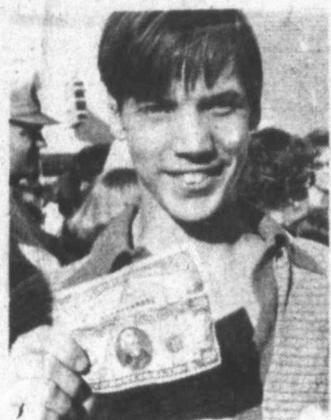




\$100 Prize Claimed
...Cary Redwine



Robert Andrews



Ellen Sayger



Mrs. Bradbury



Fern Bruce



Mrs. Gardner



First Place
...W. H. Boney Home



Second Place
...Wayne Webber Home

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Local Phone Users Get Rate Reduction

A reduction in charges for local service to Colorado City Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. customers went into effect Tuesday.

Winners In Last Drawing

Seven-year old Cary Redwine of 1215 Walnut claimed the \$100 bill in the last drawing for Santa's Dollars held Saturday afternoon at the corner of 2nd and Walnut.

He is in the first grade at Kelley Elementary and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Redwine.

The last drawing awarded \$250 in cash prizes and as usual for last drawings, everyone was present to claim the prizes. Colorado City merchants awarded \$800 in cash prizes in amounts of \$100 and \$25 in drawings the four Saturdays before Christmas.

Winners of \$25 prizes Saturday were as follows:
-Robert Andrews, Rt. 1.
-Ellen Sayger, 1402 East-over.

-Mrs. O. N. Bradbury, 1943 Locust.
-Fern Bruce, 928 Rusk.

-Mrs. Loren Gardner, 1446 Oak, claimed two prizes in consecutive drawings.

According to Colorado City city manager James Campbell, the rates locally will be as follows:

--A reduction from \$6.75 for residential users to \$5 monthly.

--A reduction from the present \$14.50 charged commercial customers to \$10.50 monthly.

However, according to company information, the new rates will mean higher charges for most telephone services as follows:

--A plan to charge for excessive calls to Directory Assistance.

--A new method of charging for installation, moves and changes of telephone service.

--A statewide 20¢ rate for coin telephone calls.

--A uniform extension telephone rate.

--And higher charges on most intrastate long distance calls.

Under the Directory Assistance Charging Plan, customers will pay 20¢ for each call to DA after the first ten calls per month. Visually or physically handicapped customers will be exempt from the charge, as will calls from coin telephones and hospitals.

The Directory Assistance charging plan does not go into effect until Jan. 7.

Charges for moving, rearranging and installing telephones will be based on a five-element charging plan.

The maximum charge for installation of one new residential telephone under the plan would be \$30; the maximum charge for the installation of one new business phone would be \$48.25.

Long distance charges are

based on a time and distance element with reductions for

less than a minute on short distance toll calls and in-

creases for intrastate operator-handled calls.

Gilstrap To Be Guest Speaker

Arrangements are continuing for the annual Cham-

ber of Commerce banquet, this year's banquet the 68th consecutive event, with Chena Gilstrap, athletic director at the University of Texas at Arlington, as guest speaker.

Those who have heard Gilstrap speak say that he is a humorous entertainer and that there are no dull moments during one of his talks.

The banquet is set for 7 p.m. Jan. 20 in the Civic Center but the menu has not been planned and no Master of Ceremonies has yet been selected.

Chamber of Commerce executive vice president Sef-ton Pickens said that tickets for the banquet will be available after the first of the year.

Gilstrap has been associated with UTA for the past 23 years, serving as head coach and athletic director, and is currently the chairman of the Physical Education Department.

Prior to stepping down as head coach in 1965, he compiled a record of 162 wins, 88 losses and 9 ties and

won six Coach of the Year titles.

He was recognized in 1958 as Arlington's Citizen of the Year and brought nationwide attention to the city and college by leading the team to two consecutive Junior Rose Bowl championships.

Before becoming associated with the Arlington university, he was head coach at Schreiner Institute in Kerrville.

Awards made during the banquet include those given in the past: Outstanding Chamber member, Farm Family, Jaycees' Distinguished Service Award and Business & Professional Women's Woman of the Year.

Arrangements for the banquet are being made by co-chairmen Shirley DeLaney and Bobbie Steakley.

B. B. Hardee has been president of the Chamber for the past two years and he will turn over the reins for the coming year to new officers who are currently being selected by the Chamber's nominating committee.

County Santa Named Carter

Santa Claus came early to Mitchell County this year.

His name in this particular instance is Richard Carter of Dallas, a native of Colorado City, the son of the late Dick and Lillian Carter.

His gift to his home county was a check for \$1,000 to be used by the Mitchell County Ministerial Alliance for their annual Christmas Basket program.

The Ministerial Alliance each year gathers money and foodstuffs to fix up food baskets to distribute to families in the county who would not otherwise have a big Christmas dinner. Distribution of those baskets began yesterday.

The Alliance normally distributes about 50 food baskets. However, this year, due to Carter's gift, the ministers distributed about 72 baskets that contained much more food-stuff than usual.

The baskets contained a 12-pound turkey, five pounds of sugar, five pounds of flour, 10 pounds of potatoes, fruits and canned items and much more.

The gift from Carter, who is involved in real estate in the Turtle Creek area of Dallas, more than doubled the amount of contribution of money and foodstuff that the Ministerial Alliance normally receives.

Carter initially contacted Chamber of Commerce Manager Sef-ton Pickens about the idea of holding a dinner for everyone who would not have a nice Christmas feast. Pickens after some investigation, called Carter back and told him that such a dinner would be difficult as it would be a problem to find out how many would attend.

Then Pickens suggested a contribution to the Ministerial Alliance's Christmas Basket program. After several more conversations, Carter mailed a \$1,000 check to Pickens who turned it over to the Ministerial Alliance.

Now, because of Carter, this Christmas will be a much merrier holiday for 72 Mitchell County families.

Farmers Approve Cotton Promotion

The cotton referendum ballots were counted Wednesday at the Mitchell County ASCS office and passed by the needed two-thirds majority.

Four hundred votes were

received in the office by Friday's deadline and the vote was 286 For and 114 Against. Percentages tabulated at 71.5% For and 28.5% Against.

Approval means that the cotton farmers in the county will go along with national contribution of \$1 per bale plus 4/10th of 1% of the value of each bale beginning with the 1977 crop year.

The ASCS office will be closed Friday for Christmas Eve and again next Friday for New Year's Eve.

ASCS executive director Don Stewart reminds cotton producers that cotton yield adjustments should be requested 15 days from harvest on a farm and that cotton yields should be reported at the ASCS office.

Football Banquet Set Jan. 8

Colorado High School Football Banquet has been set for Jan. 8 in the Colorado Middle School cafeteria.

The banquet is set for 6:30 p.m. and tickets are \$4 each. All parents are invited to the banquet and awards will be announced following the meal.

Guest speaker for this year's banquet will be Ecomet Burley, All-America nose-guard at Texas Tech, who played in the Canadian League last year and is currently working toward a law degree at Tech.

Awards which will be presented include the following:

--Football Sweetheart and Wolverines Beau.

--Hustling Wolf, football coaches.

--Fighting Heart, KVMC.

--E Award, Colorado City Record.

All varsity athletes will be presented and the coaching staff, as well as the Wolverines officers, sponsors and cheerleaders.

Closed For The Holidays

The Record office will be closed today (Thursday), Friday and Saturday as the office staff takes a few days off for the Christmas holidays.

The Sunday, Dec. 26 issue of the Record will

not be published because Christmas is on a Saturday this year.

The office will be open Monday at 8:30 a.m. and Thursday's edition will be published on schedule.

Decorated For The Season

Judging of the Chamber of Commerce sponsored Christmas Lighting contest was completed Monday night and the following winners have been announced.

--First place prize of \$50 awarded to W. H. Boney at 1644 Waco.

--Second place, \$25, to Wayne Webber of 904 E. 7th.

--Third, \$15, Ed Walls, 1665 Watson.

--Fourth, Linda Bennett, \$10, 1232 Vine.

Pictures of the first and second place winners are printed here.

The judges said that there were a number of good entries in the contest this year and suggest that local residents take a drive through the city some evening soon to see the colorful decorations in yards and windows.



FORD MOTOR COMPANY, through Hutchins Ford Sales of Colorado City, has donated to Colorado High School's vocational auto mechanics department a large quantity of new automotive parts along with a varied assortment of instructional manuals dealing with maintenance of vehicles. The items arrived at the school this past week. Pictured looking at the materials are Hutchins, right, and High School Mechanics Department Head Glenn Dunn.

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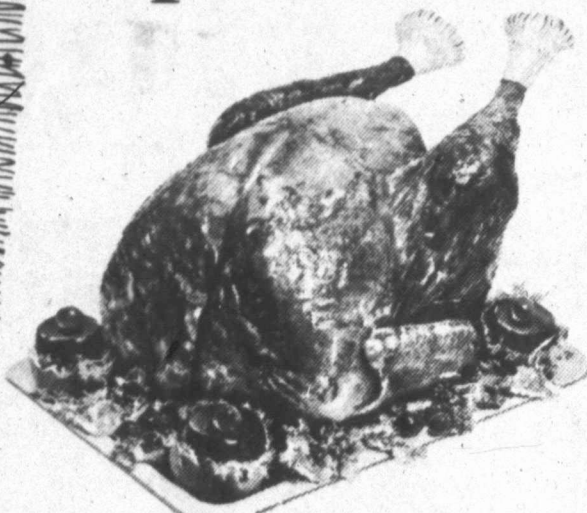
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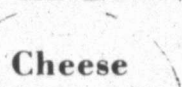
BUTT HALF...Lb. **\$1.29**

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Lb. **\$1.09**

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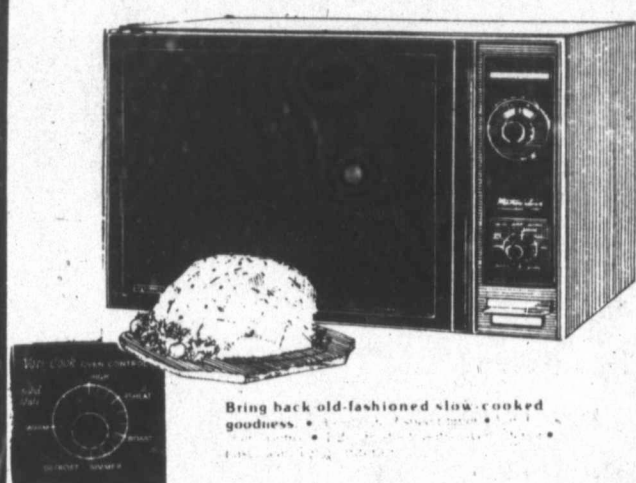
Schedule for the Christmas services at All Saints' Episcopal Church in Colorado City is as follows:

- Christmas Eve, 11:30 p.m.
- Christmas Day, 10 a.m.
- Sunday, Dec. 26, 8:45 a.m.
- Saturday, Jan. 1, 8 a.m.
- Sunday, Jan. 2, 8:45 a.m.

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Love,
Ronda Kelly age 9

Dear Santa,
I want a baby softee. I want a baby that-a-way. I want a baby doll.

Love,
Jimmie Kelly

Dear Santa,
I want a big ball and a doll.

Love
Katie Walls, I am in the first grade

Dear Santa Claus
I want a GI Joe and a gun and some nuts and a set walkie talkie and car set and a b.b. gun a pellet gun, stockings, cookies for Santa Claus and a streach armstrong, silly putty, candy and I want a picture of you.

Love,
Jake McCartney

Dear Santa Claus
I want a baby that a way and some book and some candy and a ball and a barbie Doll for my baby sister and a pellet gun for my brother and some cookies and a stocking and I want a picture of you Santa Claus

Your friend
Cynthia Cantu

Dear Santa,
Santa I want some toys for my friends for they will have fun. Santa, I want a toy for Tony. Santa I want a toy for Larry. Santa I want a toy for Adam.

Love
Ricky Salazar

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! I got your letter and I liked the lollipop very much.

I have been a good boy all year. I would like a tractor and a trailer and a pinao with a stool to sit on. Would you pelase bring these toys to my house on Christmas Eve? There will be some Christmas cookies waiting you.

Love,
Jeremiah Wood

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you doing?
I would like a Horn.
I am going to leave you some cookies and milk on the table beside the Christmas tree.

*Your friend,
Michael Hackfeld

Dear Santa,
My sister is writing this for me. I am 6 years old. This is what I would like you to bring me: Green machine, Shooting Gallery, Pin ball machine, remote control car, building set, a game, cop leggoes, a stuffed animals, Miss Palmers Store has a maze thing.

Love,
Brandon Fuller

Dear Santa, Claus,
I want a typewriter, I also want a shot gun if you please get Mrs. Chitsey a brass bed and bring jeffery a zipper for his mouth and I want a round bed with a crown on top of it. I also want a 1 day of nothing. I am 12 years old.

Thank you,
Rosie Vigil

P.S. I want a pinto car.
Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a very good boy all year long. Please bring me some boxing gloves. I am 7 years old.

Love,
Charles Diese

Banta Services Tuesday

W. K. (Shorty) Banta, 62, of Colorado City, died shortly before midnight Sunday at Strawn while visiting relatives.

Services were held Tuesday at the Kiker-Seale Funeral Home Chapel at 4 p.m. Bobby Chaney, pastor of the Christian Temple, officiated. Burial was in Colorado City Cemetery.

Born Sept. 27, 1914, in Oklahoma, he married Lillie Ople Green Aug. 1, 1936, in Loraine.

They moved to Colorado City in 1948. Mrs. Banta died in December of 1972. Banta was a retired painter. Survivors include a daughter, Betty Harvey of Colorado City; two sons, Don of Colorado City and Roy of Andrews; a brother, Paul Banta of Fillmore, Calif.; three sisters, Mrs. R. M. Mote of Colorado City, Elizabeth Lillie and Susie Briggman, both of Greenville; and five grandchildren.

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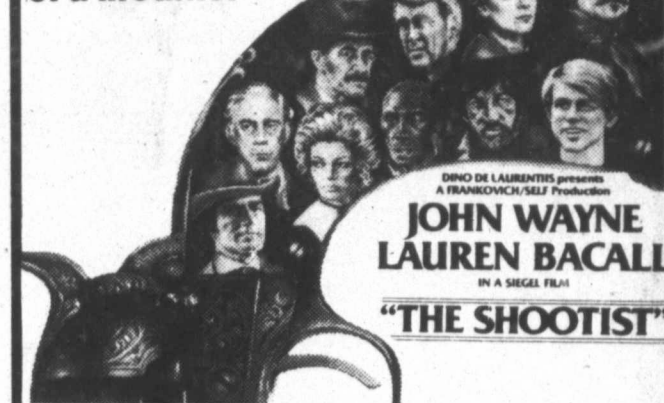
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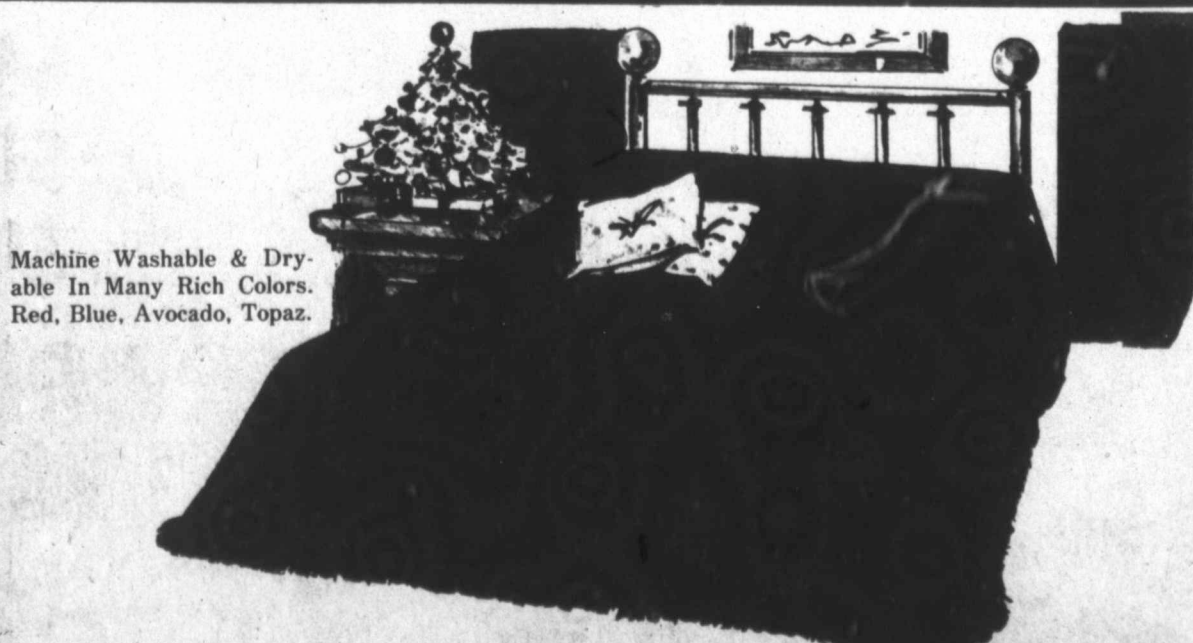
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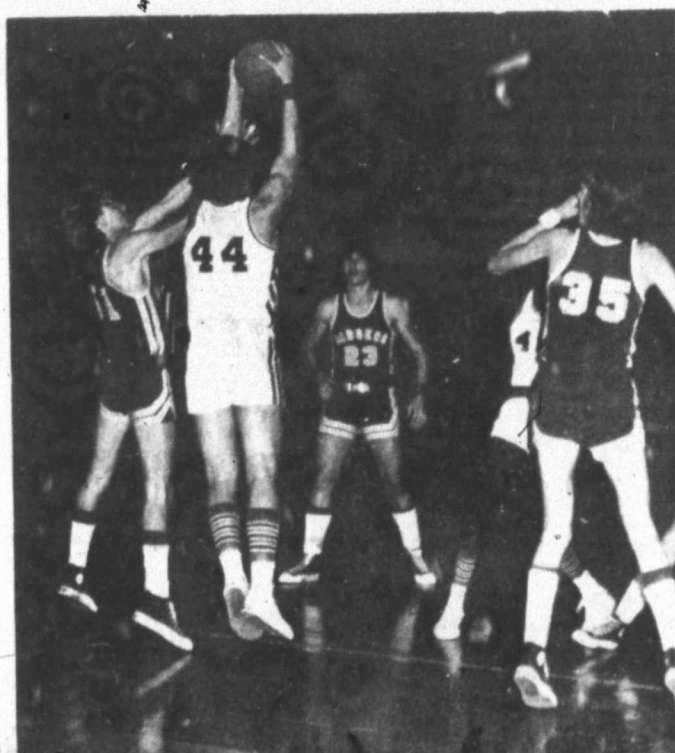
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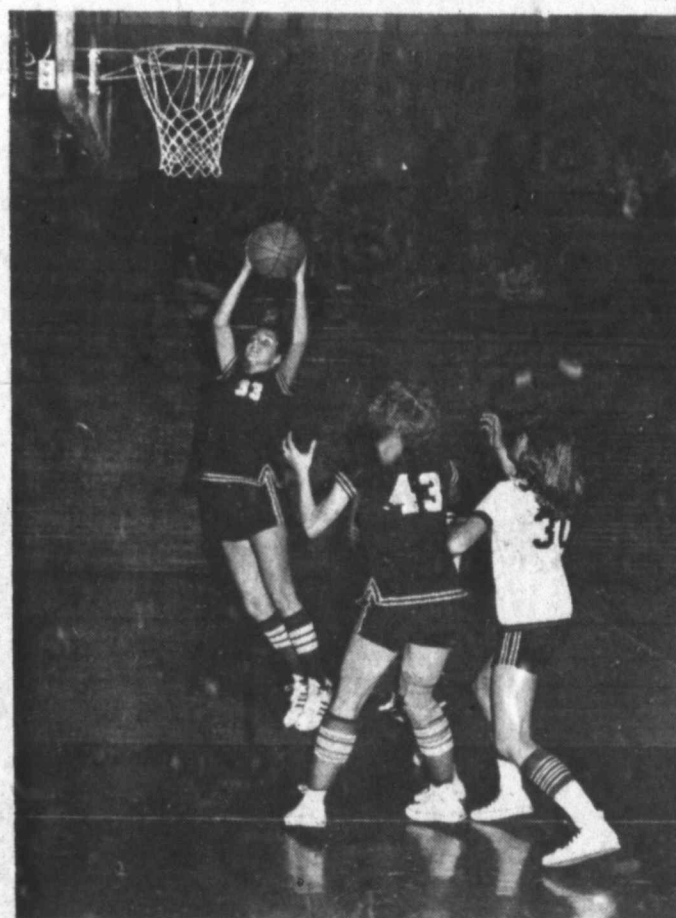
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DENISE HULME goes for the ball in this jump ball situation in a recent game as other guards for the Wolves, Susan Sheen, No. 42 in white and Kathy Moore No. 20 in white, look on. In picture at right Wolves Forward Karen Thomas, No. 30 in white, is blocked out as an opponent goes up for the rebound of a shot.



