we truly appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Thompson Cleaners

Phone 409 South Side Square

Letters to Santa Claus

Samnorwood, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

I'm a little girl eight years old. I want you to bring me a nurse kit. Will you bring me a bride doll, a blackboard and a pair of shoes. Don't forget all of the children of the world.

With Love,
Twanna Ross

Samnorwood, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little boy five years old. I want a guitar, cattle truck with cows, horses, goats, pig. I want you to bring me a gun and holster.

With Love,
Johnny Ross

Samnorwood, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little girl 9 years old and I want a nurse kit, a bride doll, blackboard and a pair of shoes, also nuts, candy and fruit.

With Love,
LaDonna Ross

McLean, Texas
Quail Route

Dear Santa,

Please, bring me a doll bed (a big one) and a doll named Tiny Tears. Remember all the other little boys and girls that go to school at Samnorwood.

Love,
Janice Cochran

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl three years old. For Christmas I want a stick horse. You might bring me a doll if you have one, but please don't forget the stick horse.

See you soon,
Mary Karen Bearden

Wellington, Texas
December 19, 1953

Dear Santa Claus,

I wish that you would bring me a doll for Christmas. A little suitcase would be nice, too.

Love,
Trip

Dumas, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl 4 years old. I have tried to be good this year, so will you please bring me a doll, dishes, silverware, stove, telephone and story book.

Please don't forget my little brother who is six months old. He would like to have a Teddy bear, doll and chocolate candy.

Please don't forget my little friend Stevie and Deborah, my cousins Betty and Linda.

Don't forget candy, nuts, and fruit.

We Love You,
Barbara and Randy Bullington

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl 7 years old in the first grade. Please bring me a twin dolls and nurse set. Please remember my mother, daddy and brother.

Love,
Beatrice Beard

Hi Santa,

I have tried to be a good girl this year. I am 8 years old and in the second grade. For Christmas I want a billfold, doll and some doll clothes. Don't forget my teacher, Mrs. Welch.

Bye,
Elaina Bearden

December 19, 1953

Dear Santa Claus,

Would you please bring me a cash register, and bring me some nuts and candy.

From Janyth Estes

Dear Santa,

I have tried to be a good little boy. Please bring me a trumpet and a air gun and some games. My little sister Katy wants a rocking horse and a ball. We would like some candy, fruit and nuts. Please don't forget Miss Austin, she is my teacher. Remember all our little friends.

We will see you soon,
Mike and Kathy Wolf

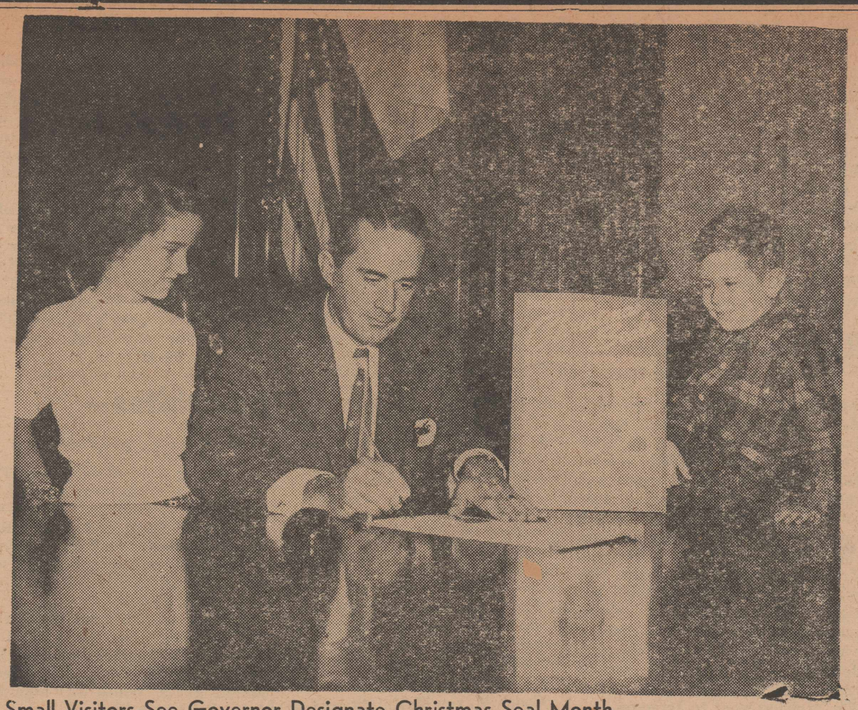
Quail, Texas
December 18, 1953

Dear Santa Claus,

We're two little boys age 3 and 4 1/2 years. We're very excited about Christmas but its awfully hard for little boys to be good all the time. We're trying tho.

Please bring us each a cap shotgun, a train set and maybe you'd have some new cowboy boots for us too as ours are about worn out. Don't forget baby sister, our cousins Patti, Judy and Tony, as well as all the other children.

Love,
Robert and John Blevins



Small Visitors See Governor Designate Christmas Seal Month

Donald Iglehart, 5, and his sister Becky, 11, look on as Governor Allan Shivers signs an offcail memoranda designating November 16—December 25 as Christmas Seal Month. The young visitors who live in Dallas were waiting in his office to shake the gubernatioral hand when the memorandum was placed on his desk. An alert cameraman caught their intent interest ashe penned his signature.

CARD OF THANKS

The kindness, sympathy and help of neighbors and friends in the fire at our home Sunday night, will always remain with us a precious memory. Our sincere thanks and for all those gratitude for all those comforting acts. We also want to thank the Wellington Volunteer Fire Department.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tate
and family

PERSONAL

Ray Hill of Mishawaka, Indiana, arrived Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hill and sister, Nancy. Hill is employed by the Western Electric Telephone Company doing installation. He has been on a job at Terre Haute, Indiana, and recently was transferred to Crawfordsville to another job.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Duncan and son, Carroll, and his father H. L. Duncan, went to Oklahoma City Monday, where A. L. Duncan entrede McBride Bone and Joint Hospital for an examination. He has been suffering from a back ailment from some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Hill of the Needwood commmunity are visiting this week with relatives in Roswell, N. M.

DR. JOEL M. GOOCH
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Each Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday



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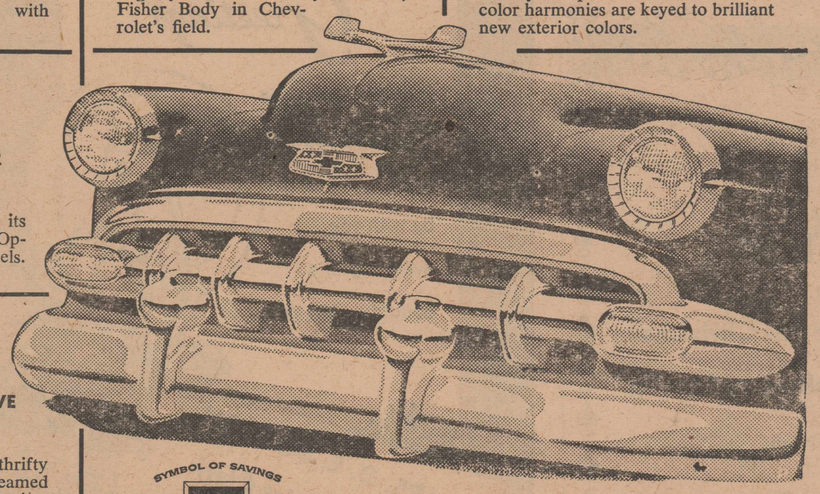
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YULE GREETINGS



to All Our Friends

With the splendid remembrances of the harmonious associations we have had with our many good friends in this area during the past, we eagerly look forward to a continuance of them in the future.

We sincerely hope that these friendships have been as pleasant to you as they have been to us.

May this be your happiest Christmas and may the New Year bring you some new joy each day.

Jack Gibson Motor Co.

Deck's DIDACTICS

—By Deskins Wells

Merry Christmas to all of you We are grateful for the many fine acts of friendship that so many of you have done for us during the past year.

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It has been a trying year in many respects: but we should be grateful for the comparative good fortune that has come to our community.

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Do you realize that Collingsworth County will probably gin more cotton this year than the counties of Childress, Cottle, Hall and Wheeler. In some years Hall and Cottle exceed our production and the other two are generally not far behind.

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Irrigation is in its infancy in this country: but its signifiance should not be taken lightly. It could revolutionize the economy of this community. It is one of the most hopeful things that has occured in Collingsworth in recent years.

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Last summer Duard Scott started writing a column for the daily papers and it seems to be expanding in fine fashion. It is short and easy to read. It is laden with the thinking of an old fashioned young man who still believes that the way to have more is to work more—not less. But it is seasoned with the humor of a plainsman. Below you will find a sample.

Dear Mr. Ike:

Over in Cleveland recently, the CIO people embarked on a drive to get themselves a guaranteed annual wage, as possibly you noticed if you have been reading the papers dilegently. The reporters failed to mention it if there was any concurrent discussion of weather to guarantee the employer his money's worth.

I can imagine how comforting a guaranteed income would be, but I expect that a chronic worrier like me could still find some uncertainty to fret about, such as how good the guarantee was. Most of the times I have tried to collect on a guarantee there has been some fine print on it, or the guaranteer was missing or broke, and I have been left about as bad off as if I didn't have any guarantee.

After all, it is going to be hard to beat the old fashioned system where a man guaranteed his own annual wage by turning out so much work that his employer couldn't afford to lay him off.

D. E. SCOTT

Crossroads, U. S. A.

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It was quite a colorful party that was held at the benefit ball last Saturday. There will be a story with pictures in the paper next week. The engraver was late in getting the pictures to us, due to the Christmas rush: so we decided to hold the story until next week. Horace Small went as an Indian and along in the course of the evening he said: "It is getting late, I've got to get back to Oklahoma and get my part of the land." Ernest Nunnelley remarked: "If you go back looking like that, they will put you on a reservation."

