

Christmases From The Past

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These Dear Santa letters, community Christmas events and advertisement reflect a different time and a different way of life than we now have. This was a time when nuts, fruit and candy seemed like a wonderful Christmas gift and a time when you didn't just think of yourself you asked Santa to remember other members of your family and poor children as well. This is a period of time long gone forever but one that some may yearn for again.

Krum News-January 8, 1916:

Miss Eurna Lamm of the C.I. A. at Denton spent her Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.F. Lamm.

Miss Nannie Wilson of the S.W.C. at Fort Worth is spending her Christmas holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. B.F. Wilson.

Miss Fay Rains spent the Christmas holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rains of Denton.

December 16, 1920

Dear Santa-I am a little girl 8 years old. I want a doll suitcase, handkerchief, candle and some apples, oranges, candy and nuts for Christmas.

Christmas Party for S.S. Class Is Held At Krum Special to Record Chronicle

Krum, Dec 27, 1929- The Willing Workers Sunday School class was delightfully entertained on Dec 23 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Gresham. The house was pretty in Christmas decorations including a Christmas tree. Games were enjoyed. Mrs. Bertie Hutson played at the piano. Arthur Wilson and Gus Egan assisted at the Christmas tree, every one receiving nice presents. The class held a business meeting deciding that the next social would be with Mr. and Mrs. Bertie Hutson at last Friday night in January.

December 27, 1929:

Community Tree

The community Christmas tree held at the Methodist Church Tuesday evening was attended by a large crowd. Presents were provided for 200 children. The programs arranged by Mrs. L.E. Weber and Mrs. Bertie Hutson were enjoyed.

Krum Plans for Christmas Tree

Krum Dec 11, 1930:-The Krum Booster Club is sponsoring a 42 tournament at the I.O.O.F. Hall Thursday night Dec 11. Proceeds will go towards the community Christmas tree fund. A box supper which was postponed by the Plainview school will be held Friday night, Dec 12. Proceeds will go to buy playground equipment.

December 19, 1930

Dear Santa- I am a little girl six years old. I go to school and I love my teacher and my school. I try to learn my lesson each day. Please bring me a doll that will sleep and cry, a washing machine, table and chairs for my doll or anything else you think I should have. I'd like some fruit, nuts and candy. Santa, please remember my brother and sisters and all of my friends. Your little friend-Mae Margaret Hopkins, Krum.

Dear Santa Claus-I am a little girl four years old and I have tried to be a good girl. Please bring me a doll that goes to sleep, a doll trunk with some clothes for my dolly, some dishes so I can cook or anything you think a little girl like me should have. I'd like some fruits, nuts, and candy. Don't forget all of my friends and poor little children; be sure and remember my papa and mamma. With love, Rosa Ruth Hopkins, Krum.

Dear Santa-I am in the fourth grade and like my teacher. Please bring me an air rifle, pair of riding pants, shirt and a pair of gloves or anything you think I can use. I'd like some fruit, nuts and candy. Please remember all of my friends and poor children. Your friend, Herman Herbert Hopkins, Krum.
P.S.-I'd like a ball and mitt.

December 22, 1937

Dear Santa Claus- How are you? I am a little girl 8 years old. I go to Plainview school. I don't want much. Will you bring Jimmie Roy something? I want a piano and a pencil set and a new coat. Bye-Bye Santa. Don't forget us little children. Virginia Katherine Higgs, Krum.

Dear Santa Claus-I am a little boy 7 years old. I would like for you to bring me a little car that has real lights and brakes. I also want a pump air rifle and some fruit, nuts and candy. Please don't forget my mother and daddy, and my sisters and brother. Johnie Hudgins, Krum.

Dear Santa Claus- How are you? Please bring me a little bill fold and a pedal car, and don't forget Charles and Wallace and Dorothy Mae and daddy and mother. Bring us some fruit and nuts and candy and don't forget my teacher. I am in the third grade. Your friend, Billy Jack Hudgins, Krum.

Dear Santa Claus-Christmas time is almost here. I do not want much, but I want a new raincoat and lots of fruit, candy and nuts. Please remember my little brothers and sisters. They want some candy and nuts. My little sister wants a coat and my little brother 3 years old wants a train. Your friend, Doris Collier, Krum.

Dear Santa Claus- I am a little girl 8 years old. I have tried to be a good girl. Will you please bring me a sewing machine set, house slippers, and nuts, candy and some fruit. Please think of my mother, daddy and grandma too. Your little friend, Billie Ann Rickrich, Krum.

Dear Santa Claus- How are you? I wish you would bring me a doll with suitcase and a piano, and bring my little sister a doll with a muff and an accordion, and bring us a top that sings, and bring us some candy and some fruit and some nuts. Your friend, Gloria Bernys Ross, Krum.

December 25, 1949: Ad in Denton Record Chronicle

Christmas Greetings and Best Wishes

As Christmas is here we bring you a wish for every joy and gladness
And a thank you for everything.

C.R. Fowler Hardware, Krum, Texas