WOLVES BOYS VARSITY squad is in the thick of things in the District 6-AA race. In these pictures from the Merkel game won by the Wolves 87-54, the Wolves are shown totally dominating the action. In picture at top left, the Wolves are shown forcing the opponents into bad passes. Pictured for the Wolves in that picture are No. 42 Cornell Ausbie and No. 20 Blake Hammond. In picture at bottom left, the Wolves Jackie Ellis, No. 44, out jumps an opponent for a rebound as the Wolves Kevin Geiger, No. 30, stands by. In picture above the Wolves Craig Carter (in white) is pictured about to receive a good pass to go in for a lay-up shot.



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Yule Party Held

The home of the club president, Mrs. L. A. Keith, was the meeting place for the Self Culture Club on Dec. 17, at 3:15 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Keith. The Lord's prayer was spoken in unison by club members led by Mrs. Della Fox, who also led the pledge to the American Flag.

Report was given by club treasurer, Mrs. Jewel Tiller. Communications were read by Mrs. Fox and Mrs. Keith.

The club voted to send \$13 to Girltown at Buffalo Gap as a Christmas gift.

Roll call was answered with a favorite scripture.

Mrs. Dona Reed presented a program on the *Three Wise Women of the East* from Matthew 2:11. This is a story of the three women who were wives of the Wise Men who came to worship the baby Jesus.

The three main characters were Salma, who thought only of herself and her personal treasures; Lebonah and Helah. Lebonah was sending a gift, frankincense that she had been saving and Helah was sending a precious vial of myrrh that her departed mother had bequeathed her for a special occasion.

Salma, with all her treasures did not wish to part with any of them.

After much deep pondering, the story says, she decided to send all her gold bracelets so that thru her legacy, the gold of Ophir, her ancestors, could serve as a golden gift for the child.

By sharing her choicest treasures, she was joining the other women in a deed of love at this time of fulfillment of prophecy.

Christmas gifts were exchanged by the club members present.

Holiday refreshments were served to the women by the hostess. Those present included Jewel Tiller, Fannie Beeman, Lill Brown, Della Fox, Elizabeth Gary, Rosa Herrington, Louise Logsdon, Dona Reed, and Linnie Williams.



WATCHING ADMIRINGLY as Louis Trevino places his decorations on his class' Christmas tree is Ross Williams, far left. Both boys are students in Mrs. Wittie's 1st grade class at Kelley Elementary School.

Comptons Host Family Christmas Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Compton hosted a Christmas dinner for Mrs. Compton's family, the Pattersons, Dec. 19 in the Community building on 5th and Oak.

The family started gathering at 10 a.m. for visiting and turkey dinner with all of the trimmings at noon.

The afternoon activities included a white elephant gift exchange among the family members which revealed some unusual gifts. The remainder of the evening was spent in visiting.

Present for the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Patterson of Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Patterson of Robert Lee; Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Patterson of San Angelo; and Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Denman of Bronte.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Crowley Harmon of Robert Lee; Mr. and Mrs. Lannie Denman of Abilene and their two children, Shawn and Kristi Dawn; Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Dixon and their sons Troy and Kerry of Bronte.

Family members also included Mrs. Jean Burroughs

and children Cory and Kristi Dawn of Colorado City; David Denman of Plainview and Larry Thompson of Colorado City.

Visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams, Rev. and Mrs. Glenn Roenfeldt, Roger Roenfeldt, Mrs. Emma Edwards, James Edwards and Sheila Edwards, all of Colorado City.

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REV. WAYNE OGLESBY stood beside a display of Christmas poinsettias, given to the church by members of the Oak St. Baptist Church in memory of a loved one. Several other churches also provided decorations for their sanctuaries with these gift flowers.

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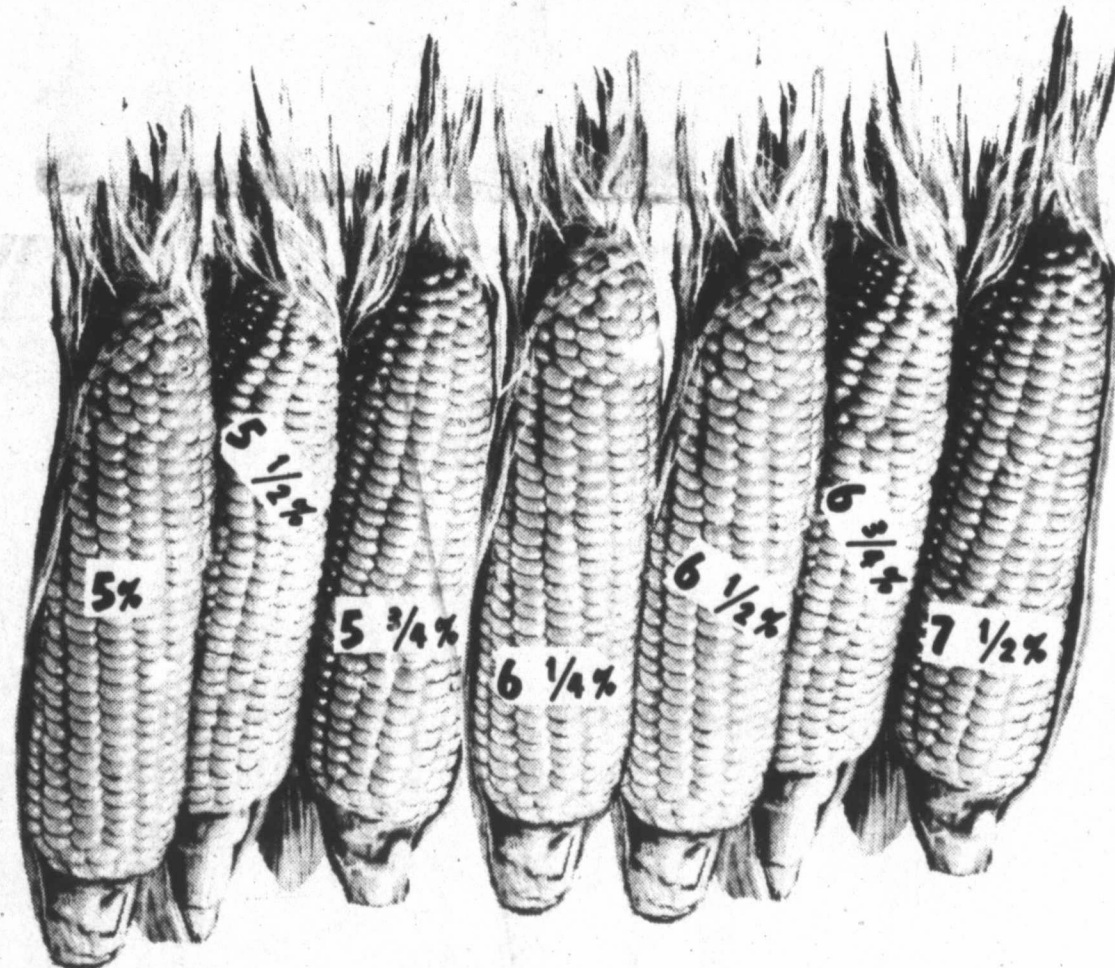
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Residents Reveal Holiday Plans

Mr. and Mrs. James Bennett had their three sons and families with them for their early Christmas dinner and gift exchange Sunday, Dec. 19.

Present were Dr. and Mrs. Wayland Bennett, Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Bennett and Kristi, Plainview, Mr. and Mrs. Daryl Bennett, Lisa and Peggy, Morton, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Lyon's and Catherine, Austin and Mrs. Vada Preston, Loraine.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Walker of Crane were weekend guests of her mother, Mrs. Harvey Leach.

Mrs. Homer Mearse will have for her guests on Christmas Day her two sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Mearse and Gary of

Abilene and Bill of Baylor University, Waco; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Mearse, Loraine, their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Mearse and Michelle of Mathis; and their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Albus of Tucumcari, N.M.

Mrs. Trixie West and Revel Phillips visited Mr. and Mrs. Leon Duke in Rotan Tuesday.

Mrs. Lily Bennett went to Slaton Monday and spent the night with her niece and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Truitt Fulcher and they took her to Lubbock Tuesday and she flew from there to Bozeman, Montana where she will spend the Christmas holidays with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Bennett.

U.S. Army Chaplain Jimmy Roberts, Mrs. Roberts and Mary from Fort Hood, visited Sunday night and the first of the week in the Herman Mitchell, L. R. Dunn homes and with other Loraine friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Tartt and little sons, Jason and Cameron from Garland, came in Wednesday night and will spend the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tartt and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Schroeder.

The Tartts also expect their other son, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Tartt and Angela from Andrews here for Christmas Day.

Mrs. Camille Alford of Abilene visited her mother, Mrs. L. E. Crutcher Satur-

day and she returned with her to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Addie Cheek left Saturday for Midland to spend Christmas with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Cheek, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Hughes and family of Carlsbad, N.M. came in the first of the week and are visiting their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Butler, Dawn and Krystal Lea. Dawn had visited with them the past two weeks and returned with them.

Fireman Of Year Elected

The Loraine Firemen hosted their annual Christmas banquet at the Loraine Lions Club Monday night with their wives as special guests.

P.A. John McElliott of Colorado City was speaker of the evening.

The meal, catered by Cree-Mee of Loraine was served from long tables decorated with greenery, candles, etc.

McElliott brought a very interesting talk on "The Growing Problem of Rural Health Care."

During the evening reports, Guy Hildebrand was announced as Fireman of the Year.

Some of the things accomplished by the department the past year, under guidance of Chief J. C. Hall Jr., has been answering more than 70 fire calls, which included both city and rural, one lost child, 15 storm watches, the Labor Day coffee stop served approximately 1600 during the weekend.

During the recent show storm the boys assisted approximately 100 motorists over the 2-3 day period, and two members, Chief Hall and Donnie Phillips completed the 6-week Emergency Medical Technician Course at Wallace Center in Colorado City. They will be able to give more efficient first aid when necessary.

There were approximately 48-50 present among them special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crownover, Mr. and Mrs. Moody Richardson, Bob Bruce, members of the City Council and their husband and wives and City Secretary, Homer Hart and wife.

Mrs. Hamilton Hosts Class Christmas Party

Mrs. C. C. Hamilton was hostess for the annual meeting of the Gleaners Sunday School Class of First United Methodist Church of Loraine on Dec. 14.

After a short business meeting dues and offerings were paid and the following program was presented.

Song, *Joy to the World* was sung by the group. Mrs. Jim Johnson read the 96th Psalm in giving the devotional.

Mrs. Frank Crownover played several recordings of songs sung by Lester Jarratt, Alvin Jarratt and Mrs. Crownover, accompanied at piano by Mrs. J. M. Templeton, and Margaret Jarrett Russell.

Mrs. Johnson also played her harp during the hour. After singing "Blest be the Tie," gifts were exchanged from the brightly lighted and decorated Christmas tree.

The house was decorated with holiday decor. A nativity scene was used on the buffet in the dining room. A meal of turkey, dress-

ing and all the trimmings was served at noon after Mrs. J. E. Price had said the blessing.

Enjoying the day were Mmes. J. E. Price, E. M. Bruce, C. M. Duke, Vanda Martin, Joe Bennett, Emma Land, Jim Johnson, S. E. Meadows, Frank Crownover and Hamilton.

Visitors were Mrs. Lilla Jiant of San Angelo and Mrs. Henry Beights and Ollie Mae Martin of Roscoe.

Harps' New Son Born

Staff Sgt. and Mrs. Milton Pete Harp announce the birth of their son named Michael Brent, born Dec. 7 weighing 6 lbs. 8 ozs. in Abilene.

The Harps have a 2 1/2 year old son Brad.

Mrs. Leroy Henderson 925 E. 16th in Colorado City is maternal grandmother. Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Clark 14th St. are paternal grandparents.

Open House Held

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Royce Mahon was festive with its holiday decor when they held open house Saturday night from 6 to 8 and again Sunday night after church services.

Yard trees with tiny blinking lights and other outside lights were used. The party rooms were festive with all kinds of holiday decor. The Mahon's daughter, Susan from Texas Tech was at the door and assisted her parents in welcoming guests.

Mrs. K. L. Taylor and Mrs. Hubert Thomas served coffee and punch with the Christmas goodies, cheese loaf, nuts, fruit cake, cheese crackers, olives, cake and candies. A silver candelabra held red carnations and made the table centerpiece. Appointments were crystal and silver.

Mrs. J. M. Templeton and Mrs. C. H. Martin were also in the house party.

Sunday night Mrs. Martin poured punch and callers helped themselves to coffee, served with the Christmas candies.

After visiting all took part in an old fashioned sing song.



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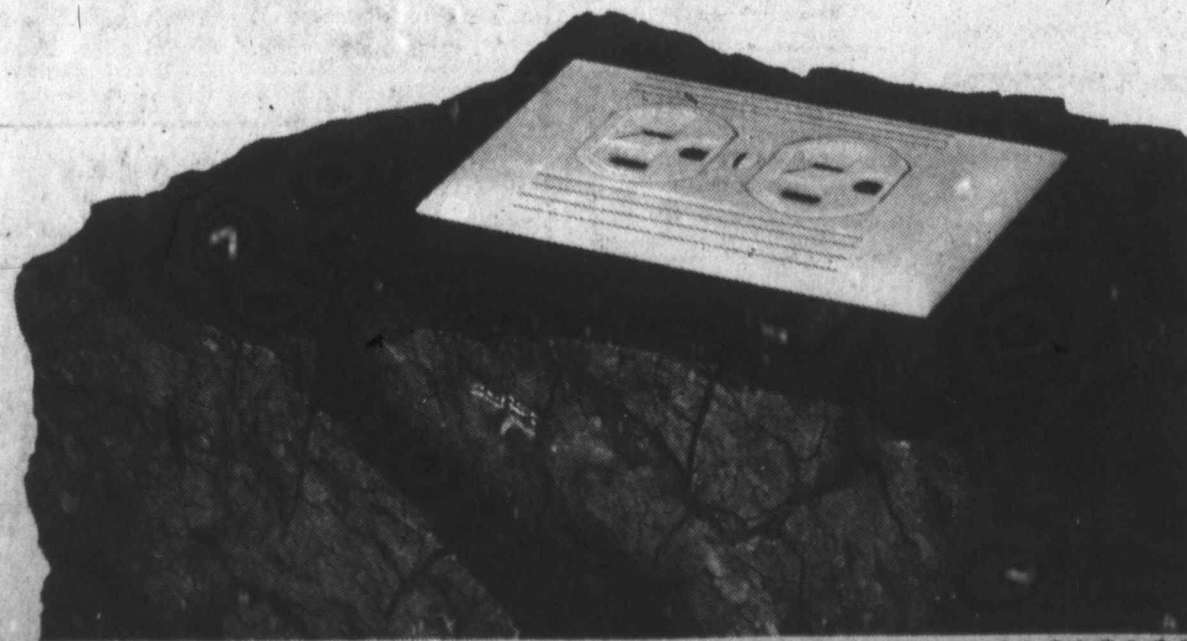
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A Statement of intent has been filed with the City of Lorraine and is available for inspection at the Company's business office located at 257 E. 2nd

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Help Wanted

HELP WANTED: Day and night help. \$2.20 an hour. Apply at Dairy Queen.

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Card Of Thanks

Sincere and grateful thanks to all who shared their prayers and thoughts of me in my sorrow. Also thanks to those who brought flowers, messages and food. God Bless you.

Lucretia Small

Card Of Thanks

We want to thank our friends and relatives for the many nice gifts and compliments we received on our new home. We thank all of you.

The Bill Preston Family

Pecan Show Winners

Choctaw pecans exhibited by Mrs. Linden Solomon were judged best-of-show among 20 entries in the first Mitchell County Pecan Show Saturday in the Charles C. Thompson meeting room of City National Bank annex.

O. W. Sweatt's entry of Money Maker pecans got the ribbon for reserve best-of-show.

The show was sponsored by the Mitchell County Program Building Committee and the Colorado City Chamber of Commerce.

James Bobo took the prize for first and second best seedlings and Larry Ivy had third place in that group.

Best native pecan was shown by Nolen Bird and Elmer Martin showed the second place entry in the native division.

Winners in the following divisions were announced: --Mahan, Mr. Brice Webb, first; Earl Webber, second; Linden Solomon, third.

--Burkett, Linden Solomon, first; Dr. Ken Cowan, second; John Morgan, third.

--Choctaw, Linden Solomon, first; Pearl Lindsey, second.

--Success, Arnel Smith, first.

--McCulley, Larry Ivy, first.

--Comanche, Dr. Ken Cowan, first.