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The political hopefuls are beginning to flex their muscles. It looks like Senterfitt and White are already in the race: but the big question mark is Allan Shivers. Will he run for Governor again or will he run for the U. S. Senate?

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There is going to be one headache for some candidates of the conservative type and those who believe in states rights. The Republicans will cross-file for many of the smaller offices. It is legal in Texas under our election law, which was written by an old Collingsworth boy, Dr. Penn Cagle of Baylor University. California has had such a law for years and it is chiefly responsible for electing such outstanding men as Gov. Warren.

Posey Collegiate Press President

James Posey, junior in Bethany Peniel College, Bethany, Oklahoma, recently was elected president of the Oklahoma Collegiate Press Association, the top office a college journalism student of that state can hold.

Posey is here for the Christmas holidays visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Posey.

All universities, senior and junior colleges of the state are members of the Oklahoma Collegiate Press Association.

"I was certainly surprised to get the honor. since I'm in one of the smaller colleges, and a Texan, too," Posey commented.

He also recently attended the Conference of the Associated Collegiate Press Association in Chicago.

Posey is editor of the college newspaper, the Reville Echo, a member of the student council and president of the Abilene Longhorns Club. He is a pre-law student majoring in government.

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By MRS. GEORGE ADKINS

Mrs. C. S. Beaden was a medical patient in St. Joseph's Hospital from Saturday through Tuesday.

Brenda Myers, 18 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Myers of Vinson, is a medical patient in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. McLaughlin of Fort Worth are here to spend Christmas with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Morton.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Kellison and children, Linda Kay and Kelley Don, of Plainview, are spending Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Morton, and other relatives.

Mr. and Hrsfl Hugh Newman of Altus, Oklahoma, will be here to spend Christmas with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. W Stingle and Miss Jean Stingel.

This is the week when Santa Claus comes! And my how everyone here is getting ready for the Christmas holidays. But along with our family festivities and lets all drive carefully so that we may be here for another Christmas.

A number of children visited Santa in Hollis and Memphis this week.

W. M. Durfey has been leveling a field for irrigation this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Downing have completed the remodeling of their home here. It looks mighty nice.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Billy Lacy of Amarillo who announce the birth of a baby daughter. Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Doebner, Sr. of this community and Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Lacy of Lefors.

We are all happy that Rev. C D. Dameron is improving at last, following the auto accident he was in recently.

C. A. Williams of Childress visited here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roden Smart o Wellington have moved to the E. D. Crawley farm here. Mr. Smart will help Mr. Crawley with his irrigated crops this coming year.

Georgia Ann Durfey of T. S. C. W. Denton, arrived home Saturday for the Christmas and New Years holidays.

Tise Younger, W. F. Harbin and L. C. Leathers held the cotton election at Arlie Tuesday.

Mrs. G. K. Patterson and Billy Joe of Buck Creek and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Boggs, Westley and Romona visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brown and family Wednesday. Mr and Mrs. Boggs and children visited Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Adkins Wednesday night.

The farmers here are all busy chiseling their land to keep it from blowing.

Rockettes Lose Tight Game to Bobwhites Tuesday

By DON SCOTT

The Wellington High School girls, sparked by the return of Shirley Pritchard, played another tight game with the Quail sextet on the Wellington basketball court Tuesday night, and were beaten in the last few minutes of play by a score of 31-28. Pritchard sank shot after shot from a set position and a few times came in to score a jump shot. Selma McAlister, center for the team, who scored 39 points against Cary, failed to chalk up many points because of heavy guarding by the Quail girls.

The Quails led by one point at the end of the first quarter and were leading two points at the end of the half. They kept the lead although Pritchard and McAlister stayed within four points of them all through the game. Both teams were outstanding in defensive play, as shown by the low score.

In the first quarter, 9 of Wellington's 10 points were scored by Pritchard, the other being added by McAlister on a free shot. In this quarter the Quail girls were led by Farris, who scored 8 of the 11 points. The score was tied once in the second quarter, but the Quail team was soon out in front again, and the half ended 18-16 in favor of Quail.

In the third quarter, it was mostly McAlister, who racked up 6 of the 9 points scored. The Quail team divided up their take in scores between Farris, Johnson and Phipps for 11 points.

The fourth quarter raised the scores only a little, with Wellington making 3 points, all by Pritchard. The Quail team was able to score anly two points, these by White.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our sincere appreciation and thanks to the many friends who have come to visit us during the time we have been here for medical treatment.

We are deeply appreciative for the lovely flowers, for the care of the good nurses, and to Dr. E. W. Jones, who has been so faithful.

We have a lovely work as pastor of the Becton and Lakeview churches in the Lubbock District and hope to be able to go back to it soon.

Rev. and Mrs. C. D. Dameron

Overcast —

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ion some of the best and most colorful individual players in the country.

Foremost will be the meeting of Southwest Missouri's Don Anielak and West Texas State's Troy Burrus. Anielak, '7 Bear pivot, was named as First Team NAIA All-American center last year. Burrus, 6'7 Buff pivot, was nomed as Second Team NAIA All-American center. It should be a whale of a battle under the bucket between the two high-strung competitors.

Carrying on the accent on height in the four-game attraction will be 6'6 Ray Burrus, sophomore Buff forward; 6'7 Eugene Carpenter, Texas Tech center; 6'5 Jim Reed, Tech forward; and 6'5 Dick Donlin, Hamline pivot.

In the newcomer ranks at the Doubleheaders will be Dave Tschimperle, 6'3 Hamline forward, named last year as the "Most Outstanding Player in the All-American High School Game" held in Murry, Kentucky. Working with Dave will be twin brother Don.

West Texas State's new fieldhouse, just recently improved with the recetion of a $2,000 four-side scoreboard, is one of the best-equipped and liad-out fieldhouses in the Southwest and can comfortably take care of Doubleheader crowds.

Rocket Boxers Meet Oklahoma, Amarillo Teams

Skyrocket boxers are making steady progress and have chalked up some bout wins against independent clubs, Stanley Brooks boxing coach, has announced.

In some of the earlier competition engaged in by various members of the team, Duggie Jameson, one of last year's stars, won a KO over Eugene Barnes of Granite. The fights were at Granite.

On December 8, fighting at Hollis Bobby Davis won a TKO over T. V. Archer of Granite; Gary Phillips decisioned Doug Hickman of Granite; and Billy Crosby lost a decision to Jerry Ellis of Granite

Fighting again at Granite December 12, Jamerson secored a TKO over Bonelli of Fort Sill.

Fighting at Amarillo Thursday, December 17, Jameson again won by a TKO over Joe Lira of the Bordens Club and Bruce Crosby lost a decision to Jimmie Cummings, also of Wellington.

Boys out for boxing this year are Davis, Phillips, Duggie Jameson again won by a TKO over Joe Lira of the Bordens Club and Bruce Crosby lost adecision to Jimmie Cummings, also of Wellington.

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C-C Direcors —

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been invited to go to Chillicothe January 5, when the promoters of the plant will go over with them in more detail the steps they took to secure it. Blueprints of the plant will be shown.

The chemical fertilizer plant is part of an industry that has had most of its growth since World War II. Nitrates are among the most needed of all plant foods, and in addition to being available in natural state, can be extracted from natural gas. It is this natural gas and water that will be utilized at Chillicothe.

In addition to the fertilizer itself, the Chillicothe men said here there will be around 100 by products.

In speaking of the availability of capital for such a development, Mr. Brandon told the C-C directors that he had been told by eastern Industrialists that there is available five billion dollars for the development of small industries in Texas.

Dodson Man —

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Or as one London newspaper headed the story:

"Marjorie's Fate Ruled by Man who Wanted to Talk."

By chance, Marjorie Foster and Max Crowder were placed in the same compartment of the London-Oxford train — coaches of all English trains are divided into compartments.

He was enroute back to his Air Froce Base near Oxford, after a trip to London. She was going up for a short visit with her family at Darlaston, Staffordshire.

She wanted to read—he wanted to talk.

"What was she reading?"

"It was a book called 'Spark of Life'. It was interesting, too," she said with a gay laugh.

He won. They talked for an hour.

When she returned to London, a letter from Crowder was waiting. Then he began coming down for week ends.

They spent much time sight seeing. On their last visit together. she was able to show him one of London's ramous fogs.

When they got to Dodson, he could show her one of Collingsworth's famous sand storms.

The couple became engaged on her birthday, last December 11. The next day he flew beck to the United States to an assignment. She followed him on May 23 and they were married May 24, in Washington, D. C.

Crowder was reared at Arlie and Dodson, graduating from high school there in 1935. He entered the Air Force in 1941, and has served in various bases in the United States, in Germany, at Green Island, and Australia.

Rocket Boxers —

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next. The two boys were well matched and both in good shape. Jameson led the fight in the first round but Cruz landed several hard blows. The second round was faster, with Jameson coming close to knocking Cruz out. but the bell soundede and the fight went into the third round with Jameson. Cruz came out of his corner, trying for a knockout to clinch the fight. He landed several blows, pushed Jameson into the ropes a number of times and although Jameson was never in serious trouble, Cruz took the third round. The decision went to Jameson.

The Bobby Davis — Charles Rodriques bout ended in the only knockout of the evening. Davis led the fight the entire round with hard rights, staggering Rodriques badly once. When the second round opened it was evident that Davis was tiring. Rodriques kept him going the first part of the round until Davis gave out and went down for the count shortly before the bell sounded.

The Wellington fighters are coached by Stanley Brooks. The bouts were received on several T. V. sets in and near Wellington.

Quail Holidays December 23-28

The Quail School was dismissed for Christmas Wednesday, December 23, and classes will be resumed Monday, December 28, Supt. Herman Moseley announced.