--Wichita, Arnel Smith, first.

--Western Schley, Dr. Ken Cowan, first.

--Seedling, James Bobo, first and second; Larry Ivy, third.

--Money Maker, O. W. Sweatt, first.

Holiday Plans

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Mickle are their children, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Jamison and Jennifer of San Antonio; Airman William (Bill) Mickle of Chanute AFB, Ill.; and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Mickle and Misty of Colorado City.

Their Christmas holidays will be spent visiting with friends and relatives.

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Westbrook Area Christmas Holiday News

By Mrs. Altis Clemmer

Mrs. Mike Oglesby and son Billy spent a few days with her mother-in-law, Mrs. D. A. Oglesby this week.

Mrs. Oglesby and son live in Norfolk, Va. where husband and father Mike is stationed with the U.S. Navy.

They will visit her parents in California and return to Norfolk by Christmas.

Ronnie and LeRoy Miller, students at Sul Ross Alpine and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Miller of Louisville will spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Barb Miller.

Dale Webb of College

Colonial Food Store

Will Be Open Christmas Day 9 A.M. To 7 P.M.

Station spent the weekend with his aunt Mrs. Dalton Conaway enroute to Midland to meet his daughter Kellie of Las Vegas, Nev.

The two then traveled on to Jal N.M. to spend the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Harvey Webb.

Other weekend guests of the Conaways were Mrs. Andy Hancock of Midland.

The group, Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Conaway, Mrs. Hancock, Webb, Mr. and Mrs. William Conaway and sons Jeffrey and Greg, and Mr. and Mrs. Travis Conaway and baby traveled to Big Spring Saturday night to the home of Mrs. Travis Conaway's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sturdivant for a birthday celebration honoring Travis Conaway.

The Conaway families will meet Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Conaway.

Friday guests of Mr. and

Mrs. T. A. Rees were Mrs. Junior Dorn of Coahoma and Mrs. Joe Williamson of Snyder.

Thursday guests were Mrs. Faye Dupre and Mrs. Nellie Adams of Irving. The two had been in Eunice, N.M. to attend funeral services for their nephew.

The Reeses are expecting their children and grandchildren to spend the holidays with them.

In Westbrook for the holidays with the P. E. Claws will be their children, Mrs. Lillian Sullivan and Kim of Colorado; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Clawson of Albuquerque, N.M.; Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Clawson of Coahoma; Mr. and Mrs. Finden and sons and Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Board of Corpus Christi.

Rev. and Mrs. Bob Manning, Steve and John will spend the holidays in White-wright with her parents,

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Clark and his father, Boyd Manning in Bonham.

The Mannings' daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Thompson and son of Floresville will join them there.

Spending the holidays with the C. E. Rannes will be Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Ranne and Amy of Lewisville.

Eddie and Amy arrived Monday, Dec. 20.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Royce Feaster, Tracy and Scott of Lufkin, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Golden of Colorado City and Mrs. G. C. Ranne of Midland will also be visiting.

The W. A. Bells will entertain their children and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bell, Bradley and Cory of Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Don Taylor and David of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Sloane and son of La Feria.

Christmas Day guests of the Altis Clemmers will be Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Clemmer, Stacey and Curtis Wade of Colorado City, Mrs. O. J. Brown and Mrs. J. B. Wilkinson of Sweetwater; and Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Webster of Stanton.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Pierce and children Carey, Dewayne and Stephanie left Friday to spend the holidays in Florida with her parents.

Kregg McKinney of Texas Tech, Lubbock and Ross McKinney of San Marcus will spend the holidays with their parents and other relatives in Westbrook and Colorado City.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bell were in Lubbock over the weekend to have an early Christmas with her sisters, mother and brother.

They were in the home of Mrs. A. J. Holtkort in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Barber will spend Christmas in Monahans as guests of their daughter, Mrs. Harold Gaine and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Palmer of Jal, N.M. visited Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Conaway.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Barber visited her aunt, Mrs. Ada Armstrong in Big Spring Thursday.

Mrs. B. D. Taylor's sister, Mrs. Gertrude Proctor of Fort Worth was a guest in her home this week.

Expected for the Christmas holidays are their children, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wood and sons of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Earl D. Taylor and Mrs. Anna Hoffman of Big Spring; and Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Taylor, also of Big Spring.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Iglehart will be their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Quinney and children and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Weidt of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Rich and Daryl and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Rich of Westbrook.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Bill Coker and daughter Sarah of Allen will be New Year's guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Rice and children Julia, Debbie and Charles will spend Christmas Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mearl Currie in Colorado City.

Other guests will be Mr. and Mrs. Larry Currie and Shelia Jan of Odessa and Mrs. Karen Newby and Michelle of Colorado City.

The Ray Bell home in Colorado City was the scene of an early Christmas gathering of his family Saturday, Dec. 11.

The W. A. Bells of Westbrook; the Vance Armstrongs of Monahans; the John Bells, the Donnie Bells and F. S. Brown of Colorado City attended the get-together.

Miss Ann Hollis of ACU in Abilene will be home with her parents, principal and Mrs. Buddy Hollis.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Lankford are home from Temple where he received medical treatment.

Mrs. J. K. Williamson is a patient in Root Memorial Hospital in Colorado City.

Christmas guests of Mrs. Lillie Allen in Colorado City will be her sister from Dallas and her daughter, Mrs. Murry Jones and sons Ricky, Clark and Michael of Houston.

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Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is he that is born King of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him" . . .

And, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before

them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts: gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

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1025 15th

St. Luke United Methodist Church
1635 Walnut

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Dorn Community

Christian Temple
202 E. 5th

Plainview Baptist Church
Sterling City Highway

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805 Oak St.

First Baptist Church
3rd & Chestnut

First Baptist Church
Loraine

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We hope that the light of Christmas will shine forever in the hearts of our wonderful friends and patrons. We look forward to seeing you again, soon.

City Council & Employees of Colorado City

City Hall will be closed Fri., Dec. 24

Holiday Cheer

We credit all of our customers with making this the happiest Christmas for us. Thank you for your patronage. We look forward to serving you.

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Merry Christmas

May this be a special time to enjoy and remember the closeness of friends and family. We feel close to all of our friends and patrons and we hope to continue to do business with you.

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Christmas Art



CMS Students Choose Poem

One of the benefits of belonging to the Fellowship of Christian Athletes is the magazine you can subscribe to called *The Christian Athlete*. Coach Robinson has a number of back issues which the members like to read and circulate among themselves.

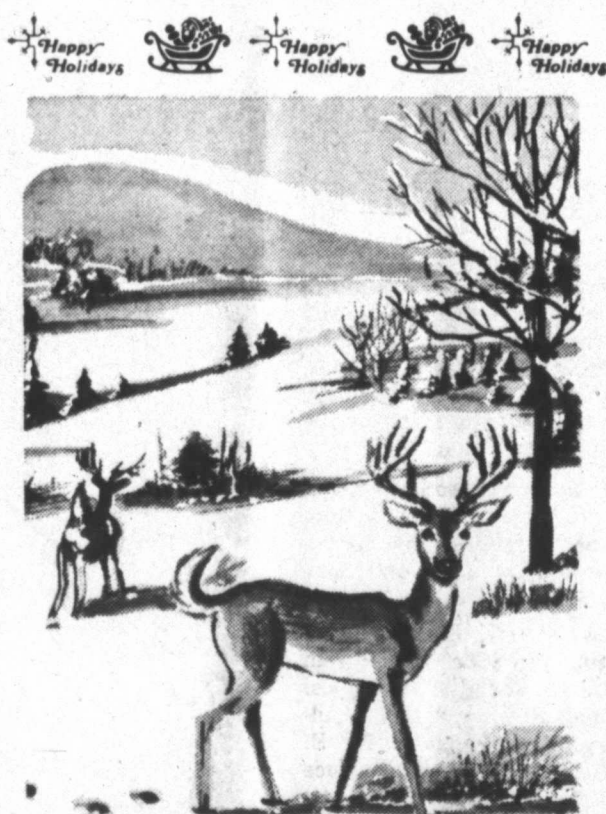
They found a Christmas poem in a December issue which they would like to share. It was written by an unnamed young person in an inner-city youth development center, and the writer named the poem, "Hooked"

"Hooked"

Jesus,
I wish I could get hooked on you
This Christmas!
You came to make me free, but I keep on
Choosin' gods that make me a slave.
They don't give a hang where I end up.
All they care about is gettin' me
In their camp...the heck with
Where I end up. That's crazy!

I've heard that you're different;
That you really care 'bout what happens to me.
Is that why you won't let me do
Like I please...even if it means
I'll turn you off?
That's great! It shows you're really
On the level.

Jesus, I'd really like to get hooked
On you this Christmas.
Then, instead of crowdin' you for a gift
I'll give one to you...
Myself. Amen.



GREETINGS

An old-fashioned Christmas greeting to all of our wonderful customers. We enjoy working with you and we hope that we can serve you sometime in the future.

Lynn Young
John Williamson
Gladys Howard
Frances Lamb
Rose Holguin
Maurine Sparks
Lana Stewart
Doris Jones
Lupe Badillo



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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



We love to thank all of our patrons at this time of year and wish them the best greetings for the holiday season.

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It is time to rejoice and honor the birth of our Saviour and to reflect and to remember His teachings. A holy Christmas Greeting to all of our fine patrons and friends.



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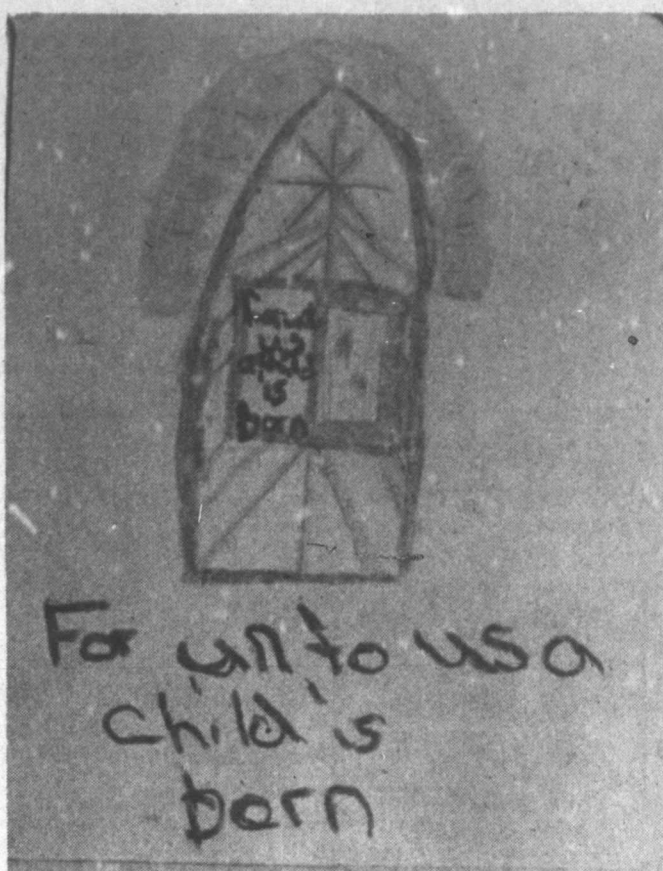
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Have a happy holiday season. Thanks so much for your patronage. We have enjoyed doing business with you and we look forward to many years of friendship and service.

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THERE IS NOTHING like simplicity to express the meaning of Christmas and why it is different from all other holidays. The drawing above was done by a student from Kelley Elementary School.



WISH LIST

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? What are you doing? I like pretty things. Do you have reindeers?

I would like Santa Claus to buy me some shoes. I want you to bring me a Baby Alive, candy, baton, books, snowman, coat, piggy bank, dishes, playhouse, clipboard, cap, barbie doll, sleight, basket, watch, black board, and a Jewelry box.

I want you to get through the back door and I will leave you some cookies and punch to drink. Merry Christmas.
Yours truly,
Terry Munoz

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you feeling? I have been good. How is Mrs. Claus?

I want you to bring me a Hush Little baby, Barbie Doll, Clothes, Purse, minibike, Teddybear, play broom, coloring book, mittens, puzzle, shoes.

I'm sorry because I have to go so get in through my door because I do not have a chimney good-bye. I am going to leave cookies and milk on the table.

Yours truly,
Janie Castro

Webb Hosts Baumann Christmas Dinner Party

Mrs. Lester Webb was hostess for the annual Christmas dinner party for Baumann Home Demonstration Club of Loraine Tuesday, Dec. 7. The home was beautiful with holiday decor throughout.

Mrs. Harvey Leach gave the Invocation before the meal of turkey, and trimmings was served.

Mrs. Mable Givens presided over the business meeting held after the meal. Mrs. L. E. Crutcher led the Club Prayer and roll call was answered with "Christmas Happiness I Plan to Share."

Mrs. Leach directed a Christmas game for recreation.

Fern Coon read minutes of the last meeting and Clara

Butler gave the Council report.

Mrs. Leach told the Christmas story and Mrs. Butler read a Prayer composed by Mrs. J. G. Bruce when she was a member of the club several years ago.

During the social hour Pal gifts were exchanged from the tree, and Pal names drawn for the new year.

Enjoying the day were two guests, Gladys Spikes and Fay McCollum from Snyder and members Mmes. Vada Preston, Pauline Smiley, Addie Cheek, L. E. Crutcher, Leach, Bernice Hallmark, Willis Cornutt, Mable Givens, Thomas Vest, Lynne Compton, Clara Butler, Gladys Payne and the hostess.

Baird, Taylor Co-Host Annual Christmas Party For Ruth Class

Mrs. Roy Baird and Mrs. Dexter Taylor were co-hosts for the Ruth Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church Loraine for their annual Christmas party.

The party was held Thursday afternoon at 2:30 in the Baird home.

Meeting opened with group singing "Silent Night" with Mrs. Taylor accompanying. Mrs. Hal Bennett led in opening prayer.

Mrs. Baird presided over a short business session. Mrs. Leach read minutes of the last meeting and Mrs. Charlie Harris gave the treasurer's report.

Mrs. Harris presented a

Residents Plan Holiday Vacations

The Butts family will spend a quiet Christmas at home in Sweetwater. A brother, Lloyd Butts from West Memphis, Tenn. will be visiting the Colorado City Penton & Sons Carpet store which he runs.

The Butts have tentative plans to visit Cal Lacey's Boys Ranch in Amarillo on the 22nd or 23rd of this month, returning home for the rest of the holiday season.

T. Sgt. and Mrs. Fred A. Green and daughter Melissa, will be in Colorado City for the Christmas holidays from Altus, Okla.

They will be visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Vest.

The Vests' son Bill will also be home from college for the holidays.

"Christmas" devotional after which Mrs. Clara Butler told the Christmas Story.

During the social hour Mrs. Butler directed a lively game and gifts were exchanged from the tree. Gifts were also brought for the tree for the Loraine Nursing

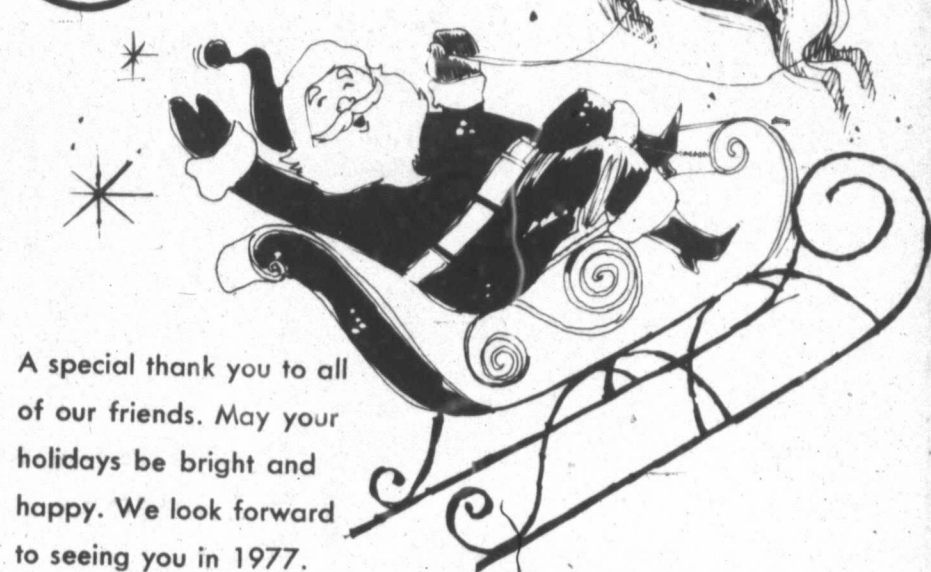
Home which will be held, Dec. 17.

The two hostesses served frosted punch, cookies, candies, nuts, etc. to Mmes: H. Hays, A. G. Mercer, L. E. Crutcher, Butler, Harris, Bennett, Leach, Vada Preston, Henry Neill, Edwin

Hallmark, Addie Cheek and H. G. Denson.

Just before the party was over the Happy Birthday song was sung to Mrs. Bennett and Mrs. Taylor and the group joined hands and sang, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

Season's Greetings



A special thank you to all of our friends. May your holidays be bright and happy. We look forward to seeing you in 1977.

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Season's Greetings

The best of the holiday wishes to you and yours from all of us. We hope that you will enjoy your holidays. We look forward to visiting with you again soon.

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Mrs. Frances Brooks



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It's our favorite time of year . . . when we pause to thank our many good friends for their patronage in the past. We look forward to serving you in the future. Have a Merry Christmas.

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Glenn Polk

Erdine Morgan
Karen Newby
Sandra Green
Dolores Wood
Fred, Elvita & Jim Bob



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Residents Reveal Holiday Plans

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Patterson of Colorado City, will spend Christmas Eve and morning with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Patterson of Hobbs, N.M. and their

grandchildren Dane and Cort Patterson.

The group will all return to the Lonnie Cokers for Christmas dinner in Big Spring.

Rejoice!



This Christmas season gives us a special opportunity to extend our greetings to everyone and express appreciation to our valued friends

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DISPLAYED BEHIND these Kelley students are specially designed Santa Clauses. Posing in front of their art work are students from Mrs. Reynolds' second grade class: (from left) Kim McKinnon, Becky Westbrook, Mark Walker, Raye Lee Marion, Holly Tarter, and Israel Davila.



LORI HOGUE attaches her decorations to her class' Christmas Tree. She is a second grader at Kelley Elementary School.

Study Club Has Yule Program

The Atheneum Study Club met in the home of Mrs. Floyd Coffee, Dec. 7, for their Christmas program.

Mrs. Doyle Hester led the club collect and presided at the short business session.

The 13 members present responded to roll call with interesting sketches of Christmas customs of foreign lands.

It was learned that more than half the nations of the world celebrate Christmas. No other festival brings so much happiness to so many persons around the world.

Many of our own symbols and customs of Christmas have been adapted from foreign lands. St. Nicholas came to us from the Dutch, some of our loveliest Christmas songs come from Germany.

Refreshments were served to 13 members.

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? Did you have any snow at the North Pole? We had about five inches of snow. I am going to leave some cookies and milk on a stool. I hope you can come to my house.
I want a racing police car, bike, B.B. gun, mini-bike, football, basketball, and a baseball set.
You can get in through the front door. Merry Christmas!

Yours truly,
Edward Garza



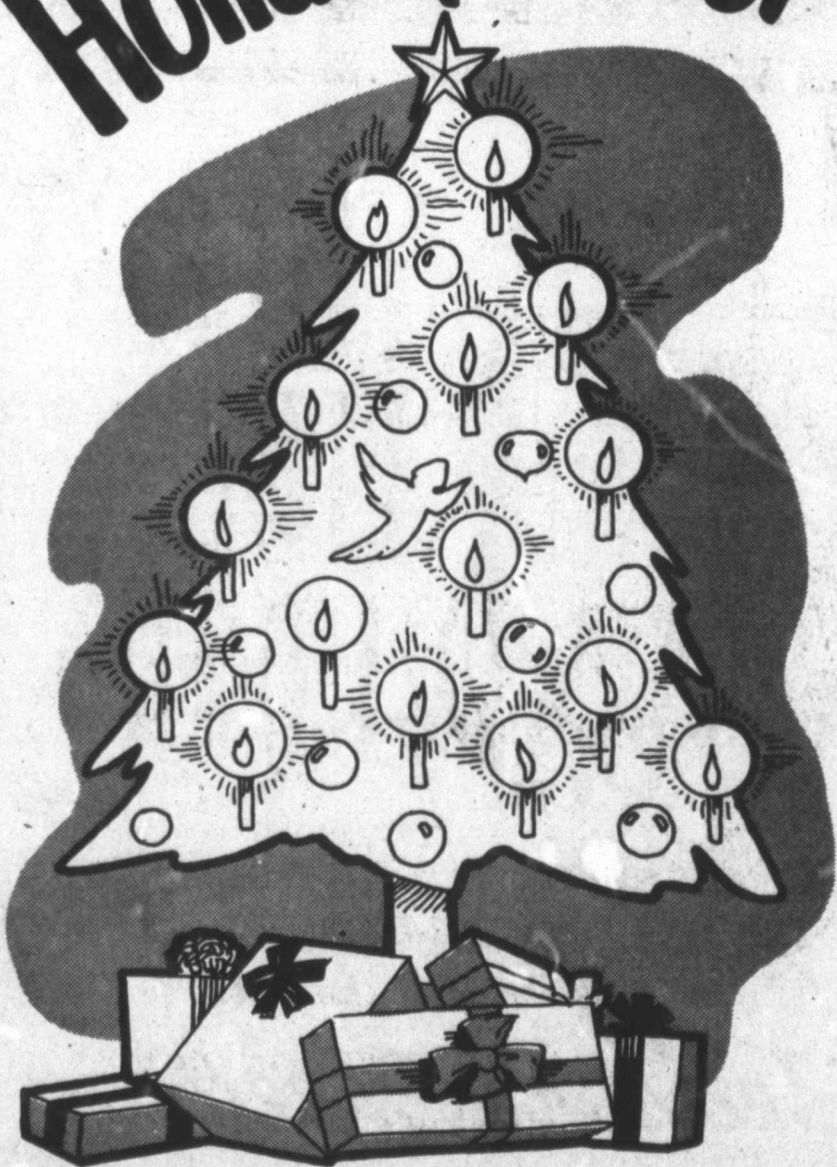
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Holiday Cheer



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Christmas is...

As the Christmas season approaches, the reporters were asked to share what Christmas means in their life. Some of their answers appear below:

Christmas means a time of giving. I can't think of anything better than to see the expression on someone's face when they open a gift.
Tammy Bodine

Christmas to me means a time to be happy and have fun. I believe that at Christmas everybody should be happy because Jesus was born.
Julie Davila

Christmas means to me the time for giving. It also means that a new leader was brought in the world. When Jesus arrived, he showed people how to love.
Jana Bassinger

Christmas means a lot of fun, happiness, and surprises. You are just too anxious to go to bed and sleep before putting up the tree. I can't wait to open my presents Christmas morning. It is fun to watch the rest of my family open their gifts.
Rumaldo Pineda

Christmas in my life means presents and lots of fun. Christmas means having relatives at my house. It is a peaceful, joyful time.
Debbie Hull

Christmas in my life means many things. To me it means the joy of Christ being born. It also means that I will get great joy of seeing my family and my friends opening their presents. It means sharing my love and kindness to everyone.
Cheryl Bradbury

To me Christmas is a beautiful time of the year: a time of caroling, giving and sharing, and family togetherness.

Christmas is a time of loving each other. At Christmas time brothers and sisters, aunts and uncles, grandmothers and grandfathers, cousins and kin all gather together and enjoy a big feast.
Andrea Swinney

In my life Christmas is joy and happiness. The reason I feel this way is because long ago, on a Christmas night, our Savior, Jesus Christ, was born.

Another meaning of Christmas is fun and being glad because you get nice things from other people. Even if you don't get much or even anything for Christmas, you should at least be glad that Jesus gave you a home to go to and clothes to wear.
Patricia Holguin

When you celebrate Christmas, I think you should remember what you are celebrating about. I like to hear all the Christmas music when you walk into a store to buy something. I also like to look at all the Christmas trees and the lights in people's windows.
Tim Nobles

To me Christmas means happiness and the remembering and celebrating of the birth of our Christ Jesus. I also think of the beautifully decorated Christmas tree that we have every year. I think of all the presents that we give and receive. Most of all, I think of seeing people happy and friendly.
Pam Wilson

Christmas in my life is a time to be happy. In my life it is a time to celebrate the birth of Jesus. It is the time to be merry and jolly. Christmas in my life would be to be good to all the people.
Ray Garcia

Christmas in my life is the

fun of putting up a Christmas tree and decorating it. Christmas in my life is listening, singing, and also playing Christmas songs. Christmas is also the giving, receiving, and opening of presents. But most of all Christmas in my life is seeing people happy to make me happy.
Mickie Palmer

Christmas means a lot of things to me since I am a kid. I have a lot of reasons such as gifts. It means loving, sharing, giving, and receiving. I feel good when I give presents.

It makes you feel better when you receive them. You have the joy of seeing them being ripped open by a little child or seeing them being opened by an adult.

Adults take their time at opening gifts. Christmas also means seeing relatives, or just being alone with your own little family.
Kerry Spivey

In my life Christmas is a time of joy. My family comes together to have fun and to exchange gifts. It is also to celebrate Christ's birthday. My cousins and everybody comes home for Christmas.
Tracy Claxton

Christmas is a time of happiness to myself. Happiness comes from giving and receiving gifts. The gifts I get, small or large, don't matter as long as they are given in love.
Kelley Dockrey

Christmas means a lot of things, but the most impor-

tant is that Christmas is the day that Jesus Christ was born. Another thing you get a lot of different kinds of presents. It is happiness for all people. It is travel to other places.
Bennie Arocha

It's Christmas time again and time to make cookies, decorate trees, and collect pine cones for the mantle.

But as everyone knows, Christmas is not only a beautiful time of year, but it is also a time for sharing: Sharing love, sharing time, and sharing some of yourself, also.

On Christmas Eve when everyone gathers around the piano to sing carols, you get a jingling feeling that makes you so very joyful and thankful that the family you have is your very own. You will cherish this time and these people in your heart forever.

Of course, there is always the traditional greeting from the "Aunt Kates" and "Uncle Joes": "My how you've grown!"

And if you think about that for a minute, you may not have grown in physical form, but possibly your character, your emotional control, and your feelings about the world have really matured in many ways.

Think about it! Merry Christmas.
Marjori Maddox

To most people Christmas is when the Baby Jesus was born. To more people it is a time for giving and sharing.

Well, it is all this to me, but Christmas is a little more than this. Christmas is a time for loving. It is a time when all families get together.

And while Christmas is supposed to be a happy time, it can be a sad time. For maybe someone who has shared Christmas with you all your life is not here this year and never will be again. Or maybe for the first time you realize that the gifts you are going to get don't excite you that much.

In this way you have to learn the joy of giving as well as receiving. These are kind of shabby words, but it is hard to put into words what Christmas really means to me.
Sam Houston

Christmas means that it is a time for the families to get together. It also means that it is a time for giving and receiving gifts and sometimes making sure that other people have enough food to eat. It is also a time that you can do something for someone that you have been putting off. Doing this shows them that you care.
Mark Carter

Christmas means the night when Christ became a human being. The giving of gifts was not the original means of Christmas, but now it has become a part. I think it's fun giving and receiving gifts.
Kari Morren

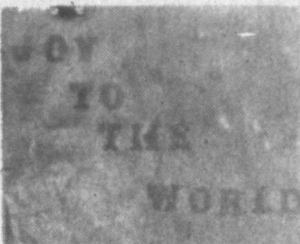
Christmas to me means the birth of Jesus our Lord. Christmas is a time when all people should be joyful and happy. Christmas is when Santa Claus comes down the chimney.

Christmas is also a time to exchange gifts and for remembering the events of the year. It also means a time for sharing. That is what

Christmas means to me.
Teresa Gorham

The sixth grade social studies classes are continuing to give oral reports on the countries they are studying. We are having a test to conclude our study on the Soviet Union.

After the test we will be studying the Middle East including Saudi Arabia, Turkey, India and Iran.
Teresa Gorham



THE SCENE on Coach Robinson's door could have been taken from Dickens' Christmas Carol.



AT COLORADO MIDDLE School, students decorated their classroom doors. The one pictured above was fashioned by the Library Helpers.

Christmas Story Presented

Mrs. Willie Brooks was hostess to the Martha Bible Class in her home Dec. 10. Members brought gifts that were placed under the Christmas tree to exchange.

Mrs. Christine Bell presided and gave the opening prayer.

The devotional was given by Mrs. Nettie Hodges and was taken from Luke 2. Mrs. Brooks gave a reading.

After a short business session, gifts were exchanged. The hostess served a sandwich plate to the class members.

Those present were Jewell Horn, Sadie Troutt, Erma Graham, Ethel Richburg, Irene Walraven, Ruby Ross, Bessie House, Nettie Hodges, Christine Bell, Ruth Geiger, Irene Akey and Edna Brooks.

Blessings to All



Christmas is the most Holy of holidays when we celebrate the birth of our Lord. We hope that all of our patrons enjoy a Holy and happy Christmas Season.



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*"How the glow
of Christmas is in the air,
dismissing every care.
May your holiday season be bright,
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Dear Mr. Clause,
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Your friend
Carl Britton

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa Claus,
How have you been? Hope you have been fine.
For Christmas I would want for you to bring me a swimming pool, skates, and a place for me to skate in like a play skating ring.
Well time has come for me to say good-bye so good-bye.

Yours Truly,
Tommy Munoz

Dear Santa Claus,
It snowed here about 6 inches did it snow where you are at. I hope you are fine.

For Christmas I would like for you to bring me an Evil Kenivel Jump cycle, Six Million dollar Man, game of Jaws, Power Pass, skates, Mini Bike, Nerf football and that's about all.

I hope you can come to my house if you do you may come in through my window.

Yours truly
James Munoz

Dear Santa Claus;

Bobbie and Mark wanted to send you a letter and tell you what they want for Christmas. Robbie has been and pretty good boy sometime's. And Mark has been a pretty good boy too. They both mind their Momma and Daddy and Allen too.

Robbie would like to ask you Santa to bring him; play-doe, Mark would like to ask you Santa to bring him some play-doe, and he wants a pop-gun, and he wants a football helmet, and some pretty clothes. And a Mighty Mo. We hope to see you Christmas. Robbie and Mark says to be careful on your trip and we will have you some fruits and candy and put it under the Christmas tree for you to eat. Hope you like them.

We love you very much

Robbie and Mark
Mama & Allen

P.S. Robbie wants a Green Thing, a football and helmet and also a gun.

Dear Santa,

How have you been. I want a baby tender love. And I would also like a organ. I would like a bicycle. I would also like a Micky Mouse watch. And a raggedy Ann sharper. And most of all I would like a T.V. Tennis. And the jaws game. And a doll stroller, and record player. I will live you cookies and milk on the table. I'm in the Second grade and I'm 7 years of age.

Love
Mary Paula Badillo

Dear Santa clause,

Please, if you can, bring me a drum set, a six Million dollar man, Stretch armstrong. Please, my brother would like a weeble tree house, stretch armstrong drum. Thank you.

Love
Ruben & Richard Parras

Dear Santa,

I am Melanie Aston. I am 6 1/2 years old. I've got a baby sister. I've been a good girl and so has Barbie. She is almost 2 years old. Is it snowing at the North Pole? Are

your elves making toys? Have you got your deer ready for Christmas? I want a "Drink & wet" Baby Doll, a Spirograph, Headache game, and "Ants in your Pants" game, skates and a Lite-Brite. Barbie wants an Inch-Worm, Cobblers Bench, The Farmer Says See 'N Say, a doll and a Mickey Mouse Phone. Good-bye Santa. We love you.

Melanie & Barbie

Dear Santa,

I hope you think I have been good enough to have some toys. I am very excited about Christmas. I do want very much a Barbie 2 doll Sleepin keep case and my brother wants a Bulldozer toy.

We will try not to fight between now and Christmas. I am in the 2nd grade now. Kevin has 2 1/2 more years until he starts school. In case you don't have enough toys that we wanted, we don't mind if you want to bring something else instead. We will be happy to get anything you might bring us because we love you. We will leave you some goodies to eat. I hope you and Mrs. Santa Claus and the elves have a very merry Christmas.

Love

Kim McKinnon and Kevin McKinnon

Dear Santa,

I want a Flatbed trailer.
Also an NFL Football.
A thunderbird Air-plane, would be nice.
And also a football helmet with the Dolphins.
And last a pair of hiking boots.

Jeff Neff

Dear Santa,

I would like these things for Christmas:

- 1) Army Gun
 - 2) Army Helmet
 - 3) Tinker Tools
 - 4) Batman and Robin-Alarm Clock
 - 5) Batmobil
 - 6) Batman Boat
 - 7) Helicopter
 - 8) Car like got Crutis
 - 9) Oil truck-Refinerries
- Please bring me these or some of these for Christmas.
Thank You!

Hal Morren

Merry Christmas To All
P.S. Tell Rudolf Hi from me.

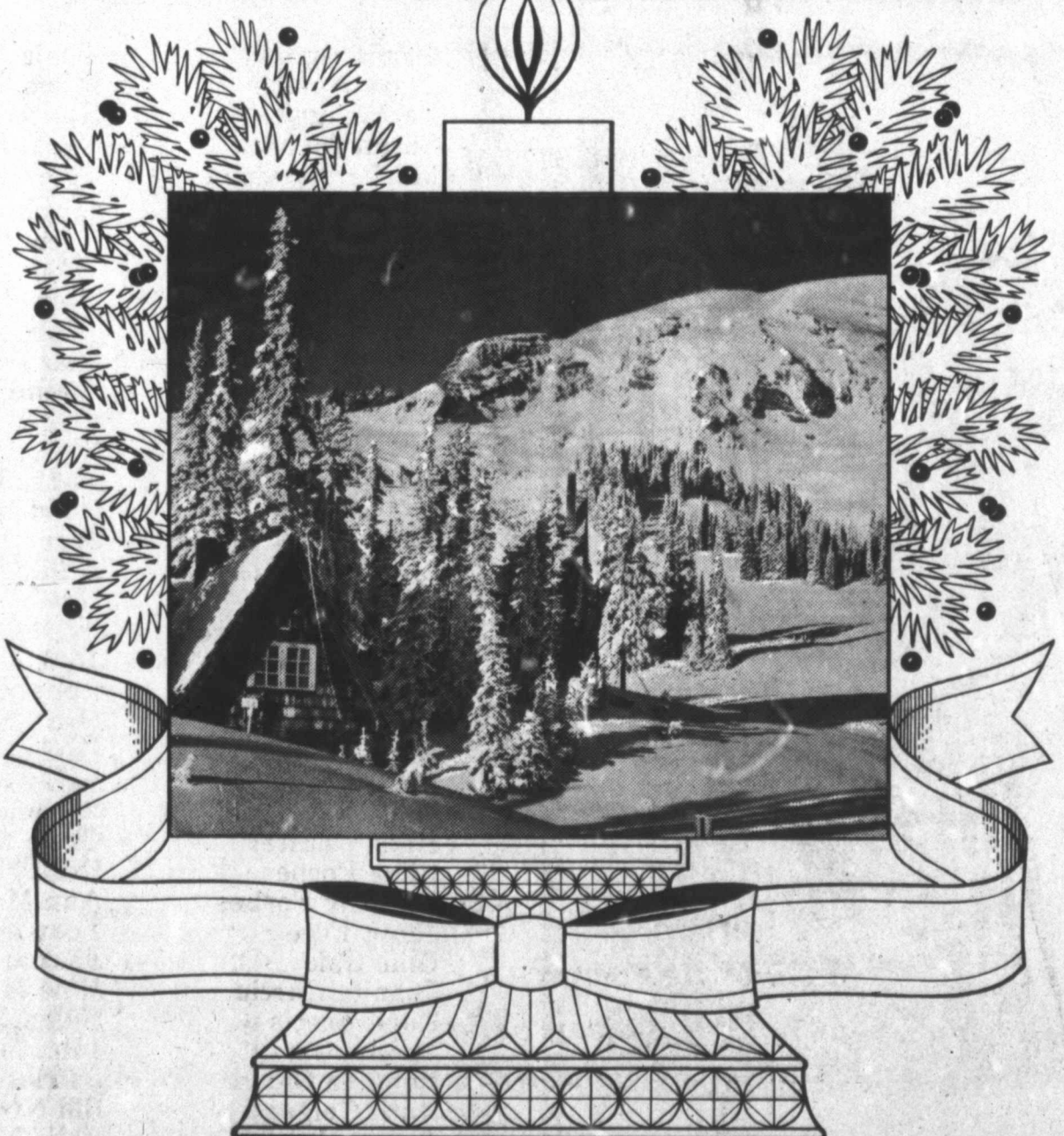


MISS RIDGELL's first grade class decorated their Christmas tree with colorful paper chains, birds, and an angel at the tip top. Showing off the tree are from left: Sharon Elder, Patricia Vasquez, Hilario Gonzales, and Amy Aguilar.



CHRISTMAS EXCITEMENT just simply tired out Shelia Monroe, kindergarten student at Kelley Elementary School.

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Stay warm and happy this holiday enjoying family and close friends. We consider you our dear patrons and warm friends. We hope that you have a wonderful holiday season.



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Kathleen Utsman
Leslie Moore





BELIEVE IT OR NOT some people have never seen a reindeer. To educate these people, a group of students at Kelley Elementary School made these pictures to help them get the idea. Their names are Dancer, Donner, Blitzen, Comet, Cupid, Vexen, Prancer and of course, Rudolph.