This short Christmas vacation was due to the schools having been turned out for an unusually long cotton picking vacation, he explained.

Sophomores Hold Skating Party

Members of the Sophomore class recently held a skating party at the Hollis rink, followed by a picnic supper in the Hollis park.

Approximately 30 class members attended, accompanied by their sponsor, Miss Leatrice West and Clifford Niles.

Personal

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Starr will spend Christmas with his sister in Wichita Falls.

Here for Christmas in the home of Mrs. J. L. Burt are her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brinson, and her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Burt of Amarillo.

Miss Bonnie Willis and Mack Willis are spending Christmas in San Antonio with their sister and brother-is-law, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Welch.

The Rev. G. J. DeBruyn of Subiaco, Ark., underwent major surgery in St. Joseph's Hospital December 18.

Miss Leatrice West, high school instructor, will spend the Christmas holidays at her home in Amarillo.

Rockets Take 61-42 Victory Over Quails

By DON SCOTT

The Wellington High School boys basketball team played one of the highest scoring games of the season Tuesday night with Quail, on the Wellington court. Wellington was headed by Lonnie Wood, who led the team again in scoring. Quail's main player, Johnson, was abie to score only 5 or 6 points during the entire game and most of their scoring came from Darrell Morris, who shot frequently from a far out set position. Starting for the Rockets were, Wood, Harvey, Jones, Bawcom, and Dakil. Quail started Johnson, Morris, Kennedy, Price, and Stirgel.

The Wellington team started out at a fast clip with Harvey, Jones, Wood, and Bawcom quickly bringing in the socres. Harvey—4, Jones—6, Wood—4, and Mawcom—2, The Quail team made 14 points in the first period, with Morris and Johnson setting the pace. The Rockets led at the end of the quarter by a score of 16-14.

Coach Maxey McKnight sent the second string in the game and they rolled up 9 points to end the quarter with a 3 point advantage. Cartwright, McCutchen, Hall, and Bickerstaff were responsible for the points. The Quail five made 8, with Morris, Johnson, Price, and Stirgel counting to bring the first half score to 25-22.

With the main string in to start off the second half, things began to happen. Wood swiped the ball again and again to charge down the court and score. He also chalked up several points from a set position. The Quail team was able to make the scoreboard light up only two times in this quarter, scoring 3 points to Wellington's 25. The third quarter ended in a score 50-25.

The last quarter found the Rocket second team back in the game to score 11 points. The Quail boy made 17. Smith, Bickerstaff, Hall and McCutchen scored for Wellington. Price and Morris accounted for most of Quail's tallies. The game ended with Wellington in the lead, 61-42.

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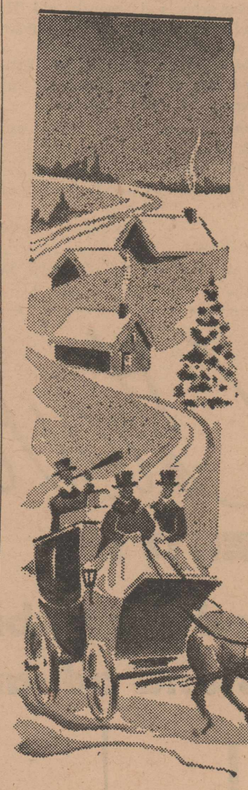
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gin during the entire game. The scores at the quarters wre 12 to 11, 29 to 23 and 38 to 32. Don Johnson of Quail and Bill McKee of Carey tide for high scoring honors with 18 each. Jerry Smith added 12 for Carey and Norman Kennedy 9 for Quail.

In their second game, the Quails lost to Lelia Lake 61 to 49. Don Johnson was again high scorer for Quail with 24 points and Darryl Morris got 9. White was high for Lelia Lake with 28.

Mr. and Mrs. John Carson and children Johnny and Bennie, of Fort Worth will be here for Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Farmer of Marella. Bennie has been with his grandparents for the past two weeks.

Galileo invented the thermometer.



Greetings

May all the excitement and pleasure of Christmas morning remain with you long after this glorious Holiday Season has passed.

To all our friends we wish a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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"The Biggest Little Store in Town"
Phone 561-M, 8th and Haskell, Wellington

Season's Greetings

May all the good cheer and pleasure that we wish to be yours this Christmas lead to a very happy New Year.

Hughs Shop

9th and Highway 83

Merry Christmas

We sincerely hope that this Christmas you will receive a full share of lasting good health and happiness.

Stop & Shop Grocery

Phone 33-J Austin White

Christmas Greetings

May the old time Christmas spirit of joy and peace be with you every day of a bountiful New Year.

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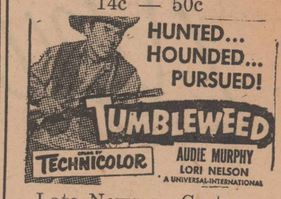
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THURSDAY NIGHT
DEC. 31

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Monica Lewis
IN
"Everything I Have Is Yours"
Cartoon — Comedy

Record Number of Youngsters from Area Write to Santa Claus this Christmas

Dear Santa Clause,
I am a little boy five years old and I live at Samnorwood. I will be visiting my granny in Arkansas this Christmas. So please bring my toys there. I would please like to have a loader and doctors kit.
Be sure and visit all the boys and girls of the world. Thank you so very much.
I love you Santa,
Bobby Michael Christie

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl six years old and I live at Samnorwood Would you please bring me a walking doll and a set of shoes for her. Bring my things to Granny's home. She lives in Bentonville, Arkansas. I will be there. Don't forget any little boy and girl. Thank you very much.
Your little friend,
Brenda Lou Christie

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa Clause,
I have been a pretty good boy this year and I would like you to bring me a watch and bring my little brother a cattle truck and bring us both an electric train and fruit and nuts and candy.
Your friends,
Gary and Randy West

Grand Prairie, Texas
Dear Santa,
If it isn't asking to much I'd like a bicycle for Christmas. I've tried to be good girl this year but will try to be better next year I make good grades in school.
Lots of Love,
Patsy Bouchelle

Dodson, Texas
Dear Santa Clause,
I want a doll with rooted hair w th a outfit in case. And a dolls diaper bag set. And a six room doll house. And a plastic nurse kit. I am a little girl eight years old and I live in Dodson, Texas.
Your friend,
Sherry Diane Crownover

Grand Prairie, Texas
Dear Santa,
I would like a good set of carpenters tools for Christmas. Don't forget Milford Taylor, he is a friend of mine. His daddy was in a car wreck last spring and now he can't work but can walk with crutches. Please bring Milford something nice.
Love,
Terry Dan Bouchelle

Dozier Route
Shamrock, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me some guns, a football, some cars, and trucks a bat and glove a left handed one, too. That is enough for me.
Merry Christmas,
Love,
Teddy Jo Moore

Dallas, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I want a big doll and some big books and a cash register Be sure to remember the poor children, who have no mothers and fathers. Bring them lots of candy, nuts. Mama and Daddy say I've been a good girl this year.
Love,
Judy Burch

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 4 years old. Please bring me a doll and a little table and chairs. O yes, I really need a piano. I play at aunt Millies, but I need one at home. Tell Don to hurry home for Christmas.
Love,
Janice Lee Porter

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 9 years old and I would like to have a walking doll and clothes and telephone and I would like to have a sweater.
I have a little brother 6 years old, he wants a gun set, football and bow and arrow. Some candy and nuts.
Love,
Sandra and Eddie Rogers

Dear Santa,
Mrs. Ed Brown, our teacher needs a new blotter for her desk. The old one looks like the mice had been chewing on it, don't you think? We would like to have some new library books and a Bible for our room.
Don't forget the other children of our world.
Your friends,
The Third Grade Samnorwood

December 12, 1953
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl nineteen months old. I have been good all year Please bring me a doll, rocking chair, rocking horse, and several small toys.
By By Santa,
Teresa La Juan Worsham

Wellington, Texas
Route 6
Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a pretty good girl this year so would you please bring me a walking doll, some new dresses and new shoes.
I have a little brother James and a sister Elaine so would you please bring James a tricycle and truck and bring Elaine a tricycle and doll. My big brother has already written you a letter. Don't forget Judy, Mike and Terry.
With Love,
Saundra Hale

Artesia, New Mexico
Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a model airplane with a motor and a machine gun.
Love,
Gary Strong

Third Grade
Samnorwood School
Dear Santa Claus,
We have been studying real hard during December as you can see by looking at our grade books and our posters. We get a gift in your bag for each perfect reading lesson, a star and a snow flake for each 100 in arithmetic and spelling. There will be a moon in our sky to guide you if we have done neat work and have been good. You can see our room is very dark and dreary. Please may we have some paint like the High School Library. We will do the paint job ourselves, if you will trust us.
Andrea Sue Keller

Dozier Route
Shamrock, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me the best wind-up train that you can find, a depot and a steel wagon, a big set of American logs and a book about cowboys. Do not forget any of the children of our world.
Your friend,
Larry Michael Wischkaemper

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl seven years old. Will you please bring me a view master and some reels, type writer, doll clothes, candy, nuts, fruit. Bring my little brother Gary a little doll with hair some pull toys and a ball. Remember all the other boys and girls. I won't you to come by sled. Thank you Santa.
Your friend,
Bonnie Lou Farrar and Gary Lynn Farrar

Quail, Route
Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bicycle, jacks, a ball, a billfold, a drum, a doll, a color book and some crayons.
Juanita Ellis

Route 1. Box 11
Quail, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a fort and men. Please bring me a G. I. gun and scabiard.
Love,
Dean Johnson
P. S. Please bring me some nuts and candy.

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been waiting a whole year to write this letter to you, and I hope you answer all my requests.
First of all I want a great big teddy bear. I want him so big that I can't see over him. And Santa be sure he is black and white. Then would you please send me a big doll that walks, talks, sleeps and cries. I know you won't mind, but I have a little boy friend whose name is Danny and he wants a toy train that is electric and he wants it to have many cars.
I am a little girl of 6 years of age and Donny is 9 years old. We both have blond hair and I have long curls and he has wavy hair We have both been good.
Until Next Christmas,
Wanda Jean

Route 3, Box 56
Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a to gun holster a doctor set and some nuts and candy.
Love,
Kenneth Minatrea

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl 4 years old and have been a pretty good girl. I would like for you to bring me a doll and kitchen set. Don't forget Glenda, my baby sister and bring her something also. Bring me some nuts, fruit and candy.
Love,
Joy Chandler

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
We are three little boys. We have been pretty good so will you please bring us some toys.
We, James and Dwayne want a bike and plenty of fruits, nuts and candy.
I, Michael would like a Police tricycle with a siren. Please don't forget all the other boys and girls.
Your little friends,
Jame, Dwayne, and Michael Poteet

Dear Santa,
I wish you would bring me a giant grader. Also a space set. I want some nuts, oranges, and apples.
Please don't forget my sisters and the other boys and girls.
Your Pal,
Don Paul Sweat
P. S. I also want a pair of house shoes.

Dear Santa,
I am a boy 6 years old. I want a rifle and log house to build. Don't forget my 2 little brothers. Don't forget to bring us some candy and nuts and fruit.
Tommy Needham

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a big doll and a doll trunk and a set of dishes.
Love,
Judy Elaine Crawford

Artesia, New Mexico
Dear Santa,
Please bring me some Tinker toys, two guns and scabbards and anything else you want to. I'll see you in Wellington Christmas.
Love,
Mark Strong

Route 3, Box 153
Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Toni doll, nuts, candy, and a Cinderalla watch. I am 8 years old and go to school at Quail.
Mary Watson

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a good little boy in the second grade.
Will please bring me football suit?
Your friend,
Jerry McGarry

Giant boy



Recently, a group of scientists and engineers was asked to predict what's next.

Now that we have electrified farms, factories and homes, is that the end? The answer appears to be no, that the electrical industry is a "giant boy" with its great growth still ahead. Here are some of the predictions.

Take a personal thing first. Millions of homes will have heat pumps to heat and cool automatically—using electricity for fuel.

You can expect to cook food someday by electronics—in seconds. Electrical incinerators will consume your waste paper and waste food. Dust will be taken from the air electrically. The day may come when TV screens hang like pictures on the wall, with only a tiny wire to the set.

Nuclear fuels are on the timetable of the scientists. Energy from the atom will eventually be a major source of power, regardless of whether fossil fuels are seriously depleted. By century's end, most new plants generating electricity will operate with atomic (fission) fuel. Aircraft, battleships and the like will measure fuel consumption in grams.

Storing heat from the sun is another long-range project of scientists, with billions in savings as the potential result.

The year 2000 looks big and distant. Actually it is only 47 years away. By then, any puny prognostications made today will have been rewritten many times. But larger. Electricity has always been a field where each new fact generates many more things new. The years should be interesting to watch.

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Season's Greetings

For us, each new Christmas seems to hold an added significance... a deeper meaning. It's because we realize that whatever we accomplish from year to year is made possible through the operation and good will of our patrons and friends. We are grateful for this manifestation of loyalty and confidence and it is with full sincerity that we extend our best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

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ABSTRACTS — LOANS — INSURANCE

Letters to Santa Claus

Fritch, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a train, cowboy box, a cowboy hat "green", a big cattle truck, a big cola truck and wrecker. You can leave at granddad Casions or Jones either. Don't forget my little cousins Elene, Donna, Frankie and Kay, Debbie and David.

I Love You,
Claude Darby Jones

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am five years old, I've tried to be a good boy. Please bring me a army fort, and a football suit

My little brother is 10 months old, please bring my little brother some kind of toy train.

Remember all other boys and girls.

I Love You Santa,
Gary Patrick

P. S. I'll have you a prize under my stocking.

(Editor's Note – Gary also drew and colored a Santa with his letter and sent him some Christmas seals.)

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl eight years old and in the third grade. I live at 1302 Childress Street. I would like very much for you to bring me some yellow pajamas, a yellow housecoat and a big doll that I can comb and curl its hair.

Please don't forget all the other nice boys and girls and grandmother, Mrs. M. L. Roberson.

I would also like some candy, nuts and fruit.

Love,
Peggy Sue Langford

Lewisville, Texas

Dear Santa Clause,

We are four little children. Linda five years old. Doug and Randy twins four and I am two.

We have tried to be good this year but some times we fuss a little but won't you forgive us this time and we will try harder next year to be good.

Linda wants a pair red, blue jeans and a cow girl hat, Doug and Randy wants dump trucks and blue jeans and Pam wants a doll.

Please remember the children who have no Mothers and Daddys.

Lots of Love,
Linda, Doug, Randy and Pam Whitmore

Sneed, Texas

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a baby doll a stick horse, a tractor, to ride on. You can leave it at my aunt or granddad in Fritch. For I want be able to go to Granddad Jones for Christmas. Please don't forget the other little girls and boys.

Thank you,
I Love You,
Donna Jones

Springfield, Ore
1318 L. Street

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you? I am fine. I have been very good. For Christmas I want a little Vogue doll, a rubber doll, that drinks water and cries, also a set of evenflo bottles for my doll. Thank you so much Santa.

Love,
Lana Gregory

P. S. Don't forget Grandmama and Grandpopper in Texas, (Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Peeples.)

Dear Santa,

I have been a fairly good girl this year, but there are some more kids in this world besides me. So Santa I'm not going to be selfish this year. I am just going to ask for two things. And they are just a few clothes and a real live doll just about six feet two. There! See Santa, I'm not selfish as I could be.

I hope you have a jolly time this year. While creeping into the houses when all are fast asleep under the Christmas tree you leave all the presents for others and me.

Santa, I want to take this time to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, too.

Yours Truly,
Jean Kay

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like for you to bring me a helmet and shoulder pads.

Thank you,
Your friend,
Butch White

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl six years old. I want you to bring me a dish washing set, a doll with a pink slip and a pink dress and brown hair.

I also want a doll to put on my bed.

Thank you,
Sharyon Kaye McClellan



'SNO SNOW—Little Kathy Roche of New York City demonstrates how she is going to have plenty of "clean" fun trimming the Christmas tree with soapsuds "snow" and "icicles." Using plenty of soap and just a little water, she whipped them up with an eggbeater. The concentrated suds harden quickly and last as long as the tree.

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy 5 years old and I have two brothers 4 and 3. We would like for you to bring us a cowboy suit, two gun holster sets, truck or tractor and a train. Also some candy and nuts. We have tried to be nice boys.

Love,
Keith, Kenny & Ricky Brown

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a walking doll, with blond hair and blue eyes. My big sister wants her birthstone for Christmas.

Love always,
Marsha Elbert

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy two years old. Please bring me a tractor and a book.

My little sister is one year old and she wants a teddy bear and a little horse to ride.

Eddie and Linda Lou Orr

Route 1, Box 110
Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am eight years old. I am a good little girl. Please send me a doll, and some furniture, and a nurse set.

Love,
Phyllis Riley

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy 4 1/2 years old. I would like very much to have a pedal car with a radio aerial, and just anything else you might have for boys like me. Don't forget to leave some candy, gum and fruit. I have a little brother 14 months old. He can't write you a letter but please leave him a teddy bear and a little rocking chair that fits him.

I hope you get to my house before I have to go to bed Christmas eve night. Don't forget any of the other little boys and girls.

Your friend,
Lynn Derryberry

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl almost 3 years old and have a little brother 10 months old. We sure are looking for you on Christmas night.

I, Linda, would like to have a dollie bed and doll that walks and has hair, I can curl. Charles would like a little red wagon, with some rubber trucks and things in it, and anything else that you have for us. We have been pretty good kids.

Please don't forget all my aunts and uncles and cousins and grandparents, and all the other little kids.

You will find some cake and milk at our Christmas tree.

Love,
Linda Ann and Charles Bonneau

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy 4 years old. Please bring me a two gun holster with two guns with some bullets. I want a fire truck, cause I want to be a fireman.

Thank you,
Lance McClellan

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy five years old and for Christmas I would like a set of carpenter tools, a two gun holster and a doctor set. And lots of candy and nuts.

Your little Pal,
Drew Killough

Skellytown, Texas

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a two gun holster set, some cars and trucks and lots of fruit and candy.

I am four years old and have been pretty good boy.

Your friend,
Nathan Killough

P. S. Don't forget my brother and sister.

Fritch, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me, twin dolls, train, and piano. You can leave it at my granddad "R. D." Jones. for that is where I'll be Christmas. Please Santa don't forget the other little girls and boys.

I Love You,
Voe Elene Charlton

Dozier Route
Shamrock, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a doll and a pair of blue jeans a pair of gloves, fruit, nuts, and candy. Don't forget the little children of the world.

With Love,
Shirley Ann Kidwell

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a good little boy in the second grade. Will you please bring me a football?

Your friend,
Billy Gene Clubb

Route 1. Box 123
Quail, Texas

Dear Santa,

I want a doll and an evening dress for Christmas.

Your friend,
Leonria Kay Davis

Artesia, New Mexico

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a bicycle and a doll. I will be in Wellington Christmas with my grandparents.