IT TAKES A LOT of effort to make a Christmas tree look festive and Donovan Kelley, second grade student in Mrs. Reynolds' class, concentrates on making it look right.

Dear Santa

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you and Mrs. Claus? We had a big snow. Did you? I want a table, chair, a doll that cries and uses her diapers, a cat and a pair of shoes that you wear at night and some new clothes and a puzzle that is what I want for Christmas. Oh I want a necklace, and a bracelet too.
I do not have a chimney. So come through the front door. I will leave you some cookies and milk to eat. I wish you a Merry Christmas.

Yours truly,
Flora Warren



Have a happy and carefree holiday. We look forward to doing business with you again in the near future. We enjoy working with you and sincerely appreciate your patronage.

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CHRISTMAS JOY



Christmas is that wonderful time of year filled with the laughter of children and the warmth of friendship. We look forward to a wonderful holiday and we hope that all of our loyal friends and patrons will have a great holiday, too. We enjoy working with you and we take great pleasure in wishing you the best wishes for the season.

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Your friend,
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Dea Santa Claus,
I like you. We have had some snow. I have been a good little girl.

I want a great big doll, a baby cart, a wreath, a toy record player, and a jewelry box.
You get into my house by crawling into one of my windows. And have a Merry Christmas!

Your friend,
Edna Jo Hair

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? Have you had much snow at the North Pole? I want a Baby Alive, record player, dishes, sheos, and a play house. And I will leave some cake and cookies on the table. You can come in from the front door.

We are going to have a party on the 22 and I hope you can come. Are you going to bring sacks of candy, apples, oranges, toys, and some games.

I have to go for now and I hope you have a Merry Christmas.

Yours truly,
Vera Barrera

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been good. Did it snow where you live? I want a little jeep, play machine gun, wagon, G. I. Joe, Six Million Dollar Man, power pass, jet, pogo stick, swimming pool, rubber snake, bike, and a football.

You can come through my chimney.

Yours truly,
Charles Alvarez

Dear Santa Claus,
How are your reindeer doing? Are you doing well in the snow? I hope you come to my house tonight.
I want you to come in the front door. Do you know what I want for Christmas? I want roller skates, Jaw Games, Doctor Games, Barbie Clothes, Baby Alive. I am going to give you some cookie and a glass of milk. Have a nice Merry Christmas.

Your truly,
Jolinda Troutt

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? Have you had much snow at the North Pole?
Please bring me a baby alive, necklace, ring, teddy bear, dress, red gloves, bracelet, candy canes, earrings, barbie, red shoes size 12, hat size 7, and a ball.

You can come in through the front door. Merry Christmas.

Yours truly,
Alice Lopez



A yuletide complete with evergreens, gaiety, love and the opportunity to serve our fine friends and customers is our greatest wish for this Christmas season.

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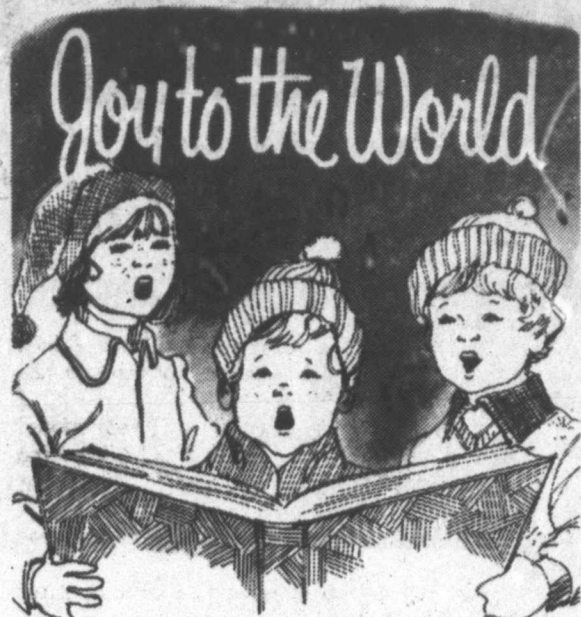
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As we
turn to our
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Lorraine

Happy Holidays!



When we think of good times and happy holidays, we think of our dear patrons who have visited us throughout the year. Have the happiest of holidays.

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THIS DOOR was decorated by the Spanish Club members of Loraine High School. Entitled Feliz Navidad, the door placed 1st in competition with the other classrooms.



THE SOPHOMORE CLASS at Loraine High School created this Nativity Scene and took 2nd place in the judging for their efforts.

First Graders Dictate Letters To Santa

The fourth grade students of Loraine Elementary climaxed a unit on letter writing this past week by writing letters to Santa Claus. These students, under the direction of Mrs. Donna Baker, visited the first grade class. As each excited first grader told their wants and wishes, the fourth graders quickly wrote down the lists for Santa.

Back in their own classroom, the fourth graders wrote the letters, correcting form and spelling. Making and addressing the envelopes to Mr. S. Claus was also completed before the letters were returned to the delighted first graders.

After reading their letters to be certain that each was "just right" the children stamped their letters and took a bus trip to the U.S. Post Office to mail their letters to Santa.

Mrs. Nancy Newton, teacher; Mrs. Dorothy Green, aide; and T. P. Henderson, Elementary Principal, accompanied the class to the post office.

These are those letters:

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you? How is Mrs. Claus? We had about six inches of snow.

I would like for you to bring me Jaws, a car, a play rifle, little men (dolls), and a blue shirt.

Please come through my door. I hope you have a happy Christmas Eve.

Yours truly,
David Sanchez

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you? What do you want for Christmas? I want you to bring me a car, be gun, cowboy boots, drums, pants, horse, six million dollar man, jeep, truck, coloring book and colors. You can come in my back door.

Yours truly,
Richard Barrera

Dear Santa,

How are you? We have been getting ready for Christmas an everything. I have been very good.

Please bring me a baby alive and a big bike for Christmas.

I am very sorry but we do not have a chimney. You can get in through the front door.

Yours truly,
Donna Massingill

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been a good little girl. We had about 6 inches of snow.

Bring me a doll, penny bank, necklace, coloring book, and colors.

I am going to say good-bye.

But when you come to my house you open the front door. I am going to leave you some milk and cookies.

Your friend,
Eva Esquivel

Dear Santa Claus,

I had too much of snow.

I want a Evel Knievel, and a truck and a big truck.

Get in from the front door. There is something to eat, hot Chocolate and toast. Happy Christmas to all, to all, to all a good night.

Your pal,
James Mosher

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you and Mrs. Claus?

I would like a race track, football set, abominal snowman Evel Knievel, the great white, shark, and jaws.

You can come in my front door Merry Christmas.

Yours truly,
Quentin Market

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you? Did you have any snow at the North Pole? I hope you can come to my house.

I want a motorcycle, pellet gun, two cars, football suit, jaws game, boat, sling shot, fire truck, and a police car.

You can get in the chimney. I am going to leave a piece of cake and a glass of milk. Merry Christmas!

A good boy,
John Preston

Dear Santa Claus,

I hope you and your wife are fine.

I would like a truck for Christmas. And if it is not too much trouble I would like a book and a black board and a chair and a desk and if it is not too much trouble I would like a radio and a train and a toy plane and a pencil and a Merry Christmas!

Yours truly,
Junior DeLaPaz

GREETINGS



As we celebrate the holiday season, our thoughts turn to our many friends and patrons who have visited us through the years. We are looking forward to serving you in the future as we have in the past and we hope that you will have a great holiday season.

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Vida Mae McDaniel
Debbie Finley
Adeline Boyd
Christine Oliver
Jay Lee
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GREETINGS Thanks for all of your friendship and patronage this year. We look forward to always offering you the best service available.

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AGRICULTURE



PLACING THIRD IN the door decoration contest was this scene of Santa's sleigh being pulled, not by the customary reindeer, but by pigs. It isn't hard to guess that the Future Farmers Association of Loraine High School was responsible for this annual Christmas scene.

Holiday Plans

John and Jolyn Mikow, owner of Longhorn Leatherworks, the local boot and shoe repair shop, will visit relatives in El Paso during the Christmas holidays.

Time will also be spent touring boot making businesses in the city.

Mrs. Bernice Hilliard will have her family here from Korea. SSgt. John M. Hilliard and family, on Saturday, Dec. 25 for Christmas dinner.

Also visiting with them will be Mr. and Mrs. Danny Hilliard and family from Andrews.

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Oh Holy Night

When man begins to understand, he will love. And when his love is understood, there will be lasting peace. A peaceful Christmas to all of our wonderful patrons.

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We hope that the true meaning of the Christmas Season will bless your home with love and peace this most holy of holidays. We have enjoyed your patronage and we hope that we can continue to work with you in the future.

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Children Tell

"What I Want For Christmas"

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a red bike. I would like to have the weddies. I would like to have a green machine.

Love
Raymond Lee Craighead

Dear Santa,
I have been good Santa. I want the Bionic woman Santa. Give my brother some toys wood you. I love you Santa. I will leave some cookies out for you Santa by the Christmas tree. Wood you eat them Santa? I want happy Birthday tender love.

Love
D'Lynn Pharris

Dear Santa,
I want to ask you something
Is it o.k. if I come and see you on Christmas nigte? I would like to have a mask-a-tron and a three wheeler and

a game Jaws. Trans portor and reparsitashon walkie-talkie that's all.

Love
Rockie seconed grabe

Dear Santa,
I want a baby that away and a baby a laef. You no Santa, is niste, is it o.k. if I will go and see.

Love
Mary Helen Flores

Dear Santa,
I want a Pay Day game, and a puppet called Snuffle-Upagus, and a swing set, a bakerset. My daddy would like a electric train and my sister would like to have a hush little baby and a picture of you.

Love
Natalie Abbott

Dear Santa,
I want a husky bike, and I want a swing and I want a train. I have to go.

Love
Danny Ray Stoker

Dear Santa,
I am good. I would like to have a bike. And I would like to have a truck. I would like a train set.

Love
Danny Anthony Salasar

And bring my brother somting. I am in the second grade.

Dear Santa,
I have been good Santa. Come to my house. I love you Santa, becos you love all of us. Santa all of us love you. You are a nice person. and you bring me the TV. magic. and the evil kinvel Santa.

Love
Bruce Gonzales

Dear Santa,
I would like a doll for Christmas and my sister Denise would like a doll too. My other syster wants a barbie. I am in the second grade.

Love
Lisa Kay Harvey

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a baby doll. And I would like to have a barby. And I would like to have a stroaler. And I would like to have some baby doll clothes.

Love
Lisa Turner

Dear Santa,
I wood like to have a minny bike, and a mebbem ten speed, and a GI Joe, and train, and a play C.B. and a new lighter.

Love
Love Santa from Rudolph Franco

Dear Santa,
I would like to have baby baby. And I would like a

Holly Hobbie. And I would like some webbles. And I would like a chess set. And will you bring my sister a baby sezso please?

Love
Holly Hicklin, 2nd Grade

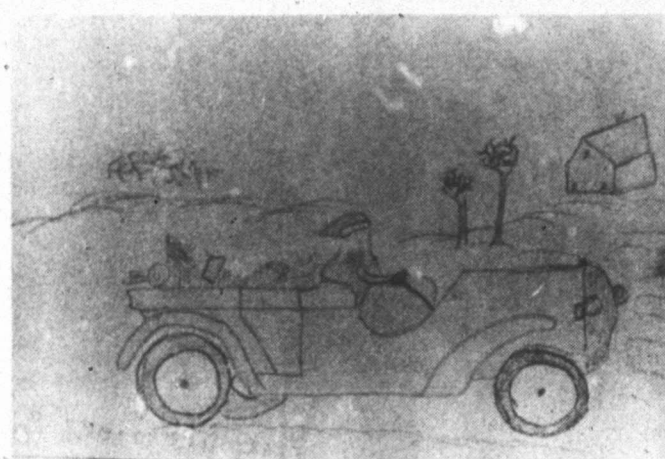
Dear Santa,
I want a doll that cries for Christmas Please Santa Claus and a books to read.

Love
Natalia Gonzales

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a GI Joe. And a fire truck and thing my little brothers would like a cb radio and other brother would like a big Jim and a football. Merry Christmas Santa.

Love
Paul Arellano

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a baby sezso, and my little brother would like to have a toy. and my little sister would like to



IF YOU HAVE BEEN wondering how Santa Claus gets around, you might be surprised to learn that there are a few people, like the artist who drew the picture above, who seem to believe that Santa will choose a mode of transportation more "down to earth" this Christmas.

have a doll, and I been good. and my sister been good to, and so is my brother be good.

Love
Sally Mendoza

Good Tidings

We hope that all of our patrons will have a Christmas filled with hope and love. It is our pleasure to do business with you.

Glenda Stinson
Ruby Jackson
Janis McDowell
Jon Shaw

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Greetings

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

May the sounds of Christmas... happy children's voices, ringing bells, singing and crackling fires be joyful to your heart. We have enjoyed working with you and we hope that you will visit us again soon.

Closed Christmas Day

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

Santa is on his way to fill your home with the joys of the Christmas season. May this be a special time for you to remember and enjoy as we have enjoyed your patronage.

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CHRISTMAS T week and the made ornament Christi Dillard (their decoration in Mrs. Wittie's

Dear Santa C How are yo Pole. I want a pants, sh fishes, jump a baton. We are goin 22, 1976. Plea the chimney. I have to go room.

Dear Santa C How are yo Baby Alive, sk purse, perfum star. You are g very very Mer

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Fill'er up for the holid anytime and you the best

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395 E. 2nd

Best Wishes



CHRISTMAS TREES WENT UP all over Kelley last week and the students covered them with hand-made ornaments, including lanterns, doves, and bells. Christi Dillard (front) and Andra McKinney (back) place their decorations on the tree proudly. They are students in Mrs. Wittie's 1st grade class.



Dear Santa:

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? Have you had much snow at the North Pole. I want a Baby That Away, teddy bear, a pet, shirts, and pants, shoes, socks, ring, record-player, a set of dishes, jump rope, Baby Alive, some books and colors and a baton.

We are going to have a Christmas party on December 22, 1976. Please come to the first grade room. Get in by the chimney.

I have to go now because they are waiting for me in the room.

Yours truly,
Cheryl Alvarez

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I am fine. Would you please bring me a Baby Alive, skates, diamond ring, necklace, billfold, little purse, perfume, candy, bracelet, heart shirt, and a big star. You are going to get in through the window. Have a very very Merry Christmas!

Yours truly,
Gini Harmon

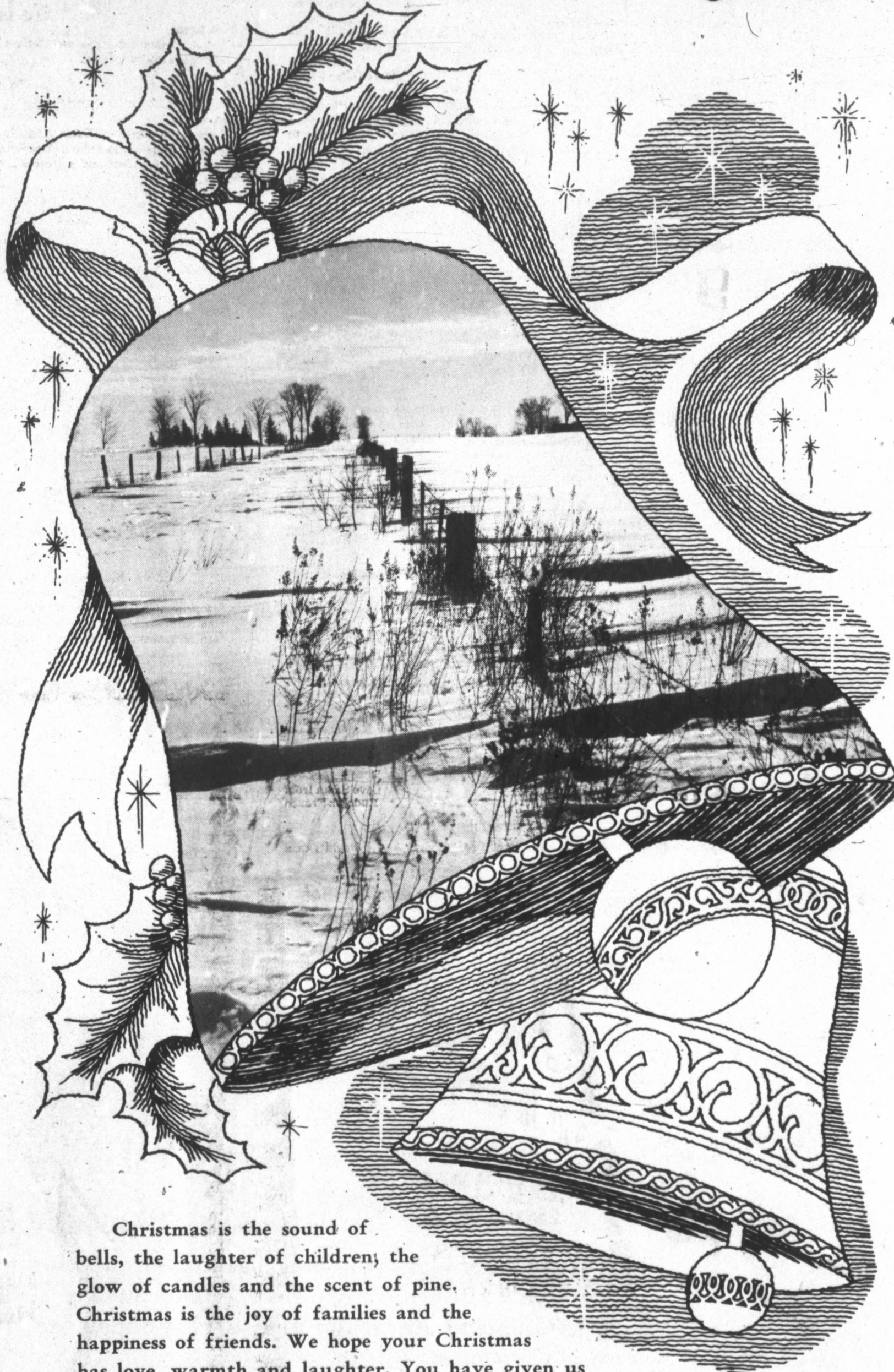


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Christmas is the sound of bells, the laughter of children, the glow of candles and the scent of pine. Christmas is the joy of families and the happiness of friends. We hope your Christmas has love, warmth and laughter. You have given us a wonderful Christmas throughout the year with your continuing patronage.

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Mark Brooks
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Doris Hines
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Kathy Moore
Steve Moore

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This is the message of the holiday season now and for always to everyone everywhere. It is our hope that people can learn to live together in harmony, enjoying life to the fullest this holiday season and forever.

Season's Greetings From The Courthouse Staff

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County Judge

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Have A Happy and Safe Holiday



We would like to wish our patrons a Blessed Christmas holiday. Please come in and see us soon. We enjoy serving you.