Love,
Javana Strong



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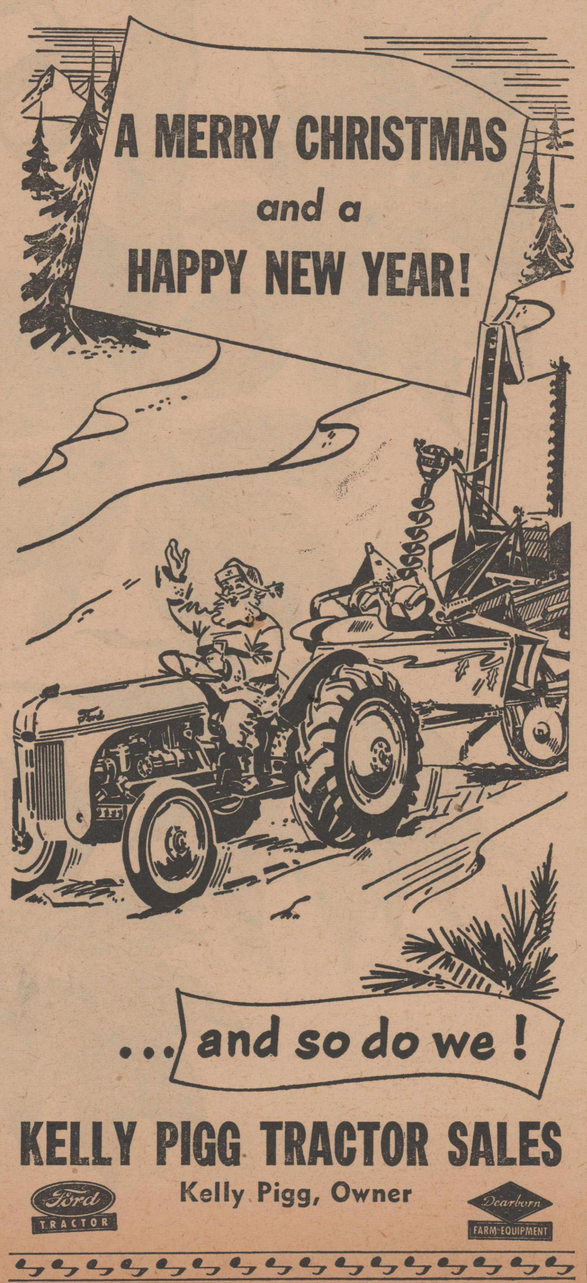
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Whose friendship make possible
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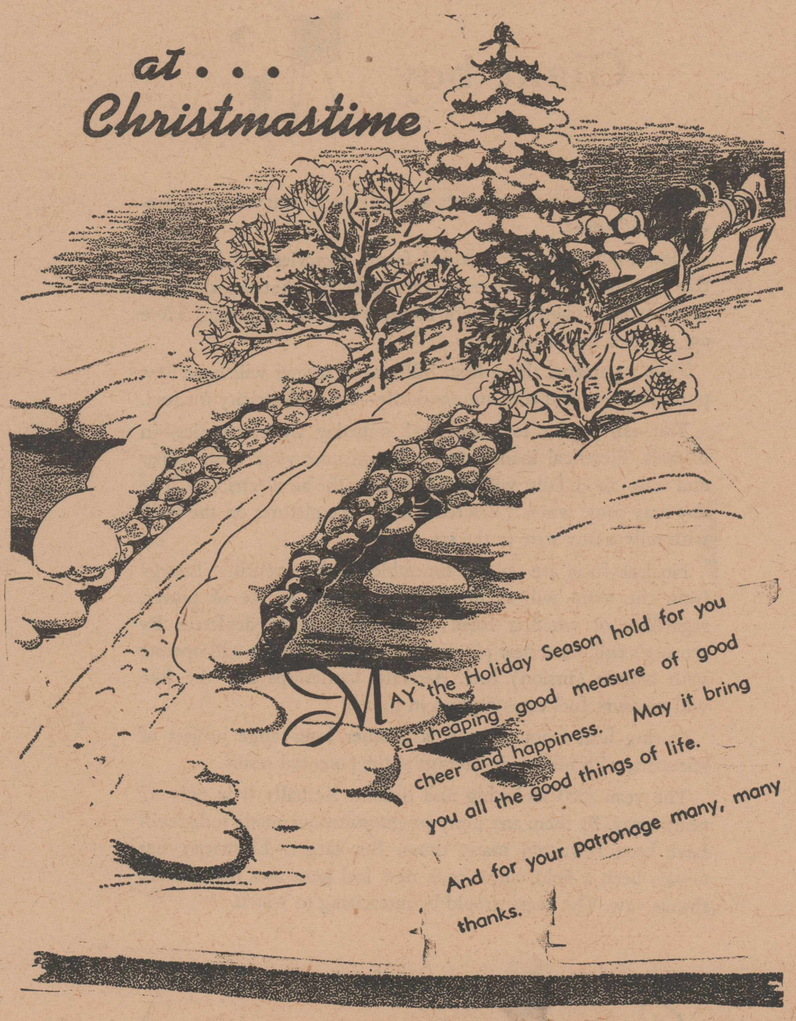
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Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I am a boy 9 years old. I have been a good boy this year. I have been a baby sitter for mama helping tend to my little brother. I would love for you to bring me a pair of Roy Rogers Moccasins and a hunting knife and a billfold and lots of candy, apples and oranges, and nuts.
Love,
Curtis Homer

Route 1, Box 82
Quail, Texas
Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a flash bulb for my camera, a doll, a paint set, a ring, a notebook and a evening dress for my doll.
Love,
Jamie Ross

Route 3, Box 59
Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a fuzzy dog. I need a bicycle tire. And please bring me a nurse set. Please bring me a bag of candy and don't forget my two little brothers Coy and Troy Stephens and remember the other little boys and girls.
With Love,
Barbara Tyler

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am a good boy in the second grade. Will you please bring me some note book paper, pencils and a Bible, arrows and candy and nuts and fruit.
Love,
Bryan Hatch

Route 3. Box 103
Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 8 years old and I go to school at Quail. Please bring me a doll, a cedar chest, and lots of apples, oranges, nuts and candy.
Your friend,
Mary Kathern Finley

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a good little boy in the second grade. Will you please bring me a bicycle and candy and nuts.
Your friend,
Alfonso Gracia

Quail, Route
Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am 8 years old. Please bring me two guns a cap rifle, a truck, a caterpilla, a fort, a four wheel trailer, and a tractor.
Love,
Billy Wayne Lindesy

Route 6, Box 86
Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa,
I have been a good little boy. I am 8 years old, I am in the third grade. I would very much like to have a gun and scabbard. Oh, say bring me some fruit and candy and nuts.
Love,
Dan Langford

Route 3
Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a lunch pail, a pirate gun.
Love,
Richard Lee Keller

Route 3
Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a scalbard and guns, a 3-D camera and films, and lots of fruit, nuts and candy.
Merry Christmas
Johnny Clyde Saunders

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a good little girl in the second grade. Will you please bring me a walking doll and candy and nuts.
Your friend,
Joyce Hannah

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a good little girl in the second grade. Will you please bring me a doll and a set of dishes.
Your friend,
Mary Beth

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a good girl in the second grade. Will you please bring me a toni doll and candy and nuts.
Your friend,
Vicki Killian

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a good little girl in the second grade. Will you please bring me a baby doll and doll buggy and a note book.
Your friend,
Gail Henard

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 16 months old. I would like a car or truck and some little toys to play in the water. An please bring me some nuts and fruit. Don't forget my mommy and daddy. Don't forget my 2 brothers Tommy and Richard Earl.
Lonnie Hugh Needham Jr.

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a good little girl in the second grade. Will you please bring me a big doll and candy and nuts.
Your friend,
Joyce Brown

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a good little boy in the second grade. Will you please bring me a gun and candy and nuts.
Your friend,
Bobby Morris

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a good little girl in the second grade. Will you please bring me a doll and suitcase.
Your friend,
Nonness Graves

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a good little girl in the second grade. Will you please bring me a see-saw, swing and leather jacket and candy and nuts.
Your friend,
Nancy Crawley

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a good little boy in the second grade. Will you please bring me a note book.
Your friend,
Glenn Thomas

Route 3
Wellington, Tex.
Dear Santa,
I want a doll, a bicycle, a baton a basket ball and a billfold.
Love,
Joyce Gail Rhone

Route 1. Box 17
Quail, Texas
Dear Santa,
I have been a good little boy this year. Please bring me a B-B gun, fruit, nuts and candy. Please don't forget my little brothers and sisters.
Love,
Billy Fred Cummings

Dear Santa,
We are two little girls, age two and six. We have been good, so please bring us two large teddy bears alike, a washing machine and a set of dishes. We would also like to have a tricycle and a pair of skates if you have some.
Don't forget about Betty and Bill our sister and brother.
Your friends,
Linda and Elaine Karnes











OFF THE TREE—Paddle Ears, a baby chimpanzee, has his dinner right off a banana tree in the jungle gardens of Ponce de Leon Springs, Fla. Holding the chimp is Nancy Stech of Montgomery, Ala.

Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 1 year old. I have been a good little boy this year. I would like for you to bring me a peddle bike and some house shoes and a set of blocks and anything you want to bring me.
Love,
John Joseph Homer

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 7 years old. I have been a good little boy this year. Will you please bring me a pair of Roy Rogers moccasins and a magic auto racer and billfold and candy, oranges and apples. Don't forget my little brothers Curtis and John.
Lots of Love,
Glen Homer

Dear Santa,
I am three years old. I want a red wagon and some cowboy jeans I wear size 3,
Larry Jo Pyle

Dear Santa,
I am eleven years old and I want a wrist watch for Christmas with seven jewels.
Tracy Pyle

Dear Santa,
I am one year old. Please send me some toys that are baby's. I hope people won't forget you Santa.
Yours Truly,
Lester Pyle

Merry Christmas,
I want a pot and pan set or set of dishes. I am nine years old.
Leola Pyle

Dear Santa,
I am seven years old. And I want a doll buggy and a doll. Please don't forget our mother, she wants a new bed spread.
Virginia Pyle

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a doll with rooted hair and a suitcase and a doll wardrobe and candy, nuts and oranges, apples and just anything a (8) year old girl would like and Dear Santa don't forget all the other little girls and boys.
Mary Frances King

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl two years old. And for Christmas I would like to have a Chiffrobe to hang my clothes, a rubber Amosandra doll, humming top, accordion, telephone, broom, mop and sweeper set, doll buggy, dishes, gun and holster set and anything else you want to bring me, and some candy, nuts and fruit. Please don't forget my two uncles, Earl and Johnny and all the other little boys and girls this Christmas.
Your little friend,
Karen Denise Jones

Dodson, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 6 years old and my name is Gary. Me and my little brother, Ronnie, who is 4 years old, wants you to bring us a tractor that we can ride. We sure don't want you to forget our baby sister. Her name is Alta Karen. She is very small and needs something to play with. Maybe a teddy bear or a pretty white kitty cat. We would like some candies and nuts. Don't forget all our other little friends.
Lots of Love,
Gary, Ronnie and Alta Karen Lowrie

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl ten years old. I want a doll with rooted hair. I have a little sister four years old she wants a doll with rooted hair and a piano. We live at Lutie, Texas.
Linda Garner

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa,
I have been a pretty good boy so don't forget to stop at our house.
I would like a wagon, holster set, truck and any thing else that you might have for a little boy
Andy Henard

Dear Santa,
We are two sisters 5 and 3 years old. We would like for you to visit us Christmas.
I, LaJuanda would like to have a big doll with hair, a doll bottle sterilizer set and a set of dishes with glasses. If you have and extra place bring me a dish washing set.
I, Deborah, would like to have a rubber doll and a cooking set and anything else you might have.
Don't forget our cousins Anola, in Fort Worth.
Leave some candy, fruit and nuts.
We Love You,
LaJuanda and Deborah Peters

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Frances and I am seven years old. I am in the second grade and Mrs. Plante is my teacher. I want a Cinderella watch for Christmas and would like to have a Peter Pan Marionette that I can work with strings. I also want a toy switchboard with two telephones if you have enough.
Your friend,
Frances Warrick

Medicine Park, Okla.
Dear Santa Claus.
I want a bow and arrow, a Bible, gun, holster, cowboy hat, and lots of fruit and nuts. Don't forget my little cousins, Mary Elizabeth, Phil, David, and Brad. Please do bring my toys to my grandparents house at 1106 Dalhart St.
Love,
Robert Worth McClaskey

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a big black and white teddy bear and a radio for Christmas.
I'm nine years old. I have been good, that is pretty good.
Anne Coleman



HOLY LAND ROCKS—Part of a 100-ton shipment of rocks from historic Biblical sites is unloaded from the SS Excellency at a Jersey City, N. J., pier. The shipment arrived from Haifa, Israel, with material to build an authentic "Garden of Israel" at Beth Israel Memorial Park in Woodbridge, N. J.

Quail, Route
Memphis, Tex.
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a B-B gun, a football, a bag of candy and some nuts.
Love,
George W. Patchell

ElPaso, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Robe, house-shoes, a doll and a doll buggy.
Love,
Freda Walker

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a big doll and set of dishes and a doll buggy.
Love,
Peggy Jan Crawford

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a ballglove, ball and ballbat. I've been pretty good all year.
Your truly,
Troy Petty

Shamrock, Texas
Dozier Route
Dear Santa,
I am a little girl six years old. My brother, Johnny is two, please bring him a tricycle, a tractor, and a pair of house shoes. Bring me a walking doll, a set of dishes and a pair of house shoes.
Remember all the little girls and boys and please don't forget my teacher Miss Coffee.
Love,
Jo Nell and Johnny Breeding

Wellington, Texas
Dear Santa,
I am a boy in the second grade. My teacher is Mrs. Burquist. Please bring me a big red wagon and a woodburning set. Bring my baby sister, Bethy, a pretty doll. Leave us some candy, fruit and nuts. If you have plenty.
Your friend,
Freddy Peters

MERRY Christmas



May your Christmas be as merry as you would have it, with everything that you hope to receive, actually yours after old Santa has come and gone.

Thank you for your patronage, your confidence, your cooperation, your evident good will which we hope we may continue to enjoy.

F. A. Hatch & Son
Dry Goods

Season's Greetings

We want our best wishes to be as traditional as the old time Holly Wreath at Christmas

May the Season be one of many joyful surprises, and happy associations with loved ones and friends, and, too, we want to say many thanks as well as Merry Christmas.

FIRST STATE BANK
DODSON, TEXAS

Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy 3 years old, and my folks say I'm pretty good.

I have a little brother, nearly 2 years old and he is real nice most of the time. His name is Danny.

We want you to bring us a dump truck, and tool set, a piece, and a Western Ranch set together. Also some fruit, nuts and candy.

Don't forget our little cousins.

Your Pal,
Nicky Watts

Box 943
Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

This is my first letter to you as I am just 2 years old. I would like to have a gun, airplane, wagon and a pair of spurs. Lots of candy and nuts. Please remember all the other little boys and girls.

Thank You,
Love,
Andy Lowe

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like a paint set, a model airplane, fruits, nuts and candy and anything else you might have. I am 9 and one half years old and in the 4th grade. My teachers name is Mrs. Barnett. Don't forget my mother and daddy.

Lots of Love,
Oliver Bishop



At Christmas

We wish all our friends the abundant happiness of a wonderful Christmas and New Year.

Morrow Gro. and Station

H. C. (Hick) Morrow

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

By Clement C. Moore

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through
the house
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;
The stocking were hung by the chimmey with care,
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;

The children were nestled snug in their beds,
While visions of sugar-plums danced through their heads;
And Mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap,
Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap,—

When out of the lawn there arose such a clatter,
I sprang from my bed see what was the matter;
Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.

The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow
Gave a lustre of mid-day to objects below;
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh and eight tiny reindeer,

With a little old driver, so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be Saint Nick.
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted and called the by name:

"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! now, Prancer and Vixen!
On, Comet! on, Cupid! on, Donder and Blitzen!
To the top of the porch! to the top of the wall!
Now, dash away! dash away! dash away all!"

As dry leaves that before a wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,
So up to the house-top the coursers they flew,
With a sleigh full of toys—and St. Nicholas too!

And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof,
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.
As I drew in my head and was turning around,
Down the chimmey St. Nicholas came with a bound.

He was dressed all in fur, his head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tranished with ashes and soot!
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,
And he looked like a pedlar just opening his pack;

His eyes—how they twinkled! his dimples, how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard of his chin was white as the snow.

The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke, it encircled his head like a wreath.
He had a broad face, and a little round belly,
That shook when he laugh'd, like a bowl full of jelly.

He was chubby and plump; a right jolly old elf;
And I laughed, when I saw him, in spite of myself.
A wink of his eye, and a twist of his head,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
And filled all the stocking—then turned with a jerk,
And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, up the chimmmy he rose.

He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew, like the down off a thistle.
But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight,
"Happy Christmas to all and to all a good night."

December 18, 1953

Dear Santa,

I thought I would see you at the Church Monday night and tell you what I would like to have for Christmas, but this morning when I awoke my face looked bigger than yours, and Mommy says I have the mumps, so Santa I may not see you this year. I am only hoping you will get this letter in time to pack a fly rod, electric football set, and a rifle in your sack for me.

Tony, my little brother, would like to have a peg and hammer table and a little tractor.

Bye now, and I'll see you next year.

Ronny Hurst
911 Floydada

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639 Highland St.
Rt. 2 Decatur, Ga.
December 11, 1953

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl nearly 3 years old, and I'm looking forward to your visit.

I would like for you to bring me a table—chair set, a tea set, and a stove. Also an iron and ironing board, and a piano with a stool, because you see I like to "keep house." I don't believe I'd care for a doll this year, but perhaps next year you can bring me one.

Please come to see my little cousins in Texas, and remember my granny, Mrs. Nettie Terry of Wellington.

Bye for now, and see you Christmas.

Peggy Lee Cole

Dear Santa,

December 29th I will be six years old. For Christmas I would like a doll with long hair and extra clothes, a set of dishes, a purse, and some jewelry.

Please remember all the little boys and girls.

Thank you,
Jackie Barton

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a Saucy Walker doll. When she walks, she rolls her eyes and turns her head from side to side, and you can wash her hair. She has a lace trimmed organdy dress. 22 inches tall and a doodler.

Francis Hill

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl four years old and hope I have been as good as you expect a girl my age to be.

I want you to bring me a Saucy Walker Doll and a little trunk for my doll cloths. Bring me anything else you think I would like. Be sure not to forget my little cousins Granvil, Vicki, Gary, Mark and Jerry for thy have been good too. Remember all the other boys and grils.

Bring me lots of candy, nuts and fruit too.

I'll be looking for you on Christmas eve.

Cherry Lewis

Cotton batting and paper is costumes will ignite easily and burn with great intensity.

December 17, 1953

Dear Santa,

I'm a little boy, almost 3 years old. I have tried to be a good boy, but I guess you know boys. I'd like for you to bring me a dump truck, some building blocks and a two gun holster set, candy nuts, oranges and apples, of course I'll be proud of any other toys, you would like for me to have. Please don't forget my little brother, Jackie Neal, he is two months old. He would like some soft rubber toys, that makes noises. Don't forget my little friends, and my cousins and please don't froget my uncle Jimmy, who is overseas and won't be home for Christmas.

We love you,
Joe Lynn and Jackie Neal
Brock
1300 Childress St.

P. S. Don't forget my Grandmother and Grandfather Brock, and Ma-Ma and Pa-Pa Neeley.

Dear Santa,

I am a boy eight months old. This is my frist Christmas and so I am planning on it being a nice one.

I would like to have a set of plastic block, a little red wagon and merry-go-round that plays real music.