Jane Bolin
Mammie Allen
Patsy Abbott
Carolyn Newman

Jane's Beauty Salon

321 E. 12th

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MRS. A. G. ANDERSON of Westbrook is standing beside the Christmas tree she decorated with handmade ornaments made from heirloom jewelry as well as family memories. Objects used included a tiny hat used by the Andersons' first grandchild in a dance, pink satin from a niece's bridesmaid dress, and tiny beads and gold and silver rings. Each ornament is unique and Mrs. Anderson spent almost 2 years making them.

Hendersons Honored With Golden Anniversary Celebration In Loraine Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Evert Henderson were honored with a reception Sunday, Dec. 19 from 2 to 4 p.m. at their home in Loraine a compliment on their 50th wedding anniversary.

Their children, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Chalker of Colorado City and Mr. and Mrs. Troy Moore of Andrews and their grandchildren hosted the party.

Others in the house party included nieces of the couple and friends.

The serving table was covered with a cloth of gold embossed satin and net which was designed and fashioned by their daughter, Janell. Napkins were inscribed with the couple's names and dates and a message to guests.

A floral arrangement of gold mums and greenery centered the table. The traditional wedding cake was three tiered, decorated with yellow roses.

It was topped with white love birds circled with white hearts and a gold 50 circled in gold. The gold punch was served from a crystal punch bowl, and was served with

the cake, nuts and mints. Appointments were crystal.

The registry table was covered with a floor length gold cloth and held a floral arrangement in a gold vase. The registry book was a gift from their children.

Among the 95 callers who were registered were friends and relatives from Loraine, Colorado City, Stanton, Andrews, Roscoe, Snyder, Lubbock, Morton, Plainview, Corpus Christi, Plains and Abilene.

Special guests were brothers and sisters of the couple. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Teaff, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Trice and Mrs. Madge Derbyberry of Snyder, Mr. and

Mrs. Clifton Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. James Bennett and

Mrs. Vada Preston of Loraine.

School Board Meets

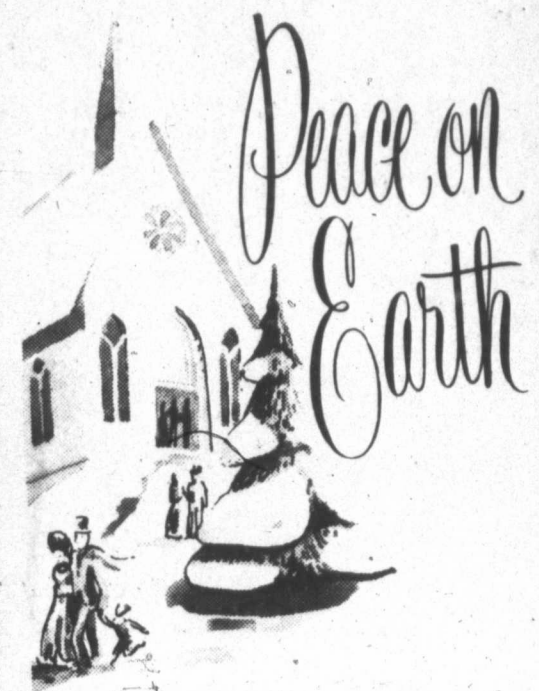
The Loraine Independent School Board met in regular meeting Monday night, Dec. 13.

The Board refused the information received in its appointment with the governors office of Education Resources in Austin on Nov. 30.

The Board discussed graduation requirements for seniors who have transferred into the Loraine District and also discussed and adopted into policy band and P.E. requirements, and discussed Drivers Education program. This item was tabled until the next meeting.

They discussed and approved the sale of a Ford pickup and also said the schools had received approval on non-food assistance for new cafeteria equipment.

Other routine items were discussed, after which the meeting was adjourned.



We're wishing you a wonderful holiday season loaded with sincere thanks for your patronage.

Joe, Brenda & Kara Kirschbaum

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The Spirit Of Christmas



Rev. Glenn Roenfeldt

Pastor

First Baptist Church

Christmas is a beautiful season of the year. Thoughts about God's "unspeakable gift" abound. The spirit of love and giving, often foreign to the natural bent of man, comes into focus. Persons of our disposition often become cheerful and generous. Warmth and friendship are the hallmarks of the holidays. In short, some of the attributes of the Christ God sent to earth begin to be emulated by many.

Several years ago this writer came across a list of suggestions written by Williams S. Deal that can bring great joy and blessing to those who practice them as well as to those who are the recipients of the actions. They are shared here to brighten your Christmas.

1. Seek out a forgotten friend
 2. Help to mend a quarrel
 3. Dismiss some suspicion you have had about someone and replace it with trust
 4. Encourage some young person
 5. Give a soft answer to someone who is harsh to you
 6. Write someone a letter
 7. Share some treasure with someone else
 8. Keep a promise that you have made to someone
 9. Forgive an enemy and let him know you have
 10. Take time out to do something you really need to do but have postponed
 11. Listen to someone's story of sorrow, trouble or distress
 12. Apologize when you have been in the wrong
 13. Express your gratitude
 14. Think first of others: be kind, be gentle, be understanding and thoughtful
 15. Go to church and worship devoutly
 16. Try to make some stranger happy
 17. Let your love show
 18. Sing, sing, sing
 19. Examine your demands of others
 20. Do something which you know you should, but is extra hard to do
- May you know the joy of the incarnate, redemptive, risen and returning Christ during this holiday and through the coming year! Merry Christmas!

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First Baptist Church

Christmas Plans

Mrs. Jo Ann Hammond and her daughter Tracie, will be in Midland for the holidays to visit with her other daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Wagenfuhr and granddaughter Tamra.

Mrs. Margaret Oyler will be with her son Wilford Oyler and family on Christmas Day and also will share the holidays with her daughter Mrs. William Conway Jr. and family in Westbrook.

Mrs. Edith Taylor plans to spend Christmas at home with her family.

Mrs. Verna Mae DeVorce will be with her family at home Christmas Day.

Mrs. Lottie Dawson will also be at home Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Goodlett, Patty and Charlotte, will spend Christmas Day with Mrs. W. S. Goodlett in Dunn, and Christmas Eve with Mrs. W. C. Oakes.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Pickens will be traveling to Arlington to spend Christmas with Steve and Rusty Pickens and their families.

BEST WISHES

We have enjoyed serving you during 1976 and we hope to be able to do business with you again in 1977. Have the warmest holiday possible with lots of fun and laughter.



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MRS. SELLIER'S 3rd grade class made Christmas Trees for a Christmas project. The step-by-step process was outlined in the photos at right. Top photo shows the concentration needed for the work and demonstrating the art are these students (from front:) Freddie Arocha, Mary Lou Martinez, Tina Tammen and Ricky Salazar. Single pictures show various stages of the trees down to the final attaching of the tiny decorations. The students are from top to bottom (left column:) Yolanda Lee, Donna Hill, Tony Evans and (right column:) Harold Kling and Carmen Reyes.



We toast all of our friends and patrons this holiday season wishing them the best for years to come.

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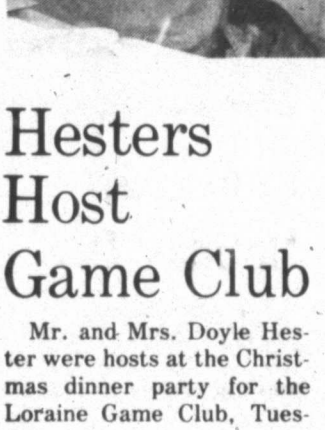
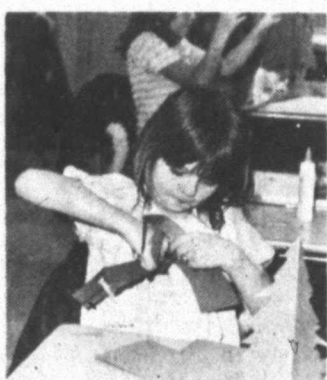
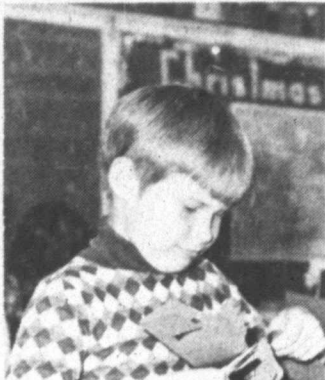


MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

Wishing you a star-bright, love-warm holiday season. We hope that you will continue to honor us with your patronage.

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Girls Visit Lodge

Mrs. Floyd Rice and Mrs. Donald Burnett and the group of Girls in Action from the First Baptist Church visited patients in Claxton Lodge Wednesday, Dec. 15 for a mission project.

They presented hand-made Christmas cards and goodies to be given to the residents.

Mrs. Jewel Smith and Mrs. A. C. Moody, residents of the lodge, have agreed to be the group "grannies" to be visited and honored on special occasions.

Hesters Host Game Club

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Hester were hosts at the Christmas dinner party for the Loraine Game Club, Tuesday night.

The home was decorated with festive decor in keeping with the season. The dinner consisted of baked turkey, ham, and trimmings and was served buffet from four round tables laid with Christmas clothes and napkins and centered with lighted candles. W. A. Taylor gave the Invocation.

After the meal games of 42 were played and gifts exchanged from the tree.

Those enjoying the evening were Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Johnson, Messrs. and Mmes. Jack Linam, Wiley Walker, J. M. Templeton, Floyd Coffee, Floyd Griffin, W. A. Taylor, Mrs. K. L. Taylor, Mrs. Roy Baird and the hosts.



A very happy holiday season to all of our wonderful guests. We look forward to seeing you again, soon.

The Villa Motel

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JOY Class Meets For Party

The home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. (Fenest) Whitesides was the scene of the annual Christmas party for members of the JOY (Jesus, Others, and You) Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church of Westbrook.

The Christmas theme was carried out in decorations with a festive lighted tree with tinsel and bells on the chandelier and throughout the house.

Rev. Bob Manning presented the devotional from Luke 2 and read the poem *Ready for Christmas*. Mrs. Emory Sweatt and Mrs. W. A. Bell sang *Silver Bells* accompanied by Mrs. C. E. Ranne at the piano.

The group joined in singing Christmas carols led by Mrs. Bell. Gifts were exchanged and appreciation gifts were presented to the teachers, Mrs. Rex McKenney and Mrs. Bell and to the pianist Mrs. Ranne and organist Mrs. Whitesides from the class.

Each class member received a gift from Mrs. McKenney. A supper of sandwiches, dip and chips, salads, cake, pie, hot punch and tea were served.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. McKenney, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Choppie Rees, Mr. and Mrs. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Sweatt, Mr. and Mrs. Ranne, Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Conaway, Rev. and Mrs. Manning, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Barber, J.-K. Williamson, Mrs. Bessie Shaw, and Mrs. Altis Clemmer.



STUDENTS IN MRS. HALL'S English Class portrayed the medieval European characters in Chaucer's Canterbury Tales during their annual walk downtown Monday. The group ate at Penny Lane at noon and walked back to the school, partially carrying a protesting Mrs. Hall the rest of the way.



O HOLY NIGHT

May the Holy Family bless your home with peace and harmony. Thank you so much for your patronage during the past years.

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Thank you is the best expression we know to show our appreciation for your friendship and loyalty. Merry, Merry Christmas!



During this holiday season and the ending of another year we want to pause and say a happy holiday to each and everyone, especially to the farming communities of Mitchell County.

As each one pauses for a few moments from their busy daily life, let us stop and remember how it was made possible and the many blessings each one has received. As each one looks back, we have been blessed many ways, also we have had our downfalls, but when this happens, we have put our forces together and worked at it a little harder, to overcome the challenges that block our way of life.

We people as Americans have been down before, but as our forefathers did for us, we must also do for the generations ahead. Never before has there been a more bountiful crop of anything than there is in our country today, each one has been blessed with more than our share of the finer things and ways of living.

Things that many feel we cannot do without but things that are not a necessity and that we can survive without.

As we are faced with the energy crisis of today our forefathers were faced with problems of yesterday. United together, the people of America can and will make this a better place for tomorrow.

May God bless each and everyone during this holiday season.

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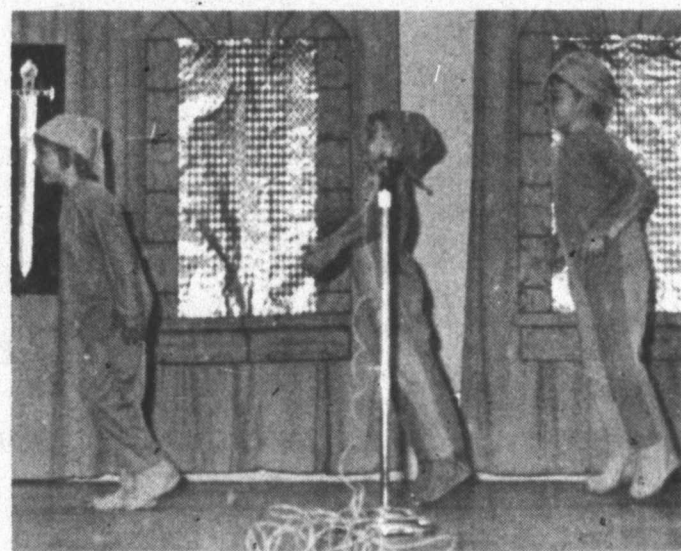


SEASON'S CHEER

As Christmas lights the world, we hope your holidays will be happy and filled with joy and contentment. Thanks to you all.

Murrell & Jan Blassingame

Happy Holidays Happy Holidays Happy Holidays



STUDENTS OF Westbrook Elementary School presented the Christmas play "Little Blue Angel." The surrounding photos are scenes of that play during dress rehearsal before the Thursday evening presentation. Top right photo views the snowmen as they sing and dance a comical number for the princess and Billy. The photo, top left, are the icicles in their annual Christmas appearance for the princess. Two of the main characters were Billy, played by Steve Morris, 8th grader at WHS and the princess, played by Lynn Dawson. They are pictured at left (second from top). Shanna Byrd, pictured to left of Billy and the princess, portrayed the Little Blue Angel with the final song of the play. The Jesters hopped off stage in the bottom left photo after an inspiring song and dance. Max Zant, bottom right, was the sleepy, yawning king.

Season's Greetings

How nice it is to be able to thank all of our wonderful customers and wish them a happy holiday season!

Nobles Dirt Contractors
Bob & Bobby Nobles

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Holiday Greetings



We hope that Santa Claus is as good to you as you have been to us. We would like to thank you for your patronage and wish you a very Merry Christmas!

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Elliotts Host Poetry Society Yule Party

The L. B. Elliotts hosted the annual Christmas party for the local chapter of the Poetry Society of Texas Friday, Dec. 19, in their home.

A salad supper was served, followed by a business meeting and program of poems, read by members of the club. The 1977 yearbooks were also distributed.

Mrs. Evelyn Helm, who had received several recent prizes for her poems, read *Beyond All Law*, a Christmas poem; *My Birthday* and *Today*.

Mrs. Ina Fargason read the Christmas poem *The Glorious Light*, followed by two poems written and read by Mrs. Garnet Quiett, *East Of Bethlehem* and *In Such A Lowly Place*.

Mrs. Elizabeth Gary read from Rev. Weems Dykes's recent book *Christmas Is So Near*.

Mrs. Elliott read her recent poem *Mary, the Mother of Jesus* published in the First United Methodist Church's bulletin last Sunday.

Mrs. Ruth Morgan read Longfellow's *I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day*.

A guest, Hoyt Roberts of Westbrook played several Christmas carols and other requested songs on his violin for the club members.

Present were: Joe Earnest, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Fargason, Mrs. C. P. Gary, Mrs. Gerald Gordon, Mrs. Evelyn Helm, Hoyt Roberts, Mrs. Houston Quiett, Mrs. Ruth Morgan and Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Elliott.

At the next meeting on Jan. 27, a book review will be given by Joe Earnest.

Club Has Holiday Party

The home of Mrs. Midge Crabtree was the scene of the Dec. 16 meeting of the Maranatha Study Club and Christmas Party.

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. with prayer led by Mrs. Dona Reed. Pledge to the flag was led by Mrs. Crabtree.

Mrs. Fox read a thank you note from the Big Spring State Hospital for the Christmas donation. Mrs. Reed then gave the treasurer's report. She had made a pantsuit for the Christmas child and it was approved for her to buy a blouse or scarf to go with it.

During the business session, it was decided to give \$5 each month to the Woodland School.

The program was presented by Mrs. Dona Reed, who told the story of the Three Wise Men, the wives of the three wise men who visited the Christ Child.



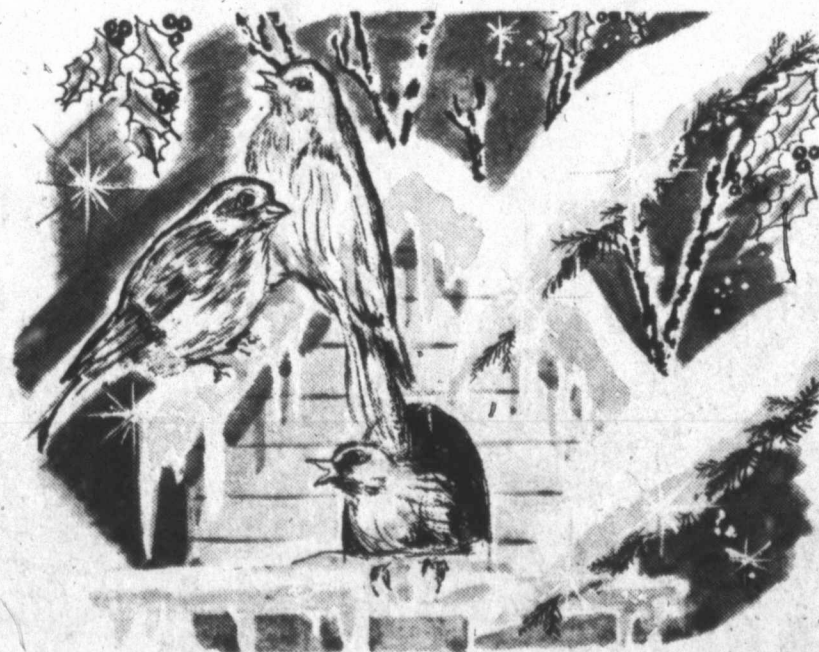
We love to have you as our customers and we hope that you will enjoy a happy Christmas season. We look forward to seeing you in the near future.

T.J. Green Grocery

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HOLIDAY GREETINGS



A holiday wish to all of our patrons: We hope that the blessings of the season abide with you and yours. Have a happy Christmas.

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Wishing all of our friends and patrons a glorious Christmas. We want to thank you for your support and we look forward to doing business with you again.

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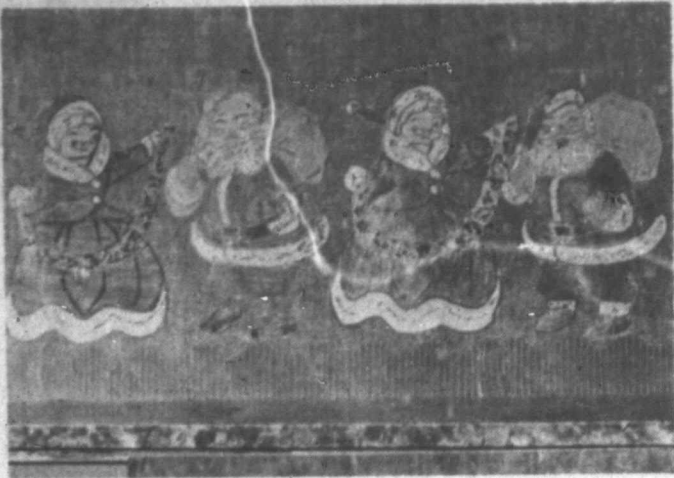
Greetings



Christmas is a merry time of year and we hope that yours will be filled with happiness.

Elmer & Billie Martin
State Representative, District 61

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Holiday Greetings

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to all friends & relatives—we are behind & too busy, so we are taking the fast and easy way.

Tom & Alma Grant

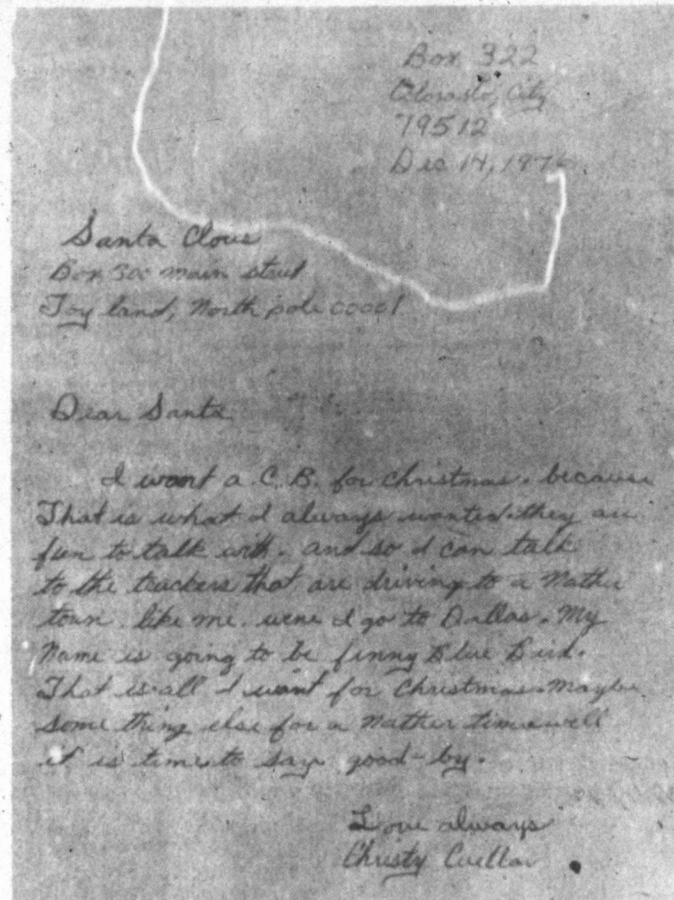
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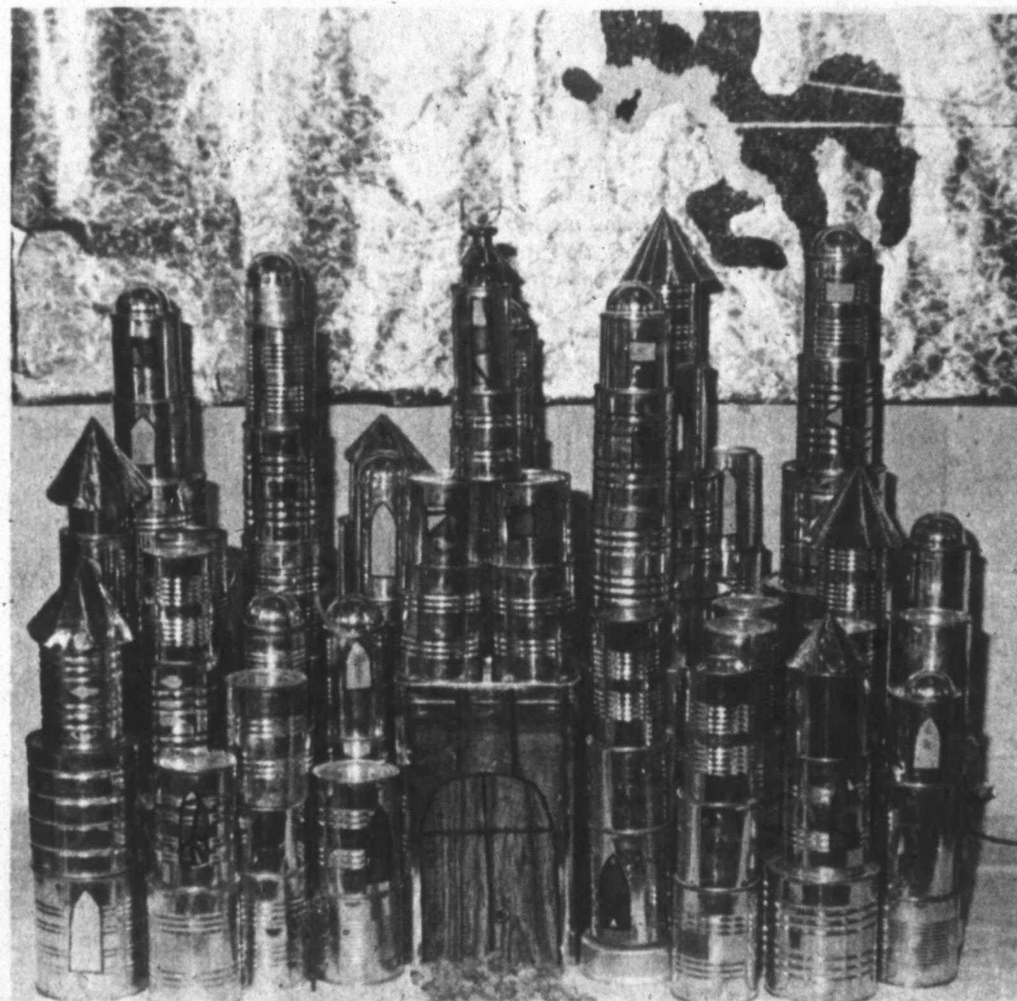
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CLASSROOMS AT LORAIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL reflected what everyone's mind is on these days. Pictures of Santas, Christmas trees, candles, toys, gifts, and reindeer pulling heavily laden sleighs, decorated the walls, bulletin boards and even sometimes the ceiling of the rooms. One especially unusual project was in the 1st grade classroom, taught by Nancy Newton. Made of tin cans, this castle was lighted up with Christmas lights, and each of the students had a hand in making it. The castle is pictured below.



Reily In Philippines For Christmas

Bill Reily, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Reily, is spending the Christmas holidays with his brother Pat, in the Republic of the Philippines.

Pat Reily is a Range Management Advisor for the Bureau of Animal Industry, a division of the Philippine Agricultural Bureau.

He has been living in Milagros, a remote area of the Visayan island, Masbate. However, a recent typhoon destroyed his home and possessions when it inflicted extensive damage to the island.

The brothers met in Manila, Dec. 15. They plan first to visit Pagsoajan Falls, Laguna before going to Tagaytay and Batangas to view Lake Taal where the Volcano Taal is presently erupting.

They will make an inter-island cruise to Cebu, Davao, Bohol, Samar, and Zamboanga, Mindanao.

Shark and stingray fishing trips are planned. Bill will visit Mayon Volcano in Legaspi and the

Baguio-Banawe rice terraces before returning home in January.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

To all our friends & relatives & especially the Monday Morning Art Class. Just too busy & broke to send out cards but Wish Everyone Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year.

Bill & Marie Jackson

Holiday Greetings

Candles glow, lighting the season with fond thoughts and our deep thanks!



Liz Alvarez
Janie Greenlee
Mary Rowe

Mary's Beauty Nook

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Lions Party

The Loraine Lions hosted their annual Christmas banquet and party at the Lions Building Thursday night. Charles Reece of Sweetwater was after dinner speaker.

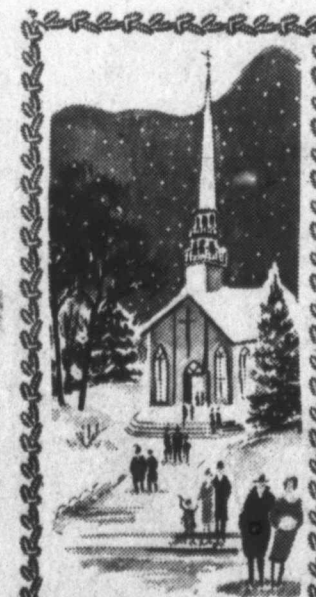
The building was decorated with holiday decor. Long tables held holiday centerpieces, greenery and candles. The meal consisted of baked turkey, ham and trimmings.

A. Baumann, president of the Lions gave the welcome and Glen Coon, program chairman, introduced the speaker.

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,
My sister and I have been pretty good all year long. Please bring me a cassette. And my sister would like a baby doll and a jewelry box with some snap-on earrings. We will leave you some milk.

Love,
Doug Chitsey age 9
Amy Chitsey age 4



JOY AND PEACE
be with all of our customers and friends.

R.S. & Eva
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Holiday Cheer



Thanks so much for your support and patronage. We hope to continue serving you in the future. The best wishes of the season to all of our friends.

Colorado Drug

102 E. 2nd

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Season's Greetings

A warm and friendly wish of holiday cheer to our wonderful friends. Thanks so much for your time and patronage.

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Hear Ye!



A Cheery Christmas greeting to all of our wonderful friends. We hope to see you again, soon! Have a wonderful Holiday season.

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To Mr. Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
Bring me a Baby Alive and a Baby that-a-way and a

hippie girl and a typewriter and a ballet girl.
Love,
Eva Franco 3rd grade

Dear Santa,
I want a b-b gun. I want a truck too.
Love,
Michael Molina 3rd grade

Dear Santa,
I love you. How are you? I want match box car. and I want a big police car. We want to see you.
Love,
Harold Kling 3rd grade

Dear Santa,
I want a bike. and how are you? I am fine. and I want a toktay krane. How are you at the North Pole? And I want an air hockey.
Love,
Stacy Grimes 3rd grade

Dear Santa,
I want a truck for Christmas and six million dollar man too an evil Kneivl and a bike too and how are you?
Love,
Billy Upshaw 3rd grade

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, I want a bike, I want a Baby that-a-way, I want a dog, I want a cat.
Love,
Estella Gonzales 3rd grade

Dear Santa,
I want a big doll, Dear Santa is it cold? How are you? How is the snow? Is the snow very cold?
Love,
Michelle Garcia 3rd grade

Dear Santa,
I want a truck for Christmas and six million dollar man too an evil Kneivl and a bike too and how are you?
Love,
Billy Upshaw 3rd grade

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, I want a bike, I want a toy too. How are you doing? Are you doing good?
Love,
Lorie Dominguez 3rd grade

Dear Santa,
I want a football for Christmas, Santa, how are you doing, Dear Santa? Are you doing fine, Santa? I love you, Santa. Are you coming over to our house?
Love,
Jerry Salazar 3rd grade

Dear Santa,
Santa how are you doing? Is it cold in the north pole? Are you coming to Colorado City? I want a bicycle for Christmas. And come to my home. I have been good at school. And at home too. I want a C.B.
Love,
Johnny Rivera Hernandez 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I want a bike. I want a ball. I love you. We have a Christmas tree. I want a watch.
Love,
Cindy Aguilar 3rd grade

Dear Santa,
I want a ball, and I want a bike and I want a cowboy hat and I want a good ring and I want a flag. I live in Colorado City and I love Santa Claus.
Love,
Kent Ruth 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I want a C.B. for Christmas. Are you coming to Colorado City? We got a Colorado City. I live in Colorado City. I want a watch for Christmas. I want a bike for Christmas. I love you Santa.
Love,
Frank Salazar 4th grade

Dear Santa,
How are you? Are you coming to Colorado City? We have a Christmas tree. I want cars. Are you coming to my home? I was good. We have a party in school Tuesday. I want a bike.
Love,
Jimmy Sanchez 4th grade

Dear Santa,
How are you? Are you coming to town? We have a Christmas tree. Is it cold in the north pole? I want a horse. Can you come to town?
Love,
Oscar Hernandez 4th grade

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a 10-speed bike, Hush Li'l Baby, and

a red robe. And remember all the other little boys and girls.
Love, Jana Scott (7 years)

P.S. Oh, and please remember my little poodle.
Dear Santa,
I love you a lot. I hope that you will bring me a Thunderoad bike and some walkie talkies.
By the way, how are the reindeer doing? I will leave you a snack on my kitchen table and also a little gift I have made for you.
Love,
Blake Bennett

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 4 years old. I want a Hush-a-bye baby and dol' clothes. Also a little grocery cart and a record player.
I will leave some cookies and milk out for you. Tell Mrs. Claus and Roudolph "hello" for me. I love you Santa.
April Walls

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and a B.B. gun. And I have been a good boy. And we have a Christmas tree. And a Merry Christmas to you.
Love,
Larry Martinez, 4th grade

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good boy this year. I would like something for my grandmother and granfather and especially something for my mother and David. I would also like something for myself and my father who is in the army and is stationed in Germany. Sgt Mike Rodriguez. For my father I would like a camera for my mother I'd like a dress and for my grandmother and father I would like some clothes for myself I would like a mini-bike spaceship 1999, strechs arm strong and a Evil Kneivl I will leave the front door open and I will leave some milk and cookies on the table.
Your friend,
Tony Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
I am a good boy. I'm 7 years old. I want a medium tenspeed. Play C.B. Snoopy Bubble, mini-bike, monapole game, BB gun with a scope, wrist watch record player, fishign pole and evel kenevel.
I love you Santa
From Rudolph Franco

Dear Santa,
I want a bike for Christmas and a doll for Christmas and we have been good to day and we have a Christmas tree and we have a Christmas play to day. Good to day and bring my pee wee and bring my family a present.
Love Santa
Treva Russell 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I want you to pass by my house and bring me clothes and a bike to ride all day on it.
Signed Freddy Arocha

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa how are you? I want a six million dollar man and a car.
Ricardo Pineda

Dear Santa,
Bring me a baby alive, and a baby that-a-way, and a hush little baby, and a ballet girl, and a donte erie baby, and a baby tender love and a piano.
Eva Franco

Clemmers To Have Holiday Guests

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Clemmer will be Mr. and Mrs. Phil Anderson, Chris and Shane of Tyler, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Anderson of Angie of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Anderson and son Chance; Mrs. G. L. Anderson and Junior Anderson of Colorado City.

Dear Santa,
I want a football game. Thats all Santa.
Love, Robert Bradbury

PEACE

PEACE ON EARTH. GOOD-
WILL TOWARDS MEN.
THAT IS THE MESSAGE OF
CHRISTMAS THAT WE
WOULD LIKE TO EX-
TEND TO ALL OF
OUR WONDERFUL
PATRONS.

Farm Bureau Insurance

J. D. Hill, Jr. Jerry Putman
Lou Landeros
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Christmas Joy



We would like to offer all of our wonderful patrons the gifts of peace and love for the Christmas season and always. We have enjoyed doing business with you and hope to continue to do so.

Grady & Molly Morris

Morris
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& Colorado Steam Laundry

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Best Wishes

For a Holiday Season full of happiness for you and your family.

Security Corner
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Best Wishes



We would like to proclaim the merriest of holidays to each and every one of our fine patrons.

Hale's Westbrook Grocery
Westbrook 644-2351



Have a beautiful Christmas. We are grateful for your patronage and we hope that you continue to visit us.

Planters
Gin

Westbrook 644-3311



We are singing with joy this holiday season as we extend our best wishes to all of our friends for a happy Christmas.

Scott Fuel Inc.
And Employees

Loraine & Sweetwater 737-2712

Dear Santa,
Santrea I hope you can have a good Christmas.
I love you because I want a matchbox policecar and I want a big policecar. You bring sum candy too and I want a nerf airpla.

Yours truly
Harold Kling

Dear Santa,
I have been a pretty good boy this year and would like a gun, pistol, hot wheels, Jaws game, guitar and army tank. I will be asleep so my mother will have to let you in. Thank You.

Kevin Lamb age 4

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a baby doll and buggy, dishes and also a gun so I can shoot with my brother. I have been good and hope you will come to our house. Thank you.

Krista Lamb age 2

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie Fashion Plaza, Tuesday Taylor, Skateboard.

Love,
Stacey Clemmer

Jolly Ol' St. Nicholas

*Lean Your Ear
This Way!*



Dear Santa,
My name is Mary Chris and my mother is writing this letter for me because I am 3 years old and I can't write. Dear Santa, I have been a good girl so I would like for you to bring me a Hush Lil Baby. Also please bring me the Sunshine Family. And also some clothes for my doll. Also a cowboy hat and some boots. I wear a size 7 1/2 boot. I will leave you some milk and cookies when you come see me. Be good to my big sister and bring her some toys too.

Mary Chris Rosas

Dear Santa,
My name is Patti Ann Rosas and I am in the 2nd grade and am seven years old. I have been a good girl most of the time. I want the Sweetheart dolls and their bench and wishing well. And some cowboy boots. I am writing this letter. This should be all.

Patti Ann Rosas

P.S. Be good to my little sister and bring her some toys too. I will leave you some eggnog and cookies. Dear Santa, I hope you come at Christmas. I hope you will bring me chickens for Christmas. And bring my sister a doll. And for my little brother a car, football, and for my two big brothers a jar and bottle cutter. And for my mother cologne.

Your friend
Adam Alvarez

Dear Santa,
We have two Christmas trees. Under the little Christmas tree we have our presents. We gave my daddy a puppy for Christmas. The puppy was a little ahead for Christmas. But she is just as fun to play with.

Yours truly
Shannon Perkin

Dear Santa,
Hi! How are you hope you are fine I am going to get to open my presents on the 24th and then I am going to my daddys the 25th. Well I am going to get a taperecorder and some pompons and a fonsy doll and some other good things. Oh and I want a pear of red and white shoes and I hope I get some. I only have two presents under my tree. Have a Merry Christmas Santa.

Yours truly
Cheryl Bentley

Dear Santa,
I want a new coat and I want a doll two. And a tiffany taylor. and I want a clue game two. and I want a new pear of pajamas. and also I want some make up. and some jewelry. And have a Happy Christmas Day.