If you think I have been good enough you can bring me anything else I might like.

Please bring me candy and oranges or anything that a boy my age can eat.

Thank you and I Love you
Lot,
Jerry Lewis

Wellington, Texas
December 17, 1953

Dear Santa,

I am 5 year old boy, who would like for you to come and see Christmas.

I want a tool chest, black board, and a shirt, with cuff links and tie.

Please bring some candy, nuts and fruit.

Your friend,
Ocie Robinson

Never burn Christmas decorations or wrappings in the fireplace. The intense heat can set crack your chimmey and set fire to the attic.

Toys requiring alcohol, kerosene or gasoline to generate power are especially dangerous; they may upset and set fire to children's clothing.

Keep your Christmas trees away from all sources of heat. Heat dries them out, making them easier to ignite.



Because Christmas time is reserved for very special greetings—we want to take this opportunity to thank our many patrons for their continued friendship and good-will . . . and add, too, in a great big measure—our sincere wishes that the spirit of the season may remain a lasting joy for you and yours throughout the coming New Year.

Dodson Dry Goods

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Reynolds
Dodson, Texas



The foundation of all business is friendship and with each Christmas

It gives us pleasure to extend our best wishes to those whose friendship we cherish.

May your Christmas be merry!

J. C. Howell Grocery

Dodson, Texas Phone 2841

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



The wonderful thing about Christmas is that each year, without fail, it works its miracle over again. With the approach of the Holiday Season, the spirit becomes refreshed, the heart uplifted, and the world suddenly is full of smiling people, bursting with good will towards their fellow-man.

It is in this atmosphere of good cheer and brotherly love that we wish our friends a very Merry Christmas and a Rich and Happy New Year.

Kelso Funeral Home

Letters to Santa Claus

Route 3, Box 90
Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

I have been a good little boy. I am 8 years old. I want two guns and a bag of arrows for my bow, bag of nuts for me.

Sebern Groves

Route 3
Shamrock, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like two dolls for Christmas and please bring me a baby bed and a set of dishes and some doll clothes and shoes for my doll. Please bring me a buggy so that I can push my doll in and some twins coats, a snowsuit, a hat and gloves, so I can play in the snow. Don't forget all the other children of the world.

Your friend,
Darlene Rainey

Wellington, Texas

Dearest Santa,

I am sure hoping you get this in time for Christmas. I'm just a little late getting it written this year. I am a little boy five years old, and have been good most of the time.

Please, bring me a payloader, football helmet a dirt mover and anything else you might have. I like some fruit, nuts and candy. I'll see you Christmas eve.

Love,
James Roy Fulcher

Route 3, Box 90
Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

I want two guns and holster, one bag full of arrows for my bow, also fireworks.

Love,
Sebern Groves



SANTA CLAUS ASSEMBLY LINE — Four young patients at the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Crippled Children, at Dallas, prepare Christmas presents on an assembly-line basis. With Christmas almost here, the children — left to right, James Pool, 5, Dallas; Shirley Newberry, 5, Dallas; Larry Joe Thompson, 6, O'Donnell, Texas; and Mary Ann Board, 3, Mineola, Texas — are busily painting and wrapping clay mugs adorned with Santa Claus faces. The youngsters, who will send the presents home, are assisted by Occupational Therapist Elizabeth Graves at the Scottish Rite Hospital, which is supported by contributions from generous Texans.



CORKY'S
flowers & gift shop
PHONE 533

Hereford, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy almost five and have been good this year. For Xmas I would like a John Deere plow, holster belt and guns, a combine also fruit, nuts and candy. Please remember my little brother, Steven who is just eleven days old. He just wants a rubber doll.

Thank you Santa,
Tommy Sharp

Wellington, Texas
December 17, 1952

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little boy 2 years and 3 months old. I have been good at times and very mean at other times.

A train and a great big truck, and a gun with a holster will be enough for me this Christmas.

Please don't forget some candy, fruit and nuts. Remember to bring Grandpa and Grandma Bledsoe and Grandpa and Grandma Boggs something too.

Love,
Stephen Craig Bledsoe

Dodson, Texas
December 15, 1953

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a boy six years old. I go to school at Wellington, and my teachers name is Mrs. Roberts. I have tried to be a good boy this year, Santa, and I have been making good grades in school.

I would like for you to bring me a toy helicopter, a large blackboard, two guns with a belt and holsters and a football and doctors kit. I guess this is all I want except some nuts, fruit and candy.

Please remember all my little cousins and friends everywhere.

Love,
Lyndel Warren

Route 6, Box 86
Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

I would like a housecoat and shoes. Then a house with furniture and a walking doll and nurse set and lots of candy and fruit and nuts.

Love,
Jan Langford

Clover Leaf, Texas

Dear Santa,

We try to be good children and trust you will remember us, and ever little child Xmas eve. There are 6 of us children.

Floyd wants boy scout uniform and fountain pen set. James wants boy scout uniform and a foot ball. Robert wants Roy Rogers toy ranch set, and some marbles. Charlene wants dresser set and necklace set. Ester wants hat, purse and big doll. Patsy wants toni doll and set of dishes. We would all like some candy, nuts and fruit.

Please remember our cousins Bervin Knott of Mangum, Okla., an Alice Fae Graves of Amarillo.

We Love You,
James, Floyd and Patsy Langford, Charlene, Ester and Robert Duncan

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Route 3

Dear Santa,

Bring me a doll and potbaln and a billfold.

Clado Kay Rhone
Love,

AND now, as you gather your loved ones and friends around you, we want to send our best wishes to each of you. At the same time, we say to you we appreciate your every courtesy during the days past that it has been our privilege to serve you.

Sending You Our
SEASON'S GREETINGS

D & M Farm Machinery
Chrysler Plymouth
M &M Farm Machinery

Seasons Greetings

This season of the year affords us a splendid opportunity to express our best Wishes to each of our friends and customers in this area. We are grateful for your past favors and wish you a season of great joy and happiness.

The Leader Dept. Store

It's Going to be a Swell Christmas

How do we know? Well, perhaps it's because we've been doing business with the fine people of this community long enough to know they're the finest and certainly deserving of the best Christmas ever.

For your enjoyable friendships in the past we are grateful. Merry Christmas!

J. M. Tindall Gin No. 1
Lester Hunter, Mgr.

Letters to Santa Claus

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl five years old and have tried to be pretty good this year. I would like for you to bring me a doll, telephone, fireworks, candy, nuts and fruit. Don't forget all other little boys and girls.

Love,
Mary Frank Cummings

Route 6
Shamrock, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

Would you please bring me a walking doll with black hair that you can wash, roll and wave it and comb , it comes in her suitcase. I would like a glass set of dishes and a doll bed and some doll shoes and doll sweaters and a wool blanket too. And don't forget the other little children.

With Love,
Mary Jeanette Shields

Route 6
Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

I have tried to be good. How is the weather, Santa? Please bring me two guns, my own football, a printing set. That is all.

Your friend,
Henry Neal Lowry

Dozier Route

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a wagon for Christmas. A good long rope to play with, and a paint set so I can paint pictures.

With Love,
Fountie Willoughby

Dozier Route
Shamrock, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a train, a wagon, a gun, a book, a drum, a kite, a paint set, a B-B gun and some caps.

Love,
Mack Shields

Wellington, Texas
December 17, 1953

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little girl one month old today. I don't know anything about Christmas, but it won't be long before I can tell what I want Santa to bring me.

Anything he leaves with me will be alright this year.

Please remember all the other little children this year.

Love,
Deborah Ann Bledsoe

Dodson, Texas
December 15, 1953

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little girl three years old. I have tried to be a good girl, but its been pretty hard to hold my temper sometimes. I have tried though.

I'd like for you to bring me a doll with short hair, that I can comb brush, some doll clothes, a doll bed, and a nurses kit. I'd also like some little dishes.

I'll have my stocking hung on a chair for you to put nuts, fruit and candy in.

I Love You,
Janna Warren

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

We are two little girls seven and five, and have been pretty good girls this year. We would like for you to bring us a Toni Doll each and anything else you think we might like. Also some fruit, nut and candy.

Don't forget Granpa and Grandma Richardson and Granddad and Granny Williams at Plainview. Also, our cousin Gary who is in Germany this year.

Your friends,
Karen and Linda Richardson

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a girl five years old. For Christmas I would like a musical doll buggy and bill fold, also candy, and fruit. And anything else you might have. Don't forget my little friends.

Love,
Rebecca Ruth Holliman

Dear Santa,

I am a seven year old girl. For Xmas I would like to have a doll "Saucy-Walker", also a billfold, candy, fruits and nuts.

Don't forget my friends little sister and brothers.

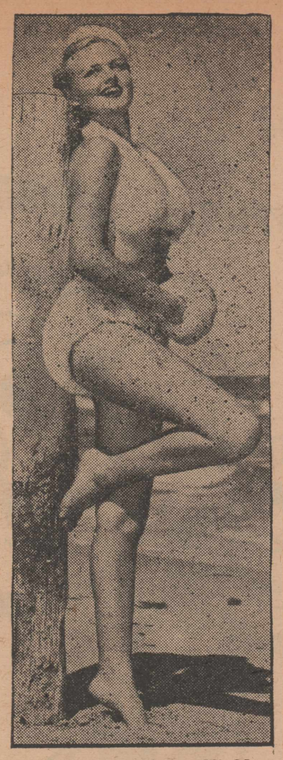
Love,
Alice Charaletta Holliman

Wellington, Texas

Dearest Santa,

This is my first letter to you as I am only a year old. Please, bring me a big ball, a rocky horse, a little tractor and anything else that a little boy my age could plya with. I also like candy and fruit I'll be looking for you Christmas eve.