Love
Tina Tammen

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa how are you? I am fine. Soon it will be Christmas. I hope I was good. Please, I would like 5 hotwheels a monopoly, Chickens, a Nerf football. My sister would like a Hush Little baby. And a buggy. My Mother knows what my brother wants. See you.

Your friend
Tony Evans

Dear Santa,
Santa I will put some cookies on the table. And for Christmas I want a baby thumblina and a Honey Hill Clubhouse and a jewelry box and a nerf airplane and to have a merry Christmas. And I wish you would bring my baby cousin a teething ring please!

Love Kelly Bearden

Dear Santa,
I want one curling iron and some jump suits a green, blue, red, and a purse and some makeup and lip stick and a ring. And a monopoly game and a baby that away and a jaws game.

Love
Marie Bloom

Dear Santa,
I hope this Christmas you will bring me a bike and my sister wants a doll too, but mother wants a necklace and my brother wants a pocket knife and dad wants cologne and I guess that is all.

Love your friend
Jody Jackson

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas. I love you Santa. I want a Jamie Summers doll and her beauty saloon and "Don't cry little baby."

Love
Andra Carpenter



**HAPPY
HOLIDAYS**

May the joys of
this festive season
be yours!

**LAZY DAY
DRIVE-INN**

Mr. & Mrs. A.A. Feaster
And All Employees

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of Joy**



A warm and
friendly wish of cheer
for Christmas to all our wonderful friends.

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Furniture & Accessories**

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NOEL



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

Greyhound

& Continental

Bus Station

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728-3617

**GLORY TO
GOD**



May all of the blessings of
the holiday season be with you this Christ-
mas. We look forward to a prosperous
future with your kind patronage.

Sportsman Club

Mr. & Mrs. H. A. Shawn

Lake Colorado City 728-5324

**Christmas
Get-Together
Held Sunday**

Mr. and Mrs. Harris Ham-
ilton were hosts for a pre-
Christmas dinner in their
festively decorated home
Sunday, for members of the
Hamilton family.

Those present were Mr.
and Mrs. Leland Hamilton
and Julie, Mr. and Mrs. Jim
Brown and Melissa and Va-
larie, all of Andrews; Mr.
and Mrs. Arlie Francis and
Charity of San Antonio; and
Tim Hamilton and friend Jan
Cutshall of Abilene.

Also Mark Francis of El
Paso; Ingrid Hamilton of Big
Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Lynn
Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs.
Charlie Hamilton of Loraine.
Calling in the afternoon
were Mr. and Mrs. Wright
Hock, Mrs. Susan Scott and
son Cody of Colorado City;
and Mrs. Ruth Hayes of
Abilene.

Holiday Plans

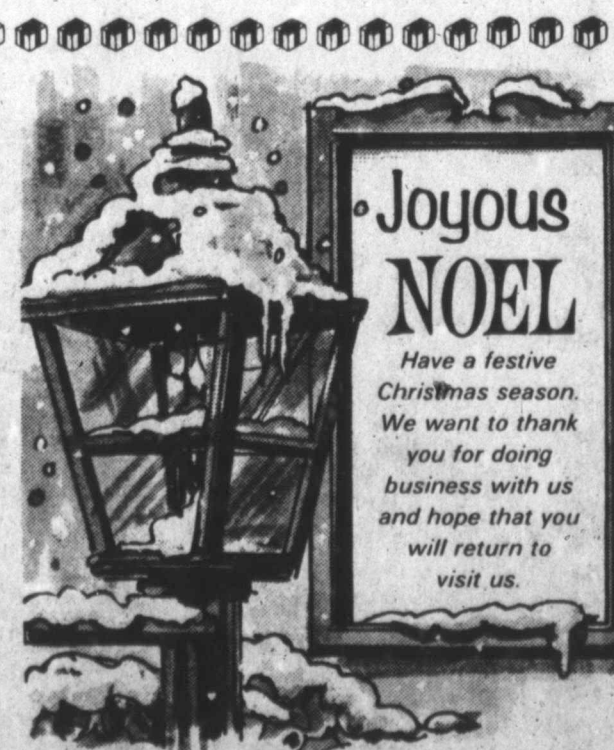
Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Clem-
mer, Stacey and Curtis
Wade will go to her
mother's, Mrs. Carl Bakers
in Christoval on Sunday,
Dec. 26 to join them for a
family get-together.



May the joy of
His Holy Birth
live within you.

Midge & Woody

**CRABTREE
ELECTRIC**

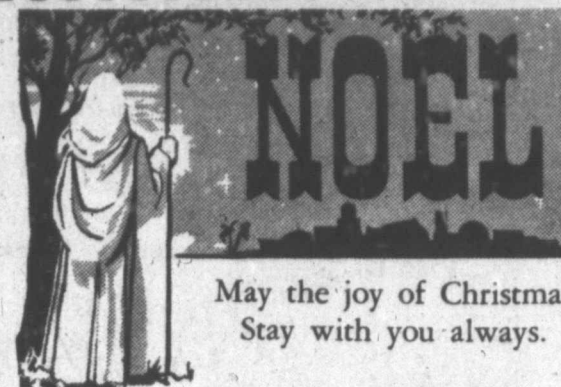


**Joyous
NOEL**

Have a festive
Christmas season.
We want to thank
you for doing
business with us
and hope that you
will return to
visit us.

**Colorado City
Manufacturing Co.**

136 E. 1st 728-3102



May the joy of Christmas
Stay with you always.

Ben Franklin

185 E. 2nd Variety Store 728-2292



*Merry
Christmas*

Our very best wishes for a warm,
happy holiday season.

Larry, Jeanna,
Catherine & Jason

WESTERN AUTO

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**JOY
TO ALL!**



Tidings of joy and best wishes to
everyone this Christmas season. We are
so happy to count you as one of our
many satisfied customers and we hope
that we can continue to serve you.

Maurine Myers - Owner
Bob Chalker
David Myers
Aaron Carpenter

Myers

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Dear Santa,

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll and dog for Christmas. My name is Karen Davidson. I'm 10 and in the 4th grade.

Love,
Karen Davidson



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Have a beautiful Christmas holiday. We hope that you will come back and see us again next year. We so enjoyed doing business with you.

Judy Winkle
Dora Davila
Honey Rayburn

Judy's Beauty Shop

1721 Vine 728-5171

Glad Tidings



We're making the most of the holiday spirit by wishing joy and love forever to all of our wonderful patrons.

Gene's

Radio & TV Service

1020 Hickory 728-5239

Happy Holidays



Warm wishes
for a Happy
Christmas Season.

Edward, Patsy,
April & Robin
Walls

Betsy Arispe
Esther Campos
Rene Hernandez
Jess Rios

**PALACE
THEATRE**

137 Walnut 728-2605



To Celebrate Anniversary ...Mr. and Mrs. Willis Cornutt

Richardsons Host Family Get-Together

Mr. and Mrs. Moody Richardson were host for her brothers and sisters and their families for a pre-holiday dinner and reunion Sunday, Dec. 19.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Blair, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Blair, Mr. and Mrs. Dual Blair, Loraine; Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Blair, Colorado City; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Glass, Slaton and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wilmon, Monahans.

Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Richardson and Brenda and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jay of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wilmon and two sons, Monahans; Mrs. David Rogers and children, San Angelo; and Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Blair and children, Colorado City.



THIS LIVELY BUNCH met in the Kelley Elementary School for their Christmas party last week. The Brownies were very excited about Christmas and conversation was breathless and tinged with the Christmas spirit. The girls are from left: (front row) Carlyn Clark, Kelly Beights, Sherry Gale, Sara Salazar, Mary Ann Baker, Christi Dillard, Becca Smith and Lori Heredia; (middle row) Lisa Turner, Mary Salazar, Chere Smith, Becky Westbrook, Andra McKinney, Kim McKinnon, Lisa Lara, and Chanda Tammen; (back row) Cindy Watkins, Holly Tarter, Donna Davila, Tera Miles and Daphne Fowler.

Cornutts To Celebrate 50 Years Of Marriage With Reception January 2

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Cornutt of Rt. 3, Colorado City, will be celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a reception from

Cantata Presented

Mike Mints, Choir director at the First Baptist Church, Loraine presented the choir in a Christmas cantata Sunday night at 6 o'clock.

After the program the Rev. and Mrs. Carl Clinton, pastor and wife hosted a reception in the church fellowship hall for the church members and guests.

The lace laid table held a Christmas centerpiece and refreshments of cake and punch were served.

A large group attended. Among them a former pastor and family, Chaplain and Mrs. Jimmy Roberts and Mary from Fort Hood.

2:30-4:30 p.m. January 2 in the home of their son, Billy Cornutt, south of Loraine.

Hostesses for the occasion will be children of the couple: Lee Roy Cornutt, Loraine; Mrs. Joe Glasgow, Albuquerque, N.M.; Mrs. Jimmie Merket, Roscoe; Bessie Cornutt, Fairfield; Billy Cornutt, Loraine; Mrs. Hank Pitman, Abilene; Mrs. Steve Belcher, Clyde; and Mrs. Larry Beights.

The Cornutts also have 17 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

Nee Era Mae Epperson Nov. 15, 1907 at Pike Co., Ark., Mrs. Cornutt met her husband in Clarksville in February of 1926. Mr. Cornutt was born April 19, 1907 in Clarksville.

The couple married nearly a year later on Jan. 1, 1927 and continued to live in Clarksville until 1932 when they moved to Mitchell County and then to Loraine in 1934.

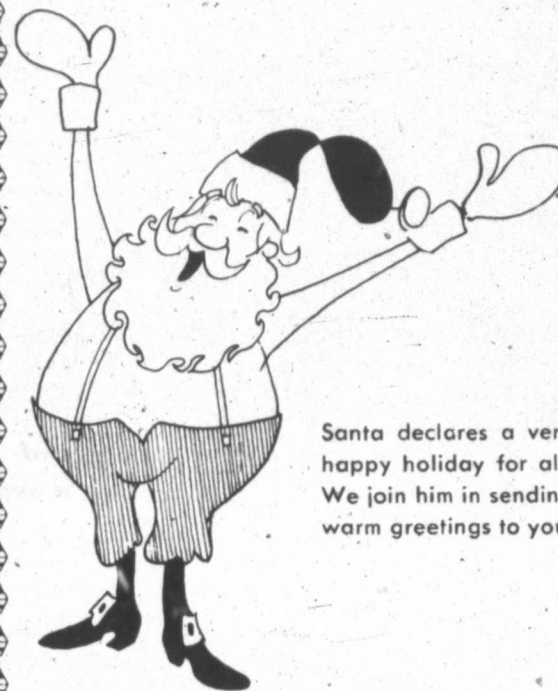
They moved to their present home in 1948. The Cornutts are members of the First Baptist Church of Loraine.

Cornutt farmed and raised

Black Angus registered cattle until his retirement in 1968.

Friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend this 50th Anniversary celebration.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Santa declares a very happy holiday for all! We join him in sending warm greetings to you.

Matlock Butane & Farm Supply

East I-20 728-3041



A bouquet of holiday greetings to all of our wonderful friends. We are happy to serve you anytime with the best in floral arrangements, bouquets and corsages.

Colorado Floral

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

THURSDAY

Noon-4 p.m. - Transportation will be provided by the Wallace Center for senior citizens to do shopping in town.

2 p.m. - Domino Party at Root Valley Fair Lodge.

6:30 p.m. - Weight Watchers will meet at the First Christian Church.

2:30 p.m. - Fairview Home Demonstration Club will meet in a member's home.

7 p.m. - Colorado City Chapter of the Poetry Society of Texas will meet.

7:30 p.m. - VFW & Auxiliary Post #9178 will meet.

7:30 p.m. - Social meeting for the B&PW in the Lone Wolf Medallion Room.

FRIDAY

Noon - Noon Lions Club will meet in the Civic Center.

7 p.m. - Domino Party at the Wallace Center.

7:30 p.m. - Loraine Nursing Home Singing.

7:30 p.m. - Woodland School Board of Directors meeting.

SATURDAY

Christmas Day.

MONDAY

8 a.m.-11 a.m. - Dr. Jack Gordon, Houston psychiatrist, will be in the Mitchell County Mental Health Clinic.

2:30 p.m. - Buford Home Demonstration Club will meet in a member's home.

TUESDAY

11:45 a.m. - First Methodist Fellowship Hall is the meeting place for the AARP.

Noon - Kiwanis Club will meet in the Civic Center.

1 p.m.-4 p.m. - Transportation will be provided by the Wallace Center for senior citizens to do grocery shopping in town.

2 p.m. - RSVP Bingo at Root Valley Fair Lodge.

3:30-5 p.m. - Well Baby Clinic in the Wallace Center.

7 p.m. - Extension Home Economic Study Group will meet at the Community Building on 5th and Oak Sts.

7 p.m. - B&PW meets in the Civic Center.

7 p.m. - Oak St. Baptist Church has singing at Root Valley Fair Lodge.

7:30 p.m. - Zeta Delta Study Club will meet.

WEDNESDAY

9 a.m.-4 p.m. - Transportation will be provided for senior citizens to keep doctor's appointments and medical trips to drug stores and the hospital.

10 a.m.-Noon - A representative of the Big Spring Social Security Office will be in the Chamber of Commerce Office to assist in any applications or questions.

Noon - Jaycees will meet in the Civic Center.

Noon - Circuit Riders have trip to Big Spring and will meet in the Mental Health Clinic.

3 p.m. - Loraine Nursing Home Birthday Party.



What fun it is to
share holiday cheer with all of
our wonderful friends & patrons.

**MONTGOMERY
WARD**

Billie Apperson
Catalog Sales Agent

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A sparkling holiday greeting to all of our wonderful customers. We thank you for doing business with us. We are here to serve you when you need the finest in dry cleaning.

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Cleaners**

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Bringing you the warmest wishes
for a wonderful holiday woven with the rich fabric
of love.

Marshall's Sewing Center

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THE HOMEMAKING CLASSES SHARED of their time, talents and love with the Loraine Nursing Home where they participated in the annual Christmas Party. A Puppet Show was presented at the party, cookies were furnished from the homemaking classes, then personal attention was given to the patients during the presentation of gifts and the serving of refreshments. Serving, in the right photo are from left: Elaine Lopez and Gay Jones. In the second photo, Marie Raney (left) and Elaine Lopez (right) present Maria, (center) one of the lodge's residents, with a gift.



Willing Workers Have Christmas Luncheon

The Willing Workers Sunday School Class of First United Methodist Church Loraine enjoyed a Christmas salad luncheon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Coffee Wed. Dec. 15. The meal was served from four-some tables.

The party rooms were decorated with holiday decorations.

After the meal the hostess read the Christmas Story "The Stubborn Unbeliever."

Mrs. C. H. Martin, president presided over the business session. The class voted to send five dollars to the Waco Orphans Home and

also to the San Antonio Home.

A gift was presented by the class to the teacher, Mrs. Lily Bennett, and the class voted to send a remembrance to a class member, Mrs. Leonard Reed who is ill.

Those enjoying the day were Mmes. Roy Wells, Malcolm Bruce, Wiley Walker, Worth Bruce, Lily Bennett, Jim Johnson, J. D. Norman, C. H. Martin, Frank Crownover, James Bennett, J. D. Givens, K. L. Taylor, W. A. Bennett and the hostess.

B&PW Has Dinner Meeting At Civic Center

The Colorado City B&PW Club held their monthly dinner meeting Tuesday, Dec. 14 in the Civic Center.

The Good Cheer committee was in charge of the meeting with Barbara as chairman.

The program for the evening was presented by Rochelle Smith, a narration of a Christmas story.

Club members exchanged gifts after the program. Gifts were also brought by members to be given to the rest home residents, and canned goods were collected for the Christmas baskets.

The Colorado City Business & Professional Women's Club bulletin named the "Buzzy Bee" was passed out to members before the dinner.

In the bulletin, it was reported that Molly Bruce, Margaret Ann Conaway, Shirley DeLaney, Mildred Free, Nelda Garrett, Ethel Hardegree, Elizabeth Jones, Ida Kirschbaum, La Rue Powell, Nell Shackelford, Mildred Boyd and Faye Spivey attended the recent charter dinner for the newly organized Loraine B&PW Club.

Several of those attending had a part in the candlelight ceremony. The Loraine Club was chartered with 28 members.

Guests for the December dinner meeting were Arnel Smith, Mayme Dozier, Maude Charters, Donna McWhorter, Margie Martin, Libby Ford and JoAnn Hammond.

Members attending the meeting were: Etta Jones, Janis Choate, Virginia Dearan, Nell Shackelford, Louise Havard, Velma Mosely, Thelma Tidwell, Mary Hickman, Barbara Pollard and Faye Spivey.

Also Ida Kirschbaum, Mildred Free, Jean Holbert, Margaret Ann Conaway, Helen Reeves, Margaret Oyler, Wyone Jameson, Aldred Pickens, Mildred Boyd, Kay Kelley, Brenda Simmons, Mary Lee Moore and Elizabeth Jones.

Including Sally Rogers, Nelda Garrett, Diana Finley, Carla Rivera, Shirley DeLaney, Fern Bruce, Rochelle Smith, Lona Pritchett, LaRue Powell, Eillon Burson, Joy Culwell and Erdine Morgan.

Also present were Bessie House, Christine Cooley and Ethel Hardegree.

A gift was presented to Janis Choate during the evening as a going away present.

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,
I want a stretch armstrong.

Judy McCartney



Greetings of the season to all of the wonderful people who visit us throughout the year. We enjoy serving you the finest in foods and beverages.

Penny Lane Restaurant

273 Walnut 728-5561



Thinking about all of our loyal customers this holiday season and wishing them the best for the year to come.

We Will Be Closed Saturday & Sunday December 25 & 26

Fuller Foods

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Peace on Earth



A message of thanks to our wonderful patrons. We want to wish you the warmest wishes for the holiday season.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS



Have a happy holiday season filled with music, laughter, and gaiety. Our sincere best wishes to all of our friends.

STEREO CORRAL

Radio Shack Authorized Dealer

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THE HOME AND FAMILY LIVING group have shared in a cultural tradition of the Spanish homes in which all members take an active and social part of the making of tamales. The 18-member class planned, prepared and served the entire traditional style luncheon of Mexican Foods. Students are from left: Tommy Williams, Ricky Alvarez, Paul Haden, Chanita Garcia and Benita Lopez.



THE REAL MEANING of sharing at Christmas has been real and meaningful to the homemaking classes at Loraine High School this week. The child development class has been host and teacher for the 1st Grade Class in Christmas Cookie projects from making of the dough to the final decoration and making of a cookie tree for party-time sharing. Pictured above are Michael Hallmark, David Sanchez, Jimmy Alvarez, Terry Salmon, and Sarah Munoz (l-r).



Holiday Cheer

We're sure that your Christmas celebration will be a-bloom with festive, happy times.

Mary's Flowers & Gifts

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A Seasonal Greeting to all of our wonderful friends. We want to wish you the very best.

J & J Gulf

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