Love,
Lynn Fulcher



WHO'S AFRAID?—Ol' Man Winter may be doing his dirty work in other parts of the nation, but that doesn't bother pretty Iris Maxwell at Miami Beach, Fla. She has abandoned her winter wardrobe, except for some fur trim, in order to take in the warm sunshine.

Samnorwood, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a bicycle, a winding bull dozer, and a gun.

Your friend,
Ronnie Vick

Route 3
Shamrock, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a doll, a book, and a bicycle I have been a good girl, Santa. I love you Santa Claus. Do not forget my little brother. Please bring me a little bear and ball.

Your friend,
Pollye Clark

Samnorwood, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a bicycle and a gun and a bat and a ball and a bull dozer.

Your friend,
Burle Vick

Dozier Route
Shamrock, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me two guns and a football and a cowboy suit and a gun.

With love,
James Hooten

Route 2
Shamrock, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

Dear Santa Claus,

How is it up at the North Pole I want to tell you what I want. I want a wagon, and a B-B gun for Christmas this year.

With love your friend,
Jerry Cook

Dozier, Route
Shamrock, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little girl eight years old, in the third grade and have been pretty good. Please bring me a baby doll, a nurse kit and a Bible story book, and a suitcase. And don't forget the other little children.

With Love,
Sharon Dieann Parrish

Route 3
Shamrock, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little girl eight years old. Mother said that I have been pretty good this year. I want you to bring me a doll and a nurse kit, a blackboard and a pair of shoes. Don't forget all of the other children of the world.

With love,
Twana Ross

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy 3 years old. I would like a big truck and a gun that shoots crows. Don't forget my 2 brothers Tom and L. H. Jr. and don't forget my granny's and Papa's at Wellington.

P. S. I would like some toy animals for my truck.

Love,
Richard Earl Needham

Dozier, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been real good girl. Please bring me a walking doll, a set of dishes, a paint set, a book, a bicycle, a pair of beads, and a necklace. Don't forget the other children of the world.

Your friend,
Andrea Sue Keller

1011 Graham St.
Wellington, Tex.

Dearest Santa,

Since I forgot to tell you everything I wanted when I saw you at Wichita yesterday, I will write you a letter.

Please bring me a Tiny Tears doll, an electric stove, dish pan set, and cooking utinsels and Santa please don't forget to come to see little Kathy Ann Cox.

I Love You,
Sherry Barker

Route1, Box 362
Wellington, Tex.

Dear Santa Clause,

We are two little boys, two and four years old. Mother says we have been good. We are going to be hard to please this year. We would like for you to bring us a big tricycle and a big wagon and anything else you think we need bad. We would like some candy, nuts, fruit and lots of bubble gum.

Be sure and don't forget our grandma's and grandpa's.

Lots of Love,
Harry Glenn & Eddie Gerald Patterson

Route 1, Box 87
Quail, Texas

Dear Santa,

I would like a doll, a set of dishes and some doll clothes.

Love,
Edna Wolford

Box 66
Quail, Texas

From Jimmy Crooks
To Santa

Dear Santa,

Please give me an army set, a doctor set, a tool set, and some fruit and some candy. Remember I am a boy.

Love,
Jimmy Crooks

Route 6, Box 54
Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a boy 8 years old. Santa I have been good. Santa Claus I have not been working. I want two holsters and two guns.

With Love,
Eddie Hale

Route 3
Shamrock, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a kite, a wagon, a gun, handkerchief, a bicycle and a Christmas tree There is what I want for Christmas.

Love,
Louis Boyd

Samnorwood, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a bicycle a paint set and a jeep with lights that will turn on and don't forget the other children.

Your friend,
Richard Christie

Greetings



FRIENDS

We're wishin' for you everything that's good. You're a swell bunch of folks, and we're mighty proud to have known you, and to call you our friends. MERRY CHRISTMAS.

INGRAM PRODUCE

Homer Ingram, Owner
Nutrena and Superior Feeds



Season's Greetings

In extending our sincerest greetings to our friends at this time we find an ever deeper meaning in the spirit of Christmas. For it is the furthering of friendship and brotherhood with others that brings to us the true joy of living...

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

Davis Gin

MARVIN WYNN MANAGER



Greetings for Christmas

The most cherished of gifts bestowed upon us by the outgoing year is the confidence of those we have been privileged to serve. Ever appreciative of this pleasant relationship, we want to express to our many good friends our sincerest wishes for a joyous Christmas season and a very happy New Year.

Morton Motor Company

Letters to Santa Claus

Route 6
Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

I want to tell you what me and my two brothers want for Christmas. I am 5 years old, Terry is 3 years old and Douglas is 12. I want a scooter and barrel gun, and big cattle truck. Terry wants a cattle truck, big tractor and building blocks. Douglas wants a magifying air rifle. Bring us lots of horns, candy, nuts and fruit if you can. Thank you and I hope you a Merry Christmas.

Yours truly,
Michael R. Scott

Weliington, Texas

Dear Santa Clause,

I am in the second grade and work very hard. Please bring me a holster set, tent, cattle truck and a cash register.

Thanks,
Joe John Henard

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa Clause,

Please bring me a grain truck, a tent, holster set, a football and lots of fireworks.

Don't forget the other children.

Your friend,
Dan Henard

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

As it is nearly Christmas, I am trying to be very good. Please bring me a holster set, a bicycle, cattle truck, candy and nuts. Don't forget the other children of Wellington.

Larry Henard

Skellytown, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl 8 years old. I have tried to be a good little girl. For Christmas I would like to have a Saucy Walker doll, a nurse set, and a pair of skates. Lots of candy and nuts.

Love,
Linda Killough

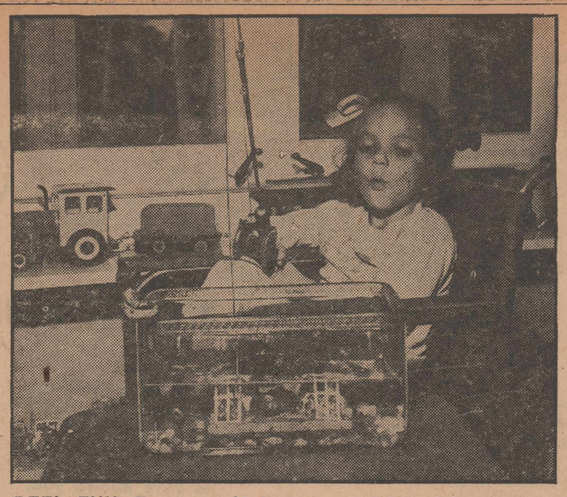
P. S. Santa we live at the Cabot Camp at Skellytown.

Skellytown, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy 6 years old, and in the first grade this year I have tried to be a good little boy For Christmas I would like to have a bicycle, tool chest and a set of guns. Lots of candy and nuts.

Love,
Jerry Killough



REEL FUN—Four-year-old Daru Sena of Miami Beach, Fla., keeps her parents busy supplying goldfish for her indoor fishing haven. Confined to a wheel chair due to injuries sustained in a fall recently, the lass amuses herself by using rod and reel in the fish bowl at home.



POSTER BOY—Four-year-old Delbert "Debby" Dains of Gooding, Ida., a polio victim since Thanksgiving Day, 1949, will be seen on posters throughout the nation in January when the 1954 March of Dimes campaign is launched. Debby was recently chosen by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis to represent its fund-raising campaign.

Dear Editor,

Please put this letter in this weeks paper.

Thank You,
Johnnie Parker

Dear Santa,

I am two years old and I think I have been a good boy. So please bring me a red wagon and a shot gun, a tricycle and some candy, gum and fruit. Dear Santa don't forget all of my little friends and my mother and daddy, my grandmother and grandfather, and Wayne Parker and grandmother and grandfather and Tommy Pendergrass. Santa I live at 1208 Belton St. Will you be here in town one day before Christmas?

A little friend,
Johnnie Anson Parker

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am 5 years old. Please bring me a stove, some dishes and a doll.

Lovingly yours,
Sarah Ruth Gardner

P. S. Don't forget Martha.

Skellytown, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy 4 years old. I have tried to be a little boy. For Christmas I would like to have a set of guns, a doctor set and a big log truck, lots of candy and nuts.

Love,
Nathan Lynn Killough

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,

We are a little boy and girl, Curtis is 7 years old and Jo Ann is 6. Will you please bring Curtis a train. Jo Ann a doll and we would like to have some oranges, nuts and candy.

Your friends,
Jo Ann and Curtis
Southerland

Wellington, Texas

Dear Santa,

My name is Dan and I am six years old. I would like to have a cowboy hat, size 20 inches and a gun and holster set. I want a remote control car, too, and don't forget my big brothers and my sister, Frances.

Your Friend,
Dan Warrick

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy 4 years old I have been a pretty good boy. I would like for you to bring me a road grader, fix all wrecker truck, 2 guns and holster. I have a little sister 11 months old, all she wants is a doll.

Don't forget all my little cousins. Bring us fruit nuts and candy.

Sidney McGill

Dear Santa,

I am a girl 10 years old. I want a nylon blouse, a slip, and an overnight bag. Please bring me some candy, fruit, and nuts.

Remember all the children over the world.

Your friend,
Linda Robinson

"Merry Christmas



From the Red River to the Rio Grande, your friends and neighbors at your electric service company wish you and yours a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

and Happy New Year!"

West Texas Utilities Company

We wish you a MERRY CHRISTMAS

For kind thoughts • for loyal support • for hearty cooperation • for all of the courtesies extended us during the past year, we thank you sincerely.

May your Christmas be joyful.



Farmers Co-op Gin

DODSON, TEXAS

Greetings



It's not easy to express in cold type the warm appreciation we have for the loyalty and good will of our many friends. Our sincere thanks for your friendship is second only to the pleasure we've had in serving you. To one and all we wish a joyous Christmas and a bountiful New Year.

City State Bank